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#### 持続可能なデブリ除去運用コンセプトと 商業デブリ除去実証フェーズⅡの技術実証シナリオの検討

Study of Technology Demonstration Scenarios of CRD2 Phase2
Aiming Sustainable Debris Removal

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JAXA の商業デブリ除去実証(CRD2)は、日本由来の大型デブリの除去を、民間企業と協力して実施することで、スペースデブリの積極的除去(Active Debris Removal: ADR)に係る国際的議論の具体的な進展と、日本企業の軌道上サービス市場における国際的競争力向上の実現を目指している。これら 2 つの目的を達するためには、CRD2 で実証するデブリ除去技術は、ビジネスとして持続可能である、つまり低コストであることが 1 つの要件となる。そこで具体的なターゲットを想定したうえで、将来の ADR 事業のアーキテクチャ及び運用コンセプトについてデブリ 1 個当たりの除去コストの観点で検討を行い、その結果に基づきCRD2フェーズ II の技術実証シナリオを検討した。

JAXA's Commercial Debris Removal Demonstration (CRD2) aims to improve the international competitiveness of Japanese companies in new markets such as the on-orbit service market and to lead concrete progress in international discussions on space debris removal (ADR) by removing large debris of Japanese origin in cooperation with the private sector. To achieve these two objectives, one of the requirements of the debris removal technology to be demonstrated in CRD2 is that it must be sustainable as a business, meaning that the practical use of the technology makes the debris removal feasible at low cost. This paper studies operational concept of the future ADR project with specific debris in terms of removal cost per piece of debris, and based on those studies, proposes technology demonstration scenarios of CRD2 phase2.

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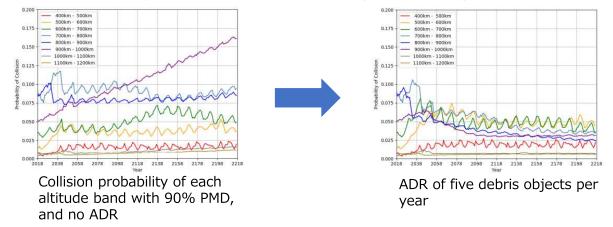
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#### Background

- Space debris has been increasing year by year and in the future is expected to interfere with human space activities.
- Removal of massive space debris in crowded orbit (800-1000km) is effective.



Kawamoto, Satomi, et al. "Impact on collision probability by post mission disposal and active debris removal." Journal of Space Safety Engineering 7.3 (2020): 178-191.

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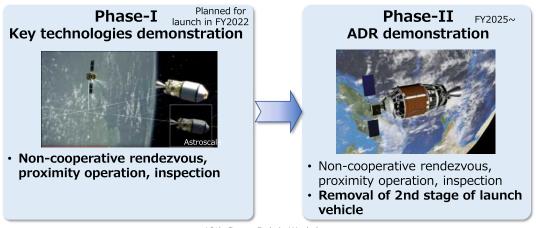
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# Commercial Removal of Debris Demonstration (CRD2)

Aiming at the world's first Active Debris Removal in partnership with private sectors

Demonstration of the removal of <u>large space debris</u> left in orbit in two phases

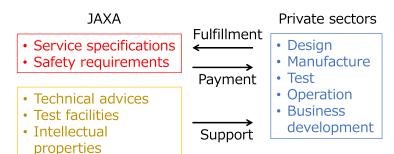
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#### New partnership-type contract



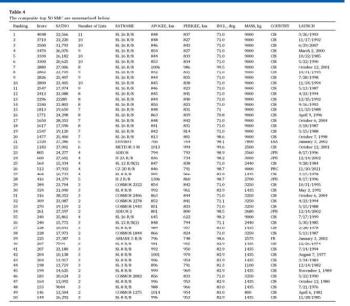
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- To achieve two objectives of CRD2, one of the requirements of the debris removal technology to be demonstrated in CRD2 is that it must be sustainable as a business, meaning that the practical use of the technology makes the debris removal feasible at low cost.
- The objective of this study is to study operational concept of the future ADR project with specific debris in terms of removal cost per piece of debris, and based on those studies, proposes technology demonstration scenarios of CRD2 phase2.

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### Concerning derelict objects



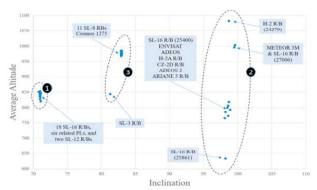


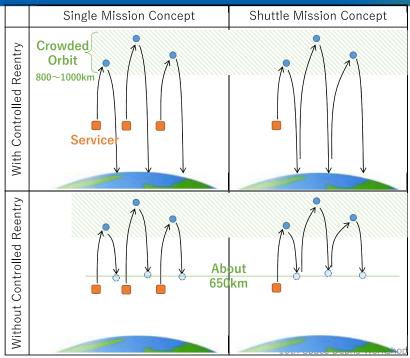
Fig. 6. Top 50 SMC objects are located in clumps that might aid in the efficient removal of them from orbit.

Target debris of this study are debris in nearsun-synchronous orbits at altitudes of approximately 800 km to 1000 km

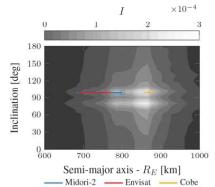
McKnight, Darren, et al. "Identifying the 50 statistically-most-concerning derelict objects in LEO." Acta Astronautica 181 (2021): 282-291.

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#### Future ADR architecture and operational concept



- Controlled reentry is performed to reduce the Expected Casualty Ec of the debris upon reentry.
- To improve the orbital environment, it is important to shift the debris that remains in the orbit for a long period of time to a short lifetime orbit.



Letizia, Francesca, et al. "Extending the ECOB space debris index with fragmentation risk estimation.", European space debris conference, 2017

#### Simple evaluation

• Targets are debris at an altitude of 900 km(Weight:3ton)

➤ To 350km : Electric propulsion

>To 200km : altitude decay due to atmospheric drag

ightharpoonup Reentry : continuous thrusting with chemical propulsion at 40 m/s

> If controlled reentry is not performed, the debris is released after descending to an altitude of 650 km.

 Electric propulsion is used for large orbit changes except controlled reentry, and the specific impulse is assumed to be 1600 s.

• Change in orbit altitude is assumed to be a transition from a circular to a circular orbit  $\overline{\mu}$   $\overline{\mu}$ 

 $\Delta v = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{r_2} - \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{r_1}}}$ 

• Rendezvous and nearby operations are performed by chemical propulsion. The specific impulse is assumed to be the worst-case value of 100 s, assuming pulse injection. The required  $\Delta V_{\rm r}$  is uniformly 100 m/s.

## Example of Estimated Required Propellant

■ Estimated propellant (2-debris removal Shuttle concept, with controlled re-entry)

Oncurtion		m/s]	Mass[kg]		Propellar		Electric Prop.	Nata
Operation	RCS	EP	Before	after	N2H4	Xe	Total impulse	Note
#1 rendezvous		262	1540	1514		26	4.0.E+05 [Ns]	500km→900km Rocket Injection Error Correction : 50m/s
#1 Prox. Operation	100		1514	1368	147			
#1 deorbit		297	4368	4199		82	1.3.E+06 [Ns]	900km→350km
#1 reentry	40		4286	4199	87			
Return to orbit	200		1199	1083	116			
#2 rendezvous		297	1083	1063		20	3.2.E+05 [Ns]	350km→900km
#2 Prox. Operation	100		1063	959	103			
#2 deorbit		297	3959	3885		74	1.2.E+06 [Ns]	900km→350km
#2 reentry	40		3885	3807	78			
Total	480	1152			531	202	3.2.E+06 [Ns]	
			Dry I	Mass	N2H4 Mass	Xe Mass		
			800	kg	535kg	205kg		

#### Satellite mass and cost estimates for each concept

Concept	Single	Sigle	Shuttle	Shuttle	Shuttle	
Number of removal debris	1	1	2	2	3	Note*1
Controlled Reentry	w/o	W	w/o	W	w/o	
Base Mass [kg] *2	200	250	250	643	405	Dry Mass without capture mechanism, electric propulsion, and tanks
Chemical propellant[kg]	35	120	90	535	210	
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Chemical Prop. Tank [kg]	4	12	9	54	21	Chemical propellant*0.1
Electrical Prop. Tank[kg]	6	12	11	33	19	Electrical propellant*0.16
Electrical Propulsion[kg]	37	43	42	64	50	Electrical propulsion subsystem (31kg (approximation)) +tank
Capture Mech.[kg]	40	40	40	40	40	Set in reference to JAXA Research
Dry Mass[kg]	280	345	341	800	516	
Wet Mass[kg]	350	540	501	1540	846	
Satellite Cost[million dollar]	49	58	58	105	77	model-based estimation
Launch Cost[million dollar]	11	16	15	46	25	\$30,000./kg
Removal cost per one debris [million dollar]	60	74	36	76	34	No precision in absolute values due to model-based estimation, used for relative evaluation

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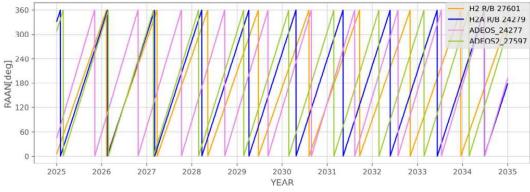
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## Example scenarios with specific targets

- Debris in near-sun-synchronous orbits at altitudes between 800 km and 1000 km have already lost their sun-synchronous nature.
- Example scenario of "Shuttle mission concept" with specific targets is illustrated by creating a simulated orbit with electric propulsion maneuvers taken into account.
  - Scenario 1: Japanese debris (ADEOS, ADEOS2, Rockets that launched them)
  - Scenario 2: ARIANE 40 R/B



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#### Maneuver logic for electrical propulsion

- · Control semi-major axis, inclination, and eccentricity vector simultaneously
- ullet Thrust Direction  $ec{T}$  : Linear sum of optimal thrust direction to change each orbit elements

$$\vec{T} = \sum_{COE} (1 - \delta_{COE_t,COE_s}) \frac{COE_t - COE_s}{\Delta COE_0} \vec{T}_{COE}$$

➤ Semi-major axis

$$\vec{T}_{SMA} = [\sin \alpha \quad \cos \alpha \quad 0]^T, \quad \alpha = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{e \sin \nu}{1 + e \cos \nu}\right)$$

$$\vec{T}_{INC} = [0 \quad \cos \beta \quad \sin \beta]^T, \quad \beta = \operatorname{sgn}(\cos(\omega + \nu))\frac{\pi}{2}$$

➤ Inclination

$$\vec{T}_{INC} = [0 \quad \cos \beta \quad \sin \beta]^T, \quad \beta = \operatorname{sgn}(\cos(\omega + \nu)) \frac{\pi}{2}$$

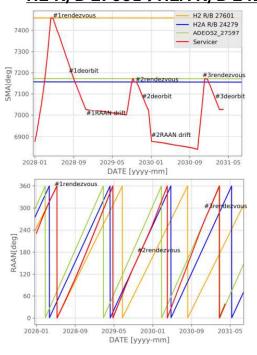
 $\triangleright$  Eccentricity vector  $\vec{T}_{EVEC} = (\vec{r} \times \vec{v}) \times \overrightarrow{\Delta_e} + (\overrightarrow{\Delta_e} \times \vec{v}) \times \vec{r}$ 

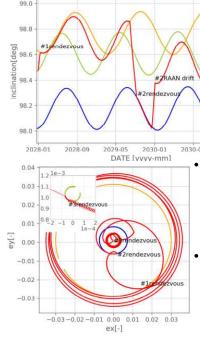
- vector considering only the orbit plane.  $\|\overrightarrow{\Delta_e}\|$  is used for  $COE_t - COE_s$  of eccentricity vector.
- The control of the RAAN is controlled using the difference in the orbit plane rotation speed (rate of change of the RAAN,  $\Delta\dot{\Omega}$ ) due to perturbation, instead of orbit control by maneuvers.
  - $\checkmark$  The semi-major axis and inclination can be changed to increase the value of  $\Delta\dot{\Omega}$ , if necessary. But the expected  $\Delta\dot{\Omega}$  is about several tens of degrees/year.
  - ✓ RAANs of debris to be targeted in the Shuttle mission concept should be close in value.

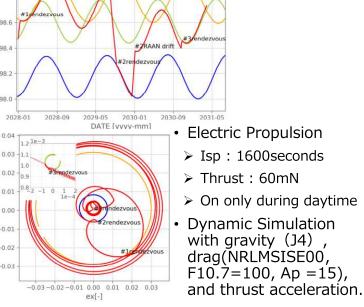
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## Scenario1: Japanese debris

#### H2 R/B 27601→H2A R/B 24279→ADEOS2



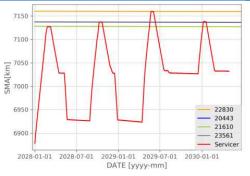


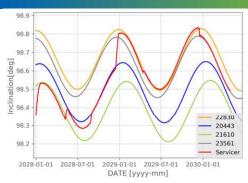


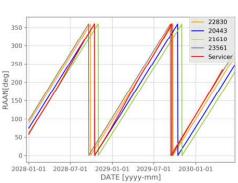
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Operation	RCS	EP	Before	after	N2H4	Xe	Total impulse	Note	
#1 rendezvous		469.3	800.0	776.4		23.59	3.70.E+05 [Ns]	Rocket injection(500km)→ H-2_RB_24279	
#1 Prox. Operation	100		776.4	701.1	75.3				
#1 deorbit		220.9	3701.1	3649.3		51.78	8.12.E+05 [Ns]	Descent to 650km	
#1 RAAN drift			649.3					Wait at 650km	
#2 rendezvous		362.5	649.3	634.5		14.84	2.33.E+05 [Ns]	Rendezvous to H- 2A_RB_27601	
#2 Prox. Operation	100		634.5	572.9	61.5				
#2 deorbit		68.4	3572.9	3557.4		15.56	2.44.E+05 [Ns]	Descent to 650km	
#2 RAAN drift		118.7	557.4	553.2		4.20	6.59.E+04 [Ns]	Descent to 500km for RAAN drift, inclination change close to inclination of the ADEOS2	
#3 rendezvous		279.9	553.2	543.4		9.79	1.53.E+05 [Ns]	Rendezvous to ADEOS2	
#3 Prox. Operation	100		543.4	490.7	52.7				
#3 deorbit		75.8	3490.7	3473.8		16.84	2.64.E+05 [Ns]	Descent to 650km	
Total	300	1595.5		10th 9	space <b>1:89</b> ri <b>6</b> Work	<b>.136.60</b>	2.14[MNs]	Dry Mass : 473.8kg	

## Scenario 2: ARIANE 40 R/B







- Electric Propulsion
  - ➤ Isp: 1600seconds
  - > Thrust: 60mN
  - > On only during daytime
- Dynamic Simulation with gravity (J4), drag(NRLMSISE00, F10.7=100, Ap =15), and thrust acceleration. Weight of ARIANE 40 R/B is 1780kg

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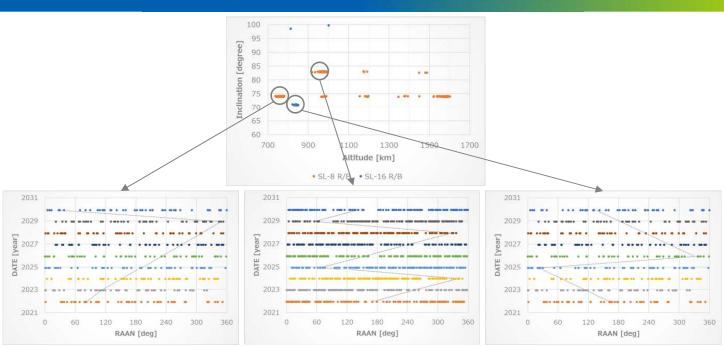
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#1 rendezvous		248.6	800.0	787.4		12.58	1.97.E+05 [Ns]	Rocket injection(500km)→ ARIANE_R/B_21610
#1 Prox. Operation	100		787.4	711.0	76.4			
#1 deorbit		54.7	2491.0	2482.4		8.67	1.36.E+05 [Ns]	Descent to 650km
#1 RAAN drift			702.4	699.6		2.78	4.36.E+04 [Ns]	Descent to 500km for RAAN drift, inclination change close to inclination of the 20433
#2 rendezvous		201.5	699.6	690.6		8.93	1.40.E+05 [Ns]	Rendezvous ARIANE_R/B_20443
#2 Prox. Operation	100		690.6	623.6	67.0			
#2 deorbit		68.1	2403.6	2393.2		10.42	1.63.E+05 [Ns]	Descent to 650km
#2 RAAN drift		77.2	613.2	610.2		3.01	4.72.E+04 [Ns]	Descent to 500km for RAAN drift, inclination change close to inclination of the 22830
#3 rendezvous		213.9	610.2	601.9		8.27	1.30.E+05 [Ns]	Rendezvous to ARIANE_R/B_22830
#3 Prox. Operation	100		601.9	543.6	58.4			
#3 deorbit		106.1	2323.6	2307.9		15.67	2.46.E+05 [Ns]	Descent to 650km
#3 RAAN drift		0.0	527.9	527.9		0.00	0.00.E+00 [Ns]	Wait at 650km
#4 rendezvous		145.5	527.9	523.0		4.88	7.65.E+04 [Ns]	Rendezvous to ARIANE_R/B_23561
#4 Prox. Operation	100		523.0	472.3	50.7			
#4 deorbit		59.2	2252.3	2243.8		8.49	1.33.E+05 [Ns]	Descent to 650km
Total	400	1174.9			252.5	83.71	1.31[MNs]	Dry Mass : 464kg

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## Discussion on Russian Rockets



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#### Summary

- One important requirement for the debris removal technology to be demonstrated in CRD2 is that it must be low-cost to the extent that it is sustainable.
- The architecture and operational concept of future ADR projects were studied from the perspective of debris removal cost per piece, and the **Shuttle mission concept**, which removes multiple pieces of debris with a single service satellite without controlled re-entry, was confirmed to be advantageous.
- The feasibility of this concept was confirmed for specific targets.
- For the CRD2 Phase II technical demonstration scenario, it is appropriate to set the service requirements based on the main technical items to be demonstrated, such as **capture and grasp**, **descent into orbit**, **and release (without controlled re-entry)**.

Requirements	Contents						
General Requirements	Acquisition and provision of position, velocity, attitude, angular velocity, and navigation sensor data of the satellite and target debris during the service period						
Observation Service	Acquisition and provision of camera images when approaching target debris						
Orbit Descent Service	Orbital descent of target debris (The target altitude is still under consideration.)						
Termination Service	Safe release of debris after orbit descent						

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