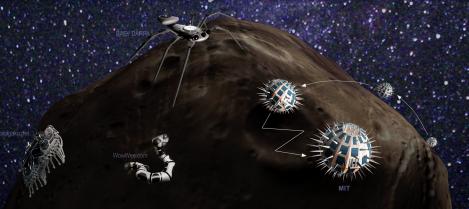


UROVET Space Horizons



A workshop on next-generation microrovers for planetary exploration



Benefits

Smaller scale permits higher g-forces during landing and explorarion. Multiple diverse configurations offer greater range of data and terrain. Pass data unit-to-unit from deep craters or non-earth-facing locations. Send spare units to mitigate potential losses from higher-risk terrain.

Challenges

Requires a new architectural model for mission planning and design.

Logistics of dozens increases operational management complexity.

Autonomous rover array management requires intelligent software.

No flight heritage: How do we garner support to fund initial missions?



Workshop

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