

# SatNOGS

a global open source ground station network

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# Hello

- We are a group of satellite enthusiasts, makers and developers based in various hackerspaces around the world
- Core team in Athens, Greece
- Started February 2014
- A Libre Space Foundation project

# What is SatNOGS?

- A full ground station stack
- A network (server-client) model for coordinating ground station jobs
- An extensible platform that is focused on modularity
- A global open source community developing the above

# Another Ground Station (network)?

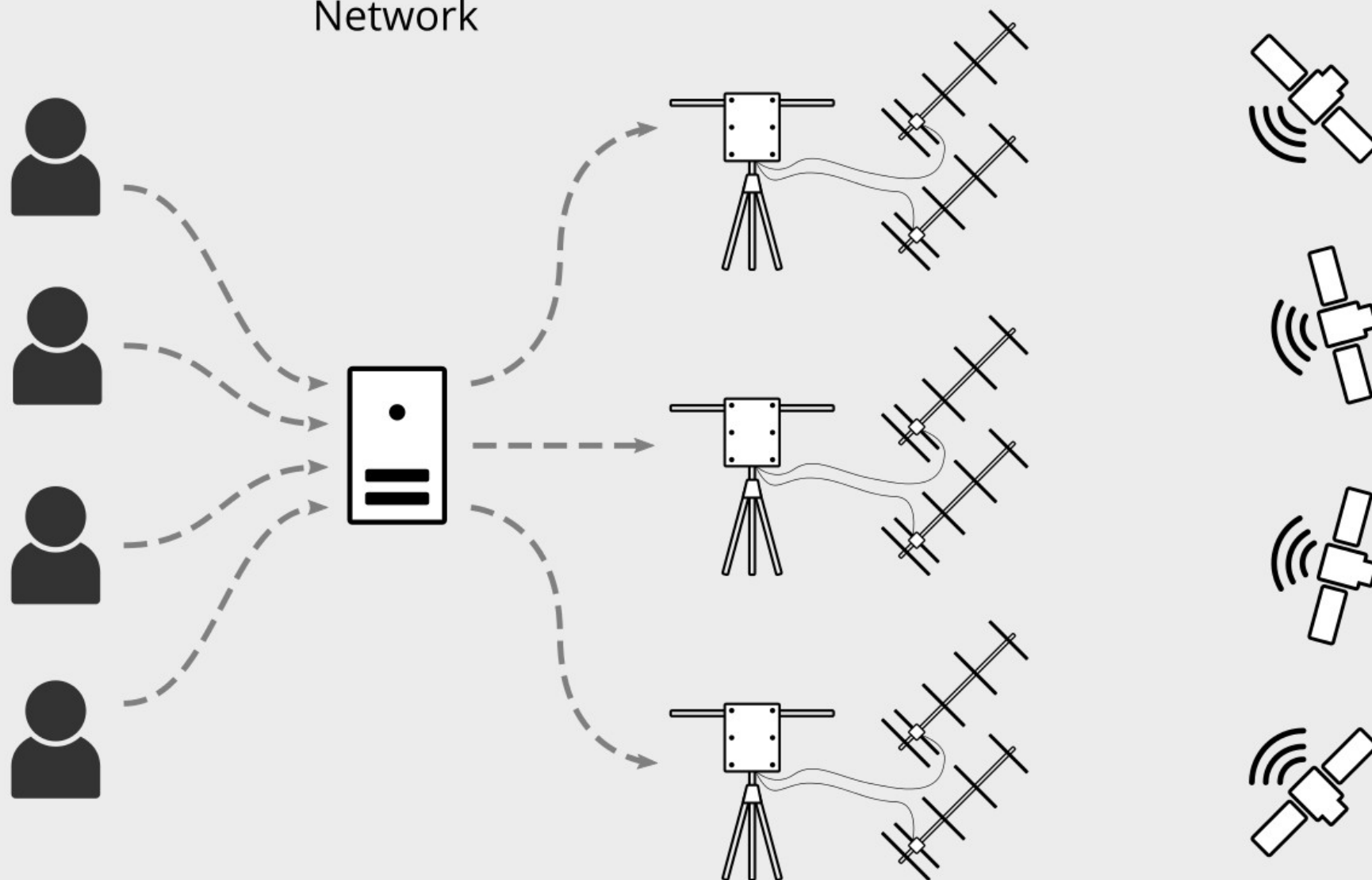
- No complete open source stack
- No community (ecosystem) around it
- Existing solutions either too expensive or too undocumented (and closed)
- Other network approaches abandoned

Users

Global  
Management  
Network

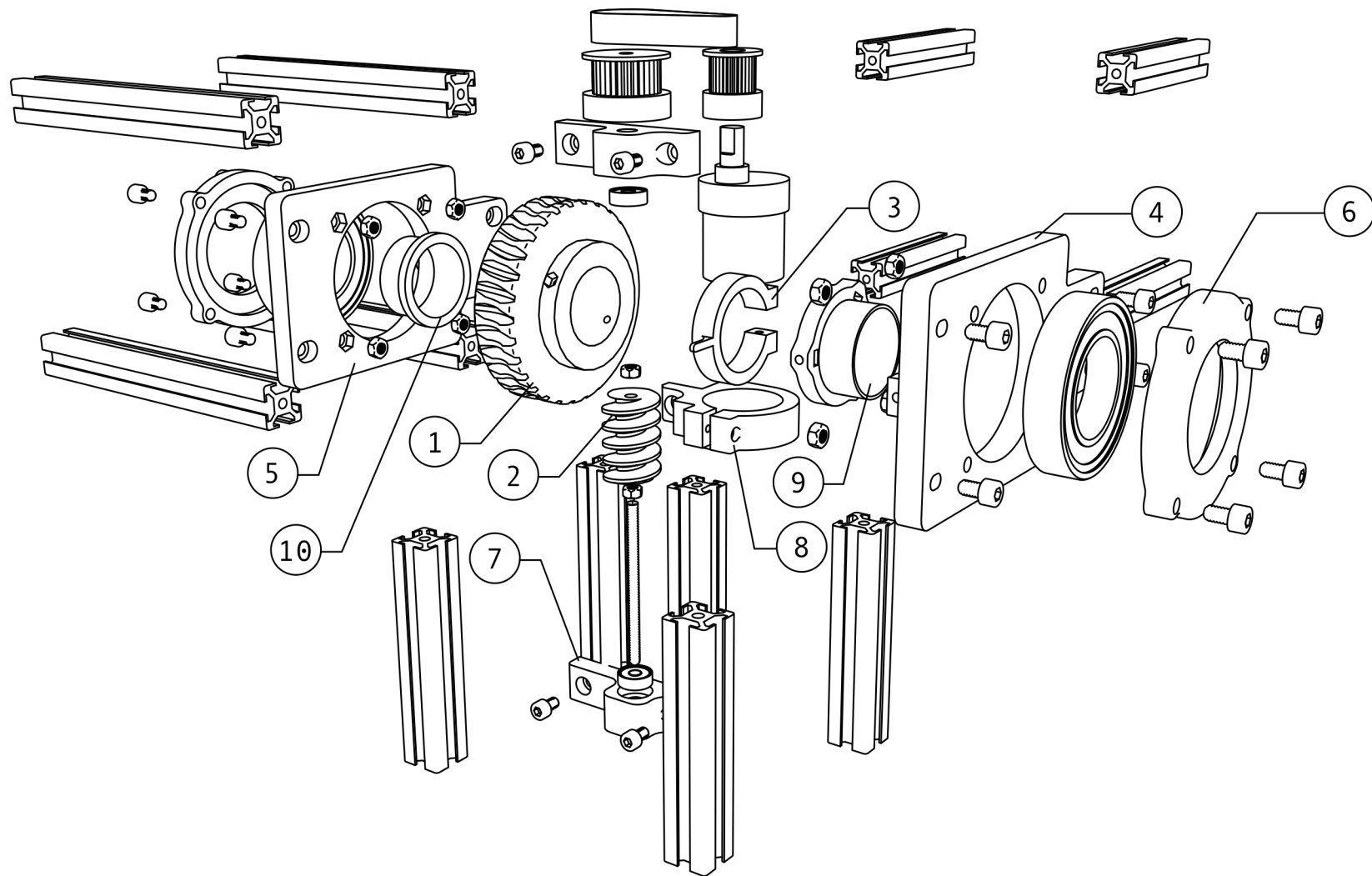
Ground Stations

Satellites

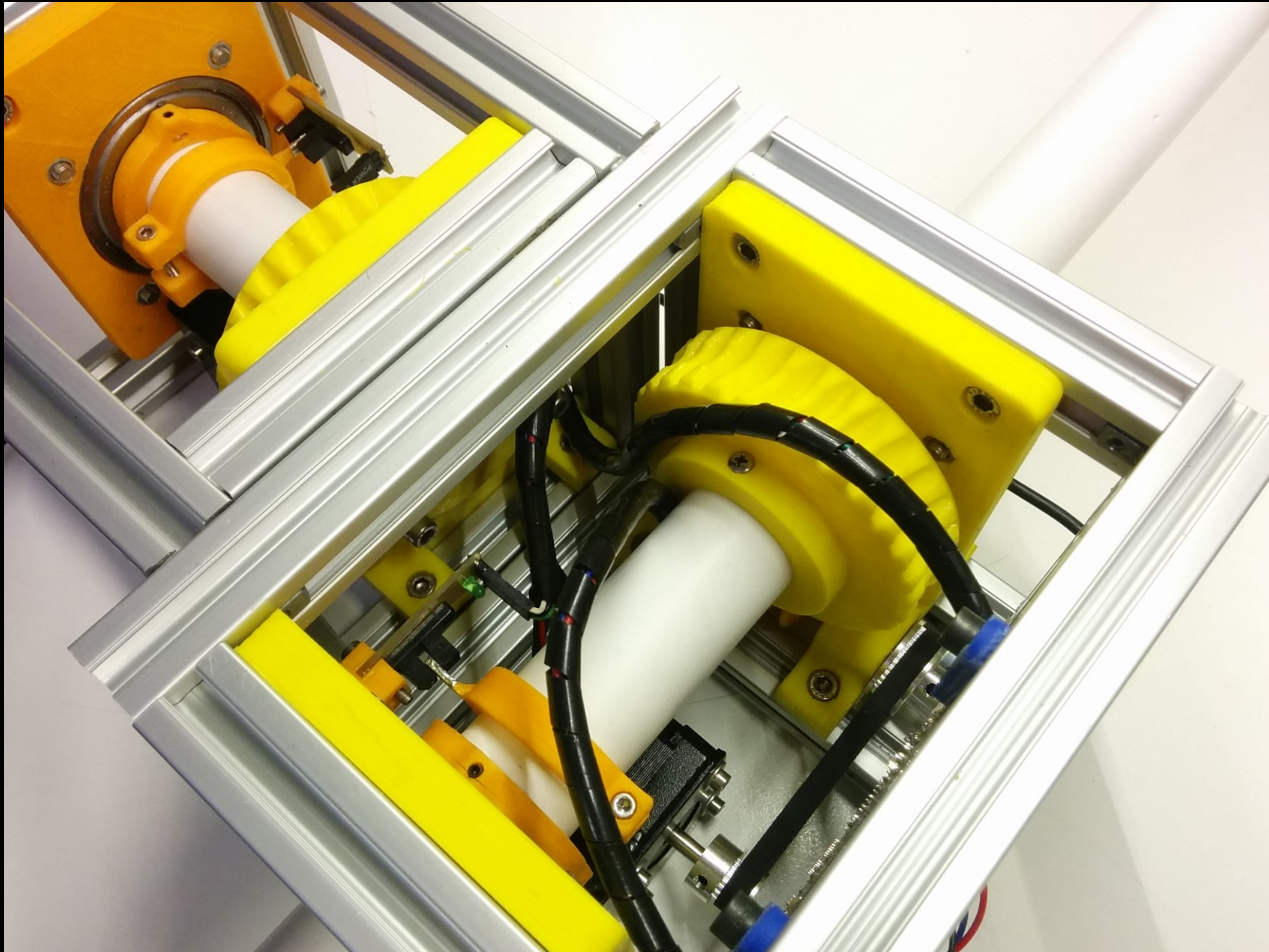


# Rotator

- Fully open source and built from readily available materials
- 3 iterations so far
- 2 configurations available (X-Y or Alt/Az)
- Specifications
  - 20 deg/sec
  - Holding torque 64Nm, Rated torque 10Nm











# Focus on modularity

- Rotator+RF controlled through HAMLIB
  - RigCtl & RotCtl
- Replace any part of the stack with COTS equipment
  - Antennas, LNAs, rig (radios), gnuradio supported SDRs, rotators, controllers

# SatNOGS client

- Two modes of operation:
  - Connected to Network
  - Single operator mode (local or remote)
- Python scheduler for polling and executing jobs
- Web interface for monitoring
- Works with most SDRs (gnuradio) and also facilitates pol-switching, antenna selection, decoding, and raw IQ recording
- Can run on embedded platforms, server or PC

## SatNOGS Client

Ground Station Client software

### Install and Contribute

To install `satNOGS` client, simply:

```
$ pip install satnogsclient
```

To get the latest development version:

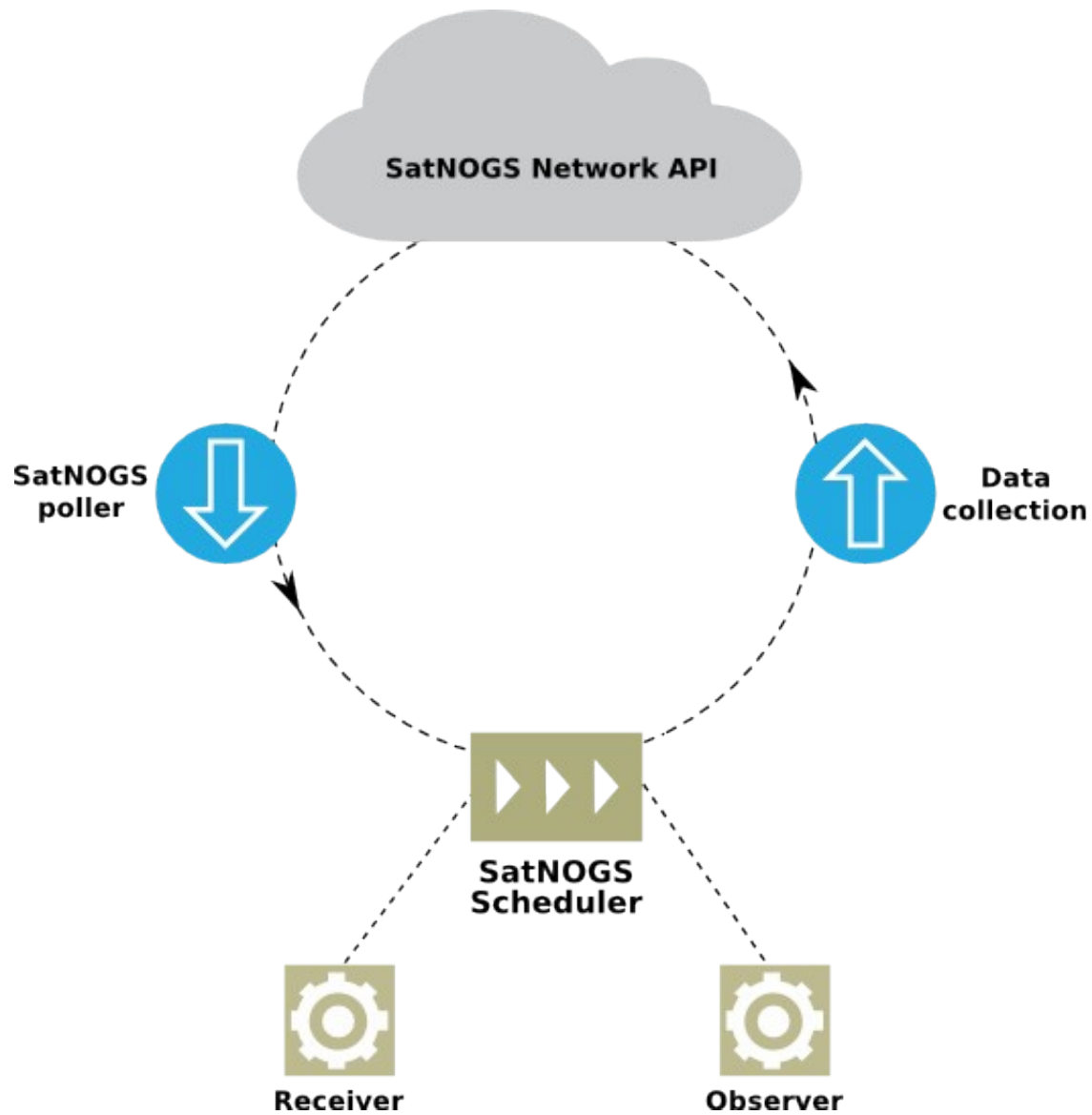
```
$ git clone https://github.com/satnogs/satnogs-client
$ cd satnogs-client
$ python setup.py build
$ python setup.py install
```

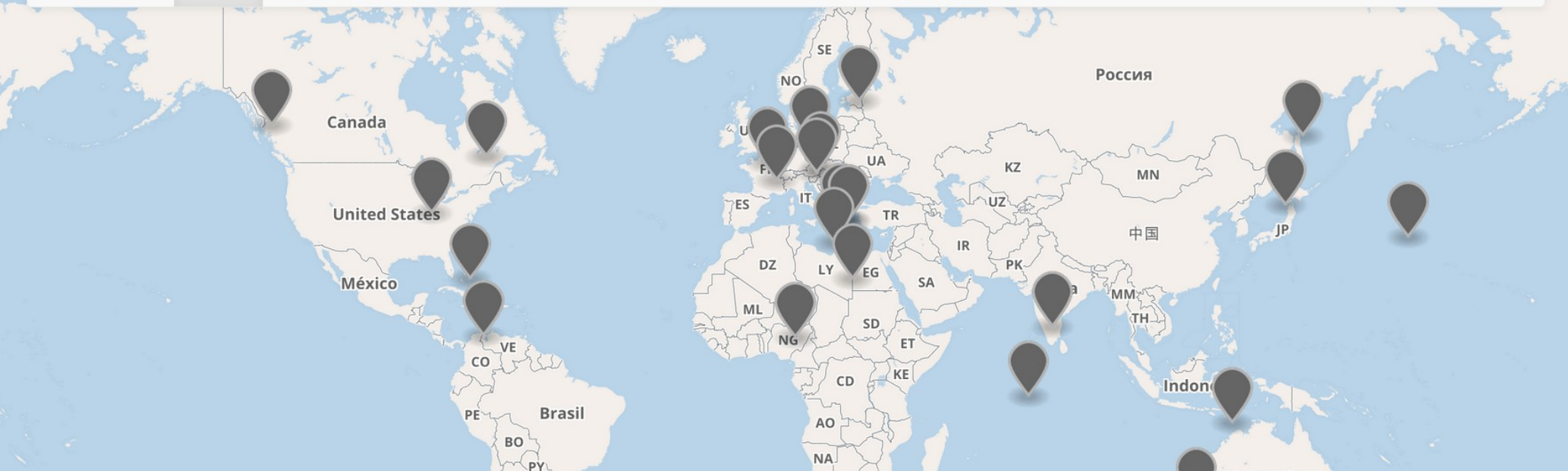
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## Featured Ground Station



## Hackerspace.gr 1

Owner

John Giannelos

Coordinates

23.73°, 38.02°

Antennas

UHF yagi

## Latest Observations

## Scheduled Observations

ID	Satellite	Frequency	Encoding	Timeframe	Observer
221	YUBILEINY (RS-30)	435.315 MHz	-	2015-09-01 20:39:00 2015-09-01 21:04:00	Robert OE6RKE
220	YUBILEINY (RS-30)	435.315 MHz	-	2015-09-01 18:34:00 2015-09-01 19:13:00	Pierros Papadeas
219	FUNCUBE-1 (AO-73)	145.815 MHz	-	2015-09-01 17:58:00 2015-09-01 18:15:00	Pierros Papadeas
218	SWISSCUBE	437.505 MHz	-	2015-09-01 11:57:00 2015-09-01 12:25:00	Pierros Papadeas
215	ISS (ZARYA)	145.800 MHz	FM	2015-09-01 11:37:00	Robert OE6RKE

# Scheduling a job

## New Observation

Satellite

39433 - HUMSAT-D

Start Time

2015-09-09 18:20

Transmitter

CW Beacon - 437.325 MHz -

End Time

2015-09-09 18:45

**IMPORTANT:** Timeframe is considered to be in UTC timezone.

Calculate Observation

## Calculated Timeline

16 - Hackerspace.gr 1

18 - oe6xug

26 - Tartu Test 1



16 - Hackerspace.gr 1

20:30

Schedule Observation

# Results are in

## Timeline

18 - oe6xug

16 - Hackerspace.gr 1

21:00

16 - Hackerspace.gr 1

## Data

Data payload #727 from 18 - oe6xug



Timeframe 2015-09-01 18:43:36 ~ 2015-09-01 19:06:23



Data

Data payload #728 from 16 - Hackerspace.gr 1



Timeframe 2015-09-01 18:40:18 ~ 2015-09-01 19:03:53



Data



# network.satnogs.org

- Python/Django based service
- API for client scheduling and auto-provisioning
- Pyephem for calculations and custom scheduling
- Check [network.satnogs.org](http://network.satnogs.org)

Filter by Name or NORAD Cat ID

 65 74 29**39087 - AAUSAT3**

CW Beacon

**40054 - AISAT****35933 - BEESAT**

CW Beacon

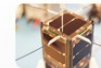
GMSK 4k8 9k6

**39136 - BEESAT-2**

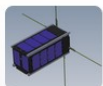
CW Beacon

**40014 - BUGSAT-1 (TITA)**

AX.25 beacon

**39153 - CUBEBUG-1 (CAPITAN BETO)**

AFSK 1200

**39440 - CUBEBUG-2 (LO-74)****27848 - CUBESAT XI-IV (CO-57)**

Mode U CW Be...

Mode U AFSK T...

**28895 - CUBESAT XI-V (CO-58)**

Mode U BEACON

Mode U TLM

**27844 - CUTE-1 (CO-55)**

Mode U Beacon

Mode U TLM

**32785 - CUTE-1.7+APD II (CO-65)**

Mode U TLM 1

Mode U TLM 2

Mode L/U Digip...

**32789 - DELFI-C3 (DO-64)**

Mode V BPSK T...

Mode V BPSK T...

**40719 - DEORBITSAIL****40021 - DUCHIFAT-1****40071 - DX1**

# SatNOGS DB

- Crowdsourced transmitter information
- Python/Django based open source app

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NETWORK

No Network  
Connectivity

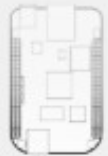
**SatNOGS**  
CLIENT

Commercial  
Software

Gpredict  
& Gqrx



Raspberry  
Pi



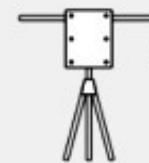
Beaglebone  
Black



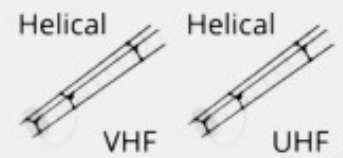
Odroid  
U3



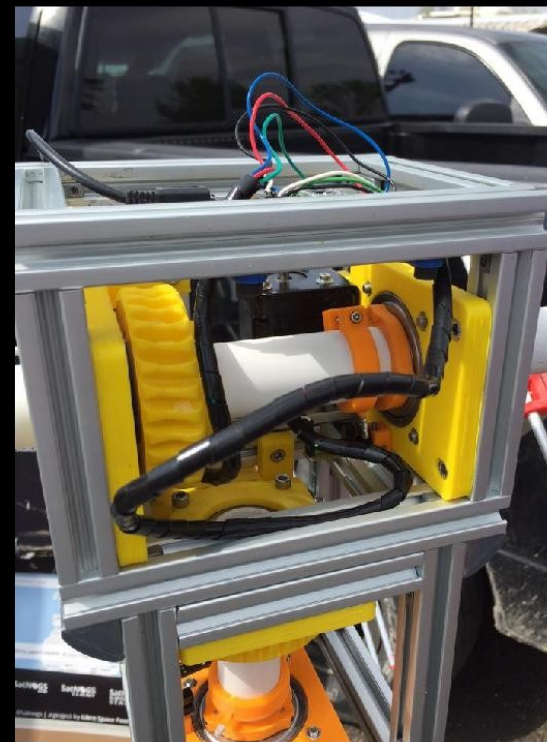
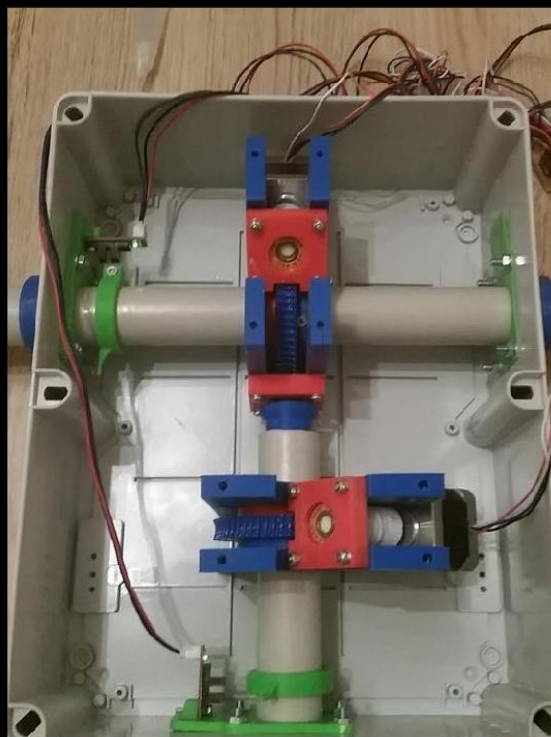
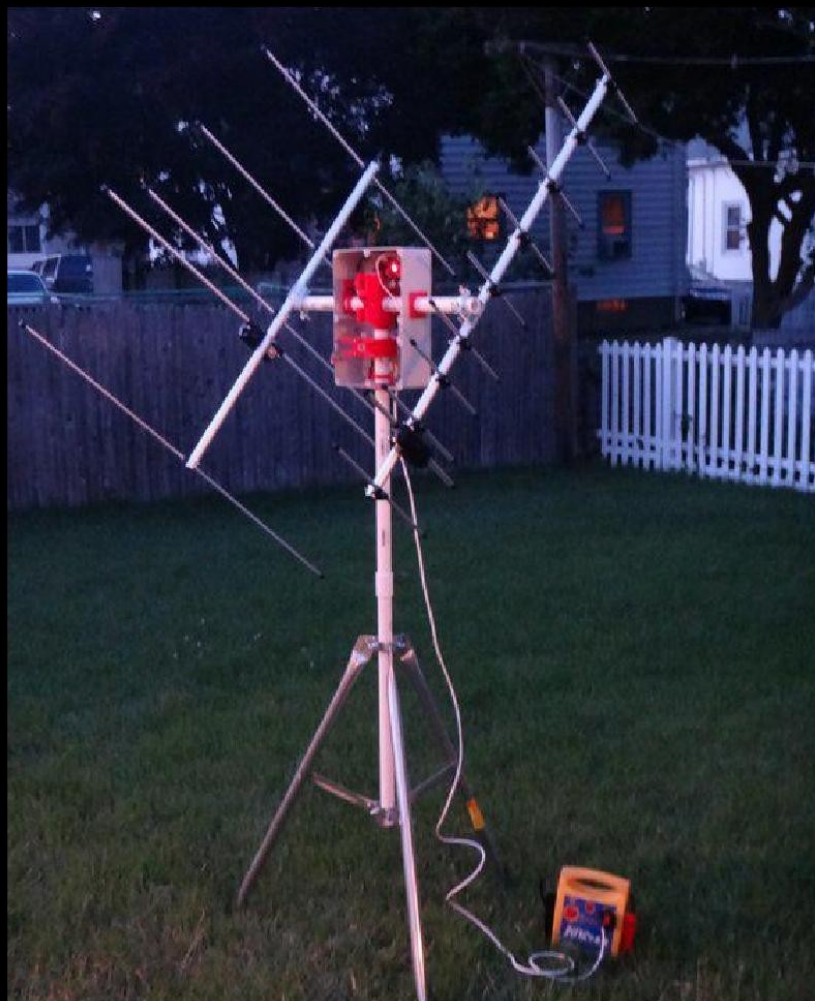
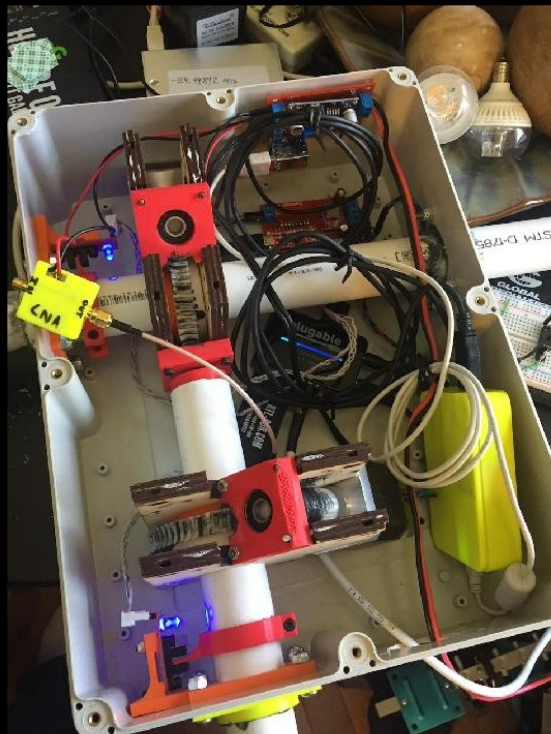
Commerical  
Rotator



**SatNOGS**  
v2 Ground  
Station





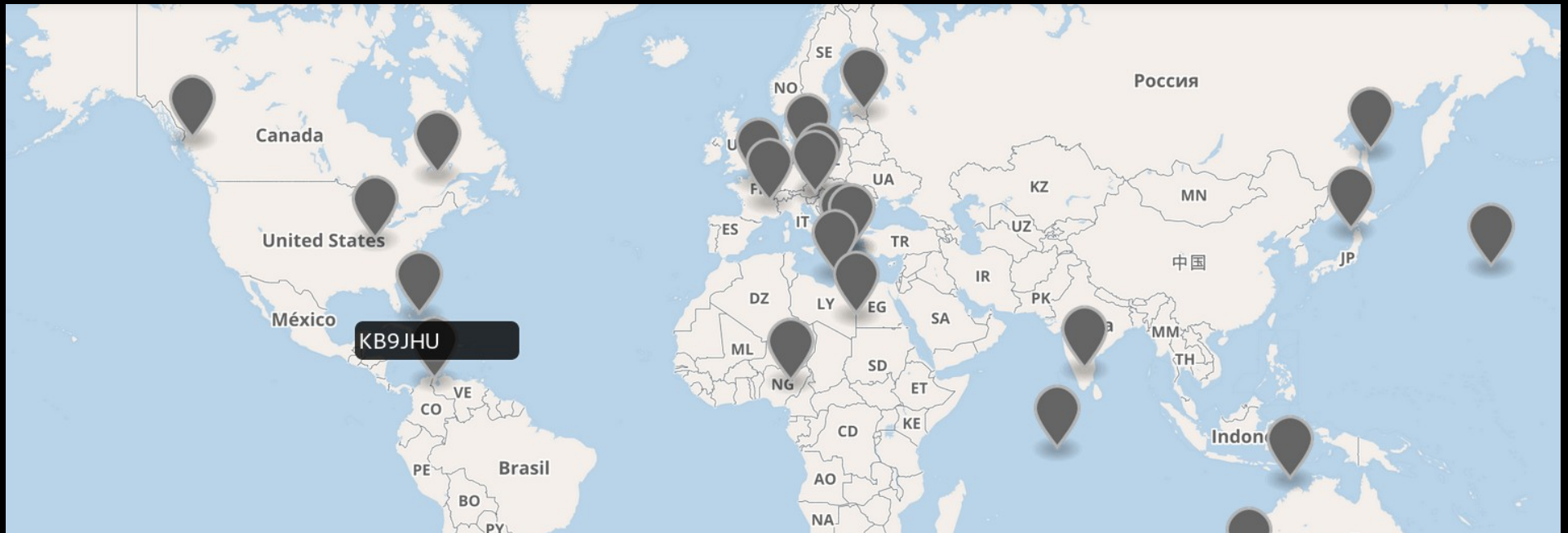


# Future Work

- Focus on UX for TX operations
- Move to higher bands (S, Ku, C)
- Achieve continuous tracking



# More stations!



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# Thanks!

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