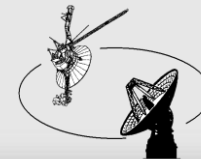




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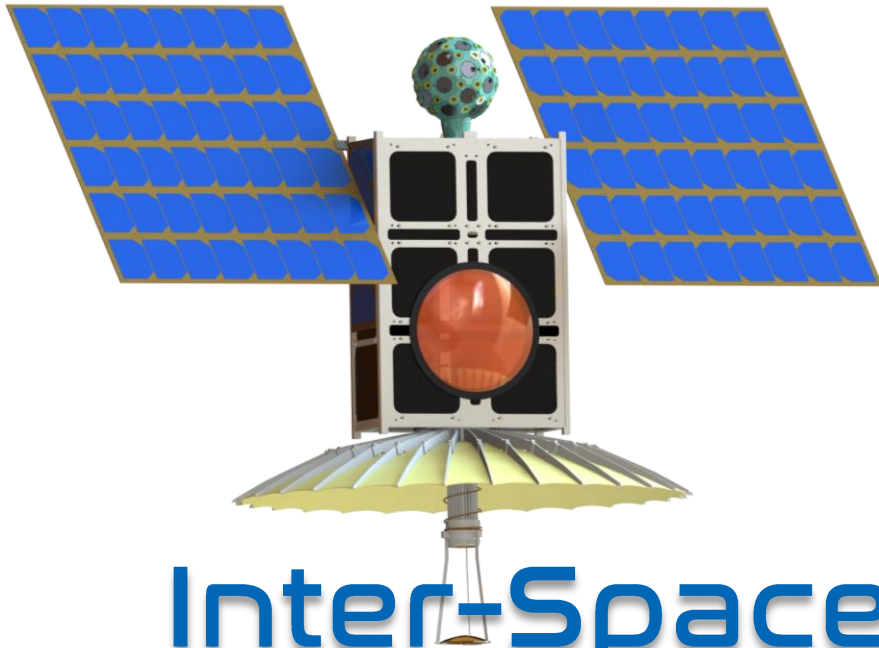
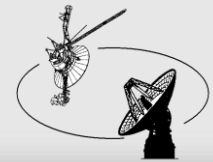
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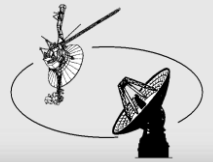
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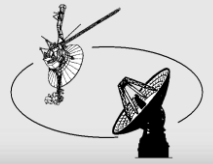
Inter-Spacecraft Omnidirectional Optical Communicator (ISOC)

Omnidirectional Optical Communicator



Outline

1. Description of ISOC
2. ISOC Design and Testing
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4. Conclusions



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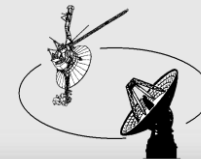
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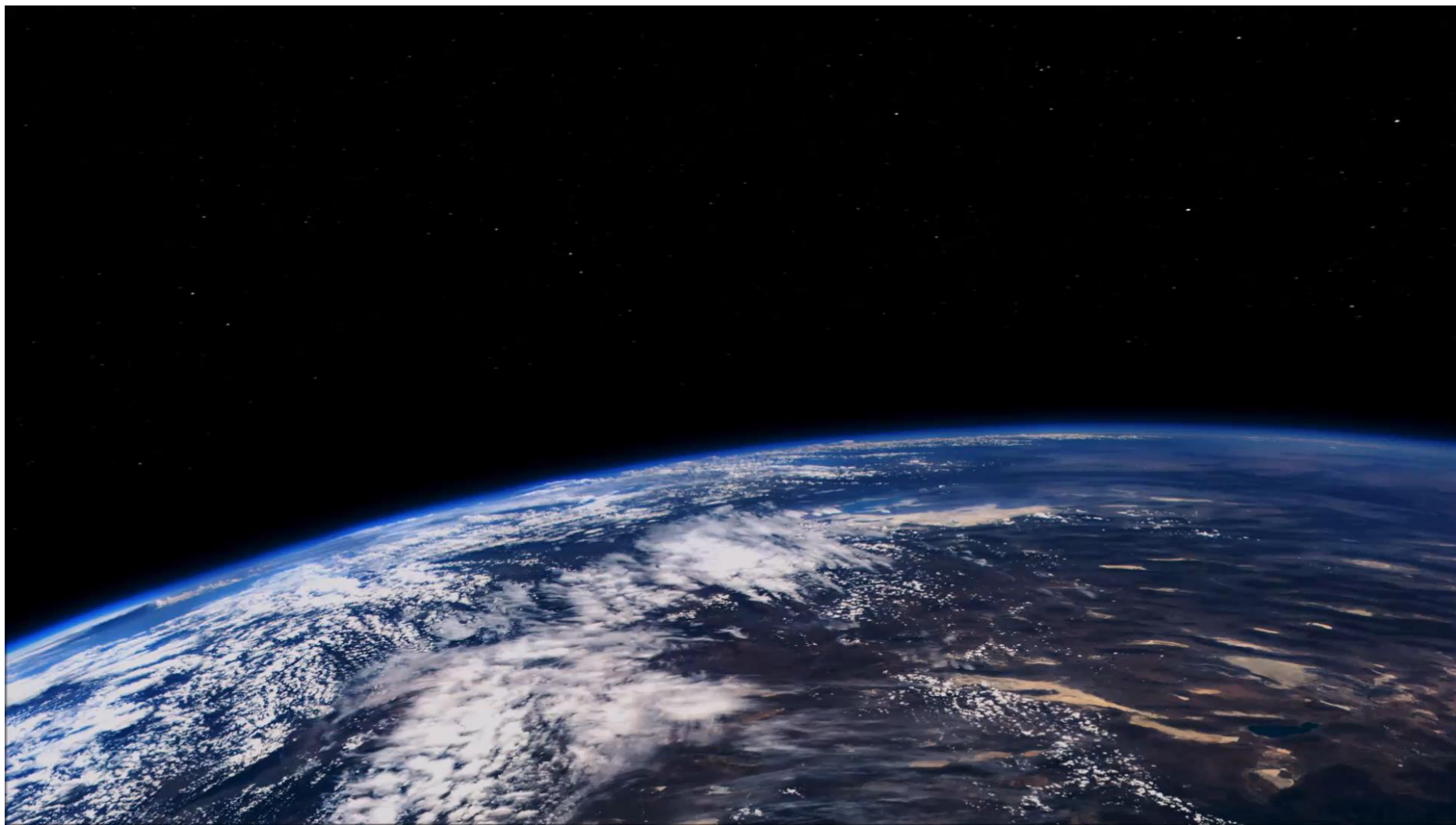
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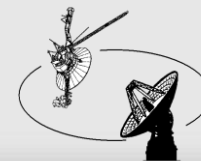


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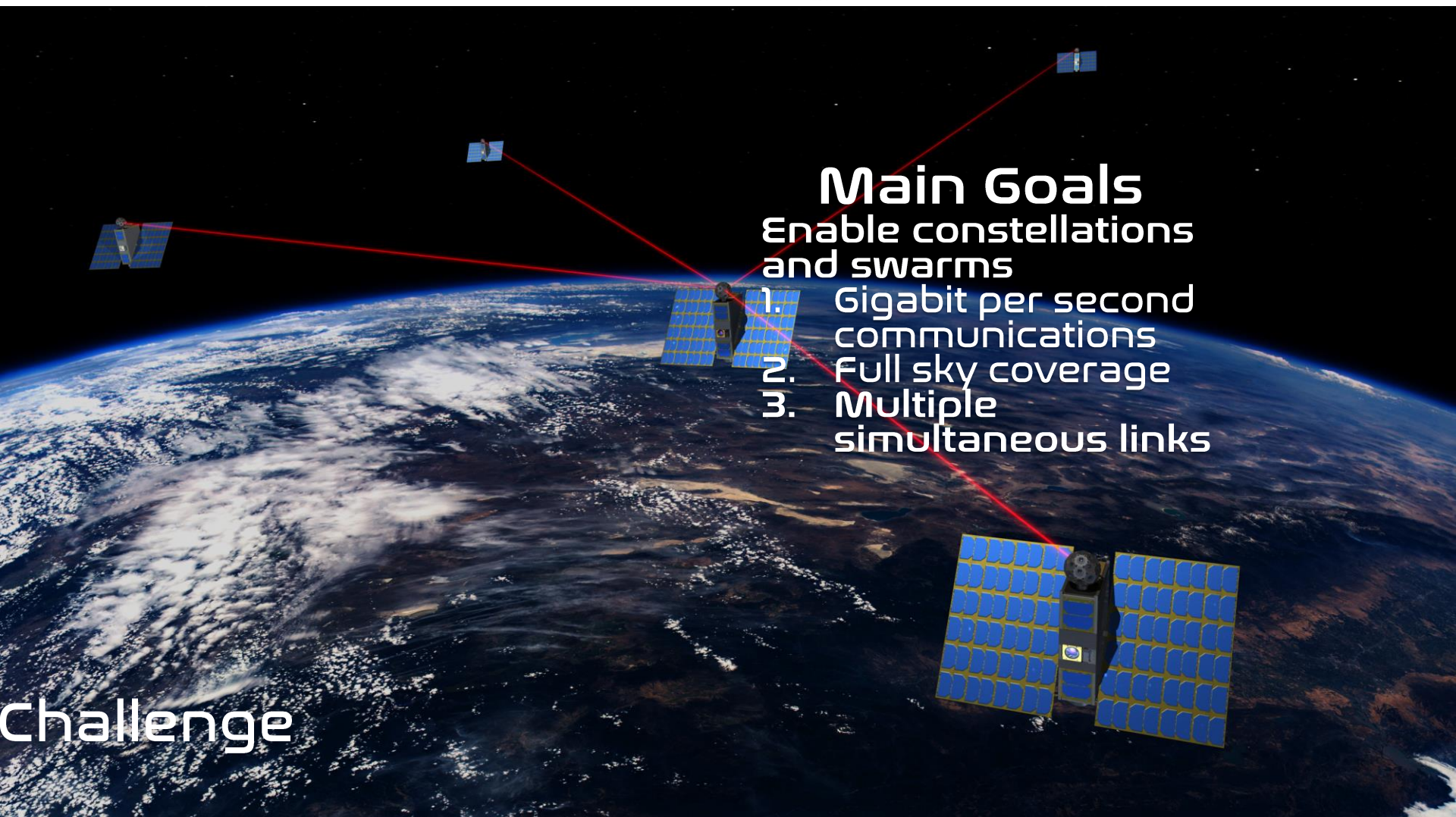


Description of ISOC: **Inspiration**

Omnidirectional Optical Communicator



1. Description of ISOC



Main Goals

Enable constellations and swarms

1. Gigabit per second communications
2. Full sky coverage
3. Multiple simultaneous links

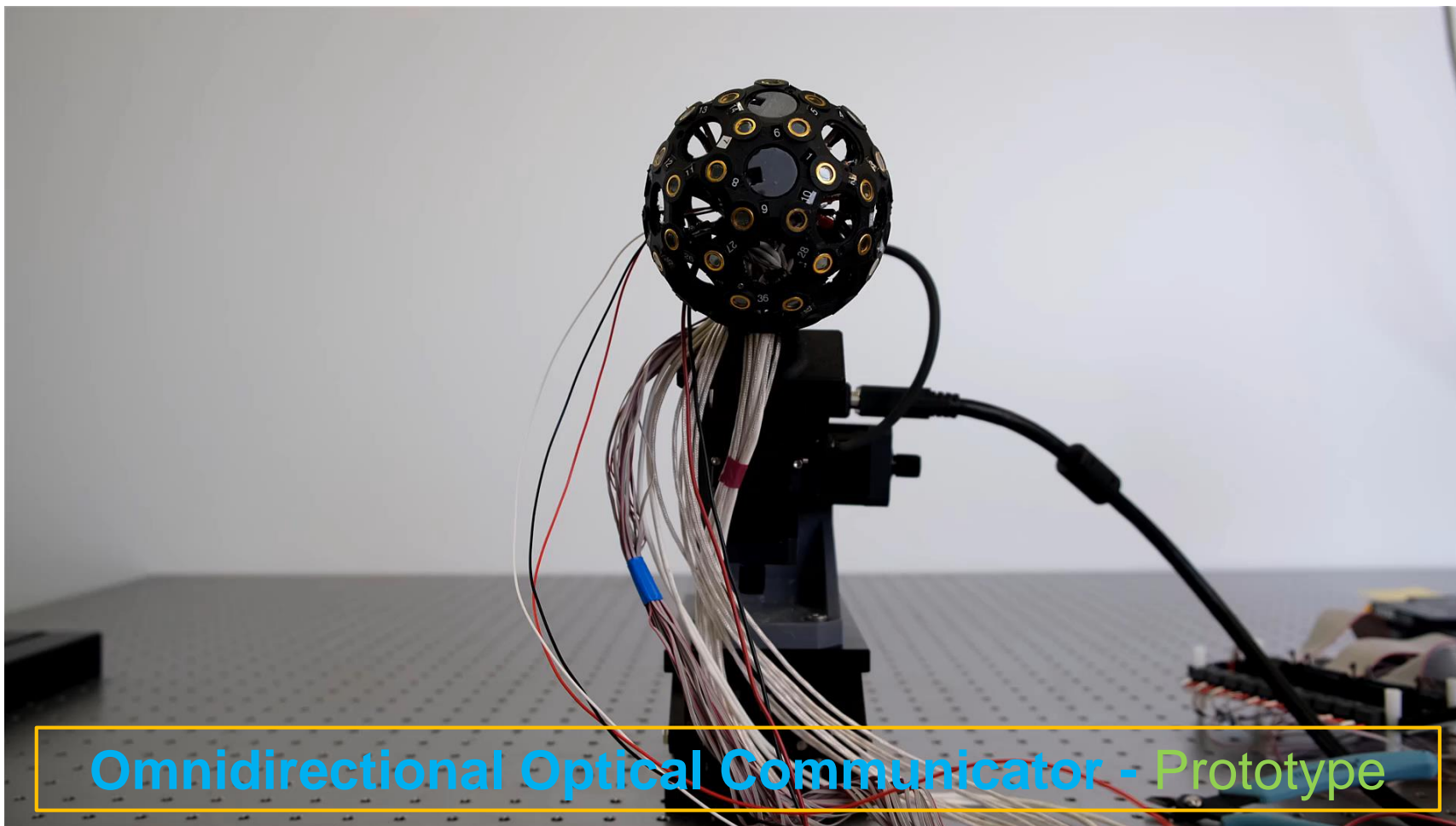
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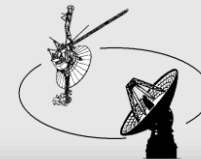


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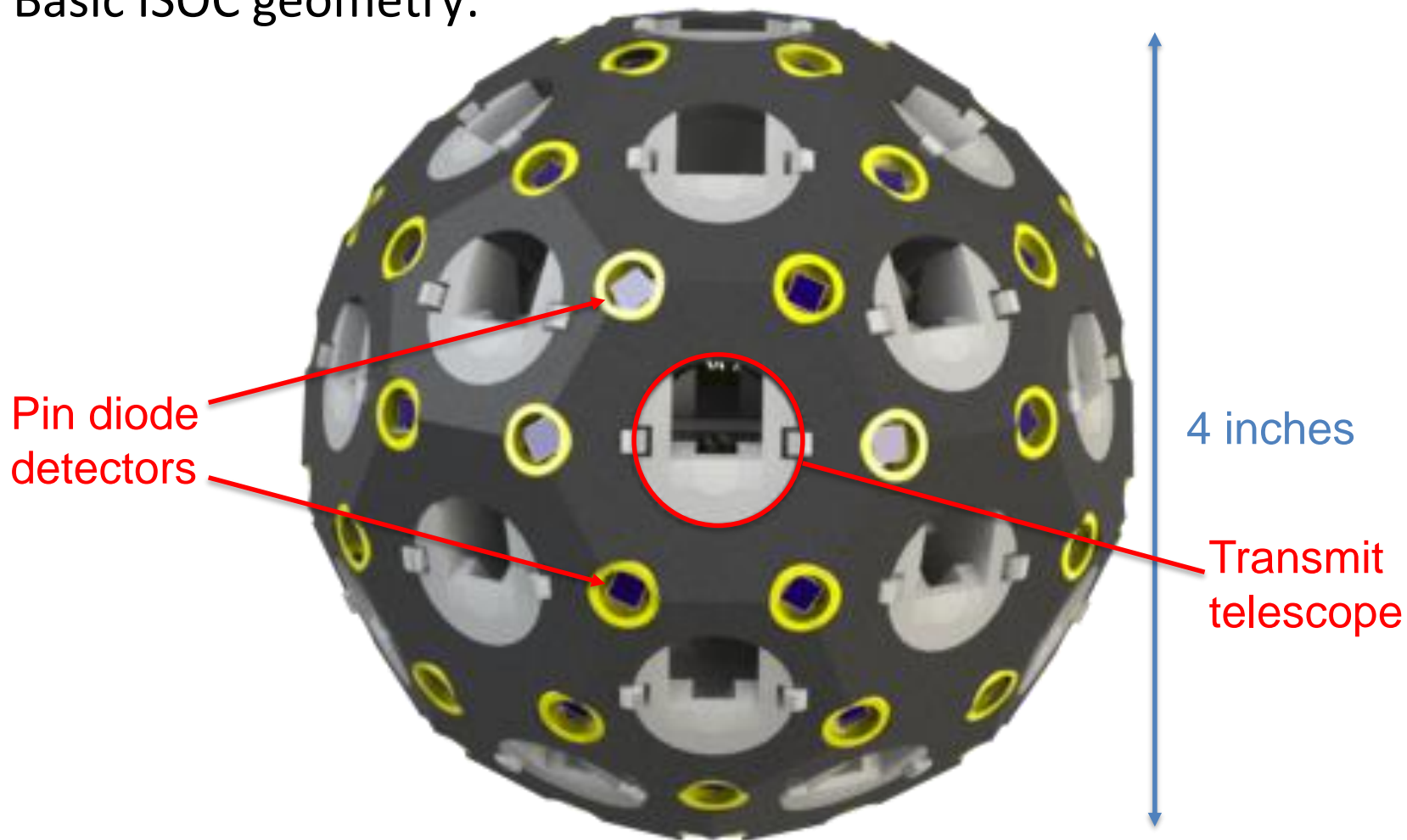


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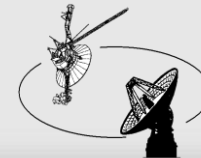


1. Description of ISOC

Basic ISOC geometry:



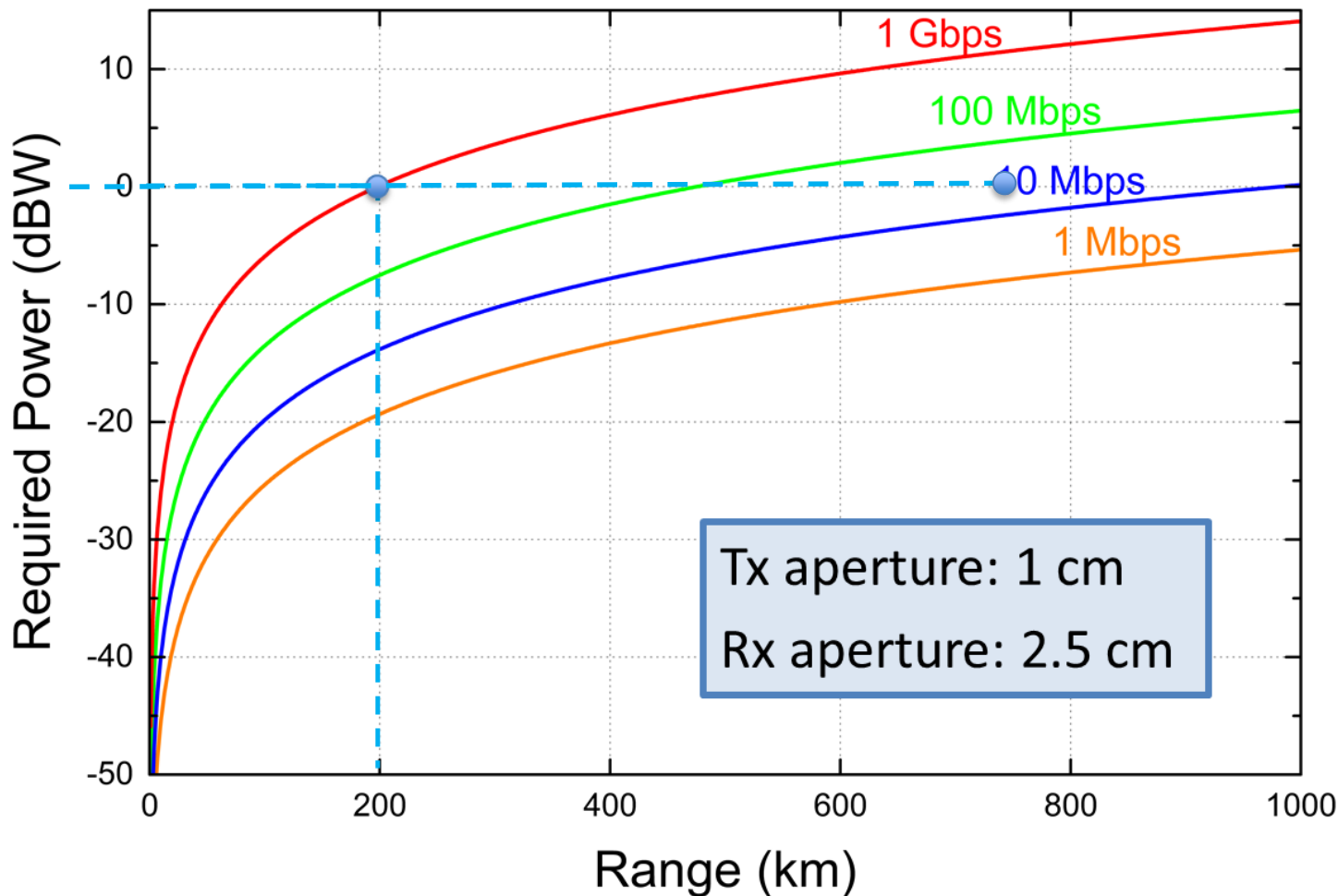
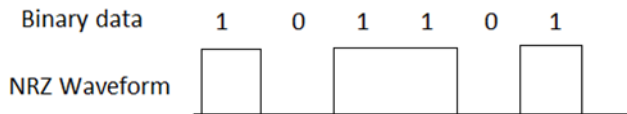
Description of ISOC: **Basic ISOC geometry**



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NRZ - OOK (On-Off Keying)

- Bandwidth (BW) = Bitrate (R_b)



Tx aperture: 1 cm
Rx aperture: 2.5 cm



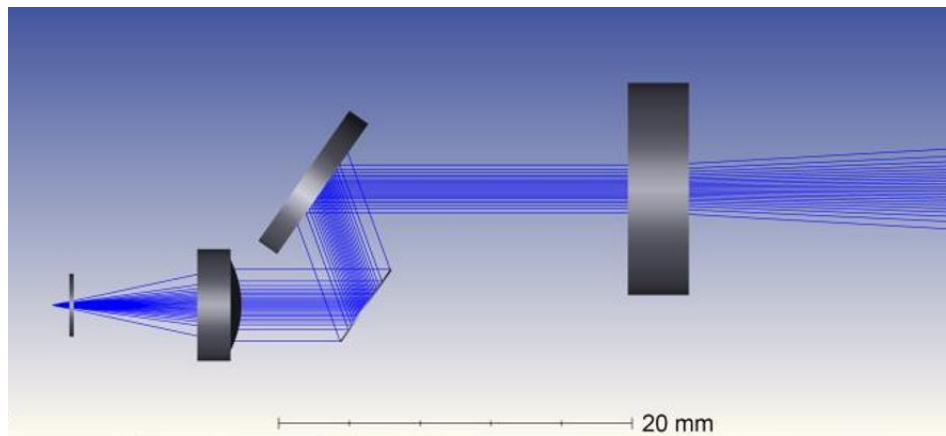
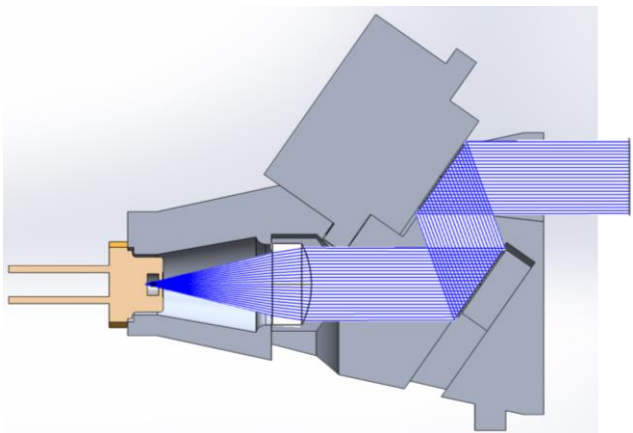
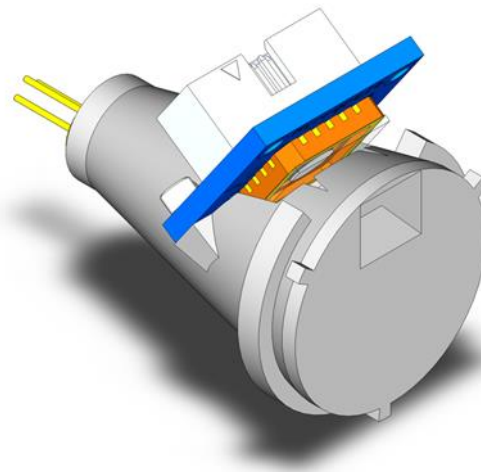
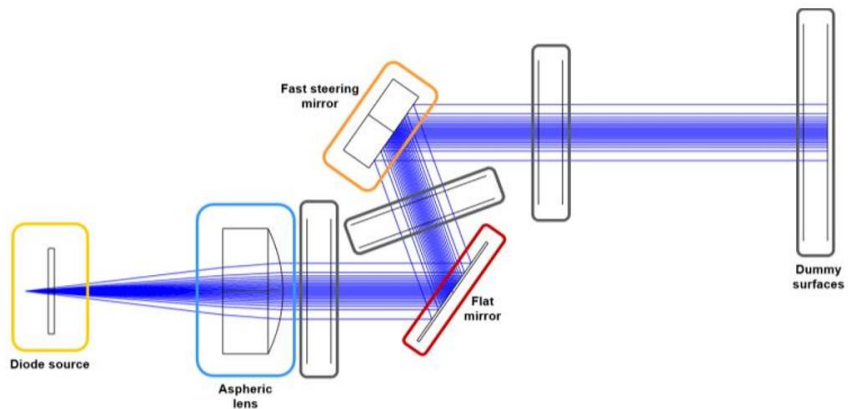
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- Transmit telescopes
- Beam steering
- Angle-of-Arrival
- Data rate

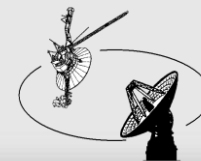


2. ISOC Design

ISOC Transmit Telescope - ZEMAX

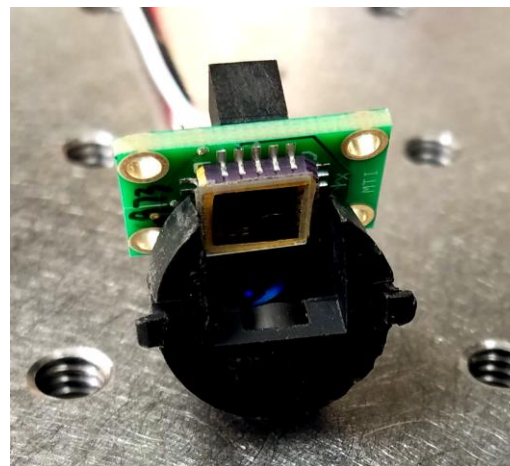
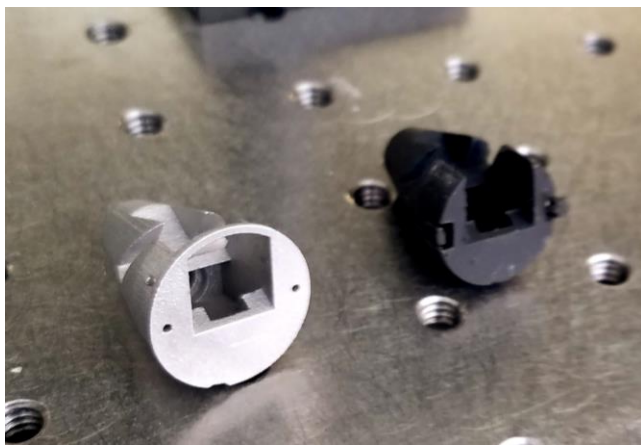
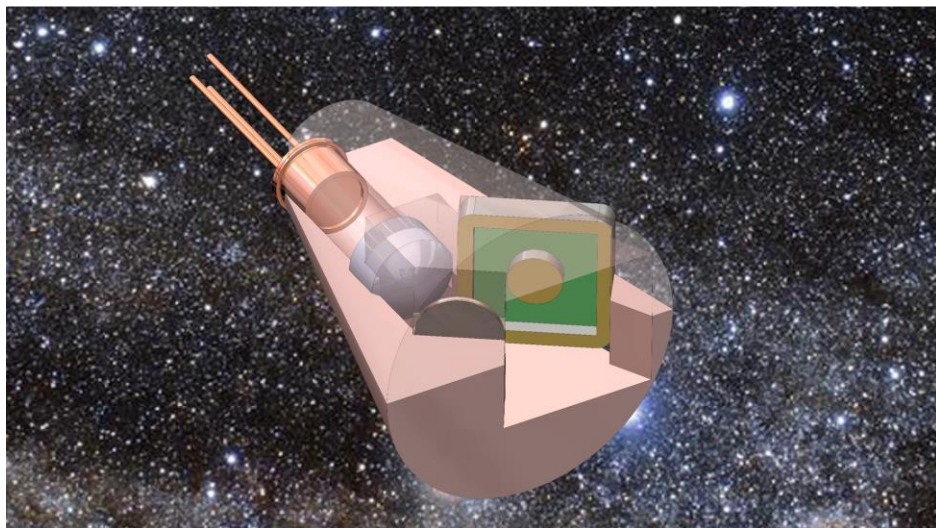


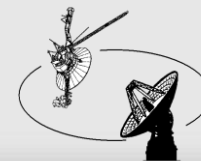
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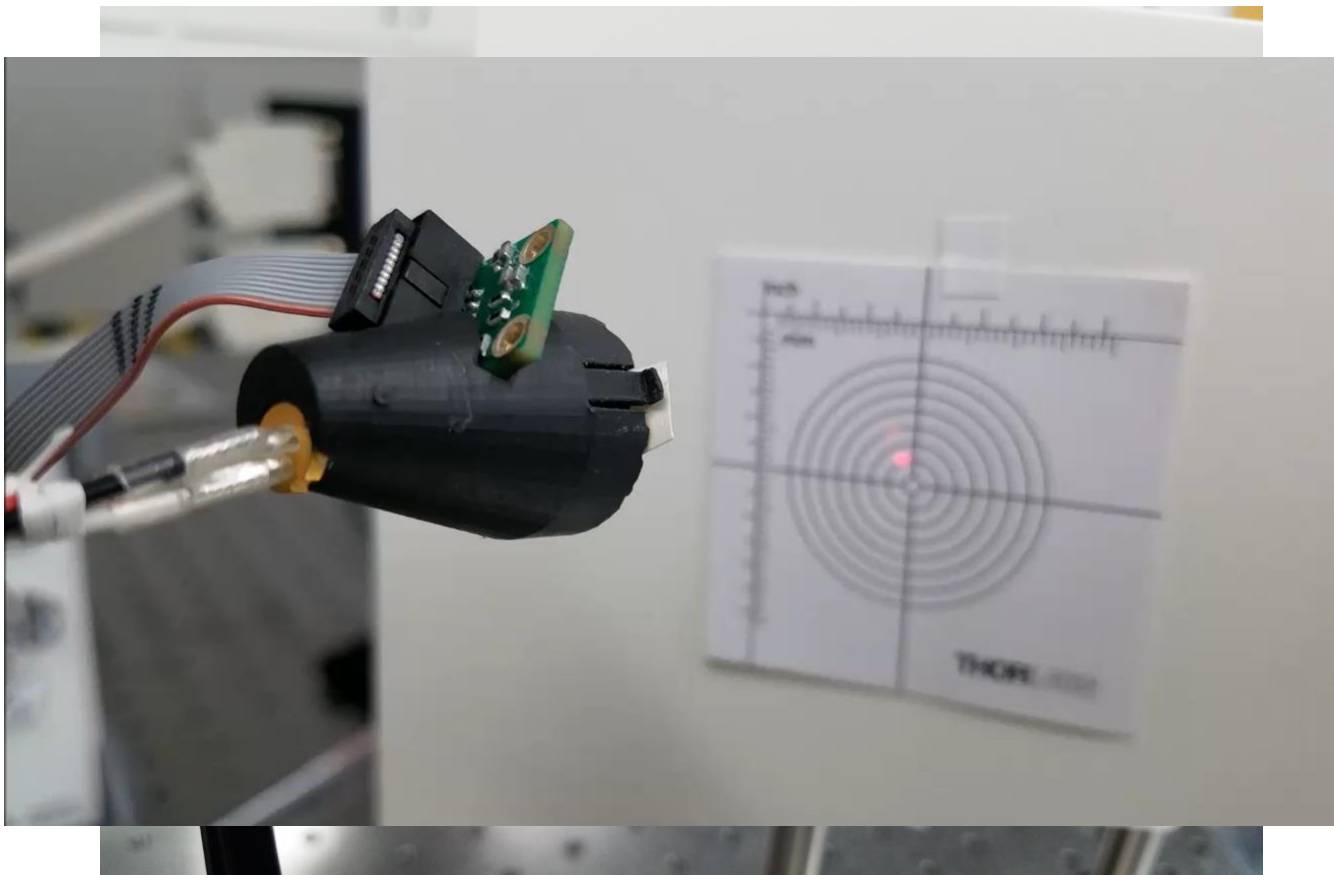
ISOC Transmit Telescope





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Miniature telescope testing

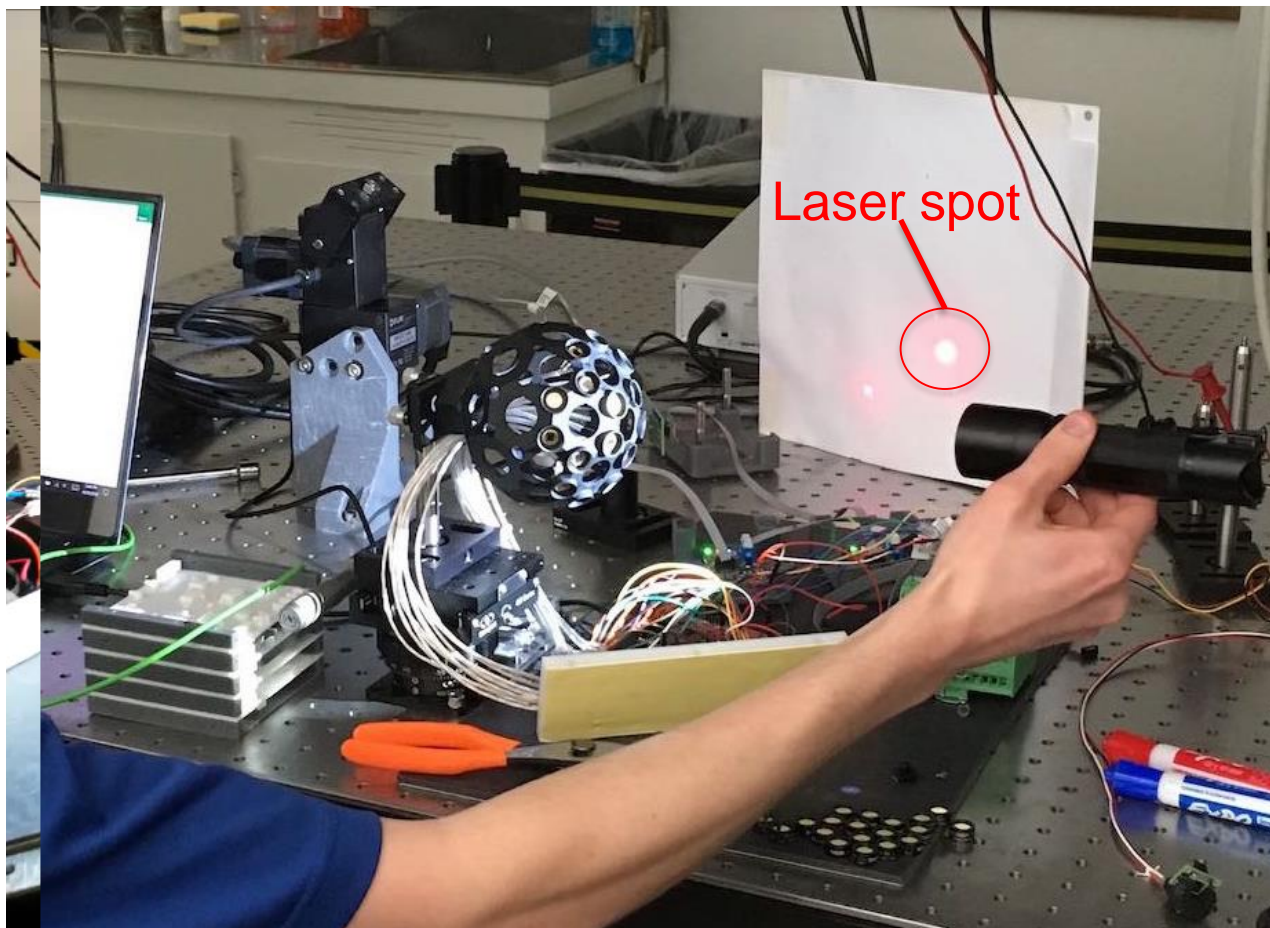


ISOC Telescope: Tx Telescope Testing



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ISOC Angle-of-Arrival & Pointing testing

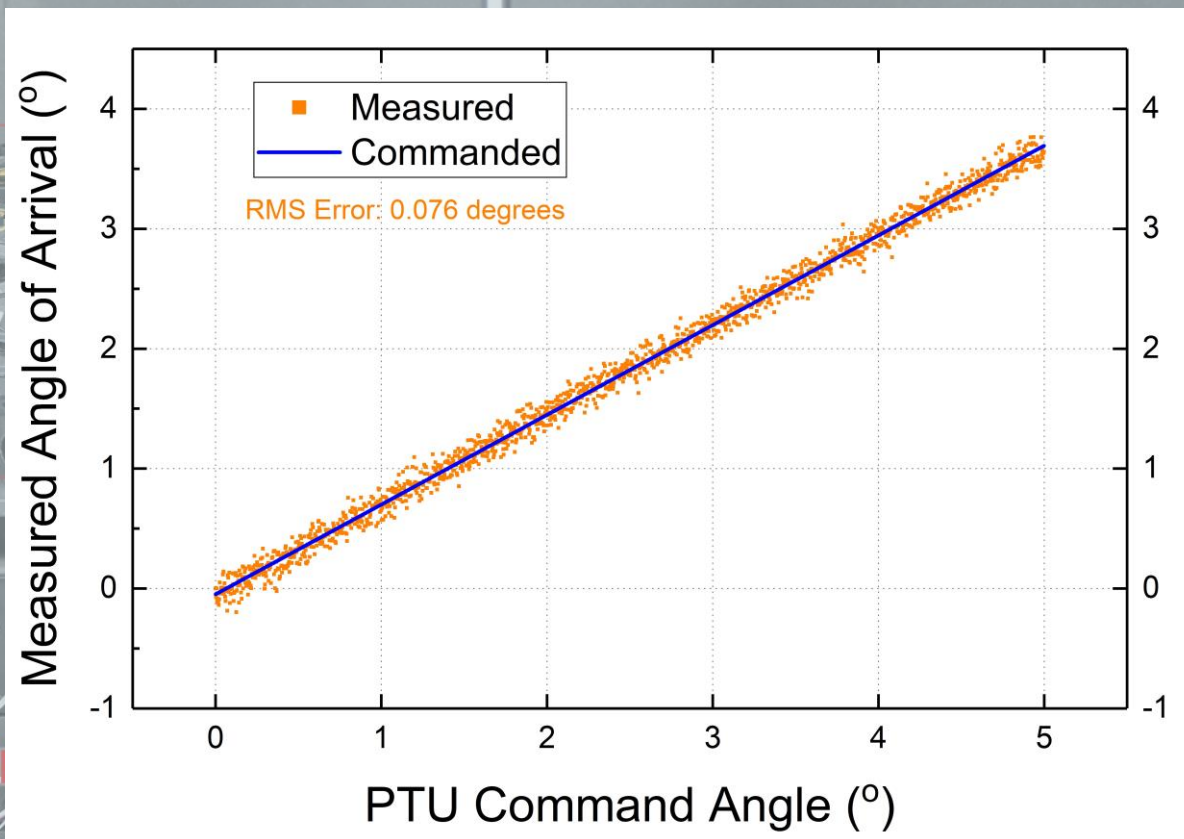


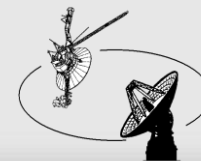
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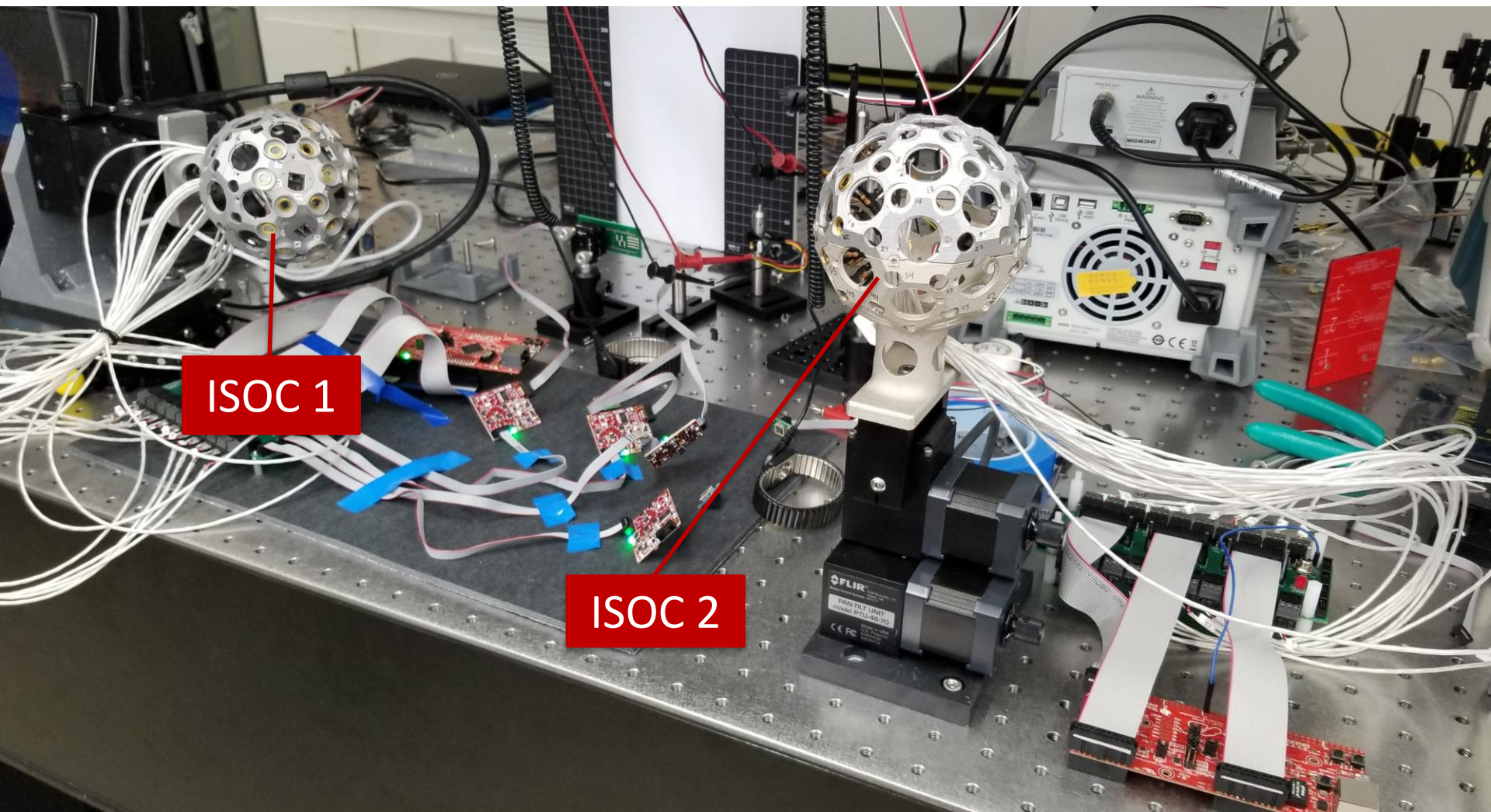
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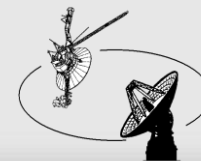




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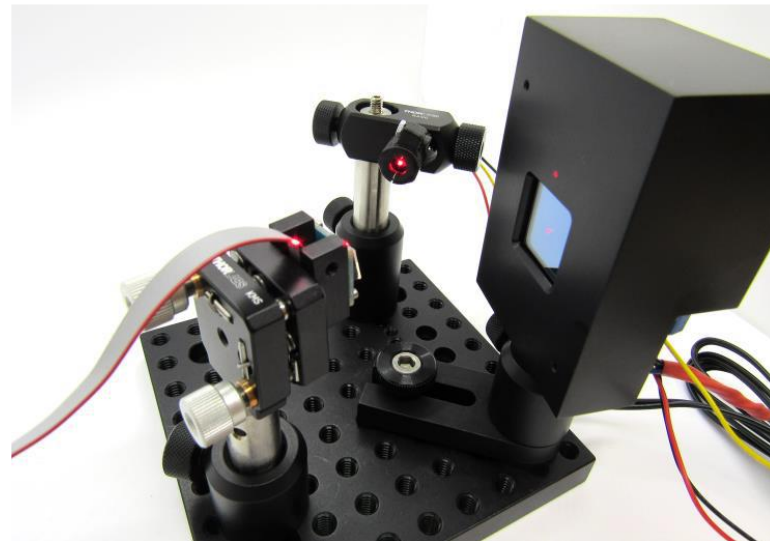
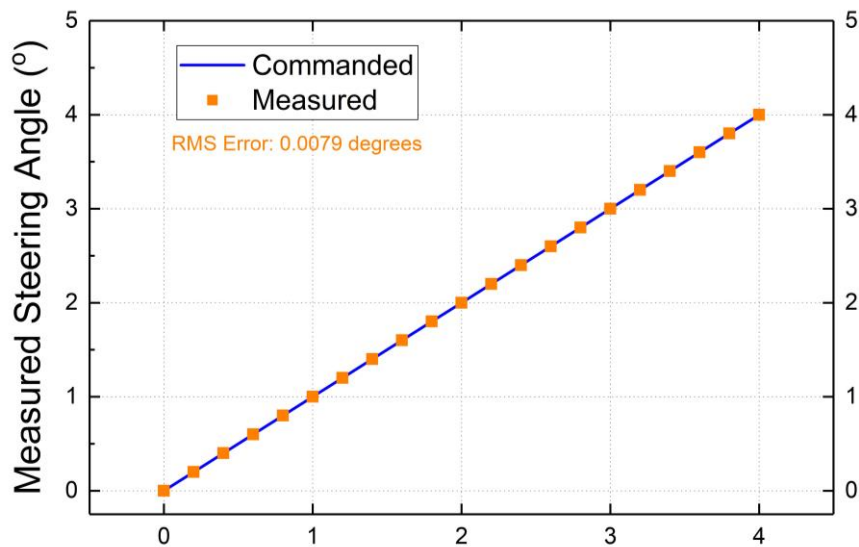
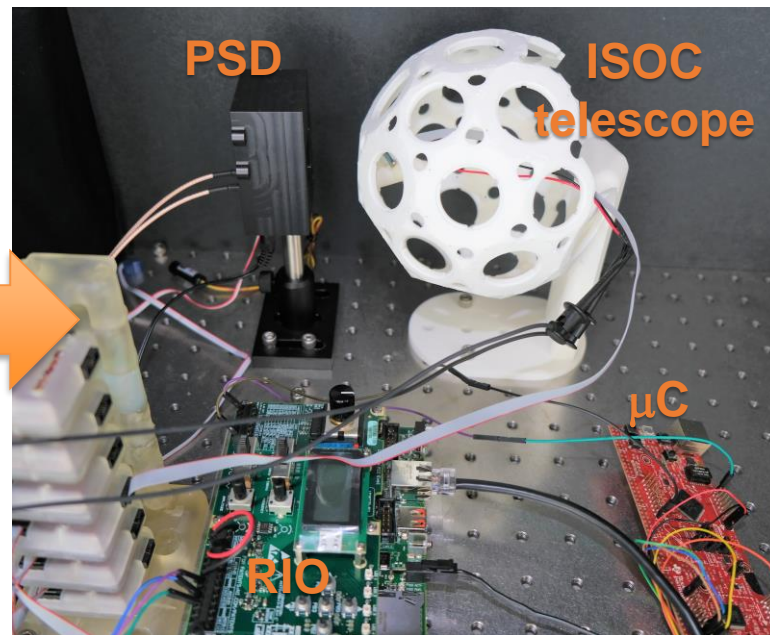
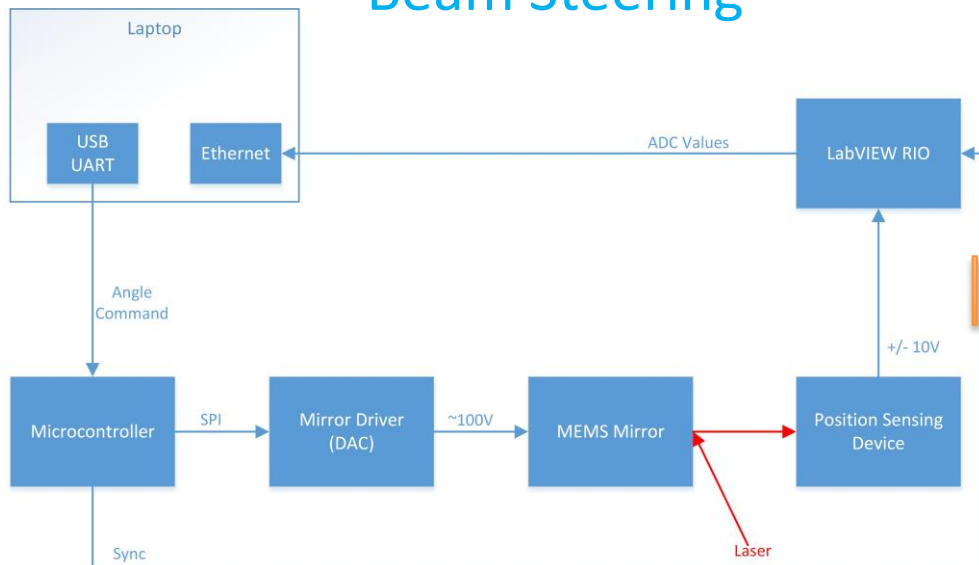
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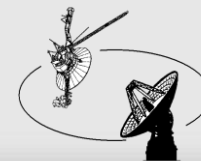
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Beam Steering



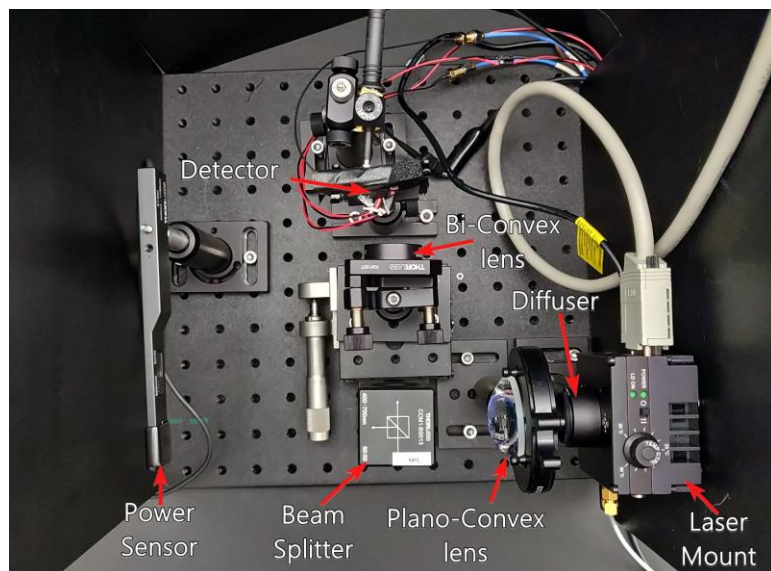
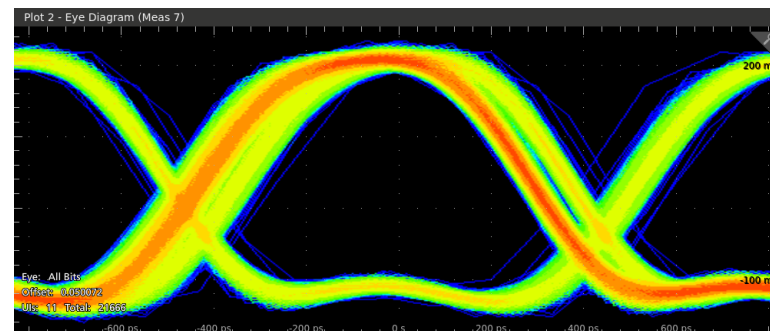
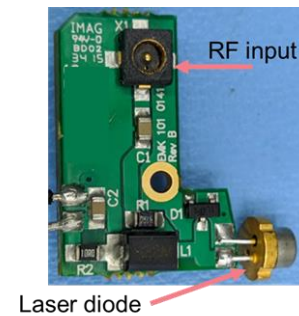
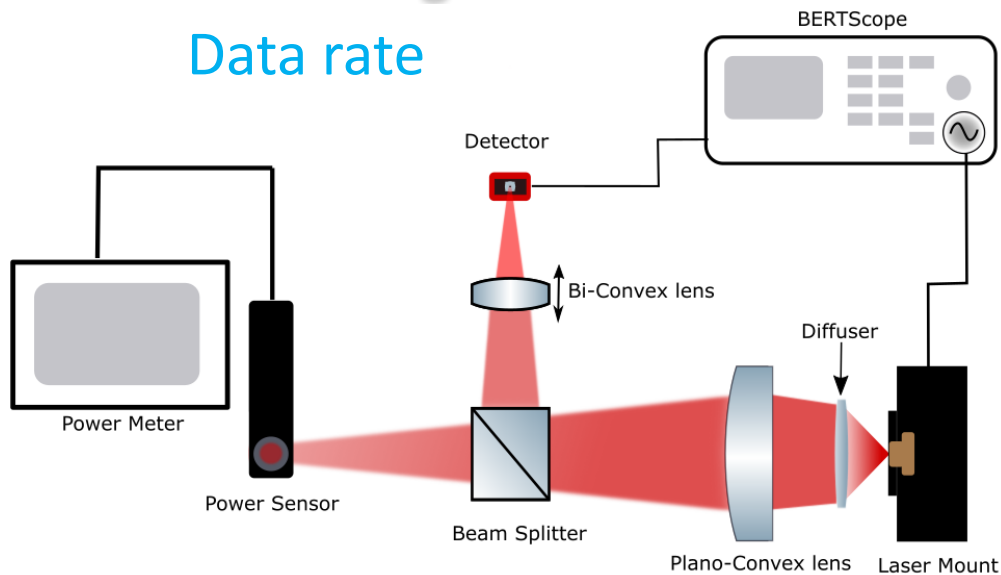
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2. ISOC Testing

Data rate



Avalanche photodetector





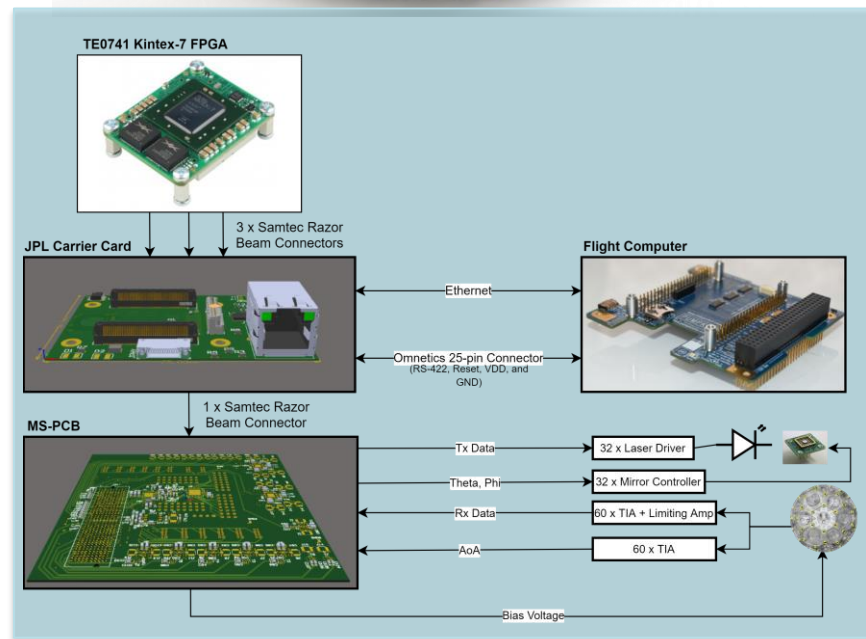
2. ISOC Testing

ISOC Flight Model

ISOC Parameters	
Parameter	Value
Wavelength	850 nm
Optical Tx Power (per laser)	1 W
Transmit diameter	0.5 cm
Receive diameter	1 cm
Data rate (≤ 200 km)	1 Gbps
Power Usage	15 W
Volume	2U
Mass	0.75 kg



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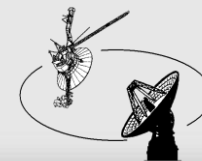




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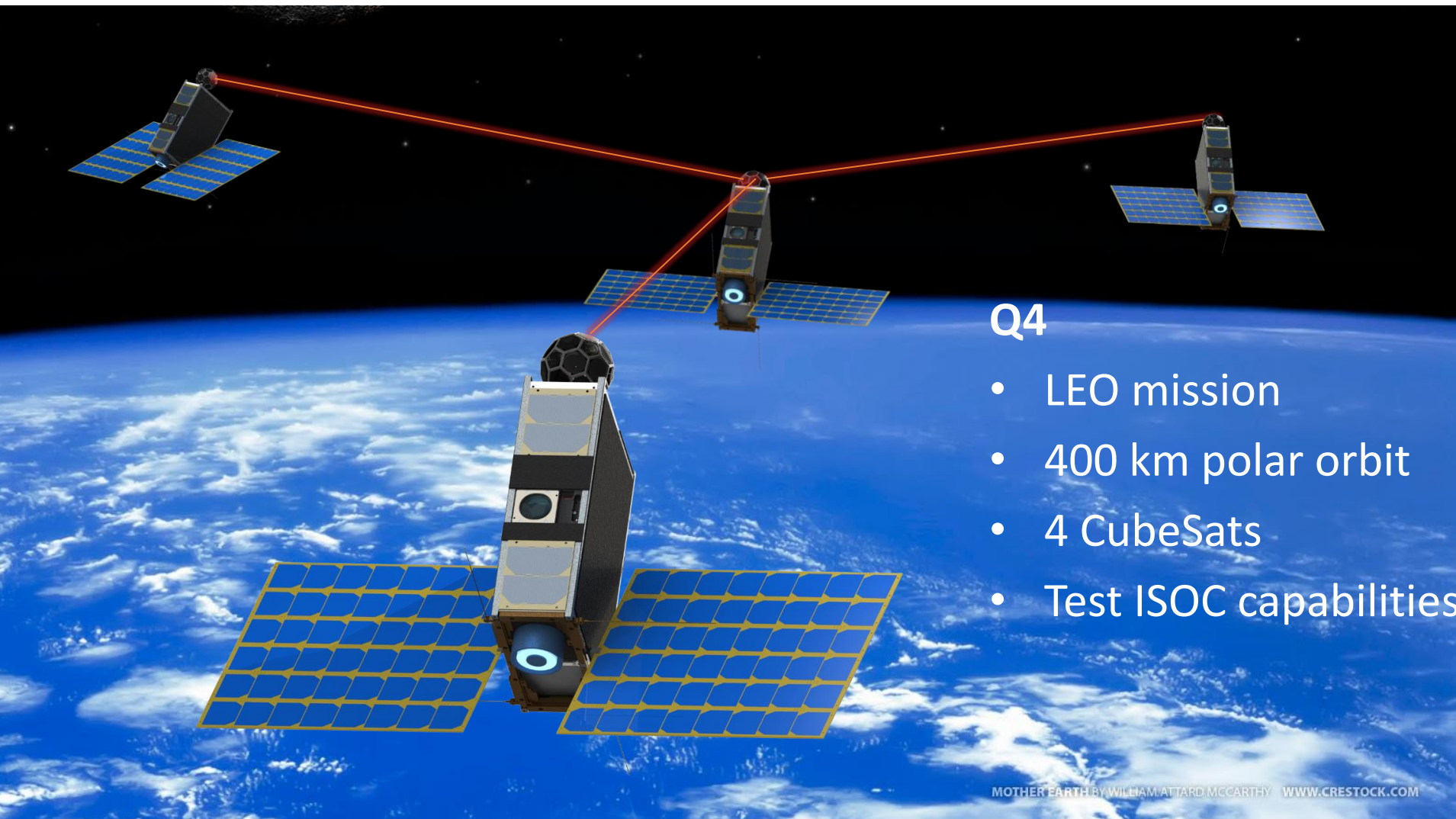
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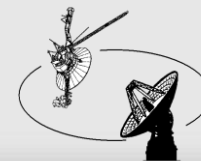


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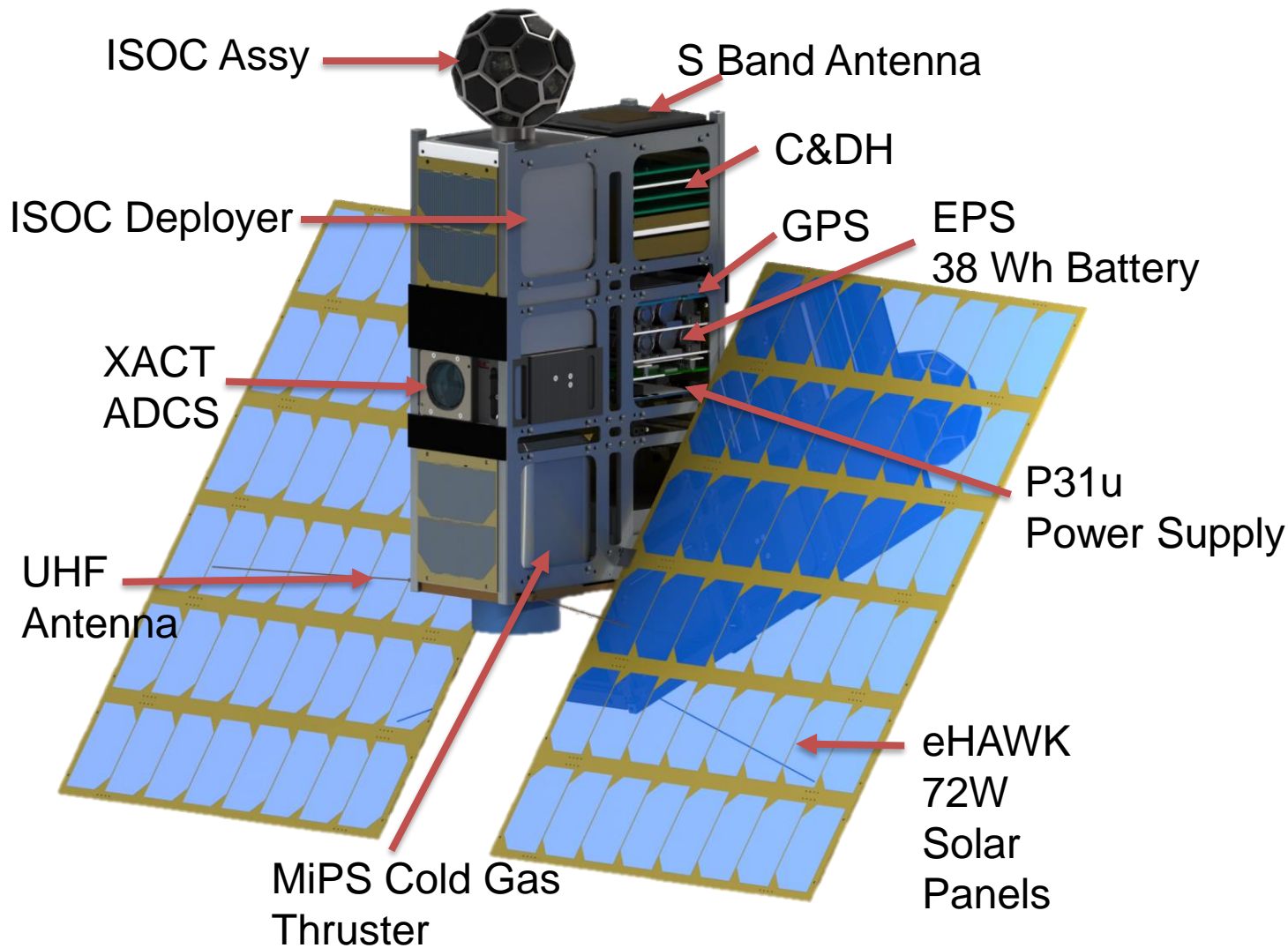
- LEO mission
- 400 km polar orbit
- 4 CubeSats
- Test ISOC capabilities

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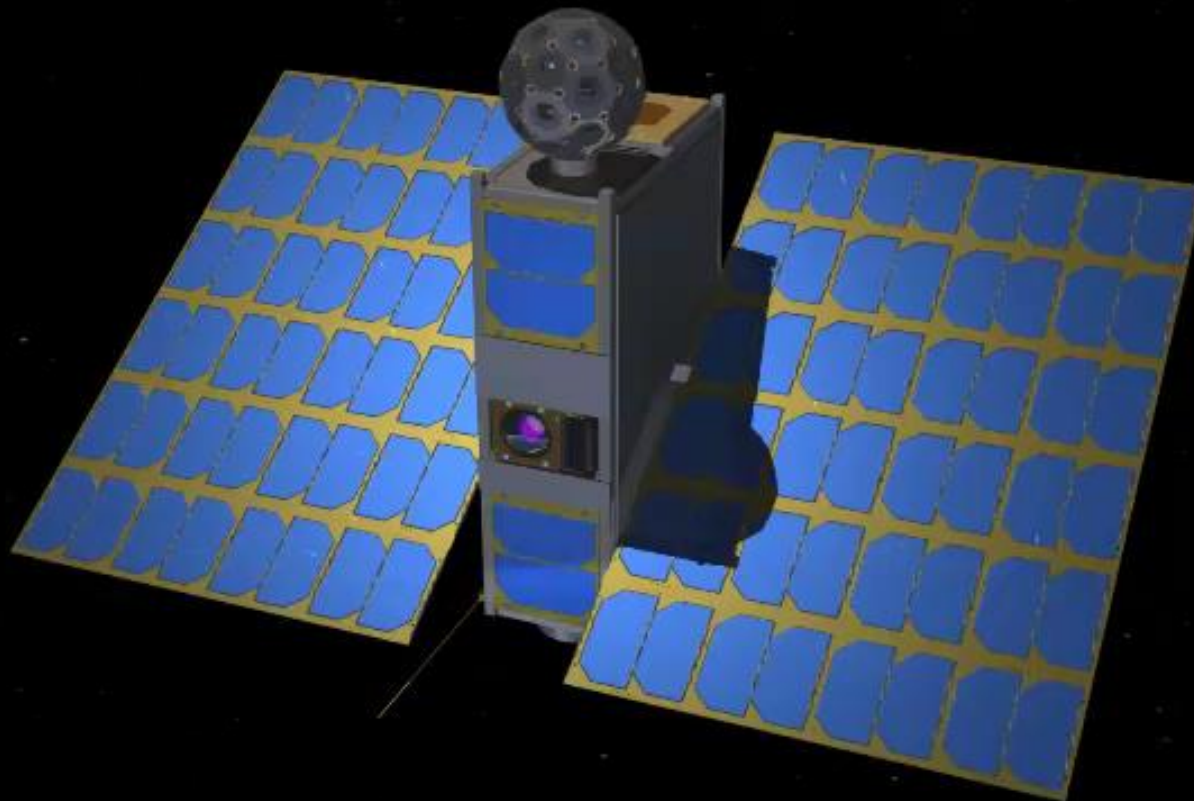
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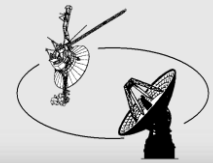
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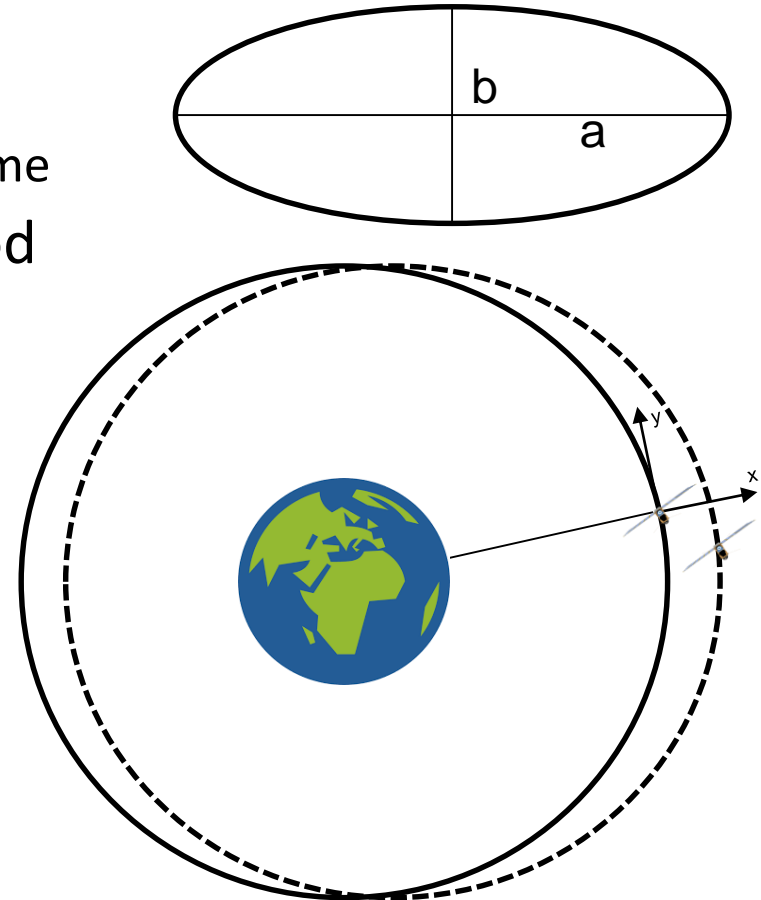
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 - Describe chaser motion in target frame
- Same semi-major axis, same period
 - Relative motion is repetitive

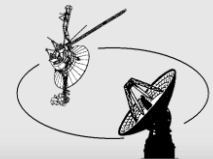
$$\ddot{x} - 2n\dot{y} - 3n^2x = f_x$$

$$\ddot{y} + 2n\dot{x} = f_y$$

$$\ddot{z} + n^2z = f_z$$

$$n = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{a^3}}$$





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Orbital Dynamics

Possible Configurations

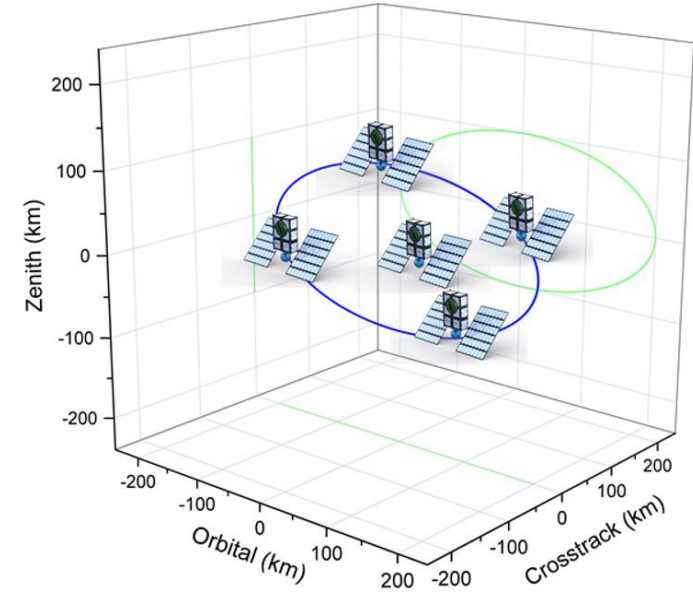
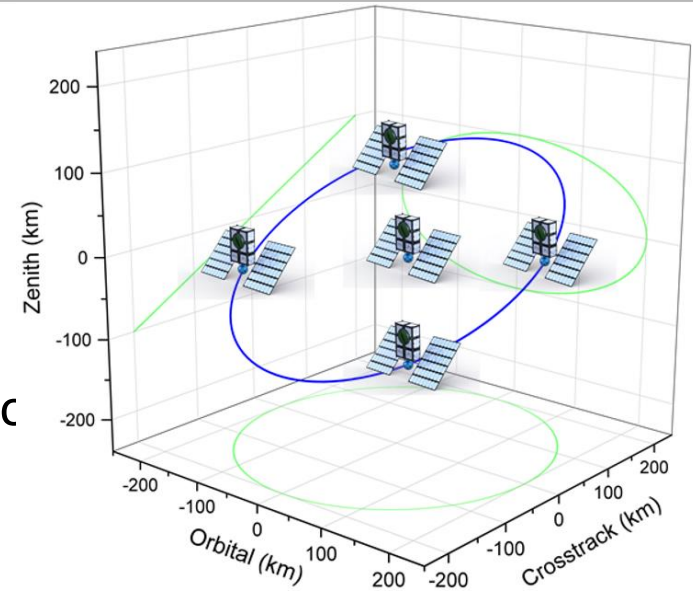
- Homogenous Analytical Solution

$$x = A_x \cos(nt + \alpha)$$

$$y = -2A_x \sin(nt + \alpha) + y_{off}$$

$$z = A_z \cos(nt + \beta)$$

- X,Y motion coupled
- Z motion free





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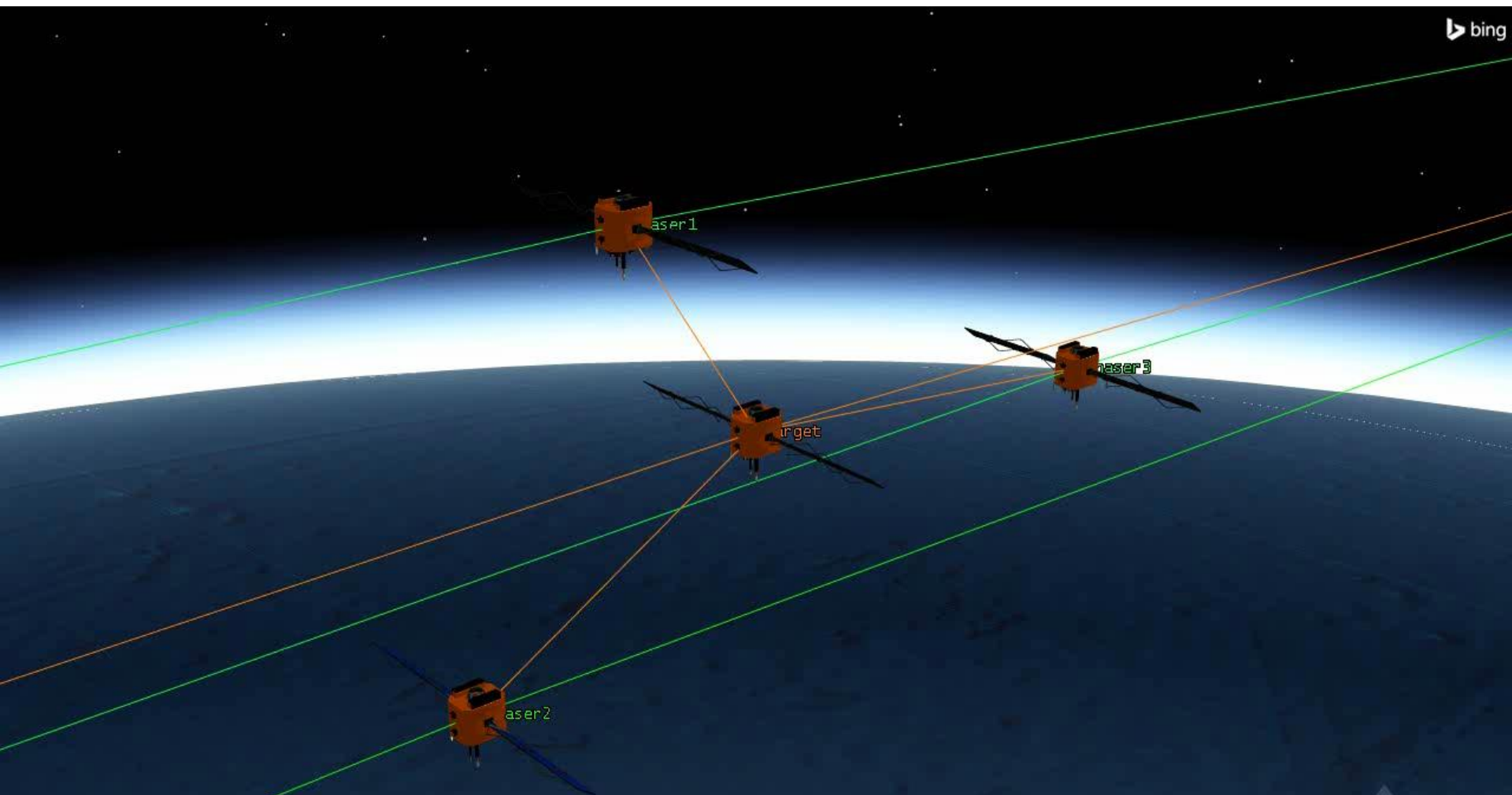
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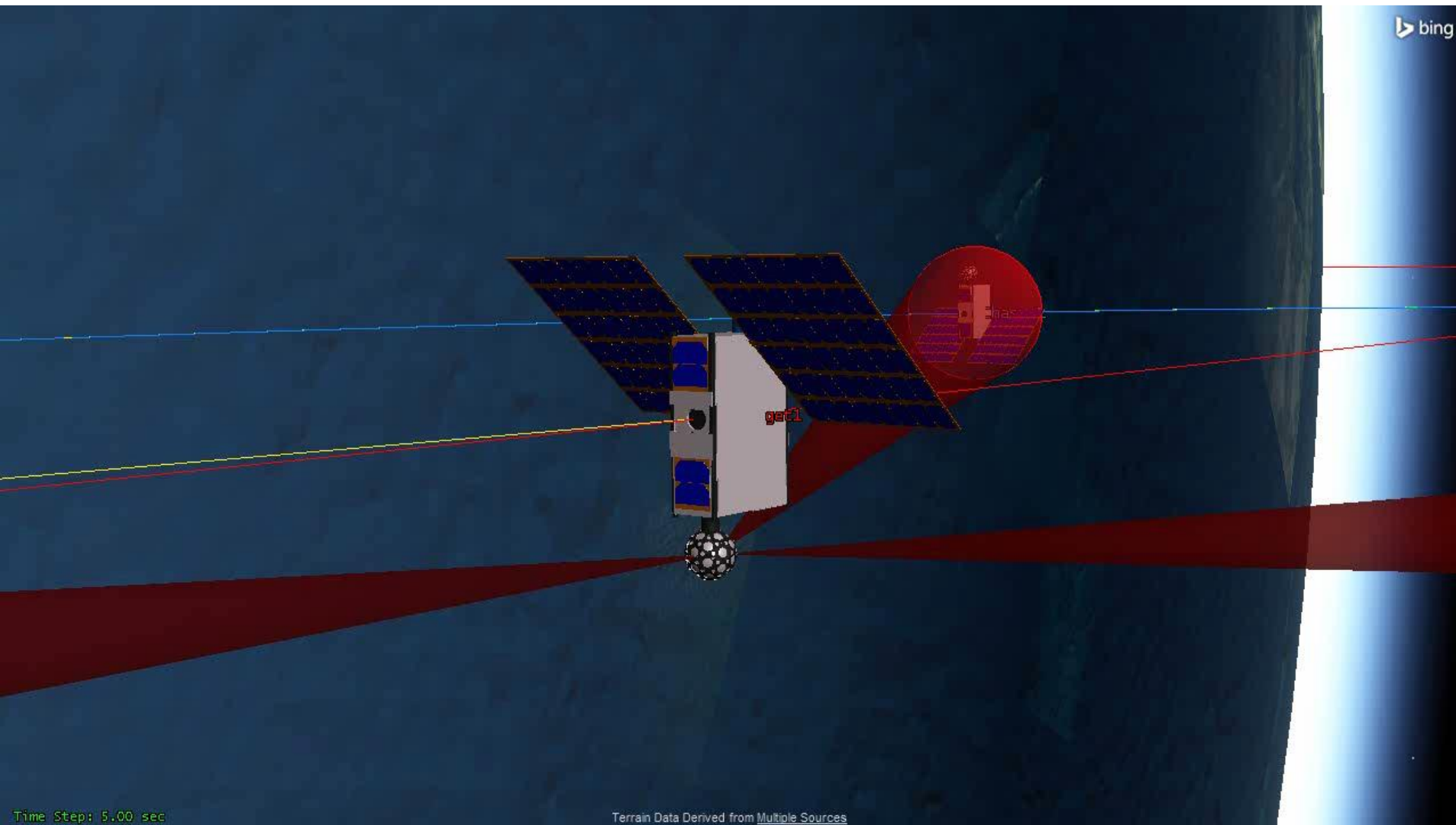
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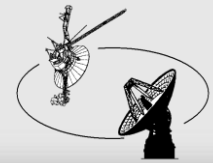
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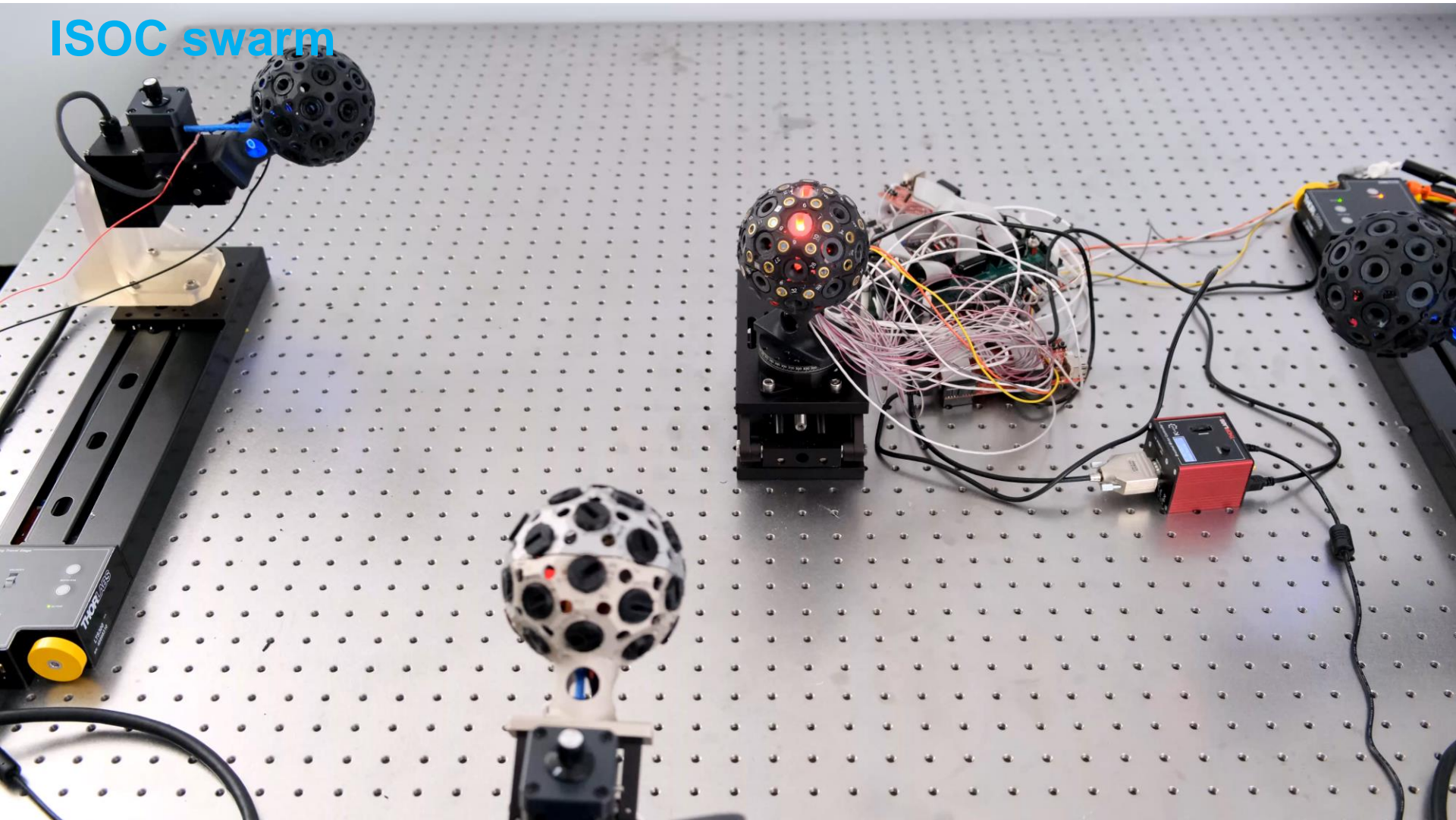
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ISOC swarm



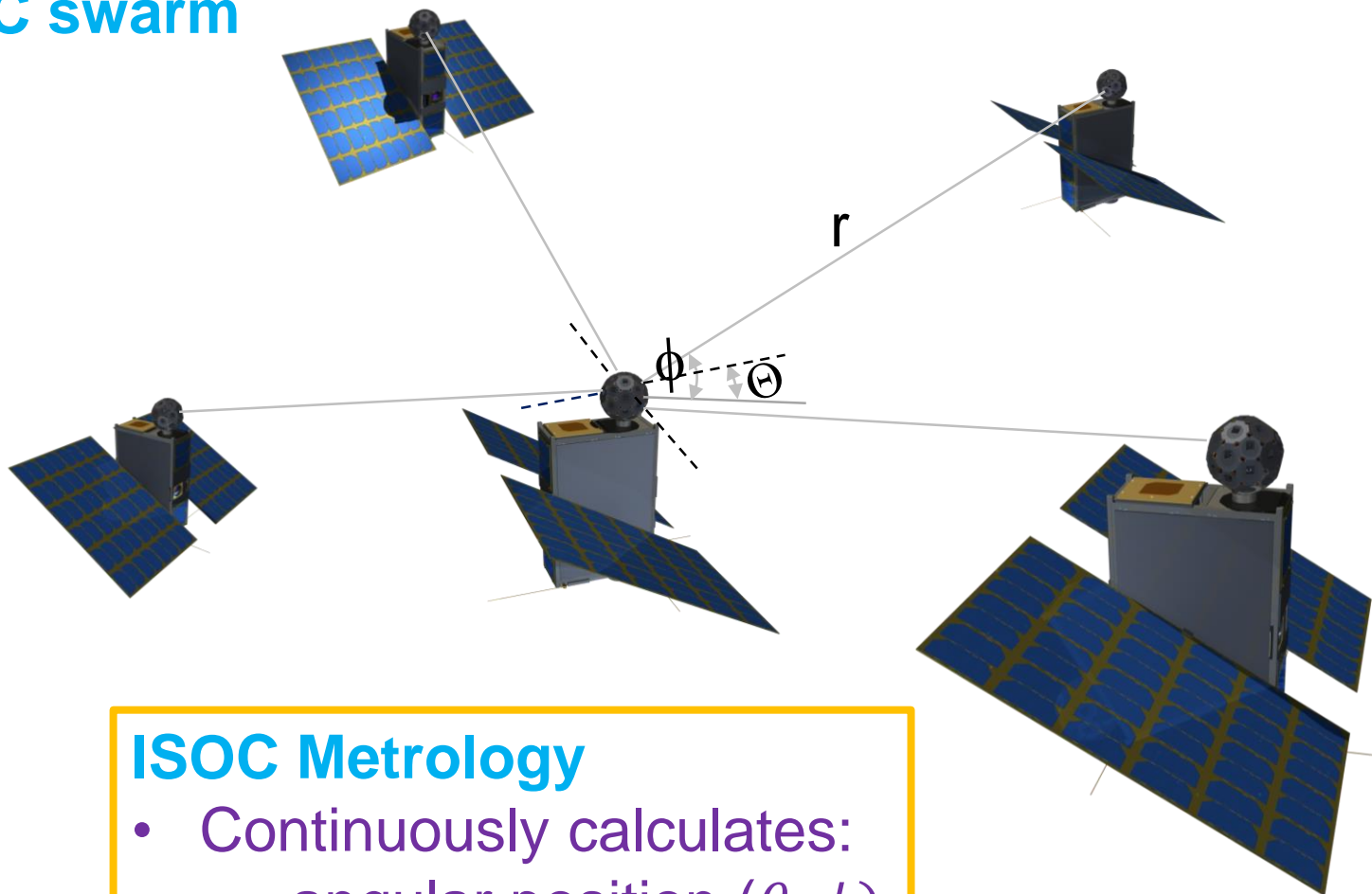
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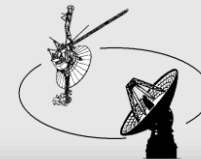
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ISOC swarm



ISOC Metrology

- Continuously calculates:
 - angular position (θ, ϕ)
 - distance (r)



4. Conclusions

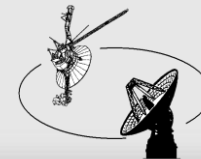
- A novel Omnidirectional Optical Communicator has been presented
- We presented design considerations and preliminary results of the ISOC testing
- We also discussed Q4 - a technology demonstration mission for the ISOC
- The ISOC is a potential enabler for future swarm and constellation missions



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