



PETBOX: FLIGHT QUALIFIED TOOLS FOR ATMOSPHERIC FLIGHT

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Introduction and presentation objectives

- The Planetary Entry Toolbox (PETbox) is a set of multiple SW modules developed by DEIMOS Space S.L.U. to support Mission Engineering and Flight Mechanics in the area of **Atmospheric Flight**.
- PETbox has been intensively and successfully used in multiple ESA projects, EU projects, and private initiatives covering a **very wide range** of vehicles (launchers, lifting bodies, capsules, UAVs, winged bodies, hypersonic transport vehicles, space debris...) in multiple environments (Earth, Mars, Titan) and in multiple flight phases (launch, coasting, entry, descent, landing, sustained flight).
- Practical **examples of use** and key applications in multiple projects are presented with special emphasis on the use of PETbox in the current ExoMars program (2016 and 2018 missions) and in the recent Intermediate eXperimental Vehicle (IXV) that successfully flew on February 11th, 2015.

Selected DEIMOS Space S.L.U. projects in the area of Atmospheric Flight

PETbox applications examples, selected projects:

- EXOMARS: 2016 and 2018 scenarios, Coasting, Entry, Descent and Landing design and analysis in support to system prime TAS-I (ESA contract)
- MREP: Design of EDL and GNC for a network of Small Mars Landers. (ESA prime contract)
- IXV: End to end (launch to splashdown) Mission Analysis in support to system prime TAS-I (ESA contract).
- D4D: Design for Demise. Identification and analysis of a set of S/C design techniques to reduce the re-entry debris casualty risk. (ESA prime contract)
- HYPMOCES: Hypersonic Morphing for a Cabin Escape System. Project coordinator with responsibility on Mission Analysis and GNC. (EU commission, FP7 contract)
- PERIGEO: Project coordinator. Multidisciplinary Design Optimization (MDO) and flight tests on Earth of UAVs designed for the exploration of Titan. (CDTI, Spain contract).





ATMOSPHERIC FLIGHT MISSION ENGINEERING

VEHICLE DESIGN	SHAPE DESIGN CONFIGURATION DESIGN SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS
AEROTHERMODYNAMICS	DATABASE CREATION DATABASE INSPECTION DATABASE ANALYSIS
FLYING QUALITIES	TRIM STABILITY, CONTROLLABILITY GNC SPECIFICATIONS
GUIDANCE	DESIGN PROTOTYPES FUNCTIONAL VERIFICATION
TRAJECTORIES	MODELLING END TO END SIMULATIONS OPTIMIZATION ANALYSIS FLIGHT PREDICTIONS
SIZING CONDITIONS	PERFORMANCE & MARGINS V. SPECIFICATIONS FOR SYS&S/S CORRELATION ANALYSIS
VISIBILITY	FIXED/MOBILE GS GPS BETWEEN SPACECRAFTS
SAFETY	FOOTPRINT DEBRIS SURVIVAB. AND RISK S/C SEPARATION
POST FLIGHT ANALYSIS	TRAJECTORY RECONSTRUCTION DATA FUSION ANALYSIS



Planetary Entry Toolbox (PETbox)

PETbox Design Structure Matrix

 : Inputs (Columns)
 : Outputs (Rows)

User	x	Analysis modes					Analysis types						
x	PETbox	x	x	x	x	x							
		Nominal					X	X	X	X	X		
			Optimizer					X		X		X	
				WC / Grid			X	X	X	X		X	
					Covariance				X			X	
						Monte Carlo	X		X	X		X	
							Environment	X	X	X		X	X
								Vehicle design	X	X		X	X
									AEDB / ATDB	X		X	X
										Flying Qualities		X	X
											Traj. simulation	X	X
x													Postpro Tools

Modularity

Common functions and models library

User configurable I/O

Reliability and reusability

SVN repository

XML interface

Exo-atmospheric Design & Analysis:

- Simulation of 3DOF/6DOF trajectories (orbital coasting phase)
- Design of De-orbiting phase and EIP targeting

Endo-atmospheric **Open Loop** Design & Analysis:

- Simulation of 3DOF/6DOF trajectories
- Entry, descent, approach and landing phases
- Main application: re-entry vehicles

Endo-atmospheric **Closed Loop** Analysis & Design:

- Ascent, Entry, Descent, Approach and Landing phases
- Guided Re-entry Approach for generating entry trajectories
- Simulation of 3DOF controlled entry trajectories
- Test bench for 6DOF GNC analysis

EndoSim can be used in any of the PETbox analysis modes:

- Nominal, Optimizer, WC/grid, Covariance, Monte Carlo

Common core simulation module for multiple analysis:

- Statistics, Sizing Conditions, Safety, Visibility, Debris...

Selected examples of use of PETbox in Atmospheric Flight / Mission Engineering Areas



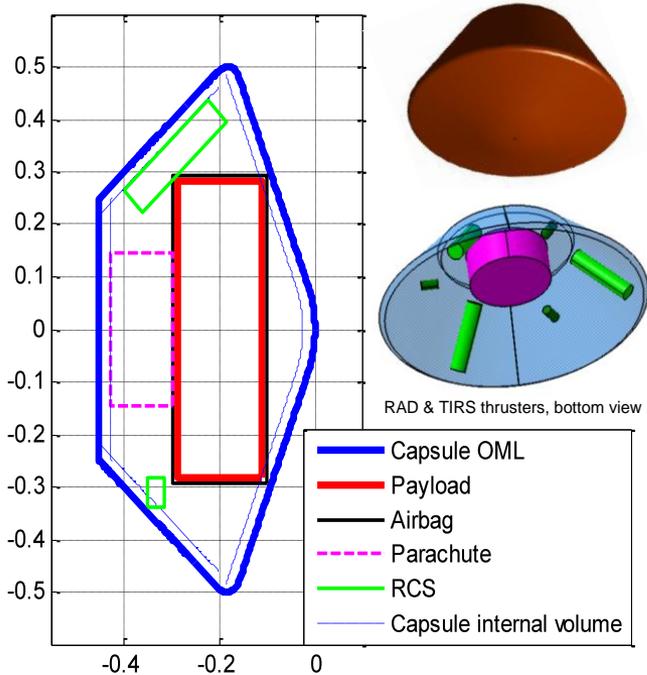
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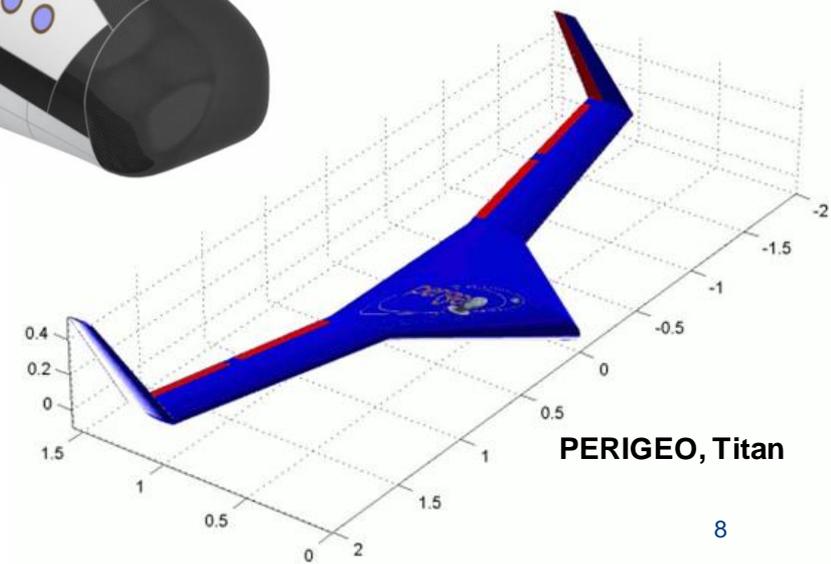
Examples:

- EDL/GNC Design of Small Mars Landers (ESA)
- Hypersonic Morphing for a Cabin Escape System (EU)
- UAV for Titan Exploration (PERIGEO, CDTI)

SLEDLGNC, Mars (MER-like)



HYPMOCES, Earth



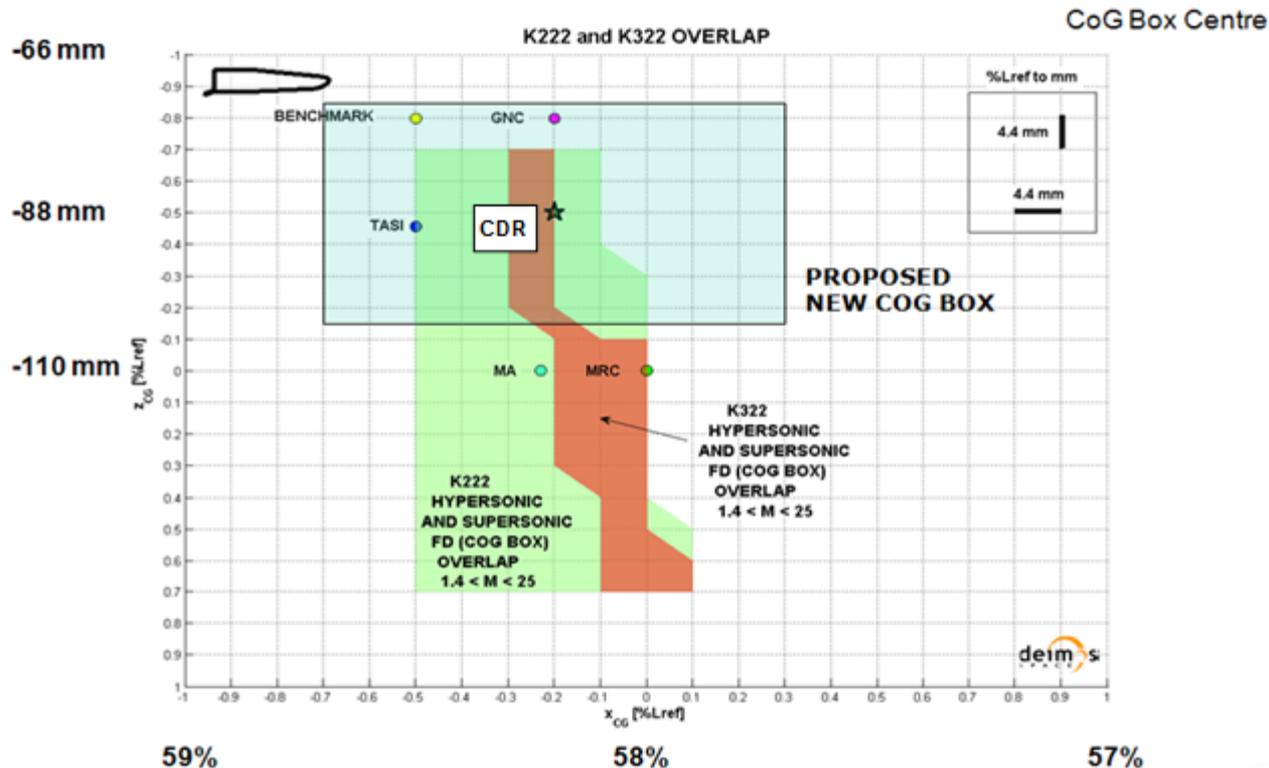
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- IXV Centre of Gravity Specification (ESA)

IXV, Feasible Domain

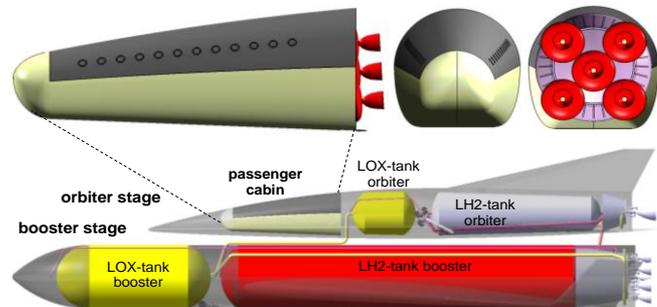
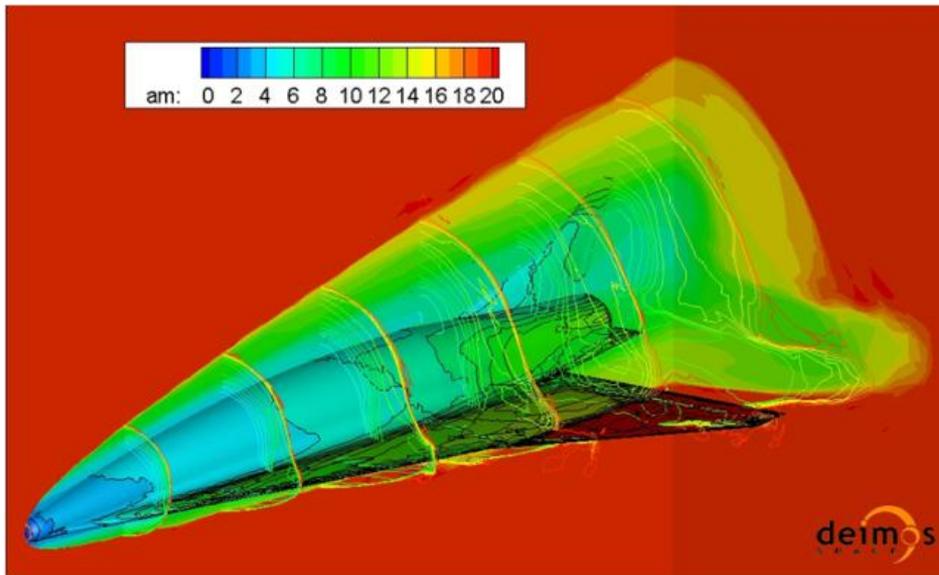


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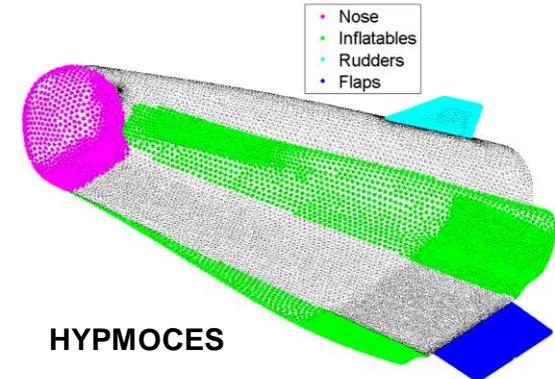
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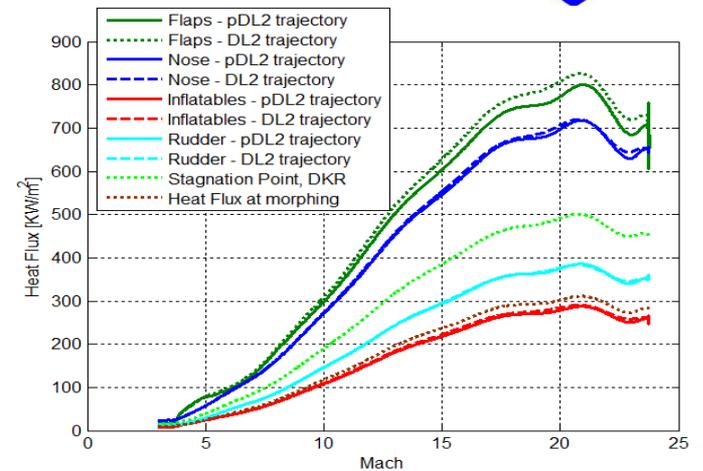
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- ATDB for HYPMOCES (EU)



**FAST20XX
Spaceliner**



HYPMOCES



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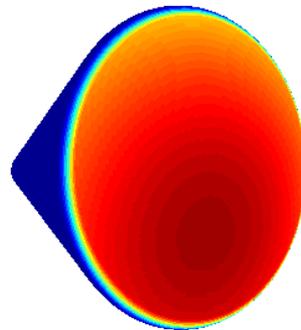
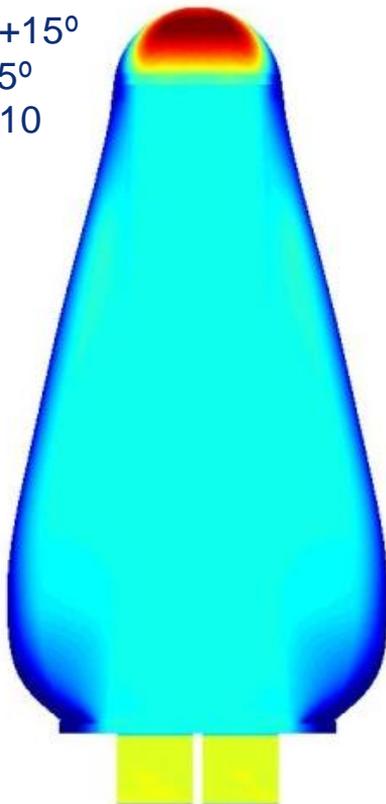
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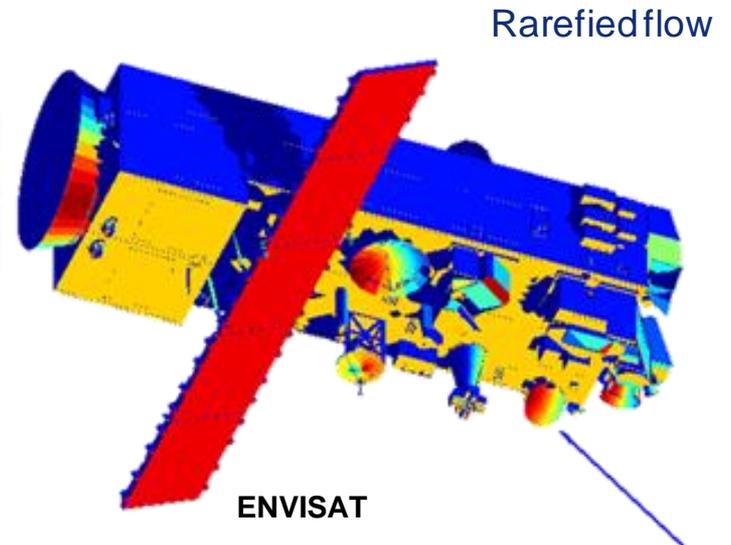
HYPMOCES

Flaps = +15°
AoA = 35°
Mach = 10



APOLLO

AoA = 20°
Mach = 20

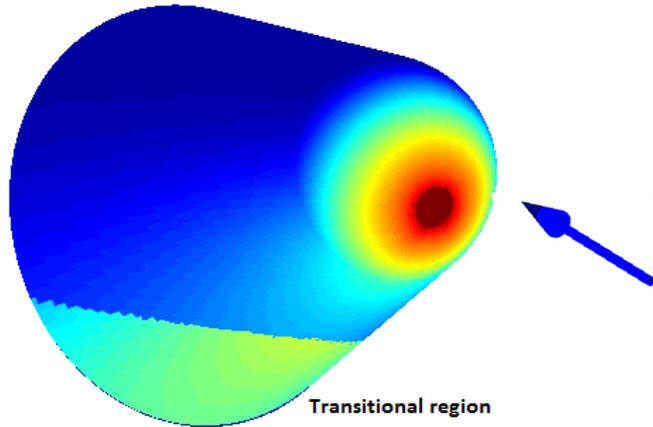


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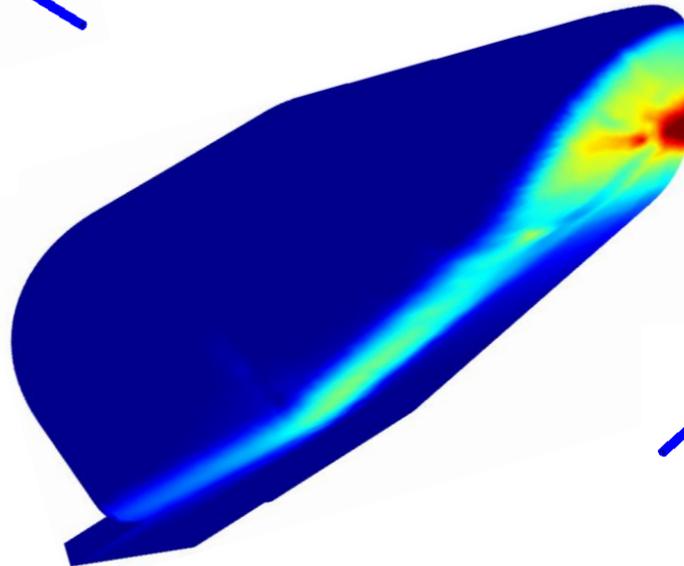
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- Hypersonic Aerothermodynamics Database Estimation (HADES: q_{dot} distribution on Blunted Bodies / IXV / Debris, Internal/ESA)

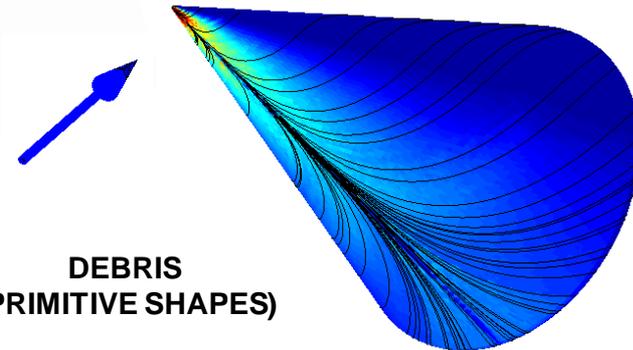


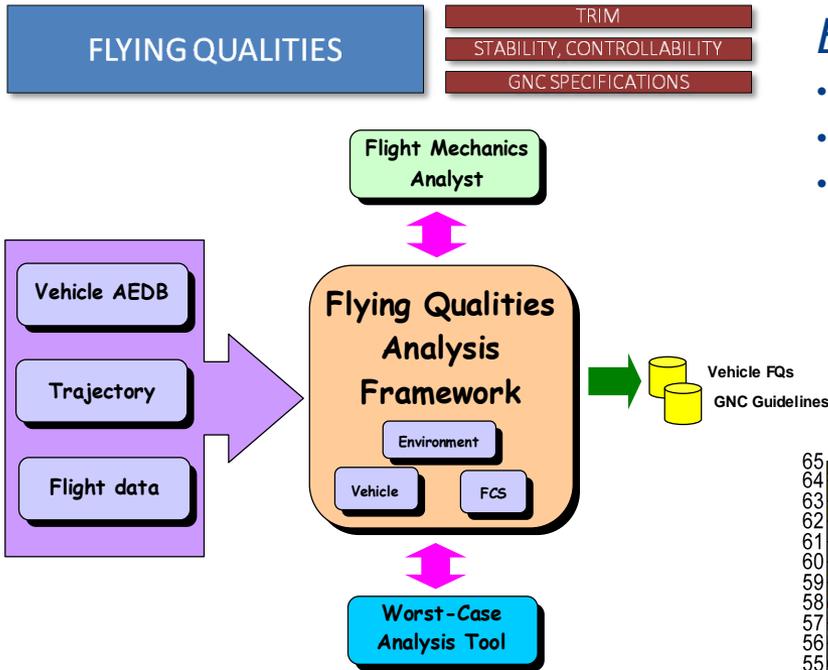
BLUNTED BODIES

IXV



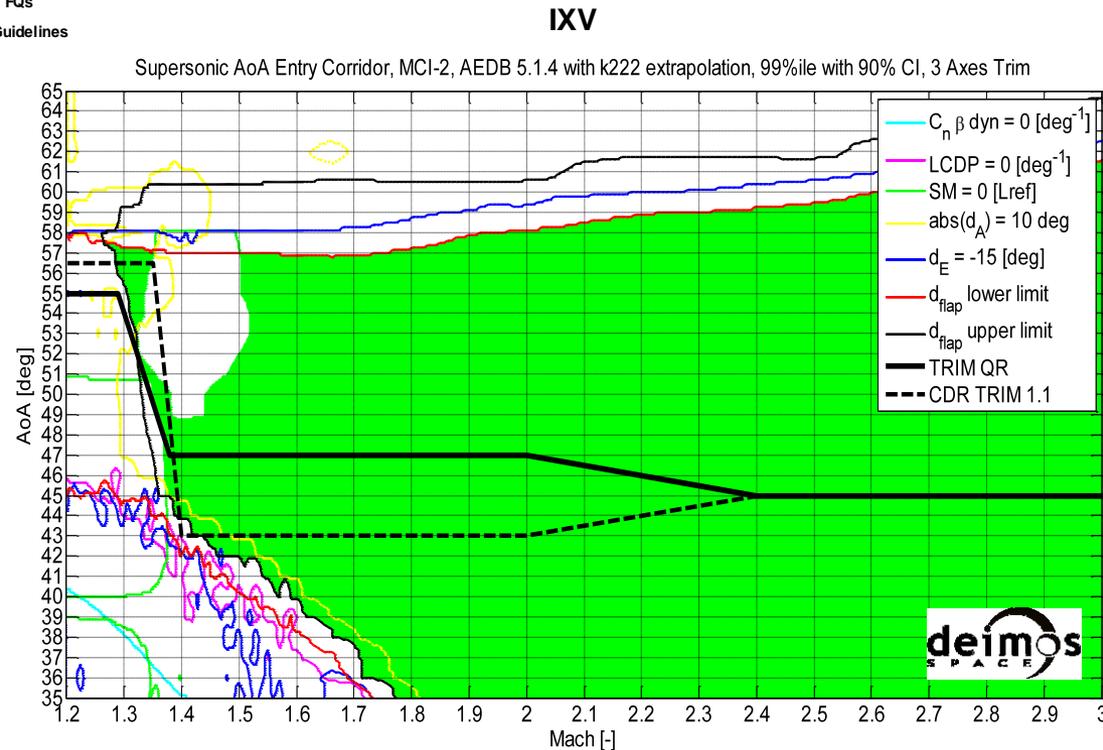
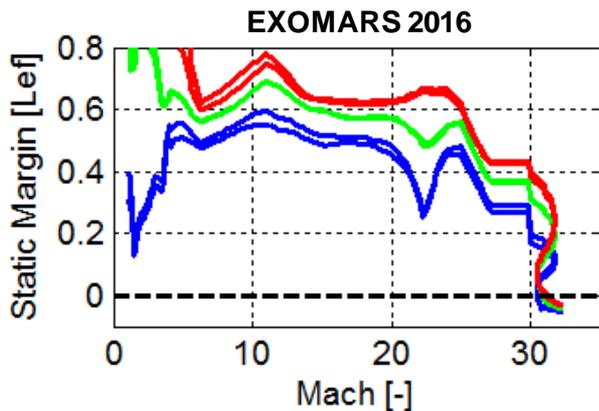
DEBRIS
(PRIMITIVE SHAPES)





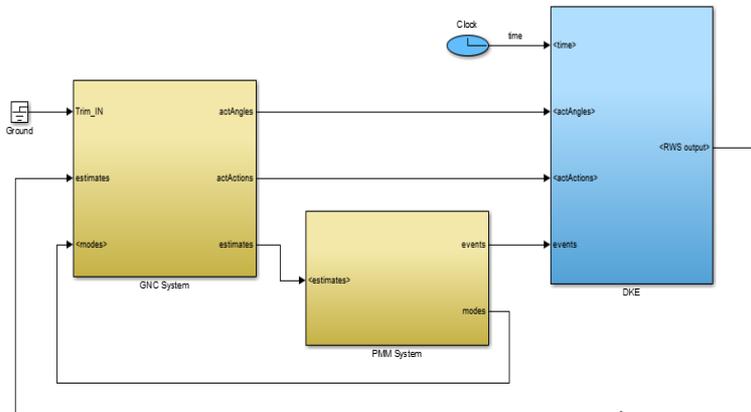
Examples:

- Flying Qualities Analysis Tool (ESA)
- ExoMars2016 Descent Module Long. Stability (ESA)
- IXV Entry Corridor Analysis (trim, stability, controllability) for the Trim Line design flown by the vehicle (ESA)





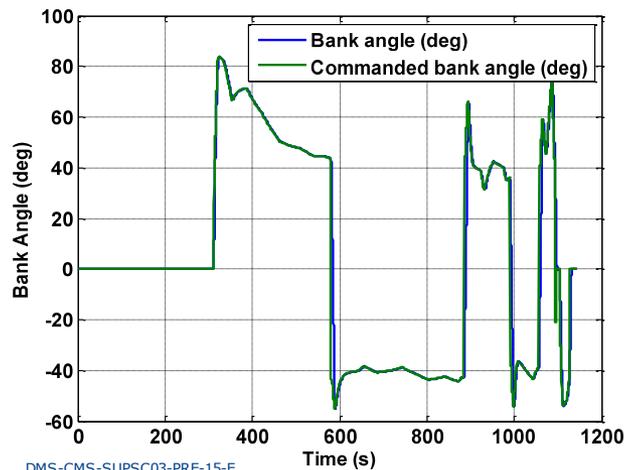
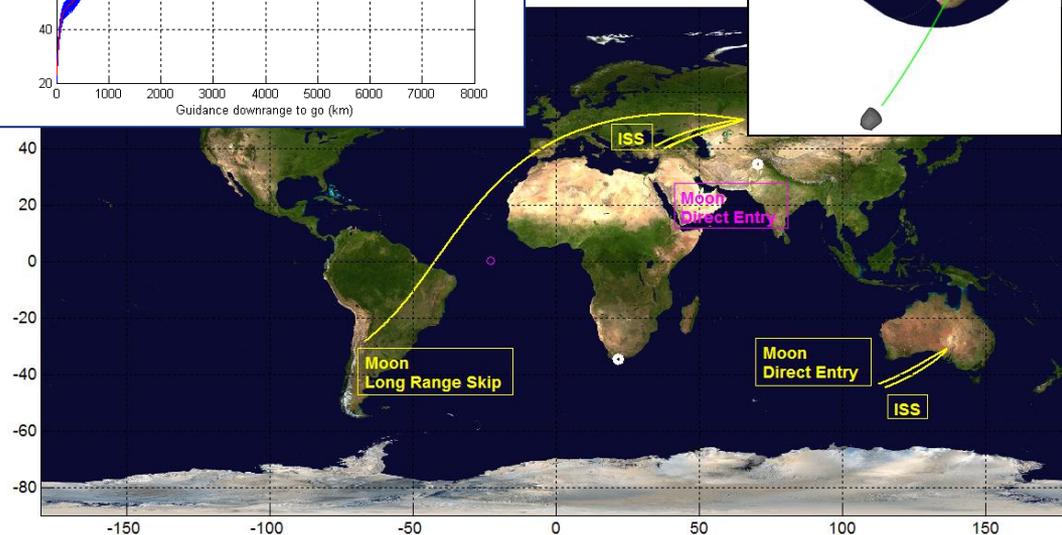
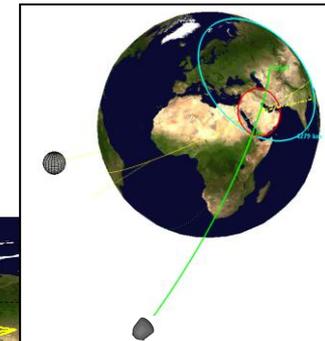
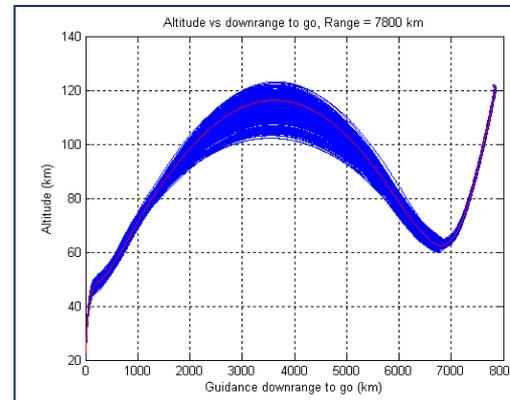
IXV guidance prototyping



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- Skip entry guidance for exploration missions return capsule (CSTS, CSTE, BLAST)

CSTE Moon return targeting and direct/skip entry guidance



GUIDANCE

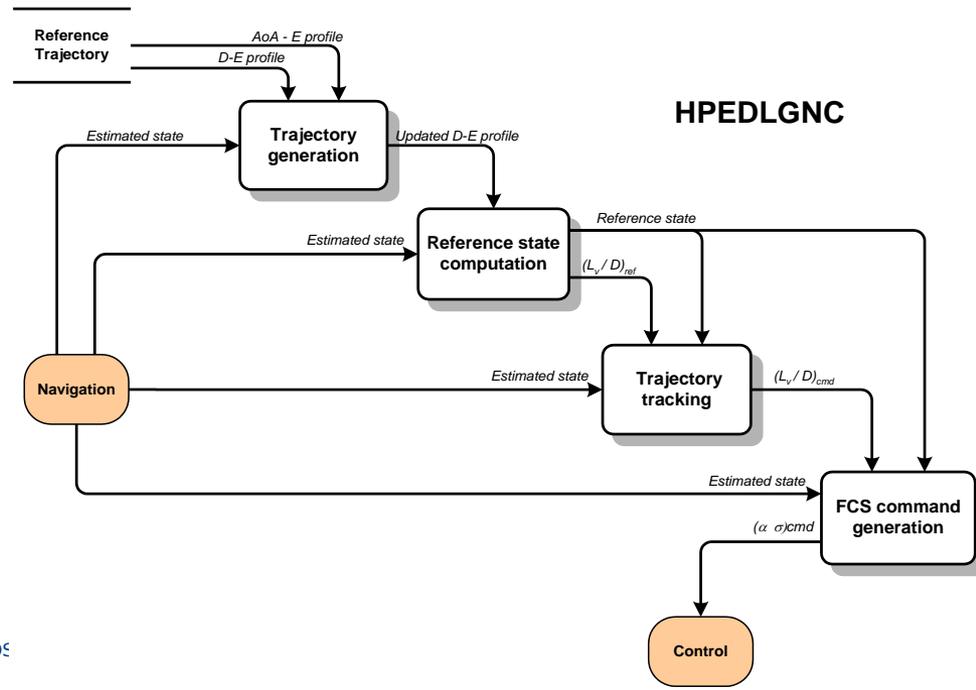
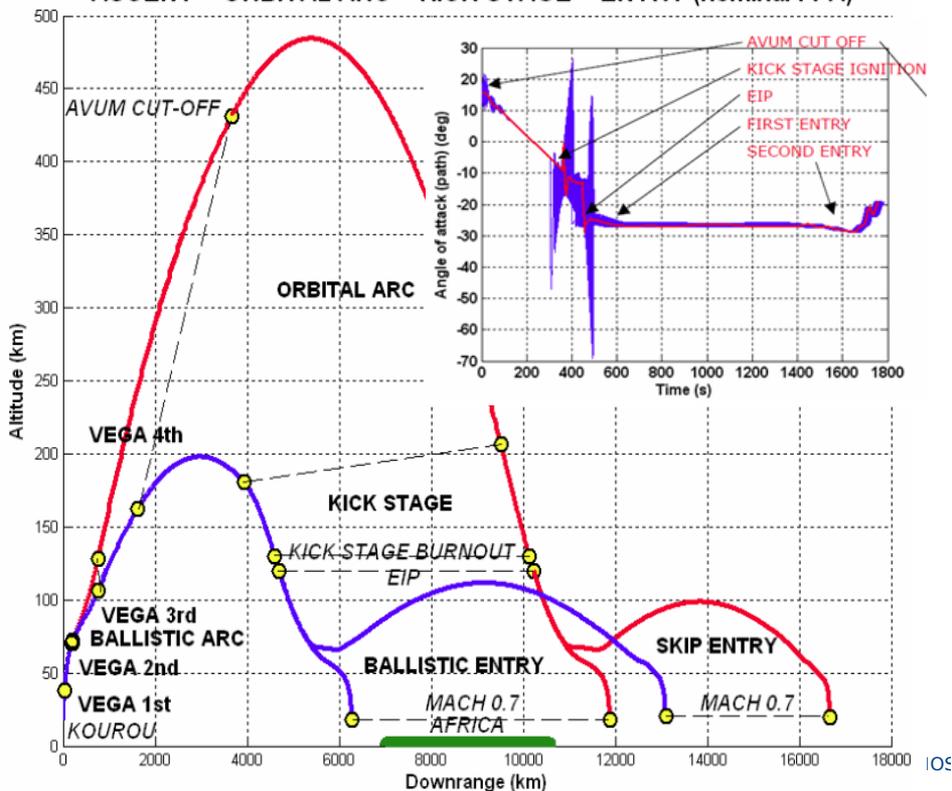
- DESIGN
- PROTOTYPES
- FUNCTIONAL VERIFICATION

Examples:

- IXV entry guidance design and prototyping
- Skip entry guidance for exploration missions return capsule (CSTS, CSTE, BLAST)
- Guidance prototyping for several scenarios/phases:
 - Exo-atmospheric TVC (BLAST)
 - Earth**, entry guidance for capsules, lifting bodies, space planes (ARV, BLAST, IXV, HILIFT, FAST20XX)
 - Mars** entry guidance for precise landing (HPEDLGNC)

BLAST

ASCENT + ORBITAL ARC + KICK STAGE + ENTRY (nominal FPA)



TRAJECTORIES

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- END TO END SIMULATIONS
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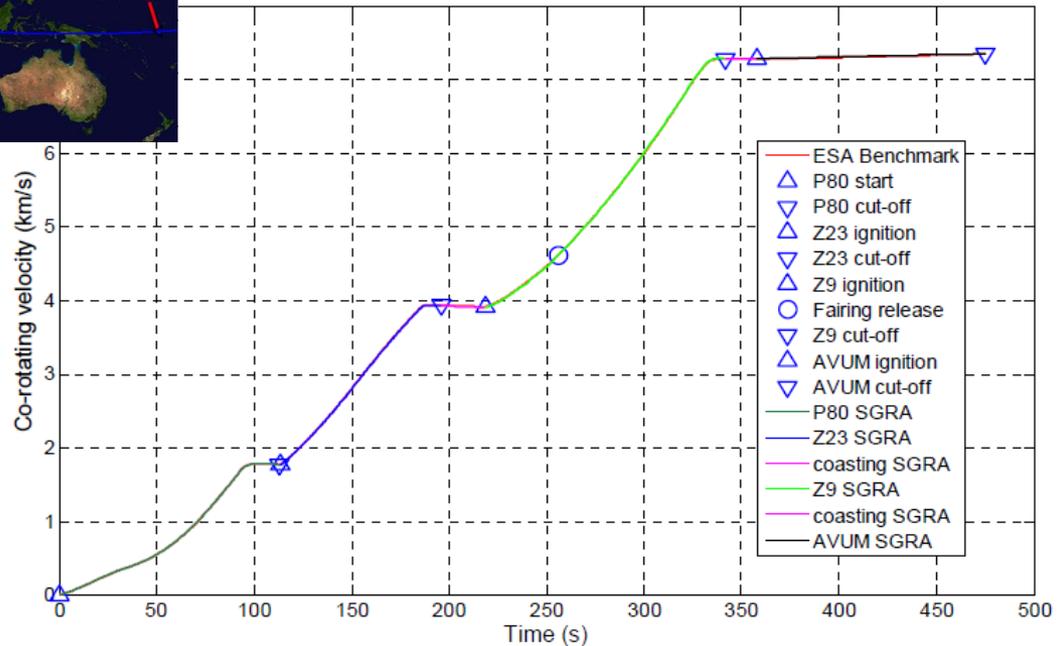
Examples:

- IXV E2E (Launch to Splashdown) simulations (ESA)

3DoF / 6DoF modelling capability
with closed loop GNC



Example of trajectory optimization of the VEGA launcher with SGRA



IXV



Credits: ESA



TRAJECTORIES (5/9)

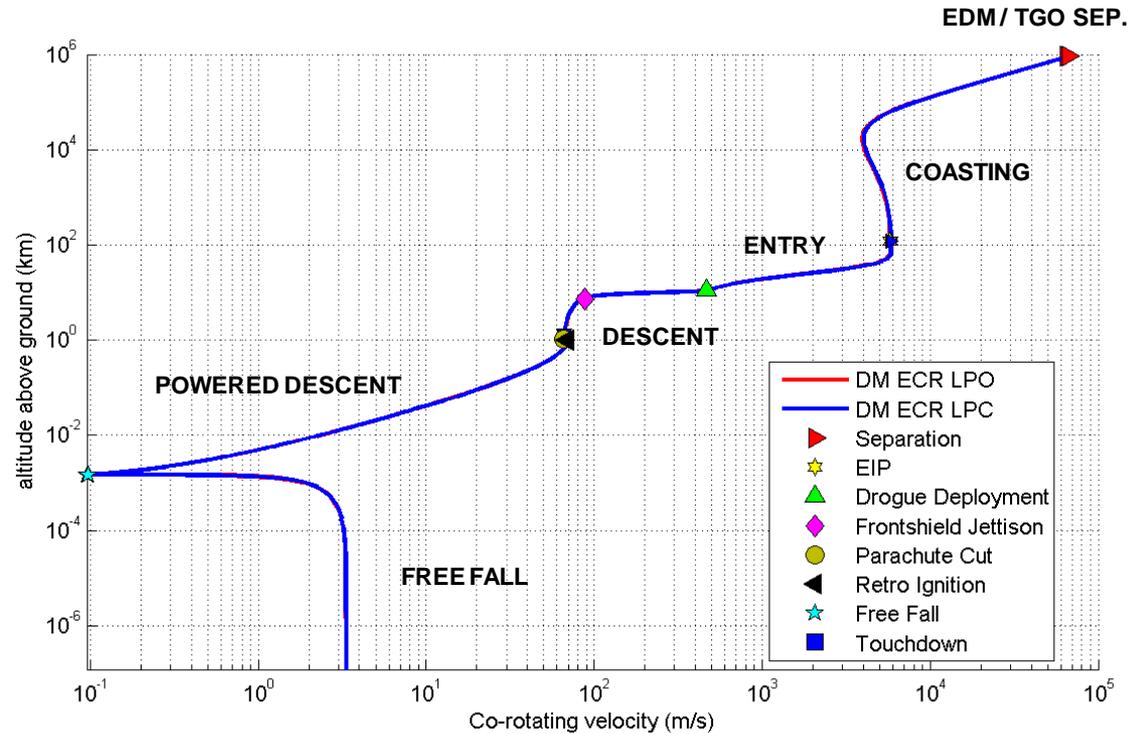
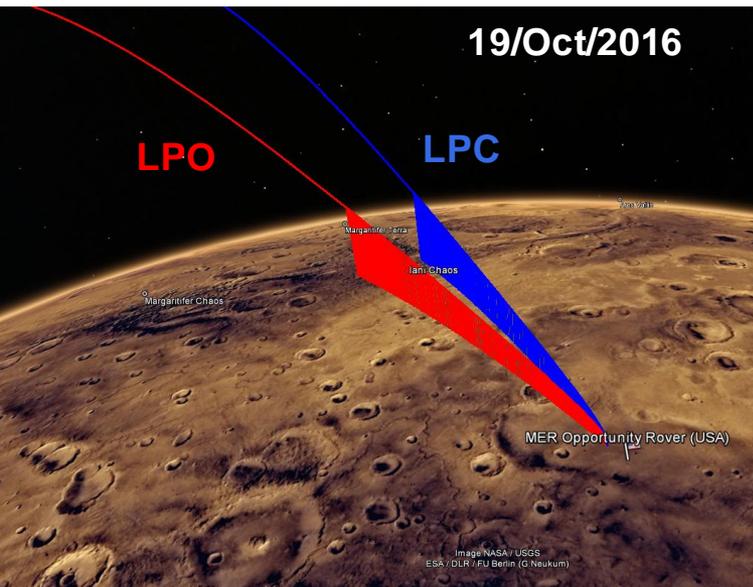
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EXOMARS 2016 EDL

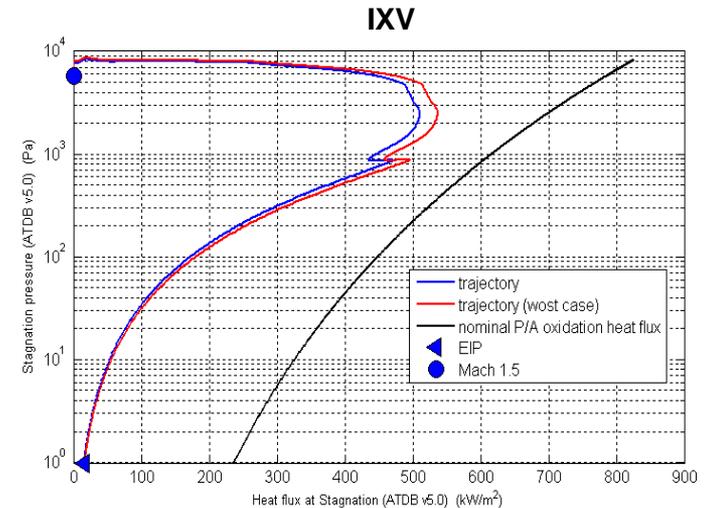
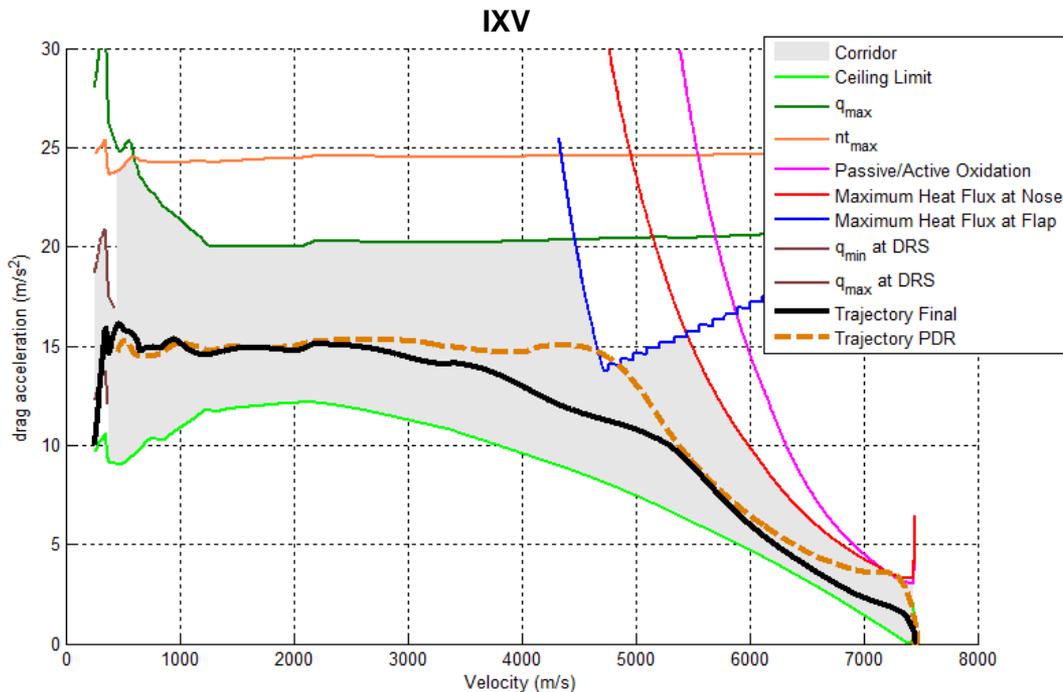


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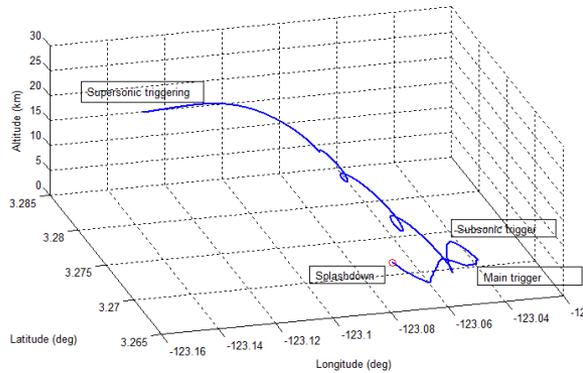
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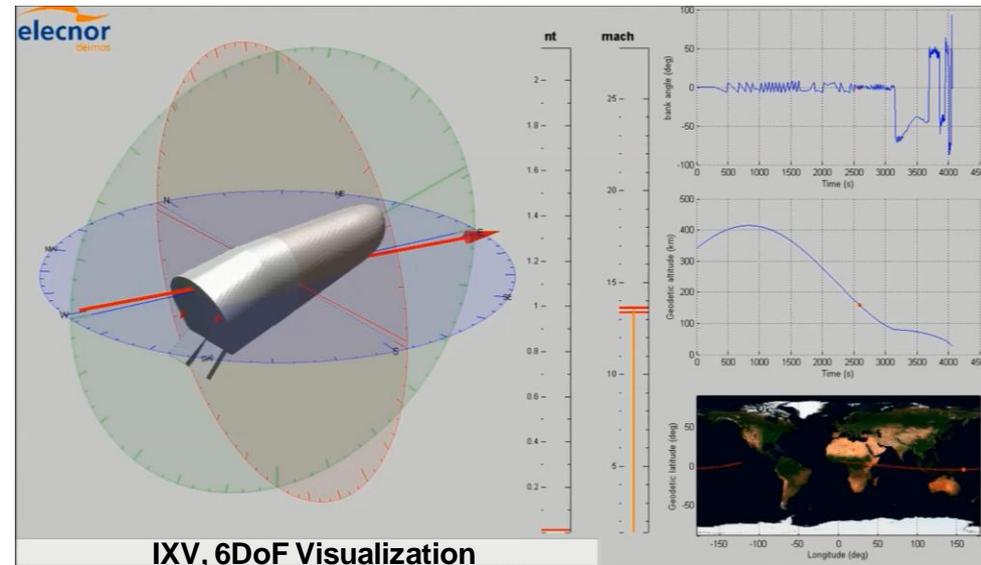
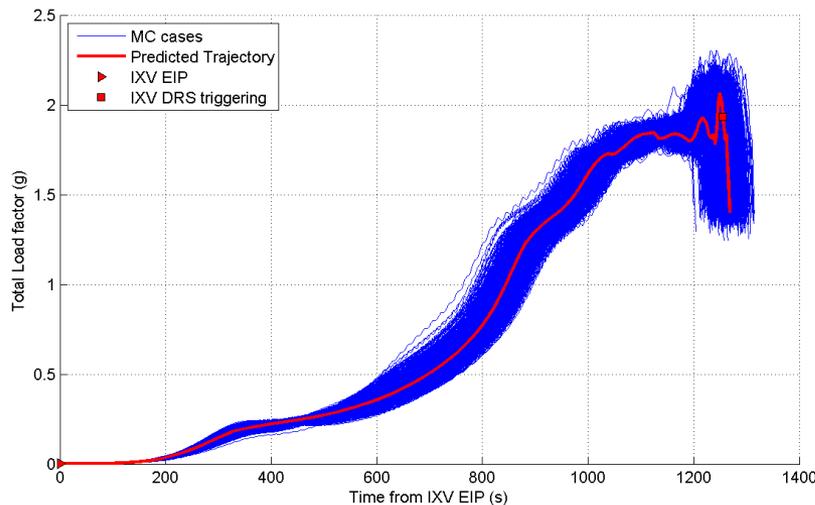


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- IXV flight predictions (ESA)



IXV



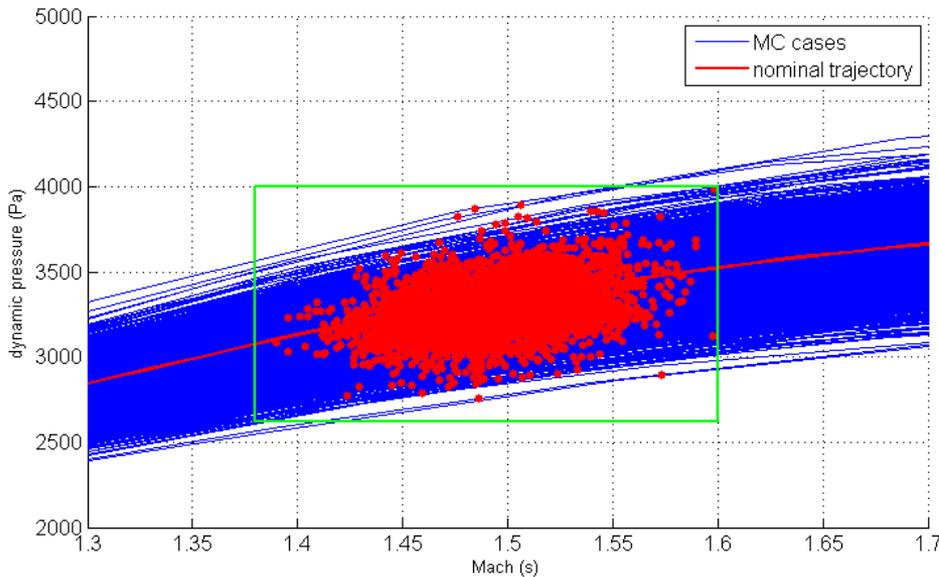
IXV, 6DoF Visualization

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- SPECIFICATIONS FOR SYS&S/S
- CORRELATION ANALYSIS

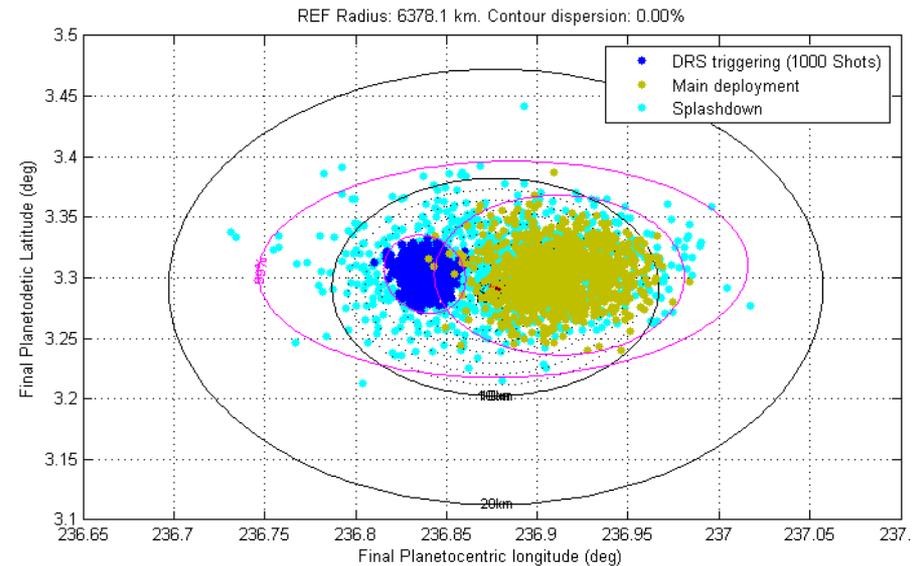
Examples:

- IXV parachute deployment & Landing Accuracy (ESA)



IXV, Mach vs Dynamic Pressure box

IXV, Position Accuracy



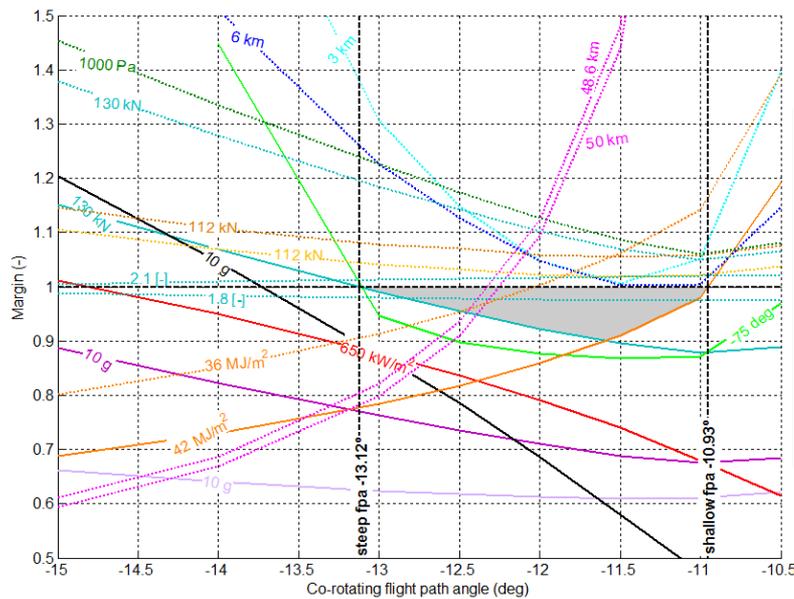
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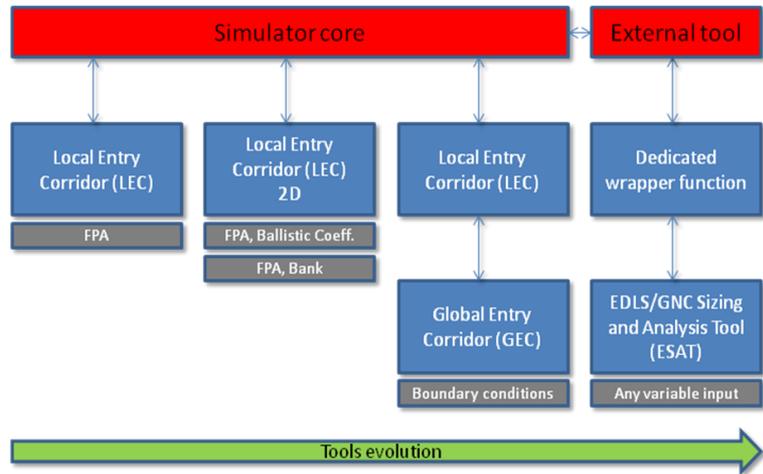
Examples:

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- LEC (Exomars2018) / GEC (MarsNEXT) (ESA)

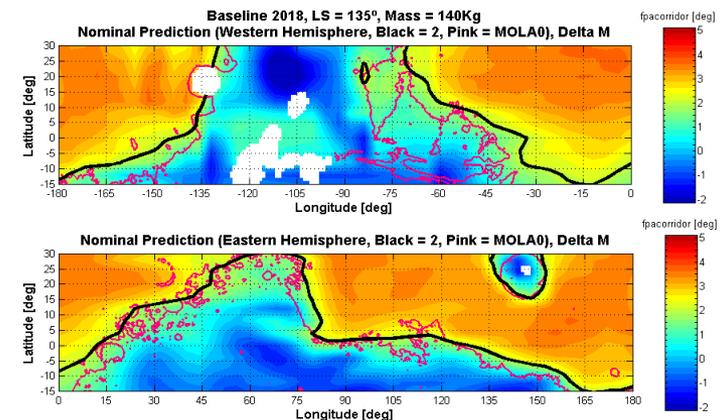
Local Entry Corridor (LEC), EXOMARS 2018



— max inflation force max inflation force (WC)
— max load factor at full inflation (DGB) max inflation force (main parachute) (WC)
— max load factor at full inflation (main) max inflation force (main parachute)
— max load factor min mach at drogue deployment
— max pitch at reference altitude max dynamic pressure deployment
— max total heat flux landing accuracy
— max total heat load max mach at drogue deployment
..... min altitude at FSJ max total heat load
..... min altitude deployment entry corridor



Global Entry Corridor (GEC) MarsNEXT



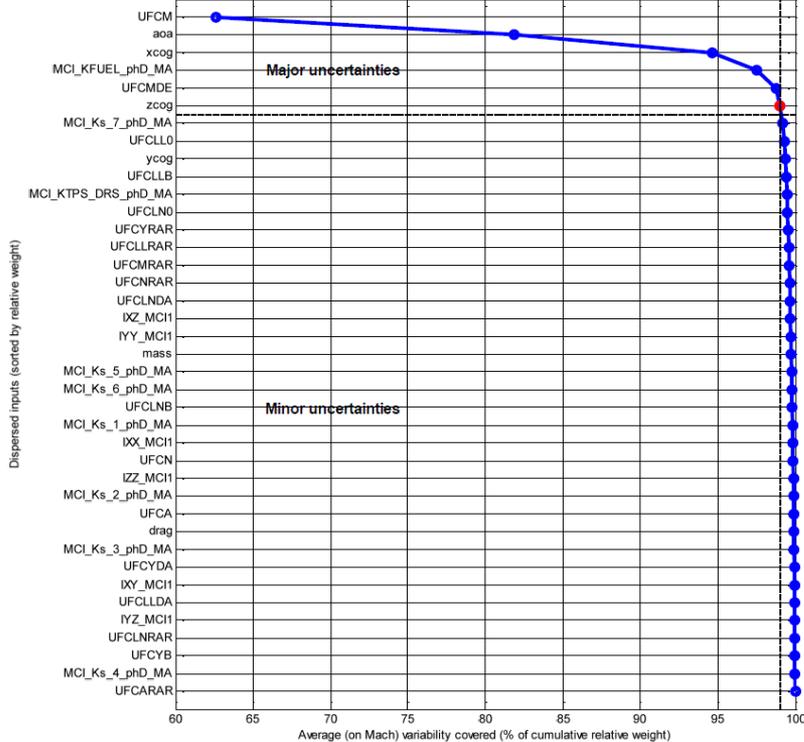
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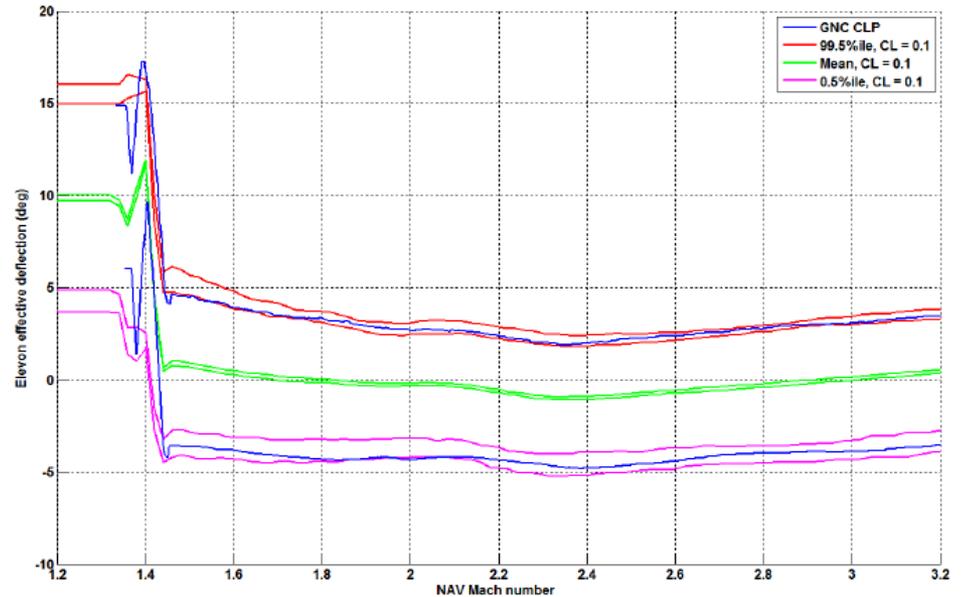
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- Correlation Analysis (Worst Cases for IXV GNC) (ESA)

d_e : Minimum number of dispersed inputs = 6/39 (total relative weight = 99%)



IXV, elevators deflection WCs identification and GNC verification

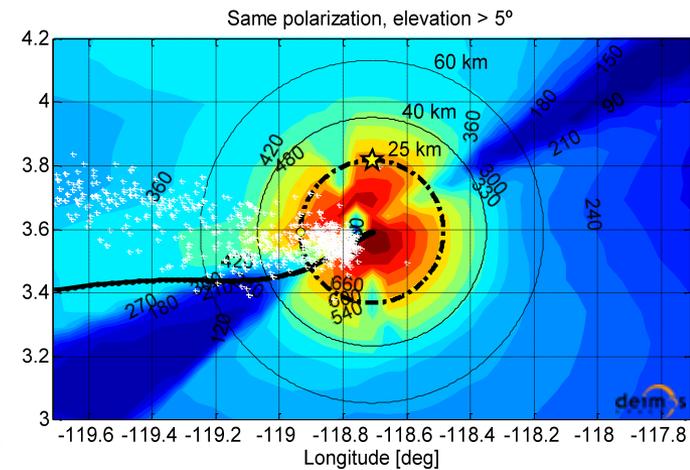
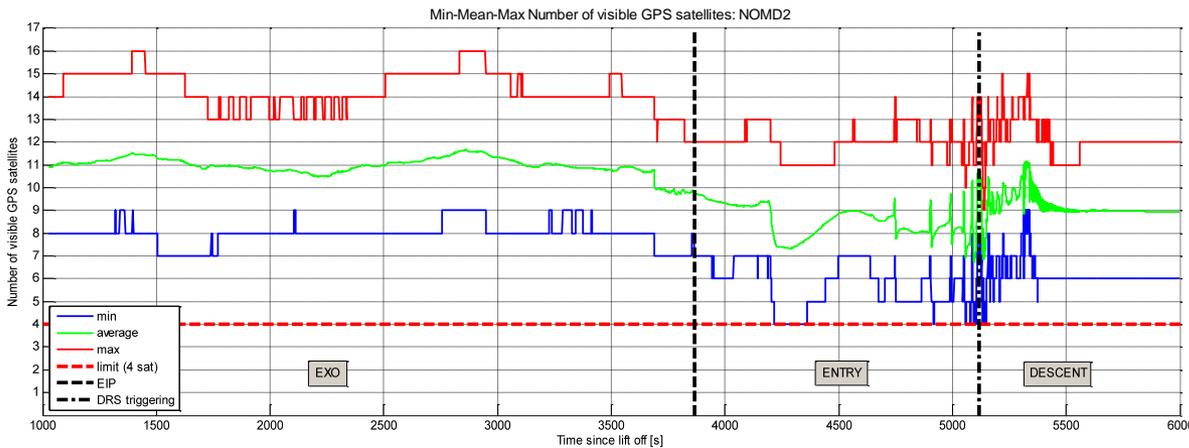
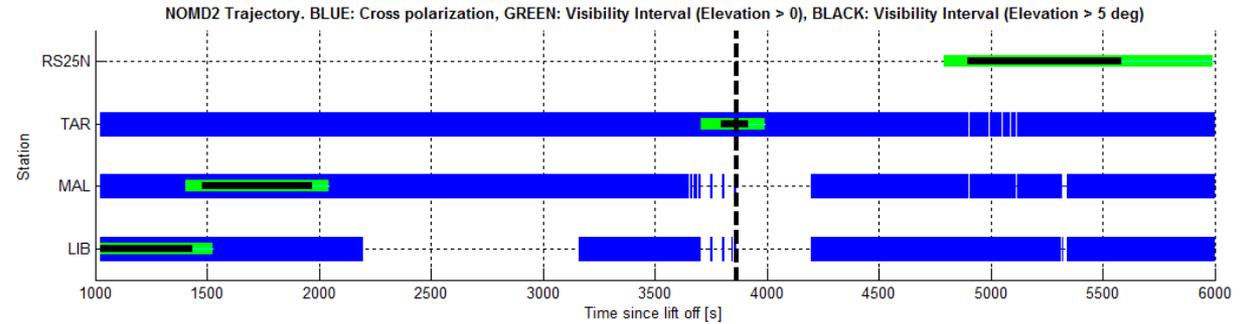
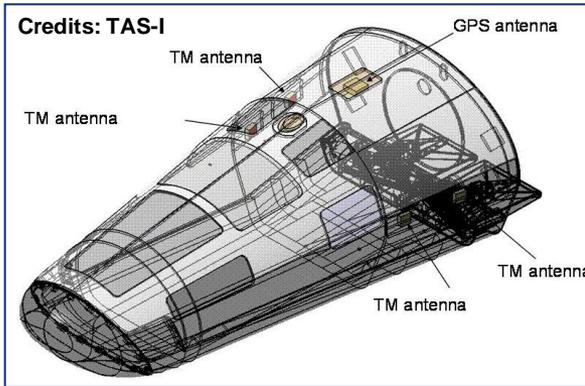


VISIBILITY

- FIXED/MOBILE GS
- GPS
- BETWEEN SPACECRAFTS

Examples:

- Geometric visibility of IXV: Ground Stations and GPS (ESA)

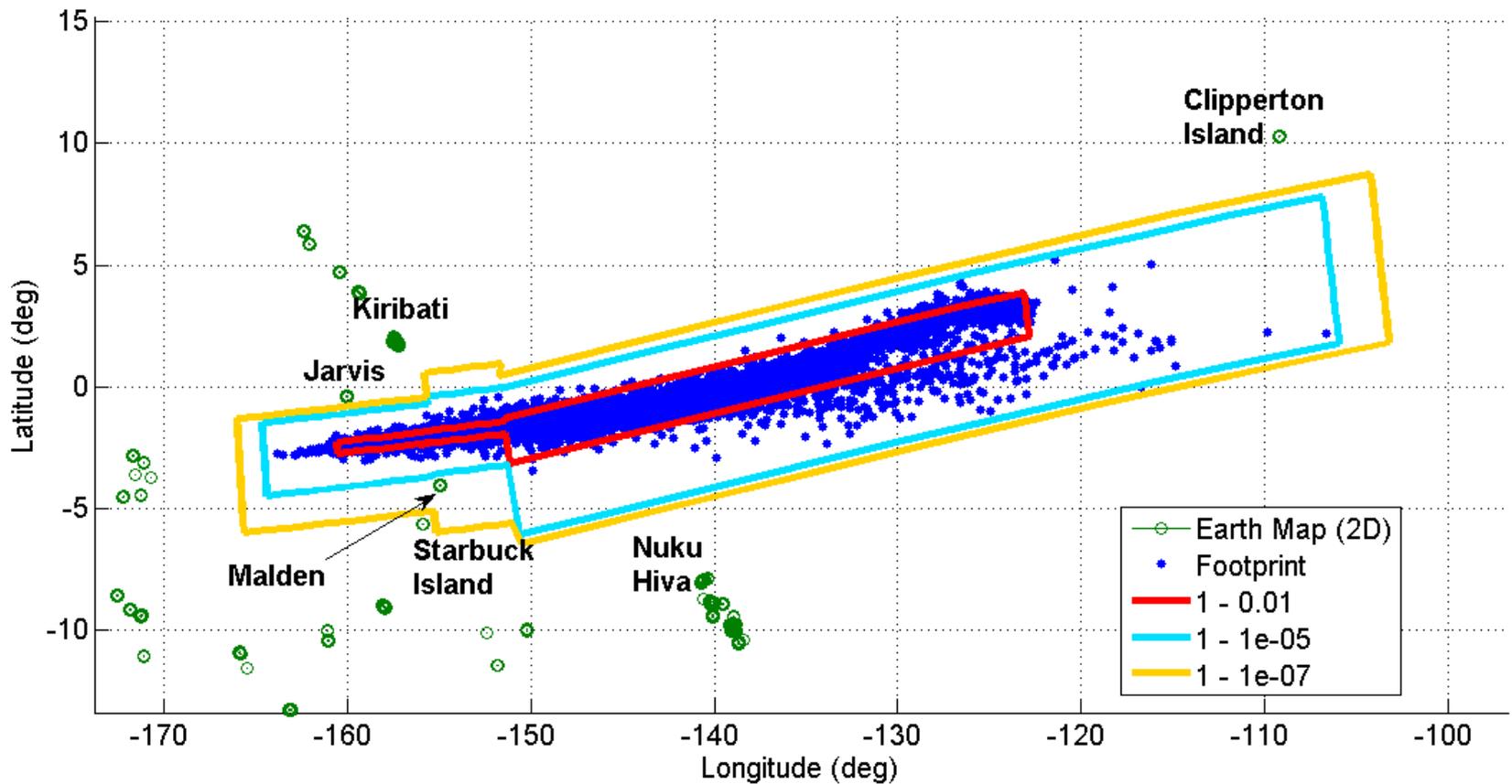


SAFETY

- FOOTPRINT
- DEBRIS SURVIVAB. AND RISK
- S/C SEPARATION

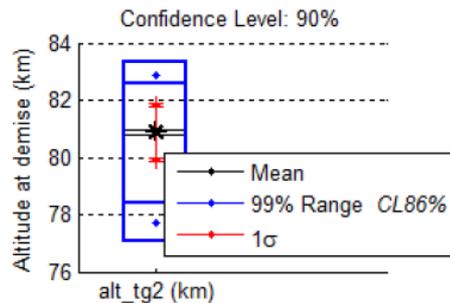
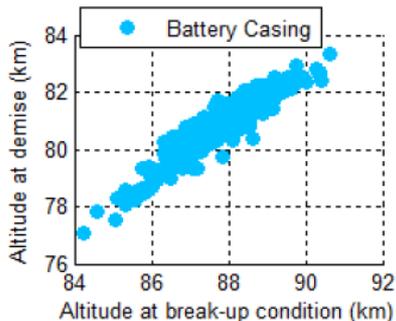
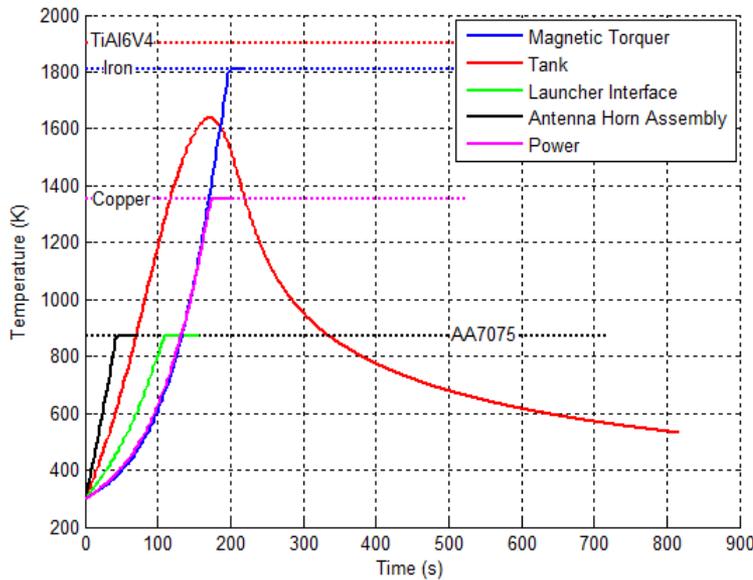
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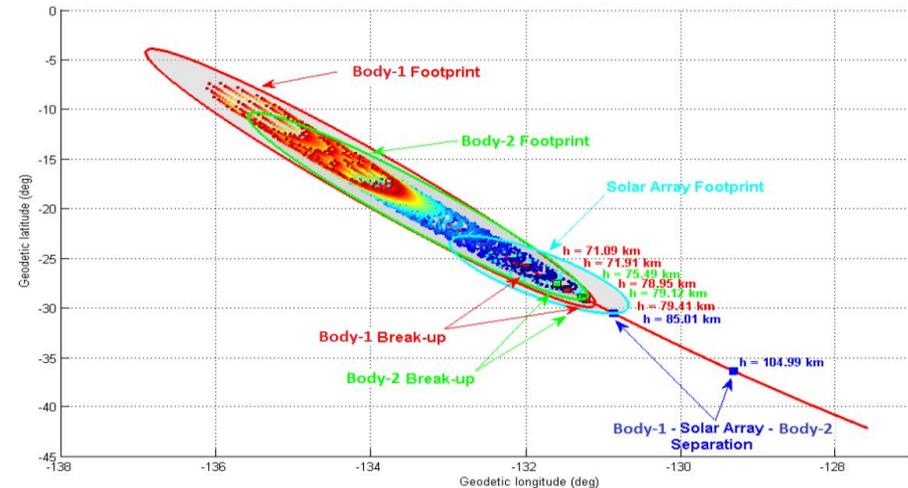
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Examples:

- IXV safety footprint analysis (ESA)
- Debris survivability and risk analysis (D4D/DRAMA, ESA)

PETbox-embedded Object Oriented Tool: DEBRIS (Debris survivability and risk analysis)



SAFETY

FOOTPRINT

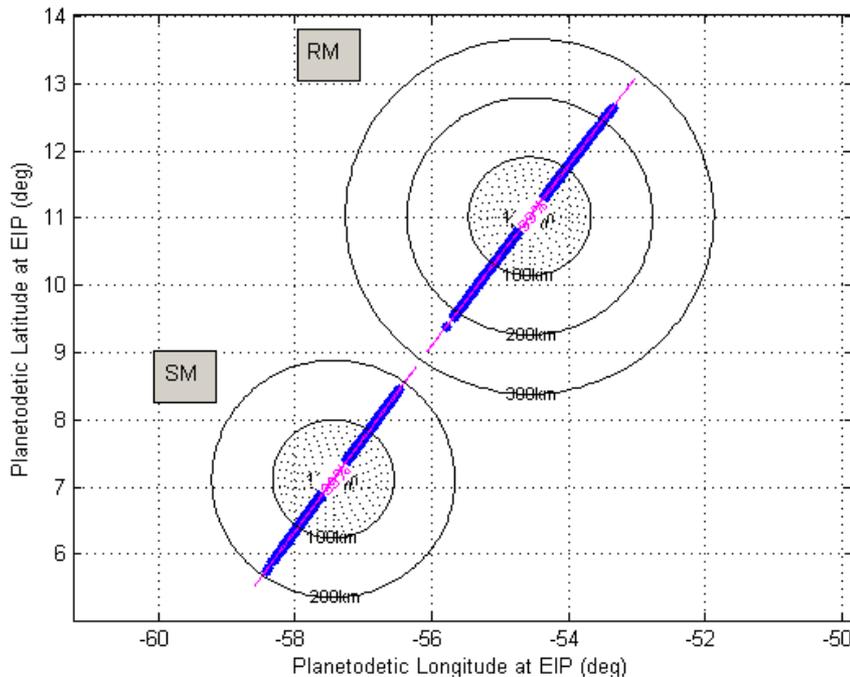
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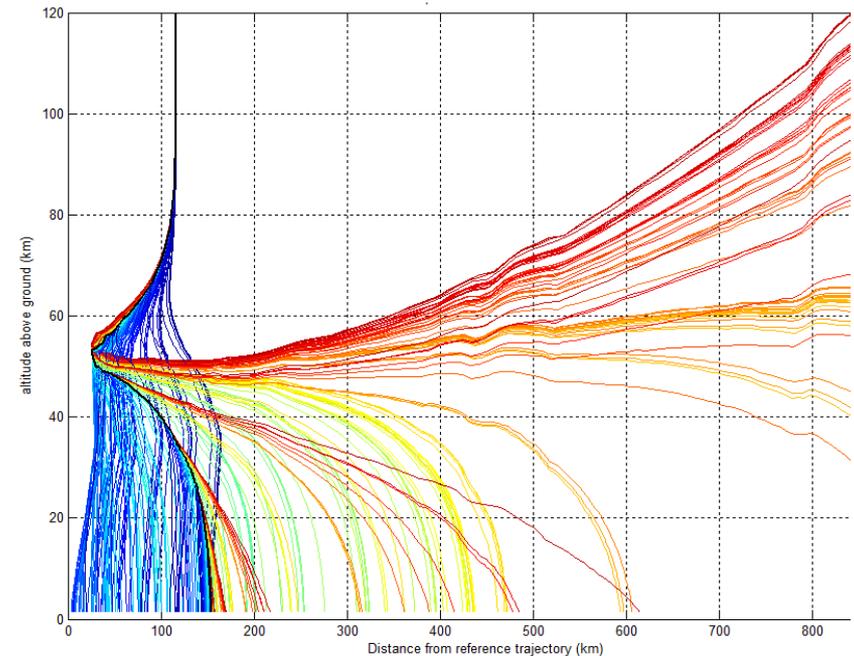
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- S/C Separation (ARV Service Module – Re-entry Module & Exomars 2018 Carrier Module debris – Descent Module separation) (ESA)

ARV: Service Module – Re-entry Module



ExoMars 2018: CM debris - DM separation 24 h before EIP

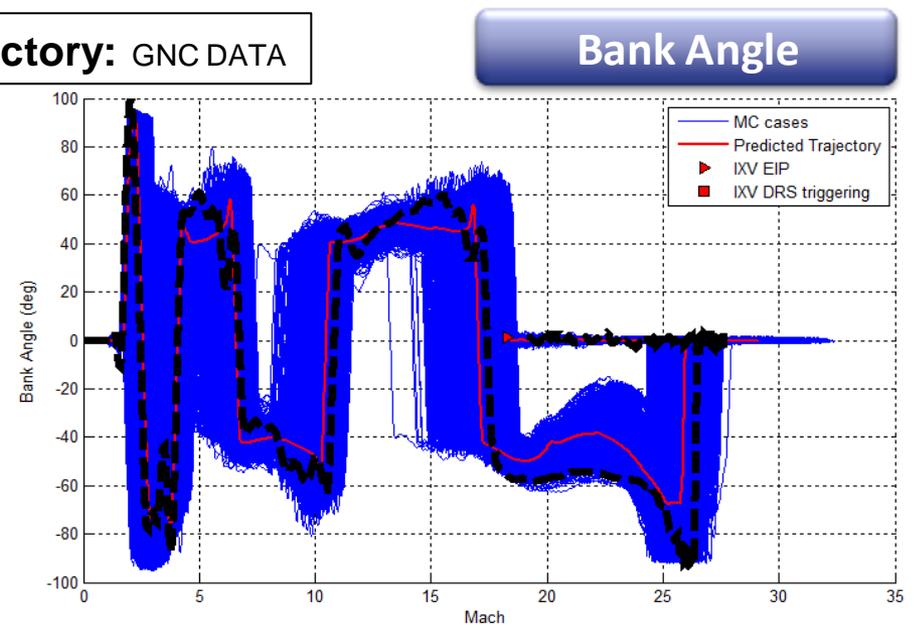
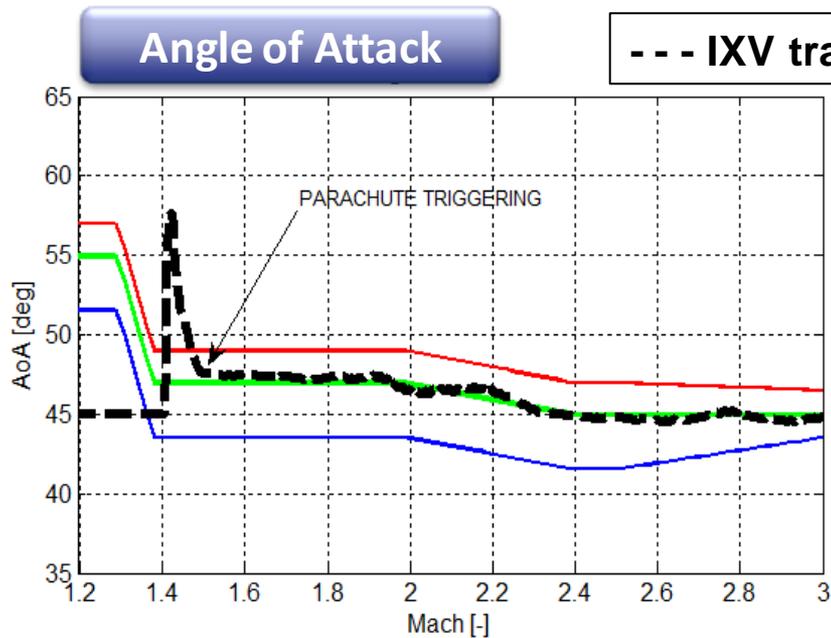


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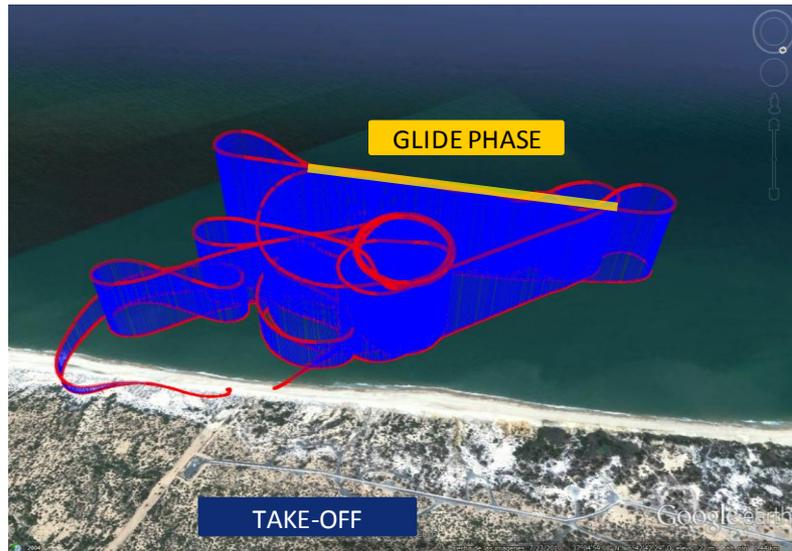
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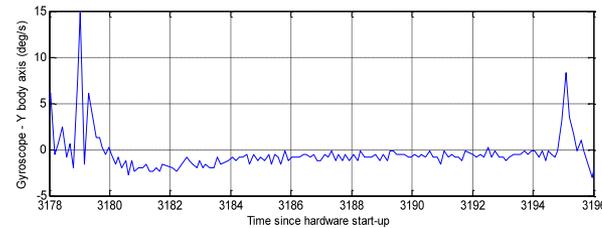
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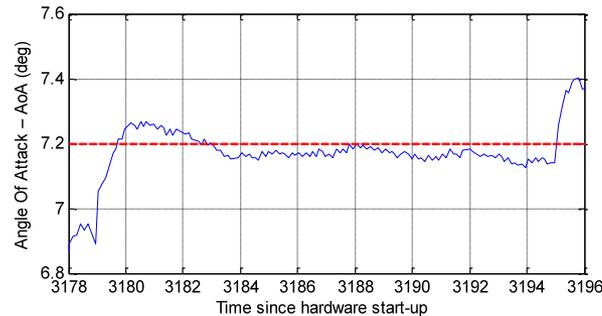
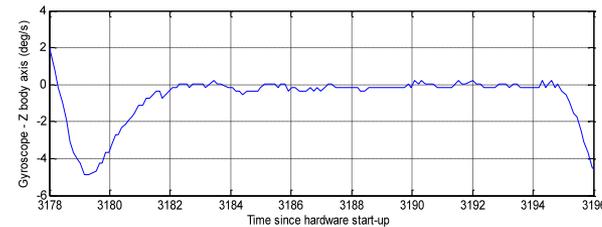


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- PERIGEO open loop trim and stability of UAV (CDTI)



Yaw and pitch stability



Glide Phase:
AoA design vs flight

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- Multiple practical examples of the use of PETbox in the area of Atmospheric Flight have been presented.
- The following features have been highlighted:
 - State of the art SW suite in Atmospheric Flight Mission Engineering
 - Flexibility to adapt to a very wide range of problems (different vehicles, flight phases, environments, analysis types)
 - Modularity and centralized SW
 - Flight qualification of design methodology and tools
 - Live tool under continuous upgrading by an expert team, ready for future challenges in Atmospheric Flight!





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