Editorial: Annual Business and News

HIS past year has been a very successful one for the Journal of Guidance, Control, and Dynamics (JGCD). The JGCD remains number two in the total number of domestic and international subscriptions among the seven AIAA journals. And now, as a bonus, a subscription to the JGCD allows on-line access to the entire 27-year JGCD archive. Almost 400 new papers were submitted in 2004—more than in any of the past 15 years. The implementation of our Web-based manuscript submission and management system (WriteTrack) continued to be improved, and the system is fully operational. The entire editorial and review process is faster, more accurate, and less labor intensive. From March 2003 through September 2004, the median time from submission to acceptance was reduced to 154 days with author revision time accounting for more than half of the time. The editorial team thanks the AIAA team for their continuing help in designing, implementing, and upgrading the system.

In 2004, we finished the Centennial of Flight series begun in 2003 by publishing several History of Key Technologies papers:

- (January)—"Evolution, Revolution, and Challenges of Handling Qualities," D. G. Mitchell et al.
- (March)—"Flight Control Century: Triumphs of the Systems Approach," D. McRuer and D. Graham
 - —"A History of Analytical Orbit Modeling in the U.S. Space Surveillance System," F. R. Hoots, P. W. Schumacher Jr., and R. A. Glover

In total, there were nine papers in the series, and I want to thank all of the authors for their special efforts in writing these interesting contributions. Also, thanks to Associate Editor David Doman for organizing a special section on Reusable Launch Vehicle Guidance and Control in the November–December issue.

In past editorials I have written about the progress made during the year toward meeting the goals that I have as Editor-in-Chief. The goals are to 1) maintain the quality of the *JGCD*, 2) increase the number of engineering-applications-oriented papers, 3) minimize the time from submission to publication, 4) increase the international involvement in the *JGCD*, and 5) listen to and respond to everyone's concerns. Let me briefly discuss each item.

The *JGCD* continues to attract high-quality papers submitted on a worldwide basis. On any given date, typically 130 papers were in the process of being evaluated. However, the number of applications-oriented papers submitted still needs to be increased and I repeat the call to the community to respond with more relevant papers that can help engineers practice their profession.

The Associate Editors continue to shorten the time from submission of a paper to the time the review comments are returned to the author. Our goal is to return every paper in under three months of receipt. Then it is up to the authors to make revisions as quickly as possible to speed their papers toward publication. Currently, author revision time is the single largest contributor to delays in acceptance. There is currently a fairly large backlog of papers ready to be published because WriteTrack produced many finished papers while papers from the previous manual process were also still being finished. We are publishing the "oldest" papers first as we work off the backlog.

International participation in the *JGCD* has increased from previous levels. More than 50% of new paper submittals were from outside the United States and the acceptance rate for those papers has been about the same as for U.S. papers. Publication tends to be a bit slower, however, as more of these papers need extensive editorial work and revisions of figures. Our International Advisors have been very helpful in soliciting papers. The fact that the *JGCD* archive is on-line should aid our international authors in their research and also increase our international subscription base.

The editorial staff has a concern that there are a few individuals submitting minor variations of the same paper to multiple AIAA journals or to other technical publications. Authors should be aware that WriteTrack provides a history of each author's submissions to all of the AIAA journals and gives the editorial staff the ability to inspect them. We are maintaining the high standards of all of the AIAA journals and will normally not consider a paper that has been declined by another AIAA journal. Also, authors should realize that they cannot copy, without attribution, parts of any of their previous works (copyrighted or not) and, obviously, any parts of other authors' works. The latter situation will be treated very seriously by the Publications Ethics Committee.

With this issue, I am announcing several changes to our Editorial staff.

First, retiring Associate Editors are

- Prof. Kurt Anderson, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Dr. Alain Carrier, Lockheed Martin Advanced Technology Center
- · Prof. Jonathan How, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Mr. Stephen Osder, Osder Associates

I want to express my personal thanks to our retired Associate Editors for their service. Steve Osder ends 27 years of outstanding volunteer service to the *JGCD* and Steve deserves a special note of appreciation.

Then, renewed with thanks for their continuing service as Associate Editors are

- Prof. Richard Colgren, University of Kansas
- Dr. Hari Hablani, The Boeing Company
- Prof. Ping Lu, Iowa State University
- Dr. Michael McFarland, SAIC
- Prof. Mark L. Psiaki, Cornell University
- Dr. M. Bala Subrahmanyam, Lockheed Martin Advanced Technology Center
- Prof. Panagiotis Tsiotras, Georgia Institute of Technology

I would like to welcome the following new Associate Editors:

- Prof. John Crassidis, University of Buffalo, SUNY
- Prof. Fidelis O. Eke, University of California at Davis
- Dr. Bruce Kothmann, The Boeing Company, Rotorcraft Division
- Mr. James Mitchell, Boeing Commercial Airplanes, The Boeing Company,

The complete list including biographical sketches of current Associate Editors is presented in the following pages.

I express my gratitude to all of the reviewers who perform the peer reviews that are necessary to maintain the quality of the *JGCD*. The list of reviewers contributing between 1 October 2003 and 30 September 2004 follows the list of Associate Editors. I apologize to any reviewers whose names have been inadvertently omitted from the list.

I would like to acknowledge our International Advisors who help us in soliciting high-quality papers that represent the technical efforts in their countries. They also assist authors who may have questions about the review process. For his service, I would like to thank our retired International Advisor, Prof. Mario Innocenti, of the University of Pisa, Italy.

Special acknowledgements go to the individuals who served as liaison between the *JGCD* and an AIAA Technical Committee (TC): Prof. Mark Balas, University of Colorado, with the Guidance, Navigation & Control TC; Dr. Ronald Proulx, Draper Laboratory, with the Astrodynamics TC; Prof. John Valasek, Texas A&M University, with the Atmospheric Flight Mechanics TC; and Dr. Karl

Bilimoria, NASA Ames Research Center, with the Air Transportation Systems TC. Starting this year, Prof. Yaakov Oshman, Technion—Israel Institute of Technology, will serve as liaison with the GNC TC and former Associate Editor Dr. Sanjay Garg, NASA Glenn Research Center, will serve as liaison with the Intelligent Systems TC.

Thanks to all of the editorial staff at AIAA Headquarters and to the production staff at TechBooks. These dedicated individuals work at the highest standards in producing the *JGCD*. Thanks to Ms. Lisa Gorman and Ms. Loretta Mitrano, Draper Laboratory, for making the Editor-in-Chief's office operate smoothly and efficiently all year long and to Draper Laboratory for its support of the *JGCD*.

Finally, I continue to encourage communications between our readers and any member of the Editorial Staff. I also believe we did a good job last year in covering the span of interests of our readers and in responding quickly to communications. We can always do better and we are willing to listen; please contact me directly. My contact information is

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