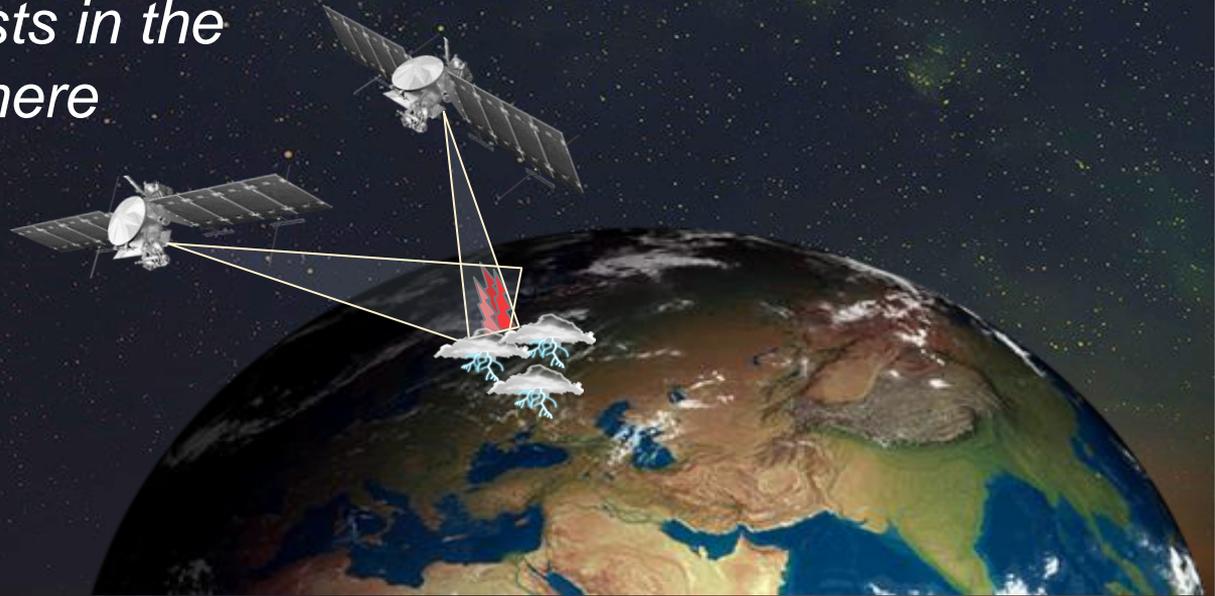




CASPER

*chasing ghosts in the
atmosphere*





TeamBlue





Mission statement



The mission intends to investigate Transient Luminous Events (TLEs) and Terrestrial Gamma Flashes (TGFs).

TLEs and TGFs are plasma discharges in the lower and mid atmospheres, associated with high energy events emitting light, x-rays and gamma radiation. TLEs and TGFs are linked to high energy electrons.

The upper layer of the atmosphere is one of the least investigated areas of the atmosphere, due to the difficulty of reach. However, the TLE and TGF phenomenon has changed our understanding of the interaction between the atmosphere and the ionosphere.



Outline of the presentation



Jonas Sinjan



- In 1989 'Sprites' were first captured from ground



- Since 1989 many different types were detected



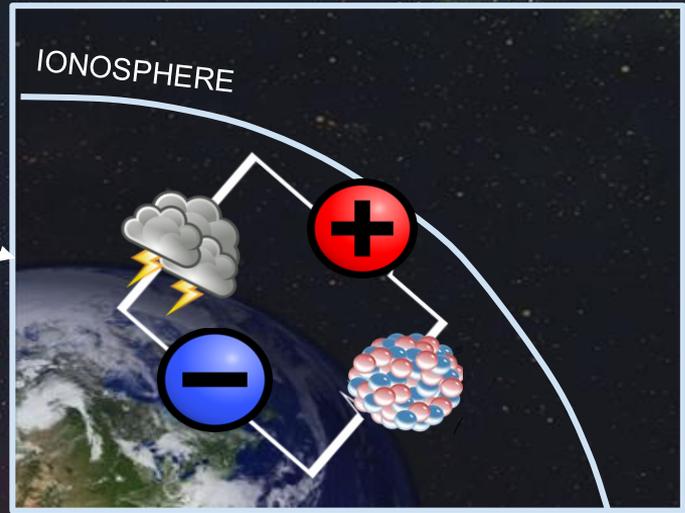
- Collectively called **Transient Luminous Events (TLEs)** and **Terrestrial Gamma Flashes (TGF)**



Discovery ramifications



- Revealed spontaneous transfers of energy from troposphere to the ionosphere
- Could affect chemical balance in upper atmosphere
- Could perturb population in radiation belts
- Could modify the **Global Electrical Circuit**
- New plasma physics mechanisms



[Blanc+ 2007]



Transient Luminous Events (TLEs)



Transient Luminous Events (TLEs)

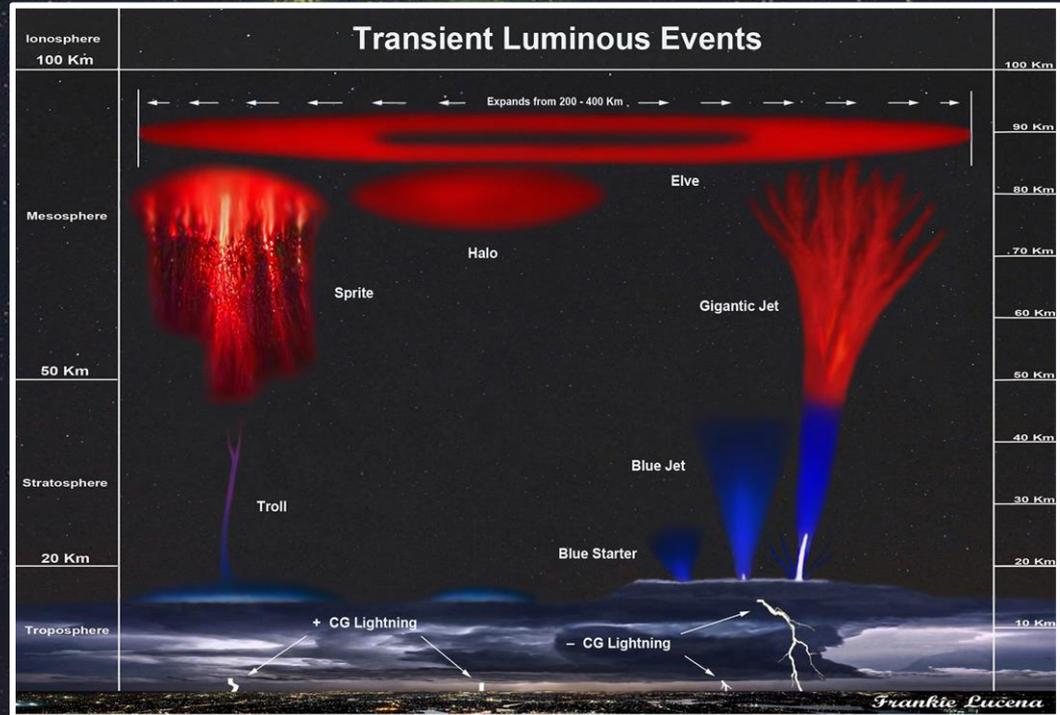


Sprites

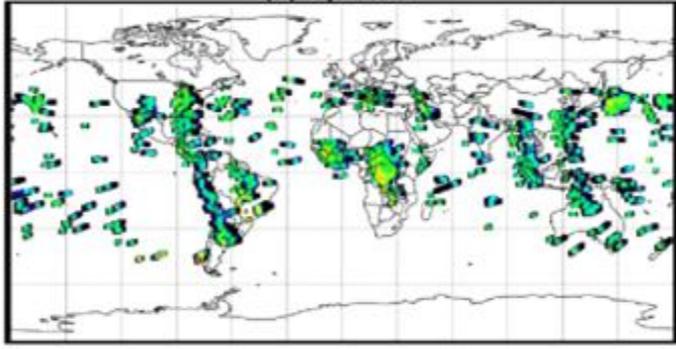
Modified version of
FRANKIE LUCENA'S
TLE chart

Different types of TLEs

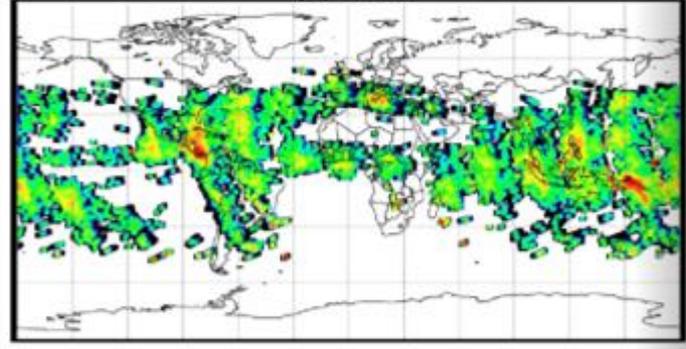
- Lifetime: $< 1 - 5$ ms
- Up to 500 km wide
[Wescott+ 2001; Marshall+. 2006; Kuo+ 2013]
- Altitudes: 20 - 100 km
[Blanc+ 2012]
- Typically seen between +65 and -65 deg latitude



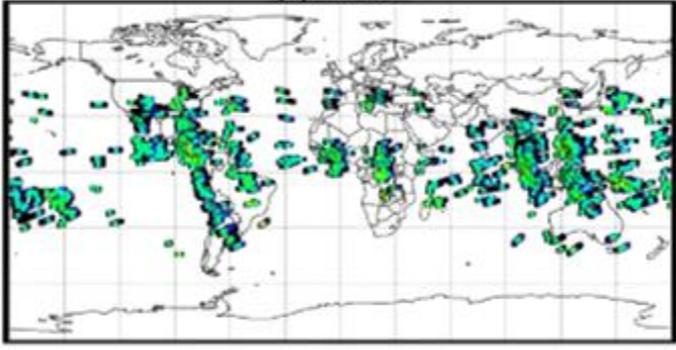
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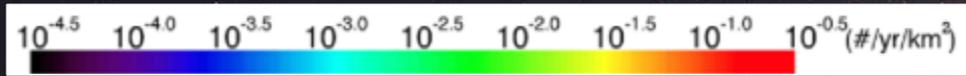
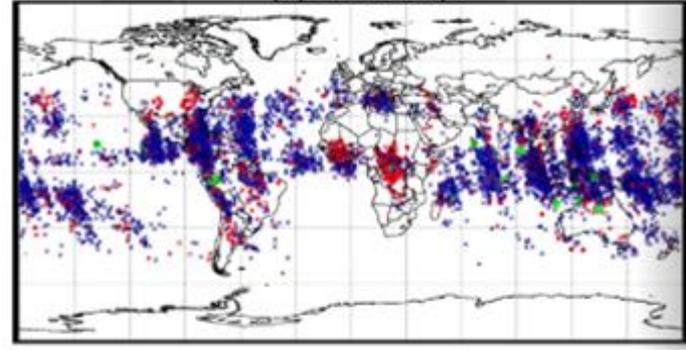
(b) elves



(c) halos

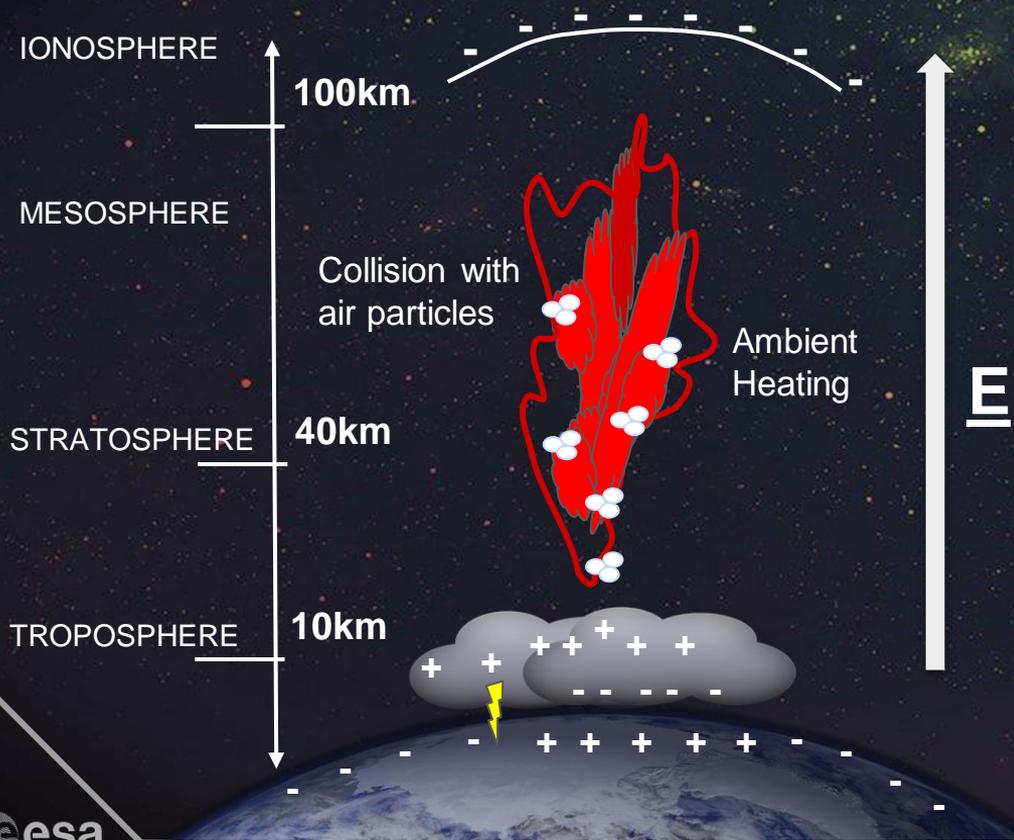


(d) Raw map



ISUAL [Chen+2008]

Formation mechanism



Quasi-Electrostatic (QE) Model

- Charge build up in active thunderstorm
- Electric field between thunderstorm and ionosphere
- CG lightning or intracloud discharge triggers TLE
- Ambient heating and ionisation
- Collide and excite nitrogen molecules

[Pasko+ 1997; Pasko+2006]

Issues with the TLE formation mechanism theory

- Some TLEs detected many kilometers away from thunderstorms



- Some have a large temporal delay from lightning (90 ms)

[Matsudo et al. 2009]



- Different types not explained

[Blanc + 2007]





Terrestrial Gamma-Ray Flashes (TGFs)

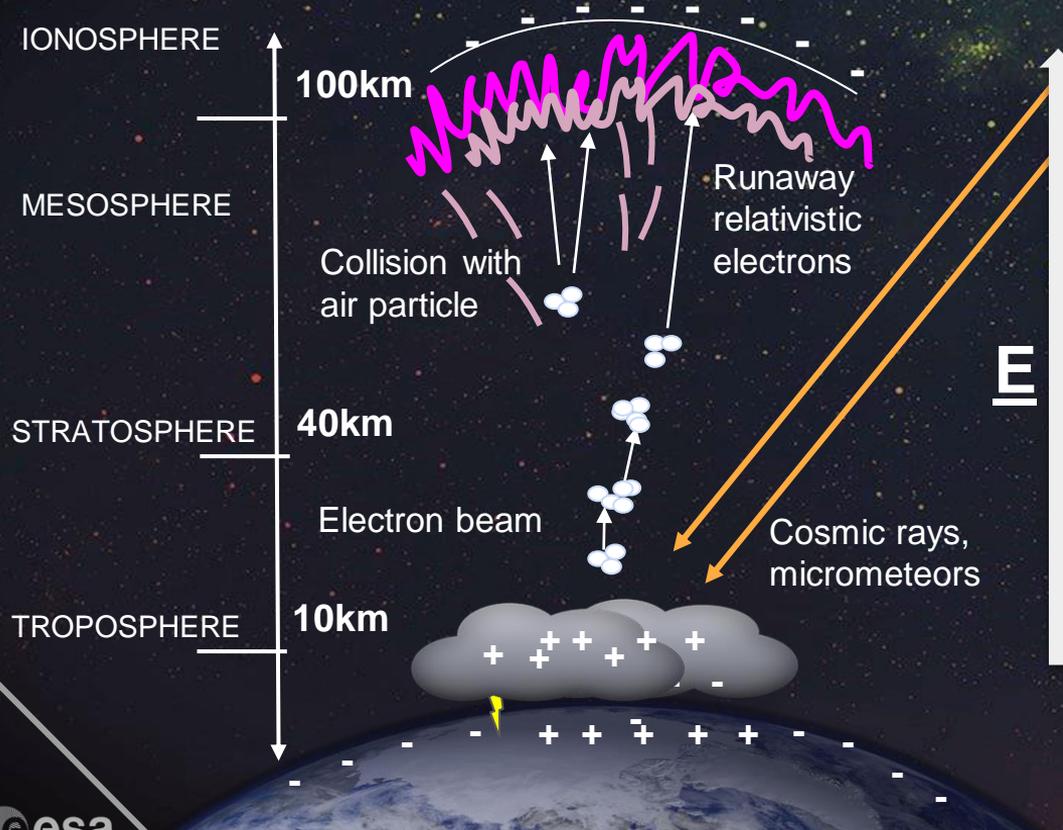


Terrestrial gamma ray flashes

- TGFs are transient gamma-ray emissions, generated by electrons accelerated to relativistic energies in electric fields
- Energetic gamma rays with single photon energies of up to 40 MeV
- Lifetime: $10\mu\text{s}$ - $100\mu\text{s}$
- Associated with lightning
[Briggs+ 2010; Fishman+ 1994]
- Detected in low latitude regions like TLEs



TGF formation mechanism



- Proposed to be triggered by Cosmic Rays
 - Secondary shower of electrons act as seed
 - Runaway of electrons up to relativistic speeds
- [Gurevich+ 1992, Roussel-Dupré+ 2005]

What is the comparative part of this mission?

- New fundamental plasma physics mechanisms 
- Theoretical and experimental work has predicted that TLEs should be present on other planets
[Yair+ 2009]
- Jupiter
 - The Juno mission observed 11 bright flashes with an average duration of 1.4 ms at 260 km altitude above the 1-bar-level. They have characteristics comparable to TLEs on earth
[Giles+ 2020]
- Event comparison between earth and other planets will improve the understanding of the planetary atmospheric electrical activity





Why a space mission?



- Global mapping with large statistics
- Some types of TLEs detected over the ocean
- Range of environmental conditions (solar cycle, season, location, sea surface temperature)
- Absorption of wavelengths from the troposphere when on ground (blue wavelengths)
[Chern+ 2003]
- Other options are locally (aircraft, ground, balloon, sounding rockets) and temporally restricted

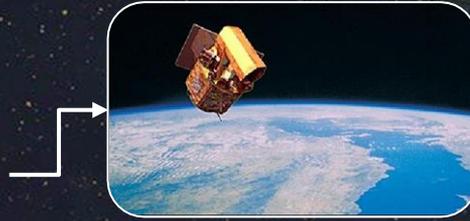




Previous & complementary missions

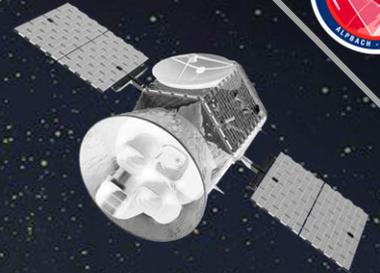
TLE

- FormoSat-2/ISUAL (2004-2015)
- SpriteSat (lost)



TGF

- RHESSI (2002-2018)
- Fermi (2008-present)
- AGILE (2007-present)



TLE & TGF

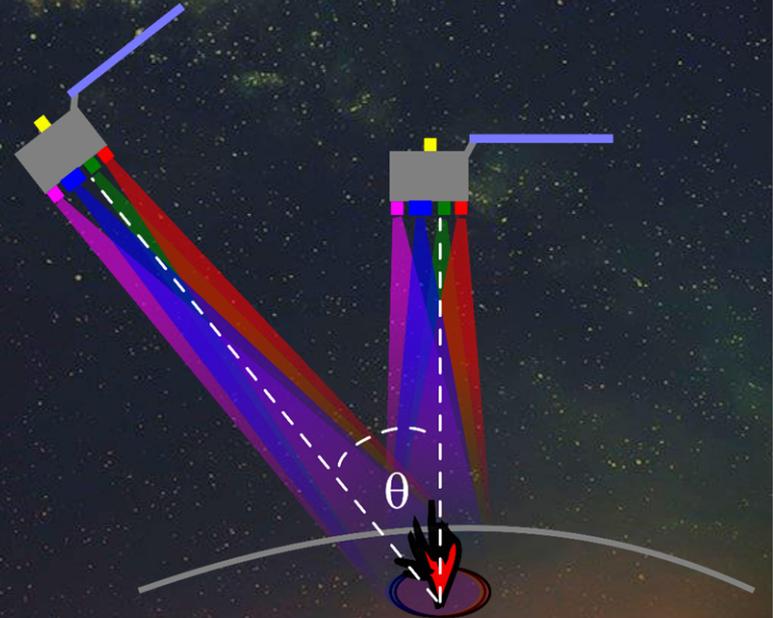
- TARANIS (lost)
- ASIM (2018-present)
- RELEC (2014-2014)





What distinguishes us from previous missions?

- CASPER is the first ever mission to observe upper atmospheric lightning in a stereo-configuration, allowing us to characterise the vertical structure of TLEs
- The mission will deliver the highest temporal optical imaging of TLEs to date from space





Complementary data



- Sea surface temperature [PO.DAAC]
- Magnetic field eg: Swarm
- Coordinated observations with ground observers [eg: Peng+ 2017]
- Solar cycle activity eg: SDO / STEREO / ACE
- Micrometeorites [Wescott+ 2001]





Expected detected events

Type	Raw Occurrence /Min	Detections/Mission Year
Elves	3.62	~1800
Halos	0.37	~180
Sprites	0.42	~230
Gigantic Jets	0.01	~5

	Detection Rate / Day	Detections/Mission Year
TGF	0.5	~180

Want 4 years observing time to collect > 20 GJ

0.09% area/min

[Hsu+2009, Chen+2008, Østgaard+2019]



Science Objectives and Requirements



Scientific objectives



- SO-1: Constrain the mechanism by which TLEs and TGFs originate and their link
 - SSO1: Characterize the spatial and temporal connection between thunderstorms, TGFs and TLEs
- SO-2: Constrain the extent to which TLEs and TGFs play a role in the interaction between the atmosphere, ionosphere and magnetosphere
 - SSO2: Quantify the energy transfer to the upper atmosphere and space
- SO-3: Identify the influence of environmental conditions
 - SSO3: Measure data over a spectrum of different environmental conditions, including but not limited to: solar cycle, sea surface temperature, geographic position



Scientific requirements

SR-1: Global Mapping of TLEs and TGFs

SR-2: Spatially resolve TLEs horizontally and vertically

SR-3: Temporally resolve TLEs and TGFs

SR-4: Measure energy spectrum of the TLEs and TGFs

SR-5: Detect electron flux from TLEs and TGFs

SR-6: Discriminate downward from upward electron fluxes

SR-7: Identify lightning events





Measurement requirements



- MR-1: Vertical structure
- MR-2: Minimum spatial resolution of 0.5 km (horizontal + vertical)
- MR-3: Minimum temporal resolution of 0.3 ms
- MR-4: Observational wavelengths required
 - SMR-1: 762 nm (mainly N₂ 1P)
 - SMR-2: 777 nm (mainly O₂)
 - SMR-3: 150-280 nm (N₂ LBH UV band) [Blanc, 2010]
 - SMR-4: Gamma rays up to 10 MeV
 - SMR-5: X-rays from 20 keV
- MR-5: Upwards propagating electrons of 10 keV-10 MeV along the magnetic field lines (requires polar orbit)
- MR-6: Downwards propagating electrons of 30 keV-300 keV



Traceability matrix

Scientific objective	Scientific requirement	Measurement requirement
SSO-1	SR-1	MR-1, MR-2, MR-3, MR-4, MR-5, MR-6
	SR-2	MR-1, MR-2
	SR-3	MR-3
	SR-7	MR-4
SSO-2	SR-2	MR-1, MR-2
	SR-3	MR-3
	SR-4	MR-4
	SR-5	MR-5
SSO-3	SR-1	MR-1, MR-2, MR-3, MR-4, MR-5, MR-6
	SR-2	MR-1, MR-2
	SR-3	MR-3



Traceability SSO-1



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	SR-3	MR-3
	SR-7	MR-4



Traceability SSO-1

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Constrain the mechanisms by which TLEs and TGFs originate

Temporally resolve TLEs and TGFs

Minimum temporal resolution of 0.3 ms



Outline of the presentation



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Mission
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Gwendal Henaff



System drivers

INSTRUMENTS

- Spatial + temporal resolution
- Electron flux measurement
- Emission wavelengths

ORBITAL CHARACTERISTICS

- Stereography
- Global coverage
- Electron flux measurement

MISSION DESIGN

- Data volume
- Power



On-board instrumentation

High speed (MR3) and high resolution (MR1 + MR2) needs : conflicting requirements



High speed instrument
MR3 + MR4

High speed instrument
MR3 + MR4
+ MR5

High speed instrument
MR3 + MR4
+ MR5

High speed instrument
MR3 + MR4
+ MR6

High resolution instrument
MR2

Measurement requirements

MR1 : Vertical structure

MR2 : Horizontal + vertical spatial resolution < 0.5 Km

MR3 : temporal resolution < 0.3 ms

MR4 : Frequency observations :
762 nm, 777 nm, 200 nm, X-ray to
Gamma (20 keV - 10 MeV)

MR5 : upwards electrons count
between 10 keV and 10 MeV

MR6 : Downwards electrons count
between 30 keV and
300 keV



On-board Instrumentation

UPVIS:

UV + 740-780nm + IR
photometer
1px
300 Hz

MR3

MR4

IPG:

γ -ray scintillator
1px
300 Hz

MR3

MR4

MR5

IPXI:

γ + X-ray scintillator
1px
300 Hz

MR3

MR4

MR5

High speed trigger
instruments

ROTCAM:

CMOS camera
1024 x 1024 px
762 nm, 777 nm,
200 nm
60 Hz

MR2

Low speed high
resolution instrument

DELEC:

Scintillator
300Hz
pointing upwards

MR6

FLY-IP:

On-board image
processing for data
selection

Measurement requirements

MR1 : Vertical structure

MR2 : Horizontal + Vertical
spatial resolution < 0.5 Km

MR3 : temporal resolution <
0.3 ms

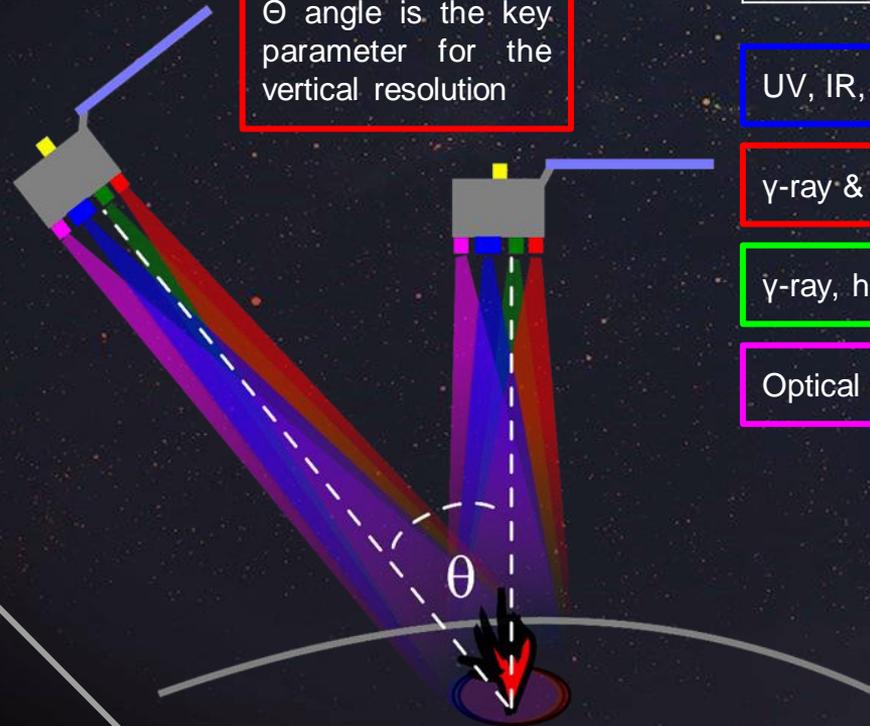
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Observation concept

Θ angle is the key parameter for the vertical resolution



Measurement requirements

MR1 : vertical structure

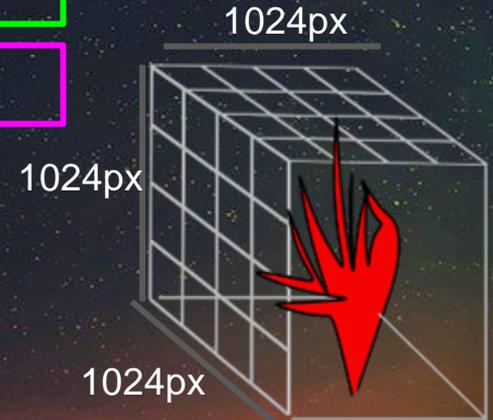
MR2 : horizontal + vertical spatial resolution 0.5km

UV, IR, VIS, high res. images

γ -ray & X-ray, high rate trigger

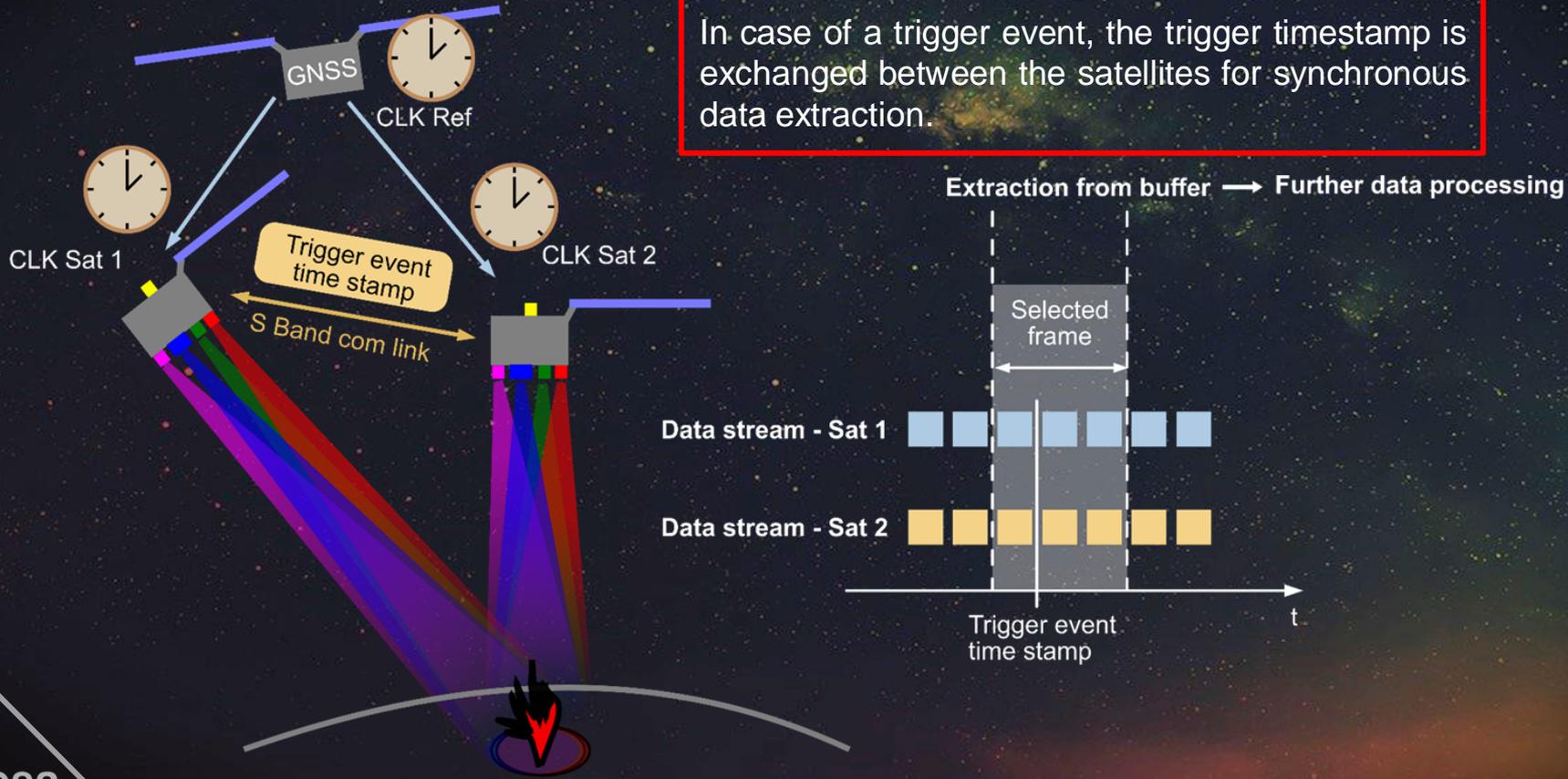
γ -ray, high rate trigger

Optical (IR) / UV, high rate trigger

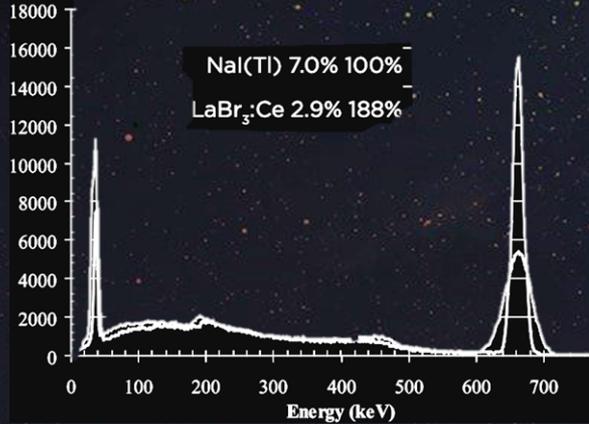


Measurement synchronization

In case of a trigger event, the trigger timestamp is exchanged between the satellites for synchronous data extraction.



Fast trigger-X-ray, gamma, electrons

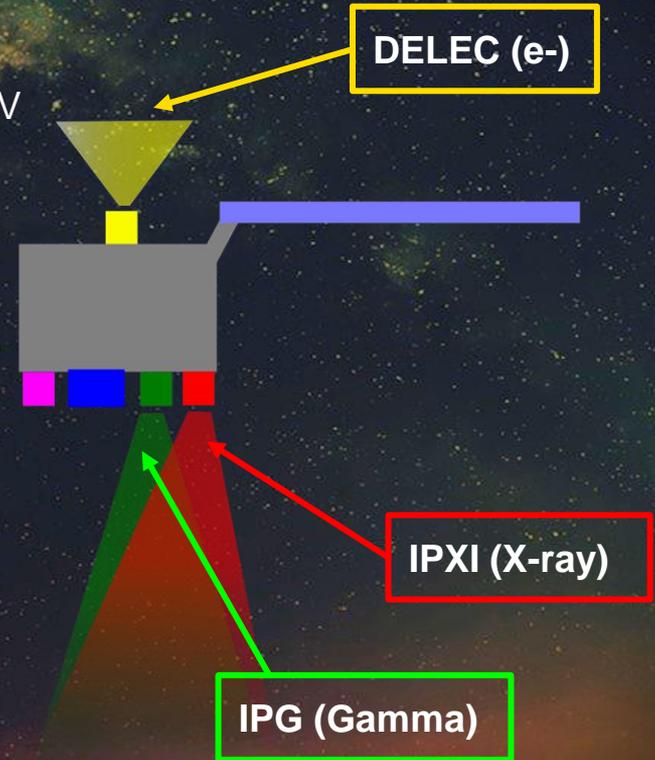


IPG / IPXI / DELEC

Photon range : 20 keV to 10 MeV
Electrons : 1 MeV to 10 MeV
1 pixel
300 Hz

Three versions:

- DELEC : No filter, pointing upwards
- IPXI : No x-ray shield, pointing downwards
- IPG : With x-ray shield pointing downwards, gamma measurements

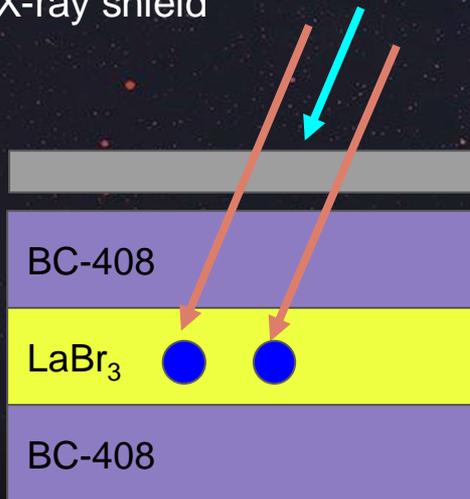


Fast trigger-X-ray, gamma, electrons

IPG

Photon range : 60 keV to 10 MeV

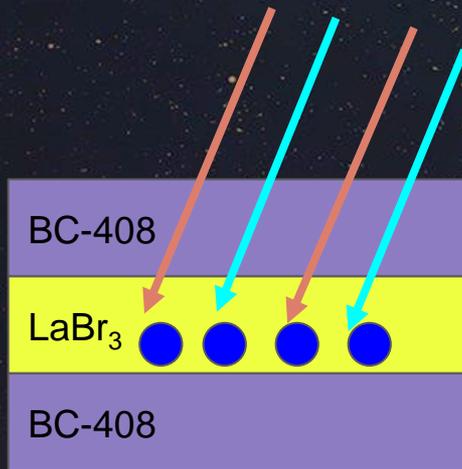
Gamma and X-rays with X-ray shield



IPXI

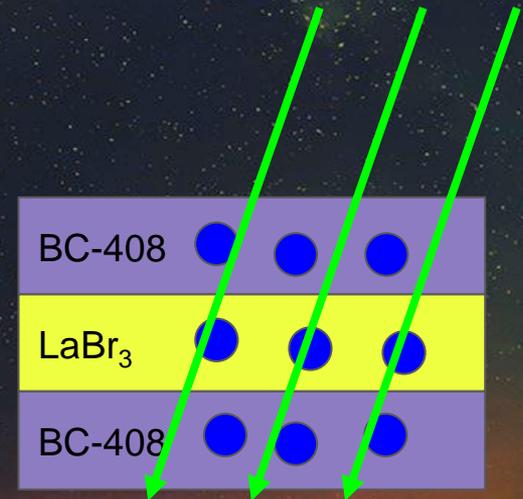
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Gamma and X-rays



DELEC

Electrons : 1 MeV to 10 MeV

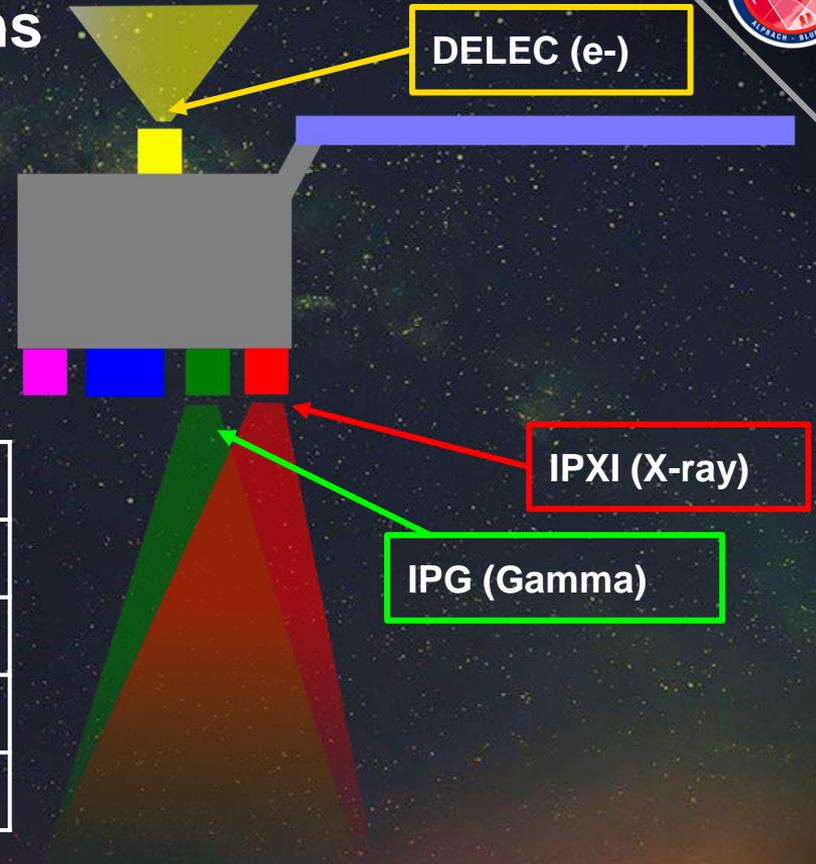


Fast trigger-X-ray, gamma, electrons

IPG / IPXI / DELEC

- Crystal scintillators
- High voltage power supply
- PMT

Readiness :	TRL 8, no flight heritage
Power :	~2W
Effective area :	~ 900 cm ²
FOV :	40°
Mass (individual) :	~500 g

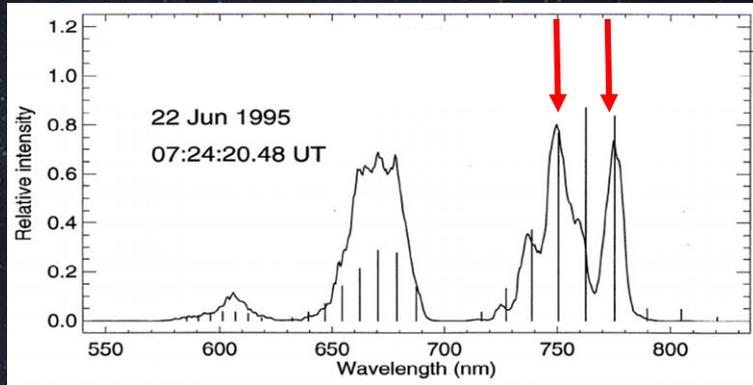




Fast trigger-UV/IR/optical

UPVIS - Optical photometer

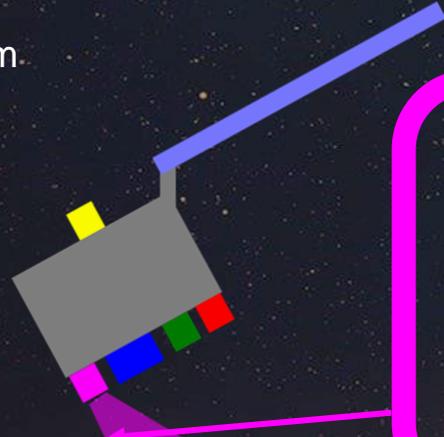
- Most intense line of the N₂ at 750 -780 nm
- 762 nm for sprite
- 777 nm for lightning
- N₂ Lyman-Birge-Hopfield (LBH) UV band system from 150 to 280 nm



[Hampton+1996]

Photometer analyzer

- Photomultiplier
- High voltage supply
- Acquires signals from the sensor



UPVIS photometer analyzer

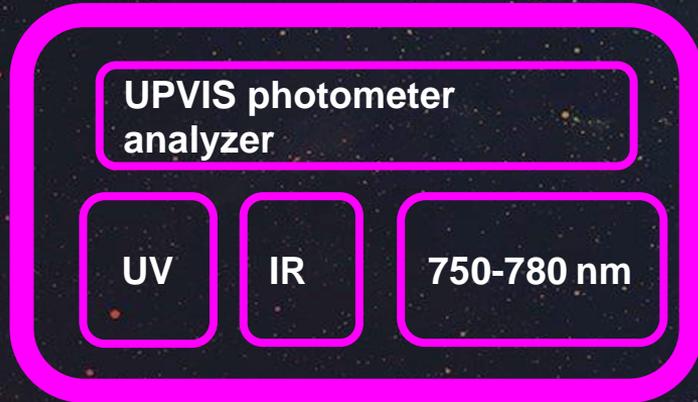
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IR

750-780nm

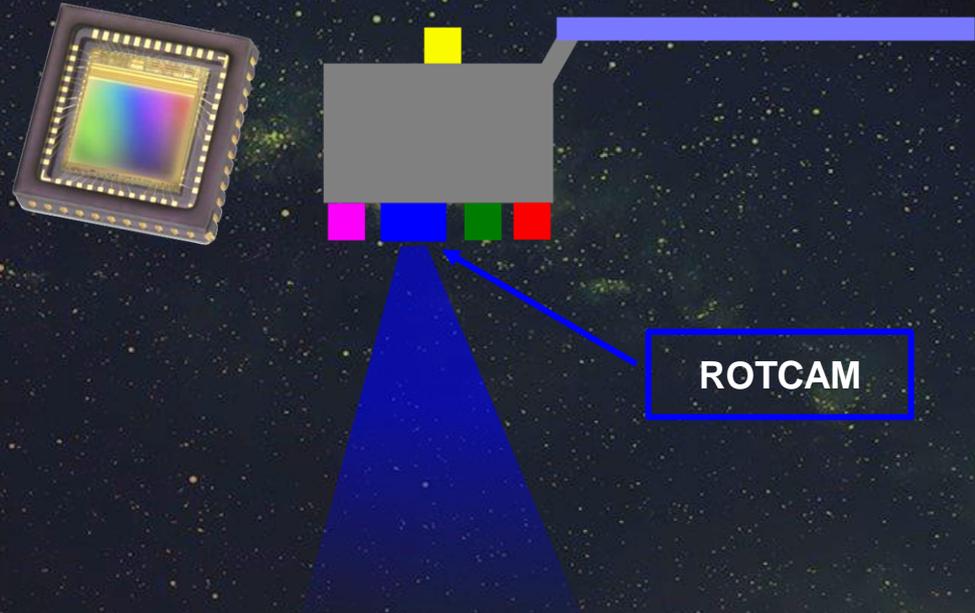


Fast trigger-UV/IR/optical



Readiness :	TRL 7, no flight heritage
Power :	<6 W
FoV :	40° (nadir) 12° (limb)
Mass :	~2.5 kg
Size:	185 x 127 x 200 mm

Imaging detectors



3 ROTCAM

- Teledyne Ruby EV76C660
Wavelengths:
 1. Ultraviolet (193-400 nm)
 2. Visible (400-700 nm)
 3. Near Infrared (700-1000 nm)
- CMOS 1280x1024 px (1.3 MP)
- Image size 1024 x 1024
- 60 fps full resolution readout
- 5.3 μm pixel size

Readiness:	TRL 6, no flight heritage
Power:	<1W
FoV:	40° (nadir) 12° (limb)

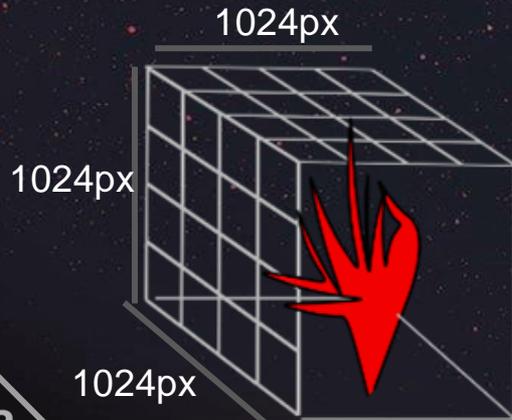


Instrument concept

ROTCAM:

3x CMOS Camera
1024x1024 px
60 Hz

Length of one TLE /
TGF : 10ms - 100ms



- 15 events / day
- 150 false events / day
- 3 Mbyte per frame
- 1 Mbyte/s for the triggers
- 30 frames per event
- 2*3 cameras, 2*7 triggers

Estimated data collection per day :

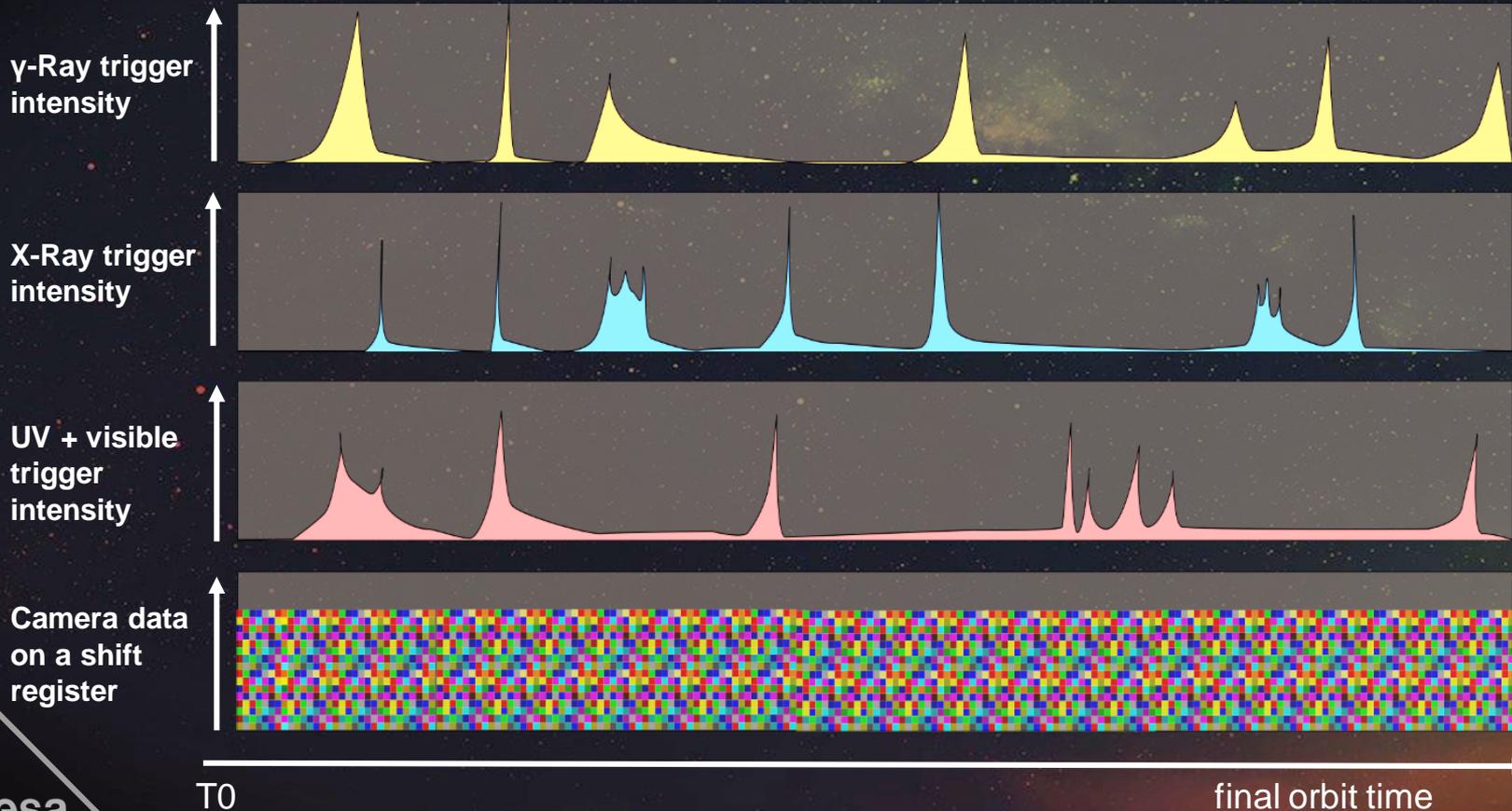
> 90 Gbytes / day for the camera data
> 5 Gbytes / day for the triggers data

High data load requires efficient on-board data processing

FLY-IP : FPGA encoded in-flight image processing for parametric area selection and data reduction

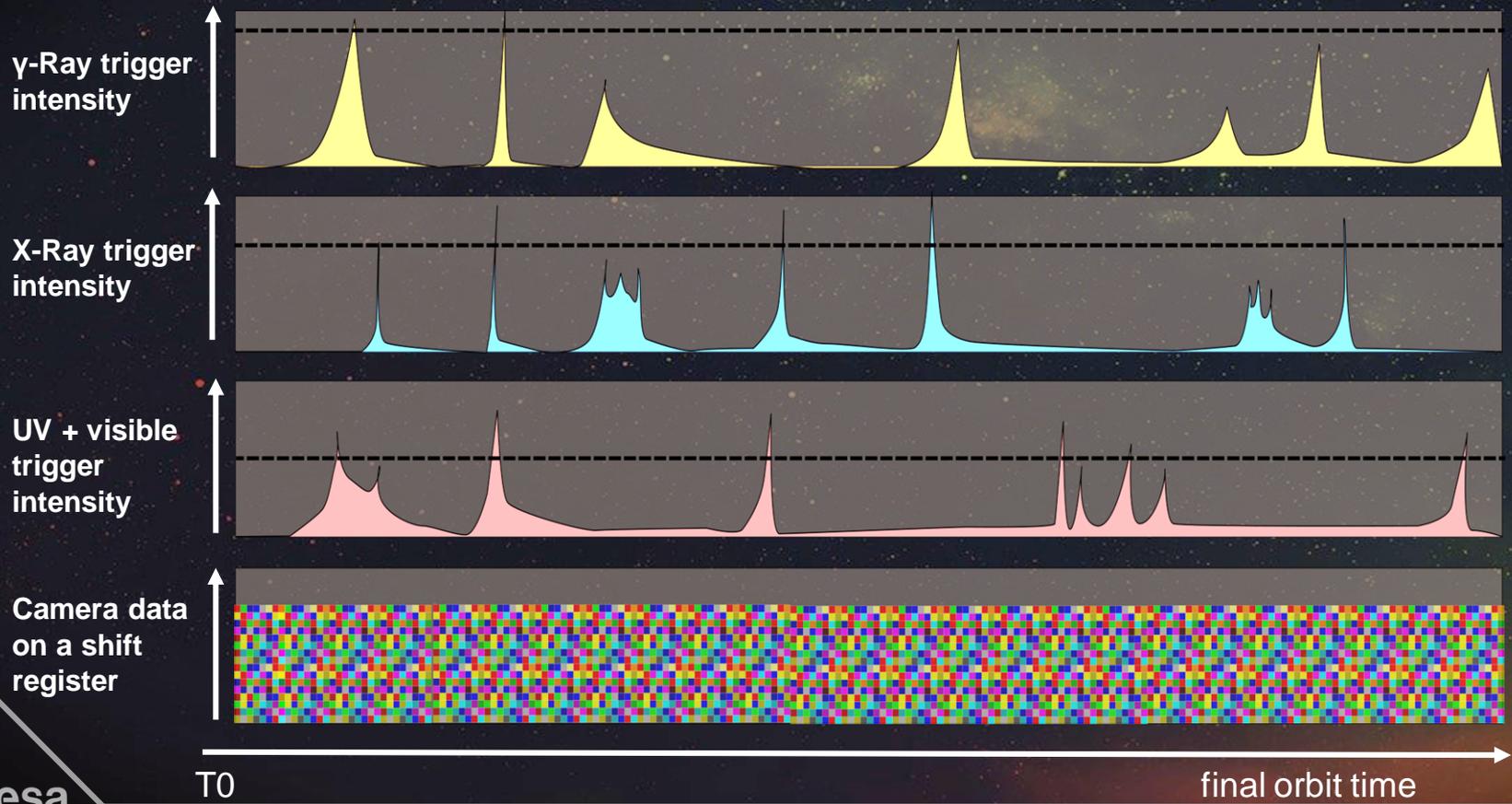


Data collection over one orbit



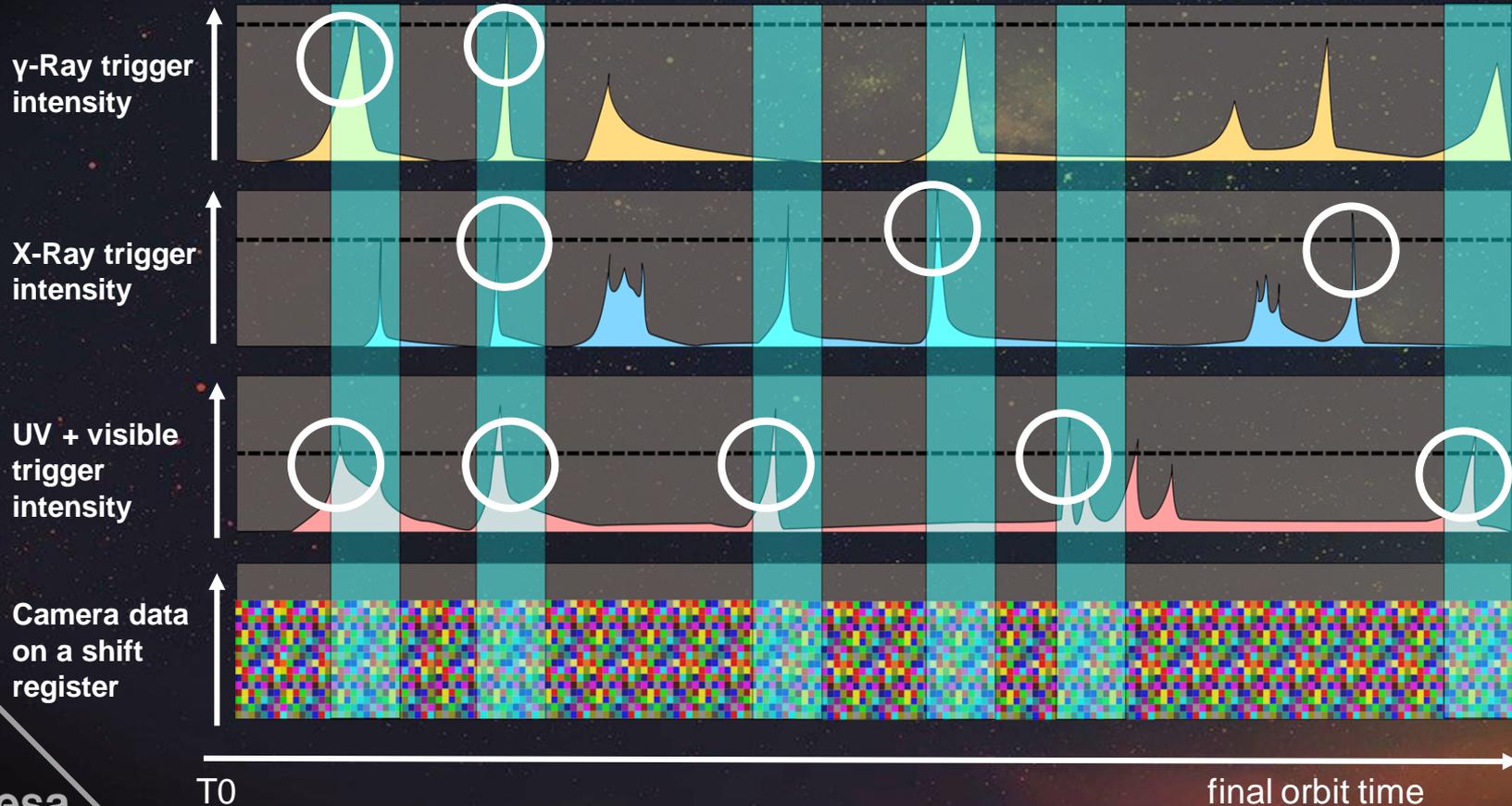


Data collection over one orbit, threshold positioning





Data collection over one orbit, detection of trigger events



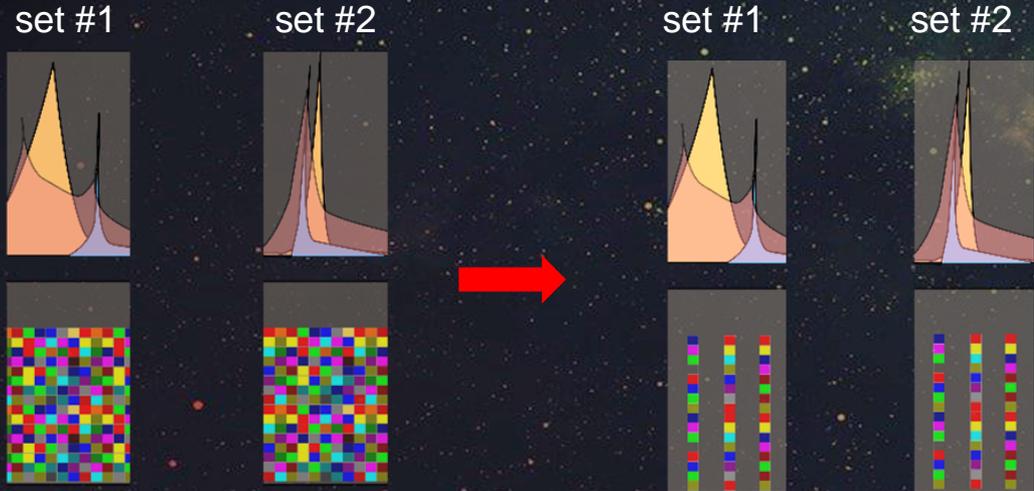


Data collection over one orbit





Data collection over one orbit



raw data sets in memory : 30 Mb each

selected data sets in memory : 3 Mb each

FPGA encoded in-flight image processing for parametric area selection and data reduction

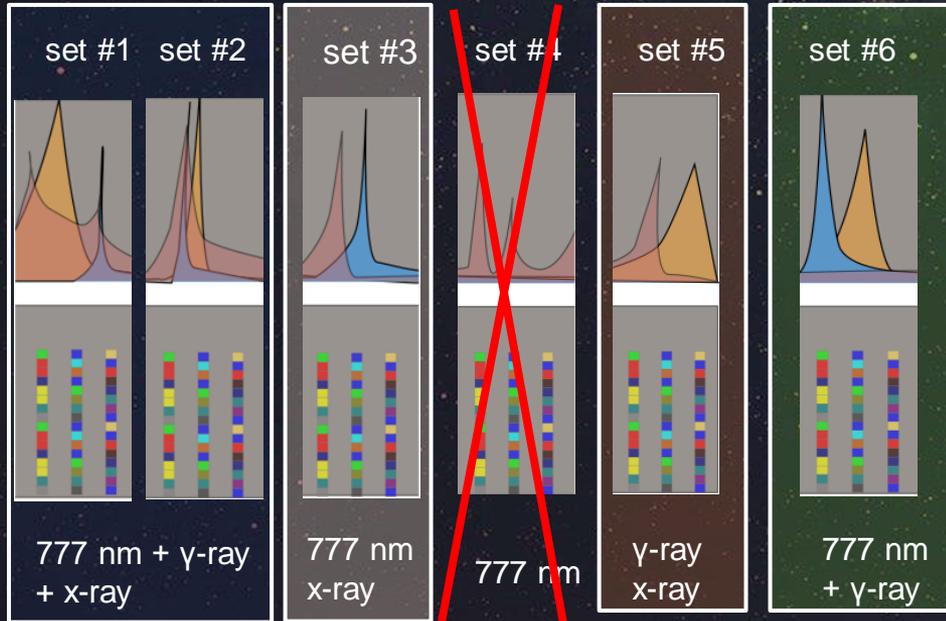
Each dataset has now a size of 30 frames of 1024x1024 pixels encoded on 3 bytes per frame:
One dataset is 30 Mbytes

An event will extend on 3 frames maximum:
first level processing reduces this data to 3 frames : 3 Mbytes





Data collection over one orbit



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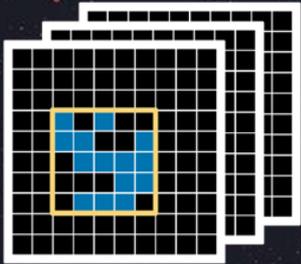




Image processing

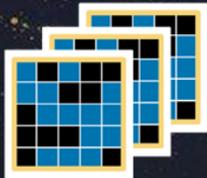


**Data reduction
(onboard)**



Parametric area selection

**Data transfer
(onboard)**



Meta data



Collection of relevant images, meta data, trigger signals

Data downlink

**Data evaluation
(science center)**



Meta data

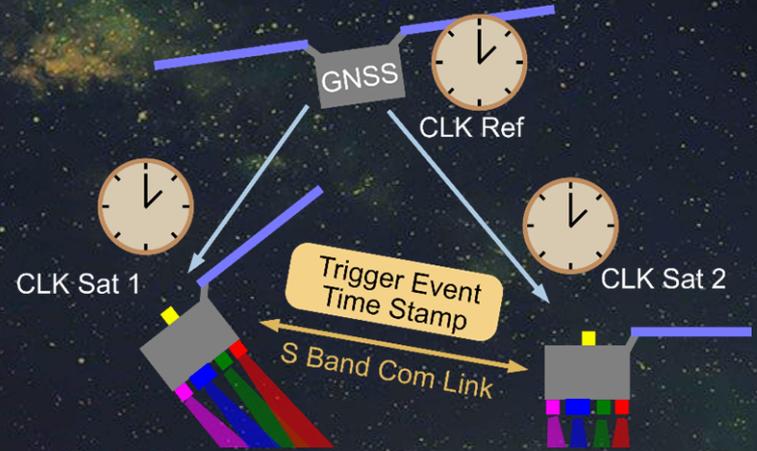
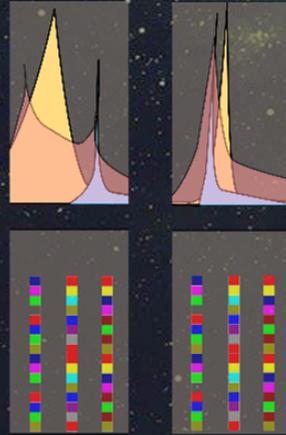
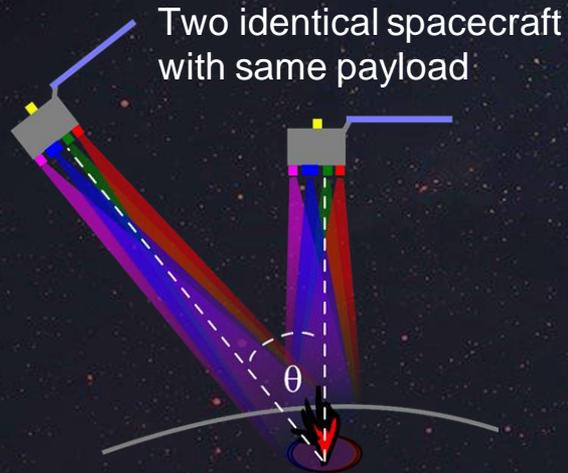


Auxiliary data

Fusion with auxiliary data from other sources and detailed data evaluation



Instrumentation summary



5 instruments :
 High frequency triggers : **IPXI, IPG, UPVIS**
 High spatial resolution instrument : **ROTCAM**
 Down electrons sensor : **DELEC**

Standard data set :
 ROTCAM frames
 IPXI, IPGI, IPVIS data

Synchronized clock time and time stamps in the meta data



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**Mission
Design**

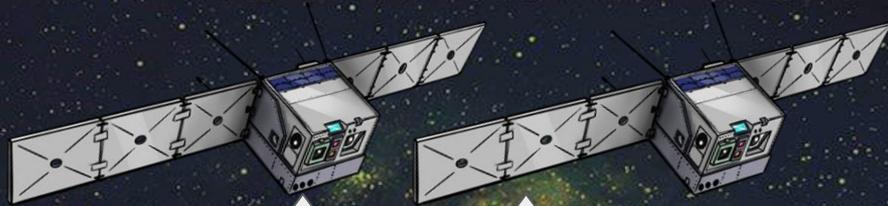
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Mission overview

F-Class mission

How did we come up with this ...



5 Instruments each

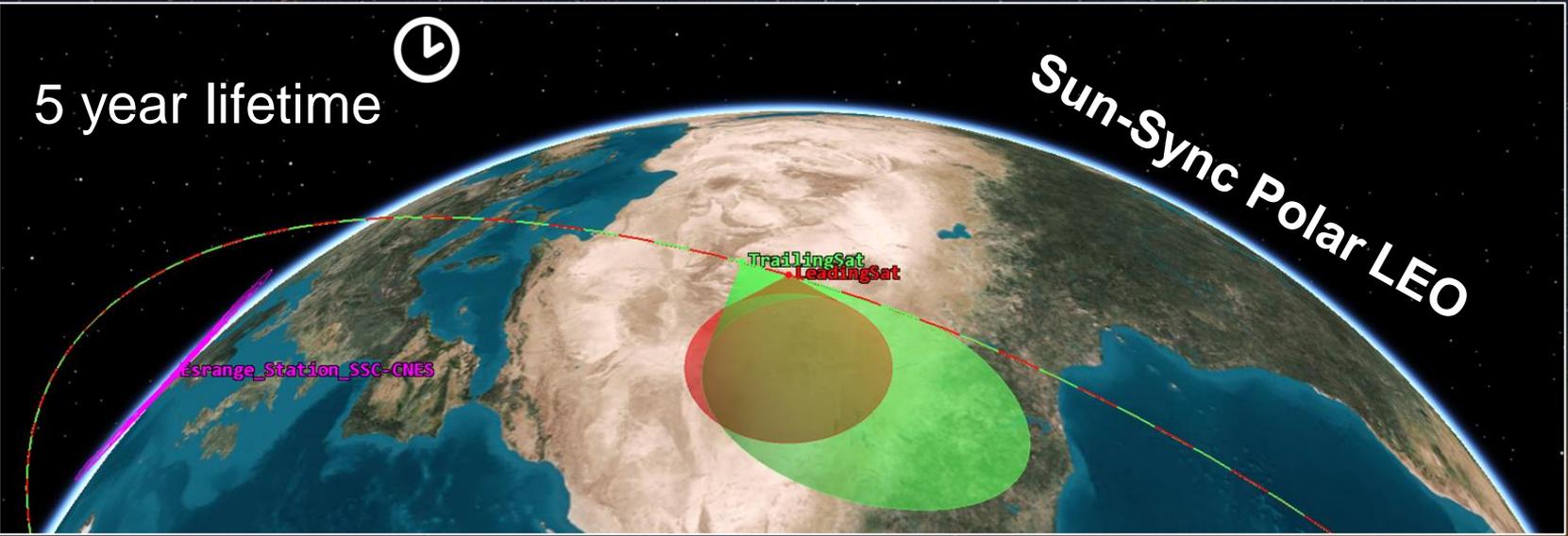
5 year lifetime



Sun-Sync Polar LEO

Esrange_Station_SSC-CNES

TrailingSat
LeadingSat



Mission requirements

Orbit

- SR-1: Global Mapping
- SR-5: Detecting electron flux

Electron flux near poles

500 – 800 km

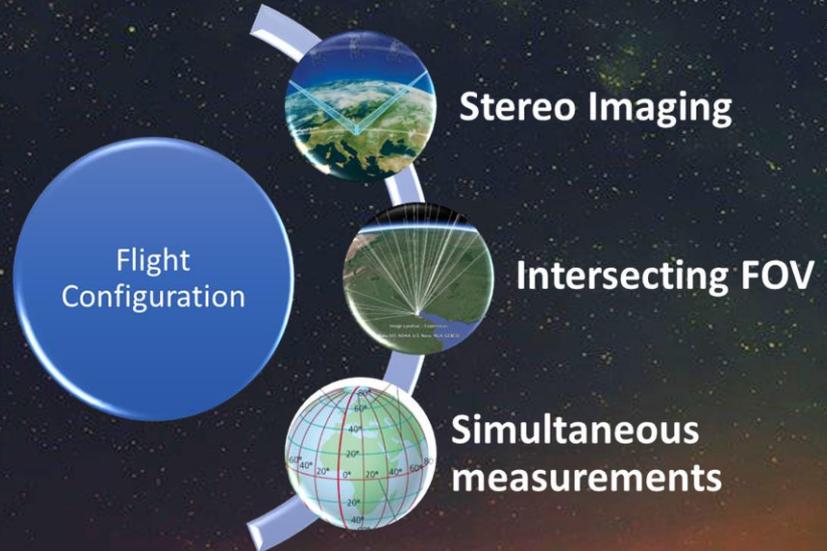
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Rideshare



Flight configuration

- SR-2: Spatially resolve TLEs
- SR-4 / SR-7: *'Measure low intensity events'*



Mission profile

- Sun synchronous LEO
 - Inclination = 98°
 - RAAN rate = $9.5^\circ / \text{day}$
- Altitude = 670 km
- Ascending node time = 10:30
- 14 orbits / day
- Period = 96 mins

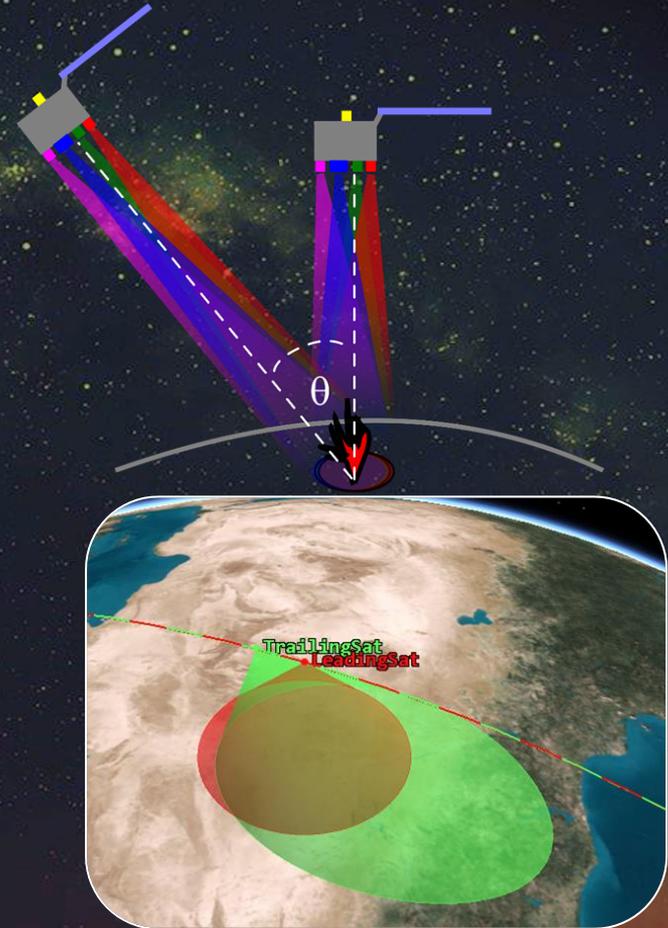
Delta V Requirements

ΔV Phase Maneuver = 75.4 m/s

ΔV Deorbit = 70 m/s

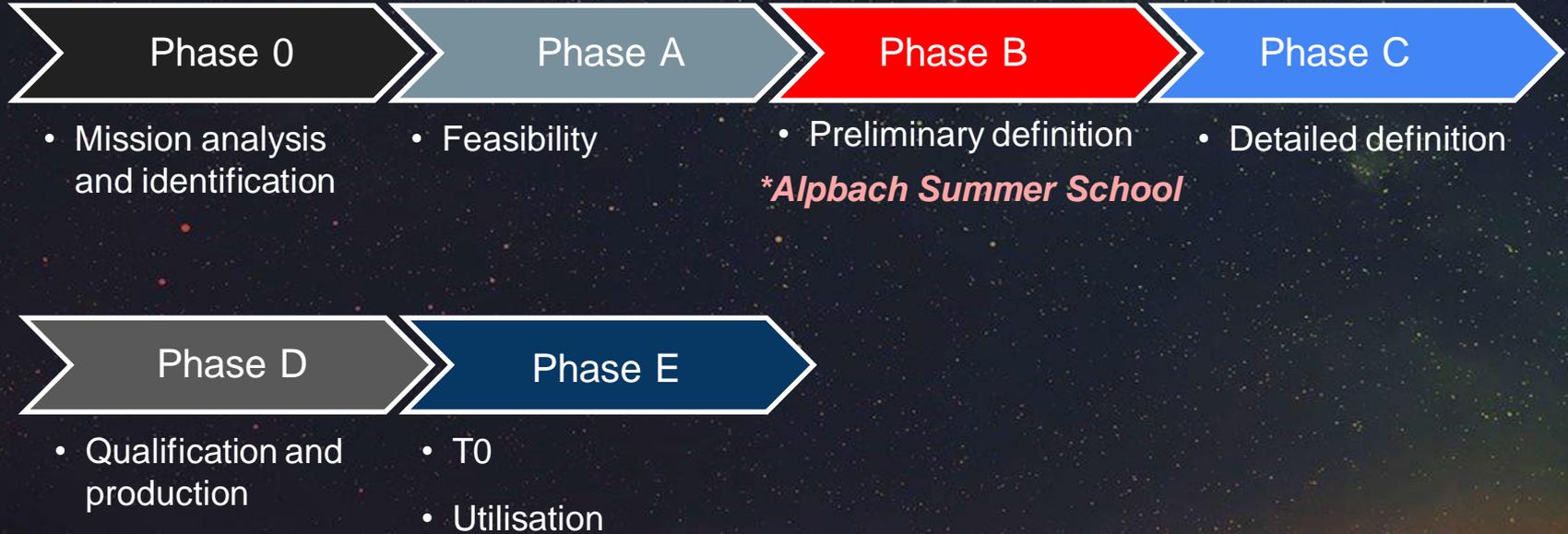
ΔV Margin = 10 m/s

Total ΔV = 155 m/s





Development phases





Mission phases



- $T < 20$ days
- Vega rideshare launch
- No time demand for launch
- Orbit injection maneuvers

- $T < 0.5$ year
- Phase injection maneuvers
- Instrument health
- Instrument calibration

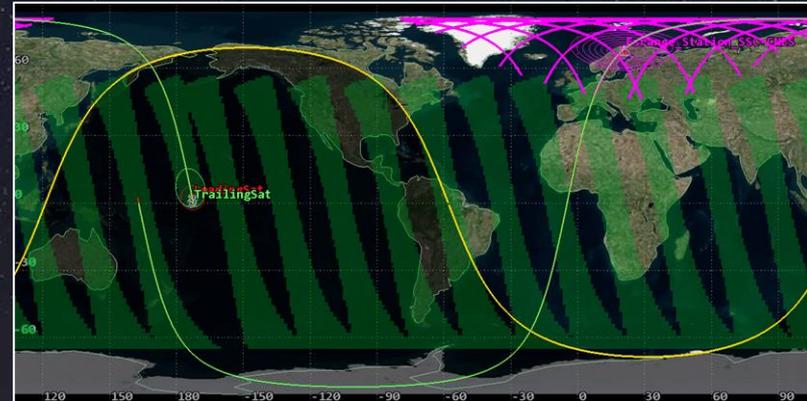
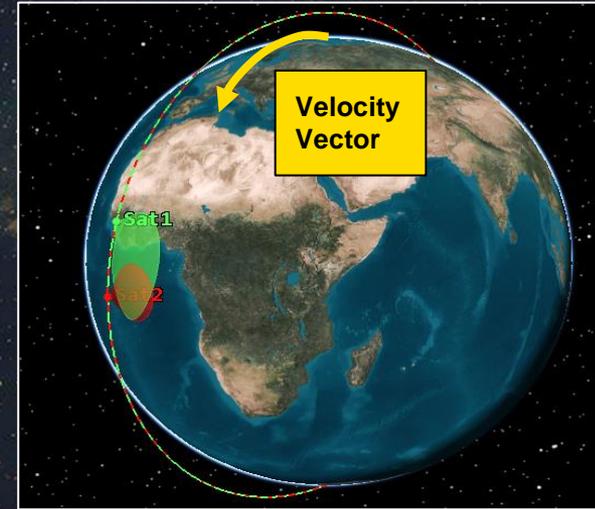
- $T < 5$ years
- Orbit maintenance maneuvers
- Main objective operations - gather and transmit data

- $T \geq 5$ years
- End of nominal mission*
- End of main objective operations
- De-orbit into atmosphere

**Option for extended mission*

Instrument pointing & coverage

- TLE latitudes of interest = $\pm 65^\circ$
 - 70 min observation per orbit
- FOV cone half angle = 40° (nadir) 12° (limb)
- Phase angle = 5.25°
- Pointing accuracy requirement = 1°
- Coverage
 - 1 day: 50% of surface
 - 2 day: 80% of surface
 - 7 days: 96.5% of surface





Choosing a BUS

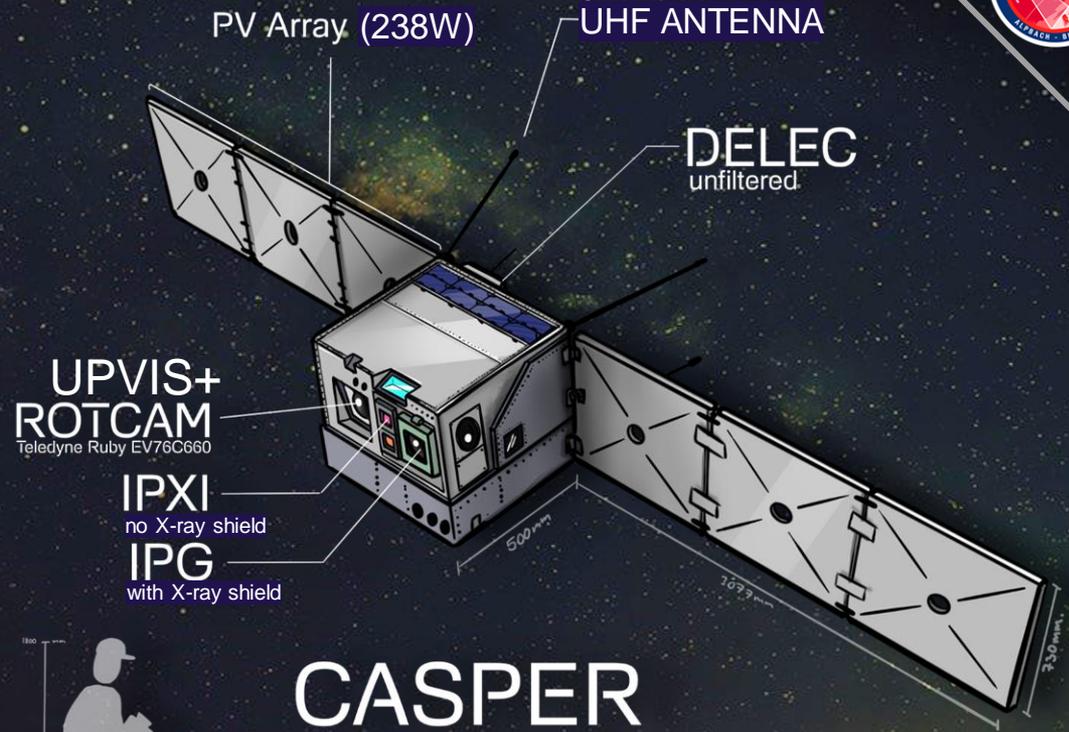


Subsystem	Mission Requirements	NanoAvionics MP42	Reorbit Gluon	Proprietary w/ Integration Partner
Pointing Accuracy	1°	0.05°	0.02°	> 1°
ΔV	155 m/s	170 m/s	225 m/s	> 140 m/s
TX Rate	100 MB/s	500 MB/s	500 MB/s	> 100 MB/s
Power	140 W	237 W	100 W	> 140 W
Lifetime	5 Yrs.	6 Yrs.	3 Yrs.	> 5 Yrs.
Battery	80 Wh	300 Wh	-	> 80 Wh
Cost (M €)	€ € €	€ €	€ €	€ € € €



Spacecraft design

- Bus choice: NanoAvionics MP42
 - TLR 9
 - Integration partner
- Specs:
 - Volume: 500 x 500 x 700 mm
 - X-band TX: 500 Mb/s
 - Solar arrays: 238 W
 - Bus mass: 45kg
 - Monoprop thruster: 1N
 - Magnetorquer + 4 reaction whls.
 - ΔV : 170 m/s



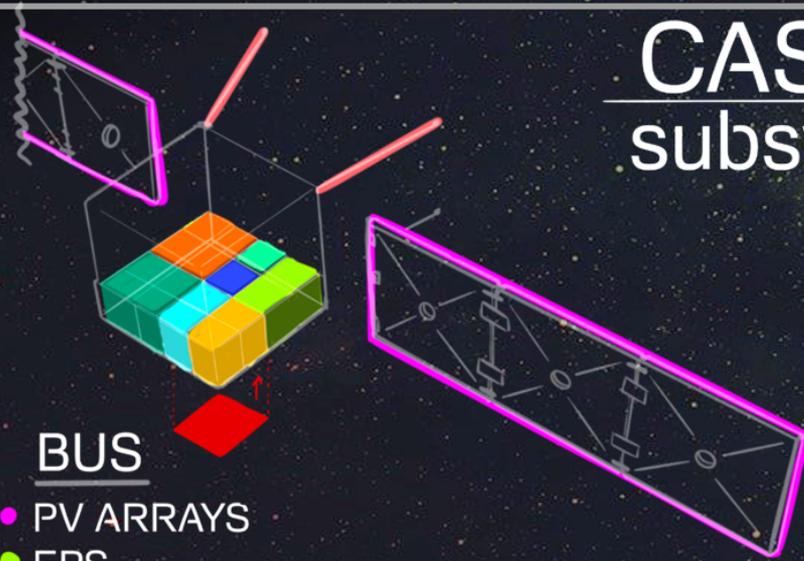
CASPER spacecraft

NanoAvionics MP42
TLR 9
ESA ECSS rated



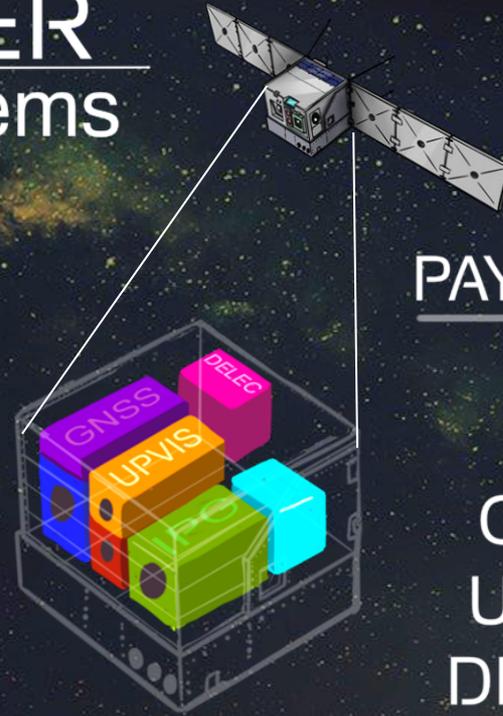


CASPHER subsystems



BUS

- PV ARRAYS
- EPS
- X-BAND RADIO
- ADCS (MGT + RW)
- OBC
- PAYLOAD CONTROLLER
- UHF TELEMETRY ANTENNA
- UHF RADIO
- ADN PROPELLANT
- X-BAND PATCH ANTENNA



PAYLOAD

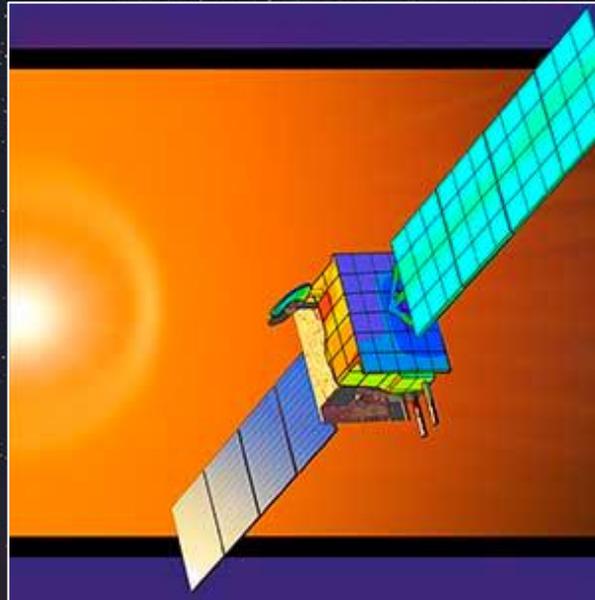
- IPG
- IPXI
- GNSS
- UPVIS
- DELEC
- ROTCAM
- STORAGE



Thermal control

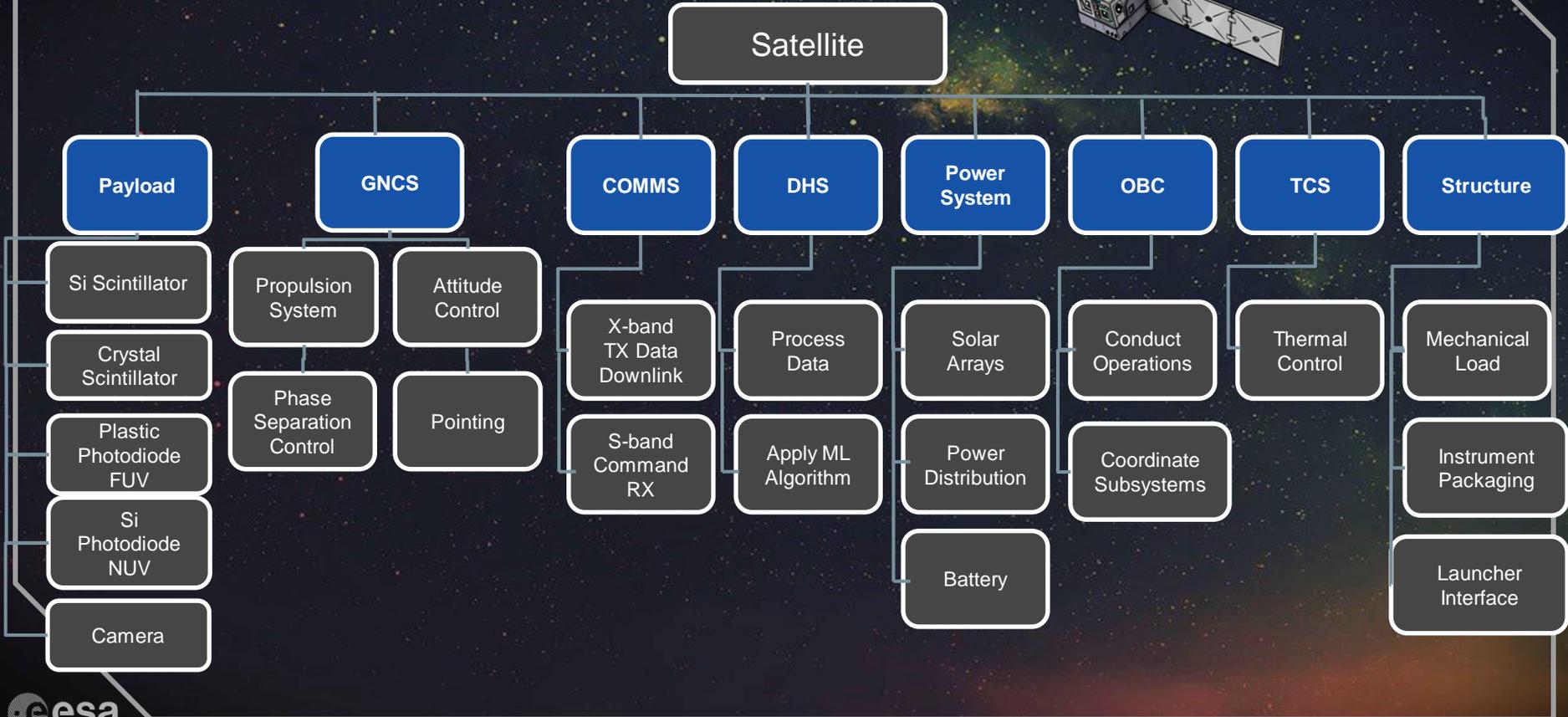
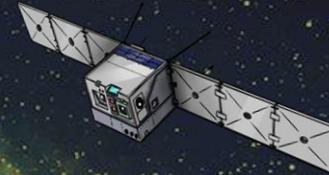
- Hot case: Burst mode
 - Power dissipation 30 W
- Cold case: Standby mode
 - Power dissipation 8.5W
- Satellite bus configurable w/ 50W radiator
- Heaters needed for camera
 - Operating temp 25°C

Heat source	Hot Case	Cold Case
Electronics (W)	30	8.5
IR earth (W/m ²)	258	216
Albedo (W/m ²)	466.62	0
Sun (W/m ²)	1368	0





Product tree with allocated functions





Operational modes

Mode 1: Standby mode *South pole pass* **South Atlantic Anomaly*

- Function 1.1 Data processing
 - Scientific Instruments: **OFF**
 - Image compression

Mode 2: Reduced operations *Day pass*

- Function 2.1 - Scientific observation
 - 2x Scintillators (electron flux): **ON**
 - 2x Photodiodes: **ON**
 - Camera **OFF**

Mode 4: Full operations *Night pass*

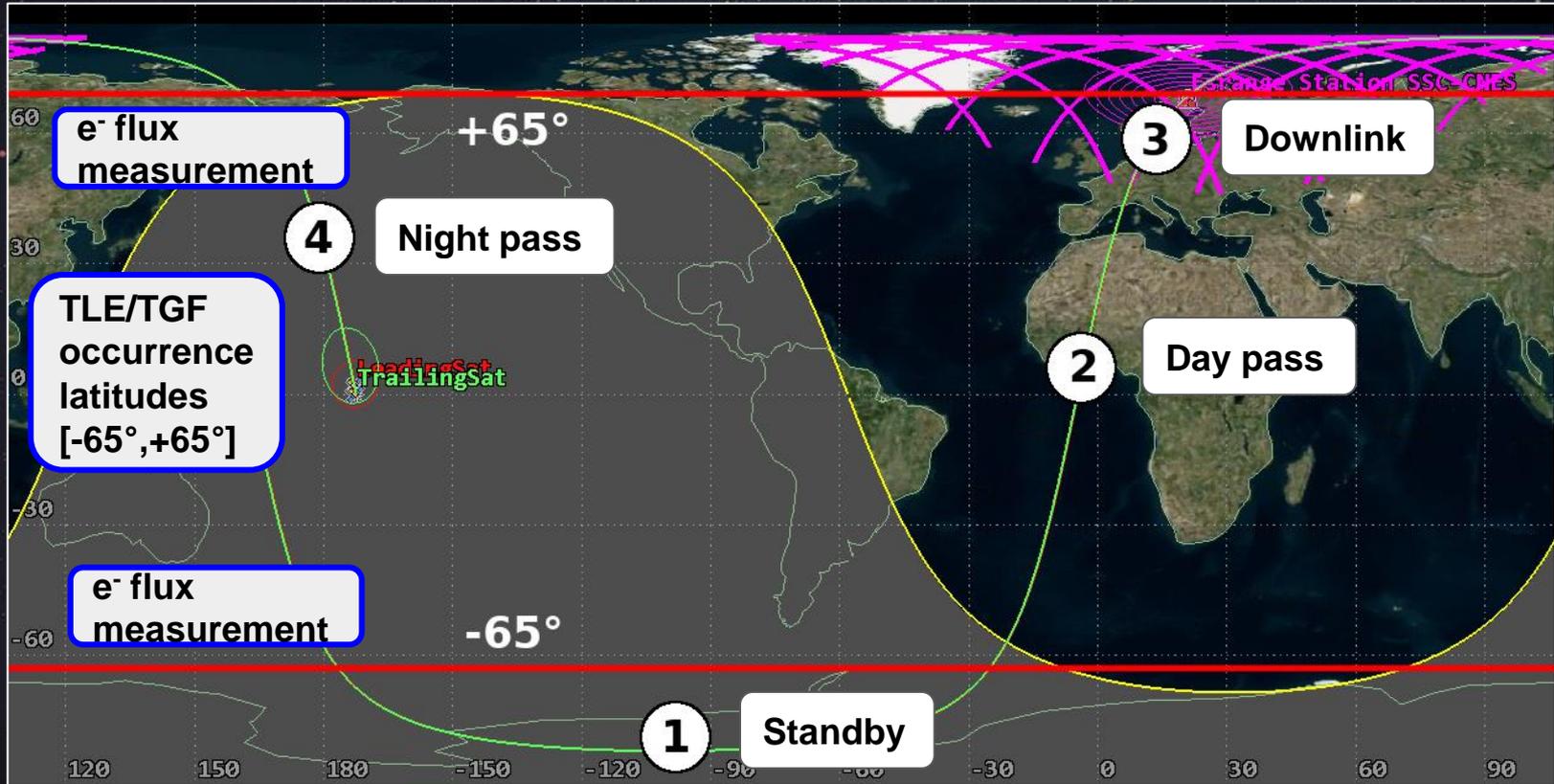
- Function 4.1 - Scientific observation
 - 2x Scintillators (electron flux): **ON**
 - 2x Photodiodes: **ON**
 - Camera: **ON**

Mode 3: Data link mode *Esrange pass*

- Function 3.1 - Rx & TX data transmission
 - Scientific instruments: **OFF**
 - X-band: **ON** (TX downlink)

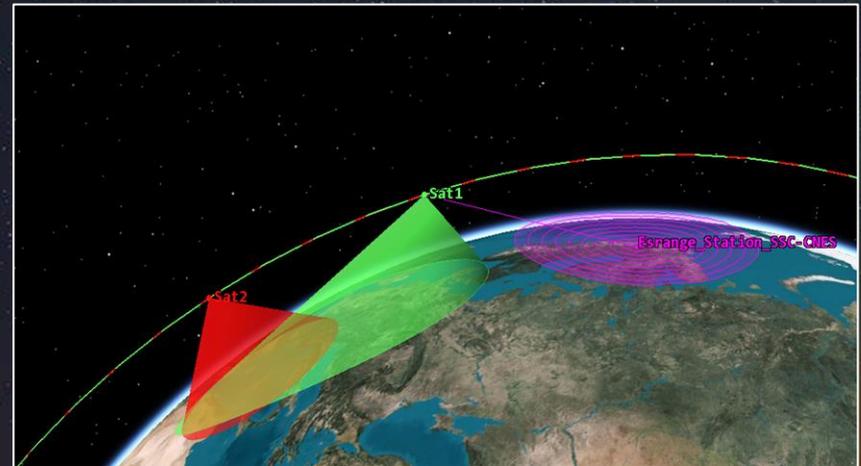


Operational modes



Ground station

- Esrange Station - Kiruna, Sweden
 - High latitude maximises access time
- 12 ground passes / 24 hrs
- X-band downlink: 500 Mb/s
 - Data generated: 90 GB per day
 - TX time required: 1500 seconds
 - Access time: 8000 seconds / 24 hrs
 - 19% of access time
- 300 TB on ground storage



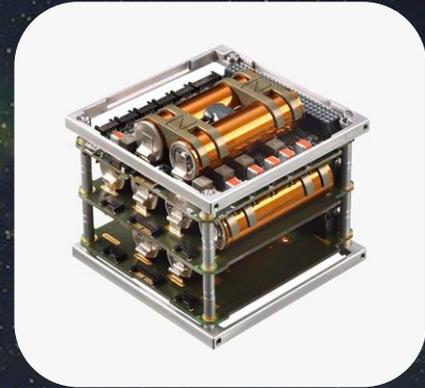


Power budget

Subsystem	Margin	Mode 1: Standby (W)	Mode 2: Day Pass (W)	Mode 3: Downlink (W)	Mode 4: Night Pass (W)	Mode 4.1: Burst (W)
Payload	10%	-	28	-	5	28
Thermal Control	5%	10	10	10	10	10
C&DH	5%	5	5	5	5	5
Communication	5%	2	2	8	2	2
ADCS	5%	-	30.5	30.5	30.5	30.5
Propulsion	5%	-	-	-	8	-
Other	5%	-	-	-	-	25
Subtotal		17	45	54	61	101
Margin		20%	20%	20%	20%	20%
Total		20	54	64	73	121

Power sizing

- Max power draw: 121 W
- PV Array: 238W
 - TLR 9
- Battery: 300 Wh
 - Day side charging rate: 184 W
 - Charging time per orbit: 48 mins
 - Charge per orbit: **147 Wh** ✓
- Beginning of life (BOL) efficiency: 30%
- End of Life (EOL) efficiency: 16%





Mass budget

- 3 sensor camera TRL 6
- Scintillators TRL 8

Payload Mass			
Instrument	Mass (Kg)	% Margin	Mass + Margin (Kg)
Si-photodiode far UV	5	5%	5.3
SI-photodiode near UV	5	5%	5.3
Crystal scintillator	5	5%	5.3
Plastic scintillator	5	5%	5.3
Camera	12	10%	13.8
Total Payload Mass	33	-	35

Spacecraft Mass				
Subsystem	% of Dry mass	Mass (Kg)	% Margin	Mass+ margin (Kg)
Payload	31%	35	0%	35
Structure	27%	30	5%	32
Thermal Control	2%	2	5%	2
Power (inc. S/A)	21%	24	5%	25
Communications	2%	2	5%	2
On Board Computer	5%	6	5%	6
Attitude Control	6%	7	5%	7
Propulsion	3%	3	5%	4
Other	3%	3	5%	4
Dry Mass	100%	112	-	116
System Margin	20%	23	-	139
Propellant	2%	6	20%	7
Total Wet Mass	-	141	-	146



Cost budget

- Science Ops: €12M
 - Team of scientists processing data on ground
- Rideshare = 1/4 cost per s/c
- Comercial BUS = 1/2 proprietary bus costs

Contribution per ESA member state citizen: **€0.31**

	1x Spacecraft	2x Spacecraft
Spacecraft elements	Million €	Million €
Structure	1.5	3
Thermal Control	0.9	1.8
ADCS	1.2	2.4
Electrical power supply	2	4
Propulsion (reaction control)	0.8	1.6
Telemetry Tracking and Command	1	2
Command and data handling	1.2	2.4
Payload	2	4
Installation assembly and test	2	4
Engineering, software	10	12
Mission Segment SubTotal	23	38
Program management	10	10
Mission operation	10	10
Science operation	12	12
Data Storage	0.6	0.6
Industrial cost	15	30
Shared Launch	10	20
Initial cost	80	120
Margin	20%	20%
Total cost	96	143



Data distribution and postprocessing

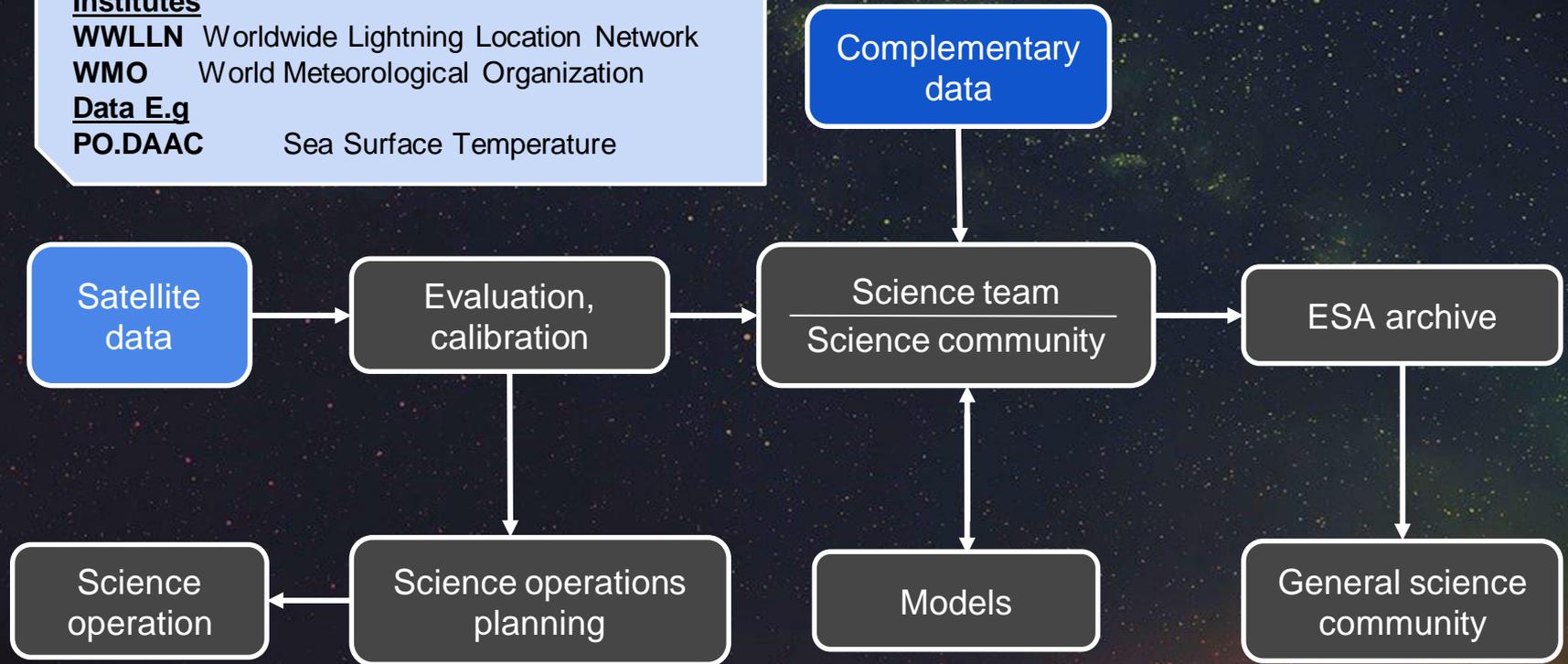
Institutes

WWLLN Worldwide Lightning Location Network

WMO World Meteorological Organization

Data E.g

PO.DAAC Sea Surface Temperature



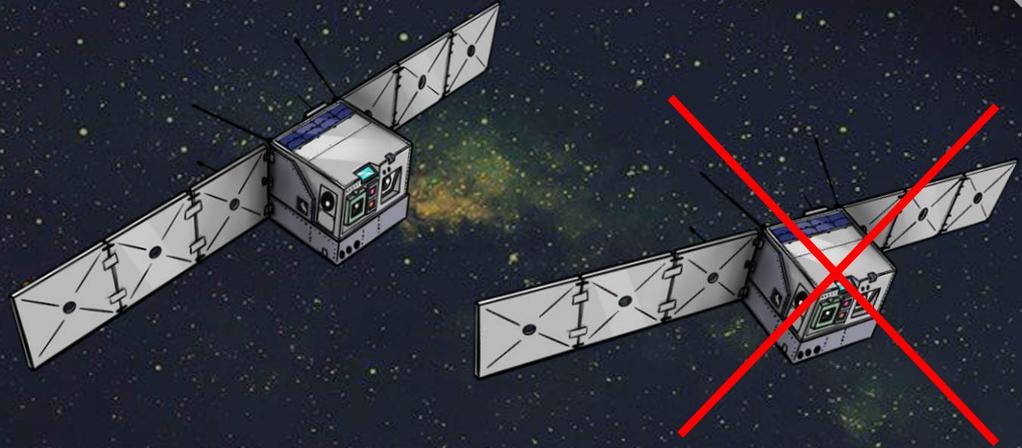


Risk assessment

- Subsystems
 - TRL 9
 - Off the shelf
- Instruments
 - Camera: TRL 6
 - Instruments: TRL 8
 - Passed pre-flight testing
 - No flight heritage
 - Development time risk
- Common LEO orbit risks inc.
 - Launch failure
 - System or component damage (space debris)



Descoping options

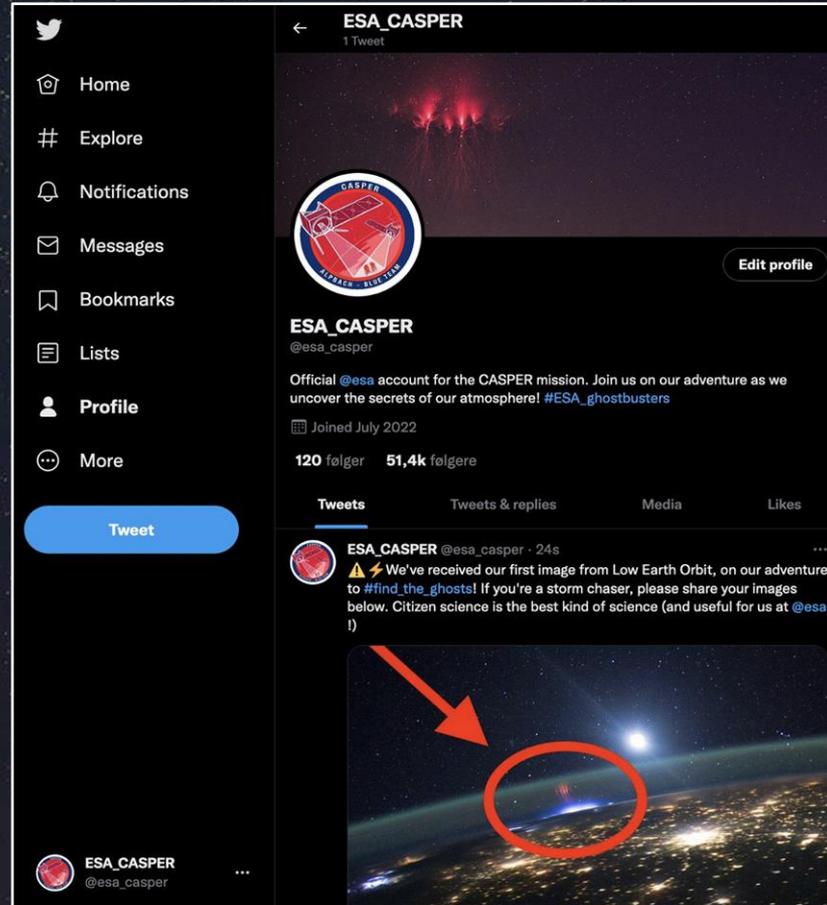


- Best Case: Reduce from 3 to 1 camera sensor(s)
 - Lose spectral comparison data
- Worst Case: Reduce from 2 to 1 satellite(s)
 - Loss of stereo imaging
 - No backup instruments



Outreach - social media

- Social media
 - Emphasis on citizen science.
- TLEs interesting to public.
- Coordination w/ ground based observations
 - e.g. *Storm Chasers* community.
- Success with earlier social media campaigns (ex: Rosetta mission)





Contributions

We recognised the need to understand special Plasma processes called TLEs and TGFs.

Created CASPER to:

- Spatially and temporally resolve them
- Measure the energy spectrum of these events
- Detect their triggering process
- Build an understanding of them



Any questions?

