Solar System Navigation (ASTE599) Fall Semester 2014

Recommended Preparation: ASTE580 or equivalent course in Orbital Mechanics

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The Interplanetary Superhighway

Topics

Segment 1:

- Free-Return Lunar Trajectory Analyses ("Houston, we have a problem.")
- Circular Restricted 3-Body Problem
- Lagrange Points
- Mission Applications of the Past, Present and Future

Segment 2 – Optimization and Control of Interplanetary Trajectories:

- Targeting Encounter/Flyby Conditions
- Optimization Concepts
- Trajectory Optimization Methods

Segment 3 - Mission Design Using the Interplanetary Superhighway:

- Dynamical Systems Theory for Mission Design: Introduction and Survey
- Additional Three-Body Models and the Ephemeris Model
- Libration Orbit Design and Continuation
- Stability and Invariant Manifolds
- Interplanetary Superhighway and Beyond