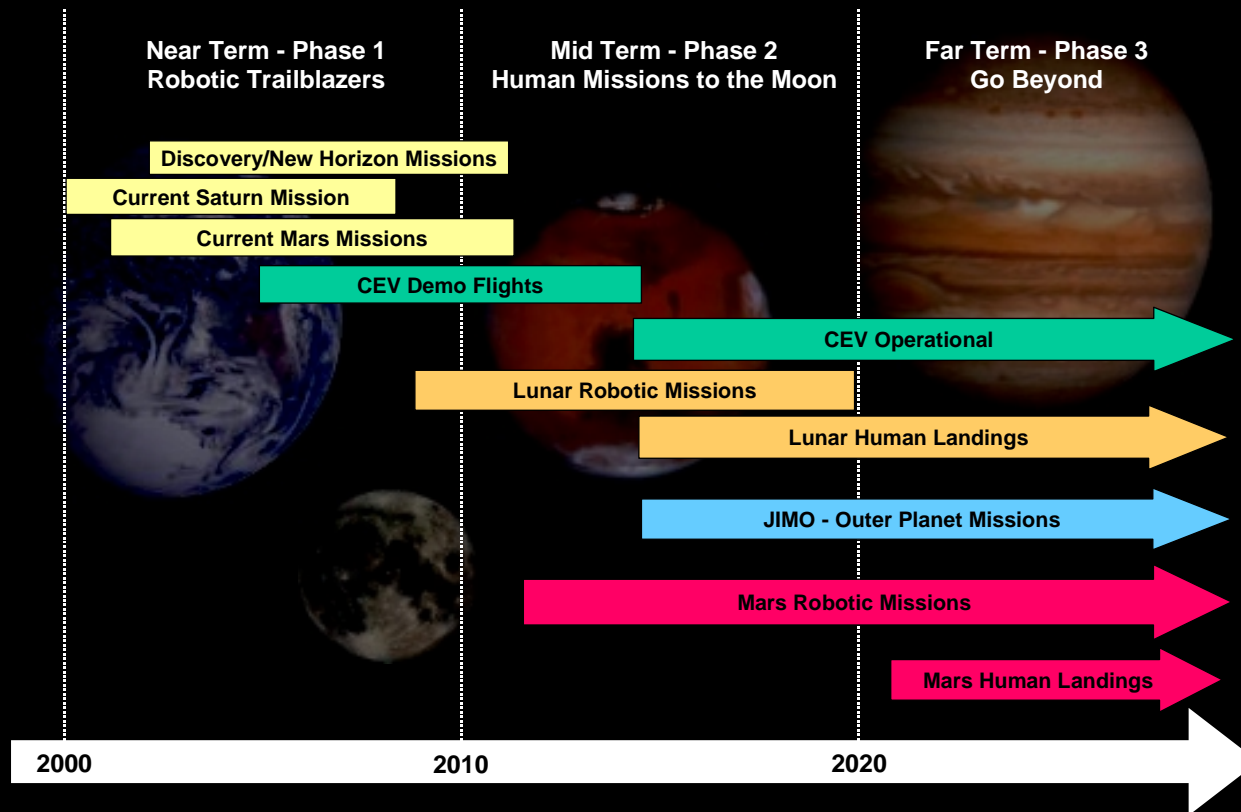


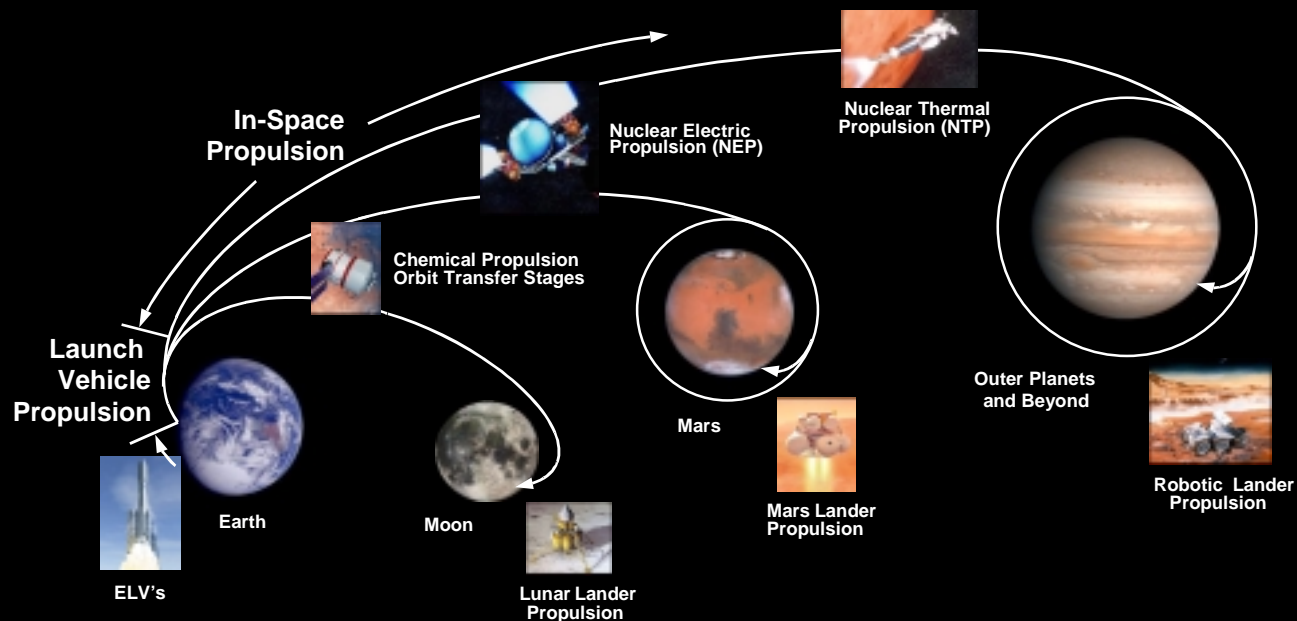


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The Three Phases of NASA's Exploration Road Map



The New Space Exploration Initiative Requires Launch Vehicle and In-Space Propulsion



Aerojet's View: Launch Vehicle Propulsion for Space Exploration

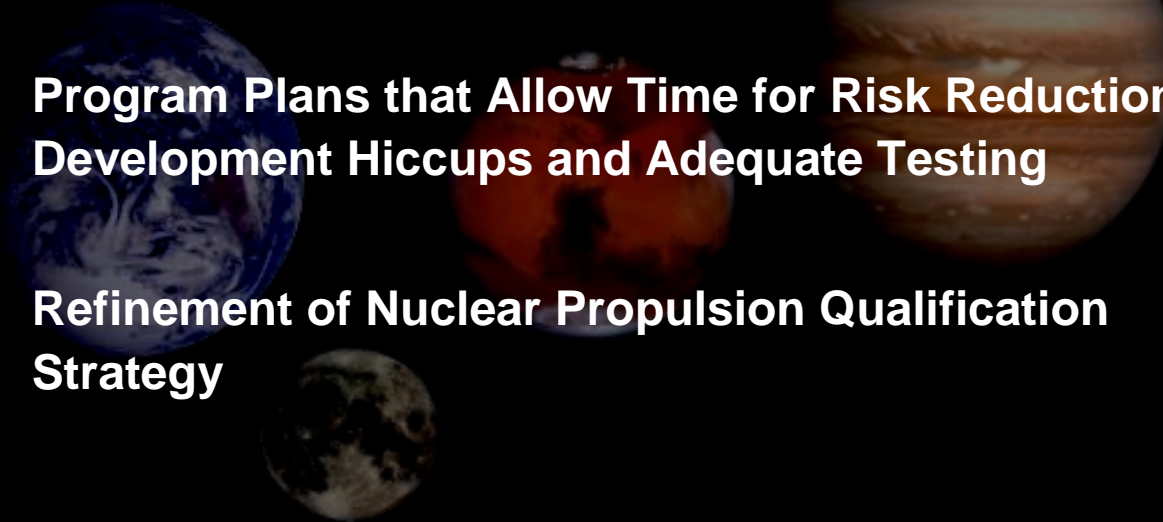
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Aerojet's View: In-Space Propulsion for Space Exploration

Phase 1 Near Term	Phase 2 Mid Term	Phase 3 Far Term
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Existing</u> Technology and Hardware Products Adequate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Human Rate CEV Propulsion Systems Developed During Phase 1• Propulsion Systems that take Advantage of in-Situ Propellant Production• High Power Nuclear Electric Propulsion for Outer Planet Exploration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nuclear Thermal Orbit Transfer Propulsion Systems

Common Propulsion System Challenges

- **Timely and Thorough Requirements Definition**
- **Program Plans that Allow Time for Risk Reduction, Development Hiccups and Adequate Testing**
- **Refinement of Nuclear Propulsion Qualification Strategy**



Conclusions and Recommendations

- **The Vision is Achievable - Propulsion Challenges Understood**
- **Requirement Definition and Adequate Development Time are Critical**
- **Vision Implementation will have a Substantial and Positive Impact**

