Training and Operations for Error Reduction

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Industry credibility

Building the Foundation

Built on review of 22 initiatives

- ASIST
- Blueprint
- Safer Skies
- CPS
- CAST
- GA Joint Steering Committee
- JAA Joint Safety Strategy
- FAST
- FSF
- SAE Emerging Technologies
- AOPA
- CAPSTONE enhancement
- NTSB most wanted
- National EMS Pilots Ass.
- Helicopter Safety Advisory Conference
- European Aeronautics
- A Vision for 2020
- Eurocontrol ATM
- EECS R&D
- ACARE
- UK CAA
- UKOOK

Most aviation accidents attributed to human error

Over 1/2 of the ASIST recommendations are HF concepts

ASIST HF recommendations are still top priorities

e.g., CAST top recommendations were in ASIST

Human Factors should not be buried in the Program
The ASIST recommendations

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**SWAP Phase I research areas mapped onto ASIST and CAST recommendations**
High demand time in flight deck as pilots completing Before Landing Checklist while working to insure that aircraft is fully stabilized for landing. Prior to reaching FAF pilots must set DA in MCP or aircraft systems will switch to Altitude Hold and drop out of VNAV PATH: aircraft will not start programmed descent and will continue to fly at 1800 feet.
QuickTime™ and a
Animation decompressor
are needed to see this picture.
• When they notice their oversight do they land?
  • perception of risk
  • depends on safety culture

• normal and emergency or abnormal procedures can be evaluated
• procedural noncompliance

• conceptual automation training
• flight crew overload
• effects of distractions

• concurrent task management
• teach self-monitoring
• decision making under stress

• cognitive usability of flight deck technologies/design support tools

• integration of devices in cockpit
• alert and monitoring systems: Get a visual alert when pass FAF, illuminate, could have been avoided if aural alert alert

• system complexity
• train to multiple, ambiguous problems
• roles/responsibilities
• levels of automation

Thanks to Allen Goodman and Mike Delal for generating the MIDAS simulations for this presentation.
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  – Feed Program assessments
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  – Expert knowledge solicitation - focus group - users, ATC, pilots, FAA on system integration and procedural issues
• Cross-cutting, Program-specific research
  – Based on above analysis
  – Obtain feedback from users in operational setting
• Ensure HF recommendations are utilized where feasible
  – Milestone links

Products
• Human Factors recommendations
• Implementation route
  – Manuals and checklists
• Training aids
Event Analysis Research

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- ASRS
- NASDAC
- NAOMS
- NTSB
- ASAP

Get behind the Program projects
Current trends in safety - what’s missing

Ames Unique Expertise with Event Analysis

Experience with report interpretation

Domain experience

Event Analysis

Mining tools at ARC

This training and experience informs our work on a daily basis

GA experience
Military Experience

Flight instructors
737 Type Ratings

Pilot Certificates held:
Private
Commercial
Airline Transport

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AvSSP Threat & Human Error Management

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Error & Risk Modeling (ERM) Element

Models support HF studies:
- Extrapolation beyond empirical data
- Determine candidate early-design technologies and operations
- Resource efficient (fast-time)

Design Process Improvement

HF Studies support model development:
- Model input parameters
- Validation of models
- Usage/acceptance issues
  (SA, workload)

Candidate Domains
- Alerting
- Display legibility
- Communication
- Surface Operations
- Operational Changes
- Procedures
- Automation enhancements
- GA equippage

Airframe industry
Avionics
AOCs
FAA, NASA
RTCA, SAE

Human Operator Models

Human Factors Empirical Studies

Emergent issues
Problem formalization

Products
- Safer new operations & procedures
- Safer new technology designs
- Robust, validated models for:
  - Design cycle decisions
  - Operational cost/benefits
  - New operations & usage
- Optimized displays
- Coordinated SA system
- Probability risk assessment tool
- Accident recreation

Task complexity
Parameter values
Develop means to assist operational personnel to detect and manage threats to flight safety
Operational Error Mitigation (OEM) Element

Objective
Develop implementible mitigation strategies aiming at the roots underlying operational errors

Solution/Approach
- Understand human cognitive vulnerabilities in operational contexts using empirical, field and simulation studies.
- Understand operational task demands
- Develop mitigating strategies
- Validate strategies and their implementibility
- Develop cross-operational applications (GA, Rotorcraft, Part 135, Part 121)

Candidate Domains
- Emergency & Abnormal situations
- Procedure development, Certification, Training, Alerts, Electronic checklists
- Automation training
- Interruptions
- Communication
- Concurrent task management
- Flight crew overload
- Decision making under stress

Products
- Guidelines for the development, certification, and training for the evaluation of non-normal procedures
- Conceptual & procedural training textbook
- Effective use of alerts and monitoring in normal/abnormal conditions
- Guidelines toward harmonized procedures, communication that crosses org. and corp. boundaries
- Simulator Display Optimization
- Mitigation strategies for inattentential blindness and change blindness
A Proactive Approach to Error Free Human/Automation Interactions

AvSSP

Threat & Human Error Management

Autoflight System Redesign

Workload to manage multiple tasks reduced during normal ops but increases during Approach and Departure

Design Flaws

Training inadequacies

Automation impedes crews response to an emergency

Time Critical Research Defined Implementation Route
3D Displays
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- Range of aircraft types
- Augment human abilities and minimize human limitations in next-generation NAS environment
- Maintenance of the aging fleet
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Aviation operations combine highly diversified social systems with complex technical systems which often involve a high level of automation and system dependencies. A socio-technical approach links these systems, always considering one in the context of the other.

**Objective**
Develop tools for identifying, evaluating and mitigating socio-technical risk

**Solution/Approach**

**Resolving Safety Culture Barriers**
- Define standard criteria for maintaining a just culture, a reporting culture, and a flexible culture that can learn from its errors.
- Develop guidance and training materials for managing normative risks in compliance-driven systems.
- Build corporate-wide risk models that identifies ground-based pre-cursors to flight operational events.

**Knowledge Management Across Team Boundaries**
- Promote consistent knowledge management in a distributed information system; in which information content (terms, graphics, definitions), is standardized across organizations while serving the needs of each user community (e.g., flight operations, training, safety, maintenance, engineering, 3rd party vendors).
- Support and evaluate the implementation of technologies that enable cross-team collaboration and the use of shared, distributed information systems.
- Harmonize policies and procedures that cross organizational and corporate boundaries and promote one level of safety.

**Products**
- Socio-technical approach, tools and strategies for corporate safety management, linking safety data and corrective actions.
- Methods/metrics for monitoring & maintaining organizational safety culture health.
- Identification and mitigation of corporate-wide at-risk behaviors and noncompliance.
- Tools for managing corporate-wide risks and identifying dependencies between ground and flight operations.
- Industry standards for digital data exchange, and the re-use of shared information across team and task boundaries.
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- New pilot and mx demographics
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Precursor risk assessment - not just past accident and incident data
# Project WBS

## AvSSP Threat & Human Error Management

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Threat and Human Error Management (THEM)

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For Proposed Work
Summary of Approach and Focus

• Blend of revolutionary technologies, as well as retrofit
• Balance from base to revolutionary
• HF will cut across operational issues and equipment systems
• All aircraft types
• Augment human abilities and minimize human limitations in next-generation NAS environment
• Maintenance of the aging fleet
• New pilot demographics
• Precursor risk assessment - not just past accident and incident data
• **Distinct beginnings and endings to projects**
• **Timely delivery of turn-key products to industry customers** (readily incorporate into flight ops at low cost)
• Products throughout course of program
• Quality participation from FAA, DoD, industry, and academia
• Combines ASIST on-going with ASIST previously below-the-line
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**TEM Phase II and SWAP Phase I research areas mapped onto ASIST and CAST recommendations**
Future Aviation Safety Team

Top 20 Areas of Change Affecting Aviation (Prioritized)

🌟 Reliance on flight deck automation
🌟 Emergence of new concepts for airspace management
🌟 Introduction of new technologies with unforeseen human factors aspects
🌟 Proliferation of heterogeneous aircraft with widely-varying equipment and capabilities
🌟 Discrepancies in pace and approach in development and implementation of airborne versus ground-based technology systems
🌟 Increasing number of aviation operations (Capacity)
🌟 Variation of sophistication of hardware and software within an individual aircraft type
🌟 Aging avionics, power-plants, electrical and mechanical systems, and structures
🌟 Lack of qualified maintenance personnel
🌟 Decrease separation standards (Capacity)
🌟 Incentives to outsource aircraft maintenance
🌟 Pressure for standardization of cockpit controls, displays, and automated systems interfaces among aircraft
🌟 Shift in responsibility for collision avoidance from ATC to crew
🌟 Information inequality among aviation system participants in situations requiring shared decision making
🌟 Reliance on active flight controls
🌟 Increasing numbers of aircraft operations at lower altitude and/or in adverse weather conditions
🌟 Maintenance complexity for next generation integrated aircraft
🌟 Discrepancies in the pace and direction of development of ground versus in-flight CNS systems
🌟 Lack of maintenance expertise among operators and outsource providers

TEM Phase II and SWAP Phase I research areas mapped onto FAST recommendations