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# USS SCOUT (MCM 8) Results of **Standardization, Locked and Trailed Shaft Trials**

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# USS SCOUT (MCM 8)

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#### **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

As of January **1992,** the David Taylor Research Center (DTRC) became the Carderock Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center (CARDEROCKDIV, **NSWC).** However, throughout this report CARDEROCKDIV, **NSWC** will be referred to as DTRC. The trials described herein were requested **by** the Naval Sea Systems Command **(NAVSEA),** PMS **303.** This work was authorized **by** Work Request N0002491WR21362 of **26** March **1991.** The trials discussed in this report were conducted **by** David Taylor Research Center (DTRC) representatives and funded under DTRC Work Unit **1523-618.**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The information contained within this report was previously reported in a report of higher classification.\*

Standardization, locked and trailed shaft, acceleration and deceleration, and fuel economy trials were conducted on **USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** at **AUTEC,** Andros Island, Bahamas, on 14 through **17** June **1991.** The objective of the SCOUT standardization, locked and trailed shaft trials was to determine the

**<sup>\*</sup>** Klitsch, Michael **L.** and Liu, Wayne P., David Taylor Research Center, as reported in DTRC-**91/022,** a report of higher classification.

speed/powering relationship of **USS AVENGER** (MCM **1)** class ships equipped with the Isotta-Fraschini engines. Acceleration/deceleration trials on **SCOUT** evaluated the acceleration and deceleration characteristics of **AVENGER** class ships equipped with the fluid drive couplings. Fuel economy characteristics of the Isotta Fraschini engines were also evaluated. The acceleration/deceleration **trials** and the fuel economy trials are discussed in separate reports.

Isotta Fraschini diesel engines and Voith fluid drive couplings have been installed on MCM 3 and follow-on ships of the **AVENGER** class of minesweepers. These ships are powered **by** four Isotta Fraschini diesel engines; each engine has 6 cylinders, a maximum speed of **1800** r/min and is rated at **600 bhp** (450 kW). The fluid drive couplings allow a maximum propeller shaft speed of **176** r/min and have about a 2% speed loss **at** top speed when compared to mechanical couplings.

Waukesha diesel engines and mechanical drive couplings were installed on MCM **I** and 2. The Waukesha engines are rated at **600 bhp** (450 kW) and 2,000 r/min. The mechanical drive couplings allowed a maximum shaft speed of **180** r/min. Performance trials have previously been conducted on **USS AVENGER** (MCM **1)** and those results are reported in a document of higher classification.\*

**USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** is the eighth ship of the **USS AVENGER** (MCM **1)** class of **U.S.** Navy mine countermeasure ships. **SCOUT** was built **by** Peterson Builders, Inc., Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin. The ship's keel was laid on **8** June **1987** and the ship was commissioned on **15** December **1990. SCOUT** is driven **by** two Bird-Johnson controllable pitch propellers and is powered **by** four Isotta Fraschini diesel engines (two engines per shaft). The ship has Voith fluid drive couplings. SCOUT's design displacement is **1,310** tons **(1,330 t).** Detailed information regarding the ship and propeller shaft characteristics of **SCOUT** are shown in Table **1.** Table 2 lists SCOUTs principal propeller characteristics.

This report contains only results of the MCM **8** standardization and locked and trailed shaft trials. The main text of the report is divided into the following four sections:

- **"** Instrumentation,
- **"** Trial Conditions,
- **"** Trial Procedures, and
- **"** Results.

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**\*** Lapeyre, **J.P.,** David Taylor Research Center, as reported in DTRC-90/018, a report of higher classification.

Standardization trial results are presented first followed **by** the results of the locked and trailed shaft trials. Conclusions and recommendations are also presented. This report also contains several detailed appendices which are referenced in the text.

#### **INSTRUMENTATION AND DATA COLLECTION**

Trial data were collected from DTRC instrumentation and existing ship signals. These signals and their accuracies are listed in Table **3.** The block diagram of the routing of the signals is shown in Fig. **1. A** description of the DTRC instrumentation and existing ship signals can be found in Appendix **A.**

As shown in Fig. **1,** trial signals were routed from their respective sources to either synchro to analog **(S/A)** converters, frequency to voltage **(FV)** converters, or amplifiers. The signals were then channeled into a Hewlett Packard data acquisition unit (HP **3852A).** This unit converted analog signals to digital signals. The digital signals from the data acquisition unit were then recorded on **3.5** in. **(8.9** cm) disc storage drives (HP **9122)** and analyzed with a Hewlett Packard computer (HP **300).** Hard copy printouts of the data analysis were provided with an HP line printer.

Figure **1** shows a Global Positioning System **(GPS)** which was interfaced with DTRC instrumentation during the trials. This system was installed **by** DTRC on an experimental basis for the purpose of evaluating it for future tracking applications. **GPS** position and speed data were collected during the trials whenever adequate satellite coverage was present.

#### **TRIAL LOCATION AND CONDITIONS**

Trials were conducted on **SCOUT** 14 **through 17 June 1991 at AUTEC,** Andros Island, Bahamas using a Motorola Falcon 484 pulse radar system. **A** diagram of the pulse radar tracking area at **AUTEC** is shown in Fig. 2. Geodetic specifics of the tracking site at **AUTEC** are presented in Appendix B.

Sea states during the trial were observed to be ideal and were between **0** and **1.** True wind speeds were less than **15** kn and generally from an easterly direction. Trial site seawater temperature and specific gravity were relatively constant each day of the trials and were measured to be 82°F (28°C) and **1.026,** respectively. Table 4 presents the various trial conditions observed on the tracking area during the trial period.

The average ship displacement and trim during each day of the trials was determined **by** using draft readings, water temperature, specific gravity, and ship's fuel tank readings. As shown below the displacement and **trim** of **SCOUT** during the trials was observed to be:



Table 4 contains a more detailed list of the trial conditions. **The** details of determining ship's displacement for each day of the trials can be found in Appendix **C.**

Both propellers were cleaned of barnacles **by** divers in the water at Nassau, Bahamas **13** June **1991.** Upon completion of the propeller cleaning, DTRC divers inspected the propellers and took hull and propeller roughness readings. The diver inspection and roughness measurements showed the hull and propellers to be in satisfactory condition for the trials. The diver inspection and the roughness measurements are discussed in Appendix **E.**

#### **GENERAL TRIAL** PROCEDURES

The standardization and locked and trail shaft trials were conducted on a pulse radar tracking range to determine ship's position. Each maneuver was commenced after steady approach conditions were established; this ensured validity of comparison for data analysis. Shaft torque, shaft speed, ship speed, and position were monitored during the buildup for each run.

The DTRC Trial Director was informed **by** the Officer of the Deck when ship's heading and shaft speed had been brought to the scheduled values. Rudder movements were minimized at this time. The Trial Director and/or computer operator were then responsible for verifying those conditions with DTRC instrumentation. Ship speed was utilized as the final indicator of steady conditions since shaft speed stabilized well before the ship's momentum. The rate of ship speed change was monitored with shipboard DTRC tracking equipment.

After conditions were steadied, each maneuver was conducted with the basic commands of COMEX, **EXECUTE,** and FINEX. These commands were given **by** the trial director and the corresponding actions were quickly implemented **by** the Officer of the Deck. Described below are the general actions associated with each command.

**COMEX** initiated DTRC data collection. Steady approach conditions were maintained for one minute after this con mand.

**EXECUTE** signaled, for some maneuvers, the start of the transient portion of the run. **EXECUTE** marked the point of engine order change for acceleration/decelerations runs and rudder deflection for tactical turns. For the standardization and locked and trailed shaft runs, approach conditions were maintained for three more minutes when **EXECUTE** was called.

Time zero was defined as **EXECUTE** for all maneuvers.

**FINEX** marked the conclusion of the run and data collection. The criterion for FINEX varied with each maneuver.

More detailed descriptions of the procedures, such as approach conditions, **FINEX** criterion, pitch control modes, and definitive diagrams of each maneuver, are found in Appendix F.

#### **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION** OF **RESULTS**

Results of the trials on **USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** are presented below with graphical and tabulated data used to support discussions. Discussions are ordered as follows: standardization trials are followed **by** the locked and trailed shaft trials.

#### STANDARDIZATION

SCOUT standardization trials were conducted on 15 June 1991 at a displacement of 1,293 ton (1,314 t). These trials evaluated speed/powering characteristics at 92%, 103% (design), 110%, and 120% propeller pitch. All standardization runs were conducted with

- All four engines on line,
- Both shafts driving, and
- Manual control for pitch scheduling.

The results of the standardization trials conducted on SCOUT are graphically presented in Figs. 3 through 6 and are tabulated in Tables 5 through 10.

#### Standardization Figures

Figures 3 and 4 represent the English and metric Standardization curves and show the shaft speed, and torque and power required to achieve a particular ship speed at each propeller pitch. Figures 5 and 6 represent English and metric plots of torque versus shaft speed for each propeller pitch. These figures will be used to support discussions on the following observations:

- Optimum pitch and
- Propulsion efficiency.

Optimum Pitch. Figures 5 and 6 show that the optimum driving propeller pitch was 110%. Output at the 92% and 103% pitch conditions could achieve design shaft speed (176 r/min) but without fully developing design torque (34,400 ft-lb [46,600 N-m]). Conversely output at the 120% condition achieved design torque without developing design shaft speed. Note that 110% was the only condition where both design shaft speed and design torque were reached. This explains the higher speed and power output at the 110% pitch condition. By adjusting the design pitch of the program control mode to 110% instead of 100%, more ship speed and shaft power can be extracted from the engines. This observation is in agreement with the standardization conclusions of Ref. 1.

Propulsion Efficiency. The power curves in Figs. 3 and 4 show that 120% pitch results in less efficient propulsion than observed at the 92%, 103%, and 110% conditions. Note that data collected at 120% fall on a different and distinct power curve. The three data points at 120% pitch show that SCOUT requires more power to attain a given speed than it would when operating in the 92% to 110%

propeller pitch range. **The** average shaft speed and torque curves of Figs. 3 and 4 show that a given speed and power can be achieved **by** a higher torque and lower shaft speed condition (over pitch condition) or **by** a lower torque and a higher shaft speed condition (under pitch condition). For the conditions tested this statement holds true for propeller pitch ranges between **92%** and **110%,** but not for 120%.

#### **Standardization Data Tables**

Standardization trials data are tabulated in Tables **5** through **10.** English and metric standardization data, with both shafts driving at an average propeller pitch of **103%,** are listed in Tables **5** and **6,** respectively. English and metric standardization data, with both shafts driving at an average propeller pitch of **110%,** are listed in Tables **7** and **8,** respectively. English and metric standardization data, with both shafts driving at an average propeller pitch of 120% and **92%,** are listed in Tables **9** and **10,** respectively.

Each table contains the true wind speed and direction, shaft speed, shaft torque, shaft power, propeller pitch, and ship's speed. Data plotted in Figs. **3** through **6** are tabulated as spot averages. The spot average could consist of either a two-pass spot (where the data of two reciprocal passes is averaged) or a three-pass spot (where the mean of means method is used on three reciprocal passes). These twoor three-pass spot averages are required to eliminate the effects of wind, waves, and current.

Standardization data table (Tables **5** through **10)** contents and headings are discussed below to further clarify the results and will conclude the discussion on standardization trial results. The following specifics will be addressed:

- Maximum Conditions.
- Ship's Speed,
- Propeller Pitch,
- Shaft Torque, and
- Data Repeatability.

**Maximum Conditions.** Tables 5 through **10** show that the maximum speed/powering conditions attained for **SCOUT,** at each of the four propeller pitches tested, are as follows:



The highest ship speed (14.21 kn) and total shaft power **(2,260** shp **[1,690** kW]) was attained at 110% pitch. Maximum power output was within **98.3%** of the rated power output of **2,300** shp **(1,720** kW). Note that the **110%** setting provides **230** more shp **(11%** more) and **0.31** kn more speed than observed at the near design pitch of **103%.**

Ship's Speed. The data tables have a range speed column and an EM Log speed column. The range speed is the speed over the ground for each pass and the speed through the water for the data **spot.** The EM Log speed is the speed through the water.

The spot average range speed and the spot average EM Log speed show reasonable correlation. This topic is further discussed in Appendix **A.**

Propeller Pitch. The propeller pitch output signal used to present the data shown in the tables was calibrated pierside **by** divers. Propeller pitch variations due to temperature changes and shaft thrust were negligible for these trials. **A** more in depth discussion of the propeller pitch is included in Appendix **D.**

Shaft Torque. Torque was obtained by Wireless Data Corporation (WDC) torsionmeters installed by DTRC personnel. These were temporary trial torsionmeters and operated satisfactorily throughout the trials period.

**Data** Regeatabiity. Repeatability of the speed/powering data can be seen in Tables 5 and **6.** Runs **2130S,** 2140N and **2150S** were conducted 24 hours after runs **1130S,** 1140N, and **1150S.** Both data spots represent full power conditions at **103%** pitch. Note that speed and powering data from each spot are nearly identical and are practically indistinguishable on Figs. **3** and 4.

#### LOCKED AND TRAILED SHAFT TRIALS

SCOUT locked and trailed shaft trials were conducted on 16 June **1991** at a displacement of **1,285** tons **(1,306 t).** These trials were conducted with: two engines on the driving shaft andprogram control for pitch scheduling.

Speed/powering characteristics were evaluated at the following single shaft driving conditions:



The results of the locked and trail shaft trials conducted on **SCOUT** are graphically presented in Figs. **7** and **8** and are tabulated in Tables **11** and 12.

#### **Locked** and Trailed Shaft **Figures**

**Maximum Conditions.** The maximum speed/powering conditions achieved for each of the four configurations are presented below:



**\*** Starboard shaft was not windmilling at **8%** trailing pitch.

Figures 7 and 8 show that the top speed of 10.34 kn was achieved in configuration C and that other configurations required more power to reach slower speeds. Configuration C drove at 119% pitch and trailed at 120% pitch; however, this configuration, along with the others evaluated, does not appear to offer the optimum locked/trailed shaft conditions. An optimum configuration can be deduced by comparing changes in ship speed, shaft speed, and torque resulting from different driving and locked/trailed shaft pitches.

Otimum Driving **Pitch.** The most efficient driving pitch observed in the locked or trailed shaft mode was 105%. Figure 7 shows that the design configuration **A,** by driving at 105%, developed more power and speed at its maximum condition than did configuration B when driving at 119%. The 105% driving pitch also developed design torque while achieving a shaft speed of 170.1 r/min (97.2% of design). By driving at a pitch slightly less than 105% (100% - 103%), the design shaft speed of 176 r/min and design torque will both likely be achieved during locked or trailed shaft operations. Note that this optimum driving pitch is less than the 110% observed during standardization with two shafts driving. This may be attributed to the difference in propeller inflows between single and twin shaft driving conditions.

**ontimum Trailed Pitch, The** most efficient trailing pitch in the trail shaft mode can be seen to be 120%. Figure 7 shows a large speed/power difference between configuration B, which trailed at the design trail pitch of **8%,** and configuration **C** which trailed at 120%. While both configurations drove at **119%** pitch, the effect of trailing at 120% results in a speed increase of about **1.3 kn.** As shown in

Tables **11** and 12, the shaft does not windmill when **trailing** at **8%; by** increasing the **trailing** pitch to 120%, the shaft windmills and ship speed is increased while the driving shaft develops less torque.

Locked Pitch. Locking a shaft at 120% pitch provides no significant difference in speed or power when compared to locking a shaft at the normal lock shaft pitch of **8%.** Figure **7** shows that configuration B, which trails the shaft at **8%** pitch (this was not enough pitch for the shaft to windmill making it an essentially locked shaft), produces the same speed/power characteristics as configuration **D,** which locks the shaft at 120%. It was noted that during the locked shaft trials with the propeller pitch at 120%, shaft torque on the locked shaft was insignificant as it never exceeded **6,000 lb-ft (8,100** N-m). The **6,000 lb-ft (8,100** N-m) load represents less than 20% of the design limit.

#### **Locked and Trailed Shaft Trial Data Tables**

Locked and trailed shaft trials data, English and metric units, are presented in Tables **11** and 12, respectively. Each table contains the true wind speed and direction, shaft speed, shaft torque, shaft power, propeller pitch, and ship's speed. The data for each pass are listed and the spot average for the corresponding passes is listed.

Locked or trailed shaft data for total shaft power, total shaft torque, and average shaft speed consist solely of measurements from the driving shaft. Further discussion on the measurement of table specifics such as propeller pitch, ship speed, and shaft torque can be found in the standardization section.

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

- **1.** Standardization trials showed **that:**
	- a. The maximum speed and powering conditions achieved during two shaft/four engine operations were the following:



- **b.** The optimum pitch for two shaft/four engine operations is **110%.** This pitch represents the only condition at which maximum torque and maximum shaft speed was achieved.
- c. **110%** propeller pitch delivers **11%** more power and **0.31 kn** more speed at Ahead Flank than the near design pitch of **103%.**
- **d.** 120% propeller pitch results in off-peak propulsion efficiency and delivers less ship speed when compared to the **92%, 103%,** and **110%** pitches for the same power.
- 2. Lock and Trail shaft trials showed that:
	- a. Maximum speed for trail shaft trials was achieved at the following conditions:



- **b.** The most efficient driving pitch observed was **105%.** Design torque and **170.1** r/min **(97.2%** of design shaft speed) were achieved at this condition.
- c. The optimum trailing pitch was 120%. This pitch allowed the shaft to windmill; this increased ship speed **by** about **1** kn throughout the speed range when compared to similar driving conditions with less pitch on the trailing shaft. Trailing a shaft at **8%** pitch did not windmill the shaft.
- **d.** No appreciable difference in speed/powering was found between **runs** conducted with a shaft locked at 120% pitch and a shaft trailed at **8%** pitch **(8%** pitch was not enough pitch for the shaft to windmill making it an essentially locked shaft).

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The following recommendations are made for obtaining the maximum performance on **SCOUT:**

- **1.** Set the program control design pitch for two shaft/four engine operations at **110%** for optimum speed and power characteristics.
- 2. Avoid operating at 120% propeller pitch as it delivers off-peak speed/powering characteristics.
- **3.** Set the driving shaft pitch at **105%** during locked or trailed shaft operations.
- 4. Set the trailed shaft pitch at 120% in order to windmill the shaft during trailed shaft operations.
- **5.** Set the locked shaft pitch at any convenient value as it has little impact on locked shaft speed/powering characteristics.

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Fig. 1. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) instrumentation block diagram.



**Fig.** 2. Tracking range, **AUTEC,** Andros Island, Bahamas.



Fig. 3. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) standardization trial results - 1,293 tons (English units).



Fig. 4. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) standardization trial results - 1,314 tonnes (metric units).



Fig. 5. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) torque versus shaft speed for standardization trial results - 1,293 tons (English units).



Fig. 6. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) torque versus shaft speed for standardization trial results - 1,314 tonnes (metric units).



Fig. 7. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) locked and trailed shaft trial results - 1,285 tons (English units).



Fig. 8. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) locked and trailed shaft trial results - 1,306 tonnes (metric units).



**Table 1. USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** principal ship and propeller shaft characteristics.

# Table 2. **USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** principal propeller characteristics.





#### **Table 3. USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** measurement accuracies.

**•** Least detectable change in measurement.

**•\*\*** At full scale, the units are **ft-lb** (N-m).

**• \*\*** When calibrated.



**Table** 4. **USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** standardization and locked and trailed shaft trial conditions.

Table 5. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) standardization trial results, both shafts driving, 103% pitch, 15 June 1991 (English units).



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Table 6. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) standardization trial results, both shafts driving, 103% pitch, 15 June 1991 (metric units).



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Table 7. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) standardization trial results, both shafts driving, 110% pitch, 15 June 1991 (English units).



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Table 8. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) standardization trial results, both shafts driving, 110% pitch, 15 June 1991 (metric units).







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# **APPENDIX A INSTRUMENTATION**

**A description** of the **DTRC** instrumentation and existing ship signals on **SCOUT** are discussed below. This section of the report is divided into the following subsections: introduction, ship's position, ship's speed **by** EM Log, heading and rudder, relative wind, propeller pitch, shaft torque, shaft speed, and shaft power.

#### INTRODUCTION

The measurements taken on each run during the trials were: ship's position, EM log speed, ship's heading, rudder position, relative wind speed, relative wind direction, propeller pitch, propeller pitch control system oil temperature and pressure, shaft torque, and shaft speed. Measurements were collected via a Hewlett Packard (HP) data acquisition unit and an HP computer. When appropriate, the measurements were converted to analog voltages prior to entering the data acquisition unit. The computer calculated the run averages as well as the maximum and minimum values. The data were also converted into engineering units and displayed in a hard copy format as output from a line printer. Figure **1** shows the data acquisition system used on **SCOUT.**

## **SHIP'S POSITION**

Ship based DTRC pulse radar equipment (Motorola Falcon **IV)** tracked the ship's position with respect to two shore based reference points. Distances from the ship to each of the shore sites were used to calculate the ship's position on a coordinate system defined **by** the shore sites. **A** more complete description of the tracking range and coordinates can be found in Appendix B.

The Motorola Falcon system provided a real time display of ship position, and coupled with other computer driven equipment, supplied an instantaneous analysis of ship speed and maneuvering characteristics. Calibration of the tracking equipment is also described in Appendix B.

### **SHIP'S SPEED** BY EM **LOG**

EM Log speed was recorded **by** tapping into the ship's EM Log synchro signal. The ship's EM Log measures speed **by** in water track. Therefore, the EM Log speed is the ship's speed through the water.

**A** plot of the ship's EM Log speed versus the range speed for each data spot is shown in Fig. **A. 1.** The data for this graph are the spot average speeds and are thus a comparison of speed through the water.

#### **HEADING AND** RUDDER

Ship's heading and rudder position were recorded using ship's synchro signals. These **three** phase, 60-cycle, signals were converted to analog voltages using a synchro to analog **(S/A)** converter. The analog voltages were then sent to the computer via the data acquisition unit.

### RELATIVE WIND

Relative wind speed and direction were recorded using a wind anemometer provided **by** DTRC. This anemometer was mounted on the ship's anchor light mast. Analog voltages from the anemometer were input to the computer as described above. Calculations were made, using the relative wind speed and direction along with the ship's speed and heading, to determine true wind speed and direction.

#### PROPELLER PITCH

Propeller pitch voltages were recorded using the analog signal from the shaped potentiometer located at the **OD** box. Propeller pitch voltage was calibrated against actual blade positions **by** divers in the water using a DTRC designed protractor and a Bird-Johnson pitch scale. An extensive description of this procedure and the calibration is included in Appendix **D.**

Propeller pitch control system hydraulic oil temperature data were collected **by** the ship's force reading the temperature gage on the hydraulic oil power module (HOPM) and with a DTRC installed wrap-around temperature gage on the return oil line. The analog voltages provided **by** each shaped potentiometer were input to the computer via the data acquisition **unit.**

It is noted that no synchronization problems between port and starboard shaft speed or pitch were observed during any acceleration or deceleration runs on **SCOUT.**

## SHAFT TORQUE

Torque data were collected from the DTRC installed Wireless Data Corporation (WDC) 1645 torsionmeter system. These signals were provided to the computer via the data acquisition unit.

The WDC 1645 torsionmeter system is a strain gage bridge monitoring system. One system was mounted on each propulsion shaft on the spool spacer between a flexible coupling and the reduction gears. Two carrier rings were clamped on each spool section and were used to transmit the torque on the shaft to a sensor bar. **The** sensor bar is a sealed metal tube containing a strain gage bridge which produces a voltage directly proportional to the deflection of the bar. **A** stationary electronics unit provided voltage and current to drive the rotating electronics and strain gage bridge. The output of the bridge was provided to a rotating low power transmitter. The transmitter signal was received, demodulated, and conditioned **by** the stationary unit, thus producing an analog voltage proportional to torque. These voltages were provided to the computer via the data acquisition unit.

The spool spacer shaft section on **SCOUT** is made of a cast nonferrous copper alloy **#953.** Nonuniformity throughout the spool spacer due to the casting process, causes inconsistencies in the modulus of rigidity from shaft to shaft. Therefore, the modulus of rigidity for each spool spacer shaft section was determined from static load tests conducted at Peterson Builders, Inc. in March **1989.**

The WDC torque measurement system was calibrated **by** subjecting the sensor bar to precise displacement increments. These displacements were related to shaft torque **by** known shaft properties such as outside diameter, inside diameter, and modulus of rigidity. These particular properties for the shaft sections where the WDC torque measurement systems were mounted are shown in Table **1.**

#### SHAFT **SPEED**

Shaft rotational speed (r/min) was obtained using an infrared light sensor mounted adjacent to each shaft. **A** mylar band was wrapped around and secured to each shaft. Attached to this band were **60** equally-spaced pieces of reflective tape. As the shaft rotated, a pulse was generated each time a tape strip passed the sensor. The pulses were generated at a frequency directly proportional to shaft speed. This pulse train was converted to an analog voltage with a frequency to voltage **(FN)** converter. These voltages were fed to the computer via the data acquisition unit.

#### SHAFT POWER

Shaft horsepower was determined from the measured shaft speed and shaft torque. It was calculated **by** multiplying the shaft speed (in r/min) **by** the shaft torque (in **lb-ft)** and dividing that result **by** the constant **5,252.**



Fig. A.1. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) EM Log speed versus average range speed.

# **APPENDIX B PULSE RADAR TRACKING RANGE AT AUTEC**

Tracking for the Performance and Special Trials was accomplished with shipboard pulse radar equipment and two shore based reference sites located on Andros Island in the Bahamas. The range and the locations of the shore based transponders can be found on Fig. 2.

**The** total operating area of the trial site measured approximately **10 by** 13 miles, with water depths of about **1000** fathoms. The optimum tracking zone is depicted on Fig. 2 as a rectangle with dimensions of 4 **by** 4 nautical miles. **All** runs requiring tracking were conducted about this rectangle. Geodetic data pertinent to the tracking range is shown below:



These coordinate data were developed from tracking equipment calibrated between the surveyed towers at site **1** and site 2. The surveyed coordinate **daa,** provided **by** range personnel, showed a known baseline distance of 25,640 **yd** between the two sites; this provided calibration data that was commensurate with the distances measured during the trials.

The true heading of the baseline was determined from coordinate data to be 168<sup>o</sup> / 348<sup>o</sup>. Approach courses for all runs which required tracking paralleled this heading.

For standardization runs, the speed of the ship over the ground was calculated using positional values from the range in the X direction only. As noted in Table **3,** the speed has a resolution of **0.01** kn and an accuracy of **± 0.05** kn for these runs.

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## **APPENDIX C DISPLACEMENT CALCULATIONS**

The following discussion explains the procedure used for determining the displacement and trim of **SCOUT** during the standardization and locked and trailed shaft trials.

Accurate visual draft readings were taken on **SCOUT** on three occasions. The first was on the morning of 14 June **1991** at the pier at Nassau, Bahamas just prior to departure for trials. These readings are deemed reliable due to the calm water and slack lines from the ship to the pier. These readings yielded the highest displacement because **SCOUT** was fueled the previous evening. The second and **third** set of draft readings were taken in the open ocean off the coast of **AUTEC** as the **AUTEC** harbor area was too shallow for SCOUT's draft. The second set of readings were obtained on the morning of **17** June **1991** from a small boat circling **SCOUT.** The sea was fairly calm and these readings are deemed reasonably reliable. The last set of readings were obtained on the evening of **17** June **1991** in a similar manner to the morning readings. The sea was extremely calm (smooth as glass) and these readings are considered very reliable. Tables **C. 1** through **C.3** contain the draft readings, and the subsequent calculations required to determine the displacement, for the three sets of draft readings obtained.

Draft readings were collected at other times throughout the trial period. However, they were considered to be very unreliable readings as the sea swells rolling past SCOUTs draft marks made it extremely difficult to "choose" a number for a particular reading.

Note that a draft reading error of **±1** in. can result in an error of **±15** tons in total displacement.

The specific gravity and temperature of the water were also needed to complete the displacement calculations. These measurements were taken at sea each day and did not vary from day to day. The hydrometer used to measure the specific gravity was calibrated so that the specific gravity of fresh water at **600** F is **1.000.** Therefore, in order to calculate displacement, the measured value had to be corrected for a sea water temperature of **820** F. The corrected specific gravity is shown in the tables.

Ship's force determined displacement in the morning and evening of each day of the trials **by** tank soundings. These displacements were used to calculate a differential in displacement from the previous reading. The three sets of accurate DTRC obtained draft readings and the ship's force differentials were used to calculate displacements and trim for each day of the trials.

Table **C.4** is a summary of SCOUT's displacement and trim throughout the trial. **The** first column lists the date and general time. The next column lists the ship's force determined differential in displacement. The third column lists the DTRC calculated displacements from Tables C.1, C.2, and **C.3.** The fourth column lists morning and evening displacements as determined from the previous two columns. The fifth column lists the average displacement for each day of the trials. The displacements for the trials were the following:

- \* Standardization trials, ton **(t) 1,293** (1,314)
- \* Locked and Trailed Shaft, ton **(t) 1,285** (1,306).

Finally, the table lists three columns for trim. The DTRC measured trim was obtained from the draft readings found in Tables **C. 1** through **C.3.** The trims were all down **by** the stem. Next, the estimated trim was interpolated from the measured trim. The last column lists the average trim for each day of the trials. The trims **by** the **stern** for each particular trial were the following:

- Standardization trials, **ft (in)** 1.3 (0.40)
- \* Locked and Trailed Shaft, **ft (m)** 1.4 (0.43).

**Table C.1. USS SCOUT (MCM 8)** standardization trial displacement calculations, 14 June **1991** morning.

	<b>Draft Readings</b>						
	Port	Starboard		Average			
	$Fwd = 10.83$ ft	$Fwd = 11.08$ ft		$(3)$ Fwd = 10.96 ft			
	(1) Mid = $11.00$ ft	$(2)$ Mid = 12.00 ft		(4) Mid = $11.50$ ft			
	Aft = 11.67 ft	Aft = $12.58$ ft		$(5)$ Aft = 12.12 ft			
(6)		Specific Gravity of Water (Corrected for Water Temperature of 82°F)		1.023			
(7)	Specific Volume of Water = $35.955 / (6)$			35.15	ft <sup>3</sup> /ton		
(8)		Forward Draft Mark to Ref. Line for Longitudinal Centers		87.0	ft		
(9)		L.C.F. From Ref. Line at Draft (4) From Curves of Form (+ Aft, - Fwd)		15.6	ft		
	(10) Forward Draft Mark to L.C.F. = $(8) + (9)$			102.6	ft		
	(11) Forward Draft Mark to Midship Draft Mark			87.0	ft		
	(12) Forward Draft Mark to After Draft Mark			195.5	ft		
		(13) Trim Between Draft Marks = $(5) - (3)$ (+ Aft, - Fwd)		1.2	ft		
		(14) Calculated Draft at Midship Draft Marks = $(3) + [(13)^*(11)] / (12)$		11.5	ft		
	(15) Keel Deflection = $(4) - (14) + Sag$ , - Hog)			0.0	ft		
		(16) Calculated Draft at L.C.F. = $(3) + [(13)*(10)]/(12)$		.11.6	ft		
	(17) Equivalent Draft = $(16) + 0.75$ * (15)			11.6	ft		
		(18) Displacement in Seawater at Draft (17) From Curves of Form		1,310	tons		
	(19) List = 57.3 * [(2) - (1)] / 121.00 (+ Port, - Stbd)			0.47	deg		
	(20) Final Displacement = $(18) * [35 / (7)]$			1,304	tons		

	<b>Draft Readings</b>						
	Port	<b>Starboard</b>		Average			
	$Fwd = 10.66$ ft	<b>Fwd</b> = $10.83$ ft		$(3)$ Fwd = 10.75 ft			
	Mid = $10.83$ ft (1)	(2) Mid = $11.75$ ft	(4)	Mid = $11.29$ ft			
	Aft = $11.83$ ft	Aft = $12.58$ ft		$(5)$ Aft = 12.20 ft			
(6)		Specific Gravity of Water (Corrected for Water Temperature of 82°F)		1.023			
(7)	Specific Volume of Water = $35.955 / (6)$			35.15	ft <sup>3</sup> /ton		
(8)		Forward Draft Mark to Ref. Line for Longitudinal Centers		87.0	ft		
(9)		L.C.F. From Ref. Line at Draft (4) From Curves of Form (+ Aft, - Fwd)		15.6	ft		
(10)	Forward Draft Mark to L.C.F. = $(8) + (9)$			102.6	ft		
(11)	Forward Draft Mark to Midship Draft Mark			87.0	ft		
	(12) Forward Draft Mark to After Draft Mark			195.5	ft		
		(13) Trim Between Draft Marks = $(5) - (3)$ (+ Aft, - Fwd)		1.5	ft		
		(14) Calculated Draft at Midship Draft Marks = $(3) + [(13)^*(11)] / (12)$		11.4	ft		
	(15) Keel Deflection = $(4) - (14) + Sag$ , - Hog)			$-0.1$	ft		
		(16) Calculated Draft at L.C.F. = $(3) + [(13)^*(10)] / (12)$		11.5	ft		
	(17) Equivalent Draft = $(16) + 0.75$ * (15)			11.4	ft		
		(18) Displacement in Seawater at Draft (17) From Curves of Form		1,275	tons		
	(19) List = $57.3$ * [(2) - (1)] / 121.00 (+ Port, - Stbd)			0.44	deg		
	(20) Final Displacement = $(18)$ * $[35 / (7)]$			1,270	tons		

Table **C.2. USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** locked and trailed shaft trial displacement calculations, **17** June **1991** morning.

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Table **C.3. USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** trial displacement calculations, **17** June **1991** evening.

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## **APPENDIX D PROPELLER PITCH CALIBRATION AND DETERMINATION**

**A** description of the propeller pitch and the propeller pitch calibration on **SCOUT** is discussed below. This section of the report is divided into the following subsections: introduction, measuring propeller pitch **by** two methods, calibration settings, calibration temperatures, calibration data, setting propeller pitch, determining actual pitch, oil temperature considerations, and shaft thrust considerations.

#### INTRODUCTION

The starboard and port propellers on **USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** were calibrated **by** divers in the water at Nassau, Bahamas. The calibration, conducted on **11** and 12 June **1991,** was performed to determine the relationship between the percent propeller pitch and the propeller pitch voltage signal.

The propeller pitch was measured in three distinct ways. The first method was to measure the axial distance between the leading and trailing edge of the blades at the 70% radius at design pitch. This distance was measured on all five blades of each propeller at design pitch (100%) to check the accuracy of the blade settings and the scribe mark alignments. The other two methods involved measuring the angular displacement of the blade palm of the propeller blade with respect to the hub. This angular displacement was measured with a Bird-Johnson circular pitch scale and with a DTRC fabricated protractor. The angular displacement readings of the DTRC protractor were used for the calibration data.

The voltage used to record the propeller pitch during the calibration and throughout the trials was obtained from the shaped potentiometer located at the oil distribution (OD) box.

## MEASURING PROPELLER PITCH USING THE AXIAL DISTANCE METHOD

The propeller pitch calibration entailed measuring axial distances from a plane normal to the axis of the propeller shaft to the leading and trailing edges of each blade at 70% of the radius. The difference between the two measurements is the axial distance  $(\Delta)$  between the leading and trailing edges. The ratio of the axial distance  $(\Delta)$  to the blade chord length at the 70% radius (1) is the sine of the pitch angle as shown in Eq. D.1.

$$
\phi = \sin^{-1}\left[\frac{\Delta}{l}\right] \tag{D.1}
$$

where  $\phi$  = pitch angle

 $\Delta$  = axial distance from leading edge to trailing edges at 70% radius in inches

1 **=** blade chord length at the **70%** radius in inches.

The blade chord length at the **70%** radius **(1)** for **SCOUT** is 33.924 in.

The pitch angle  $(\phi)$  calculated in Eq. D.1 was entered into Eq. D.2 to calculate the propeller pitch at the **70%** radius.

$$
P = 2\pi (0.70R) \tan \phi \qquad (D.2)
$$

where  $P =$  propeller pitch at the  $70\%$  radius in feet

R **=** propeller radius in feet

 $\phi$  = pitch angle.

The propeller radius for SCOUT is 3.5 **ft.** The ratio of this propeller pitch to the design pitch yields the percent propeller pitch. The design pitch is 12.46 ft.

The device, used to make the axial distance measurements, was designed and fabricated by DTRC. It was fastened to the propeller hub by divers.

This device is only accurate at the design pitch and meaningful measurements are only obtained from the device with the blades at design pitch. These data are used to verify that the blades on each propeller are at the same pitch relative to each other. **This** verification was conducted with the blades set on design pitch (as determined by the scribe mark alignments and the other two pitch measuring methods) and measurements taken on all five blades on each propeller. The results of the measurements indicated that there was no variation in the pitch from blade to blade on either propeller.

## MEASURING PROPELLER PITCH USING THE ANGULAR DISPLACEMENT METHOD

The pitch angle can be determined from the angular displacement (B) of the palm of the propeller blade with respect to the hub. This is a simple procedure because the propeller manufacturer (Bird-Johnson) stamps several marks on the hub and one mark on the blade palm. The mark on each blade palm is a short scribe perpendicular to the arc of the palm. Four labeled scribe marks (full astern, centerline, design, and full ahead) are on the hub near the blade palm opening. These four marks are perpendicular to the arc of the blade palm opening. The position of the scribe mark on the blade palm relative to the scribe marks on the hub determine the propeller pitch.

The MCM 1 class propeller blade palms can rotate a total of 66.12<sup>o</sup>. The center of this rotation is called the Centerline  $(C_I)$  and the pitch angle at this position is  $11.117^\circ$  in the ahead direction. The full ahead pitch setting is 33.06 degrees of rotation from C<sub>L</sub> and the pitch angle is 44.18<sup>o</sup>. The design

propeller pitch setting is 27.87 degrees of rotation from C<sub>L</sub> and the pitch angle is 38.99<sup>o</sup>. The full astern pitch setting is 33.06 degrees of rotation from C<sub>L</sub> and the pitch angle is 22.00<sup>o</sup> in the astern direction. Equation **D.3** shows how the angular displacement **(B)** yields the pitch angle **(4).**

$$
\phi = B + 11.117^{\circ} \tag{D.3}
$$

where  $\beta$  = rotation of the blade palm with respect to the hub in degrees

**\* =** pitch angle in degrees.

**The** pitch angle (t) calculated in **Eq. D.3** was entered into **Eq. D.2** to calculate the propeller pitch at the **70%** radius.

The angular displacement of the palm of the propeller blade with respect to the hub was measured with two different scales. The first was a Bird-Johnson circular pitch scale. This scale was inserted between the blade palm and hub and it yielded a direct readout of propeller pitch in **feet.** This scale could be read to the nearest 1/4 foot (or 2% pitch near design). The other scale was a DTRC fabricated protractor which gave the angle of rotation of the blade palm with respect to  $C_{L}$  ( $\beta$ ). This scale could be read to the nearest 1/2 degree (or 2% pitch near design). The angle measured with the DTRC protractor was inserted into Eq. D.3 to determine the pitch angle  $(\phi)$ . The pitch angle  $(\phi)$  was then entered into Eq. **D.2** to calculate the propeller pitch at the **70%** radius.

The readings obtained with the DTRC protractor and the Bird-Johnson circular pitch scale corresponded very well. However, the divers taking the readings with the scales on the hub commented that the DTRC protractor was easier to read. Therefore, the readings obtained with the DTRC protractor were used for the calibration.

### **CALIBRATION SETTINGS**

Each propeller was calibrated at a minimum of five different pitch settings. These pitch settings were all in the range of **80%** to 120% ahead. Since the blades were found to have no variation in pitch relative to each other with the axial distance measuring device, measurements were taken on only two of the five blades at each pitch setting. The respective measurements were then averaged to yield a pitch in feet or angle of rotation for the particular pitch setting. These measurements were used in the above equations to calculate percent propeller pitch at each setting for each measurement method.

### CALIBRATION **TEMPERATURES**

It was attempted to calibrate each propeller at two different hydraulic oil temperatures so that corrections could be made for any temperature variations in the system during the trials. The first calibration temperature was to be near the normal operating temperature of the system and the second one

a little hotter. **The** starboard propeller was calibrated at 122°F and **129°F** and the port propeller was calibrated at **125OF** and **1280F.** These calibration temperature differences were not significant enough to determine the effects of temperature variations on propeller pitch. The least squares fit of the lower temperature data were used for the calibration. For both propeller systems, the hydraulic oil temperatures during the trials remained near the calibration temperature. Therefore, temperature variation corrections were not necessary for any of the trial data.

Figure **D.1** shows the percent propeller pitch as determined **by** the DTRC protractor versus the shaped potentionmeter voltage read **by** the computer for the starboard propeller. Figure **D.2** shows the percent propeller pitch as determined **by** the DTRC protractor versus the shaped potentionmeter voltage read **by** the computer for the port propeller. These figures show that the temperature variations were insignificant relative to the accuracy of the propeller pitch measurements.

## CALIBRATION **DATA**

Table **D.1** lists the starboard propeller pitch calibration data and Table **D.2** lists the port propeller pitch calibration data. **The** table includes the pitch as measured **by** the axial distance method at design pitch, propeller pitch in percent as measured with the Bird-Johnson pitch scale and the DTRC protractor, and shaped potentiometer voltage. The hydraulic oil temperature in the system was monitored **by** a DTRC gauge on the return line and **by** the temperature gauge on the HOPM. The voltage and temperature were read **by** the DTRC trial computer.

## **SETING** PROPELLER PITCH

The pitch of a controllable pitch propeller is controlled **by** the movement of a rigid steel control rod and piston mechanism inside the propeller shaft and hub. Linear motion of the control rod and piston causes the blades of the propeller to rotate, yielding different pitches for the propeller.

The controllable pitch propeller system operates with hydraulic **off.** This oil flows constantly from the **OD** box down the shaft to the hub and **returns** to **a** sump. The sump is heated to maintain **a** nominal operating temperature in the system.

The position of the control rod and piston mechanism are controlled **by** a feedback voltage system. This voltage monitors the position of the control rod at the **OD** box. **By** adjusting the voltage, the control rod and piston mechanism can be moved to give a desired pitch. **A** constant voltage will hydraulically lock the control rod in place at the **OD** box.

## **DETERMINING ACTUAL** PITCH **(U)**

The propeller pitch that is set **by** a constant voltage is subject to change when a ship is underway. This change occurs because the actual pitch of a controllable pitch propeller is affected **by** two factors:

the temperature of the hydraulic oil in the system, and the thrust on the propeller shaft. Each factor causes the position of the piston mechanism in the hub to change since the constant voltage locks the control rod in place at the **OD** box.

## **OIL** TEMPERATURE CONSIDERATIONS

The propeller pitch system operates with the hydraulic oil at a nominal operating temperature. The temperature of the oil can be transient over time depending on such variables as the heater in the hydraulic oil sump, seawater flowing around the shaft and hub outside of the ship **hull,** and line shaft bearings. When the oil temperature is significantly different from the nominal operating temperature, the control rod is subject to thermal expansion or contraction. When the system is operating with a constant voltage, any change in length of the control rod due to temperature variations will occur in the hub. This causes movement of the piston mechanism in the hub which results in the pitch being changed while the feedback voltage remains constant.

The oil temperature on the starboard shaft during the trials was around  $126^{\circ}F \pm 2^{\circ}F$ . The oil temperature on the port shaft during the trials was around  $127^{\circ}$ F  $\pm$  1°F. These temperatures coincided very well with the calibration temperatures. Therefore, it was not necessary to make any corrections to the trial propeller pitch readings for temperature variations.

## SHAFT THRUST CONSIDERATIONS

The thrust developed **by** the propeller of a ship underway puts a compression force on the shaft. This force causes the shaft to compress an amount that can be calculated **by** using **Eq. D.3.**

$$
\partial = T/E * \sum_{i=1}^{N} L_i / A_i
$$
 (D.3)

where  $\partial$  = propeller shaft compression in inches

T **=** propeller shaft thrust in pounds

 $L =$  propeller shaft length in inches

**A =** propeller shaft cross-sectional area in square inches

**E =** modulus of elasticity in pounds per square inch.

This equation shows that the compression is directly proportional to the thrust. It is also dependent on shaft length, cross-sectional area, and material. The port and starboard propeller shafts on **SCOUT** are identical; however, the shafts have various sections. These various sections must be accounted for individually as shown in the equation.

The length of shaft which is subject to thrust compression is the length between the aft end of the thrust bearing and the forward flange of the propeller hub. Table **D.3** lists the various shaft sections between these two shaft pieces, their lengths, outside diameters, inside diameters, cross-sectional areas, and length to area ratios. The total shaft length subject to shaft compression was found to be **50.61 ft.** The summation of the individual length to area ratios for this shaft length were found to be  $13.10 \text{ in}^{-1}$ . The modulus of elasticity for the shaft material is **26,000,000** lb/in 2.

The maximum shaft thrust will cause the largest compression. Since the maximum shaft thrust (T,a x) for **SCOUT** is 14,850 **lb,** the maximum shaft compression is **0.007** in. for either shaft. Note that the thrust was determined from model tests.

The maximum shaft compression in inches  $(\partial_{\text{max}})$  must be translated into a change in pitch in percent. This is accomplished **by** taking measurements on the brass pitch indicator plate on the **OD** box. These measurements show that the control rod moves **0.360** in. for pitch changes between **90%** and **110%. This** information is used in **Eq. D.4** to determine the amount of pitch change that the maximum shaft compression can cause.

$$
\beta_{\text{max}} = \partial_{\text{max}} * \frac{\Pi}{D} \tag{D.4}
$$

where  $B_{\text{max}}$  = maximum propeller pitch change in percent

 $\partial_{\text{max}}$  = maximum propeller shaft compression in inches (from Eq. D.3)

 $\Pi$  = propeller pitch range in percent

**D =** distance of control rod movement in inches.

The maximum amount of pitch change is determined by Eq. D.4 with the following values;  $\partial_{\text{max}} =$ 0.007 in.,  $\Pi = 110\%$  - 90%, and  $D = 0.360$  in. This yields  $\beta_{\text{max}} = 0.4\%$  which is the maximum amount that the pitch can change on either shaft of **SCOUT** due to compression.

Table **D.4** shows the values used in Eqs. **D.3** and **D.4** in more detail.

The action of the thrust force tends to **push** the shaft forward or into the ship. This force is not transmitted to the control rod and piston mechanism inside the shaft and the hub. The force causes **(U)** the hub to physically move forward while the control rod and piston mechanism remain fixed. This results **in** the pitch being decreased while the feedback voltage remains constant.

The maximum possible decrease in propeller pitch due to thrust is 0.4% on **SCOUT.** This **will** only occur at the maximum **thrust** condition. Therefore, the effects of thrust on the propeller pitch were considered negligible and were not taken into account.

## **FINAL** PROPELLER **PITCH COMMENTS**

From the preceding discussion it is quite evident that the propeller pitch is the least accurately **known** measurement of the trials. However, a thorough investigation of the calibration data, hydraulic oil temperature data, and predicted shaft thrust data has lead to values of **pitch** as best as can be determined. It is important to note two conclusions about the propeller pitch data during the trials; **(1)** the hydraulic oil temperature variations were minimal and therefore corrections due to thermal expansion or contraction were deemed unnecessary, and (2) the effects of propeller shaft thrust were deemed minimal and therefore corrections were deemed unnecessary. Therefore, the propeller pitch values recorded in the tables are the values of pitch as best as can be determined.



Fig. D.1. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) percent propeller pitch versus voltage for starboard propeller.



Fig. D.2. USS SCOUT (MCM 8) percent propeller pitch versus voltage for port propeller.



**Table D.1. USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** starboard propeller pitch calibration data.

12 June **1991,** HOPM temperature **= 1290**

<b>Scribe Mark</b> Alignment	<b>Axial</b> Distance Method Pitch $(\%)$	<b>Bird-Johnson</b> <b>Pitch Scale</b> Pitch $(\%)$	<b>DTRC</b> Protractor Pitch $(\%)$	Shaped Potentiometer Voltage	
	-	81.5	81.2	7.059	
		93.1	94.7	7.685	
on the mark	104.2	100.0	100.5	8.182	
	$\bullet$	112.4	115.7	8.748	
$\bullet$	$\blacksquare$	113.2	115.7	8.738	
on the mark	-	120.0	119.8	9.123	



**Table D.2. USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** port propeller pitch calibration data.

12 June **1991,** HOPM temperature **= 128OF**

<b>Scribe Mark</b> Alignment	<b>Axial</b> Distance Method Pitch $(\%)$	<b>Bird-Johnson</b> <b>Pitch Scale</b> Pitch $(\%)$	<b>DTRC</b> Protractor Pitch $(\%)$	<b>Shaped</b> Potentiometer Voltage	
		79.4	80.6	6.898	
	$\blacksquare$	92.3		7.568	
		93.9	93.5	7.598	
on the mark	99.3	100.0	100.5	8.075	
		102.3	101.9	8.070	
	$\bullet$	112.4	110.9	8.593	
on the mark	$\bullet$	120.0	119.8	9.081	



## **Table D.3. USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** shaft length and cross-sectional area data.

2. Total shaft length from thrust bearing to hub: L **= 50.61** (ft).

**3. Summation of length over area ratio:**  $L/A = 13.10$  (in<sup>-1</sup>).



Table **D.4. USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** pitch change due to shaft compression.



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## **APPENDIX E SURFACE ROUGHNESS SURVEY**

**A hull** inspection and surface roughness survey were conducted on the **USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** on **13** June **1991** at Nassau, Bahamas This inspection and survey were carried out **by** DTRC divers. The roughness survey consisted of taking roughness measurements of SCOUT's hull, rudders, and propeller blades. SCOUT's underwater hull area has an ablative coating.

**A** British Ship Research Association (BSRA) Mark **II** Roughness Analyzer was used to collect roughness readings. The BSRA Analyzer was used to collect peak-to-trough roughness measurements at representative locations throughout the hull area as well as on the ship's two rudders and propellers. The BSRA Analyzer measures roughness in terms of mean apparent amplitude.

The BSRA Analyzer measures the maximum peak-to-trough height in micrometers  $(\mu m)$  for fifteen **50** mm sample lengths. These **15** sample lengths are taken over a total of **750** mm of a length of surface. These **15** sample lengths are known as one data length. The roughness reading for one data length is the average of the **15** sample lengths.

There were **18** roughness readings taken from the stem to the bow of the hull area. These readings were averaged to yield an overall hull roughness of 233  $\mu$ m. The maximum value for the hull roughness was 471  $\mu$ m. The minimum value for the hull roughness was 102  $\mu$ m. The divers reported extensive cracks in the fiberglass along the keel and hull intersection. The divers also reported slime at the waterline. The divers reported that the hull was in satisfactory condition for the trials.

Full barnacle growth on both propellers was found and cleaned with a rotating scouring pad system on **13** June **1991.** This evolution was conducted **by** Seaward Marine, Inc. After the cleaning, DTRC divers inspected the propeller blades and found them to be satisfactory. The DTRC divers did report that the blades had a wire brushed texture to them. Roughness readings were then taken on the cleaned propeller blades with the propeller trolley. Eight readings were taken on the starboard propeller blades and averaged together to yield an overall starboard propeller blade roughness of 188  $\mu$ m. Seven readings were taken on the port propeller blades and averaged together to yield an overall port propeller blade roughness of 204  $\mu$ m. The divers reported that the propellers were in satisfactory condition for the trials.

Surface roughness measurements were taken on both sides of each rudder. The divers reported that the inboard sides of each rudder had large areas of paint missing. However, the roughness readings were only taken on painted areas. **A** total of eight readings were taken on both rudders and averaged together to yield an overall rudder roughness of 200  $\mu$ m. The divers reported that the rudders were in satisfactory condition for the trials.

Table E.1 lists the surface roughness data. It includes the name of the general art a where the roughness readings were collected, the number of roughness readings taken, and the maximum, minimum, and average values of roughness for that area.

Table **E.2** lists the surface roughness readings of **USS AVENGER** (MCM **1)** and **SCOUT** for comparison purposes. It can be seen that the hull and rudders have similar values but the propellers on **AVENGER** were much smoother than those on **SCOUT.**

Table **E.3** lists surface roughness data from several surface ships. This table shows the ship name, the dates that the roughness data were collected, and the number of days since the last hull cleaning. It lists the number of roughness readings taken over a general area of the ship and the average roughness for that area. The surface roughness data comparisons show SCOUT's roughness is comparable to other surface ships prior to standardization trials.

DTRC divers took underwater video and photographs of the hull and propellers. This visual documentation of SCOUT's underwater condition has been provided to **NAVSEA,** PMS **303.**



**Table E.1. USS SCOUT (MCM 8)** surface roughness data, **13** June **1991.**

Notes: 1. The underwater hull has an ablative coating.

2. Full barnacle growth on both propellers was cleaned with a rotating scouring pad system on 13 June 1991.

3. Propeller blades were measured with the BSRA propeller trolley.



Table **E.2. USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** and **USS AVENGER** (MCM **1)** surface roughness data comparison.

Notes: 1. Full barnacle growth on both propellers was cleaned with a rotating scouring pad system on 13 June **1991.**

2. Propeller blades on **SCOUT** were measured with the BSRA propeller trolley.


# **Table E.3. USS SCOUT** (MCM **8)** surface roughness data comparisons.

**•** Data were collected with the BSRA propeller trolley.

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#### APPENDIX F

### **SCHEMATIC** OF **SHIPS** PATH DURING TRIAL **MANEUVERS**

The following text contains detailed descriptions of the procedures used for the standardization and locked and trailed shaft trials. **A** definitive diagram of these maneuvers is contained in **this** appendix.

Ship speed and propeller shaft powering values for each data point (data spot) plotted were routinely determined **by** conducting steady passes on the **AUTEC** tracking range. These passes were on reciprocal headings (3480 **- 1680** true) with each pass about four minutes in duration (from **COMEX** to **FINEX). A** Williamson turn was conducted at the end of each pass to facilitate operating in the same body of water throughout a speed spot.

Each pass was initiated when ship and machinery conditions (torque and shaft speed) had steadied. During the pass, shipboard ranging equipment tracked the ship's movements relative to two shore-based reference points and recorded time and position data. Range data were then matched against the propeller shaft powering conditions to define the ship's powering characteristics for each pass.

Speed values for each pass were determined **by** the ranging equipment and represented speed over the ground (speed through the water plus wind and current). Speed values for each data spot represented, speed through the water, this value and the average powering characteristics for each spot were calculated **by** averaging data from the three passes with the data from the middle pass weighted twice. This procedure removed the effects of water current and wind on ship speed and is based on the assumption of a linear current versus time gradient throughout the duration of the spot. Unless otherwise noted, all references to ship speed imply spot speeds.

Effects due to current and wind were minimal and nonvarying relative to the time required to conduct a speed **spot.** Speed differentials were generally between **0.1 kn** and 0.4 kn in the northerly direction throughout the trial period. This facilitated the use of two pass spots (the two passes were averaged together to yield the data spot) for many of the data points obtained on the standardization and locked and trailed shaft trials.

Figure F.1 diagrams the ship path and conduct of standardization and locked and trailed shaft passes.



**Fig.** F.1. Ships path during **a** typical standardization, locked, or trailed shaft run.

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