### ATA ENGINEERING, INC. FUNCTIONAL CAPABILITIES

ATA Engineering, Inc., (ATA) is an employee-owned small business that has been providing engineering services in the areas of product design, structural dynamics, thermal analysis, aeroelasticity, acoustics, software development, computational fluid dynamics, structural mechanics, training, and testing since 1977. During that time we have gained a reputation for excellence in the engineering community and have had the opportunity to work on a very wide range of products, including military and commercial aircraft, satellites and interplanetary spacecraft, launch vehicles, transportation vehicles, mining equipment, entertainment-related rides and equipment, and a wide variety of consumer products.

Our particular expertise focuses on structural dynamic analysis, testing, and nonlinear transient dynamics, including specialized cases such as coupled loads and vibroacoustics. This expertise has resulted in ATA being a critical team member in the design and analysis of many highly engineered products, which have included launch vehicles and satellites for all major US aerospace companies; numerous military aircraft; missile systems; roller coasters and simulators for international theme parks; rail, road, and sea transportation equipment; industrial machinery; homeland security hazard detection equipment; and electronic and commercial products ranging from disk drives to robotics to medical implants.

ATA is a leading provider in the application of advanced computer-aided engineering (CAE) tools to drive efficient, optimized product development through test and analysis. Our engineering staff are experts in the use of a wide variety of software tools including NX, I-deas, SolidEdge, and SolidWorks for design; NX, I-deas, Nastran, Abagus, ANSYS, and Femap for analysis; and I-deas for Test and MATLAB for test. In addition, we are skilled in the development of customized software and methods to further optimize design, analysis, test, and data visualization processes.

ATA is headquartered in San Diego, California, with offices in Los Angeles; Herndon, Virginia; Golden, Colorado; Sammamish, Washington; and Huntsville, Alabama. We employ a regular, full-time staff of more than 110. More than 100 of our staff are engineers, the majority of whom have advanced degrees.

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#### Structural and Dynamic Analysis

- Loads determination
- Assessment of static and dynamic load effects
- Test-verified finite element model development
- Detailed stress
- $\triangleright$ Durability
- Random, sine, and shock
- Aeroelastic
- $\triangleright$ Coupled loads

## Testing

- $\triangleright$ Ground vibration (modal)
- Operational
- Environmental
- Strain, acceleration, thermal, displacement, and force measurements  $\triangleright$
- Drop, shock, and pyroshock measurements  $\triangleright$ 
  - Rotating and reciprocating machinery
- $\triangleright$ Acoustics
- Accelerated fatigue testing
- Data postprocessing and analysis
- On-site, real-time operational strain testing for structural endurance assessment

## **Product Design**

- Conceptual and detailed
- Requirements, specifications, and drawing development
- $\triangleright$ Review and verification
- $\triangleright$ Optimization
- Prototype development
- Project management

## Vibroacoustics

- Random vibration and acoustic environments definition
- Data processing and analysis
- Liftoff and aeroacoustics for launch vehicles
- $\triangleright$ Subsonic and supersonic flight interior noise prediction
- Detailed structural-acoustic design and design of acoustic blankets
- Statistical energy analysis for wide-bandwidth system-level design

### **Computational Fluid Dynamics**

- Flow simulation and visualization
- Fluid-structure interaction
- Advanced methods development
- Structural optimization

## **Thermal Analysis**

- System-level thermal analysis and design
- Component heat management
- $\triangleright$ Board-level and chip-level thermal analysis
- Orbital heating

#### Mechanism/Nonlinear Dynamic Analysis

- Assembly, operation, and handling
- Animatronics
- Deployment and stage separation

### **Robotics and Controls**

- Control of dynamical systems
- Pointing and control of structure-borne optical systems
- Control-structure interaction
- Implementation in traditional PLCs or advanced embedded controllers
- $\triangleright$ Application to autonomous ground and air vehicles

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## Whitney, Western Digital PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:

Airframes, rocket engines, launch vehicles, missiles, satellites, spacecraft, reflectors, consumer and military electronics, heavy machinery, roller coasters, manufacturing equipment

### CODES UTILIZED:

Abaqus®, Attune™, Brüel & Kjær Test for I-deas, MATLAB®, MSC.Nastran™, NX Nastran, Siemens I-deas® NX, VA-One, ZONA/ZAERO®

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## **Dynamic Analysis and Test-Analysis Correlation**

## OVERVIEW

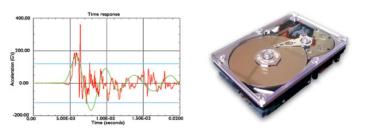
Many structures must survive severe dynamic environments including transient, sinusoidal, random, and acoustic excitation. ATA has extensive experience in performing structural dynamics analysis to predict dynamic loads and responses. We have a variety of software tools including Siemens I-deas NX, Nastran, and MATLAB to analyze different environments. We are knowledgeable on the information contained in many dynamic-response specifications and requirements including the full range of military and NASA standards.

ATA recommends that when feasible, a test-verified finite element model be developed as this is the only way to guarantee that the model is accurate. The accuracy of the model can be critically important for use in coupled loads, transportation, control system, and other dynamic analysis. Modal testing provides a measurement of the actual dynamic characteristics of a structure. The finite element model is then adjusted to provide better agreement between the predicted (analysis) and actual (test) results. This process is usually called test-analysis correlation or model updating.

ATA has developed methods and software programs, including Attune, to efficiently perform model updating and the many correlation checks that are part of this process. The test-analysis model (TAM) mass matrix, produced during a pretest analysis, is valuable for performing many of these checks including orthogonality, cross-orthogonality, effective mass, and energy distribution. We have also developed automated procedures for optimally locating both exciters and sensors for a modal test. I-deas can also be used for computing orthogonality and modal assurance criterion (MAC) calculations.

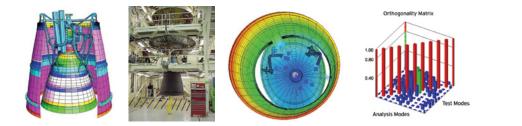
With a correlated finite element model, the quality of dynamic analysis results improves dramatically. In addition to the considerable experience in the area of flutter and divergence, ATA has evaluated the full gamut of shock and vibration loads including those due to the following:

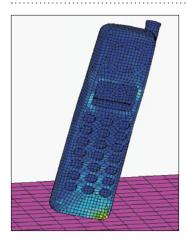
- Sea, air, rail, and road transportation
- ▷ Lift and drop
- Wind and wave
- Launch, engine ignition, and stage separation



Comparison of measured and predicted acceleration for drop event provides critical design information

Correlation of test and analysis data provides high levels of confidence in analytical predictions for sophisticated aerospace products





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PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Launch vehicle and airframe structures, rocket engine components, reflectors and antennae, theme park rides, flight simulators, industrial machinery, tooling fixtures, pump and valve housings, consumer and military electronics

#### CODES UTILIZED:

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## Shock/Drop and Pyroshock

## ATA SHOCK TEST EXPERIENCE

ATA has over 20 years of experience measuring and analyzing shock-type events. For these tests, accelerometers, strain gages, and pressure transducers are used to assess structural component loads due to high-speed transient events. The test data are then used in developing design specifications and assessing structural performance characteristics.

## PYRO-SHOCK

ATA has provided pyro-shock measurements for several major aerospace companies. These are typically events dealing with separations of launch vehicles, which can subject structures to extreme structurally and acoustically borne acceleration inputs. Peak accelerations as well as shock response spectra allow assessment of these environments.

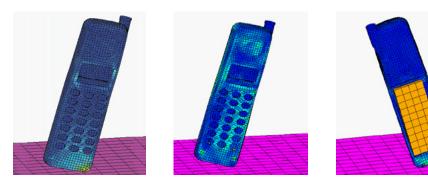
## DROP AND IMPACT TESTING

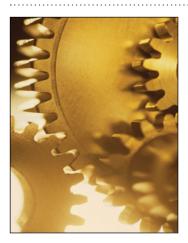
Environmental-type drop and impact testing has been performed for both aerospace and commercial customers. These tests are used to validate transportation equipment and packaging of sensitive electronics components. Peak accelerations are measured as well as structure displacements to evaluate loads transmitted and determine if an impact event will occur under specified conditions. Some structures tested by ATA include satellite transportation systems, military munitions, hand-held electronic devices, and sporting equipment.

### TEST CAPABILITIES

- Mobile test equipment allows for fast setup and testing at customers sites
- High-speed data acquisition rates to capture pyro-shock events
- Shock accelerometers (4.2 grams and 50,000 g peak levels)
- Over 100 channels of strain conditioning
- Microphones and pressure transducers
- Electrodynamic shaker for performing mechanical shock
- All equipment meets ISO 17025, ISO 10012:2003, and ANSI Z540 specifications

▼ Drop testing simulation helps validate packaging of sensitive electronics components in a wide range of products





CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: AK Steel, Alcoa, Bosch, Caterpillar, Cooper Tire, Cummins Diesel, Delphi, John Deere, General Motors, Ford Motor, Harley-Davidson, Hyundai, Mercury Marine, Mitsubishi Polyester Films, MTS, Visteon, Renault, TWR, Allied Signal, Metaldyne, GKN, Dana, NASA, Teldix and National Renewable Energy Lab, Solar Turbines, FMI, FLSmidth

PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Diesel and gas-powered engines, mining and mineral processing equipment, consumer and aerospace electronics, electric motors, medical equipment

CODES UTILIZED:

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## **Rotating and Reciprocating Machinery Testing**

## OVERVIEW

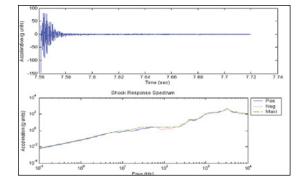
Using a broad range of software, ATA applies testing and analysis of rotating and reciprocating machinery to a broad range of industries from automotive to defense. ROTATE PLUS is in wide use for analyzing noise and vibration from time waveform and tachometer (or other machine speed) signals. ROTATE PLUS, in addition to ATA's other software suites, allows our test engineers to postprocess vibration and other types of data from many different data recorders.

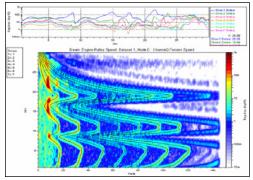
Continuing the work of Dr. Håvard Vold, a recognized leader in the sound and vibration analysis field, ATA applies the same upfront design-test-analysis expertise to rotating equipment solutions for clients as it does to other mechanical engineering challenges.

Applications include the following:

- b Characterizing individual vibration frequencies in hertz, RPM, or orders
- Characterizing resonances
- ▷ Analyzing dynamic fatigue
- Analyzing torsional vibration with or without the use of slip rings, shaft-mounted transducers, or telemetry
- Identifying problems in variable-speed machinery, particularly when the speed changes rapidly or over a large range
- > Troubleshooting intermittent problems that may require hours of data recording
- Identifying early-stage bearing and gearbox defects
- Creating a machine speed (RPM) history from vibration data alone (without a tachometer signal)
- Separating order-related vibrations from non-order-related vibrations
- Identifying problems in crowded, noisy signals from gearboxes and transmissions with closely spaced and crossing orders
- Diagnosing machinery when there is a noisy tachometer signal or no tachometer signal at all
- Performing advanced diagnosis using data from sensors away from the machinery—accomplished by detailed evaluation of time waveform data with powerful analysis tools
- Creating impressive plots and tables of data to use in reports and presentations

▼ ROTATE PLUS allows sophisticated postprocessing of test data to provide greater insight into product performance







CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: Aerojet, ATK, BAE Systems, Boeing Satellite Systems, Chance Morgan, InVision, Martinez & Turek, Pratt & Whitney, Premier Rides

PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Launch vehicle and airframe structures, rocket engine components, reflectors and antennae, theme-park rides, flight simulators, industrial machinery, tooling fixtures, pumps and valves, electronics, battery cell casings

#### CODES UTILIZED:

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## Strength, Optimization, and Durability Analysis

### OVERVIEW

ATA performs structural analysis using advanced finite element analysis (FEA) and traditional handbook methods. We develop, analyze, and display finite element models and results using Siemens I-deas<sup>®</sup> NX Series pre- and post-processing and I-deas Model Solution Linear and Nonlinear solvers. For specialty applications, we use additional software tools including Nastran, Abaqus<sup>®</sup>, ANSYS<sup>®</sup>, and BOSOR. We evaluate structural endurance using the Siemens I-deas Durability<sup>™</sup> module as well as traditional methods. Detailed stress analysis of fastener loads, pullout, bearing, and other factors is performed using established design handbooks augmented by semi-automated procedures including MATHCAD<sup>®</sup> and spreadsheets.

ATA is expert in the following areas:

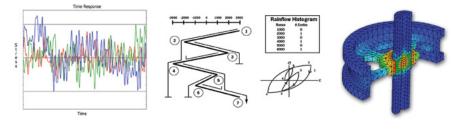
- Strength analysis of structures
- Structural optimization
- ▷ Fatigue analysis of welded structures

ATA staff have extensive experience predicting stresses in both metallic and composite structures. Nonlinear geometric and material effects can also be considered. For highly nonlinear problems, ATA uses Abaqus/ Standard or Abaqus/Explicit to include effects such as creep, contact, large displacements, and multibody dynamics, and to simulate manufacturing processes such as rolling and forming.

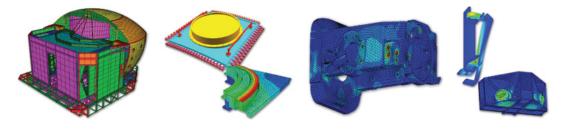
Fracture mechanics analysis of metallic structures is performed using NASA/FLAGRO. Cyclic stress magnitude and orientation is recovered from an FEA analysis of the structure and input into FLAGRO where this information is used to predict crack growth and stability and maximum-allowable-initial-crack size based on simplified crack models.

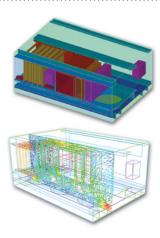
Optimized structures provide significant benefits including low material cost and maximum system performance. ATA performs structural optimization to minimize structural weight subject to frequency, displacement, and stress constraints. We use Siemens I-deas optimization for statics, buckling, and modal analysis, and Nastran or Abaqus for specialty applications. ATA can also advise on design and manufacturing approaches to further optimize performance and manufacturability.

Stress or strain time histories may be used to determine the damage to, and durability of, components under given duty cycles



ATA performs strength evaluation and optimization for products ranging in size from flight simulators to detailed subcomponents





#### CUSTOMER INCLUDE:

AASC, Aerojet, Ball Aerospace **Corporation, Boeing Satellite** Systems, Ceradyne, Cymer, Lockheed Martin, NASA, Nokia, Sandia National Labs, Seagate, Trex Enterprises, Vanguard Composites Group

PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Launch vehicles, satellites, rocket engines, reflectors, spacecraft, disk drives, laser systems, optical platforms, consumer and aerospace electronics, chemical reactors, electric motors, medical equipment

#### CODES UTILIZED:

Siemens I-deas<sup>®</sup> NX Series TMG<sup>™</sup> and ESC<sup>™</sup>, SINDA, Thermal Desktop, TRASYS<sup>™</sup>. **NEVADA™** 

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## **Thermal and Fluid Analysis**

## OVERVIEW

Mechanical problems often occur when a system becomes too hot or too cold or is continuously cycled through a large temperature range during its lifetime. Typical problems include equipment failure, mechanical distortion, and structural failure. ATA has extensive experience in performing thermal analysis of aerospace and electronic systems. Our primary analysis tools are the TMG<sup>™</sup> and ESC<sup>™</sup> modules of Siemens I-deas® NX Series, which have capabilities for conduction, convection, and radiation problems. ATA has experience in defining the solar radiation environment and orbital mechanics for satellites and other orbiting systems. For ground-based systems, we analyze electronic systems with forced or natural convection cooling.

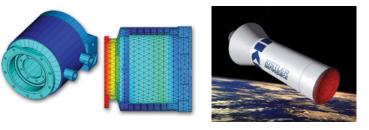
We also use SINDA, TRASYS<sup>™</sup>, and NEVADA<sup>™</sup> when necessary for specialty analysis and legacy compatibility. We can convert TMG data to and from these software packages as necessary.

Additionally, we have commercial and in-house code that we use to map data, such as spatially varying heat flux on a surface, from other codes to our thermal models. We can also create user-subroutines to handle complex heating, such as chemical reactions, or to simulate active thermal-control systems. Finally, we can map temperatures from our models to structural models for use in thermal distortion or thermal stress analysis.

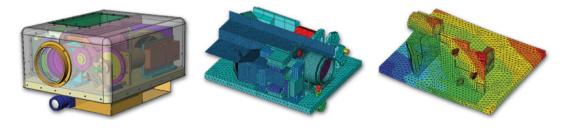
ATA provides thermal and coupled fluid-thermal analysis and design support at a variety of different levels depending upon the application. This support includes the following:

- $\triangleright$ Chip-level thermal analysis
- Board-level thermal analysis
- $\triangleright$ Component heat management
- System-level thermal analysis
- $\triangleright$ Orbital heating

ATA has provided thermal and fluid analysis services for products ranging from small motor casings to launch vehicles



Coupled fluid-thermal analysis of sensitive optical systems allows design of cooling systems to minimize distortion





CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: Gunderson, Ling Electronics, Kistler Aerospace, Martinez & Turek, NASA, USAF

### PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:

Intermodal stackable railcars, launch-vehicle payload adapters, electromagnetic shakers, precision machinery, antenna support structures, launch-vehicle fuel tanks, motion simulators

DESIGN CODES UTILIZED: AutoCAD<sup>®</sup>, Siemens I-deas<sup>®</sup> NX, Solidworks<sup>®</sup>, Solid Edge<sup>®</sup>, Unigraphics<sup>®</sup>

ANALYSIS CODES UTILIZED: Abaqus®, Siemens I-deas® NX, Siemens Femap®, NX Nastran, MSC.ADAMS™, MSC.Nastran™

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## **Product Design and Prototyping**

### OVERVIEW

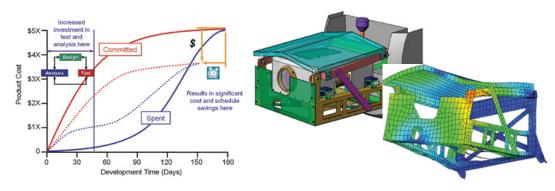
ATA provides design services to support clients with their product development processes. For the last thirty years, our staff has worked with companies to help get their products to market faster. Our experience with the mechanics, materials (metal and composite), and manufacturing aspects of product design help our customers reduce the number of prototypes and mechanical tests necessary to arrive at a high-quality, reliable, and cost-effective product.

ATA is able to achieve significant savings in time and cost without negatively impacting quality through the early use of an analysis- and test-driven design process. Through early application of analytical techniques, a detailed understanding of the requirements can be developed. Through this analysis, the product specification can be turned into detailed design guidelines that help the designer get it right the first time. The early understanding gained from analysis allows design changes at a time when the commitment to the design is smaller and modifications are less costly in terms of time and expense.

The analysis can then continue as the design develops, guiding the design process and refinement. The application of analytical design-optimization techniques often refines the design and effectively and efficiently achieves the design objectives. By the time a detailed design has been developed and prototypes are built, the product performance is well understood.

Companies often have the need to develop new product prototypes but do not have the time, facilities, or experience. We work closely with the client to engineer the product, produce prototype drawings, and deliver prototype hardware. ATA has strong relationships with several manufacturing companies that can produce precision prototypes for metallic or composite products for a very wide range of dimensions. This often can be accomplished in less time than if done in-house due to the unique engineering environment and dedicated personnel at ATA. In the majority of cases, all product rights and patents remain with the client.

▼ ATA's analysis- and test-driven approach to product design reduces cost and schedule and helps get the product right the first time



Products designed range in size and use from compact optical systems packaging to satellite shakers to launch-vehicle fuel tanks





CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: ATK, Ball Aerospace, Boeing, Embraer (Brazil), General Atomics Aeronautical Systems Inc., KAI (Korea), L-3, Lockheed Martin, NASA, Northrop Grumman, Orbital Sciences Corporation, Pratt & Whitney, Solar Turbines, Raytheon

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## **Modal Testing**

## OVERVIEW

ATA is the leading independent company for performing modal survey tests. We have performed modal and dynamic testing for more than 35 years. We pioneered the use of random excitation for modal testing and extended the method to include multi-shaker random testing, patented multi-shaker Multi-Sine<sup>1</sup> testing, and alias-free polyreference modal parameter estimation. We have unsurpassed experience in modal testing of aerospace and industrial systems including large-scale tests for aerospace systems, using over 500 accelerometers and nine shakers simultaneously. The aerospace structures we have tested include aircraft, space launch vehicles, rocket motors, and satellites. Other modal tests we have performed include surface-effect ships, robotic figures, propeller blades, generator sets, fixtures, and countless others. An ATA modal test program can include all of the following tasks:

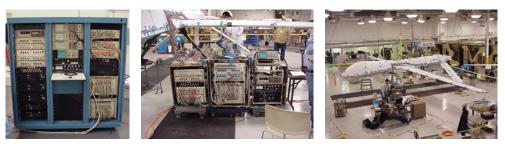
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- Pretest analysis using a finite element representation of the structure to generate a test-analysis model (TAM). The TAM is used to determine the ideal number and location of accelerometers and exciters and a mass matrix for orthogonality checking of test mode shapes.
- A detailed test plan is developed during the test planning task.
- During test execution, ATA will generally use a combination of multiple-input-random, multiple-input Multi-Sine, and impact excitation methods to define the modes of interest. "Quick look" reports summarizing results are typically presented the same day.
- A final correlation task to update the finite element model to achieve agreement with modal test results. An application such as ATA's own Attune is used for this purpose.

All of the modal testing equipment is portable and is typically transported to the customer's facility for on-site modal tests of large systems. ATA test equipment includes exciters, accelerometers, amplifiers, dataacquisition systems, and analysis computers. Many other pieces of equipment required to perform a modal survey, including force gages, oscilloscopes, meters, switching systems, signal generators, shaping filters, cables, and terminals, are also part of ATA's extensive inventory.

All ATA equipment is configured for remote testing and is commonly shipped via air or truck commercial carrier. In addition, ATA has a 1,800 ft<sup>2</sup> laboratory for in-house testing.

ATA test equipment is configured to be highly mobile to allow testing at customer sites



ATA is widely recognized as the leading independent aerospace modal testing company and supports customers all over the world



1 U.S. Pat. No. 8,281,659



CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: ATK, Ball Aerospace, Boeing, Embraer (Brazil), General Atomics Aeronautical Systems Inc., KAI (Korea), L-3, Lockheed Martin, NASA, Northrop Grumman, Orbital Sciences Corporation, Pratt & Whitney, Solar Turbines

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## **Modal Testing Experience**

### RECENT MODAL TESTS INCLUDE:

| PROGRAM                                   | CLIENT                      | NO. OF<br>MODES | TEST DAYS | TEST ARTICLE<br>TYPE | # CHANNELS |  |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|--|
| G500 GVT and SMI                          | Gulfstream                  | 100+            | 6         | A-C                  | 475        |  |
| Q400 pre-mod                              | L-3 Communications          | 35              | 3         | A-M                  | 190        |  |
| K-47B UCAS-D                              | Northrop Grumman            | 65              | 5         | A-U                  | 240        |  |
| Bigelow Expandable Activity Module (BEAM) | Bigelow Aerospace           | 10              | 4         | SAT                  | 95         |  |
| Airtractor Modal Troubleshooting          | Airtractor                  | 20              | 4         | A-C                  | 24         |  |
| G500 acoustic transmissibility            | Gulfstream                  | n.a.            | 3         | A-C                  | 240        |  |
| U-Frame                                   | Boeing                      | 5               | 1         | 0                    | 60         |  |
| Omni Antenna                              | Boeing                      | 10              | 1         | SP                   | 24         |  |
| Dreamchaser rocket motor                  | Sierra Nevada Corporation   | 6               | 1         | 0                    | 24         |  |
| Improved Gray Eagle Fault Tolerant Tails  | General Atomics ASI         | 8               | 2         | A-U                  | 80         |  |
| E-6B pre-mod                              | L-3 Communications          | 30              | 5         | A-M                  | 230        |  |
| NOVA satellite DTV II                     | Millennium                  | 35              | 3         | SAT                  | 160        |  |
| NOVA satellite DTV I                      | Millennium                  | 45              | 4         | SAT                  | 180        |  |
| ALPHA frame                               | ATK                         | 60              | 2         | SAT                  | 145        |  |
| Beech 350                                 | L-3 Communications          | 30              | 4         | A-M                  | 145        |  |
| Predator XP                               | General Atomics ASI         | 90              | 3         | A-U                  | 190        |  |
| MO-9 with fuel tank pods                  | General Atomics ASI         | 178             | 4         | A-U                  | 156        |  |
| MQ-9 Block 5 with wing tips               | General Atomics ASI         | 54              | 2         | A-U                  | 145        |  |
| MQ-9 with DDR pod                         | General Atomics ASI         | 27              | 2         | A-U                  | 104        |  |
| WB-57F N927                               | NASA-JSC                    | 30              | 2         | A-M                  | 137        |  |
| Gray Eagle Fault Tolerant Tails           | General Atomics ASI         | 36              | 2         | A-U                  | 128        |  |
| Avenger AC2 with Tailsman and SP1 pods    | General Atomics ASI         | 66              | 2         | A-U                  | 96         |  |
| Orion                                     | Aurora                      | 50              | 4         | A-U                  | 209        |  |
| Fenacious Launch Dispenser                | Orbital                     | 10+             | 1         | SAT                  | 64         |  |
| BAMS delta configuration                  | Northrop Grumman            | 60              | 4         | A-U                  | 230        |  |
| Modified Boeing 747SP Aircraft GVT        | L-3 Communications          | 60+             | 5         | A-C                  | 260        |  |
| MQ-9 GBU-48                               | General Atomics ASI         | 50              | 2         | A-U                  | 150        |  |
| MQ-9 GB0-48<br>MAD                        | Lockheed Martin Skunk Works | 150+            | 4         | A-U                  | 120        |  |
| SM-3                                      |                             | 100+            | 12        | LV                   | 256        |  |
| GPS-III Satellite                         | Raytheon                    | 40+             | 7         | SAT                  | 200        |  |
|   | Lockheed Martin             |                 | 2         | LV                   | 40         |  |
| APKWS modal                               | BAE                         | 30+             |           |                      |            |  |
| ADEE satellite                            | NASA Ames                   | 35              | 2         | SAT                  | 160        |  |
| Avenger                                   | General Atomics ASI         | 10              | 2         | A-U                  | 32         |  |
| MQ-9 DB-110                               | General Atomics ASI         | 50              | 3         | A-U                  | 120        |  |
| Avenger                                   | General Atomics ASI         | 10              | 2         | A-U                  | 32         |  |
| Gray Eagle 1760                           | General Atomics ASI         | 150             | 5         | A-U                  | 200        |  |
| AP610                                     | Northrop Grumman            | 60              | 5         | A-U                  | 300        |  |
| MQ-9 de-ice                               | General Atomics ASI         | 45              | 2         | A-U                  | 150        |  |
| MQ-9 Reaper Harvester UAV GVT             | General Atomics ASI         | 45              | 2         | A-U                  | 150        |  |
| mproved Gray Eagle a/c tails              | General Atomics ASI         | 42              | 2         | A-U                  | 55         |  |
| Jordan Light Gunship Weapon               | ATK                         | 110             | 3         | 0                    | 120        |  |
| NQ-9 Reaper Gorgon Stare II               | General Atomics ASI         | 45              | 2         | A-U                  | 100        |  |
| BAMS                                      | Northrop Grumman            | 60              | 4         | A-U                  | 230        |  |
| Modified Boeing 747SP Aircraft GVT        | L-3 Communications          | 61              | 5         | A-C                  | 240        |  |
| P-3C aircraft GVT with store              | L-3 Communications          | 180             | 8         | A-M                  | 230        |  |
| P-3C aircraft GVT                         | L-3 Communications          | 37              | 5         | A-M                  | 200        |  |
| AR-SAT Modal Test                         | INVAP S.A.                  | 38              | 10        | SAT                  | 202        |  |
| Modified EC-130H Aircraft GVT             | L-3 Communications          | 108             | 4         | A-M                  | 191        |  |
| MQ-1B Griffin launcher                    | General Atomics ASI         | 66              | 3         | A-U                  | 120        |  |
| MQ-9 dual wing TAC pods                   | General Atomics ASI         | 83              | 3         | A-U                  | 139        |  |
| Avenger a/c 2 GVT IWS                     | General Atomics ASI         | 110             | 3         | A-U                  | 196        |  |
| Predator B Selex pod                      | General Atomics ASI         | 37              | 2         | A-U                  | 100        |  |
| Improved Gray Eagle a/c 1                 | General Atomics ASI         | 114             | 5         | A-U                  | 208        |  |
| Phantom Eye GVT support                   | NASA DFRC                   | 26              | 2         | A-U                  | 184        |  |
| MQ-9 Block 1 ASIP-2C                      | General Atomics ASI         | 85              | 3         | A-U                  | 166        |  |
| Avenger a/c 2 GVT                         | General Atomics ASI         | 55              | 9         | A-U                  | 226        |  |

A-C = Commercial Aircraft, A-M = Military Aircraft, A-U = Unmanned Aircraft LV = Launch Vehicle, SAT = Satellite, SP = Small Payload, O = Other

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| PROGRAM                             | CLIENT              | NO. OF<br>MODES   | CHANNEL<br>COUNT | PROGRAM                          | CLIENT                       | NO. OF<br>MODES | CHANNEL<br>COUNT |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Sofia 747 Telescope GVT             | L-3 Communications  | 300+              | 380              | 1/3 Scale Module                 | Bigelow                      | 5               | 128              |
| Trent 1000 747                      | L-3 Communications  | 50                | 200              | Opal Structure                   | ATK                          | 3+              | 30               |
| ERJ170                              | Embraer             | 40+               | 415              | RSP1SS Equipment Rack            | Johnson Engineering          | 10+             | 112              |
| G-V Airplane                        | Gulfstream          | 30                | 232              | Super Guppy ISS Transport        | Johnson Engineering          | 10+             | 87+              |
| L-1011 Airplane (2)                 | Marshall Aerospace  | 40+               | 100+             | Satellite Propellant Tank (2)    | Wyle/PSI/TRW                 | 10+             | 50+              |
| MD-90 Airplane                      | Boeing (Douglas)    | 50+               | 120              | Space Station Mobile Transporter | Wyle/Astro Aerospace         | 15+             | 204              |
| Convair Stretch 580                 | Flightcraft         | 30+               | 80+              | ISPR (Space Station) Adapter     | Boeing Hunstville            | 20+             | 87               |
| MD-11 Airplane                      | Boeing (Douglas)    | 100+              | 250+             | Spacehab Rack                    | Boeing Hunstville            | 15+             | 143              |
| Dash 8 Airplane (2)                 | de Havilland        | 60                | 100+             | Shuttle SLS-1 Experiments (22)   | NASA/LM Houston              | 15              | 100+             |
| MD-87 and UHB Airplanes             | Boeing (Douglas)    | 40                | 190+             | SVMV Petal                       | Lockheed Martin              | 100+            | 140              |
| G-IV Airplane                       | Gulfstream          | 30                | 150+             | Spacecraft Component             | Orbital Sciences             | 13              | 120              |
| Boeing 707 Airplane                 | Tracor              | 30                | 100+             | Opto-Mechanical Assemblies       | Kodak                        | 15              | 140+             |
| Douglas DC-8 Airplane               | Tracor              | 30                | 100+             | P1205 Spacecraft                 | Spectrum Astro               | 13              | 185+             |
| C130 Aircraft propeller mod         | Snow Aviation       | 20+               | 150              | Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter      | Applied Aerospace Structures | 36              | 40+              |
| C-5 Aircraft                        | LM Georgia          | 50+               | 256              | NFIRE Spacecraft                 | Spectrum Astro               | 14              | 185              |
| YSH-60F VTDP Helicopter             | Piasecki            | 30+               | 100              | Deep Impact Spacecraft           | Ball Aerospace               | 20+             | 193              |
| C130 Aircraft                       | Snow Aviation       | 20+               | 110+             | ESPAD                            | Oceaneering                  | 20+             | 71               |
| EC130J Aircraft                     | LM Palmdale         | 30+               | 80+              | Mars Exploration Rovers          | JPL                          | 20+             | 50+              |
| F117A                               | LM Palmdale         | 15+               | 50+              | STAR2 Satellite                  | Orbital Sciences             | 30+             | 195+             |
| T-50 Trainer/Fighter                | Korean Aerospace    | 50+               | 275+             | Astrolink Antenna                | Northrop Grumman             | 30+             | 1934             |
| JSF X-32 CTOL & CV Aircraft (2)     | Boeing              | 50+               | 300+             | BSAT-2 Satellite                 | Orbital Sciences             | 15+             | 192              |
| JSF X-35 CTOL & CV Aircraft (2)     | LM Palmdale         | 50+               | 300+             |                                  |                              | 20+             | 231              |
| JSF Aircraft Control Surfaces       | LM Skunk Works      | 10+               | 20+              | P-91 Satellite                   | Boeing (Rockwell)            |                 |                  |
| F117A                               | LM Skunk Works      | 104               | 50+              | Indostar Satellite               | Orbital Sciences (CTA)       | 48              | 162              |
|                                     |                     | 100+              | 300+             | CSI Evolutionary Model           | NASA Langley/LM              | 40+             | 103              |
| F/A-18 E/F Fighter Aircraft         | Boeing (Douglas)    |                   |                  | ASTREX                           | Phillips Lab                 | 25+             | 126              |
| C-17 Airplane                       | Boeing (Douglas)    | 100+              | 406              | Space Station Models (2)         | NASA Langley                 | 10+             | 100+             |
| Tucano Fighter with/without Stores  | Shorts              | 30+               | 100              | Starlab POB                      | LM Sunnyvale                 | 50+             | 140+             |
| C-101 Trainer/Light Attack Aircraft | CASA                | 50+               | 100+             | FltSatCom Satellite              | Northrop Grumman             | 33              | 90+              |
| T-46 Trainer Aircraft (4)           | Fairchild           | 30                | 80+              | Galileo Satellite                | JPL                          | 27              | 100+             |
| P-3 AEW Airplane                    | LM Burbank          | 30                | 100+             | CMCM                             | Orbital Sciences             | 10+             | 80               |
| Predator A Stores                   | General Atomics/ASI | 50+               | 160              | NFIRE Fairing                    | Orbital Sciences             | 22              | 120              |
| Predator A Ventral Fin              | General Atomics/ASI | 40+               | 70               | SRALT Launch Vehicle             | Orbital Sciences             | 30              | 128              |
| RQ-4B UAV                           | Northrop Grumman    | 28+               | 238              | Thaad IGA                        | BAE                          | 20              | 12               |
| ALTAIR UAV with Pod                 | General Atomics/ASI | 20+               | 60               | SSST Target                      | Orbital Sciences             | 32              | 60               |
| RQ-8B VTUAV                         | Northrop Grumman    | 20+               | 201              | Hyper-X Pegasus Fin              | Orbital Sciences             | 10              | 20               |
| Predator B Tail                     | General Atomics/ASI | 10+               | 64               | RL10B-2 Engine for Delta 4       | Pratt and Whitney            | 30+             | 150              |
| Predator B UAV                      | General Atomics/ASI | 300+              | 200              | SRALT                            | Coleman Aerospace            | 40+             | 115              |
| Predator B Meridian B Pod Only      | General Atomics/ASI | 20                | 90               |                                  |                              |                 |                  |
| Predator B Meridian B with Pod      | General Atomics/ASI | 48                | 140+             | LRALT                            | Coleman Aerospace            | 20+             | 147              |
| BQM                                 | Northrop Grumman    | 30+               | 100              | NMD EKV                          | MRC                          | 10+             | 40+              |
| Altair BAMS Stores                  | General Atomics/ASI | 15                | 72               | NMD Stage 2-3 Pyroshock          | UT/CSD                       | N.A.            | 117              |
| Aircraft Test Vehicle               | LM Palmdale         | 20+               | 80+              | MBRV-I, MBRV-II                  | Coleman Aerospace            | 10+             | 90               |
| Hunter/Killer UAV                   | General Atomics/ASI | 54                | 168              | X-38 ASE Shuttle Cradle          | ABB                          | 10+             | 80+              |
| ALTAIR UAV                          | General Atomics/ASI | 73                | 165+             | RL10B-2 Engine for Delta 3       | Pratt and Whitney            | 30+             | 200              |
| RQ-8A UAV                           | Northrop Grumman    | 20+               | 195              | X-34 & L-1011 Carrier Aircraft   | Orbital Sciences             | 350+            | 240+             |
| UCAV                                | NASA Dryden         | 30+               | 64+              | Castor IVA and 120 SRMs          | Thiokol                      | 20+             | 261              |
| Predator, Predator B UAV            | General Atomics/ASI | 30+               | 230              | RL10B-2 Delta 3 Nozzle           | Pratt and Whitney            | 10+             | 150+             |
| JASSM Air Vehicle                   | LM Palmdale         | 10+               | 84               | Pegasus Launch Vehicle           | Orbital Sciences             | 25+             | 180+             |
| JASSM Air Vehicle                   | LM Skunk Works      | 10+               | 60+              |                                  |                              |                 | 80+              |
| Darkstar UAV                        | LM Skunk Works      | 25+               | 150+             | Taurus Launch Vehicle            | Orbital Sciences             | 7               |                  |
| Tier II+ Global Hawk UAV (2)        | Northrop Grumman    | 90+               | 290+             | Atlas II Payload Fairing (2)     | LM San Diego                 | 20+             | 108              |
| Darkstar UAV                        | LM Skunk Works      | 25+               | 80+              | Shuttle Orbiter Body Flap (3)    | NASA-JSC                     | 6               | 50+              |
| Durnstur Univ                       |                     | 237               | 001              | Commercial Titan DPCA            | LM Denver                    | 33              | 180+             |
|                                     |                     | Commercial Aircr  | aft              | Transfer Orbit Stage             | LM Denver                    | 20              | 140+             |
|                                     |                     | Military Aircraft | İ                | Small ICBM Stages I,II, III      | Thiokol, Aerojet             | 26–35           | 90+              |
|                                     |                     |                   |                  |                                  |                              |                 |                  |

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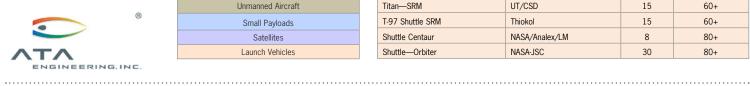
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| Small Payloads      |  |
| Satellites          |  |
| Launch Vehicles     |  |



CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: Applied SuperConetics, Cymer, Perkin-Elmer, Pratt & Whitney, Solar Turbines, FMI, Cummings Aerospace

PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Amusement-park rides, power-generation equipment, commercial and military vehicles, industrial machinery, large rotating equipment, metal-processing mills, rocket engines, consumer electronics, precision laser equipment, magnetic resonance imaging equipment

#### CODES UTILIZED:

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## **Operational Testing**

### OVERVIEW

Operational tests can be used to evaluate performance parameters and to troubleshoot problems, such as excessive vibration or premature fatigue failure of critical components. Identifying operating characteristics of equipment can confirm initial design objectives and ensure that problems will not be encountered in the future. Fatigue life estimates can also be investigated when the original design does not meet long-term operational integrity. Obtaining operating data is often the first step in a troubleshooting operation and can lend valuable insight when fixing problems. ATA has a wealth of experience not only in collecting operating data but also in interpreting the results and helping to solve real problems.

A key to understanding a structure's behavior as well as solving vibration problems is measurement of the operating environment. This kind of testing can determine both operating loads and responses such as strain, deflection, and acceleration. ATA has many years of experience in operational testing and is well qualified to both plan and execute these tests. Typical structures that we test include amusement park rides (supporting structures and running components), power generation equipment, vehicles (including large-scale people movers and monorail systems), large fans and mining equipment, metal-processing mills, motor-driven consumer electronics, and aircraft. ATA has all of the equipment required to install transducers, make measurements, and analyze the test data remotely or on site.

ATA routinely measures and interprets the following types of operational test data:

- Displacement
- ▷ Dynamic and/or static strain
- Acceleration
- ▷ Force and pressure
- Acoustic sound power levels
- Velocity
- GPS
- ▷ Temperature

ATA's industry-leading high-channel-count acceleration and dynamic strain measurement capabilities allow us to provide a unique, high-value operational test solution by minimizing the number of individual test runs that must be performed to gather all required data. All equipment is fully portable and ruggedized for easy transport to a customer's site and performing data acquisition in tough environments. Smaller articles can be tested at ATA's in-house laboratory.

ATA performs operational tests on a wide variety of large equipment including rocket engines and power generators



ATA also performs operational testing of high-precision products such as laser lithography systems, MRIs, and disk drives





CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: Wyle, NTS, BMT, Boeing, Sandia National Laboratory, Northrop Grumman, Pratt and Whitney

PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Qualification and environmental stress screening of electronic boxes, satellites

#### **KEY SPECIFICATIONS:**

B&K LDS V830-335-SPA16k Sine force (peak): 2200 lbf Slip table size: 24"x24" Head expander size: 24"x24"

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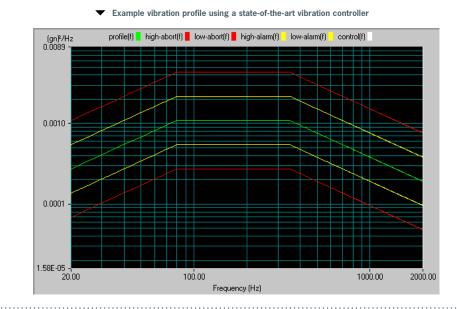
## **Environmental Testing**

### OVERVIEW

Environmental tests, which may be required in order to meet a standard or used to quickly assess the structural adequacy of a design, can be used to evaluate performance parameters and to troubleshoot problems such as excessive vibration or premature fatigue failure of critical components before the equipment is ever used in the field. ATA has years of experience in conducting environmental testing at other testing facilities and has recently added the capabilities to conduct testing in-house. ATA has a B&K LDS V830 shaker capable of random, sine, and shock testing for small and medium-sized components.



ATA provides additional value with a wide array of data acquisition systems and sensors. In addition to an eight-channel vibration controller, ATA maintains more than a thousand channels of acquisition equipment capable of measuring acceleration, displacement, dynamic strain, temperature, force, and acoustic sound pressure levels. Finally, ATA's postprocessing tools using our own IMAT MATLAB toolkit, providing real-time information to make an informed engineering decision.





CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: Brunswick Aerospace, Ford Aerospace, IBM, Martinez & Turek, Qualcomm, Wenzlau, Cummings Aerospace

PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Commercial and military vehicles, amusement park rides, robotics, satellite transporters, mobile shelters, ground-based antennas

CODES UTILIZED: Siemens I-deas® NX Series, IMAT™, Test for I-deas software, MATLAB®

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## Fatigue, Durability, Performance, and Road Testing

### OVERVIEW

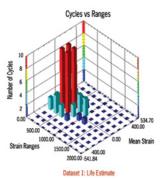
ATA's experience includes component and system testing utilizing strain gages, accelerometers, and many other available measurement devices. We can perform million-cycle tests or experimentally record the duty cycle and analytically predict the life of a structure. ATA's experience in this area extends to testing and evaluation of amusement park rides, automotive equipment, aerospace components, robotics, large-scale transportation vehicles, and other systems.

We typically use a variety of data acquisition systems and our own IMAT MATLAB toolkit for acquiring and analyzing strain gage data. ATA has one of the largest channel count strain conditioning systems in the industry and can acquire over one hundred channels of strain data concurrently. All data are collected with stand-alone digital data acquisition systems. This allows all channels to be measured simultaneously in rough environments without the need for a computer. The data can be reviewed immediately after each test run for quick-look verification. ATA's proprietary postprocessing tools greatly reduce the amount of time that a structure or vehicle has to be kept out of service for testing. Quick assessment of sensor functionality, repeatability, and overall measurement quality is completed within a few minutes after each test run.

Using ATA's proprietary MATLAB-based strain measurement toolkit, measured time histories can be converted to units of stress and subjected to rainflow cycle counting to provide 2-D histograms mapping stress ranges against mean stress values. Dynamic peak stress charts, a unique visualization of structural dynamic activity developed by ATA, can also be generated to precisely locate when and where high levels of stress occur during a typical operational test run. ATA is experienced in the evaluation of measured strain data according to most of the applicable fatigue codes, including DIN 1501.

Test measurement of actual duty cycles allows accurate predictions of the fatigue life of structures







CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: ATK, Boeing, Harmon Kardon, ITT, Kistler, Lockheed Martin, Pratt & Whitney, Seagate, Space Systems Loral

PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Satellite systems, launch vehicles and fairings, rocket motors, jet and propeller aircraft, automobiles, ships, consumer electronics

CODES UTILIZED:

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## Vibroacoustics

## OVERVIEW

ATA engineers are among the industry leaders in the field of vibroacoustics, the study of problems involving sound transmitted through or radiating from vibrating structures and vibration or stress induced by high intensity acoustic loading. The company maintains a comprehensive suite of the latest vibroacoustic engineering tools, which include the following:

- ▷ Field and laboratory test-measuring of sound pressure, sound intensity, vibration, and stress
- Statistical energy analysis (SEA) for wide bandwidth problems and system-level design
- ▷ Finite element and boundary element (BE) analysis for detailed structural-acoustic design

ATA's vibroacoustic engineering tools and experience allow the company to assist almost any program to predict product performance very early in the design stage. Our first task is often to define the loads for complex operating environments, including acoustic, aerodynamic, random vibration, and shock loads. We then use analysis tools, SEA, and finite element/BE analysis to provide valuable input to primary structure design. ATA also supports detailed design of add-on noise insulation or silencing treatments and vibration isolation or damping treatments—all optimized for minimum cost and lowest added mass.

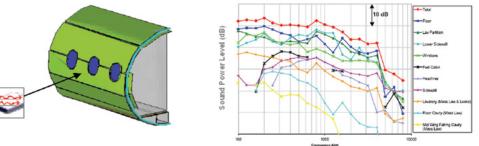
For noise reduction and sonic fatigue mitigation problems encountered in operating products and systems, ATA typically uses a cost-effective combination of test and SEA or BE analysis. This test/analysis approach ensures fast and reliable problem diagnosis and establishes a quantitative physics-based model for accurately evaluating the most effective design change options.

Common applications include the following:

- Defining random vibration and acoustic environments for equipment on satellites
- Launch vehicle and payload fairing design for liftoff acoustics, buffet and aero-elasticity, transonic aerodynamics, separation shocks, and reentry loads
- Aircraft/rotorcraft fuselage and interior trim design for control of cockpit and cabin noise levels, both subsonic and supersonic
- ATA uses boundary element analysis for fairing interior acoustic and random vibration analyses of rocket motors



ATA uses statistical energy analysis (SEA) for design of aircraft fuselage and interior trim to meet cabin noise control targets





CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: Air Force Research Laboratory, Cessna, General Atomics Aeronautical Systems Inc., NASA, Northrop Grumman

PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Launch vehicles, payload fairings, airframes, fuel tanks, wind turbines, turbofan engines, heat exchangers, flow meters, and medical devices

#### CODES UTILIZED:

STAR-CCM+ (by CD-adapco) including parallel licenses, Abaqus CEL (by Simulia), NX Thermal/Flow, TMG/ESC for I-deas and Femap, U<sup>2</sup>NCLE, and CHEM

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## **Computational Fluid Dynamic (CFD) Analysis**

#### OVERVIEW

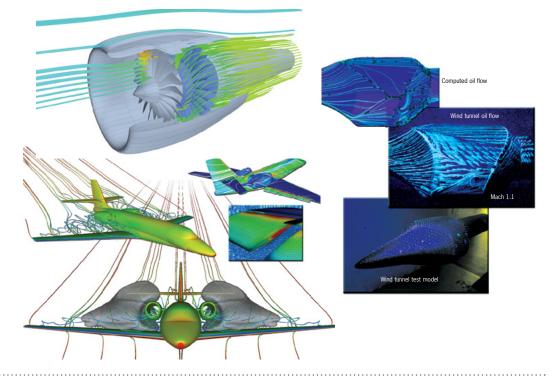
Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) is the process of numerically solving fluid dynamics equations to predict resultant flow fields. It is used to model a rich variety of flow phenomena, as well as to define thermal and structural loads on bodies immersed in fluids. ATA is experienced in performing CFD analyses for aerospace and industrial customers. Typical applications include flows over launch vehicles and stands, airframes and airframe components, rocket plumes, fuel tanks, heat exchangers, and turbomachinery. ATA's CFD analysis support includes the following:

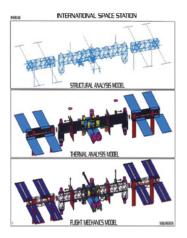
- Flow simulation and visualization
- Fluid-structure interaction
- Structural design optimization
- Advanced methods development

ATA is experienced with a variety of CFD analysis software including STAR-CCM+, Abaqus CEL, NX Thermal/ Flow, TMG/ESC for I-deas and Femap, U<sup>2</sup>NCLE, and CHEM. We run our simulations on up to 32 parallel processors in-house; however, additional computing resources are available if required. Other pre- and postprocessing software tools are used on occasion, and ATA's CFD analysts are experienced with software such as Gambit and Tecplot and can convert data to and from these and other software packages depending on customer preferences. CFD simulations typically result in large output data sets, and ATA works closely with customers to interpret and visualize the results and create meaningful and impactful graphics.

Sometimes flow simulation and visualization are the primary objectives of a CFD analysis; however, multidisciplinary analyses that couple CFD results to a thermal, structural, or vibro-acoustics model are often required. The ATA Engineering team is experienced in working in a multidisciplinary environment. For example, we have commercialized an in-house code to map CFD pressure data to structural models, we work with our software partners to provide feedback for new code features, and we develop advanced analysis methods under SBIR funding.

 ATA has provided CFD services for a variety of applications, frequently coupling the results to thermal, structural, and vibroacoustics analysis





CUSTOMERS INCLUDE: Boeing, Lawrence Livermore National Labs, Lockheed Martin, Micromotion, MTS, NASA, Sandia National Labs

PRODUCT EXPERIENCE INCLUDES: Software specification development, CAE software translators, software integration, multidisciplinary process improvement, test data processing toolkits, temperature and pressure mapping programs, MATLABbased software development, Open Architecture software, advanced CAE analysis software tools, graphical-user interfaces

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## Software Development, Process Improvement, and Integration

#### OVERVIEW

For many years, ATA has developed custom and commercial engineering software with a strong focus on the integration or interfacing of dependent but stand-alone software solutions. This focus is based on our experience in the performance on multidisciplinary engineering programs and the identification of new methods and processes to improve the speed and quality of customers' existing processes.

ATA typically develops customer-specific solutions based on our customer's tools and processes and which provide improvements in time, quality, and cost. Based on an analysis of their particular requirements and processes, we develop use cases that can drive a software specification. The final software package is driven by this specification and user acceptance testing as the development progresses. An example of this is the I-deas Exodus Translator (IXT) for Sandia National Labs. Here, ATA developed an interface between Siemens I-deas<sup>®</sup> and the Sandia Exodus database that allowed virtually all of their in-house finite element codes to take advantage of the sophisticated I-deas finite element model generation and results display capabilities.

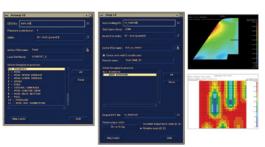
ATA staff also develop tools for multi-organizational programs. A key example of this is the I-deas<sup>2</sup> software product used for conceptual design of the International Space Station. This software product was developed for the NASA Centers and the Program Support Contractor for all preliminary analysis. It allowed more than 75 engineers from all engineering disciplines including structures, dynamics, orbital mechanics, thermal, and more to develop their models based on an automatic abstraction of the same geometry.

ATA also develops commercially available products that support analysis- and test-driven design, including the following products:

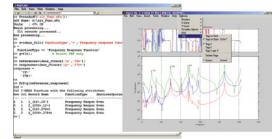
- ATS: Automated Test Setup package for TEDS sensors
- Attune: Test and analysis model updating and correlation toolkit
- ▷ IMAT: I-deas Test to MATLAB<sup>®</sup> interface and toolkit
- ▷ HeatMap and PressMap: Map temperatures and pressures from aeroheating and CFD codes to I-deas NX
- > Automated Strain Interface (ASI): Configure VXI strain gage hardware for dynamic-strain measurements
- ATRAN: Convert response histories/spectra from one file format to another (including Nastran punchcards and tables, universal files, OP2 files, and comma-separated values)
- ▷ TRATRAN: TRASYS to I-deas translator

ATA is also a value-added reseller (VAR) for the Siemens suite of Computer-Aided Engineering (CAE) digital simulation tools including NX CAE, NX I-deas, NX Nastran, and Femap. We work hand in hand with Siemens to provide software sales, pre/post sales technical support, training, and implementation services. For more information on these products, contact Dave Hunt at 858.480.2095 or by e-mail at dave.hunt@ata-e.com.

Map pressure and aero-heating results to structural models



Import and manipulate I-deas test data in MATLAB using IMAT





CUSTOMERS INCLUDE:

**Ball Aerospace Corporation, Boeing Commercial Airplane** Group, Bose, Caterpillar, Honeywell, Lockheed Martin, NASA, Nokia, Northrop **Grumman, Orbital Sciences** Corporation

CLASS LOCATIONS:

ATA San Diego or customer site (minimum of six students required for on-site training)

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## Training



## OVERVIEW

ATA provides training in a broad range of engineering disciplines. Training can either be based on standardized training materials or can be customized for your specific application. Courses can be held at your location or at ATA's headquarters in San Diego.

ATA is the developer of Siemens PLM Software's NX Nastran courses and is the preferred provider of NX Nastran training in North America. Nastran courses developed and taught by ATA include the following:

Introduction to Finite Element Analysis

Introduction to Dynamic Analysis

- ▷ Superelement Analysis
- **DDAM** Analysis  $\triangleright$
- Advanced Dynamic Analysis

Introduction to DMAP

These courses are taught with various pre/post processors including Femap and NX. Our instructors, all expert users of Nastran, have in many instances personally developed the class material. In addition to Nastran training, ATA offers training in the following Siemens PLM Software tools:

- $\triangleright$ NX Response Simulation
- Introduction to Femap Pre- and Post-processing
- I-deas Response Analysis
- Advanced Femap Pre- and Post-processing
- I-deas Durability Analysis  $\triangleright$

ATA engineers have provided expert services to the aerospace industry for over thirty years and, based on this experience, have developed and provide the following aerospace-specific classes:

- $\triangleright$ Thermal Analysis of Spacecraft
- Vibro-Acoustic Analysis of Aerospace Structures
- $\triangleright$ Structural Dynamic Analysis for Aerospace Structures

ATA classes provide extensive hands-on workshops based on practical examples so that attendees can leverage the training immediately upon returning to work. Training materials are routinely updated to include the latest features and functionality. Classes are rated as "excellent" by students in content, instructors, equipment, and overall course experience; students consistently rate the classes as "much better than" other CAE classes they have attended.

Custom training can also be provided in the following areas:

- Solid Modeling, Design, and Drafting Coupled Loads Analysis
- $\triangleright$ Finite Element Modeling and Analysis

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- Modal Test Theory and Application

Class instructors come from our industry-leading technical staff and are highly skilled consultants who possess excellent communication skills. The classes aim to provide engineers with skills that can immediately be applied in their jobs.

To receive regular updates on class schedules and new class offerings, sign up for our quarterly training newsletter by emailing John Bretl at john.bretl@ata-e.com.

 $\triangleright$ Sensitivity and Optimization

Coupled Structure/Acoustics Analysis



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### UNIQUE HIGH-VALUE TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS

ATA Engineering solves design problems. Through our unique combination of test and analysis capabilities, knowledge of your products, and the expertise and dedication of our people, we have established a reputation for excellence over the last thirty years and distinguished ourselves from other service providers.

We are able to provide unique, creative, and comprehensive solutions to your design concerns:

- We can provide integrated design, analysis, and test teams with all the skills needed to support a complete design project, or we can supplement your existing staff on a person-by-person as-needed basis.
- We have best-in-industry test and analysis tools that maximize our productivity and support your tight schedules and budgets.
- Our staff has an average of more than twelve years of relevant industry experience per person.
- We have experience in a broad cross-section of industries which allows us to leverage the best-of-the-best tools, processes, and methods on your design.

### WHAT OUR CUSTOMERS SAY

"ATA has excellent technical capabilities and has proven itself to be a valuable asset during the development and qualification of the RL10B-2 for the Delta IV program."

**Frank Moerhle** Senior Structural Engineer Pratt & Whitney

# "ATA was directly responsible for ensuring the success of our program and saving tens of thousands of dollars of recovered schedule."

**Craig Huber** X-34 GVT Test Director Orbital Sciences Corporation

"ATA staff went above and beyond in order to complete the instrumentation in time for the test. ATA is an excellent company to do business with. You are a team player and committed to making the customer's test a success."

Phil Mott Staff Engineer Lockheed Martin Space Operations

"As always, ATA performed excellently in a very technically challenging project with a very compressed schedule. ATA has become a valuable member of the Martinez and Turek, Inc. design team."

**Dwight Leung** VP, Engineering Martinez and Turek, Inc.

"During the project some unforeseen work developed which would have hindered a launch – ATA staff sacrificed much personal time to support analyses and develop a methodology which allowed for a better understanding of issues. The work by ATA was recognized and appreciated by Lockheed Martin and the Air Force customer."

Sandra Mossman Titan IV Technical Lead Lockheed Martin Corporation

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