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**Shock & vibration testing:**  
*Focus on* state-of-the-art test techniques, test equipment, and technical information about dynamics testing, through technical articles, columns, commentaries, and/or features that discuss various aspects of this complex area of testing. Plus, the issue will include TEST's annual ever-reader-pleasing *Shock & Vibration Product Round-Up* feature.  
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*Focus on* the rarely discussed subject of test integrity—an aspect of testing that is nonetheless the underpinning of *all* data used to validate designs and prove product reliability—explored through articles, columns, and commentaries that draw upon the experience and wisdom of seasoned practitioners of the art and science of testing.  
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**Increasing vibration test levels:**  
*Focus on* methods and techniques to provide better vibration data in a shorter amount of time, in response to the needs of ever-shorter time-to-market design phases. We'll discuss how much vibration levels can realistically be increased without loss of data validity—what's acceptable *and* effective—through technical articles, columns, commentaries, and/or features, from savvy practitioners of vibration testing.  
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**Using mistakes to improve testing:**  
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