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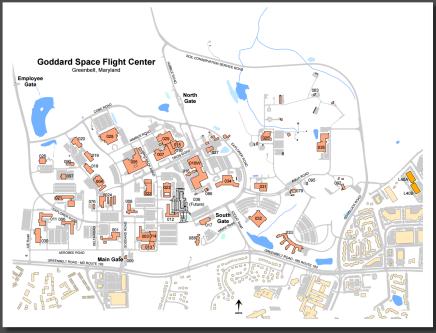
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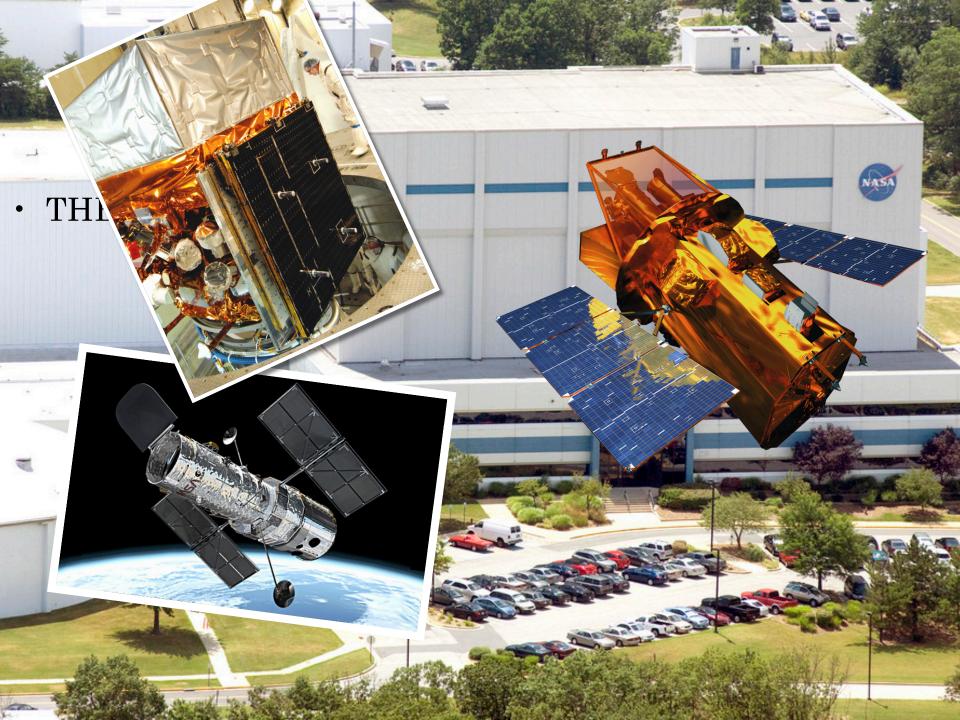


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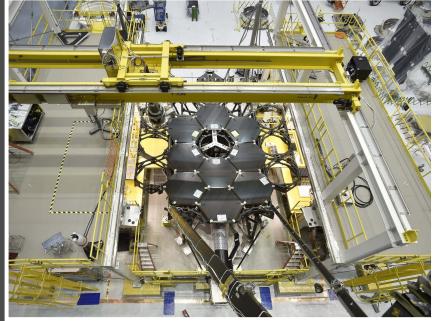






THE FACTORY

















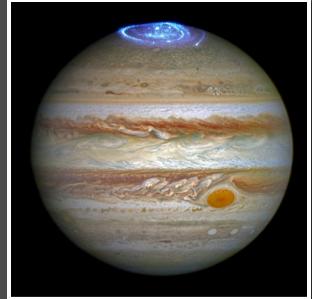


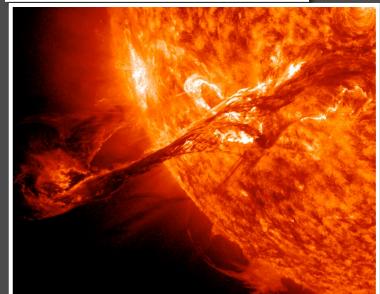
BUDGET 2017 3.8 MLD USD



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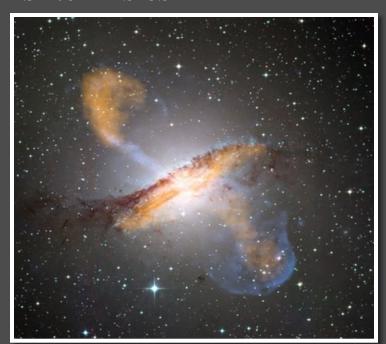
SOLAR SYSTEM





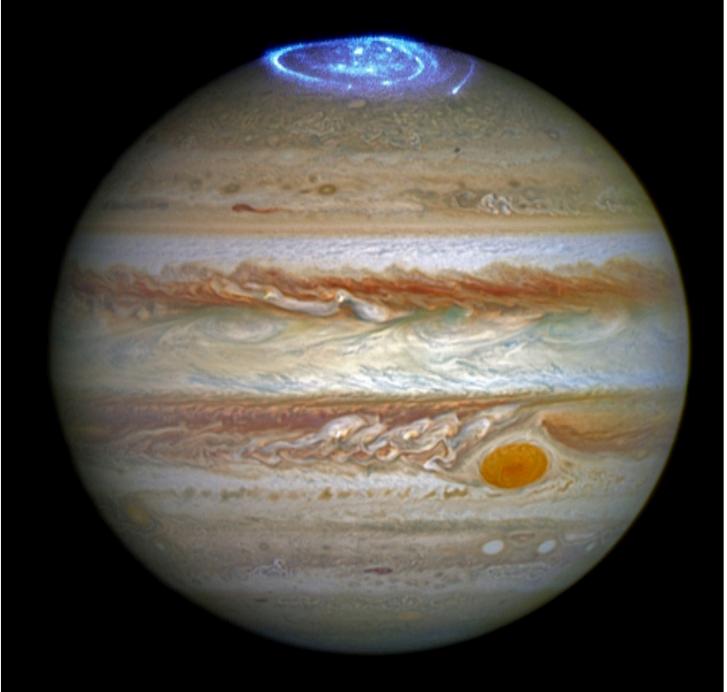
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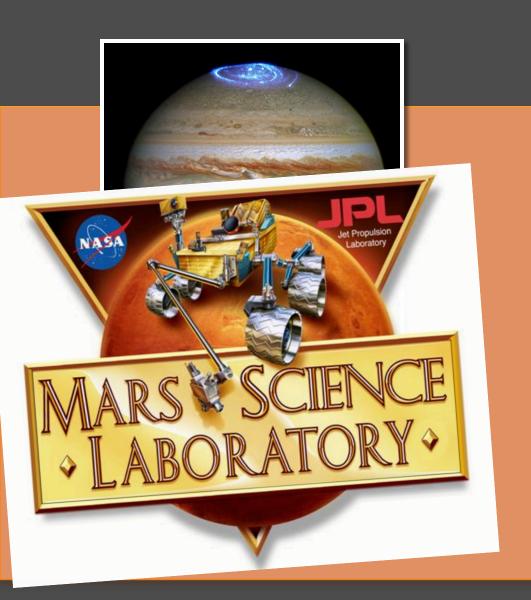
EARTH SCIENCE



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SOLAR SYSTEM DIVISION Current Missions

OSIRIS
MAVEN
LRO
CASSINI
SAM Curiosity
JUNO
VOYAGER
HUBBLE



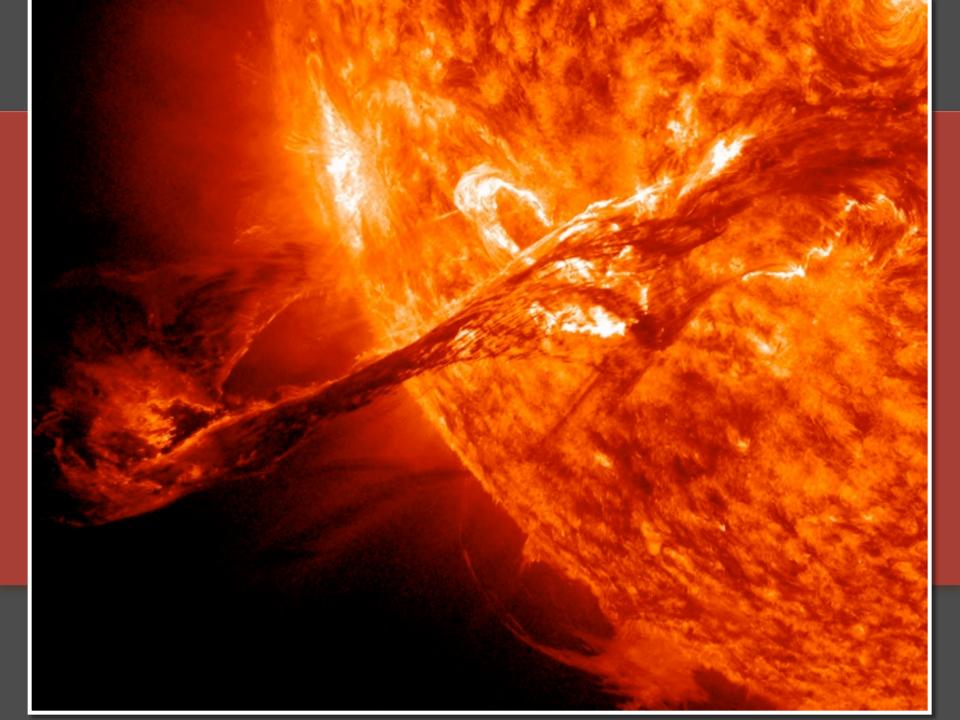
SOLAR SYSTEM DIVISION
In development

GEDI _ Climate change (ISS)
DAVINCI Venus atmosph
LUCY Trojan Asteroids



SOLAR SYSTEM DIVISION 10 Years Horizon

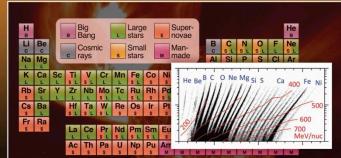
Ocean World Wide
Comet Nucleus
Venus Explorer
Mars Sample Return
Volatile Resources









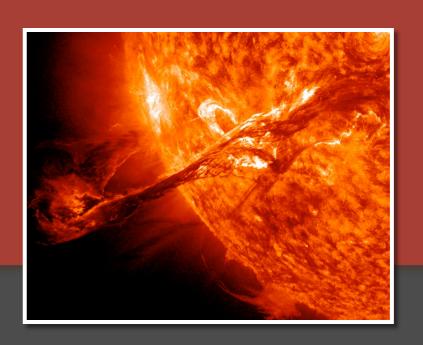


Periodic table and ACE/CRIS energy loss matrix identifying elements in galactic cosmic rays

HELIOPHYSICS
Current Missions

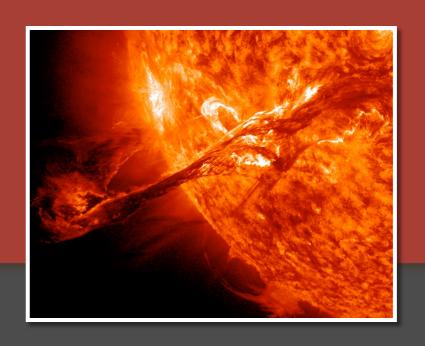
MMS
ACE, AIM, ARTEMIS
CINDI, IBEX, IRIS
STEREO, SOHO, TIMED
WINS

ed inoltre circa 20 satelliti in orbite attorno al Sole



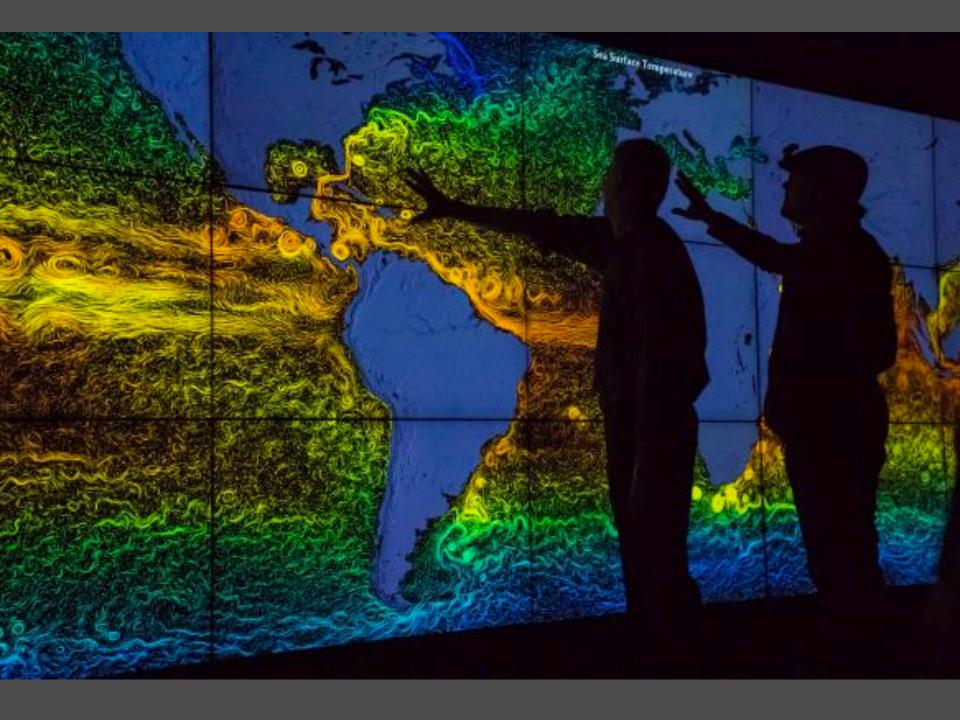
HELIOPHYSICS In Development

SET GOLD, Solar Probe Solar Orbiter STP 5



HELIOPHYSICS
10 Years Horizon

SOLAR SENTINEL MMS_C









EARTH SCIENCES
10 Years Horizon

Carbon Hunters ASCENDS / USGS LandSAT 10, 11, 12 NOAA JPSS - 3,4



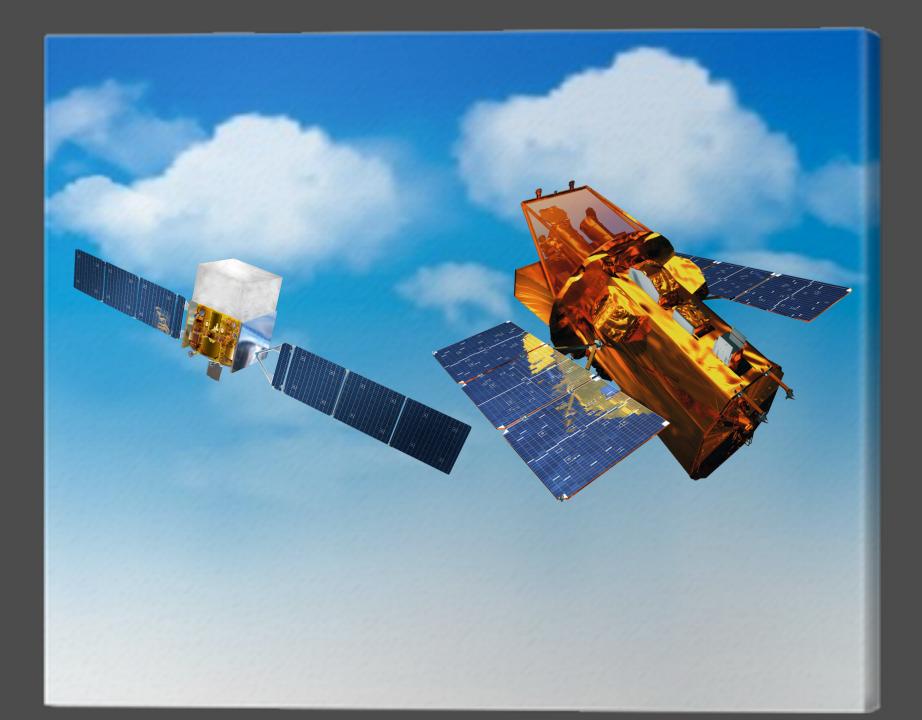


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John Cromwell Mather

Nel 2006 vinse il premio Nobel per la fisica in condivisione con George F. Smoot per la scoperta delle anisotropie del corpo nero presenti nella radiazione cosmica di fondo tramite il satellite COBE (Cosmic Background Explorer).



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James Webb Space Telescope (JWST)

The James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) is a large space observatory that will operate in an orbit some 1 million miles from Earth. JWST will find the first galaxies that formed in the early universe, connecting the Big Bang to our own Milky Way Galaxy. It will also peer through dusty clouds to see stars forming planetary systems, connecting the Milky Way to our own solar System. Webb's instruments will be designed to work primarily in the infrared range of the electromagnetic spectrum, with some capability in the visible range. The observatory is scheduled to launch in 2018.

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Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope

The Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope is opening a wide new window on the universe. Gamma rays are the highest-energy form of light, and the gamma-ray sky is radically different from the one we perceive with our own eyes. Fermi is advancing our understanding of a broad range of topics, including supermassive black holes, dark matter studies, the physics of pulsars and gamma-rays bursts, and the origin of cosmic rays. The mission observes high-energy gamma rays over a broad range of energies as well as more focused gamma-ray bursts. Fermi was launched in 2008.

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Swift

The Swift mission observes gamma-ray bursts and probes conditions in the distant (high-redshift) universe. The mission consists of three instruments on a spacecraft that can rapidly reorient itself to observe new targets. Within seconds of detecting a burst, Swift relays a burst's location to ground stations. This enables both ground-based and space-based telescopes around the world to target and observe the burst's afterglow. The spacecraft observes approximately 90 gamma-ray bursts per year. Additionally, it observes other transient sources of many types, such as, supernovae, novae, tidal disruption events, black hole transients, and comets. Swift was launched in 2004.

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Nuclear Spectroscopic Telescope Array (NuSTAR)

The NuSTAR mission will deploy the first focusing telescope for imaging the sky with high-energy X-rays. NuSTAR will undertake the first census of supermassive black holes throughout cosmic space and time, map supernova explosions, and study the most extreme active galaxies. The telescope will allow scientists to explore fundamental questions about the universe, such as what happens at the edge of a black hole, the nature of the mysterious "dark energy" pulling apart the universe, and what powered the Big Bang.

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Hubble Space Telescope (HST)

The Hubble Space Telescope (HST) is a multi-instrument observatory that has dramatically changed humanity's understanding of the universe for over two decades, with dramatic images of stars, planets, and galaxies. Hubble orbits Earth; its position above the atmosphere, which distorts and reduces the light that reaches the surface, gives it a view of the universe that typically surpasses that of ground-based telescopes. HST's various instruments investigate the universe in the visible, ultraviolet, and infrared portions of the spectrum. HST was deployed from the space shuttle Discovery on April 25, 1990. After that, the telescope underwent five servicing missions to repair or upgrade various instruments and systems.

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High Energy Astrophysics Science Archive Research Center (HEASARC)

The High Energy Astrophysics Science Archive Research Center (HEASARC) is the primary archive for NASA missions dealing with extremely energetic phenomena, from black holes to the Big Bang. Having recently merged with the Legacy Archive for Microwave Background Data Analysis (LAMBDA), it includes data obtained by NASA's high-energy astronomy missions from the extreme ultraviolet through gamma-ray bands, along with missions that study the relic cosmic microwave background.

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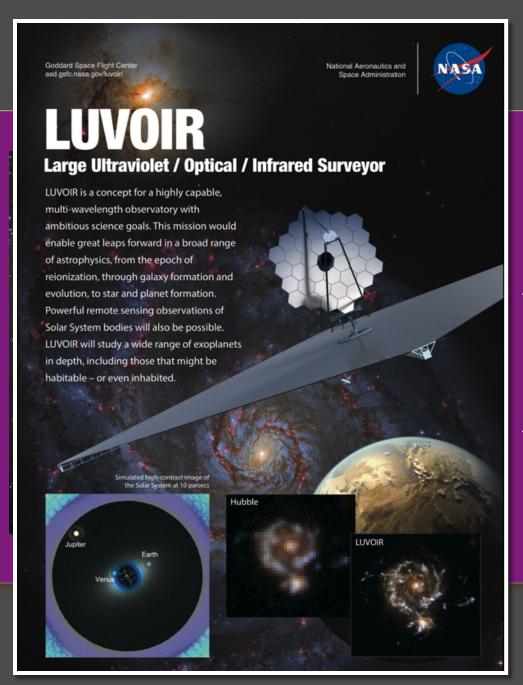
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ASTROPHYSICS In Development

TESS_exoplanets
JWST_IR
WFIRST_wide field IR
NICER_Neutron stars
PIXIE_Cosmo inflaction
ETA_ Eta Carinae / binarie
STAR-X_ stelle
AdEPT_Venere



ASTROPHYSICS
10 Years Horizon

LUVOIR _ Large UV/OPT/IR ATHENA _ X rays



