



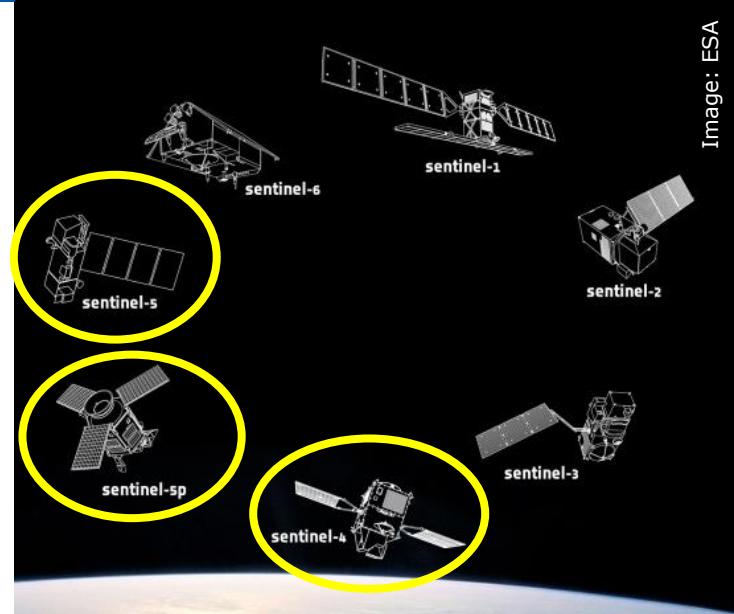
The Sentinel-4 Mission & Atmospheric Composition Products

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- European system for monitoring land, marine, atmosphere, climate change, emergency management, security
- Observations from satellites, ground-based, air-borne sensors
- Space Component:
Sentinel missions by European Space Agency
- For policymakers, public authorities, ..., citizens



Sentinel missions dedicated to atmospheric composition

Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Services



Air Quality and
Atmospheric
Composition

Climate Forcing

Ozone Layer & UV

Solar Radiation

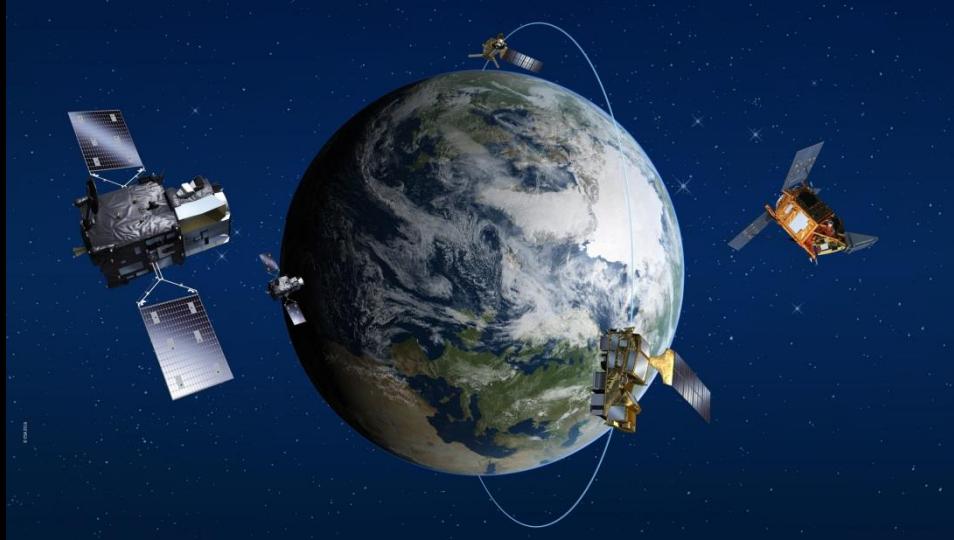
Emissions and
Surface Fluxes

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short lived species
in troposphere

Geostationary

Hourly over Europe

NO₂, O₃, aerosol, SO₂

aerosol, O₃

O₃, cloud, aerosol

NO₂, SO₂, aerosol, HCHO, CHOCHO

Sentinel-5 & 5 Precursor

Short and long lived species
in troposphere and stratosphere

Low Earth Orbit

Daily global

NO₂, O₃, aerosol, SO₂, CO

CH₄, CO, aerosol, O₃

O₃, cloud, aerosol

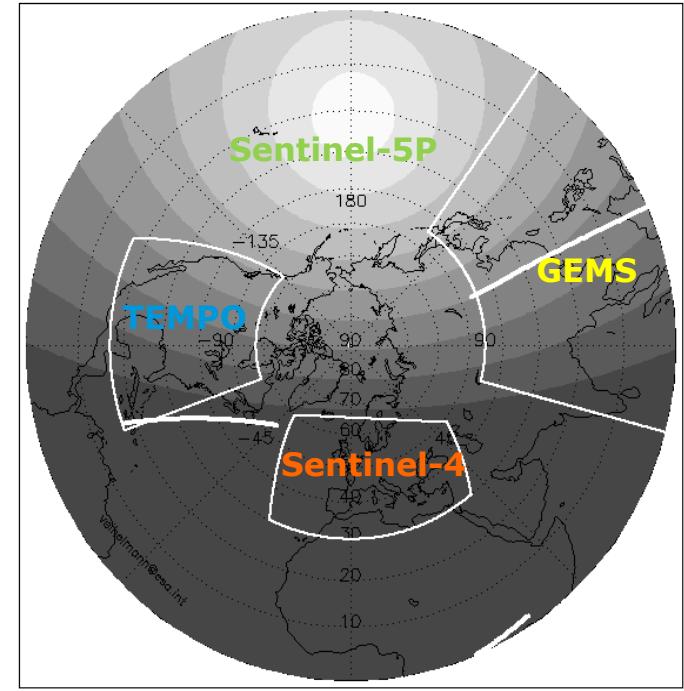
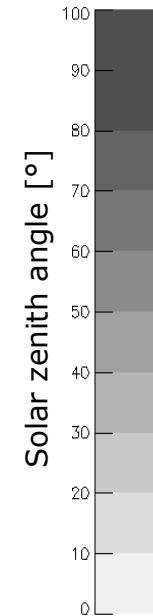
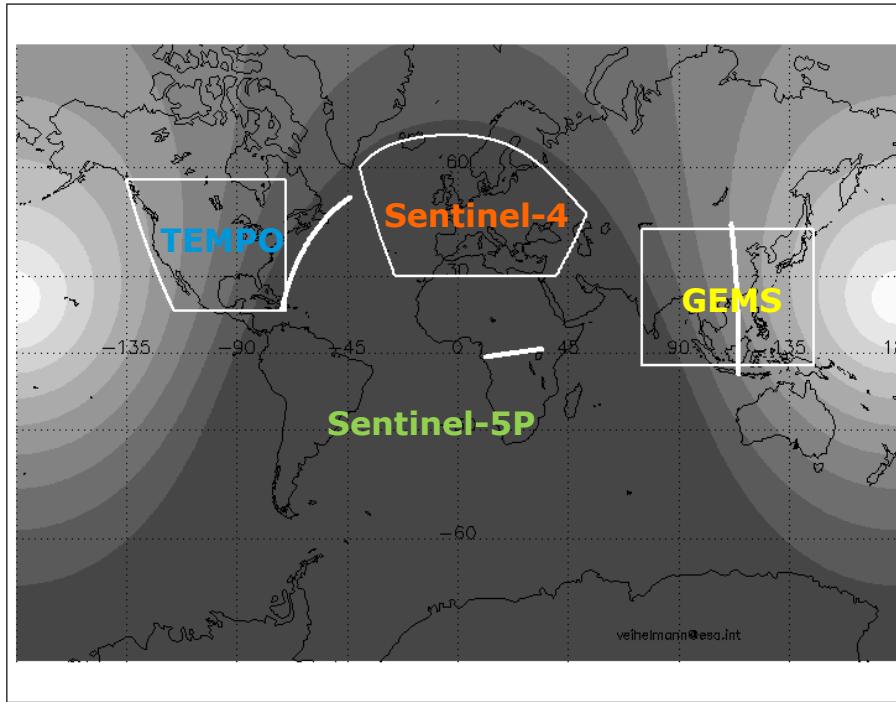
NO₂, SO₂, aerosol, HCHO, CO, CH₄

CEOS Atmospheric Composition Virtual Constellation (ACVC)

<http://ceos.org/ourwork/virtual-constellations/acc>



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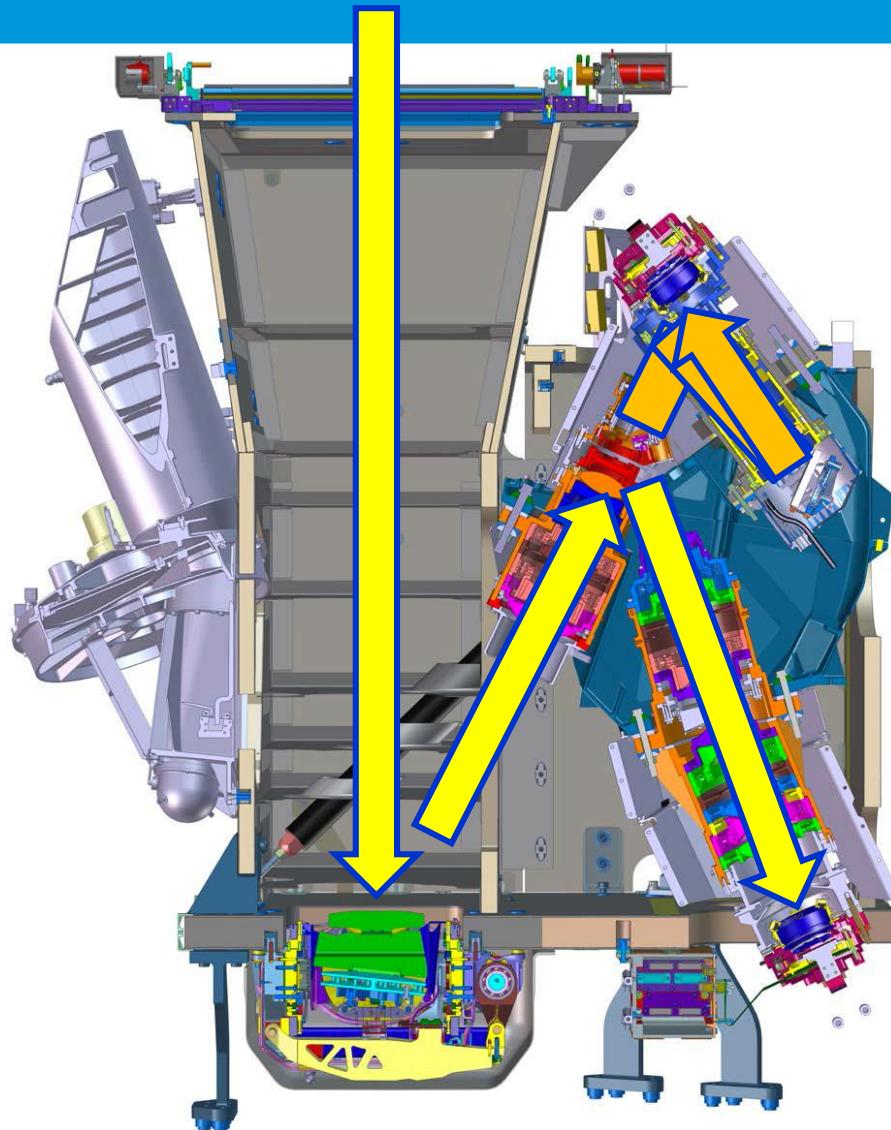


	USA TEMPO	Europe Sentinel-4	Korea GEMS	Sentinel-5/-5P
Orbit	Geostationary	Geostationary	Geostationary	LEO
Domain	North America	Europe and surrounding	Asia-Pacific	global
Revisit [h]	1 hour	1 hour	1 hour	Daily, more @ higher lat
Spectral ranges	UV-Vis	UV-Vis-NIR	UV-Vis	UV-Vis-NIR-SWIR
Key products	O ₃ , NO ₂ , SO ₂ , HCHO, CHOCHO, aerosol	O ₃ , NO ₂ , SO ₂ , HCHO, CHOCHO (TBC), aerosol	O ₃ , NO ₂ , SO ₂ , HCHO, aerosol	O ₃ , NO ₂ , SO ₂ , HCHO, CHOCHO, aerosol, CH ₄ , CO, ...
Spatial res. [km ²]	9 x 5 at 35°N	8 x 8 at 40°N	8 x 7, 8 x 3.5 at 38°N	7 x 7 at nadir

S4/UVN Instrument View



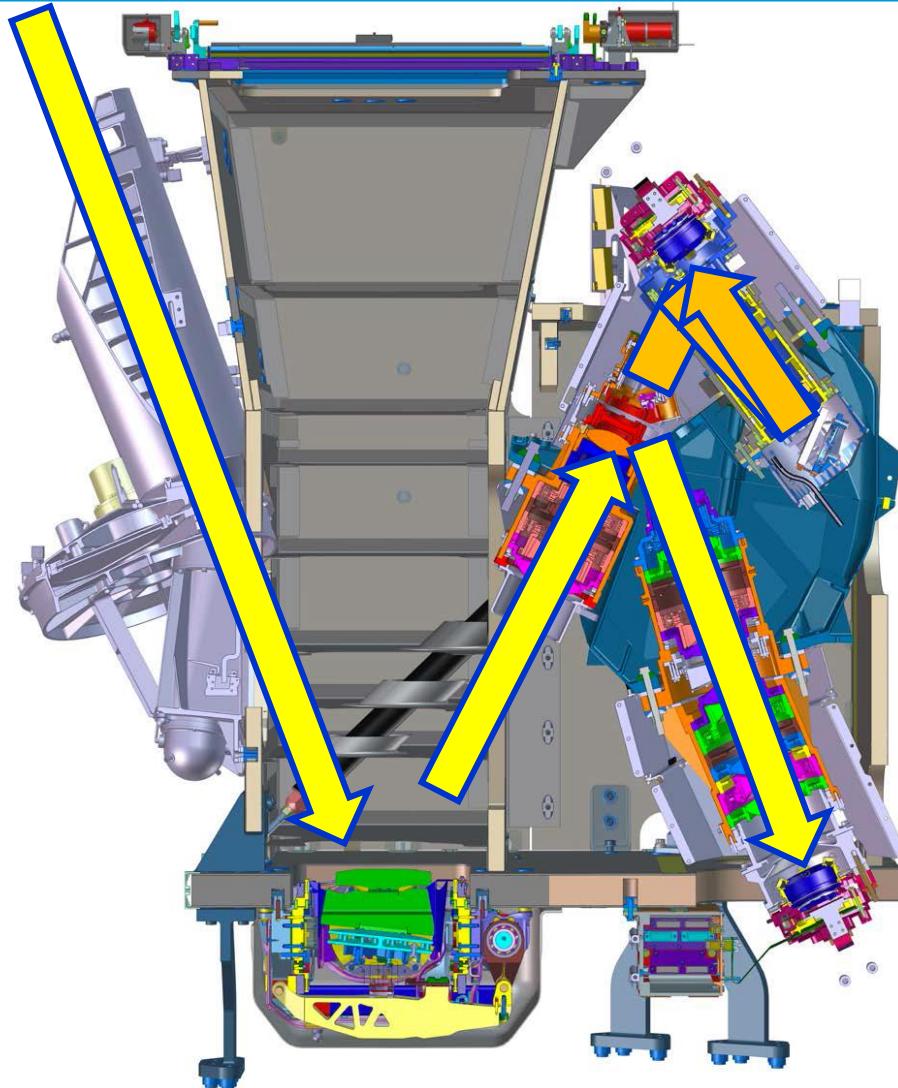
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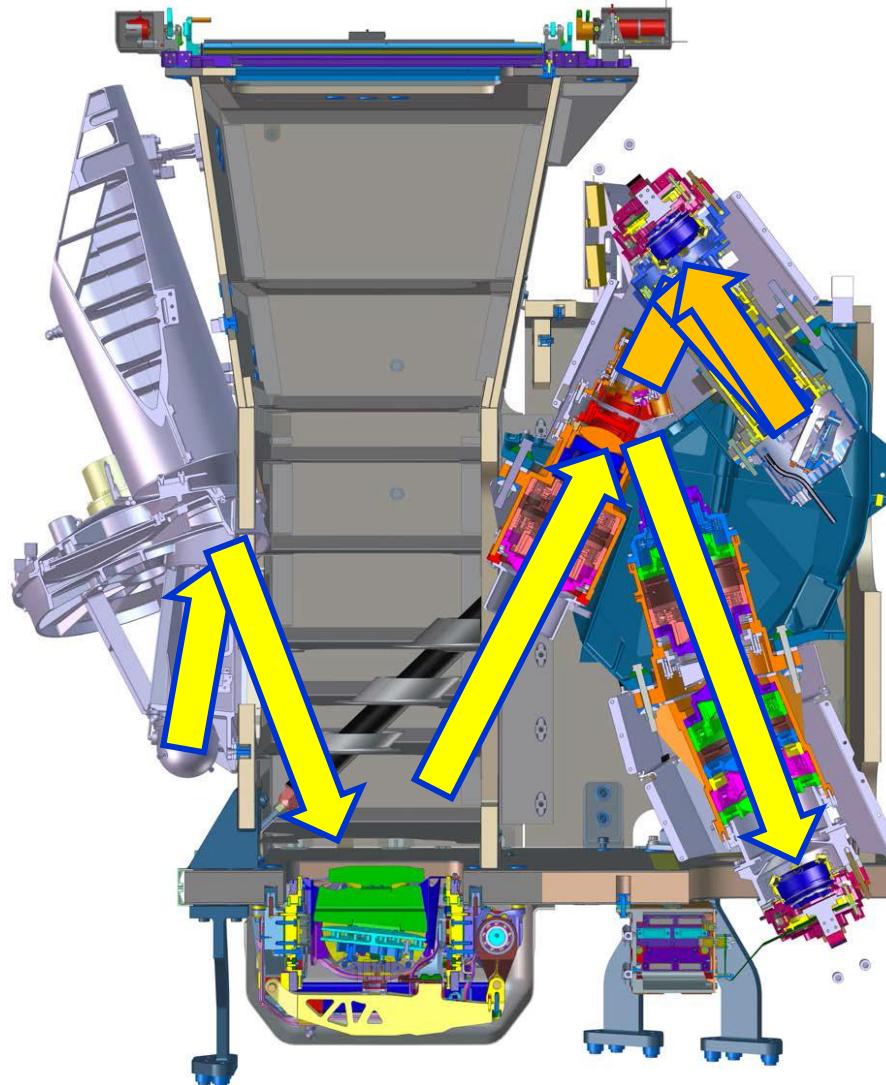
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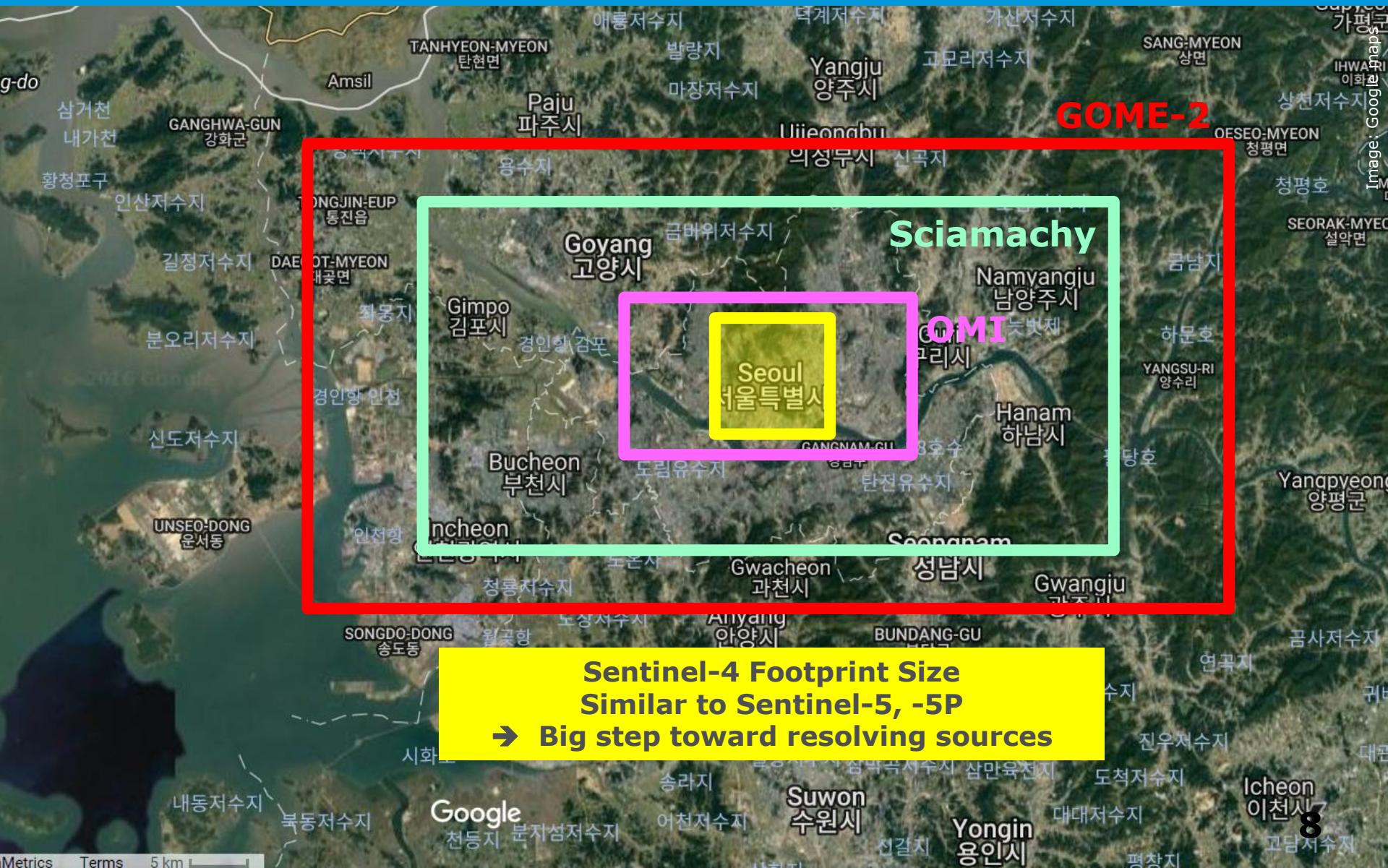
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Sentinel-4/UVN Footprint Size



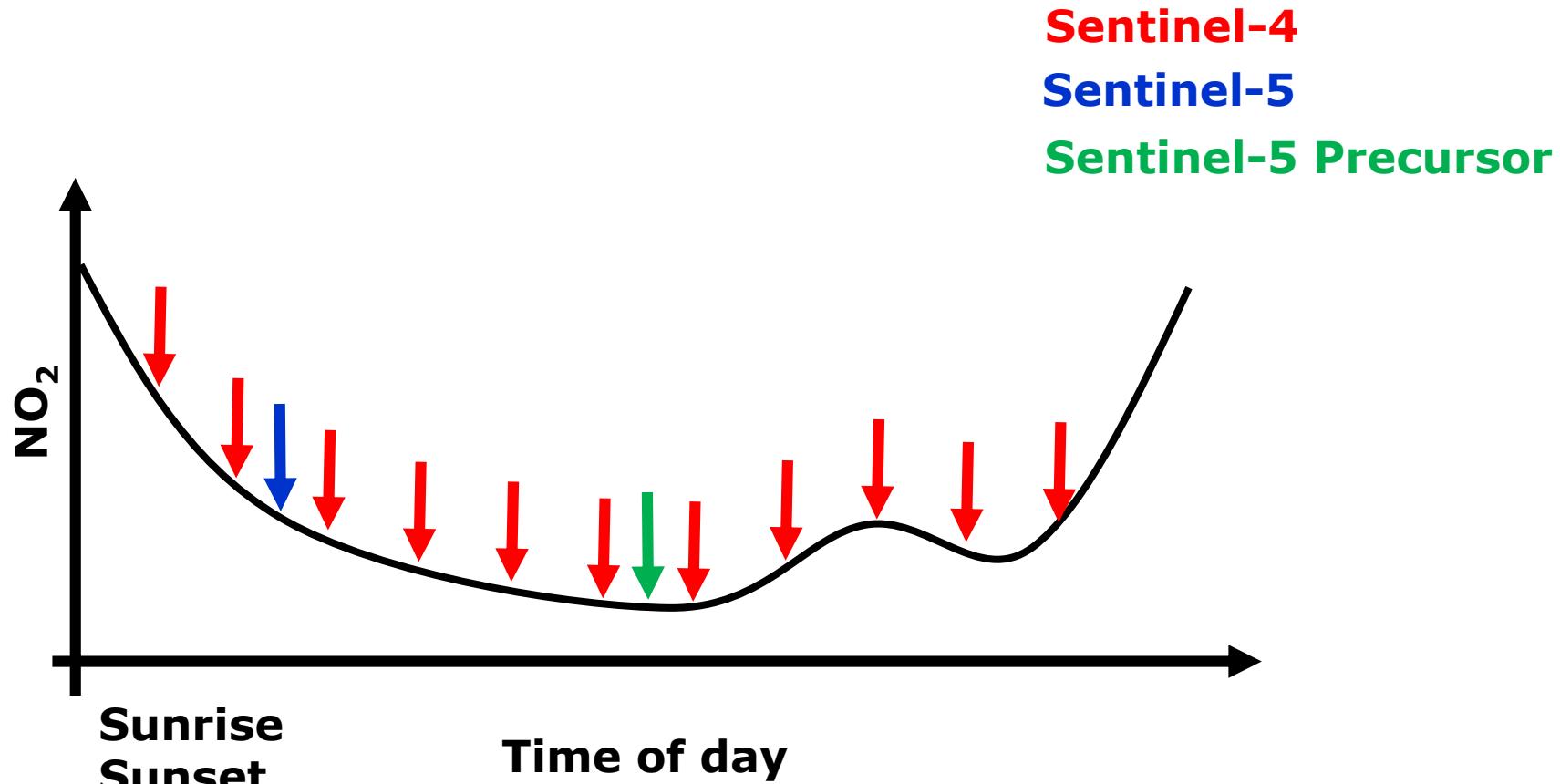
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Sentinel-4/UVN Temporal Sampling



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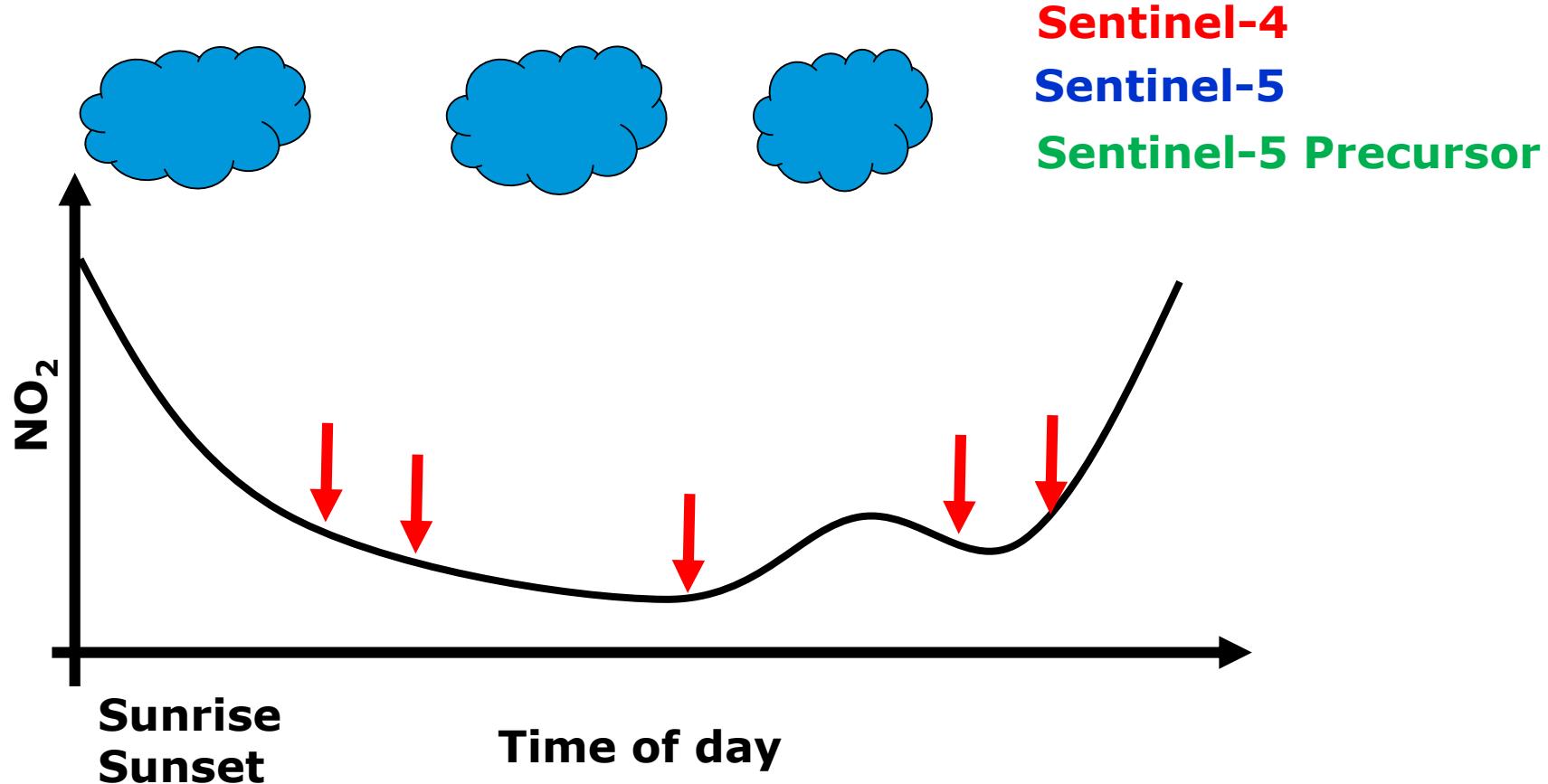


**Sentinel-4 will provide
diurnal cycle information**

Sentinel-4/UVN Temporal Sampling



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**Sentinel-4 will enhance the likelihood
for $N \geq 1$ cloud free observations per day**

Sentinel-4/UVN Spectral & Radiometric Performance



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Band ID	Wavelength range [nm]	Spectral resolution [nm]	Spectral sampling ratio
UV	305 - 400	0.5	3
VIS	400 - 500	0.5	3
NIR	750 - 775	0.12	3

Low sensitivity to polarisation (1%)

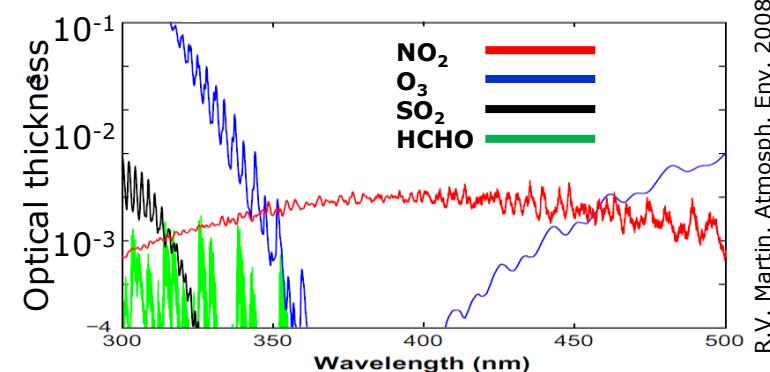
Low level of spectral features (0.05%)

High radiometric accuracy: 3% (thresh.), 2% (goal)

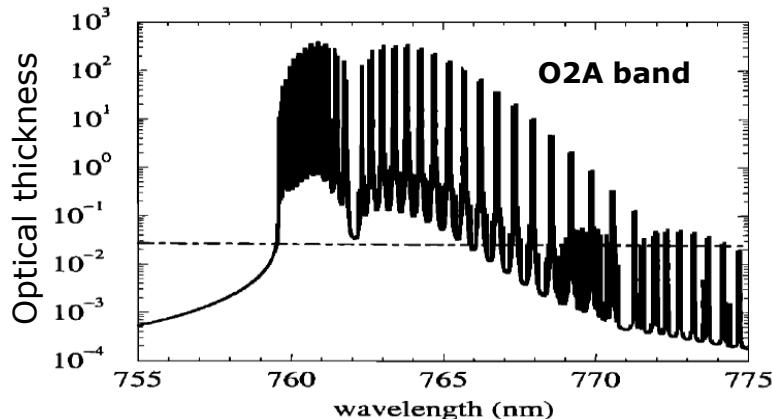
High Signal to Noise Ratio (goal 1800 in vis)

Level-2 processors extract information on

- **Trace gas amounts** from absorption signatures
- **Aerosol & clouds & surface** from continuum signal
- **Aerosol & cloud height** from O₂A band



R.V. Martin, Atmosph. Env. 2008



D. Stam, JGR, 1999

Sentinel-4 Products



Level	Product	Parameter
L1b	Earth radiance UV-vis	Earth radiance, spectr. & radiom. calibrated, geolocated, UV-vis
L1b	Earth radiance NIR	Earth radiance, spectr. & radiom. calibrated, geolocated, NIR
L1b	Solar irradiance	Spectrally and radiometrically calibrated Solar irradiance
L1b	DPPF	L1b data processing parameters
L1b	Star	Star calibration data
L1b	Calibration	Calibration data
L2	Total Ozone	Total O ₃ column
L2	Tropospheric Ozone	Tropospheric O ₃ sub-column
L2	Trop. Ozone Complement (TBC)	Tropospheric O ₃ sub-column retrieval diagnostic information
L2	Tropospheric Nitrogen Dioxide	NO ₂ total column, tropospheric sub-column
L2	Sulfur Dioxide	SO ₂ total column
L2	Formaldehyde	CH ₂ O total column
L2	Glyoxal (TBC)	CHOCHO total column
L2	Aerosol Index	Aerosol absorbing index
L2	Aerosol Layer Height	Aerosol layer height
L2	Cloud Properties	Cloud optical thickness, fraction, altitude
L2	Surface Reflectance	Surface reflectance (LER and BRF), aerosol optical thickness
L2	Gapless Surface Reflectance	Surface reflectance (LER and BRF), aerosol optical thickness
L2	Cloud Mask Support	FCI-L2 Cloud Mask data regridded to S4 L1b radiance
L2	Cloud Analysis Support	FCI-L2 Optimal Cloud Analysis data regridded to S4 L1b radiance
L2	Cloud Imager Support	FCI-L1c spectral subset regridded to S4 L1b radiance
eng	Forecast meteorological data	ECMWF forecast met data, extracted, regridded and converted
eng	Forecast composition data	CAMS forecast composition data, extracted, regridded and converted
eng	Stratospheric correction for NO ₂	Stratospheric NO ₂ sub-column data
eng	Background correction for NO ₂	Background NO ₂ data
eng	Background correction for SO ₂	Background SO ₂ data
eng	Background correction for HCHO	Background HCHO data
eng	Background corr. for CHOCHO	Background CHOCHO data
eng	Forecast snow and ice data	NISE forecast snow & ice data extracted, regridded and converted



Level-2 Target Performances

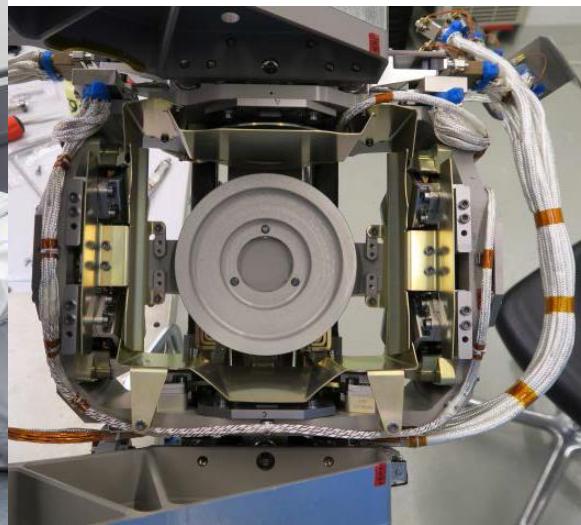
Species	Uncertainty	Conditions (#)
O ₃ total col	3% (goal) / 4% (threshold)	all cloud conditions
O ₃ tropospheric col	25% (goal) / 40% (threshold)	cloud fraction < 20%
NO ₂ tropospheric col	1.5*10 ¹⁵ molec/cm ² or 30% (goal) / 50% (threshold)	cloud fraction < 20%
HCHO total col	1.5*10 ¹⁶ molec/cm ² or 50% (goal) / 100% (threshold)	cloud fraction < 20%
SO ₂ total col	1.0*10 ¹⁶ molec/cm ² or 80% (goal) / 100% (threshold)	cloud fraction < 20%, pollution cases
CHOCHO total col	7.0*10 ¹⁴ molec/cm ² or 50%	total col > 5.0*10 ¹⁴ molec/cm ² , cloud fraction < 20%
Aerosol Optical Depth	0.05 (from surface product)	cloud-free
Aerosol Layer Height	1 km	AOD > 0.3 at 760 nm, layer height > 1.5 km
Aerosol Index	0.3 (goal) / 0.5 (threshold)	all cloud conditions
Surface	first BRF parameter 0.01	cloud-free
Clouds	TBD by L2 developers	

(#) For all species: solar zenith angle and viewing zenith angle < 60°

Implementation Status

Space Component Development lead by ESA

- UVN Instrument & Instrument Quality Tool, incl Instrument Data Simulator and Level-1b Prototype Processor
- Airbus Defence & Space prime contractor
- Unit level detailed design and implementation, H/W and S/W development, manufacturing, and testing
- Critical Design Review Q4 2016
- Proto Flight Model and Flight Model 2 delivery to MTG 2019



Implementation Status



- Level-2 Processor Development lead by ESA
 - Algo breadboarding, independent verification, operational processor
 - DLR prime contractor
 - System Requirements Review June 2016
 - Preliminary Design Review with external ATBD review end 2016
 - Acceptance Reviews: AR1 end 2018, AR2 end 2019, AR3 after launch





Implementation Status

- Ground Segment Development and Operations lead by EUMETSAT
 - Ground Stations and Mission Operations Facilities
 - Data Processing Facility (in which S4 processors will run)
 - Multi-Mission Elements for data archiving, distribution, and product quality monitoring
- EUMETSAT will
 - operate the Sentinel-4/UVN instrument and
 - process the mission data up to Level-2
- Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service (CAMS)
 - exploit S4 data and generate higher level products
 - implemented by ECMWF
 - operational → <http://atmosphere.copernicus.eu>
 - Workshop Atmospheric Composition OSSEs: 9-11 Nov 2016 @ECMWF

1. Best practices for calibration, characterization, and validation

- Share / cross review calibration/characterization plans
- Post-launch validation strategies (e.g. instrumentation round-robs, joint campaigns)

2. Radiometric consistency

- Post-launch approaches (eg LEO vicarious intercalibration or Earth scenes, GSICS UV-vis)

3. Sharing and consistency of data products (format, content, metadata)

- Share specification documents, sample data, instrument characterization
- Constellation data products (may differ from standard products)

4. Consistency in retrieval algorithms and spectroscopy

- Cross participation in ATBD reviews
- Jointly improve retrieval algorithms, inter-comparisons on common radiances

5. Support scientific collaboration

6. Open data policy



Sentinel-4 is designed to

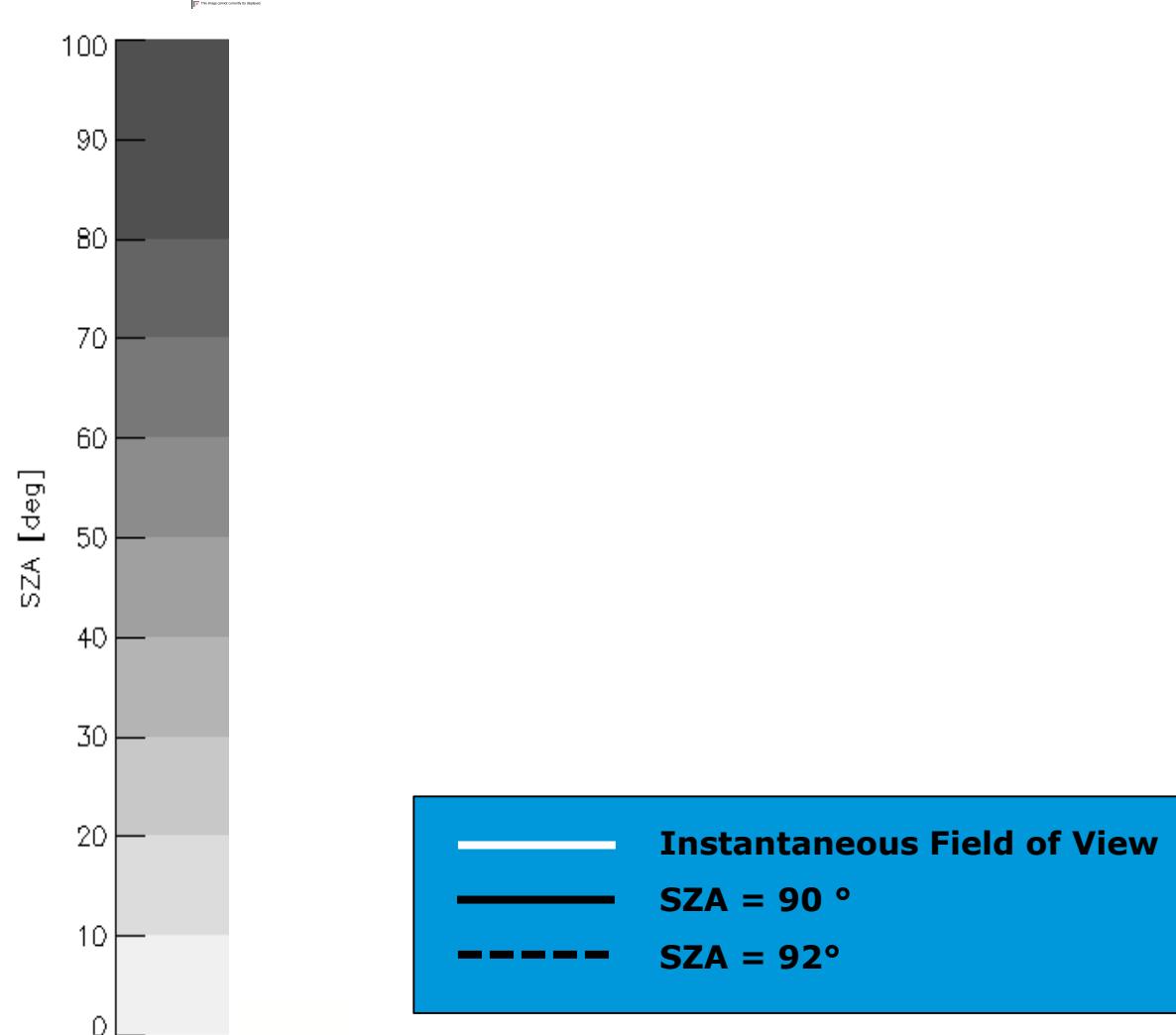
- **measure atmospheric composition**
- **with hourly revisit time**
- **over Europe**
- **operationally over 15 years**
- **focussing on air quality**
- **for the Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service**



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BACKUP SLIDES

Sentinel-4/UVN Scan Strategy



MTG-S

- IRS
- Sentinel-4



MTG-I

- FCI
- LI

Thank you!

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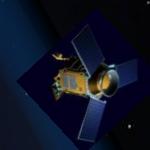
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- SCA
- MWI
- RO
- ICI
- Argos-4



Sentinel-5P

- TROPOMI



MetOp-SG A

- METimage
- IASI-NG
- MWS
- RO
- Sentinel-5
- 3MI

Sentinel-4 Level-2 Product Portfolio



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Species	Relevance	
	Air quality	Other
Ozone (O ₃)	Toxic, irritates lung and soft tissue, regulated ^(*)	Reduces plant growth, greenhouse gas, controls oxidising capacity of atmosphere, controls surface UV
Nitrogen Dioxide (NO ₂)	Toxic, production of O ₃ and nitrate aerosol, regulated ^(*)	Acid rain
Sulfur Dioxide (SO ₂)	Toxic, production of sulphate aerosol, regulated ^(*)	Acid rain, tracer for volcanic emissions
Formaldehyde (HCHO)	Influences production of O ₃ and CO	Volatile Organic Compounds emission estimates
Glyoxal (CHOCHO)	Influences production of O ₃ and CO	Volatile Organic Compounds emission estimates
Aerosol or Particulate Matter (PM)	Pulmonary and cardiovascular diseases, regulated ^(*)	Direct and indirect climate effect, controls cloud formation, aviation control (volcanic ash)
Cloud characteristics		Auxiliary for other products
Surface characteristics		Auxiliary for other products

^(*) by European Standards: <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/air/quality/standards.htm>

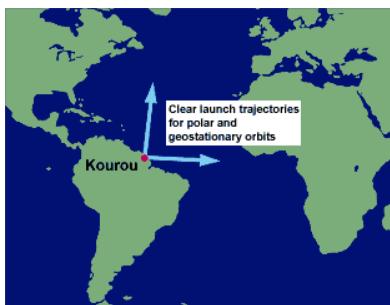
Sentinel-4 Mission Architecture



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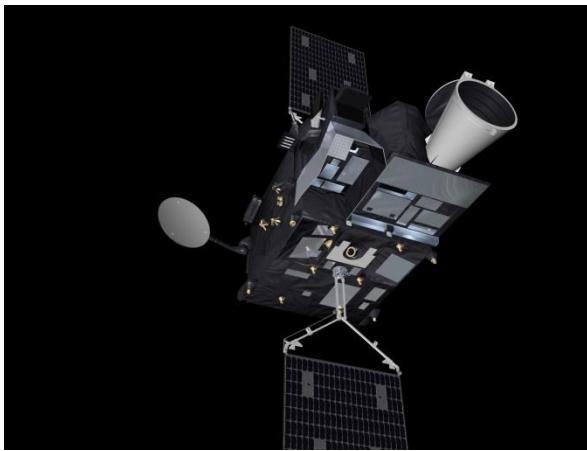


Launch Vehicle
Ariane 5



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Observatory Segment



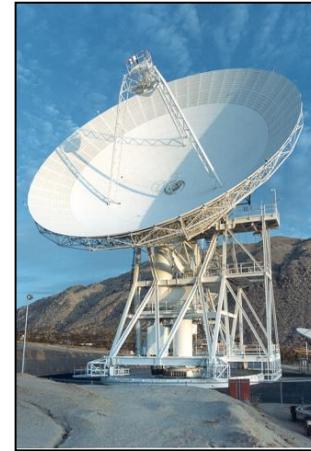
Two MTG-Sounder (MTG-S) S/Cs

Four MTG-Imager (MTG-I) S/Cs

Payload

- Flexible Combined Imager on MTG-I
- Lightning Imager on MTG-I
- Infra-Red Sounder on MTG-S
- **Sentinel-4/UVN** on MTG-S

Ground Segment



Flight Operations Segment

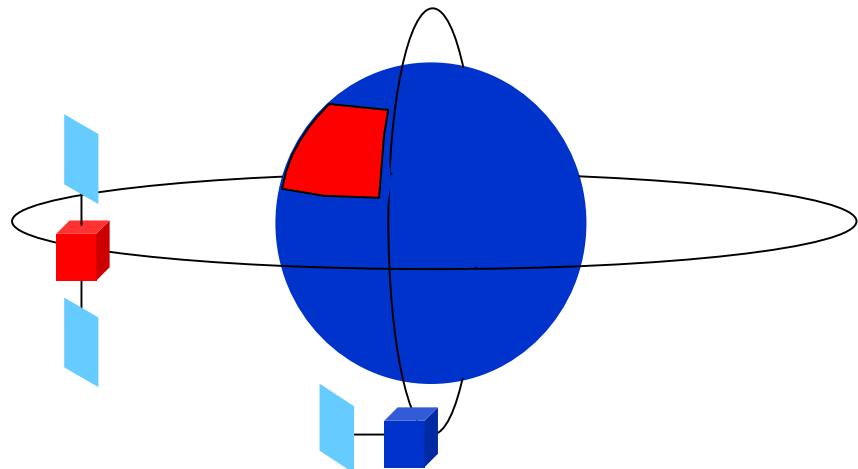
P/L Data Ground Segment

Ground Station(s)

The Atmospheric Sentinel Missions



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GEOstationary (GEO)

- Hourly revisit time over Europe
 - Mainly air quality
 - Diurnal cycle of tropospheric composition

→ **Sentinel-4**

Low Earth Orbit (LEO)

- Daily revisit time **global coverage**
 - Climate, air quality, ozone & UV
 - Tropospheric & stratospheric composition

→ **Sentinel-5**

→ **Sentinel-5 Precursor**

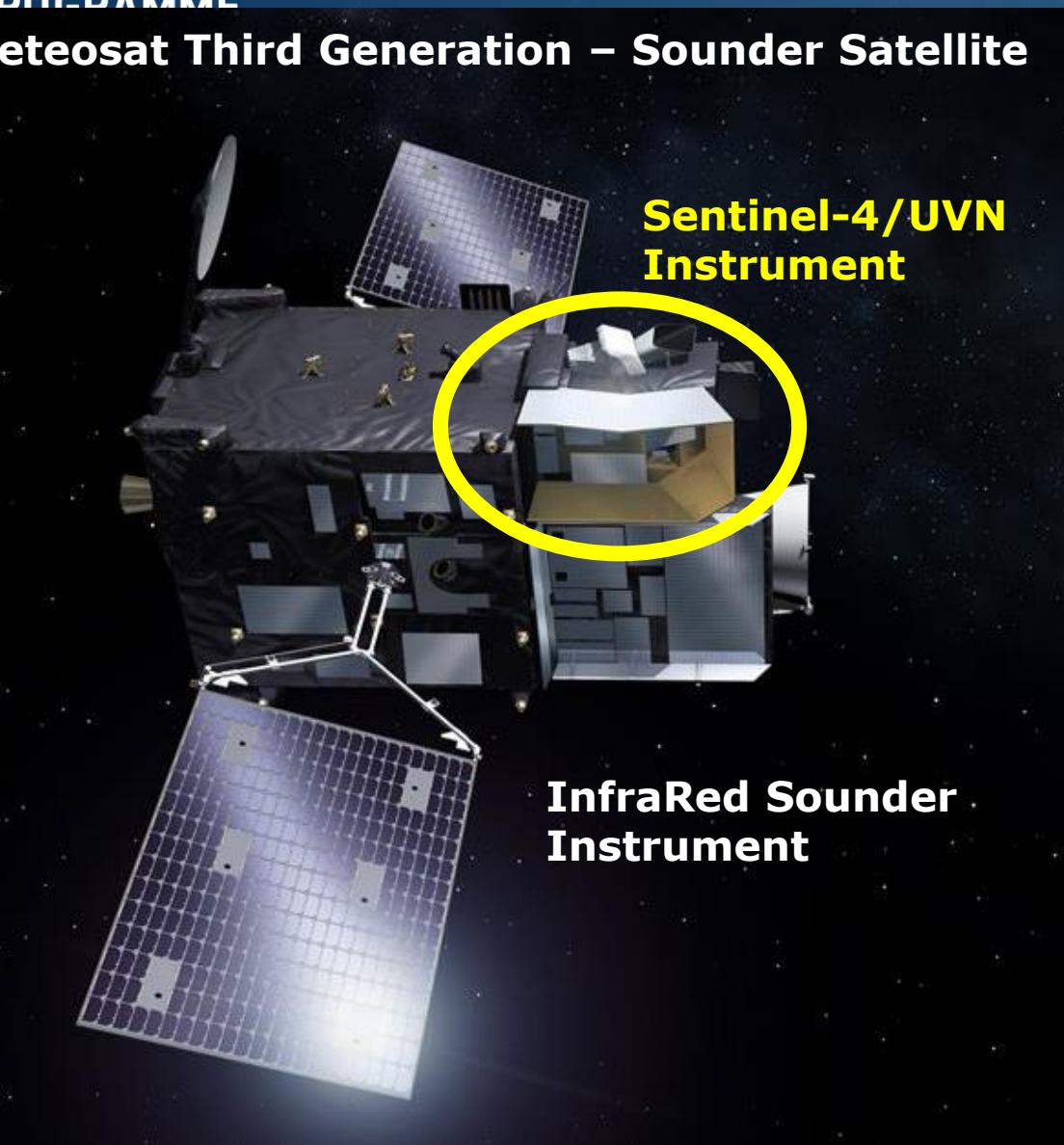
→ THE ESA EARTH OBSERVATION PROGRAMME

Meteosat Third Generation – Sounder Satellite



Meteorological Missions

driven mainly by Weather forecasting and Climate monitoring needs. These missions developed in partnership with EUMETSAT include the Meteorological Operational satellite programme [MetOp], forming the space segment of EUMETSAT's Polar System [EPS], and the new generation of Geostationary Meteosat satellites [MSG & MTG satellites].



Sentinel-4 Mission Objective



Sentinel-4 is designed to provide

- Tropospheric composition measurements
- With fast revisit time
- At high spatial resolution over Europe
- Operationally over 15 years
- For the Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Services

<http://atmosphere.copernicus.eu>



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