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Forecast of Distributed Spacecraft Technologies Supporting Code S Solar System Exploration

Distributed Spacecraft Technologies				
SSE Roadmap Area	Now	In 5 Years	In 10 Years	In 25 Years
Operability: Autonomous, self-sufficient machines Autonomous, precision GN&C Autonomous pointing & feature tracking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ground based sequencing of open-loop formation • No capability • Image motion compensation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On board sequencing of closed-loop formation • 2- vehicle autonomous precision GNC • Feature- based tracking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • on-board perception for multi vehicle • >5 vehicle 3D precision GNC for formations • Autonomous feature recognition and tracking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-organization and operation for fleets • Large fleets, constellations, and formation GNC • On board sensor fusion object construction
Communications: Improved, low-mass telecom components New deep-space telecom capabilities In Situ communications technologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low data rate capability • High latency • Limited range 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miniature telecom • Moderate data rate, low latency • Greater than 10 km range 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hi data rate (video BW) • Nano second latency • Greater than 1000Km range 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPS type network around other planets • Evolveable networks • Short and long range heterogeneous communication systems
Transportation and Mobility: Autonomous GN&C for Aerobots GN&C Autonomy for Aerocapture Autonomous pointing& feature tracking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited studies and demos • Limited GNC methodologies • Coarse pointing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trajectory control • Multi asset target recognition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coarse formation GNC • On board Sensor fusion 	TBD
Mission Timeline	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>Pluto Express, Mars Missions, Europa Lander, MUSES-CN</p> </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>Mars, Venus Aerobots Outer Planet Missions Neptune Orbiter, Mars Orbiter</p> </div> </div>			