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00:00:07,829 --> 00:00:06,070  
the robot laboratory was established at

2  
00:00:10,549 --> 00:00:07,839  
goddard to prepare for the flight tele

3  
00:00:11,990 --> 00:00:10,559  
robotics servicer fts operations on the

4  
00:00:14,310 --> 00:00:12,000  
space station

5  
00:00:16,150 --> 00:00:14,320  
it contained several elements graphic

6  
00:00:18,630 --> 00:00:16,160  
simulations for defining engineering

7  
00:00:21,109 --> 00:00:18,640  
criteria definition of operational

8  
00:00:23,269 --> 00:00:21,119  
scenarios which show how the fts will

9  
00:00:25,589 --> 00:00:23,279  
operate on space station task

10  
00:00:28,070 --> 00:00:25,599  
decomposition which breaks the robot

11  
00:00:30,390 --> 00:00:28,080  
operations down to primitive tasks to

12  
00:00:32,470 --> 00:00:30,400  
see how they perform on space station

13  
00:00:35,270 --> 00:00:32,480

operator interfaces and workstation

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00:00:44,950 --> 00:00:35,280

designs software development and

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00:00:49,350 --> 00:00:47,110

here you see a picture of the fts in the

16

00:00:51,110 --> 00:00:49,360

shuttle bay preparing to assemble an

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00:00:52,229 --> 00:00:51,120

attached payload station interface

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00:00:54,549 --> 00:00:52,239

adapter

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00:00:56,709 --> 00:00:54,559

this equipment will interface attached

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00:00:59,270 --> 00:00:56,719

payloads to the space station

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00:01:01,349 --> 00:00:59,280

the remote manipulator system or rms in

22

00:01:04,149 --> 00:01:01,359

the space shuttle bay is preparing to

23

00:01:06,390 --> 00:01:04,159

lift the station interface adapter sia

24

00:01:13,990 --> 00:01:06,400

out of the cargo bay in close proximity

25

00:01:19,030 --> 00:01:16,870

the fts is erected next to the sia and

26  
00:01:32,469 --> 00:01:19,040  
deploys one of the legs from its stowed

27  
00:01:36,710 --> 00:01:34,630  
after the leg is deployed the others are

28  
00:01:39,190 --> 00:01:36,720  
subsequently deployed and the sia is

29  
00:01:40,870 --> 00:01:39,200  
brought up to the structural trust nodes

30  
00:01:42,789 --> 00:01:40,880  
by the fts

31  
00:01:45,670 --> 00:01:42,799  
this allows the interface adapter to be

32  
00:01:48,310 --> 00:01:45,680  
secured in a soft dock position

33  
00:01:50,710 --> 00:01:48,320  
following this the fts through a tool

34  
00:01:52,870 --> 00:01:50,720  
attached to its end defector brings the

35  
00:02:06,709 --> 00:01:52,880  
joint in close proximity and fastens it

36  
00:02:11,990 --> 00:02:09,190  
the rms now goes back to the cargo bay

37  
00:02:14,869 --> 00:02:12,000  
and lifts a deck carrier with an oru or

38  
00:02:17,350 --> 00:02:14,879

orbital replacement unit out of the bay

39

00:02:19,030 --> 00:02:17,360

bringing it in close proximity to the

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00:02:23,830 --> 00:02:19,040

sie

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00:02:26,869 --> 00:02:23,840

the deck carrier and brings the two

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00:02:28,630 --> 00:02:26,879

together to hard dock or secure the two

43

00:02:31,110 --> 00:02:28,640

elements a crank is turned which

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00:02:37,509 --> 00:02:31,120

actuates the lead screw mechanism

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00:02:42,710 --> 00:02:40,390

this is a description of a hierarchical

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00:02:43,509 --> 00:02:42,720

ada language robot programming system

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00:02:44,550 --> 00:02:43,519

are

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00:02:48,949 --> 00:02:44,560

harps

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00:02:52,390 --> 00:02:48,959

using the nazrim architecture which

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00:02:54,390 --> 00:02:52,400

stands for nasa reference model

51  
00:02:55,990 --> 00:02:54,400  
this is the architecture established by

52  
00:02:58,550 --> 00:02:56,000  
the national institute of science and

53  
00:03:00,229 --> 00:02:58,560  
technology and it is hierarchical in its

54  
00:03:02,869 --> 00:03:00,239  
form

55  
00:03:05,110 --> 00:03:02,879  
on the left is sensor processing

56  
00:03:06,710 --> 00:03:05,120  
in the middle world models of the fts

57  
00:03:07,990 --> 00:03:06,720  
and its environment

58  
00:03:10,630 --> 00:03:08,000  
and on the right

59  
00:03:12,550 --> 00:03:10,640  
task decomposition

60  
00:03:14,630 --> 00:03:12,560  
at the very lowest levels it has been

61  
00:03:17,350 --> 00:03:14,640  
implemented to operate with joysticks on

62  
00:03:22,470 --> 00:03:17,360  
a simulated robot to show how the robot

63  
00:03:26,309 --> 00:03:24,149

here's a picture of the operator working

64

00:03:28,470 --> 00:03:26,319

with joysticks to bring the simulated

65

00:03:30,869 --> 00:03:28,480

end effector of the robot in proximity

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00:03:40,390 --> 00:03:30,879

to a handle on the orbital replacement

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00:03:44,710 --> 00:03:42,149

you'll notice it turns yellow when

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00:03:46,949 --> 00:03:44,720

approaching the handle and red when it

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00:03:48,789 --> 00:03:46,959

actually contacts it

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00:03:57,350 --> 00:03:48,799

this permits the operator to learn the

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00:04:01,750 --> 00:03:59,429

the fts operational simulator has

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00:04:03,990 --> 00:04:01,760

performed various tasks as you have seen

73

00:04:05,350 --> 00:04:04,000

in the software simulation the leg

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00:04:07,509 --> 00:04:05,360

deployment

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00:04:09,990 --> 00:04:07,519

the docking to the truss the duct

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00:04:11,589 --> 00:04:10,000

carrier movement to the side the hard

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00:04:15,110 --> 00:04:11,599

docking and in addition the thermal

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00:04:17,189 --> 00:04:15,120

coupler and enter oru exchange

79

00:04:19,110 --> 00:04:17,199

these tasks were built with full-scale

80

00:04:21,830 --> 00:04:19,120

models of space station hardware and

81

00:04:32,150 --> 00:04:21,840

utilized floor-mounted puma or research

82

00:04:36,790 --> 00:04:34,390

here's the operator workstation with the

83

00:04:38,230 --> 00:04:36,800

operator using joysticks to control the

84

00:04:40,870 --> 00:04:38,240

robot arms

85

00:04:43,270 --> 00:04:40,880

here the gantry robot which emulates the

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00:04:45,749 --> 00:04:43,280

rms brings the station interface adapter

87

00:04:48,230 --> 00:04:45,759

sia to the side of the truss

88

00:04:50,150 --> 00:04:48,240

the puma robot is positioning itself to

89

00:04:51,670 --> 00:04:50,160

the handle on the leg through a machine

90

00:04:56,230 --> 00:04:51,680

vision system

91

00:04:58,469 --> 00:04:56,240

through a camera and computer will

92

00:05:07,670 --> 00:04:58,479

recognize four dots on the white

93

00:05:12,790 --> 00:05:10,070

aligning the tool and end effector to

94

00:05:14,950 --> 00:05:12,800

the target the end effector is inserted

95

00:05:16,870 --> 00:05:14,960

into the hole or in the end effector

96

00:05:28,230 --> 00:05:16,880

jaws are closed to fasten it to the

97

00:05:32,150 --> 00:05:30,469

once engaged the robots through the

98

00:05:34,469 --> 00:05:32,160

operator in the computer will bring the

99

00:05:37,029 --> 00:05:34,479

leg to the deployed position

100

00:06:05,189 --> 00:05:37,039

once deployed a latching system keeps

101  
00:06:09,670 --> 00:06:07,830  
at this point the robot disengages from

102  
00:06:10,870 --> 00:06:09,680  
the leg and is placed in a stowed

103  
00:06:13,029 --> 00:06:10,880  
condition

104  
00:06:15,670 --> 00:06:13,039  
the gantry now lowers the station

105  
00:06:18,550 --> 00:06:15,680  
interface adapter onto the truss face

106  
00:06:20,390 --> 00:06:18,560  
where it is soft docked which means that

107  
00:06:22,230 --> 00:06:20,400  
a latching system will keep it in

108  
00:06:24,870 --> 00:06:22,240  
position so that when the gantry is

109  
00:06:27,189 --> 00:06:24,880  
removed there will be no motion of the

110  
00:06:29,749 --> 00:06:27,199  
station interface adapter

111  
00:06:33,189 --> 00:06:29,759  
in the space world when the rms leaves

112  
00:06:35,590 --> 00:06:33,199  
the sia doesn't disengage from the truss

113  
00:06:38,390 --> 00:06:35,600

and now the robot comes down

114

00:06:41,189 --> 00:06:38,400

and fastens a nut connecting a screw

115

00:06:41,990 --> 00:06:41,199

into the node of the space station truss

116

00:06:51,270 --> 00:06:42,000

by

117

00:06:55,749 --> 00:06:53,670

now the gantry picks up the deck carrier

118

00:06:58,309 --> 00:06:55,759

and the attached payload and moves it to

119

00:07:00,309 --> 00:06:58,319

the truss via interface

120

00:07:03,749 --> 00:07:00,319

this is all pre-programmed into the

121

00:07:05,510 --> 00:07:03,759

gantry controller in real life the rms

122

00:07:06,950 --> 00:07:05,520

will be operated from the aft flight

123

00:07:08,870 --> 00:07:06,960

deck of the shuttle

124

00:07:11,510 --> 00:07:08,880

in future months in the laboratory a

125

00:07:13,430 --> 00:07:11,520

mock-up of the aft flight deck will

126  
00:07:33,830 --> 00:07:13,440  
permit a crewman to operate the gantry

127  
00:07:38,309 --> 00:07:35,830  
now the deck carrier is brought down

128  
00:07:39,990 --> 00:07:38,319  
onto the sia through a series of pins

129  
00:07:42,390 --> 00:07:40,000  
and cones underneath

130  
00:07:43,189 --> 00:07:42,400  
it aligns itself and drops on the soft

131  
00:07:45,510 --> 00:07:43,199  
dock

132  
00:07:47,909 --> 00:07:45,520  
lead screw held in the center

133  
00:07:50,070 --> 00:07:47,919  
this has a motorized nut which if the

134  
00:07:52,469 --> 00:07:50,080  
proper power were available would draw

135  
00:07:54,629 --> 00:07:52,479  
the deck carrier to the sia

136  
00:07:57,110 --> 00:07:54,639  
the robot in the event of power outage

137  
00:07:58,550 --> 00:07:57,120  
or no power availability can manually

138  
00:08:00,710 --> 00:07:58,560

crank the screw

139

00:08:02,629 --> 00:08:00,720

as shown here to bring the deck carrier

140

00:08:16,309 --> 00:08:02,639

and the sie in the assembled

141

00:08:20,950 --> 00:08:18,469

the robot now moves over to a thermal

142

00:08:22,950 --> 00:08:20,960

coupler this is an extension device

143

00:08:24,710 --> 00:08:22,960

which would permit fluids which are

144

00:08:27,110 --> 00:08:24,720

needed by the attached payload to be

145

00:08:28,390 --> 00:08:27,120

joined to the main utility lines on the

146

00:08:30,390 --> 00:08:28,400

space station

147

00:08:32,149 --> 00:08:30,400

the handle which you will notice is a

148

00:08:34,310 --> 00:08:32,159

common handle we use to interface the

149

00:08:35,589 --> 00:08:34,320

robotic end effector to the task it will

150

00:08:37,670 --> 00:08:35,599

be doing

151

00:08:39,110 --> 00:08:37,680

it lifts one half of the coupler which

152

00:08:41,990 --> 00:08:39,120

would have a hose connection to the

153

00:08:44,149 --> 00:08:42,000

payload down to the leg of the sia which

154

00:08:58,870 --> 00:08:44,159

simulates the position of the thermal

155

00:09:02,630 --> 00:09:01,110

a soft dock connection is then made

156

00:09:05,110 --> 00:09:02,640

which would permit the coupler to be

157

00:09:06,829 --> 00:09:05,120

held together while the end effector is

158

00:09:09,269 --> 00:09:06,839

released to do other

159

00:09:11,750 --> 00:09:09,279

operations this is the first step

160

00:09:13,990 --> 00:09:11,760

required to make the connection you'll

161

00:09:24,310 --> 00:09:14,000

see that the robot arm is twisting the

162

00:09:28,310 --> 00:09:25,910

indications on the screen for the

163

00:09:30,550 --> 00:09:28,320

operator on his left shown as yellow

164

00:09:32,230 --> 00:09:30,560

bars indicate the positions of the

165

00:09:33,829 --> 00:09:32,240

joints of the robot

166

00:09:36,070 --> 00:09:33,839

in the center of the bar shot the

167

00:09:38,870 --> 00:09:36,080

vertical bars indicate the forces on the

168

00:09:40,550 --> 00:09:38,880

coupler when they are reduced to zero it

169

00:09:42,470 --> 00:09:40,560

means that there is no stress on the

170

00:09:44,630 --> 00:09:42,480

coupler and it will stay in position

171

00:09:53,750 --> 00:09:44,640

when released you'll notice the same

172

00:09:59,190 --> 00:09:56,310

the jaws close in the reset position and

173

00:10:01,829 --> 00:09:59,200

now the robot moves over to a collar

174

00:10:03,829 --> 00:10:01,839

containing a screw which when actuated

175

00:10:06,150 --> 00:10:03,839

as shown brings the two couplers

176

00:10:16,389 --> 00:10:06,160

together to finally fasten the two

177

00:10:21,670 --> 00:10:19,190

in this configuration shown the robot is

178

00:10:25,190 --> 00:10:21,680

opening a door to a simulated attached

179

00:10:27,190 --> 00:10:25,200

payload the door is opened by the robot

180

00:10:29,670 --> 00:10:27,200

this is to simulate the exchange of an

181

00:10:31,990 --> 00:10:29,680

inter-orbital replacement unit of a

182

00:10:34,949 --> 00:10:32,000

failed component or film package

183

00:10:37,030 --> 00:10:34,959

exchange for an instrument for instance

184

00:10:39,910 --> 00:10:37,040

the robot goes through its motions

185

00:10:50,550 --> 00:10:39,920

autonomously that is the computer has

186

00:10:55,590 --> 00:10:53,110

now the robot reaches into the inner box

187

00:11:06,470 --> 00:10:55,600

attaches itself to the oru

188

00:11:12,230 --> 00:11:09,670

it then places the oru on a stand which

189

00:11:15,430 --> 00:11:12,240

has been designed to accept a receptacle

190

00:11:48,150 --> 00:11:15,440

on the bottom for power conditioning and

191

00:11:53,430 --> 00:11:50,389

the next series of tests were performed

192

00:11:55,590 --> 00:11:53,440

on the engineering test bed

193

00:11:58,629 --> 00:11:55,600

this test bed contains a pair of seven

194

00:11:59,910 --> 00:11:58,639

degree of freedom robot arms and hand

195

00:12:02,629 --> 00:11:59,920

controllers

196

00:12:04,710 --> 00:12:02,639

it is used to develop control algorithms

197

00:12:07,590 --> 00:12:04,720

or mathematical laws to determine the

198

00:12:09,990 --> 00:12:07,600

robot operation a safety system to

199

00:12:12,230 --> 00:12:10,000

protect the robot from collisions in

200

00:12:14,710 --> 00:12:12,240

defectors for gripping objects in the

201  
00:12:17,110 --> 00:12:14,720  
space environment and dynamic models in

202  
00:12:20,069 --> 00:12:17,120  
order to replicate zero gravity motions

203  
00:12:21,110 --> 00:12:20,079  
and determine instabilities

204  
00:12:23,350 --> 00:12:21,120  
here

205  
00:12:25,509 --> 00:12:23,360  
the operator is controlling the large

206  
00:12:28,230 --> 00:12:25,519  
seven degree of freedom robot

207  
00:12:30,069 --> 00:12:28,240  
by seven degrees of freedom it contains

208  
00:12:33,030 --> 00:12:30,079  
unlike the puma robots you've seen

209  
00:12:35,269 --> 00:12:33,040  
before an additional joint which permits

210  
00:12:37,829 --> 00:12:35,279  
it to reach around objects much as the

211  
00:12:40,470 --> 00:12:37,839  
elbow of a human arm

212  
00:12:42,310 --> 00:12:40,480  
it is shown in the upright position

213  
00:12:44,870 --> 00:12:42,320

the operator has a mini master hand

214

00:12:45,910 --> 00:12:44,880

controller which is a replication of his

215

00:12:48,389 --> 00:12:45,920

arm

216

00:12:52,150 --> 00:12:48,399

every motion he makes is followed by the

217

00:12:54,389 --> 00:12:52,160

robot in a master slave operation

218

00:12:57,030 --> 00:12:54,399

now the operator is bringing the end

219

00:12:59,509 --> 00:12:57,040

effector which has roller grippers for

220

00:13:01,190 --> 00:12:59,519

secure mating to the side of a handle on

221

00:13:03,590 --> 00:13:01,200

the white column

222

00:13:05,990 --> 00:13:03,600

you will notice he uses his fingers to

223

00:13:08,470 --> 00:13:06,000

index the arm

224

00:13:11,190 --> 00:13:08,480

indexing means small motions in the arm

225

00:13:13,509 --> 00:13:11,200

left and right will permit large motions

226

00:13:15,990 --> 00:13:13,519

in the robot arm such that the operator

227

00:13:18,829 --> 00:13:16,000

does not have to make inordinate motions

228

00:13:20,550 --> 00:13:18,839

to move the slave robot through large

229

00:13:22,710 --> 00:13:20,560

trajectories

230

00:13:24,870 --> 00:13:22,720

now the operator is lining the end

231

00:13:26,870 --> 00:13:24,880

effector up to the handle

232

00:13:29,190 --> 00:13:26,880

in future days we will have what is

233

00:13:30,870 --> 00:13:29,200

called force reflection in the handle

234

00:13:32,949 --> 00:13:30,880

such that when the operator makes

235

00:13:34,389 --> 00:13:32,959

contact with the handle and closes the

236

00:13:36,470 --> 00:13:34,399

jaws of the gripper

237

00:13:39,189 --> 00:13:36,480

forces of connections will be felt by

238

00:13:41,829 --> 00:13:39,199

the operator so that he gets a feel for

239

00:14:00,310 --> 00:13:41,839

the operation and permits more dextrous

240

00:14:04,389 --> 00:14:02,230

the next sequence shows the dexterity of

241

00:14:06,389 --> 00:14:04,399

the robot with its large number of

242

00:14:09,509 --> 00:14:06,399

degrees of freedom it can move through a

243

00:14:11,509 --> 00:14:09,519

very wide sphere of motion here it is

244

00:14:13,269 --> 00:14:11,519

shown reaching up in back of a camera

245

00:14:16,069 --> 00:14:13,279

which is mounted on the top

246

00:14:18,389 --> 00:14:16,079

if indeed the camera were out of focus

247

00:14:19,670 --> 00:14:18,399

or needed repositioning the robot could

248

00:14:22,470 --> 00:14:19,680

essentially

249

00:14:24,949 --> 00:14:22,480

change the camera position if needed

250

00:14:26,150 --> 00:14:24,959

essentially it can do maintenance on

251  
00:14:27,990 --> 00:14:26,160  
itself

252  
00:14:47,750 --> 00:14:28,000  
you will notice the very dexterous

253  
00:14:52,069 --> 00:14:49,829  
the lab expansion program has been

254  
00:14:54,150 --> 00:14:52,079  
designed as a new construction of

255  
00:14:56,790 --> 00:14:54,160  
facilities initiative in order to

256  
00:14:58,870 --> 00:14:56,800  
provide more space for users research

257  
00:15:00,150 --> 00:14:58,880  
activities and flight hardware

258  
00:15:03,030 --> 00:15:00,160  
integration

259  
00:15:05,189 --> 00:15:03,040  
it contains fifteen thousand square feet

260  
00:15:07,430 --> 00:15:05,199  
and would cost approximately three and a

261  
00:15:09,829 --> 00:15:07,440  
half million dollars to build

262  
00:15:11,910 --> 00:15:09,839  
we're hoping to get it ready in mid 1990

263  
00:15:13,829 --> 00:15:11,920

however the current plan is to have it

264

00:15:22,550 --> 00:15:13,839

in a state of readiness by the end of

265

00:15:27,590 --> 00:15:25,030

here is an artist concept of the lab on

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00:15:30,470 --> 00:15:27,600

the right the laboratories that exist

267

00:15:32,710 --> 00:15:30,480

today with the gantry robot the control

268

00:15:35,350 --> 00:15:32,720

workstation and the mezzanine for

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00:15:37,269 --> 00:15:35,360

software development on the left we have

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00:15:39,509 --> 00:15:37,279

the expanded building which will house

271

00:15:41,910 --> 00:15:39,519

two laboratory modules

272

00:15:44,069 --> 00:15:41,920

the modules emulate the lab modules on

273

00:15:46,389 --> 00:15:44,079

the space station from which astronauts

274

00:15:48,150 --> 00:15:46,399

can operate in a simulated environment

275

00:15:50,150 --> 00:15:48,160

housed at the other end of the building

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00:15:52,150 --> 00:15:50,160

the new extension will have many robots

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00:15:54,790 --> 00:15:52,160

for doing research work advanced

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