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Present Status of Japanese Venus Climate Orbiter 2009

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- *VCO will be the first Japanese Venus mission*
- *It is dedicated to the meteorological survey*
- *It will be launched in May 2010 and arrive at Venus in December 2010*
- *Nominal mission life is 2 years*
- *It has 5 cameras (UV, Visible, NIRx2, LIR) to investigate the*

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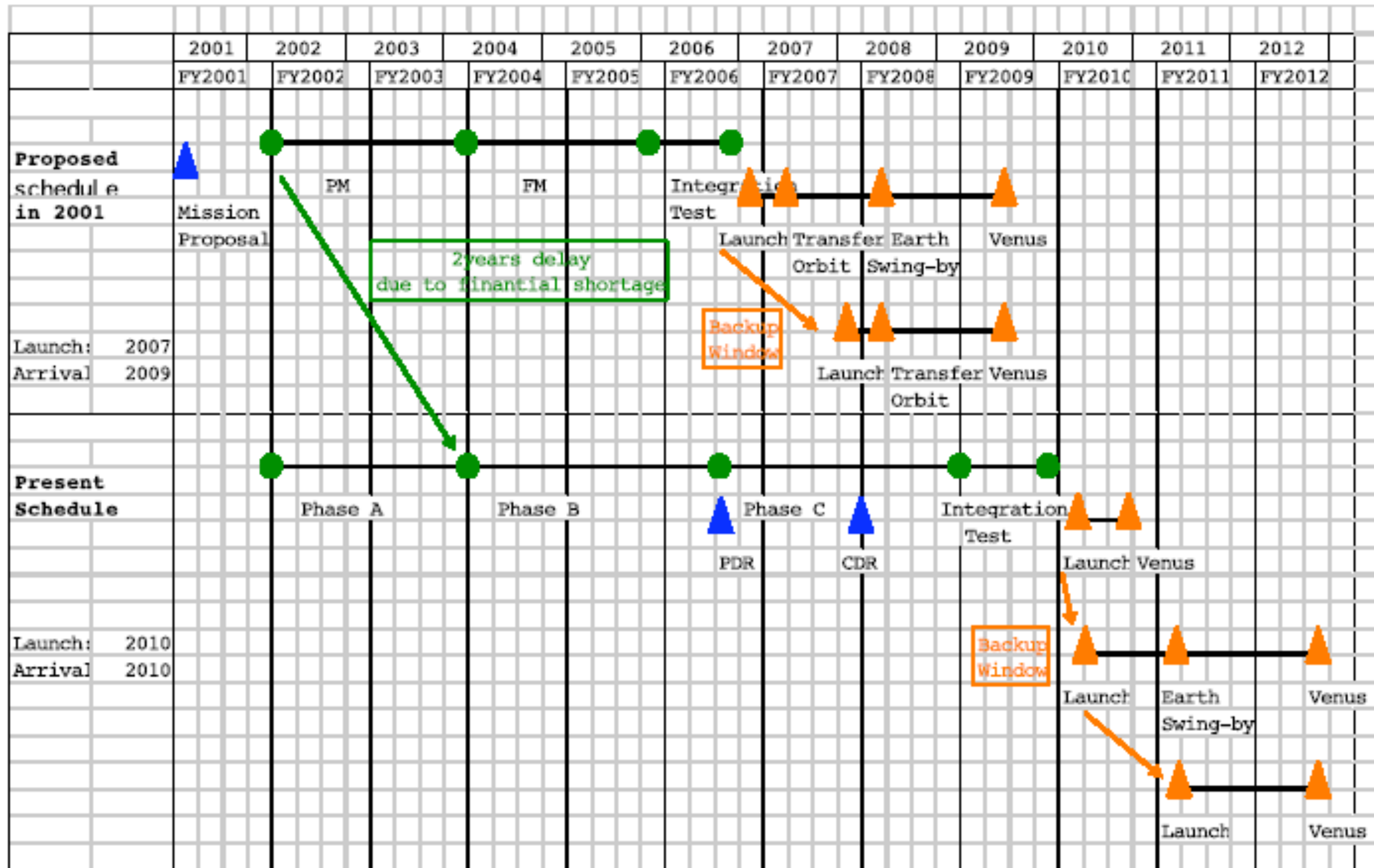
Current status of VCO development:

Critical Design Review has been carried out through Dec. 2007 to March 2008 and the mission has successfully been phased up.

The flight model is being manufactured with minor modifications from the mechanical and thermal models.

Pre-integration test was performed in late 2008.

Schedule



Pre-integration test

1. Electrical Compatibility

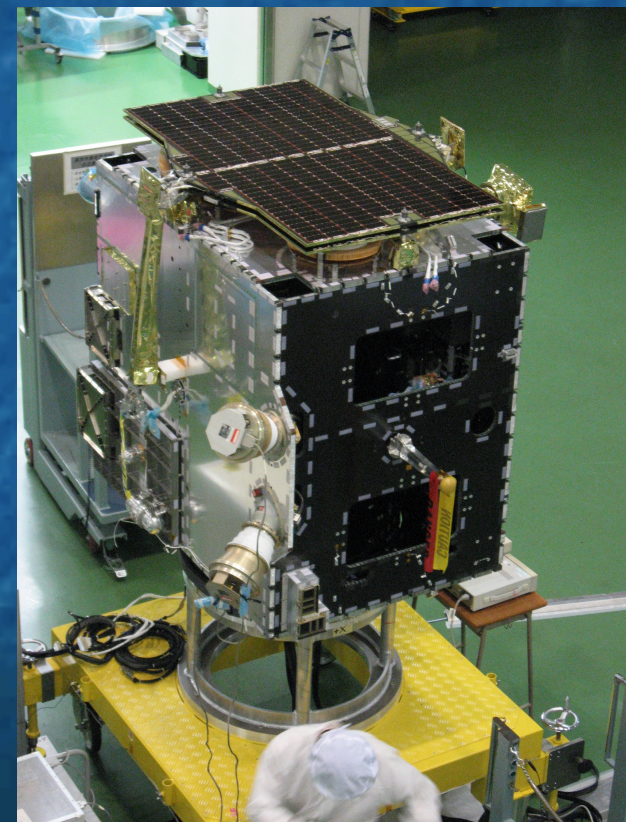
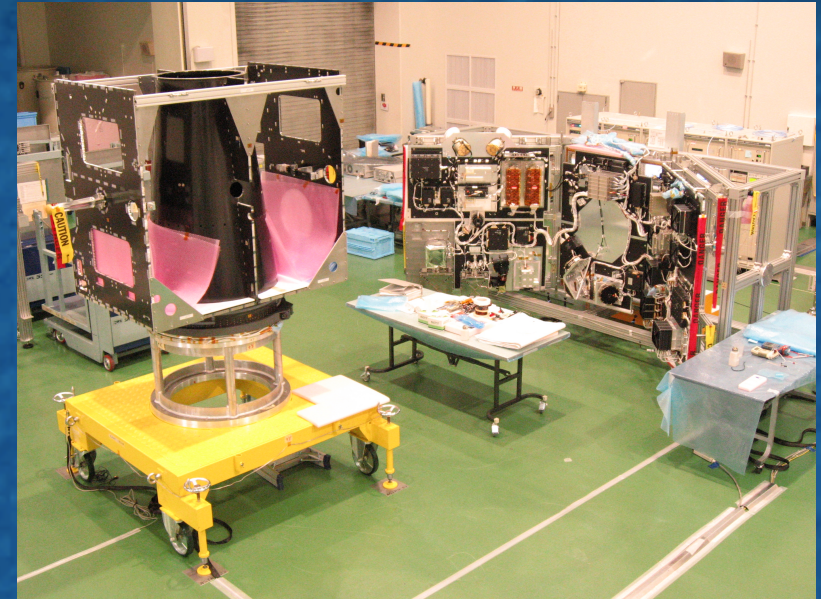
- Electrical Compatibility of components
- Functional check of components
- Functional check of the system
- Electromagnetic compatibility
- The power consumption of components

2. Mechanical Compatibility

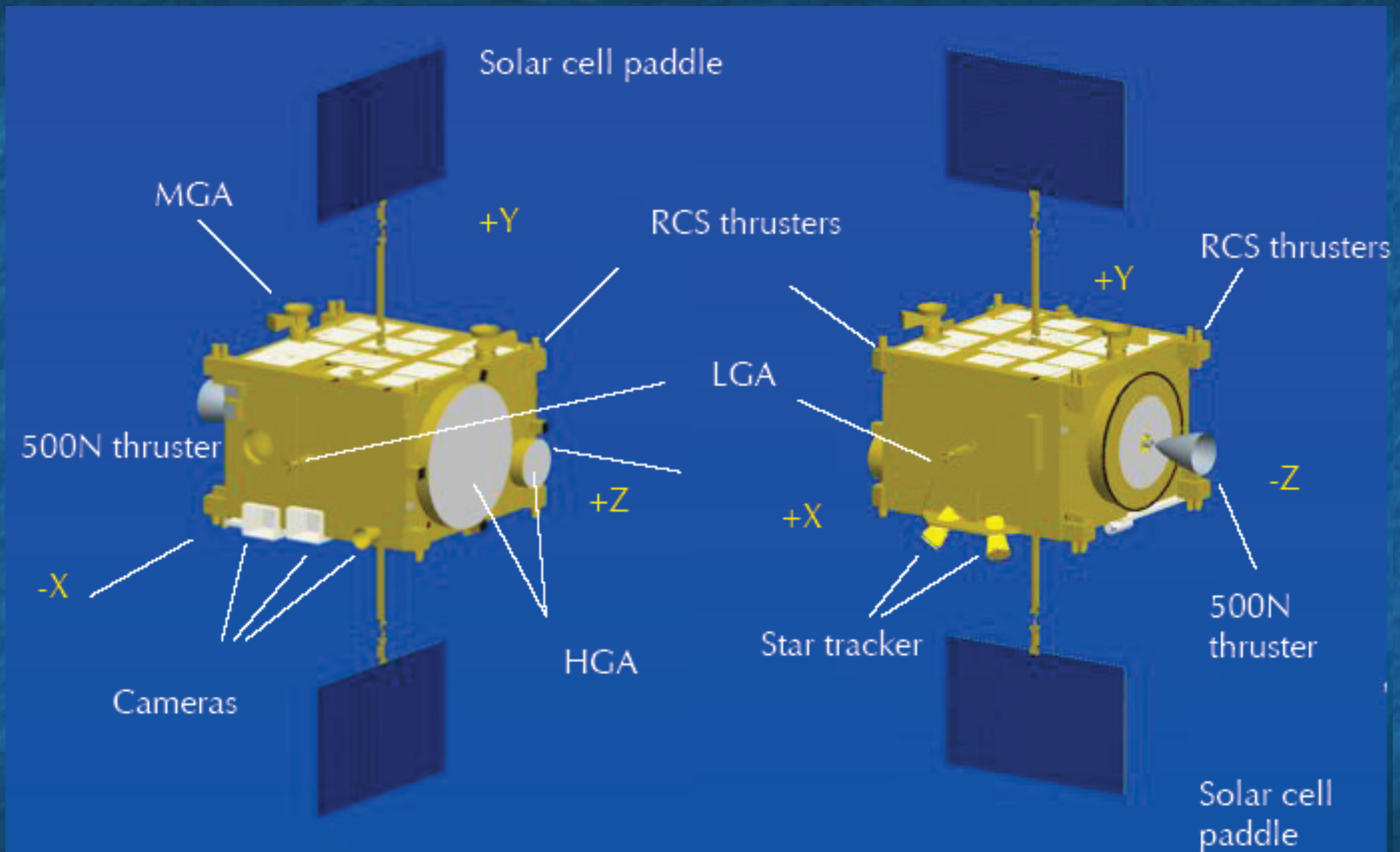
- Mechanical Compatibility of components
- The check of an assembly procedure
- Mass properties

3. Integration test

- Power systems
- Telecommunications
- Attitude control
- Observation programs

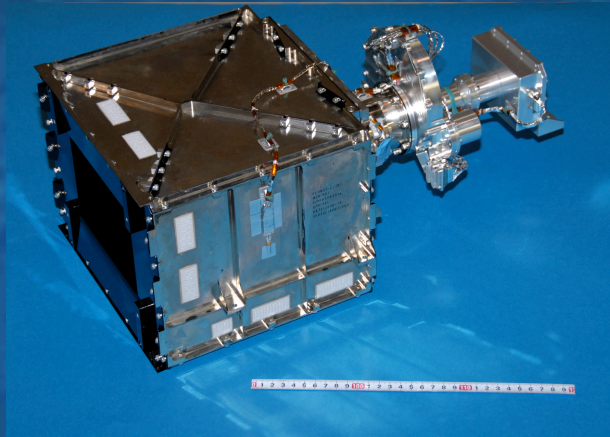


Appearance

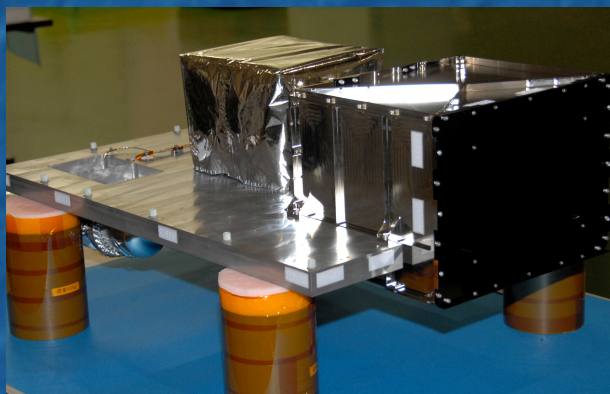


Mission instruments inside the spacecraft

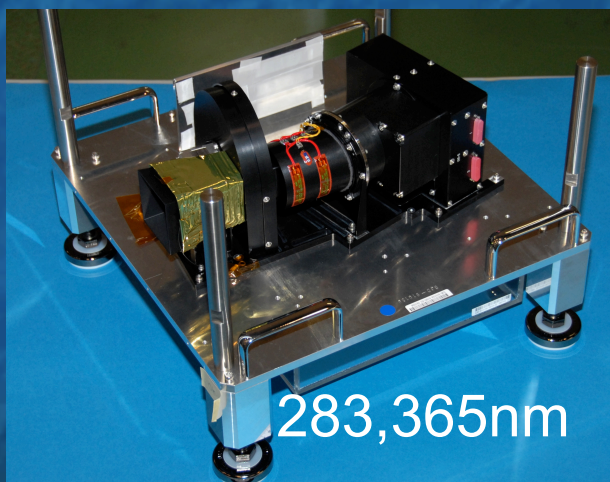
1 μ m Camera
(IR1)



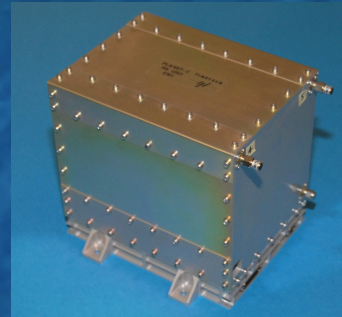
2 μ m Camera
(IR2)



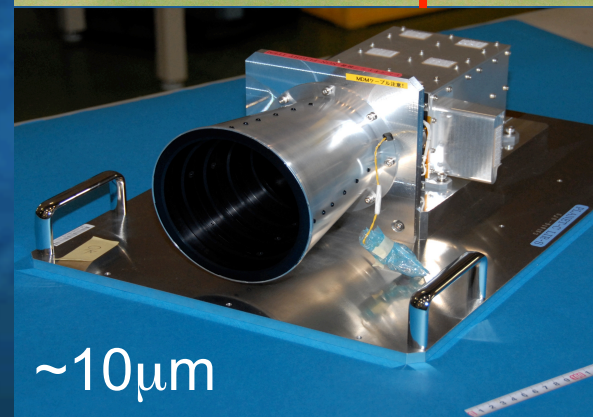
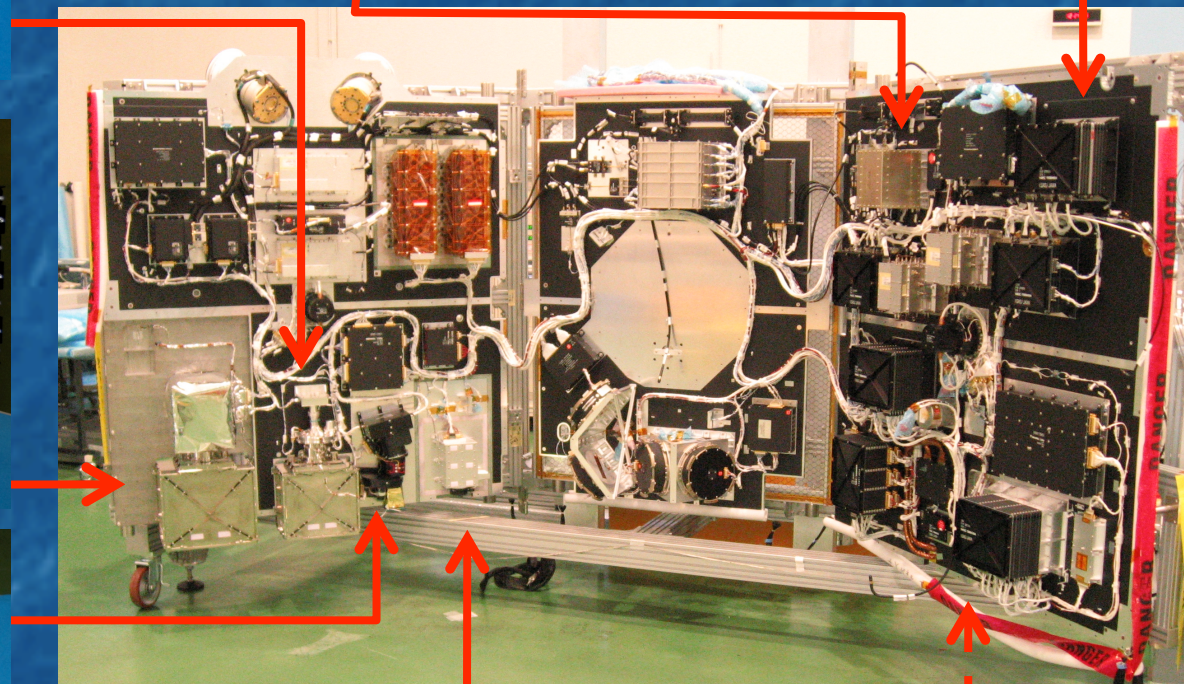
Ultraviolet
Imager
(UVI)



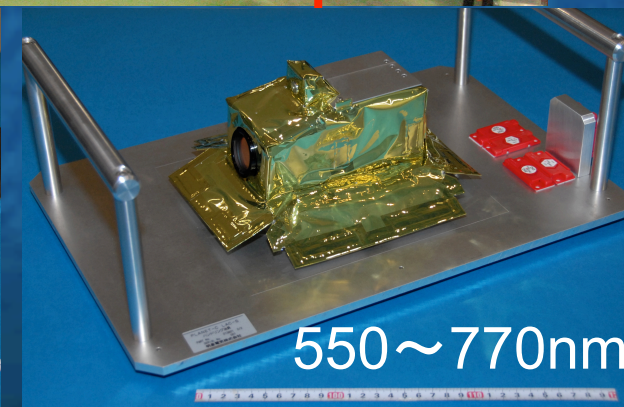
Ultra Stable Oscillator
(USO)



Digital
Electronics
(DE)

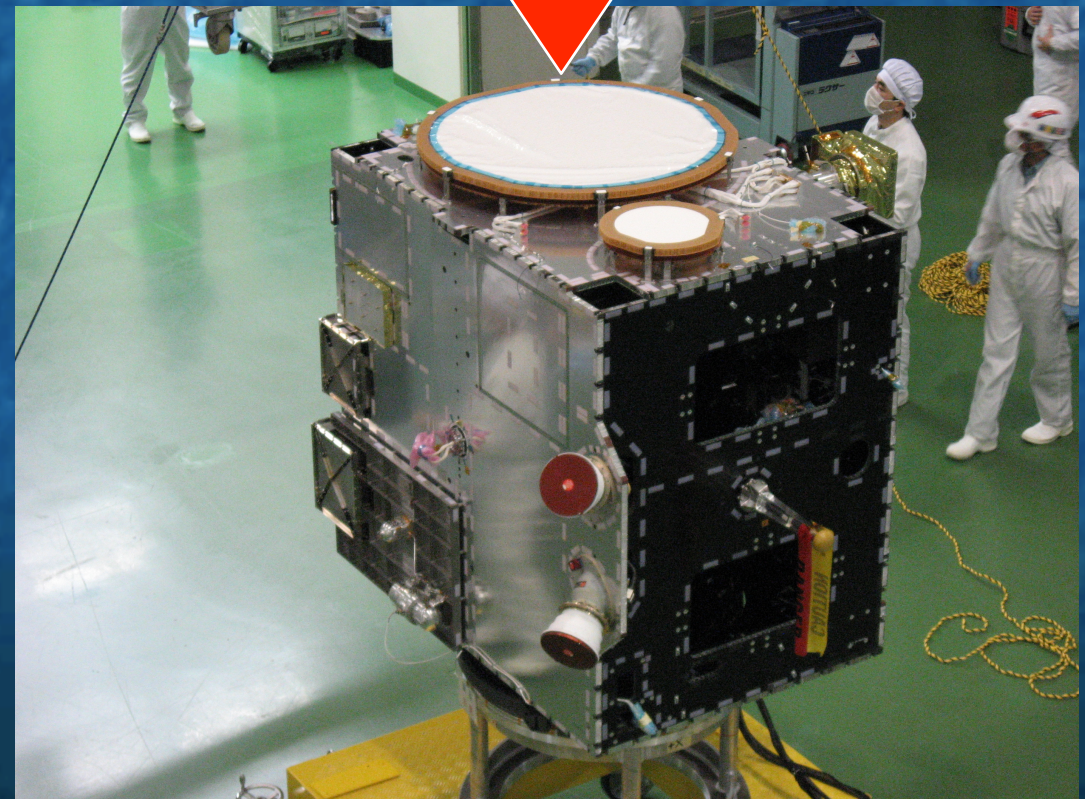


Longwave InfraRed
camera (LIR)

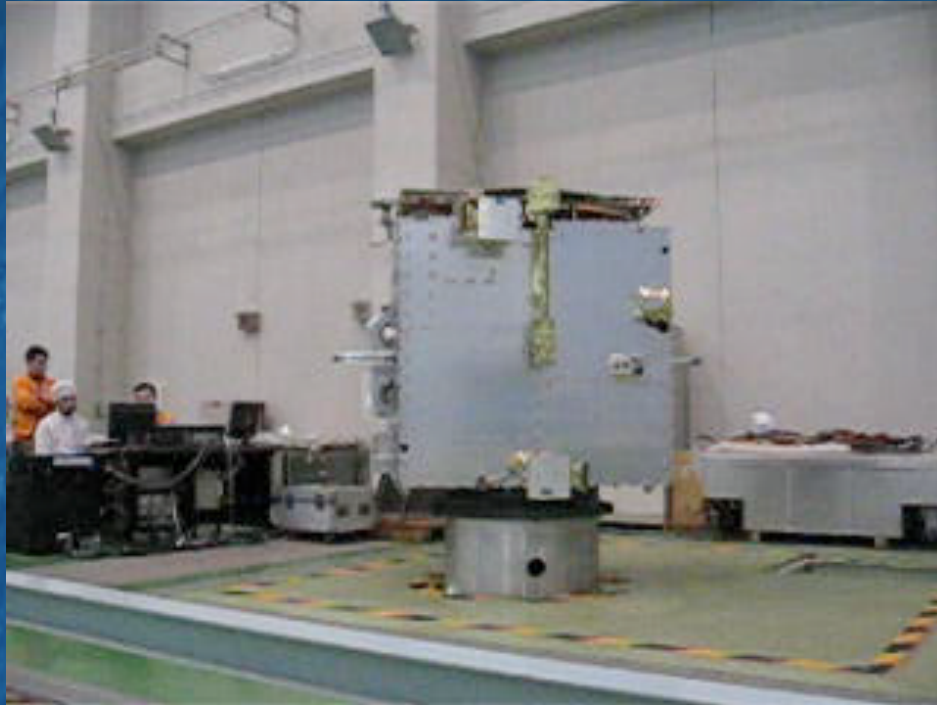


Lightning and Airglow
Camera (LAC)

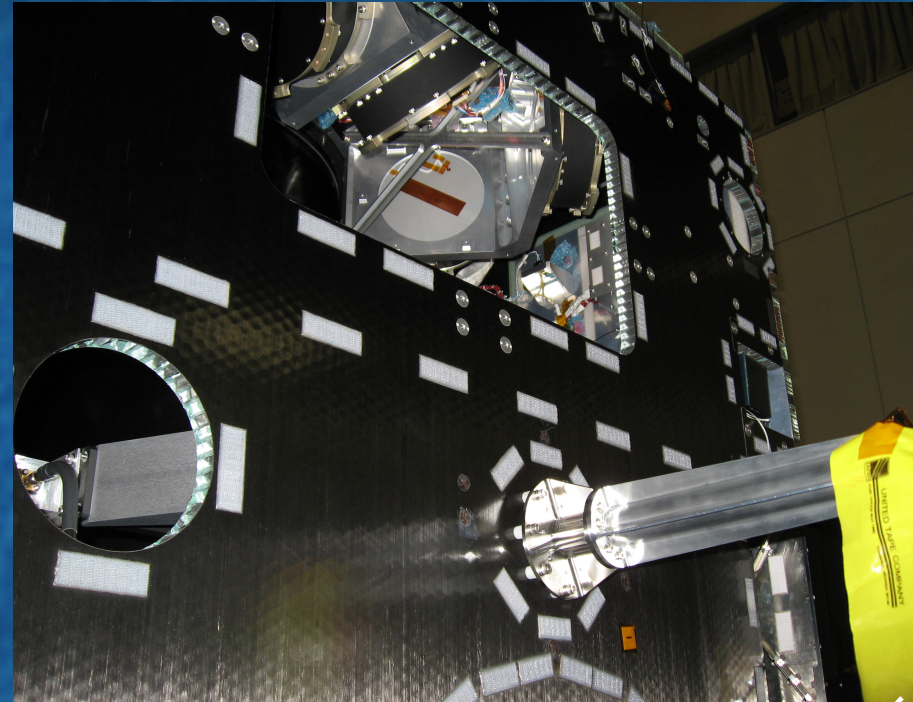
Spacecraft Assembly



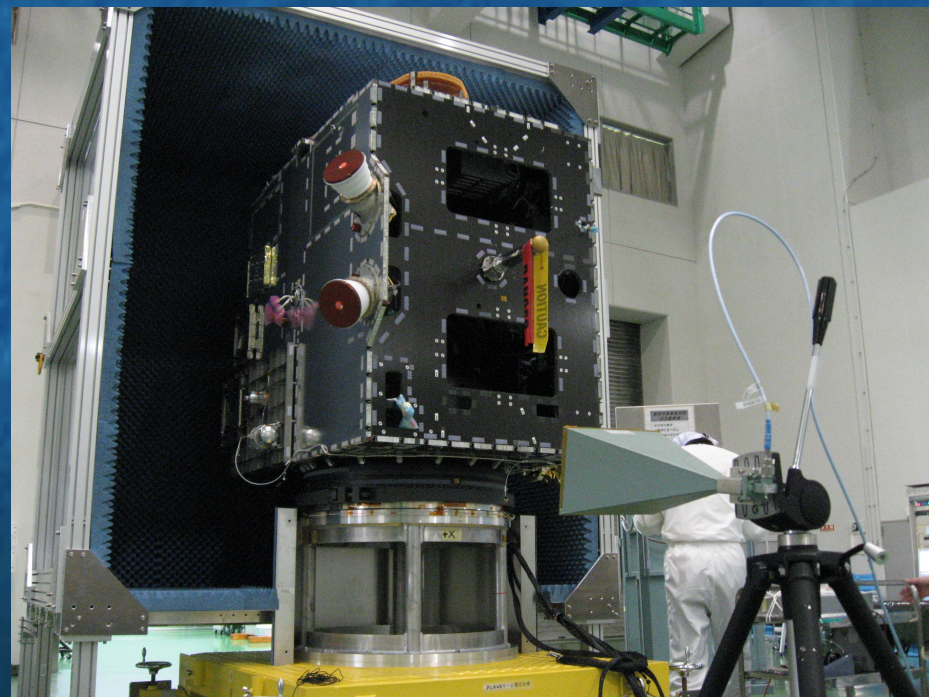
Pre-integration test



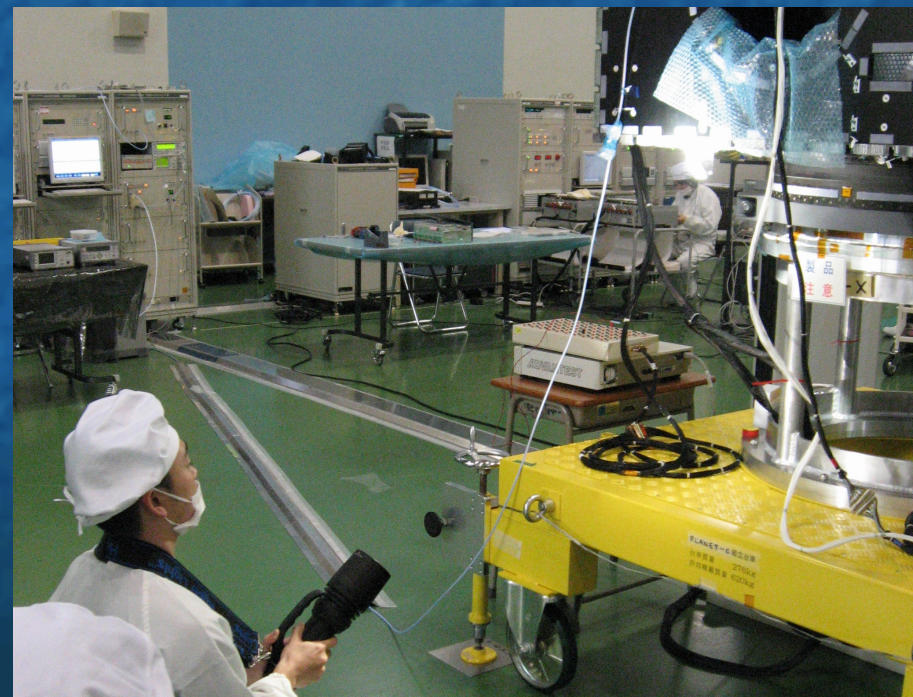
Mass Center Calibration



Reaction Wheel operation (not seen from outside)

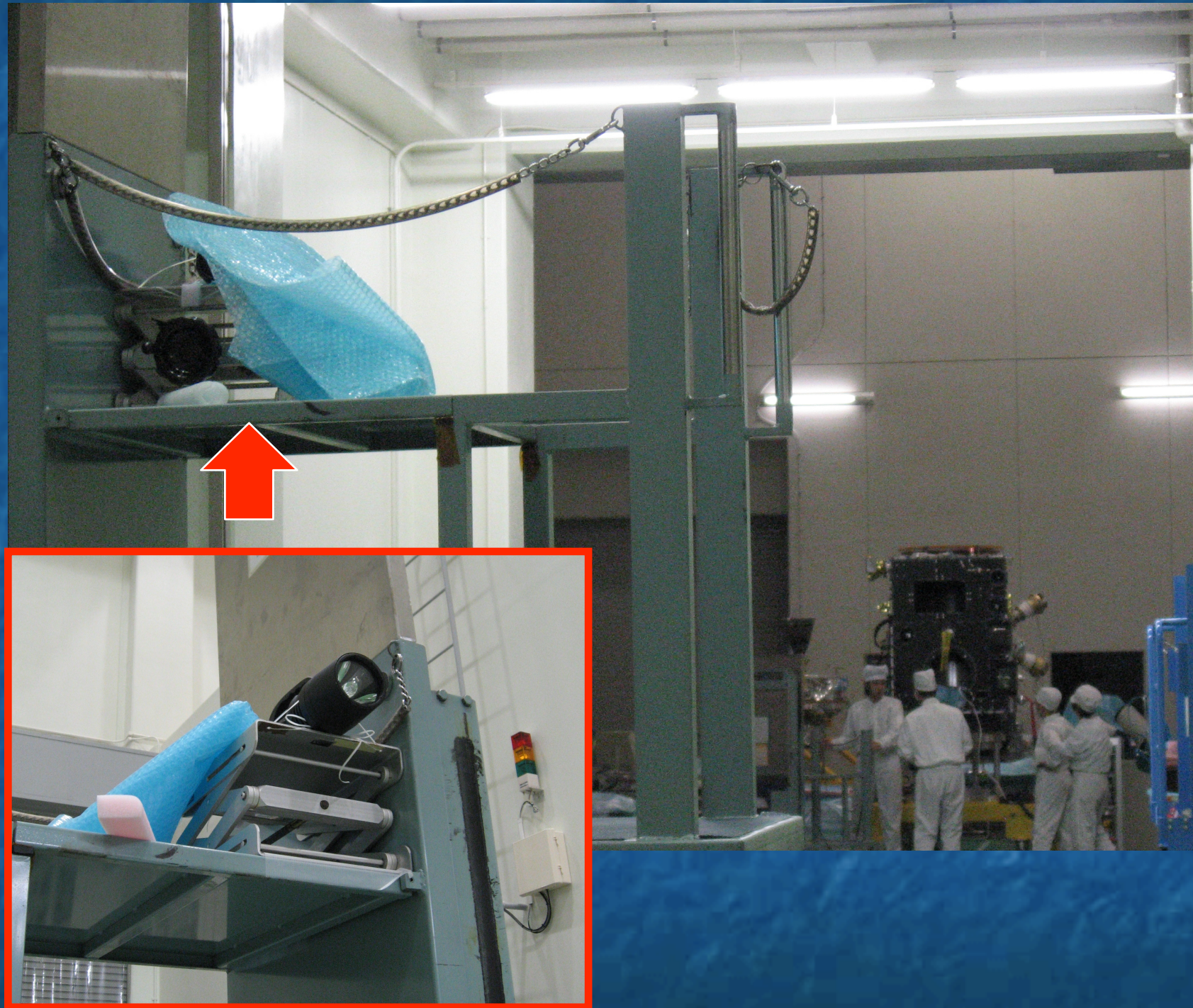


Test of the Transmitter



Calibration of the CSAS

The test of observation programs

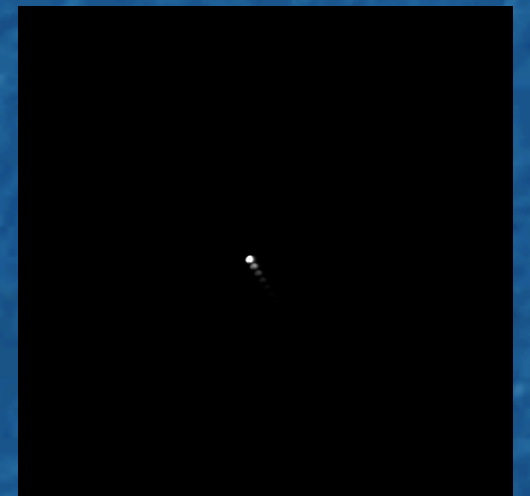


Target for Observation test

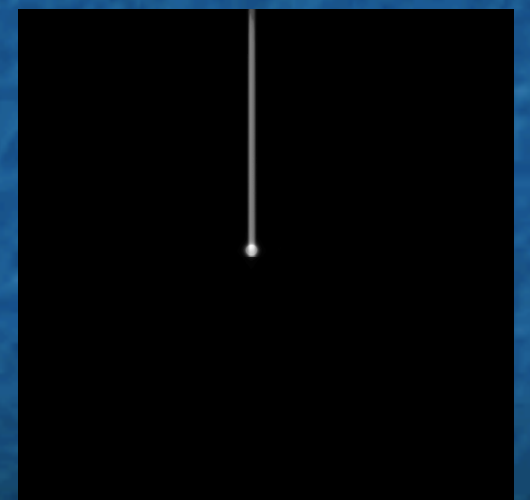
LIR



UVI



IR1



Verified items in Pre-integration test (1)

No.					Component	Science Instruments										Struc.Therm		Communication																
						IR1	IR2	IR-	LIR	LIR	UVI	UVI	VIDE	LA	LA	STF	MIN	HC	TIN	XH	XL	XM	XTV	SSF	XTF	XSI	XH'	XDI	CIR	US				
	Items																																	
	Electrical Compatibility																																	
1		Electrical Compatibility of components					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●					
2		Functional check of components					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●					
3		Performance check of components					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	△					
4		Functional check of the system					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●					
5		Performance check of the system					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	△					
6		Electromagnetic compatibility					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△					
7		The power consumption of component					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△					
	Mechanical Compatibility																																	
1		review of ICD					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△					
2		Mechanical Compatibility of componer					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△					
3		Instrumentation					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●					
4		An assembly procedure					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△					
5		Mass properties					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△					
	Thermal Control																																	
1		The attachment check of MLI					●	●	-	△	-	△	-	-	△	-	△	△	-	△	△	△	△	-	-	-	-	-	-					
	Pre-integration test																																	
1		Observation programs					●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-						
2		Power systems					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	●	-	-	-	-	●	-	-	●	●	●	●	●	-	-						
3		Telecommunications					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	●	●	●	●	●	△	●	●	●	△						
4		Attitude control					-	-	-	-	-	-	-	●	-	-	-	-	●	-	-	●	●	●	●	●	-	-						
						●	verified in Pre-integration test												▲	verified				-	N/A									
						○	partially verified in Pre-integration test												△	to be verified														

Verified items in Pre-integration test (2)

No.							Electrical Power					Data			Attitude															
					Component		BAT	PCU	SSR	SBD	SAP	SAD	DHU	TCIL	PIM	AOC	FSSI	CSA	SPS	DRV	IRU	ACM	RW/	STT	RCS	IG-E	WHS			
	Items																													
	Electrical Compatibility																													
1		Electrical Compatibility of components				●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	●	△			
2		Functional check of components				●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●			
3		Performance check of components				●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	●	○	△	●	●				
4		Functional check of the system				●	●	●	●	●	△	○	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	●	△	●	●				
5		Performance check of the systems				●	●	●	●	–	△	●	●	●	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	●	○	△	●	●				
6		Electromagnetic compatibility				●	●	●	●	●	△	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	○	●	●	●	△	●	●				
7		The power consumption of components				●	●	●	●	–	△	●	△	●	●	●	●	●	△	△	●	●	●	△	●	●				
	Mechanical Compatibility																													
1		review of ICD				●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	△	●	●	●	▲	●	●			
2		Mechanical Compatibility of components				●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	△	●	●	●	△	●	△			
3		Instrumentation				●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	△	●	●	●	△	●	●			
4		An assembly procedure				●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	△	●	●	●	▲	●	●			
5		Mass properties				●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	△	△	●	●	●	△	●	●			
	Thermal Control																													
1		The attachment check of MLI				▲	–	–	–	▲	–	–	–	–	–	–	△	△	–	–	–	–	–	△	△	–	△			
	Pre-integration test																													
1		Observation programs				–	–	–	–	–	–	●	–	●	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	●			
2		Power systems				●	●	●	●	–	●	●	●	–	–	–	–	●	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	●			
3		Telecommunications				–	–	–	–	–	–	●	●	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	●			
4		Attitude control				–	●	●	–	–	△	●	●	–	●	●	●	–	●	●	●	●	●	△	–	●				
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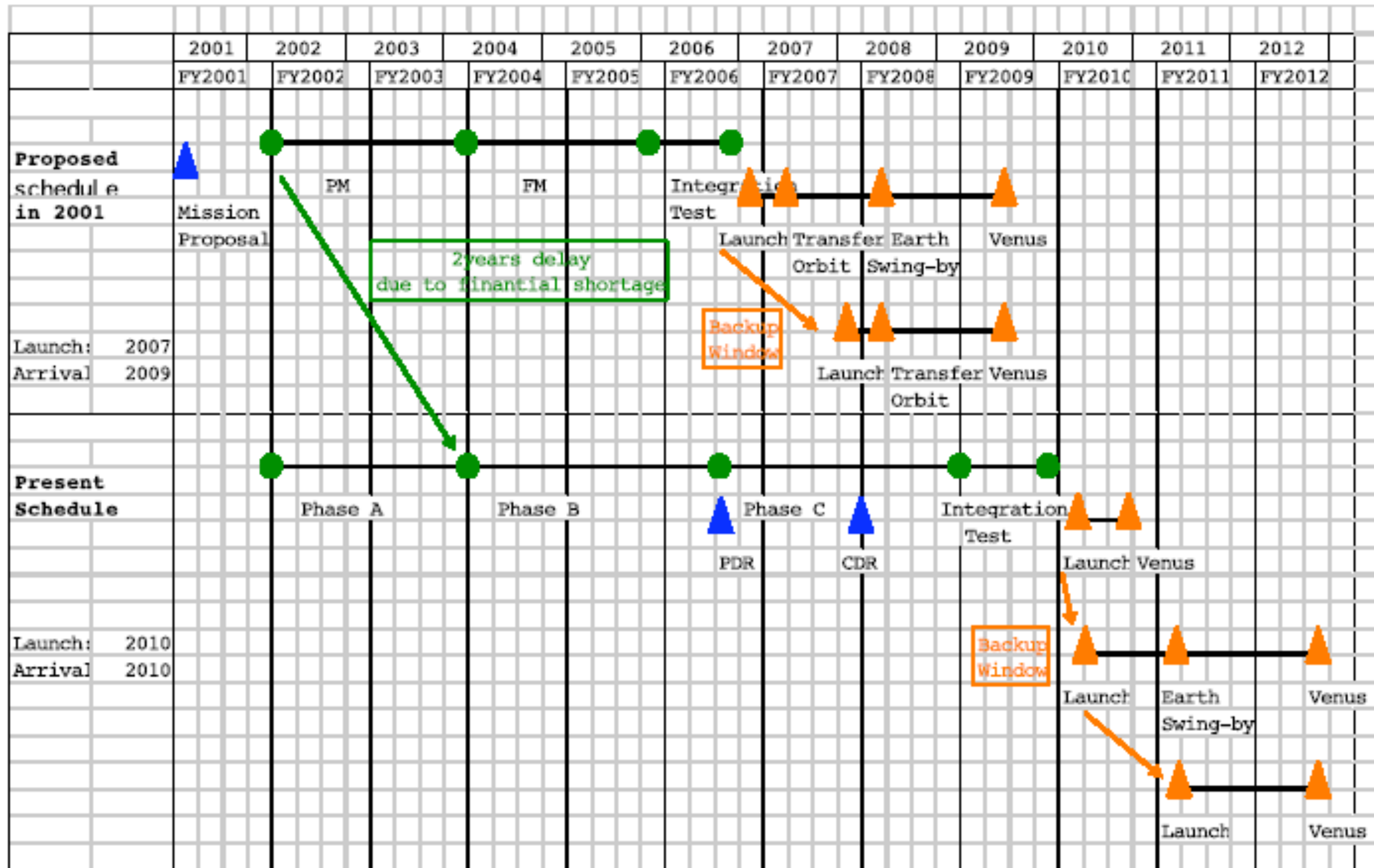
Action Items

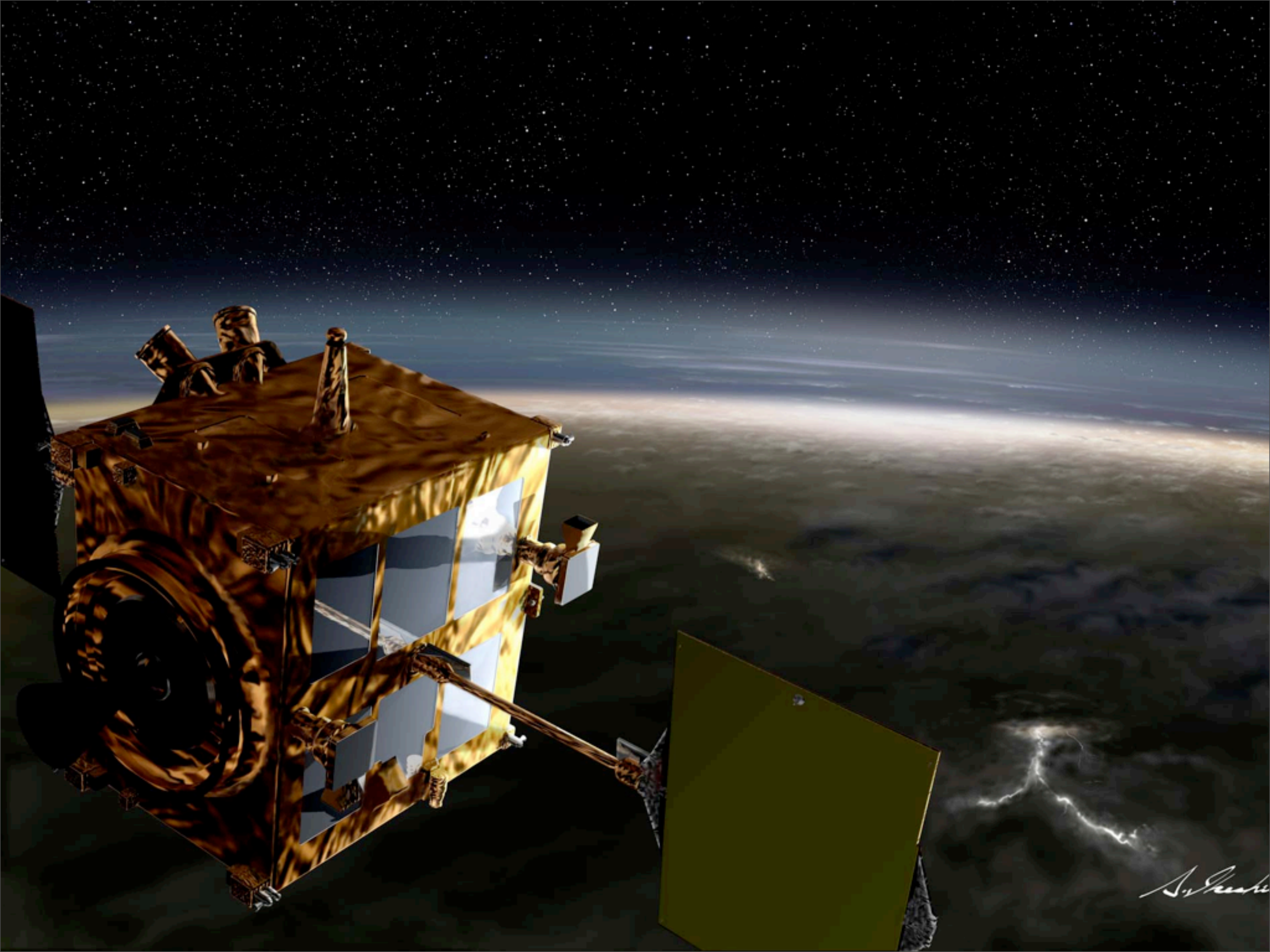
- Some software bugs must be corrected.
[DE, PCU, IR, XTRP, DRV]
- Mechanical Compatibility of some components must be improved. [WHS, WG, LGA, HGA, STR, IR, LAC, SAP, LIR]
- Handling ability of some components should be improved. [UVI, BAT, LAC,]
- An improvement of a circuit is required for some components. [PCU, LAC, EPS]

Integration test in 2009

- Mechanical Compatibility of Propulsion
- The attachment check of Multi-layer insulation
- Electrical Compatibility of Thermal control system
- The definition of an operation mode
- Integration test for DHU Automation programs
- Integration test for Command Signal Selector
- integration test for Observation programs

Schedule





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