

CSC 436, Fall 2017

# Software Engineering

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## In addition to Computer Science

- Aerospace
- Anthropology
- Business Administration
- Chinese Studies
- Communication
- Creative Writing
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Film and Television
- Information Science Technology & Arts
- Mathematics
- Molecular & Cellular Biology
- Music
- Physics
- Studio Art

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- What would you like to get from this course
- This can be anonymous – you need not identify yourself

# About CSC 436: Software Engineering

**Welcome!**

- **Emphasis: principles and practices**
  - With real-world examples of what's worked
- **Team projects are central to the experience**
  - Form your own teams of 4 for the semester
  - Interim reports and reviews will help you stay on track

# What do Software Engineers do?

**The New York Times** | <https://nyti.ms/2uPftGH>

**The Upshot**  
EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE

## Tech's Damaging Myth of the Loner Genius Nerd

Claire Cain Miller @clairecm AUG. 12, 2017

# Software Engineers/Developers: Duties

## What do Software Engineers do? A view ...

- **Qualities and Skills**

- Analytical, Creativity, Problem Solving
- Communication, Customer-Service, Inter-Personal
- Big Picture, Attention to Detail



- **Software developer jobs, 2014: 1,114,000**

- Applications developers 64%, systems developers 36%
- Employment projected to grow 17% (2014-2024), much faster than the 7% average for all occupations
- Median annual pay, 2016: \$102,280

Please enroll, if you haven't already

- **Course Materials**

- Announcements
- Project Information
- Lecture Slides
- Homework

- **Draft Textbook**

- Posted: Chapters 1-7, 9-11
- The draft will be revised during the course
- I'd appreciate comments and corrections

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# What is Software Engineering?

*“a concise and complete definition of software engineering is difficult to formulate”*

**Source: IEEE and ACM “Software Engineering 2014”  
Curriculum Guidelines**

# State of the Art in 1968

## From the NATO Conference

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In 1968, “the phrase ‘software engineering’ was deliberately chosen as being provocative, in implying the need for ... the types of theoretical foundations and practical disciplines that are traditional in established branches of engineering”

## Distinction between Process and Product

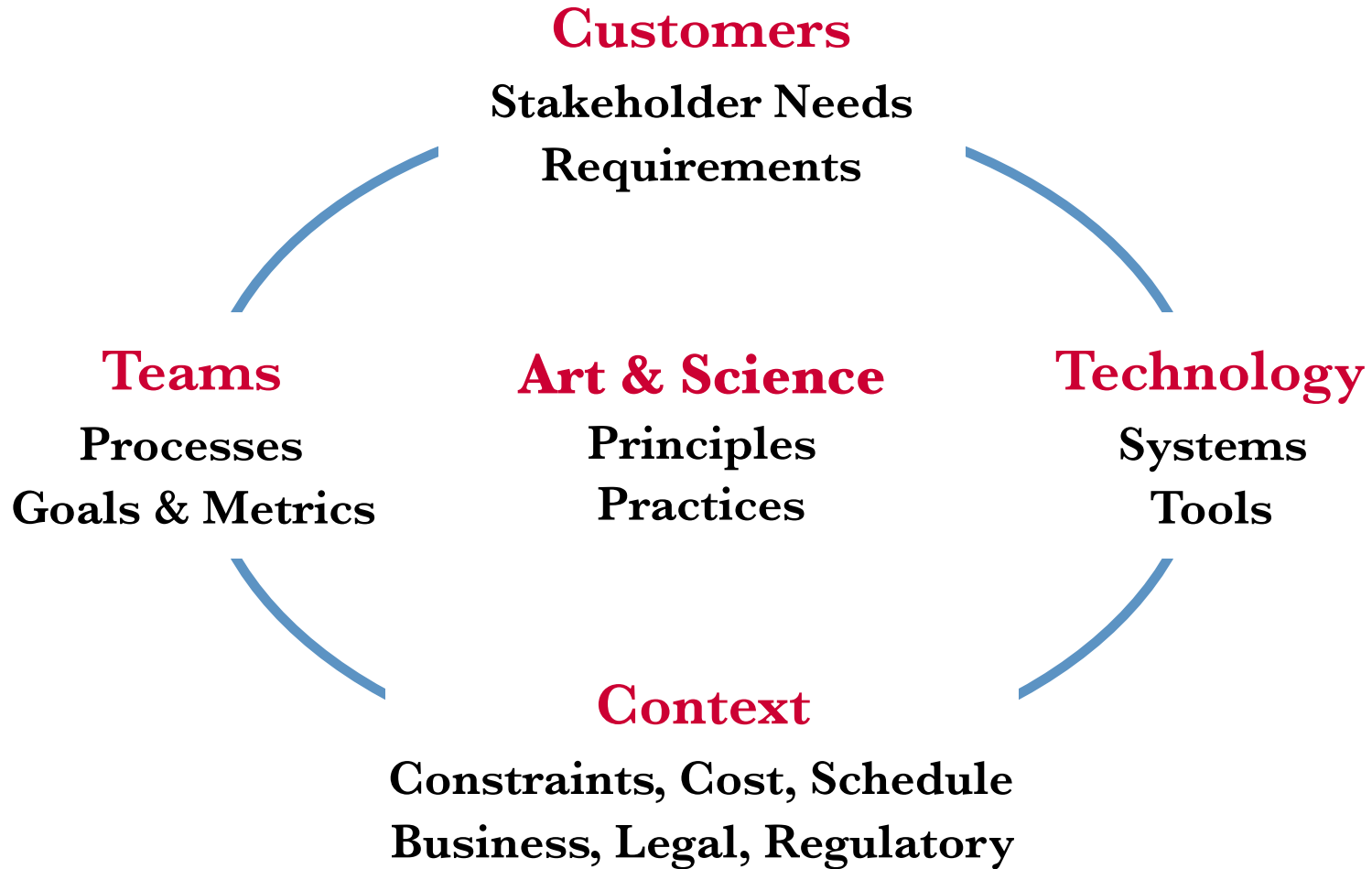
### Process

who does what by when  
teams and organization

### Product

what gets developed  
systems and artifacts

## Dimensions



# Software Engineering

## Working definition, for this course

- **Software engineering is**
  - the art and science of
  - developing reliable software systems that
  - address customer needs,
  - subject to resource, business, and societal constraints.

**“multi-person development of multi-version programs”**

<b>Multi Person</b>  Coordinate Teams Design for Modularity	<b>Multi Person</b>  <b>Multi Version</b>
<b>Single Person</b>	<b>Multi Version</b>  Develop Program Families Evolve & Maintain Releases

# Team Project



# CSC 436: Rough Timeline

## Project

**Form  
Teams**

**Project  
Proposal**

**Viable  
System**

**Feature  
Release**

**Beta  
Release**

**Final  
Release**

**Week**

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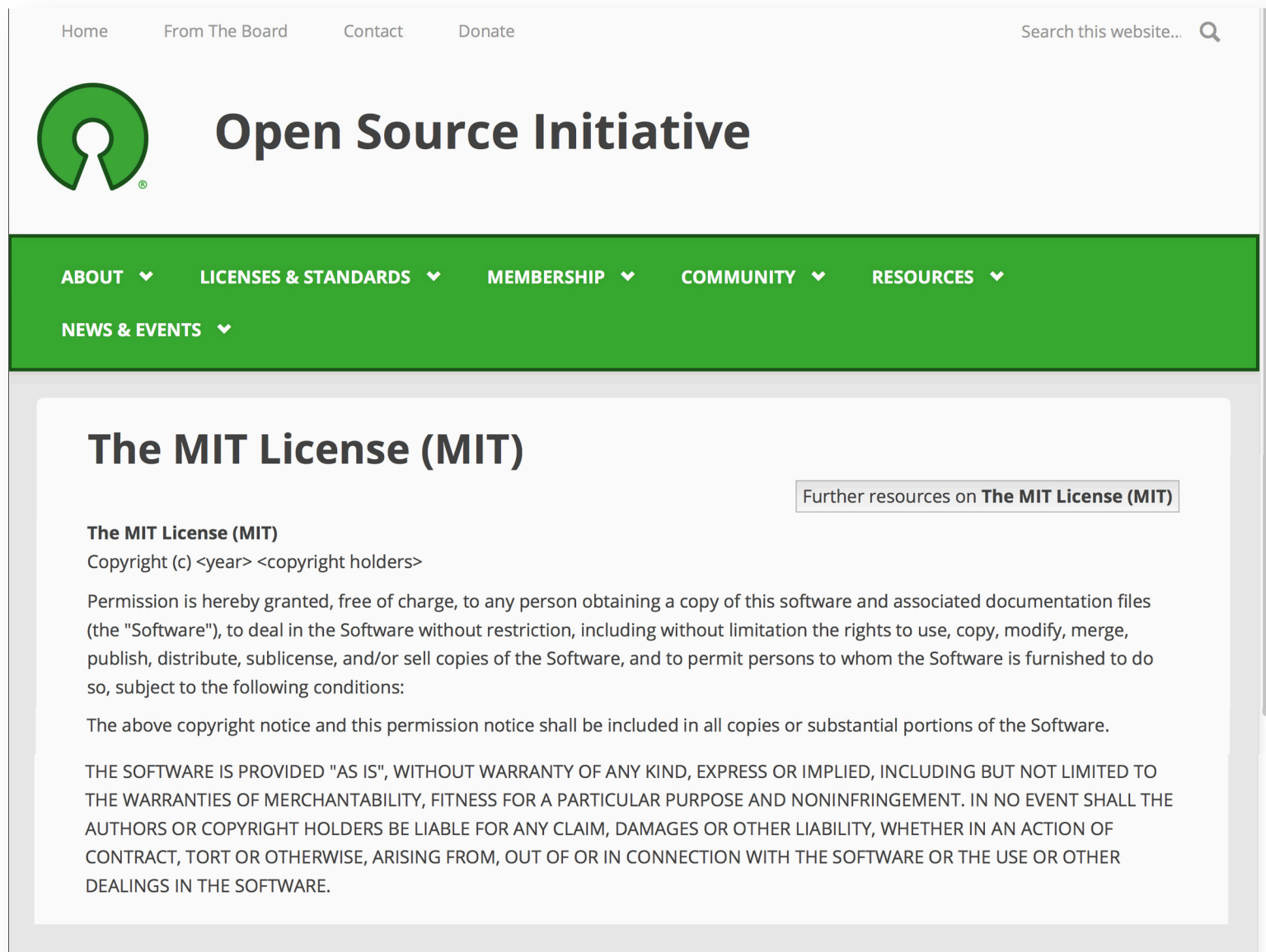
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**Midterm  
Oct 12**

**Thanksgiving  
Nov 23**



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# CSC 436, Fall 2017: Policies

*See the Syllabus*

**UA Grading Policy: <http://registrar.arizona.edu/grade policy>**

- **Homework** **20%**
  - Homework submissions are individual
- **Team Project and Reports** **40%**
  - 5% of the 40% is individual; 35% same for all team members
- **Exams** **40%**
  - Equal weight for Mid-Term and Final
- **Instructor Discretion (bonus points)** **up to 5%**
  - Closer to 0% than 5%

# CSC 436: Grading Distributions

**Any revisions to these buckets will be on the generous side**

- **A     90+%**
- **B     80 - 89%**
- **C     70 - 79%**
- **D     60 - 69%**
- **E     0 - 59%**

Full policy at <http://catalog.arizona.edu/2015-16/policies/classatten.htm>

- **Excerpts from the University Attendance Policy**

- “Students are expected to be regular and punctual in class attendance and to fully participate in the course.”
- “Excessive or extended absence from class is sufficient reason for the instructor to administratively drop the student from the course.”

- **Policy for Religious Holidays**

- <http://deanofstudents.arizona.edu/policies-and-codes/accommodation-religious-observance-and-practice>

# UA Computer Science Code of Conduct

**Full policy at <http://www.cs.arizona.edu/codeofconduct.pdf>**

**We, the students and professionals of the UA Department of Computer Science, are committed to providing and maintaining a supportive community and a thriving educational environment.**

**We strive to:**

- Be Welcoming and Inclusive**
- Honor Privacy and Confidentiality**
- Continue to Improve Our Learning Environments**
- Behave Respectfully and Courteously**
- Demonstrate Intellectual Honesty**

**Thank you for your contributions in support of these goals. Disruptive behaviors such as physical or emotional harassment, dismissive attitudes, and misuse of department resources are contrary to this code. If you have questions, want to make us aware of a problem, or wish to see someone recognized for their positive actions, please email: [depthead@cs.arizona.edu](mailto:depthead@cs.arizona.edu)**

# Ethics

*“Because of their role in developing software systems, software engineers have significant opportunities to do good or cause harm.”*

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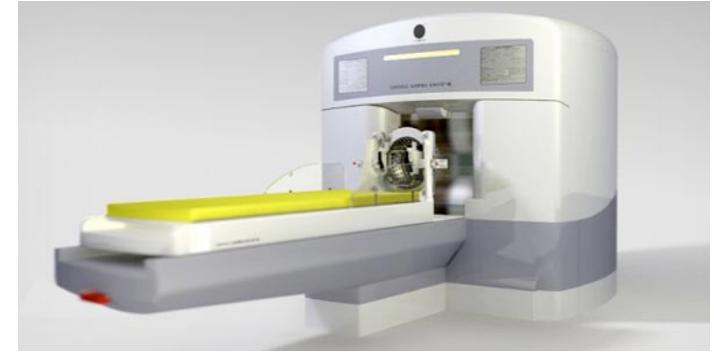


# Therac-25: Fatal Radiation Overdose

**A patient died**

- **6 known accidents 1985-1987**

- Series of “fixes”
- “Inadequate software engineering practices”



- **E. Texas Cancer Center, March 21, 1986**

- Therac-25 had been in use for 2 years; over 500 patients treated.
- Male patient, in for his ninth treatment
- Planned dose: 180 rads
- Possible dose: 16,500-25,000 rads in less than 1 sec.
- 5 months later, the patient died from complications of the overdose

## From the ACM Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct

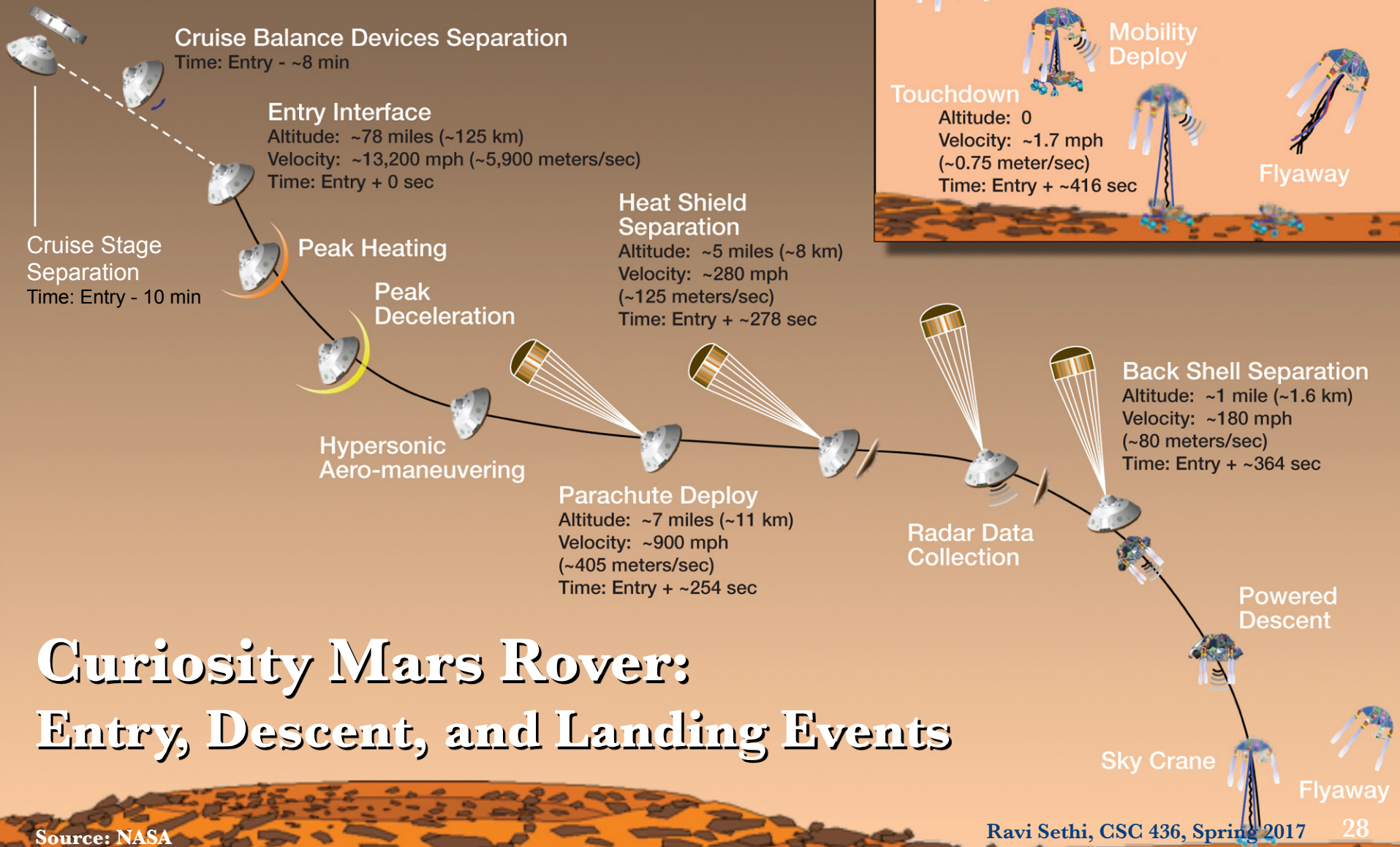
- **Contribute to society and human well-being**
- **Avoid harm to others**
- **Be honest and trustworthy**
- **Be fair and take action not to discriminate**
- **Honor property rights including copyrights and patent**
- **Give proper credit for intellectual property**
- **Respect the privacy of others**
- **Honor confidentiality**

# Software Engineering Success Story

*Landing the Rover, Curiosity, on Mars*

# Touchdown in 350 Million Miles

Soft Landing, Aug 5, 2012, 22:18 PST

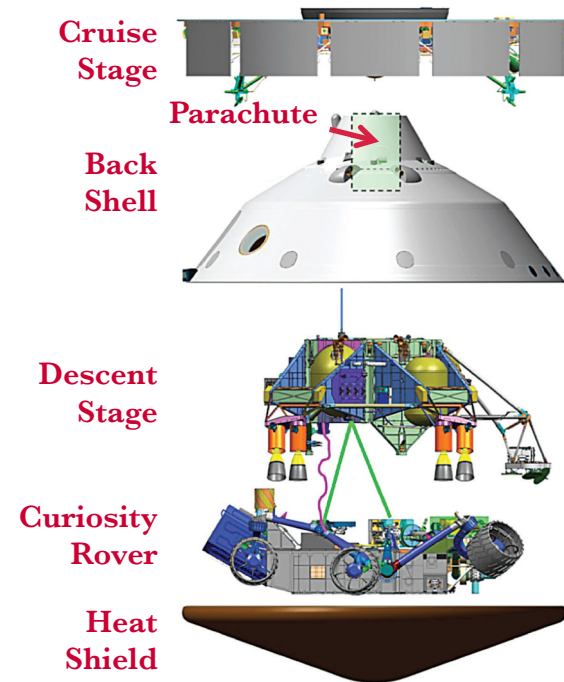


## Curiosity Mars Rover: Entry, Descent, and Landing Events

# Landing the Curiosity Rover on Mars

## All functions on rover & spacecraft controlled by software

- Curiosity (900 kg) was lifted by an Atlas V 541 rocket (531,000 kg)
- Within two hours of launch all that remained were the systems on the right
- The solar panels on the Cruise Stage powered the craft on the 9-month journey to Mars
- 10 min. to landing: cast off Cruise Stage
- 3 min. to landing: deploy Parachute to slow from 1,500 km/hour to 300 km/hour
- <1 min. to landing: Descent Stage separates, along with the Rover
- The Descent Stage must now guide the Rover, disconnect, and fly away a safe distance to crash



# Backup

# Student Comments from Past Projects

## From the Reflection section of a Team's Final Report

*“We all understood that a successful project could really help in the impending hiring process so we really wanted to make something we felt proud of and confident in presenting to prospective employers.”*

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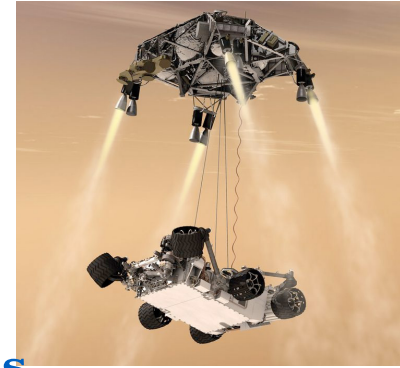
*“Make sure you have a thorough understanding of the requirements your customer has before you begin, otherwise you may end up doing two or three times the necessary work due to changing requirements.”*



# Software for the Flawless Mars Landing

## Good tools, workmanship, careful process

- **Flight-control software on the spacecraft**
  - 35 developers; 3M lines of C, some C++; 75% generated
- **Prevention, learning from problems on previous missions**
  - Coding rules, with mechanical compliance checks; e.g., static analysis
  - Developer certification, emphasizing software risk & defensive coding
- **Detection: nightly builds, with checkers running in parallel**
  - Peer reviews excel at finding design flaws, not at compliance checks
  - Verification (model checking) for possible race conditions or deadlocks; in one case, findings led to the complete redesign of a subsystem
  - Rigorous unit and system testing; full code coverage (extreme requirement)
- **Containment of residual defects within a module**
  - For the critical landing sequence, the backup CPU ran a stripped-down version



# Landing the Curiosity Rover on Mars

## Overall a successful mission, but over budget and late

- First call for scientific instruments 4/04
- Instruments approved, design of mono propellant engine begins 12/04
- “Confirmation Review” ... ”cutting hardware” begins 8/06
- “Critical Design Review” (CDR) signaled problems 6/07  
Removed grinder, zoom lens, asked for \$75M additional
- Major review by JPL and independent technical review team 10/08  
Decided doable by 2009 with launch 3 weeks later and \$200M to speed testing  
Set weekly milestones for Nov-Dec; review in Jan whether to spend the \$200M
- Delay Decision: Missing milestones 12/08  
Decision to delay launch until 8/11
- Flawless landing on Mars on August 6, 2012, but  
\$900M over budget and 24 Months late