

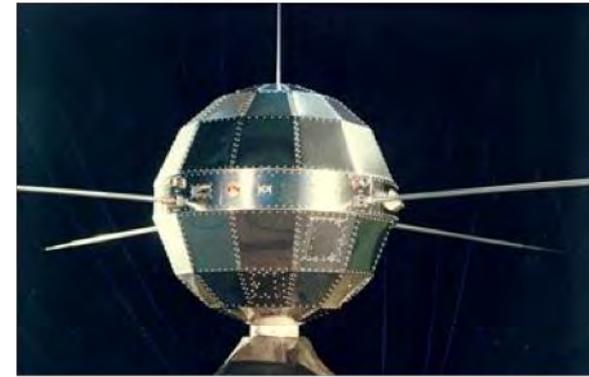
NSSC Update of EO Missions and CALVAL Projects

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National Space Science Center:

One of the Center/Institutes of Chinese Academy of Sciences
dedicated to space science and engineering

Planning, Development,
Management & Operation
of Space Science Missions
(2011~)

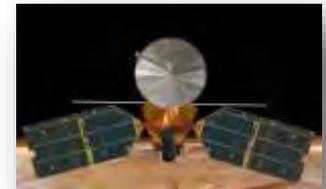
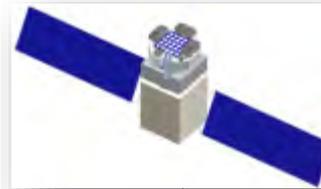
Research & Development of
Space Science and
Applications
(1958~)



NSSC: Snapshot of History

- 1958, established to start development of satellites in China
- 1960' s, leading player for Chinese space programs
- 1975-, started microwave remote sensing development in China
- 1980-90' s, pioneered the space environment exploration in China
- 1992-2003, science, applications and payloads for Chinese manned space flight program
- 2003-, development of payload for Chinese lunar missions
- 2011-, planning, selection, management, development, launching and operations of Chinese space science satellite missions





Space Science Study Center

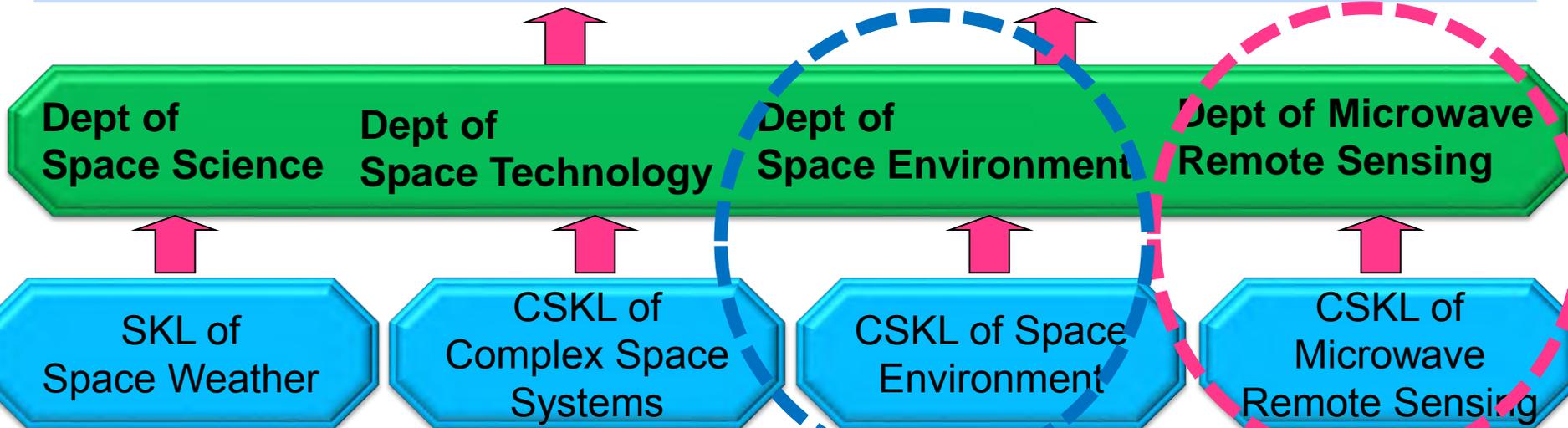
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Mission Operation Center

Assurance and Test Center

Space Science Mission Planning, Management and Operations

Science and Technology Support for Space Science Missions

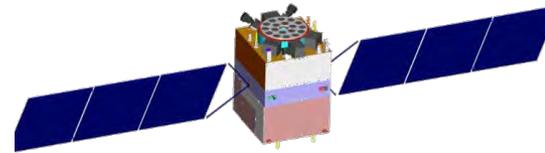


Update of NSSC: Space Science Missions

Objective	Mission
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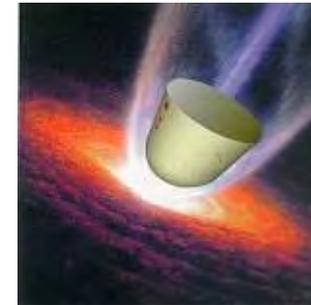
Black Hole

**HXMT
(2016)**



**Microgravity /
Life Science**

**SJ-10
(2016.4)**



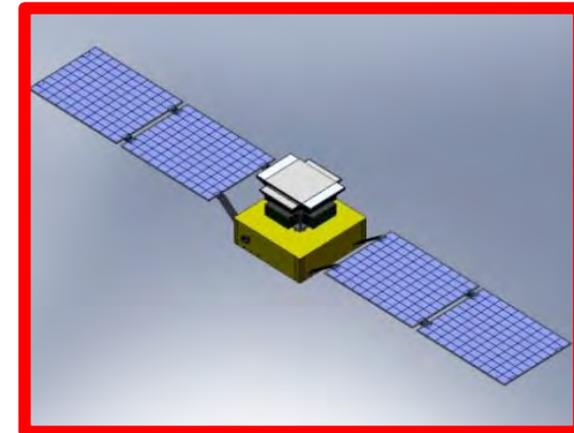
**Quantum
Theory**

**QUESS
(2016.7)**



Dark Matter

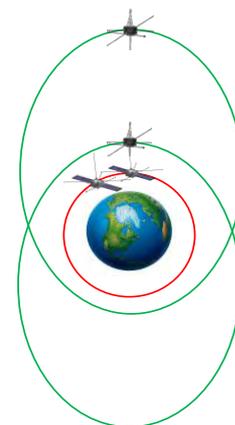
**DAMPE
(2015.12)**



Update of NSSC: Candidate Space Science Missions Under Intensive Study (planned for 2016~2020)

Link between Solar
wind, Magnetosphere,
and Ionosphere

**SMILE
(CAS-ESA)**

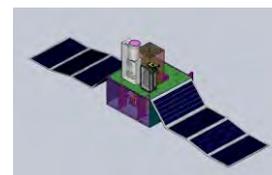


Magnetosphere,
Ionosphere and
Thermosphere Coupling

MIT

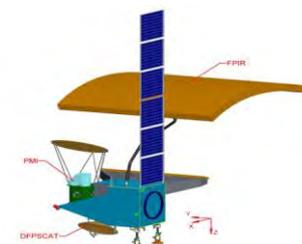
Exploring the dynamic
X-ray Universe

**EP
(Einstein Probe)**



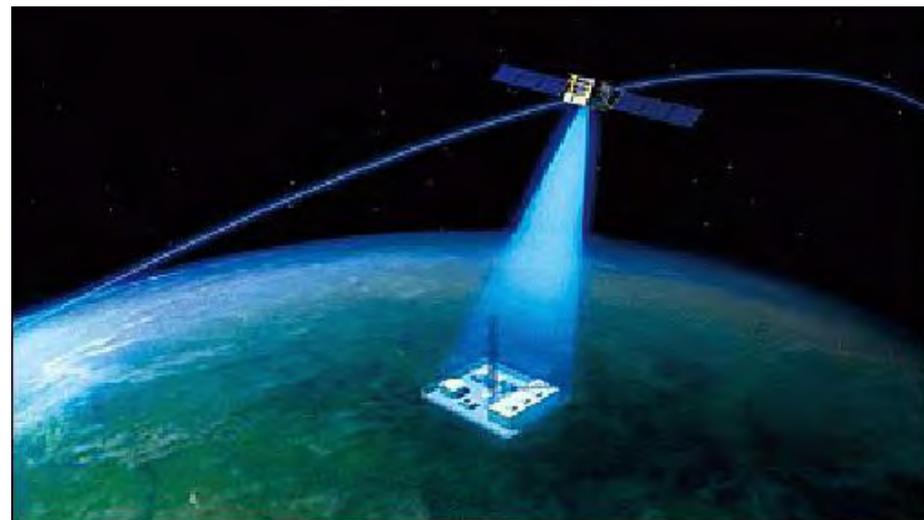
Synergetic Observations
of Global Water Cycle

WCOM



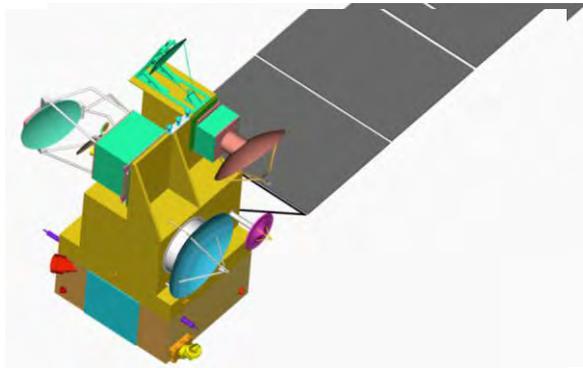
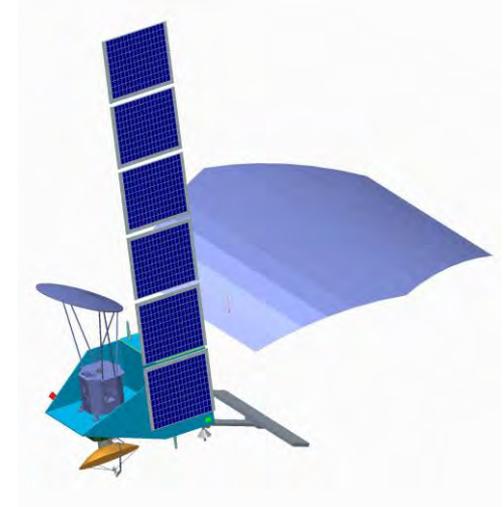
Update of NSSC: TanSAT

- MOST/NRSCC demonstration mission
- Role of NSSC
 - Management of mission system engineering
 - Mission operation
 - Ground segment
 - Data archiving and distribution



NSSC: Payloads and Cal/Val for EO Satellites

- **CSIC-Civil Space Infrastructure of china**
 - HY-2 (A, B, C and Follow-on)
 - COSM
 - FY-3 and follow-on
 - CFOSAT
 - FY-4 (optical and microwave)
- **Strategic Priority Projects for Space Science**
 - WCOM

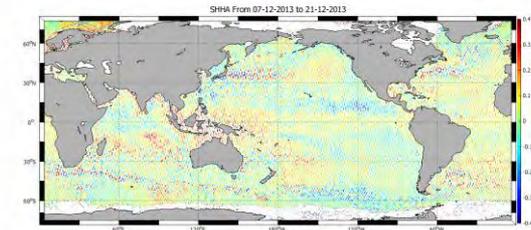


CSIC: Civil Space Infrastructure of China (2016-2025)

- **3 series**
 - Land, ocean and atmosphere
- **7 constellations**
 - High resolution optical imaging constellation
 - mid-resolution optical constellation
 - SAR constellation
 - Water color constellation
 - Ocean dynamic constellation
 - Climate constellation (LEO)
 - Weather constellation (GEO)
- **3 specific satellite series**
 - Ocean environment surveillance satellite
 - Physical field satellite
 - Atmospheric composition satellite

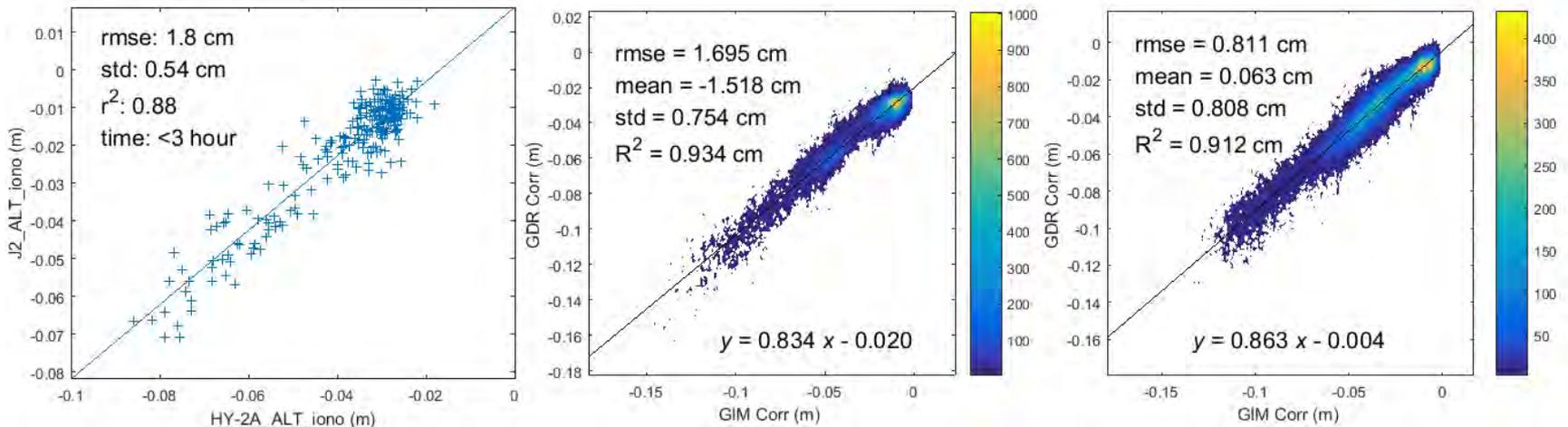
HY-2 update

- HY-2A :
- HY-2B/C :
 - DFRA: dual frequency radar altimeter : Ku (13.58GHz) & C (5.25GHz)
 - ACMR: atmospheric correction microwave radiometer: 18.7 , 23.8 , 37GHz
 - SCAT: radar scatterometer: Ku-band (RF switch network & receiver)
 - MWRA: microwave imager (6.6-37GHz) L1 data production
- HY-2 follow-on



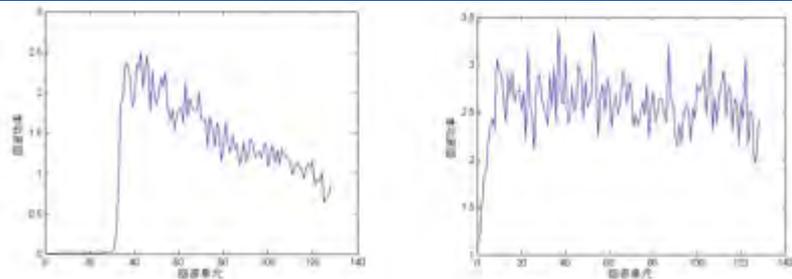
Improvement of HY-2A processing

- Ionospheric correction for NSOAS operational system
- Four-parameter re-tracking algorithm for NSOAS operational system
- Sea-level production refining: 6.2cm→5.8cm
- 3D non-parametric sea status bias correction



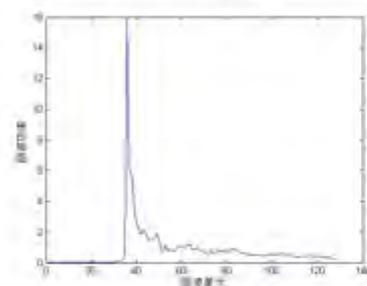
Crossover comparison of ionospheric corrections

(left: HY-2A vs Jason-2; center: GIM vs HY-2A; right: GIM vs Jason-2)

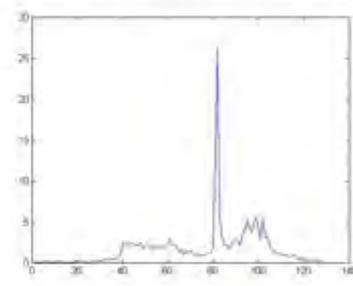


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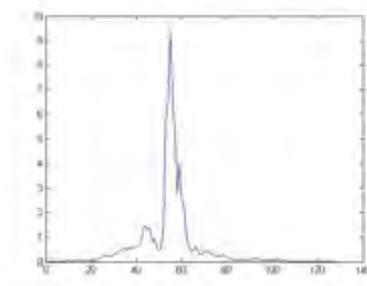
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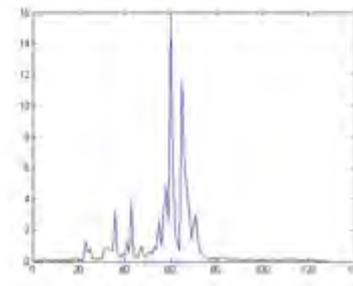
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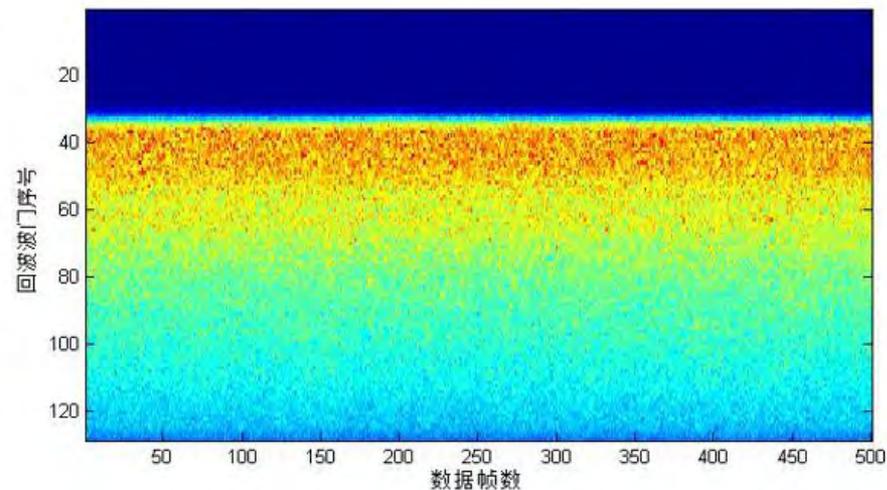


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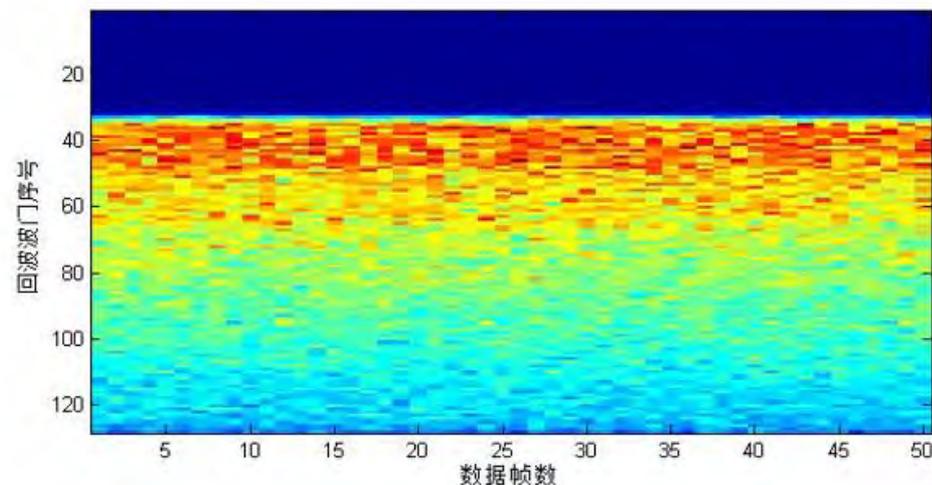


(f)

HY-2A 高度计典型回波波形示意图



HY-2A 高度计阿拉斯加回波波形图



HY-2A 高度计苏门答腊岛回波波形图

Cross Comparison/calibration with Jason-2

STD bias < 5.8cm

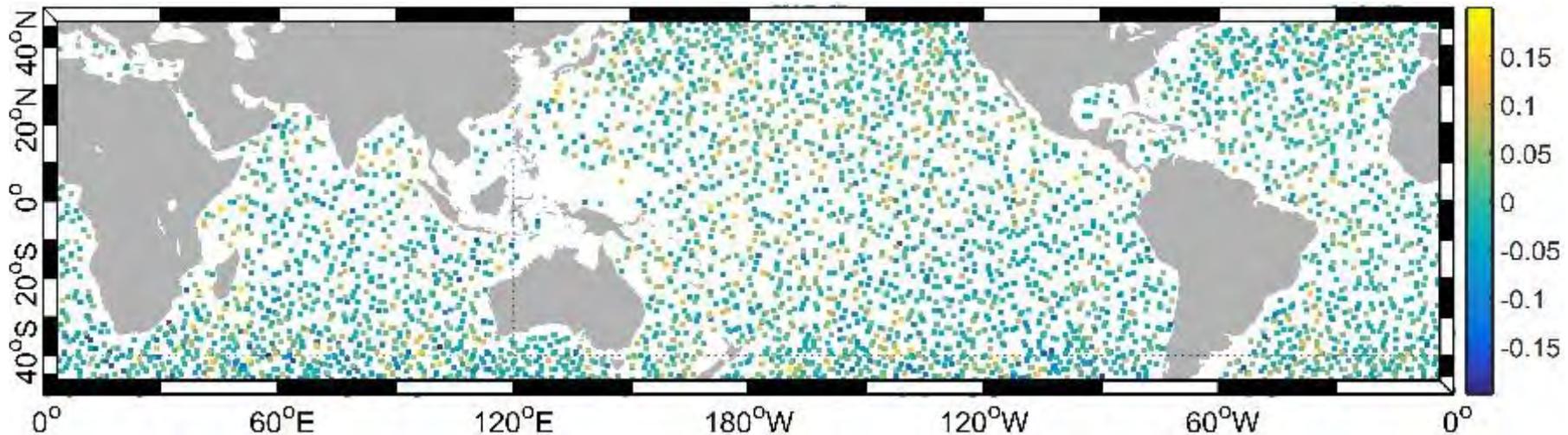
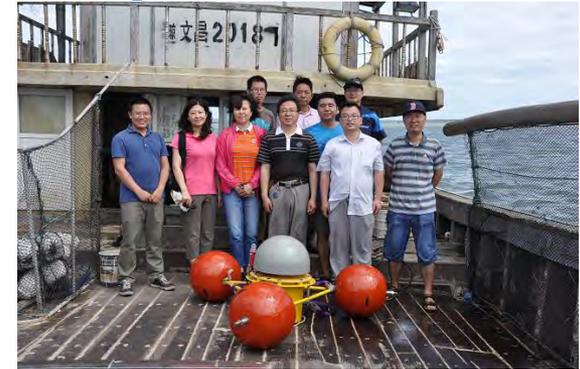
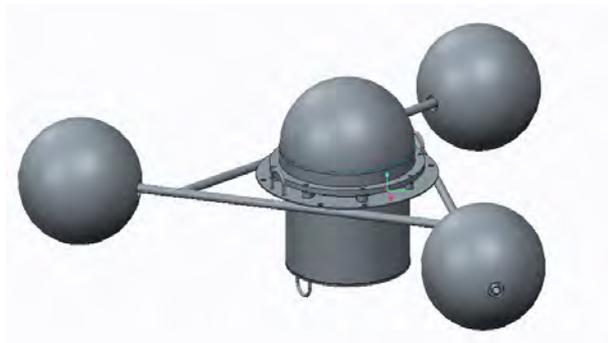
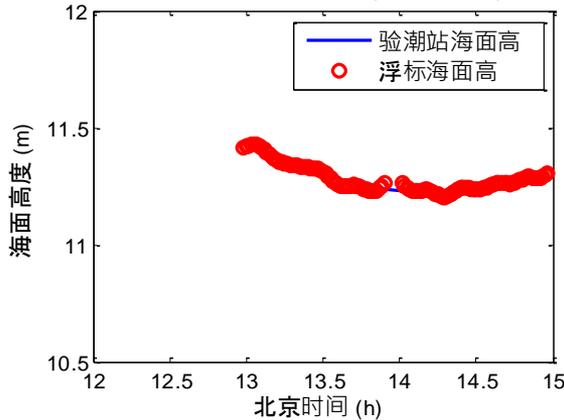


Figure. 2 Distribution of the differences of SSHs between HY-2A and Jason-2

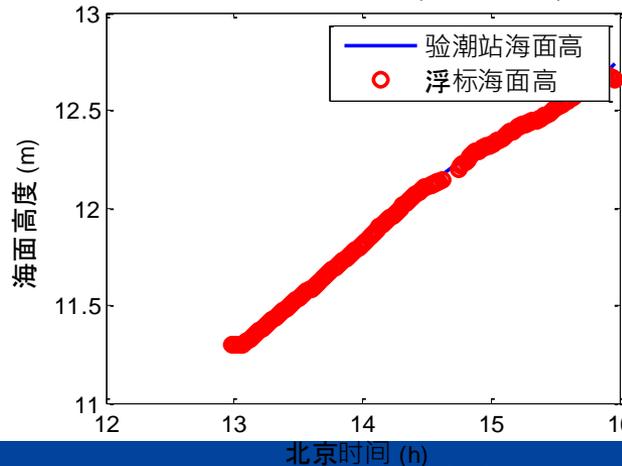
Development and experiment of GNSS-buoy for RA calibration (0.7~0.87cm bias with tide stations)



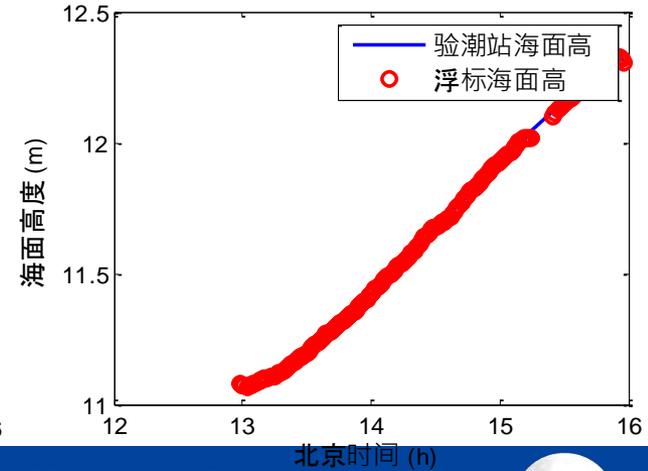
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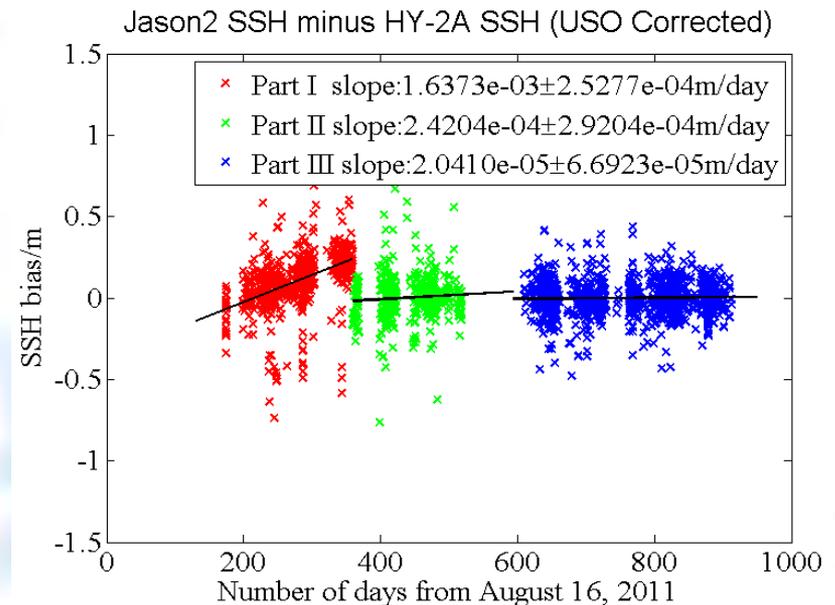
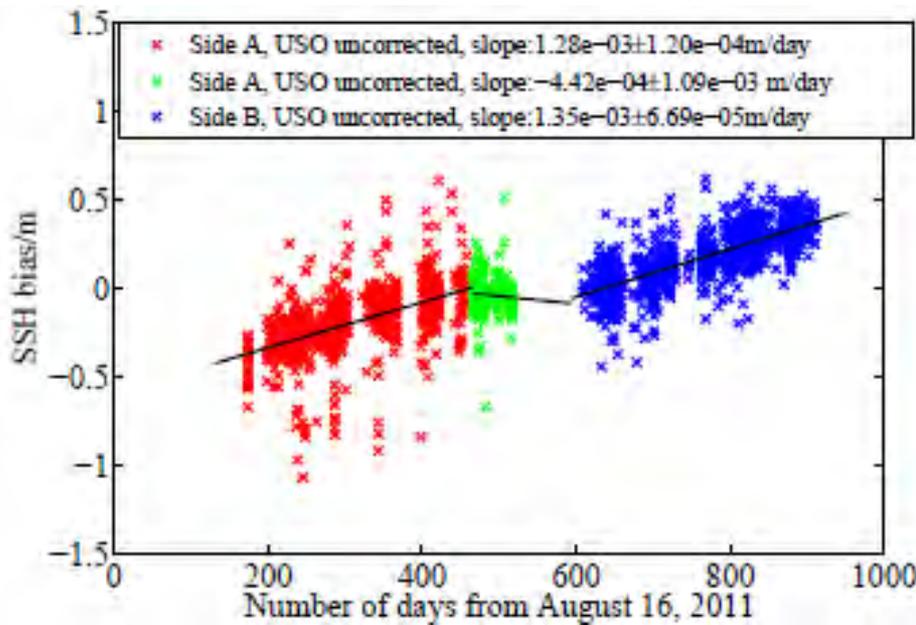
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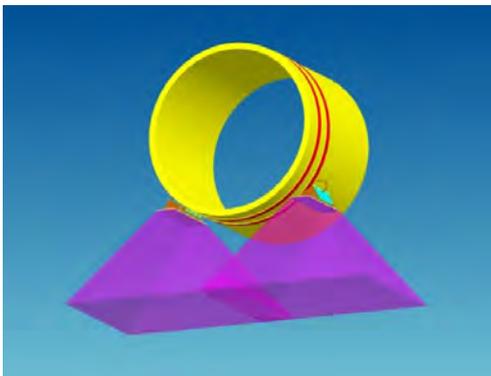
Calibration with ground-transponder (correction of frequency floating)



HY-2B/C and HY-2 follow on

✧ HY-2B/C

- Same payloads as HY-2A
- Improvement based on HY-2A
- Two satellite constellation (Polar SSO and inclined orbit)
- To be launch 2018/2019



✧ HY-2 follow on

WSRA: wide-swath radar altimeter

DFSC: C/Ku dual-frequency scatterometer

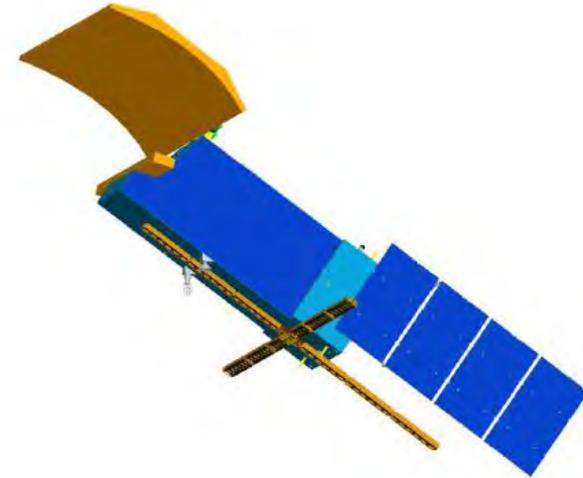
PRAD: Polarimetric microwave imager

- Intensive study started from 2016
- 1st satellite launch after 2020
- a pathfinder mission for WSRA will be launched in 2016

COSM update

Chinese Ocean Salinity Mission (HY-4)

- Mission requirements:
 - 0.1psu, 200km, monthly
 - With Simultaneous observation capability on ocean surface roughness and SST
- Schedule
 - 2011~2014:grounddemonstration on different payload technology
 - 2015: mission definition, preliminary design, risk mitigation
 - Estimated launching: 2019



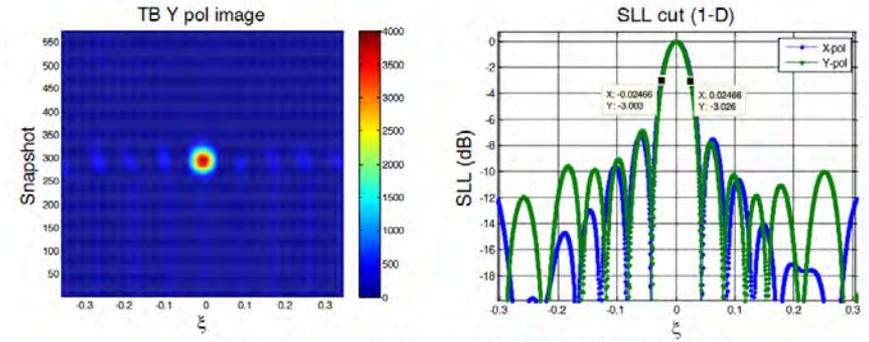
2 payloads:

- MICAP: microwave imager combined/Active Combined Imager (L, C, X, K band) (NSSC)
- M2DII: microwave 2-D interferometric imager (CAST-Xi' an)

MICAP Ground demonstrator development



Integrated Feed Array



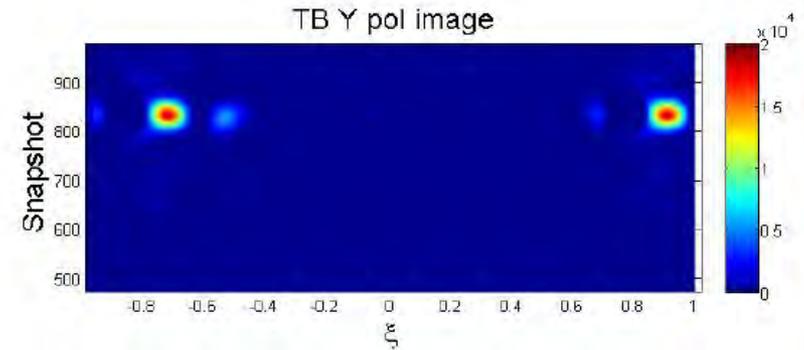
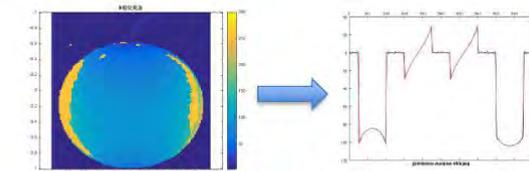
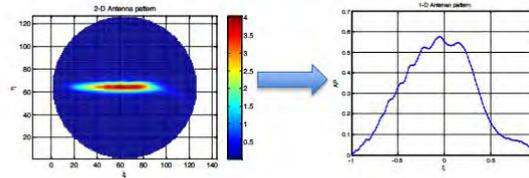
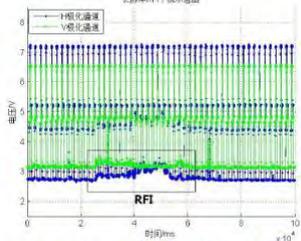
HPBW of Synthesized Beam: $0.02466 * 2 * 180 / \pi = 2.8261^\circ$

RFI detection & mitigation

High accuracy Brightness temperature reconstruction algorithm



长龄40RFI干扰示意图



$$\theta_{FOV} = \sin^{-1}(0.6353) \times 180 / \pi \times 2 = 78.8845$$

Ship-borne RFI investigation

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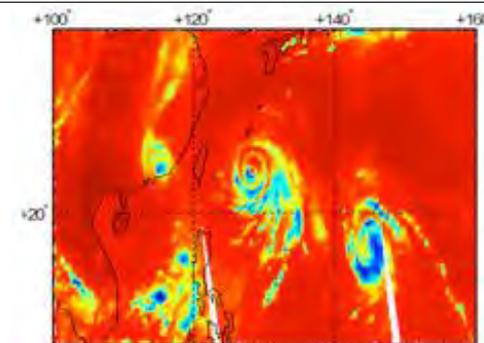
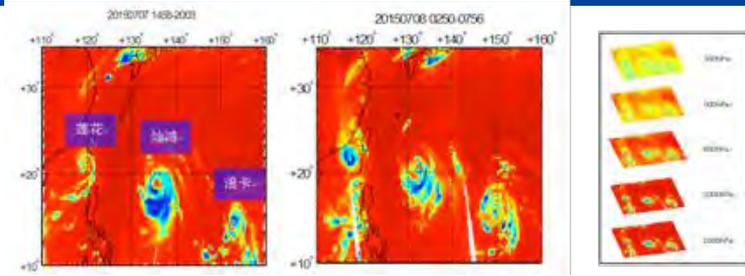
FY-3 update

■ FY-3A/B

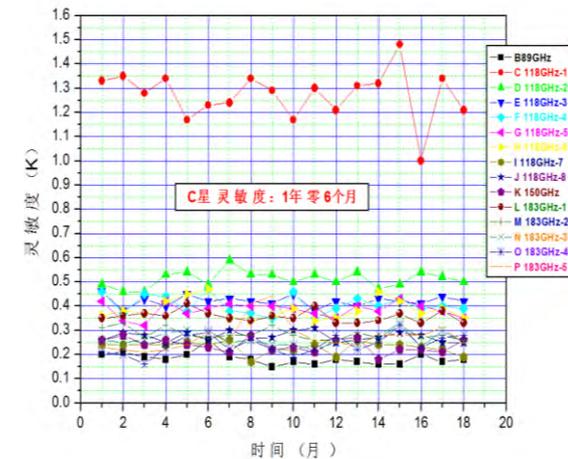
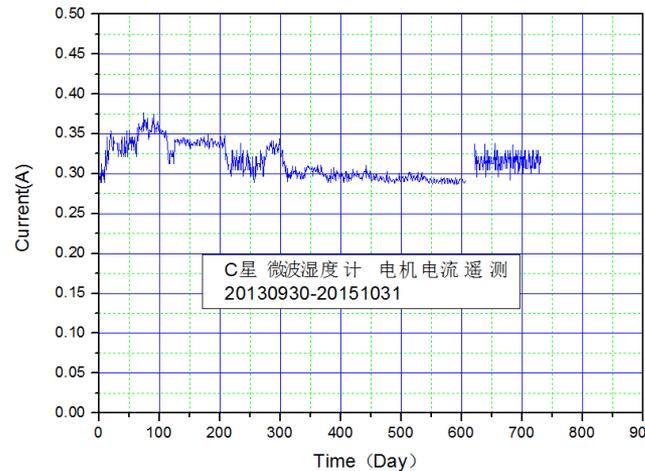
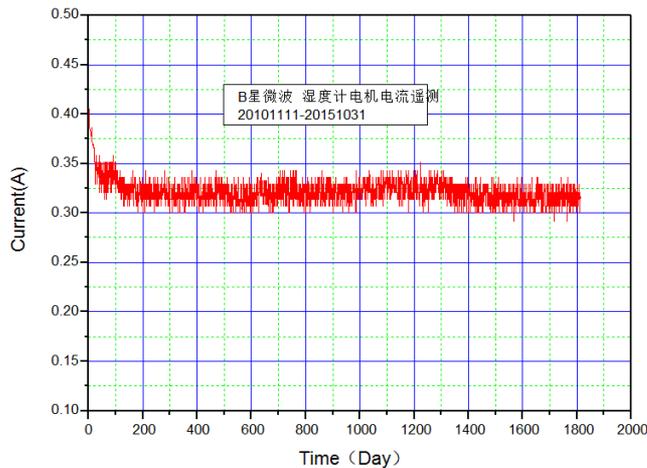
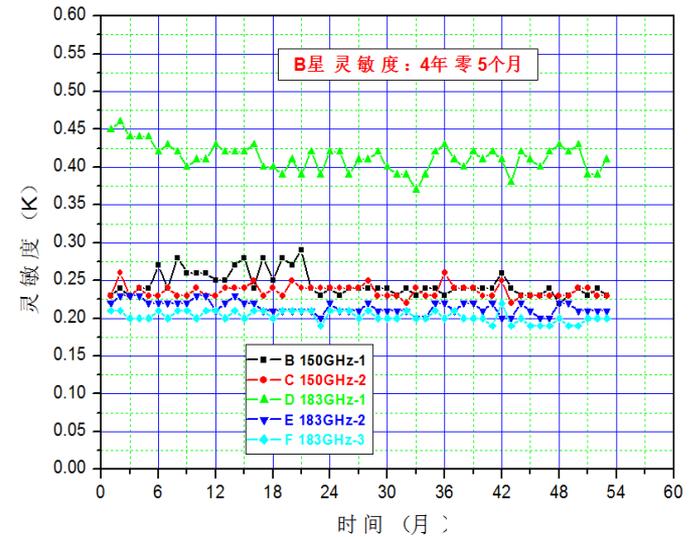
- MWHS: Microwave humidity Sounder
5 Channels: 150GHz: H, V-pol; 183GHz:
3channels for vapor
- FY-3A ended (launched 2008)
- FY-3B in good status (from 2010)

■ FY-3C/D

- MWHTS: Microwave Humidity and
Temperature Sounders
15Channels: 90GHz, 150GHz, 118GHz, 183GHz
- FY-3C: MWHTS in good status since 2013
- FY-3D: payload flight model ready in 2015, to
be launched in 2016

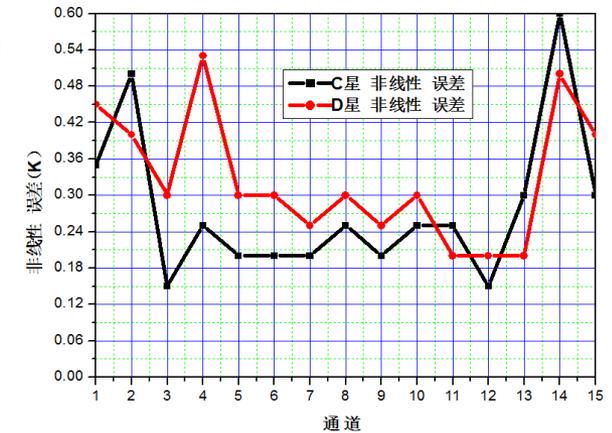
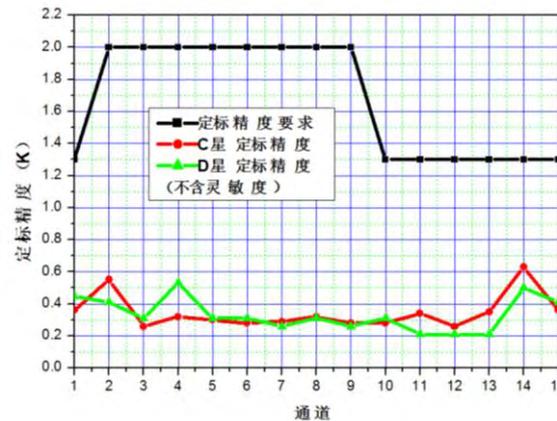
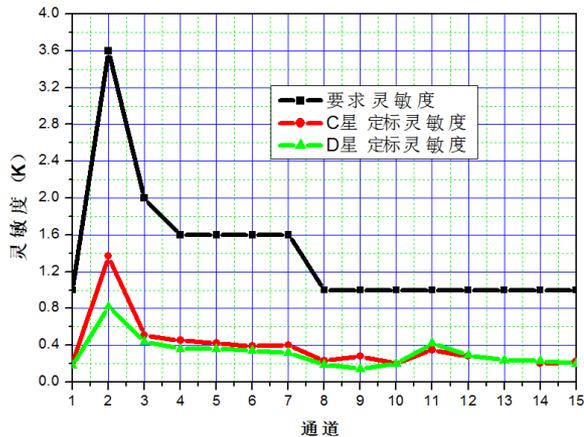
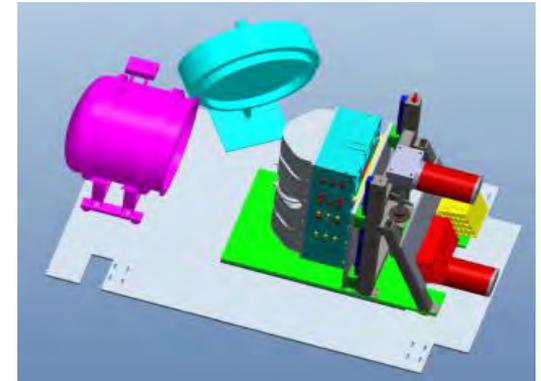


- ✧ FY-3B and FY-3C
- ✧ Performance well and stable
- ✧ Assessment and use in ECMWF
 - FY-3B from 2014
 - FY-3C from 2016



■ FY-3D

- Flight model test
- TV Test
- TV calibration



Comparison with HY-3C

Left: sensitivity; Middle: calibration bias; Right: nonlinearity error

CFOSAT update

■ Payloads:

- SCAT: rotating fan-beam scatterometer of ocean surface wind vector (ku band, by NSSC)
- SWIM: multiple beam radar for ocean surface wave spectrum (Ku band, by CNES)

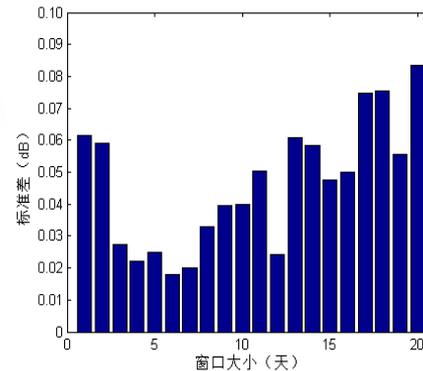
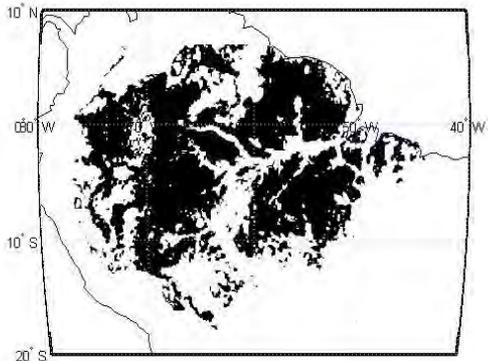
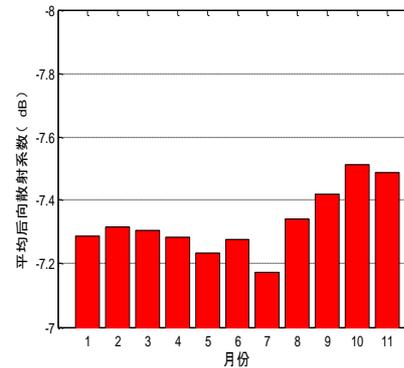
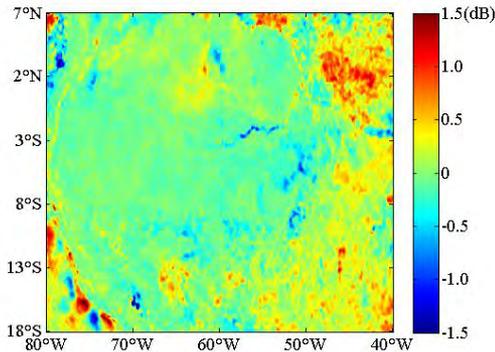
■ Schedule

- CDR: Nov 2015, after 2 year delay
- 2016: delivery of flight model
- 2017: satellite level test
- 2018: launch



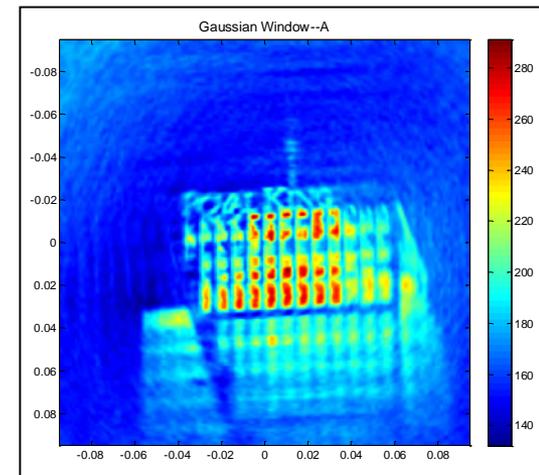
■ Preparation of postlaunch CAL/VAL of SCAT

- Antenna pattern confirmation with Amazon forest and GCS
- System calibration bias calibration by NOC
- Assessment of data available (QSCAT, HSCAT)
- Design of Cal/Val plan



FY-4 update

- **Optical and microwave version**
- **FY-4A Optical:**
 - to be launched in 2016
- **FY-4 microwave**
 - Satellite-level intensive study to be started 2016
- **Payload development in NSSC**
 - **GIMS: geostationary Interferometric Microwave Sounder (NSSC+ESA)**
 - 50-60GHz: Temperature channels: NSSC
 - 183GHz: vapor channels: ESA
 - **DMGMS: dual-mode geostationary microwave sounder (NSSC+CAST-Xi'an)**
 - 50-60GHz: interferometric imaging sounder
 - 90, 118, 167, 183GHz: real aperture reflector antenna
 - **Schedule:**
 - 2016-2018: intensive study
 - 2019-2021: qualification and flight model development
 - Estimated launch year ~2022



Preparation of CAL/VAL

■ Calibration

- Short-term period noise injection calibration
- Long-term period cold-sky calibration by satellite maneuver
- Cross-comparison/calibration with LEO microwave sounder/imagers)

■ Validation

- cross validation with GNOS (GNSS Occultation Sounder)
- Cross validation with LEO satellite
- Validation with ground reference site and ground based sounding

WCOM: water cycle observation mission

- SSO 6:00am 600km
- 3 payloads
 - IMI: L-S-C interferometric microwave imager
 - PMI: Polarimetric microwave imager (7.2-90GHz)
 - DPS: dual-frequency polarized scatterometer (X, Ku)
- Objective parameters
 - Soil moisture, ocean salinity, snow water equivalent, frozen-thaw, ocean surface evapotranspiration (wind and temperature)

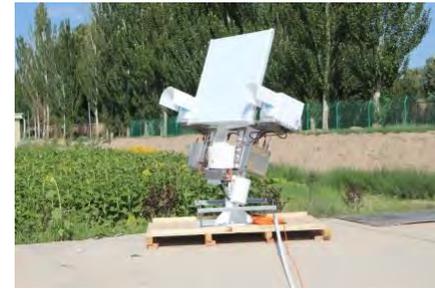


- Schedule
 - Intensive study: 2014-2015
 - Preparation of implementation: 2016
 - Qualification and flight model development: 2017-2019
 - Estimated launch: 2020

Preparation of CAL/VAL (WCOM Science team: Led by J-C Shi, RADI, CAS)

Algorithm development and validation for

- Soil moisture (RADI)
- Snow water equivalent (RADI)
- Frozen-thaw (RADI)
- Ocean salinity (NSSC)
- OSET (NSSC)



Development of microwave standard calibrator (polarimetric calibrator)

