Turning the Corner

As I have stated in several previous editorials, the continuing decline in aerospace funding has led to a corresponding decline in the number of submittals to the *Journal of Propulsion and Power*. Although this has led to a shrinkage in the time to publication, it has also led to a decrease in the number of papers in the backlog to an extent with which I have not felt comfortable.

Some proactive steps have been taken to reverse this trend. For instance, I have contacted the authors of the manuscripts chosen as "Best Papers" at the recent Joint Propulsion Conference regarding submittal for possible publication; this has led to the submittal of several manuscripts that probably would not have been considered for publication. Two Associate Editors have cooperated by organizing special issues that will appear in 1998. Ashwani Gupta has solicited a group of papers on terrestrial energy that will showcase several advances being made in that diverse field: I feel that the Terrestrial Energy TC has been organizing increasingly stronger sessions over the past few years, with Ashwani as its Chairman during the past year. I know that the readers of JPP will be impressed with the many ways in which aerospace technologies that originally were developed for one application are being applied to the generation of energy for our everyday use. The other special issue results from a symposium, organized by Vigor Yang, on "Propulsion for Engines from Launch to Space" applications. This issue will cover propulsion concepts ranging from liquid engines, several types of electric propulsion, and combined airbreathing/rocket cycles to advanced propulsion concepts now being developed. Papers from seven countries are included, with several having joint international authorship. I know that readers of JPP will view this as a valuable compendium of the state of the art in all aspects of space-related propulsion, and I wish to acknowledge the enormous time and effort put in by Vigor and others at Penn State, especially Mary Newby.

In addition to the increase in submittals resulting from the steps mentioned above, authors of propulsion-related manuscripts have demonstrated their confidence in JPP by increasing the number of nonsolicited submittals to the extent that the total number of submittals thus far in 1997 is higher than for any previous year. As in the past, I wish to thank those who have participated in the publication process. At the same time, I wish to point out that the manuscript review process depends upon the full cooperation of all individuals who participate in it; this includes the Associate Editors who contact the reviewers, the reviewers who provide thoughtful, timely reviews, and the authors who revise their manuscripts in accordance with the suggestions made by the reviewers and the Associate Editors. Unfortunately, the increasing load placed on those in the aerospace industry by the funding limitations mentioned above has led to an increasing incidence of problems with the review process; reviewers are finding it harder to find the time to provide insightful reviews, and authors are unable (or unwilling) to comply with the recommendations made in the review process, and so manuscripts are withdrawn; this results in a waste of the time invested by all involved. The professionals in the aerospace community are reminded that the ethical standards that appear in this issue cover their individual roles in the review process.

An essential part of the review process is that of the Associate Editor; I have been fortunate to have worked with an outstanding group of individuals during my term as Editor-in-Chief. Three such individuals are retiring, and I wish to acknowledge their outstanding contributions. Larry Kennedy has served for six years, during which time he moved to the University of Illinois at Chicago and became Dean of Engineering, while continuing to process a large number of manuscripts in the combustion area. In a comparable move, Dan Fant assumed the position as Manager of the Gas Turbine program at the South Carolina Energy R&D Center while processing numerous papers on the complex topic of the applications of CFD to turbomachinery. Bill Copenhaver was even busier in processing manuscripts dealing with experimental aspects of gas turbine engines. I wish to thank all three of them for their valuable efforts.

The masthead of *JPP* continues to include Mike Micci, who has expressed a willingness to continue as an AE in a diverse range of propulsion-related disciplines, all of which he handles with vast expertise and good humor. At the same time, Mike is spending a year at Edwards AFB performing research on the behavior of liquid propellants under a broad range of conditions. Thanks for your willingness to continue to serve, Mike. Another name that has been added since January is that of Alec Gallimore, from the University of Michigan, who has been added to handle the increasing load in the field of electric propulsion. Alec is an active member of the Electric Propulsion TC; he has demonstrated expertise in plasma physics, has published in *JPP*, and is already picking up the slack effectively.

Three other names are being added to the masthead. Tom Avedisian, from Cornell University, is widely recognized and has received numerous awards for his research in combustion and fluid mechanics. Dan Dorney, from the GMI Engineering and Management Institute, already has numerous publications in the application of CFD to turbomachinery; I have known Dan since his days at UTRC and look forward to working with him. Jan Lepicovsky, who is with the NASA LeRC group of NYMA, is an acknowledged expert in experimental techniques as applied to turbomachinery and has extensive contacts with the European research community, where he received his original training. I welcome these three outstanding individuals and thank them for agreeing to serve. Their biographies and photographs are listed in the following pages, together with those for the remainder of the *JPP* AEs; please make yourselves known to them at forthcoming conferences.

In addition to the remaining Associate Editors who continue to serve, I wish to acknowledge the ongoing contributions of Adrian Chindgren, who continues to be an increasingly effective Managing Editor, and Norma Brennan, who really keeps everything on an even keel, as she has done since the days when AIAA was in New York.

Finally, I wish to acknowledge those who served as reviewers, without whom the review process cannot function. Their names are listed in this issue, but this is not really sufficient to express my appreciation for their expertise and the time they took in preparing their reviews.

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Editorial Policy Statement on Numerical Accuracy and Experimental Uncertainty

The purpose of this statement is to reiterate the desire to have high-quality investigations with properly documented results published in the AIAA journals, and to clarify acceptable standards for presentation of numerical and experimental results. Recently there has been considerable concern with the quality of published numerical solutions. Also the practice of including error bars on experimental results is often lacking. In response to these problems, a succinct policy statement on these items is as follows:

The AIAA journals will not accept for publication any paper reporting (1) numerical solutions of an engineering problem that fails adequately to address accuracy of the computed results or (2) experimental results unless the accuracy of the data is adequately presented.

The implementation of this policy will be at the discretion of the Editors and Associate Editors of the journals.

The accuracy of the computed results is concerned with how well the specified governing equations in the paper have been solved numerically. The appropriateness of the governing equations for modeling the physical phenomena and comparison with experimental data is not part of this evaluation. Accuracy of the numerical results can be judged from grid refinement studies, variation of numerical parameters that influence the results, comparison with exact solutions, and any other technique the author selects. The validity of the accuracy estimation will be judged by the reviewers of the paper. An estimate of accuracy of the numerical results must be presented when comparisons with other numerical and experimental results are given, and when new results of the author will likely become

data for future comparisons. Since accuracy of various computed results obtained from a numerical solution can vary significantly, the accuracy of the result being used must be stated. Accuracy of results from a validated code must still be established to show that proper input parameters have been used with the code.

Estimates of experimental uncertainty are required for all plotted or tabulated data obtained by authors. If data from other workers are used, they require no uncertainty. Unless otherwise stated and properly referenced, it is assumed that the uncertainty of authors' output data is estimated by the small-sample method 1 with assumed odds 20:1. All reported data must show uncertainty estimates if used in text or tables; for example, $T=642\pm8$ K. All figures reporting new data should contain uncertainty estimates either on the figure with error bars in both coordinate directions or in the caption; for example, uncertainty in $T=\pm8$ K at 20:1 odds. Investigations with limited data should present tabulated results in the paper while extensive data should be available elsewhere in tabulated form for use by other workers.

Finally, the accepted documentation procedures for a technical investigation must be used. For computational papers, the author must provide an adequate description of the numerical solution procedure, if not documented elsewhere. In addition, the complete governing equations must be specified with sufficient detail along with the input parameters to the code so that a reader could reproduce the results of the paper. For papers concerned with experimental test, thorough documentation of the experimental conditions, instrumentation, and data reduction techniques is required.

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Ethical Standards for Publication of Aeronautics and Astronautics Research

Preface

The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) serves the engineering and scientific aerospace communities and society at large in several ways, including the publication of journals that present the results of scientific and engineering research. The Editorin-Chief of a journal of the AIAA has the responsibility to maintain the AIAA ethical standards for reviewing and accepting papers submitted to that journal. In the main, these ethical standards derive from the AIAA definition of the scope of the journal and from the community perception of standards of quality for scientific and engineering work and its presentation. The following ethical standards reflect the conviction that the observance of high ethical standards is so vital to the whole engineering and scientific enterprise that a definition of those standards should be brought to the attention of all concerned.

Ethical Standards

A. Obligations of Editors-in-Chief and Associate Editors*

- 1. The Editor-in-Chief has complete responsibility and authority to accept a submitted paper for publication or to reject it. The Editor-in-Chief may delegate this responsibility to Associate Editors, who may confer with reviewers for an evaluation to use in making this decision.
- 2. The Editor will give unbiased and impartial consideration to all manuscripts offered for publication, judging each on its scientific and engineering merits without regard to race, gender, religious belief, ethnic origin, citizenship, or political philosophy of the author(s).
 - 3. The Editor should process manuscripts promptly.
- 4. The Editor and the editorial staff will not disclose any information about a manuscript under consideration or its disposition to anyone other than those from whom professional advice is sought. The names of reviewers will not be released without the reviewers' permission.
 - 5. The Editor will respect the intellectual independence of authors.
- 6. Editorial responsibility and authority for any manuscript authored by an Editor-in-Chief and submitted to the journal must be delegated to some other qualified person, such as an Associate Editor of that journal. When it is an Associate Editor participating in the debate, the Editor-in-Chief should either assume the responsibility or delegate it to another Associate Editor. Editors should avoid situations of real or perceived conflicts of interest. If an Editor chooses to participate in an ongoing scientific debate within the journal, the Editor should arrange for some other qualified person to take editorial responsibility.
- 7. Unpublished information, arguments, or interpretations disclosed in a submitted manuscript must not be used in the research of an Editor-in-Chief, Associate Editor, or reviewer except with the consent of the author.
- 8. If an Editor is presented with convincing evidence that the main substance or conclusions of a paper published in the journal are erroneous, the Editor must facilitate publication of an appropriate paper or technical comment pointing out the error and, if possible, correcting it.

B. Obligations of Authors

- 1. An author's central obligation is to present a concise, accurate account of the research performed as well as an objective discussion of its significance.
- 2. A paper should contain sufficient detail and reference to public sources of information such that the author's peers could repeat the work.
- 3. An author should cite those publications that have been influential in determining the nature of the reported work and that will guide the reader quickly to the earlier work that is essential for understanding the present investigation. Information obtained privately, as in conversation, correspondence, or discussion with third parties, should not be used or reported in the author's work without explicit permission from the investigator with whom the information originated. Information obtained in the course of confidential services, such as refereeing manuscripts or grant applications, should be treated similarly.
- 4. Fragmentation of research papers should be avoided. A scientist who has done extensive work on a system or group of related systems should organize publication so that each paper gives a complete account of a particular aspect of the general study.
- *Throughout this document, the term "Editor," when used alone, applies to *both* Editor-in-Chief and Associate Editor. When one or the other bears the specific responsibility, the full title is used.

- 5. It is inappropriate for an author to submit manuscripts describing essentially the same research to more than one journal of primary publication.
- 6. An accurate, nontrivial criticism of the content of a published paper is justified; however, in no case is personal criticism considered to be appropriate.
- 7. To protect the integrity of authorship, only persons who have significantly contributed to the research and paper preparation should be listed as authors. The corresponding author attests to the fact that any others named as authors have seen the final version of the paper and have agreed to its submission for publication. Deceased persons who meet the criterion for co-authorship should be included, with a footnote reporting date of death. No fictitious name should be listed as an author or co-author. The author who submits a manuscript for publication accepts the responsibility of having included as co-authors all persons appropriate and none inappropriate.
- 8. It is inappropriate to submit manuscripts with an obvious marketing orientation.

C. Obligations of Reviewers of Manuscripts

- 1. Inasmuch as the reviewing of manuscripts is an essential step in the publication process, every publishing engineer and scientist has an obligation to do a fair share of reviewing. On the average, an author should expect to review twice as many papers as an author writes.
- 2. A chosen reviewer who feels inadequately qualified or lacks the time to judge the research reported in a manuscript should return it *promptly* to the Editor.
- 3. A reviewer of a manuscript should judge the quality of the manuscript objectively and respect the intellectual independence of the authors. In no case is personal criticism appropriate.
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- 5. A reviewer should not evaluate a manuscript authored or coauthored by a person with whom the reviewer has a personal or professional connection if the relationship would bias judgment of the manuscript.
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- 1. A scientist or engineer publishing in the popular literature has the same basic obligation to be accurate in reporting observations and to be unbiased in interpreting them as when publishing in a technical journal.
- 2. A scientist or engineer should strive to keep public writing, remarks, and interviews as accurate as possible.
- 3. A scientist or engineer should not proclaim a discovery to the public unless the support for it is of strength sufficient to warrant publication in the technical literature. An account of the work and results that support a public pronouncement should be submitted as quickly as possible for publication in a technical journal.

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AIAA Manuscript Review Process

This description of AIAA manuscript review procedures is given so that authors, reviewers, and readers will better understand the paper selection and publication process. The first step in manuscript evaluation is an examination by the Editor-in-Chief of papers submitted to the journal. The Editor-in-Chief first tests the manuscript for the several criteria of subject scope, archival editorial style, apparent technical validity, topical importance, timeliness, relationship to prior publication, conciseness, appropriate references, and length. Precise requirements are given on the inside back cover of each journal issue.

Formal Review

If it passes these first tests, the paper is sent to that journal's Associate Editor with the most direct knowledge of the subject matter and of expert reviewers in the field. The Associate Editor then evaluates the paper according to the same criteria and, in most cases, has the paper sent to two or more reviewers in the field for confidential review. The review report form, reproduced here, is designed both to encourage the reviewer's objectivity and to ensure the thoroughness of his or her evaluation.

Considerable significance is attached to the review reports. Each reviewer is asked to judge the technical validity of the manuscript and the extent of its advance beyond work previously published. The reviewer is asked also for advice as to whether the paper merits publication in an archive journal. However, the decision to publish, to require major revision before publication, or to reject for reasons cited lies first with the Associate Editor and ultimately with the Editor-in-Chief.

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The next step is up to the author. If the paper has been rejected or if extensive revisions have been requested which

the author believes are incorrect or unwarranted, he or she is entitled to submit a point-by-point rebuttal to the Editor's statement of reasons and the reviewers' comments. The rebuttal then is analyzed by the Editors, and a final decision is made, although there may be a need for an additional review cycle. Authors who revise their papers must make an effort to do so within the stated time period.

A reviewer who feels strongly that a particular paper should not be published may choose to write his or her criticism as a Technical Comment. The author then will be allowed to write a closing response for publication in the same issue as the Comment.

Formal acceptance will not occur until the author has complied with all of the revision requests (if any) made by the Associate Editor and has prepared the paper in AIAA archival style. (Or the Associate Editor may accept the author's rebuttal, as described above.)

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