

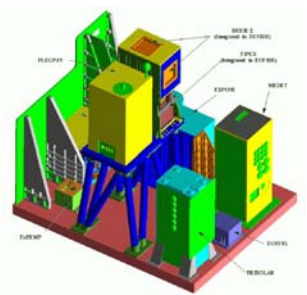
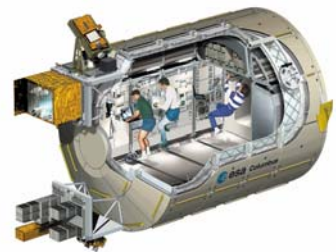
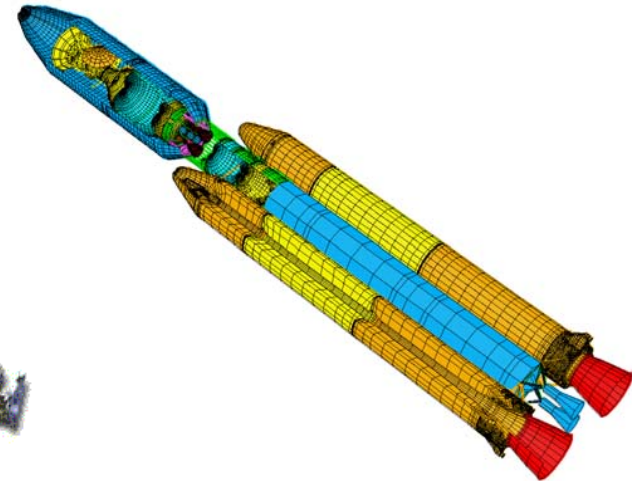
# Some Applications of Nastran DMAP in Aerospace Analysis

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- **What is DMAP?**
- Use of DMAP to Select ASET DOF
- Use of DMAP in dynamic analysis
  - Modal transient analysis
  - Fluid mass loading
- Summary/Free stuff!

# DMAP

- Direct Matrix Abstraction Program
- Fundamental to the way Nastran works
  - All standard solution sequences written in DMAP
  - Solution sequences can be “ALTERed” by adding user defined DMAP
  - Not true for new nonlinear sequences (SOL 601/701) because these are running other codes
- NASA identified DMAP as one of the key features of NASTRAN early on
  - Not originally designed as a “user friendly” programming language
- Community of DMAP programmers has developed over time
  - [nastrandmap](#) on Yahoo Groups
- MSC and NX Nastran DMAP has changed since original COSMIC version
  - Fundamentals are the same
- Some codes with NASTRAN name are not based on DMAP
  - What defines NASTRAN?
- DMAP is a very rich and powerful language, but not for the “faint of heart”
- You can use DMAP alters without knowing DMAP
  - Some rudimentary knowledge is helpful (or entertaining)

# DMAP Documentation

## NX Nastran Version 4.1 Help Library Bookshelf

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- NX Nastran 4.1 Release Guide
- Training and Support
  - UGS Education Services (web)
  - Global Technical Access Center (web)

## NX Nastran 4.0 Documentation \* See the 4.1 Release Guide for all updates related to NX Nastran 4.1

- Previous Release Information
  - NX Nastran 4.0 New Features
  - NX Nastran 3.0 New Features
- Installation and System Administration
  - Installation and Operations Guide
- Reference Manuals
  - Quick Reference Guide
  - NX Nastran User's Guide
  - **DMAP Programmer's Guide**
  - Numerical Methods User's Guide
  - Element Library
  - Nastran Theoretical Manual
  - Error List
- NX Nastran Terminology
  - NX Nastran Glossary
- User Manuals
  - *Aeroelasticity*
    - Aeroelastic Analysis User's Guide
  - *Dynamics*
    - Basic Dynamic Analysis User's Guide
    - Advanced Dynamic Analysis User's Guide
    - Rotor Dynamics User's Guide
  - *Superelements and Substructuring*
    - Superelements User's Guide
  - *Nonlinear Analysis*
    - Basic Nonlinear Analysis User's Guide
    - Advanced Nonlinear Theory and Modeling Guide
    - Handbook of Nonlinear Analysis (SOL 106)
  - *Thermal*
    - Thermal Analysis User's Guide
  - *Optimization*
    - Design Sensitivity and Optimization User's Guide

Detailed descriptions of  
all DMAP modules  
- 100's of modules

# DMAP Syntax

MODULE Input\_Datablocks,.../Output\_Datablocks,.../Parameters/...

Examples:

ADD A,B/C/ALPHA/BETA/IOPT  $[C] = \alpha[A](+, \otimes, \div)\beta[B]$

MPYAD A,B,C/X/T/SIGNAB/SIGNC/PREC/FORM  $[X] = \pm[A]^{(T)}[B] \pm [C]$

SOLVE A,B,SIL,USET,PARTVEC/X/SYM/SIGN/SETNAME  $[X] = \pm[A]^{-1}[B]$

MATPRN A,B,C,D,E//

MESSAGE //P1/P2/.../PN

OUTPUT4 A,B,C,D,E//ITAPE/IUNIT//BIGMAT/DIGITS

# DMAP Offers Common Logic Constructs

- IF THEN, ELSE, ENDIF  
IF ( SEID>0 ) THEN \$  
...  
ELSE \$  
...  
ENDIF \$
- DO WHILE, ENDDO  
DO WHILE ( I<N ) \$  
...  
ENDDO \$

# DMAP Controlled by Parameters

- Parameters values are defined by user on PARAM cards in bulk data or case control
  - Real, complex, integer, logical or character
- Use parameters to control execution of DMAP
  - Character values ('YES' or 'NO') where possible
  - Set up reasonable default values
  - Clearly comment use of parameters
- Echo back values of parameters using MESSAGE module
- User interaction with DMAP should be through parameters as much as possible

# DMAP Can be Used to “Alter” Solution Sequences

- Most common use of DMAP
- Take an existing solution sequence (e.g. modal transient) and modify some part of its operation
- DMAP is “inserted” in a specified location in the solution sequence
- Three ways to alter solution sequence
  - Alter line number; insert at a specified line number
  - String based alter; insert after a specified string
  - MALTER; insert after limited predefined locations
- DMAP is the language, DMAP alter (or alter) is set of DMAP code that modifies a solution sequence



# Using a Line or String Based Alter

- Line based alter  
COMPILE PHASE1DR LIST  
ALTER 152 \$  
MATPRN KGG// \$
- String based alter  
COMPILE PHASE1DR LIST  
ALTER 'CALL PHASE1A' \$  
MATPRN KGG// \$
- String based alters are much more robust from version to version

# Using a MALTER Based Alter

- MALTER will search through entire solution sequence for a string
  - Designed to look for specific “MALTER” strings
  - Does not require a COMPILE card
  - COMPILE options set on a “COMPILER” card
- Very coarse ability to alter solution sequence
- I have not used MALTER much
  - Old habits die hard
  - “Real DMAPers” don’t do MALTER ;-)

```
SOL 101
```

```
COMPILER LIST
```

```
MALTER 'MALTER:AFTER SUPERELEMENT STIFFNESS GENERATION'
```

```
MATPRN KJJZ// $
```



# USERDMAP Provides Simple Means to Develop User DMAPs

- Very simple 1 line solution sequence that just runs PREFACE SUBDMAP
  - Reads Case Control and Bulk Data and generates standard datablocks (GEOMi, CASECC, etc.)
  - You can access datablocks already on the database if this is a restart run
- Following are equivalent:

```
ALTER 2  
ALTER 'CALL PREFACE'  
MALTER '$USERDMAP - AFTER CALL PREFACE'
```
- SOL 100 and SOL USERDMAP are equivalent

# Summary of DMAP

- DMAP is a matrix oriented programming language
- All “standard” Nastran is based on DMAP
- To use DMAP effectively you need to understand:
  - Structure of solution sequences
  - Nastran data blocks and parameters
  - DMAP documentation
- DMAP alters are easy to use IFF:
  - String based to make robust
  - Use parameters to control
  - Are well commented

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# Why is Selecting ASET DOF Important?

- ASET DOF used for Guyan Reduction
  - Master DOF in I-DEAS
- Accuracy of reduction very sensitive to choice of DOF
- Reduced matrices used in comparing test and analysis models (TAMs)

$$[M_{AA}] = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ G_{OA} \end{bmatrix}^T [M_{FF}] \begin{bmatrix} I \\ G_{OA} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[G_{OA}] = -[K_{OO}]^{-1}[K_{OO}]$$

# DOF Selected Using Iterative Residual Kinetic Energy Algorithm

- Good Guyan reduction results in orthogonal modes up to frequency range of interest

$$\varepsilon = \left[ [I] - [\Phi_A]^T [M_{AA}] [\Phi_A] \right]$$

- Define Residual Kinetic Energy as grid point KE associated with error in expanded mode

$$RKE = [M_{oo}] \left( [\Phi_o] - [G_{oA}] [\Phi_A] \right) \otimes \left( [\Phi_o] - [G_{oA}] [\Phi_A] \right)$$

- Iterative Residual Kinetic Energy (IRKE) starts with small ASET and adds DOF one or more at a time based on RKE
- Error calculated at each step. Algorithm stopped when error reaches acceptable level

# DMAP is ideal tool for implementing IRKE

- Need to deal with full size matrices
  - Possibly millions of DOF
  - Problem would not be feasible in Matlab
- Key to efficient implementation is to avoid solving  $[K_{OO}]^{-1}[K_{OA}]$  at each iteration
- Use 'U1' set to limit DOF to choose from
- Write error norm at each step to monitor progress
- Other algorithms implemented in DMAP
  - Effective Independence (EI)
  - Mass Weighted Effective Independence (MWEI)
  - Iterative Guyan Reduction (IGR)
- Part of a package of DMAP alters called TAMKIT



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# A DMAP Example

- Correct “Deficiencies” in Modal Transient Analysis
  - Start from a quasi-static initial condition
  - Include only flexible contribution to displacement outputs
  - Static and Dynamic Uncertainty Factors (SUF and DUF)
  - Conversion of structural to viscous damping

# Initial Conditions

- Modal transient does not support initial conditions
  - Initial force treated as a step
  - IC Case Control allows some capability, but not practical
- Input force can be decomposed as follows:

$$[I]\{\ddot{x}(t)\} + [B]\{\dot{x}(t)\} + [\Lambda]\{q(t)\} = [\Phi_A]^T ((\{f_A(t)\} - \{f_A(t_0)\}) + \{f_A(t_0)\})$$

- Quasi-static response defined as follows:

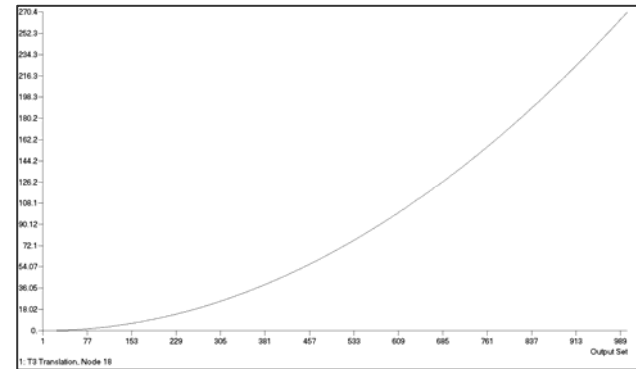
$$\{\ddot{x}_{RB}\} = [\Phi_A]_{RB}^T \{f_A(t_0)\} \quad \{q_{RB}\} = \{0\}$$

$$\{\ddot{x}_{EL}\} = \{0\} \quad \{q_{EL}\} = [\Lambda_{EL}]^{-1} [\Phi_A]_{EL}^T \{f_A(t_0)\}$$

- Subtract initial forces from force time history and calculate response
- Add quasi-static response to initial forces back in

# Remove Rigid Body Displacements

- Typically not interested in rigid body displacements
  - Rigid body displacements “swamp” flexible displacements
  - Only flexible displacements generate loads
  - Including rigid body displacements results in inaccurate loads
  - Can do this using PARAM,LFREQ, but that also gets rid of rigid body accelerations
- Solution is to simply set rigid body displacements to zero



$$\{q_{RB}(t)\} = \{0\}$$

# Apply SUF and DUF

- Uncertainty factors commonly used in coupled loads analysis
  - Occasionally desire different factors on quasi-static (SUF) vs. dynamic (DUF) parts of response

- Quasi-static response defined as follows:

$$\{\ddot{x}_{RB}(t)\}_{QS} = [\Phi_A]_{RB}^T \{f_A(t)\} \quad \{q_{RB}(t)\}_{QS} = \{0\}$$

$$\{\ddot{x}_{EL}(t)\}_{QS} = \{0\} \quad \{q_{EL}(t)\}_{QS} = [\Lambda_{EL}]^{-1} [\Phi_A]_{EL}^T \{f_A(t)\}$$

- Dynamic response is total response minus quasi-static

$$\{\ddot{x}(t)\}_{DYN} = \{\ddot{x}(t)\} - \{\ddot{x}(t)\}_{QS} \quad \{q(t)\}_{DYN} = \{q(t)\} - \{q(t)\}_{QS}$$

- Total response recombined with factors

$$\{\ddot{x}(t)\} = DUF \{\ddot{x}(t)\}_{DYN} + SUF \{\ddot{x}(t)\}_{QS}$$

$$\{q(t)\} = DUF \{q(t)\}_{DYN} + SUF \{q(t)\}_{QS}$$

# Equivalent Viscous Damping

- Structural (or material or hysteretic) damping is only defined in the frequency domain

$$[K] = [K] + j([K4] + g[K])$$

- Nastran converts structural damping to equivalent viscous at two frequencies (W3 and W4)

$$[B] = \frac{g}{\omega^3} [K] + \frac{1}{\omega^4} [K4]$$

- In modal space we can match damping ratio at all modal resonances

$$[B_{HH}] = g [K_{HH}]^{\frac{1}{2}} + [K_{HH}]^{-\frac{1}{4}} [K4_{HH}] [K_{HH}]^{-\frac{1}{4}}$$

# Implementation in DMAP

- Use Parameters to Control Solution
  - All parameters have defaults
  - User only needs alter and parameters

```
$ PARAM,NRIG,I           : Number of rigid body modes (default=6)
$ PARAM,AUTOIC,CHAR8    : 'YES' calculate initial conditions (default)
$                       : 'NO' standard Nastran processing
$ PARAM,EQVDMP,CHAR8   : 'YES' apply equivalent damping algorithm
$                       : 'NO' standard Nastran (default)
$ PARAM,RBDISP,CHAR8   : 'YES' include rigid body displacements
$                       : 'NO' no rigid body displacements (default)
$ PARAM,NORESV,CHAR8   : 'YES' remove residual vectors from dynamic response (default)
$                       : 'NO' do not remove residual vectors from dynamic response
$ PARAM,DUF,RS         : Dynamic Uncertainty Factor (default = 1.0)
$ PARAM,SUF,RS         : Static Uncertainty Factor (default = 1.0)
```

- Use string based alter commands
  - Minimize number of locations that are “altered”
  - Try to find “robust” locations for alters
  - Hasn’t broken yet

# Enhancements to MFLUID

- Fluid mass matrix based on elemental matrices

$$\left[ M_{fluid} \right] = \left[ GEG \right] \left[ MLAM \right] \left[ MCHI \right]^{-1} \left[ GEG \right]^T$$

- Use non-sparse decomposition of  $\left[ MCHI \right]$
- Calculate fluid rigid body mass

$$\left[ M_{fluid} \right]_{RB} = \left[ \Phi_{RB} \right]^T \left[ M_{fluid} \right] \left[ \Phi_{RB} \right]$$

- When used with a “Q-set” replaces functionality of PARAM,VMOPT,2 in a competitive version of Nastran



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# Summary

- DMAP is a primary differentiator for Nastran vs. other FEM codes
- All NX Nastran (other than advanced nonlinear) is written in DMAP and can be modified using DMAP
- To write DMAP alters you need to understand Nastran data blocks and solution sequences
- Using DMAP is easy if it's written well
  - Use string based alters for robustness
  - Use parameters to control
  - Comment, comment, comment

# Free Stuff (DMAP alters) on CD!

- modal\_transient
  - Variety of updates to SOL112
- mfluid
  - Calculate fluid mass properties
- readcb
  - Read components in OUTPUT4 format
- unit\_conversion
  - Convert units of components
- rcvrcb109
  - Recover component results from direct transient