



# **A satellite with homespun electronics**

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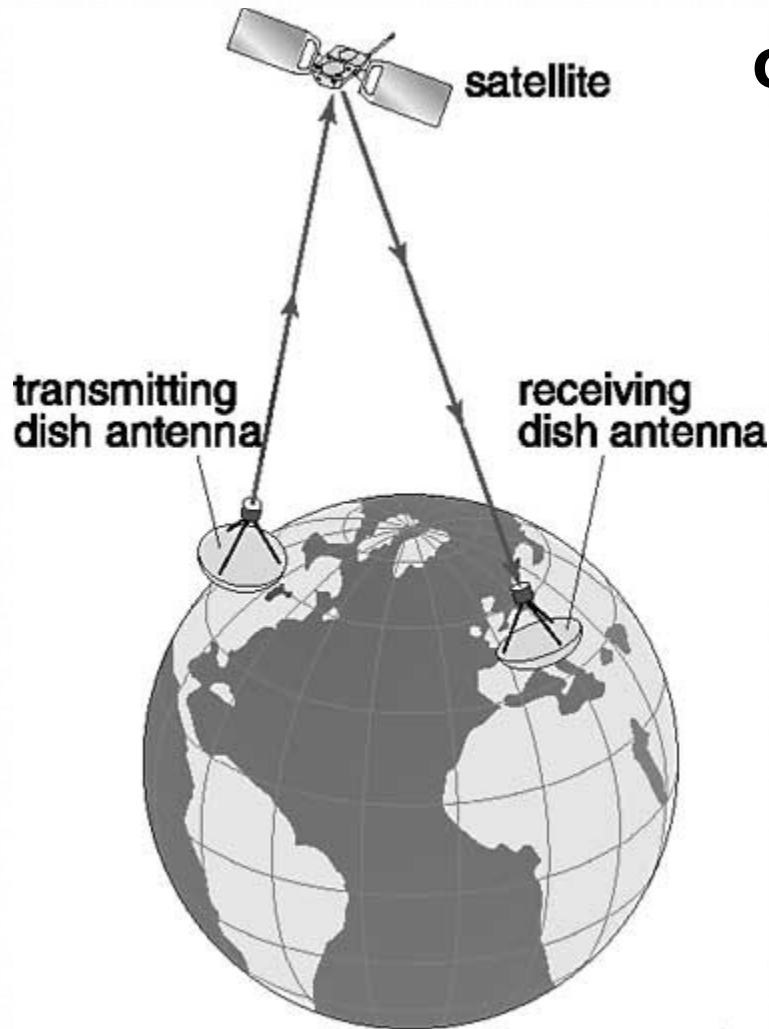


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# PROBLEM

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## Classic Satellite Communications usual problems

High costs  
Unaccessible  
Private owners  
Low bandwidth  
Maintenance



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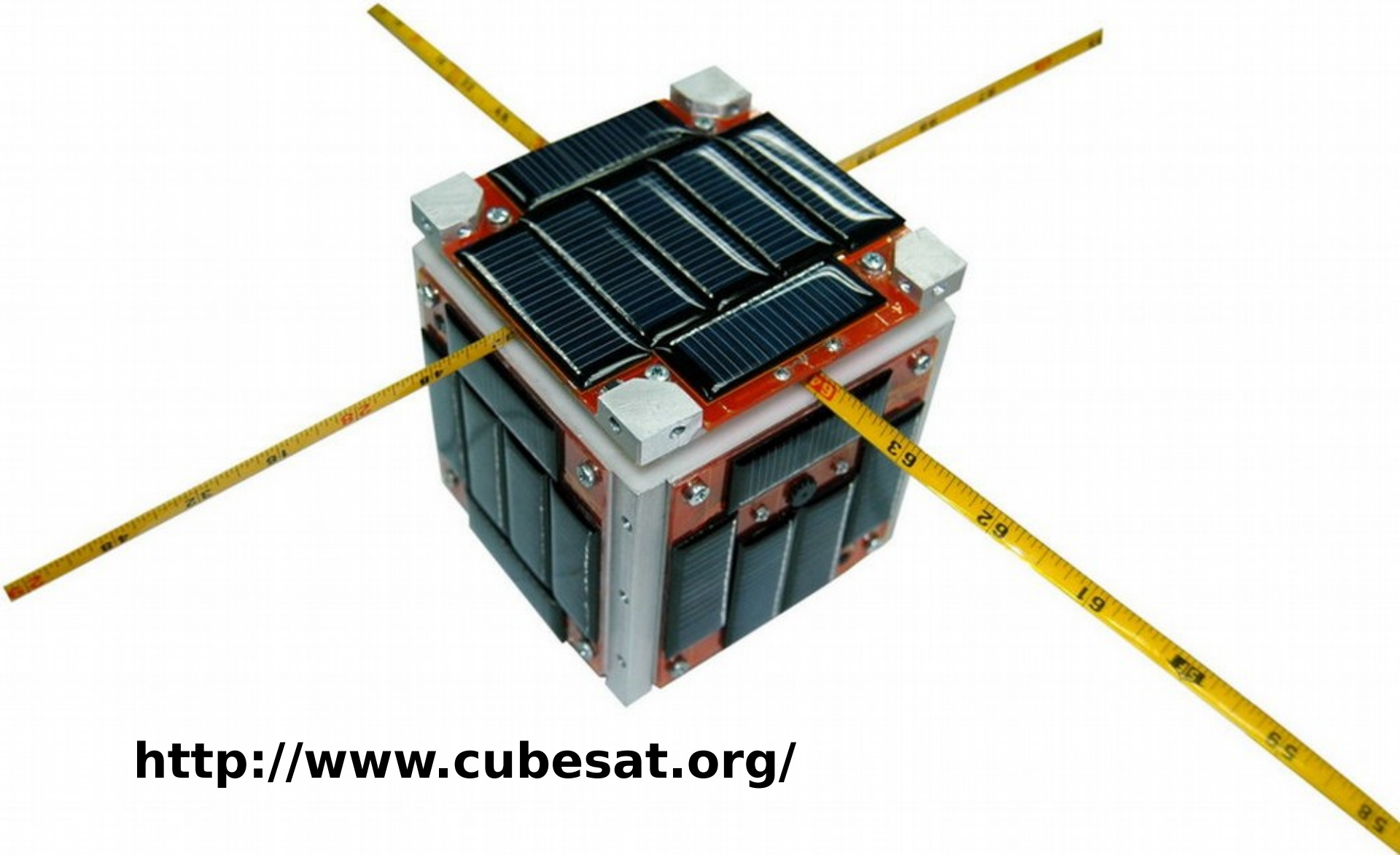
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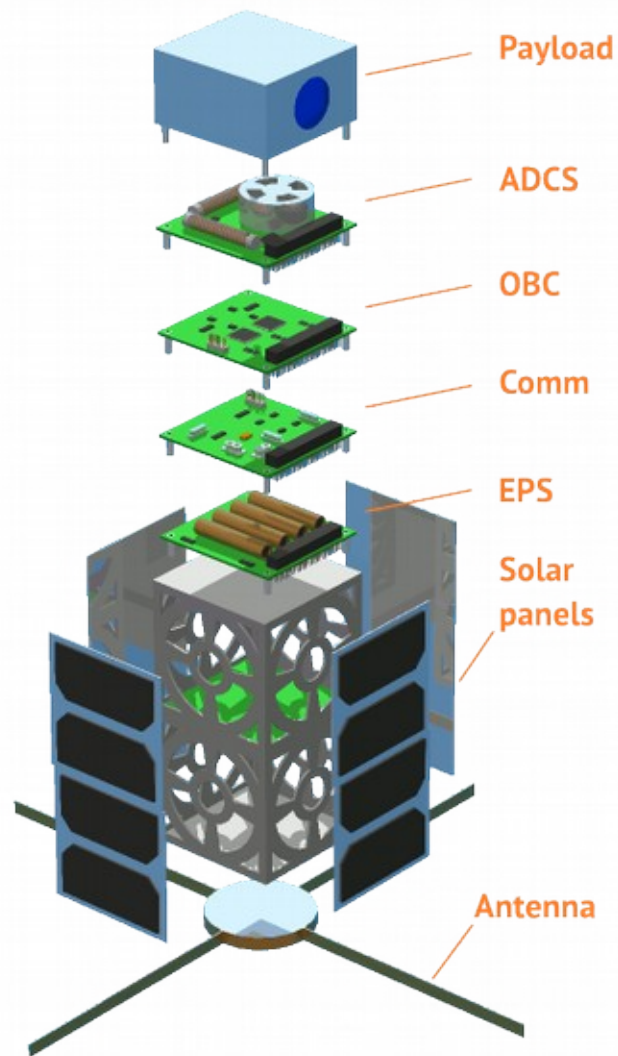


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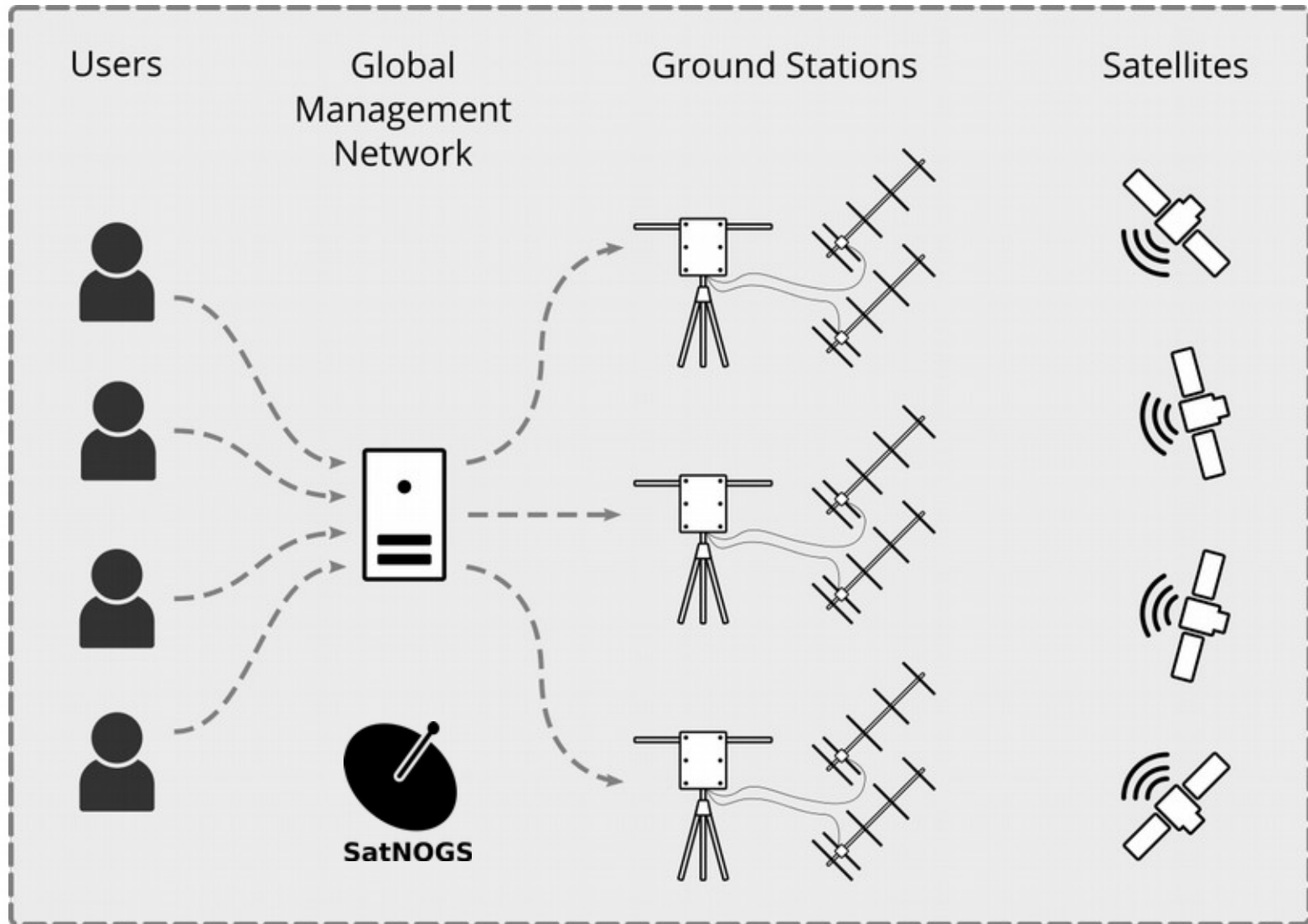


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**open** source



**open** hardware



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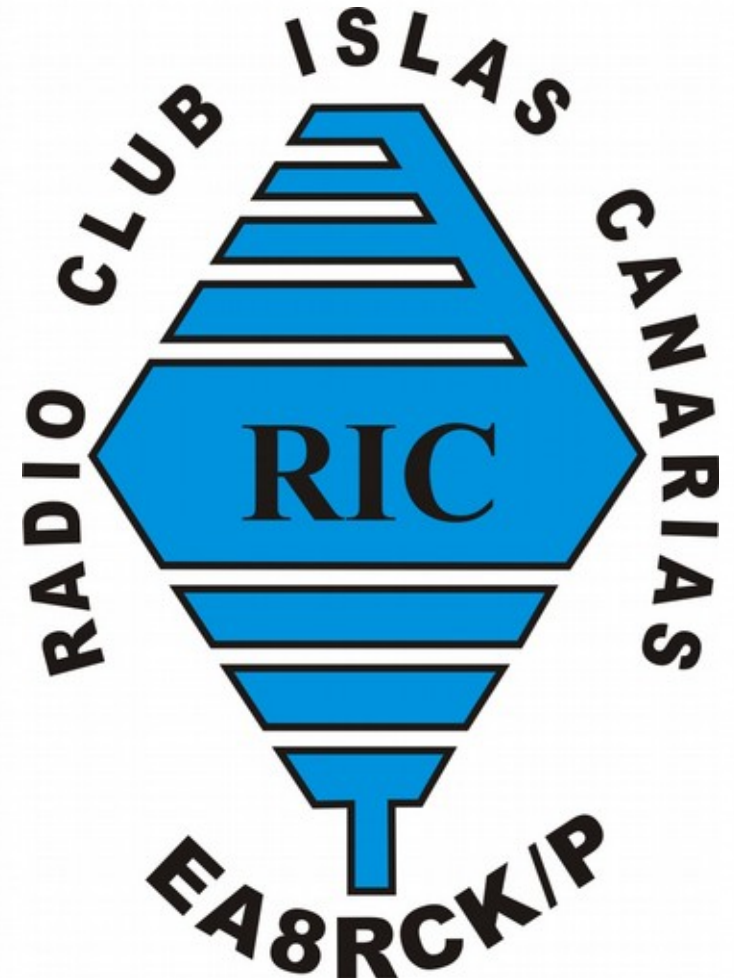
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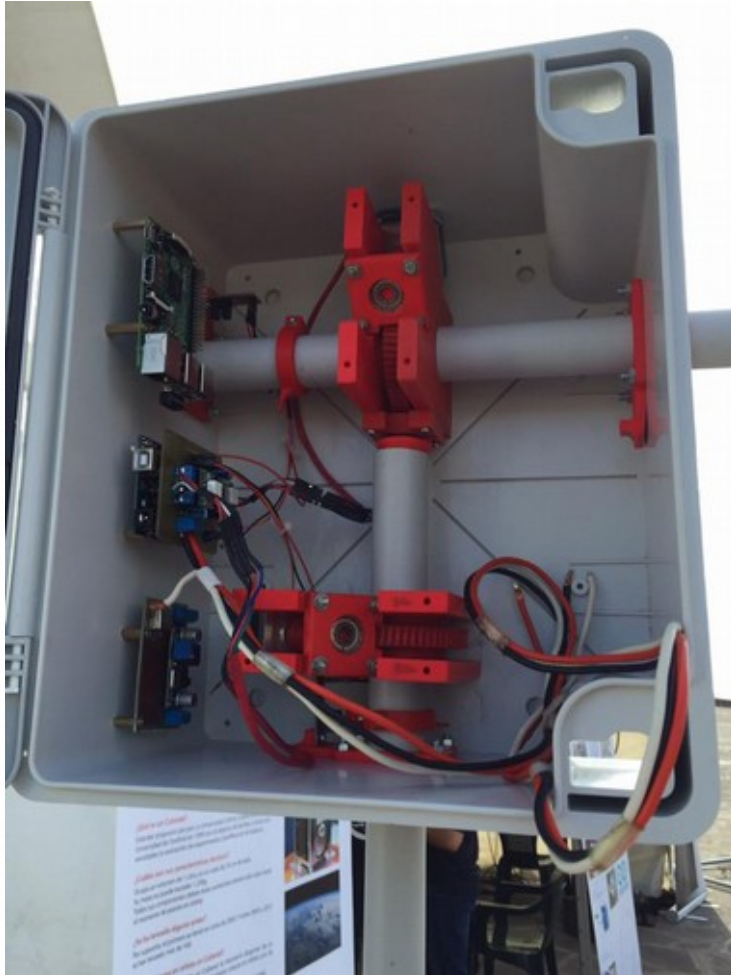


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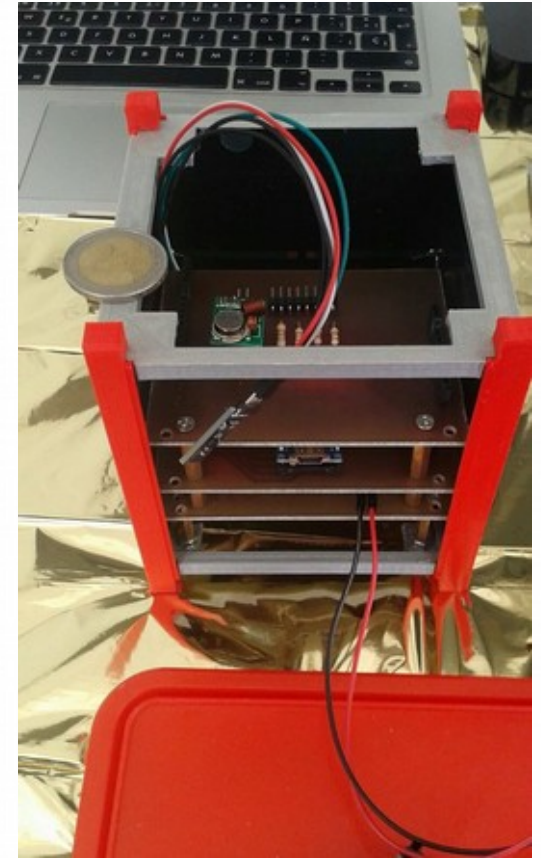
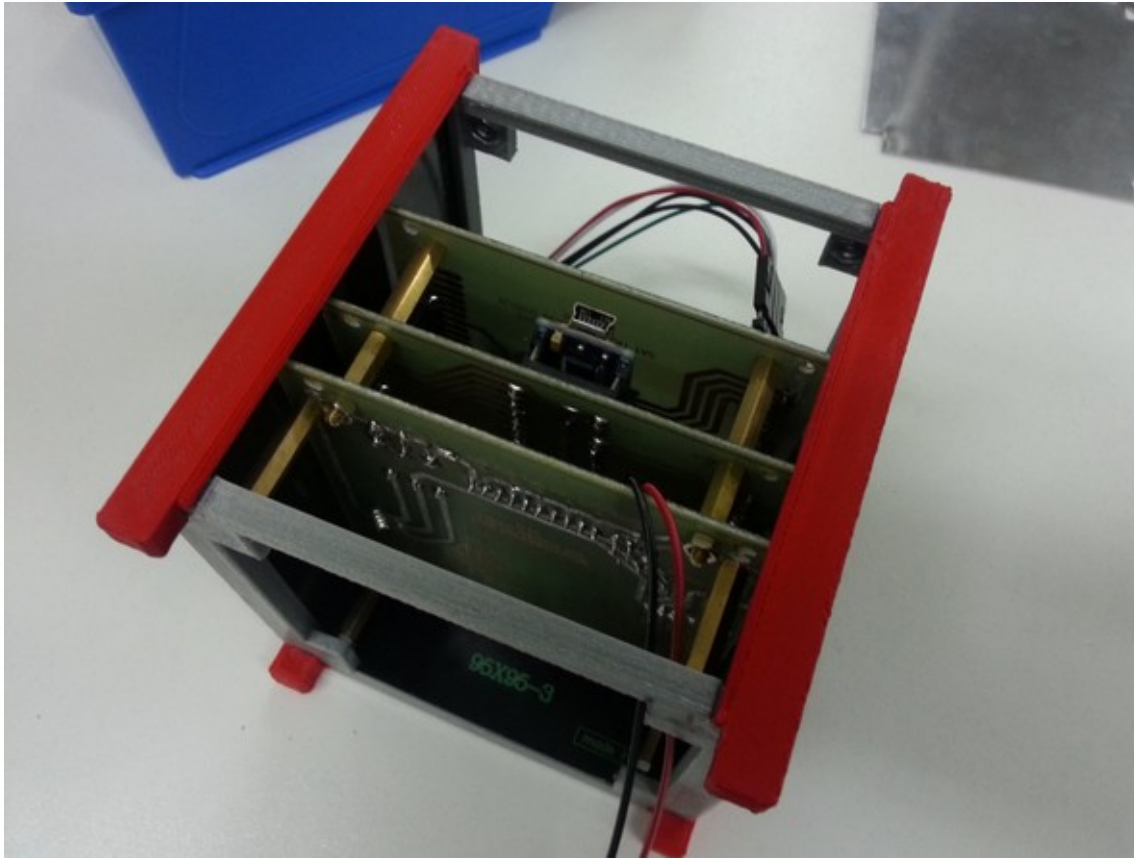
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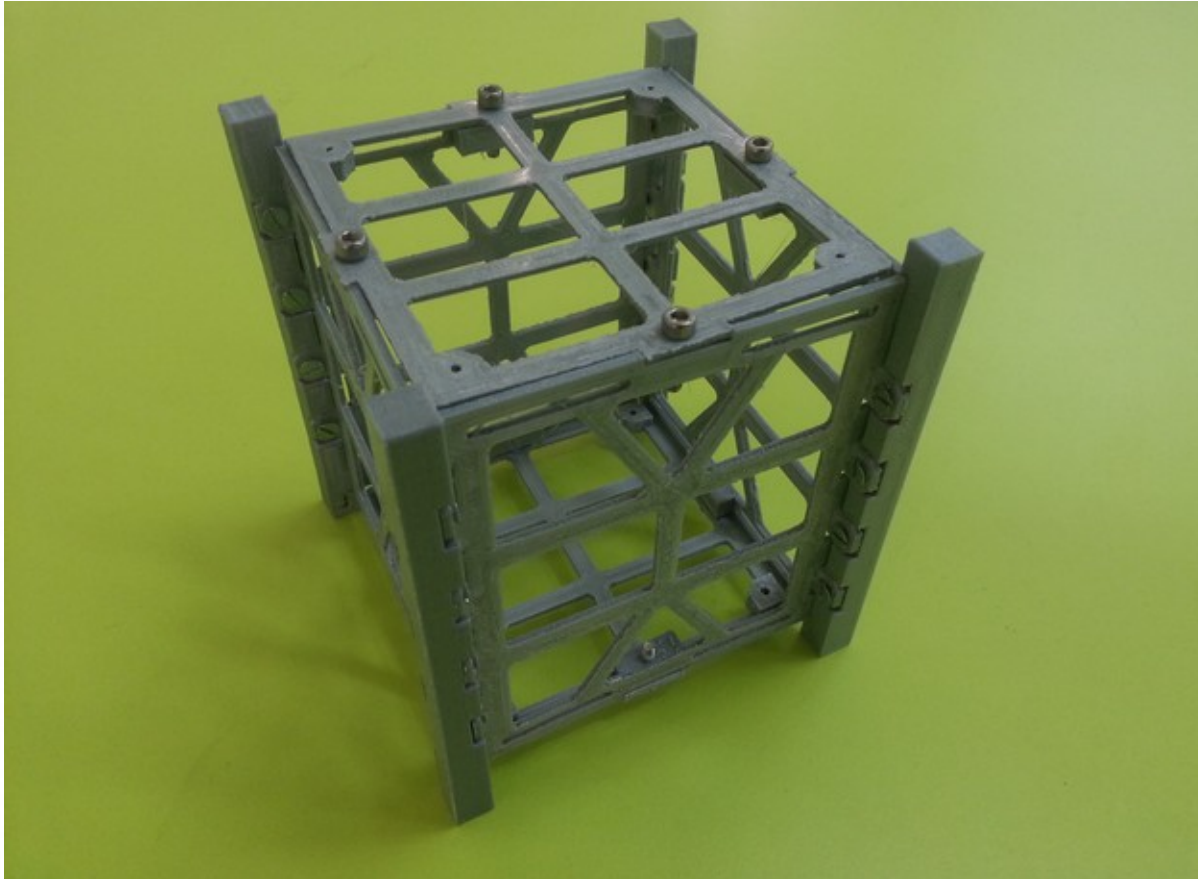
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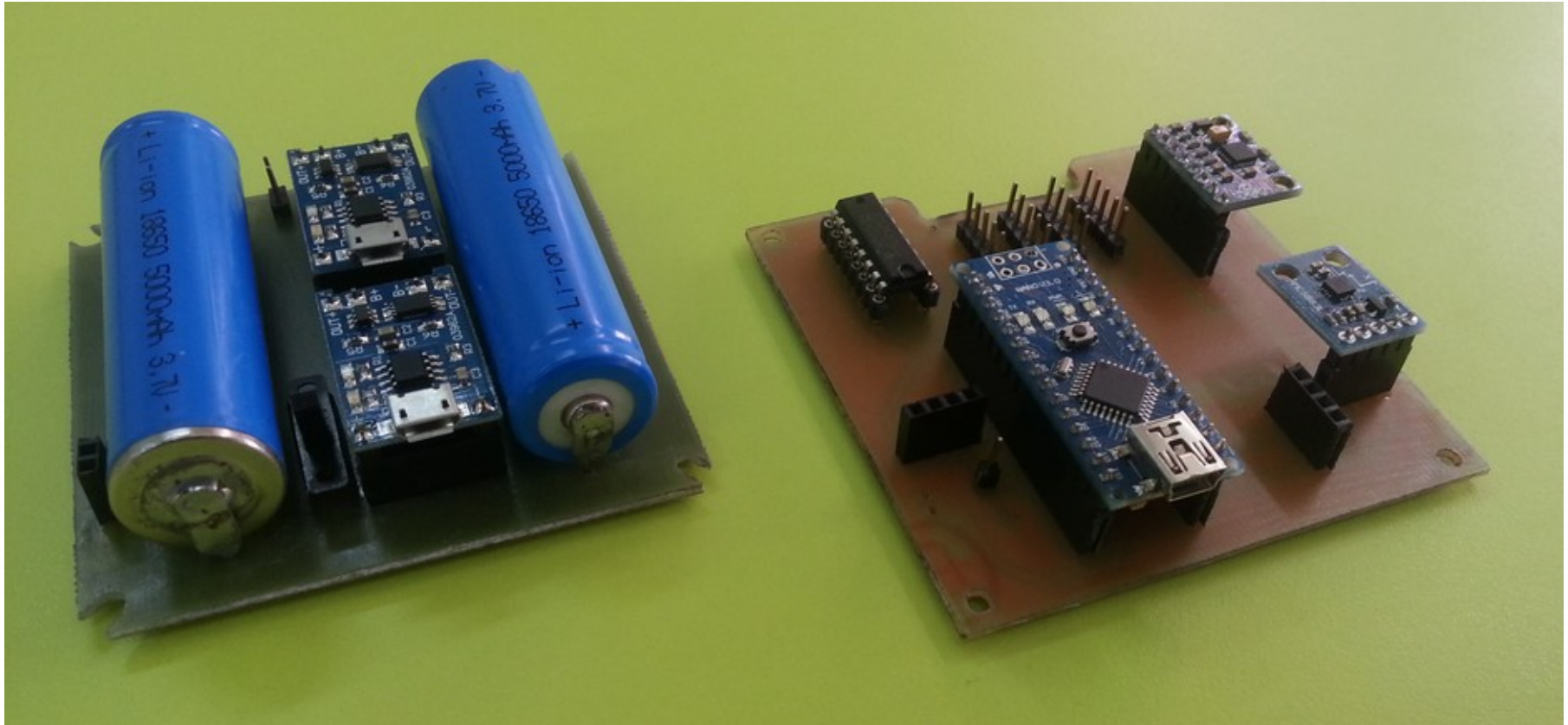




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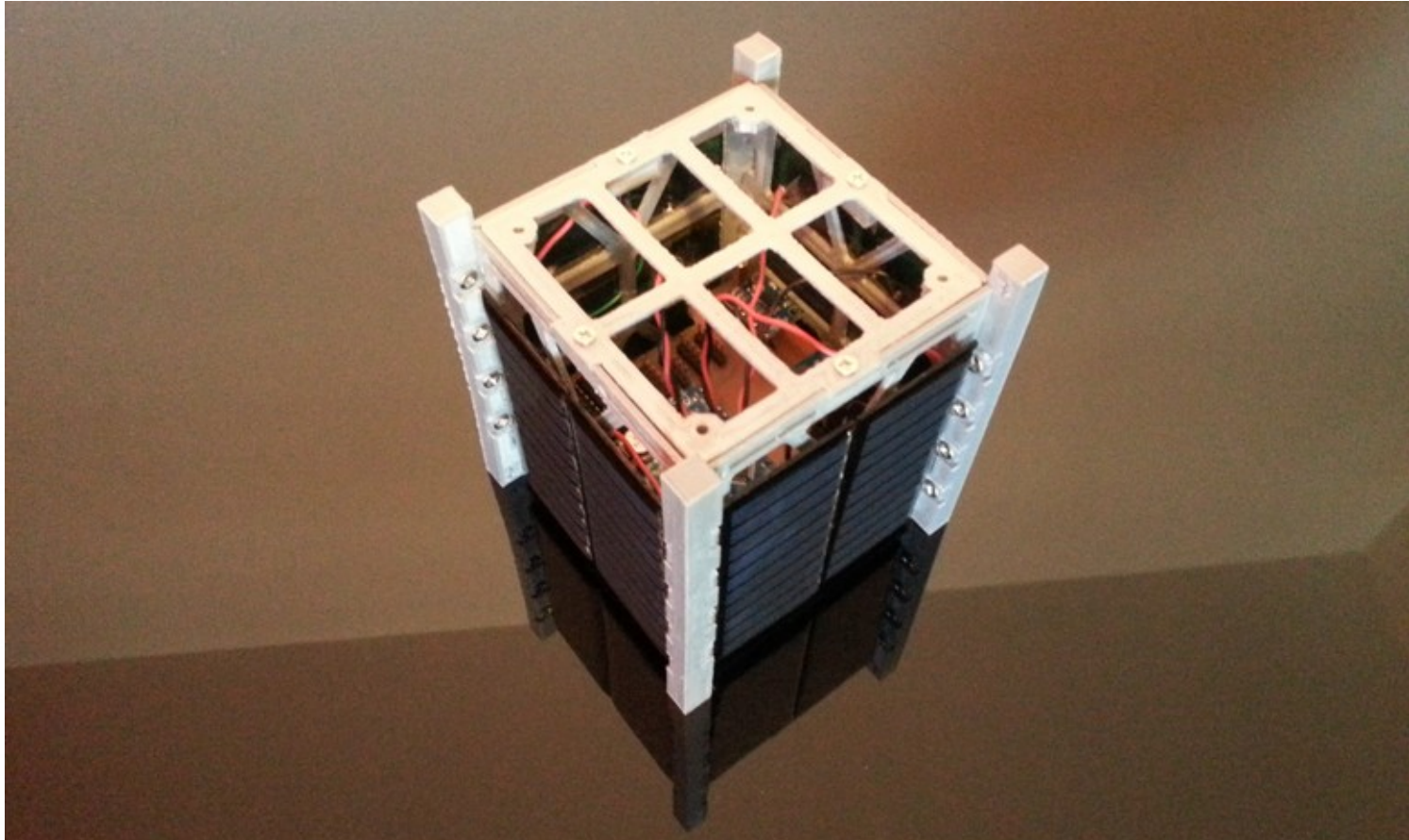
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## COMMUNICATION



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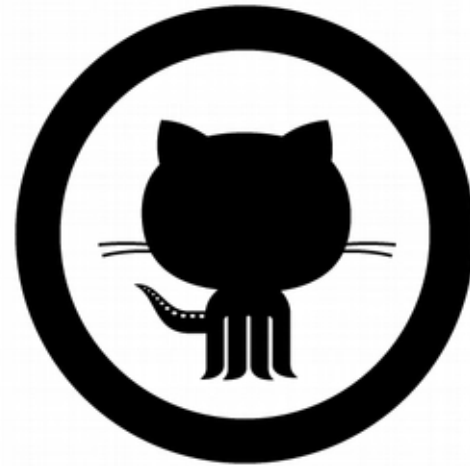
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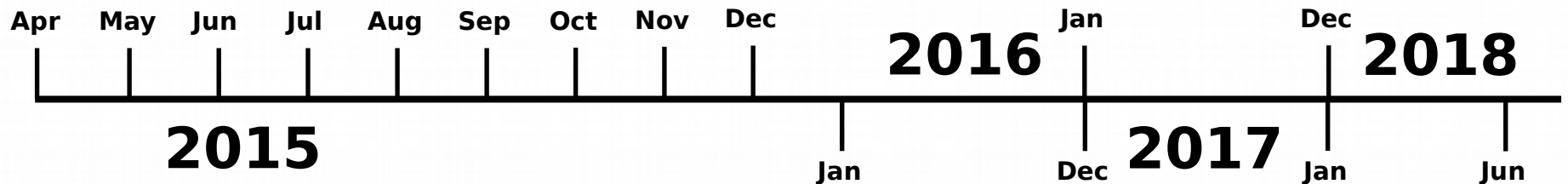
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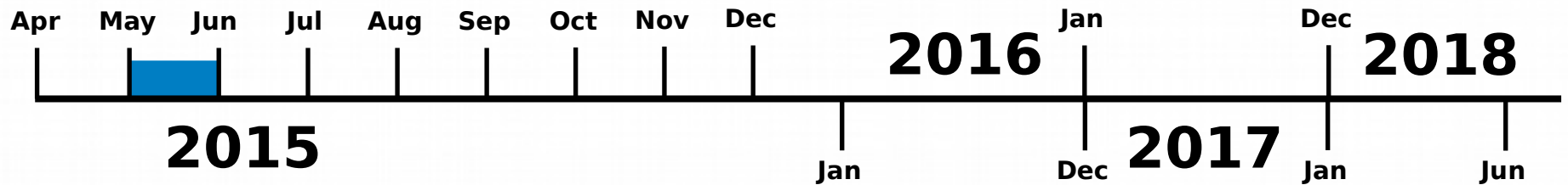
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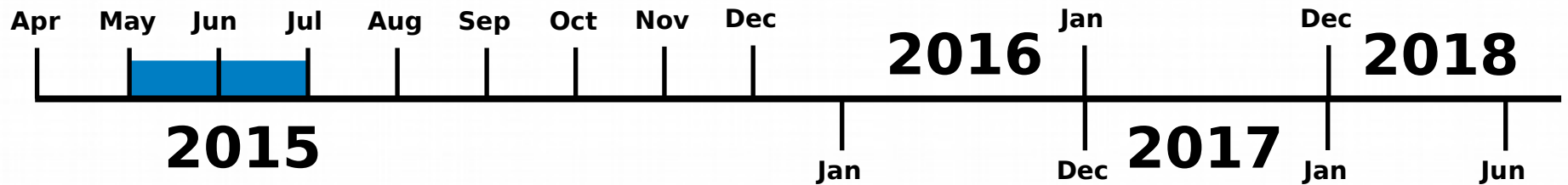
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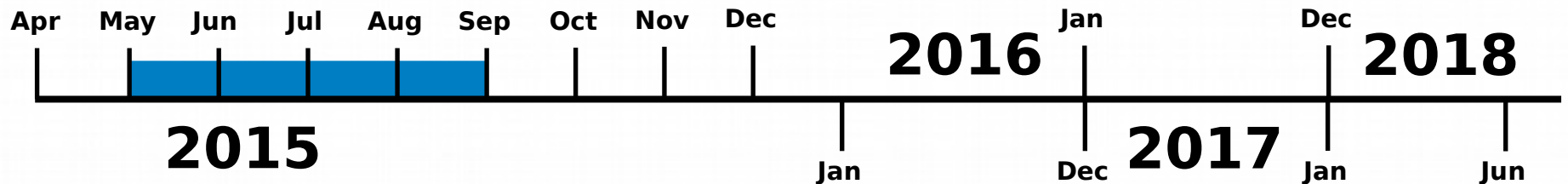
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## Satellite Tracker

*First systems development*



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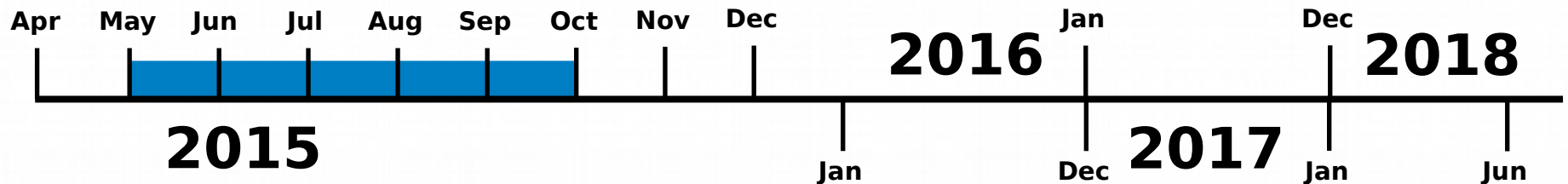
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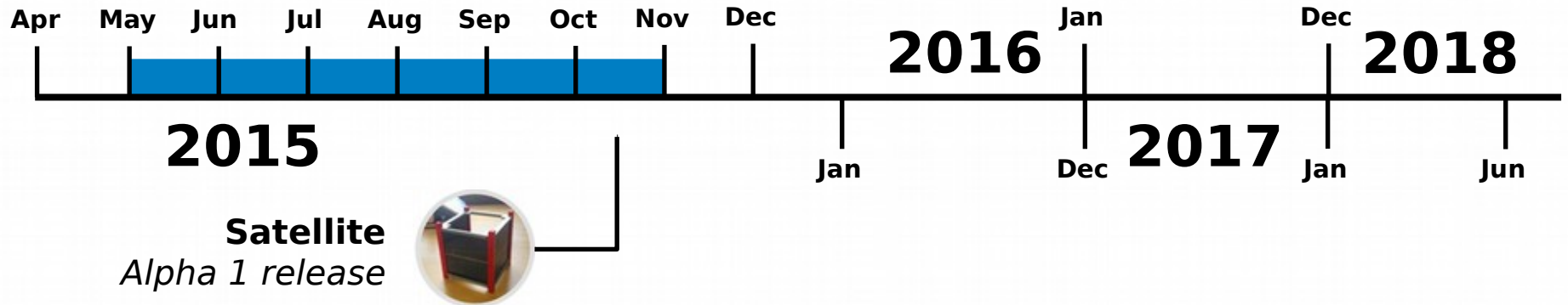
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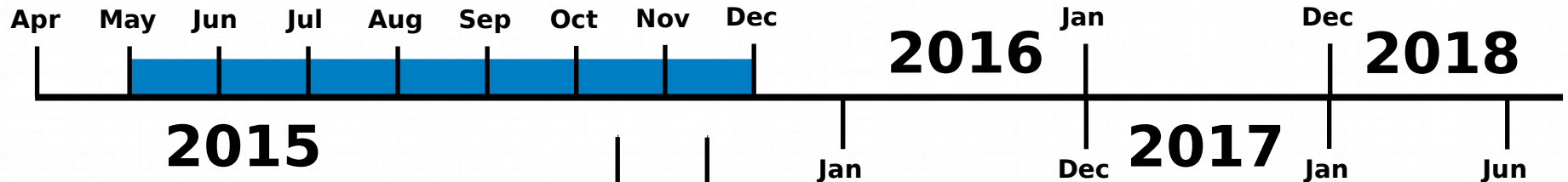
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## Canary Islands Science Weeks



Phase #1 - **Project definition and first developments.**



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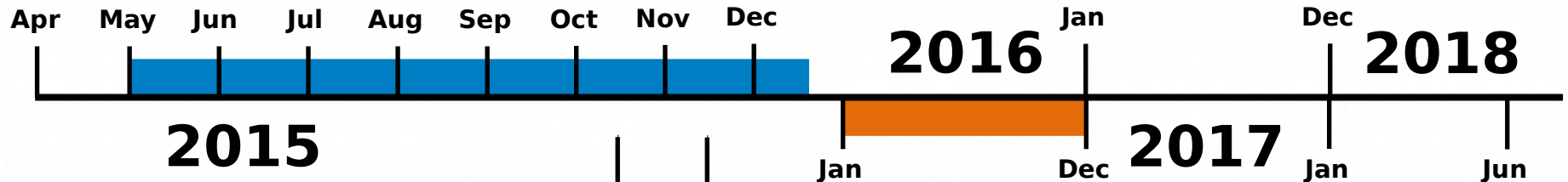
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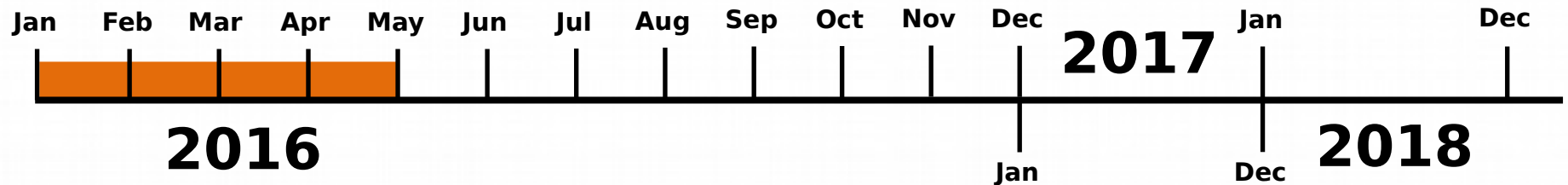
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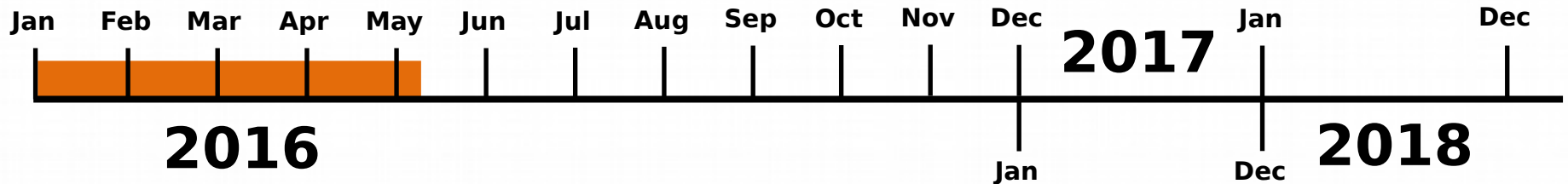
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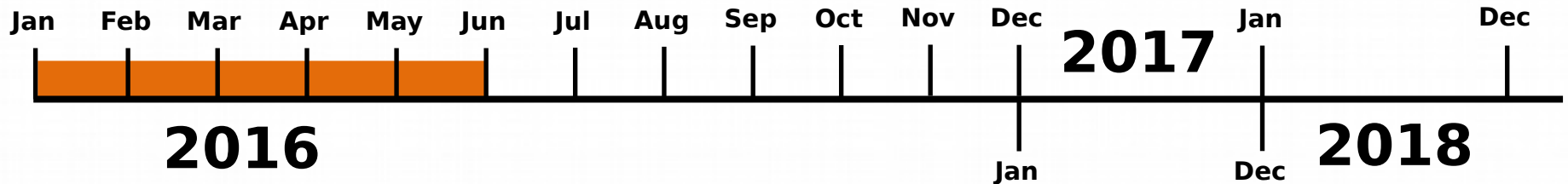
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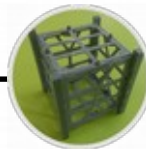
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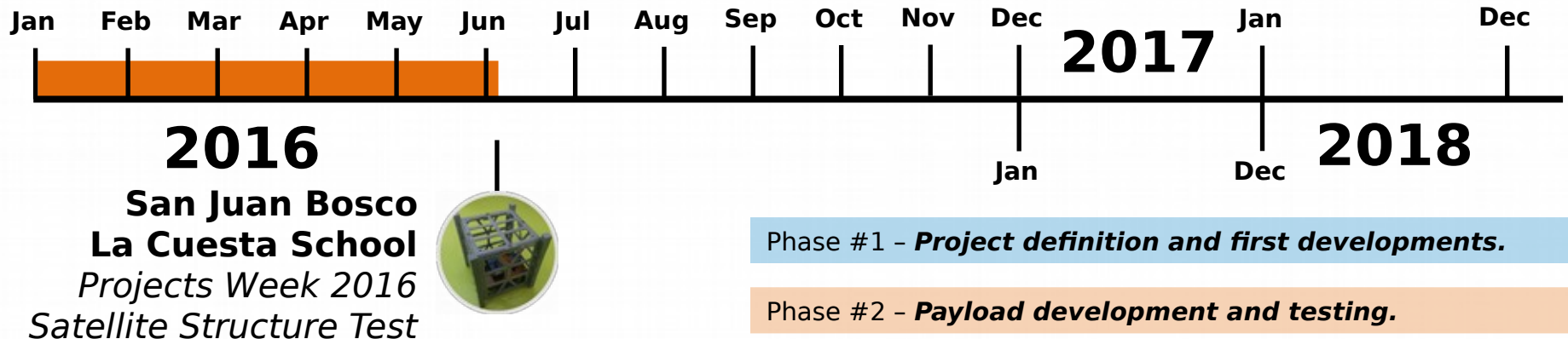
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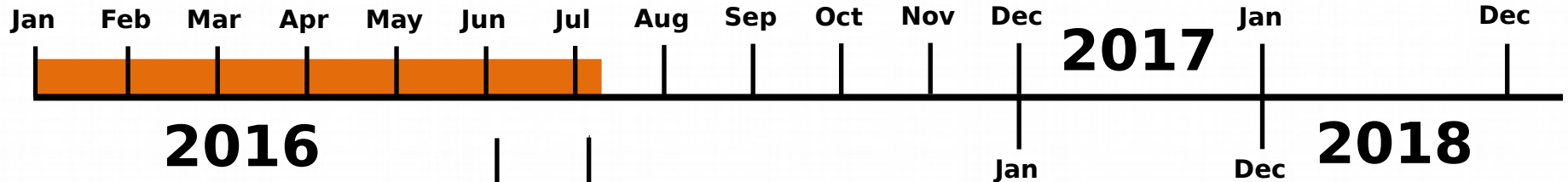
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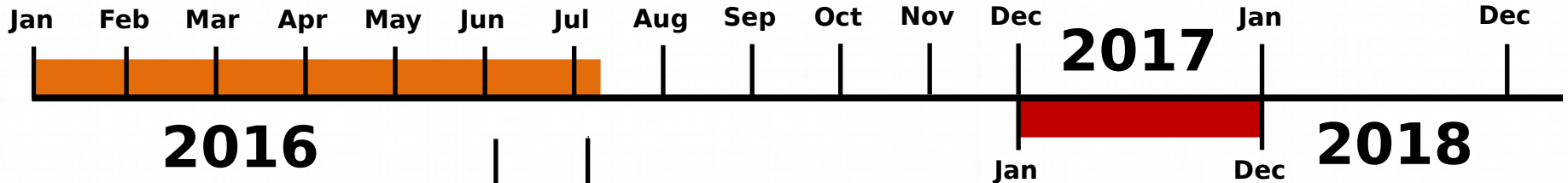
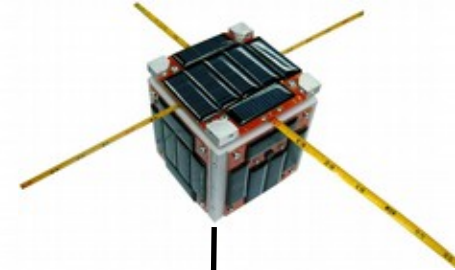
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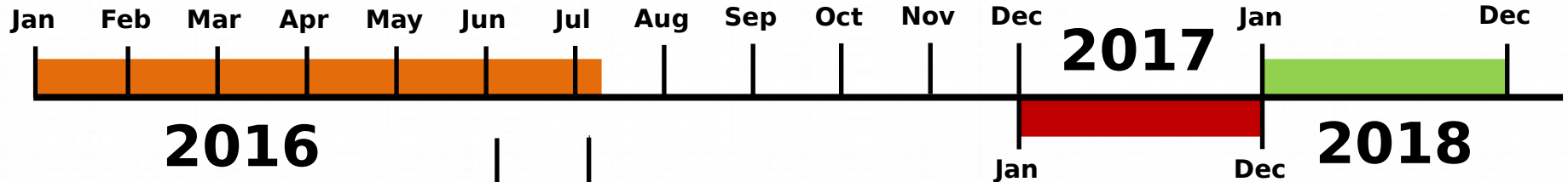
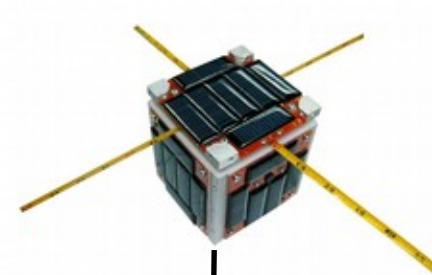
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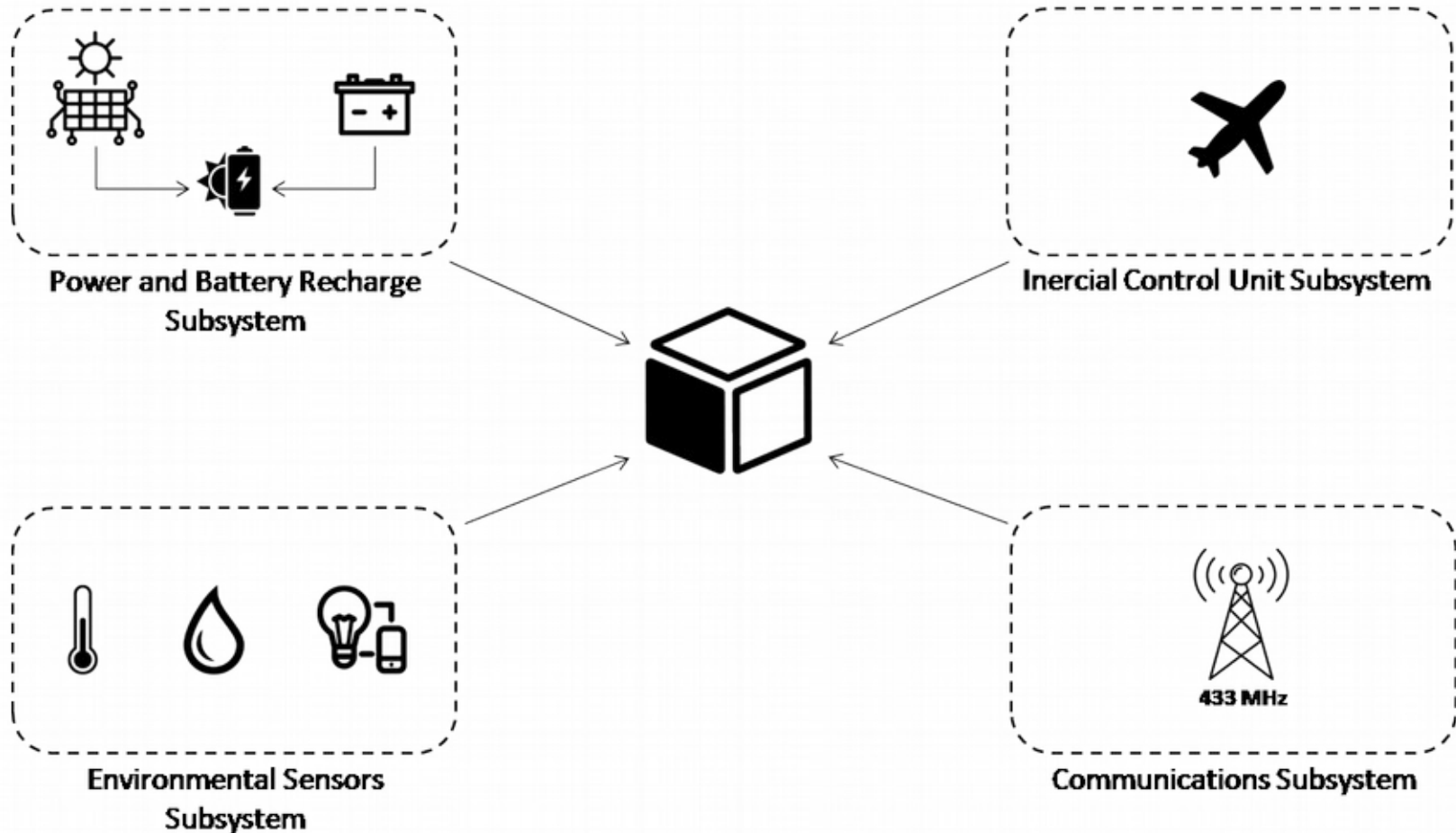


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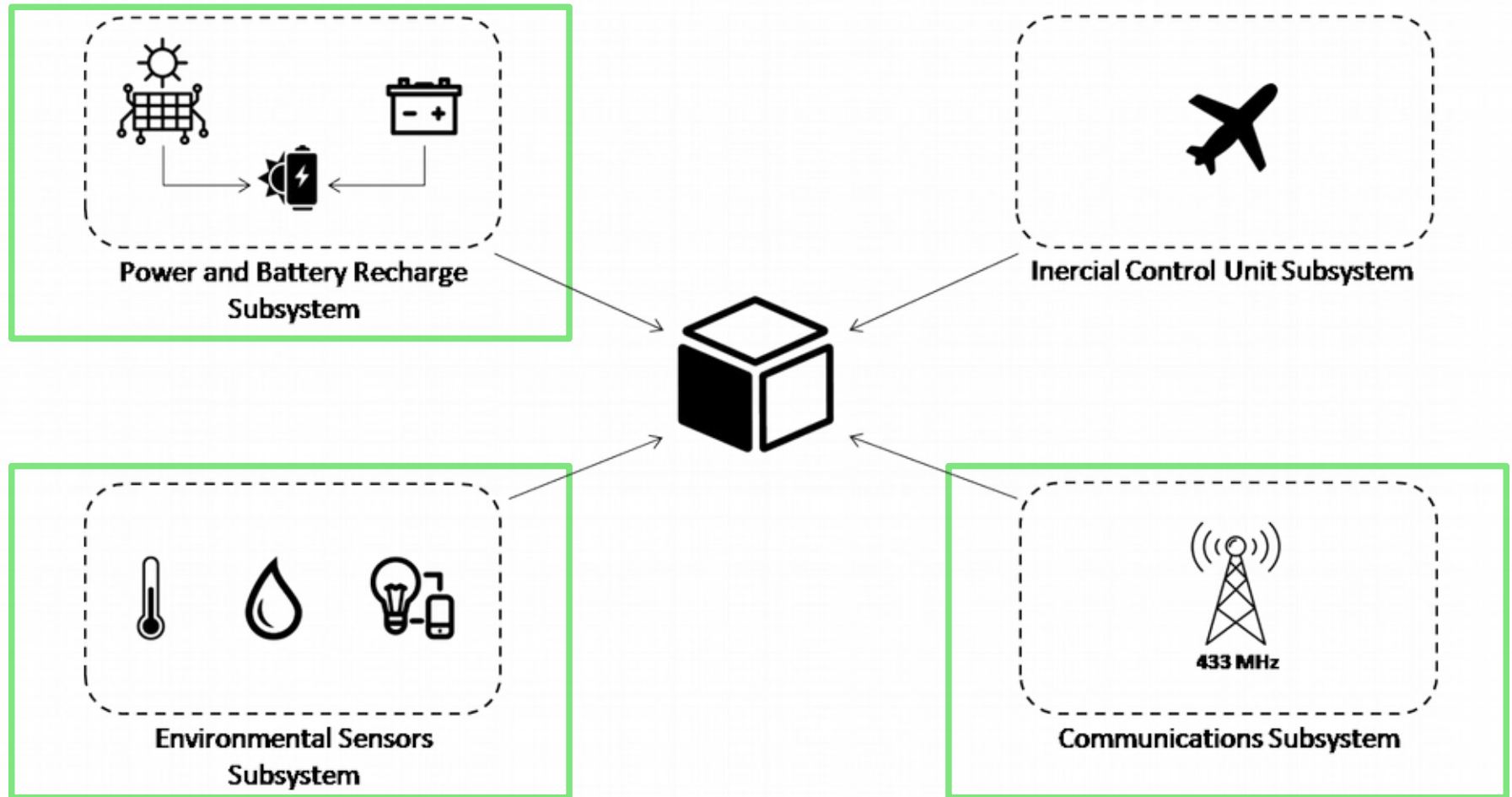
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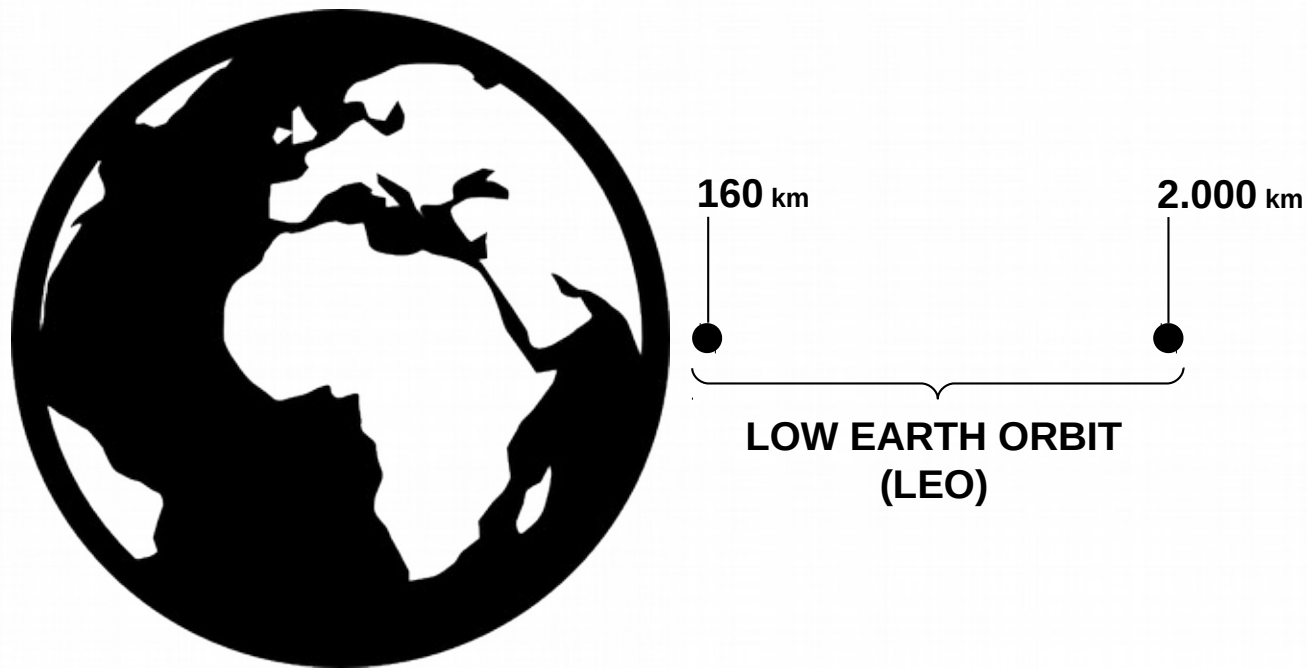
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# SATELLITES' ORBITS AND POSITIONING

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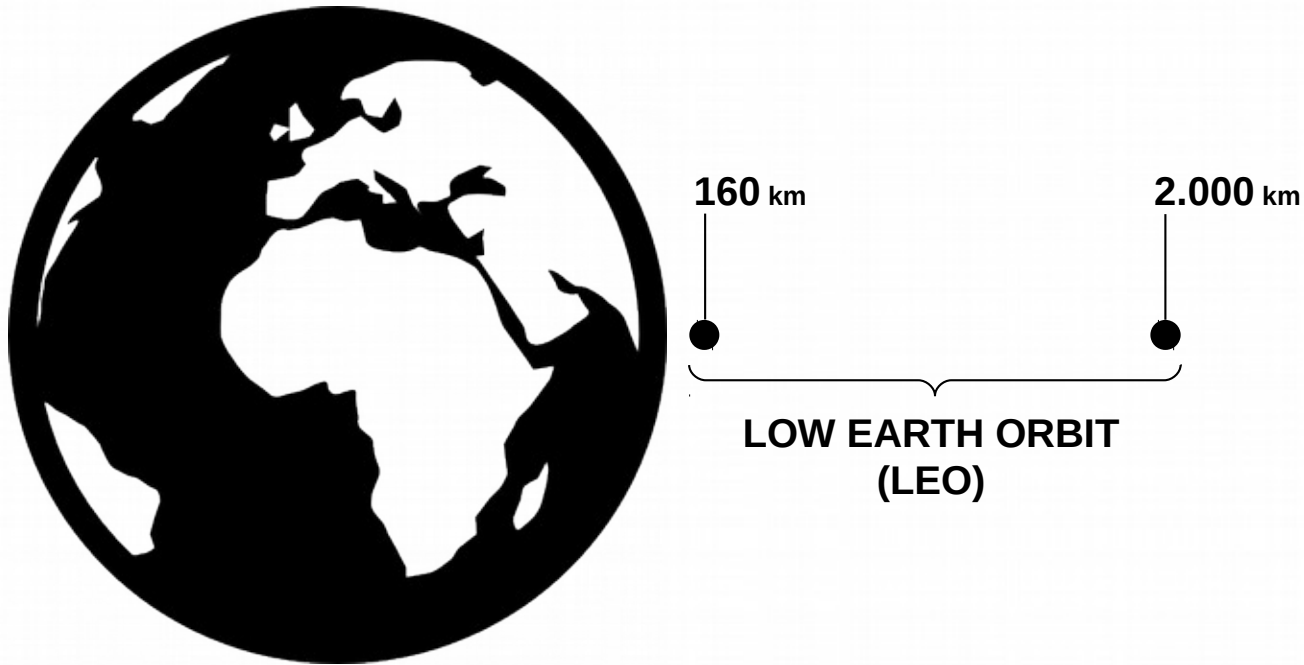
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### LOW EARTH ORBIT DATA:

Average speed:	7,8km/s (28.080km/h)
Average orbit time:	99 minutes
Usual deployments:	Scientific missions

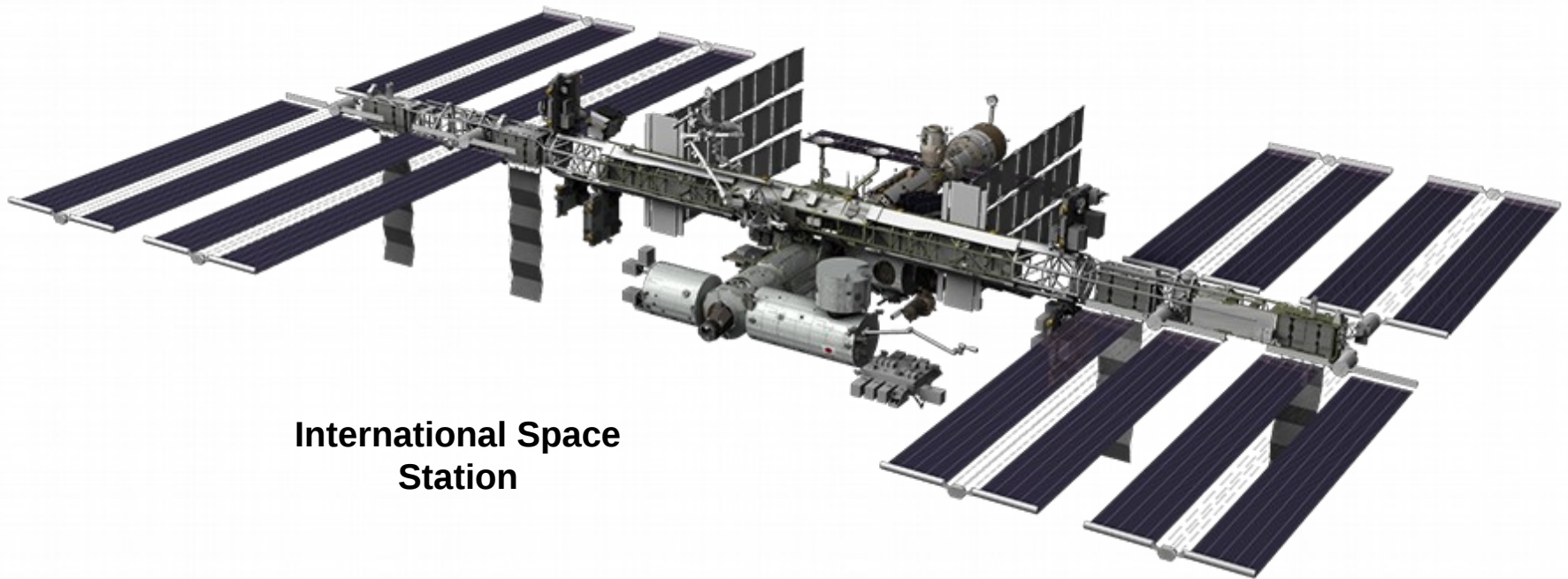


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Missions deployed at LEO orbit



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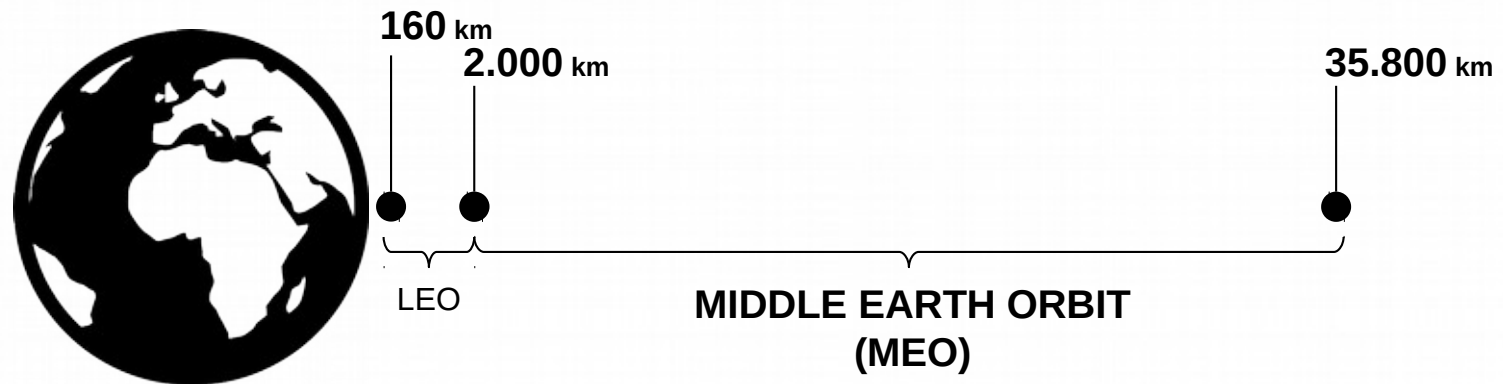


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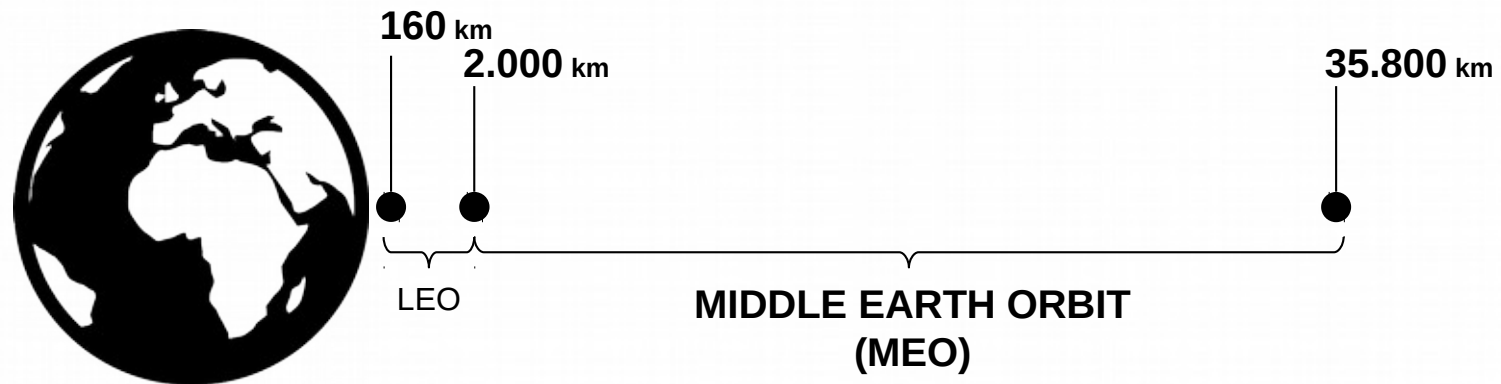


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### MIDDLE EARTH ORBIT DATA:

Average speed: **3,9km/s (14.040km/h)**

Average orbit time: **12 - 24 hours**

Usual deployments: **GPS (20.200km) and special use for regions tracking**



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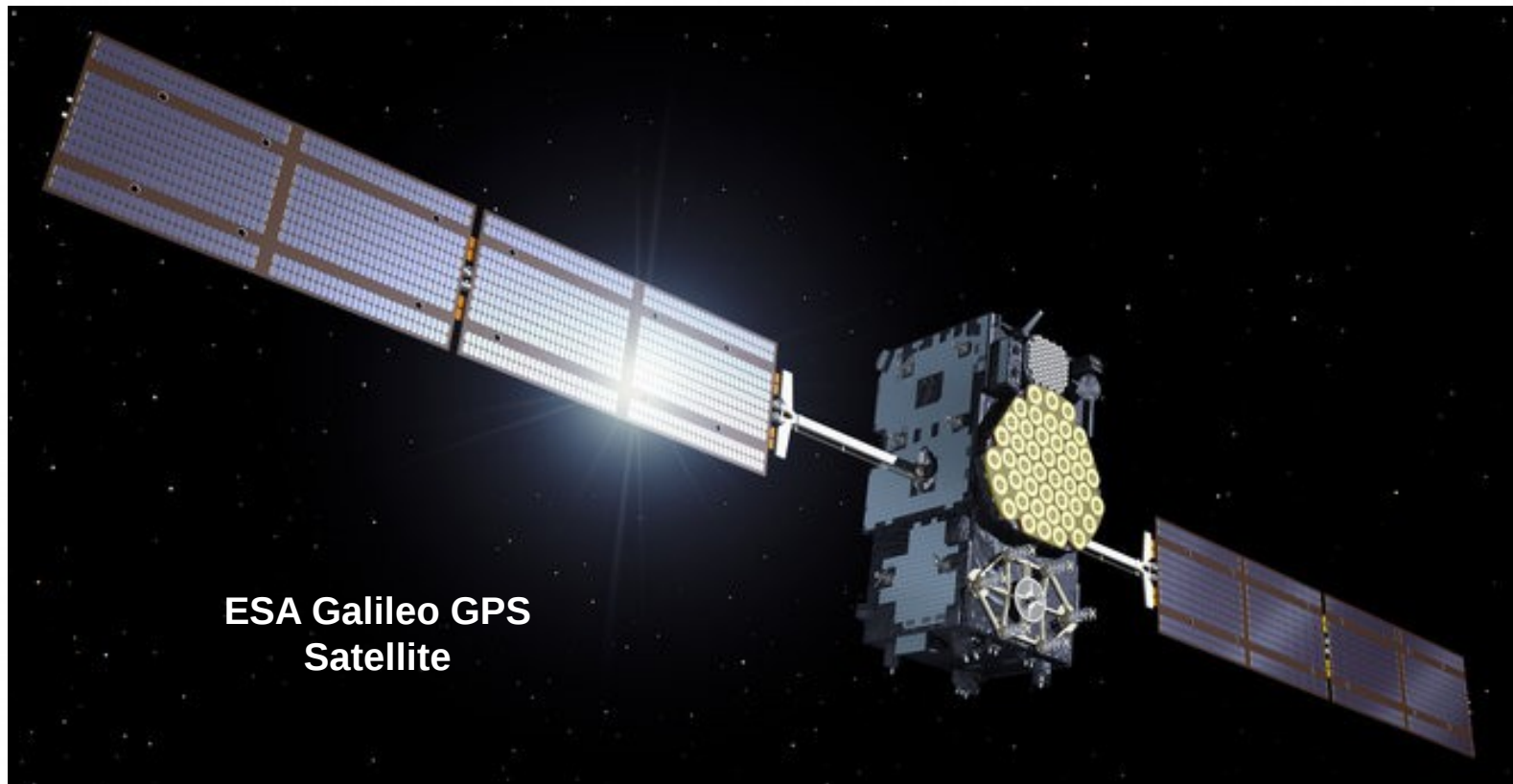
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ESA Galileo GPS  
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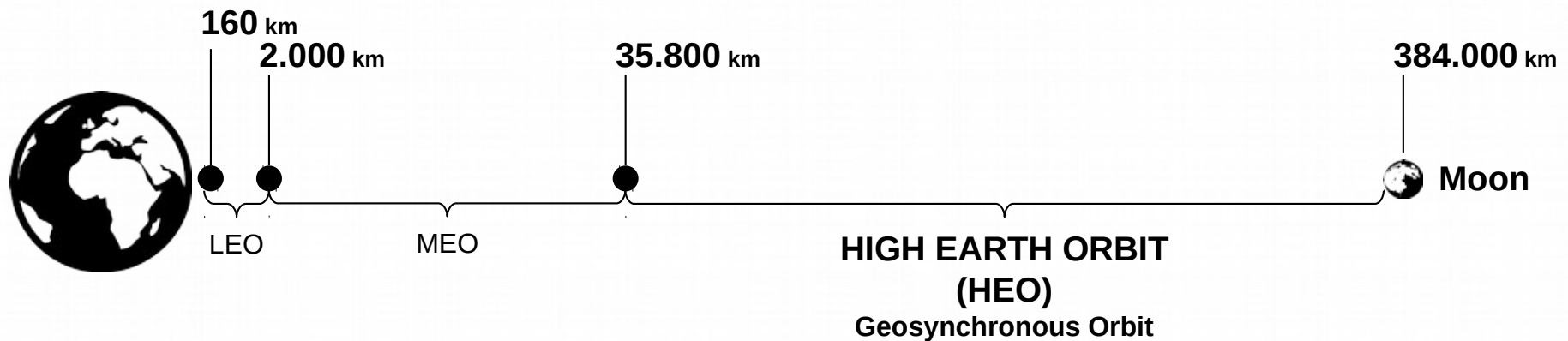


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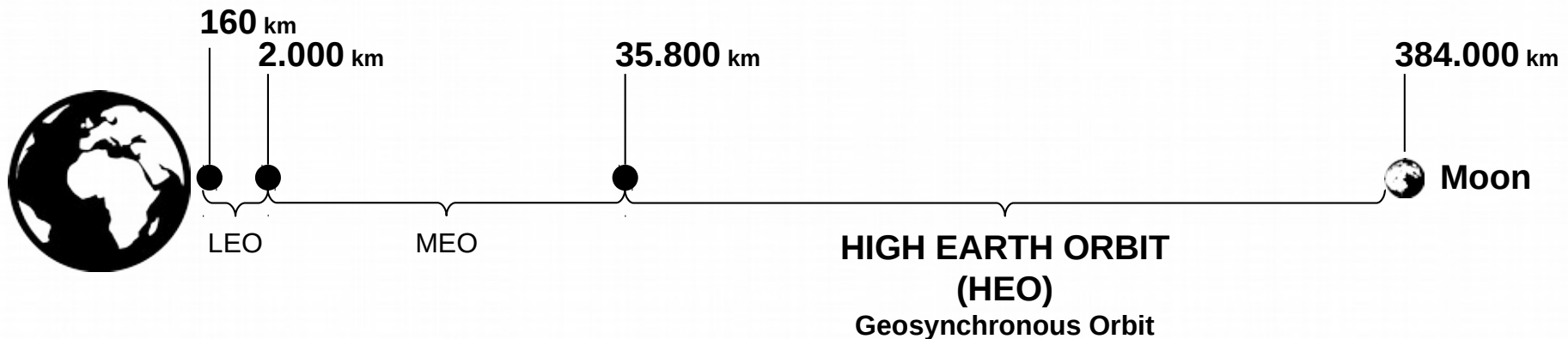
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### MIDDLE EARTH ORBIT DATA:

Average speed:	3,08km/s (11.088km/h) = Earth's rotation speed
Average orbit time:	Years (geostationary orbit)
Usual deployments:	Communications and weather stellites



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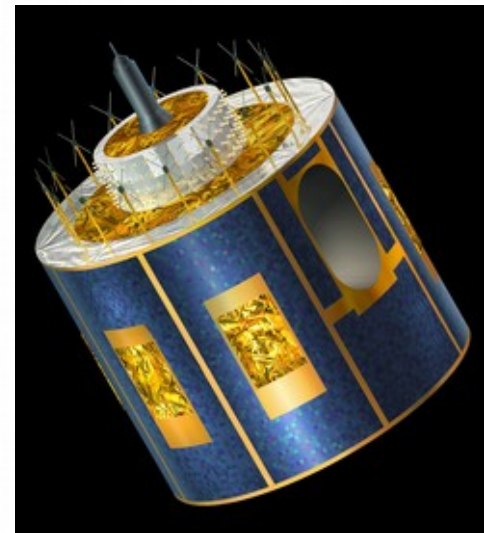
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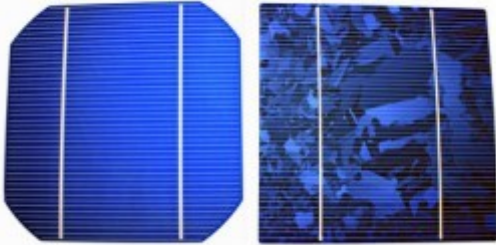
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# POWER AND BATTERY RECHARGE SUBSYSTEM

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## Facts



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50 – 60mA/Side

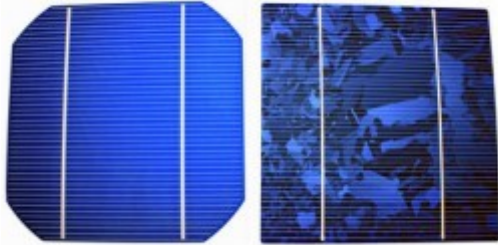


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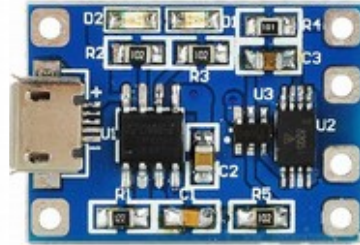


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## Fails



2 x TP4056  
4,1V @ 1A  
Battery Charger

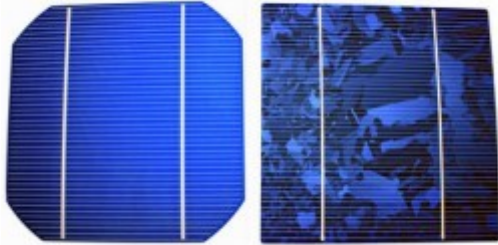


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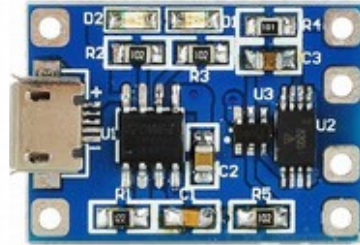


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2 x 18650 Batt type  
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4,1V @ 1A  
Battery Charger

## Researching



MAX1873REEE  
Up to 4 Li+ Batts  
-40°C to +85°C





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# **Environmental Sensors Subsystem**



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Multiplexing SDA wire.



Dual CMOS 4-channel analog  
multiplexer, demultiplexer.



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# Communications Subsystem



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Error control by parity bits.

Antenna deployment system.



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# Budget

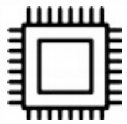


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# TOTAL RESOURCES INVESTED UP TODAY

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Electronics

190,00 €



3D Printing

75,00 €



Mechanical components

25,00 €



Other materials

30,00 €

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**TOTAL AMOUNT**

**320,00 €**



Total spent time (aprox.)

1.790 h

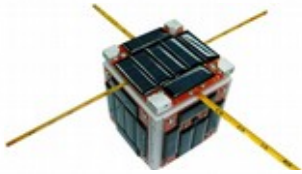


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# DEPLOYMENT BUDGET

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500,00 €



10.000,00 €



60.000,00 €

Unexpected expenses

2.500,00 €

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**TOTAL AMOUNT**

**73.000,00 €**



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## 50\$ Sat



Built by three  
amateur radio  
operators.



7 months in orbit.



Dniepper russian  
rocket.



[www.50dollarsat.info](http://www.50dollarsat.info)



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# REAL DEPLOYED CUBSAT BASED PROJECTS ON

## PicoDragon



Built by VNSC

(Vietnam National Satellite Center)



In orbit during 4 months.



ISS



<https://vnsc.org.vn/en/projects/profile-of-the-picodragon-satellite/>



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# REAL DEPLOYED CUBSAT BASED PROJECTS ON

## PhoneSat Series



Built by NASA.



Actually in orbit.



It's payload is an android phone.



Falcon 9.



[phonesat.org](http://phonesat.org)



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# **A satellite with homespun electronics**

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