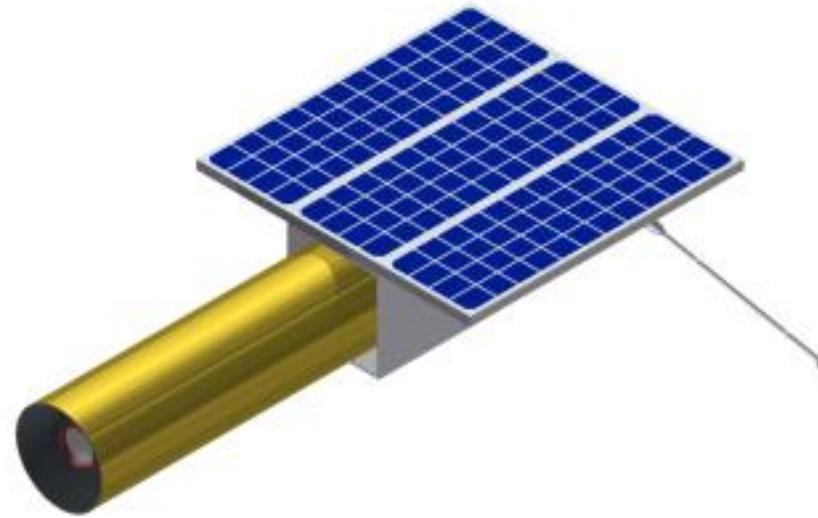


Newton Small Space Telescope



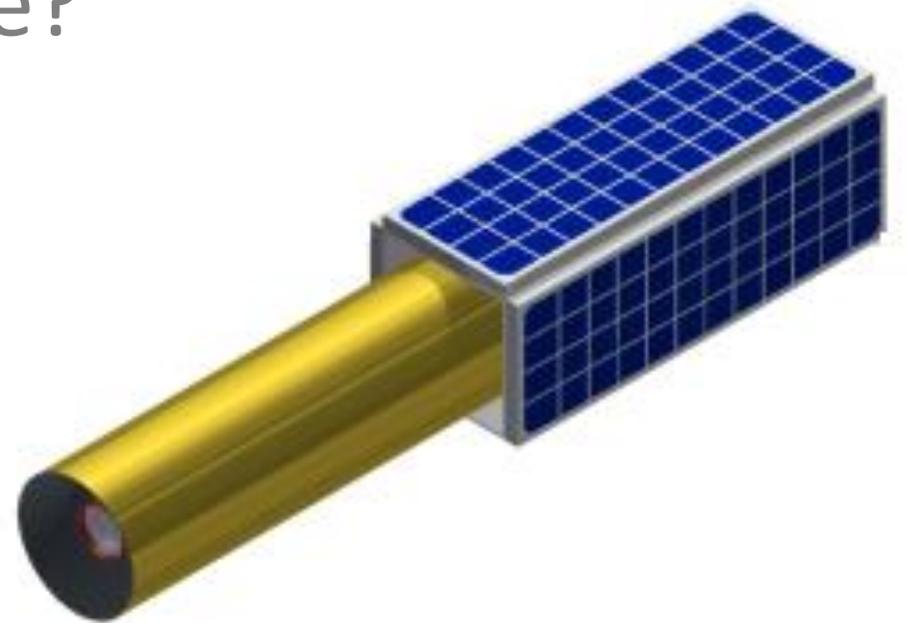
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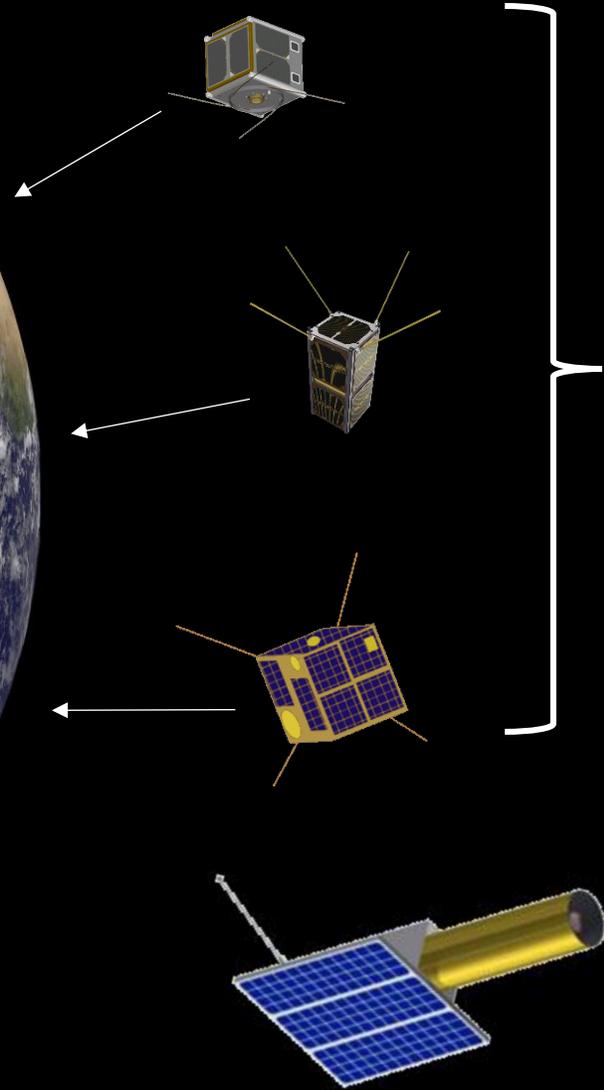
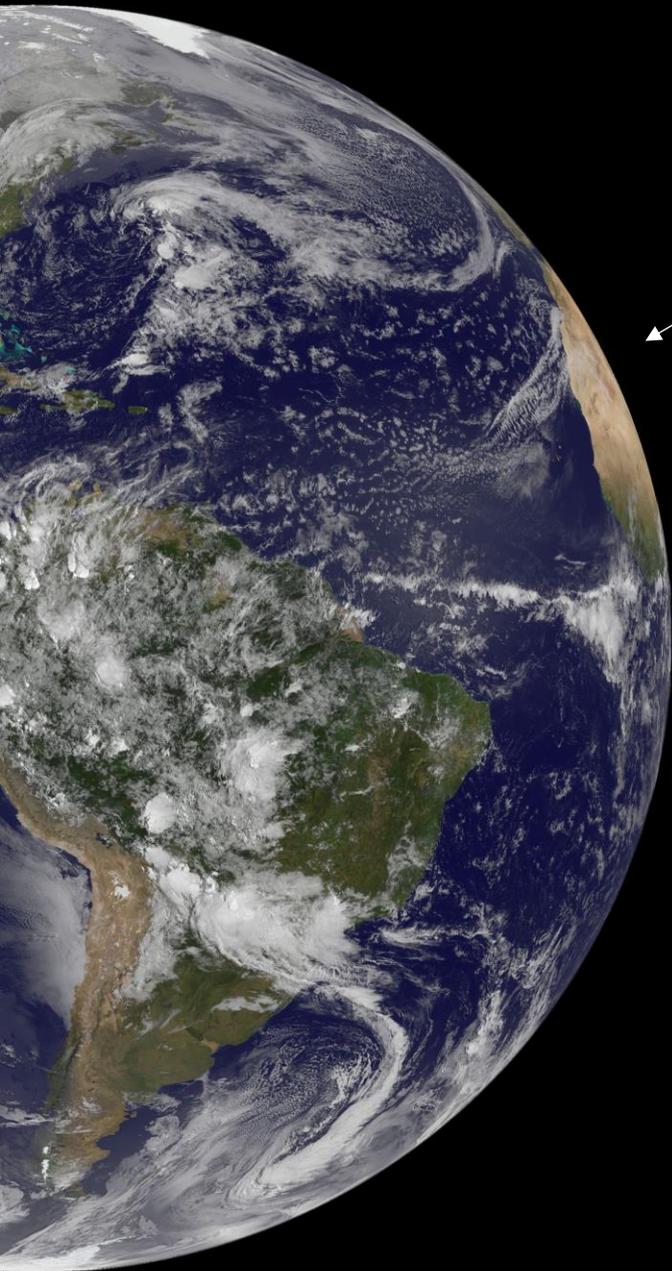
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- Changing the focus
- Why a amateur space telescope?
- Project componentes
- Project evolution
- Technical risk analyses



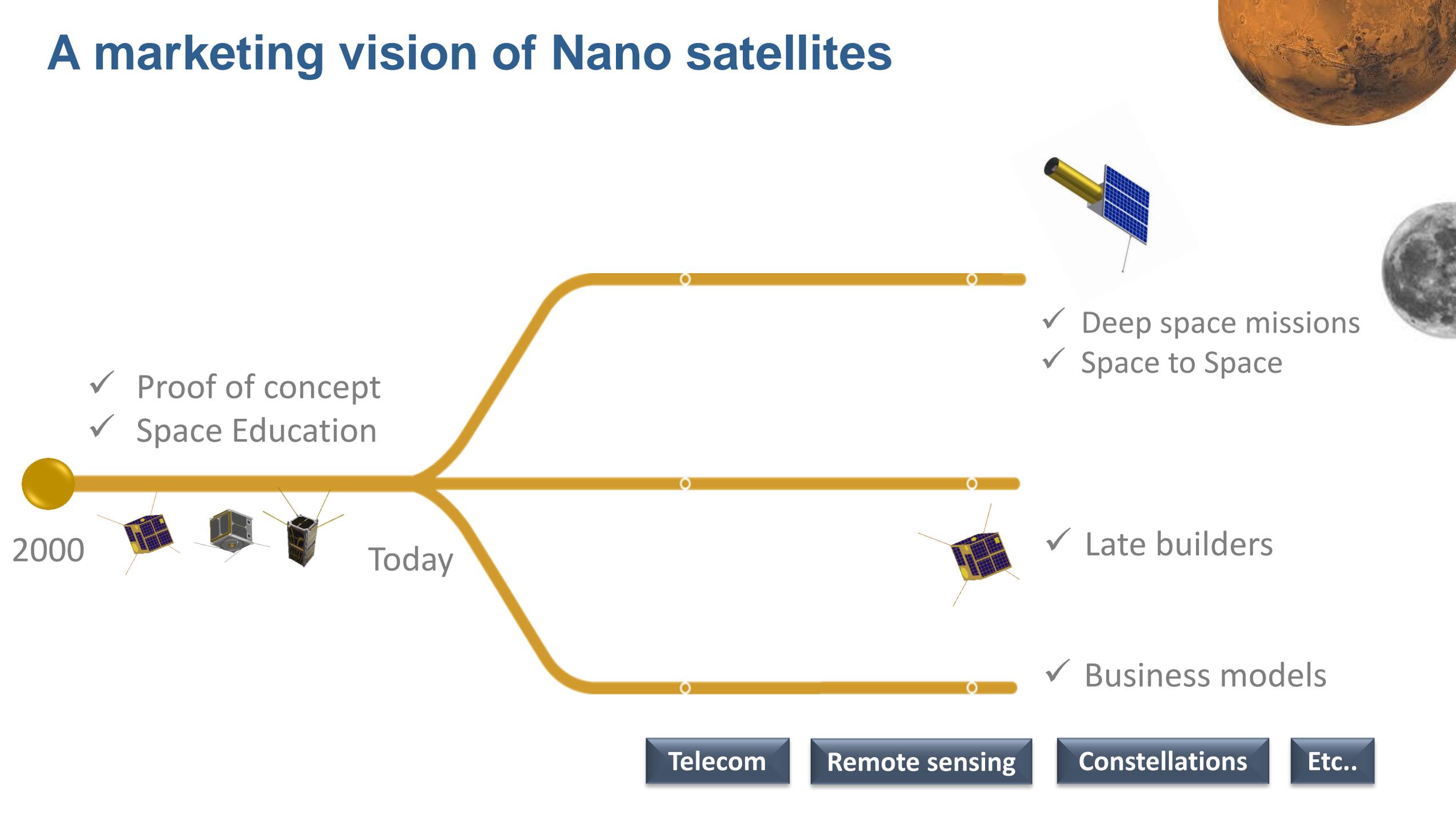
Changing the focus



Space to Earth
Traditional focus of small
satellite programs

Space to Space
A new frontier for small satellites

A marketing vision of Nano satellites



Why an amateur space telescope?

- Thousands of amateur astronomers in the world.
- They use limited tools as small telescopes and binoculars.
- More than 30 amateurs astronomers associations in major countries of the world.



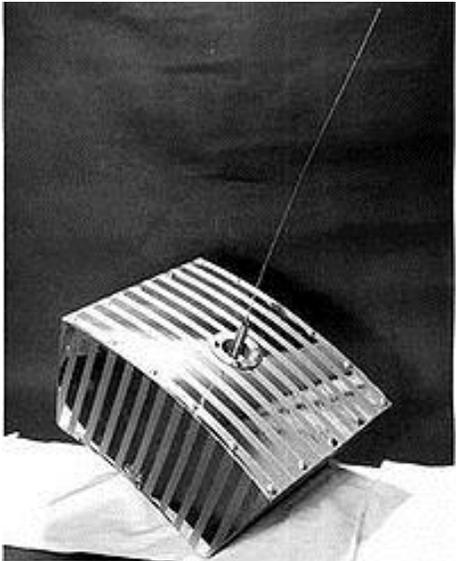
Why an amateur space telescope?

Some exponents amateur astronomers

- George Alcock, **discovered several comets** and novae.
- Robert Burnham, Jr. author of **the Celestial Handbook**.
- Robert Owen Evans: record for **visual discoveries of supernovae**.
- David H. Levy: Discovered or co-discovered **22 comets**.
- Tim Puckett: Discovery over **200 supernovae** since 1998.

OSCAR Program, a benchmarking

- A community of engaged users (Radio Amateurs)
- Simple and creative technical solutions.
- Divided project in gradual steps (Phases).

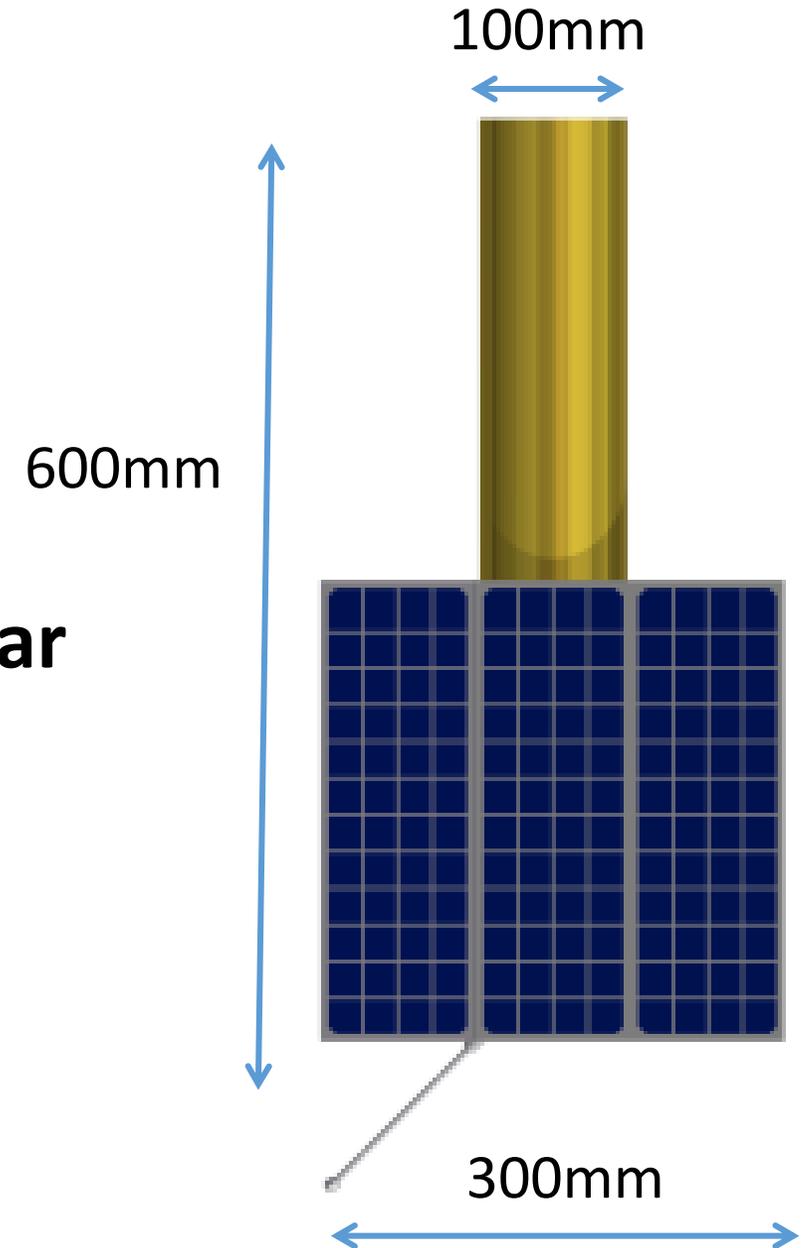


OSCAR 1 (1961)

Success, more than 70 OSCAR satellites launched in 54 years.

Newton Spacecraft overview

- **6U CubeSat structure**
- **COTS Design**
- **3 axes, based in reaction wheel and star tracker technology.**
- **95mm optical telescope**



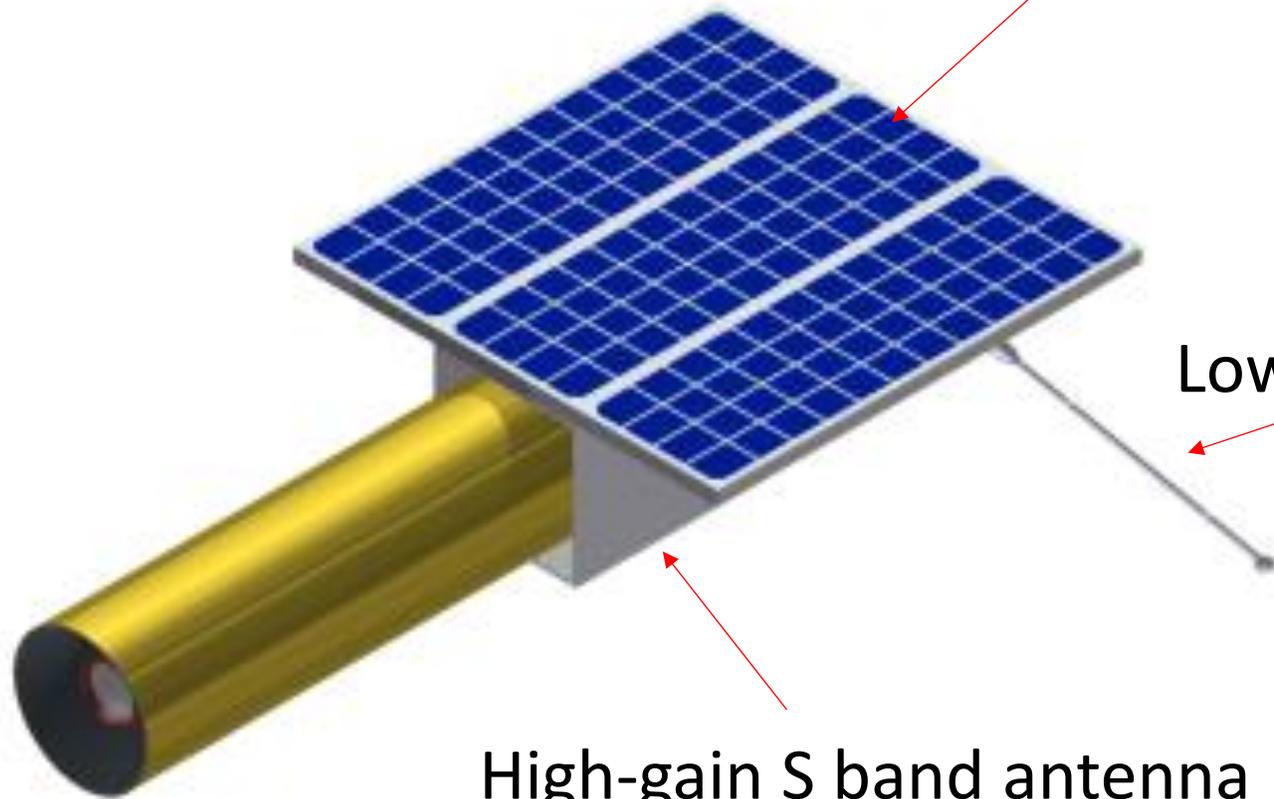
Newton Spacecraft overview

95mm telescope
300 mm focal length
200X magnification

Solar panels
900 cm²
22,7 W.h (peak)

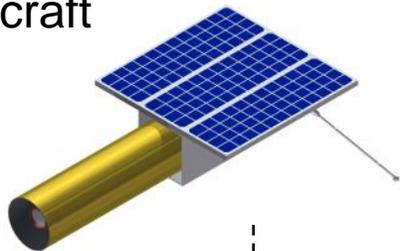
Low-gain UHF antenna
1.5 kbps up/downlink

High-gain S band antenna
375 kbps downlink



Project components

Spacecraft



Ground Station



IT Infraestructure



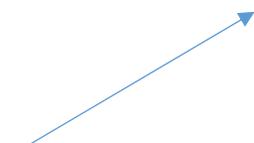
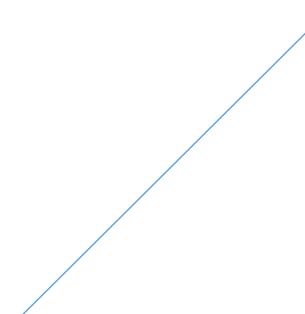
Users



Technological committee



Scientific committee

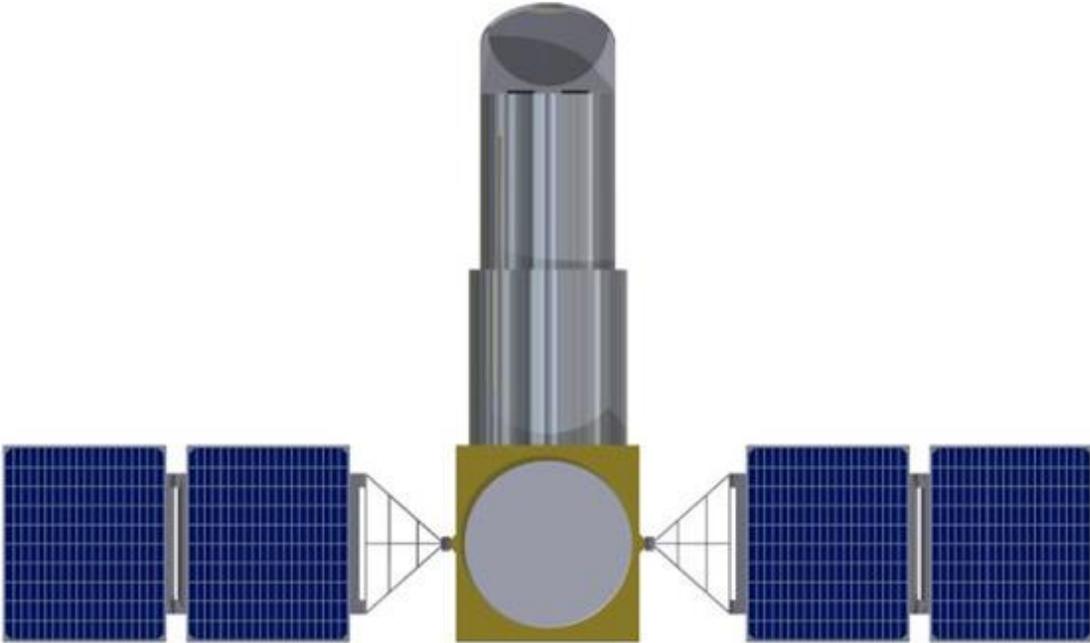
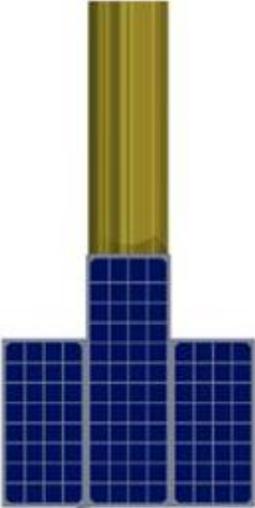


Program evolution

95mm

220mm

500 mm ← Mirror diameter



< 6kg

< 25kg

< 65kg

Phase I

Phase II

Phase III

Program evolution

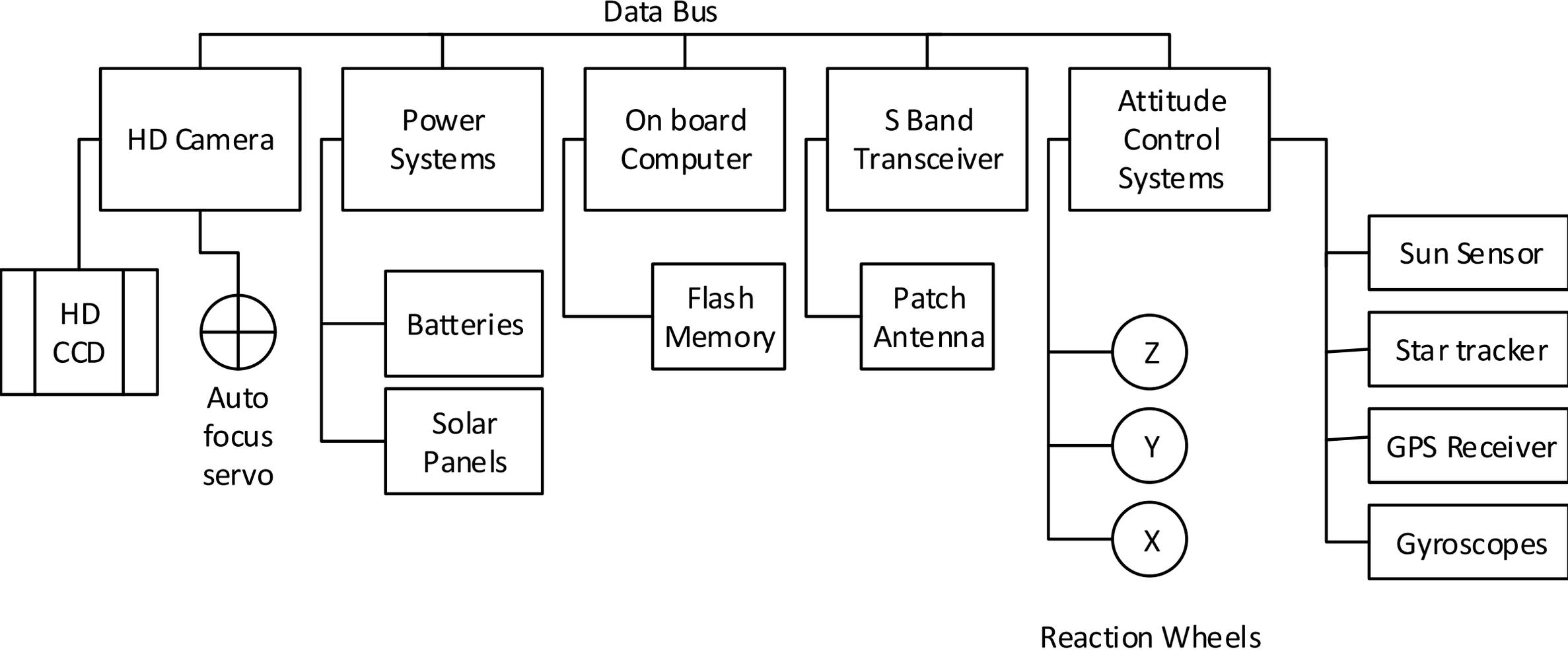
- The first step will have the duty to perform the mission and rise the interest and the contributors to the project
- Using a standard for the first mission is very important: in this case 6U cubesat
- 6U cubesat it is a good starting solution: lower development costs and increase the possibility of launch.

Program evolution

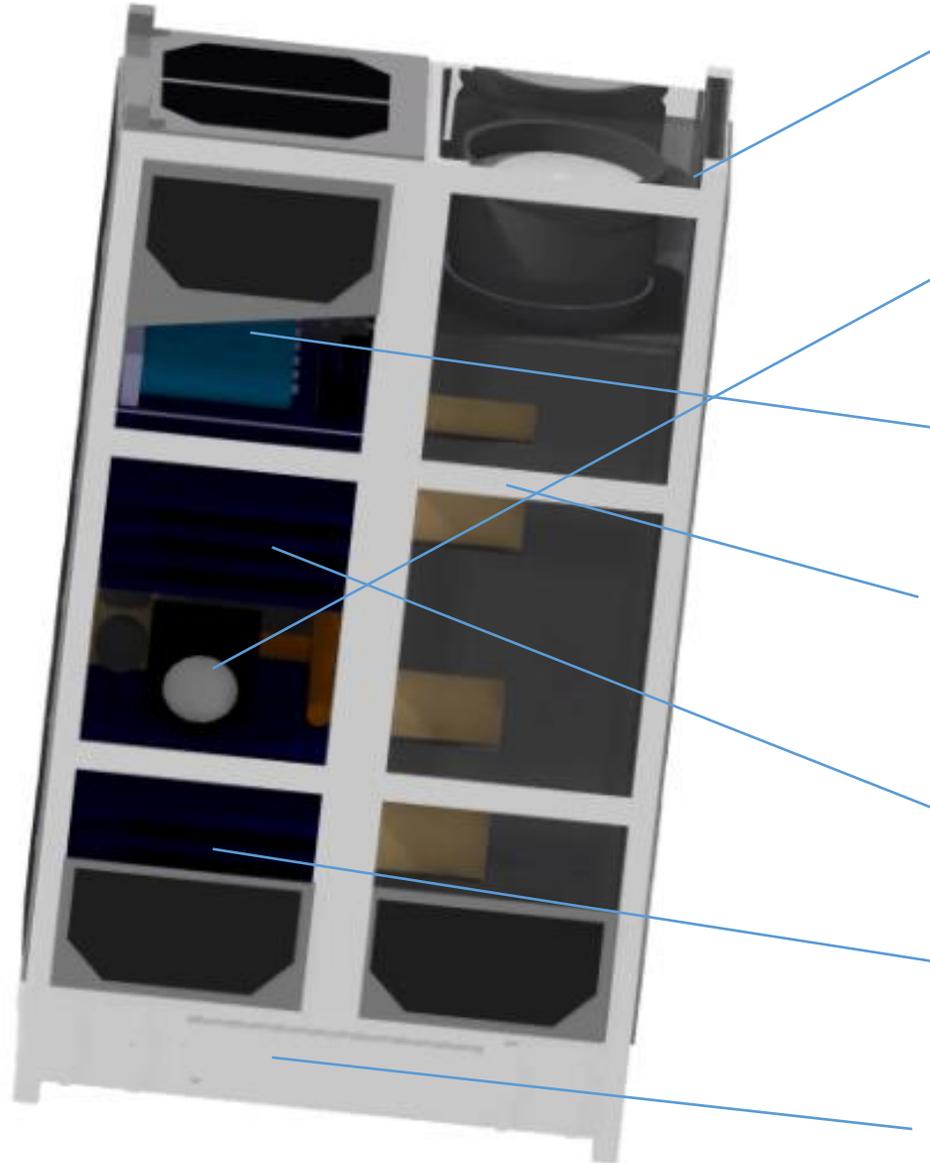
PRINCIPAL REQUIRMENTS FOR THE FEASIBILITY MISSION

- The system shall provide image from space (100% mission complete)
- The system shall provide information about the pointing attitude in order to determinate what is looking
- The system shall stabilize its attitude
- The system shall transmit image to the ground
- The system shall respect the IADC guidelines on space debris

Newton Spacecraft overview



Space Segment Description



6U Structure

ADCS (Magnetorquer and momentum wheels
star tracker)

Power System (solar panel and battery)

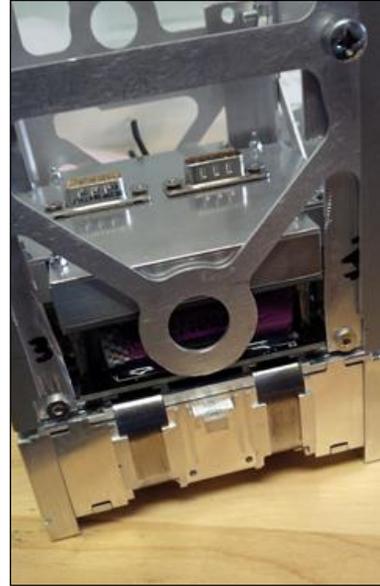
Extension System for the optics (thermal
cutter and spring)

On Board Computer

Data Link (Down link)

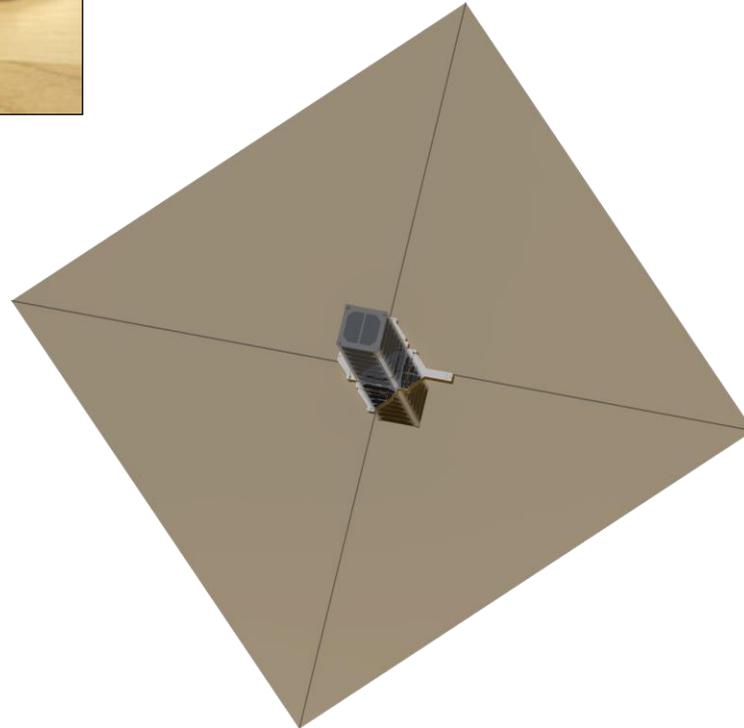
De-orbiting system

Space Segment Description

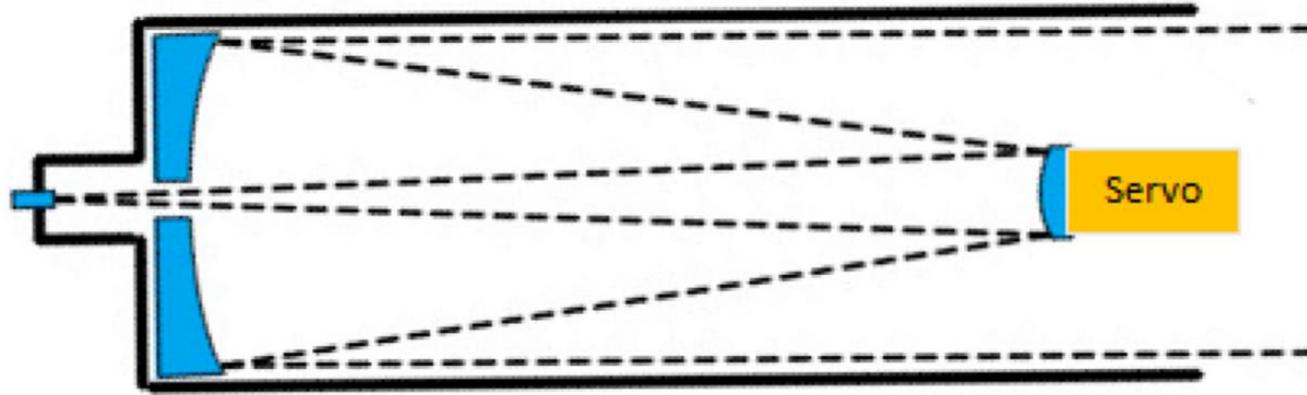


Deorbiting System ARTICA:

- Plug and Plat Philosophy
- Stand alone philosophy (not depend from satellite)
- Easy Integration



Space Segment Description



Telescope:

-95 mm primary mirror

-300 mm focal length with 200X highest useful magnification (1.3arc*sec resolving power)

- CCD servo Aligning system, check by laser

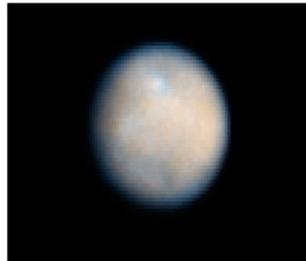
- Image fusion algorithms. This technique a sequence of photos is obtained (as a short movie) and the onboard computer selects the best framework of the photographed object



Frame 1

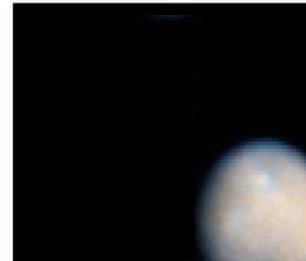


Frame 2



Frame 3

Selected

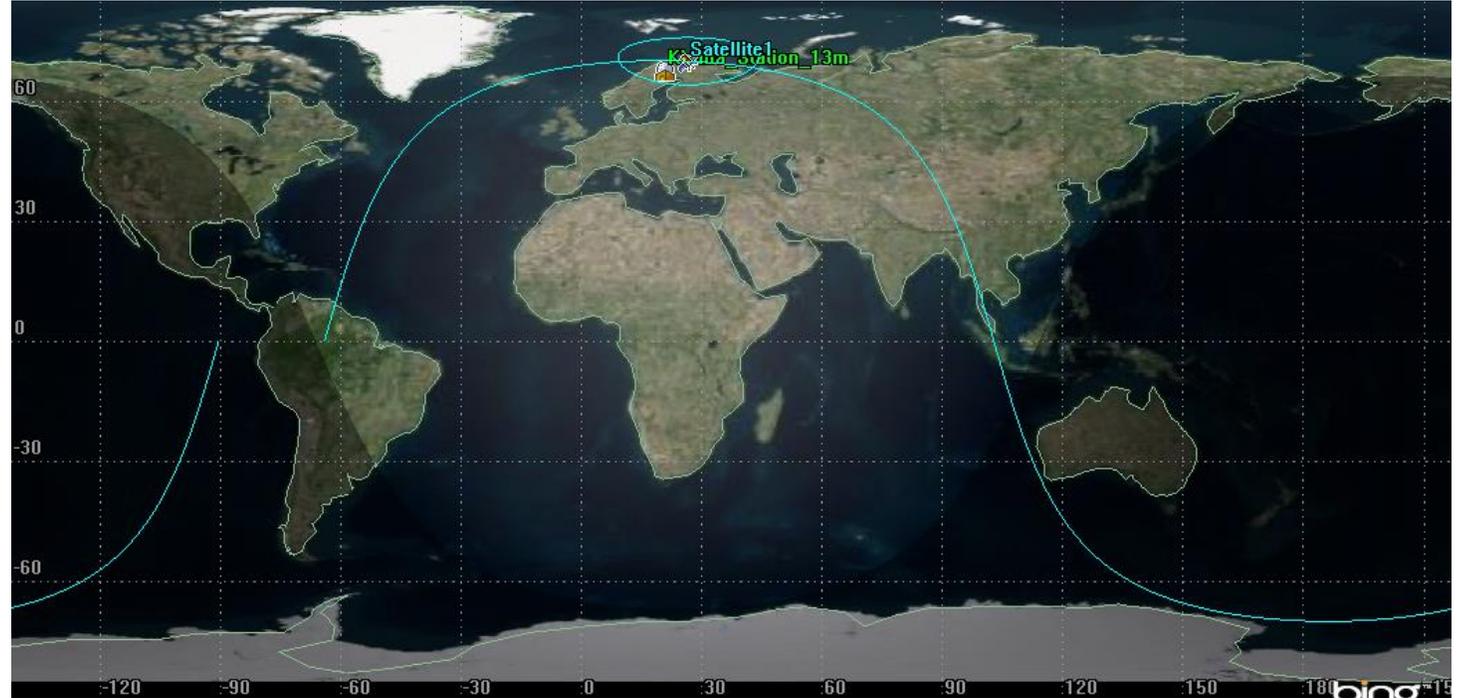
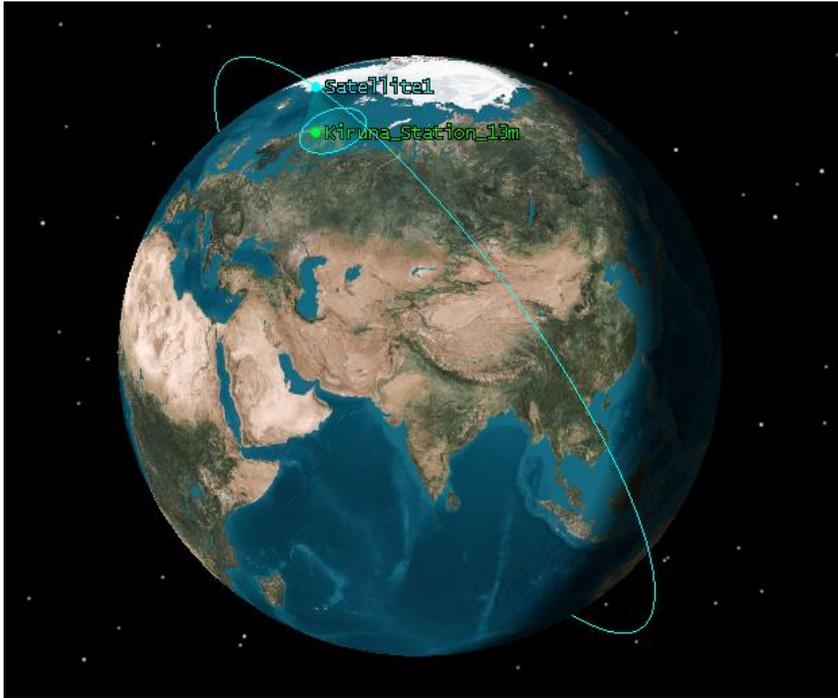


Frame 4

Space Segment Description (Rough Budgets calculation)

| SPACECRAFT (launch excluded) | | | | | |
|------------------------------|---|------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Component | Description/Function | Mass (g) | Power | Dimension | Cost |
| Structure | Aluminum | 1000 | / | 200x100x300 | 10K |
| Telescope | Primary Payload | 1500 | 1.54 W | 100x100x300 | TBC |
| ADCS | Air Coil Magnetorquer Reaction wheels, Star tracker | 2000 | <2 W 3 W | 60x60x50 mm | 50K |
| TX/RX | VHF /UHF /S-BAND | 500 | 10 W | 100x100x100mm | 20K |
| Thermal Control | Passive | / | / | - | |
| OBC | Specific design | 300 | <1 W | -100x100x100 | TBC |
| Power System | Batteries Solar panels (4 side) | 1000 | 2A@24V Battery 1A@5V | 200x200x200 mm 300x300 | TBC |
| Deorbiting Sys | Deorbiting passive sys | 500g | StandAlone | 25x200x100 | NPC suply |
| TOTAL | | < 7 Kg | | | 200k E TBC |
| POWER SYSTEM | | | | | |
| Average Power | < 2 W | | | | |
| Peak Power | < 12 W (during transmission) | | | | |
| Battery Pack | 2A@24V ca 50W peak available power | | | | |
| Solar Panels | 1A@5V | | | | |

Orbit and ground station consideration



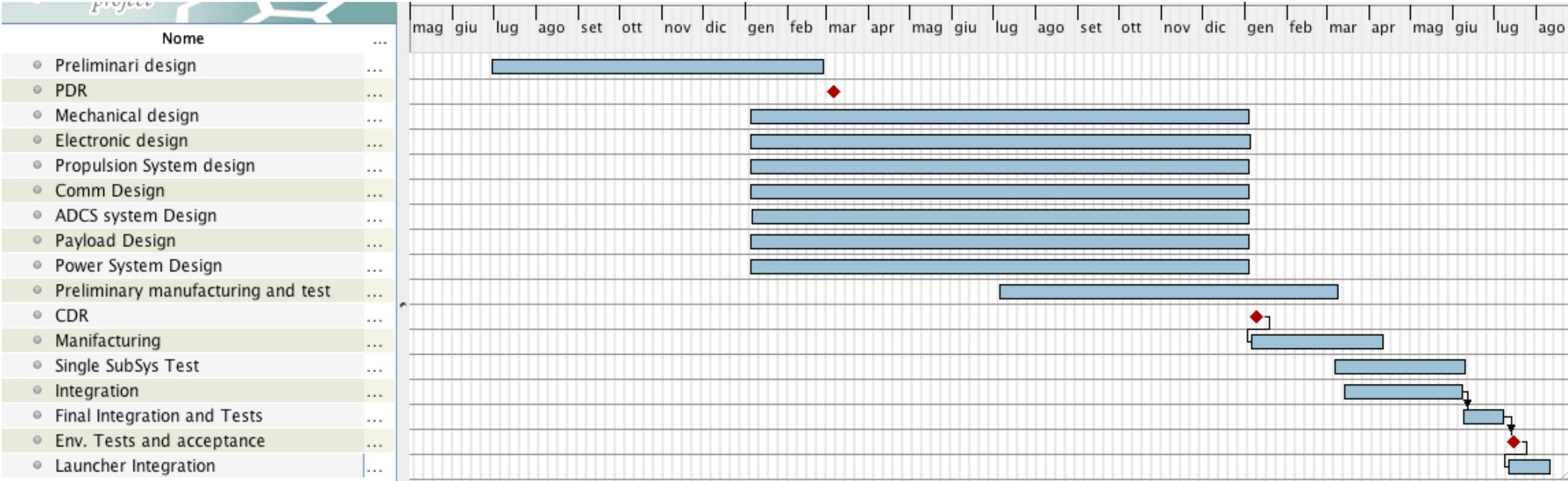
ORBIT:

- One ground station in the north (Kiruna)
- It needs to be almost 70°
- Possible download window: 4 access with average time for each of 200 sec (3,3 min)
- For each access we can expect about 1.5MB (350 kbps) (or many poor quality or less photos)
- More ground station = More photo = More quality

Risk Register

| RISK | GRADE | MITIGATION |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--|
| CCD Failure | HIGH | Space Heritage material |
| Attitude determination System Failure | MEDIUM | Space Heritage material and solar pannel information |
| Attitude Control System Failure | MEDIUM | Magneto torque Stabilizations (very long) |
| Failure transmission Image | MEDIUM | Improve Ground station number |
| Deorbiting system not deploy | LOW | Locking system have ablative failsafe redundancy |

Schedule tentative



Future steps and conclusion

FIND PARTNERS:

- Commercial Partner (even publicity partner)
- Technical Partner

FIND UTILIZATORS:

- Increase the Hype around the mission
- Increase the number of ground station (even build?)

MORE SATELLITE:

- Increase number of satellites
- Increase the dimension of the telescope

OUTREACH PROGRAMME

Thank You For Your Attention

