

One-shot Outer Solar System Exploration with Adaptive Space Systems

Nov 3-7, 2025 Overview Schedule

Monday, November 3, 2025 Broad 100 Lecture Hall - Caltech

Short Course: One Shot to Glory: Designing Adaptive Missions to the Outer Solar System and Beyond

Time	Event	Speaker		
8:15 - 8:45	Coffee and Refreshments			
8:45 - 8:50	Welcome and Logistics	Harriet Brettle		
8:50 - 9:10	Introduction and Context	Team Leads		
9:10 - 9:45	Unsolved Mysteries in the Solar System	Morgan Cable		
9:45 - 10:20	Systems Engineering Challenges for Designing a One-Shot Mission	Alejandro Salado Diez		
10:20 - 10:50	Break			
10:50 - 11:25	Adaptive Robotics Technologies 1: Hardware	Maria Sarkovsky		
11:25 - 12:00	Adaptive Robotics Technologies 2: Intelligence	Yisong Yue		
12:00 - 12:35	Adaptation and Plasticity in Nature	Shane Campbell-Staton		
12:35 - 1:30	Short Course Ends: Informal Lunch is provided in the Keck Center Courtyard			
Invitation-Only Workshop Begins Keck Center - Think Tank, Room 155				
1:30 - 1:45	Walk to Keck Center, pick up badge and welcome packet, find seat in the Think Tank			
1:45 - 2:30	Workshop Logistics and Introduction to KISS	Harriet Brettle		
2:30 - 3:00	Participant Introductions	Harriet Brettle		
3:00 - 3:15	Study vision: Exploration of unvisited worlds	Team Leads		
3:15 - 3:45	Break			
3:45 - 4:30	Finalize study vision and workshop goals via plenary discussion	Team Leads		
4:30 - 4:40	Lightning Talk Overview	Team Leads		
4:40 - 5:30	Caltech Lab Tour: Soon-Jo's Lab + CAST	Team Leads		
5:30 - 6:00	Walk to dinner	All		
6:00	Dinner at a local restaurant in Pasadena			

Tuesday, November 4, 2025 - Keck Center - Think Tank, Room 155				
Time	Event	Speaker		
8:00 - 8:30	Institute Opens - FREE THINK TIME			
8:30 - 9:00	Coffee and Refreshments at Keck Center			
9:00 - 9:15	Logistics and Team Lead Goals for the Day	Harriet Brettle and Team Leads		
9:15 - 10:00	Talk: Stories and lessons from past missions - a briefing from JPL's Blue Sky study	Hiro Ono, Rich Rieber, Mitch Ingham, Matthieu Choukron, Dani Selva		
10:00 - 10:45	Lightning Talks (1) - My flight mission experiences - surprises, anomalies, and adaptation	Participants with flight mission experiences		
10:45 - 11:15	Break			
11:15 - 12:15	Plenary Discussion: Design principles for RSE 3.0: how can we <i>design</i> adaptability?	Dani Selva		
12:15-12:30	Introduction to Breakout Groups and Topics			
12:30 - 2:00	Group Picture and Lunch at TBC			
2:00 - 3:30	Breakout Group 1: RSE 3.0 Mission Concept Development (tentatively): - Icy moon orbiter-lander-rover-subsurface - Fflyby mission + probe TBC - Interstellar/Oort cloud	Groups		
3:30 - 4:00	Carpool to JPL			
4:00 - 5:30	JPL Tour			
5:30	OPTIONAL: No-Host Dinner in Pasadena			

Wednesday, November 5, 2025 - Keck Center - Think Tank, Room 155			
8:00 - 8:30	Institute Opens - FREE THINK TIME		
8:30 - 9:00	Coffee and Refreshments at Keck Center		
9:00 - 9:15	Logistics and Team Lead Goals for the Day	Harriet Brettle and Team Leads	
9:15 - 9:45	Report Outs from Breakout Groups (10 mins each)	Groups	
9:45 - 10:15	Talk: emerging technologies for adaptability - a briefing from JPL's Blue Sky study	Hiro Ono, Rich Rieber, Mitch Ingham, Matthieu Choukron	
10:15 - 10:45	Lightning Talks (2) - emerging technologies for adaptability	Participants	
10:45 - 11:15	Break		
11:15 - 12:00	Plenary discussion - key technology gaps for RSE 3.0 / selection of breakouts	Plenary	
12:00 - 12:30	Group Pulse: "Taking Away" & "Want to Accomplish Yet"		
12:30 - 2:00	Lunch at the Keck Center		
2:00 - 3:30	Breakout Group 2 - Design a research program for bridging the key missing capabilities (including funding considerations)	All	
3:30 - 4:00	Break		
4:00 - 4:45	Report outs from breakout groups (15 mins each)	Groups	
4:45 - 5:30	Writing Sprint following Breakout Session 2	Groups	
5:30 - 7:30	POSTER SESSION and Informal dinner at the Keck Center (dinner starts at 6:30 pm)		

Thursday, November 6, 2025 - Keck Center - Think Tank, Room 155				
8:00 - 8:30	Institute Opens - FREE THINK TIME			
8:30 - 9:00	Coffee and Refreshments at Keck Center			
9:00 - 9:15	Logistics and Team Lead Goals for the Day	Harriet Brettle and Team Leads		
9:15 - 9:45	Special Talk: RSE 2.0 Systems Engineering for Space Missions	Rob Manning		
9:45 - 10:15	Lightning talks (3) - New systems engineering approaches (No Q&A) - Alex - Marie - Andreas - Dani - Mitch	Selected participants		
10:15 - 10:45	Break			
10:45 - 11:00	Breakout - goals and process	All		
11:00 - 12:30	Breakout Groups (3) - RSE 3.0 Systems Engineering Approach - Science definition - Designing for dynamic requirements - conceptual design - Designing for dynamic requirements - V&V	All		
12:30 - 2:00	Lunch on your own	Lunch on your own		
2:00 - 2:30	Report outs from breakout groups (10 mins each)	Groups		
2:30 - 2:45	Breakout - goal and process	All		
2:45 - 3:30	Breakout (4) Part 1 - Refine mission concepts. Goal: CONOPS definition			
3:30 - 4:00	Break			
4:00 - 4:45	Breakout (4) Part 2 - Refine mission concepts. Goal: CONOPS definition	Groups		
4:45 - 5:30	Path forward to 2nd workshop	All		
5:30 - 6:00	Walk over to the Athenaeum	All		
6:00	Closing Dinner at the Athenaeum			

Friday, November 7, 2025 - Keck Center - Think Tank, Room 155			
Time	Event	Speaker	
8:00 - 8:30	Institute Opens - FREE THINK TIME		
8:30 - 9:00	Coffee and Refreshments at Keck Center		
9:00 - 9:15	Logistics and Team Lead Goals for the Day	Harriet Brettle and Team Leads	
9:15 - 10:00	Breakout Groups Report Out (15 min x 3)	All	
10:00 - 10:45	Writing Sprint following Breakout Sessions 3 & 4	All	
10:45 - 11:15	Break		
11:15 - 12:00	Open Discussion of Recommendations Disscussion on Final Report, publication plan, action items	All	
12:00 - 12:30	Workshop Closeout	Harriet Brettle	
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch at Keck Center		
13:30 - 5:00	Optional group collaboration/individual writing	All (optional)	
12:30 - 13:30	Institute closes		