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Multi-Mission Strategic Technology Prioritization Study

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Study Objectives

- Perform a pilot study of sufficient breadth which demonstrates in an auditable fashion how advanced space technology development can best impact future NASA missions
 - Include wide spectrum of missions & technologies
 - Can add new missions & technologies easily
 - Optimize technology portfolios
 - Lead to rapidly prototyped example
- Show an approach to deal effectively with inter-program analysis trades
- Explore the limits of these approaches and tools in terms of what can be realistically achieved (scope, detail, schedule, etc.)

Technology Portfolio Optimization Approach

- Collect performance data for many individual technologies; each data input is viewed as a statistical sample representing an expert assessment
- Group the technological data into a tree-like hierarchical model to predict "integrated" system, mission, and multi-mission impact of individual technologies
- Search computationally for technology portfolios with optimal science return, risk and cost impact
- Investigate sensitivity of the optimal portfolio to changes in available budget levels

Major Study Challenges

- <u>Reference Missions</u>: assess mission value; characterize capability requirements
- <u>Technology Projections</u>: characterize performance; manage widely dispersed and non-uniform data
- <u>Uncertainty</u>: incorporate & manage widespread uncertainty
- <u>ROI Measures</u>: formulate suitable value function for portfolio analysis
- <u>Layers of Abstraction</u>: choose and maintain appropriate level of analytical abstraction
- <u>Technological Boundaries</u>: boundaries of technology domains not clearly marked
- <u>Many Scales</u>: large differences in cost and performance scales for different technologies
- <u>Performance Parameters</u>: not fully understood for some technologies

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Implementation Approach

- Iterative in three phases (keep eye on big picture early, and continuously)
 - Phase 1 minimalist multi-mission set; ECT/ECS technologies
 - Phase 2 more extensive set of missions & technologies (June 04)
 - Phase 3 completion of full study (December 04)

• Maintain high degree of connectivity

- Space Architect
- Revolutionary Mission Concepts
- Advanced Space Technology Programs
- Enterprises
- Centers
- Etc.



Reference Missions & Major Challenges

(Minimalist Mission Set for PHASE I)

Reference Mission Classes (not listed in order of priority)	Major Challenges
<u>Earth's Moon:</u> Orbital Aggregation and Space Infrastructure Systems (OASIS); Lunar Remote Survey; Lunar Surface Missions; etc.	Deep Space Robotic Rendezvous & Docking; Long Term Cryogenic Fuel Storage in Space (>2 years); Long Life Ion Engines(>15 K-hours)
Mars Surface: (e.g. Mars Science Laboratory; Astrobiology Field Lab; Mars Sample Return; etc.)	Long-Range, Long-Life Mobility (10's of kilometers, >600 sols); Substantive Sample Collection and Return (>1kg, 0 <depth<100m subsurface)<="" td=""></depth<100m>
Earth Observation: Biomass	Lidar/Radar Instrument Systems; Multi-Spectral Scanner; Sensor Webs & Data Fusion
Outer Solar System: Titan Surface; Europa Lander	Extreme Environments; Sub-Surface Ice Mobility
Inner Solar System: Venus surface; comet sample return	Extreme Environments (460C temp; 90 bar pressure; sulfuric acid clouds at 50 km)

> Technologies to be evaluated will include:

- Technological products in several discipline fields (aimed at operational flight system implementation (e.g. advanced materials, structures, etc.)
- Risk assessment tools and infrastructure to allow for risk quantification, and risk mitigation during an entire mission life-cycle, but that do not necessarily appear in the flight system implementation (e.g. risk management methods)

Enabling Technologies for Which Data Has Been Collected to Date

- Extreme Temp & Pressure Components, Thermal Control, Pressure-Vessel-Encapsulated Electronics (Venus)
- Electric & Chemical Propulsion; Reaction Control; Multifunction Structures; Fuel Storage & Control; Syntactic Foams, Formation Flying (OASIS)
- Entry Descent & Landing; Surface, Aerial, Subsurface Mobility; Manipulation, Drilling, Sampling (Mars, Titan, Comet, Lunar Surface)
- In-Space Inspection, Maintenance, Assembly (OASIS, Large Observatory Platform, Gateway, Space Solar Power)
- Risk Methods, Tools and Workstation; Mishap Anomaly Data Base; Complex Systems Research; Risk Characterization & Visualization; etc. (All Reference Missions)

Enabling Technology Areas

(for which data has been collected to date)

Enabling Technology Areas	Missions		
Electric & Chemical Propulsion; Reaction Control; Multifunction Structures; Fuel Storage & Control; Syntactic Foams, Formation Flying; In-Space Robotic Inspection, Maintenance, Assembly	OASIS		
Entry Descent & Landing; Surface, Aerial, Subsurface Mobility; Manipulation, Drilling, Sampling	Mars, Earth's Moon, Titan, Comet		
Risk Methods, Tools & Workstation; Mishap Anomaly Data Base; Complex Systems Research; Risk Characterization & Visualization; etc.	All		
Extreme Temp & Pressure Components, Thermal Control, Pressure- Vessel-Encapsulated Electronics	Venus, Titan, Europa		

Technology Areas are Decomposed into Many Sub-Areas & Performance Parameters

A Few Typical Technology Areas	A Few Typical Technology Sub-Areas	A Few Typical Performance Parameters		
Multi-Function Structures	Modular, Distributed Structures, Deployable Structures, etc.	Contract/Extend (cm), Power per Mass (W/kg), etc.		
Fuel Storage & Control	On Orbit Cryrogenic Fuel Transfer, Tank Pressure Control, Fuel Storage, etc.	Flow Rate (kg/min), Pressure (kPa), Time (yrs), etc.		
Subsurface Ice Mobility	Range, Radiation Dose, Payload Capacity, Ambient Pressure, etc.	Distance (km, mRads), Mass (kg), Pressure (atm), etc.		
Extreme Temperature & Pressure Components	High Temperature Electronics, Permanent Magnets, Energy Storage, etc.	Temperature (Celsius), Pressure (Bars), Energy Density (Whr/l) etc.		
Risk Methods, Tools & Workstation	Model Based Risk Analysis, Mission Risk Profiling Capability, etc.	Accessibility, applicability to multiple mission phases, risk mitigation coverage		

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Mission & Technology Data Base

-- Current Size Summary --

- Size of Mission & Technology Capability Data Base (as of April 15, 2004)
 - 13 missions covering wide spectrum of NASA strategic plans
 - 23 technology areas (structures, energetics, extreme environments, surface mobility, etc.)
 - 86 technology sub-areas (batteries, payload capacity, thermal control, etc.)
 - 167 technological performance parameters (power density, operating temperature, etc.)

Remarks About Data Base

- Current data set is more detailed in some areas than in others
- More technologies & detail will be collected in subsequent phases
- Our analysis methods can handle data sets with non-uniform detail

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Risk Related Requirements

(from Point of View of a Project Manager)

• Risk Management Must:

- Delineate major risks: Technical, Human, Organizational, Budgetary, and Schedules ;estimate and rank risk levels
- Provide ways to visualize risk elements, time profile, and mitigation strategies
- Assure that the systems and trade analysis includes cost, performance, and risk
- Provide auditable benefit/cost of implementing begin-to-end risk mitigation strategies





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	Best Case	10	Easy to use DB spans multiple mission/projects with risk events categorized for search.
Accessibility of		5	DB may be limited to specific category or series of missions.
risk data	Worst Case	• o	Supporting data/verifications are anecdotal (narrative) format without categories of risk events for easy search. May require further processing to another format.
Potential to	Best Case	10	Technology helps to identify and reduce risks during early phases of project (Phase A/B) with potential to dramatically reduce overall project costs by reducing rework.
reduce design		5	Technology helps identify/reduce mission risks for Phase C/D; Large potential cost benefits if used. Provides a screen that limits potential risks from passing CDR.
risks	Worst Case	• o	Technology helps identify technology development or subsystem risks, but may or may not influence overall system risk.
	Best	10	
Risk model	Case		Technology provides new approach for addressing design risk life-cycle or part of life-cycle not previously addressed (e.g., mgmt, org. risks)
enhancement		5	Technology either provides new, more effective approach for risk analysis or fills missing gap in temporal or breadth of risk analyses (but not both)
	Worst Case	0	Technology does not address missing gap in design life-cycle.
End-to-and rick	Best Case	10	Technology provides synergistic integration with other tools and databases fully compatible with emerging design environments (temporal and breadth).
integration		5	Risk technology allows interaction with common databases but cannot be integrated with other stand-alone applications.
····· 9. «	Worst Case	V 0	Technology is stand-alone; focused, narrow; little breadth or temporal range, databases are separated with little or no connectivity. Integration difficult.

All SRRM Technology Areas Are Included for the Pilot Study

- 1. Risk Methods/Tools (RMT)
- 2. Risk Workstation (RWS)
- 3. Mishap/Anomaly Database (MAIS)
- 4. Model-Based Hazard Analysis (MBHA)
- 5. System Complex Research (SCR)
- 6. Risk Characterization/Visualization (RCV)
- 7. Risk-Based Design (RBDO)
- 8. Data Mining Research (DMR)
- 9. Investigation Methods/Tools (IMT)

Typical SRRM Technology Area Data*

Technology	Level	Metric	Unit	Polarity	SOA	Low	ML	High	\$M
		How performance is measured	What unit performance is measured in	+ = Better if performance is higher - = Better if performance is lower	Current state-of-the- art for similar technologies	Technologist's estimate of low, most likely, and high values of what will be provided to the s mission		timate y, and at will the	How much the technologist needs to achieve TRL 6 in \$M
ECS	1								
SRRM	2								
RISK Methods & Tools	4	Accessibility of Historical Risk Event Data	0-10	+	4	7	8	9	2
		Potential to Understand and Reduce Design Risks and Optimize Resources to Retire Risk	0-10	+	1	7	8	9	
		Risk Model Enhancement (Potential for Better Model Credibility)	0-10	+	2	9	10	10	
		End-to-end Risk Integration for Breadth of Domain	0-10	+	2	8	9	10	
		Extent of Needs Covered	0-1	+	0.5	0.7	0.8	0. 9	

*SRRM data cast in same format used for all other technologies (shown in slide 14)



Analysis Options Used to Get Typical Results in Slides 25-30

Analysis Options Used	Other Options Available
Uniform science-return value for all missions	Can assign non-uniform science return value (user prescribed)
Uniform value for all technologies at the same hierarchical level; "democratic" hierarchy	Can prescribe general technology organizations; based for example on mission and system decomposition
Technology correlations and co- dependencies set to zero	Can explicitly include correlation & co- dependency parameters when available
Risk estimates based only on performance uncertainty	Can include cost, schedule and other risk factors
Identical development time (~10 yrs) for all technologies	Can vary technology development time as a model parameter
TRL data not included in technology projections	Can analyze TRL data within existing analysis framework

















Concluding Remarks

• Study Results to Date (January-March, 2004)

- Initial data base for 13 missions and 167 technology performance parameters in 23 technical areas, representing Code T,S,M,Y enterprises
- Rapidly prototyped analysis capability to evaluate impact of technological investment on science and exploration return

• Work Remaining (April-December, 2004)

- Expand data base to include more enabling missions and technologies (e.g. modular distributed structures, etc.)
- Conduct more in-depth analysis of the representation and fidelity of the existing data set, and a more detailed treatment of the consistency and integration across program elements
- Calibrate data base and analysis with extensive WHAT-IF computational