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A satellite image of the Azores archipelago in the Atlantic Ocean, showing several islands of varying sizes and shapes, some with green vegetation and others with brownish terrain. The water is a deep blue color.

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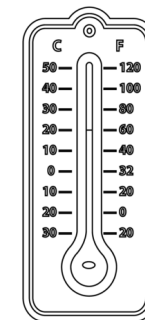


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CANARY ISLANDS

POPULATION	2,2 million
% FOREIGNERS	13%
TOURISTS	13 million/yr



AVERAGE	21 °C
WINTER	18 °C
SUMMER	24 °C

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POPULATION	0,38 million
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More than 200 R&D projects

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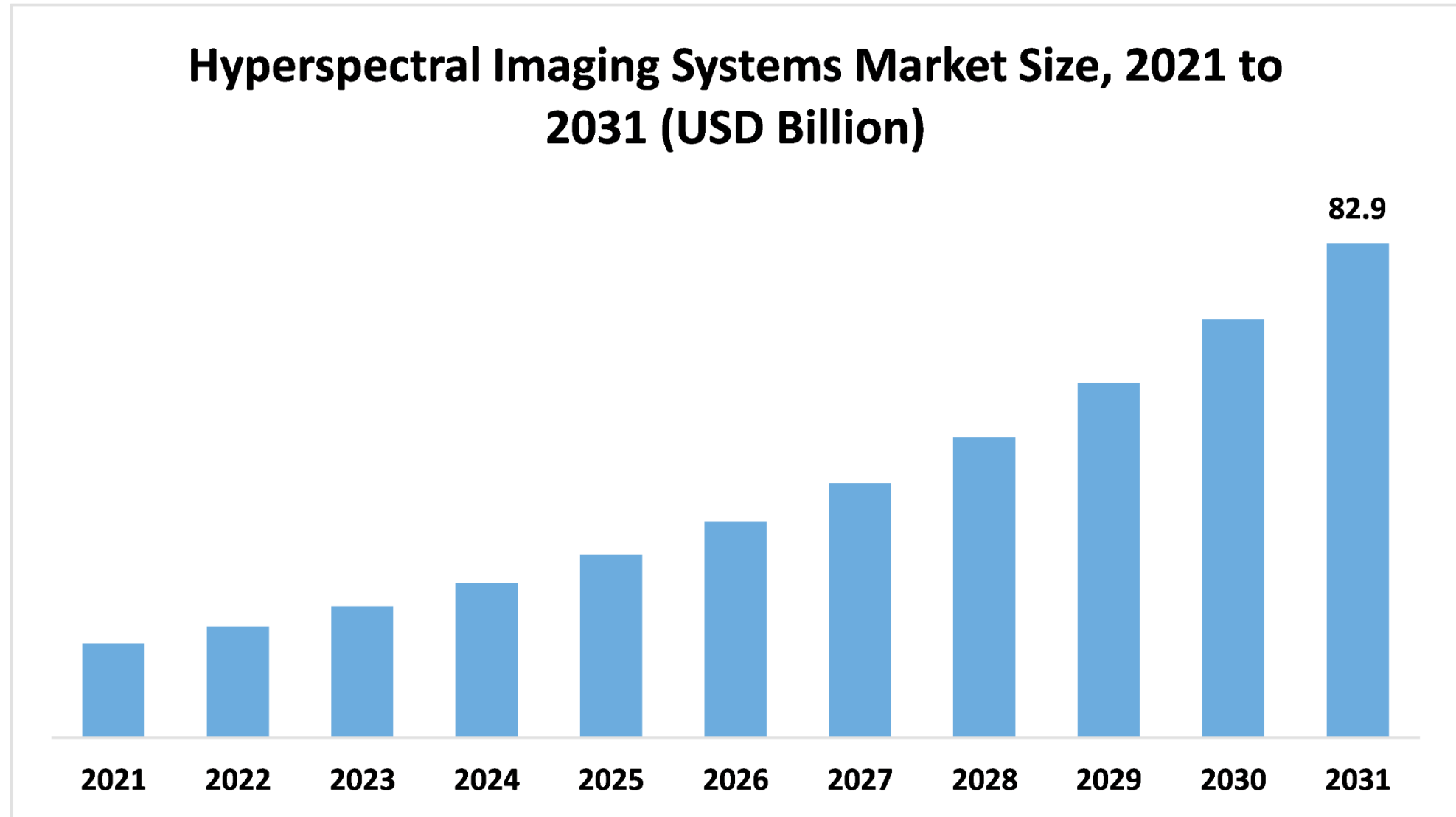
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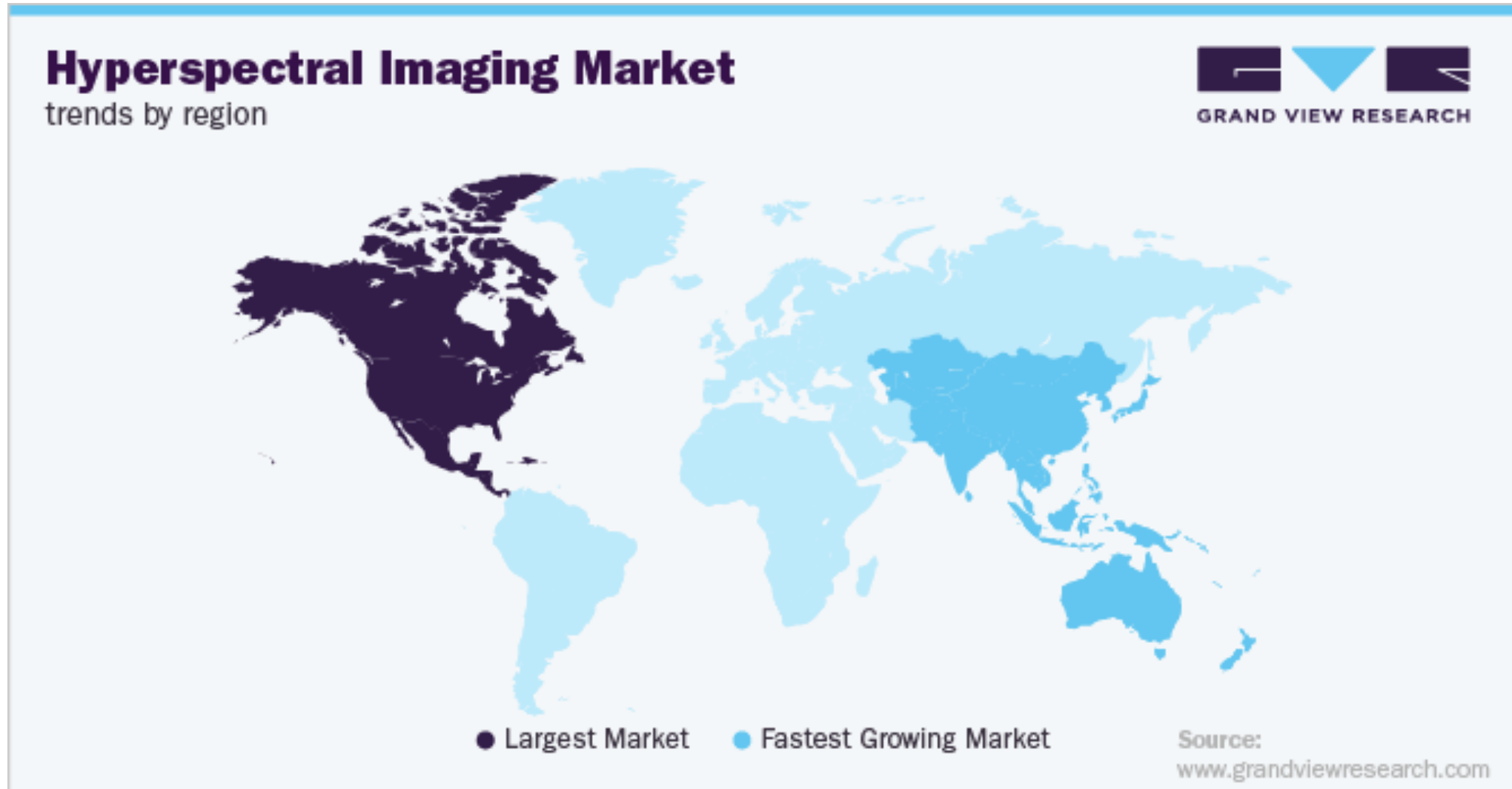
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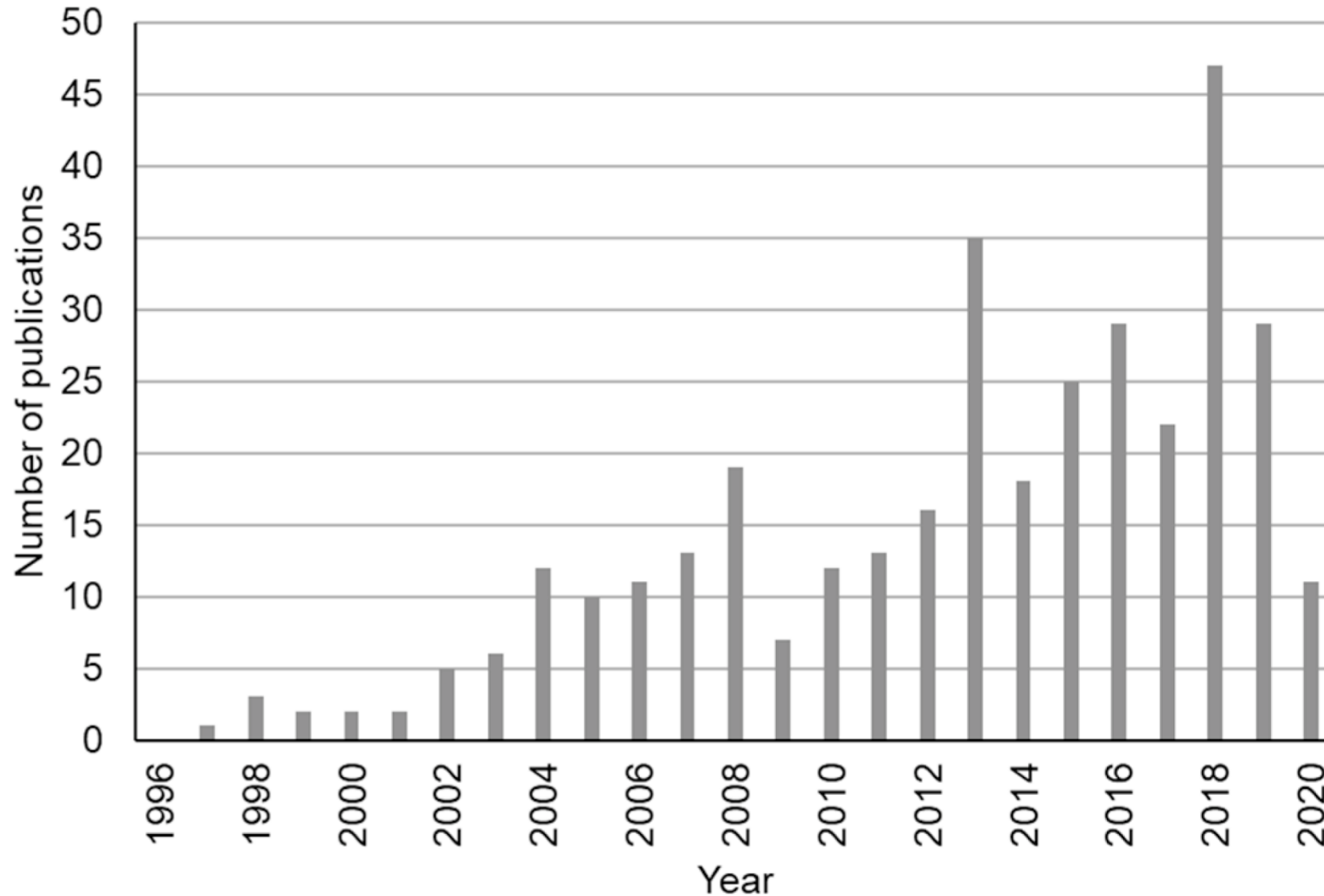
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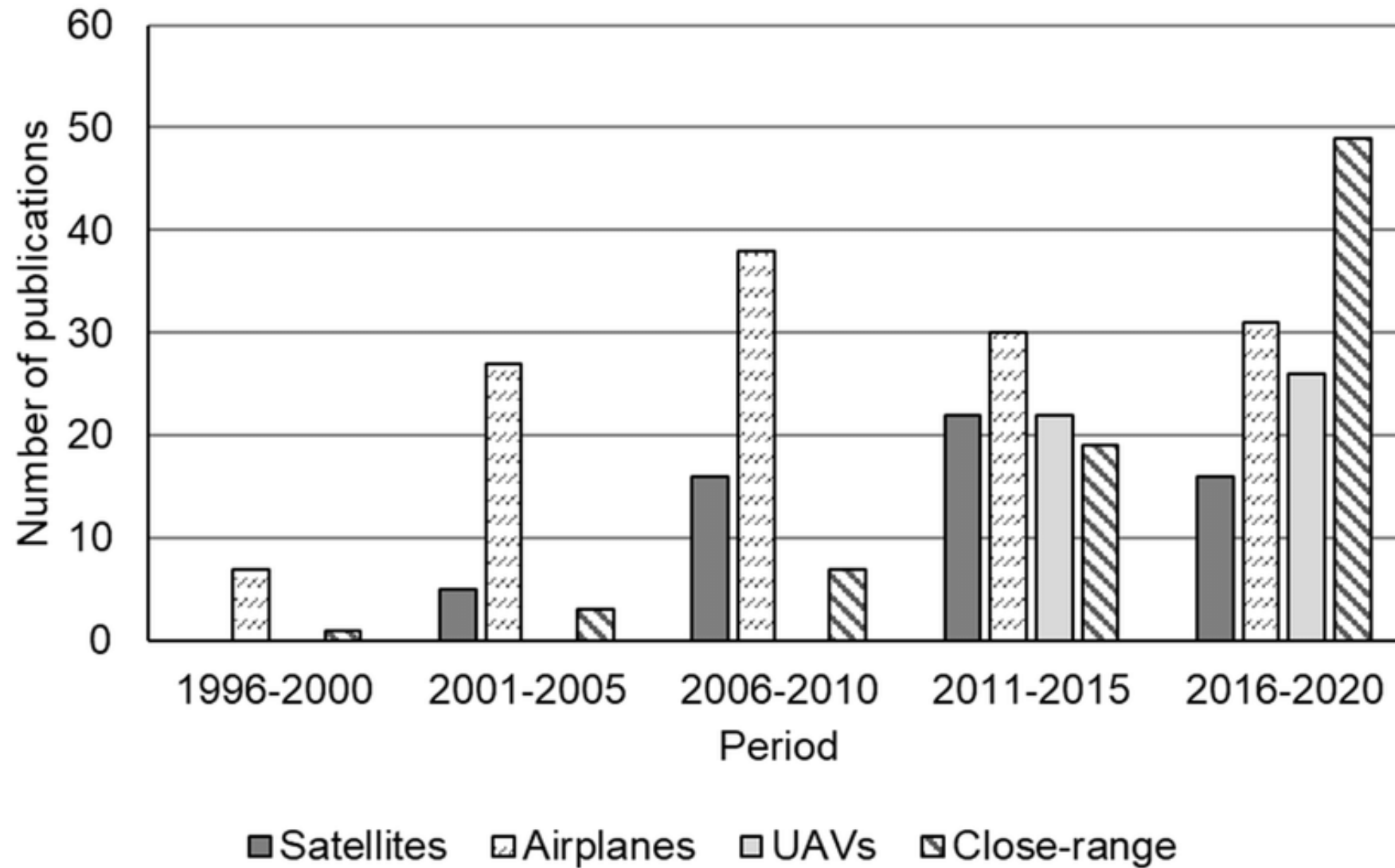
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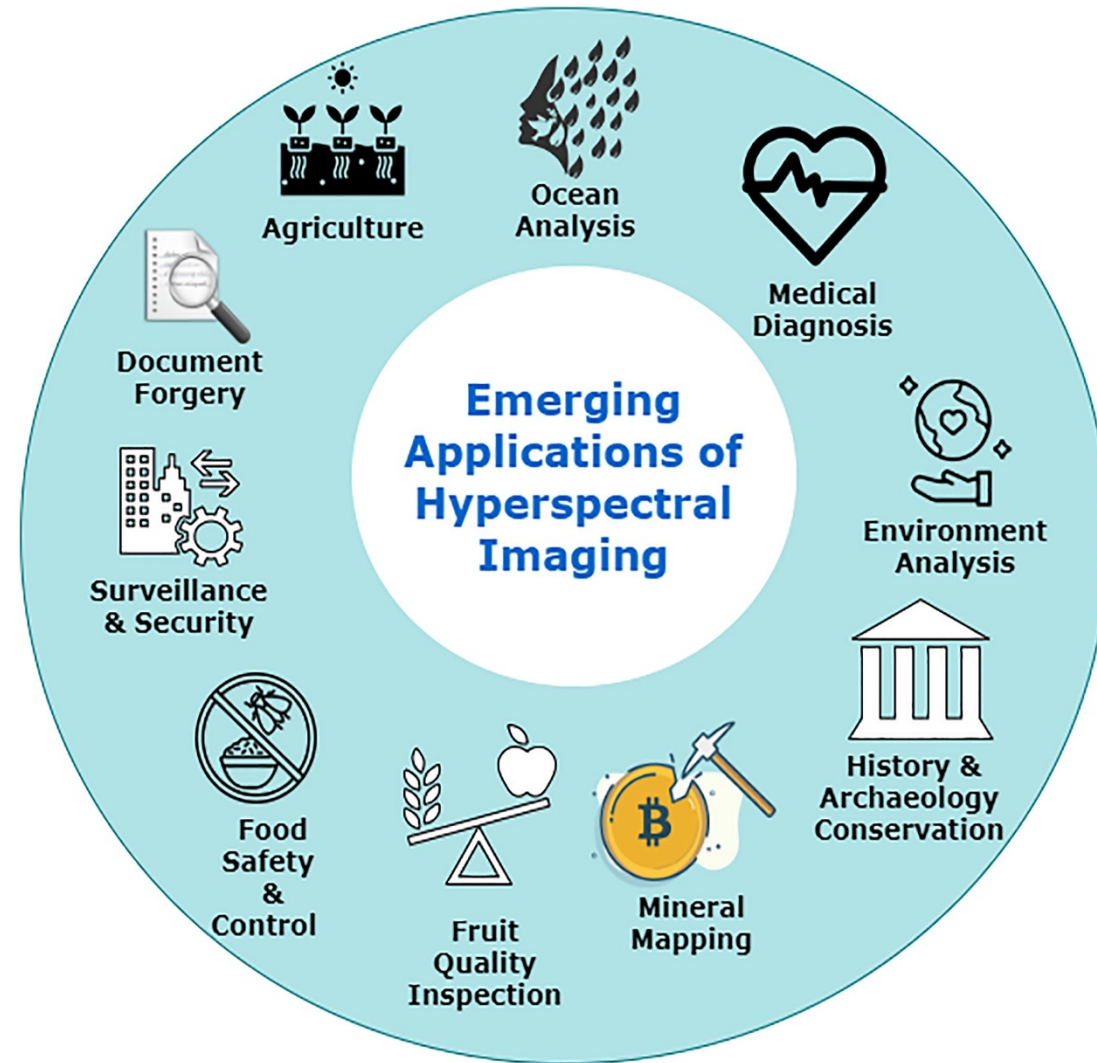
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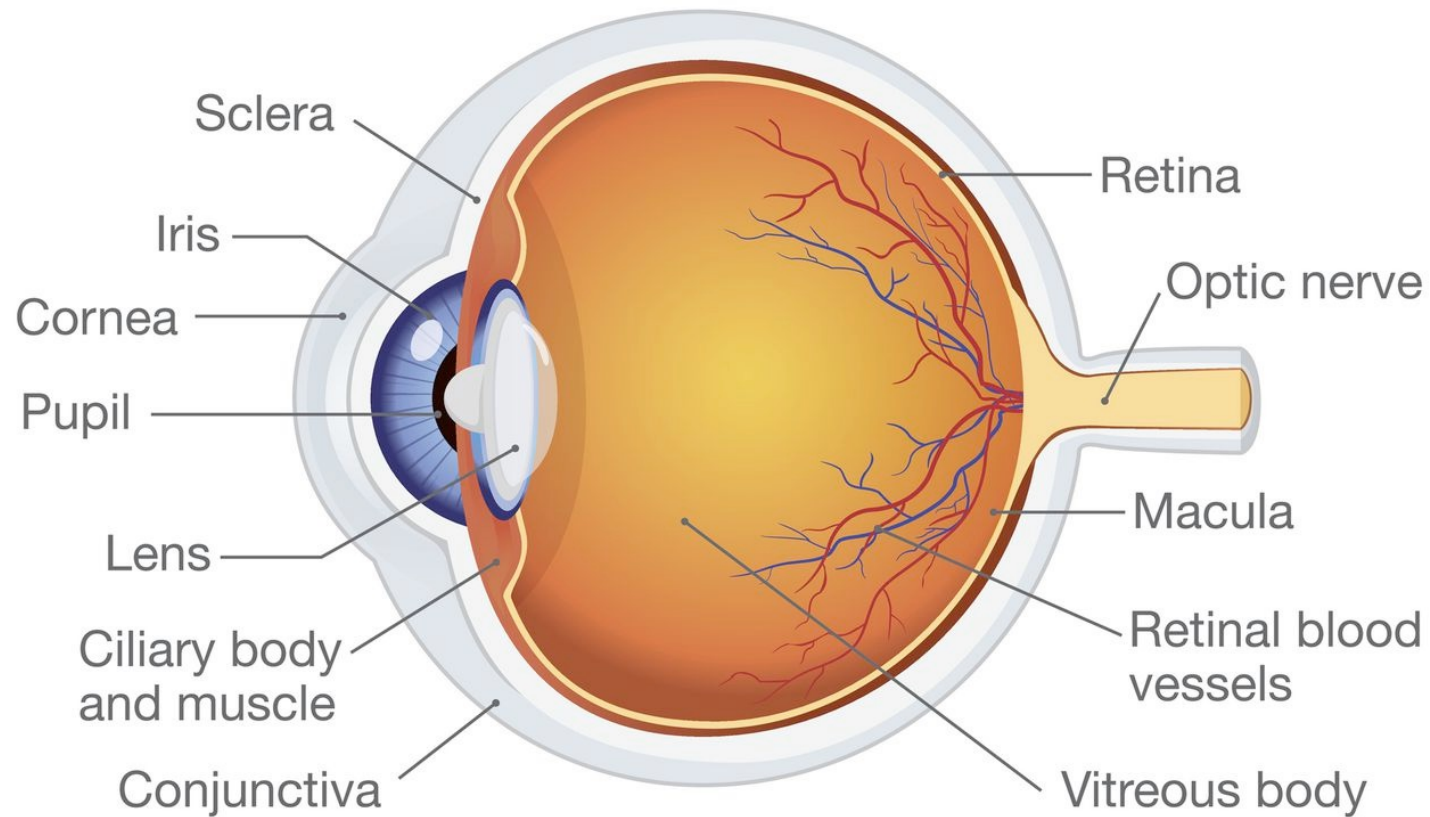


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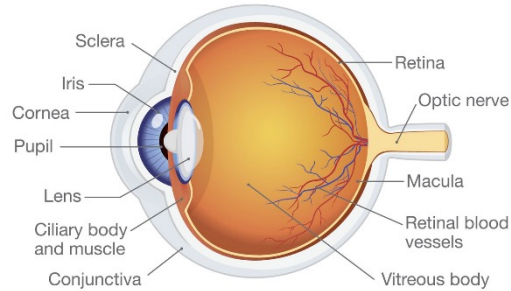
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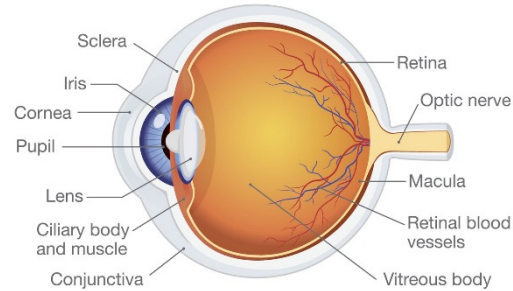
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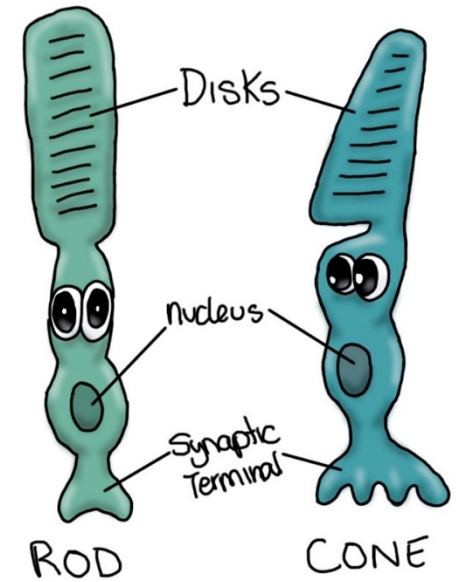
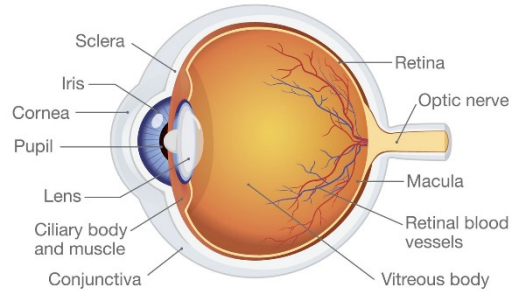
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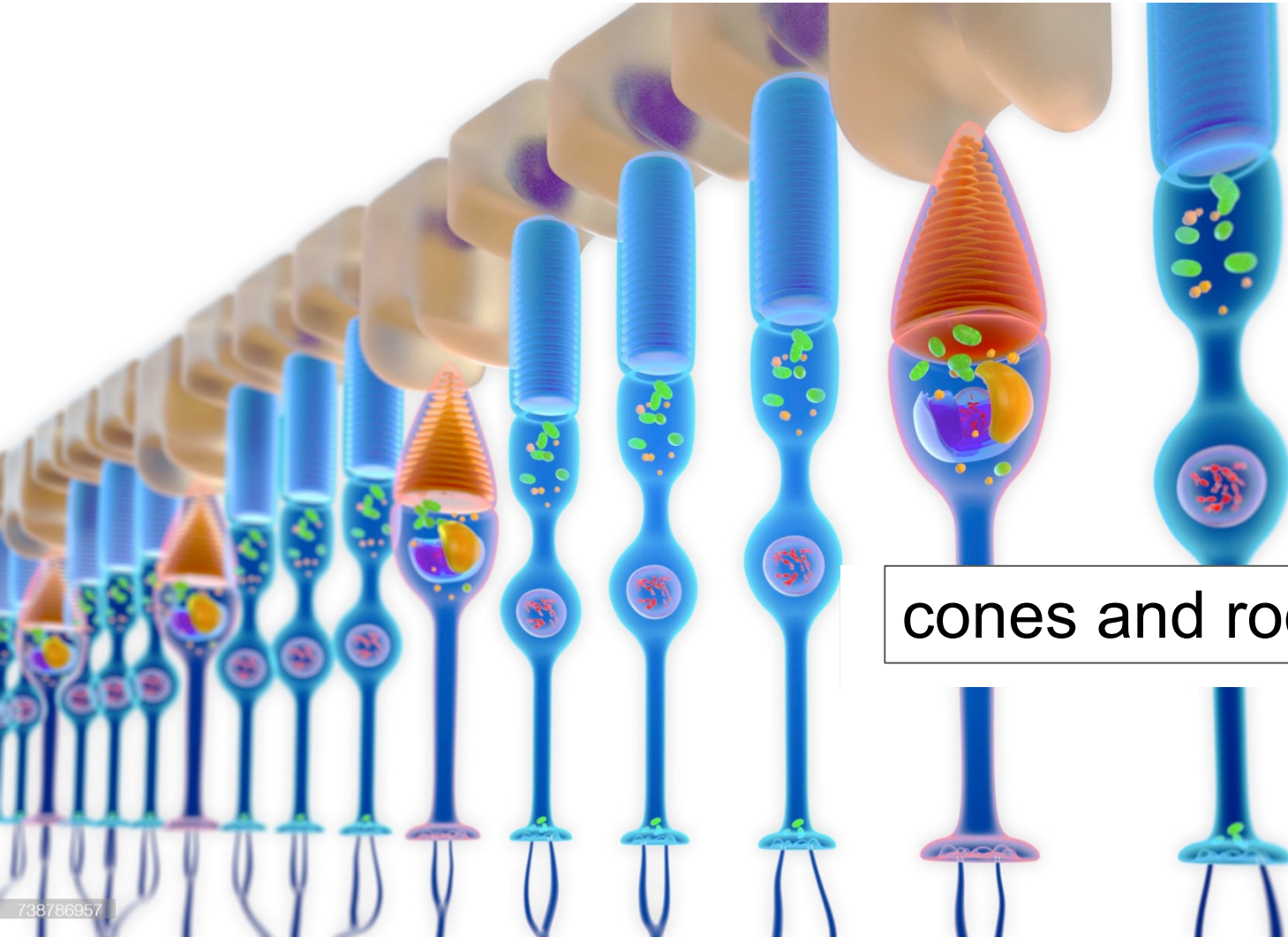
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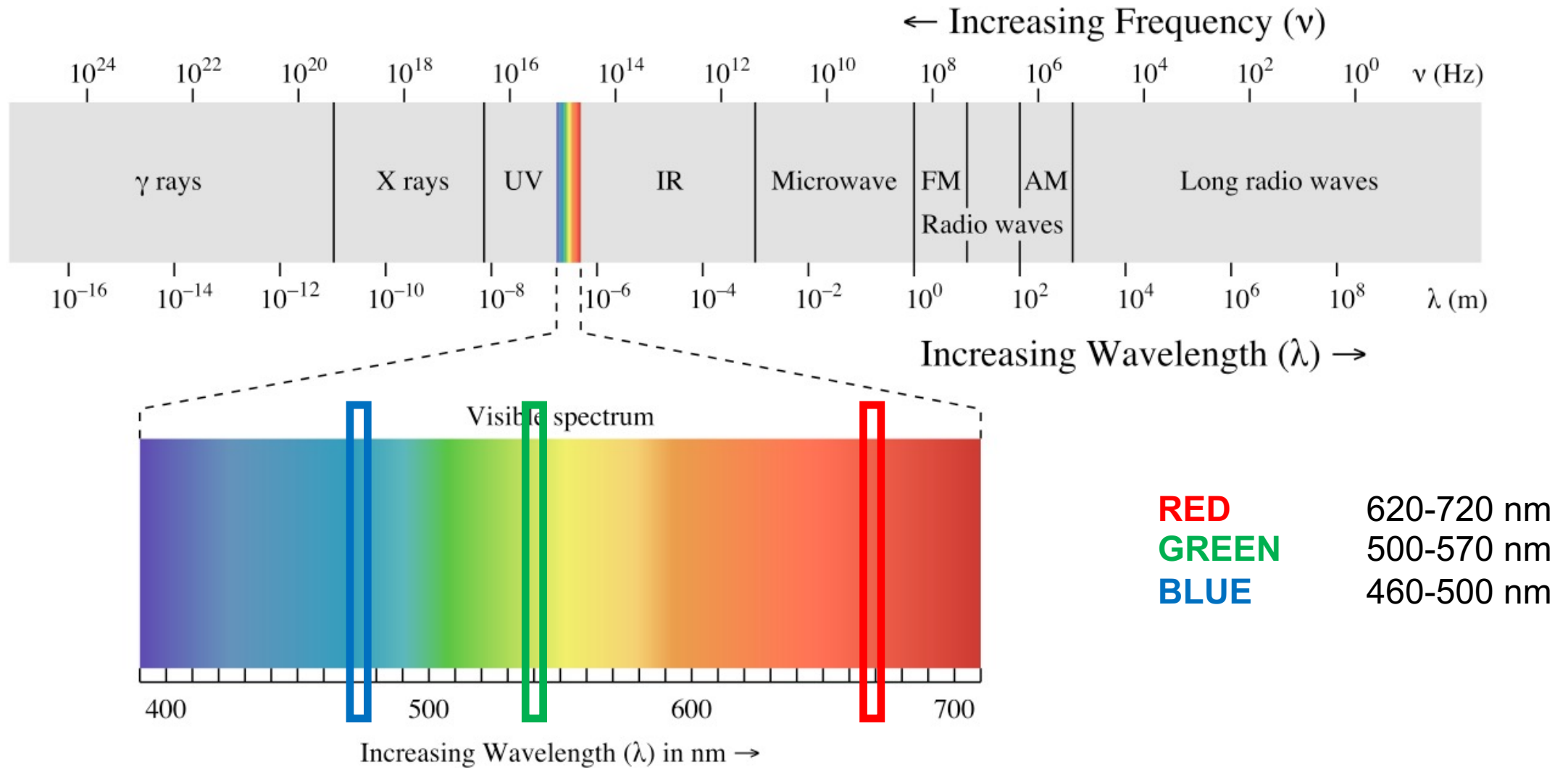
Responsible of vision at low level light
Scotopic vision
Aprox. 100 million

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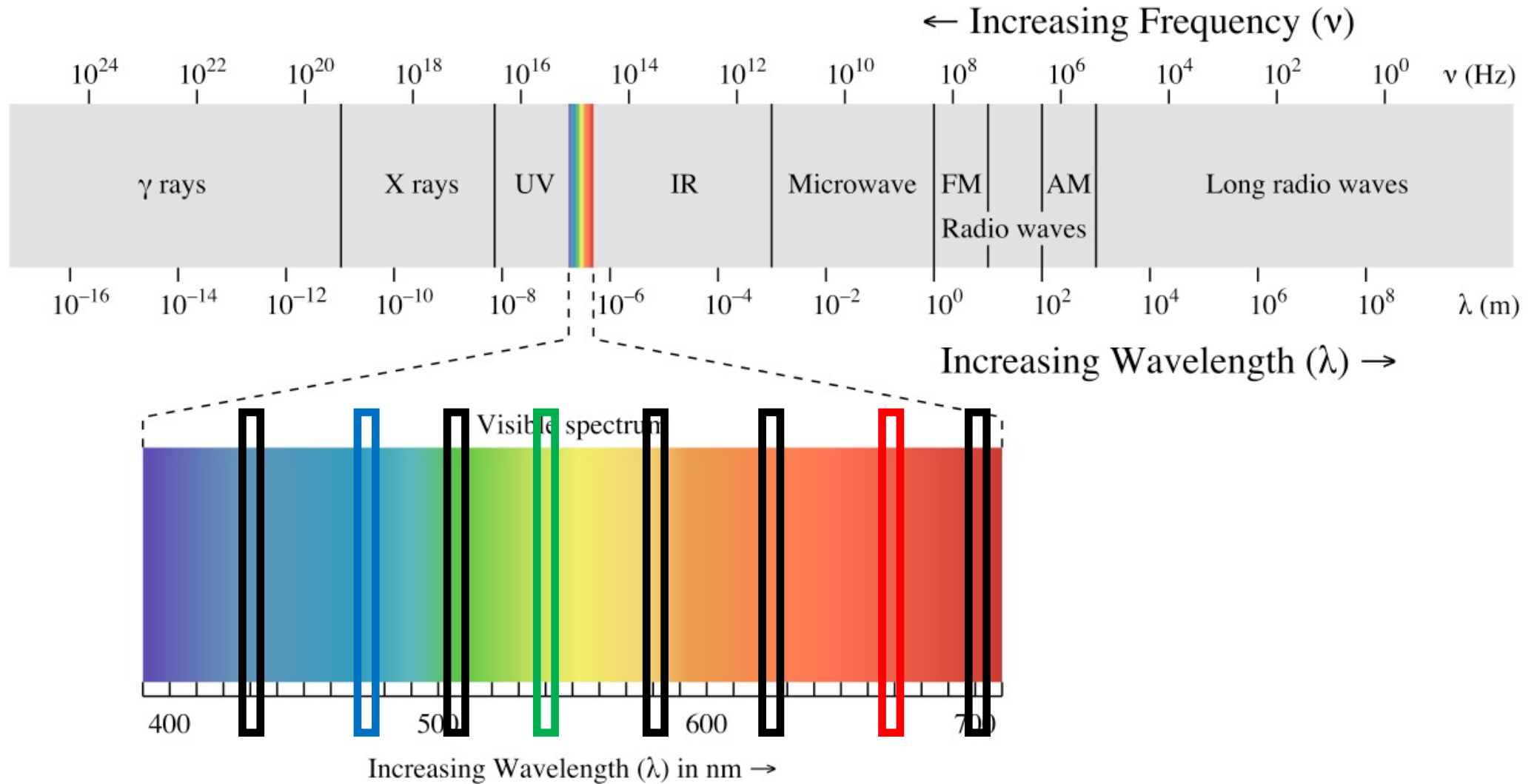
Contain photopigments
Active at higher light levels
Photopic vision
Perception of color
Aprox. 7 million
Three types: L (red)
S (blue)
M (green)

The proportion of the light recognized by these three cone types is interpreted by the brain, determining the colors

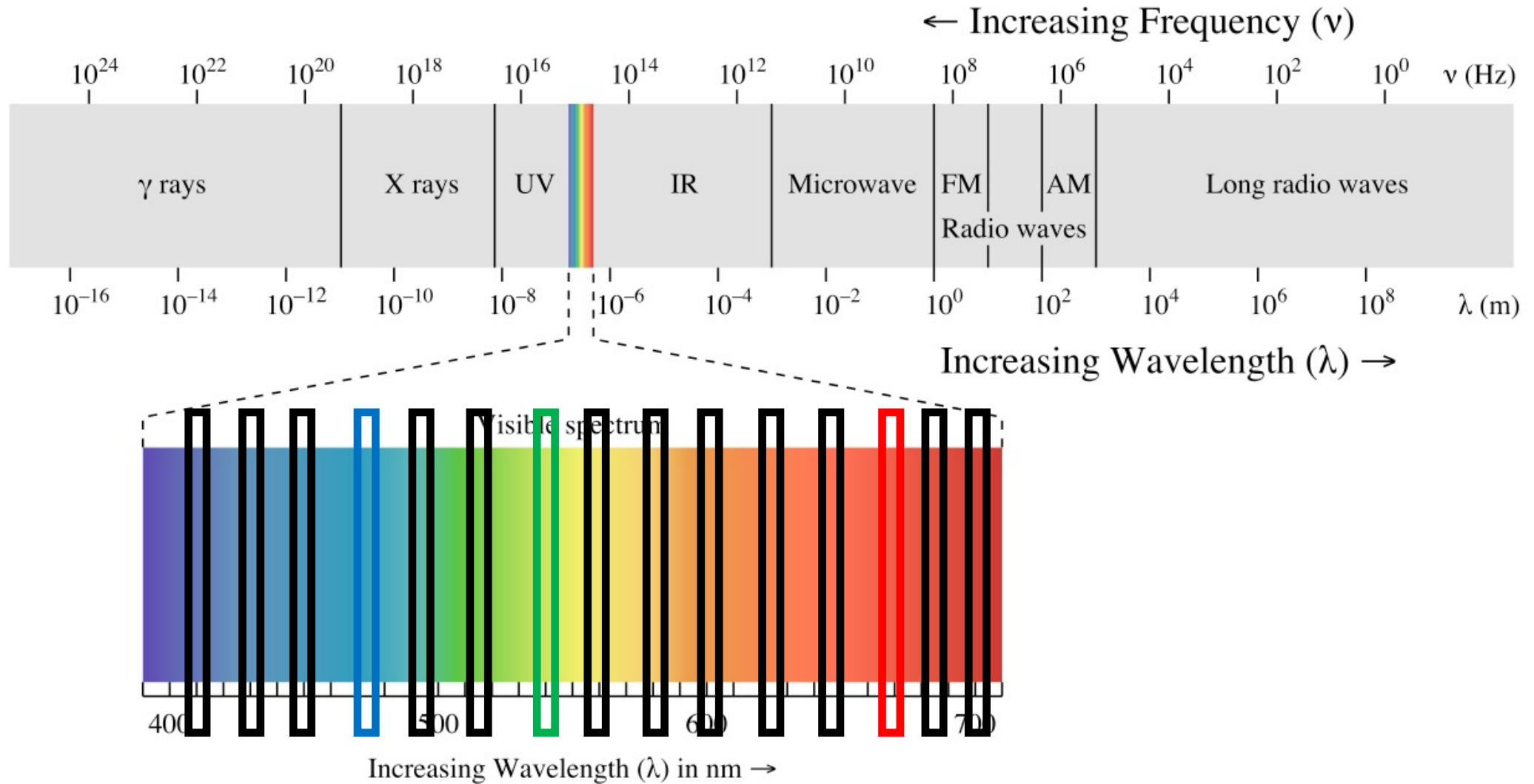
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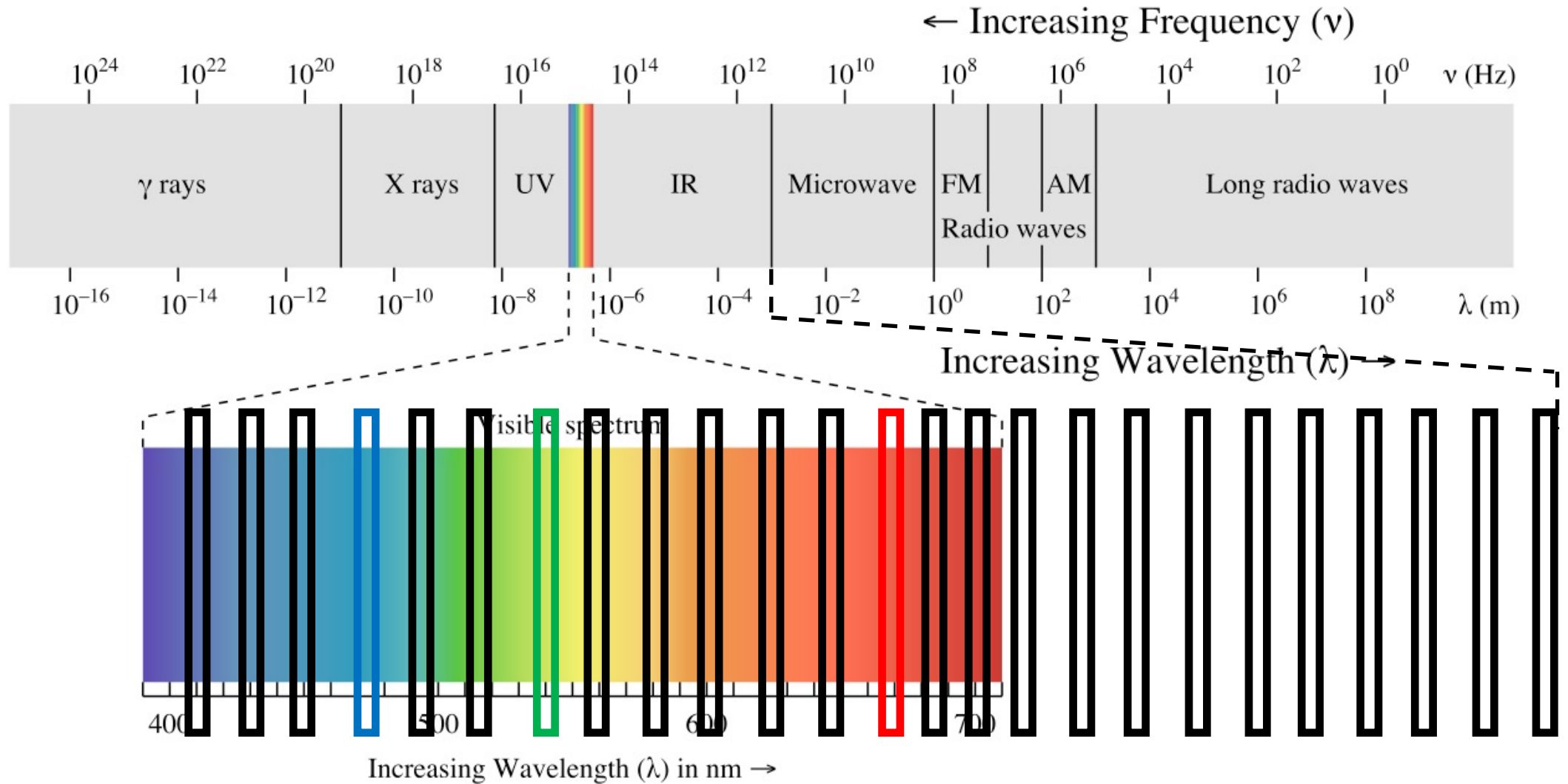
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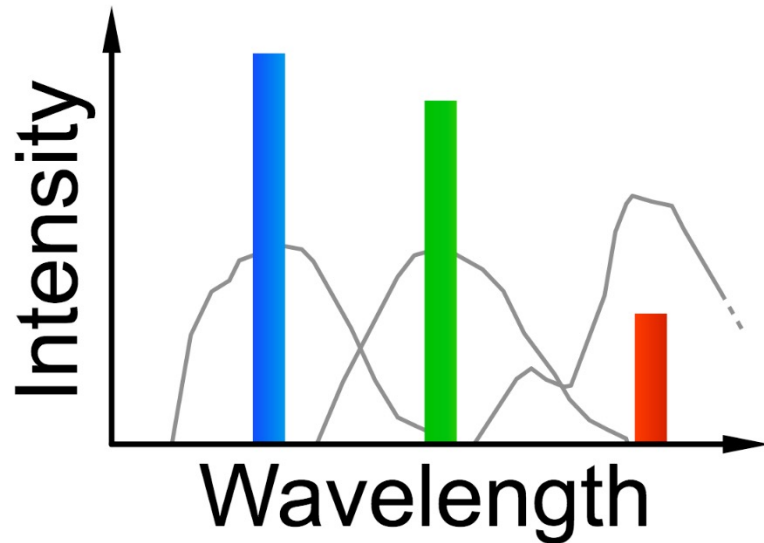


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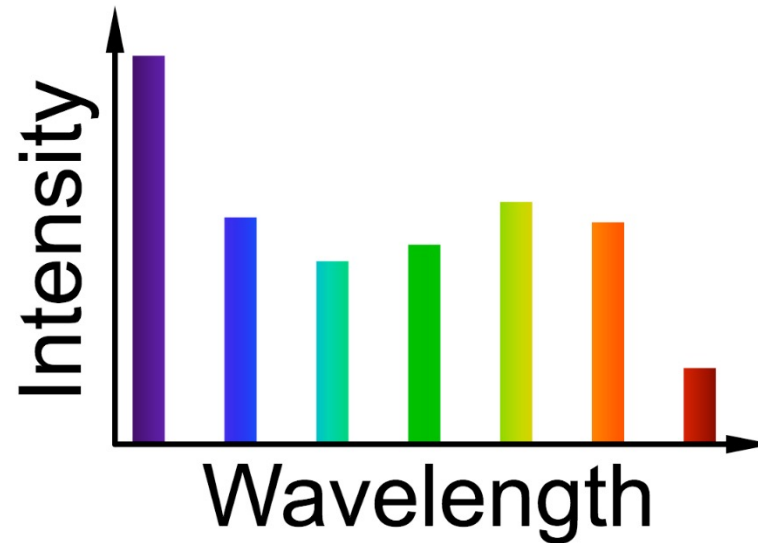


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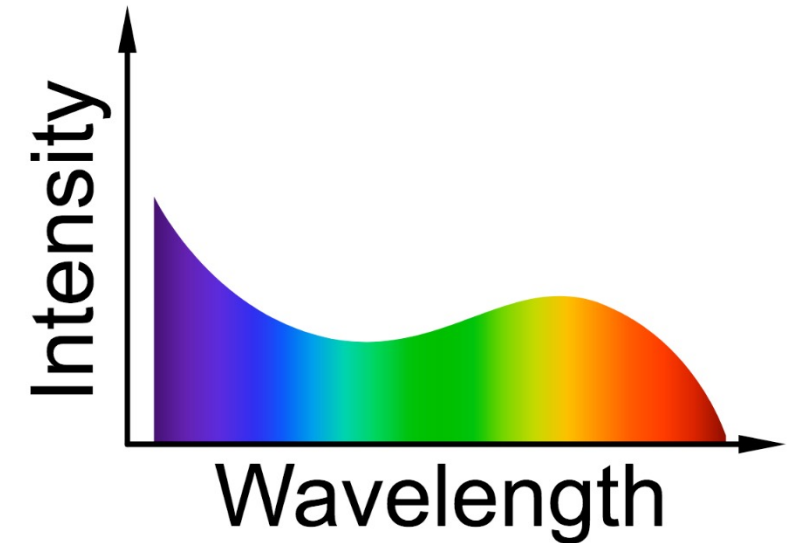
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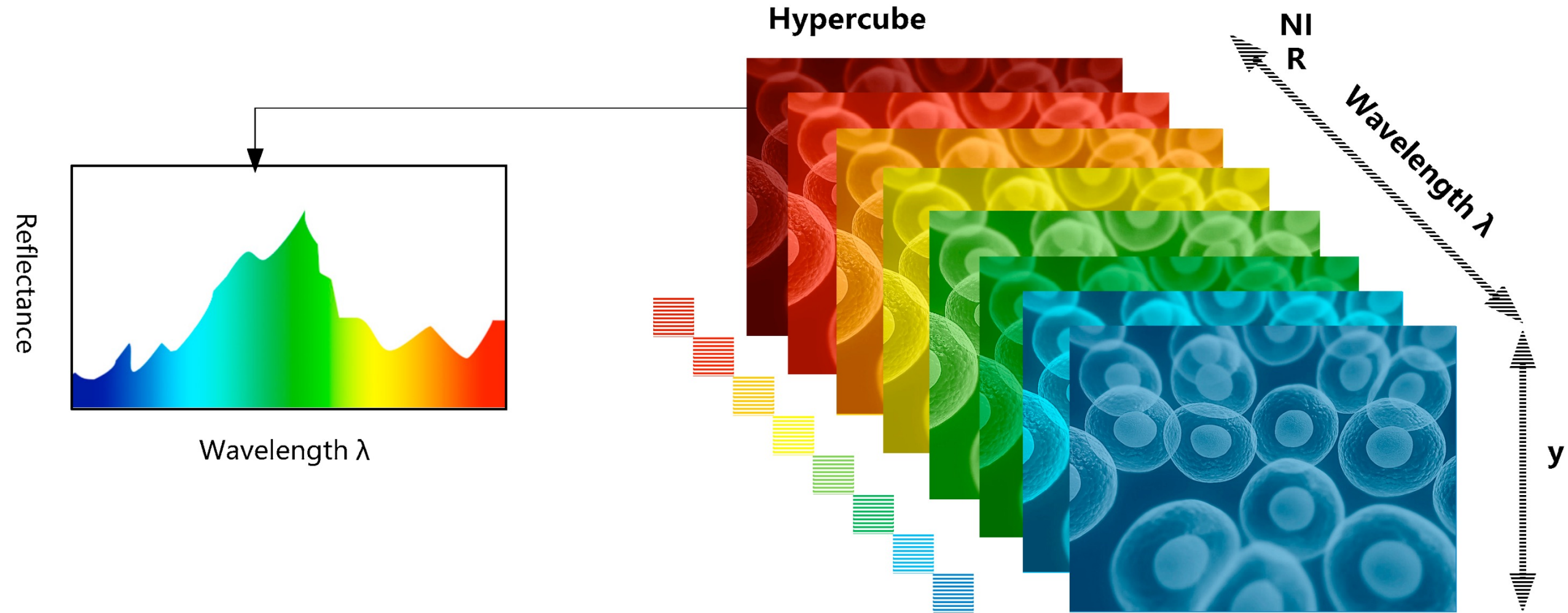
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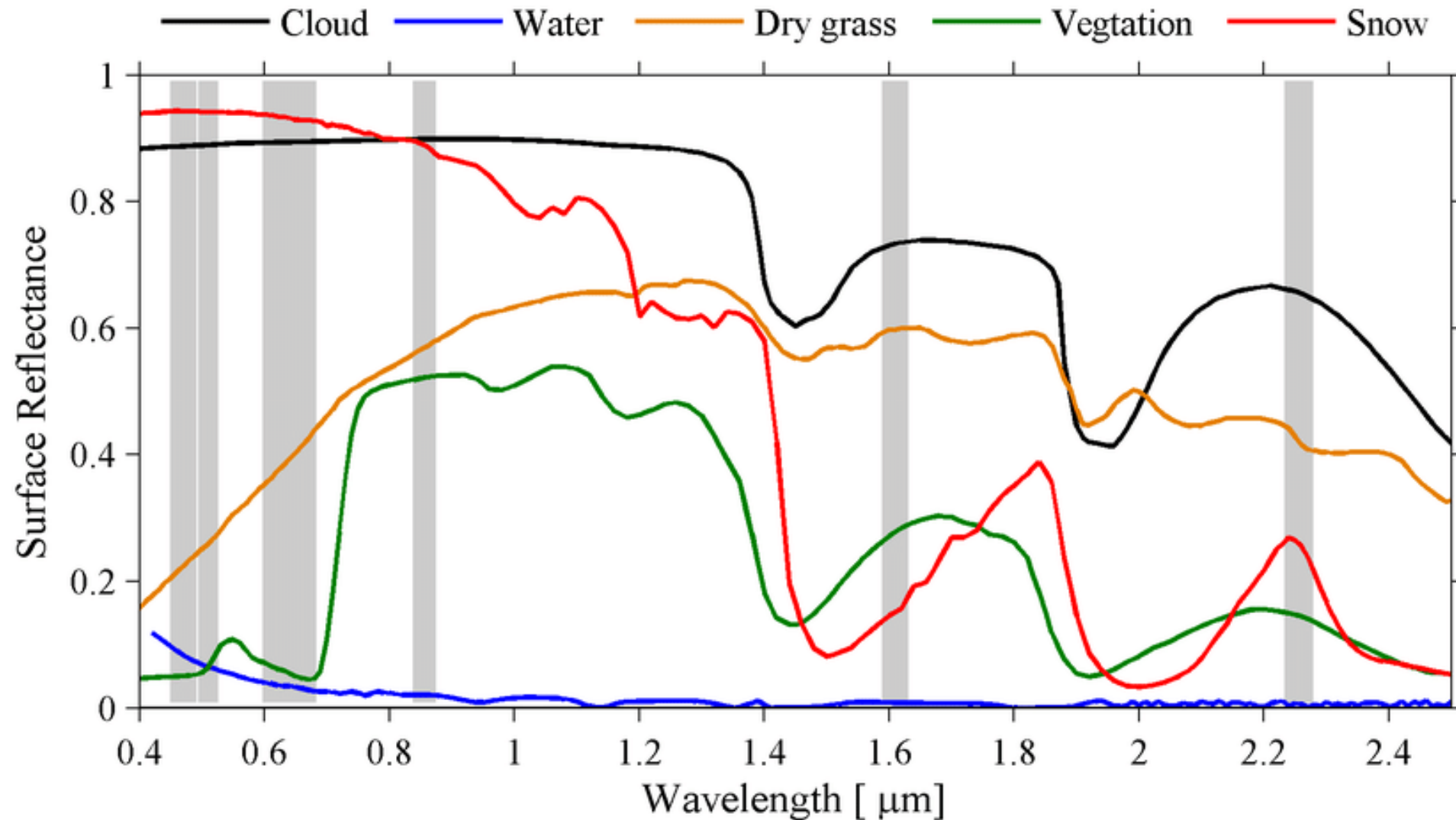
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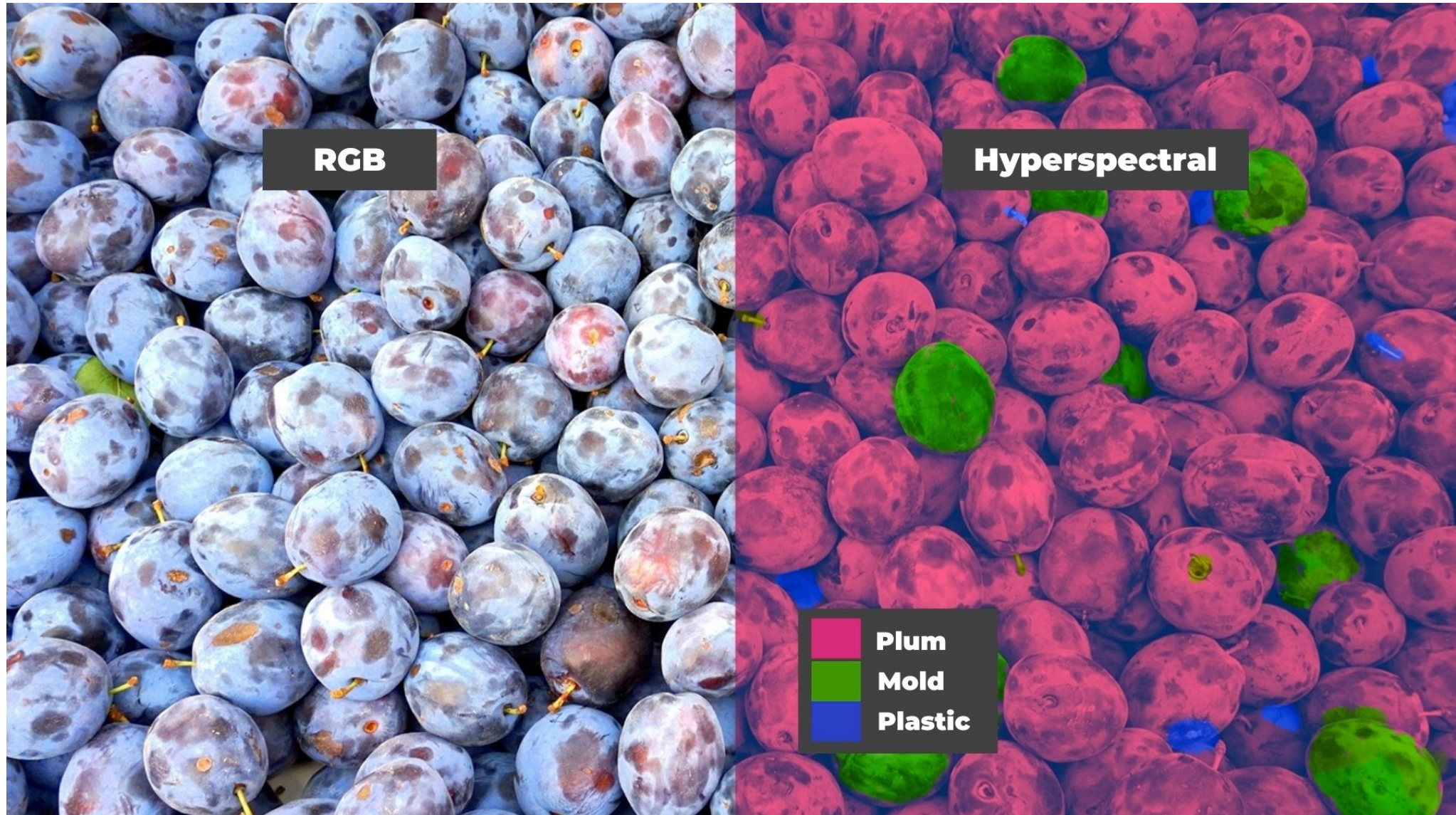
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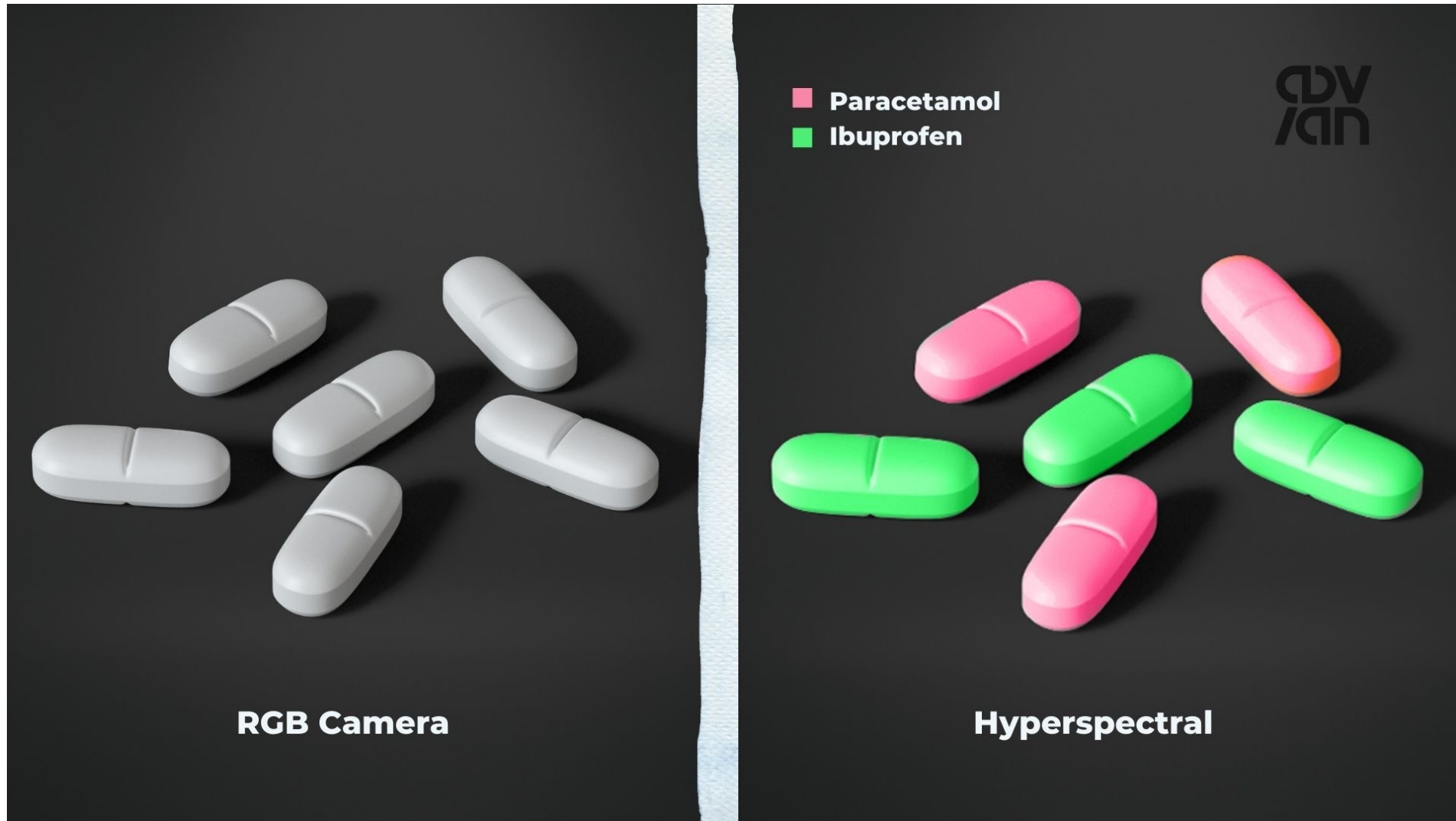
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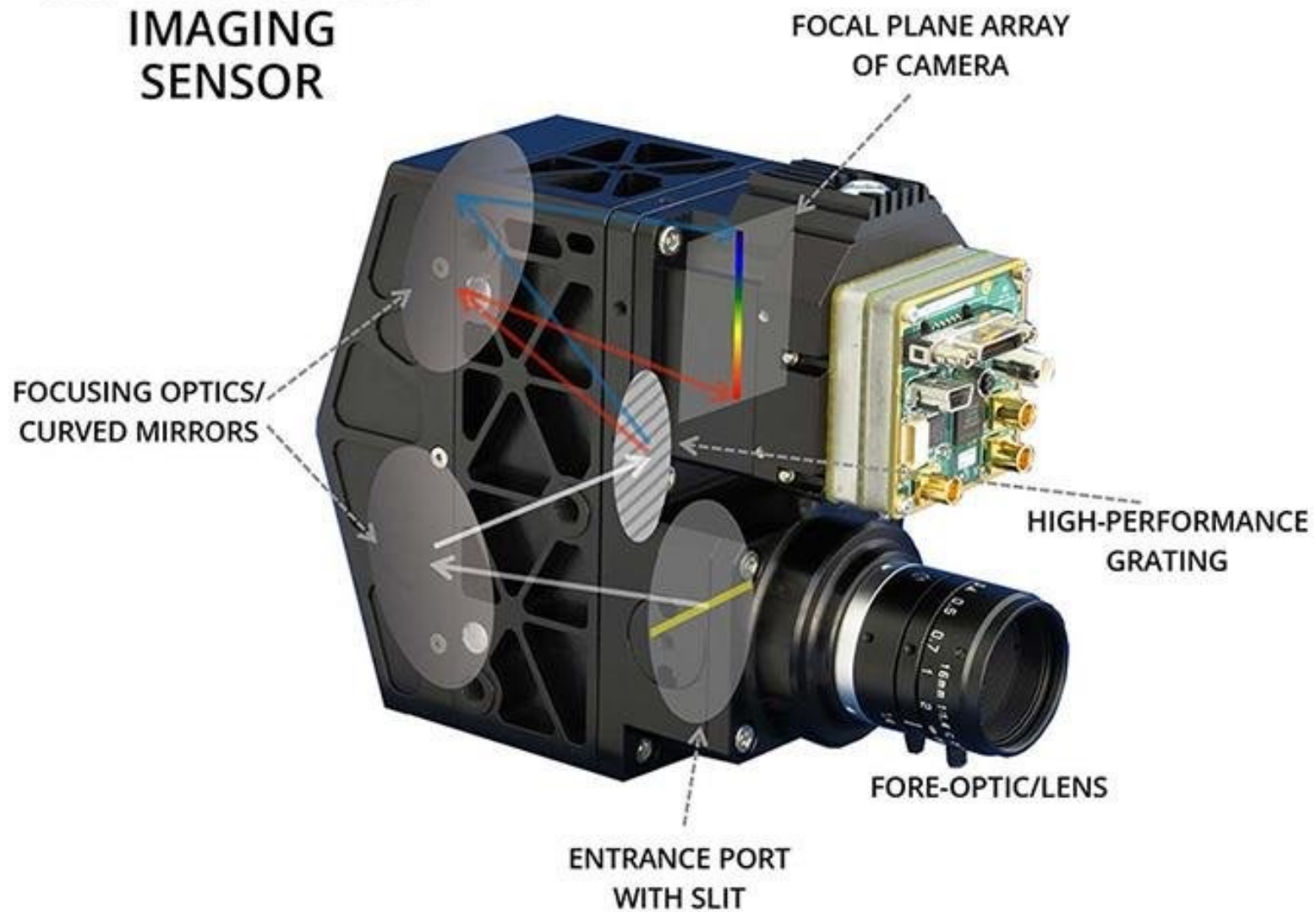


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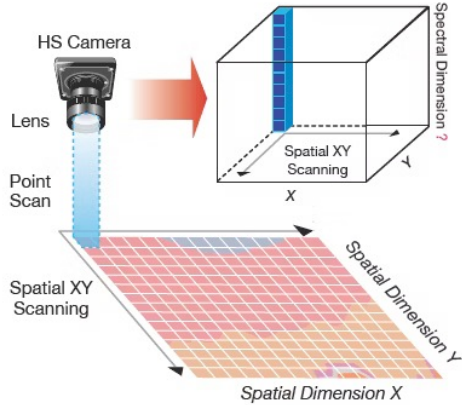
Seeing the invisible

HYPERSPECTRAL IMAGING SENSOR

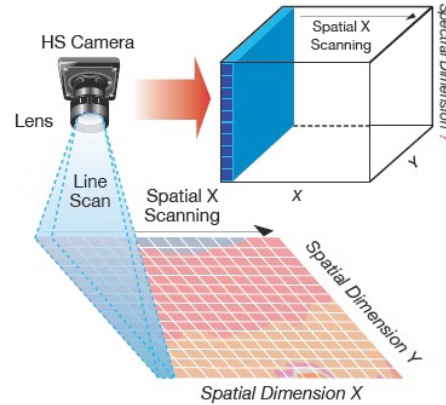


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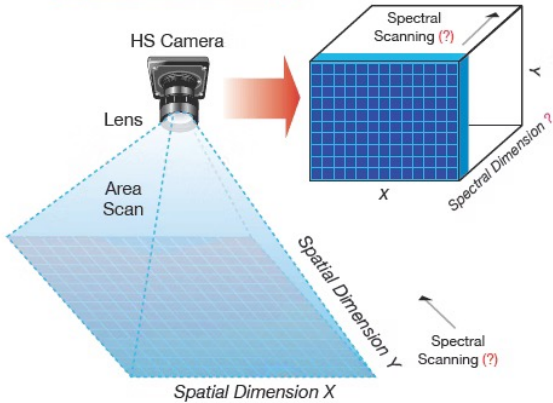
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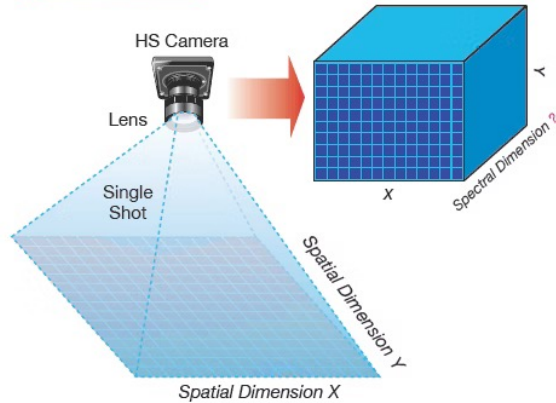
B Pushbroom Scanning



C Spectral Scanning



D Snapshot



WHISKBROOM SCANNING

- Captures one single pixel at a time
- Very high spectral resolution

PUSHBROOM SCANNING

- Captures one line at a time
- Very high spectral resolution

SPECTRAL SCANNING

- Entire spatial information for all bands at a time
- Produces cubes slowly

SNAPSHOT SCANNING

- Fast for moving objects
- Limited spectral and spatial resolution

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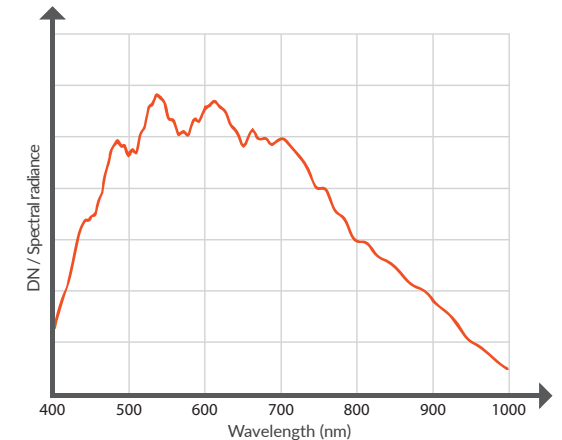
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SPECIM
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FEATURES

- Spectral range of 400-1000 / 400-780 nm
- High spatial resolution of 1024 pixels
- High image speed of 330 FPS (full range)
- Free wavelength selection from 224 bands within the camera coverage
- Built-in image correction
- Unified spectral calibration between units
- GigE or CameraLink standard interfaces
- Easy mounting to industrial environment

SPECTRAL RESPONSE



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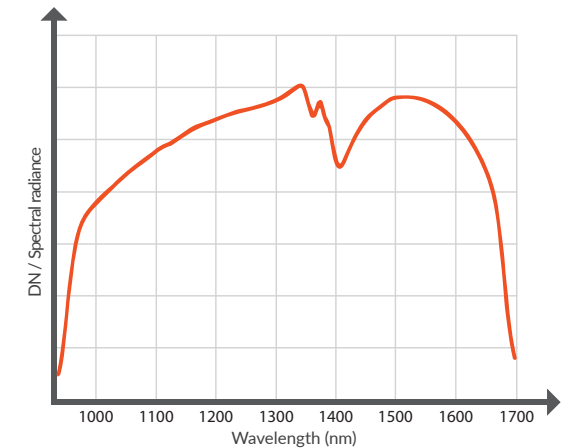
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FEATURES

- Spectral range of 900-1700 nm
- High spatial resolution of 640 pixels
- High image speed
 - 670 FPS (full range) for GigE version
 - 527 FPS (full range) for CameraLink version
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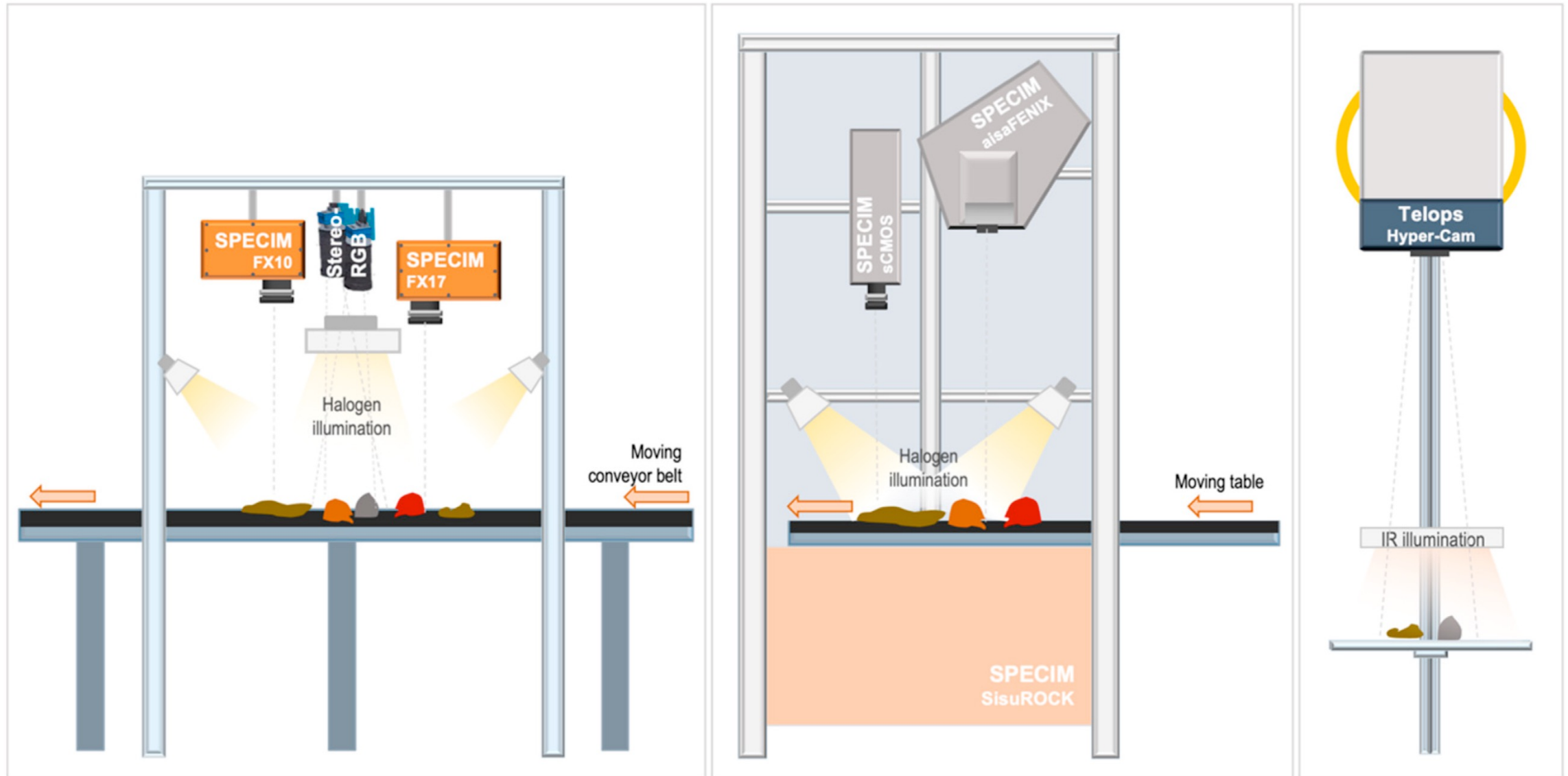


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Hyperspec® SWIR	
Wavelength Range (nm)	900-2500
Aperture	F/2.0
Entrance Slit Width	25 μm
Dispersion/Pixel (nm/pixel)	6
FWHM Slit Image	6.3 nm
Slit Length	12 mm
Spectral Resolution	12 nm
Spectral Bands	267
Spatial Bands	384
Smile - Aberration-corrected	Yes
Keystone - Aberration-corrected	Yes
Detector	Stirling-cooled MCT
Max. Frame Rate (Hz)	450
Pixel Pitch	24 μm
Read A/D	16-Bit
Camera Control Interface	Base CameraLink and RS232
Weight (lb / kg)	9.6 / 4.4
Max. Power (W)	14.4

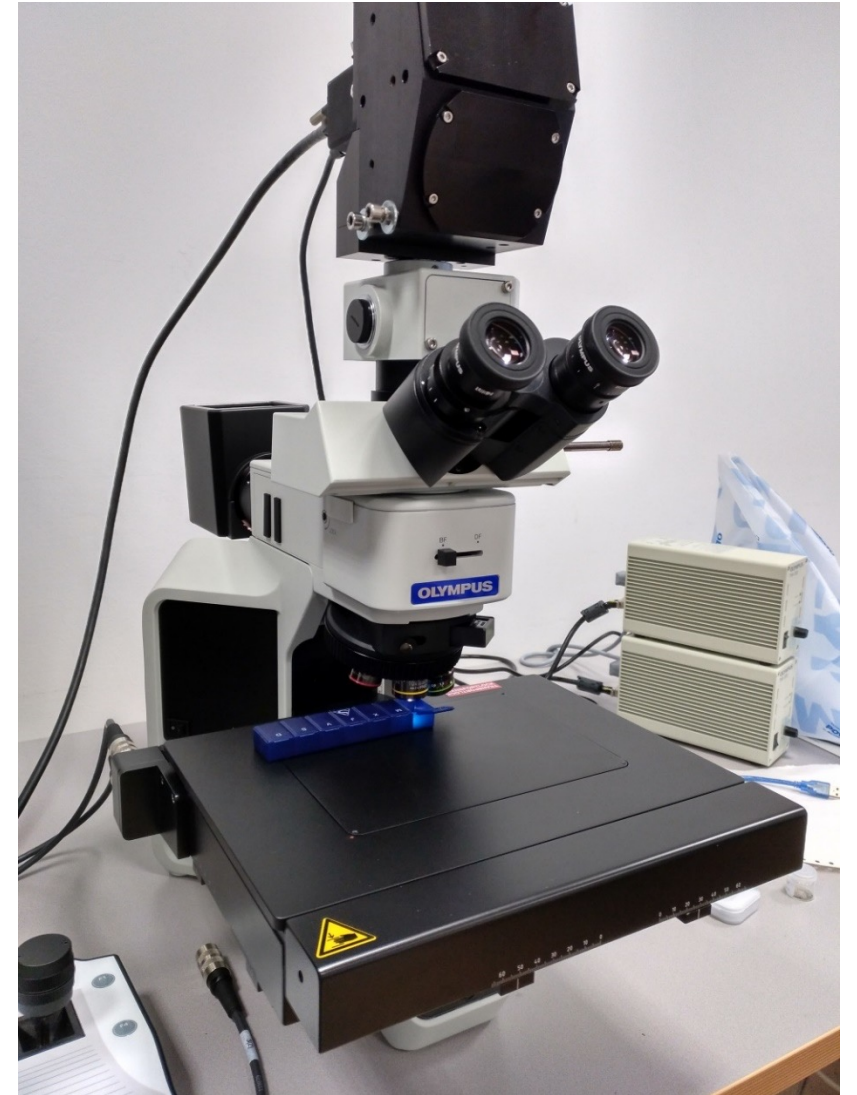
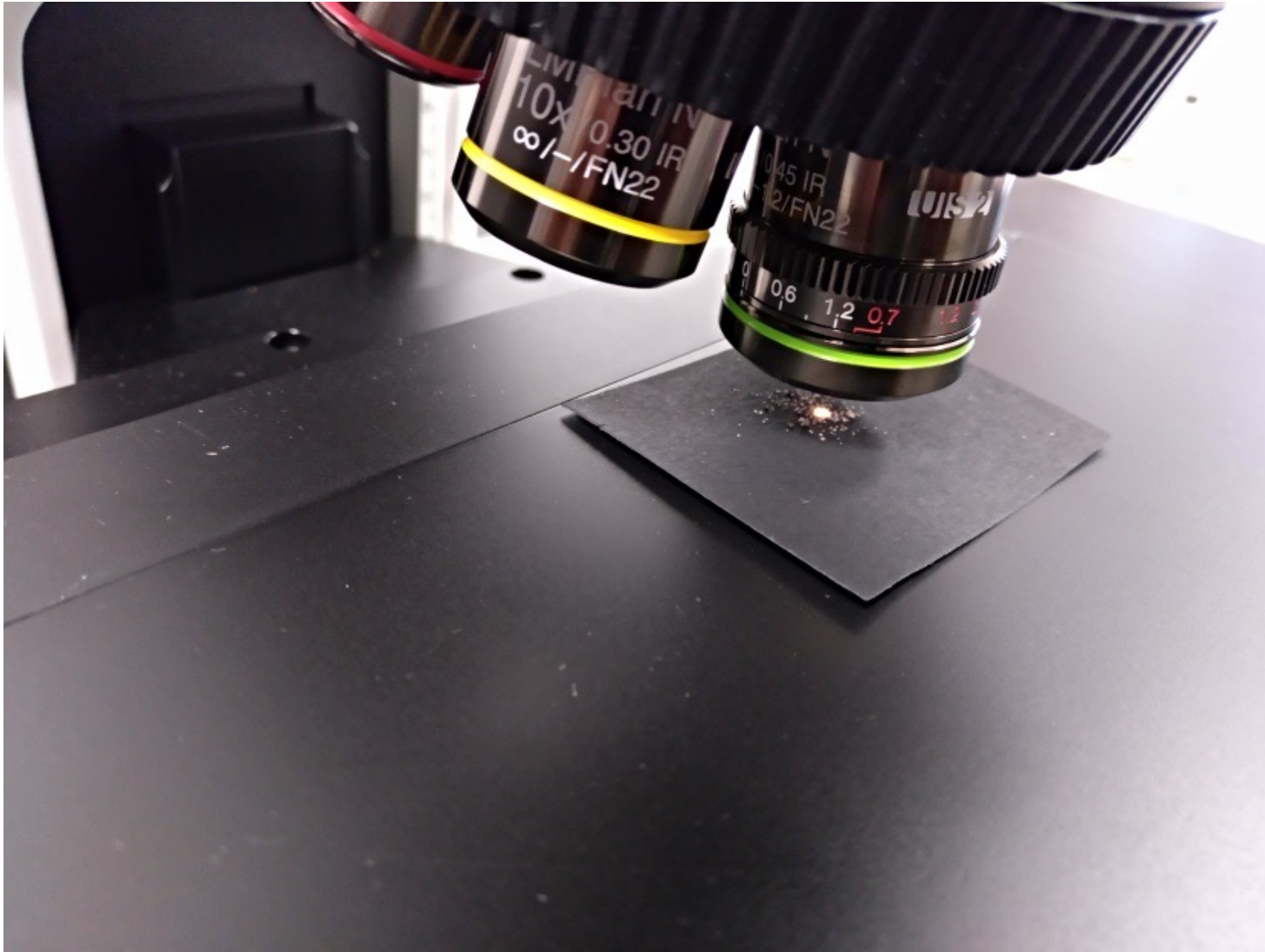
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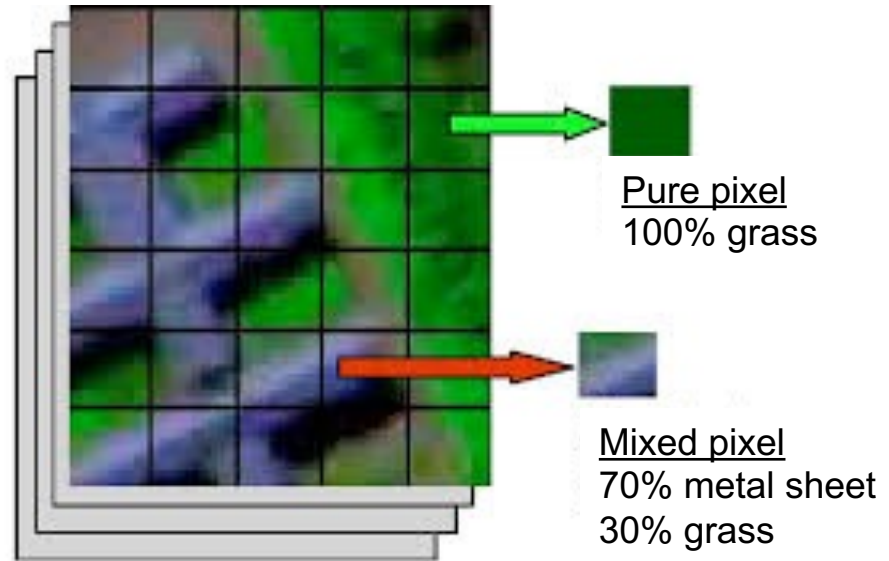
- Applications
- **Compression**
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- Reducing prices
 - Specially for on-board applications (i.e. satellites, drones...)
 - Reduce the on-board memory requirements
 - Communication channel capacity restrictions
 - Reduce download time
 - Lossless vs. Lossy vs. Near lossless compression
 - Spatial and spectral correlation
 - CCSDS-123



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- Spectral unmixing is normally the first step in the analysis
- Pixels consist of a mixture of several materials
- Pure materials are named endmembers
- Abundances give the percentage of endmembers in a pixel

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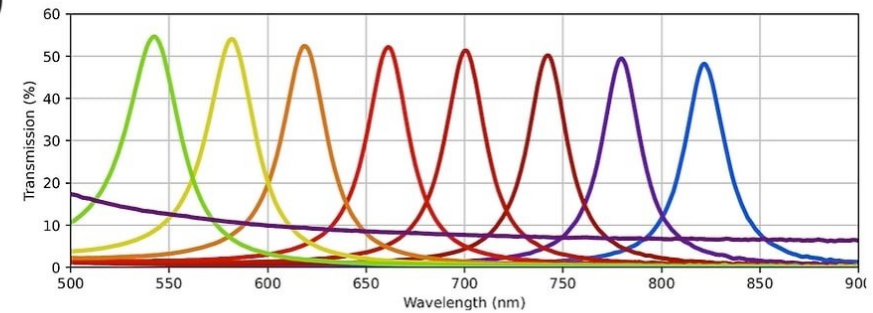
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CMS-V 550-830nm

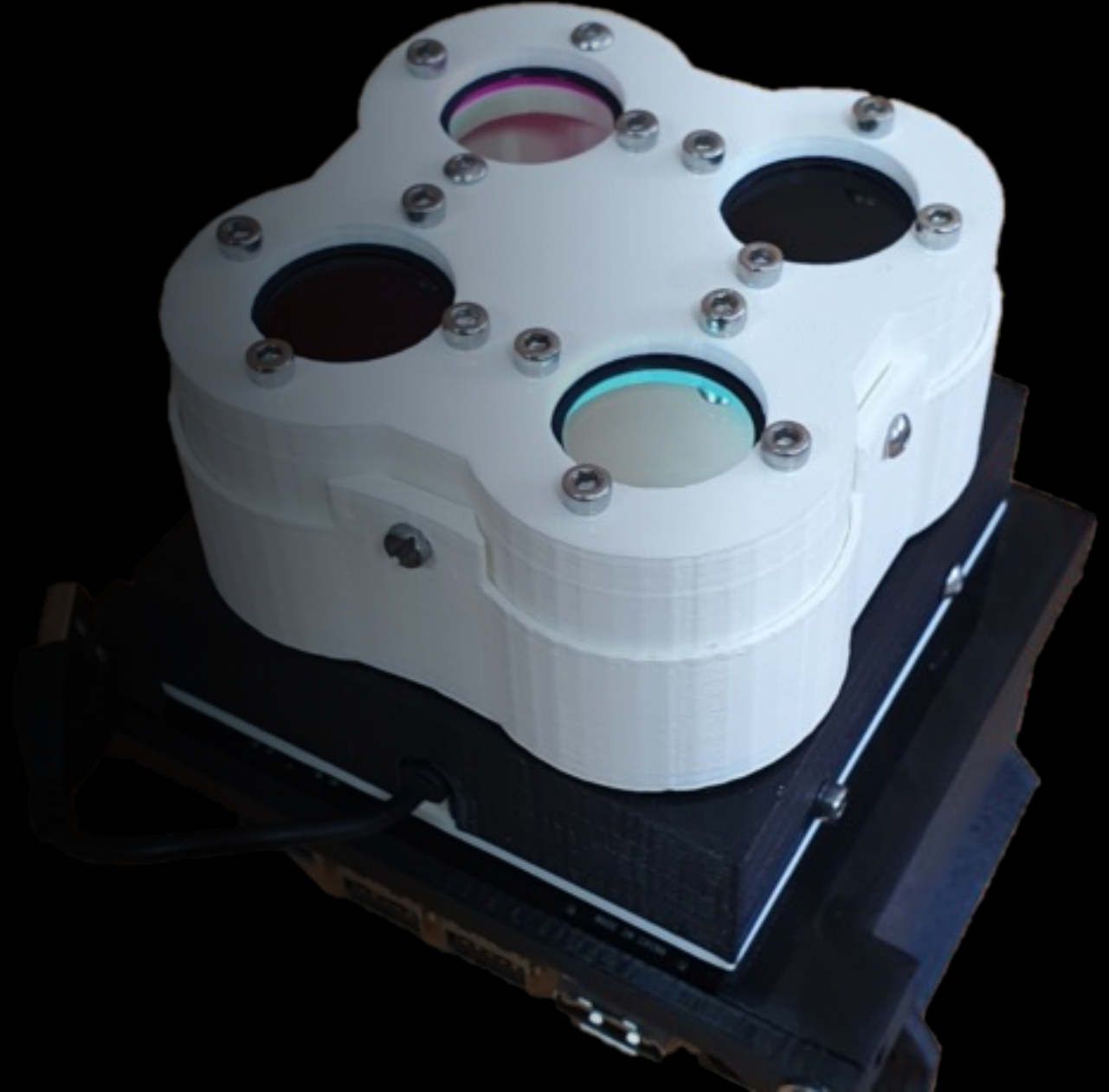
Typical CMS-V filter transmission spectrum



- Multispectral cameras have lower prices
- DIY cameras



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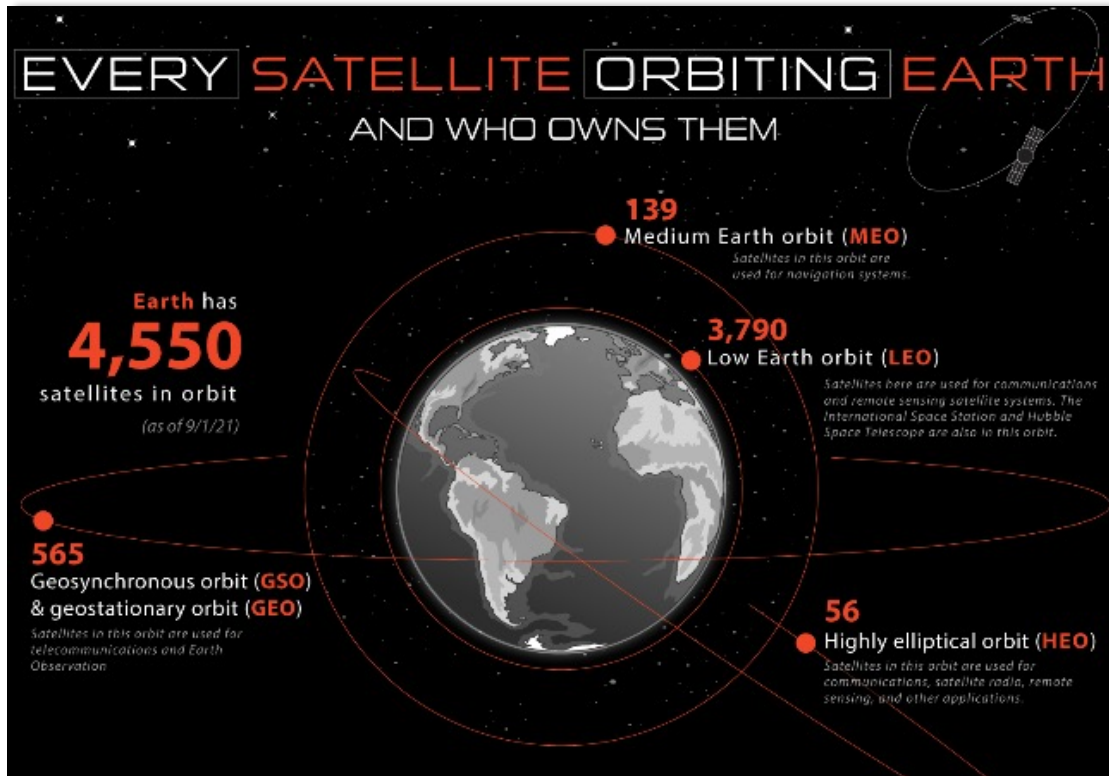


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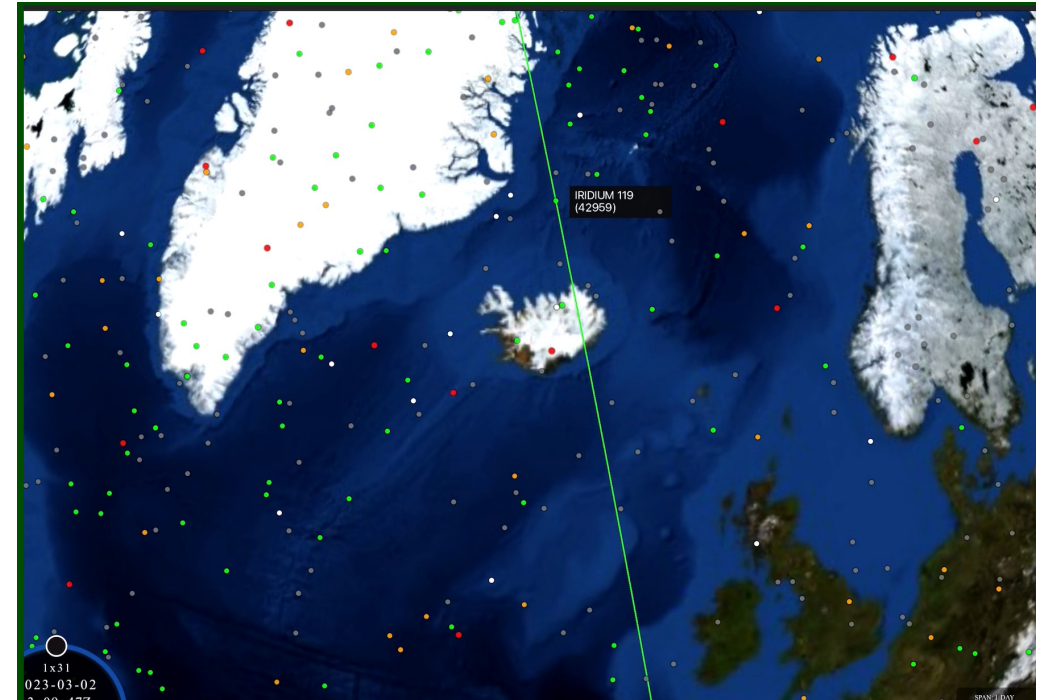
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Satellites for Earth Observation and Space Crafts

- Satellites
 - Low Earth Orbit(LEO)
 - Medium Earth Orbit (MEO)
 - Geosynchronous (GSO) & Geostationary (GEO)
 - Highly Elliptical Order (HEO)



Satellites by application	2013-2017	2018-2022
Earth Observation (EO)	58%	50%
Scientific	26%	16%
Technology	12%	10%
Communications	4%	22%
Novel applications	0%	3%



Source: spaceaware.io

Iridium 119 ([October 9, 2017](#)) [783.2 / 786.3 km]
Period: 100.4 minutes

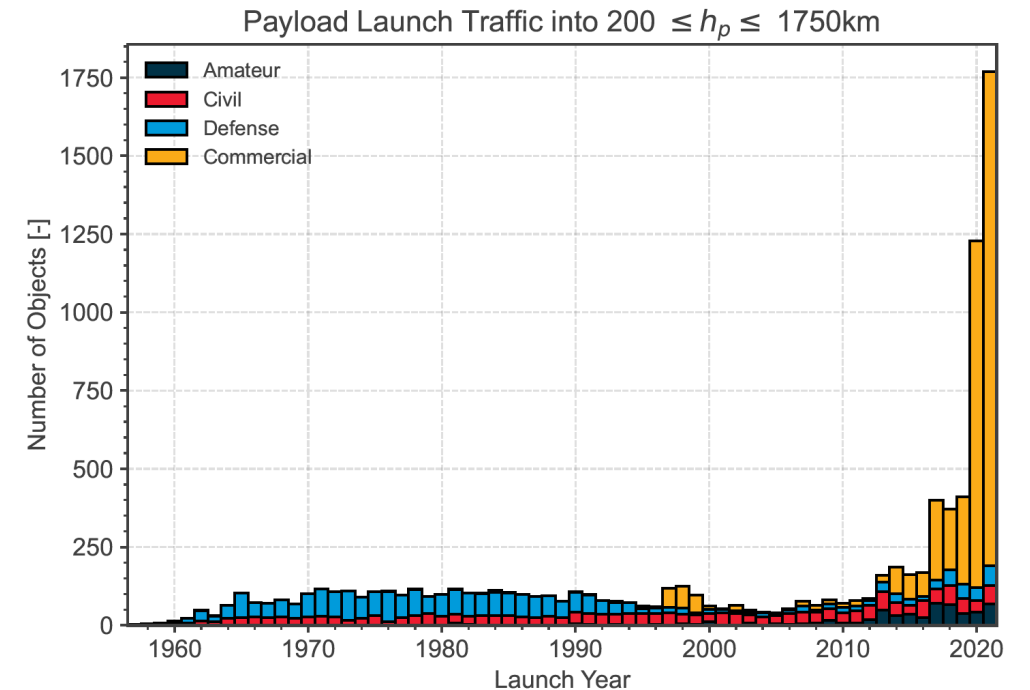
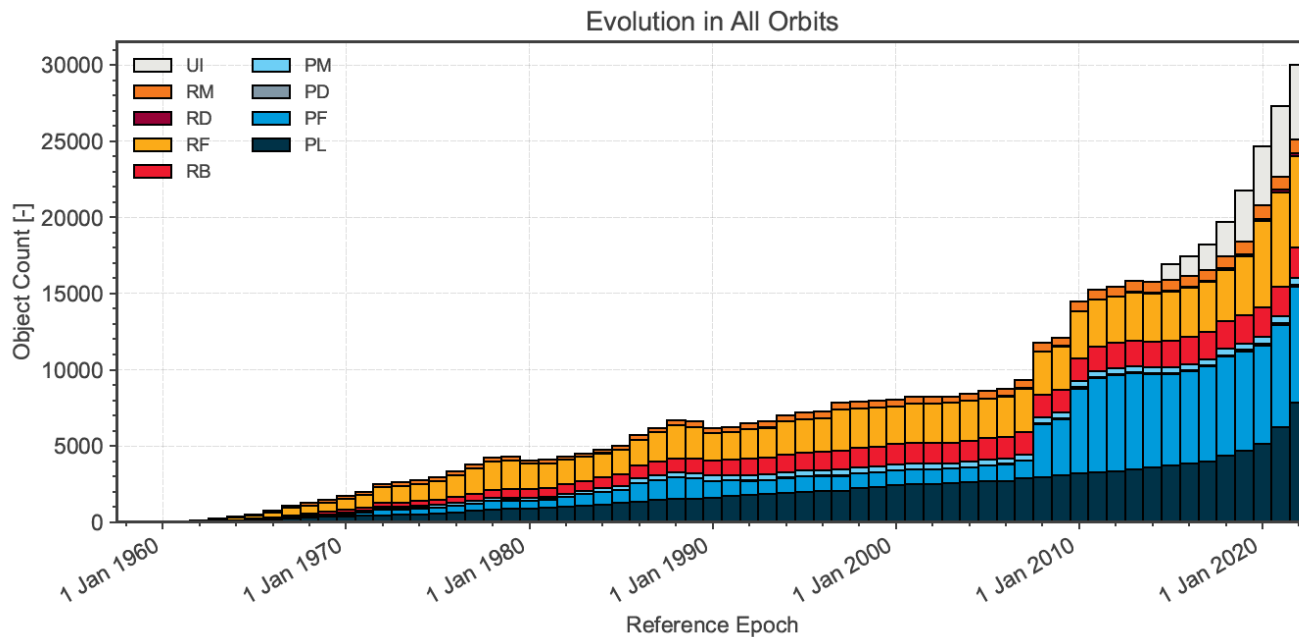
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- Satellites and debris

- PL Payload
- PF Payload Fragmentation Debris
- PD Payload Debris
- PM Payload Mission Related Object
- RB Rocket Body
- RF Rocket Fragmentation Debris
- RD Rocket Debris
- RM Rocket Mission Related Object
- UI Unidentified

- Satellites

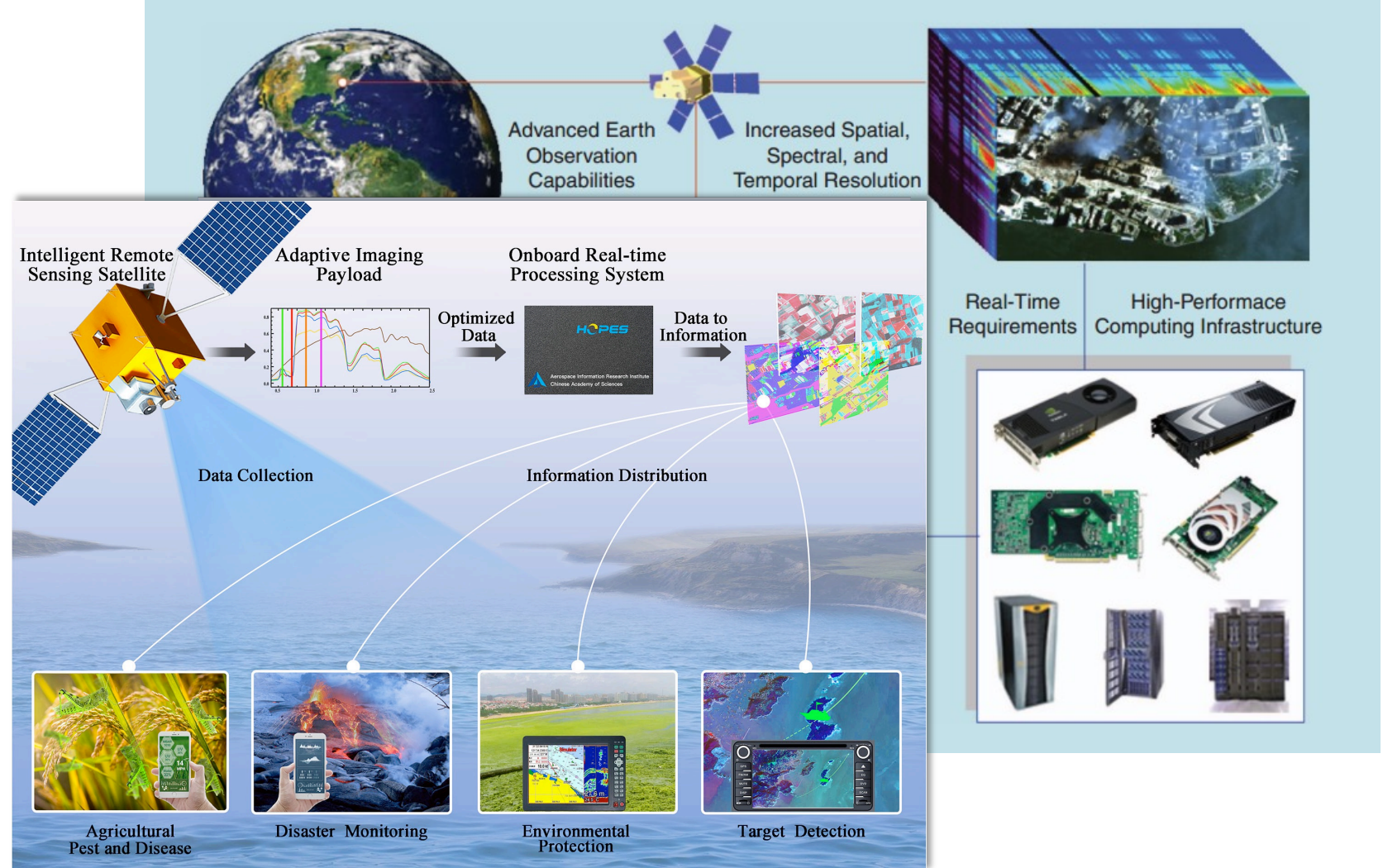
- Commercial use satellites in low orbit has an exponential grow
- Increase demand of *low-cost* systems for **high-performance space computing (HPSC)** and communications using commercial hardware
- New era of remotely sensed big data!!



Source: ESA'S ANNUAL SPACE ENVIRONMENT REPORT, GEN-DB-LOG-00288-OPS-SD, 22 April 2022

Satellites for Earth Observation and Space Crafts

- Processing on-board is becoming mandatory
- From typical processing ...
 - Radiation correction
 - Geometric correction
 - Calibration
 - Compression
- ... to advanced processing:
 - Target detection
 - Classification
 - Cloud detection
 - Extract regions of interest (RoI) or crops of the scene
 - Artificial Intelligence
- “*Satellite information services are moving from large-scale ground stations to on-vehicle, onboard, and hand-held terminals for receiving and transforming*”



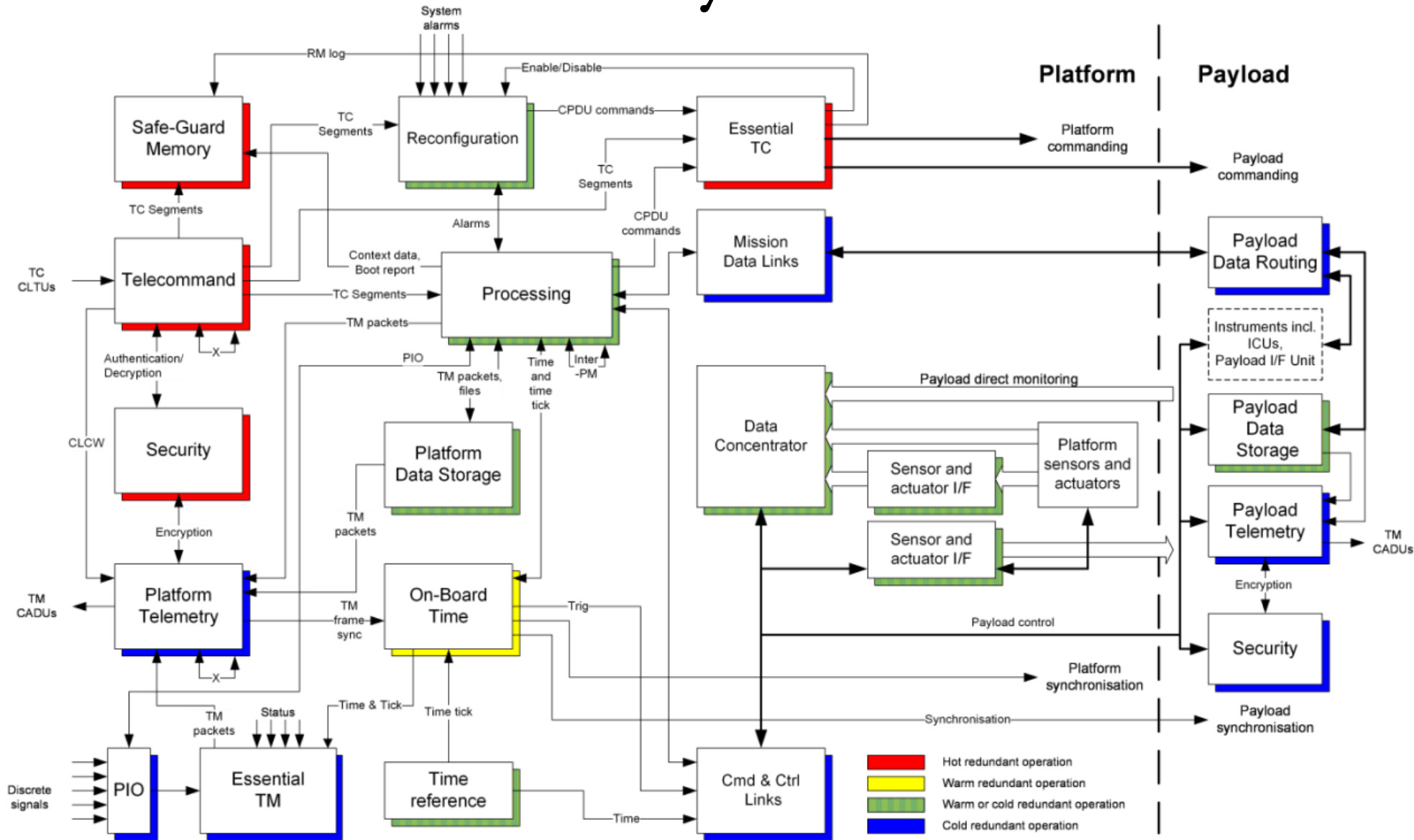
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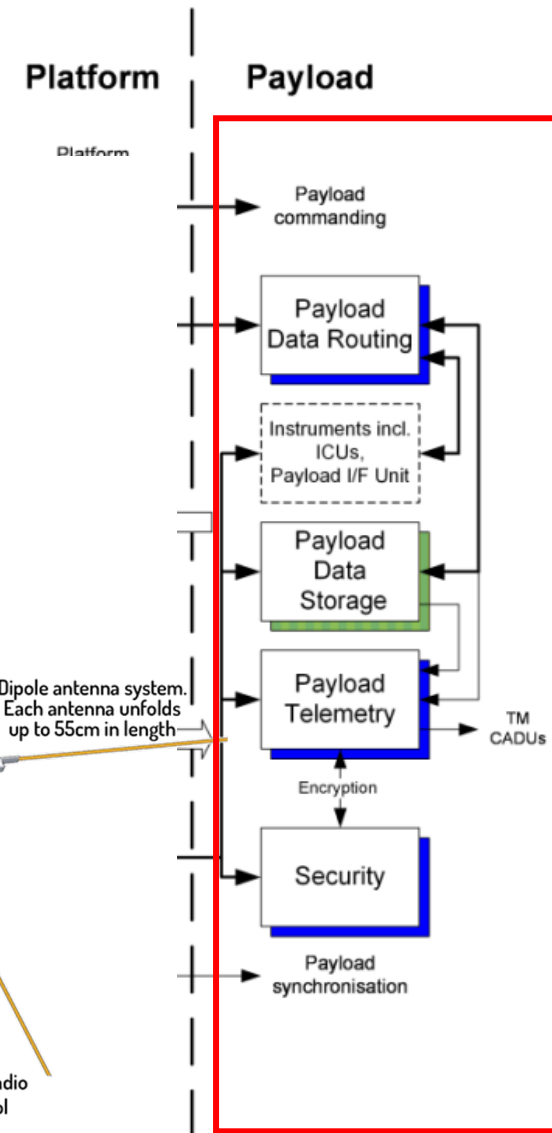
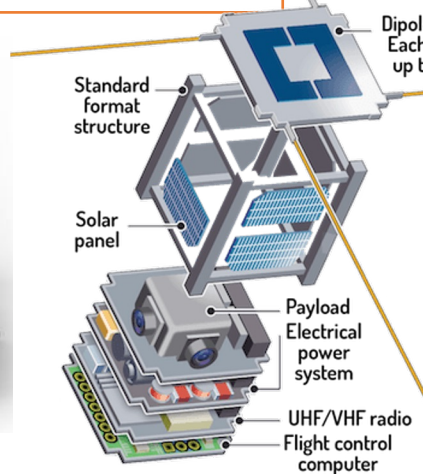
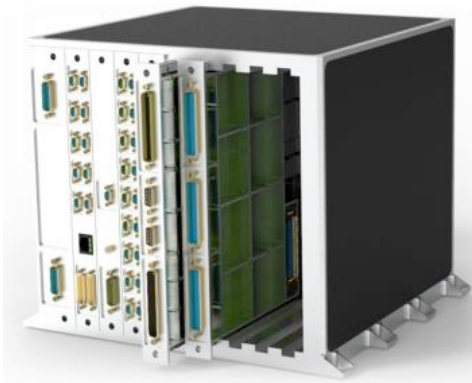
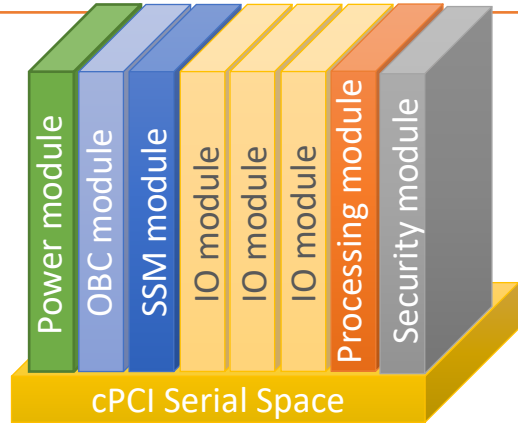
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Satellite Hardware: system overview

System alarms

Advanced Data Handling Architecture Modules Products (ADHA-MP):

- ADHA On-Board Computer Module (AOBCM)
- ADHA Mass Memory Module (A3M)
- ADHA Computing Modules (supporting Artificial Intelligence)
- ADHA Generic I/O Module (RTU/ICU modules)
- ADHA Specific I/O Module for AOCS sensors & actuators
- ADHA Specific I/O Module for propulsion valves
- ADHA Data Processing Modules
- ADHA Motor Drive Electronic Modules
- ADHA Security Modules for PF and/or



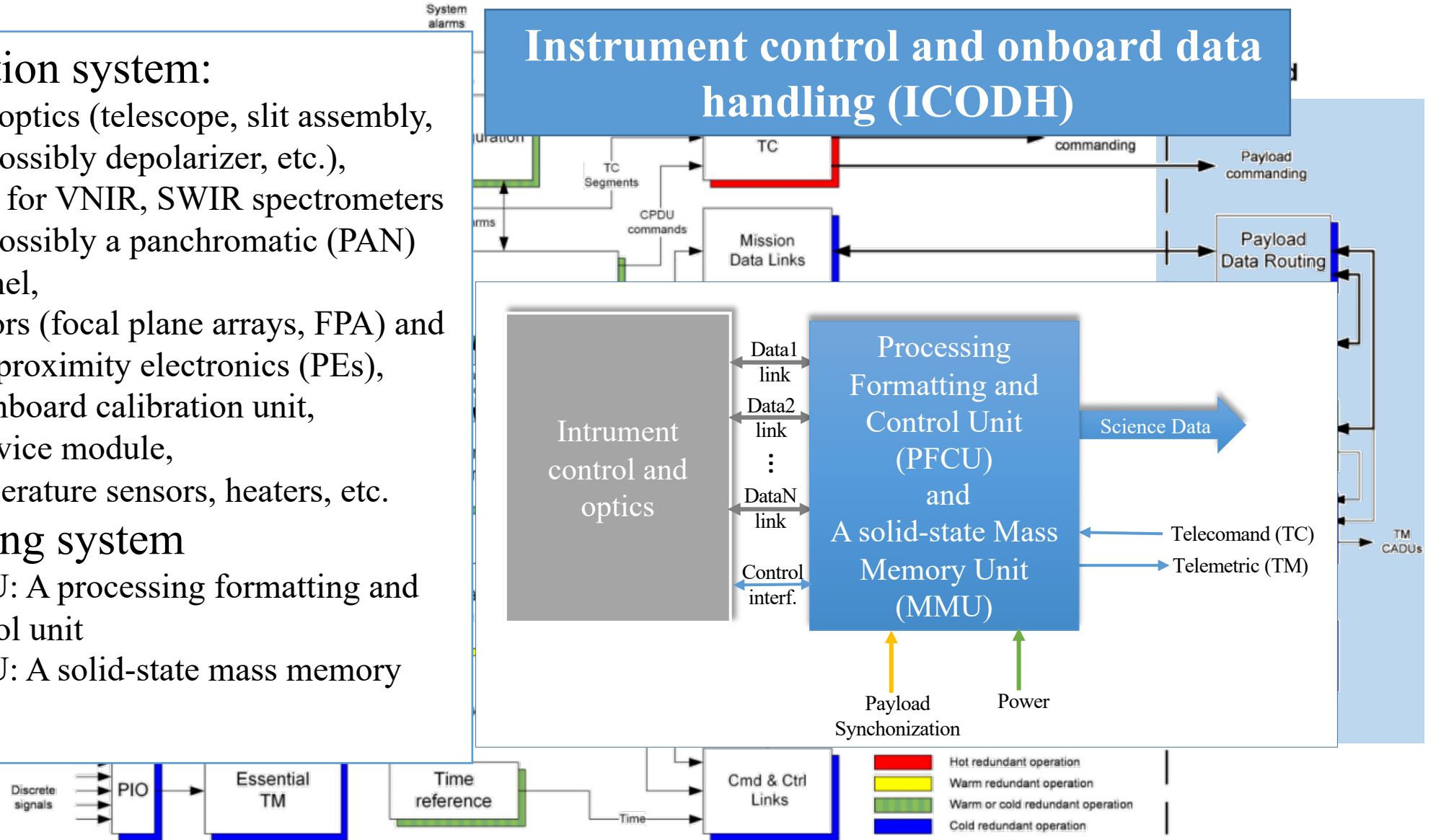
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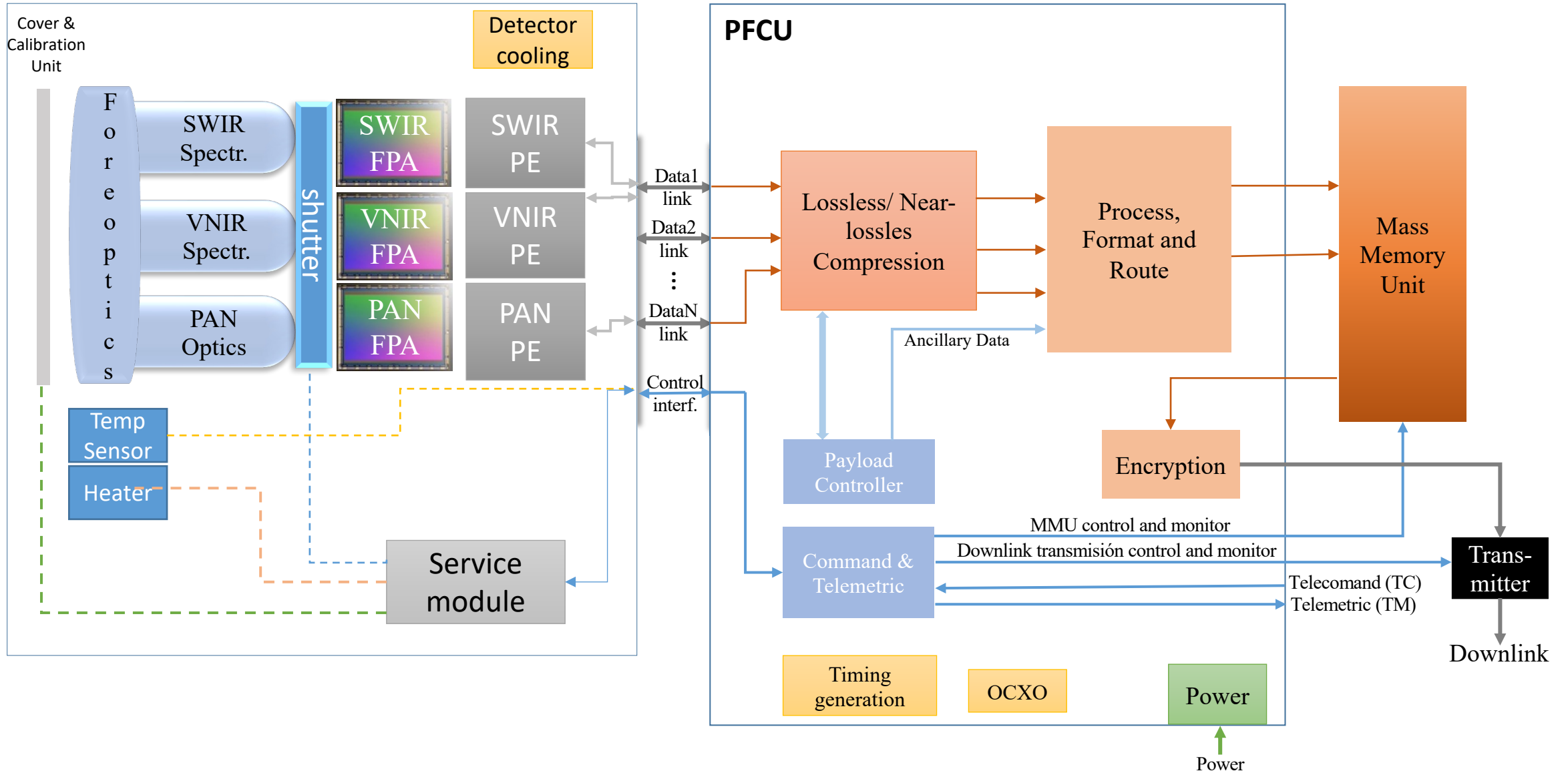
- High Performance Computing in Space??

Satellite Hardware: payload processing

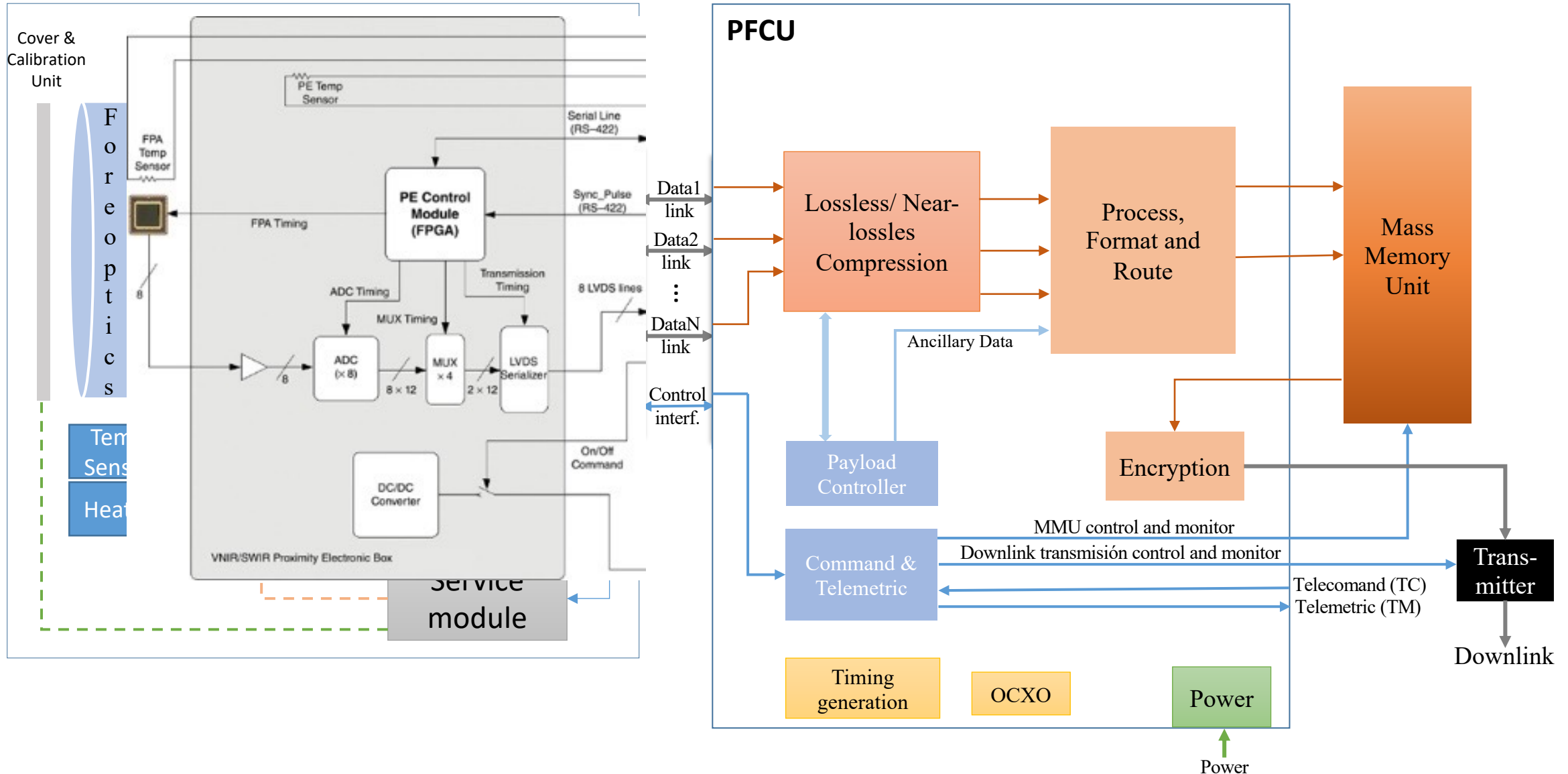
- Acquisition system:
 - a) Fore-optics (telescope, slit assembly, and possibly depolarizer, etc.),
 - b) Optics for VNIR, SWIR spectrometers and possibly a panchromatic (PAN) channel,
 - c) Sensors (focal plane arrays, FPA) and their proximity electronics (PEs),
 - d) An onboard calibration unit,
 - e) A service module,
 - f) Temperature sensors, heaters, etc.
- Processing system
 - a) PFCU: A processing formatting and control unit
 - b) MMU: A solid-state mass memory unit



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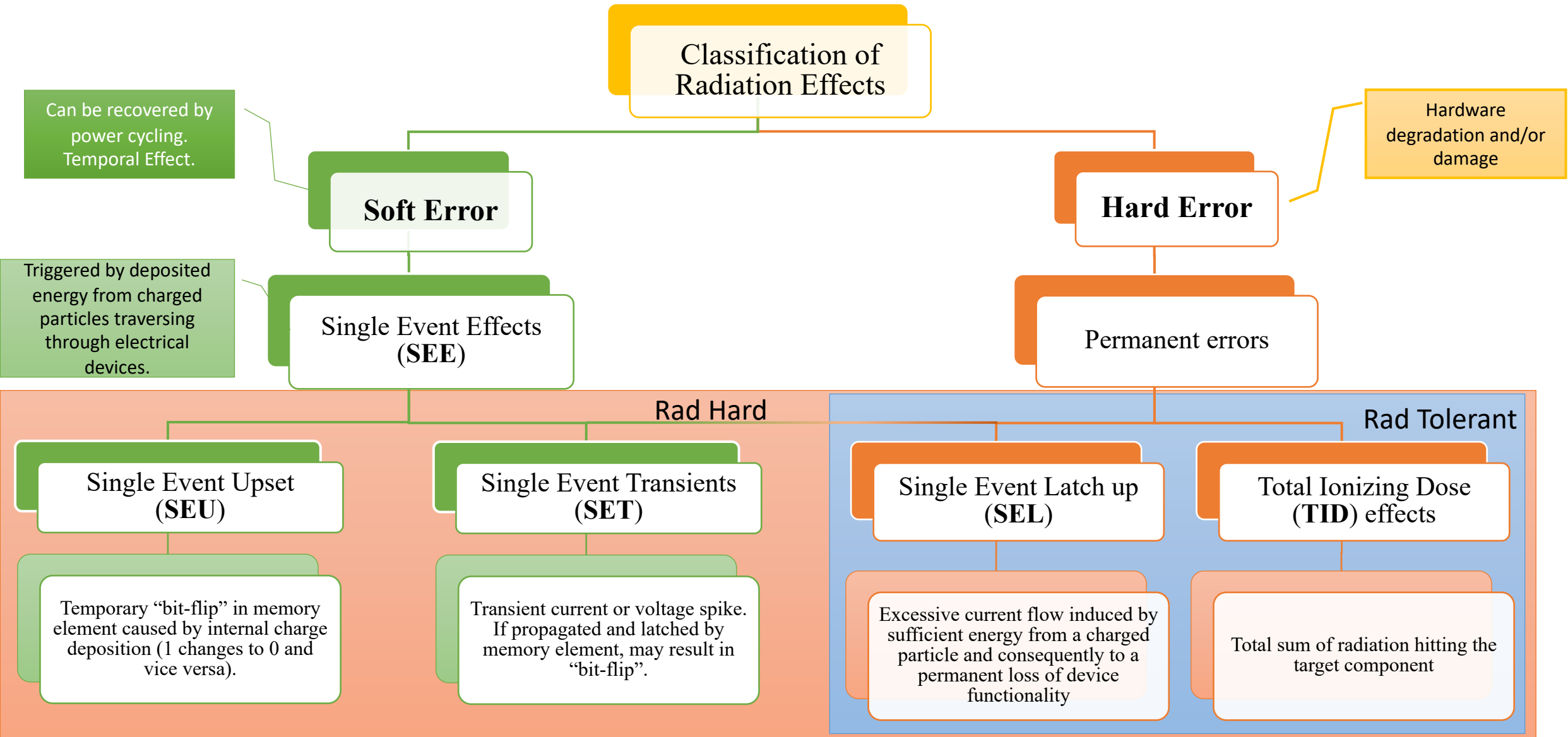




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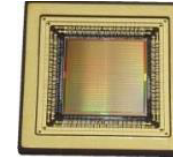
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Radiation effects mitigation

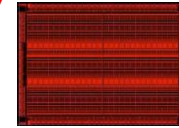


Technology solutions for on-board HPSC

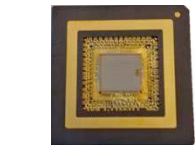
- The computing power of typical on-board computers is strongly limited by the volume, power and mass of nanosatellites.



ATF280F (Atmel, 180nm)



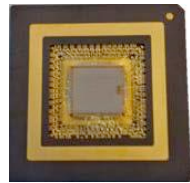
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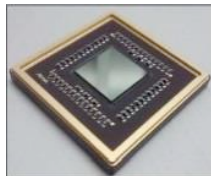
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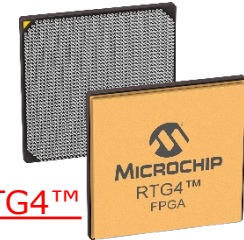
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μProcessors/μControllers

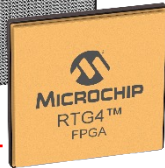
It focus on computation, requires peripheral ICs, supports fastest generic computation, and has typical power consumption higher than 10 Watt.

FPGAs

It is a Re-programmable logic, has IP-cores for specific and complete micro-controllers, provides fast and low power for specific functions, has higher power than micro-controllers.



RTG4™



Kintex™UltraScale™
XQRKU060

OBDH
Hardware of the satellite **on-board Data Handling** computing platforms

ASICs

It is a complete hardware solution for specific application, supports IP-cores for specific function, and has fast and power efficiency.

MP-SOCs

It provides a complete hardware and generic application. It has the smallest complete systems.



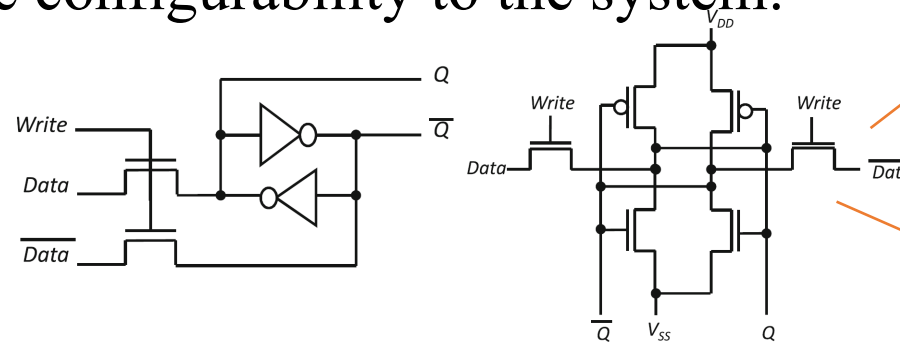
NanoXplore
NG-Ultra

Technology solutions for on-board HPSC: FPGAs

- Programmable logic to provide configurability to the system:

- SRAM technology:

- The most used
 - Non-permanent
 - Reconfigurability
 - No radiation hardness



- Virtex-4QV
- Virtex-5QV
- XQRKU060
- UltraScale

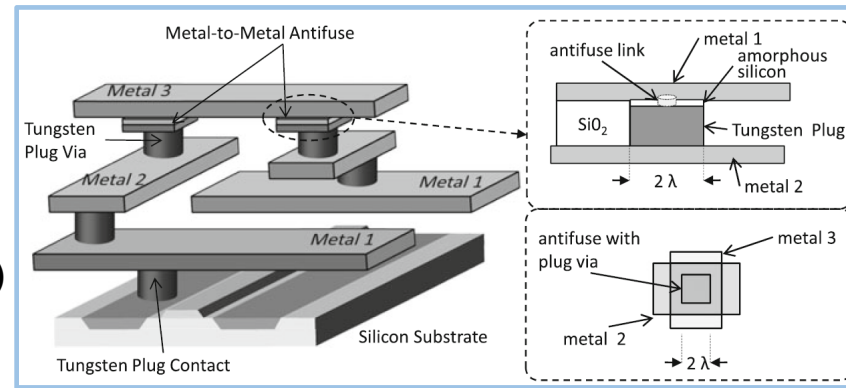


- NG-Medium
- NG-Large
- NG-Ultra



- Antifuse technology

- Permanent
 - Radiation hardness
 - One Time Programmable (OTP)
 - Best performance

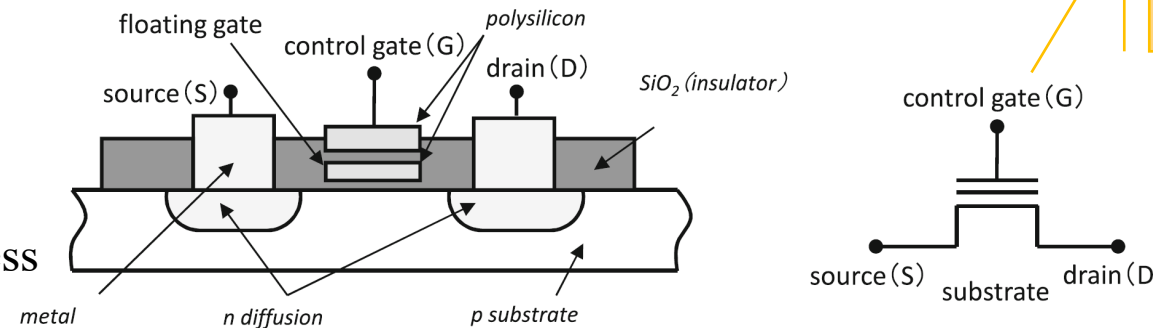


- RTAX series



- FLASH memory

- Permanent
 - Reprogrammable
 - Medium radiation hardness

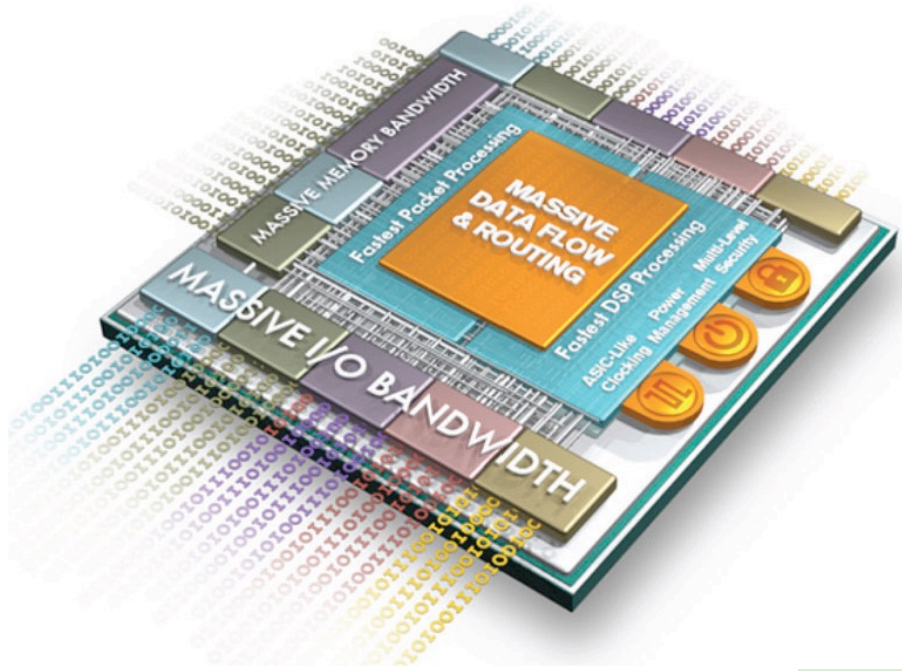


- RTG4 FPGAs
- RT ProASIC3
- RT PolarFire



FPGAs

Example FPGA: Rad Tolerant

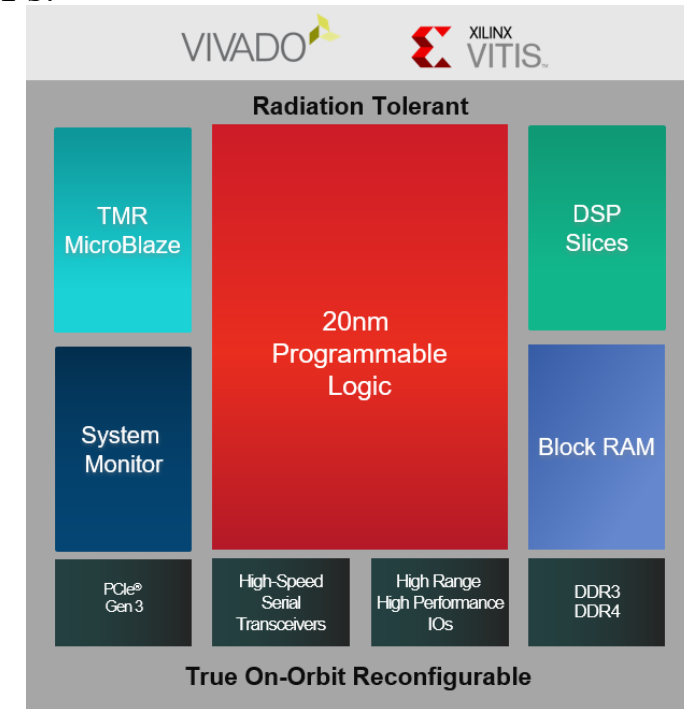


	Virtex-4QV XQRV4QV	Virtex-5QV XQRV5QV	RT Kintex UltraScale XQRKU060
Radiation Hardness	Tolerant	Hard	Tolerant
Process (nm)	90	65	20
Memory (Mb)	4.1 to 9.9	12.3	38
System Logic Cells (K)	55 to 200	131	726
CLB Flip-Flops (K)	49.1 to 178.1	81.9	663
CLB LUTs (K)	49.1 to 178.1	81.9	331
Transceivers	None	18 at 3.125Gb/s	32 at 12.5Gb/s
User I/O	640 to 960	836	620
DSP Slices	32 to 192	320	2,760

Xilinx® Radiation Tolerant (RT) Kintex® UltraScale™ XQRKU060 FPGA

- 20 nm technology
- Key advantages of RT Kintex UltraScale:
 - True Unlimited On-Orbit Reconfigurable Solution
 - >10X DSP Compute increase for Processing Intensive Algorithms & Analytics
 - Full Radiation Tolerance across All Orbits
 - 331K 6-inputs LUTs; 2760 DSPs.

- MicroBlaze™ processor technology, fault tolerant, fail-safe, 32-bit RISC CPU, which can be instantiated within the FPGA.
 - This soft IP achieves a performance above 300MHz
 - Requires approximately 7,400 LUTs and 6,400 flip-flops
 - Has been implemented using a TMR



FPGAs - MPSoCs

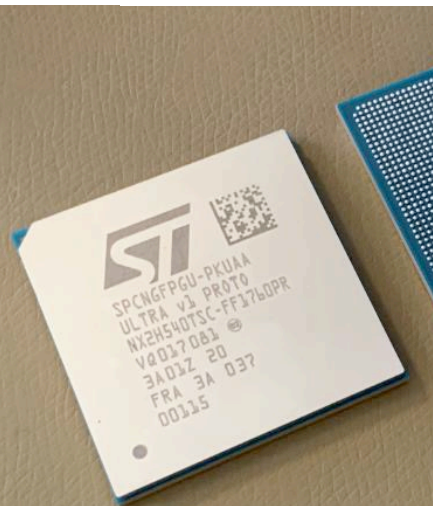
- 28 nm STMFDSOI process technology.
- On-chip thermal monitoring capability.
- Processors
 - A full System-On-Chip (SoC) based on a quad-core ARM Cortex R52
- FPGAs
 - 4-Input Look-up tables (536928 LUTs).
 - LUT expander to support up to 16 bits boolean functions.
 - Advanced interconnect network to support random logic and coarse grain block functions.
 - DSP Blocks for complex arithmetic operations (1344 DSPs).
 - User memories with variable width and depth.
 - Configuration modes: Master Serial SPI (Single, Sequential, TMR), SpaceWire.
 - Dedicated lowskew distribution network for clock, reset and load enable signals.

Interfaces

Integrated Space Wire interface available for user applications.
Multiple I/O powering support from 1.2V to 3.3V
Embedded logic to support DDR2, DDR3 and DDR4.

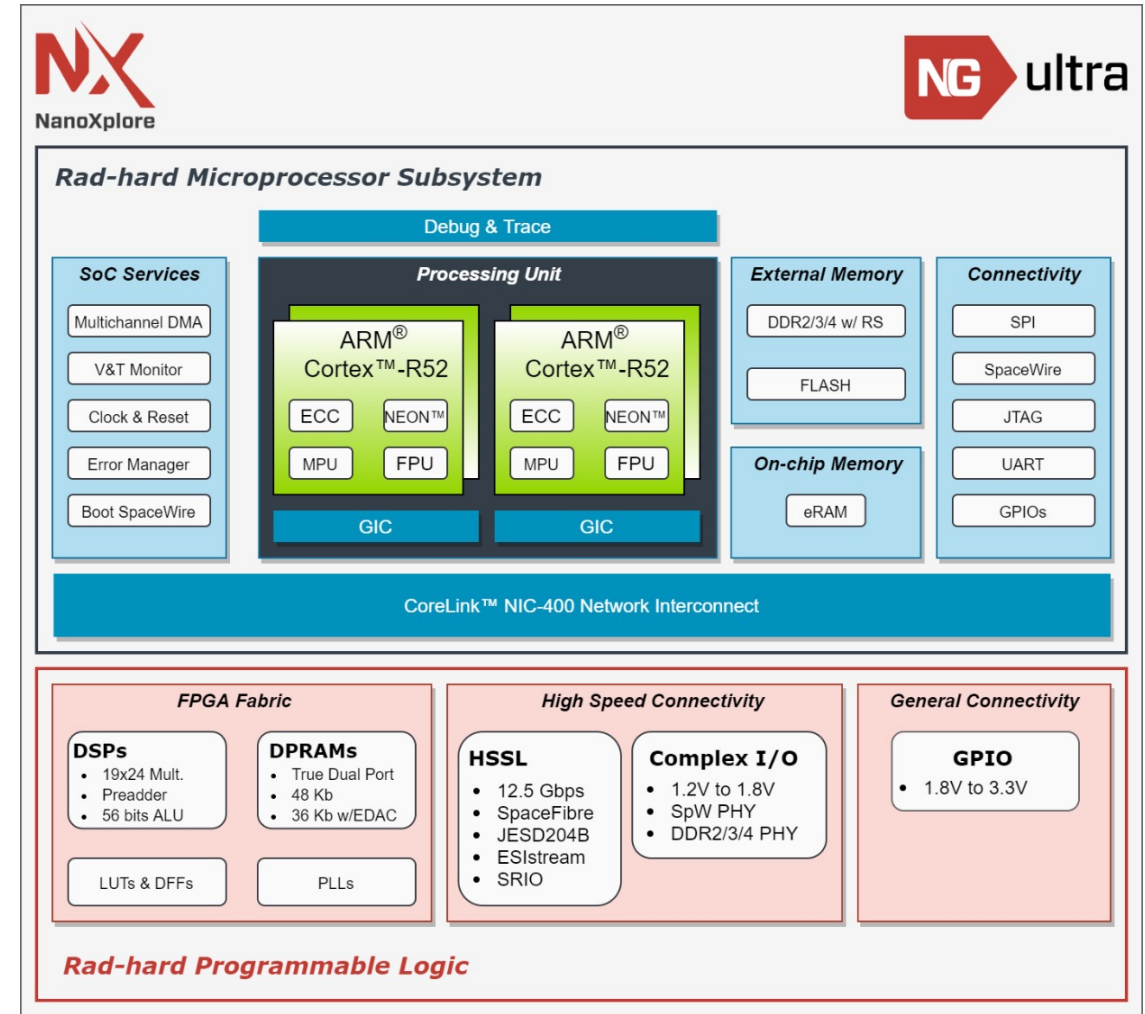
Radiation Tolerance

Radiation hardening by design in configuration memories and registers.
SEU immune up to LET > 60MeV.cm²/mg.
Total ionizing dose > 50Krad(Si).
Embedded EDAC for user memory mitigation.
Embedded configuration memory scrubbing.
Fast automatic memory configuration repair.
Embedded bitstream integrity check (CMIC).



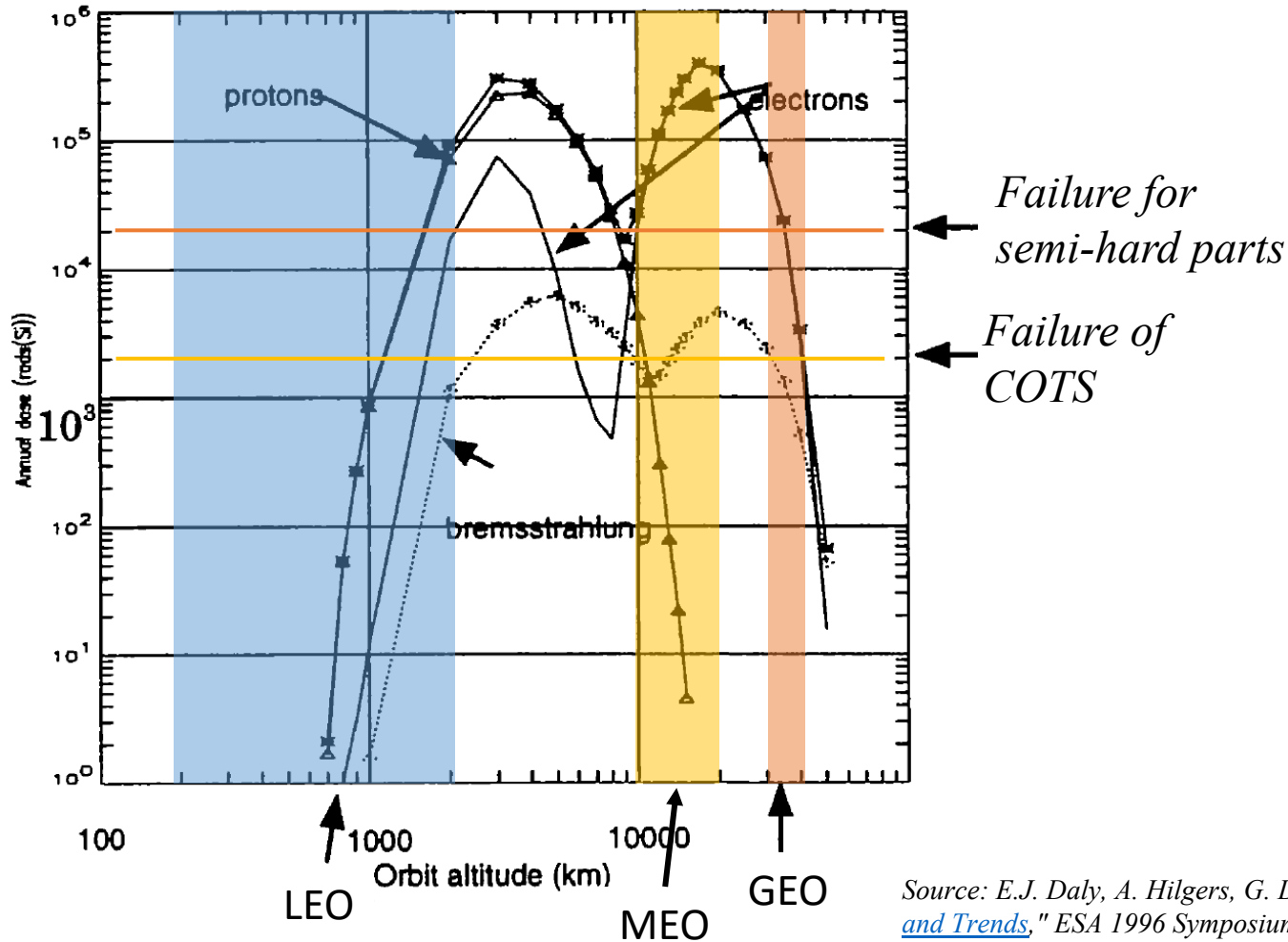
Example MPSoC: Rad hard

NanoXplore NG-ULTRA: European FPGA



Radiation effects mitigation

Annual doses (Si) in circular equatorial orbits
 computed with SHIELDOSE and AEBMAX, AP8MAX models
 4mm spherical aluminium shielding.



Source: E.J. Daly, A. Hilgers, G. Drolshagen, and H.D.R. Evans, "[Space Environment Analysis: Experience and Trends](#)," ESA 1996 Symposium on Environment Modelling for Space-based Applications, Sept. 18-20, 1996, ESTEC, Noordwijk, The Netherlands

Radiation annual dose

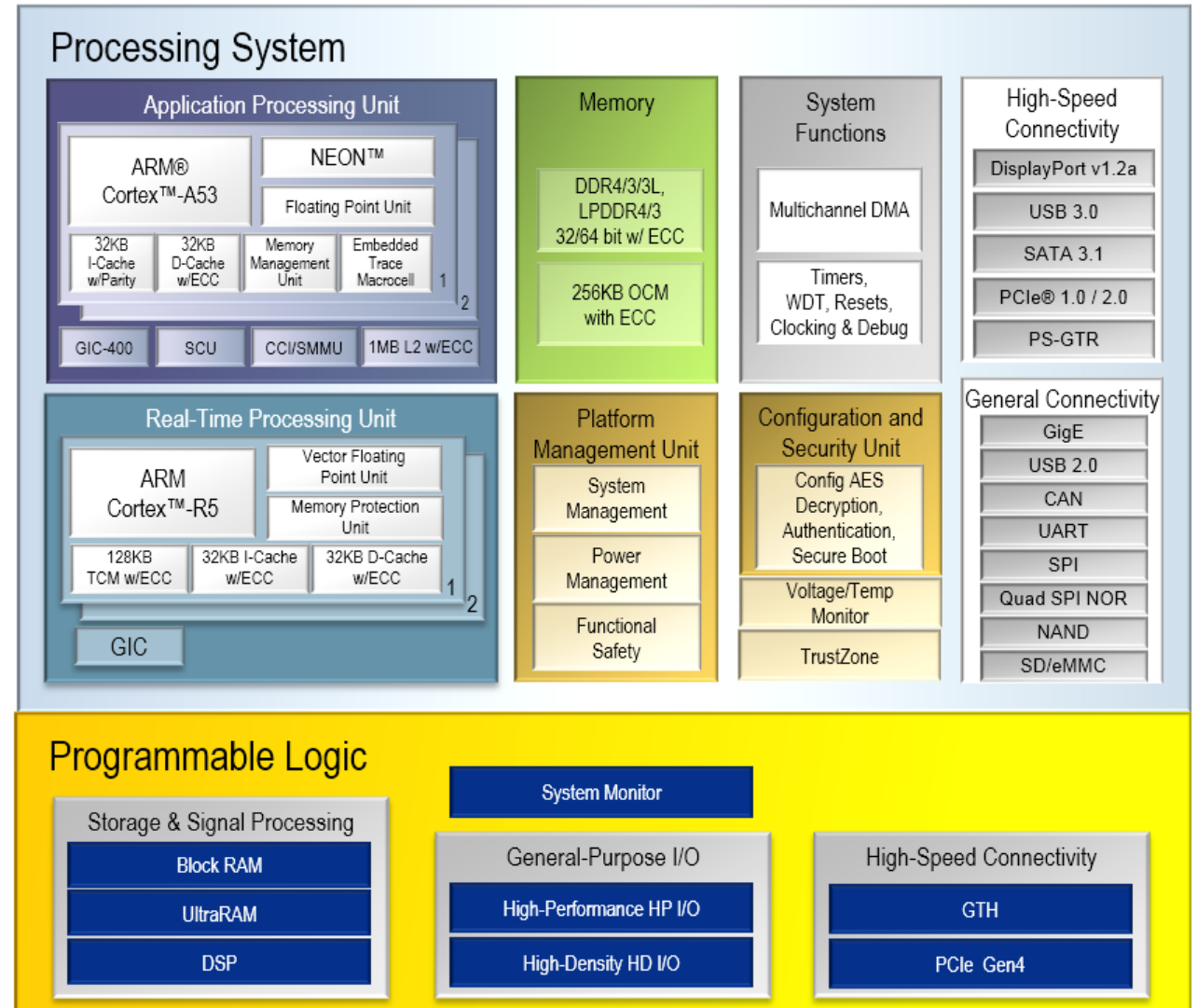
- Possibility to use COTS in many of LEO missions.
- But SEU errors are possible.
- Techniques to mitigate this errors:
 - Hardware Triple Module Redundancy (TMR) or Double Module Redundancy (DMR).
 - Software processing in two processors at the same time
 - Error Correction and Detection with Memories.
 - Memory scrubbing.
- Xilinx provides Soft Error Mitigation (SEM) IP:
 - Enhanced correction capabilities, essential bits monitoring and fault injection for validation.

FPGAs – MPSoCs

Example MPSoC: : COTS HPSC

- Based on Zynq Ultrascale+
- XCZU4CG-2LE-I (low power, industrial temperature range).
 - 2 ARM Cortex-A53 up to 1.5 GHz for computing
 - 2 ARM Cortex-R5 up to 600 MHz for Real-Time.
 - NEON engine is a specialized vector processing engine.
 - 1 GB of DDR4-2400 with EDAC.
 - Programmable logic.
- External PS interfaces: I²C, SPI, CAN, RS-485, UART

Zynq UlstrScale+





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Digital processing on-board

- Calibration.
- Compression.
- Object detection.
- etc.

It is different in space? Yes!!!

- High processing power.
- Different missions: different objectives.
- Difficulties to adapt to different payloads, requiring custom solution.
 - i.e.: Earth observation vs. debris detection.

Space standards

- CCSDS standards.

Lack of testing data

HPSC: High Performance Space Computing

- It is hard to achieve onboard real-time processing without systematic optimization design for specific targets.
- *“The key to a breakthrough is the development of new computing architectures, such as information extraction algorithms for non strict quantitative data processing”.**
- Cross-level collaboration architectures of algorithm-software-hardware is required.
 - Heterogenous Computing.

Two examples:

- Adaptive compression based on cloud removal
- IA for object detection and tracking.

* Bing Zhang, et al. **Progress and Challenges in Intelligent Remote Sensing Satellite Systems**, IEEE Journal Of Selected Topics In Applied Earth Observations And Remote Sensing, Vol. 15, 2022

On-board Satellite payload data processing

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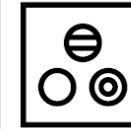
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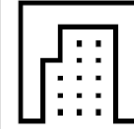
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Agriculture

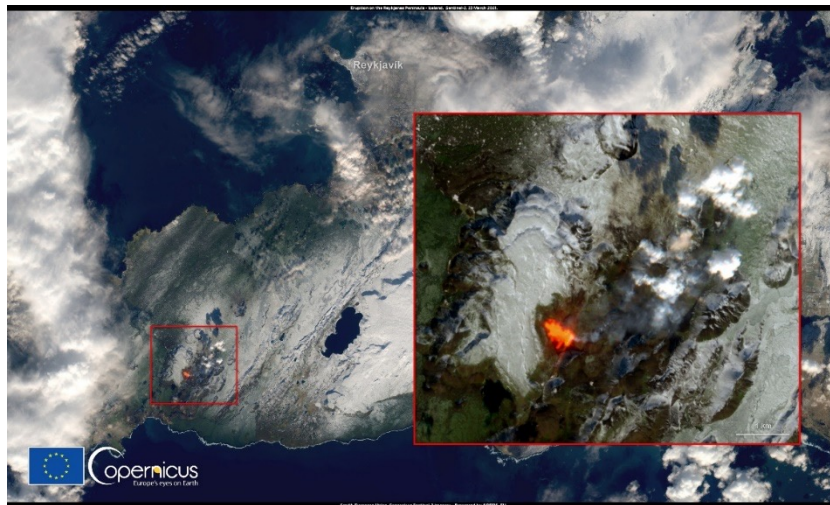


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Monitoring

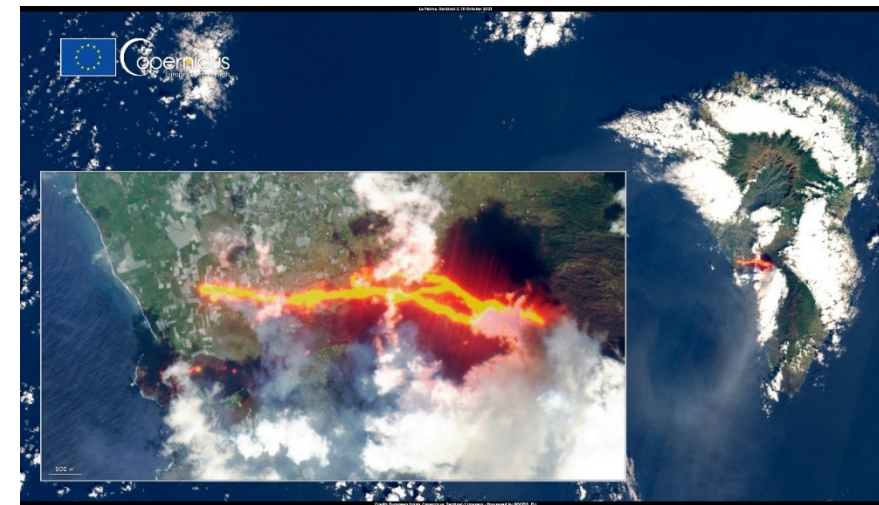


Urban
Monitoring

**455
M EUR***



Volcanic Eruption at the Krýsuvík-Trölladyngja volcanic system, Iceland. This image, acquired by one of the Copernicus **Sentinel-2** satellites on 23 March 2021, shows the volcanic eruption in Iceland's Reykjanes peninsula.



Volcanic Eruption in La Palma, Canary Islands, Spain. This Image acquired by one of the Copernicus **Sentinel-2** satellites on 10 October 2021, shows the lava stream from the Cumbre Vieja volcano.

On-board Satellite payload data processing

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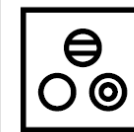
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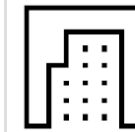
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- System requirements:
 - Future space mission to complement COPERNICUS “Sentinels”
 - 2 Hyperspectral sensors (VNIR and SWIR) with 220 spectral bands each.
 - High volume of data => On-board Compression mandatory.
 - Clouds covers more than 50% of the Earth surface.
 - Significant presence of Clouds in CHIME continuous acquisitions.
 - Opaque Clouds are less useful to estimate Earth surface properties.
 - Possibilities to increase on-board data reduction with a selective compression applied on clouds.

 **esa** European Space Agency.

Thales Alenia Space in Spain.

Thales Alenia Space in France.

IUMA/ULPGC.

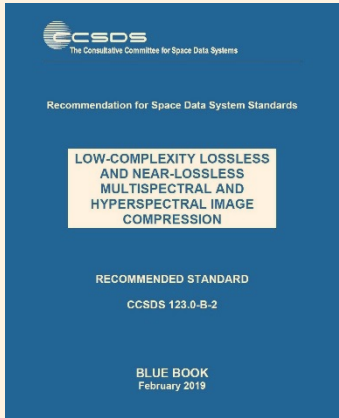
- System requirements:
 - Performance requirements.
 - Real time: one sample per cycle.
 - 125 MHz of clock frequency.
 - Xilinx® Radiation Tolerant (RT) Kintex® UltraScale™ QRKU060 FPGA

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Space**
a Thales / Leonardo company



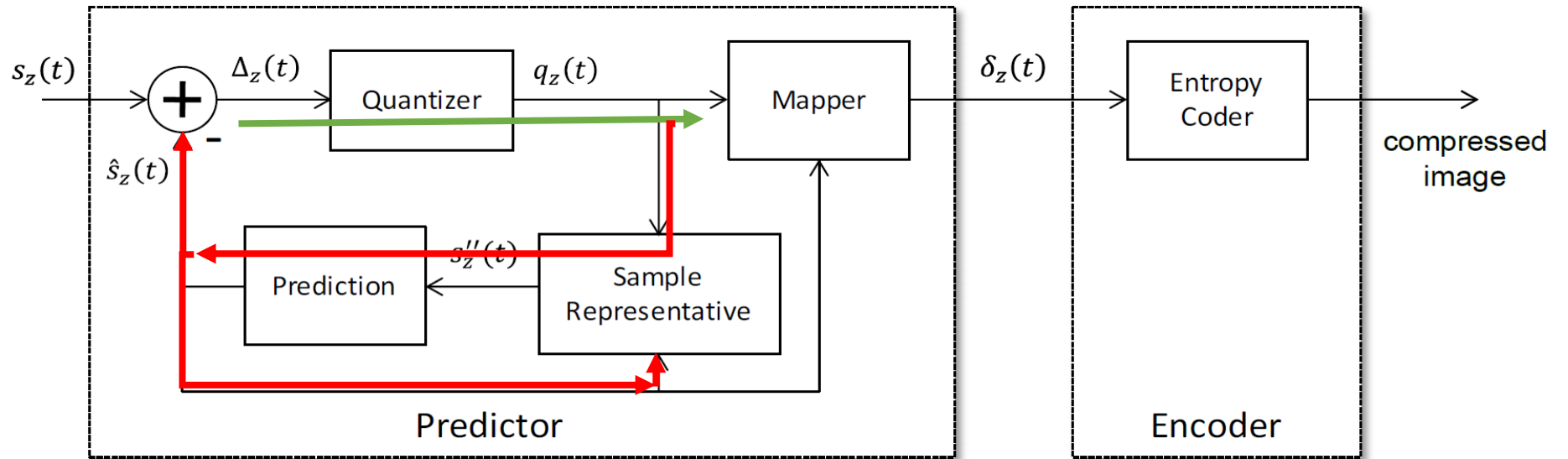
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Example 1



CCSDS 123.0-B-2

Lossless and Near-lossless
Multi/Hyperspectral
Compressor



Wide local sums

x1 $s''_{z,y-1,x-1}$	x1 $s''_{z,y-1,x}$	x1 $s''_{z,y-1,x+1}$
x1 $s''_{z,y,x-1}$	$s''_{z,y,x}$	

Predicts the current sample with a weighted sum of neighbors

Narrow local sums
(Favours pipelining)

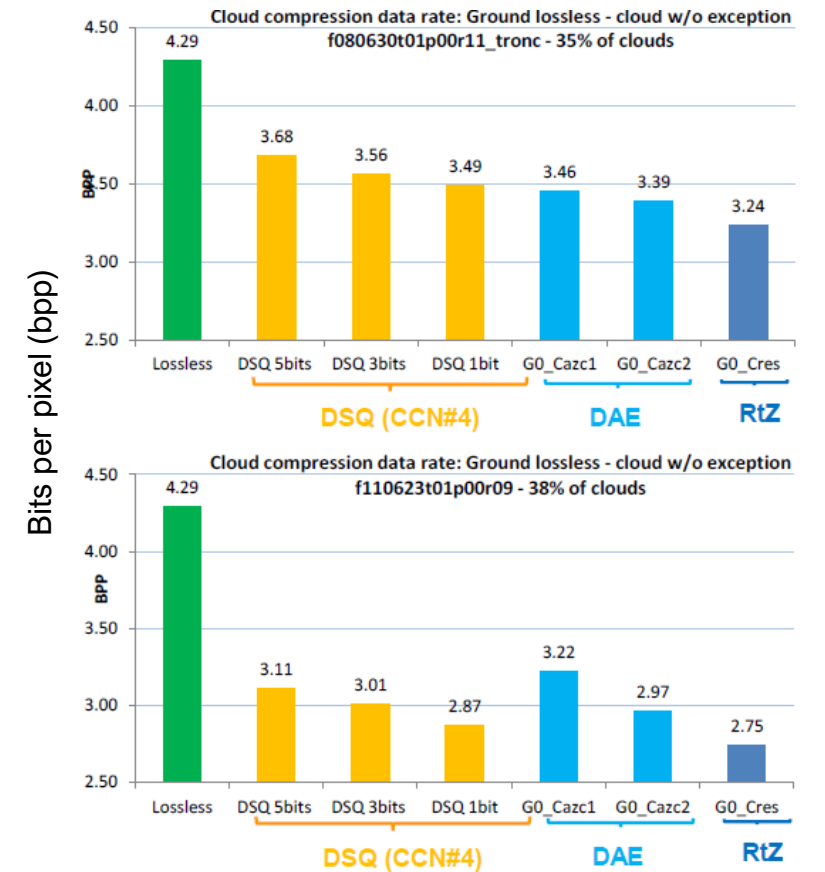
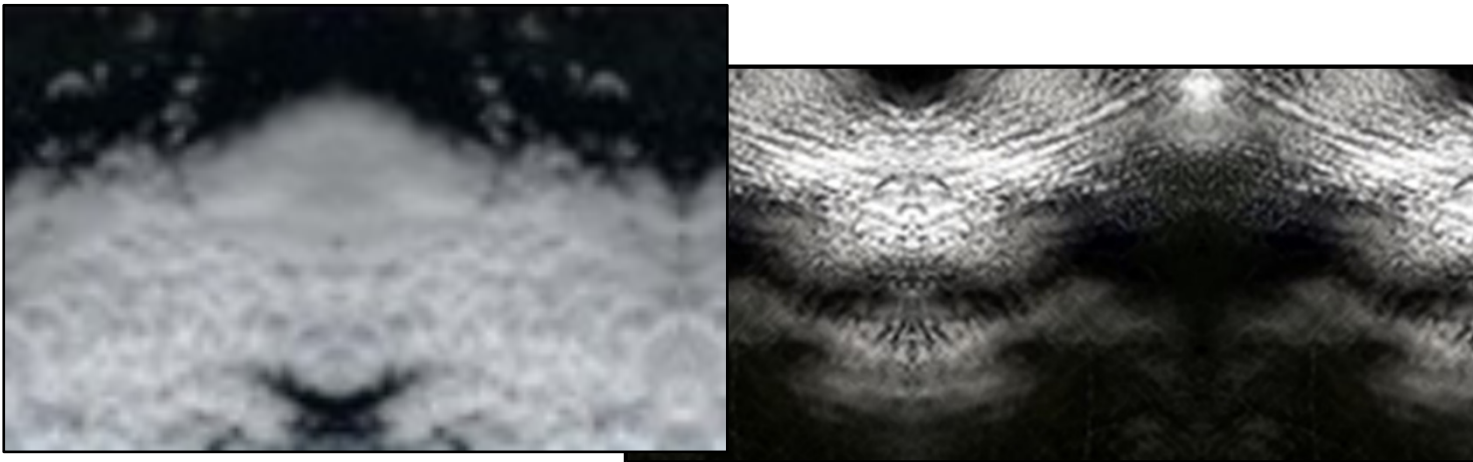
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Rice encoding technique.
Minimizes the number of bits
in a coded block of J samples

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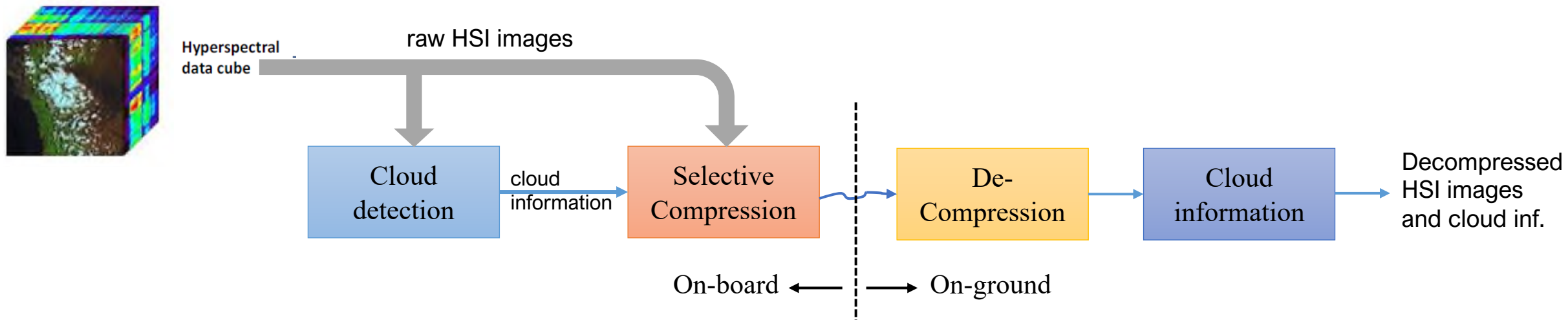
Example 1

- Solution analysis
 - Solution 1: **DSQ**. Some bits of **pixel-clouds** are set to 0.
 - Solution 2: **DAE**. Different errors for **pixel-clouds** and **pixels-no_clouds**.
 - Solution 3: **RtZ**. Set the residuals of cloud-pixels to '0'.
- Best in performance RtZ (12% better than DSQ) but introduce outliers.
- Selected: **DAE** (Not the best but it doesn't create outliers).
- Tested with AVIRIS images.



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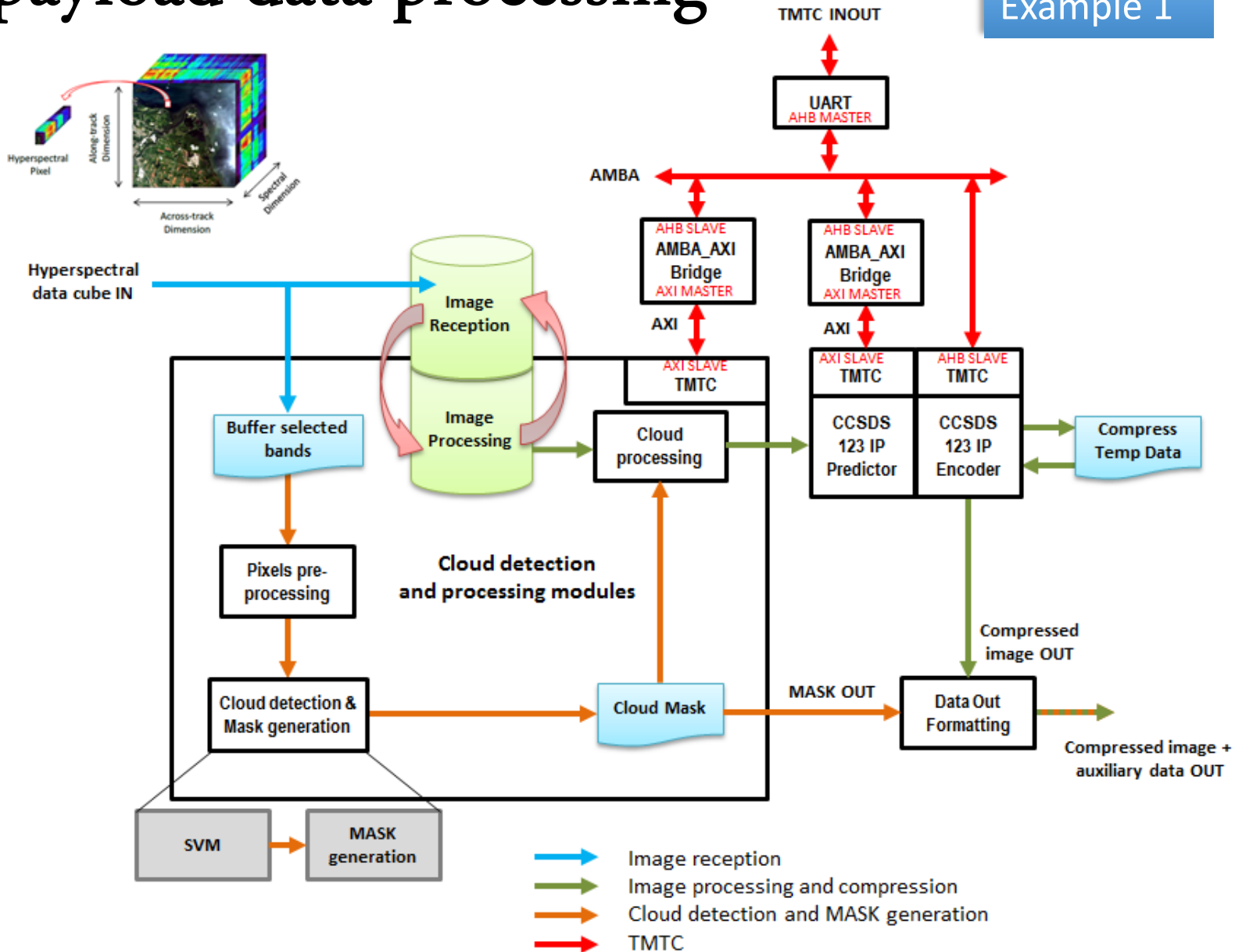
- Cloud detection and processing algorithms.
- Selected for implementation in the Demonstrator:
 - Cloud Detection: Support Vector Machine (SVM) approach
 - Cloud mask generation: indicates per each pixel if it is cloud (mask = '1') or not (= '0')
- Cloud Processing
 - Pre-quantization for the pixels detected as cloud to improve posterior compression in less useful areas



On-board Satellite payload data processing

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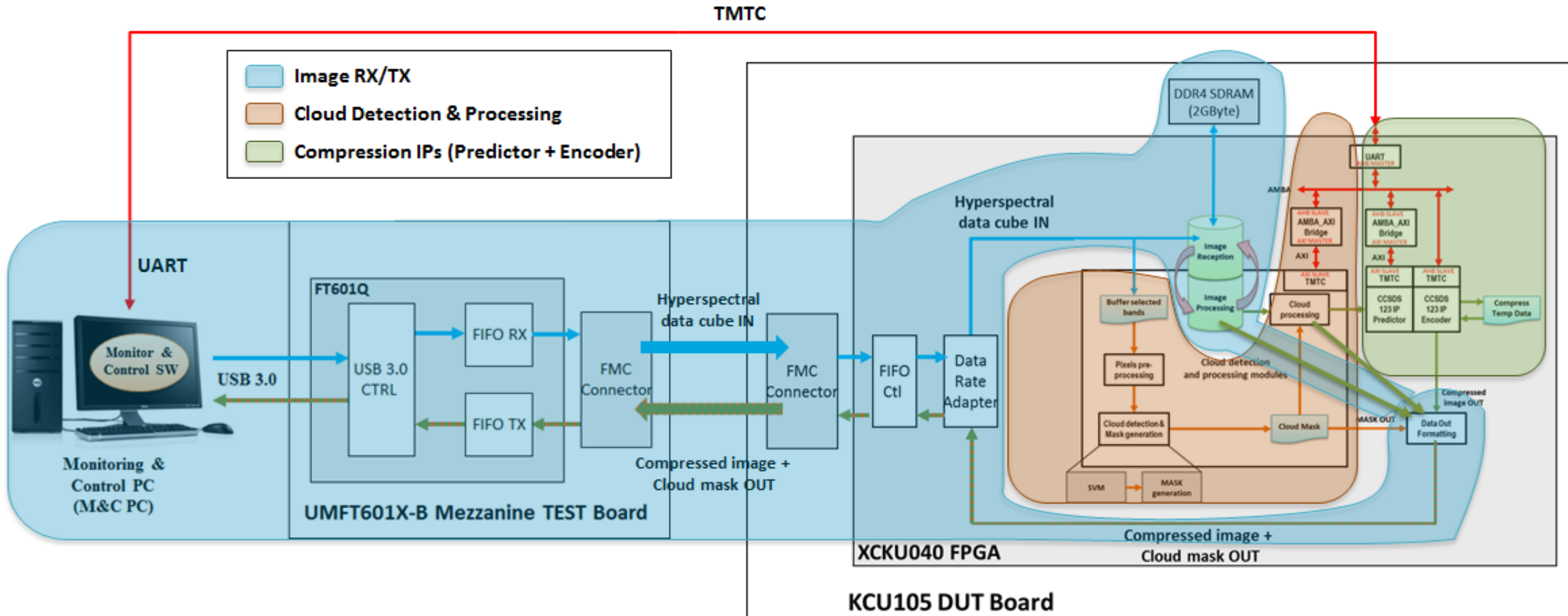
- Image reception up to 2Gbps (16 bit samples processed at 125 MHz clock cycle)
- Cloud detection over selected bands: Cloud mask
- Cloud processing
- CCSDS 123 Compression
- Data formatting: processed image + cloud mask
- Compressed image transmission
- TMTC (Telemetry and Telecommand) module for design configuration



On-board Satellite payload data processing

Example 1

- Demonstrator TEST Procedure

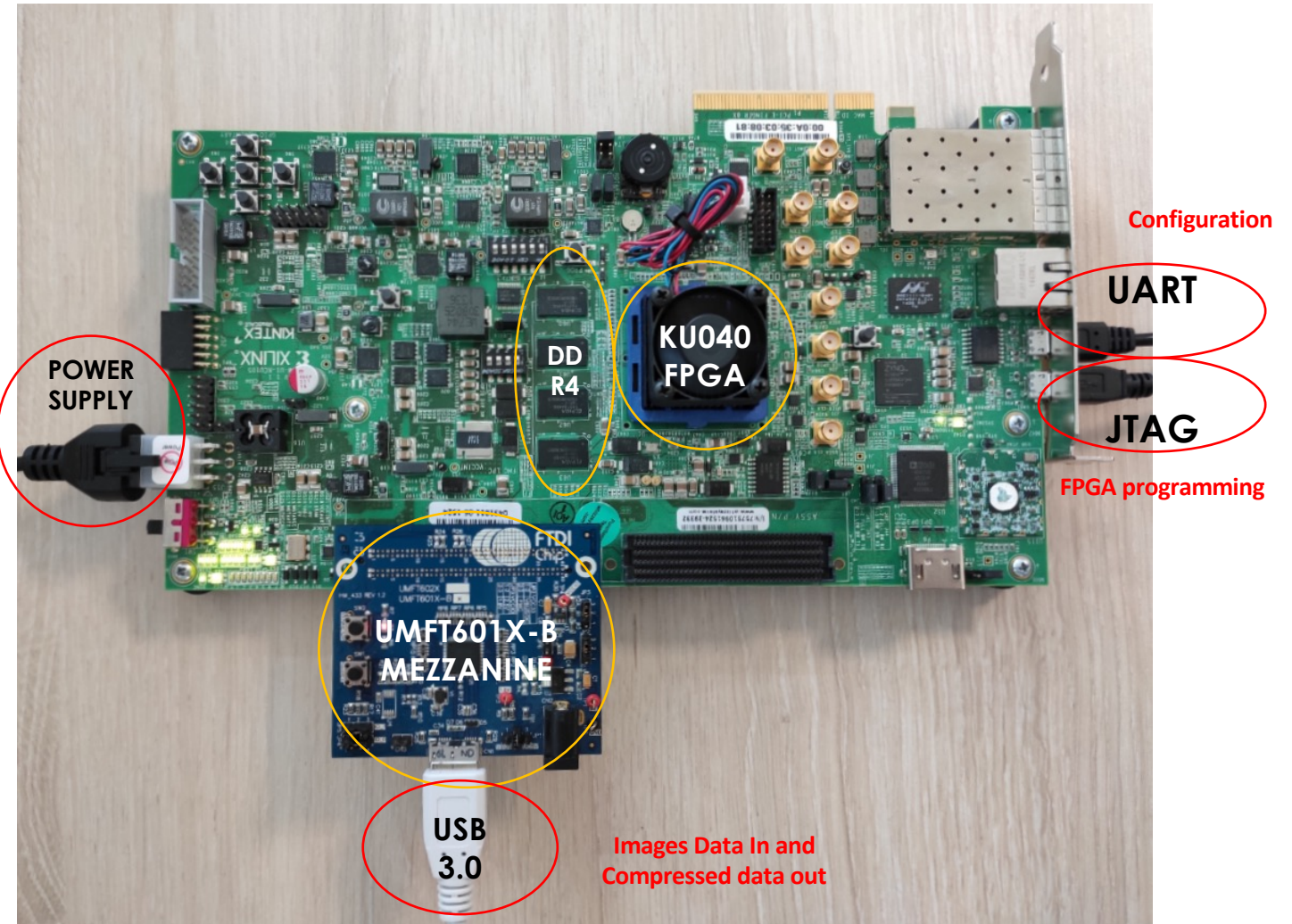


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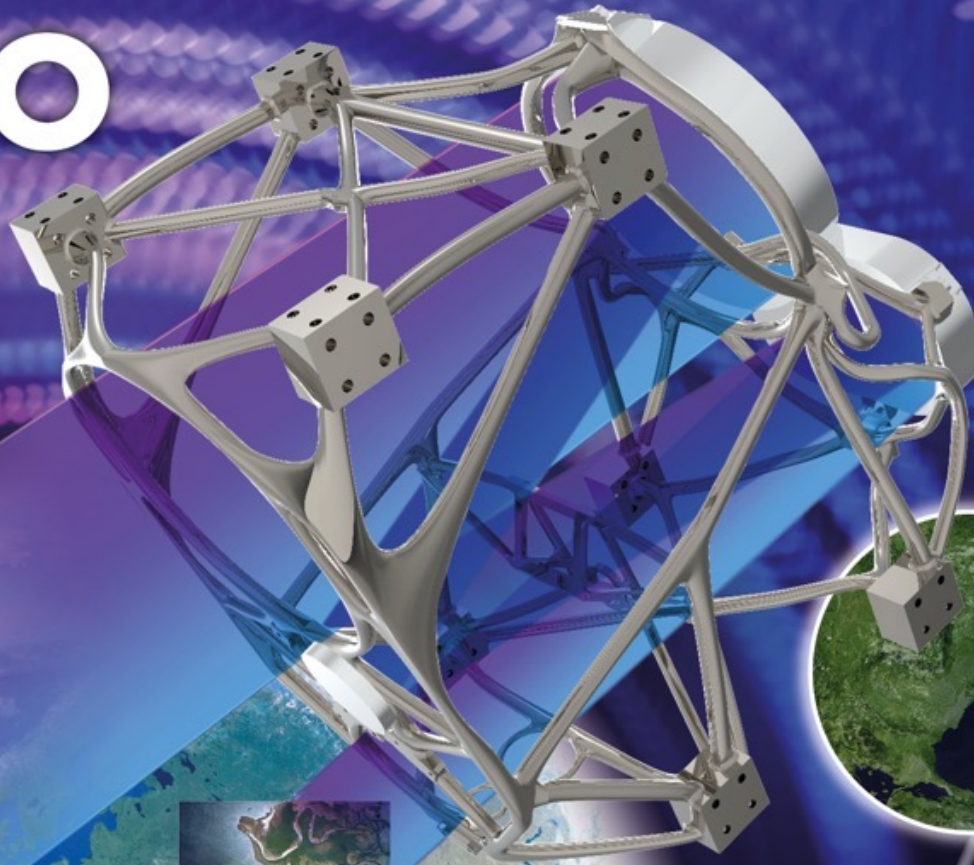
Example 1

HW Description: KCU105 DUT board +
UMFT601X-B Test Mezzanine

- UMFT601X-B Mezzanine
 - Manufacturer: FTDI
 - USB 3.0 to FIFO interface bridge
 - 2 parallel FIFOs with up to 32 bits at 66,67 MHz (Max 2,13344Gbps)
- KCU105 board
 - Manufacturer: Xilinx
 - FPGA: Xilinx Kintex Ultrascale, XCKU040-2FFVA1156E
 - External Memory: 16 Gb DDR4
 - Control interface: UART
 - Data Input and output interfaces: FMC connector
 - USB JTAG to program the FPGA



VIDEO



VIDEO IMAGING DEVICE FOR EARTH OBSERVATION

EXAMPLE 2

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High Performance and Disruptive Computing in Remote Sensing



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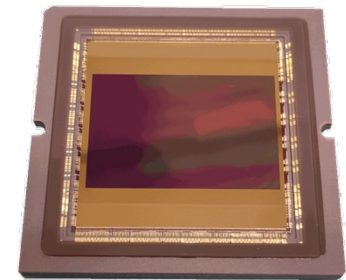
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Example 2

Video Imaging Device For Earth Observation

- The project aims to develop a highly-disruptive technology for a next-generation instrument offering Video Observation of Earth.
- A novel architecture will be demonstrated, based on state-of-the-art technologies for **mirrors** (freeform), **structures** (additive manufacturing) & **detection** (new generation detector & processing chain).
- It will allow to answer new types of problematics and missions, anticipating the emergence of on-board smart algorithms.
- Partners:
 - Thales Alenia in Space France SAS (coordinator)
 - Thales Alenia in Space Spain
 - **University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria**
 - Poly-Shape (now AddUp)
 - Pyxalis
 - AMOS

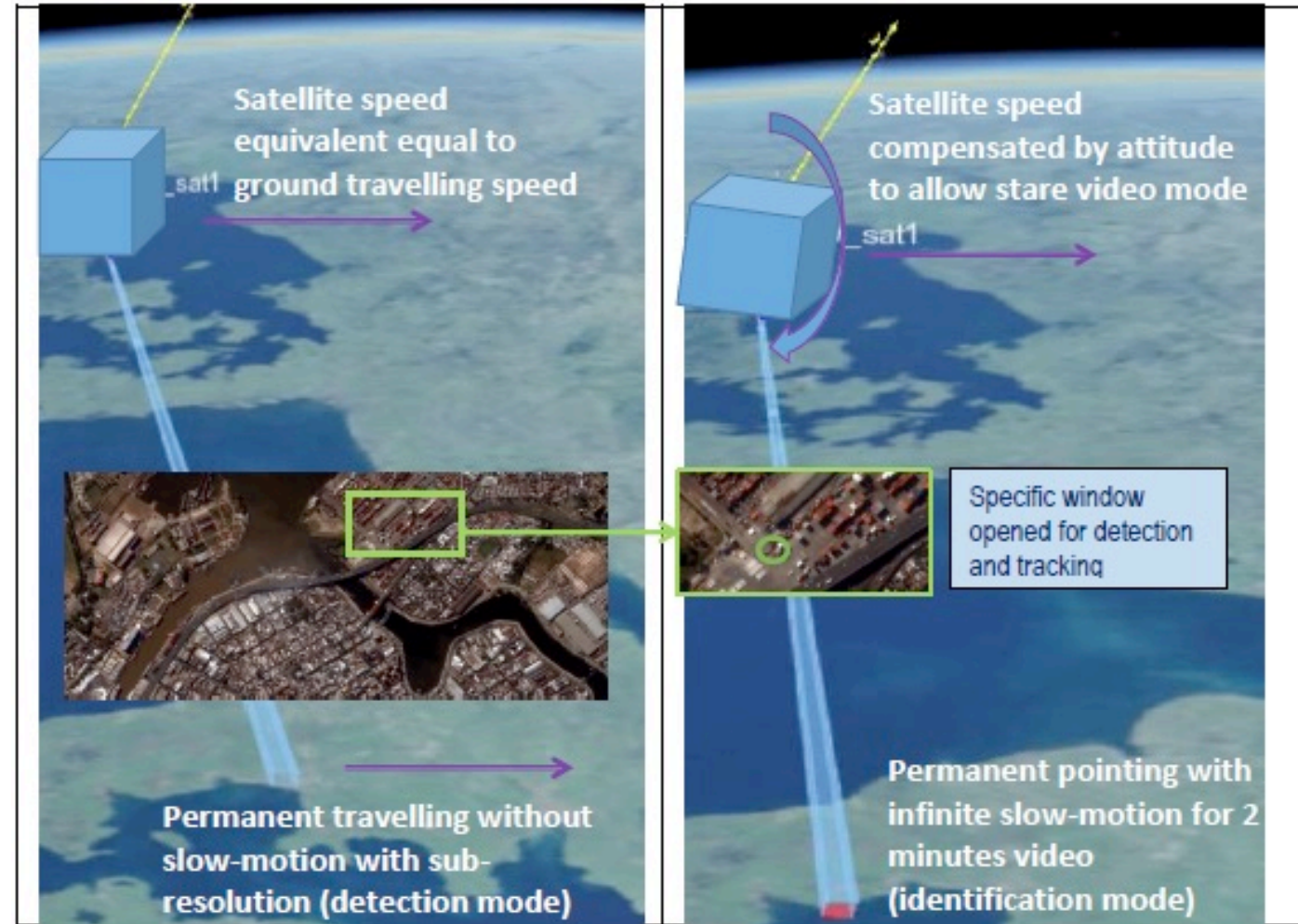


Gigapyx RGB sensor from Pyxalis is expected to provide a large image in terms of spatial resolution (48Mpixels). 10 FPS for HD video sequences

On-board Satellite payload data processing

Example 2

- GOALS OF THE VIDEO CHAIN
 - Capable of perform high-resolution RGB images and video monitoring on an extremely wide scene.
 - Two modes of operation: detection (image mode) and compression plus tracking (video mode).
 - **Image mode:** detecting objects in the acquired scene.
 - **Video mode:** tracking of the object of interest and smart video compression of the ROI.
 - Flying trajectory and speed known in advance → Motion estimation seems not relevant.
 - Adapt the video compression ratio depending on the satellite available resources and to the available downlink bitrates.
 - Implemented on a Radiation Tolerant FPGA: Xilinx UltraScale XCKU060.



On-board Satellite payload data processing

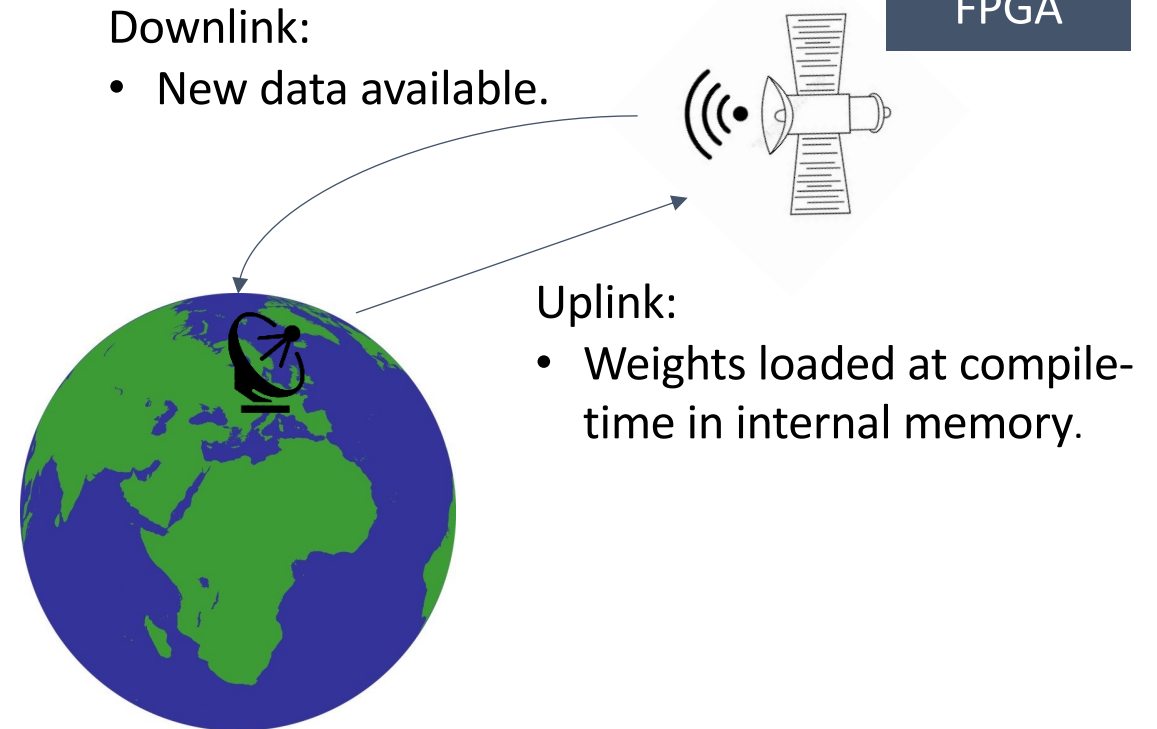
Example 2

- Detection: Proposed detection solution
 - Based on convolutional neural networks (CNNs)
 - High detection capabilities
 - A single CNN architecture can be trained for different purposes.
 - The detection performance can be modified by replacing the pre-trained weights without modifying the network architecture.

High Level tools:
Python - Keras, Tensorflow

Training of the CNN:

- Different weights depending on use case.
- NN can be re-trained and weights uploaded via the uplink.



R. Neris, A. Rodríguez, R. Guerra, S. López and R. Sarmiento, "FPGA-Based Implementation of a CNN Architecture for the On-Board Processing of Very High-Resolution Remote Sensing Images," in IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Applied Earth Observations and Remote Sensing, vol. 15, pp. 3740-3750, 2022, doi: 10.1109/JSTARS.2022.3169330.

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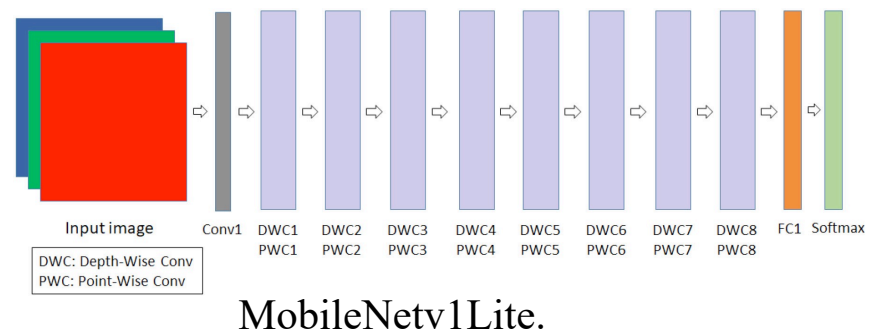
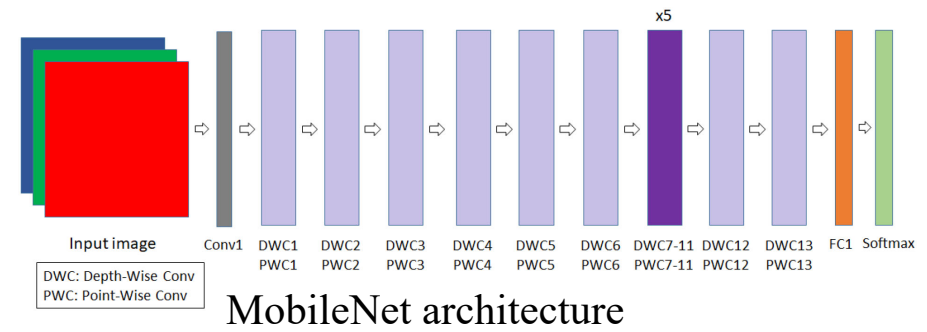
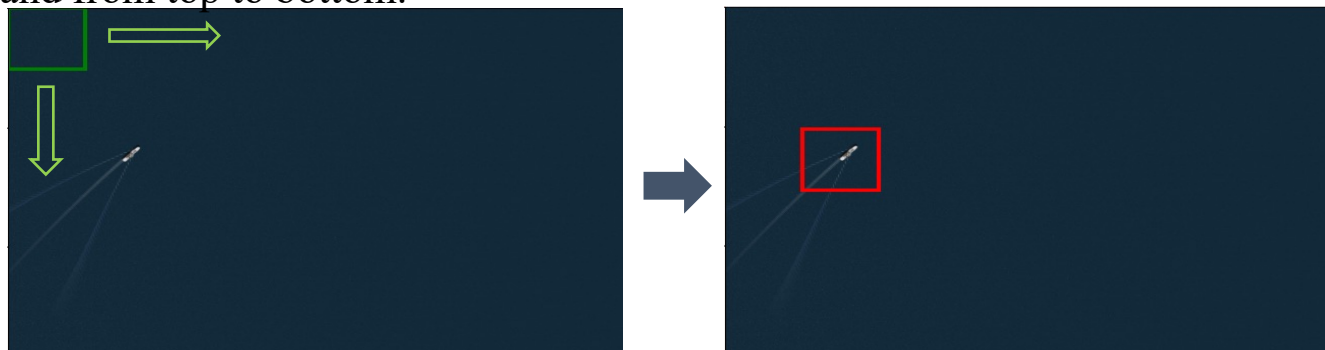
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Example 2

- Detection: architecture overview

- 10 different architectures analyzed at Keras.
- MobileNet-Reduced:
 - Good compromise between accuracy and complexity.
 - Number of filters divided by 4 compared to standard MobileNet.
- Detection strategy:
 - Each video frame will be independently processed as an RGB image by the CNN.
 - Processing the received lines without waiting for the full image.
 - Each image will be processed applying a sliding window with a certain stride and overlap.
 - A window size of 256x256 pixels should give enough margin for target detection.

The window moves from left to right and from top to bottom.

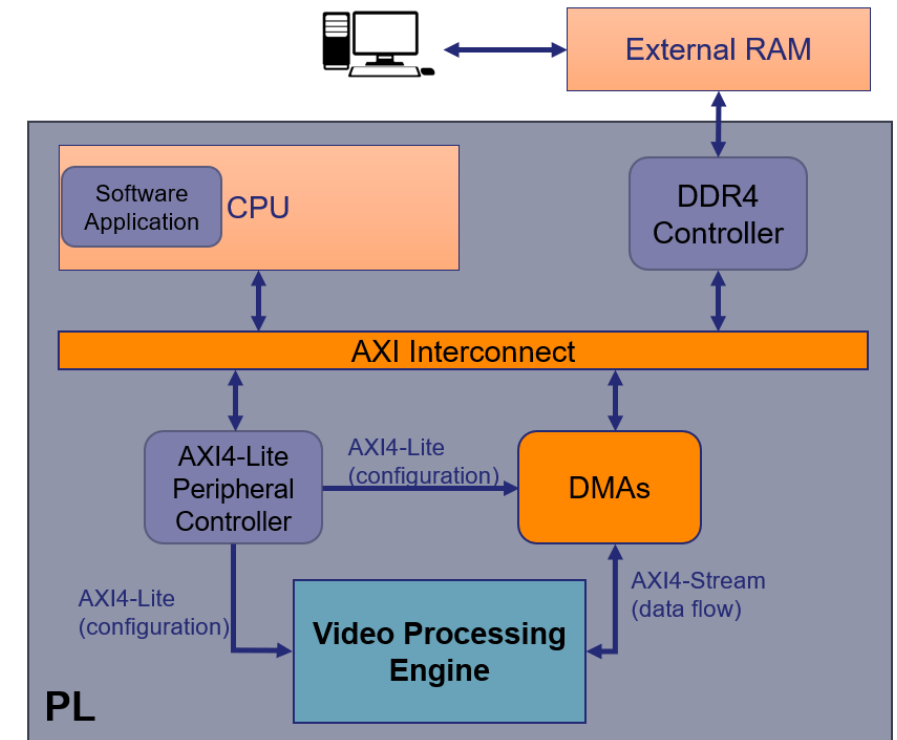
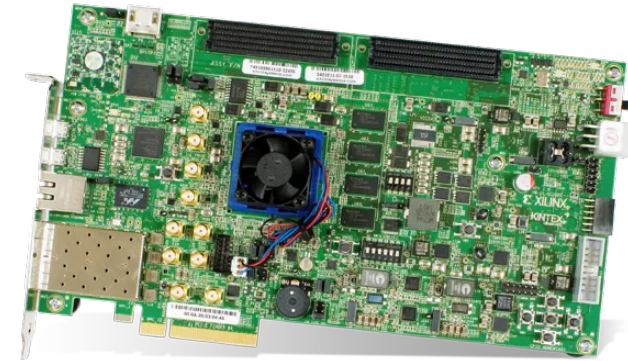


- reduction in the number of filters by a factor of 4
- activation of the *shallow* option which removes five stages of the network.
- This modified architecture, named MobileNetv1Lite, gives a reduction of 96.15% in the number of trainable parameters.

On-board Satellite payload data processing

- **SYSTEM: TEST SET-UP**

- The whole video processing have been validated.
 - A test set-up has been developed on a Xilinx Kintex UltraScale **XCKU040** FPGA.
 - The whole validation set-up also runs at a clock frequency of **200 MHz**, except the DDR4 controller (300 MHz).
- A test dataset comprised by short video sequences where boats are captured at different locations was created.
- Three outputs are generated (one per compression instance) and sent back to the control PC, independently decompressing them with an in-house software compliant with the CCSDS 123.0-B-2 standard.
 - The three decompressed files are merged into a single YCbCr video sequence for visualization purposes.



Module	BRAMs	DSPs	Registers	LUTs
Detection Network	229.5 (38.3%)	1405 (73.1%)	134284 (27.6%)	136960 (56.5%)
Video compressor	322 (53.6%)	176 (9.3%)	37557 (7.9%)	44660 (18.4%)
TOTAL	551.5 (91.9%)	1581 (82.3%)	171841 (35.5%)	181620 (74.9%)



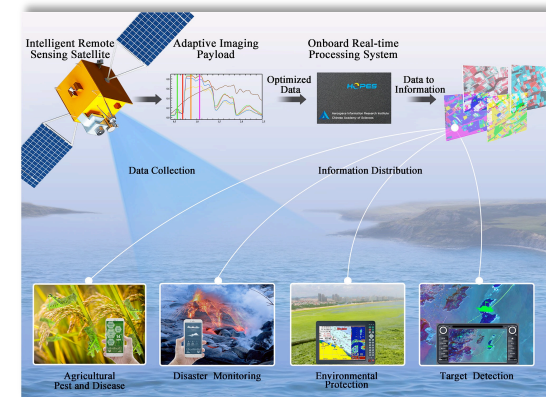
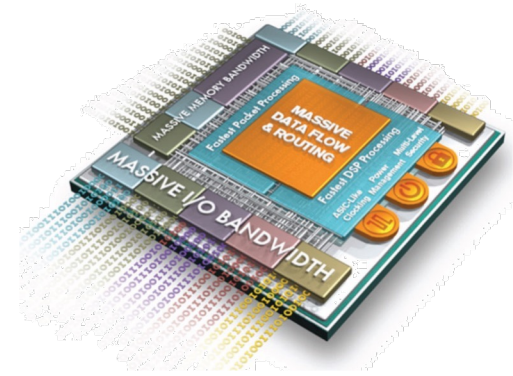
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- Satellites for Earth Observation and Spacecrafts
- Satellites on-board Hardware
 - System overview
 - Payload hardware
- Technology solutions for on-board HPSC
 - Radiation effects mitigation
 - FPGAs - MPSoCs
- On-board Satellite payload data processing
 - New paradigm?
 - Data and Image Compression
 - Video Compression
 - Information Processing
- **Conclusions**

Conclusions

High Performance Space Computer

- New Space (NS) is a completely new approach.
 - Smaller satellites.
 - More computation on-board.
 - Shorter earth-to-Space time.
 - Constellations (mainly in Low Earth Orbit).
 - Private funding.
 - One satellite many solutions.
- HPSC: High Performance Space Computing is a hot topic today.
 - Modular systems.
 - Demand computing on-board.
 - Standardization is required.
 - Needs to use the last technological advances (FPGAs, etc).
 - Using COTS for LEO orbits.
- Example 1: CHIME mission.
 - New mission in the Copernicus program.
 - Long life with public information.
 - Reduce information on cloudy scenes.
- Example 2: European VIDEO project.
 - Use a complex approach for Space.
 - Image mode and video mode.
 - CNN for ship detection with possibility to adapt.



Hyperspectral technology: inspiring ideas, challenges and opportunities

Part III: Additional projects

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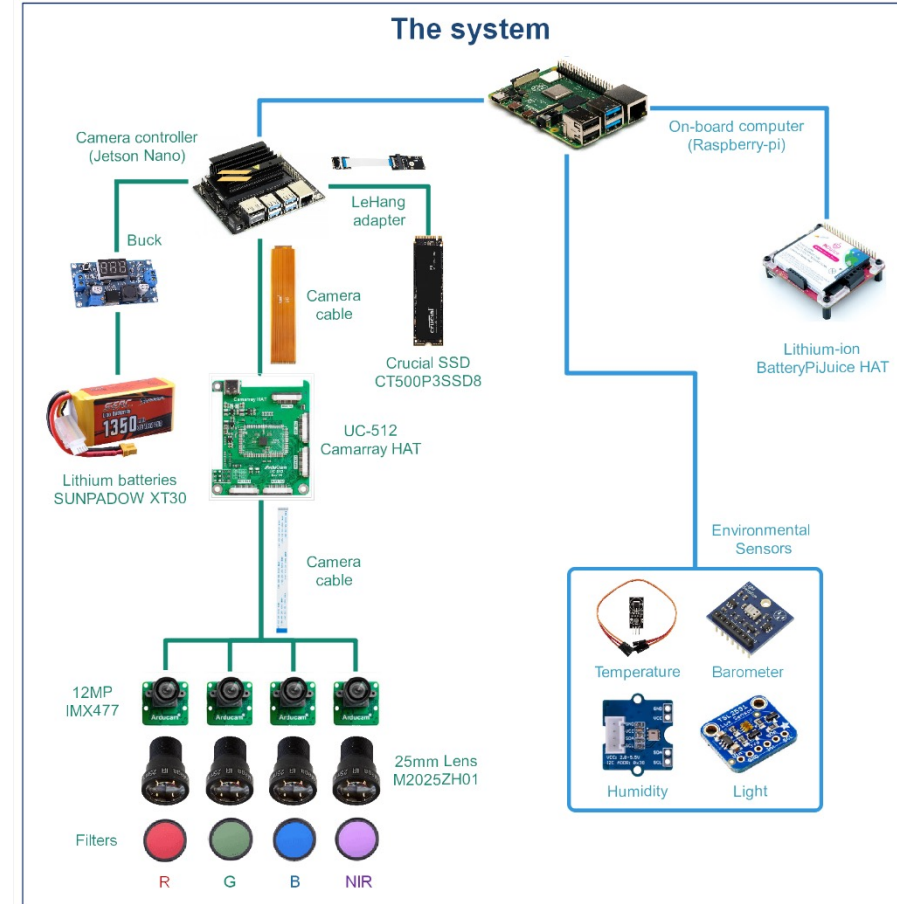
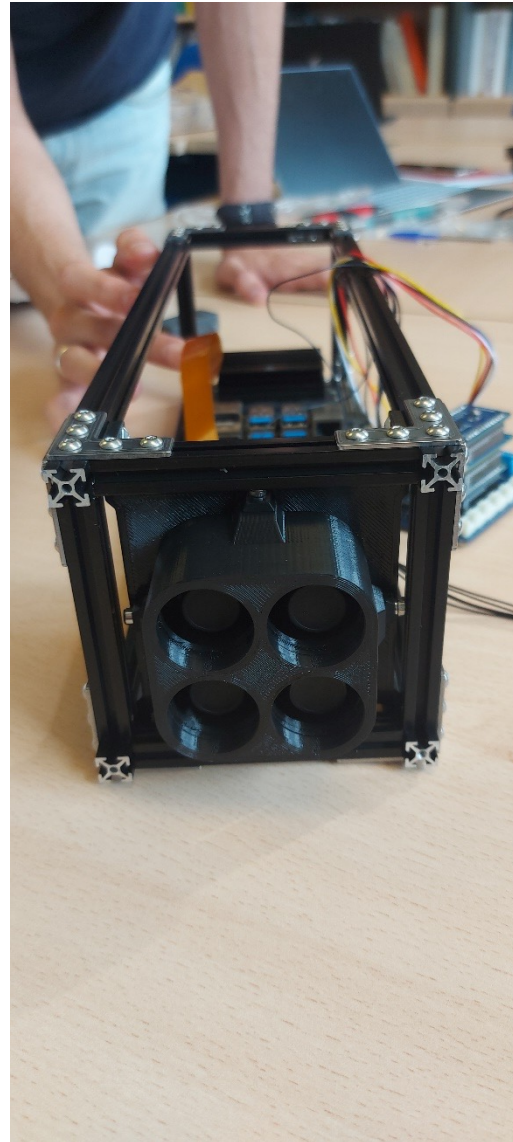
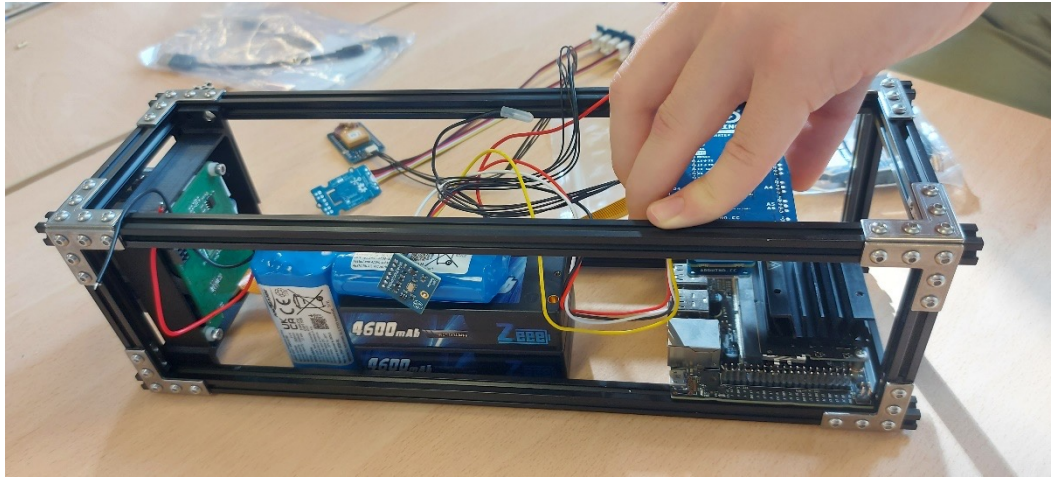


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Past and on-going projects

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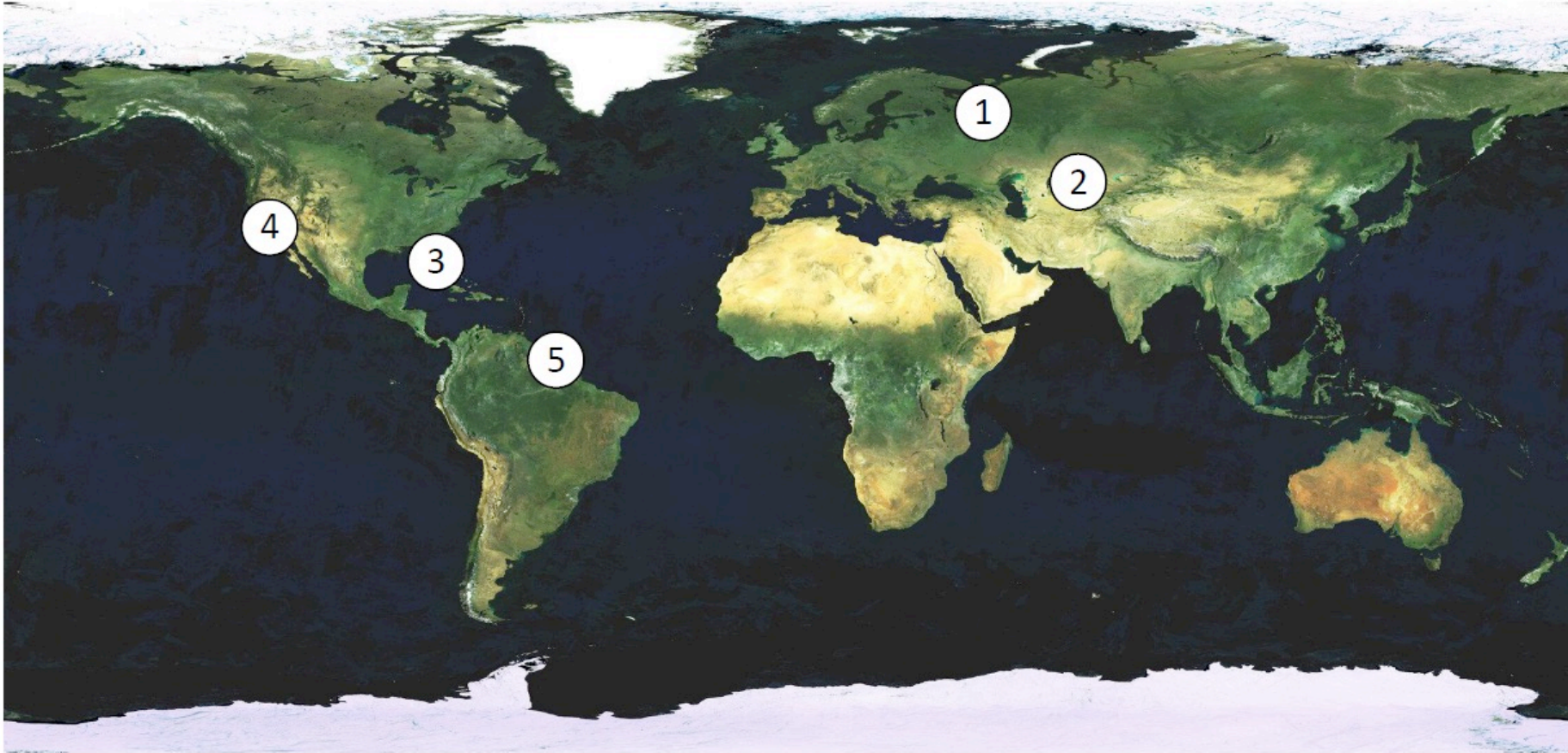
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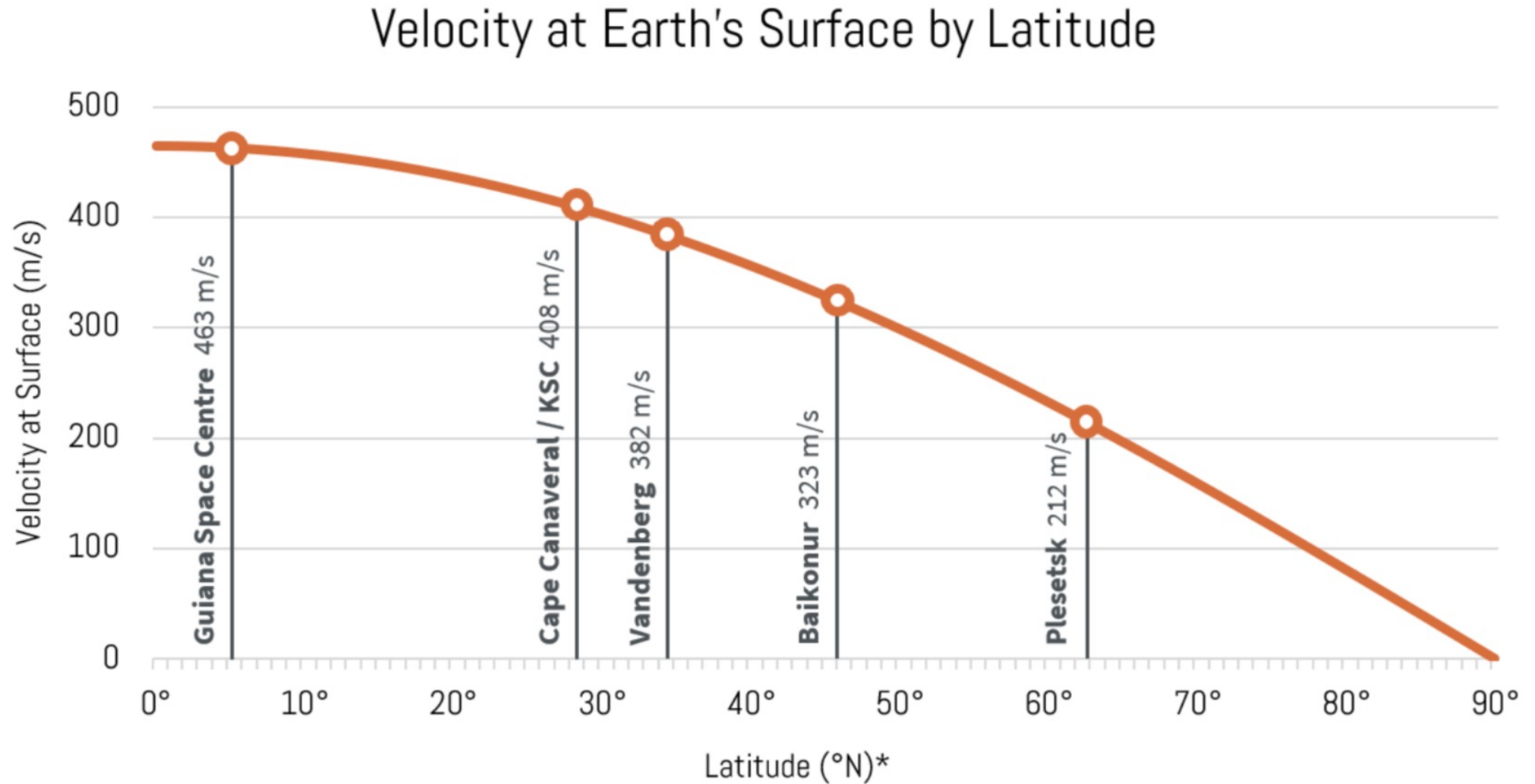
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SPACE



- 1. Cosmódromo de Plesetsk**
1966
1957-2021: 1589 lanzamientos
- 2. Cosmódromo de Baikonur**
1957
1957-2021: 1431 lanzamientos
- 3. Cabo Cañaveral**
1958
1957-2021: 935 lanzamientos
- 4. Base Aérea Vandenberg**
1959
1957-2021: 625 lanzamientos
- 5. Puerto Espacial Kourou**
1970
1957-2021: 296 lanzamientos

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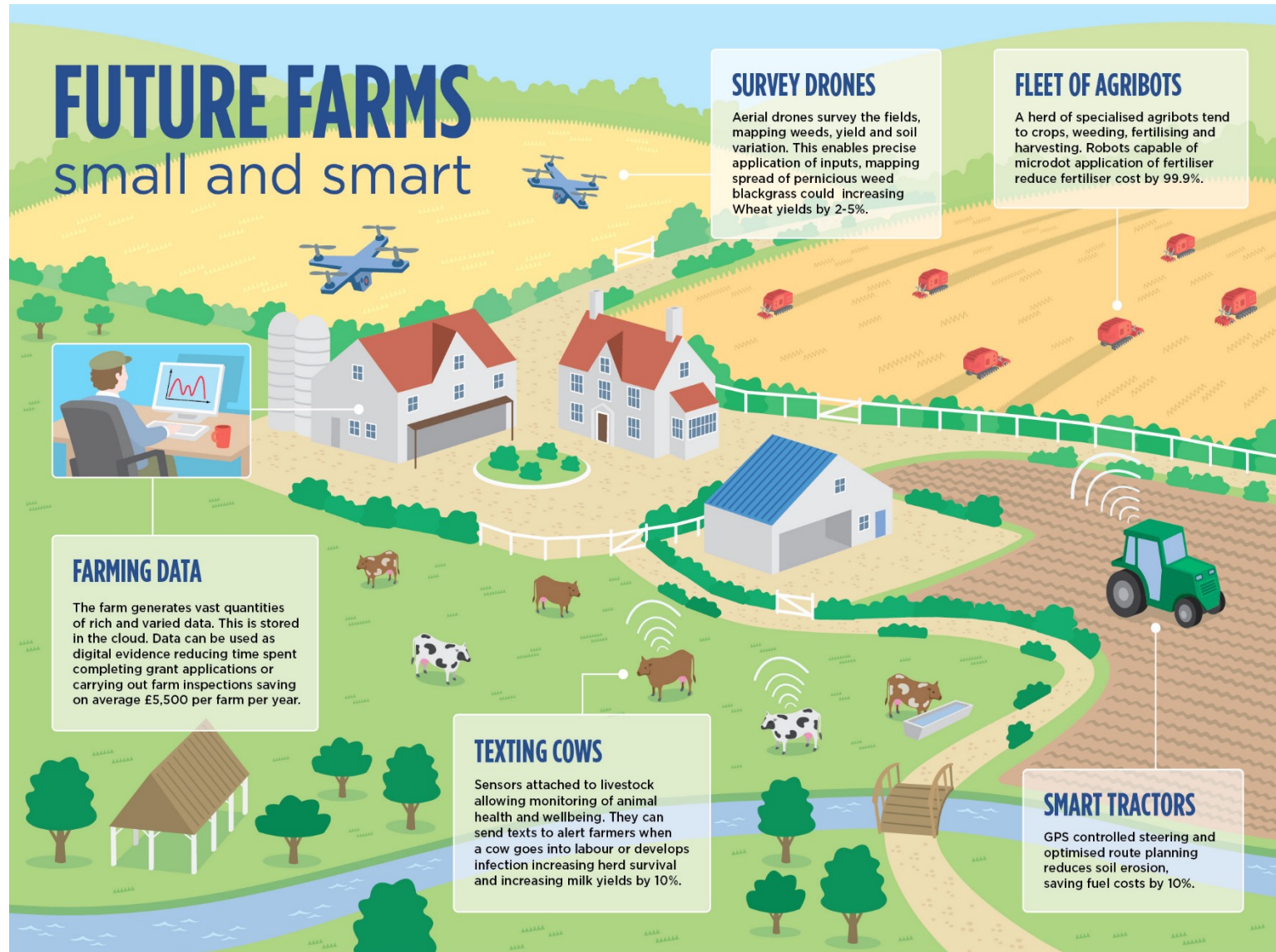


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San Marco Platform (Kenya)
1964-1988

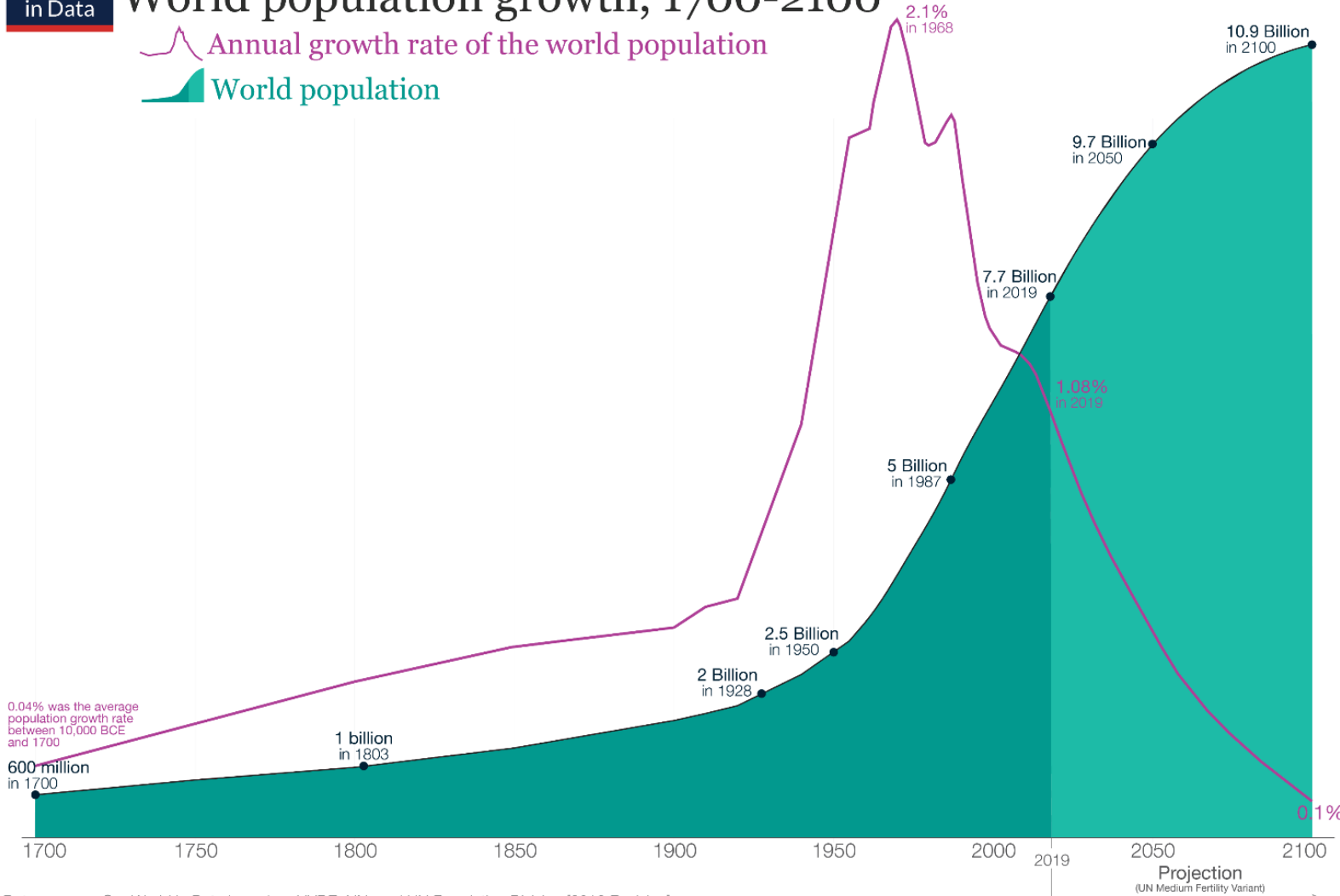


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Our World in Data

World population growth, 1700-2100

Annual growth rate of the world population
World population



Data sources: Our World in Data based on HYDE, UN, and UN Population Division [2019 Revision]
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THE WORLD'S Most Populous Countries

In 1973, the global population was just shy of 4 billion people. Here's how the top 10 most populous countries have changed over the past 50 years.

In 1980, China rolled out its One-Child Policy nationwide. The plan designed to curb the country's rapid population growth.



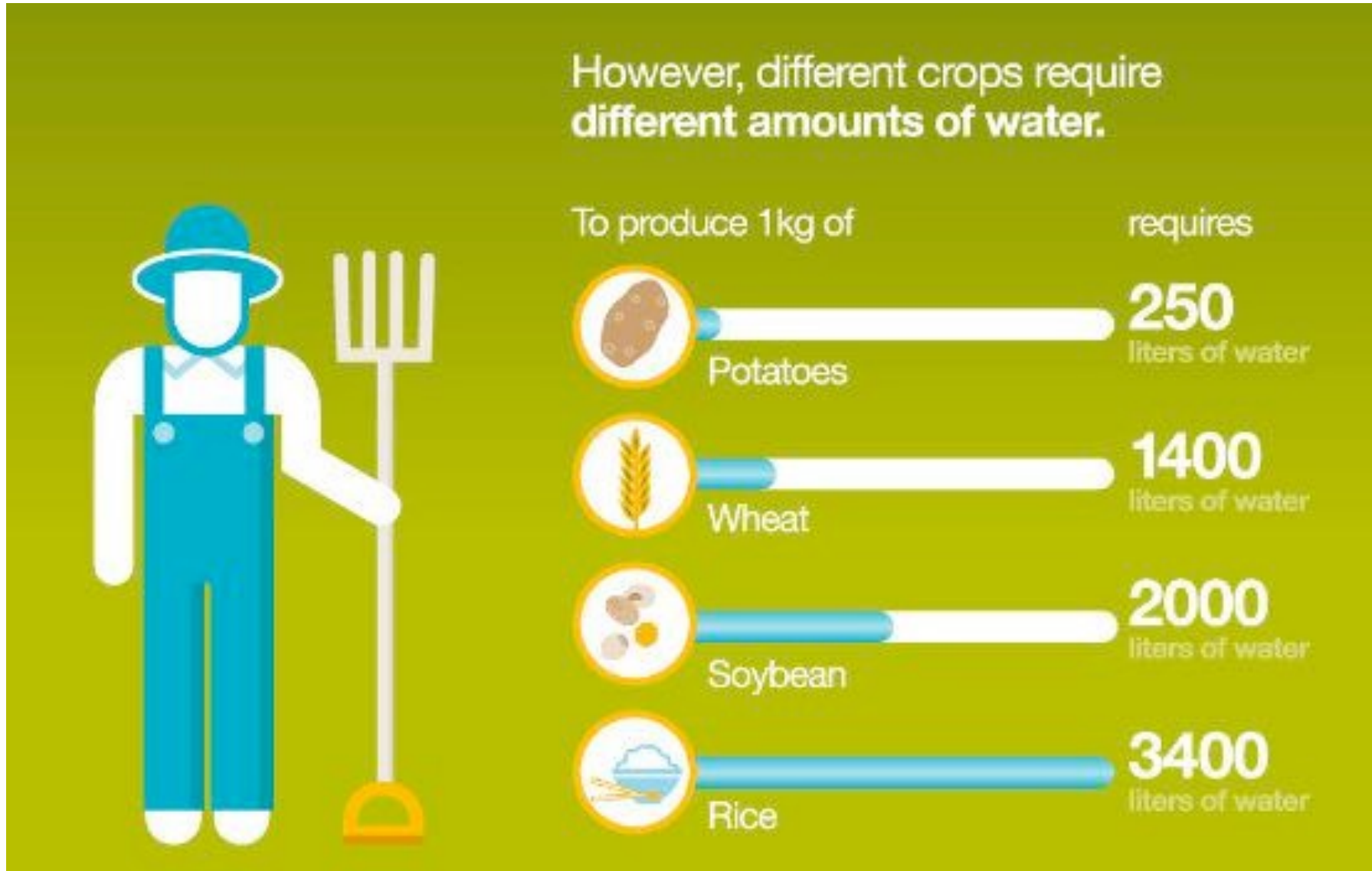
In 2023, a historic shift is expected to occur, with India becoming the world's most populous country. One of the biggest shifts over the past 50 years has been the rise of Nigeria's population. The country could surpass the U.S. by the mid-2040s. Germany, once one of the world's most populous countries, has dropped all the way down to 19th position.

Source: <https://population.un.org/wpp/>

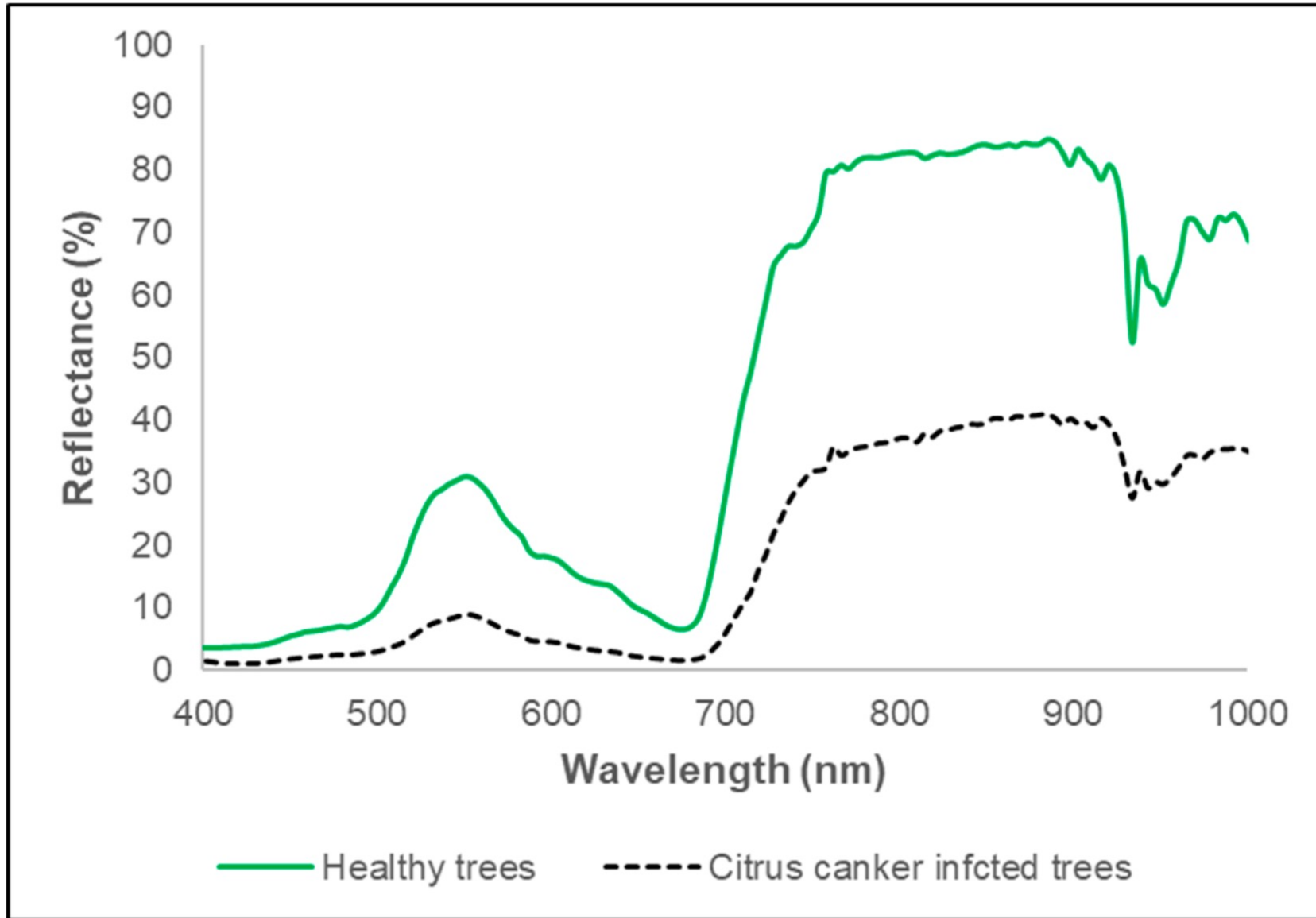
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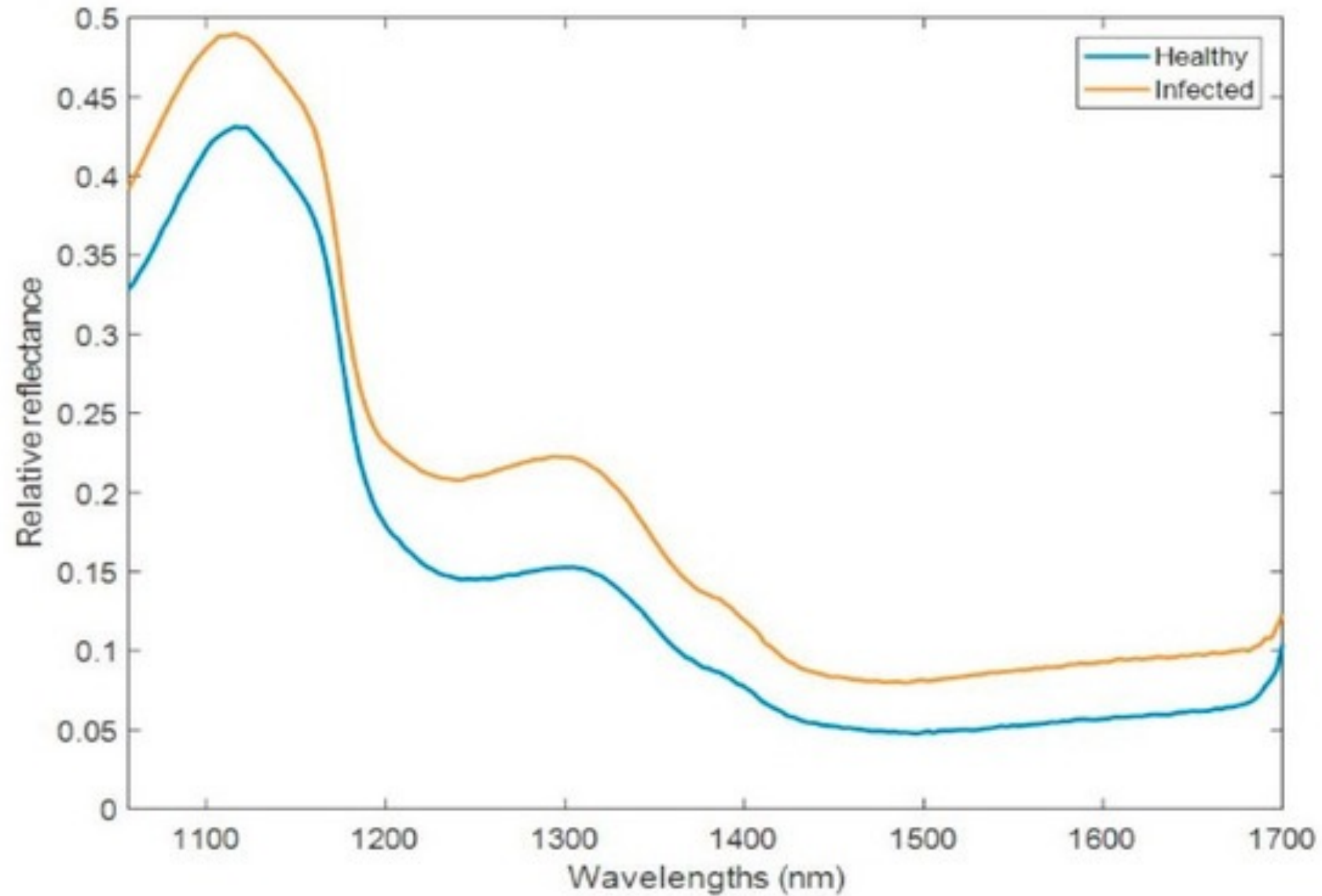
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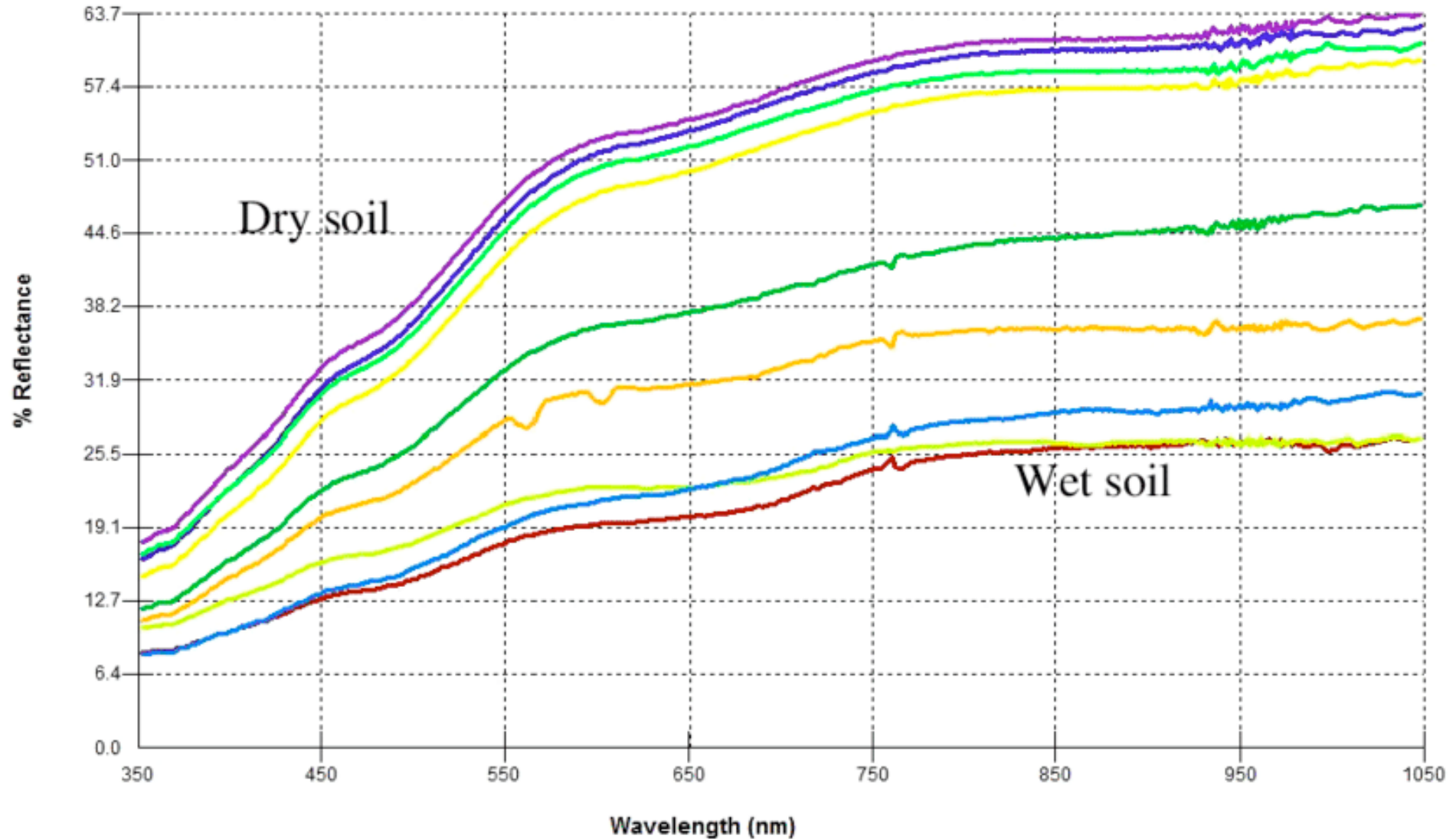
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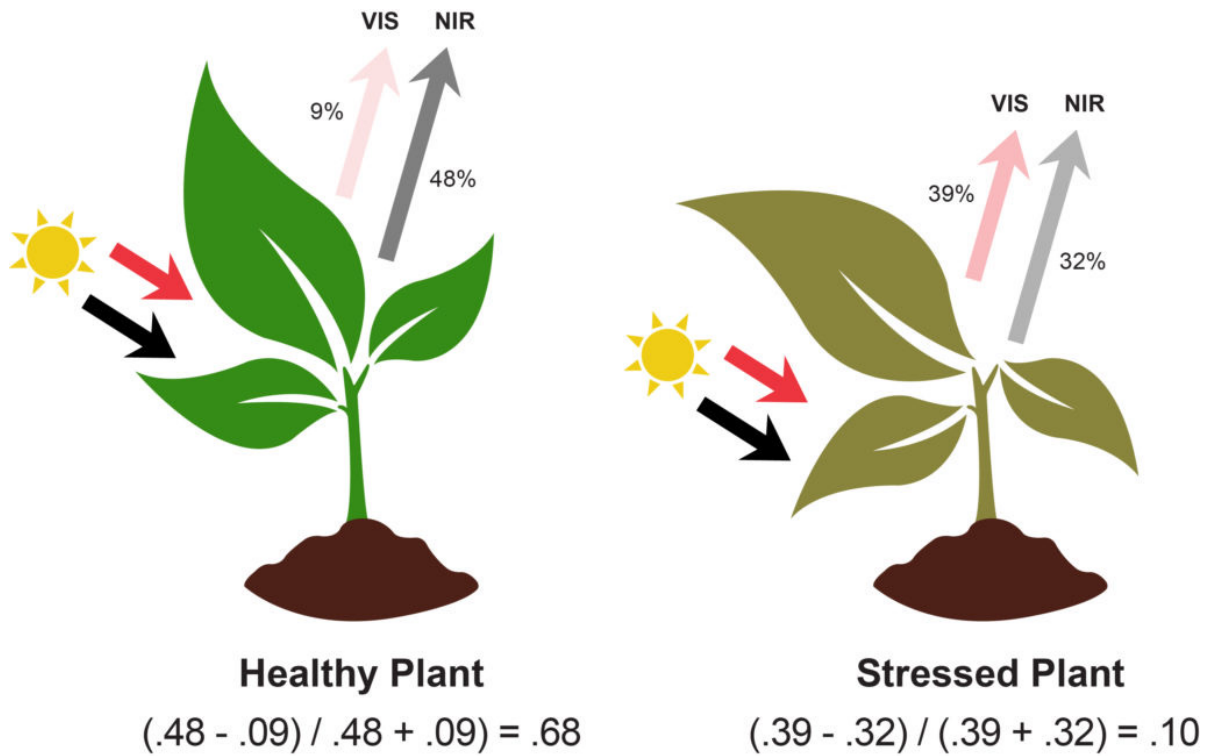


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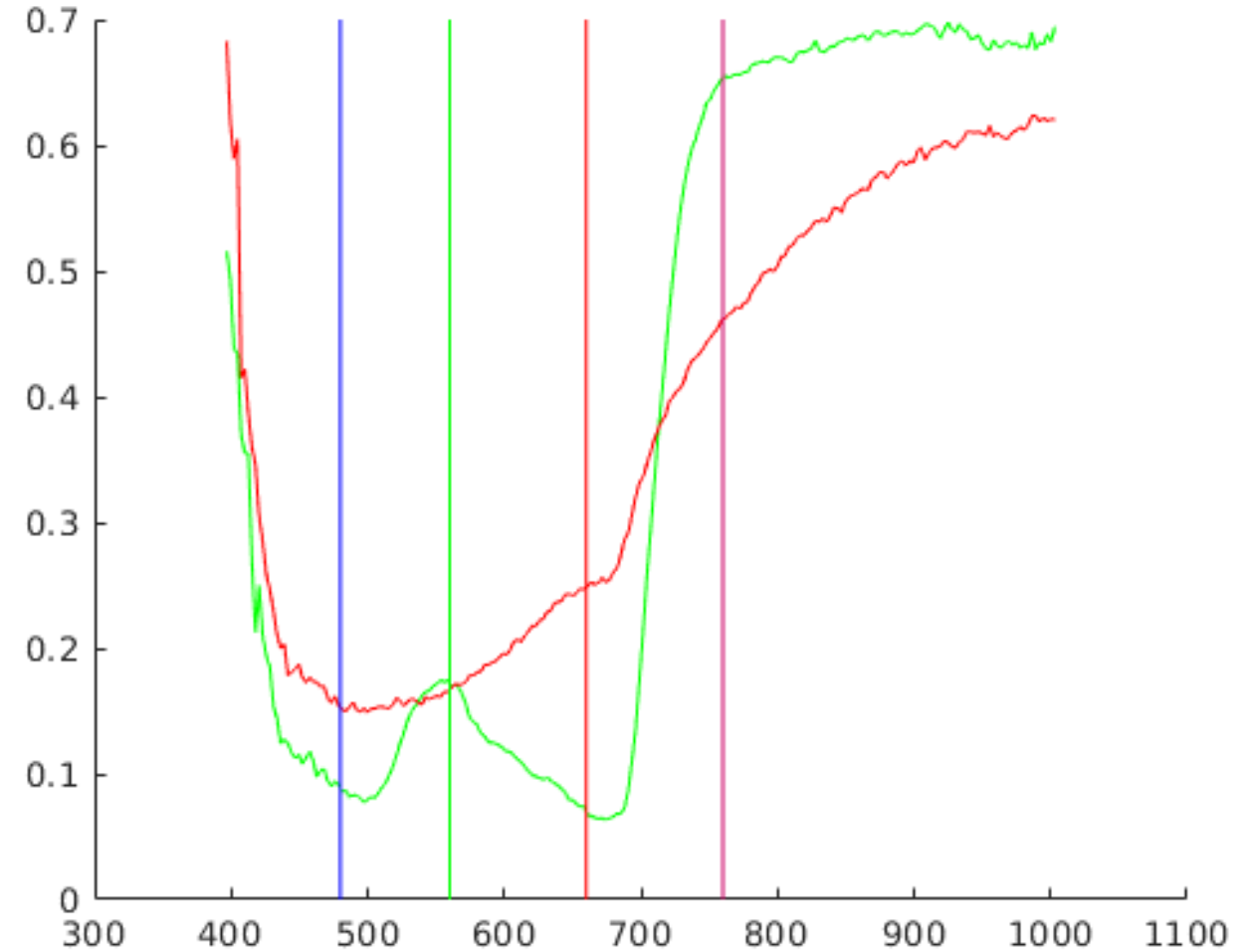
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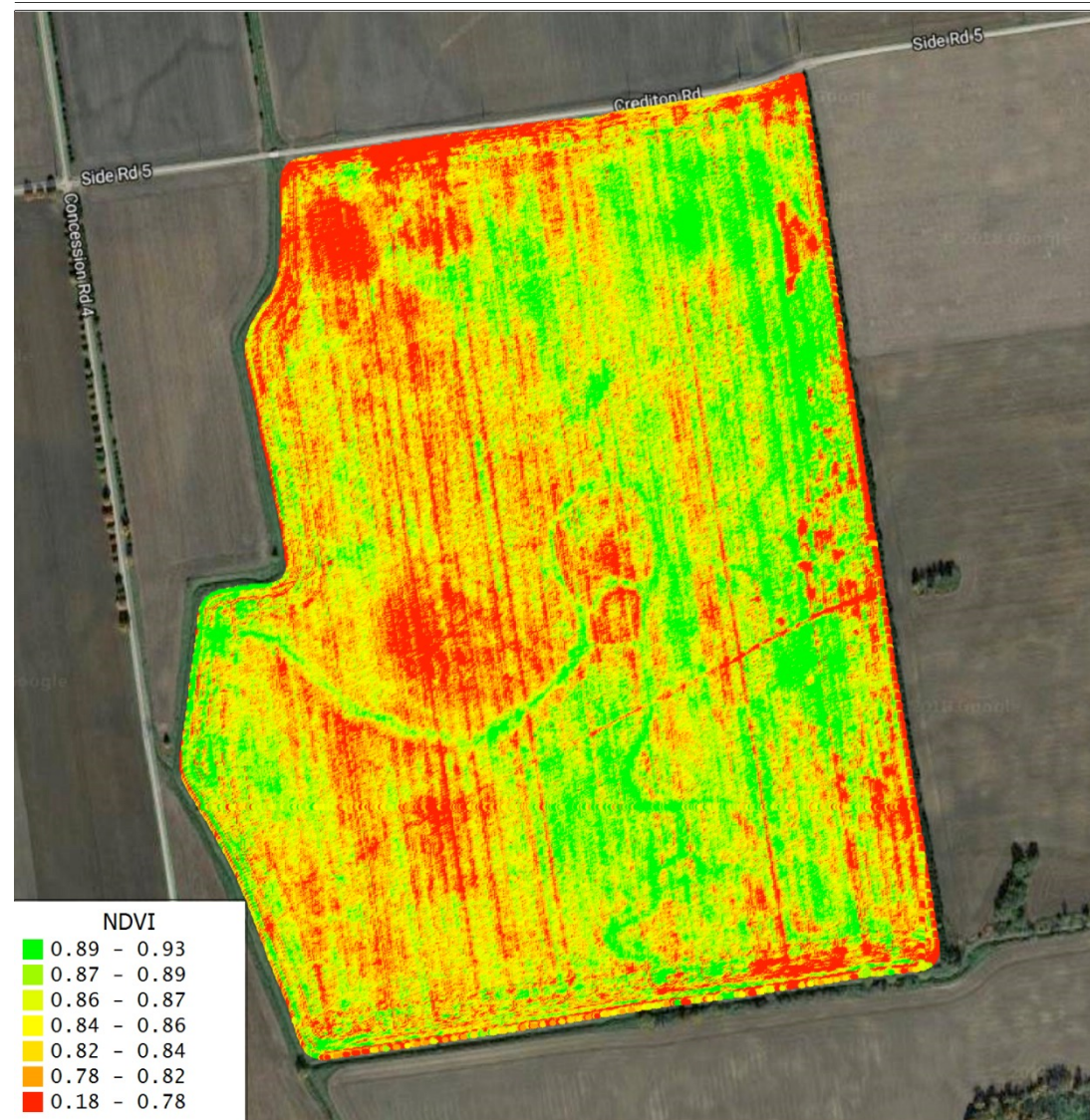


$$0 \leq NDVI \leq 1$$

$$NDVI = \frac{NIR - RED}{NIR + RED}$$



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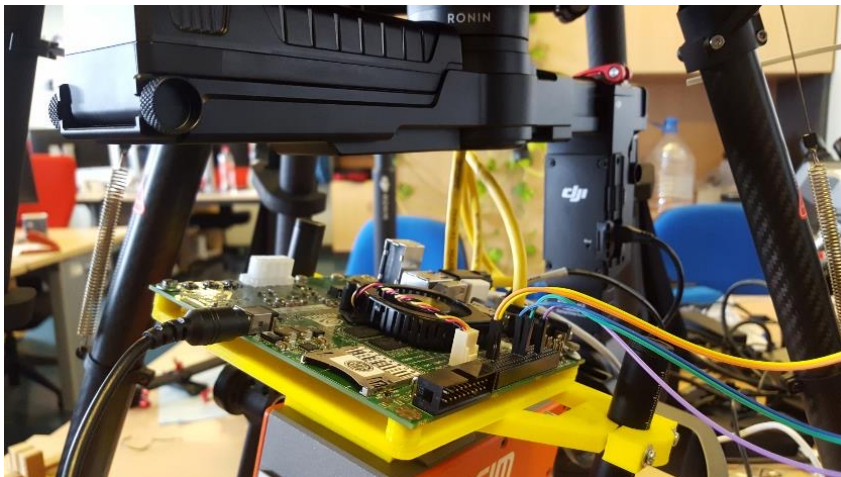
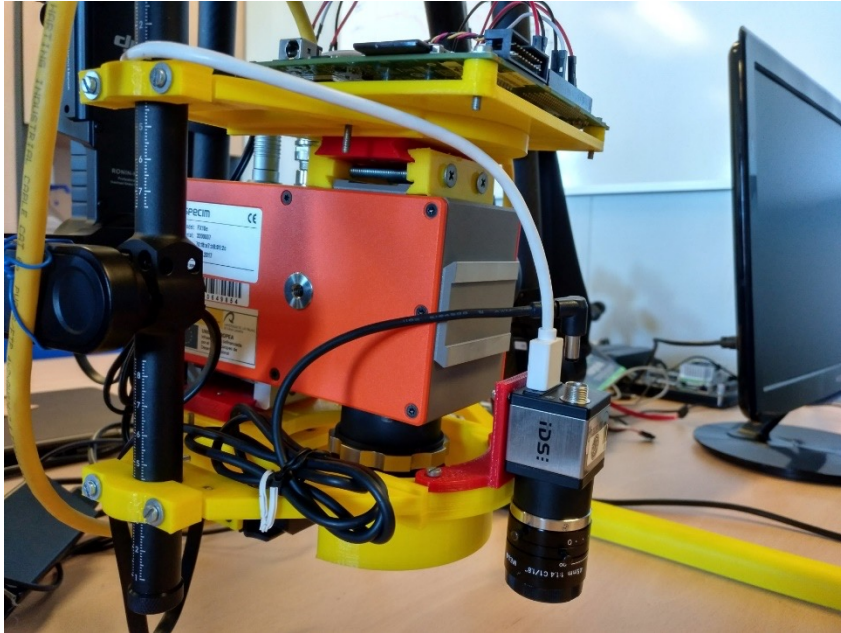
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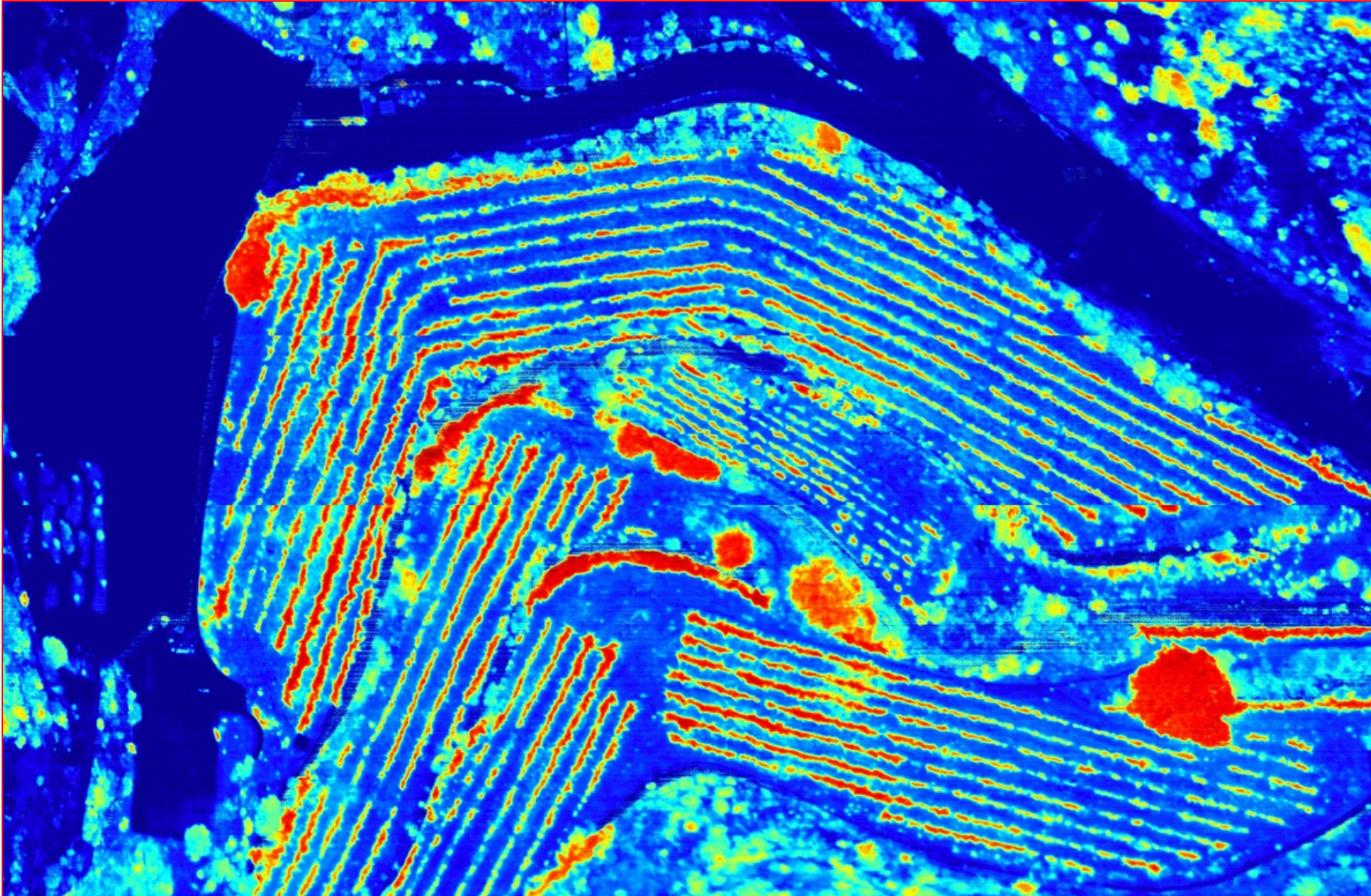
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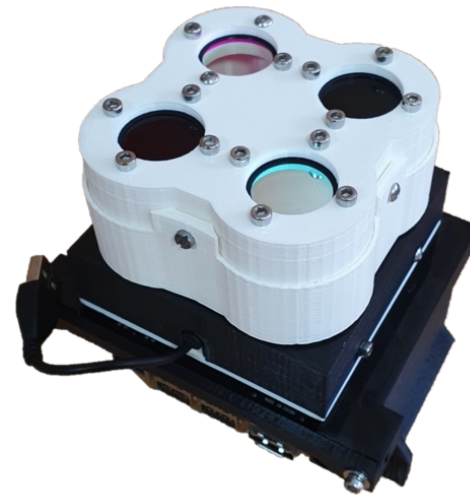
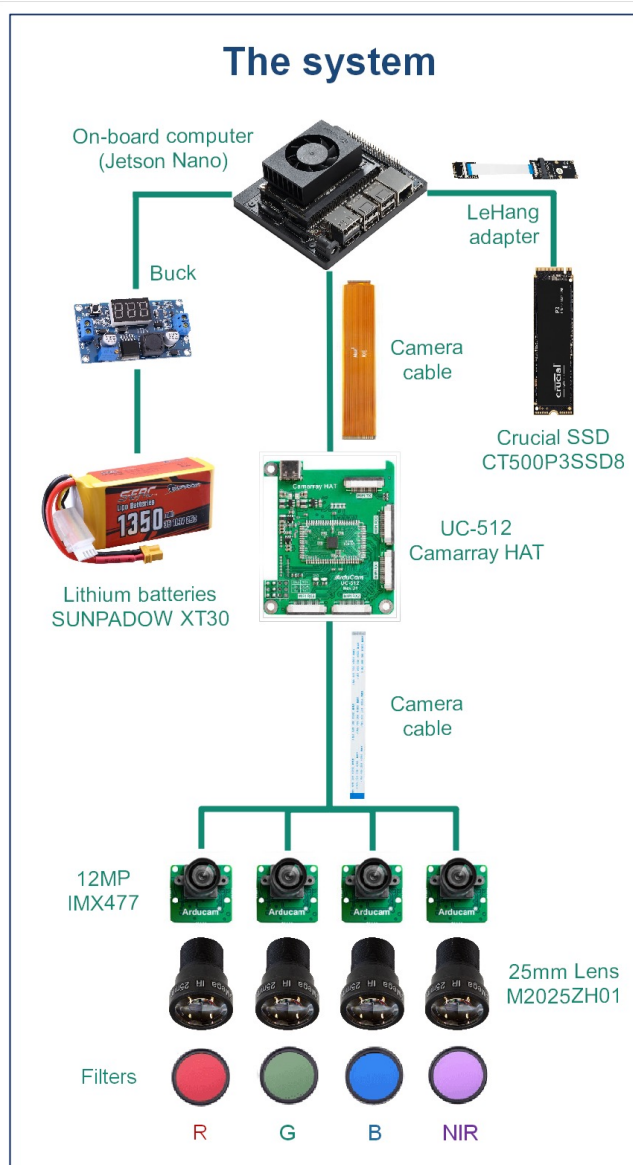
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*NDVI false color image of a vineyard
(taken from a UAV in Gran Canaria)*

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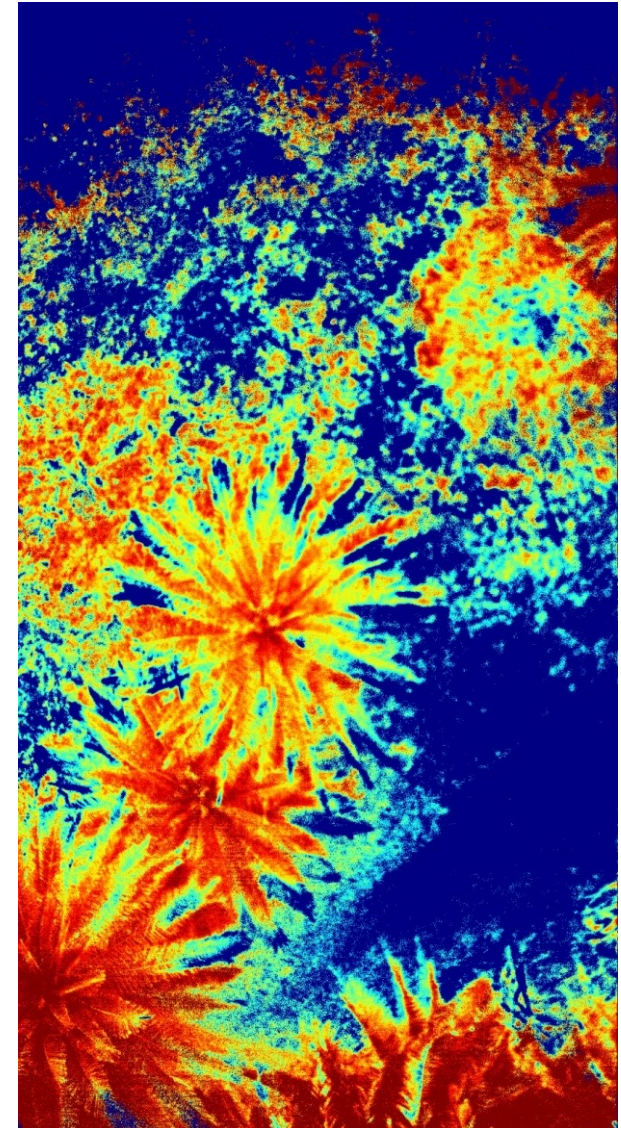
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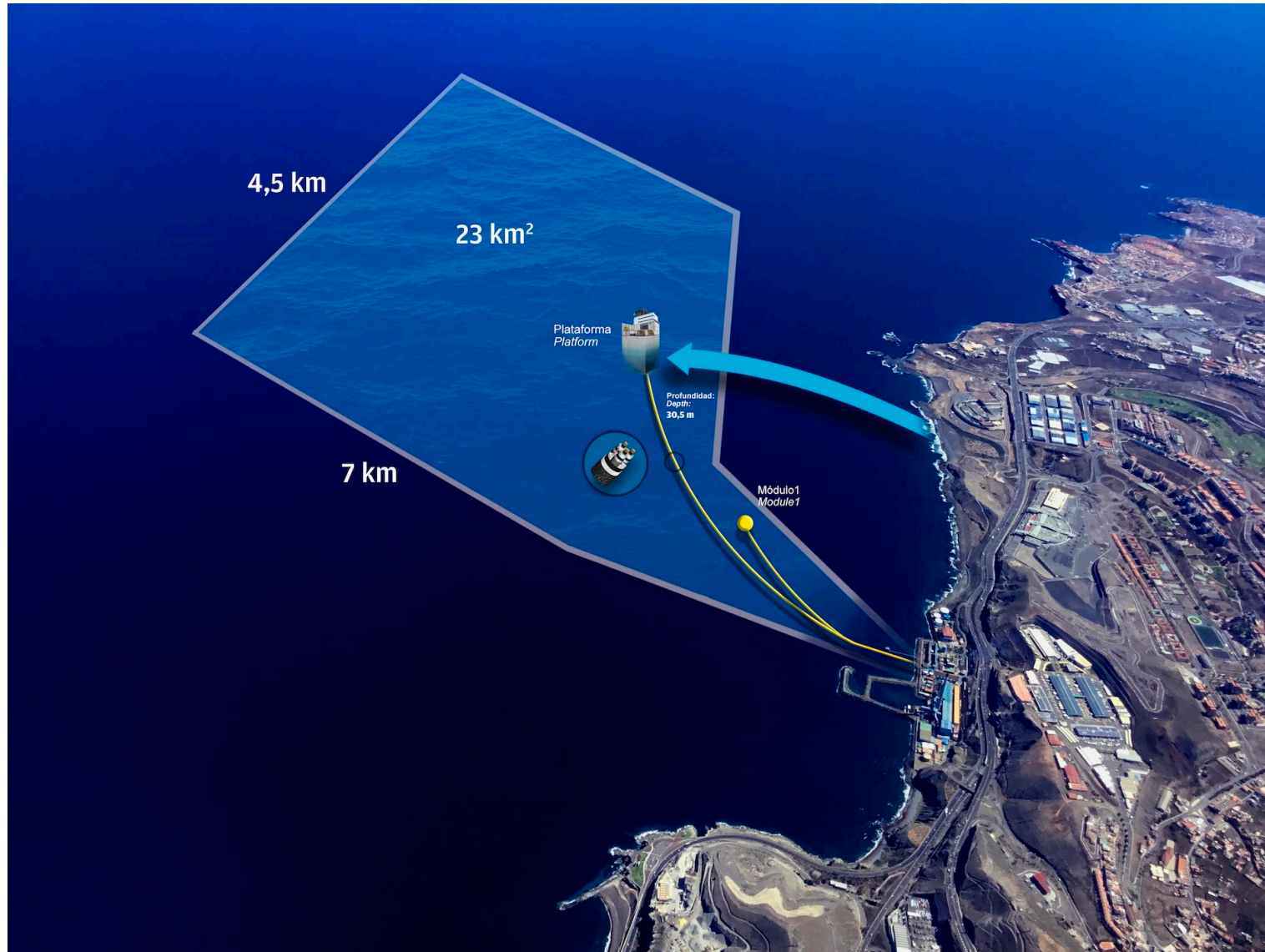
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Plataforma Oceánica
de Canarias

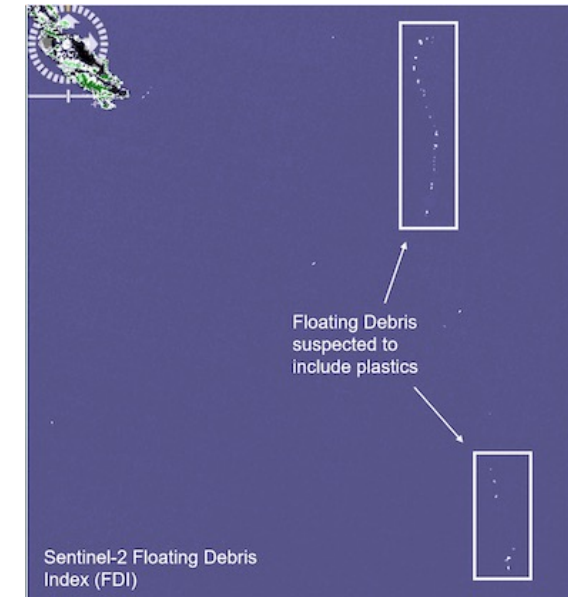
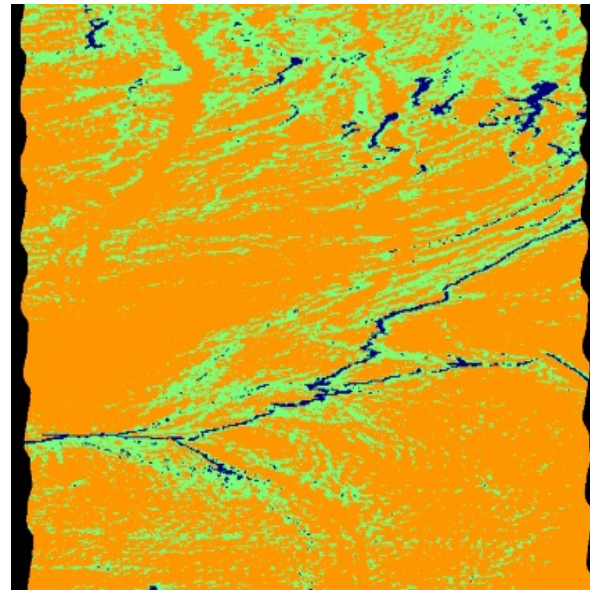
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CURRENT LINES OF STUDY

- Spectral analysis of oil spills
- Unsupervised semantic segmentation NN
- Detection of floating debris at sea



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- **DEEP WATER HORIZON**

Location: Gulf of Mexico in 2010

Duration of discharge: 3 months

- **NORMALIZED DIFFERENCE OIL INDEX**

$$NDOI = \frac{\lambda_{599} - \lambda_{870}}{\lambda_{599} + \lambda_{870}}$$

- **AVIRIS SENSOR**

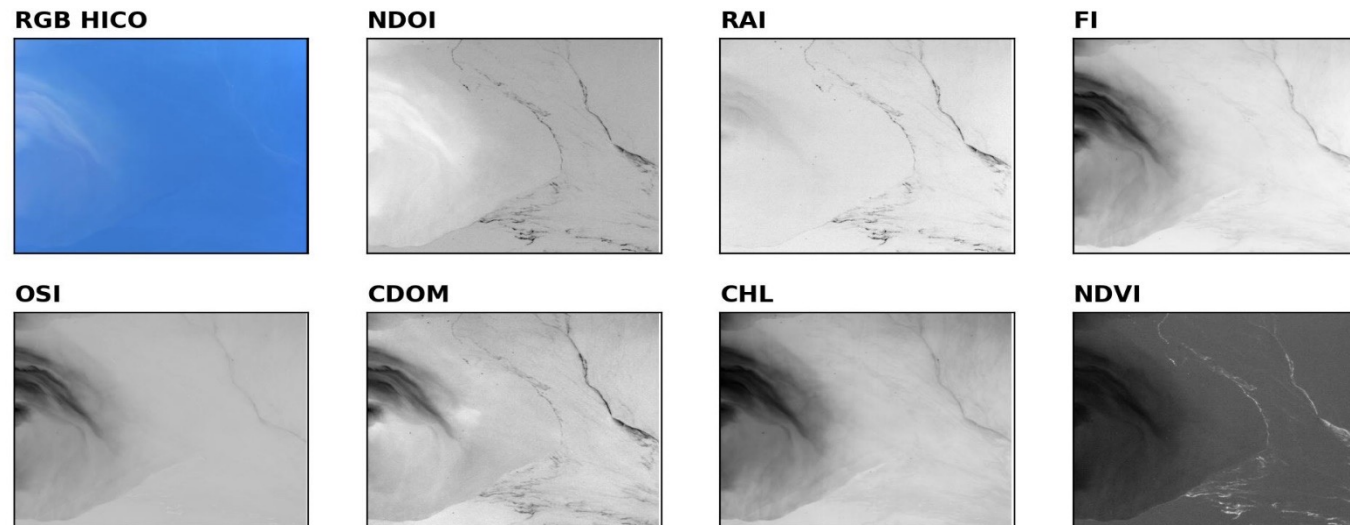
224 bands in VNIR-SWIR



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MOST CITED INDICES FOR IDENTIFYING SPILLS.

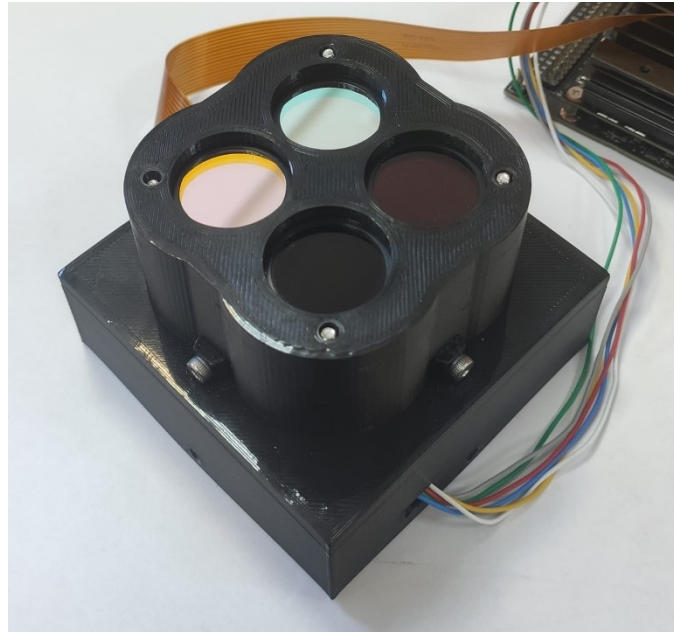
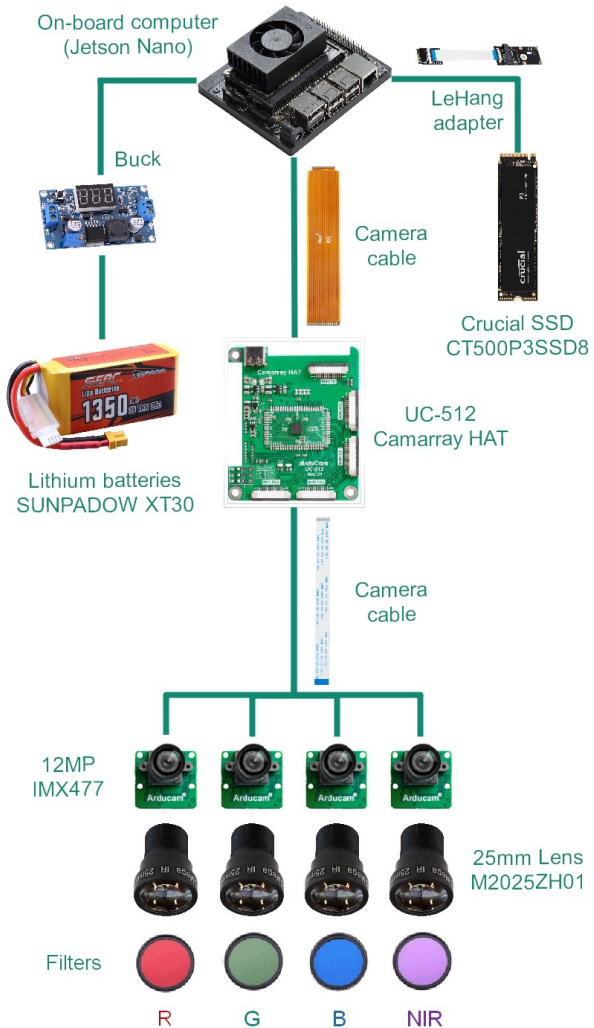
Index	Equation	Measured property
RAI	$(\text{Blue} - \text{IR}) / (\text{Blue} + \text{IR}) \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N b_i^2}$	Oil fluorescent characteristics
FI	$(\text{Blue} - \text{Red}) / (\text{Blue} + \text{Red})$	Oil fluorescent characteristics
OSI	$(DN_{\lambda_{Red}} - DN_{\lambda_{Yellow}}) / (\lambda_{Red} - \lambda_{Yellow})$	Existence of crude oil
CDOM	R_{565} / R_{660}	Seawater characteristics
CHL	$\log(\max(R_{433,490,510}) / R_{555})$	Surface chlorophyll <i>a</i>
NDVI	$(\text{NIR} - \text{Red}) / (\text{NIR} + \text{Red})$	Live green vegetation



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The system



ELECTRICAL VTOL

ENDURANCE
Aprox. 6 hors

ECONOMICAL SOLUTION

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MTOW 4000 kg

PAYLOAD 1850 kg

ENDURANCE 25 hours

AUTONOMOUS

AMPHIBIOUS

REMOTELY PILOTED



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NEW BRAIN CANCER DECISION SYSTEM

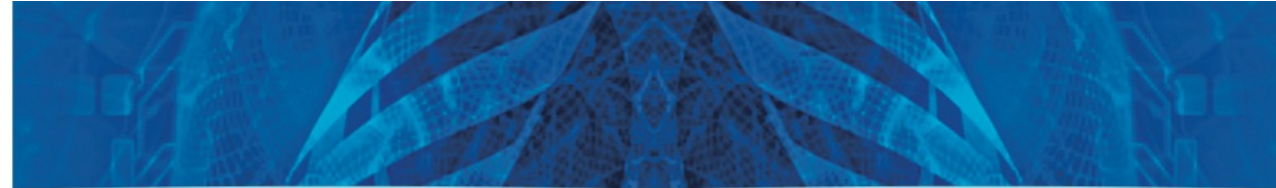
The main goal of the HELICoiD project is to apply hyperspectral imaging techniques to the precise localization of malignant tumours during surgical procedures. The HELICoiD project will develop an experimental intraoperative setup based on non-invasive hyperspectral cameras. This will be connected to a platform running a set of algorithms which are capable of discriminating between healthy and pathological tissues. **The prototype will be developed with the aim of recognising cancer tissues during the surgical procedure in real time.** This information will be provided to the surgeon via different display devices, and in particular by overlaying the conventional images with a simulated colour map to indicate the probability of any currently exposed tissue being cancerous. To meet these real time and in vivo cancer detection requirements, a hardware/software partition of the final platform will be derived, which will depend on the computational load requirements of the algorithms which are developed.

The integration of hyperspectral imaging and intraoperative imaged-guided surgery systems should have a direct impact on patient outcomes. Potential benefits include: allowing confirmation of complete resection during the surgical procedure, avoiding complications due to "body mass shift", and providing confidence that the goals of the surgery have been achieved.

A multidisciplinary consortium composed of surgeons, pathologists, ICT engineers, mathematicians and physicists has been created. Two European hospitals will be involved, as end-users, in setting the requirements for, and conducting validation of, the tools and systems developed within this project. If hyperspectral imaging techniques are demonstrated to be practical for surgical applications then it is expected that European industry related to hyperspectral imaging will be well placed to exploit this opportunity for growth.



To offer the best prospects for success, this project will adopt the algorithms-architectures-implementations co-exploration paradigm. It is our belief that translation of hyperspectral image technology to real-time medical applications cannot be achieved by developing algorithms, architectures and implementations separately. Rather, this goal is better served by adopting a fully integrated approach from the outset.



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Pictures:

- 1: Brain cancer operation at University Hospital Dr. Negrin.
- 2: HELICoiD hyperspectral cameras.
- 3: Surgeons and operation theatre at University Hospital Dr. Negrin.
- 4: Simulation of the surgeons display with the results of the algorithm. Real image and tumour map.



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HypERSpectral Imaging Cancer Detection

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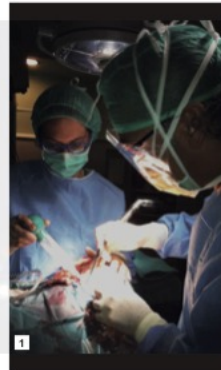
CHALLENGES OF BRAIN CANCER DETECTION

Brain cancer is one of the most important forms of the disease, and is a significant economic and social burden across Europe. The most common form is high-grade malignant glioma, which accounts for approximately 30-50% of primary brain cancers, with multiform glioblastoma making up 85% of these cases. These types of gliomas are characterized by fast-growing invasiveness, which is locally very aggressive, are in most cases unicentric and are rarely metastasizing.

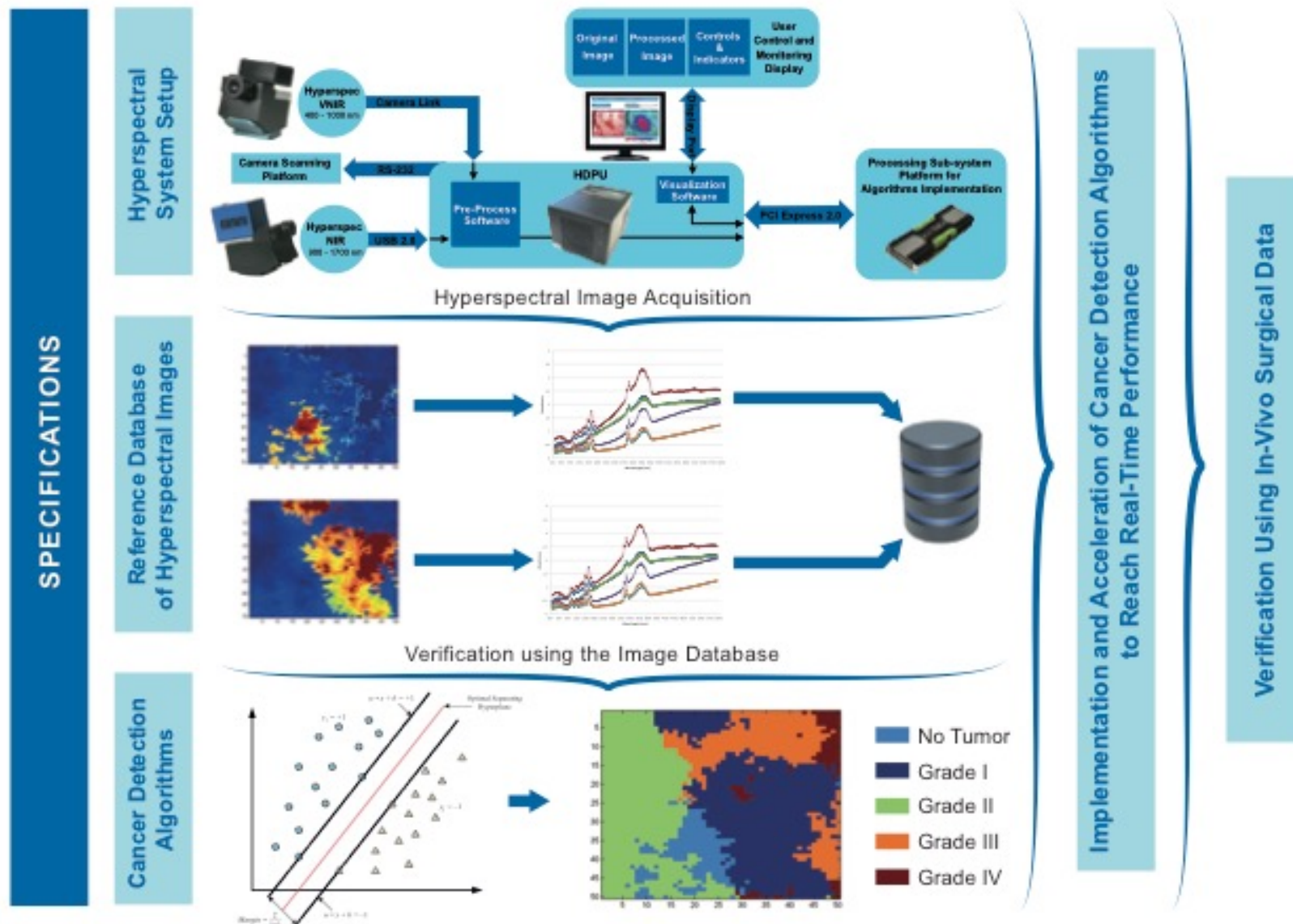
Despite the introduction of new aggressive treatments combining surgery, radiotherapy and chemotherapy, there continues to be treatment failure in the form of persistent or locally recurrent tumours (i.e. recurrence at the primary tumour location or within 2-3 cm of adjacent tissue). Median survival periods and 5-year survival rates for anaplastic astrocytomas are only 36 months and 18% respectively, whereas for glioblastoma multiforme these are 10 months and less than 5%, respectively.

The relevance and importance of complete resection for low grade tumours is well known, especially in paediatric cases. However, traditional diagnoses of internal tumours are based on excisional biopsy followed by histology or cytology. The main weakness of this standard methodology is twofold: firstly, it is an aggressive and invasive diagnosis with potential side effects and complications due to the surgical resection of both malign and healthy tissues; and secondly, diagnostic information is not available in real time and requires that the tissues are processed in a laboratory.

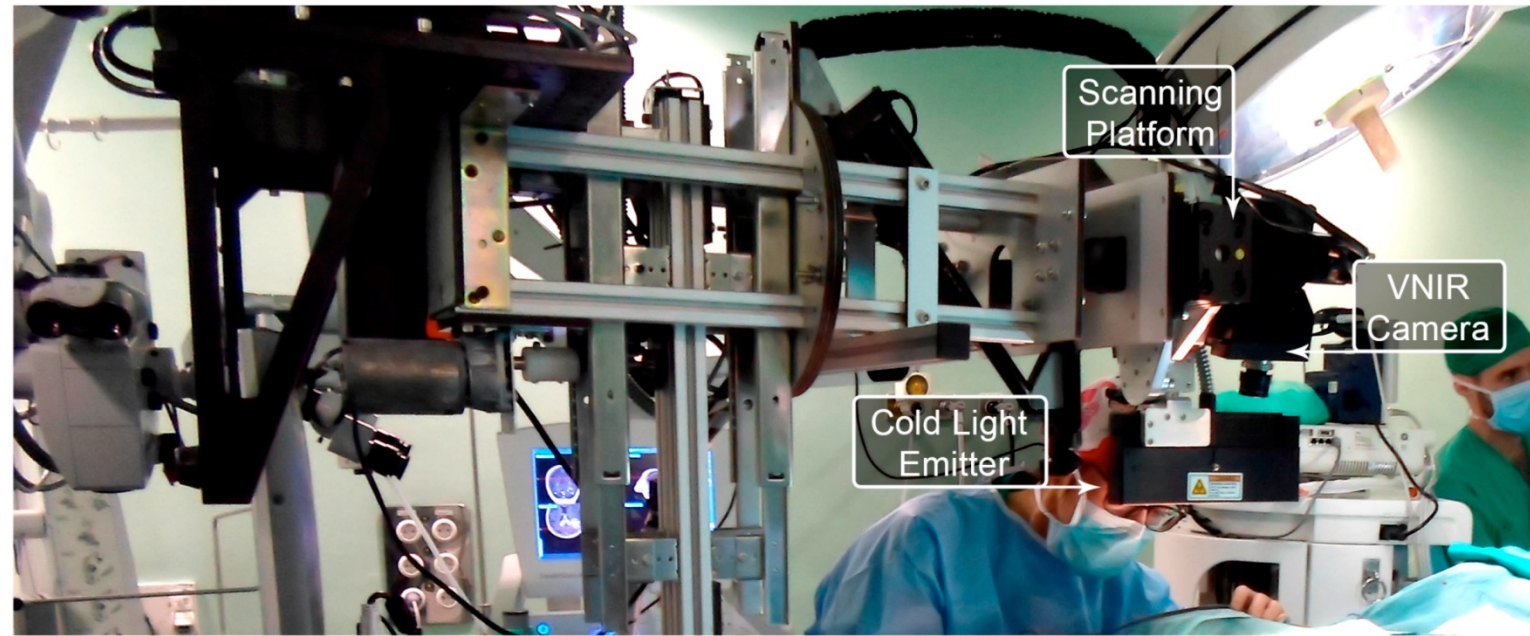
There are several alternatives to conventional optical visualisation through a surgical microscope, including magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computed tomography (CT), ultrasonography, Doppler scanning and nuclear medicine. Unlike these approaches, hyperspectral imaging offers the prospect of precise detection of the edges of the malignant tissues in real time during the surgical procedure.



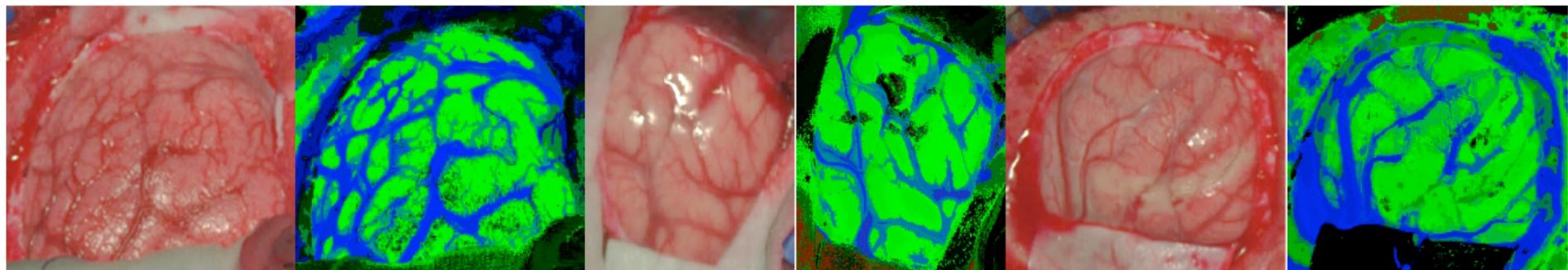
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