

SILVIA

**In-Orbit Demonstration
of
Ultra-Precision
Formation Flying**

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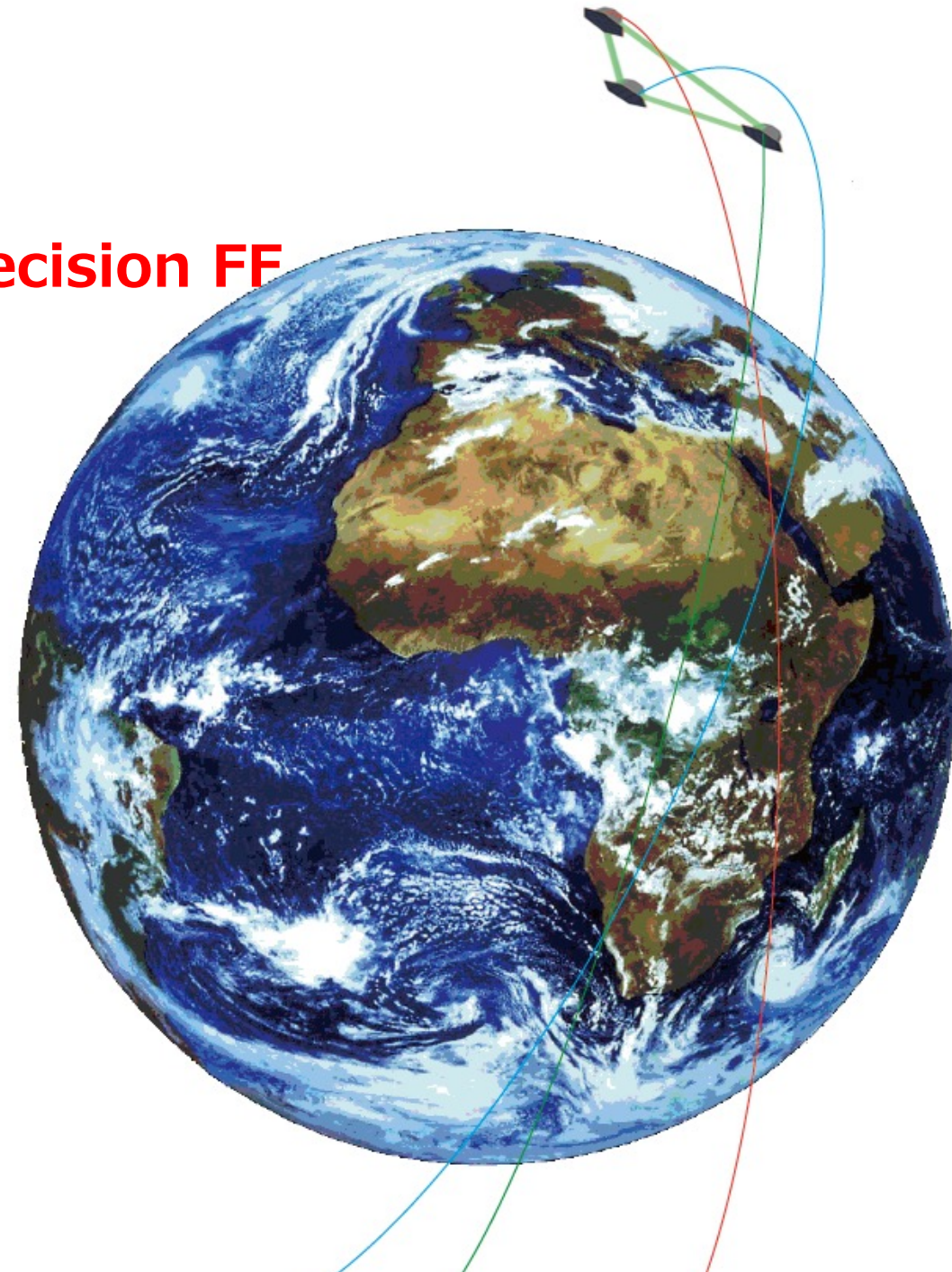
Acquisition of technologies relevant to **precision FF**

❖ **JAXA's M-class mission concept**

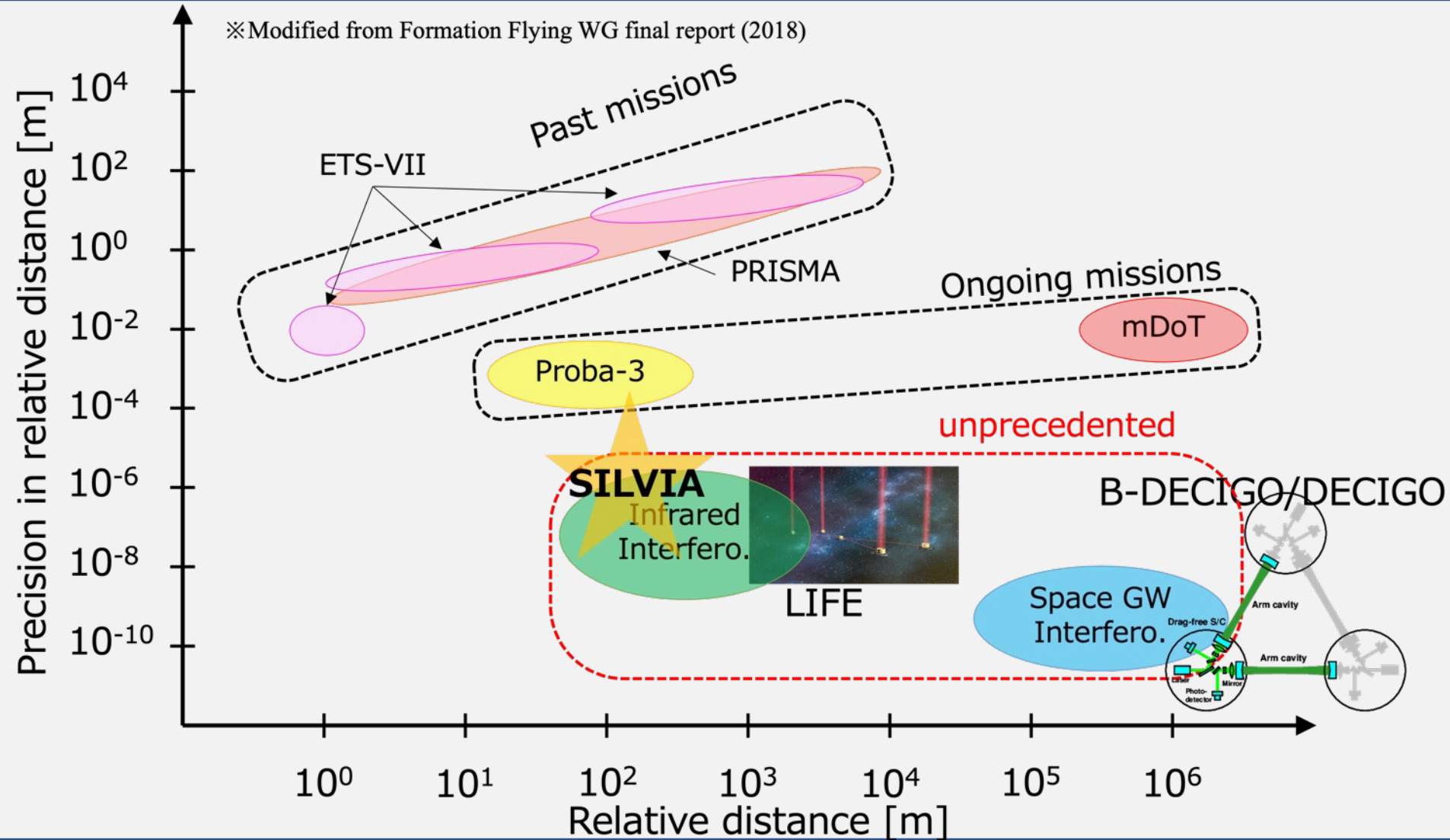
- Use of Epsilon launch vehicle
- SILVIA proposed in Feb. 2020
- SILVIA proceeded to Pre-phase A1b in Aug. 2020

❖ **Technology demonstration**

- Precision formation flying
- Inter-satellite laser interferometer
- Drag-free control for disturbance suppression

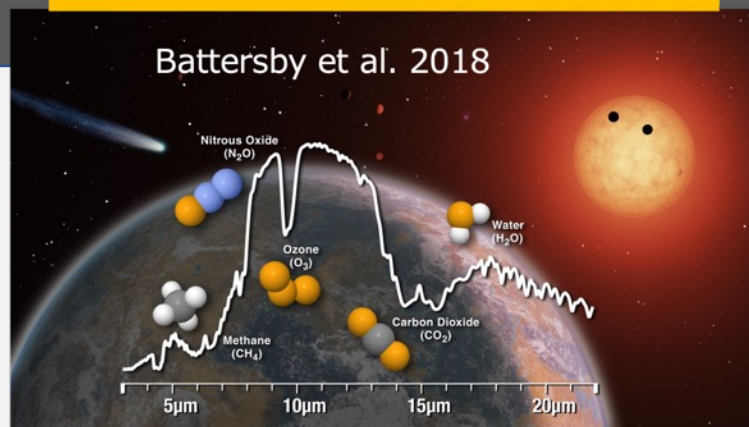


Strategy

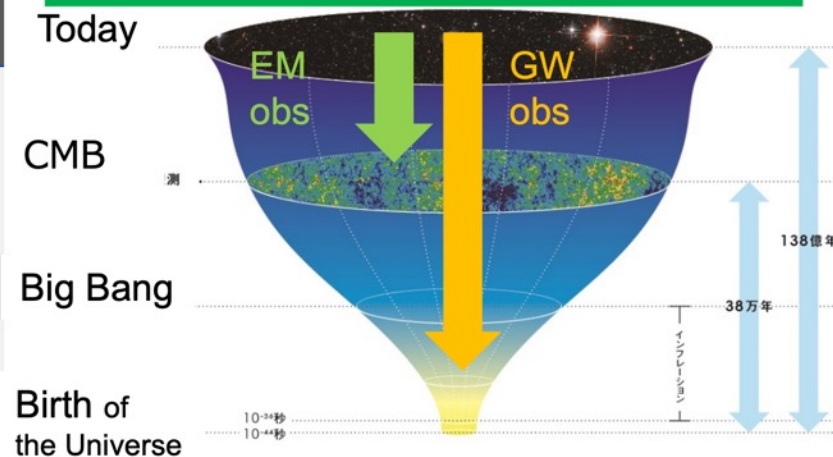


Ultimate goals

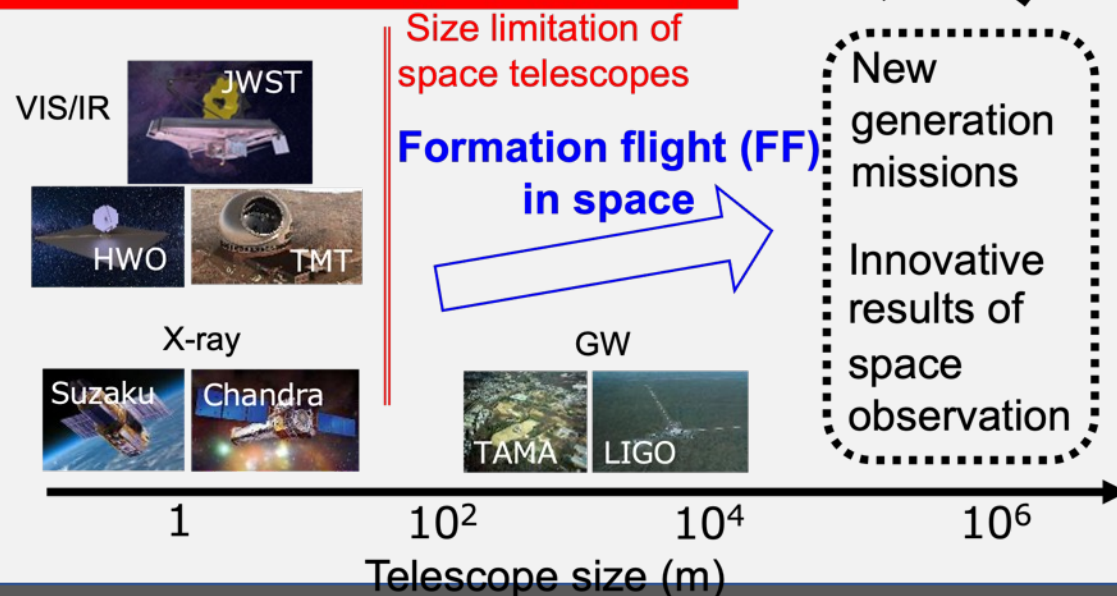
Search for life in the Universe



Observation of the Early Universe



Necessity of SILVIA



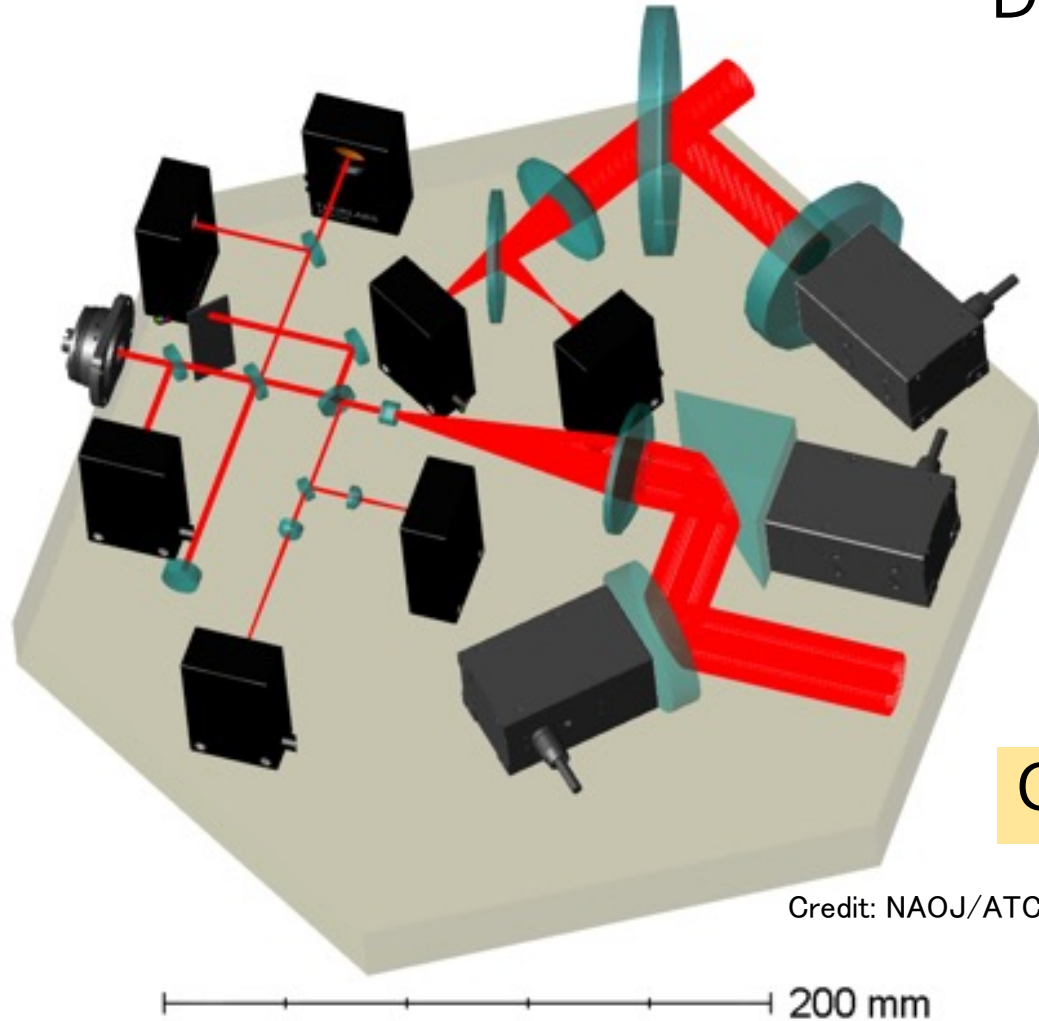
Problems

- Increased telescope size
 - Size limitation
 - Technical difficulty
 - Larger cost
 - Longer development term

Solution with FF

- Breaking the limitation
- Significant improvement in observation

Why NAOJ?



Credit: NAOJ/ATC

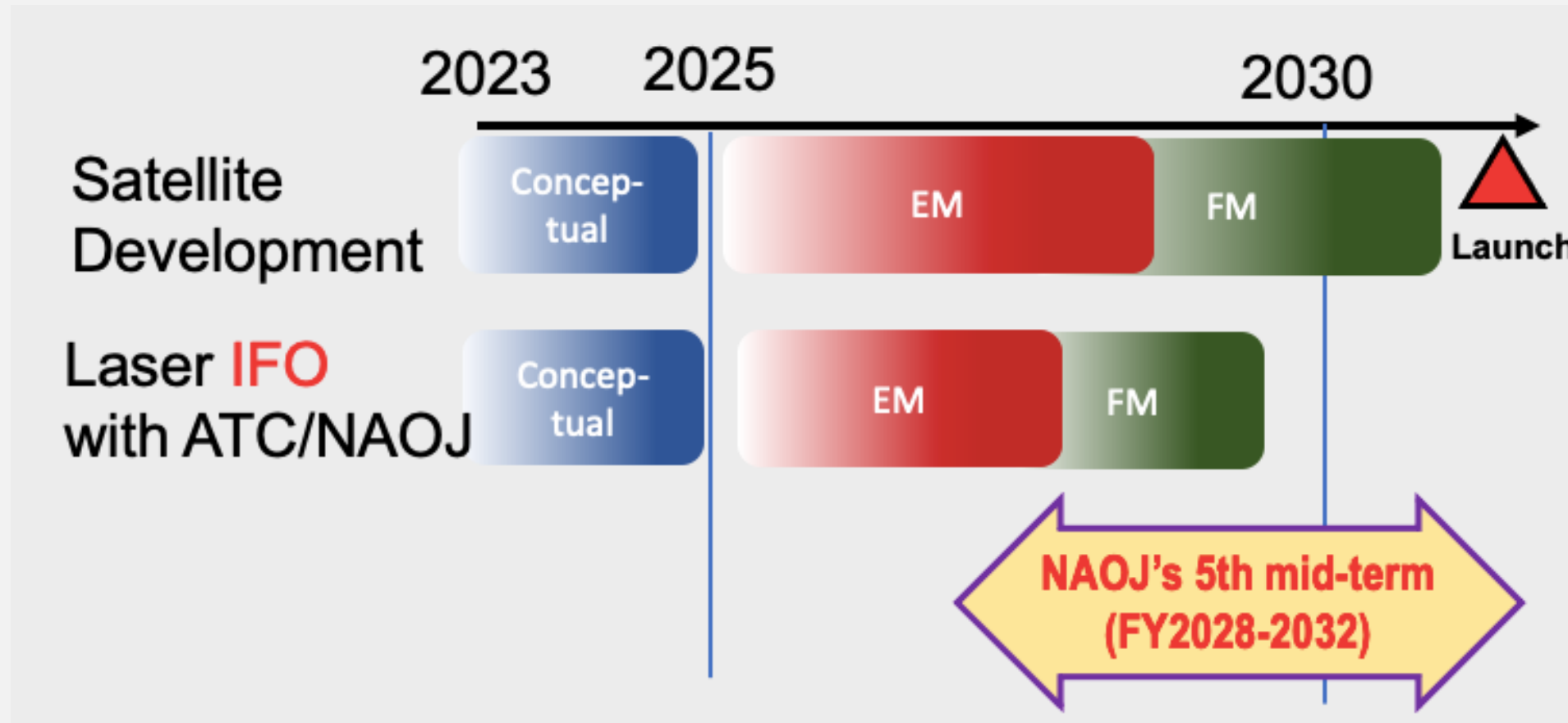
Development of laser interferometer subsystem

- Heritages on instrument development, including KAGRA and others
- Highly skilled teams at ATC
- Laser interferometer common to any precision FF missions

Contribution activities of ATC currently active.

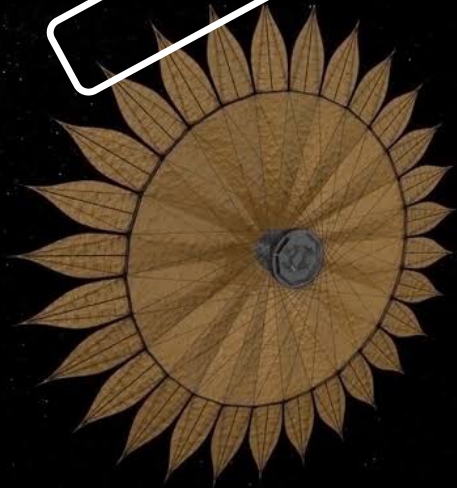
Current status

Currently in pre-phase A2, to be launched early 2030's



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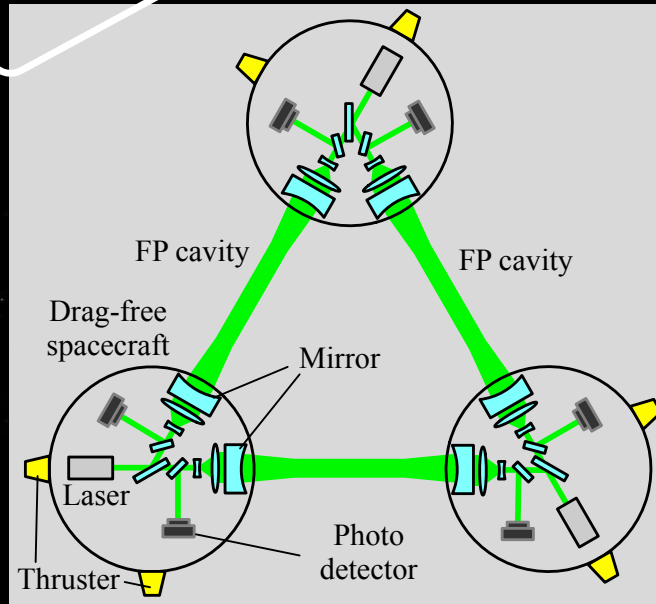
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Starshade (NASA)

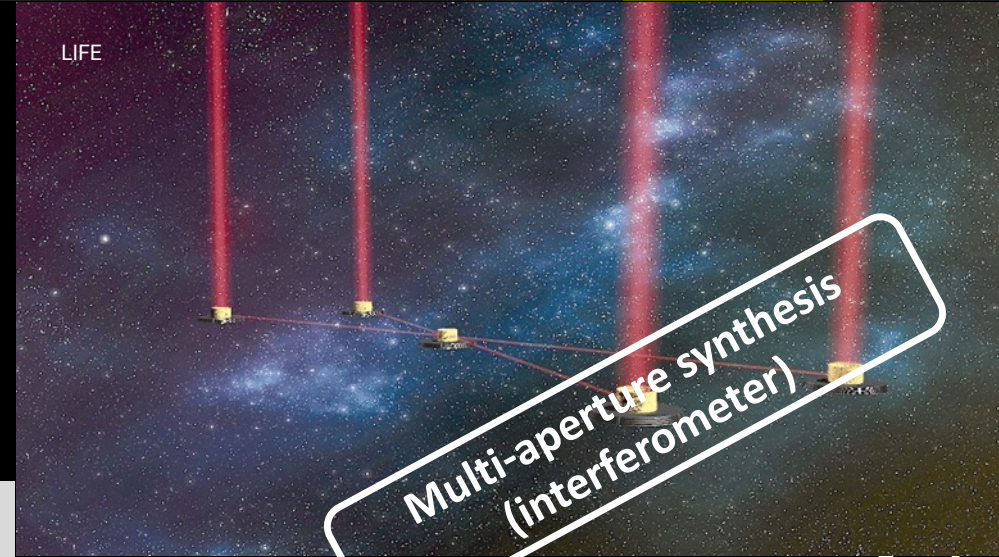


Gravitational wave observatories



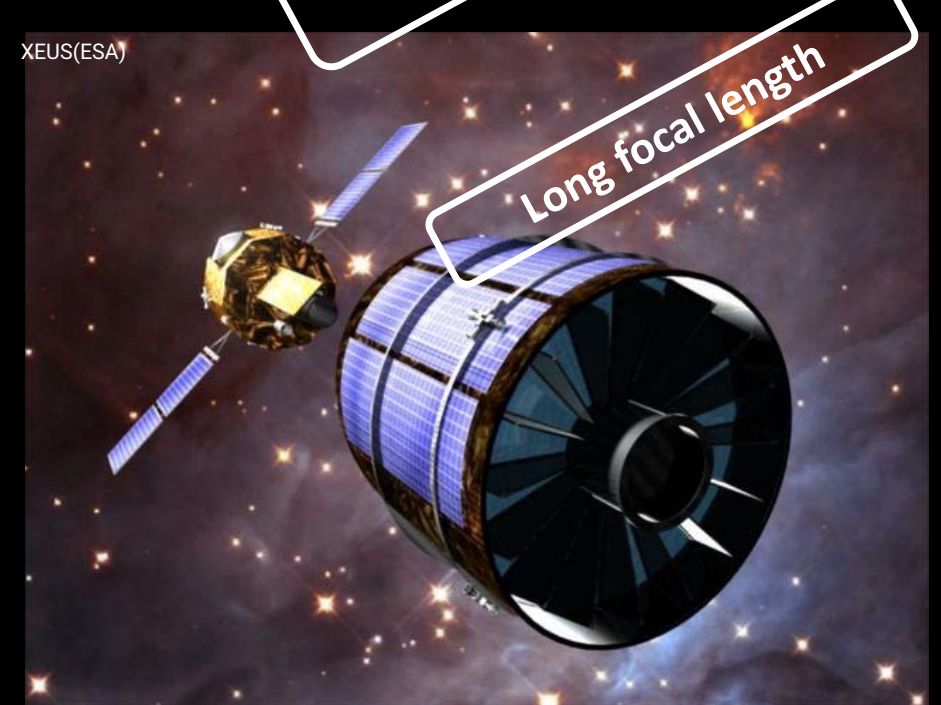
B-DECIGO/DECIGO
(Japan)

LIFE



Multi-aperture synthesis
(interferometer)

XEUS(ESA)



Long focal length