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A small metal sphere weighing slightly more than 83 kilograms was placed into an elliptical orbit by the mighty R-7 rocket. It was perhaps one of the most significant moments in human history. The date was October 4th 1957 and the sphere was called Sputnik. When the world's first artificial satellite sped across the night skies the impact was far-reaching and profound. Not only was this clearly one of the great scientific achievements of the modern age but it was also a catalyst which would propel the United States out of its post-War lethargy. The Political significance of the lift-capability of the R-7 rocket aroused the attentions of the West while irrevocably altering the face of human history. The Space Age had begun. The story of the R-7 rocket and its many offspring is one which still remains a mystery in the West. Now in the post-Cold war era the remarkable accomplishments of the engineers of Rocket & Space Corporation Energia are finally reaching eager readers in the West. The pages within contain a pictorial record encompassing the entire history of the Russian space programme, from its inception at the end of World War II to the present day. The sheer wealth of original and durable technology is a testament to the ingenuity of a remarkable people and gives a unique glimpse a the future of the historic

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partnership between East and West. Published for the first time completely in English, Rocket & Space Corporation Energia features rare pictures and diagrams including: Sputnik - Yuri Gagarin's Vostok capsule - the world's first Space Stations - the enormous lunar rocket N1 - Russia's interplanetary probes and the Buran shuttle.

Rex Hall and Dave Shayler provide a unique history of the Soyuz spacecraft programme from conception, through development to its use, detailed in the only English language book available on this topic. Planned for publication in 2003, it will celebrate 40 years since the original concept of the Soyuz craft.

The International Space Station (ISS) program began in 1993, with Russia joining the United States, Europe, Japan, and Canada. Crews have occupied ISS on a 4-6 month rotating basis since November 2000. The U.S. Space Shuttle, which first flew in April 1981, has been the major vehicle taking crews and cargo back and forth to ISS, but the shuttle system has encountered difficulties since the Columbia disaster in 2003. Russian Soyuz spacecraft are also used to take crews to and from ISS, and Russian Progress spacecraft deliver cargo, but cannot return anything to Earth, since they are not designed to survive re-entry into the Earth's atmosphere. A Soyuz is always attached to the station as a lifeboat in case of an emergency. President Bush, prompted in part by the Columbia tragedy, made a major space policy address on January 14, 2004, directing NASA to focus its activities on returning humans to the Moon and someday sending them

to Mars. Included in this "Vision for Space Exploration" is a plan to retire the space shuttle in 2010. The President said the United States would fulfil its commitments to its space station partners, and the shuttle Discovery made the first post-Columbia flight to the ISS in July 2006. Shuttle flights have continued and completion of the space station is scheduled before the shuttle is retired in 2010.

Meanwhile NASA has begun development of a new crew launch vehicle, named Ares, and a crew exploration vehicle, named Orion. NASA programs were funded for FY2008 in Division B of the Consolidated Appropriations Act (P.L. 110-161). The Space Operations program, which includes the space shuttle and the ISS, was funded at \$6.734 billion. For FY2009 NASA requested \$5.775 billion for these programs, but in the process revised its budgeting to move its overhead costs to a new account called Cross-Agency Support. Under the new system, the FY2008 Space Operations program would have received \$5.526 billion, about \$250 million less than the FY2009 request. A FY2009 NASA authorisation bill (H.R. 6063) was introduced May 15, 2008. Among the provisions in the one-year authorisation bill is a "Sense of the Congress" urging co-operation in the Moon/Mars activities with other nations pursuing human space flight.

Rockets

Space Flight

NASA Activities

The L-1 and L-3 Manned Lunar Programs and the Story of the N-1 "Moon Rocket"

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The Story of Manned Space Stations

Rendezvous in Space

This book charts the history of manned space stations in a logical, chronological order. It tells the story of the two major space powers starting out on their very separate programs, but slowly coming together. It describes rarely mentioned development programs, most of which never flew, including the US Manned Orbiting Laboratory, the Soviet Almaz station, and the Soviet Polyus battlestation. The Mir space station was one of the greatest human achievements in modern history, and a thorough telling of its story is essential to this book. This book is the first of its kind to tell the whole story of the manned space stations from the USA and Russia.

A revolution in spaceflight is likely soon with the prospect of everyday access to orbit within fifteen years. Costly launch vehicles based on ballistic missiles will be replaced by 'spaceplanes', using technology that exists today. In five years' time, a prototype could be built, and with a further ten years of detailed development, the design could approach airliner maturity, reducing the cost of sending people into space some one thousand times to around US\$20,000. Spaceplane development has, in effect, been suppressed by entrenched thinking and short-term vested interests. But the present monopoly of large government space agencies

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is becoming unsupportable, and the market that understands the very real opportunities for space travel will be reaching critical mass in the near future. This book examines these issues and shows why space tourism will one day become the single largest business in space, and how astronomy and environmental science will be transformed by low-cost access making possible instruments vastly larger than those of today. Contents: Past, Present, Predicted Future:Spaceplane HistoryRecent DevelopmentsWay AheadSpaceplane Potential:Spaceplane Low-Cost PotentialOrbital InfrastructureThe Spaceplane Space AgeTime Scale:Technical FeasibilitySafetyMaturityMarketDevelopment CostDesign LogicBreaking the MouldBenefitsConclusions Readership: Professionals and members of the public interested in the way ahead for space including students, academics, industrialists and managers involved in the space, aircraft and travel industries. Reviews:"... a fascinating and very readable account ... This fine book will appeal to the technically minded and the romantic at heart alike."Philip Bridle BBC Broadcaster - Astronomy and Space "In this fascinating book the author, founder of Bristol Spaceplanes argues the case clearly and very effectively ... will help to dislodge entrenched thinking where it matters. Recommended, indeed essential, reading."Spaceflight "This readable but no-frills book details how a

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private sector return to the 'aircraft approach' will cut launch costs enabling space tourism at a 'reasonable' cost. It serves as a good summary of a dynamic market that repays close watching."Astronomy Now Covers manned, interplanetary, scientific, and application satellites and launch vehicles, presenting photographs along with data on specifications, features, and missions

Space Travel

The Early years

Soyuz Apollo

Aeronautics and Space Report of the President
Spaceflight Revolution

A NASA History of the Apollo-Soyuz Test
Project

With over 2,300 entries, this fascinating and expansive dictionary covers all aspects of space exploration, from A-Train to Zvezda. This jargon-free new edition has been fully revised and updated to take into account the new developments in space exploration on an international scale over the last thirteen years, with new entries such as Hitomi, Space X Dragon, and Ariane 5 Rocket. All entries are fully cross-referenced for ease of use, and are supported by over 75 photographs, illustrations, and diagrams. In addition to the main definitions, this new edition also contains links to over 250 space-related websites. This authoritative, comprehensive, and clear dictionary is essential reading for anyone with an interest in astronomy and space travel.

This official NASA document provides an interesting review of NASA's experience working with the Russians and lessons

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on astronaut safety assurance of the Soyuz spacecraft. This report on Soyuz history was conceived as a possible analogy relevant to domestic commercial spaceflight vehicles. The question of how to human-rate new spacecraft has been asked many times throughout the history of human spaceflight. The U. S., Russia, and, now China have each separately and successfully addressed this question. NASA's operational experience with human-rating primarily resides with Mercury, Gemini, Apollo, Space Shuttle, and the International Space Station (ISS). NASA's latest developmental experience includes Constellation, but also encompasses X38, X33, and the Orbital Space Plane. If domestic commercial crew vehicles are used to transport astronauts to and from space, the Soyuz vehicle would be another relevant example of the methods that could be used to human-rate a spacecraft and how to work with commercial spacecraft providers. As known from history, the first U.S. astronaut to orbit on a Soyuz spacecraft was Thomas P. Stafford on July 17, 1975, during the Apollo-Soyuz Test Project (ASTP) mission. Norman E. Thagard was the first U.S. astronaut to launch on a Soyuz launch vehicle, Soyuz TM-21, on March 14, 1995, on a flight to the Russian Mir Space Station. This flight was associated with the U.S./Russian - Shuttle/Mir Program. The first Soyuz launched to ISS included astronaut William M. Shepherd, Soyuz TM-31, on October 31, 2000. Prior to this, NASA studied Soyuz as an assured crew return vehicle (ACRV) for Space Station Freedom (SSF) to be launched on the Space Shuttle. Presently, in preparation for Space Shuttle retirement, all U.S. astronauts are being transported to and from ISS in the Russian Soyuz spacecraft, which is launched on the Soyuz launch vehicle. In the case of Soyuz, NASA's normal assurance

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practices have had to be adapted. For a variety of external reasons, NASA has taken a "trust but verify" approach to Soyuz and international cargo vehicles. The verify approach was to perform joint safety assurance assessments of the critical spacecraft systems. For Soyuz, NASA's primary assurance was (and continues to be) its long and successful flight history. The other key measure relied on diverse teams of NASA's best technical experts working very closely with their foreign counterparts to understand the essential design, verification, and operational features of Soyuz. Those experts used their personal experiences and NASA's corporate knowledge (in the form of agency, program, center, and other standards) to jointly and independently assess a wide range of topics.

This bestselling reference guide contains the most reliable and comprehensive material on launch programs in Brazil, China, Europe, India, Israel, and the United States. Packed with illustrations and figures, this edition has been updated and expanded, and offers a quick and easy data retrieval source for policy makers, planners, engineers, launch buyers, and students.

Making Commercial Spaceflight a Reality

The New Rocket Science

Salyut : Soviet steps toward permanent human presence in space.

Reference Guide to the International Space Station

Aeronautics and Space Report of the President ... Activities

A Dictionary of Space Exploration

This best-selling reference guide contains the most reliable and up-to-date material on launch programs in

Brazil, China, Europe, India, Israel, Japan, Russia, Ukraine, and the United States. Packed with illustrations and figures, the third edition has been extensively updated and expanded, and offers a quick and easy data retrieval source for policymakers, planners, engineers, launch buyers, and students.

The heritage of the major Mir complex hardware elements is described. These elements include Soyuz-TM and Progress-M ; the Kvant, Kvant 2, and Kristall modules ; and the Mir base block.

Configuration changes and major mission events of Salyut 6, Salyut 7, and Mir multiport space stations are described in detail for the period 1977-1994. A comparative chronology of U.S. and Soviet/Russian manned spaceflight is also given for that period. The 68 illustrations include comparative scale drawings of U.S. and Russian spacecraft as well as sequential drawings depicting missions and mission events.

“The Soyuz Launch Vehicle” tells the story, for the first time in a single English-language book, of the extremely successful Soyuz launch vehicle. Built as the world’s first intercontinental ballistic

missile (ICBM), Soyuz was adapted to launch not only Sputnik but also the first man to orbit Earth, and has been in service for over fifty years in a variety of forms. It has launched all Soviet manned spacecraft and is now the only means of reaching the International Space Station. It was also the workhorse for launching satellites and space probes and has recently been given a second life in French Guiana, fulfilling a commercial role in a joint venture with France. No other launch vehicle has had such a long and illustrious history. This remarkable book gives a complete and accurate description of the two lives of Soyuz, chronicling the recent cooperative space endeavors of Europe and Russia. The book is presented in two parts: Christian Lardier chronicles the “first life” in Russia while Stefan Barensky explores its “second life,” covering Starsem, the Franco-Russian company and implementation of technology for the French Guiana Space Agency by ESA. Part One has been developed from Russian sources, providing a descriptive approach to very technical issues. The second part of the book tells the

contemporary story of the second life of Soyuz, gathered from Western sources and interviews with key protagonists. "The Soyuz Launch Vehicle" is a detailed description of a formidable human adventure, with its political, technical, and commercial ramifications. At a time when a new order was taking shape in the space sector, the players being the United States, Russia, Europe and Asia, and when economic difficulties sometimes made it tempting to give up, this book reminds us that in the global sector, nothing is impossible.

International Reference Guide to Space Launch Systems

Safe Is Not An Option

Chance Encounter with a Stratospheric Kerosene Rocket Plume from Russia Over California

The Partnership

Jane's Space Directory

The Book On Rocket Science

The article explains the purpose and functioning of the Emergency Escape System (EES), contained in the inverted metal cup on top of the Soviet spaceships 'Soyuz-4 and -5'. This system is designed to help save the lives of the crew in case serious malfunctioning of the launch

vehicle during the launch and throughout all the phases of the powered flight trajectory when putting the spacecraft into orbit. The article also discusses other emergency systems and safety features of the 'Soyuz' spacecraft. (Author).

From the shocking launch of the Soviet satellite Sputnik and the subsequent acceleration of the American space program to the first manned space flights, the moon landings, and the Space Shuttle and International Space Station programs, the history of space travel is full of fascinating stories, technological marvels, hair-raising and death-defying feats of courage, and an inspiring spirit of both adventure and discovery. This is all brought into sharp focus in spreads that are bursting with color, fascinating facts, and stunning imagery. Also examined is the future of space travel, including space tourism, manned missions to Mars, and intergalactic manned exploration of deep space. As the other major spacefaring nation, the Soviet Union is a subject of interest to the Congress in their deliberations concerning the future of U.S. space activities. In the course of an assessment of Civilian Space Stations (in 1983), the Office of Tech. Assessment (OTA) undertook a study of the presence of Soviets in space & their Salyut space stations. The major element in this technical memorandum was a

workshop held at OTA in Dec. 1982: it was the first occasion when a significant number of experts in this area of Soviet space activities had met for extended unclassified discussion. As a result of the workshop, OTA prepared this report. Includes ¿Graphic Comparison of Soviet & U.S. Space Vehicles.¿ Illustrations.

Space Rescue

Exploring Space

The Soyuz Launch Vehicle

In Space to Stay

The International Space Station

Soviet space programs

The Saturn I and IB series of rockets fulfilled plans developed in the late 1950s to build a rocket which could triple the existing thrust levels of US rockets and equal the lifting capacity of the Soviet Union, launching satellites and spacecraft weighing more than 10 tonnes into Earth orbit and do it by the early 1960s. These rockets emerged from the work carried out by former V-2 technical director Wernher von Braun, working at the Army Ballistic Missile Agency in Huntsville, Alabama. Three times more powerful than anything launched by America to that date, with a cluster of eight rocket motors for the first stage, the first Saturn I flew on October 27, 1961,

and propelled America into the heavy-lift business. It was the Saturn I, and its successor the Saturn IB, with a more powerful second stage, that did all the preparatory work getting NASA ready to put men on the Moon. Between 1961 and 1975, the 19 flights of the Saturn I and IB achieved several historic "firsts", launching the world's first high-energy liquid oxygen/liquid hydrogen upper stages into orbit in 1964, the first unmanned test of suborbital and orbital Apollo spacecraft in 1966, the first unmanned test of the Lunar Module in 1968, the first manned Apollo spacecraft Apollo 7 also in 1968, all three Skylab flights in 1973 and the last Apollo spacecraft flown in support of the Apollo-Soyuz Test Project in 1975.

In *Space to Stay*, the third book in the spell-binding *The Saga of Rocket Science* series, gives a thorough exposé of the U.S. Apollo and Space Shuttle programs. You will be there as Gus Grissom, Ed White, and Roger Chaffee perish and get incinerated inside their locked Apollo 1 capsule; when Jim Lovell, Jack Swigert, and Fred Haise didn't know if they would make it back alive aboard a freezing lunar module on Apollo 13; as Neil and Buzz experienced the euphoria of being the

first humans to land on the Moon, while Mike Collins in lunar orbit and an anxious world looked on. You'll see the same panoramic vistas of the lunar landscape and the beautiful blue marble we call Earth as the astronauts saw. You are taken inside the Challenger Space Shuttle as it caught fire and disintegrated in flight. What seven brave astronauts felt like as they plunged to their deaths in a basically intact crew cockpit. You'll understand exactly what failed and how it failed on both the Challenger and the ill-fated Columbia space shuttles, and why another seven astronauts aboard the Columbia felt no pain despite their grisly annihilation during reentry. In this edition, NASA provides an overview of the ISS, describe its research facilities and accommodations, and provide key information to conduct your experiments on this unique orbiting laboratory.

Soyuz

Rocket and Space Corporation Energia

1981-87 : piloted space activities, launch vehicles, launch sites, and tracking support

Soviet Space Programs: Piloted space activities, launch vehicles, launch sites,

and tracking support

The Two Lives of an Engineering Triumph
The history of exploration and establishment of new lands, science and technologies has always entailed risk to the health and lives of the explorers. Yet, when it comes to exploring and developing the high frontier of space, the harshest frontier ever, the highest value is apparently not the accomplishment of those goals, but of minimizing, if not eliminating, the possibility of injury or death of the humans carrying them out. For decades since the end of Apollo, human spaceflight has been very expensive and relatively rare (about 500 people total, with a death rate of about 4%), largely because of this risk aversion on the part of the federal government and culture. From the Space Shuttle, to the International Space Station, the new commercial crew program to deliver astronauts to it, and the regulatory approach for commercial spaceflight providers, our attitude toward safety has been fundamentally irrational, expensive and even dangerous, while generating minimal accomplishment for maximal cost. This book entertainingly explains why this means that we must regulate passenger safety in the new commercial spaceflight industry with a

lighter hand than many might instinctively prefer, that NASA must more carefully evaluate rewards from a planned mission to rationally determine how much should be spent to avoid the loss of participants, and that Congress must stop insisting that safety is the highest priority, for such insistence is an eloquent testament to how unimportant they and the nation consider the opening of this new

During a routine ER-2 aircraft high-altitude test flight on April 18, 1997, an unusual aerosol cloud was detected at 20 km altitude near the California coast at about 370 degrees N latitude. Not visually observed by the ER-2 pilot, the cloud was characterized by high concentration of soot and sulfate aerosol in a region over 100 km in horizontal extent indicating that the source of the plume was a large hydrocarbon fueled vehicle, most likely a launch vehicle powered only by rocket motors burning liquid oxygen and kerosene. Two Russian Soyuz rockets could conceivably have produced the plume. The first was launched from the Baikonur Cosmodrome, Kazakhstan on April 6th; the second was launched from Plesetsk, Russia on April 9. Air parcel trajectory calculations and long-lived tracer gas concentrations in

the cloud indicate that the Baikonur rocket launch is the most probable source of the plume. The parcel trajectory calculations do not unambiguously trace the transport of the Soyuz plume from Asia to North America, illustrating serious flaws in the point-to-point trajectory calculations. This chance encounter represents the only measurement of the stratospheric effects of emissions from a rocket powered exclusively with hydrocarbon fuel.

This book describes a new type of rocket science needed to create low-cost, reliable, responsive space transportation. You don't have to be a rocket scientist to understand the issues explored within this book. The text is beyond the current state-of-the-art engineering of modern launch vehicles, going into a scientific investigation that opens the door to true design optimization. The purpose of this work is to enable the reader to understand how low-cost space transportation is practical, and why it has been so hard to achieve.

SpaceX

**Piloted Space Activities, Launch Vehicles, Launch Sites, and Tracking Support
Overcoming The Futile Obsession With
Getting Everyone Back Alive That Is Killing**

Our Expansion Into Space Beyond the Saga of Rocket Science An Introduction Mir Hardware Heritage

*Space exploration has fascinated us since the launch of the first primitive rockets more than three thousand years ago, and it continues to fascinate us today. The data gathered from such exploration have been hugely instrumental in furthering our understanding of our universe and our world. In *Space Flight: History, Technology, and Operations*, Lance K. Erickson offers a comprehensive book at the history of space exploration, the technology that makes it possible, and the continued efforts that promise to carry us into the future. *Space Flight* goes through the history of space exploration---from the earliest suborbital and orbital missions to today's deep-space probes---to provide a close look at past and present projects, then turns its attention to programs being planned today and the significance of future exploration. Focusing on research data gleaned from these exploration programs, the book's historical perspective highlights the progression of our scientific understanding of both the smallest and the largest entities in our universe, from subatomic particles to distant stars, planets, and galaxies. Both the novice and the advanced student of space exploration stand to profit from the author's engaging and insightful discussion.*

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Looks forward to the completion of the ISS, possibility of return to the moon, manned flights to Mars, and the prospect of safety and rescue far beyond. Describes the role of Mission Control and recovery forces in ensuring the support from the ground to the crew in space. Provides a unique range of historic archive of material on the Russian programme. Presents a review of the Columbia accident, its investigation and various proposed rescue scenarios. Details escape systems devised for rocket research aircraft, early manned spacecraft, abort and recovery options from Earth orbit, and from lunar distance. Demonstrates that crew safety has been a factor in planning and mounting on all manned spaceflights.

Space Exploration For Dummies

NASA Saturn I/IB Launch Vehicles Owner's Workshop Manual

Ensuring the Safety of Manned Spacecraft

The High Frontier

History, Technology, and Operations

NASA Astronauts on Soyuz

Authorized NASA history of the first joint U.S.-Soviet space flight features many interviews with participants and firsthand observations of project activities. 86 pages of photos and a full-color insert. 1978 edition.

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This first account of commercial spaceflight 's most successful venture describes the extraordinary feats of engineering and human achievement that have placed SpaceX at the forefront of the launch industry and made it the most likely candidate for transporting humans to Mars. Since its inception in 2002, SpaceX has sought to change the space launch paradigm by developing a family of launch vehicles that will ultimately reduce the cost and increase the reliability of space access tenfold. Coupled with the newly emerging market for governmental, private, and commercial space transport, this new model will re-ignite humanity's efforts to explore and develop space. Formed in 2002 by Elon Musk, the founder of PayPal and the Zip2 Corporation, SpaceX has already developed two state-of-the-art new launch vehicles, established an impressive launch manifest, and been awarded COTS funding by NASA to demonstrate delivery and return of cargo to the ISS. This book describes how simplicity, low-cost, and reliability can go hand in hand, as promoted in the philosophy of SpaceX. It explains how, by eliminating the traditional layers of internal management and external sub-contractors and keeping the vast majority of manufacturing in house, SpaceX reduces its costs while accelerating decision making and delivery, controls quality, and ensures constant liaison between the design and manufacturing teams.

Soviet Space Programs, 1981-1987

Mercury to Apollo-Soyuz

Jane's Pocket Book of Space Exploration

ON TOP OF THE ROCKET.

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