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Globalstar Link: From Reentry Altitude and Beyond

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Authors from NSL, Taylor University, and Globalstar

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ABSTRACT
This paper reports some of the initial results from the Taylor University Technology and Test Satellite (TSAT), a CubeSat mission designed to demonstrate the viability of extremely low Earth orbit (ELEO) for satellite communications. The satellite was launched on August 18, 2014, and is currently in orbit at an altitude of approximately 100 km. The mission objectives include demonstrating the viability of ELEO for satellite communications, conducting in-situ measurements of the ionosphere, and providing a platform for future CubeSat missions. The satellite is equipped with a Globalstar ENaNa transmitter and receiver, a GPS receiver, and a radio frequency (RF) system. The mission is expected to last for several months, during which time the satellite will provide a range of services to the ground station. The results of the mission will be used to inform the design of future CubeSat missions and to demonstrate the viability of ELEO for satellite communications.

ABSTRACT
Three CubeSat flights in the past two years have successfully mapped Globalstar performance over the altitude range 100 km to 700 km. The Globalstar constellation provides "Anywhere and Anytime" capacity to deliver and is ideal for CubeSat communications, and formation flying missions. Globalstar's capacity to deliver 2500 channels per Globalstar satellite, and formation flying hundreds to thousands of simultaneous communication to satellites. Capacity would then extend from the ground to thousands above the Globalstar LEO constellation. The NSL Globalstar (NSL) mission is designed to provide diagnostic measurements in the Extremely Low-Earth Orbit (ELEO) ionospheric plasma density and (reentry physics), yet it maintained a good real-time link with ground stations in Canada and Venezuela where it is believed to have reentered. The NSL Globalstar flight products now permit new experiments to ELEO orbits in addition to releasing drop radionodes to reentry at 110 km and verified the Globalstar (GEARS) and GEARS2 (G2) mission. The NSL Globalstar flight products now permit new experiments with an Atlas rocket on May 20, 2015 into a 350 by 700 km orbit and the Simplex communication and instrumentation operated well for 9 months. Improved global coverage maps of the Globalstar (GEARS) and GEARS2 (G2) mission. The NSL Globalstar flight products now permit new experiments with a two patch antennas (1.616 GHz) and low-cost energetic particle detector for attitude control, the earth's magnetic field lines. The three SSD detectors mapped the precipitating and trapped particle flux in the aurora zone, the SAMA, the stopping boundary, and the internal penetrating ionization dose. Several new Globalstar flight radars are manifested for launch with three axis stabilization, on star Duplex large file-transfer can be characterized. TSAT and GEARS data indicate a strong side lobe link that may reach to high AEO altitudes

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Eyestar Simplex



Simplex: STX-3 (or STX-2): 200 Kbytes/day, 9 Bytes/sec

Low Power/cost/size , Turn-on data in seconds, 2KB/day, global Anywhere/Anytime data, Tumbling OK, processor validated
5 of 5 Validated in LEO Orbit!
3 week Available NSL Stock

Many Radios Sold to DOD,
NASA, Industry, & Universities

Mission Success, No Ground station required

Eyestar Duplex



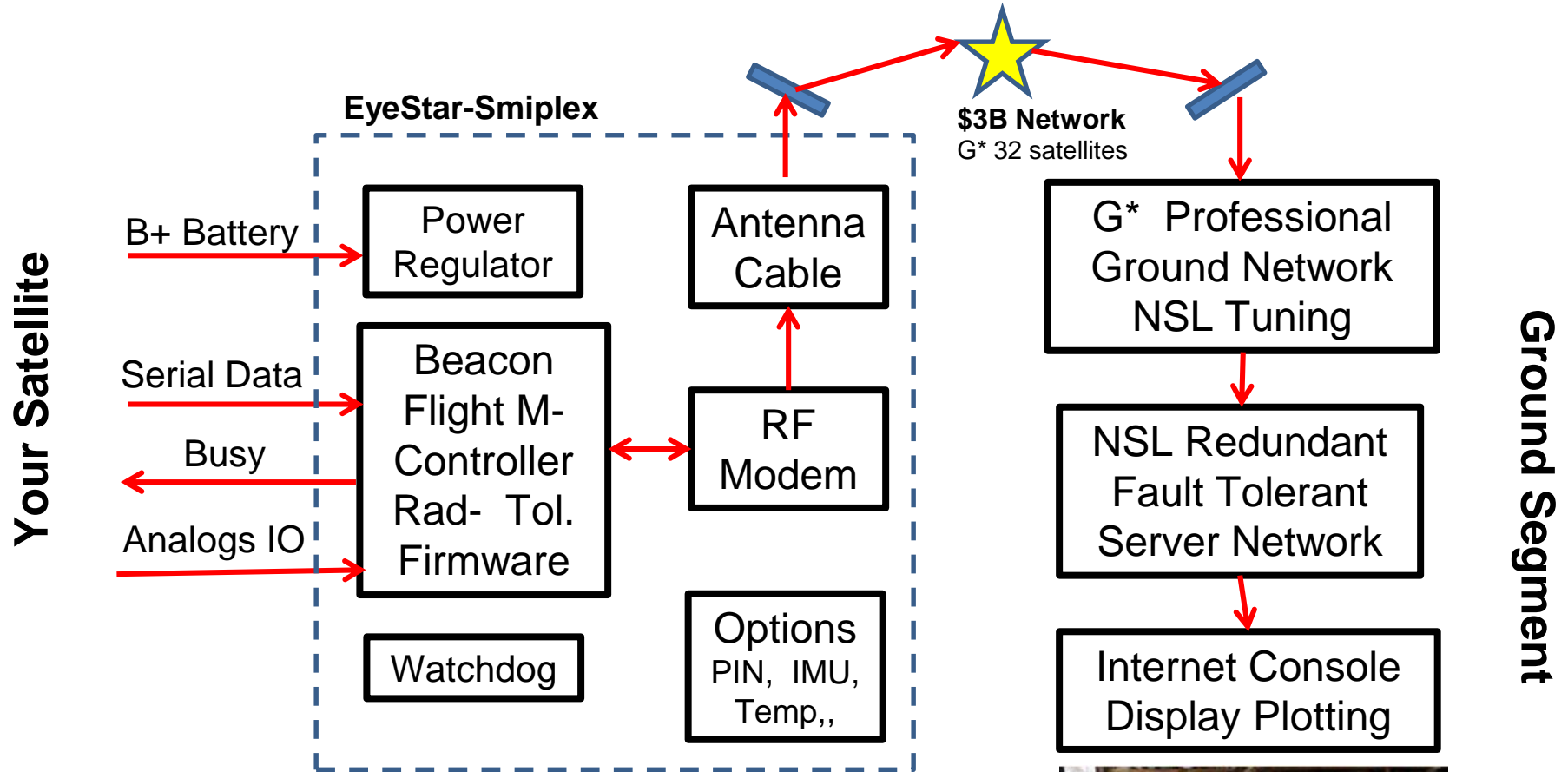
Duplex: 20 Mbytes/day, 700 Bytes/sec

2 way- Commanding, 20 MB/day, 50% Anywhere/Anytime data, pointing, ARM processor, Geolocation, Handshaking,
2 of 2 Validated in LEO Orbit!
3 week available NSL Stock



NSI Simplex Products (STX-3 and STX-2)

Research Grade, Commercial License, TRL=9



PCB, Shielding, Layout, EMI Test, Globalstar/NSL Value Added Reseller (VAR) Product, ICD, Engineering Model (EM), Firmware Options, Quality Assurance, Burn-in, Certification, Flight Model (FM), FCC License, NSL Support

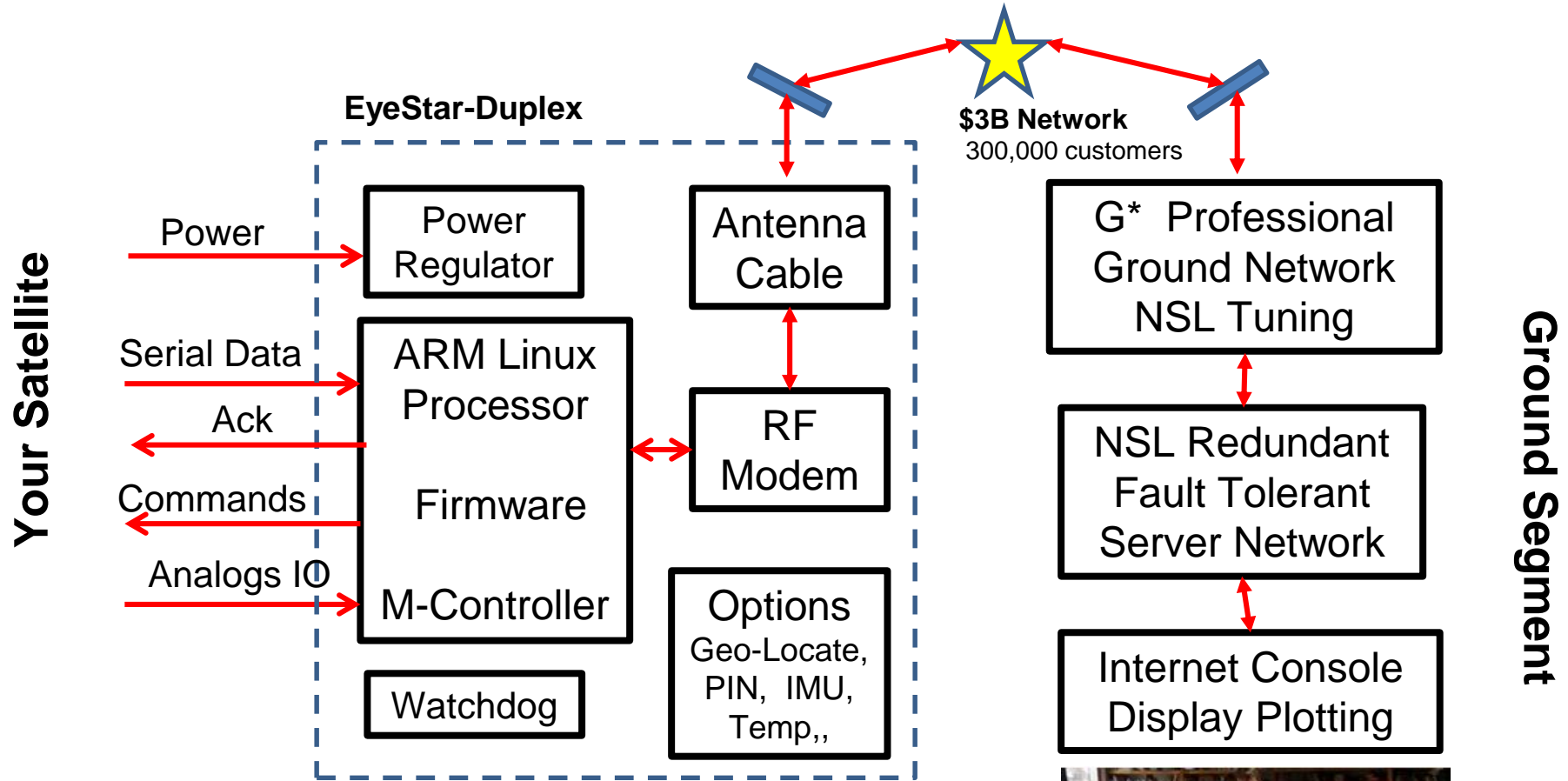
Much More than a Modem!





NSL Duplex Product

Research Grade, Commercial License, TRL=8-9



PCB, EMI Shielding, Layout, EMI Test certification, Globalstar requirements, Firmware flight, ICD, Engineering Model (EM), Quality Assurance, Burn-in, Certification, Rad shielding, Flight Model (FM), FCC License, Encryption, Compression, NSL Support

Much More than a Modem!





NSL EyeStar Development Flights

2014

TSAT 2U

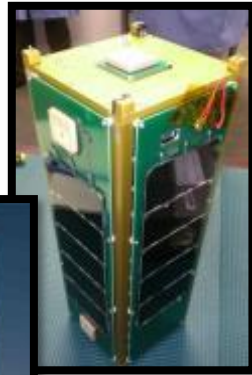


EyeStar Simplex

Space X Launch
ElaNa 5 325 km
40 day life
NSL and Taylor U

2015

GEARRS1 3U



EyeStar 2 Simplex

EyeStar Duplex SMS Commanding

Orbital Launch, ISS
410 km, Bat. Life
DOD STP
Deployment Delay
Partial Mission Success

GEARRS2 3U 2015

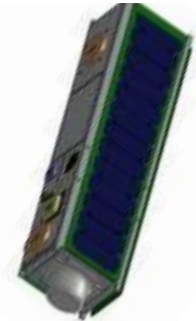


EyeStar Simplex EyeStar Duplex SMS Commanding

Atlas Launch,
350X700 km, 1.5 yr.
DOD STP & NRO

2016

1U & 2U in Polar Orbit SHARC 6U

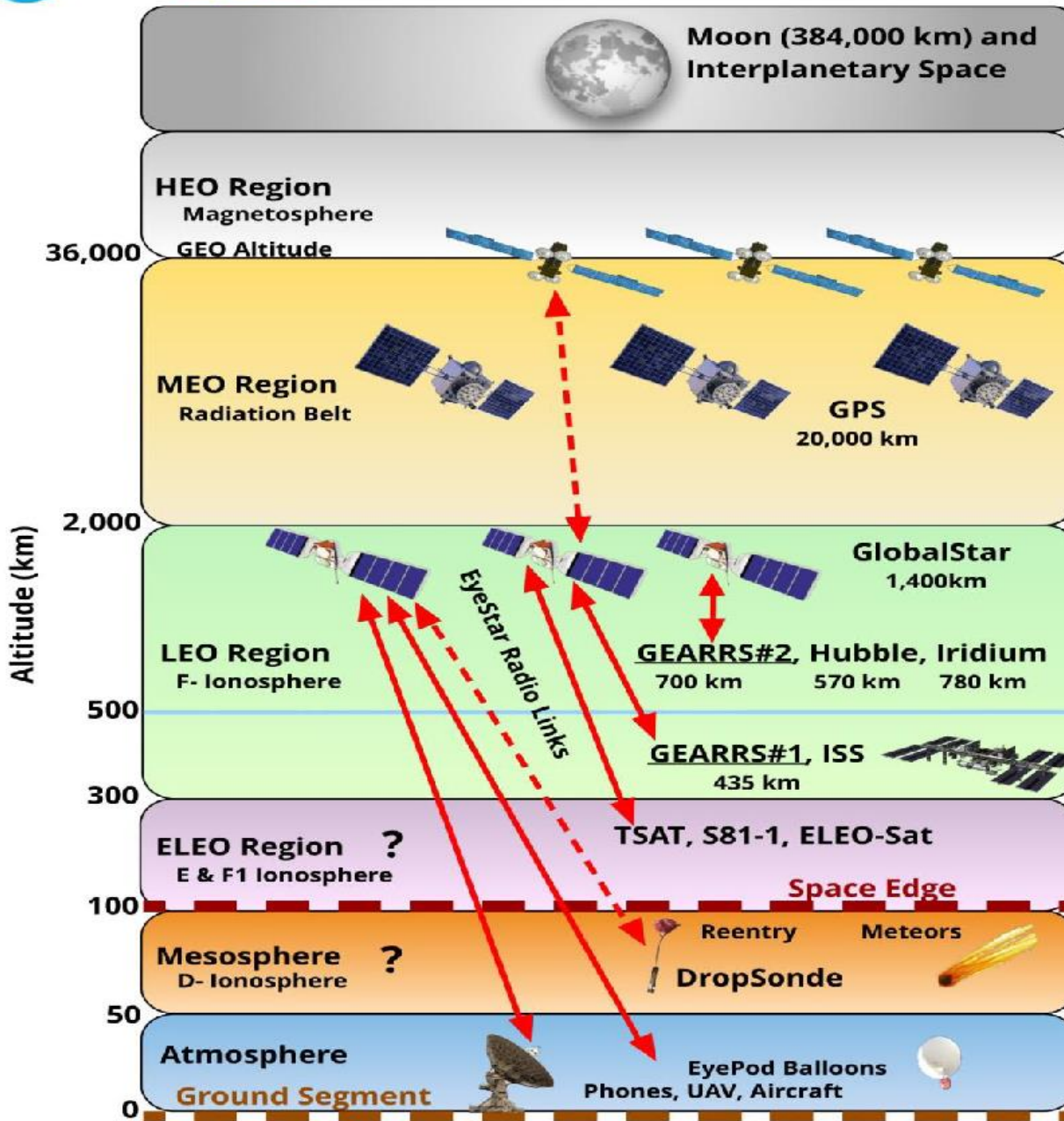


EyeStar Simplex EyeStar Duplex Commanding

3A Stable
ISS Launch, ~420 km
DOD STP

Other EyeStar Units Manifested, L2016+

20+ Universities
NASA, AF, NSF,
Industry, Others,
25 units NSL Inventory

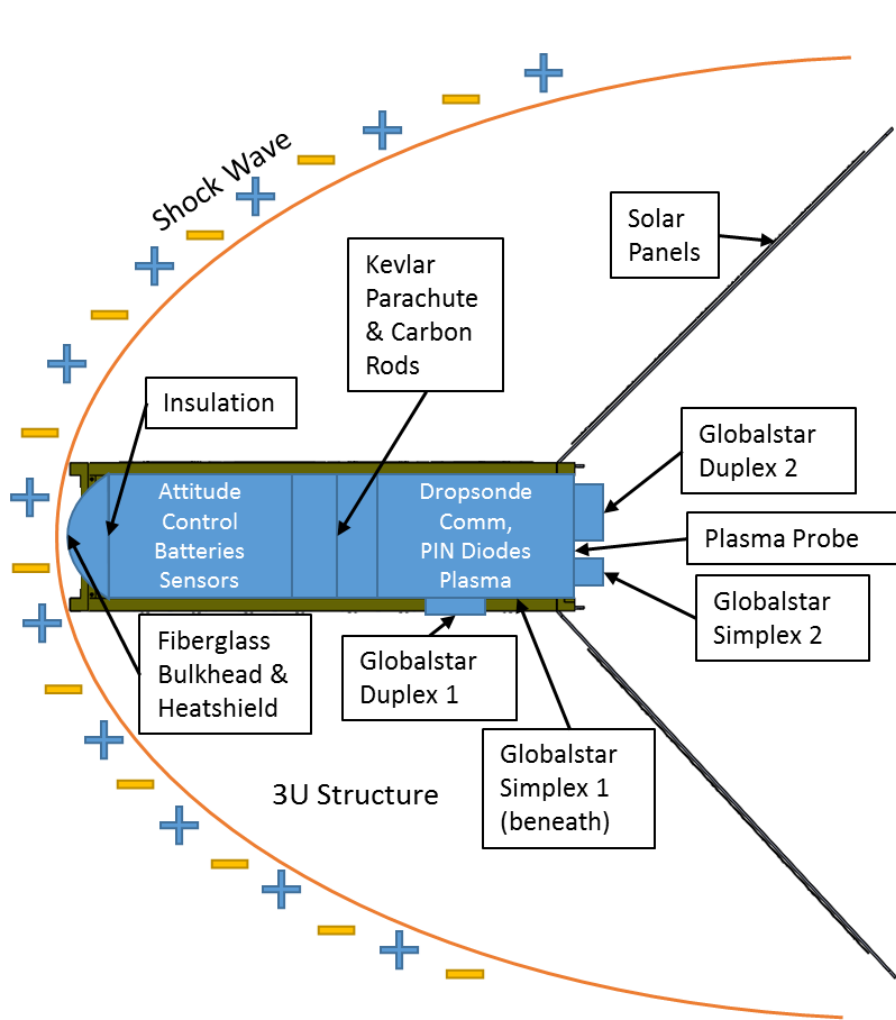


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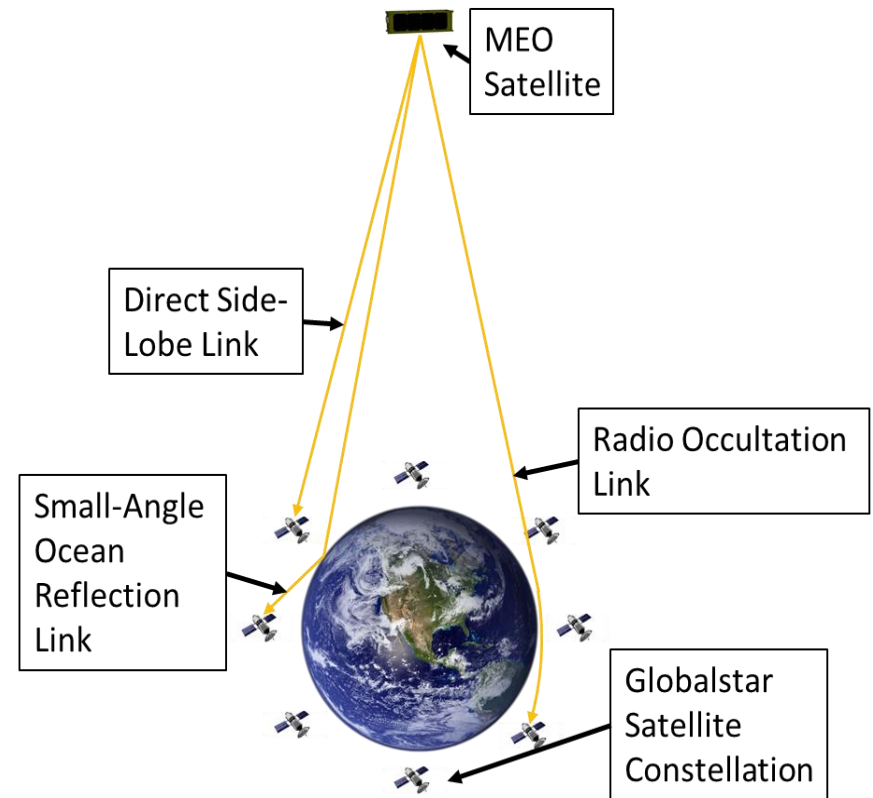
**Globalstar
TSAT,
GEARRS1
GEARRS2
ELEO Region
Reentry
Region
Dropsondes
MEO, GEO**



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Reentry and Dropsonde
TSAT Temp. 20 deg./s, 110km



MEO and GEO Orbits

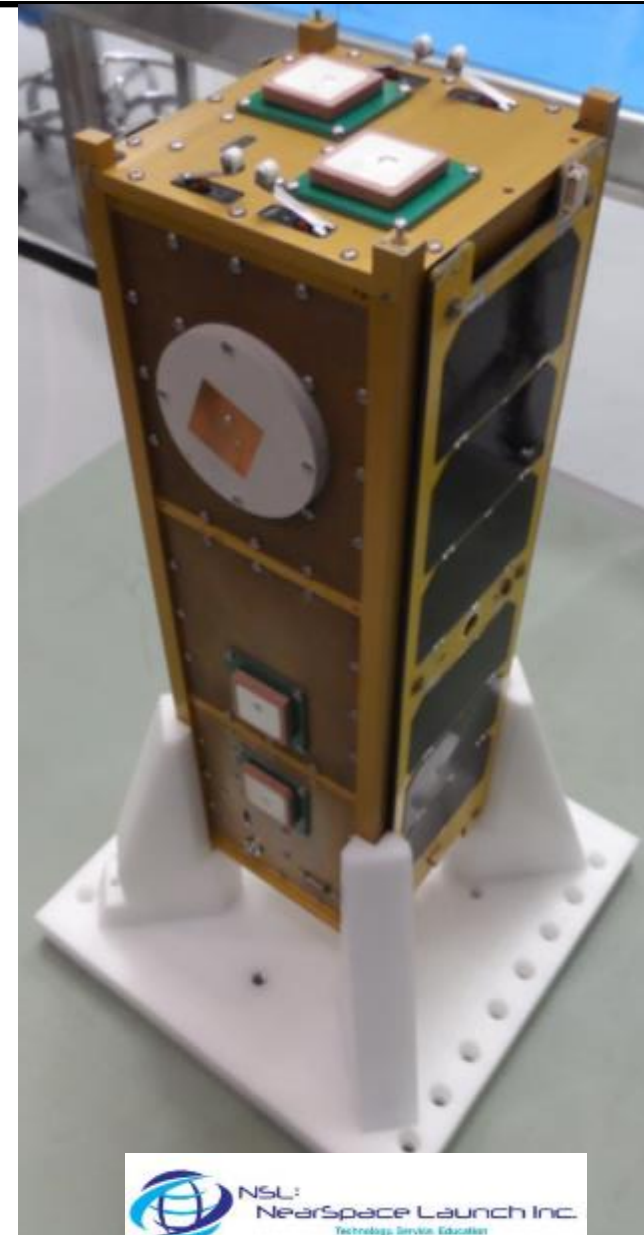
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G* Experiment-GEARRS2



- 45 Day Turn-around by NSL
 - **FastBus Platform:** (Unit body Structure, PC104,EMI enclosure, Thermal short, Work Flow, Asm. Bench, ...G* links, mag., EPS, solar,..)
- GEARRS2 photo showing Simplex and Duplex patch antennas and the plasma probe and inhibits on the end cap.
- GEARRS2 operated for 9 months elliptical orbit. Mission requirement 1 month
- GEARRS2 validated FastBus, duplex coverage maps, costs, commanding rates/latency, file transfer rates and size, Globalstar network tuning & much more.

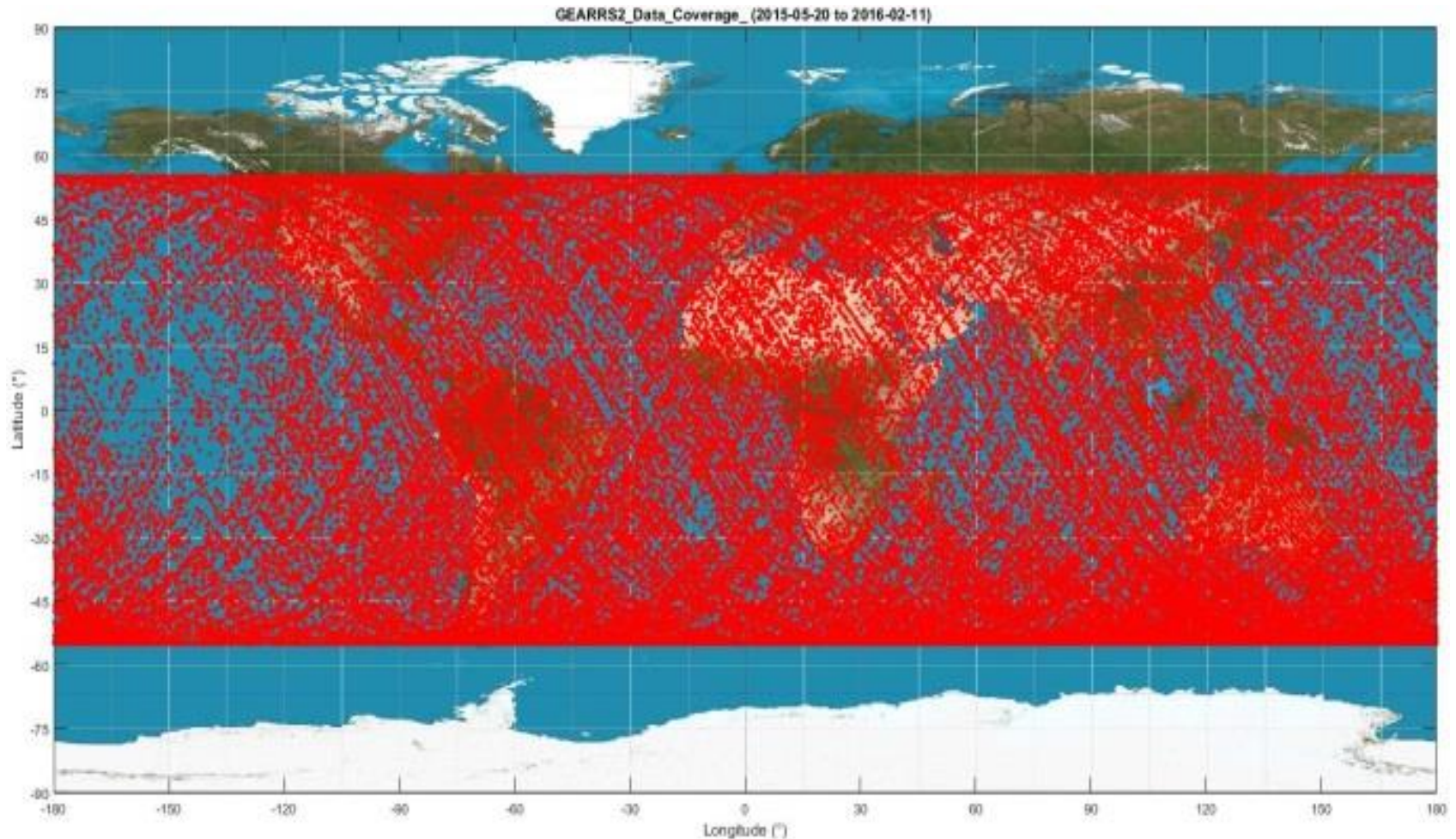




GEARRS2 Globalstar Coverage



Some GEARRS2 Simplex raw data Raw Data Orbits before projection and sampling Normalization

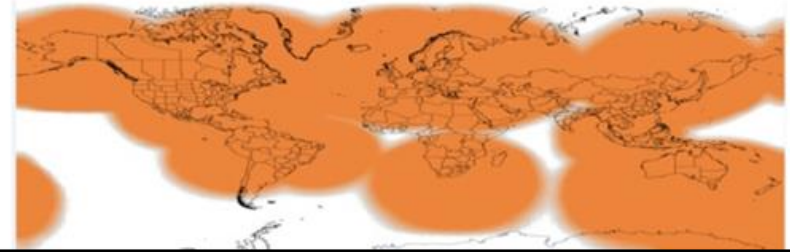




Coverage Maps

Ground Map 2015

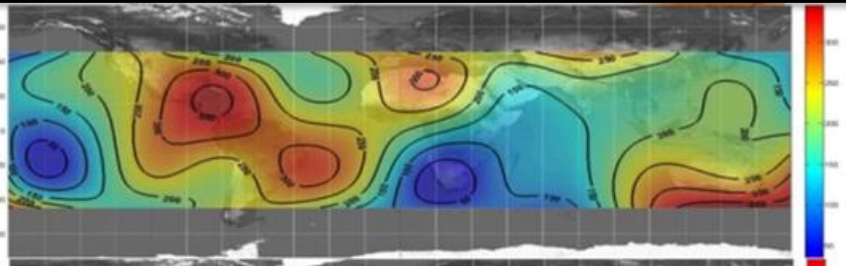
Ground Map 2015



On-Orbit Results

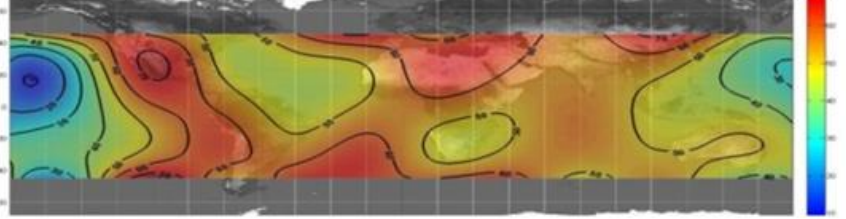
TSAT Simplex 2014

TSAT Map 2014,

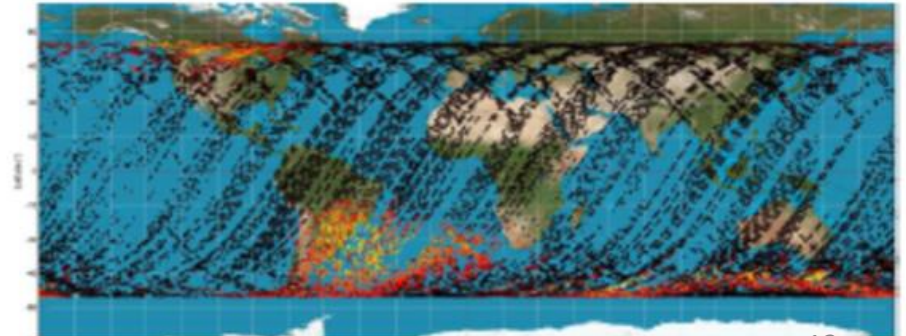


GEARRS 2 Simplex 2015

GEARRS2 2015



GEARRS 2 Particle Data Map



Latency and Jitter about 1-2 sec



EyeStar Duplex Transceiver Product



- Up to 7000 baud data rate
- Data and Command Control
- TCP-IP software with ARM Flight processor
- Handshaking Ack. protocol
- Active patch antenna (6 cm)
- 1 Watt ERP
- 3.3 & 5 V, 5W input power
- Size 27mm X 64mm X 119 mm
- CAD, ICD, Support, FCC License
- Encryption & Data Compression
- Quality Assurance and Rad shielding

SMS Duplex Commanding (Preliminary) with Validation (~300 messages)

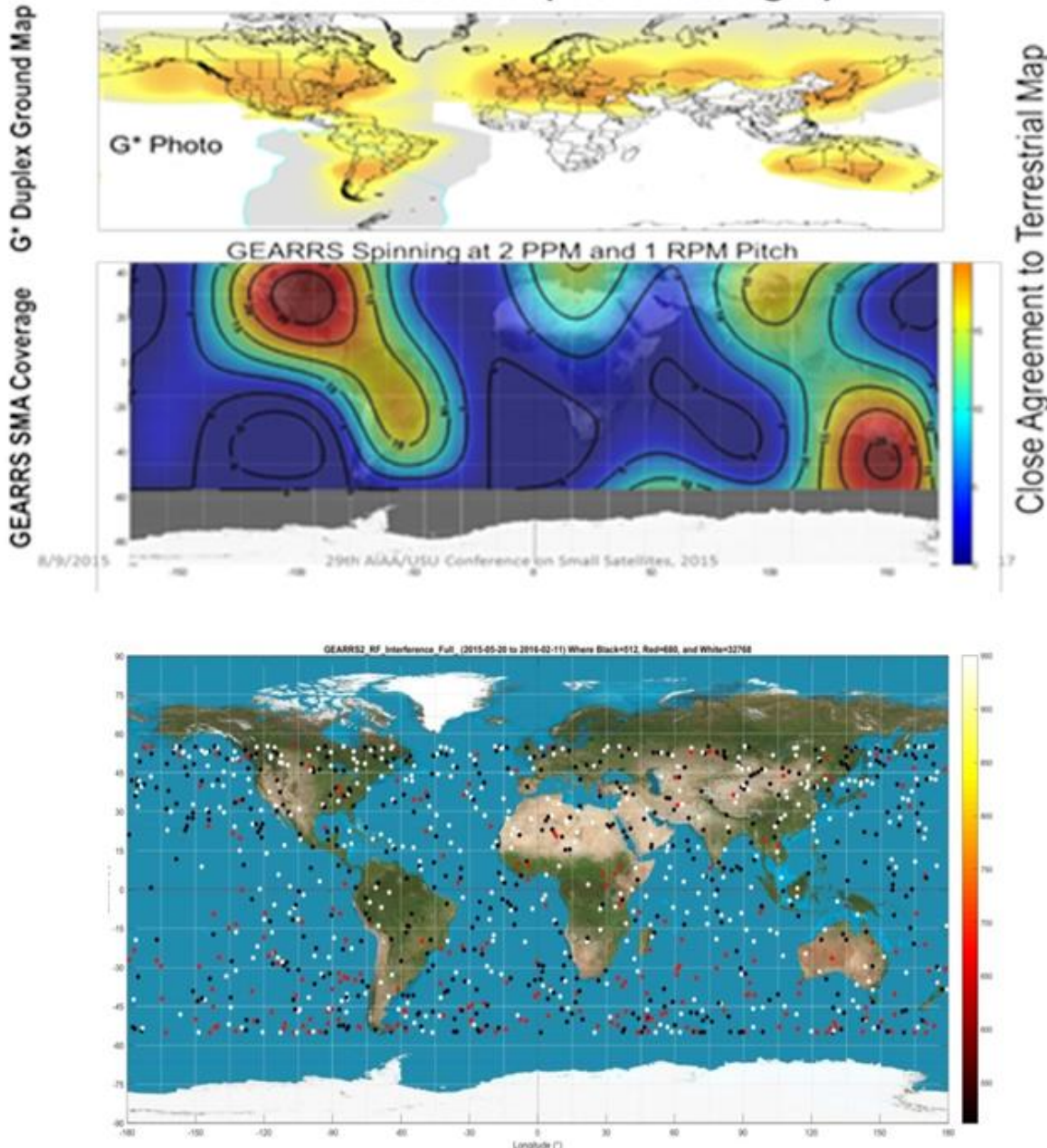


Figure 16-17: Top Panel first shows the Globalstar Duplex ground coverage and the Duplex connects/Signal strength connects for the Duplex unit when the satellite was spinning at 2 RPM and pitching at 1 RPM. (see paper)

The second panel shows the SMS Duplex Commanding.

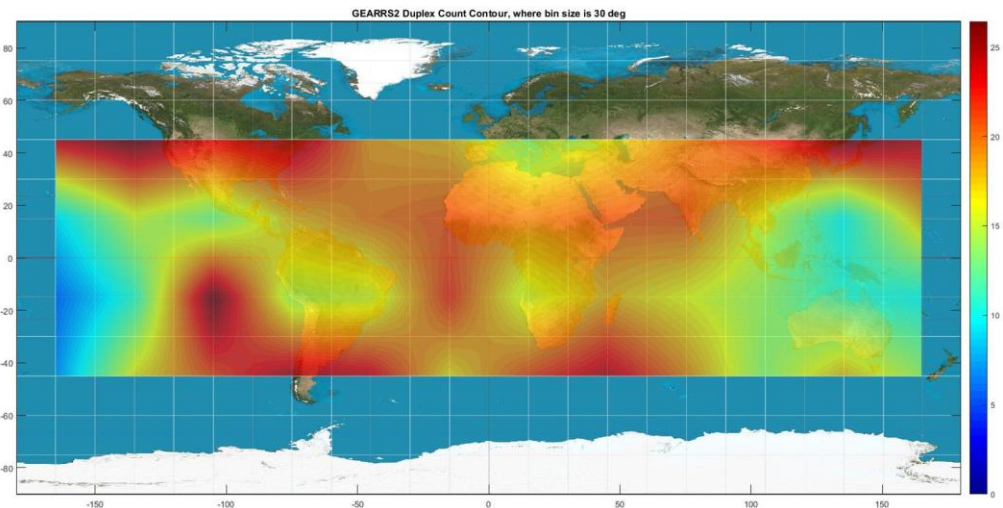
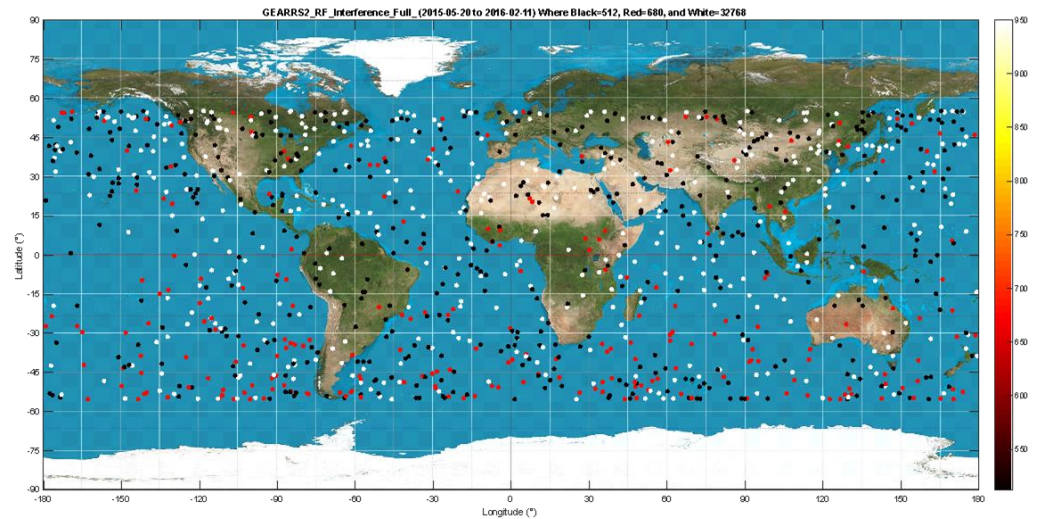
The lower panel shows RF binary files (512-32,720 bytes) transmitted by the Duplex based on a 512 byte registration command received by the Duplex unit from the Globalstar satellite/Gateway. A uniform Duplex coverage map is expected for a non-spinning satellite (with all Ground stations open) .



Duplex Registration: RF Duplex Pulse Files of 512 bytes, 680 bytes, 32,720 bytes recorded on GEARRS2 Particle Detector

Duplex Gateway- Globalstar-Satellite -CubeSat for short (ms) 512 byte registration files.

- Shows good duplex global connectivity,
- Duplex CDMA Protocol timing and handshaking
- Estimate about 50% duplex coverage for existing ground station config.
- Working with Gstar on optimization
- New Sat stabilized flights soon





Ground Simulation

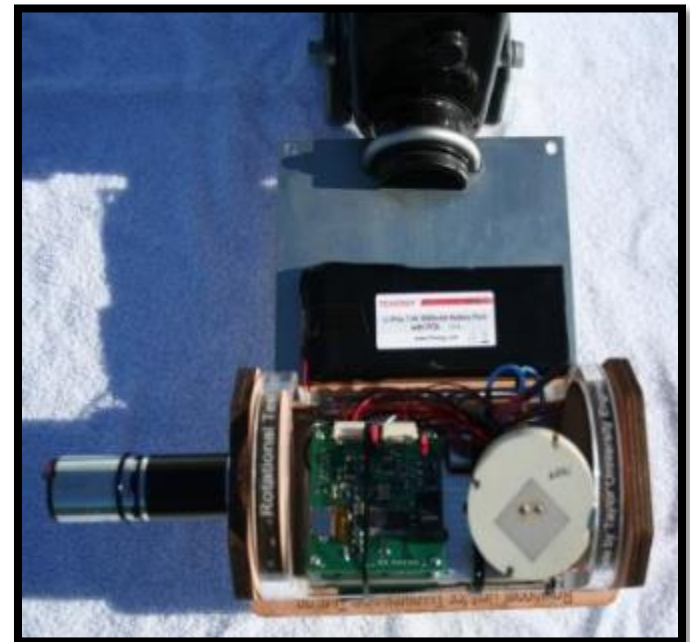


Data throughput is significantly reduced with GEARRS2 spin & Roll motion yet significant file connections are made for Gateway Connects, Duplex Connects, Signal Strength monitor (RSSI), and SMS Commanding.

Because GEARRS2 is spinning at 2 RPM roll and 1 RPM in pitch it does not have time to achieve long connections for large data file transfers.

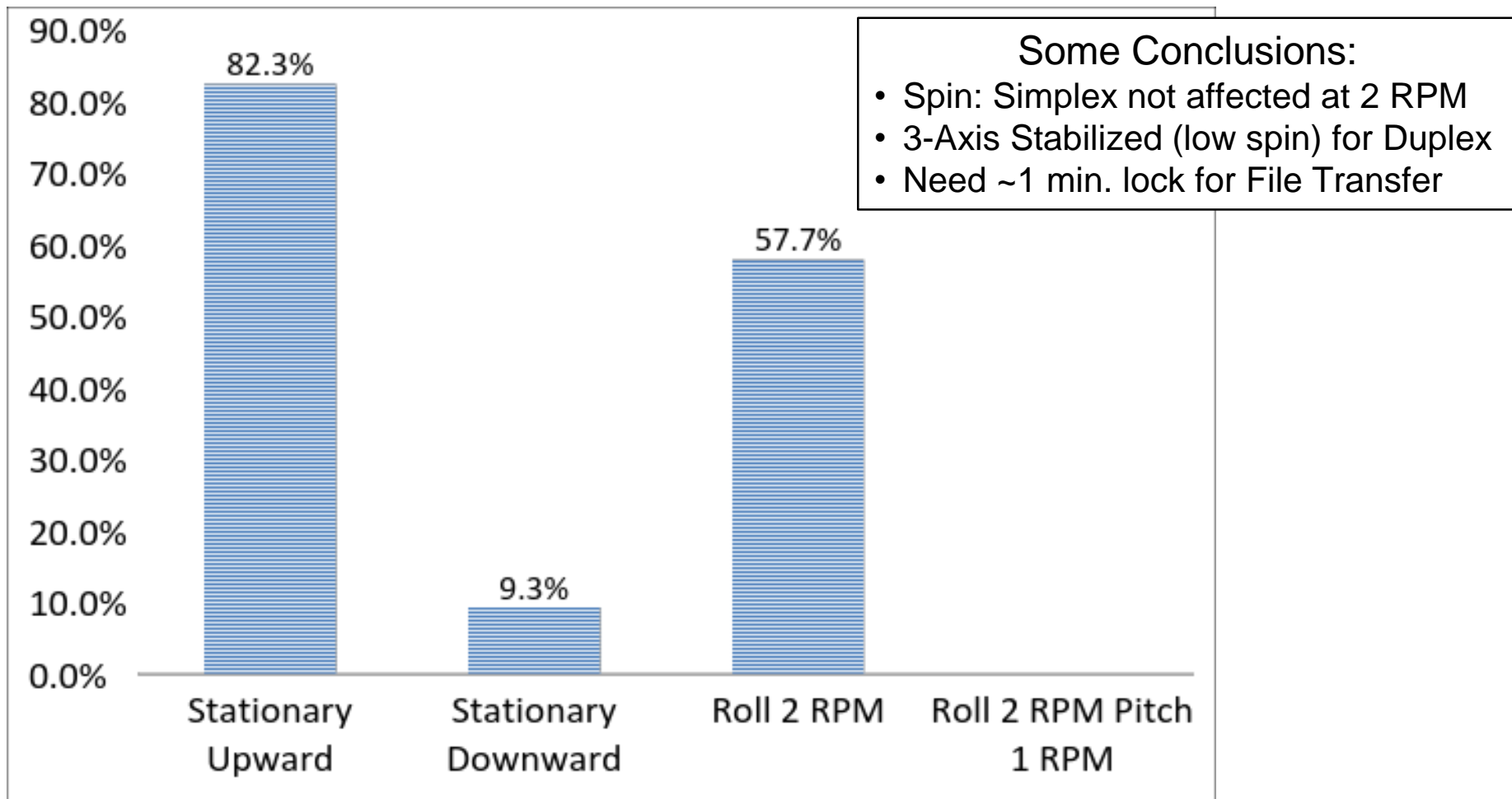
To verify this effect, we rotated and pitched the GEARRS Engineering Model (EM) to test connectivity at various tumbling rates.

Duplex
1 and 2 axis
Rotation Testing
Device





Duplex Modem % Successful Ground Call Placement as a Function of Orientation and Motion (Preliminary)





1. EyeStar Radios: Globalstar Simplex and Duplex

1. 3 launches in 15 months (Space X-ELaNa 5, Orbital-ISS, Atlas) ,
2. Reliability: 5 for 5 simplex, 2 for 2 duplex all worked well
3. Delivery: 15 universities, NASA, NSF, AF, Industry

2. FastBus Platform: Development 1U - 6U:

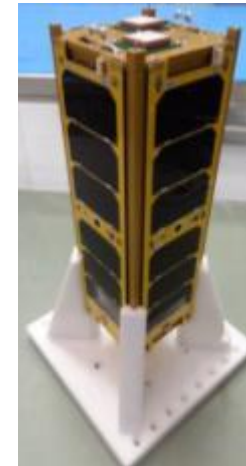
1. Low Cost and 2-3 Month Delivery of Satellite Bus
2. Robust Structure, EPS, Solar, Li-Poly Battery, Comm., 3A-Mag, EMI shield, Isothermal, Optical bench plate
3. Nanoracks-ISS, P-POD launch, FCC, Safety, & Doc.
4. Flight Heritage: GEARRS 1, GEARRS2

3. Operational Data Ground Segment

1. Anywhere Anytime, 24/7 coverage, near real time
2. Fully functional with University, Government, and Industry Use
3. Graphics display software and command software
4. Multi-Sat. Standardized time-ordered Data base

4. Other Services:

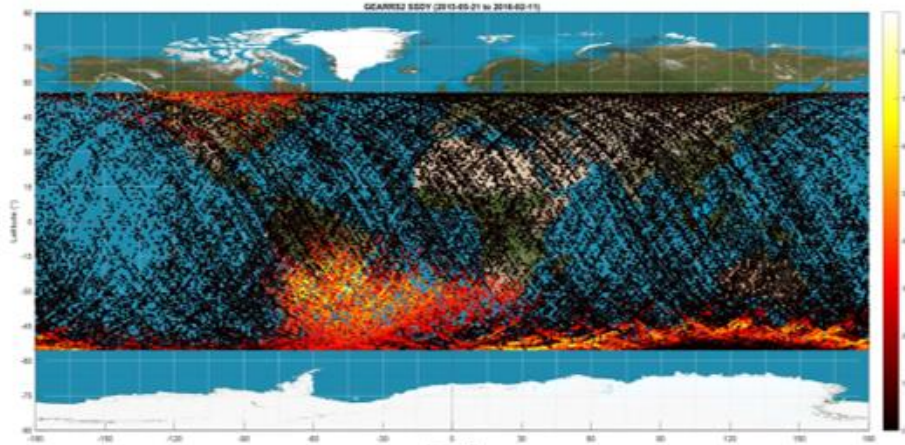
1. Sensors, High Altitude Balloons, EyePod Globalstar Radios, (Over 370 Launches with 99% success)





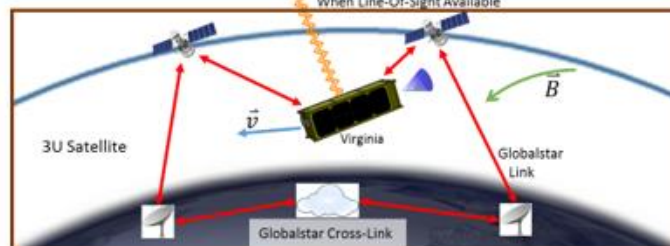
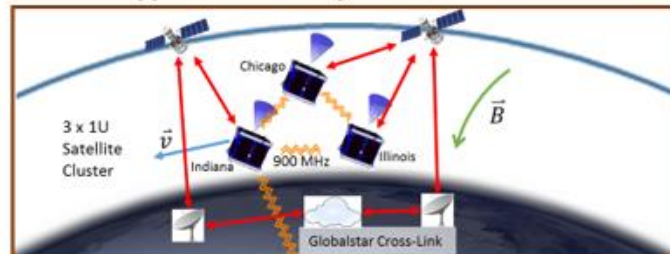
Multipoint Data, Swarms, Constellations & Common Data base

NSL-Globalstar Data Products



GEARRS2 Coverage of Energetic Particles. Note the SAMA and the Auroral Oval.

- Fully Operational Ground Station for thousands of Satellites, TRL=9
- Fault tolerant redundant cloud-based servers
- Full Ground Station Command & Data
- Custom data and console displays
- Online and mobile access
- Encryption Security



- Globalstar coverage for constellations of common data.
- Constellation communication option possible through 900 MHz link.
- Cross-link sends data through the cloud.

Suggestions

Don't leave earth without a Simplex Processor!

-Very low S/C resources, Initial start-up phase and beacon (Heath, spin, GPS, summary data), 24/7, Mission Success!

Duplex Processor for intermediate data rates.

Commanding. Much lower data cost/month with no ground stations! Mission Success

Complements other Data Links



Questions

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downstairs by food

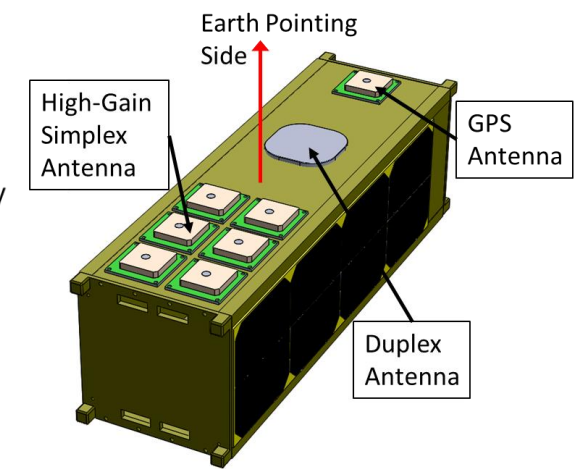
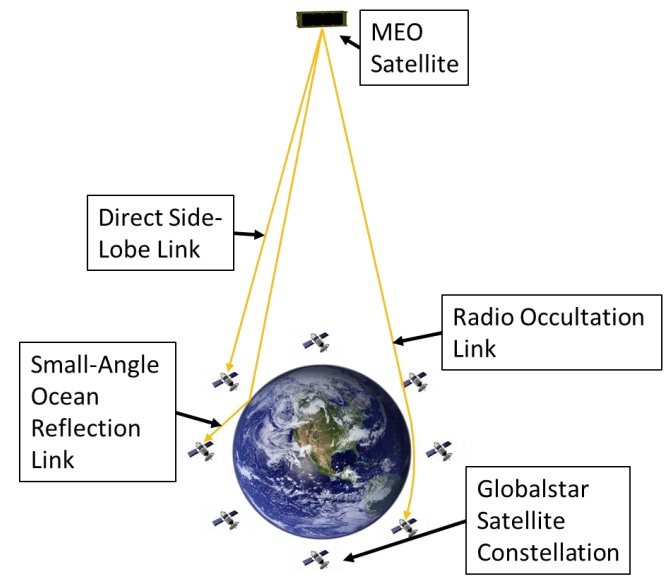
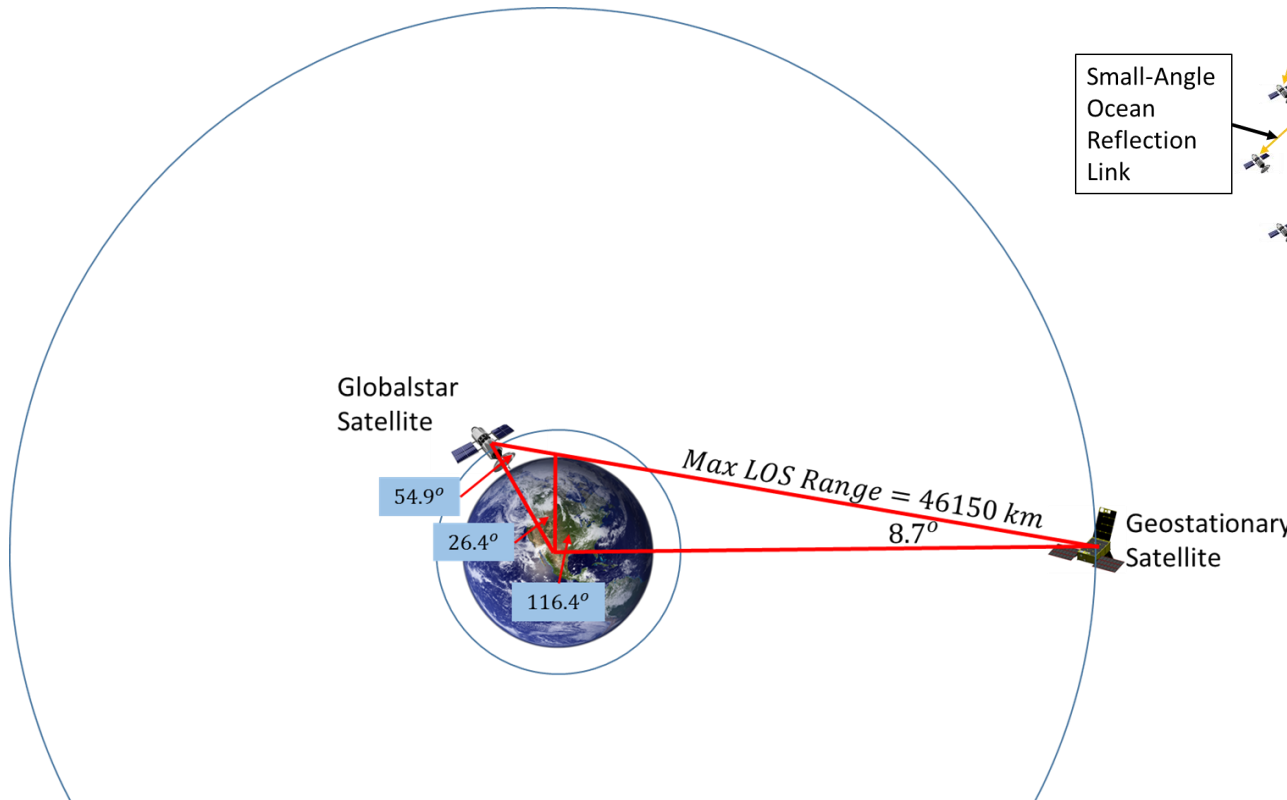


Experience: Three CubeSats launched within 15 months and many ready for launch using the Globalstar constellation of satellites for communication,

1. Low cost EyeStar Link: *Anywhere-Anytime, 24 hr./7days/week coverage*
2. *Critical Piece for Mission Success (9 to 700 Bytes/sec but practically 24/7)*
3. *No Ground Station required .. Ground Segment Included with Radio cost*
4. *Globalstar Capacity for TT&C for 1000's of satellites*
5. *Fully Operational NSL ground segment data and display (over 2 years)*
6. *Agile 1-3 month Delivery GEARRS2 and GEARRS1 (NSL precision unit body all-in-one FastBus Series)*
7. *Globalstar link below 200 km from reentry to many earth Radii!?*



- Geostationary Sat





Simplex Data Rates

Standardized Simplex Monthly Data Charges January 29, 2015

Verified Data Bytes Received KBytes	Research & Retail Rate Cents/Byte	Academic Rate (less 15%) Cents/Byte
0- 360	1.00	0.85
361 -1,800	0.75	0.64
1,800-3,600	0.50	0.43
3,600-18,000	0.40	0.34
18,000-65,318	0.30	0.26

Note Savings: No Ground Station Operation, servers and and Hardware Costs.

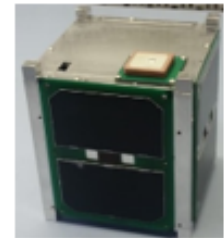


42 Day Delivery



EyeStar S2 Simplex
EyeStar D2 Duplex
SMS Commanding
Atlas, 350x700 km,
DOD, STP, & NRO

- **All-In-One Complete Satellite Bus ready for flight!**
- **Technical Readiness Level: 8-9**
- **1U to 6U and 2x3U, Constellations**
- **100% on Orbit Success**
- **Structure: Precision Unit-body, EMI shielded, Thermal transfer, Rad shielded**
- **Includes: Globalstar radios, EPS, GaAs Solar Arrays, Battery, Inhibits, Processors, Harnesses and other Sub-Systems**
- **Pumpkin and PC104 Standard compatible**
- **3-6 Week Delivery**



1U FastBus CubeSat

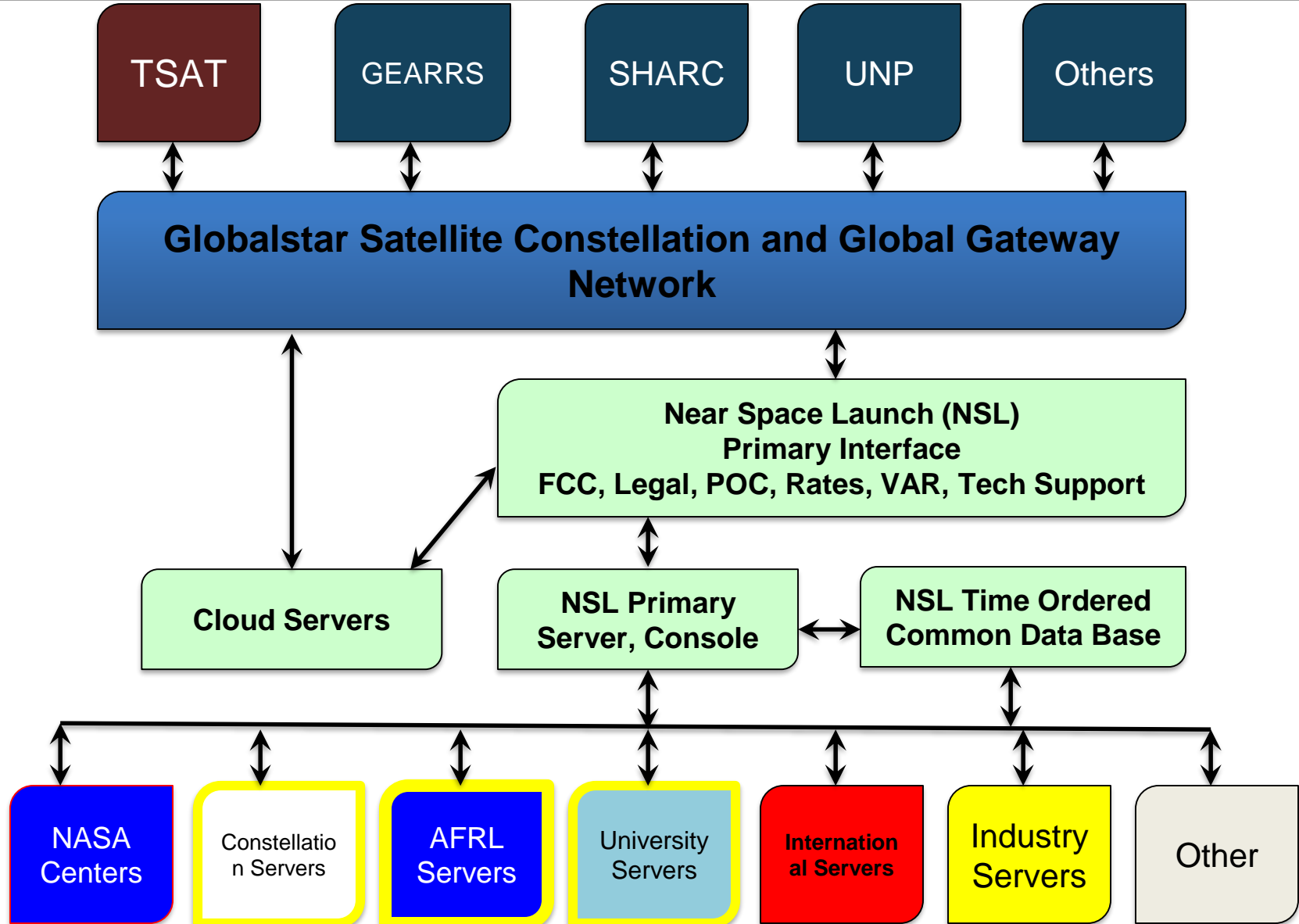


2x3U FastBus CubeSat



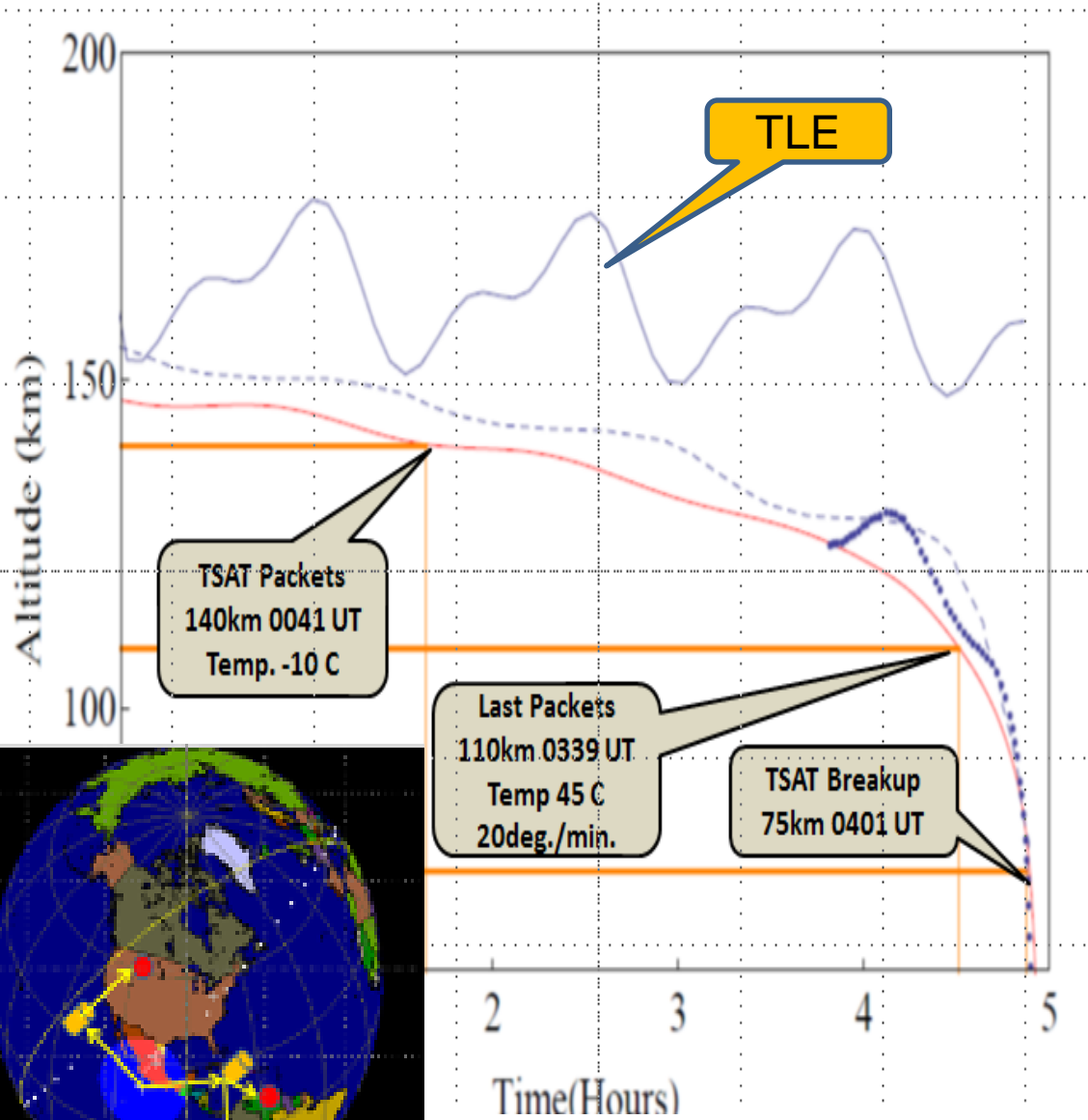
Satellite-Globalstar-Server

Data Network Operational 2+ years





TSAT 110 km Reentry Data (T=20deg/min)



ELEO Electron Density

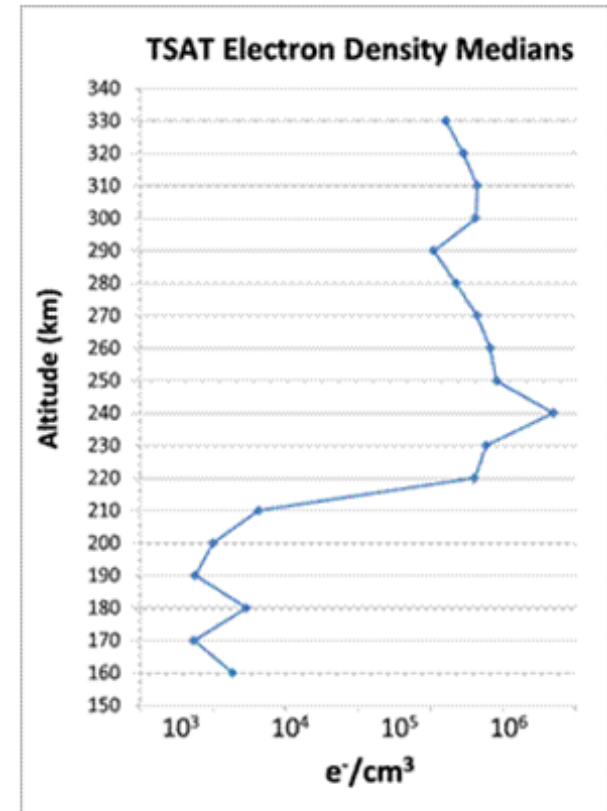


Figure 19: Mission medians of electron density for various orbit altitudes (10km bins). The higher density in the F-region transitions to the



Globalstar Usage Plan



- Single Point Contact for Globalstar Simplex
 - NSL is POC as Value Added Reseller, VAR, product for Satellite and High-Altitude Balloons
 - Maintain Globalstar Interest with increased Satellite market usage while reducing G* overhead from interruptions, training calls, nonstandard protocols, problem solving, and putting out fires.
 - Cost \$1400 EM unit to \$3,600 Flight FM Simplex unit and includes: **Beacon Flight Processor with IO, Flight Assembly, Antenna/Cable, FCC EMI Testing and Certification, Ground Segment Software, Optimization, FCC License, and Support.**
- Ensures satellite success using just beacon for basic health, summary sensor data, and GPS. Use S-band for Gbyte data.
- Ideal for Multi-Satellites (1000s): Unified/Time-Ordered CubeSat Database