

Virtual SPICE Training Class

BepiColombo

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21st July 2020, Webex

Agenda

Tuesday (21st July)

- 09:30 – 10:00 Introduction to SPICE (00)
- 10:00 – 11:00 SPICE fundamentals (01-02)
- 11:15 – 13:00 SPICE fundamentals (03-08)
- 13:00 - 14:00 Lunch Break
- 14:00 - 16:15 SPICE fundamentals (09-12)
- 16:30 – 17:00 Setting up SPICE
- 17:00 - 17:30 Hands-on SPICE (I): Remote Sensing Observation Tutorial

Wednesday (22nd July)

- 09:00 - 10:30 SPICE fundamentals (12-17)
- 10:30 - 11:00 Hands-on SPICE (II): Remote Sensing Observation Tutorial
- 11:15 - 12:00 WebGeocalc and SPICE-enhanced Cosmographia
- 12:00 - 13:00 SPICE for BepiColombo
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- 13:00 - 14:00 Lunch Break
- 14:00 – 16:15 Hands-on SPICE (II): Venus first swingby
- 16:30 – 17:30 Wrap-up: Open Discussion, Q/A, AOBs

Welcome & Logistics



- **WebEx sessions** for the training:
 - **Tuesday 21st:** <https://esait.webex.com/esait/j.php?MTID=m405a5988f63451aadfef5dd860a12fe3>
 - **Wednesday 22nd:** <https://esait.webex.com/esait/j.php?MTID=m849920b7f6d75a90780a319cb05b5659>
- **MATERIAL:** All the required information can be obtained from the dedicated GitHub Repository:
https://github.com/esaSPICEservice/ess_workshop_4pdw
- **SET UP SPICE:** It is recommended to install the SPICE Toolkit in advance (we recommend you to use some time during the lunch break if you have not done so yet). 30 minutes will be dedicated to set up SPICE but it would be better to use that slot to answer questions. We also recommend to download the BepiColombo SPICE Kernel dataset and to install SPICE-enhanced Cosmographia.
- **LANGUAGES:** The hands-on lessons will be provided in Python using SpiceyPy. Users of other programming languages are supposed to have enough knowledge of the language such that she or he can conduct the hands-on lessons.
- The hands-on lessons will be done synchronously; we will give you some time to answer each of the sections of the hands on lessons and then the solution of that section will be provided.
- Feel free to interrupt me anytime during the lessons and to ask questions during the hands-on lessons.
- This training will be recorded and distributed to the BepiColombo community (if everyone agrees).

An Introduction to SPICE & the ESA SPICE Service

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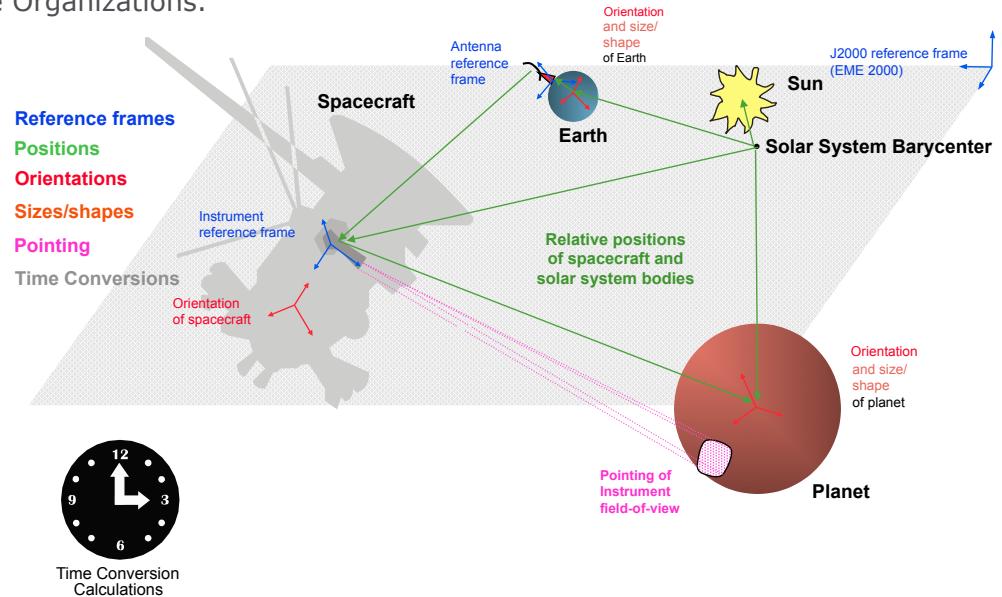
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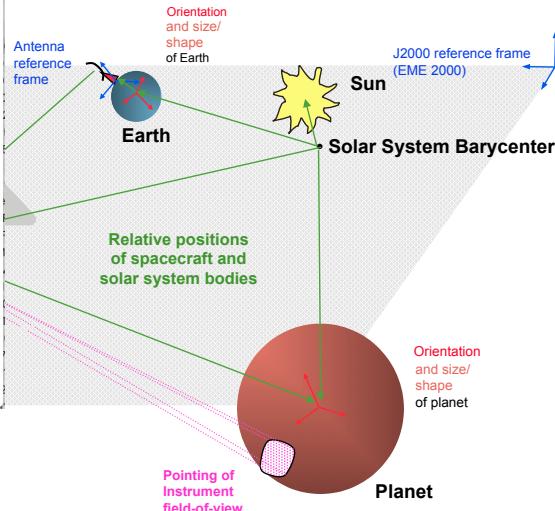
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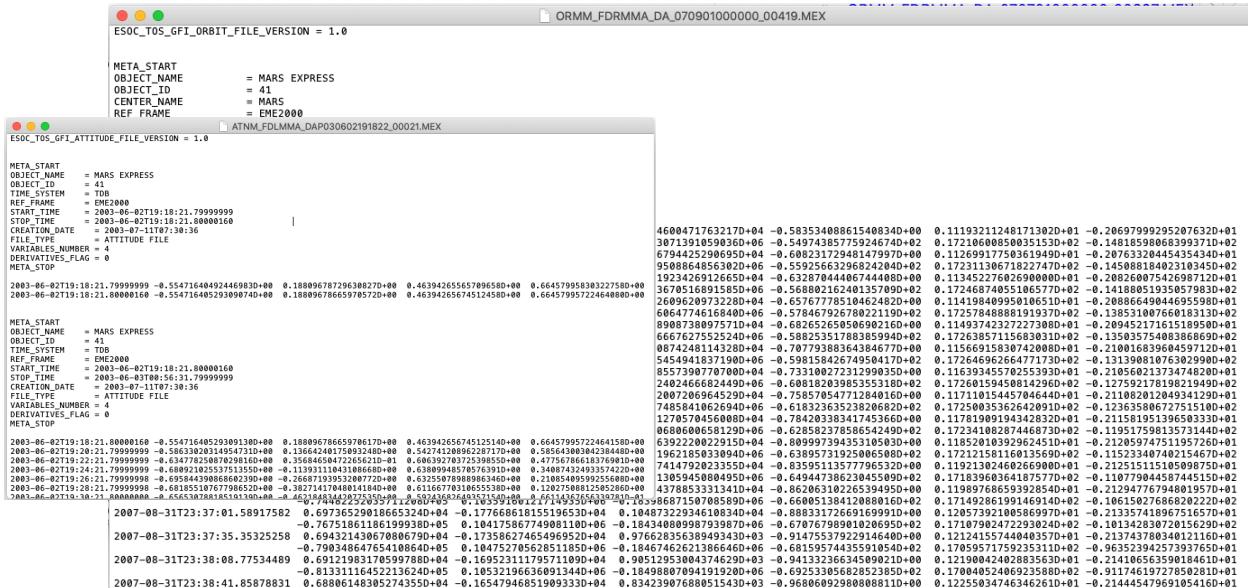
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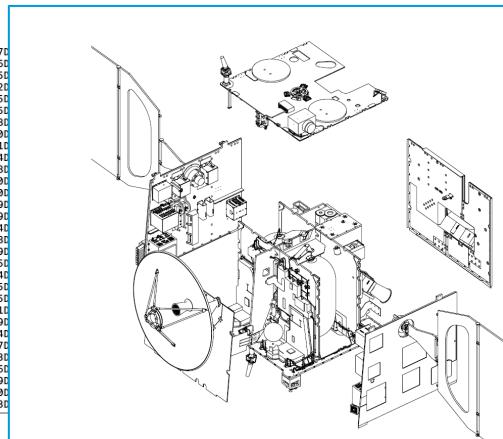
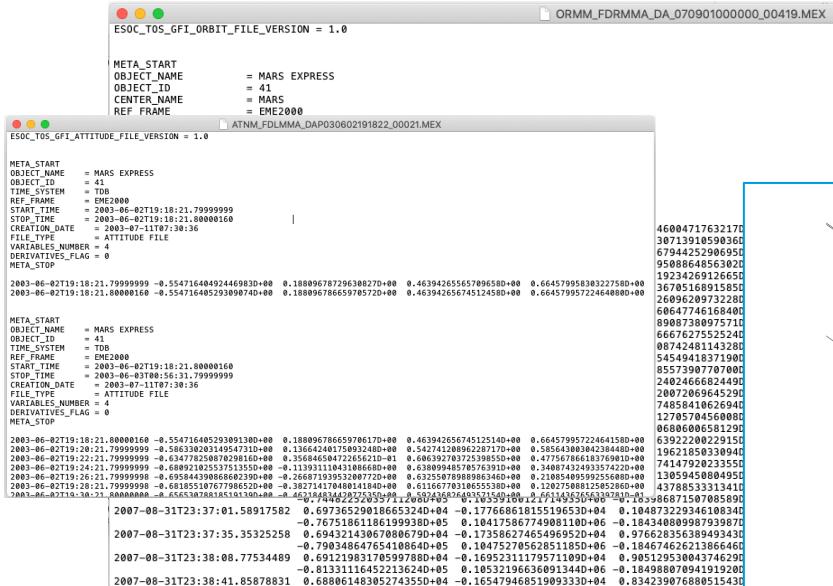
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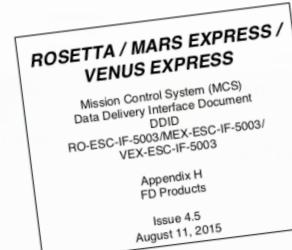
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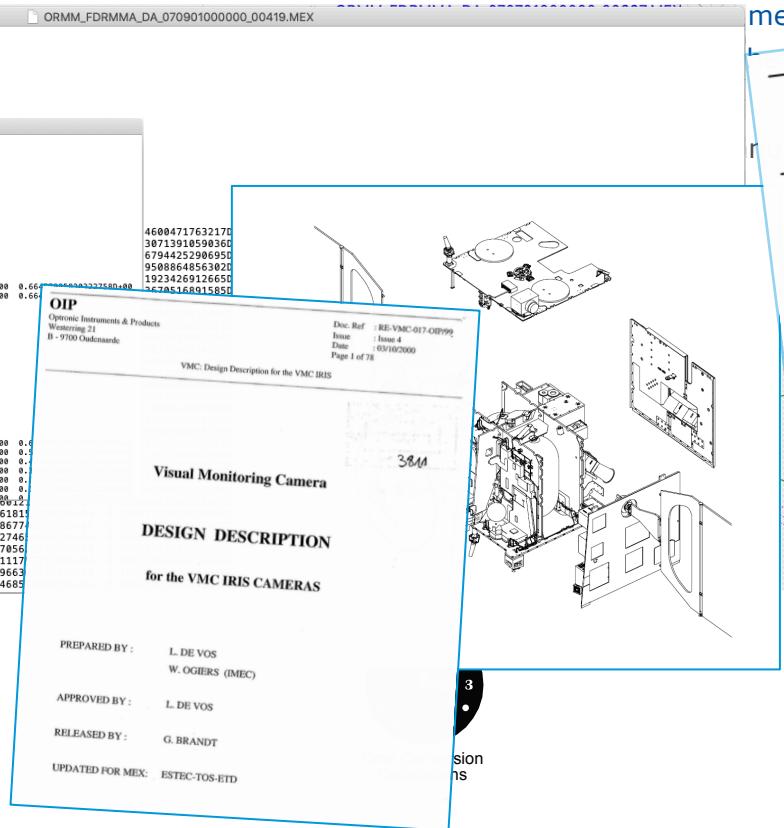
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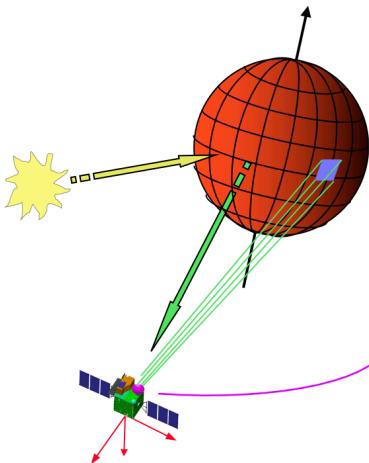
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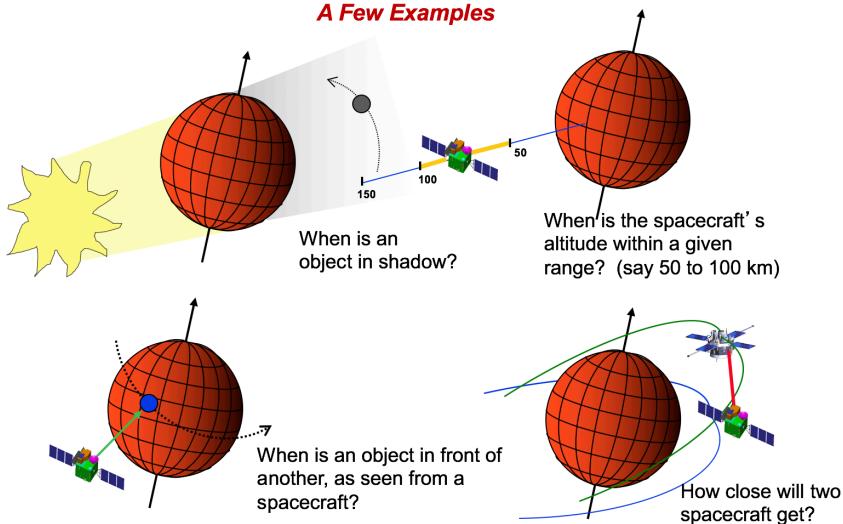


A Few Examples

- Positions and velocities of planets, satellites, comets, asteroids and spacecraft
- Size, shape and orientation of planets, satellites, comets and asteroids
- Orientation of a spacecraft and its various moving structures
- Instrument field-of-view location on a planet's surface or atmosphere

Find times when a specified “geometric event” occurs, or when a specified “geometric condition” exists

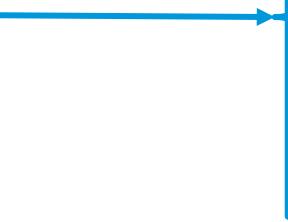
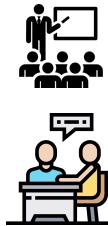
A Few Examples



SPICE components



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- Software Library (SPICE Toolkit)
- Documentation
- Tutorials
- Programming lessons
- Training Classes
- User Consultation



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SPICE data production

SPICE data management

Documentation

Highly annotated source code

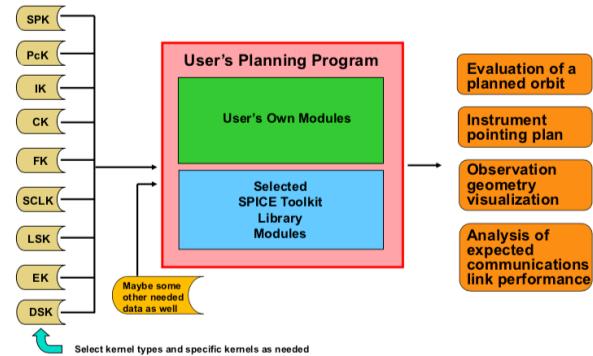
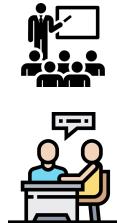
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Using the SPICE Library (C++ Fortran



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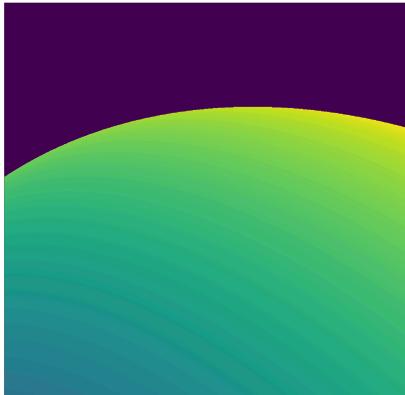
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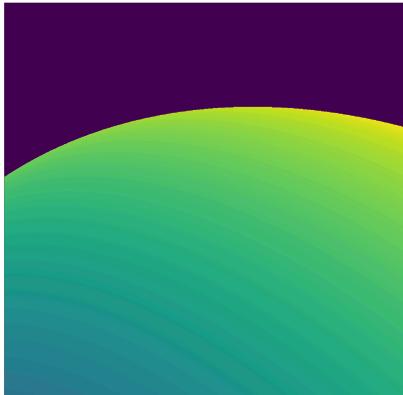
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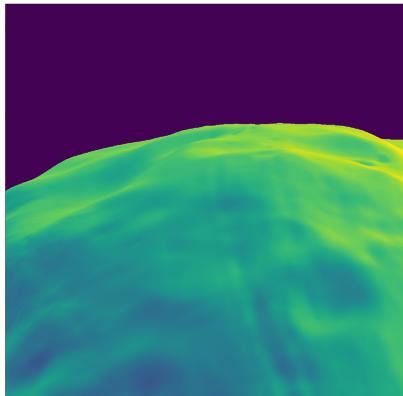
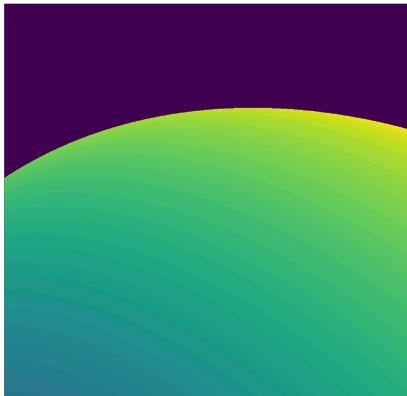
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spice.funrsh(meta-kernel)

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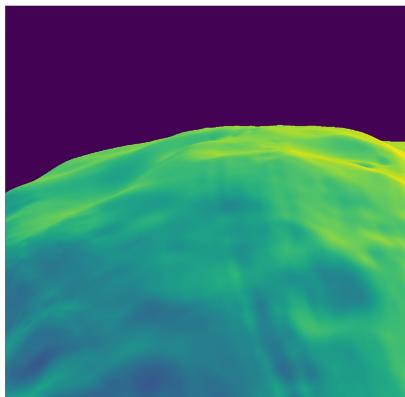
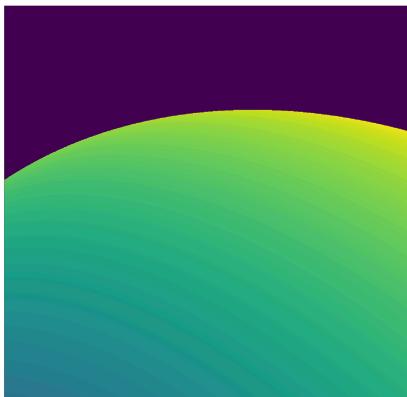
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adjust matrix



Using the SPICE Library (C++ Fortran



esa

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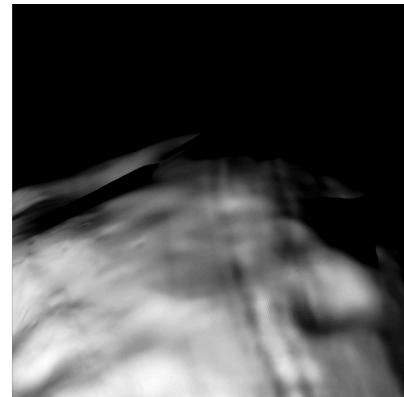
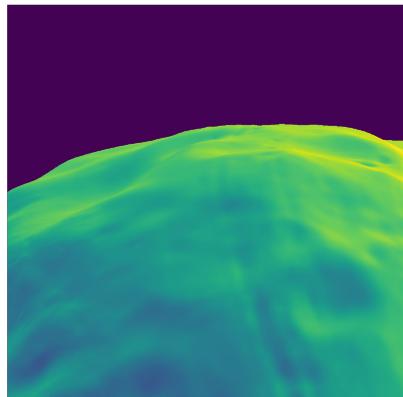
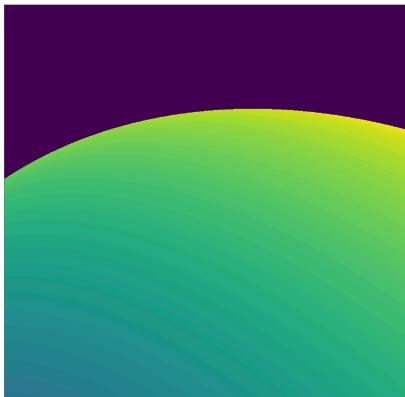
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adjust matrix



Using the SPICE Library (C Fortran MATLAB Python R Julia) esa

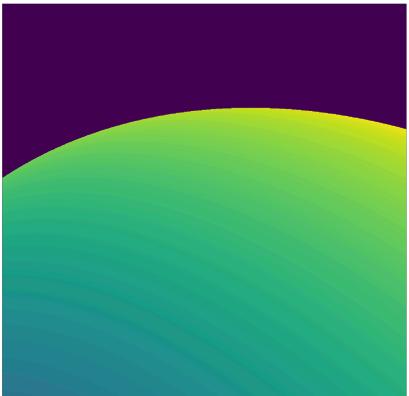
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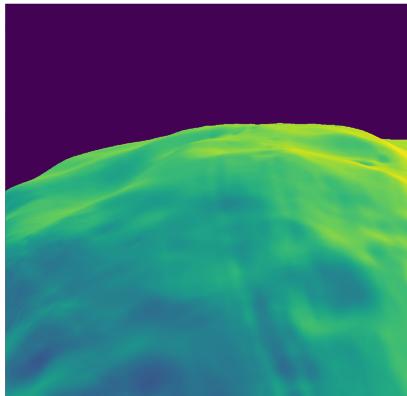
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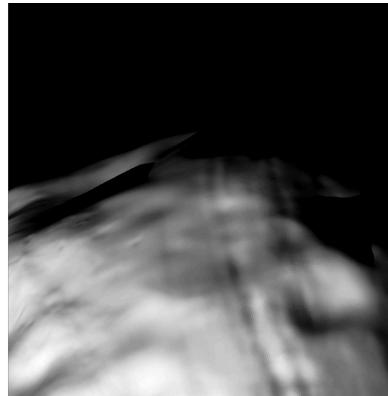
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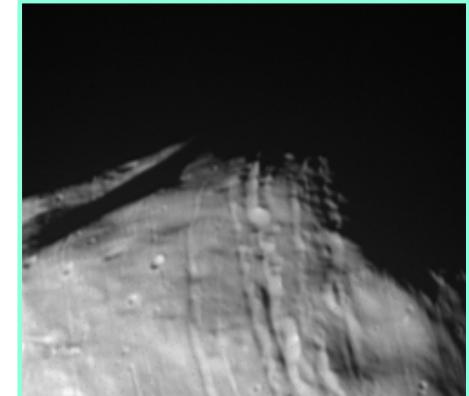
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Current Data



Using the SPICE Library



Fortran



julia



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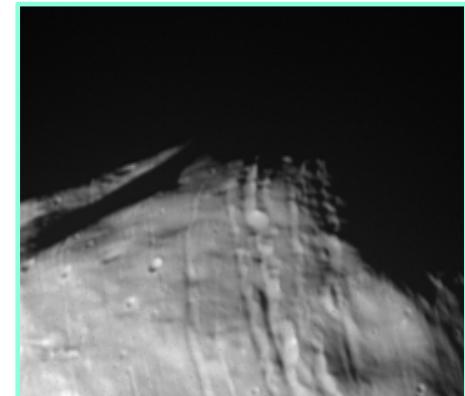
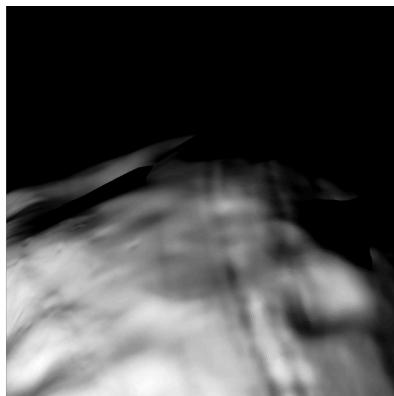
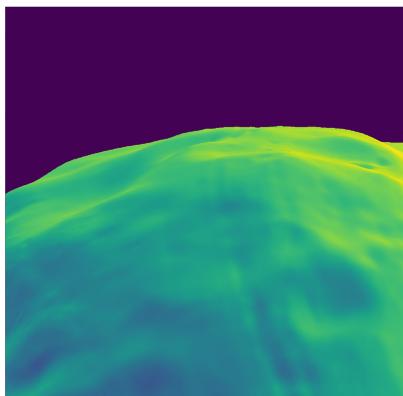
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Current Data



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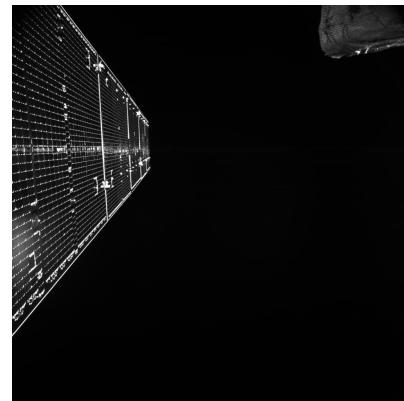
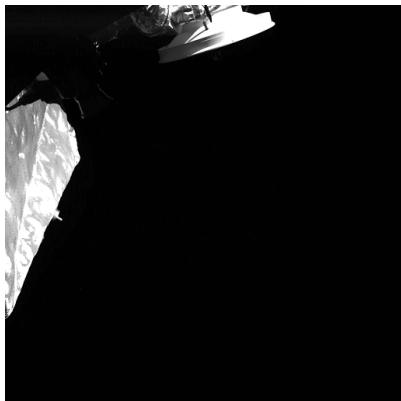
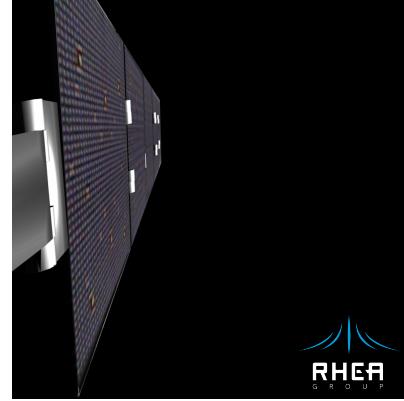
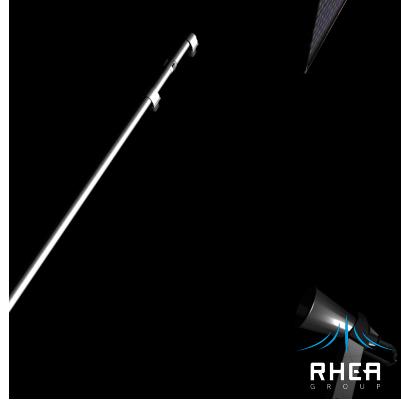
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The **ESA SPICE Service (ESS)** based at ESAC leads the SPICE operations for ESA's planetary missions. Its main activities are:

- Generate, develop, maintain and archive the SPICE Kernel Datasets (SKD) for the ESA Solar System Explorers
- Develop and operates software to convert orbit, attitude, telemetry and spacecraft clock correlation data into the corresponding SPICE formats;
- Provide consultancy and support to the Science Ground Segments and the Science Community of the planetary missions for SPICE and ancillary data management.

ESA SPICE Service is provided by Rhea System for ESA:

- Marc Costa Sitja
- Alfredo Escalante Lopez
- and a Trainee (Marina de Brito)

ESS also provides an instance of **WebGeocalc** and the **Cosmographia** configuration for ESA missions:

- **WebGeocalc** is a web-based interface to some SPICE Functions, extremely powerful for quick-look data analysis
- **Cosmographia** is a 3D-Visualization Tool for a full SPICE Scenario.

We provide **SPICE Training Classes** in Europe in a biannual basis.

Small Workshops on SPICE held regularly in conferences or for instrument teams

SPICE Kernel Dataset



- A SKD consists on a complete set of SPICE Kernels that cover the whole mission lifespan including long term predicted trajectory and orientation. Kernels in a SKD can be classified in two main types:
 - **Setup kernels (STK)** [FK, IK, PCK, LSK] are developed by the ESA SPICE Service (ESS) and are reviewed and iterated with the SGS and with the Instrument Teams when need be during the whole duration of the mission.
 - **Time-varying kernels (TVK)** [SPK, CK, SCLK, MK] are generated by ESS with an operational pipeline and the source data is provided by the Flight Dynamics or the given SGS Downlink group in terms of OEMs, AEMs and Housekeeping TM data.
- The distribution of the SKDs is done via:



An operational FTP with all the kernels that were ever produced:
<ftp://spiftp.esac.esa.int/data/SPICE>

Peer-reviewed kernels are published as
PDS3/4 Bundles in the PSA FTP



A permanent link to a ZIP file that contains the the latest
operational subset of the SPICE Kernels



A BitBucket Git repository with a given subset of the SPICE Kernels (operational, planning,
archived etc.). [Https://repos.cosmos.esa.int/socci/projects/SPICE_KERNELS](https://repos.cosmos.esa.int/socci/projects/SPICE_KERNELS)

ESA SKD Status



Mission	Status	BitBucket	Archive	WGC	Cosmo	Frames and sensors	Predicted Orbit & Attitude	Reconstructed Orbit & Attitude	OBT conversion	S/C Element and Payload Orientation
ExoMars2016	OPERATIONAL		PDS4							
Mars Express	OPERATIONAL		PDS3							
BepiColombo	OPERATIONAL		PDS4							
Solar Orbiter	OPERATIONAL									RED
JUICE	STUDIES		PDS4							
ExoMarsRSP	STUDIES		PDS4							
Hera	STUDIES		PDS4							
EnVision	STUDIES		PDS4							
Rosetta	LEGACY		PDS3							
Venus Express	LEGACY		PDS3							
SMART-1	LEGACY		PDS3							
Chandrayaan-1	LEGACY		PDS3							
(Cassini-) Huygens	LEGACY		PDS3							
Giotto	LEGACY		PDS3							

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Example of SPICE Users



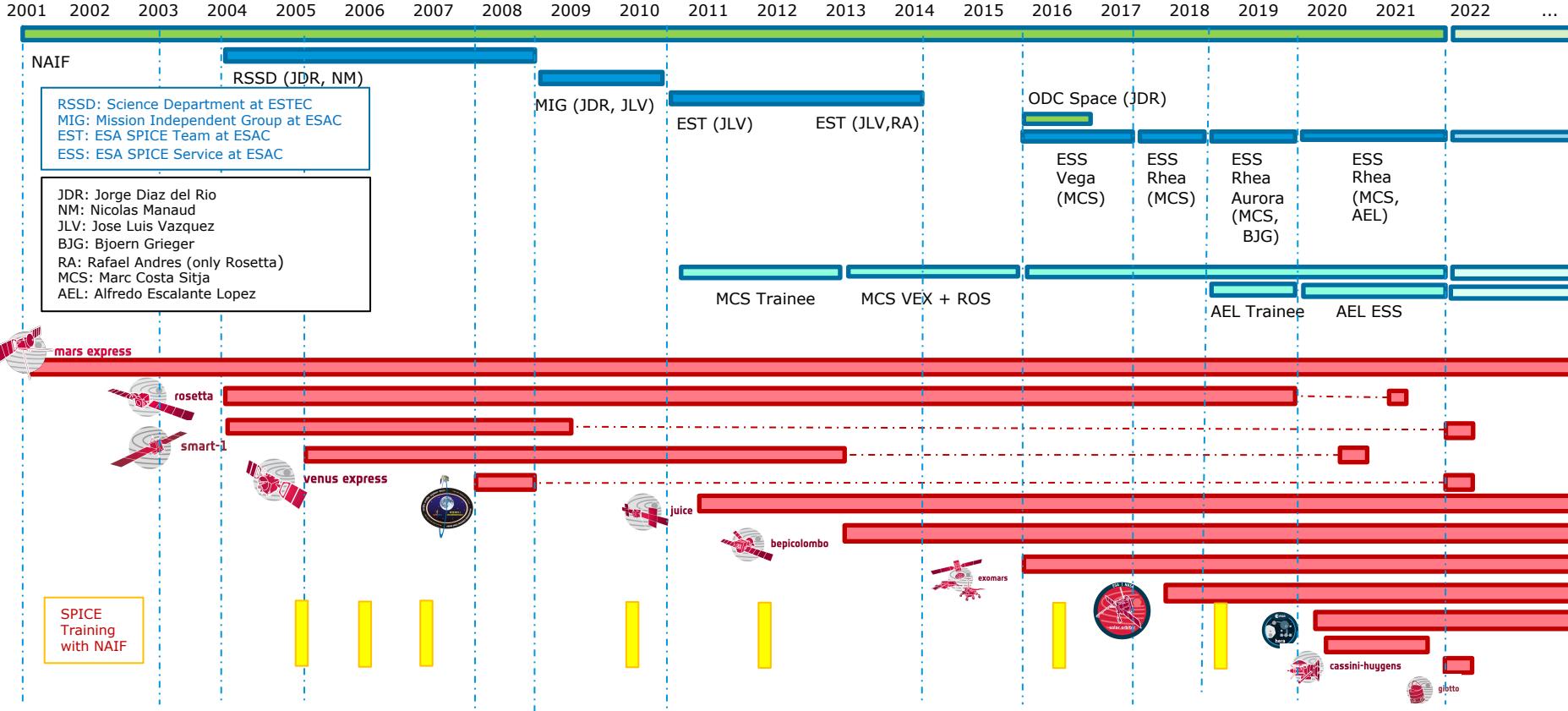
Data Restorations	Selected Past Users	Current/Pending Users	Examples of Possible Future Users	
Apollo 15, 16 [L]	Magellan [L]	Cassini Orbiter	NASA Discovery Program	
Mariner 2 [L]	Clementine (NRL)	Mars Odyssey	NASA New Frontiers Program	
Mariner 9 [L]	Mars 96 (RSA)	Mars Exploration Rover	Lunar IceCube (Moorehead State)	
Mariner 10 [L]	Mars Pathfinder	Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter	LunaH-Map (Arizona State)	
Viking Orbiters [L]	NEAR	Mars Science Laboratory	Luna-Glob (RSA)	
Viking Landers [L]	Deep Space 1	Juno	Aditya-L1 (ISRO)	
Pioneer 10/11/12 [L]	Galileo	MAVEN	Examples of Users not Requesting NAIF Help	
Haley armada [L]	Genesis	SMAP (Earth Science)	GOLD (LASP, UCF) (Earth Science) [L]	
Phobos 2 [L] (RSA)	Deep Impact	OSIRIS REx	Hera (ESA)	
Ulysses [L]	Huygens Probe (ESA)	InSight	ExoMars RSP (ESA, RSA)	
Voyagers [L]	Stardust/NExT	Mars 2020	Emirates Mars Mission (UAE via LASP)	
Lunar Orbiter [L]	Mars Global Surveyor	Europa Clipper	Hayabusa-2 (JAXA)	
Helios 1,2 [L]	Phoenix	NISAR (NASA and ISRO)	Proba-3 (ESA)	
Giotto [L]	EPOXI	Psyche	Parker Solar Probe	
	GRAIL	Lucy	EUMETSAT GEO satellites [L]	
DAWN		Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter	MOM (ISRO)	
	Messenger	Mars Express (ESA)	Chandrayan-2 (ISRO)	
Phobos Sample Return (RSA)		ExoMars 2016 (ESA, RSA)	Solar Orbiter (ESA)	
	Venus Express (ESA)	Akatsuki (JAXA)	STEREO [L]	
[L] = limited use	Rosetta (ESA)	Korean Pathfinder Lunar Orbiter (KARI)	Spitzer Space Telescope [L]	
	Chandrayaan-1 (ESA/ISRO)	New Horizons	Kepler [L]	
[S] = special services	Hayabusa (JAXA)	JUICE (ESA)	Hubble Space Telescope [S][L]	
	Kaguya (JAXA)	Bepicolombo (ESA, JAXA)	James Webb Space Telescope [S][L]	
ISO [S] (ESA)	LADEE	Gaia (ESA) [S]	Altius (Belgian earth science satellite)	
	Smart-1 (ESA)	Lisa Pathfinder (ESA) [S]	Armadillo (CubeSat, by UT at Austin)	
		Deep Space Network	Spectrum-RG (RSA)	

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SPICE at ESA Timeline

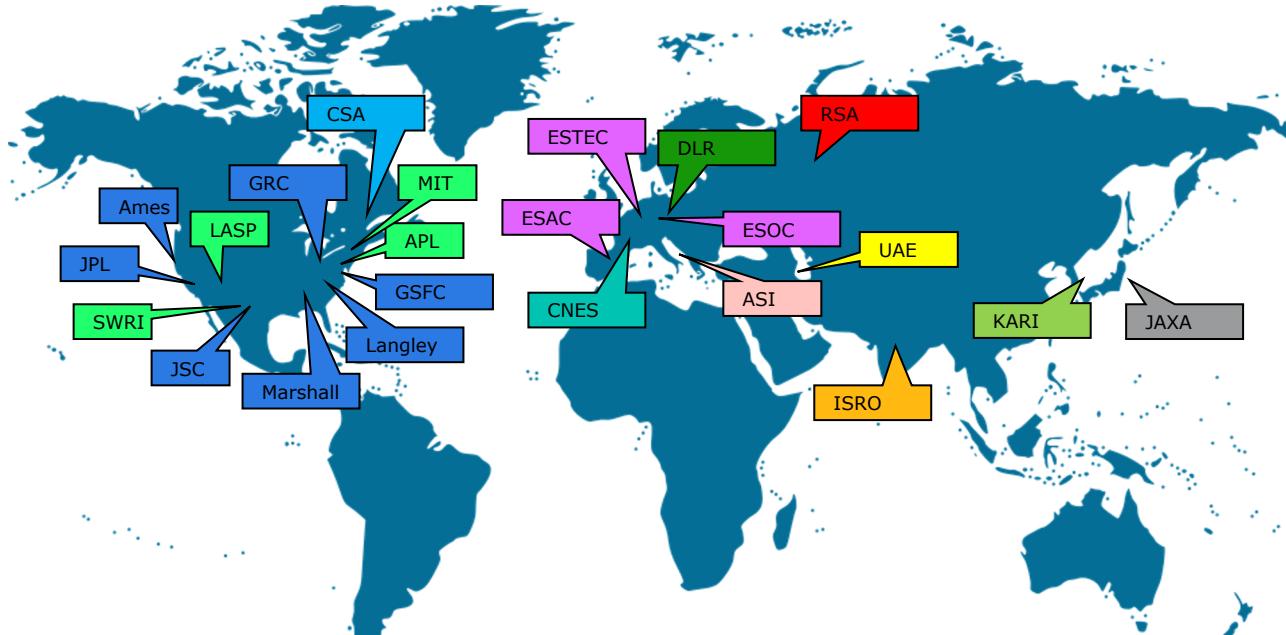


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Space Agencies Using SPICE



- █ NASA Field Centers
- █ U.S. Institutions
- █ Canadian Space Agency
- █ United Arab Emirates Space Agency
- █ European Space Agency
- █ French Space Agency
- █ German Space Agency
- █ Italian Space Agency
- █ Indian Space Research Organization
- █ Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency
- █ Russian Federal Space Agency
- █ Korean Aerospace Research Institute

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Take Home (but not yet!)



- SPICE has been in use since the Magellan mission to Venus in 1990, without any failures. Pretty much all worldwide planetary missions since Magellan have used SPICE, with the likely exception of Chinese missions (China have shown interest).
- SPICE has been adopted by many space agencies and is adopted as a standard by the International Planetary Data Alliance.
- SPICE is free of export and licensing restrictions, and SPICE is free of cost.
- It takes a small effort for an expert to setup a basic SPICE configuration
- While conceived for planetary missions, today it is also used for heliophysics, earth science, astronomy and tech demonstrations (and NASA DSN!).
- NAIF has consistently had, and has now, solid funding from NASA, ESA supports NAIF them through the MOUs.

SPICE is the de-facto standard system for ancillary data and solar system exploration geometry for the Planetary Science Community. We don't see why this could not be expanded to missions of other nature.