



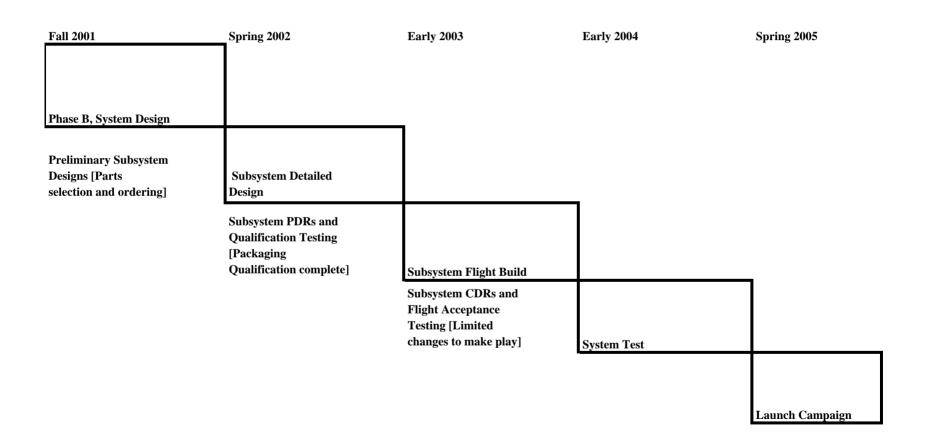
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Example Project Life Cycle







- There are currently many different types of missions either in development or in planning
 - Earth orbiters and Deep Space probes
 - Landers and rovers
 - Technology demonstrations and Science missions
- All off these missions can have widely varying radiation, thermal and dynamics requirements that can affect both electronics parts selection and electronics packaging
- There are two requirements that are common for all missions which also affect electronic parts selection and electronic parts packaging
 - The hardware must work
 - The objectives for the mission must be met





- What does this mean for NEPP?
 - In order for technologies to be acceptable for flight use they must have demonstrated enough maturity to represent acceptable risk to the project
 - "Acceptable risk" is hard to define as varies from project-to-project depending on the mission objectives
 - Determine what are the important criteria that encompasses the needs of the projects and develop a methodology to support those needs
 - Provide for higher levels of integration to reduce size and mass





• Electronic Parts

- Development of a database that can provide the capabilities, availability,
 and reliability and make it readily available to designers
- In the case of impactors and penetrators, what are the dynamic environments and are they encompassed by the existing parts screens?
- In the case of any surface missions, what are the thermal extremes, operating and non-operating, and will the devices meet specification/survive?
- What are the radiation environment capabilities for new technologies?





Electronic Packaging

- Database of new components with footprints for packaging designs
- In the case of impactors and penetrators, what are the dynamic environments and what packaging techniques are qualified over those levels
- In the case of any surface missions, what are the thermal extremes,
 operating and non-operating, and what packaging techniques are qualified over those levels
- Compatible with contamination control and planetary protection requirements





- Continued pressure to make the spacecraft small, reduced mass and reduced power consumption
 - For a wide variety of projects there is a need to infuse new technology to accomplish this desire
 - Technology needs to be sufficiently mature to represent acceptable risk to the project both technically and programmatically
- Technology programs need to be looking at the family of projects that are five or more years into the future to understand the spacecraft and instruments requirements