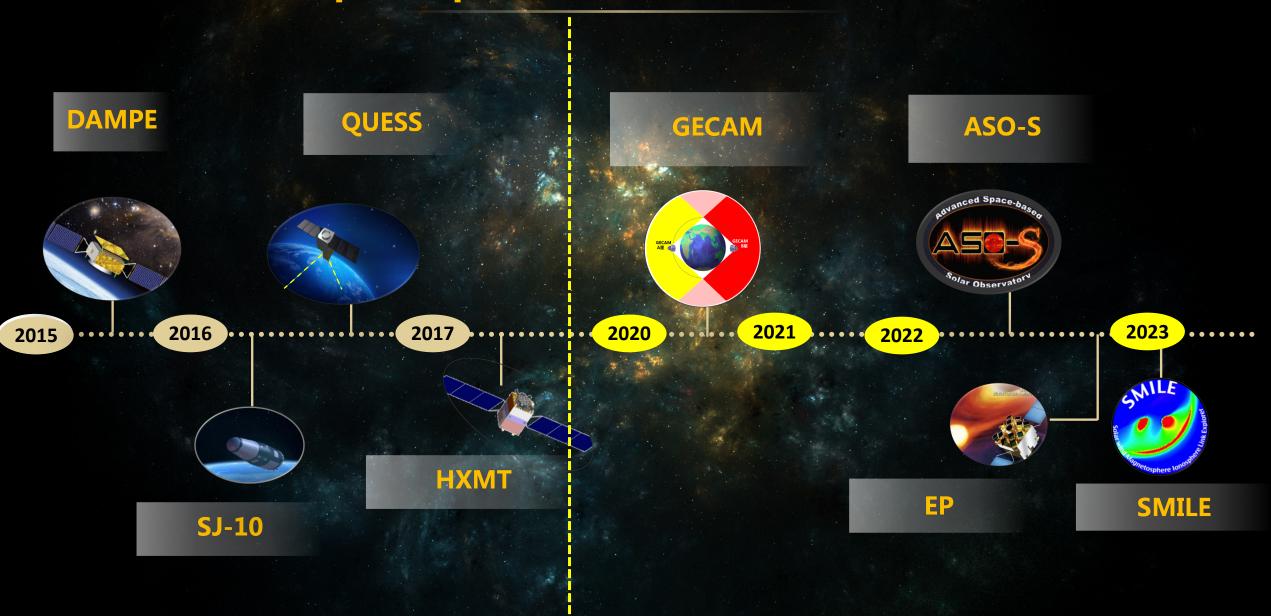
Future Directions of Space Science in China

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Roadmap of Space Science Missions in China



Ongoing Missions



1. Einstein Probe (EP)

Implementation



2. Advanced Space-borne Solar Observatory (ASO-S)



3. Solar wind Magnetosphere lonosphere Link Explorer (SMILE)



4. Gravitational wave high-energy Electromagnetic Counterpart All-sky Monitor (GECAM)

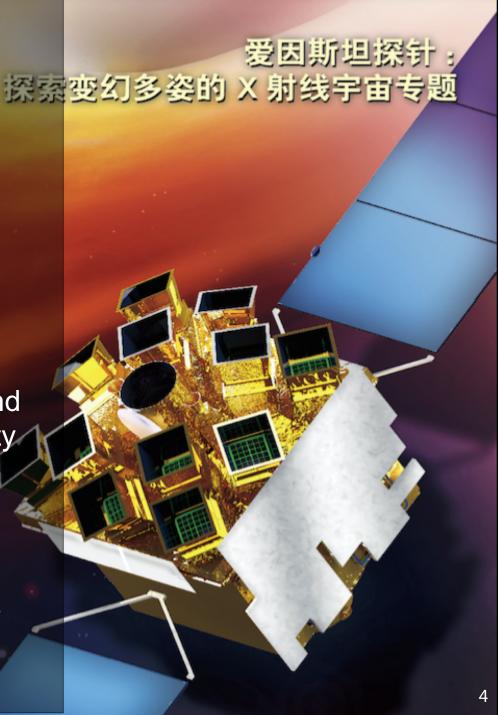
Einstein Probe (EP)

An explorer-class mission

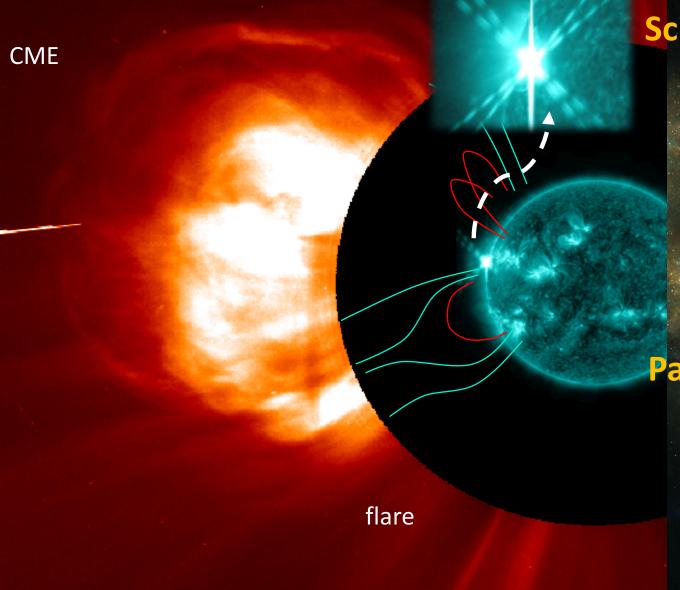
- Dedicated to time-domain astronomy
- For all-sky monitoring & exploring cosmic high-energy transients

Science Goals

- Carry out systematic survey of soft X-ray transients and variability of X-ray sources at unprecedented sensitivity and high cadence
- Demography, origin and evolution of black hole population
- Detect and localize the electromagnetic-wave sources of gravitational-wave events



Advanced Space-borne Solar Observatory (ASO-S)



Science Objectives

- Relationship between solar magnetic field and solar flares
- Relationship between solar magnetic field and CMEs
- Relationship between solar flares and
 CMEs

Payloads

- Full-Disc Vector Magnetograph (FMG) : solar magnetic field
- Hard X-ray Imager (HXI): solar flare
- Lyman-alpha Solar Telescope(LST): CME

Solar wind Magnetosphere Ionosphere Link Explorer (SMILE)



Provide a global view of magnetosphere

Key Scientific Questions

- What are the fundamental modes of the dayside solar wind/magnetosphere interaction?
- What defines the substorm cycle?
- How do CME-driven storms arise, and what is their relationship to substorms?

Gravitational wave high-energy Electromagnetic Counterpart All-sky Monitor(GECAM)

Sciences: GW GRB + others

All-time all-sky detect GW GRB, FRB, ...

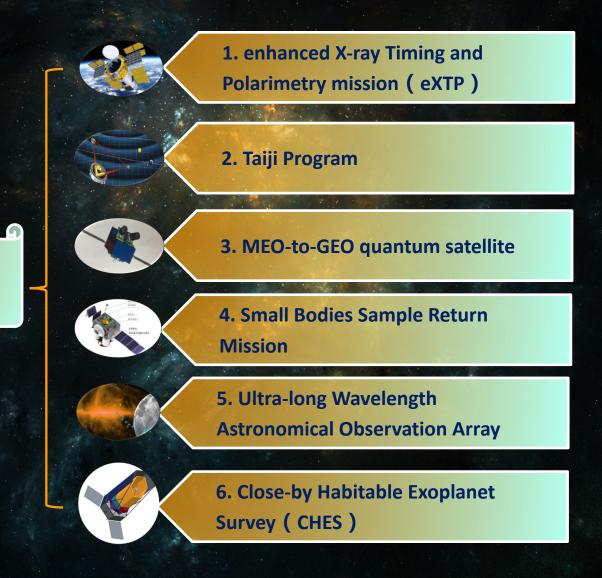
- Independent confirmation of GW event
- Accurate localization, host galaxy, redshift
- Astrophysical content of the GW source
- GW+EM, Cosmology, fundamental physics



New Missions in Study

Intensive Study

(Phase A)



Enhanced X-ray Timing and Polarimetry mission(eXTP)

To observe black holes, neutron stars, and magnetars to understand the physics in extreme gravity, magnetism and density

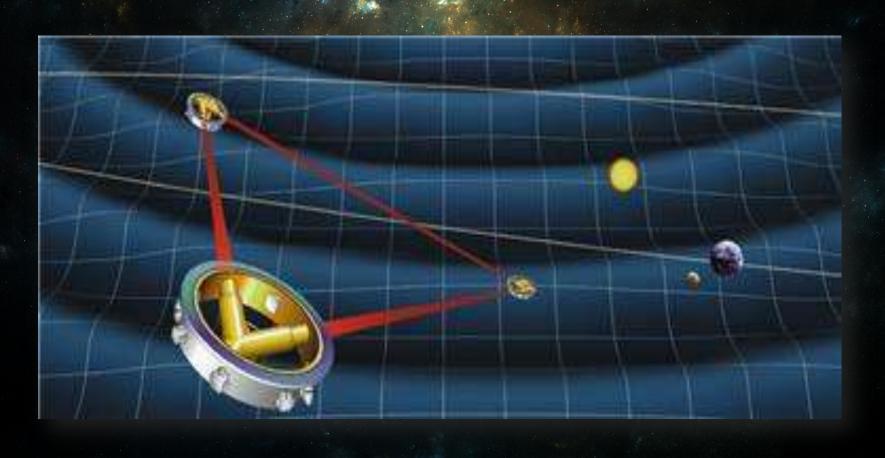
- 1 Singularity
- 2 Stars
- 3 Extremes



Phase B

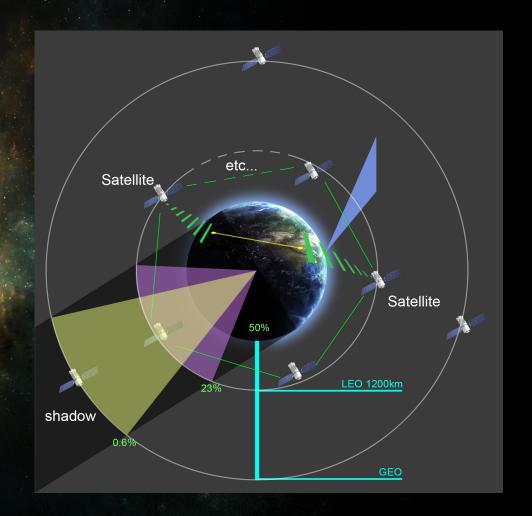
Taiji Program

To observe gravitational wave from mergence of binary black holes or great massive celestial bodies and so on



MEO-to-GEO quantum satellite

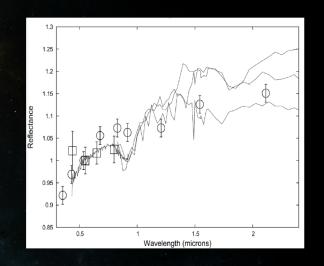
- 1. Develop key technologies, produce MEO-to-GEO quantum satellite, realize ~10000km all-day quantum communication, and build global quantum network
- 2. Explore ultimate Bell test of Quantum Mechanics with free-will
- 3. Explore new methods of testing the unification of Quantum Mechanics and General Relativity



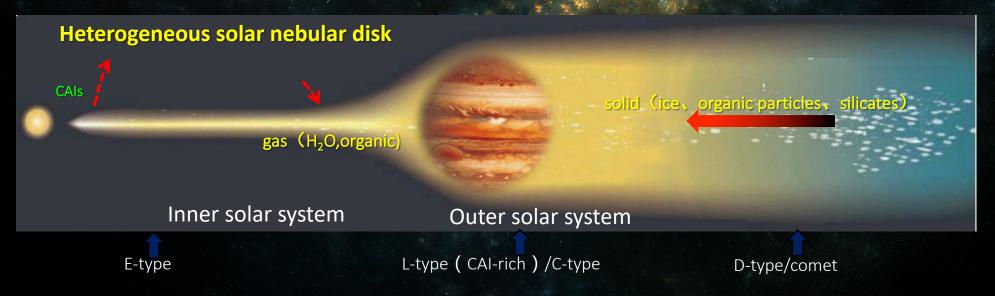
Small Bodies Sample Return Mission

To study 1st 10 Ma history of the solar system

- Formation of the solar system
- Formation of planets in the inner solar system
- Accumulation of planetesimal



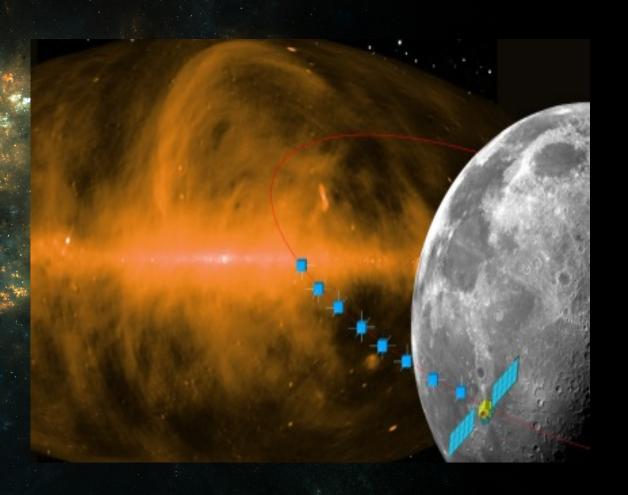
E-type asteroids



Ultra-long Wavelength Astronomical Observation Array

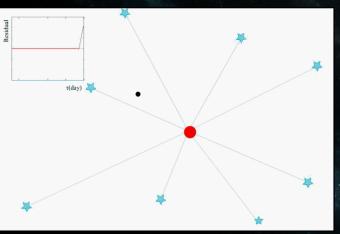
To open up a new window of in the electromagnetic spectrum.

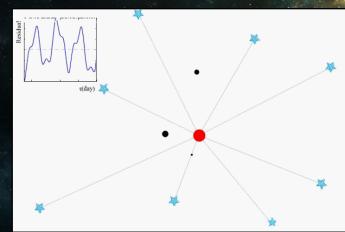
- Probe the dark age and cosmic dawn
- Observe radio activity of the Sun and planets
- Study the origin and propagation of cosmic ray

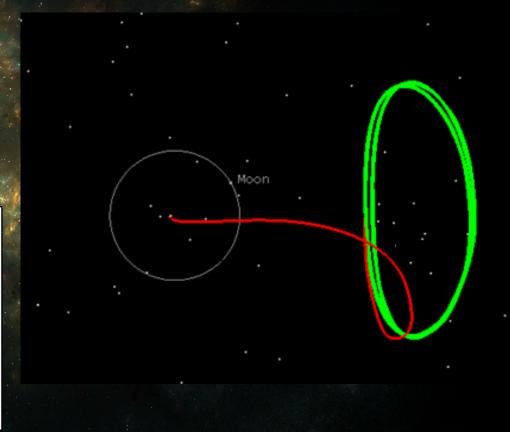


Close-by Habitable Exoplanet Survey (CHES)

To detect habitable Earth-like exoplanets near the solar system (within 10 pc)





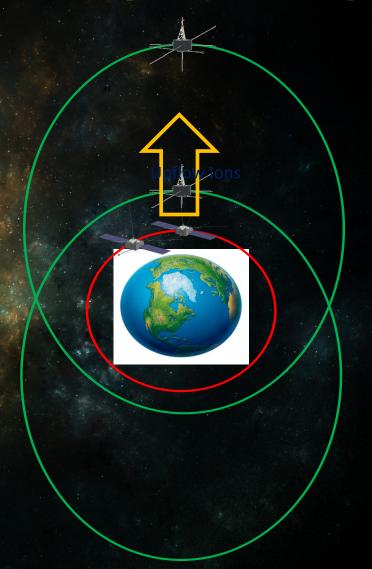


CHES principle diagram of astrometry

Magnetosphere-Ionosphere-Thermosphere Coupling

(MIT)

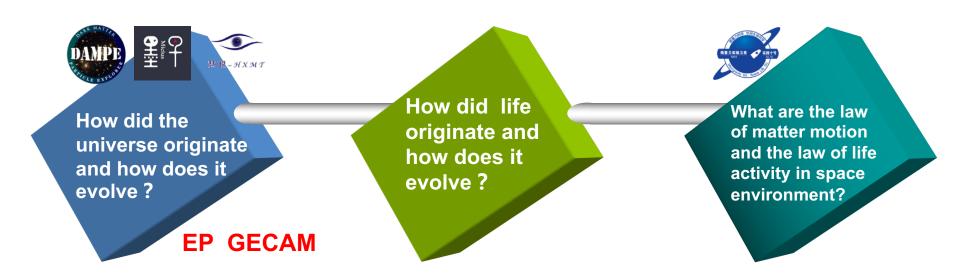
- Understanding the mechanism of ion acceleration and transport in ionosphere / thermosphere
- Unveil the role of the coupling of the Earth's spheres in triggering the space storm
- Discover the escape process of the earth particles and deepening the understanding of the evolution of the planetary atmosphere





Calling Taikong 2035

Theme 1: How did matter originate, how does it evolve?



Theme 2: What is the relationship between solar system and human beings?



Final Remarks

- The breakthroughs in fundamental science is of great significance. China will make contribution to human civilization through space science.
- A new chapter of Chinese space endeavor has been opened, with the implementation of Strategic Priority Program on Space Science. Chinese government puts a high value on space science and will continuously develop its science satellite series.
- We are open to International cooperation and welcome to join us.