

CALL FOR PAPERS

The 21st AAS/AIAA Space Flight Mechanics Meeting

Loews New Orleans Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana

ABSTRACT DEADLINE: October 11, 2010

The 21st Space Flight Mechanics Meeting will be held February 13 - 17, 2011, at the Loews New Orleans Hotel in New Orleans, Louisiana. The conference is organized by the American Astronautical Society (AAS) Space Flight Mechanics Committee and co-sponsored by the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Astrodynamics Technical Committee. Papers are solicited on topics related to space flight mechanics and astrodynamics, including but not limited to:

- Asteroid and non-Earth orbiting missions
- Atmospheric re-entry guidance and control
- Attitude dynamics, determination and control
- Attitude-sensor and payload-sensor calibration
- Dynamical systems theory applied to space flight problems
- Dynamics and control of large space structures and tethers
- Earth orbital and planetary mission studies
- Flight dynamics operations and spacecraft autonomy
- Orbit determination and space-surveillance tracking
- Orbital debris and space environment
- Orbital dynamics, perturbations, and stability
- Rendezvous, relative motion, proximity missions, and formation flying
- Reusable launch vehicle design, dynamics, guidance, and control
- Satellite constellations
- Spacecraft guidance, navigation and control (GNC)
- Trajectory / mission / maneuver design and optimization

In addition to the above general topics, papers are also solicited for the following special topics:

- NASA decadal survey studies
- Innovative guidance and control test solutions

Manuscripts will be accepted based on the quality of the extended abstract, the originality of the work and/or ideas, and the anticipated interest in the proposed subject. Submissions that are based on experimental results or current data, or report on ongoing missions, are especially encouraged.

Complete manuscripts are required before the conference. The working language for the conference is English.

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Proposals are being considered for suitable special sessions, such as topical panel discussions, invited sessions, workshops, mini-symposia, and technology demonstrations. A proposal for a panel discussion should include the session title, a brief description of the discussion topic(s), and a list of the speakers and their qualifications. For an invited session, workshop, mini-symposium, or demonstration, a proposal should include the session title, a brief description, and a list of proposed activities and/or invited speakers and paper titles. Prospective special-session organizers should submit their proposals to the Technical Chairs.

BREAKWELL STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD

The AAS Space Flight Mechanics Committee announces the John V. Breakwell Student Travel Award. This award provides travel expenses for up to three (3) U.S. and Canadian students presenting papers at this conference. Students wishing to apply for this award are strongly advised to submit their completed paper by the abstract submittal deadline. The maximum coverage per student is limited to \$1000. Details and applications may be obtained via <http://www.space-flight.org>.

INFORMATION FOR AUTHORS

Because the submission deadline of October 11, 2010 has been fully extended for the convenience of contributors, there are no plans to defer this deadline due to the constraints of the conference planning schedule. Notification of acceptance will be sent via email by November 20, 2010. Detailed author instructions will be sent by email following acceptance. By submitting an abstract, the author affirms that the manuscript's majority content has not been previously presented or published elsewhere.

Authors may access the web-based abstract submittal system using the link available via the official website <http://www.space-flight.org>. During the online submission process, authors are expected to provide:

1. a paper title, as well as the name, affiliation, postal address, telephone number, and email address of the corresponding author and each co-author,
2. an extended abstract in the Portable Document File (PDF) format of at least 500 words that includes the title and authors, and provides a clear and concise statement of the problem to be addressed, the proposed method of solution, the results expected or obtained, and an explanation of its significance to astrodynamics and/or space-flight mechanics, with pertinent references and supporting tables and figures as necessary, and,
3. a condensed abstract (100 words) to be included in the conference program, which is directly typed into the text box provided on the web page and avoids the use of special symbols or characters, such as Greek letters.

Foreign contributors requiring an official letter of acceptance for a visa application should contact the Technical Chairmen by email at their earliest opportunity.

Technology Transfer Notice - Technology transfer guidelines substantially extend the time required to review abstracts and manuscripts by private enterprises and government agencies. To preclude late submissions and withdrawals, it is the responsibility of the author(s) to determine the extent of necessary approvals prior to submitting an abstract.

No-Paper/No-Podium Policy – A complete manuscript must be electronically uploaded to the web site prior to the conference in PDF format, be no more than twenty pages in length, and conform to the AAS manuscript format. If a complete manuscript is not received on time, then its presentation at the conference shall be forfeited; and if a presentation is not made by an author at the conference, then the manuscript shall be omitted from published proceedings.

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