

#### Use of ISS for Validation of Advanced Power Systems for Exploration

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# So what are the power issues in deep space exploration and how can the ISS help





#### Let's travel back and see how popular Sci-Fi looked at deep space exploration





Today we are looking at deep space exploration similar to the mission to Jupiter in the movie 2001 by Spaceship "?"





## Communication and hence control from Earth was done with long time delays





The operation of the spacecraft was routine and mundane for the astronauts – autonomous operation of core systems





#### To accomplish this the ship was totally automated





#### But we want the systems to be helpful and respond to Cntrl-Alt-Delete



#### Problem: Communication / Control delay

#### Solution: Autonomous Control

NASA's ambition for deep space exploration requires the capabilities recognized long ago





Utilizing ISS as an engineering test platform can facilitate the vision for an automated future for selected core systems

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#### **A Little Review of ISS Power**





## **ISS Power System Characteristics**

- Power 75 kW average
- Eight independent power channels -- 9.75 kW
- Solar array power
  - 200+ kW silicon arrays
- NiH battery storage
  - 1900 amp\*hrs
- Distribution
  - 116 170 V primary
  - 120 V secondary



#### ISS is the largest power system that currently flies in space

#### **ISS Power Architecture**



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#### The ISS power system is a power grid

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#### **Autonomous Future**







# ISS relies on continuous real-time support of mission control





#### **Current ISS Power System Control Functionality**







Future space needs to have less dependence on the ground and more on internal intelligence. The ISS can be a pathfinder





#### Future ISS Power with Autonomous Power Manager



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#### So How Do We Proceed?



## Incremental Development & Demonstration Approach



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#### **Development Approach**



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#### Can we Apply Leverage to Achieve our Objectives?



## **Commonality with Future Terrestrial Grids**





**Exploration Power vs Terrestrial Power** 



#### **Exploration Power**

**Terrestrial Power** 

	What We Learn on ISS Can be Applied on Earth	
x	Utilization of diverse power sources (renewables)	x
x	Failure diagnostics and prognostics for power components	x
x	Seamless accommodation of Variable / Peak load demand	x
x	Incorporation of large amounts of distributed energy storage	x
x	Increased power demands	x
X	Automated control for operations management, fault detection and system reconfiguration	x





#### The distributed control of micro-grids proposed for modernization of the US Power Grid has automation issues similar to the ISS



#### **Partnership Approach**



- We need automated systems for long term operation far from earth
- We can use the ISS to incrementally develop and demonstrate capability
- We can leverage other expertise and funding (Smart Grid etc.) to achieve our goals









#### References

• 2001: A Space Odyssey Internet Resource Archive

http://www.palantir.net/2001/gallery/mission.html



#### **Back-up Slides**





**Diagnose the state-of-health of ORUs** 





#### To implement on ISS,

the current C&DH system is unchanged and wireless sensors plus an Intelligent Power Controller is added

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**Exploration** 

## The power system development issues for Exploration are common with that Terrestrial "Smart Grid"