

SIMULTANEOUS MULTIAXIS VIBRATION TESTING WITH ELECTRODYNAMIC SHAKERS

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Figure 7-23 Triaxial Accelerometer



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Figure 7-23A TRIAXIAL ACCELEROMETERS



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Figure 7-23B Three accelerometers → three signals



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Figure 1 Vibrating Platform

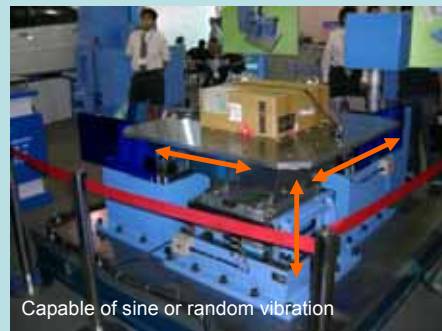


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Figure 2 Three servomotor drives



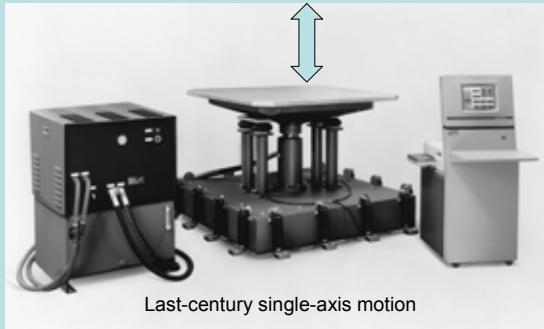
Capable of sine or random vibration

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Figure 3 Servohydraulic vibration platform



Last-century single-axis motion

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Figure 4 Horizontal NEBS testing



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Figure 5 Seismic Investigation of Residence



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Figure 6 Earthquake simulation



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Figure 7 Earthquake simulation



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Figure 8 Platform Simulates Rail or other Transport



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Figure 9 Road Simulation on Automobile



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Figure 15-28 Shaker and Chamber Combined

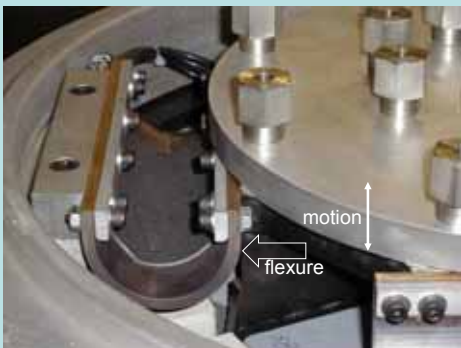
But note that shaker motion is single axis.



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Figure 10 Last-century single-axis shaker

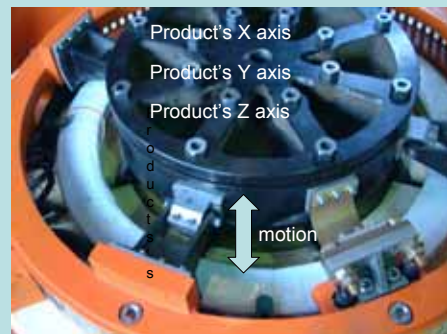


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Figure 11 Last-century single-axis shaker

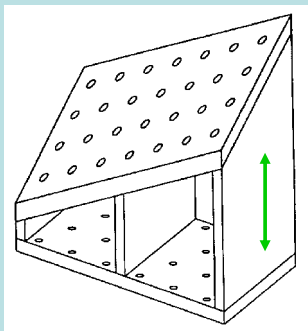


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Figure 12 "Tilted" Fixture does not Multi-axis Test



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Figure 25-15A "Tilt" (not Multi-Axis) Fixture



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Figure 14 Tilted Shaker

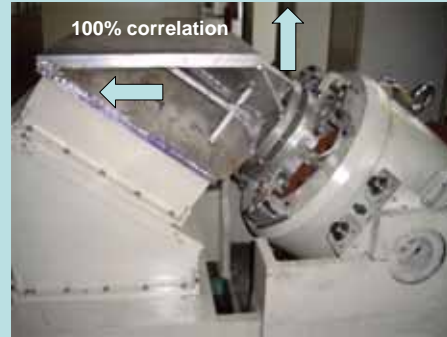


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Figure 16-14B Tilted Shaker



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Please note that I'm not talking about RS or Repetitive Shock screening, sometimes called HALT & HASS, using pneumatic bangers.

Sure, RS is cheaper, but you have little control over the dynamic inputs your hardware receives. You can't repeat in the afternoon what you did in the morning.

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Figure 25-45 Flexible Air Ducting



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Figure 25-46 Screening Controls



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Figure 25-37 Pneumatic RS Units Excite Platform



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No. I'm talking about multiple (say three) electrodynamic (ED) shakers, driven by three power amplifiers.

Such as pioneered by the Army Research Lab at Adelphi, MD.

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Figure 15 Pioneer Three-shaker 3DoF realization

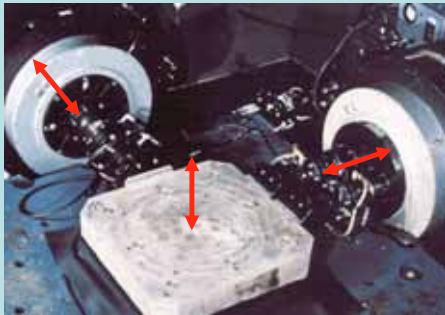


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Figure 16 Three-shaker 3DoF realization



courtesy Team Corporation and White Sands Proving Ground

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Figure 17 Three-shaker 3DoF realization



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Figure 18 Three-shaker Navy 3DoF realization



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Figure 19 USAF Multi-Axis Test Equipment

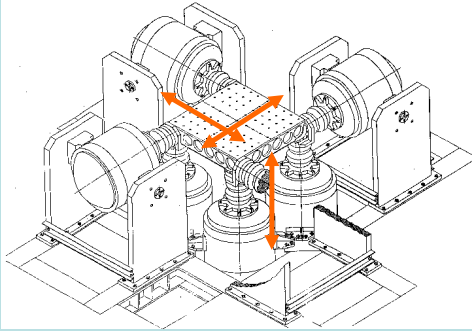


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Figure 20 USAF Multi-Axis Test Equipment



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What do

Adelphi

White Sands

Keyport and

Hill AFB

have in common?

They all piled up three existing shakers, and with considerable difficulty made them work together..

Now, wouldn't it seem cheaper to buy a factory-assembled 3-shaker system?

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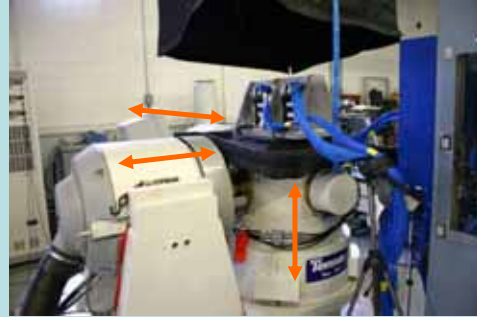
Video Clip 4 Three-Axis ANCO ED Shaker



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Figure 21 Tri-axial automotive electronics shaking



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Figure 22 Triaxial shaking of headlamps

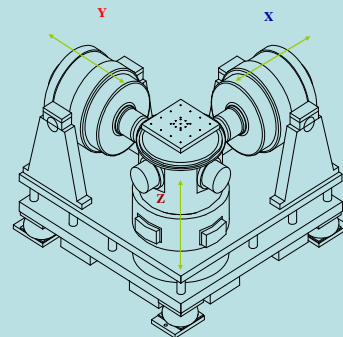


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Figure 23 Three Shakers drive Common Load



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Figure 25 Three Chinese Shakers



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Video Clip 7 Chinese Multiaxis Array



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Question: When will the U.S. Army, Navy, Air Force procuring agencies *demand* the most effective vibration testing?

Question for each of you:

Whom do I know, who knows somebody who can influence hardware procurement, that I can tell about

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