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Whispers Among the Stars

Perpetrating (and Preventing) Satellite Eavesdropping Attacks

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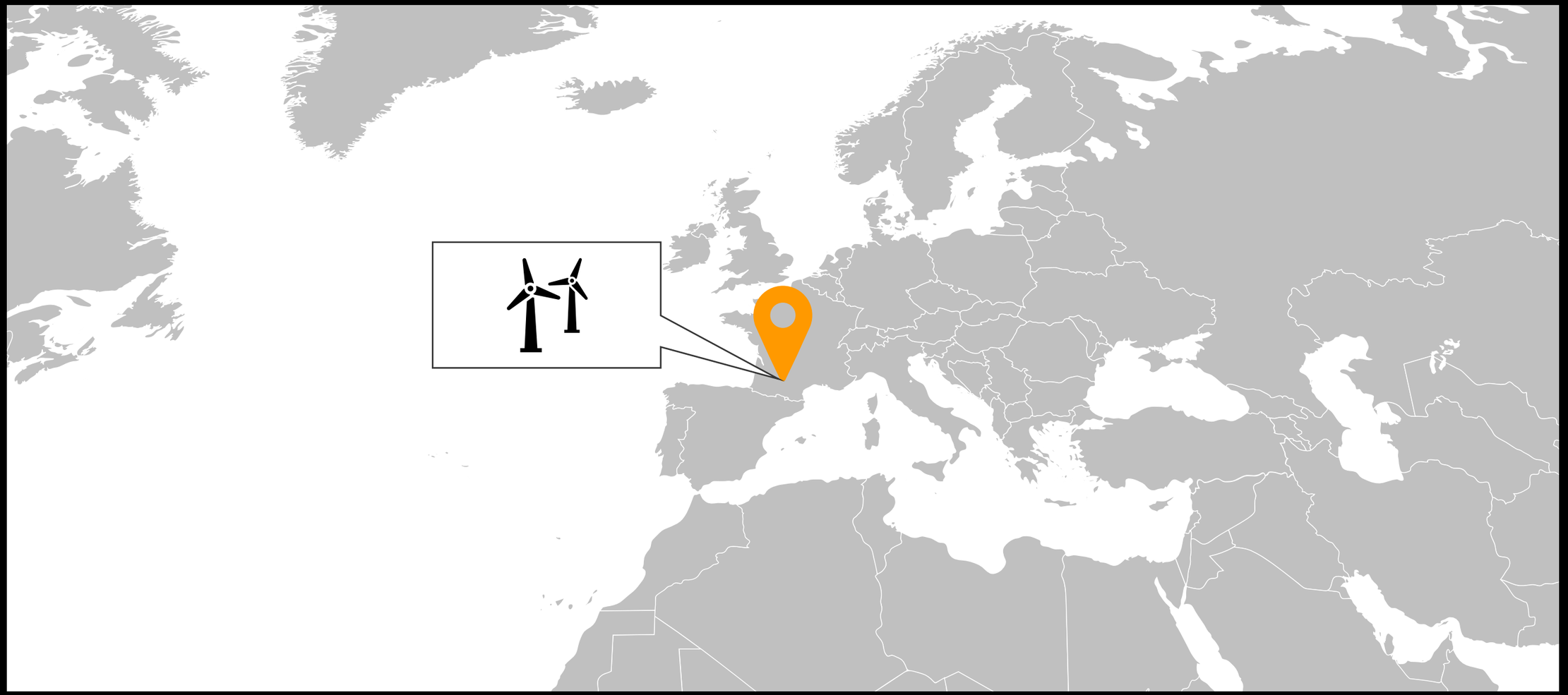

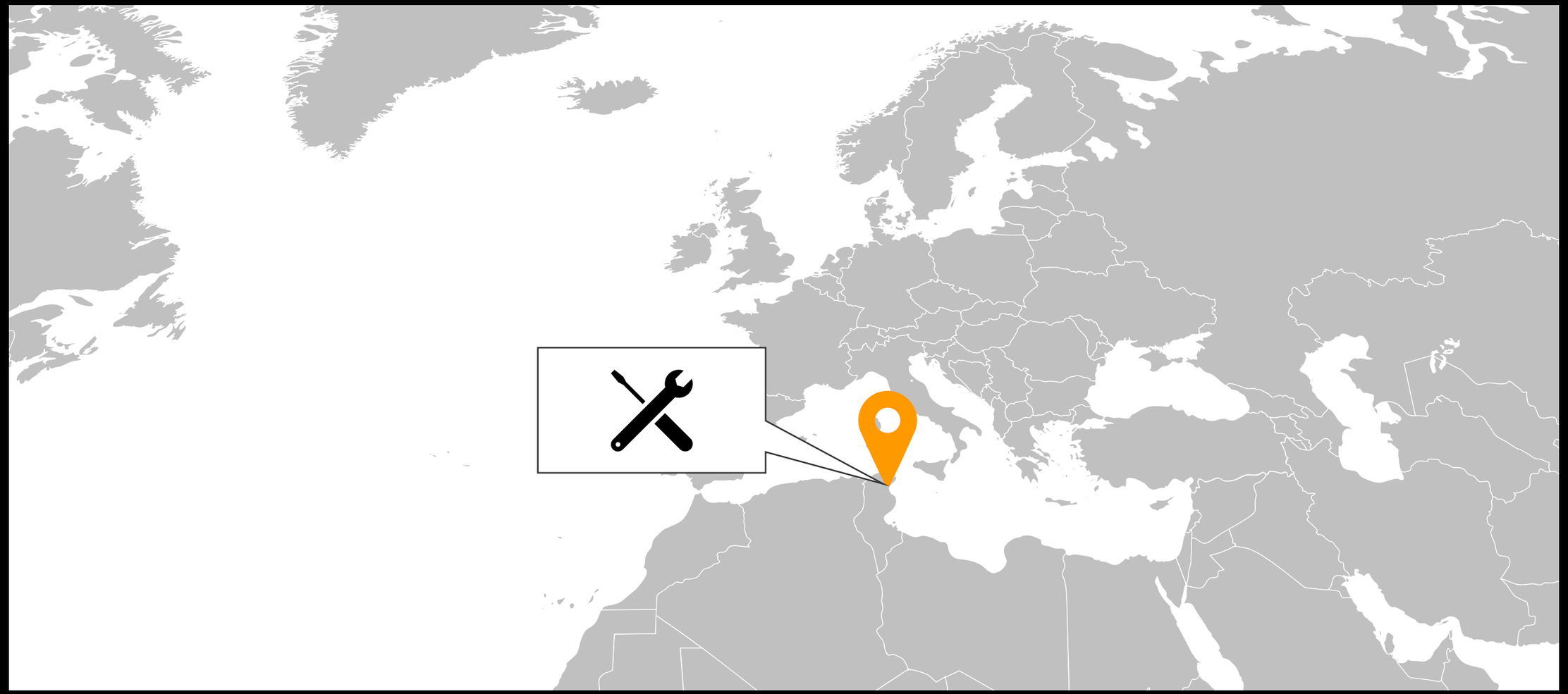

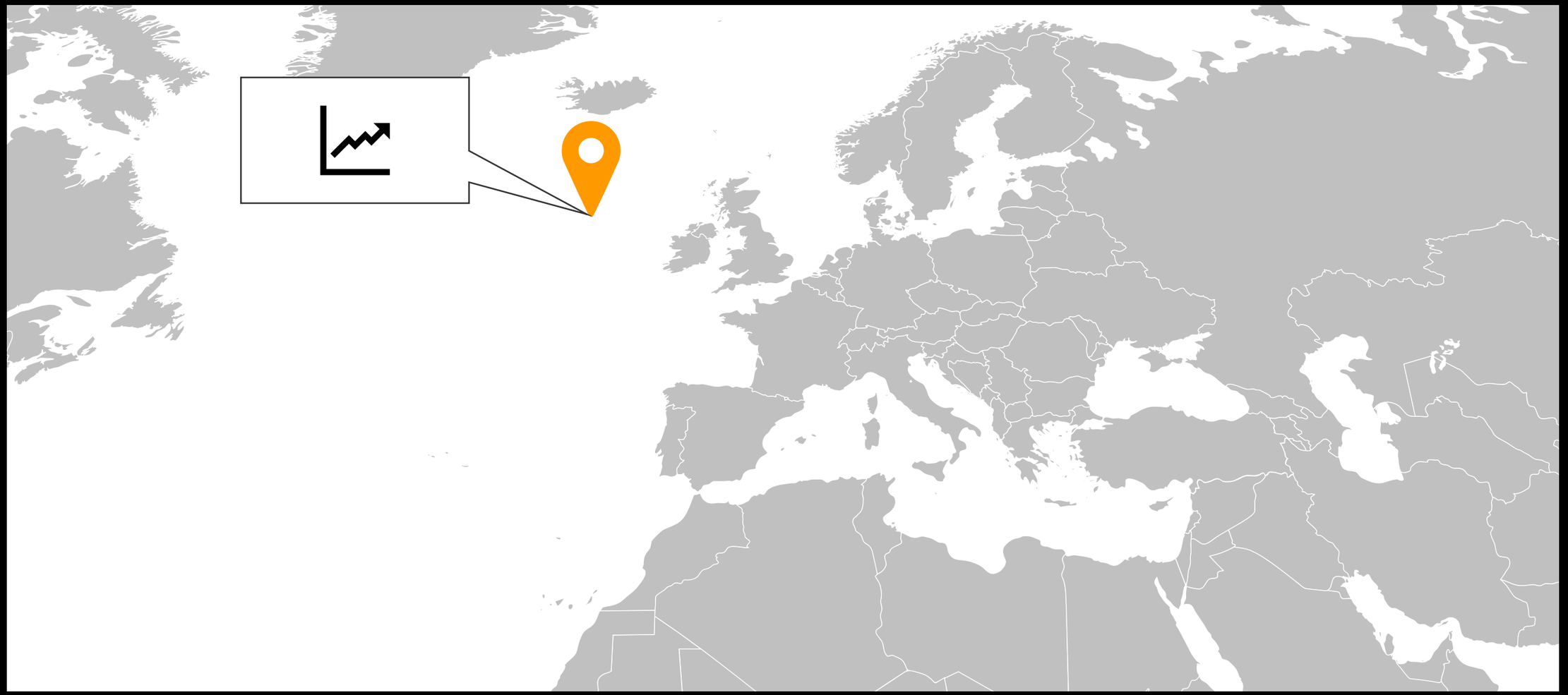

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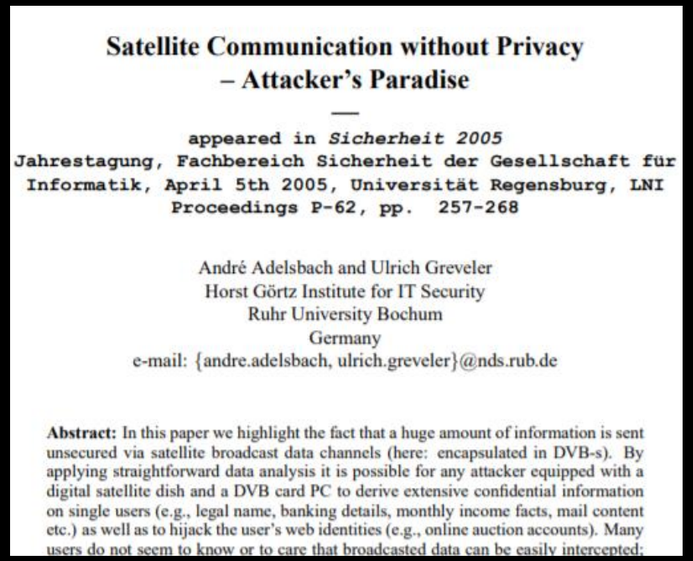
Lessons from the Past



Satellite Communication without Privacy – Attacker's Paradise

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Abstract: In this paper we highlight the fact that a huge amount of information is sent unsecured via satellite broadcast data channels (here: encapsulated in DVB-s). By applying straightforward data analysis it is possible for any attacker equipped with a digital satellite dish and a DVB card PC to derive extensive confidential information on single users (e.g., legal name, banking details, monthly income facts, mail content etc.) as well as to hijack the user's web identities (e.g., online auction accounts). Many users do not seem to know or to care that broadcasted data can be easily intercepted;

Ruhr-University Bochum, 2005

$atellite Hacking for Fun & Pr0fit!

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Black Hat DC, 2009

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Playing in a Satellite environment 1.2

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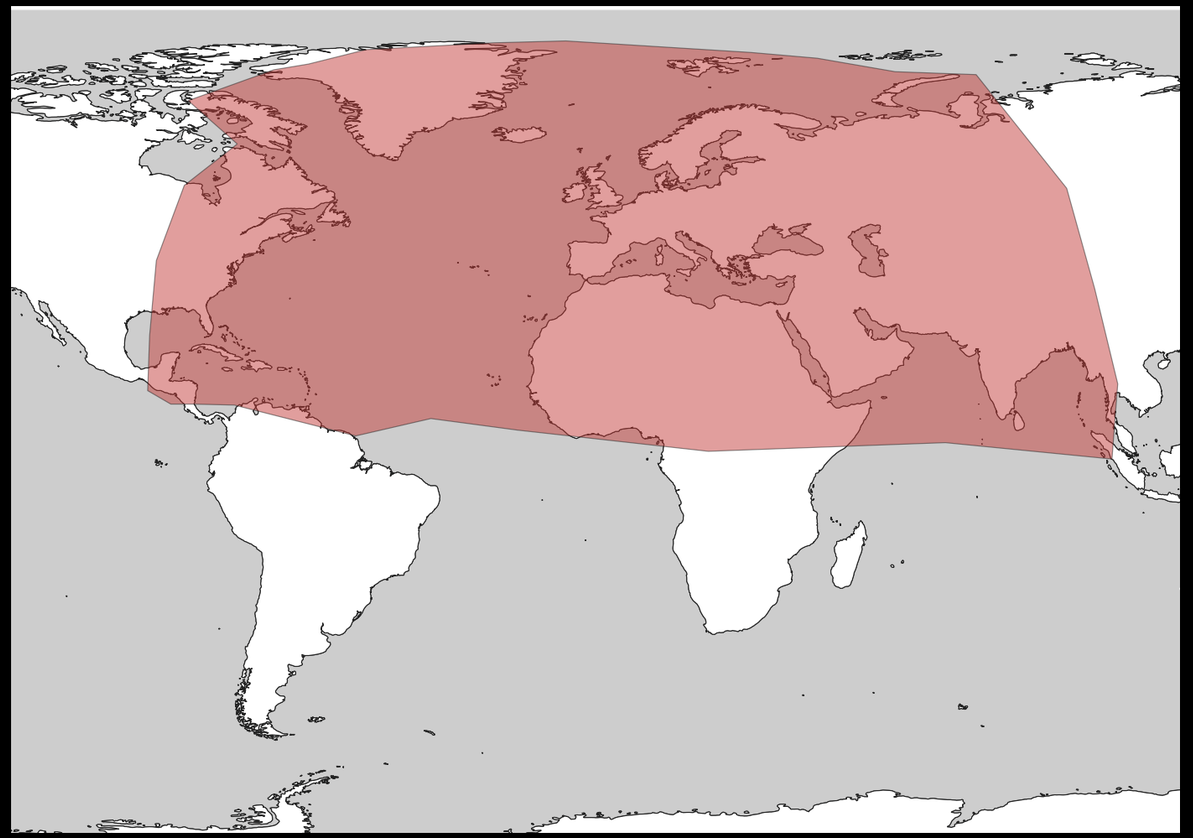
3 Domain-Focused Experiments

18 GEO Satellites

Coverage Area ~100 million km^2



Whose Data?

9 FORTUNE GLOBAL 500 MEMBERS

6 OF 10 LARGEST AIRLINES

~40% MARITIME CARGO MARKET

GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

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3-Minute SATCOM Crash Course

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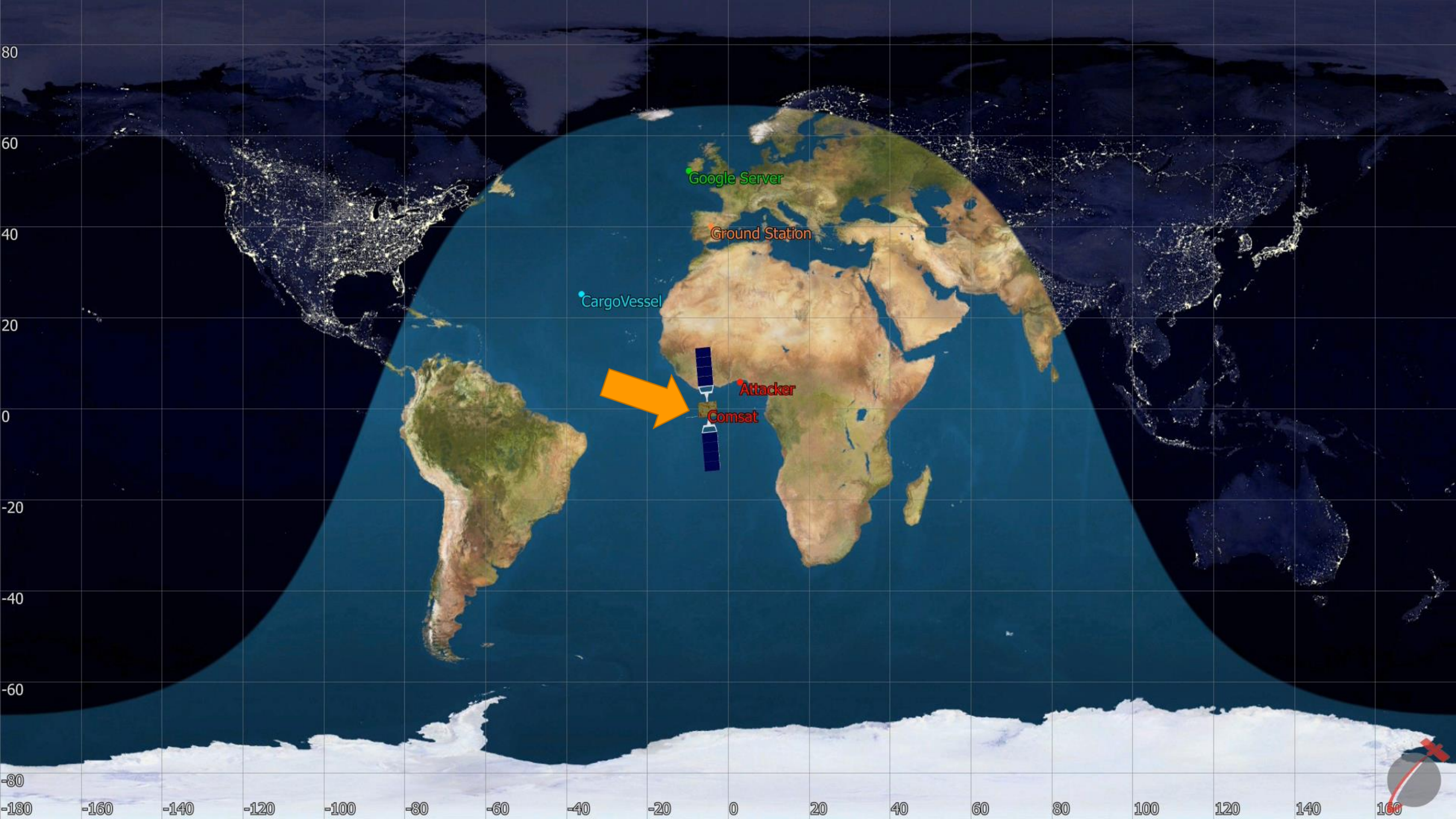
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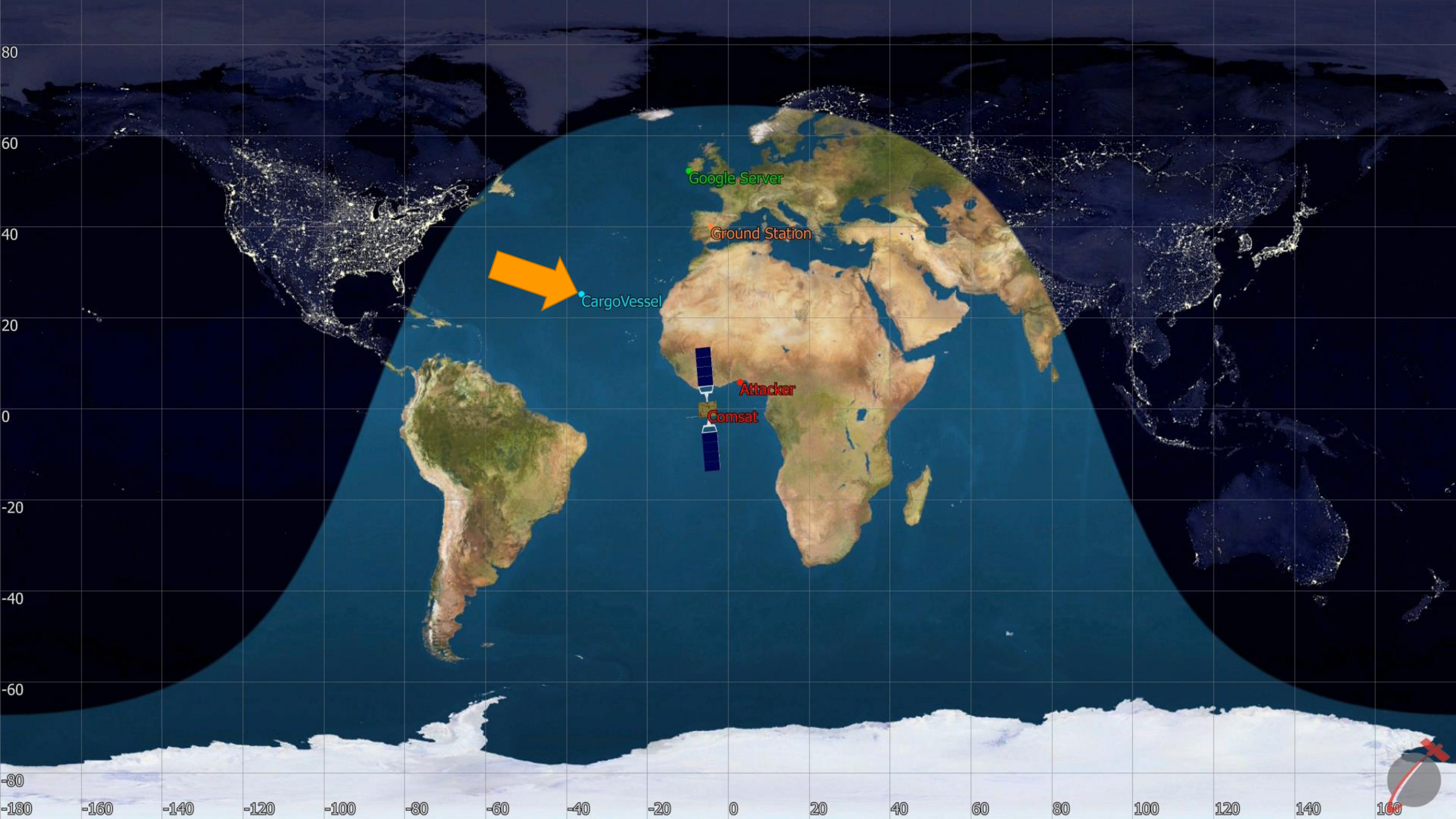
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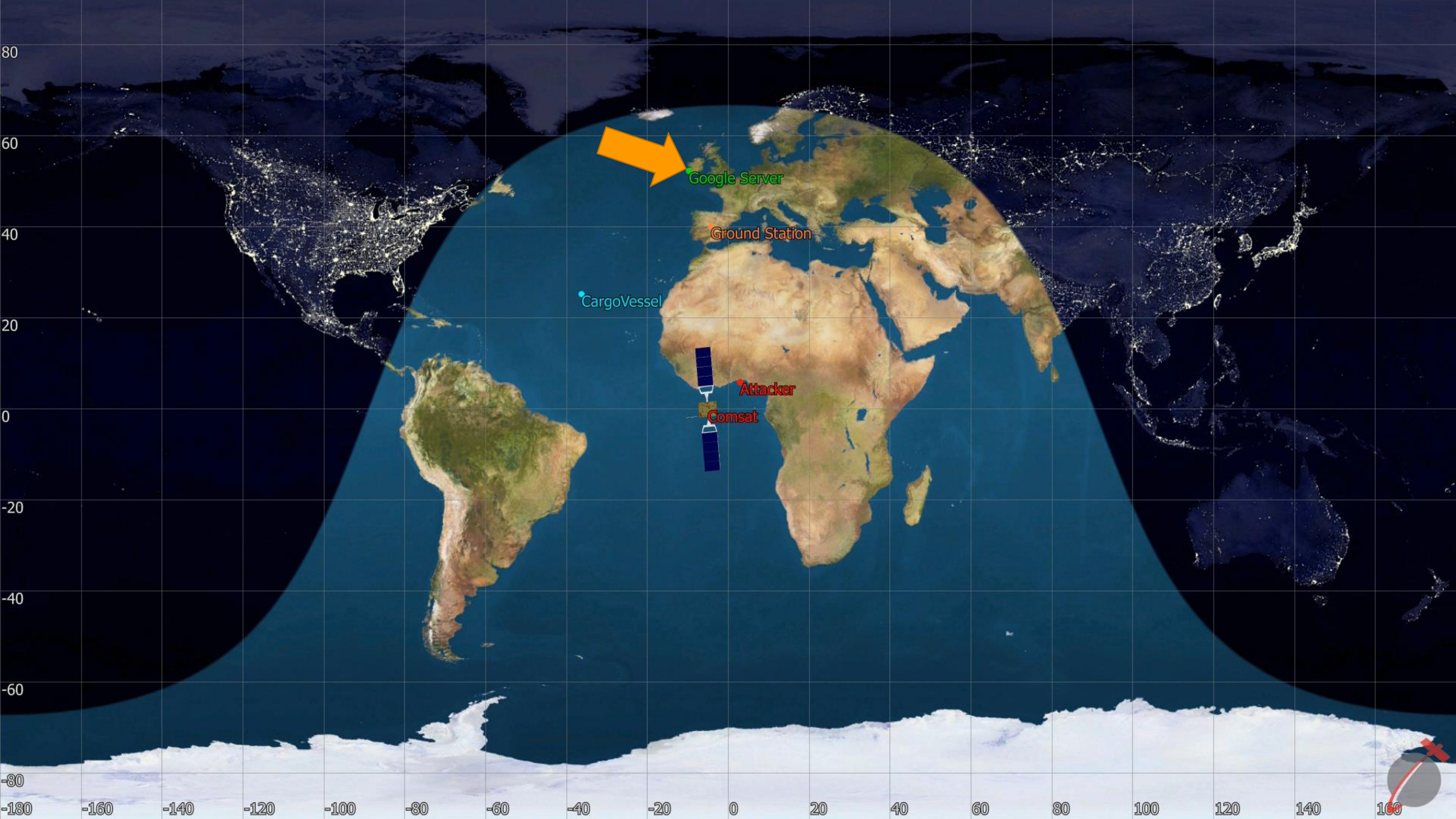
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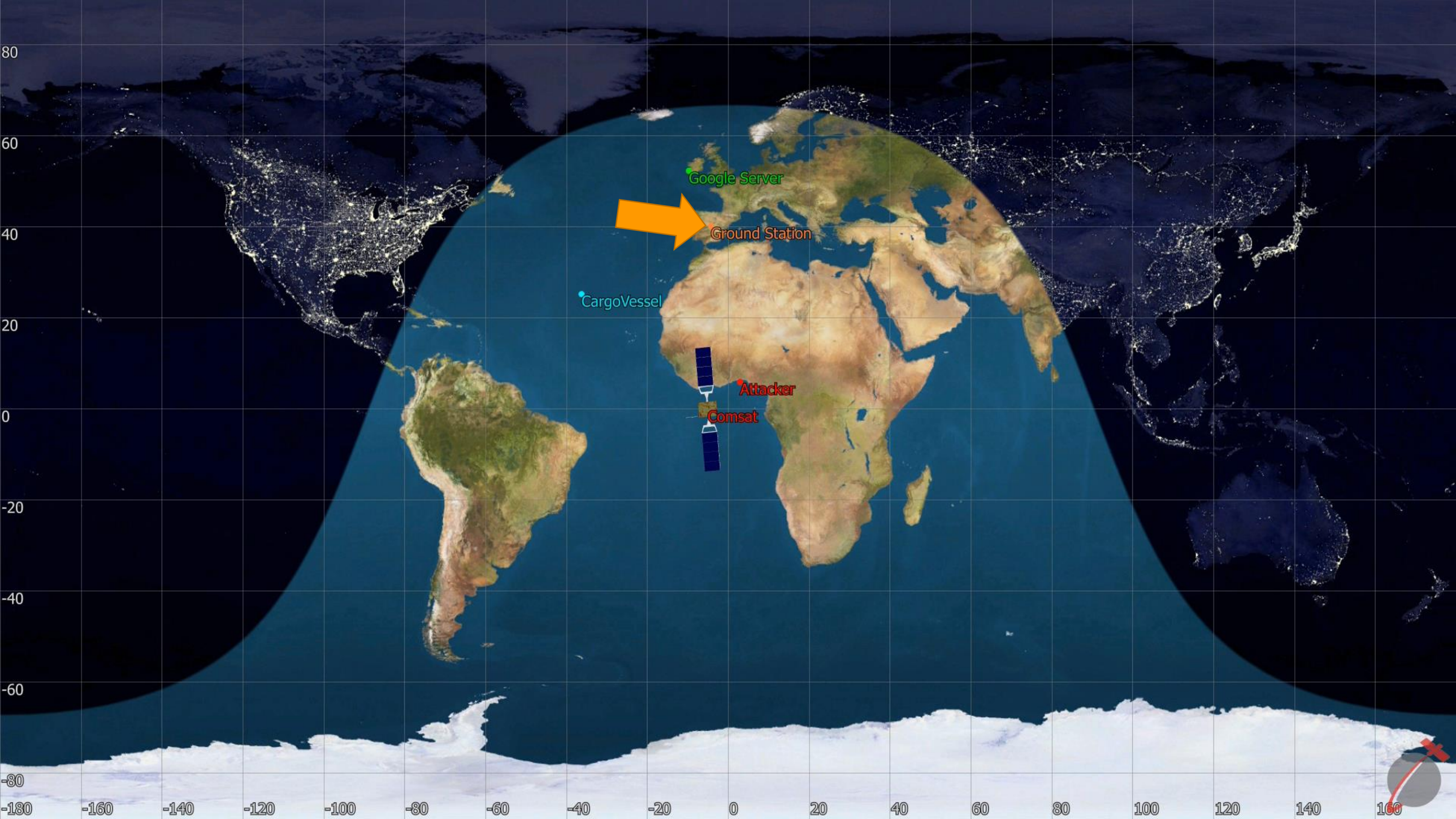
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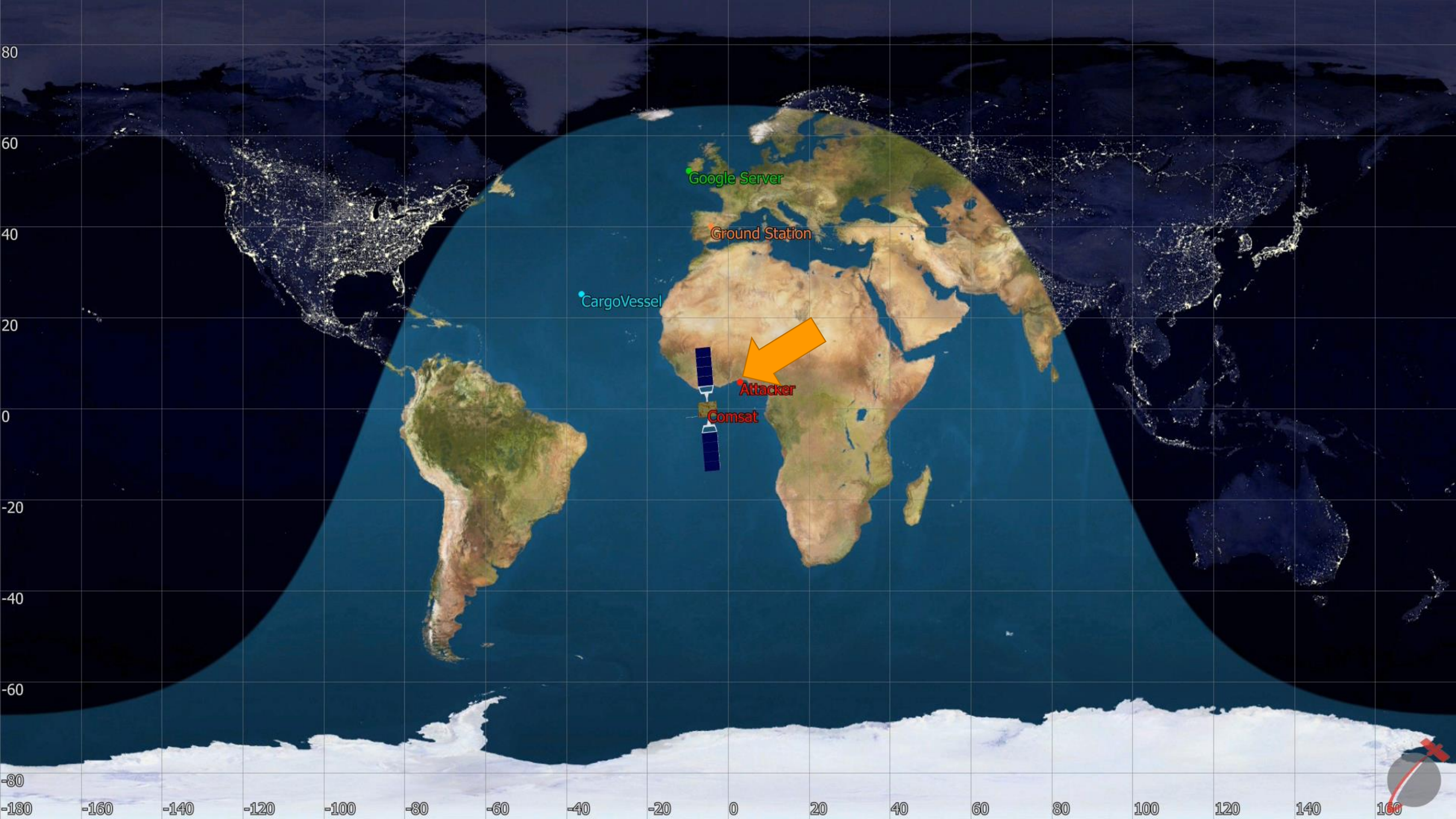
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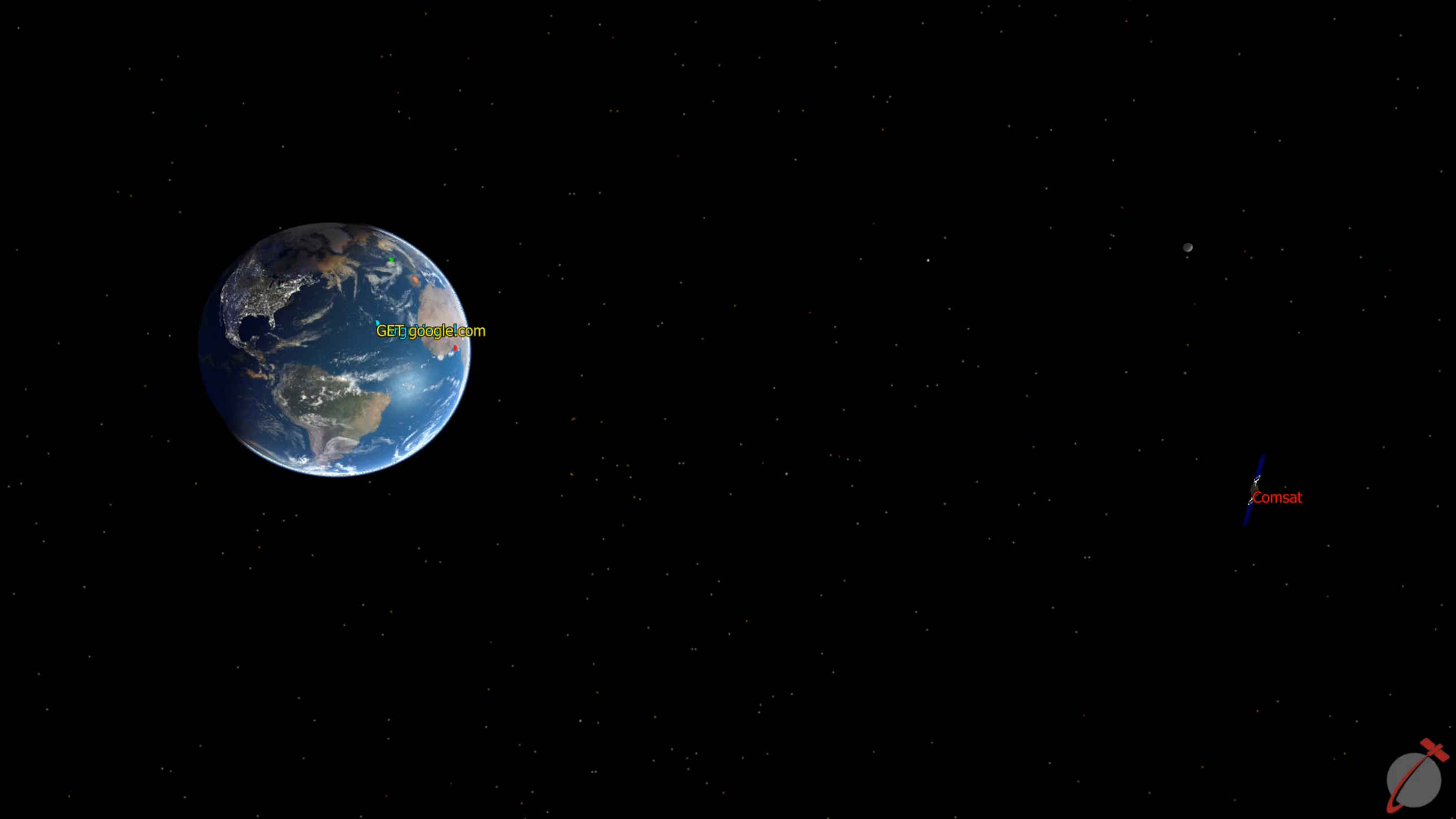
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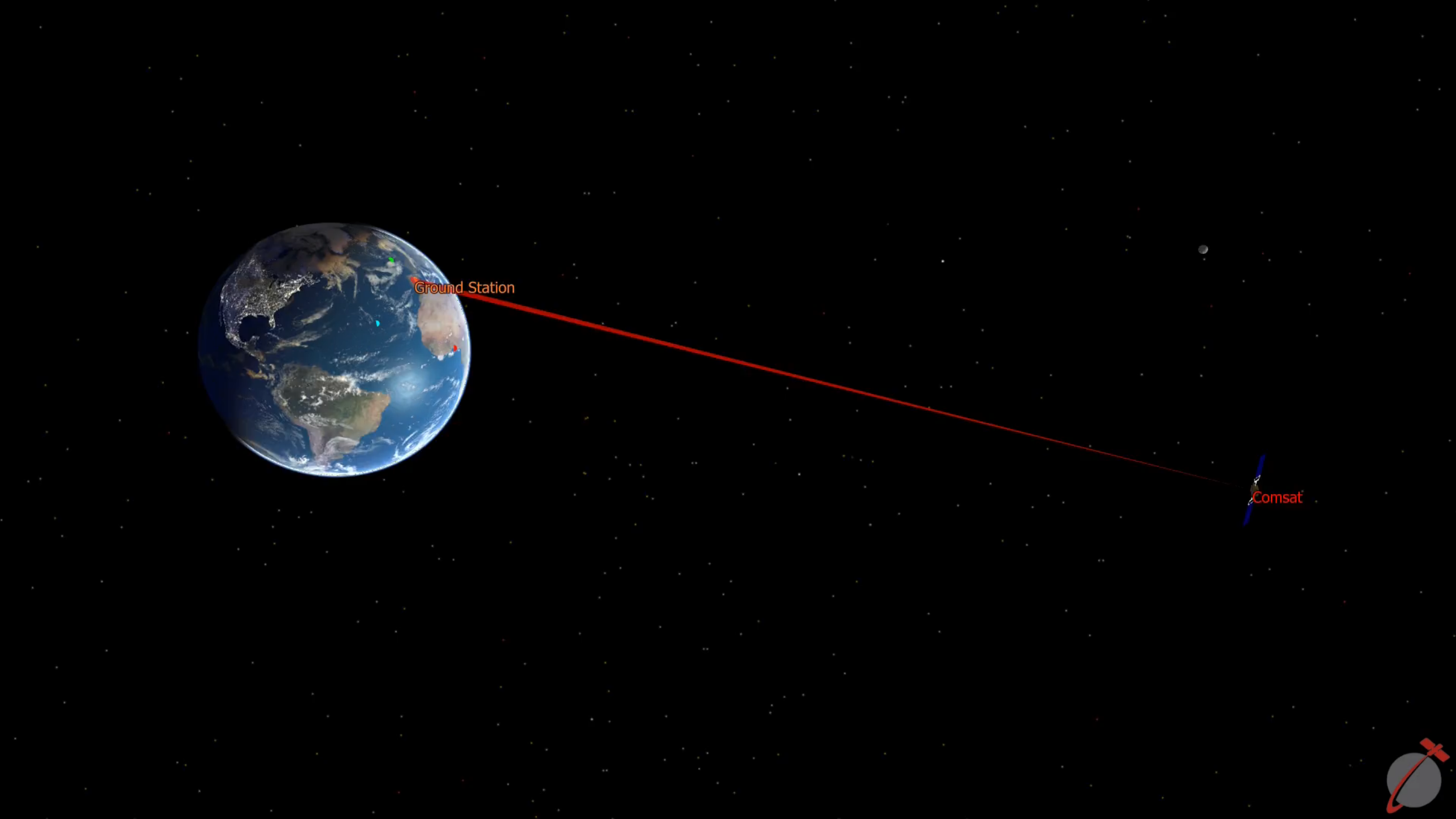
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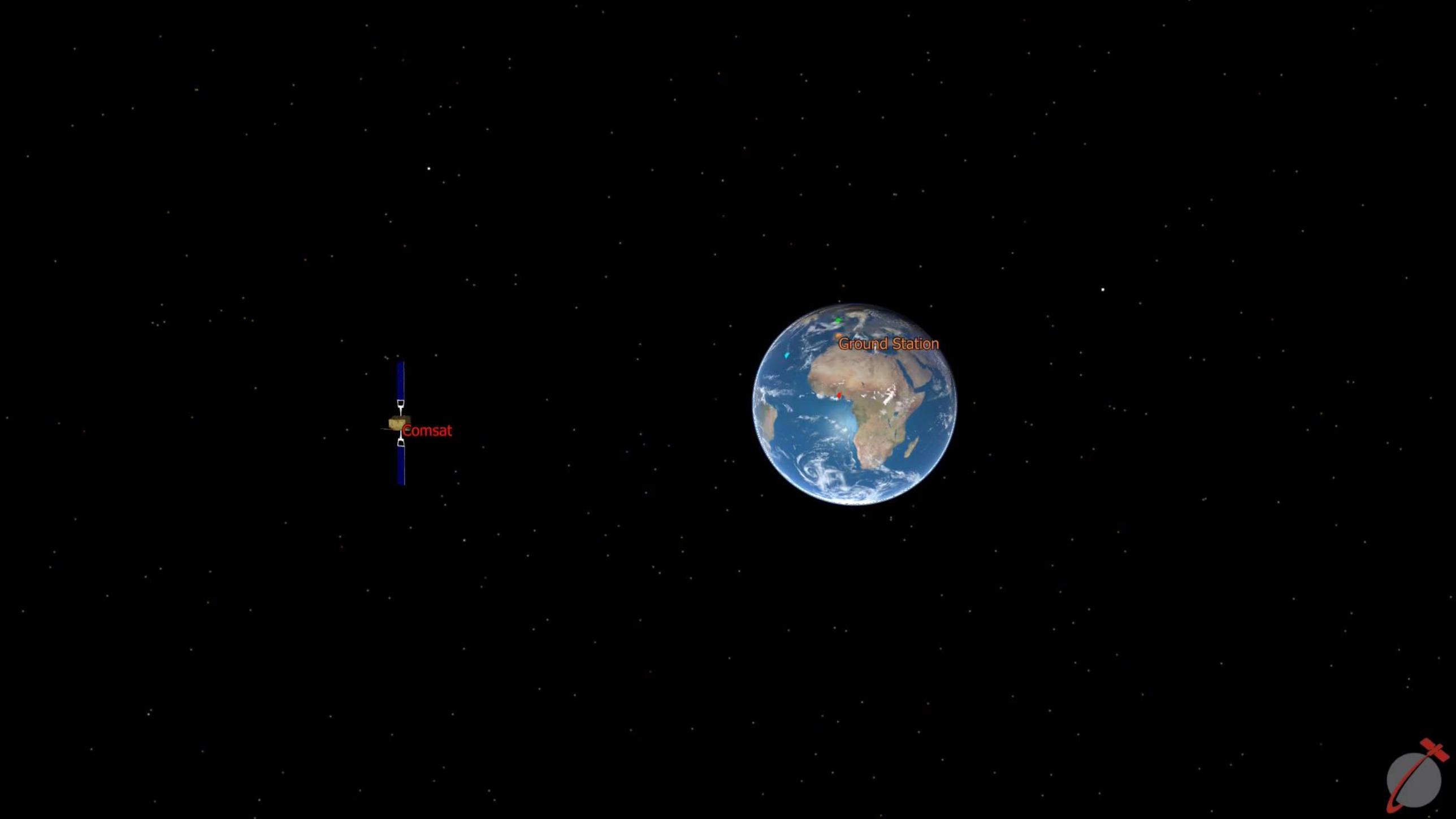
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Threat Model

Nation-State Actor Tech

MDM9000 Satellite Modem

For Intelligence Gathering, WGS and Milsatcom Networks

Description

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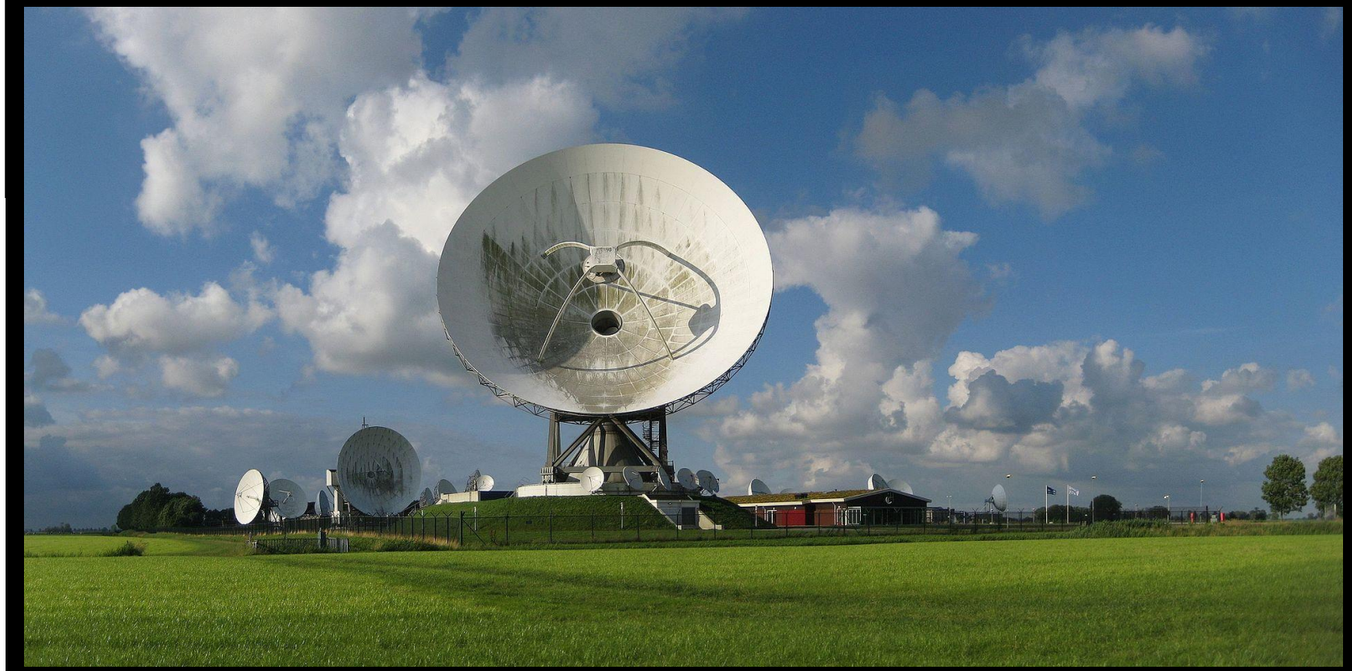

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$300 of TV Equipment

Selfsat H30D ~$90 (or any satellite dish + LNB)

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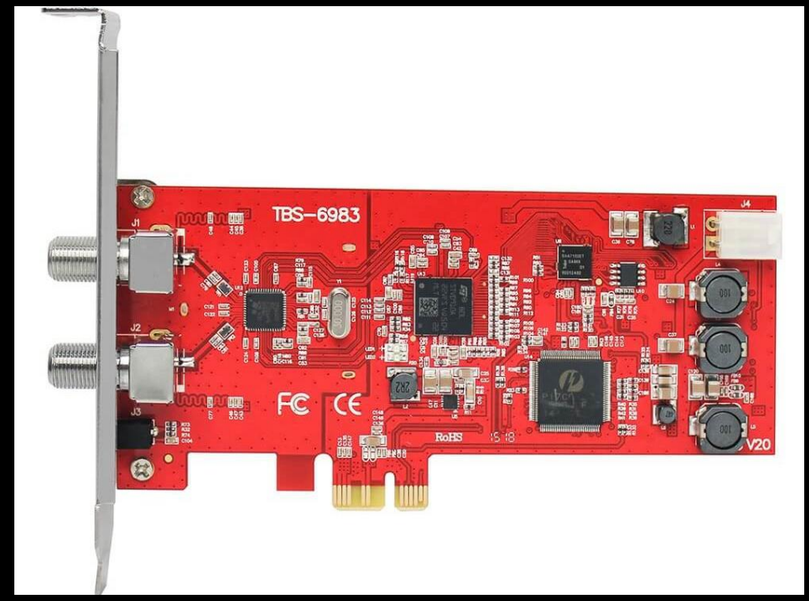
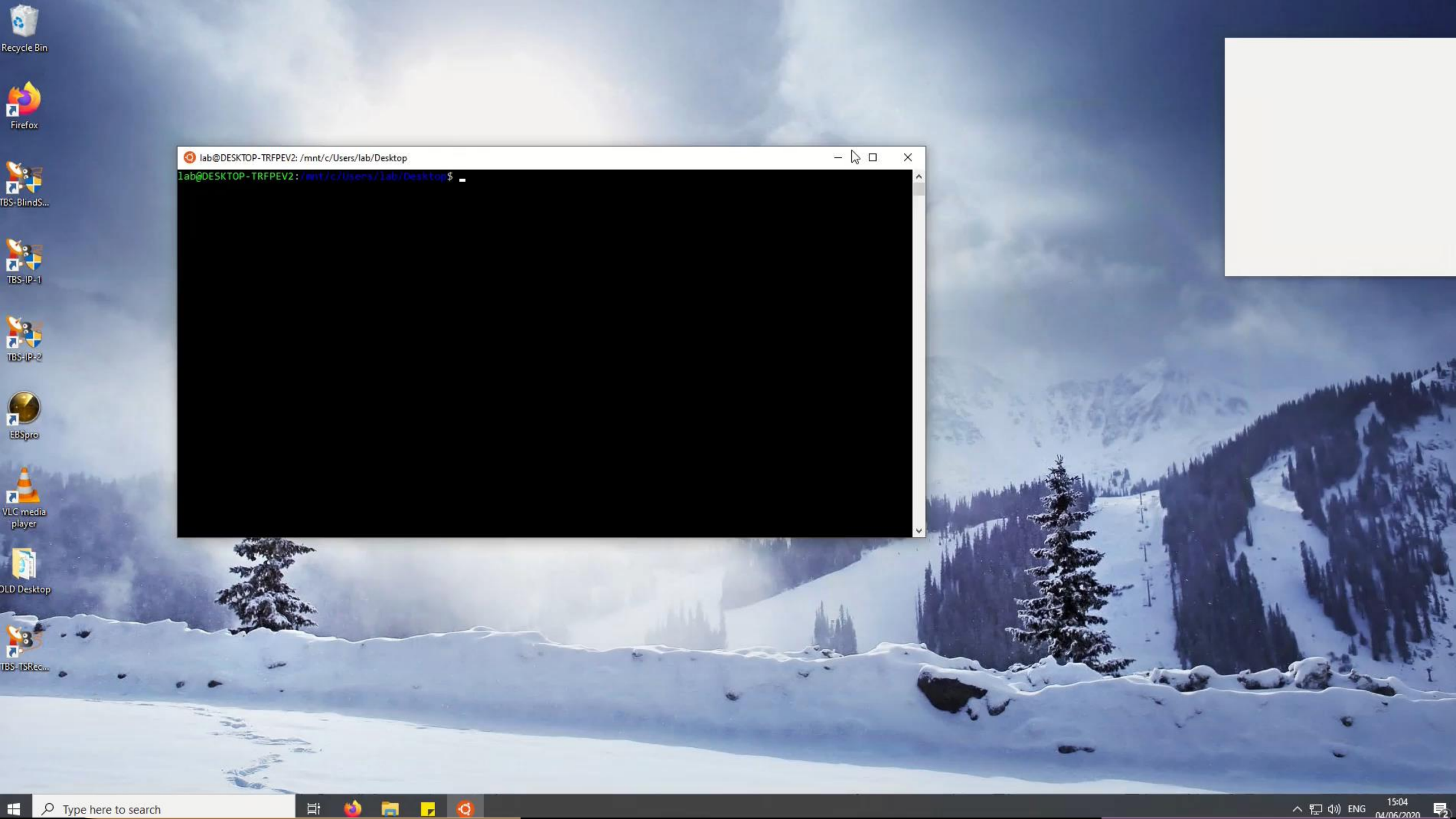


TBS-6983/6903 ~$200-300 (or comparable PCIE tuner, ideally with APSK support)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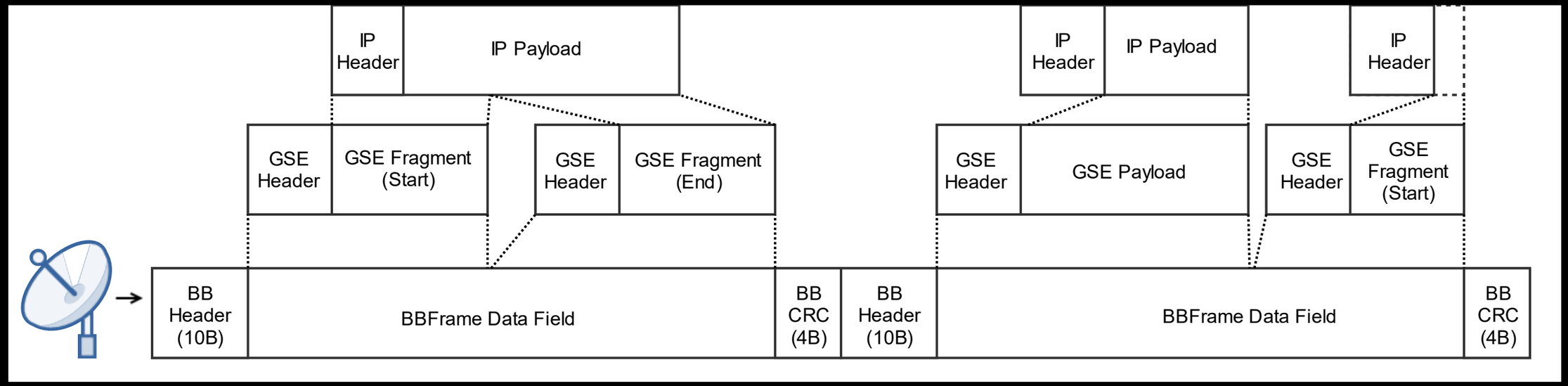
MPEG-TS + MPE/ULE

- Legacy (but still popular) standard
  - Hacked together combination of protocols built for other purposes
- Tools exist for parsing
  - dvbsnoop, tsduck, TSReader
- Primary focus for related work from 2000-2010

GSE (Generic Stream Encapsulation)

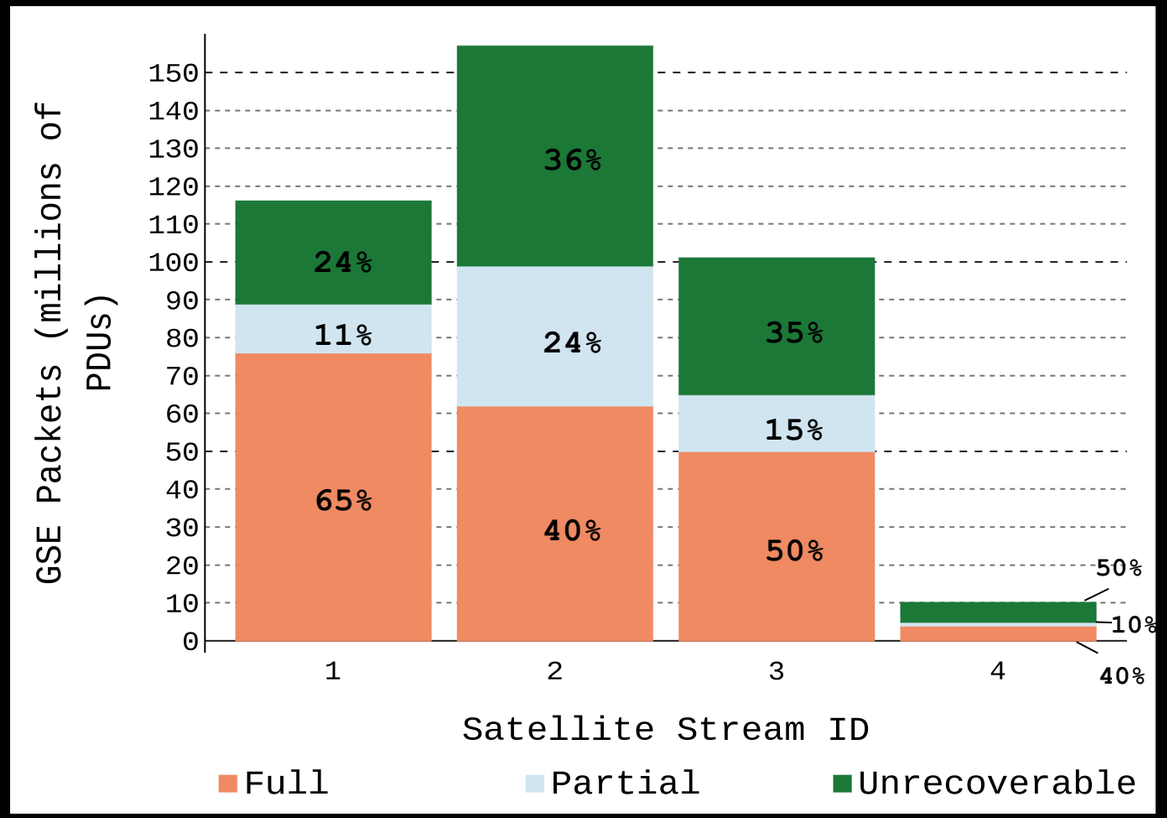
- More modern, popular among enterprise “VSAT” customers
- In practice, networks assume equipment in the $25k-$100k range
  - Doesn’t work well on our hardware…

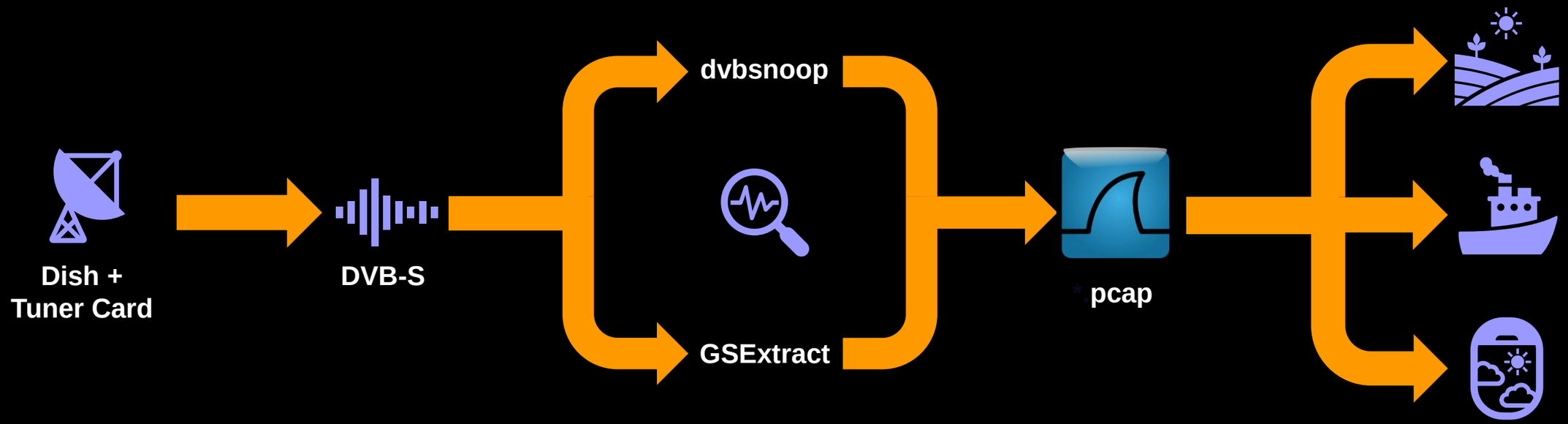


GSExtract

- Custom tool to forensically reconstruct bad recordings
  - Applies simple rules to find IP headers / place fragments
  - https://doi.ieeecomputersociety.org/10.1109/SP40000.2020.00056
- Public Release?
  - https://github.com/ssloxford

Packet Recovery Rate Using GSExtract




Dish +
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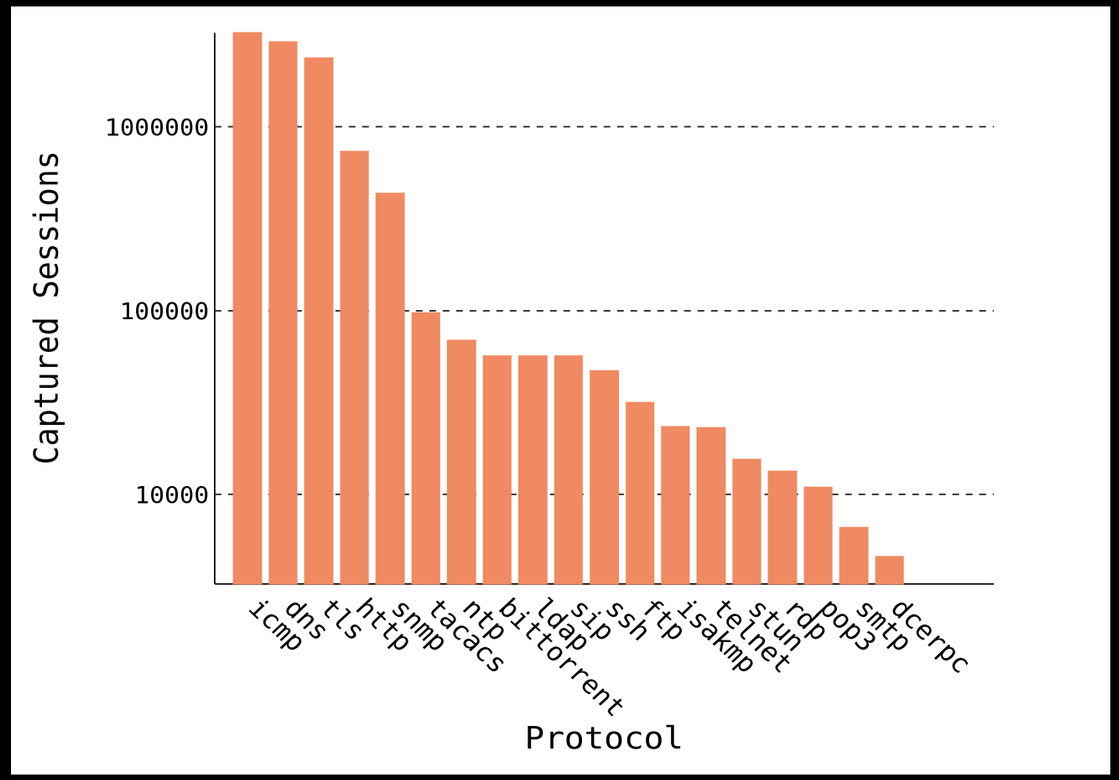
General Findings

NO DEFAULT ENCRYPTION

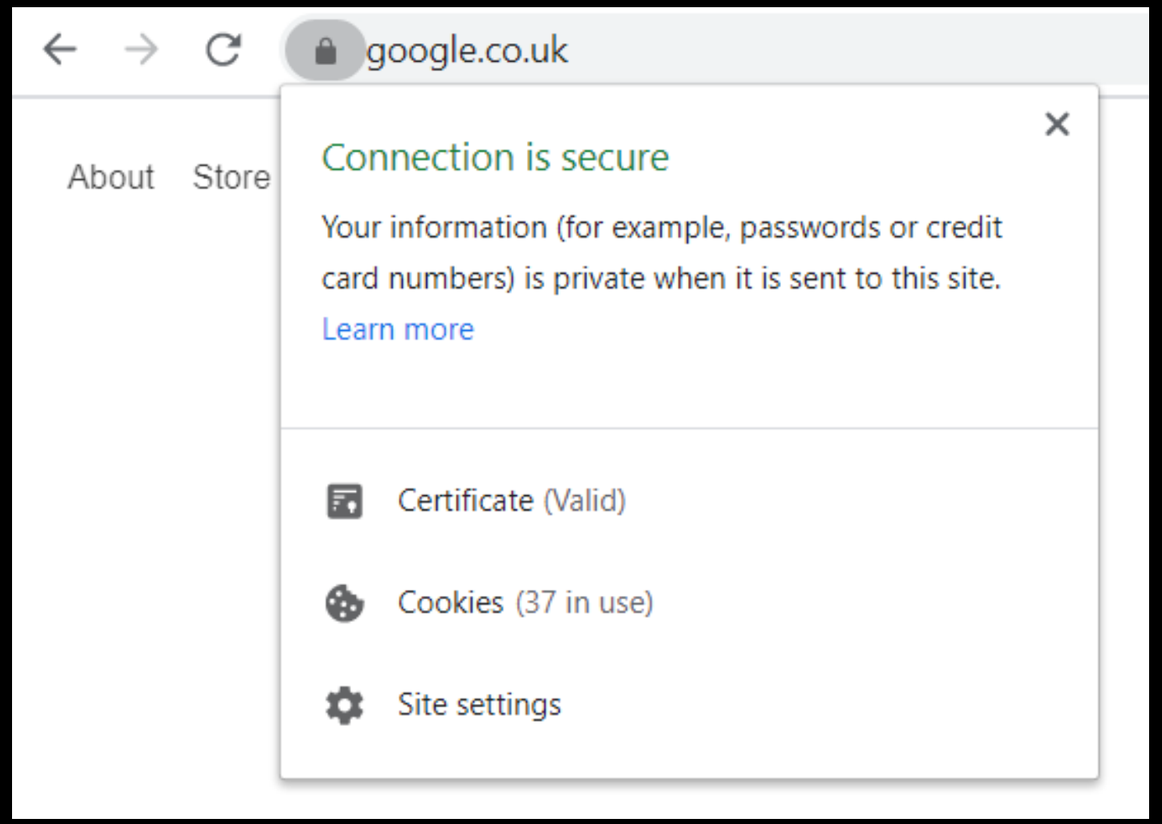
ISP-ESQUE VANTAGE POINT

BREACH THE PERIMETER



Terrestrial

TLS == Privacy?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Connection is secure
Your information (for example, passwords or credit card numbers) is private when it is sent to this site.
Learn more
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TLS != Privacy

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> DVB-DATA MultiProtocol Encapsulation
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> User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 53, Dst Port: 43667
v Domain Name System (response)
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  > Flags: 0x8180 Standard query response, No error
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    Answer RRs: 2
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    Additional RRs: 0
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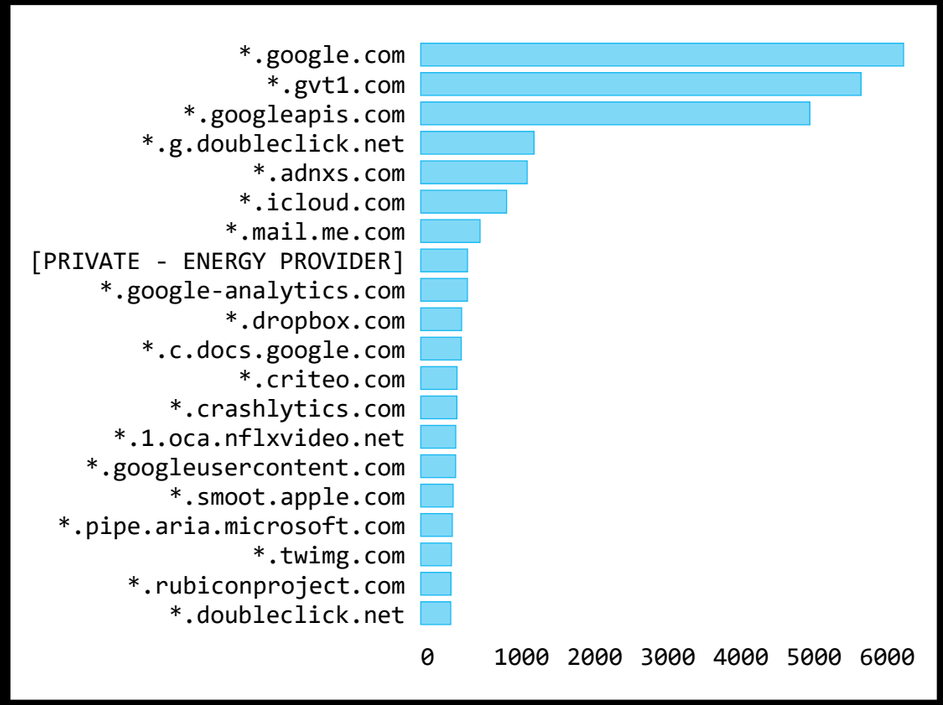
Top SSL Certificate Names (MPEG-TS Case Study)



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IOT & Critical Infrastructure

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Maritime

Case Study: 100 Random Ships

Art: *Rodney's Fleet Taking in Prizes After the Moonlight Battle,* Dominic Serres, Public Domain

~10% of Vessels Identified

Vessel ID*	Vessel Type	Gross Tonnage	Operator Industry	Operator Fleet Size	Example of Identified Client Software Information	Notable Traffic Observations
1	Subsea	22,000t	Oil & Gas	70 Vessels	Specialized Maritime Software	Unencrypted Netlogon Traffic
2	Container	150,000t	Shipping	250 Vessels	PLC Firmware Binaries	"Cargo Hazard A, Major" In Cargo
3	Icebreaker	9,000t	Research	Government	IT Support Software	Unencrypted SMB Fileshares
4	Firefighter	8,000t	Oil & Gas	70 Vessels	Specialized Maritime Software	Unencrypted SQL Database Replication
5	Seismic	8,000t	Seismic	10 Vessels	Antivirus Software & Version	Unencrypted Email Conversations
6	Chemical	5,000t	Shipping	1 Vessels	PLC Firmware Binaries	Unencrypted PLC Firmware Update
7	Outpost	(Island)	Research	N/a	OS Minor Version Numbers	Polar Island Research Station
8	Container	33,000t	Shipping	600 Vessels	Messaging Software	Unencrypted REST API Credentials
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2	Container	150,000t	Shipping	250 Vessels	PLC Firmware Binaries	"Cargo Hazard A, Major" In Cargo
3	Icebreaker	9,000t	Research	Government	IT Support Software	Unencrypted SMB Fileshares
4	Firefighter	8,000t	Oil & Gas	70 Vessels	Specialized Maritime Software	Unencrypted SQL Database Replication
5	Seismic	8,000t	Seismic	10 Vessels	Antivirus Software & Version	Unencrypted Email Conversations
6	Chemical	5,000t	Shipping	1 Vessels	PLC Firmware Binaries	Unencrypted PLC Firmware Update
7	Outpost	(Island)	Research	N/a	OS Minor Version Numbers	Polar Island Research Station
8	Container	33,000t	Shipping	600 Vessels	Messaging Software	Unencrypted REST API Credentials
9	Fishing	1,300t	Fishing	1 Vessel	OS Major Version Numbers	Unencrypted Email Conversations
10	Chemical	17,000t	Shipping	10 Vessels	Specialized Maritime Software	Unencrypted Fileshare Credentials
11	Container	110,000t	Shipping	500 Vessels	Maritime Navigation Software	Unencrypted Email Conversations
12	Subsea	22,000t	Oil & Gas	70 Vessels	Firewall Software & Version	Vulnerable Windows Server 2003

*Note: Vessel names have been withheld and fleet sizes and tonnage are approximate due to privacy concerns.

ECDIS

- Electronic Chart Display and Information System
- Standard Formats Support Cryptographic Verification
  - But we observed more than 15,000 unsigned charts files in transit
- Many also use proprietary formats

Listening Can Be Enough…

Publicly Routable FTP Fileshares

```
> Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 21, Dst Port: 41573, S
v File Transfer Protocol (FTP)
  v 257 "/Inbox/chartdelivery" is current directory.\r\n
      Response code: PATHNAME created (257)
      Response arg: "/Inbox/chartdelivery" is current directory.
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Chart Update Via Email

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Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Please save the attached file
(0[redacted].csz) to the following
directory on the ChartCo PC:
'C:\ChartCo\Inbox'

(Networked users should browse to their
relevant ChartCo Network path e.g.
'G:\ChartCo\Inbox')

Once all attachments have been saved,
open PassageManager and click on the
'Check for New Updates' button at the
foot of the home page in order to import
any new data.

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------=_Part_64846_1152542406.1556874033574
Content-Type: application/octet-stream;
name="0[redacted].csz"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: base64
Content-Disposition: attachment;
filename="0[redacted].csz"
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General Privacy

Captain of Billionaire's Yacht – MSFT Acct.

Subject: Microsoft account password reset
To: captain@[redacted].com
X-Priority: 3
X-MSAPipeline: MessageDispatcherEOP
Message-ID: [redacted]
X-MSAMetaData:
=?us-ascii?q?[redacted]
=?us-ascii?q?[redacted]
=?us-ascii?q?[redacted]
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: multipart/alternative; boundary="[redacted]"
Return-Path: account-security-noreply@accountprotection.microsoft.com
X-EOPAttributedMessage: 0
X-Forefront-Antispam-Report:

Guests & Crew / Lunch Orders?

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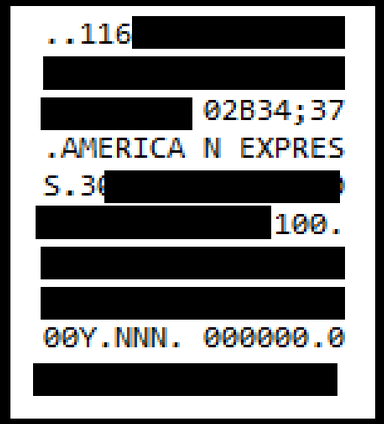
General Privacy

POS Traffic From Cruise Ships



Crew Passport Data Transmitted to Port Authorities

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Passport: Z Issued: 05 Expiry: 04
Seaman book: Issued: 04 Expiry: 03
Nationality: Date of birth: Place of birth: H

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Aviation

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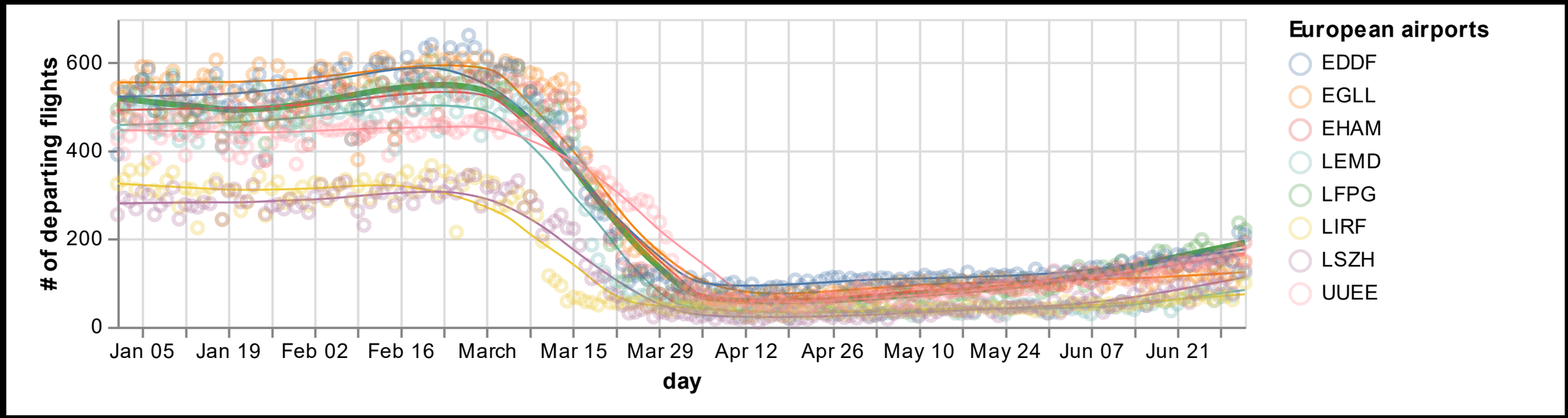

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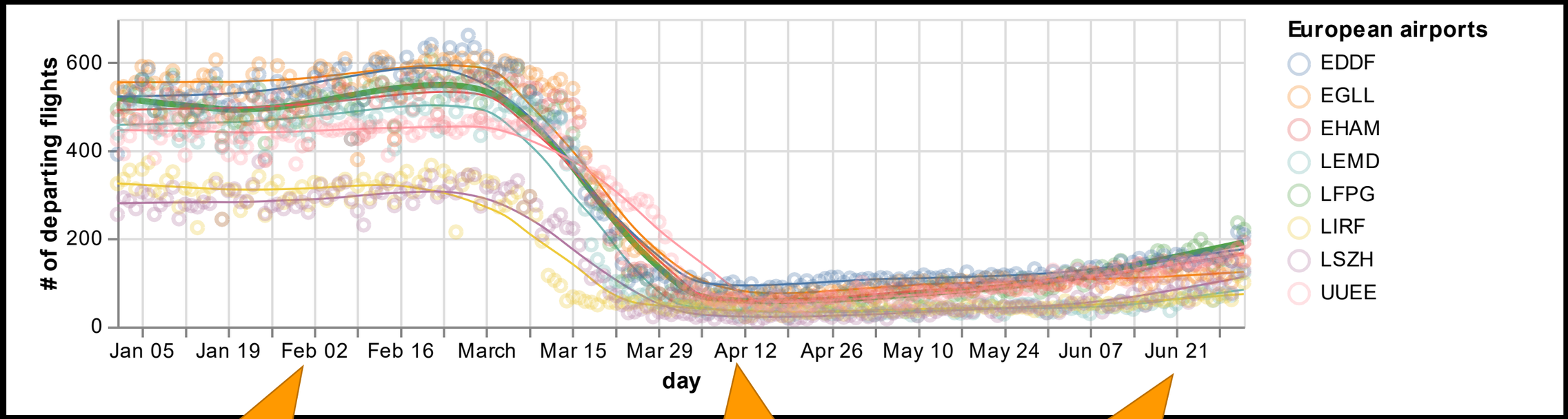

Lots of Useless Nonsense (e.g. Instagram Traffic)

Almost Entirely Essential Traffic

People Who Really Need to Travel

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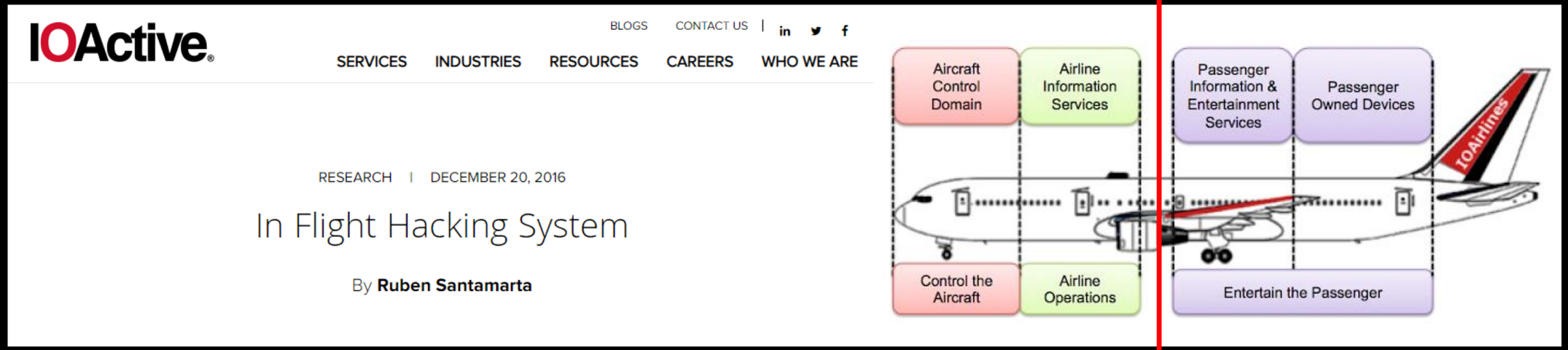
Crossing the “Red Line”



”A primary concern is the sharing of these SATCOM devices between different data domains, which could allow an attacker […] to pivot from a compromised IFE to certain avionics”

The Loneliest EFB

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  tude=[redacted]
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Photo: *Gulfstream Aerospace G150*, Robert Frola, 2011, Flickr, GFDL.

GSM @ 30,000ft

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> UTRAN Iuh interface RUA signalling
> Radio Access Network Application Part
> GSM A-I/F DTAP - CP-DATA
> GSM A-I/F RP - RP-DATA (Network to MS)
v GSM SMS TPDU (GSM 03.40) SMS-DELIVER
    0... .... = TP-RP: TP Reply Path parameter is not set in this SMS SUBMIT/DELIVER
    .1.. .... = TP-UDHI: The beginning of the TP UD field contains a Header in addition to the short message
    ..0. .... = TP-SRI: A status report shall not be returned to the SME
    .... 0... = TP-LP: The message has not been forwarded and is not a spawned message
    .... .0.. = TP-MMS: More messages are waiting for the MS in this SC
    .... ..00 = TP-MTI: SMS-DELIVER (0)
  > TP-Originating-Address - [redacted]
  > TP-PID: 0
  > TP-DCS: 8
  > TP-Service-Centre-Time-Stamp
    TP-User-Data-Length: (140) depends on Data-Coding-Scheme
  v TP-User-Data
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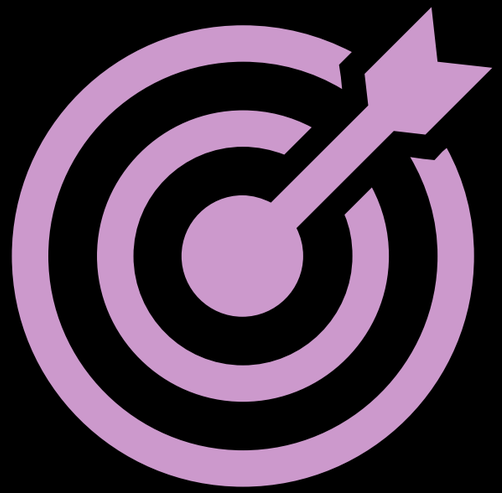
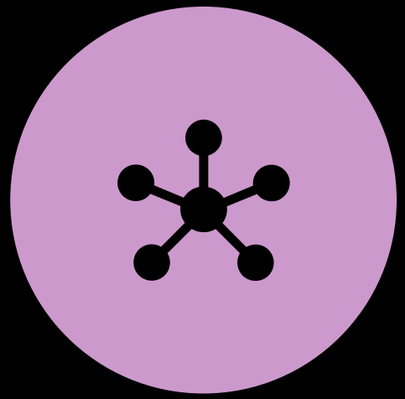
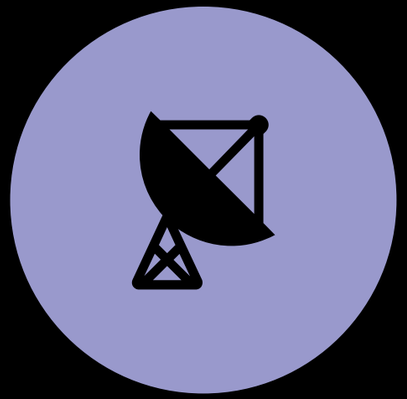


Active Attacks?

“Untraceable” Exfiltration: Requirements



ROUTE FROM COMPROMISED HOST TO SATELLITE IP



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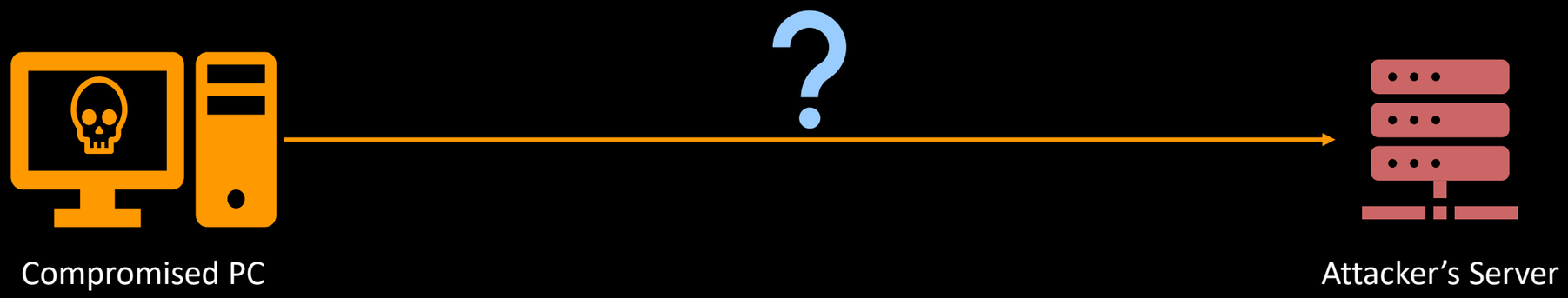
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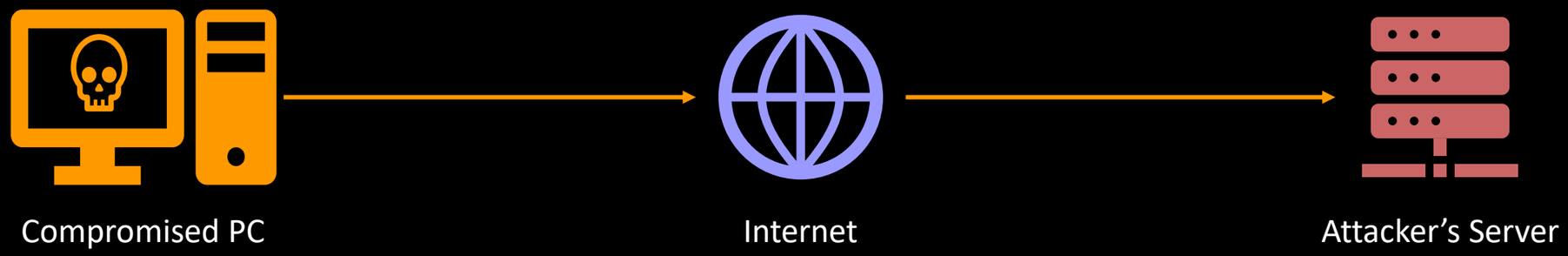
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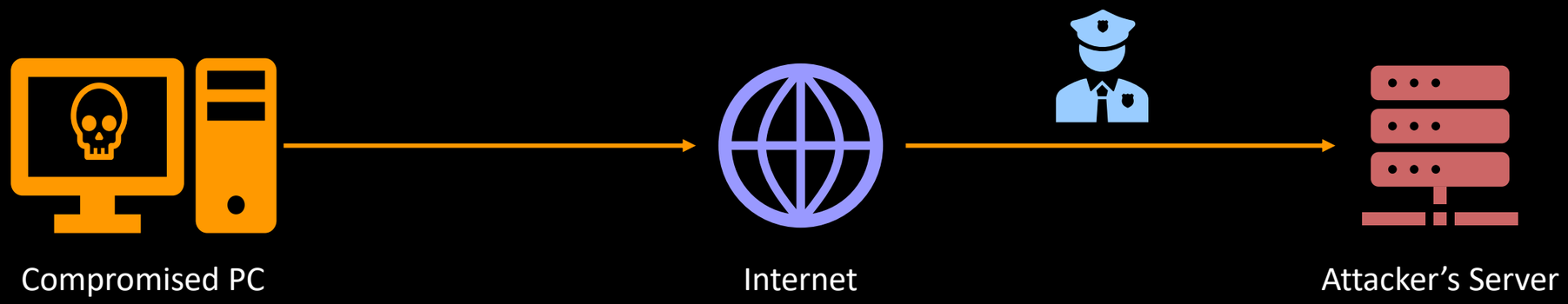
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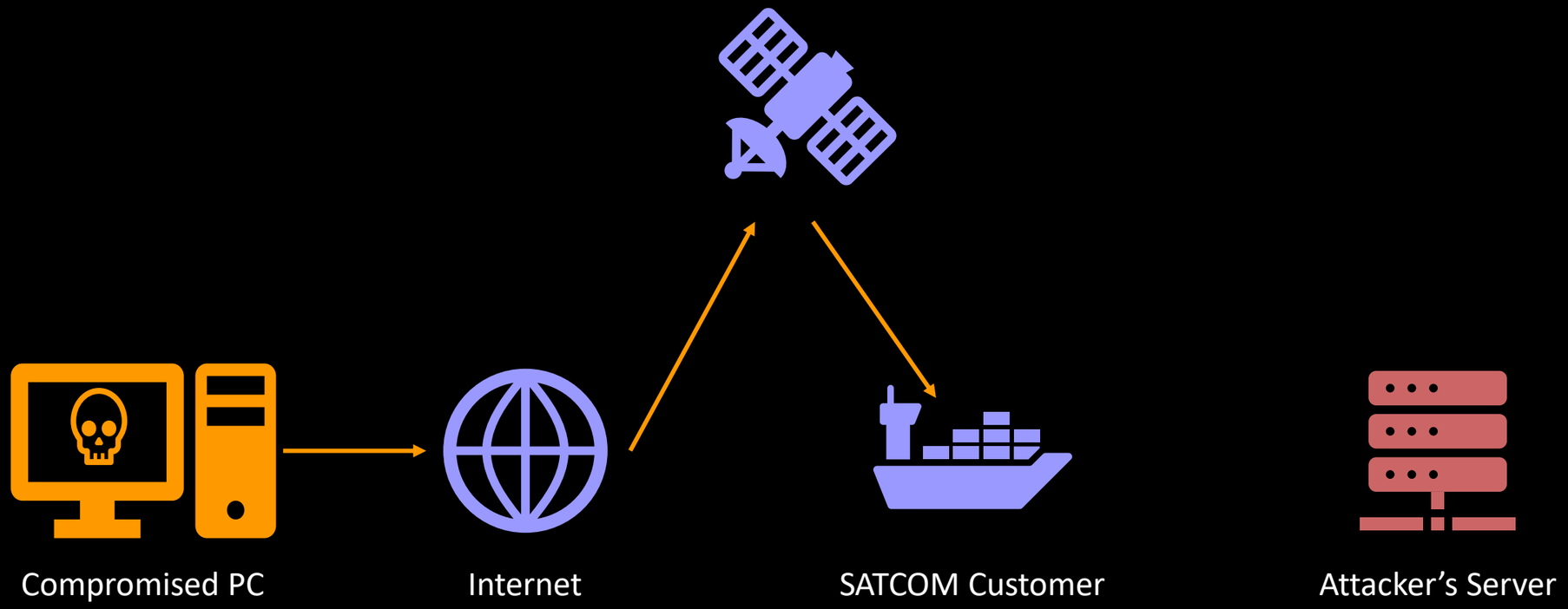
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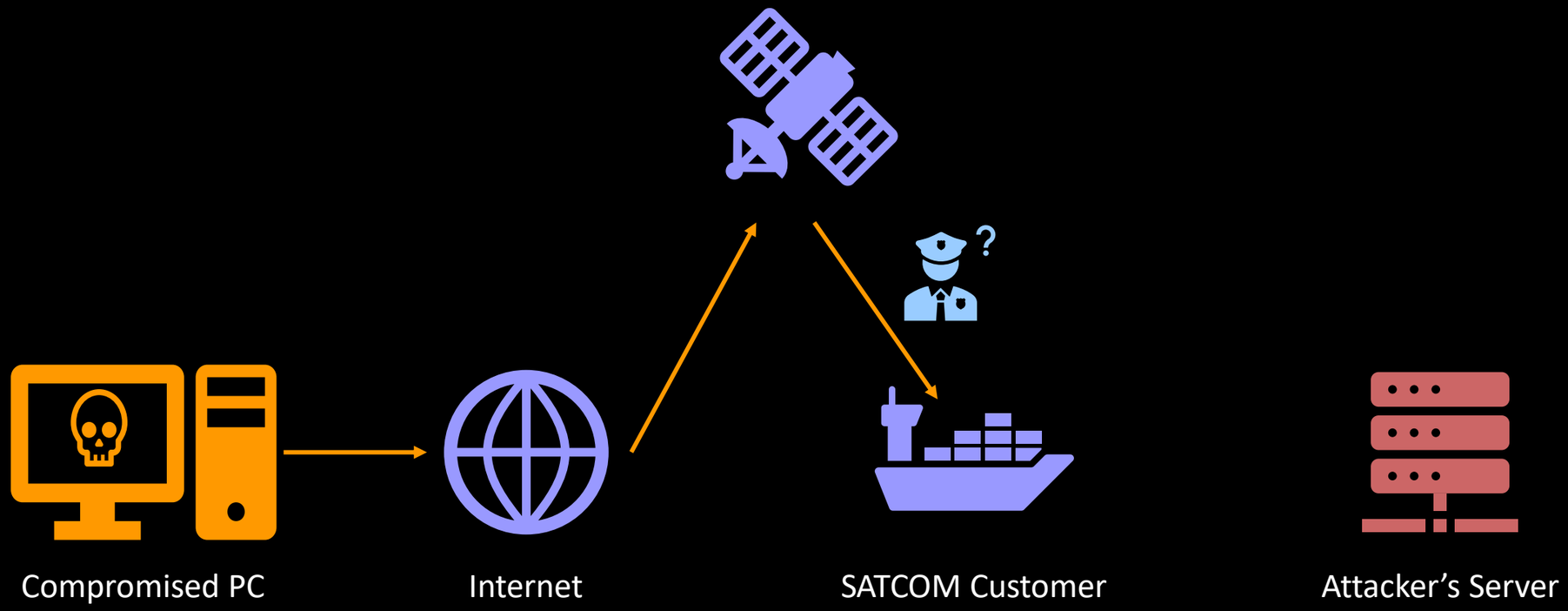
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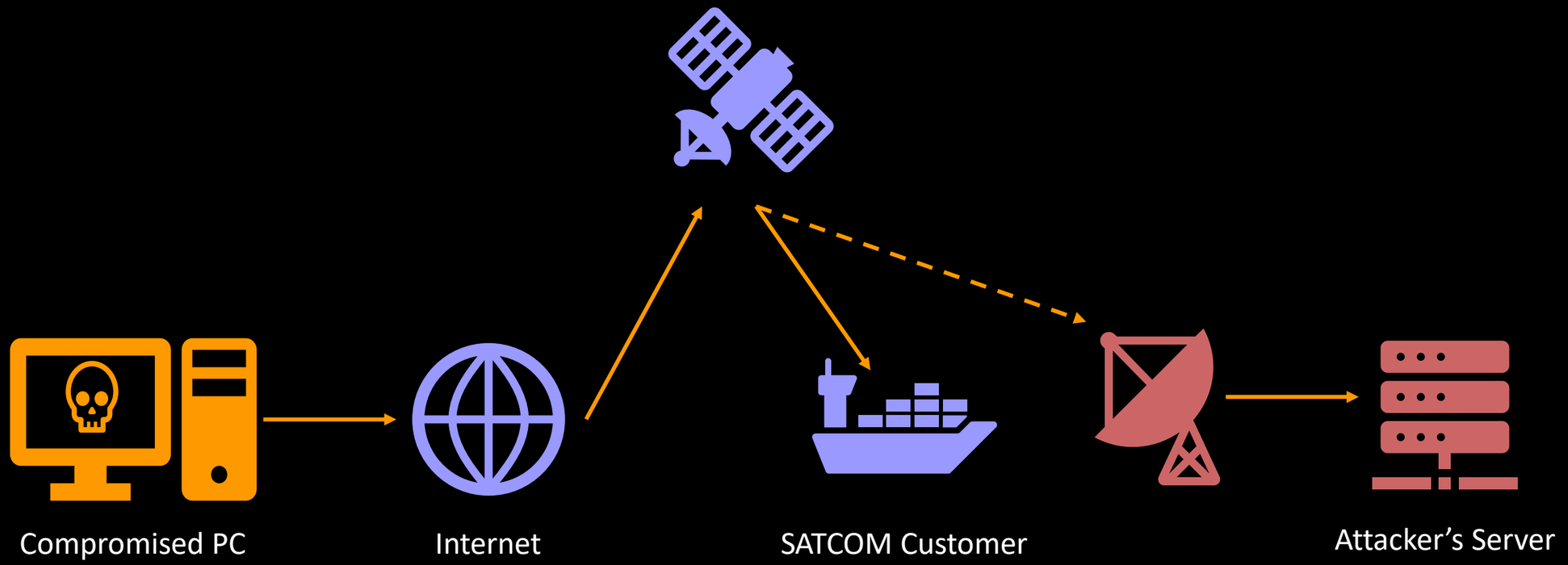
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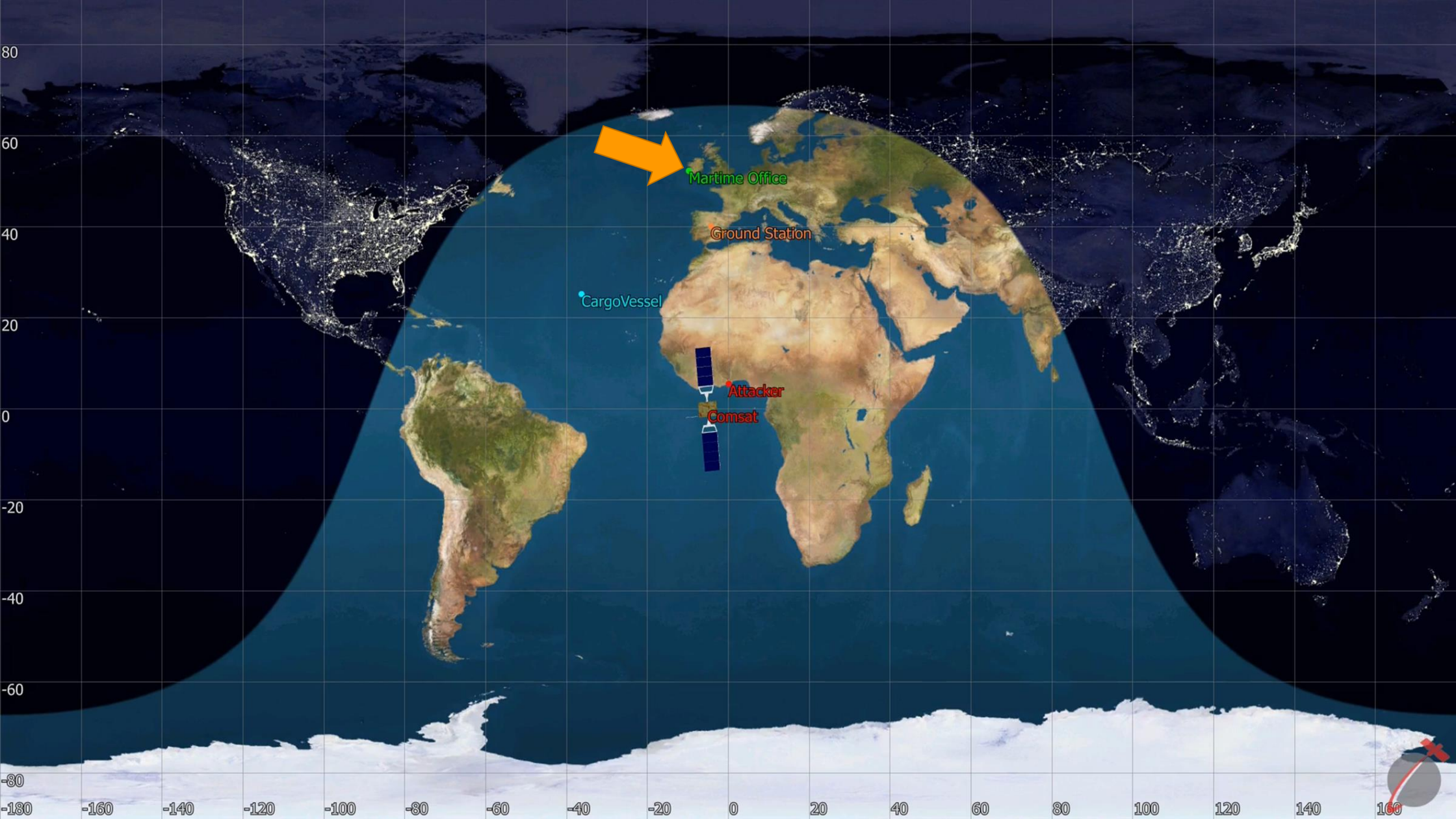
TCP Session Hijacking

- Snoop TCP sequence numbers
- Impersonate satellite-terminal conversation endpoint
  - Possibly bi-directional, but more complex
- Network Requirements
  - IPs must be routable to attacker
  - No TCP sequence number altering proxies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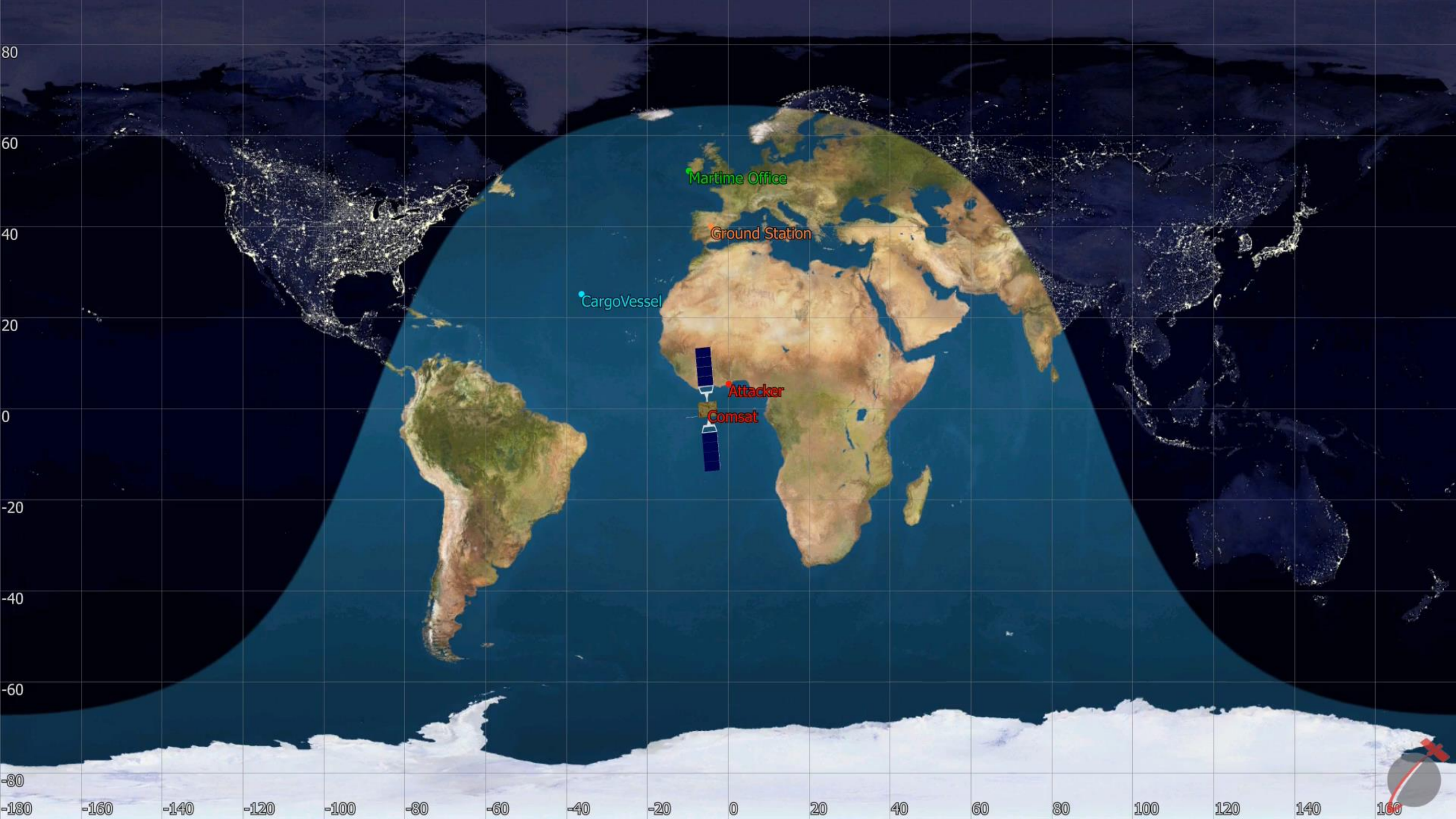
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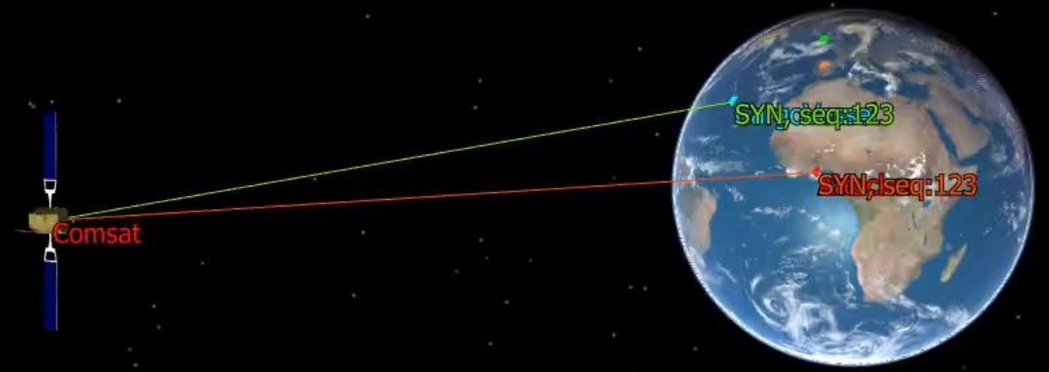
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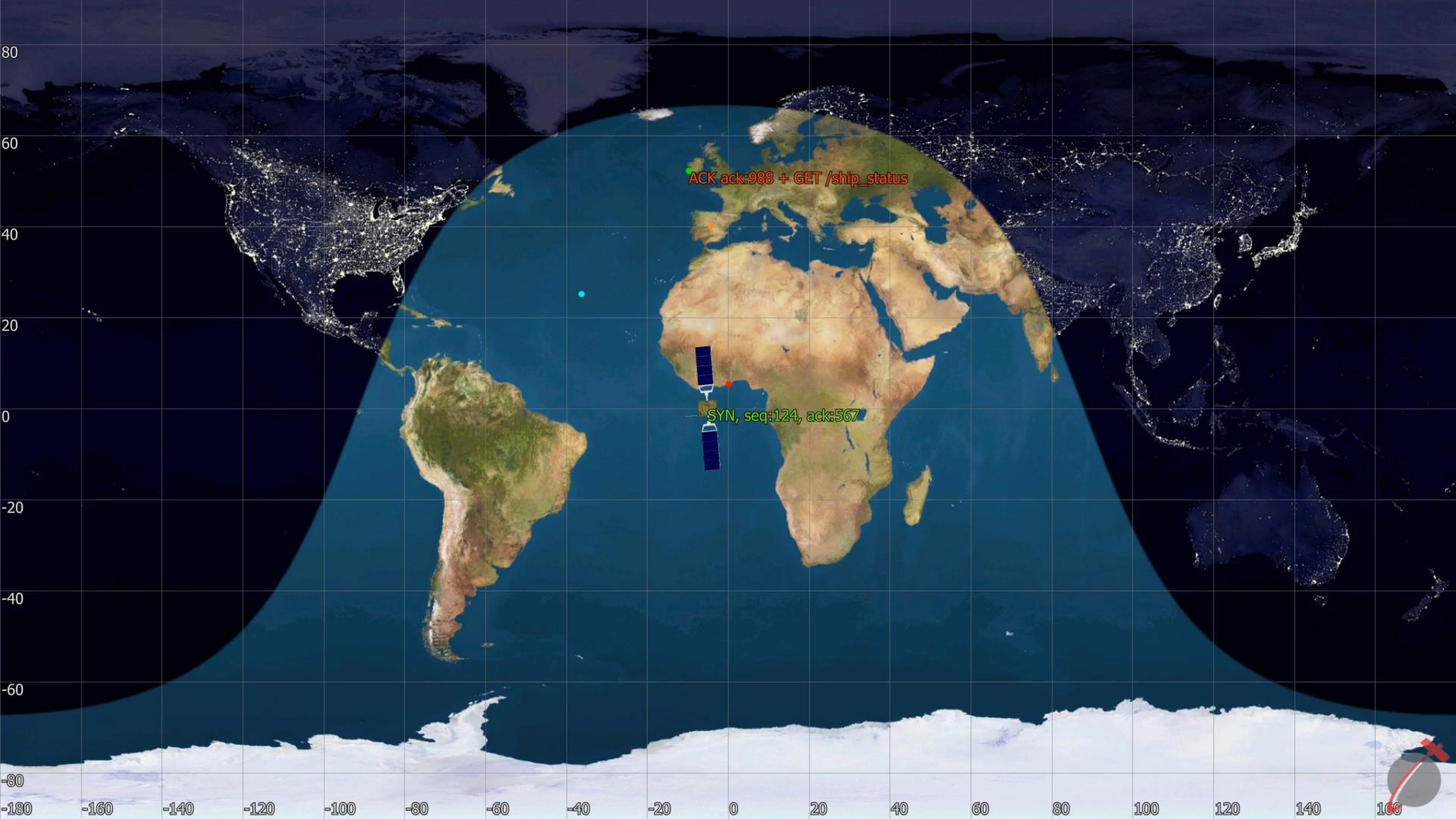
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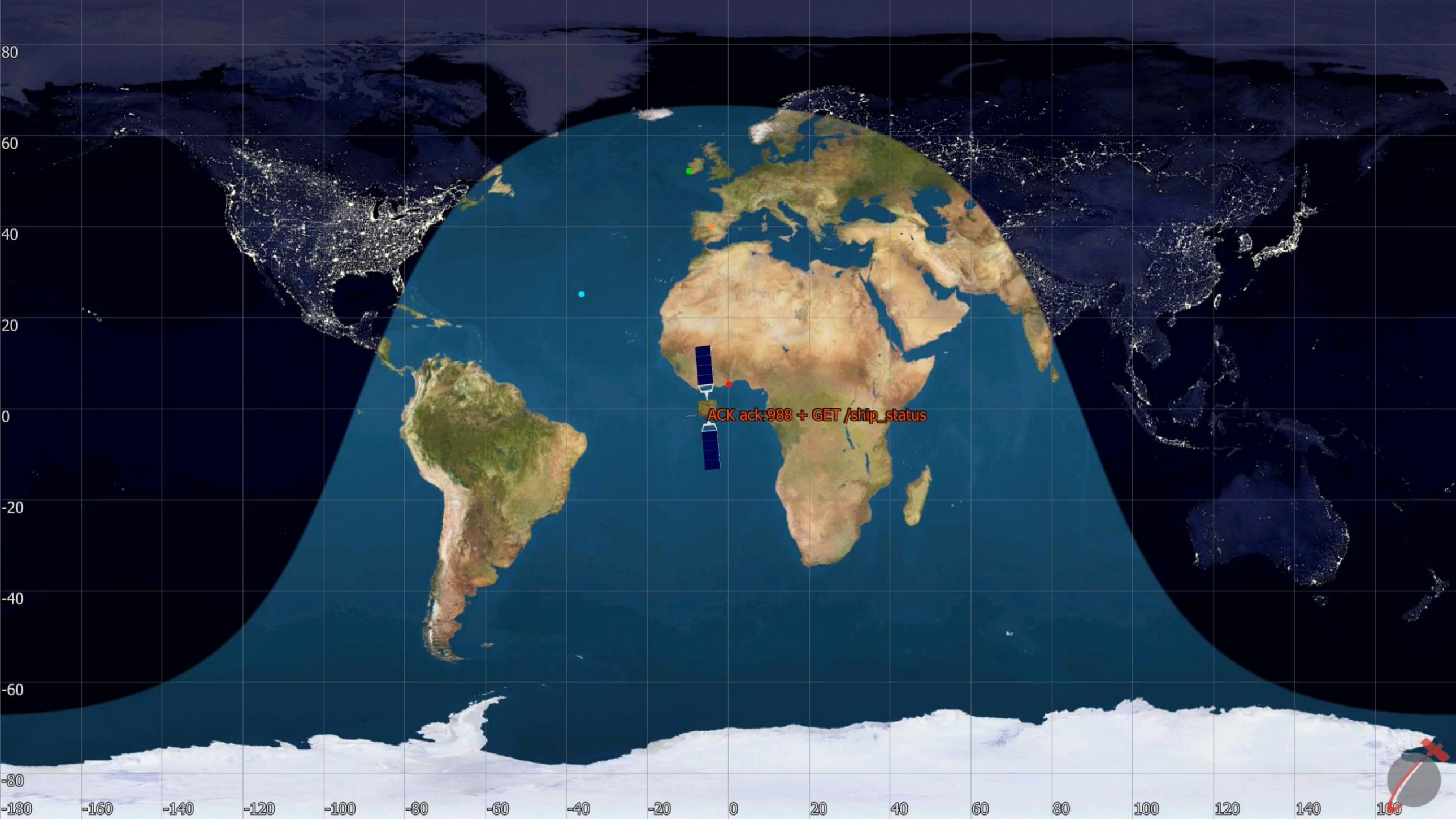
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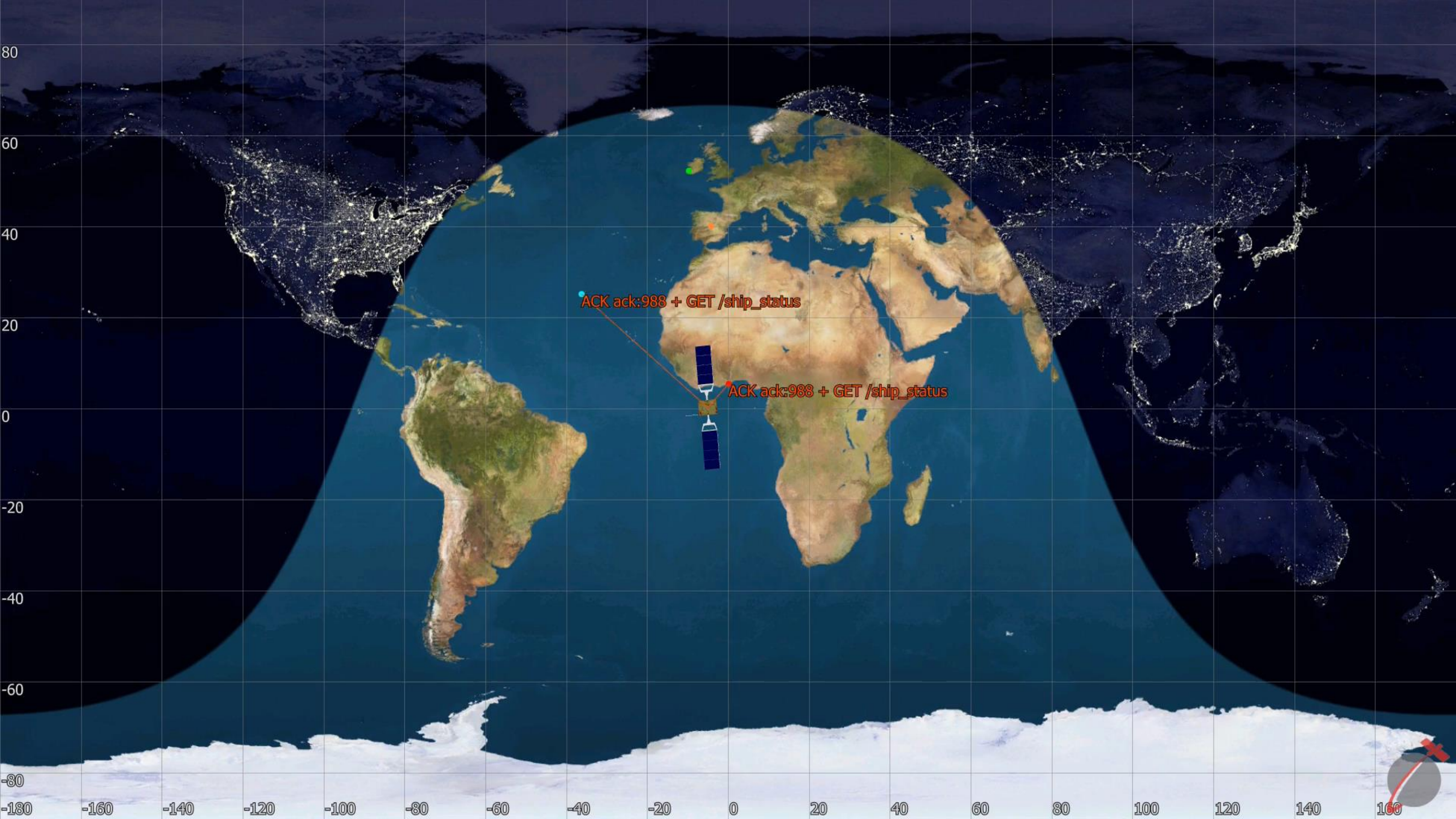
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Ethics and Disclosure

Adhered to legal obligations in jurisdiction of data collection	Followed responsible disclosure process	Vast majority of companies were receptive
• Data stored securely and only while needed • Data was never shared with 3rd parties • Encryption untouched • Won't "name and shame"	• Contacted satellite operators in 2019 • Reached out to some of the largest impacted customers	• Shared findings directly to CISOs of several large orgs • Unclear if any changes have been made… • Only one organization threatened legal action if we published!

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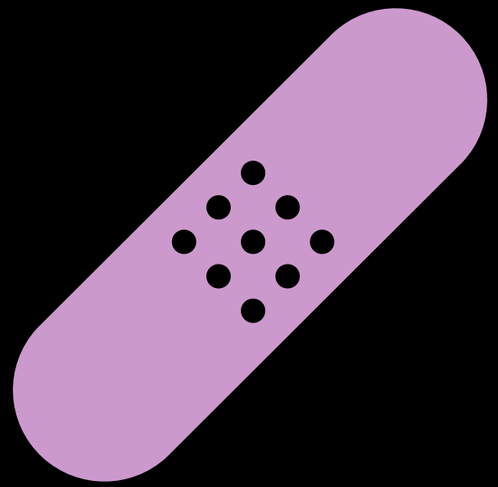


Mitigations and Defenses

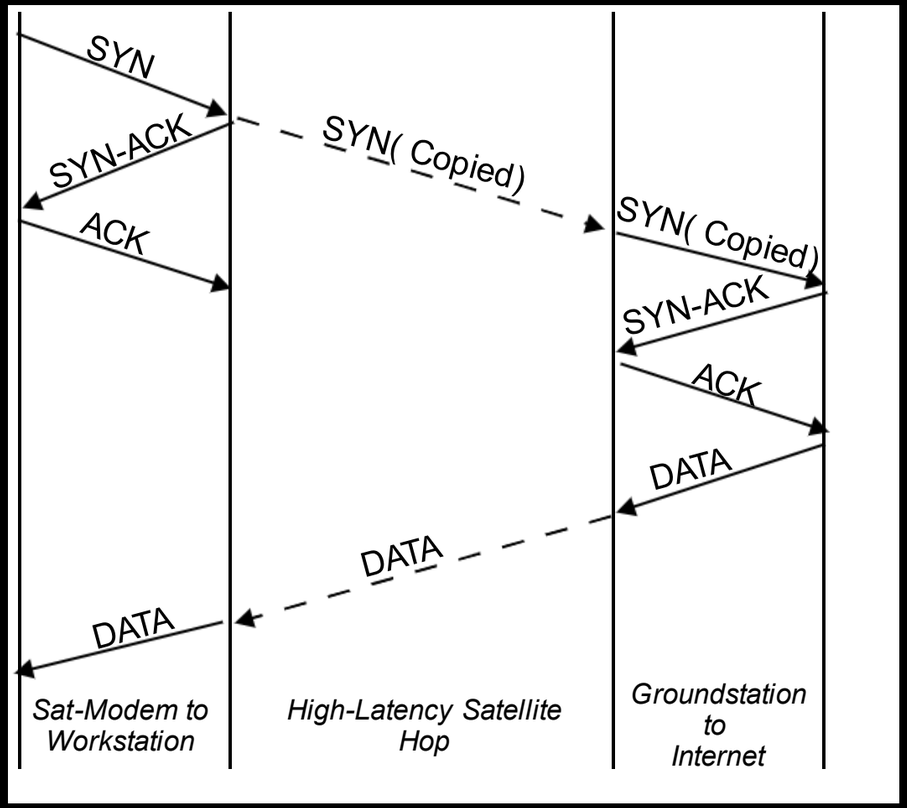
Why Does This Happen?

- Not just ignorance / incompetence
- Space is *far* and round-trip times (RTT) to GEO are long
- TCP especially troublesome because of the 3-way handshake

Your ISP: A Helpful MITM?

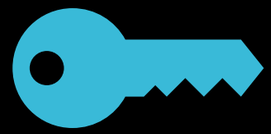
- Split TCP handshake locally
  - One handshake at the modem
  - One handshake at the ISP groundstation
- Problem: Can't split TCP connections if they're wrapped in a VPN
  - Applies to TCP-based VPNs too since underlying connection is wrapped

Basic Performance Enhancing Proxy (PEP)



Ok, but what can I do *today?*

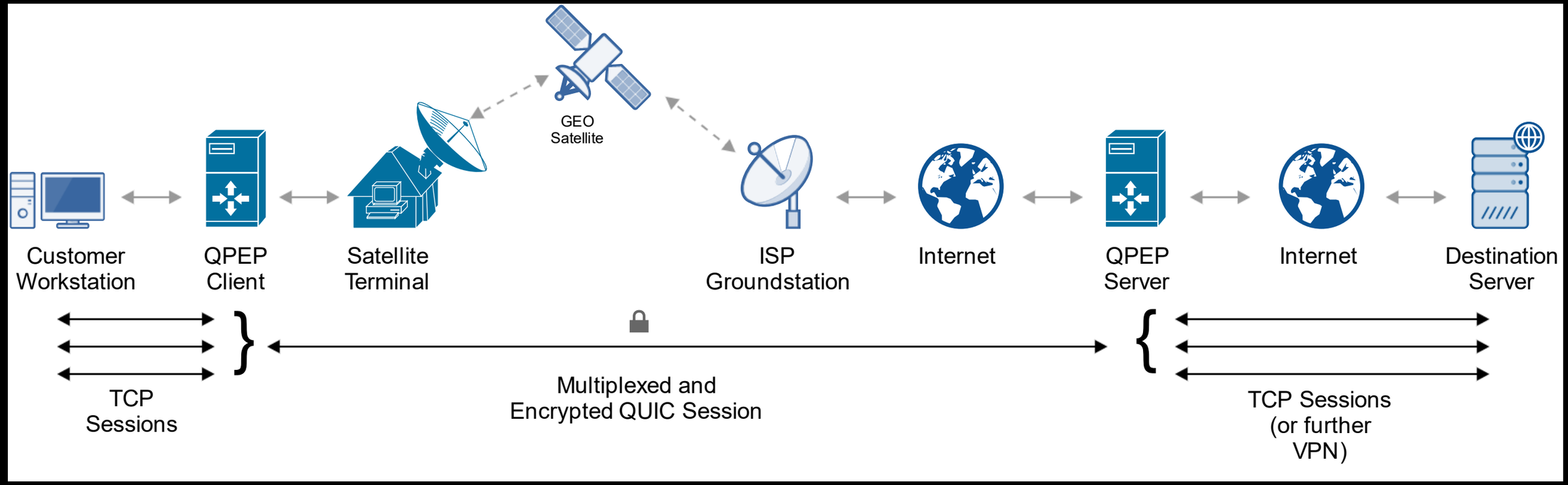
Accept VPN performance hit



Use TLS / DNSSEC / etc.

ISP: Alter sequence numbers in PEP

Longer Term: QPEP



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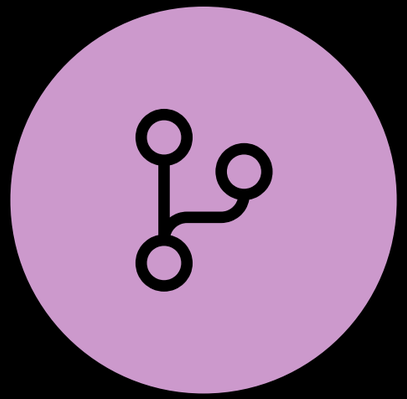

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Contribute Here:
https://github.com/ssloxford/qpep

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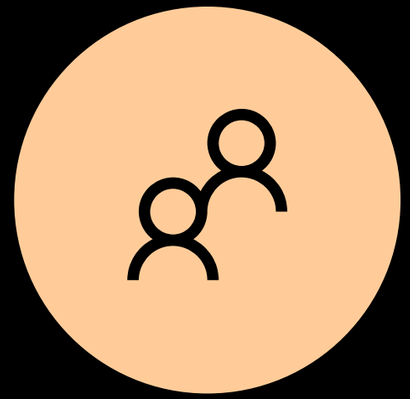

TARGET INDIVIDUALS (NOT ISPS)

Traditional VPN Encryption (OpenVPN)

~25 seconds

Encrypted PEP (QPEP)

~14 seconds

Key Takeaways

Satellite Broadband Traffic is Vulnerable to Long-Range Eavesdropping Attacks

Satellite Customers Across Domains Leak Sensitive Data Over Satellite Links

Performance and Privacy Don’t Need to Trade Off in SATCOMs Design

The “Next Hop” is unknown. Encrypt everything.

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