

How Supercomputing Supports NASA's Mission

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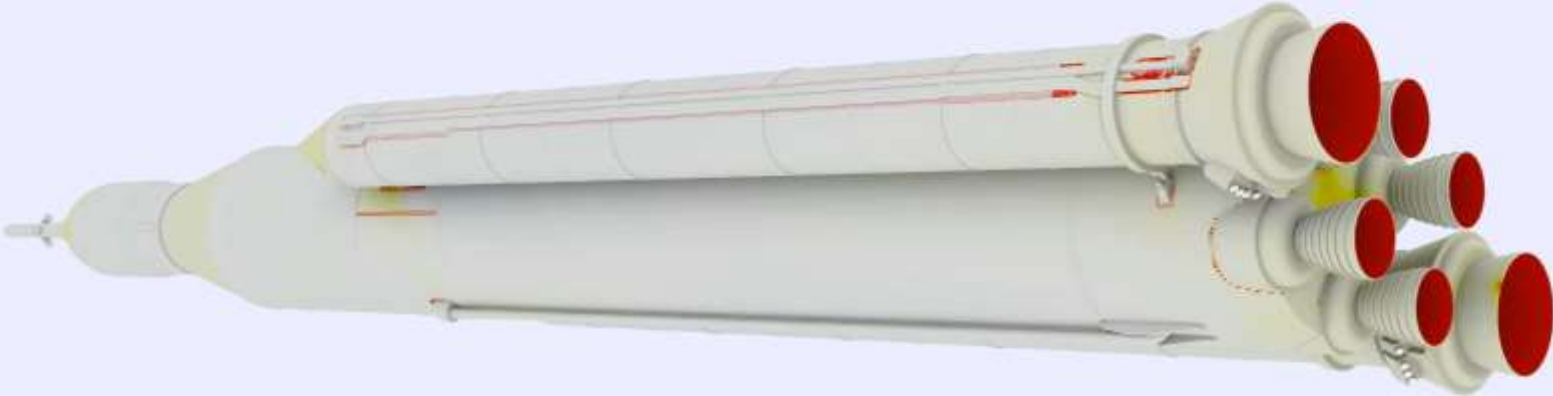
Artemis launch:
November 16, 2022



Modeling the Launch Environment (LAVA Group, NASA Ames)



Space Launch System – Stage Separation (CFD-SLS Group, NASA Ames)



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**Space Launch System –
Launch Abort System
(LAVA Group, NASA Ames)**



Supercomputing Facility @ NASA Ames

NASA's Premier Supercomputer Center

***Resources have broad mission impact across all of NASA's Missions
Over 600 science & engineering projects with more than 1,600 users***

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Vital Stats

3,200-node HPE E-Cell/Apollo 9000 system

308,224 cores total

13.1 petaflops theoretical peak

6.39 petaflops sustained performance (Nov. 2021)

1.27 petabytes total memory



ELECTRA



Vital Stats

3,456-node HPE ICE X/HPE E-Cell system

124,416 cores total

8.32 petaflops theoretical peak

5.44 petaflops sustained performance (June 2021)

589 terabytes total memory



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Vital Stats

11,207-node HPE ICE supercluster

241,324 cores total

7.09 petaflops theoretical peak

5.95 petaflops sustained performance (June 2021)

927 terabytes total memory



VISUALIZATION



Vital Stats

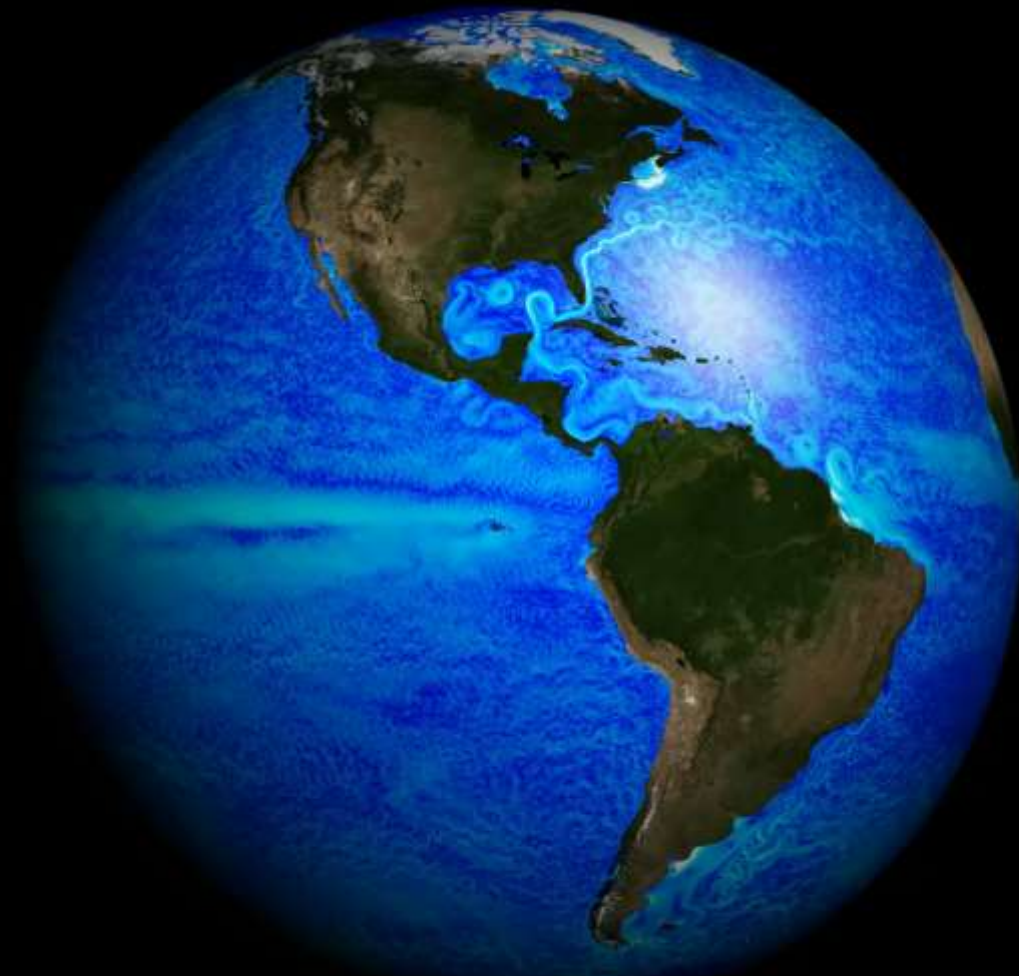
128-screen tiled LCD wall arranged in 8x16 configuration (23-ft. wide by 10-ft. high)

2,560 Intel Xeon Ivy Bridge processor cores

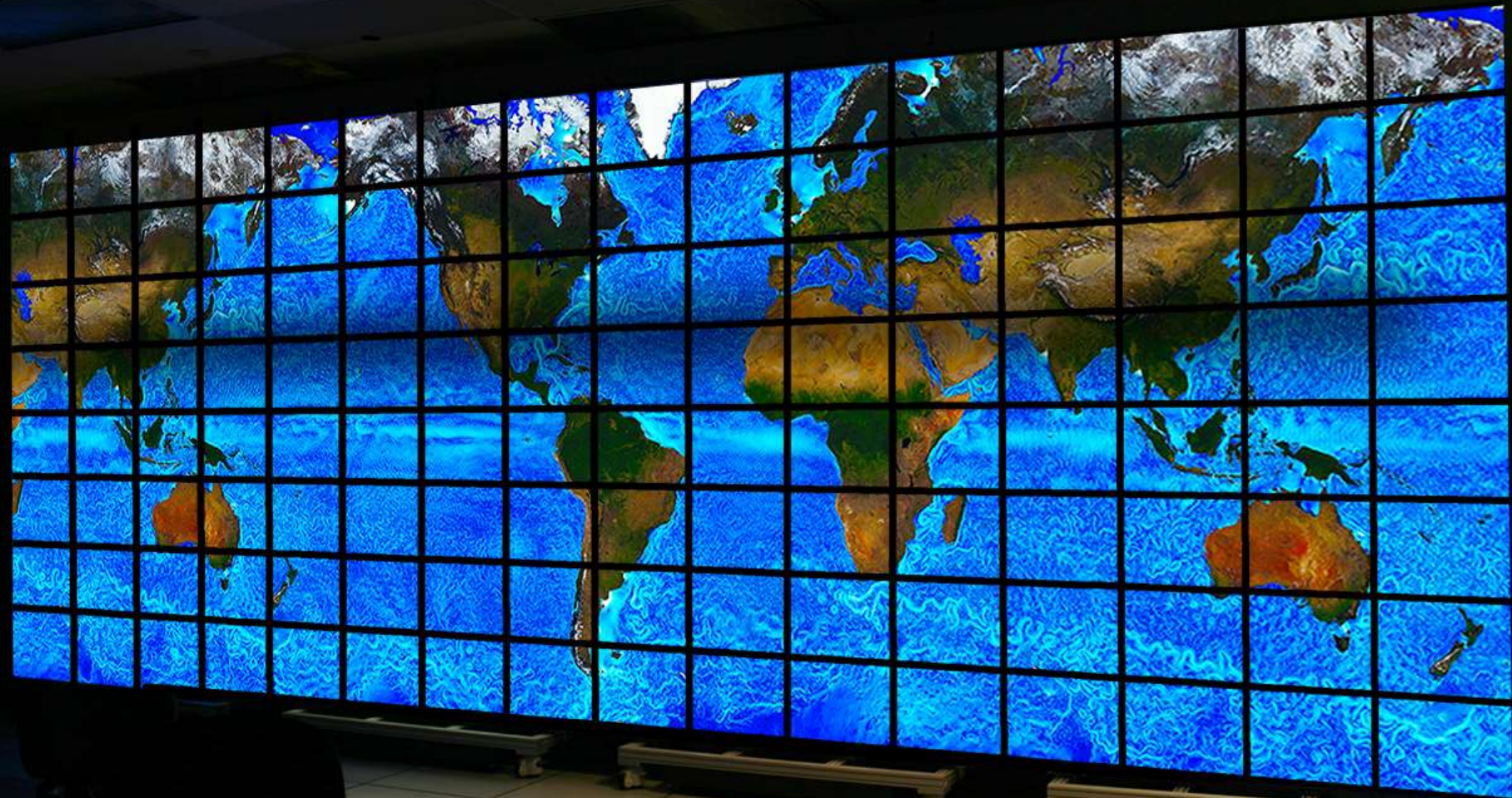
128 Nvidia GeForce GTX 780 Ti graphics processing units



Computational domains: Human exploration vehicle design, Aerosciences, Earth science and Space sciences

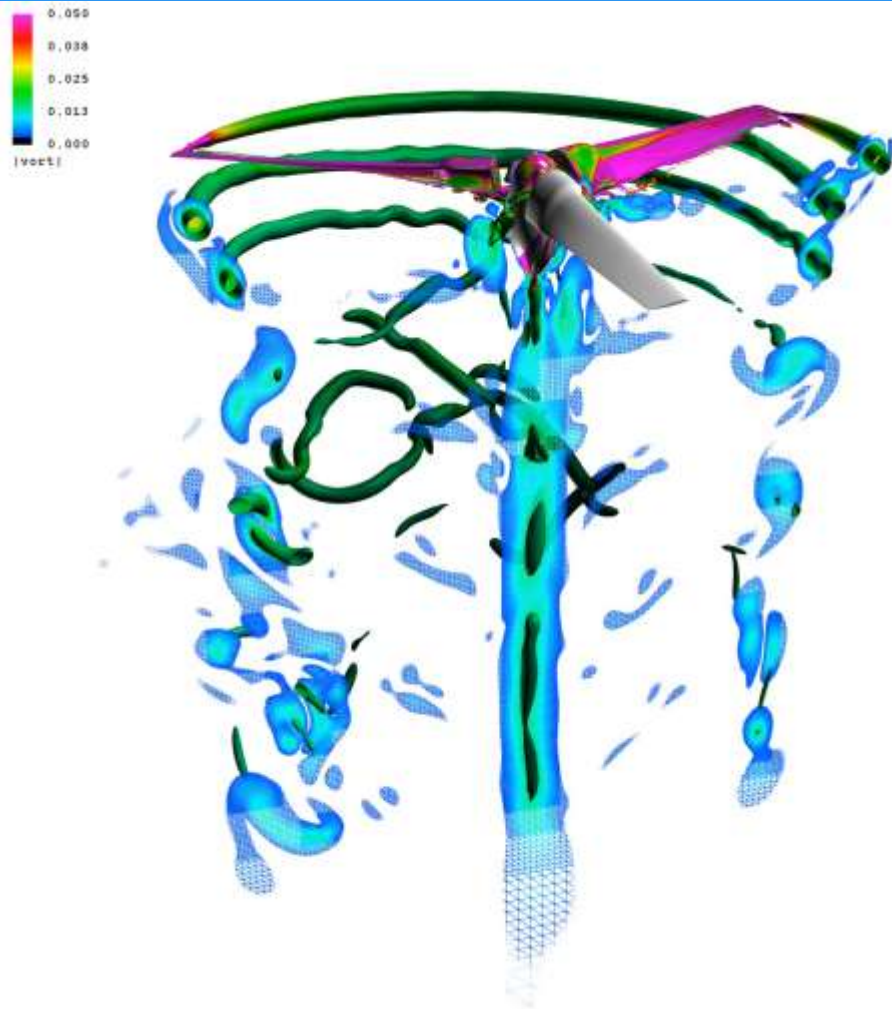


Global Ocean Modeling (ECCO Consortium, MIT/JPL)

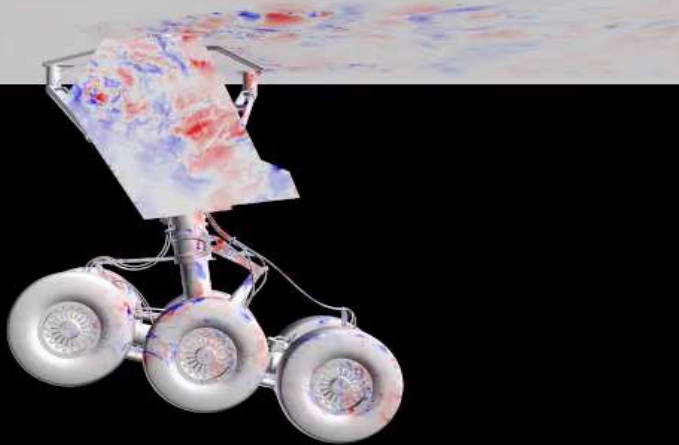


Merger of Black Holes (NASA
Goddard Numerical Relativity Group)

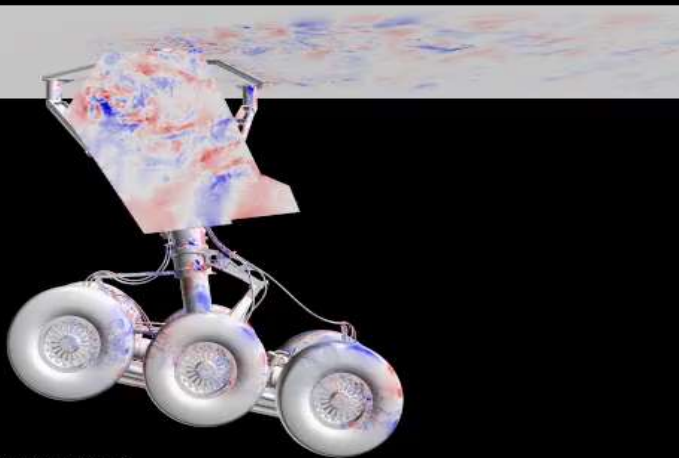




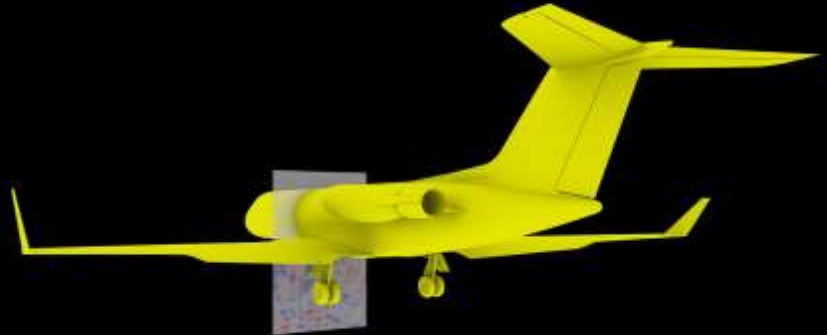
Copter analysis in
hover mode
(Chaderjian, NASA
Ames)



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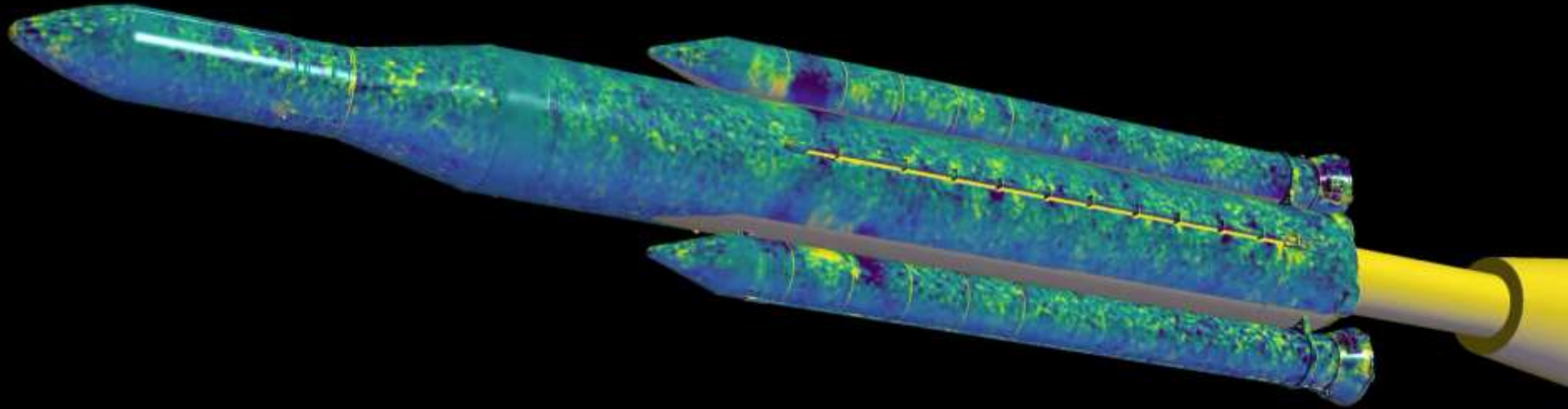


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Aerosciences: noise abatement (Khorrami, NASA Langley)

Near real-time analysis of wind tunnel test data using Supercomputer resources with potential for compute-guided data acquisition



Wind tunnel runs of SLS model using pressure sensitive paint to estimate pressure/loads





**Near real-time analysis of GOES-ABI
Satellite Data (GeoNEX, NASA Ames)**

2022 Strategic Plan Overview



NASA's Strategic Plan is organized around 4 themes and their related Strategic Goals.



Vision

Exploring the secrets of the universe for the benefit of all.

Mission

NASA explores the unknown in air and space, innovates for the benefit of humanity, and inspires the world through discovery.

Strategic Goals

DISCOVER

EXPAND HUMAN KNOWLEDGE THROUGH NEW SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERIES.

EXPLORE

EXTEND HUMAN PRESENCE TO THE MOON AND ON TOWARDS MARS FOR SUSTAINABLE LONG-TERM EXPLORATION, DEVELOPMENT, AND UTILIZATION.

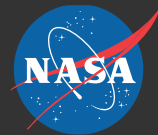
DEVELOP

CATALYZE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DRIVE INNOVATION TO ADDRESS NATIONAL CHALLENGES.

ENABLE

ENHANCE CAPABILITIES AND OPERATIONS TO CATALYZE CURRENT AND FUTURE MISSION SUCCESS.

Questions?



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