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CONTOUR Mission Operations

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Agenda

- Operational Requirements Division
- Operational Interfaces
- Operations Preparations
- Preparation Schedule
- Post Launch Operations



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Division of Operational Requirements

JHU/APL Requirements :

- Uplink of all commands
- Real-time S/C & Instrument Monitoring
- Planning of all S/C housekeeping activities (Buns, SSR ops ...)
- Merge Instrument & Housekeeping commands
- Command load review & testing
- Spacecraft health and safety (prime)
- Instrument health and safety check (secondary to instrument teams)
- DSN Scheduling
- Long Term S/C trending
- Post event S/C assessment and process improvement



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Planning & Scheduling

Science Team Requirements

- Plan and implement all instrument activities including calibrations
- Instrument activity command review, test, and delivery (SASF format)
- Development and delivery (TBD format) of flight software loads
- Instrument activity planning coordination - conflict avoidance (i.e. CRISP vs. CIDA ops)
- Instrument health and safety checking
- Verify activities within spacecraft operating constraints (“smart requests”)
 - Spacecraft health and safety (secondary)
- Timely delivery of instrument commands as per TBD delivery schedules
- Post event assessment and process improvement

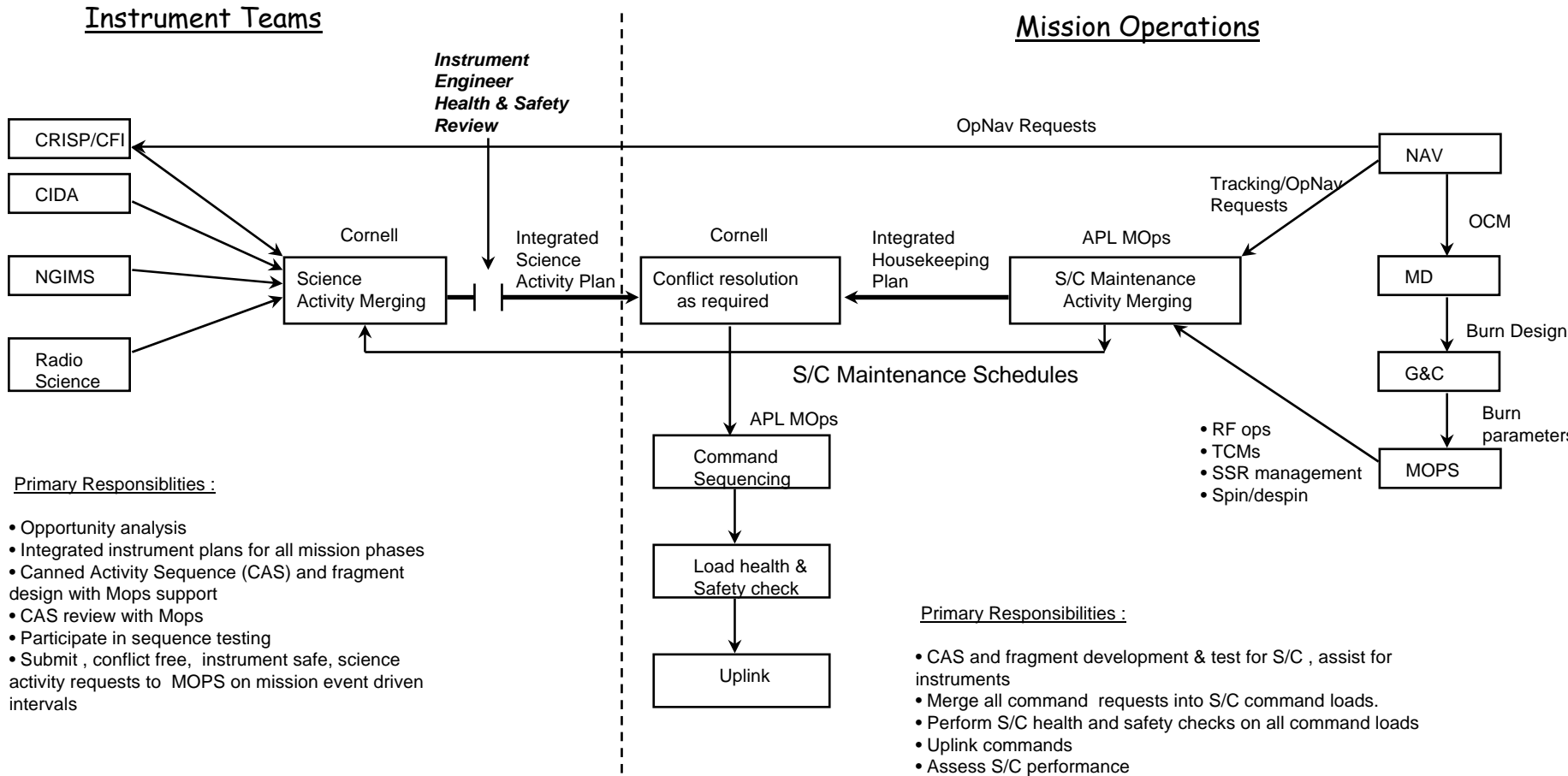


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Planning Interfaces

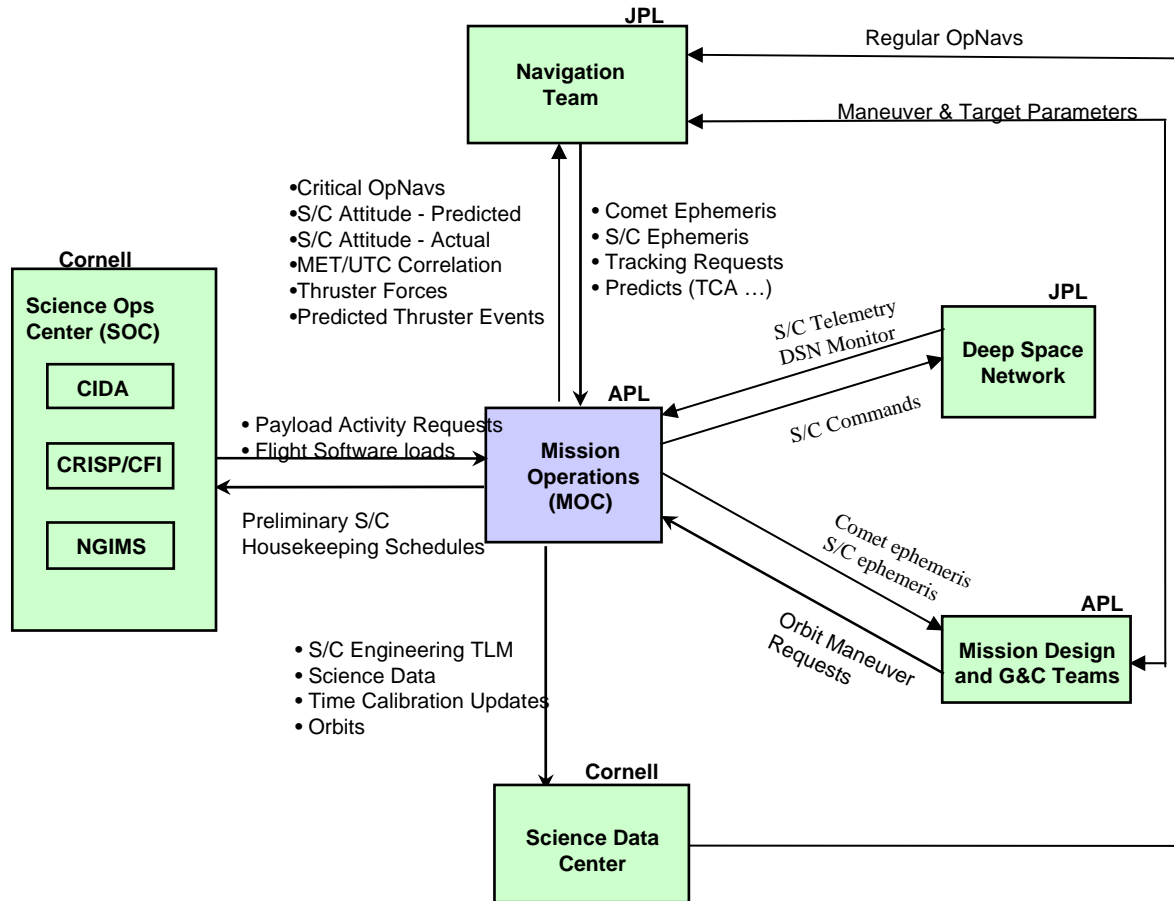




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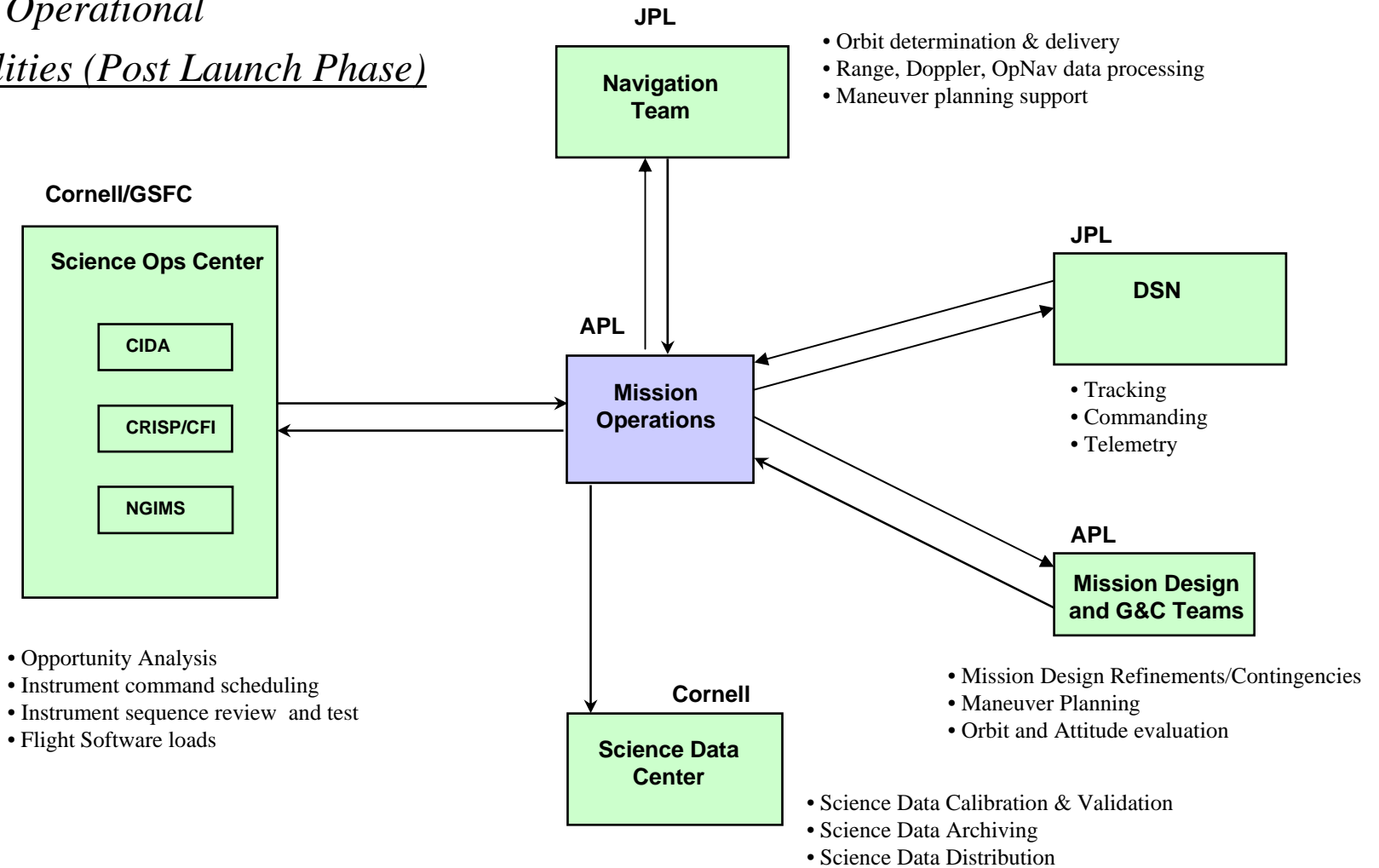


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Division of Operational Responsibilities (Post Launch Phase)





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Prelaunch Operations

- Define planned instrument activities (activation, calibration, Encounter ...)
- Develop STOL procedures for Real-time operations (S/W loads, contingencies...)
- Develop reusable command blocks for activities initiated via onboard C&DH timetagged command sequences and macros.
 - Use Fragments defined to basic operations (On, Off, Mode changes ...)
 - Collect Fragments into Canned Activity Sequences (CAS) for more complex operations
 - Build 1 - Launch and early operations
 - Build 2 - Encounter operations
- Test STOL scripts and Seg_gen generated commands with CONTOUR spacecraft (as available) and simulators (Statesim and S/C Simulator).
- Test instrument flight software (CFI/CRISP DPU's, CIDA and NIGMS flight processors) with sequences developed



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Prelaunch Operations Continued

- Support testing of MOC, SOC, and CONTOUR interfaces, rehearsals
- Define and develop operating constraints/rules/models for load check process
- Integrate operating constraints/rules/models and command blocks into SEQ_GEN
- MOps to work with subsystem engineers to develop S/C user's Guide. Instrument teams are strongly encouraged to do the same for instrument operations (hint hint ...).
- Develop Spacecraft and Ground System Standard and Contingency Operating procedures for launch and cruise operations. Instrument contingency procedures also required to expedite instrument recovery and safeing.



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Key Dependencies of Operations Preparations Schedule

- Instrument TLM & CMD Specifications
- Instrument TLM & CMD Database Definitions
- Ground & Flight Systems Availability :
 - Real-time MOC (Epoch 2000)
 - MOC Planning and Scheduling (Seq-Gen) Systems
 - Command “Glueware” between Epoch and Seq-Gen
 - Flight Software availability
 - CONTOUR Spacecraft Availability
 - CONTOUR Spacecraft Simulator Availability



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Key Dates - Spacecraft and Ground System Development

Instrument Deliveries :

- NIGMS Delivery 9/01
- CIDA Delivery 9/01
- CRISP Delivery 11/30/01
- CFI Delivery to 11/01/01

S/C integration and Test:

- CIDA 9/14/01
- NIGMS 9/05/01
- CFI 11/02/01
- CRISP 12/03/01

S/C and Instrument Environmental Tests 1/29/02-5/03/02



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Proposed Schedule for Operations Preparations Proposed Dates

Instrument Activity and Operating Rule Definitions - Build 1 (Early operations)	3/01 - 4/01
MOC Planning & Scheduling Initial Delivery	3/01 (desired)
Instrument & S/C Flight Software Initial Delivery (required for software simulator)	3/01 (desired)
Initial Command Database	3/01 (desired)
Translate Build 1 Activities and Rules to Software	4/01 - 6/01
Instrument Activity and Operating Rule Definitions - Build 2 (Encounter Operations)	4/01 - 7/01



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Translate Build 1 Activities and Rules to Software	6/01 - 9/01
MOC S/C Software Simulator and MOC command processing Initial Delivery	8/01 (desired)
Command Block and Rule Testing w/Statesim	9/01 - 5/02 (desired)
Command Block and Rule Testing w/Flight hardware	9/01-5/02 (desired)
MOC/SOC Data Flow Simulations and Testing	11/01 - 5/01
Freeze Build 1 CAS, Frags, Rules	5/02



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Key Dates - Post Launch Flight Operations

Launch	7/01/02
Phasing Orbits	7/1-8/15/02
SRM Firing	8/15/02
Instrument Checkouts	7/01 - 10/01/02
Hibernation Entry	~10/01/02
Complete Build 2 Sequence Creation & Test	10/01/02 - 7/1/03
Hibernation Exit/Encke (Build 2) Preparations	~7/1/03



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Post-Launch Operations (non-hibernating)

- Refine and test reusable command blocks for encounter operations.
- Coordinate review and testing of command sequences (flight and ground)
- Perform necessary commanding via tested and approved command sequences
 - ΔV 's, Spin Attitude Maneuvers
 - Housekeeping activities (SSR operations, Subsystem configuration control ...)
 - Encounter operations
- In close coordination with spacecraft engineering team, monitor critical spacecraft and instrument health and status parameters verses operating limits and timeline during real-time DSN supports. Instrument teams to monitor long term health of instrument.



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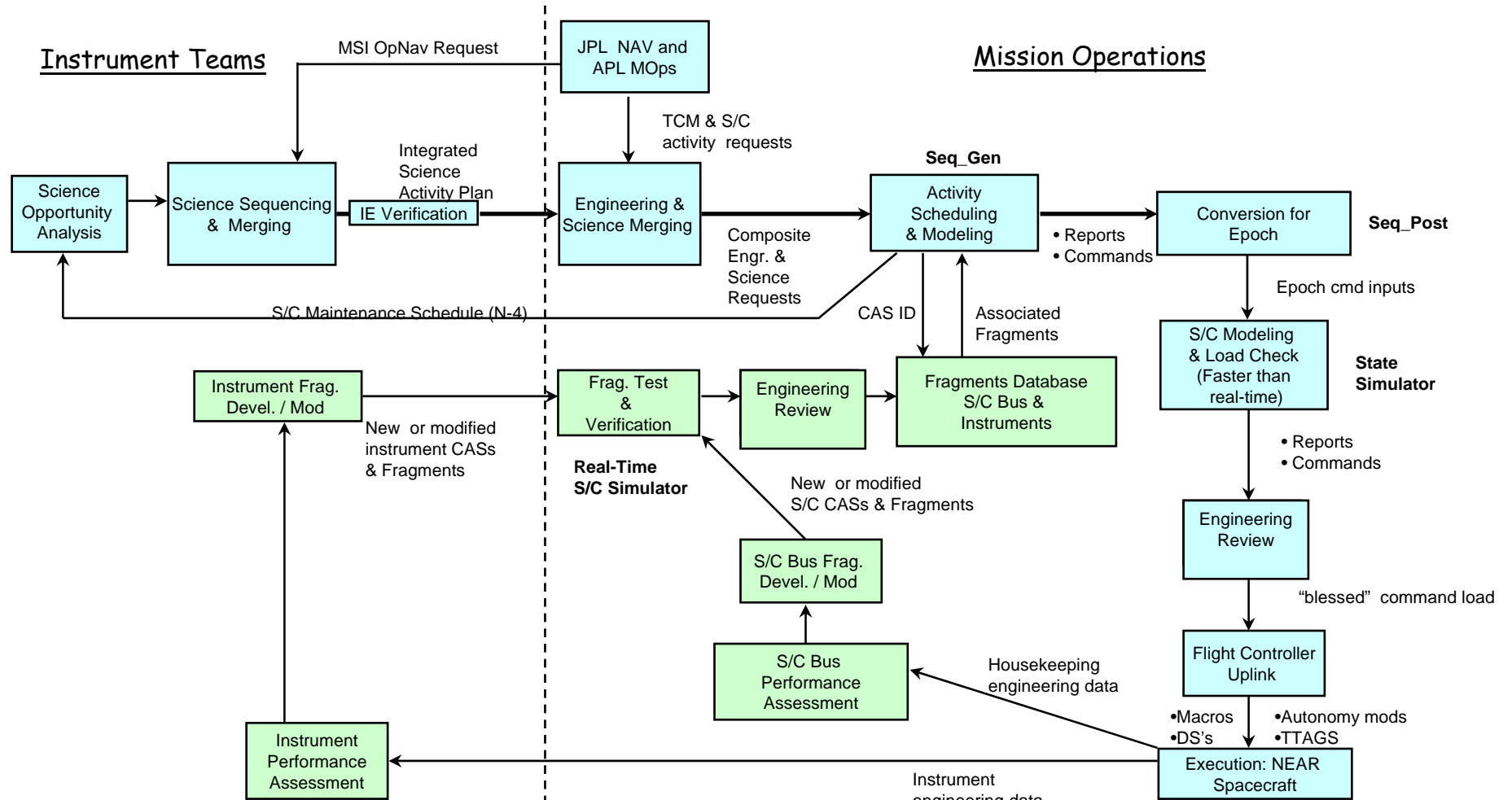


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Command Process - Nominal

Instrument Teams

Mission Operations



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CAS = Canned Activity Sequence = Composed of fragments that include all commands required to accomplish a given S/C activity/objective

Update pipeline Main command pipeline



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Critical Command Loads

Definition: A critical spacecraft activity is defined as one that could pose a significant risk to the spacecraft or mission if its contents are not executed successfully on time (i.e., SRM Firing & Encounter).

Process: Put commands through all the same checks as a nominal load plus:

- Sequence Preliminary Design Review
- S/C Simulator end-to-end real-time testing
- Sequence modification
- Final command and simulator test results review
- Sequence final “go” / ”no go” decision