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The JUNO mission was divided into five phases: Launch, Cruise, Insertion, Science Operations and Deorbit.

#### **4.1 Launch**

The launcher is the Atlas V551: it's a two stage rocket which uses a standard Atlas booster plus five solid rocket boosters in the first stage and a Centaur upper stage in the second. The phase begins with the ignition of the solid rocket boosters. Upon the burnout of the solid rocket boosters, they are stagger jettisoned. The payload fairing jettison occurs 3.5 minutes after launch. The first stage separation occurs approximately six seconds after the booster cutoff. The first Centaur burn lasts six minutes, and completes when the vehicle has achieved its parking orbit. During the parking orbit coast period (approximately 5 min) the Centaur turns itself and the spacecraft to the desired attitude for the start of the second burn, which places JUNO on the desired departure trajectory. The spacecraft separates from the Centaur three-and-a-half minutes later the completion of the second Centaur burn. JUNO's solar panels were deployed about five minutes after the separation from the second stage.

#### **4.2 Cruise**

At the beginning of this phase, the spacecraft was injected in an interplanetary trajectory with the aim of reaching Jupiter. The cruise had a duration of about five years, during which two deep space manoeuvres and an Earth fly-by were performed. All manoeuvres will be better described in section 7. This phase also included instruments testing and verification, to ensure they were functioning properly and ready for the usage during the mission. This phase was also characterized by initial science observations of Jupiter.

#### **4.3 Insertion**

This phase begins four days before the start of orbit insertion manoeuvre and ends one hour after the start of the orbit insertion manoeuvre. The latter occurs at closest approach to Jupiter and slows the spacecraft enough to let it be captured by Jupiter in a 107 days period orbit. The Jupiter orbit insertion burn was performed by the main engine, and it lasted 30 minutes. After the burn, the spacecraft was in a polar orbit around Jupiter.

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