



Ocean wind GNSS-R service, ORORO & CGRAIL Concepts

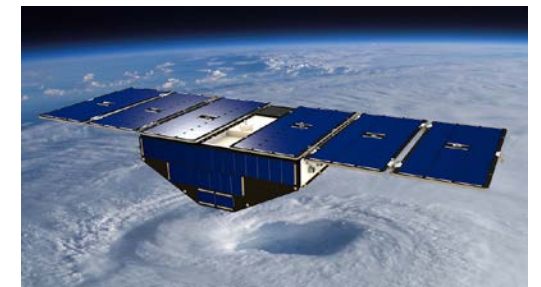
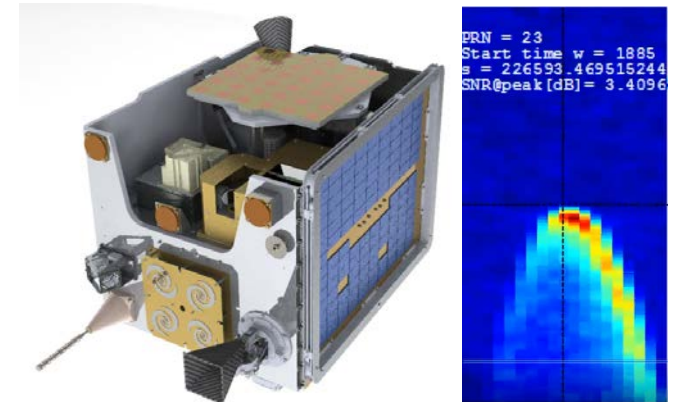
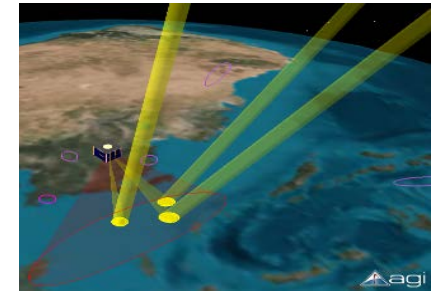
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TDS-1 & GNSS Reflectometry

- GNSS Reflectometry uses reflected GNSS signals to measure geophysical parameters
- UK TechDemoSat-1 (TDS-1) launched 2014
 - Carrying SGR-ReSI Instrument, sponsored by CEOI and ESA
 - Collects GPS Delay Doppler Maps (DDMs) over ocean, land and ice surfaces
 - SSTL's partner NOC derived inversion into ocean wind speed
- SSTL's instrument provided as payload to NASA CYGNSS mission
- Two posters
 - TDS-1 Ocean Wind Demonstration / ORORO
 - CGRAIL – Coherent GNSS-R concept



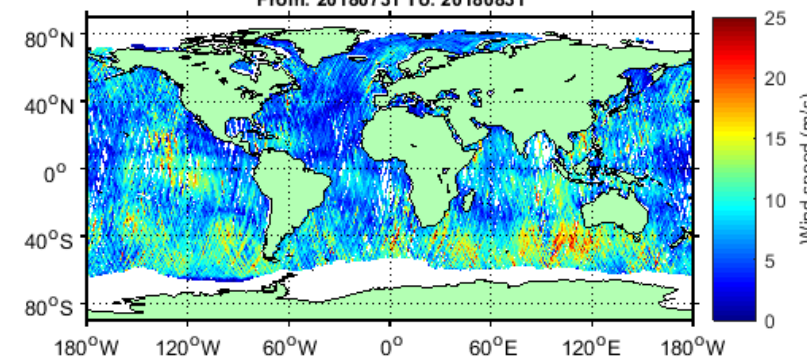
TDS-1 Data via MERRByS

- ESA-funding allowed SSTL & NOC to pilot data service
- DDMs and ocean winds provided to user via website
- www.merrbys.co.uk
- More than 180 password holders
- In 2017, TDS-1 life extended
- Now gathering data 24/7



L2.FDI Windspeed

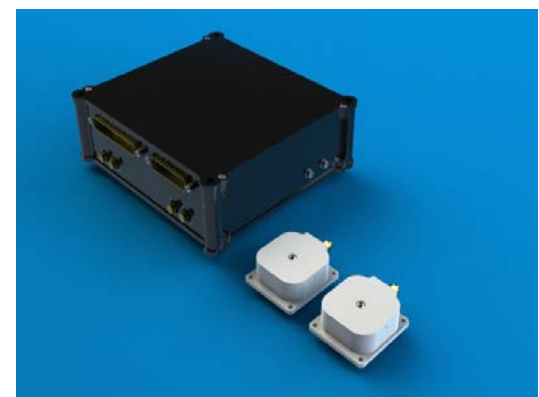
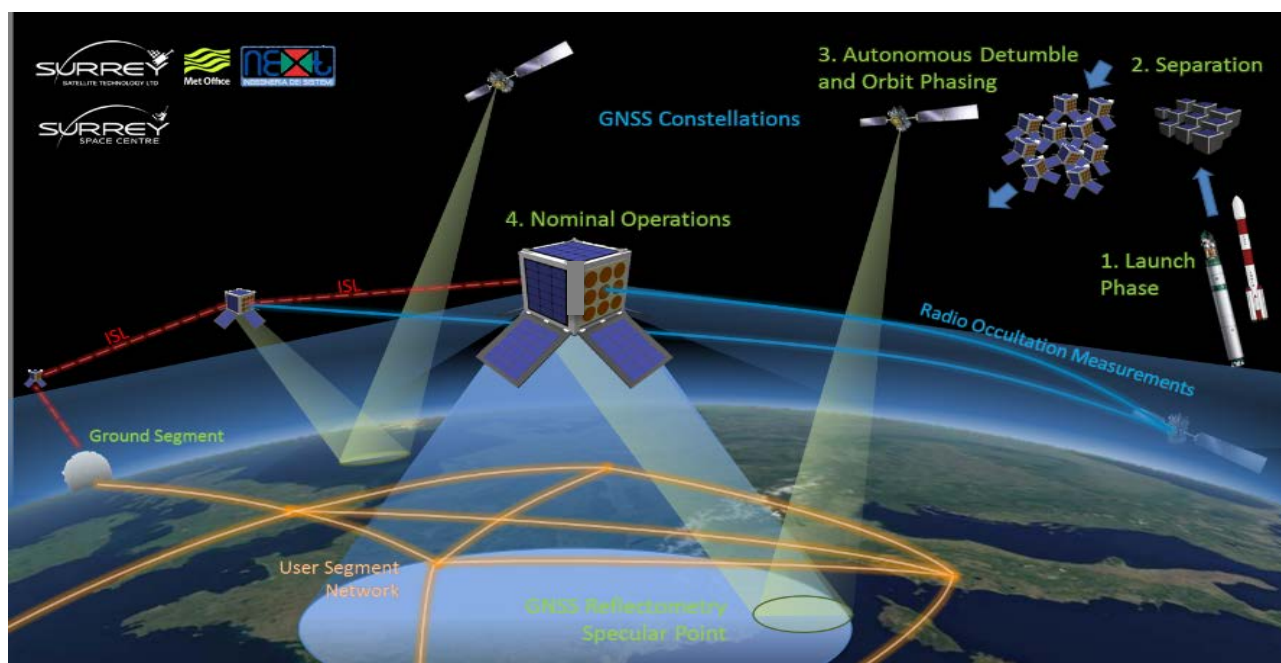
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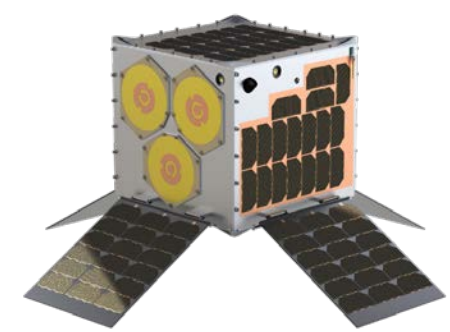
ORORO - Ocean Reflectometry & Radio Occultation

- Combined complementary weather measurements into single GNSS remote sensing instrument
- Constellation of small satellites

Upgrade of GNSS Reflectometry instrument



Dedicated small satellite

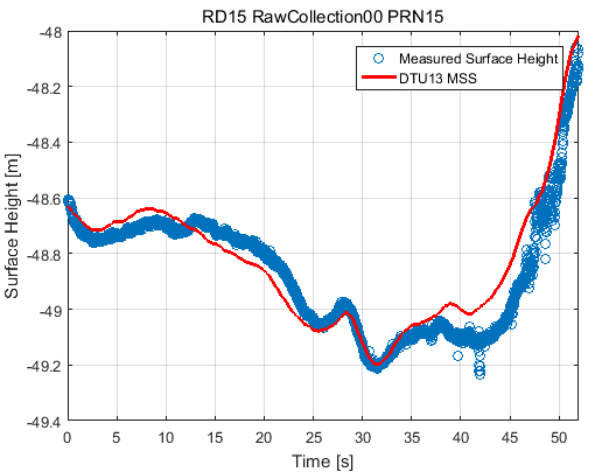


- Study indicated high impact on NWP from larger number of RO measurements.

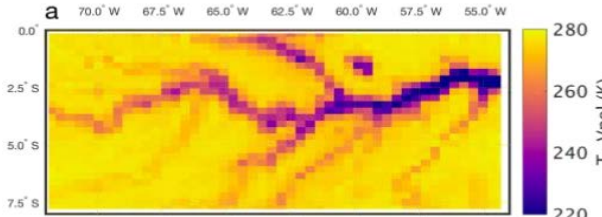
CGRAIL - Coherent GNSS Altimetry Ice & Land

- TDS-1 is collecting GNSS-R incoherently due to rough ocean
- Indications are that very strong coherent signals reflect off ice and land
- IEEC coherently processed river ice reflections, agreed with SSH to **3 cm**
 - Ice thickness may be measurable
- CYGNSS reflections off rivers penetrate forest canopy, gets additional information to SMAP
 - Also high resolution soil moisture
- CGRAIL - small satellite demonstrator for coherent GNSS measurement
 - Explore potential of measurements

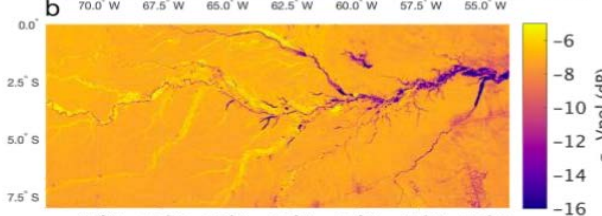
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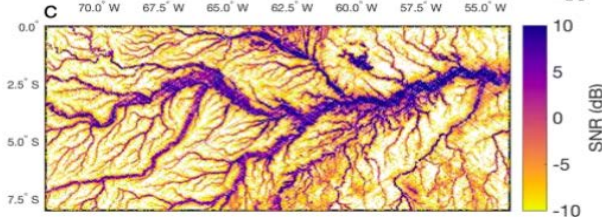
SMAP Passive



SMAP Active



CYGNSS SNR



(Amazon basin, courtesy Clara Chew, UCAR)



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