

# ***Rosetta Navigation for the Fly-by of Asteroid (21) Lutetia***

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**Purpose: In situ scientific observations of 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko  
(Comet C-G is easier to pronounce)**

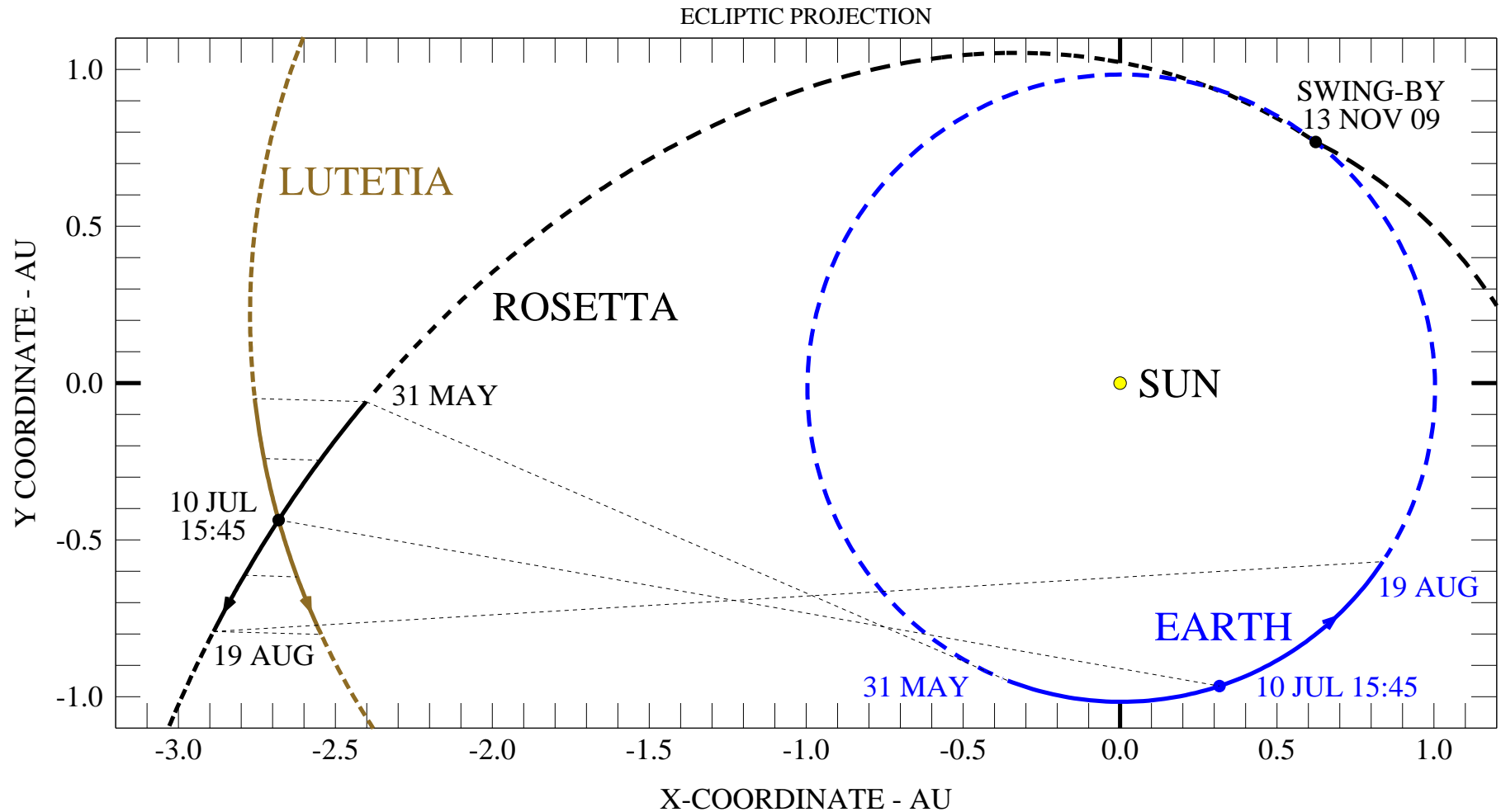
Event	Date
Launch	2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2004
1st Earth Swing-by	4 <sup>th</sup> March 2005
Mars Swing-by	25 <sup>th</sup> February 2007
2nd Earth Swing-by	13 <sup>th</sup> November 2007
<b>(2867) Šteins Fly-by<sup>#</sup></b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> September 2008</b>
3rd Earth Swing-by	13 <sup>th</sup> November 2009
<b>(21) Lutetia Fly-by</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> July 2010</b>
Hibernation	8 <sup>th</sup> June 2011
Reactivation	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2014
Arrival at Comet	4 <sup>th</sup> August 2014

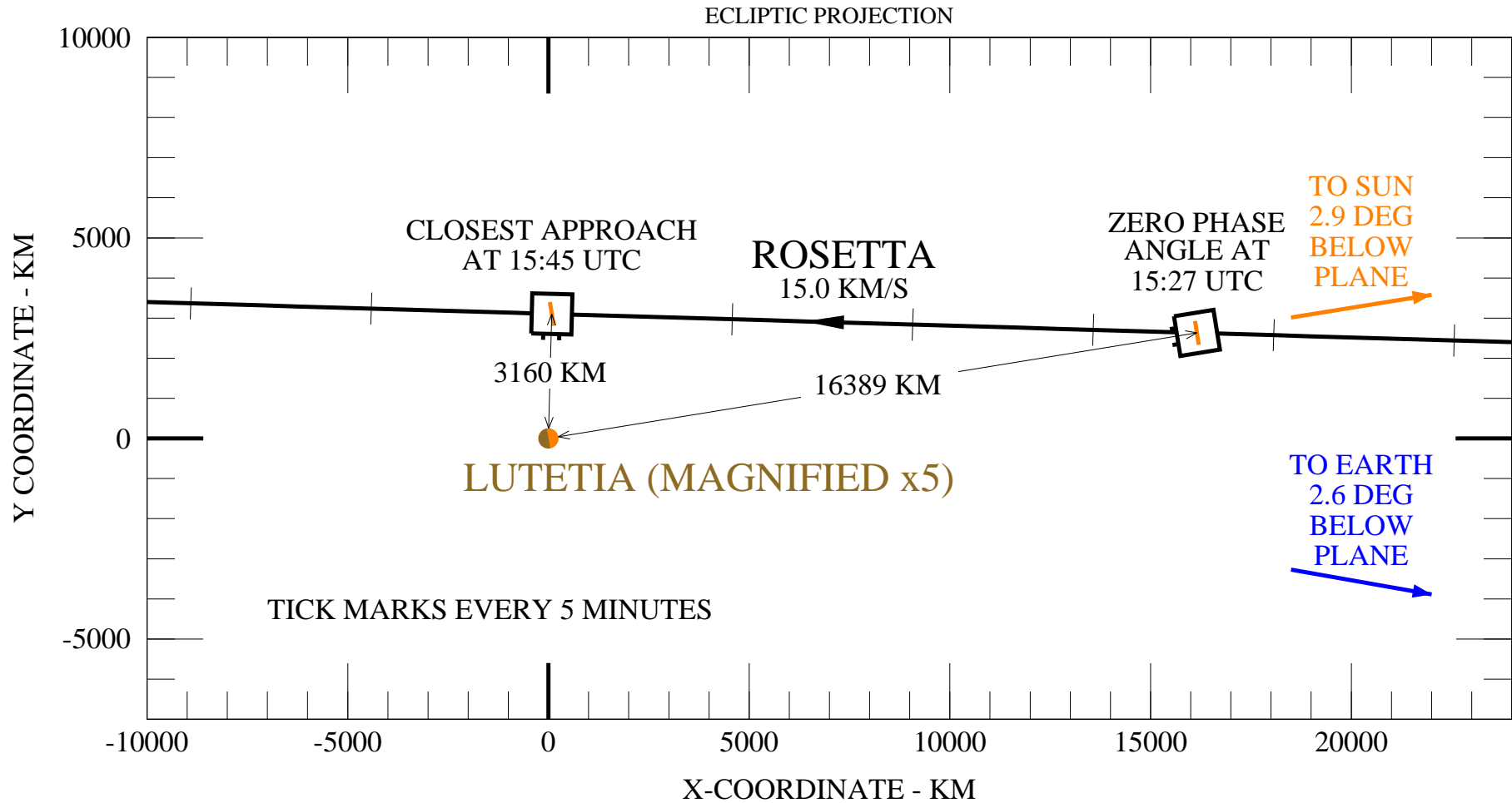


**# Navigation for (2867) Šteins Fly-by  
was presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> ISSFD**

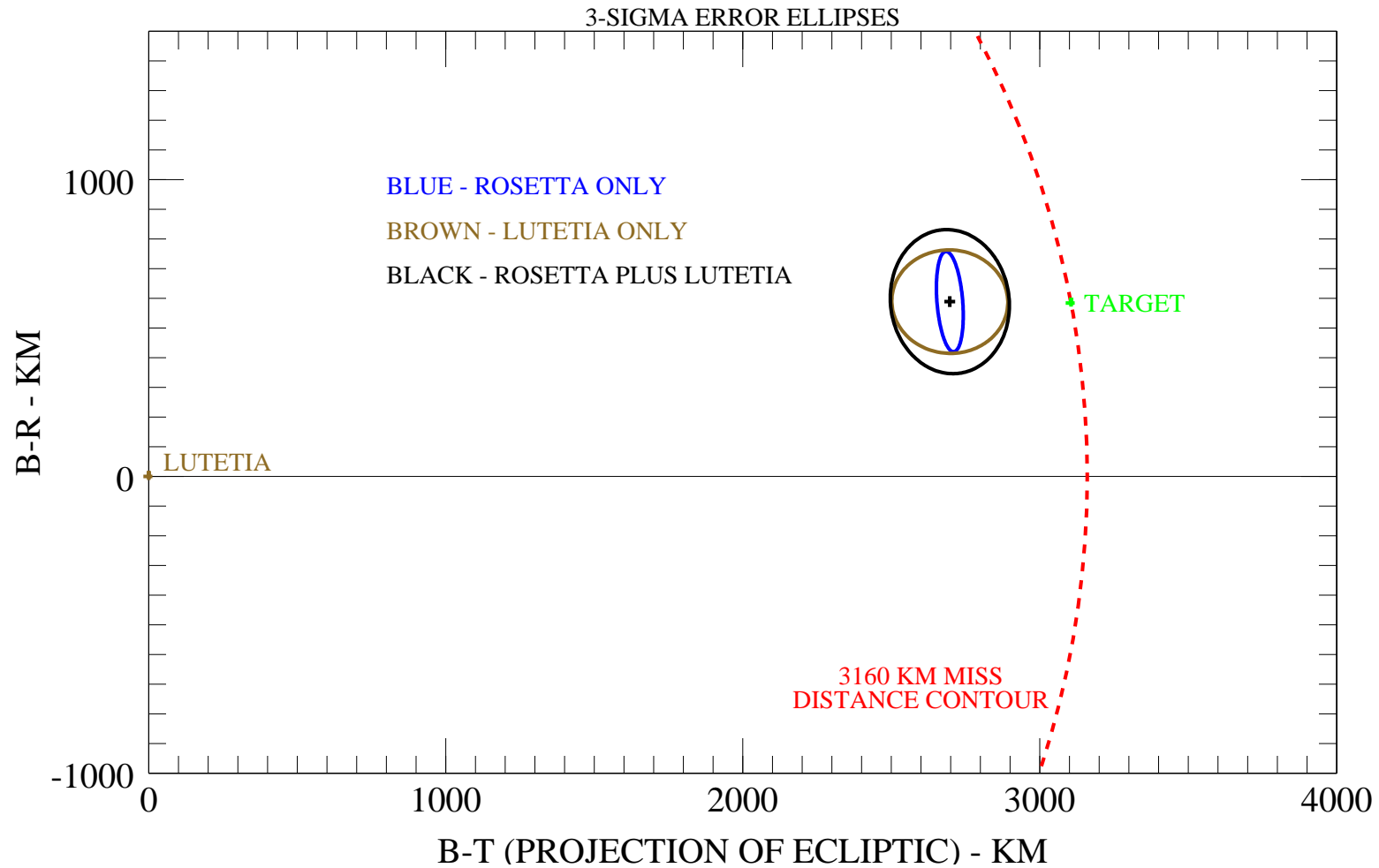
Parameter	<b>(2867) Šteins</b>	<b>(21) Lutetia</b>
Size	<b>~6 km diameter</b>	<b>124 x 101 x 93 km</b>
Fly-by Speed	<b>8.6 km/s</b>	<b>15.0 km/s</b>
Planned Miss-distance	<b>800 km</b>	<b>3160 km</b>
Solar Phase Angle (SPA) at Far Approach	<b>38°</b>	<b>11°</b>
Planned Minimum SPA	<b>0°</b>	<b>0°</b>
Time of Minimum SPA before Fly-by	<b>2 minutes</b>	<b>18 minutes</b>

# Orbits of Rosetta, (21) Lutetia and the Earth



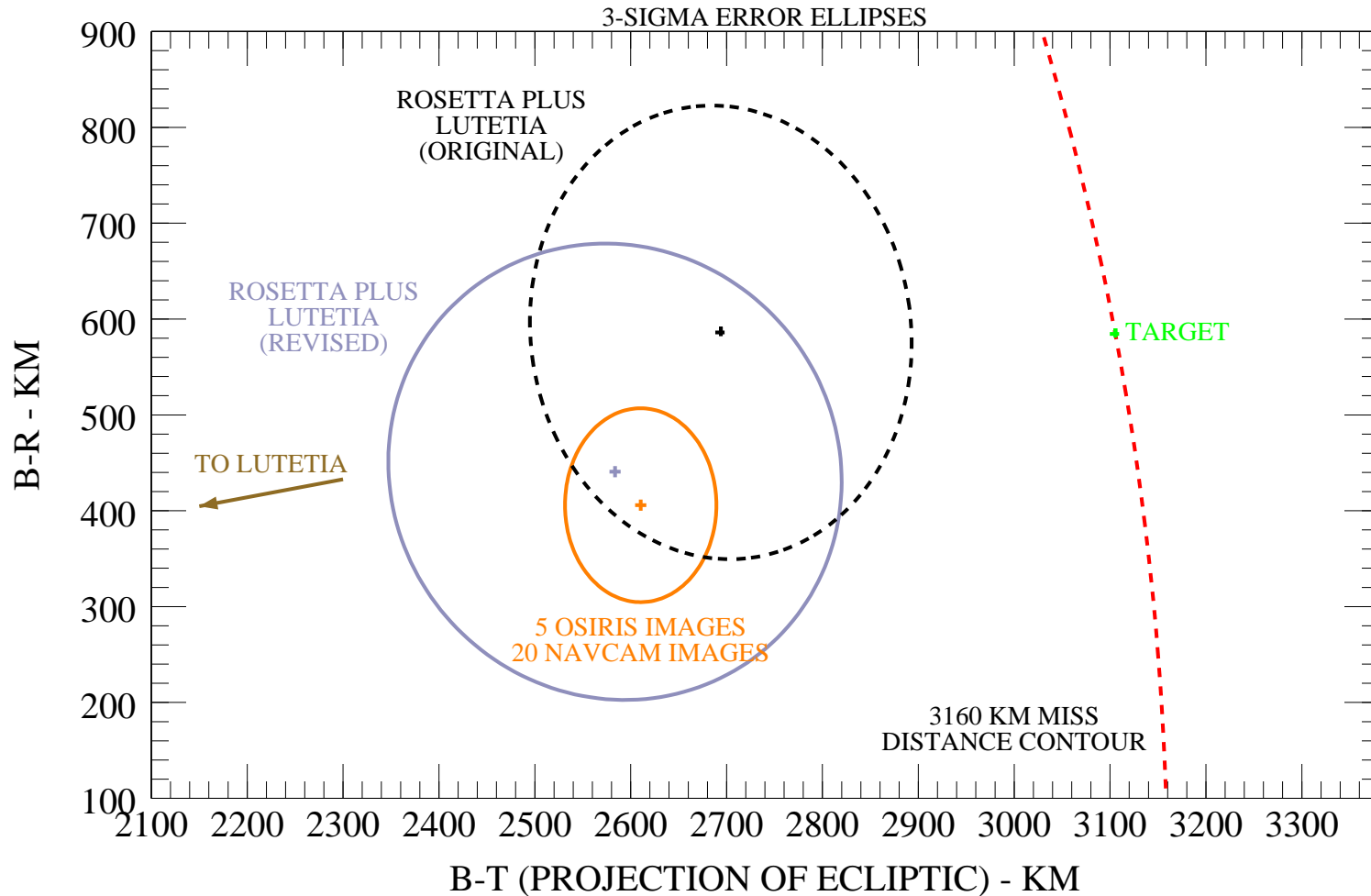


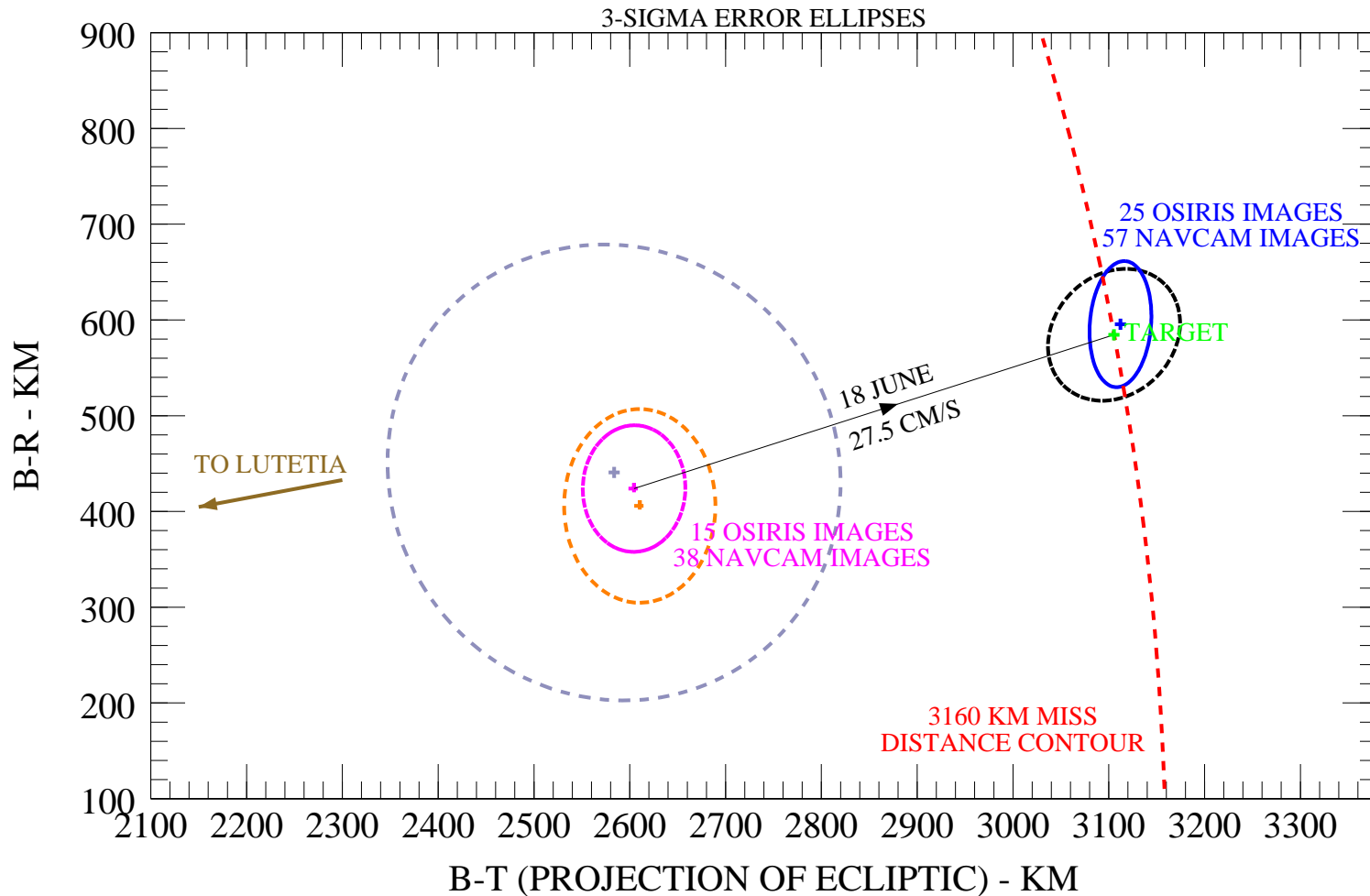
- **Until end May 2010 separate orbit determinations (OD).**
- **Rosetta OD used coherent 2-way Doppler and range data:**
  - **ESA New Norcia (NNO) 35 m antenna was primary station;**
  - **Tracking data arc started on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2010;**
  - **From 25<sup>th</sup> May up to fly-by, 35 passes from NASA/DSN stations.**
- **Lutetia OD used astrometric data from 31 observatories:**
  - **1630 R.A. and declination measurements, 1866-2010;**
  - **Post 1990 rms of 1 arcsec, pre 1990 rms of 2-5 arcsec;**
  - **Initially, no differential weighting between observatories;**
  - **Prediction at fly-by time, 77 km different from JPL Horizons.**



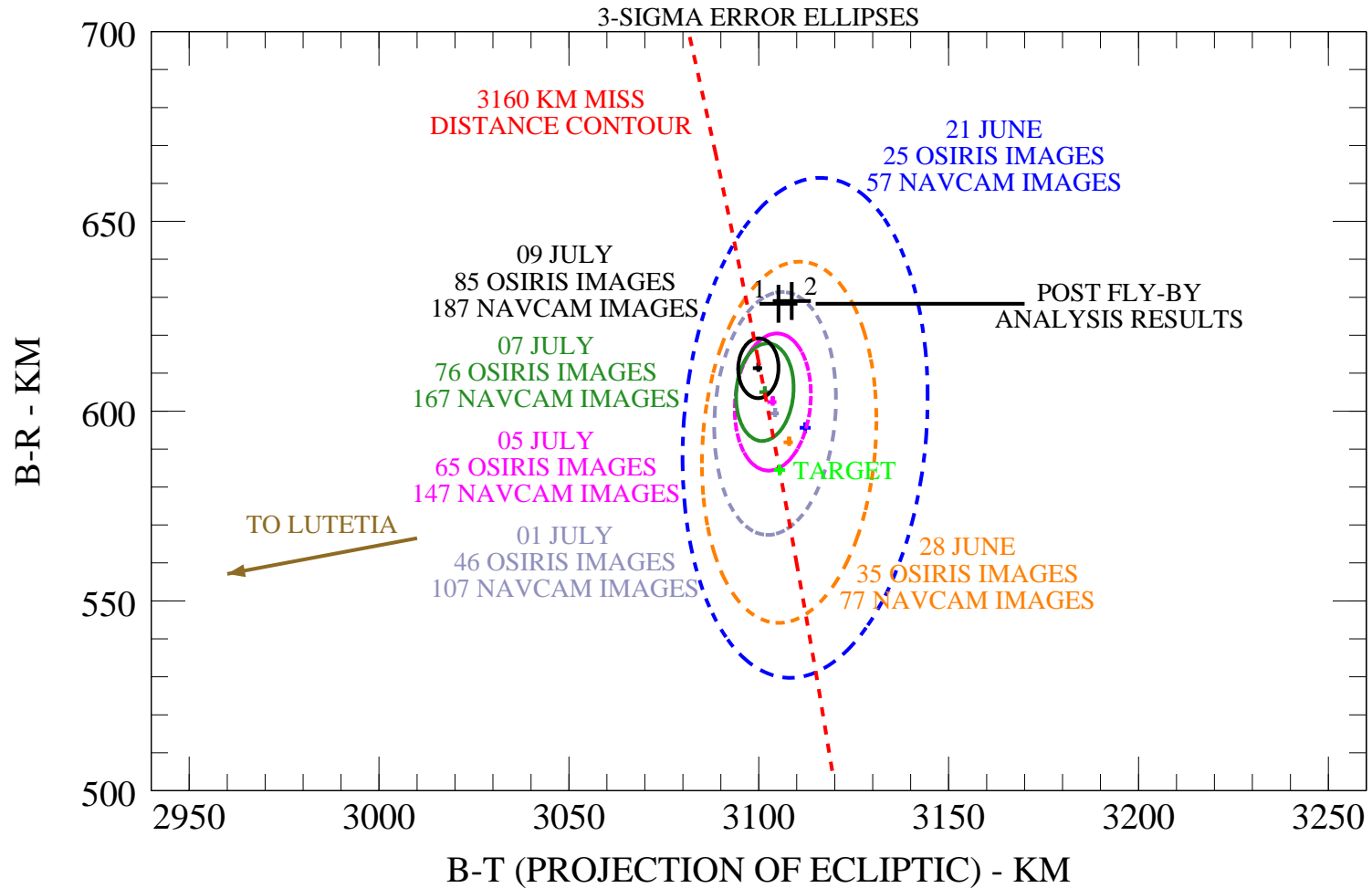
- **Starting 31<sup>st</sup> May acquired optical data from 3 on-board cameras:**
  - **2 identical navigation cameras (NAVCAMs) - 1 pixel = 5 mdeg;**
  - **OSIRIS Narrow Angle Camera (NAC) - 1 pixel = 1.1 mdeg.**
- **Imaging sessions twice per week, then daily from 28<sup>th</sup> June 2010.**
- **Images processed on ground to give Rosetta-to-Lutetia directions.**
- **Rosetta and Lutetia states then determined simultaneously:**
  - **state and error estimates from separate ODs used as *a priori* info.**
- **First relative OD results were inconsistent with previous ones:**
  - **unreliable asteroid OD result suspected**
  - **known biases in popularly used star catalogues (Chesley *et al.* 2010);**
  - **revised Lutetia OD, differential weighting data between observatories**
  - **highest weighting given to data reduced with UCAC-2 and Tycho-2.**



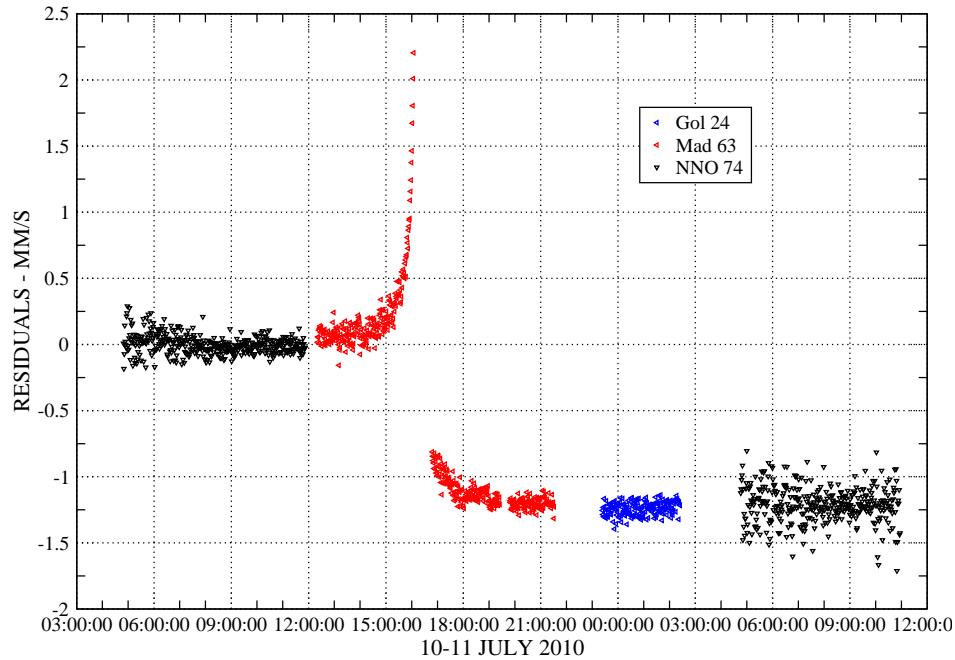




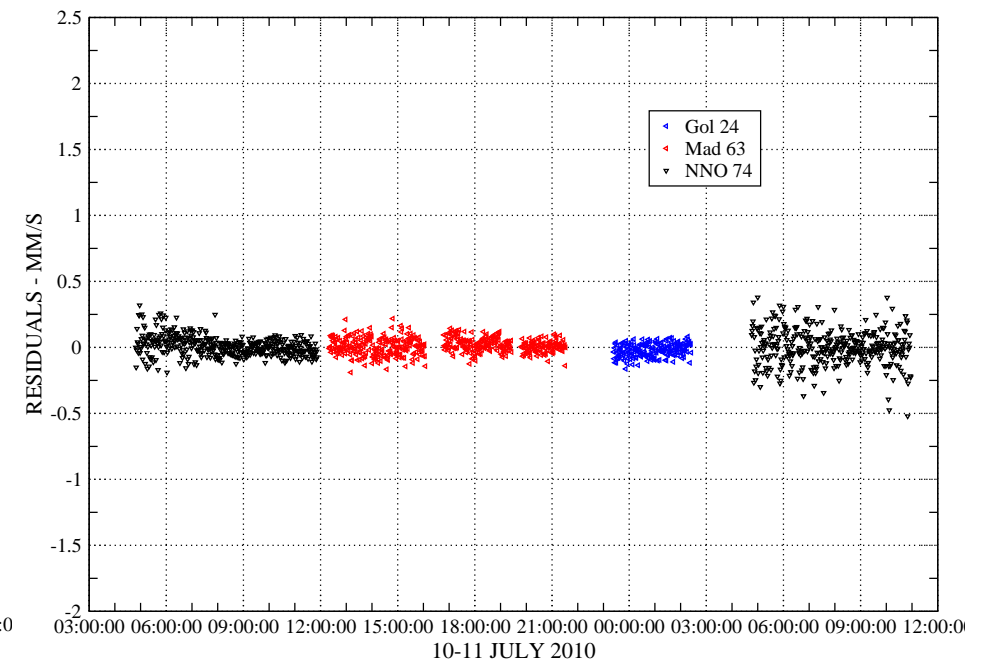
Predicted time of closest approach was 10<sup>th</sup> July at 15:44:55.51 UTC  $\pm 7.43$  s ( $3\sigma$ )



**Black - New Norcia, Red - DSS-63 Madrid, Blue - DSS-24 Goldstone**



**Pre-fit (Lutetia massless)**



**Post-fit (Lutetia GM estimated)**

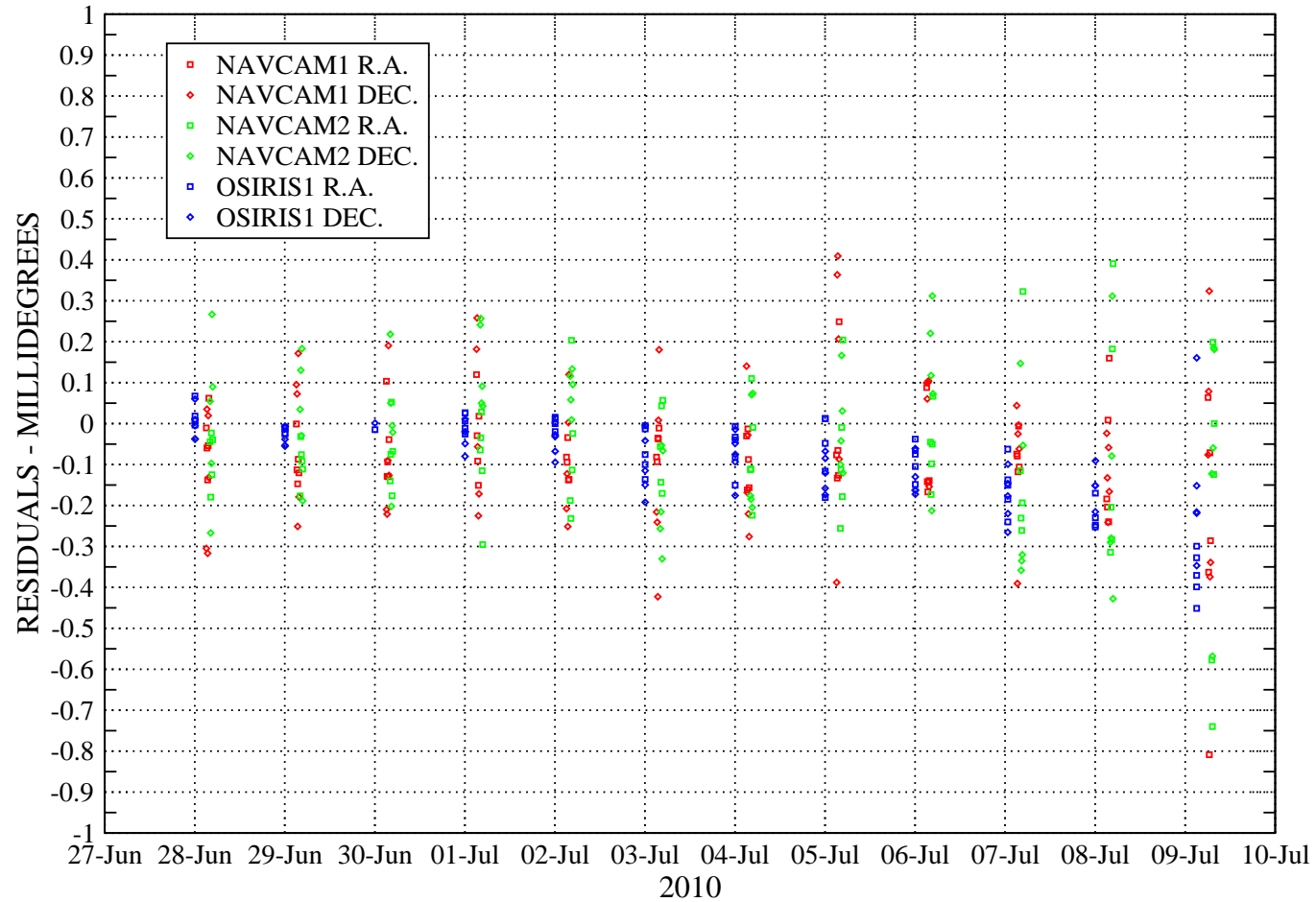
**Rosetta 2-way range-rate residuals, 10<sup>th</sup> July 03:00 to 11<sup>th</sup> July 12:00**

**Preliminary Lutetia GM estimate:  $0.1087 \text{ km}^3 \text{ s}^{-2}$**

- **Processed additionally radiometric data up to 16<sup>th</sup> July plus pointing directions during early part of the fly-by:**
  - **pointing was close to photometric centre not centre of gravity;**
  - **used 44 minutes of data up to 15 min before closest approach;**
  - **Solar phase angle reduced from 7.7° to ~0° then rose to 2°;**
  - **Two schemes - (1) raw data,**
  - **(2) Correction using Lambertian reflection from 50 km radius sphere.**

### Final Fly-by Estimates

Parameter	1	2
UTC of closest approach (on 10 <sup>th</sup> July)	15:44:54.75	15:44:55.93
Miss-distance (km)	3168.2	3171.7
Minimum solar phase angle (degrees)	0.15	0.15
UTC of minimum solar phase angle	15:26:59.53	15:26:59.52

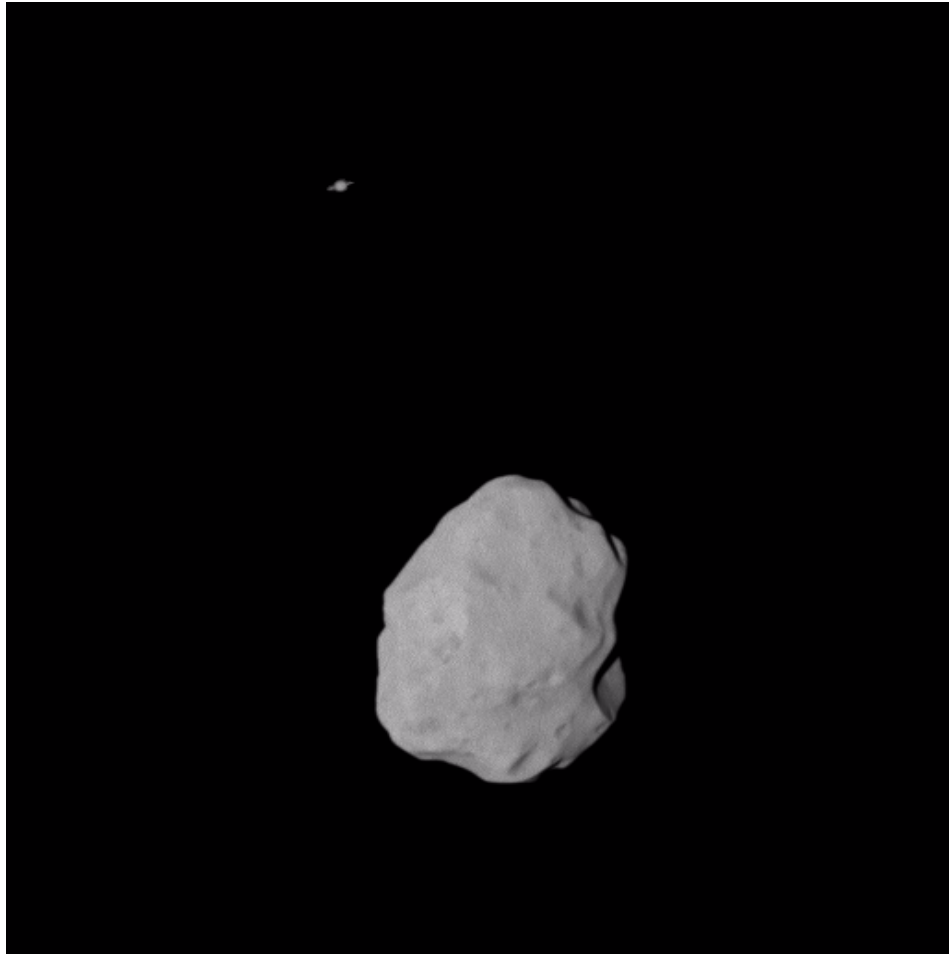


**NAC data biases up to -0.3 mdeg when asteroid size was 3 mdeg**

- **Final GM estimate =  $0.1081 \text{ km}^3\text{s}^{-2} \pm 1.7\%$  ( $1\sigma$ )**
- **Radio Science Team estimate was 4.9% higher\* -  
- their analysis was simpler and based on fewer data.**
- **More scientifically interesting result is the density -  
- its uncertainty is predominantly due to the volume uncertainty.**
- **From ground-based observations using adaptive optics  
plus OSIRIS images from the asteroid fly-by:  
volume estimate<sup>#</sup> =  $(5.0 \pm 0.4) \times 10^5 \text{ km}^3$ .**
- **Bulk density estimate =  $3.2 \pm 0.3 \text{ gcm}^{-3}$ .**

\* Pätzold, M. *et al.*, *Science*, Vol. 334, 491-492, 2011.

# Sierks, H. *et al.*, *Science*, Vol. 334, 487-490, 2011.



**Rosetta Separation distance:  
From Lutetia: 36000 km  
From Saturn: 6.5 AU**