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Trajectory Is a Key Space Technology

- Trajectory Is Not a "DEAD" Subject
 - Golden Age of Trajectory Technology Just Around Corner
- Trajectory Is a Mission-Enabling, *Intellectual* Technology
 - Not All Technology Is Hardware!
- Space H/W Technology and Trajectory *MUST* Develop Side by Side
 - Like "Rail Road Tracks" for the Train
 - Example: Ion Engines Have Been Around a Long Time, Their Use Have Been Limited by the Lack of 'Low Thrust' Trajectory Design Tools

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Outline

- The InterPlanetary Superhighway (IPS)
- A New Paradigm for the Solar System
- Low Energy Orbits for Space Missions

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How It All Began: ISEE3/ICE

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ISEE3 MANEUVERS FROM LAUNCH TO HALO ORBIT TO COMET EXPLORATION

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Current Libration Missions

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Lagrange Points in Earth's Neighborhood

- Every 3 Body System Has 5 Fixed Points Called Lagrange Points
 - Earth-Moon-S/C: LL_1, LL_2, \dots, LL_5
 - Sun-Earth-S/C: EL_1, EL_2, \dots
- They Generate the InterPlanetary Superhighway

To Sun

1.5 Million KM

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Orbital Zoology Near the Lagrange Points

S: Sun Region
J: Jupiter Region
X: Exterior Region
(Outside Jupiter's Orbit)

- Four Families of Orbits, Conley [1968], McGehee [1969], Ref. Paper
- Periodic Orbit (Planar Lyapunov)
- Spiral Asymptotic Orbit (Stable Manifold Pictured)
- Transit Orbits (**MUST PASS THRU LYAPUNOV ORBIT**)
- Non-Transit Orbits (May Transit After Several Revolutions)

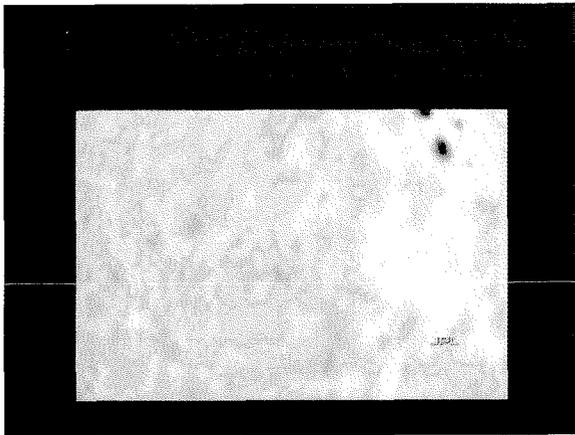
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Generated by Stable & Unstable Manifolds of Unstable Libration Orbits

- Unstable Periodic Orbits
 - Generate the Tubes
 - Portals to the Tubes
- The Tubes Govern Transport
 - Transport Must Occur Thru Tubes
 - Systematically Map Out Orbit Space
- Green Tube = Stable Manifold: Orbits Approach the L₁ Periodic Orbit, No ΔV Needed
- Red Tube = Unstable Manifold: Orbits Leave the L₁ Periodic Orbit

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Nominal Trajectory NO Deterministic ΔV!

1	Launch	01:03:01
2	TCM-1	01:07:01
3	TCM-2	01:14:01
4	TCM-3	01:21:01
5	TCM-4	04:13:01
6	Main Orbit Insertion (TCM-5)	04:23:01
7	Begin Science Phase	04:30:01
8	End Science Phase	02:22:02
9	Main Orbit Departure (TCM-6)	04:01:02
10	TCM-7	04:12:02
11	TCM-8	05:10:02
12	TCM-9	05:20:02
13	TCM-10	06:06:02
14	TCM-11	06:16:02
15	Entry	06:16:02
16	Backup Entry	06:07:02

Axis, in millions of kilometers:
X = Sun-Earth Line, positive anti-sun
Y = (Z) × (X)
Z = Ecliptic Normal

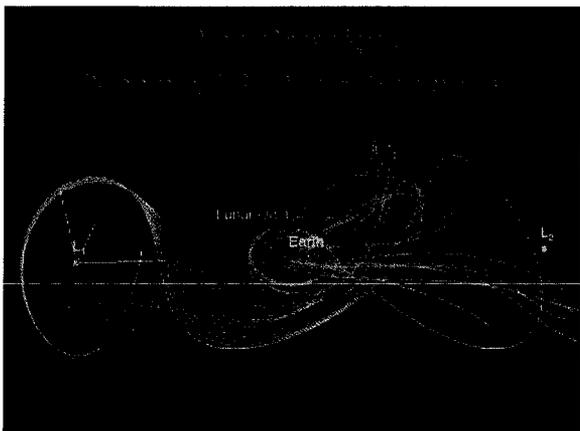
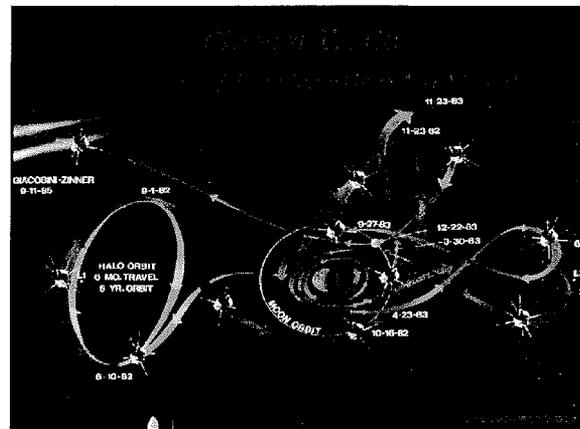
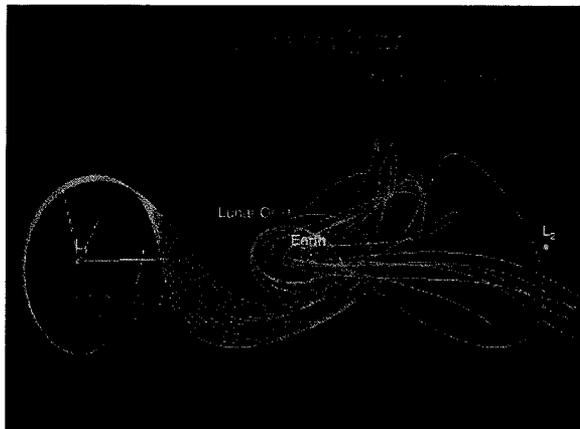
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Genesis Mission Design Collaboration

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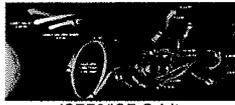
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Why Dynamical Systems Theory?

- Traditional Approach
 - Requires First Hand Numerical Knowledge of Phase Space
 - Each Trajectory Must Be Computed Manually (VERY SLOW)
 - Cannot Perform Extensive Parametric Study or Montecarlo Simulation
 - Optimization Difficult, Nearly Impossible
- Dynamical Systems Theory Provides
 - S/W Automatic Generation of Trajectories
 - S/W Automatically Maps Out Phase Space Structures
 - Near Optimum Trajectory
 - Automatable Parametric Studies & Montecarlo Simulations



ISEE3/ICE Orbit



Genesis Unstable Manifold

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LTool Reduced Genesis End-to-End Orbit Design from 8-12 Weeks to 1 Day

Trade Parameters	LTool Funding Level Options			
	0	1.72 M	2.3 M	3.4 M
Total Cost (Millions of Dollars)	0	1.72 M	2.3 M	3.4 M
Tool Cost	0	1 M	2.3 M	3.4 M
Increase Funding to Genesis Mission Design Workforce	0	0.72 M (4 WY)	0	0
Genesis Operational Tool at JPL (% of JPL)	50%	75%	100%	100%
Genesis Mission Design Update Parametric Time	8-12 Weeks	1-2 Week	1 Day	1 Day
Genesis Nominal Mission Design Work (% Planned Work Accomplished)	25%	100%	100%	100%
Genesis Contingency Analysis Work	Current Genesis Mission Design Budget Plan Includes Only Contingency Analysis for Launch Error (<3 σ)			
Genesis Contingency Analysis Capability	Some < 3 σ	< 3 σ	3 σ	> 3 σ
Genesis Mission Design Risk	High Risk	Medium Risk	Low Risk	Low Risk
Mission Support	None	None	None	General
Advanced Mission Support Infrastructure	None	None	None	Yes

We Did It!

High Complexity: Tool use requires extensive training, process is time-consuming and error-prone.
 Low Complexity: Tool enables users to work at higher level, reduces time, error, and complexity.
 Very Limited: Provides infrastructure and tools adaptable for future missions with additional funding.

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LTool Supported Genesis Launch Delay

- Genesis Launch Delayed from 2/01 to 8/01
- LTool Enabled Designers to Replan Genesis Mission in 1 Week
- Without LTool, Genesis Would Require Costly Additional Delay
- LTool and Dynamical Systems Contributed Significantly to Genesis' Successful Launch on 8/8/2001.



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Earth Flyby & Capture

Genesis Earth Return Via L_2

Escape to SIRT F Earth Transfer Orbits

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Tunneling Through Phase Space Via IPS

Forbidden Region

Stable Manifold

Unstable Manifold

Intersection Region

$\Delta_{x,y} = (X,J,S)$

Stable Manifold Cut

Unstable Manifold Cut

- Cross Section of Tube Intersection Partitions Global Behavior
 - Yellow Region Tunnels Through from X Through J to S Regions
 - Green Circle: J to S Region, Red Circle: X to J Region
 - Genesis-Type Trajectory Between L_2 and L_1 Halo Orbits (Heteroclinic)

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Construction of Rapid Transition

Rapid Transition

- Manifold Intersections Computed Via Poincare Sections
- Reduce Dimension by 1, Tube Becomes Circle
- Intersections Provide Transit Orbits from L_2 to L_1

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Construction of Capture Orbits

Tube of Transient Orbits

Ballistic Capture Orbit

Forbidden Region

Stable Manifold

Unstable Manifold

Passes Through L_2 by orbiting it region

- Manifold Intersections Computed Via Poincare Sections
- Reduce Dimension by 1, Tube Becomes Circle

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Construction of Heteroclinic Orbits

Poincare Cuts

Stable Manifold

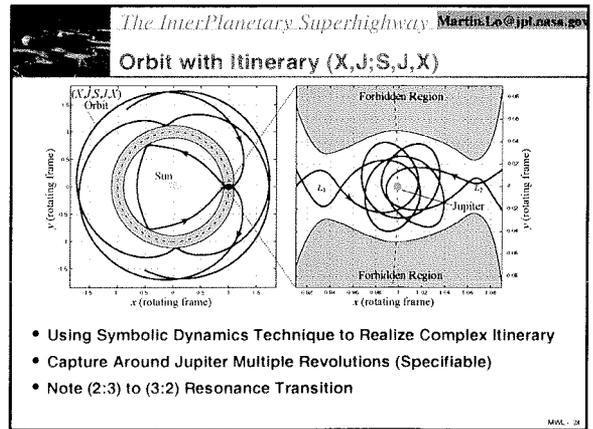
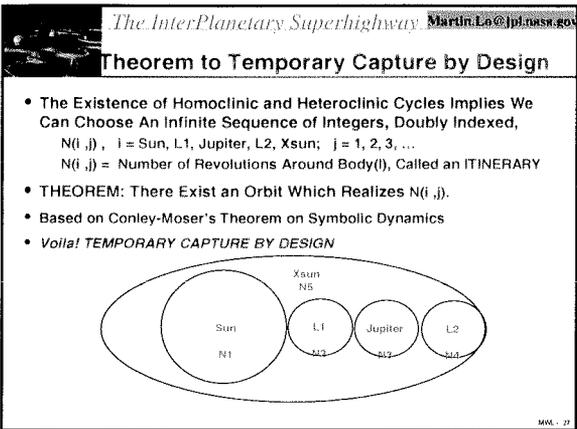
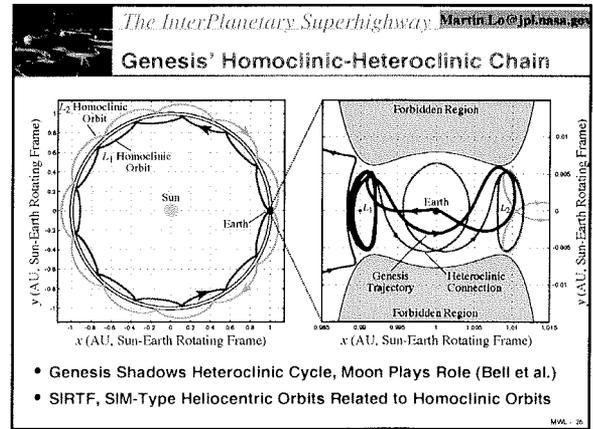
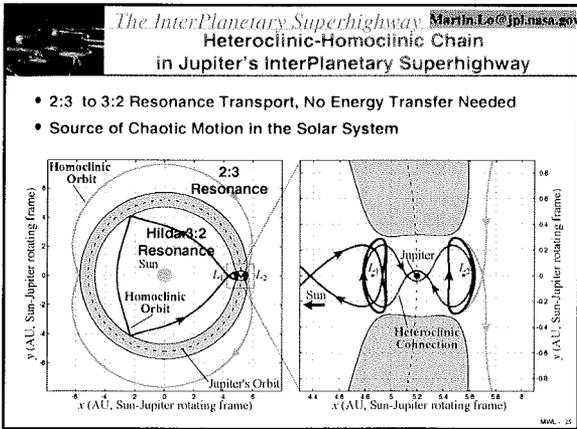
Unstable Manifold

Heteroclinic Intersection

Heteroclinic Connection

- Manifold Intersections Computed Via Poincare Sections
- Reduce Dimension by 1, Tube Becomes Circle
 - Green Circle Leaves J to S Region
 - Red Circle Enters J from X Region
- Intersections Provide Transit Orbits from L_2 to L_1

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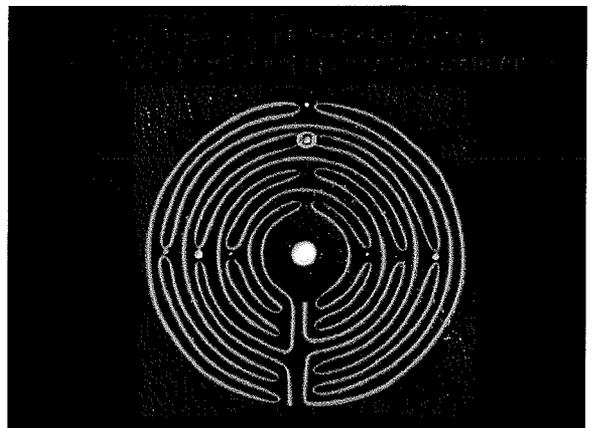


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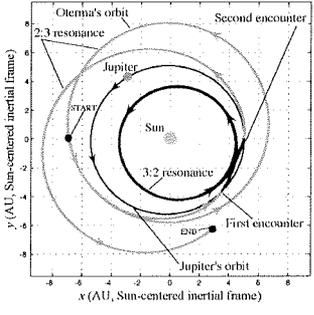
IPS a New Paradigm of the Solar System

- InterPlanetary Superhighway Connects Entire Solar System
 - Instead of Planets In Isolated Separate Conic Orbits
 - Solar System Is An Organic and Integrated Whole Where Each Part Is Communicating with One Another
 - Governs Transport and Morphology of Materials
- Shape Morphology of Rings and Belts
- Contributes to Theory of Motions of Comets, Asteroids, Dust
- Governs Planetary Impacts from Asteroids and Comets
 - ShoemakerLevy9 Followed Jupiter IPS to Final Impacts
 - Genesis Trajectory Is an Impact Trajectory
 - 1% of Near Earth Objects In Energy Regime of Genesis Trajectory, Considered Most Danagerous
- This Theory Contributes to Understanding of our Origins

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Examples from Nature: Comet Oterma

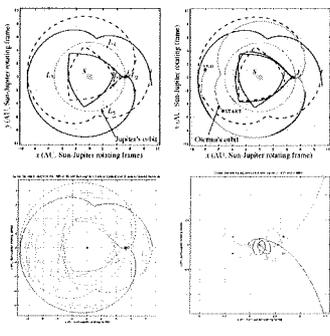


- Theme: Use Natural Dynamics to Optimize ΔV for Space Missions:
 - Genesis 6 m/s Det. ΔV
- Jupiter Family Comets
- (2:3) to (3:2) Free Resonance Transition
- Temporary Capture
- L_1, L_2 as Gate Keeper
- What Is Source of Chaotic Dynamics?

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L_1, L_2 Manifolds and Comet Orbits

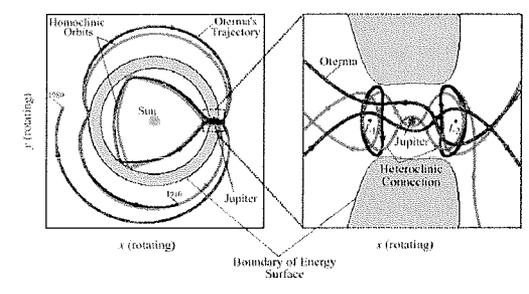


- L_1, L_2 Manifolds Have (2:3) to (3:2) Resonance Transitions
- Manifolds Match Oterma's Orbit Well
- Also Matches Gehrels3 Orbits
 - Temporary Capture
 - Near Halo Orbit
- L_1, L_2 Manifolds Are DNA of This Dynamics
- Need to Study Invariant Manifold Structure

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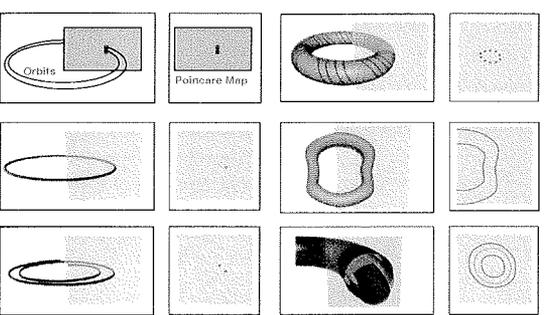
Comet Oterma Shadows Jupiter's Heteroclinic-Homoclinic Cycles



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Mapping the Orbit Space Using Poincare Sections



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Poincare Section of Jupiter's IPS

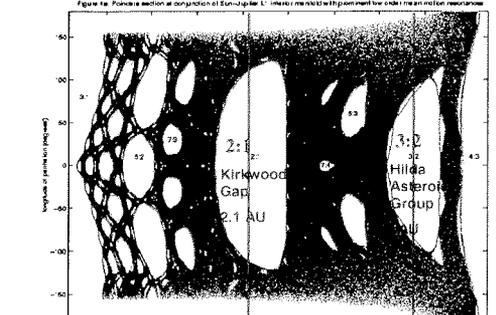
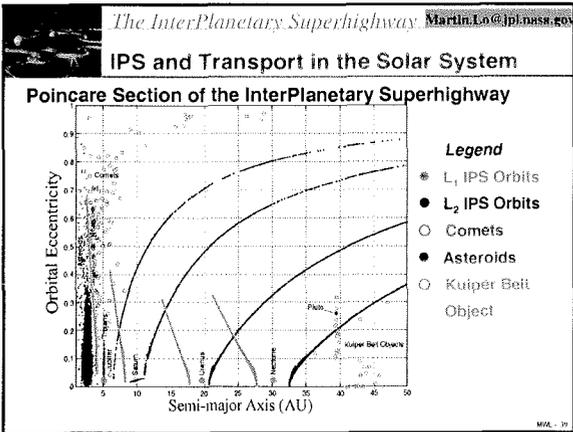
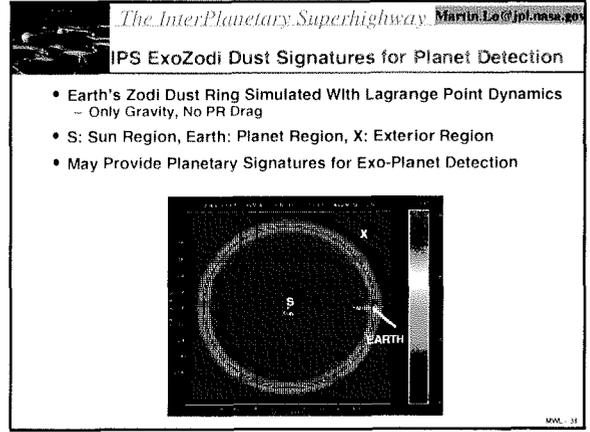
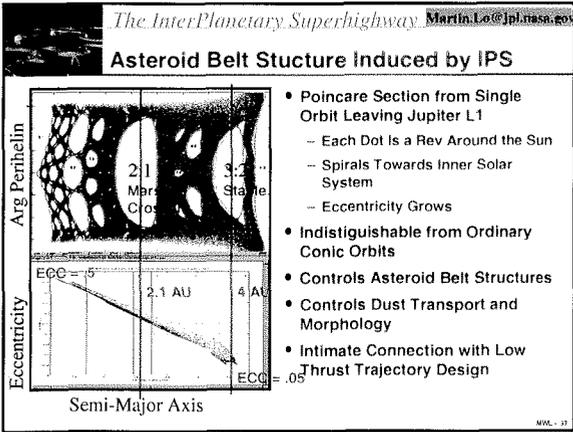


Figure 14. Poincare section at conjunction of Sun-Jupiter L_1 manifolds reveals the prominent low order mean motion resonances.

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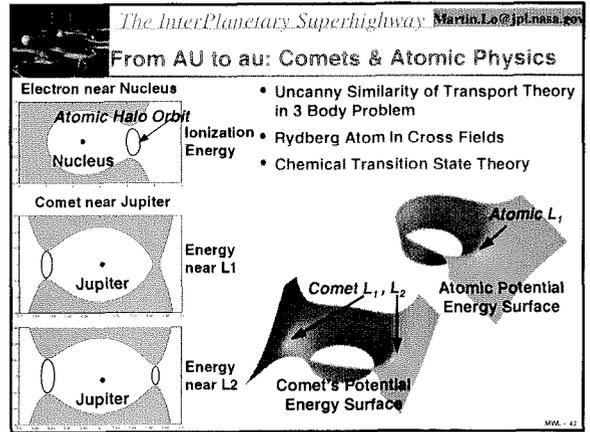
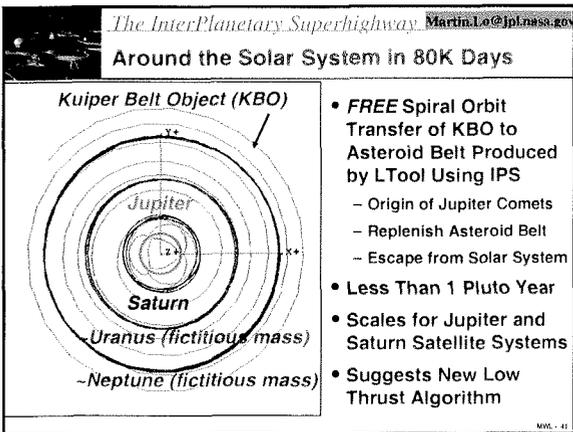


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Discovery of InterPlanetary Superhighway

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Mars Meteorite

Location: Zagami, Nigeria
Fall: October 3, 1962
Type: Ca-rich achondrite shergottite: SNC

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Asteroid Transport Rate Near Mars*

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◀ * To appear in "Physical Review Letters"

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SL9 Impact Via Jovian IPS

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River of Life: Astrobiology

Element Formation In Stars

Planetary System Formation

The Big Bang

Forming Earth-like Planets

Forming Jupiter-like Planets

Chemistry of Life

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1% Near Earth Objects Have IPS Energies

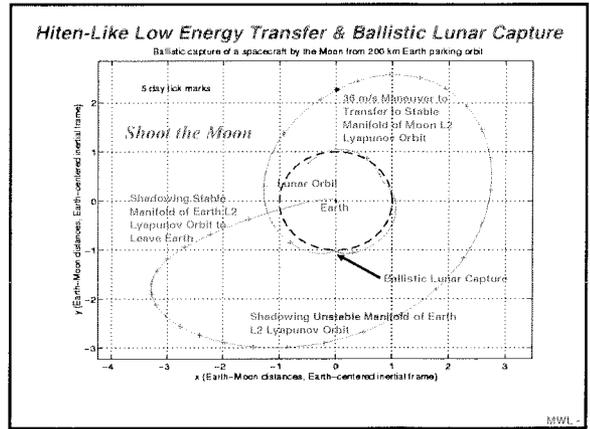
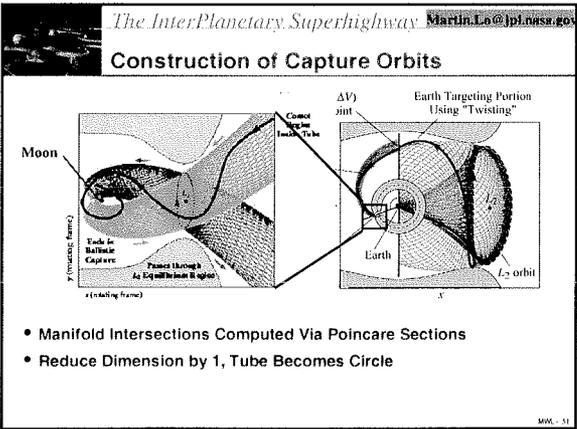
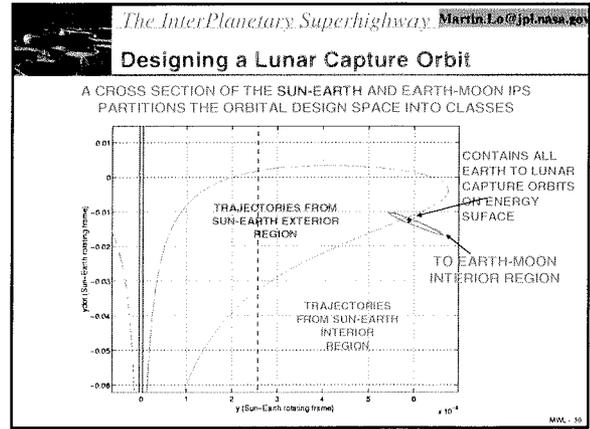
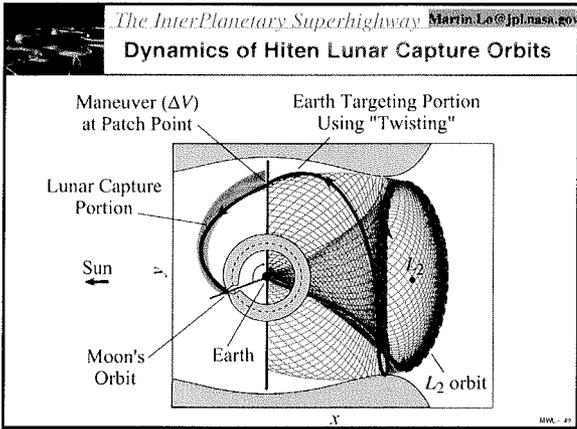
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IPS and Development of Life: Exobiology

- InterPlanetary Superhighway Brought Life Building Material from Comets and Asteroids to Earth
- InetrPlanetary Superhighway May Have Brought the Asteroid Killing the Dinosaurs Via a Genesis-Like Orbit
 - Presence of Abundant Iridium Implies Slow Impact Velocity
 - Conjectured by Mike Mueller et al (Nemesis Star)
- InterPnaetary Superhighway Theory Can Provide Critical Transport Rates for Astrobiology
 - How Rates Determine Formation of Life on a Planet
 - Can Rates Be Obtained from ExoZodi Signatures to Find Potential Life Bearing ExoPlanets?

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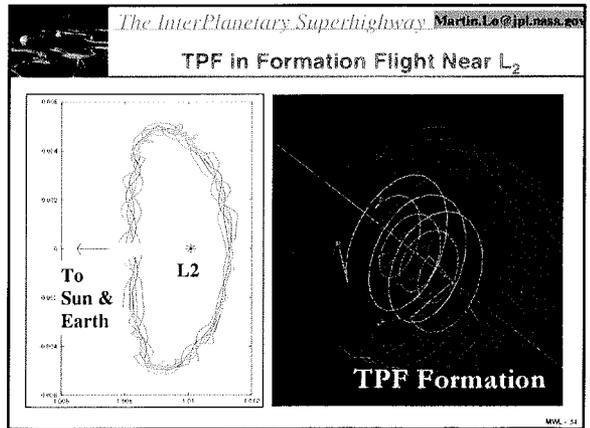


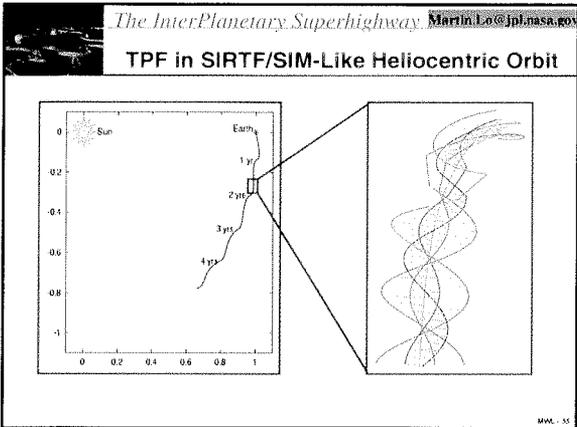
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Shoot the Moon: Lunar Capture

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First Formation Flight Design Around L_2

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Problem: Human Service to Libration Missions

- ISSUE: 3 Months Transfers to EL_2 Too Long for Humans
- Short Transfers Too Difficult
- Infrastructure Too Expensive

STA-103 astronauts replaced gyros needed for orientation of the Hubble Space Telescope.

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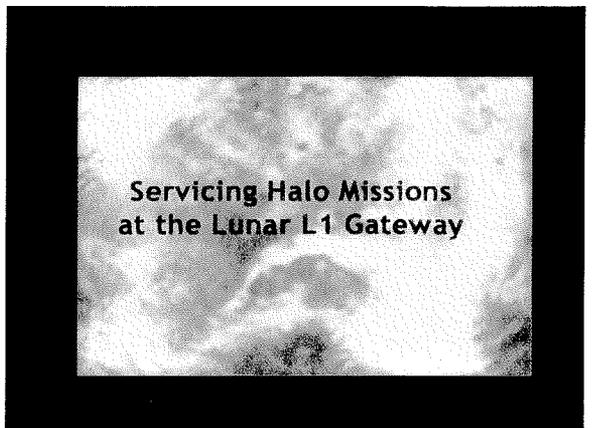
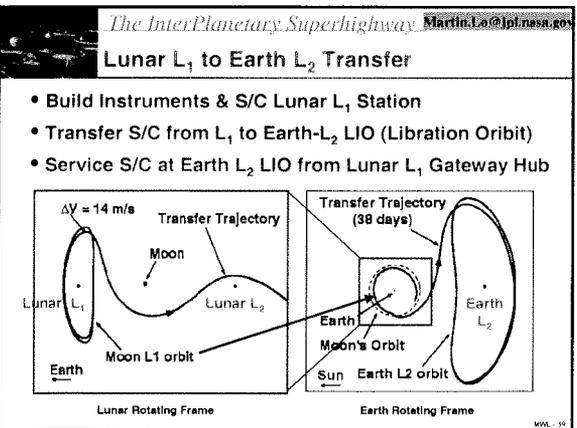
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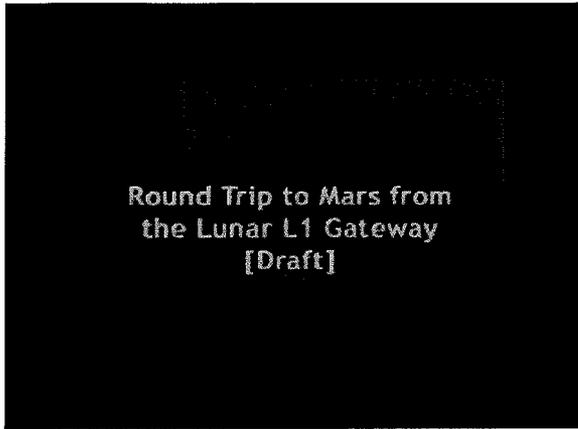
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Solution: Human Servicing at Lunar L_1 Gateway

- Build Instruments & S/C Lunar L_1 Gateway for EL_2
- Service S/C at Earth L_2 from Lunar L_1 Gateway Module

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Lunar L₁ Gateway Human Servicing

Mission Concept Development and Design

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Initial Trajectory Design (2D, Coupled RTBP Model)

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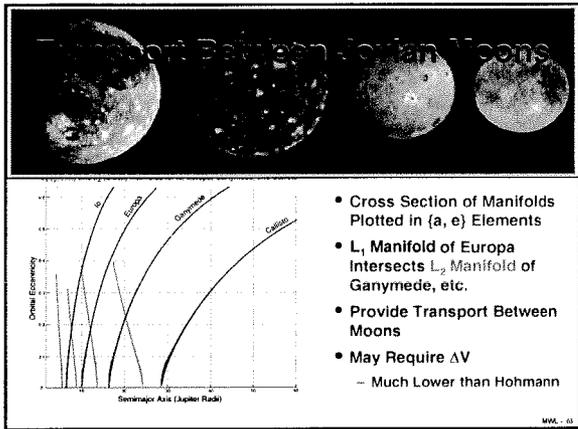
Detailed Trajectory Design (3D, Full Ephemeris Model)

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Animation

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Petit Grand Tour of Jovian Moons

Mission Concept

- ◌ Flexible Itinerary, Visit Jovian Moons In Any Order
- ◌ User Low Energy Transfer, Capture, Impact
- ◌ Near Circular Orbits Reduce Jupiter Radiation

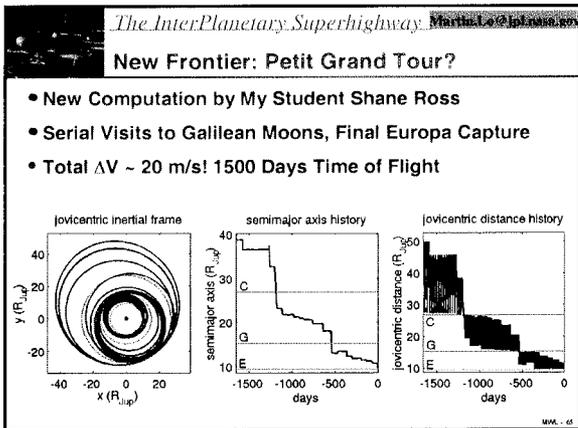
Proof of Concept Point Design Using the Interplanetary Superhighway

- ◌ 25 Day Transfer from Ganymede to Europa
- ◌ Requires DV of 1452 m/s!
- ◌ Compare to Hohmann Transfer of 2822 m/s!

Free Capture by Europa for 4 Orbits (More Possible)

- ◌ Tour Also Available for Saturn's Moons
- ◌ Applicable to Europa/Titan Orbiter, Lander, & Other Outer Planets Missions

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Shoot the Moon: Lunar Capture

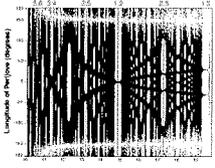
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New Approach to Low Thrust Orbits

- To Design Low Thrust Orbits, You Must Understand IPS
- Computed from Single Orbit Leaving Europa L2
 - Each Dot Is a Rev Around Jupiter
 - Spirals Towards Europa
 - Eccentricity Grows
- Full of Useful Unstable Orbits
 - Similar to L1/L2 Halo's
 - More Tubes!
- Indistinguishable from Conic Orbits
- New Low Thrust Trajectory Design
 - Use This Transition as First Guess



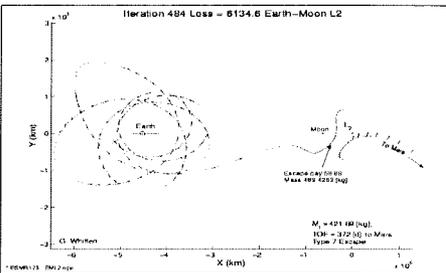
Europa's IPS

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Low Thrust Orbit Naturally Uses IPS!

- Low Thrust Transfer to Mars Via Lunar L1 to L2 Transfer
- Courtesy of G. Whiffen Computed by MYSTIC

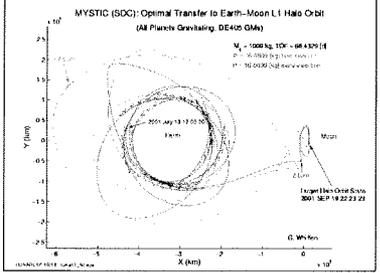


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Low Thrust to Lunar Gateway L₁ Halo Orbit

- Low Thrust Trajectory Courtesy of G. Whiffen, Computed by MYSTIC
- Halo Orbit Computed by LTool



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IPS Technology Road Map

Three Steps: Discover, Understand, Apply

- Map the InterPlanetary Superhighway
 - First Step in Discovery and Exploration
 - Like "Human GENOME", "Star Catalogs", Rand McNally Maps
- Integrate Orbital Dynamics Theories
 - IPS Orbits
 - Continuous Thrust Orbits
 - Conics Orbits
- Develop New Mission Concepts

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