

# EUCLID

## Mission Assessment Study

Observing the Dark Universe with EUCLID

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# Introduction

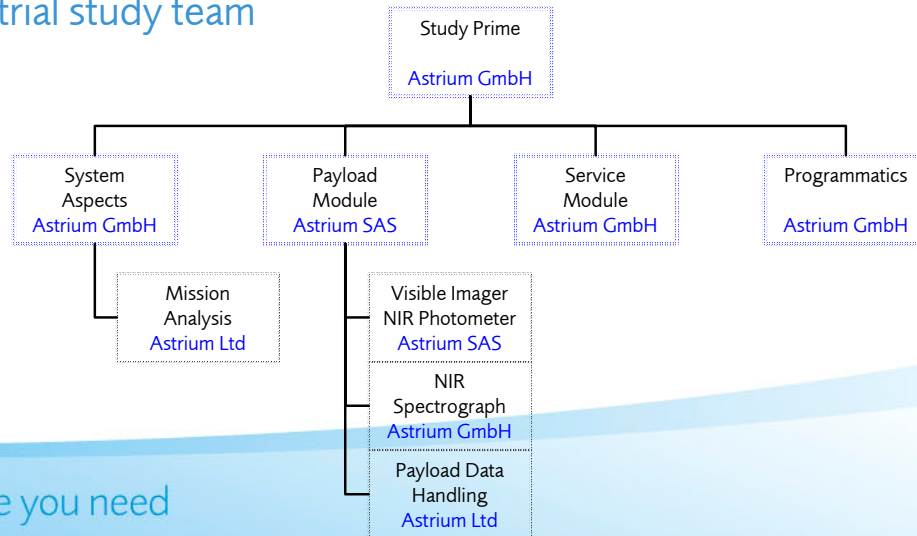
## EUCLID Mission Assessment Study

- Industrial part of the Assessment Phase (2008 – 2009)
- Phase 0: mission definition, system concepts

## Study objectives

- Define mission at system level
- Demonstrate technical feasibility
- Demonstrate programmatic feasibility
- Analysis of entire space segment

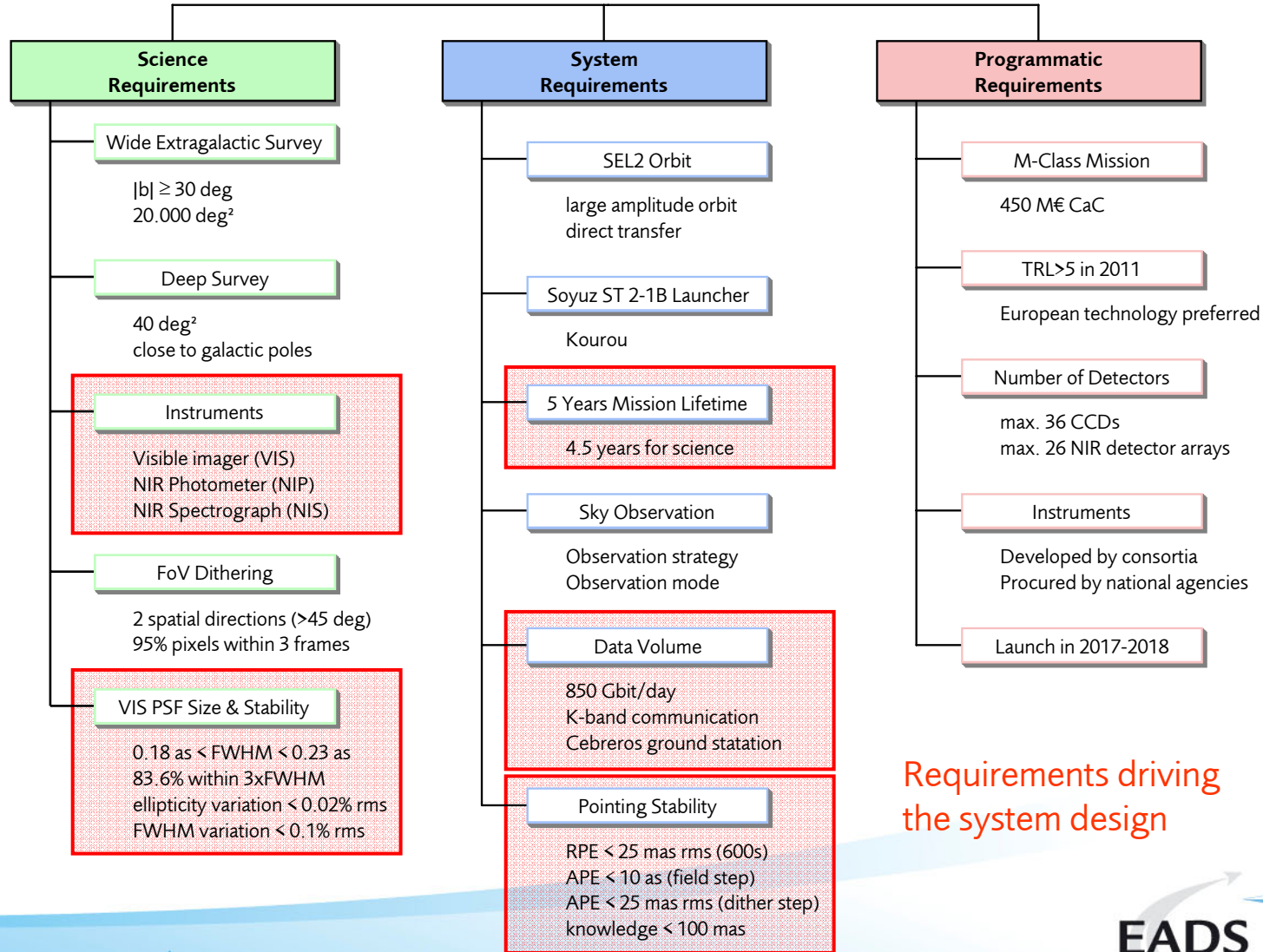
## Industrial study team



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# Top-Level Requirements



Requirements driving the system design



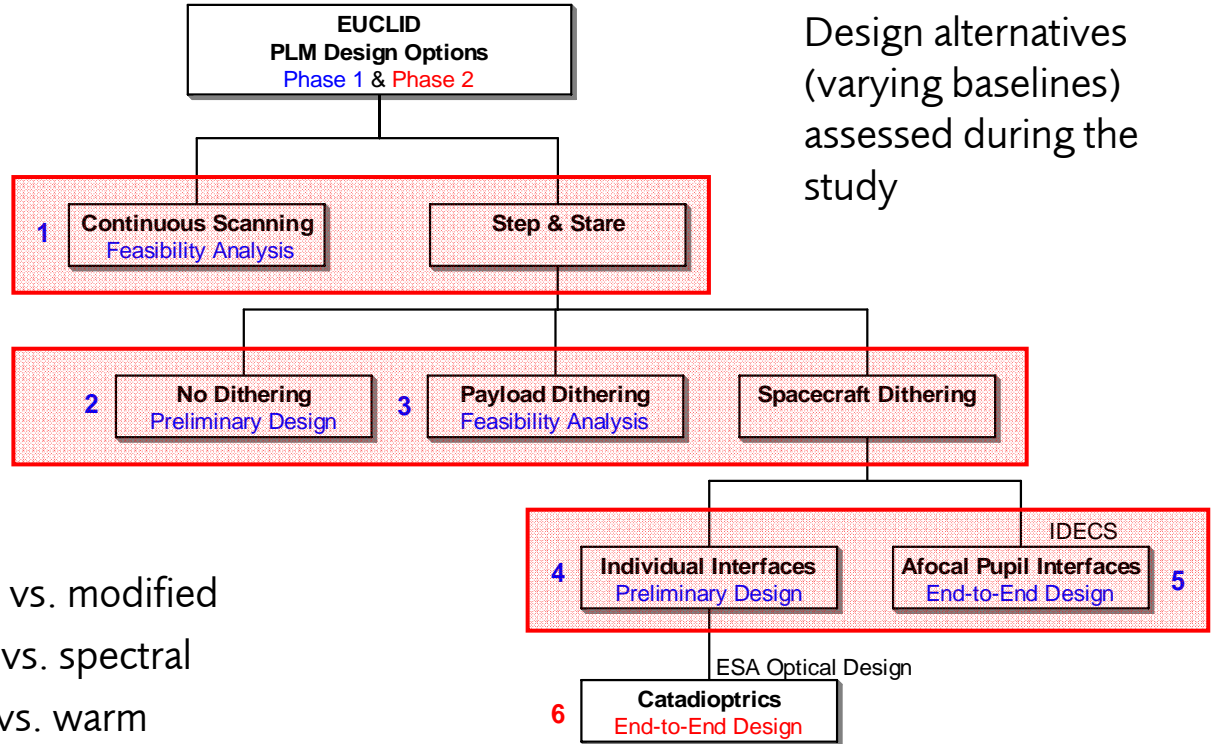
# Driving Requirements

| Requirement           |  | Major system impact  |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Instruments           | VIS, NIP, NIS  | Payload interfaces<br>→ AIT  |
| Mission lifetime      | 4.5 years  | Observation strategy<br>→ Thermal design<br>AOCS design<br>→ Duty cycle  |
| Ellipticity stability | $\sigma_e < 0.02\%$ rms<br>over 3 days                                       | Thermal stability (~30 mK)<br>→ Thermal design<br>→ Observation strategy |
| Pointing stability    | APE < 25 mas rms<br>(dither steps)   | AOCS design<br>→ Payload star tracker<br>Thermal design                  |
| Data volume           | 850 Gbit/day   | Communication system<br>→ On-board compression<br>→ Data rate            |
| PSF size (VIS)        | $0.18'' \leq \text{FWHM} \leq 0.23''$<br>83.6% within $3 \times \text{FWHM}$ | Increase PSF<br>→ AOCS, mechanism, optics                                |

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# Major System Trades

- Observation mode
- Dithering
- Instrument interfaces



Design alternatives (varying baselines) assessed during the study

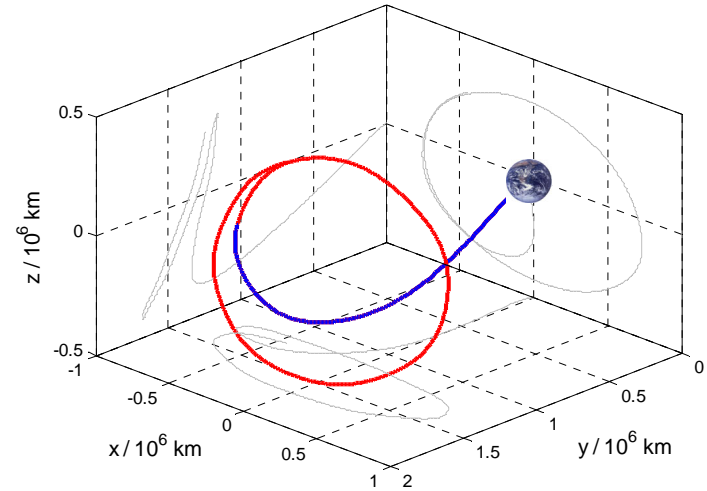
- Observation strategy: basic vs. modified
- VIS/NIP separation: spatial vs. spectral
- Payload temperature: cold vs. warm
- Spectroscopy: multi-object vs. slitless

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# Orbit & Transfer

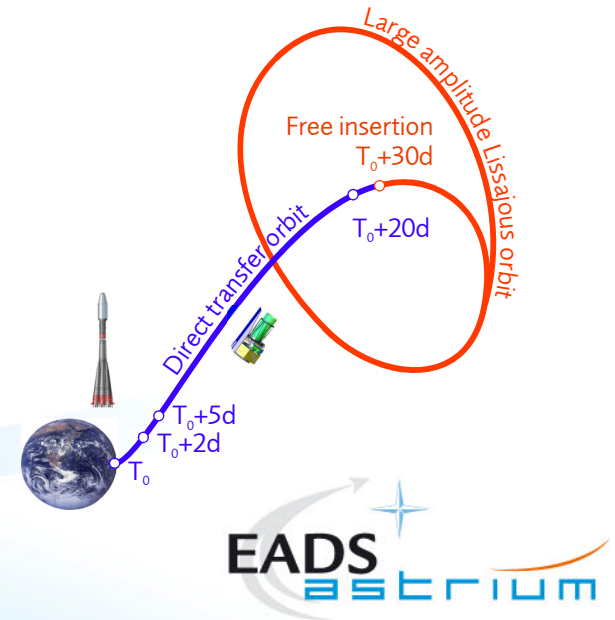
## Operational orbit

- SEL2 (0.01 AU= $1.5 \times 10^6$  km from Earth)
- Free-insertion large-amplitude orbit
- No eclipses
- SSE angle  $\leq 30$  deg
- Daily visibility  $\geq 4$  h/day
- Orbit maintenance: every 30 days, guarantees non-escape orbits
- $\Delta V \sim 20$  m/s for station keeping (every month)



## Launch & transfer scenario

- Soyuz ST 2-1B from Kourou
- Direct injection into transfer orbit
- 3 correction manoeuvres:  $\Delta V \sim 34$  m/s
- Transfer time: 30 days
- Transfer orbit inclination: 5.3 deg
- Total mass capacity: 2160 kg
- Fairing dynamic envelope:  $\varnothing 3.2$  m



# Sky Observation

- Step & stare observation mode

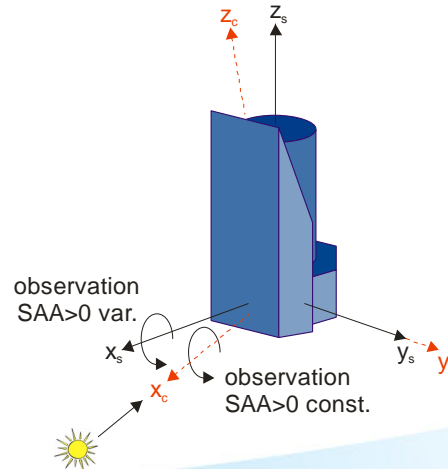
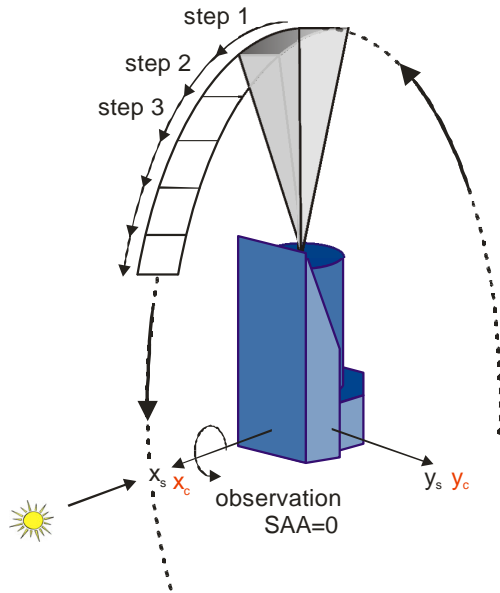
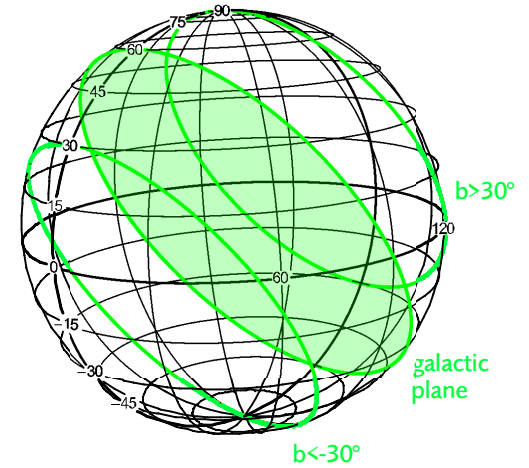
## Nominal mode

- Sunshield always  $\perp$  to Sun direction ( $SAA = 0$ )

## Equinox mode

- Spacecraft tilted away from Sun during Equinoxes
- Observation along small circles
- Observation along great circles

wide survey: 20.000 deg<sup>2</sup>



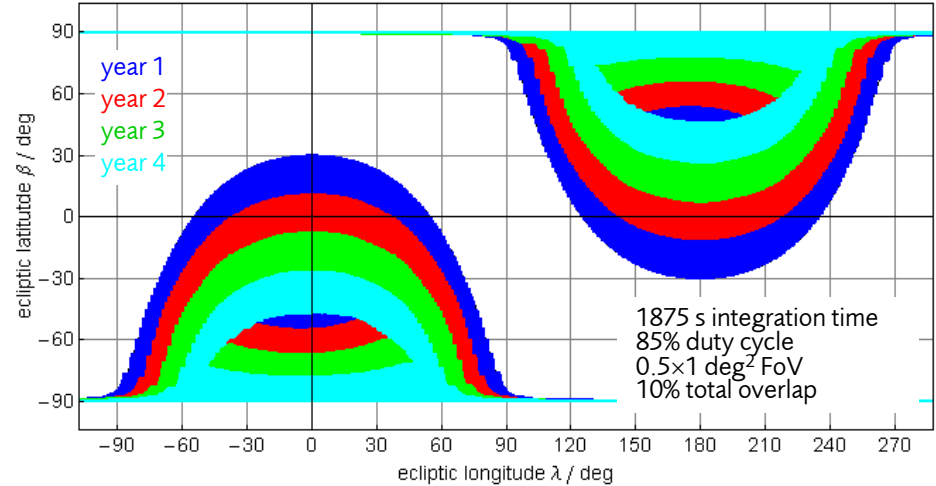
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# Sky Observation

## Sky observation simulation

- Nominal mode (44740 fields)
- Equinox mode (5141 fields)
- Deep survey (90 fields, 29 revisits)
- SAA determined by missing area



## Mission duration determined by

- Integration time
- Duty cycle
- FoV

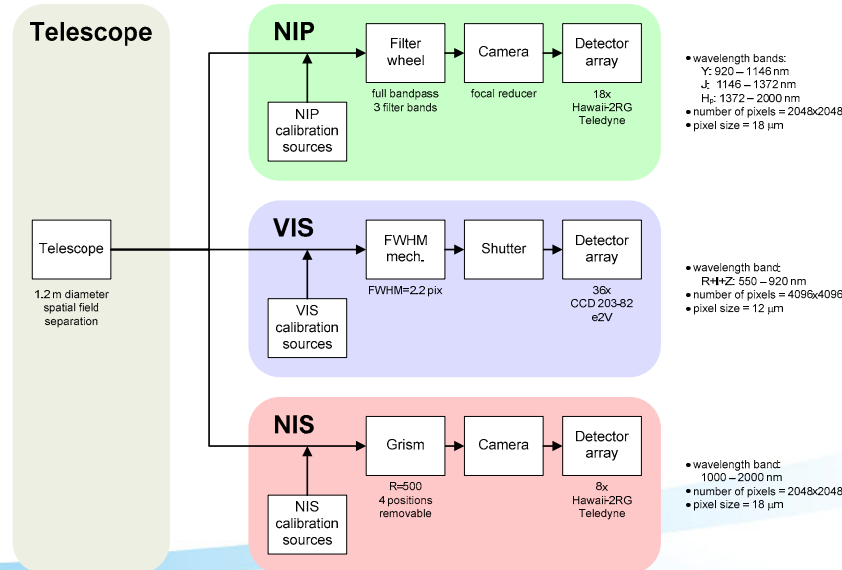
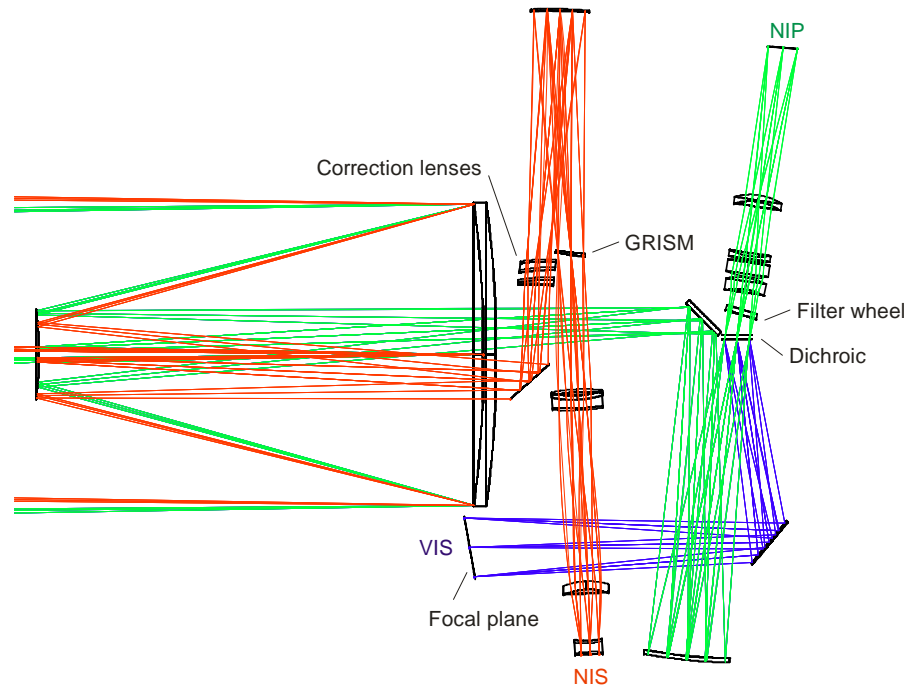
| Total time per field [s] | FoV [deg <sup>2</sup> ] | Maximum SAA [deg] |         |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|
|                          |                         | 4 years           | 5 years |
| 2200                     | 0.5 × 1                 | 42.5              | 14.5    |
| 2734                     | 0.478 × 1.031           | –                 | 41.5    |
| 2734                     | 0.535 × 1.085           | 48.5              | 25.0    |

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# Instrument Definition

## Payload module

- Telescope and payload bench
- VIS instrument
- NIP instrument
- NIS instrument

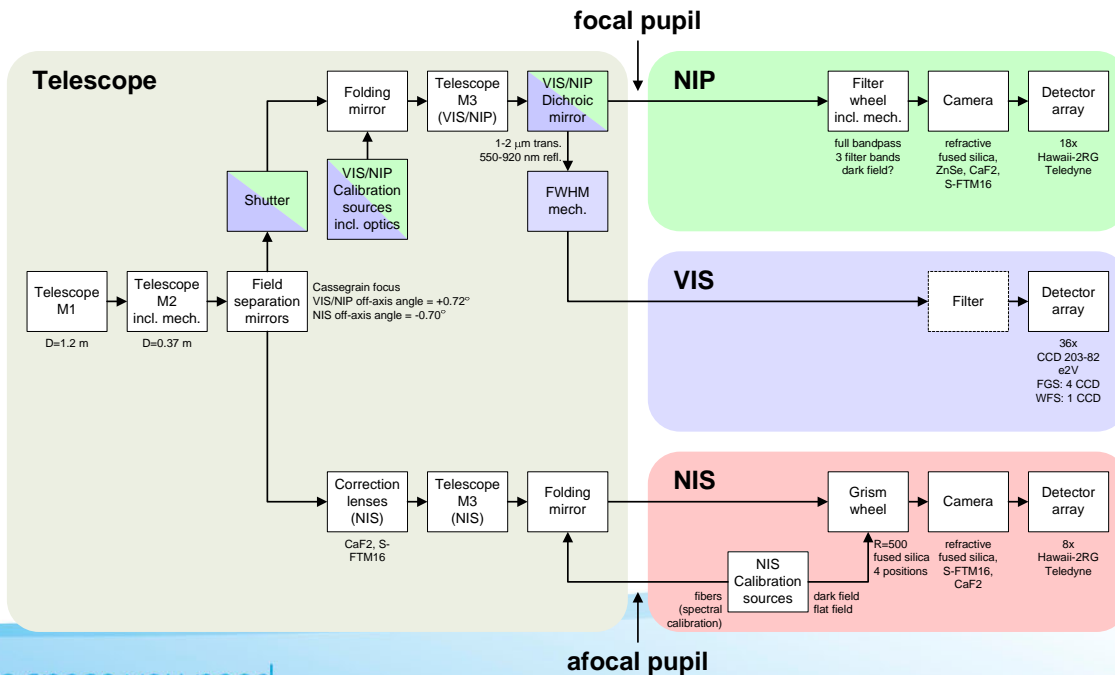
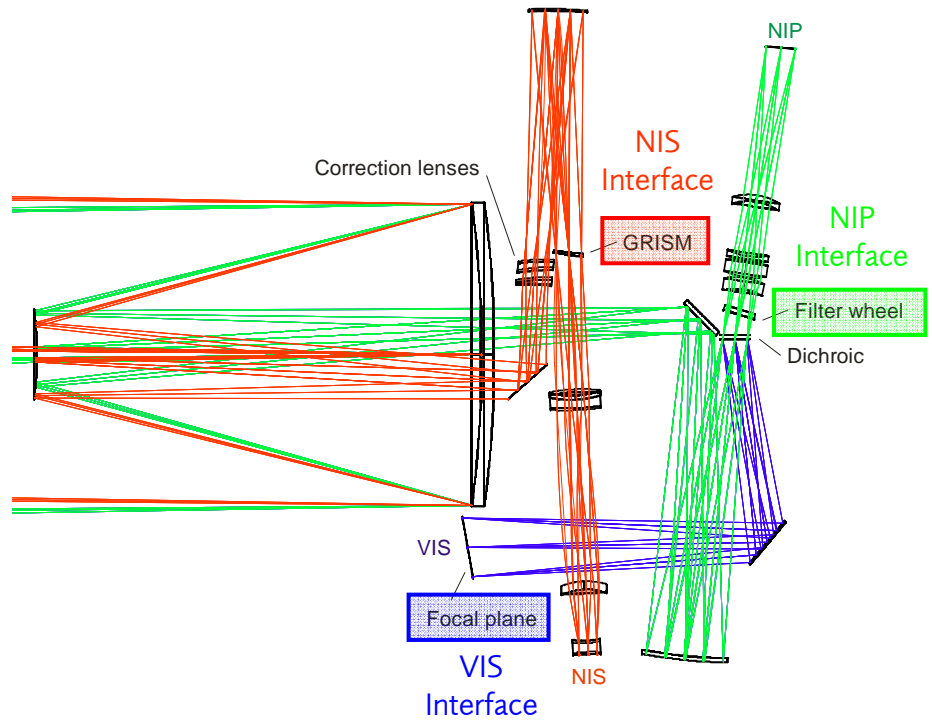


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# Instrument Interfaces

## Interfaces

- Driven by procurement approach and AIT requirements
- VIS interface: focal plane
- NIP interface: filter wheel
- NIS interface: GRISM



**NIP**

- wavelength bands:
  - Y: 920 – 1146 nm
  - J: 1146 – 1372 nm
  - H<sub>2</sub>: 1372 – 2000 nm
- FoV = 0.59°x1.08° = 0.64 deg<sup>2</sup>
- plate scale = 0.3"/pix
- F<sub>s</sub> = 10.3
- f = 12.376 m
- number of pixels = 2048x2048
- pixel size = 18 μm

**VIS**

- wavelength band:
  - R+I+Z: 550 – 920 nm
- FoV = 0.52°x1.07° = 0.56 deg<sup>2</sup>
- plate scale = 0.1"/pix
- F<sub>s</sub> = 20.6
- f = 24.752 m
- number of pixels = 4096x4096
- pixel size = 12 μm

**NIS**

- wavelength band:
  - 1000 – 2000 nm
- FoV = 0.59°x1.07° = 0.63 deg<sup>2</sup>
- plate scale = 0.45"/pix
- F<sub>s</sub> = 6.9
- f = 8.251 m
- number of pixels = 2048x2048
- pixel size = 18 μm



# Payload Design –Principles

## Interfaces

- Independent instruments: fully qualified before integration
- Clear optical interfaces: validated during telescope alignment, telescope simulator for each instrument
- Simple electrical interfaces: interface module for each instrument

## Configuration

- Minimum payload volume: minimizes mass, high stiffness and stability
- Payload radiators: view to cold space, minimum view factor between each other

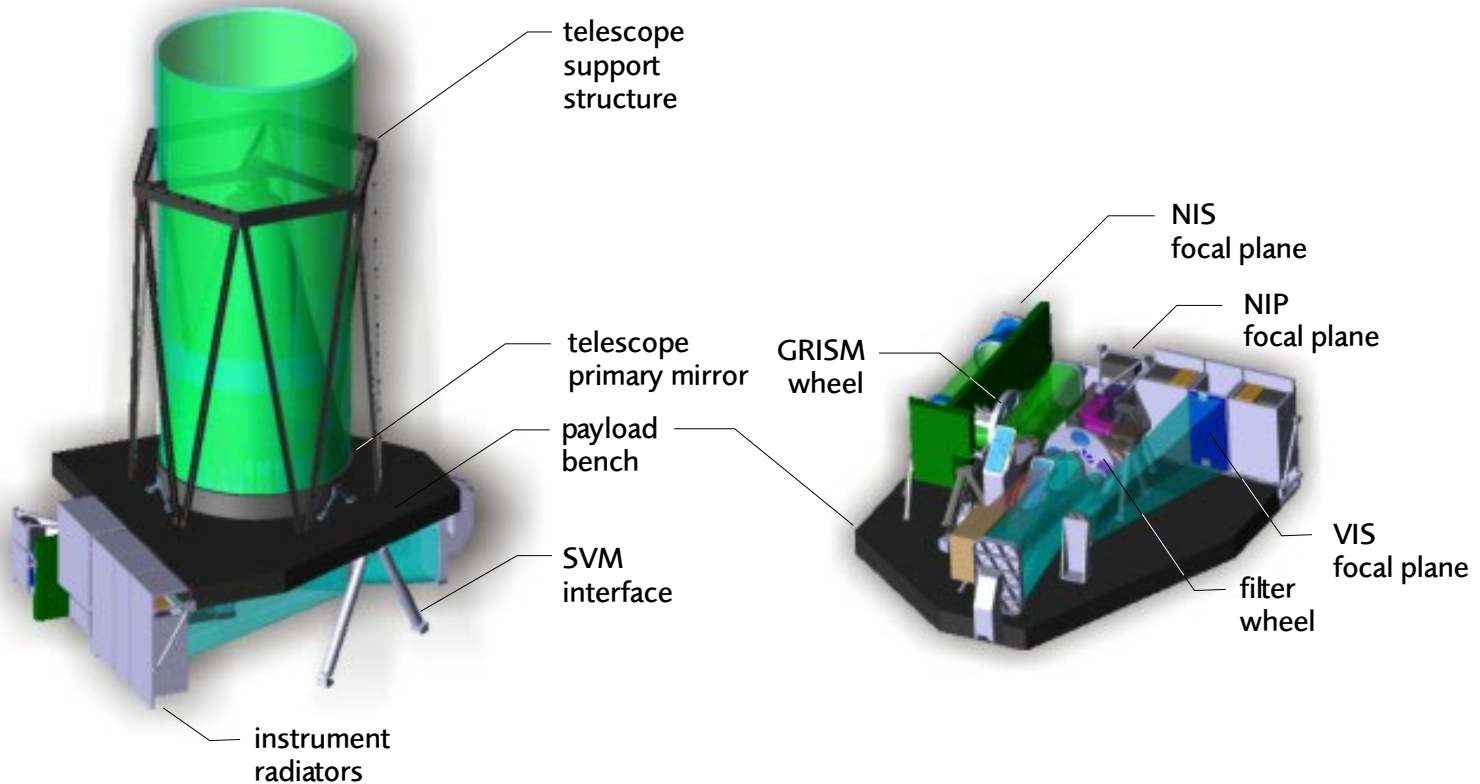
## Material

- Homothetic design analog to GAIA payload:  
Silicon Carbide (SiC) in particular for telescope and payload structure
- Optimum in terms of mass, stiffness, thermal stability
- Compatible with other materials for instruments (especially for NIR instruments)

## Thermal

- Low payload temperature (150K) allows higher thermal stability
- Passive cooling

# Payload Module – Overall Design



- overall mass: 783 kg (incl. 20% margin)
- overall dimensions: 2640 mm × 2420 mm width, 3300 mm height
- each instrument on separate bench (3 bipods as interface)

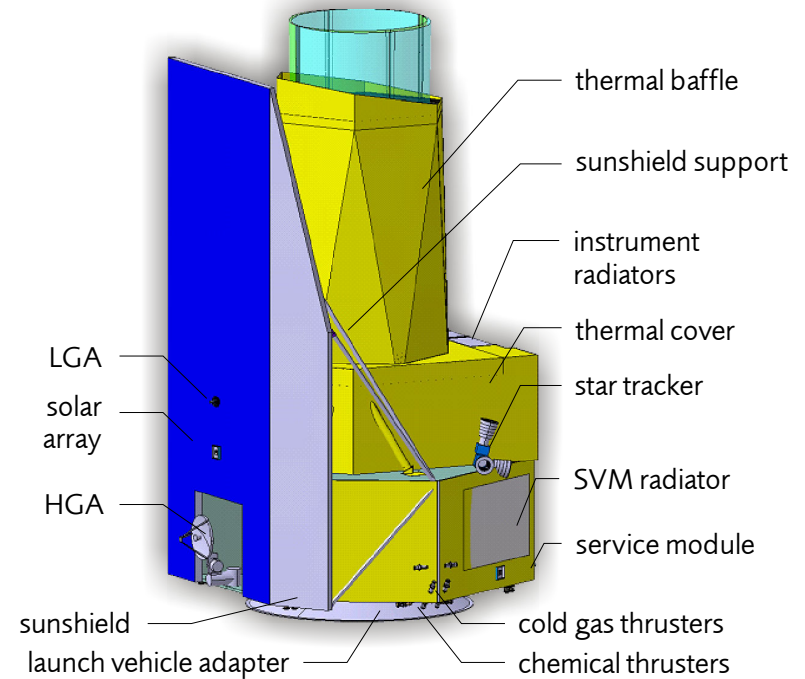
# Spacecraft Design

## Configuration

- Payload atop service module (SVM)
- Sunshield directly interfaces the SVM
- Thermal cover for payload

## Sunshield

- Canted design for high stiffness and optimum shading
- 8.9 m<sup>2</sup> solar arrays, mounted onto the sunshield
- Size of 4670 mm in height and 2990 mm in width



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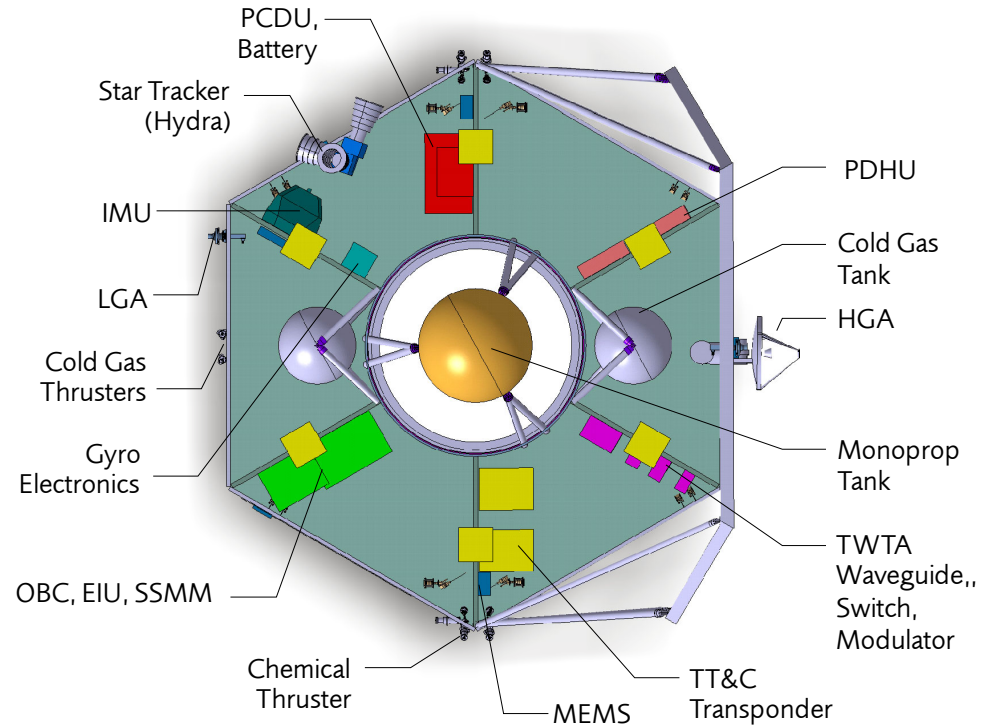
# Service Module Design

## Configuration

- Size driven by tank accommodation
- Units mounted on shear walls
- Size of 3100 mm in diameter and 1100 mm in height

## SVM structure

- Hexagonal shape, Al honeycomb with CFRP facets
- Central cone (1194mm) interfaces the launch adapter



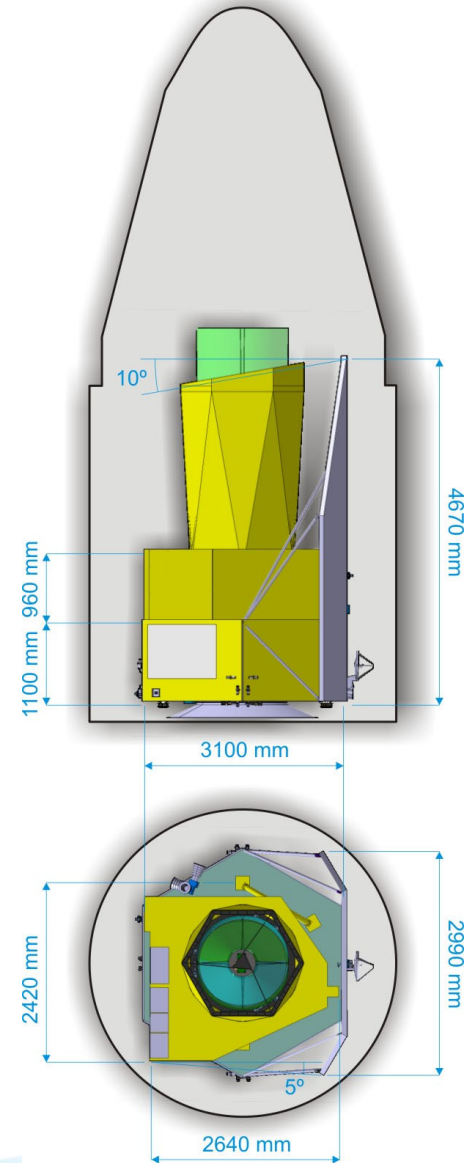
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# Spacecraft Design

| (subsystem margin included)       | Mass incl. margin [kg] |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Service Module                    | 676                    |
| Telescope, bench, common elements | 510                    |
| VIS Instrument                    | 75                     |
| NIP Instrument                    | 81                     |
| NIS Instrument                    | 117                    |
| Payload Module                    | 783                    |
| Nominal dry mass                  | 1458                   |
| Nominal dry mass incl. 20% margin | 1750                   |
| CPS propellant                    | 65                     |
| MPS propellant                    | 62                     |
| Launch vehicle adapter            | 110                    |
| Launch mass                       | 1987                   |
| Launch vehicle capacity           | 2160                   |

Launch margin

+8%





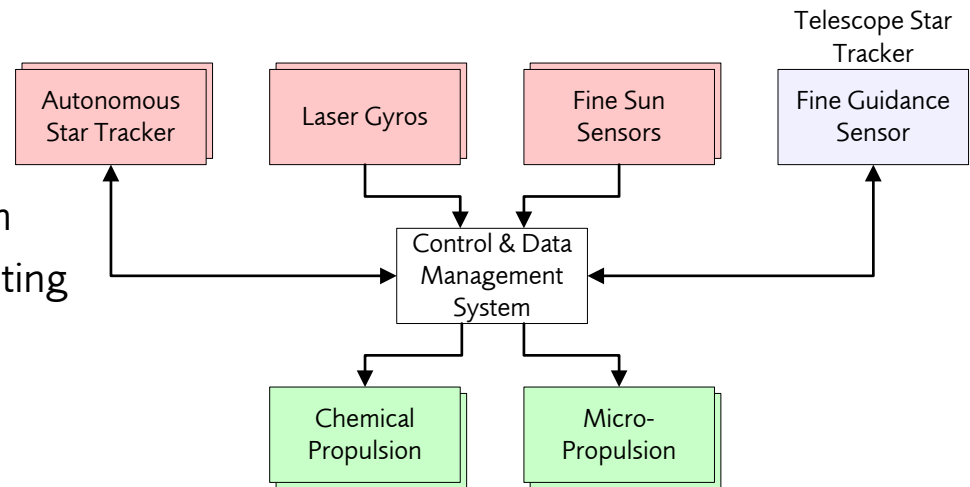
# System Performance – AOCS

## Requirements

- RPE < 25 mas RMS over 375 s
- APE < 10 as RMS for field steps
- APE < 25 mas RMS for dither steps

## AOCS configuration

- Star tracker: FGS lock
- IMU (laser gyro): attitude propagation
- Fine guidance sensor (FGS): fine pointing
  - telescope star tracker
  - located within VIS instrument
  - half frame transfer CCDs
- Fine sun sensor: safe mode
- Chemical propulsion: orbit maintenance and attitude control
- Cold gas micro-propulsion: field steps and dither steps
  - 0.5 mN thrusters developed for GAIA
  - Higher thrust  $\delta$ -development feasible



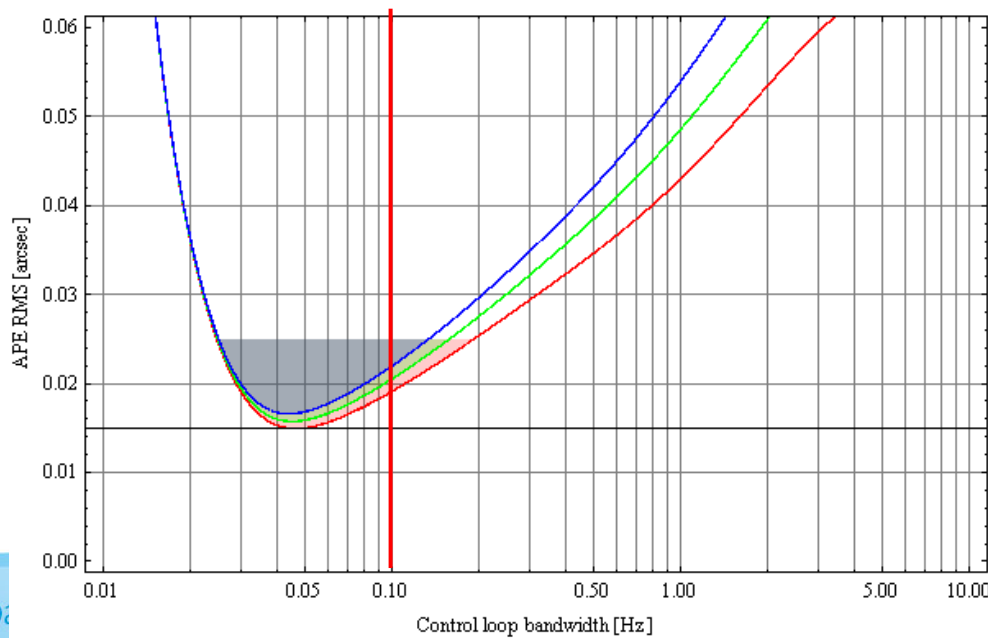
# System Performance – AOCS

## Fine Guidance Sensor integrated into VIS focal plane

- Bandwidth: 0.5 Hz – 1 Hz
- Performance: sensor noise not performance-limiting

## Control loop design for science mode AOCS

- Bandwidth: ~0.1 Hz ... set by low thrust of cold gas system
- Relies on sensor fusion of FGS and IMU
- IMU (Astrix-200, 10 Hz bandwidth) propagates attitude to achieve higher attitude rate
- Pointing requirement (APE < 25 mas) can be safely fulfilled



FGS at 0.5 Hz  
noise:  
50 mas RMS  
70 mas RMS  
60 mas RMS

# System Performance – Radiometry

## Integration times per frame

- VIS: 568 s
- NIP: 466 s  
(2 intermediate read-outs)
- NIS: 531 s

## Dither manoeuvre

- 43 s slew time
- 14 s settling time

## Step manoeuvre

- 217 s slew time
- 10 s settling time

## Total

- Frame: 641 s
- Field: 2734 s
- Duty cycle per field: 83%

| Instr. | SNR Requ. | Band                | FWHM [arcsec] | Integration time per frame [s] |     |
|--------|-----------|---------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-----|
| VIS    | 10        | R+I+Z<br>550–920 nm | 0.40          | 568                            | 568 |
| NIP    | 5         | Y<br>920–1146 nm    | 0.29          | 160                            | 466 |
|        |           | J<br>1146–1372 nm   | 0.30          | 209                            |     |
|        |           | Hp<br>1372–2000 nm  | 0.30          | 97                             |     |
| VIS    | 5         | 1000 nm             | 0.99          | 531                            | 531 |
|        |           | 2000 nm             | 1.00          | 446                            |     |

Integration times longer than estimated by ESA due to different assumptions for instrument transmission

# System Performance – Mission Duty Cycle

|                       |                                |                           |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
|                       | Scientific mission time        | 4.5 yr                    |
|                       | FoV                            | 0,492812 deg <sup>2</sup> |
|                       | Integration time per frame     | 568 s                     |
| Manoeuvres/Operations | Shutter closing and opening    | 0 s                       |
|                       | Detector readout               | 0 s                       |
|                       | SC dither slew                 | 43 s                      |
|                       | SC dither settling             | 14 s                      |
|                       | SC step slew                   | 217 s                     |
|                       | SC step settling               | 10 s                      |
|                       | Antenna repointing             | 0 s                       |
|                       | Orbit maintenance              | 43200 s                   |
|                       | Equinox mode slew manoeuvre    | 168 s                     |
|                       | SC north-south flip manoeuvre  | 236 s                     |
|                       | Deep survey slew manoeuvre     | 168 s                     |
|                       | Thermal stabilisation          | 432000 s                  |
| Calibration           | Dark field exposure            | 600 s                     |
|                       | Flat field exposure            | 600 s                     |
|                       | Known field exposure           | 600 s                     |
|                       | Total number of fields         | 46505 s                   |
|                       | Total observation time         | 105659873 s               |
|                       | Total non-observation time     | 31572041 s                |
|                       | <b>Duty cycle over mission</b> | <b>77,0 %</b>             |

0.478×1.031 deg<sup>2</sup>

during SC manoeuvre

during SC manoeuvre

70 arcsec dither step

0.5 Hz FGS readout

0.5 deg step

0.5 Hz FGS readout

during SC manoeuvre

12 h per month, CDF

90° bang-bang, 10 N

180° bang-bang, 10 N

90° bang-bang, 10 N

120 h for 45° slew worst case

daily

daily

monthly

including overlaps

wide survey

Sum of above contributions



# System Performance – Ellipticity

## Requirement

- Ellipticity variation over FoV  $\leq 20\%$

## Analysis

- Statistical analysis (Monte-Carlo)
- Margin, e.g. for CCD trapping effects

| Ellipticity Contributor           | Ellipticity [%] |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Optical distortion                | 2.0             |
| Wavefront error (60 nm RMS)       | 7.6             |
| Inhomogeneous detector MTF        | 5.0             |
| Line of sight stability           | 0.0             |
| Effect of FWHM increase mechanism | 5.0             |
| Total (RSS)                       | 10.6            |

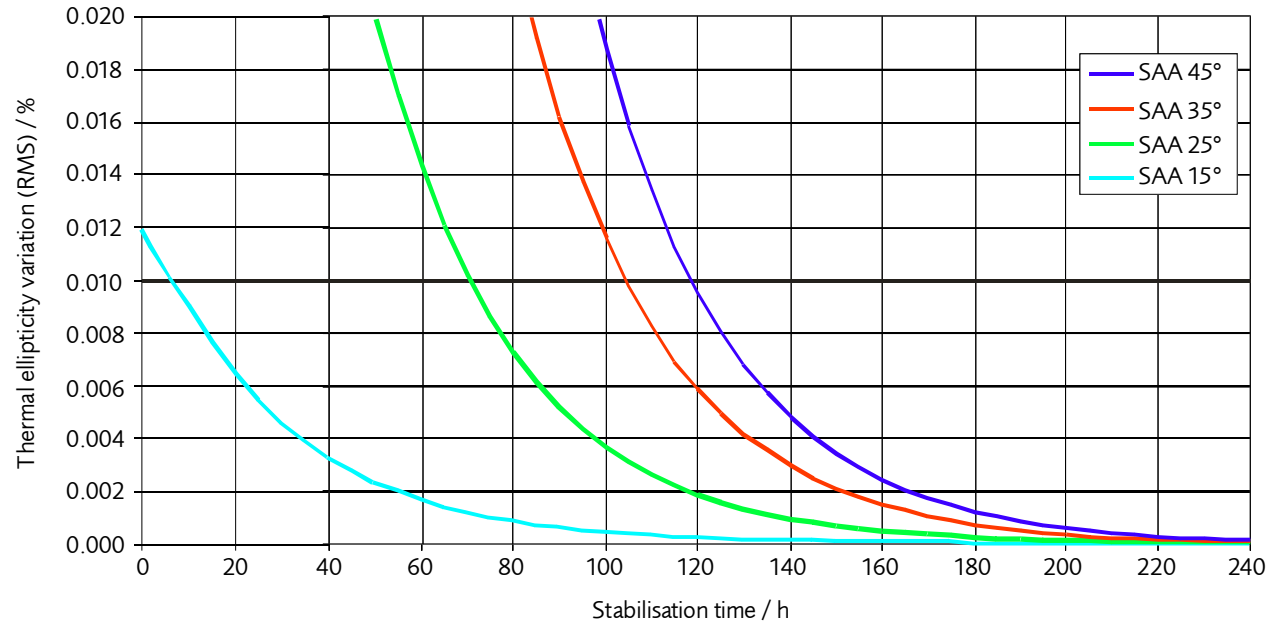
# System Performance – Ellipticity Stability

## Requirement

- Ellipticity stability over 3 days  $\leq 0.02\%$

## Thermal analysis

- Thermal model of spacecraft
- M1-M2 stability drives the ellipticity stability
- Thermal stability of  $\sim 30$  mK required
- Most critical are changes in the thermal environment  
 → sudden change of SAA in Equinox mode



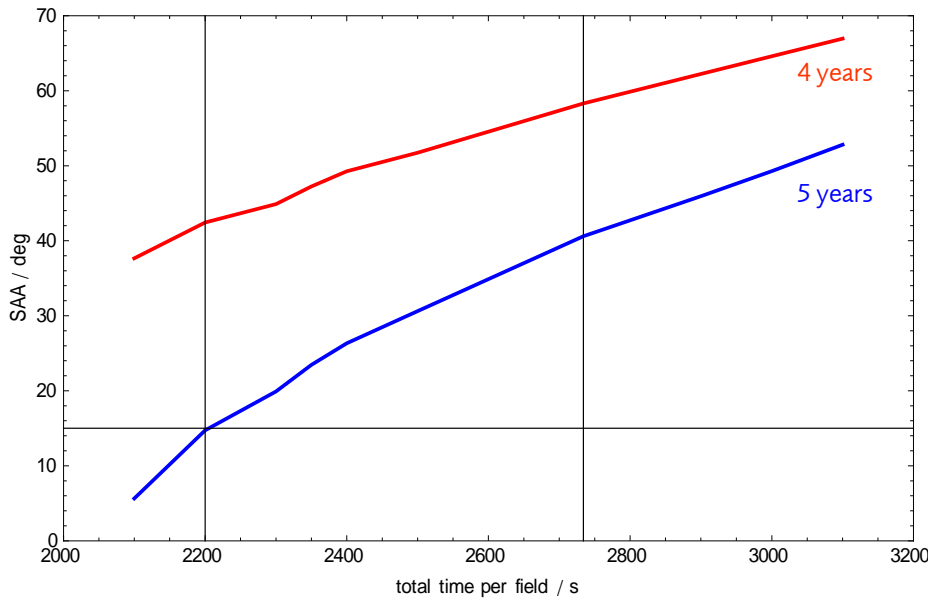
- Worst case: SAA=45°  $\Rightarrow$   $\sim 120$  h settling time
- Optimum case: SAA<15°  $\Rightarrow$  negligible settling time

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# System Performance – Observation Strategy

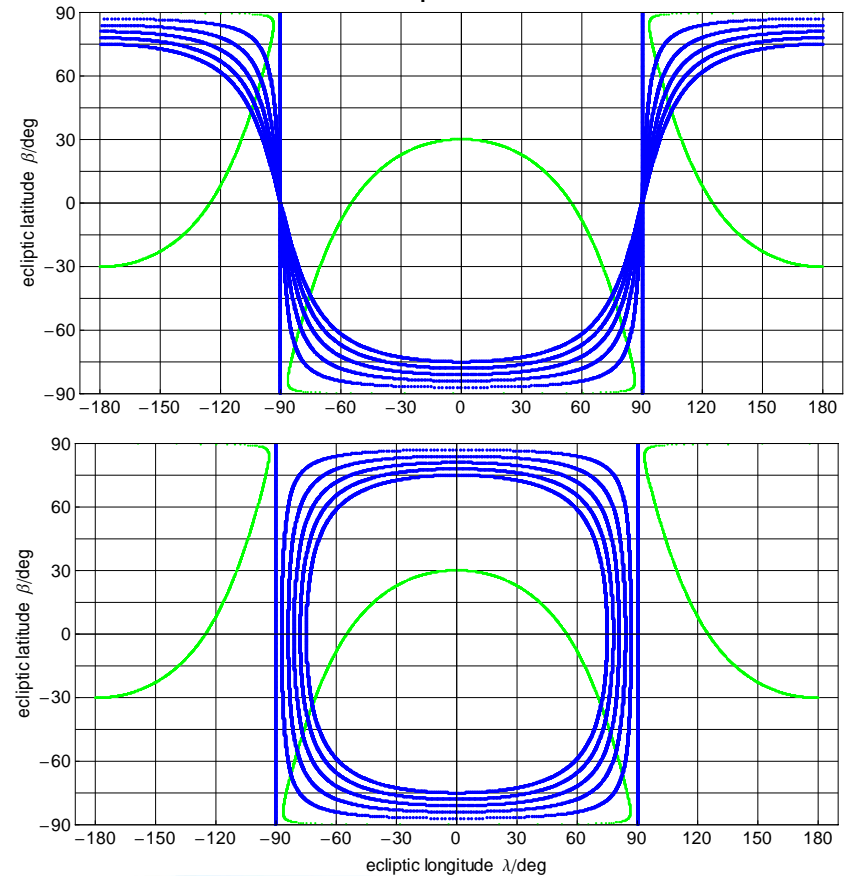
## Avoid influence of thermal transients

- Negligible settling times for SAA <math>< 15^\circ</math>  
 $\Rightarrow$  total time per field <math>< 2200\text{ sec}</math>



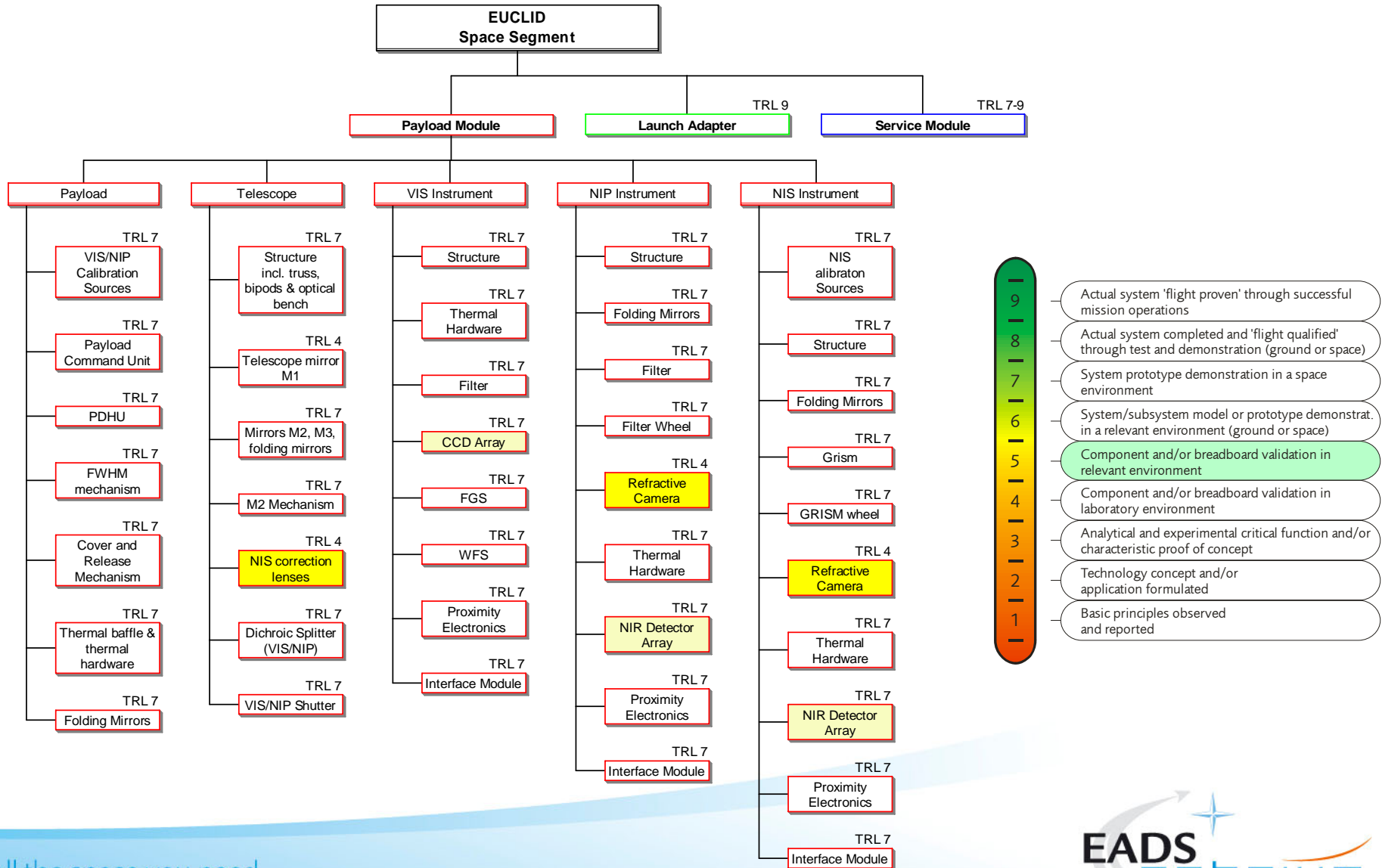
- Increasing mission time to 5 years
- Increase FoV or modify SNR requirement

## Instantaneously accessible sky area at Equinoxes



SAA = 0° ... 15°

# Programmatics – Technology Readiness



- 9 - Actual system 'flight proven' through successful mission operations
- 8 - Actual system completed and 'flight qualified' through test and demonstration (ground or space)
- 7 - System prototype demonstration in a space environment
- 6 - System/subsystem model or prototype demonstrat. in a relevant environment (ground or space)
- 5 - Component and/or breadboard validation in relevant environment
- 4 - Component and/or breadboard validation in laboratory environment
- 3 - Analytical and experimental critical function and/or characteristic proof of concept
- 2 - Technology concept and/or application formulated
- 1 - Basic principles observed and reported

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# Programmatics – Major Risks & Critical Issues

## Assembly, integration and testing (AIT)

- Clear interfaces required between instruments and payload module
- Final performance can only be verified at payload/spacecraft level (ellipticity)
- Instruments have to be fully qualified before integration into payload module

## Radiation persistent CCDs

- Radiation effects cause charge traps → noise on PSF shape (FWHM, ellipticity)

## Cryogenic dioptric (lens) systems

- Optical performance verification required in ambient and cryogenic conditions
- Lens mounts compatible with the environment

## Cryogenic mechanisms

- Filter wheel, grism wheel, FWHM mechanism, M2 mechanism, shutter
- ~190.000 operations over mission lifetime for wheels
- Positioning accuracy, repeatability

## IR detector availability

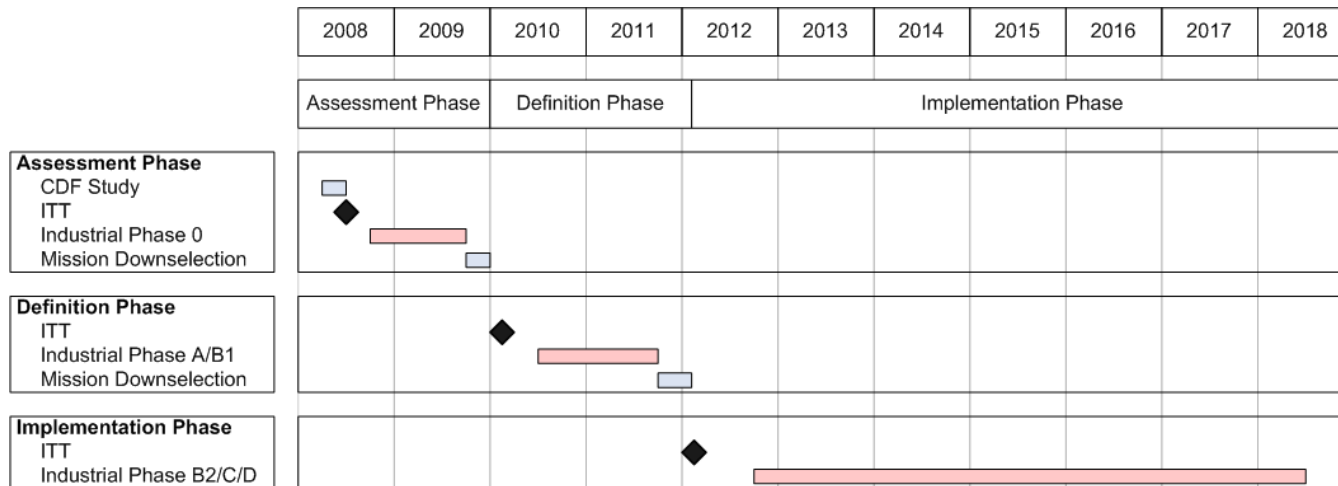
- Hawaii 2RG and Sidecar (Teledyne)
- ITAR restricted, no European alternative today

# Programmatics – Schedule

- Schedule with launch in 2018 is demanding: spacecraft delivery not before end of 2017

## Long-lead items

- Telescope
  - Mirror polishing is driving the schedule
  - Development schedule critical but compatible with M-class schedule
- Focal plane and proximity electronics
  - Detectors, proximity electronics, interface module
  - Instrument activities to be started as early as possible



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# Summary & Conclusions

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- Mission has been basically defined
- Major system concepts have been established
- Potential risks have been identified

## Conclusion: EUCLID is feasible

- Preliminary concepts for mission, spacecraft, payload and instruments derived
- Key mission requirements can be fulfilled
- Risks are manageable
- No show stoppers have been identified

## Conclusion: EUCLID is compatible with the Cosmic Vision M-class constraints

- Technology Readiness
- Planning
- Costing

## Conclusion: reconsideration of some requirements reasonable to simplify mission

- Mission lifetime versus SNR definitions & FoV
- APE definition as AOCS driver

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