

# La science des météores

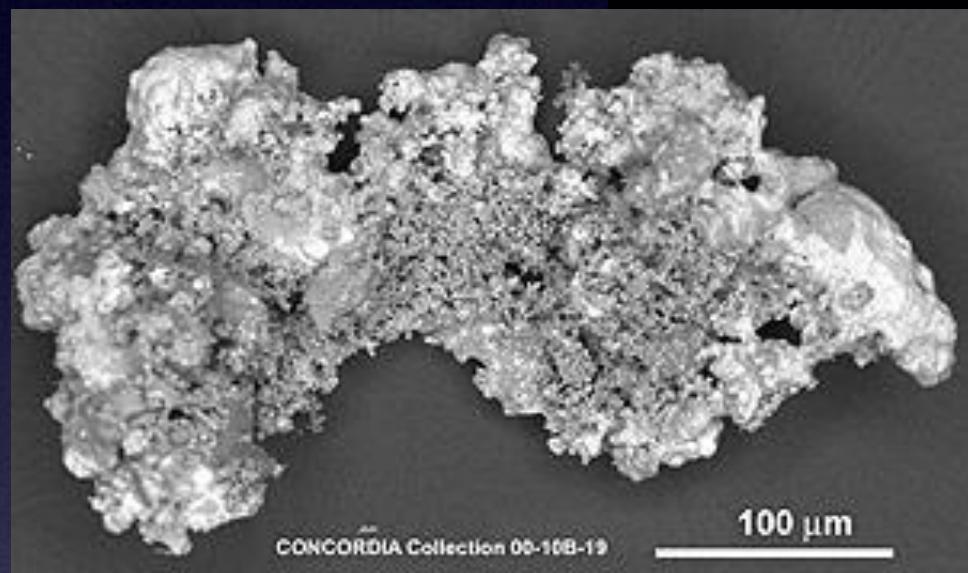
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# Outline

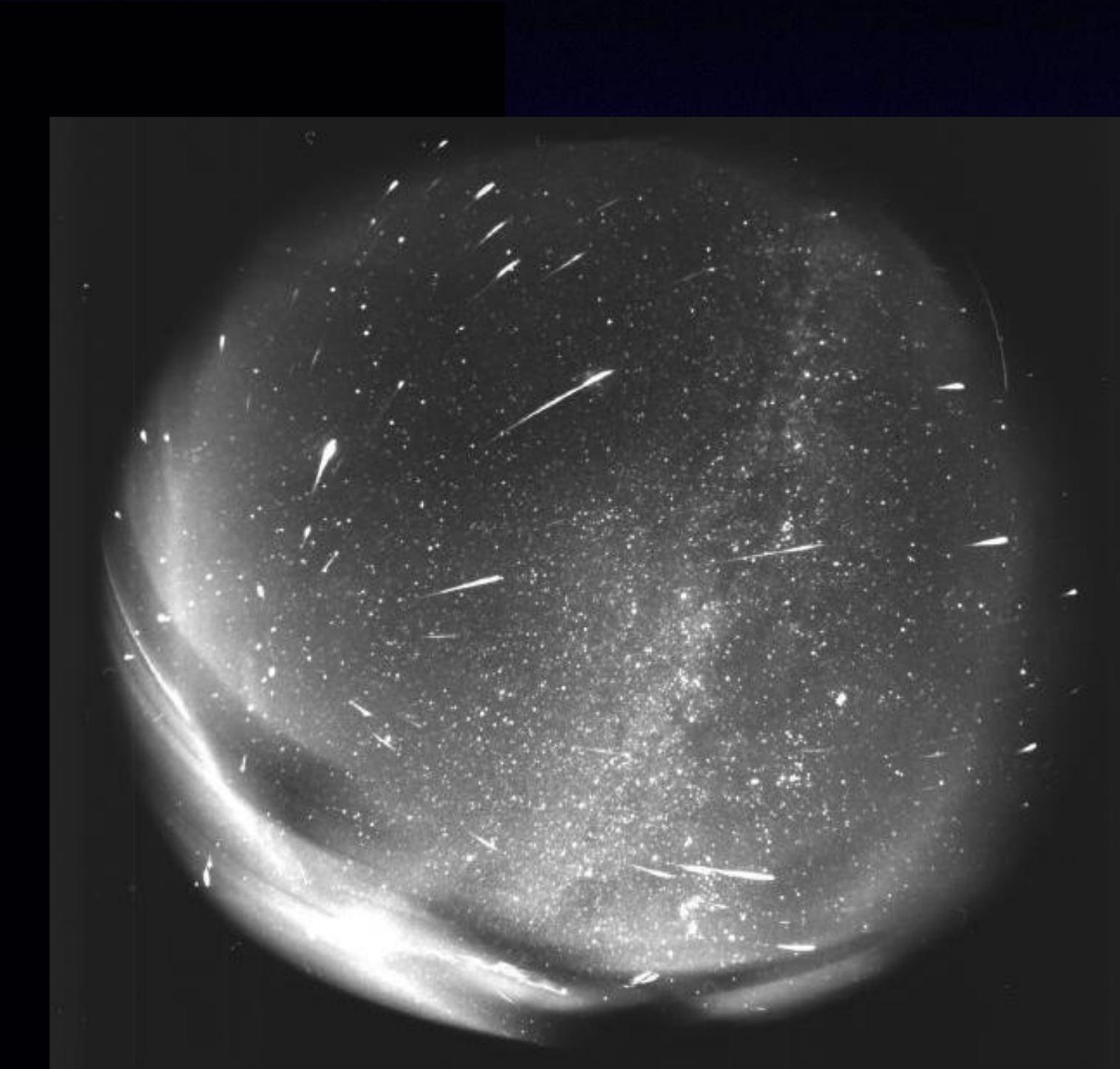
- Introduction to meteors
- Observation of meteors
- The FRIPON project

# 1. Introduction to meteors

# Meteoroids



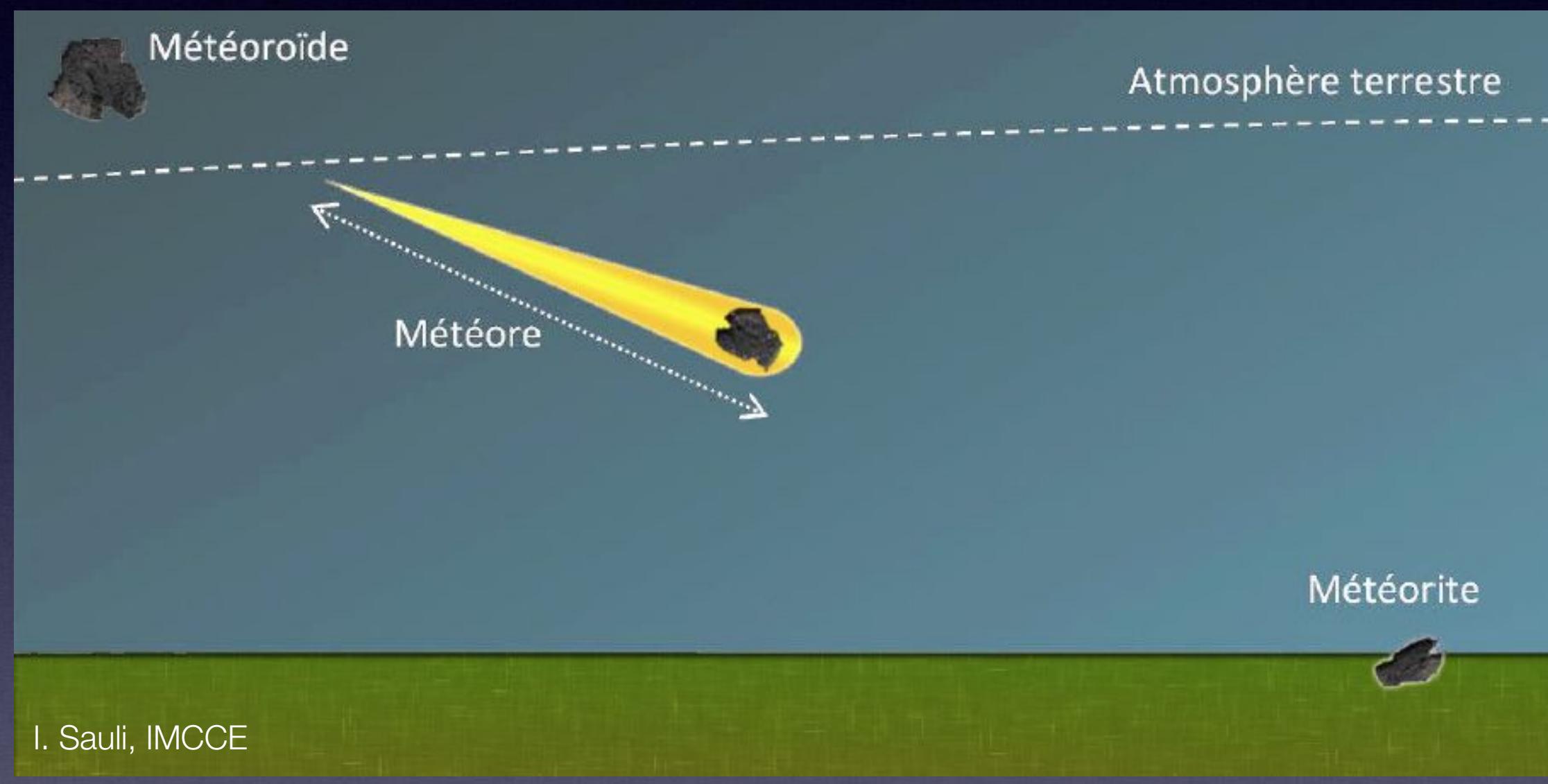
Micrometeorite collected at Concordia,  
Antarctica, CSNSM IN2P3-CNRS



J. Toth, Modra Obs, Slovakia

Imagery from  
OSIRIS-REx SamCam

# Meteors



Perseid 2008

# In-lab meteor

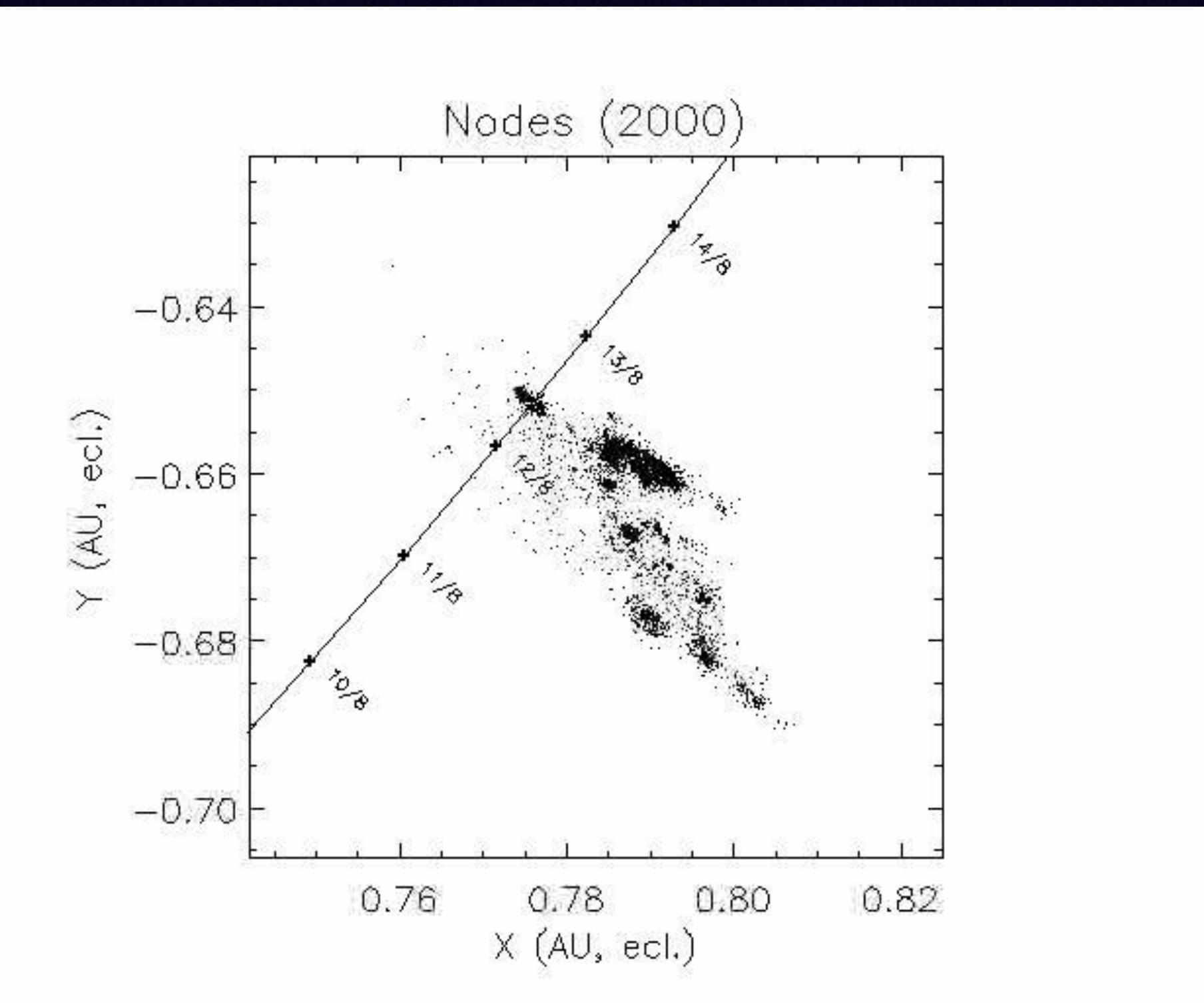
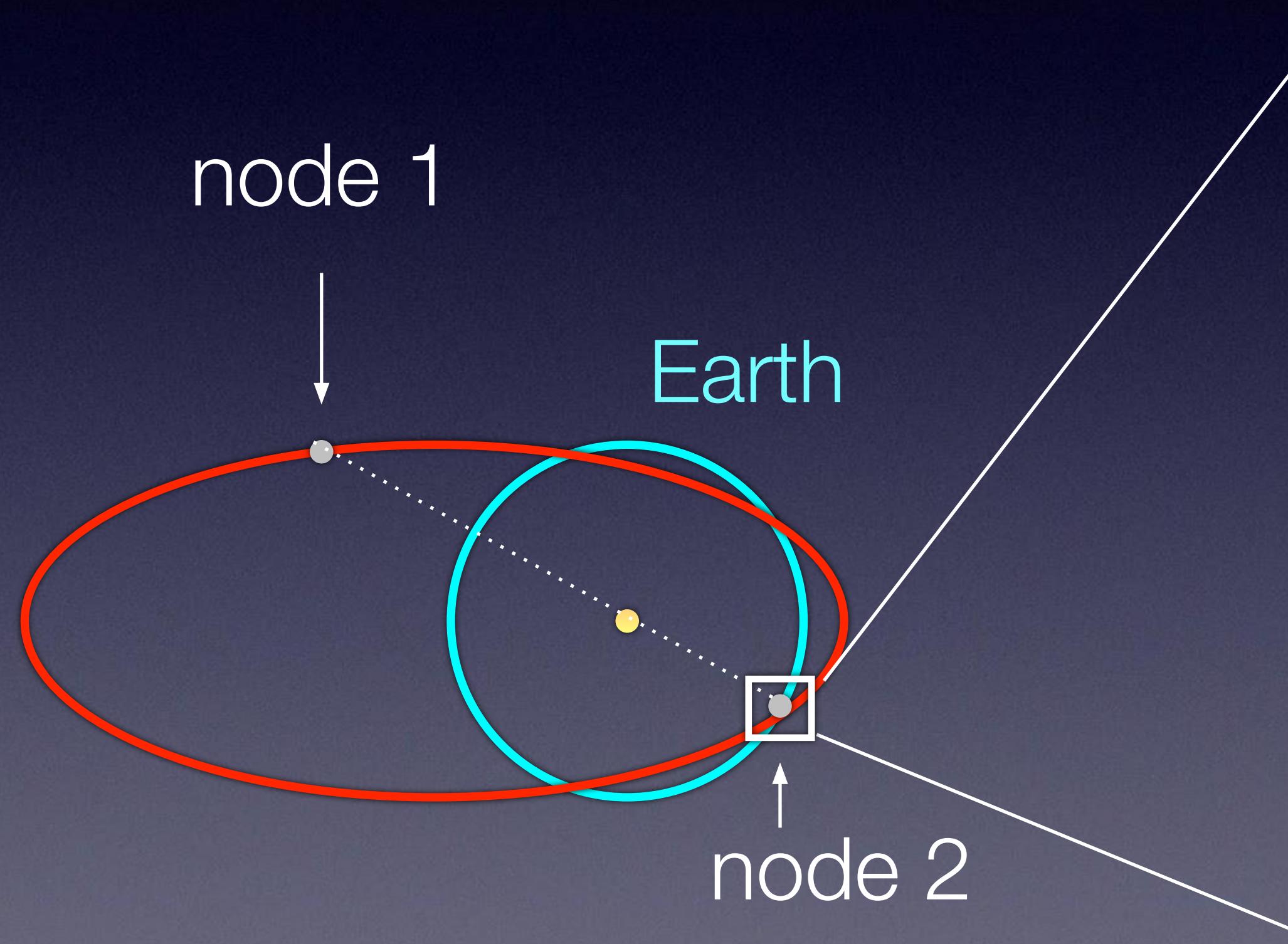
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Murchison (CM2)  
Hefdig, IRS, U. Stuttgart, Germany

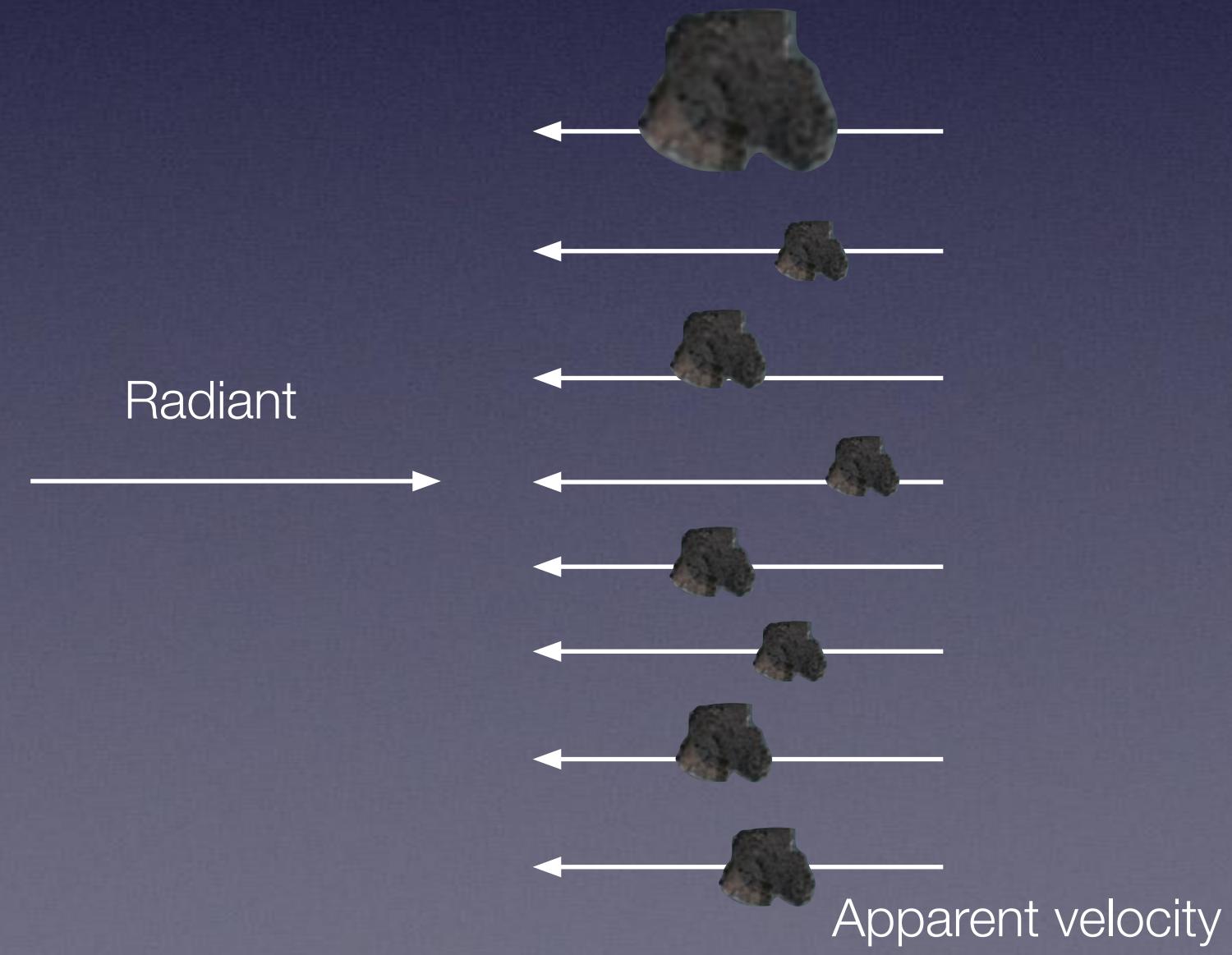
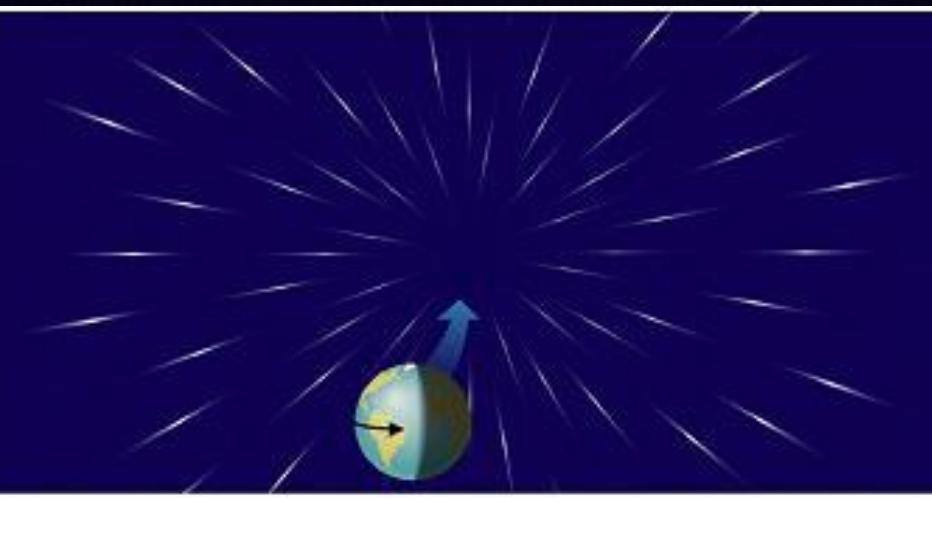
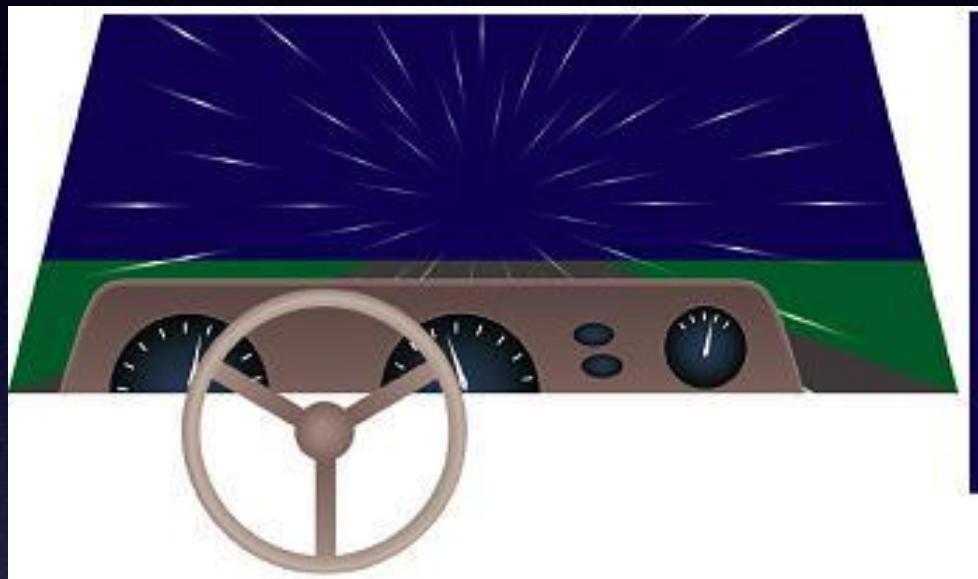


# Principle of a meteor shower



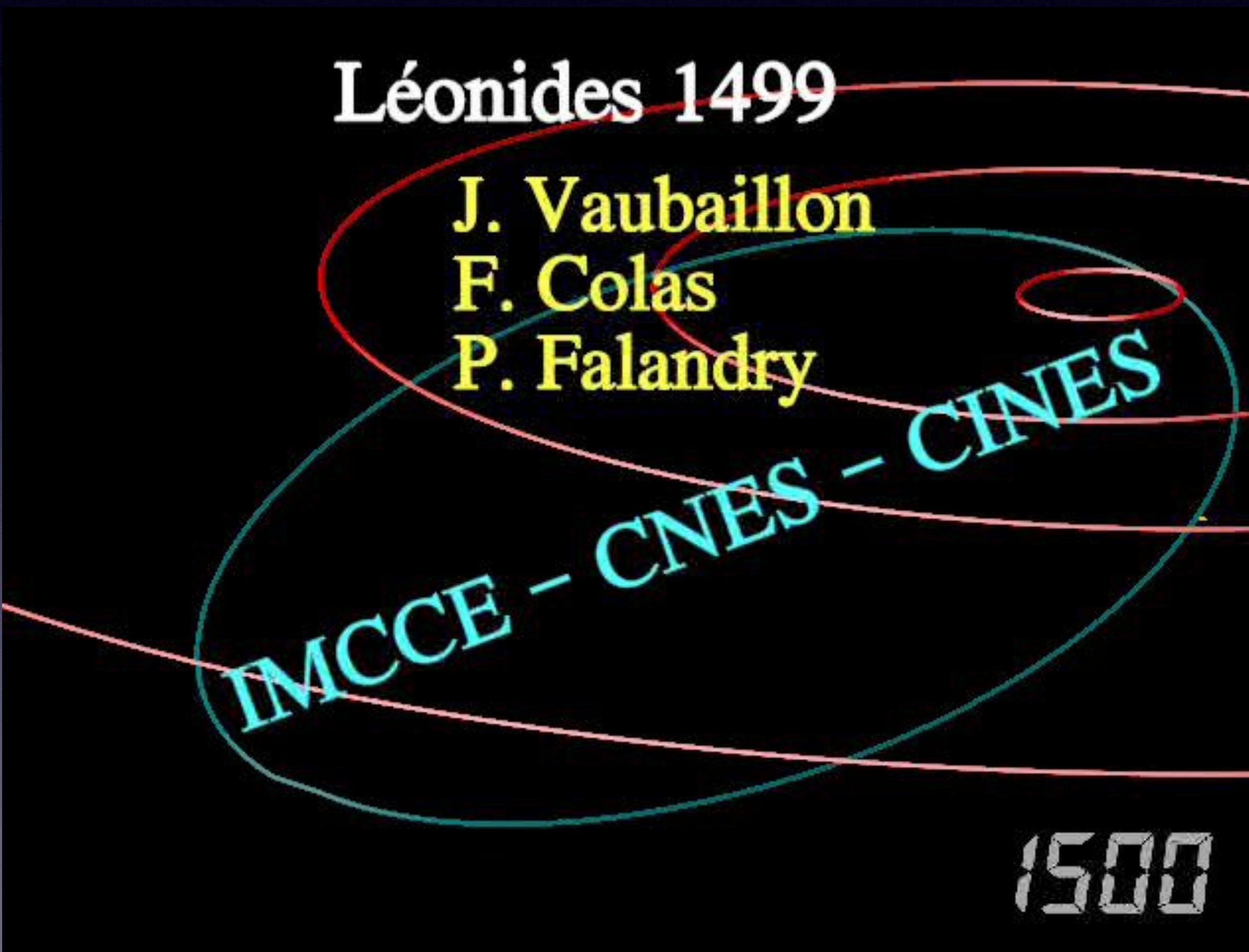
Perseids

# Meteoroid stream and Meteor showers

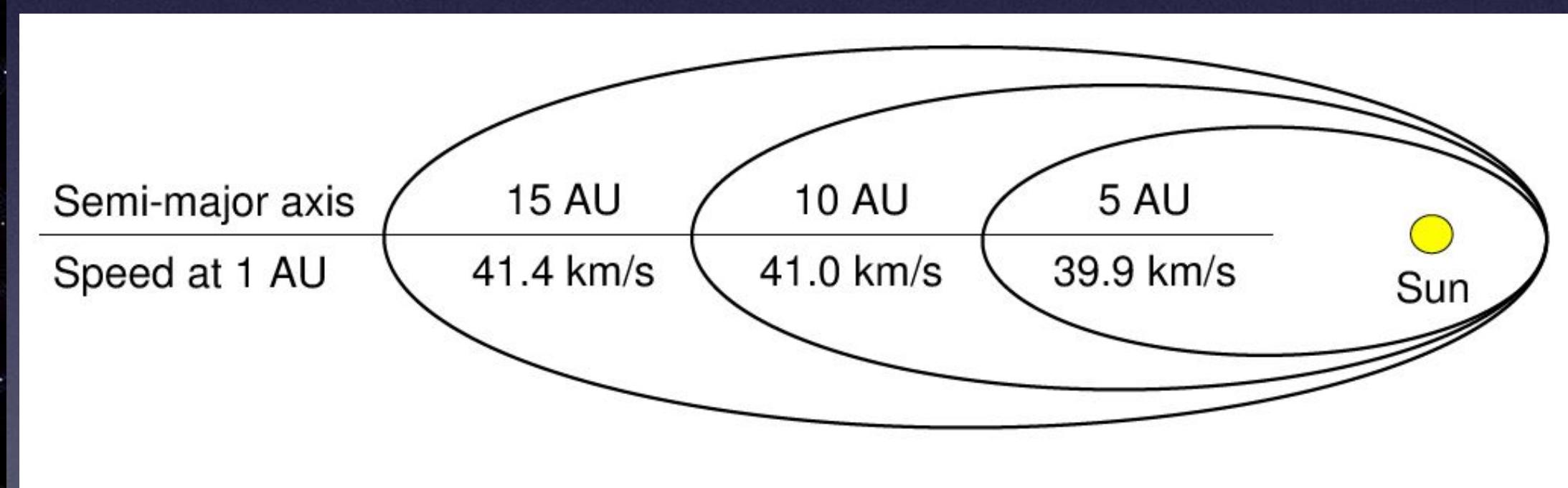
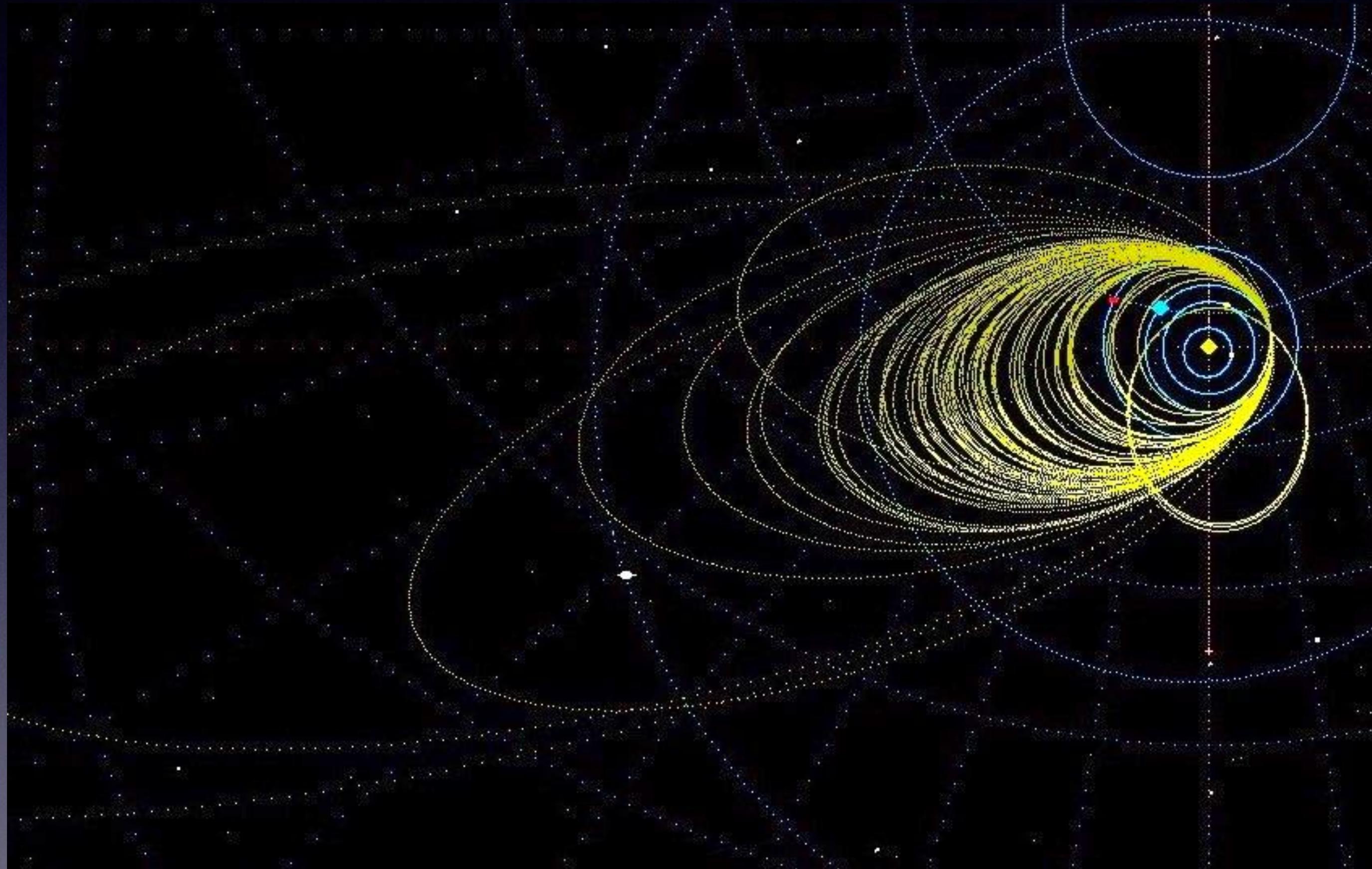


Yong Beom Jeon (2001 Leonids)

# Prediction of meteor showers



# The challenge of meteoroid orbit measurement

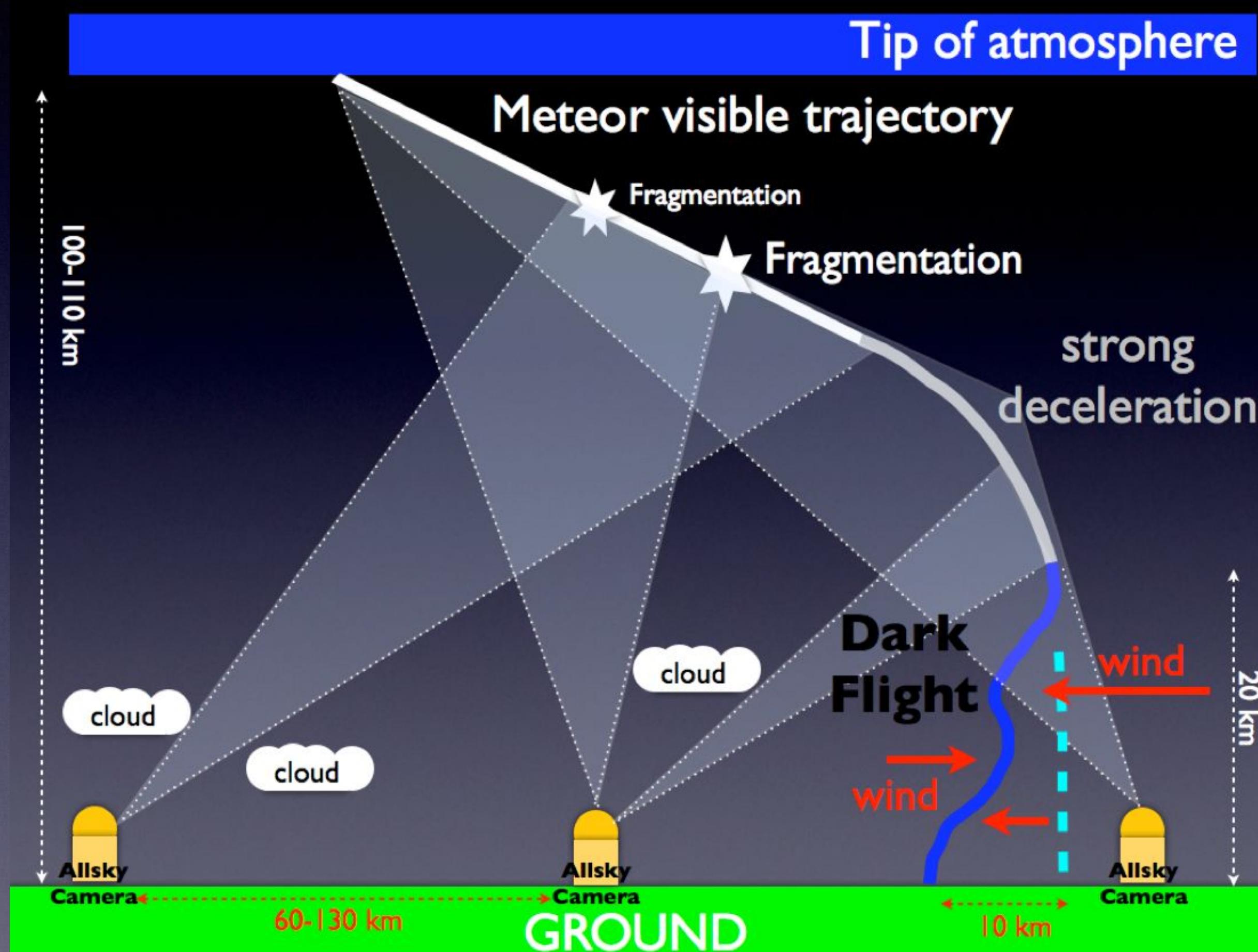


from Barentsen 2009

A. Leroy, DRA2011 Data acquired and  
process with UFOCapture suite

## 2. Observation of meteors

# Principle: triangulation



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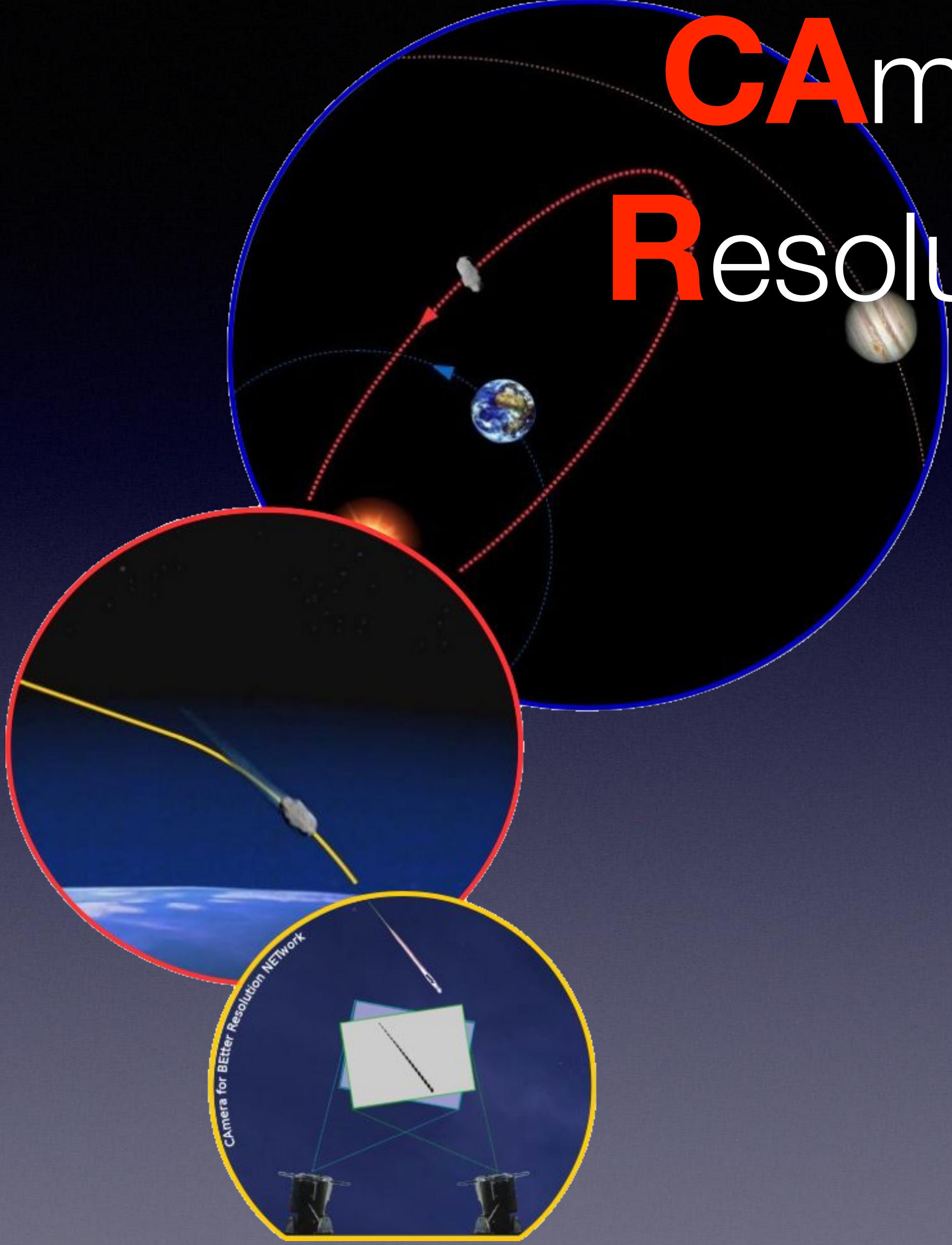
# What do we learn from meteor observations?

- **Number** Measures of meteors ZHR =  
 $f(t)$
- **Orbit**
- Dispersion of **orbits**
- Light curve + **trajectory**
- Spectrum

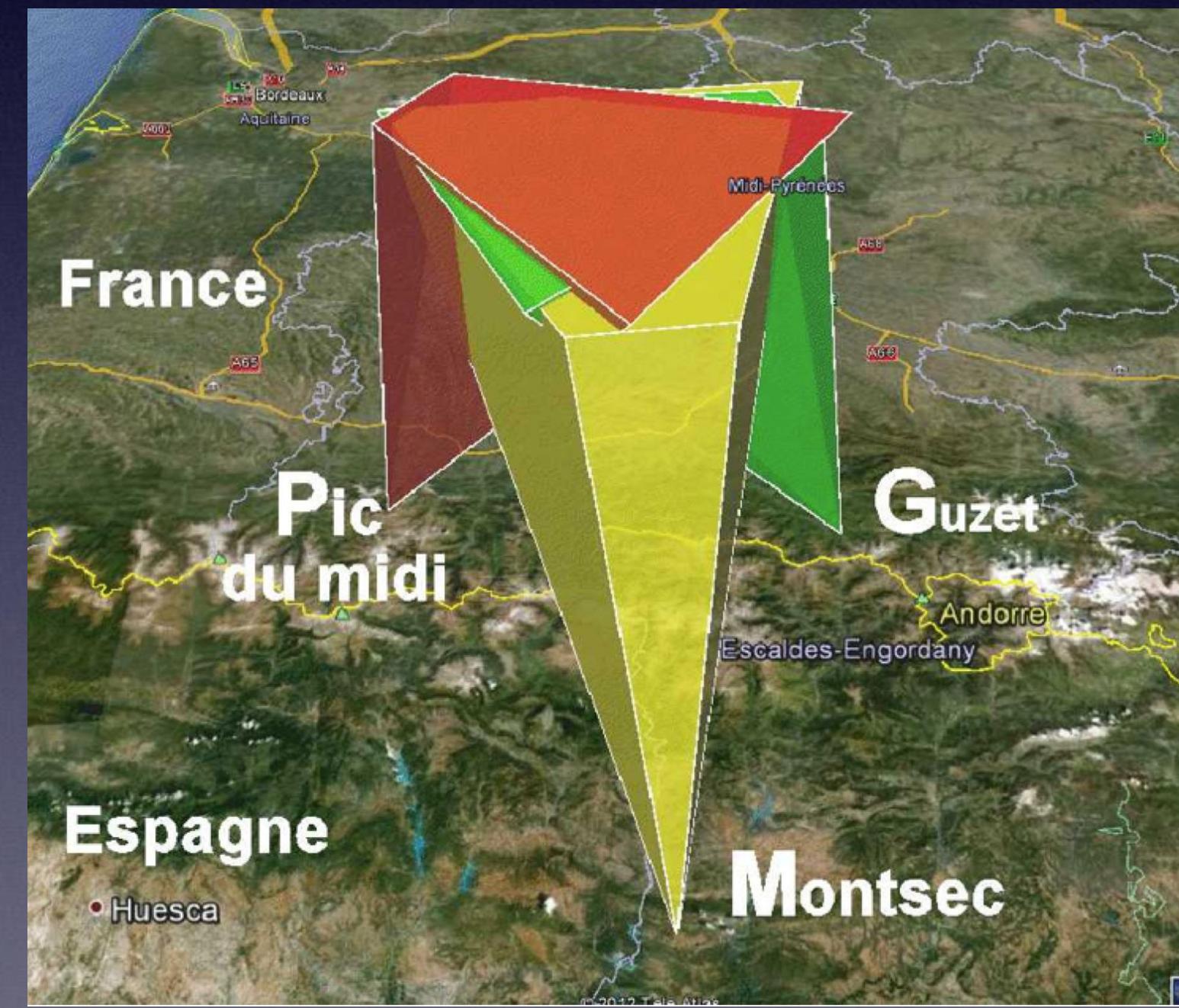
## Deduce

- **SFD+flux ; Presence + position** of stream in Solar System ; nature+activity of the parent body ; collision **lifetime**
- Parent body + **origin**
- **Age**, lifetime expectancy
- Tensile **strength**
- Main atomic **composition**

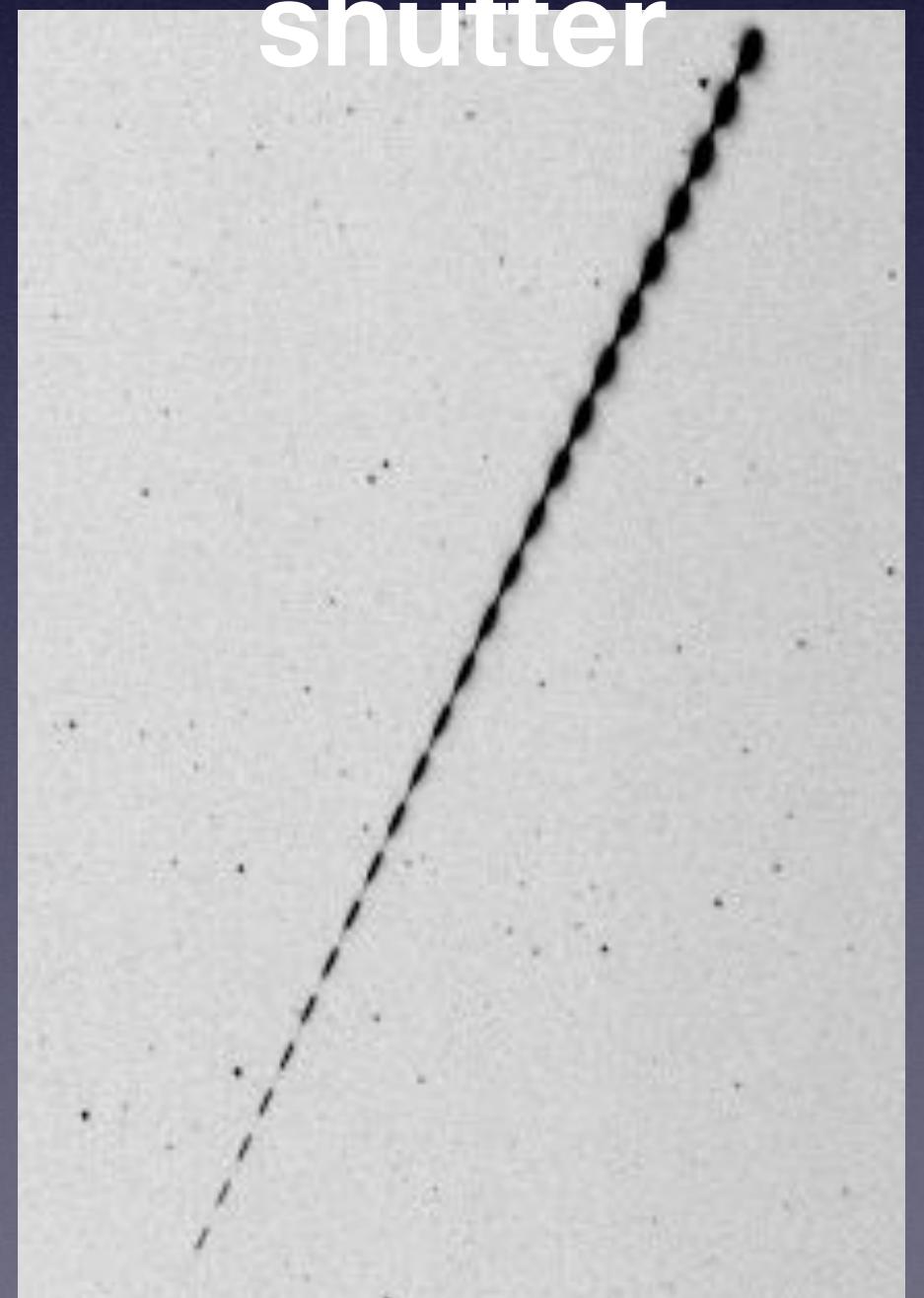
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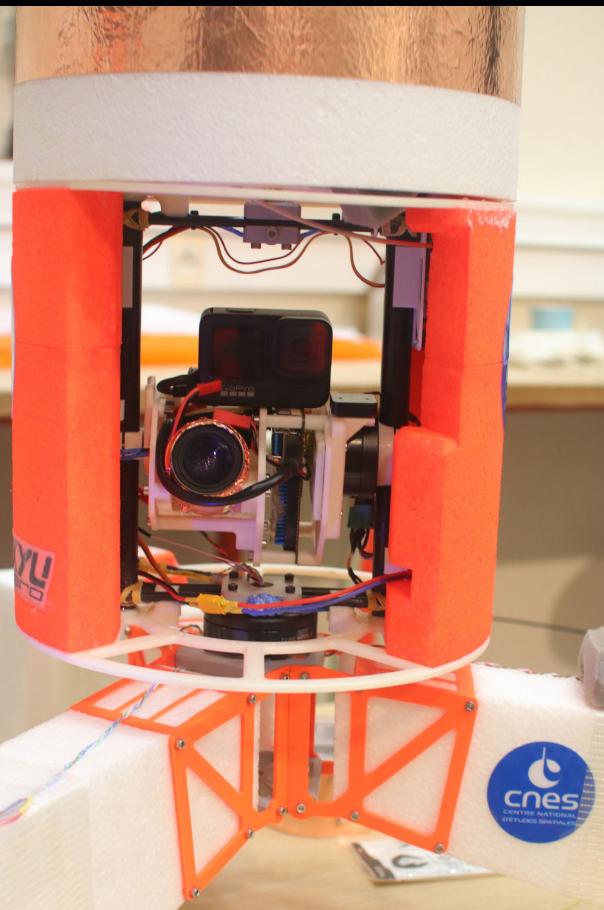


Auriane Egal (2014-2017)

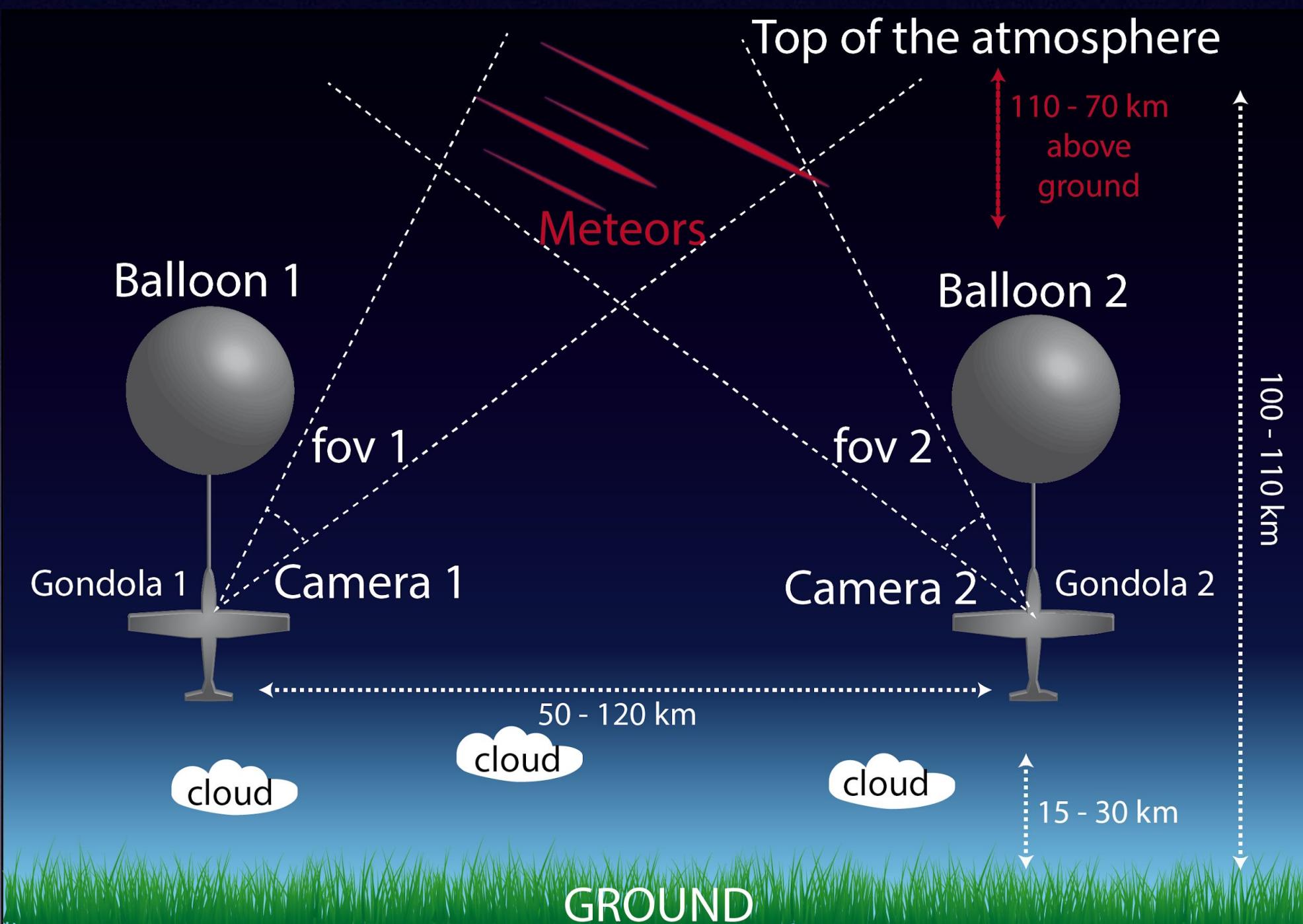


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# Airborne observations



MALBEC project



tau-Herculids 2022

# Meteor cluster

- $\tau$ -Herculides 2022

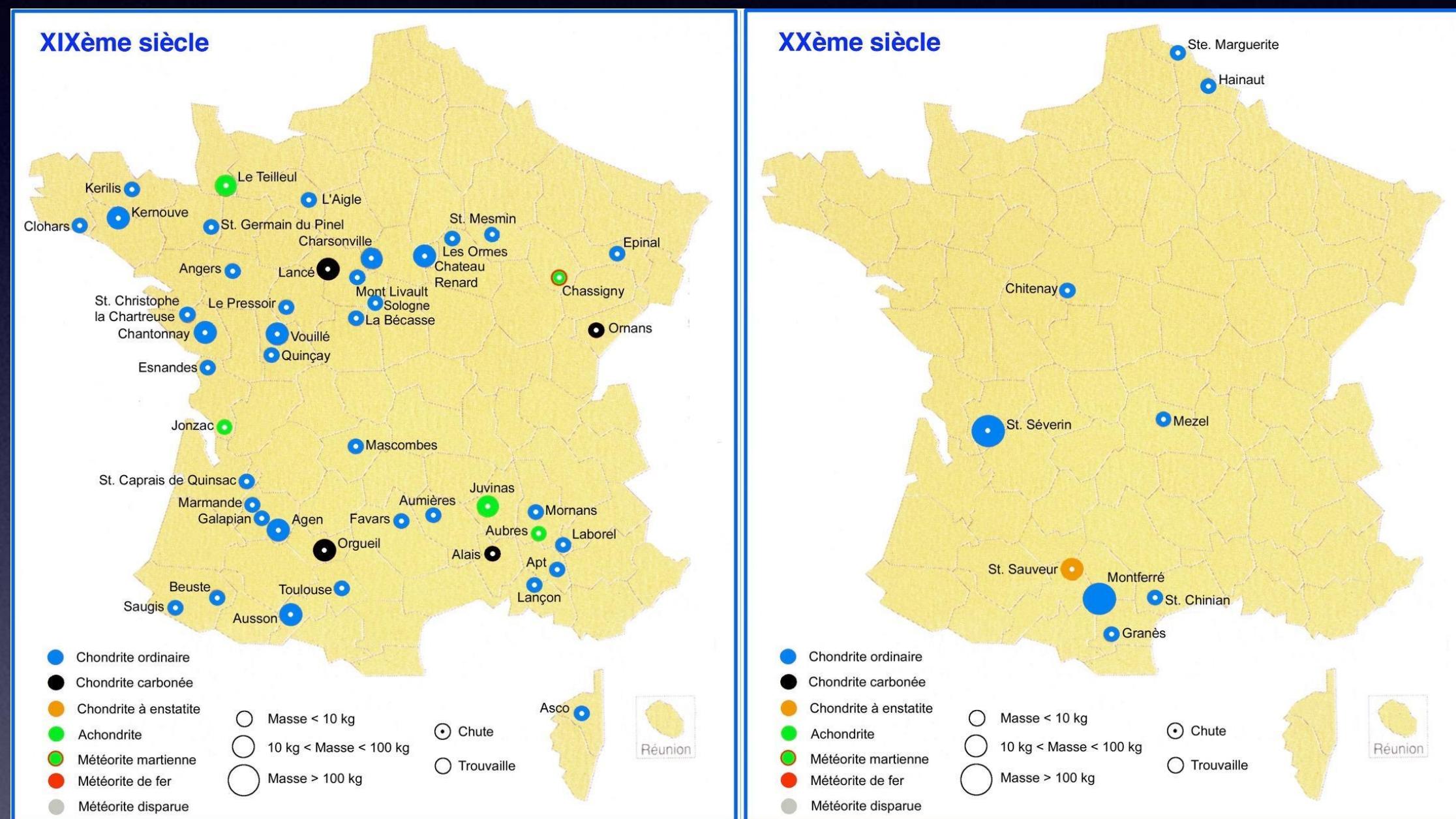
A. Cassagne, LIP6



### 3. The FRIPTON project

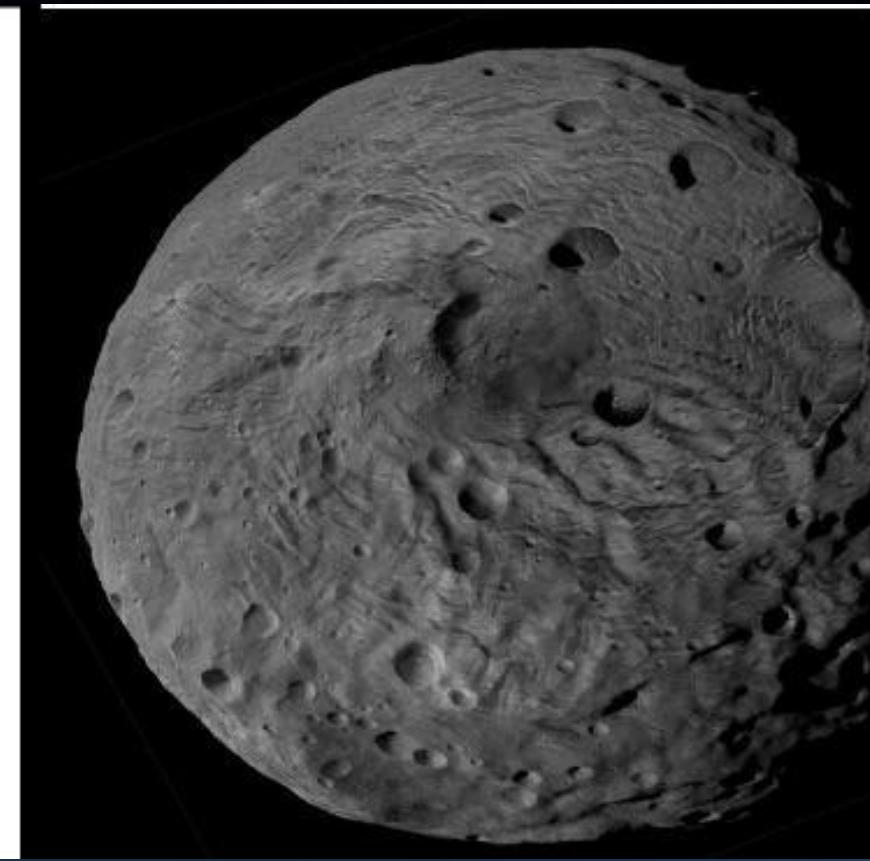
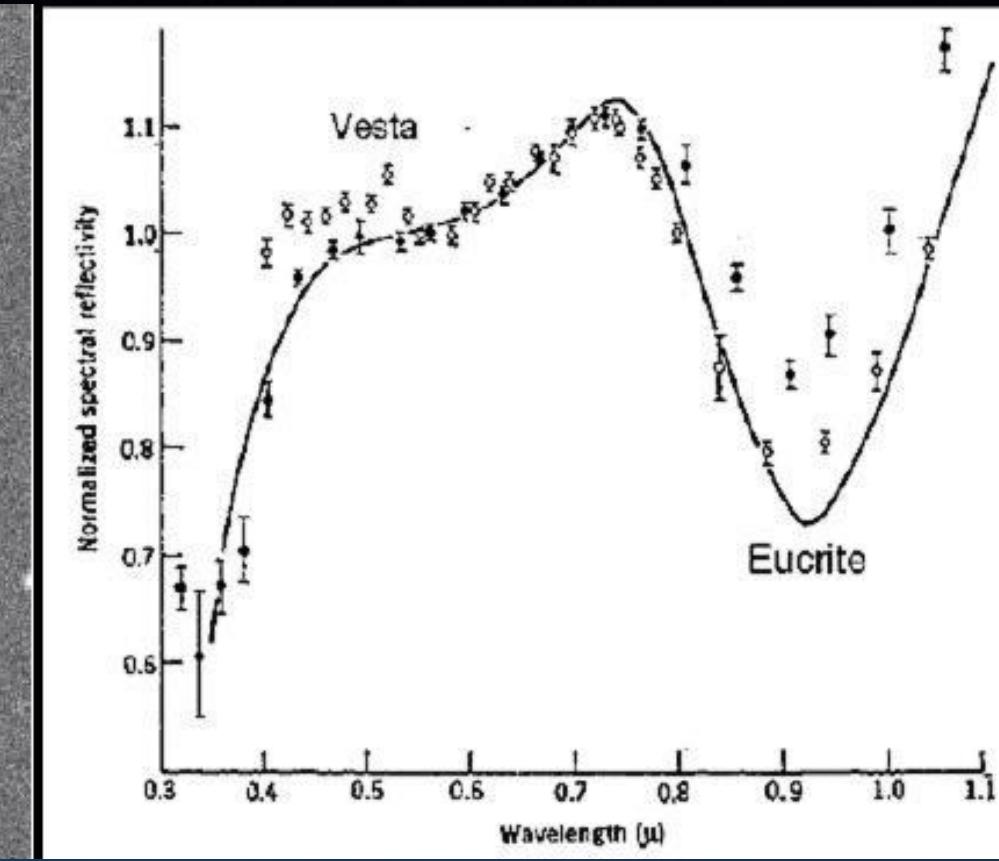
# Why does it matter?

## B. Zanda, MNHN



# One object observed from different points of view

comets,  
asteroid  
astronomy



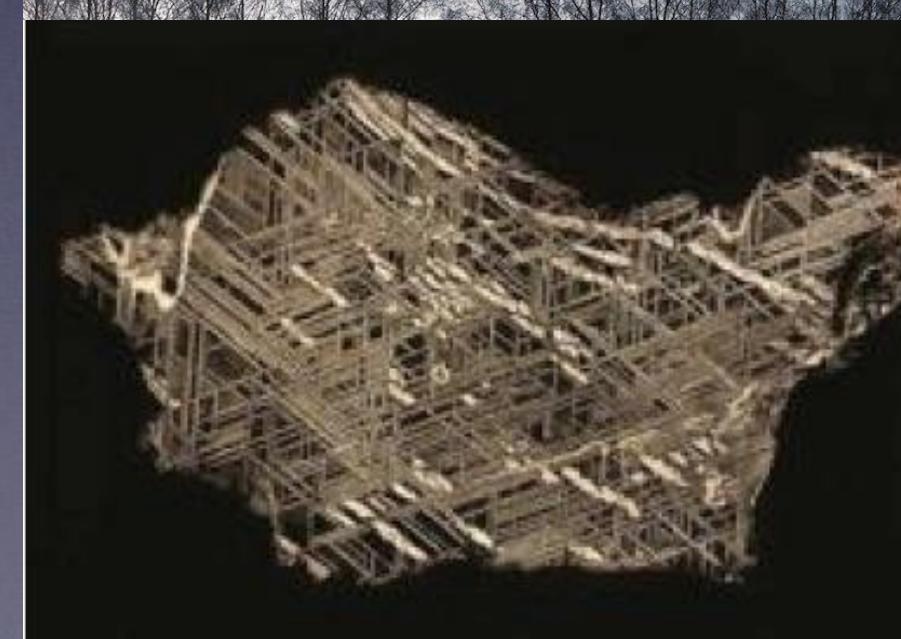
Telescope  
space  
probe

meteors  
atmosphere



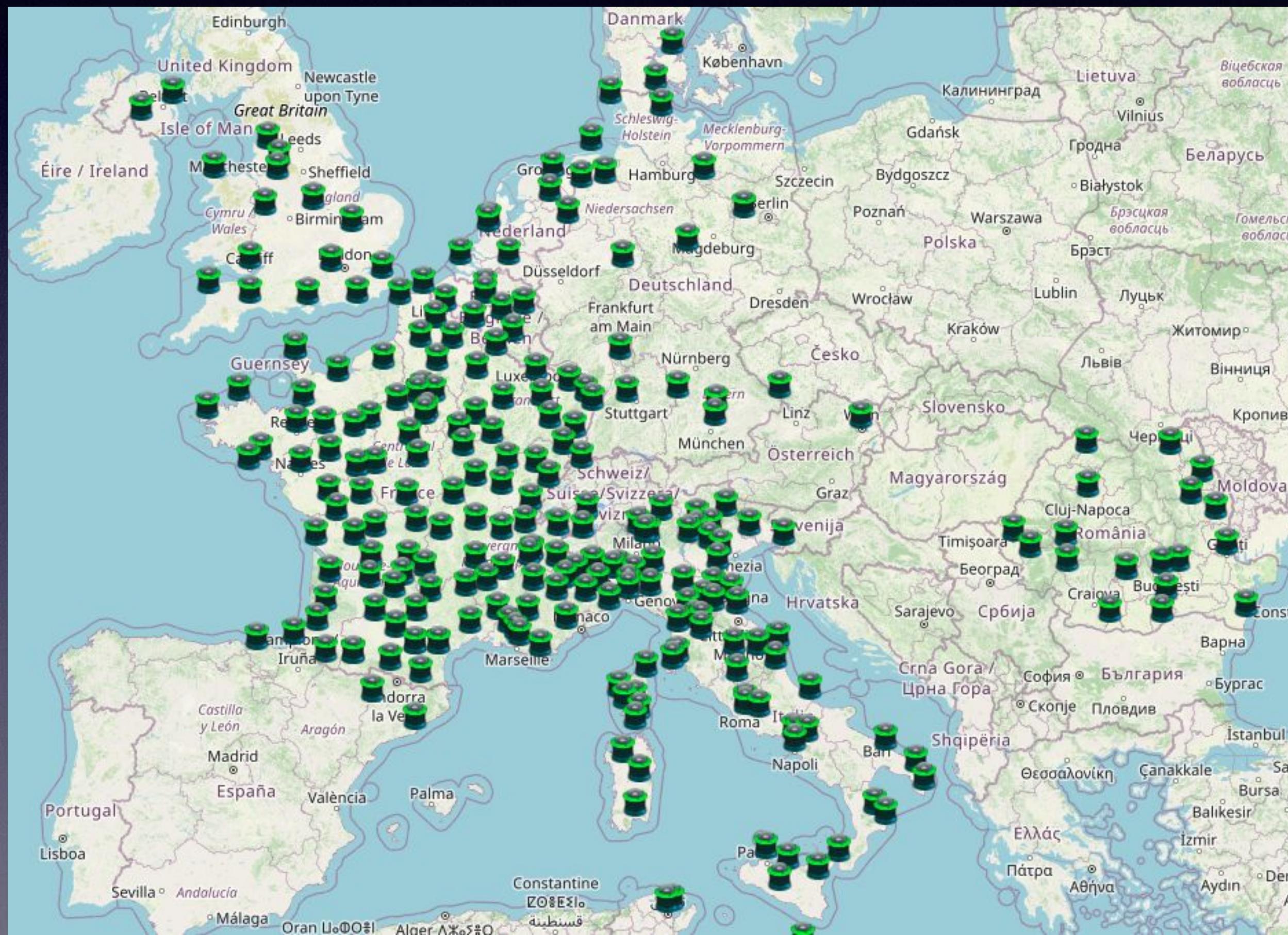
Wide field  
camera

meteorite  
geology



microscope

# FRIPON 2024





Meteorite fall

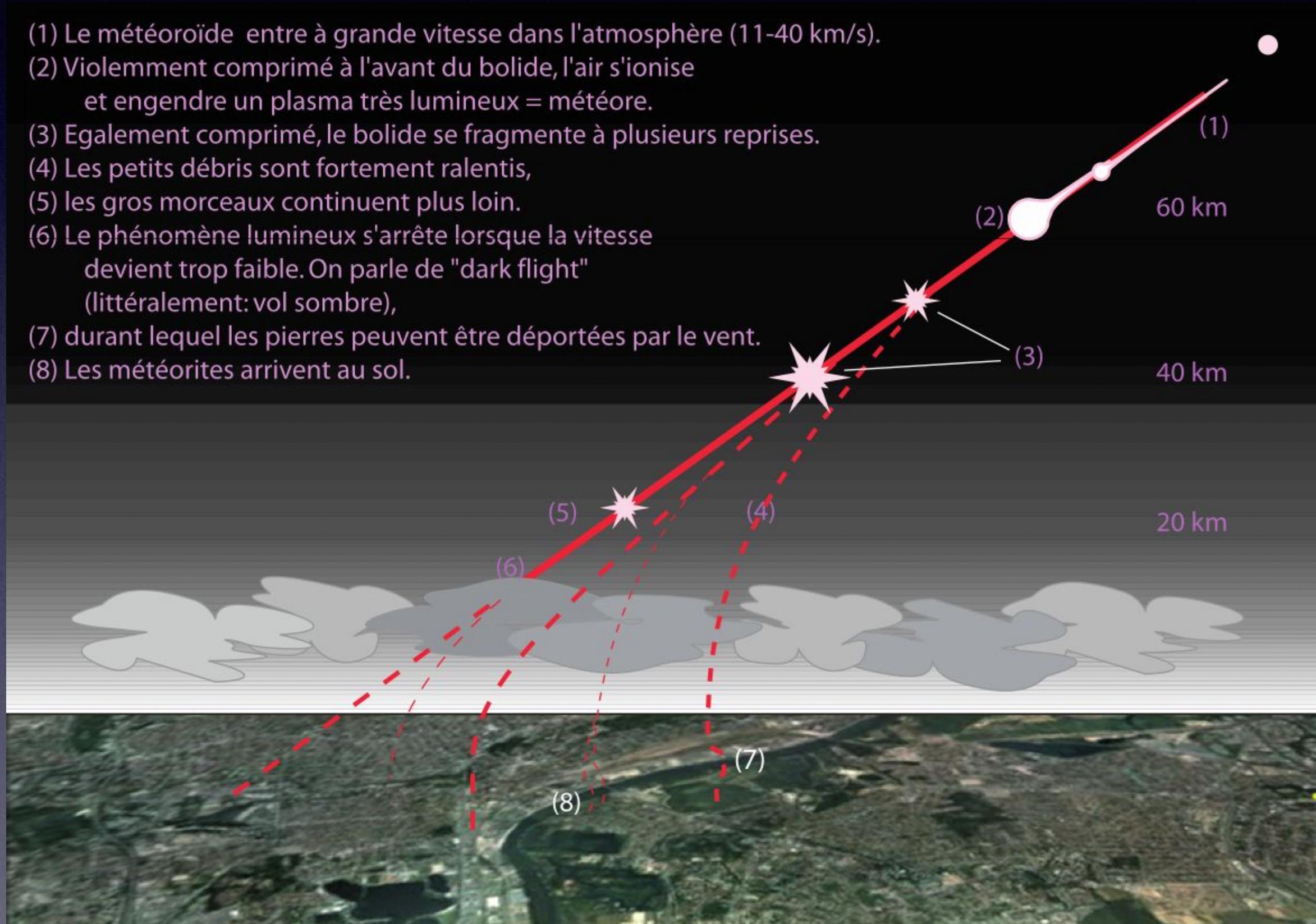
Asteroid : 2023 CX1  
Meteorite : St-Pierre-le-Viger

crédit : Titus K

[https://vigie-ciel.imo.net/members/imo\\_view/event/2023/937](https://vigie-ciel.imo.net/members/imo_view/event/2023/937)

# Strewn field

- (1) Le météoroïde entre à grande vitesse dans l'atmosphère (11-40 km/s).
- (2) Violemment comprimé à l'avant du bolide, l'air s'ionise et engendre un plasma très lumineux = météore.
- (3) Egalement comprimé, le bolide se fragmente à plusieurs reprises.
- (4) Les petits débris sont fortement ralentis,
- (5) les gros morceaux continuent plus loin.
- (6) Le phénomène lumineux s'arrête lorsque la vitesse devient trop faible. On parle de "dark flight" (littéralement: vol sombre),
- (7) durant lequel les pierres peuvent être déportées par le vent.
- (8) Les météorites arrivent au sol.



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# St-Pierre-le-Viger meteorite



S. Bouley, Vigie-ciel

