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India: A Global Space Power

Possibilities and Precautions for US / India Collaboration

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Why Space?

- ❁ **Built from every engineering discipline:** Materials, Chemical, Fluids, Industrial, Thermal, Aerodynamic, Systems, Computer, ...
- ❁ **Leverages every science discipline:** Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Geology, Meteorology, Oceanography, ...
- ❁ **Leverages every business discipline:** Budget, Accounting, HR, Contracts, Finance, ...
- ❁ **Driven by Policy:** Instrument of Executive Branch (in the US), fortification of Economic competitiveness (e.g., European), Government funded, ...
- ❁ **National Prestige Driven Past:** With significant parts of this remaining...
- ❁ **Commercially Driven Future:** SpaceX, PlanetLabs, SkyBox, Firefly, BridgeSat, UrtheCast, NanoRacks, ExactEarth, Blue Origin, Virgin Galactic, ...
- ❁ **Harshest environments:** Hard vacuum, radiation, large energy requirements, high velocity, thermal extremes, ...
- ❁ **Highest Consequences of Failure:** *Challenger, Columbia, Apollo 1, Hubble mirror, ...*

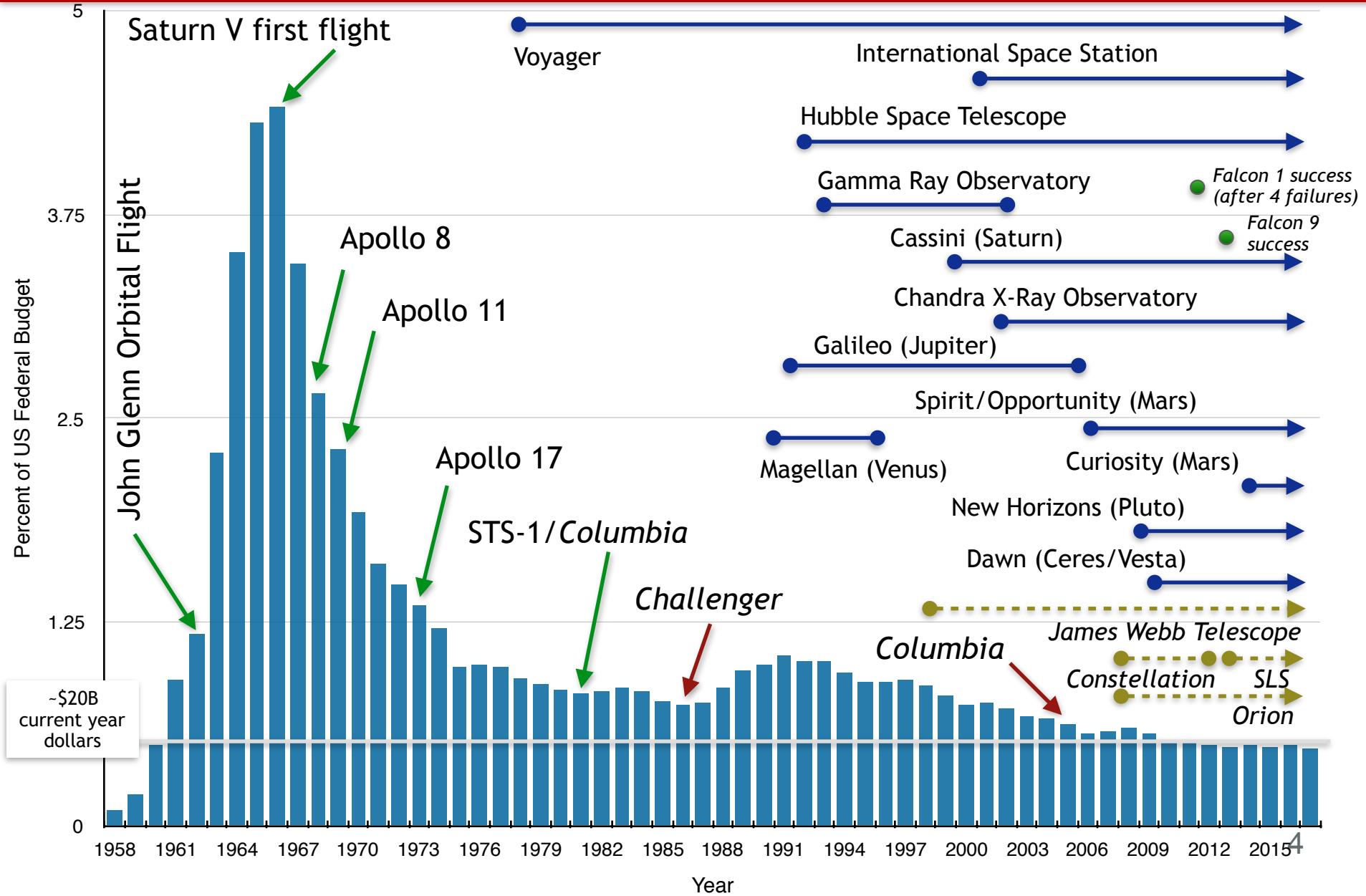
***A deeply integrated endeavor. "At the edge" of human capability.
Collaboration and cooperation are natural.***



*India ALREADY IS a Global Space Power.
Not “peer” to US or Russia (yet), but a very high-quality program.*

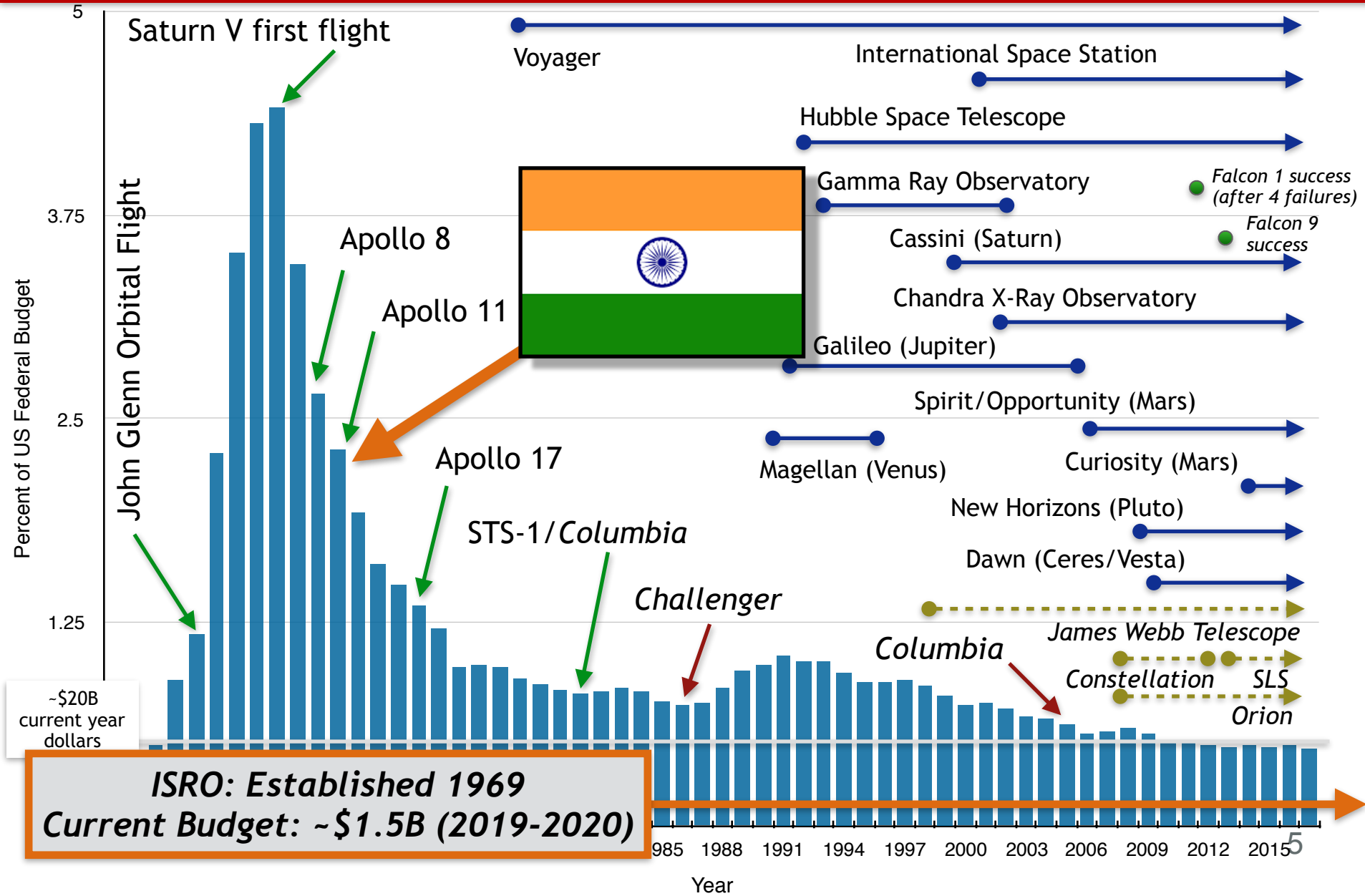


NASA Budget as a Percentage of United States Federal Budget



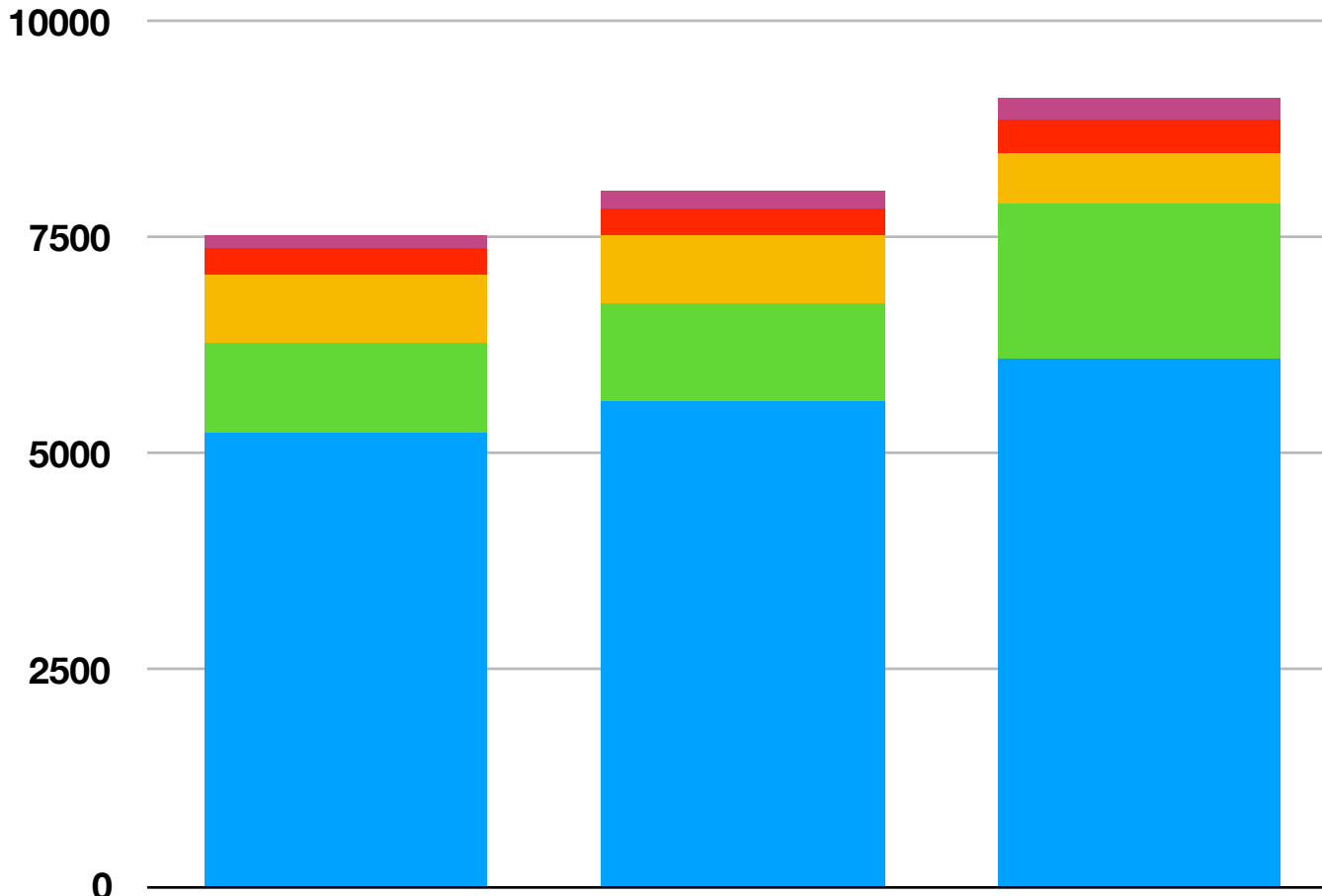


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ISRO Annual Budget (Rs 10M)



■ Space Technology ■ Space Applications ■ INSAT Operational
■ Space Sciences ■ Direction, Admin, etc.

- ☼ Supports over 16,000 people. (NASA has about 20,000)
- ☼ Significant growth in past three years.
- ☼ ~10% of the NASA budget total.
- ☼ Per-Capita Citizen Budget, even smaller.
- ☼ 2020, ~10,252 Rs Crore



☀ India Space Strategy - executed through ISRO

- ☀ “...harness space technology for **national development** while pursuing space science research and planetary exploration...”. - ISRO
- ☀ “...if Indians were to play meaningful role in the community of nations, they must be second to none in the **application of advanced technologies to their real-life problems**. They had no intention of using it merely as a means of displaying our might.” - Abdul Kalam

☀ Integrated Spaceflight Program Priorities:

- ☀ Launch Vehicles
- ☀ Satellite Programs - Earth, Mars, and More
- ☀ Human Spaceflight (in preparation)

☀ The Current “Hot” Topic (Lunar Exploration):

- ☀ Chandrayan-1
- ☀ Chandrayan-2
- ☀ Vikram Lander and Rover



First Satellite: 1975 (Soviet Launch Vehicle) *Aryabhata*

First “All India” launch: 1980
(*Rohini*)



❁ Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV)

- ❁ *Among the most reliable anywhere in the world (45/48).*
- ❁ *Ability to maintain high-launch cadence (~15 per year)*
- ❁ *Medium-Class LV, ~8,000 lb to LEO*
- ❁ *~\$25M per launch (very inexpensive)*
- ❁ *“Polar” Satellites most useful for remote sensing.*

❁ Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV)

- ❁ *Fewer flights than PSLV, now in 3rd Generation*
- ❁ *~11,000 lb to LEO, 6,000 to GTO*
- ❁ *“Geo” satellites most useful for telecommunications, and weather observations of the sub-continent.*



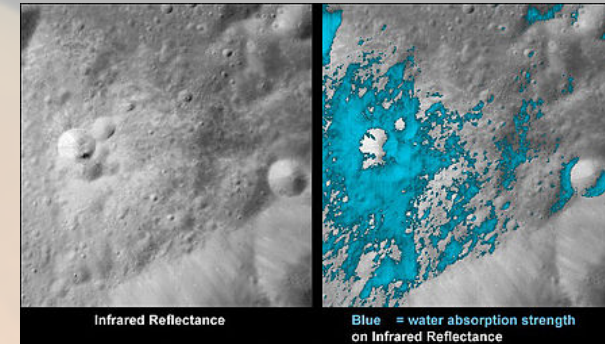
Exceptional Launch Capabilities.

When it comes to Launch Vehicles, the US worries about ITAR/proliferation, and impacts to US Commercial Companies



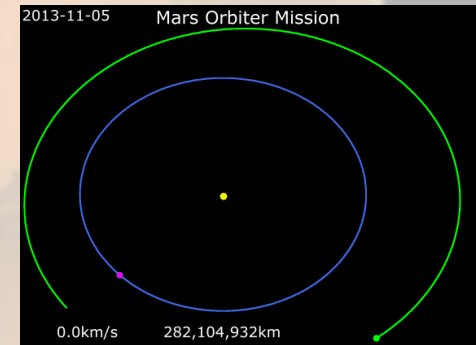
☀️ Chandraayan-1

- ☀️ *Lunar Orbiting Satellite, with 11 instruments*
- ☀️ *Launched 2008, aboard a modified PSLV.*
- ☀️ *US/NASA Contributed “Moon Mineralogy Mapper” (M3) instrument to this spacecraft. (1 of 6 from outside India.)*
- ☀️ *M3 instrument: Discovery of water on the Moon.*



☀️ Mangalyaan (Mars Orbiter Mission)

- ☀️ *PSLV launch, 298 day transit, orbit insertion 24 Sept 2014.*
- ☀️ *\$73M mission. First Asian Nation to reach Mars Orbit*
- ☀️ *“Geo” satellites most useful for telecommunications, and weather observations of the sub-continent.*



In Science, Collaboration is the “norm.”



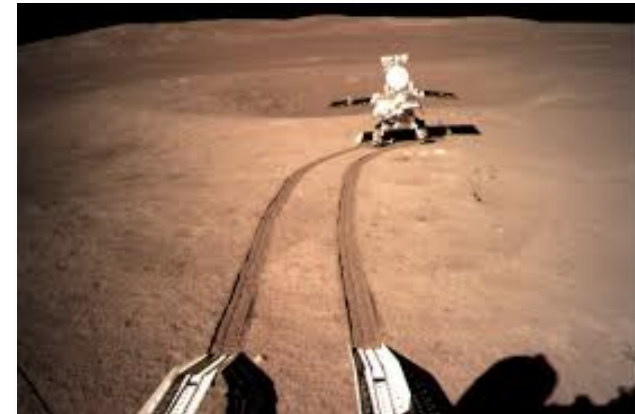
☼ It's VERY difficult.

- ☼ *No atmosphere to slow you down.*
- ☼ *No certainty about the place you are trying to land (rocks, craters, slopes, ...)*
- ☼ *An “inverse launch,” with power-on all the way down.*
- ☼ *Everything must be automated.*
- ☼ *Generally brake in stages - big engines first, then small engines take over*



☼ Successes:

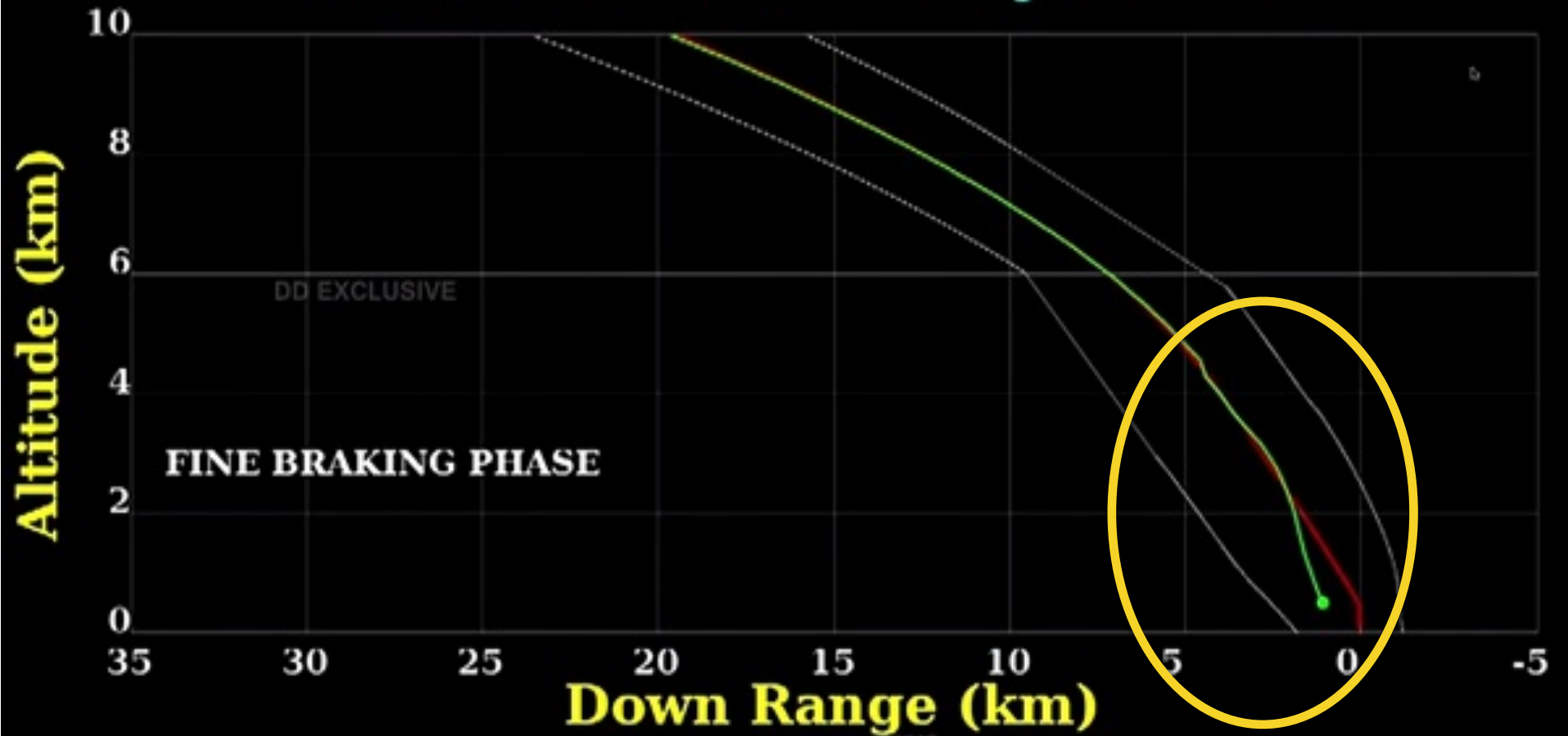
- ☼ *Soviet (Luna), US (Surveyor) in 1960's and 1970's*
- ☼ *China just this past year, with Chang'e-4.*
- ☼ *Many unsuccessful attempts.*



Vikram was a very ambitious attempt, that almost succeeded.



VIKRAM DESCENT TRAJECTORY



*Malfunction or 'event' during final braking phase, about 2 km up.
Green - Actual trajectory. Red - Planned trajectory.*



☀ The lander has been spotted (9 September).

- ☀ *Chandrayaan-2 orbiter sees the lander from above.*
- ☀ *This is not all that surprising, since one “knew where to look.”*
- ☀ *Clearly a very “hard landing.” But how hard?*
- ☀ *ISRO Reports “Lander is in one piece, but tilted.”*

☀ Possible Futures:

- ☀ *Landing was too hard, Vikram is dead*
- ☀ *Landing was hard, but not sufficient to ‘break’ the lander. Antenna are pointing in the wrong direction.*
- ☀ *Contact *could* be restored, but perhaps severely degraded.*



***Design lifetime is about 14-days on the Lunar Surface...
But the ORBITER WILL CONTINUE ITS MISSION.***



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**I would be happy to answer
any questions you may have.**

