Early Flight Control System Work Statement

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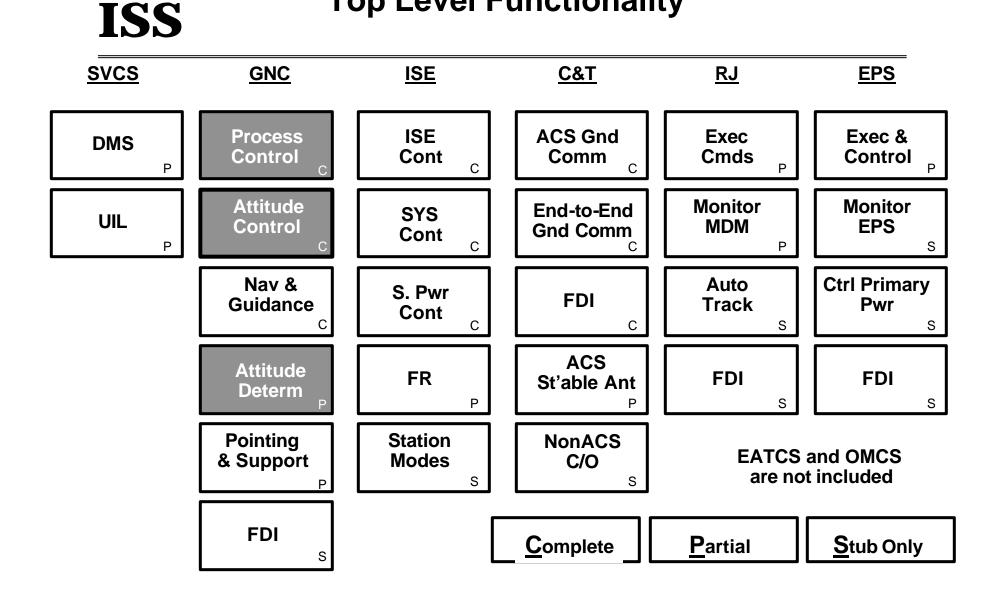
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- EFCS Task Statement
- Roles

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- The SSFPO, in Feb. 1992, asked Draper to develop an Early Flight Control System (EFCS) as a feasibility demonstration of flight critical functions essential for controlling the Space Station Freedom for Mission Builds 2-4.
 - Control System
 - Commanded from ground

Top Level Functionality

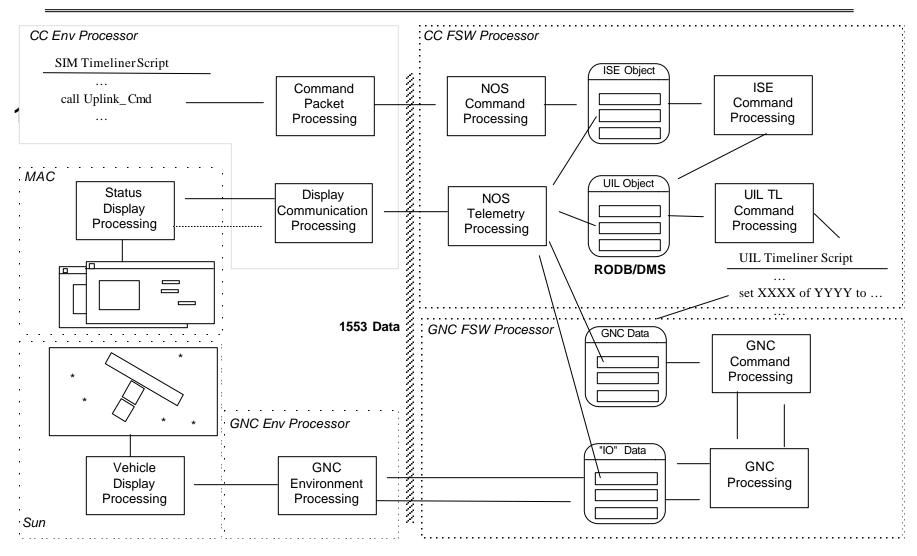


ISS Host-Based Configuration

- Initial integration is performed, non-real-time, on host computer.
- Host and real-time testbed are running identical software except for machine-dependent routines.
- All systems and all environment modules, are linked together into one Ada program (real-time environment uses multiple Ada programs).
 - Application interfaces remain the same.
- Benefits
 - Instrumenting software for debugging does not affect timing.
 - It is possible to stop a simulation, look at data, and then continue.
 - Many simulations can run at the same time.

Demo Data Flow

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- For the Control System software, the following roles need to be partitioned among the available personnel:
 - Overall leader
 - » Responsible for creating the Software Development Plan, maintaining the schedule, creating status reports, etc.
 - Requirements Analyst
 - Responsible for writing the Software Requirements Specification (SRS)
 - Control algorithm developer
 - » Responsible for the design of the control systems
 - Generates at least the Top-Level Design documentation for the Control system
 - Software architect
 - » Responsible for the high-level software design
 - Creates at least the Top-Level Design documentation laying out the structure of the software

- Control software coder
 - » Writes the Control software
- Design documenter
 - » Writes the Detailed Design document
- Test Lead
 - » Writes the Software Test Plan
- Test SW algorithm developer
- Test SW coder
- Version Control person
 - » Responsible for dealing with the version control system
- Integration lead
 - » The problem solver. Responsible for integrating the Control software with the other software in the ISS, and getting it to work
- Display developer
 - » Takes telemetry data and displays it

Guidelines

- Expect requirements changes
 - Trying to stay ahead of the main developers means NASA or the contractors might change something
- The customer wants demonstrations. Part of the job is making sure the demonstrations are professional
 - Look good
 - Provide enough information to show the system working well
- All the software was developed quickly. There is no guarantee that problems are all due to new software