

NASA/MARSHALL SPACE FLIGHT CENTER

JOINT COUNSELING SESSION

SSAI

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Advanced Mission Partners

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Brief Company Overview and History

- Founded in 1977 by Dr. Om Bahethi and Sara Bahethi to support NASA missions
- Headquartered in Lanham, MD
- Longtime partner of NASA, providing science, engineering, and IT services



- Top Work Places 5 years running
- Technology Top Work Place 2024
- Culture Excellence Awards:
 - Work-life Flexibility
 - Compensation & Benefits



Background

COMPANY NAME:	Science Systems and Applications, Inc. (SSAI)	ADDRESS:	10210 Greenbelt Rd, Suite 600, Lanham, MD 20706
OWNER:	Praveen and Shilpa Bahethi	CONTACT NAME:	Chris Williamson
EMAIL:	chris.williamson@ssaihq.com	YEARS IN BUSINESS:	48
CAGE CODE:	5S009	DUNS NUMBER:	087694808
WEB SITE:	www.ssaihq.com	NAICS CODES:	541715, 541330, 541511, 541512, 541513, 541519, 541611, 541620, 541690, 541990

Business Size & Classifications

TOTAL EMPLOYEES:	~512
AVERAGE SALES:	\$150M

CLASSIFICATIONS (select from list below):	Yes/No
SMALL BUSINESS	Yes
SMALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS	No
NATIVE AMERICAN-OWNED	No
ALASKAN NATIVE CORPORATION	No
WOMEN OWNED	Yes
ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED WOMEN OWNED	No
VETERAN-OWNED	No
SERVICE DISABLED VETERAN OWNED	No
HUBZONE CERTIFIED	No
8(A) CERTIFIED	No
8(A) EXPIRATION DATE (if applicable)	N/A

Quality Systems



- ISO 9001: 2015 Certified
- CMMI Level 3 Development Appraised
- CMMC 2.0 Self-evaluated
- AS 9100 Compliant

Marshall Missions and SSAI Skills

MSFC Mission	SSAI Capabilities
Artemis	Space Flight Electronics Hardware Manufacturing, Electrical Electronic Parts Processing, Systems Engineering, AI/ML, Data Analytics/Science/Assimilation, Calibration and Validation (Cal/Val), Planetary Science
Space Launch Systems	Systems integration and verification, AI/ML, Simulation and modeling, real-time data visulation tools, Calibration and Validation (Cal/Val), Mars Weather prediction
Human Launch Systems	Systems integration and verification, AI/ML, Simulation and modeling, real-time data visulation tools, Environmental Modeling, Digital Twins, AI/ML
IXPE	Cal/Val, Data Visualization, Data System Maintenance, AI/ML, ITAR, Cybersecurity
Chandra	Cal/Val, Data System Maintenance, Software development, Scientific Research and Development, Data Visualization
Planetary Mission Program Office	Program Management, Planetary Science, Engineering, Data Systems Modeling and Analysis, Data Visualization
Hinode	Cal/Val, Data Systems modeling and analysis, Data Visualization, Heliophysics, ITAR, cybersecurity
ISS	Earth Science Support, Instrument Support, data analysis and scientific research

Skills & Processes

Engineering

- Systems Engineering/Requirements Development/Verification and Validation
- Avionics Systems Design, Software Engineering (CMMI Level 3 Appraised)
- FPGA Design
- Electrical/Electronic and Electromechanical (EEE) Parts Processing
- System Integration and Testing
- Manufacturing Engineering
- Workmanship certification to ANSI/IPC-J-STD-001F and Space Addendum
- IPC-610 Inspection Standard and IPC-7711/7721 rework and repair standard; Certified to AS 9100 and ITAR Registered
- ANSI S20.20 with ESD control procedures



Missions Supported

- Ocean Color Instrument (OCI) / PACE Mission
- Roman Space Telescope (RST)
- Wide Field Infrared Survey Telescope (WFIRST)
- Lucy Mission (L'Ralph Instrument)
- Capture, Containment and Return System (CCRS) / Mars Sample Return (MSR)
- Space Network (SN) / ACCESS Project
- Dragonfly Mission
- GeoXO Flight Project
- DAVINCI+ Mission
- TSIS-2 Project
- JWST (James Webb Space Telescope)

Skills & Processes

Information Technology

- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Machine Learning (ML) Systems Development
- API Integration
- System Integration and testing
- Web Development
- Cloud solutioning and migration planning
- High Performance Computing
- Cybersecurity Penetration and Vulnerability testing
- Data Science and Data Analysis



Missions Supported

- PACE (Plankton, Aerosol, Cloud, Ocean Ecosystem) Mission
- Crustal Dynamics Data Information System (CDDIS)
- Carbon-Cycle Modeling and Biosphere Studies
- NASA's Black Marble Projects
- ACCESS Projects
- OMI (Ozone Modeling Instrument)
- Deep Learning Academy (Corporate Program Supporting Multiple Missions)
- SCENIC Mission (Spaceborne Hyperspectral Imager on ISS)
- JEDI (Joint Effort for Data assimilation Integration) System
- GMAO (Global Modeling and Assimilation Office) Operational Systems

Skills & Processes

Science

- Data Assimilation
- Remote Sensing
- Oceanography
- Hydrology
- Biosphere Modeling
- Weather Forecasting and Prediction
- Space Weather
- Observing System Simulation Experiment (OSSE) for Mars



Missions Supported

- Ozone Monitoring Instrument (OMI)
- Ozone Mapping and Profiler Suite (OMPS)
- Cloud-Aerosol Transport System (CATS-ISS)
- Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS)
- VIIRS (Visible Infrared Imaging Radiometer Suite)
- Multi-angle Imaging SpectroRadiometer (MISR)
- EPIC (Earth Polychromatic Imaging Camera)
- Cloud Physics Lidar (CPL)
- ICESat-2
- AVIRIS-NG (Airborne Visible/Infrared Imaging Spectrometer – Next Generation)
- TROPOMI (Tropospheric Monitoring Instrument)
- Geostationary Environment Monitoring Spectrometer (GEMS)

Skills & Processes

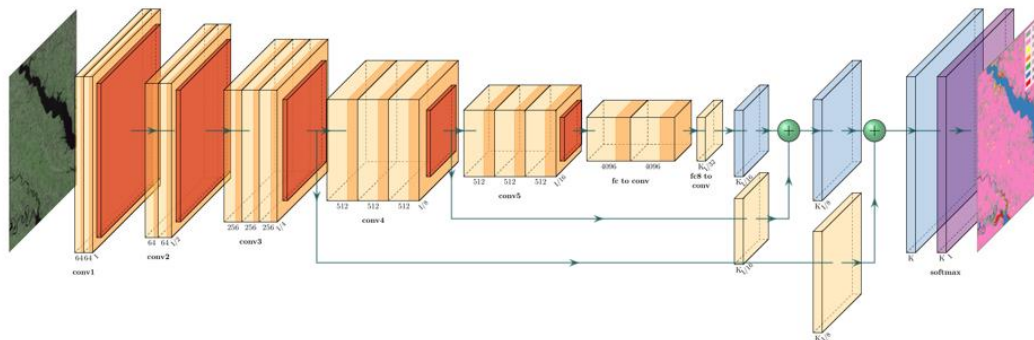
AI/ML

Skills:

- Advanced Data Processing: Clean, extract, and analyze complex datasets efficiently.
- Embedded AI: Onboard, real-time decision-making for satellite systems.
- NLP & LLMs: Custom chatbots and automated reporting tools.
- Deep Learning Models: CNNs, RNNs, transformers for scientific analysis.
- Unsupervised Learning: Anomaly detection and pattern recognition.
- Transfer Learning: Adapt AI models to new missions and datasets.

Processes:

- End-to-End AI Pipeline: From data discovery to deployment.
- Cloud & Automation: Scalable infrastructure and automated pipelines.
- Workforce Development: AI/ML training through SSAI's Deep Learning Academy.
- Custom AI Solutions: Tools for digital twins, anomaly detection, embedded systems.
- Cross-Mission Support: AI/ML applied across NASA and USGS science missions.





Platform developed by SSAI scientists

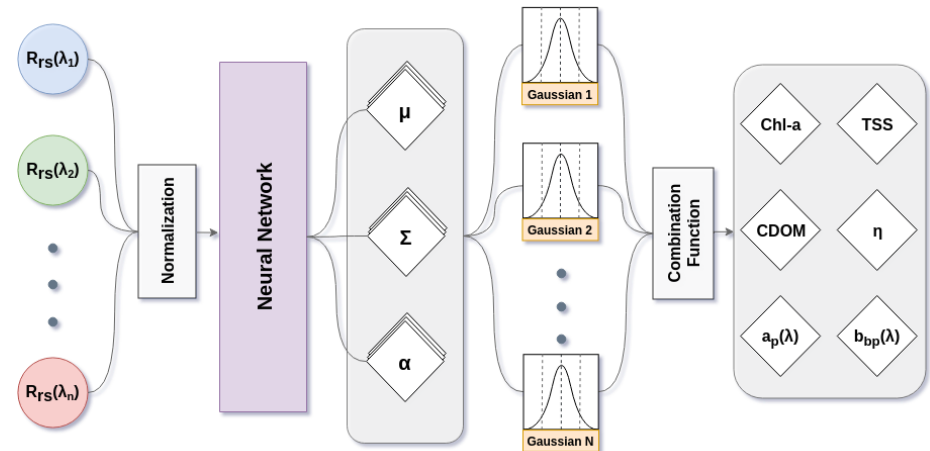
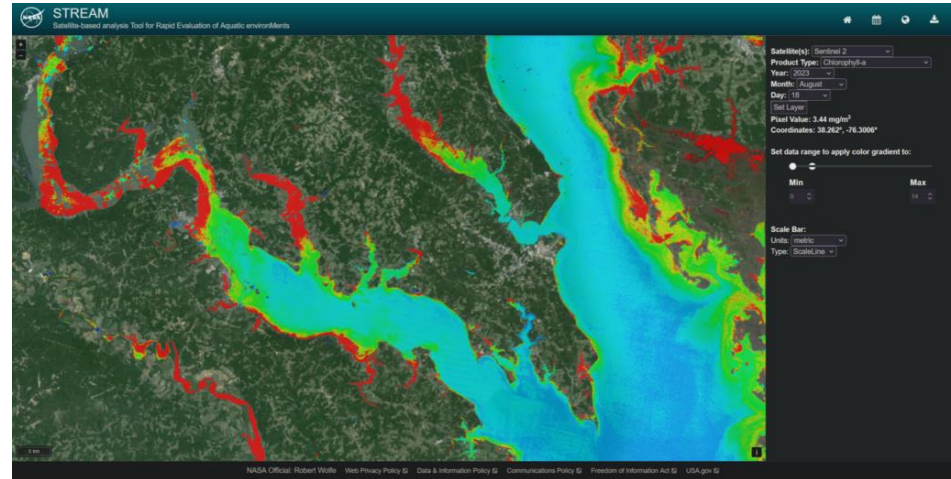
as part of NASA-funded projects, which offers globally validated water quality products to end-users.

Leverages Mixture Density Networks

– a type of ML neural network model – to transform satellite observations into usable data products for water quality monitoring.

STREAM enables low-latency detection

of anomalous water quality conditions via water quality map visualization, pixel value identification, and time-series plotting of pixels and regions.





Coupled Reusable Earth System Tensor (CREST) Framework

An AI-enabled Python-based Digital Twin Framework

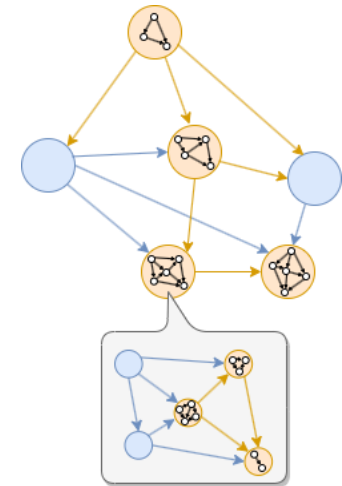
Rather than standalone forecasts, [Earth System Digital Twins](#) are envisioned as continuously updated digital replicas of the Earth system that aim to answer three foundational questions:

- What now?* Nowcast or present state of the system
- What next?* Forecast of short-to-medium term dynamics
- What if?* Explore alternate futures under scenarios like deforestation or warming

Community-Based — make it easy to organize and connect the efforts of a diverse community spread across different groups and organization (particularly models).

Interoperable — support the integration of both AI/ML-based and traditional modeling technologies.

Accessible — a system that is always online, updating, and reachable through a web-portal and web-based user interface where end-users interact with it.



Customers

- NASA Goddard Space Flight Center
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)
- Los Angeles World Airport (LAWA)
- USGS
- NOAA



Manufacturing & Machining

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Manufacturing

- 32,000 sq. ft. electronics manufacturing facility
- Printed circuit board (PCB) design, sourcing, fabrication, testing, and validation
- State-of-the-art equipment for intricate FPGA board repairs
- Secure facility with cleared personnel
- ESD-protected manufacturing floor
- 3 clean rooms available for independent customer testing, validation, and verification



Machining

- 10,000 sq. ft. machine shop located <2 miles from NASA Goddard
- Produces Mil-I-45208A and Mil-std-45662 compliant mechanical parts and assemblies
- Equipped with 4 CNC machines and multiple manual lathes, presses, and mills
- Staffed by 6 certified aerospace machinists
- 7 3D printing machines for rapid prototyping in various materials

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**We appreciate the opportunity!
Any questions?**