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With conventional guided weapons, the inertial control system is tailored to suit the flight profile accuracy and environment, but for guided ballistic rounds, such as artillery shells, there is an additional need for the gyro system to survive a very severe launch shock.

START has been subjected to cannon launch shock tests of up to 25000g on a 155mm artillery shell trials range to prove its ability to withstand this environment. Firing trials of a 3-axis START rate measurement system from a 155mm gun have also demonstrated an operational flight capability.

Control and Detection Circuit

3-Axis Rate Sensor Unit

Input measurement range Output voltage Excitation Power consumption Size Weight

±200°/sec roll, pitch and yaw ±10V DC FS each axis ±15V DC 3 Watts (constant) 83 dia x 90mm 1.03kg



Roll Control Unit

Input measurement range Output voltage Excitation Power consumption Size Weight

±200°/sec ±10V DC FS ±15V DC 1 Watt (constant) 95 x 59 x 61mm 500gms

Throughout the development of this solid state gyro the emphasis has been on simplicity, in order to achieve a low unit price, with a manufacturing design that is ideally suited to inexpensive mass production techniques. Alone, or in a 3-axis configuration, START competes successfully against more conventional technologies. Typical applications are:-

- Precision guided munitions
- Vehicle active suspension
- Terminally guided sub-munitions
- Light anti-armour weapons
- Hypervelocity missiles

In addition to its robustness and low cost, START offers other significant advantages:-

- Small size
- Light weight

Yaw Rate Sensor Unit

Input measurement range Output voltage

Excitation

Power consumption Size Weight

±200°/sec ±10V DC FS (Single sided output optional) ±15V DC (Single sided input optional) 1 Watt (constant) 80 x 58 x 60mm 350gms



3-Axis Rate Measurement Unit

Input measurement range

Output voltage Excitation Power consumption Size Weight

Pitch and yaw ±150°/sec Roll ±300°/sec ±5V DC FS each axis ±15V DC 3 Watts (constant) 121 x 77 x 58mm 675gms



Instantaneous start Constant low power • Very long life







Typical Performance

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Rate Sensitive Element

Notes:

- 1. Actual size shown
- Dimensions in mm.
 Clamp ring and
 - mounting flange optional.





Control and Detection Circuit

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Actual size shown
 Dimensions in mm.



Principle of Operation

Environmental

Outline Dimensions







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