

SIRTF / CTA Thermal Vacuum Test Science Instrument Ground Support Cables

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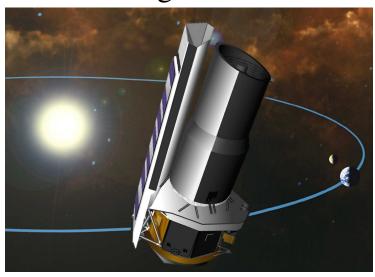


Space
InfraRed
Telescope
Facility



85 cm Primary Mirror

Earth-Trailing Heliocentric Orbit



BATC's Contribution Cryogenic Telescope Assembly

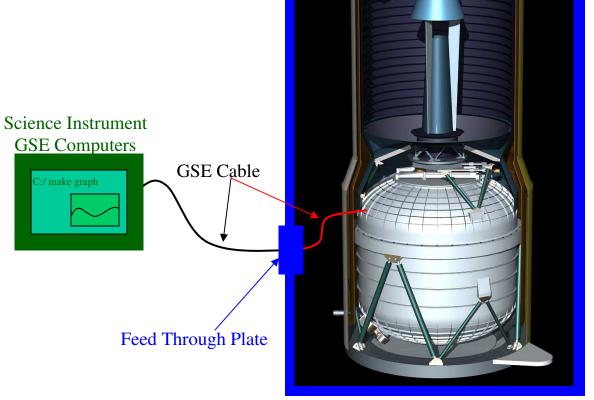






Thermal Vacuum Chamber

Design and fabricate ground support cables for the science instruments to be used during the thermal vacuum test





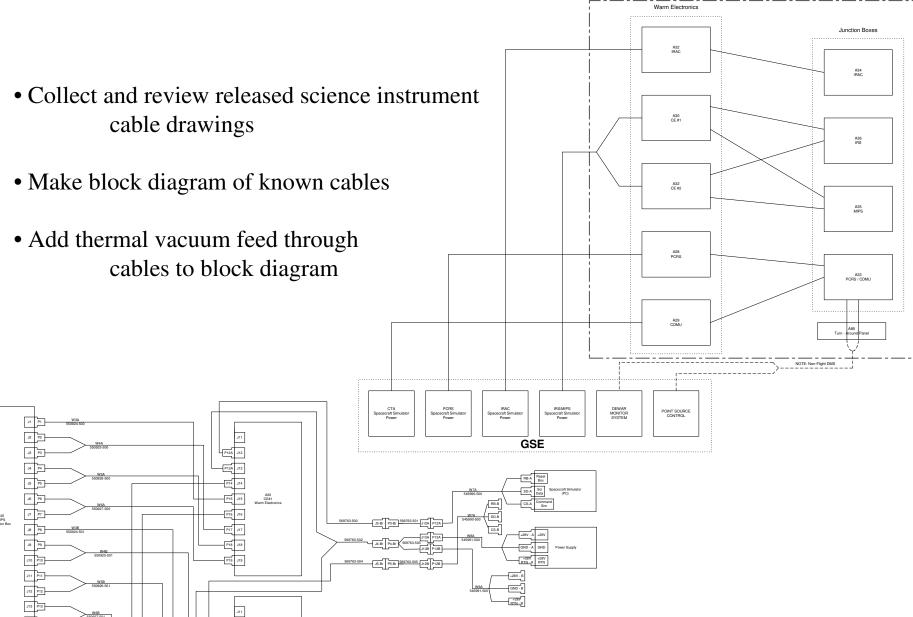
- 1. Diagram layout of science instrument GSE cables
- 2. Design GSE feed through cables for thermal vacuum test
- 3. Assist production in cable fabrication
- 4. Assist during installation of science instrument GSE cables





Science Instrument GSE Cable Layout



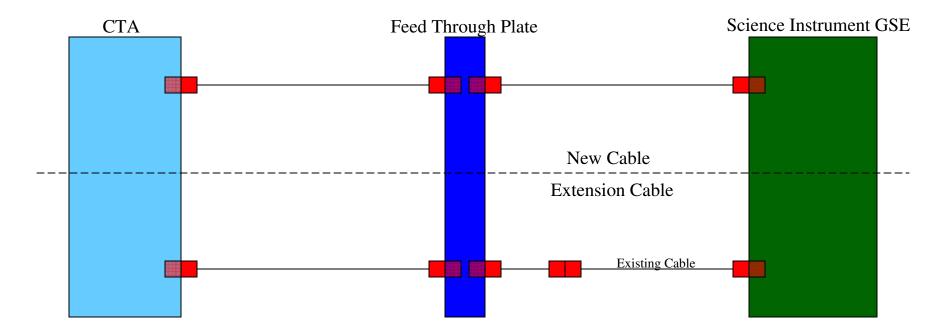




Design Thermal Vacuum Feed Through Cables



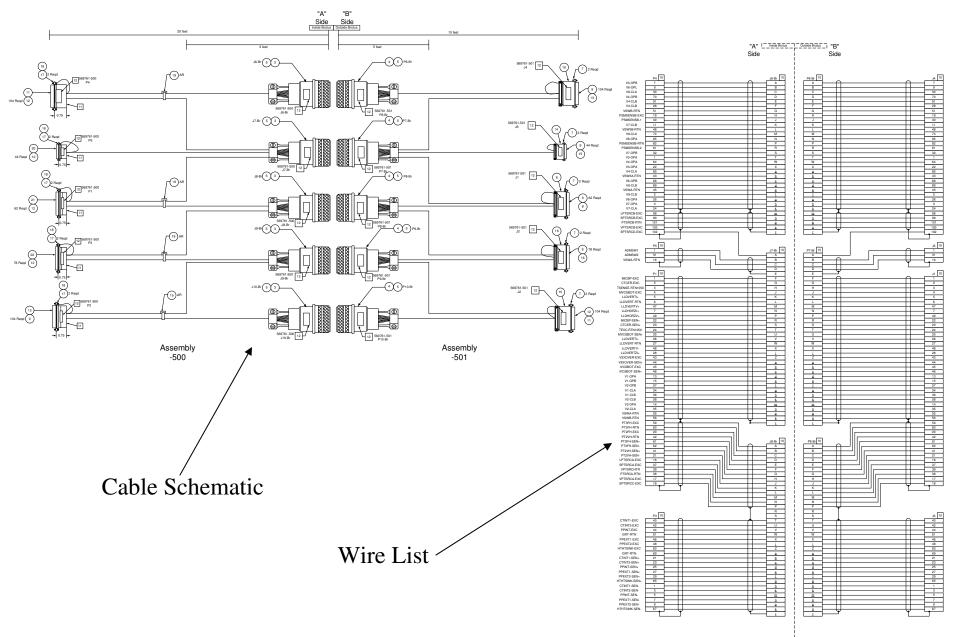
- Review drawings for GSE cables currently in use
- Decide which cables will be remade and which will have extension cable made
- Arrange wires in cables into bundles no greater than 37 (The thermal vacuum feed though connectors have 37 pins)
- Draft current GSE cables with 37 pin connector in the middle





Cable Design Example



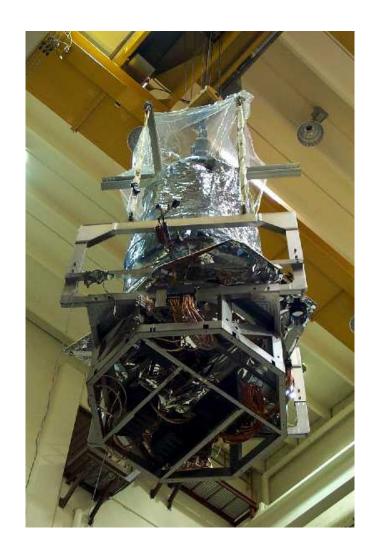




Assist Production in Cable Fabrication



- Collect parts
- Modify production specifications on drawings to meet time requirements
- Clarify and correct drafting errors
- Release drawings





Assist During Installation







Life After Science Instrument GSE Cables



- Designed multiple GSE cables for the optical and cryogenics equipment
- Laid out the science instrument GSE in the BRUTUS area
- Installed temperature sensors to monitoring during the thermal vacuum test
- Assisted the optical test team with initial setup/testing





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