Optical Laser Communication

Identifying the disruptions/disruptors

NASA LADEE Interplanetary Mission	Sep' 2013	2 way Pulsar laser beam Moon to Earth
EADS Cassidian & Mynaric Jet/Flight platform mission	Nov' 2013	flight speed of 800 km/h, fast flight maneuvers, strong vibrations
EDRS	Nov' 2014	1st Gigabit laser-based communication relay network LEO <-> EDRS <-> GEO <-> Ka-band <-> Earth
NASA OPAL Space to Ground mission	Dec' 2014	Breakthrough in Space to Ground mission
NICT SOCRATES Micro-Satellite mission LEO to Ground	2014	First LEO to Ground mission
Google X Loon Stratspheric Ballons	Feb' 2016	2 balloons 100 kms aways
Facebook Aquilla + Mynaric Air-to-Ground mission	2018	Flight 9 kms away from ground
Psyche mission	2022	Deep space optical comm
NICT HICALI GEO to Ground	2022	Fastest bidirectional lasercom link HICALI (High-speed Communication with Advanced Laser Instrument) first intersatellite link at the same high speed between a CubeSat in LEO and HICALI in GEO

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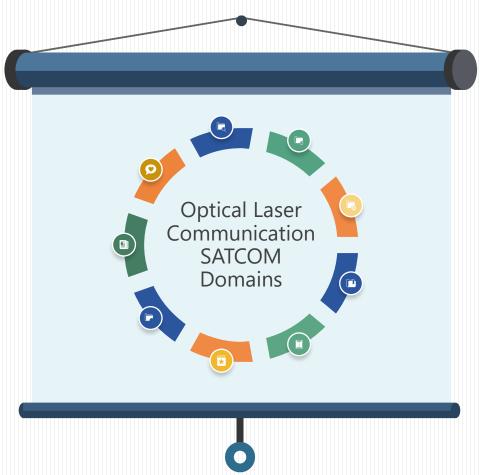
- 1. Disruptions Scanning
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SECTION-1 DISRUPTIONS SCANNING

Optical Laser Comm domains

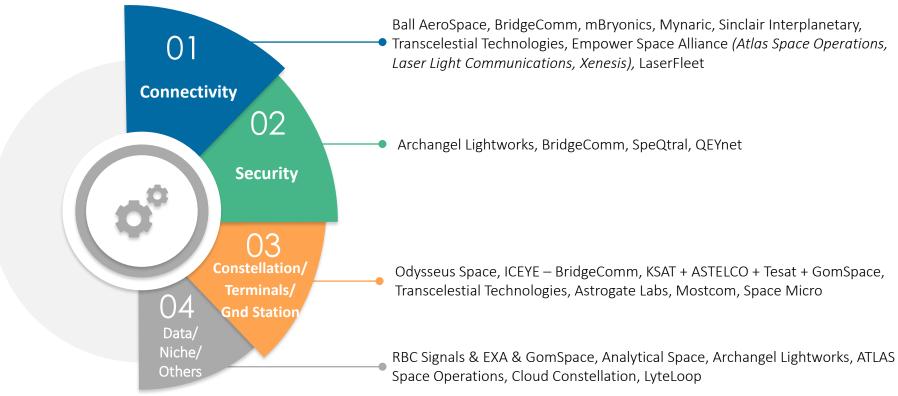
Disruptors/Startups



Connectivity – High bandwidth solutions 01 Connectivity – 'As-a-Service' solutions Connectivity – for IoT solutions 03 **04** Security - Conventional Security – QKD based **05 06** Data Analytics & Monetization, Storage Satellites, Terminals & Ground station 07 Operations-'As-a-Service' solutions Niche & Others 09

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Disruptors



SECTION-2 AIRBUS FOCUS

Primary - Connectivity, Security

Secondary - Constellation/Terminals/Ground Station

Connectivity Disruptions – based on applications

High Bandwidth

As-a-Service

IoT & Remote Sensing Solutions

Disruptors

Ball Aerospace, BridgeComm, Mynaric, Empower Space Alliance, Transcelestial Technologies, Sinclair Interplanetary

Ball AeroSpace (Laser Light Communications), mBryonics

LaserFleet

Use-case/ Vertical Commercial Data relay, rural/remote internet, High-altitude UAV, Satellite broadband, Commercial Aircraft,
Earth Observation

Global enterprises, data centers, media companies, financial institutions, carriers, and government entities, HALO Direct Connect Service, Global SD-WAN inter-satellite link of the Internet of Things constellation | downlink data transmission of remote sensing satellites

Fields/
Technologies

space-based laser comm, precision pointing, acquisition and tracking systems, high-power optical amplifiers and high-bandwidth optical comm terminals, rapid point-to-point data transmissions via beams, steered infrared laser beam, Flight grade Optical Transceiver, Software configurable, Global Optical Multilayered Mesh network

200 Gbps optical crosslinks, 100Gbps optical bidirectional links, patented StarBeam™ operating system, proprietary extended ground network, ArcLight® software defined optical onboard modem, seamless, reprogrammable system of systems, seamlessly integrated with the terrestrial cellular and wired networks

star-to-ground laser communication terminal, intersatellite laser communication terminal and optical ground station

Connectivity Disruptions – based on scenario

Space-to-Space/Ground (GEO/MEO)

Ball Aerospace& Honeywell |
Tesat-Spacecom | Astrogate
Labs | Empower Space Alliance

near and deep space exploration | high-security solutions for unique applications, satellites & UAV to the ground

Precision pointing, acquisition and

tracking systems | high-power optical

layered Mesh network | 200 Gbps optical

crosslinks, 100Gbps optical bidirectional

amplifiers, high B/W optical comm
terminals | interplanetary, inter-satellite
and space-to-ground communication;
compact optical communication terminals,
ground receiver stations, space relay
systems, related software systems | Flight
grade Optical Transceiver, Software
configurable, Xenesis Global Optical Multi-

links

Space-to-Space/Ground (LEO)

BridgeComm | Starlink | Telesat | Analytical Space | Transcelestial Technologies | Astrogate Labs

near and deep space exploration | satellite broadband services for businesses and governments, hard-to-access environments | Weather forecasting, Asset tracking, Hyperspectral Imaging, Synthetic Aperture Radar

rapid point-to-point data transmissions via beams of light | Compact high B/W Laser Comms Terminals | FAST PIXEL relay network, hybrid of radio and laser

Air-to-Air/Ground

Mynaric | Google X Loon |
Astrogate Labs | KSAT +
ASTELCO + Tesat +
GomSpace, mBryonics

PROCESS

Data transmission wirelessly between airplanes, drones and satellite | operational Optical downlink tech

Optical laser communication system for Space, Air & Ground, Flight terminals, steered infrared laser beam| optical ground station, multi- mission network operation| ArcLight® software defined optical onboard modem seamless, re-programmable system of systems, optical satellite software defined network architecture

Solutions/ Use-cases

Disruptors

Fields/ Technologies

Security Startups

Conventional

Startups

Archangel Lightworks, BridgeComm

Use-case/ Vertical

AeroSpace, hard-to-access environments, high-altitude UAV to the ground, satellite broadband services for businesses and governments

Fields/ **Technologies** space-air laser communication terminal, Hybrid networks, rapid point-to-point data transmissions via beams of light

QKD based

SpeQtral, QEYnet, Archangel Lightworks

telecommunication companies, AeroSpace

commercial space-based QKD, entanglementbased QKD and daylight QKD. Quantum internet, global QKD connectivity, QKD constellation, space-based QKD payload | space-air laser communication terminal Hybrid networks

Infrastructure Startups

Terminals/Ground Stations

Startups

Astrogate Labs, RBC Signals & EXA & GomSpace, ICEYE – BridgeComm, KSAT + ASTELCO + Tesat + GomSpace, Odysseus Space

Use-case/ Vertical near and deep space exploration, Serving satellite operators with data processing/delivery

Fields/ Technologies Optical Comm systems for interplanetary, intersatellite and space-to-ground communication; compact optical communication terminals, ground receiver stations, space relay systems, related software systems, optical ground station, compact and integrated module

Satellite Constellations

ICEYE – BridgeComm, KSAT +

ASTELCO + Tesat + GomSpace, Odysseus Space,

Transcelestial Technologies

Actionable Information for Industries & Governments, industrialized optical ground station for regular service | automatization and remote operations, capability to support multiple missions | cost-optimization, solar system exploration | ultra-high bandwidth wireless laser communication

first commercial constellation of micro-class EO satellites, operational Optical downlink technology for nanosatellites, multi- mission network operation, Micro-satellites for duplex inter-satellite & space-to-ground communications, autonomous navigation

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