



外空矿物资源 ——挑战与机遇的全球评估

Space Mineral Resources
A Global Assessment of the
Challenges and Opportunities

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The final results of the Third Flying into the Future-Space Exploration Innovation Contest in Asia were announced in the ancient city of Xi'an on July 18, 2012. The contest was jointly organized by Chinese Society of Astronautics (CSA) and the Robert A. and Virginia Heinlein Prize Trust (The Trust), and supported by Northwestern Polytechnical University in Xi'an.

XUE Jikun and the other four co-authors from Nanjing University of Aeronautics & Astronautics (China) won the first prize with the title "The 'morning star' magnet hydro dynamic space power station".



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“猎鹰” 航天服

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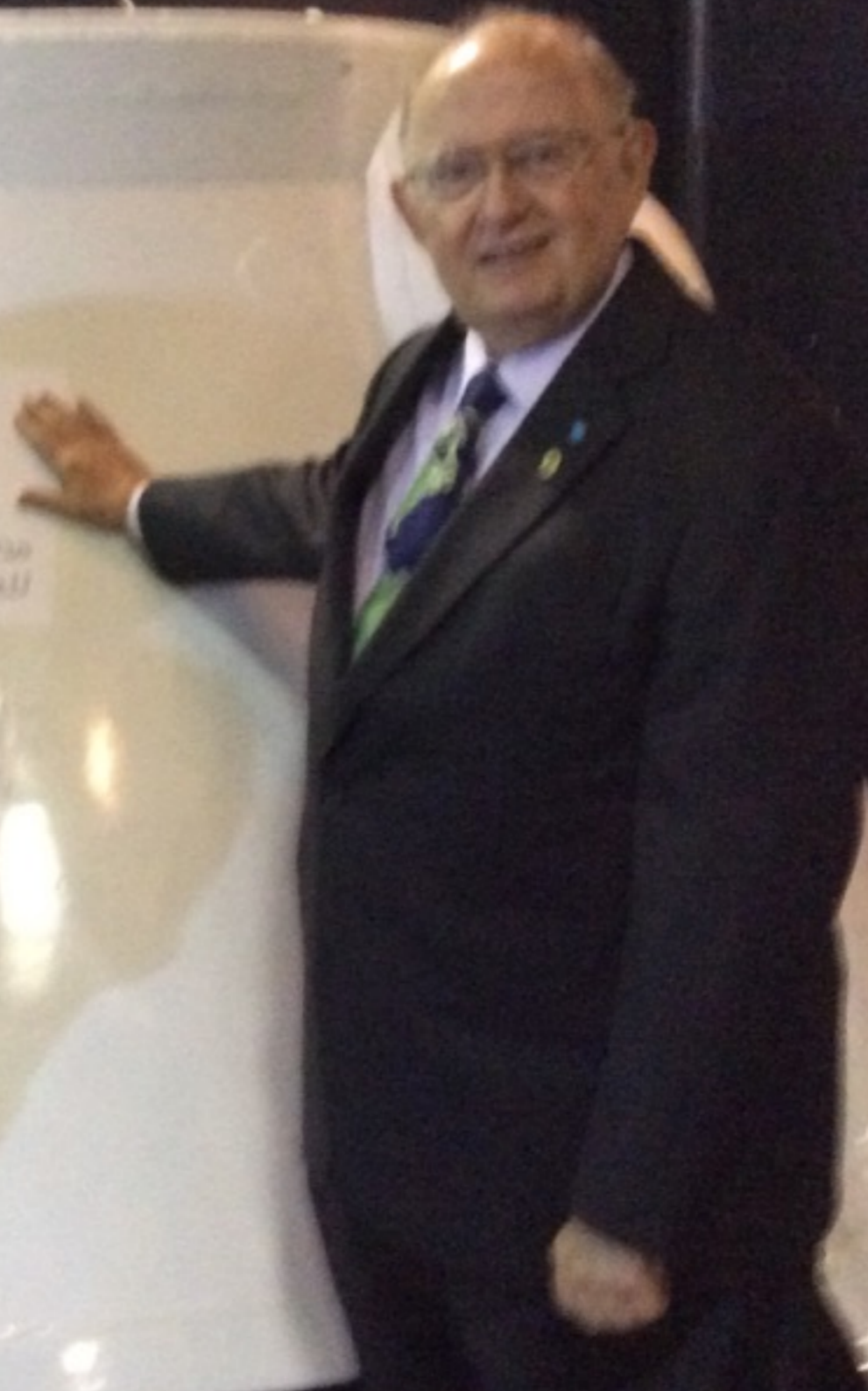
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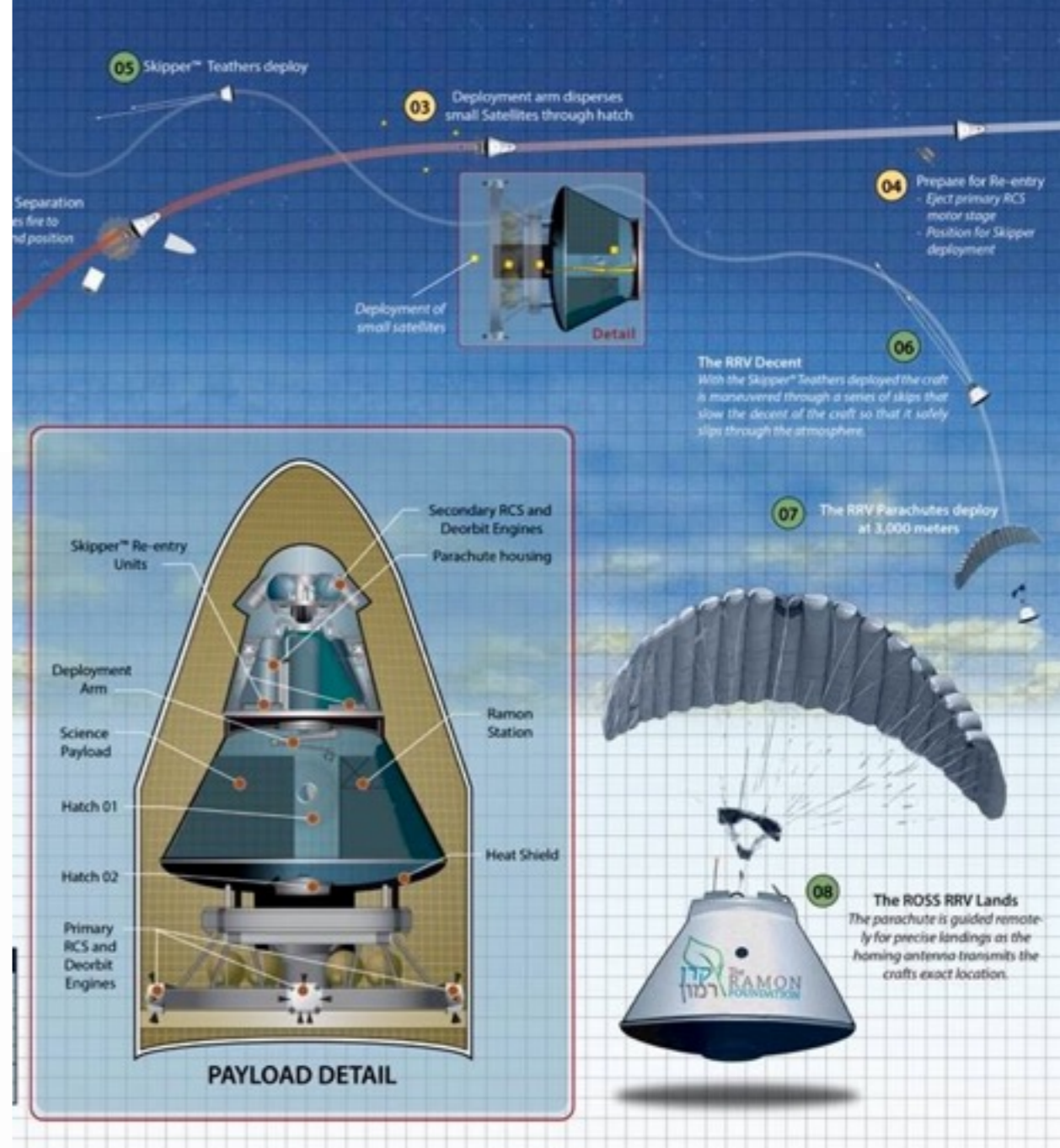
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To whom it may concern

Ramon SpaceLab Program

Ramon SpaceLab (RSL) is an advanced education program that enables children to send scientific experiment to International Space Station.

The advanced pedagogy in the program is designed not only to encourage young students to major and excel in STEM, but to assist the children in acquiring the needed skills for changing the reality in the 21st century. The program is considered to be Israel's leading space education program and one of the world's most advanced education programs.

The program includes 7 different missions. Each mission is named after one of the seven brave groundbreaking astronauts who led NASA's Columbia sts-107 mission. Each is a milestone preparing the students for the Ramon SpaceLab Mission – designing and deploying an experiment in space (alongside with researchers and scientists).

Up till today the Ramon Foundation sent dozen experiments to the international space station. We are currently in contact with Excalibur Almaz ("EA") to create the ROSS program. EA offered to provide its capsule to the project without charge and the Ramon Foundation will manage the ROSS educational program. Once the ROSS program will be deployed, we would be honored to send out children and students experiments with one of EA's unflown space capsule .

We are aware that EA is negotiating with China Great Wall Industry for space launch services to support the project. We are hereby confirm that we are in consent that during the negotiation process, EA will disclose the potential cooperation with the Ramon Foundation and details re the ROSS project to third parties.

Once the ROSS program will be deployed, we would be honored to send out children and students experiments with one of EA's unflown space capsule. We are aware that EA must negotiate a launch vehicle contract for the project. We hereby confirm that we are in consent that during the negotiation process, EA will disclose the potential cooperation with the Ramon Foundation and details re the ROSS project to third parties.



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To Whom It May Concern:

Harnessing the solar system's abundant resources is key to improving life on Earth, expanding beyond our planet, and exploring deep into space. IAA's Space Mineral Resources study is by far the most comprehensive analysis of the opportunity, the challenges, and the way forward. No entrepreneur, investor, or policymaker interested in this disruptive new capability should be without Space Mineral Resources. It is a desk reference for mining the last frontier, and I predict that it will be found in the first trillionaire's personal library. The Commercial Spaceflight Federation considers it required reading.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric W. Stallmer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "E" and "S".

Eric Stallmer
President

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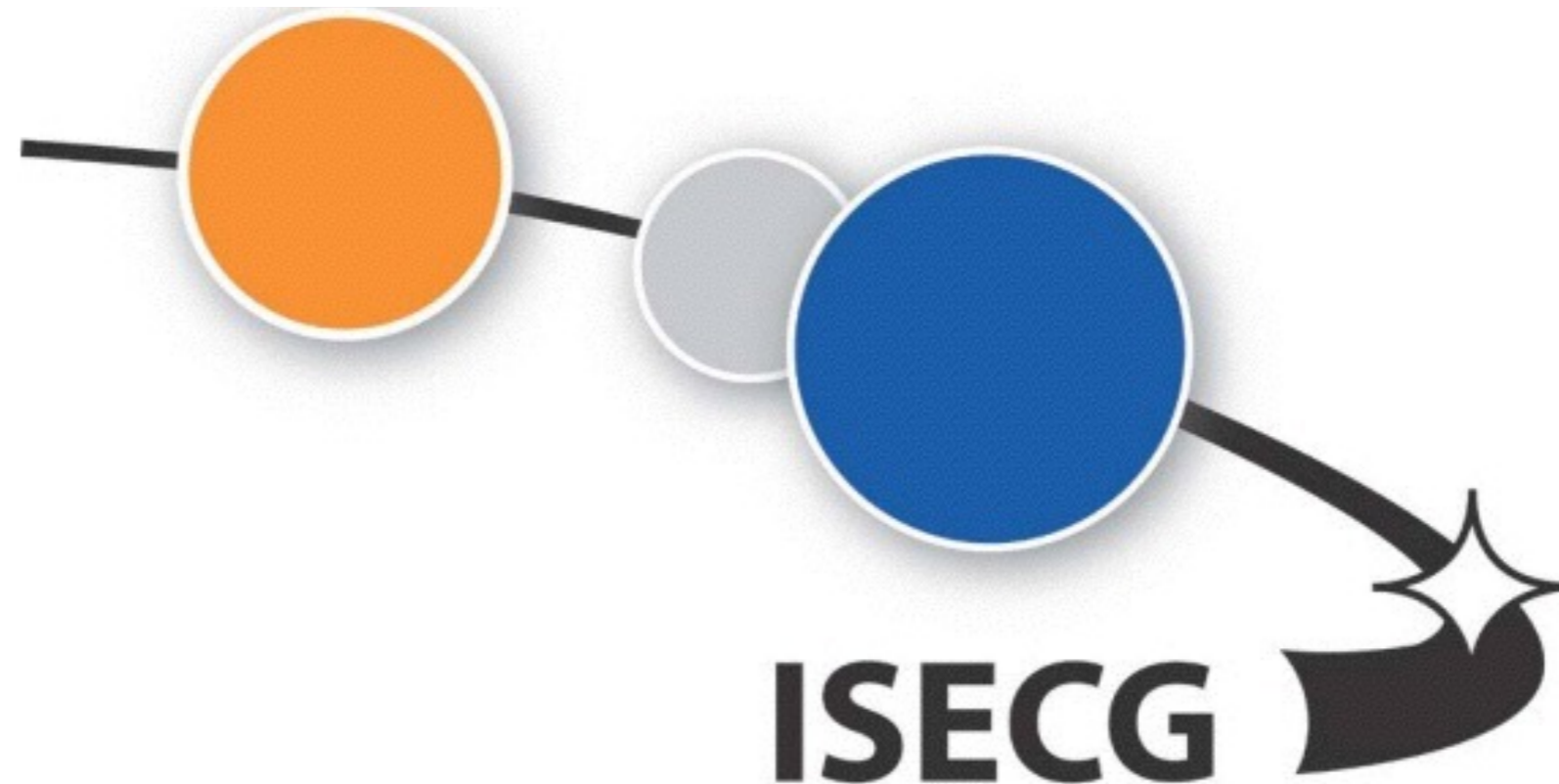
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Purpose of the study approved by the Scientific Commission of the Academy

To provide, in one document, the current state of the art of the technology, economics, law & policy related to Space Mineral Resource opportunities and to make recommendations for moving forward.

To provide a logical, systematic and practical road map to promote and encourage near term evaluation, development and use of space mineral resources.

No comprehensive summary of the current literature on this subject is now publicly available. This IAA study is the first comprehensive study of the subject; and, thus it should be³³ of significant value to its development for the benefit of humanity.

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Newspace Conference

International Space University

International Space Elevator Consortium

Chinese Society of Astronautics

Canadian Space Society

Australian Space Society

5 firms provided business road maps

Moon Express

Excalibur Exploration Limited

Deep Space Industries

Ad Astra Rocket Company

Shackleton Energy Corporation

Organization:

This study is organized to provide technical information, policy and legal analyses, economic context and opportunity analyses, and recommended steps for moving forward. Finally, an international roadmap showing pathways forward is offered. Following this roadmap will maximize the rate and likelihood of SMR development, as well as have the corollary benefit of saving humanity from one or more potential civilization or species-ending disasters. The layout of the study report is structured across a logical sequence:

- First – Set the stage; general background and then “how to mine.”
- Second – Describe the market and potential roadmaps to profit
- Third – Look at the technologies necessary to achieve success
- Fourth – Conduct analysis between choices
- Fifth – Assess the legal, policy and governance issues
- Sixth – Summarize conclusions and recommendations

Chapter 1 Introduction: This chapter shows the ideas expanded upon throughout the document, as well as, a description of space mineral resource approaches and a listing of the types of resources being sought. In addition, some quick insights are shown to set the stage for the rest of the report.

Chapter 2 Mining of Space Resources: This chapter will show the mineral content of likely locations for mining and processing materials as well as discussions of the processes and the technological equipment needed. Asteroids have tremendous potential; but, each is different and needs to be understood prior to approaching. Planetary surfaces provide a spectrum of mineral resources; but, where and how to develop them is the question.

Chapter 3 Market Approach: This chapter will look at financial approaches to ensure commercial success. Economic models will look at not only the value of the minerals to be mined, but the investment required to get there, provide mining facilities, store the resources, and then transport them to the customer.

Chapter 4 Roadmaps for SMR Development: This chapter will provide an understanding of “how to” achieve commercial viability on space mineral resource development, four company SMR roadmaps will be shown to lay out the approaches that each of these companies has taken.

- Deep Space Industries
- Shackleton Energy Company
- Excalibur Exploration

Chapter 5 Quick Look at SMR Systems: This chapter will analyze the systems aspects of these solar system level ventures. It will help identify the various risks that must be understood and mitigated. Technologies will be assessed as to their level of readiness for space with the traditional NASA Technology Readiness Level [TRL] approach and rating. In the end, this will assess the technological feasibility of the effort to provide a profit for SMR commercial venture.

Chapter 6 Modeling and Analysis: This chapter will look at the needs of commercial vendors in understanding the issues. In addition, the modeling and analyses will help venture understand where to invest near term funding to create a successful venture.

Chapter 7 SMR Policy, Legal and Other Considerations: This chapter will analyze international treaties and policies around the world for operations in space.

Chapter 8 Findings, Conclusions & Recommendations: This chapter will consolidate the findings and lead to the report's conclusions and recommendations.

Chapter 9 Concept for the Future – Water is the Currency for Space: This is a brief extrapolation towards the future recognizing the importance of mining water.

Principle Finding:

SMR ventures cannot wait for government programs to lower technological and programmatic risks. Commercial ventures must determine the optimum path for commercial success and aggressively lead the way beyond low Earth orbit (LEO). During the first half of the 21st century, space leadership will come from commercial enterprises and not depend upon government space programs. One concept that would leverage this series of initiatives is to convince government agencies that commercial enterprises will be there first and will be able to support government explorations by selling products to them at designated locations.

Major Conclusion:

Members of the study group found that mining space mineral resources will enable economic travel between the Earth's surface and near-by locations within our solar system. The process of mining water from asteroids, the Moon or Mars will ensure that key elements are available at the spaceports of the future. Water will ensure that human exploration will expand beyond low Earth orbit with the profit motive driving the exploitation of resources.

With this conclusion, the following is supported.

Finding 1: Technical

Technological risk reduction and engineering design: The mining of asteroids and lunar regolith is within the current state of the technical art. The extrapolation of Earth-based mining seems to be a one-for-one trade with some significant alterations due to vacuum, low gravity and temperature extremes. Many proposed solutions have been suggested and tested [on Earth] leading to positive conclusions on this topic.

Finding 2: Economic:

Financial aspects of any activity focuses upon the initial lift to orbit costs. Low cost access to space will enable space mineral resource utilization. Reducing cost of delivery to an EML-1 Lagrangian spaceport by two orders of magnitude will ensure that commercial entrepreneurs will spring up and pursue the vast opportunities then available.

Finding 3: Legal

Although space is inherently multi-national and international in its scope, experience indicates that national laws are the only framework that individual actors, both private and governmental, will accept as a means for specifically developing and acting in space. Mining and ownership of space mineral resources is parallel to national laws and, as such, is consistent within current international law.

International space law has established that national laws govern national activities in outer space within the current framework. History has repeatedly demonstrated that areas controlled primarily by national, as opposed to international, law prosper most readily.

Finding 4 – Publication of this study during 2015 is timely because interest in space mineral resources is growing. Recent events include:

A – “The Economics of NEOs:” A workshop held at NASA's Ames Research center in September 2014 with the aim: “... to serve as a catalyst for discussions and to foster collaborations between industry, academia and government.” Its summary is included in the study as an appendix.

B – “Space Mineral Resources Governance:” A meeting held in the Hague on December 1, 2014, resulting in the formation of “The Hague Space Resource Governance Working Group.”

C – “Towards the Use of Space Resources:” A follow-on meeting to the NASA Ames workshop held by the Minister of Economics of the Luxembourg in March 2015 to discuss the relationship and needs of commercial ventures and parallel government activities. Much of the discussion focused on risk identification and investment vs. technological readiness level.

A key feature of Finding #4 is that commercial space ventures are currently aggressively investing in risk reduction and vvbzhhhh.hhhjhghghhhhhhhh. out to form commercial and governmental partnerships. These types of actions, in the past, led to development of major new industries. It is reasonable to expect that this will happen in space industry.

Conclusion

The study provides an authoritative summary of the technology, economics, law & policy of Space Mineral Resource opportunities and to make recommendations for moving forward to develop these natural resources for human benefit.

31 Study Group Members from 17 countries, 11 organizations provided content, 5 firms provided business road maps

A second IAA study on this subject has begun. The IAA seeks and invites experts from developing countries to join this study group.

Please contact the editors for more details.

Principle Finding of the study.

SMR ventures cannot wait for government programs to lower technological and programmatic risks.

Commercial ventures must determine the optimum path for commercial success and aggressively lead the way beyond low Earth orbit (LEO). During the first half of the 21st century, space leadership will come from commercial enterprises and not government space programs. Private enterprises will be there first and will support government explorations by selling fuel and water at designated locations. **ULA now offers to pay \$3,000 per kilogram of water delivered in low Earth orbit.**

Major Study Conclusion and an update after Trump's election.

Members of the study group found that mining space mineral resources will enable economic travel between the Earth's surface and near-by locations within our solar system. The process of mining water from asteroids, the Moon or Mars will ensure that key elements are available at the spaceports of the future. Water will ensure that human exploration will expand beyond low Earth orbit with the profit motive driving the exploitation of resources.

The USA and Luxembourg have passed laws and made investments to encourage commercial space mining. The first companies are now working. I recommend that the PRC do the same.

Public-private partnerships will likely be the focus of President Elect Trump's space policy. Trump has proposed a stronger manned space program that uses commercial rockets from SpaceX, Blue Origin and others. There could be a return to the moon, possibly to mine fuel. The future of some big government programs - SLS and Orion is uncertain. The key will be probably be more "bang for the buck " by commercial competition.

Spurring Private Aerospace Competitiveness and Entrepreneurship Act of 2015

Signed by President **Barack Obama**
on 25 November 2015 explicitly allows



“US citizens to engage in the
commercial exploration and exploitation
of 'space resources' [including ... water
and minerals].”

The Act further asserts that "the United
States does not [(by this Act)]
assert **sovereignty** or sovereign
or **exclusive rights** or jurisdiction over, or
the ownership of, any **celestial body**."

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To amend title 51, United States Code, to provide for the authorization and supervision of nongovernmental space activities, and for other purposes.

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JUNE 7, 2017

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4 This Act may be cited as the “American Space Com-
5 merce Free Enterprise Act of 2017”.

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- Sec. 3. Certificates to operate space objects.
- Sec. 4. Permitting of space-based remote sensing systems.
- Sec. 5. Administrative provisions related to certification and permitting.
- Sec. 6. Technical and conforming amendments.
- Sec. 7. Office of Space Commerce.

**Economic Assessment and Systems Analysis
of an Evolvable Lunar Architecture that
Leverages Commercial Space Capabilities and Public-Private-Partnerships**

Forward

This study by NexGen Space LLC (NexGen) was partly funded by a grant from NASA's Emerging Space office in the Office of the Chief Technologist. The conclusions in this report are solely those of NexGen and the study team authors.

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Executive Summary

This study's primary purpose was to assess the feasibility of new approaches for achieving our national goals in space. NexGen assembled a team of former NASA executives and engineers who assessed the economic and technical viability of an "Evolvable Lunar Architecture" (ELA) that leverages commercial capabilities and services that are existing or likely to emerge in the near-term.

We evaluated an ELA concept that was designed as an incremental, low-cost and low-risk method for returning humans to the Moon in a manner that directly supports NASA's long-term plan to send humans to Mars. The ELA strategic objective is commercial mining of propellant from lunar poles where it will be transported to lunar orbit to be used by NASA to send humans to Mars. The study assumed A) that the United States is willing to lead an international partnership of countries that leverages private industry capabilities, and B) public-private-partnership models proven in recent years by NASA and other government agencies.

Based on these assumptions, the our analysis concludes that:

- Based on the experience of recent NASA program innovations, such as the COTS program, a human return to the Moon may not be as expensive as previously thought.
- America could lead a return of humans to the surface of the Moon within a period of 5-7 years from authority to proceed at an estimated total cost of about \$10 Billion (+/- 30%) for two independent and competing commercial service providers, or about \$5 Billion for each provider, using partnership methods.
- America could lead the development of a permanent industrial base on the Moon of 4 private-sector astronauts in about 10-12 years after setting foot on the Moon that could provide 200 MT of propellant per year in lunar orbit for NASA for a total cost of about \$40 Billion (+/- 30%).
- Assuming NASA receives a flat budget, these results could potentially be achieved within NASA's existing deep space human spaceflight budget.
- A commercial lunar base providing propellant in lunar orbit might substantially reduce the cost and risk NASA of sending humans to Mars. The ELA would reduce the number of required Space Launch System (SLS) launches from as many as 12 to a total of only 3, thereby reducing SLS operational risks, and increasing its affordability.
- An International Lunar Authority, modeled after CERN and traditional public infrastructure authorities, may be the most advantageous mechanism for managing the combined business and technical risks associated with affordable and sustainable lunar development and operations.
- A permanent commercial lunar base might substantially pay for its operations by exporting propellant to lunar orbit for sale to NASA and others to send humans to Mars, thus enabling the economic development of the Moon at a small marginal cost.

Exhibit 11: Map of active United States launch and reentry sites
 Dots represent licensed or government sites; stars represent non-licensed sites



Source: FAA, Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research.

Globally, we highlight 10 countries that manage the most active launch and reentry sites.

Exhibit 12: Map of main active global launch and reentry sites
 Russia, China, France, Japan, South Korea, North Korea, Israel, India, Kazakhstan and the US manage the most active facilities



Source: FAA.

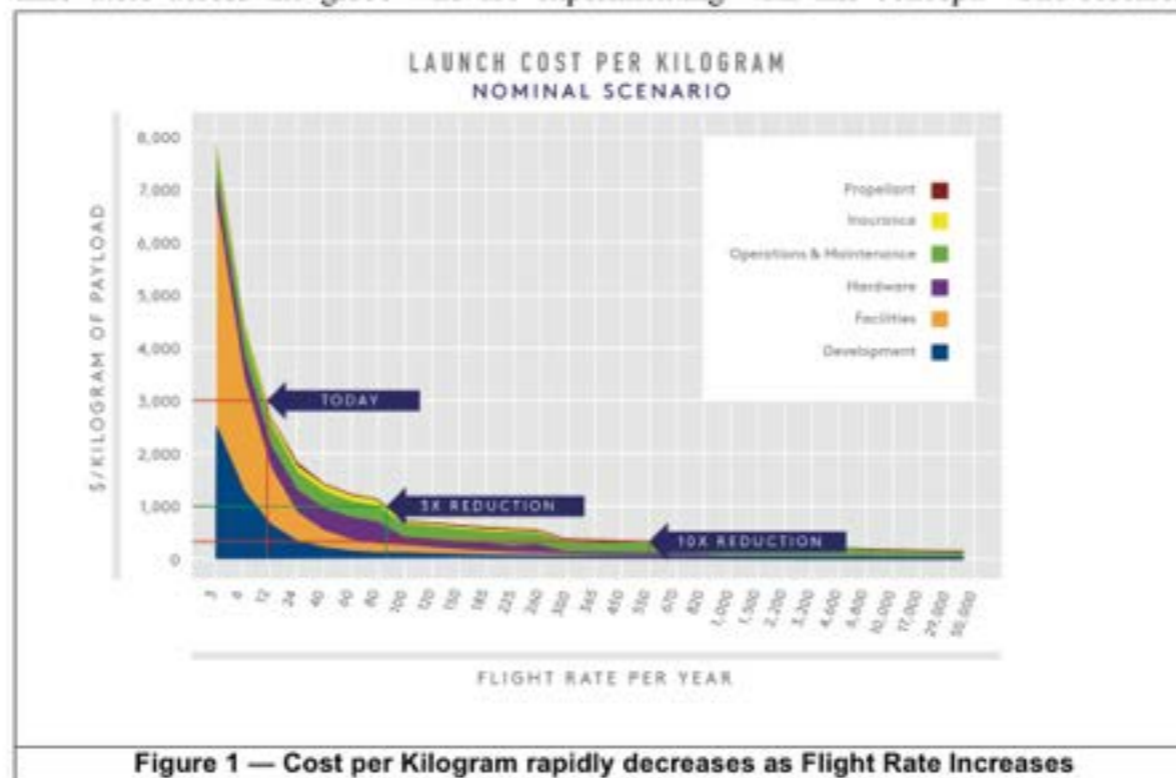
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Predicate for Success: Reduce Costs through Reusability and Increased Flight Rates

The rich benefits of a Fast Space architecture will only be realized if the cost of space launch can be substantially reduced. Our analysis has scanned the horizon of innovators across the globe who are experimenting with this concept. The research



reveals that reusability is where the big investors are placing their bets. Our RLV analysis finds that launch costs reduce dramatically as launch rates increase. As **Figure 1** indicates, as launch rates increase, costs drop quickly and significantly. The robust analysis that substantiates the figure can be found in the full report. The benefits of Fast Space become real as ultra low-cost access to space (ULCATS) systems mature. Even though RLVs are the current trend, this study recommends that the Air Force ride the leading edge of innovation, no matter where it goes. We cannot predict future winners in this journey, so other technologies such as space elevators, air launch space access, or other techniques may become more affordable.

What the USAF Should Do To Seize This Opportunity

Based on our analysis, we recommend the Air Force should use Other Transaction Authorities (OTAs) to fund commercial partnerships with private space industry leaders. A compelling partnership marries the comparative advantages of both the US government and private industry. The government supplies capital, deep technical expertise and fixed infrastructure beyond the ability of any company to sustain, and the possibility of future purchases if they succeed. Industry capitalizes on their entrepreneurial business models, profit motives, innovative cultures, and extensive research and development to build the technical systems of a Fast Space architecture. A partnership funded through OTAs could put a virtuous cycle of cost reduction into motion to make Fast Space a reality for the joint force.

Fri Jun 3, 2016 | 12:23pm EDT

Luxembourg sets aside 200 million euros to fund space mining ventures



Luxembourg on Friday upped its bid to be a leader in the nascent space mining industry by setting aside 200 million euros (\$223 million) to fund initiatives aimed at bringing back rare minerals from space.

Luxembourg in February announced plans for a law that would make it the first state in Europe to give legal clarity to the commercial exploitation of asteroids. A similar law was passed by the United States in November.

"We have a first budget to get started but if we need more money, we will be able to provide it," Etienne Schneider, Luxembourg's economy minister told a news conference.



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COMMERCIAL SPACE

Luxembourg to Invest \$227 Million in Asteroid Mining

David Z. Morris
Jun 05, 2016



On Friday, the tiny European nation of Luxembourg announced that it would [open a 200 million Euro \(\\$227M U.S.\) fund](#) to entice companies focused on mining asteroids to locate there. Luxembourg's economy minister said that the fund's budget could expand if needed, and that it is aimed at making the country, which is about the size of the Dallas metro area, a global leader in space.

Space Mineral Resources

A Global Assessment of the
Challenges and Opportunities

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Recommendation

Develop technologies, corporations and government relationships to support the following action plan.

Phase One: Initiate the business infrastructure on Earth 2014-2020

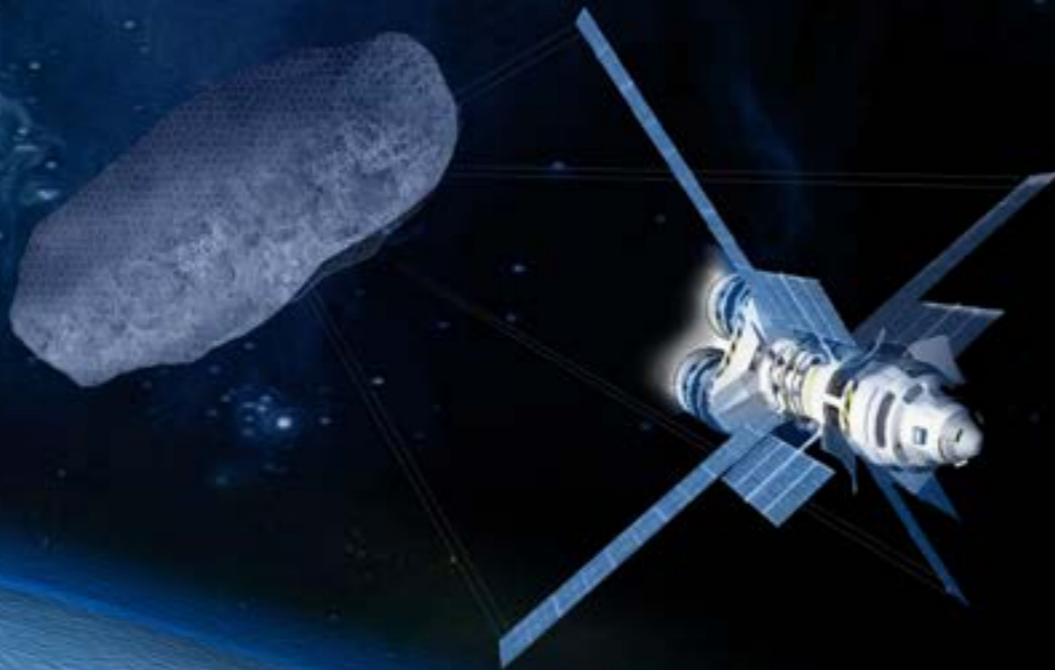
Phase Two: Execute prototype flights to potential asteroids as well as testing hardware in LEO 2015-2022

Phase Three: Initiate mining operations with sale of product 2018-2029

Expected Results: Selling water at the Earth-Moon Lagrangian Point #1.

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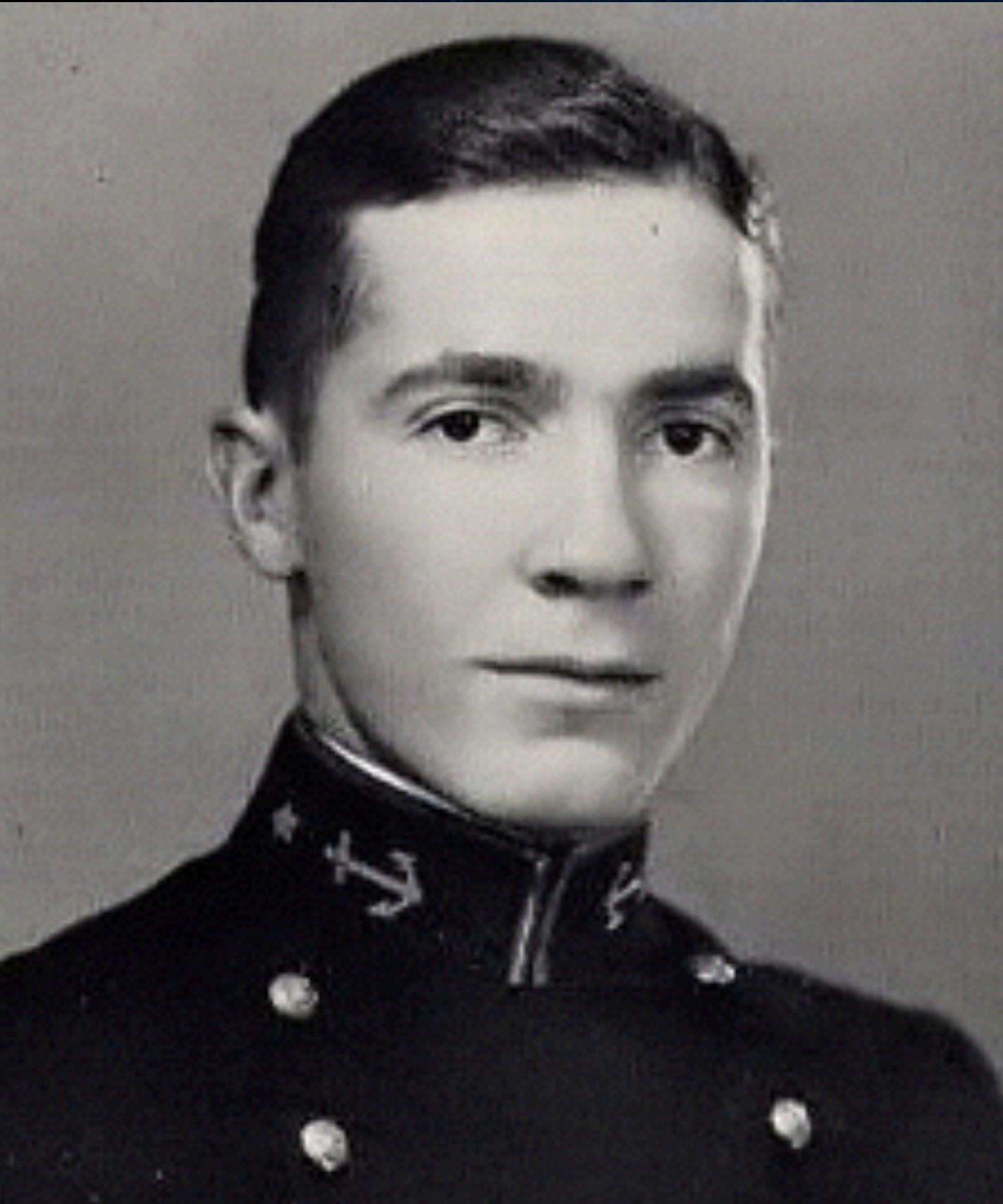


The participants In this IAA cosmic study acknowledge that this study is only a beginning. A second IAA study on this subject has already begun. The participants hope that their work will be of value to those that follow.

Let's talk about where
we are now and where
we are going.



HEINLEIN PRIZE TRUST



What are the facts? Again and again and again — what are the facts? Shun wishful thinking, ignore divine revelation, forget what “the stars foretell,” avoid opinion, care not what the neighbors think, never mind the unguessable “verdict of history” — what are the facts, and to how many decimal places? You pilot always into an unknown future; facts are your single clue. Get the facts!

R. A. Heinlein
Class of 1929



CONESTOGA 1

**PIONEERING THE COMMERCIAL
SPACE FRONTIER**

September 9, 1982, Matagorda Island, Texas

“A Hundred Miles Up and You’re Halfway to Anywhere!”

Robert A. Heinlein



A new Space Age is emerging. Rocket launches are being privatized, the most ambitious satellite constellation ever is being deployed, man is looking back to the Moon and to Mars, and militaries are vying for the ultimate high ground. In the latest in our **Profiles in Innovation** series, we examine where new industries are being created, and where others are being disrupted in the latest race to harness the cosmos. We show how technological advances and necessity are creating a wave of opportunity as business and governments invest in a new Space Economy.

INSIDE:
**VENTURE CAPITAL
HORIZONS**
Private Company Ecosystem

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The Second Space Age has begun, and the forces of innovation and disruption are overtaking formerly stagnant industries. New technology is emerging, as old assets fossilize and certain legacy industries wrestle with structural change. Space has always played an important role in our lives, a lynchpin in the modern era, with so many components of everyday life either due to, or reliant on, space and its players. But the space economy is also now inflecting, and we believe will become a multi-trillion dollar market within the next two decades.

The key driver of change today is the enabling power of major change in the commercial launch and satellite manufacturing industries. While relatively small markets today, rapidly falling costs are lowering the barrier to participate in the space economy, making new industries like space tourism, asteroid mining, and on-orbit manufacturing viable, and growing the existing flagship communications satellite services business while taking exploration deeper into space.

Space is becoming a military focal point as governments pivot off Earth and space becomes more congested. If conflict were to start between substantial powers, the opening salvos could be in space, where years of underinvestment have left key assets vulnerable. This looks set to drive an immediate resurgence in US military space investment.

THE NEW SPACE AGE in numbers

START-UP SUPPORT

\$13.3 BILLION

Total investment in space start-ups since 2000, heavily weighted toward the last 10 years. (p. 60)

WORLD WIDE WEB

50%

The share of the world's population that satellite connectivity could bring online. (p. 36)

THE SPACE(X) RACE

40%

The launch discount that SpaceX offers versus incumbents, though at lower success rates. (p. 25)

19%

2006-2016

The US share of global commercial launch revenues, averaged over the last decade. Europe dominated with a 45% share over the same period, while Russia held 25%. (p. 23)

The US share of global commercial launch revenues in 2016, driven largely by SpaceX, creating a virtual duopoly between US (SpaceX) and European (Arianespace) launchers. (p. 23)

47%

2016

OUTGROWING THE BUDGET

6%

The CAGR we expect for the US defense and intelligence space budget over the next five years as the Pentagon seeks to defend half a trillion dollars worth of friendly assets in orbit. We believe many A&D investors underestimate the size of the government space budget. (p. 80)

SATEL-LITE

10cm x 10cm x 10cm

The size of a CubeSat, one of the smallest satellites and also the most common. A CubeSat weighs only 1 kg and has up to a 3-year lifespan vs. thousands of kilograms / 15 years for traditional commercial and government satellites. While CubeSats have to be replaced more frequently because of their shorter lifespan, the benefit is a newer and more technologically advanced fleet in orbit. (p. 10)

Satellite drawn to scale

STRIKE IT RICH

\$25-50 BILLION

The value of platinum on an asteroid the size of a football field, according to Planetary Resources. Asteroids are also rich in water, which can be converted into rocket fuel (orbiting gas stations, anyone?). We believe space mining is still a long way from commercial viability, but it has the potential to further ease access to space and facilitate an in-space manufacturing economy. (p. 74)

FOR THE LONELY-PLANET TYPES

\$35 MILLION / PERSON

\$250,000 / PERSON

The historical price of a tourist seat on a Soyuz rocket vs. a tourist seat on Sir Richard Branson's new Virgin Galactic sub-orbital spacecraft. (p. 73)

ROCKET RACE

▼
ULA'S PLANNED
REUSABLE,
LOWER-COST
CONTENDER



VULCAN

HEIGHT
215 FEET

DIAMETER
18 FEET

THRUST AT SEA LEVEL
1.1 MILLION
POUNDS

PAYLOAD TO ORBIT
21,400 POUNDS

PRICE
LESS THAN \$100
MILLION

FIRST FLIGHT (EST.)
2019

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BLUE ORIGIN'S
PLANNED
REUSABLE
OPTION



NEW GLENN

HEIGHT
270 FEET TALL

DIAMETER
23 FEET

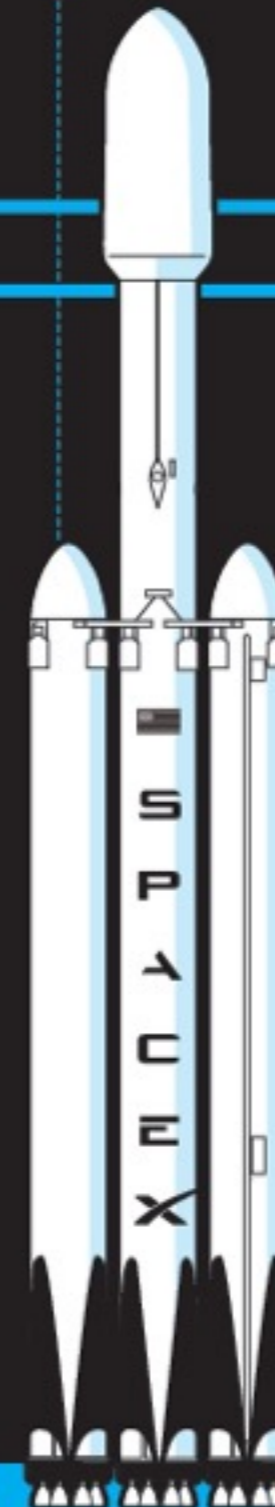
THRUST AT SEA LEVEL
3.85 MILLION
POUNDS

PAYLOAD TO ORBIT
TO BE
DETERMINED

COST
TO BE
DETERMINED

FIRST FLIGHT (EST.)
2020

▼
SPACEX'S
NEXT-
GENERATION
OFFERING



FALCON HEAVY

HEIGHT
229.6 FEET

DIAMETER
FIRST STAGE:
12 FEET
BOOSTERS:
39.9 FEET

THRUST AT SEA LEVEL
5.13 MILLION
POUNDS

PAYLOAD TO ORBIT
119,930 POUNDS

COST
\$95 MILLION
(EST.)

FIRST FLIGHT (EST.)
FIRST HALF
OF 2017

Capex

While the psychological barrier to mining asteroids is high, the actual financial and technological barriers are far lower. Prospecting probes can likely be built for tens of millions of dollars each and Caltech has suggested an asteroid-grabbing spacecraft could cost \$2.6bn. We expect that systems could be built for less than that given trends in the cost of manufacturing spacecraft and improvements in technology. Given the capex of mining operations on Earth, we think that financing a space mission is not outside the realm of possibility.

Regulations

The exploration and extraction of resources from celestial bodies – like minerals found on the Moon – are generally regulated by the Outer Space Treaty of 1967, which limits claims on celestial bodies but allows for resource extraction. In the US, former President Obama signed Commercial Space Launch Competitiveness Act, which opened the door for US companies to explore, extract, and recover space resources.

China develops sea launches to boost space commerce

by Staff Writers

Beijing (XNA) Jul 10, 2017

China has a clear plan to provide sea launches for commercial payloads to be carried by Long March rockets, according to an aerospace official.

Tang Yagang, vice head of the aerospace division of the No.1 institute of the China Aerospace Science and Technology Corporation (CASTC), said that the technology is not difficult and a sea launch platform can be built based on modifying 10,000-tonne freighters.

China will use solid carrier rockets which rely less on launch facilities and feature mature technology, Tang said, adding that key technology for the carrier rockets will be tested at sea this year and the service is expected to be available for international users in 2018.

At that time, Long March launch vehicles will be able to send satellites weighing 500 kilograms to a 500-kilometer-high sun-synchronous orbit with an inclination of zero to ten degrees, Tang said.

Countries in the equator region have growing needs for launching near-equatorial and low-inclination satellites, said Fu Zhiheng, deputy general manager of China Great Wall Industry Corporation, affiliated to the CASTC.

"The closer to the equator we launch a satellite, the less carrying capacity it will lose, and the lower the cost will be," Fu said, adding that space powers are competing to develop near-equatorial sea launches.

Currently, Long March carrier rockets have provided 60 commercial launches for domestic and international users, Fu said.



CHINA AEROSPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION (CASC)

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Will we soon build a VILLAGE on the moon? China is in talks with Europe about launching a lunar settlement

- Tian Yulong, secretary general for China's space agency, confirmed the plans
- ESA has described its 'Moon Village' as a launching pad for missions to Mars
- The lunar site could also support space mining missions and even tourism
- It could also act as a 'pit stop' for the further exploration of deep space

By [DAISY DUNNE FOR MAILONLINE](#) and [ASSOCIATED PRESS](#)

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China is talking with the European Space Agency about collaborating on a human settlement on the moon.

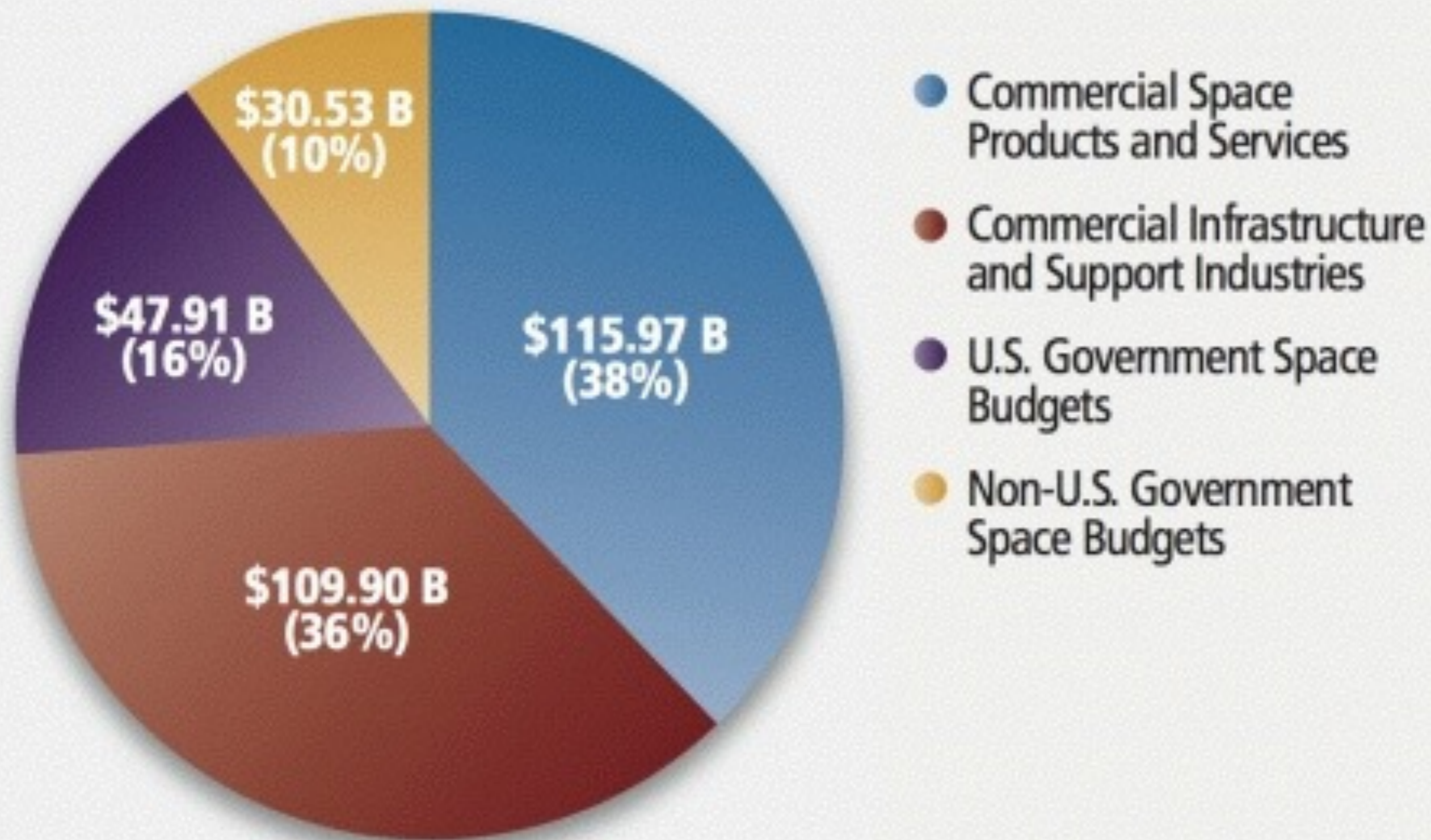
The secretary general for **China's** space agency, Tian Yulong, disclosed the talks today in Chinese state media.

The ESA has previously described its 'Moon Village' as a potential international launching pad for future missions to Mars.⁷¹

Commercial s the future of space.

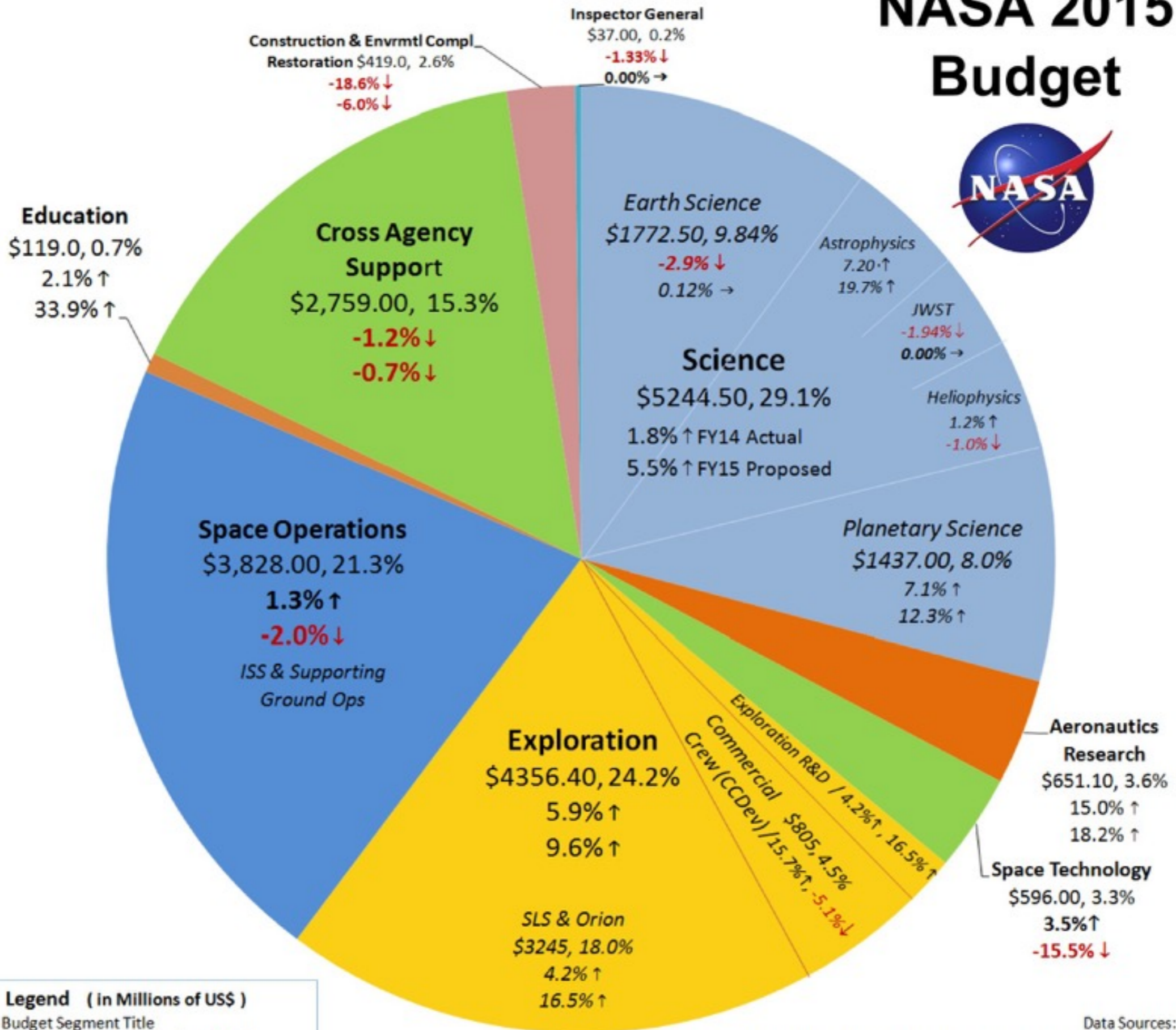
- NASA has invested about \$5 billion over 10 years to create new commercial space industry in the United States.
- Europe and Japan are also actively encouraging the development of private space companies.
- These national investments have already yielded real success at a cost of less than 10% of government programs.

EXHIBIT 1. Global Space Activity, 2012



Total: \$304.31 Billion

NASA 2015 Budget



Legend (in Millions of US\$)
 Budget Segment Title
 2015 Funding Level, % of total 2015
 % change from segment's 2014 Actual
 % change from segment's 2015 Proposed

Data Sources:
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NASA Funding Timeline

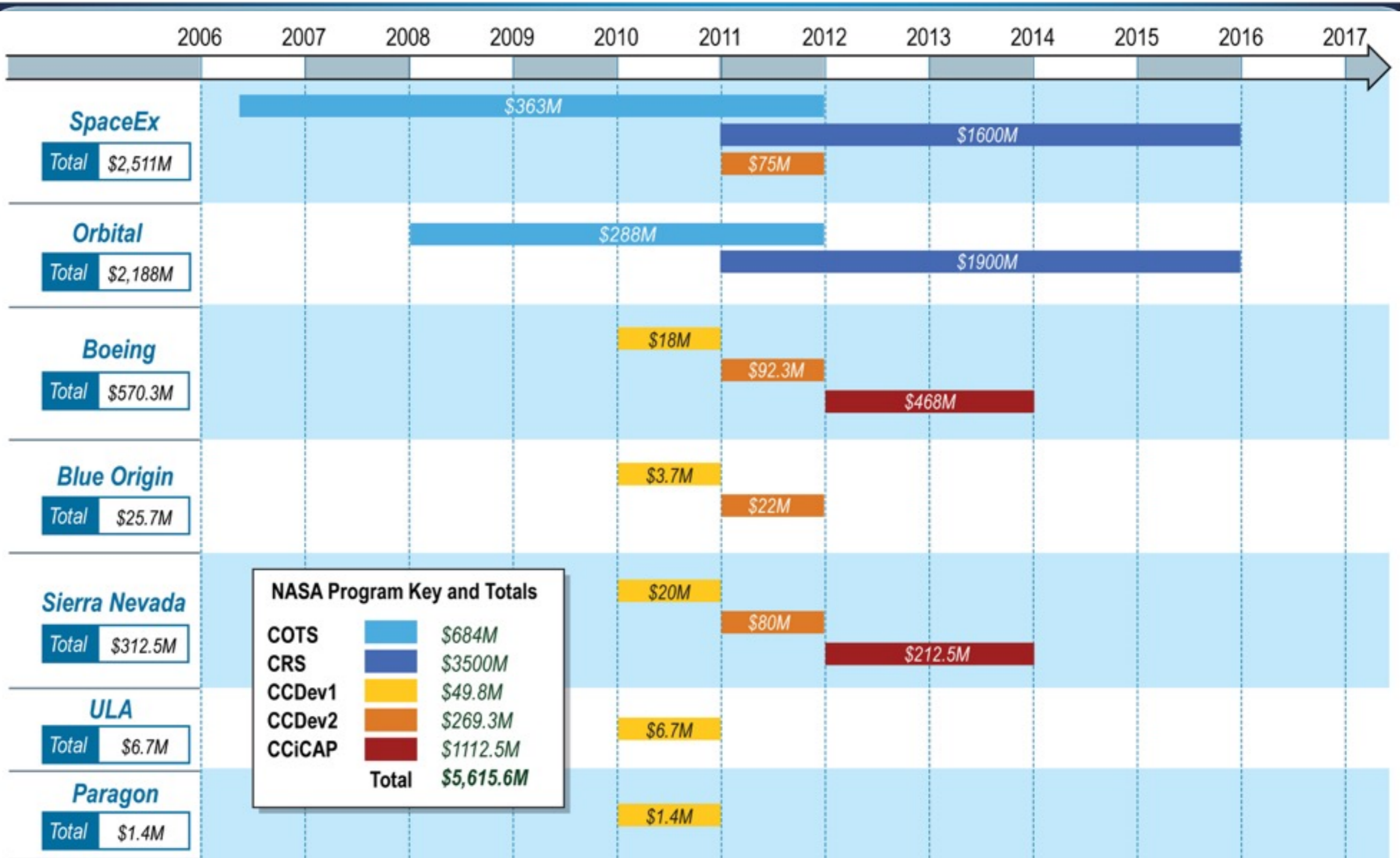


Fig. 4 – NASA Cost Analysis Comparing NASA’s Predicted Cost vs. SpaceX Falcon 9 Actual Costs: >10X Cost Reduction (NASA 2011)

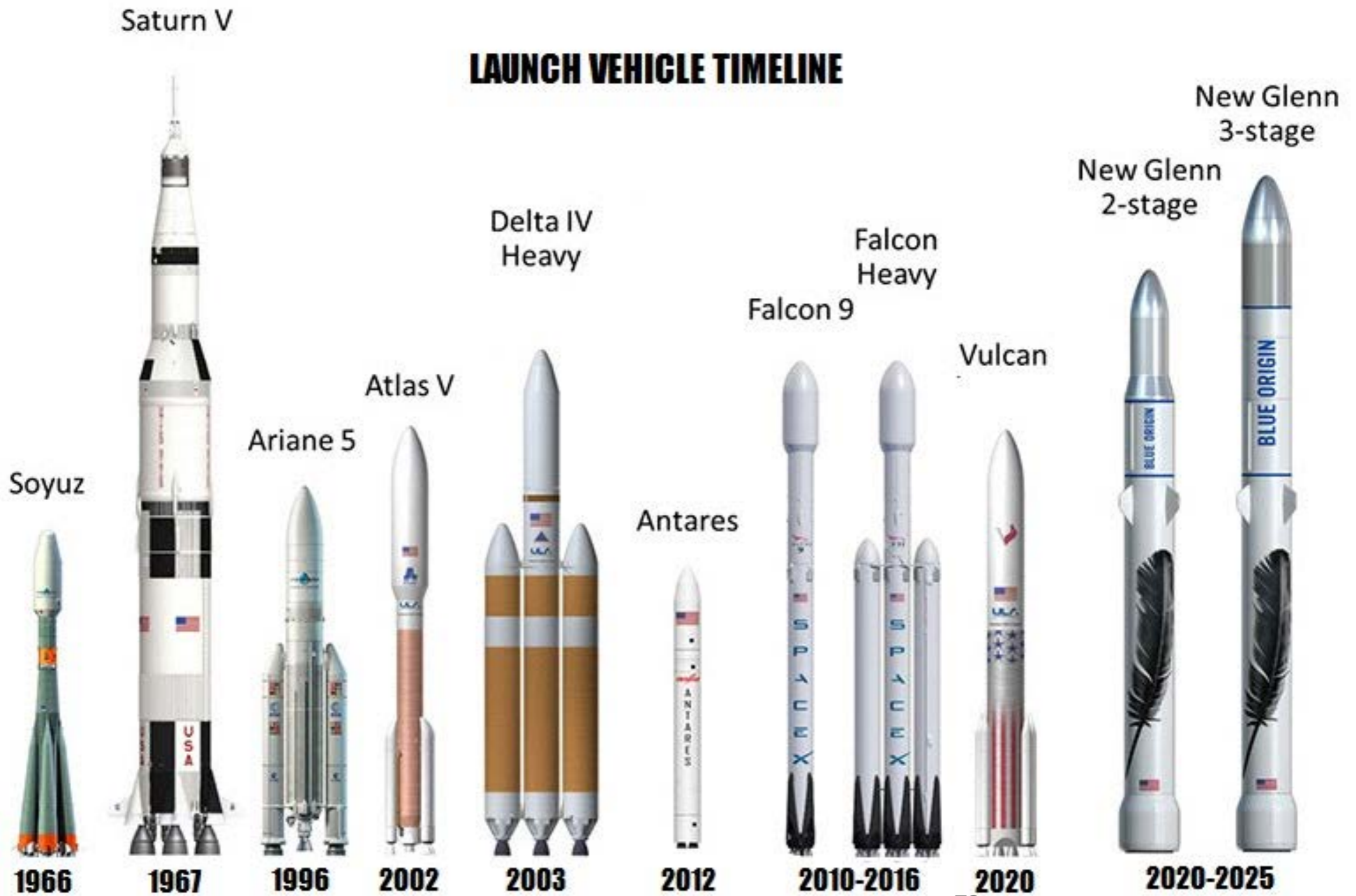
Elements	Weight (lbs)	NASA Model Based Prediction			Weight (lbs)	SpaceX Actual Performance		
		NASA Approach				Firm Fixed Price Acquisition		
		DDT&E (FY2010 \$M)	Flight Unit (FY2010 \$M)	Total (FY2010 \$M)		DDT&E (FY2010 \$M)	2 Test Flt Units (FY2010 \$M)	Total (FY2010 \$M)
Stage One (Including Engines)	39,080	\$1,535	\$206	\$1,741	39,080	\$188.7	\$109.3	\$298.0
Stage Two (Including Engine)	6,520	\$608	\$44	\$651	6,506	\$89.0	\$23.6	\$112.6
Fee (12.5%)		\$268	\$30	\$298		\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Program Support (10%)		\$241	\$21	\$263		\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Contingency (30% Vehicle, 10% Engine))		\$674	\$68	\$741		\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0
Vehicle Level Integration (8%)		\$258	\$24	\$282		\$22.2	\$10.6	\$32.8
Total	45,600	\$3,584	\$393	\$3,977	45,586	\$299.9	\$143.6	\$443.4

>10X Cost Reduction

This modest investment in commercial space industry has produced operational systems faster and cheaper than government programs.

- Falcon 9 and Dragon
- Antares and Cygnus

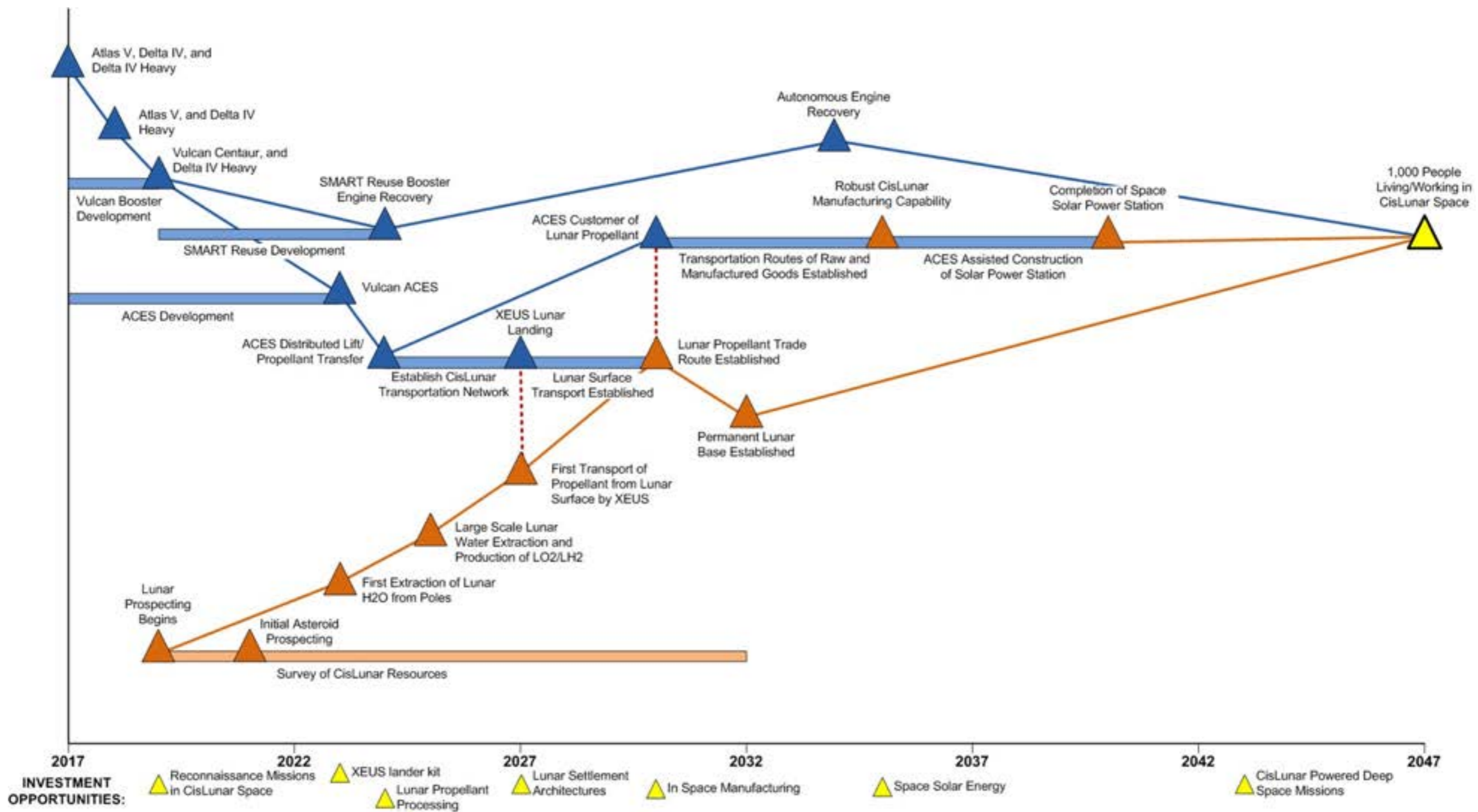
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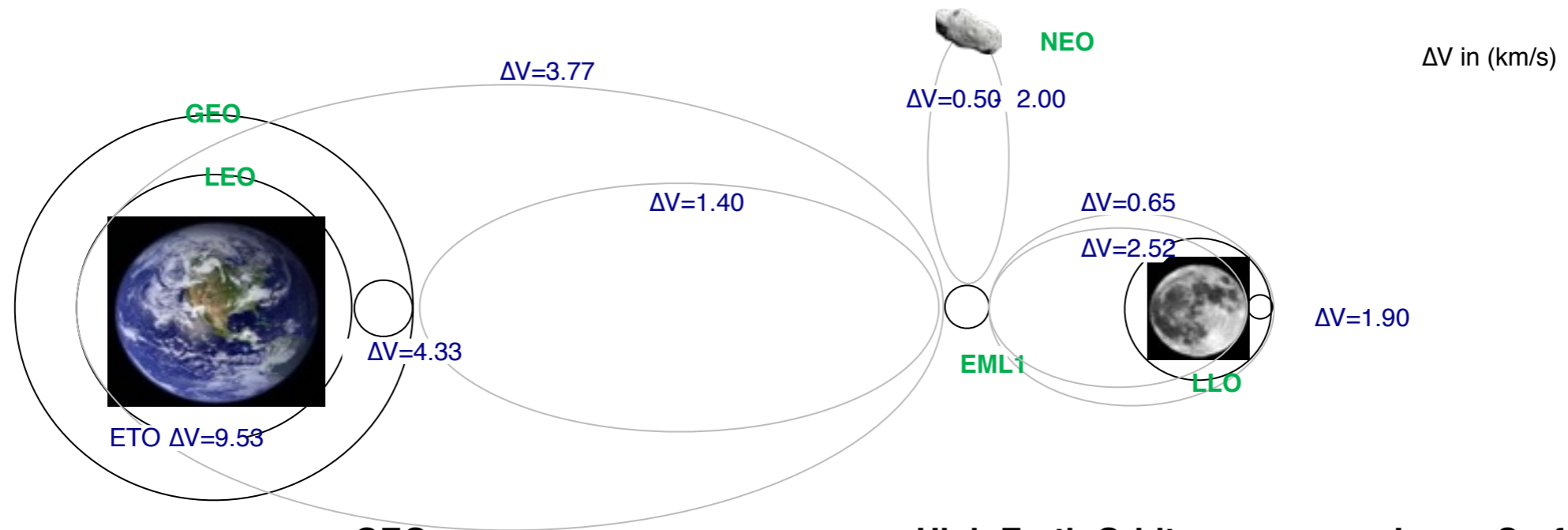


It's hard to make predictions

Especially about the future

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0qo78R_yYFA





LEO

- ISS
- Remote Sensing
- Commercial Station
- Communication
- Space Control
- Debris mitigation
- Science
- R&D
- Tourism
- Manufacturing
- Propellant Transfer
- Data Servers

GEO

- Observation
- Communication
- Space Control
- Debris Mitigation
- Space Solar Power
- Repair Station
- Satellite Life extension
- Harvesting

High Earth Orbit

- Science / Astronomy
- Communication Link
- Way Station
- Propellant Depots
- Repair Station
- Lunar Solar Power Sat
- Manufacturing
- Planetary Defense

Lunar Surface

- Science/ Astronomy
- Lunar
- Observatory
- Human Outpost
- Tourism
- Mining
- Oxygen/Water
- Regolith
- Rare Earth Elements
- HE3
- Manufacturing
- Propellant Depots

ULA | Road Map to the CisLunar-1000 Economy

Part 1: TODAY



GROSS SPACE PRODUCT \$330B/YR

POPULATION x5



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Part 2: 5 YEARS



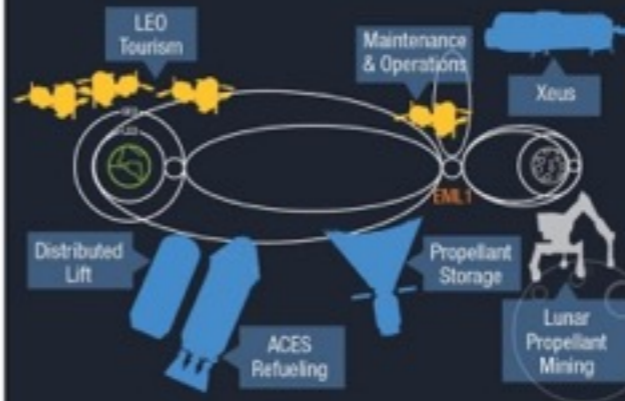
GROSS SPACE PRODUCT \$500B/YR

POPULATION x20



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Part 3: 15 YEARS



GROSS SPACE PRODUCT \$900B/YR

POPULATION x300



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Part 4: 30 YEARS



GROSS SPACE PRODUCT \$2.7T/YR

POPULATION x 1,000



Investment in new space companies by members of the Forbes Billionaire list is becoming increasingly fashionable. The list of six space-investing Billionaires (as counted by Forbes) in 2011 [Messier, 2011] has grown to ten in 2013 with a combined net worth of over \$106 Billion Dollars as shown in the table below. Compare that to the estimated 2013 NASA budget of \$17.8 Billion US Dollars.

rank	name	age	net worth	source	space investment
19	Jeff Bezos	49	\$25.20	Amazon	Blue Origin
21	Sergey Brin	40	\$22.80	Google	Google Lunar X Prize
20	Larry Page	40	\$23.00	Google	Google Lunar X Prize, Planetary Resources
53	Paul Allen	60	\$15.00	Microsoft	SpaceShipOne, SETI telescope array
138	Eric Schmidt	58	\$8.20	Google	Planetary Resources
272	Sir Richard Branson	63	\$4.60	Virgin Group	Virgin Galactic
527	Elon Musk	42	\$2.70	PayPal, Tesla Motors	SpaceX
831	Guy Laliberte	53	\$1.80	Cirque du Soleil	Visitor to ISS
922	K Ram Shriram	56	\$1.65	Google	Planetary Resources
1031	Ross Perot, Jr.	54	\$1.40	Oil & Gas	Planetary Resources
			\$106.35	Total Net Worth	

“If one can figure out how to effectively reuse rockets just like airplanes, the cost of access to space will be reduced by as much as a factor of a hundred. A fully reusable vehicle has never been done before. That really is the fundamental breakthrough needed to revolutionize access to space.”

--Elon Musk

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gIEvogjdEVY>⁸⁴



SpaceX Elon Musk



Total Star Wars
fan...



Blue Origin Jeff Bezos



Book Worm

Stratolaunch Systems Paul Allen



Programming Nerd

While not listed as billionaires (yet) by Forbes, the list of high net-worth individuals investing in space also includes Robert Bigelow (Bigelow Aerospace), Charles Simonyi (Planetary Resources), Richard Garriott (Visitor to ISS), Mark Shuttleworth (Visitor to ISS), Anousheh Ansari (X-Prize), Dennis Tito (Inspiration Mars), Bas Lansdorp (Mars One), Naveen Jain (Moon Express), Barney Pell (Moon Express), Tom Pickens (SpaceHab) and John Carmack (Armadillo Aerospace). The cumulative wealth of private space investors continues to grow.

THE SPACE ECONOMY: A MODERN DAY GOLD RUSH

Asteroid Mining Will Create A Trillion-Dollar Industry

As our **population grows** we need to find a **sustainable supply of natural resources** to fuel exploration in space and prosperity on Earth.



PLATINUM-RICH ASTEROID

Could contain more Platinum Group Metals than what's been mined on Earth in all of history

MORE ASTEROIDS DISCOVERED NEAR EARTH EVERYDAY



NEAR-INFINITE SUPPLY OF PRECIOUS RESOURCES

WATER-RICH ASTEROID

One water-rich asteroid could produce enough fuel for every rocket launched in history.

USES OF WATER IN SPACE

- ROCKET FUEL
- BREATHABLE AIR
- DRINKABLE WATER

ONE SINGLE 500M water-rich asteroid

\$5 trillion would produce over \$5 trillion worth of water for use in space.

It currently costs \$30,000 to send a liter of water from Earth to Deep Space.

USES OF PLATINUM GROUP METALS ON EARTH

REDUCE COST OF ELECTRONICS



ELECTRIFY TRANSPORTATION



DRIVE INNOVATION, AND CREATE A GREENER EARTH



ONE SINGLE 500M platinum-rich asteroid

At current market prices, one ounce of platinum is valued over \$1,500

Worth \$2.9 Trillion

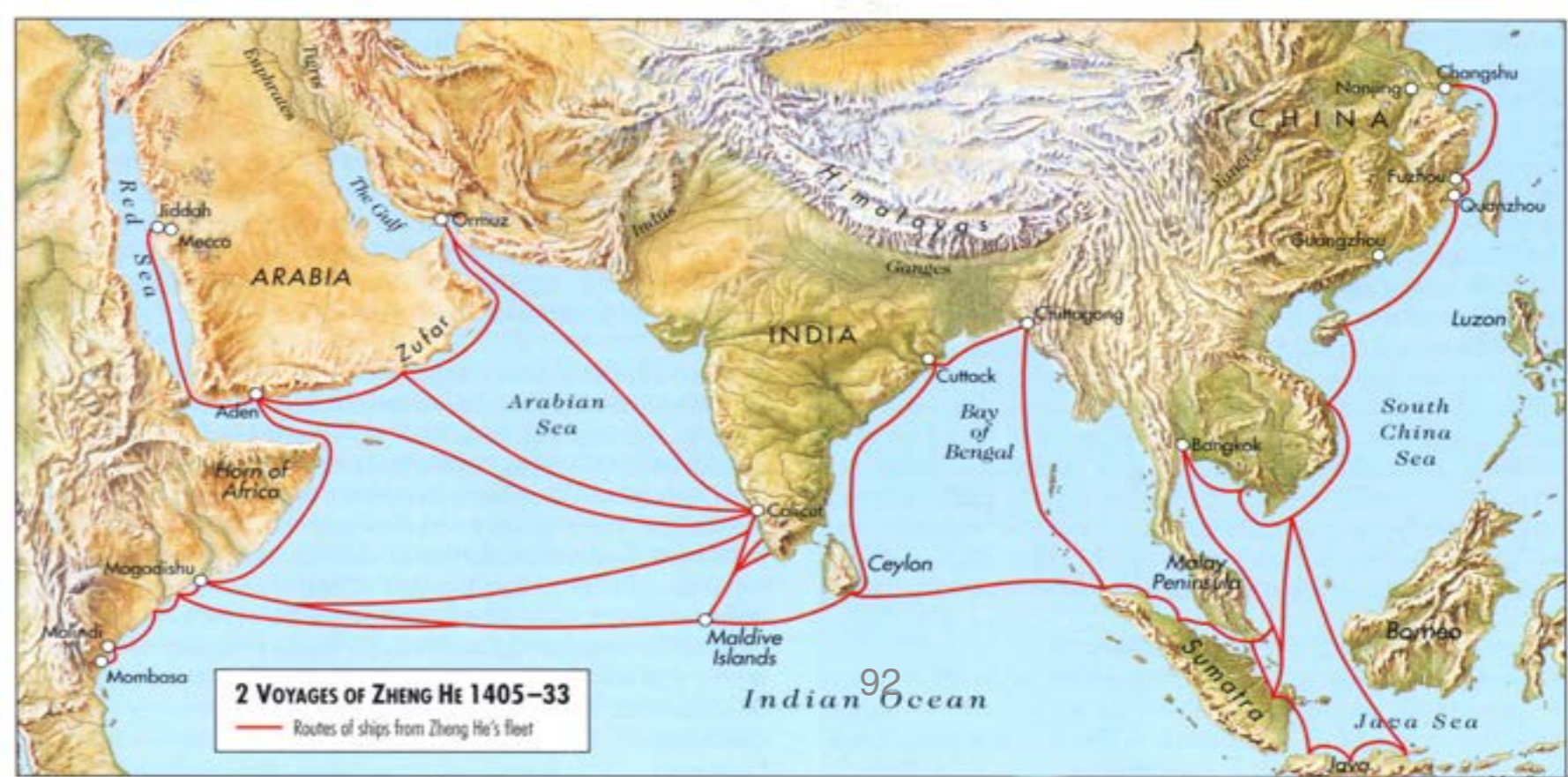
174 times more than the yearly world output of platinum

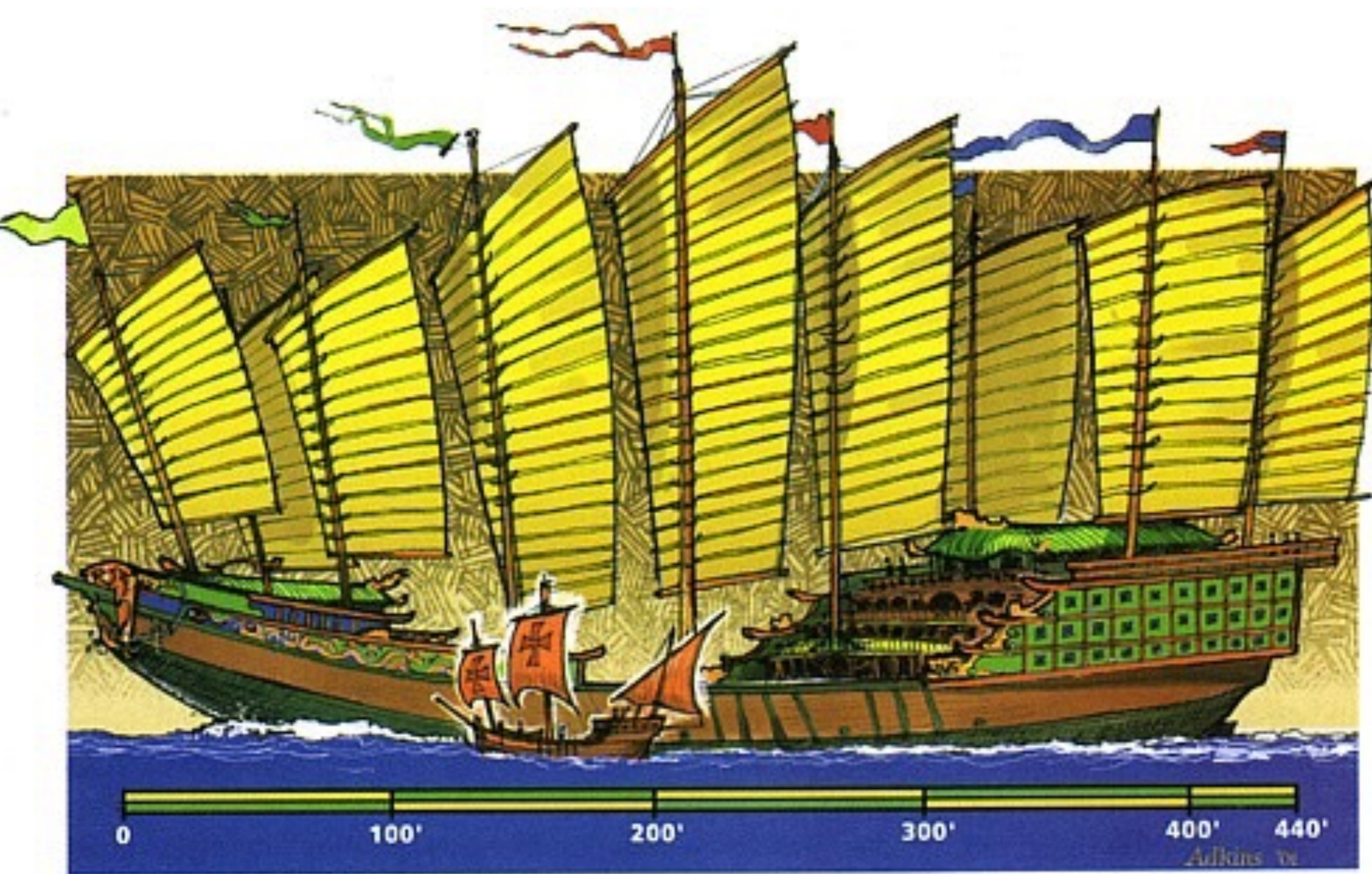
More than the known world-reserves of PGMs

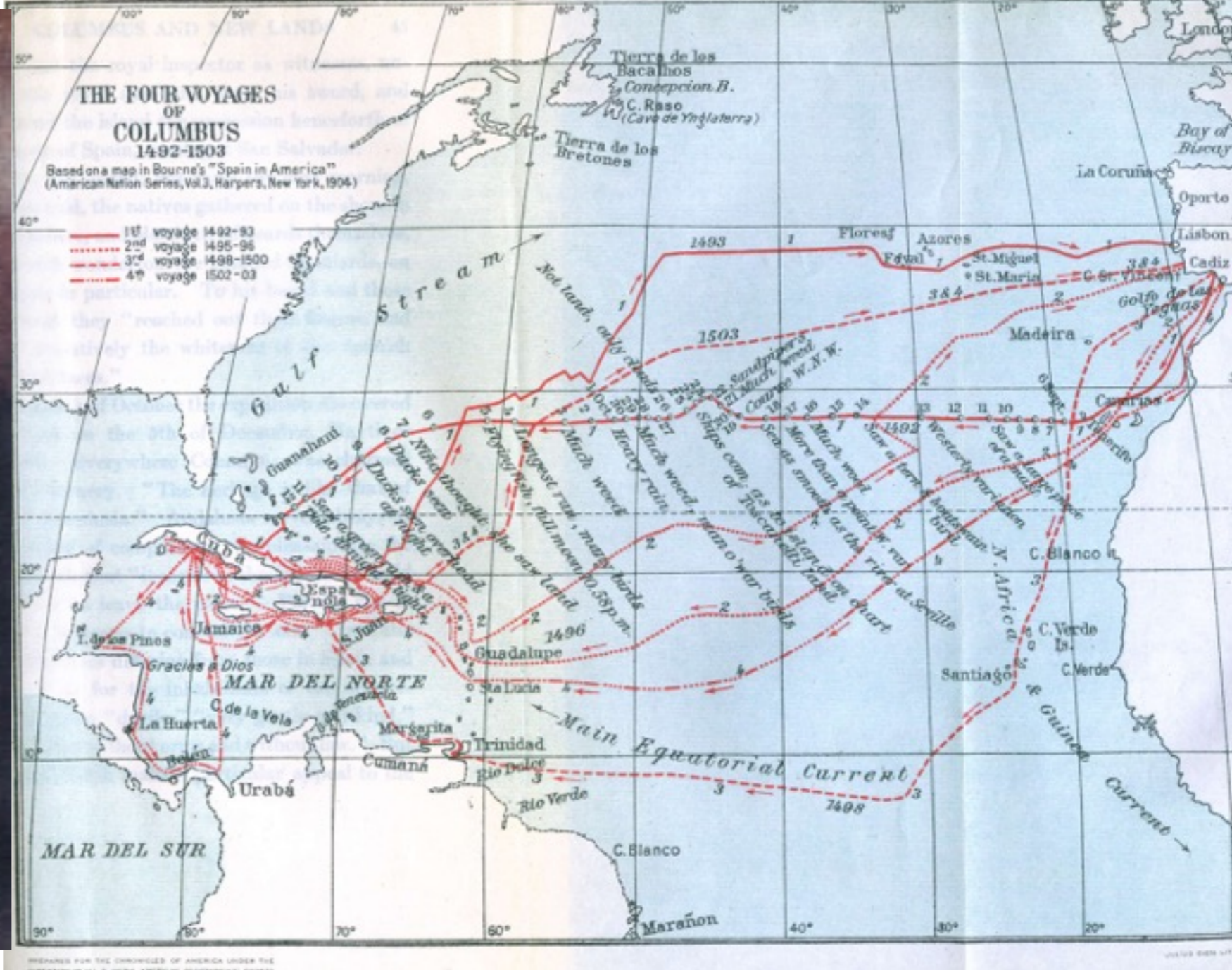
Asteroid mining will open a trillion-dollar industry and provide a **near-infinite supply** of Platinum Group Metals and water to **support our growth** both on this planet and off.

We would be wise to
remember history; the
last time we settled a
new world.

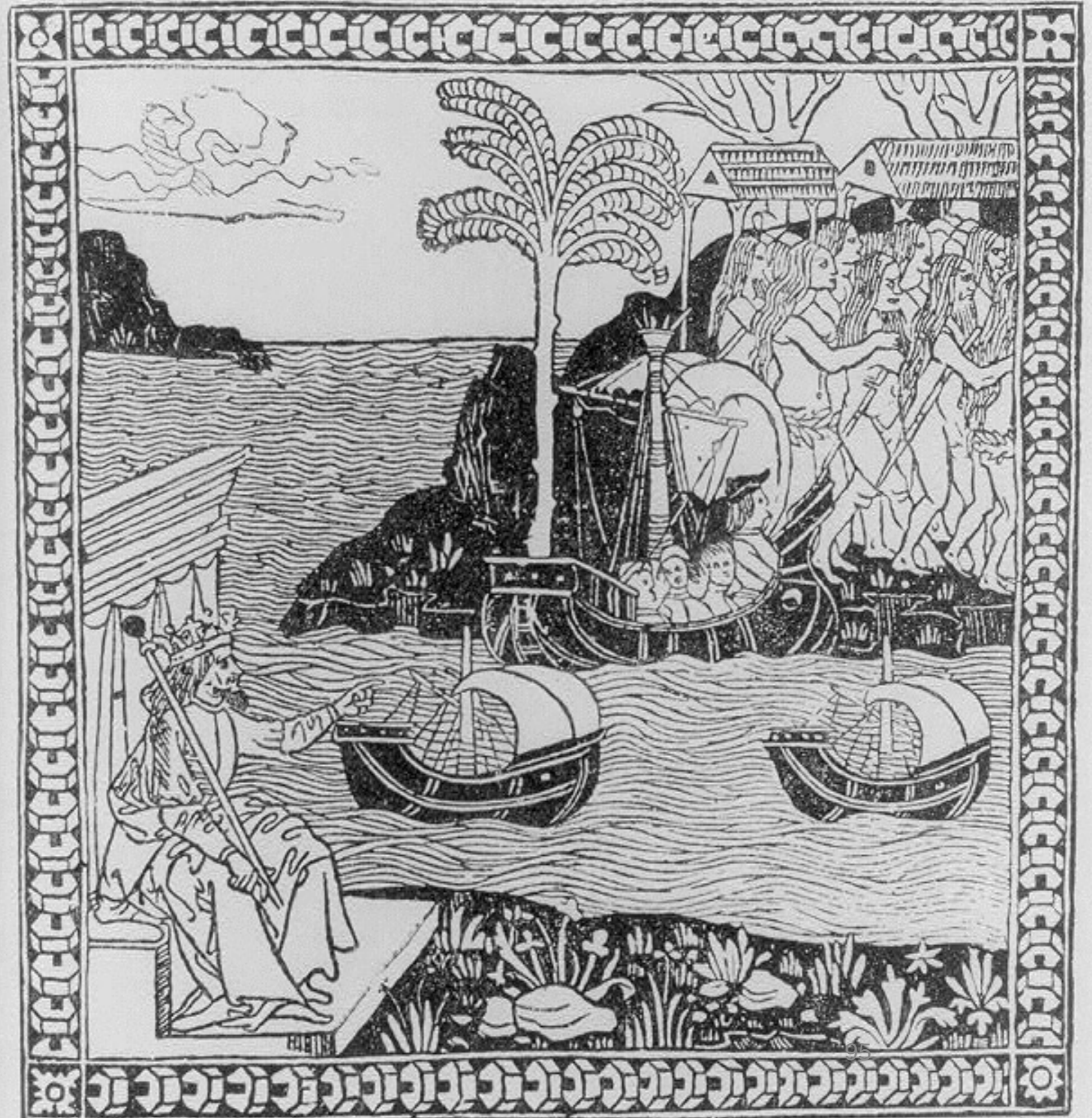
1421 - 1520







Columbus was an entrepreneur seeking to find a way to Asia to buy spices to sell to Europe. He was not an explorer seeking new lands. He thought he had been to Japan.

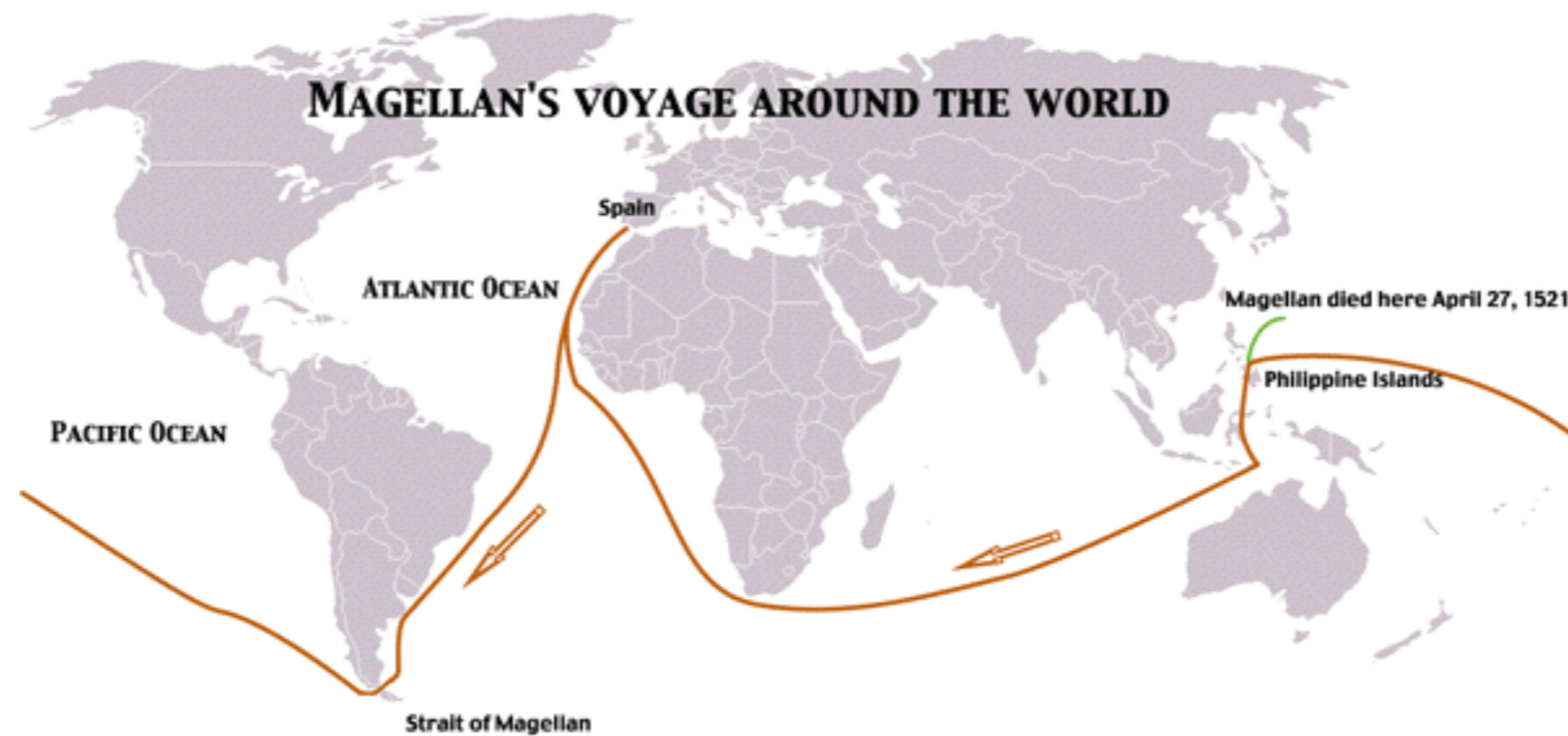


Business contact between the King of Spain and Columbus, April 17, 1492

"That of all and every kind of merchandise, whether pearls, precious stones, gold, silver, spices, and other objects and merchandise whatsoever, of whatever kind, name and sort, which may be bought, bartered, discovered, acquired and obtained within the limits of the said Admiralty, Your Highnesses grant from now henceforth to the said Don Cristóbal [Christopher Columbus] ... the tenth part of the whole, after deducting all the expenses which may be incurred therein."

Following Columbus' discovery, Pope Alexander VI issued a May 4, 1493, papal bull granting official ownership of the New World to Ferdinand and Isabella. To these monarchs, the Pope declared:

"We of our own motion, and not at The solicitation, do give, concede, and assign for ever to you and your successors, all the islands, and main lands, discovered; and which may hereafter, be discovered, towards the west and south; whether they be situated towards India, or towards any other part whatsoever, and give you absolute power in them."



On March 22, 1518, King Charles approved Magellan's plan. Under the contract, Magellan and Faleiro, as joint captains-general, would receive one-twentieth of all profits and they and their heirs would gain the government of any lands discovered

18 members of the crew and one ship of the fleet returned to Spain in 1522, having circumnavigated the globe.

The expedition made a profit.

Summary

Zheng He (1405 - 1433)

48 to 317 ships

28,000 crew

Nonprofit government program.

Columbus (1492)

3 ships

90 crew

Commercial program. Success.

Magellan (1521)

5 ships

265 crew

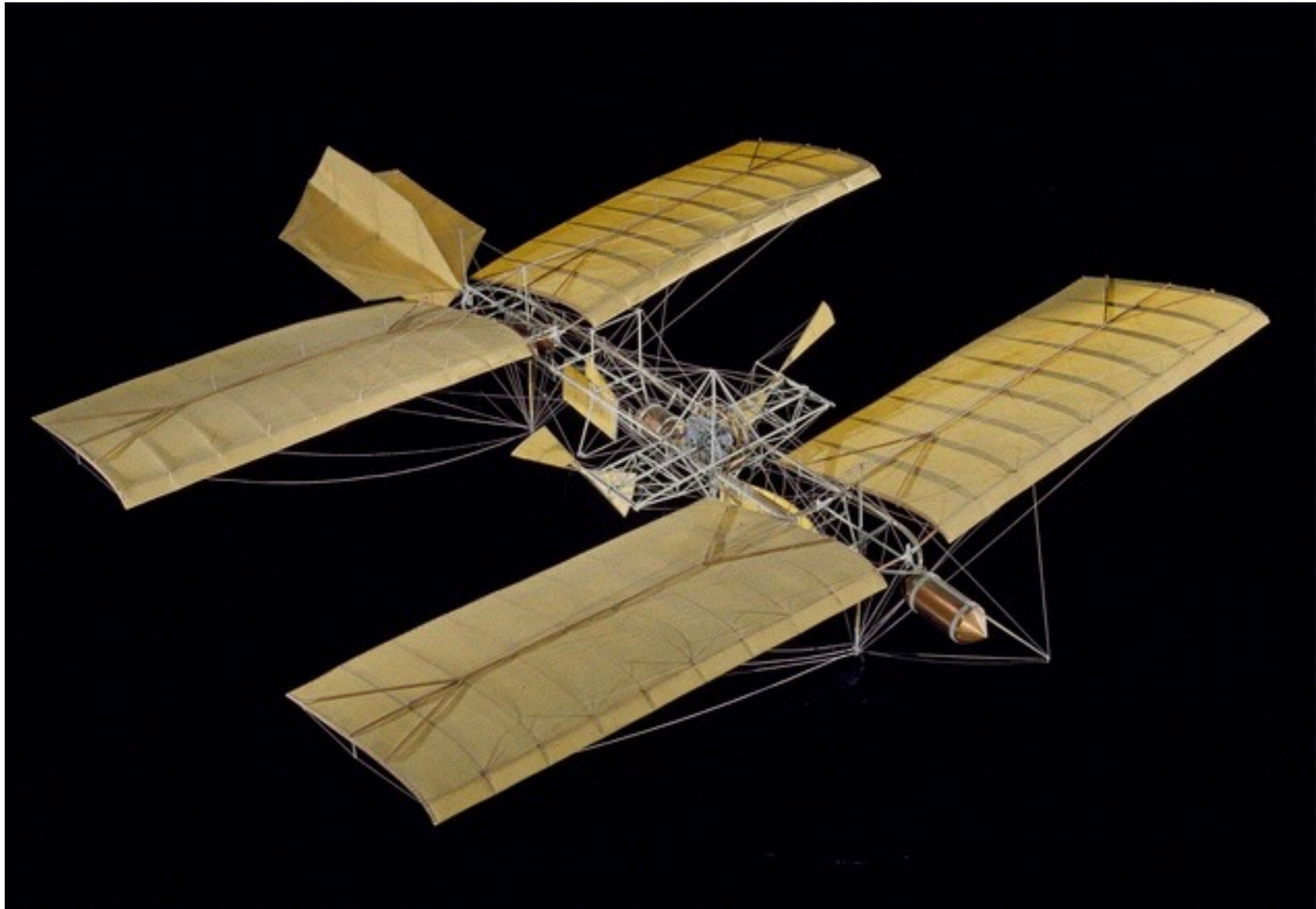
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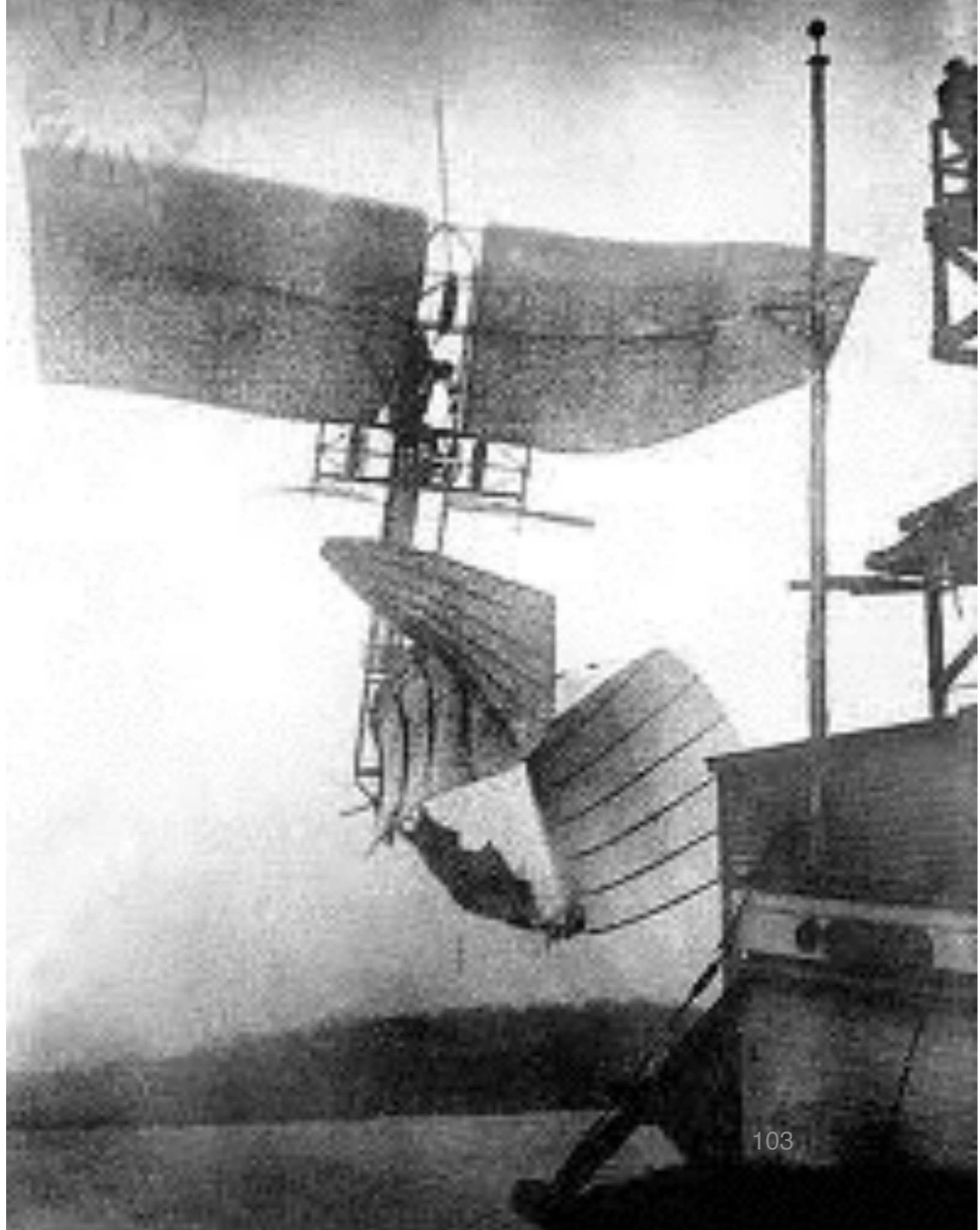
The invention of aircraft

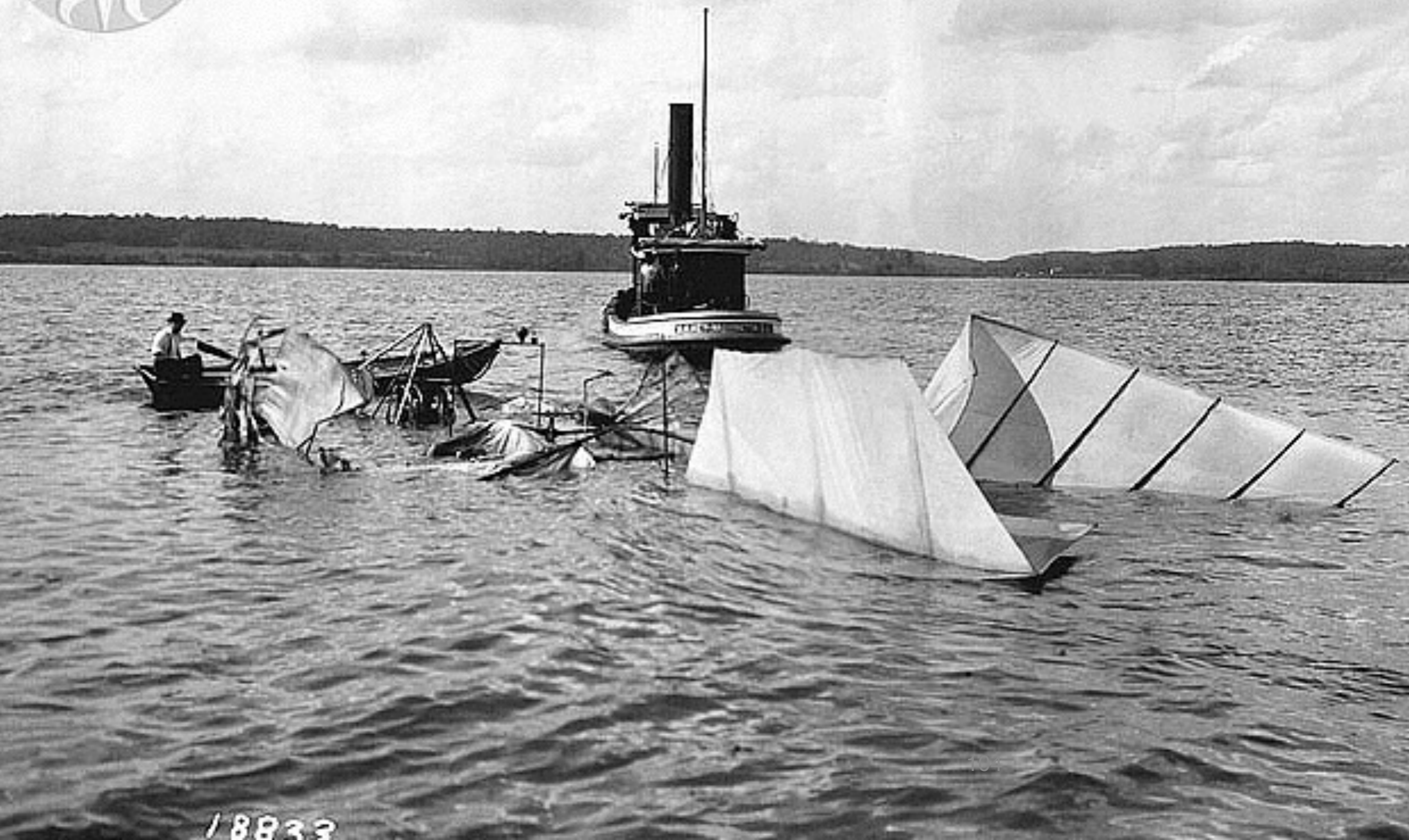
1900 - 1903

Became a trillion dollar world
industry in one century

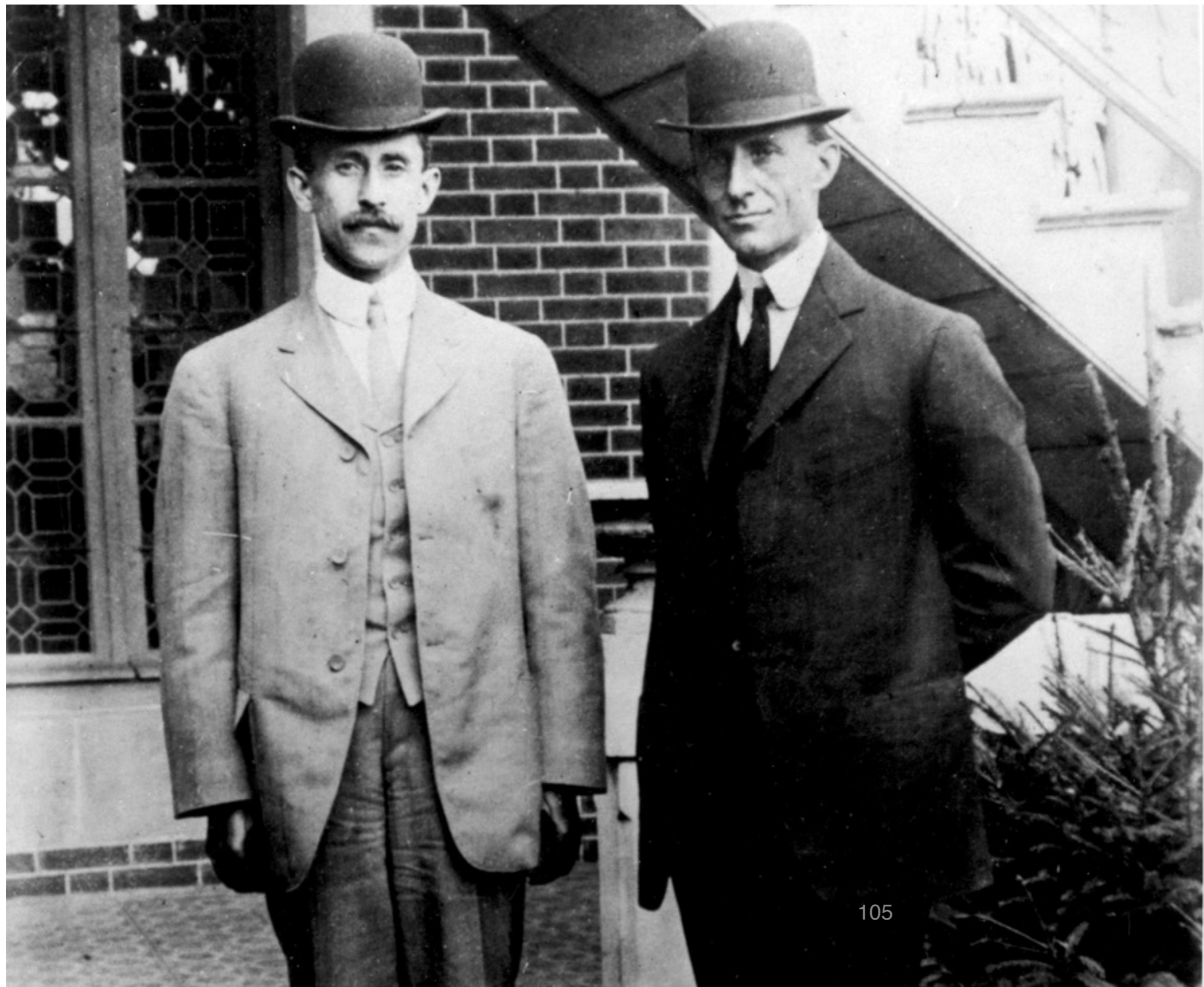








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Where are we now?

&

What could we do with
space resources?

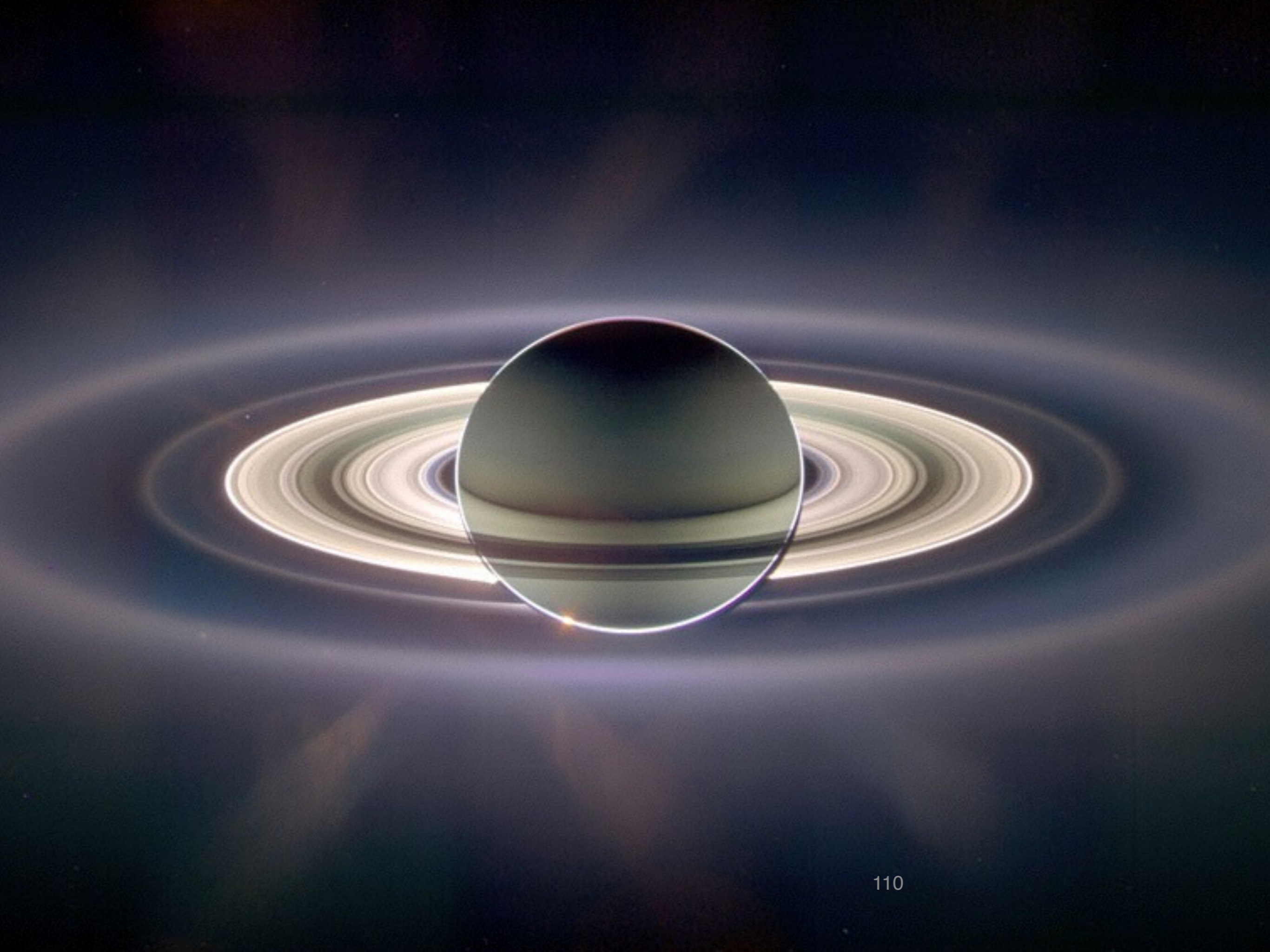
What is possible?

Any sufficiently advanced technology is
indistinguishable from magic.

Arthur C. Clarke

One man's 'magic' is another man's engineering.
'Supernatural' is a null word.

Robert A. Heinlein







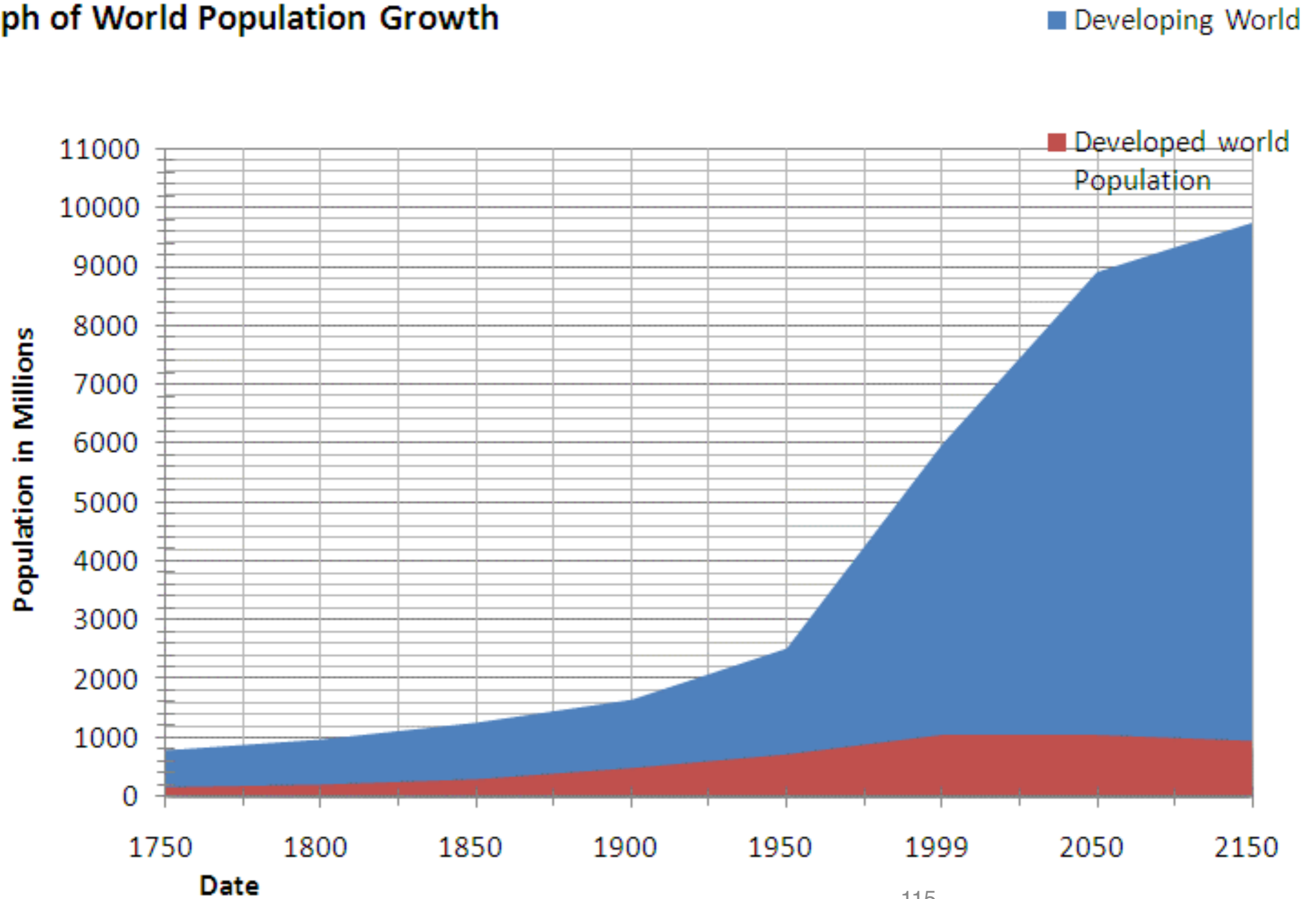
Where do you want your grandchildren to be at the end of this century?



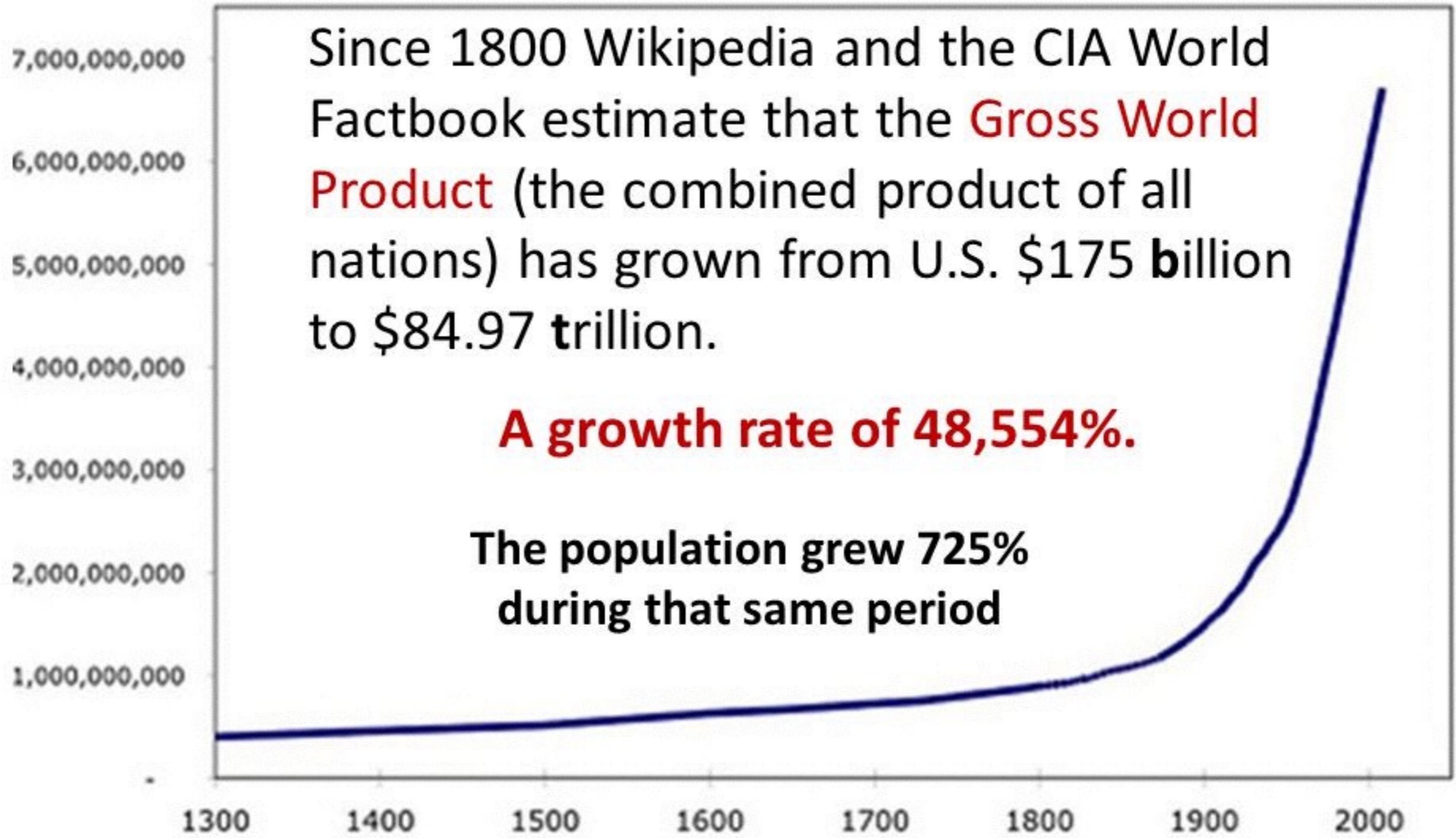


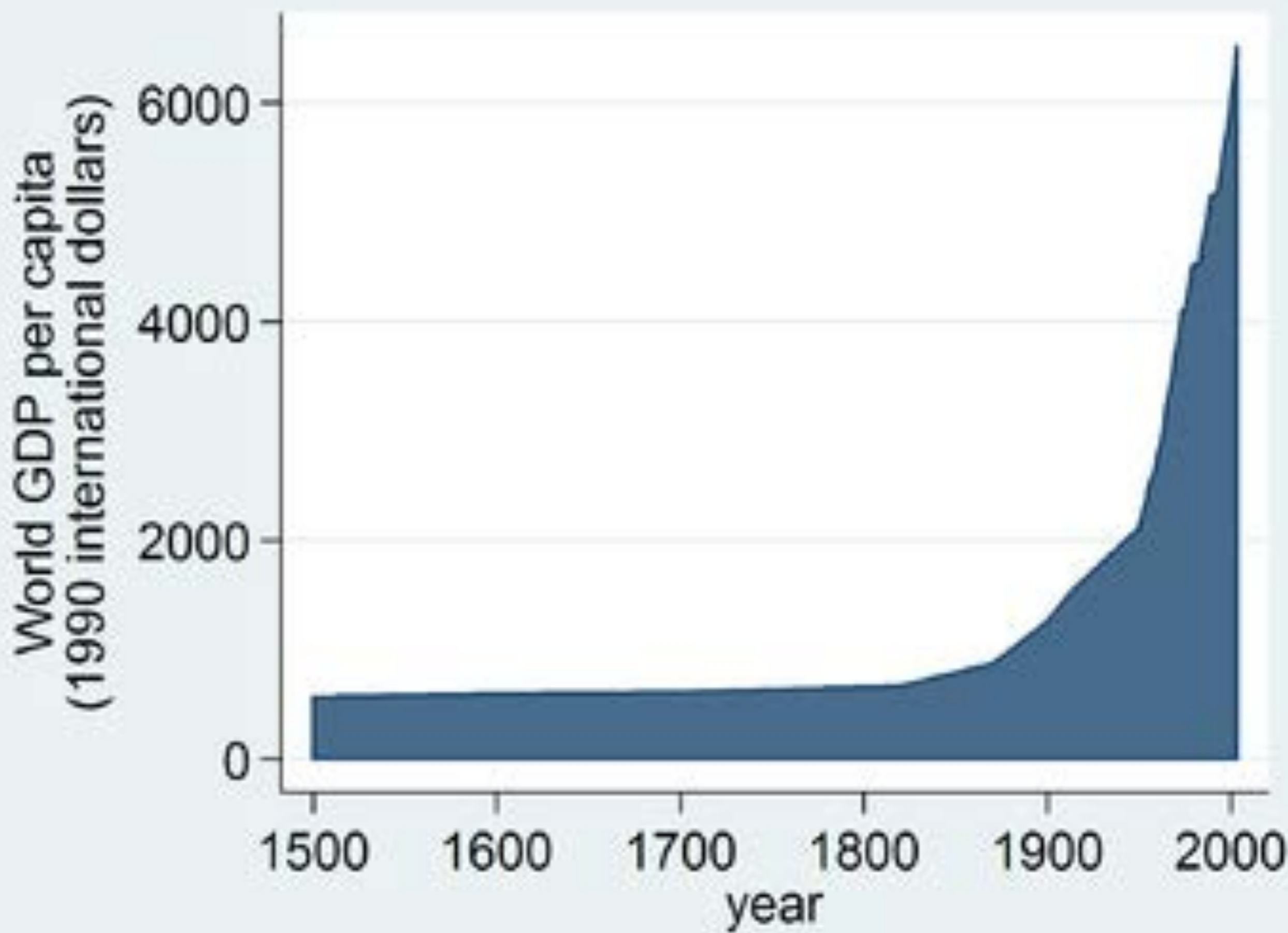
Why?

A Graph of World Population Growth



World Population





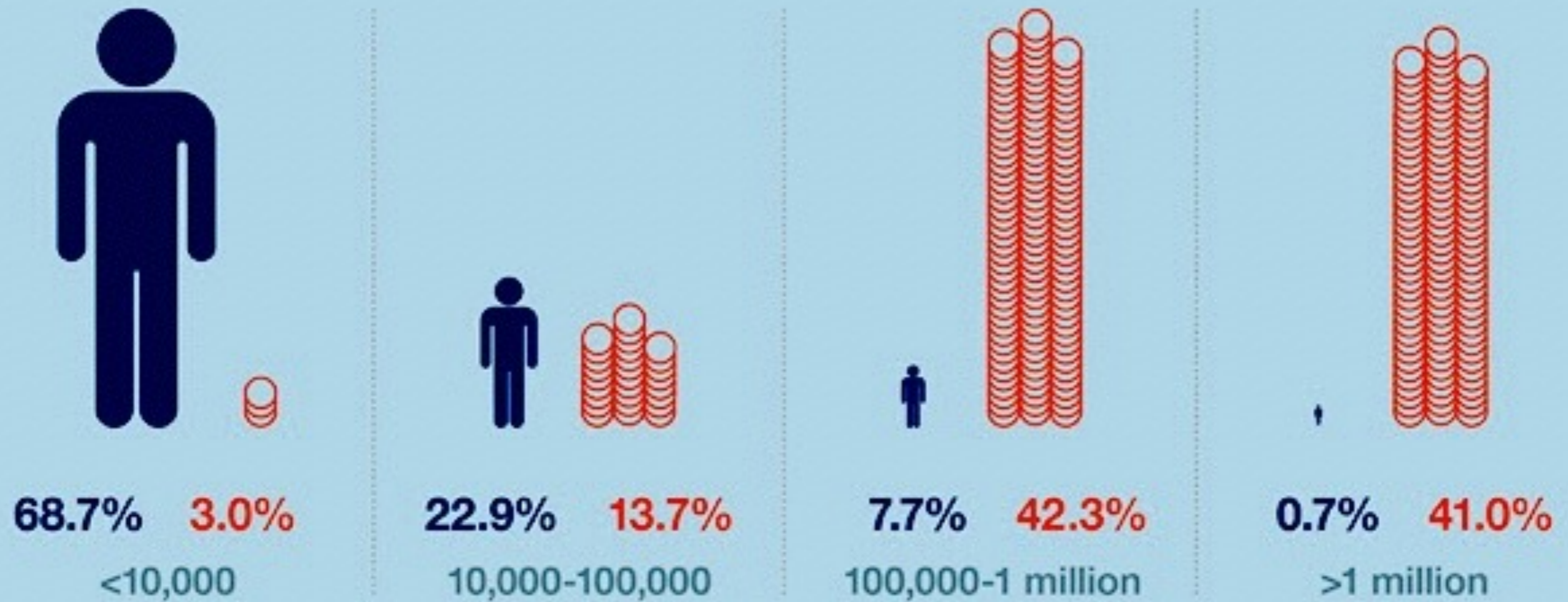
How is the **world's wealth** shared amongst its population?



% of the world's population

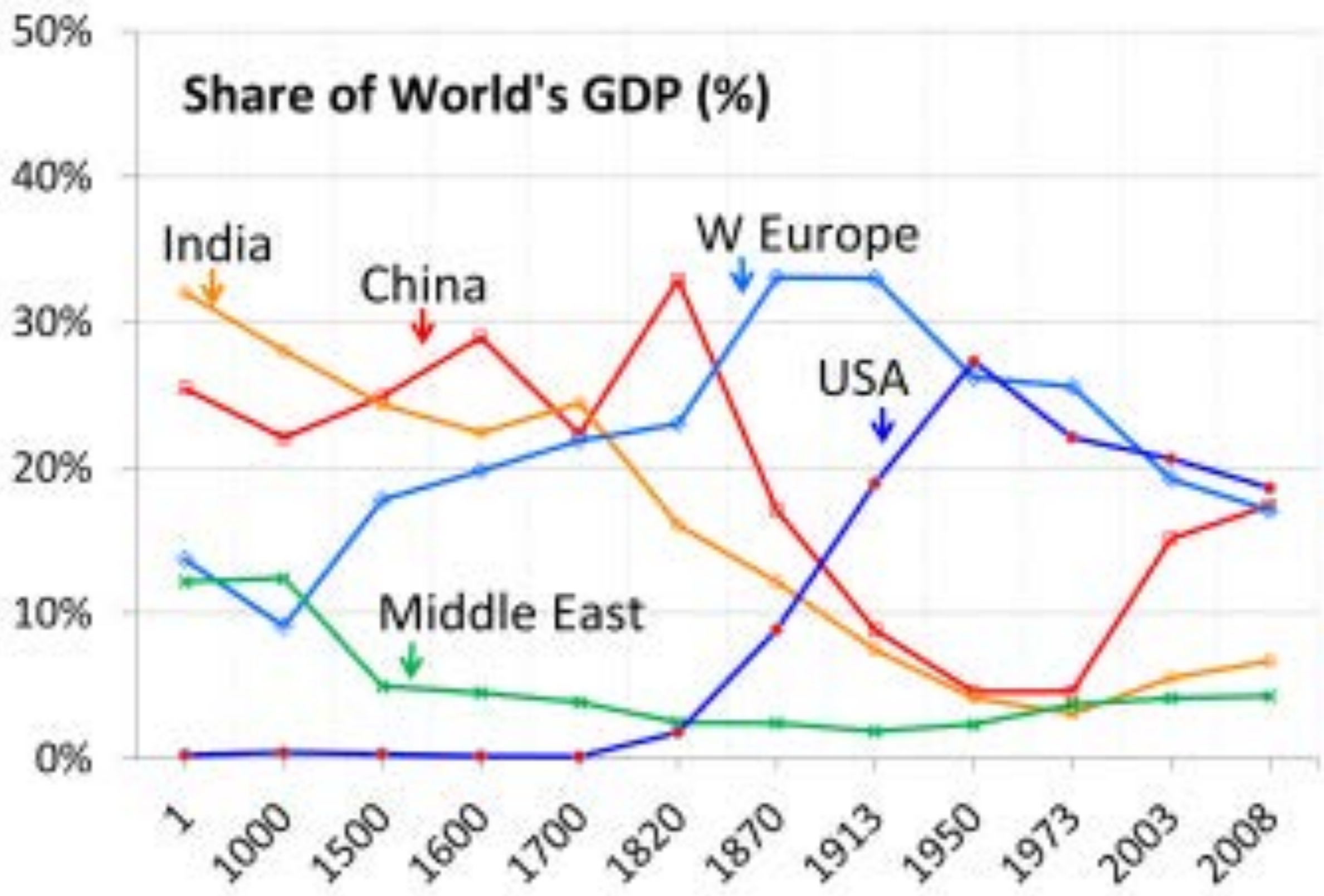


% of the world's wealth



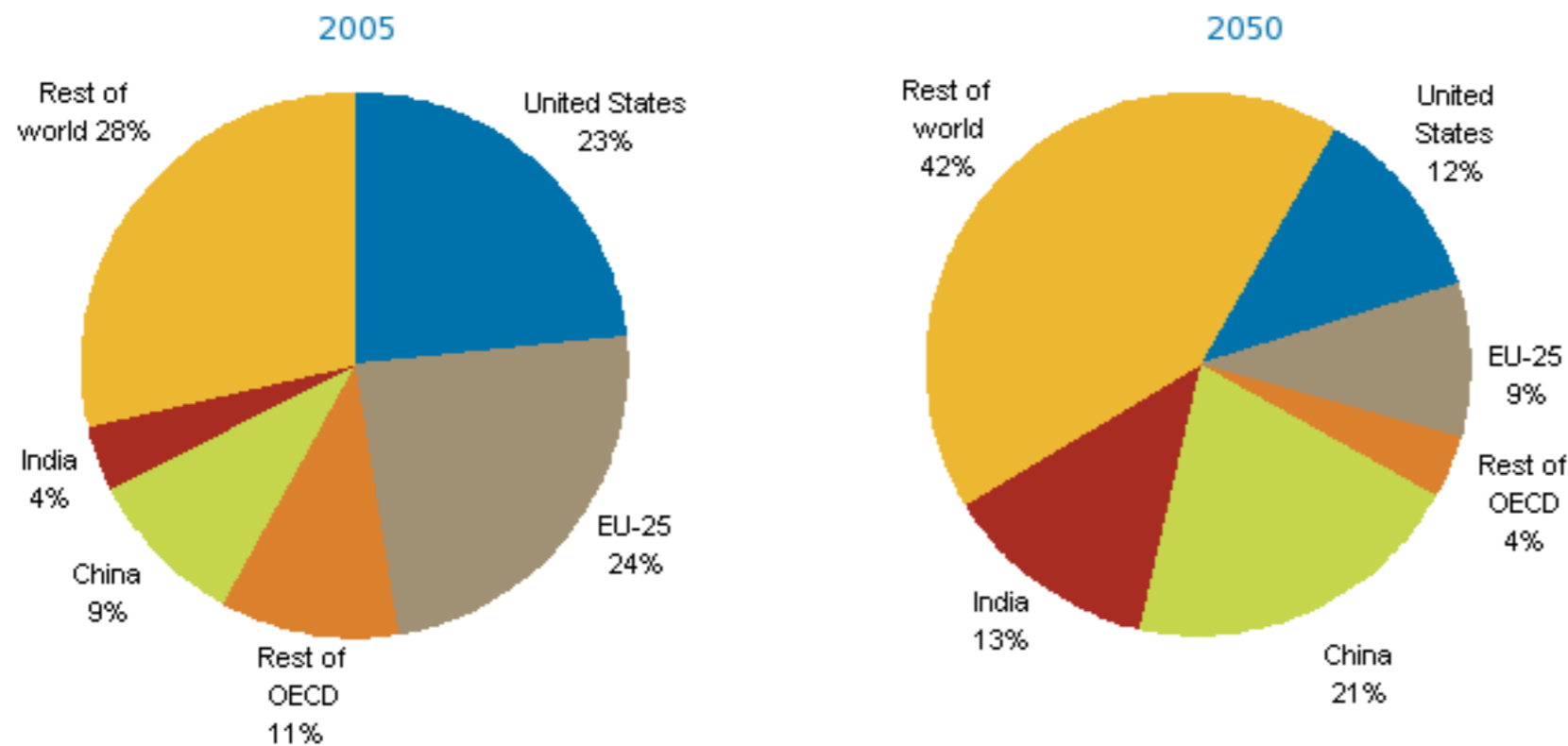
"Wealth" is defined as the marketable value of financial assets plus non-financial assets (principally housing and land) owned by an adult, less debts
Source: Global Wealth Report 2013, Zurich: Crédit Suisse

Wealth (USD)



By 2021, China overtakes the United States as the world's largest economy; in 2083, India overtakes China, largely due to higher population growth. India's GDP reaches nearly US\$34 trillion by 2050. By 2050, China, India and other currently developing economies comprise over 67 per cent of global GWP (Chart 3.11).

Chart 3.11: Distribution of gross world product



Source: Treasury projections.

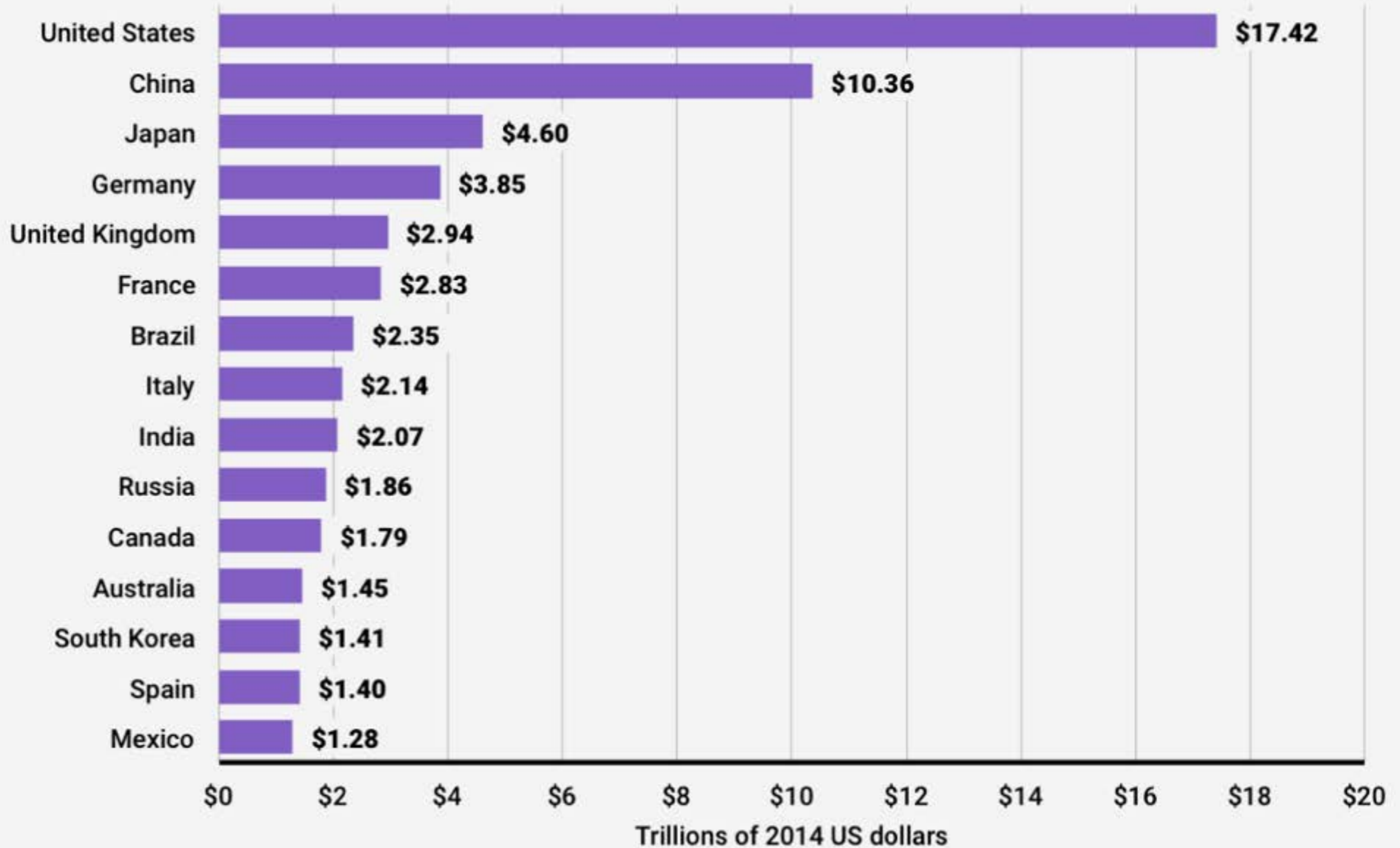
3.1.3 Sectoral analysis

As developing economies' living standards improve, the composition of their economies is expected to adjust. The share of GDP being derived from the services sectors will shift as more luxury goods appear in developing economies. This generally lowers the emission intensity of output, as the services sector is relatively low in emissions.






However, other trends push in the other direction. Adjustments occur in the types of goods in demand within sectors. For example, meat consumption, which is relatively more emission intensive, is expected to increase, while grain consumption is expected to fall in relative terms.

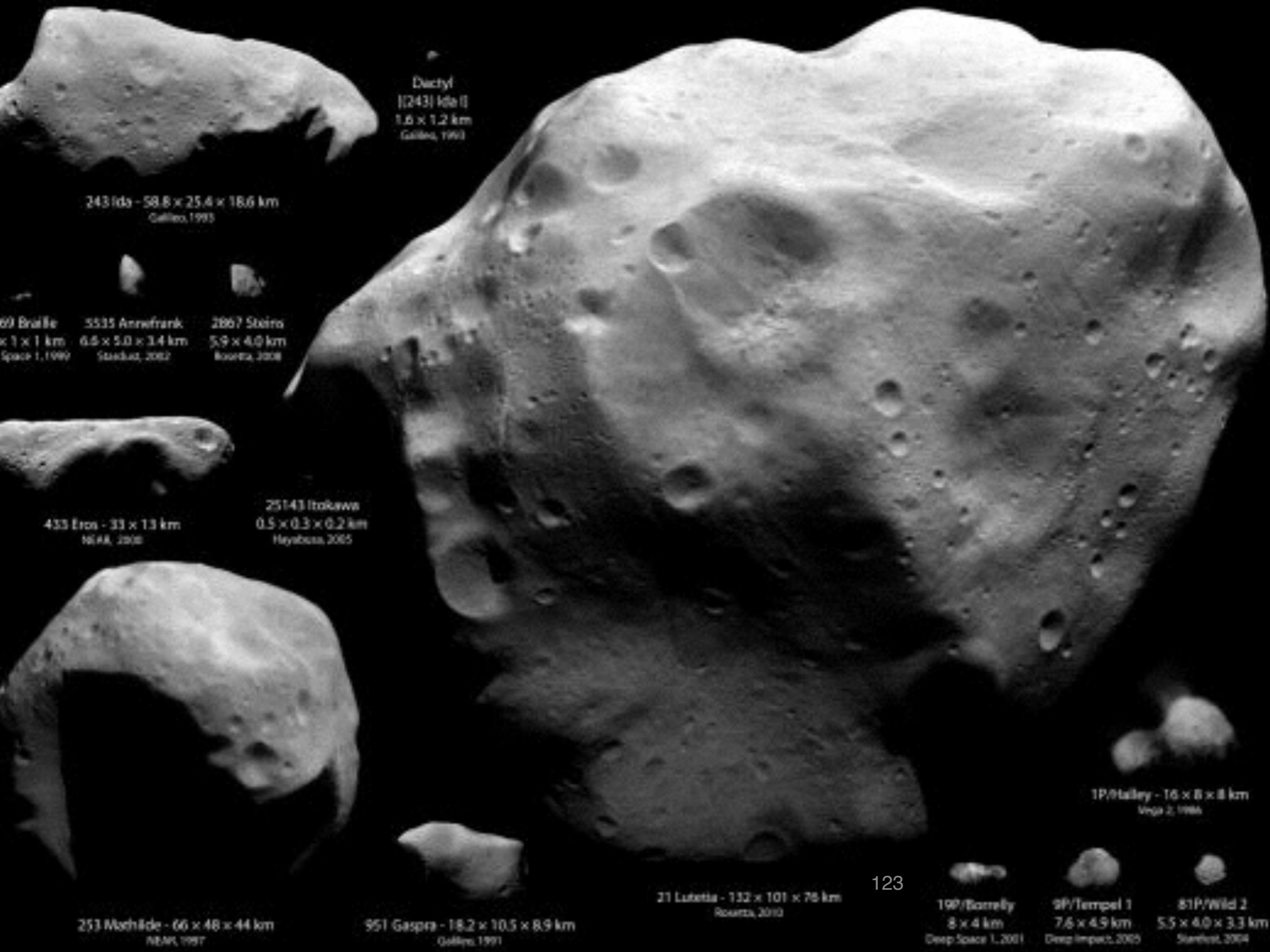
Developed economies continue the trend towards an increased share of the service sector (Chart 3.12). The United States service sector increases from around 63 per cent of total output in 2005 to over 68 per cent in 2050. At the same time, the share of other sectors such as manufacturing declines. A similar pattern occurs in developing regions, where the share of the service sector increases from around 32 per cent of total output in 2005 to 41 per cent by 2050.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT, 2014



How many planets we'd need if everyone lived like a resident of the following:

Balanced Budget	Global Deficit
USA 5 Planets	
UK 3.4	
Argentina 1.7	
South Africa 1.5	
China 1.0	
India 0.4	
World Average 1.4	



Dactyl
[243] Ida II
1.6 x 1.2 km
Galileo, 1993

243 Ida - 58.8 x 25.4 x 18.6 km
Galileo, 1993

69 Braille
1 x 1 km
Space 1, 1999

5535 Annefrank
6.6 x 5.0 x 3.4 km
Stardust, 2002

2867 Steins
5.9 x 4.0 km
Rosetta, 2008



433 Eros - 33 x 13 km
NEAR, 2000

25143 Itokawa
0.5 x 0.3 x 0.2 km
Hayabusa, 2005



253 Mathilde - 66 x 48 x 44 km
NEAR, 1997

951 Gaspra - 18.2 x 10.5 x 8.9 km
Galileo, 1991

21 Lutetia - 132 x 101 x 76 km
Rosetta, 2010

1P/Halley - 16 x 8 x 8 km
Vega 2, 1986

199/Borrelly
8 x 4 km
Deep Space 1, 2001

9P/Tempel 1
7.6 x 4.9 km
Deep Impact, 2005

81P/Wild 2
5.5 x 4.0 x 3.3 km
Stardust, 2004



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小行星间隔成像照片

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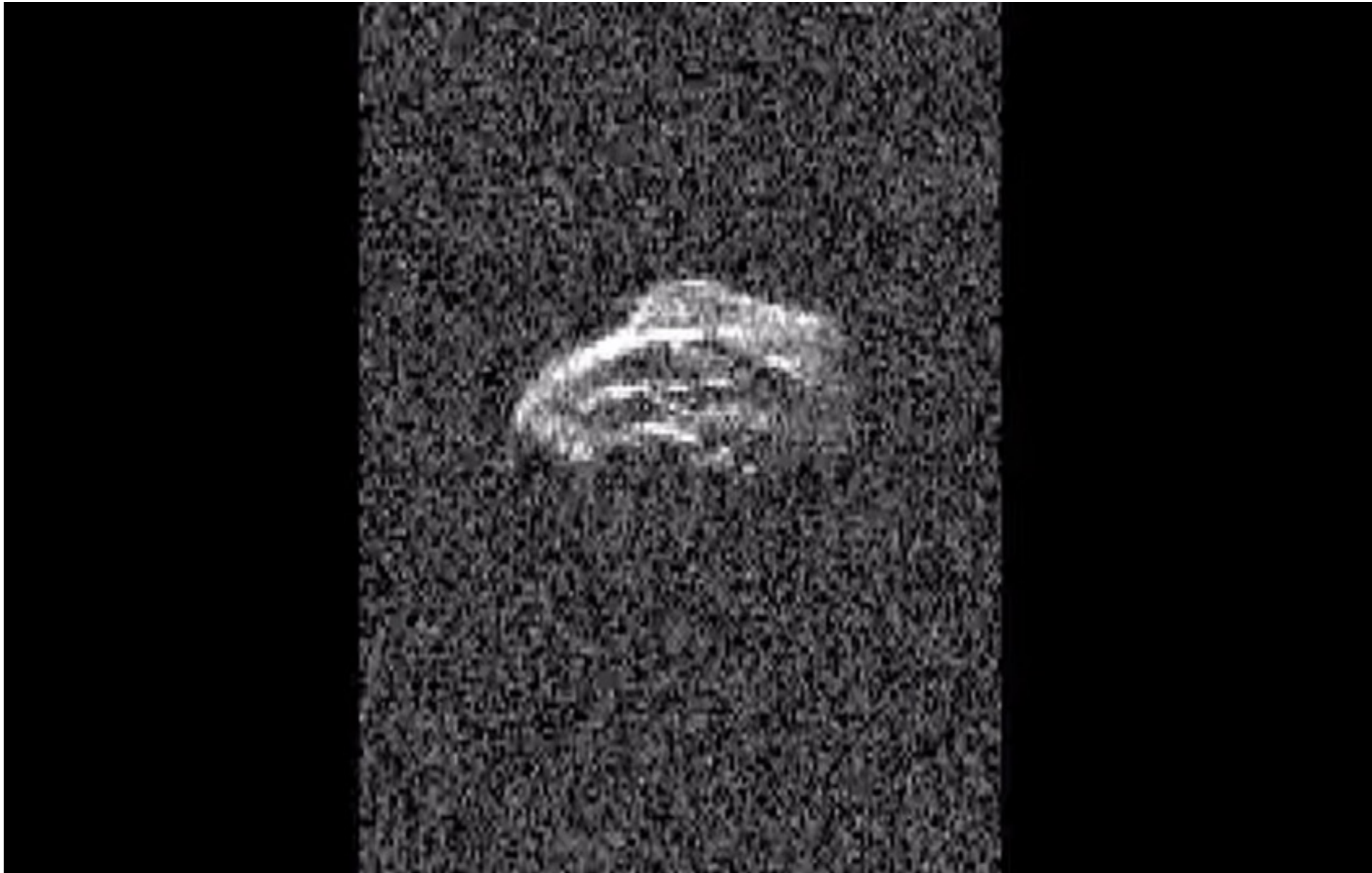
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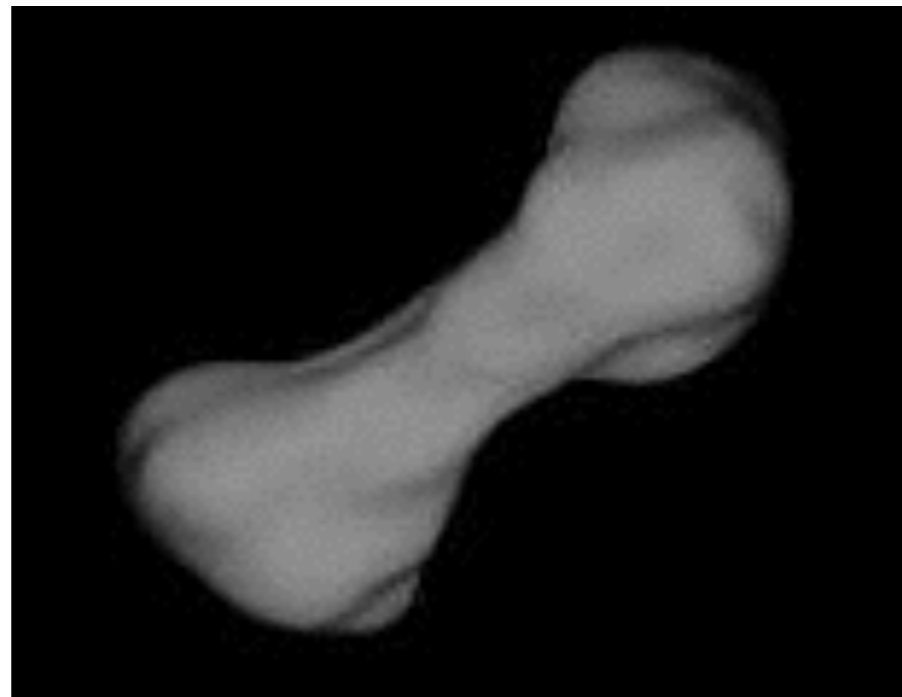
'Platinum' asteroid potentially worth \$5.4 trillion to pass Earth on Sunday
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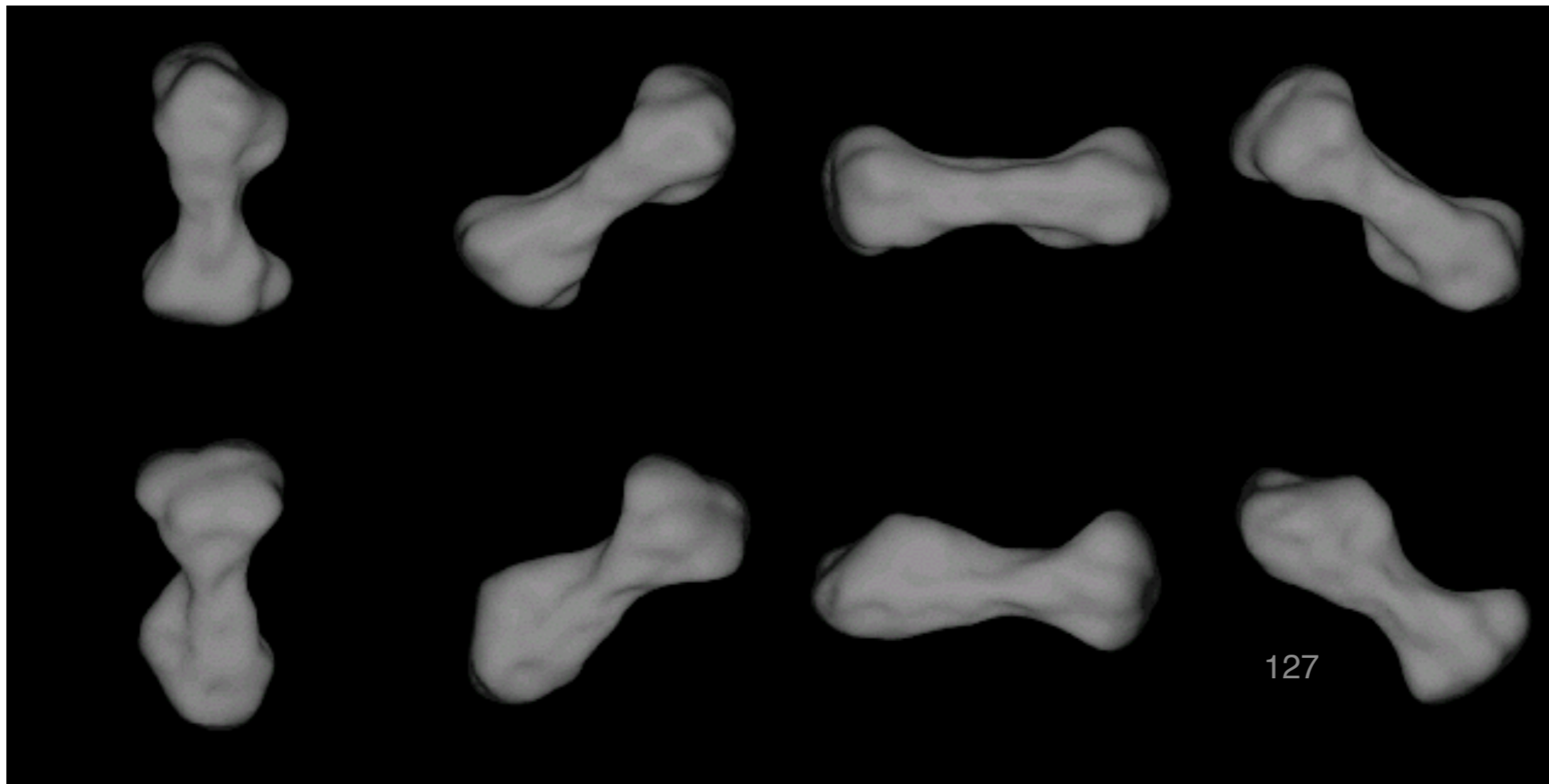
An asteroid believed to be carrying up to 60 million tons of platinum in its core, as well as other rare and precious materials, is about to swoosh past our planet. The news has left developers of asteroid-mining technologies intrigued.

The platinum-rich asteroid officially named 2011 UW158, is 452 meters by 1,011 meters in size and will pass Earth at a distance of an estimated 2.4 million kilometers, according to the Goldstone Radar Observatory. It will be 30 times closer to Earth than the closest planet of the Solar system.

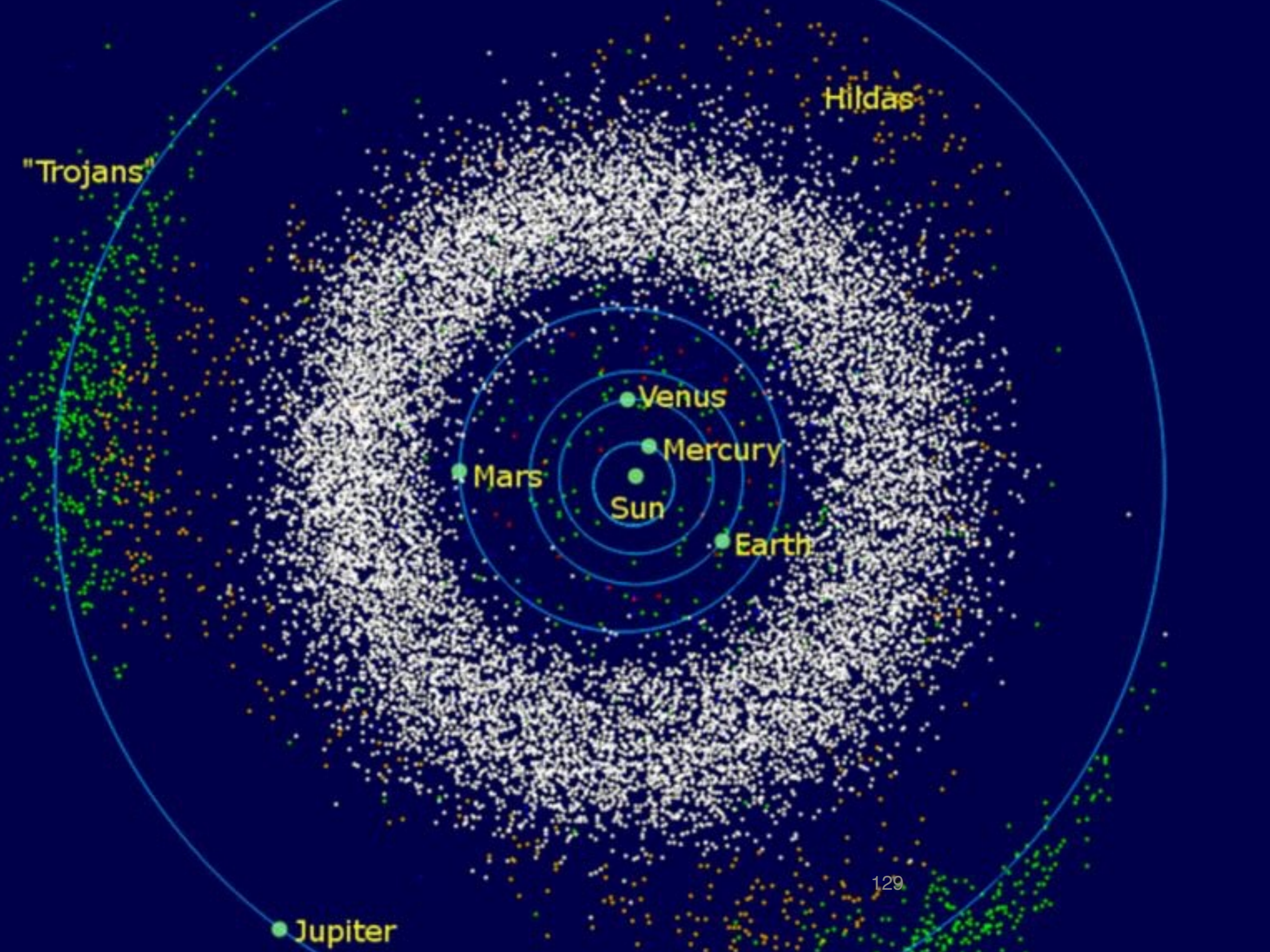




Dimensions $217 \times 94 \times 81$ km
Mass $4.64 \pm 0.02 \times 10^{15}$ mT







"Trojans"

Hildas

Venus

Mercury

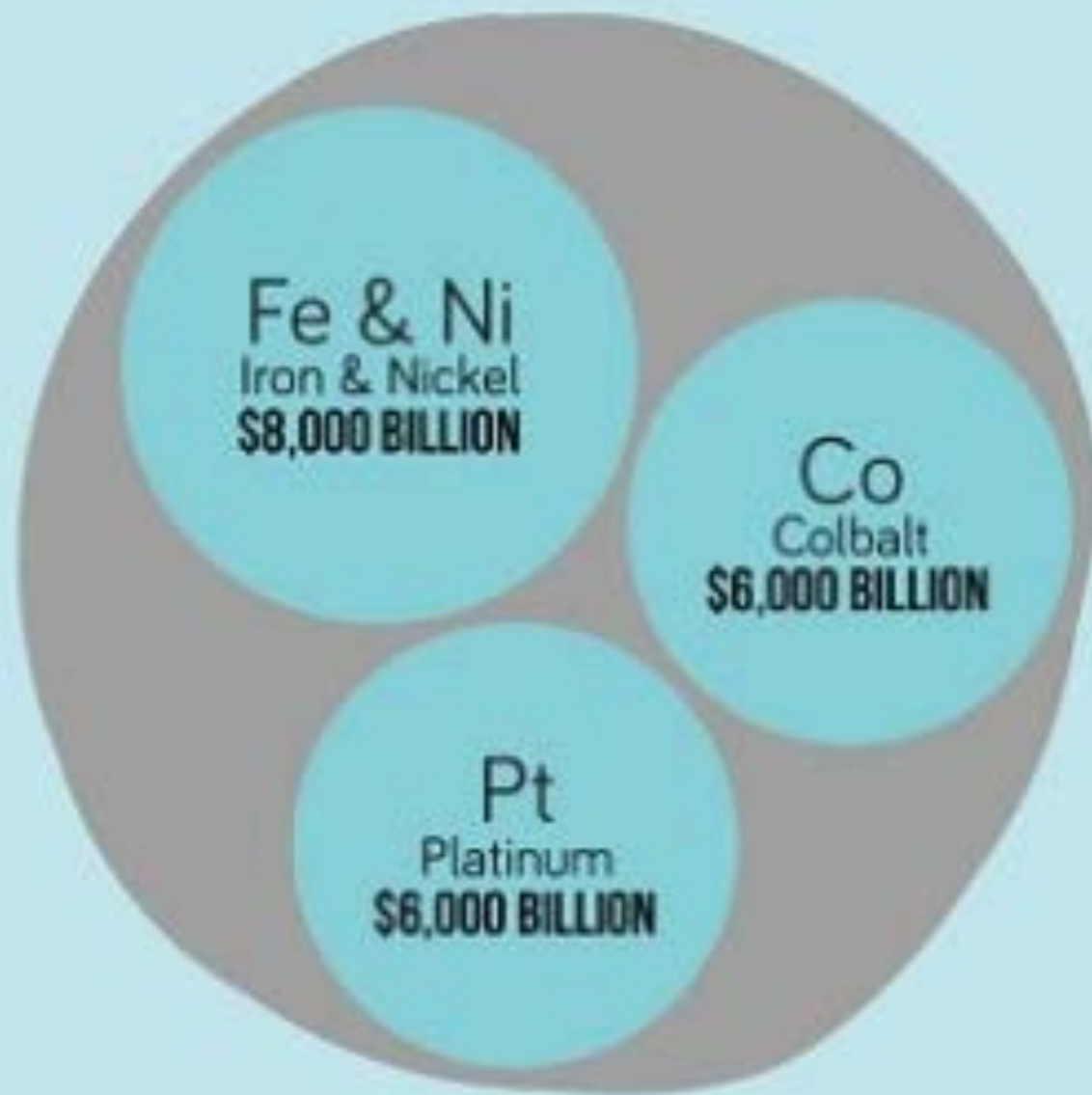
Sun

Mars

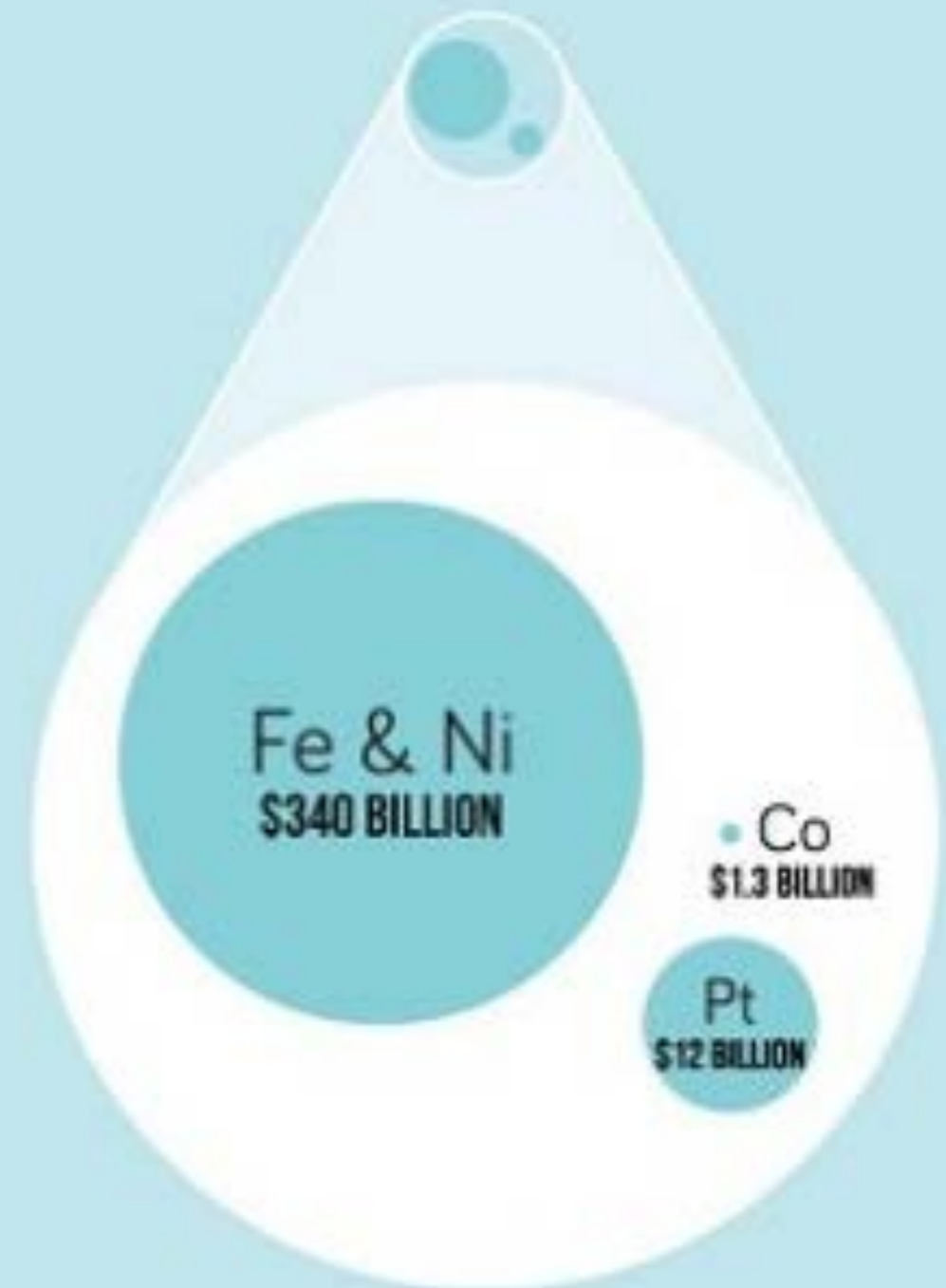
Earth

Jupiter

3554 Amun - Reserves



Earth's current output



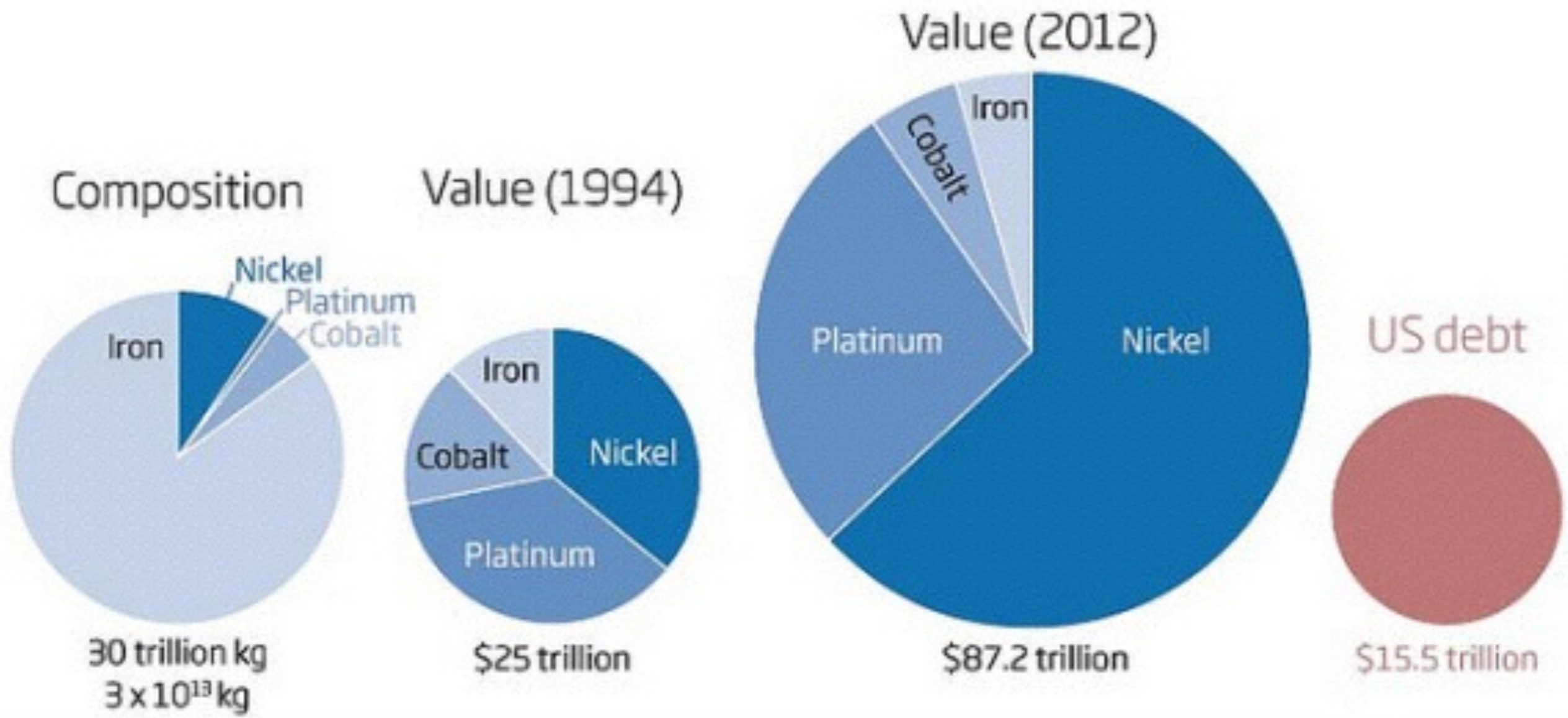
This one small asteroid would provide the earth with enough metal for decades. It would also provide the potential for a space program ten thousand times larger than currently exists.

Cosmic cornucopia

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Asteroids could be a valuable source of metals. In 1994, William Hartmann at the Planetary Science Institute estimated the value of a 2-kilometre-wide metal rich asteroid

Asteroid 1986 DA



SOURCE: LONDON METAL EXCHANGE/PLATINUM TODAY

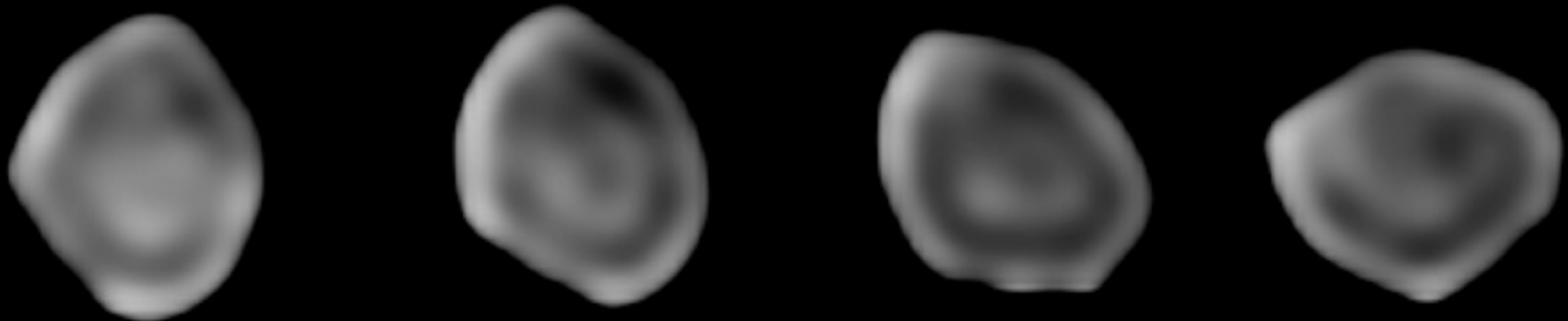


Photo: W.M. Keck Observatory

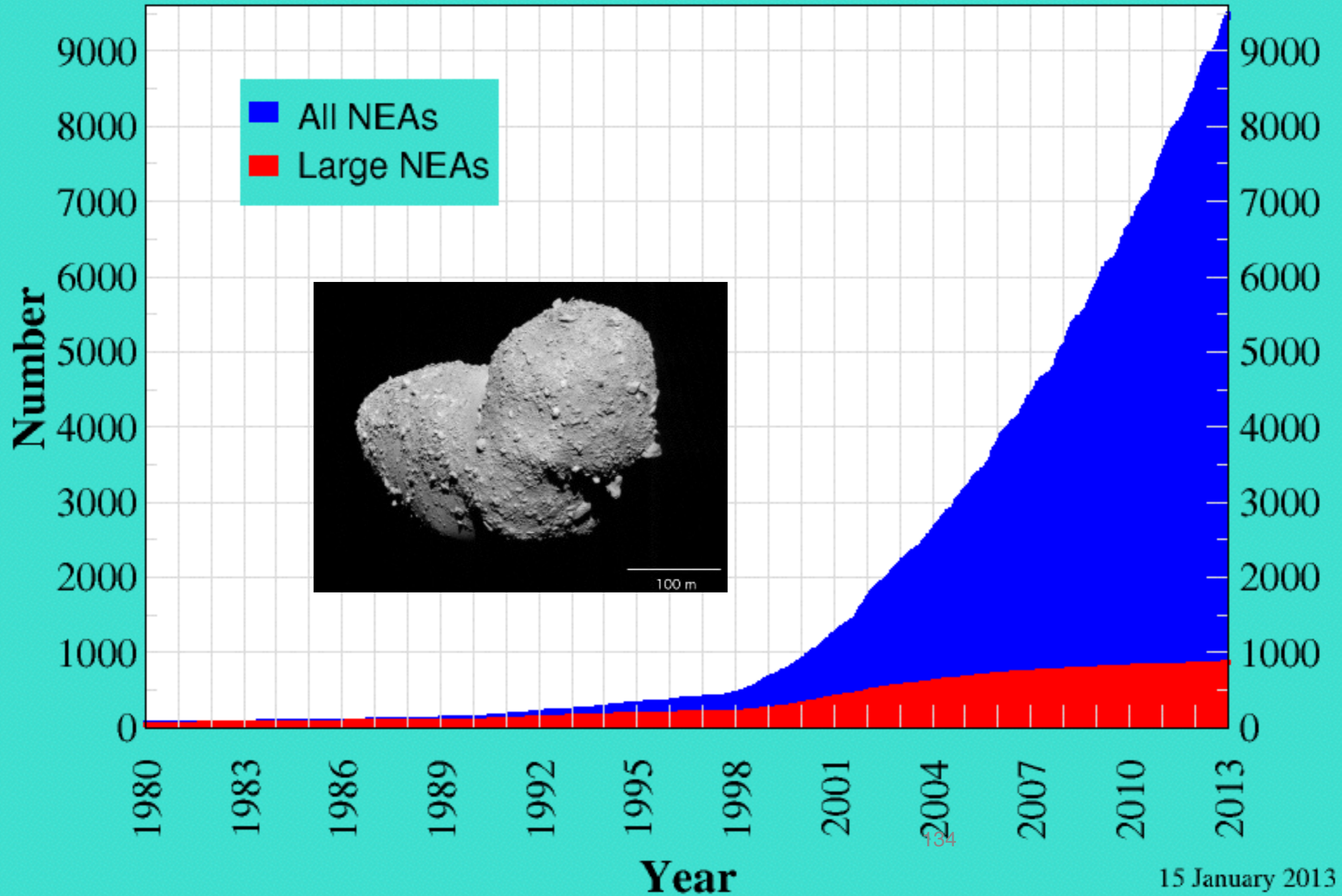
A sequence of images of asteroid (511) Davida, spanning slightly more than one hour, as it rotates on Dec. 26, 2002. In this view, the asteroid is seen from above its north pole, as it spins counter-clockwise, left to right. The features on the edges, such as the flat facets, show that the asteroid has rotated about one-quarter turn.



The W.M. Keck Observatory

Known Near-Earth Asteroids


1980-Jan through 2012-Dec



15 January 2013

Alan B. Chamberlin (JPL)



A large, modern, multi-level structure with a dark canopy and metal frame, situated on a sandy beach at sunset. The structure has a complex, industrial design with multiple levels and a network of metal beams. The background shows a clear sky with a warm, golden glow from the setting sun, and some sparse vegetation on the right side.

If people aren't
laughing at
your dreams,

your dreams
aren't *big* enough. *Robin Sharma*







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