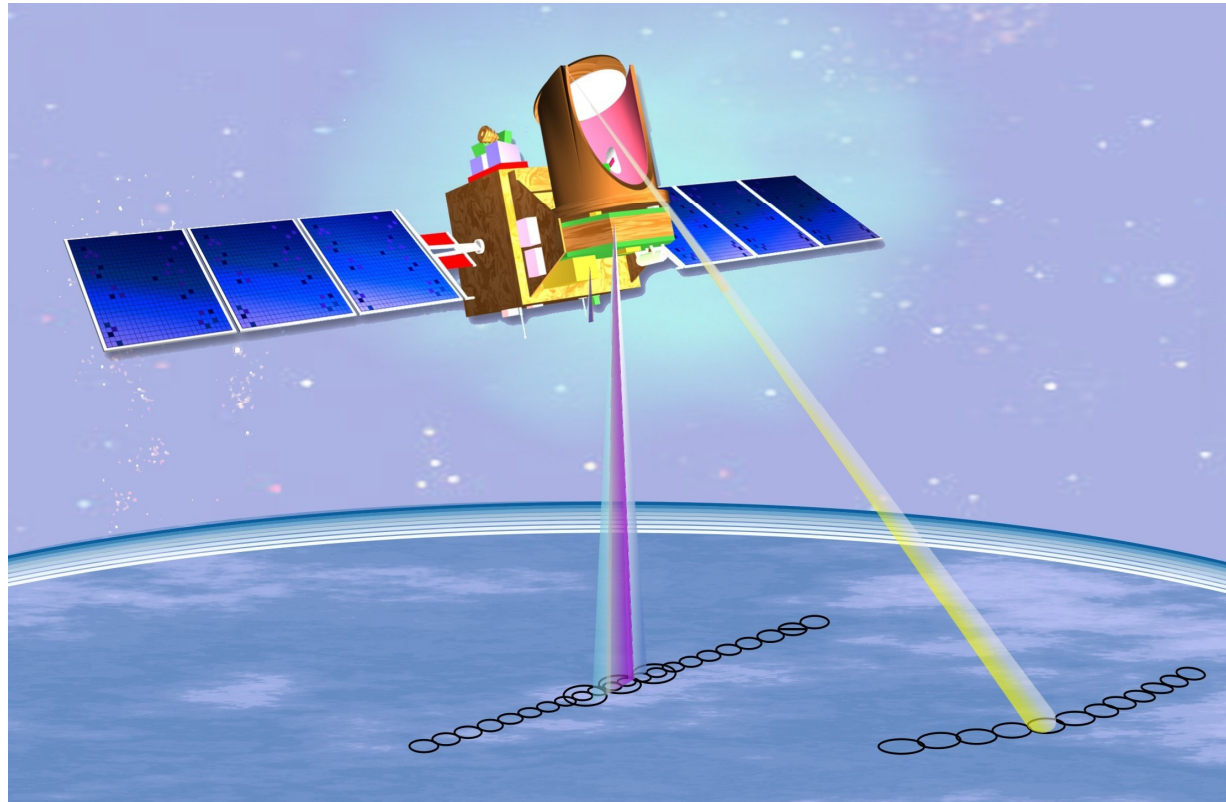




# Megha-Tropiques





# MEGHA - TROPIQUES PROJECT

- **MEGHA**

IN SANSKRIT MEANS CLOUDS

- **TROPIQUES**

IN FRENCH IS TROPICS



# **MEGHA - TROPIQUES MISSION**

- **Indo - French collaboration ( ISRO - CNES )**
- **Climate / atmosphere research and applications satellite for studies over the tropics**
- **Inclined orbit of 20 degrees for high repetitivity**
- **IRS bus –1500 kg class (Megha-Tropiques: 1000 kg)**
- **Shared responsibility of payloads**
- **Launched by ISRO's PSLV–C18 on 12 October 2011**
- **Spacecraft control and data reception from ISTRAC, Bangalore**
- **Science data reception from ISTRAC, Bangalore and CNES GS at Kourou / HBK (Africa)**
- **Level-0 and Level-1 Data Products by ISRO**



## **MISSION OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To collect a long-term set of measurements with a good sampling and coverage over Tropical latitudes to understand better the processes related to tropical convective systems and their life cycle.**
- 2. To improve the determination of atmospheric energy and water budget in the tropical area at various time and space scales.**
- 3. To study tropical climatic events and their predictability: droughts, monsoon variability, floods and tropical cyclones.**



# MEGHA - TROPIQUES MISSION

## UNIQUENESS OF THE MISSION

- **INCLINATION**: Low orbital inclination **20°**
- **SWATH**: Large swath **1700 to 2200 km**
- **REPETITIVITY**: **6 times** a day over 10 – 20 deg latitude band, **4 times** at many other latitudes
- **PAYLOADS**: **4 payloads**: A large number of climate/atmospheric parameters from a common platform:



# PAYLOADS

- ❑ **MADRAS: *Microwave Analysis and Detection of Rain and Atmospheric Structures* – ISRO and CNES**
  - ❖ 5 – Frequency, 9-channel Microwave imager; 18, 23, 36, 89 and 157 GHz;
  - ❖ All in V & H Polarisation except for 23 GHz – V only
  - Wind speed, total water vapour, cloud liquid water, rainfall, cloud ice*
- ❑ **SAPHIR: Sounder for Atmospheric Profiling of Humidity in the Inter-tropical Regions - CNES**
  - ❖ Six-channels at 183 GHz Water vapour Resonance frequency
  - Humidity Profiling at 6 altitudes*
- ❑ **SCARAB: SCAnner for RAdiation Budget – 4 Channels - CNES**
  - Long-wave radiation fluxes*
- ❑ **ROSA: Radio Occultation Sounder for Atmosphere – Procured from Italy**
  - ❖ GPS receivers at L1 and L2 channels
  - Temperature and humidity profiles*



# PARAMETERS TO BE MEASURED

## BY MEGHA - TROPIQUES

- Cloud condensed water content
- Cloud ice content
- Convective-stratiform cloud discrimination
- Rain rate
- Latent Heat release
- Integrated water vapour content
- Profile of water vapour content
- Radiative fluxes at the top of the atmosphere
- Sea surface wind

## BY OTHER MISSIONS

- Cloud cover
- Cloud top height
- Cloud albedo
- Sea surface temperature
- Sea surface evaporation fluxes
- Temperature profile
- 3D wind field



## MEGHA-TROPIQUES MISSION

### Mainframe

**Structure** : I1.5K IRS bus with heritage

**Mechanisms:** Solar array deployment mechanism

Solar array drive assembly (SADA)

MADRAS Scan Mechanism (MSM)

Madras Hold-down & Release Mechanism (HDRM)

ROSA hold-down & release mechanism

**Thermal** : Passive system with heritage

**Power** : 1160 W generated (max @ EOL)

2 x 24 AH NiCd batteries

User specific DCDC Converters

**Payload Power:** 300W

**Bus power:** ~325 W

**Data Rates:** ~100 kbps

**SSR** : 16Gb

**Tx rate** : 5.2Mbps – S Band

**TTC** : 4Kbps , S-band

**OBC** : ASIC Based with heritage s/w

**AOCS** : 3-axis stabilised with 4RWs, 1 MCW Gyros & Star sensors, N2H4-based

RCS

**Pointing** : 0.1 deg

**Drift rates** :  $1 \times 10^{-3}$  deg/sec

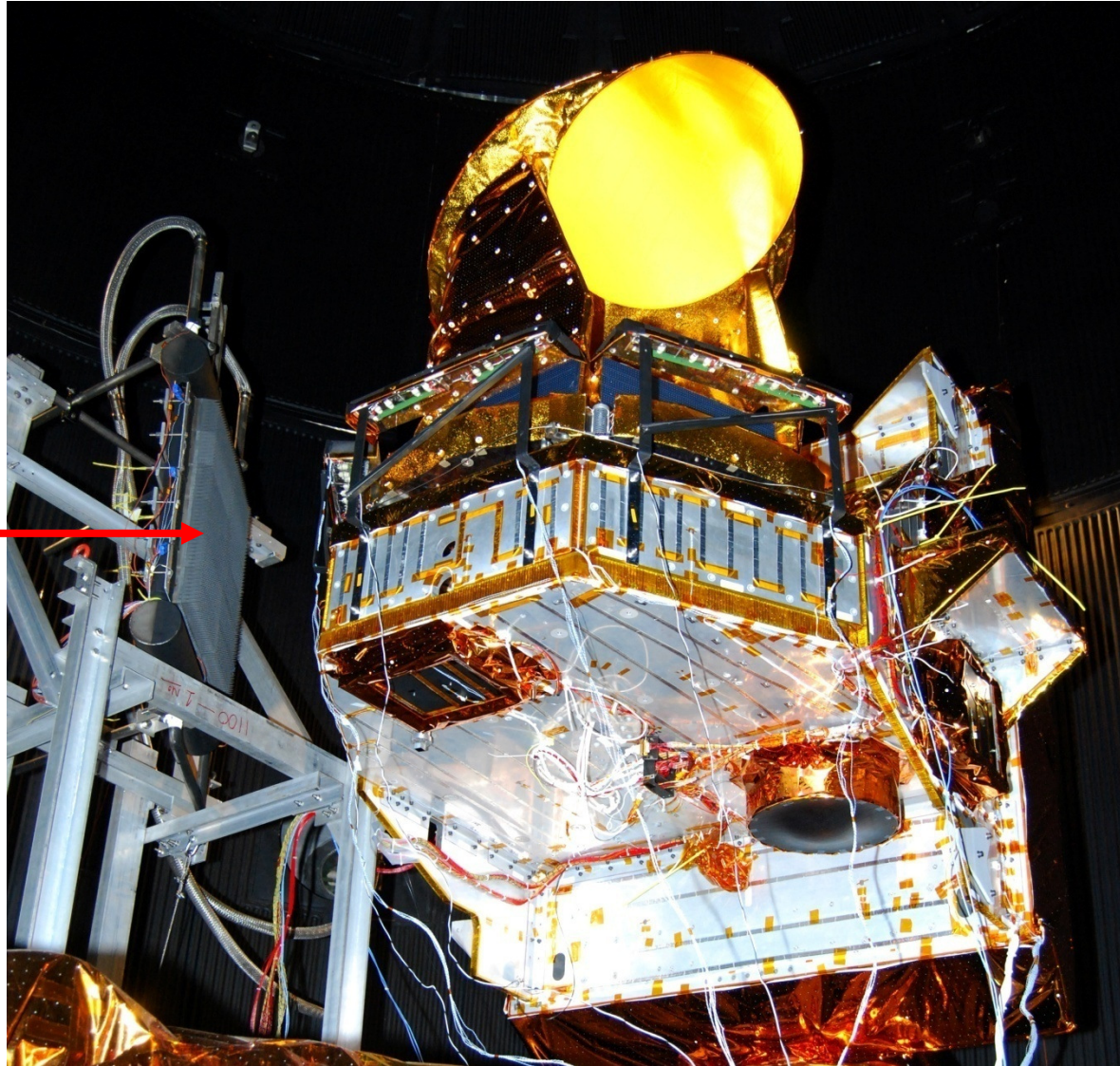
**Mass** : 997 kg

**Launch** : PSLV-C18, October 12 2011



# MADRAS UNDER THERMO-VAC TESTS

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TARGET





## ***MADRAS, SAPHIR and SCARAB integrated on PIM***

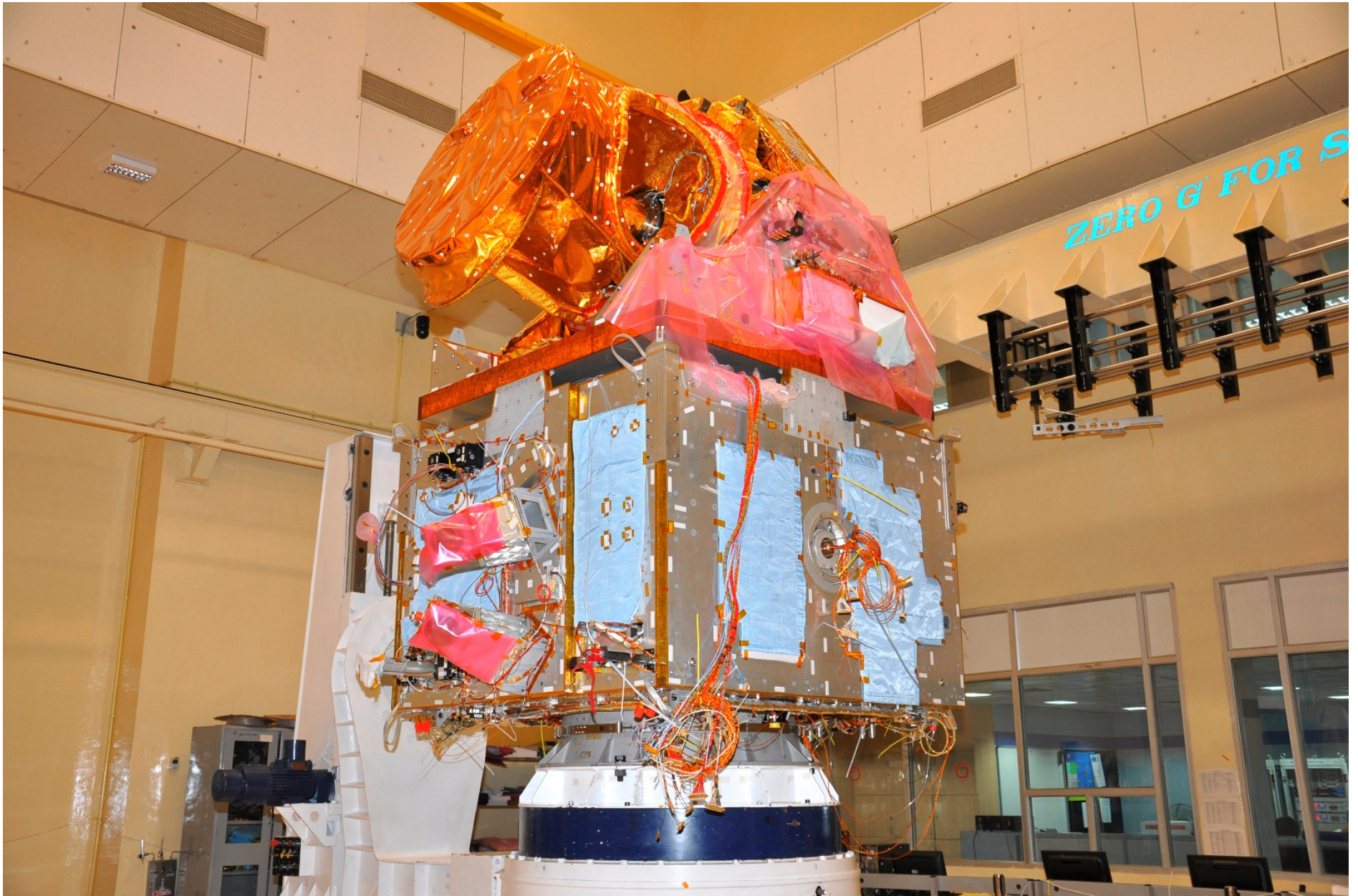
- ***MADRAS, SAPHIR and SCARAB mechanically integrated on Payload Instruments Module (PIM)***
- ***Electrically interconnected with platform***
- ***Telecommand and House-keeping Telemetry checks have been carried out in disassembled mode test***
- ***Science Telemetry from all the three payloads acquired and checked for CCSDS packet integrity***



## Spacecraft Disassembled Mode Test





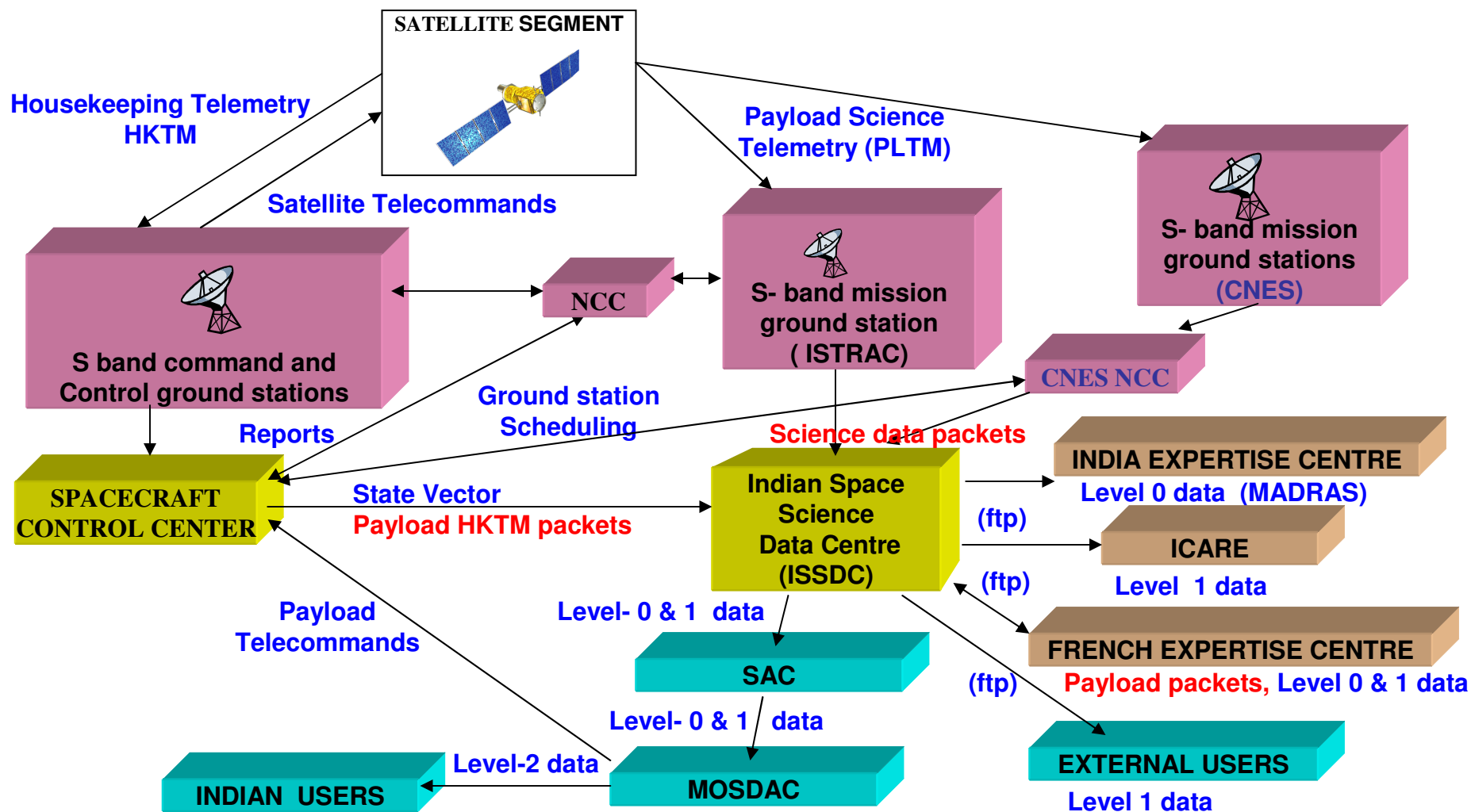


**MEGHA-TROPIQUES IN CLEAN ROOM**



# MT Ground Segment Plan

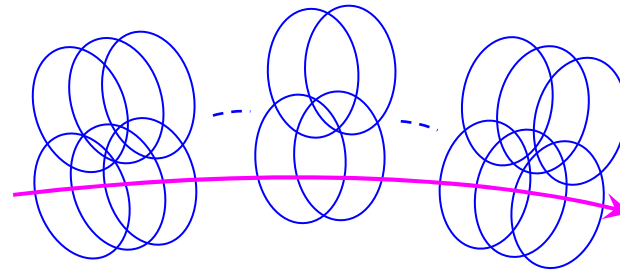
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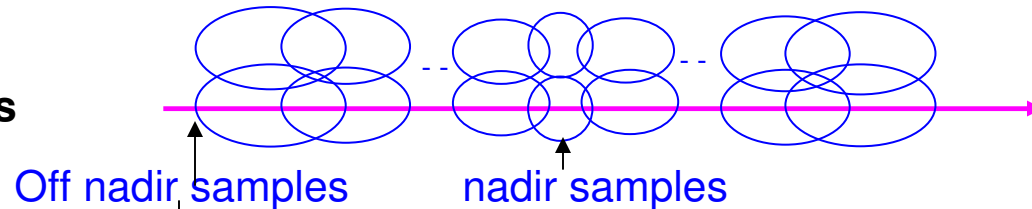
# Levels of Data Products

**Level-1A:** It is the brightness temperature (MADRAS & SAPHIR) & radiance (SCARAB) geo-tagged product for all channels in scan mode (acquired geometry). Parameters for each acquired sample is computed. Both segment-wise and orbit-wise product are generated. Orbit-wise products are archived.

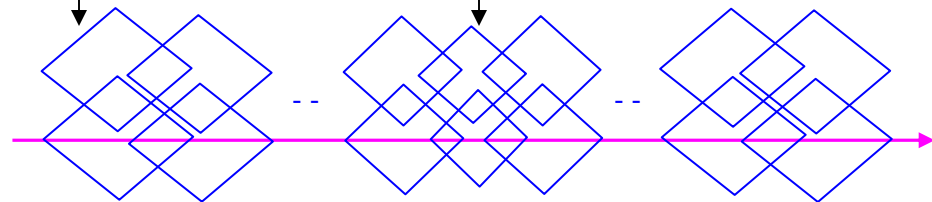
(a) MADRAS Footprints



(b) SAPHIR Footprints



(c) SCARAB Footprints



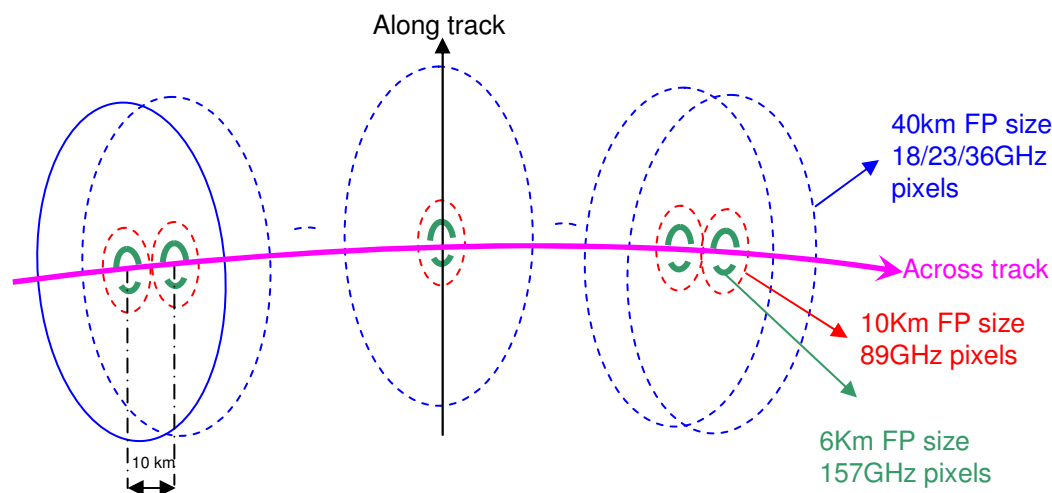




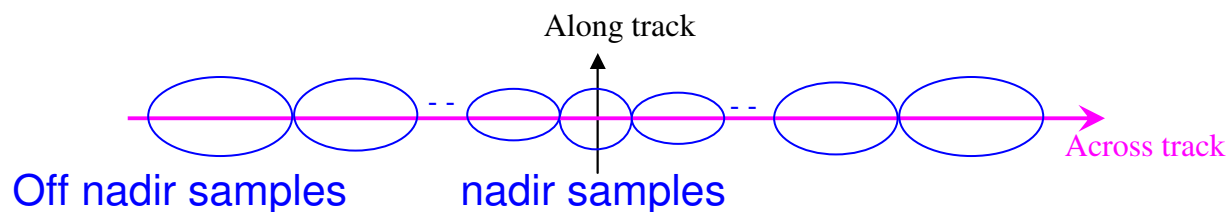
# Levels of Data Products

**Level-1A2:** It is the brightness temperature ( MADRAS & SAPHIR ) product covering the scan swath with non overlapping MADRAS 89GHz pixels for MADRAS and non overlapping SAPHIR pixels for SAPHIR sensor products respectively for all channels. Segment wise and orbit wise product are generated.

**(a) MADRAS non overlapping Pixels**

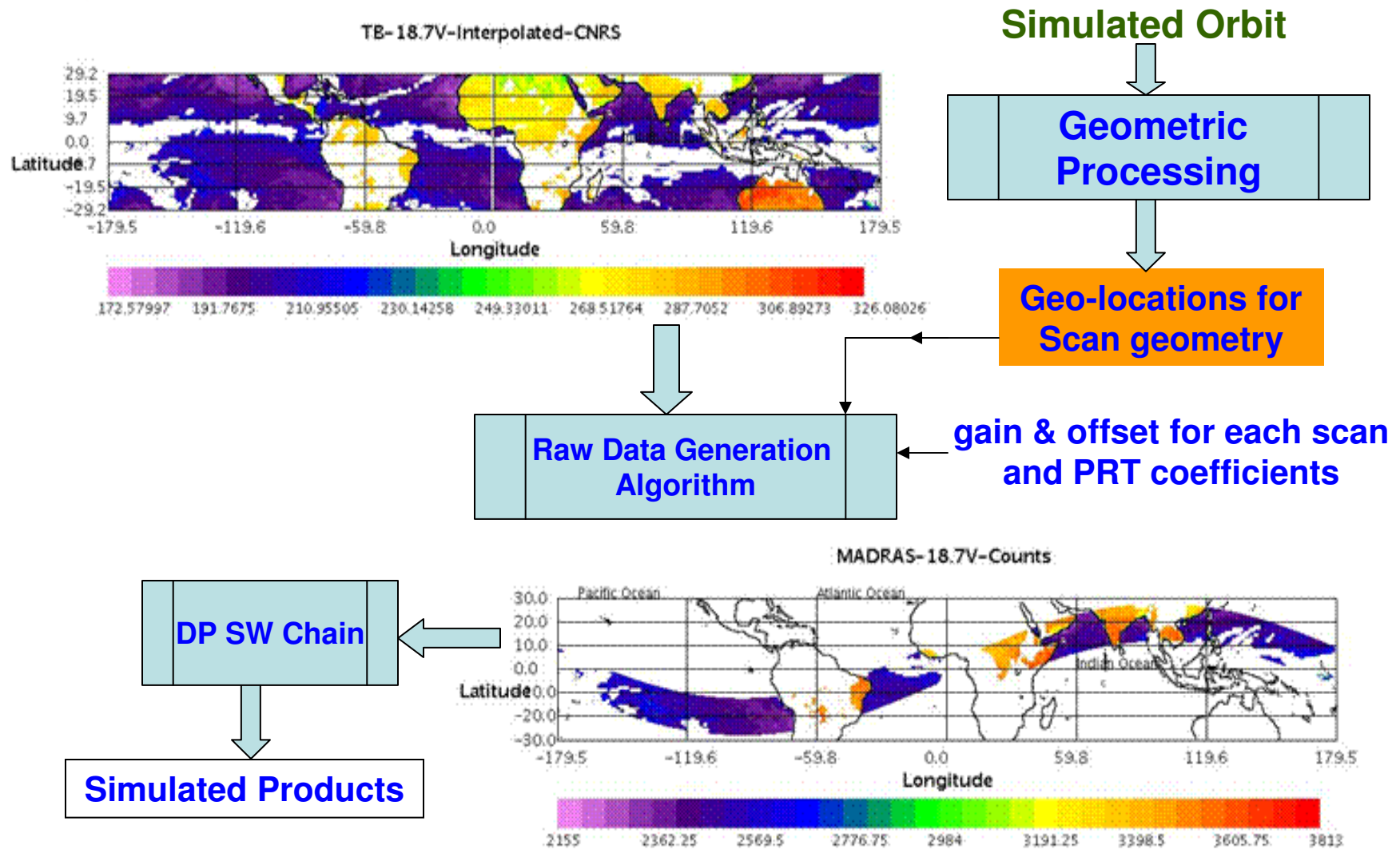


**(b) SAPHIR non overlapping Pixels**





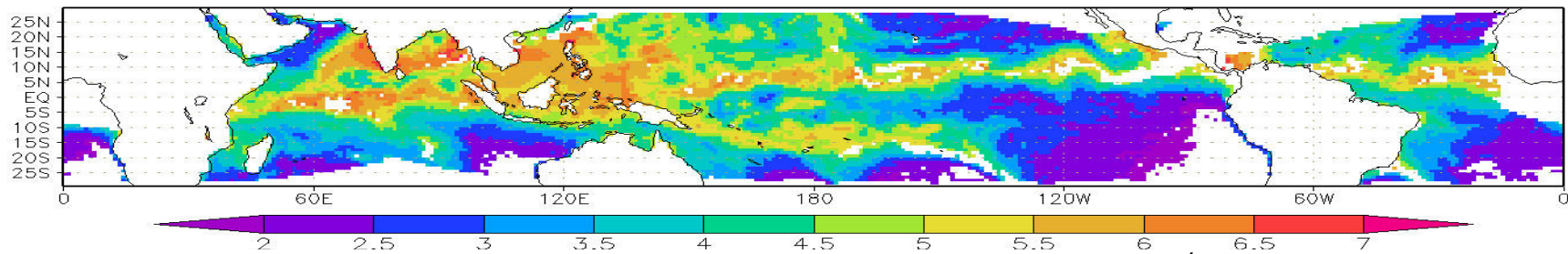
# MT Raw Data Simulation & Product Generation



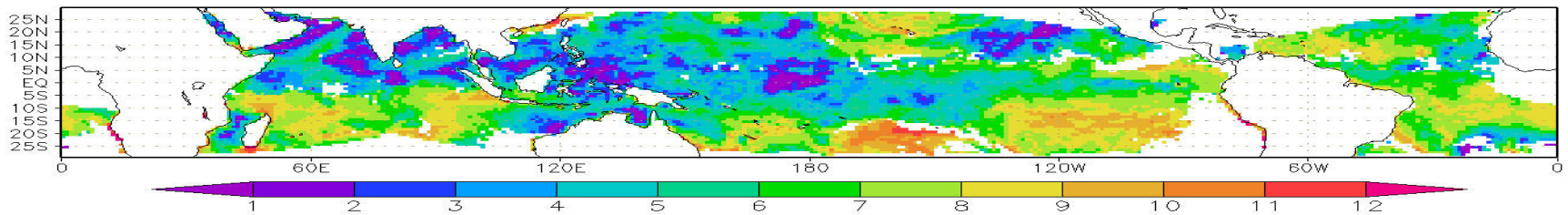


# Oceanic Geophysical Parameters from MADRAS (Oct 18, 2011)

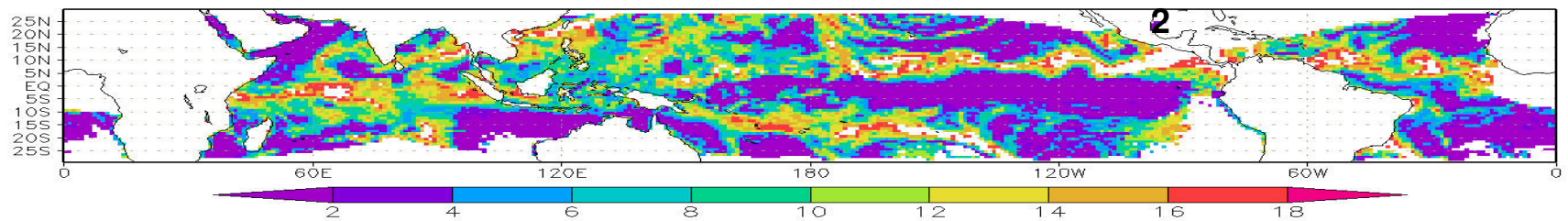
MT TPW — 18 Oct 2011 **g/cm<sup>2</sup>**



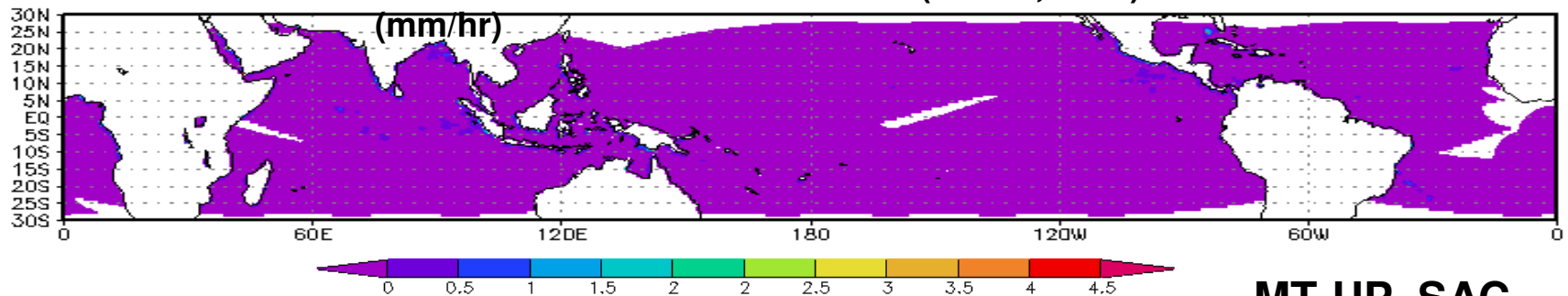
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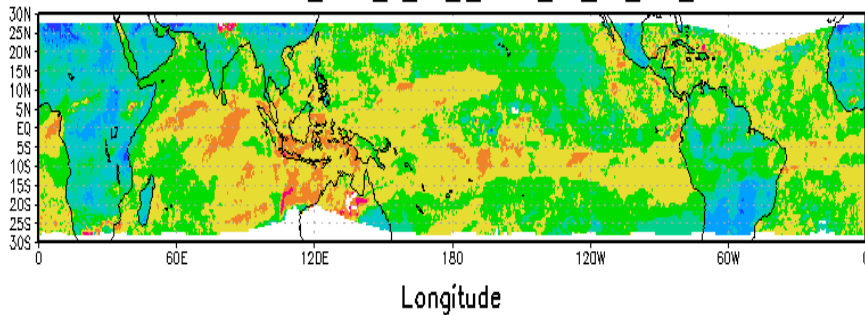
Oceanic Rain-rate from MADRAS (Oct 18, 2011)  
(mm/hr)



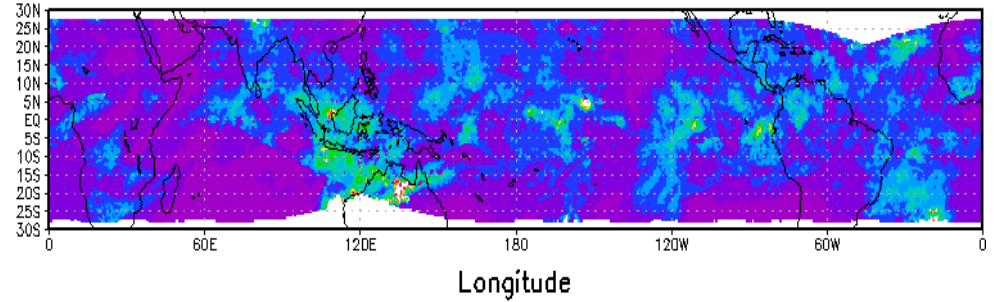
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# Day-1 Humidity Profile from SAPHIR (Oct 18, 2011)

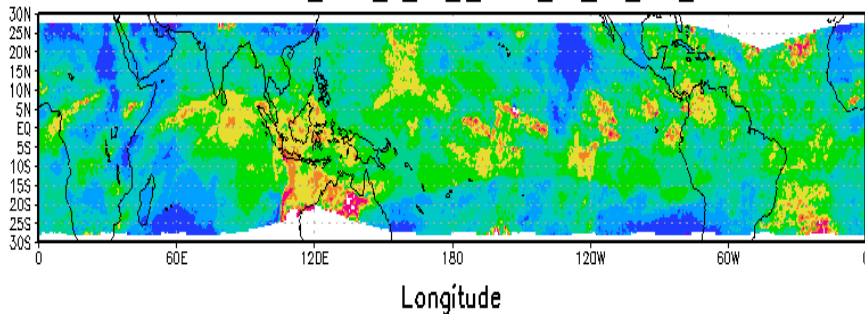
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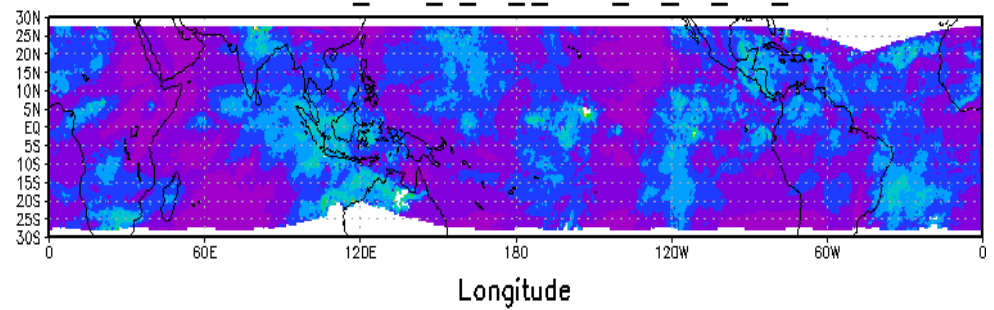
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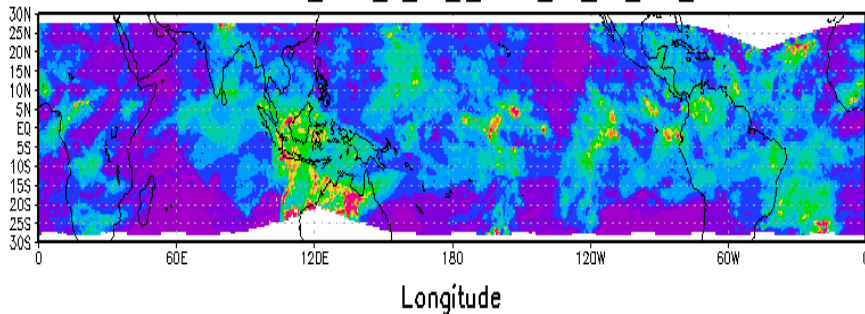
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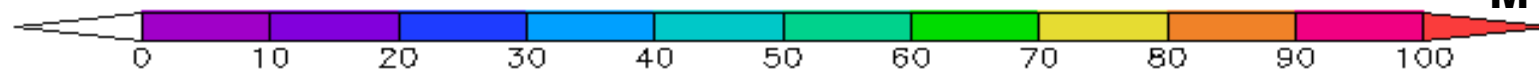
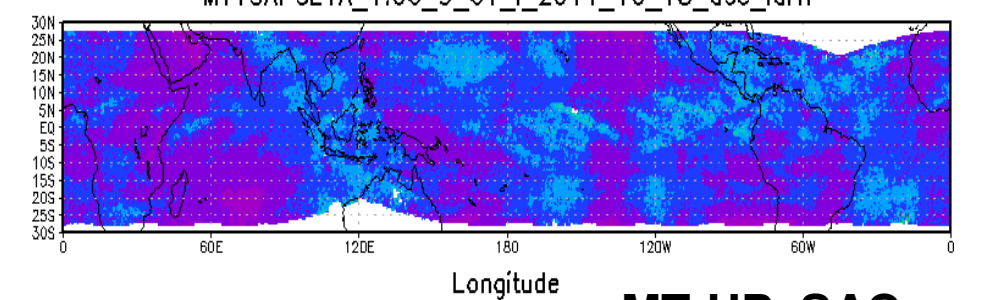
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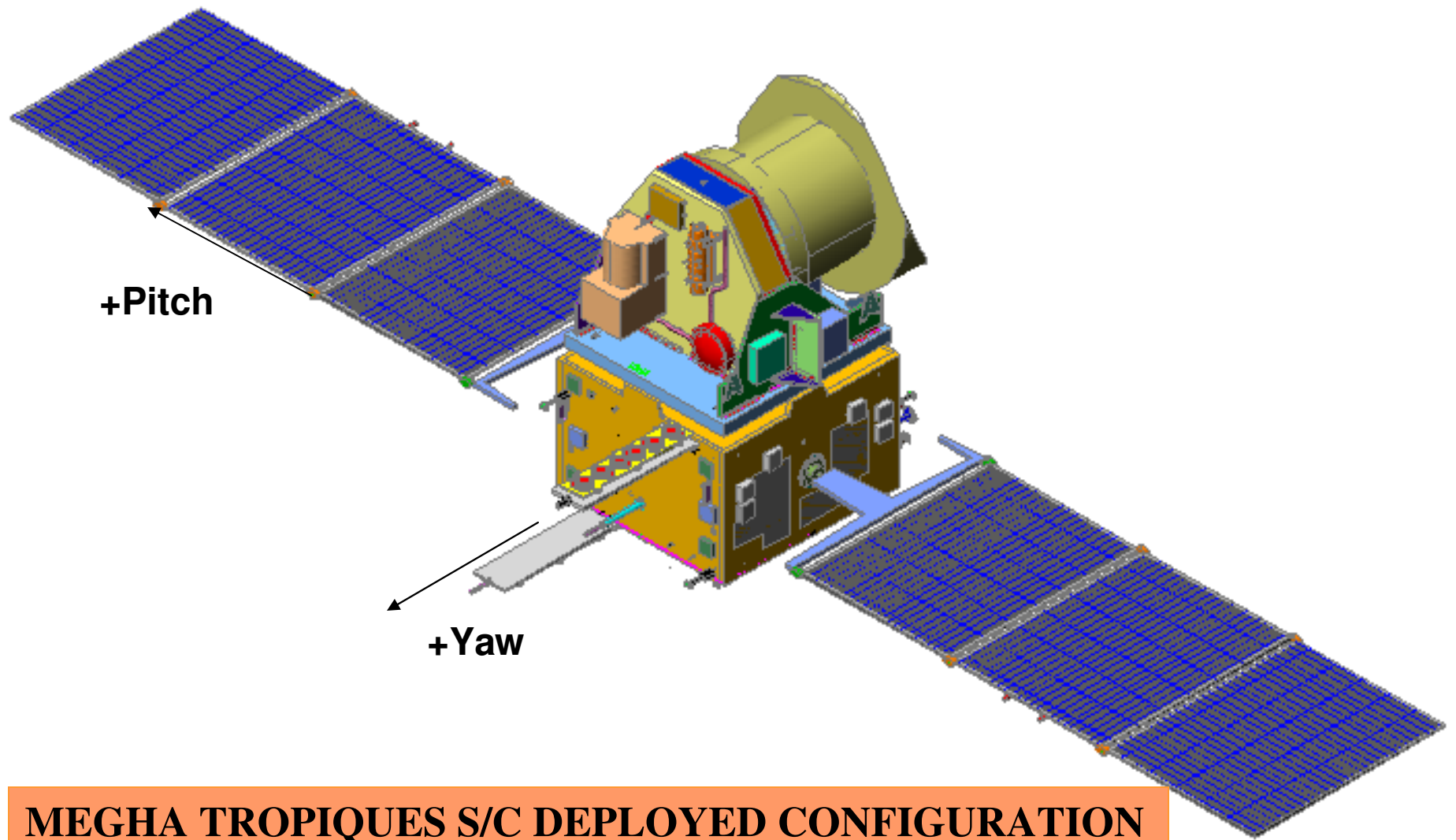


**MT-UP SAC18**  
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**MEGHA TROPIQUES S/C DEPLOYED CONFIGURATION**



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