

Standardizing Space Systems O&M Cost Estimating [Cost Estimating Research Overview]

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Agenda

- Project Objectives
- O&M Cost Estimating Context
- Proposed Cost Element Structure
- Issues and Uncertainties
- Summary

Project Objectives

■ Far Term

Develop and implement an integrated cost estimating tool which accommodates cost models for all phases of a Space System's Life Cycle

■ Near Term

Develop and document an O&M Cost Element Structure (CES)

- Create a hierarchal cost structure consistent with a program work breakdown structure
- Create a representation of the CES which relates the structure temporally to a Space System's Life Cycle Phases
- Conduct data analysis of current program O&M cost data to determine the most appropriate Cost Estimating Relationships (CERs)

Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Context

■ Space O&M Definitions

- Operations consists of those actions required to use a system for its intended purpose
- Maintenance consists of corrective or preventative actions taken to ensure equipment or material is in an operational condition

■ Estimate Of Current Space O&M Cost Modeling Situation

- Some aspects of maintenance are addressed in the operations models but not all aspects
- There is a void in maintenance models
- Space Community has a set of uncoordinated O&M cost models
- Space Community lacks a comprehensive CES for O&M

Survey of O&S Cost Models (Active)

Model Name	Cost Methodology			Use In NASA Phase					CES	Strengths	Weaknesses	
	Parametric	Analogy	Build Up	Pre-A	A	B	C/D	E				
Active Models Operations Cost Model (OCM)		X		X	X					X	1. Generation of ROM cost 2. Good off-line documentation 3. Includes a rate curve to account for annual per flight learning 4. Can be calibrated to historical data 5. Launch categories help provide mission context 6. CERs for non-recurring facilities 7. Includes flight rate	1. Not designed for broad dissemination (not "goof-proofed") 2. Single year cost - not Life-Cycle 3. WBS is somewhat confusing blurring direct and indirect costs 4. Large complex EXCEL spreadsheet
Model for Estimating Space Station Operations Cost (MESSOC)	X			X	X	X				X		1. No relational structure to CES
Space Operations Cost Model (SOCM)	X			X	X	X				X	1. CES can be organized into activities 2. Scable model -- ROM to Detailed Cost 3. Strong staffing focus 4. Good to Fair User Manual - no algorithmic docs	1. Not designed for broad dissemination (not "goof-proofed") 2. Single year cost - not Life-Cycle 3. WBS / CES does not handle direct and indirect costs separately 4. WBS structure is different than NASA CEH standard 5. Large complex EXCEL based spreadsheet which seems to be a little buggy. Never got it to start properly 6. Other non-labor costs hard to track
TRANSCOST - Space Transportation Systems Cost Estimation	X			X	X	X				X	1. Uses Man Year as cost in order to get cost data which is valid internationally and without respect to annual changes of inflation or other factors 2. Explicitly handles direct and indirect costs 3. Good documentation 4. Weight and Size parametrics	1. Facilities are accounted for but rolled into other factors - should be more visible 2. Not readily available on line
Space Shuttle Program Retirement	X			X	X	X						
Shuttle Operations Simulation (ShuttOps Sim) ¹	X			X	X	X	X				1. A discrete event simulation of the Space Shuttle ground processing operation 2. Yields flight rate for the fleet and facility utilization	1. Limited scope 2. EXCEL based limited documentation
Launch and Landing Effects Ground Operations Model (LLEGO) ¹			X			X	X	X				1. Limited scope - ground processing only 2. EXCEL based with limited documentation
Generic Environment for Modeling Future Launch Operations (GEM-FLO)			X			X	X	X			1. Flights per year, facility utilization, half-widths, min's and max's	1. Limited scope - ground processing only 2. EXCEL based with limited documentation
E20 Supply Chain Sim ²			X			X	X	X				

Notes:

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2 - No open source data

Survey of O&S Cost Models (Inactive)

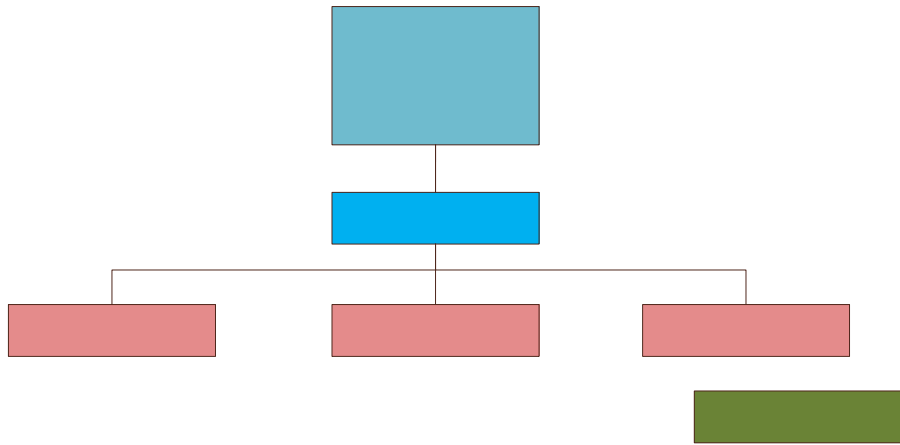
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Inactive Models												
Reliability Maintainability Assessment Tool (RMAT) - matched to Logistics Cost Model (LCM)	X			[X]	[X]						1. Estimates reliability and maintainability requirements 2. R&M generated at subsystem level and can provide input to LCM to determine cost 3. Flight rate specific manpower, fleet size, maintenance burden, and turn-around time	
Architecture Assessment Tool-Enhanced (AATe)	X			[X]	[X]				X		1. Ops cost is an interaction of vehicles with ground infrastructure	
Mission Operations Cost Model (MOCM)	X			[X]	[X]						1. Very very quick top level estimate	1. Black box 2. Lacks documentation 3. Single rolled up value
Activity Generator / Estimator (SAGE)			X			[X]	[X]	[X]			1. For cost need to represent a vehicle by those characteristics that have been recognized by operations experts as having an effect on the ground processes and that are decided at the conceptual and early phases of the detailed level. 2. Integrated Vehicle and Flight Elements	

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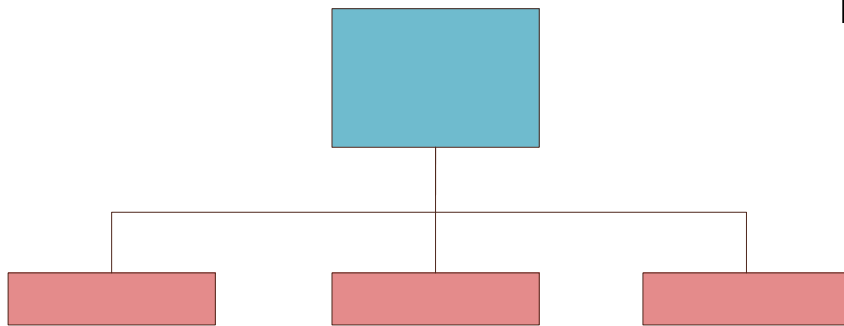
Comparison of O&M Cost Estimating Structure By O&M Model

Space Operational Cost Model (SOCM)¹

Operational Cost Model (OCM)

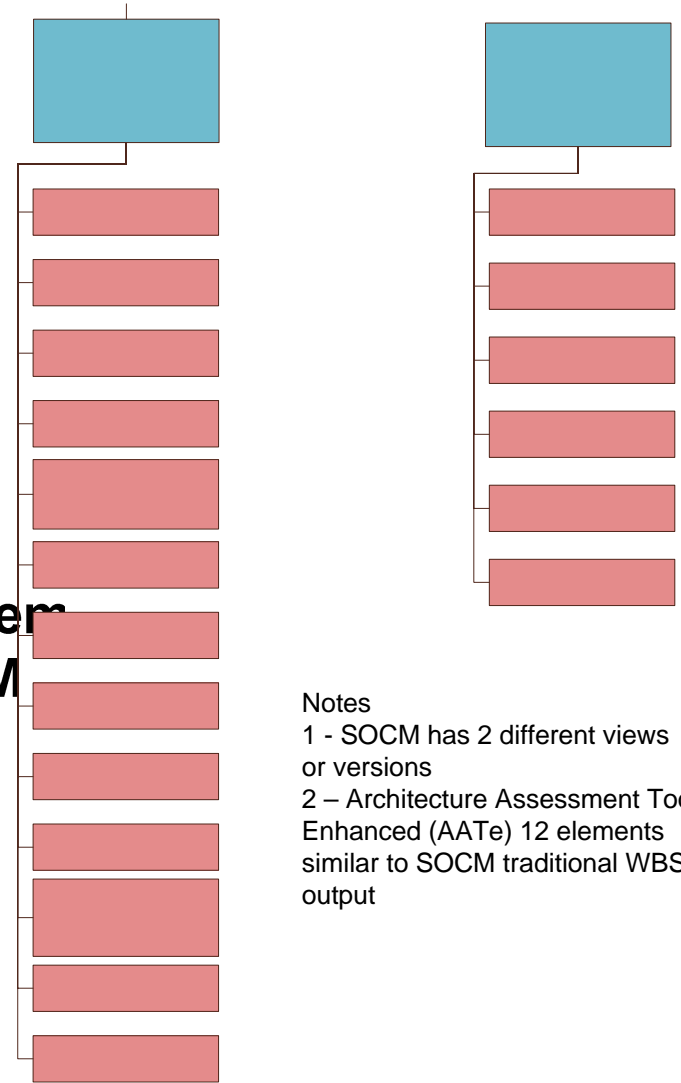


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Space System
Total O&M
Costs

1.0 Program
Segment



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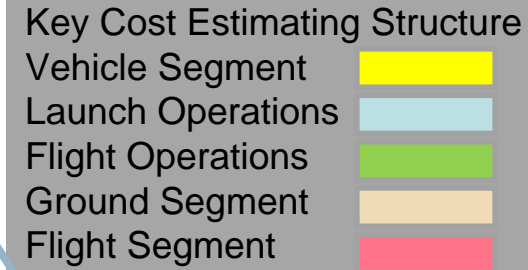
- 1 - SOCM has 2 different views or versions
- 2 - Architecture Assessment Tool Enhanced (AATe) 12 elements similar to SOCM traditional WBS output

Characterization of Space Vehicle O&M

- **Includes Direct System and Non-System Support Elements**
 - System includes booster, core, upper stage, engine, payload
 - Non-system includes launch pad facilities, mission control facilities, test facilities, and so forth
- **O&M Includes Both Fixed (level of effort) and Launch Rate (variable) Costs**
 - Fixed costs include launch pad and mission facility maintenance, base support (security, medical / safety, etc.)
 - Variable includes propellants, hardware refurbishment

	Manned	Unmanned
Reusable	Shuttle	“Venturestar”
Expendable	Saturn / Apollo	EELV

O&M Cost Estimating Context



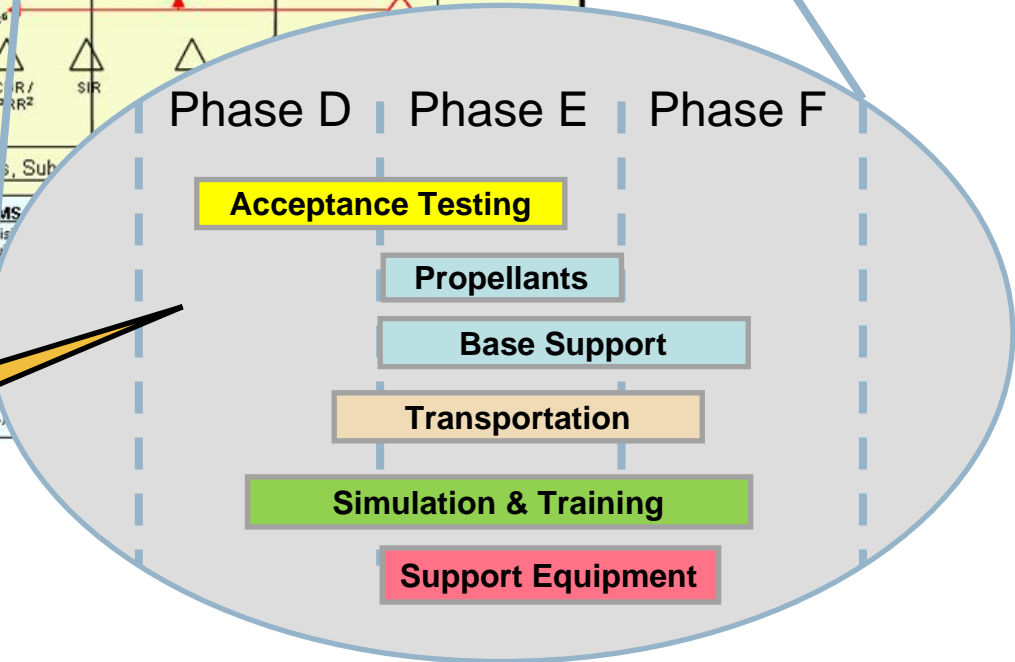
	FORMULATION			IMPLEMENTATION			
	Pre-Systems Acquisition		Approval for Implementation	Systems Acquisition		Operations	Decommissioning
Project Life Cycle Phases	Pre-Phase A: Concept Studies	Phase A: Concept & Technology Development	Phase B: Preliminary Design & Technology Completion	Phase C: Final Design & Fabrication	Phase D: System Assembly, Int & Test, Launch	Phase E: Operations & Sustainment	Phase F: Closeout
Project Life Cycle Gates & Major Events	KDP A FAD Draft Project Requirements	KDP B Preliminary Project Plan	KDP C Baseline Project Plan	KDP D	KDP E Launch	KDP F End of Mission	Final Archival of Data
Agency Reviews	ASP ⁵	ASM ⁶					
Human Space Flight Project Reviews ¹	MCR	SRR SDR (PNAR)	PDR (NAR)	CDR ⁷ PRF ²	SIR, SAR, ORR	FRR PLAR, CERR ³	End of Flight, DR
Re-flights					Inspections and Refurbishment		
Robotic Mission Project Reviews ¹	MCR	SRR MDR* (PNAR)	PDR (NAR)	CDR / FRR ²	SIR		
Launch Readiness Reviews							
Supporting Reviews		Peer Reviews, Subsystem PDRs, Sub					

FOOTNOTES

- Flexibility is allowed in the timing, number, and content of reviews as long as the equivalent information is provided at each KDP and the approach is fully documented in the Project Plan. These reviews are conducted by the project for the independent SRB. See Section 2.5 and Table 2-6.
- PRR needed for multiple (≥4) system copies. Timing is notional.
- CERRs are established at the discretion of Program Offices.
- For robotic missions, the SRR and the MDR may be combined.
- The ASP and ASM are Agency reviews, not life-cycle reviews.
- Includes recertification, as required.
- Project Plans are baselined at KDP C and are reviewed and updated as required, to ensure project content, cost, and budget remain consistent.

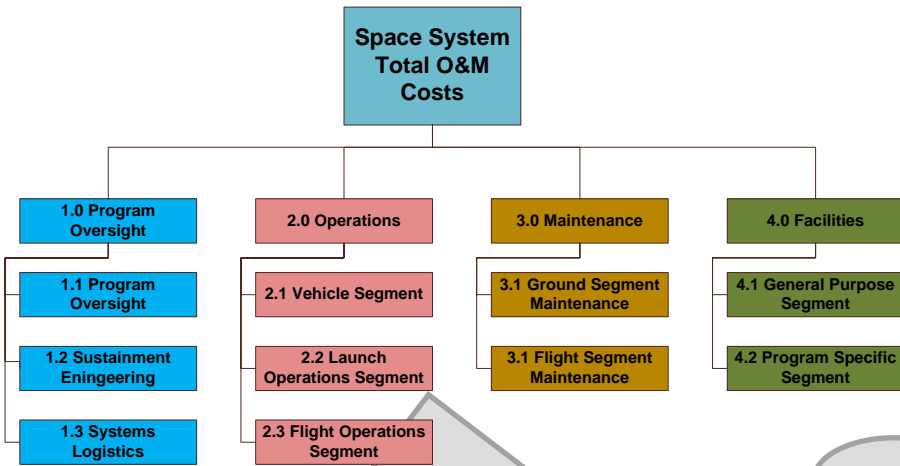
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ASP—Acq
ASM—Ac
CDR—C
CERR—C
DR—Dec
FAD—Fe
FRR—Fl
KDP—Ke
LRP—L



Cost Estimating Structure should support temporal views of cost data

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Space Systems O&M Costing Approach Discussion



Which Cost Estimating Approaches

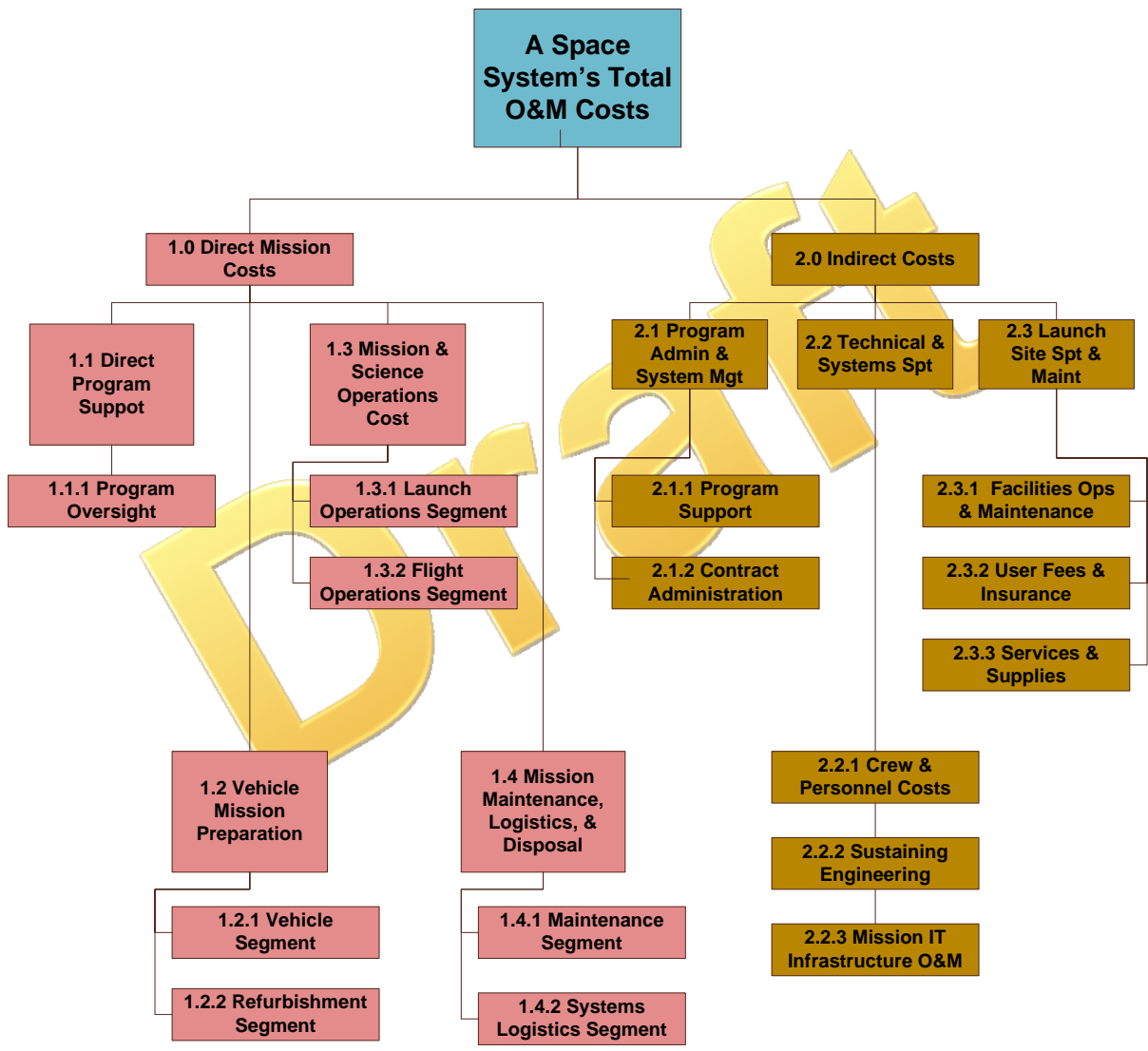
Direct
 Ratios
 Parametric

Headcount (Fixed Cost + Variable Per Flight)
 TFU * Ratios Per WBS Cost Element
 Vehicle Segment – Expendable HW
 Vehicle Type Lookup
 1- Reusable * Total Spares Cost
 Total Spares Cost = $TFU^{(1-\% \text{ reusable})}$

Work From
 End State to
 Cost Model
 CER to
 PRICE
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 Setup and /
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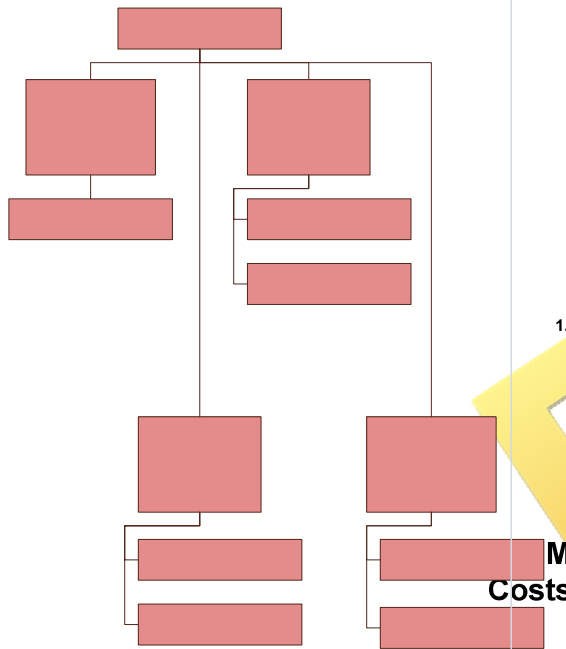
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Proposed Cost Estimating Structures



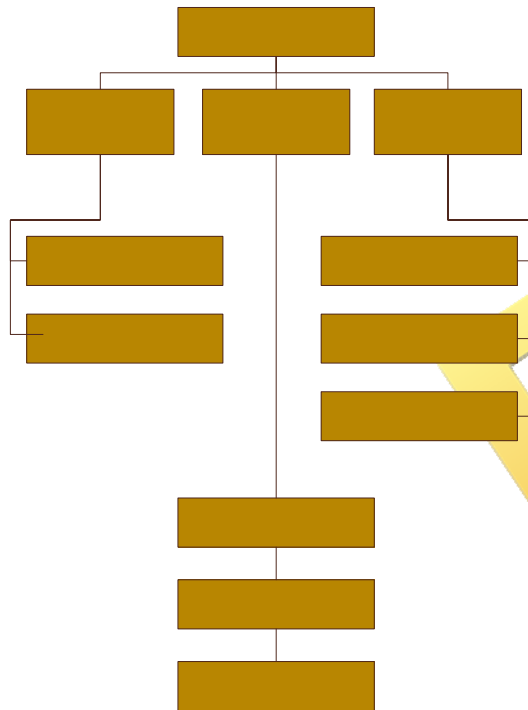
Proposed Cost Estimating Structures Expansion

Direct Mission Costs



A Space Systems Total O&M Cost			
Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Elements
	1.1 Direct Program Management	1.1.1 Program Oversight	1.1.1.1 Program Management 1.1.1.2 Sustaining Systems Engineering 1.1.1.3 Safety Reliability, Maintainability, and Quality Assurance
	1.2 Vehicle Mission Preparation	1.2.1 Vehicle Segment	1.2.1.1 Expendable Hardware Manufacturing 1.2.1.2 Assembly Integration 1.2.1.3 Acceptance Testing 1.2.1.4 Direct Contractor Labor
		1.2.2 Refurbishment Segment	1.2.2.1 Reusable Hardware Refurbishment 1.2.2.2 Vehicle Overhauls 1.2.2.3 Payload Overhauls 1.2.2.4 Launch Facilities Refurbishment 1.2.2.5 Direct Contractor Labor
1.0 Direct Mission Costs	1.3 Mission & Science Operations Cost	1.3.1 Launch Operations Segment	1.3.1.1 Pre-launch Ground Operations 1.3.1.2 Processing Engineering 1.3.1.3 Payload Processing 1.3.1.4 Launch Site Transport 1.3.1.5 Propellants, Gases and Consumables 1.3.1.6 Ground Software O&M 1.3.1.7 Direct Contractor Labor
		1.3.2 Flight Operations Segment	1.3.2.1 Flight and Mission Planning 1.3.2.2 Mission Software O&M 1.3.2.3 Mission Control Operations 1.3.2.4 Mission Simulation & Training 1.3.2.5 Science Data Processing & Analysis 1.3.2.6 Direct Contractor Labor
		1.4.1 Maintenance Segment	1.4.1.1 Mission Control Maintenance 1.4.1.3 Vehicle Maintenance 1.4.1.3 Payload Maintenance 1.4.1.4 Training & Simulation Maintenance 1.4.1.5 Direct Contractor Labor
	1.4 Mission Maintenance, Logistics, & Disposal	1.4.2 Systems Logistics Segment	1.4.2.1 Ground Support Equipment Spares 1.4.2.2 Vehicle Spares 1.4.2.3 Payload Spares 1.4.2.4 Transport and Recovery 1.4.2.5 Storage Operations 1.4.2.6 Direct Contractor Labor 1.4.2.7 Disposal
1.1 Direct Program Support	1.3 Mission & Science Operations Cost		

Proposed Cost Estimating Structures Expansion Indirect Mission Costs



2.1 Program Admin & System Mgt

2.2 Technical & Systems Spt

2.3 Launch Site Spt & Maint

A Space Systems Total O&M Cost			
Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Elements
	2.1 Program Admin and System Management	2.1.1 Program Support	2.1.1.1 Program Administration 2.1.1.2 Safety & Mission Assurance 2.1.1.3 Financial Management 2.1.1.4 Marketing
		2.1.2 Contract Administration	2.1.2.1 Contract Oversight 2.1.2.2 Contract Accounts
	2.2 Technical & Systems Support	2.2.1 Crew and Personnel Costs	2.2.1.1 Training & Education 2.2.1.2 Crew Support
		2.2.2 Sustaining Engineering	2.2.2.1 Engineering Labor
2.0 Indirect Missions Cost		2.2.3 Mission IT Infrastructure O&M	2.2.3.1 Network & Computer Operations 2.2.3.2 Command/Uplink Management 2.2.3.3 Data Capture & Accountability 2.2.3.4 Long Term Data Archive Support 2.2.3.5 IT Security
	2.3 Launch Site Support & Maintenance	2.3.1 Facilities O&M	2.3.1.1 Launch Facilities 2.3.1.2 Mission Control Facilities 2.3.1.3 Vehicle Assembly & Integration Facilities 2.3.1.4 Payload Processing Facilities 2.3.1.5 Testing Facilities 2.3.1.6 Landing & Recovery Facilities 2.3.1.7 Administrative & Engineering Facilities 2.3.1.8 Roads and Grounds 2.3.1.9 Non-Recurring Facilities Cost
2.0 Indirect Costs		2.3.2 User Fees & Insurance	2.3.2.1 Launch Site and Mission Support User Fees 2.3.2.2 Public Damage Insurance 2.3.2.3 Vehicle Loss Charge 2.3.2.4 Mission Abort Charge
		2.3.3 Services & Supplies	2.3.3.1 Base Support 2.3.3.2 Range and Safety Operations

Element Definitions

2.1.1 Program Support	2.1.1.1 Program Administration 2.1.1.2 Safety & Mission Assurance 2.1.1.3 Financial Management 2.1.1.4 Marketing	
2.1.2 Contract Administration	2.1.2.1 Contract Oversight 2.1.2.2 Contract Accounts	
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Issues and Uncertainties

■ Issues

- Project Scope
 - Level of Cost Estimating Relationships to be developed
- Validated data and data availability

■ Uncertainties

- Single standard approach from clean sheet of paper or legacy
- Generic approach which can accommodate all research centers
- Implementation in PRICE H only
- What level of implementation - integration