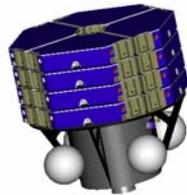


# SIRA Mission Overview

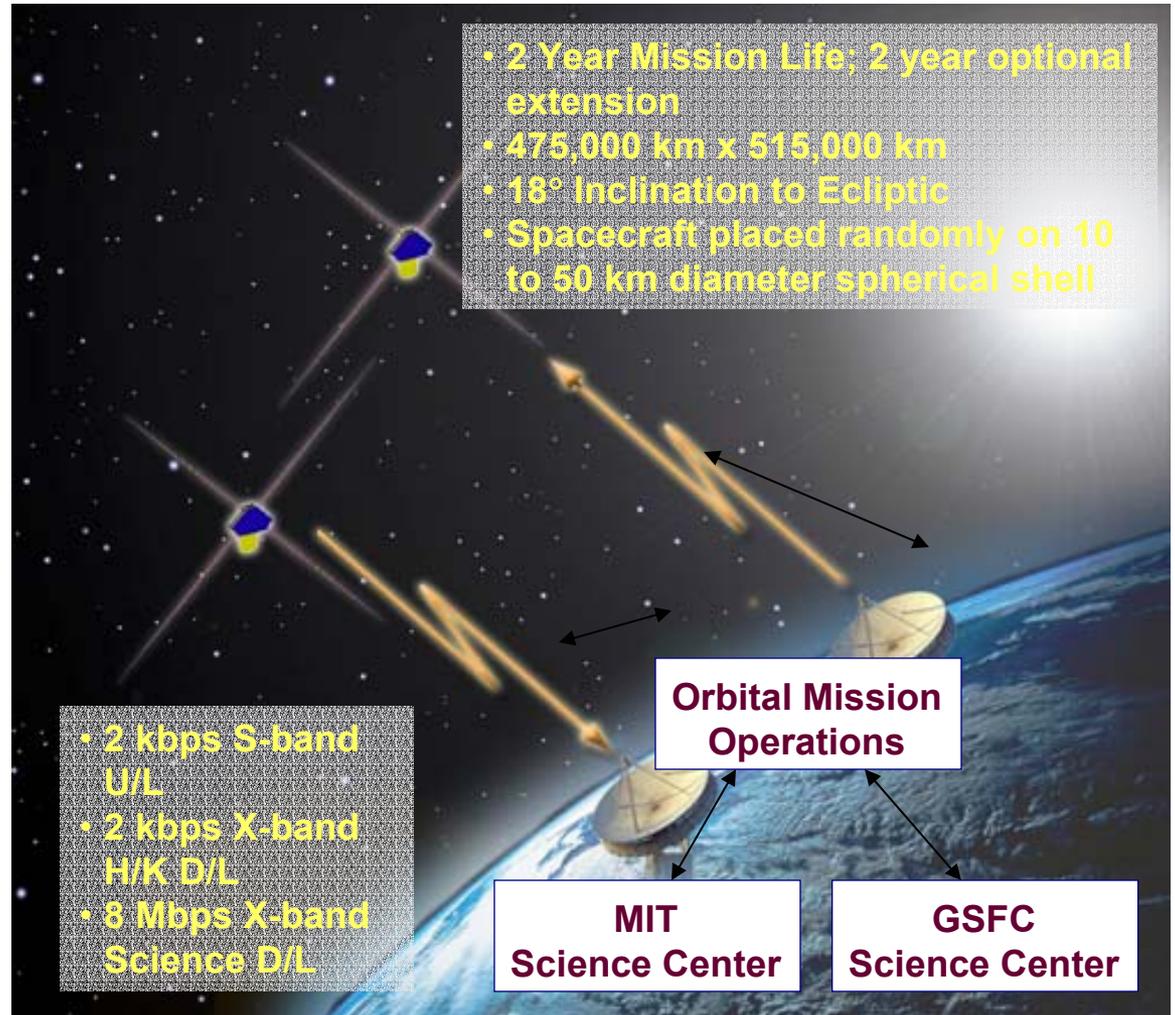
- Delta 7925 from KSC
- $C3=0.135 \text{ km}^2/\text{s}^2$
- Lunar Swingby to DRO orbit



- 12 to 16 Sun pointing Microsats
- Liquid bi-prop carrier

- 2 kbps S-band U/L
- 2 kbps X-band H/K D/L
- 8 Mbps X-band Science D/L

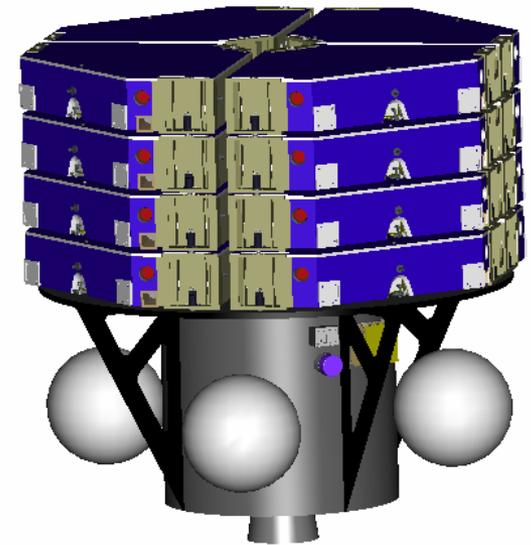
- 2 Year Mission Life; 2 year optional extension
- $475,000 \text{ km} \times 515,000 \text{ km}$
- $18^\circ$  Inclination to Ecliptic
- Spacecraft placed randomly on 10 to 50 km diameter spherical shell



# SIRA Space Segment Overview

- The SIRA Space Segment is a stack 12 to 16 Microstar based microsats with direct-to-ground communication plus a simple Carrier
- Each microsat is identical
  - Mass = 50.5 kg (Dry) (bus, payload, and contingency)
  - 3-axis control with star tracker attitude knowledge
  - 0.5 m<sup>2</sup> fixed solar array provides 117.5 W
    - ~0.2 m<sup>2</sup> edge solar array contributes power for stack
  - Single axis articulating X-band high gain antenna S-Band uplink, X-Band downlink
  - UHF ranging and timing distribution
  - Cold gas (GN2) propulsion
- Stacked launch configuration uses flight-proven ORBCOMM program separation mechanisms.
- Carrier based on Orbital's GEO spacecraft heritage
  - Liquid bi-propellant propulsion system has 500 m/s delta-V capability and has been flown successfully on Telkom-2 and PanAmSat. Currently in production.
  - Structure supports 2 to 16 microsats
  - Redundant 3-axis control from two of the microsats. Selection of control microsat is harness dependent.

*View of SIRA Stack during Transfer*



# SIRA Microsat Overview

- **Payload Accommodation**

- Switched 14V Power & Serial Data Interface

- **Mechanical**

- Al honeycomb wall with Al facesheets
  - Conductive surface reduces charging
- NEA enable plug for deployment safety

- **Propulsion**

- Blow-down Cold Gas w/(6) canted Thrusters for delta-V and ACS support

- **Thermal**

- Passive controls with heaters for battery

- **Attitude Determination and Control**

- 3 reaction wheels with star tracker
- Safe mode for >7 days

- **Power**

- Triple junction GaAs solar arrays
- Li-ion batteries

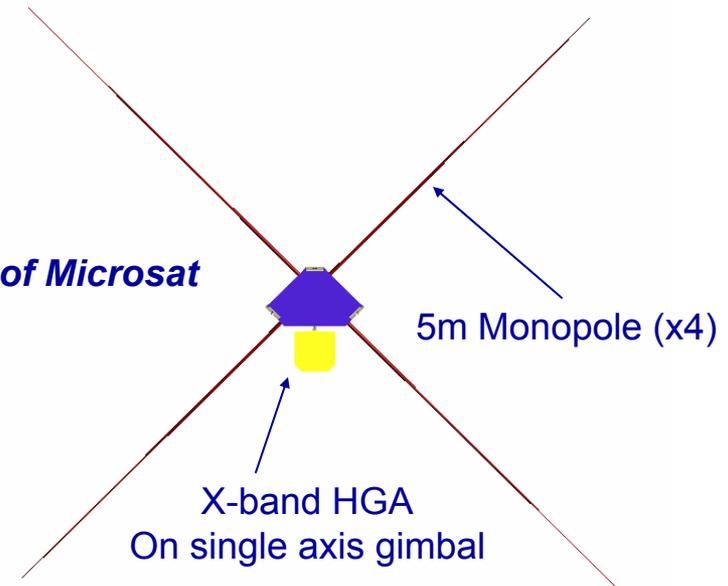
- **Command and Data**

- Absolute time stored commanding
- 40 Gbit (5 GB) Data storage

- **Communications and Ranging**

- S-band uplink at 2 kbps
- X-band downlink at 2 kbps (using omni) and 8 Mbps (using HGA)
- UHF Intermicrosat Ranging and Timing Distribution with OCXO for  $10^{-10}$  stability
- Space-Ground Ranging using 1-way Doppler ranging with DSN 34m net

*Sunward View of Microsat*



# SIRA Carrier Overview

- **Microsat Accommodation**

- 2 to 16 microsats
- Deployment Monitoring with RocketCam video system.
- Separation telemetry provided by flight proven bridgewire circuits.
- Control microsats self deploy on ground command

- **Command and Data**

- Stack commanded by two control microsats on the bottom layer
- Redundant commanding and telemetry collection

- **Communications**

- Microstar communication subsystem supports 2kps S-band uplink and 2 kbps X-band downlink

- **Attitude Determination and Control**

- Microstar star trackers supply attitude knowledge
- Control via thrusters

- **Mechanical**

- Primary Structure: Thrust tube and deck w/ Orbcomm separation system

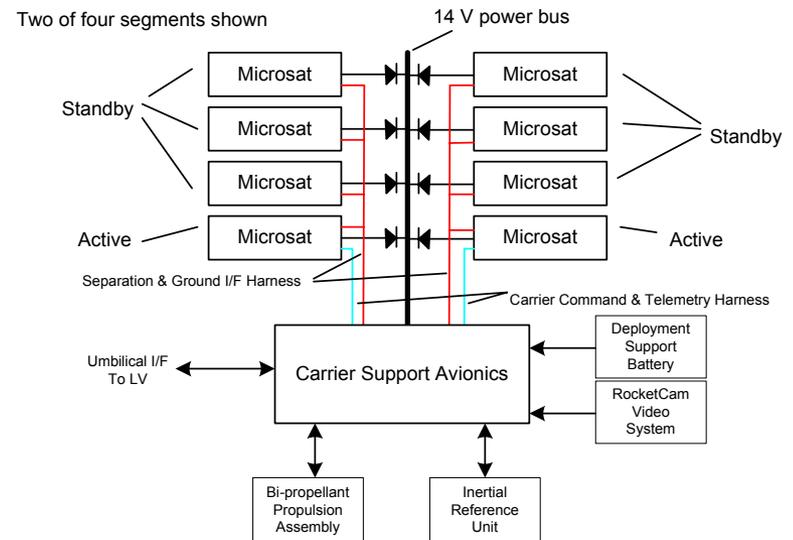
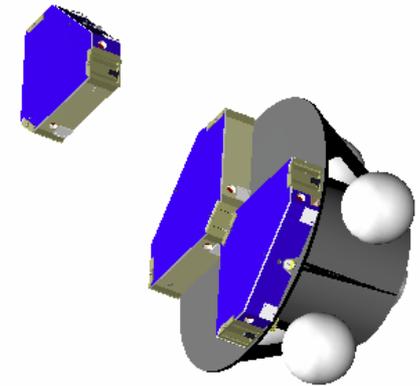
- **Propulsion**

- 450 N bi-propellant LAE (NTO & N2H4) & (4) 22 N thrusters

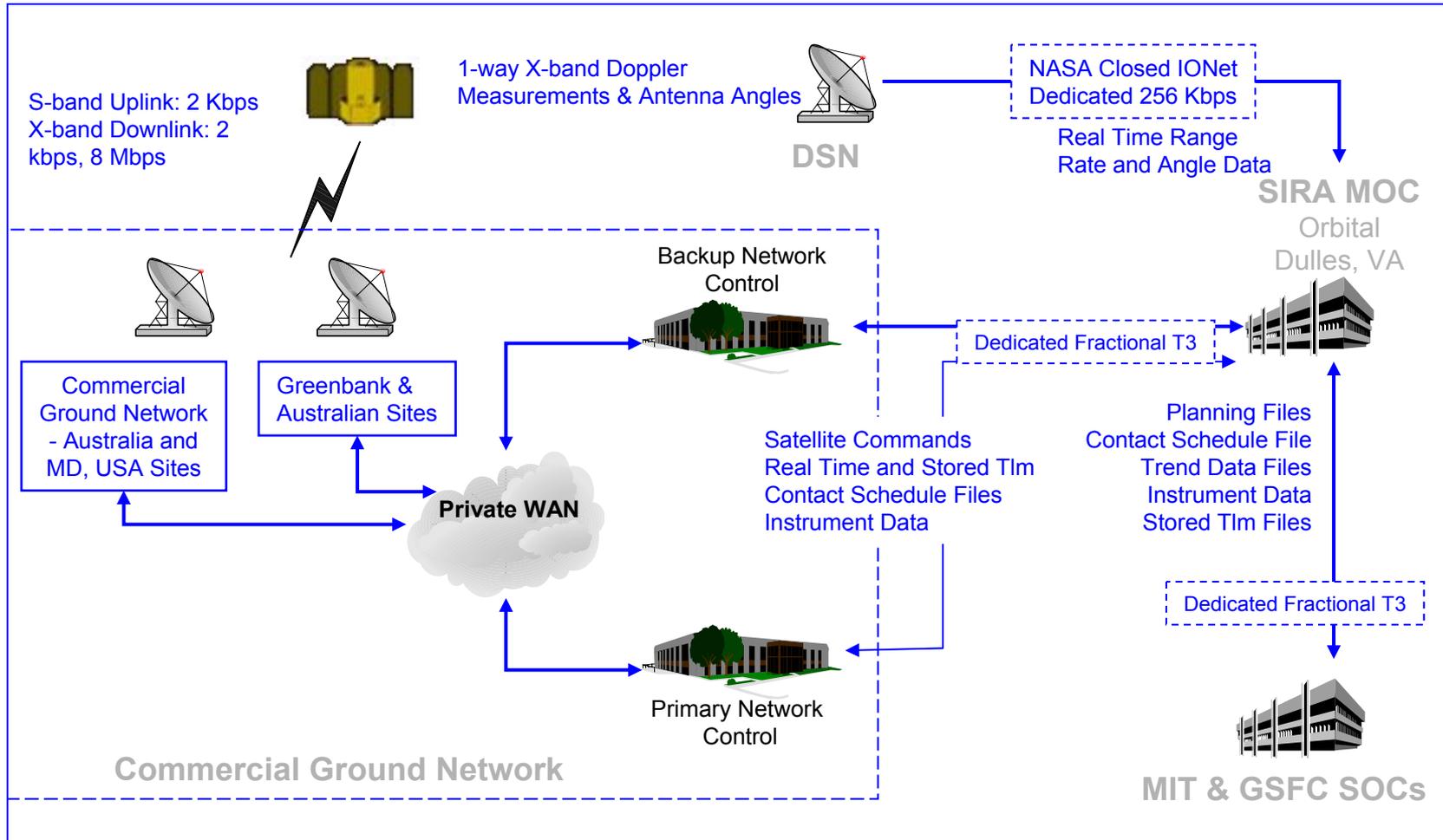
- **Power**

- Power from bussed 0.2 m<sup>2</sup> microsat edge arrays, batteries and deployment support battery

*Carrier with 2 control microsats & one just deployed*

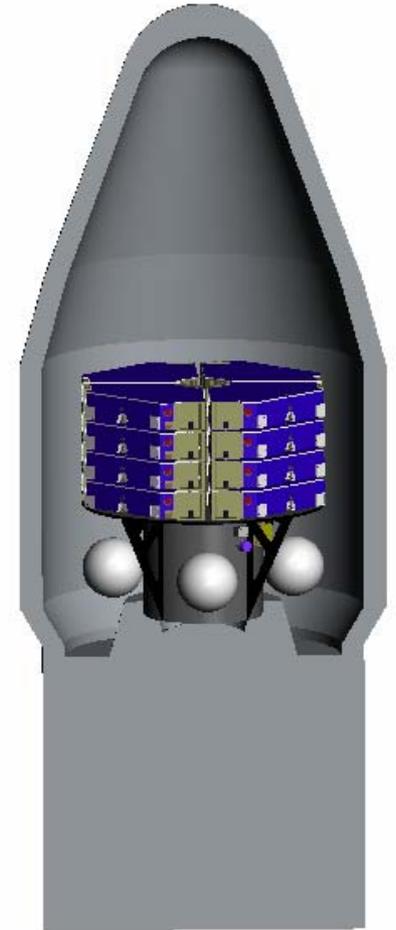


# SIRA Ground Segment Overview



# SIRA Launch and Transfer Overview

- **Launch on Boeing Delta II (7925)**
  - Stack fits comfortably in 2.9 m fairing using 3712 PAF
  - Interfaces for critical telemetry and battery charging
  - Standard Delta/launch range safety requirements
  - SIRA will radiate after LV separation
- **Launch to Transfer Trajectory**
  - 7925: 1250 kg launch capability for  $C3=0.135$ 
    - 12 to 14 microsats
  - 7925H: 1500 kg launch capability for  $C3=0.135$ 
    - Required to launch 16 microsats and meet mass margins
  - Despin stack to 1/2 rpm prior separation from LV
- **Delta-V budget**
  - Removal of launch residuals: 50 m/s
  - Correction for lunar flyby: 10 m/s
  - Post flyby correction: 10 m/s
  - DRO insertion burn 416 m/s



# SIRA Deployment and Formation Control Overview

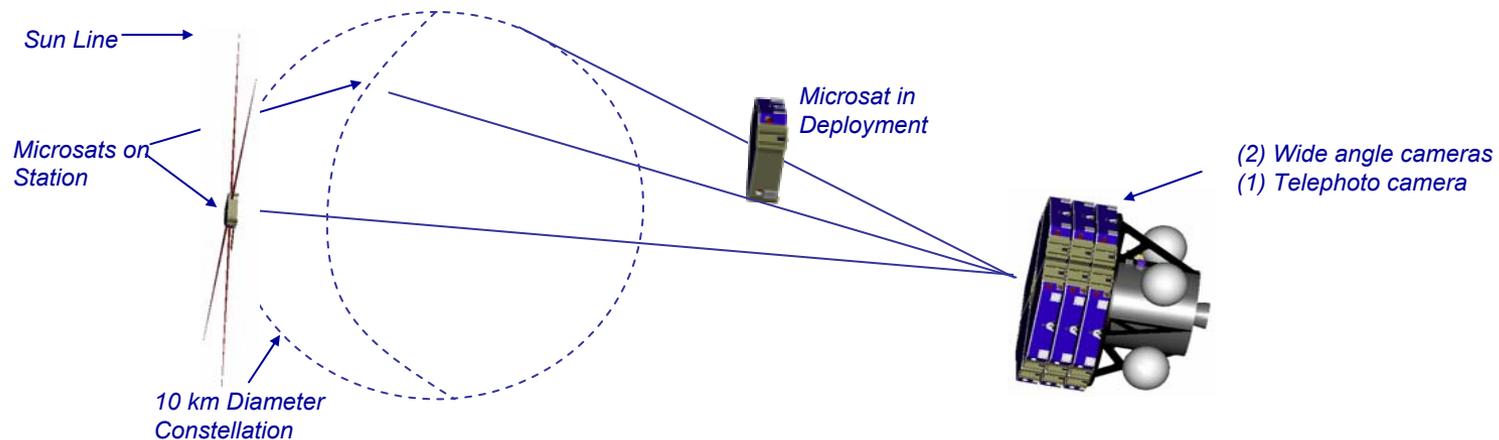
## Retrograde Orbit with Lunar Gravity Assist

### • Deployment

- Initial formation of 10 km dia. spherical shell
- Deploy one at a time from carrier using ORBCOMM/Pegasus separation system
- Point and shoot (see below)
- Budget 1 day for each microsat
- Use RocketCam to observe Microsat and Microsat mechanism deployment

### • Formation Control

- Increase to 50 km diameter then return to 10 km diameter
- Maintain formation control for 2 years with option for 2 years
- Budget delta V of 1.5 m/s per S/C per month



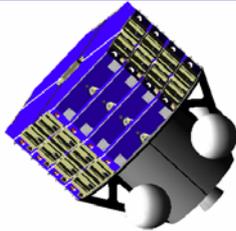
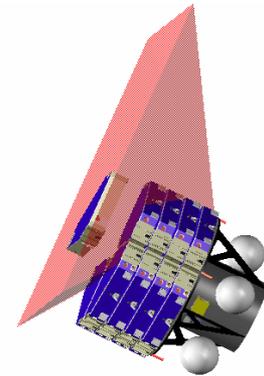
# SIRA Deployment Sequence Overview

Sun line



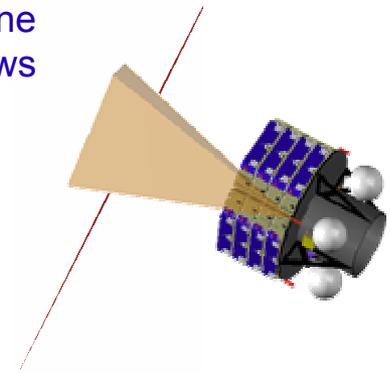
- Stop thermal roll
- Attitude normal to sun line

- Microsat powered and sending HK telemetry
- Two (2) Wide-angle cameras to view initial deployments



- Tilt to firing angle (also puts sun to microsat S/A)
- Enable microsat via command through control microsat & perform initialization & checkout
- Command microsat to eject itself

- Carrier reorients, and one (1) telephoto camera views monopole deployments



# SIRA Mission Requirements and Accommodation

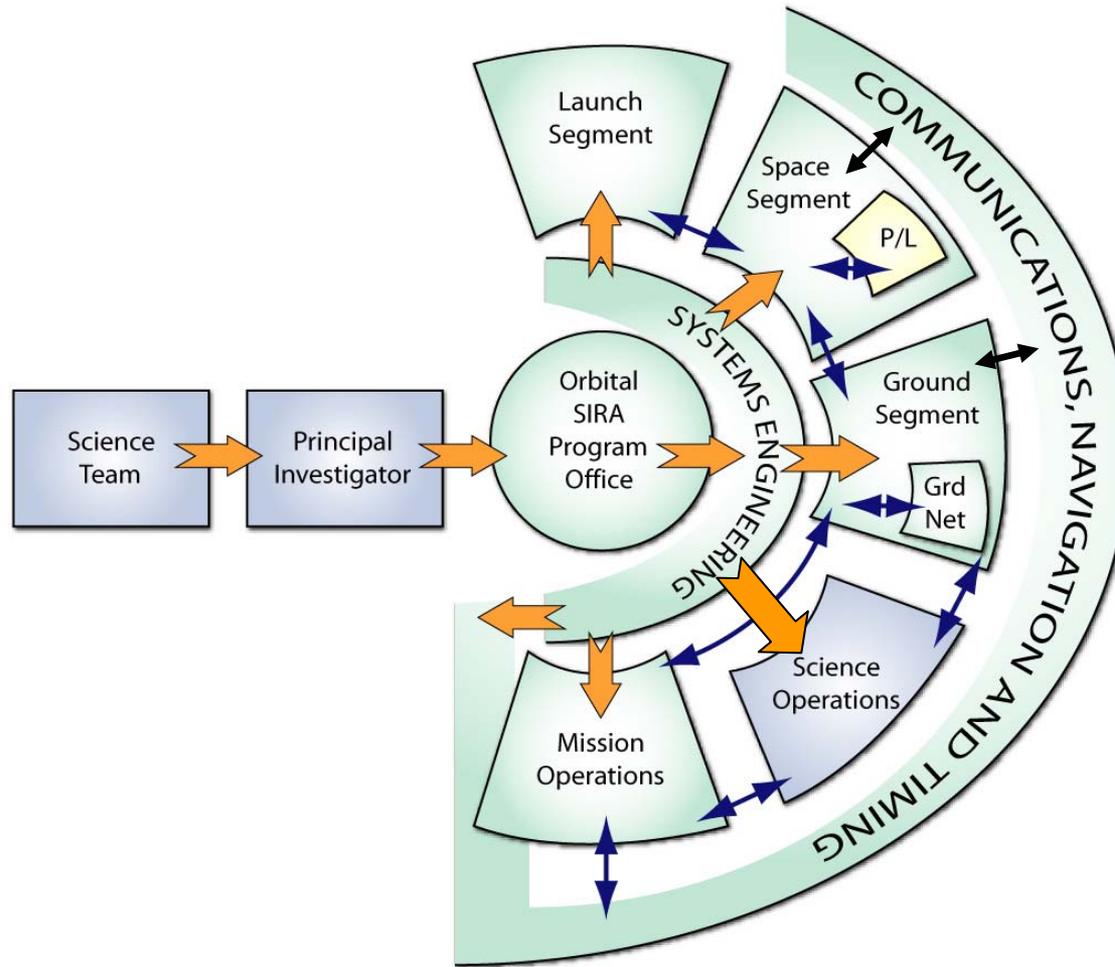
Requirement	Value	Accommodation
Mission Lifetime	2 year baseline with 2 year extension	Arrays, batteries, propellant and data storage sized for 4 years.
Orbit	Retrograde orbit at 500,000 km from Earth; 18° inclination to ecliptic	Launch to high energy transfer trajectory on a carrier.
Orbital Period	~40 days	Microsats are sun pointing with an Earth tracking, single axis, flat-panel, high gain antenna
Eclipse Duration	< 9 min Lunar penumbra in 4th yr	Battery capacity and star trackers handle this easily
Launch Vehicle	Delta II class	Delta 7925 baselined for 12 microsats; Delta 7925H baselined for 16 microsats
Launch Date	2/1/10	Launch date is accommodated by schedule. 42 months for design and development of the constellation.
Number of Microsats	12 to 16	Based on the single string ROCSAT-2 (Cosmic) design. 12 spacecraft provide good mass and cost margins.
Constellation Radius	5 km, to be extended to 25 km	1.5 m/s per month delta-V from microsat cold gas propulsion system
Frequency Range of Observations	30 kHz to 15 MHz	Flexible printed wire harnesses provide excellent EMI performance based on ORBCOMM experience
Payload Mass/sat	10 kg + ranging and timing unit masses	Light weight microsat structure accommodates receiver boxes and monopole assemblies
Payload Power/sat	10 W for 2 receivers	0.5 m <sup>2</sup> solar array provides adequate power

Requirement	Value	Accommodation
Pointing Requirements	+/- 2.0°	Star trackers on each microsat provide accurate pointing knowledge
Clock Accuracy (absolute)	0.1+/- 0.01 sec	Ephemerides uploaded daily. On board OCXO and static thermal conditions
Bit stream synchronization	1 usec	UHF ranging and timing unit provides for bit stream synchronization
Ranging accuracy (rel)	3.0 +0.3 m (inter-microsat ranging)	UHF ranging and timing unit provides for intermicrosat ranging
Ranging accuracy (absolute)	300 m (from the ground)	~300 m accuracy one way Doppler ranging
Data/day (not limited)	38.2 GB	8 Mbps X-band down link
Data storage/sat	5 GB	5 GB data storage on each microsat (2 days storage)
Ground station contacts	1 or 2 per day (~7 hours each)	1 contact per day per spacecraft is baselined: additional supported
Data latency	4 hours after ground reception	Wide band ground net

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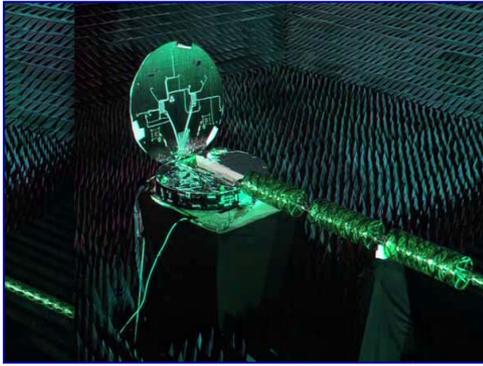
# SIRA Mission Architecture



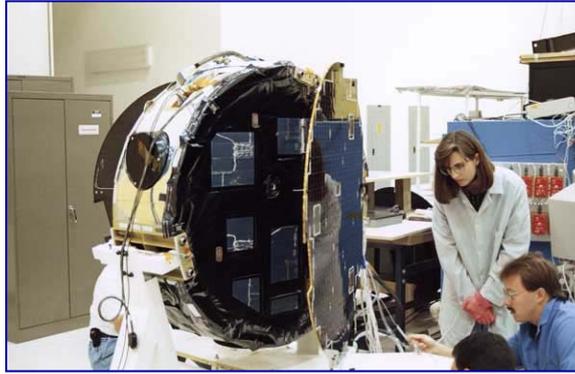
- ➡ Requirements Flow
- ↔ Segment Level Interface
- Provided by Science Team
- Provided by Orbital



# Orbital's Micro-Spacecraft Relevant Experience and Performance



*ORBCOMM - Communications  
Launches from 1995-2000*



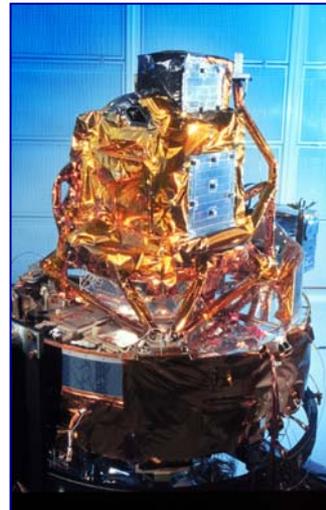
*Microlab I - Remote Sensing  
Launched Apr '95*



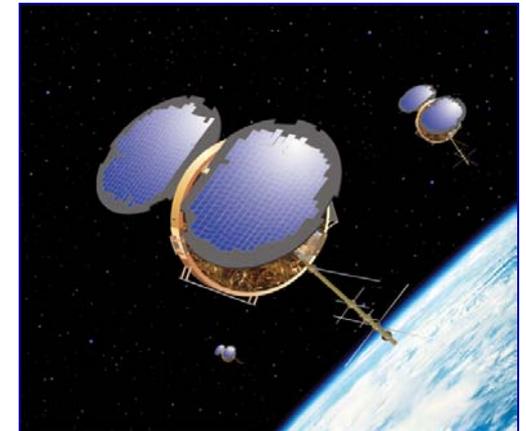
*BATSAT/T1 - Communications  
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*MUBLCOM - Communications  
Launched May '99*



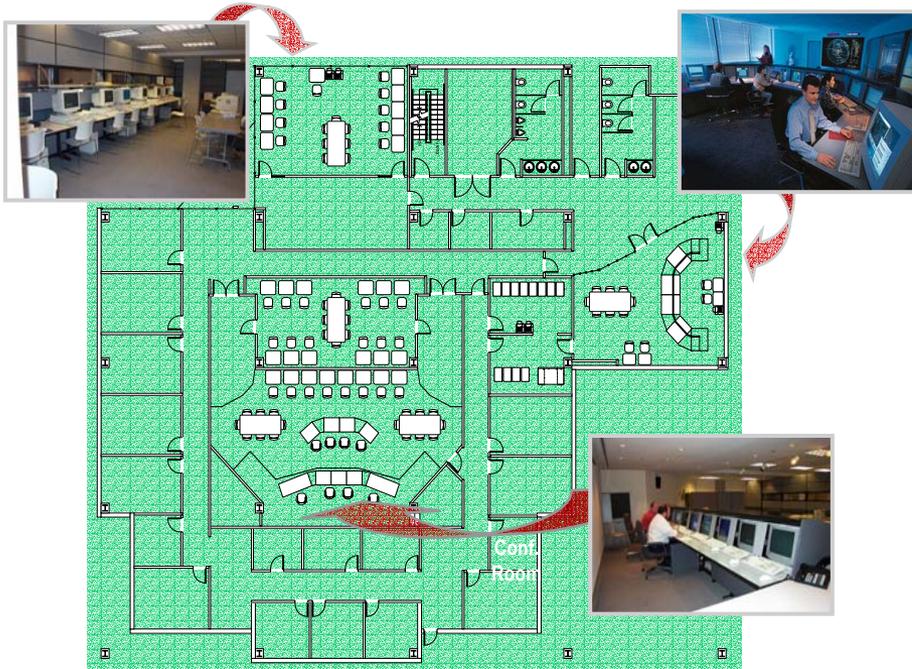
*QuikTOMS - Science &  
Technology  
Launched Sep '01*



*ROCSAT-3 - Science & Technology  
Launch Aug '05*



# Orbital's Multi-mission Operations Center



## Orbital Mission Support

- Seamless from I&T through end-of-life
- Minimized NRE, minimized risk
- 24/7 staffing supports multiple missions

## Orbital Mission Operations Center

- Three Full Control Centers
  - Two for Launch/Early Operations & Sustaining Engineering
  - One Operational (GALEX)
- Two Control Rooms
  - One operational (MUBLECOM)
  - One backup support (ACRIMSAT)
- Several customer support rooms provide real-time telemetry for anomaly support
- Facility support features
  - Telecommunications room
  - Network and data line monitoring
  - UPS and generator backup

## Orbital Has Extensive Mission Operations Experience

Launch Through Hand-Off      Launch Through Ops

- |                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| •ORBCOMM Constellation | •MUBLECOM |
| •SeaStar (OrbView-2)   | •BATSAT   |
| •ACRIMSAT              | •GALEX    |
| •BSAT-2A,-2B,-2C       | •OCO*     |
| •Galaxy 12,14*,15*     | •Glory*   |
| •OrbView-3             |           |
| •Telkom-2*             |           |
| •Optus D1* & D2*       |           |

\* Future Mission on Contract



# Orbital's Manufacturing and I&T Facilities Enable Shorter Implementation Schedules



Thermal Vac. Testing



Mechanical Integration



Electrical Integration



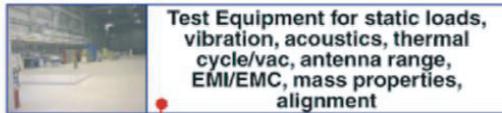
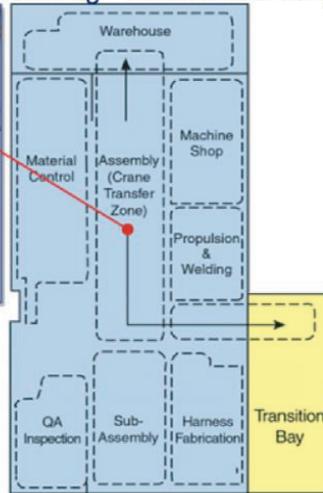
P/L Accommodations



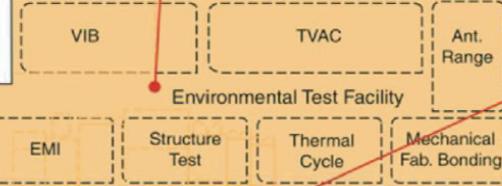
Assembly Areas or Major S/C



Mechanical assembly, propulsion welding, blanket & harness fab



Test Equipment for static loads, vibration, acoustics, thermal cycle/vac, antenna range, EMI/EMC, mass properties, alignment



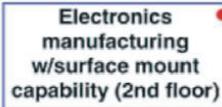
Environmental Test Facility



Spacecraft Integration (Class 100,000)



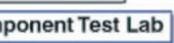
EMI/EMC



Electronics manufacturing w/surface mount capability (2nd floor)



CTL



Component Test Lab



Magnetic Test Equipment



Class 10,000 Clean Rooms



Pick and Place Manufacturing



Precision Assembly



Large Clean Rooms



Mat. Control & Handling



Vibe. & Mech. Testing



Welding and Assembly



# Orbital's Multiple Spacecraft Launch and Operations Experience

## ● Multiple Spacecraft Launches

- ORBCOMM spacecraft were launched up to 8 at a time on a Pegasus launch vehicle
- Several launches on Taurus launch vehicle with multiple spacecraft
  - KompSat with AcrimSat
  - ORBCOMM FM3 & 4 with GFO1
  - OV-4 with QuikTOMS
- ROCSAT-3 will involve launching 6 spacecraft simultaneously on a Minotaur

## ● Multiple Spacecraft Deployment

- Extensive experience in deployment of multiple s/c including Orbital's patented method for deploying a satellite network (U.S. Patent # 5,199,672)

## ● Multiple Spacecraft Operations

- Orbital developed ORBCOMM satellite control and operations system for 35 spacecraft
- Several Orbital GEO communications spacecraft operated in a single orbital slot
  - BSAT-2 and N-Star c both involve multiple s/c in single orbital slot
  - Each s/c has unique ID, all receive commands and only the one with specified ID executes command

