

TSAT Globalstar ELaNa-5 Extremely Low-Earth Orbit (ELEO) Satellite

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See Reference section for student publications

TSAT Review Objectives

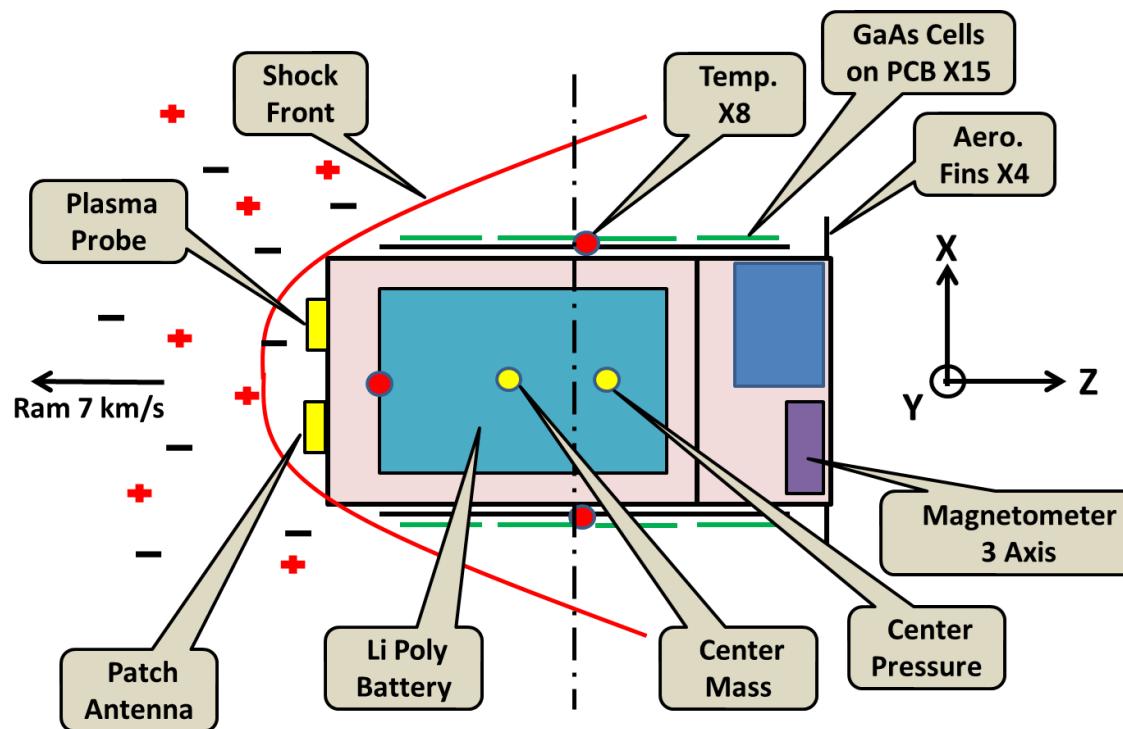
- Test Globalstar network for Small Sats
- Education
- Explore Extremely Low Earth Orbit (ELEO)
Ionosphere 325 km to 110 km
- Plasma Density ELEO data

Talk Outline

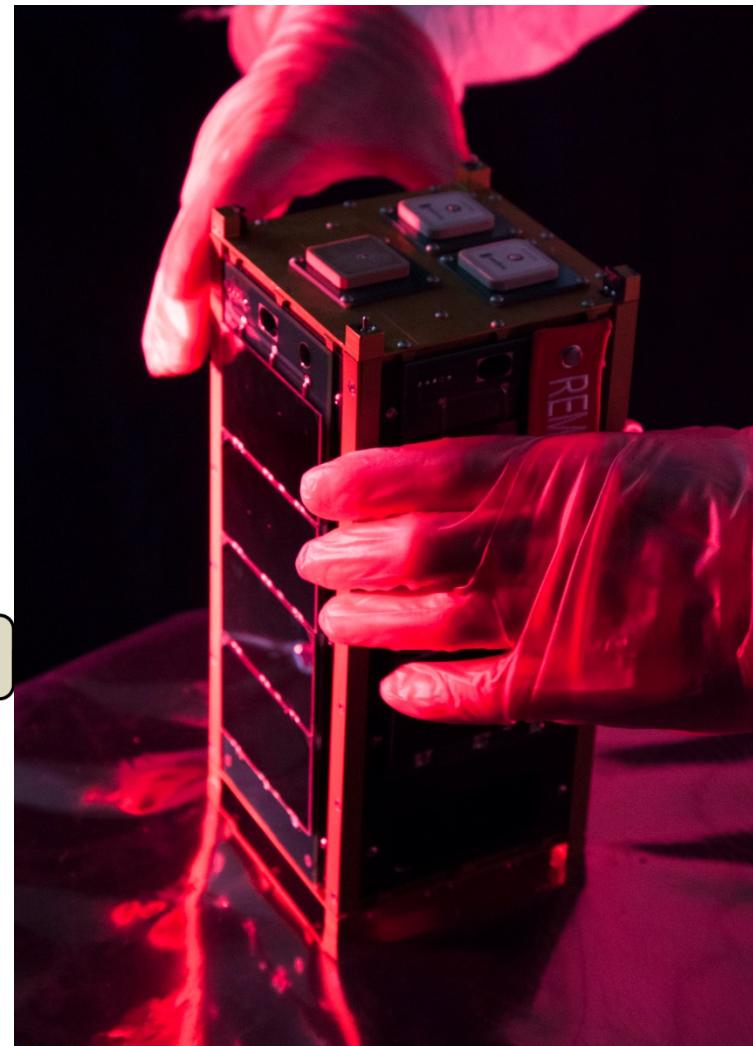
Hank Voss on TSAT Preliminary Results

Jeff Dailey on Globalstar Communication Network Details

TSAT Concept Diagram



TSAT details in Small Sat AIAA paper proceedings
SSC14-WK-6, Also NSL at Booth 117 - Hardware

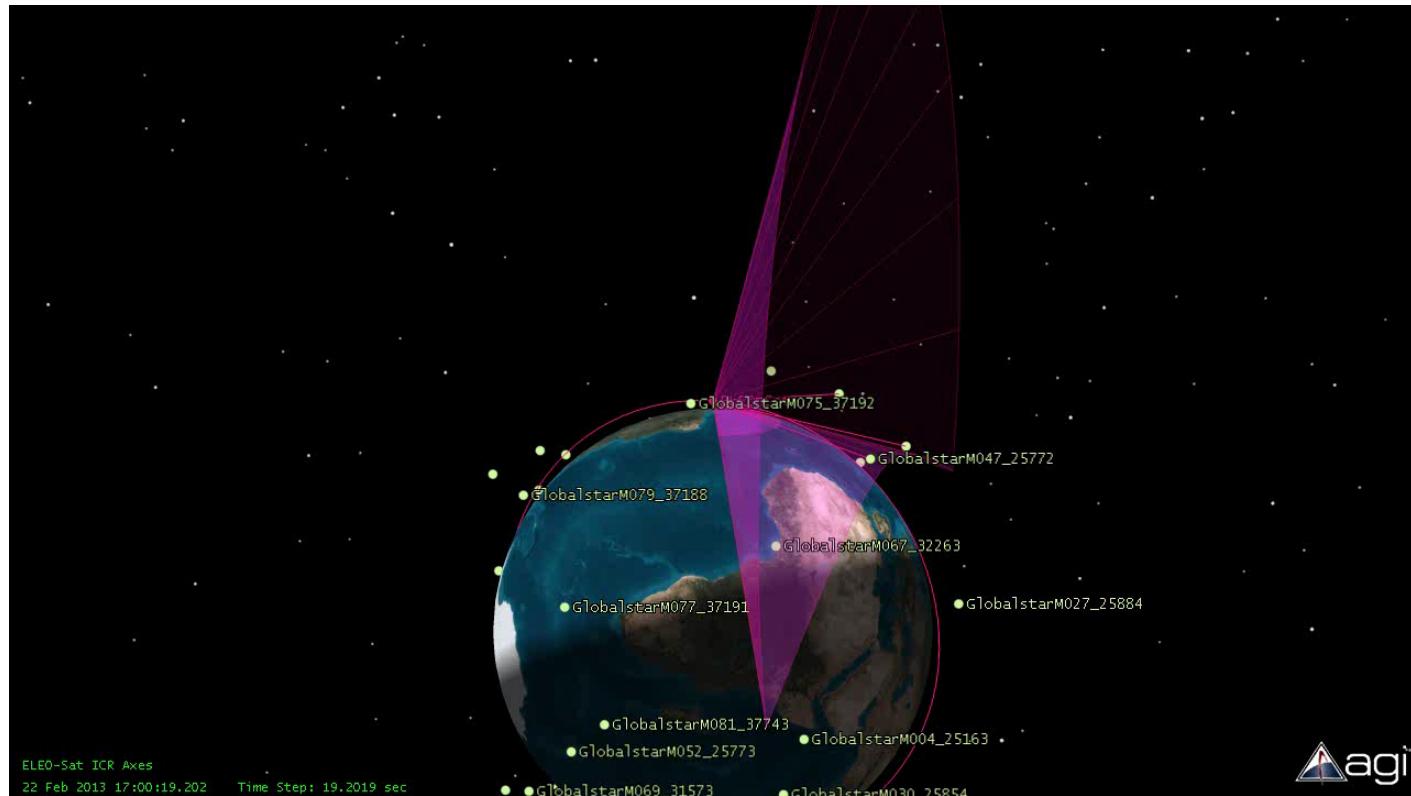


TSAT is a 2U Cubesat launched
April 18 on Space X to 325 km
orbit

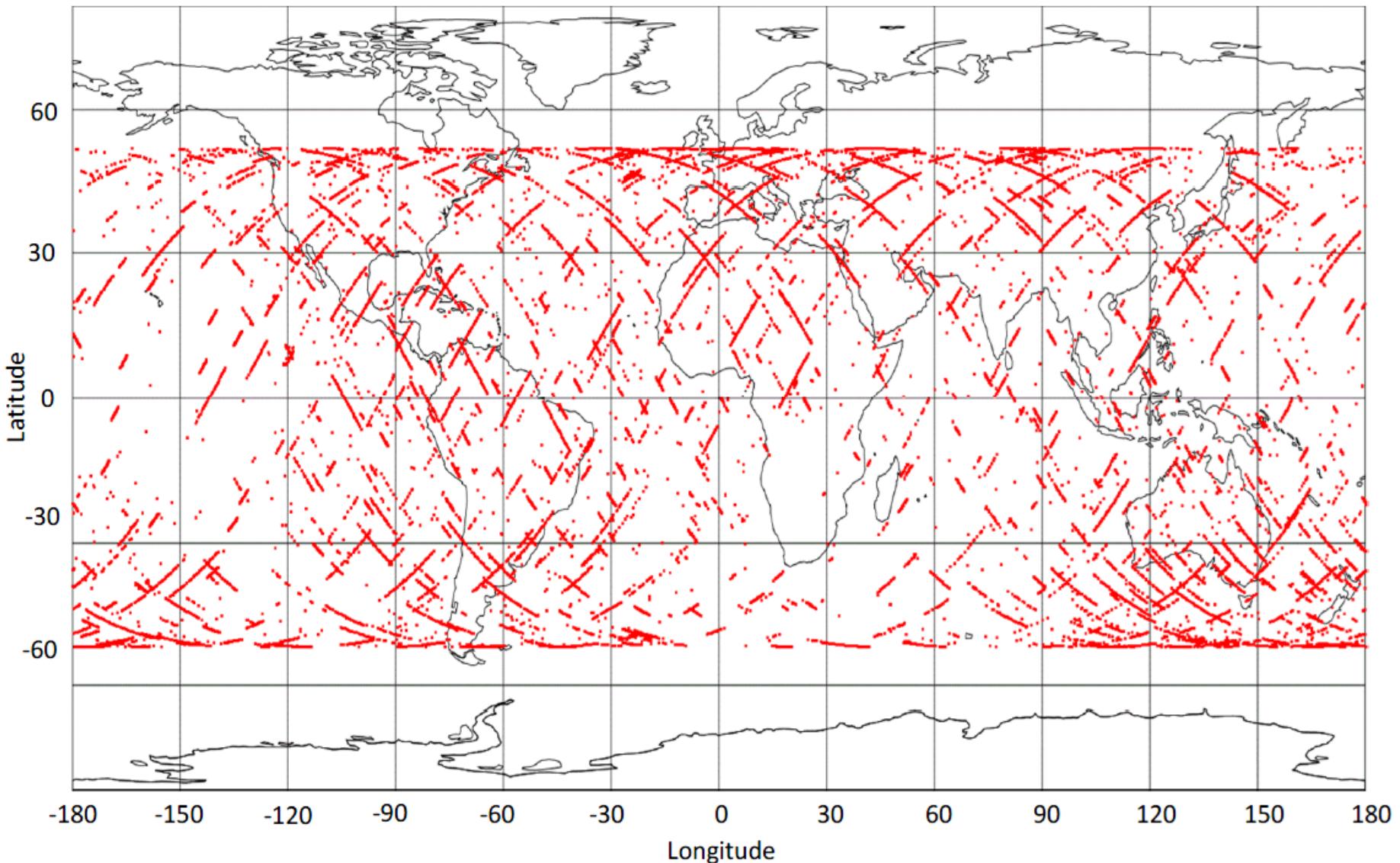
Globalstar with EyeStar Radio Simulations

(“*Bent Pipe*” distributed data downlink)

- \$2B satellite constellation at 1414km (terrestrial use)
- Commercial Research Grade link and FCC license
- Low latency near real time global data and command
- 1.61625 GHz Simplex TSAT transmitter/patch (170 deg.FOV)
- 1.6 GHz & 2.4 GHz band Duplex CDMA transmit/receive patch
- No need for conventional client Ground Station cost &time



TSAT Data Packet Distribution for 11696 Received Data Packets



Beacon Cycle: 32 beacons (Five second interval), 15 minute off dwell

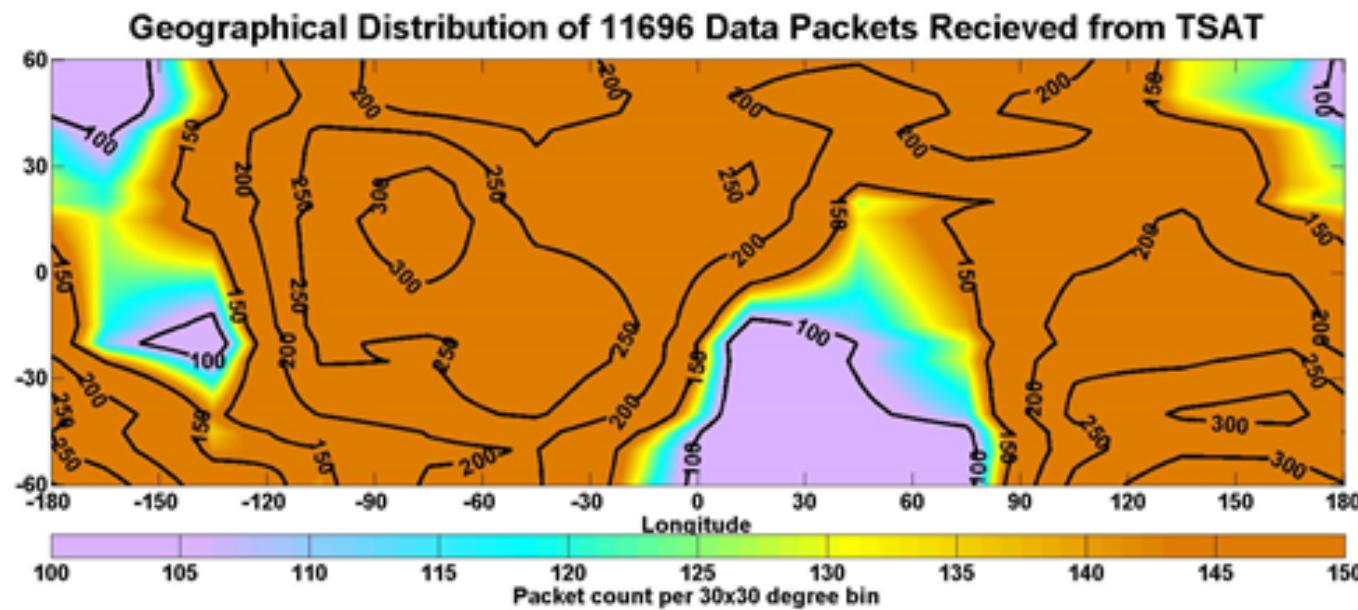
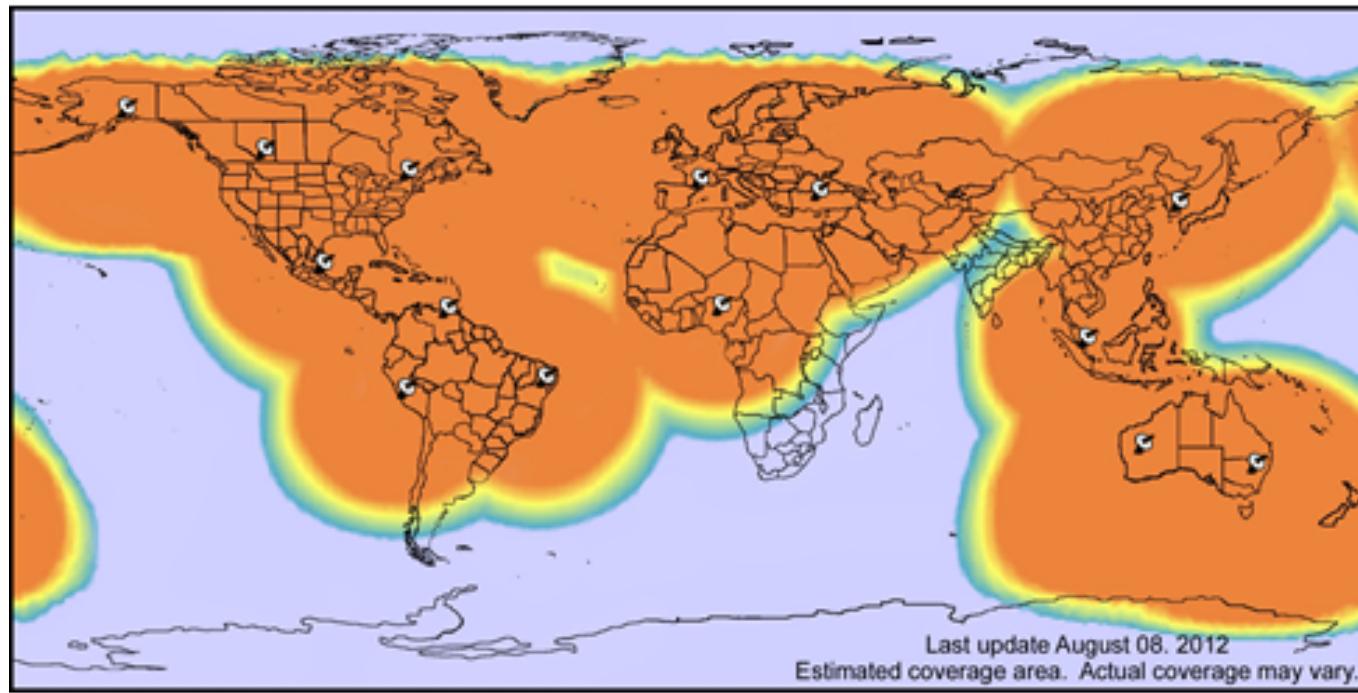
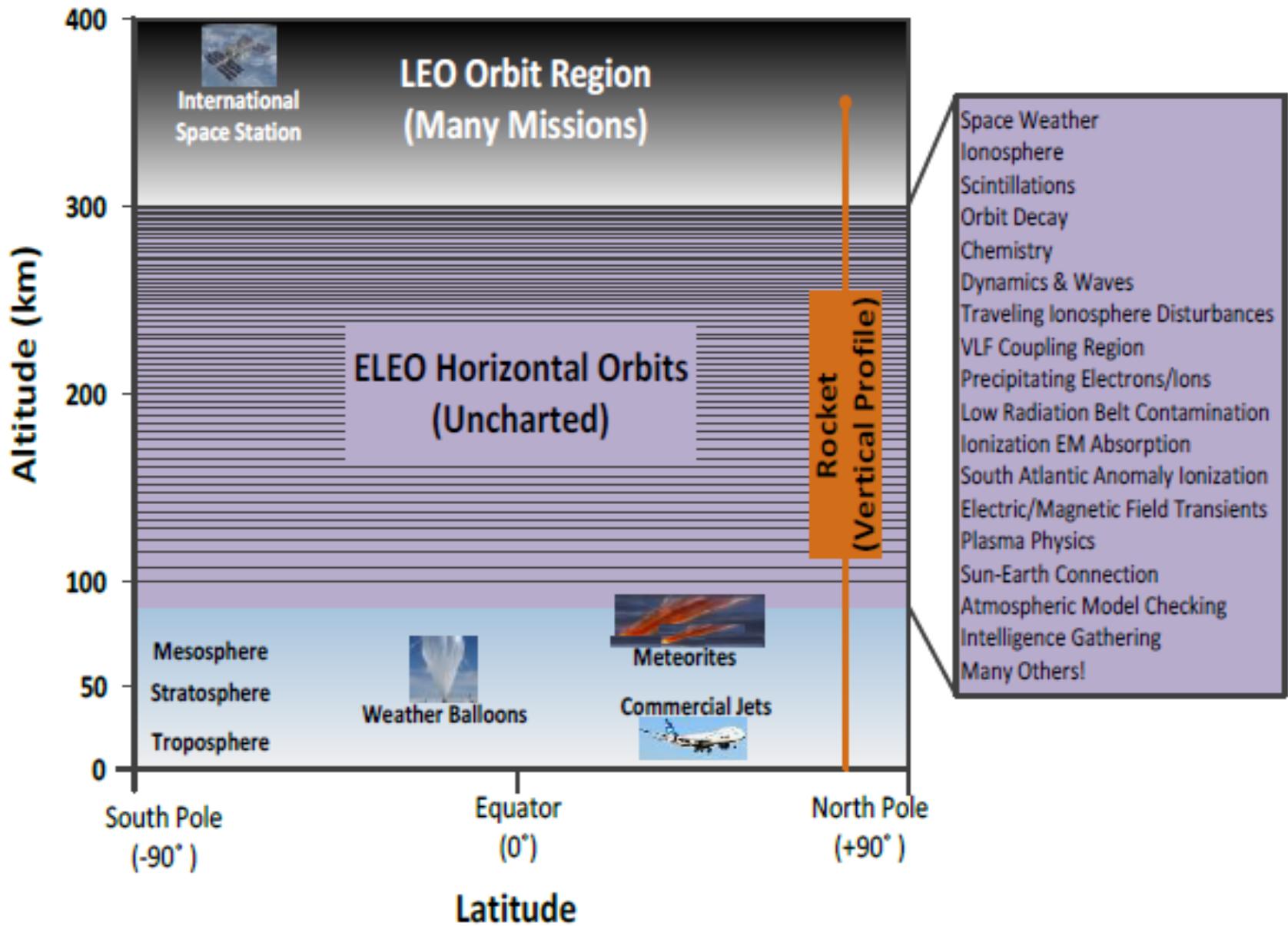


Figure 7: Comparison of Globalstar projected coverage and normalized TSAT results

Globalstar Link Features

- Cubesat-to-Globalstar link demonstrated by TSAT, 2014
- Downlink cubesat data anywhere at any time
- TSAT first data IP 11s after turn-on over South Pacific
- Command Cubesat anywhere at anytime
- Frequency selection to avoid Radio Astronomy EMI
- Unified Cubesat Constellation Database
- NSL Single Point of Contact for Globalstar (NSL is Value Added Reseller, VAR, for Spaceflight and High Altitude Balloons, cost \$1000 EU to \$10,000 Flight)
- All satellite success with beacon/GPS on G* beacon

ELEO Exploration



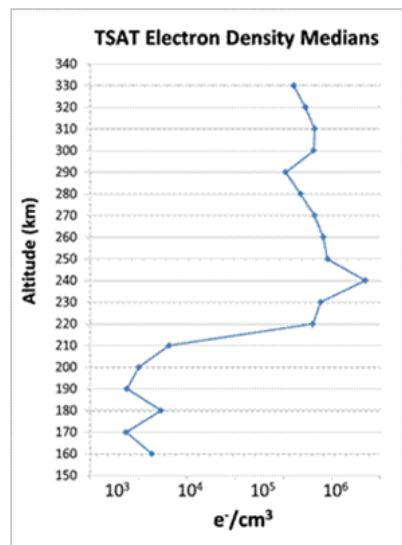
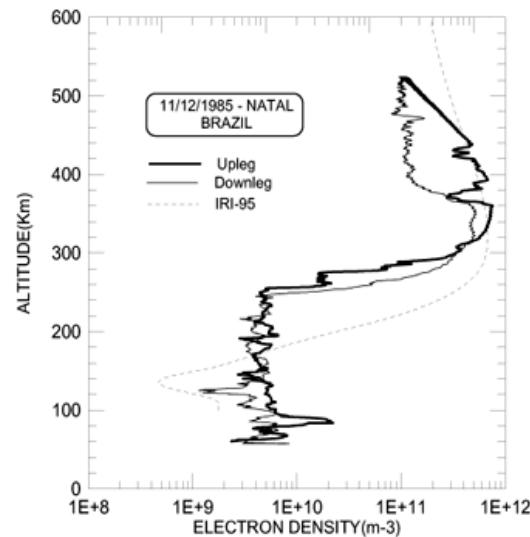
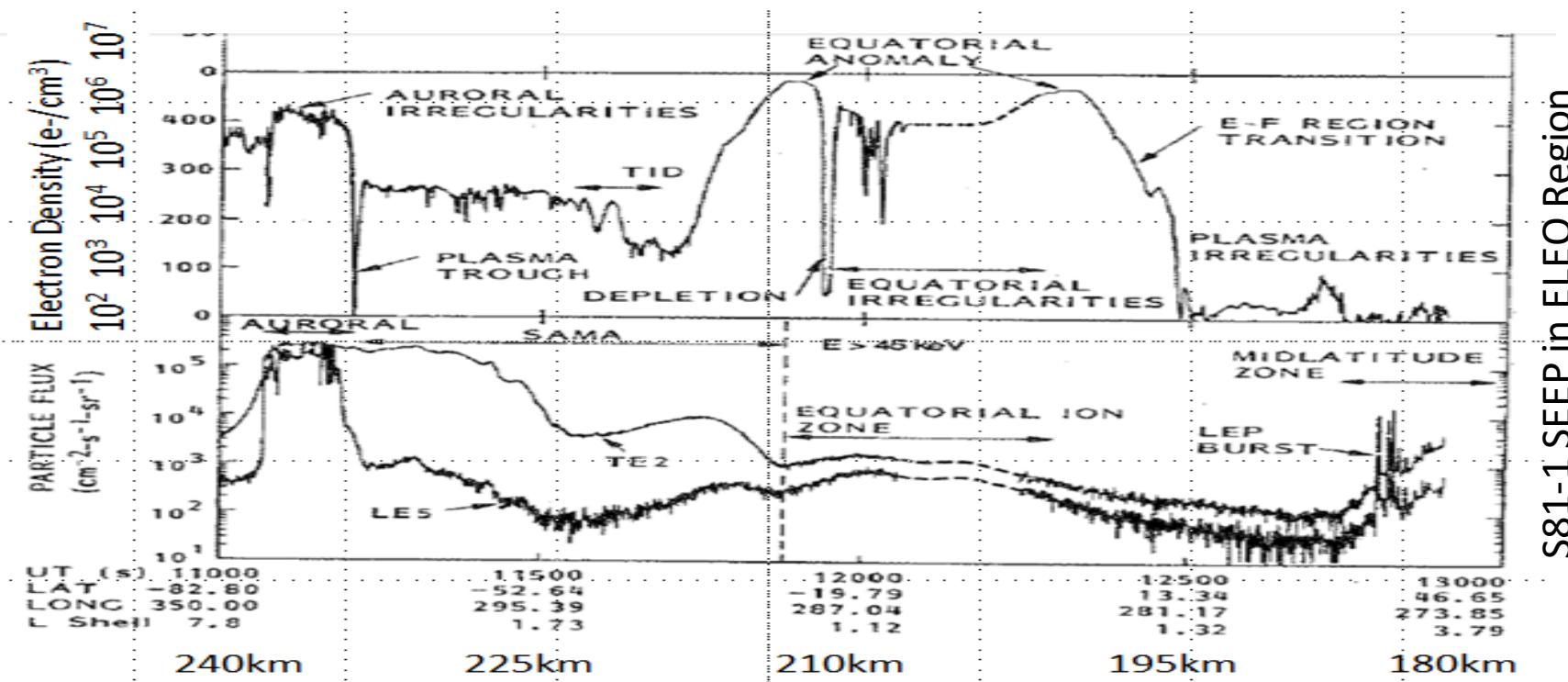


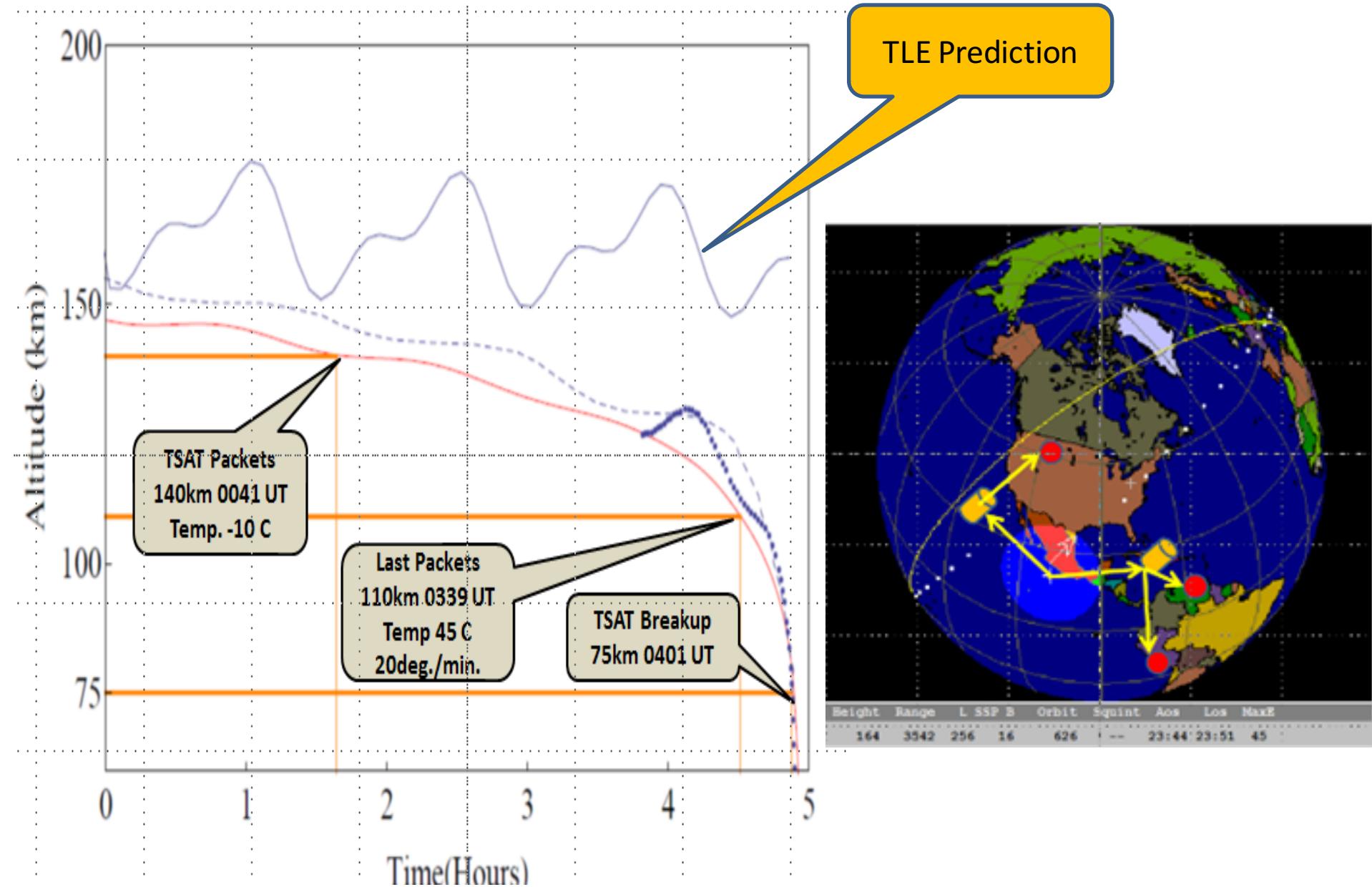
Figure 19: Mission medians of electron density for various orbit altitudes (10km bins). The



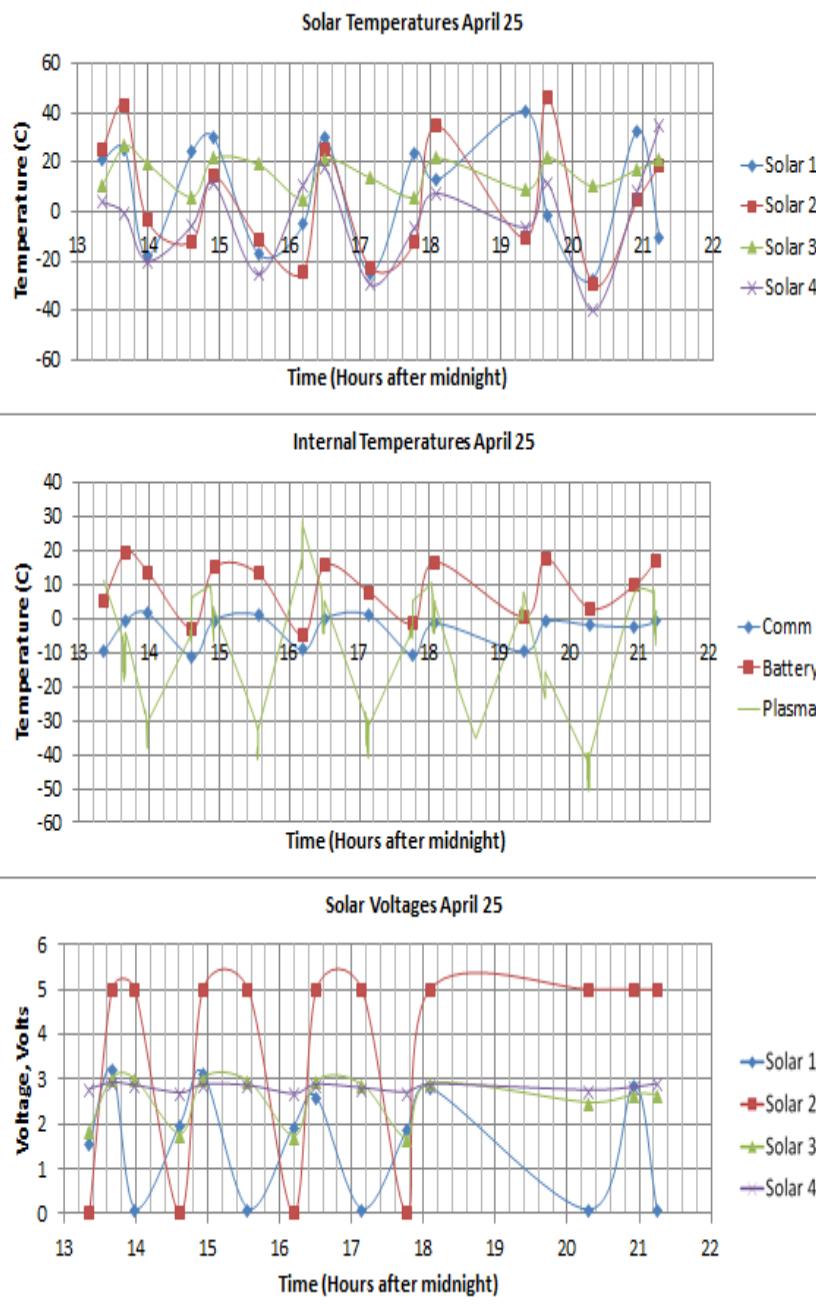
Rocket: Muralikrishna and Abdu, Adv. Space Sci. 2006



TSAT Reentry and Predictions



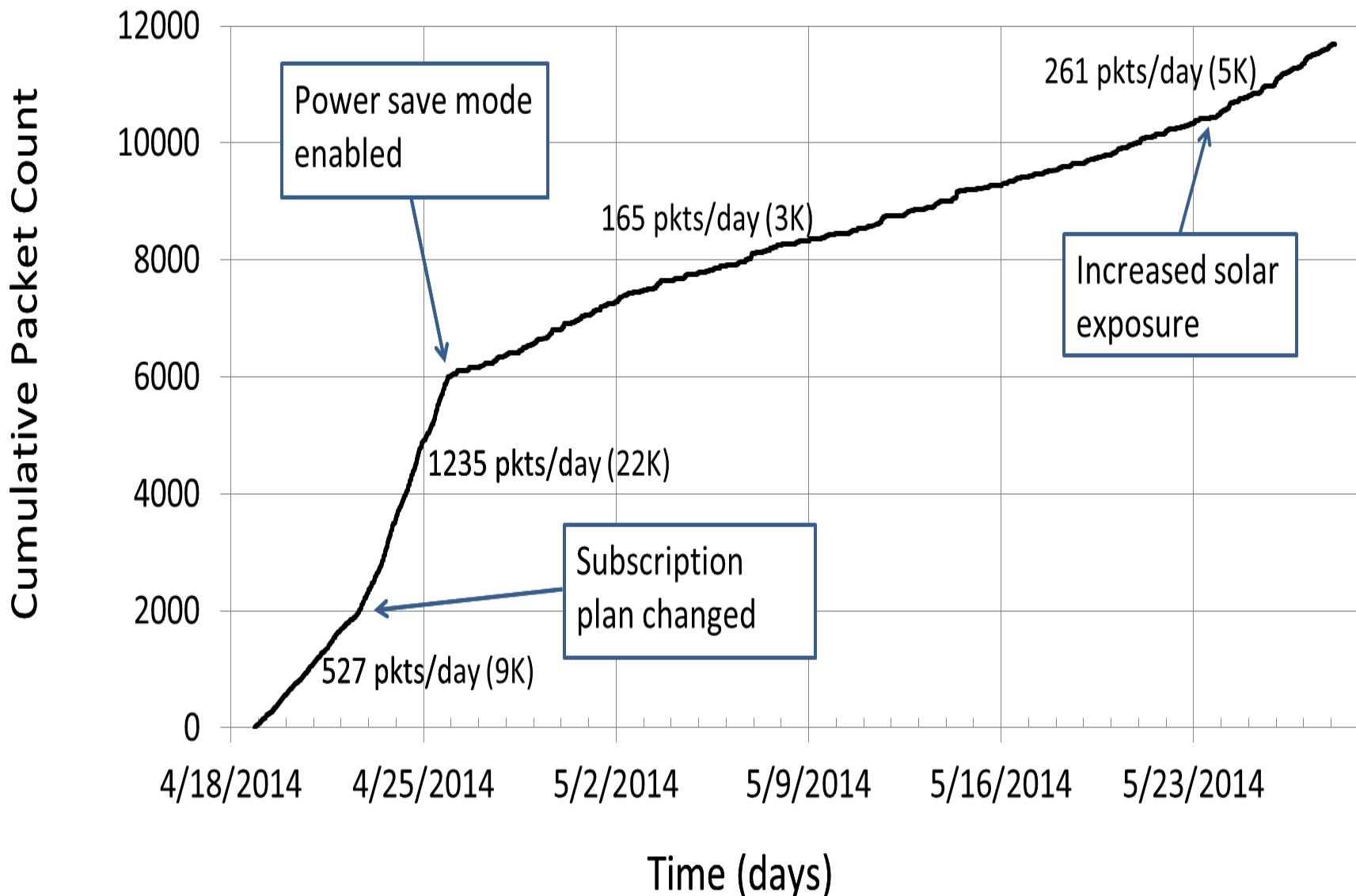
- Satellite Solar Illumination,
- Internal and External Temperatures,
- 3-axis Magnetometer



No Dead Zones
No Lost Data

TSAT Data Packet Rate

**Data Cost: \$3000
for 40 Days**



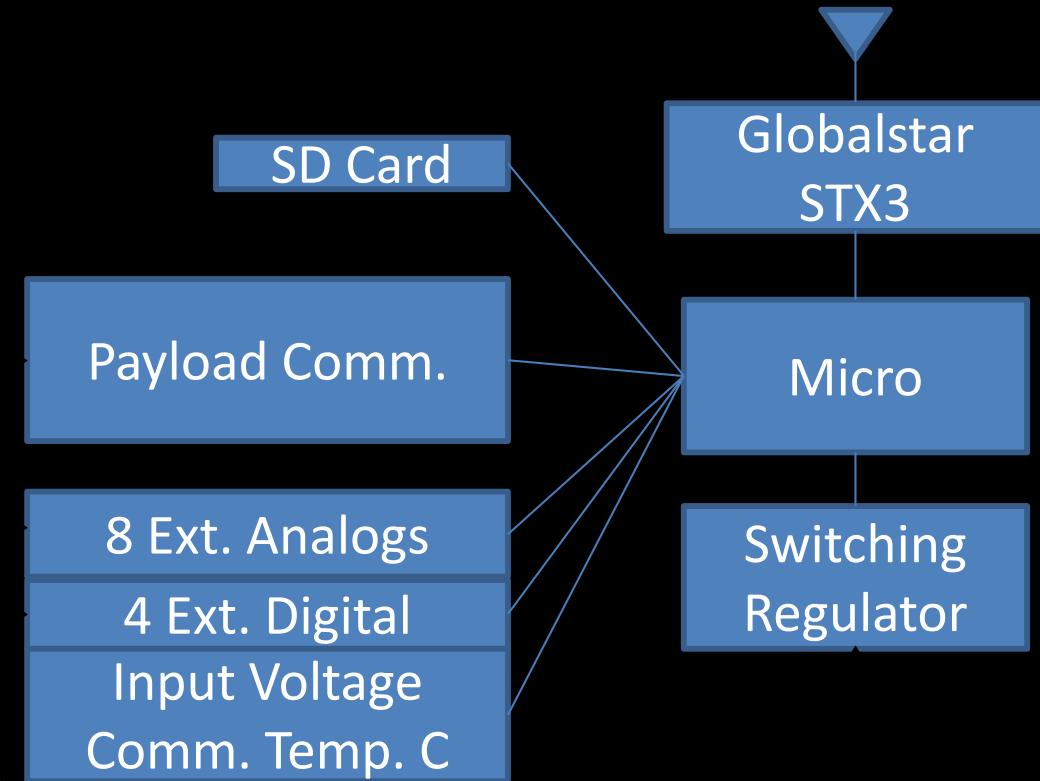
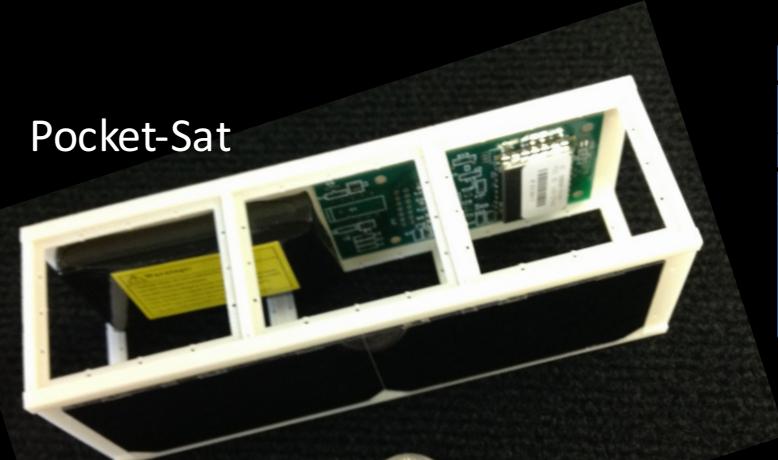
EyeStar Simplex Transmitter Product

8x2x0.6 cm, 200mW ERP, 38 Byte/s

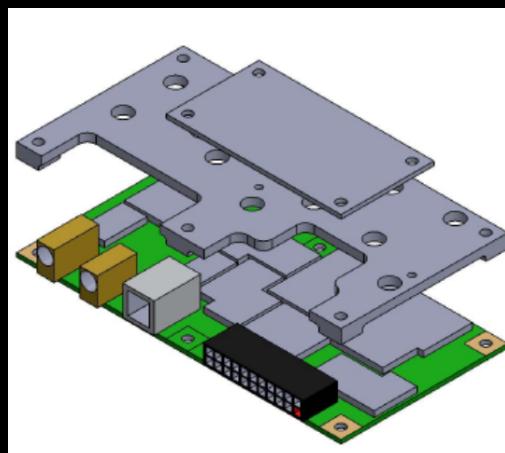
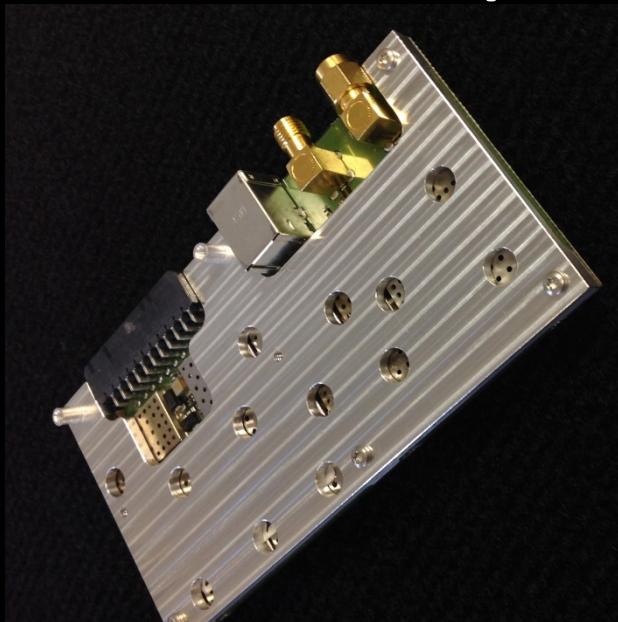


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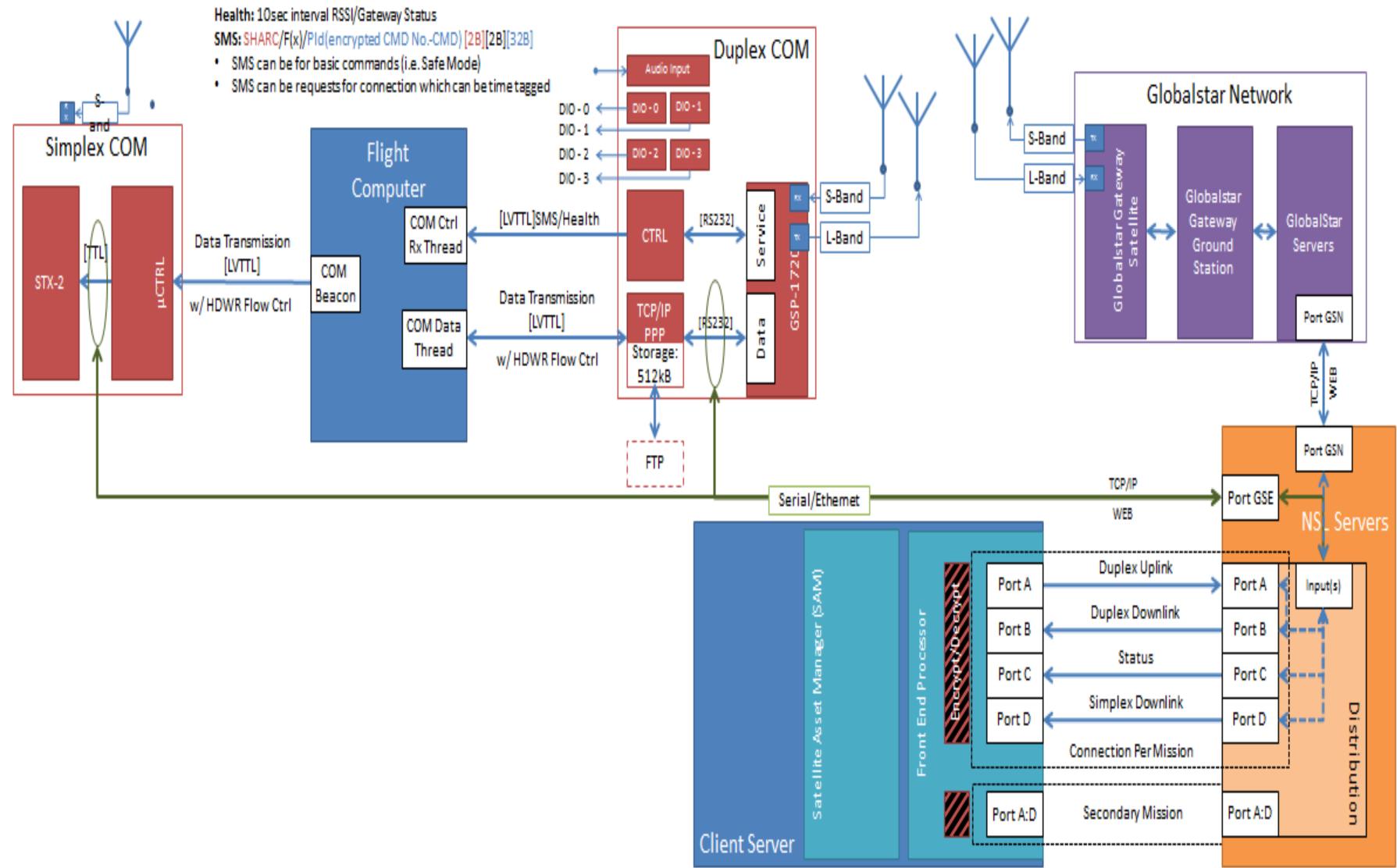


SAT Duplex Transceiver Product

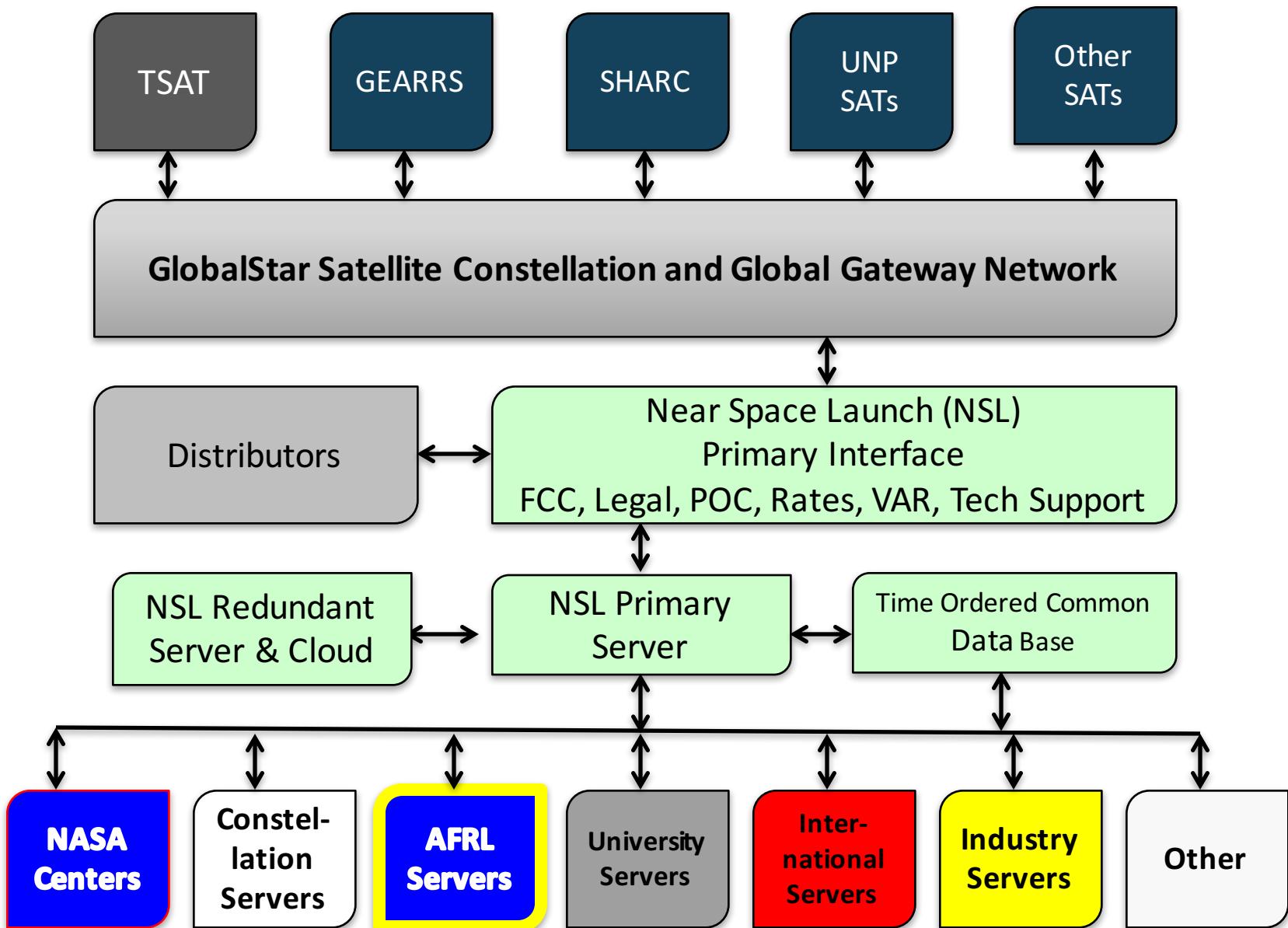


- Up to 7000 baud data rate
- Data and Command Control
- TCP-IP software
- Handshaking protocol
- Active patch antenna (6 cm)
- ARM Processor
- 1 Watt ERP
- 3.3 & 5 V, 5W input power
- Size 6.1 X 11.9 X 11.9 cm
- CAD, ICD, Support, License

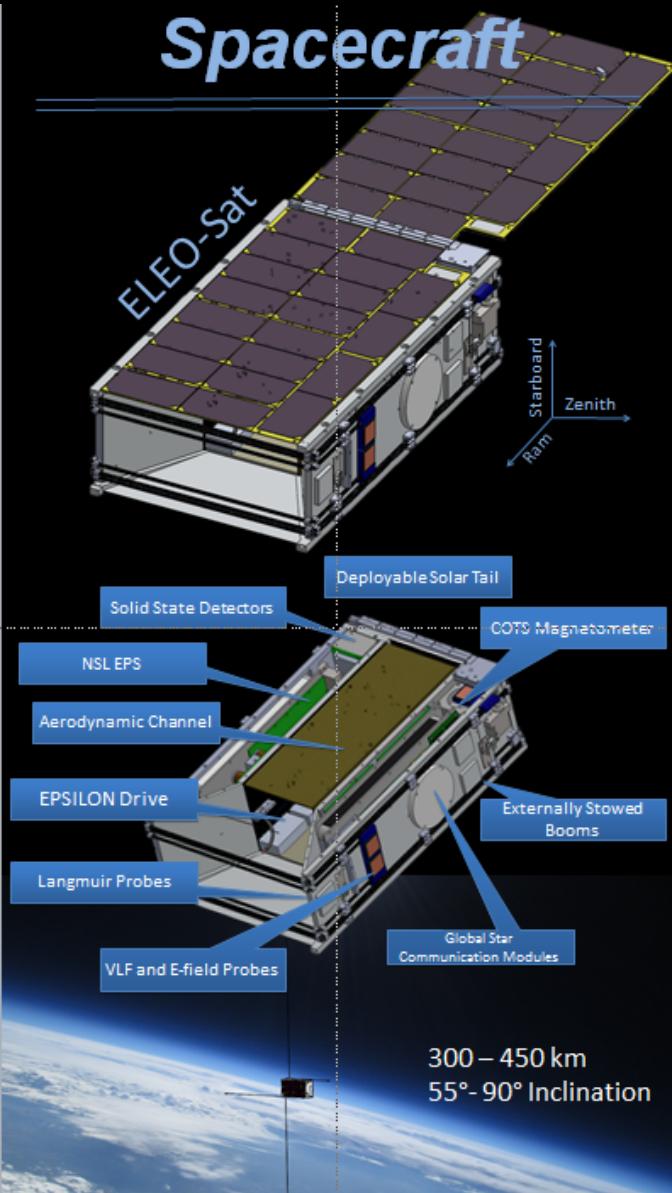
SAT-NSL-Globalstar-NSL-Client Data Flow



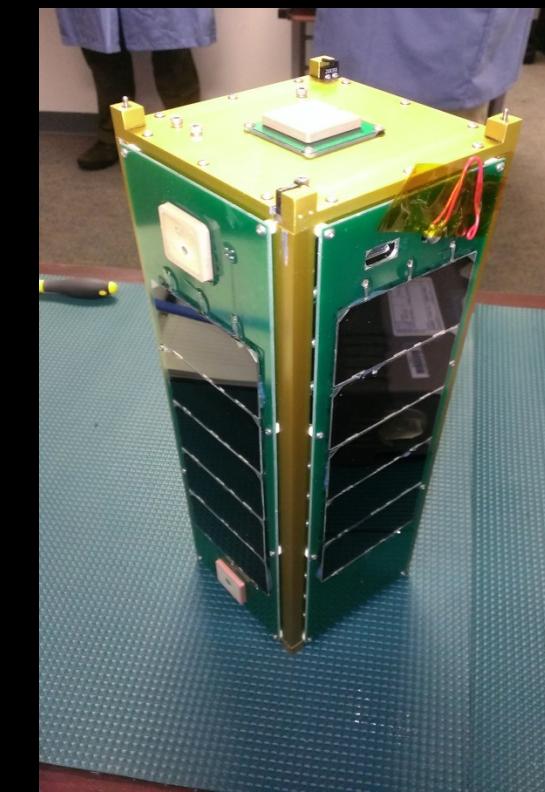
Satellite-Globalstar-Server Data Network



Spacecraft



6U AF ELEO SAT, UNP-8
Globalstar, Plasma, Particles,
Waves, 4 booms, Other

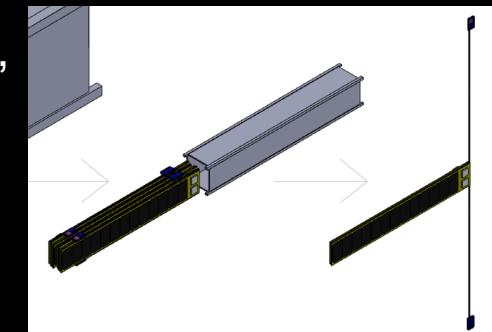


3U AF GEARR SAT, 2014
Globalstar, Plasma, Other



2U TSAT-ElaNa-5, 2014
Globalstar, Plasma, Reentry

3-6 U Aerodynamic THIN SATs,
Globalstar, Plasma, Particles,
Waves, 2 booms, Other



NSL Space Flight Upgrades of Globalstar Modems

- FCC Cubesat-to-Satellite commercial license
- Firmware modem changes for spaceflight
- Processor board and software for data interface
- TCP-IP processor software to modem
- Thermal, vacuum, and EMI modem shield
- Radio astronomy frequency avoidance
- GSE bypass of Globalstar network for testing
- Burn-in and Testing, Conformal Coating
- Globalstar VAR POC for modifications
- Certified for Spaceflight

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Questions

- NSL Booth: #117 with Hardware, ICDs, CAD
- See TSAT Paper SSC14-WK-6 Proceedings
- Contact: Hank Voss or Jeff Dailey
 - NSL: Nearspace Launch Inc.
www.nearspacelaunch.com