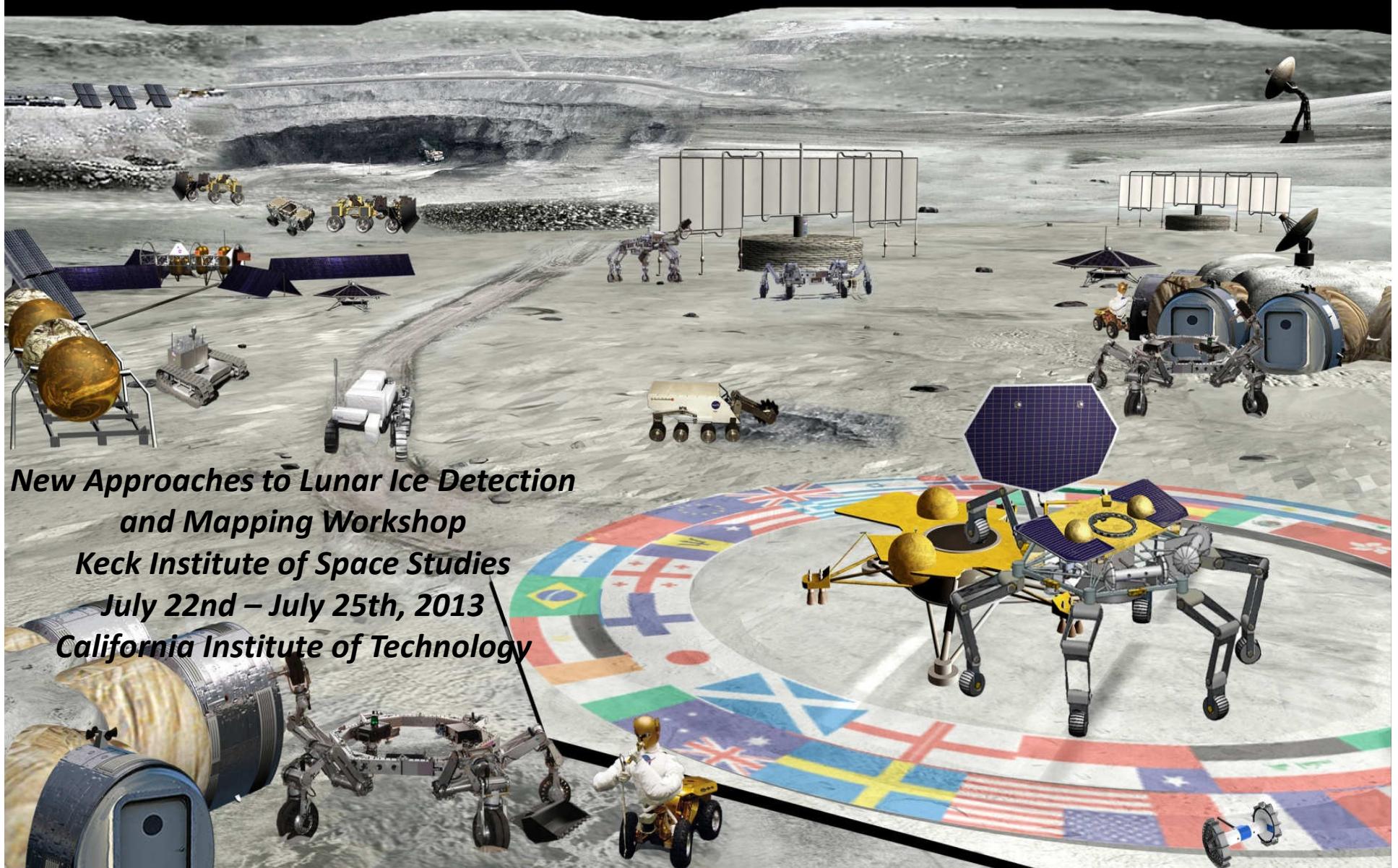


# Future Lunar Missions: Plans and Opportunities



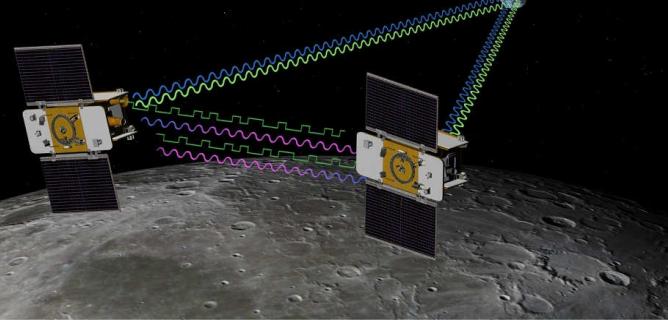
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# Some Lunar Robotic Science & Exploration Mission Formulation Studies at JPL (2003 – 2013)

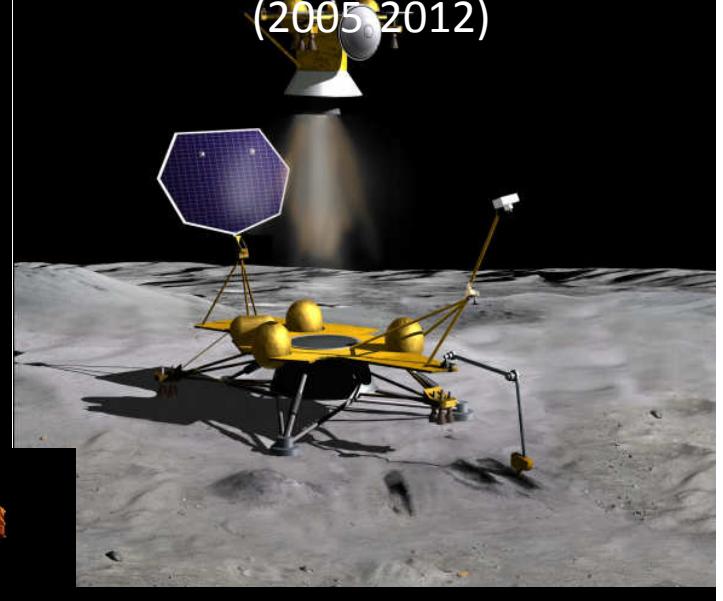
*GRAIL* (2005-2007)



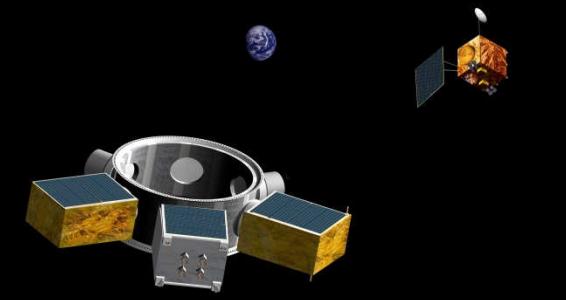
*Moonlight* (2003-2004)



*MoonRise* New Frontiers  
(2005-2012)

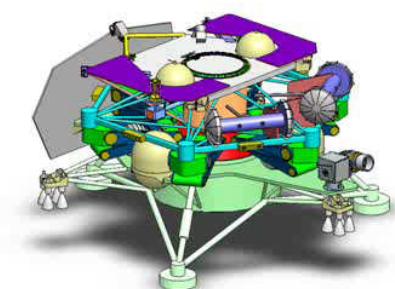


*Lunette* – Discovery  
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Network of small  
landers (2005-2011)



*Lunar Impactor* (2006)

*MIRANDA*: cold trap  
access (2010)



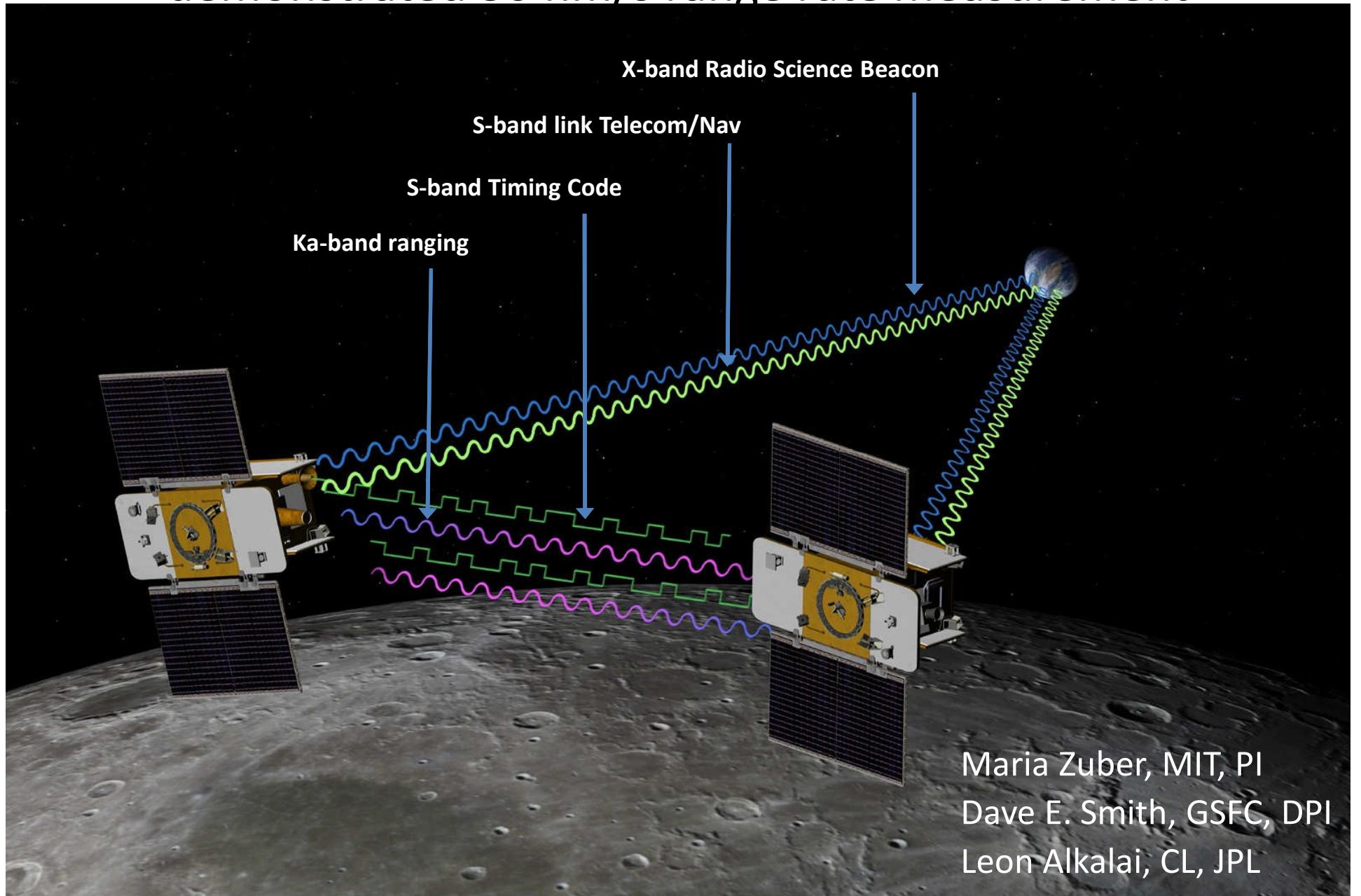
# Other Lunar Science & Exploration Studies at JPL (2003 – 2013)

- Sample Acquisition and Transfer Systems (SATS)
- Landers: hard landers, soft landers, powered descent, hazard avoidance, nuclear powered lander and rover
- Sub-surface access: penetrators deployed from orbit, drills, heat-flow probe, etc.
- Surface mobility: Short-range, long-range, access to cold traps in deep craters
- CubeSats and other micro-spacecraft deployed e.g. gravity mapping
- International Studies & Discussions:
  - MoonLITE lunar orbiter and probes with UKSA
  - Farside network of lunar landers, with ESA, CNES, IPGP
  - Lunar Exploration Orbiter (LEO) with DLR
  - Lunar Com Relay Satellite with ISRO
  - Canadian Space Agency: robotics, surface mobility
  - In-situ science with RSA, landers, rovers
  - JAXA lunar landers, rovers
  - Korean Space Agency

# Robotic Missions to the Moon: Just in the last decade: 2003 - 2013

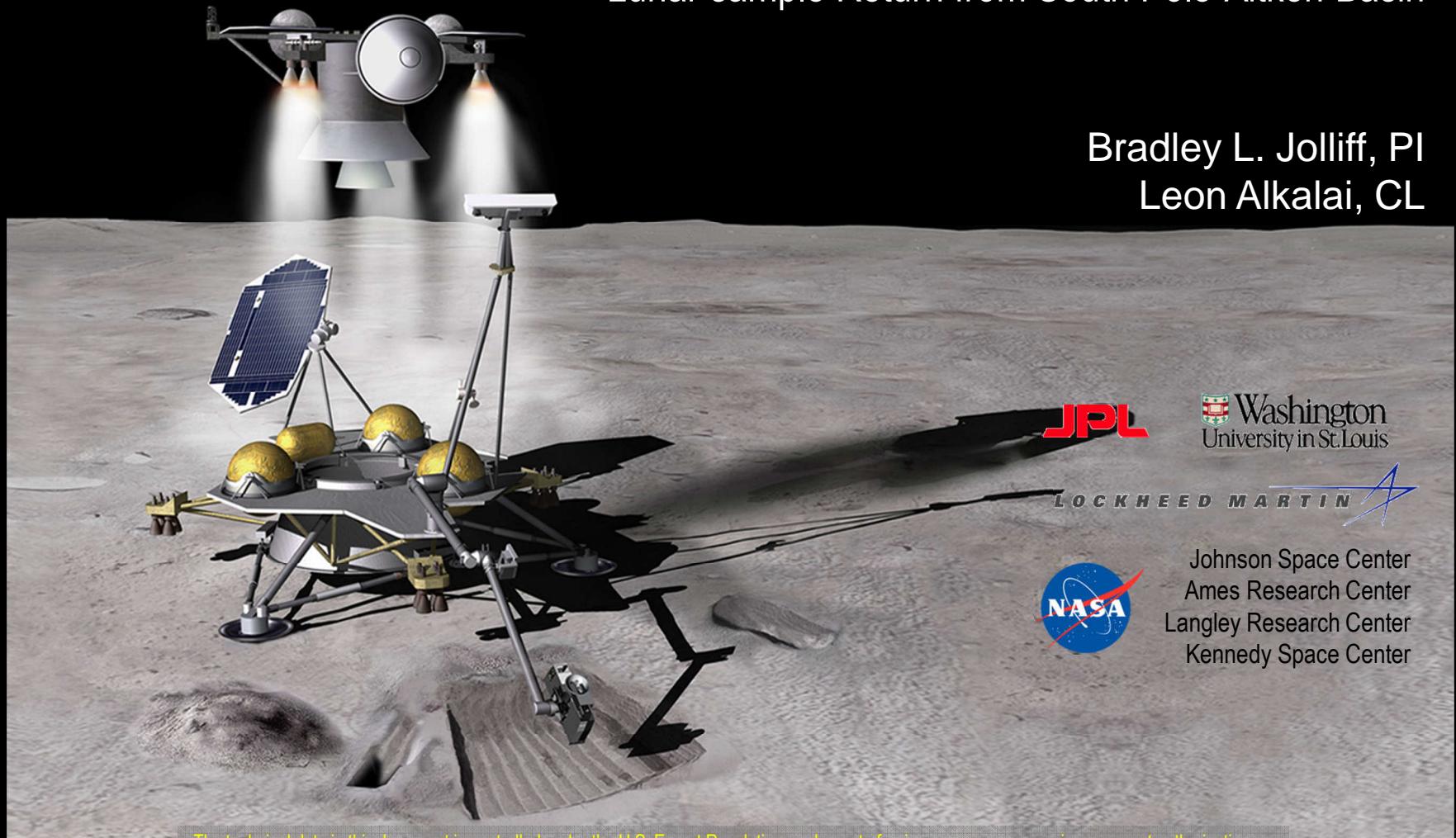
- Smart-1                    ESA                    September 2003
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  - M3, Mini-SAR           USA
- LRO                        USA                      June 2009
- LCROSS                    USA                      June 2009
- Chang'e-2                China                    October 2010
- GRAIL                     USA                      September 2011
- LADEE                     USA                      September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013

# GRAIL: Gravity Recovery And Interior Laboratory demonstrated 30 nm/s range rate measurement



# MoonRise

Lunar sample Return from South Pole-Aitken Basin

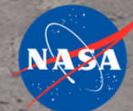


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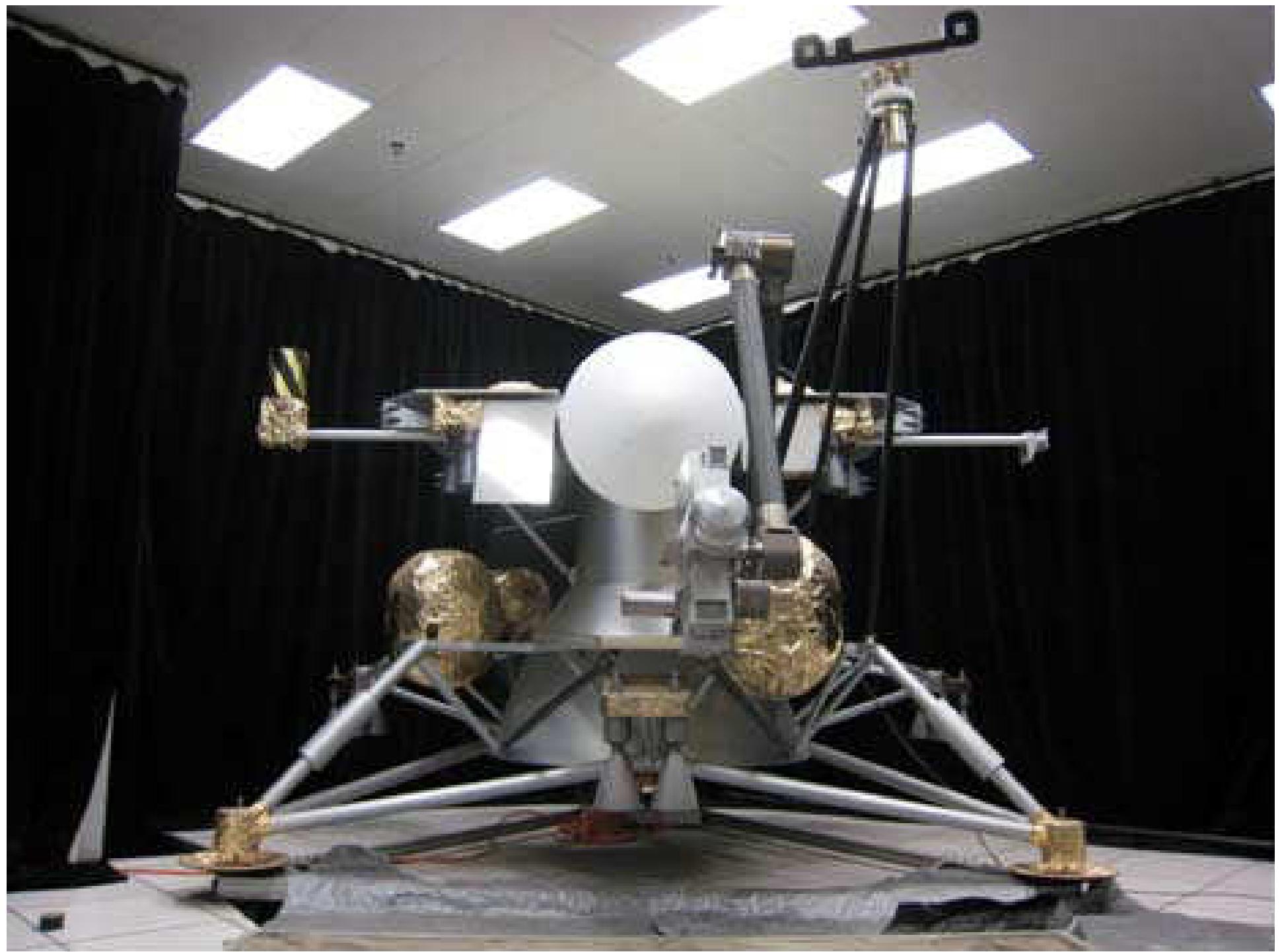
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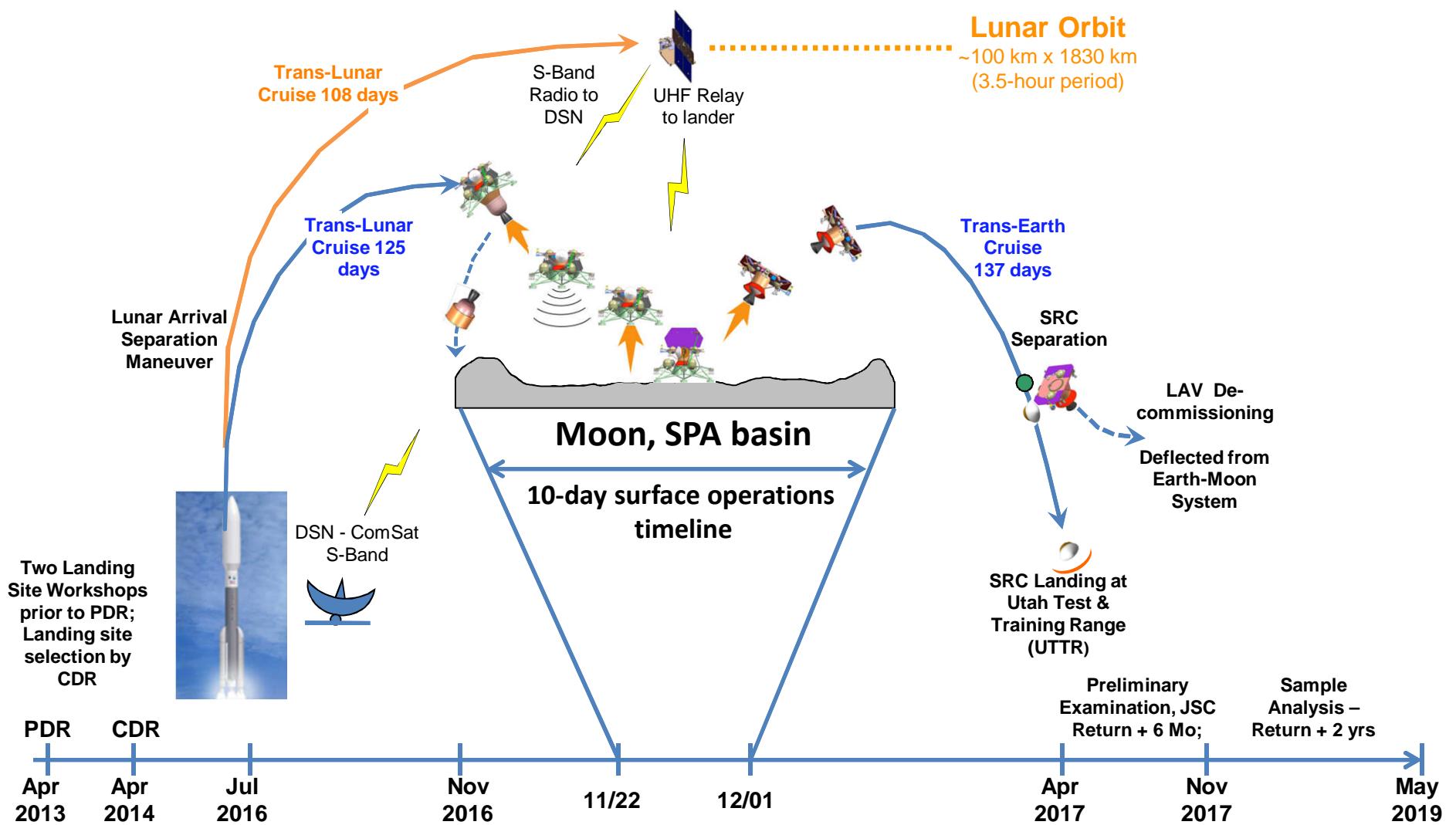
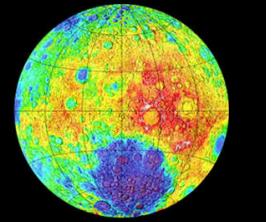
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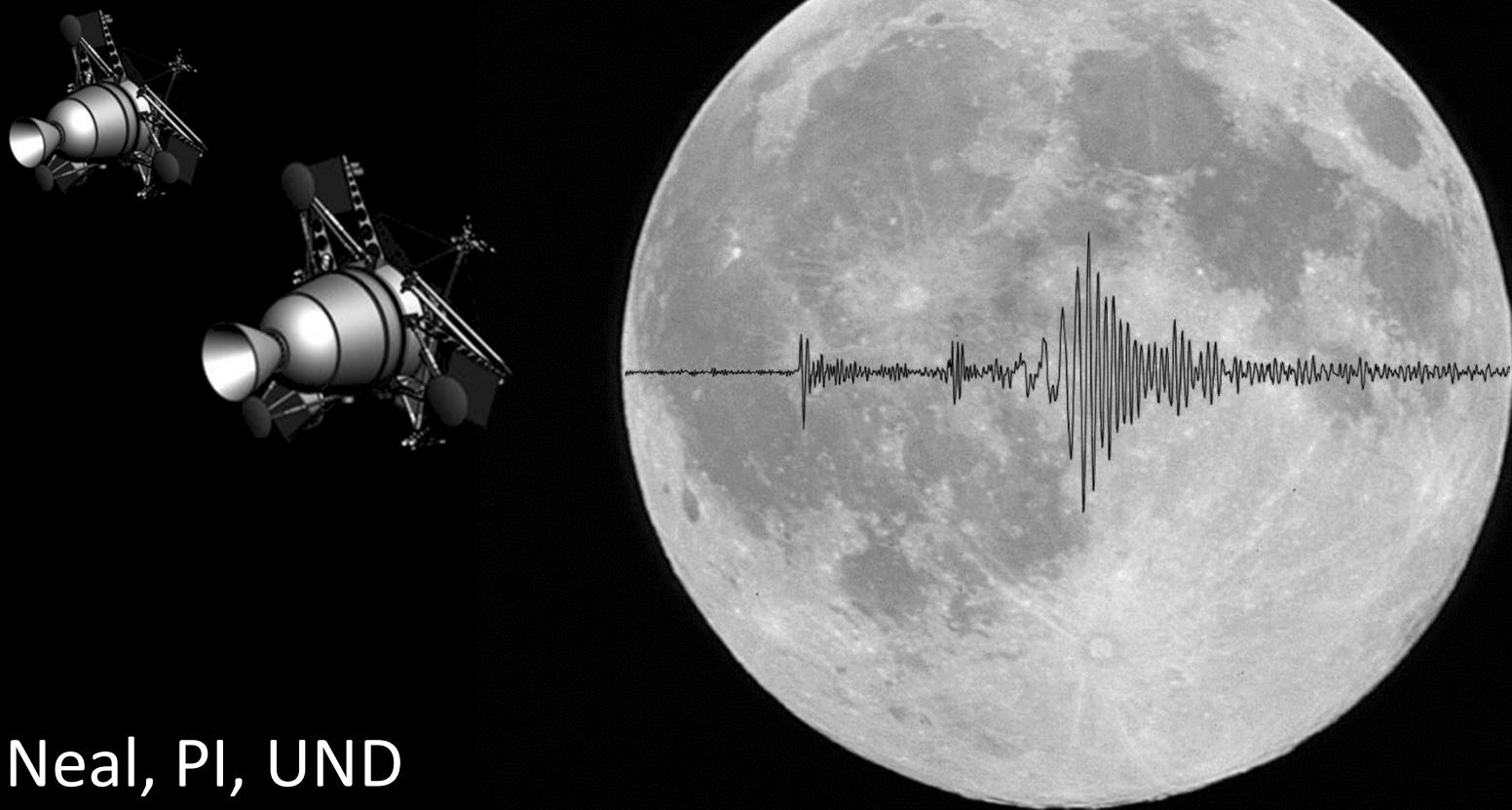


# Overview of MoonRise Mission



# Lunette

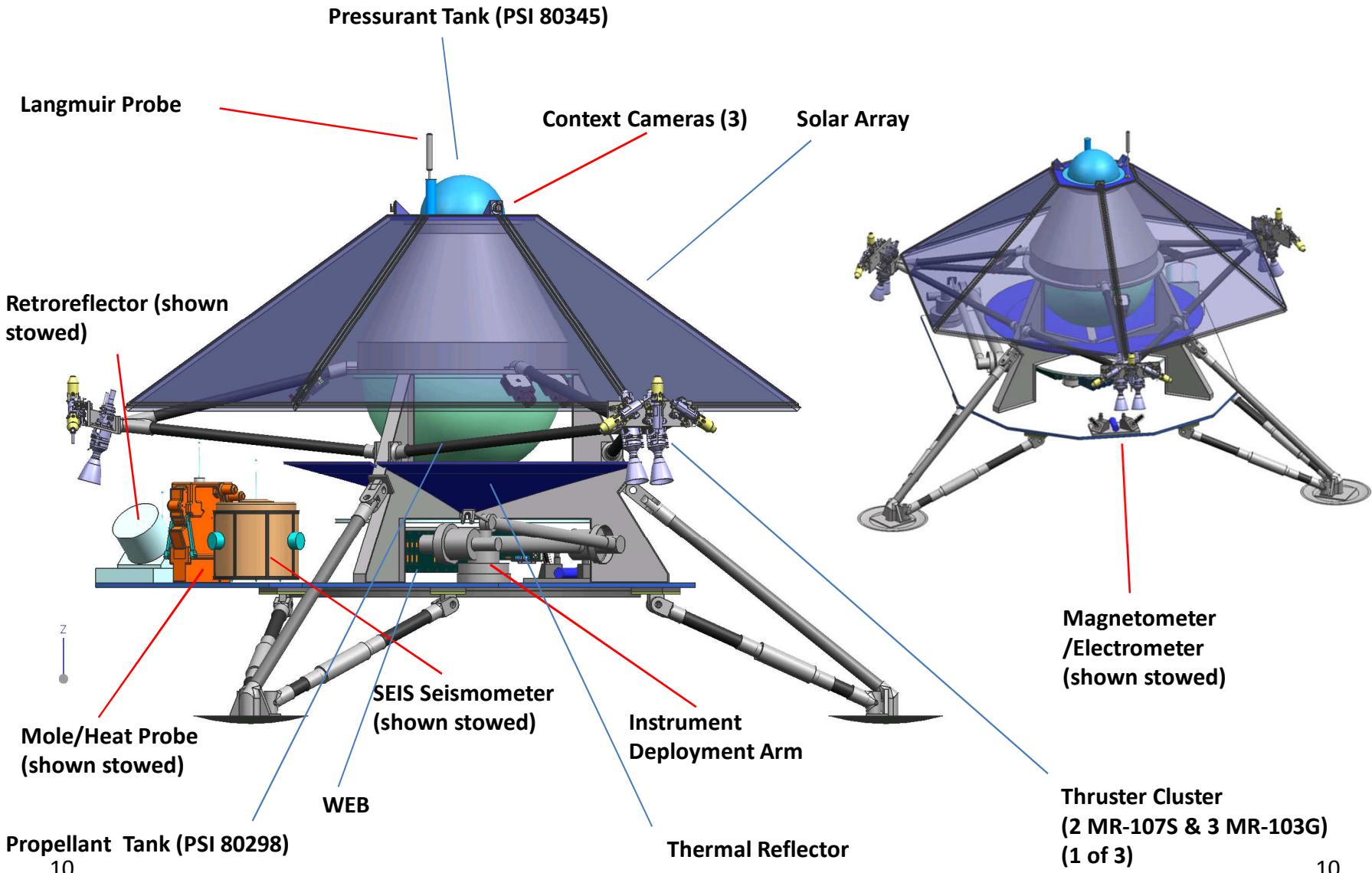
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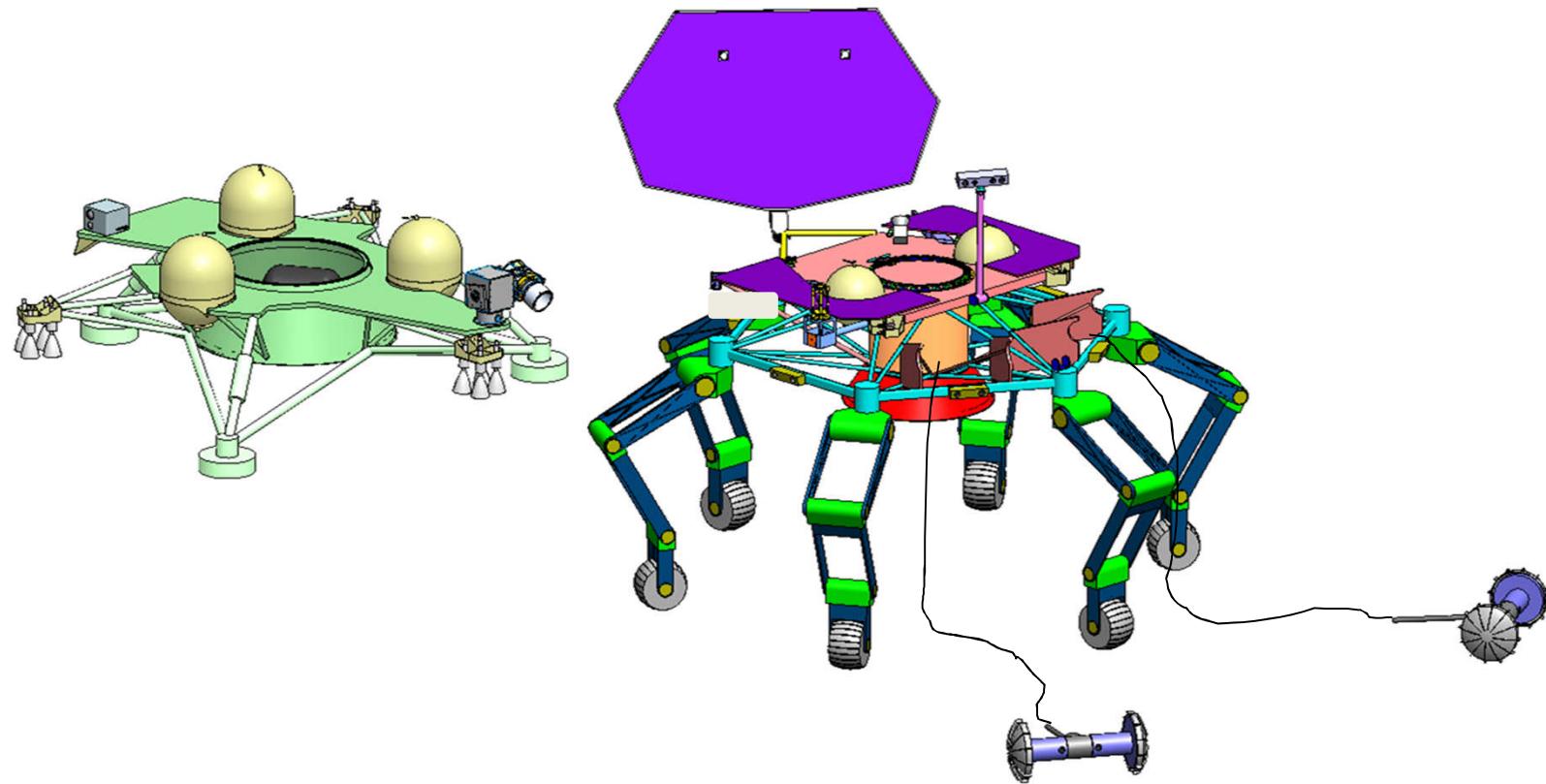


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# Lunette: Network of Small Lunar Landers

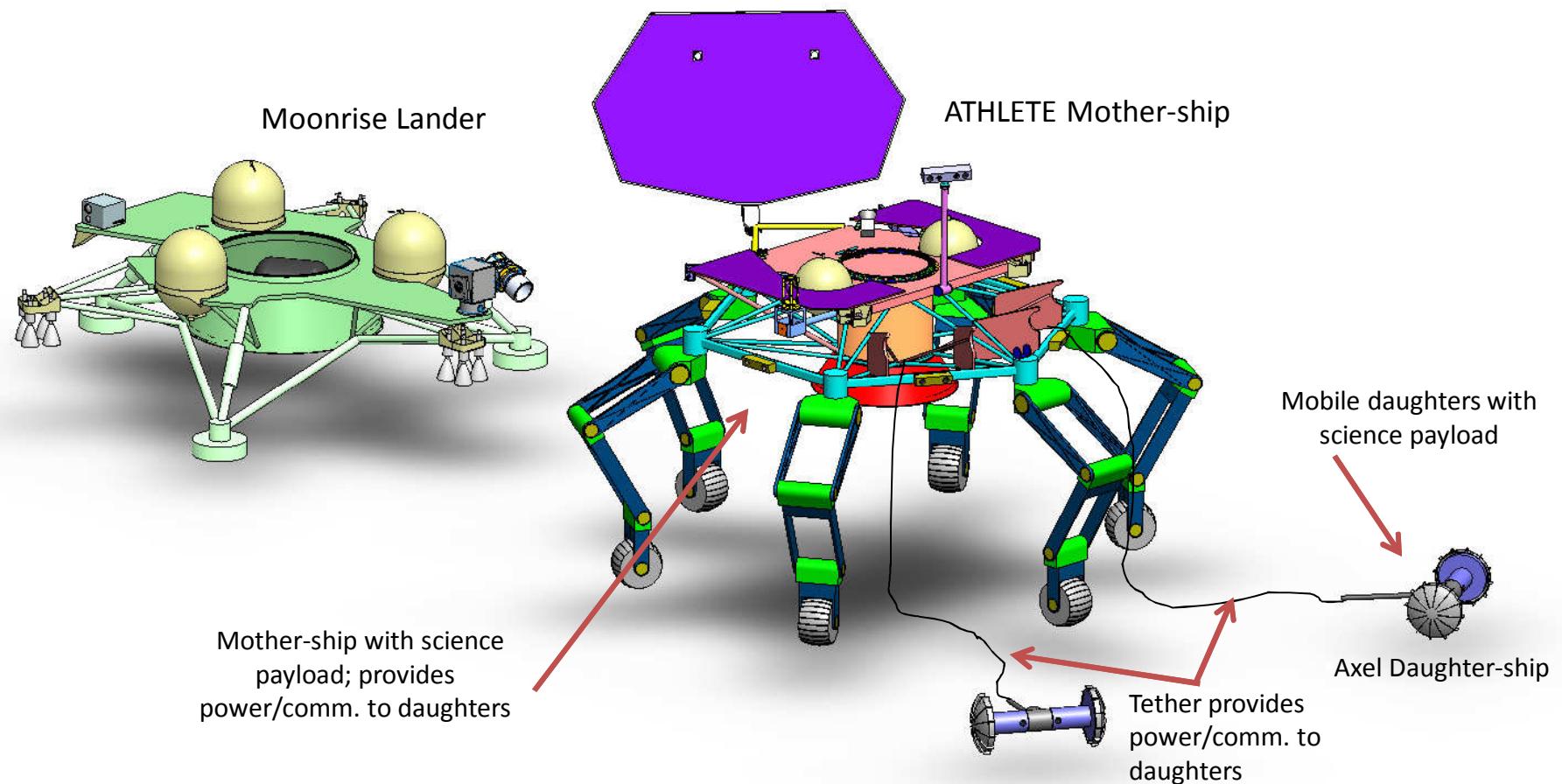




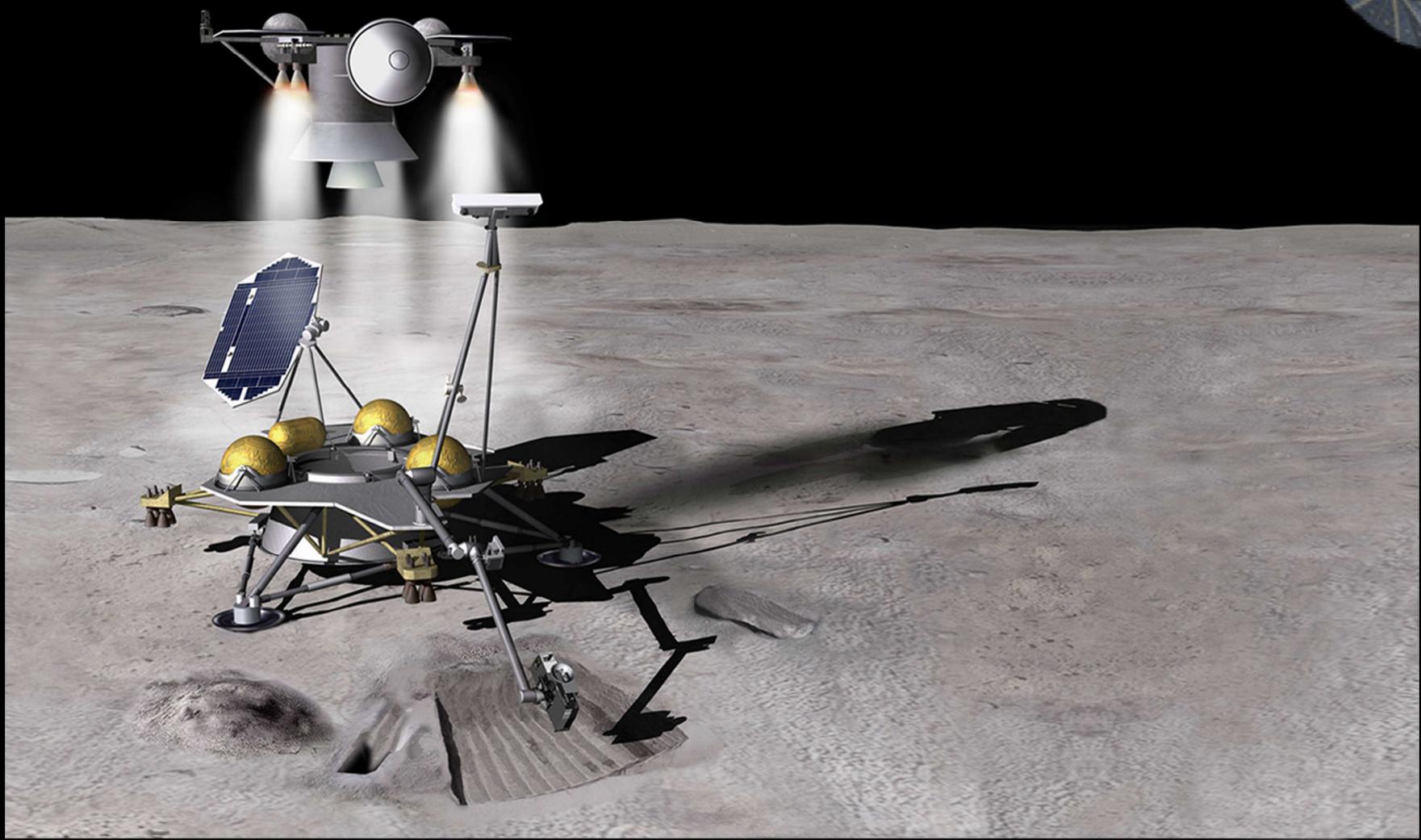
# Moon Ice Resource Abundance & Natural Distribution Assessment (MIRANDA)

Leon Alkalai, Ben Solish & George Chen

# Example of a Mother/daughter System

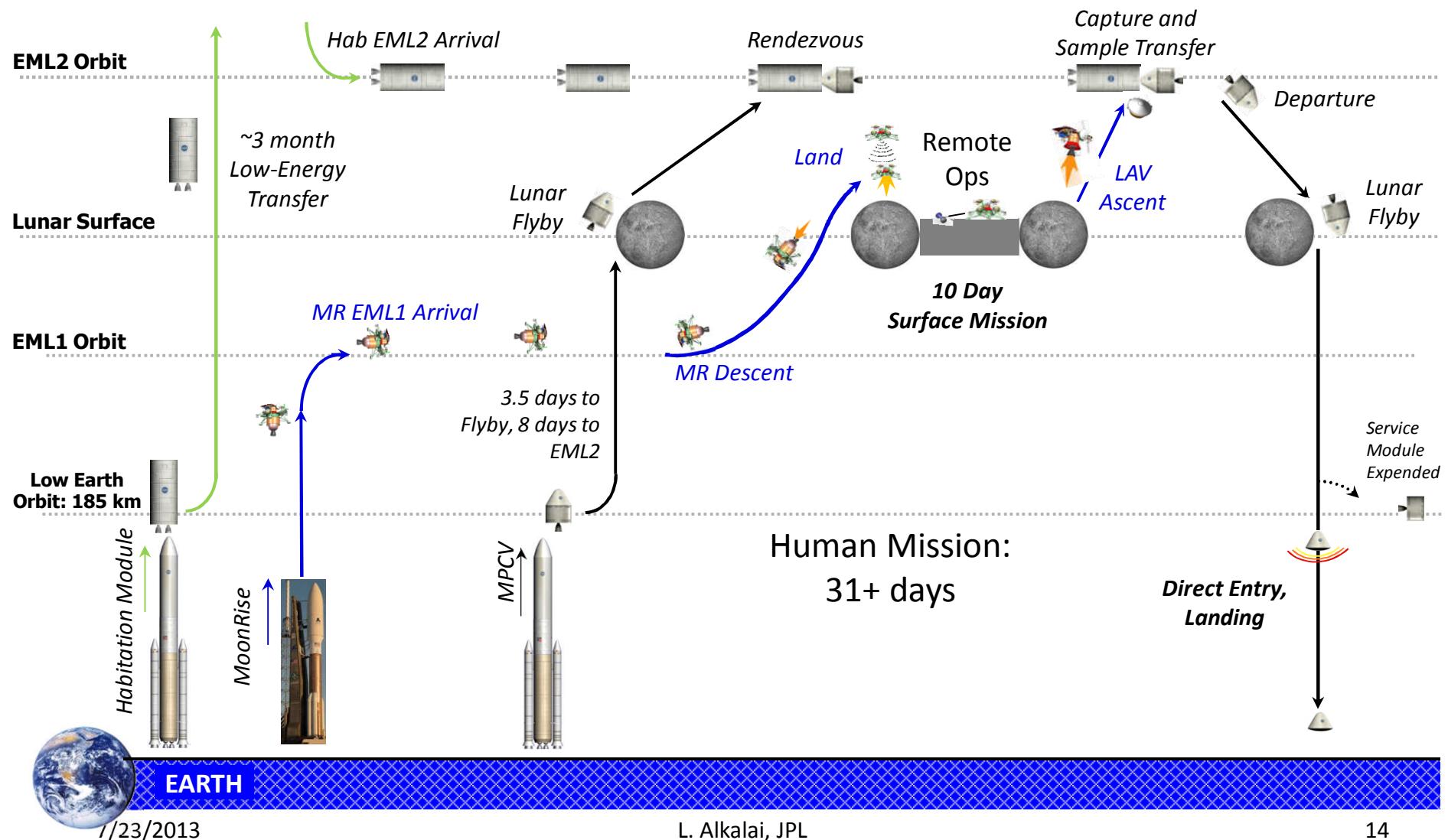


# ORION/MoonRise: Joint Human-Robotic LUNAR Sample Return Mission Concept



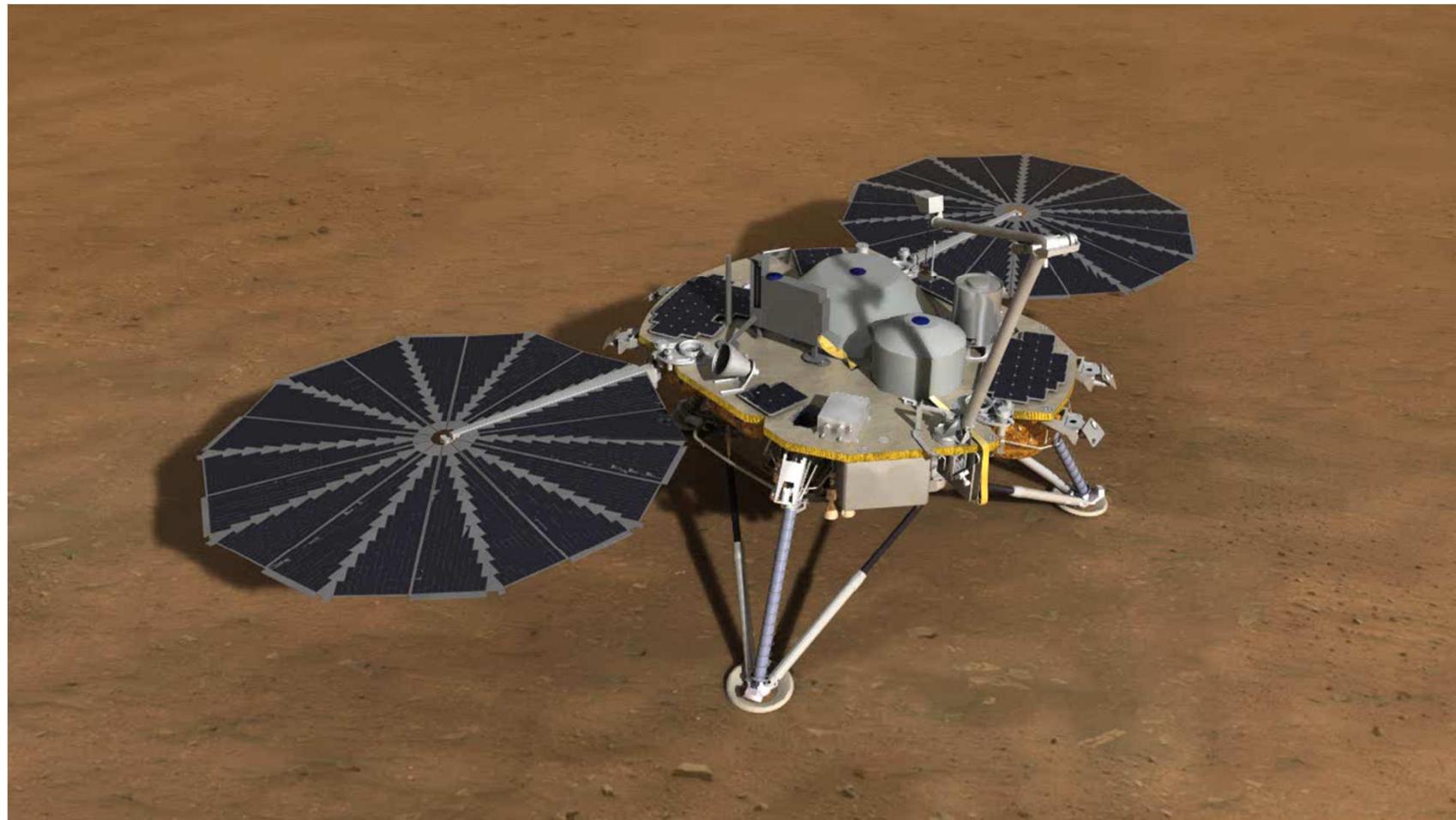
# Orion/MoonRise: Mission Architecture

(LEAG 2012, IEEE Aerospace 2013)





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# NASA Lunar Landers under development



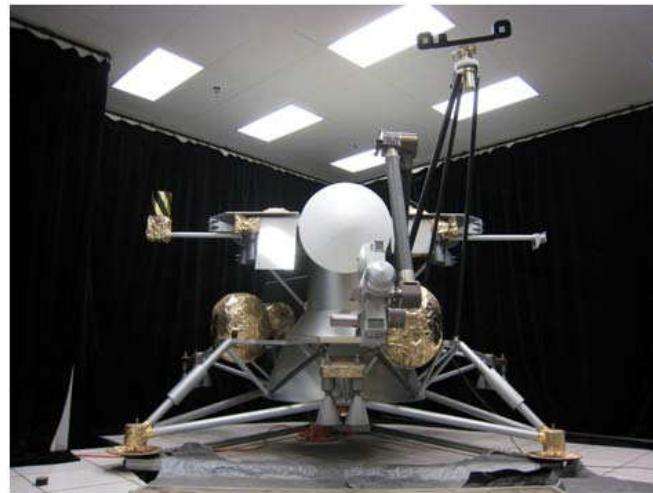
JSC: Morpheus Lunar Lander



MSFC & APL: Mighty Eagle Lunar Lander



ARC: LANDEE



JPL: MoonRise Lander & Sample Return Vehicle (SRV)

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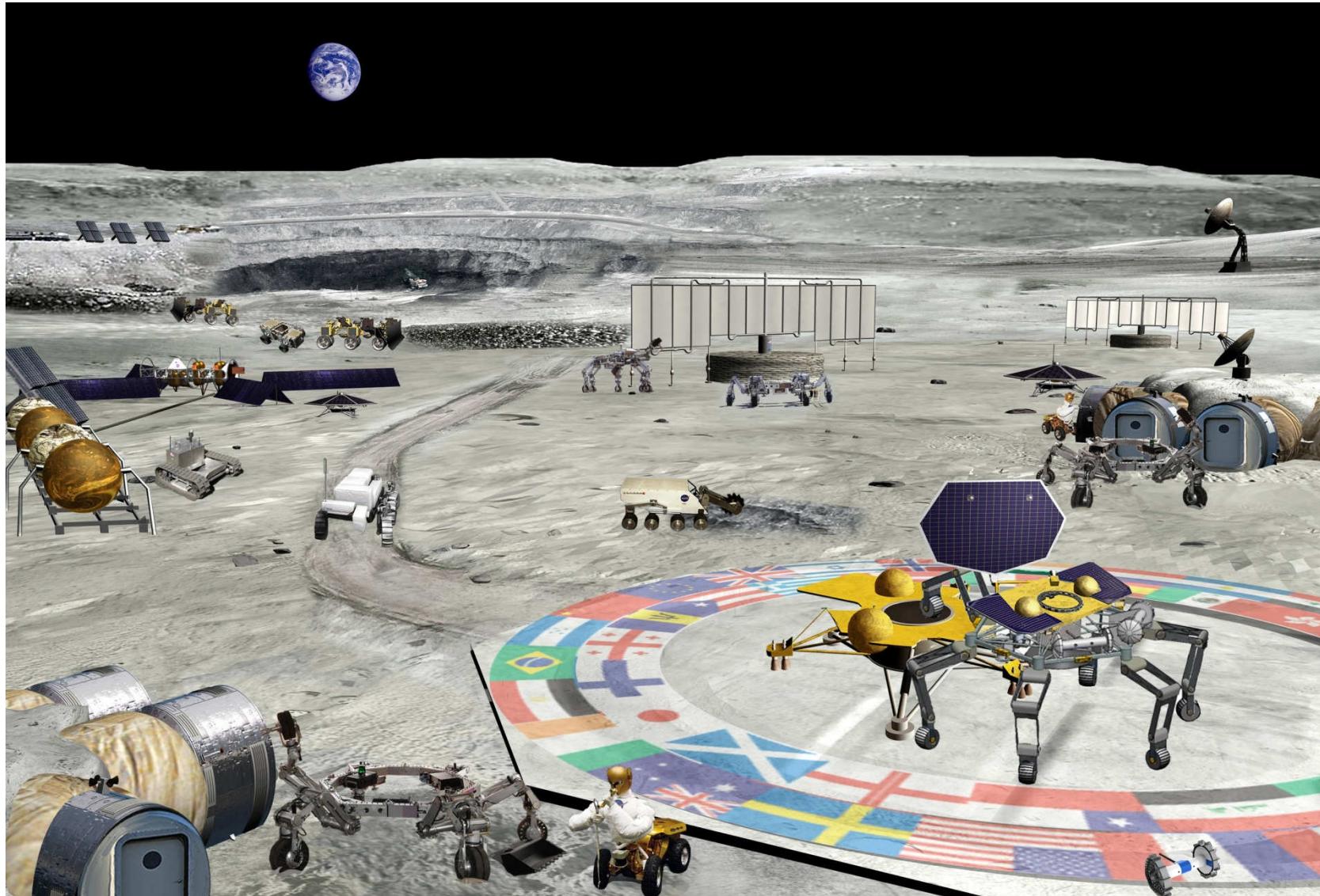
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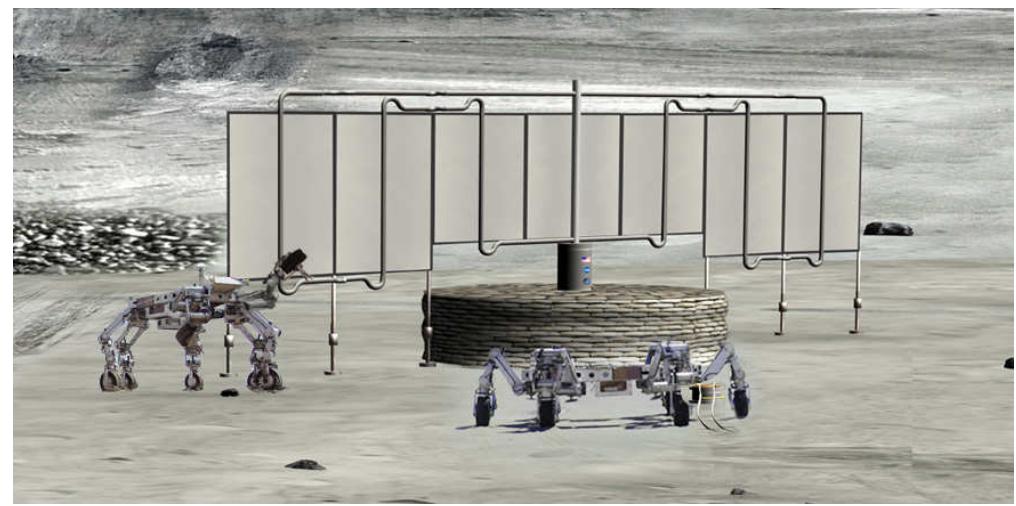
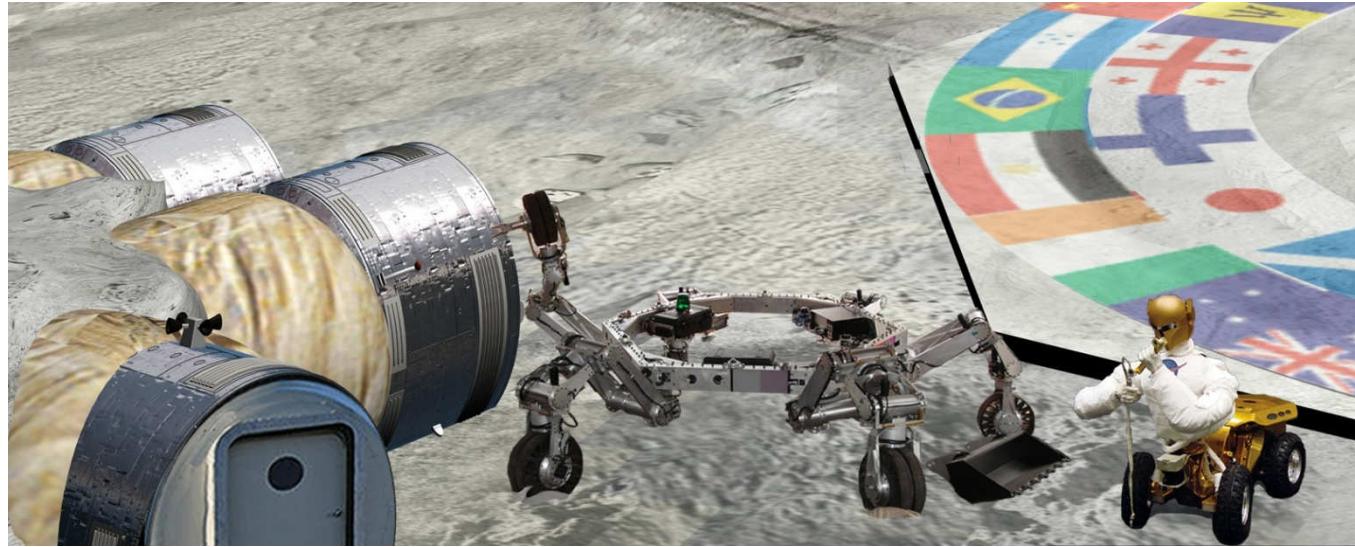


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