BILLIARDS:
Baseline Instrumented Lithology Lander, Inspector and Asteroid Redirection Demonstration System

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- Baseline Instrumented Lithology Lander, Inspector, and Asteroid Redirection Demonstration System
- Proposed demonstration mission for “Billiard-Ball” concept
- Select asteroid pair with natural close approach to minimize cost and complexity

Primary Objectives

- Rendezvous with a small (<10m), near Earth (alpha) asteroid
- Maneuver the alpha asteroid to a collision with a ~100m (beta) asteroid
- Produce a detectable deflection or disruption of the beta asteroid

Secondary objectives

- Contribute knowledge of asteroid composition and characteristics
- Contribute knowledge of small-body formation
- Opportunity for international collaboration
Concept of Operations

Nominal beta asteroid trajectory

Nominal alpha asteroid trajectory

Lauch
Asteroid rendezvous
Low thrust maneuver
Collision
Alpha Asteroid - 2011 MD

- **Physical properties**
  - Absolute magnitude: 28.0
  - Diameter range: $6^{+4}_{-2}$ m
  - Density range: $1.1^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$ g/cm$^3$

- **Orbital properties**
  - Inclination: 2.58$°$
  - Semimajor Axis: 1.06 AU
  - Eccentricity: 0.0416
  - Orbit classification: Apollo
Final Beta Asteroid Selection

- Collision must occur with radio line of sight to Earth
- Must be visible from space based observatories
- Ideally visible from ground based observatories
- Select minimum close approach distance to alpha asteroid without violating other constraints
Beta Asteroid - 2010 PR\textsubscript{10}

- **Physical properties**
  - Absolute magnitude: 21.7
  - Diameter range: 80-356 m
  - Expected diameter: 160 m

- **Orbital properties**
  - Minimum natural close approach: 9.329e-3 AU
  - Inclination: 9.2°
  - Semimajor Axis: 1.2 AU
  - Eccentricity: 0.18
  - Orbit classification: Amor

- **Close approach**
  - Five close approaches prior to impact
  - Impact date: Jan 26, 2029
  - Impact velocity: 6.6 km/s
  - Expected Q/Q*: 9.0
    - Most likely disrupted by impact
Spacecraft Design

- **Instrumentation Module**
  - Houses most spacecraft systems
  - Provides high Isp propulsion for alpha asteroid rendezvous and redirection
  - Includes imagers for navigation and scientific data collection

- **Terminal Guidance Module**
  - Houses asteroid capture mechanism and internal sample instruments
  - Conducts final asteroid guidance maneuvers shortly before collision
  - High thrust propulsion for autonomous correction maneuvers
### Δv Budget

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Alpha asteroid rotating about the position vector between the two asteroids with period $T$ (3 min).

Note: $v_z \gg v_{\text{drift}}$
## Spacecraft Mass Estimates

### Instrumentation Module

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### Terminal Guidance Module

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Conclusion

- **2011 MD (alpha asteroid)**
  - Density: \(1.1 \text{ g/cm}^3\)
  - Diameter: \(6 \text{ m}\)
- **2010 PR_{10}**
  - Diameter: \(160 \text{ m}\)
- **Timeline**
  - Earth Departure: July 4, 2021
  - Rendezvous with Alpha asteroid: July 11 2021 - December 31, 2024
  - Impact velocity: \(6.6 \text{ km/s}\)
  - Collision: January 27, 2029
- **Budget**
  - \$1001M (FY 2014)
- **Mission Objectives**
  - Produce an “artificial” collision between two near-earth asteroids, testing an option for future planetary defense missions
  - Observe and confirm collision
  - Gather knowledge of asteroid physical properties
  - Gather knowledge of asteroid disruption dynamics
“HORIZONS Web-Interface”, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

“JPL Small-Body Database Browser”, NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory.


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- “National Space Science Data Center: Stardust/NExT”, NASA.
Backup Slides
Alpha to Beta Asteroid
Multi-Revolution Lambert Solver
Disruption vs. Deflection

Assumptions

Minimum detectible $\Delta v_\beta = 1 \frac{cm}{s}$

$m_\alpha = 130,000 \ kg$

$\rho_\beta = 1400 \frac{kg}{m^3}$

Deflection

$m_\alpha v_{rel} = m_\beta \Delta v_\beta$

$r_\beta = \left( \frac{m_\alpha v_{rel}}{\frac{1}{8} \pi \rho_\beta \Delta v_{min}} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

Disruption

$Q = \frac{E_\alpha}{m_\beta} = Q_\alpha^*$

$r_\beta = \left( \frac{\frac{1}{2} m_\alpha v_{rel}^2}{Q_\alpha^* \frac{1}{3} \pi \rho_\beta} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$
Earth to Alpha Asteroid Trajectory

Designed with EMTG.
Alpha Asteroid Apparent Magnitude
Beta Asteroid Apparent Magnitude

![Graph showing apparent magnitude vs. alpha distance from 2010 PR10 (km)]

- X: 9.7e+005
- Y: 13