



Test & Evaluation/Science & Technology Program

High Speed Systems Test Technology Program

AFOSR Aerothermodynamics, Turbulence and Transition Portfolio Reviews

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High Speed Systems Test Technology Area



Develop, validate and support transition of T&E technologies that will permit effective and timely T&E of advanced propulsion and high speed systems with the same accuracy and robustness as legacy subsonic and supersonic systems

- OSD TRMC T&E/S&T funded
- HSST headquartered at AEDC, Arnold AFB, TN
- Current portfolio: 15 Projects
- Total budget across FYDP: \$82M

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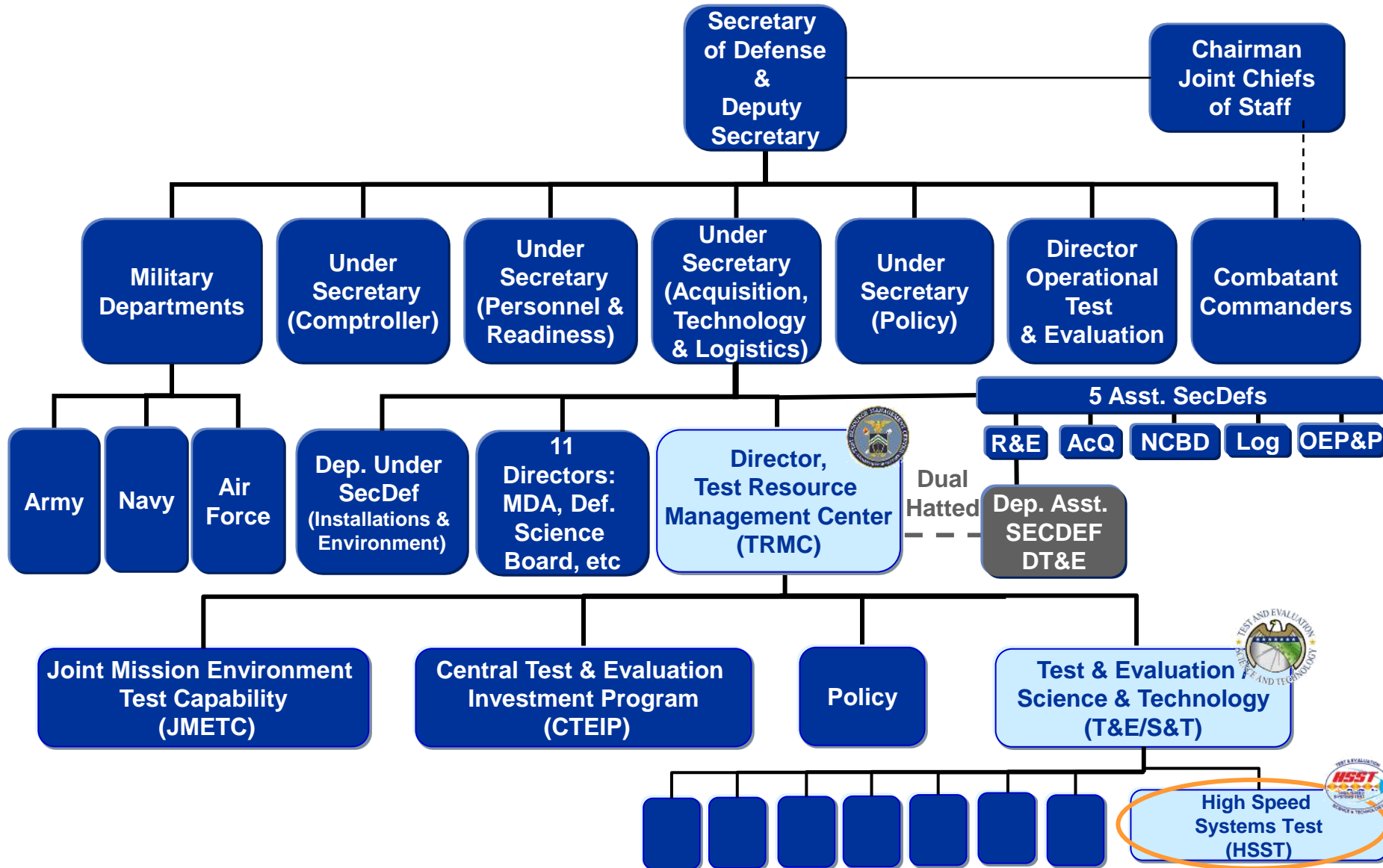
Collaboration



- Industry
- Universities



Test Resource Management Center Direct Report to USD(AT&L)





HSST Partners

Partner Gov. Agencies ▲

- NASA Glenn, Cleveland, OH
- NASA Langley, VA
- NASA Armstrong, CA
- NASA Wallops, VA
- AMRDEC, Redstone Arsenal, AL
- DOE, Oak Ridge, TN
- ONR, Washington, DC
- AEDC, Arnold AFB, TN
- AFRL, Wright Patterson AFB, OH
- AFRL, Eglin AFB, FL
- AFOSR, Washington, DC
- AFTC, Edwards AFB, CA
- WSMR, NM
- Sandia National Lab, Albuquerque, NM
- ORS, Kirtland AFB, NM
- Range Commander's Council

Project Companies ●

- Aero Systems Engineering, St. Paul, MN
- Teledyne Scientific, Thousand Oaks, CA
- Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne, West Palm Beach, FL
- Southern Research Institute, Birmingham, AL
- Michigan Aerospace Corporation, Ann Arbor, MI
- ATK GASL, Ronkonkoma, NY and Salt Lake City, UT
- Luna Innovations, Inc., Blacksburg, VA
- ATA, Arnold AFB, TN
- UTRC, East Hartford, CT
- CUBRC, Buffalo, NY
- Lockheed Martin, Palmdale, CA
- GoHypersonic, Dayton, OH
- Los Gatos Research, Mtn. View, CA
- Zolo, Boulder, CO
- Kratos/Digital Fusion Solutions, Huntsville, AL
- Opto-Knowledge Systems, Inc, Torrance, CA
- Controlled Dynamics Inc. Huntington Beach, CA

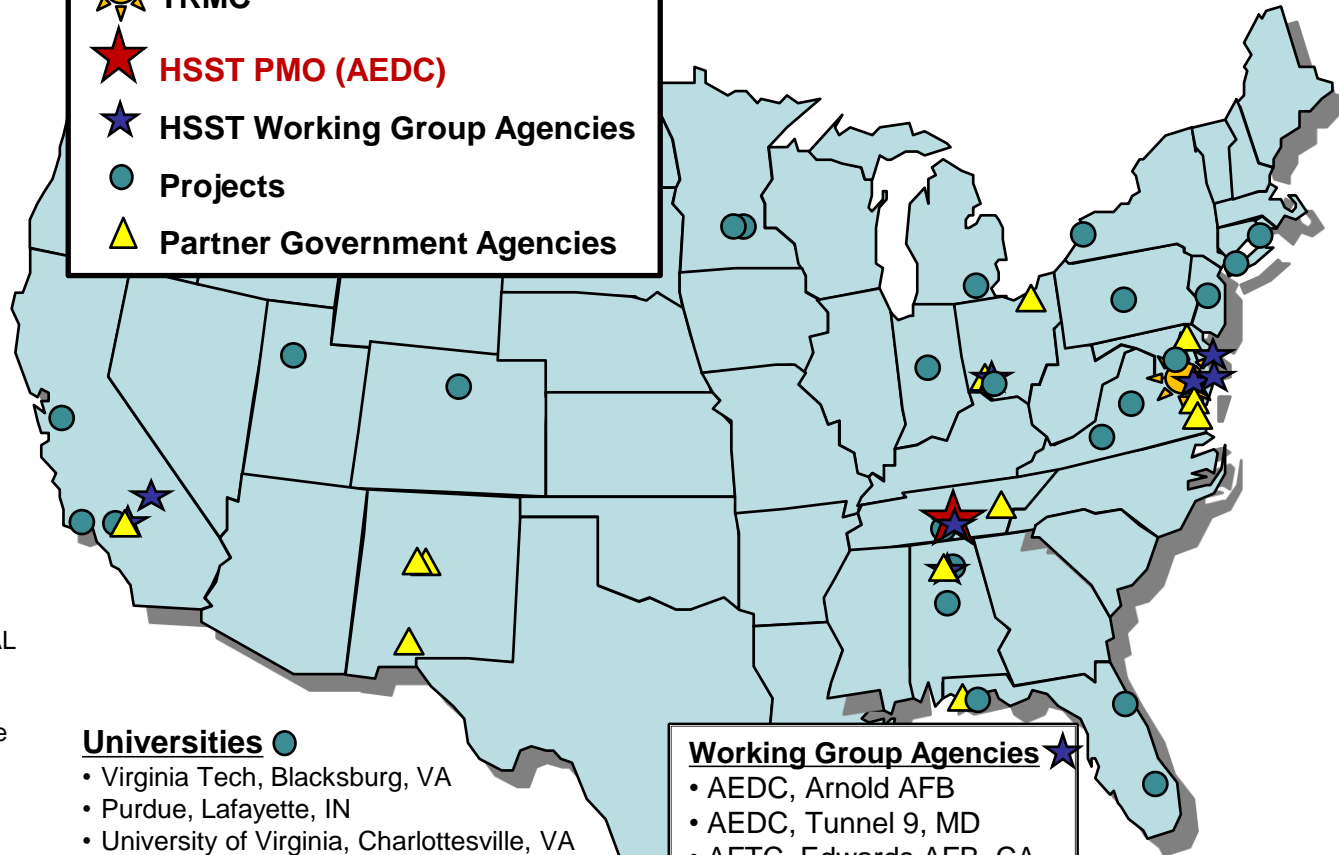
- ☀ TRMC
- ★ HSST PMO (AEDC)
- ★ HSST Working Group Agencies
- Projects
- ▲ Partner Government Agencies

Universities ●

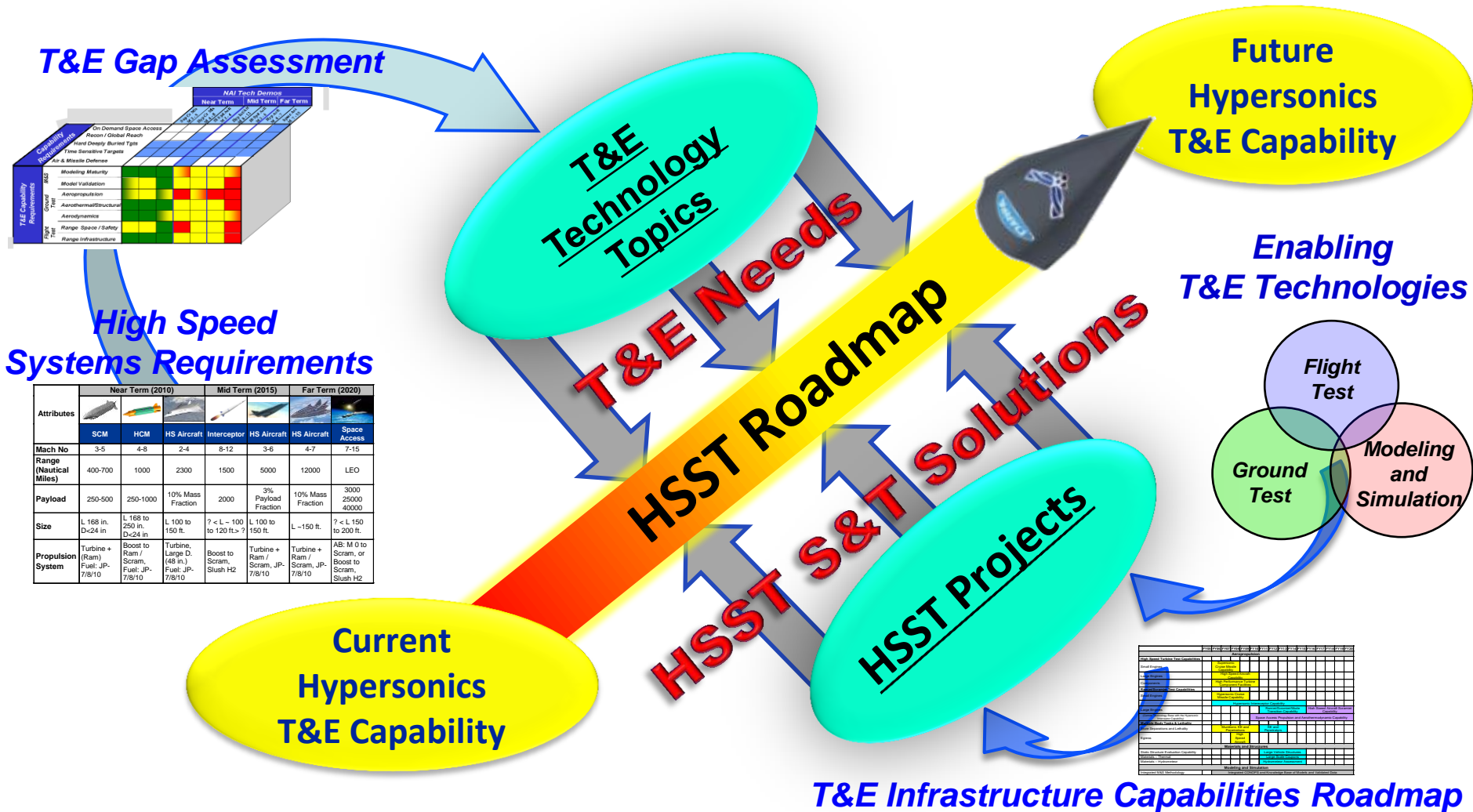
- Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
- Purdue, Lafayette, IN
- University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA
- University of Maryland, College Park, MD
- Penn State University, State College, PA
- Stanford University, Stanford, CA
- University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
- Johns Hopkins University, Laurel, MD
- Embry Riddle University, Daytona Beach, FL
- Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
- University of Tennessee, TN

Working Group Agencies ★

- AEDC, Arnold AFB
- AEDC, Tunnel 9, MD
- AFTC, Edwards AFB, CA
- AFRL, WPAFB, OH
- NAVAIR, China Lake, CA
- NAVAIR, Pax River, MD
- ATEC, Aberdeen, MD
- AMRDEC, Redstone, AL



Needs and Solutions Process



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Domains and Applications

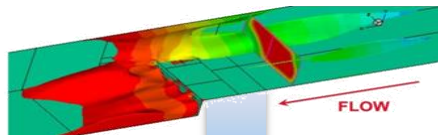
MISSION: *Develop, validate and transition of technologies, tools and techniques that will permit effective and timely T&E of high speed systems*

Advanced Propulsion



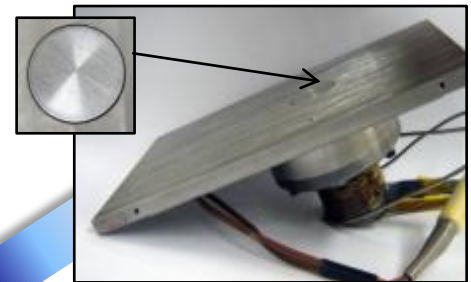
Improving Propulsion Ground Test Methods, Expanding Test Envelopes, Improving Accuracy & Fidelity

Computational Tools



Advancing M&S Capabilities for Hypersonic T&E

Instrumentation



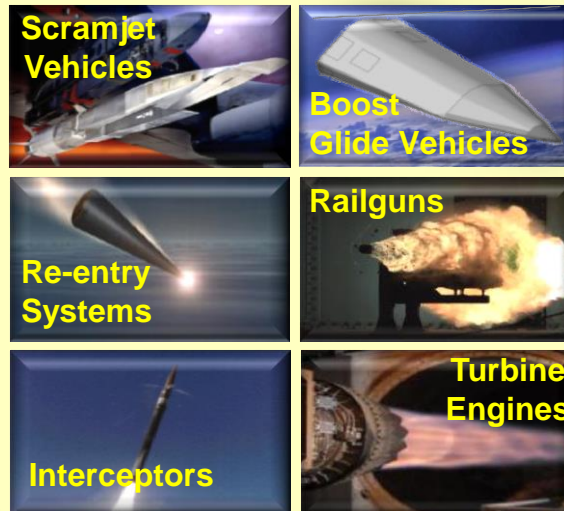
Innovative New Sensors, Improving Accuracy, Increasing Measurement Ranges

Aerodynamic & Aerothermal



Improved Aeroheating & Ablation Test Capabilities, Improved Flow Quality, H/S Munitions Dispensing Testing

Applications



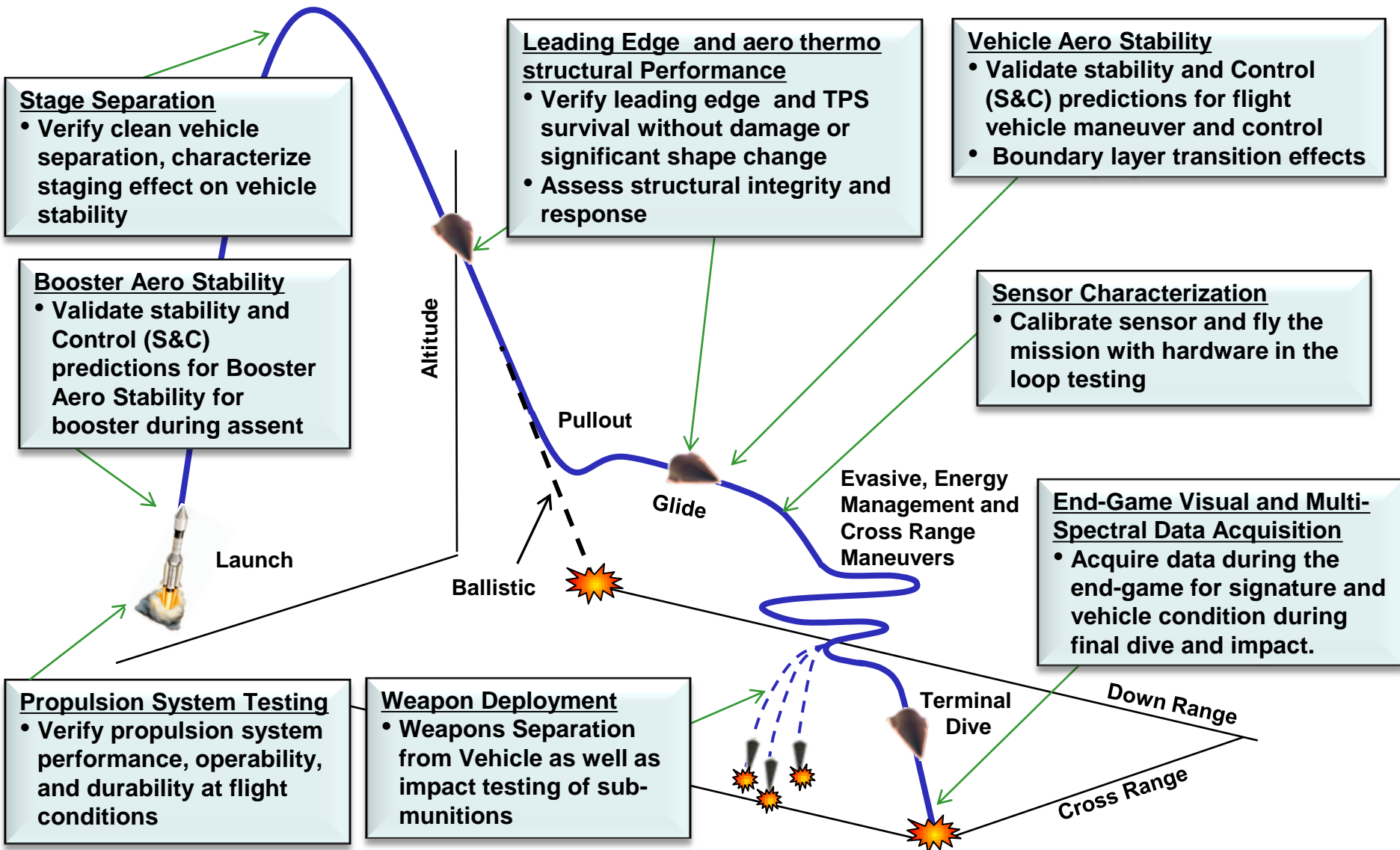
Flight Test



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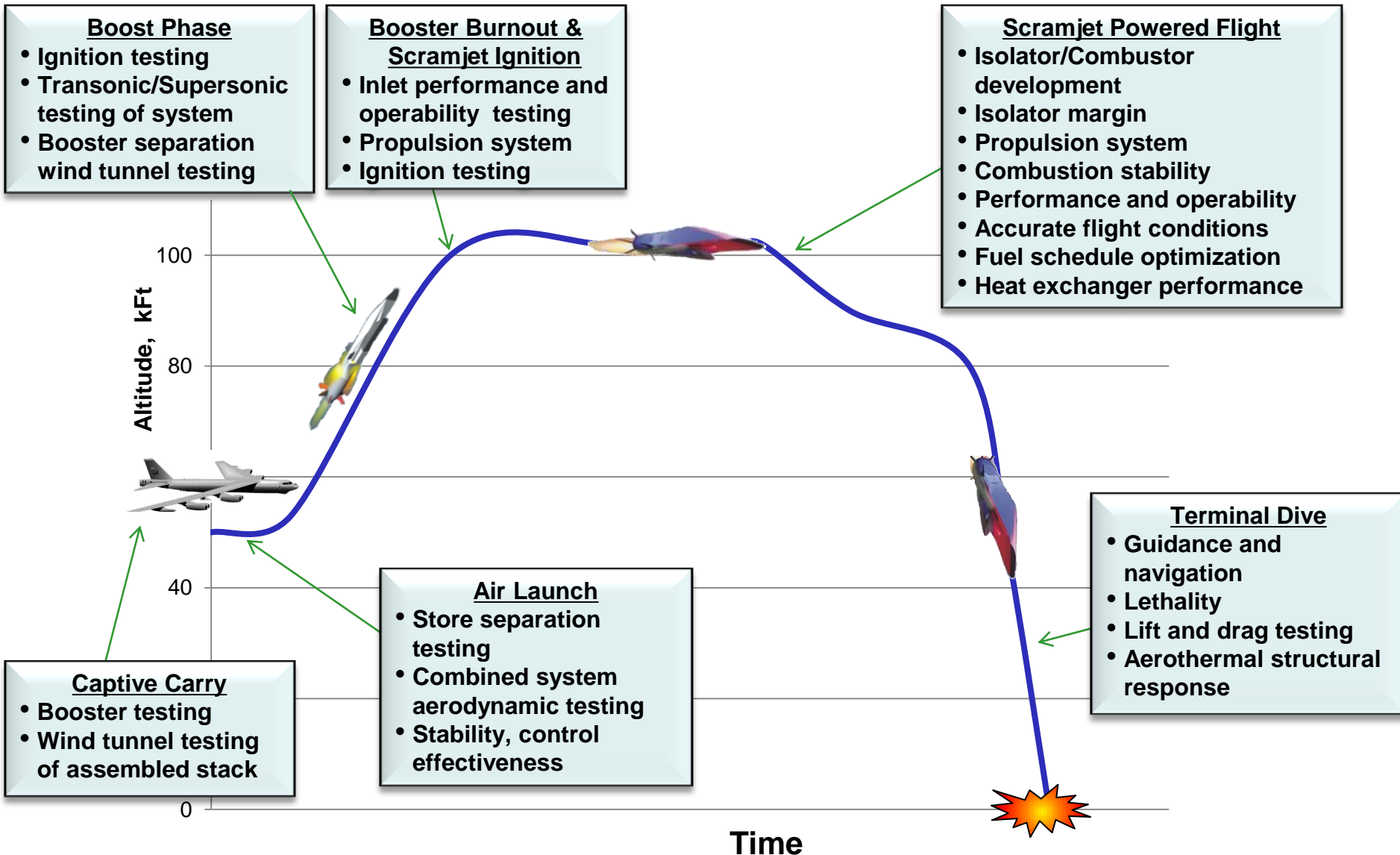
Boost-Glide Vehicles

T&E Objectives



Hypersonic Cruise Missile

T&E Objectives





T&E Needs

Advanced Propulsion

- Clean-air (non-vitiated) continuous flow at Mach 3-6 conditions
- Variable Mach number facility nozzles
- Innovative ground test methods
- Propulsion scaling techniques
- Test envelope expansion
- Advanced inlet characterization techniques
- Mach 8+ test concepts
- Engine/facility interaction assessment
- Advanced Thrust Measurements
- Techniques for Scramjet Performance

Aerodynamics & Aerothermal

- Mid pressure boost-glide and maneuvering reentry flight corridor simulation
- Arc-heater flow quality enhancement
- Flight and weather ablation measurement techniques
- Boundary Layer Transition techniques for assessing tunnel influences model development and validation
- Improved durability and test duration of facility components

Flight Test and Evaluation

- Autonomous flight safety systems to improve mission assurance and launch flexibility
- Tools and techniques to reduce flight test costs and increase data capture per flight
- Meteorological conditions measurement

Computational Tools for High Speed Flow Fields

- Improved Modeling & Simulation tools for T&E of High Speed / Hypersonic Systems
- Accurate modeling of high speed flow physics
- Code validation using flight & ground test data
- Effective transition to user community

Instrumentation & Diagnostics for High Speed Flow Fields

- Thermal protection system ablation characterization
- Flow characterization
- Gas turbine augmentor and high speed combustion diagnostic tools
- Improved Accuracy, Increased measurement ranges, reduced size/weight



Current HSST Projects & Studies

Advanced Propulsion

- *Hypersonic Aeropropulsion Clean Air Testbed (HAPCAT)*
- *Large-scale Scramjet Engine Testing Techniques (LSETT)*
- *Morphing Ceramic Components for Hypersonic Ground Test Facilities (MORPH)*
- *Improve High Speed Test Techniques (IHSTT) Study*

Computational Tools for High Speed Flow Fields

- *Modeling & Simulation Validation and Transition (M&S Val) Study*
 - *Characteristics-Based Grid Generator (CBGG)*
 - *STABL-3D Boundary Layer Transition Prediction Tool*
- *Computed Tomography Method (CTM) Study*
- *Transient Thermal Analysis Software Toolset (TTAS)*
- *Vitiation Effects Computational Fluid Dynamics (VECFD) Study*

Aerodynamics & Aerothermal

- *Arc Heater Flow Quality (AHFQ)*
- *Hypersonic Boundary Layer Transition Measurements (BLT) Study*

Flight Test and Evaluation

- *High Altitude LIDAR Atmospheric Sensing (HALAS)*
- *High-fidelity Automated Airborne Reconfigurable Tracking System (HAARTS)*

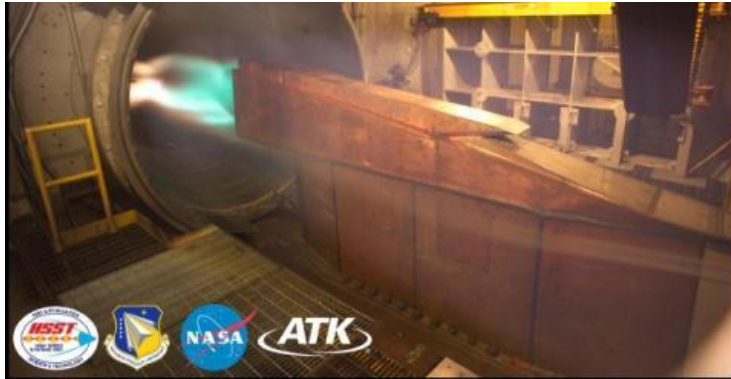
Instrumentation & Diagnostics for High Speed Flow Fields

- *Hypersonic Instrumentation Development & Transition (HIDT) Study*
- *Real Gas Force Measurement (RGFM)*
- *Mid-Infrared Thermal Imaging Technique (MIRTI) Study*

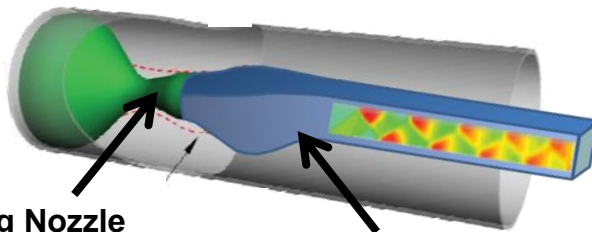


Advanced Propulsion

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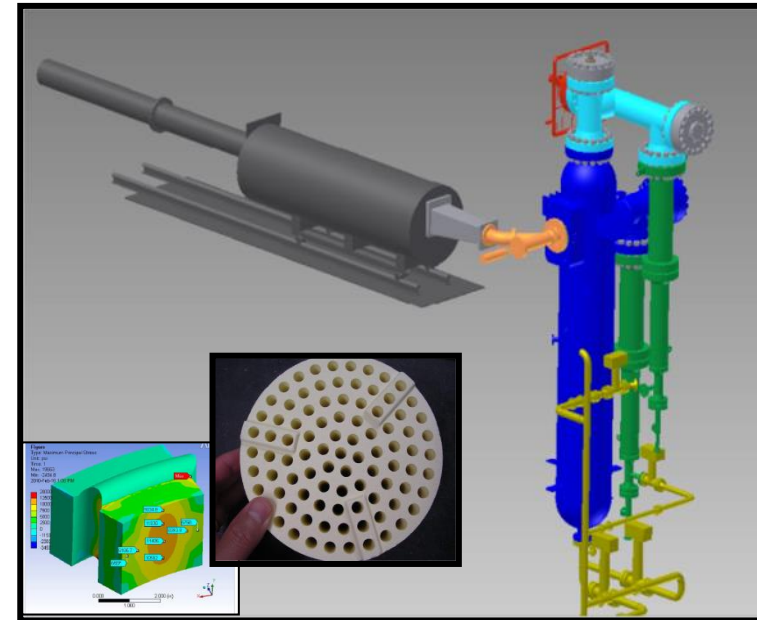
Testing scramjet engine in multiple test facility configurations to develop technique needed for developing large scale hypersonic propulsion systems in existing test facilities (LSETT)



Morphing Nozzle

Morphing Distortion Duct

Designing and validating ceramic morphing components for hypersonic ground test facilities. Developing direct-connect variable Mach nozzle and distortion duct for scramjet T&E. (MORPH)

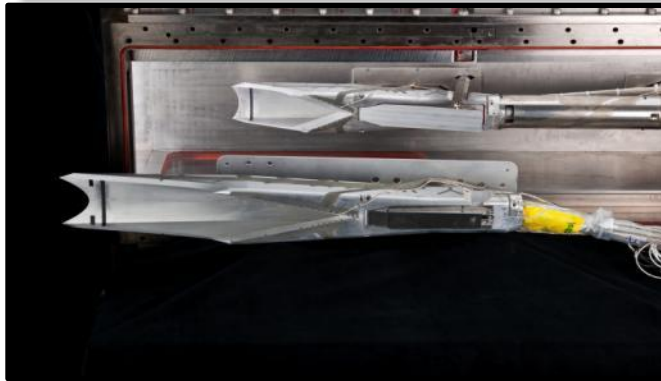


Provides the T&E community with the first clean air, true enthalpy hypersonic aero propulsion test facility capable varying simulated flight conditions from Mach 4.5 to 7.5 within a single test. (HAPCAT)

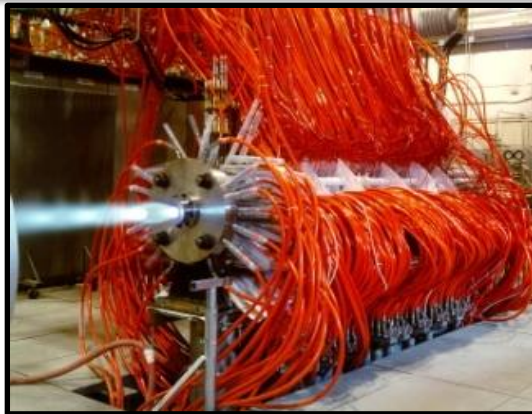


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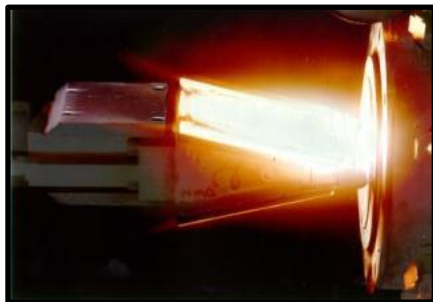
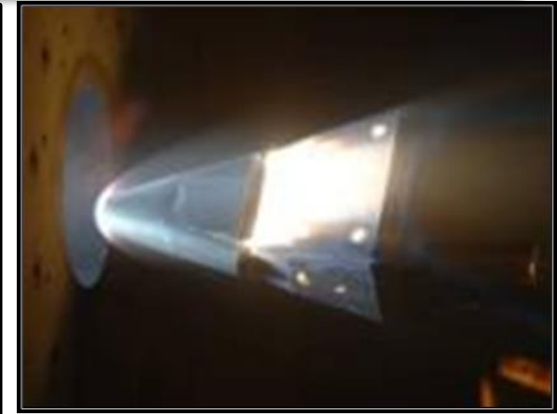
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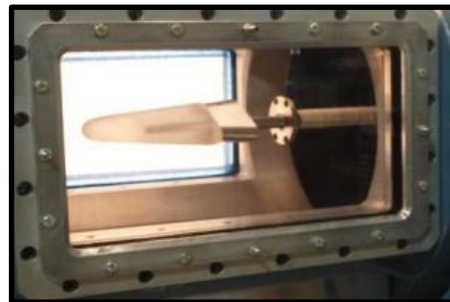
Inlet truncation methodology to enable semi-freejet testing of medium-scale scramjets in existing ground facilities (TRINT)



Improved arc heater design enabling critical mid-pressure test capability for CPGS systems (MPAH and AHFQ)



High enthalpy test capabilities, new instrumentation calibration methods and low temperature ablator test technique to improve Thermal Protection System T&E (AHA)

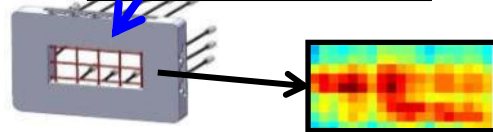
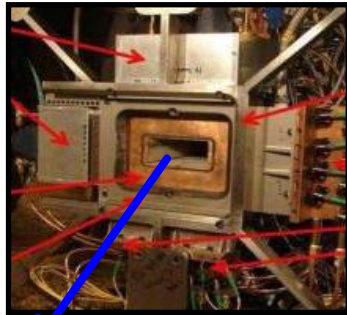


Develop understanding of the relationships between boundary layer transition data taken in diverse test facility environments for use in STABL-3D code validation (BLT)



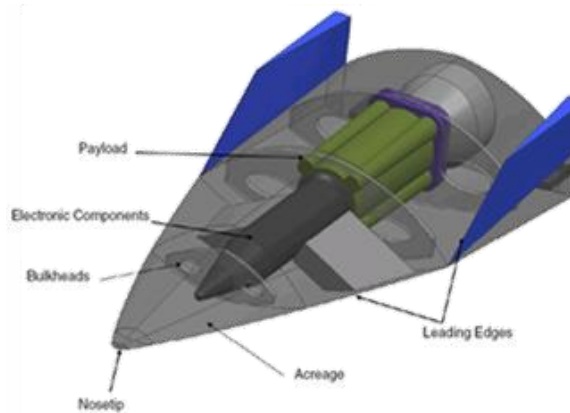
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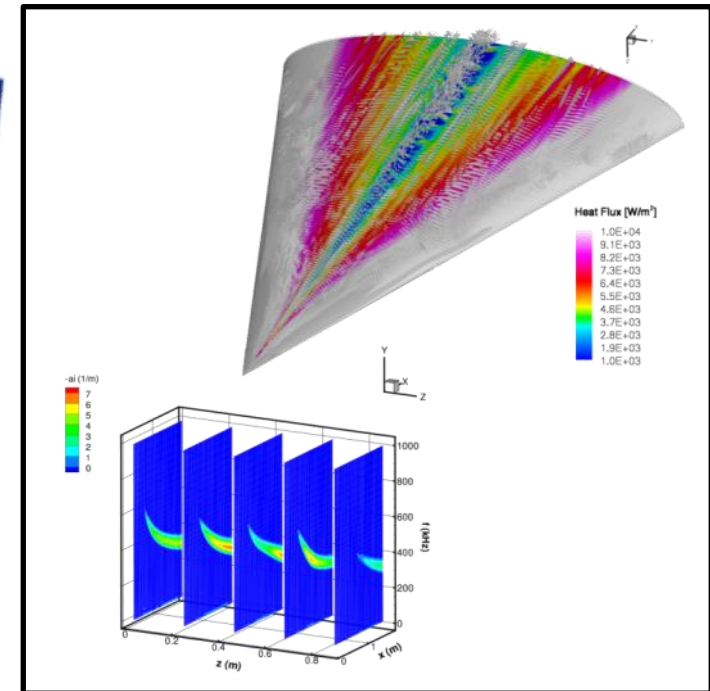


TDLAS Flange

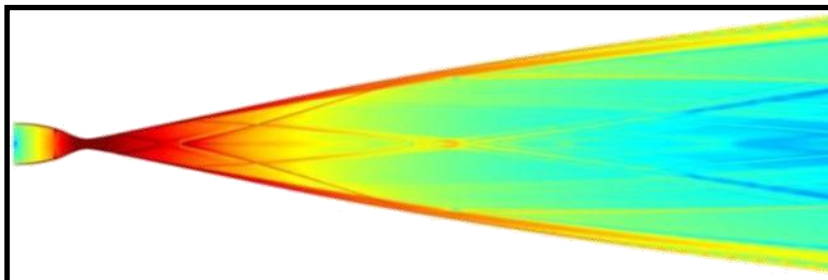
2D spatial maps of exhaust gas properties from MLOS TDLAS measurements for verifying CFD code predictions & determining combustion efficiency (CTM)



End-to-end simulation capability to be used for the transient aero-heating analyses of high-altitude, long time duration flight vehicles (TTAS)



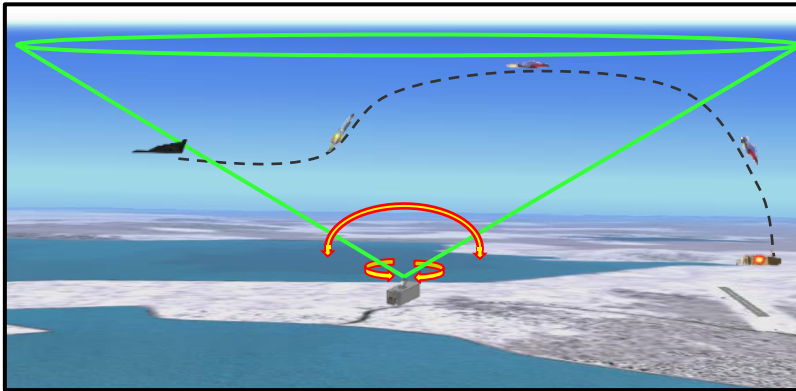
3-D boundary layer transition on hypersonic vehicles, flow quality assessment and improvement in hypersonic nozzles and engineering tools for real gas compressible flow properties and high temperature gas emission/absorption spectra (M&S Val)



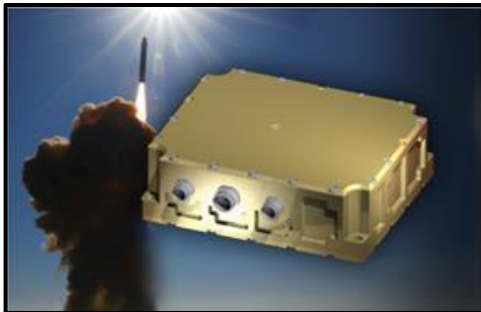


Flight Test

Improving Mission Assurance and Launch Flexibility, Developing In-Flight Measurements, Increasing Data Capture per Flight



Measurement of atmospheric flight conditions for flight tests. Significantly more accurate test data analysis and vehicle performance estimates with low uncertainties and better spatial and temporal resolution



First range safety compliant Autonomous Flight Safety Systems to support over-the-horizon flight and remote launch where no range infrastructure exists (AFSS)



Parameter Identification Maneuvers for improved flight test efficiency executed on X-51 flight 4 (PIDM)

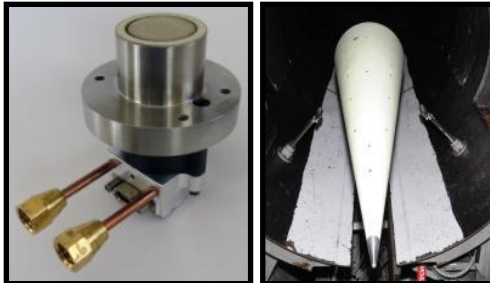


Flight weight/hardened TDLAS system provides non-intrusive, in-flight data on HIFiRE flights 1 and 2 (IFGCA)



Instrumentation and Diagnostics

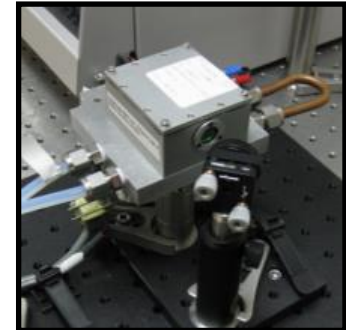
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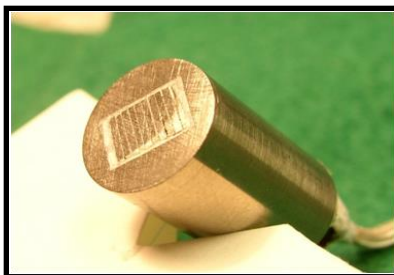
High enthalpy skin friction sensor to accurately measure surface shear forces critical for high speed system development (VT SSS)



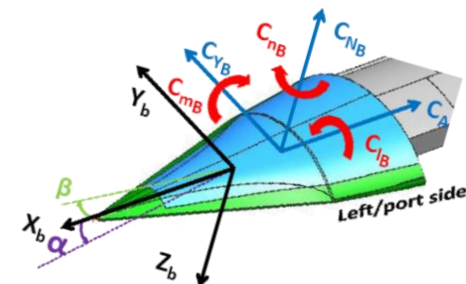
Enabling high speed store separation T&E with the development of a miniature, high temperature aerodynamic force and moment balance (CHIL)



Developing Mid- IR Tunable Laser Absorption Spectroscopy Technology that will significantly increase the precision and accuracy over current methods leading to improved hypersonic facility and engine system diagnostics (NFM)



Heat flux sensor capable of surviving extremely high temperatures associated with hypersonic ground test conditions (HIDT)



Develop a force balance system with high stiffness and frequency response to make measurements in hypervelocity flows with test durations of 1-2 msec (RGFM)



Questions?

