# Analisi dati del bolide di San Valentino

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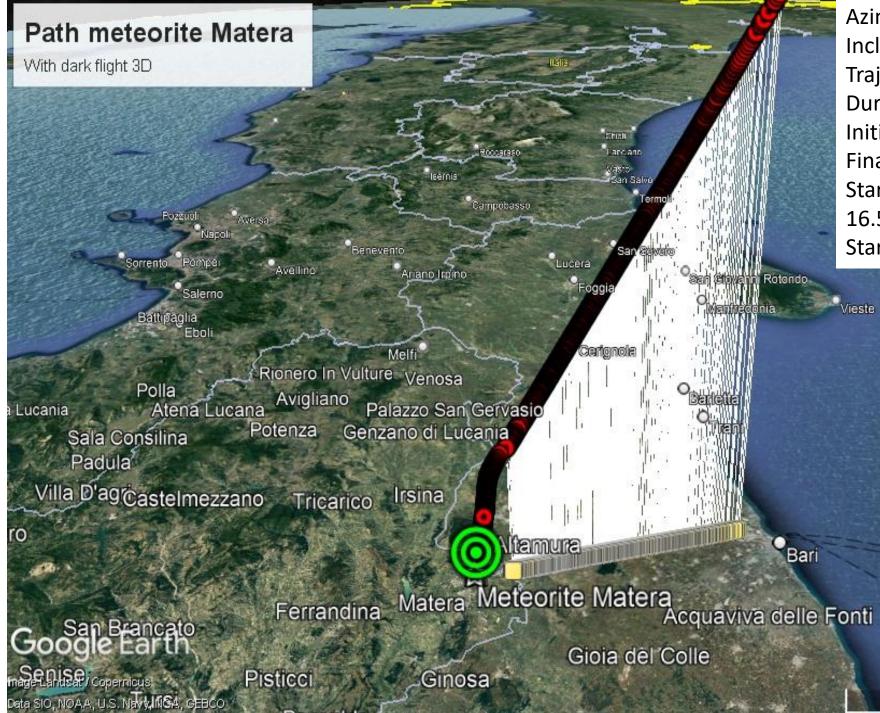
An event similar to the Cavezzo bolide occurred on Saint's Valentine Day of 2023 at 17:58:29 UT over the Puglia and Basilicata regions and was recorded by three PRISMA cameras

• Low pre-atmospheric speed (16.4  $\pm$  0.2 km/s), high inclination (56.7  $\pm$  0.3°), absolute magnitude -11

Triangulation

			Beginning	Ending
Time	t	(UT)	17:58:29.54	17:58:34.89
Latitude	$\phi$	[deg N]	$41.0893 \pm 0.0006$	$40.7496 \pm 0.0006$
Longitude	$\lambda$	[deg E]	$16.8053 \pm 0.0004$	$16.5996 \pm 0.0004$
Height	H	[km]	$85.5\pm0.1$	$22.8\pm0.1$
Speed	V	[km/s]	$16.3\pm0.1$	$3\pm1$
Time of Flight	ToF	[s]	$5.34\pm0.05$	
Trajectory Length	L	[km]	$75.0\pm0.1$	
Trajectory Inclination	$\gamma$	[deg]	$56.7\pm0.3$	
Trajectory Azimuth	a	[deg]	$24.3\pm0.1$	
Min. Abs. Magnitude	$\mathcal{M}_{min}$	[/]	$\textbf{-11.1}\pm0.1$	

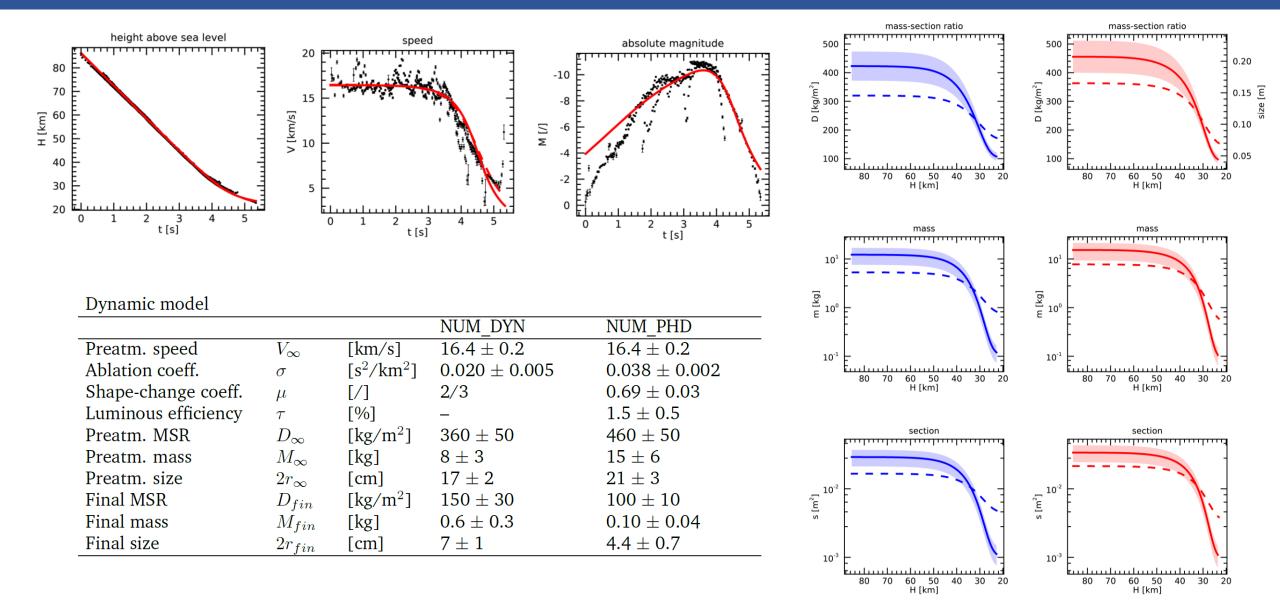




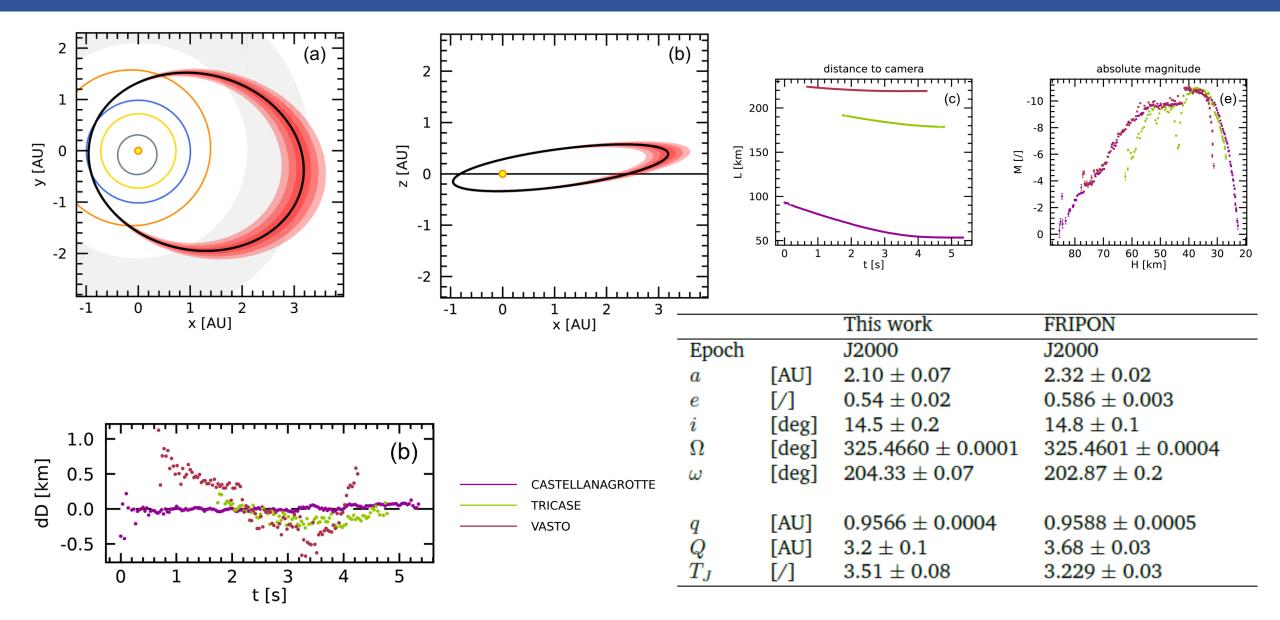
Azimut: 23° (NE-SW) Inclination: 57° Trajectory path: 77 km Duration: 5.3 s Initial height: 90 km Final height: 22.5 km Starting speed in atmosphere: 16.5 km/s Starting mass: 2-3 kg

50 km

## **Dynamic model**

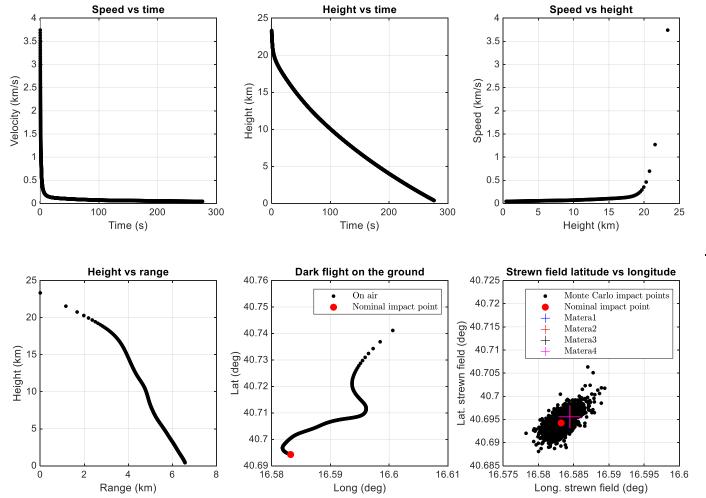


#### **Pre-atmospheric orbit of Matera**



## Dark flight model

Dark flight and strewn field model IT20230214



On the left the model for the **dark flight** path of the Matera meteorite (for a mass of about 70 g), computed taking into account the **wind speed and direction** from about 22.5 km to the ground. Model equation:

$$\frac{d\vec{v}_m}{dt} = -GMm\frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} - \Gamma\rho_a \left|\vec{v}_m - \vec{W}\right| A\left(\vec{v}_m - \vec{W}\right)$$

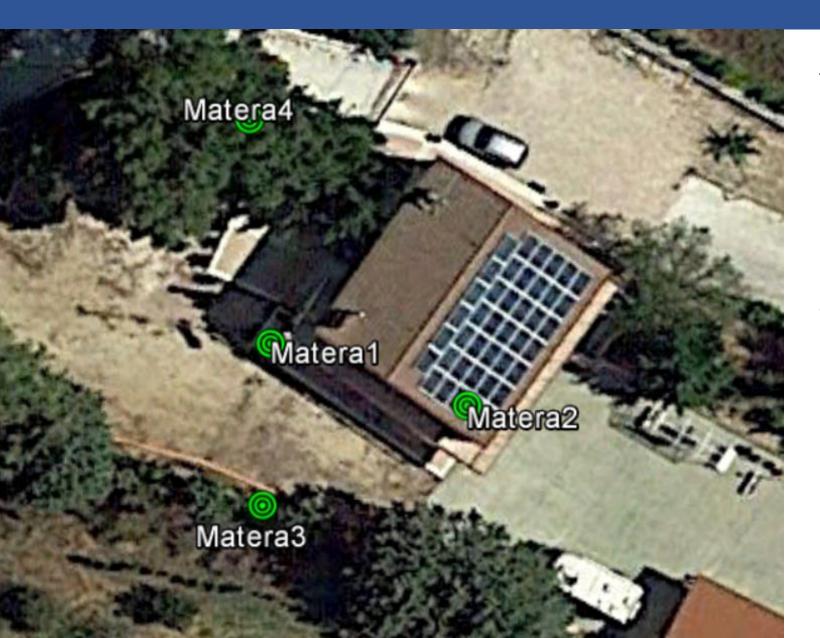
In this equation  $\Gamma$  is the drag coefficient,  $\rho_a$  is the atmospheric density, A is the area of the meteoroid,  $v_m$  is the speed of the meteoroid and W is the wind speed.

## **Discovery of Matera 1**



- Carmelo Falco, of the PRISMA Project Office, went to Matera on February 17, 2023 to organize the systematic search for meteorites, in coordination with various local associations.
- In the evening of the same day he is contacted by the brothers Gianfranco and Pino Losignore, who report the discovery of various rock fragments and impact damage at their home at the time of fireball fall.

#### Matera strewn-field



The strewn field of the Matera meteorite. It is an ordinary chondrite H-type, with cavities inside.

Overall there are 4 main fragments, with a total mass of about 117 grams.

### Some damage caused by meteorite impact

