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Exposure		
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Past (Cycle 22 Max)	Present (Cycle 23 Max)	Future (Cycle 24 Max)
Sources	Sources	Sources
 > Geomagnetically trapped p' > GCR primaries > SPE p' > Secondaries including 'n₀, of minor importance 	 Geomagnetically trapped p[*] Geomagnetically trapped e[*] GCR secondaries SPE p[*] Secondaries, especially ¹n₀, of significant importance 	 ➢ Geomagnetically trapped p[*] ➢ GCR secondaries ➢ SPE p[*]
Effects	• Effects	• Effects
 Acute radiation effects from high exposure during a solar particle event Increased risk of cancer 	 > Overall radiation risk greater than previously thought - BER v Increased risk of cancer > High LET radiation unique effects > Importance of genomic instability > CNS effects (?) 	 Fully quantify all medical risks (cancer, CNS effects, etc.) Biomedical methods to arrest/ repair radiation damage In-flight treatment methods (simple, low side-effects, etc)
Exposures	Exposures	•Exposures
 Average per crewman 1.6 mSv Cumulative exposure 0.15 man-Sv/y 	 Average per crewman 10.9 mSv Cumulative exposure 0.43 man-Sv/y 	 > Average per crewman 41.5 mSv > Cumulative exposure ≥ 1 man-Sv/y

and	and Radiation Environment Enhance-	
ments from Space Weather Activity		
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Past (Cycle 22 Max)	Present (Cycle 23 Max)	Future (Cycle 24 Max)
Solar particle events	Solar particle events	Solar particle events
Only a concern for the less frequent high-inclination Shuttle	➢ Concern for most missions	Concern for most NASA low- Earth orbit missions
missions		Concern for any mission outside the magnetosphere
Geomagnetic storms in conjunction with solar particle events	Geomagnetic storms in conjunction with solar particle events	Geomagnetic storms in conjunction with solar particle events
 Reduced geomagnetic cutoffs Concern for the less frequent mid- and high-inclination Shuttle missions 	 Reduced geomagnetic cutoffs Concern for most missions 	Concern for most NASA low- Earth orbit missions
Outer electron belt enhancements following geomagnetic disturbances	Outer electron belt enhancements following geomagnetic disturbances	• Outer electron belt enhancements following geomagnetic disturbances
 Not a concern Not recognized as a concern 	Concern for International Space Station construction and servicing EVAs	 Less of a concern for International Space Station servicing EPAs

Past (Cycle 22 Max)	Present (Cycle 23 Max)	Future (Cycle 24 Max)
Concept	• Concept	• Concept
 Continuous on-console support from launch through landing Routine space weather monitoring is 0% automated, 100% human operator 	 Quiet space weather conditions— limited on-console support (4 hours per day); on-call during all off-console periods Disturbed space weather conditions—on-console support during moderate to severe space weather disturbances Continuous on-console support during EVAs Routine space weather monitoring is 10% automated, 90% human operator 	 Routine space weather monitoring is 60% automated, 40% human operator Human support adapted to mission parameters, position in solar cycle, communication capability with crew, etc. Joint international support team (?)
Requires	• Requires	Requires
 > On-console ~ 870 hours per year > On-call ~ 0 hours per year Cost Savings 	 > On-console ~ 1640 hours per year > On-call ~ 7120 hours per year • Cost Savings 	>?
 > Baseline—requires 4 flight controllers 	 Reduced number of flight controllers \$960,000 per year 	* *



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Environment Center			
Past (Cycle 22 Max)	Present (Cycle 23 Max)	Future (Cycle 24 Max)	
 Telnet via modem SELDADS II "capture" data scrolled to screen FTP via modem Teletype Fax Paper products Satellite broadcast Not used for manned mission support 	 Direct data access via TCP/IP on a high-speed internet connection Web via high-speed internet connection Anonymous FTP 	Direct data access via TCP/IP on a priority high-speed internet connection Wireless data access Two way communications from anywhere ?	

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Past (Cycle 22 Max)	Present (Cycle 23 Max)	Future (Cycle 24 Max)
Solar Particle Event	Solar Particle Event	Solar Particle Event
3-day event probability forecast — subjective	3-day event probability forecast — subjective	Improved 3-day event probability forecast
 Prediction of SPE based on "big- flare" occurrence Some warning of shock formation 	Prediction of SPE based on "big- flare" occurrence and/or CME observation	 Improved prediction of interplanetary shock propagation (e.g., shock arrival)
from radio barsis > Model prediction of on-set time, peak flax, time of peak flax, time of peak flax, time of peak flax, and the peak flax, time of set of the peak flax, time of set of the peak flax, time of set of the peak set	 Some warning of shock formation from radio bursts Model prediction of on-set time, peak flux, time of peak flux Subjective prediction of shock arrival and magnitude Upstream detection of shock arrival from ACE particle and solar wind monitors Detection and tracking of event progression from GOES and ACE particle detectors Indication of very-high energy particles from ground-level events 	 Improved prediction of SPE based following "big-flare" occurrence Detection and tracking of event progression from GOES particle detectors "

and viewed on Space Weather Data Displays		
Past (Cycle 22 Max)	Present (Cycle 23 Max)	Future (Cycle 24 Max)
 SELDADS II via modem Mostly text displays—data "captured" to local hard disk for further use Simple static line plots Single real-time line plots Only 1 plot available at a time Space weather data had to be re- entered or imported into other applications for viewing Solar images viewed offline with FTS viewer application Only 1 image viewable at a time Rely on displays built by others 	 Direct access and viewing of space weather data from custom developed applications SRAG Space Weather Monitor and Alam + SPE-Real-Time SEC_Display Populating databases/data objects with data obtained by anonymous FTP Solar Active Region Display Multiple datasets, historical and real-time data plots via Web Build unique, customized displays and applications 	Improved direct access and viewing of space weather data and images from custom developed applications NOAA IDS Nongates space weather data into other radiation environment displays Extracting data from XML- based Web pages and displaying or using in customized applications Require current space weather web sites to convert HTML-based products to XML Need for a community set of tag attribute standards WAP compatible data sources
• Cost Savings > Baseline—0 programmers	 Cost Savings > Increased number of programmers > -\$360,000 per year 	 High fidelity simulated space weather data NOAA DSS



while Radiation Conditions are Monitored at the Vehicle		
nance miliation engines group Past (Cycle 22 Max)	Present (Cycle 23 Max)	Future (Cycle 24 Max)
• Telemetered—real time ≻ None	Telemetered—real time SISS TEPC -Dose rate, Q _{vig} EV/IV-CPDS -Count rate (proportional to dose rate) R-1-6 (Russian) -Accumulated skin/depth dose	Telemetered—real-time Second generation of ISS monitoring instruments - Common set supporting all member groups? External omni-directional electron flux monitor? EVA crew-worn dosimeter 2
• Telemetered—non-real time > None	Telemetered—non-real time Time-resolved ISS TEPC LET spectra EVIV-CPDS full particle detection information Bonner Ball Neutron Dosimeter count-rate	Crew dosimeter Crew dosimeter Radiation area monitors High-energy neutron spectrometer ?
Non-Telemetered Pocket ion chambers Fixed area monitors (TLDs) Crew exposure monitors (TLDs & CR-39) Point LET spectrum	Non-Telemetered High rate dosimeters Fixed area monitors (TLDs) Crew exposure monitors (TLDs)	• Non-Telemetered

Past (Cycle 22 Max)	Present (Cycle 23 Max)	Future (Cycle 24 Max)
•One simple model > PROTONS	• Seven models > PROTONS > THERMAL PROTONS > COSTELLO > Magnetospheric Specification > Killer electron prediction > Solar Windi on vs. shock model > Wang-Sheely Solar Wind Model	Undetermined CME Initiation CME Propagation CME Propagation New PROTON models Plus current models
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Past (Cycle 22 Max)	Present (Cycle 23 Max)	Future (Cycle 24 Max)
$\geq 4 \text{ cycles} = 0$	$\geq 4 \text{ cycles} = 0$	$\geq 4 \text{ cycles} = 0$
$\geq 3 \text{ cycles} = 0$	\geq 3 cycles = 3	\geq 3 cycles = 0
$\geq 2 \text{ cycles} = 4$	≥ 2 cycles = 1	$\geq 2 \text{ cycles} = 3$
≥ 1 cycle = 2	$\geq 1 \text{ cycle } = 4$	$\geq 1 \text{ cycle } = 0$
< 1 cycle = 7	< 1 cycle = 4	< 1 cycle = 7 (?)
Total = 13	Total = 12	Total = 10
Total Experience: 14.6 cycles	Total Experience: 18.9 cycles	Total Experience: 8.6 cycles
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- The general understanding of space weather phenomena has improved over the past solar cycle
- The character of U.S. manned missions has changed significantly from the last solar maximum
- Our understanding of space weather concerns for manned missions has changed over the past solar cycle
- The medical risks from space radiation exposure, including that from space weather events, is greater than thought a solar cycle ago
- Space weather during this solar cycle has been monitored with the most capable fleet of spacecraft to date, but without new programs the level of monitoring will decrease by the next maximum
- The availability of new data streams and models has out paced the current capability to
 ingest, reduce, and display the information--more work is needed to develop intelligent
 displays to help space weather forecasters and users to not only monitor space weather,
 but accurately predict its behavior in the near future

🦐 Summary (cont)

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- Automation—to the extent possible —of space weather monitoring is critical to meet the expected needs of future manned missions within the constraints of tight budgets
 Automation allows reduced on-console support (e.g., more on-call) with an expected cost savings over 10 vears of \$6 million
- Space weather monitoring and forecasting over the past three solar cycles has resulted in a small group of highly-experienced space weather forecasters—the experience level of the space weather forecasters is expected to dramatically diminish by the next solar maximum
- Obtaining real-time data from future research spacecraft (i.e., "Living With a
 operational space weather will likely require the operational community to provide the
 necessary communication infrastructure. Given the cost of providing continuous
 tracking coverage, this will probably require a multinational effort by space weather
 groups
- Current tracking coverage of the ACE spacecraft for real-time solar wind data involves 7 different groups
- Although science has produced significant improvements in the understanding of space weather phenomena and its effects on technical systems, from the NASA user perspective the biggest impact over the past decade are the technological advance (internet capabilities, more powerful computers) which have improved the access to and real-time analysis of critical space weather data.

