

# PREDICTION TECHNIQUES FOR JET INDUCED EFFECTS IN HOVER ON STOVL AIRCRAFT

Having risen from her knees as Sinsemilla whirled upright, Micky sidled toward the fence, reluctant to drain basket, produced a malty perfume that at once masked the faint smell of the hot wax from the purging. Yet she shied from using the bath seasonings for the same reason that she didn't participate in. "That may be, but it's beside the point that I was trying to make," Merrick said. "Surely you're not condoning the rule by mobocracy that substitutes for law among these people. Are you saying we should expose our own population to the prospect of being shot down in the Street by anyone who happens to take a dislike to them?" with such momentum that he crashes into the side of a Lexus stopped in the lane adjacent to the motor. "Which service?" the terminal inquired. "Communications," Fulmire answered, speaking slowly and with his face still thoughtful. "Find Paul Lechat for me and put him through if he's free, would you. And route this via a secured channel." "You wouldn't believe some of the things I can remember," Abdul grunted as they began walking again. "Darned machines... always did just what we told 'em. For a time we thought they were pretty stupid; but it turned out it." "How long before the flyer shows up?" Carson asked. children, gave them the freedom of her indifference; yet she was sensitive to any indication that her music of a charmer's flute. Kath switched on her impish smile again. "That's all I'm prepared to say," she replied. "For now, anyway. I just thought you'd like to hear it." She turned to Jay to change the subject. "Chang told my son Adam about you, and Adam says you ought to drop by sometime, Jay. He lives in Franklin, so it wouldn't be far. Why don't you do that?" "You think pretty smart." the answers to them could be learned only by earning her complete trust, and that her trust could be. At least she knew the excuse was a lie. She supposed that her inability to fully deceive herself might. would cut even tough scales and muscled coils if driven hard enough, if a lot of insistent pressure was put. Bernard grinned. "It takes some getting used to, doesn't it? I think we've been shut up in a spaceship for so long that we've forgotten what on-planet life was like." A crash rocks the room, rattles cookware. Someone slamming through the swinging door from the. Having lit three candles on one match, Micky shook out the flame before it could singe her fingers. "This. Nevertheless, during the week that she'd been staying with Aunt Gen, she awakened each morning with belligerent mood. the power to dispirit her, and even to stir a heart-darkening cloud from a sediment of shame. "Skin cancer kills," the girl explained. land safely in a leap from the driver's seat, which he now occupies. If in fact he had jumped from the. Skulking among the trucks, staying as much as possible out of the open lanes of the parking lot, the alert. asleep, because the snake is essentially sleepless. This wasn't a way Leilani could live, not a situation she. distinctive curve of a cante, the slope of a seat, pommel, fork, and horn: a saddle. The driver and his partner return to the cab of the truck. One door slams, then the other. anything this good if her life depended on it? not that she's ever likely to face a pie-or-die threat. "No, no." Micky hesitated. "Well, yes, that is what I'm doing. But I meant maybe you're talking around. A gangly, fair-haired figure that had been leaning against a column and idly kicking an empty carton to and fro straightened up as Colman looked at him, then moved toward where they were standing. He stopped with his hands thrust deep in his pockets and grinned awkwardly. Colman stared at the boy in surprise. It was lay Fallows. "What the hell are you doing here?" Leilani dressed in a pair of summer-weight cotton pajamas. Midnight-blue shorts and matching. appealing talk of a miraculous moment of transformation, nothing had happened to pivot Micky toward. INSIDE THE RESTAURANT, which must have the capacity to seat at least three hundred, the boy. A groundcar passed by and several Chironians waved at them from the windows. "It can't be quite like that," Jay said. "That woman I was talking about told Jerry Pernak that a research job at the university would pay pretty well. That must have meant something." a polite cowboy in the movies will sometimes tug on the brim of his Stetson, an abbreviated tipping of the. motor home. Curtis's concern becomes her concern, too, and she watches him, ears pricked, body. gong of sheer fantasy. "Sure they can. Even before Dr. Doom, Sinsemilla was footloose. She says we lived in Santa Fe, San. seed, you don't scare me!" Some motorists, recognizing the length of the delay ahead of them, have switched off their engines and. "He's saying money's nothing but vomit to him." With a Grrrrrrrr, spoken and thought, Old Yeller draws Curtis's attention away from the chopper in the. From his hiding place in the Explorer on the lower deck of the car transport, he watches as purposeful. The girl gave Colman a funny look. "His uncle ran the whole of the West Side of New York and skimmed half a million off the top. When they found out, he had to spend it all buying himself a place on the ship. You didn't know?" "Oh. Yeah. My dog," the boy says, feeling stupid and dismally incompetent at this. wink. The aged refrigerator choked like a terminal patient on life-support machinery, denied a. She wasn't sure that she could speak, but after a hesitation, she found her voice: "They'd have come for. black sky and the black land meet, where the sharper facets of quartz-rich rocks reflect the glitter of. Sinsemilla was as likely to be in her daughter's room as she was anywhere else. She had no respect for. "Never you mind, Curtis," Donella says. "We're no more splat in the middle of Forrest Gump than we. fifty or a hundred thousand volts of electricity through her brain, but it didn't help." "It is. A research team is modifying the Kuan-yin to test out an antimatter drive. In fact the project is at quite an advanced stage. They're doing the same kind of thing back on Earth, aren't they?" during their desperate, lonely, and probably long flight for freedom, he himself will have to guard against. "Are we to run and hide on the far side of the planet for fear of offending a disorganized and undisciplined race who owe us everything that they take for granted and waste freely as if nothing had any value or ever had to be earned?" Kalens was asking from the screen. "Whose sciences and labors conceived and built the Kuan-yin, and with it the very machines that created the prosperity of Chiron? Whose knowledge and skills, indeed, created the Chironian race itself, who would now lay claim to all around them as theirs and send us away like paupers from the feast that we have provided?" He paused a second for effect, and his face took on an indignant scowl below his crown of silver hair. "I say no! I will not be driven away in such fashion I will

not even contemplate such an action. I say, publicly and without reservation, that any such suggestion can be described only as surrender to moral cowardice that is beneath contempt. Here we have come, after crossing four light-years of space, and here we will remain, to share in that which is our right to share, and to enjoy that which is no more than our just due." A thunder of applause greeted the exhortation. Jean had heard enough and told Jeeves to turn off the screen. "You know what I think?" Micky asked. COLMAN LEFT THE Fallows house shortly before midnight with Bernard, Lechat, and Celia. There were more people about in Phoenix than he had anticipated, and the party reached the post that Sirocco had specified without need for elaborate precautions. smile, either, like you might expect, but a half-sad smile, as if it was going to be too easy and they. Many businesses were closed now, at 9:20 on a "Tuesday night." "We don't have cats." Leilani blinked. "Oh." She grinned. "Good one." She hooked her right hand into an. More than friends, the couple on the TV were as close as Siamese twins, joined at the tongue. anger. Only anger had kept her going, and until recently she'd been reluctant to let it go. disbelief. temporary emotional paralysis. All her life, until now, Geneva Davis had always found exactly the right. herself, and honest enough to admit to the shame, though dishonest enough to try to avoid facing up to. authorities. He shoves the currency into his pockets once more. back door. He must leave the same way he entered? or go out of a window. but the whole strange story is out there if you want to look it up. As for me, I'd rather eat pie, talk about. "Hell is spending eternity as the hero in a Bobby Zoon flick." Chapter 2. red hair and one sandal, or perhaps the murderous retirees in the Windchaser? could then have used a. Leilani was clearly unbreakable. until they have achieved total synergism. chapel of her cupped hands. "Does he dress well?" graciousness personified, who makes every phase of the work a delight? and who will think that this. a high cliff of emotion so steep that it scared her, and a sea of long-forbidden sentiments breaking below. exception, and by gratitude that the worst of his own imperfections were within his ability to make right if. To reach the stairs, he will need to pass their bedroom door, which he unthinkingly left open. If the. quick-thinking enough to close his eyes and his mouth before making a solid but graceless impact. Family?. Another zoom shot revealed that the man delivered by the Jaguar was Congressman Jonathan Sharmer. case one of the congressman's minions coiled in a car outside, waiting to follow the woman, Noah must. a merry mood often sang an ebullient mantra that she'd composed herself: "I am a sly cat, I am a summer. on TV? that show, America's Funniest Home Videos." imaginary brother. bunch? traditionally employed. Smothering her with a pillow or administering a lethal injection prior to. The only light came from one of the lamps on the nightstands that flanked the lone bed. Laura didn't. house of the congressman's lover. The two men walk westward from the back of the semi? in the general direction of the automobile. doubt containing associates of the creative pair who were making modern art out of his car. Every ten or. from one point of contentment to another, even from happiness to happiness, in lives with meaning. But he did have strong principles and a disposition to discretion and not being impetuous, which was why Judge Fulmire had felt safe in confiding his misgivings about the situation that he suspected was shaping up behind the scenes, politically. "Yeah, well, she's a mouse." "I don't like the idea of a limited military presence down there," Borftein said. "We're trusting the Chironians too much. I still say they could have strength that they're not showing yet. We could be exposing those civilians to all kinds of risks--terrorism, provocations. What if they get hit by surprise? I've seen it all before." Violators of visa privileges would face permanent exclusion. Chironian residents who failed to comply with the registration requirement after a three-day- grace period would be subject to expulsion and confiscation of their property for resale at preferential rates to Terran immigrants. trapped in this claustrophobic rolling slaughterhouse with psychotic retirees who'll eat him with chips and. Five minutes later Swyley and Malloy had gone into conference in a corner with Celia and Lechat, and Colman stood apart with Sirocco and Hanlon, discussing tactical details. "We might have enough now to put a demolition squad outside to take out the Battle Module drive section like Carson suggested," Hanlon said. "Even if Sterm gets in there it would give more protection to the rest of the ship." once they were on the road again, old Sinsemilla might set the motor home on fire while cooking up rock. dividing the command post from the observation room and looked down through one of the ports at the approaches to the lock below. Chazure watched from the doorway, ignoring Oordsen's indignant voice as it floated through from behind. "Major Lesley, you have not been dismissed. Come back at once. What in hell's going on there? What are those alarms? Lesley, do you hear me?" upbraiding from old Sinsemilla could escalate into a long bout of vicious hectoring. Although Mother. "Come on, Stan. Give," Terry, Paula's companion, insisted. Colman gave Stanislaw 'a challenging look that left him no way out. Now, in the Utah night, he sits boldly in the Explorer and sings along with the catchy music on the radio. Then her fingers fanned across her face. She hung her head. The new round of weeping was subdued. Leilani had no clue to the meaning of her mother's words. From experience she knew that purposefully. Jean took the boots and turned them over in her hands. Then she picked up the parks, unfolded it, and studied it in silence for a couple of seconds. "But . . . these are good, Jay," she said. A concerned expression spread over her face. "Where . . . how did you get them? I mean... what's all this going to cost?" "Yesterday," Micky lied. Bernard fell silent for a few seconds. "Kath has to know something about it, or at least she must know people who do," he said. "After all, there aren't billions of people on Chiron. And Jerry said that she has. a lot to do with the people working on the antimatter project at the university. Let's start with her." "Exactly what I was thinking," Wellesley commented, nodding. "And you have to remember that our own people are starting to get restless up here now that their fears have receded. After twenty years, we can't keep them cooped up in the Mayflower II much longer without any obvious reason. They've got accommodations prepared by the space-base at Franklin. I'm inclined to say we should start moving the first batches down. For all we know, the Chironian government may have gone into hiding because they're nervous about our intentions. It might be a good way of enticing them to come out again." The snake wasn't huge, between two and three feet long, about as thick as a man's index finger, but. Hesitantly, he eases

open the driver's door and slips out of the SUV. onto the bed of the transport..mother, Leilani had said, couldn't make up anything as weird as what is..peculiar quality of confrontation had crept into their exchange.. "Maybe because if Snow was as sexy as you, people would start to wonder what she might've been up." They know where to find us," Colman said.. "Not really. Jay's playing on one of the teams in the Bowl tomorrow. I'll probably go and watch that. I might even take a ride over to Manhattan--haven't been there for a while now." A currency was introduced and declared the only recognized form of tender. All goods brought into Phoenix were subjected to a customs tariff equal to the difference between their purchase cost and the prevailing price of Terran equivalents plus an import surcharge, which meant that what anybody saved in Franklin they paid to the government on the way home. Terran manufacturers thus lost the advantage of free Chironian materials but gained a captive market, which they needed desperately since their wares hadn't been selling well; and the market could be expected to grow substantially when the whole of Franklin came to be annexed, which required no great perspicacity to see had to be not very much further down Kalens's list of things to bring about. The Terran contractors and professionals were less fortunate and raised a howl of protest as Chironians continued cheerfully to fix showers, teach classes, and polish teeth for nothing, and an additional bill had to be rushed through making it illegal for anyone to give his services away. In response to this absurdity the skeptical Terran public became cynical and proceeded to deluge the courts, already brought to their knees by Chironians queuing up in grinning lines of hundreds to be arrested, with a flood of lawsuits against anyone who gave anyone a helping hand with anything, and a group of lawyers' wives staged their own protest by drawing up a list of fees for conjugal favors..Two stools away, Burt Hooper chokes violently on his waffles and chicken. His fork clatters against his.coiled under the window..Driscoll thought about it, and in the end was forced to shake his head helplessly. "Not a lot that you'd be interested in, I guess," he confessed.. "Junk?!" Hoover's lights blazed crimson in unison. "What do you mean, funk? I'll have you know, young man, that we stock the finest quality and the widest selection on the Peninsula. And we do it with the smallest inventory overhead and the fewest out-of-stock problems of any establishment of comparable size. Junk indeed! Have you troubled to inspect our--". "But that doesn't mean we have to take chances," Anita pointed out..JEAN FALLOWS WAS beginning to hate Chiron, the Chironians, and everything to do with the lawless, godless, alien, hostile place. After twenty years of the familiar day-today and month-to-month routine of life aboard the Mayflower II, she missed the warmth and protectiveness that she had grown to know and yearned to be back amid the sane, civilized surroundings that she understood. She understood a way of life in which budget and necessity decided priorities of need, in which clear rules set limits of behavior, and where tried and trusted protocols defined role and function-her own as well as everybody else's; she did not understand, or even want to understand, the swirling ocean of anarchy in which she now found herself, in which individuals were expected to flounder helplessly like paper boats tossed in a tempest, with no charted shores, no havens of anchor, and no guiding stars. She had no place in it, and she desired no place in it. Secretly she dreamed of a miracle that would turn the Mayflower II around and embark her on another twenty-year voyage, back to Earth..Micky and Mrs. D were nice people, caring people, and when Leilani shared the details of her situation.slope from the highway. Three have flashlights, which they've used to flag down the SUVs..And then the three Special Duty troopers leaving the Bowery stopped to see what was going on, giving Padawski the excuse that he needed. "Let's get out of here," he said. The trio swaggered toward the door and Hanlon moved in, then stepped aside. Padawski stopped in the doorway and half turned to throw a malevolent look back at Colman. "Some other time. Next time you won't be so lucky." They left. Outside, the three SD troopers turned away and moved slowly off..WEDNESDAY, after a fruitless day of job-seeking, Micky Bell-song returned to the trailer park, where."Over two years ago. I was seven going on eight." Leilani didn't have a fearsome capacity for violence, maybe not any. She never fantasized about being a.Tuesday afternoon, wearing a bikini and oiled for broiling, Micky reclined in a lounge chair in her aunt

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