

ADVANCES IN LEO SATELLITE MONITORING AND QOS FOR DIRECT TO CELL

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Make ideas real



WHO ARE WE?



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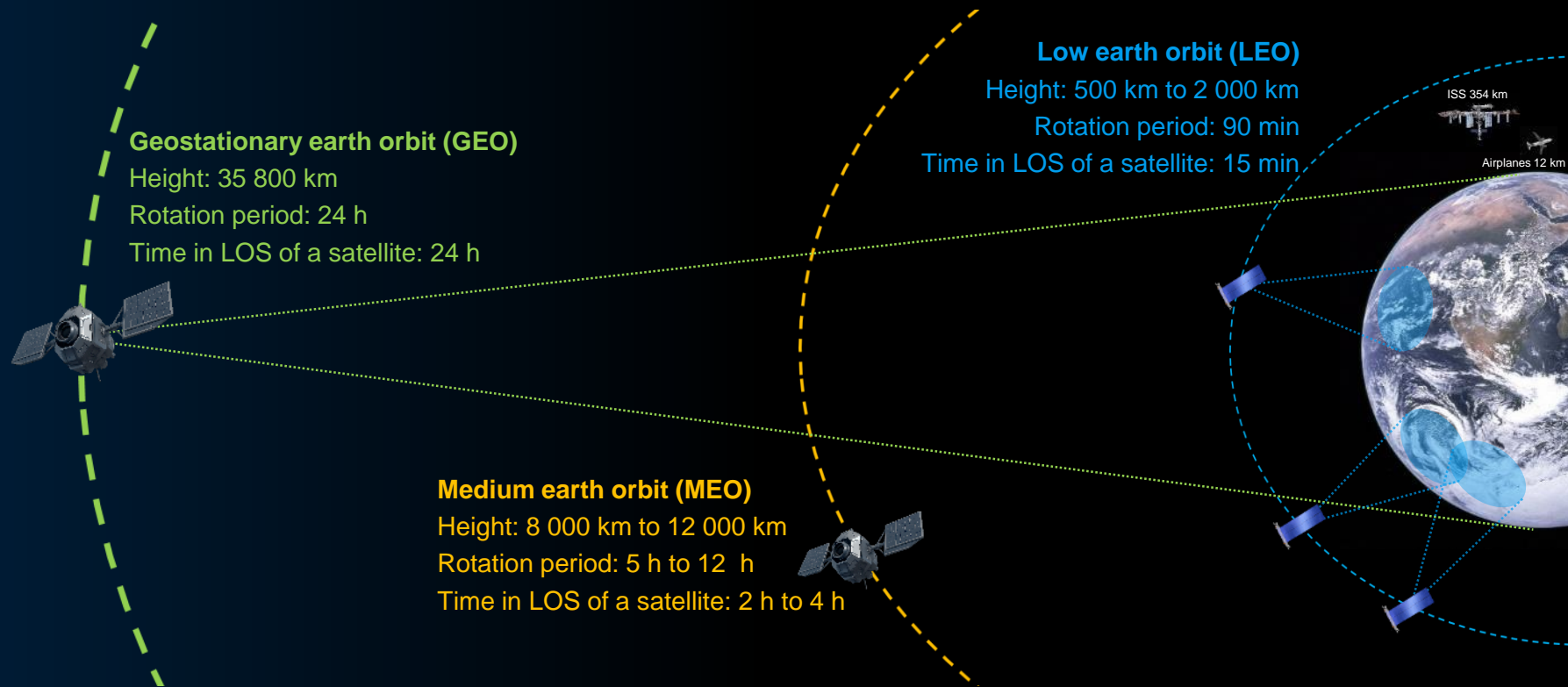
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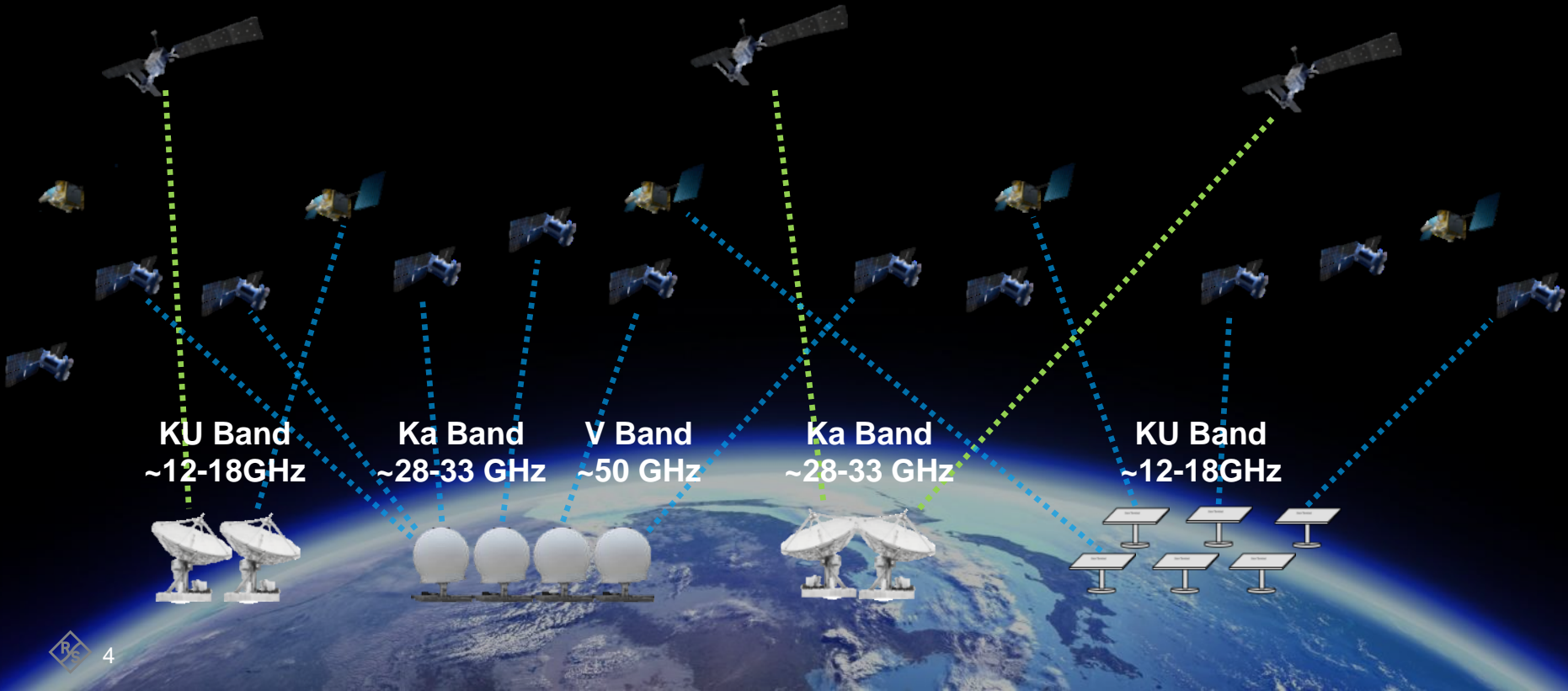
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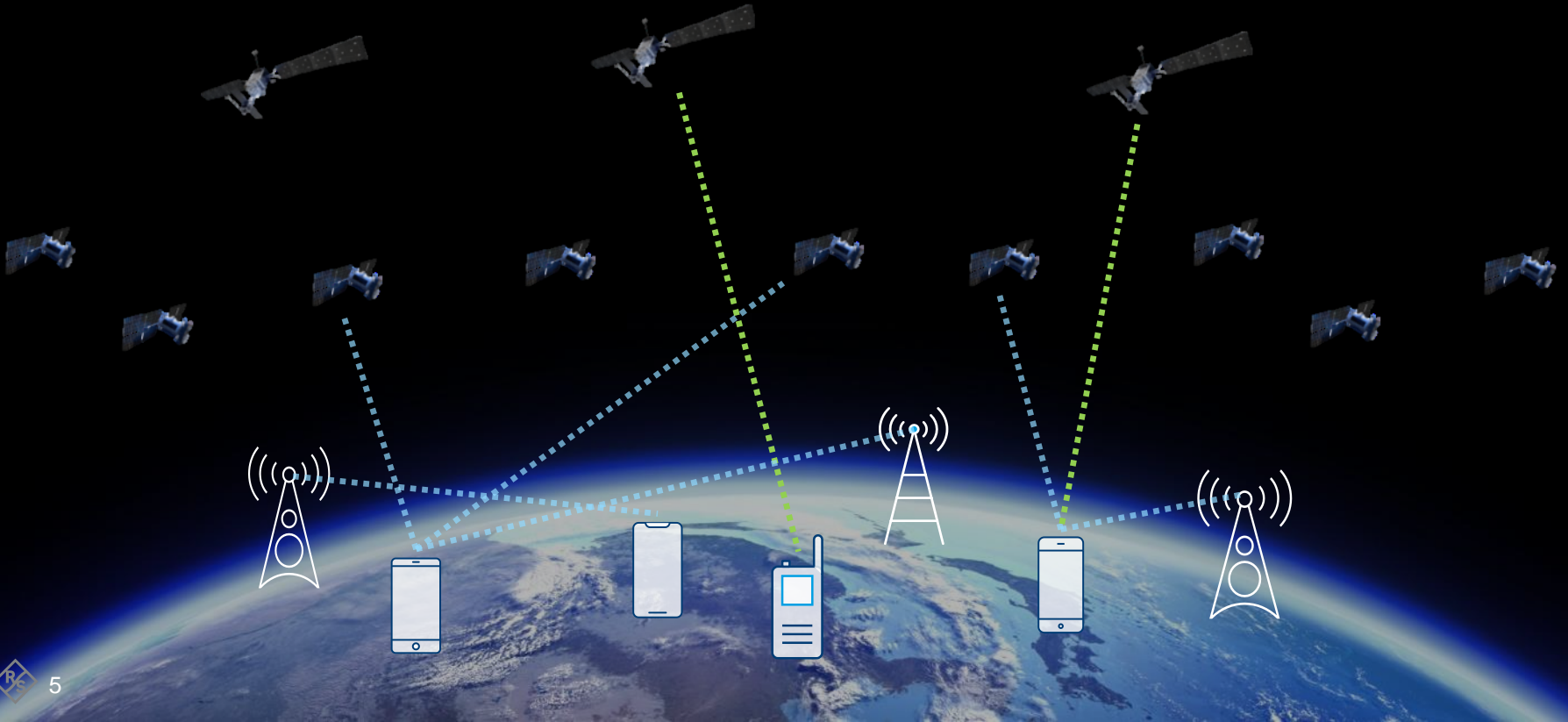
WHAT IS THE RELEVANCE OF LEO MONITORING?



SPACE IS GETTING MORE AND MORE CROWDED WITH COMPETING SYSTEMS



NON-TERRESTRIAL DIRECT TO CELL CONNECTIVITY IS GAINING RELEVANCE



CASE STUDY: TERRESTRIAL INTERFERENCE HUNTING OF STARLINK TERMINALS



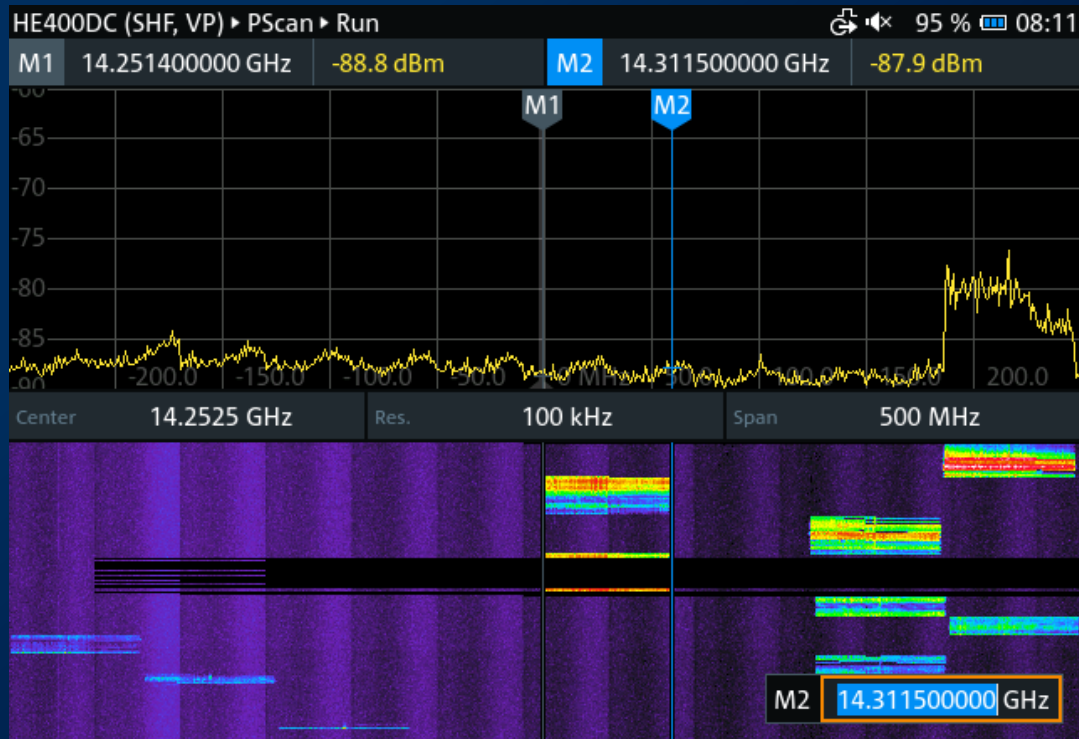
Uplink channel with 60 MHz BW, “hopping” on fixed frequencies



Homing in with PR200 and HE400DC on one uplink channel



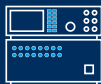
Direct LoS recommended for most reliable signal reception



PROOF OF CONCEPT: GROUND-BASED MONITORING OF LEO SATELLITES



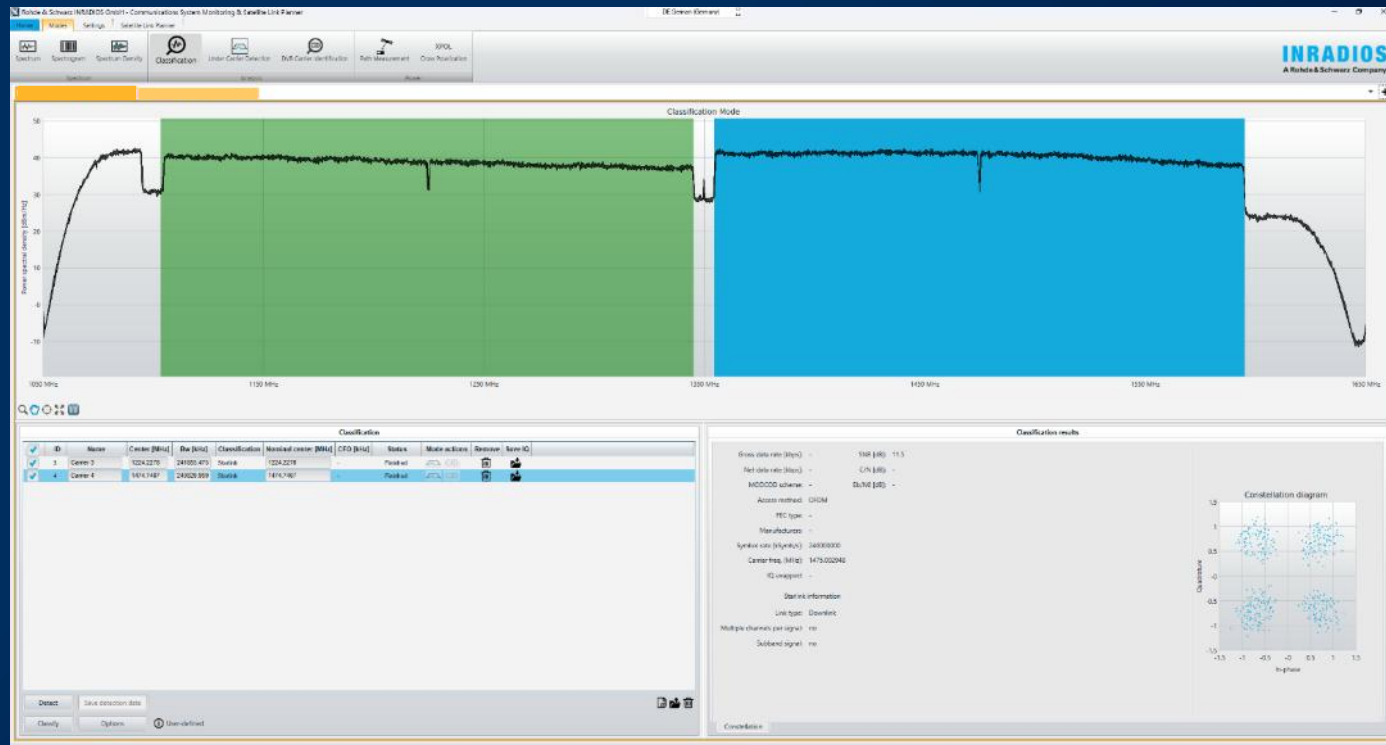
Phased-array antenna and automatic controlled parabolic antenna



High-quality receivers with multi-purpose platform usability



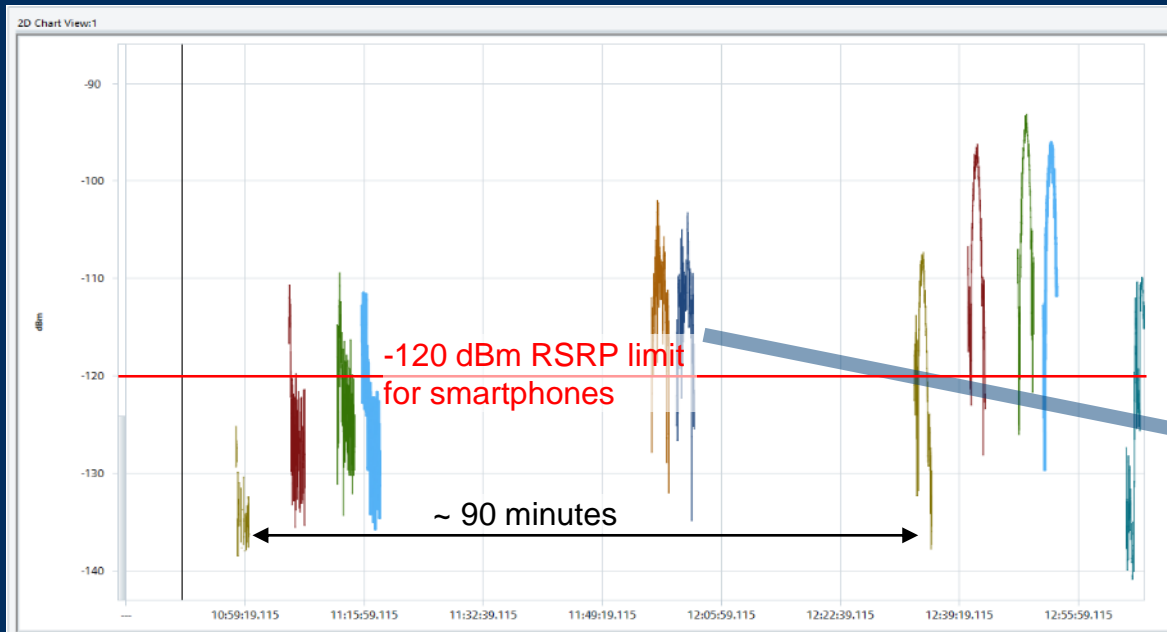
Satcom & spectrum monitoring software including LEO downlink classifiers



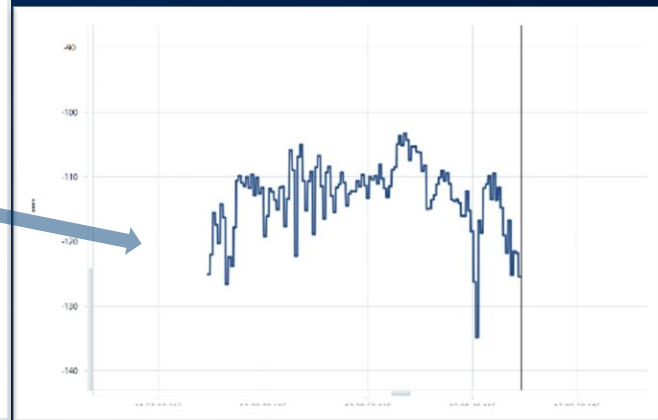
CASE STUDY: COVERAGE MEASUREMENT OF LEO NTN LTE SIGNAL

Status End of 2023
(Seattle / WA)

Scanner measurements of a LEO satellite network transmitting a standard LTE signal



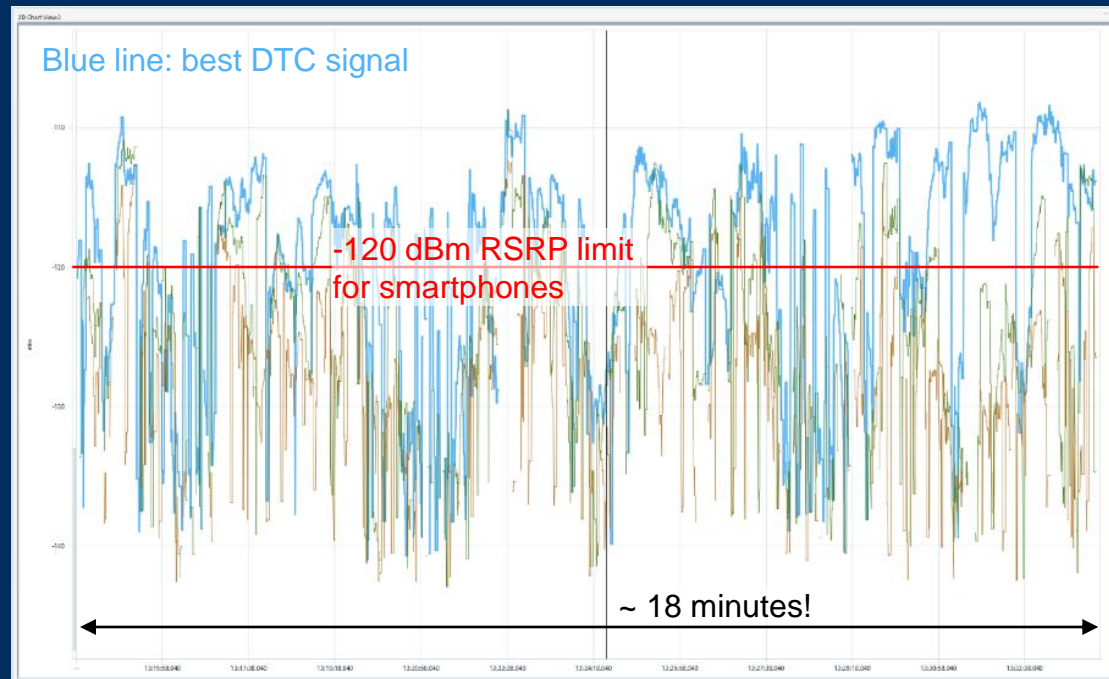
Satellite visible for 2min 30sec



CASE STUDY: COVERAGE MEASUREMENT OF LEO NTN LTE SIGNAL

Status April 2025
(Montana / US)

Scanner measurements of a LEO satellite network transmitting a standard LTE signal



- ▶ > 100 LEO satellites received (could not be visualized)
 - ▶ Best 3 DTC signals visible (always different satellites)
 - ▶ Coverage for a significant time
- ▶ On the path to ubiquitous coverage

THANK YOU!

