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#### THE COVER PICTURE

The two cores shown on the cover are from Leg 64, The Guymas Basin. Both cores recovered Quaternary sediments, and despite the great difference in degree of disturbance, the shipboard party concluded that the upper 152 m is duplicated in the two holes. The following is an excerpt from the shipboard core descriptions:

Site 479, Core 12	Cored Interval:	98 to 107.5 m sub-bottom
		100% recovery

"Uniform, moderate olive brown (5Y 4/4) muddy diatomaceous ooze, and rare streaks of lighter pale olive (10Y 6/2). Any bedding has been totally disturbed. No evidence of varves, sand or  $H_2S$  gas."

Site 480, Core 20 Cored Interval: 95 to 99.5 m sub-bottom 99% recovery

"Moderate olive brown (5Y 4/4) muddy diatomaceous ooze and pale olive (10Y 6/2) diatomaceous ooze laminae occur together as varve-like couplets on a mm-scale. A gray sand layer occurs with a discordant, sharp contact against the varves, but shows no grading. Unconformities and some cross-bedding observed in the varved section."

Core 12, Site 479 was taken using conventional rotary drilling technique. Core 20, Site 480 was taken using the Hydraulic Piston Corer (HPC-15).

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#### INTRODUCTION

This Deep Sea Drilling Project Technical Report No. 12 includes a paper on the design and operation of the Hydraulic Piston Corer authored by M.A. Storms, Wil Nugent and D. H. Cameron. Design analyses and detail drawings are included in an appendix.

The Hydraulic Piston Corer was developed at the Deep Sea Drilling Project in response to a scientific requirement for undisturbed core of the upper unlithified section of the seafloor. Conventional coring practice severely disturbed the soft oozes and clays. The new tool recovered complete and undisturbed cores greatly improving stratigraphic resolution. The device also extended by an order of magnitude, the depth capability of piston coring. Conventional piston and gravity corers were limited to approximately 30 meters of penetration. The hydraulic piston corer, through its repeatable process, has penetrated sediments in excess of 300 meters below the seafloor.

Operational tests of the 4.5 m Hydraulic Piston Corer conducted on Leg 64 (December 1978-January 1979), obtained an almost totally undisturbed and complete section from a 152 meter hole along the Guaymas slope in the central Gulf of California. The Hydraulic Piston Corer fully penetrated sediments with shear strengths of 1200 grams per square centimeter recovering in excess of 80% on most cores. Penetration decreased with increasing sediment stiffness. The maximum shear strength of recovered sediment was 3185 grams per square centimeter.

Beginning with Leg 80 (May 1981-July 1981), an improved coring system, referred to as the Variable Length Hydraulic Piston Corer (VLHPC), was utilized. The VLHPC is capable of recovering cores up to 9.5 m in length. Recovery has averaged more than 93% with some holes achieving 100%. In addition, an absolute core orientation system was added and a capability to measure heat flow in situ.

Piston coring operations are conducted with the wireline remaining attached to the barrel. This saves the time required to pump down the core barrel and makes for a more efficient coring system.

The VLHPC recovers core in a standard butyrate core liner. The core bit used is a special 11.5" O.D. roller cone core bit with a 3.62" core throat. Coring must be discontinued when the sediments become too indurated. The VLHPC system is not designed for drilling and coring in hard rock.

A coring system is under development which will be capable of continuing the penetration on to basement. This coring system, called the Extended Core Barrel (XCB), will be compatible with the VLHPC bottom hole assembly. Thus, the XCB will continue coring from that point at which VLHPC coring operations are halted without necessitating a trip of the drill string.

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The Hydraulic Piston Corer (HPC) was designed and developed by Mr. M. A. Storms of the Deep Sea Drilling Project's development engineering group. The HPC proved to be a highly successful adaptation of rotary coring capability to the taking of high quality piston cores. The concept of a high-speed hydraulic ram/corer powered by rig pump pressure has extended the reach of high quality piston cores from 30 to 300 meters below the seafloor of the deep ocean. This capability is contributing to improved understanding of the earth's past climate and to geologic processes reaching back some 15,000,000 years. Mr. Wil Nugent contributed to the system through mathematical analysis and design. Mr. D. Cameron assisted with fabrication and sea trials of the HPC. Mr. S. T. Serocki, Chief Development Engineer, provided general direction of the work. Overall supervision was by Mr. F. C. MacTernan, Deputy Project Manager.

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### HYDRAULIC PISTON CORING A NEW ERA IN OCEAN RESEARCH

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#### ABSTRACT

In December of 1978, the Deep Sea Drilling Project, International Phase of Ocean Drilling, deployed the first hydraulically actuated piston corer. This coring system utilized a hydraulic piston principle. Fluid was pumped through the drill pipe, activating a piston driven core barrel which was ejected into the sediment at the rate of approximately 20 feet per second. This extremely high penetration rate effectively decoupled the core barrel from the heave induced vertical motion of the drill string. On completion of each coring operation, the core barrel assembly was retrieved by wireline. The core bit was then "washed" down to the next coring point where the piston coring procedure was repeated. Operational tests conducted in 865 meter water depth during Leg 64 obtained an almost totally undisturbed and complete section from a 152-meter hole along the Guaymas slope in the central Gulf of California. Variations in climate, productivity and circulation for more than 250,000 years were recorded. This paper describes the analysis, design, testing and field operation of the hydraulic Piston Coring System.

#### Deep Sea Drilling Project

The Deep Sea Drilling Project (DSDP) began coring in August of 1968. Funding and direction was given by the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Ocean Sediment Coring Program. Their mandate was to increase man's knowledge of the earth's development through an ambitious ocean sediment coring program. The Prime Contract for the Project was executed in 1966 between NSF and the University of California (UC) Board of Regents. Scripps Institution of Oceanography, an integral part of the UC system, was to be responsible for management of the Project. Global Marine Inc. (GMI), through a subcontract with Scripps, was to provide the drilling vessel and crew.

Major oceanographic institutions of the United States were called upon to support the proposed drilling program by contributing to the planning of the scientific objectives. The resultant organization became known as "Joint Oceanographic Institutions for Deep Earth Sampling (JOIDES". These institutions for Deep Earth Sampling (JOIDES)". These institutions continue to provide scientific guidance for the drilling effort.

#### International Phase of Ocean Drilling

Prompted by the vast scientific and technical successes of the first seven years, the Project increased the scope of the coring program to include even deeper penetrations into the ocean floor. International interest in the Project was increasing. Several foreign scientific institutions, excited by past scientific results and confident of future successes, were interested in becoming members of JOIDES. These institutions were willing to contribute financially to the Project in exchange for a greater role in the scientific planning. In 1975, the "International Phase of Ocean Drilling", known as IPOD, was born. IPOD was an initial three-year Deep Crustal coring Program supported both scientifically and financially by the governments of France, Germany Japan, England and Russia.

#### D/V GLOMAR CHALLENGER

The GLOMAR CHALLENGER, with its unique coring procedures, has long been recognized as a major technical achievement in its own right. The 10,500 metric ton drillship utilizes an advanced on-board computer and dual bow and stern thrusters to dynamically position itself. The CHALLENGER has operated as far north as 76° latitude; as far south as 77° latitude and has the capability to maintain its station in 30-knot winds and 7-10 foot seas. Similar to conventional drillships, the vessel incorporates a 43-meter derrick amid-ship with a hookload capacity of 450 metric tons and can deploy a 7000 m drill string. The CHALLENGER utilizes an automatic pipe racker capable of handling 7,300 meters of 5-inch S-135 drill pipe, and is equipped with a drill pipe heave compensation system.

Most coring operations are conducted in very deep water and all sites are carefully screened to ensure that there is no possibility of encountering gas or hydrocarbons. For these reasons no riser or blow prevention equipment is used. Circulation while coring is provided by two National 1600 mud pumps and consists of seawater without return circulation. Core barrels are retrieved by wireline utilizing a coring winch equipped with up to 7900 m of 6 x 16 wire rope. Well equipped shipboard scientific laboratories are utilized to conduct comprehensive core analyses.

#### SCIENTIFIC OBJECTIVES

The development of the Hydraulic Piston Corer (HPC) was in response to a basic need in the science community to recover high quality cores, particularly in soft sediments. The upper 200 meters of the sedimentary column were highly disturbed during the rotary drilling process. Attempts at detailed disciplines such as paleoceanography, paleoclimatology, magnetostratigraphy and high resolution stratigraphy were all but impossible. It was apparent that some means to overcome the limitations of rotary drilling in unlithified sediments was required. Piston cores historically have provided a means to distinguish events recorded in sediments as little as one thousand years apart; events that are homogenized by rotary drilling. Oceanographic vessels were routinely taking piston cores of mudline sediments. These "conventional" piston coring systems, however, were limited to just a few tens of meters of the surface material, lacking the capability for any significant penetration.

At the request of the science community, the Deep Sea Drilling Project undertook the development of a wireline retrievable piston coring system. This new coring system was to make use of all the advantages of a "conventional" piston coring system yet be compatible with the GLOMAR CHALLENGER'S coring operation and have the capability to penetrate up to 200 meters below the ocean floor.

#### PROTOTYPE DESIGN

In responding to the scientific mandate for a CHALLENGER piston corer, a set of design and operational criteria were compiled which would govern the development of this new coring system. The corer was to be operated hydraulically; the driving force for the coring system would be the circulating pumps aboard the GLOMAR CHALLENGER. These pumps would be used to pressure the drill string. When released, the energy would drive the core barrel into the sediment at a high rate of speed (Figure 1). Actuation pressure was limited to the 2800 psi operating pressure of the circulating system. The tool was required to be wireline retrievable through 5" drill pipe with a nominal 4.12 inch inside diameter. Scientific preference dictated the nominal 2.43 inch (6.20 cm) core size.

Several areas of concern were investigated including potential column and bending loads imposed upon the core barrel itself; what lateral support could be expected from the formation and what penetration rate would have to be achieved to effectively decouple vessel motion from the tool during the coring operation.

It was recognized that occasionally the coring instrument would be ejected at a high velocity into sediment with little or no resistance. For this reason a dampening system had to be incorporated at the end of the stroke, to lower impact forces.

The Hydraulic Piston Corer design criteria was based on using equipment and techniques already developed, and proven successful, in deep sea drilling operations aboard the GLOMAR CHALLENGER. In addition, a review of advanced conventional piston coring operations was conducted with particular emphasis on sediment stiffness and shear strengths encountered in these tests. The information on subsurface foundation material densities and shear strengths compiled in DSDP Technical Report No. 9, dated September 9, 1976, was included in this review.

The design objectives were:

- \* Assess the friction coefficient of the subsurface material(s) entrained in the Hydraulic Piston Core (HPC) tool, at various penetration velocities, consistent with shipboard pumping capacity.
- \* Develop mechanization schemes in support of the HPC design.
- \* Prepare a hydraulic analysis, determine orifice sizes, and flow conditions compatible with the pumping system.
- \* Establish structural guidelines to ensure safety, repeatability of performance, and fabrication capability using immediately available materials.
- \* Implement safeguards such as snubbing to reduce end stroke impact.

\* Develop procedures for assembly and handling of the HPC compatible with rig floor operations.

#### ANALYTICAL ANALYSIS

Frictional resistance to coring was recognized to result from sediment shear, internal drag resistance of material being entrained in the corer tube, choking or overspilling at the leading edge of the tool, and external friction. Efforts were directed to the development of a single constant which could be used to characterize the total resistance. The shipboard rig pump pressure and available annulus area provided the force on the core barrel column. The displacement volume of the rig pump provided the core barrel penetration rate. A discharge orifice controlled the discharge rate of the seawater from the lower chamber, and established the maximum achievable corer barrel penetration rate.

An input force is applied by pressure on the piston. The frictional resistance consisted of mechanical sliding friction and the frictional resistance or drag due to the rate at which the hydraulic piston corer penetrated into the sediment.

The sediment was characterized as an emulsified substance rather than a slurry containing particles of discrete size suspended in a fluid. These sediments could be ooze and/or unlithified bases with shear strengths ranging from 100 to 300 grams per square centimeter. The particle grain size was small, less than 0.5 mm average diameter and greater than 50% seawater saturated.

These conditions were recognized to be outside the bounds of discrete particles, and not absolutely fluidic. The substance was similar to a dough which flows as a homogeneous mass, distinct from a turbulent fluid.

It was essential that the corer penetration velocity be controlled. Too fast a penetration rate could cause structural damage to the corer itself or induce core disturbance such as liquifaction. Too slow a penetration rate would fail to decouple the corer from the drill pipe motion, again inducing excessive core disturbance.

With these restraints in mind a velocity requirement was selected in the range of 20 feet per second and decaying not below ten feet per second during the entire coring operation.

The analysis was based on 2000 psi pump pressure and greater than 350 gallons per minute pump delivery capability to the bottom of the drill string. No allowance for compressibility of fluid was taken into account. Since the pump pressure acting on the annulus produces the coring force, the pump displacement (flow rate) produces the corer velocity. The discharge orifice, required for venting seawater from the lower chamber, was used to control the velocity of the corer. For analytical purposes it was assumed that the upper and lower chamber volumes were approximately equal. The effective pressure which discharges fluid through the orifice then becomes the net pressure, or the force on the annulus less the sediment resistance.

Other pressure losses which may occur at the discharge orifice were not considered in the analysis.

The discharge orifice is important in controlling the rate of corer penetration. For a given pressure and penetration resistance, presuming that sufficient fluid flow is available to maintain the pressure, the corer tube will travel at a velocity dependent upon the volume rate of discharge through the orifice.

The characteristics of flow through an orifice are well defined, but the behavior of the sediment when producing resistance to the force on the corer piston requires some definition, particularly for variations in sediment compaction, geology, and the depth of penetration desired.

Although the various sediment types behave neither as a fluid nor as a series of discrete particles, it was recognized that they do have a common characteristic during coring, that is the frictional or drag resistance, which is dependent upon the equation  $\tau = \mu \frac{dv}{dx}$  from which the viscosity ( $\mu$ ) of a homogenous substance may be derived when the shear stress is known.

It was assumed that the sediment was "fractured" at an infinite number of diametrically opposite locations along the circumference of the corer during penetration. Knowledge of the sediment shear strength and density allowed an estimate for a friction coefficient (f). Viscous flow conditions were assumed and the characteristic drag expression  $D = \frac{1}{2} pv^2 fX(area)$ , where v = penetration velocity and p = the mass density of the sediment, were used to define the drag resistance for each successive foot of core barrel penetration. This analytical approach connected the behavior of the material to be cores with the energy available to operate the hydraulic piston corer and the desired rate of penetration.

The drag term represented the sediment resistance to coring, and was a function of velocity. In this approach a theoretical velocity exists prior to establishing equilibrium between the driving force and the resisting force. When penetration resistance equals the force available the piston corer stops (Figure 2). Using these elementary approaches, the performance characteristics of the HPC have to date been predictable within reasonable limits.

A Fortran program was compiled which provided HPC operating forces and computed the working stress level at the critical sections of the piston corer column. This program enabled input changes to sediment shear strength, hydraulic pressure and/or shear pin release, effective piston area, side hole support, and penetration velocity to simulate actual operational conditions.

The computer generated output showed good correlation with the results from coring operations in sediment with shear strengths up to  $1200 \text{ g/cm}^2$  (2457  $1\text{b/ft}^2$ ). Experience in operation confirmed that the hydraulic piston corer performed well in water depths of 3500 m (11,483 ft), and in sediment shear strengths of 2,513 g/cm<sup>2</sup> (5,146  $1\text{b/ft}^2$ ) the piston velocity was reduced to zero. Total stroke indication was not observed, although 3.26 m (10.7 ft) of core was retrieved.

Operational results relating shear strength, hydraulic pressure and the length of core recovered, were used to develop an empirical coefficient; which accounted for the observed increase in resistance to coring, with increase in depth of penetration. These sample data were included in an analysis, which yielded the mean values for shear strength, length of core recovered, and applied pressure during coring.

Figure 2 is a data plot predicting the performance of 4.4 meter coring tool used on Leg 68. A sediment drag coefficient was developed using an expression for a uniform two-dimensional flow, which applies the effects of sediment shear strength and mass density.

#### STRUCTURAL COLUMN

Deflection of the HPC column, resulting from penetration on sloping faces, or offline impact against rock formation, was included as a constraint and analyzed.

This analytical procedure enabled the stresses to be calculated at critical sections, i.e. thread undercuts, etc., along the corer barrel by predicting the deflection and calculating the bending moment.

Additional analysis and scale model tests were conducted to determine the behavior of the upper shaft and the piston rod, for various lengths of HPC configuration. The corer barrel is unsupported when extended beyond the drill bit, but the upper shaft and the piston rod are constrained against deflection with the drill collar assembly. A moment distribution analysis and a static load test on a scale model (Figure 3) showed good correlation.

The result indicated that the maximum rig pump pressure could be applied on the HPC piston configuration, and that precautions should be taken in instances where hole drift angle or excessive side loads could be encountered. A preliminary computer program was compiled, to generate parametric data relating stress and coring length, to various differential side forces applied midway between the cutting shoe, and the drill bit support on the core barrel. Figure 4 presents the results, which indicate the potential to core into 1200 g/cm sediment and retrieve 30 ft (9.5 m) cores, using core barrels fabricated of 4130 CD steel.

#### OPERATION

The Hydraulic Piston Corer consists of two basic assemblies. An inner assembly which remains stationary during activation of the tool and an outer assembly, which scopes down along the inner assembly during tool operation (Figure 5).

When the tool is in the closed position (ready to run), shear pins secure the outer assembly to the inner assembly.

The tool is lowered down the drill pipe on the wireline until the top sub lands in a special head sub located in the bottom hole assembly. Circulation is then initiated. As the drill string begins to pressurize, the seals around the top sub effect a seal in the head sub. Pressurized water is directed through the top sub and shaft, and out the lower end of the inner seal sub into the annulus between the inner and outer seal subs.

The pressure increases until the pins shear; then the outer seal sub (attached to the outer assembly) is forced down and away from the inner seal sub (attached to the stationary shaft and piston rod). As the outer body penetrates the mud, the piston head remains stationary, causing the fluid above to be vented to the annulus. At the end of its stroke the inner seal sub, which seals along the outer body, uncovers a set of control orifices drilled through the vent sub body wall. The pressurized fluid can then vent through the orifices to relieve the pressure in the drill string and give the rig floor an indication that the corer has fully stroked. The core barrel is then retrieved, the core bit is washed down to the next coring point, and the sequence begins again.

#### SHORE BASED TESTING

Prior to field deployment a comprehensive shore based performance test was conducted. The objectives of this test were to verify the mechanical actuation, operation, and structural integrity of the hydraulic piston corer. Variables included sediment shear strength, flow rate, and shear pressure, i.e. that pressure at which the barrel releases and begins to move into the sediment.

Energy for the test system was supplied by a BJ Pacemaker "Duplex" cementing unit. This unit could supply the minimum flow rate of 350 gpm at 2000 psi required for the test.

Four different mixes of clay products were purchased to provide several variations in stiffness for the test. Table I shows the physical properties and compositions of the products used. For ease of handling, the clay was put into standard "Burke" fiber tubes normally used for pouring concrete columns. The tubes used were 12.0" inside diameter by .225" wall (regular) and were 15' in length. To support the Burke tubes during handling, a hanger system was fabricated using 16" casing. This "holder" allowed easy insertion and retrieval of the clay filled tubes into and out of the test hole. The test hole was 46-feet deep and lined with 24-inch diameter casing. The piston corer itself was handled with the aid of a 3-ton electric chain hoist located directly over the hole.

An instrumentation system was developed to determine the average penetration velocity of the tool. A pressure transducer was put in line from the BJ Pacemake pump to the test assembly. Input from the transducer was fed as an analog signal into an 8-channel multiplexed data acquisition system connected to an IBM 1130 computer. Figure 6 shows a typical pressure vs time curve obtained during a full sequence of tool operation. From this curve the shoot off point and end of stroke venting can be taken. Knowing the distance traveled and elapsed time, an average penetration velocity was determined. Test data collected with the instrumentation system compared favorably with the previously calculated theoretical data.

#### OPERATIONAL SEA TRIALS

Sea Trials were conducted on the Hydraulic Piston Corer in December 1978 and January 1979, during Leg 64. The new tool was run a total of 52 times on three sites in the Guaymas Basin of the Gulf of California.

At Site 480 (water depth 657 m), 32 cores were taken to a subbottom depth of 152 meters with an average of over 80% recovery (well over 90%, if two low recovery cores are excluded). Finely laminated sedimentary sections ranging from soft mud to very firm diatomaceous ooze were recovered virtually undisturbed. The singular success of the HPC on this site is underlined when compared to the poor quality of cores recovered in the upper 100 m through rotary coring at Site 479, only 6.8 km to the southwest (Figure 7). Only two cores had little or no recovery. On several of the lower depth runs the core liners returned cracked or partially collapsed. This is believed to have been caused by pull-out suction created when retrieving the HPC from increasingly stiff sediments. The recovery was still good and undisturbed except for the short lengths of liner collapse.

The supply of shear pins was depleted after the numerous runs at Site 480, so for the 16 runs at Site 481 (water depth 2016 m) new pins were fabricated from 3/16" brass brazing rod. Sixty four per cent of the 52.25 m sedimentary column cored was recovered, although six cores, including the last two, recovered over 90 per cent. The intermittently low and high recovery may have been due either to possible wide variations in the shear strength of the new pins, or in the sediment type (e.g., sandy layers.) The latter seems probable since two of the low recovery intervals were recored with the same results. The sediments recovered were, again, undisturbed. The core liners did not collapse or crack on any of these runs.

Throughout the tests, routine maintenance on the HPC consisted of replacing seals as needed and complete breakdown and redressing between sites. The internal seals could not be inspected routinely but were still operable when replaced between sites. The external top sub packing was lost or damaged quite frequently during the earlier runs, but lasted much longer (10 runs) when the retrieval rate was slowed from 300 meters/min to 100 meters/min. Being one-way seals, they tended to flare out and grab at each tool joint if the HPC was retrieved too quickly.

As the rig crew became familiar with handling the HPC, the turnaround time on deck was trimmed to 20 minutes when using a single lower core barrel section. It would have been even faster had they been able to alternate between two lower sections, but one was lost on Site 477A. The time between cores still was only slightly longer than for standard coring operations.

#### TECHNICAL IMPROVEMENTS

The objective of developing a capability to recover 9.5 m undisturbed cores through the 13 cm (5-inch) drill pipe was not abandoned. An assemblage of components were designed with the purpose of configuring 9.5 m, 8 m, 6.5 m, 5 m, and 3.5 m hydraulic piston corer units by rearrangement of common elements adapted to a single seal-sub within the drill pipe. This unit, designated as the Variable Length Hydraulic Piston Corer (VLHPC), enables coring to be accomplished over a wide range of sediment formations to the limit of the shipboard rig pumping capacity (Figure 8). To date there has been exceptional success with VLHPC operations. After the initial runs, the drill crew handled the entire operation. The VLHPC does not require extensive redressing between runs, and the turnaround time on deck takes about five minutes. The features of this simplistic design approach have been projected into future designs to develop extended coring capability into stiffer formations.

The available force in deep ocean hydraulic piston coring decreases slightly as the corer barrel extends. In the computer program, the resisting force produced by corer penetration is a function of velocity. When the plot of the product of velocity and effective drag coefficient intersects the curve produced as a function of rig pressure and piston area, the corer stroke is assumed to be arrested. The results from operations have validated the analytic procedure within the range of present usage.

#### ABSOLUTE CORE ORIENTATION

The ability to recover undisturbed soft cores without rotating led quite naturally to a request from the scientific community to develop a means of preserving the downhole azimuthal orientation of the cores. This has been achieved by "piggybacking" a Kuster single-shot survey instrument onto the VLHPC. The Kuster tool is actually incorporated into the sinker bar string which latches onto the VLHPC Top Sub. The Kuster unit essentially consists of a transparent compass and reference line overlaying a film disc, a battery operated delay timer, a magnetic sensor, and a light source. An orientation line on the core liner is aligned with the reference line within the Kuster unit. When the VLHPC is landed in the drill string, the Kuster tool is positioned within a special non-magnetic drill collar. The sensor detects the change in the magnetic field and activates the delay timer which, in turn, activates the light source to take a picture of the compass and reference line. The film is later developed to reveal the angle between magnetic north and the reference line.

#### OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE

The original version of the Hydraulic Piston Corer (HPC) was successfully operated aboard the D/V GLOMAR CHALLENGER from December 1978 until May 1981. Its successful performance immediately led to the development of its successor, the Variable Length Hydraulic Piston Corer (VLHPC). This highly improved version has now been deployed in the field for over a year with impressive scientific results. Statistical data for both versions of the HPC can be found in Tables II and III. The application of this new coring technology to the field of earth sciences has unquestionably been a success. Expansion to areas such as geotechnical research and engineering may have even wider reaching ramifications.

Efforts are now underway to develop a coring system which can take over when the HPC system has reached its limitations. This "extended" core barrel (XCB) shown in Figure 9, will be designed to drill down to and into basement, without requiring a pipe trip or change of the HPC bottom hole assembly. The compatibility of these two coring systems is shown in Figure 10.

#### SCIENTIFIC REWARDS

The Deep Sea Drilling Project (DSDP) Hydraulic Piston Corer (HPC) was developed in response to a major scientific need to recover undisturbed cores from the deep ocean. The technical success of the HPC quite naturally led to an improved successor known as the Variable Length Hydraulic Piston Corer (VLHPC). Hydraulic Piston Coring has been in operation aboard the GLOMAR CHALLENGER for over four years. The scientific rewards are too numerous to mention. DSDP expeditions centering around the use of the hydraulic piston corer have proven to be major successes. The routine recovery of complete geological sections with little or no disturbance has given rise to many new disciplines within the field of marine geology. These new or expanded fields of study are enabling earth scientists to make quantum leaps in their understanding of the earth and its oceans. The potential of this new technology and its contribution to the advancement of earth science research will probably not be fully determined for many years to come.







FROUDE SCALING SCALE FACTOR  $\delta = 11$ FORCE FULL SCALE =  $\delta^3$  MODEL SCALE = 12.5 (11)<sup>3</sup> AXIAL FORCE = 16,637.5 LB NO SIDE FORCE

ni.

## STRESS VS CORER LENGTH

Figure 4



CORER LENGTH x 10-2 INCHES

## DEEP SEA DRILLING PROJECT HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER (VLHPC)



## D. S. D. P. HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER TEST



MEDIUM CLAY



HOLE: 480 CORED INTERVAL: 95-99.5 m







### DEEP SEA DRILLING PROJECT

## BOTTOM HOLE ASSEMBLY COMPATABILITY HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER / EXTENDED CORE BARREL



## TABLE I

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NCSD Batch No.	J. Clay Batch No.	Bentonite	<u>Materia</u> Feldspar	l in P Gal	ounds Clay	Batch Weight 1bs	Initial Penetrometer Reading (clay only)	Force <sup>(1)</sup> Extract	Piston <sup>(2)</sup> Pressure Required	Hydraulic <sup>(3)</sup> Horsepower	K/SF Shear Strength
1	FBI	. 96	384	72		1080		<400	<73	<11	
2	FB2	120	480	68		1166		400	73	11	.03
3	FB3	144	576	63		1245		1100	200	30	.08
4	FB4	168	793	57		1435		2200	400	60	.16
5*	B4	Clay	Soft		1250	1200	4.25-4.75	3000	545	82	.22
6*	B3	Clay	Soft		1250	1200	4.25-7.75	3000	545	82	.22
7*	B2	Clay	Medium	<u></u>	1250	1200	6.15-6.5	8000	1455	218	
8*	BI	Clay	Stiff		1250	1200	9.25-9.75	12000	2182	327	.9

#### SPECIFICATIONS FOR CLAY PRODUCTS DSDP PISTON CORE TEST MATERIAL

\* Indicates J. Clay Co. product mix

 Excludes weight of barrel estimated at approximately 600 lbs dynamic force during coring likely will exceed steady pull out force; force is 15 ft stroke.

(2) Based on force to extract

(3) Not dynamic, based on 257 GPM (15 ft/sec)

NOTES: Annular piston cylinder volume per 15 ft stroke = 4.3 gal Each batch yields approximately 12 cu ft.

## TABLE II

HYDRAULIC PISTON CORE RECORD (LEG 64-79)

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DESCRIPTION	64	66	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	79
Number of Sites	- 3	1	1	1	4	2	4	6	3	2	2	1
Number of Holes	3	1	7	1	10	2	5	8	5	4	2	1
Number of Cores	43	11	259	54	85	54	118	203	136	230	50	12
Total Meters Cored	204	52	1012	227	325	229	488	1778	586	922	244	39
Total Meters Recovered	155	30	787	175	304	206	413	686	522	816	194	37
Per Cent Recovery	76	58	78	78	94	90	85	88	89.	88	. 79	94
Max Penetration Depth	152	71	235	237	40	151	183	194	286	291	168	39
Max Shear (g/cm <sup>2</sup> )	1160	.1922	3185	1670	319	99	1577	3418	162	2076	635	
List of Holes	477B	492	502	504	506	512	515A	519	525B	530B	533	544B
	480		502A		506B	514	516		526	532	534A	
	481		502B		506C		51.6A	520A	526A	532A		
			592C		506D		517	521	526B	533	5 (9.6	
			503		507D		518	521A	528			
	÷		503A		507F	83		522	а а			
			503B		507H			522A				
			***		508		×	523				
					509			524		•		
					509B							

NOTE: HPC not used on Legs 65, 67, 77, 78,

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Shear not measured on Leg 79,

			VARIABLE LENG	TH HYDRAUL	IC PISTON COR	E RECORD (LEG	80-93)				
DESCRIPTION	80	81	82	85	86	87	89	90	91	92	93
Number of Sites	2	2	1	4	5	1	1	7	1	6	1
Number of Holes	2	2	. 1	13	10	3	3	12	3	11	1
Number of Cores	77	42	16	183	11	49	61	358	7	49	11
Total Meters Cored	407	217	132	1292	938	258	546	3,546	53	346	91
Total Meters Recovered	355	216	124	1206	878	174	531	2,812	47	262	90
Per Cent Recovery	87	100	94	93	93	67	97	79	89	75	99
Max Penetration Depth	211	193	132	206	176	152	305	315	70	55	91
Max Shear (g/cm <sup>2</sup> )				700							
List of Holes NOTE: VLHPC not used on Leg Shear not measured on	548 549A gs 83, 84,88 h HPC cores for	552A 553B r Legs 80,	558A 81, 82, 86,	571 572 572A 572B 572C 573 573A 574 574A 575A 575B 575C	576 5768 577 577A 577B 578 579 579A 580	583 583A 583B 583C	586 586A 586B	587 588 588A 588B 588C 589 590 590A 590B 591 591A 591A 591B 592 593	596 596A 596B	597 597A 598 599 599B 600 600A 600B 600C 601 602A	603C

# TABLE III

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#### HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER (HPC-15) LEG 64

#### ABSTRACT

The Hydraulic Piston Corer (HPC) was brought aboard on the evening of December 22, 1978 during a mid-cruise personnel/equipment transfer. Fourteen hours later it had its first test. It was operated a total of 51 times on three sites at depths ranging from 675 meters to 2100 meters. The tool proved fully operational, recovering a near continuous section totaling 152 meters of beautifully laminated, undisturbed cores on Site 480.

The HPC does not need extensive redressing between runs; the turnaround time on deck is about 20 minutes (when no seals have to be changed), using and redressing the same core barrel. After the initial runs, the drill crew handled the entire operation.

The one recurring problem was the frequent destruction of top sub packing. Some modifications are suggested to facilitate operation and handling of the tool.

#### SUMMARY OF TESTS

Details of each run can be obtained from the notes following the report. The intent of this section is to summarize the results of the tests and the problems encountered at each site.

The Cameron relief valve was not used in the system. On the first site (477B), the blowout was not used. The Saunders line stripper packing was considered adequate to maintain pressure up to 3000 psi. The wiper packing blewout on Run No. 3 when the system overpressurized. The blowout preventer was used from then on.

Once the tool was landed in the head sub, the normal activation procedure was to:

1) Close the blowout preventer.

2) Start pumping at 40 SPM. After about 30 seconds, the pressure in the drill string would begin to rise, first slowly, then quickly as the HPC seated.

3) When the pressure reached 1500-1700 psi, a slight deflection on the gauge would signal the driller that the pins has sheared and he would shut off the pump.

4) The pressure would then drop as it escaped through the vent holes which are open at the end of the HPC stroke.

Site 477B

Water Depth - 2020 M Number of Runs - 3 Blowout Preventor - Not Used

At this water depth, the HPC was pumped down on the wireline to approximately 300 meters from the bottom, then lowered the rest of the way with the pumps off.

Run No. 1, the tool seated and activated, but the pressure did not drop afterwards. Later, it was discovered that the piston rod was 10 inches too long, thus at the end of its stroke, the vent holes were not aligned on either side of the outer seal sub and the HPC could not vent. Somewhere along the return trip, the lower core barrel section below the double pin sub backed off and was lost downhole. The threads were not damaged so it is assumed that the connection was not made tight enough.

On Run No. 2, the tool did not seat. Assuming that the lower core barrel from the initial run was still in the pipe, the HPC was retrieved and an unsuccessful fishing attempt was made. Then a regular core barrel, the same length as the HPC, was sent down. It seated so the pipe was thought to be clean.

On the third run, the HPC again did not seat. The pump rate was slowly increased to 60 SPM with gradual pressure rise. Suddenly the tool seated, shot off, and the pressure rose to 3000 psi, at which time the line wiper packing blewout.

The HPC was retrieved and found to have recovered four meters of very soft mud (using the spring leaf catcher). In the catcher was an eight-inch piece of the upper liner support from the missing core barrel. It was neatly sheared in half. When the pipe was pulled, the other half of this piece was found in the outer core barrel. It had been splayed out to the shape of the I.D. of the outer core barrel.

#### Problems Encountered

1) The top sub ring packing was destroyed or lost on each run. It is suspected that they are destroyed as the tool is pulled back up the pipe, and the lips of the seals snag at the pipe joints (a 1000 pound increase in weight was noted each time a joint was passed until the packing was gone). Each time the HPC was retrieved without pumping and at one half the rate of regular core barrel retrieval.

2) The sectioned piston rod, later found to be ten inches too long, was used for all three runs. After the first run, we replaced the 9-3/4" lower sub with a 15" lower sub to keep the piston head from jamming through the core xatchers. But, as stated earlier, this also caused misalignment of the venting holes in the rod.

3) The piston head packing had to be replaced after the second run.

4) After the first run, great care was taken to torque tight the pin sub/ core barrel connection. Chain tongs were braced against the standing-off section of drill pipe and a 26" pipe wrench with cheater was used to tighten the connection.

5) After the split locking collar is removed and the cap sub connection is broken, it is still very hard to unscrew the cab sub, since the shaft above the connection cannot be kept straight enough to keep it from binding the cap sub. Therefore, the locking collar was not removed after Run No. 2. Tension was ekpt on the top sub via the tugger while unscrewing the cap sub.

6) The 3/8" set screw locks are too soft. They frequently jam in their hole, making it necessary to use an easy out to back them out.

Site 480

Water Depth - 765 M Number of Runs - 32 Blowout Preventor - Used

HPC operation on this site was a total success. One hundred fifty two meters of core were drilled with over 90% recovery. The beautifully varved sedimentary sections, ranging from soft mud to very firm diatomacous ooze, were virtually undisturbed.

Prior to this site, the HPC was totally dismantled and redressed. Both the inner and outer sub seals were worn but still good. They were replaced. There were no damaged parts, but the piston rod was corroded. It was sanded, greased, and stowed away. The outer body was swabbed with solvent and greased on the inside. the HPC was reassembled with the one piece piston rod. The head sub landing surface was filed to smooth the rough edges where the metal had "rolled" slightly.

In an attempt to preserve the top sub packing, the six packing rings were oriented such that they faced each other in sets (i.e., the first ring pointing up; the second pointing down; the third pointing up; etc.). The brass ring was situated between the upper four and lower two packing rings.

To test this configuration, the HPC was run 200 meters down pipe, then retrieved. The lower three packing rings were gone. In order to remove the top connector to change the packing, the eight pins had be sheared (it is impossible to pull them out once they are set). The method used is as follows:

1) Lay down the upper section HPC and unscrew the outer body cap to pull the shaft about a foot out of the outer body.

2) With a sledge and a wedge, force the outer body cap away from the top sub to shear the pins.

3) Slide the outer body cap down the shaft to reveal the set screw locking the top sub to the shaft. The rest is easy.

The packing was replaced in the original configuration and the tool run down the pipe. No pumping was needed in this shallow water.

The first two runs had excellent core recoveries, but the packing was lost each time. On the third run, however, all the packing returned intact. The derrickman had been continually reducing the rate of retrieval, and finally found a slow enough speed to preserve the packing (just under 100 m/min). The packing had to be changed, again, after Runs Nos. 12, 20, and 25.

The piston head "V" packing was changed after Run No. 3. They were replaced with polypaks. The polypaks did not inhibit the tool from scoping together during assembly. This packin g had to be changed, again, after Runs Nos. 12, 25, and 27. On Runs Nos. 3, 25, and 27, the core liner had partially collapsed and cracked. This may have caused the damage to the piston head packing.

Runs Nos. 12 and 13, had low recovery. Each of these runs was also characterized by an absence of pressure relief after tool activation. It was suspected that a sandy layer was keeping the HPC from fully extending during actuation. Some sand was recovered on Run No. 13. The driller washed down 4.75 meters in an attempt to get through the sandy section. Also, the inner and outer seals were changed, though after 13 runs, the old ones still looked OK. On the subsequent runs, the recovery increased and the tool actuated normally.

The core liner returned cracked or partially collapsed after Runs Nos. 3, 21, 24, 25, 28 through 32. This may have been caused by the increasing stiffness of the sediment. The recovery was still good. The liners usually collapsed just above the lower liner support. The cracks were longitudinal and usually at the upper end of the liner.

Site 481

Water Depth - 2016 M Number of Runs - 25 Blowout Preventor - Used

Prior to this site, the HPC was totally dismantled and redressed. The outer sub seals were badly damaged. The "V" packing on the inner seal sub was worn but undamaged. The piston rod was corroded. It was sanded and regreased. We had run out of shear pins, so we made more out of 3/16" brass brazing rod. They worked very well, shearing at a slightly higher pressure 1700-1900 psi).

On this site, the HPC was pumped down (as it was on Site 477B). The first two runs were water cores. The recovery was good on the next three runs. On the sixth run, the recovery dropped to 1.7 meters; the eighth and ninth runs produced zero recovery. Starting with Run No. 5, the pressure did not drop quickly after the pins sheared. The pressure would build up to 2000 psi, but no deflection registered on the pressure gauge. The driller said there was no evidence of a hard or sandy layer. Suspecting that the inner or outer seals were leaking, the HPC was overhauled. Seals were undamaged. Runs Nos. 9 and 10, attempted to recore lost intervals from the two previous runs. No recovery on Run No. 9, and 0.2 meters was recovered on Run No. 10. Recovery picked up to 4.57 meters with Run No. 11. On Run No. 12, the HPC came back with pins unsheared. Runs 13 through 16 had good recovery.

The blowout preventer, which had been in use since the beginning of Site 480, was by this time leaking badly (there was no spare packing). This may have had an effect on the driving force behind the HPC as it sheared, thus inhibiting complete extention and proper venting.

The top sub packing had to be changed after Runs Nos. 4 and 14.

#### CONCLUSIONS

The HPC was an operational and scientific success.

#### Advantages

1) Good recovery of undisturbed sediments.

- 2) Relatively fast turnaround time on deck.
- 3) No major tool damage or breakdowns after extensive use.
- 4) Entire operation can be handled by rig crew.

#### Disadvantages

1) The necessity of using a special large diameter drill bit and head sub for HPC coring requires tripping the pipe to change the bottom hole assembly when piston cores are desired.

2) Top sub ring packing lasts from two to ten runs before becoming lost or damaged. The HPC is retrieved at a very slow speed in order to save the packing. In deep water holes this will be time consuming.

3) When making up the double pin sub/cab sub connection (the lower core barrel section is hung off in the pipe, and the upper HPC section is on the tugger line), a rig hand has to ride up on the harness to hold the shaft straight to keep from binding the threads. This is dangerous when the ship is rolling. If the shaft swings out of his grasp, it can swing back and smash him against the drill pipe.

#### Suggestions

1. Changing shear pins was the most time consuming phase of the turnaround routine. The pins should be made stronger to reduce the number needed. Also, threaded shear pins should be considered. They would eliminate the necessity of lining up the outer body cap with the shear groove to punch out the used stubs. Eliminating the set screw backers would mean less small parts to keep track of during turnaround operation.
2) Several ratchet drive allen keys and a set of easy outs should be purchased. Also need spares for all of the special assembly tools (i.e., handling clamp, special spanner wrench for outer seal sub).

3) Need a reciprocating seal for the top sub.

4) Several spare upper liner supports should be on hand. These damage easily with rough handling on rig floor.

5) Consider machining pin thread at one end of outer body. This would facilitate installation of inner seal sub without damaging seals. An additional double box sub could be used to make the connection.

6) Use the "V" packing only on the inner seal sub. The piston head works fine with polypak packing. Polypaks were tried on the inner seal sub when the "V" packing spares were depleted, but the increased friction makes it very hard to scope the tool together during assembly.

7) Fabricate a special support plate to hang shaft in pipe so the top sub can be removed to change packing without having to lay down the upper section of the HPC. The existing shear pin groove could be used to hang the shaft, or a new groove could be cut about one foor from the top of the shaft.

8) A method should be devised to keep shaft from binding when the double pin sub/cab sub connection is made up or broken when the HPC is hung off in the pipe.

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APPENDICES

# APPENDIX A

## HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER.

# ANALYSIS

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Giant Piston Corer Comparison

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Shore Test Results of H.P.C. penetrating sediment.

H.P.C. coring velocity and resistance to penetration prediction and comparison with operational results.

Development of empirical approaches for H.P.C. performance in varying sediment shear strength and compaction.

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SUBJECT Hydraulic Corer	W. NUGENT	MODEL
ENGINEER.W. Nugent	3/36 GAYLE STREET	REPORT
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The procedure yields velocities with reasonable accuracy.

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The loads predicted for the hydraulic corer appear to be 12 per cent higher than anticipated when compared to the GPC data.

4.0 Conclusions.

1) Coring operations 0 to 50 feet below the surface are predicted as follows:

Depth of Penetration Ft.	Column Stress psî	30 Ft.Column Buckling Stress psi	Deflection 30 Ft. Column ins	Safety Nargin
15	1353	2831	1.67	2.08
20	1739	2831	2.17	1.63
25	2077	2831	2.55	1.36
30	2406	2831	3.00	1.17
*30 at 100m.	2602	2831	3.25	1.08

Taking cores greater than 25 ft. in length with the 3.5 inch diameter barrel is not recommended prior to full scale test.Figure 2 presents a plot of the column stress, corer end load, and penetration velocity versus penetration depth.

2) Coring at 100 m. is accomplished by limiting the surface pump pressure to 1000psi and 200 gpm.

3) Orifice Characteristics. 2-0.5 inch diameter orifices below the corer piston, Refer to Figure 1. provide fluid flow out from the core chamber at 410 gpm. This added flow compensates for the release of additional fluid stored during pressurization of the drill string. A diametral clearance not less than .028 inches is required to disharge the fluid from the top side of the corer barrel. Refer to Figure 1.

4) Snubbing is provided by a double stack of Bellville washers .19 thickness ( a total of 20) to dissipate 2255 ft lbs which results in 40,000 lb/inch<sup>2</sup> to be reacted by the tension rod.

5) Shear Pin(s) are provided to retain the corer barrel in the lockshut position during deployment, and to be released under 2000 psi pump pressure

A 0.37 inch diameter single pin is required.

Two pis having 0.213 inch diamer are required as alternatives to one pin. The material 4130 steel HT  $F_{tu}$  125,000 psi with a yield value 109,000 psi is required.









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COMPARISON OF G.P. C TEST Nº4 UNIV. HAWAII

WITH UNIV CAUFORNIA SCRIPPS INST. HYDRAUUC PISTON COREL PROPOSED CONFIGURATION

HYDRAULIC PISTON COILER CASE I

	DIMENSIONS	AREA INZ	AREA FT2
CORER PISTON ANNULUS	(2,88 ID = 1,12 ROD)	5,5	.0382
DRILL COLLAR	4,125	13,364	, 0928

VOLUME OF DRILL STRING 18,000 (,0928) 1670.5 FT3

COMPRESSION OF FRESH WATER , 0065 VOL @ 2000 PS( THEN  $\Delta V = 10065$ 

COMPRESSED VOLUME IN 18000 FT STRING = 10.86 FT<sup>3</sup> INCREMENTAL CORER PISTON LOAD (10,86×64.3) = 698,3 INCREASED PISTON PRESSURE 6983 5,5 = 126 PSI EQUIVALENT WATER COLUMN IN DRILL PIPE = 117 FE<sup>1</sup>

DATA FROM G.P.G. TEST Nº 4

DISPL, DEPTH	Accer(0)	VELOCITY F.P.S	SHEAR STRU MCCLELLAND DATA J 1B/FT2	$\mathcal{M} = T(\frac{dx}{dv})$
10	0.6	18	50	
20	0.8	20	75	
30	1,1	22	114	
40	1,4	18	152	9.45
50	1.6	16 1	190	1 G

FRICTION ESTIMATE  $f = 1.328 \int \frac{4}{P \times x} = 1.328 \int \frac{9.45}{3.85(18)(1.12)} = .463$ A VALUE OF 18 FEET PER SECOND HAS BEEN USED IN 39 THE ESTIMATE FOR THE ANEIZAGE PENETRATION VELOCITY.

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D =, 892 V<sup>2</sup>(PSF) = RESISTANCE PER FOOT LENGTH OF PENETRATION  
THE FOLLOWING EXPRESSION IS USED TO RELATE THE PENETRATION  
VELOCITY AND THE RESISTANCE OF THE SEDIMENT TO CORING,  

$$V = CL^2 \left(\frac{29}{29}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ RIG PRESSURE - DINAMIC IMPACT PRESSURE
 $= CL^2 \left(\frac{29}{29}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left(\frac{F-UF}{A}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \left[D(PSF)\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]$   
WHERE: V = PISTON VELOCITY FPS (TBD)  
 $A = PISTON VELOCITY FPS (TBD)$   
 $A = PISTON VELOCITY FPS (TBD)$   
 $A = PISTON VELOCITY FPS (TBD)$   
 $F = FORCE ON PISTON = 11, 000(.8) = 8800LB$   
 $h = CEFFICIENT OF SIDING FRICTION = 0.2$   
 $G = SEDIMENT MASS DENSITY = 3.86 SLUGS/FT2$   
 $a = 02IFICE AREA = 2.2 INDIM = 0.00273 FT2$   
 $C_{d} = 02IFICE DISCHARCHE COFFFICIENT = 0.2C2$   
 $G = VOLUMETRIC DISCHARCHE = .62(.0073)/212L(M) = 0.9365 FT5$   
 $= 448.83(0.9365) = 420.9 pm.$   
 $D = RESISTANCE OF THE SEDIMENT (ASSUMED TO BE CONSTANT
FOR LIQUIDIC SEDIMENT (ASSUMENT) ESTIMATION
 $V = .0442C \left[ 230.400 \right]^2 \left[ 5(.892) V^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]$   
 $= 21.24 - .0935V$   
 $= 19.42 FT/SEC$$$$

DYNAMIC PRESSURE ( SEDIMENT RESISTANCE TO CORING)  $D = \frac{1}{2} P V^2 f$  P.SF.  $= 1.925 (.463) V^2 = .892 V^2 PSF$ 

THE COLUMN LOAD ON THE CORER =  $5(,892)V^2$ = 1682 LB.

CORING TO 40 FEET PENETRATION

$$V = .04426 \left[ 230,400 \right]_{-}^{1/2} \left[ 40(.892) V^2 \right]_{-}^{1/2}$$

1.

= 16.8 FT/SEC

THE COLUMN LOAD ONTHE CORER = 10,006, LB.

FIGURE 4 SHOWS A PLOT OF THE DATA GENERATED BY THE FIRST TRIAL ANALYSIS.

THESE DATA WERE COMPARED WITH THE RESULTS OF THE GIANT PISTON COREL TESTS Nº 4 AND 5 \* ALLOW ADDED MASS AS THE CORE IS TAKEN

G.P.C DATA

VELOCITY (F.P.S)	20	22	18	16
PENETRATION(FT)	10	20	30	40
ACCELERATION (q)	8,	1,1	1,4	1.6
TOTAL MASS (SLUGS) 141		146	152	157 *
RESISTANCE (LBS)	3632	5171	6852	8095
H.P.C. (CASE)	2990	5450	7640	10006

THE RESULTS OF THE H.P.C. FIRST ORDER ANALYSIS COMPARE FAVORABLY WITH THE RESULTS OF THE GIANT PISTON CORER RECORED. TEST CONDITIONS,

FIGURE 5 SHOWS THE RESULT OF A TYPICAL SHORE TEST, WHEN THE H.P.C IN THE OPERATIONAL CONFIGURATION WAS "SHOT" INTO A STIFF CLAY MIX ~ 0.9 K/SF.

# FIGURE 4

HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER CASE I

SEDIMENT SHEAR STRENGTH = 152 P.S.F CORER BARREL DIAMETER = 2,88 INCHES 1.D. ORIFICES 2-0.5 INCHES DIAMETER



# D. S. D. P. HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER TEST



#### HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER ANALYSIS

Alternative methods for determining the forces and velocities developed during coring were investigated. One suggestion recommended the use of a friction factor in a Darcy Equation of .08 which was extrapolated from test data obtained from evaluating the characteristic of slurry pumped through a continuous loop.

The approach was as follows:

Head loss = Entrance loss + Friction loss =  $\left[0.5 + f.(1/d)\right] V^2/2g$ h

Nomenclature:

h	=	Head loss in feet
f	=	Friction factor
1	=	Length of pipe in feet
d	=	Diameter of pipe in feet
V	=	Velocity of flow (rate of penetration) in feet
Q	=	Flow rate of circulating fluid in gpm.
g	=	Gravitation acceleration in feet/ second <sup>2</sup>

The flow was assumed to be laminar

The density of the sediment was taken to be 118 lbs/ft<sup>3</sup>

$$h = \left[ 0.5 + 0.08(30/0.24) \right] V^2/64.4$$

From previous shore testing the control of the penetration velocity within the limits of 20 ft/second was achieved. Using this value in the above equation, yields a head loss of 65.22 feet. Expressing pressure as a function of head loss and density, a value of 7696 lbs/ft<sup>2</sup> is obtained. Let 7696 lbs/Ft<sup>2</sup> be the corer barrel internal pressure

The friction force on the inner wall = (.753)(30)(7696) = 173,777 Lbs which appears unrealistic, in relation to the test results. This approach was was abandonded in favor of expression

 $= \frac{Cda}{A^{3/2}} \left(\frac{2g}{p}\right)^{1/2} \left[Force - Drag\right]^{1/2}$ V

Operational data from leg 68 indicated that full cores were not retrieved repeatedly in sediment with shear stress in excess of 3000 g/cm<sup>2</sup>. Figure 5 shows the predicted plot of a data sample. CaseI is the mean of ten trials where partial cores were retrieved. Case II represents a condition where 95% of a full core was retrieved. The curves are defined by the law

$$y = a + b x^{\prime\prime}$$

### HYDRAULIC PISTON CORING

ESTIMATE OF CORING RESISTANCE FROM OPERATIONS REPORT. LEG No 68

## CASE I

MEAN VALUE OF	DATA FROM	CORES No	37	THROUGH	No 47	
Mean Sediment	; Shear Str	ength		2,666	.28	$g/cm^2$
Mean Corer Re	lease Pres	sure		2,103		p.s.i.
Mean Length c	of Core Rec	overed		2	3114	meters

#### CASEII

DATA FROM CORE 29Sediment Shear Strength1,170Corer Release Pressure1,650Length of Core Recovered4.43Meters

FIGURE 5



# HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER ANALYSIS

Derivation of Coring Depth Exponent Refer to Case I x = 2, y = 5600  $a + b 2^n = 5600$ (1)When x = 4 y = 7800  $a + b 4^n = 7800$ (2)x = 8 y = 9600  $a + b 8^{n_{1}} = 9600$ (3) $b 2^{n} (2^{n} - 1) = 2200$ Subtract (1) from(2)  $b 2^{n} 2^{n} (2^{n} - 1) = 1800$ (2) from (3)  $2^n = \frac{1800}{2200} = .81818$ n = -.2895 $b = \frac{2200}{2^n(2^n-1)} = -14788$  $a = 5600 - (-14788 \times 2^{-2895})$ 

 $y = 17700 - 14788 x^{-.2895}$ 

Applying these principles to the ratio of  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$ , to L the length of core retrieved.

when x (-L - x)2 1.225 a + b 2<sup>n</sup> = 1.225 4 1.583 a + b 4<sup>n</sup> = 1.583 8 3.665 a + b 8<sup>n</sup> = 3.665  $2^n = -\frac{2.082}{.358} = 5.8156$ n = 2.539 b = 0.01278

 $a = 1.225 - .01278 \times 2^{2.539}$ 

 $y = 1.151 + 0.0128 x^{2.539}$ 

A program was compiled to calculate the constants and the exponent for a number of cases. During this process a variable for the effect of sediment shear strength was applied.

## HYDRAULIC PISTON CORING.

On Leg 68 10,000 feet of drill string was deployed and pressurized to approximately 3,000 p.s.i. which compressed the water column an equivalent 10 cub. ft. The volume of the corer piston barrel is 0.55 cub. ft. The force on the corer piston is assumed to be constant under these conditions. From shore test results the force available for coring is around 8,500 lb. when friction and orifice control are considered.

The resistance to coring (drag) increased with depth as evidenced from the operations report from Leg 68. An exponent was developed as a depth factor using the expression:

 $y = a + b x^n$ 

Where  $x = The coring depth (x_1...x_2...etc.)$ 

n = 1.3 + .00044 J

J = The sediment shear stress in g/cm<sup>2</sup>

a = Constant = 1.3

b = Constant = 0.01

This emperical expression was developed by general determination laws connecting a set of tabular values which yielded a regular curve. The slope of the curve at regular intervals was plotted against the predicted value of the Coring Resistance, to give a straight line. A ratio of L/(L-x) relating the x1..x2.. and the total length of core recovered also yielded a straight line plot, which indicated that  $y = a + bx^n$  might be used to provide a solution.

A program was compiled and the results of the extreme conditions reported from Leg 68 are shown.

Sediment 117	0 g/c <sup>m2</sup>	Sediment 266	6 g/cm <sup>2</sup>
Core 14.9 2.	length	Core 10.864 2.	length
SOLVE FOR .2119337174 .7924478128 3.739130435	М	SOLVE FOR .3571188138 2.210545507 6.189944134	N
SOLVE FOR .0206926793	B B	SOLVE FUR .0111163783	B
SOLVE FOR 1.232411387 1.232411387	Ĥ	SOLVE FOR 1.29444153 1.29444153	H.

# Background,

Designs for the Hydraulic Piston Corer (HPC.) were completed in 1978. The performance was predicted on the basis of controlling the penetration velocity between the limits of 20Ft./sec and 10Ft./sec. The available shipboard rig pump pressure and flow were 2500 psi.

and 350 gpm respectively. An expression  $V = \frac{C_{da}}{A^{3/2}} \left(\frac{2g}{c}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \text{Piston Force - Sediment Drag} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ 

was used as an initial analytical tool.

Laboratory testing in a deep hole with a uniform sediment showed good co relation between the analysis and test. Operation in stiffer sediments indicated that the resistance to penetration increased exponentially with depth. A second "lump" factor in addition to the drag coefficient was developed by evaluating the operational data, as previously discussed.

The drag values were based on an apparent viscosity, applicable for Ooze and unlithifide sediment, the terms used were:

1 - Y (dx)	Where	7	= Sediment shear strength
4= 1 (20)	c	dx	= the distance between surfaces
	(	dv	= the velocity change
	1	4	= viscosity

Substituting these terms in a friction equation where  $\sigma = \text{Sediment density}$  $f = 1.328 \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\sigma}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$   $f = 1.328 \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\sigma}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ 

# is obtained

Relating the friction to Hydrodynamic Drag by  $D = \frac{1}{2} \sigma V^2$  f S where S is the surface area. A step function analysis was developed which considered each foot of corer penetration and the circumference of the barrel as a unit area. (3.5N)x each foot of penetration allows the S term to be neglected numerically.

The drag term can be written 
$$\frac{1}{2}$$
 ( $\sigma$ ) V<sup>2</sup> 1.328( $T/V^{2}\sigma$ )  $\frac{1}{2}$   
which reduces to D = 0.664( $J\sigma$ )  $\frac{1}{2}$  (V)  
then V =  $\frac{C_{da}}{A}/2$  [Piston Force - 0.664 ( $J\sigma$ )  $\frac{1}{2}$  (V) (D) exp]  $\frac{1}{2}$   
which is solved as a quadratic in the form of  $aV^{2}$  + bV - C = 0  
Orifice Parameter-  
Drag constant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
Piston Force \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Figures 6and 7 are analytical solutions which compare with the results obtained during actual coring operations.

## HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER ANALYSIS

NUMERICAL EXAMPLE PREDICTING THE VALUES FOR VELOCITY AND RESISTANCE

CONDITIONS

2,000 psi. 5.5:" (.0382 ft<sup>2</sup>) Shipboard Rig Operating Pressure P = Annulus Area of the Corer Piston A = (.00273ft<sup>2</sup>) a = Orifice Area 2-zinch diameter .62 non dimentional Orifice Discharge Coefficient  $C_d =$ 2,400 psf. Sediment Shear Stress = 3.65 slugs/ ft<sup>2</sup> Sediment Mass Density =

The Sediment Resitance =  $.664(2400 \times 3.65)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  (V) = 61.7V

Then  $V = \frac{.00273 (.62)}{(.0382)3/2} (11000 - 67.7V)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ = .2265 (11000 - 67.7V)  $\frac{1}{2}$ 19.49  $V^2$  = 11000 - 67.7V

Solution of the quadratic by completion of the square

 $19.49 (V^2 + 3.47V - 564.32) = 0$  $v^{2} + 3.47v + (1.737)^{2} = 564.32 + (1.737)^{2}$ + 1.737 = 23.81V V = 22.08 ft/secondAfter one foot penetration The Sediment Resistance to Coring = 67.7(22.08)for the first foot depth = 1494.81 lbs. At a Coring Depth of 10 feet n =  $1.3 + (.00044 \times 1200) = 1.828$ = 1.3 + .01 (10) exp 1.828 = 1.973 Exponent У The Sediment Resistance to Coring =  $67.7 \times 10^{1.973} (V)$  $19.49 (V^2 + 326V - 564)$ = 0 V + 163.2 = 164.9V = 1.7 Feet/ Second At 10 Feet penetration The Sediment Resistance to Coring = 10,939 Lbs.





# APPENDIX B

# HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER

#### ORIFICE ANALYSIS

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# Topics

Orifice Sizing to control the H.P.C. penetration rate during coring. This control feature enables the recovery of high quality undisturbed cores to be retrieved.

An arrangement of Vent Orifices provides an efficient method for regulating the end of stroke velocity of the H.P.C, and effects a method of snubbing with reduced impact forces.

A data plot shows the decay in velocity vs the H.P.C. travel (snubbing stroke).

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# HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER ORIFICE ANALYSIS

#### PROBLEM STATEMENT

Velocity control was a prime design factor in the development of the Hydraulic Piston Corer. A method for regulating the rate of penetration of H.P.C. into a variety of sub-surface foundation materials was essential.

The procedure should be accomplished at the assembly or redress of the H.P.C. on the drill deck.

Protection against impact damage as the H.P.C. is scoped out to the full extended length should be provided.

#### OBJECTIVES.

Modification of the H.P.C. consistent with operation requirements, shear pin release, and related configuration build-up, should be accomplished in the sea state environment, from the drill deck.

WORK DONE.

The velocity control is accomplished by discharging the fluid through an orifice in the Lower Chamber.

The Expression:	V	$= \left(\frac{C_{da}}{A^{3/2}}\right) \left(\frac{2g}{p}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \text{Force - Drag} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	
is derived from	v	= $C_{da}$ $2g \frac{P}{Q}$	
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The piston Force is the product of the pressure and the area. The Drag is a function of the dynamic impact pressure when penetrating the sediment.

The snubbing orifices function to reduce the rate of displacement of the H.P.C. barrel at the end of the end of the stroke, thus alleviating the impact forces.

#### DISCUSSION

The results of the orifice analysis indicate that the H.P.C. can be equipped with a range of velocity control orifices for both sediment penetration control, and end stroke impact avoidance.

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3. SNUBBING ORIFICES LOCATED A TELESCOPING OUTER BODY ABO PISTON ENABLE VELOCITY CONT TO BE ACCO MPLISHED SIMULT. E.G. WHEN THE FIRST HOLE-I BELOW THE PISTON, FLUID DIS UPPER CHAMBER & ABOVE STA PRODUCES DAMPING, THE FIRST BELOW THE PISTON BLEEDS R THE RESULT; REDUCED FORCE O DISPLACEMENT AND REDUCED FROM THE UPPER CHAMBER, REPEATING THIS SEQUENCE WI PROVIDES AN EFFECTIVE CON	AT THE END OF THE DVE THE STATIONARY TROL AND DAMPING ANEOUSLY. N-LINE PASSES SCHARGE FROM THE ATIONARY PISTON, HOLE-IN-LINE NOW IG FLUID & PRESSURE. IN THE PISTON, REDUCED DISCHARGE RATE (REF FIGURE 1) TH 4 OR 5 ORIFICES ITROL DEVICE,
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5. THE RESULTS OF THE ANALYSIS A	RE SUMMERIZED IN FIG.2
6. ESTIMATE THAT IMPACT FORCE OVER THE LAST 0.5 INCH OF STR KE = 12×400 = 2400 FT L	E CAN BE CONTROLLED LOKE B
FORCE = 60,000 LB.	

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		PISTON CORER		
SNUBBING ORIFICE ANALYSIS				
CONDITION: TAKING A CORE IN SEA WATER. PRESSURE = 3000 P.S.I PISTON AREA (ANNULUS) = 5.26IN <sup>2</sup> (.03656FT <sup>2</sup> ) CONTROL ORIFICE = 2×5/3 =.0447 Cd ORIFICE = .62 SLURRY MASS DENSITY 6 = 3.6 SLUGS/FT <sup>2</sup> SLURRY SHEAR STRENGTH Y = 100 LB/FT <sup>2</sup>				
THEN RESISTANCE TO CORING = $.644 \sqrt{(00\times3.6)} \vee$ SAY = 15V.				
V = 13779[15,78	80 - 15V J 1/2			
$7[V^2+2.14V-2253]=0$				
V2 +2,1	$(4V + (1,07)^2 =$	= 2254,9		
V	+ 1,07 =	4.7,48		
V	_	46.41		
USE 46 FT/SEC AS THE CRITICAL VELOUTY FOR SNUBBING.				
Q = FLOW IN THE CORER BARREL = 46 (.03656).				
	ž	11682 FT3/SEC		
CONSIDER VENTING THE FLOW FROM ABONE THE PISTON TO REPLICE THE VOLUME OF FLOW IN THE CORE BARREL				

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PRESSURE	3000 PSI = 432,000 PSF			
PISTON VELOCITY Po	46 FT/SEC			
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DISCHARGE COSFRICIENT CI	162			
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FLOW RATE IN BARREL Q	V(A)			
INITIAL VELOCITY 46 FT /SEC				
$0 = A((03) = 160 E^{3}/et)$				
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$= .0005 [432 \times 10^4 = .3286 \text{ FT}^3/\text{SEC}$				
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$Q = 1.6823286 = 1.353 \text{FT}^3$	SEC			
$V_1 = 1.353 / .03656 = 37. FT/SEC$				
	-			
SOLVE FOR P				
5/ = .068 [ - 255]				
$299,082 = P_1 = 2,077 P.S.1$				
WHEN SECOND VENT IS EXPOSED				
$C_{1}a = .001$				
$Q_2 = .001/299082 = .547 FT^3/SEC$				
$V_2 = 1.682 - (i3286 + i547) / .03657$				
= 22.06 FT/SEC				

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SNUBBING ORIFICE ANALYSIS				
SOLVE FOR $P_2$ 22 = . 136 [P - 330] <sup>1/2</sup>				
26497 = P = 184 P.S.1				
WHEN THIRD HOLE IS EXPOSED.				
$C_{da} = .0015$				
$Q_3 = .0015 \sqrt{26497} = .2442 \text{ FT}^3/\text{SEC}$				
$V_3 = 1.686 - (.3286 + .547 + .2442)/.03656$ = 15,37 FT/SEC				
SOLVE FOR $P_3$ 15,37 = .2139 [P - 15(15,37] <sup>1/2</sup>				
$5391 = P_3 = 37.43 P.5.1$				
FINAL VENT 4-0.5IN DIA HOLES EXPOSED				
$C_{da} = .0074$				
$Q_4 = .0074\sqrt{5391} = .5433$				
$V_4 = 1.682 - (.3286 + .547 + .2442 + .5433) / .03656 = 0.517 FT/SEC$				

# CHART Nº 2

# SNUBBING CHARACTERISTICS

CONDITIONIS' BOODPSI RIG PRESSURE CURVE & HPC SHOT DUT IN WATERY SELIMENT CURVE B CORING IN 400 PSF SEDIMENT WITH 15 FT H.P.C.



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# APPENDIX C

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# HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER

#### STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS

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#### Topics

Beam-Column Analysis of the Drill Collar and extended H.P.C. Corer Barrel.

Flexural Model Test. A unit load applied on a scale model to demonstrate the deflection characteristics of the H.P.C.

Froude Scaling Techniques applied to predict the magnitude of the full scale H.P.C. structural loads and stresses.

A Moment Distribution Analysis for the scoped-out H.P.C 9 M column.

A parametric analysis for varying distributed transverse loads Shows H.P.C. barrel length vs stress due to axial and transverse load application.

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#### Problem Statement

Requirements for coring into increasingly stiff sediment introduced the posibility of slant angle penetration, or other related conditons which could produce side load effects in addition to column loading. The increase in stresses on both the H.P.C. components and the drill collar were considered critical.

#### Objective

The objective of the analysis was to : Predict the ability to recover long cores in stiffer sediment.

Preclude the possibility of yielding the H.P.C. core barrel thus preventing the retrieval of the H.P.C. through the drill pipe.

Providing guidelines for safe operation.

#### Work Done

A Beam-Column analysis was made to determine the combined bending characteristics of the H.P.C. and the Drill Collar. Particular attention was given to the location where the H.P.C. barrel exited the Drill Collar.

The Upper Shaft of the H.P.C. and the stationary piston were analyzed for similar loading conditions by moment distribution methods.

Scale models of equivalent dimensions were tested with axial and transverse loads applied. The reaction at the supports and contact points were observed and measured.

A Froude Scaling technique was used to calculate comparative values for full scale conditions.

#### Discussion

The results of these analyses and tests are presented herein. A parametric study was made which used the beam-column analysis approach to indicate the penetration depth (H.P.C. corer length) and differential side loading capability within the limits of the corer barrel yield stress.

#### Conclusions.

The analysis and the test show good co relationship considering that the model unit load test produced a 7.5 inch deflection and the analysis developed a 10.5 inch deflection.

The H.PC. core barrel and stationary upper shaft have sufficient flexural stability to be considered suitable for use in a 9 meter ( 30 Feet long ) coring tool.

# 2.0 M. H.P.C. SCOPED OUT





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AND USING AS AS dz. dx	$J = A \sin Wx + BCO$ $J = -W^2 A \sin Wx - W^2 B \cos Wx$ $= -W^2 (A \sin Wx + B \cos Wx)$	$\frac{DSW_{X} + W_{X} + y_{0}}{P} = \frac{P}{EI}$
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SCALE MODEL TEST  
TO DETERMINE THE FLEXURAL CHARACTERISTICS  
OF THE H.P.C.  
SCALING CONDITIONS  
FULL SCALE H.P.C. BARREL  
O.D 3.51N SECTION MODULUS O.D. O.191 IN. SOLID  
I.D 2.7 IN I= 4.751N<sup>4</sup> I= 6.52×10<sup>-5</sup>1N<sup>4</sup>  
WALL 0.4 IN  
(
$$\frac{1}{5}$$
 = MOMENT OF TNERTIA SCALE = 1:9.5 (F.S)  
FULL SCALE LIPPER SHAFT MODEL UPPER SHAFT  
O.D. 2.63 IN I= 1.70 O.D 0.081 IN. SOLD  
I.D. 1.881N I = 2.11×10<sup>6</sup> IN<sup>4</sup>  
( $\frac{1}{5}$ ) = MOMENT OF INERTIA SCALE = 1:15  
BALLBG.  
PULLEY  
R<sub>1</sub>  
R<sub>2</sub> STOP ANGLE  
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AS THE CORE BARREL BENDS & MAKES CONTACT  
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WITH THE DRILL COLLAR (DEPRESENTED BY THE STOP

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FROUDE SCALING  
FOR THE SECTION OF THE CORE PAREL EXTENDED  
DEFLECTION = 
$$\partial = \frac{W_{0}^{3}}{BEL}$$
  
So THAT  $\partial$  MODEL =  $\frac{F_{M} L_{M}^{3}}{BEL_{M}}$  or  $\frac{d_{M}}{L_{M}} = \frac{F_{M} L_{M}^{2}}{BEL_{M}}$   
WRITING  
 $\frac{F_{M} L_{M}^{2}}{BEL_{M}} = \frac{F_{FS} L_{FS}^{2}}{SO THAT} \frac{\delta M}{L_{M}} = \frac{\delta F.S}{BEL_{M}}$   
NOW  
 $\frac{I_{M}}{I_{FS}} = \frac{FORCE_{MOREL}}{FORCE_{FS}} \left(\frac{L_{MODEL}}{L_{F,S}}\right)$   
SINCE FORCE SCALING =  $(\frac{1}{V})^{3} & L_{M} & L_{F,S} \\ SCALE FORCE SCALING =  $(\frac{1}{V})^{3} & L_{M} & L_{F,S} \\ FFS. = \frac{F_{M} L_{M}^{2} (I_{FS})}{I_{FS}} = \frac{I \times 20^{2} 44}{(5521 \times 10^{-5} (300)^{2}} = 2731.S$   
 $= 10.9 LB/LIN FT.$   
DEFLECTION FULL SCALE  
 $\delta_{FS} = \frac{\delta_{M} L_{FS}}{L_{M}} = \sqrt{5} (150) = 7.5 INCHES$   
CALCULATED BENDING MOMENT (NO AXIAL LOAD)  
BM = 273 (150) = 40, 008 IN, LBS  
APPLIED AXIAL FORCE = 13,000 LB  
TOTAL B, M = 13,000 (7.5) + 40,008  
 $= 137,5001N, LB$  (NO SECONDARY BENDING)$ 

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HYDRALIC PISTON COREL	D			
UPPER SHAFT ANALYSIS				
$I = 4 IN^4$ $I = 2.19 IN^4$				
$A = \frac{180}{180} - \frac{180}{180} - \frac{360}{180} - \frac{180}{180} - \frac{180}{180$				
EIL 0.02 .013.02 .013.0006 .00				
DIST FACTOR 01 .39.61 .956.044 01				
 CARRY ONSE 0.61 0.61 .01				
FEM (KIPS) + 313.39 0				
BALANCE JOINT'B' - 313,39				
CARRY OVER TO'C' -191.16				
BALANCE JOINT 'C' + 74.56 +116.61				
CARRY OVER TO'D' 0 +71.13				
BALANCE JOINT 'D'				
CARRYOVER TO E O				
MOMENTS +313.39 -313.39 -116.6 +116.6 +3.13 -3.13				
AXIAL LOAD = 13,000LB.				
DISTRIBUTED SIDE FORCE = 1.5 LB/LIN INCH				
MAX BENDING MOMENT = Py, + WL = 313,390 IN-LB.	~			
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#### APPENDIX D

#### HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER

#### THREADED CONNECTIONS ANALYSIS

#### CONTENTS

Problem Statement

Work Done

Discussion

Analysis Summary

#### Topics

Taper threads in relatively thin section pipe. Methods for reacting couping forces by shoulder abuttment.

The effects of reduced cross sectional area due to thread relief and pressure seal grooves.

The effects of "snatch" forces during H.P.C. make up and redress. Stopping of the travelling mass when taking inadvertent water cores.

Corrosion alleviation by substituting Nimonic stainless steel.

Prepared by:

#### HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER THREAD ANALYSIS

#### PROBLEM STATEMENT

The connecting thread elements used in the H.P.C. are generally consistent with thosed used in the drill string. In the H.P.C. function there are additional loads applied to the threads which result from load reversal, impact stop forces and pull-back. The available envelope ( diameter of the drill collar and spacing of the components) is a constraining factor.

Lengthening of thread engagement can be accomplished without severe change to the configuration. The critical regions are in the area of thread relief, necessary to achieve shoulder-to-shoulder abutment, and the recesses for the seal rings.

The alleviation of corrosion and the substitution of material to meet that objective was were also included.

#### OBJECTIVES

The object of the analysis was to determine the feasibility of using corrosion resistant metal which may have lower working yield stress capability. The purpose was to investigate potential improvement in service life of the H.P.C., to reduce the time to redress the components between successive coring deployment; to improve the cost effectiveness and life expectancy of the equipment.

#### Work Done

Nimonic 60 stainless steel was proposed in an effort to combat corrosion and improve operational turn-around for the H.P.C. Particular attention was required in the areas of undercutting and recessing which create "notch sensitivity" especially when impact and load reversal conditions apply.

These critical sections were subjected to detail analysis. The end stroke snubbing which involves methods for venting pressure and discharging the flow of fluid through drilled holes in the barrel had significant impact on the analysis.

#### Discussion

The analysis indicates that Nimonic 60 stainless steel in the mill condition was satisfactory but a reduced margin of safety resulted. The impact design case used showed the inner seal sub to have a negative margin. The condition can be solved by improvement in the snubbing system.

A summary of the results of the analysis is included along with recommendations for limiting the applied pull-out force.

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SUMMARY OF ANALYSIS	M 50 J
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27 1210 SHAFT 1213	UNDER CUT GROOVE FOR SHEAR PIN. 2.36 DIA-1.875 DIA IMPACT FORCE Z 70,000LB 43,392 P.S.I. MARGIN 1.29 ON YIELD FOR NITRONIC 60 ST. STL.
23 1214 INNER SEAL SUB	IMPACT FORCE Z 70,0001B STRESS ON THREAD CONNECT WITH 1210 MARGIN 2.7 ON VIELD FOR NITRONIG 60 ST. STL. IMPACT 210,000 LB NEG 1.11 MARGIN ON YIELD FOR NITRONIC 60 ST. STL.
11 1231 DOUBLE PIN SUB	NO CHANGE MARGIN ADEQUATE FOR 4130.
8? 1212 LOWER OUTER BODY	IMPACT FORCE 210,000 LB. JE = 158,447 p.s.1. IMPACT = 70,000 JE = 52,830

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		NOT CRITICAL
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#### APPENDIX E

#### HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER

#### RETRIEVAL FORCE ALLEVIATION

#### CONTENTS

Problem Staement

Candidate Approaches

Study Matrix

Discussion

Category Grouping.

### Topics

Study Matrix a listing and first order evaluation of proposed approaches for the solution.

Sketches for design concepts.

Description of a cursory test and scaling technique.

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#### HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER

#### RETRIEVAL FORCE ALLEVIATION

Problem Statement

Hydraulic Piston Coring into increasingly stiffer sediment, produces greater resistance to pull-out. These H.P.C. pull-out forces are approaching the capacity limits of ship-board auxilliary equipment.

The objective of this study is to evaluate methods for the alleviation the holding force of the corer barrel when driven into the sediment.

Candidate Approaches

Cutting shoe profile (shaping)

Fluid flow to the shoe tip & annulus.

Expendable sheath.

Rotation of the lower barrel.

Vibration & Jarring of the corer

Retrievable sheath.

Coated lower barrel.

Flexible shoe.

Study Matrix.

The study matrix presents a description, functional analysis, a statement on the available equipment, fabrication factors, test requirements and competitive criteria comparison.

Discussion

Sketches which show the configurations are shown to aid in the selection process of candidate concepts. There appears to be a possibility of grouping concepts which involve similar design and/or functional approach.

Category Grouping The shaping of the shoe may be designed to compress or splay the cored hole (sidewall) thus relieving the retention condition. Items No1 & No 8 may be evaluated on competitive terms. The expendable and retrievable sheath configurations 3 & 6 and the coated barrel No 7 have similar end approaches.

The Deep Sea Drilling Project has significant advantage over"gravity drop" oceanographic coring tools in that jarring and pull-back can be accomplished by raising the drill pipe.

# RETRIEVAL FORCE ALLEVIATION MATRIX

CONCEPT	DESCRIPTION	FUNCTION ANALYSIS	FAB. FACTORS	TEST REQMTS	REMARKS
Cutting Shoe Profile	Shape the externa profile of the cutting shoe	al Hydrodynamic shaping. Flow testing of models	Machine Test parts	Flow Channel Stab tests	No operation- al risk
Fluid flow to shoe & tip	Cut spiral flutes Cut flutes axial along core barre	Break the side by of the cored hole. Neg. Press. in pull-back draws in water lub.effec	Machine O.D. of barrel	Test in operation	Notches the barrel
Expendable Sheath	On O.D. of Barre Instal a sliding element	l Provide initial sliding at start of pull-out	No impact	Test in op ation Stab tests	Left in core hole could cause problem
Rotation of Lower barrel	Unlock a thread connection & allow the barrel to rotate	Rotate the barrel to break the side hole bond	New design to unlock the cutting shoe in pull out	Model test & shore test in sediment	Core barrel must not rotate around core Destoy alignmt. or twist core
Vibration & Jarring	Use drill deck equipment				Limit force on drill string
Coated lower barrel	Hard smooth surface on lower barrel	Provide an inpenetrate- able surface on the barrel	Electroplate Flame sp ay	Test in oper- ation	No risk involved.
Corer barrel 0.D. config- urations	Refer to sketches 8,9,&10	Enlarge core hole during penetration relax during	New shoe Design	Stab test Test in oper- ation	No risk involved.

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SCALE TEST

A CURSORY TEST WAS RUN TO QUALITATIVELY OBSERVE THE EFFICIS OF PULL BACK FORCE ON FOUR SECTIONS OF TUBE, DRIVEN INTO SATUARATED GARDEN CLAY, THE RESULTS ARE TABULATED AS FOLLOWS!

DIA INS	CIRCUMF .	GINCE	LENGTH . LOAD/IN	FORCE LOAD/IN		
3/8	1.178	6	.85	12.5	, 884	
۱.	3.1416	13	.69	25	.663	
海	3.927	15.5	.637	·33 <sup>wb 60</sup>	. 70	
13/4	5.977	18	.5019	-		

THE (FORCE) LOAD PER INCH APPEARS TO DECREASE WITH INCREASE IN DIAMETER, HOWEVER IT SHOULD BE NOTICED THAT THE L/D RATIO IS 32 FOR A 12 INCH LENGTH OF 3/8 DIA TUBE WHEREAS THE L/D REDUCES TO 9.6 FOR A 12 INCH LENGTH OF 1/4 DIA TUBE.

APPLYING FROUDE SCALING FACTORS L = LENGTH L= AREA Fm= Vm/Lmg > Fm V2m LES 13 = FORCE F= - V=/L=g - F= V= Lmg V model \_\_\_\_\_ V FULL SCALE THEN V motel V L FULL SCALE 9 Lm (VF) VELOCITY SCALING ( VFULL SCALE) Vmodel = PRESSURE SCALING PFULLSCALE Pmodel  $V^2Sf$  AREA =  $(\frac{1}{2})^2$   $PRESSURE = (\frac{1}{2})^2$ TOTAL FORCE W  $W_{\text{model}} = \left(\frac{1}{\chi}\right)^3 W_{\text{FULL SCALE}}$ THEN

THE 3/8 DIA X 12 INCH TUBE MORE CLOSELY CONFORMS TO THE 3.5 INCH × 180 INCH CORER BARREL, & WILL

BE REVIEWED FOR COMPARISION USING FROUPE SCALING TECHNIQUES.

3/8 DIA TUBE

SCALE FACTOR L= 9.334

FORCE VARIES AS THE CUBE OF THE SCALE FACTOR

FFULL SCALE = FMODEL L3

 $12,5(9,334)^3 = 10,165 LB$ 

THIS COMPARISON NEGLECTS THE LENGTH FACTOR 180/12= 15. TO COMPENSATE FOR THIS DIFFERENCE USE THE RATIO OF CIRCUMFERENCE 9,934 AND THE AREA SCALING FACTOR L<sup>2</sup>, AND THE PULL BACK FORCE PER INCH,

FOR THE 3/8 DIAX 12 INCH TUBE USE, 884 LB/INCH

THEN

 $F_{\text{FULLSCALE}} = F_{\text{MODEL}} L^2$ = , 884(9,334)<sup>2</sup> = 77 LB/INCH

FOR 15 FEET LENGTH OF 3.5 INCH DIA CORER BARREL THE PROBABLE PULL BACK FORCE = 13,863, LB. THERE IS A HIGH PROBABILITY THAT THE PULL BACK FORCE INCREASES EXPONENTIALLY WITH THE DEPTH OF CORER PENETRATION.

#### APPENDIX F

#### HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER LANDING IMPACT

#### CONTENTS

Problem Statement

WorkDone

Discussion

Conclusions

#### Topics

A H.P.C. instrumented core barrel was to be landed onto a suuport bearing within the Drill String to a depth of 20,000 feet.

Terminal velocity estimates with varying hydrodynamic drag values An evaluation of the impact on the instrument package.

Transmissibility of shock .

Testing of the shock mitigation device.

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W. NUGENT Mr.S.T.Serocki. Chief Engineer REG. PROPESSIONAL ENDINEER Deep Sea Drilling Project. ASSOCIATE FELLOW AIAA University of California at San Diego. La Jolla, California Subject: Impact of the Core Barrel on the Support Bearing Mount. 1.0 Problem Statement. During coring operation an instrumented core barrel is allowed to fall within the drill pipe at its terminal velocity, estimated to be 500 feet per minute. The purpose of this analysis is to define the impact acceleration and make a preaction as to the shape of the curve. 2.0 Work Done. A check on the range of the terminal velocity was made, with variation in hydrodynamic drag coefficient. An estimate of the spring rate for the elements and the characteristics at the impact face was made and used in the solution of a spring mass system. Damping factors were developed and used intuitively Five Cases were examined as follows: I.Free fall of the mass at 10 ft/sec. no damping. II " 18 ft/sec. light damping III 10 ft/sec. more heavily damped IV same as III, but with reduced damping coefficient & spring rate. same as IV, dut with reduced damping coefficient. An additional analysis evaluates the effect of the impact on the instrument package installed within the core barrel. 3.0 Conclusions. The conclusions drawn from the work done are: 1) Case I an undamped system does not occur in reality, but serves to indicate the maximum impact condition for the selected case. 2) Case II was developed to examine the effects of increased descent velocity ( 18ft/sec.) 3) Cases III, IV, and V, vary mainly by the degree of damping coefficient applied. 4) Case II presents the most severe condition. 5) The instrument package can be protected against exposure to high positive or negative acceleration if the mounting has a spring frequency  $J = \frac{1}{211} \sqrt{\frac{f_2}{m}} = 83.5 \text{ Hz}^2$  A 30 lb instrument The data generated is plotted for Cases I, II, III, IV, & V. The plotted data shows the Change in Velocity versus Time and enables the acceleration to be derived as a tangent to points on the curve.

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# VALUES FOR C AND K.

THE CORE BARREL PACKAGE FALLS AT A TERMINAL VELOCITY ATTAINED WHEN THE STATE OF EQUILIDELIUM. IS REACHED BETWEEN THE TOTAL DRAG FORCE ACTING (FRONTAL & SURFACE FRICTION) AND THE WEIGHT. THEN W = D. IN A FLUID MEDIUM DRAG IS EXPRESSED AS 1/2 PCDSV<sup>2</sup> THEN W = 1/2 PCDSV<sup>2</sup> AND

$$V = \left(\frac{W}{1/2} \right)^{1/2}$$

FROM THE GEOMETRY OF THE CORE BARREL & CD OF 215 USED THE MASS DENSITY OF SEA WATER ~ 2 FRONTAL AREA 121N2 = VIZ FT2

$$\left(\frac{360 \times 12}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 46.47 \text{ FT/SEC}$$

THE VALUE FOR DRAG COEFFICIENT FOR A LONG SLENDER BODY MOVING WITHIN A CYLINDER IS SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER THAN THE CHARATERISTIC CASE OF 2.0 THEREFORE CONSIDER AN INCREASE BY ORDER OF MAGNITUDE, AND WE GET 14,7FT/SEC SPECIFIED VELOCITY IS 500 FT/MIN. ~ USE 10 FT/SEC

DAMPING CONSTANT ZERO TO ESTABLISH MAXIMUM IMPACT

SPRING RATE

USING 180,000 PSL BEARING STRESS AND. 80 OF THE ANNULUS AREA OF THE IMPACT STOP. ~ 2,64 IN<sup>2</sup> ASSUME THE COLUMN DEFLECTS 0,12 (BOWING DURING IMPACT) DEFLECTION OF CONTACT 0.005 BEARING DEFLECTION 0.005 TOTAL DEFLECTION 0.13 INCLES \$,0175.

ALLOWABLE SURFACE LOAD = 180,000 × 2.64 = 475,200 16. SPRING RATE LB/F7 = 47,520,000

THE PLOT OF THESE DATA POINTS WILL INDICATE A CONTINUING CYCLE WHICH IN REALITY DOES NOT OCCUR.

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WRITING THE EQUATION OF MOTION IN TERMS OF THE DISPLACEMENT X, A DAMPING CONSTANT C AND A SPRING RATE K, THE FOLLOWING EQUATION IS DEVELOPED  $Cx + Kx = -M\ddot{x}$ OR  $\frac{d^{3}x}{dt^{2}} + \frac{c}{m}\frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{k}{m}x = 0$  EQU(1) LET C/M = 2a AND  $k/m = b^{2}$ THEN EQU(1) CAN BE WRITTEN AS  $\frac{d^{2}x}{dt^{2}} + 2a\frac{dx}{dt} + b\frac{dx}{x}$ SOLUING THE QUALATIC USING  $Aa^{dk}$   $a^{2} + 2a + b^{2} = 0$   $d + a = t\sqrt{a^{2} - b^{2}}$   $d_{1} = -a - \sqrt{a^{2} - b^{2}}$   $d_{2} = -a + \sqrt{a^{2} - b^{2}}$ THEN  $X = Ae^{d_{1}k} + Be^{d_{2}k}$  IS THE COMPLETE SOLUTION

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MASS OF CORE BARLILL = $.360/32.2 = 11.180 \ \text{LESEC}^2$ , ACCELERATION = $T.B.D. \sim 6000 \ \text{EST}.$ PESCENT VELOCITY = $10 \ \text{FT}/\text{SEC}$ SPRING RATE = $47.5 \times 10^6 \ \text{Ib}/\text{FT}.$ DAMPING CONSTANT = .0
FROM PACE (1) $\chi = Ae^{a_1 t} + Be^{a_2 t}$ $c/m=2a=0, k/m = b^2 = 4,248,611; b = 2061$
LET D = 2000 FOR NUMERICAL ANALYSIS
$d = -a \pm \sqrt{a^2 - b^2}$ WHEN $a = 0$ $b^2 = 4,000,000$
THEN $X = Ae^{(2000i)t} + Be^{(-2000i)t}$
AND WHEN CED ARE CONSTANTS DEPENDING ON THE INITIAL CONDITIONS, $X = E^{\pm}(C \cos 2000 \pm 4)$ Sim 2000 $\pm$ )
$dx = e^{t} (C \cos 2000 t + DSin 2000t)  de + e^{t} (-2000 C \sin 2000t + 2000 D \cos 2000t)$
FOR THE INITIAL CONDITIONS X=0, V=10, & E.=O
WHEN $t=0$ , $X=0$ . THEN $C=0$ WHEN $t=0$ , $V=10$ . THEN $D=,005$
PUT THESE VALUES IN X = et (ccos 2000t + DSil 2000t)
= et(,005 Sin 2000t)
$\frac{dx}{dt} = e^{t}(.005 \sin 2000t + 10 \cos 2000t)$
$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = e^{t(.005Sin 2000t + 10 (052000t))}$ $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + e^{t(10\cos 2000t - 20000sin 2000t)}$



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1. DATA PRESENTED ROUGH DRAFT OF REPORT DS.DP H.2 GENERAL CONCLUSION OF MEETING FORCE OF IMPACT ~ 335,000 LB THEORETIC G'S ~ 900 G TRANSMITTED G'S ~ 90 G.
2. CORRECTION TO ESTIMATE FOR DETERMINING SPRING CONSTANT LIMIT THE ALLOWARLE STIZESS AT THE FACE OF THE LANDING SUB & THE BEARING BLOCK TO 120,000 psl THIS PRODUCES (120,000 × 1.35) 162,000 LB END FORCE THE END FORCE 360 (400g)/1.35 = 106,666 PSL
CASE IV
MASS OF CORE BARREC = 11.18 LBSEC/F. ACCELERATION T.B.D. DESCENT VELOCITY = 10.732 C. EPICING RATE R: = 10.84x10 <sup>5</sup> LB/FT DAMPING CONSTANT = 11952 LB-SEC/F. DESTACED VOLVE IN LOWER CHAMBER 3.5T (6)/(1728) = 0.033 FT <sup>2</sup> PLISE PRESSURE IN COWER CHAMBER 3.5T (6)/(1728) = 0.033 FT <sup>2</sup> PLISE PRESSURE IN COWER CHAMBER 3.5T (6)/(1728) = 0.033 FT <sup>2</sup> PLISE PRESSURE IN COWER CHAMBER 5.5T (6)/(1728) = 0.033 FT <sup>2</sup> PLISE PRESSURE IN COWER CHAMBER 5.5T (6)/(1728) = 0.033 FT <sup>2</sup> PLISE PRESSURE IN COWER CHAMBER 5.5T (6)/(1728) = 0.033 FT <sup>2</sup> PLISE PRESSURE IN COWER CHAMBER 5.5T (6)/(1728) = 0.031 FT <sup>2</sup> ENCITH OF THE LOWER CHAMBER 5.5T (6)/(1728) = 0.031 FT <sup>2</sup> FLOW THROUGH THE CONSTRUCTORY FLOW THROUGH CONCENTRIC CYLINDERS Q = $\frac{10.55}{100} \times 1.3x0^2 FT^3/SEC$ $\frac{1}{2}N^2$ ( $\frac{29}{6} \times F$ )) $F = \frac{\sqrt{2}A^3 ST}{(Cda)^2 (25)}$ DAMPING FORCE = 2988 LR. (110.5 FT IN .05 SECONIES THEN DAMPING RATE = 2988 FORME = 11952 LB-SEC (119520 LB/10FT/SEC VEL TIME DIST FT 101

NUMERICAL ANALYSIS CASE IV

 $X = Ae^{a_1t} + Be^{a_2t}$  C/m = 2a = 1069;  $f_2/m = b^2 = 16.85 \times 10^5$ let a = 500; Let b = 1298 $d = -a \pm \sqrt{a^2 - b^2}.$ = -500± 1198.87L THEN X = Ae (-500+12001) + Be (-500-12001) + = e- soot ( Ae 12001 + Be-12001) = e-500t ( C cosizoo & + D sui izoot) V= dx = -500e=500t (C cosizoot + DSin 1200t) + e = 500t (-1200 C Sin 1200t + 1200 D Cas 1200t) INITIAL CONDITIONS : X=0, V=10, t=0 WHEN E= 0, X=0, AND C=0 WHEN E=6, V=10 THEN D=.0833 X = e-soot (20833 Sm 1200t) dx = - 500 e 500t (.00833 Sin 1200t) + e 500t (10 cos 1200t)  $d^2 x = 25 \times 10e^{-500t} (.00833 Sin 1200t) - 500e^{-500t} (.10 Cos 1200t)$ - 500 = 500 (10 Cos 1200 t) + e - 500 t (- 1200 0 Sui 1200 t) PERIOD J= 2TI = 5.22 × 10-3 SECONDS

## CORE BARREL ASSEMELY IMPACT CONDITION

A PREVIOUS DROP TEST OF A CYLINDRICAL SHAPED BODY WITH & POINTED SPIKE ON & FLAT STEEL PLATE PRODUCE A 700 9 (.O.4 MILLISECOND) HALF SINE WAVE PULSE THE SHOCK RESPONSE OF A SPRING MASS SYSTEM WAS CALCULATED BY THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE F = ITN TO NAT FREP m THE EQUATION OF MOTION IS =qu(1) m[dx + v(E)] - kdx = 0 WHERE SX IS THE RELATIVE ACCL=(X-V) 7777777 - J VIS THE INPUT ACCL = Vmax Sin II when 0=t=Y = O when J=E T IS THE ACCELERATION PULSE WIDTH IN SECONDS THE SOLUTION OF EQU(1) IS!  $EPU(2) \quad \partial_{x} = \underbrace{\mathbb{S}_{P}}_{1-T^{2}/4T^{2}}\left(\operatorname{SIN} \frac{\Pi t}{T} - \underbrace{\mathbb{I}}_{2T} \operatorname{Sin} \mathcal{W}_{n} t\right) \left[ 0 \leq t \leq T \right]$ EQU (3) dx = Sp (T/ TCOS (TI T/T) Sin W(E- K) [Y = E WHERE SP IS THE STATIC DEFLECTION OF THE MASS ASSUMING A STEADY LOAD SX'IS MAXIMUM WHEN E>T TIS ASSUMPTION. LET THE INSTRUMENT PACKAGE WEIGH ESLB. AND THE POTTING COMPOND HAVE A COMPRESSIVE YIELD = 3,000 PEL THE SUPPORT AREA = SO INCH AND THE TOTAL DEFLECTION BE . OS INCHES FOR THE APPLIED STATIC LOAD OF 3000 LB f = 1 / 72×104 = 83,2 HZ 103

IF THE CORE BARREL AND THE BOTTOM DRILL COLINILISI ARE CONSIDERED AS A SPRING MASS SYSTEM CASE IT THE INSTRUMENT RECEPTICLE DEFLECTS 105 BY A & DOOLIS STATIC LOAD . 6000/80 = 75 GRAVITIES f = 83.2 HZ. T = "01304 SECONDS 7 = ,0016 MILLISECOND; T/7 = 8,15  $W_n = 2II$ IN NATURAL FIREQUENCY RADS/SEC  $EQU(4) \ S_{MAX} = \frac{5}{5p} \frac{7.37}{(.0123)^2} \frac{\cos(\pi.7.37)}{(4(.0016^2)^{-1})} \sin(\frac{2\pi}{T} [t - \frac{7}{2}] [T = t]$ ) = ,03463 % LOOK FOR MAXIMUM PRODUCED BY FUNCTIONS OF + SIN 21 [E-Z] LET THIS = | .... IF ... THEN SIN(TI) IS PROBABLY & MAXIMUM 2TT [t-72] = 1  $AND t = \frac{TT}{2T} \left( \frac{T}{2T} \right) + \frac{2}{2}$ Sus II = Sun (2][L-1] £ = ,00391 4 - 00326 : 03463 (960) 31,16 < 31.16 < 35.29

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$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{M}^{K_{0}} \frac{1}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{11.18}^{10} \frac{19 \times 10^{6}}{11.18} = 207 \text{ Hz}$$
  
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FROM THE TRANSMISSIBILITY EXPRESSION IT IS SEEN THAT THE TRANSMISSIBILITY IS INFINITE AT RESONANCE



FROM ANALYSIS AND TEST THE DAMPING RATE IS SHALL THE FREQUENCY RATIO W/WN APPEARS TO BE ~ 0.95 AS A CONSEQUENCE THE CONDITIONS ARE NEAR RESONANCE

CONSIDER THE DAMPING RATIO 4GC = 0.2 W/Wn~ 1.0

$$K_T = \int \frac{1 + (2(0.2)^2}{(2.(0.2)^2)} = 2.693$$

WHEN C' = 0.15 KT = 3.5

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conclusions:

- I. FROM THIS AND PREVIOUS ANALYSIS IT IS SEEN THAT THE IMPACT CONDITIONS APPROACH OR EXCEED THE BOUNDARY CONDITIONS (SOOG AND SHE PULSE - 3000g IMS PULSE) OF THE ACCELEROMETER.
  - NOTE : 311 g AND 4.85 MS HALF SINE PULSE AT IMPACT THIS CASE 930 g AND 1.6 MS " CASE I STUDY ~400 g AND 2.0 MS " CASE IV STUDY

THE TEANSMISSIBILITY ~ 2.5 TO 3 COULD PRODUCE ~ 1000g

THE VIBRATION DUE TO FLOW THROUGH DURING DESCENT 200-400 42 IT IS NOT APPARENT THE THE LOAD FACTOR WOULD BE EXCEED IN THIS CASE

WITHOUT SPECIAL HANDLING & OR SHOCK & VIERATION PROTECTION THERE APPEARS TO BE HIGH RISK DEPLOYING THE INSTRUMENT PACKAGE (PARTICULARLY THE ACCELERGMETER) IN THIS ENVIRONMENT



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## PARTS LIST AND ASSEMBLY DRAWINGS

### VARIABLE LENGTH HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER (VLHPC)

# VARIABLE LENGTH HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER (VLHPC) PARTS LIST - COMPONENTS

PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	DRAWING NUMBER
OL 1019	Seal Sleeve	B-1030
	TOP SUB ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 4309	Top Sub Cap	R-0P4309
OP 4307	Top Sub Body	B-0P4307
OP 4156	Male Adapter F/Top Sub	A-1264
OP 4157	Female Adapter F/Top Sub	A-1256
OP 4155	V-Spacer F/Top Sub	A-1266
	SWIVEL ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 4365	Inner Swivel Body	B-0P4365
OP 4366	Swivel Retainer	B-0P4366
OP 4367	Outer Swivel Body	B-0P4367
	SHAFT ASSEMBLY	
OP 4329	Bypass Sub (7/32")	R-0P4329
OP 4317	Shear Bushing (7/32) F/Bypass Sub	A-0P4317
OP 4314	Shaft Connector	B-0P4314
OP 4320	4.5 m Shaft Link	B-0P4320
OP 4354	3.0 m Shaft Link	B-0P4354
OP 4355	Lower Shaft	B-OP4355
	INNER SEAL SUB ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 4150	Inner Seal Sub	в-0927-0
OP 4151	Inner Seal Retainer	B-0928
OP 4324	Male Adapter F/Inner Seal Sub	A-0P4323
OP 4325	Female Adapter F/Inner Seal Sub	A-0P4325
OP 4326	V-Spacer F/Inner Seal Sub	A-0P4326
	PISTON ROD ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 4364	Upper Piston Rod	B-0P4364
OP 4371	4.5 m Piston Rod Link	B-0P4371
OP 4335	3.0 m Piston Rod Link	B-0P4335
OP 4341	Rod Connector	A-0P4341
OP 4344	Lower Piston Rod	B-0P4344
	PISTON HEAD ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 4381	Q-R Piston Head	B-0P4381
OP 4345	Q-R Piston Seal Retainer	A-0P4345
OP 4383	Lock Pin - Piston	A-0P4383
OP 4390	Male Adapter F/Piston Head	A-0P4390
OP 4391	Female Adapter F-Piston Head	A-0P4391
OP 4392	V-Spacer F/Piston Head	A-OP 4392

# VARIABLE LENGTH HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER (VLHPC) PARTS LIST - COMPONENTS Continued

PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	DRAWING NUMBER
	SHEAR PIN ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 4312	Sleeve - Outer Body Cap	A-0P4312
OP 4310	Sleeve Ring - Outer Body Cap	A-0P4310
OP 4321	Outer Body Cap (7/32)	A-OP4321
OP 4318	Shear Bushing (7/32) F/Outer Body Cap	A-0P4318
OP 4357	7/32" Dia. Shear Pin	A-0P4357
	OUTER BODY ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 4313	Outer Body Vent	B-0P4313
OP 4343	4.5 m Outer Body Link	B-OP4343
OP 4356	3.0 m Outer Body Link	B-OP4356
OP 4328	Lower Outer Body	B-0P4328
	OUTER SEAL SUB ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 4160	Outer Seal Sub	C-0921
OP 4363	Outer Seal Retainer	A-0P4363
OP 4394	Male Adapter F/Outer Seal Sub	A-0P4394
OP 4395	Female Adapter F/Outer Seal Sub	A-0P4395
OP 4396	V-Spacer F/Outer Seal Sub	A-0P4396
	QUICK DISCONNECT ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 3055	Q/R Shoulder Sub	R-0P3055
OP 4338	Q/R Cap Sub	C-OP4338
OP 4337	Sleeve - Q/R Shoulder Sub	B-OP4337
OP 4340	Dogs - Q/R Shoulder Sub	B-OP 4340
	INNER BARREL ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 4342	Upper Liner Seal Sub	B-0P4342
OP 3210	4.5 m Inner Core Barrel	B-WL-21
OP 4353	3.0 m Inner Core Barrel	B-0P4353
OP 4360	Lower Liner Seal Sub	B-0P4360
OP 3400	Core Liner	A-1230
OP 4382	Plastic Tube Support (VLHPC)	A-0P4382
	CORE CATCHER ASSEMBLY	N/A
OP 4376	Catcher Sub	B-0P4376
OP 4109	Spring, Flapper Core Catcher	A-1290
OP 4112	Flapper, Flapper Core Catcher	B-1296
OP 4113	Cylinder, Flapper Core Catcher	B-1297
OR 7020	Dog (8) Type Core Catcher	A-0191

#### VARIABLE LENGTH HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER (VLHPC) PARTS LIST - WIRELINE

PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	DRAWING NUMBER
OP 4347	Single Shot Pressure Case	B-0P4347
OP 4350	Single Shot Top Plug F/Pressure Case	B-0P4350
OP 4349	Single Shot Bottom Plug F/Pressure Case	B-OP4349
OP 4358	Pipe Plug F/Bottom Plug	A-0P4358
OP 4351	Non-Magnetic Sinker Bar	B-0P4351
	KUSTER SINGLE SHOT ASSEMBLY	KUSTER P/N
	0-20 Angle Unit (short)	2299-101
	Battery Case, 5 Cell*	4030-105
	Electronic Timer**	3600-101
	Main Frame, Short	4100-102
	Spacer Tube, Short	4104-101
	E.T. Test Sleeve	3601-000
	Anchor	6221-001
	Plug	6221-002
	Tang	6221-003
	Anchor Screw	6221-004
	Set Screw	791-049
	Nose Spring 6"	6221-001
	0-Ring	6205-001
	Film Disc Loader	4301-100
	Developing Tank	4401-100
	Carrying Case - S.S.	4600-000
	Disco Reader	4602-000
	Orientation Reader	4604-000
	Non-Steel Jacketed Batteries (1.5 V C-size (Hot Shot Prod. Col.)	

\*Battery Case, 3-Cell \*\*Clock, 90 minutes Flash Unit 4030-103 3201-101 4025-101

#### VARIABLE LENGTH HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER (VLHPC) PARTS LIST - SET SCREWS, ETC.

PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	DRAWING NUMBER
OP 4302	1/2-13 x 3/4 Socket Set Screw F/Top Sub Cap 1/2-13 x 3/4 Socket Set Screw F/Q.R. Sleeve	A-OP4302 A-OP4302
OP 4301	1/2-20 x 3/4 Socket Head Cap Screw F/Overshot Alignment	A-0P4301
OP 4369	5/8-11 x 1/2 Socket Set Screw F/Outer Swivel Body	A-0P4369
OP 4361	3/8-16 x 3/8 Socket Set - Half Dog Core Liner Retainer Screw F/Upper Liner Seal Sub	A-0P4361
OP 4185	3/8-16 x 3/8 Socket Set Screw F/4.5 m Shaft Link 3/8-16 x 3/8 Socket Set Screw F-3.9 m Shaft Link 3/8-16 x 3/8 Socket Set Screw F/Inner Seal Sub 3/8-16 x 3/8 Socket Set Screw F/Lower Outer Body 3/8-16 x 3/8 Socket Set Screw F/Outer Shaft 3/8-16 x 3/8 Socket Set Screw F/Outer Seal Sub	A1471 A-1471 A-1471 A-1471 A-1471 A-1471
	3/8-16 x 3/8 Socket Set Screw F/Swivel Retainer	A-14/1

NOTE: All set screws are alloy steel with cadmium plating and nyloc locking.

# VARIABLE LENGTH HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER (VLHPC) PARTS LIST ANCILLARY TOOLS

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OP	4192	Hang Off Plate	B-0942
OP	4330	Sighting Bar - Baseline Orientation	C-0P4330
OP	4331	Telescope Frame - Baseline Orientation	C-OP4331
OP	4332	Sighting Bar Reducer	B-0P4332
OP	4334	Orientation Hold Down Strap	A-0P4334
OP	4389	Drill Jig - Core Liner Orientation Lock	A-0P4389
OP	4327	Quick Release Nose Guard	R-0P4327
OP	4384	Assembly Bar for Swivel Assembly Face Spanner Wrench F/Outer Seal Retainer Assembl Parmelee Wrench (1.25 dia) F/Piston Rod Assembly Parmelee Wrench (2.18 dia) F/P Case Assembly	А-ОР4384 у
OP	3615	HPC - Handling Clamp Non-Magnetic Drill Collar Magnetic Pickup & Stud Finder (Craftsman 94001) Spanner Wrench	C-OP3615
OP	4305	Seal Installation Tool-Single Shot Pressure Case	A-0P4305
OC	1080	XCB Core Bit (10 7/32 x 3 13/16)	D-1694
OP	4333	Core Orientation Baseline Adjustment	B-0P4333

#### VARIABLE LENGTH HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER (VLHPC) PARTS LIST - ANCILLARY DRAWINGS

PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	DRAWING NUMBER
OP 4300	Variable Length Hydraulic Piston Corer Assembly	R-0P4300
OP 4311	VLHPC System Schematic	C-0P4311
OP 4348	VLHPC Single Shot Assembly	R-0P4348

#### VARIABLE LENGTH HYDRAULIC PISTON CORER (VLHPC) PARTS LIST - SEALS, O-RINGS, BACK-UP RINGS

PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	VENDOR NUMBER
OP 4158	Top Sub Seal (3.63 x 2.87)	37502850VP
OP 4154	Inner Seal Sub Seal (2.87 x 2.25)	31202250VP
OP 4393	Outer Seal Sub Seal (1.87 x 1.25)	31201250VP
OP 4179	Piston Head Seal (2.00 x 2.62)	31202000VP
OP 4148	O-Ring F/Shaft Connectors	2-326
	O-Ring F-Alternate Bypass Sub - 7/32	2-326
	O-Ring F/Inner Seal Sub	2-326
OP 4165	O-Ring F/Outer Seal Sub	2-231
OP 4147	O-Ring F/Upper Liner Seal Sub	2-232
	O-Ring F/Lower Liner Seal Sub	2-232
OP 4306	O-Ring F/Single Shot Bottom Plug	2-324
	O-Ring F/Single Shot Top Plug	2-324
OP 4385	Parbac F/Single Shot Bottom Plug	8-324
	Parbac F/Single Shot Top Plug	8-324
OP 4303	Polypac F/Inner Swivel	18702375
OP 4304	Polypac Alt. F/Single Shot Top & Bottom Plugs	18701375





















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