

# The Solar System Science Operations Laboratory



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**WHY?** Bringing science to science operations

**WHAT?** Developing **in-house** (@ESAC) core competitive expertise:

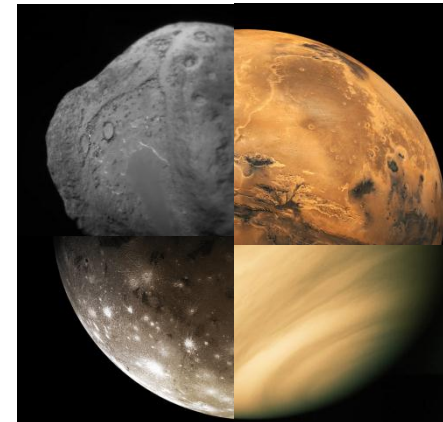
**GEOMETRY-SCIENTIFIC OBSERVATION OPPORTUNITIES analysis and VISUALIZATION for planetary missions**

- Type of missions covered:
  - Orbiter [MEX/VEX/Solar Orbiter]
  - Touring [JUICE]
  - Targeting [Marco-Polo/Rosetta]
- Typical usage per mission phase:
  - Definition phase [JUICE/MP-R]
  - Long-term planning [BepiColombo/Solo/Ros]
  - Routine phase [VEX/MEX]

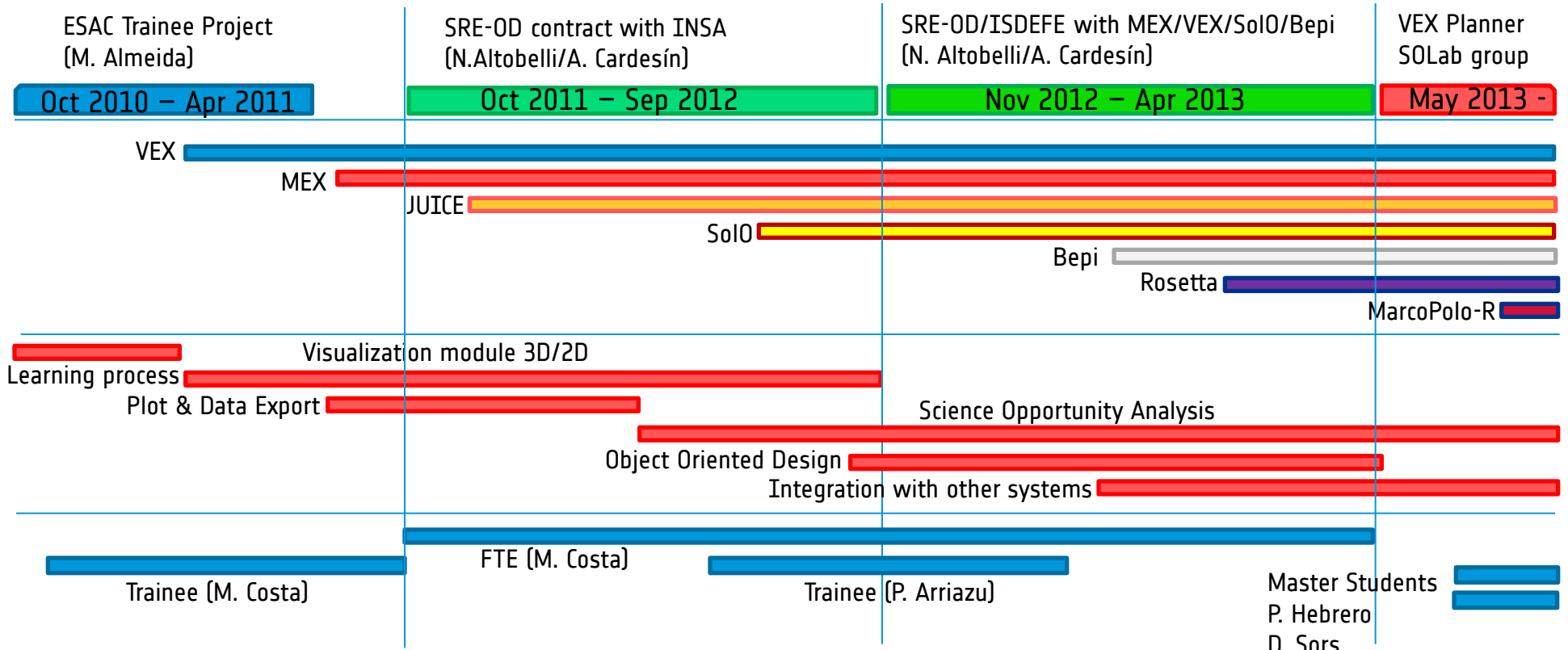
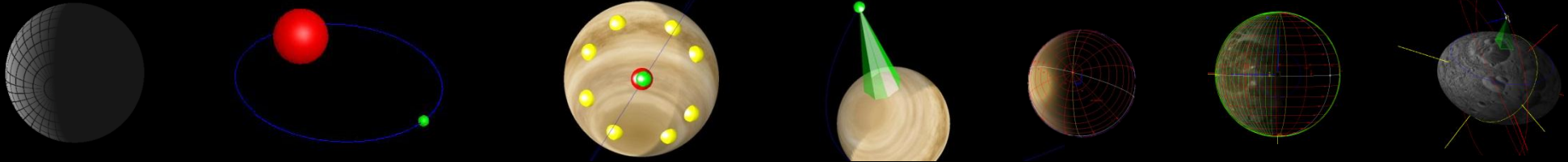
Multi-mission horizontal approach that builds up internal expertise

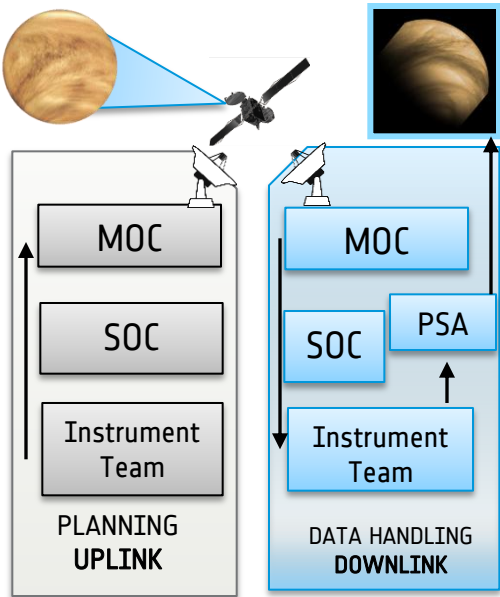
**WHO?** The current SOLab Multi-mission “Group”

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Nicolas Altobelli	[ESA]	JUperiter ICy moons Explorer
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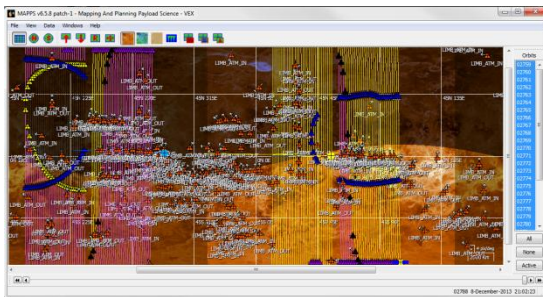


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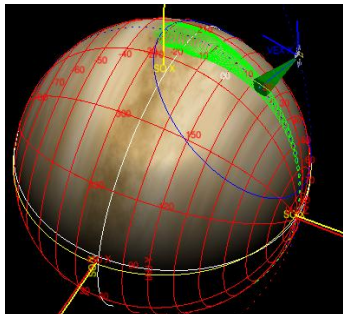
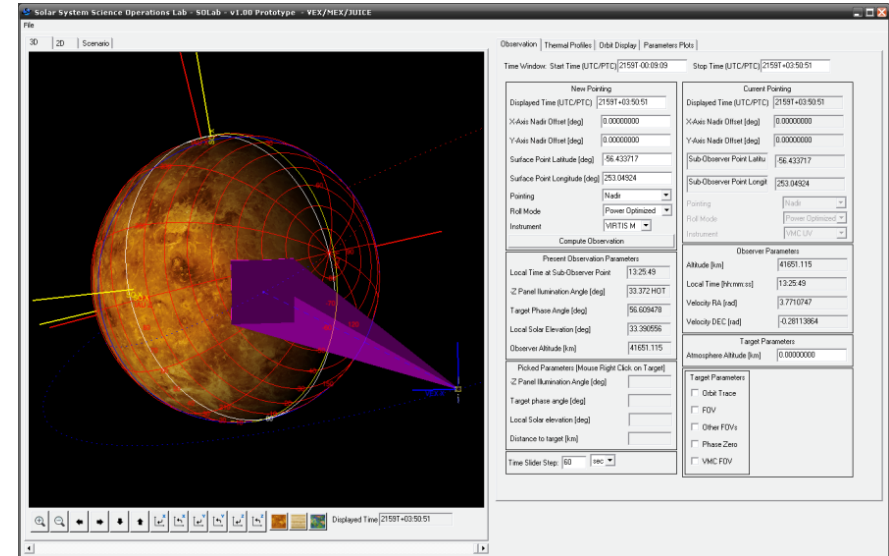


- Planetary Sciences planning activities are often driven by spacecraft technical constraints, such as thermal limitations, link budgets or pointing limitations.
- Science Operations Centers when deriving requirements usually put emphasis in giving the user the tools to deal with such constraints.
- To improve the science planning for planetary missions a prototype of a Science Observation

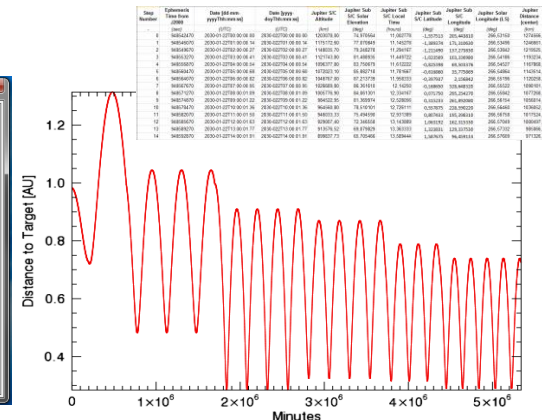
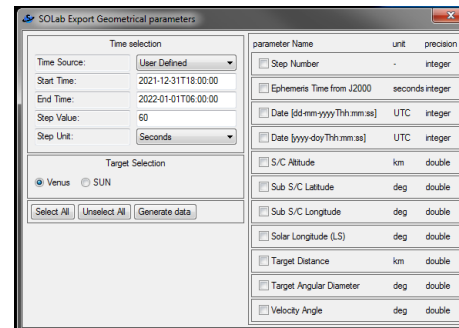
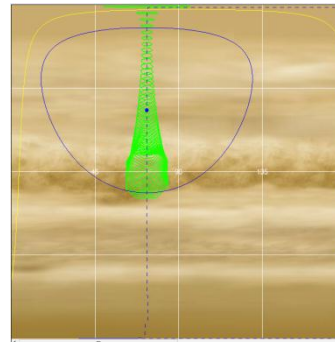


The aim of this project is to investigate new software techniques for computation, visualization and analysis of scientific observation opportunities for interplanetary missions, focusing on the geometrical requirements to cover the scientific mission objectives.

- Modular and highly configurable tool. Most of the options are modified via configuration file.
- Interactive definition of attitude for supporting the creation of pointing requests.
- Plotting capability, taylorable geometrical quantities to be analyzed.
- Production of large amounts of datasets covering all the time given by the kernels with the desired resolution.



Present Observation Parameters	
Local Time at Sub-Observer Point	13.24:41
Z Panel Illumination Angle [deg]	49.141 HOT
Target Phase Angle [deg]	40.857895
Local Solar Elevation [deg]	43.142255
Observer Altitude [km]	2440.3148
Picked Parameters [Mouse Right Click on Target]	
Z Panel Illumination Angle [deg]	52.727 HOT
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Distance to target [km]	19690.700
Time Slider Step	60 sec

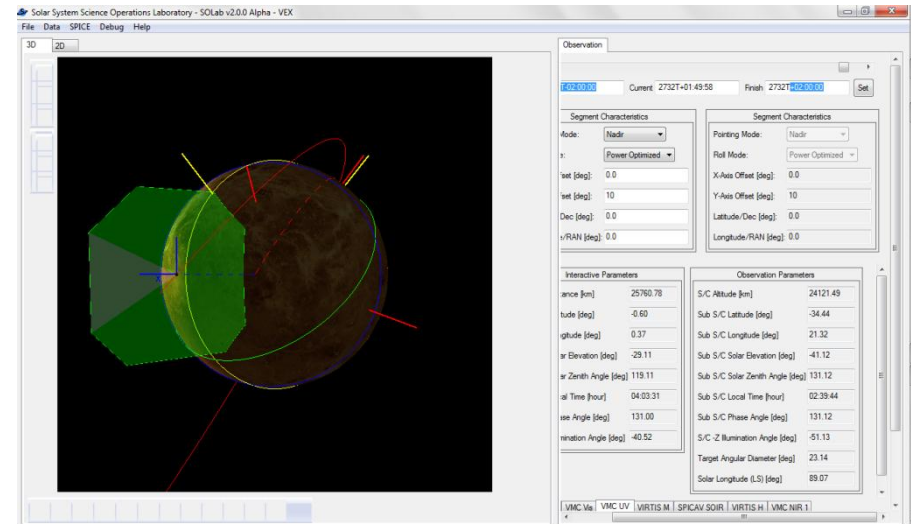
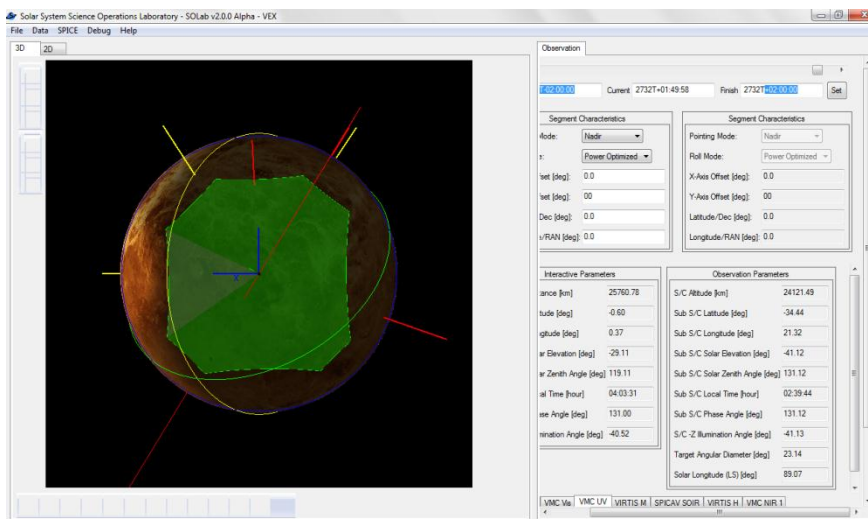
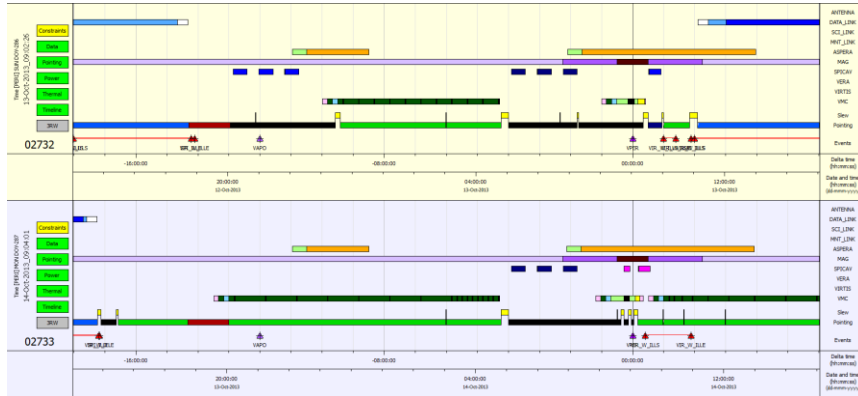




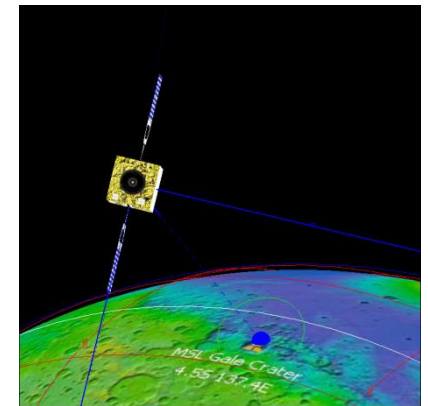
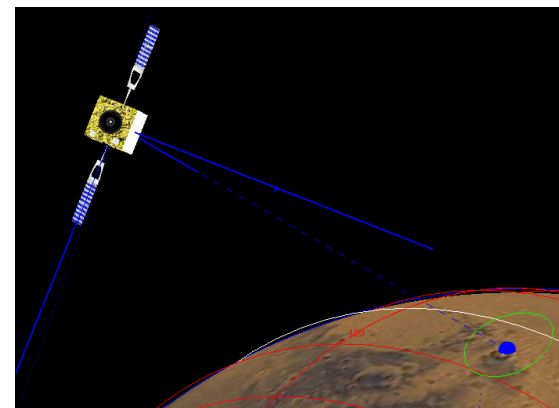
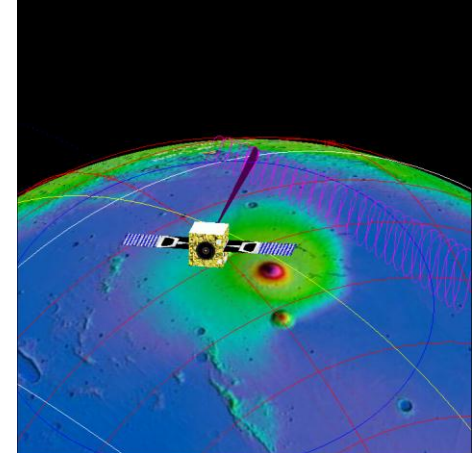
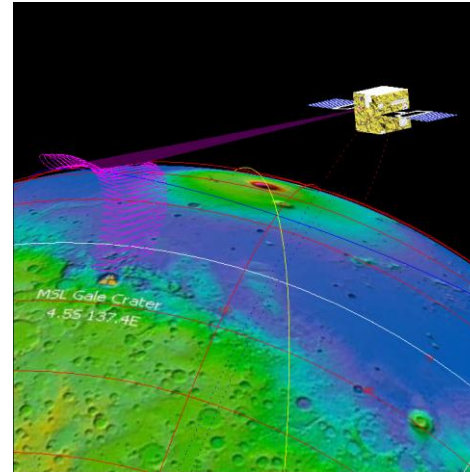
# Enhancing Science Planning Medium Term Planning applications



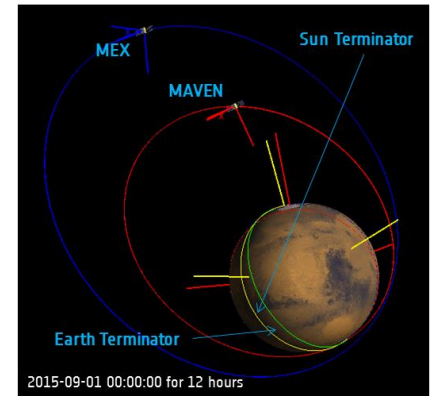
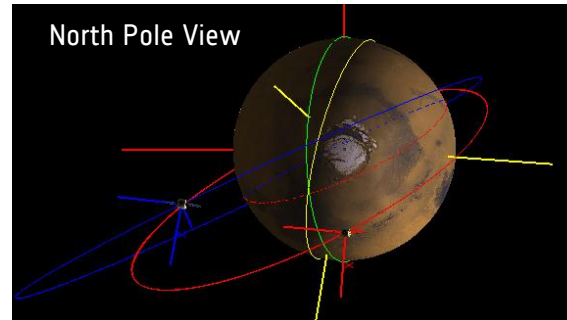
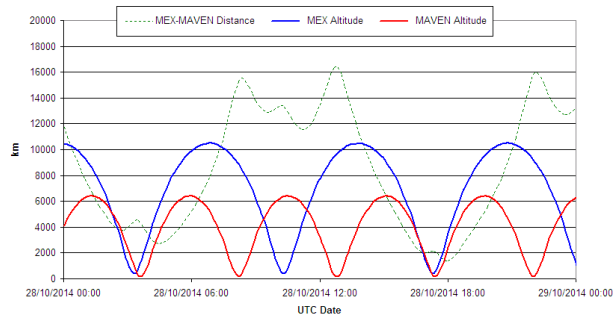
## Pointing optimization for VMC camera on VEX in MTP098



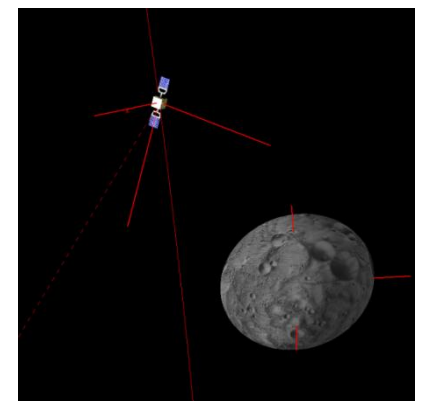
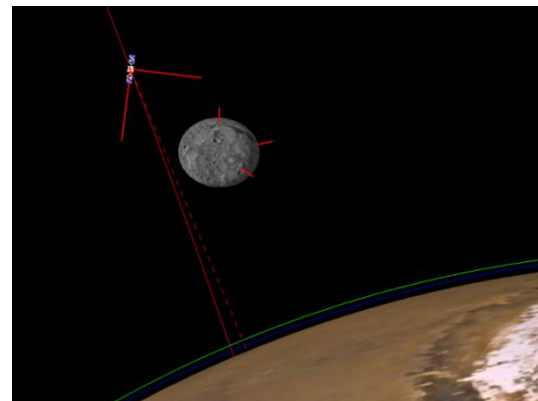
- **Integration with other operational systems** and generate operational products for science operations engineers (pointing request, attitude files...).
- MAPPS quaternions can be converted into SPICE kernels and loaded by SOLab
- **Example 1:**
  - Limb Tracking over MSL Gale Crater
  - Vertical profile of the atmosphere at different latitudes, passing over Gale Crater
- **Example 2:**
  - Tracking MSL Gale Crater
  - Study of the same target at different emission angles



- **Complement other operational systems:** Provide quick answers from non immediately available resources
- **Example 1:**
  - Joint **MEX-MAVEN** observation campaigns of the Martian magnetosphere
  - Long Term analysis of science campaigns with Olivier Witasse, presented at AGU

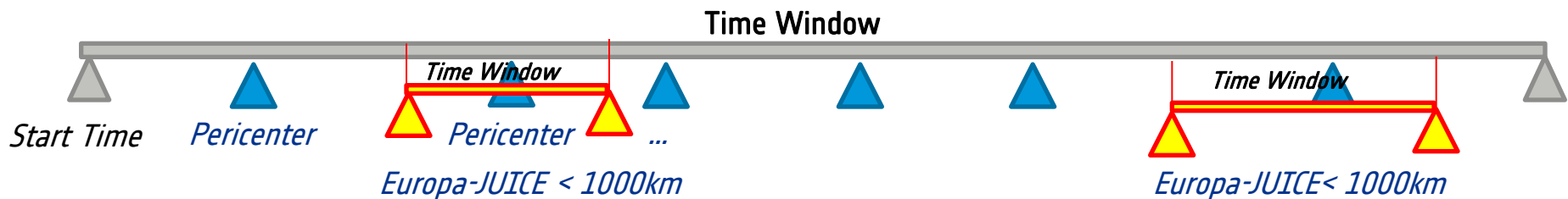


- **Example 2:**
  - **Phobos flyby** campaign.
  - Provide contextual geometry of planned pointing for instrument teams.





- **Science Opportunity Analysis.**
  - Computation of observation opportunities to find best observation condition (e.g. Occultation's, flybys, illumination).
  - Computation of events and science constraints to be visualized and stored in databases.
  - Events start and stop times define **Time Windows**
- An **event** is a user defined geometrical condition which is true for a given time period or instant.
  - Events can be combined on order to define **observation opportunities**. Earth and star occultations, separation angles, flyby's, latitude coverage...
  - Time Windows resulting from science opportunity analysis (Event finding) are combined to build **high level science campaigns or observations**.



- **Event Finder**

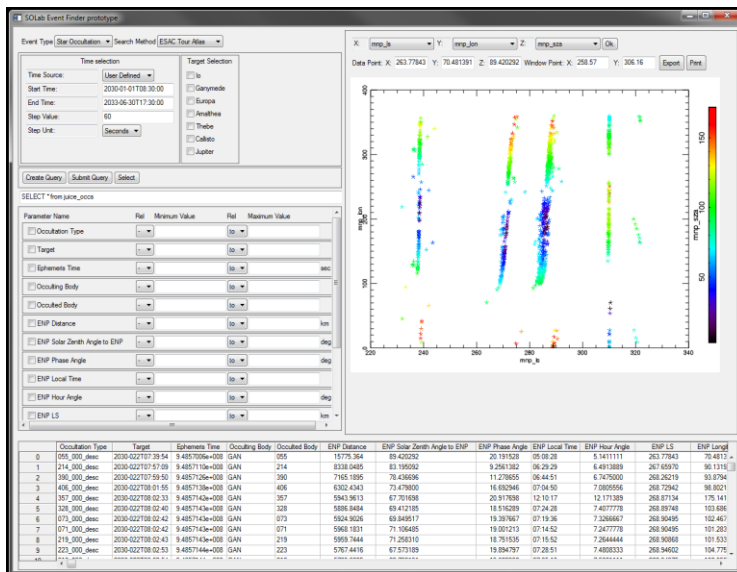
Defines the syntax of events and retrieves them using:

1. ESAC Science Opportunity Repository: Precomputed events for the whole mission stored in databases.
2. SOLab internal event finder using SPICE geometry Finder.

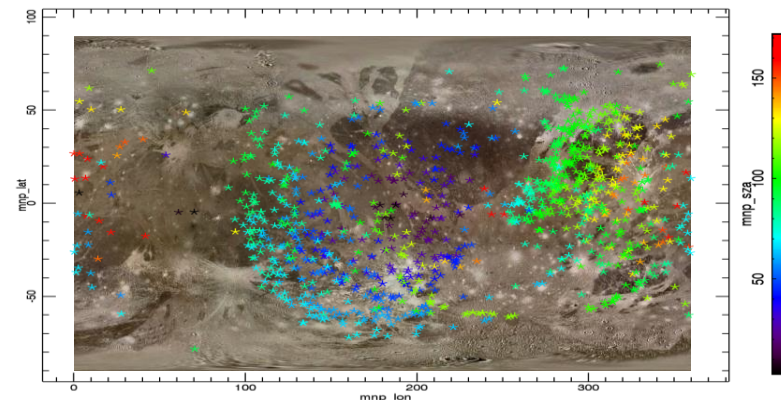
- **Event Handler**

- Displays the events and allows to refine the search by sorting the events
- List of events can be exported in any format (EPS...)
- Interfaces with the Visualization and plotting Module.

- **Example: JUICE Tour Atlas Stellar/Sun/Earth occultations database**

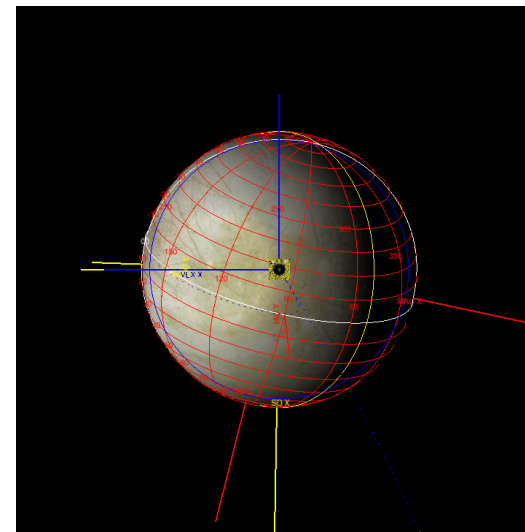
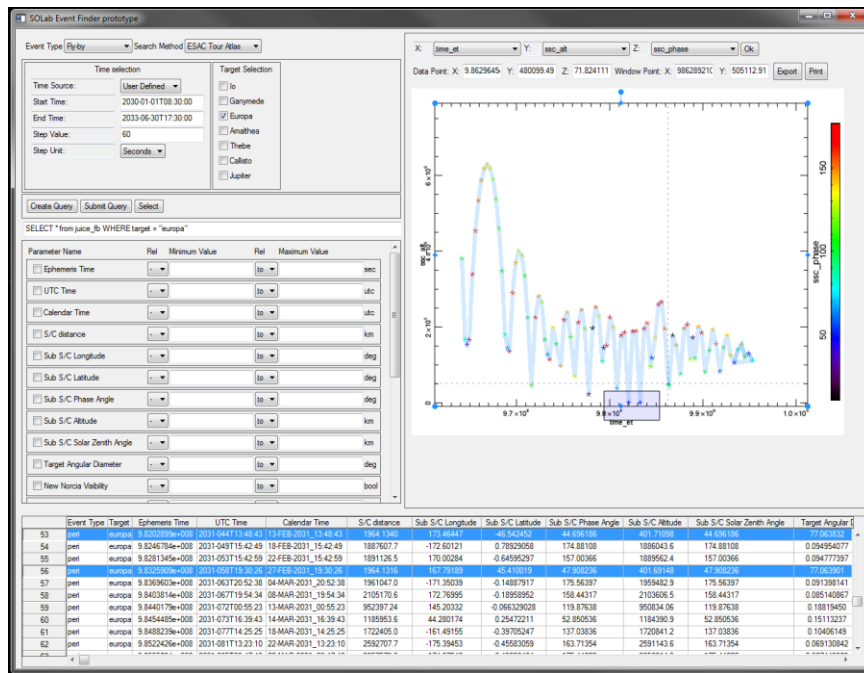


- The user requests an event with an interface.
- Events are displayed in a table and in a multidimensional plot

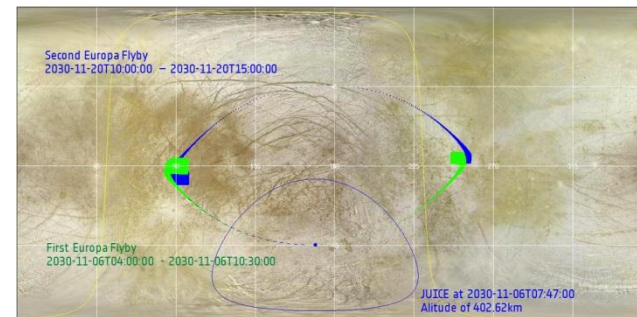


## Selection of events and 'contextual geometry' analysis

- User selects Europa as a Target *SELECT \* from juice\_fb WHERE target = "europa"*
- Using the Event Handler the search can be refined
- In the following the closest flybys are chosen and one is analyzed



New Pointing	
Deployed Time (UTC/PTC)	2030-11-06T07:30:00
X-Axis Nadi Offset (deg)	0.00000000
Y-Axis Nadi Offset (deg)	0.00000000
Surface Point Latitude (deg)	-18.106390
Surface Point Longitude (deg)	96.640716
Pointing	Nadi
Roll Mode	Power Optimized
Instrument	WAC
Compute Observation	
Present Observation Parameters	
Local Time at Sub-Observer Point	09:00:29
Z Panel Illumination Angle (deg)	43.329180
Target Phase Angle (deg)	46.860480
Local Solar Elevation (deg)	43.314631
Observer Altitude (km)	2886.1469



- First Europa fly-by animation displaying JANUS camera



# SciOps Feasibility assessment for JUICE

## System setup



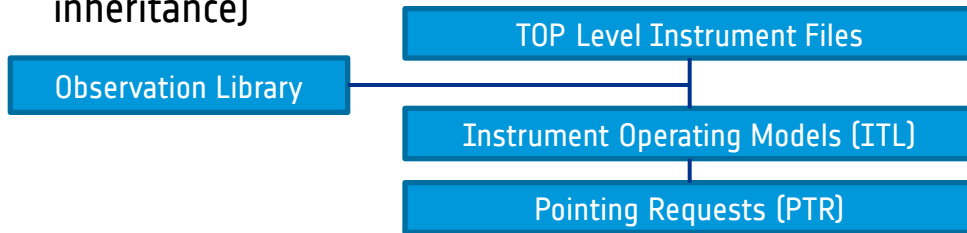
### Support the Science Implementation Plan of JUICE's Science Working Team

#### INPUTS

- Experiment Interface Document – B
- Schematic set of Operational Scenarios
- High Level Science Operations Concept

#### CONTRIBUTION BY THE GROUP:

- MAPPS setup for JUICE.
- Preliminary Instrument and spacecraft resources modeling (EDFs and SPICE Kernels).
- Creation of generic operational products (Rosetta, VEX and MEX inheritance)

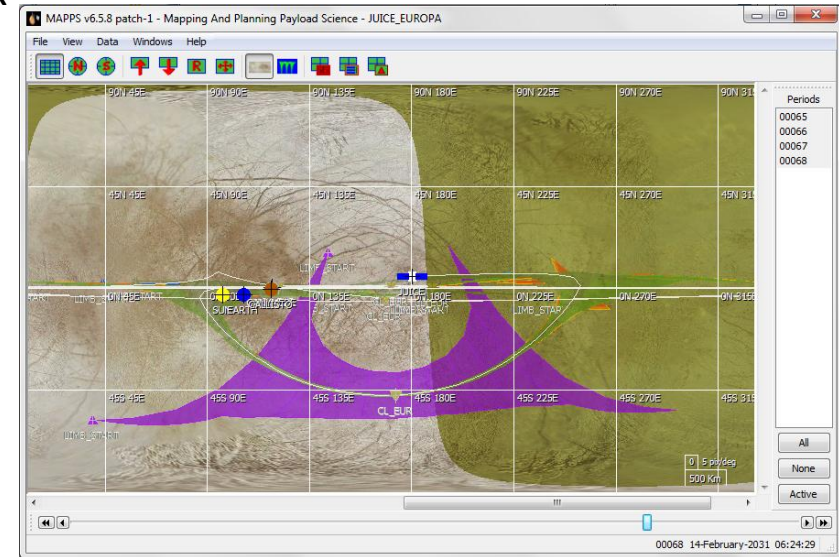


- Interface definition between SOLab and MAPPS.
- Creation of scenario specific operational products from science requirements

#### OUTPUT:

- Realistic Science Operations feasibility study,
- Sizing of science cases for industry (SSMM)

	Start FB ops		Day side		CA		Terminator		Day side		End FB operations
Time from CA begin	4:01	-05	0:01	1:20	-01	0	-01	0:01	1:20	0	0:01
Distance from CA, km	500,000	200,000	173,800	12,800	1,300	0	500	17,000	68,000	173,800	500,000
Operational principle/ status	Multi-power optimized, power steering	Multi-power optimized, power steering	Multi-power optimized, power steering	Multi-power optimized, power steering	Local radiol. no power steering	Local radiol. no power steering	Local radiol. no power steering	Local radiol. no power steering	Multi-power optimized, power steering	Multi-power optimized, power steering	Multi-power optimized, power steering
<b>Remote sensing</b>											
JANUS	1/8s image x 1 1/8s push-broom	1/8s image x 1 1/8s push-broom	2/30s mosaic #1 5.3s, 2/30s mosaic #2 2 images x 1 1/8s push-broom	2/30s mosaic #1 5.3s, 2/30s mosaic #2 2 images x 1 1/8s push-broom	1/8s image x 1 1/8s push-broom	1/8s image x 1 1/8s push-broom	1/8s image x 1 1/8s push-broom	1/8s image x 1 1/8s push-broom	1/8s image x 1 1/8s push-broom	1/8s image x 1 1/8s push-broom	1/8s image x 1 1/8s push-broom
MARS	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom	Multi-power mode - 1 image x 1 1/8s push-broom
UVS	UVS observation type: Europa Fly-Around & Aurore observation type										
SWI	SWI mode: Science #1										
<b>Geophysics</b>											
GALA	1/8s frequency mode at 30 Hz										
RIME	RIME mode: "Fly-Phase" below 100km altitude										
30M	30M mode: Science #1										
<b>Plasma &amp; Waves</b>											
JMAG	Normal mode	Push-broom	Push-broom	Push-broom	Push-broom	Push-broom	Push-broom	Push-broom	Push-broom	Push-broom	Push-broom
WPM	Low	Medium	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High
PEP-30M	Low	Medium	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High
PEP-10M	Low	Medium	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High
PEP-Plasma	Low	Medium	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High
Telecommunications	Orbit correction manoeuvres										
	Between 24 and 24 hours										Between 24 and 24 hours
Notes: (1) 1 image in 1/8s x 1/8s (uncompressed); (2) "OPF" 8-bit mosaic; "Standby" 8-bit images in push-frame mode											





# SciOps Feasibility assessment for JUICE

## Operational Scenario: Europa Flyby (I)



	Start FB ops				CA Terminator				End FB operations			
	Day side								Day side			
Time from CA, hours	-40	-16	-9	-5.0	-1.25	-10 min	0	-10 min	1.25	5	9	16
Distance from CA, km	500,000	200,000	120,000	60,000	12,000	1300	1300	1300	12,000	60,000	120,000	200,000
Spacecraft pointing/ orient:	Nadir, power-optimized, yaw steering	Nadir, power-optimized, yaw steering	Nadir & 2x2 mosaic, power optimized, yaw steering	Nadir & mosaics, power optimized	Nadir & mosaics, power optimized, yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Nadir & mosaic, power optimized, yaw steering	Nadir, power optimized, yaw steering	Nadir, power optimized, yaw steering
<b>Remote sensing</b>												
JANUS	1 image x 4 filters per hour	10.5h: 1 image x 4 filters per 1 hour	JANUS mosaic #1 -5.3h: 2x1 mosaic: 2 images x 13 filters per 1 hour	JANUS mosaic #2 3.5h: 5x2 mosaic @400m/px resol: 10 images in 13 filters	1 image, panchromatic, per 10 min	Panchromatic pushframe/ pushbroom imaging	Panchromatic pushframe/ pushbroom imaging	1 image, panchromatic, per 10 min	JANUS mosaic #3 3.5h: 5x2 mosaic @400m/px resol: 10 images in 13 filters	JANUS mosaic #14 -5.3h: 2x1 mosaic: 2 images x 13 filters	10.5h: 1 image x 4 filters per 1 hour	

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CLS_APP_EUR (COUNT = 1) -05:18:00 JSGS INCLUDE "JN_EUR_CLS_APP_MOSAIC_ON_ITL_v01.itl"
CLS_APP_EUR (COUNT = 1) -05:08:00 JSGS INCLUDE "JN_EUR_CLS_APP_MOSAIC_OFF_ITL_v01.itl"
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    PITCH = 0.65 [degrees] \
    YAW = 0.65 [degrees] \
    SLEW_POLICY = BEFORE_NEXT)
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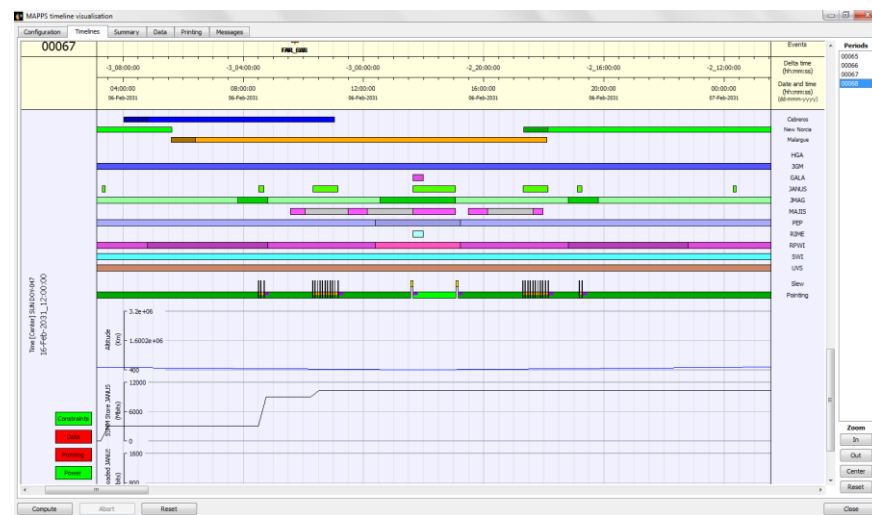
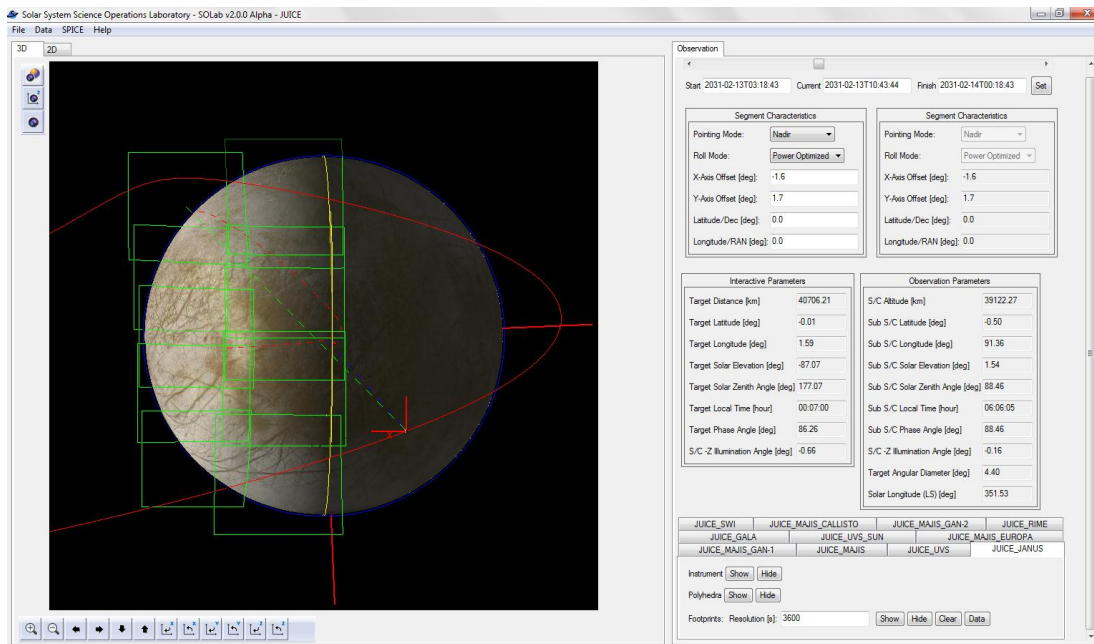


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## Operational Scenario: Europa Flyby (II)



	Start FB ops				CA Terminator				End FB operations			
	Day side								Day side			
Time from CA, hours	-40	-16	-9	-5.0	-1.25	-10 min	0	-10 min	1.25	5	9	16
Distance from CA, km	500,000	200,000	120,000	60,000	12,000	1300	1300	1300	12,000	60,000	120,000	200,000
Spacecraft pointing/ orient:	Nadir, power-optimized, yaw-steering	Nadir, power-optimized, yaw-steering	Nadir & 2x2-mosaic, power optimized, yaw steering	Nadir & mosaics, power optimized	Nadir & mosaics, power optimized, yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Nadir & mosaic, power optimized, yaw steering	Nadir, power optimized, yaw steering	Nadir, power optimized, yaw steering
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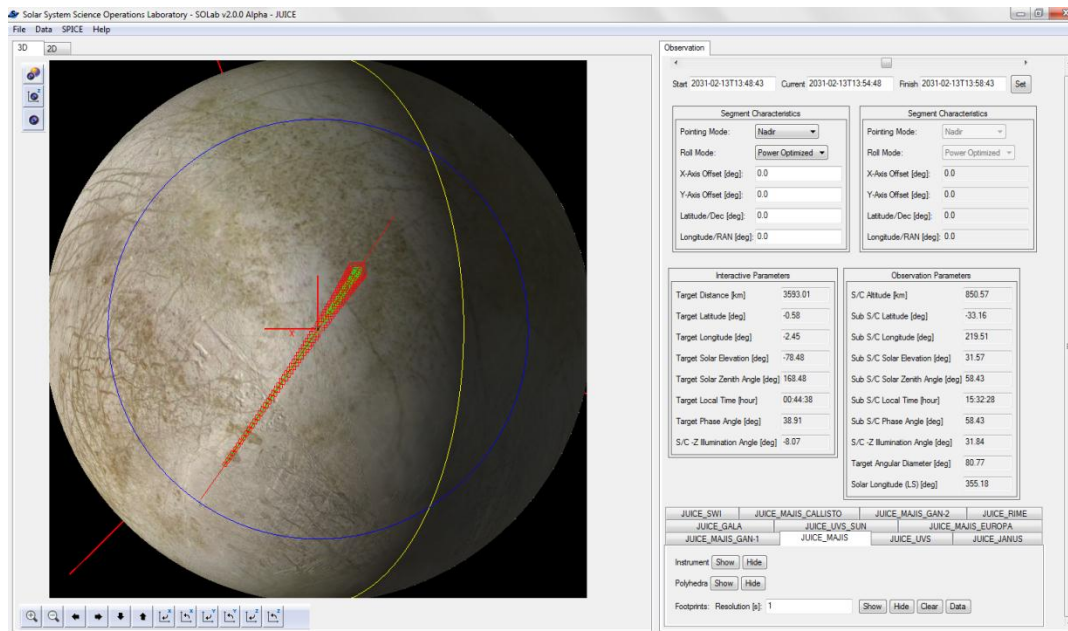


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## Operational Scenario: Europa Flyby (III)



	Start FB ops						CA Terminator						End FB operations	
	Day side													
Time from CA, hours	-40	-16	-9	-5.0	-1.25	-10 min	0	-10 min	1.25	5	9	16		
Distance from CA, km	500,000	200,000	120,000	60,000	12,000	1300		1300	12,000	60,000	120,000	200,000		
Spacecraft pointing/ orient:	Nadir, power-optimized, yaw steering	Nadir, power-optimized, yaw steering	Nadir & 2x2 mosaic, power optimized, yaw steering	Nadir & mosaics, power optimized	Nadir & mosaics, power optimized, yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Local nadir, no yaw steering	Nadir & mosaic, power optimized, yaw steering	Nadir, power optimized, yaw steering	Nadir, power optimized, yaw steering		
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### DATA SUMMARY REPORT

INSTRUMENT DATA VOLUME STATISTICS		
	Data Volume (Mbits)	Data Share
GALA Total Data Volume	1.395	0.00%
JANUS Total Data Volume	129000.000	31.45%
JMAG Total Data Volume	571.309	0.14%
MAJIS Total Data Volume	276672.000	67.45%
PEP Total Data Volume	0.000	0.00%
RIME Total Data Volume	2880.000	0.70%
RPWI Total Data Volume	1087.340	0.27%
SWI Total Data Volume	481.538	0.12%
UVS Total Data Volume	24552.635	5.99%
<b>TOTAL Data Volume:</b>	<b>410212.044</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

DATA DOWNLINK STATISTICS		
	Data Downlink (Mbits)	Percentage
Available Downlink:	43335.700	100.00%
Data Downloaded:	11248.300	25.96%
Unused Downlink:	32087.500	74.04%



# Summary

## Conclusions



- Developing **in-house** core competitive expertise with multi-mission involvement:  
**GEOMETRY-SCIENTIFIC OBSERVATION OPPORTUNITIES analysis and VISUALIZATION for planetary missions**
- **Science Opportunity Analysis**
  - Computation of observation opportunities to find best observation condition (e.g. Occultation's, fly-bys...)
- **Prototype for context geometry analysis of pointings and observations/campaigns**
  - Quick visualization and interactive refinements of pointings
  - Generation of derived geometry datasets
- **Integration with other operational systems** and generate operational products for science operations engineers (pointing request, attitude files...)
- **Proof of concept for multi-mission group** re-using expertise and technology from other projects



Thanks for your attention



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