Hitch a ride to Mars

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The Problem
How are we going
to solve it?



Downlink speed

Image size: 407KB

> Curiosity to MRO

Bandwidth: 256Kb/s

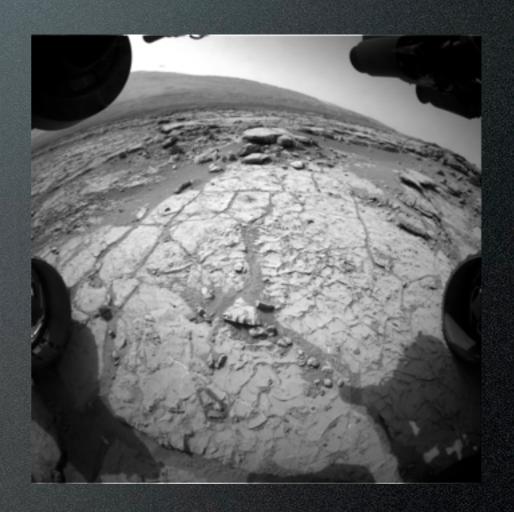
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> MRO to Earth

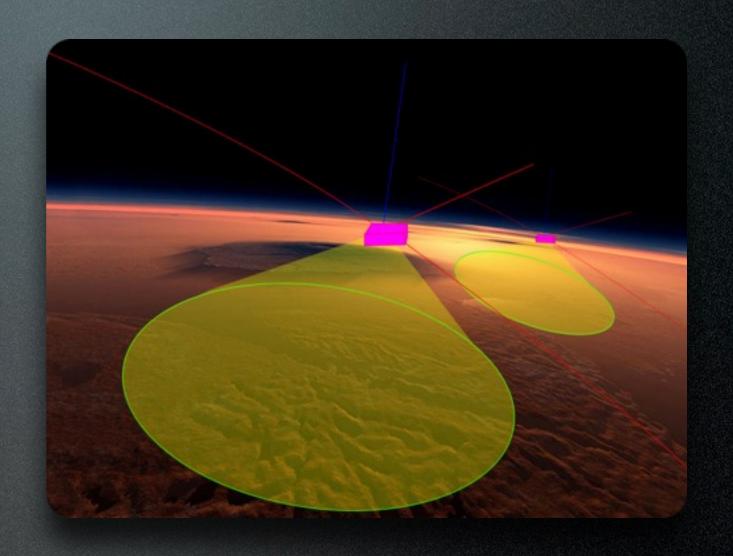
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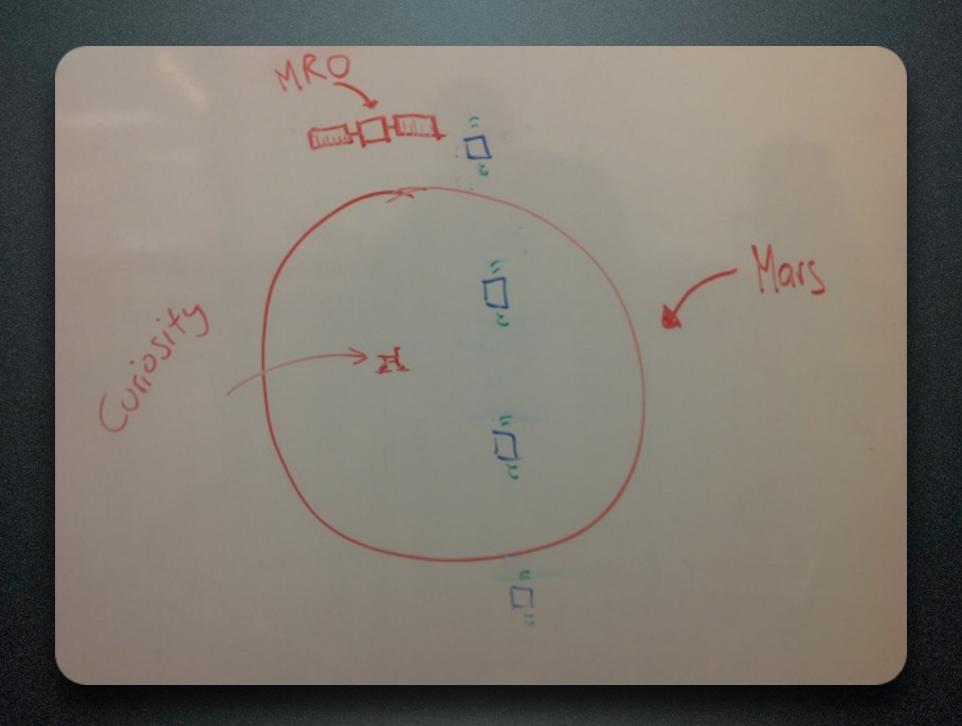
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Propagation Delay: 333 s

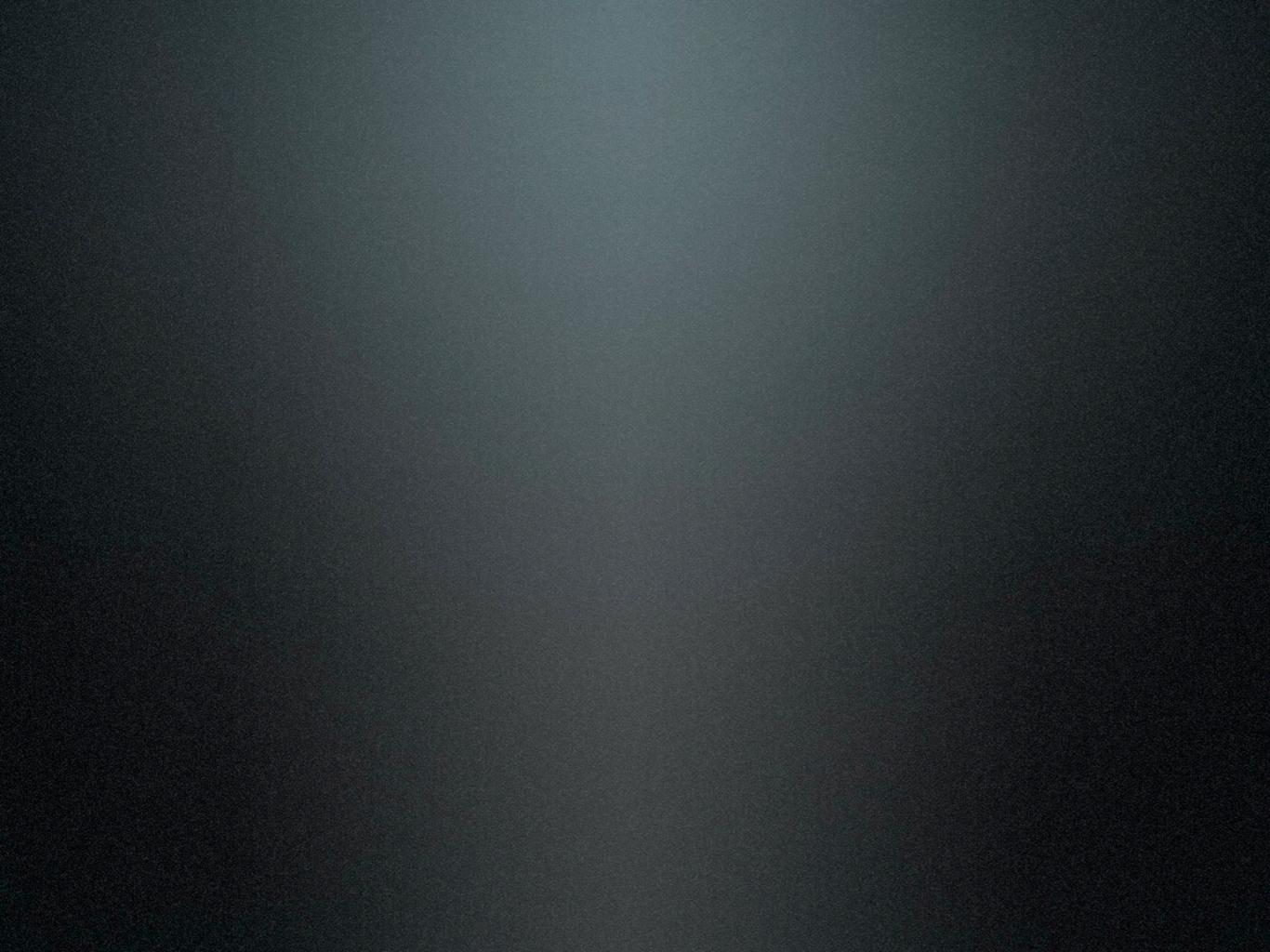


Mars Repeater
System

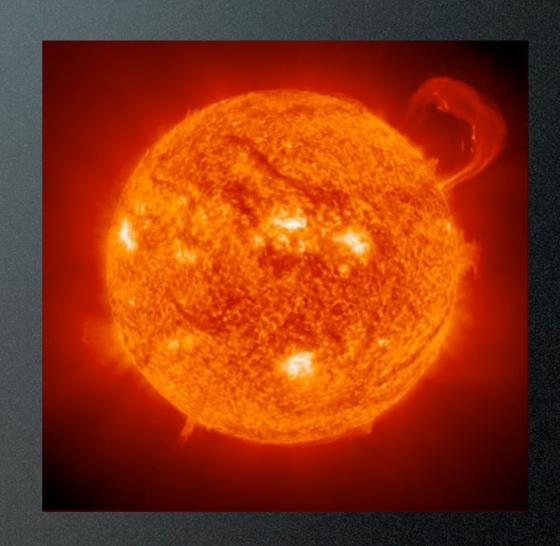




The Concept



Acomplished Goals What did we achieve?



Calculate link budget for communications

$$P_{\text{RX}} = P_{\text{tx}} + G_{\text{RXEarth}} + G_{\text{TXOrbiter}} - L_{\text{FS}}$$

$$L_{\rm FS} = 20\log\left(\frac{4\pi d}{\lambda}\right)$$

The Sad Truth





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