

Opportunity Title: Sonification of Spacecraft Data from the Heliophysics Systems Observatory

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Organization National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

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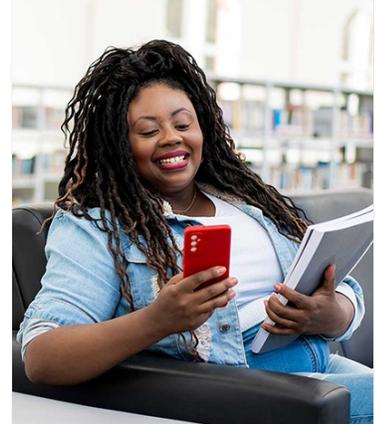
Description:

One of the key scientific objectives of NASA's Heliophysics division is to understand the fundamental physical processes that govern the nature of energy transfer from the Sun to the Earth. The increasingly large amount of spacecraft data now available from any Heliophysics Systems Observatory (HSO) mission, such as -- Parker Solar Probe, Solar Orbiter, WIND, MMS, CLUSTER, and THEMIS -- highlights a need to inspect data in novel ways. Spacecraft data sonification is a method of mapping data to sound, as an auditory equivalent to data visualization. The range of human hearing spans 12 orders of magnitude greater in frequency than human vision spans in wavelength. The enhanced nonlinearity of human hearing also enables increased perception of pitch and other dynamical waveform changes that could not be visually identified. Modern signal processing methods and software from audio engineering traditionally applied to music can also be applied to spacecraft time series data. To assess the fundamental process governing our universe, it is useful to characterize the similarities and differences of sounds in each heliospheric regime. What can we learn from "hearing" the nature of energy transfer the Sun to Earth? In addition to scientific advantages, data sonification is a highly effective mechanism for accessibility and outreach. How can we best share data from the HSO to a wider audience so that the nature of energy transfer can be perceived by all?

Field of Science: Heliophysics

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Eligibility Requirements • **Degree:** Doctoral Degree.