





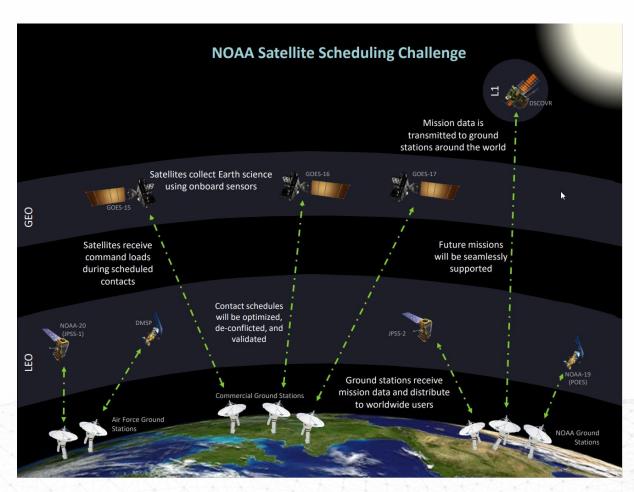
Multiple ground and space assets to schedule

NOAA and partner spacecraft

- NASA
- •International Partners
- •DoD
- •Spacecraft across multiple orbital regimes

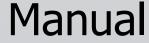
NOAA and partner antenna networks

- NOAA and NASA ground stations
- •NEN
- •DSN
- •AFSCN
- Commercial antenna networks (e.g. KSAT)
- •TDRSS (space relay)
- Extensible to support future missions, networks, and scheduling requirements
- Desire to move NOAA away from multiple parallel stove-piped systems to a single integrated enterprise solution



# Legacy Approach





Development of schedules

Deconfliction

Validation

# Stovepiped

Each mission plans independently

Expensive to maintain multiple systems

# Old

Manual file exchange

Sneakernet and floppy disks

## Slow

Multi-hour scheduling

Multi-day planning coordination





## Landsat 8/9

• STK Scheduler for contact scheduling (TDRSS and ground networks)

## BridgeComm

Laser communication scheduling

• STK Pro, STK Scheduler, Scheduler Online

## SDA Tranche 2 Tracking Layer

- Collection Planning plus Contact Scheduling
- Space-to-ground, ground-to-space, and space-to-space communication

## Commercial Constellation

• Integrated scheduling of multiple commercial communication networks

## **AFSCN**

• STK Scheduler for AFSCN load forecasting and ground network performance analysis



# Enterprise Automated Scheduling Implementation (EASI)

#### Based on COTS Software Products

- STK Scheduler core scheduling engine and web application
- STK Pro flight dynamics computations
- SpyMeSat Mobile App

#### Flexibility and Extensibility

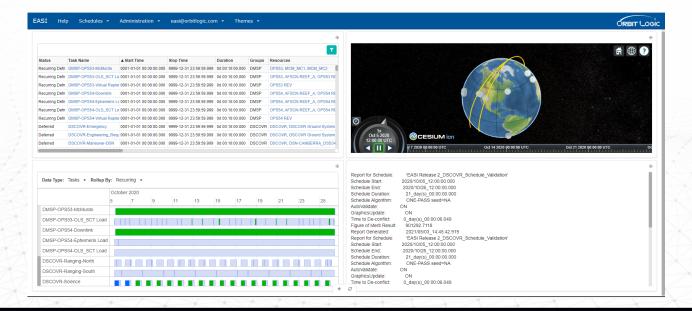
- Any type of task
- Any type of resource
- No software development needed for new satellites, ground stations, physical constraints
- Controlled web access management

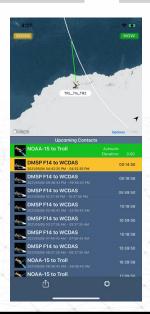
#### Enterprise Level Solution

- Single application for all missions
- Cross-mission deconfliction
- Automation
- Modernized interfaces
- Web
- Mobile
- API

# Configuration and plugins provided to the government

- Custom inputs, outputs, and schedule constraint values
- Uses standard COTS API's









## Login

- Standard web browser
- Authorized user with administrator specified permissions, data sets, and view modes

Import Orbit Data Review schedule constraints

Update availability information

• Import data from antenna network

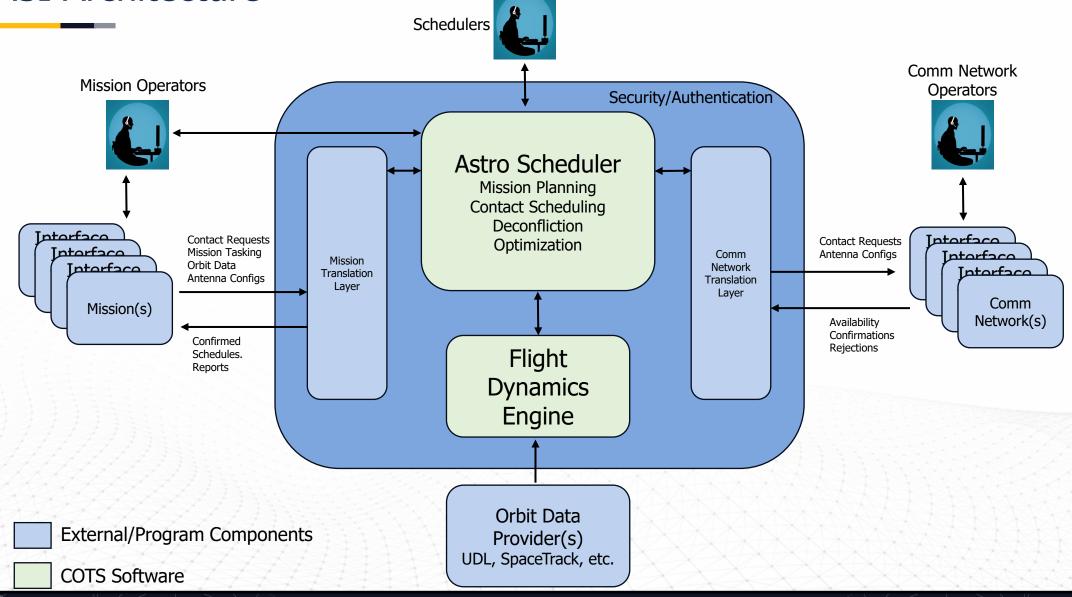
Generate deconflicted schedule

Output schedule report

 Custom reports for comm network and satellite operations



## **EASI** Architecture





## **EASI** Roadmap

# Started in August 2020

- Generated requirements
- Demos to mission teams
- Release 1: Scheduler Desktop and DSCOVR in December 2020
- Release 2: Scheduler Online added GOES and DMSP, March 2021
- Release 3: JPSS, mobile app, enterprise functionality, June 2021
- Release 4: Inbound workflow automation, RFI, November 2021
- Release 5:Outbound workflow automation, CAC, February 2022
- Release 6:Email workflow, KSAT integration, May 2022
- ...
- Replace JPSS MM scheduling
- USSF FAS support
- Containerization
- Optimized scheduling to reduce Radio Frequency Interference
- Transition to operations

# Moving forward

- Mission improvements
- Increased enterprise functionality and automation





## **Make EASI easier**

Broaden to include more of the ecosystem/cloud

Integrate more government and commercial communication networks

More detailed monitor and control of antennas via TeRMS

Improve user experience

Further generalize API's

Improve cyber security

Enhance optimization

Continue ability to broker communication for any type of mission in any domain

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