

**LO SPAZIO CHE SI AFFOLLA - SPACE
SITUATION AWARENESS E SPACE
SURVEILLANCE AND TRACKING
(SSA/SST):
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LA SICUREZZA NELLO SPAZIO

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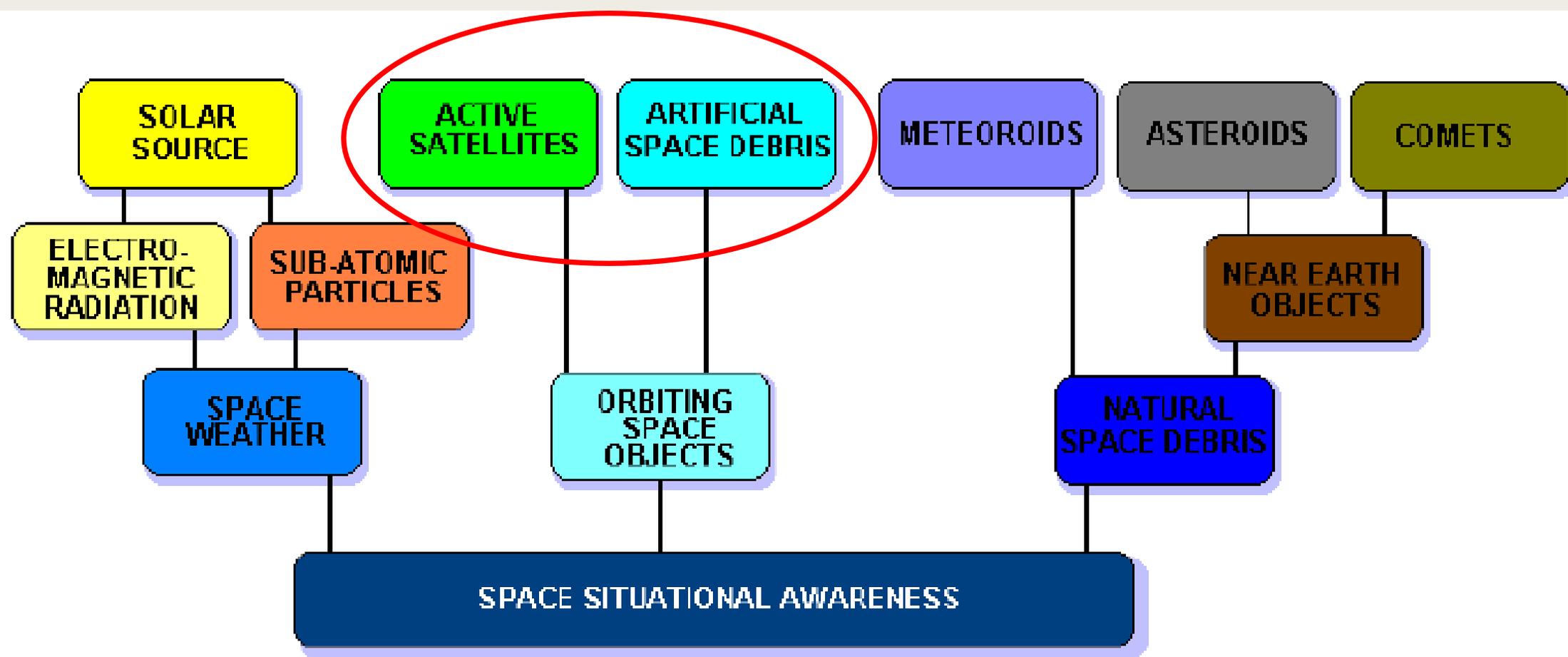
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<ul style="list-style-type: none">• La protezione delle infrastrutture spaziali da minacce o rischi naturali o man-made, assicurando la sostenibilità delle attività spaziali	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Uso dei sistemi spaziali per la sicurezza e la difesa	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• La protezione della vita umana e dell'ambiente terrestre da minacce naturali e rischi provenienti dallo spazio

SICUREZZA DEGLI ASSETTI SPAZIALI

APPROCCIO LOGICO PER ARRIVARE ALLA ESIGENZA SSA/SST

- GLI ASSETTI SPAZIALI SONO *ELEMENTI CHIAVE* DELLA SOCIETA MODERNA E SONO *ENABLERS FONDAMENTALI* PER LE CAPACITA MILITARI
- GLI ASSETTI SPAZIALI SONO *VULNERABILI* AD EVENTI NATURALI E ATTACCHI INTENZIONALI
- GLI ASSETTI SPAZIALI SONO CONSIDERATI ASSETTI CRITICI
- GLI ASSETTI CRITICI VANNO *MONITORATI E CONTROLLATI* (CON OBIETTIVO DI *DIFENDERLI SE NECESSARIO*)

CAPACITA SSA/SST HA QUESTO RUOLO



LA DIFESA CONCENTRATA AD ACQUISIRE
LA SPACE DOMAIN AWARENESS

PROSPETTIVA DELLA DIFESA

Space Domain Awareness (SDA)

SDA implica un cambio di approccio

- non basta solo osservare, controllare e gestire il traffico spaziale
- considerare ora lo spazio come settore di possibile conflitto quindi da monitorare, controllare, valutare nella sua possibile evoluzione (capacità di predire evoluzione) e quindi da difendere
- Il dominio spazio quindi non differente dagli altri domini terra, mare, aria e cyber

STRATEGIA NAZIONALE DI SICUREZZA PER LO SPAZIO (2019)

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Così come per le *infrastrutture critiche sulla terra* si valuta loro intrinseca affidabilità (**safety**) e resistenza a possibili azioni ostili (**security**) anche per le *infrastrutture critiche spaziali* - vanno adottate equivalenti precauzioni.

- Le misure di **safety** per garantire l'affidabilità (robustezza/resilienza) delle infrastrutture spaziali
- Le misure di **security** per contrastare le minacce intenzionali sono più difficili da definire in quanto non sempre prevedibili nella loro tipologia, nella loro evoluzione tecnologica e nella modalità di attuazione.

MINACCE AGLI ASSETTI SPAZIALI

■ MINACCE NON INTENZIONALI

- *SPACE WEATHER*
- *DETRITI SPAZIALI*
- *CONGESTIONE DELLE ORBITE*

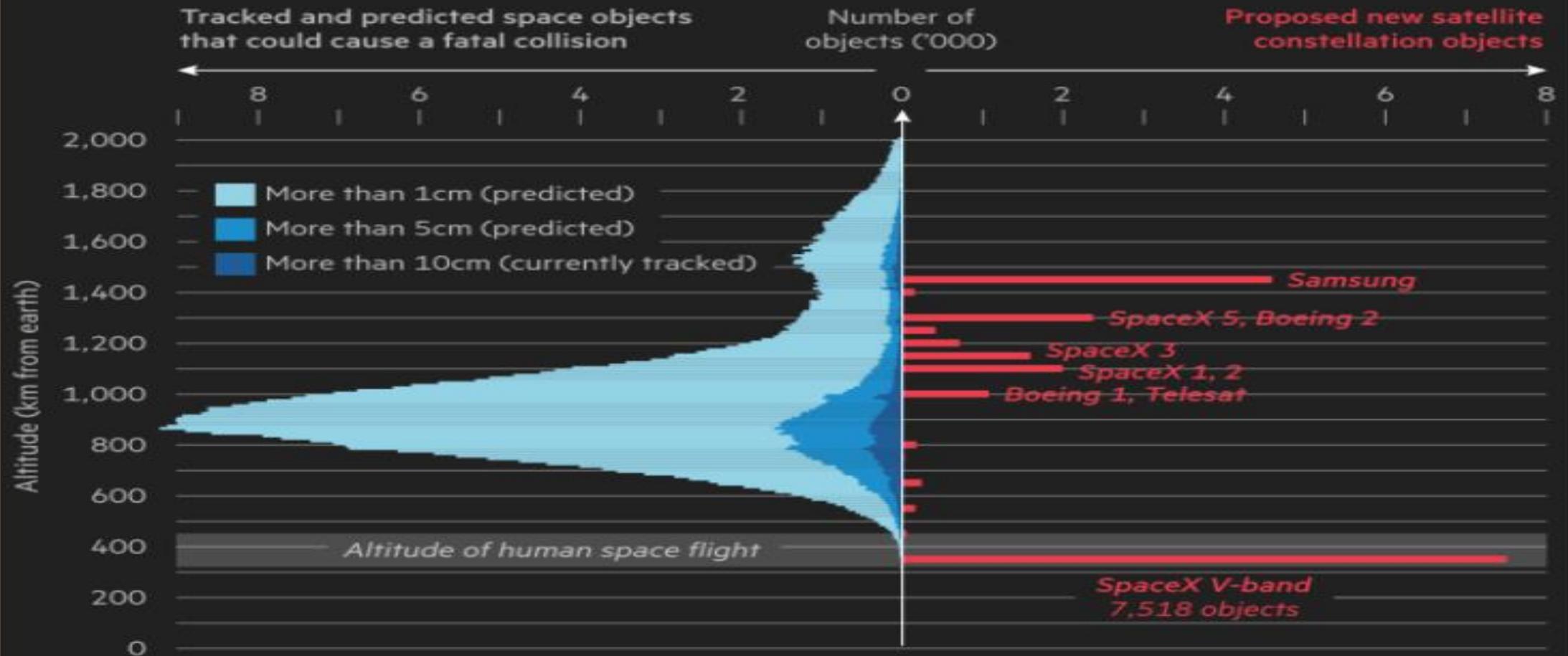
■ MINACCE INTENZIONALI

- HARD KILL
- SOFT KILL

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- **DETRITI SPAZIALI**
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Proposed satellite constellations will add thousands of new objects to low earth orbit



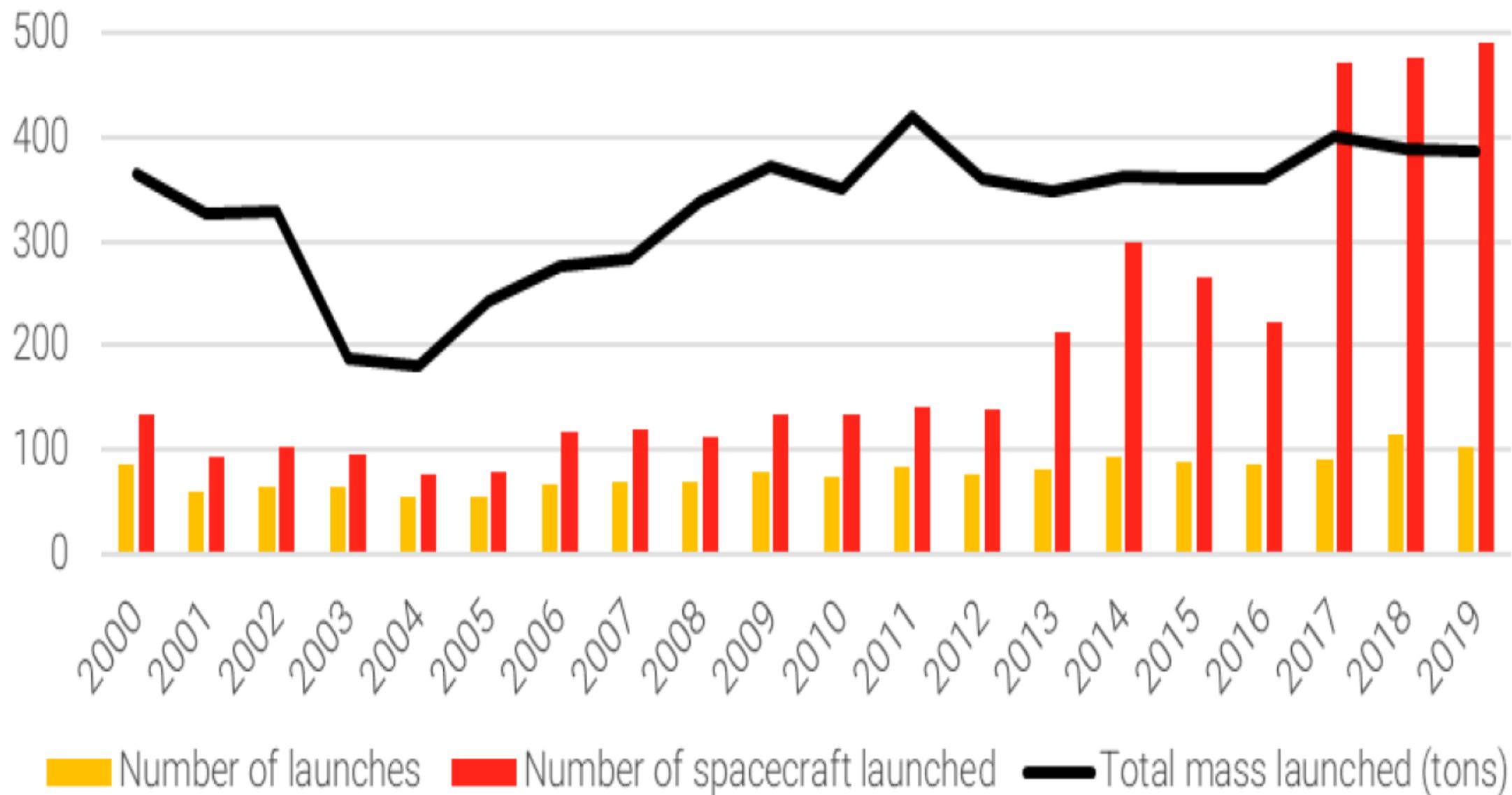


Figure 5: Evolution of the space activity since 2000 (source: ESPI database)

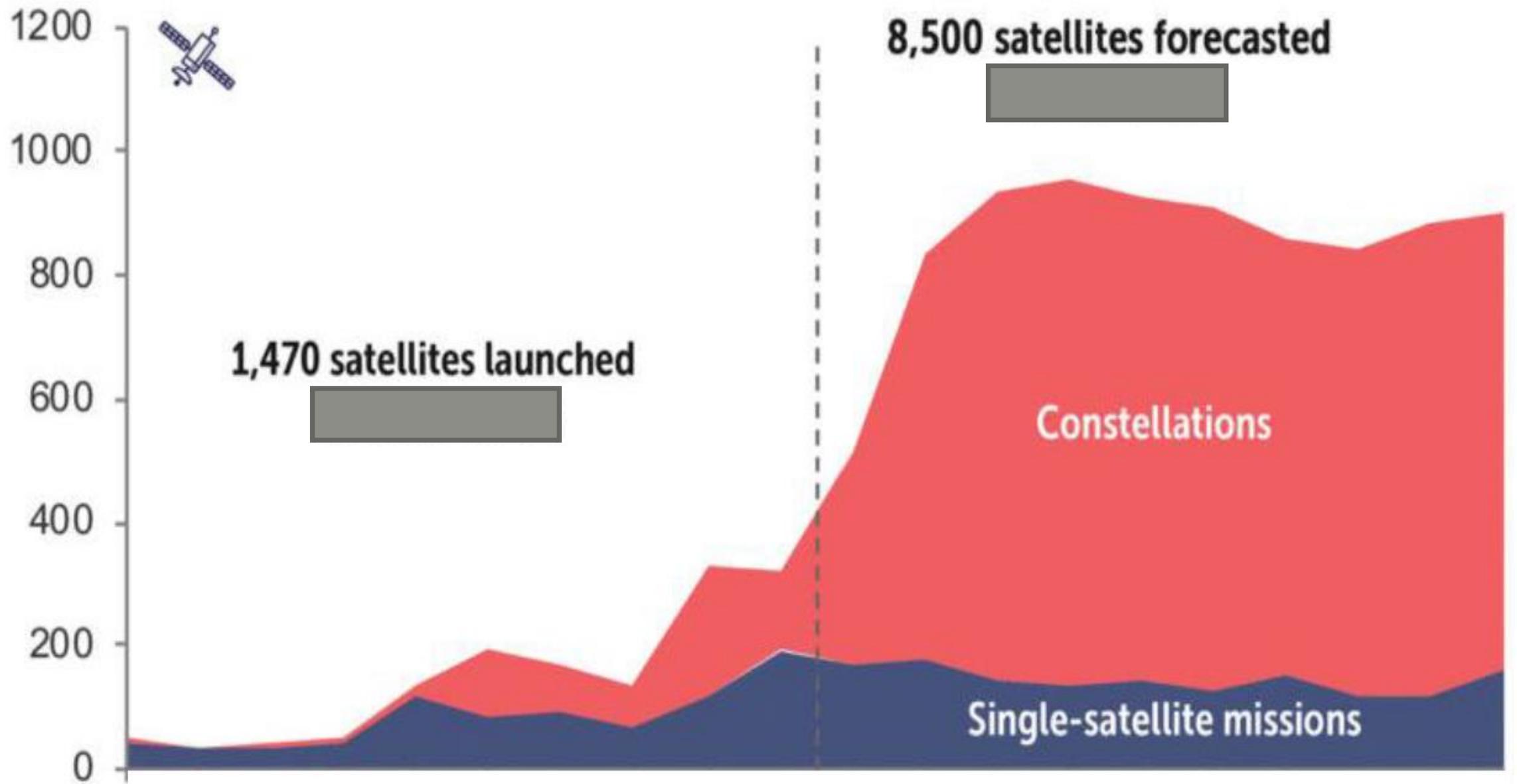
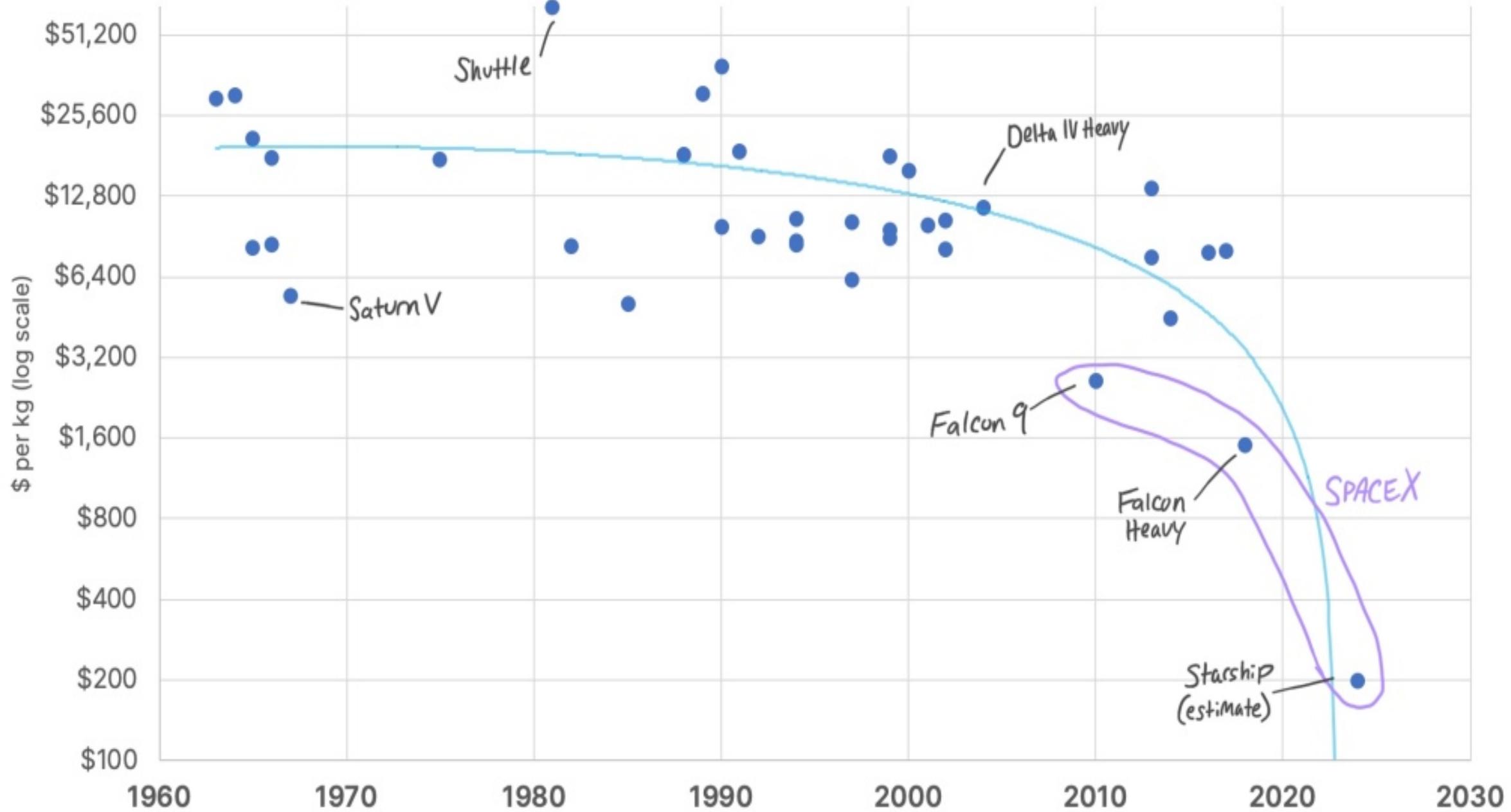


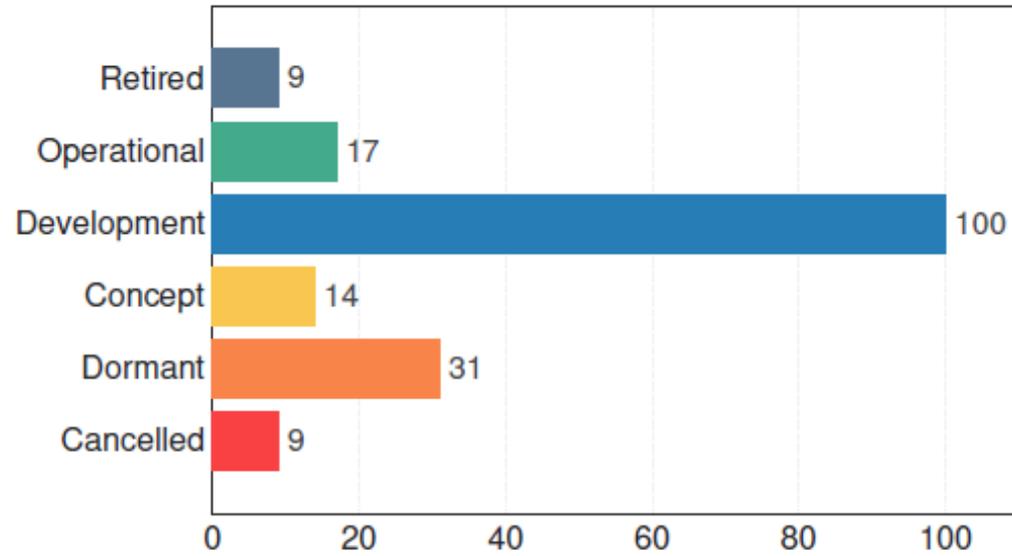
Figure 9: Forecast of small satellites (<500kg) to be launched in 2019-2028 (source: Euroconsult, via SpaceNews)²⁴

Launch Cost per Kilogram (medium and heavy)

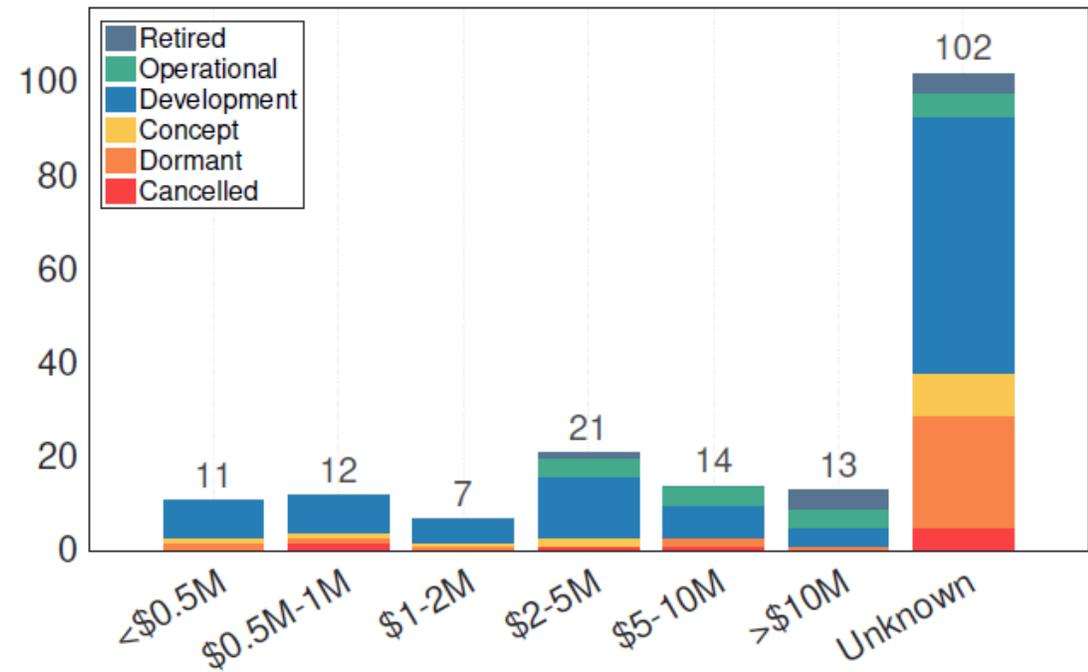


PICCOLI LANCIATORI (AL 2021)

Small Launcher Statuses



Small Launcher Dedicated Costs



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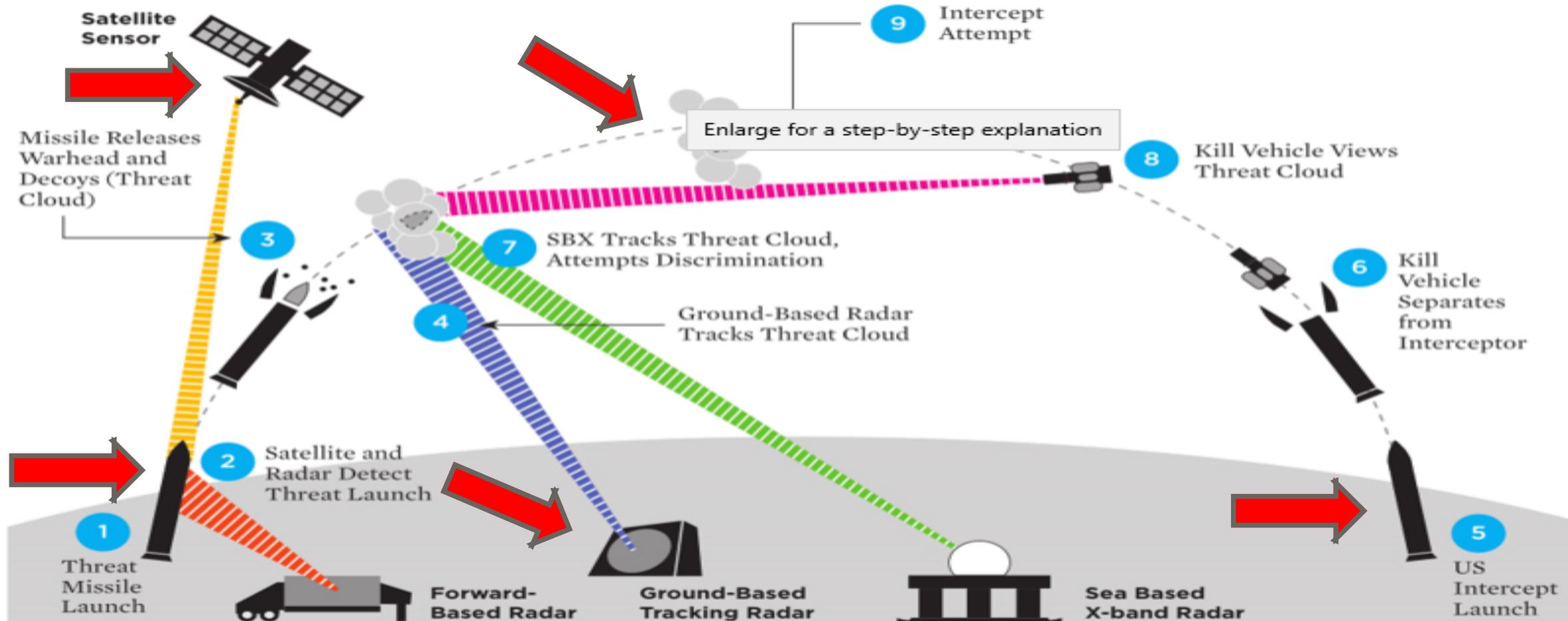
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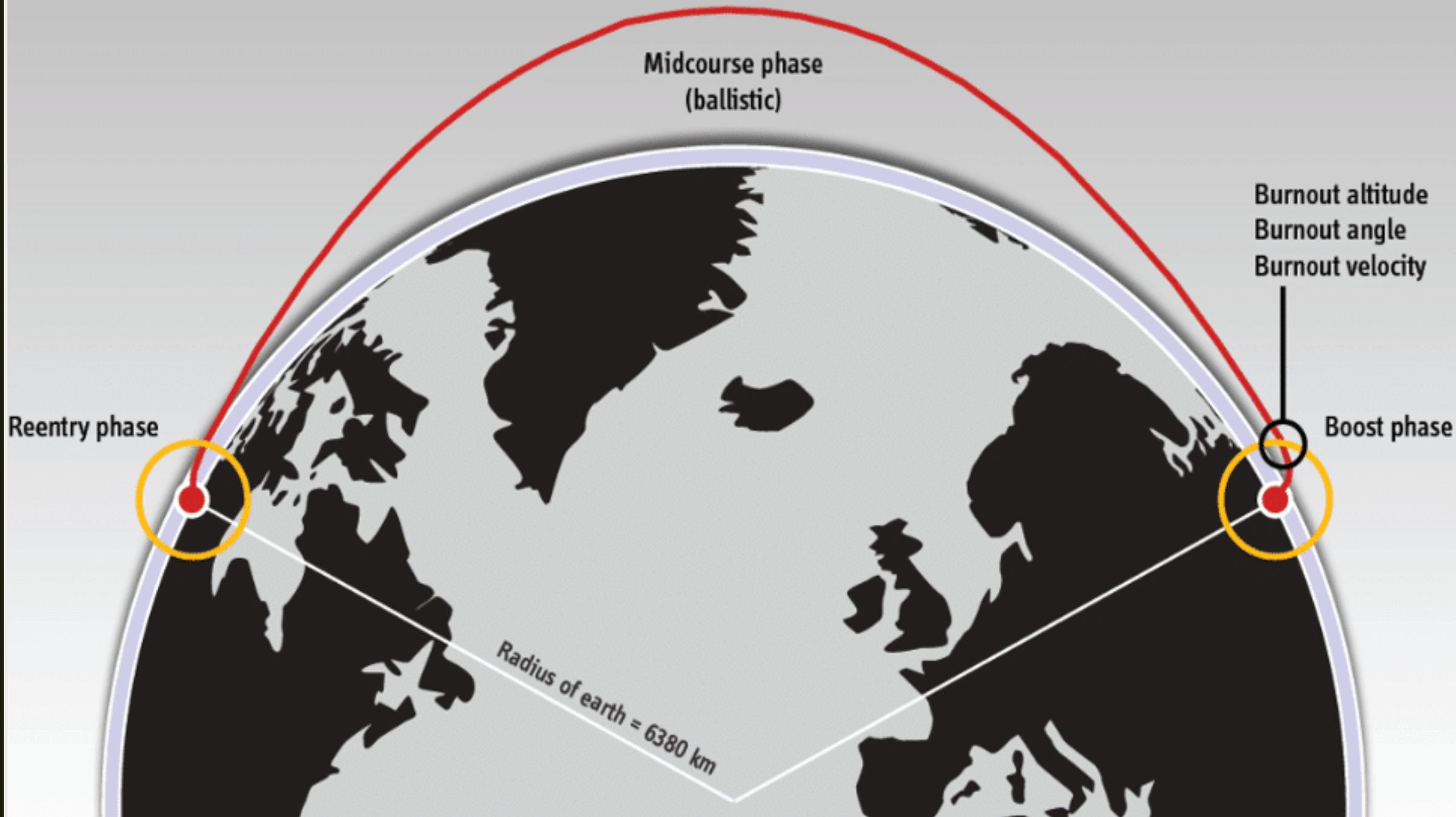
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MINACCE HARD KILL ORIGINATE DALLA CAPACITA DI MD

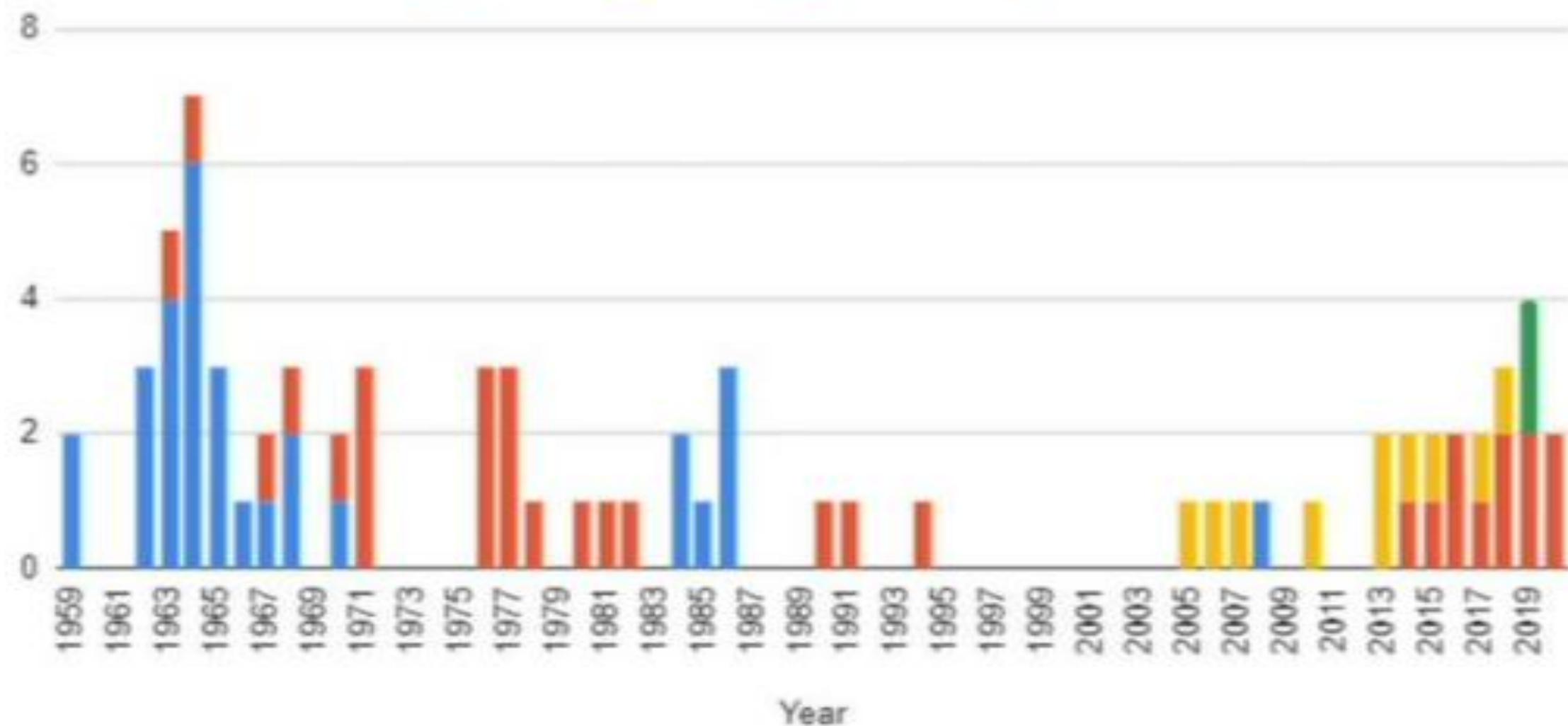
Anatomy of an Intercept



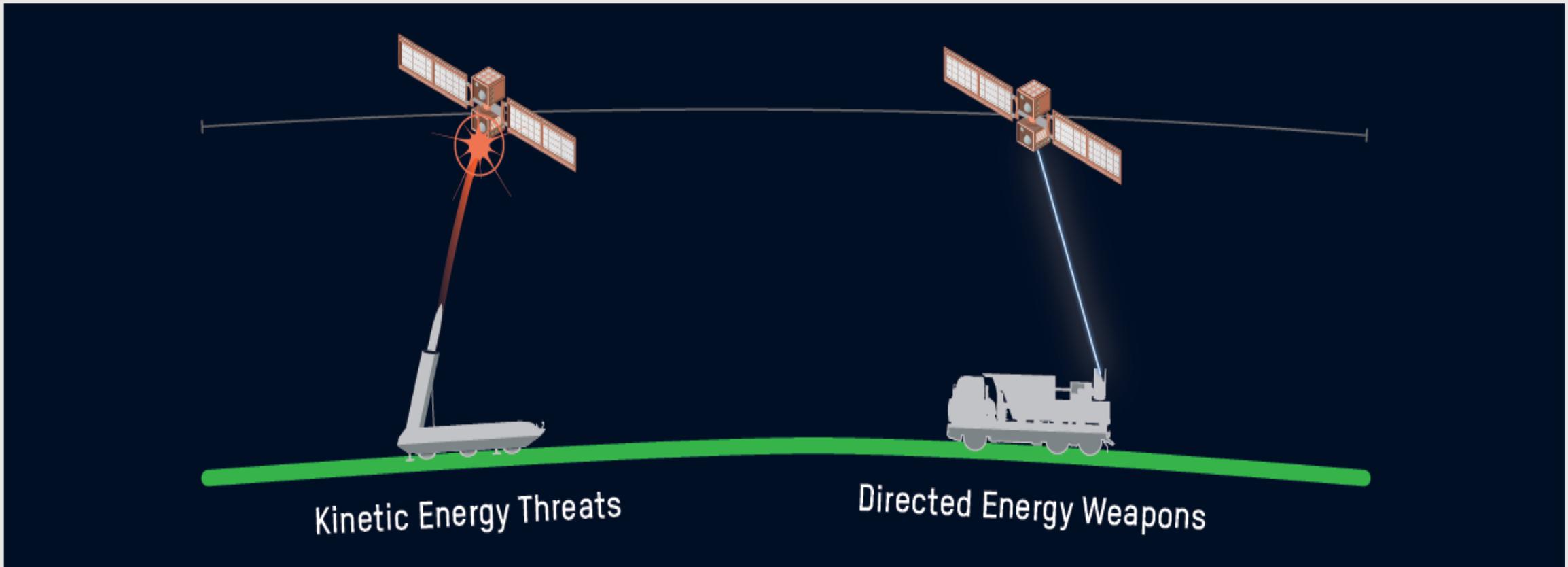


ASAT Tests By Country and Year

India China Russia USA

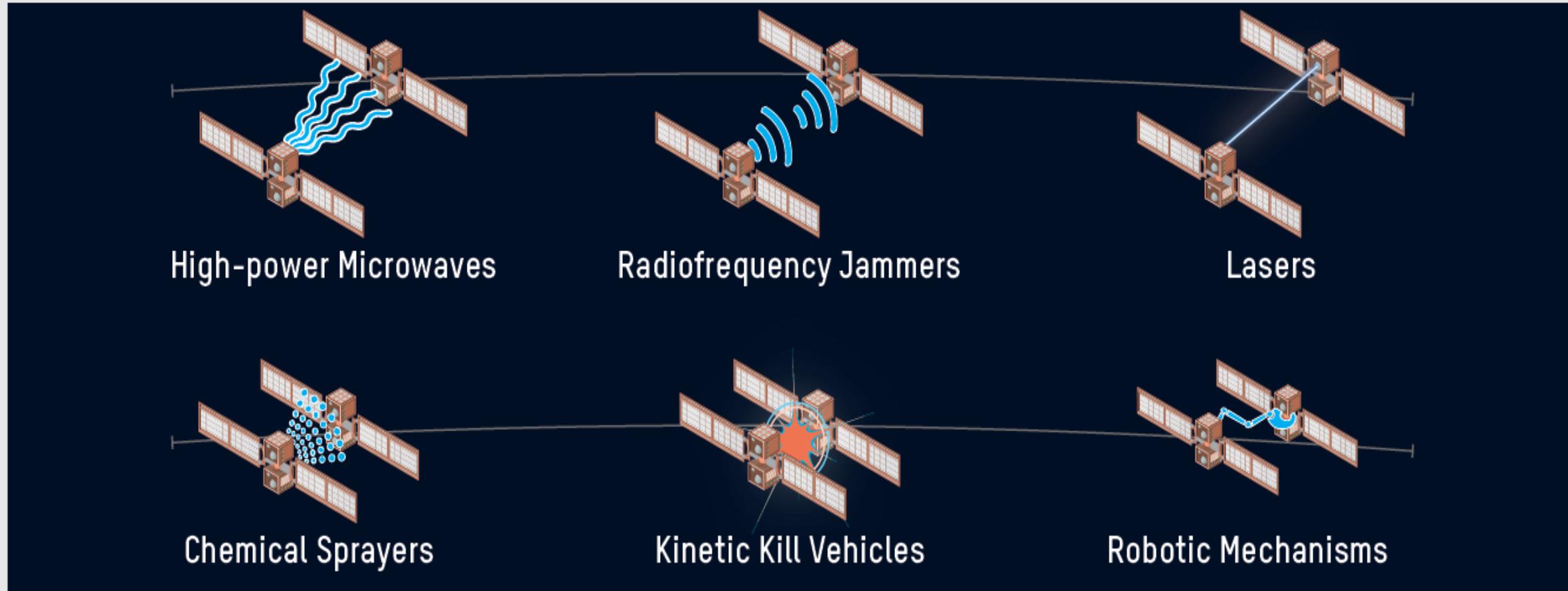


Minacce intenzionali ground based



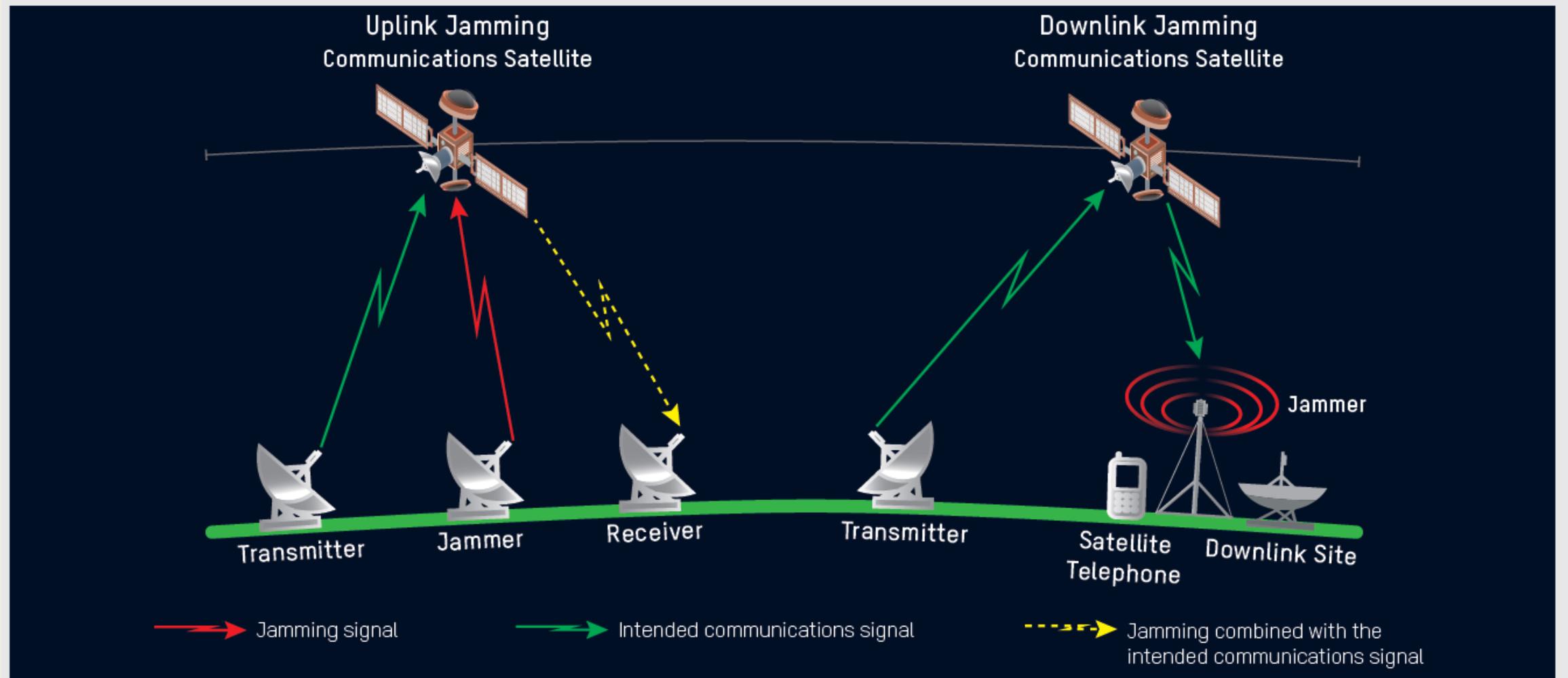
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Minacce intenzionali space based HARD & SOFT



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Minacce intenzionali SOFT KILL



THE UNITED STATES

LEGEND: NONE  SOME  SIGNIFICANT  UNCERTAIN "?" NO DATA "-"

	R&D	TESTING	OPERATIONAL	USE IN CONFLICT
LEO Direct Ascent			-	
MEO/GEO Direct Ascent	-	-	-	
LEO Co-Orbital		?	-	
MEO/GEO Co-Orbital		?	-	
Directed Energy			?	
Electronic Warfare				
Space Situational Awareness				

RUSSIA

LEGEND: NONE (R) SOME (Y) SIGNIFICANT (G) UNCERTAIN "?" NO DATA "-"

	R&D	TESTING	OPERATIONAL	USE IN CONFLICT
LEO Direct Ascent	(G)	(Y)	-	(R)
MEO/GEO Direct Ascent	(Y)	-	-	(R)
LEO Co-Orbital	(G)	(G)	-	(R)
MEO/GEO Co-Orbital	(Y)	-	-	(R)
Directed Energy	(G)	(Y)	?	(R)
Electronic Warfare	(G)	(G)	(G)	(G)
Space Situational Awareness	(G)	(G)	(G)	?

CHINA

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	R&D	TESTING	OPERATIONAL	USE IN CONFLICT
LEO Direct Ascent				
MEO/GEO Direct Ascent			-	
LEO Co-Orbital		?	-	
MEO/GEO Co-Orbital		-	-	
Directed Energy			-	
Electronic Warfare				?
Space Situational Awareness				?

LA SSA/SST VISTA DA ALTRE PROSPETTIVE

QUALCHE ULTERIORE SPUNTO

- LE PROSPETTIVE DEL MONDO DELLE ASSICURAZIONI
- NUOVE CAPACITA DI IN-SERVICE ORBITALE
- NUOVI SCENARI ECONOMICI
 - *DIFESA DEGLI INTERESSI ECONOMICI LEGATI AL SETTORE CISLUNAR E ALLE MISSIONI PLANETARIE*

IL PUNTO DI VISTA SETTORE ASSICURATIVO

- IL RISCHIO DI COLLISIONE IN LEO MINACCIA ASSETTI DI VALORE PARI A CIRCA **38 MILD \$** (SOTTOSTIMATO E NON CONSIDERA ISS E RITORNI LEO)
 - *SOLO 8% DI QUESTI ASSETTI SONO ASSICURATI*
 - *LE IMPRESE CONSIDERANO QUESTA PRINCIPALE MINACCIA AL BUSINESS*
 - *ALCUNE AZIENDE SI SONO RITIRATE DAL SETTORE ASSICURATIVO*
- UN EVENTO DI COLLISIONE DI UN ASSETTO ASSICURATO DI VALORE SIGNIFICATIVO POTREBBE AVERE **CONSEGUENZE GRAVI** SUL MERCATO ASSICURATIVO SPAZIALE
- PER LE SOCIETA ASSICURATIVE LE PROSPETTIVE NON SONO INCORAGGIANTI
 - *LANCIATORI PIU PICCOLI - SATELLITI PIU PICCOLI → PIU RISCHI*
 - *MAGGIORE PRESENZA COMMERCIALE → PIU RISCHI*

NECESSARIO SSA/SST EFFICACE E AFFIDABILE

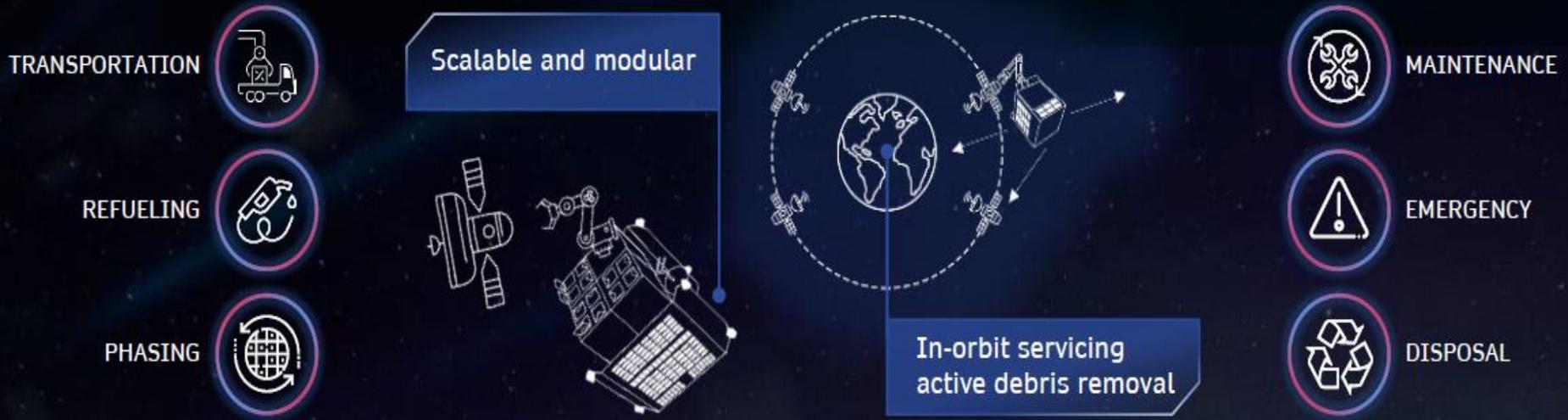
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IN-ORBIT SERVICING

THE NEXT MARKET

We believe the combination of **existing D-Orbit technology**, the scalability of the **ION platform** and **advanced robotics** will enable D-Orbit to provide in-orbit servicing to satellite operators



01

Move existing satellites from one orbit to another new orbit

02

Extend the life of satellites

03

Rescue satellites launched or drifting to the wrong orbit

04

Dispose of satellites properly at the end of their life (active debris removal)

D-Orbit has already won a **contract with a major satellite operator** for studying and delivering in-orbit servicing (active debris removal)

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Map of Cislunar Space

Cislunar space is the sphere created by the Earth-Moon radius, which offers opportunities to extend activities beyond geosynchronous Earth orbit (GEO).

The Lagrange points are regions in space where two celestial bodies, such as the Sun and Earth or the Moon and the Earth, produce regions of enhanced orbital stability. In this diagram, the Earth-Moon Lagrange points are numbered L1 through L5.

Today, satellite placement in GEO is tightly regulated by a United Nations agency to avoid collisions. Eventually, favorable locations in cislunar space may require similar regulation.

Because Earth is only about 1.35 light seconds – or 384,400 kilometers – from the Moon, cislunar space provides a zone where Earth-based communications can control missions in near-real-time.

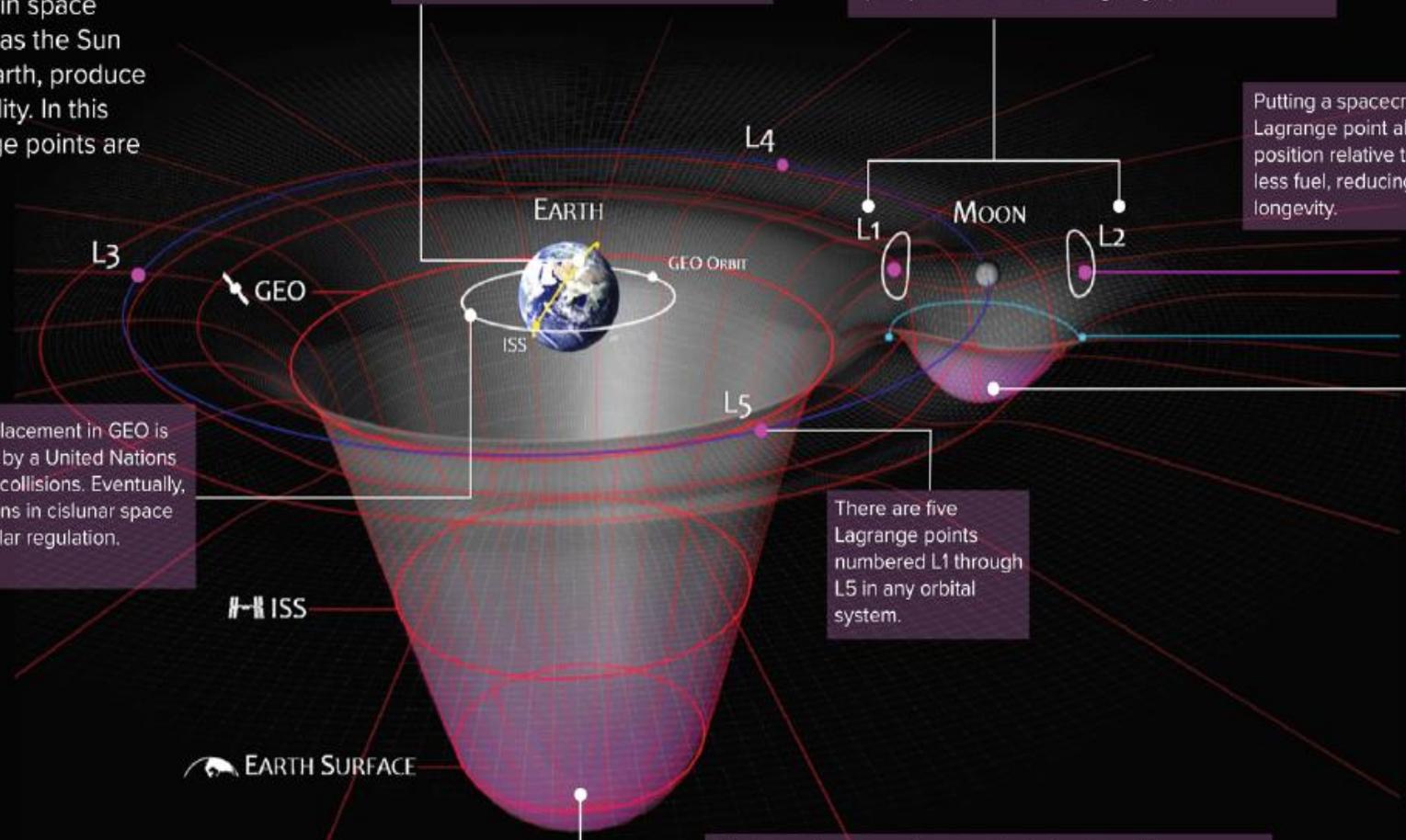
The L1 and L2 Lagrange points occur 1,500,000 kilometers from Earth toward and away from the Sun, and 61,500 kilometers from the Moon. The Chinese Lunar Exploration Program, NASA, and the European Space Agency have all successfully put spacecraft in the L2 Lagrange points.

Putting a spacecraft at or in orbit around a Lagrange point allows it to stay in a fixed position relative to a celestial body and exert far less fuel, reducing costs and enhancing longevity.

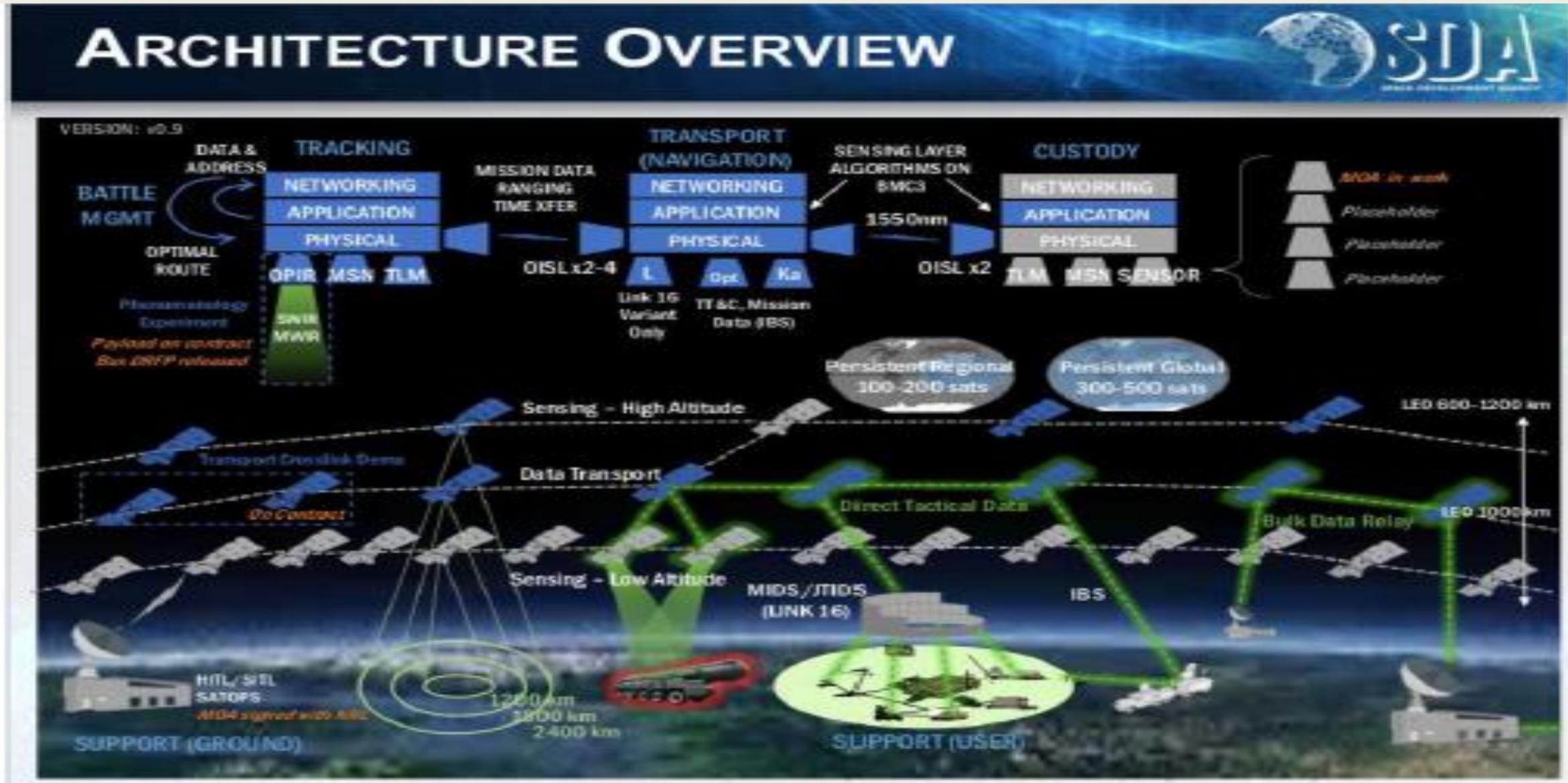
The Moon sits in a shallow gravity well compared to Earth. Therefore, space vehicles can more easily propel from points in cislunar space.

There are five Lagrange points numbered L1 through L5 in any orbital system.

The larger the mass of a space body, the larger its gravitational pull. In this graph, that force is conceptualized as a "gravity well." To launch a space mission from Earth, one must supply an object with enough energy to climb this steep gravity well. Generating this launch energy is one of the costliest parts of space missions. NASA

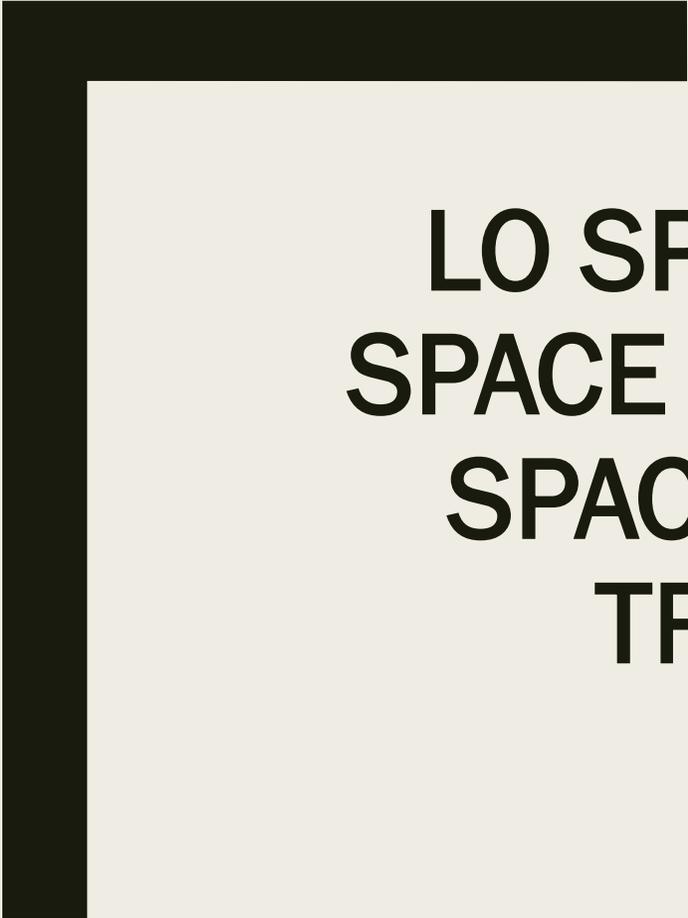


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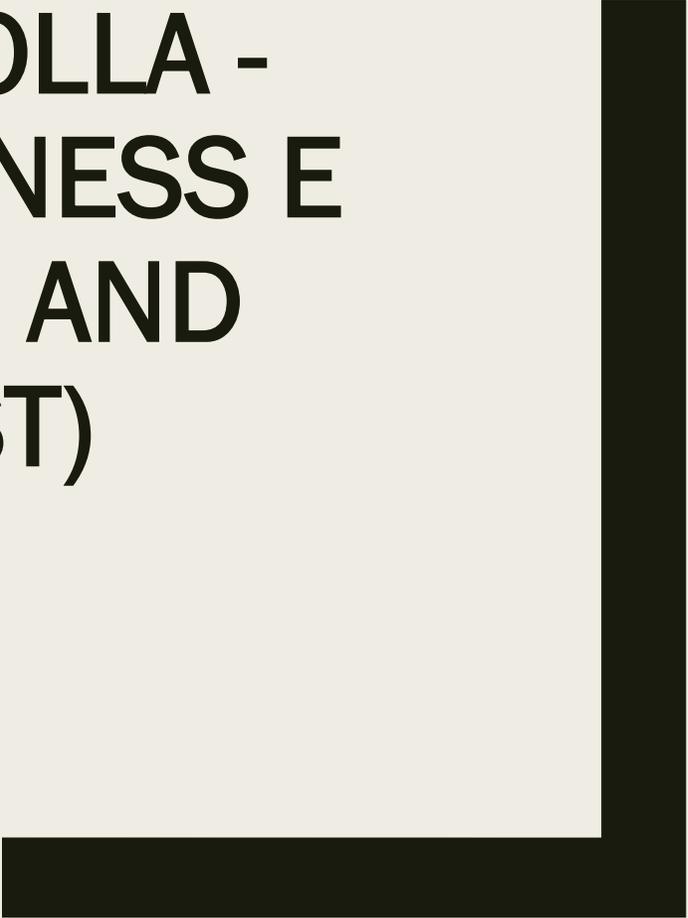


Architettura resiliente di piccoli Sat su (5+2) livelli

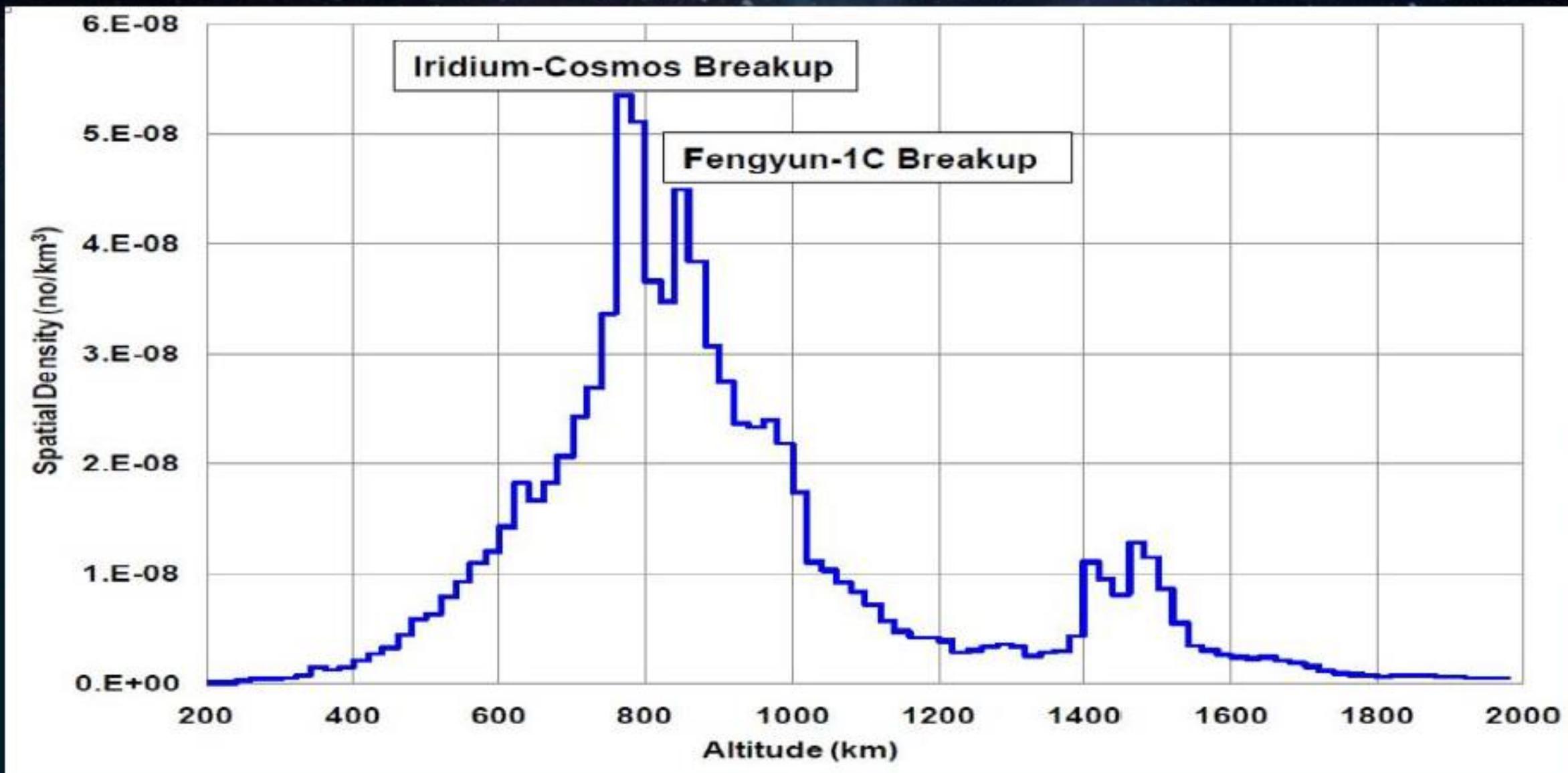
- **Space Transport Layer:** Global, persistent, low-latency data and communications proliferated “mesh” network to provide 24×7 global communications (200-300 sat)
- **Tracking Layer:** Indications, warning, targeting, and tracking of advanced missile threats (200 sat)
- **Custody Layer:** 24×7, all-weather custody of all identified time-critical targets (200-300 sat).
- **Deterrence Layer:** Space Situational Awareness (SSA) of, and rapid access to, the cislunar volume (X37) , LUNINT (intel on moon)
- **Navigation Layer:** Alternate Positioning, Navigation and Timing (PNT) for GPS-denied environments (100-150 sat)
- **Battle Management Layer:** Distributed, artificial intelligence-enabled Battle Management Command, Control and Communications (BMC3)
- **Support Layer:** Mass-producible ground command and control capabilities, user terminals, and rapid-response launch services (small- to medium-class).



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Where Is All This Junk?



Orbital Perturbations

- Planetary and satellite motion at a high level can be described by Keplerian motion
- Simplifications and assumptions in Kepler's theory do not account for most real-world effects
- These effects, called perturbations, alter the trajectory of a satellite from its nominal path.

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- Conservative Perturbations
 - Non-Spherical Earth
 - Third-body Effects
 - Solar Radiation Pressure*
 - Non-conservative Perturbations
 - Drag

* In theory SRP is a conservative force, but friction between photons and

- **Non-Spherical Earth**

- Earth is not perfectly spherical, but rather an approximate oblate spheroid
- The centrifugal effect, caused by Earth's rotation, produces a bulge near the equator
- Affects RAAN and arg. of perigee



Credit: NASA/JPL Caltech [8]

- **Third-Body Effects**

- Kepler's equation assumes only one massive body in the system, but the gravitational effect of the Sun and other planets perturb a satellite's orbit from the path predicted by Kepler.



Credits: NASA/JPL Caltech [9]

- **Drag**

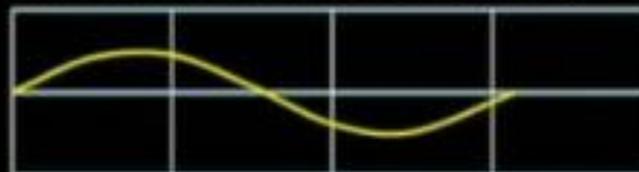
- A result of Earth's atmosphere
- Varies with solar activity/cycle
- Additionally, interactions between solar wind and Earth's magnetic field during geomagnetic storms can increase short term drag effects
- Significant for LEO satellites below 700-1000 km
- Affects SMA and eccentricity



Credit: NASA [10]

- **Solar Radiation Pressure**

- Force of solar photons impacting satellite
- The typical SRP effect on a satellite's orbit is a long-term sinusoidal variation in eccentricity



Credit: NASA [11]

Current and planned constellation projects	# of satellites	Satellite mass (kg)	Altitude	Project status
Amazon Kuiper	3,236	unspecified	590-630 km	Development
Astrocast	80	3/6U CubeSats	500-600 km	Demonstration
Boeing V-band	2,956	unspecified	1,200 km	Development
Globalstar 2	24	700 kg	1,410 km	In operation
Hongyan	320	unspecified	1,100 km	Demonstration
Hongyun	156	250 kg	1,000 km	Demonstration
Iceye	18	80 kg	587 km	Deployment
Iridium-NEXT	72	860 kg	780 km	In operation
Kepler	140	3U CubeSats	575 km	Development
LeoSat	108	1,000 kg	1,432 km	Suspended operations
OneWeb	648	147 kg	1,200 km	Deployment
Planet	150	3U CubeSats	370-430 km	In operation
SpaceX Starlink	4,425 (init.) (+7,518)	260 kg	1,100-1,325 km 340 km (add. sats)	Deployment
Spire	175	3U CubeSats	385-650 km	In operation
Swarm	150	0.25U CubeSats	300-550 km	Demonstration
Telesat LEO	117	unspecified	1,000 km	Development
Theia	120	unspecified	800 km	Development

Table 1: Selection of current and planned constellation projects in Low Earth Orbit (source: ESPI compilation)