

Multispectral Sensing for Relative Navigation

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outline

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- ▶ Conclusions

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- ▶ Measurement systems
 - Remote sensing techniques
 - Space, aerospace, field and factory
 - Spectral imaging
 - White light, laser or environmental light
 - Multi-camera
 - Thermal infrared to gamma rays

- ▶ Applications
 - Astronomy, Earth observation
 - Airborne remote sensing
 - Agriculture, food & feed
 - Safety, security, surveillance, forensic
 - Oil, gas & energy
 - Machine vision

- ▶ Core team of 30 physicists and engineers
 - Analysis, lab study, design, procurement
 - Assembly, integration, verification, qualification
 - Calibration, data processing s/w

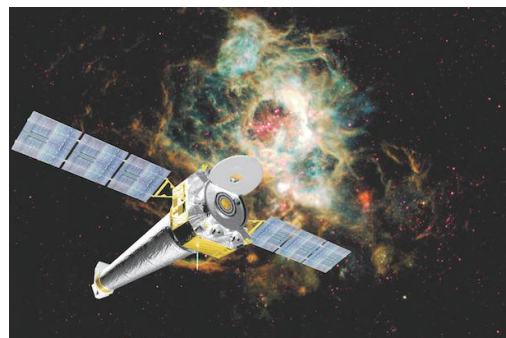
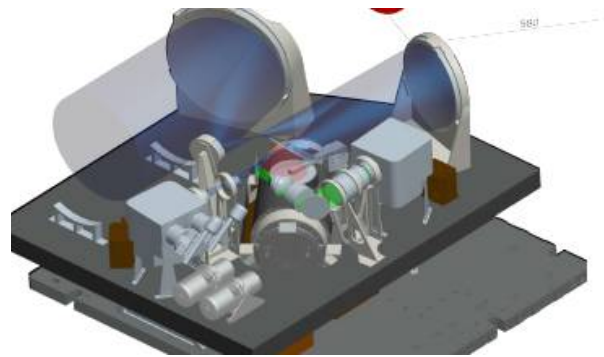
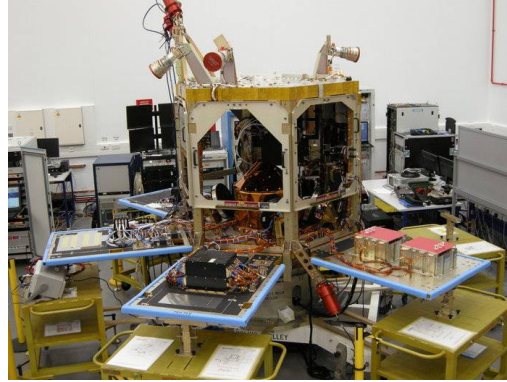
- ▶ Based in Leiden, The Netherlands
 - Italian subsidiary

- ▶ Development and test facilities
 - clean room, laser, radiation and electronics laboratories
 - calibration and thermal vac testing
 - extensive collaborations with external facilities

- ▶ Cluster of high-tech partners and suppliers
 - Institutes and universities
 - Small and large companies
 - Around the world

- ▶ Management
 - Prof. Dr Marco Beijersbergen
 - Dipl.-Ing. Max Collon

Contribution to Large satellite missions



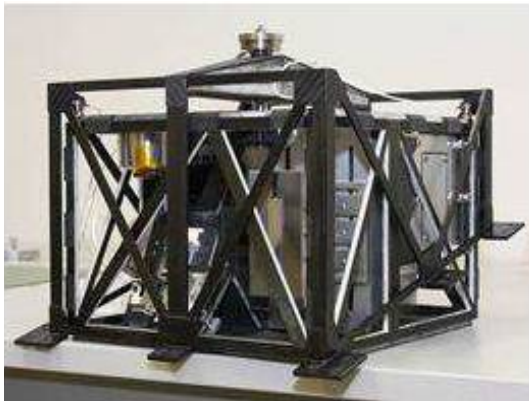
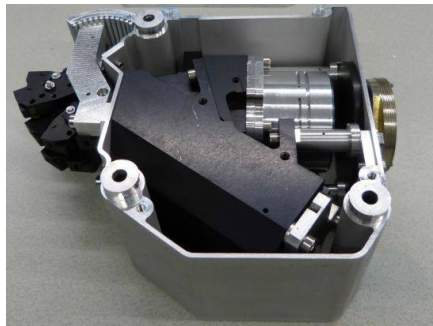
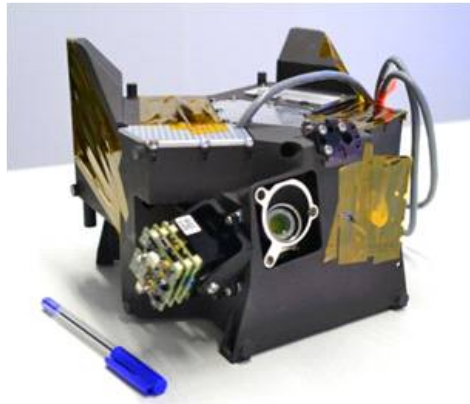
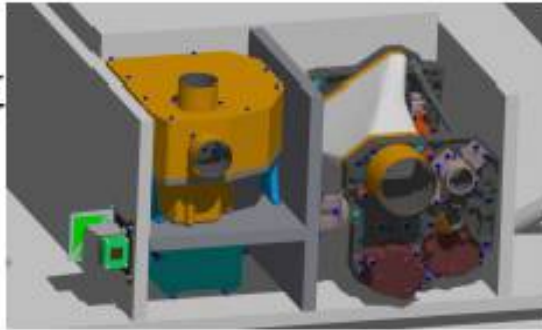
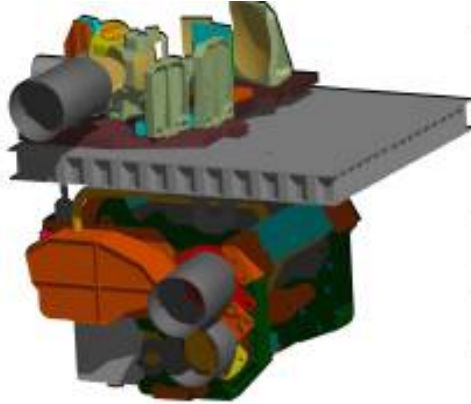
- ▶ XMM newton - computer models, level 0-1 b processor
- ▶ TROPOMI - Requirement definition, Performance analysis. Level 0-1B processor, stray-light analysis.
- ▶ SPEX spectropolarimeter for EO - mission simulation, performance analysis, optical design, calibration
- ▶ Technology development for future lidar missions
- ▶ High-res Thermal Infrared for next generation EO missions.
- ▶ Athena - Silicon Pore Optics technology development

International Space Station payloads

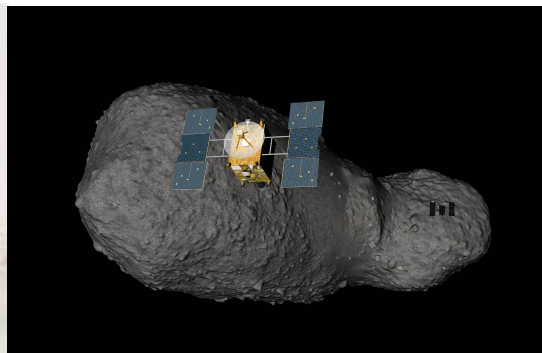


- ▶ ERB1: Stereoscopic camera launched on the ISS in July 2006.
- ▶ ERB2: Full HD stereoscopic camera launched on the ISS on the 3rd of February 2010.
- ▶ ERB2 User Home Base: Commanding, ERB-2 live 3D streaming from the ISS to ESTEC.
- ▶ NightPod: Nodding mechanism for nocturnal imaging of Earth from the ISS. Launched on the 21st of December 2011.

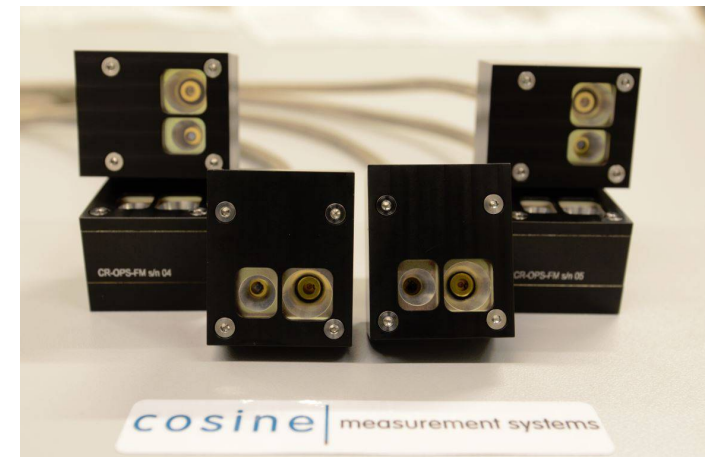
Interplanetary exploration designs and missions



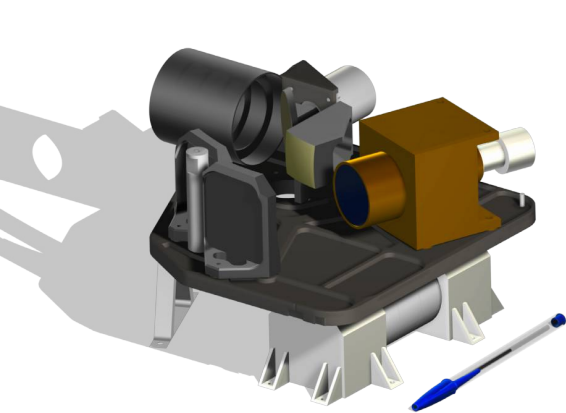
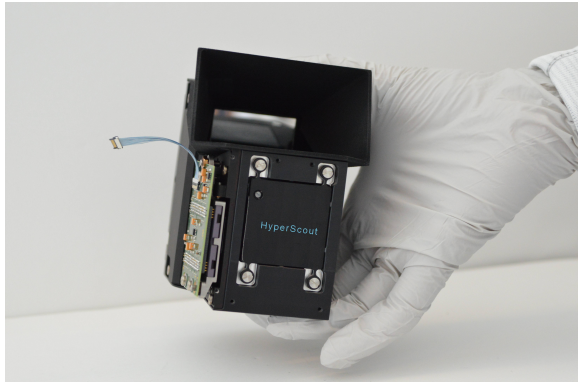
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- ▶ Mercury and Jupiter suites (ESA Reference mission studies)
- ▶ SINPLEX compact multipurpose GNC system for planetary landing
- ▶ SPEX spectropolarimeter for space exploration
- ▶ Optical-GNC system for the MASCOT lander onboard the JAXA Hayabusa-2 (FM under production)



Smart Payloads for Multiscale Earth Inspection



▶ We are developing miniaturized remote sensing suites of commercial instruments for Earth inspection:

- Frequent, medium resolution, global data from a fleet of microsats and nanosats
- Complemented with on-demand high-resolution local data from UAVs
- Complemented with on-demand local data from on-vehicle systems
- Based on a common remote sensing technology

▶ Based on 5 technology lines

- Hyperspectral, IR sensing, single photon lidars, polarimetry, spectroscopy

▶ Flight hardware for maiden space flight to be delivered Q4/2016

Introduction Multispectral for relative navigation

- ▶ Multi-spectral imaging can lead to significant improvements of space navigation systems.
 - ESA TRP project ongoing for the assessment in a bottom-up approach of the potential use of the combination of visible and infrared wavelengths for navigation.
 - Final goal is to provide an architecture and a preliminary design of a Multispectral Sensing Device (MSD).

- ▶ A more robust system can be obtained combining a VNIR spectral channel to a TIR spectral channel.
 - Navigation can be performed also if the Sun is in eclipse by detecting the thermal radiation.
 - Specific wavelengths dependent features can be identified by a finer sampling of the VNIR spectrum.

- ▶ Possible applications are:
 - Relative navigation between two cooperating space vehicles (Rendezvous)
 - Non-cooperative rendezvous (debris detection and removal)
 - Descent and landing on an asteroid

Project Consortium

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- ▶ Prime contractor
 - Multispectral Sensing Device (MSD) hardware design and modeling

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- ▶ Subcontractor
 - Data generation, fusion, processing, navigation filters and MIL simulations.

Study logic



Algorithms subsystems and test environment

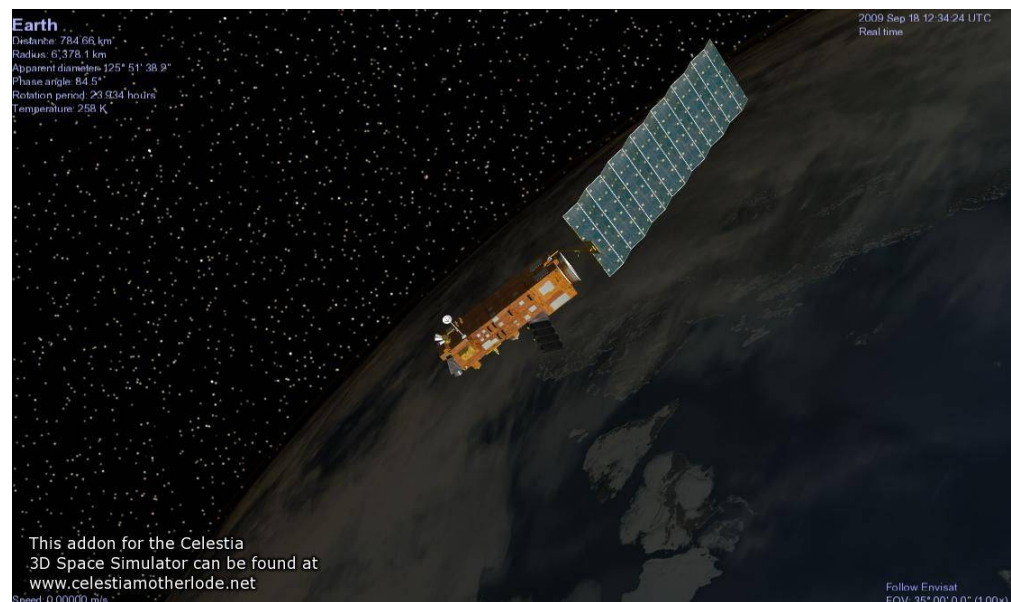
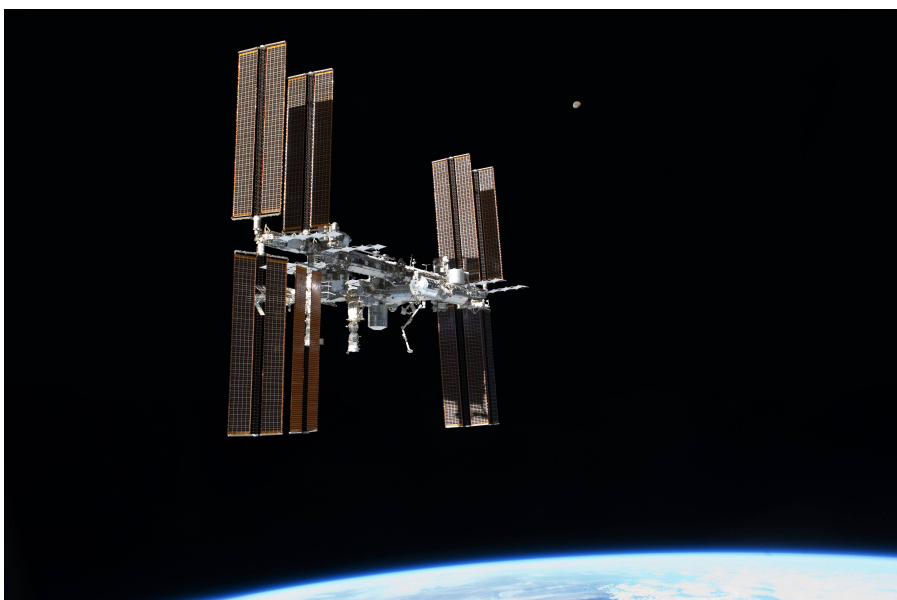
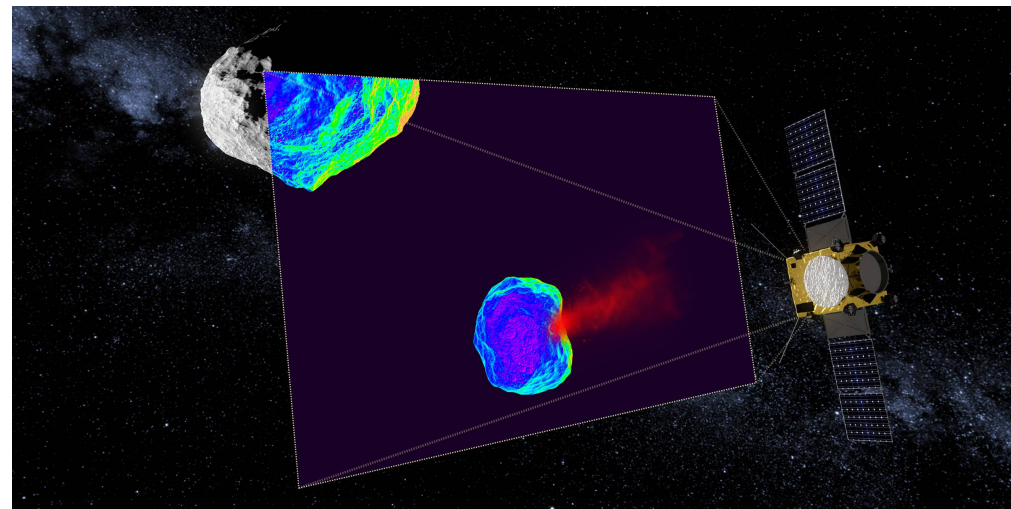
- ▶ Data fusion
 - At image level
 - At navigation level

- ▶ Different image fusion methods

- ▶ Navigation filter

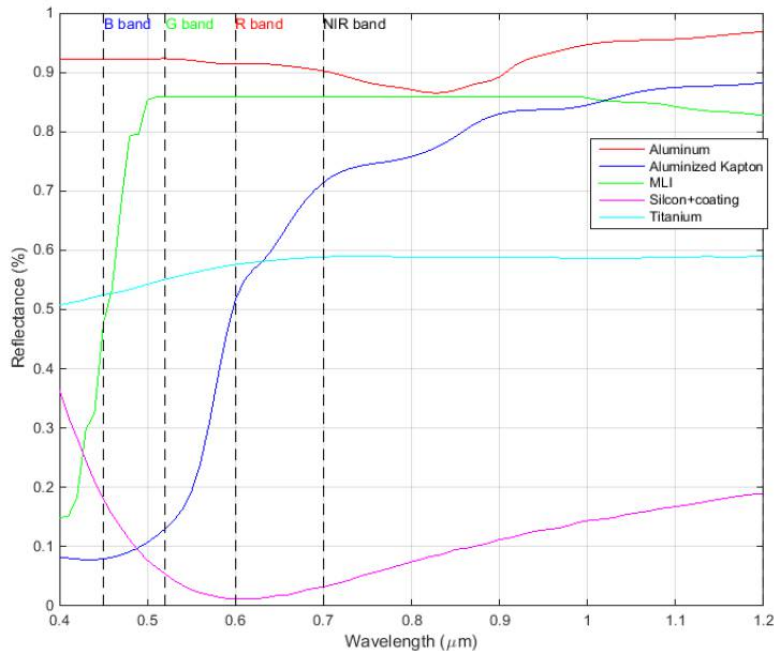
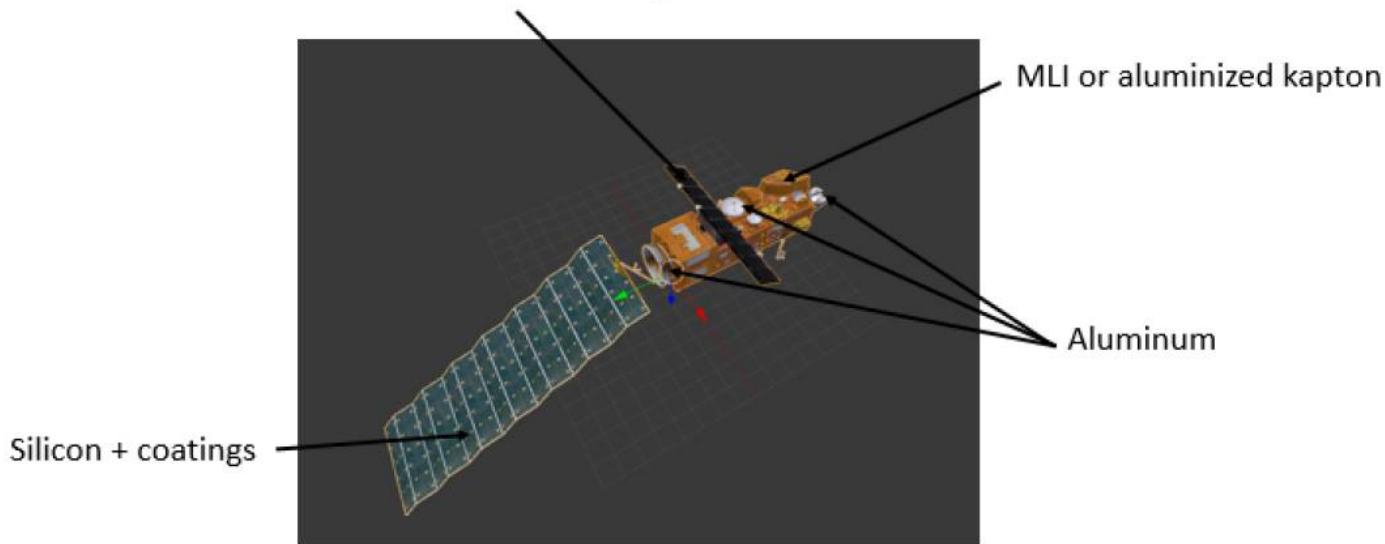
Mission scenario

Scenario	Test description
RDV Envisat	Different phases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From 900 m to 800 m • From 500 m to 400 m • From 300 m to 200 m • From 100 m to 75 m • Hold orbit at ~50 m • Few meters from the target
RDV ISS	Hold point at ~280 m
D&L	From 2 Km to landing



Spectral bands

Carbon-fibre-reinforced plastic



- ▶ Simplified material model of the target
- ▶ Materials present different spectral features

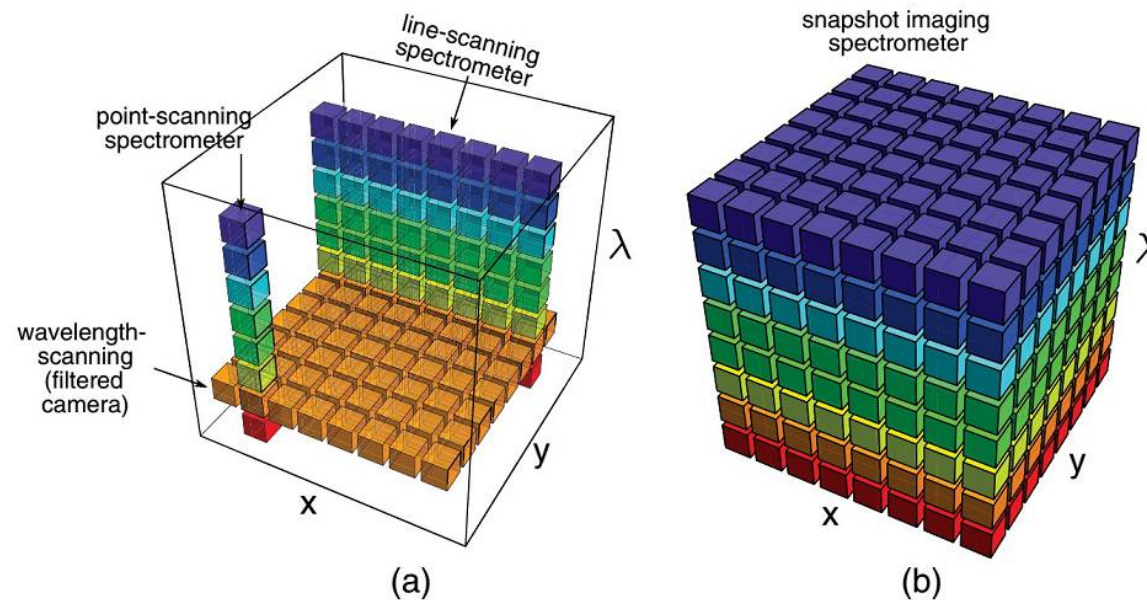
Considered bands and Instrument requirements

- ▶ Several band options considered for the VNIR channel:
 - Single VNIR band: 0.4 - 1 μm
 - VIS + NIR bands: 0.4 – 0.7 μm + 0.7 – 1.0 μm
 - 2 VIS + NIR bands: 0.4 – 0.5 μm + 0.5 – 0.6 μm + 0.6 – 1.0 μm
- ▶ For the Thermal InfraRed channel
 - Single TIR band: 8 - 14 μm
- ▶ The rendezvous scenario has been considered to derive the requirements for the conceptual design.

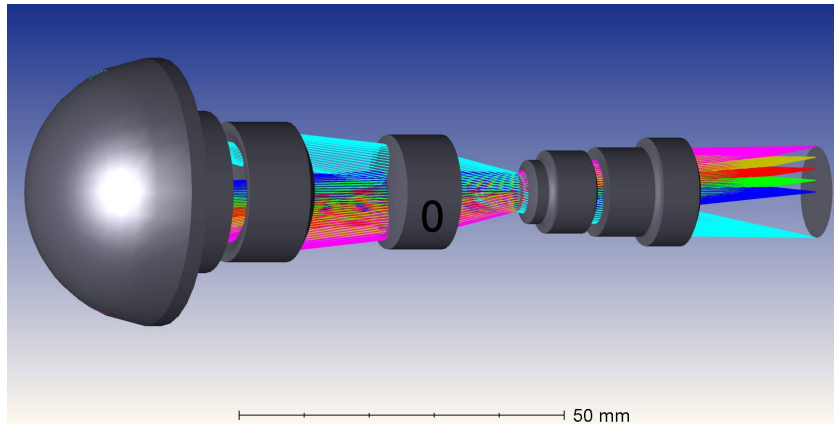
Parameter	VNIR	TIR
iFoV [mrad]	0.7	1
FoV [deg]	40	30
SNR	>4	>4

Spectral Imaging methods

- ▶ Image two spatial and one spectral dimension with a 2D focal plane array
 - Point-scanning spectrometer (whiskbroom sensor)
 - Line-scanning spectrometer (pushbroom sensor)
 - Wavelength-scanning spectrometer (staring sensor)
 - Snapshot imaging spectrometer

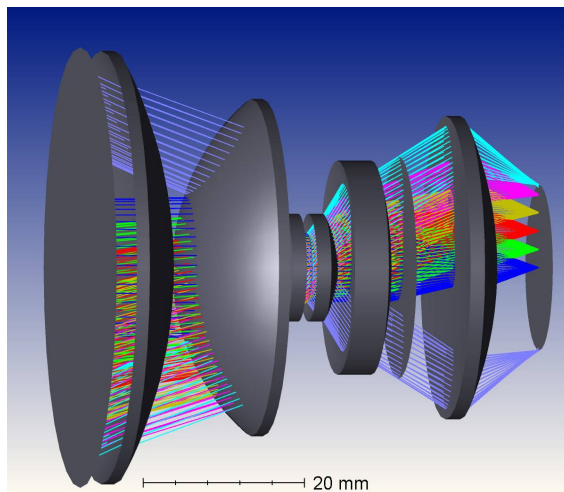


Telescope concept: fully refractive



▶ Visible Near InfraRed channel

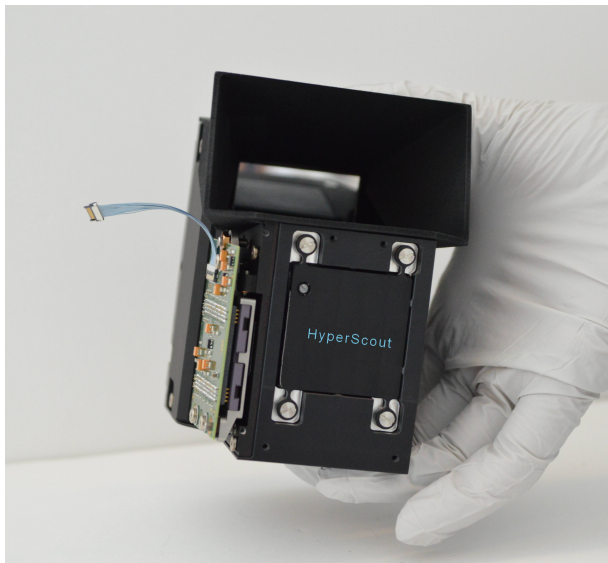
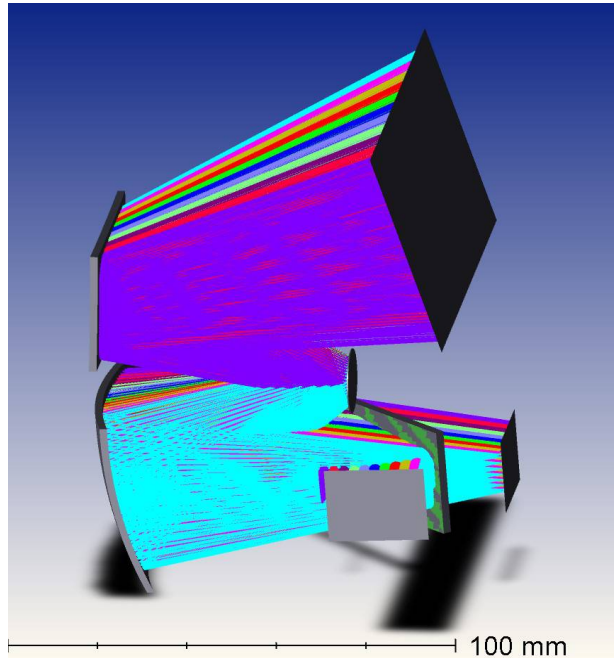
- 0.4-1 μm spectral range
- $F/\# = 5$
- $f = 15 \text{ mm}$
- 2048 x 2048 pixel CMOS array
- $40^\circ \times 40^\circ$ field of view
- Image space telecentricity
- Volume $20 \times 20 \times 130 \text{ mm}^3$



▶ Thermal InfraRed channel

- 8-14 μm spectral range
- $F/\# = 1.5$
- $f = 25 \text{ mm}$
- 1024 x 768 pixel
- $40^\circ \times 30^\circ$ field of view
- Volume $50 \times 50 \times 60 \text{ mm}^3$

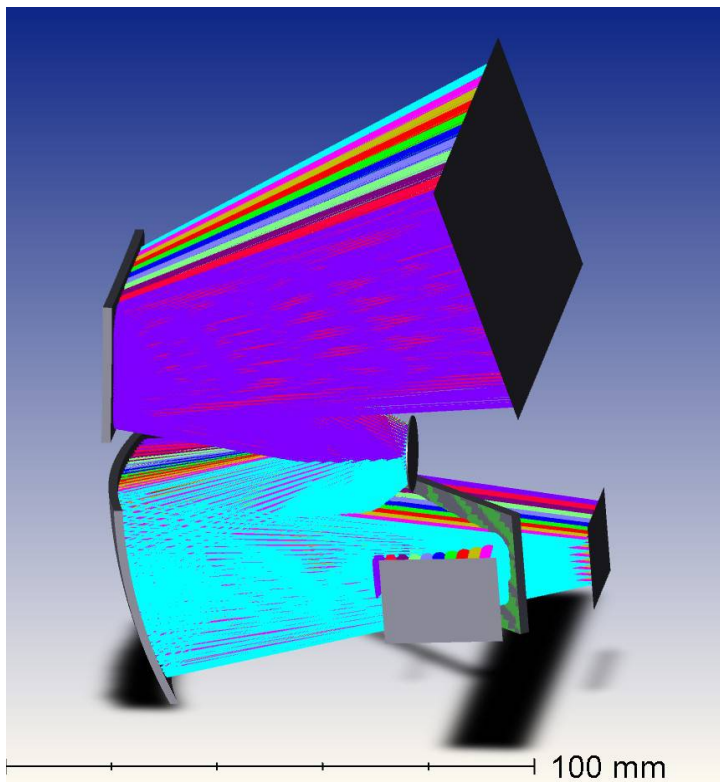
Telescope concept: fully reflective



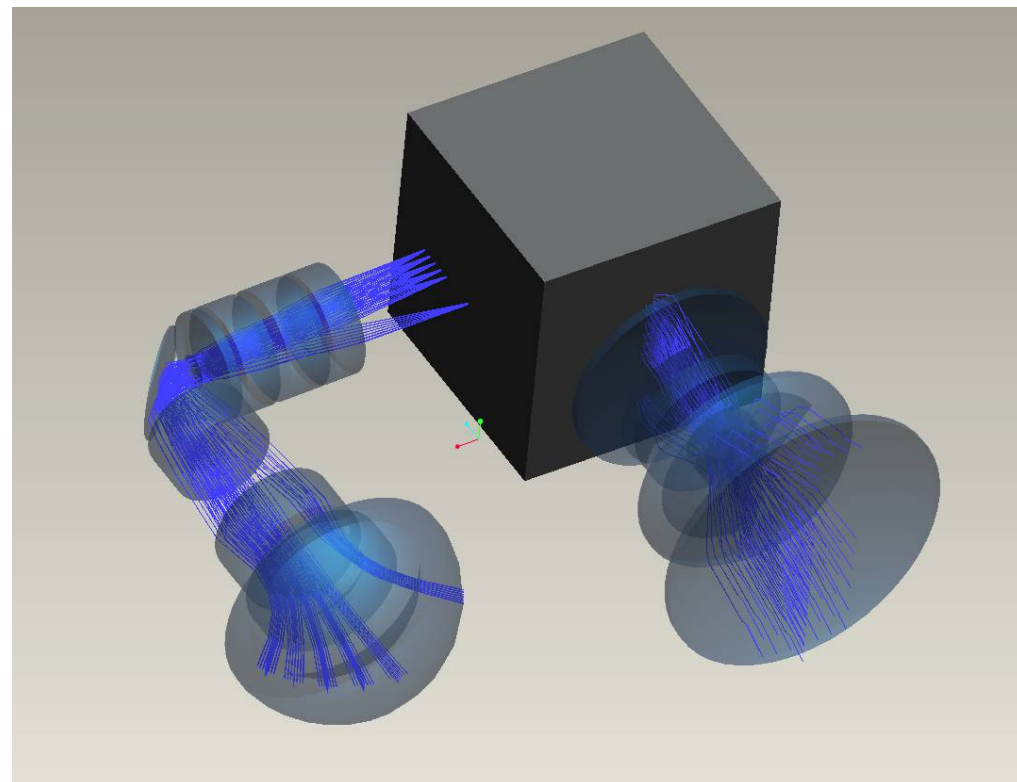
► Modified reflective telescope from existing nanosat based hardware for Earth Observation

- 0.4 - 1 μm and 8-14 μm spectral ranges
- $F/\# = 4$
- 4096 x 2000 pixels (VNIR)
- 1024 x 768 pixels (TIR)
- $30.5^\circ \times 16^\circ$ field of view (VNIR)
- $23.8^\circ \times 16^\circ$ field of view (TIR)
- Volume $\sim 1 \text{ dm}^3$ (1U)

Summary configurations

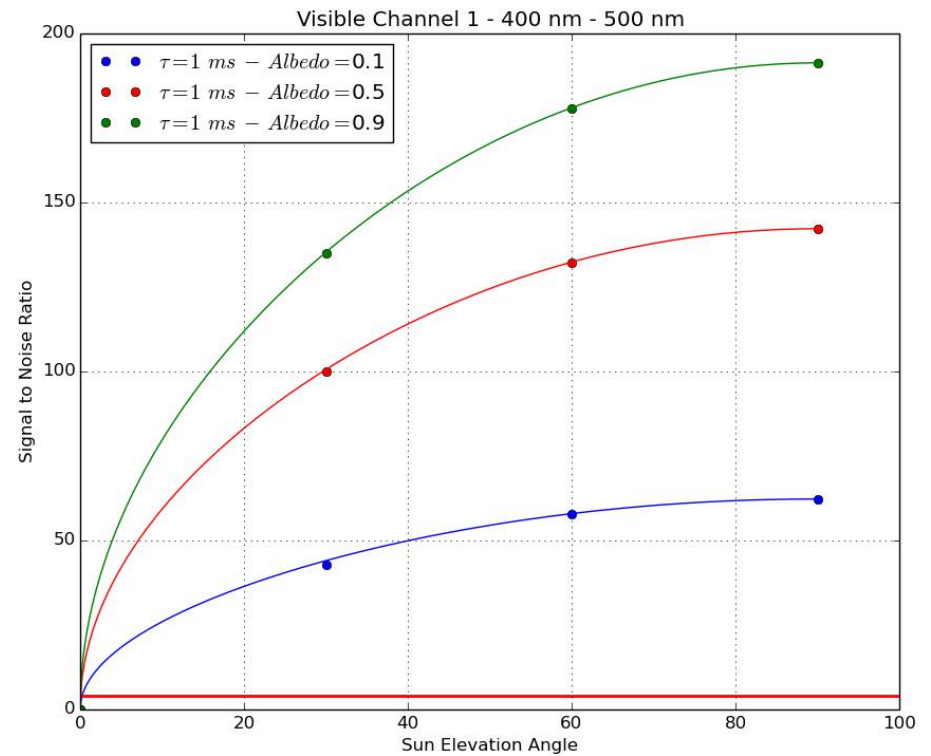
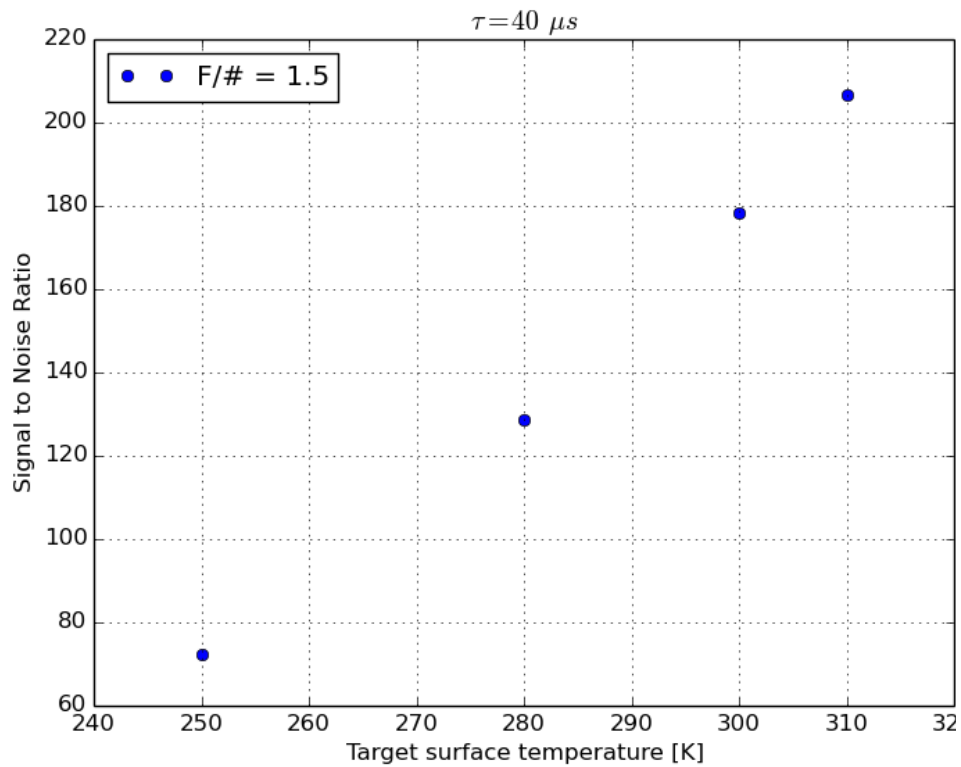


- ▶ Optical train is shared by the two spectral channels
 - Perfect coregistration
 - Very compact instrument
 - Good radiometric performance in both channels
 - Non optimized resolution for the TIR channel



- ▶ Dedicated lens system for each of the two spectral channels
 - Optimized resolution and radiometric response for each channel
 - Poorer coregistration
 - Larger volume occupation

Preliminary radiometric performance



Conclusions

- ▶ Project running and expected to finish end of summer 2016
- ▶ Mission scenario, data generation, requirements, simulation environment have been set
 - Rendezvous driving the requirements
- ▶ MSD possible architecture identified, preliminary design and MIL simulation ongoing in an iterative way

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Technical requirements

Table 1: Requested bands

Band	Acro- nym	Range (approx.)	Comments
Near ultra- violet	NUV	300÷380 nm	Assumed to be either - Sun light reflected by the target surface - Light emitted by a cooperating target
Visible light	VIS	380÷750 nm	
Near infra- red	NIR	0.75÷1.4 μm	
Thermal infrared	TIR	8÷15 μm	Assimilated to long wave infrared (LWIR) band

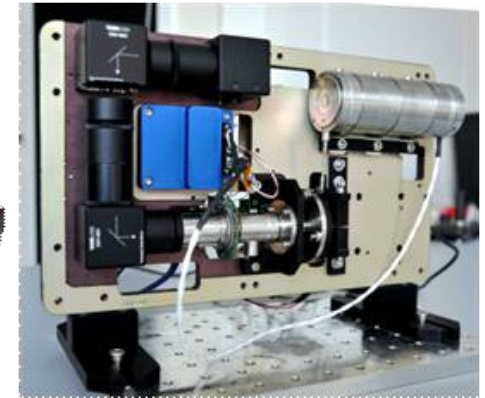
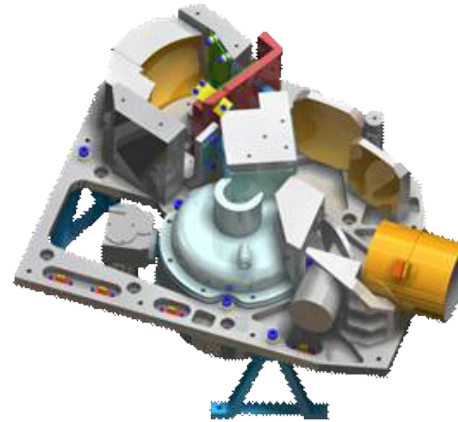
Table 2: Requested missions and phases

Mission	Phase	Comments
Rendezvous with cooperating target in LEO	- Rendezvous with and capture by the ISS	The ISS cooperates with - inter-satellite communications (knowl- edge of target orbit and attitude) - target pattern (LEDs) for RV sensor
Rendezvous with cooperating target in Earth-Moon L2	- Rendezvous with a station at Earth-Moon L2	- Similar to the RV with ISS
Rendezvous with non-cooperating target	- Chaser rendezvous with a large debris - Forced translation of the chaser - Debris capture by the chaser	ADR mission for removal of a large debris The target rotational state may include <u>nutation</u> or tumbling
Descent and landing on an asteroid	- Far station keeping 35 km apart - Descent to low altitude - Delivery of science payload MASCOT - Ascent to safe distance	Within the AIM mission to binary asteroid 65803 <u>Didymos</u>
Navigation for planetary flyby	- Jupiter orbit insertion (JOI) - Swing by Galilean satellites	Optical navigation within the JUICE mission
NOTE: For this study purpose: rendezvous phases start once the multispectral sensor has acquired the target; target acquisition is considered		

Existing integrated cosine's suites of instruments

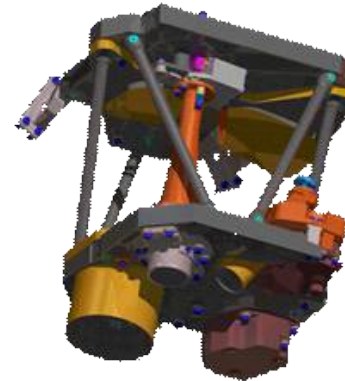
► Heritage from cosine's suites

- Broadband infrared suite
- Stereo imaging and hyperspectral (SILAT)
- HyperScout – hyperspectral with onboard analytics



► Sensor types

- NUV/VIS: CCD, CMOS
- NIR/SWIR: InGaAs, MCT
- TIR: MCT, microbolometers



► Cooling

- Passive
- Active

