

# 汎用宇宙機帯電解析ソフトウェア MUSCATについて



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- Background
- Overview of MUSCAT functions
- Details of each function
  - Graphical User Interface
  - Main solver
  - Tuning and high-speed computation
  - Optional analysis (Plasma plume analysis)
  - Validation experiments
- Conclusion





# Background



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Spacecraft **Charging-Arcing** problem lead to the spacecraft failure



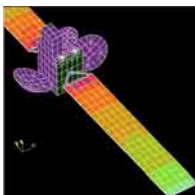
\*ADEOS-II: Polar Orbit Satellite: paddle size 3 x 24 (m) (JAPAN)



## Next Generation S/C Charging Analysis Tools

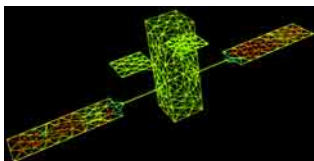


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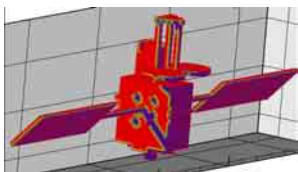
U.S.A : **NASCAP-2K**  
(**NASA Charging Analyzer Program 2000**)

➡ Subject of export restrictions



Europe : **SPIS**  
(**Spacecraft Plasma Interaction Software**)

➡ Open source  
Need simulation experience



Japan : **MUSCAT** (KIT & JAXA)  
(**Multi-Utility Spacecraft Charging Analysis Tool**)

➡ Completed Ver.1 (March, 2007)





## Fundamental Specification of MUSCAT (complete version)



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1. Available for **LEO, GEO and PEO** satellites analysis (Multy-Utility)
2. Satellite engineers w/o experience of numerical simulation can use (User-Friendly)
3. Reasonable computation time for users (about half a day)
4. Parametric run is available (robust calculation in 10 minutes)
5. Accuracy of the solver is examined



## Development Tasks for the Specification



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1. Multi-Utility Use → **Expansion of the solver function**
2. User-friendly → **Graphical User Interface (GUI)**  
→ **Client-Server model**
3. Run in half a day → **High-speed computation**
4. Parametric run → **Robust computation function**
5. Accuracy → **Code Validation**





# Framework of the development



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2004年11月開発開始, 2007年3月初版公表

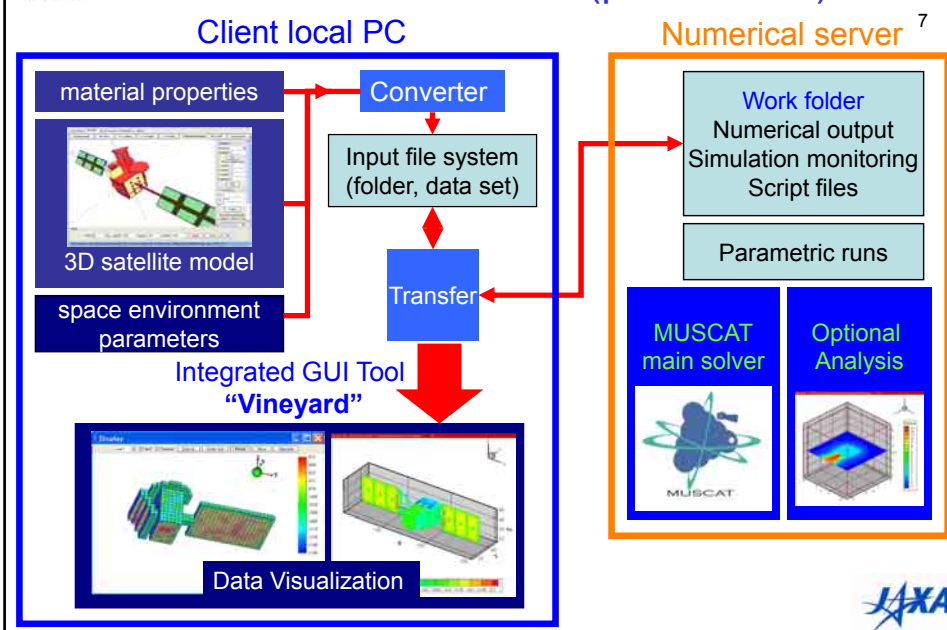
General overview		JAXA
Code development	Solver Speeding up GUI	KIT
Validation experiment		KIT
		ISAS/JAXA
Offering space environmental parameters		JAXA
		NICT
Validation by large scale calculation		GES (Kyoto Univ., NIPR)



# How MUSCAT Works? (procedures)



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## Development of GUI



### Integrated GUI Tool “Vineyard”





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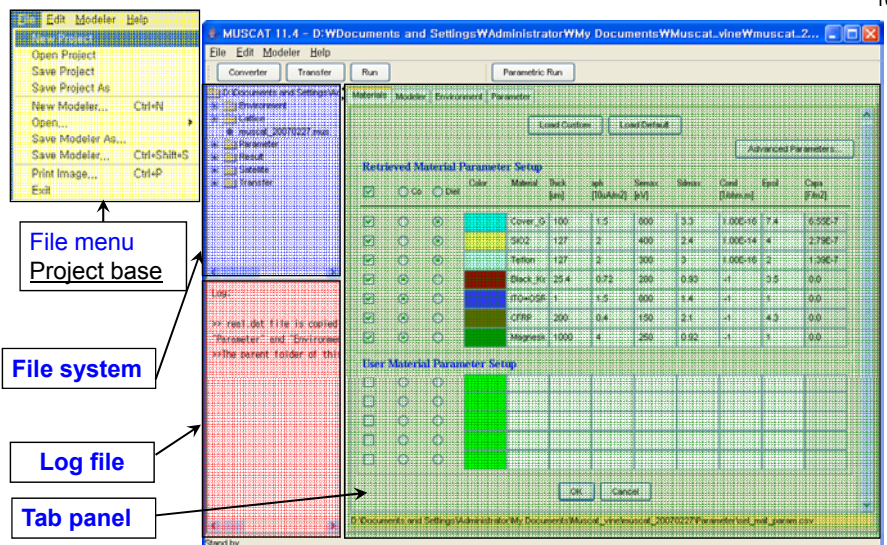
- Developed in **JAXA & JAVA3D**
- Parameter Input
  - 3D satellite modeling
  - Material property on each surface
  - Space environment
  - Numerical control
- Select solver function
  - Physical functions
  - Standard or robust
  - Optional analysis (plasma plume)
- Generate rectangular grid points
  - General 3D→Rectangular for the solver
- Monitoring a simulation (Communication)
- Visualization of numerical data
  - 2D, 3D plot & property time evolution at measurement point



**Starting up "Vineyard"**





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The screenshot shows the MUSCAT 11.4 interface with the File menu open. Callouts point to the File menu, Project base, File system, Log file, and Tab panel. The main window displays the Retrieved Material Parameter Setup table.

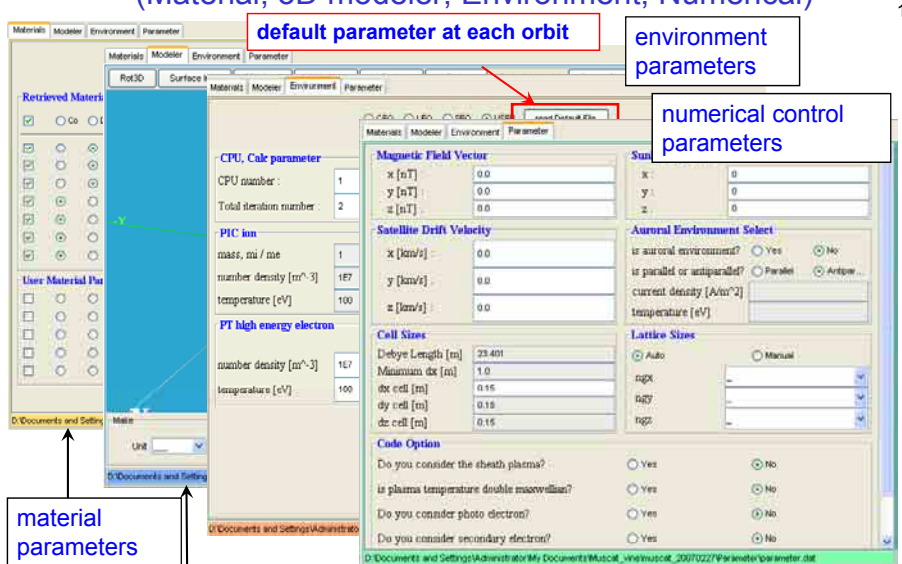
Material	Modeler	Environment	Parameter	Color	Mass (kg)	Vel (km/s)	Temp (eV)	Conc (1/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Spd (km/s)	Cap (F/m <sup>2</sup> )	
Cover	OK	OK	OK	Yellow	100	1.5	500	3.0	1.00E+10	7.4	6.50E-7
SO2	OK	OK	OK	Light Blue	127	2	400	2.4	1.00E+14	4	2.79E-7
Teflon	OK	OK	OK	Light Blue	127	2	300	3	1.00E+16	2	1.50E-7
Black Pt	OK	OK	OK	Dark Blue	35.4	0.72	300	0.65	-1	0	0.0
PTHDGSR	OK	OK	OK	Dark Blue	1	1.5	300	1.4	-1	0	0.0
CFRP	OK	OK	OK	Dark Blue	200	0.4	150	2.1	-1	4.3	0.0
Myepoxy	OK	OK	OK	Dark Blue	1000	4	250	0.92	-1	0	0.0



**Parameter Input Tab Panels**  
(Material, 3D modeler, Environment, Numerical)

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The screenshot shows the MUSCAT 11.4 interface with the Parameter tab selected. Callouts point to the default parameter at each orbit, environment parameters, numerical control parameters, material parameters, and 3D modeler. The main window displays the Magnetic Field Vector, Satellite Drift Velocity, and Auroral Environment Select panels.


**default parameter at each orbit**

**environment parameters**

**numerical control parameters**

**material parameters**

**3D modeler**

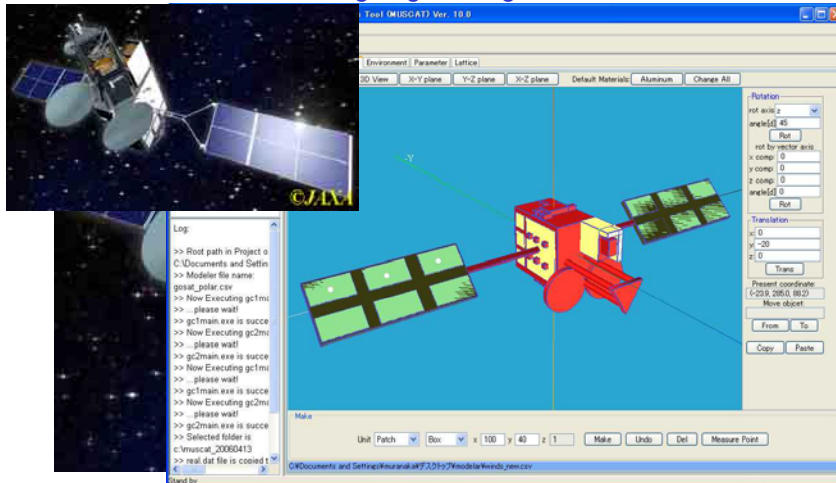


# Example of Satellite Modeling

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## WINDS (GEO satellite)

Wideband Inter Networking engineering test and Demonstration Satellite



# Surface Properties

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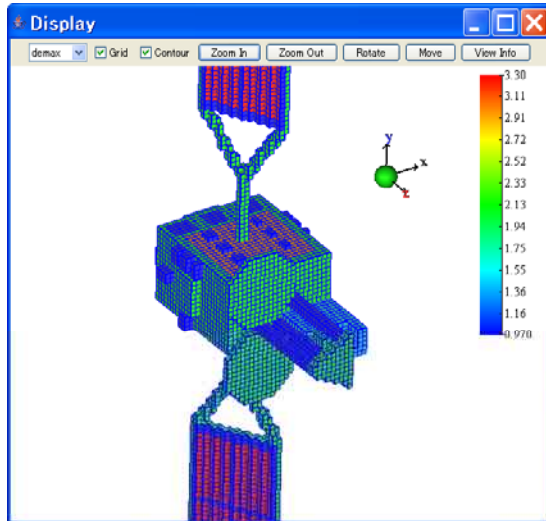
**shape**

**surface index**

**size**

Select	Conduct.	Dielectric	Color	Material	Thickness [μm]	aph [10uA/m <sup>2</sup> ]	semex [eV]	Sdmax	Conduct [1/ohmm]	Epexitari	Capacit [F/m <sup>2</sup> ]	Capacit [pF/m <sup>2</sup> ]
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<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Glass	100	1.5	800	11	1.00E-1	4.00	1.10E-7	1.10E-7
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# Geometry Conversion to Rectangular Elements

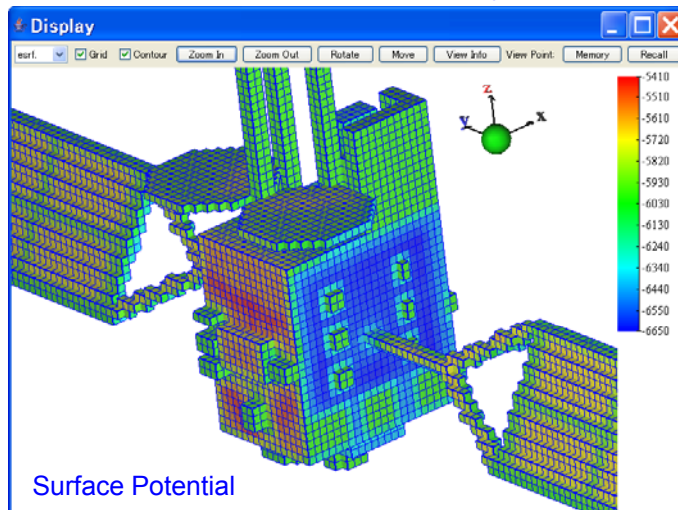


General 3D geometry



Rectangular grid  
(for the MUSCAT solver)

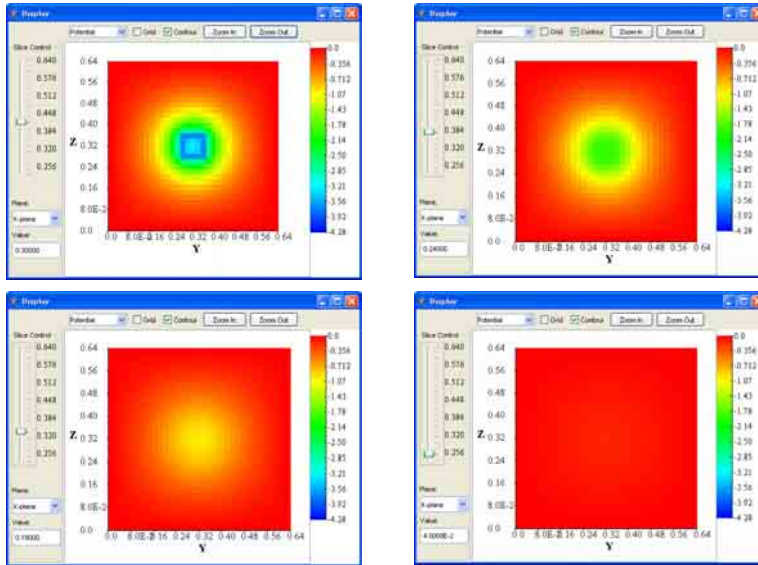
# Visualization of Numerical Data (1) 3D Surface Property



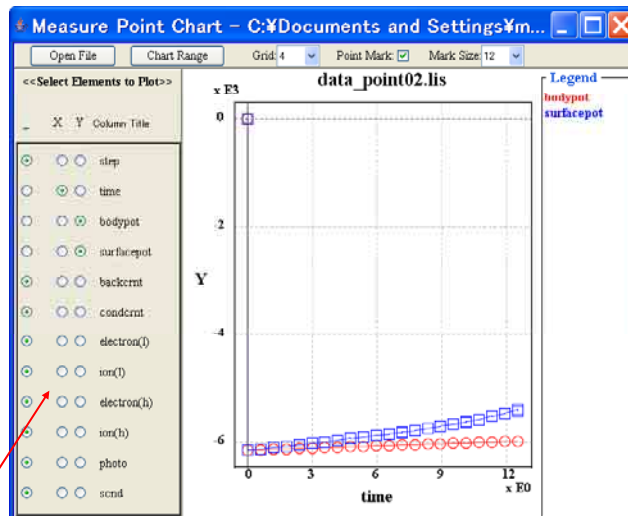
Surface Potential



## 2D Sliced Surface



## Time Evolution of Physical Properties on Measurement Point



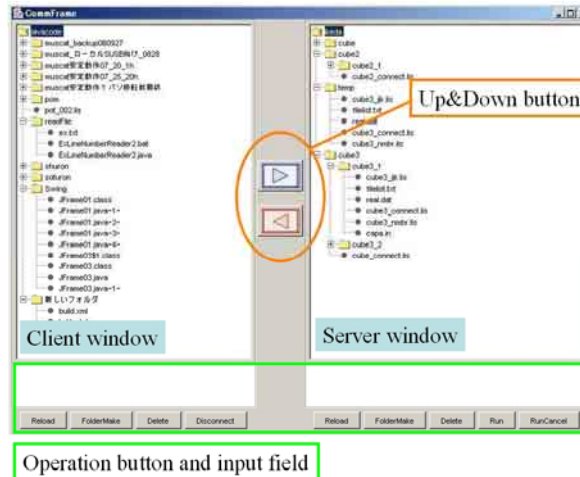
potential & currents

# Communication Tool of "Vineyard"

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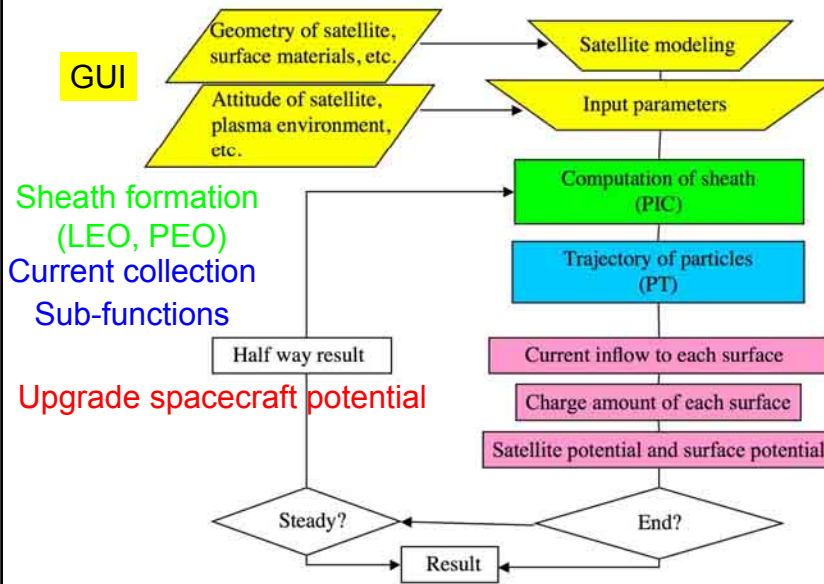
Local PC and Numerical Server Communication (LAN)

- JAVA + shell script
- Users do not need Network Set-up

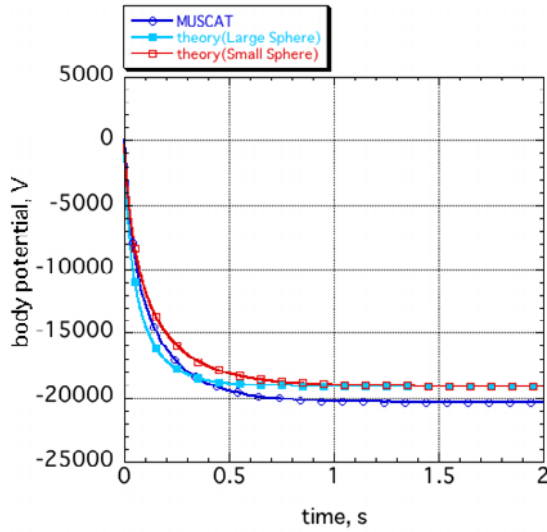


File Transfer Function

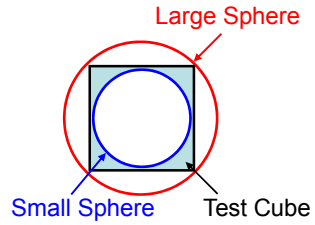
## Development of Solver



- Photoelectron emission (PEE)
  - Includes determination of sunlit surface
- Secondary electron emission (SEE)
- Auroral electron
- Conductive current
- Electrical physical functions
  - Power generation
  - More than one floating body
- Optional analysis
  - Plasma plume analysis (for Ion Engine)



Theory:  
Analytical Solution of OML theory  
by 4th-order Runge-Kutta method



Speeding up  
(Tuning and Parallelization)

- Symmetric Multiple Processor (SMP) workstation
  - Server of 2nodes,
  - 4CPUs for each, 8CPUs in total
- CPU Itanium II 1.3GHz
- Memory 16GB (512MBx28+cash)
- HD 660GB
- OS
  - SuSE Linux Enterprise Server
- Compiler
  - Intel Fortran for Linux ver.8.1
  - Intel C++ for Linux ver.8.1



- Modification and present status
  - Hardware
    - **Parallelization with Open-MP** to PIC and PT parts
    - Modify particle arrangement to reduce memory access time
      - about 6 times faster
  - Algorithm
    - **Time step control method (to reduce iteration time)**
    - Modification of PT algorithm (to reduce the number of computation for particles)
      - obtain **differential potential** of LEO and GEO satellite in 2 days (with our 8 CPUs WS)

# Time Step Control Method

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Time scale is quite different

$\times 10^3 \sim 10^5$

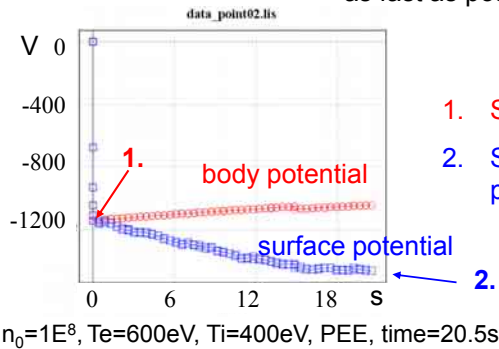
body potential  $\tau_0$

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growth of differential voltage  $\tau_1$

Obtain steady saturation voltage as fast as possible

we want to know for s/c charging!

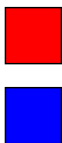


# Example of S/C Charging Analysis

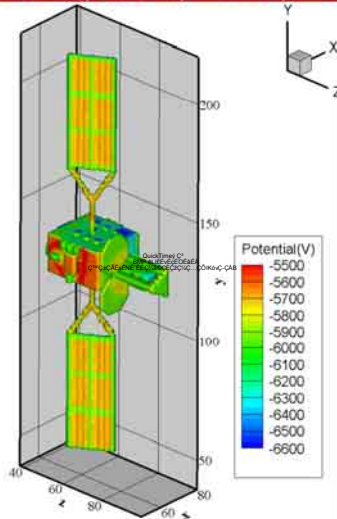
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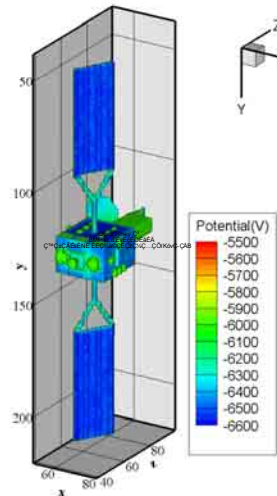


Frame 001 | 15 Apr 2007 | surface potential at time step= 43



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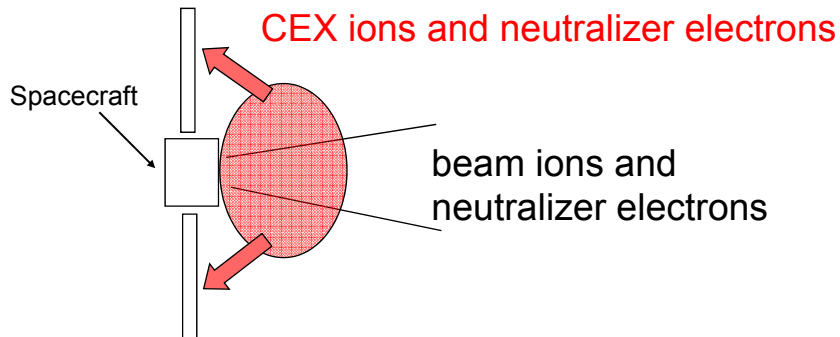
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Application to Plasma Plume Analysis

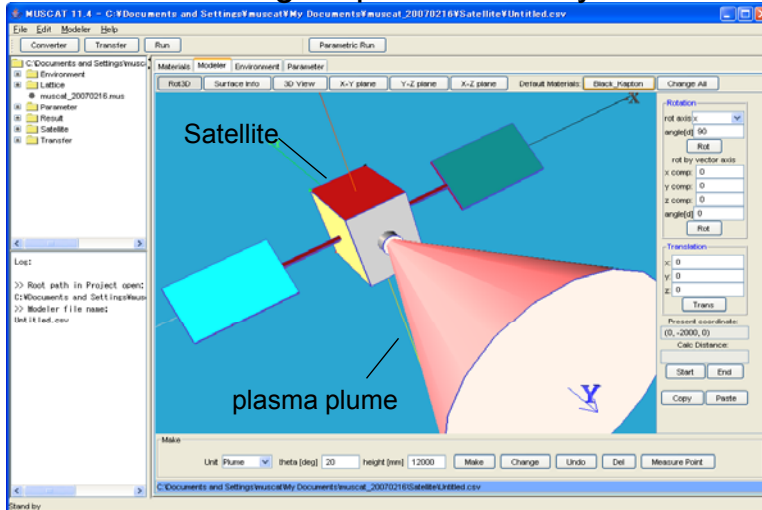


- CEX ions generated in beam plasma diffuse from positive electric potential in the beam plasma
- Ambipolar diffusion of CEX ions and neutralizer electrons
- Parameters of  $n_{bj}$ ,  $n_e$ ,  $n_{cex}$ ,  $\Phi$ , and  $T_e$  are important

- Contamination of spacecraft by CEX ions
    - Ion flux to spacecraft surface
  - Power loss due to dense plasmas near solar array paddle
    - Electron density near spacecraft surface
  - Relaxation of local spacecraft charging
    - Ion flux to the spacecraft surface
  - Fluctuation of spacecraft potential in the case of neutralization failure
    - Dynamic interaction between neutralizer and plume plasmas
- For the MUSCAT solver, A) and B) are considered



- Determine Ion engine parameters by GUI



- Ion beam and Neutral particle profiles
  - Fixed, obtained analytically [Ref. Samanta Roy, 1996]
  - Modeling by “Vineyard” (GUI tool of MUSCAT)
- CEX ions and Electric Potential
  - Obtain time evolution of  $n_{cex}$  profile by PIC method
  - Solve following non-linear Poisson equation

$$-\epsilon_0 \nabla^2 \phi = e \left( n_{bi}(x) + n_{cex}(x) - n_o \exp\left(\frac{e\phi}{kT_e}\right) \right)$$

$n_o$ : maximum density at plume exhaust point

Assume Boltzmann distribution for electrons  
 Adopt Newton-Raphson + SOR method

- Referenced experiment data
  - J.E. Pollard, “Plume Angular, Energy, and Mass Spectral Measurements with the T5 Ion Engine,”<sub>T</sub> AIAA-95-2920
- Compare plasma density during thruster operation
  - 1D angular distribution at 30, 60, 90cm from the exit

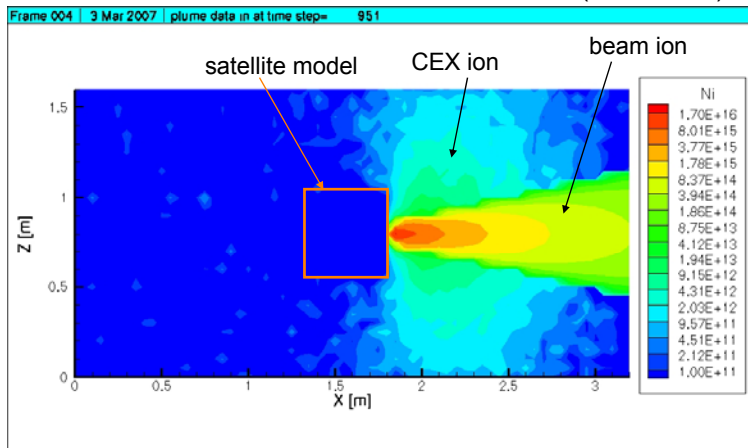
Propellant Gas	Xe (M=130)
Thruster Diameter, cm	10
Mass Flow Rate, mg/s	0.808
Thrust, mN	27
Ionization Efficiency	0.77
Beam Ion Current, A	0.458
Average Exhaust Velocity, m/s	30940
Specific Impulse, s	3157
* Beam Divergence Angle, deg	12
* Neutral Permeability	0.24

Table (left) :  
Specifications of the T5 Ion Engine

\* Typical values are used

Numerical domain 64 x 32 x 32  
Object size 10 x 10 x 10  
dx = 5cm, time = 1.05x10<sup>-3</sup> s

Neutral gas density  
propellant : 8.34x10<sup>16</sup> [m<sup>-3</sup>]  
background : 3.34x10<sup>16</sup> [m<sup>-3</sup>]  
(1x10<sup>-6</sup> Torr)



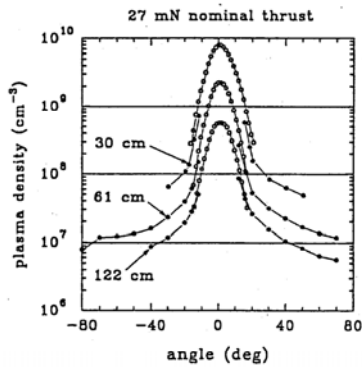
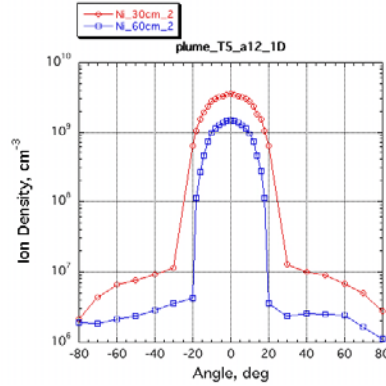


FIG. 6. Plasma density at 27 mN nominal thrust for the positions in Fig. 2. Open symbols ( $n_i$ ) are determined from ion current, and filled symbols ( $n_e$ ) are determined by least-squares fitting of electron current vs. voltage.



Density profile at 30cm and 60cm from thruster exit  
 Almost in good agreement with the profiles  
 Envelope CEX plasma density is lower

## Experiments for Code Validation



# Validation Experiments

IV-characteristic curve, Space potential measurements

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Condition	Orbit	Model	Validating Function
BG plasma	LEO PEO	Cubic electrode	Sheath Current collection
BG plasma w/ flow	LEO PEO	Plate	Sheath (wake) Current collection
Electron beam	GEO PEO	3D-satellite model	Current collection SEE
BG plasma w/ Electron beam	PEO	Plate	Sheath Current collection SEE

\*BG plasma: Ambient plasma w/o flow



# Validation Experiment Facility

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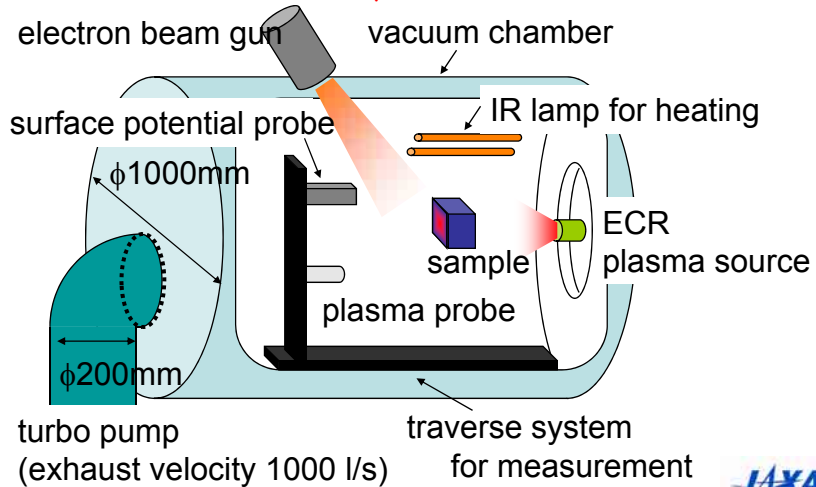
Chamber to simulate Polar Earth Orbit Environment



# Schematic of the Chamber

Simulate LEO, GEO and PEO environment  
 Ambient plasma: density  $10^{11} \sim 10^{12} \text{m}^{-3}$ , temperature 2~3 eV  
 Electron beam : ~30 keV, ~300  $\mu\text{A}$

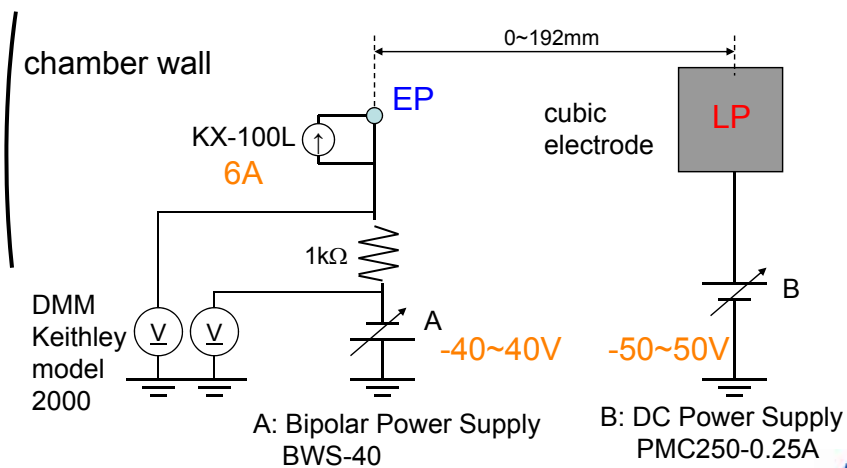
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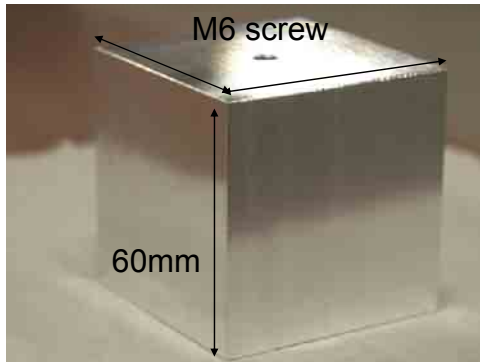
# Schematic of Probe Circuit

Emissive probe (EP): for electric potential  
 Langmuir probe (LP): for IV characteristic curve

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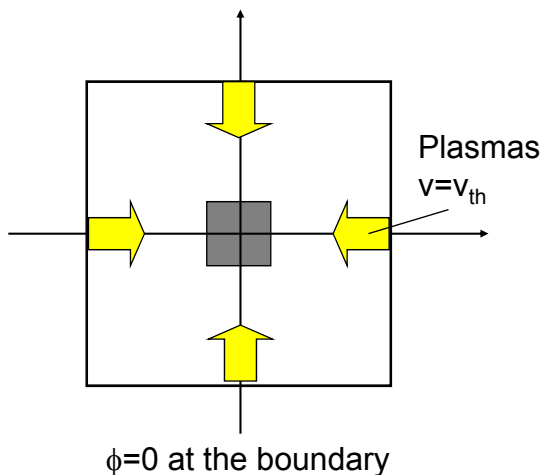


Adjust the shape to **rectangular grid** system of MUSCAT

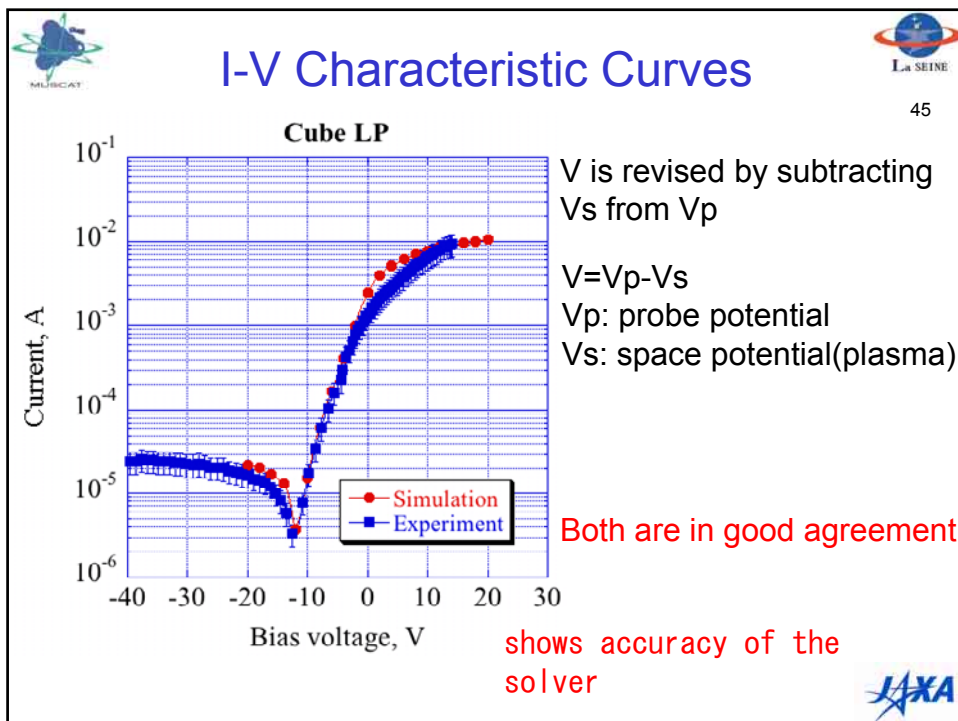
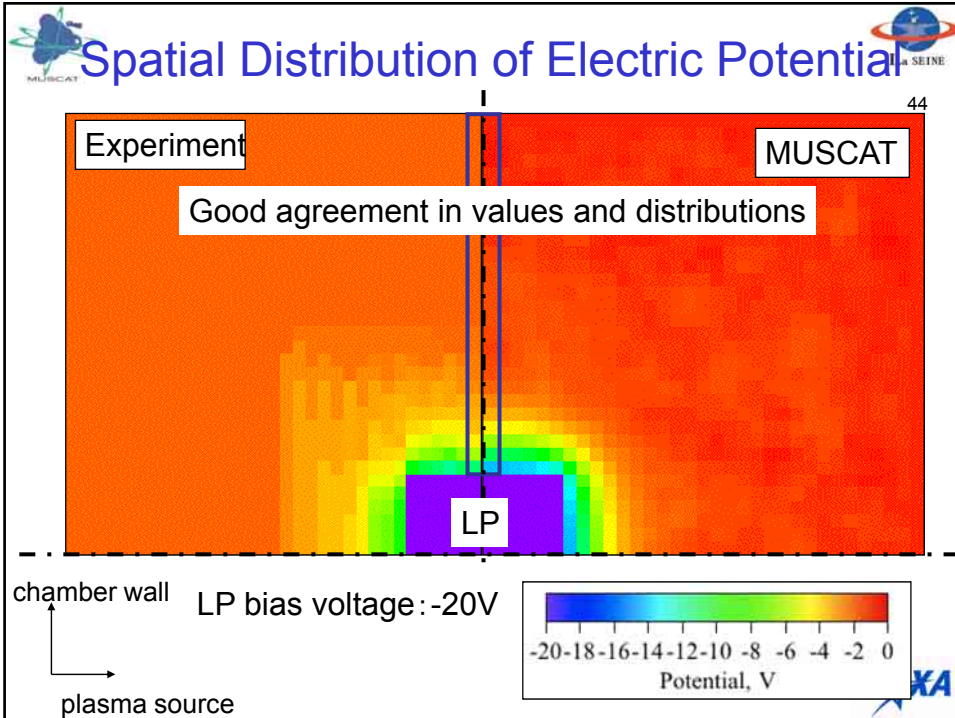


Aluminum cube  
 size= $(60\text{mm})^3 \sim (10\lambda_D)^3$   
 (  $T=2\text{ eV}$ ,  $n=3 \times 10^{12}\text{ m}^{-3}$  )

MUSCAT employs Rectangular grid system



size(grid)  
 domain:  $64 \times 64 \times 64$   
 object :  $10 \times 10 \times 10$   
 $\Delta x : 6\text{mm} (1.0\lambda_D)$   
 (  $T=2\text{ eV}$ ,  $n=3 \times 10^{12}\text{ m}^{-3}$  )





## Summary



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- The final version of MUSCAT, “MUSCAT ver.1” had been released in March, 2007.
- Specification required has almost been included.
  - **User-friendly** Integrated GUI tool “**Vineyard**”
  - **Multi-Utility solver functions** available at **LEO,GEO,PEO**
  - High-speed computation by parallelization and algorithm modification (**large scale computation in 2days**)
  - **Accuracy was validated** by experiments



## Present Status and Future Task



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- MUSCAT had already been used for a real PEO satellite charging analysis and contributed to determine the ground test condition.
- **MUSCAT is a shareware available by the company, MUSE** (MUSCAT Space Engineering, Co., Ltd)
- MUSCAT will be upgraded by the company after our development phase

