

SpaceNet 2.5r2 Quick Start Tutorial



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INTRODUCTION

The goal of this quick start tutorial is to rapidly introduce users to the core concepts of SpaceNet through realistic, but notional scenarios. It is organized in two separate scenarios, representing the natural progression from analysis to abstraction to analysis. A user with no prior experience in SpaceNet should allocate at least an hour to input and absorb each of the two quick start scenarios – of course much more time could be spent delving into the various details and trades diverging from the given scenario.

The first quick start scenario focuses solely on the transportation architecture of a proposed lunar mission. The sole resource that is inspected in great detail is propellant for various propulsive vehicles, and the only analysis performed is the capability to achieve the required impulsive burns to reach the destination (Lunar South Pole) with a deliverable mass of cargo, and return with a mass of samples.

The second quick start scenario takes the results from the first, and abstracts the individual impulsive burns into a flight, which allows the transport of a specified amount of mass and crew to a destination under the assumption that the flight architecture has been shown to close in previous analysis. Using this abstraction, it becomes much more feasible to analyze a multi-mission campaign, and the user is introduced to several methods of demand modeling and the challenge of manifesting demands. The analysis is focused on closing the logistics loop to the Lunar South Pole and maximizing the exploration capability.

It should be noted that the procurement of data and formatting for compatibility, a large portion of the creation of SpaceNet scenarios, is completely omitted from this guide. As is with all systems-level analysis, the results are only as good as the inputs (the garbage-in, garbage-out phenomenon), and the acquisition of accurate data for complex space systems is always a challenge. Before creating a custom scenario from scratch, it is highly recommended to read Appendices A and B of the SpaceNet User's Guide, which introduce users to the representation of data within SpaceNet and how this structure is expressed via the database.

Finally, advanced, highly-customized scenarios will inevitably encounter lapses in the SpaceNet data model, at which point custom programming is required. At this point, the user should reference the SpaceNet source code and Javadoc for help in this endeavor.

SCENARIO 1: LUNAR TRANSPORTATION ARCHITECTURE

The first quick-start tutorial scenario is focused on analyzing a proposed transportation architecture for a return to the moon. This analysis focuses on the propulsive feasibility of transporting a crew of four and a specified launch mass from Earth to Lunar South Pole.

The analysis is very detailed in terms of required delta-v for propulsive burns, including both OMS (Orbital Maneuvering System) and RCS (Reaction Control System) capabilities, and for that reason is fairly time-intensive. For scenarios where the transportation architecture is known to close, it is recommended to use the concept of flights, where this level of detail is not required (See Scenario 2: Lunar Outpost Architecture).

Database Inputs

For this quick-start tutorial, the required data is already included with the packaged database quick_start_1.xls. Relevant information includes the following:

1. Nodes

- a. **KSC** (Kennedy Space Center) – Surface node
- b. **LSP** (Lunar South Pole) – Surface node
- c. **PAC** (Pacific Ocean Splash-down) – Surface node
- d. **LEO** (Low-Earth Orbit) – Orbital node
- e. **LLPO** (Low-Lunar Polar Orbit) – Orbital node

2. Edges

- a. **KSC-LEO** (Earth ascent, 1 propulsive burn) – Space edge
- b. **LEO-LLPO** (Trans-Lunar injection, Lunar orbit injection, 4 propulsive burns) – Space edge
- c. **LLPO-LSP** (Lunar descent, 2 propulsive burns) – Space edge
- d. **LSP-LLPO** (Lunar ascent, 2 propulsive burns) – Space edge
- e. **LLPO-PAC** (Trans-Earth injection, 5 propulsive burns) – Space edge

3. Resources

- a. **PBAN Solid** (Solid rocket fuel) – Continuous resource
- b. **LH2/LOX** (Liquid hydrogen/liquid oxygen cryogenic fuel) – Continuous resource
- c. **MMH/N2O4** (Hypergolic fuel) – Continuous resource

4. Elements

- a. **Ares I First Stage** – Propulsive vehicle with OMS capabilities
- b. **Ares I Upper Stage** – Propulsive vehicle with OMS capabilities
- c. **Orion Service Module (SM)** – Propulsive vehicle with OMS/RCS capabilities (one tank)
- d. **Orion Crew Module (CM)** – Propulsive vehicle with RCS capabilities
- e. **Orion Launch Abort System (LAS)** – Carrier element
- f. **Ares V Solid Rocket Boosters (SRBs)** – Propulsive vehicle with OMS capabilities
- g. **Ares V Core** – Propulsive vehicle with OMS capabilities
- h. **Earth Departure System (EDS)** – Propulsive vehicle with OMS capabilities
- i. **Altair Descent Module (DM)** – Propulsive vehicle with OMS and RCS capabilities
- j. **Altair Ascent Module (AM)** – Propulsive vehicle with OMS/RCS capabilities (one tank)
- k. **Notional Cargo** – Notional element to represent cargo
- l. **Lunar Surface Samples** – Element representing samples returned from the lunar surface

Scenario Creation

The first few steps in creating a SpaceNet scenario include setting global parameters such as the simulation start date and loading the data from the desired data source. Additional options for simulation performance and constraints are also available from the Edit > Options menu. Please reference the SpaceNet user's guide for details on these additional options.

1. Launch SpaceNet 2.5
2. Select File > New to create a new scenario
3. At the top of the screen, input the following into the scenario header:
 - Name: Quick Start Scenario 1
 - Start Date: July 1, 2019
 - Created By: (Your Name)
 - Description: A sample scenario analyzing the transportation feasibility of a lunar mission.

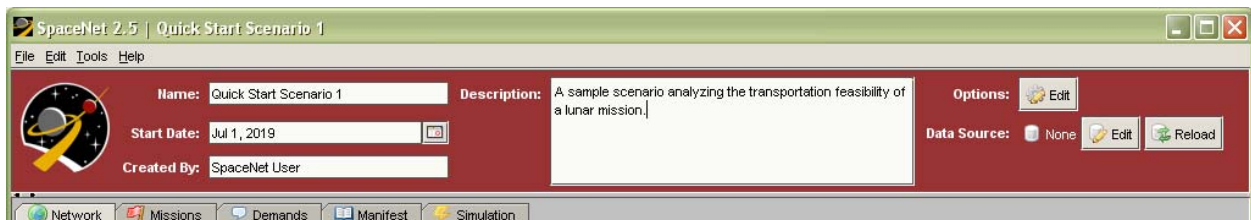


Figure 1. The completed scenario header.

4. To set the data source, click the button marked “Edit” near the top of the screen
5. Choose the “SpaceNet 2.5 (Excel)” data source type from the drop-down menu

SpaceNet scenarios use a data source to store information on the network components (nodes and edges), customizable resources used in demands, and element templates. The Excel-based data source uses several tabs of a spreadsheet to form a simple database. Note that there is no inherent validation built into Excel, so data should be checked and validated before using in a scenario.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
	id	type	name	body_1	latitude	longitude	apoapsis	periapsis	inclination	body_2	lp_number	description	
2	1	Surface	KSC	Earth	28.6	-80.6						Kennedy Space Center	
3	2	Surface	PAC	Earth	35	-117.9						Pacific Ocean Splash-down	
4	3	Surface	LSP	Moon	-89.9	-180						Lunar South Pole	
5	4	Orbital	LEO	Earth			296	296	28.5			Low Earth Orbit	
6	5	Orbital	LLPO	Moon			100	100	90			Low Lunar Polar Orbit	
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Figure 2. A view of the 'nodes' table in the quick start 1 Excel database.

6. Browse to find and load the quick_start_1.xls file
7. If the data source doesn't load automatically, check the Nodes, Edges, and Resources and click the “Load” button

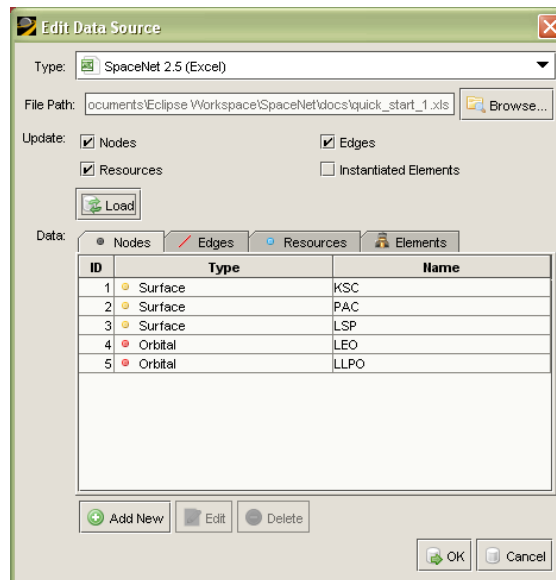


Figure 3. The data source dialog after loading data from the quick start 1 database.

8. Click “OK” to return to the Network tab

During the construction of a scenario, if changes are made to the database you must re-load the data source to update SpaceNet by re-opening the data source dialog window and clicking the “Load” button. Any new nodes, edges, or resources will be automatically added, but existing values will only be overwritten if the associated check box is checked. The only exception to this rule is with elements – due to the complex structure of element data structures and multiple instantiations with potentially different attributes, only previews of elements are loaded initially. The full data structures for elements are only loaded when initialized in a Create Elements event. For this reason, there is an additional option to update instantiated elements to push updates to already-instantiated elements.

Network Selection

Upon setting the data source, the network should be auto-filtered to match the selected scenario type, a lunar scenario by default. In this case, all of the nodes and edges will be used in the scenario. Additional information on specific nodes and edges can be accessed by clicking to select an item.

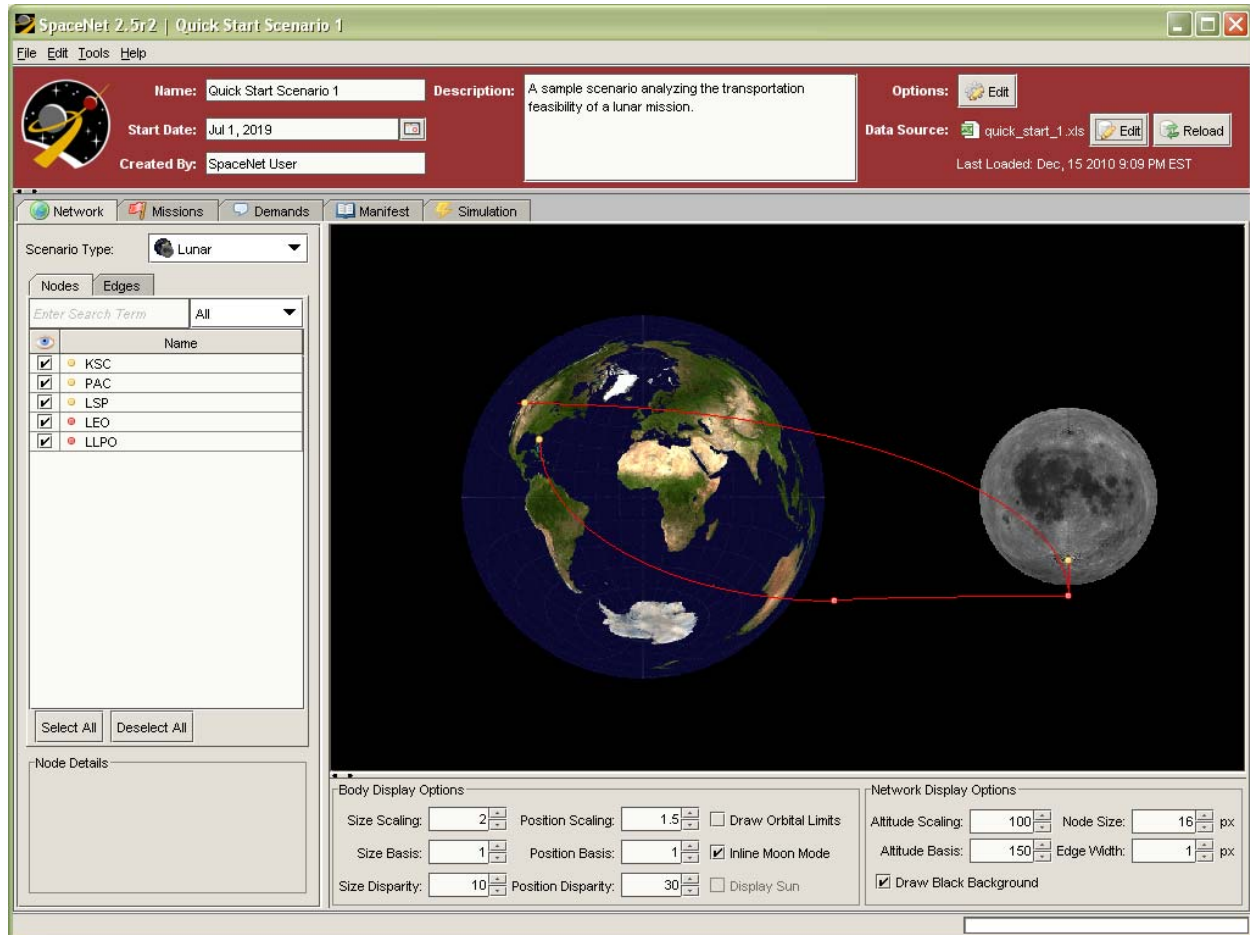


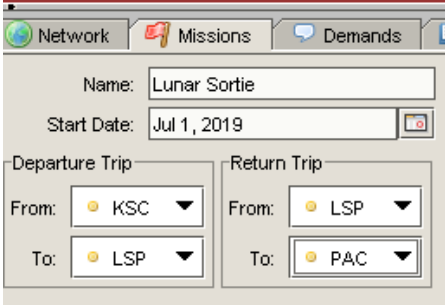
Figure 4. A view of the Network Tab overlaying the scenario network on the Earth-Moon system.

Mission Creation

After setting the network, switch to the **Missions Tab**. The missions tab is used to define the set of missions that operate on the scenario network. Although not a strict definition, a mission usually corresponds to one crew rotation or one transport of supplies.

Each mission is assigned a start date and nodes of reference corresponding to the departure and return (if necessary) trips. These nodes are used for internal calculations of transit and surface durations. Mission-level demand models can also be assigned to missions and are introduced in quick start scenario 2. Finally, each mission has a set of events that are executed to perform mission tasks such as element instantiation, transportation, and exploration.

1. Click the “Add” button under the missions list to create a new mission
2. Input the following mission information:
 - Name: Lunar Sortie
 - Start Date: July 1, 2019
 - Departure Trip: From: KSC To: LSP
 - Return Trip: From: LSP To: PAC



The screenshot shows the 'Missions' tab in the SpaceNet 2.5r2 software. The 'Name' field is 'Lunar Sortie' and the 'Start Date' is 'Jul 1, 2019'. Under 'Departure Trip', 'From' is 'KSC' and 'To' is 'LSP'. Under 'Return Trip', 'From' is 'LSP' and 'To' is 'PAC'. The interface includes tabs for 'Network', 'Missions', and 'Demands' at the top.

Figure 5. The completed mission information.

First Launch Stack Instantiation

The first events will be an instantiation of the first launch stack (Ares I) at KSC. This will be achieved with two separate Create Elements events, one to instantiate the launch stack, and the other to instantiate the crew inside the crew module.

1. First, to instantiate the launch stack, click “Add Event” at the bottom of the screen and choose “Create Elements”
2. Add the following elements from the Element Library:
 - Ares I First Stage (Propulsive Vehicle)
 - Ares I Upper Stage (Propulsive Vehicle)
 - Orion SM (Propulsive Vehicle)
 - Orion CM (Propulsive Vehicle)
 - Orion LAS (Carrier)
3. Click “OK” to save the event
4. Next, to add the crew members to the crew module, click “Add Event” and choose “Create Elements” again
5. Change the “Create in” field from “KSC” to “Lunar | Orion CM”
6. Add four copies of the Crew Member element from the Element Library
7. Click “OK” to save the event

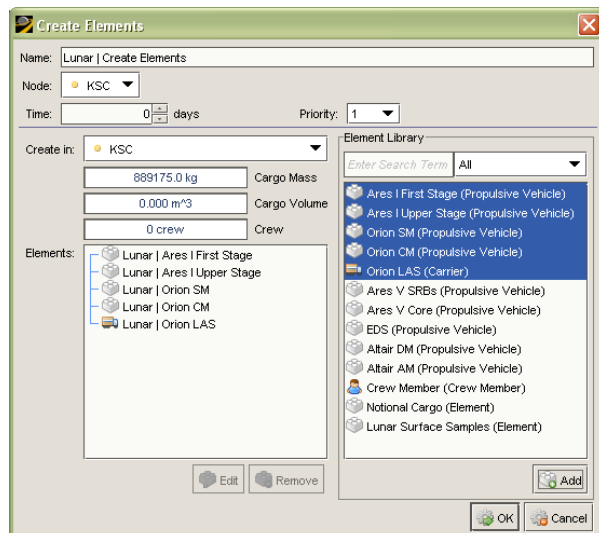


Figure 6. The completed event to initialize the Ares I launch stack.

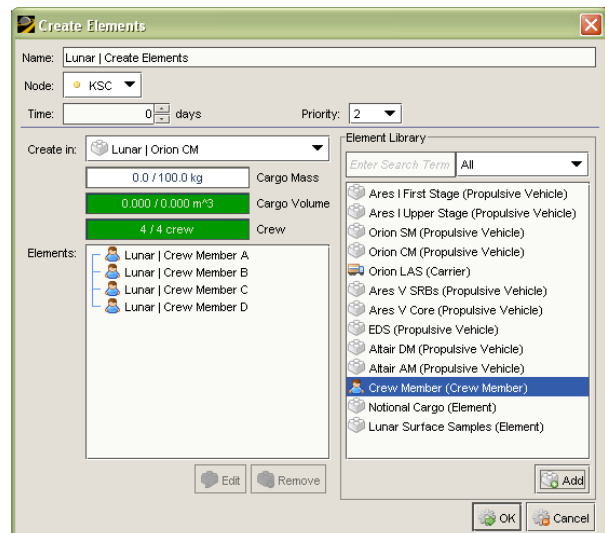


Figure 7. The completed event to create the crew in the crew module.

First Launch

After instantiating the launch stack at KSC, we will immediately launch it into orbit at LEO using a space transport.

1. Click “Add Event” and choose “Space Transport”
2. Check all five elements to be included in the launch stack
3. Provide the burn/stage sequence to achieve the required 9500 m/s delta-v by selecting the proper elements and clicking the “Burn” and “Stage” buttons:
 - **Burn** Ares I First Stage
 - **Stage** Ares I First Stage
 - **Stage** Orion LAS
 - **Burn** Ares I Upper Stage
 - **Stage** Ares I Upper Stage
4. Press the “OK” button to save the event

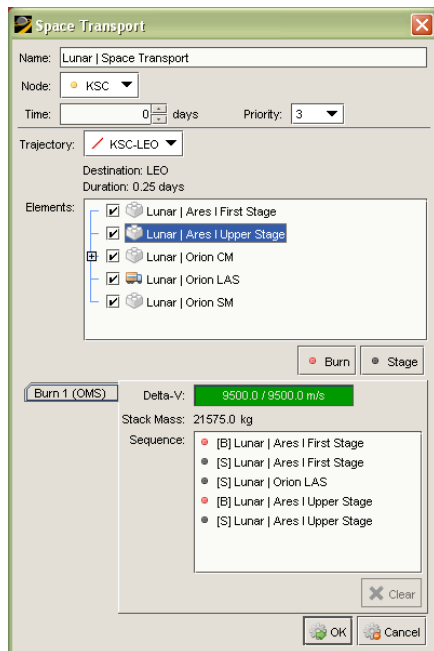


Figure 8. The completed event to launch the Ares I stack.

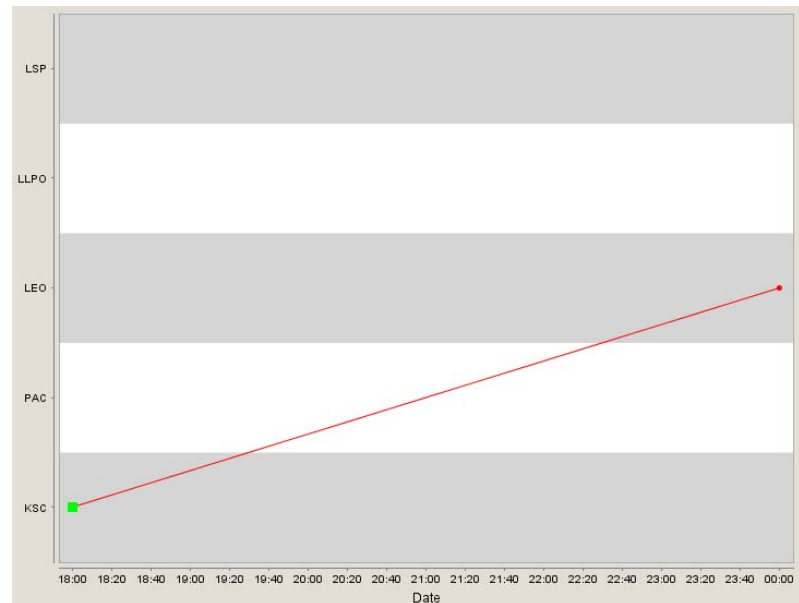


Figure 9. After creating the first space transport, the mission bat chart illustrates the transport of the launch stack from KSC to LEO.

Second Launch Stack Instantiation

Now that the Orion vehicles and crew are in orbit, we will instantiate the second launch stack (Ares V), including the Altair vehicles, at KSC. Similar to adding crew, this will also require two separate events in order to correctly represent a notional cargo element.

1. First, to instantiate the launch stack, click “Add Event” and choose “Create Elements”
2. Change the Node to KSC
3. Change the Time to 1.0
4. Add the following elements from the Element Library:
 - Ares V SRBs (Propulsive Vehicle)
 - Ares V Core (Propulsive Vehicle)
 - EDS (Propulsive Vehicle)
 - Altair DM (Propulsive Vehicle)
 - Altair AM (Propulsive Vehicle)
5. Click “OK” to save the event
6. Next, to add the cargo element, click “Add Event” and choose “Create Elements” again
7. Change the “Create in” field from “KSC” to “Lunar | Altair DM”
8. Add a copy of the “Notional Cargo” element from the element library
9. Click “OK” to save the event

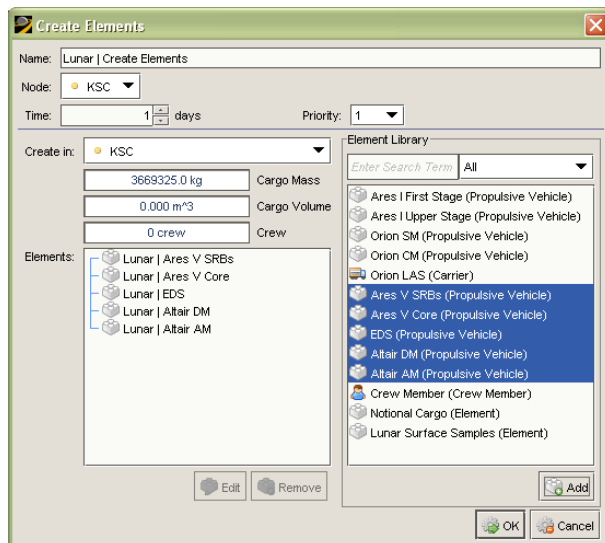


Figure 10. Completed event to initialize the Ares V launch stack.

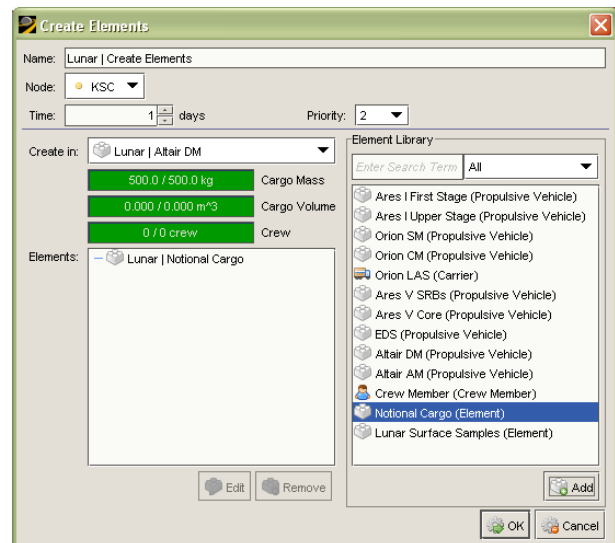


Figure 11. Completed event to create the notional cargo inside the Altair descent module.

Second Launch

Just as in the first launch, we will immediately launch the second stack into orbit at LEO using a space transport.

1. Click “Add Event” and choose “Space Transport”
2. Check all five elements to be included in the launch stack
3. Provide the burn/stage sequence to achieve the required 9500 m/s delta-v by selecting the proper elements and clicking the “Burn” and “Stage” buttons:
 - **Burn** Ares V SRBs
 - **Stage** Ares V SRBs
 - **Burn** Ares V Core
 - **Stage** Ares V Core
 - **Burn** EDS
4. Press the “OK” button to save the event

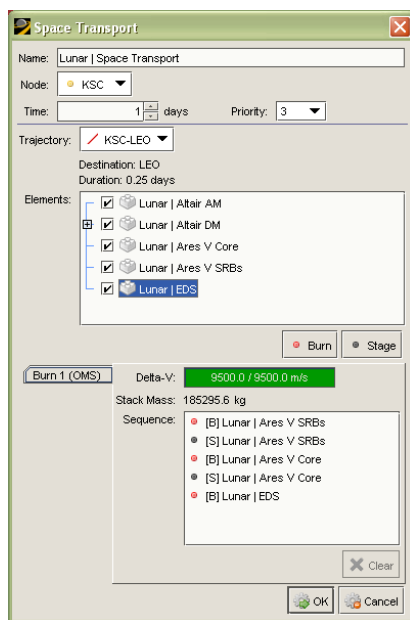


Figure 12. Completed event to launch the Ares V stack.

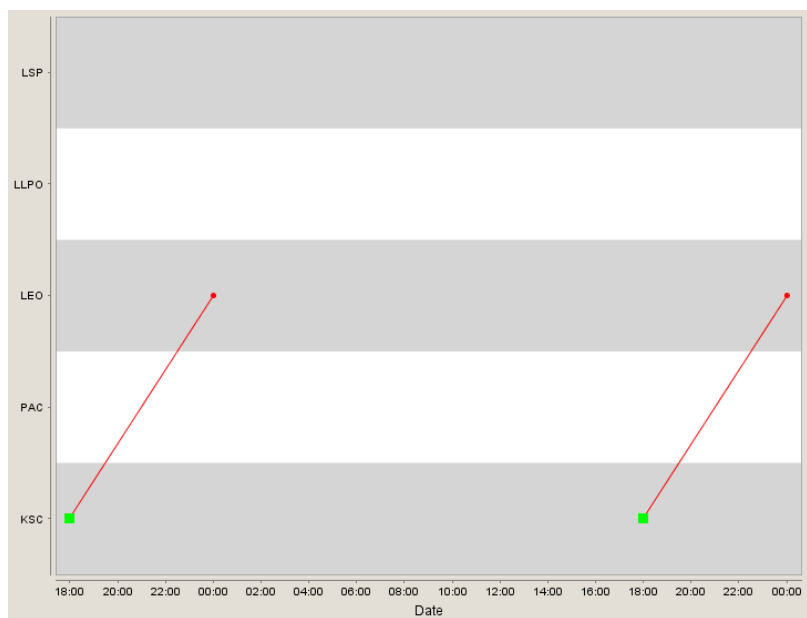


Figure 13. The mission bat chart illustrates the dual launches to LEO.

Trans-Lunar Injection, Lunar Orbit Injection

Now that vehicles from both launch stacks are in low Earth orbit, they can be coupled in future events such as the lunar orbit injection transport. Although not presented in this scenario, if you want to model proximity operations such as orbit circularization, docking, or undocking, you can use individual “Propulsive Burn” events.

1. Click “Add Event” and choose “Space Transport”
2. Change the Time to 2.0
3. Check all five elements (Altair AM, Altair DM, EDS, Orion CM, and Orion SM) to be included in the launch stack
4. Provide the burn/stage sequence for the first burn (3150 m/s, Trans-Lunar Injection):
 - **Burn** EDS
 - **Stage** EDS
5. Click “Burn 2 (RCS)” and provide the burn/stage sequence (2 m/s, mid-course corrections):
 - **Burn** Altair DM
6. Click “Burn 3 (RCS)” and provide the burn/stage sequence (2 m/s, mid-course corrections):
 - **Burn** Altair DM
7. Click “Burn 4 (OMS)” and provide the burn/stage sequence (950 m/s, Lunar Orbit Injection):
 - **Burn** Altair DM
8. Press the “OK” button to save the event

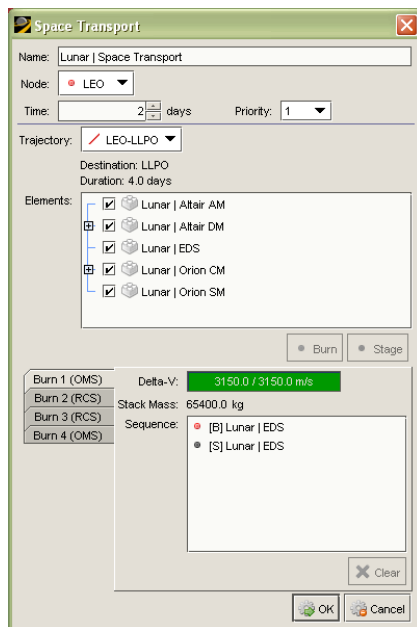


Figure 14. Completed event to perform the TLI/LOI transport.

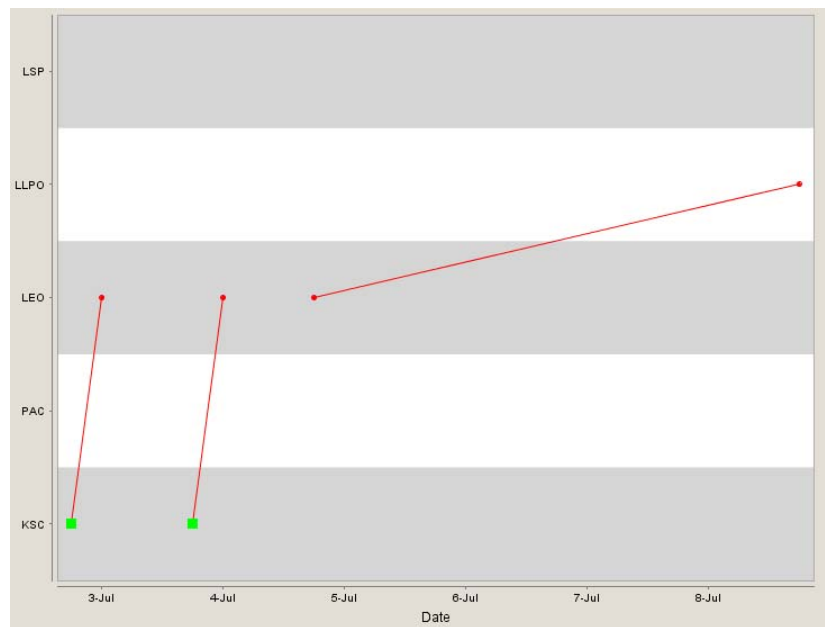


Figure 15. The mission bat chart illustrates the transport of the Altair and Orion vehicles to LLPO.

Lunar Descent

Now that the vehicles are in lunar orbit, we can move the crew from the Orion to the Altair, which will be used in the descent to the lunar surface.

1. Click “Add Event” and choose “Move Elements”
2. Set the “Move to” location to the Altair AM
3. Check the four crew members (currently in the Orion CM)
4. Click “OK” to save the event

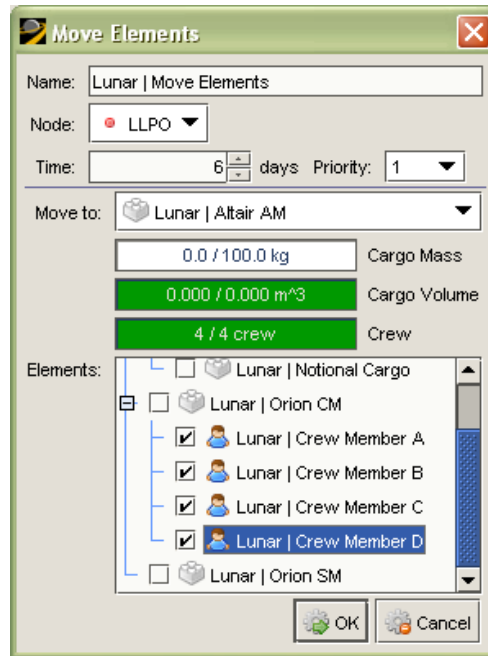


Figure 16. Completed event to move the crew to the Altair vehicle.

5. Click “Add Event” and choose “Space Transport”
6. Change the Time to 7.0
7. Select the LLPO-LSP trajectory
8. Check the Altair elements (Altair AM, Altair DM) to be included in the transport stack
9. Provide the burn/stage sequence for the first burn (2030 m/s):
 - **Burn** Altair DM
10. Click “Burn 2 (RCS)” and provide the burn/stage sequence (11 m/s):
 - **Burn** Altair DM
11. Press the “OK” button to save the event

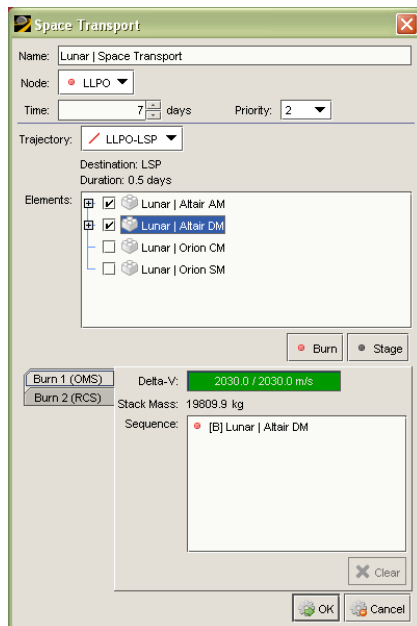


Figure 17. The completed event to perform the descent.

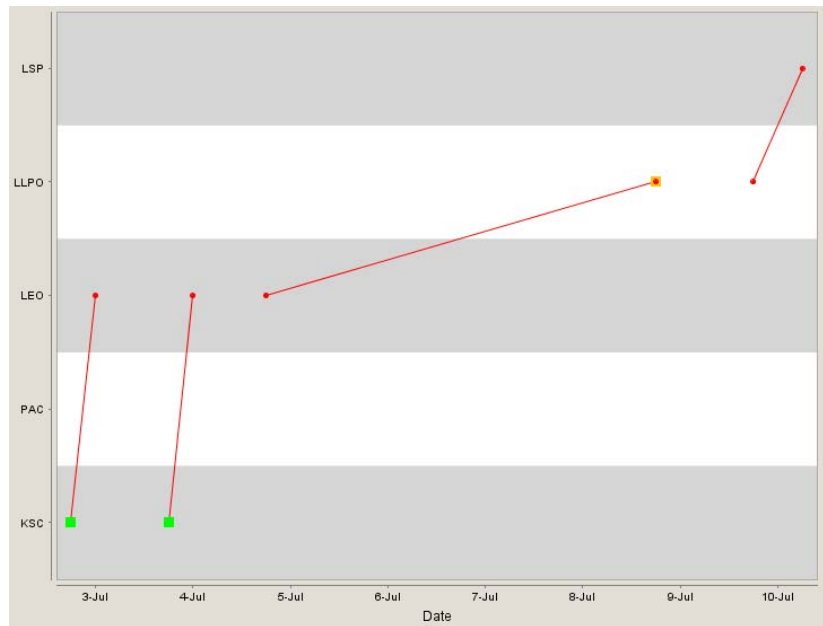


Figure 18. The mission bat chart illustrates the lunar descent of the Altair vehicle to LSP.

Exploration

Now that the crew has reached the lunar surface, we can send them on an exploration, and create a notional element to represent returnable samples. The exploration of the lunar surface will be accomplished with a Crewed Exploration event, which is used to schedule a set number of EVAs. Although not presented in this scenario, individual EVAs can also be scheduled with Crewed EVA events.

1. Click “Add Event” and choose “Crewed Exploration”
2. Set the duration to 7.0 days
3. Set the number of EVAs to 5 per week
4. Select the Altair AM as the Crew Habitat
5. Check two of the four crew members for EVA
6. Click “OK” to save the event

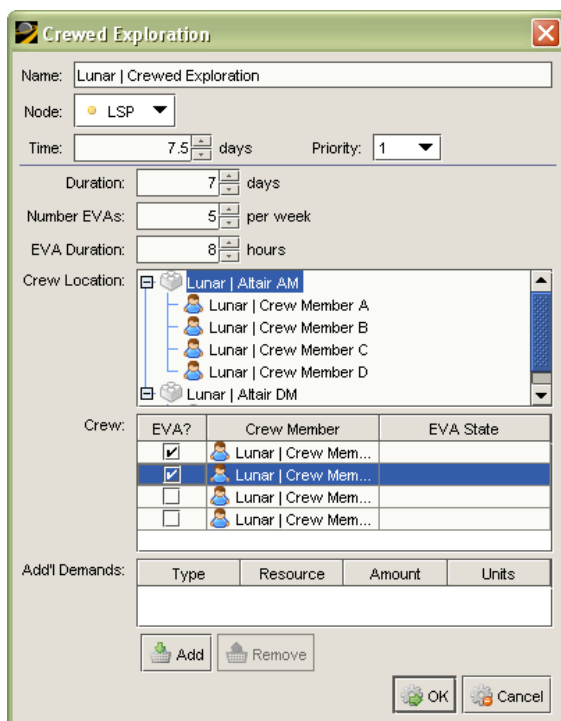


Figure 19. The completed event to schedule the surface EVAs with two crew members.

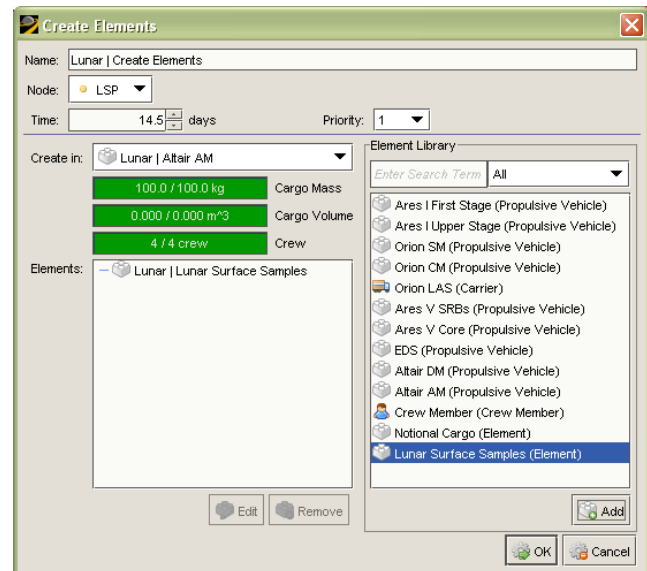


Figure 20. The completed event to add notional surface samples to the Altair vehicle.

7. Next, to create the surface samples for return, click “Add Event” and choose “Create Elements”
8. Set the “Create in” field to Altair AM
9. Add a copy of the Lunar Surface Samples from the element library
10. Click “OK” to save the event

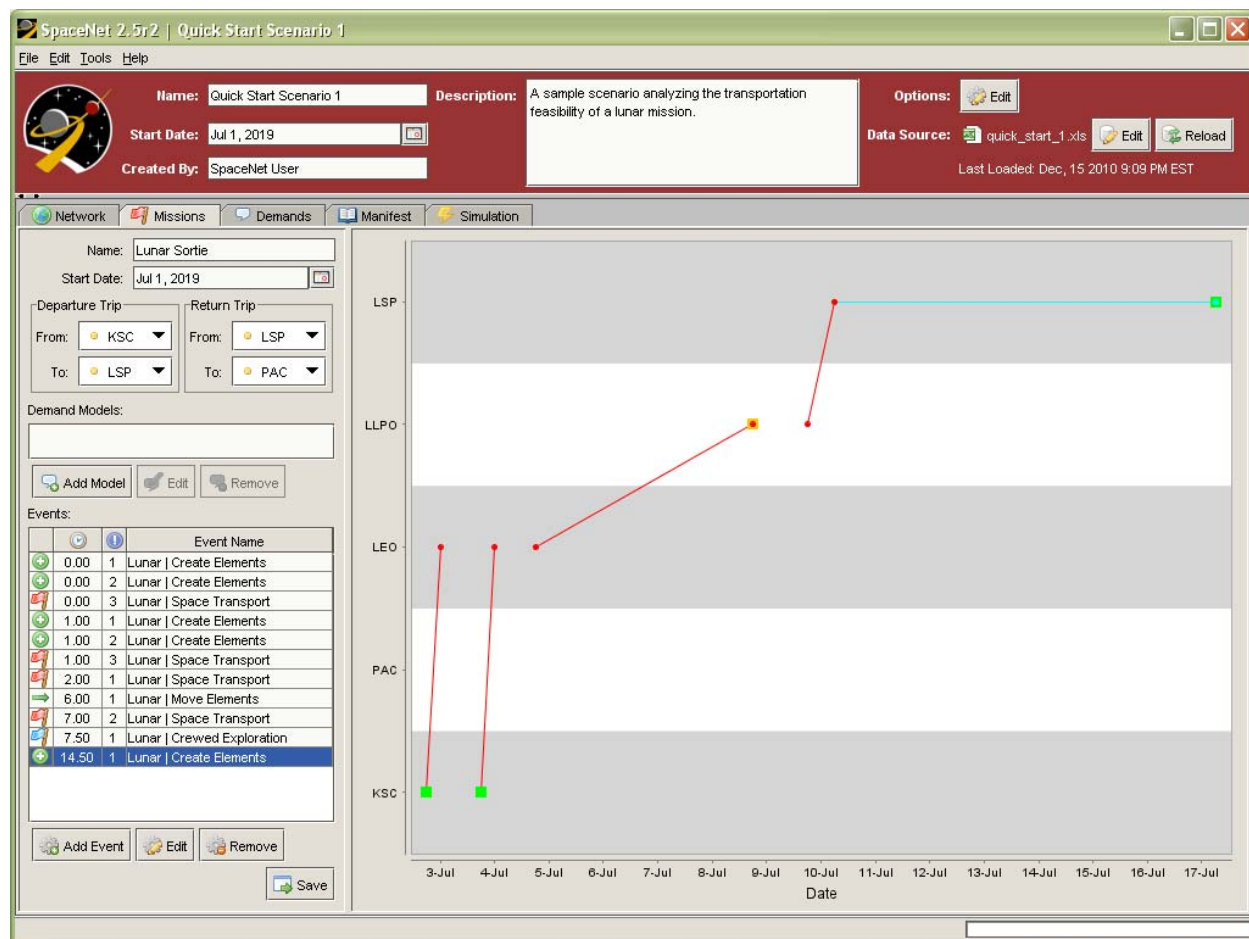


Figure 21. A view of the missions tab after completing the surface exploration and adding the samples.

Lunar Ascent

After the surface exploration, the crew and the ascent module perform a space transport to rendezvous with the command module and service module in lunar orbit.

1. Click “Add Event” and choose “Space Transport”
2. Check the Altair AM to be included in the launch stack
3. Provide the burn/stage sequence for the first burn (1875 m/s):
 - **Burn** Altair AM
4. Click “Burn 2 (RCS)” and provide the burn/stage sequence (31 m/s):
 - **Burn** Altair AM
5. Click “OK” to save the event

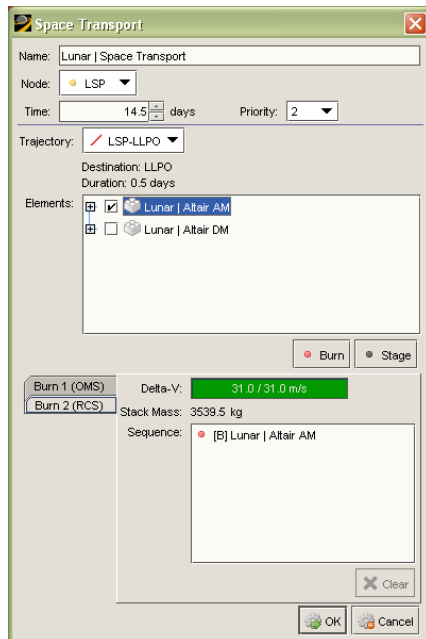


Figure 22. The completed event to launch the Altair ascent vehicle.

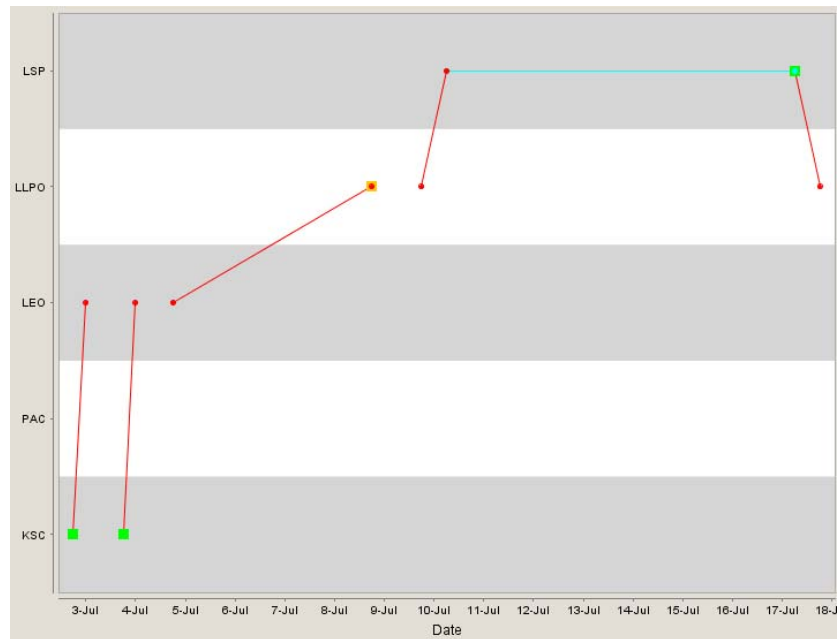


Figure 23. The mission bat chart illustrates the ascent of the Altair to LLPO

Trans-Earth Injection

Finally, to complete our scenario, the crew rejoins the Orion vehicle in lunar orbit, and returns to Earth.

1. Click “Add Event” and choose “Move Elements”
2. Set the “Move to” location to the Orion CM
3. Check the four crew members and the Lunar Surface Samples (currently in the Altair AM)
4. Click “OK” to save the event

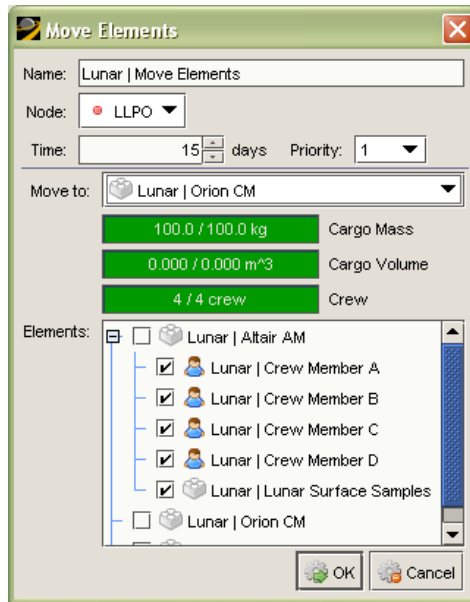


Figure 24. The completed event to move the crew and samples to the crew module.

5. Click “Add Event” and choose “Space Transport”
6. Set the Time to 16.0
7. Select the “LLPO-PAC” trajectory
8. Check the Orion CM, and Orion SM to be included in the transport stack
9. Provide the burn/stage sequence for the first burn (612.3 m/s):
 - **Burn** Orion SM
10. Provide the burn/stage sequence for the second burn (276.5 m/s):
 - **Burn** Orion SM
11. Provide the burn/stage sequence for the third burn (333.6 m/s):
 - **Burn** Orion SM
12. Provide the burn/stage sequence for the fourth burn (3.2 m/s):
 - **Burn** Orion SM
13. Provide the burn/stage sequence for the fifth burn (3.2 m/s):
 - **Burn** Orion SM
14. Provide the burn/stage sequence for the sixth burn (5.0 m/s):
 - **Stage** Orion SM
 - **Burn** Orion CM
15. Click “OK” to save the event

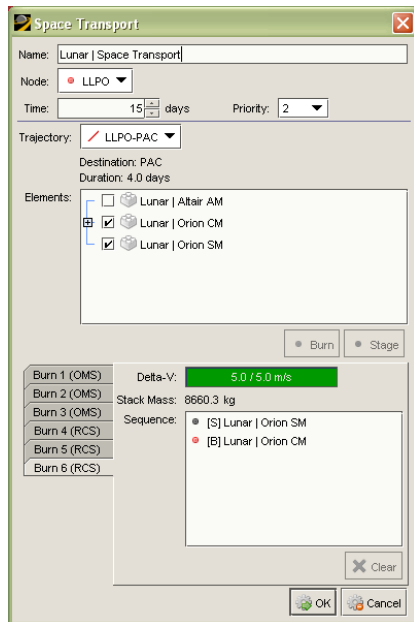


Figure 25. The completed event to return the Orion vehicle to Earth.

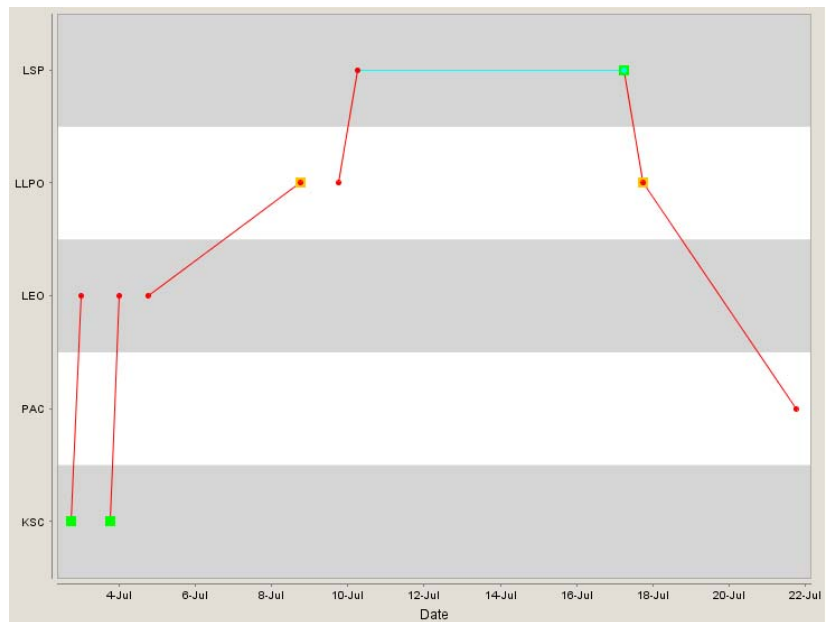


Figure 26. The mission bat chart illustrates the transport back to the PAC splashdown.

Simulation and Analysis

The mission creation process heavily relies on *pre-simulation* to check for error conditions throughout the scenario creating process. Since we were able to create this mission without any errors, the transportation architecture closes.

For more detailed analysis, however, we can run a simulation and inspect the levels of propellant throughout the scenario. Note that this scenario does not inspect demand feasibility, so there are no demands to view in the Demands tab, nor anything to pack and manifest in the Manifest tab.

1. Click “Save” to save this mission
2. Switch to the **Simulation Tab**
3. Click the “Simulate” button to run the simulation
4. Under the “Network History” tab, press the play button to run a basic network animation. Pause the animation near July 8, 2019 and select an element in the right-hand part of the screen, to inspect its remaining propellant, cargo capacity, and other information.

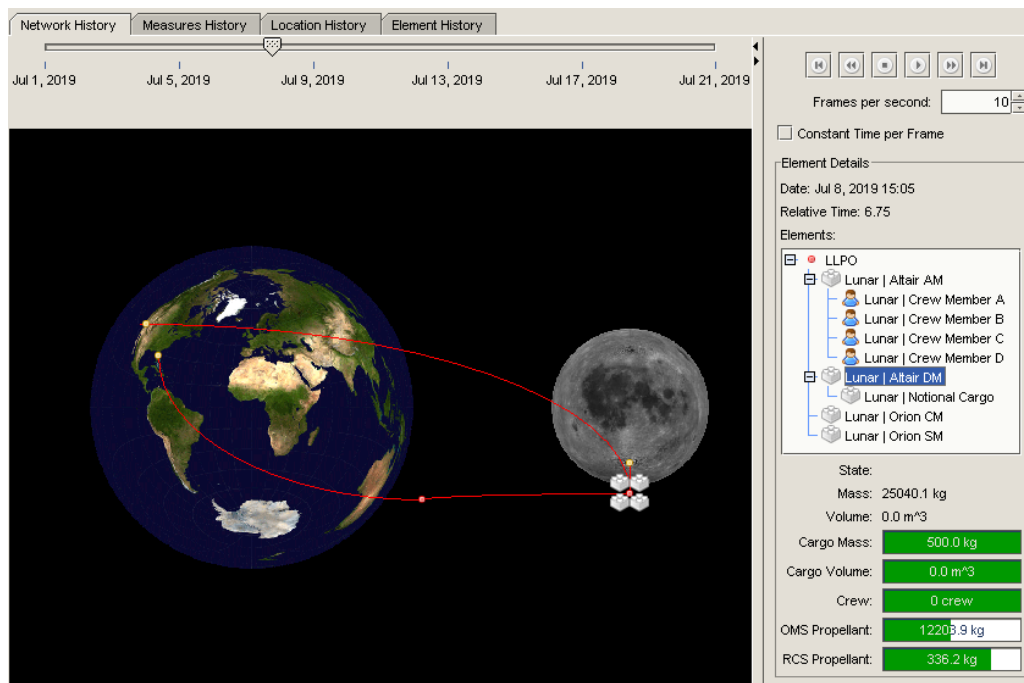


Figure 27. After simulation, the Network History tab provides a basic animation for the scenario.

5. Switch to the “Element History” tab, and select the “Altair DM” element. By toggling the visible classes of supply to only display COS 1 (Propellants and Fuels), you can track the remaining propellant throughout the scenario.
6. Right-click the chart and choose “Save as...” to save the chart as a .PNG formatted image. This capability is inherent in all charts within SpaceNet.

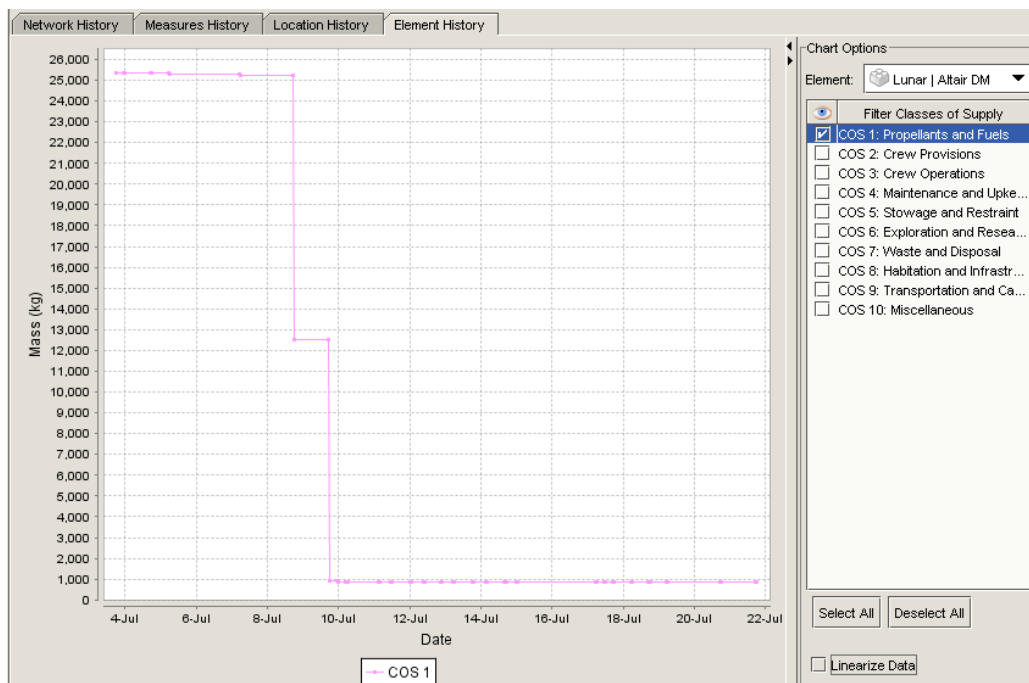


Figure 28. The Element History tab allows a visualization of resource levels through the scenario, in this case propellant in the descent module.

SCENARIO 2: LUNAR OUTPOST ARCHITECTURE

Using the results of the first scenario, the second quick-start scenario abstracts the transports from the Earth to the Lunar South Pole to a single flight, and the same for the return trip. It uses the assumption that the transportation architecture is known to close for a delivery payload of 500 kilograms and a return payload of 100 kilograms for a crew of four to simplify the build-up of a long-duration lunar outpost.

Also included in this analysis is the knowledge that cargo flights can deliver 12,000 kilograms to the lunar surface – the results from which a separate analysis similar to that from the previous scenario has already been performed.

The goal of this next level of analysis is analyzing the surface feasibility, including demands from the crew members, demands for spare parts, and the supply chain network used for resupply. If the scenario does indeed close, then we then can seek to evaluate the scenario based on one or several *Measures of Effectiveness*.

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2. **Edges**
 - a. **Crewed Delivery** – Flight edge
 - b. **Crewed Return** – Flight edge
 - c. **Cargo Delivery** – Flight edge
3. **Resources**
 - a. **Habitat Spare** – Discrete resource for notional habitat spares
 - b. **Power Supply Spare** – Discrete resource for notional power supply spares
4. **Elements**
 - a. **Crewed Lander** – Carrier representing transportation architecture delivering crew and minimal cargo
 - b. **Crewed Return Capsule** – Carrier representing transportation architecture returning crew and minimal cargo
 - c. **Cargo Lander** – Carrier representing transportation architecture delivering significant cargo
 - d. **Crew Member** – Crew member
 - e. **Crew Habitat** – Carrier that crew use as an outpost habitat
 - f. **Power Supply Unit** – Element that supplies power to the habitat

Scenario Creation

As in quick start scenario 1, we will first set some global parameters for the scenario, including the data source.

1. Launch SpaceNet 2.5
2. Select File > New to create a new scenario
3. At the top of the screen, input the following into the scenario header:
 - Name: Quick Start Scenario 2
 - Start Date: July 1, 2019
 - Created By: (Your Name)
 - Description: A sample scenario analyzing the feasibility of a lunar outpost.
 - Scenario Type: Lunar

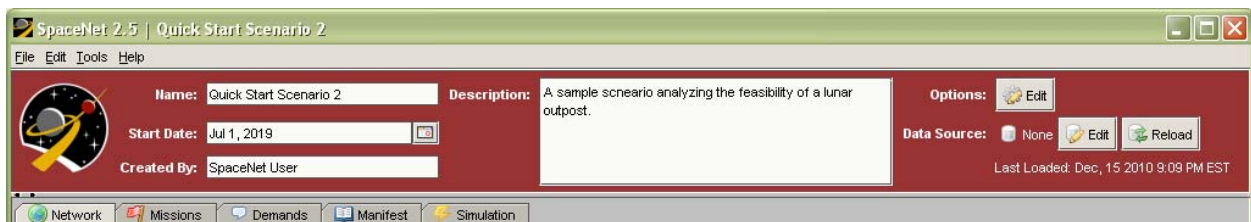


Figure 29. The completed scenario header.

4. To set the data source, click the button marked “Edit” near the top of the screen
5. Choose the “SpaceNet 2.5 (Excel)” data source type from the drop-down menu
6. Browse to find and load the quick_start_2.xls file
7. If the data source doesn’t load automatically, check the Nodes, Edges, and Resources and click the “Load” button

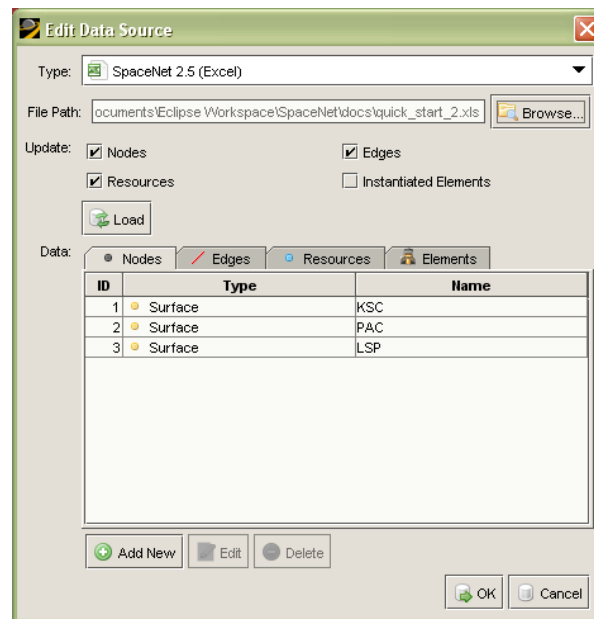


Figure 30. The data source dialog after loading the data from the quick start 2 database.

8. Click “OK” to return to the Network tab

Network Selection

Upon setting the data source, the network should auto-filter to the correct scenario type. In this case, all of the nodes and edges will be used in the scenario. Note also that this scenario uses flight edges (yellow) instead of space edges (red) and no intermediate nodes between the Earth and the Moon. This abstraction will allow us to create missions much faster.

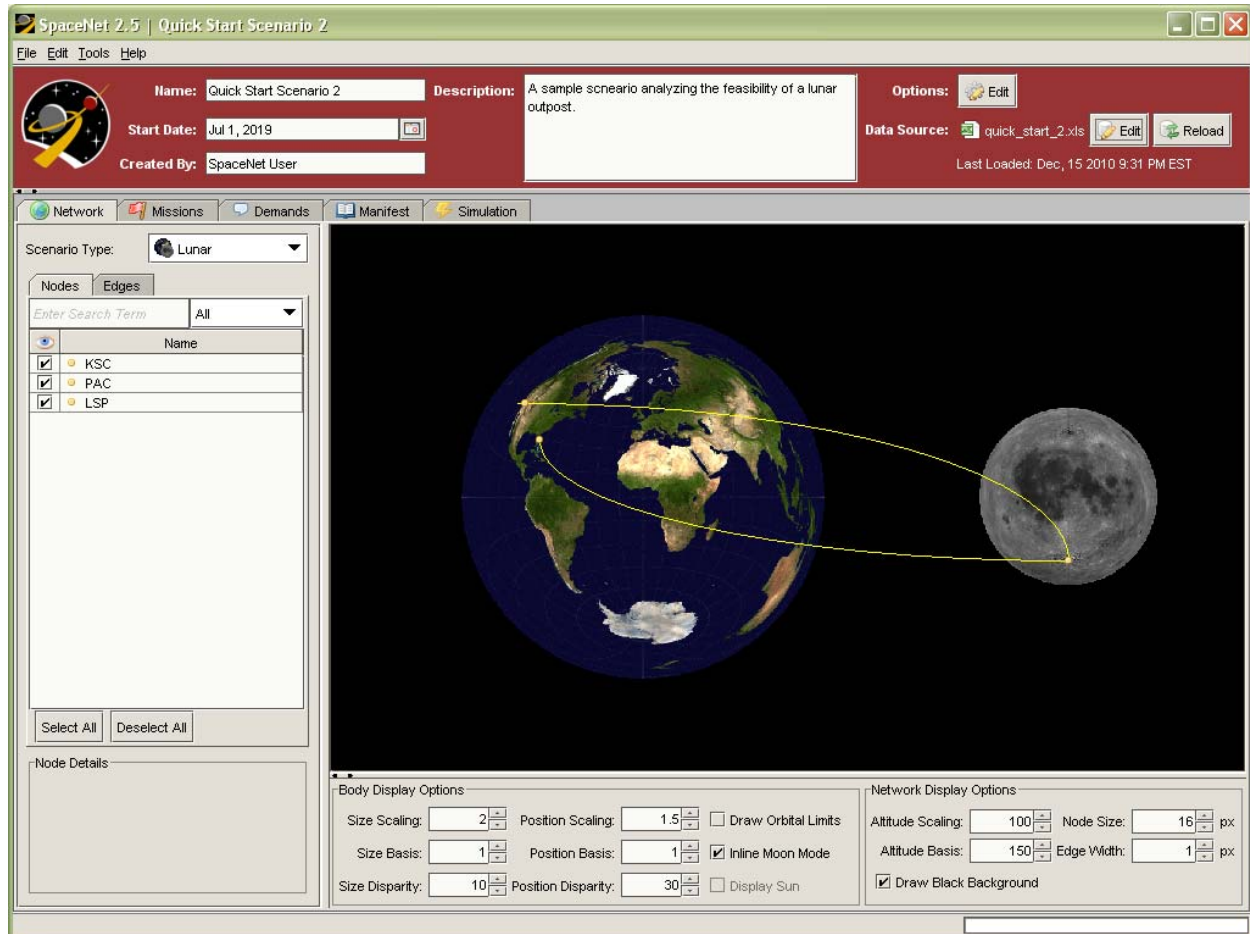


Figure 31. A view of the Network Tab overlaying the scenario network on the Earth Moon system.

Mission Creation

After setting the network, switch to the **Missions Tab**. In this scenario, we will be creating four missions instead of just one. An important difference is that any non-reusable mission elements must be removed from the simulation. For example, after the crew returns to Earth, they should be removed from the simulation to prevent demands from being generated in the Pacific Ocean.

Mission 1: Automated Check-out

The first mission will deploy an unmanned lander and return capsule to the lunar surface in preparation for future crewed missions. Taking advantage of the abstracted transportation architecture with flight transports, this mission will only require two events.

1. Click the “Add” button under the missions list to create a new mission.
2. Input the following mission information:
 - Name: Automated Check-out Mission
 - Start Date: July 1, 2019
 - Departure Trip: From: KSC To: LSP
2. To instantiate the flight vehicles, click “Add Event” at the bottom of the screen and choose “Create Elements”
3. Add the following elements from the Element Library:
 - Crewed Lander (Carrier)
 - Crewed Return Capsule (Carrier)
4. Click “OK” to save the event

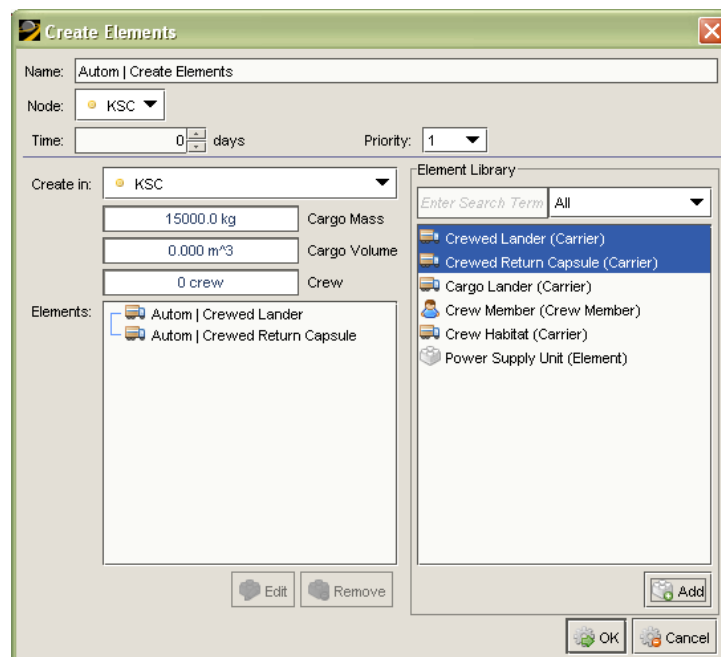


Figure 32. The completed event to instantiate the flight elements.

5. Next, to transport the vehicles to the Lunar South Pole, click “Add Event” and choose “Flight Transport”
6. Choose the “Crewed Delivery” flight, and check both the lander and return capsule

7. Click “OK” to save the event
8. Click “Save” to save the mission

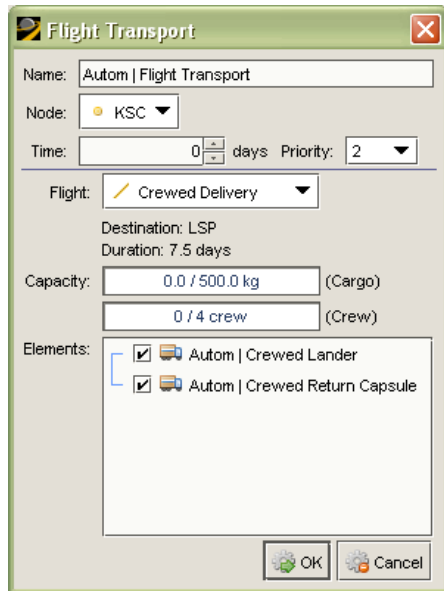


Figure 33. The completed event to perform the flight transport.

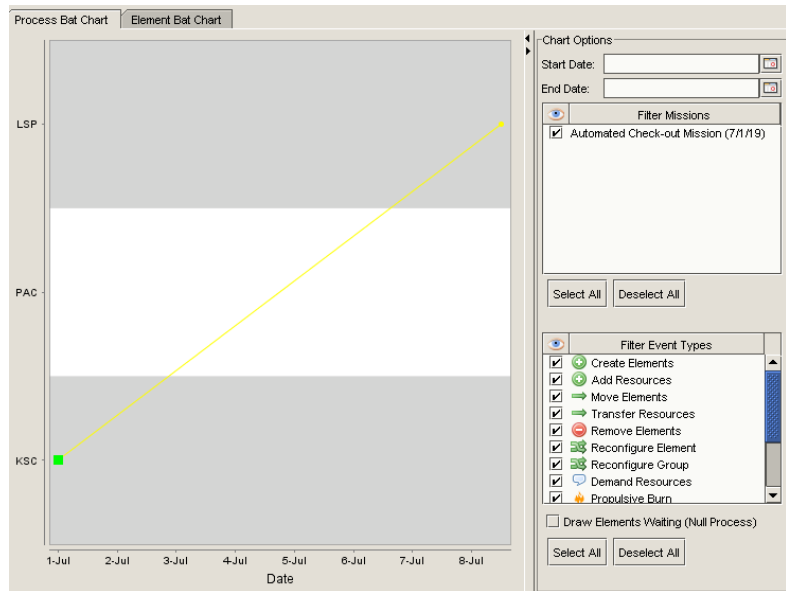


Figure 34. The scenario bat chart shows the transport to LSP in the first mission.

Mission 2: 7-Day Crewed Mission

The second mission delivers a crew of four to the surface. As in quick start 1, the launch stack and the crew are created in separate events. Like the previous mission, a flight is used to transport the crew to the lunar surface. While on the surface, the crew will participate in scheduled EVAs throughout the mission duration before moving to the return module before being transported back to Earth. Finally, the return capsule and the crew are removed from the simulation.

1. Click the “Add” button under the missions list to create a new mission.
2. Input the following:
 - Name: 7-Day Surface Exploration
 - Start Date: December 1, 2019
 - Departure Trip: From: KSC To: LSP
 - Return Trip: From: LSP To: PAC
3. Click “Add Event” at the bottom of the screen and choose “Create Elements”
4. Add the following elements from the Element Library:
 - Crewed Lander (Carrier)
 - Crewed Return Capsule (Carrier)
5. Click “OK” to save the event

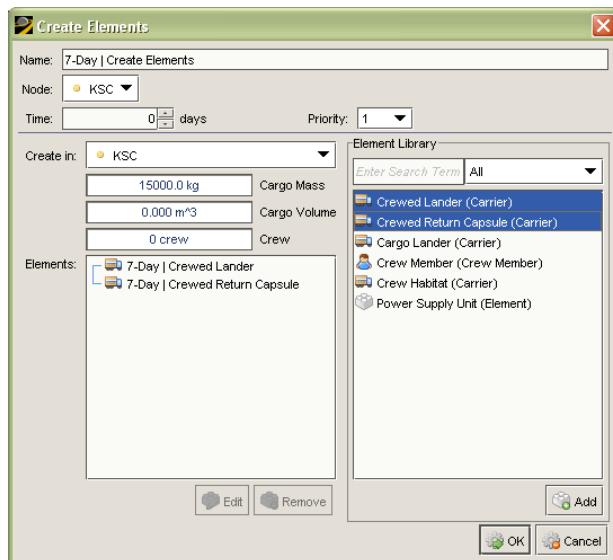


Figure 35. The completed event to instantiate the flight vehicles.

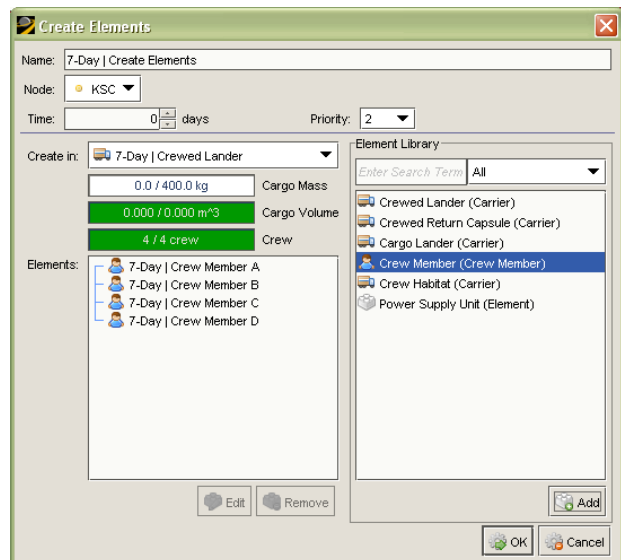


Figure 36. The completed event to create the four crew members in the lander vehicle.

6. Click “Add Event” and choose “Create Elements” again
7. Change the “Create in” field from “KSC” to “7-Day | Crewed Lander”
8. Add four copies of the Crew Member element from the Element Library
9. Click “OK” to save the event
10. Click “Add Event” and choose “Flight Transport”
11. Choose the “Crewed Delivery” flight and check both the lander and return capsule
12. Click “OK” to save the event

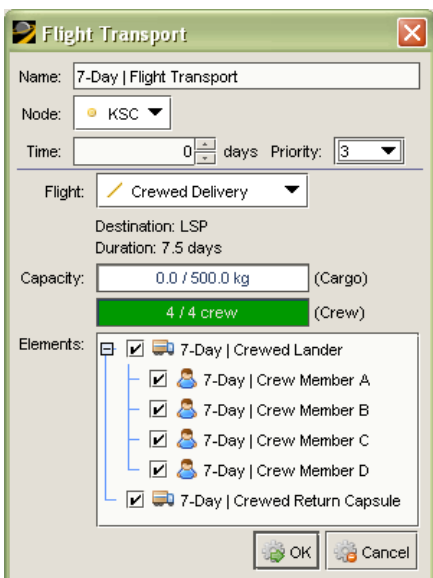


Figure 37. The completed event to transport the crew.

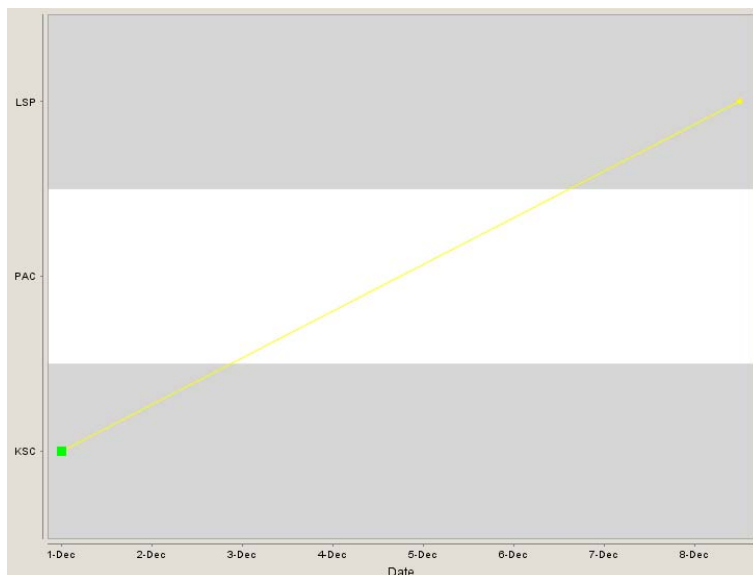


Figure 38. The mission bat chart illustrates the flight transport from KSC to LSP.

13. Click “Add Event” and choose “Crewed Exploration”
14. Set the Duration to 7 days
15. Set the Number of EVAs to 5 per week
16. Set the Crew Habitat to the “Crewed Lander”
17. Check two of the crew members to participate in the EVA and click “OK” to save the event

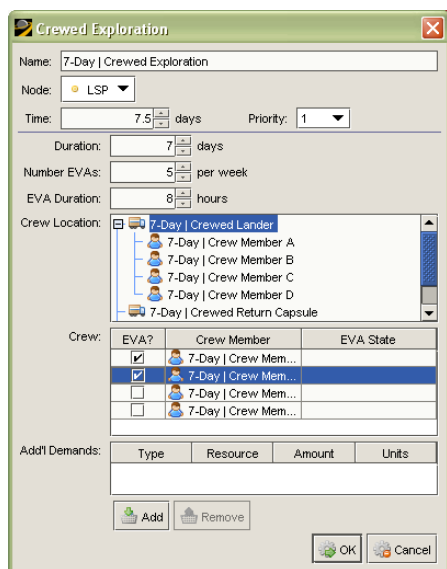


Figure 39. The completed event to perform the crewed exploration.

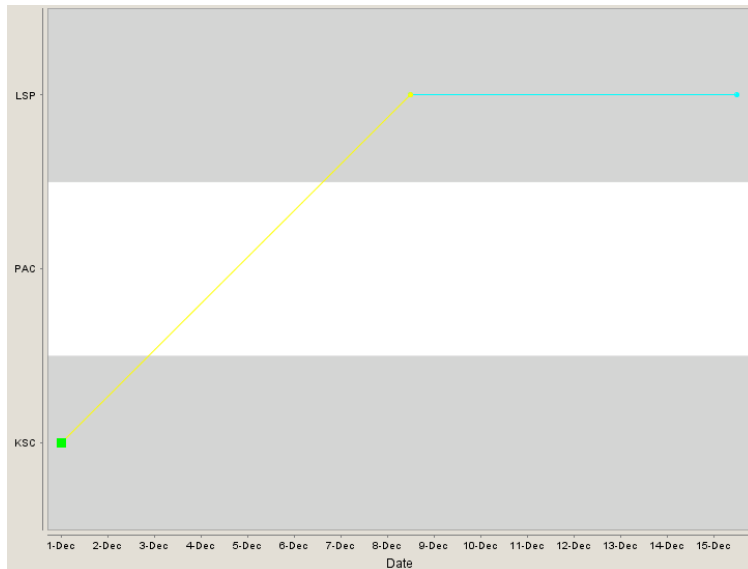


Figure 40. The mission bat chart illustrating the crewed surface exploration.

18. Click “Add Event” and choose “Move Elements”
19. Set the “Move to” field to “7-Day | Crewed Return Capsule”
20. Check the four crew members and click “OK” to save the event

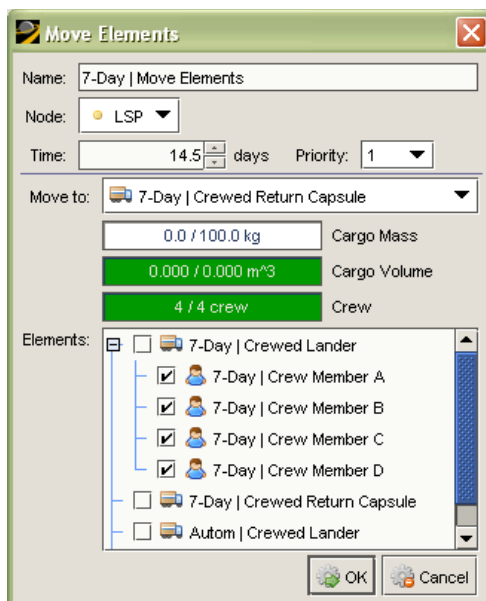


Figure 41. The completed event to move the crew to the return capsule.

21. Click “Add Event” and choose “Flight Transport”
22. Choose the “Crewed Return” flight, check the return capsule, and click “OK” to save the event

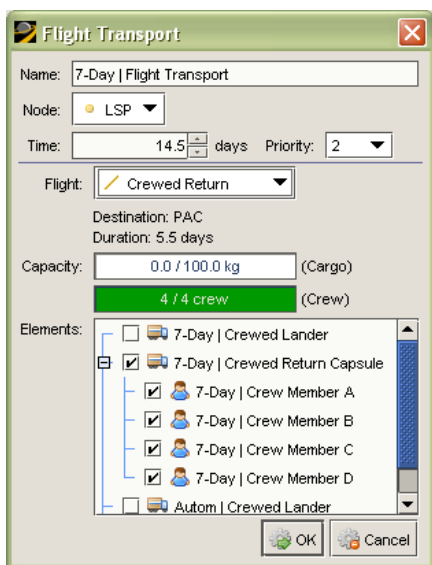


Figure 42. The completed event to transfer the crew back to Earth.

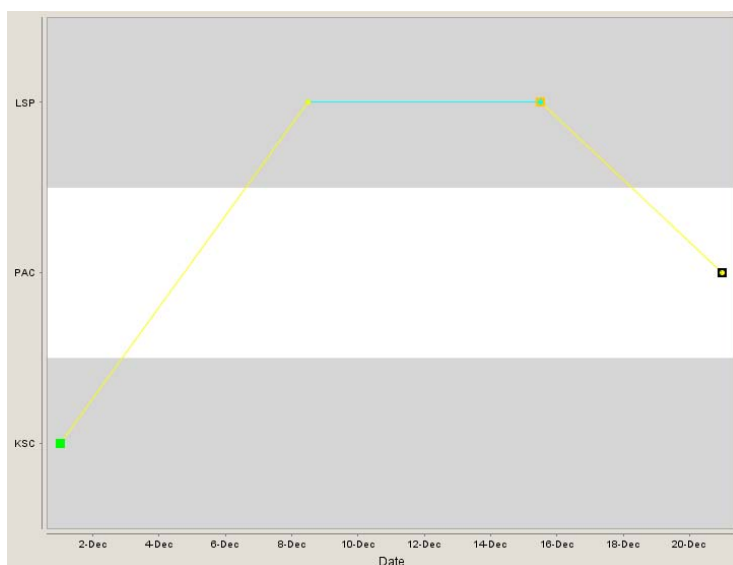


Figure 43. The mission bat chart illustrating the transport back to PAC.

23. Click “Add Event” and choose “Remove Elements”
24. Check the Return Capsule and click “OK” to save the event

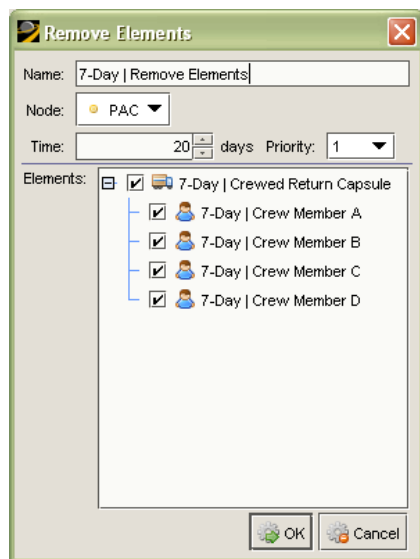


Figure 44. The completed event to remove the crew from the simulation.

25. Click “Save” to save the mission

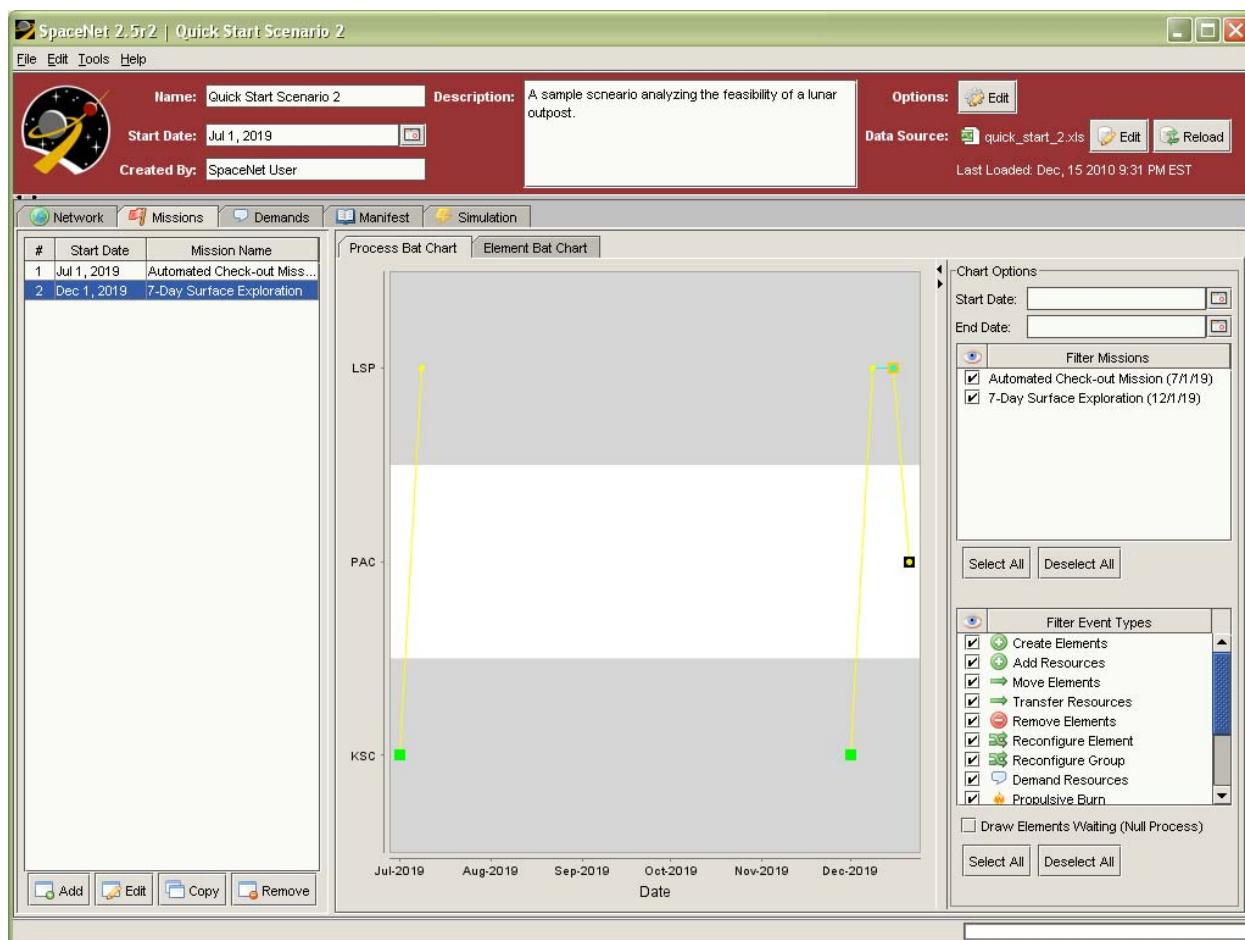


Figure 45. A view of the Missions Tab with the scenario bat chart illustrating the flights of the first two missions.

Mission 3: Habitat Delivery

The next mission will deliver the Crew Habitat and Power Supply Unit using a cargo lander.

1. Click the “Add” button under the missions list to create a new mission.
2. Input the following:
 - Name: Habitat Delivery
 - Start Date: March 1, 2020
 - Departure Trip: From: KSC To: LSP
 - Return Trip: From: (blank) To: (blank)
3. Click “Add Event” at the bottom of the screen and choose “Create Elements”
4. Add the following elements from the Element Library:
 - Cargo Lander (Carrier)
5. Click “OK” to save the event

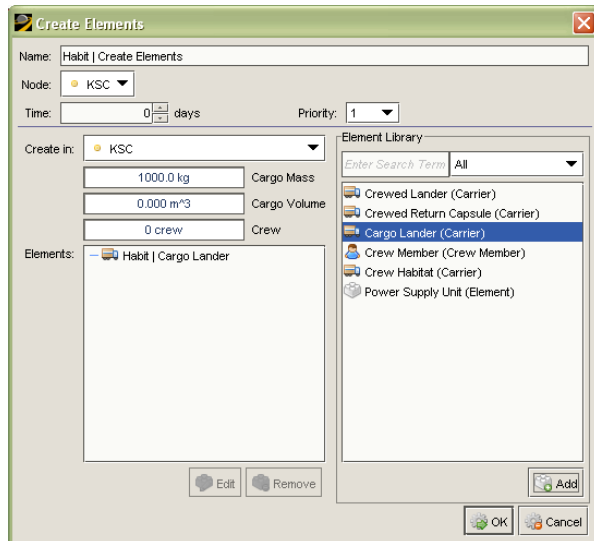


Figure 46. The completed event to instantiate the cargo lander vehicle.

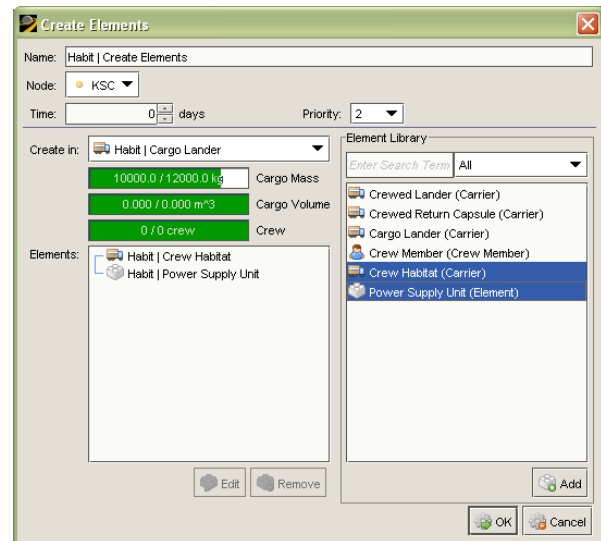


Figure 47. The completed event to create a habitat and power supply unit inside the cargo lander.

6. Click “Add Event” and choose “Create Elements” again
7. Change the “Create in” field from “KSC” to “Habit | Cargo Lander”
8. Add the following elements from the Element Library:
 - Crew Habitat (Carrier)
 - Power Supply Unit (Element)
9. Click “OK” to save the event
10. Click “Add Event” and choose “Flight Transport”
11. Choose the “Cargo Delivery” flight, check the cargo lander, and click “OK” to save the event
12. Click “Save to save the mission

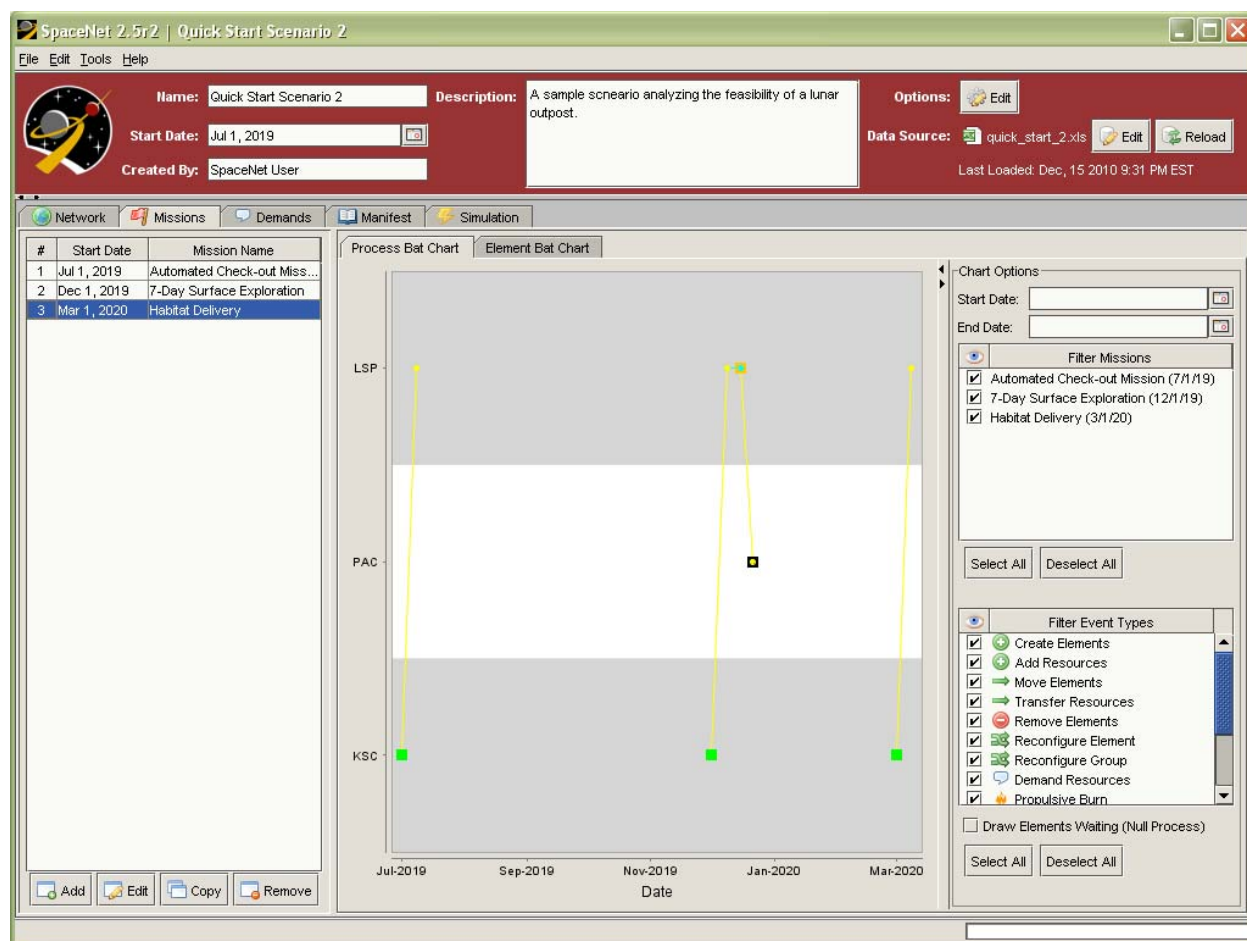


Figure 48. A view of the Missions Tab with the scenario bat chart illustrating the flights of the first three missions.

Mission 4: 14-Day Crewed Mission

This next mission will extend the surface duration from one week to two weeks. Since we have gone through the work of creating a basic mission, we can simplify the rest of the mission-creation processes by copying the format for one mission and making small changes.

1. Select the 7-Day Surface Exploration mission and click “Copy”
2. Change the following mission information:
 - a. Name: 14-Day Surface Exploration
 - b. Start Date: July 1, 2020
3. Next, we want to move the crew members to the newly-delivered habitat after arrival. Since new events default to occur immediately after the previously selected event, select the first flight transport, click the “Add Event” button, choose “Move Elements”
4. Set the “Move to” field to the habitat, check the four crew members
5. Click “OK” to save the event

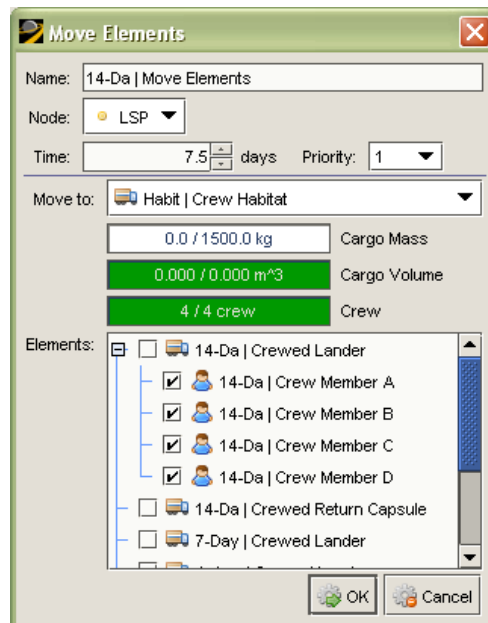


Figure 49. The completed event to move the crew to the habitat.

1. Select the “Crewed Exploration” event, and click the “Edit” button
2. Set the Duration to 14 days
3. Set the Priority to 2 (so the event executes after the crew move to the habitat)
4. Select the Crew Habitat, check two of the crew members as participating in the EVAs
5. Finally, click “OK” to save the event

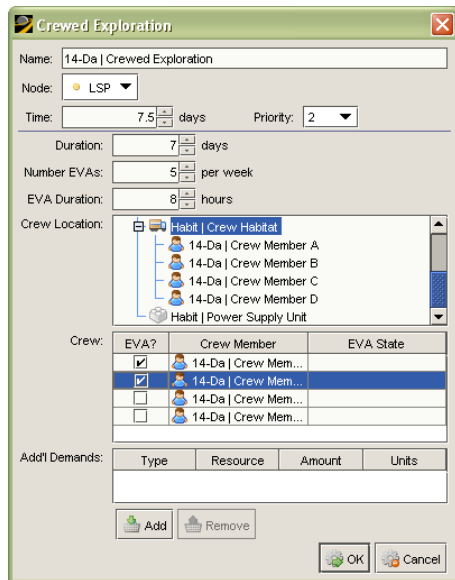


Figure 50. The completed event expanding the exploration to 14 days.

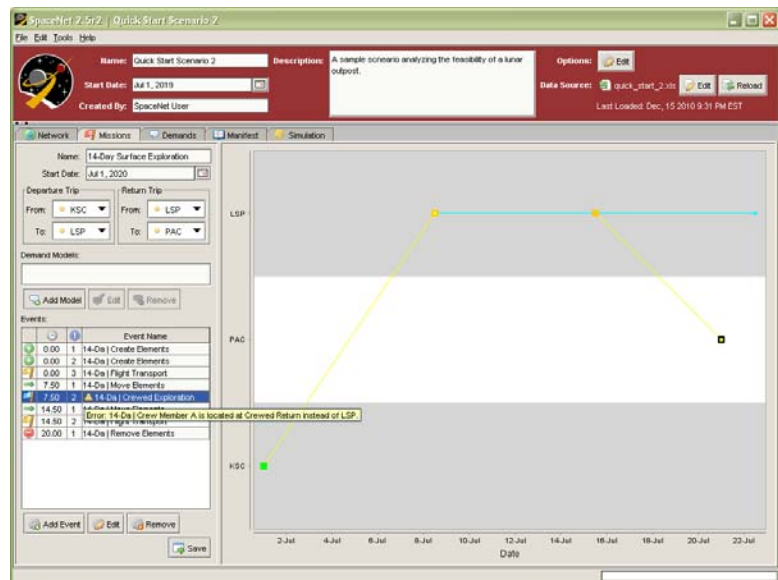


Figure 51. A view of the Missions Tab after editing the exploration, which introduced an error.

Note that at this point, an error message occurs, notifying that the crew member was not found at the Lunar South Pole (the error message can also be seen by opening the exploration event window). To correct this error condition, we will edit the timing of the remaining events of the mission.

6. Double-click the time for the Move and change it to 21.50
7. Double-click the time for the Flight Transport and change it to 21.50
8. Double-click the time for the Remove Elements event and change it to 27.00

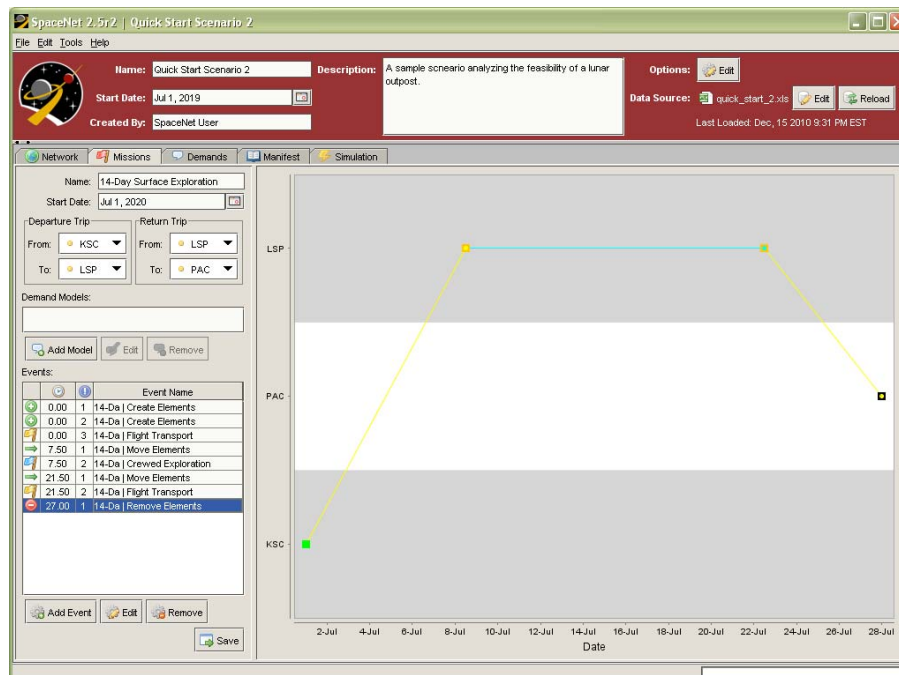


Figure 52. A view of the Missions Tab after the errors have been corrected.

9. Click "Save" to save the mission

Demand Configuration

Now that the basic mission architecture is set up, we can more closely inspect the feasibility of the scenario from the demands perspective. First, however, we must add demand generation into the scenarios. This will be accomplished with two methods: mission-level consumable demands and element-centric sparing. The mission-level demands will be added to the crewed missions first.

1. Select the “7-Day Surface Exploration” mission and click “Edit”
2. Click the “Add Demand” button and select “Crew Consumables Demand Model”
3. Click “OK” to add the demand model and click “Save” to save the mission

Crew Consumables Demand Model

Name: Crew Consumables Demand Model

Inputs Rates Demands

Crew Size: 4 crew

EVA Crew Time: 80 crew-hours

Exploration Duration: 7 days

☒ Omit Transit Demands

Transit Duration: 0 days

Reserves Duration: 0 days

Water Recovery Rate: 42 %

Clothing Lifetime: 4 days

OK Cancel

Figure 53. The completed inputs for the 7-day mission demand model.

Crew Consumables Demand Model

Name: Crew Consumables Demand Model

Inputs Rates Demands

Type	Resource	Amount	Units
Generic	Generic COS 201 (Water and Support Equip...	113.46	kg
Generic	Generic COS 202 (Food and Support Equip...	68.22	kg
Generic	Generic COS 203 (Gases)	176.30	kg
Generic	Generic COS 204 (Hygiene Items)	14.98	kg
Generic	Generic COS 205 (Clothing)	16.10	kg
Generic	Generic COS 206 (Personal Items)	40.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 301 (Office Equipment and Su...	20.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 302 (EVA Equipment and Con...	457.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 303 (Health Equipment and Co...	20.40	kg
Generic	Generic COS 304 (Safety Equipment)	25.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 305 (Communications Equipme...	20.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 306 (Computers and Support ...	20.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 701 (Waste)	1.40	kg
Generic	Generic COS 702 (Waste Management Equi...	1.40	kg

OK Cancel

Figure 54. The calculated demands for the 7-day mission.

4. Select the “14-Day Surface Exploration” mission and click “Edit”
5. Click the “Add Demand” button and select “Crew Consumables Demand Model”
6. Click “OK” to add the demand model

Crew Consumables Demand Model

Name: Crew Consumables Demand Model

Inputs Rates Demands

Crew Size: 4 crew

EVA Crew Time: 160 crew-hours

Exploration Duration: 14 days

☒ Omit Transit Demands

Transit Duration: 0 days

Reserves Duration: 0 days

Water Recovery Rate: 42 %

Clothing Lifetime: 4 days

OK Cancel

Figure 55. The completed inputs for the 14-day mission demand model.

Crew Consumables Demand Model

Name: Crew Consumables Demand Model

Inputs Rates Demands

Type	Resource	Amount	Units
Generic	Generic COS 201 (Water and Support Equip...	226.93	kg
Generic	Generic COS 202 (Food and Support Equip...	136.42	kg
Generic	Generic COS 203 (Gases)	352.60	kg
Generic	Generic COS 204 (Hygiene Items)	22.76	kg
Generic	Generic COS 205 (Clothing)	32.20	kg
Generic	Generic COS 206 (Personal Items)	40.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 301 (Office Equipment and Su...	20.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 302 (EVA Equipment and Con...	486.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 303 (Health Equipment and Co...	20.40	kg
Generic	Generic COS 304 (Safety Equipment)	25.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 305 (Communications Equipme...	20.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 306 (Computers and Support ...	20.00	kg
Generic	Generic COS 701 (Waste)	2.80	kg
Generic	Generic COS 702 (Waste Management Equi...	2.80	kg

OK Cancel

Figure 56. The calculated demands for the 14-day mission.

Now that the mission-level consumables demands are in place, we will add the element-level spares demands. This is accomplished by reconfiguring the elements to new operational states that have been assigned demand models. In this scenario, the Crew Habitat and the Power Supply Unit have demands for spare parts in their Active state, and have no demands in their Dormant state. You can view the demand models associated with each state by opening the Create Elements event where the element was instantiated and selecting “Edit,” choosing a state, and choosing “Edit State.”

Edit Element

Type: Carrier

Name: Habitat | Crew Habitat

Icon: Delivery Truck

Class of Supply: COS 801: Habitation Facilities

Environment: Unpressurized

Accommodation Mass: 0 kg

Mass: 7,500 kg

Volume: 0 m³

States:

- Habitat Active
- Habitat Dormant

Parts:

- Habitat Spare (5)

Cargo Environment: Unpressurized

Max. Crew Size: 4

Max Cargo Mass: 1,500 kg

Max Cargo Volume: 0 m³

OK Cancel

Figure 57. The edit element dialog for the habitat element.

Operational State

Name: Habitat Active

Type: Active

Demand Models:

- Habitat Sparing by Mass

Add Edit Remove

OK Cancel

Figure 58. The edit state dialog for the habitat's active state.

7. Select the first Flight Transport, click “Add Event” and choose “Reconfigure Group”
8. Set the new state to be “Active” and check the habitat and power supply elements
9. Click “OK” to save the event
10. Select the “Crewed Exploration” event, click “Add Event” and choose “Reconfigure Group”
11. Set the new state to be “Dormant” and check the habitat and power supply elements
12. Click “OK” to save the event
13. Click “Save” to save the mission

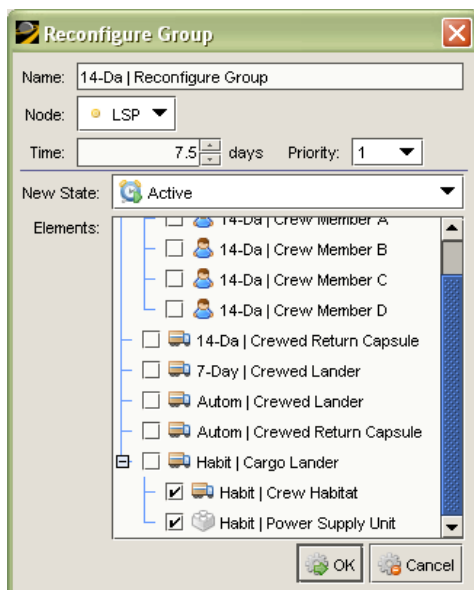


Figure 59. The completed event to turn on the habitat and power supply upon arrival.

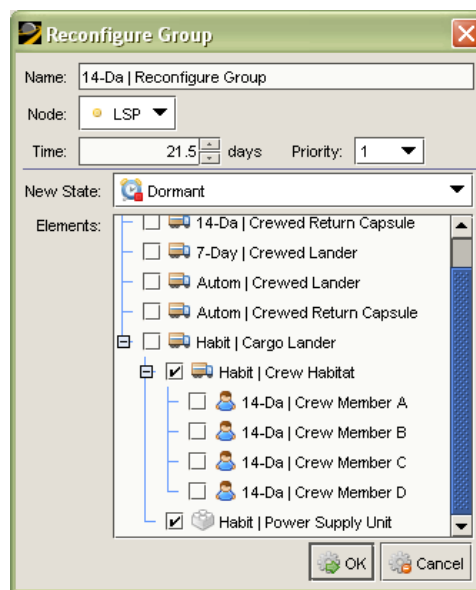


Figure 60. The completed event to turn off the habitat and power supply before departure.

Demands Analysis

After enabling the scenario demands, switch to the **Demands Tab**. In this module, you can configure the demands settings before continuing to packing, manifesting, and simulation. There are several visualizations to aid in the demands analysis.

- **Scenario Feasibility** – Shows the demands and delivery capability at a node. In the cumulative view, if the red demands line crosses the green remaining capacity line, the scenario is likely infeasible at that node. In this scenario, the scenario appears to be feasible, although a thorough packing and manifesting analysis is required to account for inefficiencies.

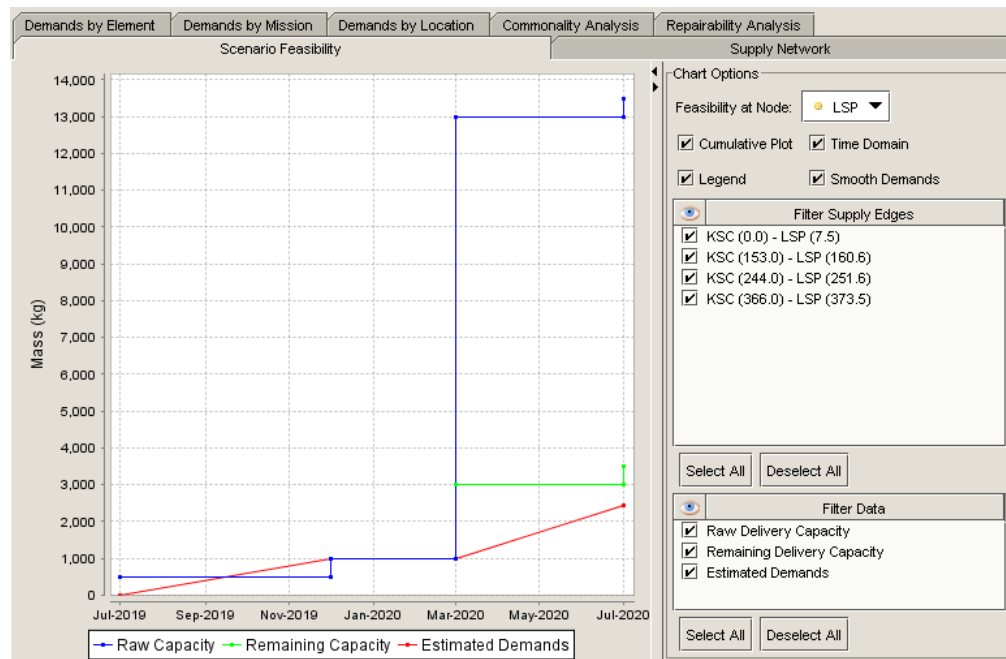


Figure 61. The scenario feasibility chart provides a quick check for demanded mass and delivery capacity to a specific location.

- **Supply Network** – Illustrates the aggregated demands and transports through the time-expanded network. The thicker the green line, the more remaining delivery capacity to a location. The larger the blue dots, the more aggregated demands there are at that point.

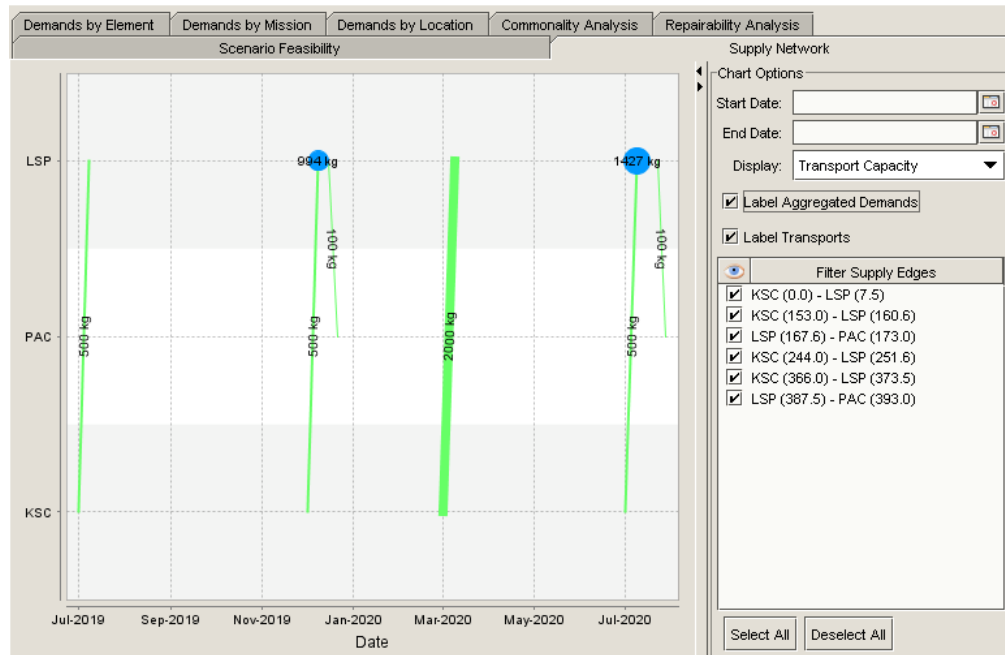


Figure 62. The supply network chart provides a multi-node time-expanded visualization of demands and delivery capacity.

- **Demands by Element, Mission, and Location** – Shows the demands broken down by element, mission, or location. If only one object is selected, the demands are displayed over time.
- **Commonality Analysis** – If the scenario elements contain common parts, scavenging can be used to satisfy some of the sparing demands.
- **Repairability Analysis** – If the scenario elements contain repairable parts, a trade of crew time can be made to satisfy some of the sparing demands.

Packing and Manifesting

After inspecting the scenario demands, switch to the **Manifest Tab**. To quickly manifest the demands for this scenario, we will be using the auto-manifest option.

1. Click the “Reset Manifest” button to reset the aggregated demands

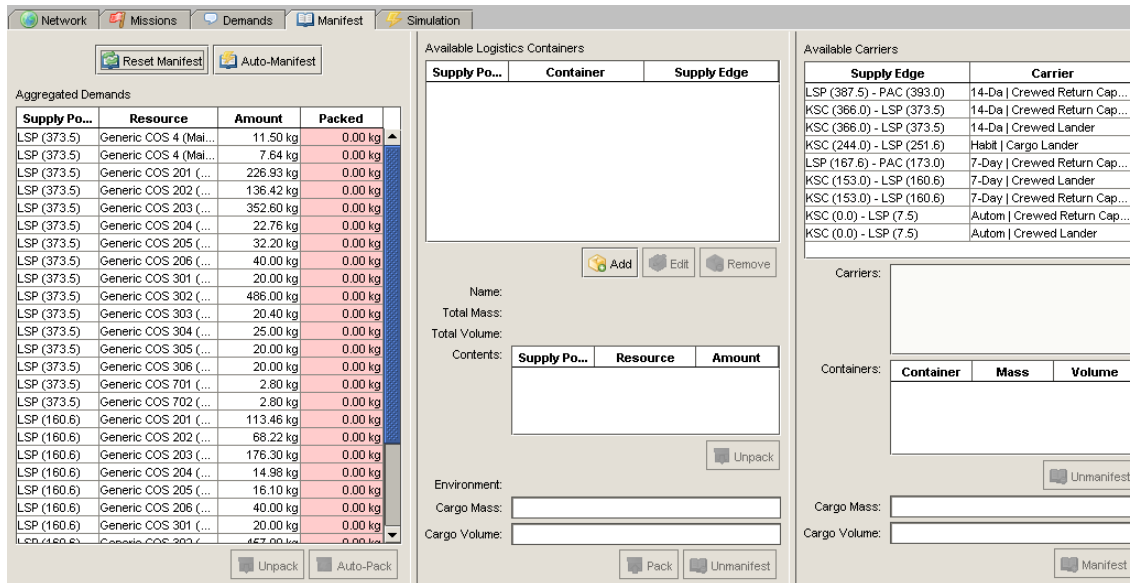


Figure 63. The manifest tab displays a list of aggregated demands, packed demands, and manifested demands.

2. Click the “Auto-Manifest” button to automatically pack the demands into logistics containers and manifest the logistics containers onto the first possible flight after the demand (carry-along preference)

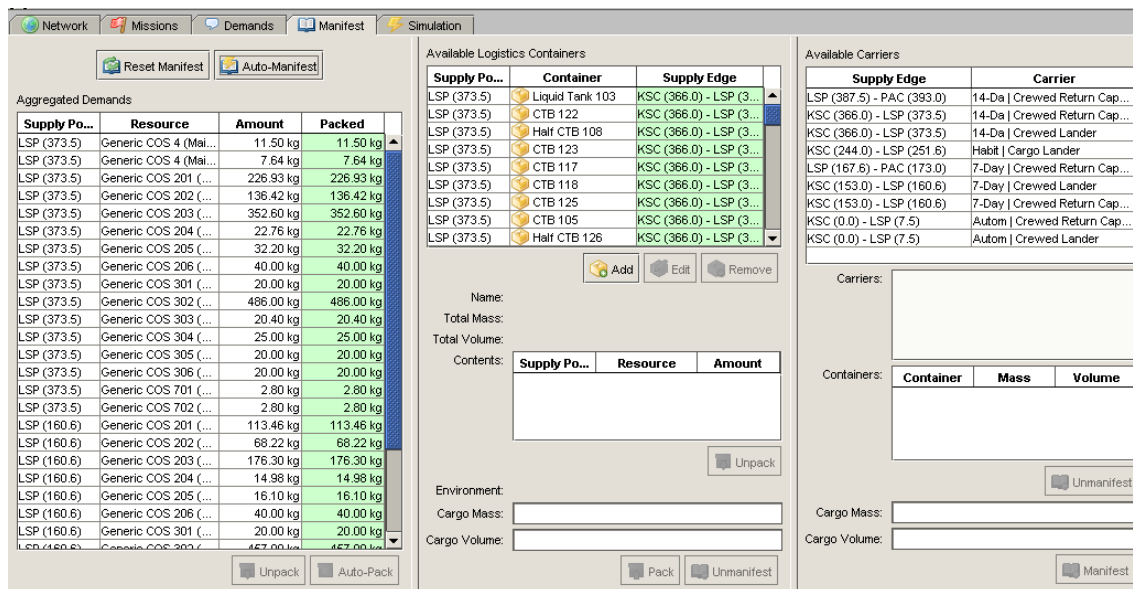


Figure 64. Auto-manifesting performs a brute-force process to try and manifest the demands.

Simulation and Analysis

After manifesting the demands, switch to the **Simulation Tab**.

1. Click the “Simulate” button to run the simulation
2. Under the “Network History” tab, press the play button to run a basic network animation. Pause the animation near December 25, 2019 and select an element in the right-hand part of the screen, to inspect its cargo capacity, state, and other information.

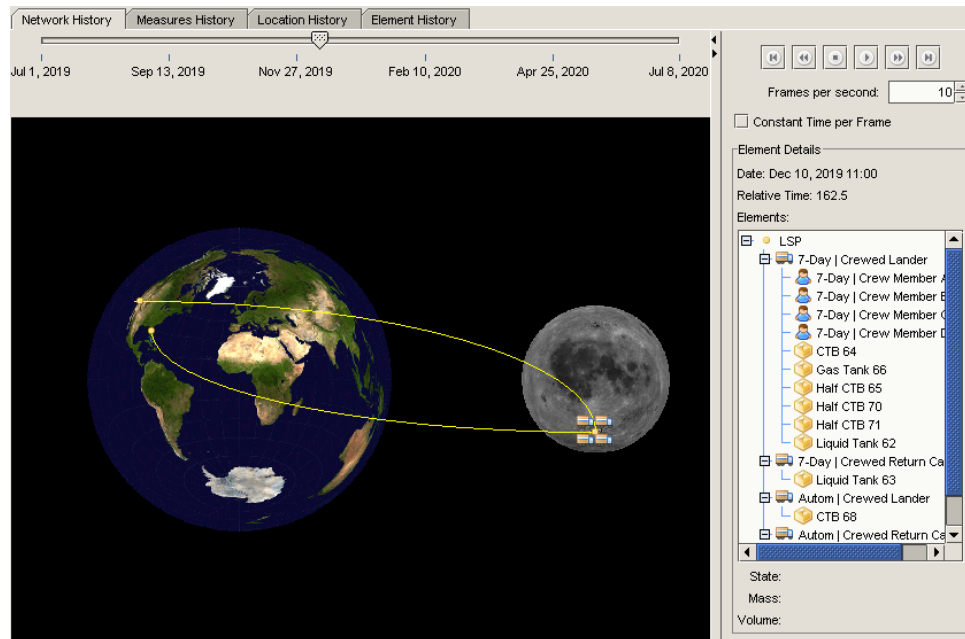


Figure 65. The network history provides a visualization of the scenario network during simulation.

3. Under the “Measures History”, choose the Relative Exploration Capability (REC) measure to track its evolution over time. Note that this could be improved by creating science elements (COS 6) for the missions to use the excess cargo margin.

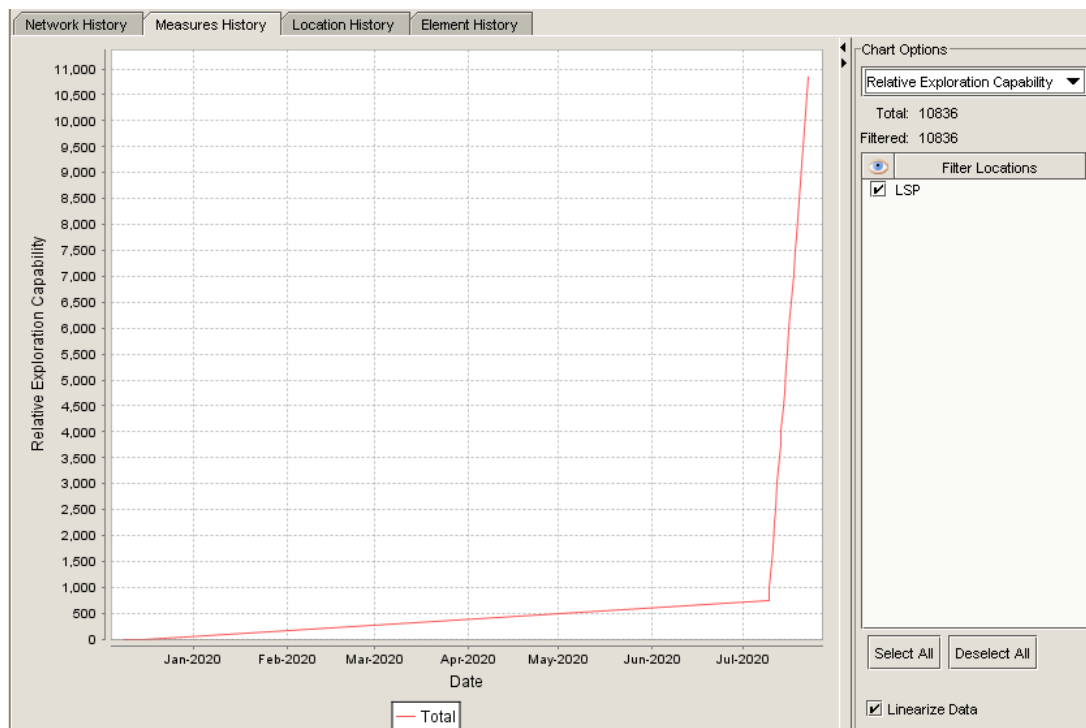


Figure 66. The measures history provides time histories of the various measures of effectiveness.

4. Under the “Location History”, choose the LSP Node to track its history over time. Deselect COS 8 (Habitation and Infrastructure) and COS 9 (Transportation and Carriers). Note the increase of COS 5 (empty containers) and cycling of demand supply and use.

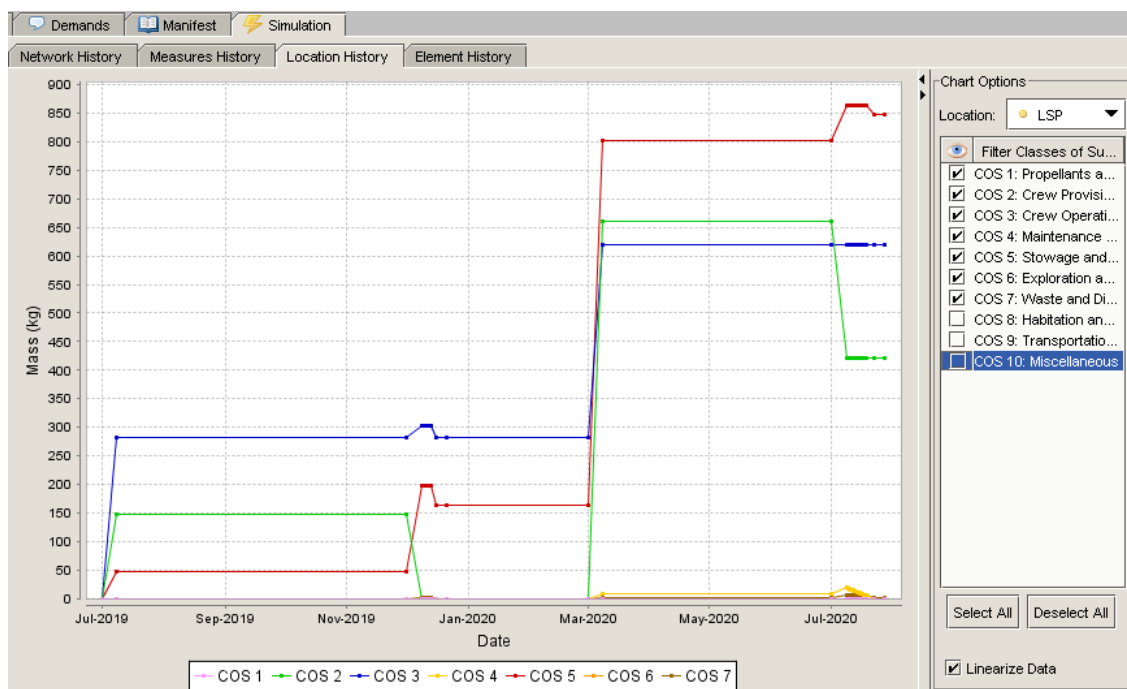


Figure 67. The location history provides time histories of the resources located at various points.