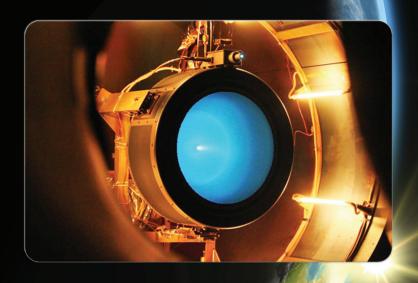
## Advanced NEXT

High Thrust Configuration of NASA's Evolutionary Xenon Thruster



AEROJET / ROCKETDYNE The Advanced NEXT thruster, currently in development with NASA and the U.S. Space Force, is a high-thrust variant of NASA's Evolutionary Xenon Thruster — Commercial (NEXT-C). The Advanced NEXT system, including a power processing unit in development with our partner ZIN Technologies, will operate at over 7.6 kW input power with a thrust of 327 mN at 2900 s specific impulse. The increased thrust will enable a new range of capability for faster orbit transfers in near-Earth and cis-lunar operations, while maintaining high total impulse for high delta-V missions and high specific impulse to conserve propellant mass.

## System Performance

Input Voltage Range

Total Impulse > 29.4 MN-s (target)

System Efficiency

Up to 0.63 at 7.9 kW input power

Mass

< 50 kg (not including XFC)

Life Capability

> 15 yrs

95 V - 105 V



## Ion Thruster

Propellant

Mass

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Low Power Performance

High Isp Performance

High Thrust Performance

Thruster Efficiency

Xenon

< 14 kg

700 mm (diam) X 480 mm (height)

73 mN, 2840 s (1.94 kW input to PPU) 299 mN, 3370 s (7.87 kW input to PPU)

327 mN, 2900 s (7.66 kW input to PPU)

Up to 0.67 at 7.9 kW input power

## **Power Processing Unit**

Mass

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Efficiency

Command Interface

Input Power

Features

< 36 kg

410 mm X 510 mm X 140 mm

> 93.5% (at 7.9 kW input power)

RS-485

1.9 kW - 7.9 kW

Flexible, individual power supply commands, monitoring and automated fault protection, continuous throttling over wide range

