

NEO Segment Precursor Service Operations

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SN-V NEO Segment Precursor Service Operations



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NEO Segment: a little history

- 2009-10: Enabling Technologies
design the NEO Segment
SBDC, Collaborating Observatories, Wide Survey
- 2011-12: SN-III Precursor Services
establish the NEO System
Web Portal, Database, ESRIN Office
- 2013-14: SN-V Precursor Services Operations
operate the NEOCC
System Maintenance & Improvement, Astronomical Observations, NEO Ops



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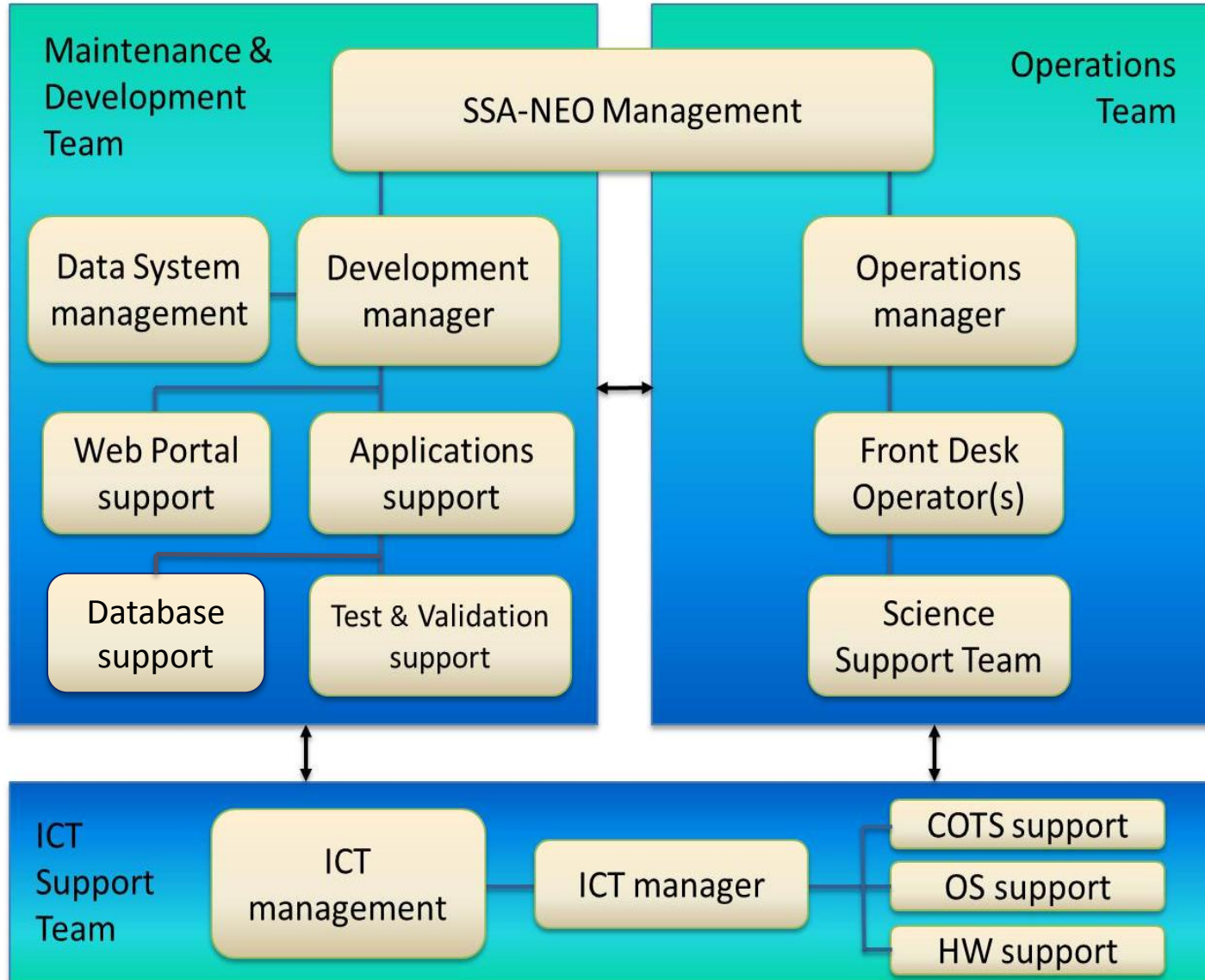
Precursor Service Operation goals



- Carry out NEO Segment Precursor Service Operations
- Maintain and improve the NEO System web portal and database
- Contribute to NEO observations
- Establish the NEO Coordination Centre as an authoritative entity

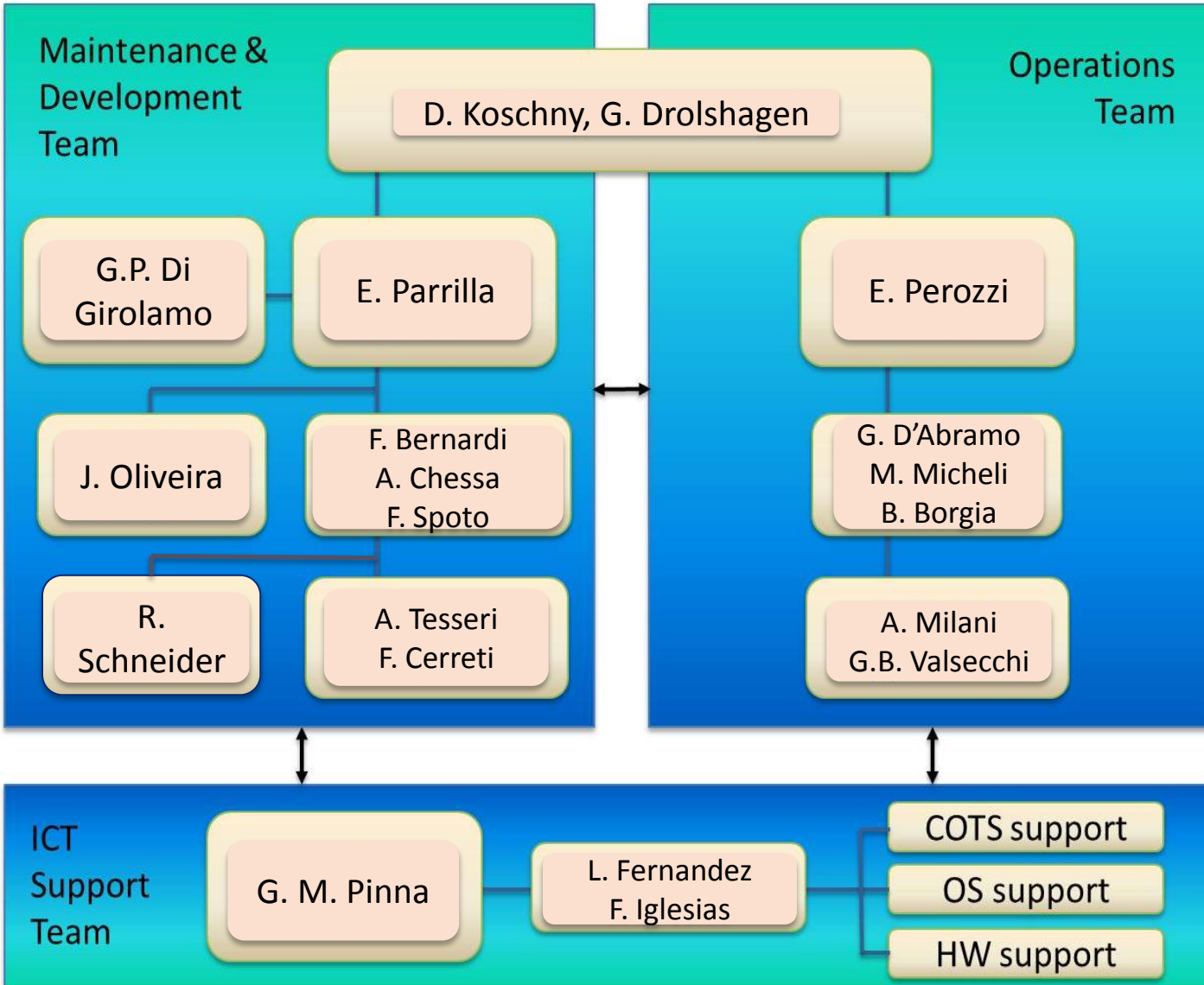
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NEO System Activities

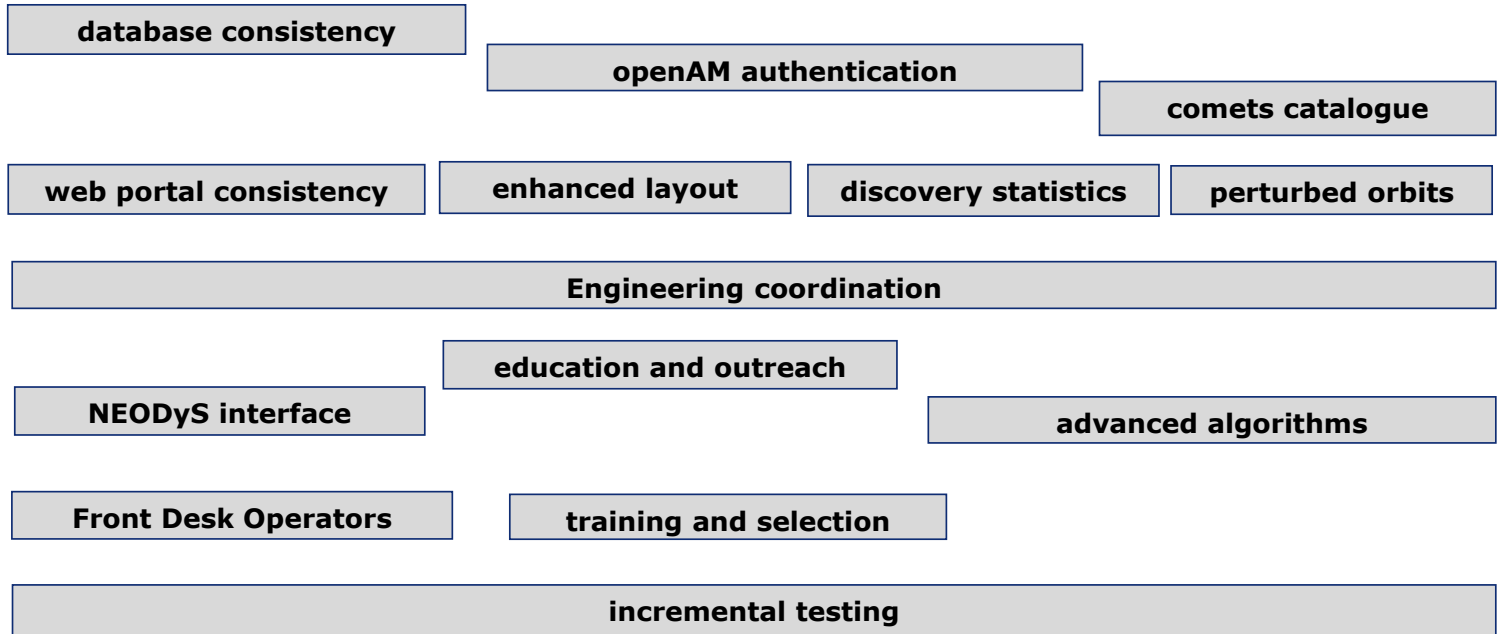
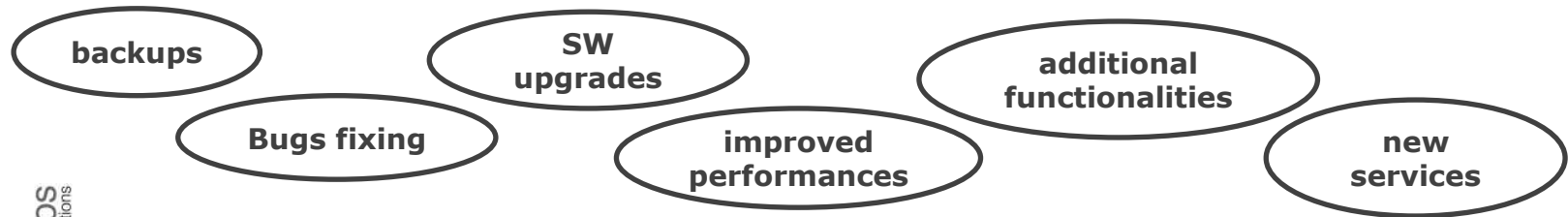


MAINTENANCE

UPGRADE

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IMPROVEMENT



ADVANCED ALGORITHMS

Maximum Brightness at Close Approach



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List of forthcoming and recent close approaches to Earth. Data are initially sorted by date but the order can be changed using the table headers.

The Maximum Brightness value allows to estimate the observability of an object at encounter. For a detailed description see the "Definitions and Assumptions" page. Note that when the encounter occurs in daylight the maximum brightness value is augmented by one hundred to warn that the geometry is unfavorable for observations.

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Upcoming close approaches to Earth

1 AU = ~150 million kilometers
 1 LD = Lunar Distance = ~384000 kilometers

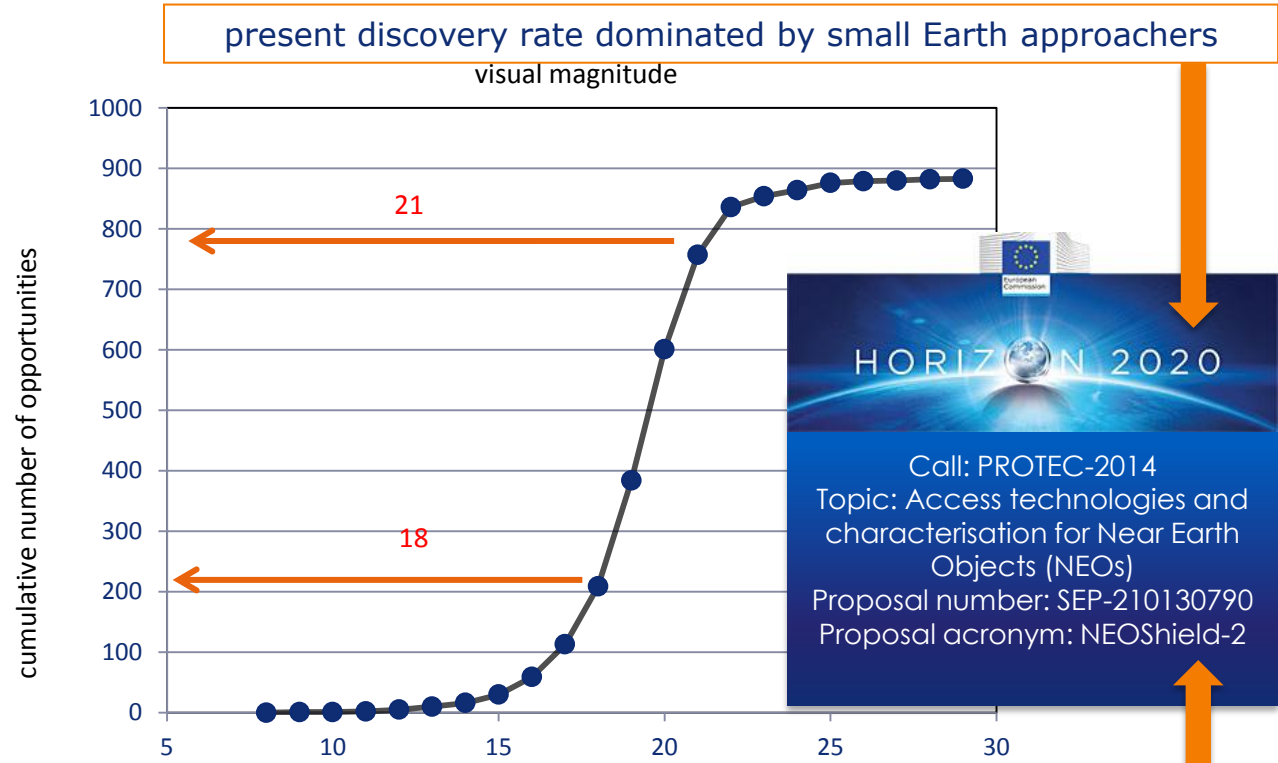
Object Name	Close Approach Date	Miss Distance [AU]	Miss Distance [LD]	Estimated Diameter [m]	H [mag]	Maximum Brightness [mag]	Relative Velocity [km/s]
2014UW57	2014-Nov-16	0.031	12.1	20.0*	26.6	20.4	4
2006WZ184	2014-Nov-19	0.0238	9.3	26.0*	26	121.7	6.6
2014UY	2014-Dec-01	0.0355	13.8	35.0*	25.4	20.3	3.2
2012YK	2014-Dec-23	0.0434	16.9	110.0*	23	16.8	9.3
2013AH53	2015-Jan-03	0.0309	12	30.0*	25.7	21.3	11.1
2013BY2	2015-Jan-14	0.0266	10.3	15.0*	27.3	21.5	12.1
2007ED125	2015-Mar-03	0.0313	12.2	250.0*	21.1	16.5	13
2010LN14	2015-Jun-21	0.0483	18.8	250.0*	21.1	17.4	15.9
2010NY65	2015-Jun-25	0.044	17.1	228.0	21.5	118	13.5
2005VN5	2015-Jul-07	0.0326	12.7	17.0*	27	22.7	6.9
2013BQ18	2015-Jul-20	0.0222	8.6	37.0*	25.3	120.9	14.1
2004ME6	2015-Jul-29	0.0464	18.1	130.0*	22.6	18.8	9.6
2012JA	2015-Aug-08	0.0423	16.5	44.0*	24.9	121.2	10.6
2009DB1	2015-Aug-10	0.0471	18.3	110.0*	22.9	19.2	12.4
281375 2008JV19	2015-Sep-01	0.0447	17.4	310.0*	20.7	15.8	7.2
2008HD2	2015-Sep-29	0.0417	16.2	41.0*	25.1	20.5	13
2010SX11	2015-Oct-09	0.0415	16.2	45.0*	24.8	20.2	7.8
2011SE97	2015-Oct-18	0.0308	12	49.0*	24.7	20.4	12.9

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cumulative distribution of 2012 close approachers observation opportunities as a function of their visual magnitude

V=21 is the typical magnitude limit for physical characterization from a 4m class telescope

V=18 is the typical magnitude limit for physical characterization from a 1m class telescope



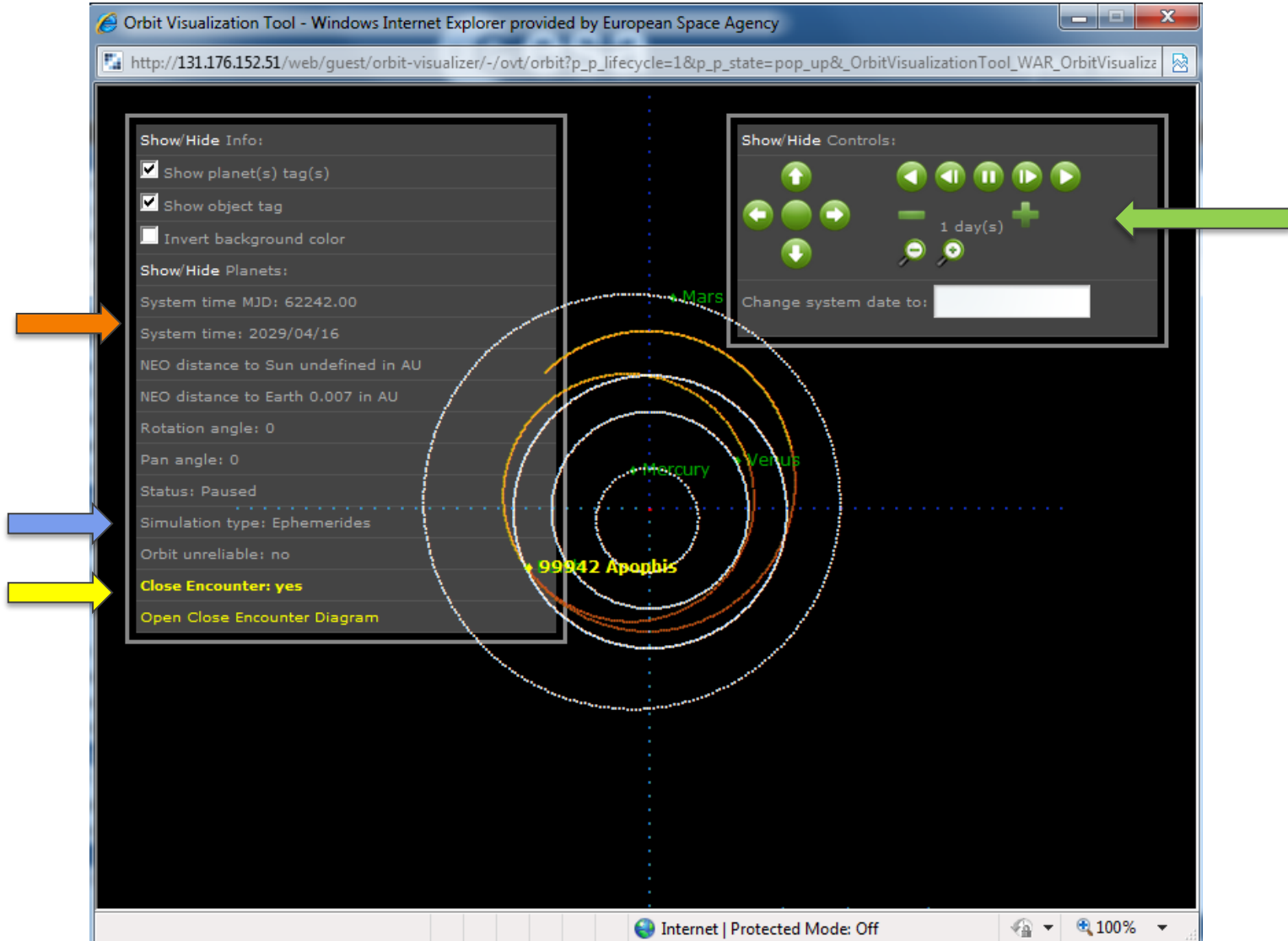
the possibility of pushing the limiting magnitude to 21 allows to encompass the vast majority of the 2012 Earth approachers population

need of a rapid response network for physical characterization

ORBIT VISUALIZATION TOOL

Apophis: heliocentric perturbed trajectory

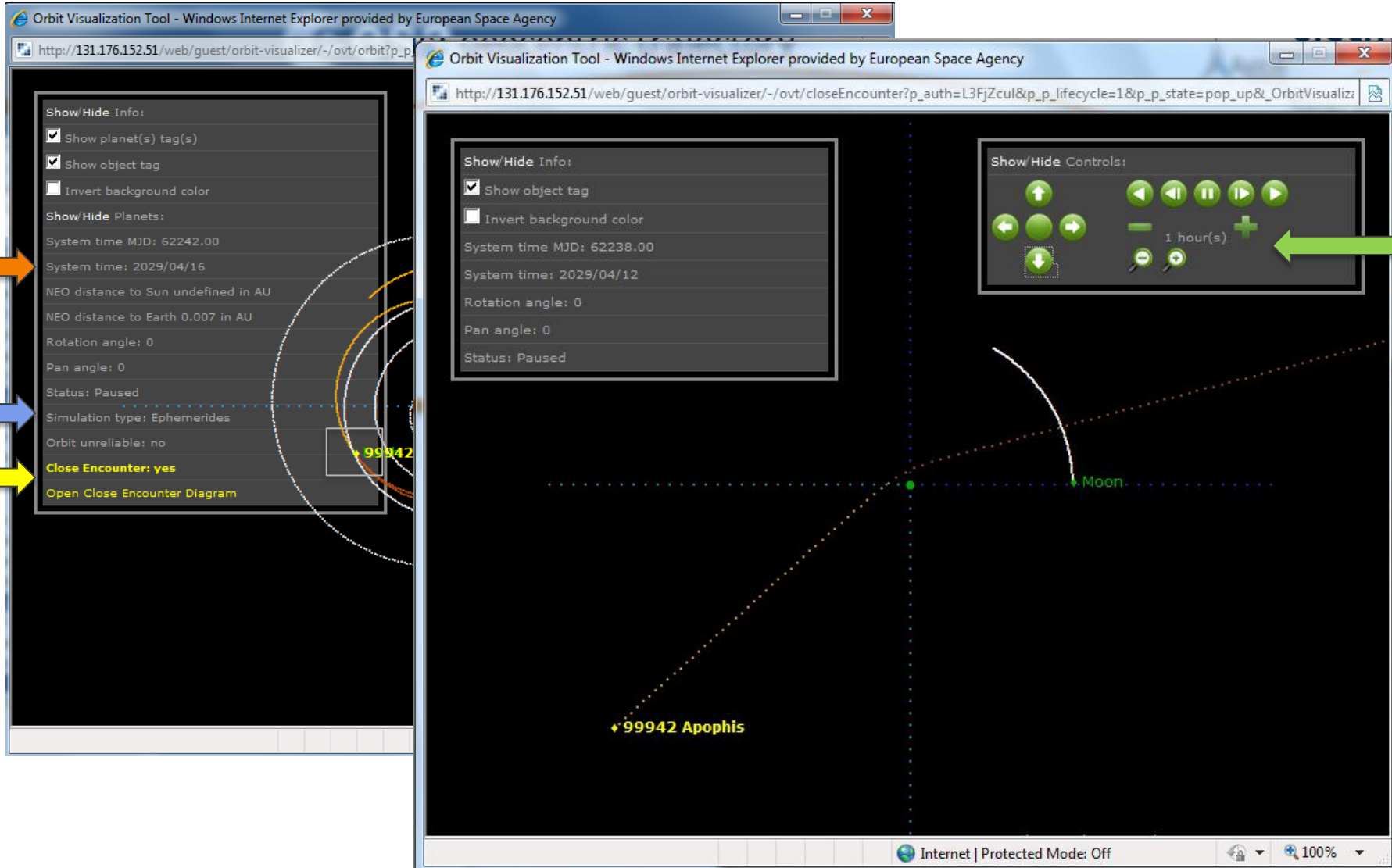
2029 Earth encounter



ORBIT VISUALIZATION TOOL

Apophis: geocentric perturbed trajectory

2029 Earth encounter



The screenshot displays the Orbit Visualization Tool interface, which is a web-based application provided by the European Space Agency. The interface is split into two main panels: a control panel on the left and a visualization area on the right.

Control Panel (Left):

- Show/Hide Info:**
 - Show planet(s) tag(s)
 - Show object tag
 - Invert background color
- Show/Hide Planets:**
- System time MJD: 62242.00
- System time: 2029/04/16
- NEO distance to Sun undefined in AU
- NEO distance to Earth 0.007 in AU
- Rotation angle: 0
- Pan angle: 0
- Status: Paused
- Simulation type: Ephemerides
- Orbit unreliable: no
- Close Encounter: yes**
- Open Close Encounter Diagram

Visualization Area (Right):

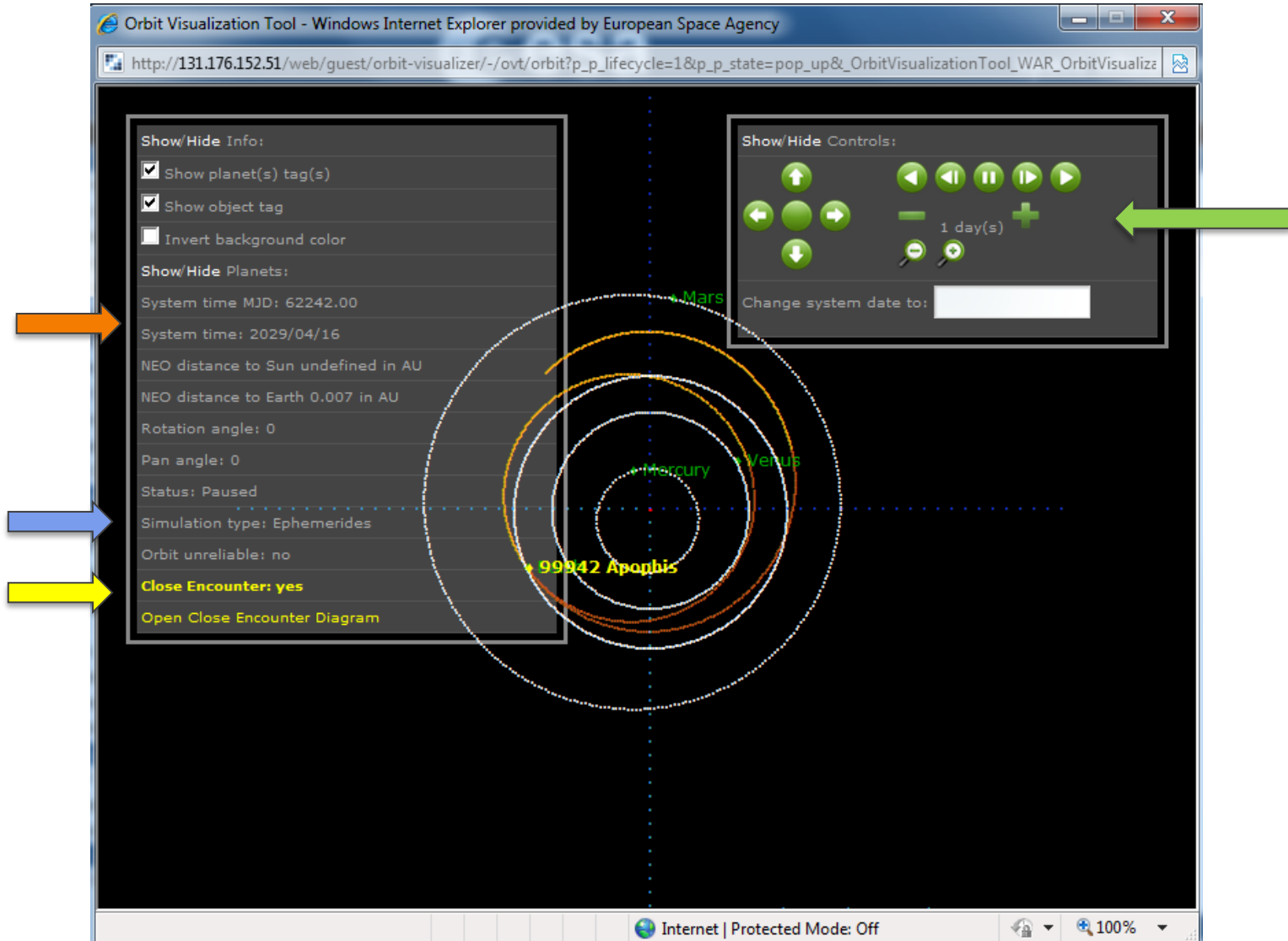
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 - Show object tag
 - Invert background color
- System time MJD: 62238.00
- System time: 2029/04/12
- Rotation angle: 0
- Pan angle: 0
- Status: Paused

- Show/Hide Controls:**
- Navigation buttons: Home, Previous, Play/Pause, Next, Stop, Back, Forward, Refresh, Zoom In, Zoom Out.
- Speed control: 1 hour(s) with a slider and a green arrow pointing to the right.
- Visual elements: A green dot labeled "Moon" and a yellow dot labeled "99942 Apophis" are visible on a black background with a grid. A dashed line represents the trajectory of Apophis.

ORBIT VISUALIZATION TOOL

Apothis: heliocentric perturbed trajectory

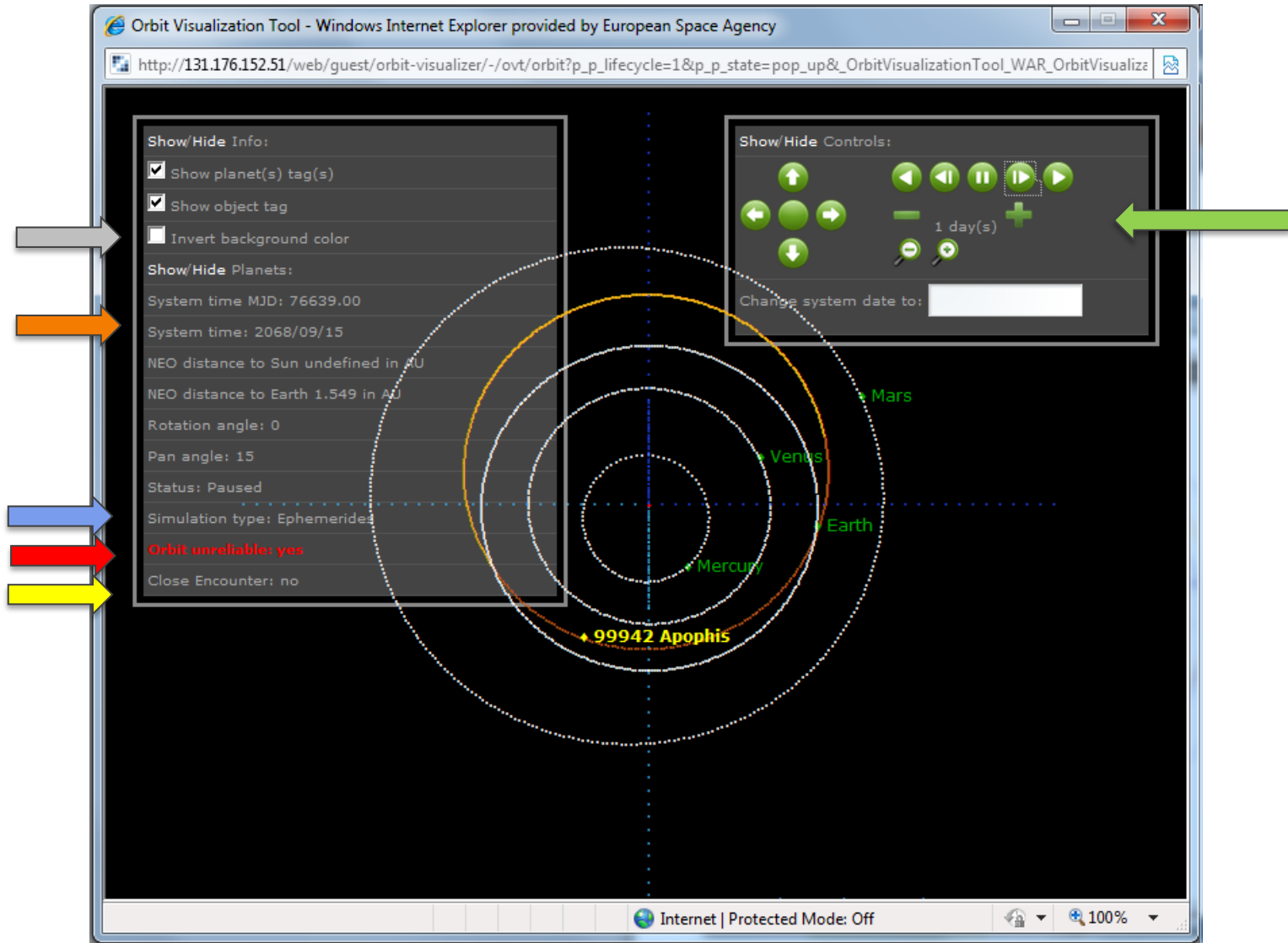
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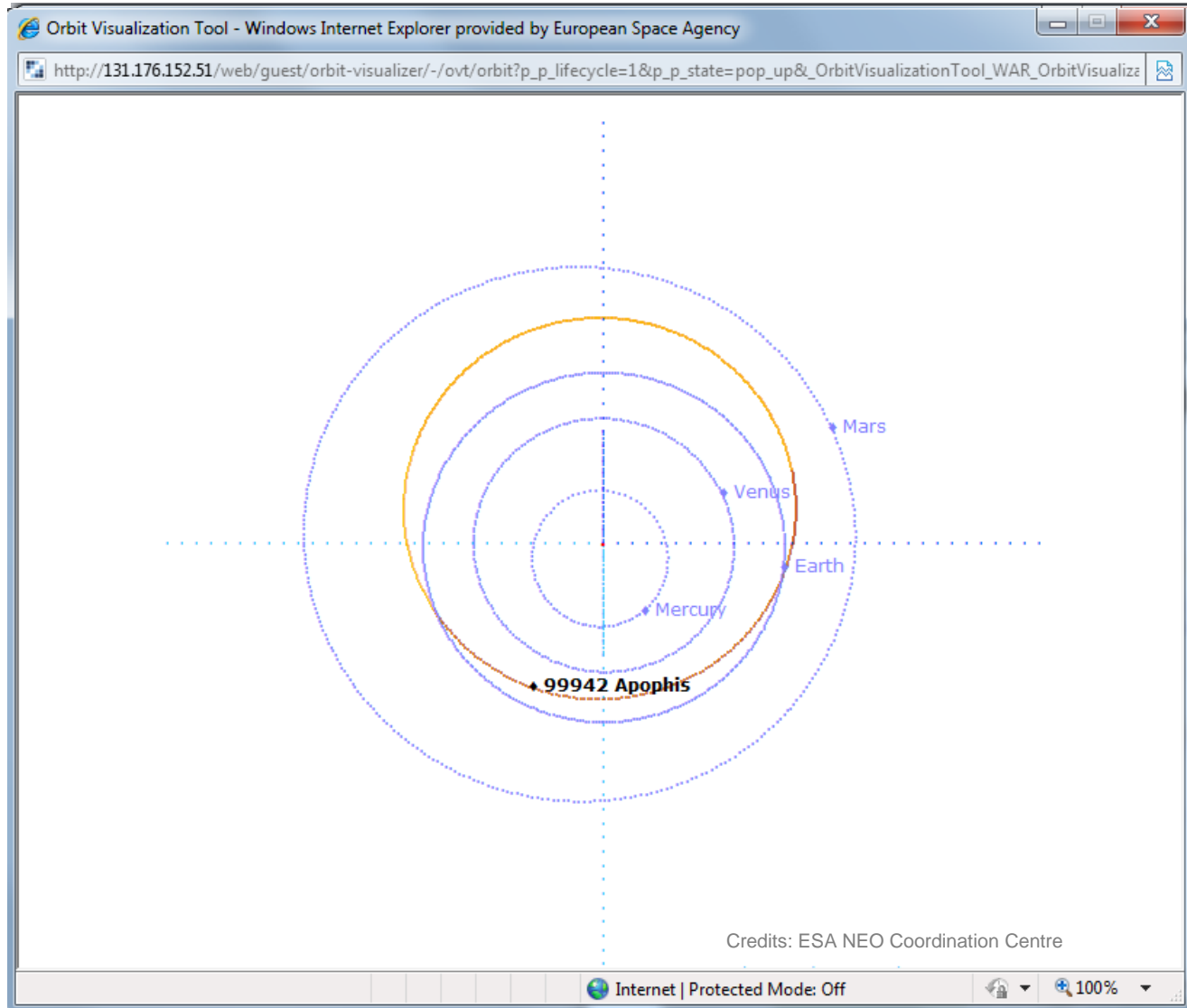
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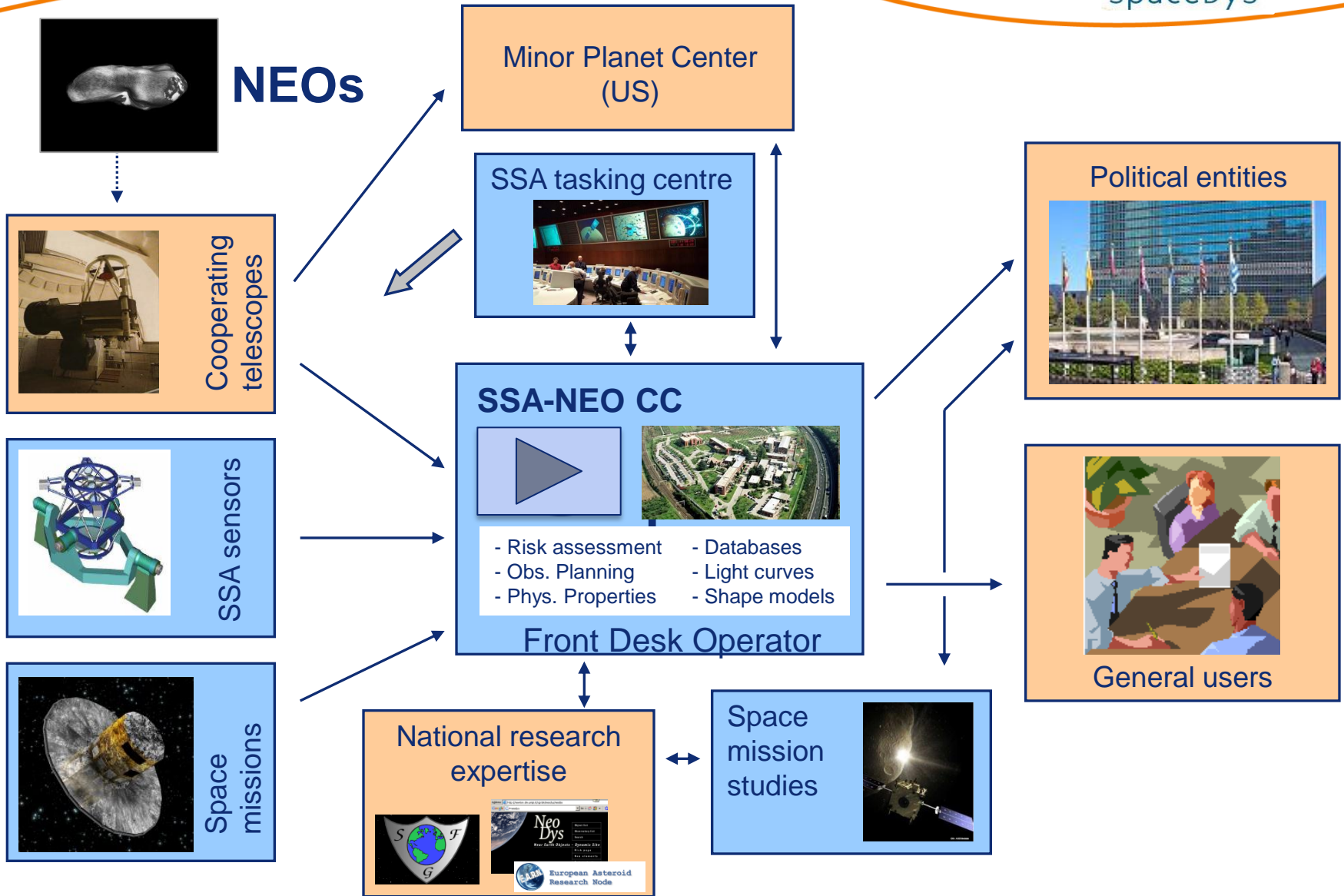
Apophis: heliocentric perturbed trajectory

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NEOCC Context Diagram



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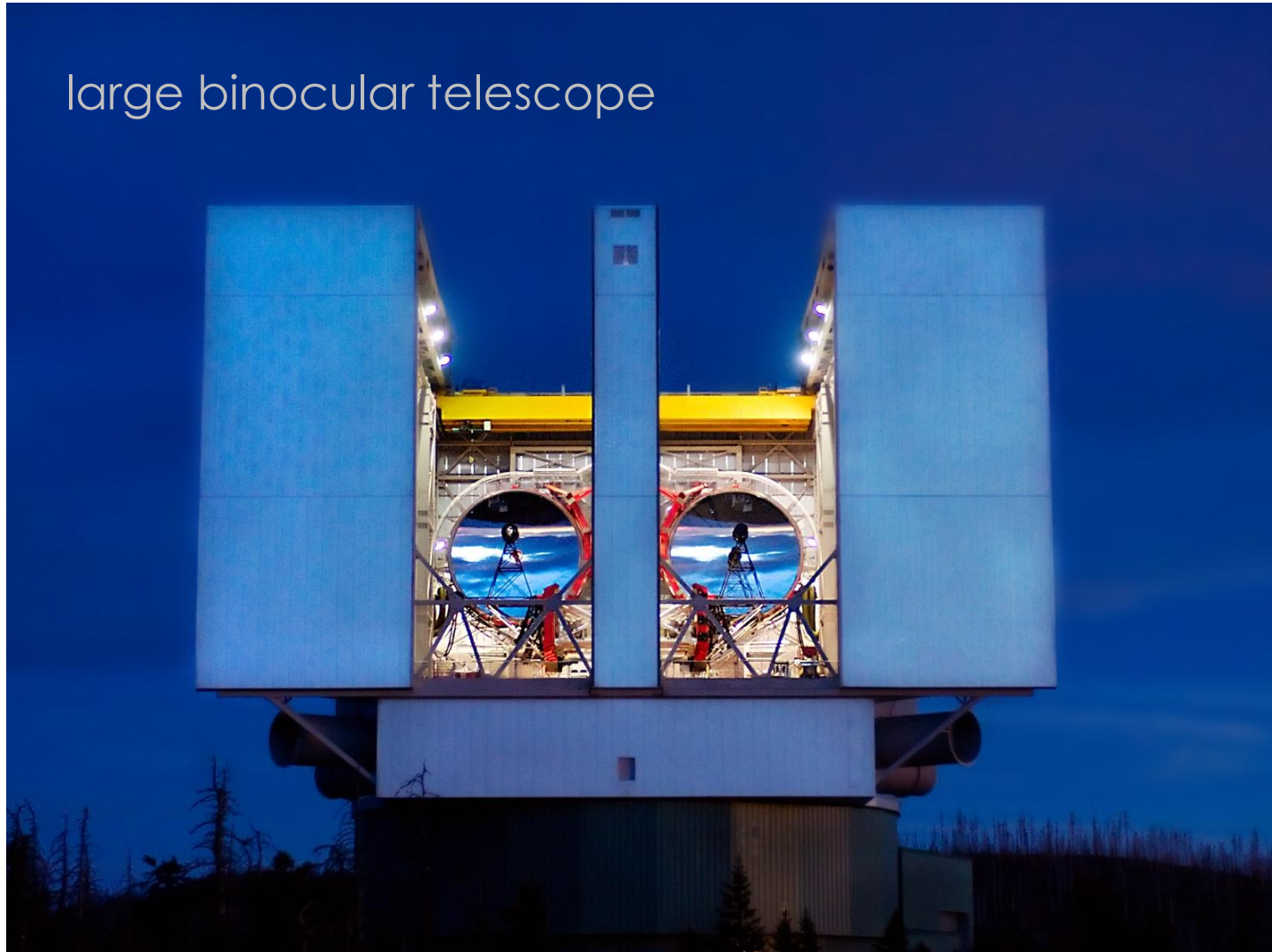
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large binocular telescope



NEOCC Priority List has been used as a Gaia simulator



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Gaia
FOLLOW-UP NETWORK FOR THE SOLAR SYSTEM OBJECTS

ABSTRACT
The observation of the Solar System Objects (SSO) by the Gaia space astrometry mission, to be launched in 2013, will be constrained by a scanning law. Several detections of interesting objects may be done with no possibility of further observations by the probe. These objects will then require complementary ground-based observations. In order to confirm from the ground the discoveries made in space and to follow interesting targets, a dedicated network is organized: Gaia-FUN-SSO, the Gaia Follow-Up Network. This task is performed in the frame of the Coordination Unit 4 of the Gaia Data Processing and Analysis Consortium, devoted to data processing of specific objects. The goal of the network will be to improve the knowledge of the orbit of poorly observed targets by astrometric observations on alert. This activity will be coordinated by a central node interacting with the Gaia data reduction pipeline all along the mission.

PROGRAM
Status of the Gaia mission
Gaia observation of the Solar System Objects
Update of Gaia-FUN-SSO organization
Observing sites participating to Gaia-FUN-SSO
Prelaunch observing campaigns
Training alerts past and next
Round table for discussion of the on-alert process
Round table for the actions to perform in 2013

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Telescopes from Gaia-FUN-SSO observed 2002 GT providing photometric and astrometric measurements.



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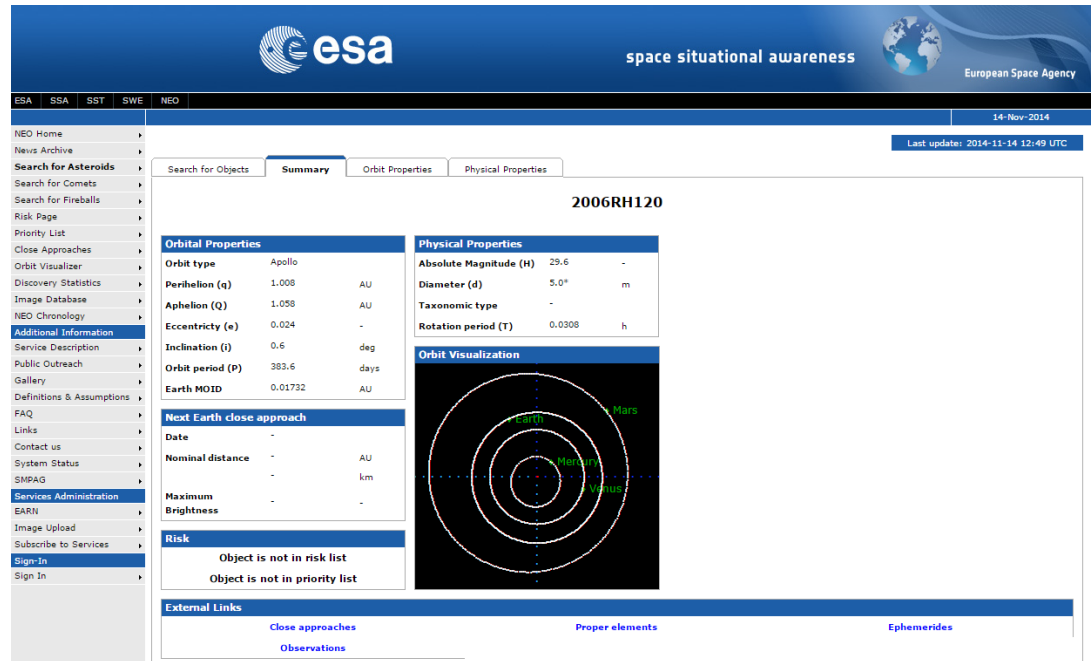
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Search for Objects Summary Orbit Properties Physical Properties

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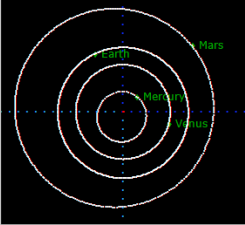
Orbital Properties		Physical Properties	
Orbit type	Apollo	Absolute Magnitude (H)	29.6 -
Perihelion (q)	1.008 AU	Diameter (d)	5.0* m
Aphelion (Q)	1.058 AU	Taxonomic type	-
Eccentricity (e)	0.024 -	Rotation period (T)	0.0308 h
Inclination (i)	0.6 deg		
Orbit period (P)	383.6 days		
Earth MOID	0.01732 AU		

Next Earth close approach	
Date	-
Nominal distance	- AU
	- km
Maximum Brightness	-

Risk

Object is not in risk list
Object is not in priority list

Orbit Visualization

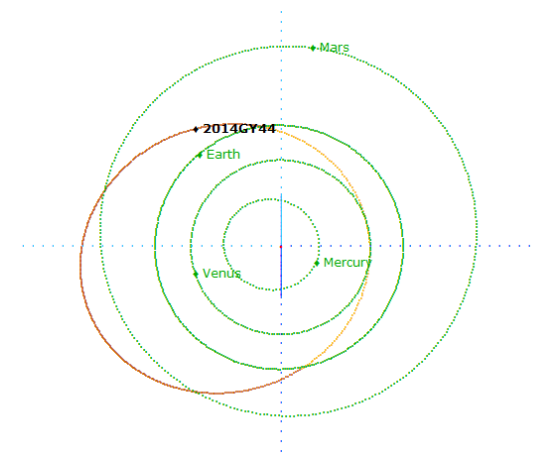


External Links

[Close approaches](#) [Proper elements](#) [Ephemerides](#)
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History: System Status before SN-V

- Orbital data: orbital elements of asteroids in NEODyS and AstDyS
- Impact Monitoring: link to NEODyS impactor tables
- Physical Properties: physical properties from EARN
- Close approaches: date, distance, velocity etc
- Priority List: objects in need of observations
- Orbit Visualization Tool: unperturbed asteroid orbits

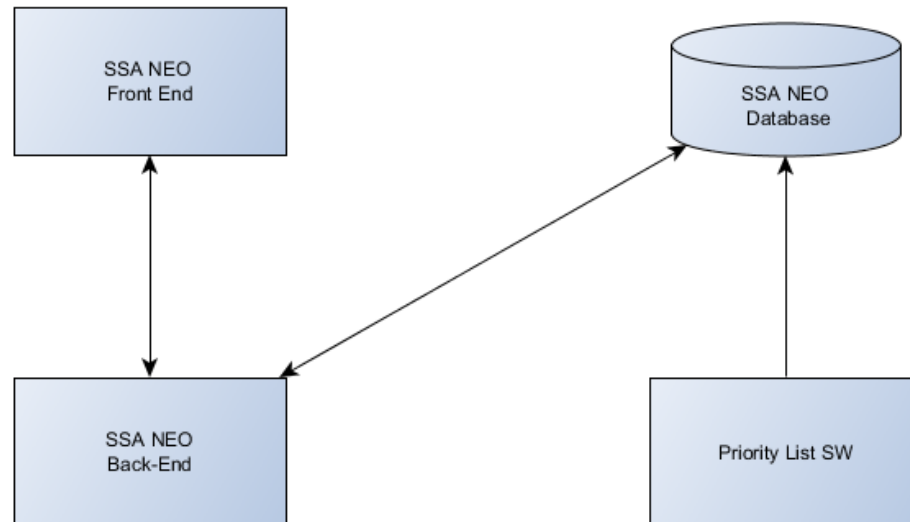


Where are we now? SN-V Improvements



- **Hardware set-up**
DEV, TST, IRE, OPE
- **Advanced algorithms implementation**
Max brightness, close encounter ephemerides computation
- **Visualization improvements**
Geocentric OVT, discovery statistics, enhanced graphic layout, news archive, banner rearrangement, new static contents, IAU NEO Chronology
- **Bug fixing**
Redmine testing management tool
80 bugs closed → 20 from SN-III
- **Operational procedures**
Failure and recovery procedures

SSA NEO Platforms: DEV, IRE, TST, OPE



Development → Testing → Security tests → Operations

DEV

TST

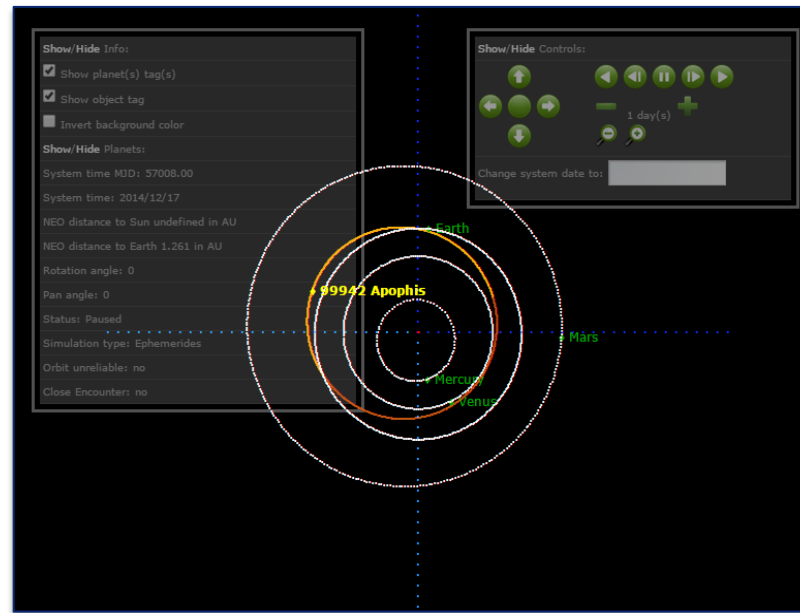
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Objects outside close encounters

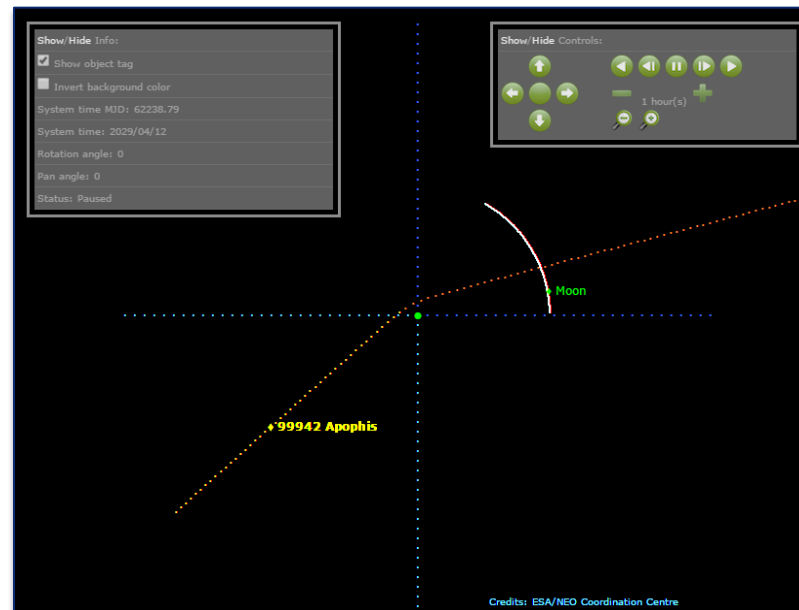
- Perturbed ephemerides pre-computed by NEODyS (steps of 1 day)
- Heliocentric system



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During a close encounter...

- Trajectory based on ephemerides pre-computed by NEODyS (steps of 1 hour)
- Perturbation from Earth and Moon is taken into account
- Geocentric reference frame



Physical properties upgrade

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Search for Objects | Summary | Orbit Properties | **Physical Properties**

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Physical properties

Rotational properties	Value	Unit	Source
Rotation Period	12.132	h	[4]
Quality	4	-	[13]
Amplitude	0.69-1.05	mag	[11]
Rotation Direction	-	-	[-]
Spinvector L	4.694936E0	rad <input type="text" value="rad"/>	[1]
Spinvector B	-1.570796E0	rad <input type="text" value="rad"/>	[1]

Taxonomy	Value	Unit	Source
Taxonomy	S(IV)	-	[2]
Taxonomy (all)	S(IV):Q	-	[3]

H / G	Value	Unit	Source
Absolute Magnitude (H)	19.51	mag	[5]
Slope Parameter (G)	0.29	mag	[6]
	0.15**	mag	[7]



Size and Albedo	Value	Unit	Source
Albedo	0.36	-	[8]
Diameter	520.0 270.0 230.0	m <input type="text" value="m"/>	[9]

Color Information	Value	Unit	Source
Color Information	-	-	[-]

Sightings	Value	Unit	Source
Sightings	Radar R	-	[4]

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Physical properties management SW
Physical properties Database alignment with EARN


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NEO Home
Search for Comets

Summary

67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko

Orbital Properties		
Orbit type	periodic	
Perihelion (q)	1.243	AU
Aphelion (Q)	5.682	AU
Eccentricity (e)	0.641	-
Inclination (i)	7	deg
Orbit period (P)	6.4	years
Epoch	56981.0	MJD

Next/Last Apparition	
Date	2015/08/13

Risk
Object is a Near-Earth Comet

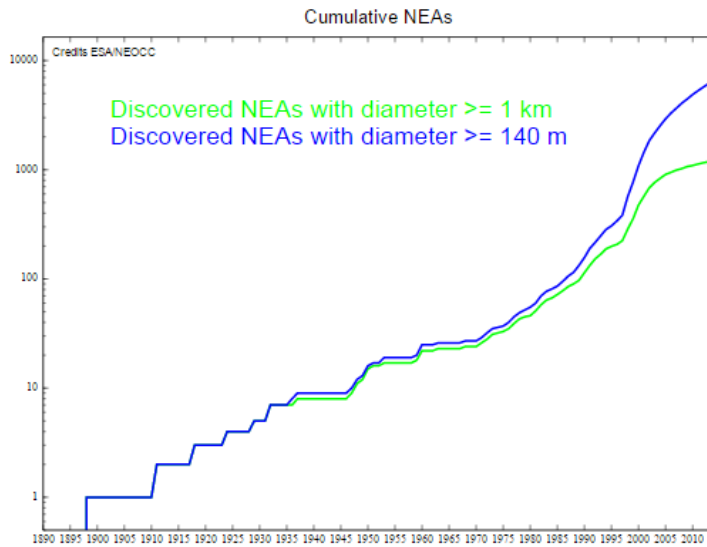
The whole catalogue of comets (more than 3000) has been imported from JPL and regularly updated <http://ssd.jpl.nasa.gov/dat/ELEMENTS.COMET>

Discovery Statics: Real-time plots

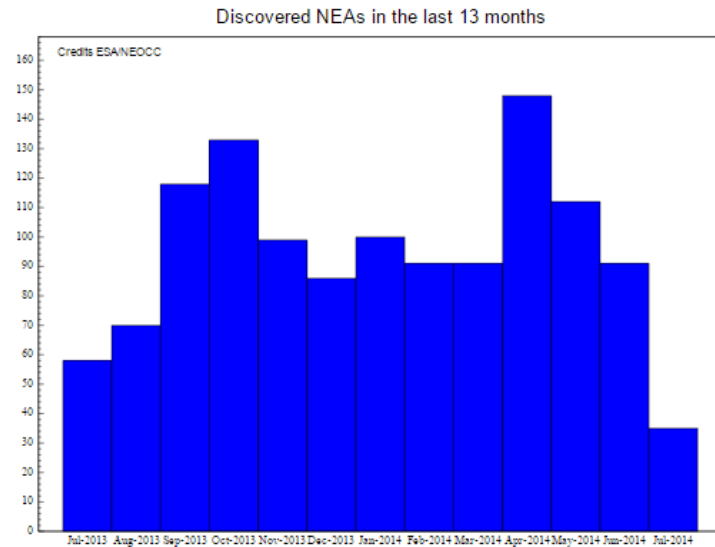
Statistics of NEAs discoveries refreshed daily from MPC data



Cumulative plot #2



Seasonal plot



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A Chronology of Milestones

1800 - 2200

7 October 2013 - version 41.0

Introduction

The following chronology lists

1. data of known NEAs with past nominal Earth close approach distances $d < 1.0$ LD;
2. data of known NEAs with future nominal Earth close approach distances $d < 10.0$ LD and minimum close approach distances $d < 1.0$ LD;
3. milestones of NEO/NEA research.

Information on categories 1) and 2) is quoted from the [NASA JPL NEO Program Close Approach Tables](http://neo.jpl.nasa.gov/ca/) for the period 1900 - 2200 A.D. as of 7 October 2013, available at neo.jpl.nasa.gov/ca/.

By listing in chronological order this broad selection of milestones on NEA research, an impression is offered of what has been done and what is being done in those fields.

For the meaning of the technical terms used, see [here](#)

Chronology: 1801 - 2880

1801, Jan 1	First and largest asteroid discovered, 1 Ceres ($H = 3.34$ mag, $D = 952$ km, main-belt asteroid), by Giuseppe Piazzi (1746 - 1826, Italy) at the Osservatorio Astronomico di Palermo. Asteroid <i>Cerere Ferdinandea</i> was named in honour of King Ferdinand IV of Sicily, and later became known simply as Ceres. Carl Gauss developed the math to determine an accurate orbit for Ceres and published his results in November 1801. Given the definition of planets and dwarf planets accepted by the IAU XXVI General Assembly in 2006, Ceres is considered a dwarf planet rather than an asteroid. See: <1Ceres>. Ref: - G. Piazzi, 1802, <i>Della scoperta del nuovo pianeta Cerere Ferdinandea</i> (Palermo: Nella Stamperia Reale). See also: <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ceres_(dwarf_planet)>, <www.space.com/12969-giant-asteroid-ceres-telescopes-skyswatching.html>.
1803, Apr 26	L'Aigle Meteorite . In the early afternoon of 26 April 1803 a meteorite shower of more than 3000 fragments fell upon the town of L'Aigle (Normandy, France). See: <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/L'Aigle_(meteorite)>.
1807, Dec 14	Weston Meteorite . At 6:30 on the morning of 14 December 1807, a blazing fireball about two-thirds the size of the Moon was seen traveling southwards by early risers in Vermont and Massachusetts (USA). Three loud explosions were heard over the town of Weston in Fairfield County, Connecticut. Stone fragments fell in at least 6 places. See: <peabody.yale.edu/collections/meteorites-and-planetary-science/veston-meteorite>, <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Weston_meteorite>.
1840, Jun 12	Uden Meteorite (Netherlands). A 600 g meteorite was found. See: <www.dvc.knaw.nl/DL/publications/PU00015500.pdf>, <www.sterrenkunde.nl/index/encyclopedie/meteoren.html>.
1843, Jun 2	Blauwkapel Meteorite (Netherlands). Two pieces were found, of 2.7 and 7 kg. See: <www.dvc.knaw.nl/DL/publications/PU00015500.pdf>, <www.sterrenkunde.nl/index/encyclopedie/meteoren.html>.
1859, Nov 15	New York City Fireball and Airburst (USA). See: <www.meteoritehistory.info/AJS/S2VIEWS/V30P186.HTM>, <en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_meteor_air_bursts>.
1860, Jul 20	The Meteor Procession of 20 July 1860, visible from the Great Lakes to New York State (USA), continuing out over the Atlantic Ocean. Ref: - Walt Whitman, 1859-1860, in <i>Leaves of Grass</i> , "Year of Meteors." - A.G. Pope, 5-1-2010, <i>Astronomical dating of Edvard Munch's summer sky paintings</i> , University Honors Program, Texas State University; - R. Sinnott, 2010, <i>Sky & Telescope</i> , 7 June 2010, "Walt Whitman's "Meteor-Procession"."

NEOCC now hosts the NEO Chronology page of the IAU (International Astronomical Union)

<http://www.iau.org/>

Regular News release on the SSA NEO Web Portal, News Archive, MPML postings

The screenshot shows the ESA NEOCC website interface. At the top, there is the ESA logo and the text "space situational awareness" and "European Space Agency". A navigation bar includes links for ESA, SSA, SST, SWE, and NEO. The main content area is titled "NEO Coordination Centre" and "Precursor services". It features two statistics: "Current number of known NEAs: 11609" and "Current number of NEAs in risk list: 460". A "News" section is active, with a sub-heading "Focus on: ESA OGS" dated "30 October 2014". The news text describes the ESA Optical Ground Station (OGS) and its role in NEO observations. A photograph of the OGS telescope is shown on the left. A sidebar on the left contains a "NEO Home" menu with various links like "News Archive", "Search for Asteroids", "Risk Page", etc.

Compliance against requirements: SN-III + new functionalities

System level testing

Iterative → set of processes at system level

Recursive → successive levels of system

Verification performed on the
TST platform (FAT)

Validation on the OPE
platform (OSAT)



Verification Methods

- Inspection
- Analysis
- Demonstration
- Test
- Review

Operational Procedures in case of system failure

STUDY CASE

ISSUE: Number of NEOs not updated, Search unavailable

FDOs: New bodies present in the DB but not on-line (TST and then OPE)

ICT: MySQL and server logs analysis → system restart is necessary

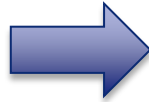
ESA: authorization to restart the TST and OPE systems

SSA NEO TEAM: System functionality back to normal

Enhanced portal ready for future entries

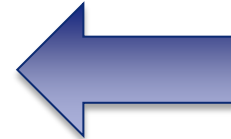
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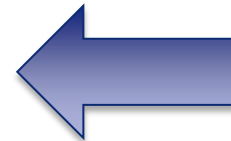


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Fireball database



Population model



openAM authentication

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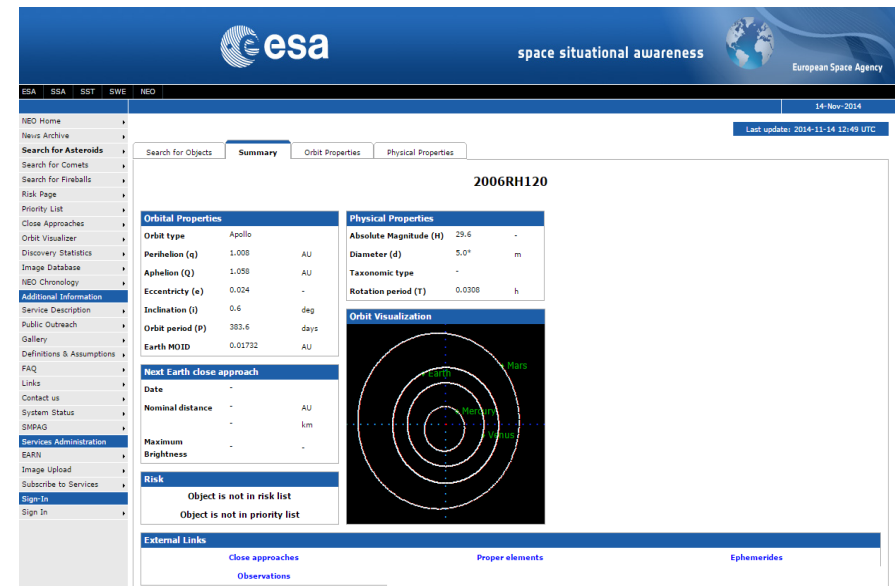
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Orbital Properties		Physical Properties	
Orbit type	Apollo	Absolute Magnitude (H)	25.6
Perihelion (q)	1.008 AU	Diameter (d)	5.0 ^m m
Aphelion (Q)	1.058 AU	Taxonomic type	-
Eccentricity (e)	0.024	Rotation period (T)	0.0300 h
Inclination (i)	0.6 deg		
Orbit period (P)	383.6 days		
Earth MOID	0.01732 AU		

Next Earth close approach

Date	-
Nominal distance	- AU
MIAPG	- km
Maximum Brightness	-

Risk

Object is not in risk list
Object is not in priority list

External Links

Close approaches Proper elements Ephemerides
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SpaceDyS



~ 11 600 **known** NEOs

...of which...

~ 460 (4 %) have **impact solutions** (VIs) in the next century
(according to NEODyS and Sentry)

However... of those VIs:

- Only ~2 % have **more than one apparition**
- ~90 % are **lost!**



We need to find a way to improve these numbers by:

- Prevent the new ones from being lost
- “Recover” some of the lost ones

There are basically three ways to deal with this problem:

- Extend the **observed arc** at the discovery apparition
- Attempt wide-field **recoveries** at the next apparition
- Try to locate **precovery** observations in existing archives

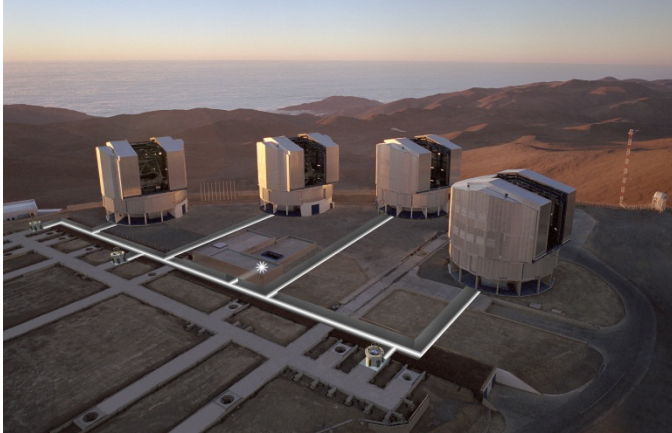


These goals can be achieved using:

- **Large aperture** telescopes
- **Wide-field** imagers
- Large **repositories** of astronomical images

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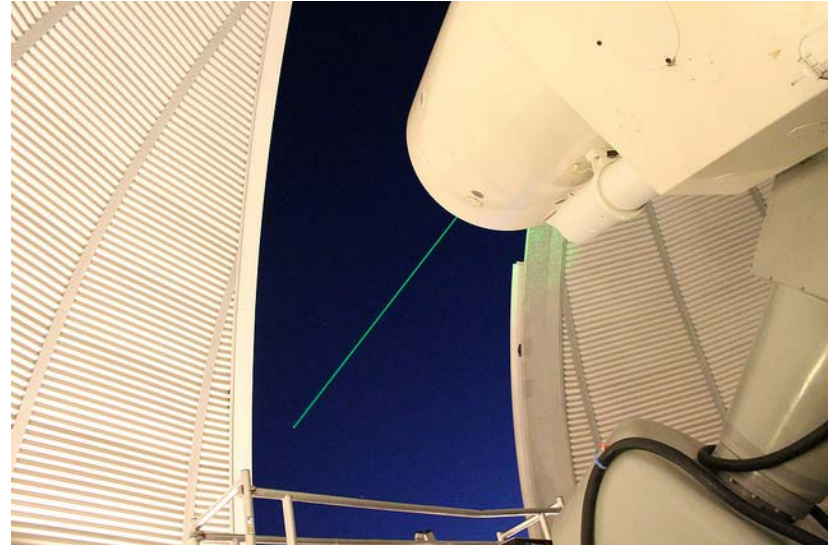
The observational network



Plus many other
European and
International
collaborations...

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ESA Optical Ground Station (OGS)



A **1.0 meter** ESA telescope in Tenerife, Canary Islands.
Originally designed for satellite optical communication experiments

We have **4 to 8 nights per month**, around new Moon

Follow-up activities

The OGS is one of the few follow-up facilities that can reach magnitude 22

In 2014 we have:

Almost 200 NEO observed (~20 per run)

~10-15 NEO candidates targeted every night (~50 % turn out to be actual NEOs)

Success rate of observations (= target located): ~85 %

1-2 NEO or comet recoveries per month

TOTAS survey

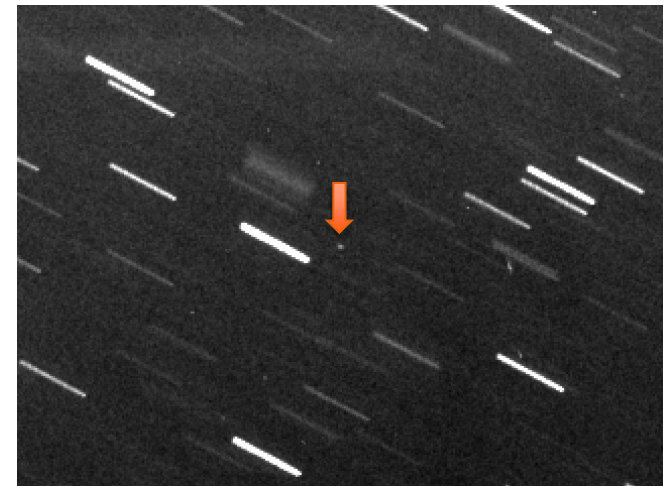
We perform ~2 hours of survey per night, coordinated by Matthias Busch

In 2014 we have:

Discovered 5 NEOs (10th most successful discovery station in 2014)

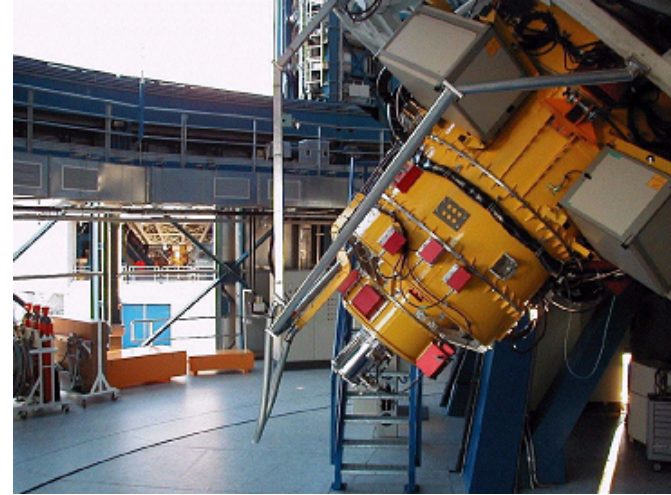
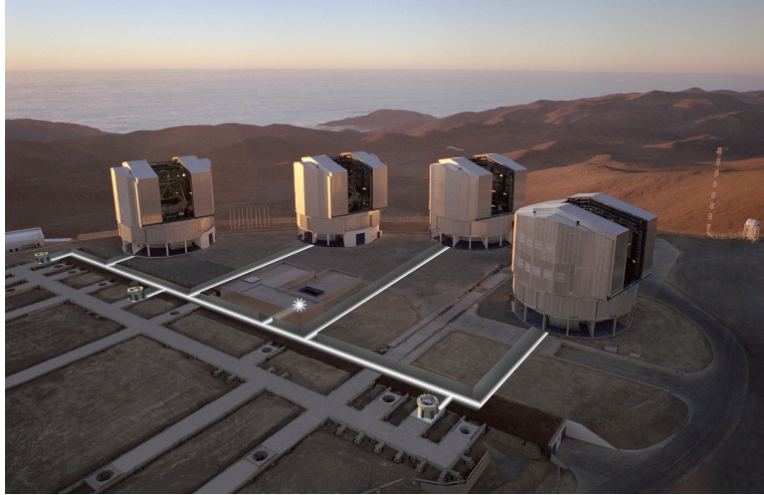
1 current VI discovery: 2014 QN266

1 comet discovered in 2014: P/2014 C1 (TOTAS)



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ESO Very Large Telescope (VLT)



Four large **8.2 meter** telescopes at Cerro Paranal, Chile

We use the FORS2 camera on the first telescope, 7 arcminutes field

We have **~11 hours per semester** to observe Virtual Impactors, thanks to an agreement with ESO

Follow-up

2014 AF16, a dangerous case

Getting fainter fast, **unobservable until the time of impact!**

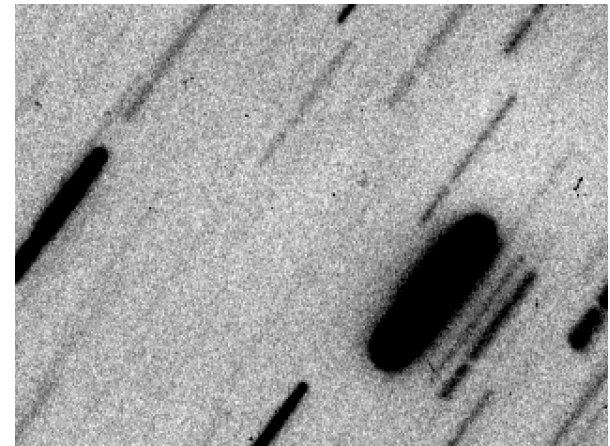
Observed in March 2014, $V=25$, $\sim 5^\circ$ from the **galactic center!**

Thanks to these observations, the 2026 VI was removed

2014 GY44, one of the faintest

Very faint object, **lost if not reobserved**

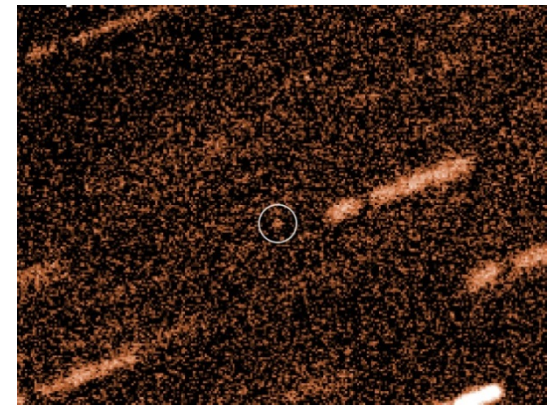
IP went up, but now recoverable



Recoveries

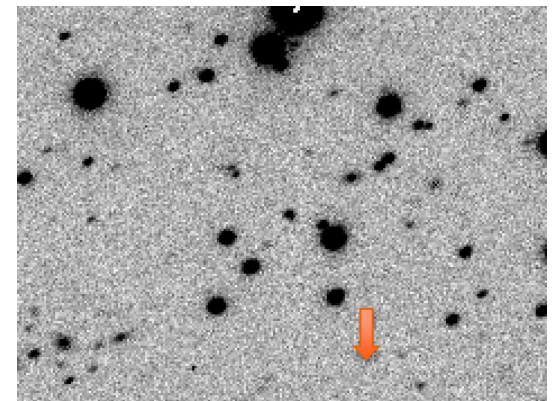
2009 FD, the most dangerous NEO

We recovered it in November 2013,
Very faint ($V=25.5$) and close to the Sun
The impact probability went up! (1/400)



2012 HP13, a faint recovery

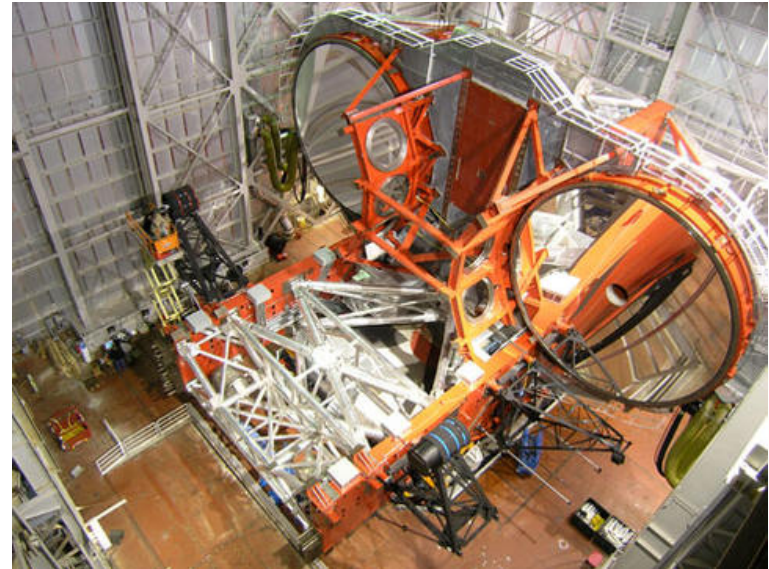
Observed for **only 5 days** in 2012
Recovered at $V=24$ in 2014
Published on MPEC 2014-J53
All impact solutions were removed



(NOT the one near the center!)

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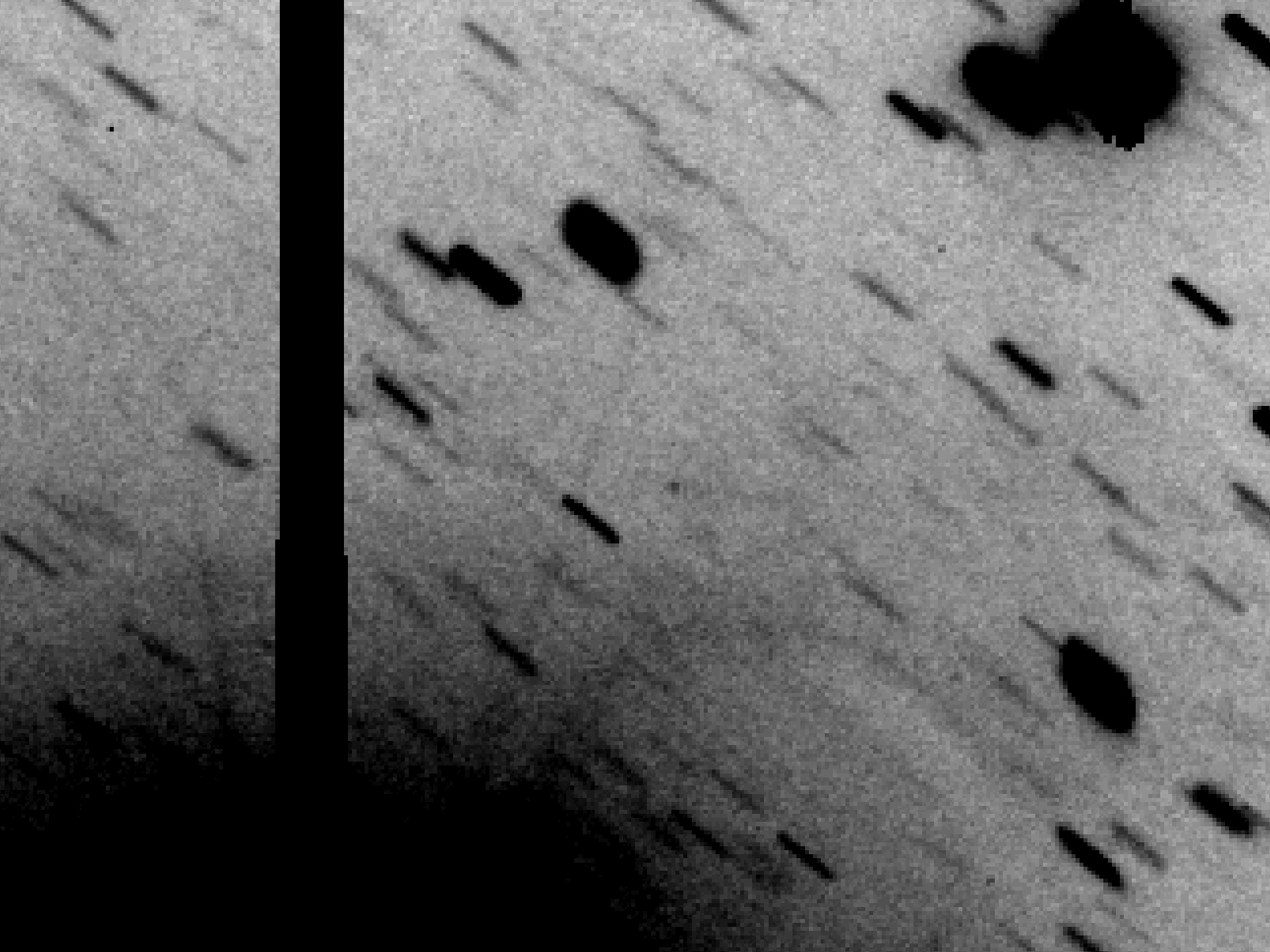
Large Binocular Telescope (LBT)



Two twin comounted **8.4 meter** telescopes

Two wide field cameras, 27 arcminutes field, different sensitivities

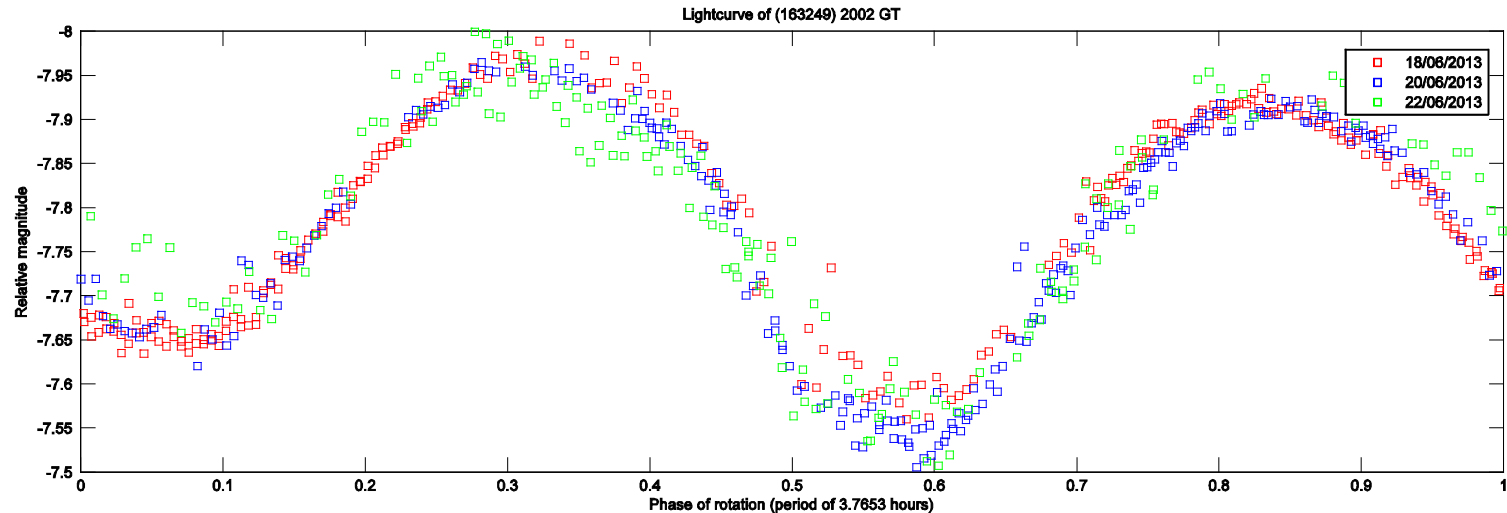
We are developing an agreement with the Italian partnership (INAF) for **DDT time**



Collaborations started during SN-V

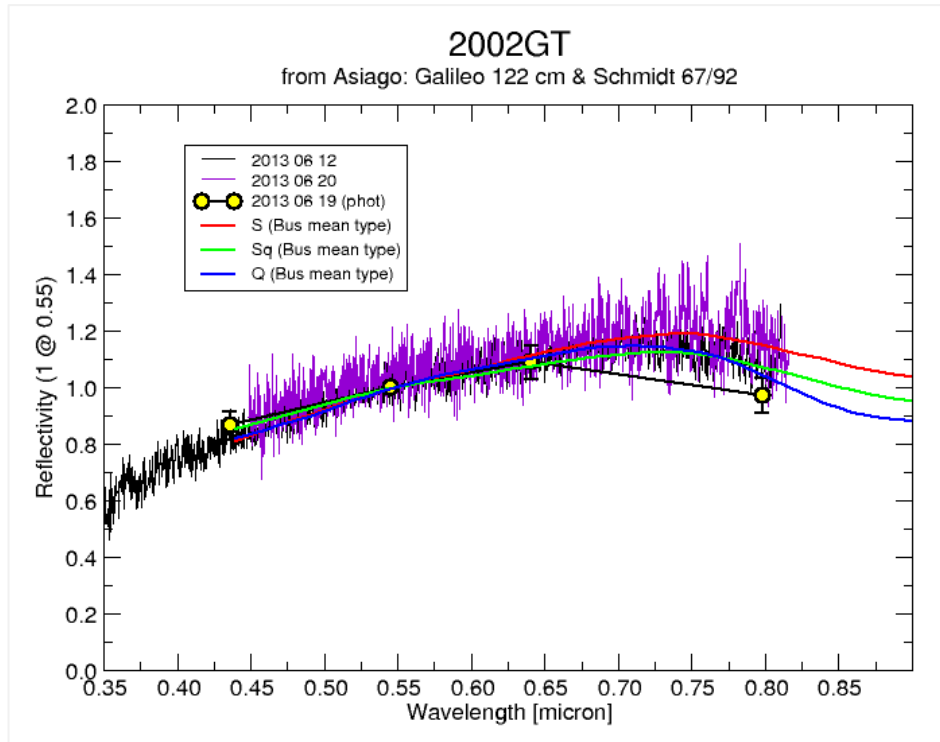
- Campo Imperatore, Italy
- Asiago Observatory, Italy
- Mauna Kea Observatories, Hawaii, USA
- Observatoire de la Cote d'Azur, France
- EURONEAR network
- GAIA FUN-SSO network
- LCOGT network
- La Sagra Observatory, Spain (SLA)
- ...and many others





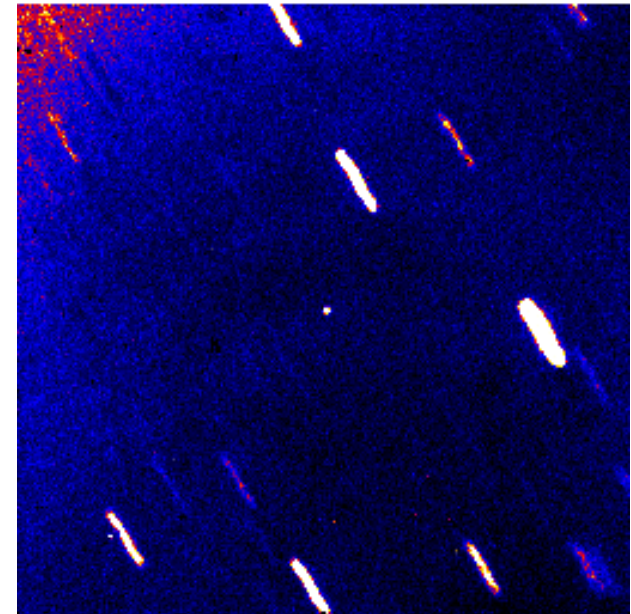
Photometry and light-curve data from the 1 meter diameter C2PU telescope at the Observatoire de la Cote d'Azur allowed determination of the rotation period (3.77 hours).





Spectra from Asiago Observatory (University of Padova and Observatory of Padova) allowed determination of the asteroid type (Sq)

Campo Imperatore Observatory (IT)

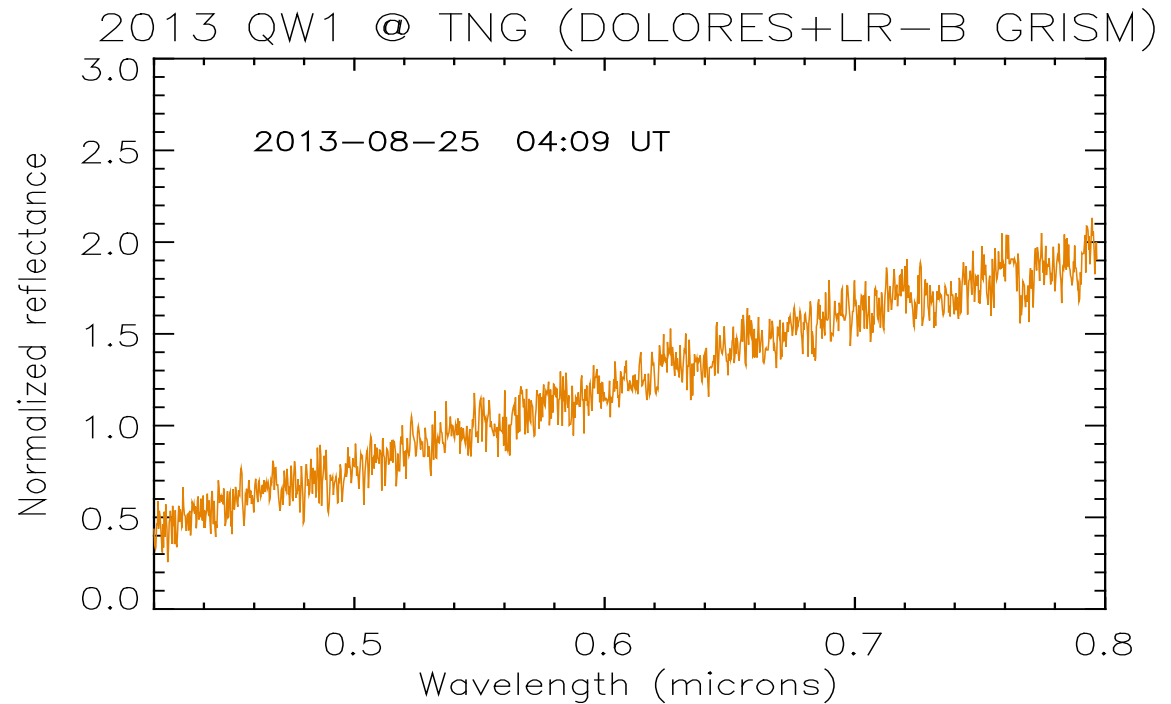
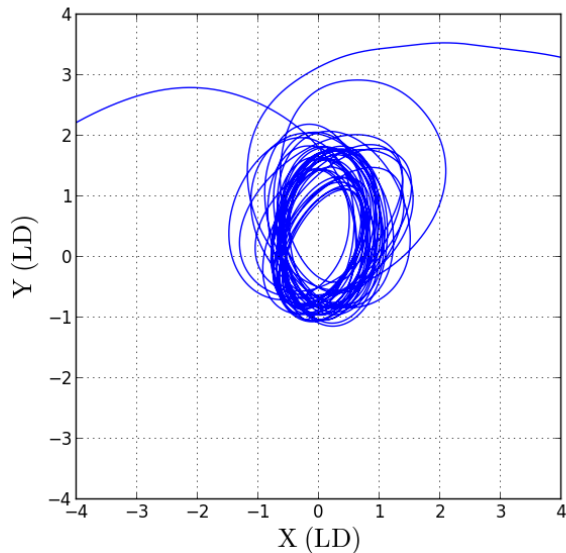


2002GT
30 Jun 2013 from 23:22:07 to 23:47:20 UTC

Infrared observations from the Campo Imperatore Station of the INAF OAR

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2013 QW1: Natural or artificial?



The outcome does not resemble an asteroid spectrum, and provided evidence of the **artificial** nature of 2013 QW1.

Now identified with 2010-050B.

What can we do if the object is already gone, and lost?

We can search for precoveries **in existing data**

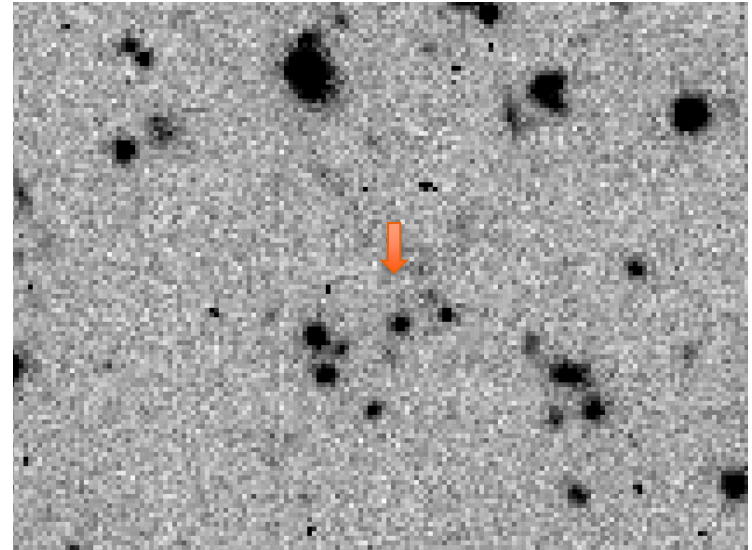
Main sources:

- Archives from large telescopes (e.g. CFHT, DECam)
- Archives from asteroid surveys (e.g. Pan-STARRS)
- Internal archive from cooperating observatories

We need a tool to locate moving objects in these data:

- Existing web tools (e.g. CADC SSOIS, SkyMorph)
- Survey-specific tools

2008 CK70, top-10 in the list of VI
5-day arc, would have been lost
We found precovery images in CFHT
One month before (**arc extension**)
The impactor was removed



2014 BB33, a Main Belt asteroid “posing” as an NEO
Discovered by Pan-STARRS, H=17 in a preliminary PHA-like orbit
Five nights of precoveries in the Pan-STARRS database
Arc extended from 2 days to 215 days (**chain of precoveries**)
Immediately removed as a VI

Object	Date	PS ₀	Telescope	Instrument	Archive
2007 UW1	2013-11-28	-3.4	CFHT	MegaCam	-
2013 XE2	2013-12-10	-4.0	PS1	GPC	PS1
2008 CK70	2013-12-18	-3.1	CFHT	MegaCam	CADC
2013 BP73	2013-12-20	-3.8	SDSS	SDSS	CADC
2013 YC	2014-01-22	-2.9	VLT (UT1)	FORS2	-
2014 BD33	2014-01-29	-4.2	PS1	GPC	PS1
2004 BX159	2014-02-18	-4.5	CFHT	MegaCam	CADC
2014 AF16	2014-03-11	-2.4	VLT (UT1)	FORS2	-
2012 HP13	2014-04-09	-6.6	VLT (UT1)	FORS2	-
2014 DN112	2014-05-01	-3.6	VLT (UT1)	FORS2	-
2014 HM129	2014-05-22	-4.2	VLT (UT1)	FORS2	-
2014 HM187	2014-05-28	-4.5	VLT (UT1)	FORS2	-
2012 VU76	2014-06-09	-6.1	VLT (UT1)	FORS2	-
2013 YD48	2014-06-30	-4.8	VLT (UT1)	FORS2	-
2014 LU27	2014-07-17	-2.4	PS1	GPC	PS1
2014 PB58	2014-08-12	-4.5	PS1	GPC	PS1
2014 QF392	2014-08-14	-8.0	PS1	GPC	PS1
2014 QJ392	2014-08-14	-6.1	PS1	GPC	PS1
2014 RC	2014-09-04	-7.0	PS1	GPC	PS1
2014 KC46	2014-10-30	-4.1	LBT	LBC	-

20 objects
in less than one year
and counting...

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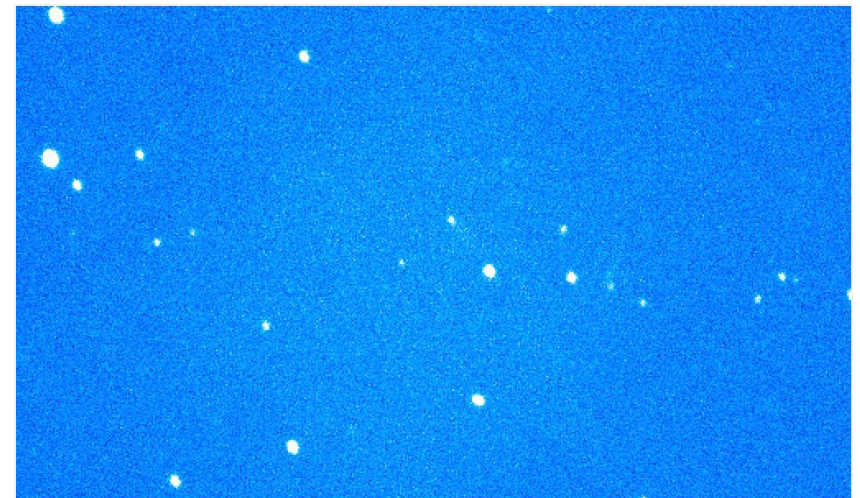
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Precursor Service Operation achievements



■ Carry out NEO Segment Precursor Service Operations

- regular news posting
- Chelyabinsk event coverage
- operational concept and procedures definition
- Reassessment of the documentation: release 1.0 in esa format
- **Project management, engineering coordination and team building**

■ Maintain and improve the NEO System web portal and database

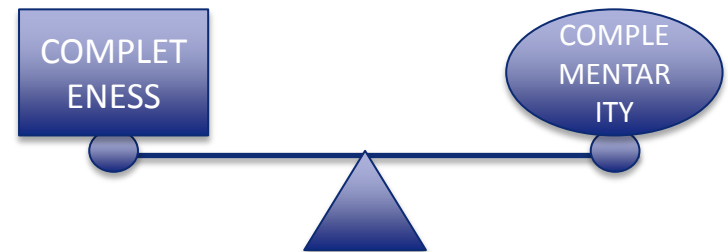
- OVT extended to perturbed orbits and geocentric frame
- Maximum brightness at close approach
- Dynamically updated discovery statistics
- IAU NEO Chronology page migration
- Catalogue of Cometary orbits
- OpenAM authentication
- Enhanced web portal layout
- **System Installation package**

■ Contribute to NEO observations

- ESA OGS (Tenerife)
- INAF (Asiago, Campo Imperatore, TNG, LBT)
- ESO VLT (Chile)
- Gaia FUN-SSO

■ Establish the NEO Coordination Centre as an authoritative entity

- MPML posting
- **JPL NEO Program interface**
- EU connection through NEOShield-2 (H2020) and Stardust (Marie Curie)
- PDC 2015 organization
- Scientific publications, presentations, press releases
- Education and Public Outreach
- **Risk Communication**



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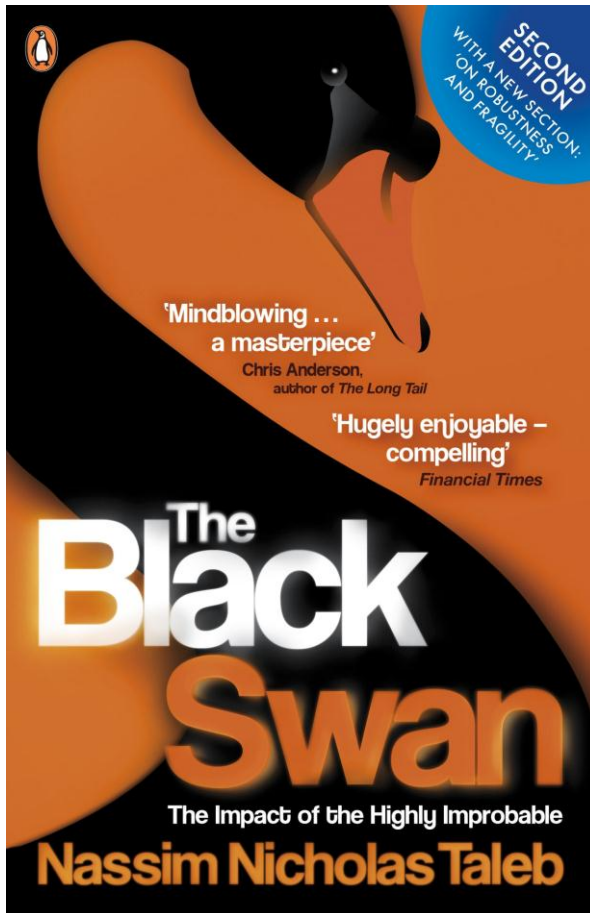
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Meteorite Explosion Full - Russia Chelyabinsk 2/15/13 - Part 1 & 2 - Same Day Asteroid passes Earth



THE EXPERTS PROBLEM

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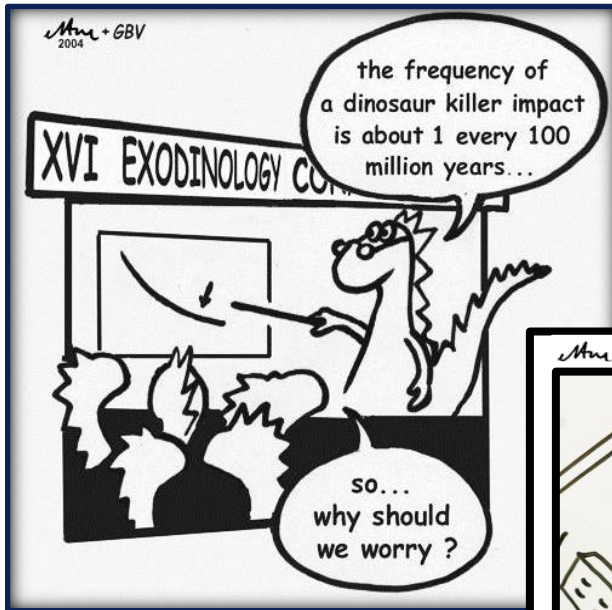
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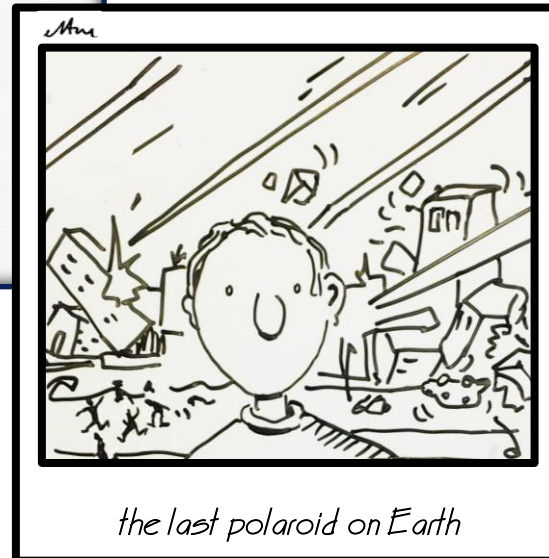
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LESSONS LEARNED



WHAT NOT TO DO:

BE OVEROPTIMISTIC



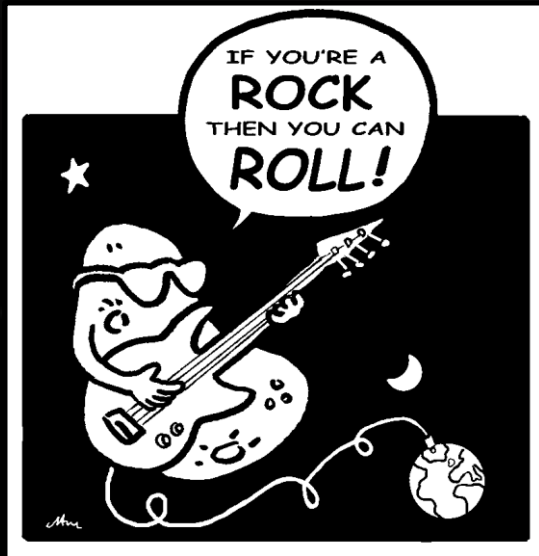
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WHAT TO DO:

KEEP ON ROCKING



thank you!