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PROBA-V Image Quality Center : vicarious calibration software system

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PROBA-V IQC : Main partners

- » Qinetiq Space :
 - » prime
 - » satellite platform
- » OIP
 - » camera
- » Vito
 - » PI
 - » user segment
 - » Data ingestion (DIF)
 - » Production (PF)
 - » Image Quality (IQC Radiometric)



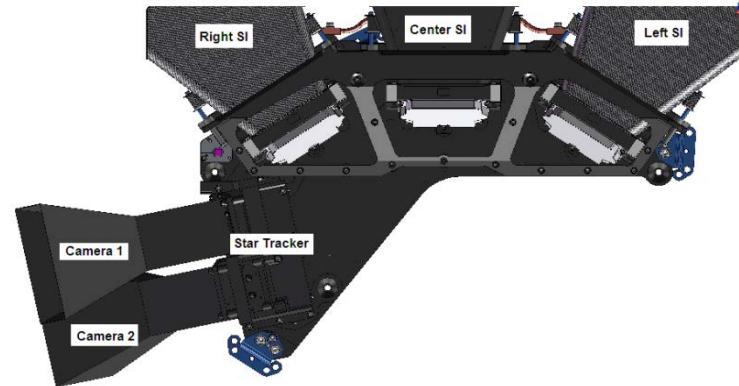
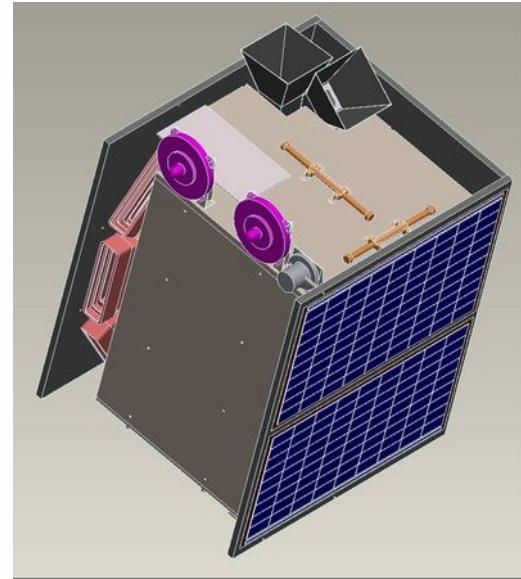
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OIP
Sensor Systems

PROBA-V IQC : Mission

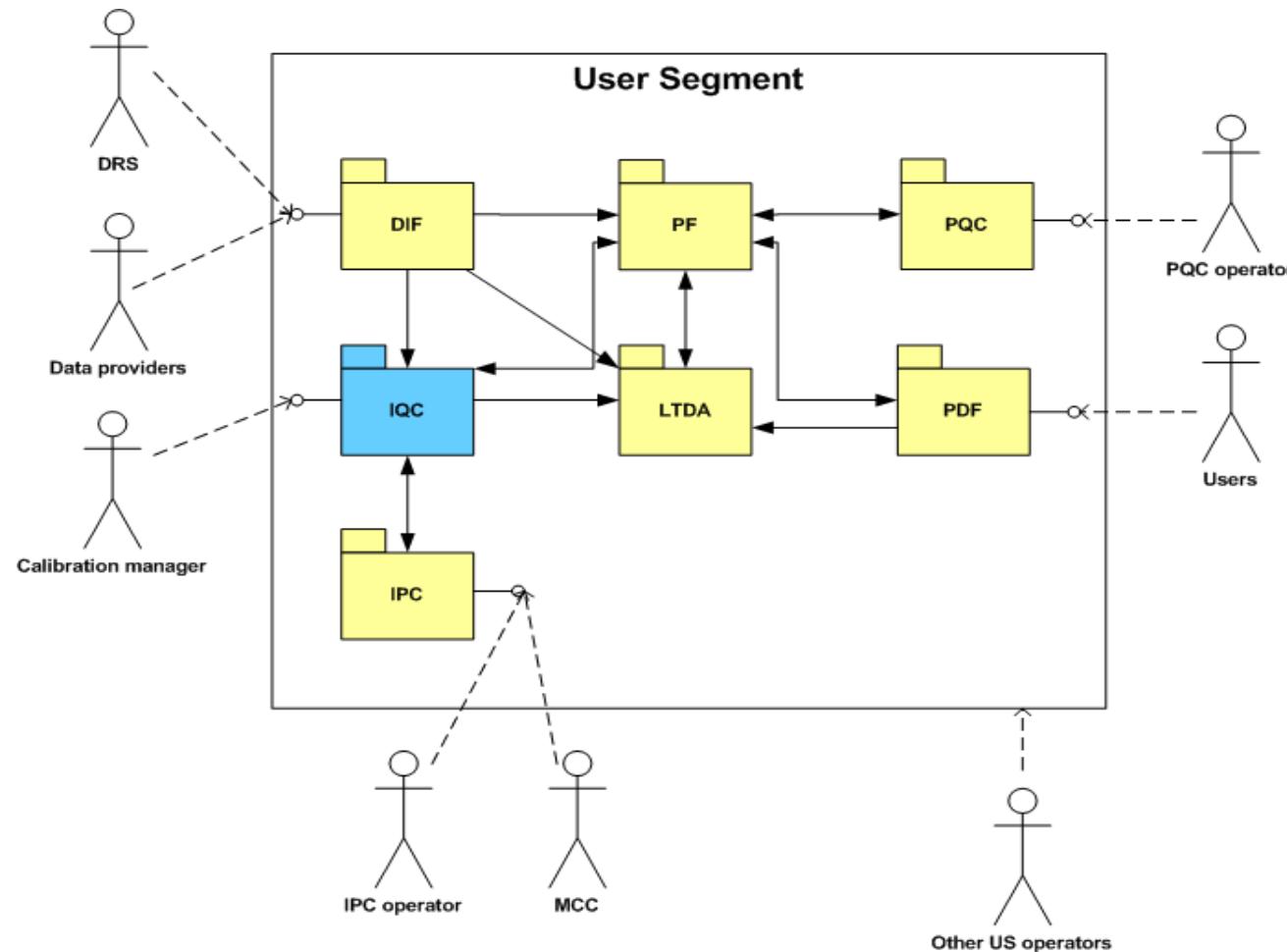
- » ESA mission
- » SPOT VGT replacement/gapfiller
- » Small satellite platform (Proba)
- » 1 sensor
- » 3 cameras
- » 1 VNIR and 3 SWIR detectors per camera
- » 4 spectral bands : blue, red, nir and swir
- » Swath approx. 2000km
- » Max Spatial resolution 330m (100m)
- » Launch date 19/04/2013
- » VEGA launcher (Kourou)



PROBA-V IQC : Challenge

- » No active thermal control system
- » No onboard calibration devices
- » 3 different cameras
 - which may show different performance degradation patterns
- » Relatively large differences in viewing geometry for the different detectors, especially for the SWIR detectors compared to the VNIR detectors

PROBA-V IQC : User Segment



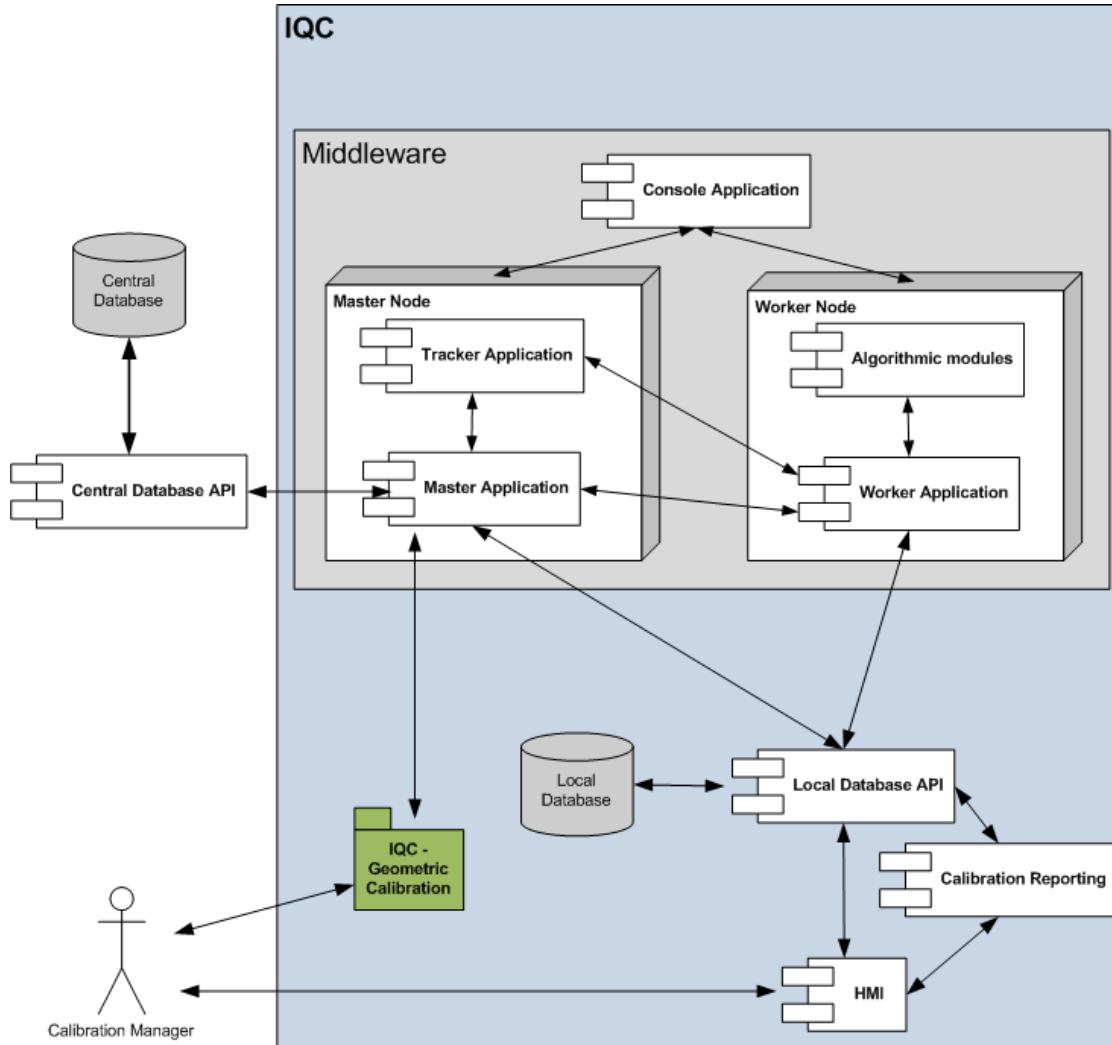
PROBA-V IQC : Design principles

- » Independent from other subsystems
- » Parallel processing with automated workflows
 - » L1B data upto calibration result
 - » All results inserted in local database
- » Graphical User Interface
 - » View on database
 - » Plotting results
 - » Statistical processing based on the database content and input from GUI
- » New Instrument calibration parameter updates
 - » traceability (database)
 - » GUI
- » Automated distribution towards other subsystems

PROBA-V IQC : Design principles (cont)

- » Reprocessing simple and traceable
 - » All products automatically processed default settings
 - » After evaluation, one or more products can be reprocessed
 - » New set of processing parameters stored and versioned
 - » Results of versions can be compared
 - » Versions can be made new default

PROBA-V IQC : Layout



PROBA-V IQC : Implemented methods

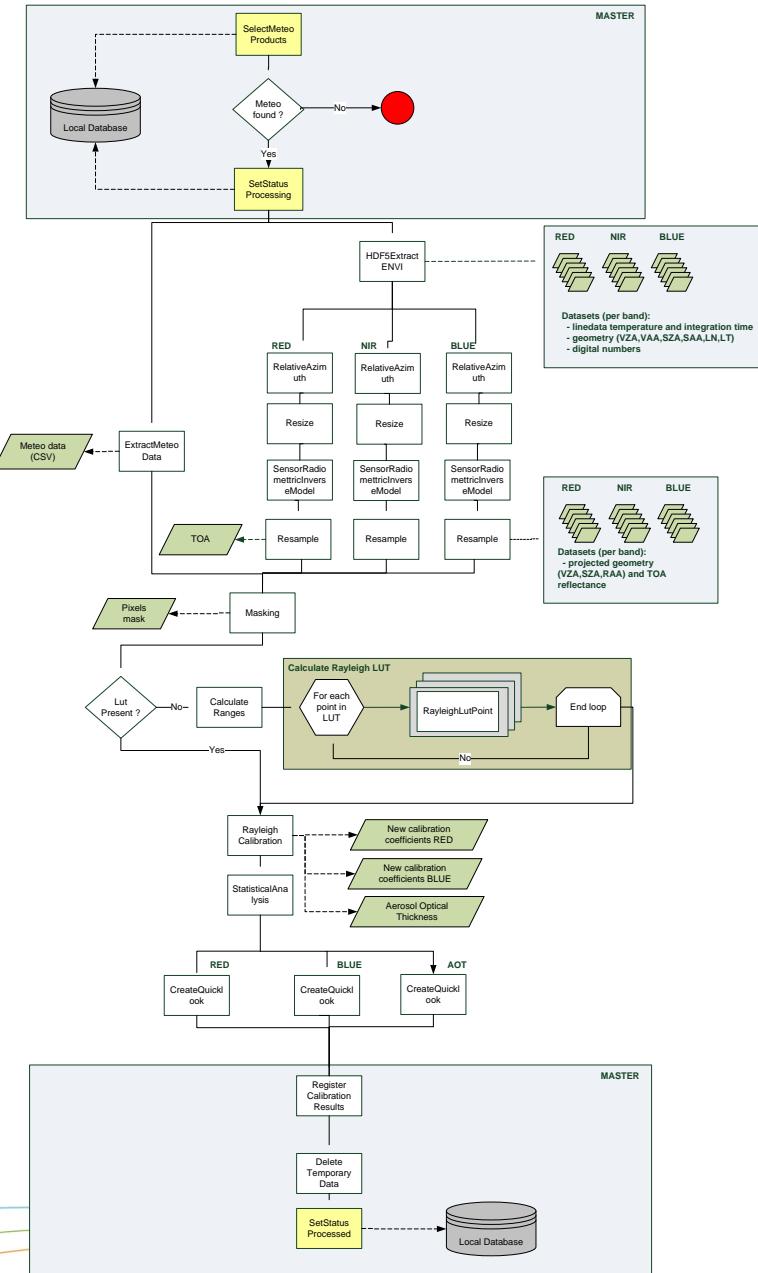
- » Absolute and Interband (OSCAR facilities)
 - » Rayleigh
 - » Sunglint
 - » DCClouds
 - » Desert (absolute / multi temporal / cross sensor)
 - » (Sterckx S, Livens S and Adriaensen S, "Rayleigh, Deep Convective Clouds, and Cross-Sensor Desert Vicarious Calibration Validation for the PROBA-V Mission," in IEEE Trans. Geosci. Remote Sens., vol. 52, no. 3, pp. 1437–1452, March 2013)
- » Dark Current
- » Multi Angular - equalisation over fov
- » Camera to Camera Overlap
- » Badpixeldetection
- » Linearity Check
- » Lunar calibration (under development)

PROBA-V IQC : Software components

- » Algorithmic modules :
 - » C++ including Interfaces to Modtran, libRadtran and 6SV
- » Workflows logic
 - » Java framework Jodi developed at Vito
 - » Master-Worker pattern
 - » Job pulling : automatical load balancing
- » Database (ORACLE SPATIAL)
 - » L1B products ingested automatically
 - » Workflows triggered based on the content of the database
 - » Instrument Calibration Parameters stored in database + updates
- » Statistical calibration reporting library (Java)
- » Graphical User Interface (Java)

PROBA-V IQC : Workflow

- » Data extraction / conversion
 - » HDF5 -> ENVI
- » Resample
- » Overlap
- » Pixel masking
- » LUT generation
- » Method
- » Store in database

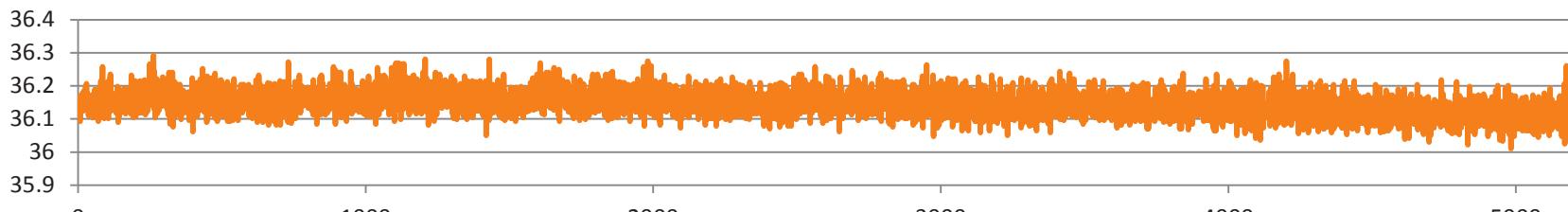


PROBA-V IQC : User interface

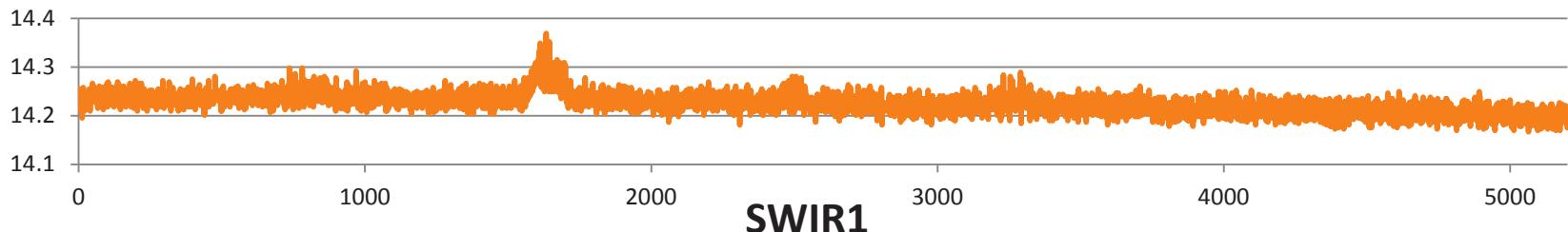
PROBAV IQC : SVT results DARK CURRENT

- » Dark current values from SVT test data (camera covered)

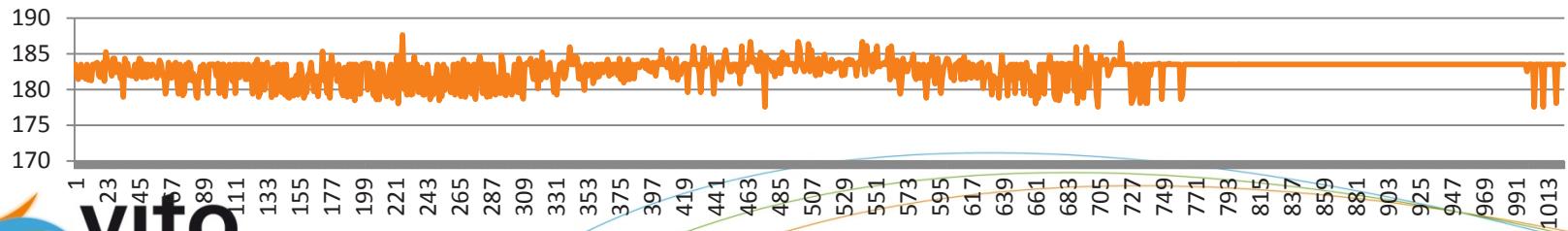
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RED

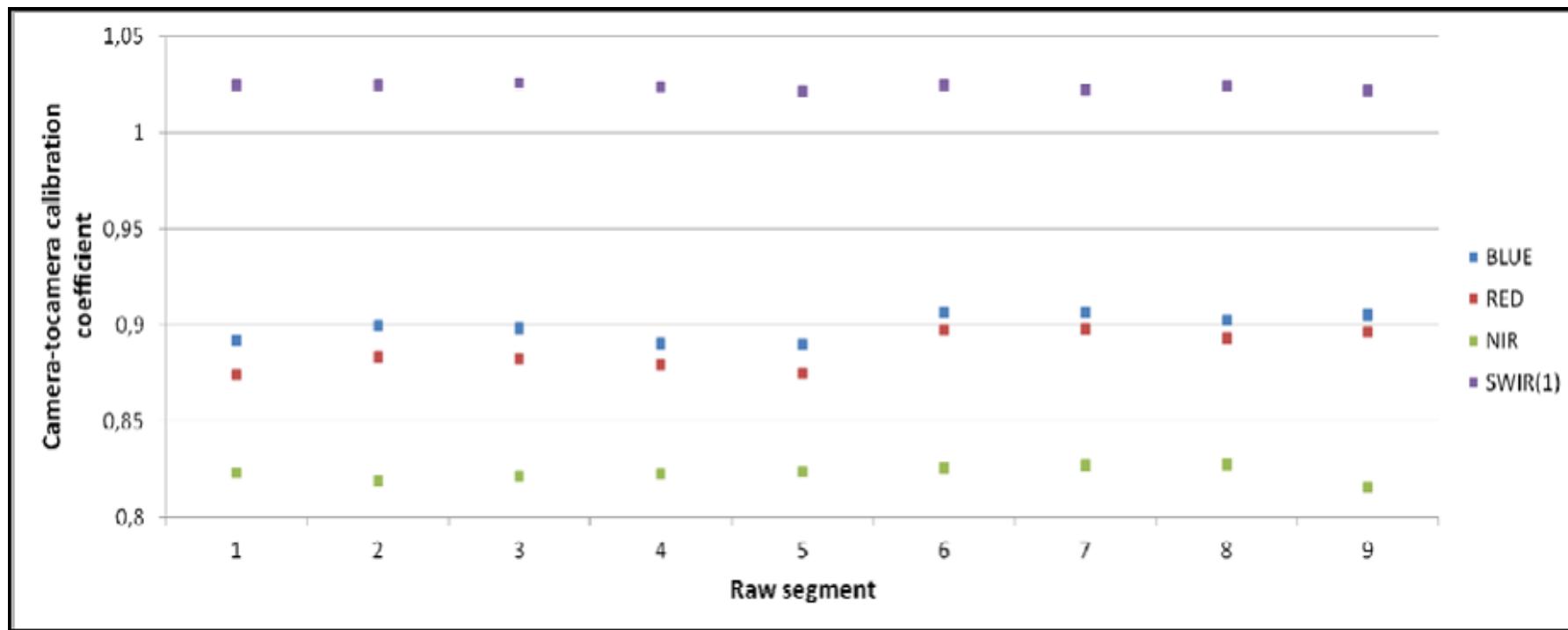


SWIR1



PROBA-V IQC : SVT results Cam2Cam

- » Comparison overlapping pixels of the right to center camera



PROBA-V IQC : Conclusion

- » Developed a fully fledged and highly autonomous software system for the calibration of PROBA-V
- » Finished SVT tests in December 14 2012
- » Lets launch !