



# SPACE

## The Final Frontier



# ABOUT THE PROJECT

To learn some of the fundamental concepts of space exploration, and learn about the tools we use to venture the void.

# TIMELINE:

**24th - 30th May:**  
Introductory Design  
and Structure

**7th - 14th June:**  
Kerbal Space  
Program  
Assignment 2A

**22nd - 29th June:**  
Communication  
and Deep Space  
Networks

**8th - 14th July:**  
Habitability and  
Interstellar Voyage

**1st - 6th June:**  
Rocket Equation,  
Re-Entry and Heat  
Shields.  
Assignment 1

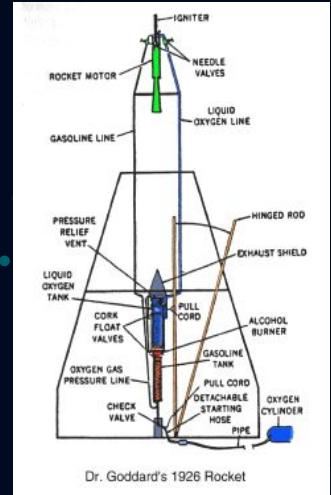
**14th - 21st June:**  
Propellant, Engines  
and Aerodynamics  
of Rocket.  
Assignment 2B

**1st - 7th July:**  
Orbital Dynamics and  
unusual methods of  
Propulsion

# Goddard's Contribution:

On March 16, 1926, -Successfully launched the first liquid-fueled rocket

- Used Oxygen (Oxidizer) and Gasoline Fuel
- Used extremely cold liquid oxygen via a network of pipes to keep the combustion chamber cool



## 1912–1977 Dr. Werner von Braun

Development of pre-war Germany's rocket Program and the V2 project

## 1887–1935 Konstantin E. Tsiolkovsky

Tsiolkovsky advocated liquid propellant rocket engines

## 1960 Delta Family

One of the most versatile of the commercial and military payload launch rockets

## 1969 Apollo 11

On July 16, the Apollo 11 mission launched via a Saturn V rocket

## 1926 Robert H Goddard

Built and flew the world's first liquid propellant rocket on March 16, 1926

## 1950 Atlas

It was adapted to carry John Glenn and 3 other mercury astronauts to space

# APOLLO ROCKETS

These are all the **rockets** that were **used** in the **Apollo program**.



## Apollo Mission Rockets



# Rocket Design



## PAYLOAD

Payload is the carrying capacity of an aircraft or launch vehicle, usually measured in terms of weight. Rocket payload may include cargo, passengers, fuel, etc.

## FAIRING

Fairing is the enclosure of the uppermost stage of a rocket and provides protection from heat, atmosphere and biospheric contamination.

## BODY

This is the main bulk of the rocket mainly made up from rocket engine, fuel tanks (+ propellant and oxidizer) and the external frame of the rocket.

## FINS

- Fins are usually attached to the bottom of the rocket to add maneuverability and stability in the upper atmosphere.

# SHOCK DYNAMICS

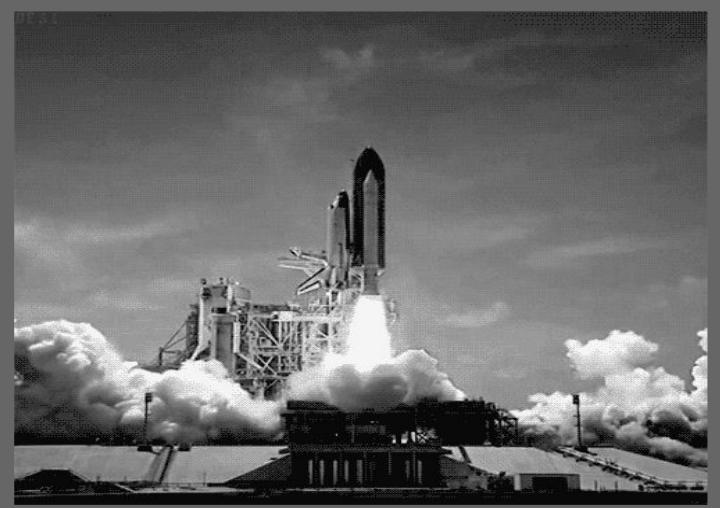
- As a rocket moves through a gas, the gas molecules are deflected around the rocket.
- As the speed of the object approaches the speed of sound, we must consider compressibility effects on the gas.
- The result is a Shock Wave.



# AERODYNAMIC STABILITY OF ROCKET

## TWO MAJOR FACTORS OF A ROCKET'S STABILITY:

- LOCATION OF CENTRE OF PRESSURE( $C_p$ )
- LOCATION OF CENTRE OF GRAVITY( $C_g$ )



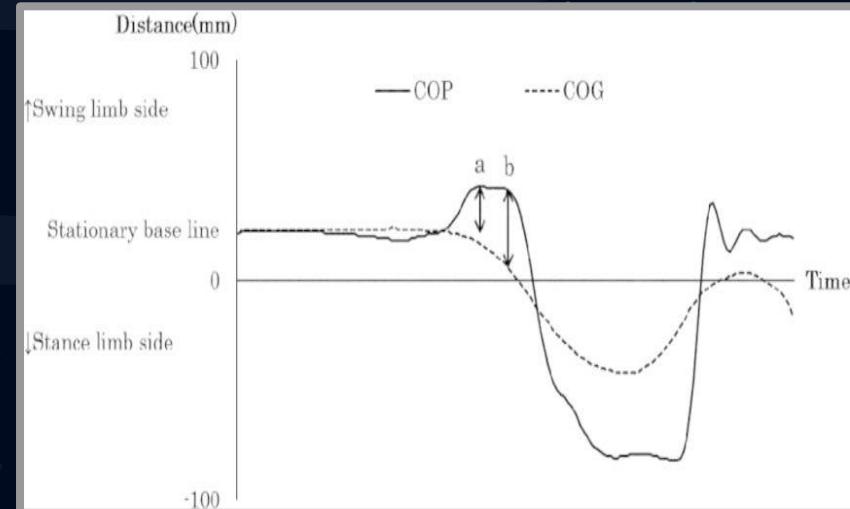
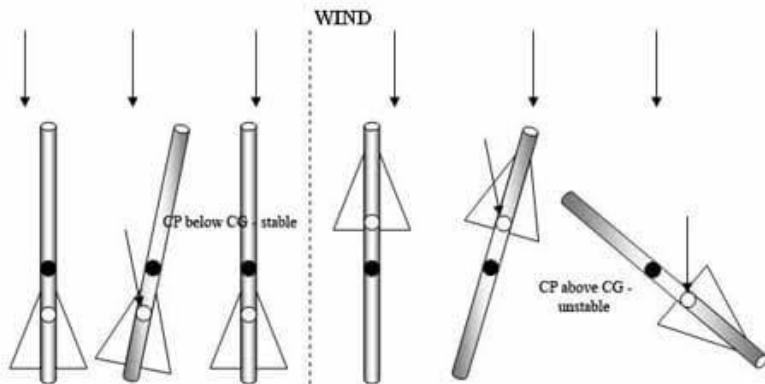
- Both follow a certain characteristic nature across the timeline of a rocket.
- Location of  $C_p$  rises as the ratio of (velocity of rocket/speed of sound) increases

While LOCATION OF  $C_g$  FALLS WITH THE BURNING OF PROPELLANTS .

**LOCATION OF  $C_p$  SHOULD ALWAYS BE BELOW THE LOCATION OF  $C_g$  TO MAINTAIN THE EFFECT OF RESTORING FORCE AND EVENTUALLY STABILIZE THE ROCKET.**

**THESE LOCATIONS CHANGE DRASTICALLY WHEN THE ROCKET IS NEAR THE SPEED OF SOUND.**

- Center of Gravity – Point of Rotation
- Center of Pressure – Point of Wind Force Application



# Re-entry Of Rocket

When any object enters atmosphere from space ,it experiences atmospheric drag which puts mechanical stress on the object and causes aerodynamic heating due to compression of air in front of the spacecraft and drag.Hence re-entry should be a guided maneuver and to accomplish this task aerodynamics of the re-entry capsule is such that it minimises the drag.

## Types of reentry-

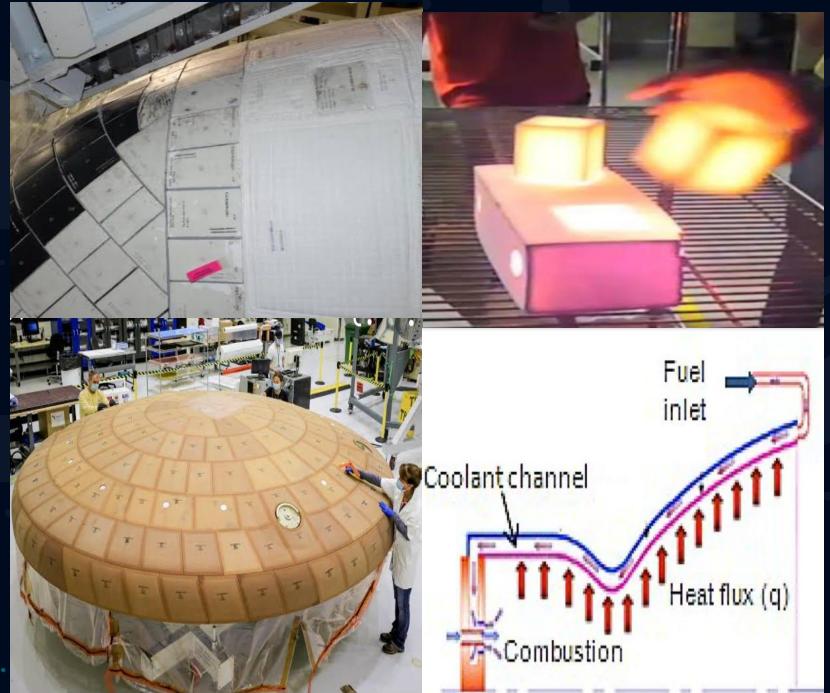
- Ballistic reentry
- Aerodynamic reentry

# Heat Shields

It protects the fuel tank and equipment from the heat produced during the re-entry.

Types of heat shields:

- Insulation blanket
- Insulation tiles
- Reinforced carbon-carbon
- Ablative heat shield
- Regenerative cooling



# Rocket Equation

- For the **Ideal case**, not considering drag and gravity :

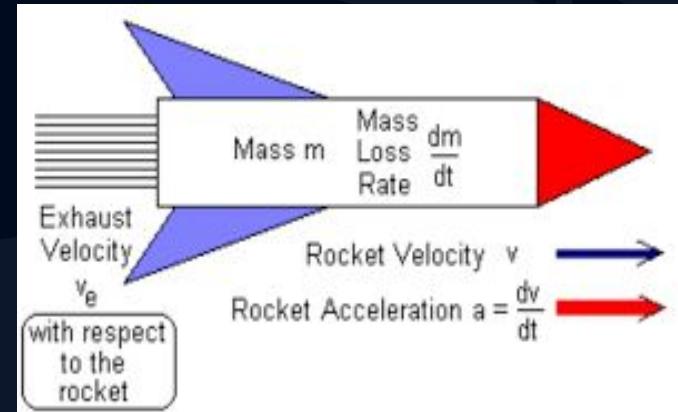
$$M \cdot dv = -dM \cdot v_{ex}$$

[Momentum conservation]

Solving the equation further, we have :

$$\Delta v = -v_{ex} \cdot \ln(M_0 / M_f)$$

[Ideal rocket equation]



- ★ **SPECIFIC IMPULSE ( $I_{sp}$ )** : A measure of the efficiency of a rocket.

$$I_{sp} = \lim (\Delta t \rightarrow 0) [(F_{thrust} \cdot \Delta t) / (m_p \cdot g_0)]$$

## ► For Non-Ideal scenarios:

### ◆ Effect of **gravity**

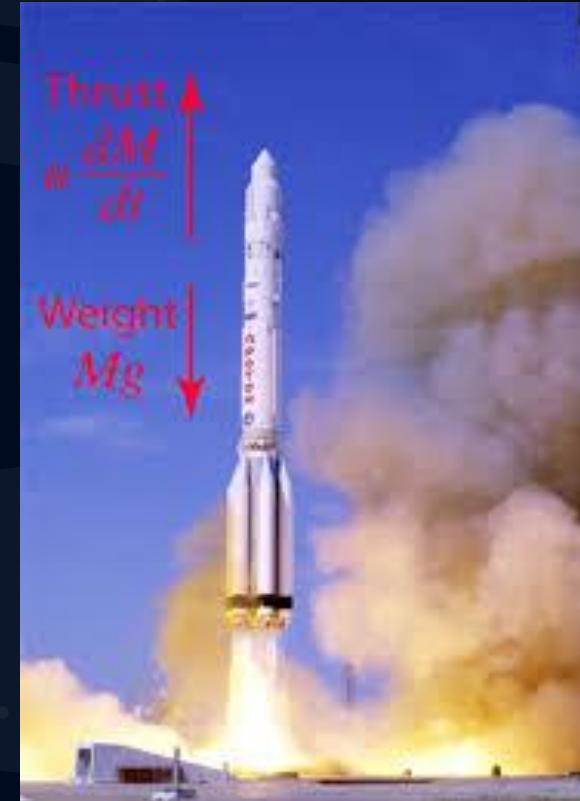
A **constant gravitational field** acting in the opposite direction to the velocity vector can be incorporated using Newton's laws:

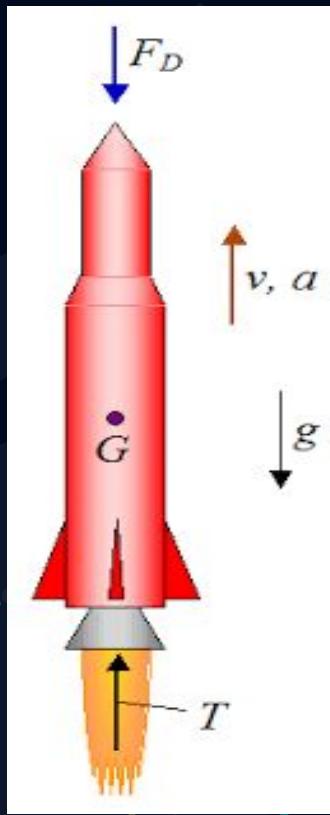
$$M \cdot (dv/dt) = -c(dM/dt) - Mg$$

Integrating and dividing by  $M_0$ ,

$$v = c \left( \ln(1/\mu) - (1-\mu)/n \right)$$

[Velocity of rocket as a function of mass fraction  $\mu$  ]





## ◆ Effect of **drag**

The effect of the drag force,  $D$ , is harder to quantify.

$$D = (\frac{1}{2})\rho v^2 A C$$

It turns out that for many important applications drag effects are very small.

For example:

Considering a rocket of 12,000 kg with a cross section of  $A = 1 \text{ m}^2$  and  $C = 0.2$ ,  $\rho \approx 0.25 \text{ kg/m}^3$ , we can see that the drag force is **only 2%** of the gravitational force.

# SSTO

- Single-stage-to-orbit
- Achieves orbital velocity using **ONLY** fuels and propellants without expending any fuel tanks, engines etc.
- Lower atmospheric pressure and weaker gravitational field favour SSTO launch (Moon, Mars)
- Notable example being Skylon, DC-X, etc.



# DSTO

- Double-stage-to-orbit
- Achieves orbital velocity in two stages with each consecutive propulsions and detachment of second stage with first at burnout
- First stage is reusable while second is expendable
- Notable example being Kosmos -3M, Falcon 9, etc.



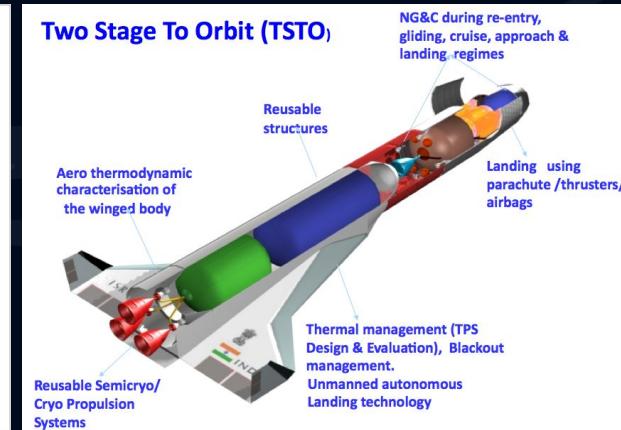
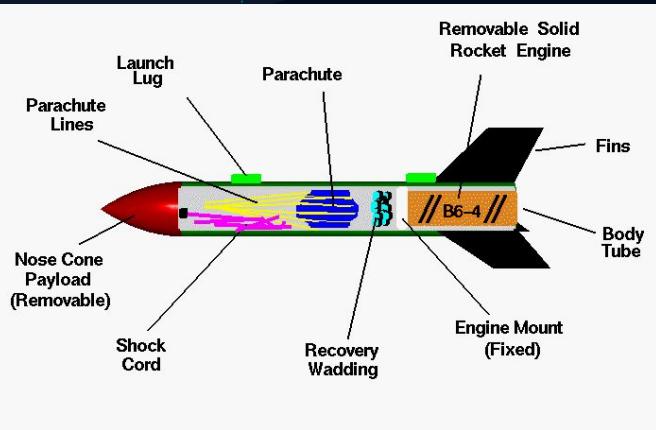
# SSTO

V/S

# DSTO

- Comparatively simple design
- Can be made fully reusable
- Low payload ratio
- Smaller structural coefficient

- Complex design
- First stage can be retrieved and reused
- High payload ratio
- Larger structural coefficient

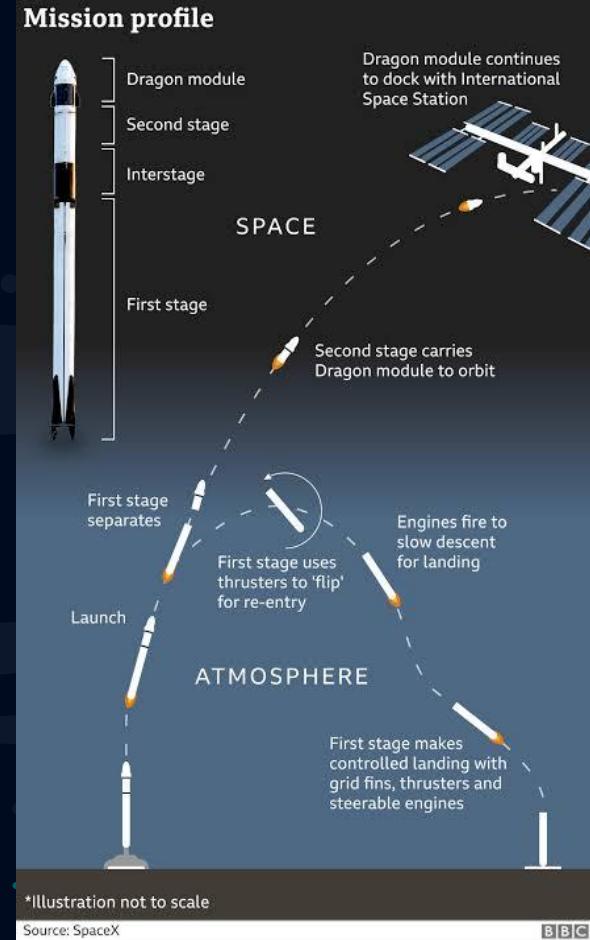


# Trajectory Optimization

It uses gravity as the driving force to steer the rocket into a particular trajectory.

Several phases of a two-stage liquid rocket during its ascent trajectory:

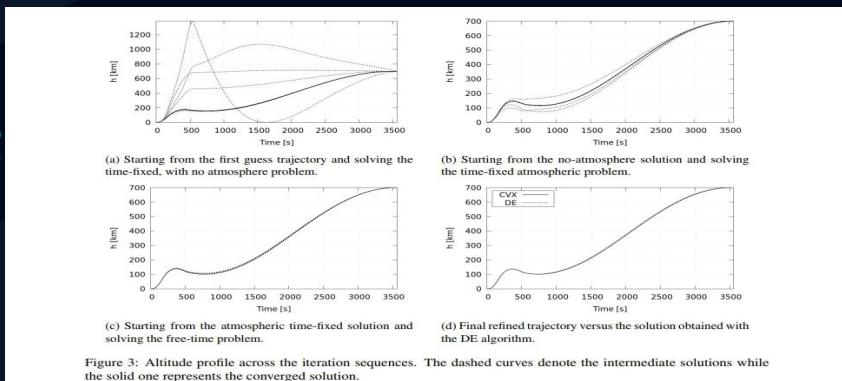
1. Vertical Ascent
2. Pitch-over
3. ZLGT (Zero Lift Gravity Turn)
4. Coasting
5. First Burn Stage
6. Coasting-2
7. Second Burn Stage



❖ Equation involving state vector(X):  
 $X = [ r \theta \text{ } v_r \text{ } v_t \text{ } m ]$

# Main Objectives, MOGA model and future logistics

- ❖ Maximize payload mass -(1)
- ❖ Minimize cost of rocket. -(2)
- ❖ The equation we obtain here is not solvable via integration BUT there exists an analytical solution which is given by MOGA(multi-objective genetic algorithm) which also emphasis on (1) and (2).



- ❖ Solution of derivative of equation(1.1) shown in the figure:

The resulting equations of motion  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}, t)$  are:

$$\dot{r} = v_r$$

$$\dot{\theta} = \frac{v_t}{r}$$

$$\dot{v}_r = \frac{v_t^2}{r} - \frac{\mu}{r^2} + \frac{T_a}{m} \hat{T}_r + \frac{T_b - D}{m} \frac{v_r}{v_{rel}}$$

$$\dot{v}_t = -\frac{v_r v_t}{r} + \frac{T_a}{m} \hat{T}_t + \frac{T_b - D}{m} \frac{v_t - \omega_{ER}}{v_{rel}}$$

$$\dot{m} = -\frac{T_{vac}}{c}$$

- ❖ We will learn more about MOGA model and future logistics in the coming week

# STRUCTURAL SYSTEM

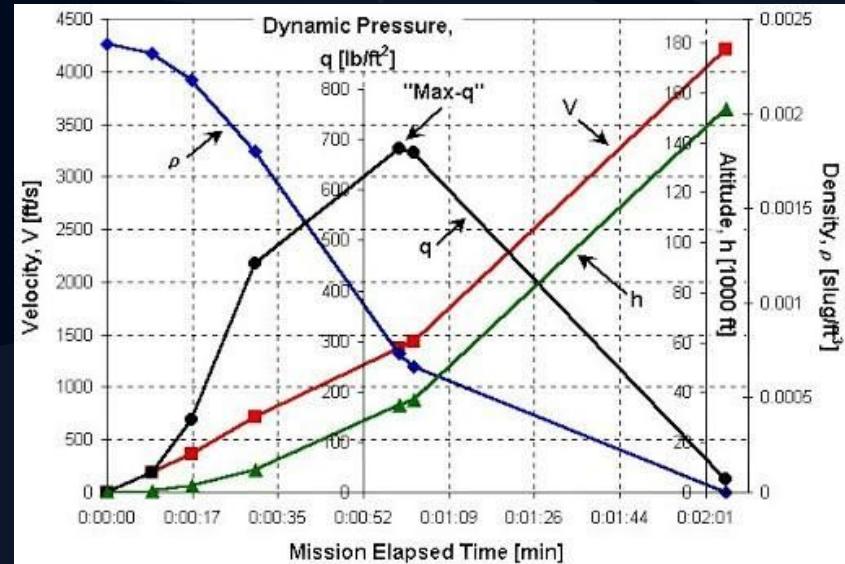
## DYNAMIC PRESSURE

AS THE ROCKET LAUNCHES, VELOCITY INCREASES , THUS THE DYNAMIC PRESSURE INCREASES TO A MAXIMUM POINT CALLED THE MAX. Q

$$q = \rho v^2 / 2$$

## BUCKLING

SUDDEN DEFORMATION IN STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS



MAX. Q

$\rho$

V

ALTITUDE

# MATERIALS USED

01

MAINFRAME

Aluminium and Titanium

02

ROCKET BOOSTER

High Density Materials

03

PROTECTION

Thermal Protection System  
Coating

## FUTURE ADVANCEMENTS

01

MAINFRAME

Beryllium and Composite  
Materials

02

REFRACTORY METAL

Molybdenum

03

OTHER MATERIALS

Ceramics such as Carbide



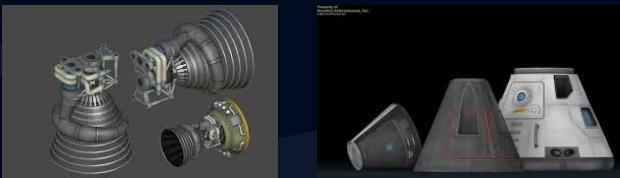
# Kerbal Space program



# Kerbal Space Program

1. What is it?
2. Why are we using it?
3. Limitations
4. Relevance with our project and learnings

*"For anyone who really wants to understand the fundamentals of spaceflight, Kerbal Space Program provides a surprisingly useful simulation that is extremely flexible, humorous and challenging."*



# MISSION DETAILS

Liftoff

SRB  
separation

Fairings  
removal

1st stage  
separation

2nd stage  
separation

Mun  
Landing

Returning  
home

The lift off went as expected and the rocket was carrying 3 crew members along with it

SRB separated brilliantly providing our rocket with the required velocity.

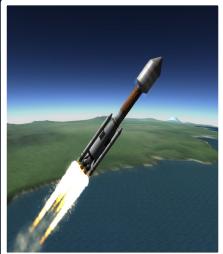
Fairings were removed as they were no longer needed and would act as dead weight if carried further

After the separation of the first stage rocket was in low Kerbin orbit and the 2nd stage ensured trans-mun injection

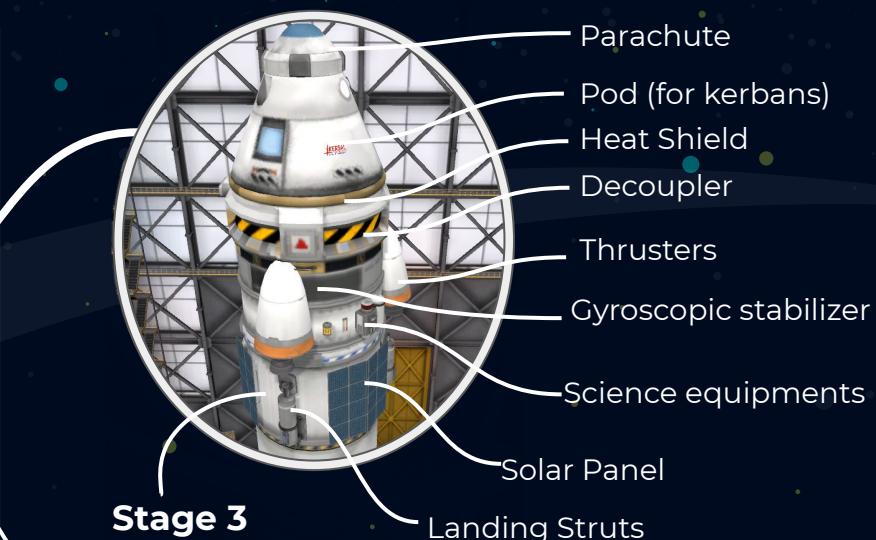
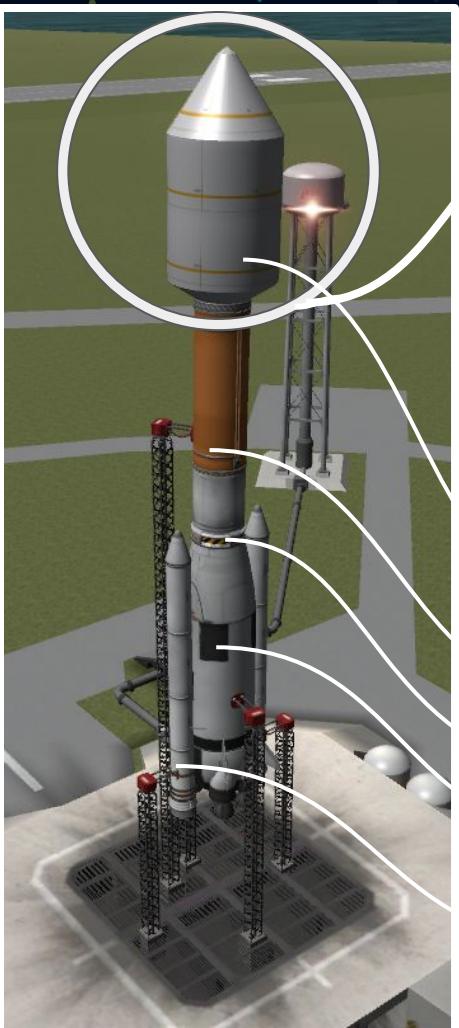
2nd stage was used for retro-grade motion to slow down around mun and establish a trajectory for landing

3rd stage was used for landing on moon and return leaving the landing struts and unnecessary components behind.

3rd stage was jettisoned and established a lunar orbit and further trans kerbel injection.



# Components of Rocket



**Stage 3**

Fairings

**Stage 2**

Decoupler

**Stage 1**

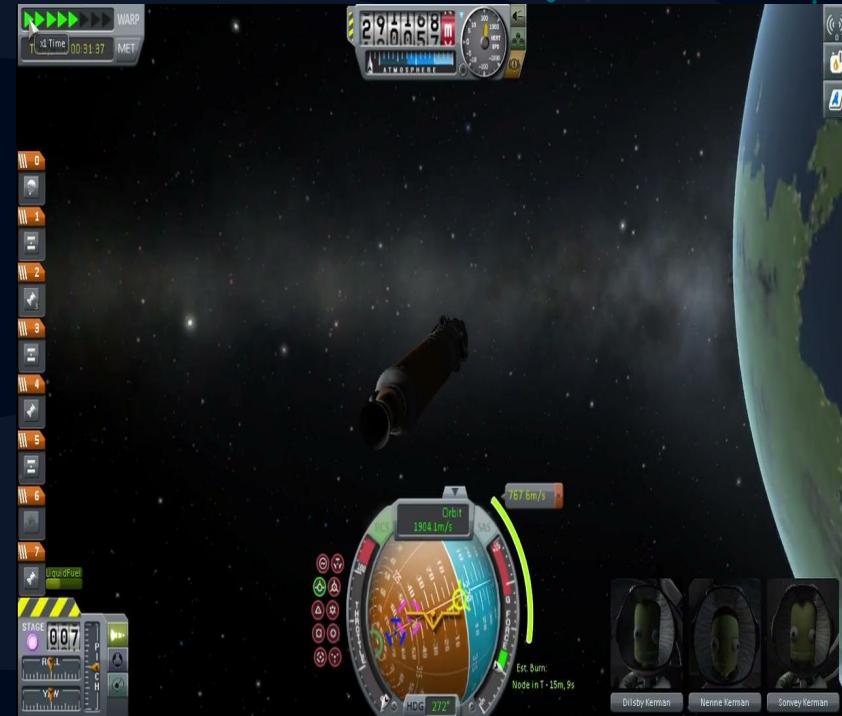
Solid Rocket  
Boosters  
(SRB)

## Causes of failure of return to Kerbel

1. Insufficient fuel in later stages of rocket possibly because of uneven distribution.
2. Un-efficient trajectory design which caused loss of more fuel than expected.
3. Minor errors in theoretical and actual burn-out times.

# Timeline of mission

- 00:00:00 - Liftoff
- 00:02:12 - Separation of SRB's
- 00:03:33 - Removal of fairing
- 00:04:39 - Prograde burn at Kerbal Apoapsis
- 00:04:58 - Separation of 1st stage
- 00:04:59 - Ignition of 2nd stage
- 00:05:41 - Kerbin orbit insertion
- 00:08:13 - Prograde burn for trans-mun injection
- 00:09:23 - Separation of 2nd stage
- 00:09:24 - Orbital navigation Started
- 00:12:03 - Retrograde burn at Mun periapsis
- 00:25:00 - Mun Landing
- 00:25:41 - EVA started
- 00:26:05 - First steps on Mun
- 00:29:22 - 3rd Stage jettisoned
- 00:29:27 - Mun liftoff ignition
- 00:31:23 - Mun orbit insertion cutoff
- 00:40:03 - Transkerbin insertion ignition
- 00:40:09 - Transkerbin ignition cutoff



# THANK YOU

AND ALWAYS REMEMBER:

“Cosmos  
is Within Us!”