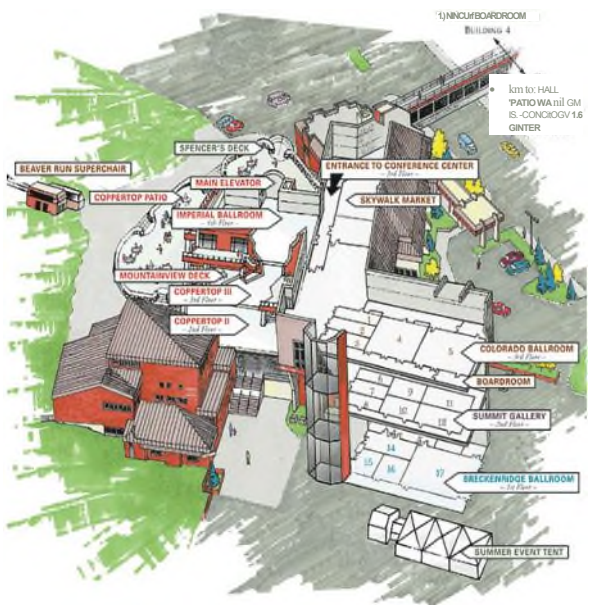


# PROGRAM

## 41<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL AAS GUIDANCE & CONTROL CONFERENCE

February 1<sup>st</sup> to  
February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018





**Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup> and  
Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

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**Check in ..... 7AM**

**Session ..... 8AM**

**Classified Session  
Classified Advances in G&C and  
Classified Recent Experiences**

Pre-registration by Jan 18, 2018 is required and will be controlled (walk-ins will NOT be admitted). Attendees must register for the entire AAS conference to be eligible to attend classified sessions. Contact a local chairperson for more information.

**Location of Classified Session:**

**The Aerospace Corporation  
7250 Getting Heights  
Colorado Springs, CO 80916**

## Traditional Conference Location

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### Beaver Run Conference Center

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## Conference Registration

Friday 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.  
Daily 6:30 to 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

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## Registration Questions

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## Conference Schedule Overview

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### Thursday, February 1<sup>nd</sup>

Badging and Breakfast	8–9 AM
Classified Session	9 AM–4:30 PM

### Friday, February 2<sup>rd</sup>

Badging and Breakfast	8–9 AM
Classified Session	9 AM–12:30 PM
Conference Registration	5–8 PM
Welcome Reception	6–9 PM

### Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

Morning Session	7–10 AM
AAS STEM SCAPE Event	10:30 AM–4 PM
NASA Astronaut for Children	4–5 PM
Technical Exhibits & Presentation of Student Awards	5–8 PM

### Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>

Posters Focus Session	8:30–9 AM
Morning Sessions	7–10 AM
Beyond the Textbook Tutorial	11 AM–2 PM
Afternoon Sessions	2–4 PM
Super Bowl '18 in Imperial Ballroom	4:15 PM

### Monday February 5<sup>th</sup>

Morning Sessions	7–10 AM
Beyond the Textbook Tutorial	1:30–3:30 PM
Afternoon Sessions	4–7 PM

### Tuesday February 6<sup>th</sup>

Morning Sessions	7–10 AM
Beyond the Textbook Tutorials	
10:30 AM–12:30 PM	and 1 PM–3 PM
Afternoon Sessions	4–7 PM

### Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>

Morning Session	7–10 AM
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**SATURDAY, February 3<sup>rd</sup>  
7 AM Conference Opening**

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**Session I**

**7–10 AM**

**Student Innovations in GN&C**

This session embraces the wealth of research and innovative projects related to spacecraft GN&C being accomplished in the university setting. Papers in this session address hardware/software research as well as component, system or simulation advances. Papers submitted must have a student as the primary author and presenter. Papers will be adjudicated based on level of innovation, complexity of problem solved, perceived technical readiness level, applicability and fieldability to near-term systems, clarity of written and verbal delivery, number of completed years of schooling and adherence to delivery schedule. The session will be limited to 8 papers with the top 3 papers receiving awards.

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- 18-011 **Combining Orbit Determination and Landed Transponder Spin-State Solutions via Multi-Arc Filtering**  
A. French, J. McMahon (University of Colorado)
- 18-012 **Rapid Motion Control of Flexible Space Systems**  
A. Atwood, M. Griggs, S. Wojdakowski, M. Karpenko (Naval Postgraduate School)
- 18-013 **Time-varying Communication Topology in Consensus Estimation of Spacecraft Relative Orbital Motion**  
J. Wang, E. Butcher (University of Arizona), Alan Lovel (Air Force Research Laboratory)
- 18-014 **Optimal Rate Observability Trajectory Planning For Proximity Operations Using Angles-Only Navigation**  
F. Franquiz, B. Udrea, M. Balas (Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University)
- 18-015 **Validation of a GNC Algorithm Using a Stereoscopic Imaging Sensor to Conduct Close Proximity Operations**  
D. Jennings, J. Davis, P. Galchenko, H. Pernicka (Missouri University of Science and Technology)
- 18-016 **Constructing a 3D Scale Space from Implicit Surfaces for Vision**  
A. Rhodes, J. Christian (West Virginia University)
- 18-017 **Autonomous Shape Determination Using Flash-Lidar Observations and Bezier Patches**  
B. Bercovici, J. McMahon (University of Colorado Boulder)

**18-018 Optimizing Satellite Orbital Geometries for Geolocation using RF Localization**

D. Lujan (Missouri University of Science and Technology), E. Clark, T. Lovell (Air Force Research Laboratory)

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**AAS STEM-SCAPE Event  
10:30 AM–4 PM**

In 2018, we will be hosting annual STEM event for one hundred high school students of diverse background from across the Denver metropolitan area. The event, called AAS STEM-SCAPE for “Student Career Arcs to Professional Engineers,” will trace the elements of a successful career journey in aerospace including High School and University education, initial employment and ultimately a rewarding profession. The keynote speaker will be followed by a STEM career panel. The event concludes with a short design project that will be co-led with student volunteers from the University of Colorado.

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**Special Event for Children of  
Conference Attendees and the  
Beaver Run Employees at 4 PM**

**NASA Astronaut, Richard Hieb**

This presentation will inspire our next generation of engineers by offering kids the opportunity to interact with an astronaut. Mission specialist on STS-39 and STS-49, payload commander on STS-65



**Technical Exhibits**

The Technical Exhibits Session is a unique opportunity to observe displays and demonstrations of state-of-the-art hardware, design and analysis tools, and services applicable to advancement of guidance, navigation, and control technology. The latest commercial tools for GN&C simulations, analysis, and graphical displays are demonstrated in a hands-on, interactive environment, including lessons learned and undocumented features. Associated papers not presented in other sessions are also provided and can be discussed with the author. Come enjoy an excellent complimentary buffet and interact with the technical representatives and authors. This session takes place in a social setting and family members are welcome!

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**Airbus**

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**Cayuga**

**EADS Sodern**

**Honeywell**

**Jena-Optronik GmbH**

**Jet Propulsion Laboratory**

**Lockheed Martin**

**Mathworks**

**NewSpace Systems**

**Northrop Grumman**

**Sierra Nevada Corporation**

**Utah State University Space Dynamics  
Laboratory**

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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Poster Focus Session**

**8:30–9 AM**

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The Poster Focus Session offers a unique forum for authors and interested parties to discuss relevant topics. Authors are required to accompany their posters during the Poster Focus Session. Posters do not require an accompanying written paper. However, authors who wish to have their work published in the proceedings can submit a written paper along with the poster.

In addition to the Poster Focus Session, posters will be available for viewing every day in the main conference room.

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**Entry, Descent, and Landing Guidance with Direct Force Control Using Aerodynamic Shape Morphing**

R. Lugo, R. Powell (AMA),  
A. Slagle, A. Korzun,  
A. Cianciolo (NASA)

**Vision based tracking controller for an on-orbit meteor observer**

R. T. Nallapu, A. Ravindran,  
J. Thangavelautham  
(University of Arizona)

**A Micro-Newton Impulse-Bit Hydrazine Thruster Design, Test and Mission Applications**

J.M. Parker (NASA/JPL), J.  
Blandino (Worcester  
Polytechnic Institute), D.  
Skulsky, J.R. Lewis  
(NASA/JPL)

**Spacecraft Attitude Control Using Circulating Liquid Metals**

J. Thangavelautham, R. T.  
Nallapu (University of  
Arizona)

**Reaction Wheel Energy Storage in a Small Satellite**

M. Duntz, F. Fogle, L. Sauter (United States Air  
Force Academy)

**On-Orbit Satellite Servicing Using Multiple Tethered Robots**

H. Kalita (University of Arizona)

**Dither Gyro Scale Factor Calibration the GOES-16 Flight Experience**

A. Reth (Chesapeake Aerospace)

## Dual Morning Sessions

**Session III**

**7–8:30 / 9–10:30 AM**

### Advanced Propulsion

The development of advanced propulsion technologies is critical for enabling spacecraft platforms ranging from CubeSats to ambitious human and robotic space exploration missions. Innovative developments in chemical, electric, nuclear, and propellantless propulsion will provide higher performance and greater operability, enabling new approaches ranging from launch to interstellar travel. This session will highlight advanced propulsion technologies matured by NASA, DOD, industry, and academia.

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**18-031 Mission Design Implications of the Updated Electric Sail Thrust Model**

A. Heaton (NASA)

**18-032 Solar Electric Propulsion Architectural Options for Future Applications on Ball Configurable Platforms**

B. Deininger, R. Dissly, S. Enger, JC SotoMike, J. Weinberg O'Hara (Ball Aerospace)

- 18-033 **Hybrid Rocket Propulsion Technology Development for Low Temperature**  
Ashley Karp (JPL)
- 18-034 **Earth to Mars Abort Analysis for Human Mars Missions**  
R. Joyner, J. Horton, T. Kokan, D. Levack, F. Widman (Aerojet Rocketdyne)
- 18-035 **Fusion and Fission/Fusion Hybrid Propulsion Concepts for Rapid Exploration of the Solar System**  
J. Cassibry (University of Alabama, Huntsville)
- 18-036 **Magnetoshell Aerocapture for Manned Missions and Planetary Deep Space Orbiters**  
A. Pancotti (MSNW)
- 18-037 **Continuous Grid Inertial Electrostatic Confinement Fusion**  
R. Sedwick, A. Chap, N. Schilling (University of Maryland)
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**Session IV                      7–8:30 / 9–10:30 AM**

**Small Satellite GN&C**

Cubesats and smallsats range in mass from less than 1kg up to 180kg, and are gaining in popularity and utility. At the high end of this mass range, 100 to 180kg ESPA-class spacecraft are now trusted platforms for scientific and defense missions and offer pointing accuracy, pointing stability, and position knowledge that is compatible with Earth science missions. For cubesats, the GN&C capabilities are advancing quickly in an effort to support science and technology development missions. RPO and docking as well as significant on-board mission data processing capabilities.

This session is open to papers covering both hardware and software aspects of smallsat and cubesat GN&C. Papers on technology development for GN&C and mission GN&C experience are welcomed.

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- 18-041    **GNC Implementations for Small Interplanetary and Lunar Spacecraft**  
M. Baumgart (Blue Canyon)
- 18-042    **Mobility and Science Operations on an Asteroid Using a Hopping Small Spacecraft on Stilts**  
H. Kalita (University of Arizona)
- 18-043    **Dynamic Programming Based Attitude Trajectories for Underactuated Control Systems**  
Vedant (University of Illinois)
- 18-044    **Sensor Fusion for Attitude Determination**  
Vedant (University of Illinois)
- 18-045    **Advanced GNC Techniques for Autonomous Rendezvous Proximity Operations and Docking of Small Satellites**  
Christopher W. T. Roscoe, Jason J. Westphal, Jason Crane, and Islam I. Hussein (Applied Defense Solutions)

- 18-047 **Verification of Attitude Determination and Control Capabilities for CubeSat-Class Spacecraft**  
M. Sorgenfrei (SGT/NASA Ames)
- 18-048 **Effects of Atmospheric Density Uncertainties on the Probability of Collision for Small Satellites**  
C. Bussy-Virat (University of Michigan)
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**TUTORIAL SESSION** **11 AM–1 PM**

**Beyond the Textbook Tutorial: Hands-on Demonstration of Using the Basilisk Astrodynamics Framework**

**Speaker: Hanspeter Schaub, University of Colorado**

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### **Parallel Afternoon Sessions**

**Session V** **2–4 PM**  
**Entry Descent & Landing GN&C**

Entry, descent, and landing technologies enable surface exploration of celestial bodies and safe return of payloads to Earth. Recent advances have improved landed mass capability at Mars and enabled the reuse of launch vehicle first stages. Ongoing work to further improve performance at government, industry, and university laboratories will enable more ambitious missions in the future. This session provides a venue for the discussion of advanced guidance and control technology for atmospheric entry vehicles and powered and unpowered descent and landing systems, including technologies for precision navigation and targeting, hazard avoidance, and safe landing.

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- 18-051    **COBALT: A Terrestrial Flight Test of Landing Navigation using Lander Vision System with Navigation**  
S. Collins, C. Seubert (NASA JPL)
- 18-052    **Aerocapture System Options for Delivery of Small Satellites to Mars**  
J. Williams, G. Falcone, Z.R. Putnam (University of Illinois)
- 18-053    **Entry, Descent, and Landing Performance for a Mid-Lift-to- Drag Ratio Vehicle at Mars**  
B. Johnson, E. Braden, R. Sostaric, C. Cerimele (NASA JSC), P. Lu (SDSU)
- 18-054    **Fuel-Optimal and Apollo Powered Descent Guidance Compared for High-Mass Mars Mission**  
P. Lu (SDSU)
- 18-055    **Paper Withdrawn**



## Parallel Afternoon Sessions

**Session VI**

**2–4 PM**

### **GN&C Challenges of Asteroid Deflection**

In recent years, the detection of small bodies threatening the Earth and the characterization of asteroids for the purpose of resource utilization have received much attention. Threat mitigation efforts include actively perturbing the trajectory, while utilization efforts might include redirecting these small bodies to locations which facilitate access. The success of these endeavors depends directly on the ability to guide, navigate and control the robotic systems needed to meet that challenge. This session will highlight the Guidance, Navigation and Control challenges of deflecting and redirecting small bodies such as comets and asteroids.

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**18-061 Dynamics and Control of a Tethered Enhanced Gravity Tractor Performing Asteroid Deflection**

H. Shen (Analytical Mechanics Associates, Inc.), C. Roithmayr, Y. Li (NASA-Langley)

- 18-062 Osiris-REx Navigation performance during First Leg of OUTBOUND Cruise**  
P. Antreasian, J. Leonard, J. McAdams, B. Page, D. Wibben, K. Williams (KinetX), M. Moreau (NASA-GSFC)
- 18-063 Small-body Maneuvering Autonomous Real-Time Navigation (SMART Nav): guiding a spacecraft to Didymos**  
M. Chen, J. Atchison, D. Carrelli, P. Ericksen, Z. Fletcher, S. Jenkins, S. Jensenius, N. Mehta, T. Miller, D. O'Shaughnessy (JHU-APL)
- 18-064 The RVS3000 and RVS3000-3D LIDAR Sensors - Test Results and Development Outlook**  
F. M. Kolb, S. Dochow, C. Heilmann, B. Linhart, C. Schmitt, M. Schwarz, M. Windmueller (Jena-Optronik GmbH)
- 18-065 OSIRIS-REx Guidance, Navigation and Control Preparation for Bennu Proximity Operations**  
R. Olds, T. Schlapkohl (Lockheed Martin)

### **Super Bowl '18**

#### **4:15 in the Imperial Ballroom**

Family Members of conference attendees  
are welcome!

Sandwiches and appetizers will be served

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>**

**Parallel Morning Sessions**

**Session VII**

**7-10 AM**

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**Advances in GN&C Algorithms**

Successful GN&C system performance is often dependent on innovative software.

This session is open to all development processes and systems ranging from vehicle code used to operate the spacecraft system, ground software used for operations/analysis, or simulations/frameworks used to test, validate or develop GN&C systems. The intent is to include current best practices as well as challenges in future software development such as the inclusion of complex systems like artificial intelligence, machine learning, vision processing, and iterative numerical solvers.

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**18-071 Closed Loop Pointing of the Remote Sensing Mast of the Mars 202 Rover**

P. Brugarolas, Z. Rahman, J. Casoliva, G. Griffin, A. Johnson, Y. Cheng (JPL)

**18-072 Comparing Coarse Sun Sensor Based Sequential Sun-heading Filters**

T. Teil, S. Piggott, H. Schaub (University of Colorado)

- 18-073 **An innovative Control Law for MICROCARB Microsatellite**  
F. Genin, F. Viaud (CNES)
- 18-074 **Complete Solution to the Lambert Problem with Perturbations and Target State Uncertainties**  
B. Thompson, D. Brown (Odyssey Space Research), R. Cobb
- 18-075 **Recovering Time and State for Autonomous Navigation Systems in Deep Space**  
A. Dahir, D. Kubitschek, S. Palot (University of Colorado)
- 18-076 **Phase-Plane Control Algorithm with Adaptive Minimum-impulse Bit Integral Control**  
J. Aldrich, A. San Martin (JPL)
- 18-077 **In-flight Redundant Gyro Calibration Using Unscented Kalman Filter**  
L. Dahl (Ball Aerospace)
- 18-078 **Reinforcement Learning Techniques for Autonomous Aerobraking**  
A. Harris, H. Schaub (University of Colorado)
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**Future of Crewed Exploration  
Introduction from Mike Hawes  
VP at Lockheed Martin  
Orion Program Manager  
7-7:15 AM**

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**Session VIII**

**7:15-10 AM**

**GN&C Advances to Enable New Frontiers  
in Crewed Spaceflight**

NASA and its commercial and international partners strive to bring astronauts to new Lunar, asteroid and Martian destinations, increasingly new and innovative GN&C technologies will be required to transport and deliver crews and return them safely to the Earth.

Many new approaches are already in the final stages of development on the Orion and Space Launch System (SLS) programs, and yet further advances will be necessary to take the next steps to reach Mars in the coming decades. This session explores key advancements in automation, guidance, navigation and Fault Detection/Isolation (FDI) technologies which will ultimately enable human exploration onto lunar bases and beyond.

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- 18-081    **RAON: Revolution in Autonomous Orbital Navigation**  
R. Bhatia, D. Geller (Utah State University)
- 18-082    **Exploring the Limits of High Altitude GPS for Future Lunar Missions**  
B. Ashman, J. Parker (NASA Goddard), F. Bauer (The Aerospace Corp), M. Esswein (Virginia Polytechnic Institute)
- 18-083    **Deep Space Autonomous Navigation Options for Future NASA Crewed Missions**  
S. Steffes, G. Barton, S. Bhatt, M. Fritz, E. King (Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, Inc), C. D'Souza, D. Woffinden (NASA/JSC)

- 18-084 **Orion's Powered Flight Guidance Burn Options for near term Exploration Missions**  
T. Fill (Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, Inc), J. Goodman (Odyssey Space Research), S. Robinson (NASA/JSC)
- 18-085 **Orion EM-1 FDIR Architecture**  
H. Mamich (Lockheed Martin)
- 18-086 **In-Flight Flight Software Reconfiguration for Orbit Burns**  
D. Dionne (Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, Inc)
- 18-087 **Orion Burn Automation Response to Failures**  
R. Odegard (Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, Inc), K. Pohlkamp, C. Barrett, D. Dannemiller (NASA Johnson), J. Sud (Lockheed Martin)
- 18-088 **A Generic Approach for Optimal BangOff-Bang Spacecraft Maneuvers**  
E. Taheris, J. Junkins (Texas A&M University)

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**TUTORIAL SESSION 10:30 AM–3:30 PM**

**Beyond the Textbook: Program to Optimize Simulated Trajectories II (POST2) Introductory Tutorial (Rafael Lugo, AMA).**  
Tutorial participation is limited to US-persons as defined by ITAR. Signups will be at the registration desk on check-in

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**Parallel Afternoon Sessions**

**Session IX**

**4–7 PM**

**Advances in GN&C Software**

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- 18-091     Modular Software Architecture for Fully-Coupled Spacecraft Simulations**  
C. Allard, M. Ramos, P. Kenneally, H. Schaub, S. Piggott (University of Colorado)
- 18-092     A performance Analysis of On-orbit Numerical Propagators**  
S. Shuster, D. Geller (Utah State University)  
T. Smith (Space Dynamics Lab)
- 18-093     Flexible Basilisk Astrodynamics Visualization Software Using the Unity Rendering Engine**  
H. Schaub, J. Wood, M. Cols Margenet, P. Kenneally (University of Colorado)
- 18-094     Software Simulator for Heterogeneous Spacecraft and Mission Components**  
M. Cols-Margenet, P. Kenneally, H. Schaub, S. Piggott (University of Colorado)
- 18-095     Optimal Multi-Variable Multi-Constraint Spacecraft GN&C Performance Requirement Derivation**  
D. Woffinden (JSC), S. Bhatt, D. Kirkpatrick

- 18-096 **Fast Spacecraft Solar Radiation Pressure Modeling by Ray-Tracing on Graphic Processing Unit**  
P. Kenneally, H. Schaub (University of Colorado)
- 18-097 **Spacecraft articulation Characterization Using Monocular Computer Vision**  
D. Curtis, R. Cobb (AFIT)
- 18-098 **New Methodology for Wind Modeling for Launcher Application**  
M. Ganet-Schoeller (Ariane Group),  
V. Feuillard
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## **Session X**

**4-7 PM**

### **Advances in GN&C Hardware**

Many programs depend on heritage, but the future is advanced by those willing to design and implement new and novel architectures and technologies to solve the GN&C problems. This session is open to papers with topics concerning GN&C hardware ranging from theoretical formulations to innovative systems and intelligent sensors that will advance the state of the art, reduce the cost of applications, and speed the convergence to hardware, numerical, or design trade solutions.

- 18-101 **A new domestic source for high performance star trackers : The Ball CT-2020**  
E. Tchilian, T. Ebben, K. Miller (Ball Aerospace)
- 18-102 **High Performance Reaction Wheels**  
E. Stromswold, J. Krebs, B. Sullivan, S. Fox (Cayuga Astronautics)
- 18-103 **Attitude Control System Complexity Reduction via Tailored Viscoelastic Damping Co-Designs**  
Lin, D. Herber, Vedant, Y. H. Lee, A. Ghosh, R. Ewoldt, J. T. Allison (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)



- 18-104 **Hydra Star Tracker for JUICE mission**  
B. Gelin, G. Montay, Y. Henriquel, J. F. Bouvry (SODERN), P. Regnier (Airbus Defence & Space), D. Gherardi (ESA)
- 18-105 **Rate Measurement Unit for Attitude Determination and Control Subsystem**  
J. Beitia (InnaLabs), S. Kowaltschek (ESA)
- 18-106 **BCT Advancing GN&C Hardware with the RW4 & RW8**  
M. Carton, B. Peters, C. Messick, S. Steg, M. Baumgart, D. Hegel, S. Schneider (Blue Canyon Technologies)
- 18-107 **ASTRO-XP High Accuracy Star Tracker**  
U. Schmidt, B. Pradarutti (Jena-Optronik)
- 18-108 **Atom Interferometry: Lockheed Martin Systems Development**  
V. Benischek, H. Rice, L. Sczaniecki (Lockheed Martin)
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**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Parallel Morning Sessions**

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**Science Weather Enabled Introduction from Mike Gazarik, VP of Engineering at Ball Aerospace 7–7:30 AM**

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**Session XI**

**7:30–10 AM**

**Science Weather Enabled**

This session looks at the scientific results that GN&C has helped deliver. From exoplanet detections to Martian habitability to studying on our own planet, G&C engineering has played a significant role in enabling some of the most exciting scientific discoveries of our generation. These findings not only add to the body of scientific knowledge of our world and worlds beyond, they light the public's imagination and inspire tomorrow's scientists and engineers.

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- 18-111      **On-Orbit Verification of GMI Instrument Spin Balance Stability Performance to Enable Essential Weat**  
G. Ashton, L. Ayari, M. Kubitschek, S. Johnston, D. Debevec, D. Newell (Ball Aerospace), J. Pelliciot (NASA GSFC)
- 18-112      **GOES-16 ABI On-Orbit INR Tuning and Performance**  
D. Gall, V. Virgilio, R. Forkert, J. Van Naarden, P. Griffith (Harris Corporation)
- 18-113      **Imaging X-Ray Polarimetry Explorer Mission Attitude Determination and Control Concept**  
J. Blatt, W. Deininger, W. Kalinowski, M. Boysen, K. Bygott, J. Ferguson, L. Guy, C. Pentz, H. Phan, J. Wedmore (Ball Aerospace)
- 18-114      **Optical Autocovariance Wind Lidar for Guidance, Navigation, and Control**  
S. Tucker (Ball Aerospace)
- 18-115      **Preliminary Saturn Atmospheric Density Results from Cassini's Final Plunge**  
D. Boone, M. Wong, J. Bellerose, D. Roth (JPL/Caltech)
- 18-116      **JPSS-1 - Building the Nation's Next-Generation Operational Polar-orbiting Weather Satellite**  
S. Asbury (Ball Aerospace)

- 18-117      **Novel Spacecraft Recovery,  
Guidance, and Control to Enable  
Kepler Science Mission  
Continuation**  
K. McCalmont-Everton, D. Putnam, D.  
Wiemer, K.A. Larson, C.A. Peterson,  
S.E. Ross  
(Ball Aerospace)
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## **Session XII**

**7–10 AM**

### **Pioneers of GN&C and Astrodynamics**

This session will offer reflections on the careers and contributions of scientists and engineers who pioneered notable technical solutions for our aerospace community.

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- 18-121      **How Doc Draper Became the Father  
of Inertial Guidance**  
Phil Hattis (Draper)
- 18-122      **Henry Hoffman: NASA’s Satellite  
Doctor**  
J. O’Donnell, C. Dennehy (GSFC)
- 18-123      **Astrodynamics Pioneer: Robert  
Farquhar**  
K. Howell (Purdue)
- 18-124      **Brad Parkinson: Father of GPS**  
F. Bauer (FBauer Aerospace  
Consulting Services)
- 18-125      **Pioneers of GN&C: L. S. Pontryagin**  
M. Ross (NPS)
- 18-126      **Nguyen Xuan Vinh – A Life in  
Hypersonic Flight**  
A. Wolf (JPL)
- 18-127      **Innovation Experiences From  
Vanguard, Explorer 1, Sidewinder,  
and NOTSNIK**  
J. Goodman (Odyssey)

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**TUTORIAL SESSION 10:30 AM-12:30 PM**

**Beyond the Textbook: Nav Filter Best Practices**

**Speaker: Russell Carpenter (GSFC) Chris D'Souza (NASA/JSC)**

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**TUTORIAL SESSION**

**1-3 PM**

**Beyond the Textbook: Applying Missile Intercept GN&C Solutions to the Problem of Asteroid Deflection for Planetary Defense**

**Speakers: Nahum Melamed, Damian Toohey (The Aerospace Corp.)**

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**Parallel Afternoon Sessions**

**Session XIII**

**4-7 PM**

**Space Launch System (SLS) Navigation**

NASA's Space Launch System (SLS) represents a new era in space exploration for the United States. With the ability to implement increasingly more powerful launch configurations for both crew and cargo, SLS will help transport human and robotic missions to the moon, Mars, and beyond. This session will explore the navigation solutions required for mission success of this next generation space vehicle and its missions.

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- 18-131 **SLS Navigation Model-Based Design Approach**  
T. E. Oliver, E. Anzalone, K. Geohagan (MSFC), W. Bernard, T. Park (MSFC/Dynamic Concepts)
- 18-132 **6DOF Testing of the LS Inertial Navigation Unit**  
K. Geohagan (MSFC), W. Bernard (MSFC/Dynamic Concepts), T. E. Oliver, J. Leggett (MSFC), D. Strickland (MSFC/CRM Solutions, Inc.)
- 18-133 **Sensor Data Quality and Angular Rate Down-Selection Algorithms on SLS EM-1**  
T. Park (MSFC/Dynamic Concepts), A. Smith, T. E. Oliver (MSFC)
- 18-134 **Optimization of Second Fault Detection Thresholds to Maximize Mission POS**  
E. Anzalone (MSFC)
- 18-135 **SLS Block 1-B and Exploration Upper Stage Navigation System Design**  
T. E. Oliver (MSFC) / T. Park (MSFC/Dynamic Concepts), A. Smith, E. Anzalone, W. Bernard (MSFC/Dynamic Concepts), D. Strickland (MSFC/CRM Solutions, Inc.), K. Geohagan (MSFC), M. Green (MSFC/Jacobs Engineering), J. Leggett (MSFC)
- 18-136 **PEG Enhancement for EM1 and EM2+ Missions**  
P. Von der Porten, N. Ahmad (MSFC), M. Hawkins (MSFC/Jacobs Engineering)
- 18-137 **Assessment and Verification of SLS Block 1-B Exploration Upper Stage State and Stage Disposal Performance**  
S. Patrick, T. E. Oliver (MSFC)

## Advances in RPOD

This session explores the state of the art technologies that enable rendezvous, proximity operations and docking with manmade or natural targets (cooperative or non-cooperative). Precise optical range sensors such as LIDARs that provide in-situ measurements coupled with modern algorithms are key to robust and optimal planning of autonomous operations.

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**18-141     Advanced State Estimation For Orion Orbital Rendezvous**

W. Pisano (Infinite Horizon Co),  
P. Good (LMSSC)

**18-142     Re-Evaluating Orion's Relative Navigation Filter Design for NASA's Future Exploration Missions**

D. Woffinden (NASA/JSC), K. Tuggle (U. Texas), C. D'Souza (NASA/JSC), R. Zanetti (U. Texas)

**18-143     Retro-Reflector Pattern Design and Identification for Orion Rendezvous, Proximity Operations, and Docking**

S. Robinson (NASA/JSC),  
C. Ertl (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute), J. Christian (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute)

- 18-144 **Restore-L: Advanced In-Space Robotic Servicing Mission Enabled by a 3D Flash Lidar VNS**  
R. Rohrschneider, Lutgring (Ball Aerospace)
- 18-145 **The Natural Feature Tracking and LIDAR Hybrid Approach for OSIRIS-REx Sample Collection**  
R. Olds (LMSSC), C. Miller (LMSSC), M. Skeen (LMSSC), D. Lorenz (NASA/GSFC), K. Berry (NASA/GSFC)
- 18-146 **On a General Formulation of Relative Motion and Burn Targeting for Non-Circular Rendezvous**  
M. Wilkinson (SGT, Inc),  
D. Dannemiller (NASA/JSC)
- 18-147 **Sampling-Based Receding Horizon Guidance for the Safe Inspection of a Tumbling Spacecraft**  
F. Capolupo (Airbus), S. Mast (TU Delft)
- 18-148 **Optimal Maneuvers for Safe RPO Using Relative Orbital Elements and Sequential Convex Programming**  
N. Ortolano (Utah State), D. Geller (Utah State), A. Avery (Space Dynamics Lab)

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## **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Session XIV**

**4–7 PM**

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### **Recent Experiences**

This session focuses on recent experiences in spaceflight GN&C, providing a forum to share insights gained through successes and failures. Discussions typically include GN&C experiences ranging from Earth orbiters to interplanetary spacecraft.

This session is a traditional part of the conference and has shown to be most interesting and informative.

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**18-151 Flying Cassini Through the Grand Finale Orbits: Prediction VS. Reality**

M. Vaquero, Y. Hahn, S. Hernandez, F. Laipert, P. Valerino, S. Wagner, M. Wong, D. Roth (NASA/JPL)

**18-152 Cassini Orbit Determination Operations through the final Titan flybys and the mission Grand Finale**

J. Bellerose, D. Roth, D. Boone, Z. Tarzi, K. Criddle, R. Ionasescu (JPL / Caltech)

**18-153 The Unexpected Root Cause Conclusions of Reaction Wheel Failures on Kepler and FUSE**

B. Bialke (Lochridge Farm LLC), E. Hansell (United Technologies Aerospace Systems)

**18-154 ESA's Recent Experience with Reaction Wheel Performance**

F. Liebold, R. Seiler, T. Haefner, D. Bojiloff, J. Demming (ESA/ESTEC)



- 18-155 **SEXTANT X-ray Pulsar  
Navigation Demonstration: On-  
Orbit Calibration and  
Preliminary Results**  
J. Mitchell, M. Hassouneh, L.  
Winternitz, S. Price, W. Yu, S.  
Semper (NASA-GSFC), P. Ray  
(NRL), K. Wood (Praxis Inc.), Z.  
Arzoumanian, K. Gendreau  
(NASA-GSFC)
- 18-157 **Aerodynamic Torqueing  
Quadruples Fuel-Life of the  
MAVEN Mars Orbiter**  
W. Pisano (Infinite Horizon Co),  
M. Johnson (Lockheed Martin)
- 18-158 **MosaicGPS Receiver in  
Geostationary Orbit – On Orbit  
Performance Analysis**  
M. Hartrampf (Airbus), E. Gottzein  
(University Stuttgart), P. Krauss  
(Airbus)

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