



The TESS Mission

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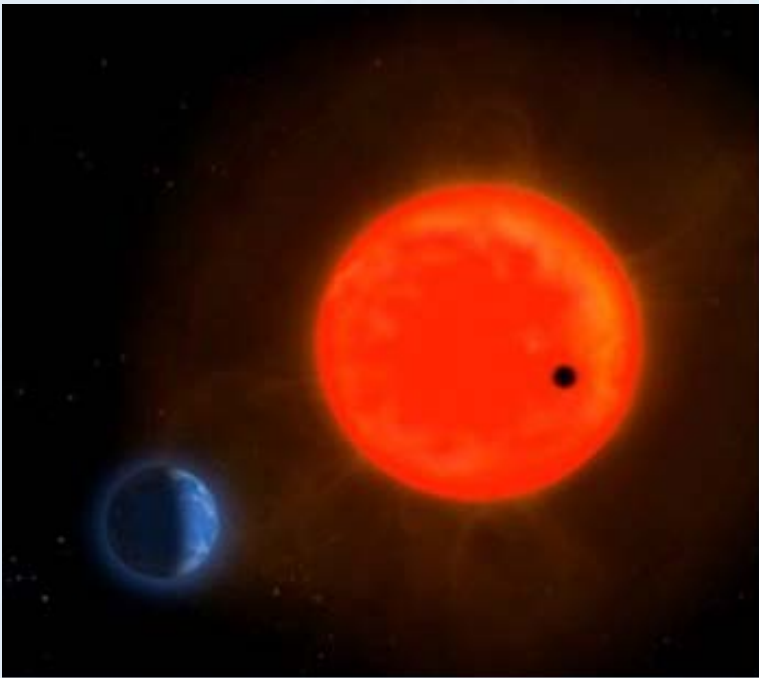
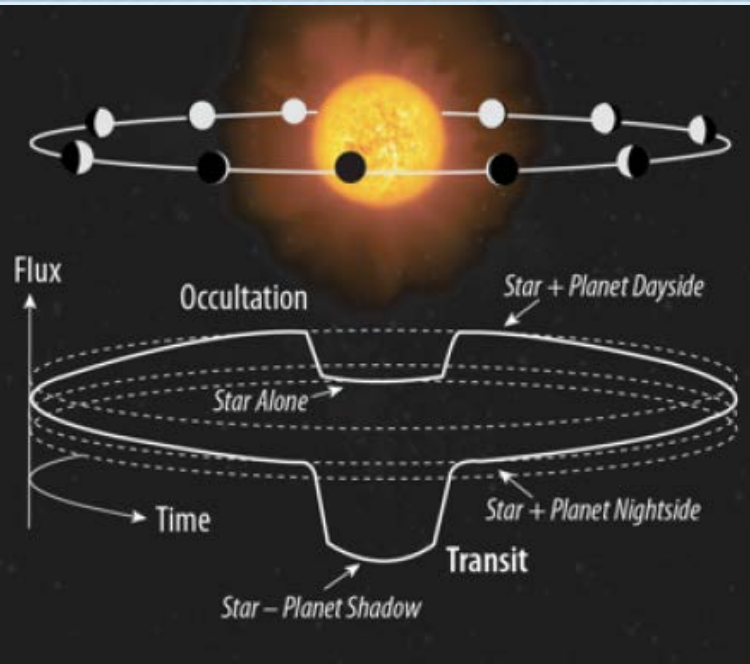
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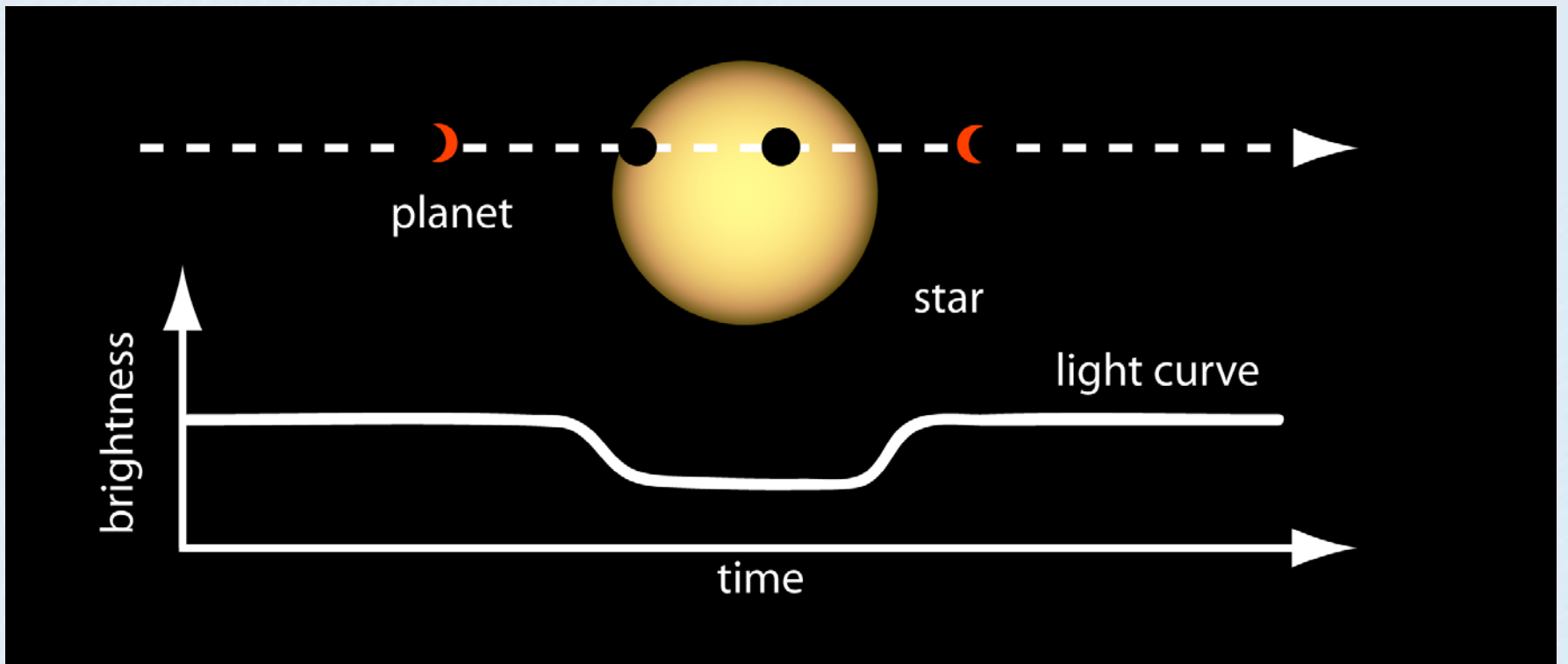
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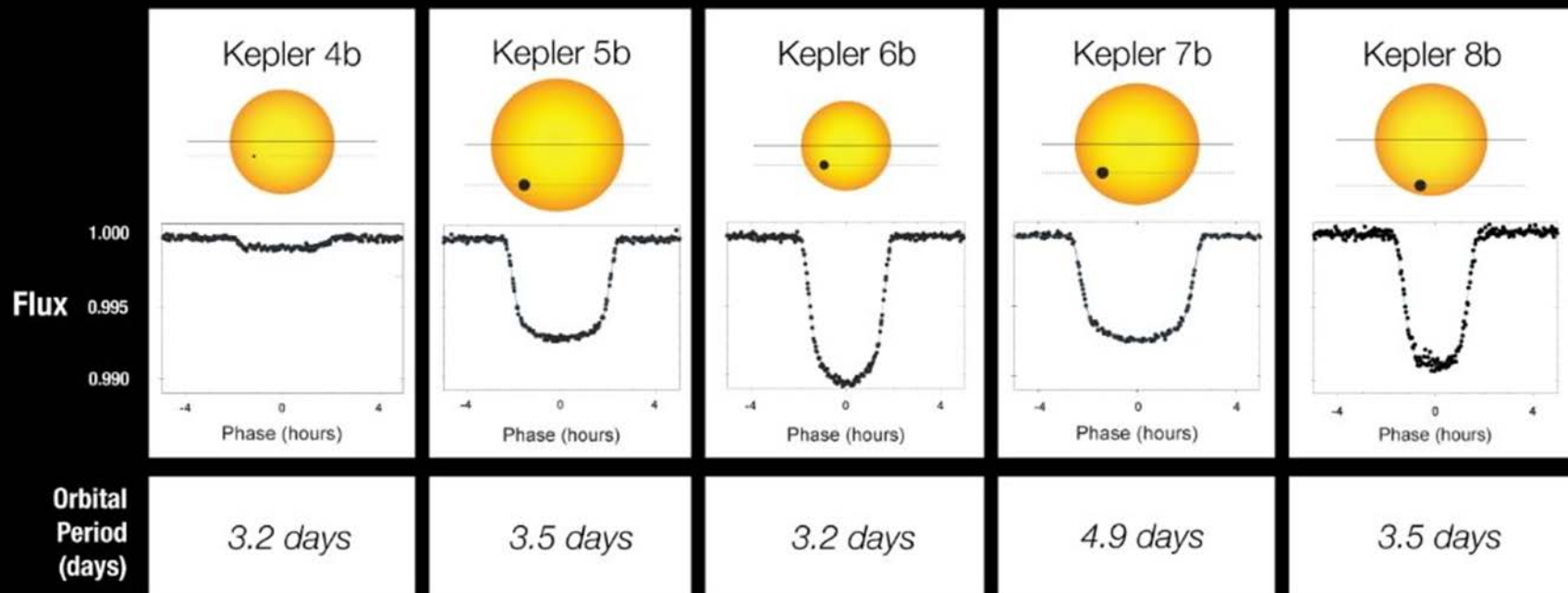
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MIT Lincoln laboratory	Optics, CCDs, and Instrument mechanical design
NASA/Goddard	Project Management, Systems Engineering, Safety & Quality
Orbital ATK	Spacecraft, integration & Mission Operations
NASA/Ames	Science data processing
Space Telescope Science Institute	Data archiving & data interface to users
Harvard- Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory	Target selection

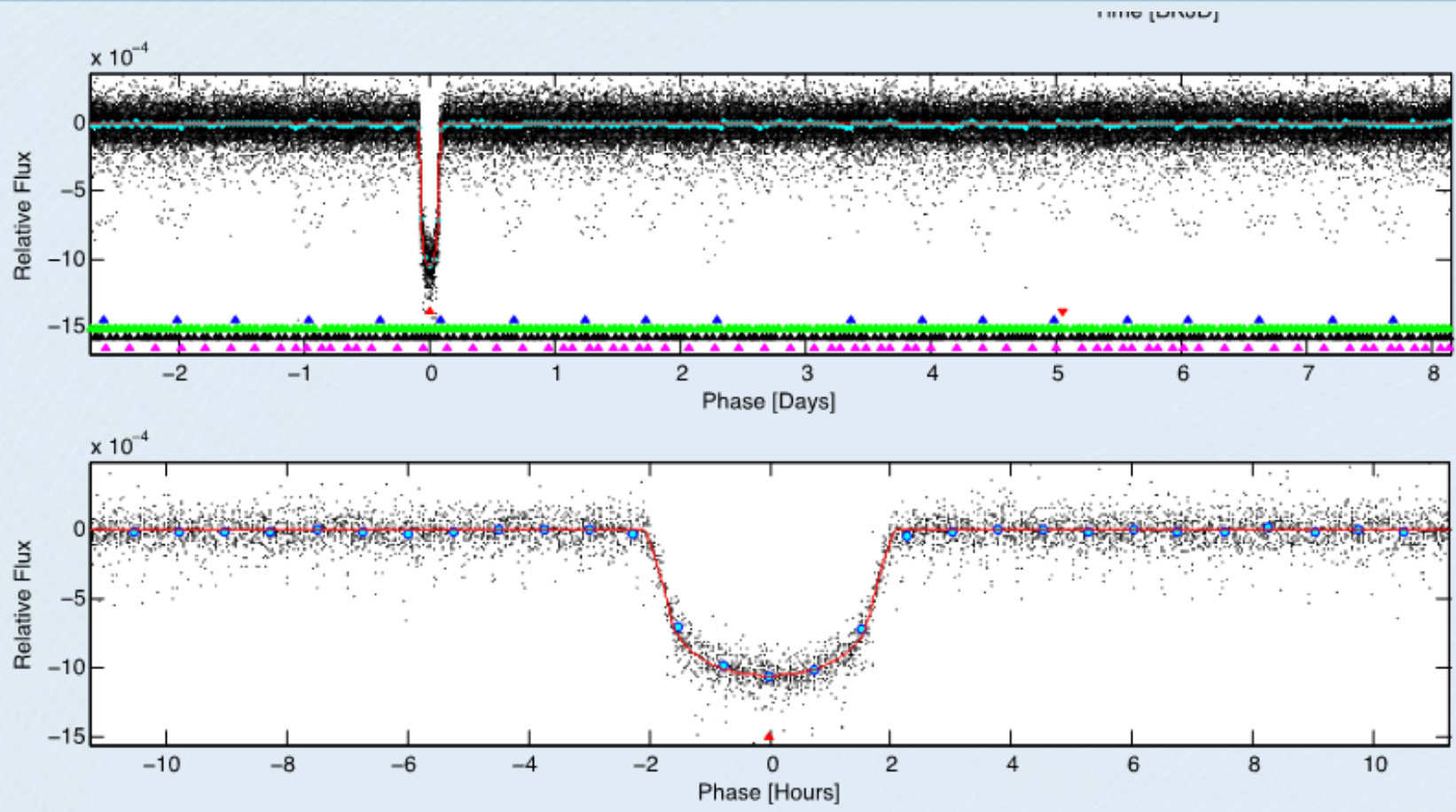




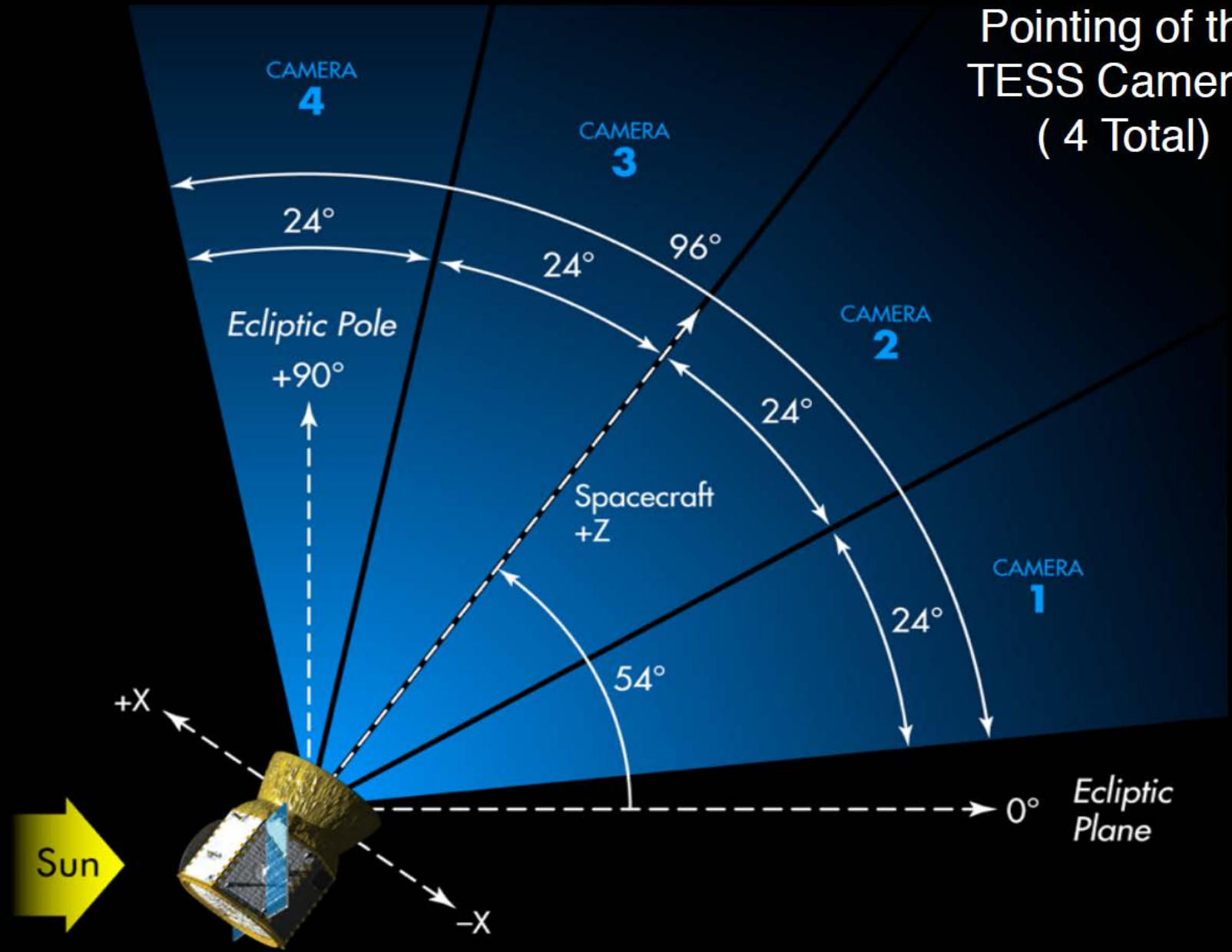


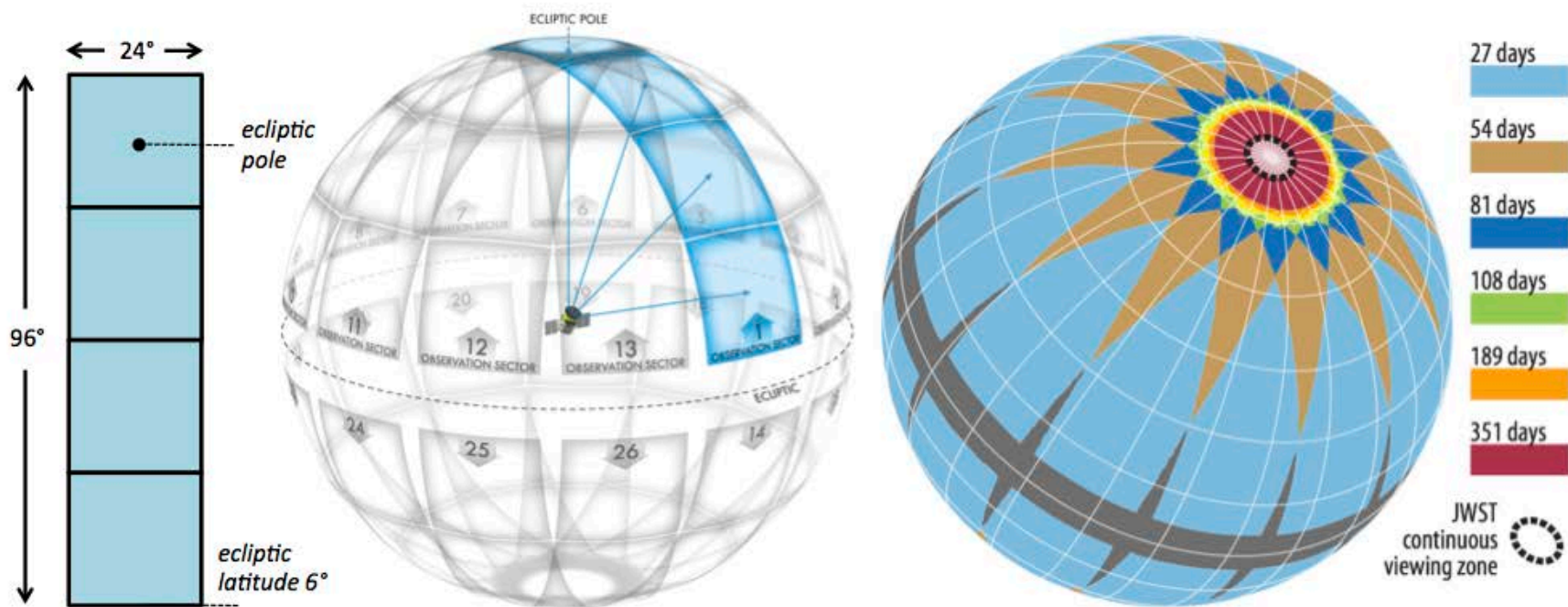
Transit Light Curves





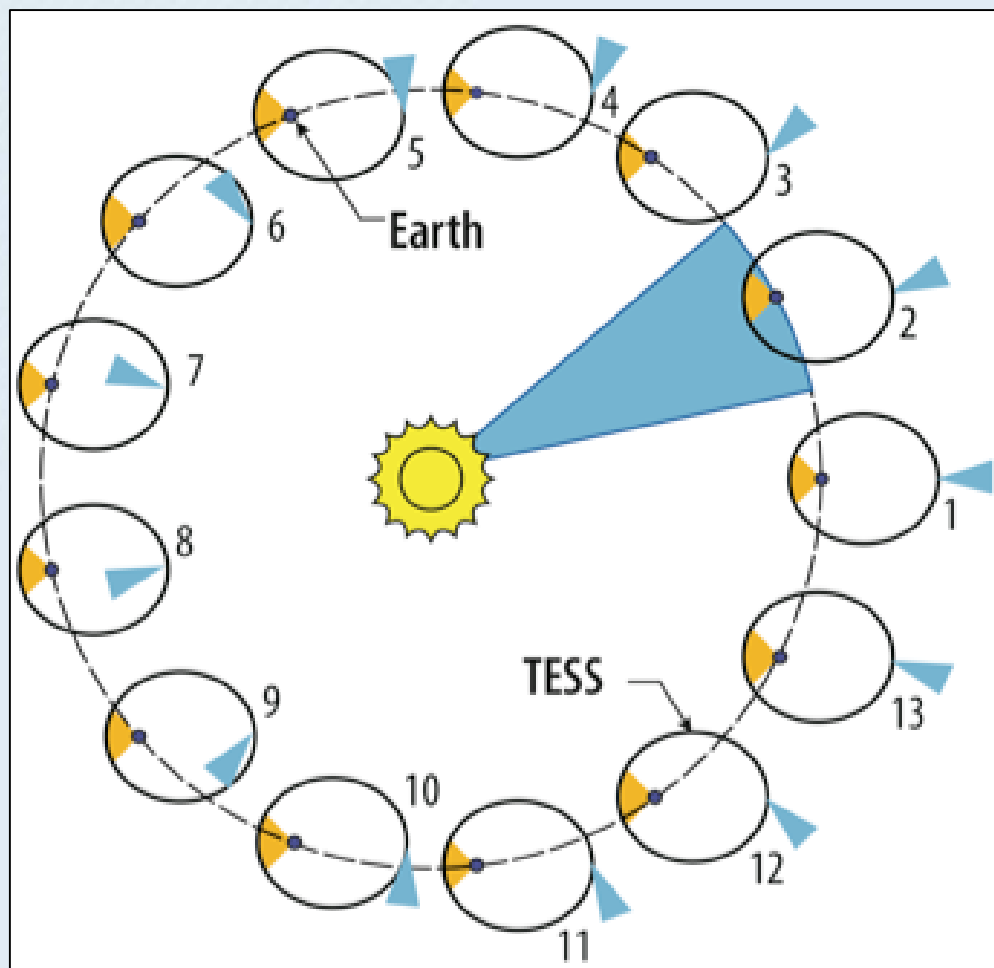
Pointing of the TESS Cameras (4 Total)





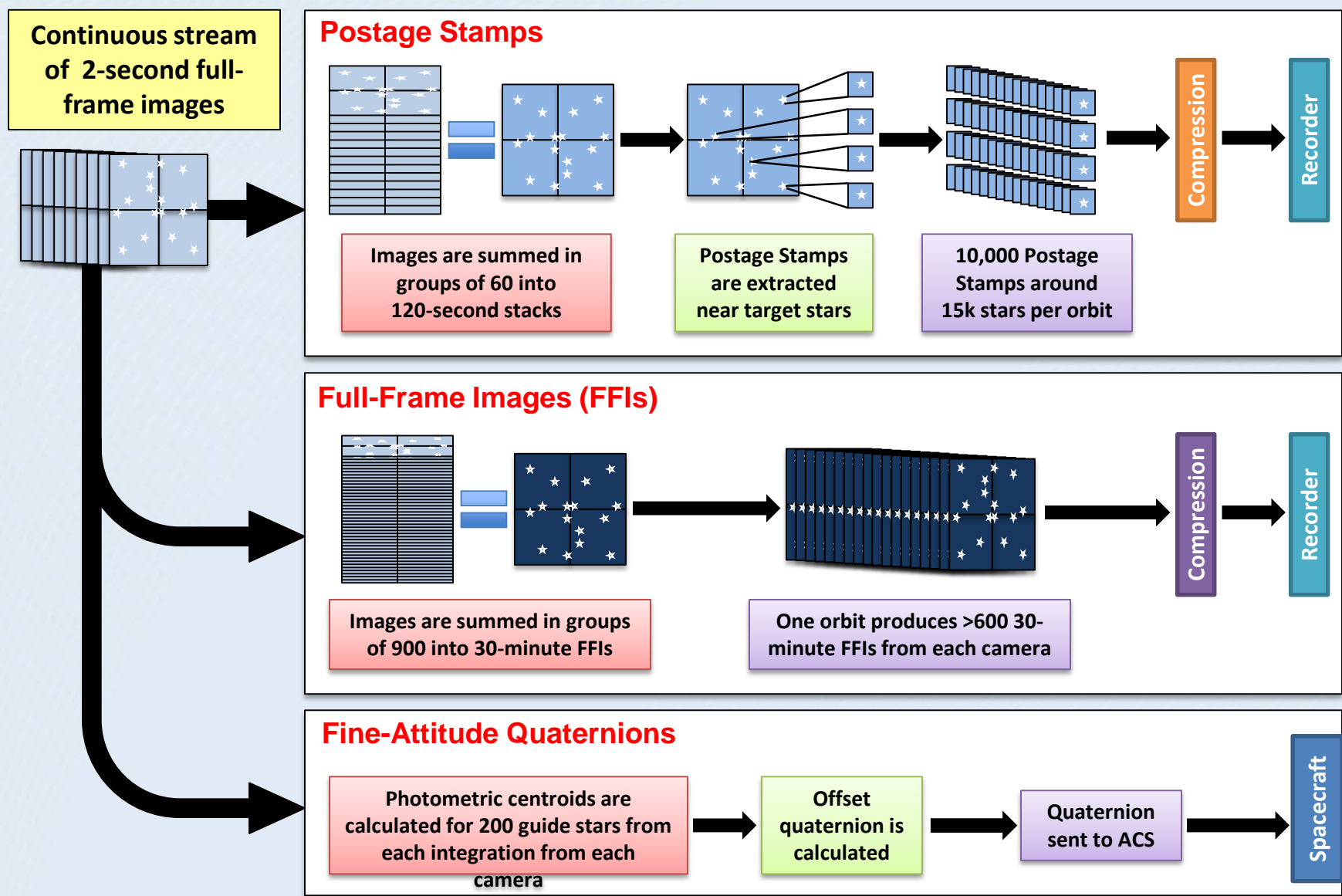
- Each sector lasts a lunar month (~28 days)
- Northern hemisphere in one year, Southern Hemisphere the next

Orbit Segments through the year



Blue segments are camera field of view
Yellow segments are downlink opportunities

Not to scale!



Objective	Baseline Science Requirement
Objective 1: <i>Identify a diverse sample of transiting exoplanets with radii less than 2.5 Earth radius and orbital periods of up to 10 days orbiting the brightest stars in the solar neighborhood</i>	BSR1: TESS shall perform a wide-field sky survey sensitive to transiting planets with orbital periods of less than 10 days. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TESS shall monitor >200,000 stars spread over the celestial sphere with radius > 2.5 Earth radius
Objective 2: <i>Identify a sample of transiting exoplanets with radii less than 2.5 Earth radius and orbital periods 120 days or more orbiting bright stars situated near the ecliptic poles, locations that are optimal for JWST followup</i>	BSR2: TESS shall perform a concurrent sky survey sensitive to transiting planets with periods of less than 120 days. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TESS shall monitor >10,000 stars in regions centered on the ecliptic poles with radius > 2.5 Earth radius
Objective 3: <i>Establish the masses of a sample of TESS-located transiting exoplanets with sizes less than 4 Earth radius by means of precise radial velocity measurements</i>	BSR3: The TESS team shall assure that the masses of 50 planet with radius less than 4 Earth radius are determined.

Light Curves from 200,000 Stars ("Postage Stamps")*



TESS

Spacecraft Data*

* Deliver to MAST in 4-6 months

DETECTION

Transit-like Signals:
~3000 Expected

LCOGT, MEarth,
Euler

Natural Seeing & AO Imaging:
~2500 Survive

Ground
Telescopes

LCOGT, Euler,
OHP, TRES

Reconnaissance
Spectroscopy:
~1700 Survive

HARPS and
HARPS-North

Select:
~100

FULL VALIDATION

~6% of Small Planet
Candidates Selected by
TESS Team for Precise
Radial Velocity Followup

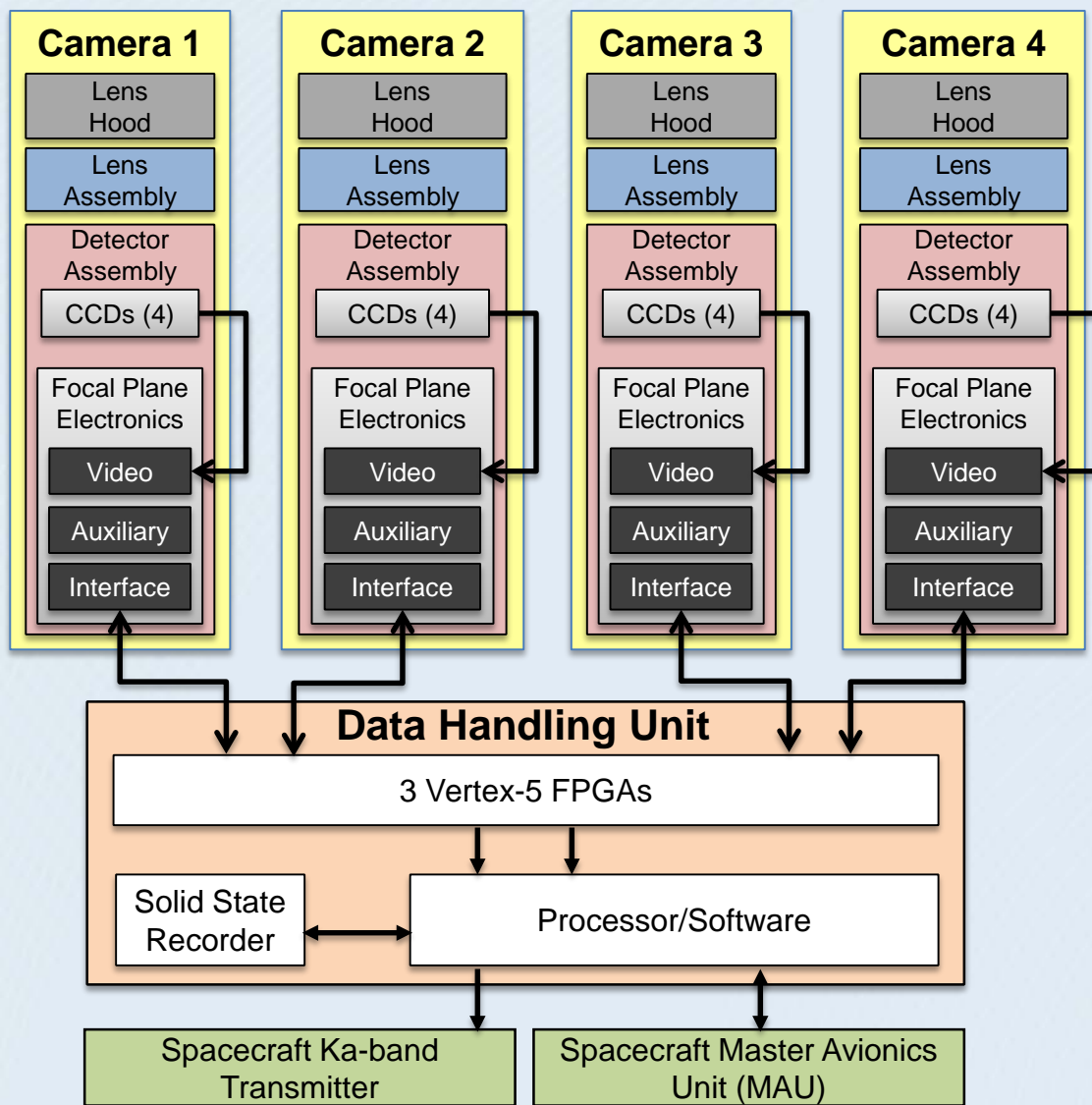
∴ ~94% of Small Planet Candidates
Available for Community PRV Followup

$R < 4 R_{\oplus}$

50

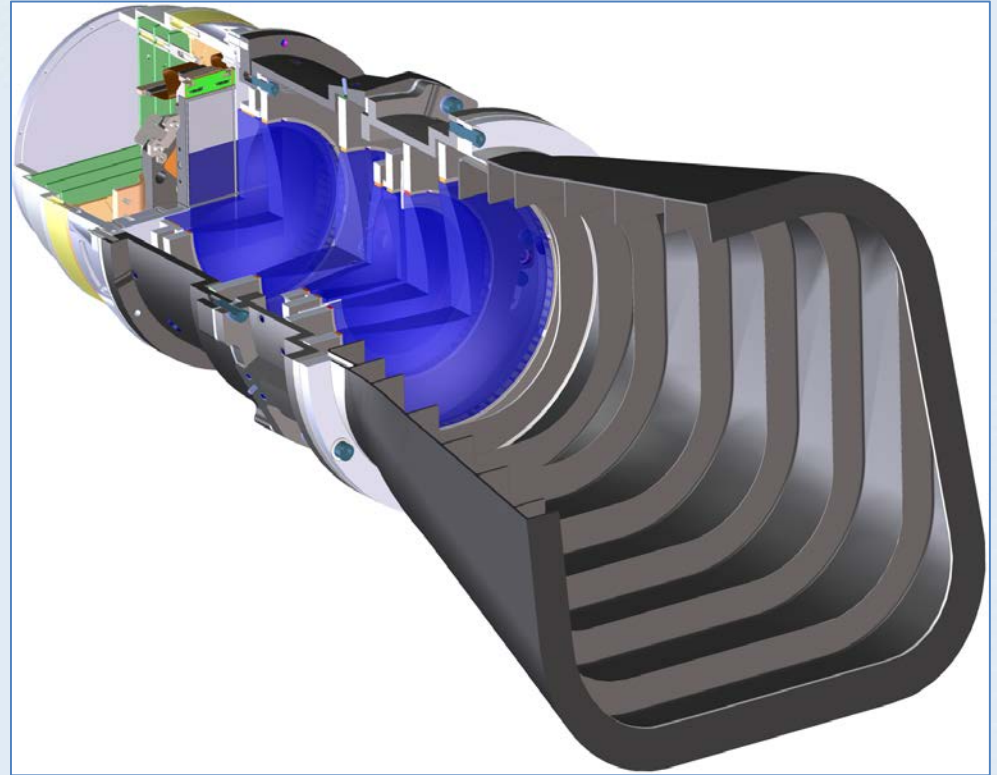
Measured
Masses

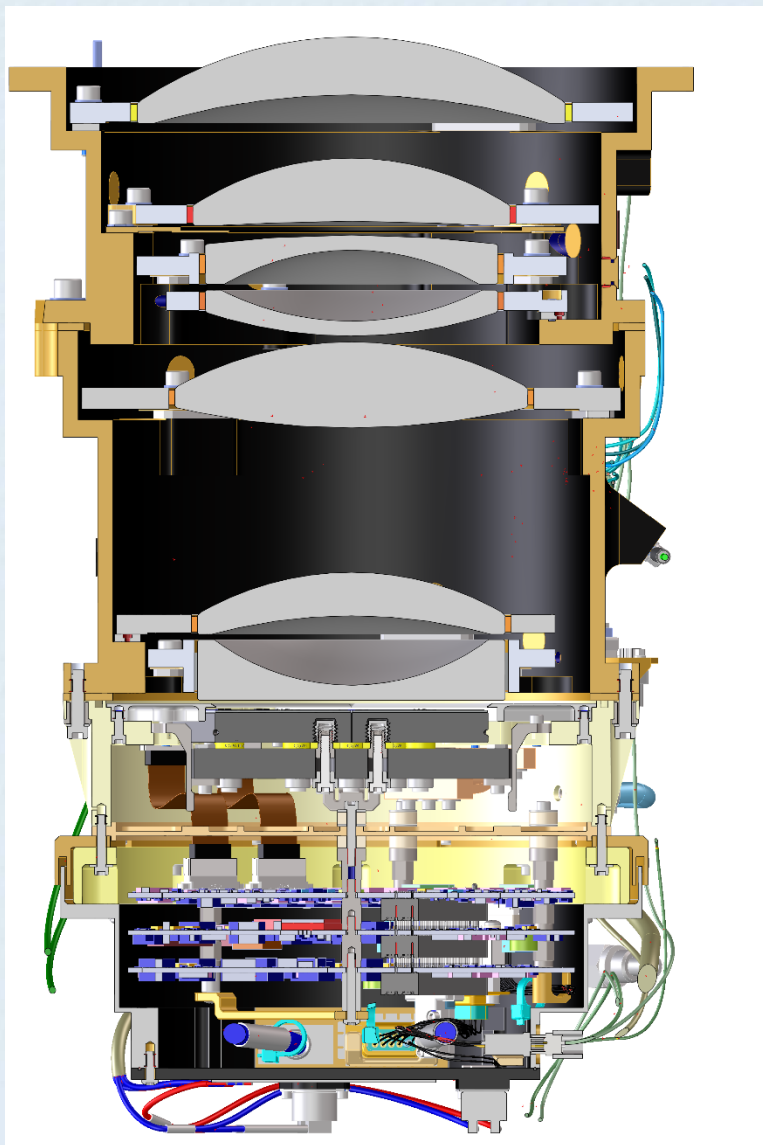
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Level 1"



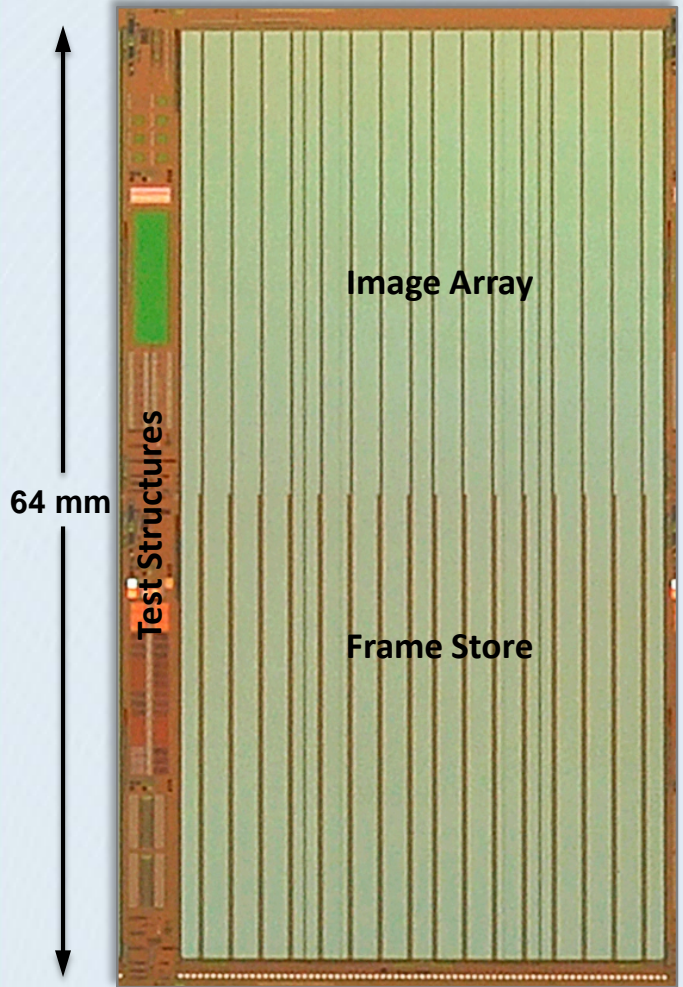


- ◆ 24° x 24° field of view
- ◆ 16.8 Megapixel CCD's per camera
- ◆ First lens ~ 105mm dia (~4 inch)
- ◆ For low noise the CCDs operate at ~-65°C
- ◆ CCDs cool through the lens hood
- ◆ So lenses run -75°C in orbit





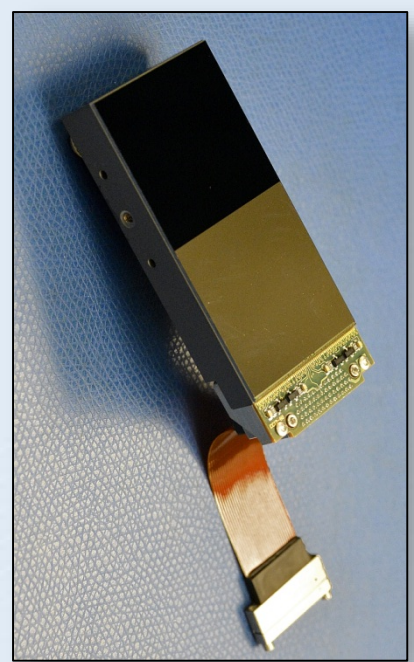
- 7 elements
- 600 nm (red) to 1000 (near infrared)
- Focal length 146 mm
- F # 1.4



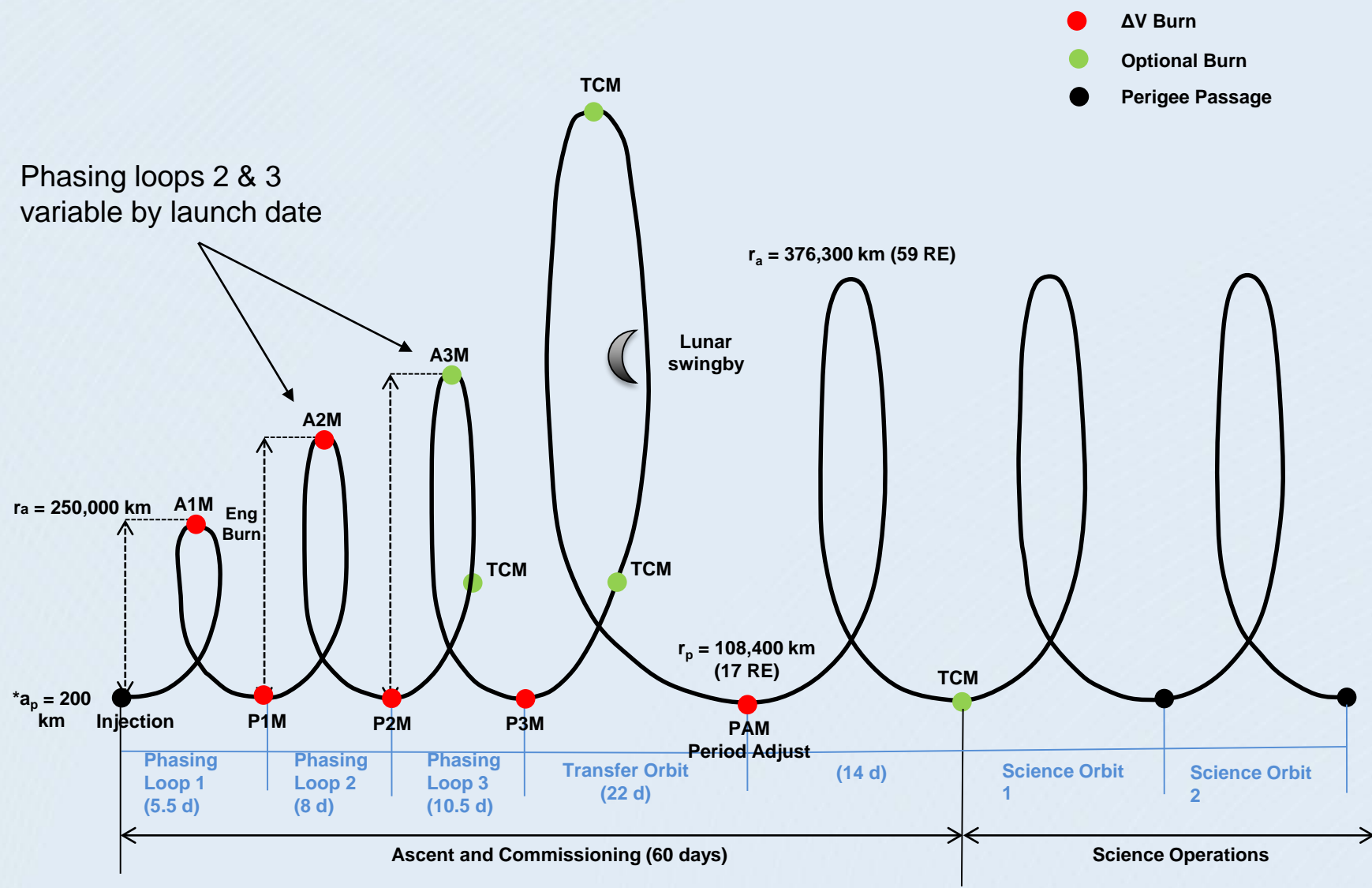
Front Illuminated Die Photo



Back Illuminated Die Photo



Packaged Part



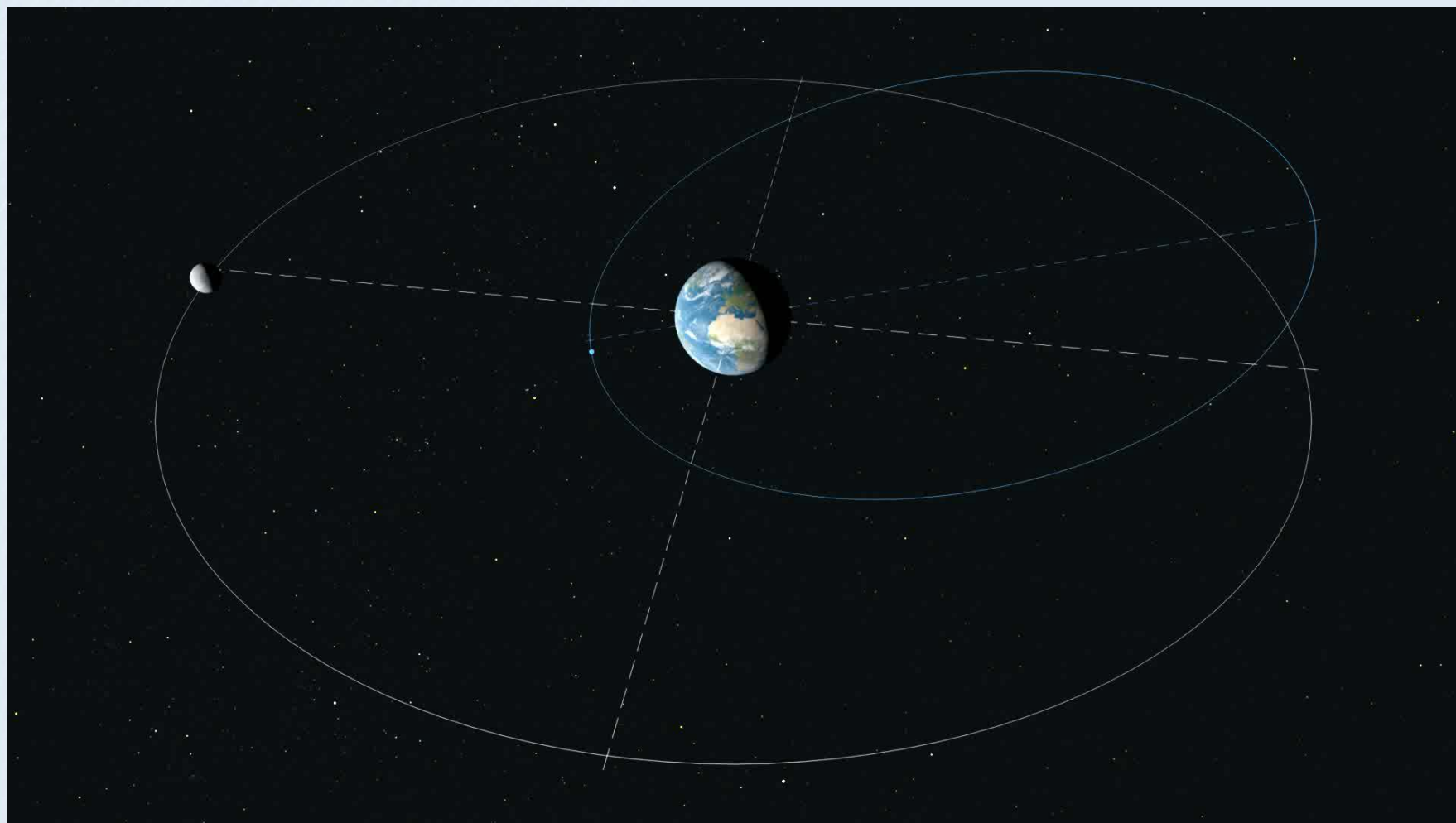


TESS Trajectory: Inertial & Rotating Frames

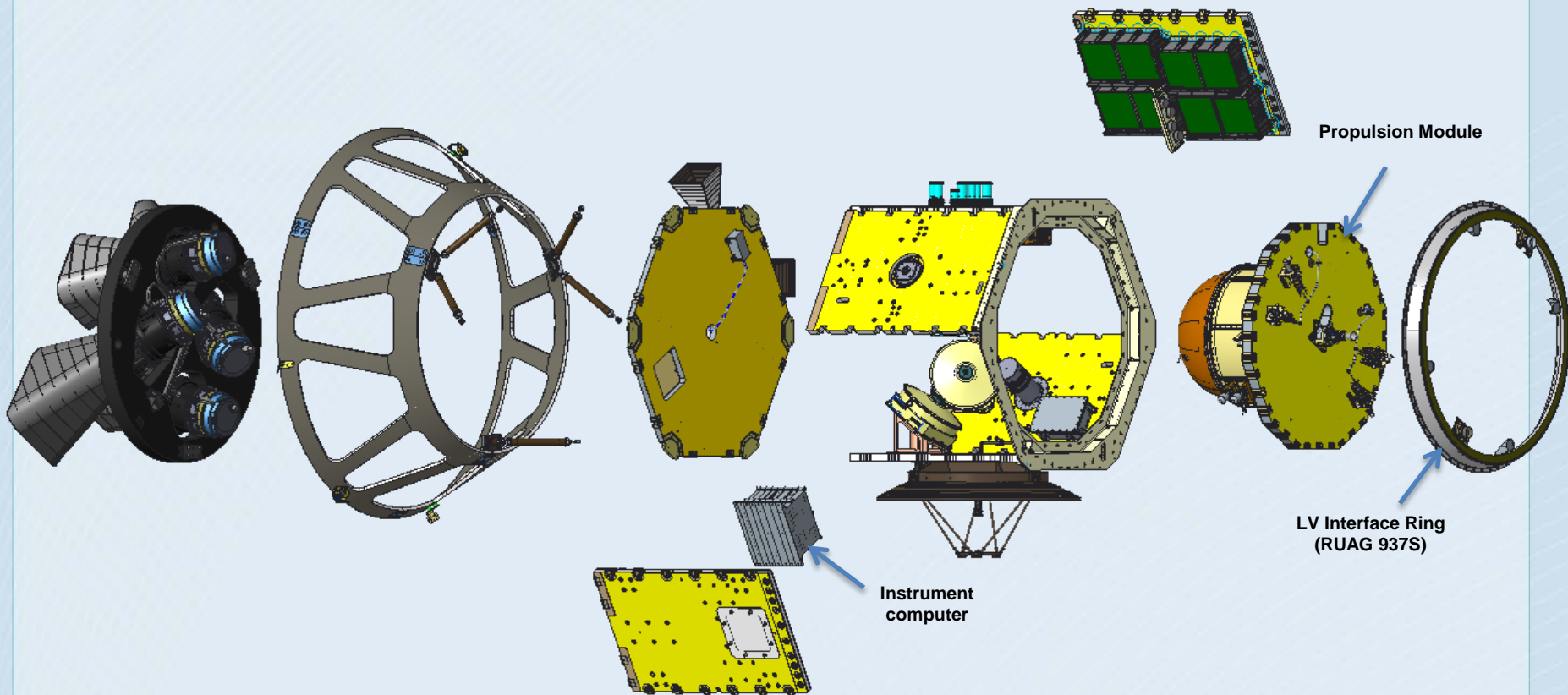
Inertial Frame

Rotating Frame



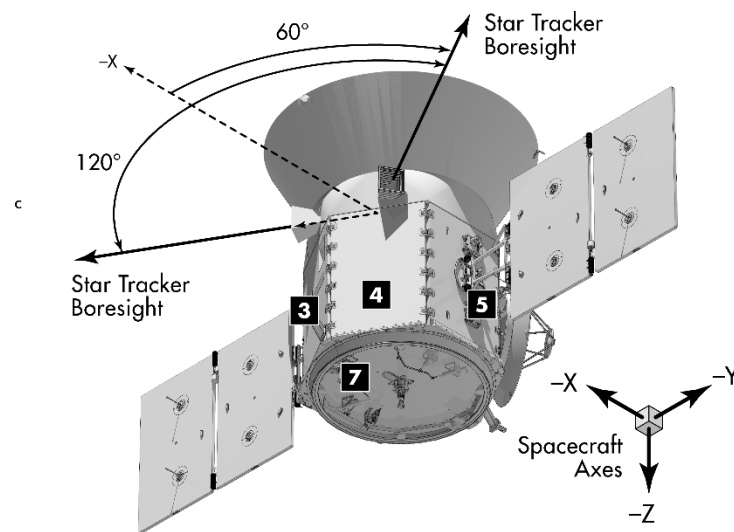
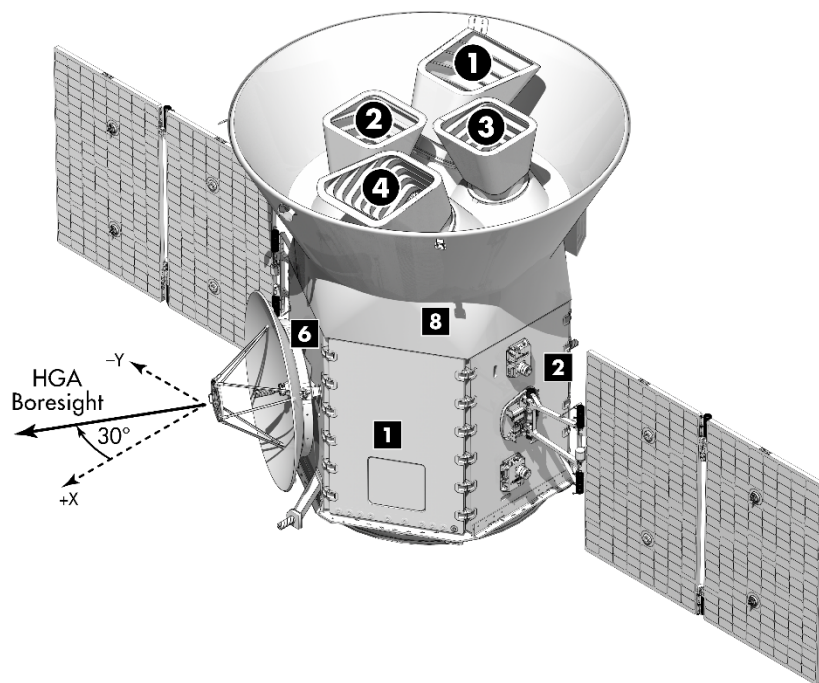


- ◆ Unobstructed visibility for long continuous viewing
 - *The Earth and Moon can get in the camera fields of view and will contaminate some of the celestial sphere*
- ◆ Very stable thermal environment
- ◆ Low Radiation environment
- ◆ Apogee is $\sim 59 R_e$ (Earth Radius), Perigee is $\sim 17 R_e$
 - *Orbit period is exactly $\frac{1}{2}$ of a lunar month*
 - *The moon pulls in one direction for one orbit and then the other direction for the second orbit --- so the average is much smaller perturbations*



Orbital ATK LEOStar-2 spacecraft modified for TESS

Spacecraft Axes



Observatory lift mass 430 kg

Hydrazine capacity = 45 kg

Solar Array capability = 500 W

Span from solar array to solar array = 4.0 m

Height from sep plane to sunshade tip = 1.57m

Pointing stability <0.06 arc-sec 3 σ over 10 minutes



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Launch Service Overview



- **Launch Service Contractor: SpaceX**
- **Launch Vehicle: Falcon 9 V1.1**
- **Launch Date: August 2017**
 - **Launch Site: Eastern Test Range**
 - **Spacecraft Mass: 430 kg**
 - **Orbit Requirements: Setup for Lunar Flyby**
 - » Apogee Radius: 254,000 km +43,000 km / -31,000 km
 - » Perigee Radius: 6,578 +/- 15 km
 - » Inclination 28.5 deg +/- 0.10 deg
- **Launch Service includes:**
 - **Enhanced fairing internal surface cleaning (level 400A)**
 - **RUAG 937S Separation System**
 - **Load isolation system**





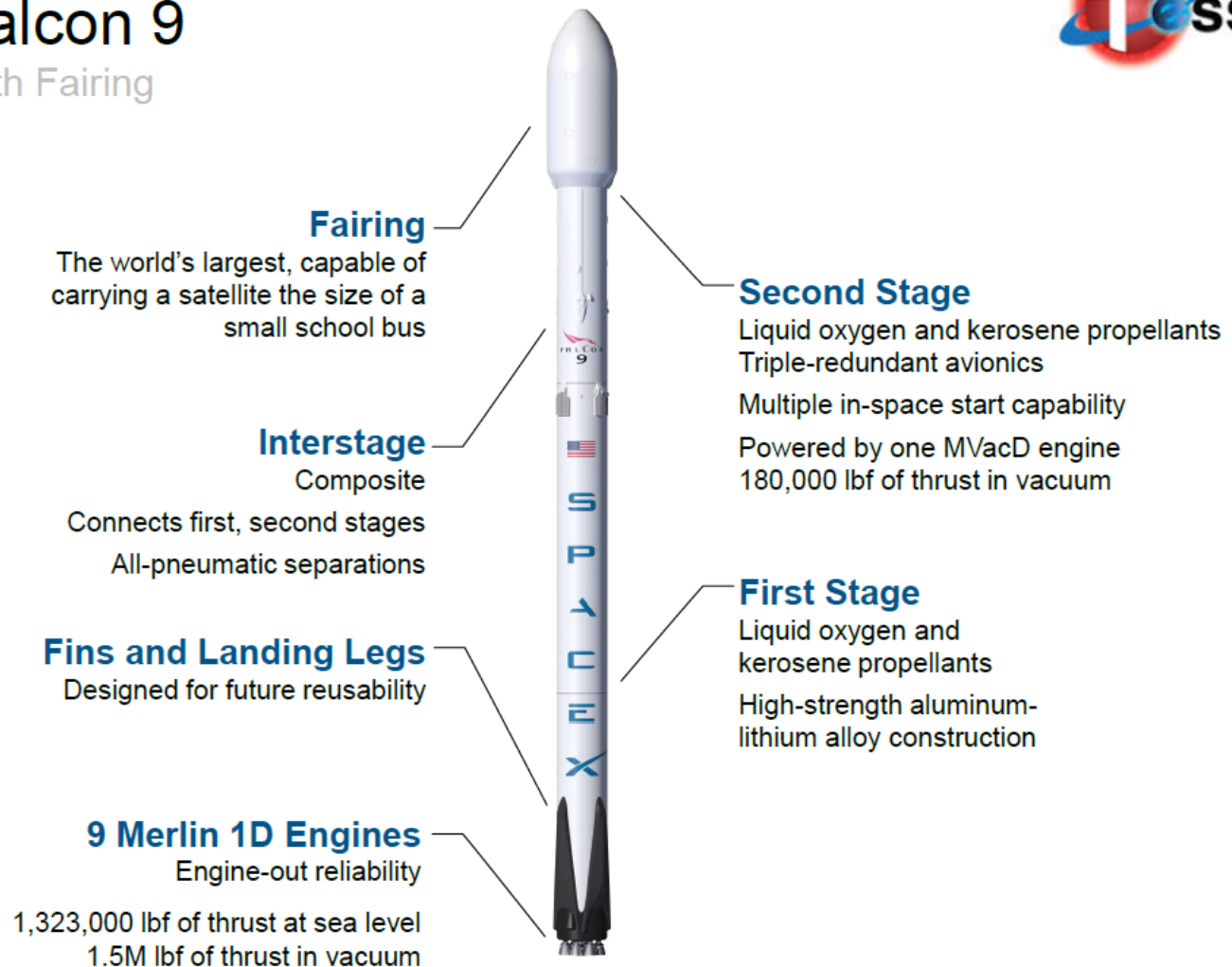
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Falcon 9 v1.1 System Overview



Falcon 9

With Fairing



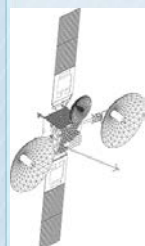
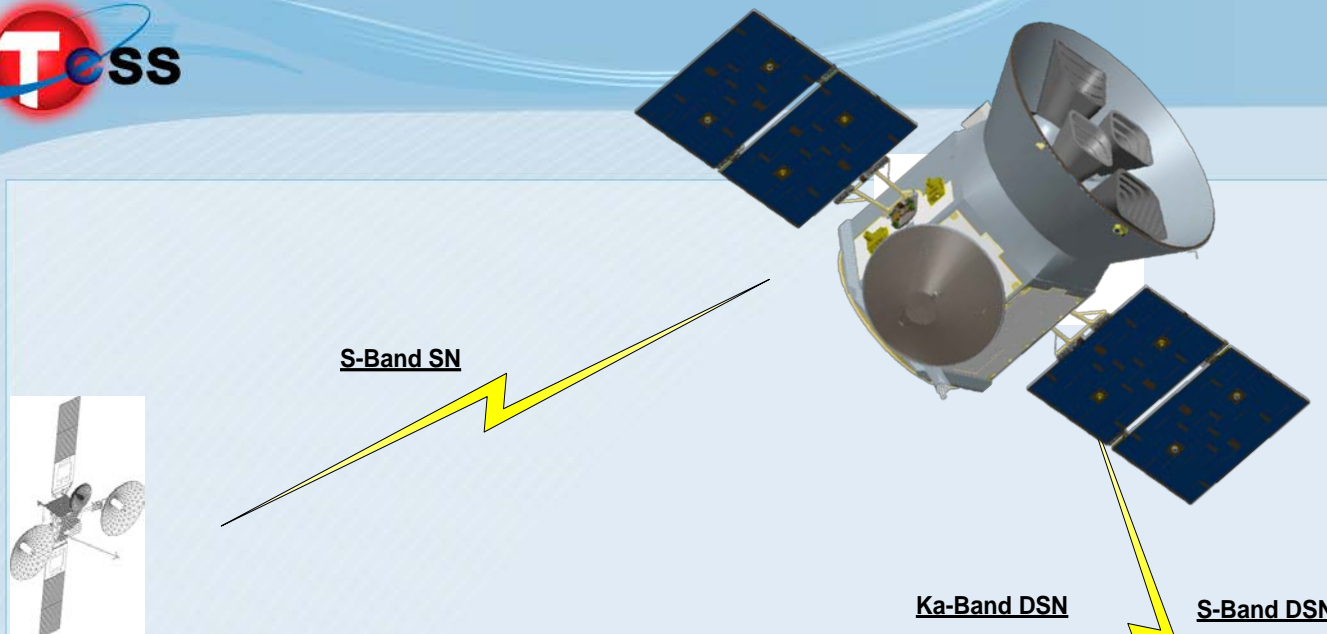


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LAUNCH SERVICES PROGRAM





White Sands Complex (WSC)

S-Band
CSO

Mission Operations Center (MOC)
OA

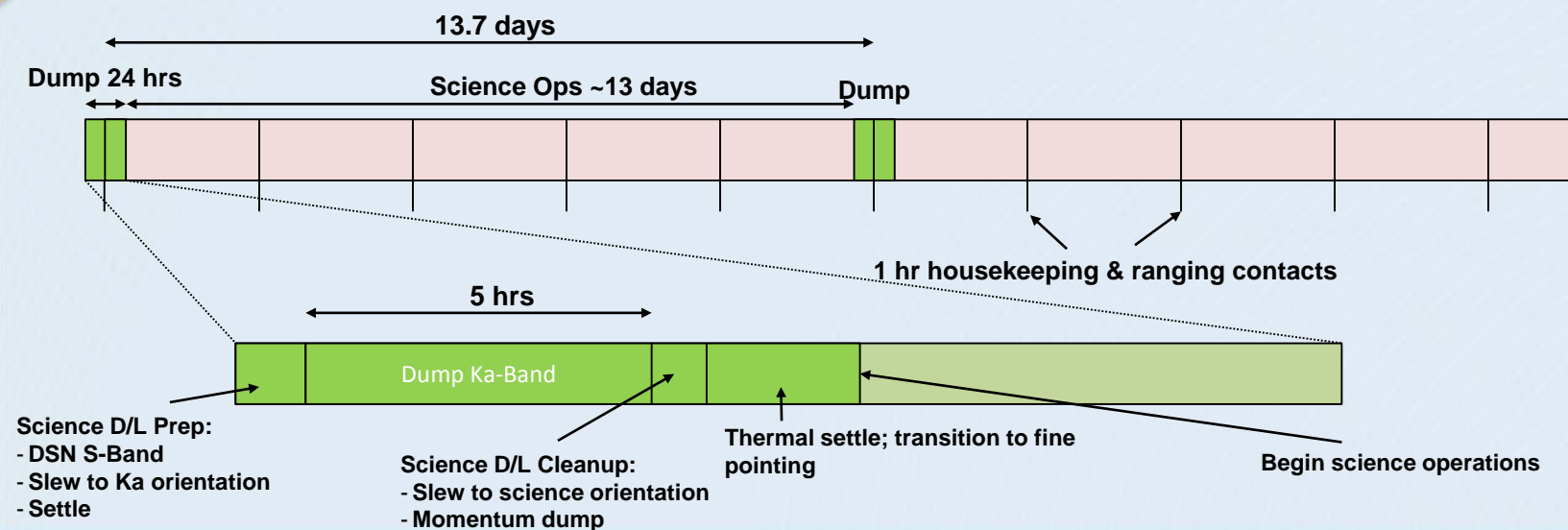
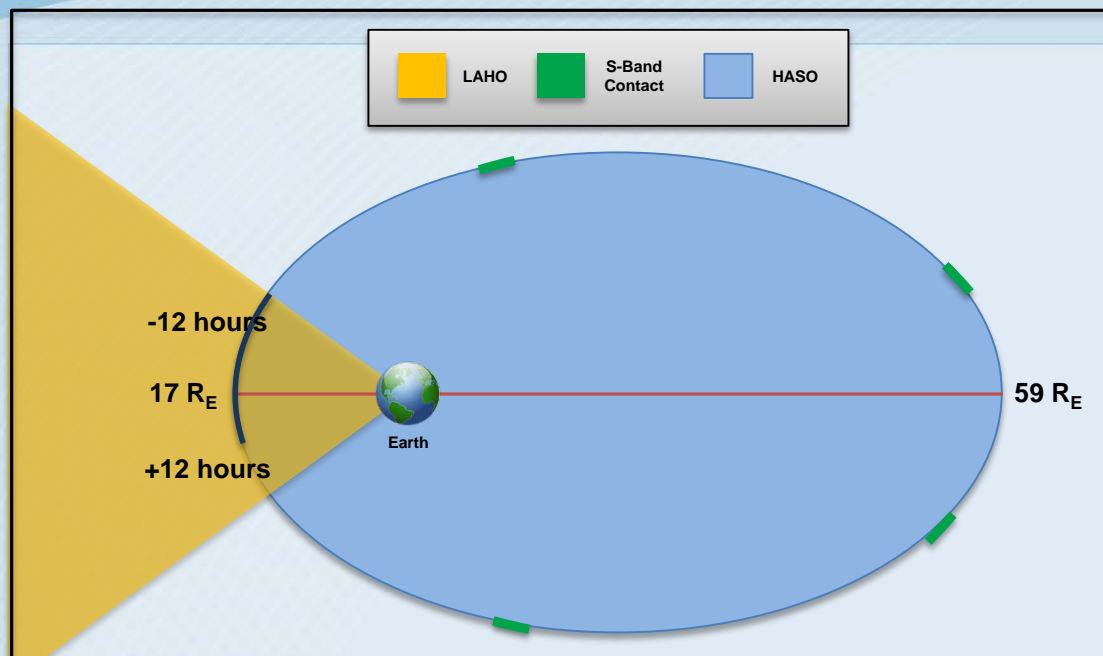
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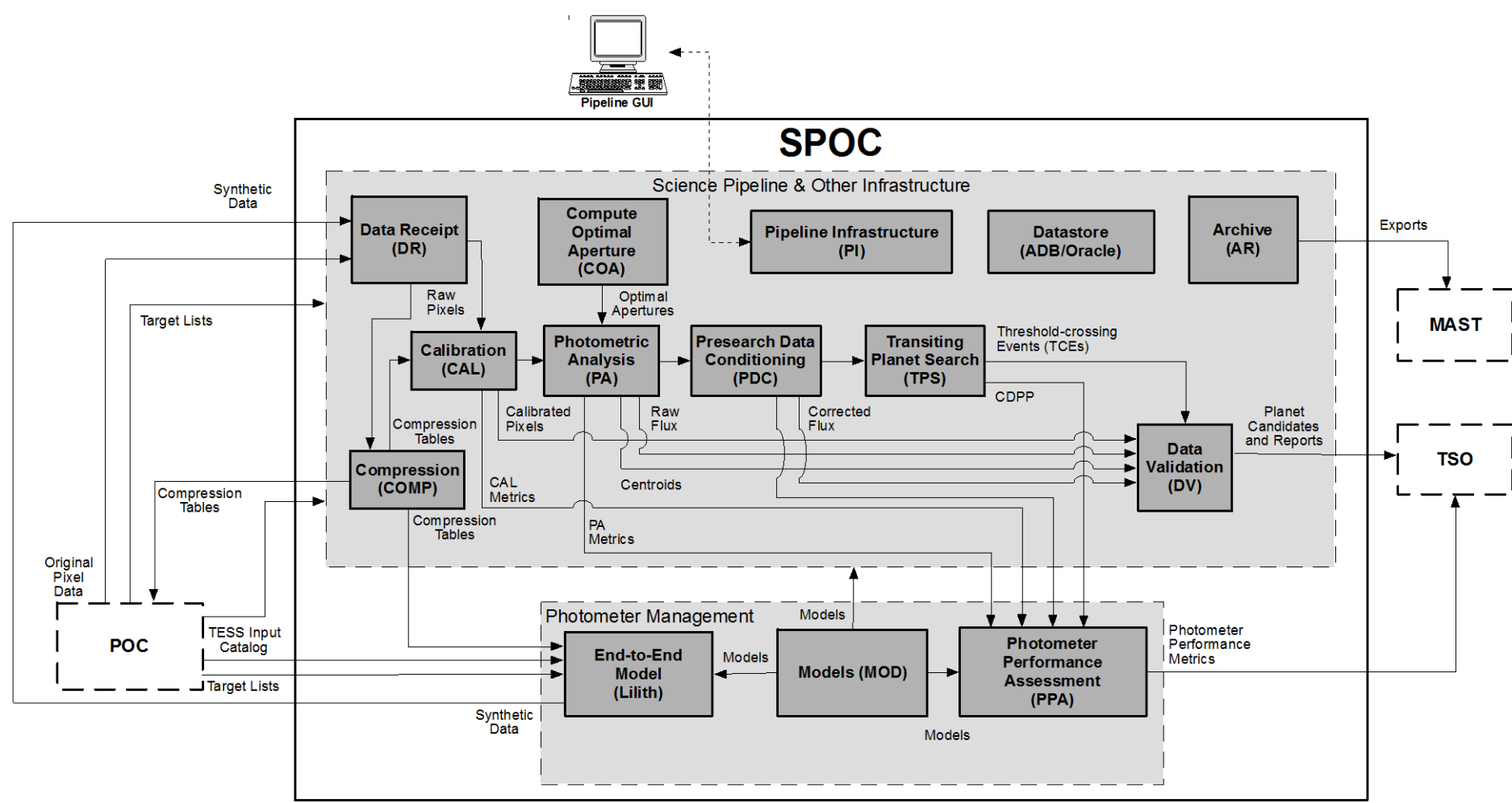
Science Operations Center (SOC)
MIT

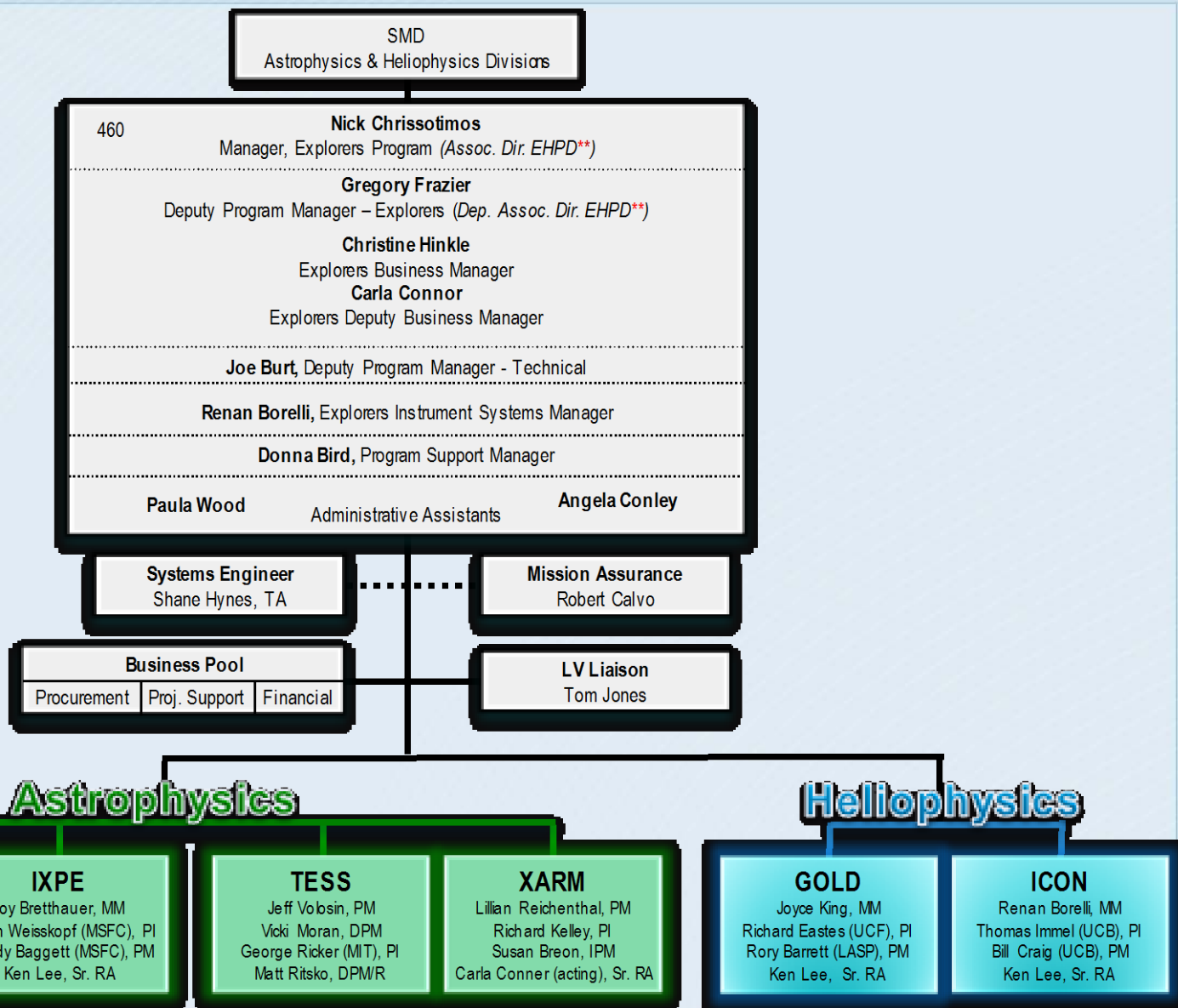
Ka-Band
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DSN Ground Stations:
34m BWG Goldstone, California
34m BWG Madrid, Spain
34m BWG Canberra, Australia



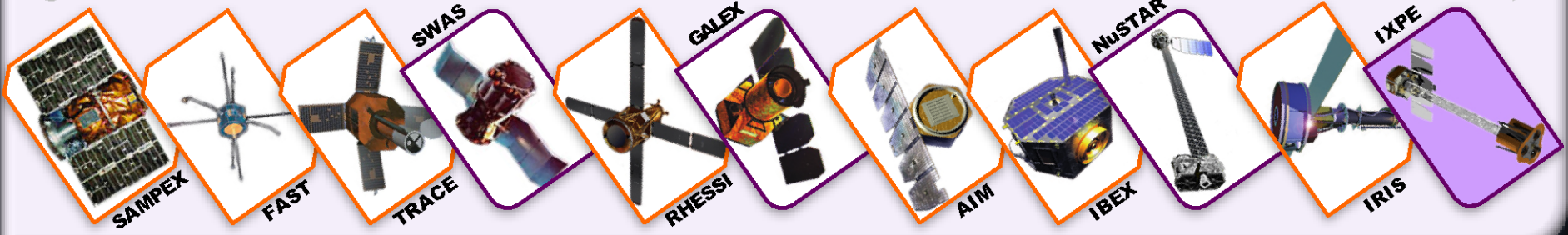




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SMEX



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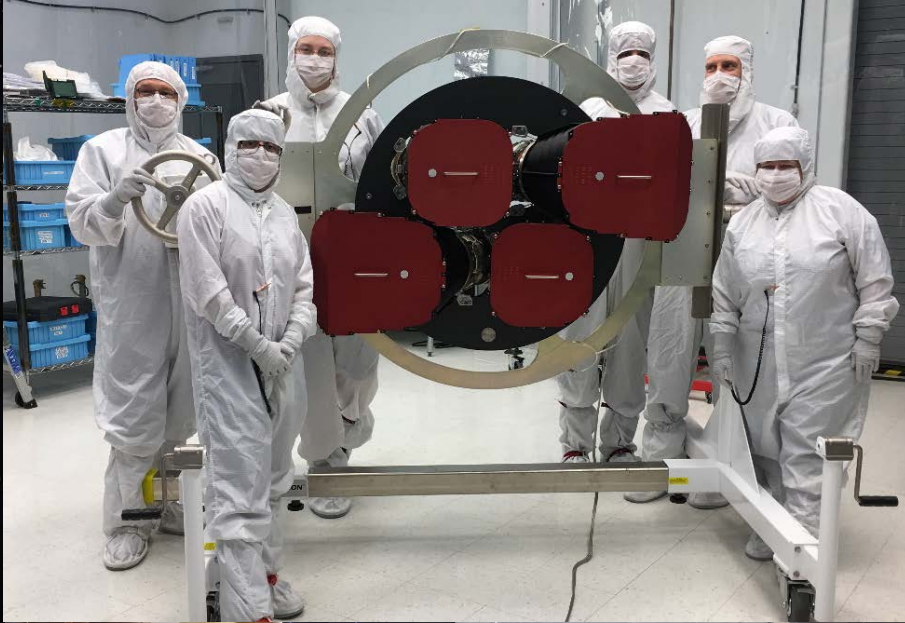


- The Explorers Program is the oldest continuous program in NASA. It is comprised of a long-standing series of space science missions that are independent, but share a common funding and NASA oversight/insight management structure.
- The Program is directed by the Heliophysics and Astrophysics Divisions within the NASA Science Mission Directorate (SMD).
- The Program resides at Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC) and was initiated with the Explorer 1 launch in 1958.
- The Explorer Program has launched approximately 100 missions including the Nobel Prize winning Cosmic Background Explorer (COBE) Mission.
- Explorer missions are Principal Investigator (PI) led, focused single science investigations, selected via an Announcement of Opportunity (AO) process.

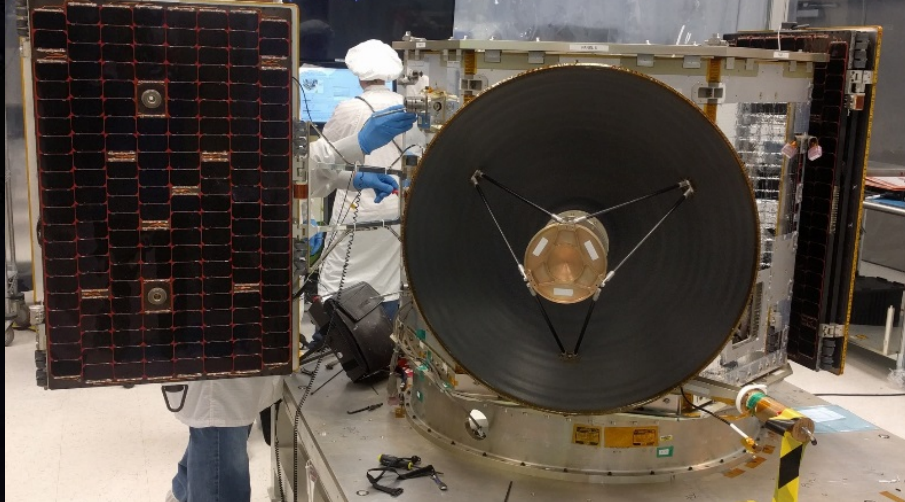


GSFC folks who have supported TESS

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- ◆ David Steinfeld
- ◆ Alan Copsey
- ◆ Mihn Phan



Smiling faces of the instrument team
at instrument delivery!



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- ◆ The instrument has been delivered and installed on the spacecraft
- ◆ The spacecraft is fully assembled with the exception of the Ka-band transmitter. The flight transmitter is having difficulties & still at the manufacturer. The engineering unit is currently on the spacecraft
- ◆ We have completed the first Comprehensive Performance Test and currently in EMC testing
- ◆ Vibration, Acoustics and Shock are scheduled for October
- ◆ Thermal Vacuum testing is scheduled for November
- ◆ Current ship date is 27th January 2018
- ◆ Current launch date is 30th March 2018

