



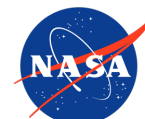
NASA Instrument Cost Model: NICM 10 Preview

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NICM Introduction

- NICM is the **NASA** Instrument Cost Model:
 - Instrument Cost and Schedule (B/C/D) Estimating Tool Suite based off of previously flown space flight instruments across all of NASA.
 - Includes objective-input-based parametric cost and schedule models, cost and schedule analogy tools and JCL capabilities.
 - Models exist at both the total instrument and instrument subsystem levels.
 - Civil Servant copy includes all normalized data as well as a data Search Engine.
- Users:
 - All NASA Centers, Contractors, Universities etc.
 - Proposal Teams as well as by Proposal Evaluators.
 - Over 600 individuals have attended NICM Training sessions.
- For Free Training Contact: NICM@jpl.nasa.gov
- Download the NICM Excel file from:
 - www.oncedata.com (Civil and Contractor version)
 - www.software.nasa.gov (Contractor Version only)

A Brief NICM History

- NICM began collecting data in 2004
 - Foreshadowing: You'll notice our CERs are all in FY04. This is why.
 - NICM has collected and normalized data non-stop 2004-present.
 - Newly collected data feeds the updates to the NICM CERs.
- Trying to cram the highlights of 18 years of NICM history into 9 bullets:
 - NICM I: Released in 2006, with each tool in an individual workbook.
 - NICM II-III: A flood of new data pours in after the NICM I release.
 - NICM IV: In-situ instruments added. All tools combined into a single workbook.
 - NICM V: Schedule estimating and JCL added.
 - NICM VI: NICM-E capability and Cluster Tool added.
 - NICM VII: Telescope estimating capability added.
 - NICM VIII: Mission Class as a cost driver added.
 - NICM 9: Data Imputation Utilized, Multiple Build estimates introduced
 - NICM 10: To be released ~Fall 2022.

NICM Data

- Interviewing, Analyzing, Normalizing and Reviewing technical and cost Data is the heart and main strength of the NICM. Good models require good data.
- We are stringent when it comes to the quality, applicability and completeness of the data: before data is used for modeling, all records and normalization approaches are reviewed and blessed by both individuals who built the hardware as well as the multi-disciplinary NICM Team.
- **NICM 9 includes 299 Data Records**

Modeling Methodology

- Cluster Analysis
 - Identifies Instrument Groupings from Attribute Values
 - Assesses Consistency of Groups with Instrument Types
- Principal Components Analysis
 - Finds Potential Cost Drivers from Instrument Attributes
 - Identifies NICM Data Outliers – Revisit data with technical experts
 - Finds separation in the data (i.e. clustering)
 - Addresses multi-collinearity in data for regression analysis
- Bootstrap Cross Validation
 - *Bootstrap*: Process for generating meaningful statistics without assuming asymptotic normality by resampling from the data with replacement. .
 - *Cross Validation*: Partitioning of data set into training and testing sets. Out-of-sample validation.
 - Bootstrap technique also used to perform statistical tests for regression analysis.
- Imputation: Allows for use of incomplete records.

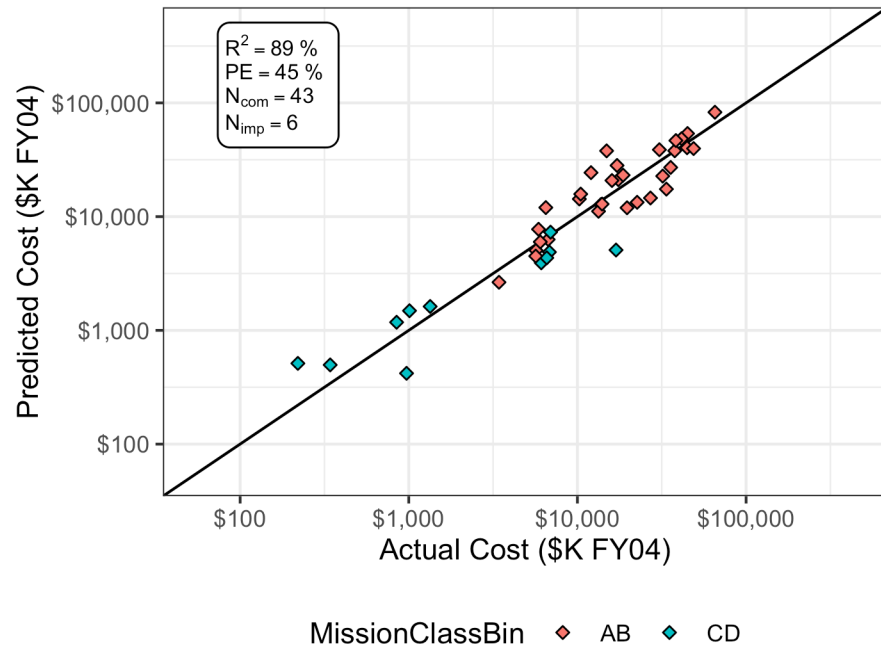
Model Types

- NICM contains the following modeling types:
 - Cost Estimating Relationships (CERs).
 - Schedule Estimating Relationships (SERs).
- The CERs exist at two different levels:
 - The instrument System or Total Level.
 - The instrument Subsystem and Wrap Level.
- The SERs only produce a total instrument schedule (they do not provide subsystem schedules).

Example Model: Optical Planetary CER

Optical (Planetary) Instrument Total B/C/D Cost (\$K FY04)

$$\text{Cost} = \begin{cases} 392 \times \text{DesignLife}^{0.32} \times \text{Mass}^{0.45} \times \text{Power}^{0.49}, & \text{if Class A/B} \\ 137 \times \text{DesignLife}^{0.32} \times \text{Mass}^{0.45} \times \text{Power}^{0.49}, & \text{if Class C/D} \end{cases}$$



Instruments used in this CER:			Imputed instruments used:
ALICE_Rosetta	CFI	CIRS	ALICE
CRISM	CRISP	CTX	IUVS
DLRE	IRAC	IRS	MDI
ISS	ITS	JunoCam	Ralph
LOLA	LORRI	LROC	SECCHI
M3	MARCI	MASCS	UVCS
MCS	MDIS	MICAS	
MIPS	MIR	MLA	
MOC-MO	MOLA-MO	MRI	
MSI	NavCam	NIR	
NIS	NLR	NSP	
ONC	PMIRR	TES_MO	
THEMIS	TLP	UVIS	
UVS - Juno	VIMS	VIS_LCROSS	
VSP			

Alternative form of equation:

$$\text{Cost} = 392 \text{ DesignLife}^{0.32} \text{ Mass}^{0.45} \text{ Power}^{0.49} \exp(\text{MissionClassBin})^{-1.05}$$

where MissionClassBin = 0 if Class A or B, & MissionClassBin = 1 if Class C or D

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Analytic Solutions: Motivation

Here's a fresh version of NICM 9, with the inputs you'd see already entered when you download it.

Inputs

Instrument Name Costs in \$K FY

Instrument Type Remote Sensing Type

Environment Mission Class

Flagship Mission?

	Minimum	Most Likely	Maximum
Total Mass (kg)		200	
Max Power (W)		80	
Number of Instruments		5	
Learning Slope%		90%	
Recurring Cost %		45%	

Model Cost Estimates

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I & T	\$6,827	\$10,406	\$16,453
Total Sensor	\$64,773	\$81,772	\$99,998

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Total B/C/D Instrument Cost S-Curve

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X-axis

Y-axis

Monte Carlo # Iterations

Automatic Monte Carlo

NICM Help

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PDF of Total B/C/D Instrument Cost

Multiple Builds	30%	50%	70%
1st Unit	\$85,006	\$112,202	\$146,761
2nd Unit	\$34,428	\$45,442	\$59,438
3rd Unit	\$32,370	\$42,726	\$55,885
4th Unit	\$30,985	\$40,898	\$53,494
5th Unit	\$29,951	\$39,534	\$51,710
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Analytic Solutions: Motivation

What happens when I change the 200 kg total mass to.... 200 kg? And, what happens if I hit recalculate a few times after that?

Inputs

Instrument Name	<input type="text"/>	Costs in \$K FY	2021
Instrument Type	Remote Sensing	Remote Sensing Type	Active Microwave
Environment	Planetary		
Mission Class	B		
Flagship Mission?	FALSE		

	Minimum	Most Likely	Maximum
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Total B/C/D Instrument Cost S-Curve

PDF of Total B/C/D Instrument Cost

● User's Most Likely Inputs
● Complete Data
■ Imputed or N/A

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X-axis	Total Mass (kg)
Y-axis	Max Power (W)

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Automatic Monte Carlo	On	Generate Screenshots	
NICM Help	Off		

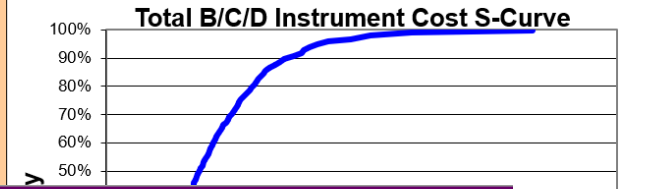
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We see for the same inputs, for 1000 Monte Carlo iterations, we can have a hard time reproducing our outputs.

Inputs			
Instrument Name	<input type="text"/>	Costs in \$K FY	<input type="text" value="2021"/>
Instrument Type	<input type="text" value="Remote Sensing"/>	Remote Sensing Type	<input type="text" value="Active Microwave"/>
Environment	<input type="text" value="Planetary"/>		
Mission Class	<input type="text" value="B"/>		
Flagship Mission?	<input type="text" value="FALSE"/>		
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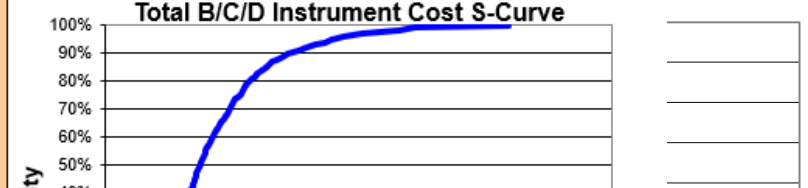
Model Cost Estimates			
Probability	30%	50%	70%
Total Instrument	\$83,768	\$109,984	\$146,867
Management	\$4,862	\$7,326	\$10,764
Sys. Engrg.	\$5,280	\$7,750	\$11,145
Prod. Assurance	\$2,993	\$4,722	\$7,179
I & T	\$6,675	\$10,484	\$15,839
Total Sensor	\$63,959	\$79,702	\$101,941



Total B/C/D Instrument Cost S-Curve

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Instrument Name	<input type="text"/>	Costs in \$K FY	<input type="text" value="2021"/>
Instrument Type	<input type="text" value="Remote Sensing"/>	Remote Sensing Type	<input type="text" value="Active Microwave"/>
Environment	<input type="text" value="Planetary"/>		
Mission Class	<input type="text" value="B"/>		
Flagship Mission?	<input type="text" value="FALSE"/>		
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• User's Most Likely Inputs

Analytic Solutions: Repeatable Solution

In NICM 10, *when only most likely inputs are entered*, the Monte Carlo is turned off automatically and a *REPEATABLE* analytic solution is provided.

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X-axis	Total Mass (kg)
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Analytic or Monte Carlo?	Analytic		
Automatic Mode	On	Generate Screenshots	
NICM Help	Off		

Model Cost Estimates

Probability	30%	50%	70%
Total Instrument	\$84,587	\$110,660	\$144,770
Management	\$4,859	\$7,210	\$10,694
Sys. Engrg.	\$5,217	\$7,658	\$11,235
Prod. Assurance	\$3,024	\$4,609	\$7,019
I & T	\$6,657	\$10,203	\$15,626
Total Sensor	\$64,831	\$80,980	\$100,197

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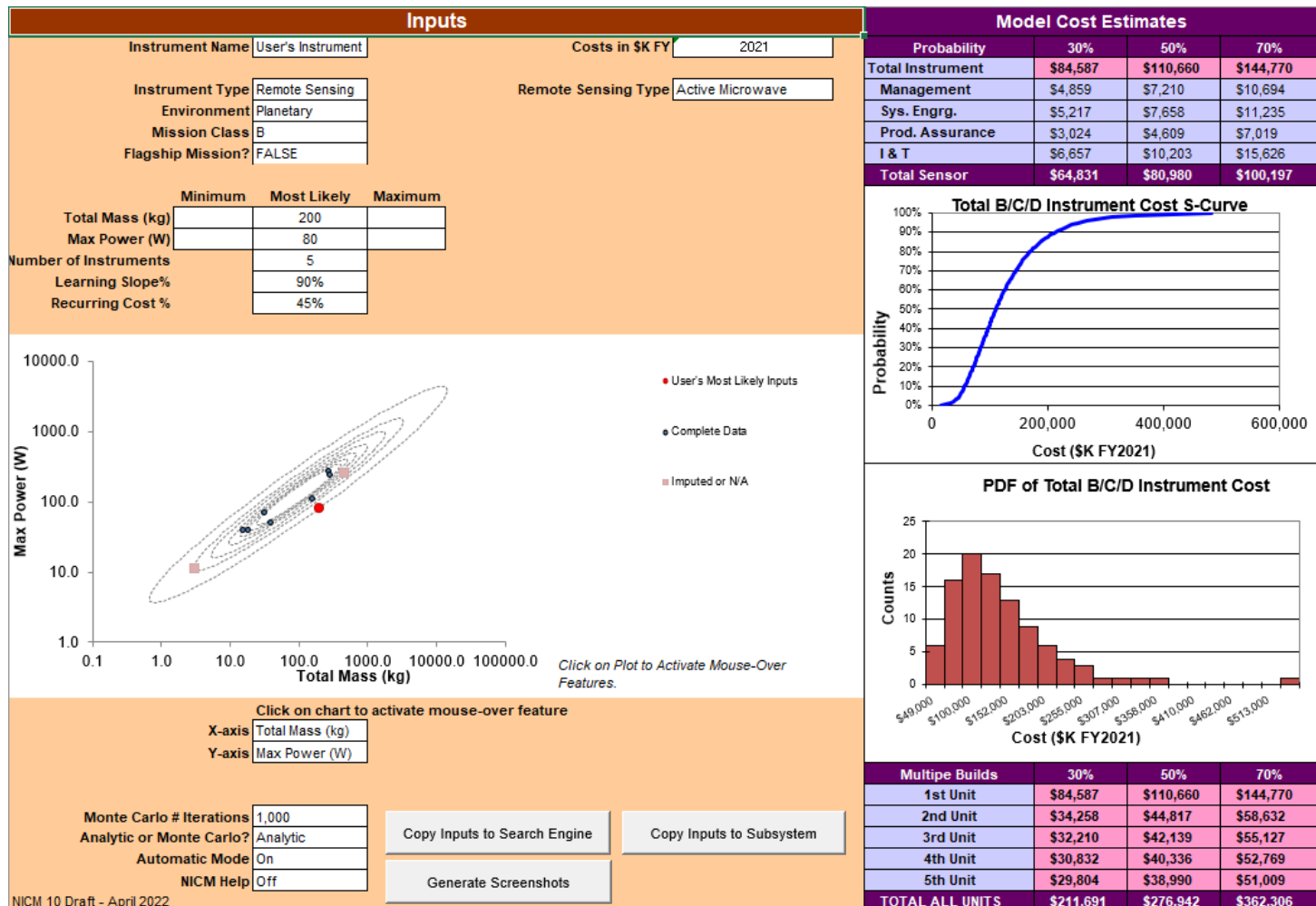
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Multiple Builds	30%	50%	70%
1st Unit	\$84,587	\$110,660	\$144,770
2nd Unit	\$34,258	\$44,817	\$58,632
3rd Unit	\$32,210	\$42,139	\$55,127
4th Unit	\$30,832	\$40,336	\$52,769
5th Unit	\$29,804	\$38,990	\$51,009
TOTAL ALL UNITS	\$211,691	\$276,942	\$362,306

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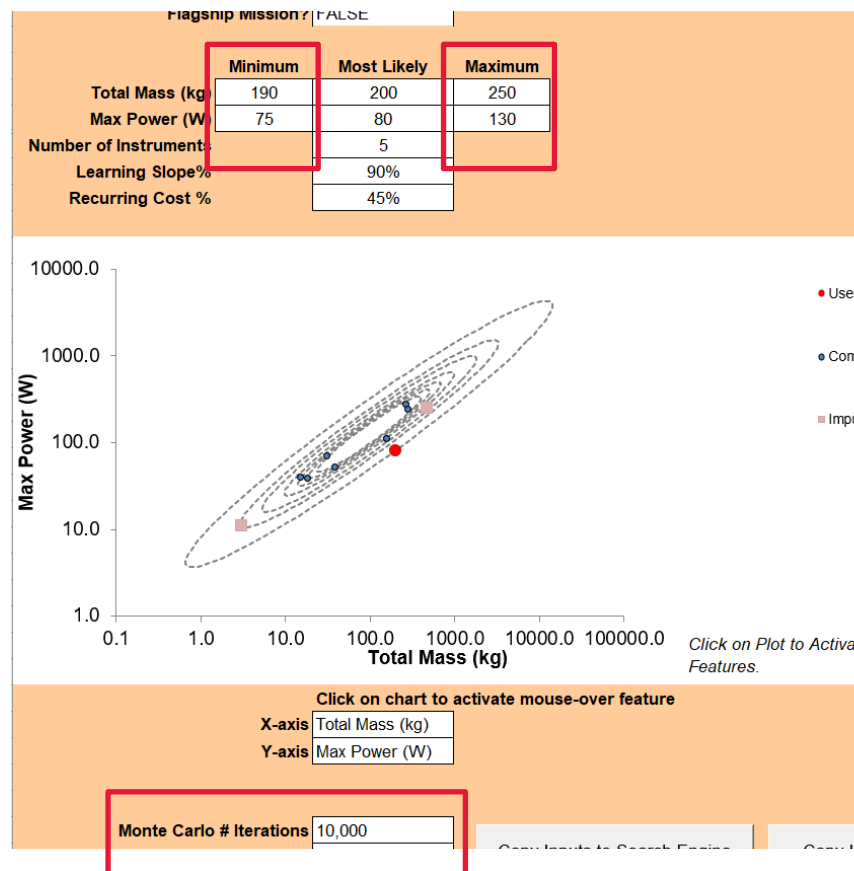
Analytic Solutions: Repeatable Solution

To say it differently: The inputs seen below will always yield the outputs seen below – again noting that the min and max inputs are not used.



Analytic Solutions: When Not Available.

When a Minimum or Maximum input is entered, the tool switches back to Monte Carlo Mode. To better converge towards a repeatable solution, increase the default Monte Carlo iterations from 1,000 to 10,000.



Analytic Solutions in the Subsystem Tool

The Subsystem will switch between an Analytic Solution and Monte Carlo solution in the same fashion as the System Tool.

Analytic Solutions in the Instrument Data Sheets

The NICM 10 Instrument Datasheets will show the System and Subsystem Analytic Solutions for all applicable CERs, allowing for comparison between Instrument Actual costs and the analytic cost estimates of the two tools.

Development Cost (Phases B/C/D) \$K FY2021								
			Subsystem Tool Estimates			System Tool Estimates		
	Actuals		30%	50%	70%	30%	50%	70%
TOTAL Development Cost	\$33,333		\$27,679	\$39,314	\$37,139	\$28,532	\$35,301	\$43,675
Management Cost	\$2,222		\$1,344	\$1,961	\$3,027	\$1,691	\$2,429	\$3,488
Systems Engineering Cost	\$2,222		\$1,648	\$2,395	\$3,488	\$1,945	\$2,774	\$3,954
Product Assurance Cost	\$1,111		\$687	\$1,069	\$1,560	\$898	\$1,314	\$1,922
Integration & Test Cost	\$2,222		\$1,494	\$2,249	\$3,500	\$1,947	\$2,864	\$4,210
Other Cost								
Total Sensor Cost	\$25,556		\$22,506	\$31,641	\$25,564	\$22,051	\$25,919	\$30,101
Optics Cost	\$7,777							
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Antenna Cost			\$5,284	\$6,574	\$8,343			
Mechanical/Structure Cost	\$4,444		\$6,316	\$9,322	\$6,316			
Thermal/Fluid Cost	\$2,222		\$4,918	\$7,432	\$4,918			
Cryocooler Cost								
Electronics Cost	\$10,111		\$5,210	\$7,206	\$5,210			
Detectors Cost								
Software Cost	\$1,002		\$777	\$1,108	\$777			
Other Subsystem Cost								

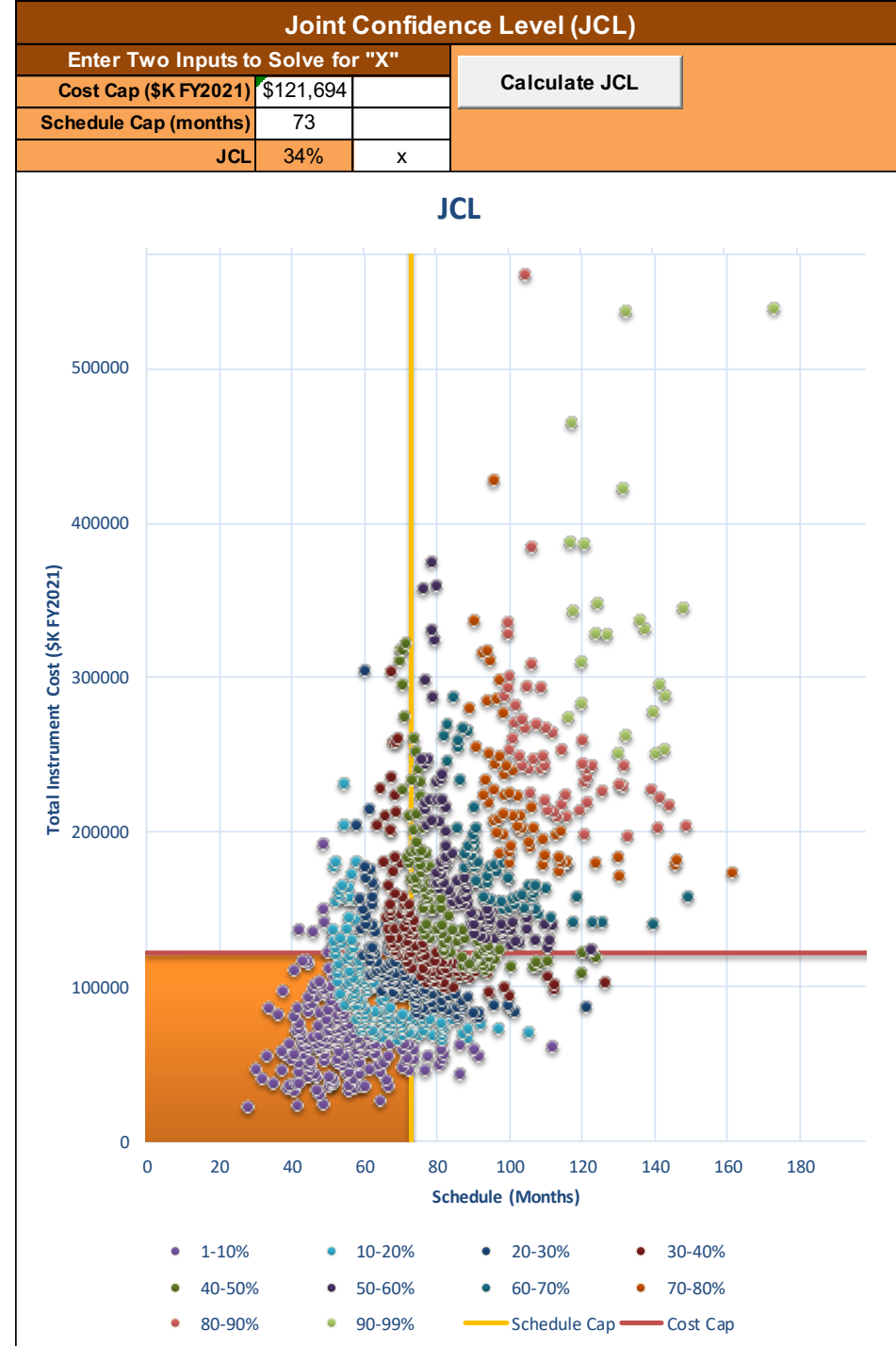
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Isoquant Visualization Added to JCL Plots

- The Isoquants (or indifference curves or frontier curves if you prefer) and represented by color coding simulated cost/schedule pairs according to which JCL percentage band they fall into: 1-10%, 10-20%, 20-30%, and so forth...
- Beware of pitfalls: cost and schedule can not be simply trade as isoquants might seem to indicate...


• 80-90%
• 90-99%
— Schedule Cap
— Cost Cap

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Bayesian Imputation Improved with Boundary Conditions

Recall from our last Symposium presentation:

“***Data imputation*** is a statistical method used to handle missing data in a dataset by probabilistically filling a data observation’s missing value(s) based on 1) the partial data that is available for that data observation and 2) the completed observations (those not missing any values) in the dataset.”

Bayesian Imputation Improved with Boundary Conditions

- Using data imputation, the NICM team was able to make improvements (green) to the following System Tool CERs in NICM 9:

CER	Complete Records	Imputed Records	V8.5 R ²	V9 R ²	V8.5 PE	V9 PE
Optical Planetary	43	6	89%	89%	48%	45%
Optical Earth Orbiting	35	10	85%	85%	48%	42%
Passive Microwave	12	2	86%	86%	37%	34%
Fields	12	2	74%	74%	44%	41%
Particles Planetary	30	7	60%	62%	52%	47%
Particles Earth Orbiting	24	3	77%	77%	53%	53%
Body Mounted	13	1	72%	72%	64%	62%
Arm/Mast Mounted	12	1	59%	60%	52%	50%

Bayesian Imputation Improved with Boundary Conditions

- In NICM 10, the Bayesian Imputation will be improved further as we add boundary conditions to constrain the imputed distributions using secondary data previously collected, including:
 - System tool
 - - Average power (lower bound)
 - - Mission Payload total cost (upper bound)
 - - Total cost for a multiple unit total cost (upper bound)
 - - Total instrument cost of a “modified build” instrument (lower bound)
 - - Total instrument cost of a Faster Better Cheaper instrument (lower bound)
 - - Total instrument cost missing small amount of foreign contribution (lower bound)
 - Subsystem tool
 - - Total cost minus any other known subsystem costs (upper)
 - - Total mass minus any other known subsystem masses (upper)

(By the way)

In NICM 10, we plan on relocating the cost “Notes” section in the NICM datasheets to make way to display a representative portion of the imputed cost distribution for any imputed instrument cost.

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Electronics Cost	\$10,111	\$5,210	\$7,206	\$5,210				
Detectors Cost								
Software Cost	\$1,002	\$777	\$1,108	\$777				
Other Subsystem Cost								

* “Actual data” in this example = dummy data.


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Search Engine: Search by Model

- A new section called “Models” has been added to the Search Engine.
- Let’s Zoom in on the red box...

NICM Database Search Engine ✕

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Express Costs in \$K FY:

Element Type	Remote Sensing Types	Remote Sensing vs. Insitu	Insitu Mounting Types
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Telescope Wavelength Bin	Cryocooler Types	Mission Class	Program
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
SSIT Level 1	SSIT Level 2	SSIT Level 3	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

Total Mass (kg)	Instrument Name Abbreviated
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Total Max Power (W)	Instrument Name Full
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Earth Orbiting vs Planetary	Mission Name Abbreviated
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Design Life (months)	Mission Name Full
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Optics Mirror Diameter (cm)	Total Devel Cost (\$K FY21)
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Subsystem Information

Costs | **Mass** | Power | TRL | **Models** | Other 1 | Other 2

Total Cost CERs	Subsystem CERs	Wrap CERs
Planetary Optical <input type="text"/>	Antenna, Active Microwave <input type="text"/>	Management <input type="text"/>
Earth Orbiting Optical <input type="text"/>	Antenna, Passive Microwave/Other <input type="text"/>	Systems Engineering <input type="text"/>
Active Microwave <input type="text"/>	Optics <input type="text"/>	Product Assurance <input type="text"/>
Passive Microwave <input type="text"/>	Telescope <input type="text"/>	Integration and Test <input type="text"/>
Fields <input type="text"/>	Planetary Electronics <input type="text"/>	Schedule SERs
Earth Orbiting Particles <input type="text"/>	Earth Orbiting Electronics <input type="text"/>	Earth Orbiting <input type="text"/>
Planetary, Particles <input type="text"/>	Mechanical/Structures <input type="text"/>	Planetary Remote Sensing <input type="text"/>
Telescope Instrument <input type="text"/>	Detectors, Fields/Ion/PPP <input type="text"/>	Planetary, In-Situ <input type="text"/>
Arm/Mast Mounted <input type="text"/>	Detectors, CCD <input type="text"/>	
Body Mounted <input type="text"/>	Software <input type="text"/>	
Probe Mounted <input type="text"/>	Thermal/Fluid <input type="text"/>	
	Cryocooler <input type="text"/>	

Global String Search

Search Database

OR Search

Reset Inputs

Reset Output Defaults

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Search Engine: Search by Model

- This section allows the user to quickly search for all Instruments used in a particular CER, and to perform sub-searches within those sets.

Total Cost CERs	Subsystem CERs	Wrap CERs
Planetary Optical	Antenna, Active Microwave	Management
Earth Orbiting Optical	Antenna, Passive Microwave/Other	Systems Engineering
Active Microwave	Optics	Product Assurance
Passive Microwave	Telescope	Integration and Test
Fields	Planetary Electronics	Schedule SERs
Earth Orbiting Particles	Earth Orbiting Electronics	Earth Orbiting
Planetary, Particles	Mechanical/Structures	Planetary Remote Sensing
Telescope Instrument	Detectors, Fields/Ion/PPP	Planetary, In-Situ
Arm/Mast Mounted	Detectors, CCD	
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Search Engine: Summary Tables

- Below the usual Search Engine results, NICM 10 will generate a simple summary table.
- We would like to hear what else you'd like to see in this automatic summary table.
- NICM@jpl.nasa.gov

Instrument Name Abbreviated	Instrument Type	Total Mass (kg)	Total Max Power (W)
APS-Glory	Optical	24.72	7.04
CERES	Optical	34.71	28.70
CERES-SuomiNPP	Optical	48.33	28.72
CIRS	Optical	7.52	22.12
CRISM	Optical	25.76	35.72
CRISP	Optical	26.02	31.74
FUV	Optical	7.22	20.29
FUV ICON	Optical	28.63	9.02
HRI Deep Impact	Optical	5.01	49.80
IRAC	Optical	16.06	6.92
IRS	Optical	5.19	51.25
ISS	Optical	26.92	54.78
LRI	Optical		1
MDI	Optical		8
MIGHTI	Optical		7
MIPS	Optical		3
MOLA MGS	Optical	1.04	4.75
NOMAD	Optical	6.39	38.26
PFS	Optical	32.48	34.52
PMIRR	Optical	28.60	33.42
SOFIE	Optical	16.61	22.16
TIDI	Optical	11.74	18.97
TIM Glory	Optical	23.43	23.52
TOMS	Optical	26.88	56.29
TRACE	Optical	50.92	53.40
VIMS	Optical	6.33	5.44
VIRS	Optical	9.62	6.74

Random Numbers,
not actual data.

SUMMARY DATA	Instrument Type	Total Mass (kg)	Total Max Power (W)
Average:		20.11	27.79
Minimum:		1.04	4.75
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Search Engine: Weighted Averages Using kNN

- The kNN algorithm you have heard about many times from both ASCoT and COMPACT is now utilized in NICM as well.
- In addition to the simple average shown in the summary table, the NICM 10 Search Engine will now include an interface to determine weighted averages using kNN.

Search Engine: Weighted Averages Using kNN

- As soon as an input is entered, the code runs and you'll see the Search Engine results reproduced and sorted according to the nearest neighbors.
- Let's zoom in for a simple example...

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		50	

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Knn Weighted Averages:	Instrument Type	Total Mass (kg)	Total Max Power (W)
			35.39

Search Engine: Weighted Averages Using kNN

- Simple example: Let's input 50 kg as our kNN input.
- The code will sort the Search Engine results according to the nearest neighbors (in this case, those closest to 50 kg),
- Below that, the code creates a k nearest neighbor weighted average for Max Power.

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		50		
Instrument Name	Abbreviated	Instrument Type	Total Mass (kg)	Total Max Power (W)
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And More!

NICM 10: And more!

- Non-CER instruments will be added to the database.
- A new Mission View summary tab will be included.
- The Search Engine results table will be unlocked for easy sorting etc.
- The user's minimum and maximum now appear along with the user's most likely inputs in the Subsystem Tool's box and whisker plot.
- Search engine will include "not equal to" search capability.
- Multiple build override capability.
- Last, but certainly not least, all models will be refreshed with the recently added instrument data.

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