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00:00:17,670 --> 00:00:15,990
the science instruments can't function

2
00:00:19,429 --> 00:00:17,680
all by themselves they get plugged into

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00:00:21,189 --> 00:00:19,439
the hubble space telescope and there's

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00:00:23,029 --> 00:00:21,199
an entire infrastructure in there that

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00:00:24,070 --> 00:00:23,039
enables them to do the great science

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00:00:26,470 --> 00:00:24,080
that they do

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00:00:27,830 --> 00:00:26,480
and has to work properly in order for

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00:00:30,070 --> 00:00:27,840
any of these instruments to get their

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00:00:31,750 --> 00:00:30,080
science down to the ground we have the

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00:00:33,350 --> 00:00:31,760
opportunity on these servicing missions

11
00:00:35,830 --> 00:00:33,360
not just to upgrade the instruments but

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00:00:38,470 --> 00:00:35,840
also to upgrade that infrastructure

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00:00:40,549 --> 00:00:38,480

hubble has six giant arrows in total

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00:00:42,790 --> 00:00:40,559

and over time they wear out

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00:00:44,549 --> 00:00:42,800

we're down to three working gyros but

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00:00:45,750 --> 00:00:44,559

we're only using two we're keeping one

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00:00:47,990 --> 00:00:45,760

in spare

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00:00:50,069 --> 00:00:48,000

and in the next servicing mission we're

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00:00:52,470 --> 00:00:50,079

going to replace all the gyros that we

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00:00:53,510 --> 00:00:52,480

have full gyro capability for years to

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00:00:56,150 --> 00:00:53,520

come

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00:00:59,430 --> 00:00:56,160

well we have six gyros and what we do is

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00:01:01,270 --> 00:00:59,440

we package two of them into a box with a

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00:01:03,910 --> 00:01:01,280

handle

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00:01:05,509 --> 00:01:03,920

it's not an easy test to replace these

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00:01:08,230 --> 00:01:05,519

these rate sensor units these three

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00:01:10,950 --> 00:01:08,240

boxes the star trackers have these long

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00:01:14,070 --> 00:01:10,960

tubes on them called sun shades so when

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00:01:15,910 --> 00:01:14,080

the astronauts have to replace the gyros

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00:01:19,030 --> 00:01:15,920

they have to sort of wedge themselves

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00:01:26,310 --> 00:01:19,040

into this very small area without

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00:01:30,789 --> 00:01:28,630

gyros help us in two ways when we move

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00:01:33,670 --> 00:01:30,799

from target to target the gyros help the

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00:01:36,069 --> 00:01:33,680

computer know how quickly we're turning

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00:01:39,030 --> 00:01:36,079

once we get locked in on a target those

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00:01:41,109 --> 00:01:39,040

gyros help us steady the vehicle so that

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00:01:45,830 --> 00:01:41,119

we can collect all that scientific data

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00:01:49,030 --> 00:01:47,429

we're going to put in a new fine

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00:01:51,670 --> 00:01:49,040

guidance sensor

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00:01:53,510 --> 00:01:51,680

to take the place of one that has shown

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00:01:55,429 --> 00:01:53,520

evidence of

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00:01:56,950 --> 00:01:55,439

failing and not not being long for this

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00:01:59,270 --> 00:01:56,960

world

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00:02:02,310 --> 00:01:59,280

well defined guidance sensors actually

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00:02:04,870 --> 00:02:02,320

are the components that find the

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00:02:07,990 --> 00:02:04,880

particular observation and they pick two

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00:02:10,869 --> 00:02:08,000

guide stars very close to what is being

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00:02:13,670 --> 00:02:10,879

observed and fine guidance sensors then

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00:02:15,589 --> 00:02:13,680

zero in on those guide stars they lock

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00:02:17,670 --> 00:02:15,599

in on them and now you know you're

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00:02:20,470 --> 00:02:17,680
pointing in the right place in the sky

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00:02:23,190 --> 00:02:20,480
and then it transfers over to the rate

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00:02:28,470 --> 00:02:23,200
sensor units the gyroscopes to hold

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00:02:31,270 --> 00:02:29,430
when you're working with the hubble

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00:02:34,150 --> 00:02:31,280
space telescope program anything can

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00:02:35,910 --> 00:02:34,160
happen and in fact just a few weeks

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00:02:37,350 --> 00:02:35,920
before we were scheduled to launch back

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00:02:39,910 --> 00:02:37,360
in october

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00:02:40,949 --> 00:02:39,920
the data handling system the sic and dh

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00:02:43,830 --> 00:02:40,959
went down

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00:02:46,229 --> 00:02:43,840
the sic date it is critical to the

62
00:02:48,150 --> 00:02:46,239
hubble space telescope because without

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00:02:50,949 --> 00:02:48,160

it you have no telescope you have no

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00:02:52,949 --> 00:02:50,959

science information nasa administration

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00:02:55,030 --> 00:02:52,959

decided that it would be worth it to

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00:02:56,869 --> 00:02:55,040

postpone the servicing mission so that

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00:02:59,110 --> 00:02:56,879

we could get the flight spare

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00:03:01,750 --> 00:02:59,120

and test and verify it and replace it on

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00:03:04,550 --> 00:03:01,760

the servicing mission the sic dh

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00:03:06,710 --> 00:03:04,560

function is to take the data from the

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00:03:08,470 --> 00:03:06,720

science instruments and

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00:03:11,750 --> 00:03:08,480

it formats it

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00:03:13,430 --> 00:03:11,760

it puts it in a command sequence that is

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00:03:16,710 --> 00:03:13,440

then transmitted to the ground and then

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00:03:18,470 --> 00:03:16,720

deciphered back on the ground

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00:03:21,589 --> 00:03:18,480

without it you have no science

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00:03:22,630 --> 00:03:21,599

information and by putting a

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00:03:24,550 --> 00:03:22,640

new

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00:03:26,470 --> 00:03:24,560

sic day check up there you gain the

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00:03:30,869 --> 00:03:26,480

redundancy back and you're not one

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00:03:34,949 --> 00:03:33,670

the soft capture mechanism is a device

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00:03:37,030 --> 00:03:34,959

that we're putting on the bottom of the

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00:03:38,869 --> 00:03:37,040

telescope

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00:03:41,190 --> 00:03:38,879

we're going to convert hubble from a

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00:03:43,190 --> 00:03:41,200

shuttle interface which grabs with some

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00:03:44,070 --> 00:03:43,200

last three latches on the bottom of

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00:03:46,229 --> 00:03:44,080

hubble

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00:03:48,470 --> 00:03:46,239

to an exploration interface because

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00:03:50,149 --> 00:03:48,480

we're using a similar interface that our

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00:03:52,789 --> 00:03:50,159

exploration program is using for the

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00:03:54,710 --> 00:03:52,799

orion capsule

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00:03:56,149 --> 00:03:54,720

so in five minutes we'll convert from a

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00:03:57,910 --> 00:03:56,159

shuttle-based

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00:03:59,990 --> 00:03:57,920

architecture to an exploration-based

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00:04:01,990 --> 00:04:00,000

architecture for hubble that will enable

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00:04:04,229 --> 00:04:02,000

sometime in the future for us to dock

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00:04:05,990 --> 00:04:04,239

another spacecraft not the space shuttle

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00:04:07,750 --> 00:04:06,000

to the hubble

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00:04:09,990 --> 00:04:07,760

for the purpose of making sure that at

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00:04:15,990 --> 00:04:10,000

some point at its end of life

101
00:04:20,310 --> 00:04:18,310
the batteries we're operating on are the

102
00:04:23,990 --> 00:04:20,320
original batteries that were launched

103
00:04:27,030 --> 00:04:24,000
with the observatory in 1990

104
00:04:30,310 --> 00:04:27,040
the design life span was five years

105
00:04:31,189 --> 00:04:30,320
so these batteries are operating well

106
00:04:33,350 --> 00:04:31,199
past

107
00:04:35,030 --> 00:04:33,360
what they were designed for

108
00:04:37,670 --> 00:04:35,040
it's time to change them out we are

109
00:04:41,189 --> 00:04:37,680
losing capacity

110
00:04:43,990 --> 00:04:41,199
we're installing six new batteries

111
00:04:58,150 --> 00:04:44,000
arranged in two modules of three packs

112
00:05:03,909 --> 00:05:01,189
we're going to install a new outer

113
00:05:06,629 --> 00:05:03,919

blanket layer called a noble which is a

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00:05:08,310 --> 00:05:06,639

solid it's not a blanket anymore it's a

115

00:05:11,110 --> 00:05:08,320

solid sheet

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00:05:13,990 --> 00:05:11,120

we designed a new outer blanket layer

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00:05:17,029 --> 00:05:14,000

that can either lay on top of the

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00:05:19,029 --> 00:05:17,039

degraded blankets just cover them up or

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00:05:20,870 --> 00:05:19,039

we will take off the blanket in order to

120

00:05:24,629 --> 00:05:20,880

install a new radiator against the bay

121

00:05:26,469 --> 00:05:24,639

door and this is a very

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00:05:27,990 --> 00:05:26,479

weather resistant new outer blanket

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00:05:29,510 --> 00:05:28,000

layer that we have designed so it should

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00:05:31,990 --> 00:05:29,520

not degrade

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00:05:34,950 --> 00:05:32,000

appreciably for the next

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00:05:36,870 --> 00:05:34,960

15-20 years

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00:05:38,710 --> 00:05:36,880

so at the end of this servicing mission

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00:05:41,270 --> 00:05:38,720

where we've installed new cameras and

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00:05:42,710 --> 00:05:41,280

upgraded all of this infrastructure

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00:05:44,710 --> 00:05:42,720

the whole point of this is that the

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00:05:46,550 --> 00:05:44,720

hubble space telescope will be better

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00:05:48,629 --> 00:05:46,560

than it's ever been in its history and

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00:05:51,110 --> 00:05:48,639

will continue to produce this this