

## The Restore-L Servicing Mission

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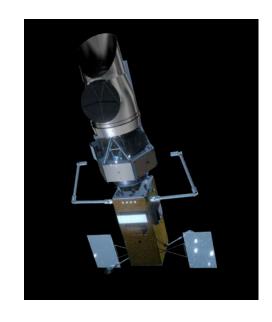
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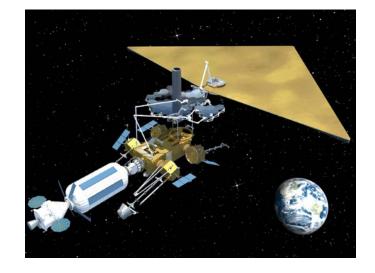




## Science and Exploration



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Extend Life

## Science



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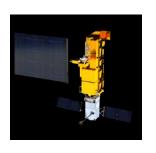


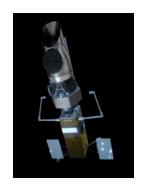
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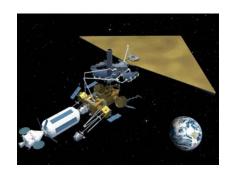


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## Exploration







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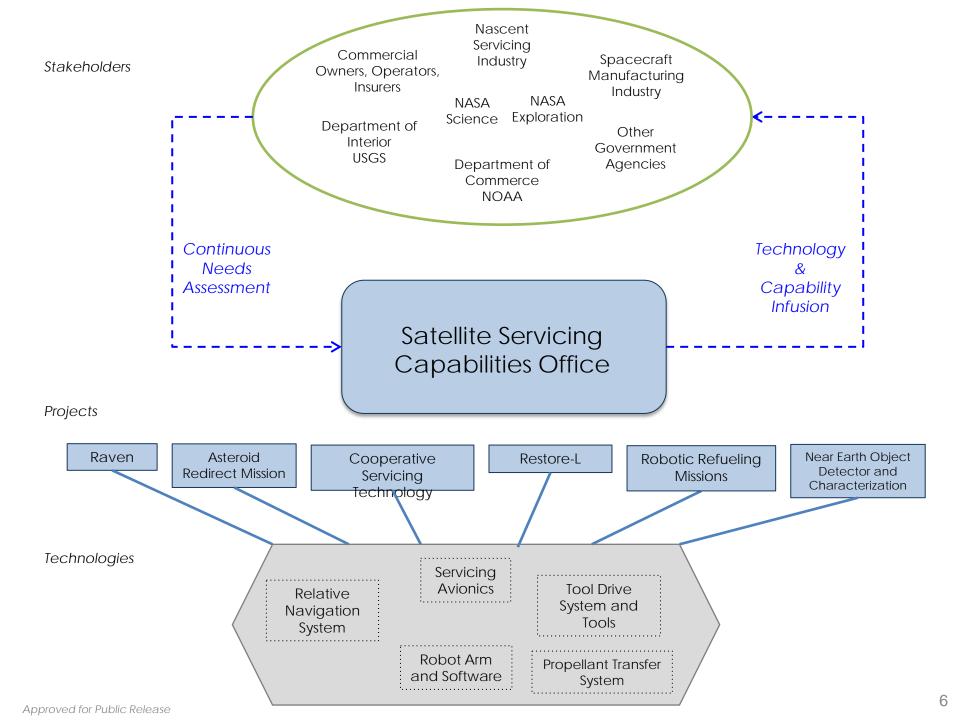
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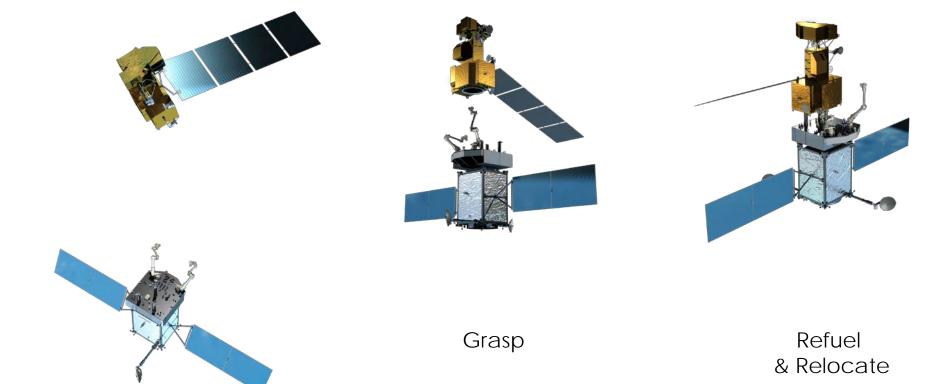
## Servicing Capabilities





Restore-L

Technology Demonstration Mission



## Objectives

Rendezvous

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Center NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center

**Project** Satellite Servicing Capabilities Office

#### **Associated Centers**

Kennedy Space Center

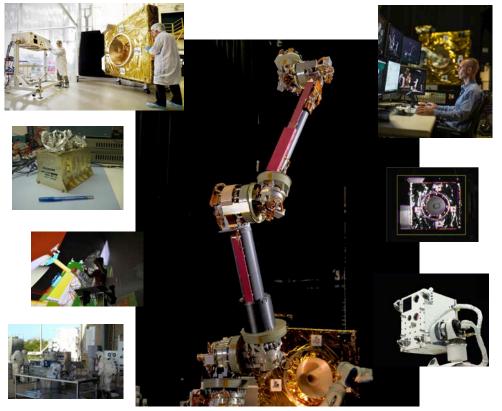
Marshall Space Flight Center

Johnson Space Center

## Management and Team

#### relative navigation system

servicing avionics robot arm and software Technologies tool drive system and tools propellant transfer system













## Relative Navigation

#### Objective

Autonomous, robotic rendezvous with a non-cooperative satellite

#### The Challenge

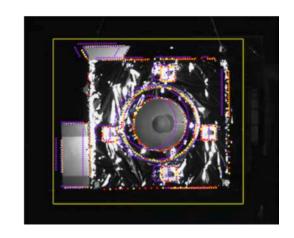
- Autonomous, real-time relative navigation with both non-cooperative and cooperative objects
  - Non-cooperative methods allow rendezvous to legacy space objects
  - Autonomous system allows robust operation across many operational regimes
- Creating a near-turnkey system for multiple future missions

#### Technologies that make it possible

- Sensor suite (Visible, infrared, lidar)
- Algorithms (range, bearing, pose)
- SpaceCube processor

#### Impact

 Results in an off-the-shelf, integrated Government technology set and capabilities



## Servicing Avionics

#### Objective

 Avionics to enable autonomous rendezvous and capture of non-cooperative satellites, also teleoperated servicing tasks

#### The Challenge

- Running complex vision processing algorithms and robot motion control algorithms in real time on flight-qualified hardware
- Developing methods to parallel process algorithms to accelerate hardware
- Developing a mission-critical system that is flight-qualified and robust to launch and space environment
- High volume video data storage and commandable distribution

#### Technologies that make it possible

- SpaceCube processor
- Video Data Storage Unit

- Provides enhanced data processing capability to support complex on-orbit servicing tasks
- Remote locations with communication limitations can benefit from increased processing prior to transmitting
- Applicable to missions that need many video sources with limited bandwidth



#### Robot Arm and Software

#### Objective

- Autonomous grasping of non-cooperative on-orbit satellite
- Teleoperated robotic servicing of legacy interfaces

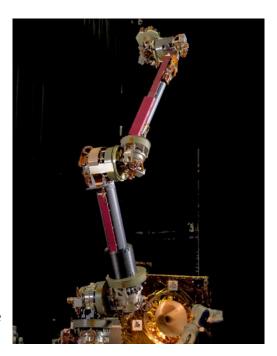
#### The Challenge

- Autonomous capture of non-cooperative clients
- Teleoperated servicing of non-prepared worksites at LEO, GEO or interplanetary

#### Technologies that make it possible

- NASA Servicing Arm 7 degrees of freedom
- Robot Electronics Unit
- Robot Flight Software

- Support of current (SPDM) and future (LEO/GEO servicing, asteroid, etc.) robotic missions
- Accurate local simulation of remote delay can help with investigating mitigation of cis-lunar and beyond time delay
- Robot and Electronics Unit design is GEO-qualifiable and can be used on future robotic missions



## Tool Drive System and Tools

#### Objective

Multipurpose tools and adapters to service a non-cooperative client

#### The Challenge

- Create compact, multi-drive tool drive system that enables low-mass, no-motor tools
- Produce suite of robotic tools capable of fault-tolerant operations on unprepared worksites – grasp, inspection, refueling (repair)

#### Technologies that make it possible

- Advanced Tool Drive System
- Sophisticated servicing tools and adapters

- Otherwise daunting missions become achievable
- American industry gets a jumpstart on on-orbit servicing



## Propellant Transfer System

#### Objective

System capable of transferring propellant to a non-cooperative satellite in orbit

#### The Challenge

Provide propellant on orbit to spacecraft not designed for servicing

#### Technologies that make it possible

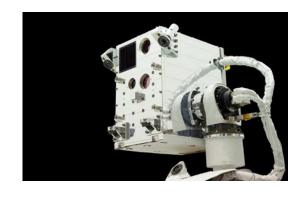
- Propellant Transfer Assembly
- Zero-g fluid flow meter
- Hose management system

- Enables safe and reliable refueling of spacecraft for life extension
- Flexible fleet architecture
- Ability to launch satellites with less initial fuel, allowing for more instruments
- Knowledge learned extensible to other fluid systems: xenon, helium, cryogens
- American industry gets a jumpstart on on-orbit refueling



#### **Near-Term Milestones**

- Mission Concept Review (MCR) April 7, 2016
- Key Decision Point (KDP) A May 2016
- System Requirements Review (SRR) July 2016
- KDP-B Aug 2016
- Raven launches to ISS no earlier than August 2016



## Near-term Restore-L Subsystem Milestones (1 of 2)

- Relative Navigation
  - Procurement of sensors
  - Medium-range closed loop testing
  - Relative Navigation Hardware Preliminary Design Review (PDR) summer 2016
- Vision Subsystem
  - Situational and tele-op camera procurements
  - Vision Subsystem PDR summer 2016
- Servicing Avionics
  - Development/fabrication of engineering design units (EDUs) boards for SpaceCube, Payload Services Unit (PSU), and Video Data Storage Unit (VDSU)
  - Procurement of EEE long-lead parts

## Near-term Restore-L Subsystem Milestones (2 of 2)

- Robot Arm and Software
  - Testing of EDU robotic arm with first-generation EDU Robotic Electronics Unit
  - Procurement of the first actuator joint
  - Development of second generation EDU Robotic Electronics Unit
  - Robotic Subsystem PDR summer 2016
- Tool Drive System and Tools
  - Testing of the next generation Tool Drive (ATDS)
  - Design and manufacturing of prototype/EDU robotic servicing tools, including a cooperative fueling interface
  - ATDS PDR summer 2016
- Propellant Transfer System
  - Integrated end-to-end refueling test with simulated fuel
  - Procurement of long-lead components

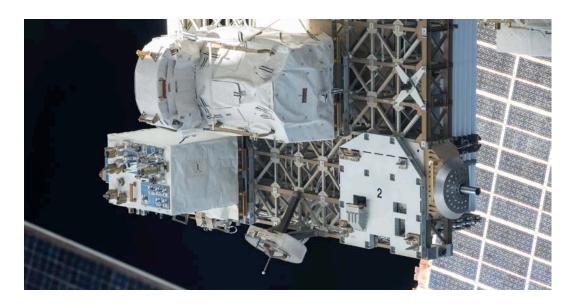
## Technology Advancement on Orbit and on the Ground





#### Robotic Refueling Mission

Technology Demonstration on the International Space Station









Blanket Manipulation



Wire Cutting



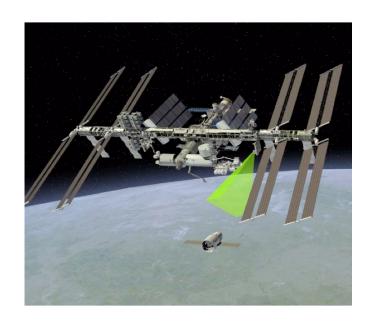
Cap removal



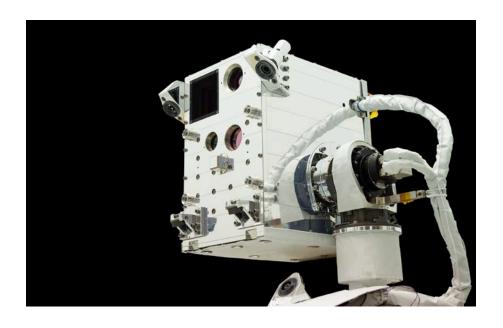
Transferring Mock Propellant

#### Raven

#### Technology Demonstration on the International Space Station



Artist's Concept

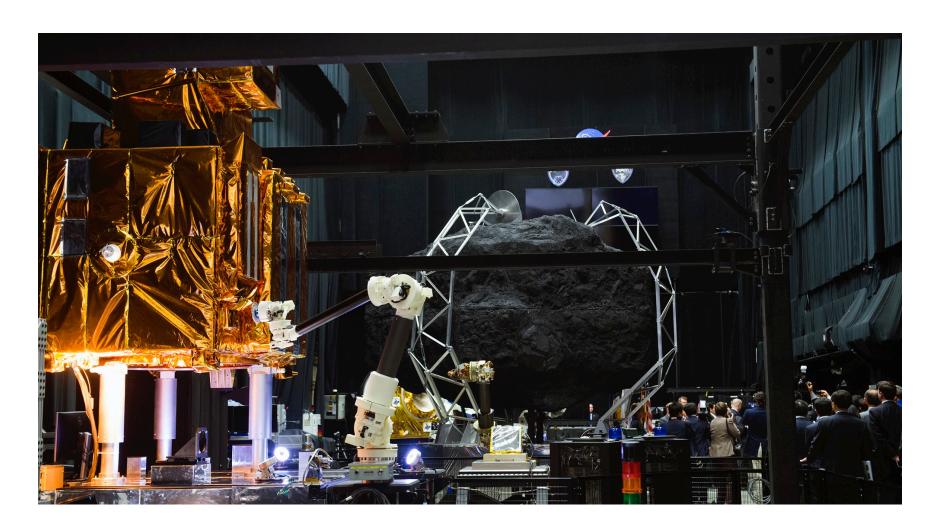


Raven payload (pre-launch)

Results in an off-the-shelf, integrated Government technology set/capability applicable to executing future NASA missions

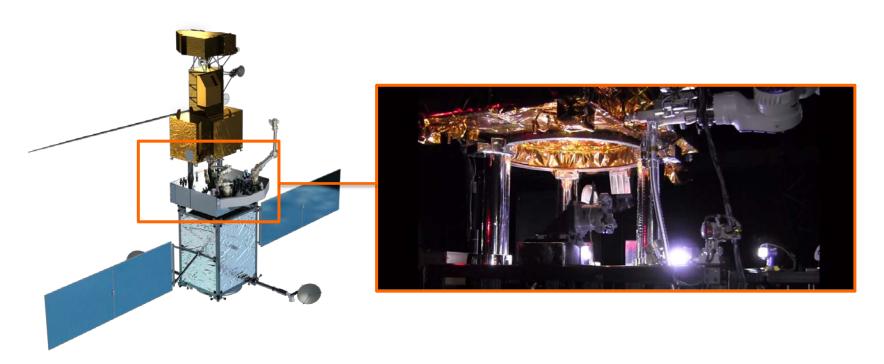
Reduces risk for Orion

## Robotic Operations Center



### Evaluation of refueling in 'orbit night'

Robotic Operations Center



Artist's Concept

Development in Robotic Operations Center, Goddard Space Flight Center

# Disruptive technologies open fresh possibilities for the future





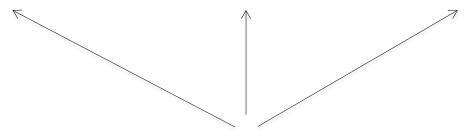


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Industry



Servicing Capabilities







## NASA

- Expanded options for extending the lives of satellites, observatories and spaceships
- Flight-proven technologies that facilitate upgrade and (self)maintenance of robotic and crewed vehicles
- Capabilities that support ambitious Science and Exploration architectures: assembly of assets larger than single payload fairings



## Nation

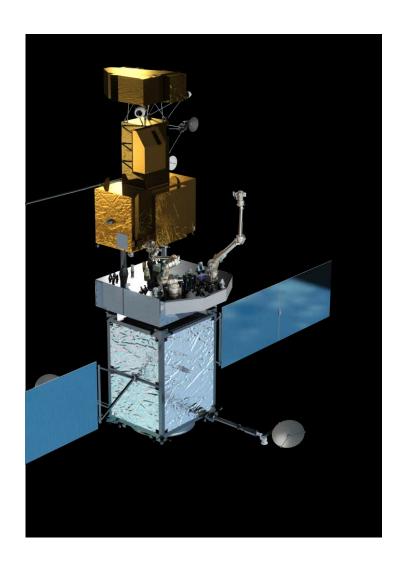
- Global precedence in robotic satellite servicing
- 2. U.S. fleet management possibilities
- 3. New commercial industry boosting U.S. economy



## Nascent Commercial Servicing Industry

Receives flight-proven technologies to jumpstart a commercial industry.

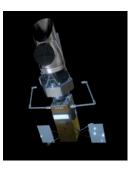
#### Restore-L and Asteroid Redirect Mission Synergy



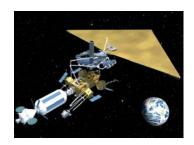




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