



# Microsatellites observing atmospheric and space electricity for the science of serious natural disasters: Challenge to their mitigations



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# Introduction

## Earthquake



**Mission 1:**  
**Verification of earthquake ionospheric precursor for practical earthquake prediction**



This photo is taken by Leggi il Firenzepost

## Lightning



**Mission 3:**  
**Study of lightning-related phenomena for lightning prediction.**



## Tsunami



**Mission 2:**  
**Investigation of tsunami ionospheric hole for early warning system**



## Global warming

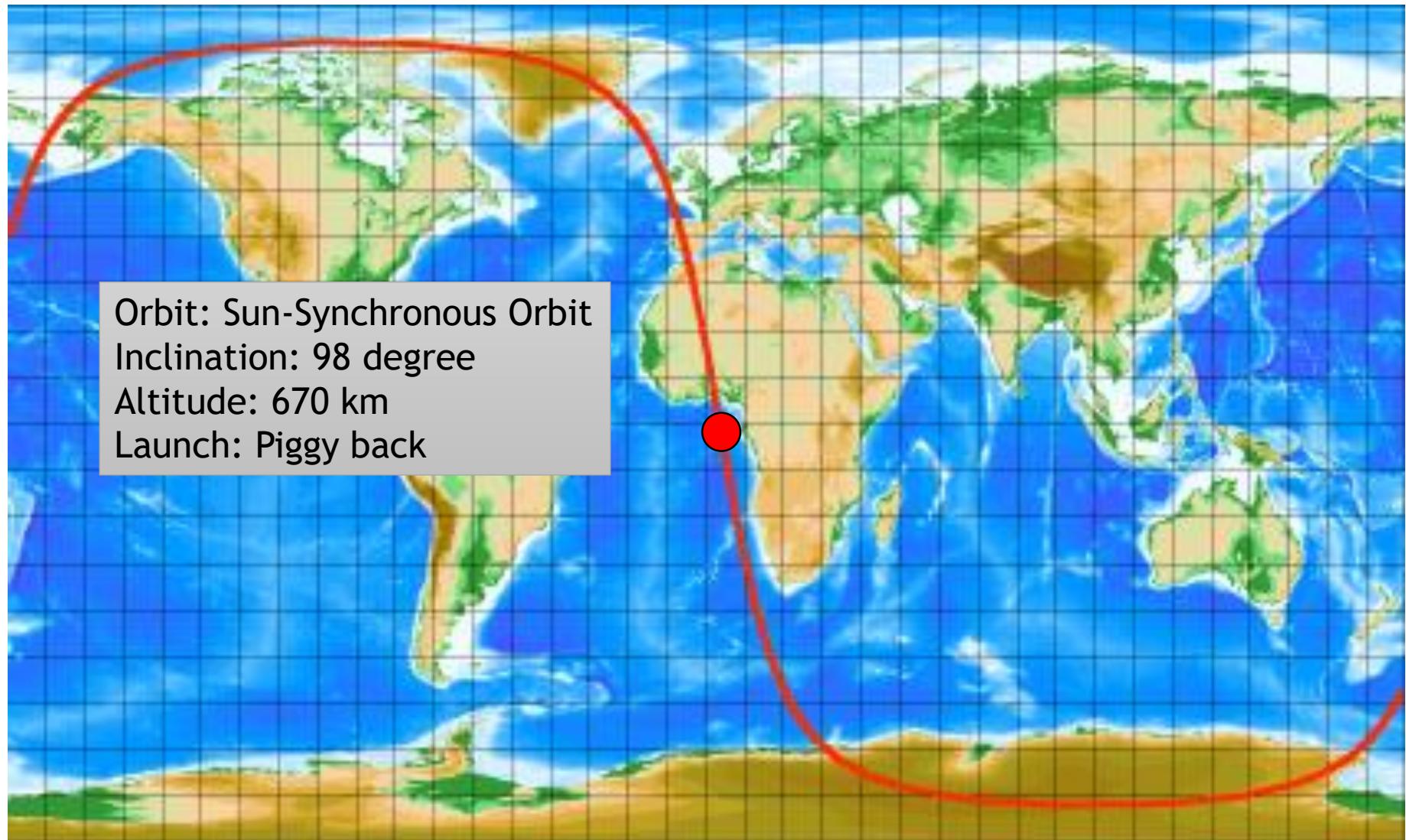


**Mission 4:**  
**Study of global lightning for global warming understanding**

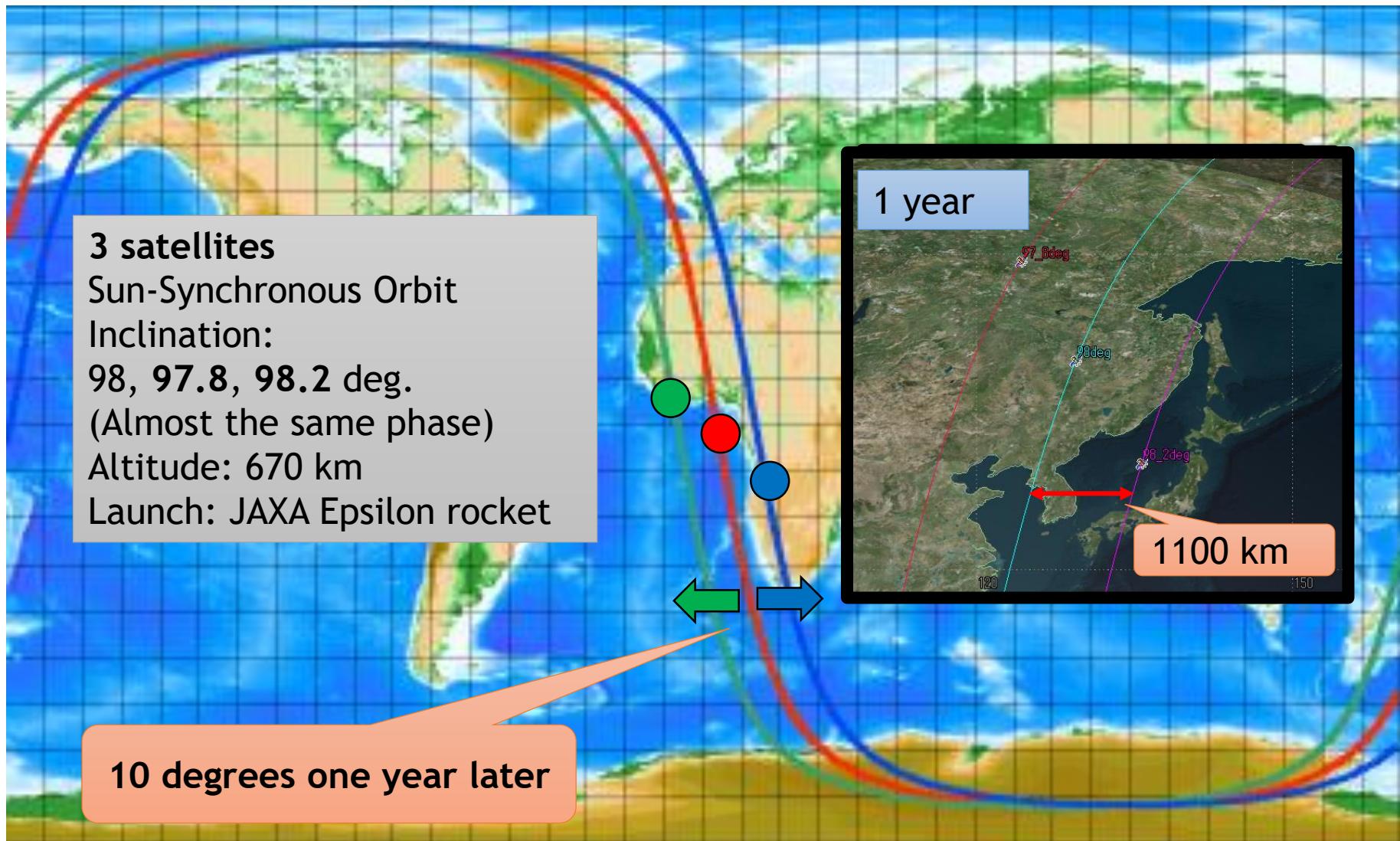


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# Plan A: Single satellite operation (Low cost plan)

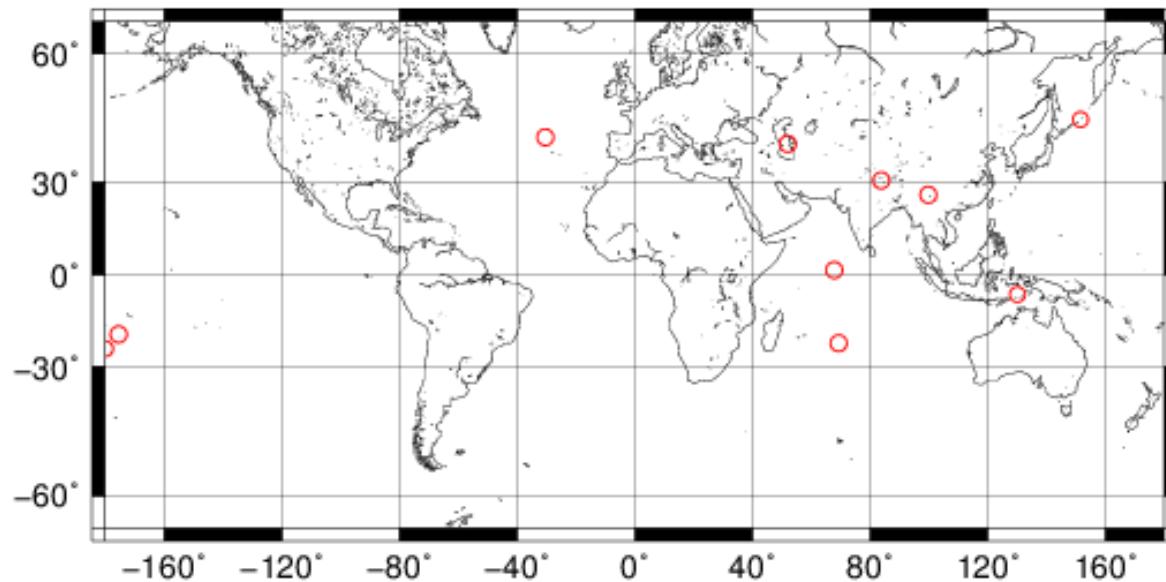


# Plan B: 3 satellites constellation (Integrated plan)



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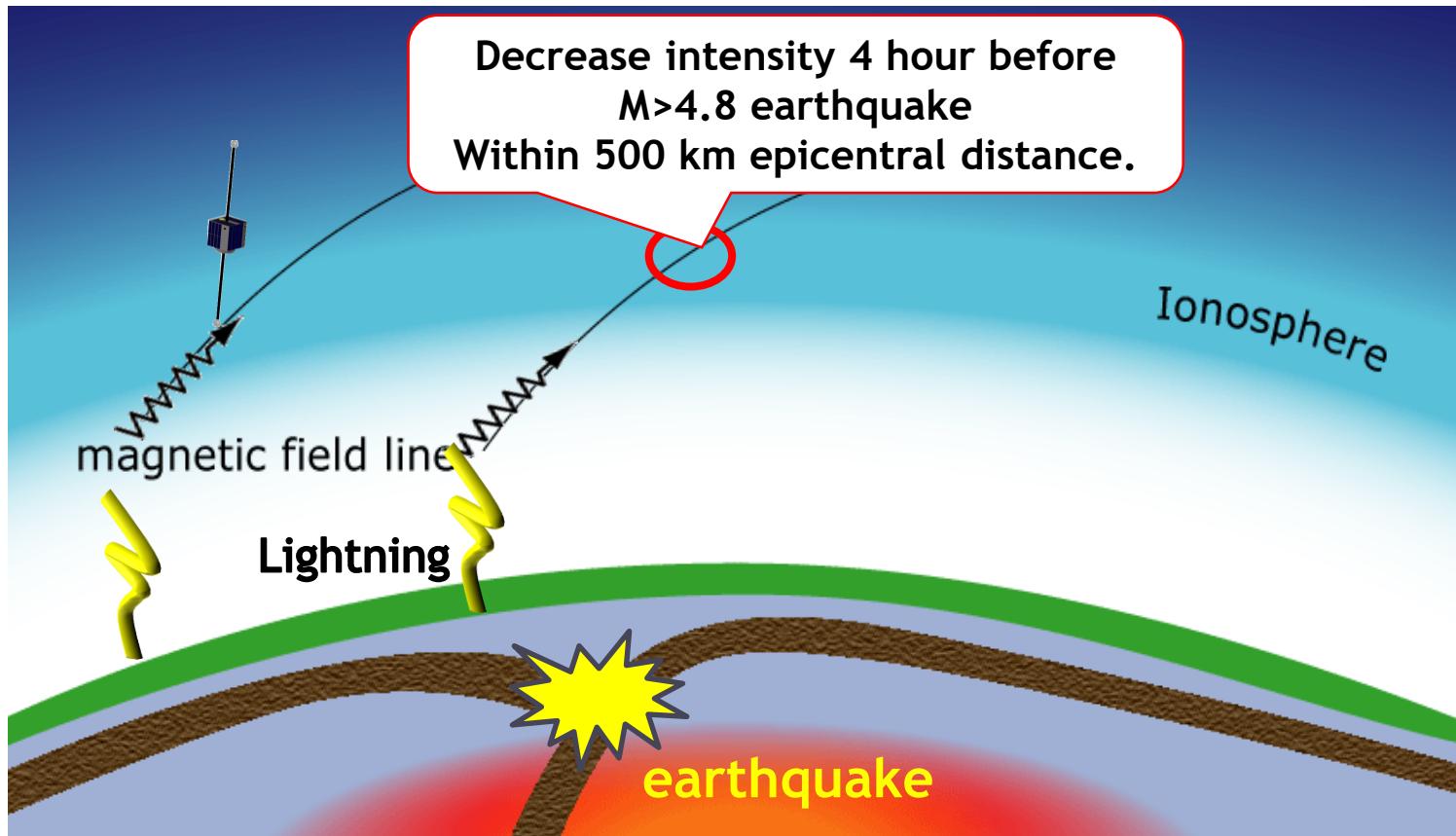
# Verification of earthquake ionospheric precursor for practical earthquake prediction (EQ mission)



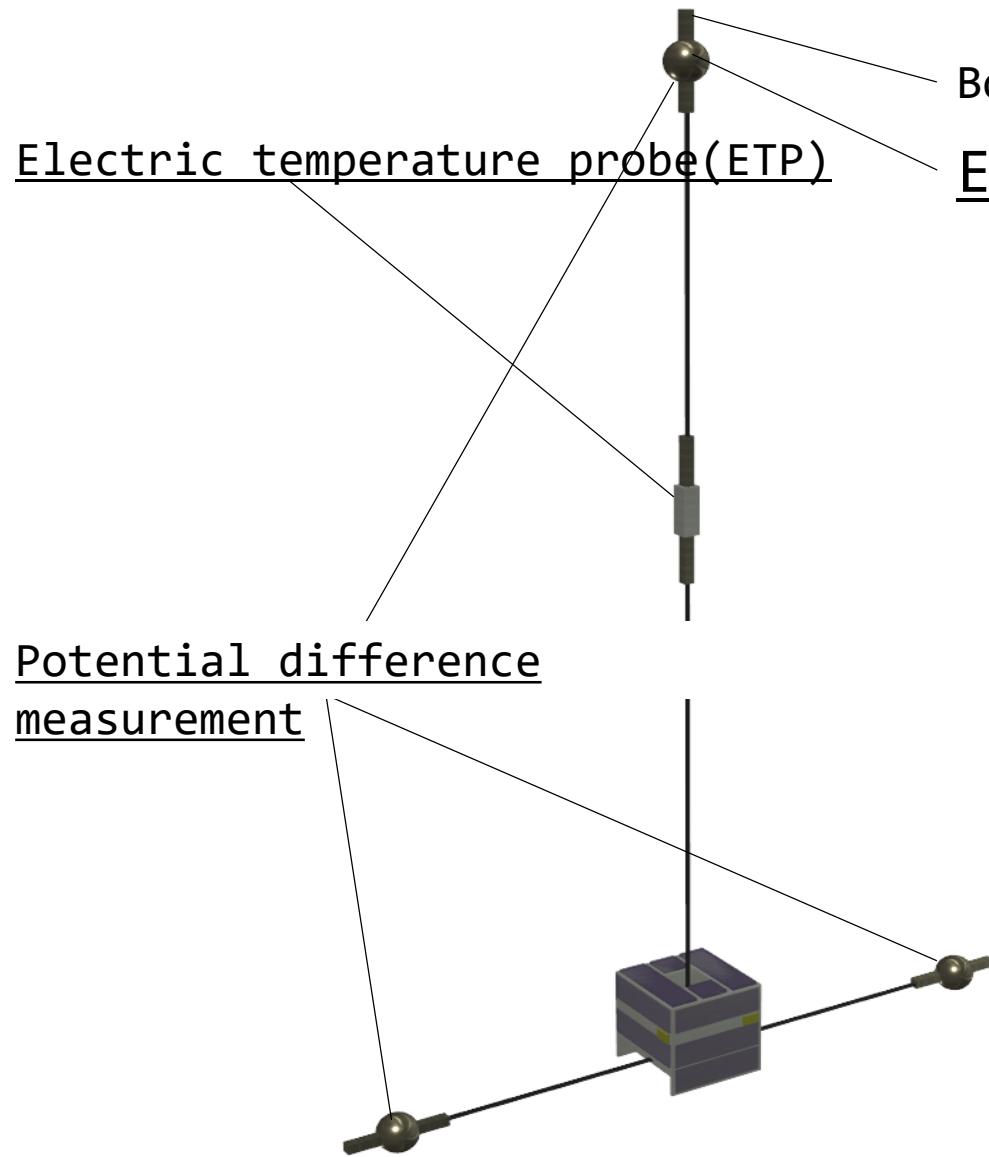
No reliable and frequently repeatable precursor for a long time.

# Pre-seismic decrease of VLF wave intensity at nighttime

Nemec et al., Geophys. Res. Lett. (2008)  
Kamogawa et al. (in preparation)



# Mission system



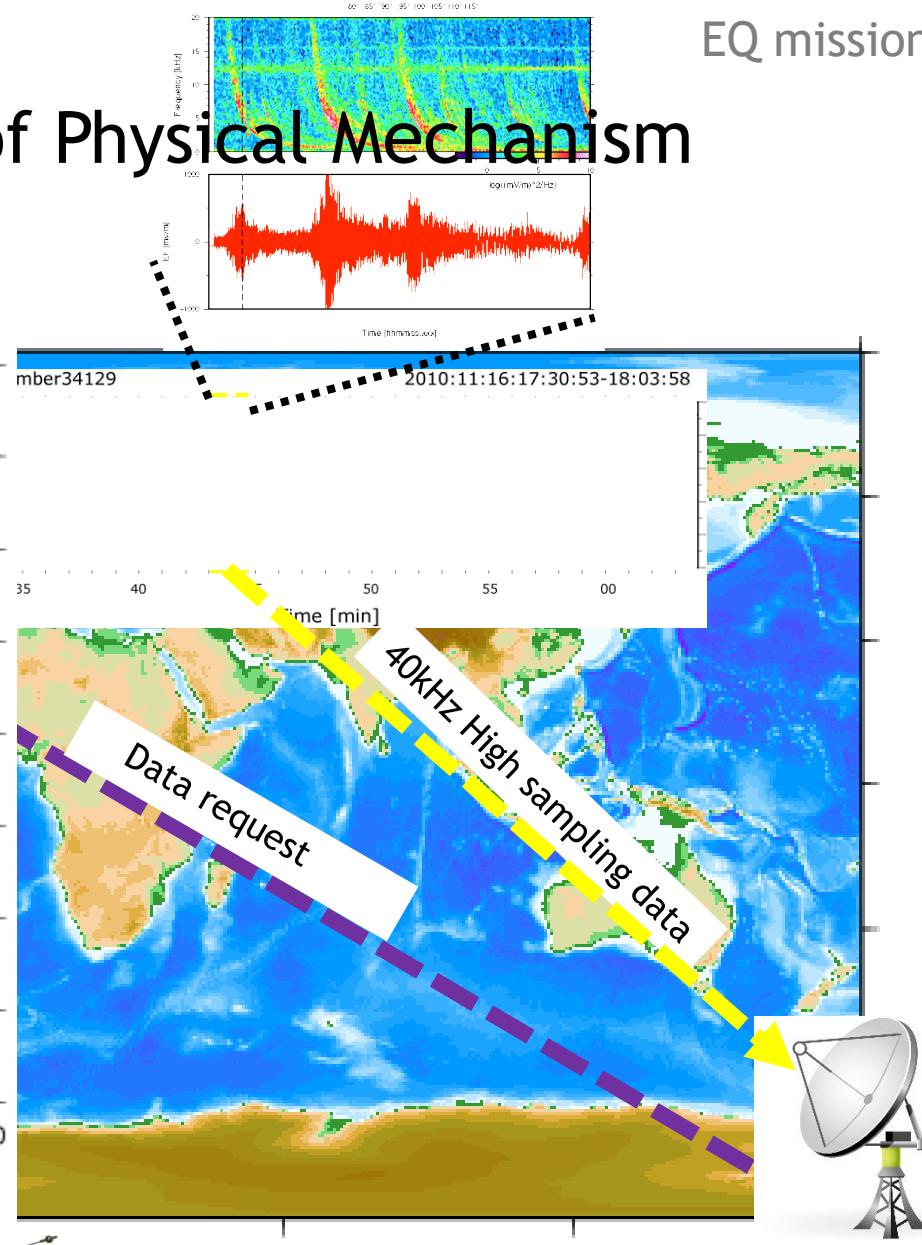
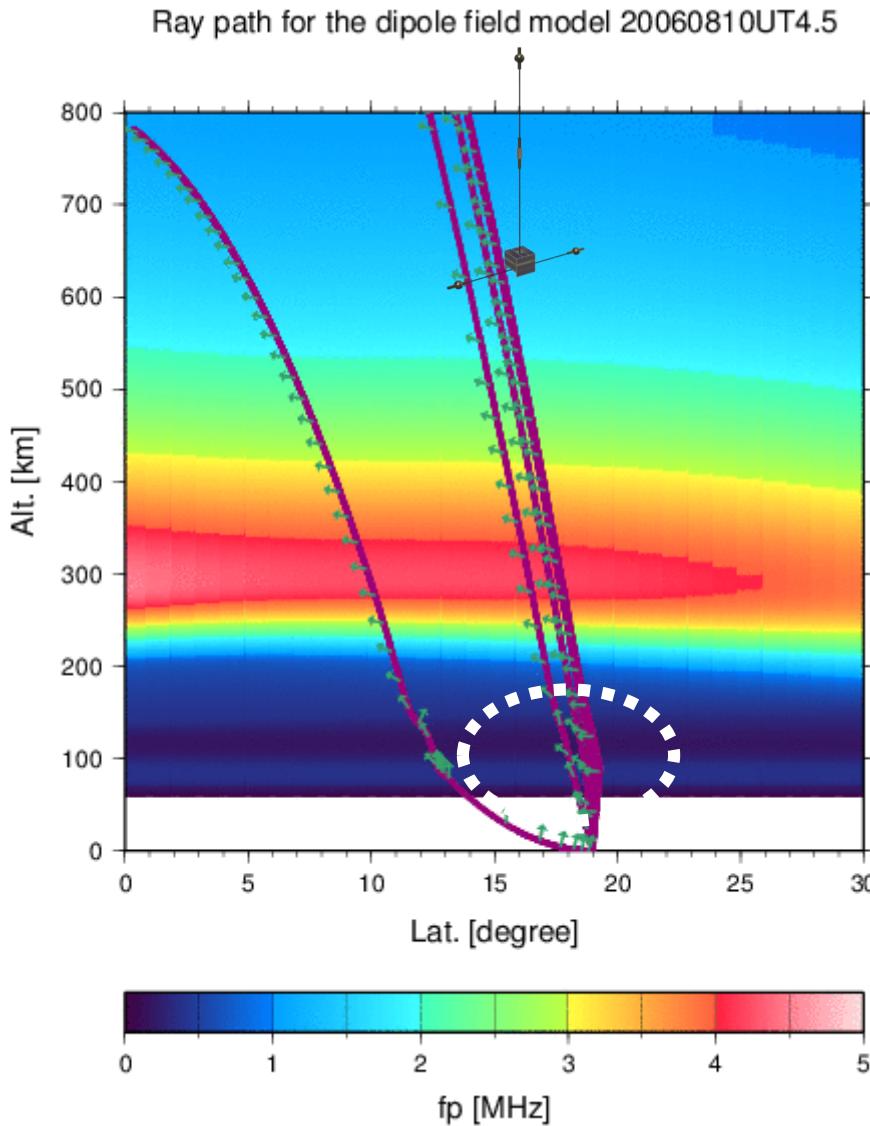
Bootstrap

Electric Field Probe (EFP)



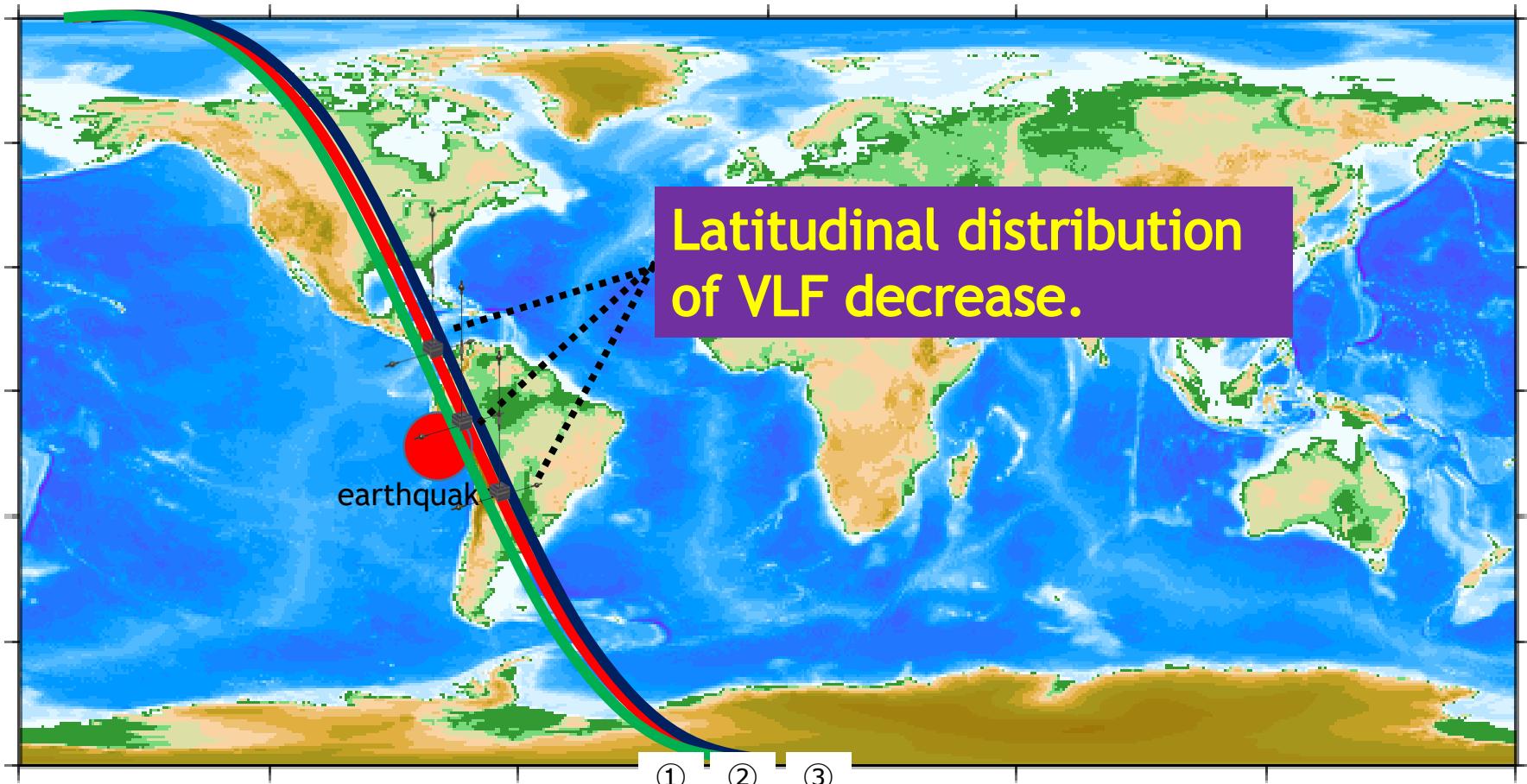
	Attitude control accuracy	Attitude determination accuracy
DC	1 deg.	7 deg.
AC	5 deg.	37 deg.

# Plan A: Understanding of Physical Mechanism

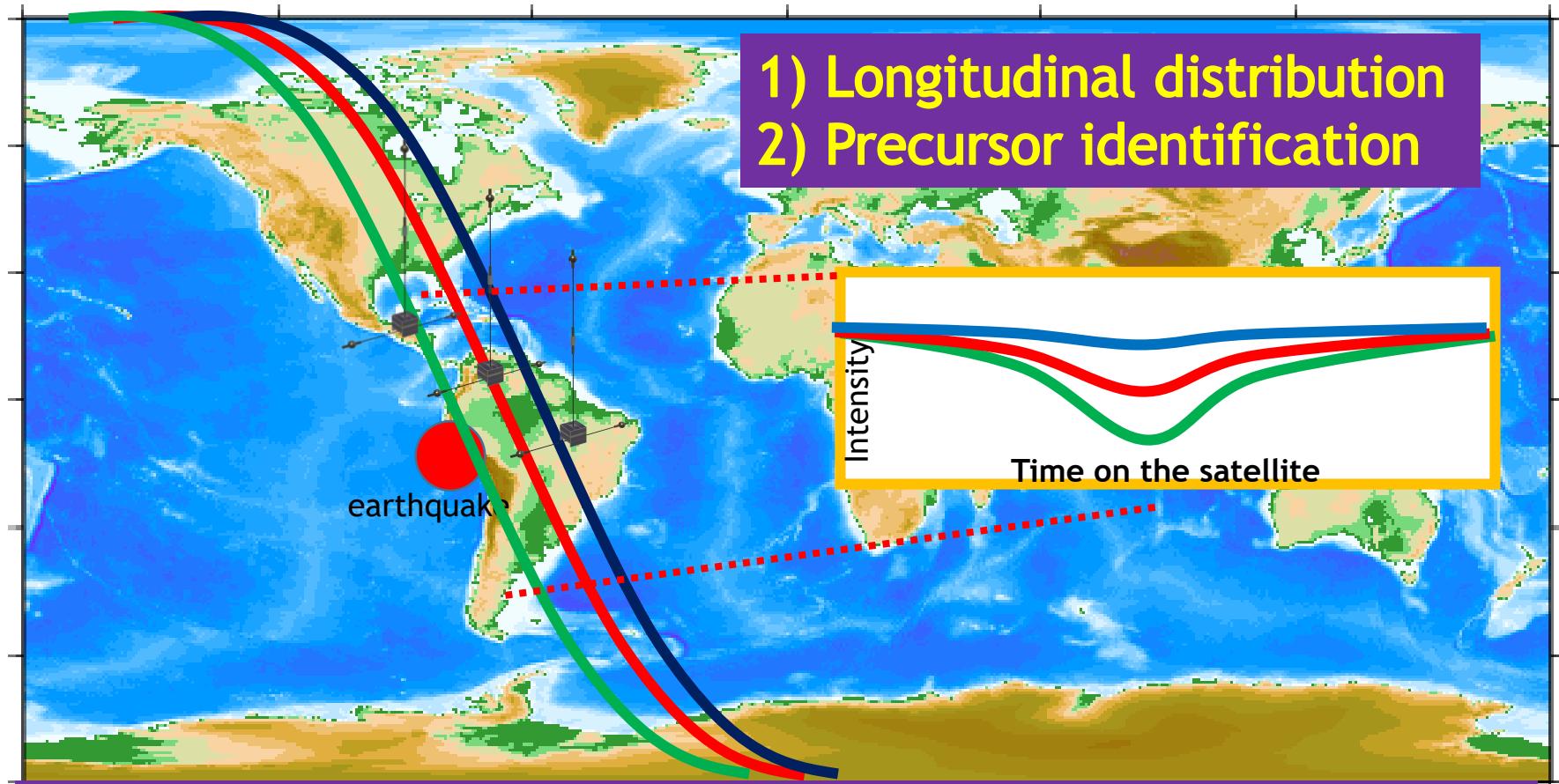


# Plan B

## Early phase: Investigation of Latitudinal Distribution

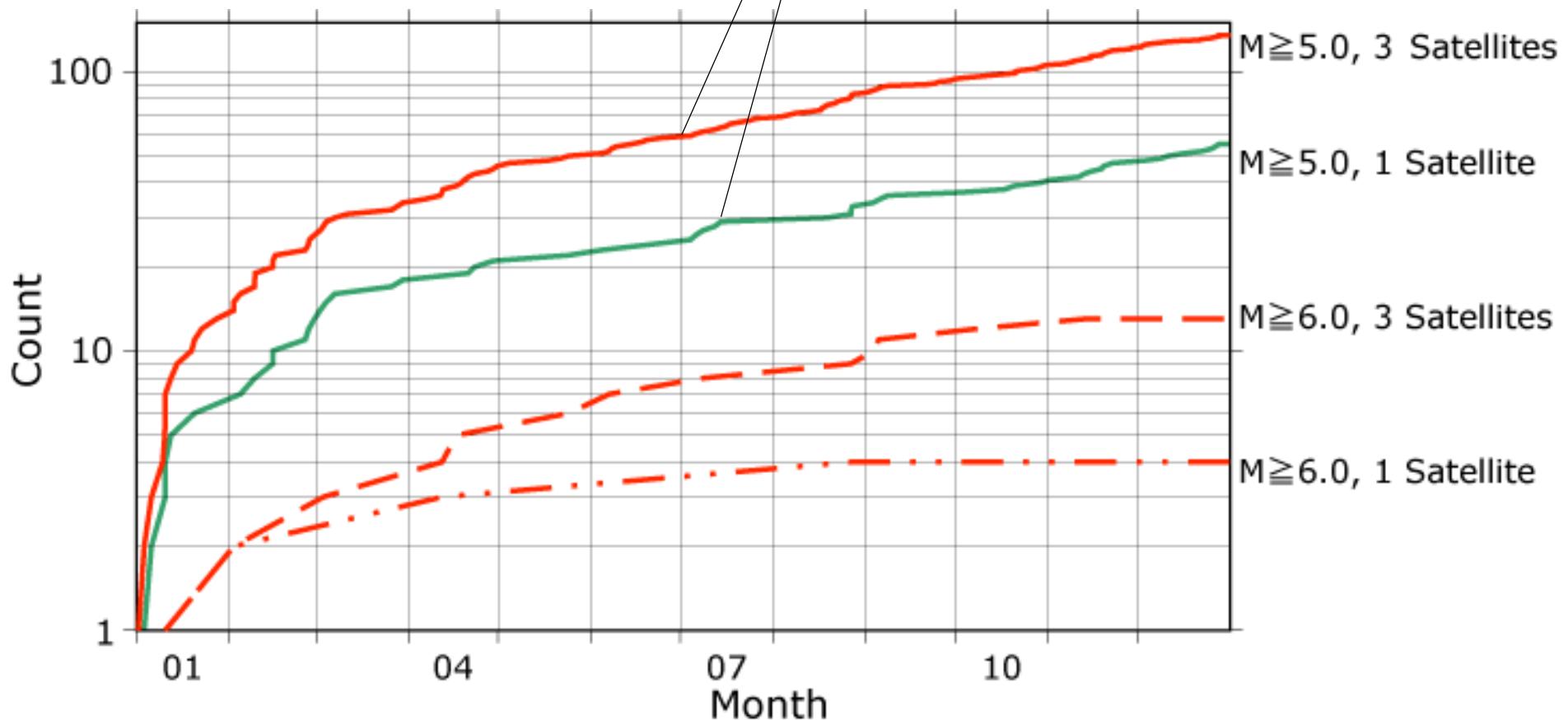


## Plan B

Late phase : Feasibility of Real-time Identification  
: Robust Verification of Phenomenon

Doubled events

## Expected Number of Earthquakes

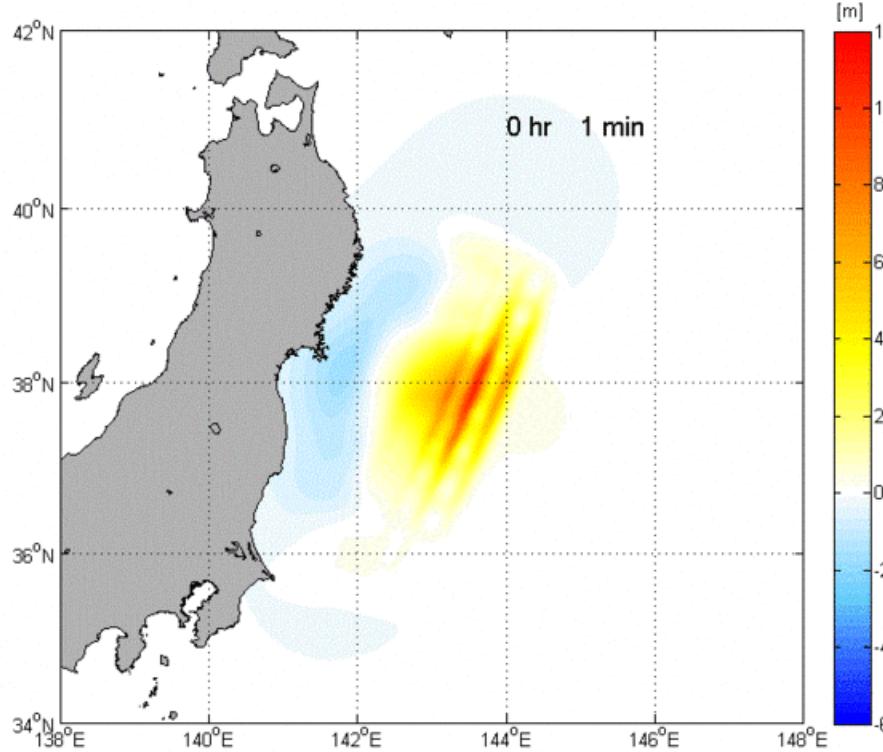


# Mission 2:

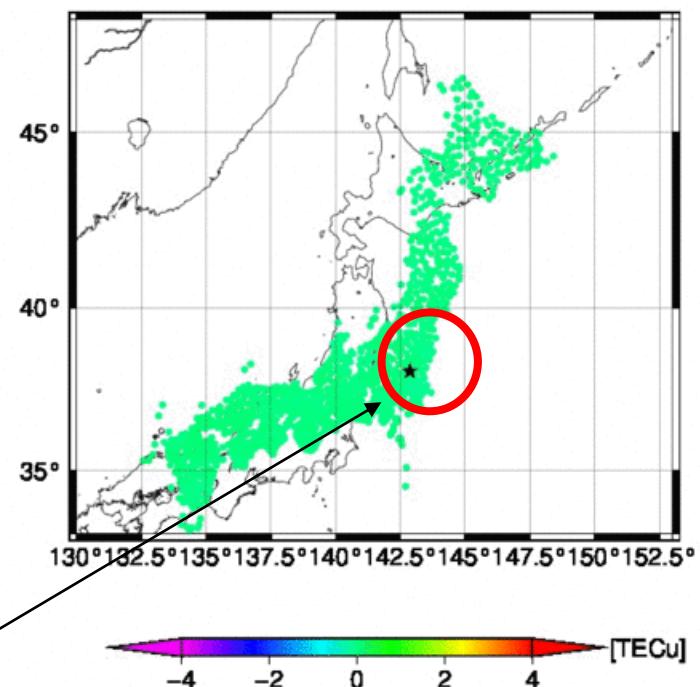
## Investigation of tsunami ionospheric hole for early warning system (Tsunami mission)

2011.3.11 Tohoku Earthquake (Japan)

Height of Tsunami



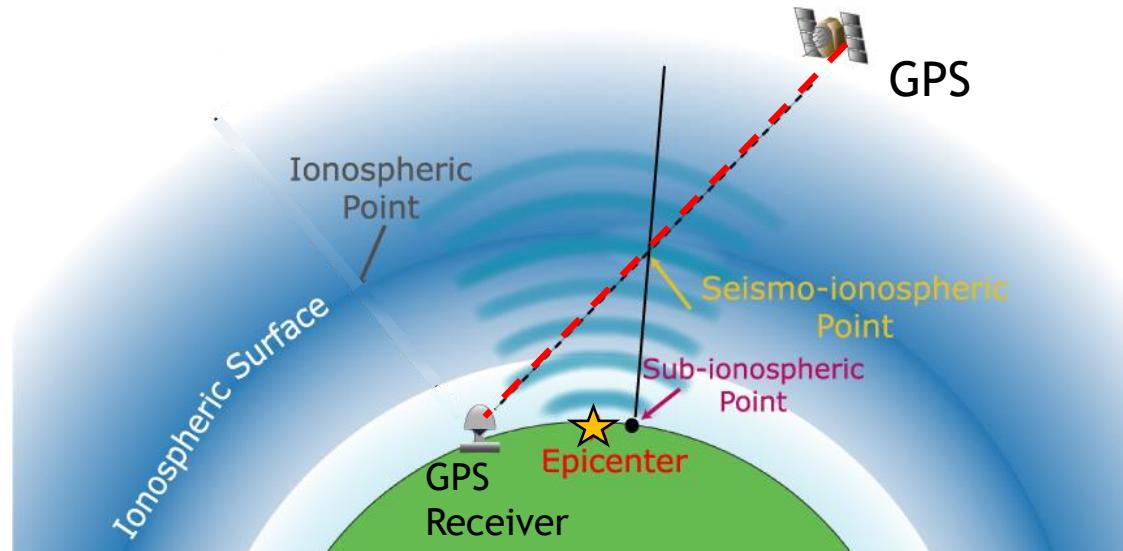
Total Electron Content (TEC)  
in Ionosphere



We discovered **Tsunami Ionospheric Hole (TIH)**

# Ground observation

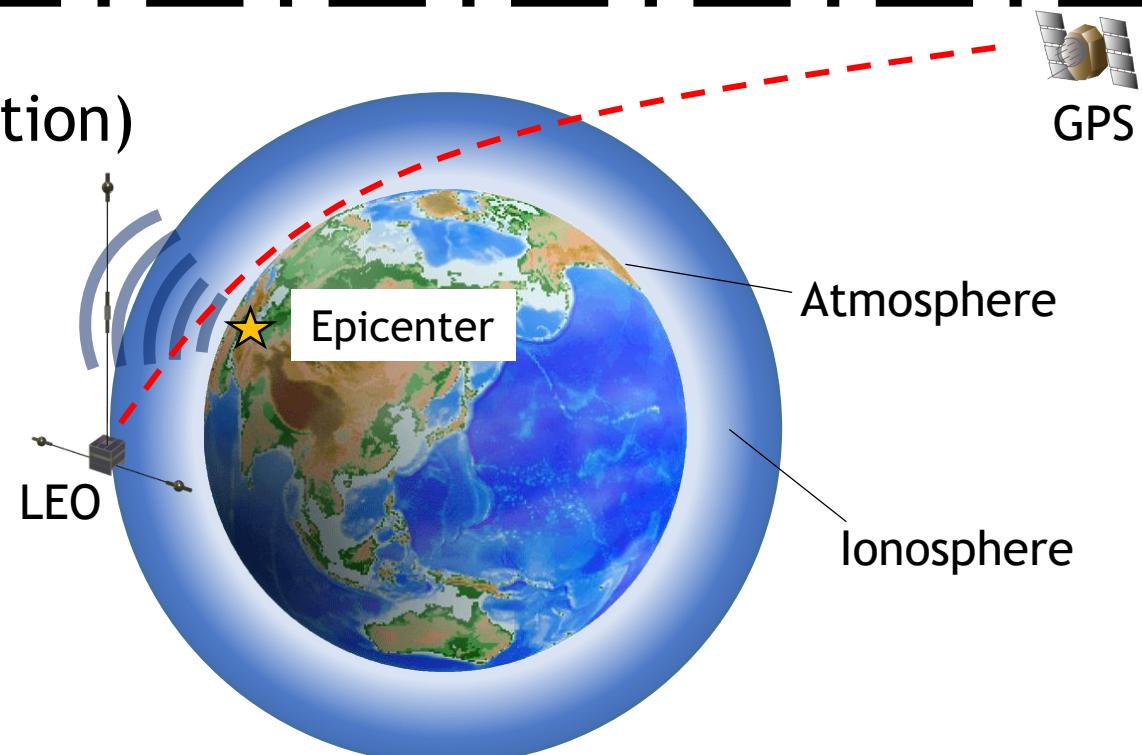
Tsunami Mission



GPS stations are not uniformly distributed

GPS stations are not far from the coast

## Satellite observation (GPS occultation observation)

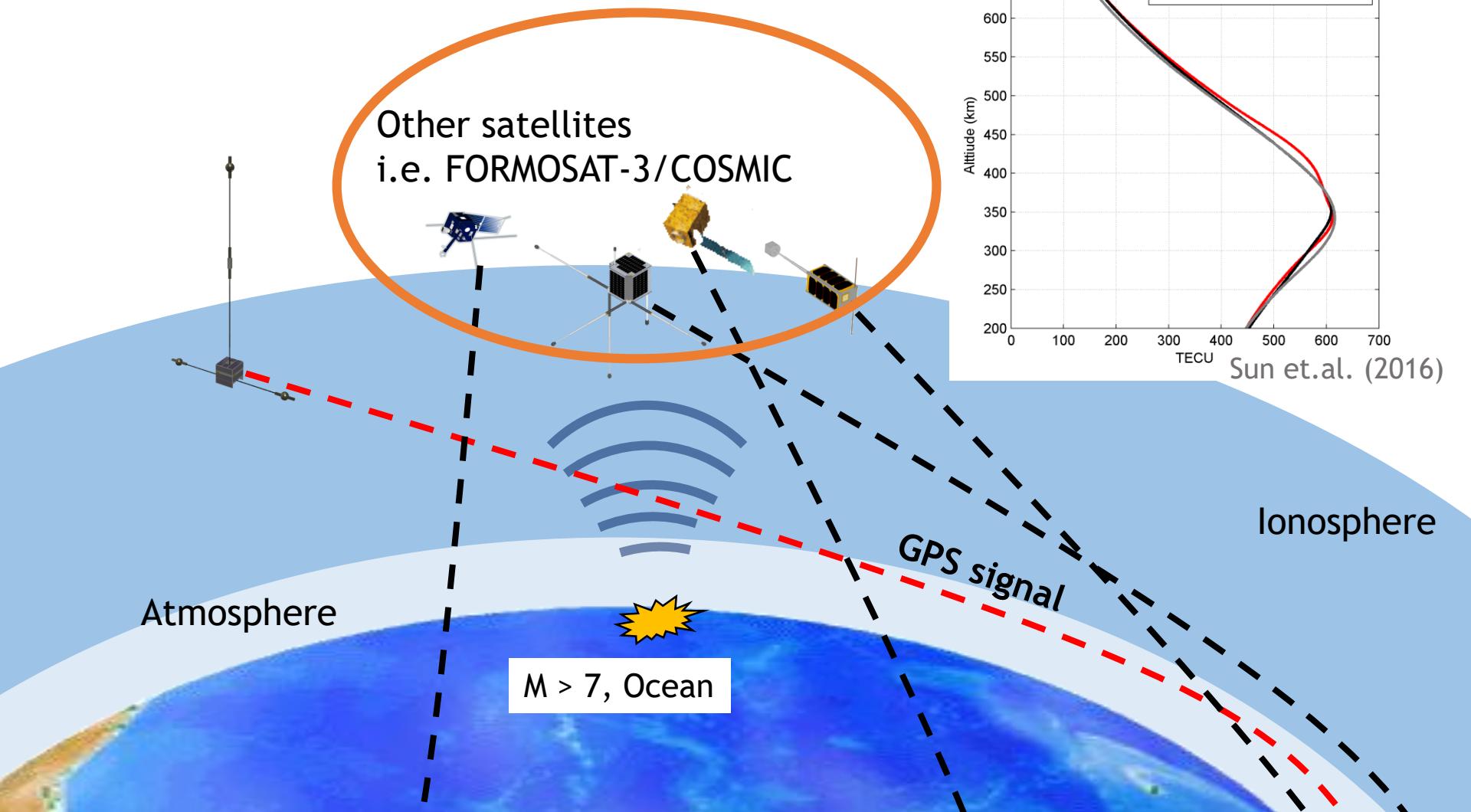


Satellite observation  
can monitor the whole area  
in the earth

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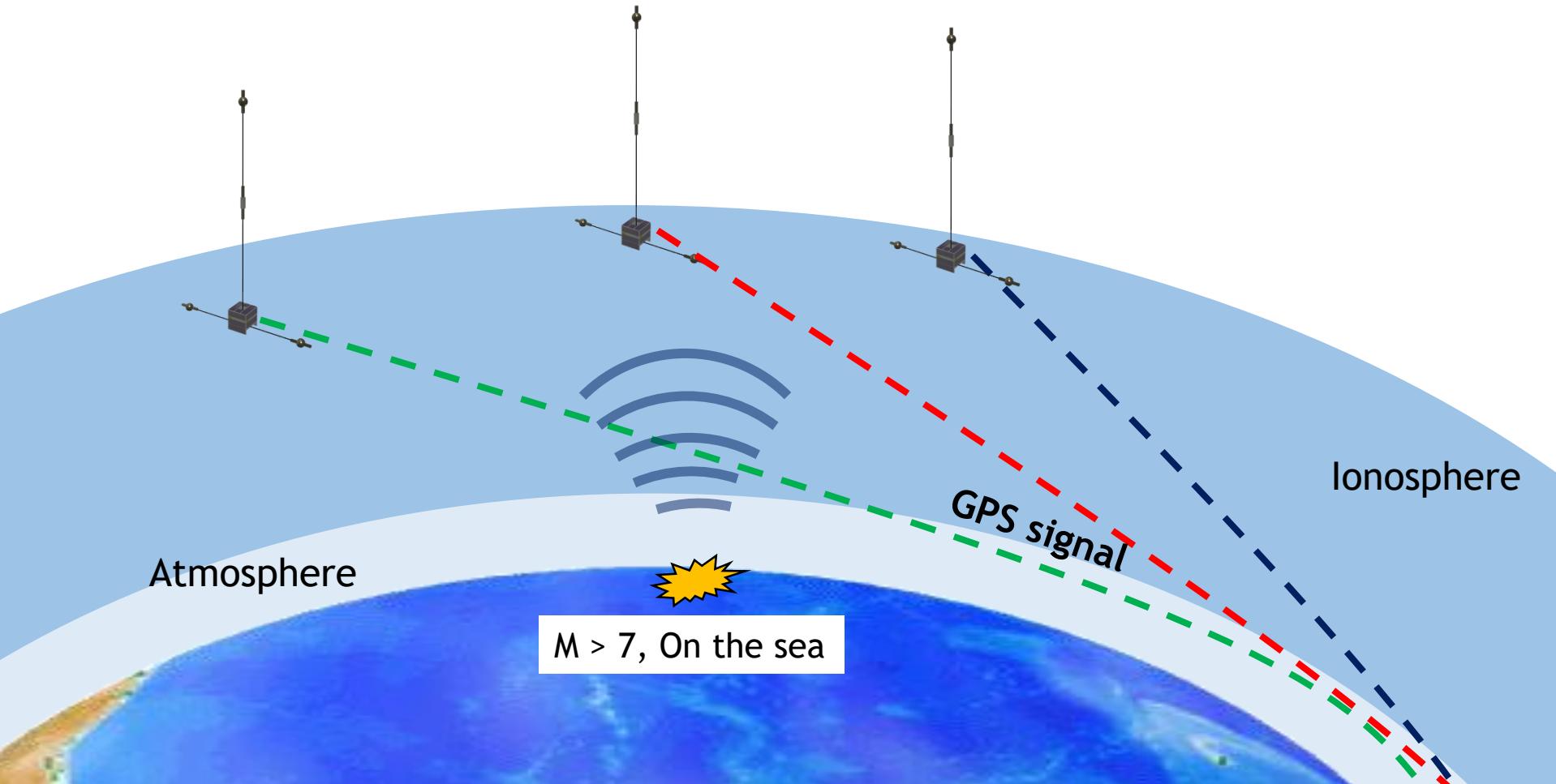
GPS receiver

Low power consumption  
Low cost  
Small



# Plan B: Constellation Observation

Verification feasibility for satellite-based tsunami early warning system from real time monitoring



## Mission 3:

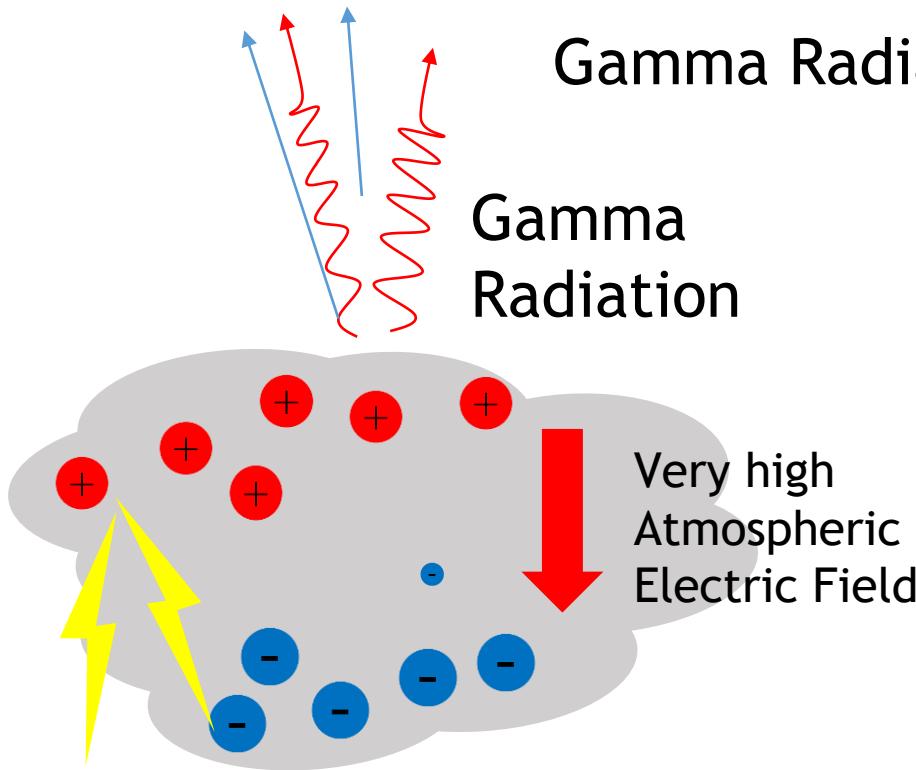
Study of lightning-related phenomena for lightning prediction. (Lightning mission)



Photo given by Uchinada town Local government

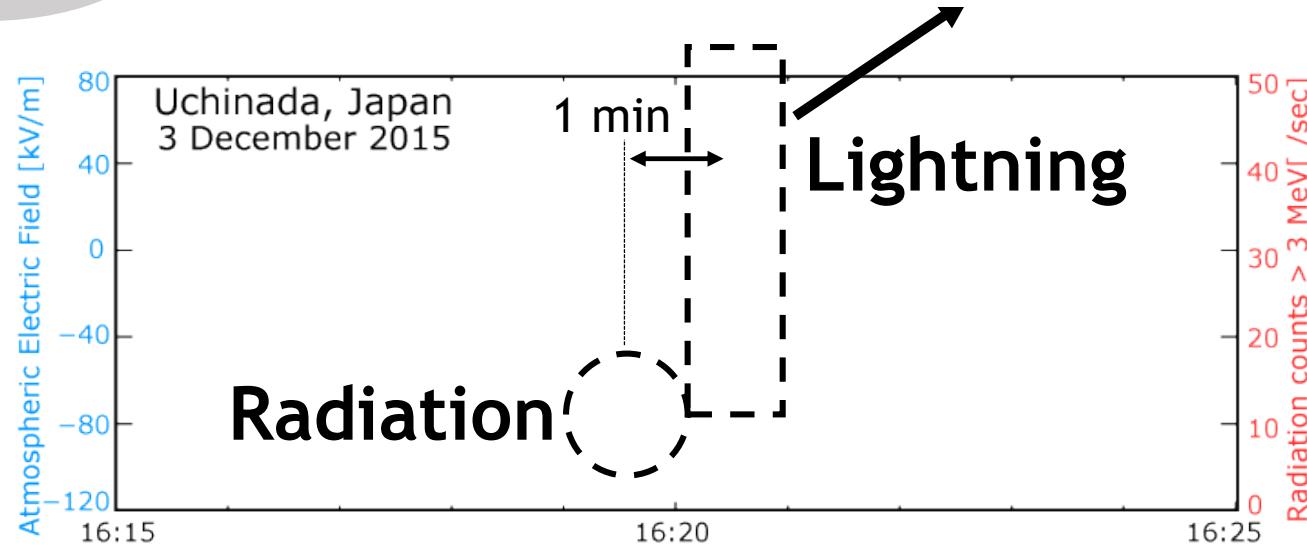
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# Gamma Radiation and Thundercloud



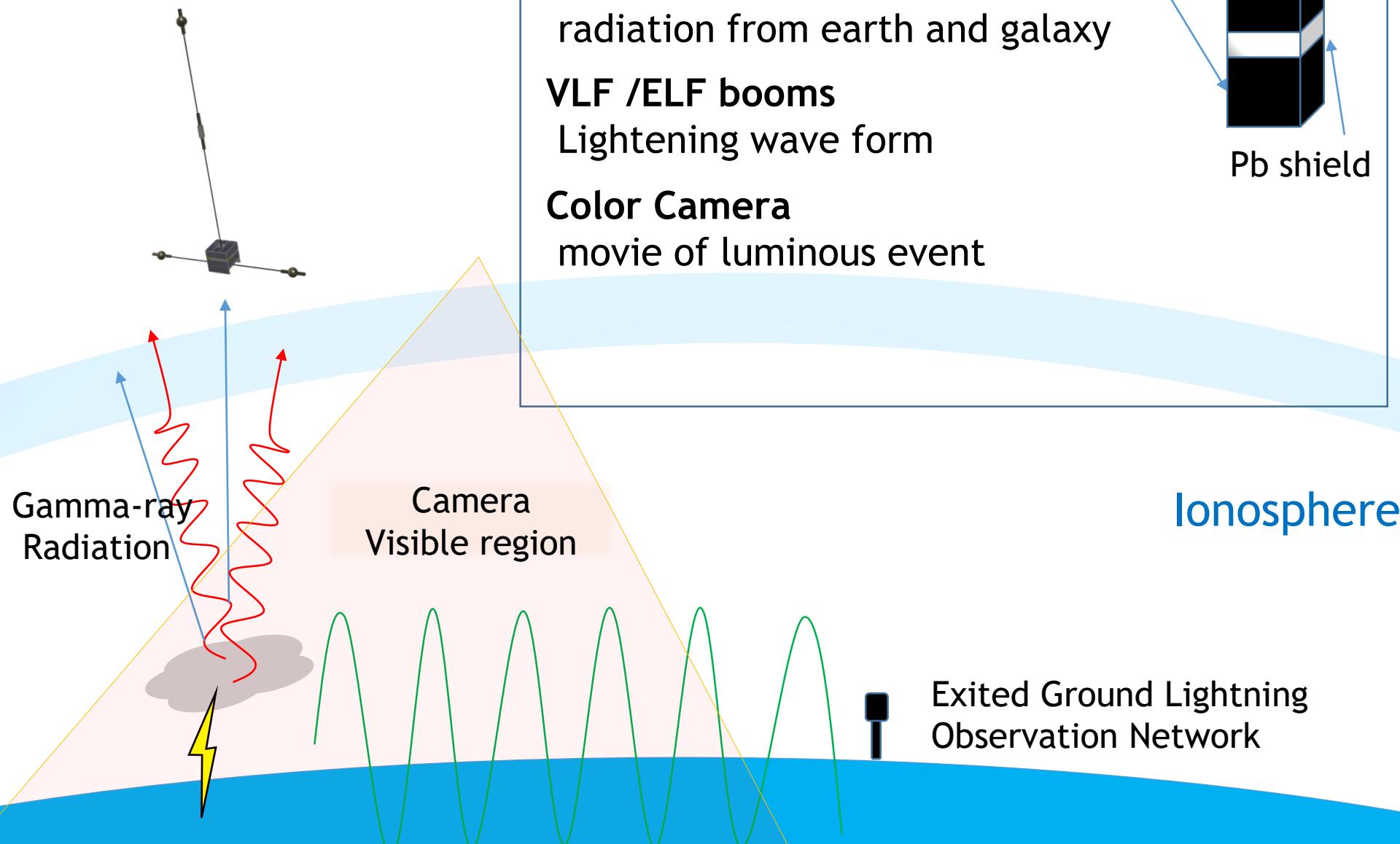
Gamma  
Radiation

Very high  
Atmospheric  
Electric Field



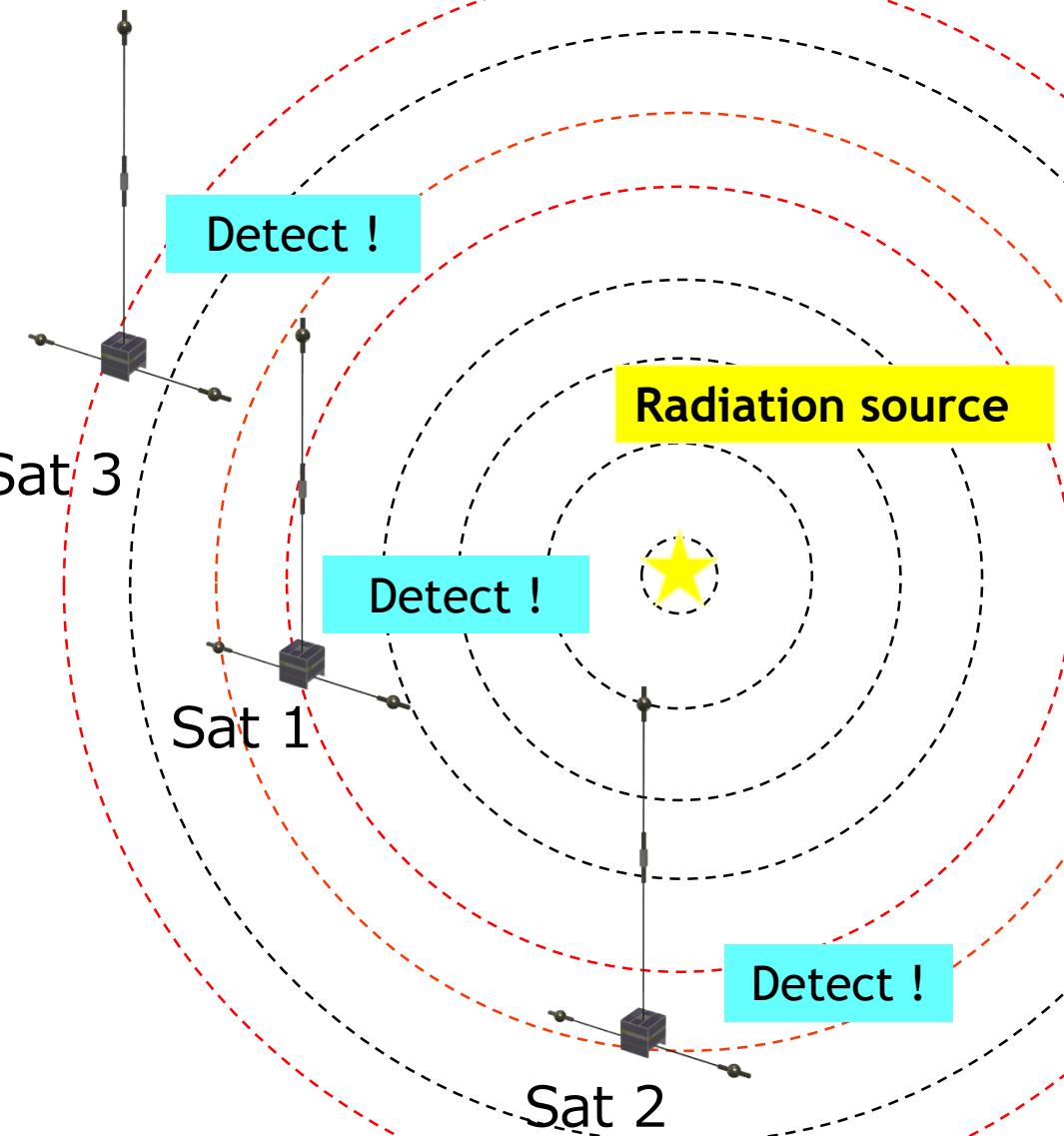
We will find new lightning prediction technique

# Plan A: Verifying statistical correlation between gamma ray and lightning.



# Plan B

## Early phase: Time of Arrival analysis (TOA)



## Mission 4

# Study of global lightning for global warming understanding (Global warming mission)



After JCCA

CO<sub>2</sub> gas

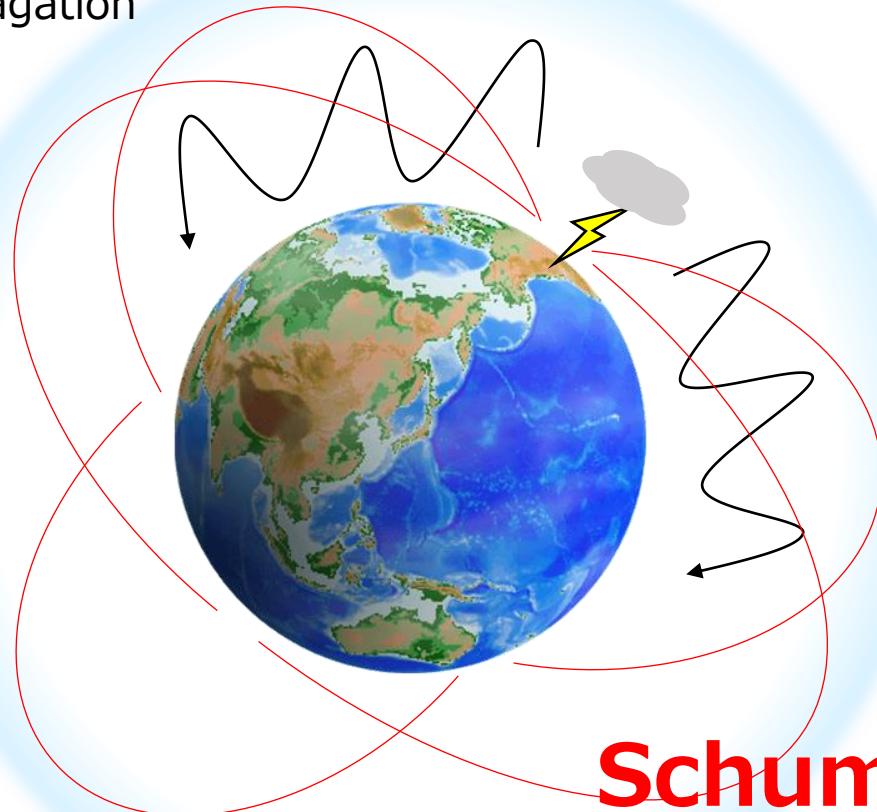
Atmospheric  
Electric Field

Cosmic-ray

Multiple factors?

# Global Electric Circuit (GEC)

ELF/VLF waveguide  
propagation



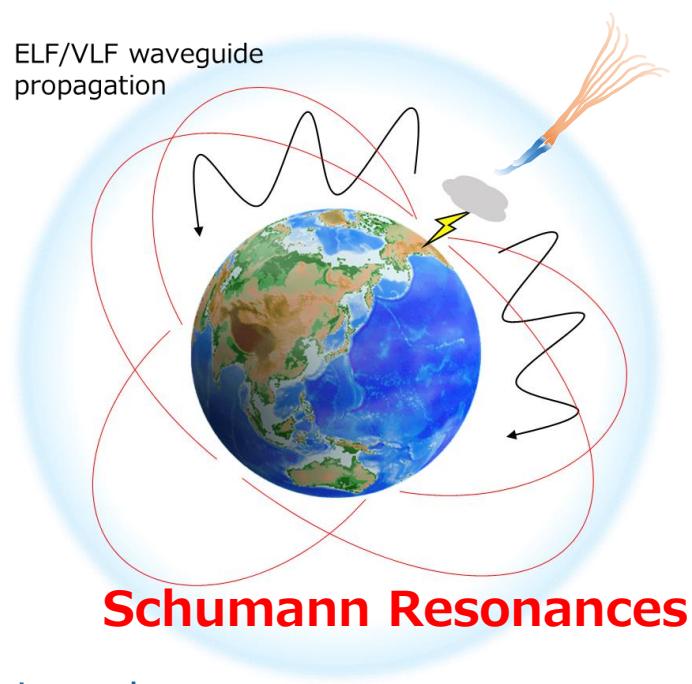
**Schumann Resonances**

**Temperature**  
↔  
High correlation  
(Williams, Science, 1992)

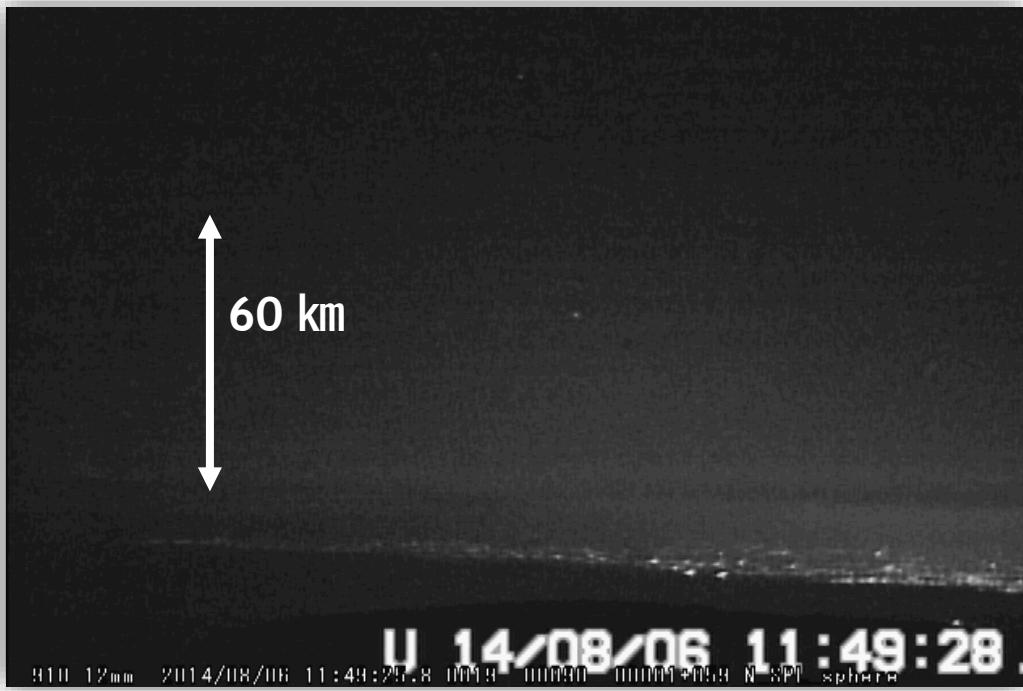
Ionosphere

# Transient luminous events (TLEs)

Global warming mission



Gigantic-Jet at summit of Mt. Fuji, Japan



TLE emit TLEs emit 10 times stronger ELF wave than Schumann resonances



We investigate how much TLE event influence on the Schumann resonance intensity for global warming study.

# Plan A : Schumann resonance and TLE observation

<Detector and object >

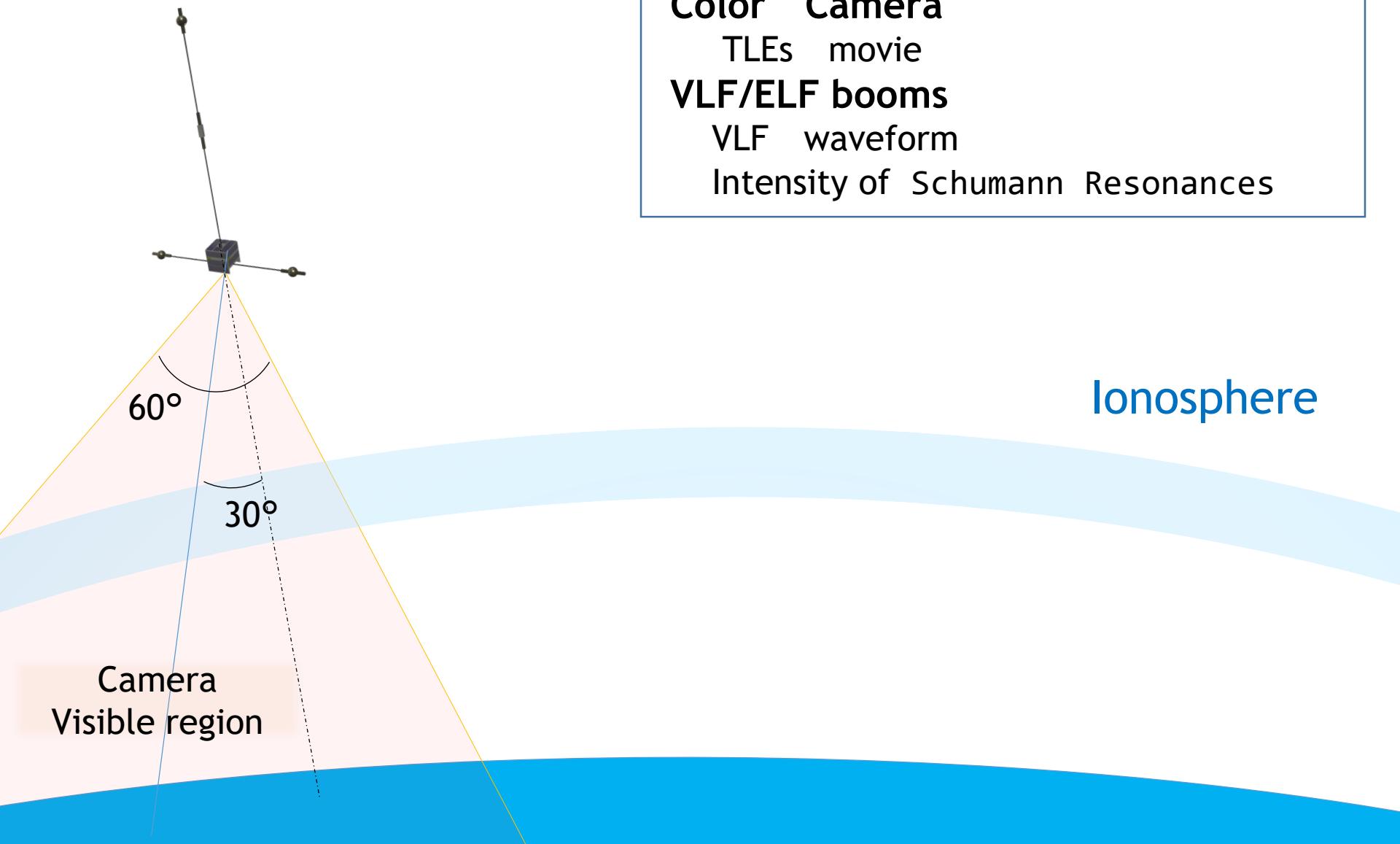
**Color Camera**

TLEs movie

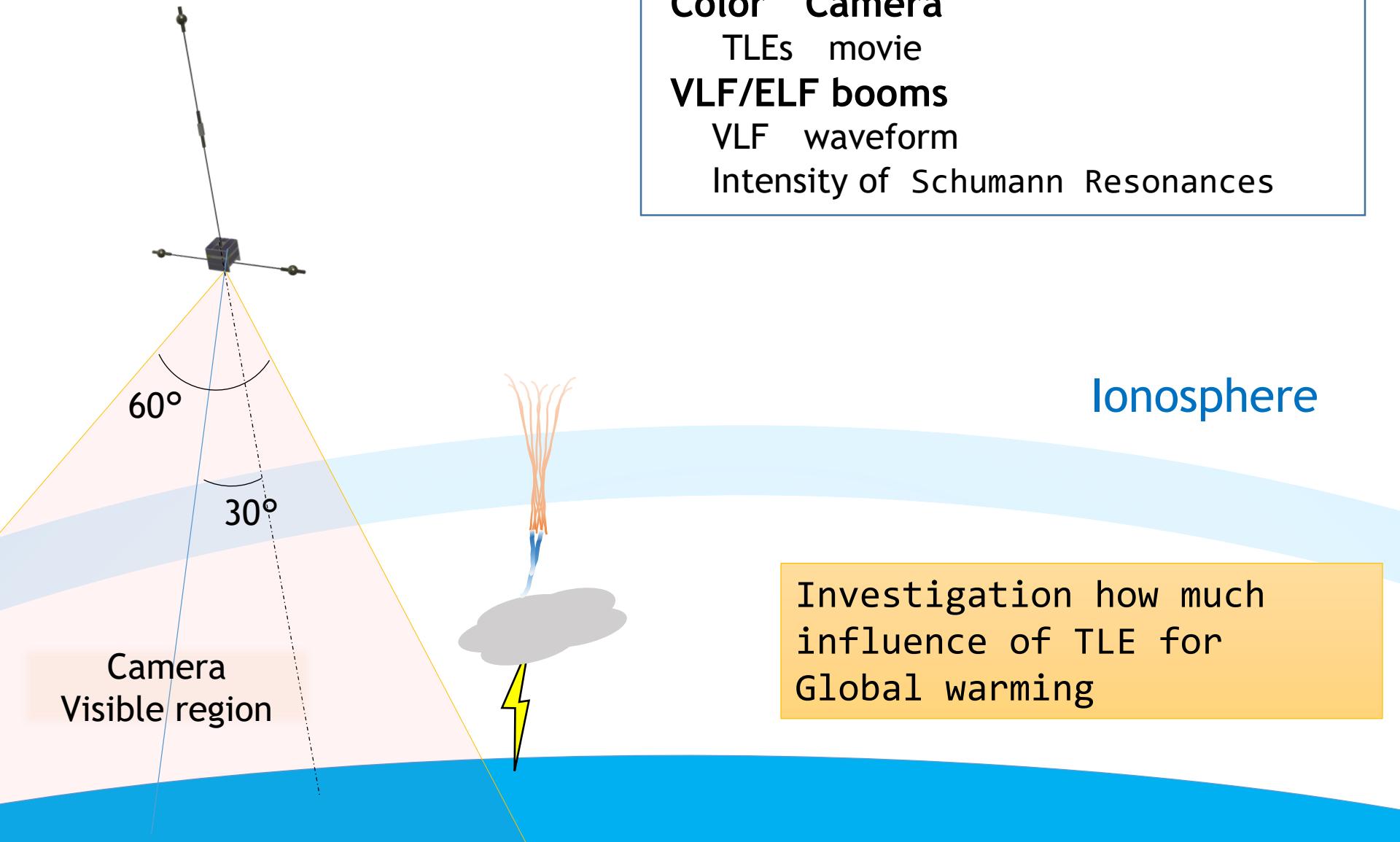
**VLF/ELF booms**

VLF waveform

Intensity of Schumann Resonances

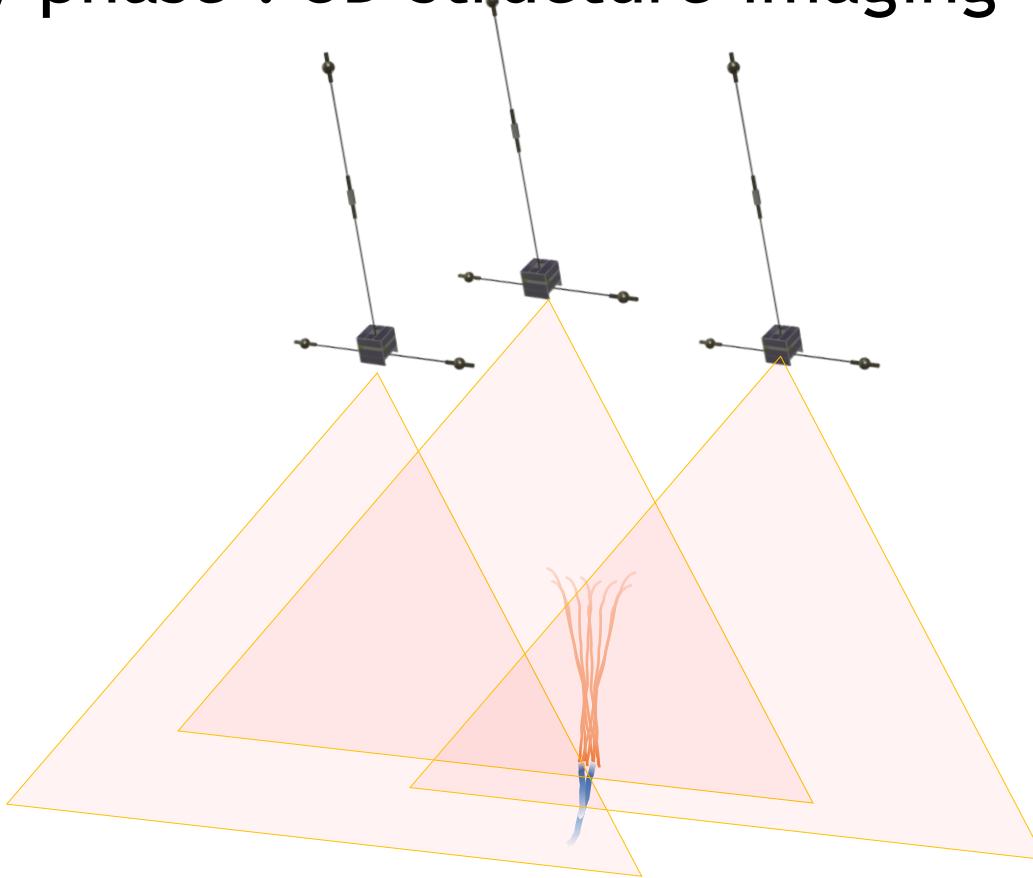


# Plan A : Schumann resonance and TLE observation



# Plan B

## Early phase : 3D structure imaging



- Constructing 3D structure
- Investigating discharge current for GEC study

# Operation Sequence

Earth quake mission

Latitude distribution

Longitude distribution

Feasibility test

100 events

Tsunami mission

Vertical density Profile

Real time monitoring

Lightning mission

Verification of Lightning prediction

TOA

Global warming mission

Temperature monitoring

3 D construction

放出

1 year

2 year

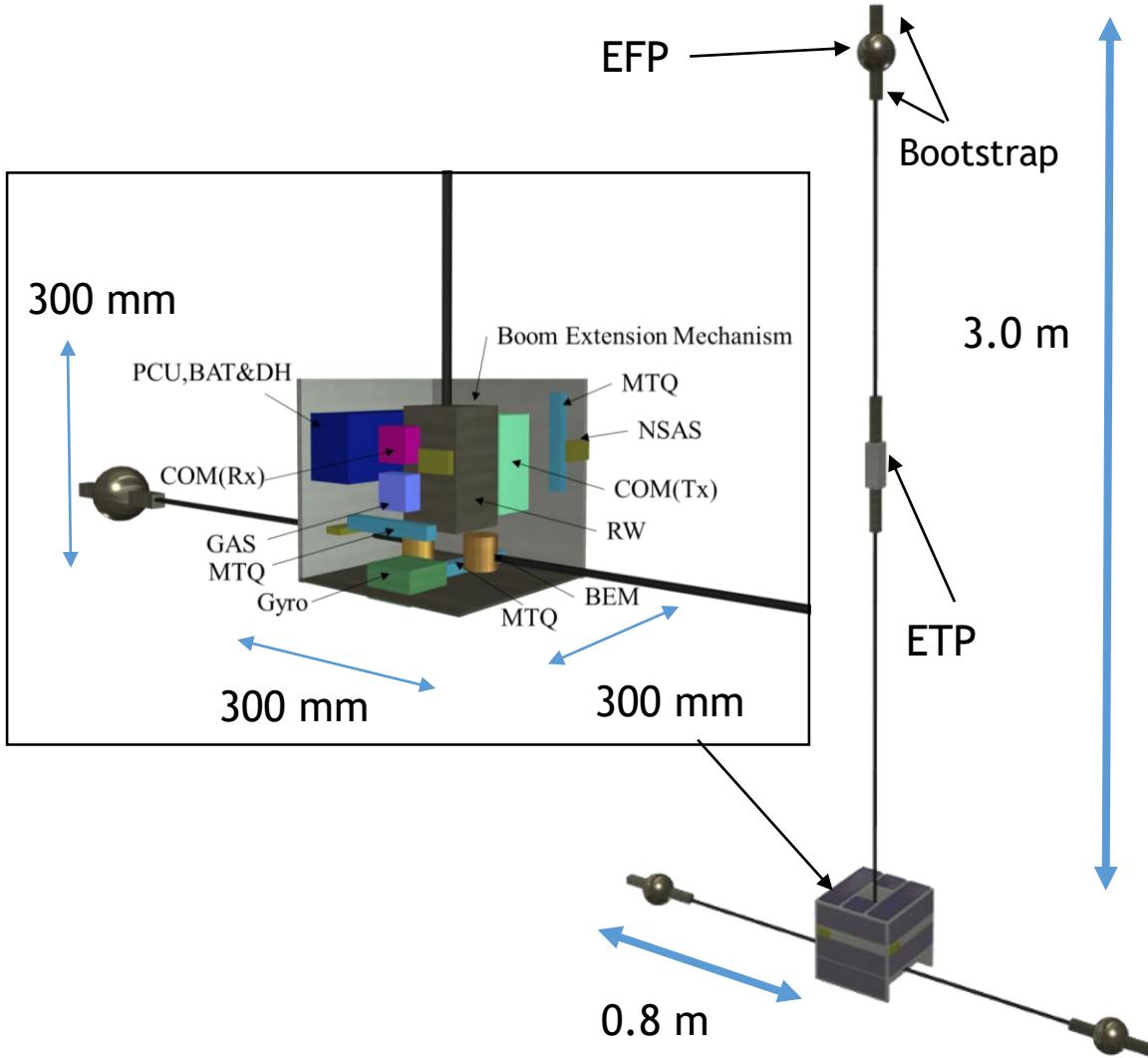


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	Transmitter and Receiver	1	0.74	TX ON: 4.6
				TX OFF: 1
DH	On-board Computer	1	0.8	5
ADCS	Geomagnetic Acquisition Sensor	1	0.14	0.1
	NSAS	6	0.3	0.9
	MEMS Gyro	1	0.2	0.3
	IR Earth Sensor	1	0.03	0.13
	Magnetic Torquer	3	1.2	1.5
	Reaction Wheel	3	3.3	2.1
Mission	EFP	3	0.3	0.3
	ETP	1	0.1	0.2
	CSI	2	9.4	0.8
	OPC	1	0.02	1
	GTO	1	0.2	1.5
STR	HEATER	1	0.1	1
	STRUCTURE + Harness	1	16.97	N/A
	BOOM (Long)	1	1.1	N/A
	BOOM (Short)	2	1.4	N/A
TOTAL			40	20.9

# Spacecraft System Overview

## Components layout



Boom



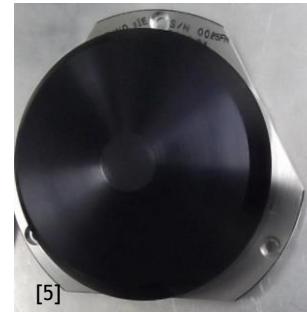
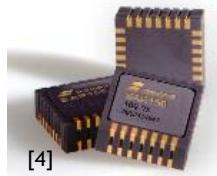
First natural frequency of longer boom is estimated to be around 3 Hz.

# Attitude Determination and Control

Mission requirement for electric field measurement

	determination	Control
DC	1	7
AC	5	37

(degree)



- Attitude determination with
  - 6-sun sensors
  - Earth sensor (or star sensor)
  - 3-axes geomagnetic aspect sensor
  - 3-axes mems gyro
- Zero-momentum control with 3 axis RWs
- Unloading with 3-axes magnetic torquers
- **Avoidance of the boom natural frequency**

[1] <http://www.axelspace.com>

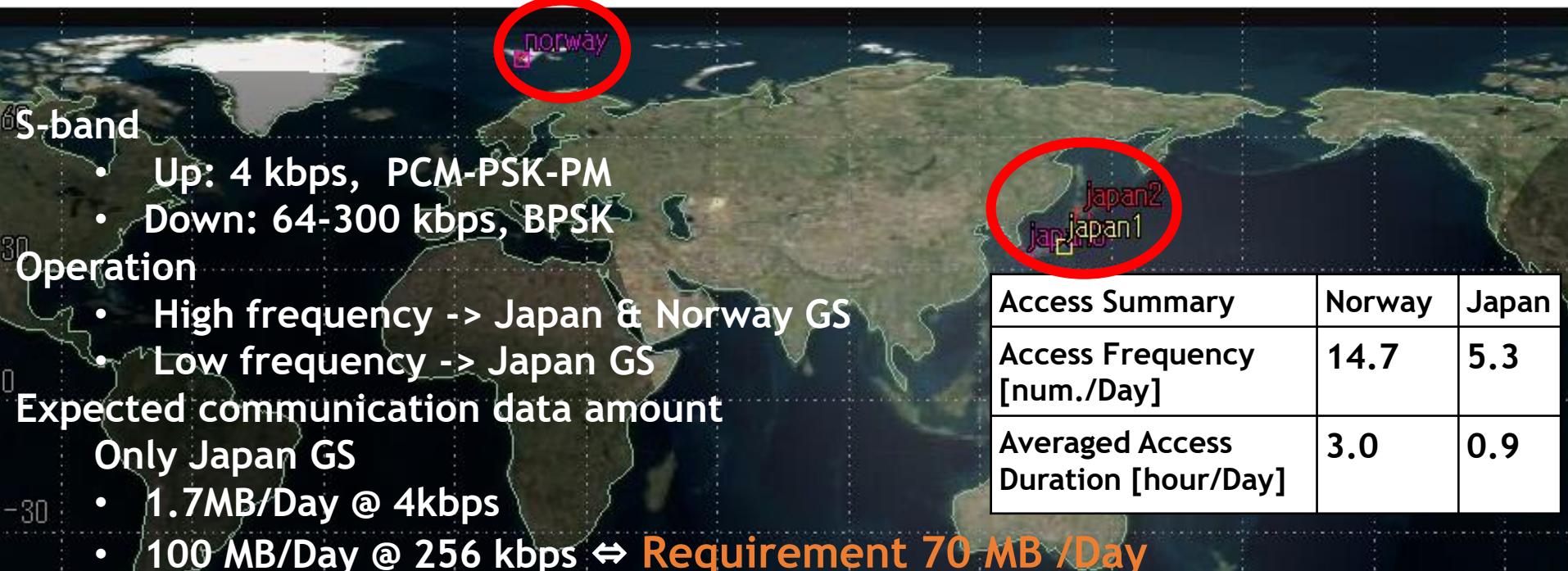
[2] Kaplan. C., LEO Satellites: Attitude Determination and Control Components ; Some Linear Attitude Control Techniques

[3] <http://www.tierra.co.jp/>

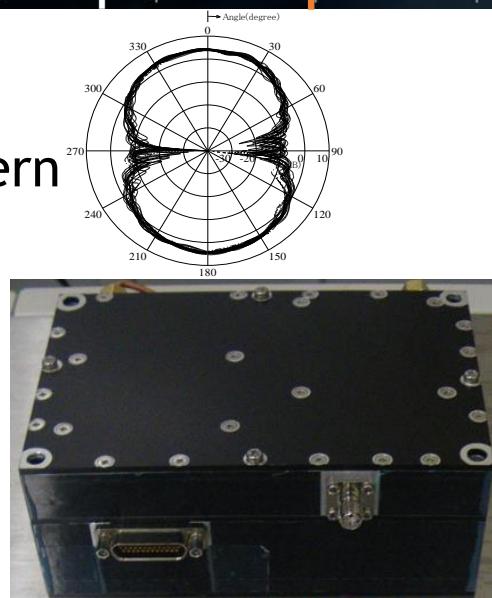
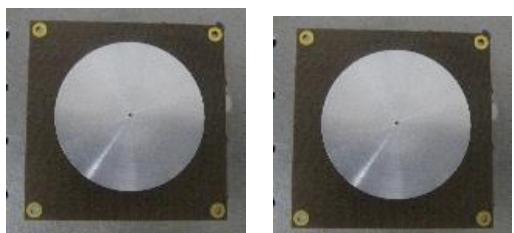
[4] <http://www.sensonor.com/>

[5] <https://makesat.com/products/reaction-wheel>

# Communication



2 patch antenna  
-> omni antenna pattern  
for emergency



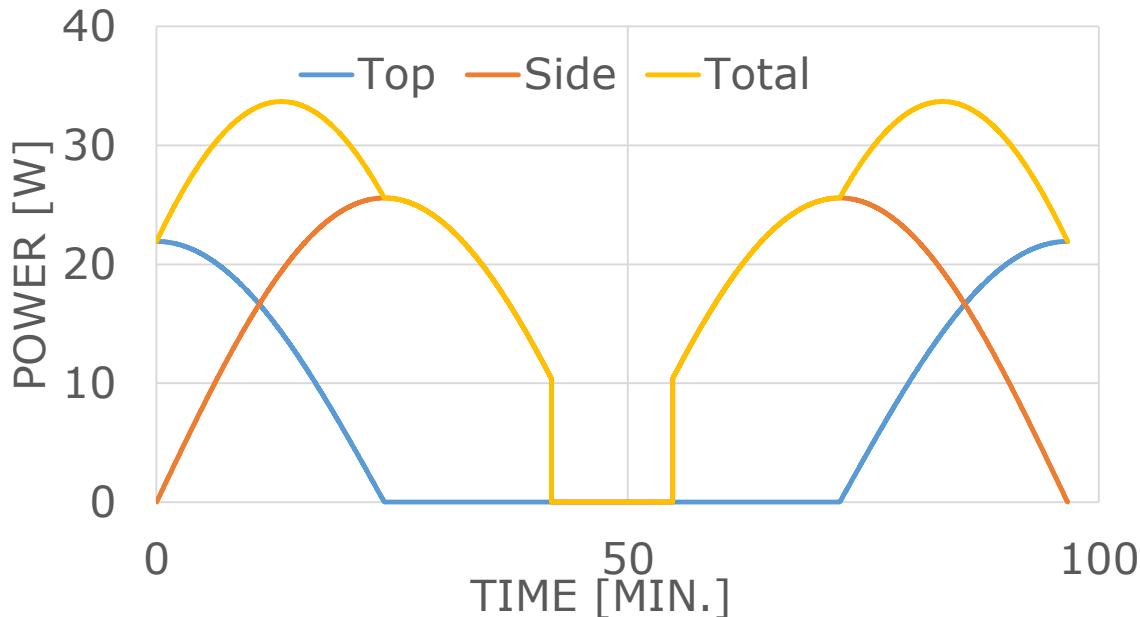
- Downlink Link Margin @ 256kbps
- Larger than 0 dB for worst case
- Uplink Link Margin
- Larger than 10 dB for worst case

Enough Link Margin,  
Enough data communication amount

# Power

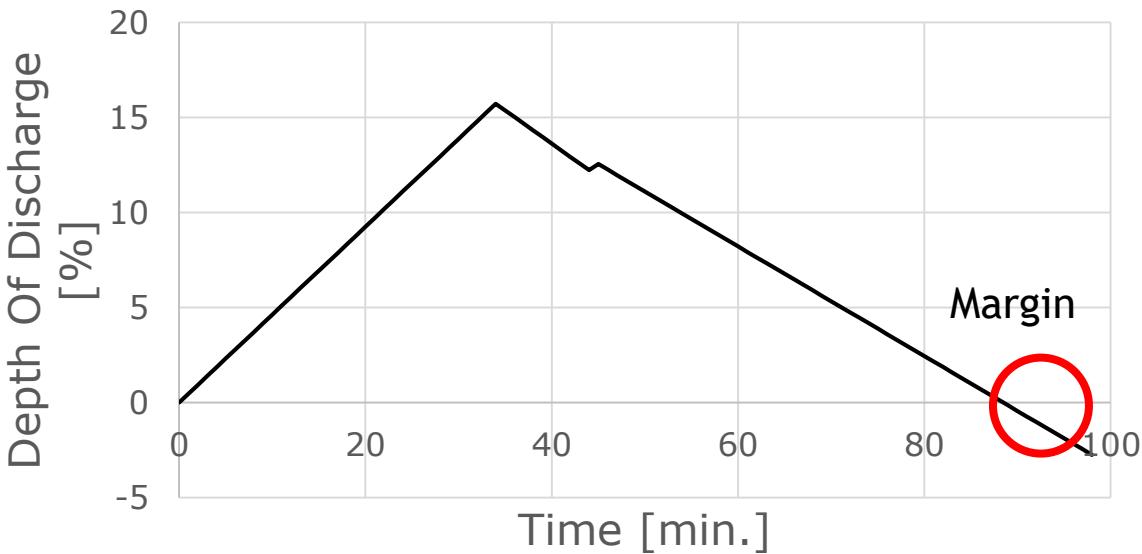
Maximum Power Supply  
-> 34 w

## Generating power



Body mount (7S2P / 7S3P)  
(Solar cells are covered with SnO<sub>2</sub>)

## Power Balance



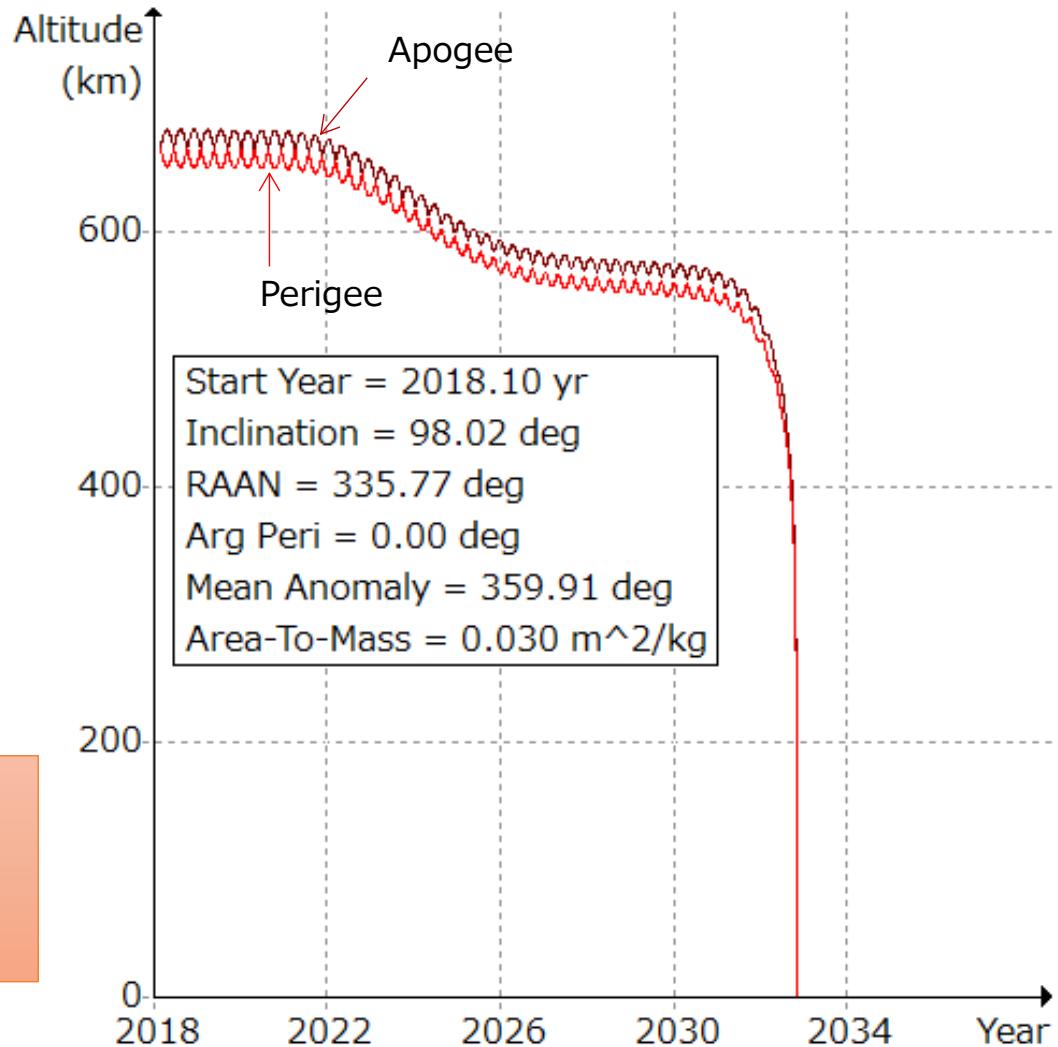
# De-orbiting Analysis

DOM-1500



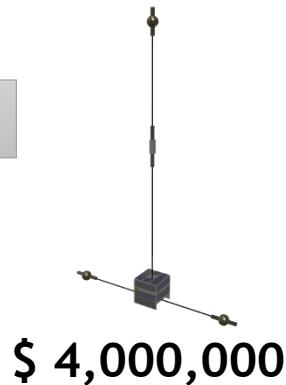
Effective Area :  
total surface area /4

De-orbiting can be achieved  
within 20 years



# Cost Estimate and Funding

Plan A



Plan B



## Team and Funding Sources:

Several university groups

Competitive scientific research funding

e.g. Grant-in-Aid for Scientific

Research (KAKENHI)

International university group

Several national institute in Japan

Space Agency: JAXA

National project



# 10 years after our mission ....



# Concluding remarks

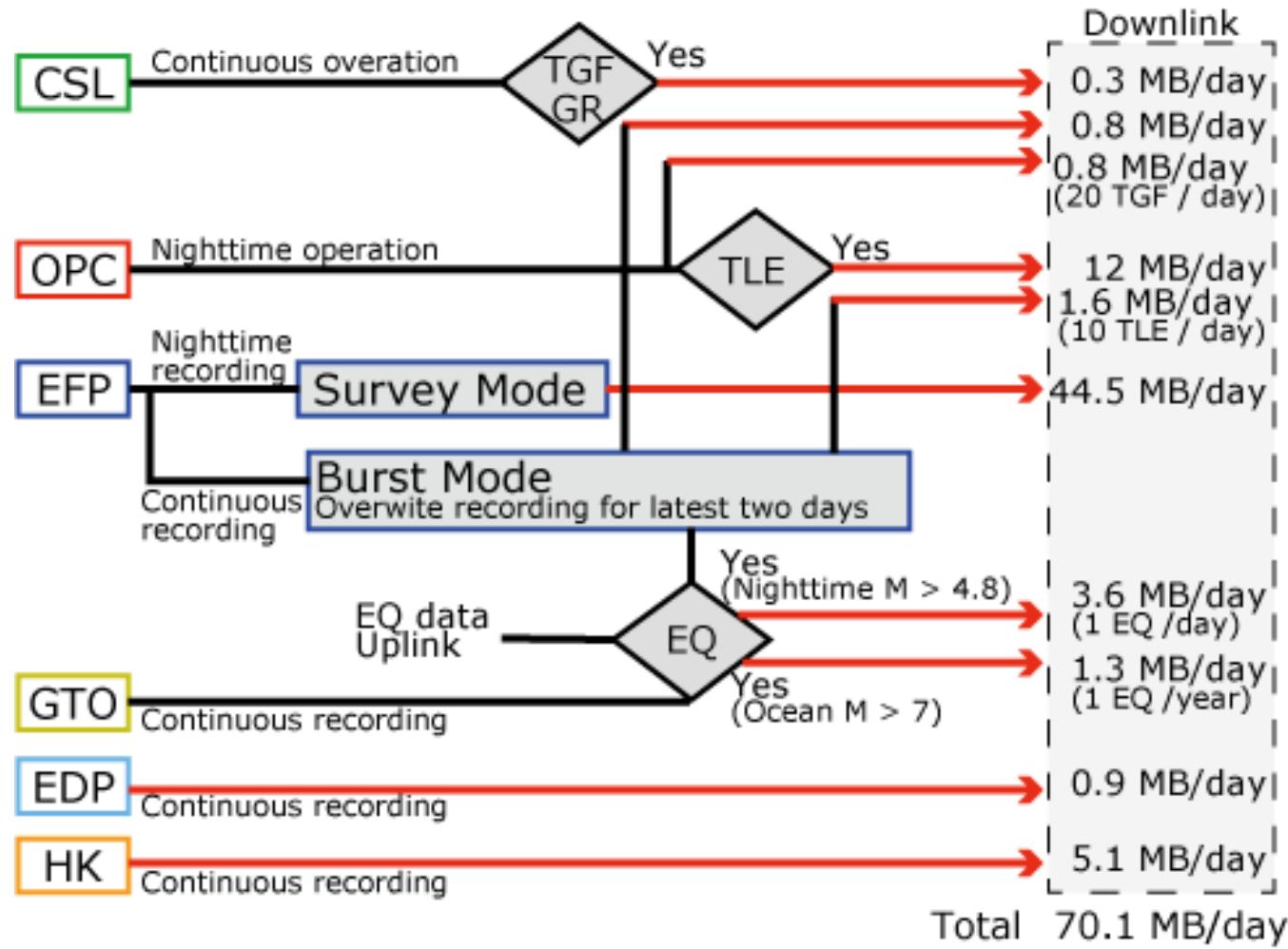
- Natural disasters often produce signals of atmospheric and space electricity before and after the event.
- Electricity monitoring is applicable to other natural disasters such as land sliding, volcano eruption, and forest fire.
- Space-based monitoring of such signals contributes to mitigate the disaster.
- On-board electromagnetic measurement is small, simple and matured technology and low cost.
- This project will show “innovative science” using microsatellites.

**Thank you for your attention!!**

Disturbance Estimation                    -> 0.14Nms/rev

Gravity gradient	$0.16 \times 10^{-5}$	Nm
Solar Radiation Pressure	$0.0022 \times 10^{-5}$	Nm
Residual magnetism	$2.3 \times 10^{-5}$	Nm
Aerodynamic	$0.011 \times 10^{-5}$	Nm

# Mission data



# boom



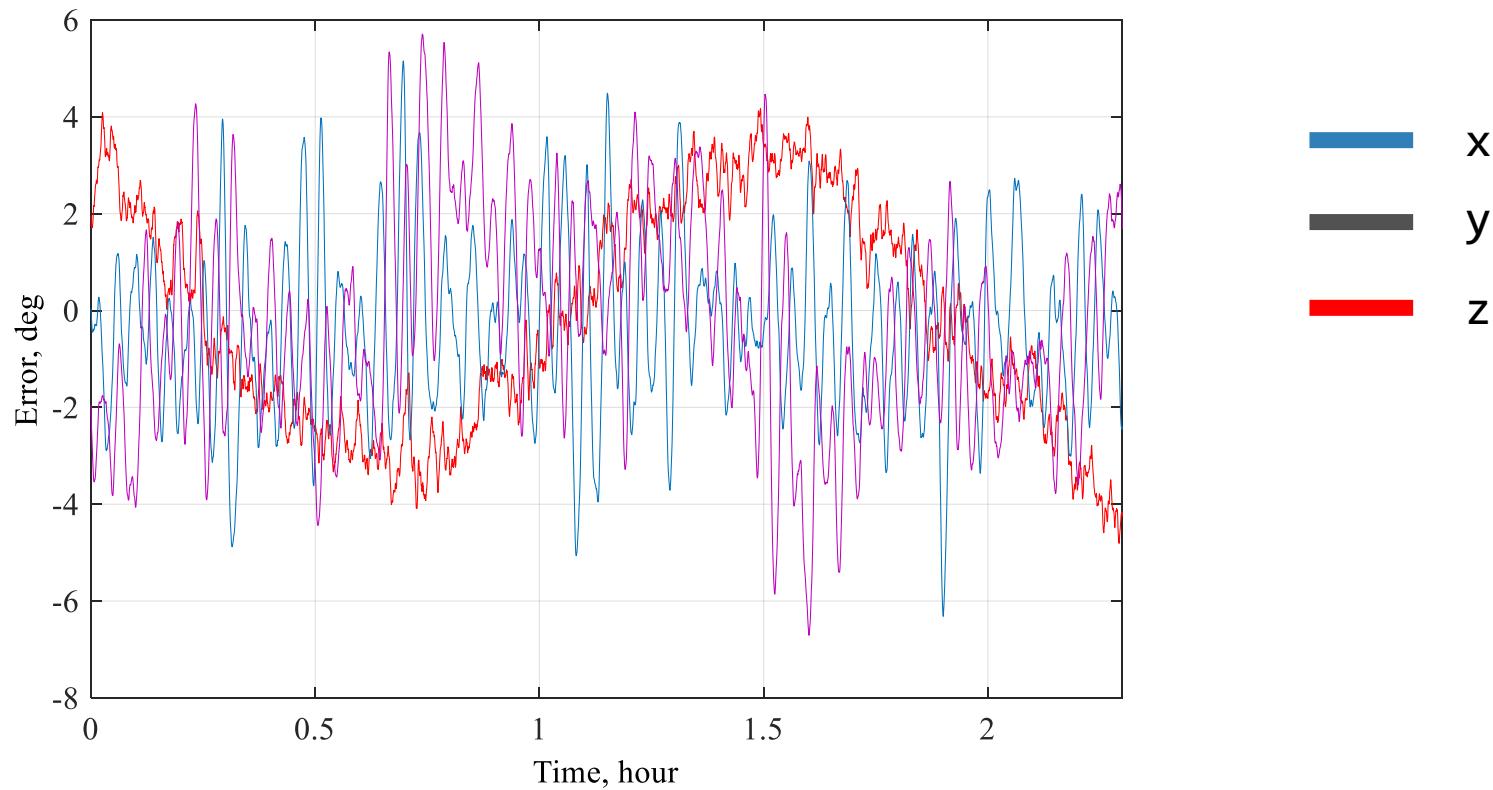
[1] <http://www.i-qps.net/i-qps/service.html>

[2] Yokomatsu et al; Deployment Experiments on Stiffened Tri-axial Tubular CFRP Boom for Boom-Membrane Integrated Space Structures

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# Simulation Results of Attitude Control incl. determination error

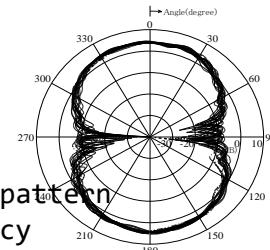


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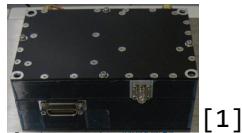
- S-band system
  - Up: 4 kbps, PCM-PSK-PM
  - Down: 64-300 kbps, BPSK
- Japan and Norway GS
- Expected communication data amount
  - 7MB/Day @ 4kbps
  - 530 MB/Day @ 300kbps



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Downlink Link Margin @ 256kbps

	Unit	min	max
Transmit EIRP	dBW	-7.13	-1.63
Transmitter Power	W	0.300	0.300
Internal Loss	dB	-3.9	-3.9
Antenna Gain	dBi	2	7.5
Free propagation range	km	2485.20	666.00
Atmospheric absorption loss	dB	-0.00305	-0.00305
Rain fade	dB	-0.08	-0.00557
Receiving G/T	dB/K	6.54	6.54
Antenna Gain	dBi	35.58	35.58
Internal Loss	dB	-2.50	-2.50
System noise temp.	K	450	450
Receiving C/N0	dBHz	60.54	77.55
Required Eb/N0(BER : 10 <sup>-5</sup> )	dB	6	6
Symbol Rate	kbps	256	256
Required C/N0	dBHz	-60.08	-60.08
Hardware loss	dB	-1.5	-1.5
Link Margin	dB	0.20	17.21

## Access Summary

	Norway	Japan
Access Frequency [num./Day]	14.7	5.3
Averaged Access Duration [hour/Day]	3.0	0.9



[1]

## Uplink Link Margin

	Unit	min	max	Command Margin	min	max	
Transmitter Power	W	10	10	Required Eb/No	9.303	9.303	dB
Internal Loss	dB	-0.9	-0.9	Modulation Loss	11.14	11.14	dB
Antenna Gain	dBi	36.2	36.2	Demodulation Loss	2.4	2.4	dB
Transmit EIRP	dBW	45.3	45.3	Coding Gain	2.498	2.498	dB
Free propagation range	km	2485. 2	666	Required C/No	56.36	56.36	dBHz
Free propagation loss	dB	-166.8 155.33	-	Link Margin	11.3 3	22.78	dB
Atmospheric absorption loss	dB	-0.003	-0.003				
Rain fade	dB	-0.079	-0.079	Carrier Margin	min	max	
Antenna Gain	dBi	-10	-10	Required S/N	10.00	10.00	dB
Internal Loss	dB	-0.90	-0.90	Modulation Loss	2.325	2.325	dB

Enough Link Margin, Enough data communication

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System noise temp.	K	700	700	Required C/No	42.32	42.32	dB
Received G/T	dB/K	-39.35	-39.35	<b>Link Margin</b>	<b>25.37</b>	<b>36.81</b>	dB
Received C/N0	dBHz	67.70	79.13				

Mass	40 kg
Volume	300 x 300 x 300 mm
Maximum Power Supply	34 W, Body mount (7S2P / 7S3P) (Solar cells are covered with SnO <sub>2</sub> )
Power storage	5.8 Ah (Max DOD:15.7 %)
Lifetime	2 year
ADCS	Attitude Determination Accuracy 1° NSAS(6), GAS(1), MEMS Gyro(1), IR Earth Sensor(1)
	Attitude Control Accuracy 7° RW(3), MTQ(3)
COM	S-band Up: 4 kbps, PCM-PSK-PM Down: 64-300 kbps, BPSK
Ground Station	Norway (Svalbard) , Japan

	Plan A	Plan B
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,000,000</b>	<b>30,000,000</b>
Mission Payloads		
Satellite Bus		
IA&T		
Ground Systems		
Project Management & SE		

# Funding Sources

Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research (KAKENHI)

- Up to 300 M JPY expected
- Funded Tohoku University's SPRITE-SAT

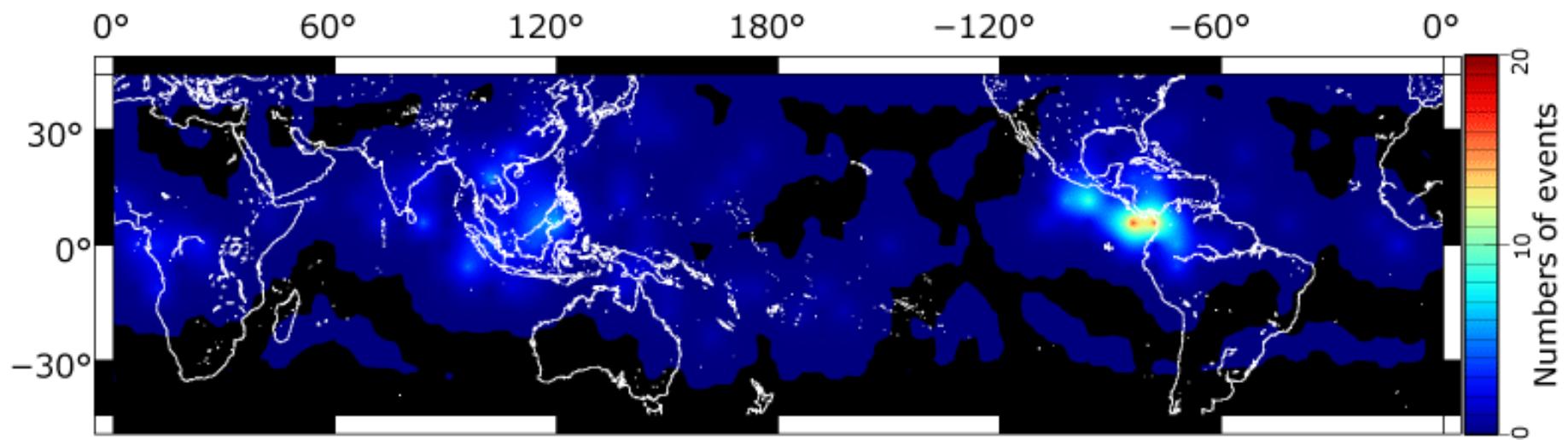


Official Development Assistance (ODA)

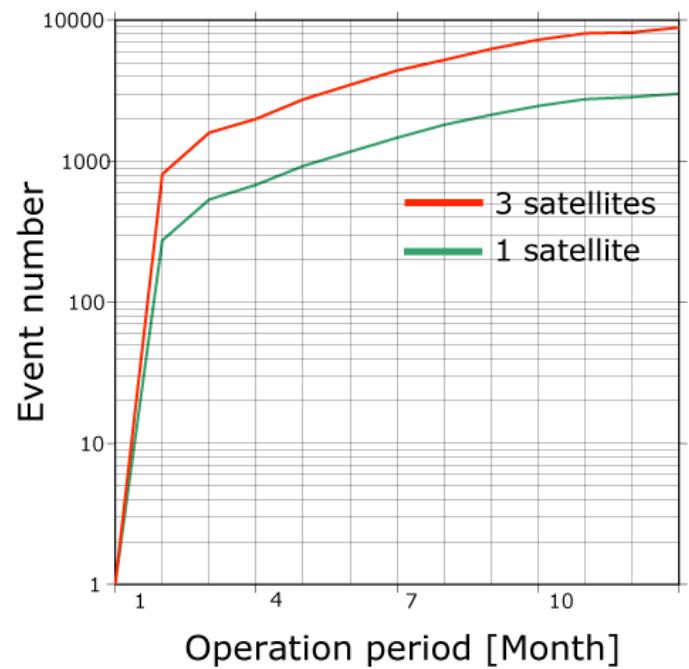
- First case: 40 B JPY to Vietnam
- Especially for countries participating in UNISEC's CanSat Leadership Training Program

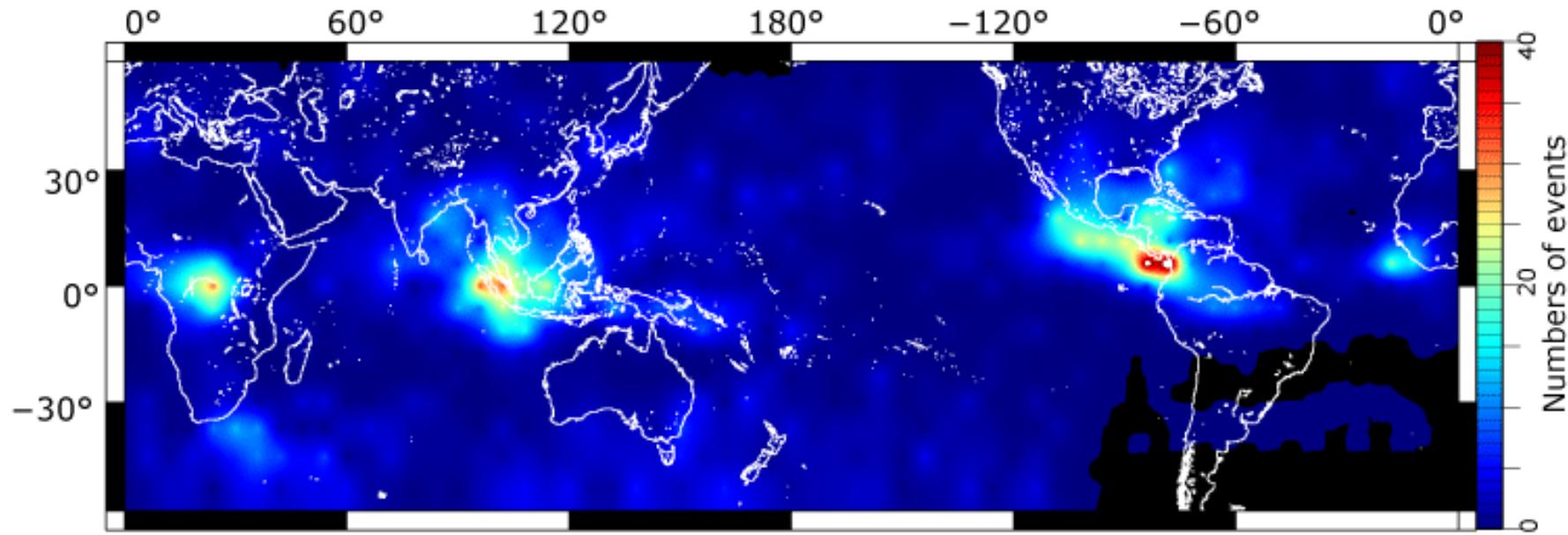


Proposal will be submitted to JSPS (KAKENHI) this month by Prof. Kamogawa for next fiscal year funding.

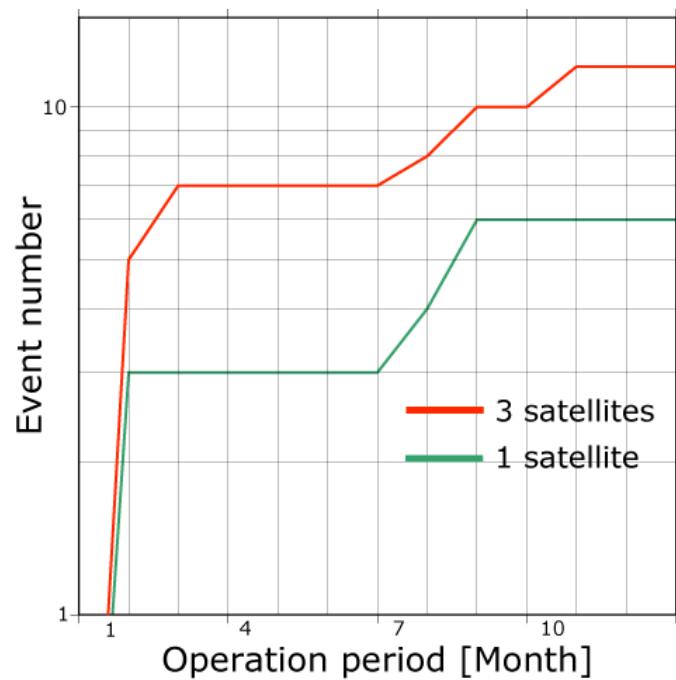


## TLE map and Event number

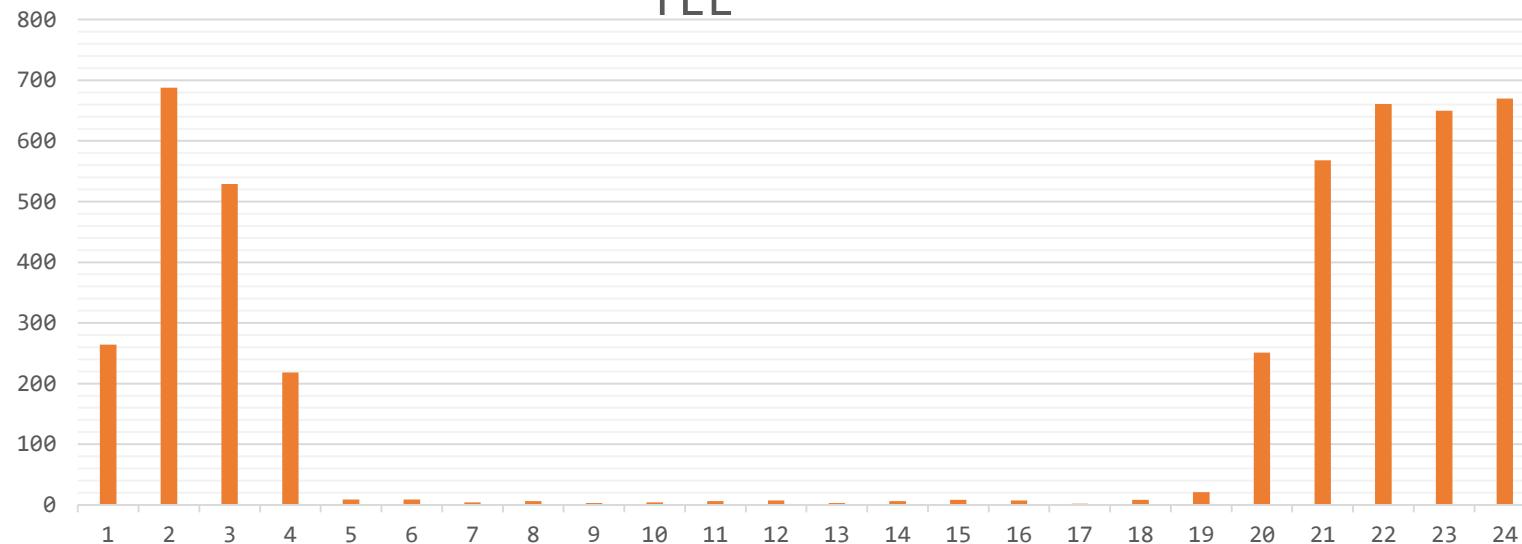




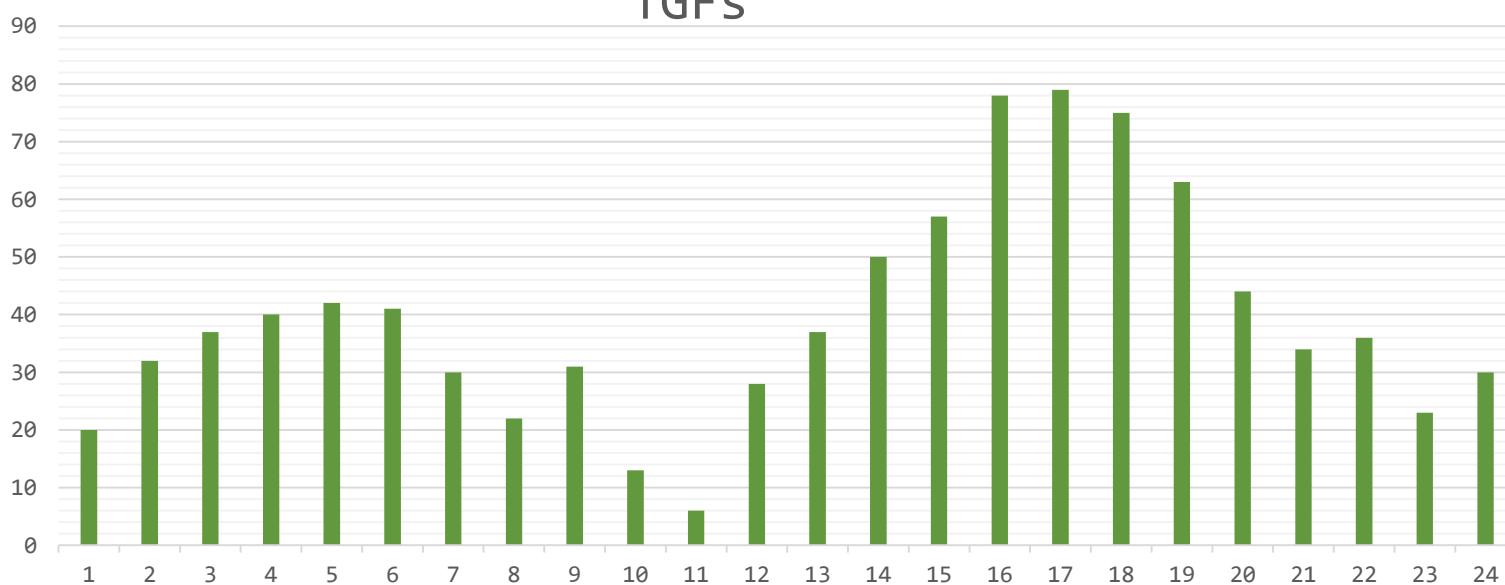
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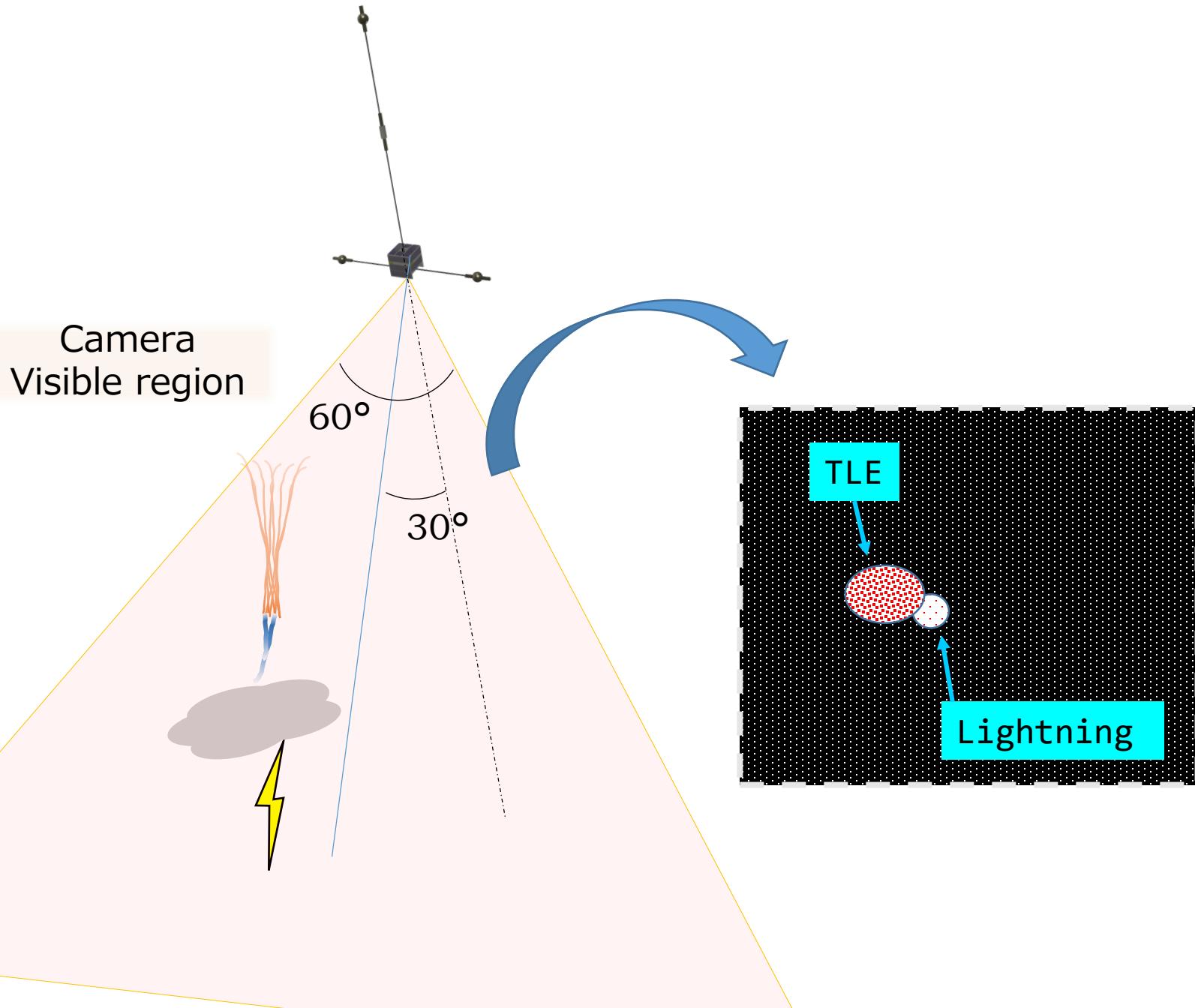


### TLE



### TGFs





# How to estimate TGF and TLE events

# Purpose estimation of detect number using orbit calculation

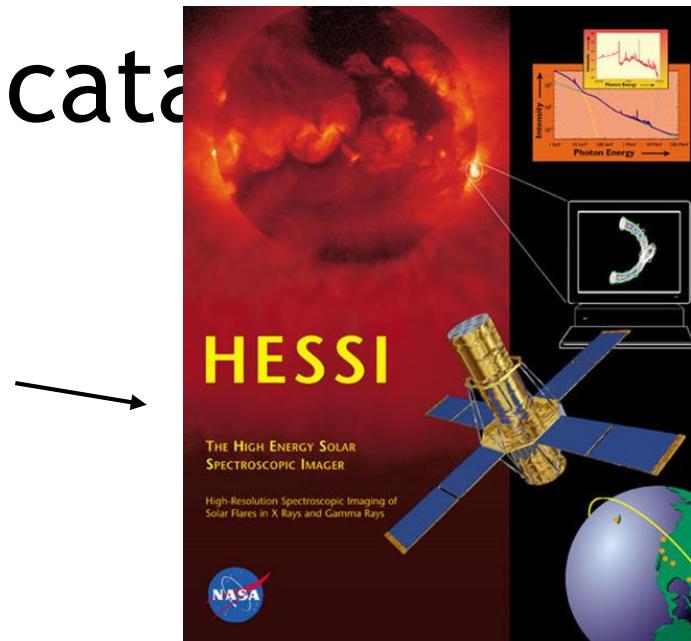
→ We need global catalog

	Ground observation
Lightning	WWLLN
Earthquake	USGS
TGF	



JEM-GLIMS  
mission

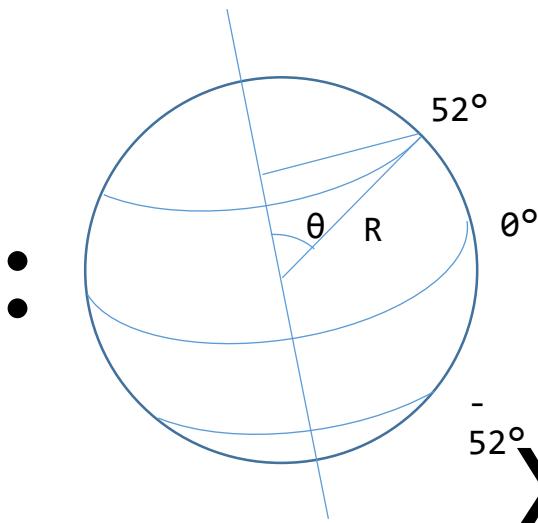
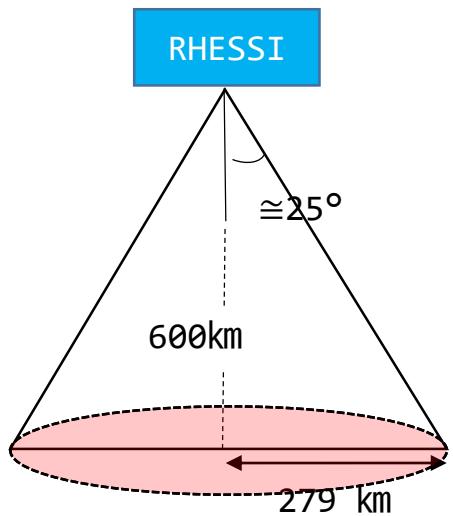
[http://www.nasa.gov/mission\\_pages/station/research/experiments/121.html](http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/station/research/experiments/121.html)



<http://hesperia.gsfc.nasa.gov/rhe>

- Satellite have only visible data then
  - We estimated whole events by rate of satellite detectable area and orbital area.

# Estimation of whole data amount



= 975 :

$$X = 6.92 \times 10^5$$

Visible area :  $S_1$

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= \pi r^2 = 3.14 * 279 * 279 \\ &= 2.44 \times 10^5 \text{ [km}^2\text{]} \end{aligned}$$

Orbital area :  $S_2$

$$\begin{aligned} S_2 &= 2 * \int_0^{(90-38)^\circ} 2\pi R \sin\theta * R d\theta \\ &= 4\pi R^2 [1 - \cos\theta]_0^{52^\circ} \\ &= 4 * 3.14 * 6371 * 6371 * (1 - 0.61) \\ &= 1.98 \times 10^8 \text{ [km}^2\text{]} \end{aligned}$$

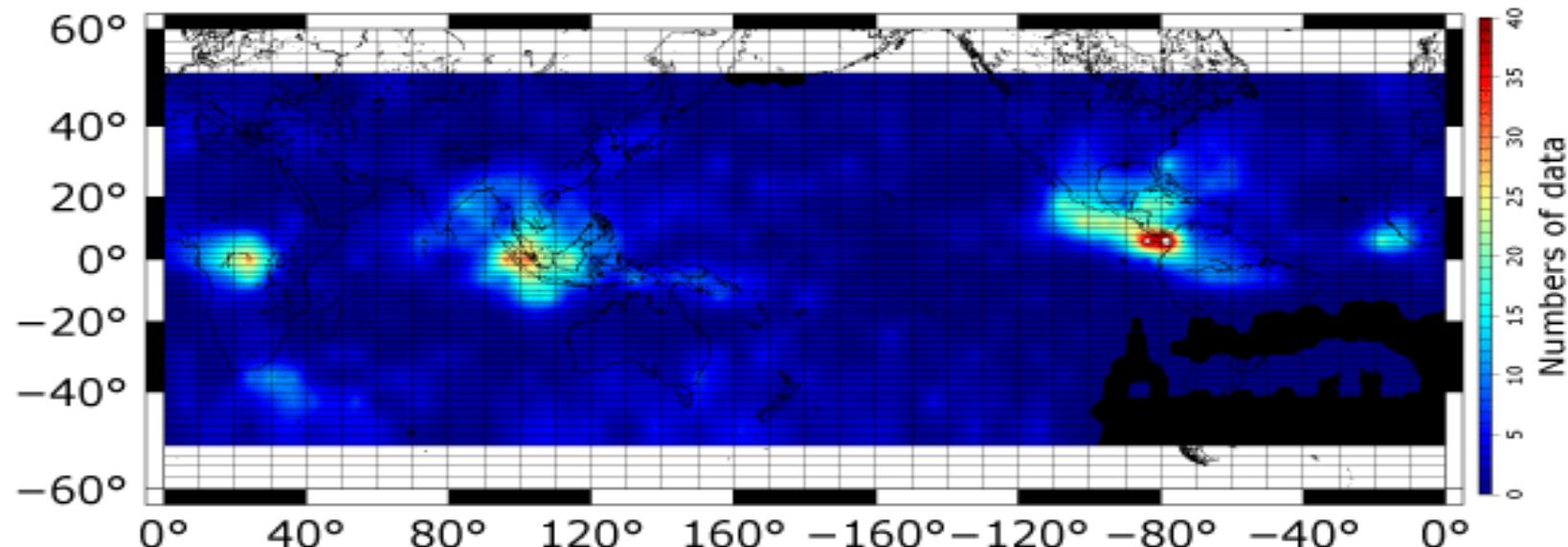
# How to make TGF standard model

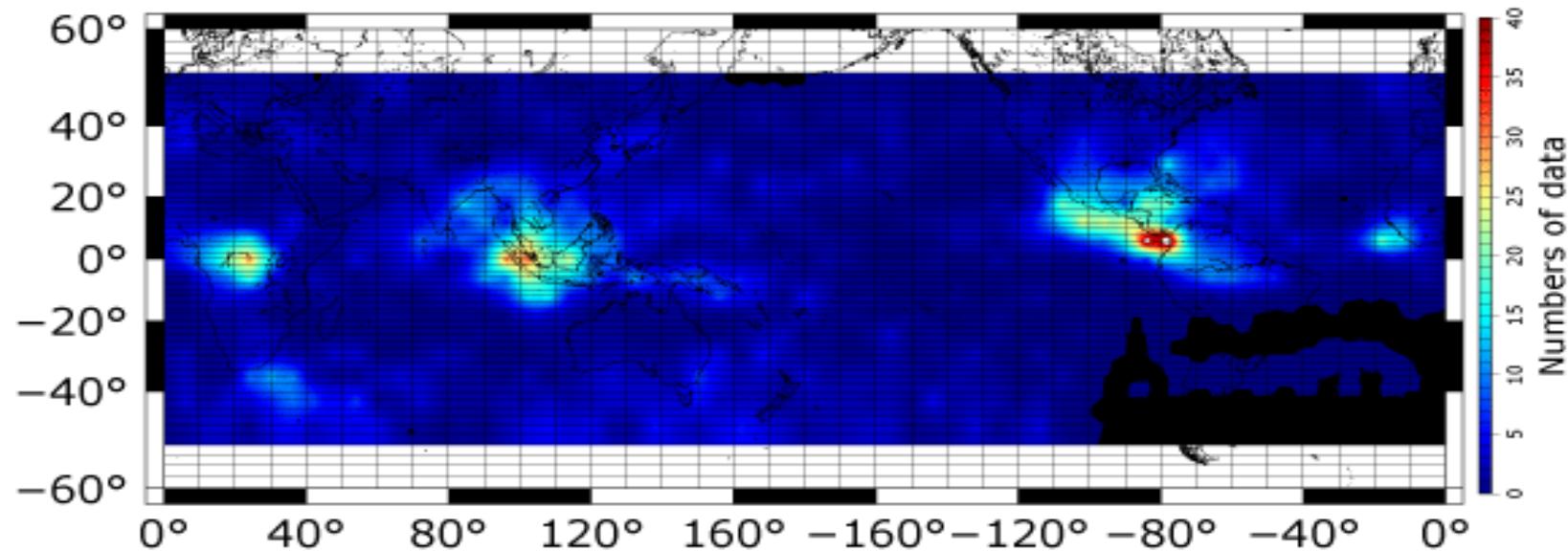
1) Download data set as follows.

[http://scipp.ucsc.edu/~dsmith/tgflib\\_public/data/](http://scipp.ucsc.edu/~dsmith/tgflib_public/data/)

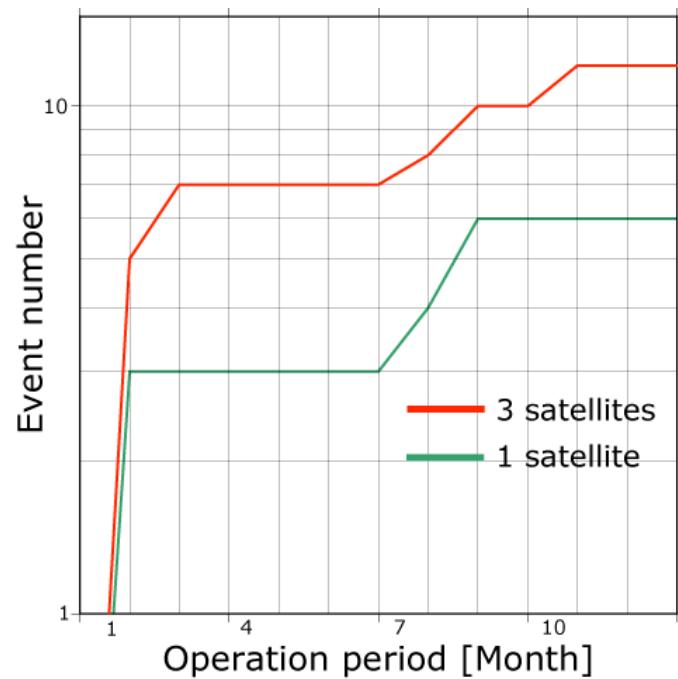
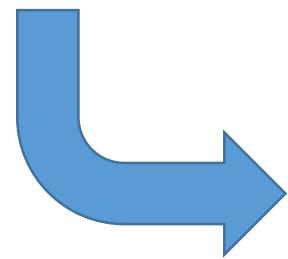
2) Separate events in bin

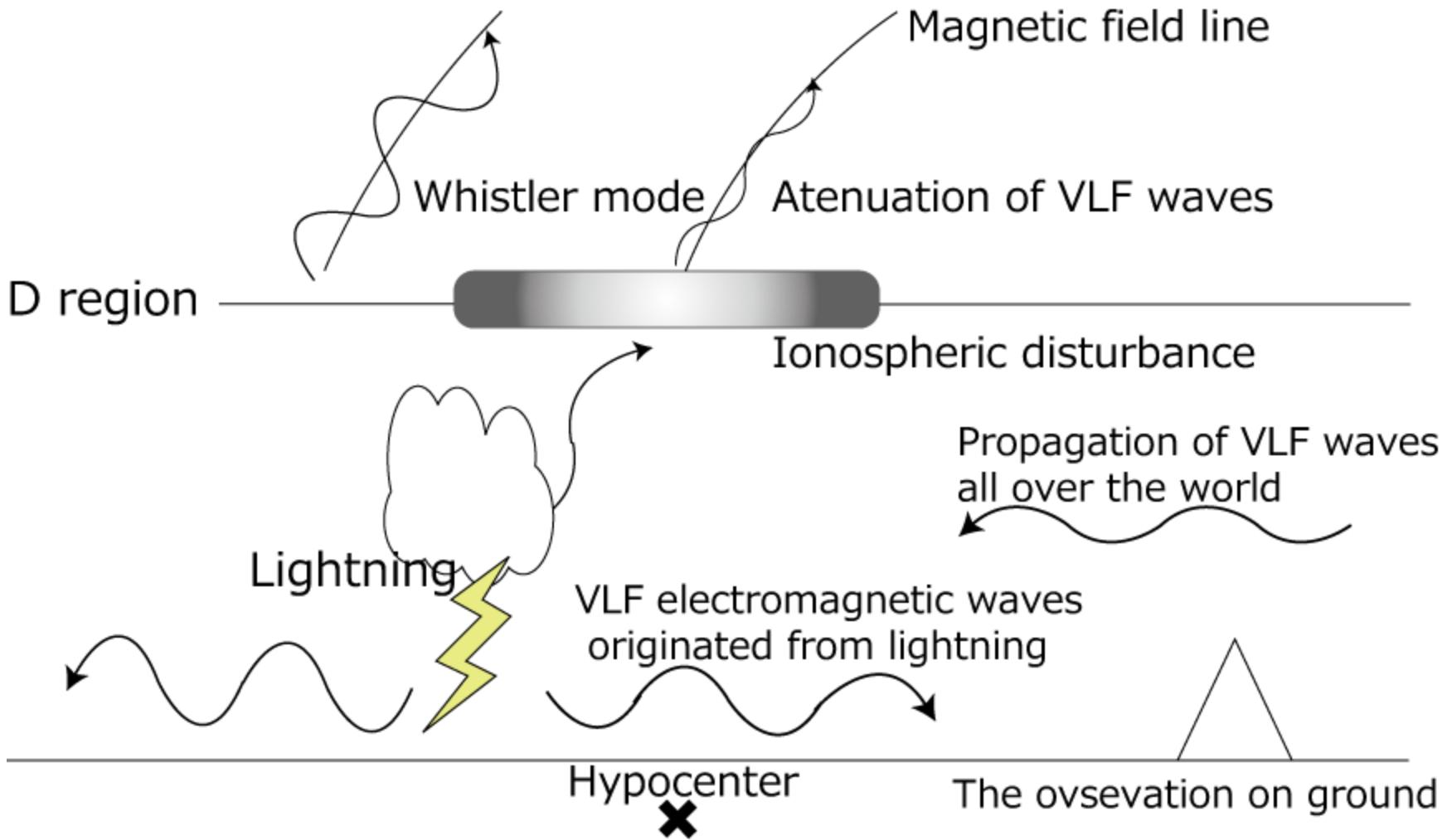
- a) Space : 6 ° ( longitudinal and latitudinal)
- b) Season : Summer ( 5 ~ 10 ) and Winter ( 11 ~ 4 )
- c) Time zone : Day ( LT 6 ~ 18 ) and Night ( LT 0 ~6, 18 ~ 24 )

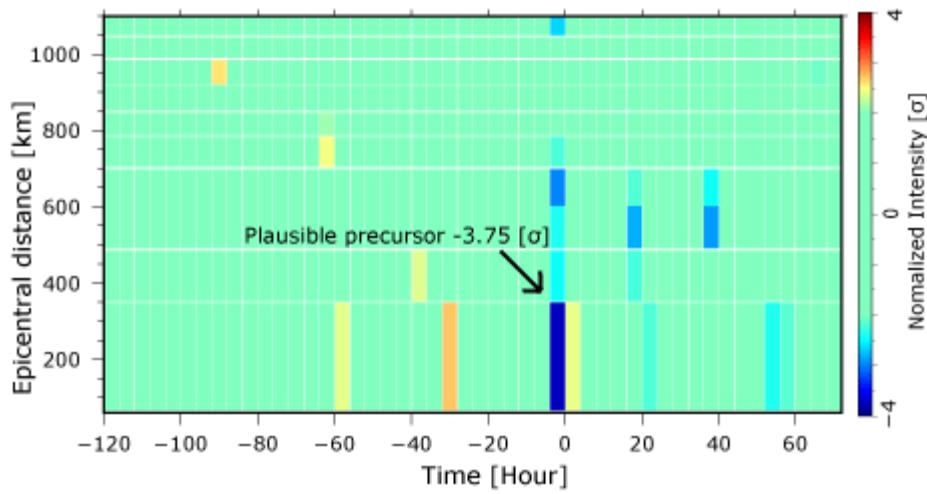




Orbit calculation  
Using GOSAT







(a)

