

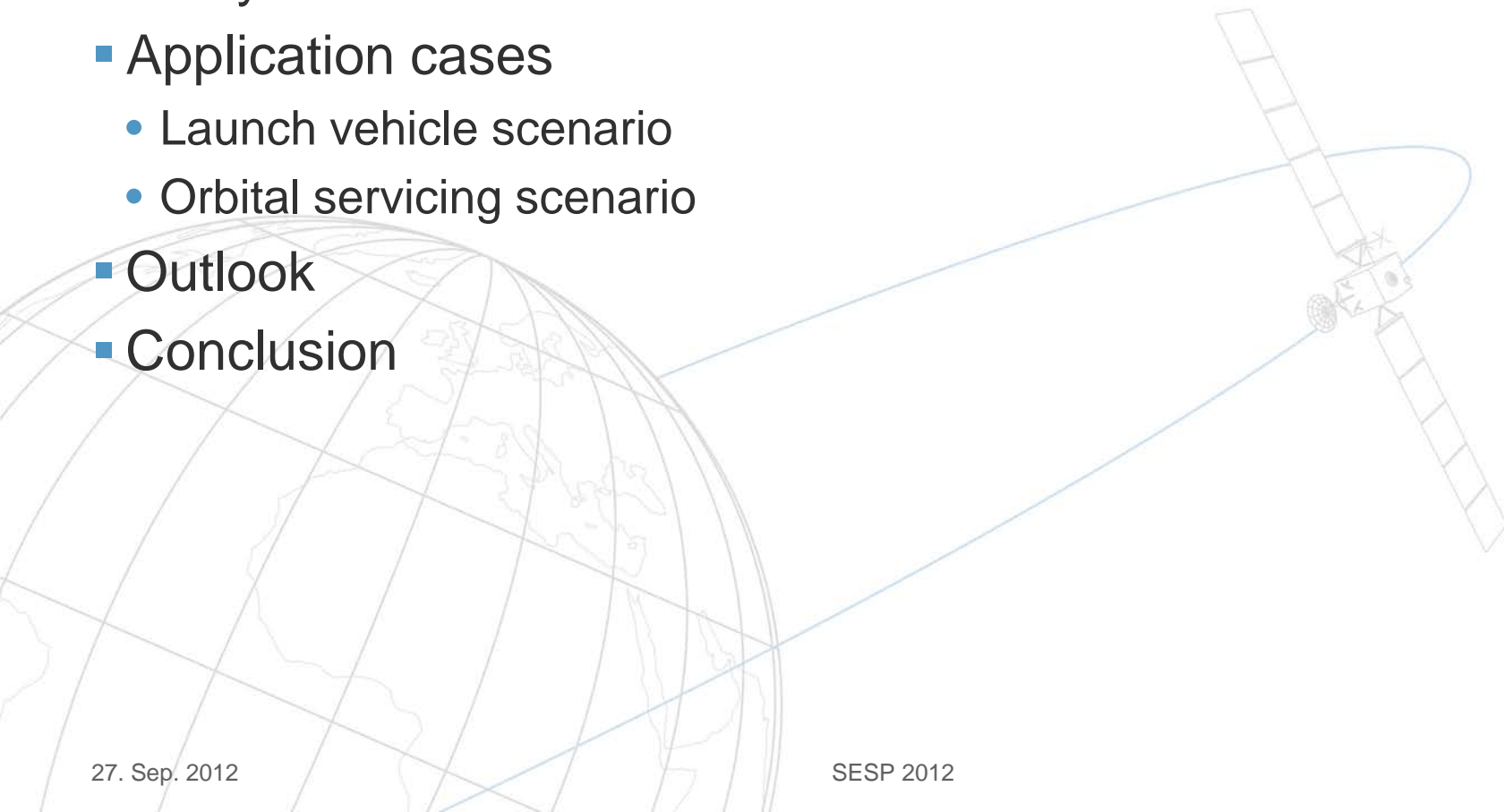
# **Concept and Performance Simulation with ASTOS**

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# Outline

- Overview Simulators in Phase 0 to Phase C
- Overview ASTOS Software
- Analysis tasks with ASTOS
- Application cases
  - Launch vehicle scenario
  - Orbital servicing scenario
- Outlook
- Conclusion



# Simulator Overview for Phases 0/A/B/(C)

## ECSS Technical Memorandum: System modelling and simulation

### System Concept Simulator

- Rapid evaluation of system design concepts
- High-level mission requirements
- Execution of design trade-offs
- Low-fidelity models
- High reusability

### Mission Performance Simulator

- Establishment and verification of the overall performance of the baseline mission from the user point of view
- Adequate payload models, i.e. instrument, GNC payload, ...
- Operational reuseability

### Functional Engineering Simulator

- Verification of critical elements of a baseline system design
- Functional model which is representative of the behaviour of the real modelled elements
- Used as basis for building real-time simulators that are exploited in the subsequent phases
- Verification that the preliminary and detailed design meets the system requirements

Different focus with high potential for reusability but also high dependency on the space application.

# Engineering Activities

Engineering Activities	Phase 0	Phase A	Phase B	Phase C
Feasibility and Performance Analysis/Trade-Offs	Concurrent Design Activities			
Requirements Specification	Concurrent Design Activities	System & Mission Analysis		
Design Verification		System Interfaces and End-to-End Design Trade-off		
System and Mission performance verification		System Interfaces and End-to-End Design Trade-off		
Functional Subsystem V&V			Interfaces and End-to-End	

# ASTOS Applications

Interplanetary

Observation

Telecom

Aero-Assisted  
Maneuvers

Formations

Debris

RvD

Reentry

Space Robotics

Ascent

Constellations

Sounding  
Rockets

Station Keeping

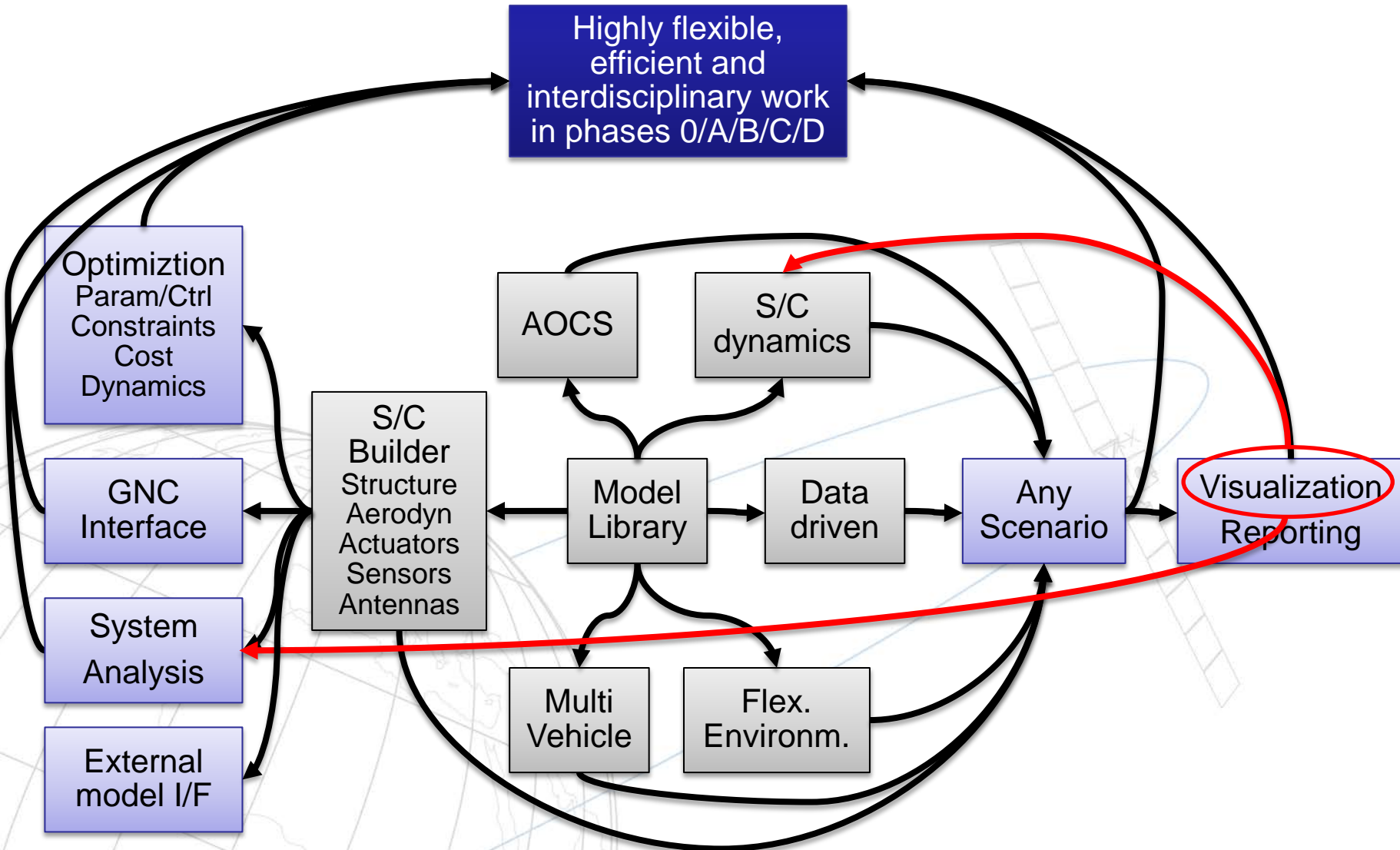
Orbit Transfer

Libration Point  
Missions

## ASTOS Techniques

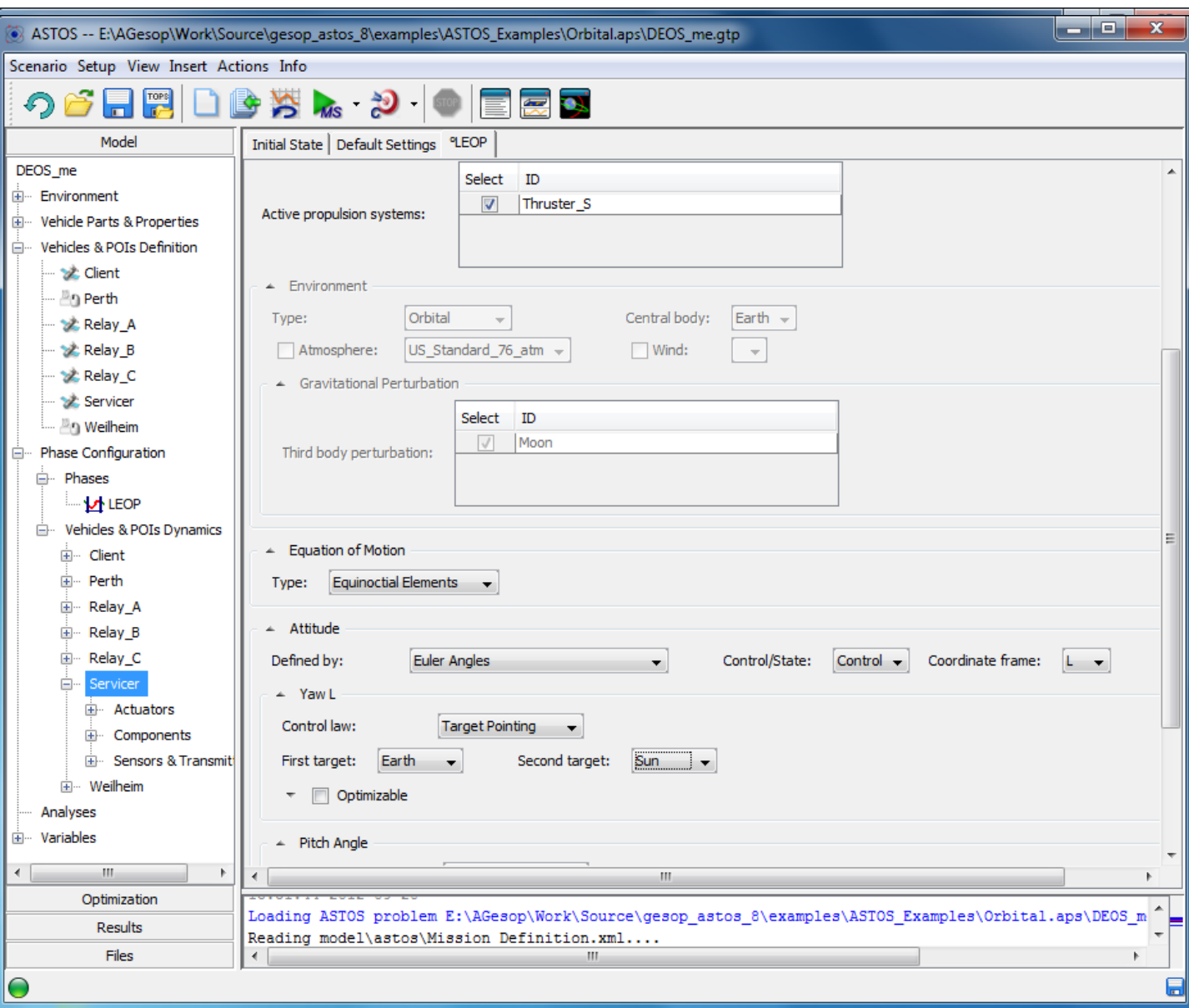
- Trajectory & vehicle optimisation
- Propagation & mission analysis
- Multi-Body simulation
- System analysis
- Safety analysis
- GNC analysis with flexible modes
- Monte Carlo simulations
- Visualization
- Reporting

# What is behind ASTOS?





# ASTOS Scenario Definition



The screenshot displays the ASTOS software interface for scenario definition. The window title is "ASTOS -- E:\AGesop\Work\Source\gesop\_astos\_8\examples\ASTOS\_Examples\Orbital.aps\DEOS\_me.gtp". The interface is divided into a left sidebar and a main configuration area.

**Left Sidebar (Scenario Setup View):**

- DEOS\_me
  - Environment
  - Vehicle Parts & Properties
  - Vehicles & POIs Definition
    - Client
    - Perth
    - Relay\_A
    - Relay\_B
    - Relay\_C
    - Servicer
    - Weilheim
  - Phase Configuration
    - Phases
      - LEOP
  - Vehicles & POIs Dynamics
    - Client
    - Perth
    - Relay\_A
    - Relay\_B
    - Relay\_C
    - Servicer
      - Actuators
      - Components
      - Sensors & Transmit
    - Weilheim
  - Analyses
  - Variables

**Main Configuration Area (Initial State | Default Settings | %LEOP):**

- Active propulsion systems:** A table with columns "Select" and "ID". One row is checked: Thruster\_S.
- Environment:**
  - Type: Orbital
  - Central body: Earth
  - Atmosphere:  US\_Standard\_76\_atm
  - Wind:
- Gravitational Perturbation:**
  - Third body perturbation: A table with columns "Select" and "ID". One row is checked: Moon.
- Equation of Motion:** Type: Equinoctial Elements
- Attitude:**
  - Defined by: Euler Angles
  - Control/State: Control
  - Coordinate frame: L
- Yaw L:**
  - Control law: Target Pointing
  - First target: Earth
  - Second target: Sun
  - Optimizable
- Pitch Angle:**

**Bottom Panel:**

- Optimization
- Results
- Files
- Log: Loading ASTOS problem E:\AGesop\Work\Source\gesop\_astos\_8\examples\ASTOS\_Examples\Orbital.aps\DEOS\_m... Reading model\astos\Mission Definition.xml....

1. Environment
2. Vehicle Parts
  - Servicer
  - Antenna
  - Camera
3. Vehicles & POI setup
4. Phases config.
5. Vehicles dynamics config.
6. Analysis

# SUPPORTED ANALYSIS STEPS

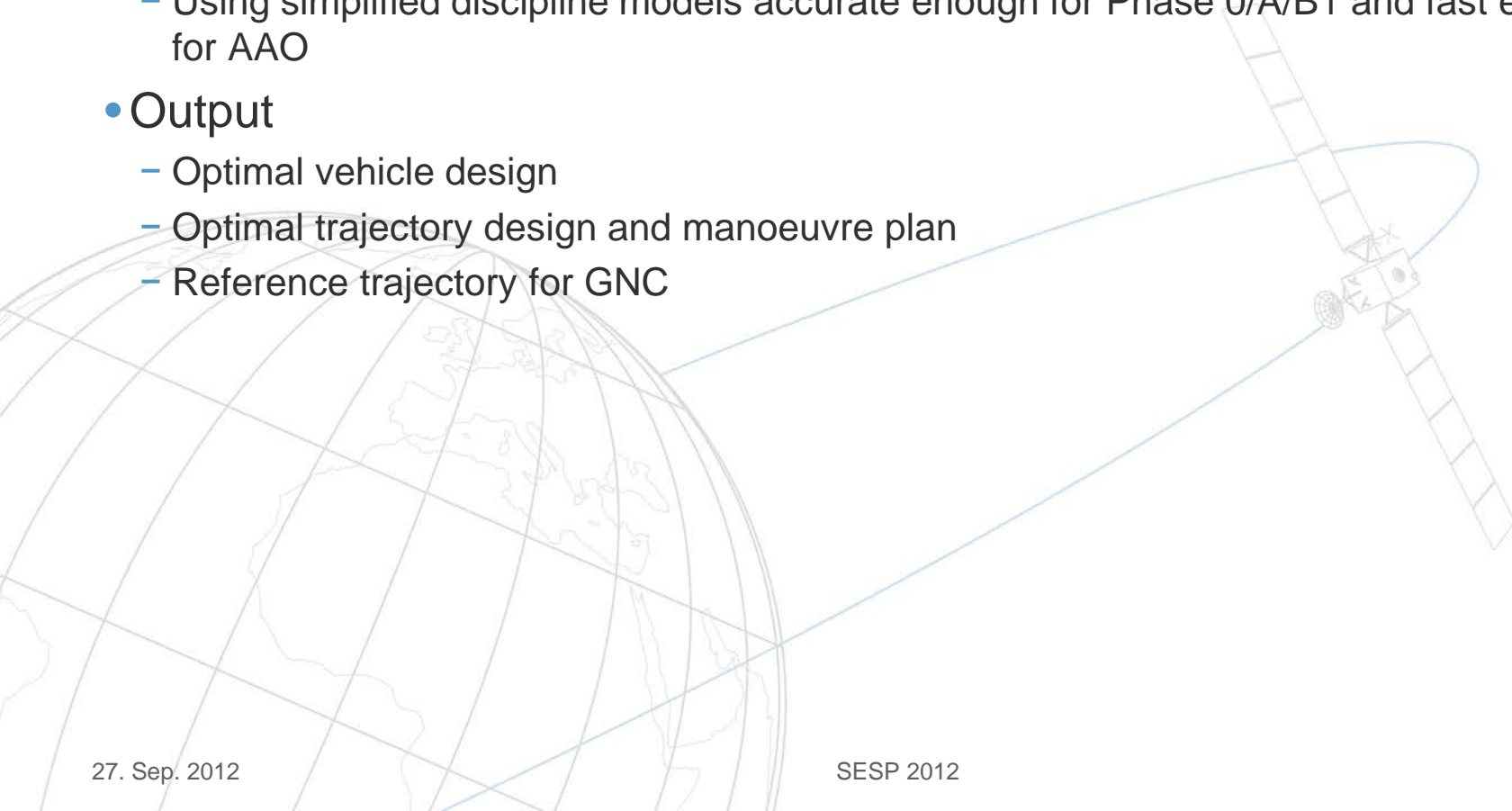




# 1. Design Trade-offs with Support of Multi-Disciplinary Optimization

## ASTOS-MDO uses

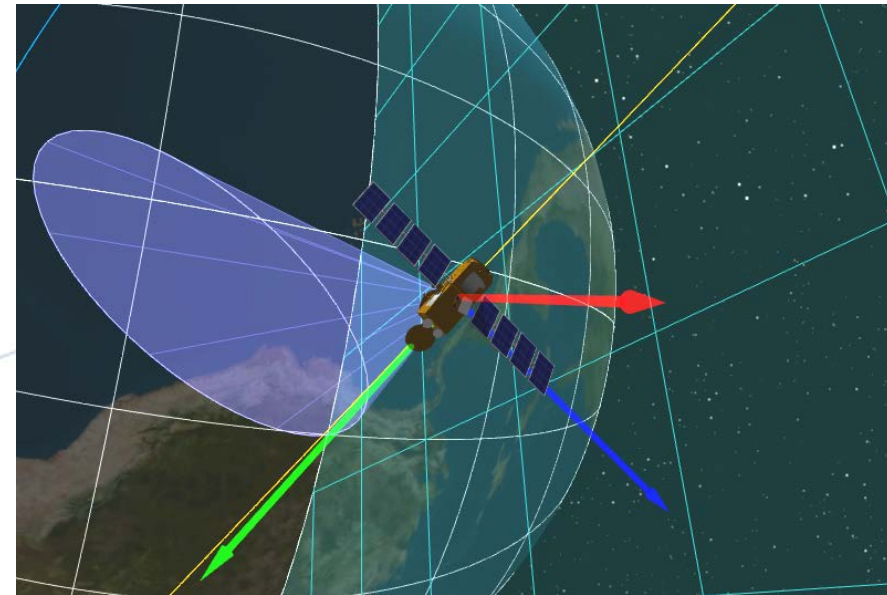
- All-At-Once (AAO) approach
  - Considering optimal control and mission and load constraints
  - Using simplified discipline models accurate enough for Phase 0/A/B1 and fast enough for AAO
- Output
  - Optimal vehicle design
  - Optimal trajectory design and manoeuvre plan
  - Reference trajectory for GNC



## 2. Mission Analysis

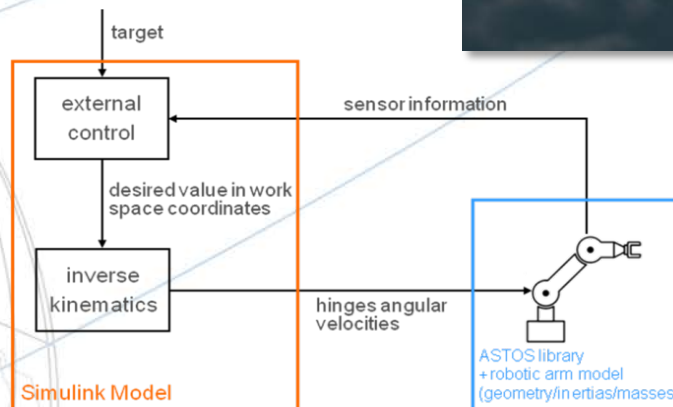
Full support to the mission analysis work package

- Accurate trajectory propagation
- Multi-vehicle scenarios
- Attitude defined by pointing laws
- Analysis aspects cover
  - Departure & arrival window
  - Delta-V budget
  - Manoeuvre planning
  - Eclipses
  - Visibility & link budget
  - Payload environmental req.
  - Sensor field of view analysis  
incl. separate pointing laws for sensors
- Modelling of space environment according to ECSS



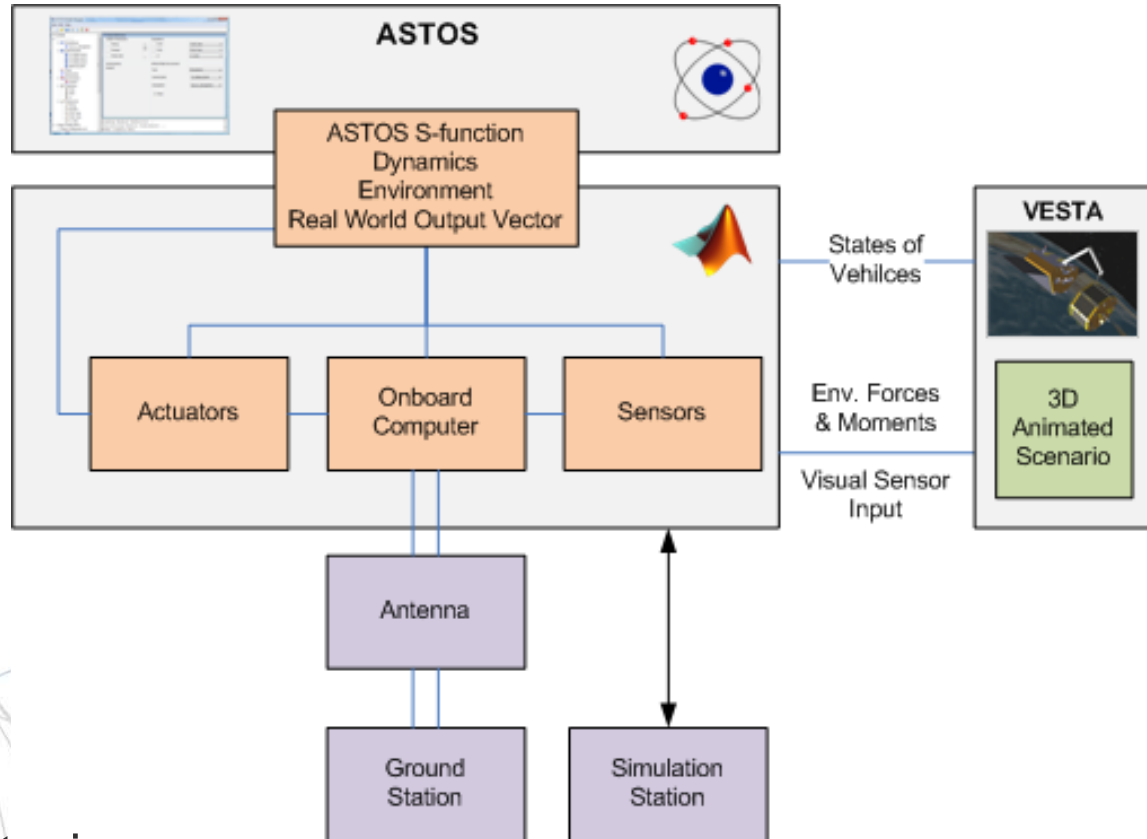
# Multi-Body Dynamics

- Flexible body dynamics from DCAP
- Robotic arm interface with rigid multi-body dynamics
  - Definition of robotic arm elements by size, mass and inertia
  - Dynamics based on spin and momentum conservation
  - Simplification:
    - Angular velocities of hinges are commanded
    - No modelling of hinges itself
  - Robotic arm control by
    - Simulink model for angular control
    - Build-in Inverse Kinematics for 6dof targeting with constraints
  - Output
    - Cardan angles of hinges
    - Rigid multi-body dynamics, i.e. force and moment feedback on core satellite



# 3. AOCS/GNC Analysis

- ASTOS represents Real World and exports S-function to Simulink
  - System and Onboard World in Simulink
  - Realistic visualization in real-time
  - Force and moment feed-back of environmental disturbances
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- Designed for rapid prototyping
  - Coupled Mission and GNC analysis



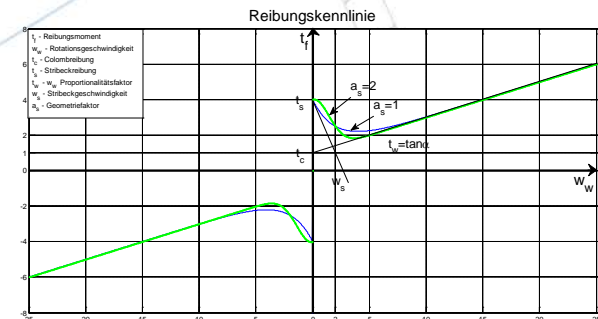
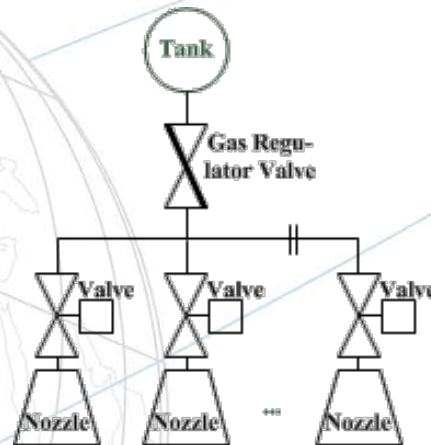
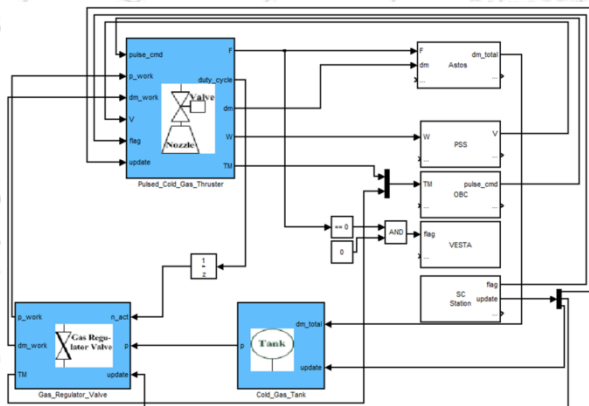
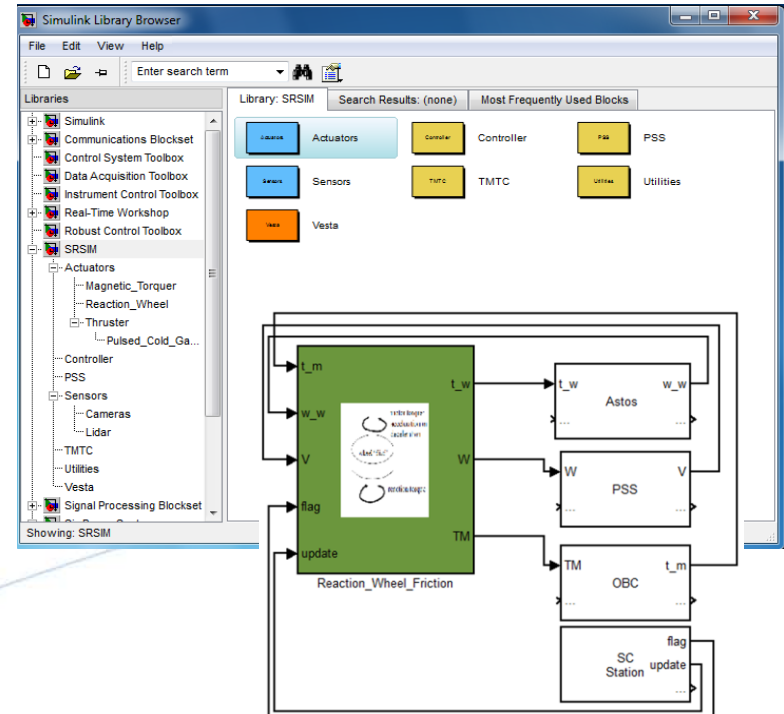
# Equipment Database

## • Actuators

- Pulsed cold gas thrusters
- Magnetorquer with characteristic curve
- Momentum wheels
- providing TM, power and fuel consumption

## • Sensors

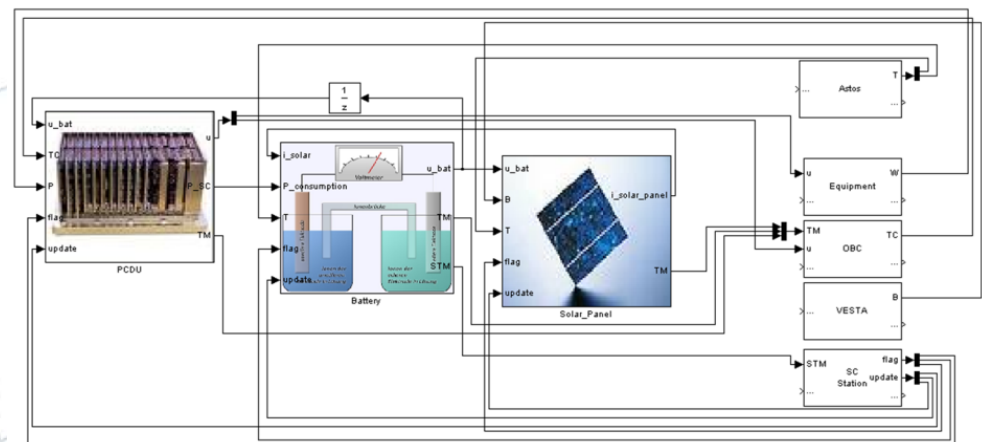
- Currently simple sensor models (field of view)
- Camera model for relative navigation
- Error flags and power consumption



# 4. System Analysis

- System analysis is considered as far as it is related to the trajectory, affected subsystems and GNC design
  - Power system with models for battery and solar panels
  - Thermal model
  - TM/TC including link budget
- Use of geometrical representation in VESTA for computation of physical properties at interfaces to subsystem models, like irradiation on surfaces and solar cells for thermal and power modules

- Interfaces are provided to link
  - external subsystem models
  - payload models
- as part of
  - the simulation
  - a dedicated post-analysis





Example

# LAUNCHER MDO AND GNC



## ■ Architecture

- Stage sizing with parameterized geometry
- Structural mass estimation using regression tables depending on size and load cases, verification with structural optimization by ODIN (MT Aerospace)
- Propulsion system design using RPA (chemical equilibrium)
  - extended system analysis like heat transfer rate and engine cycle
  - suitable for preliminary design phases
- Estimation of controllability using modal analysis

## ■ Output

- Load cases
- NASTRAN file exported by ODIN
- Optimal vehicle design
- Reference trajectory considering boundary and path constraints
- High level mission requirements

## • Architecture

- ASTOS
  - Rigid body dynamics
  - Reference trajectory
  - Requirements and reporting
- DCAP (TAS-I)
  - Flexible body dynamics
- MATLAB
  - Controller design
- Simulink
  - Sensor/actuator definition
  - Navigation algorithms
  - Open loop guidance simulation
  - Closed loop control simulation

## • Output

- Sizing of attitude control system
- Load cases like bending moment
- GNC budgets
- Minimum propellant reserve
- Injection accuracy
- Ground track drift

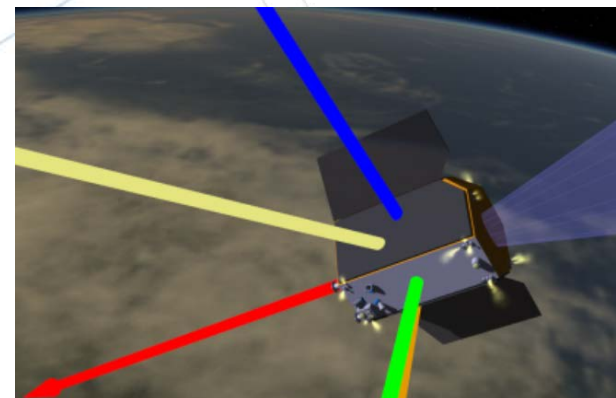
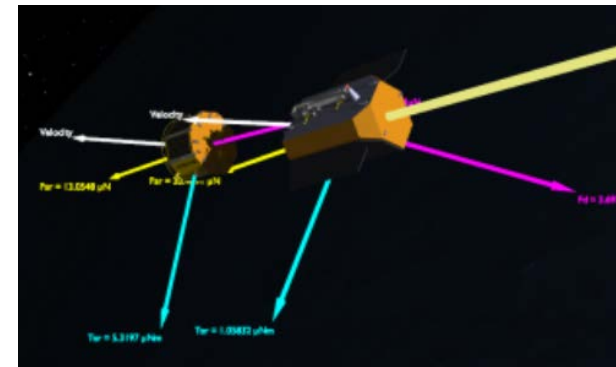
Example

# ORBITAL SERVICING - DEOS



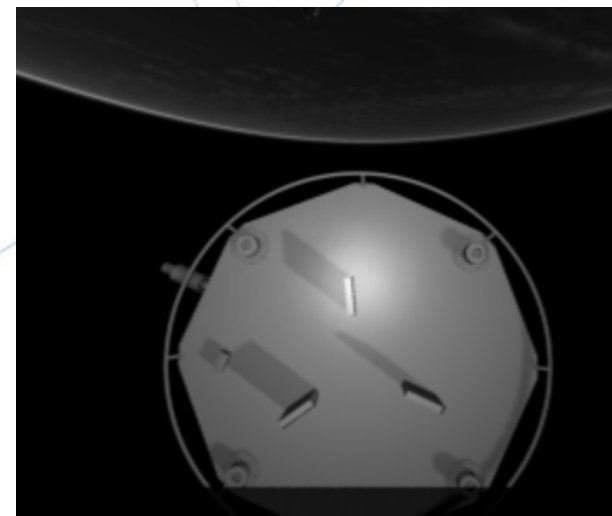
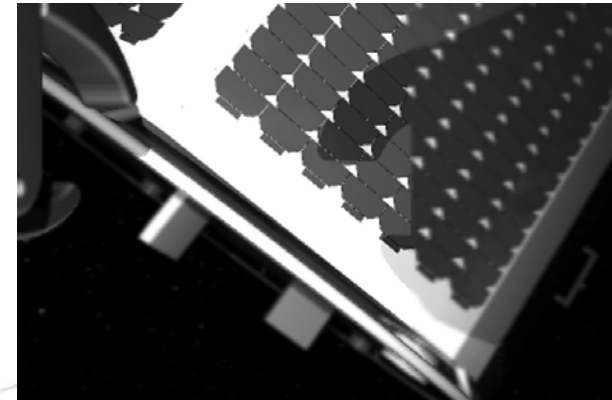
# Orbital Servicing Mission DEOS

- Coupled mission, system and GNC analysis
- Specific Algorithms
  - Optimal rendezvous maneuver
  - Manipulator arm interface
  - Computation of environment based on geometry, e.g. differential drag
  - Navigation based on visual sensors
  - Specific GNC algorithms like search and pointing algorithms based on visual navigation
  - Guidance algorithms for forced motion
  - Control algorithms with visualization of thrusters



# Camera Simulator applied to DEOS

- Real-time generation of imaging sensor output considering
  - frame rate
  - field of view
  - focal length
  - sensor resolution
  - sensor technology
  - sensor spectrum (requires 3D models with corresponding material definition)
- Allows navigation via an image processing algorithm
- Hardware solution with CameraLink interface is available
- Suitable for evaluation of sensors and sensor parameters





# Summary of ASTOS Utilization

All three simulators (SCS, MPS, FES) are supported with following capabilities

- Requirement specification and validation, maintenance during life cycle, automatic reporting of verified requirements
- Design Trade-Offs at system level using GUI for rapid scenario configuration and system modelling according to the required fidelity of the specific analysis
- Evaluation of system concepts
- Assessment of engineering margins using sensitivity and worst case analysis
- System and mission performance verification and functional subsystem verification and validation of GNC related payload
- E2E mission performance budgets of GNC payload

# Outlook

- Implementation of additional models to support SCS, MPS, FES, e.g. interface to ECOSIM based subsystem models
- Implementation of interfaces to link high fidelity instrument and payload models for extended MPS applications
- Provide ASTOS as dynamics and environment simulator in PIL/HIL testbed based on dSPACE hardware

# Conclusion

- A rapid-prototyping approach for system concept and performance simulation has been presented.
- Analysis methods comprises optimization, mission, system and GNC analysis
- The resulting software framework is based on ASTOS with interfaces to DCAP, ODIN, RPA and Matlab/Simulink. Interfaces to other system tools can be added.
- Performance analysis is currently focusing on GNC aspects, but will be extended to scientific payloads
- It is dedicated to concurrent design facilities, like ESA/CDF, and has been successfully applied to orbital servicing, launcher ascent and low thrust orbital transfer.
- Further extensions supporting PIL/HIL are ongoing.

Leadership requires solutions



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