



17912 - Mapping Spatially Resolved Neutral H In Strongly Lensed Quasar Host Galaxies With Narrowband Lyman-alpha

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VISITS

<i>Visit</i>	<i>Targets used in Visit</i>	<i>Configurations used in Visit</i>	<i>Orbits Used</i>	<i>Last Orbit Planner Run</i>	<i>OP Current with Visit?</i>
01	(1) SDSSJ1029+2623	ACS/WFC	3	05-Feb-2025 10:00:27.0	yes
02	(2) SDSSJ2222+2745	ACS/WFC	5	05-Feb-2025 10:00:28.0	yes
03	(3) SDSSJ0909+4449	ACS/WFC	5	05-Feb-2025 10:00:29.0	yes
04	(4) COOLJ0335-1927	ACS/WFC	4	05-Feb-2025 10:00:30.0	yes
05	(4) COOLJ0335-1927	ACS/WFC	4	05-Feb-2025 10:00:30.0	yes
06	(5) SDSSJ1326+4806	ACS/WFC	3	05-Feb-2025 10:00:31.0	yes

24 Total Orbits Used

ABSTRACT

Large-separation ($r > 10''$) lensed quasars are extremely rare, but provide opportunities to zoom in maximally on quasar host galaxies. With magnification factors of $\sim 20+$, these systems enable studies that are impossible with quasars in the field, or even lower magnification galaxy-quasar lens systems. Lyman-alpha emission scatters resonant off of neutral hydrogen, and so its physical extent and distribution therefore provides a direct tracer of the neutral H gas content in galaxies. We propose to leverage the uniquely powerful combination of HST optical narrowband imaging (to isolate Lyman-alpha) and strong gravitational lensing to directly image the spatial distribution of neutral H on $\sim < 100-200$ pc physical scales within five quasar host galaxies at $z=1.9-3.3$. Archival HST+JWST broadband imaging constrains the spatially resolved stellar populations, providing maps of ionizing photon production from the stars so that we can robustly compare Lyman-alpha production against the Lyman-alpha narrowband imaging to quantify spatially resolved Lyman-alpha escape. The extreme magnifications allows for a clean separation of quasar vs host galaxy light to within $\sim 100-200$ parsecs of the central AGN engines. The resulting high resolution narrowband Lyman-alpha imaging data will be unobtainable with any near term facility once HST ceases operations, and will hold substantial legacy value that will enhance future spatially resolved NIR spectroscopic studies of these quasar host galaxies.

OBSERVING DESCRIPTION

This is a program to use the tunable ramp filters on ACS/WFC to obtain narrowband imaging of redshifted Lyman alpha from a sample of wide-separation strongly lensed quasars (WSLQs) and their host galaxies. Broadband HST imaging to measure the Lyman-alpha-free continuum emission is available in the archive for all targets.

Proposal 17912 (STScI Edit Number: 0, Created: Wednesday, February 5, 2025, 10:00:31AM Eastern Standard Time) - Overview

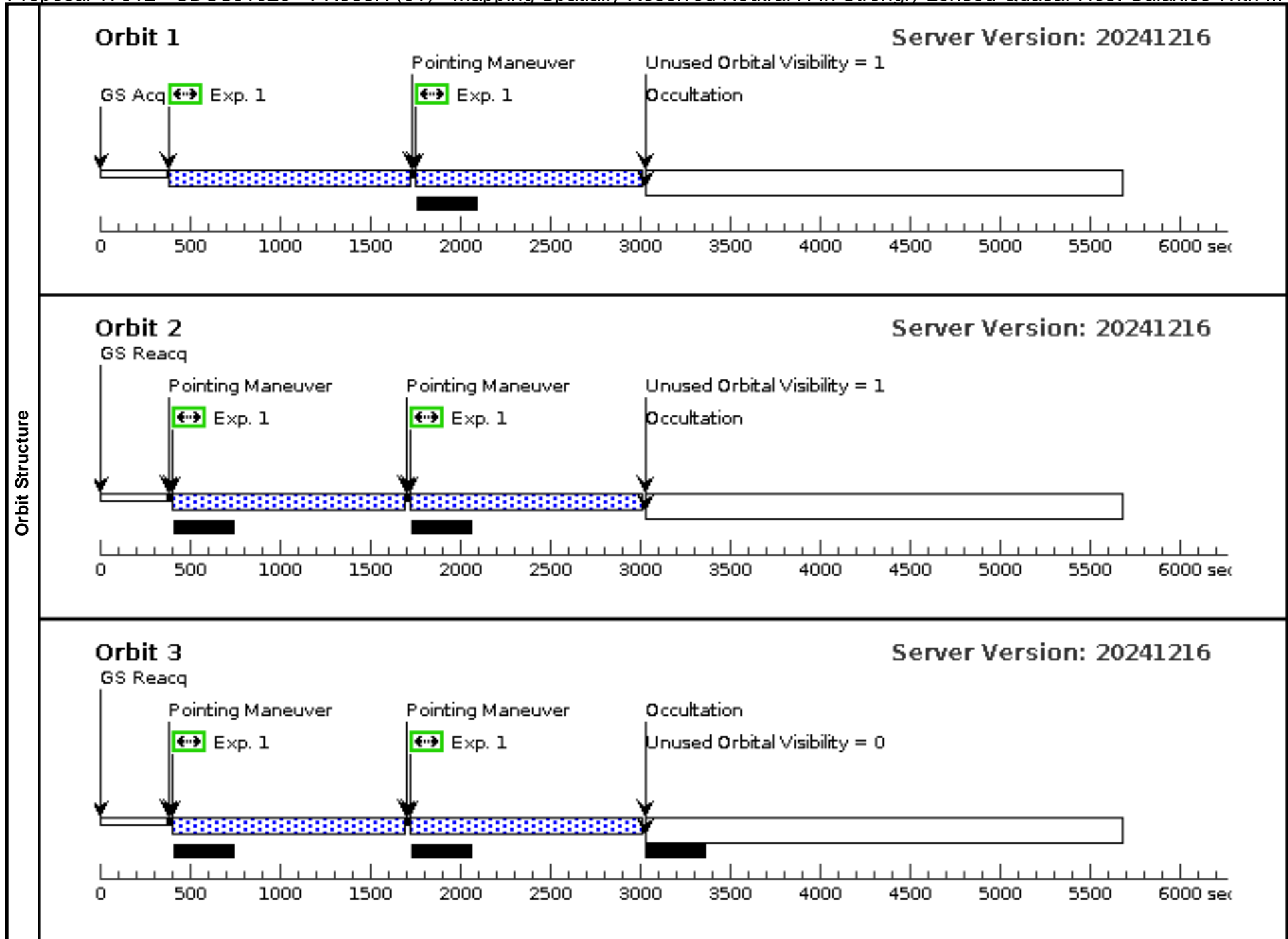
Each target is a strong lensing system with multiple highly magnified images of background quasars, with those multiple images separated by as much as 26" on the sky. The ACS ramp filters provide uniform narrowband throughput over regions of the sky approximately 40"x60" in size, which means that all of the lensed images of each of the WSLQ targets will easily fit within the ramp filter field of view.

The observational setup for this program is fairly simple - we're taking a few long integrations on each field in the appropriate narrowband filter. Four of the five targets will be observed with half-orbit integrations, and one target (The highest redshift one) will be observed with 8 full-orbit integrations. The 8 full-orbit integrations should be sufficient to remove cosmic rays even from the very long exposures.

Proposal 17912 - SDSSJ1029 - FR388N (01) - Mapping Spatially Resolved Neutral H In Strongly Lensed Quasar Host Galaxies With ...

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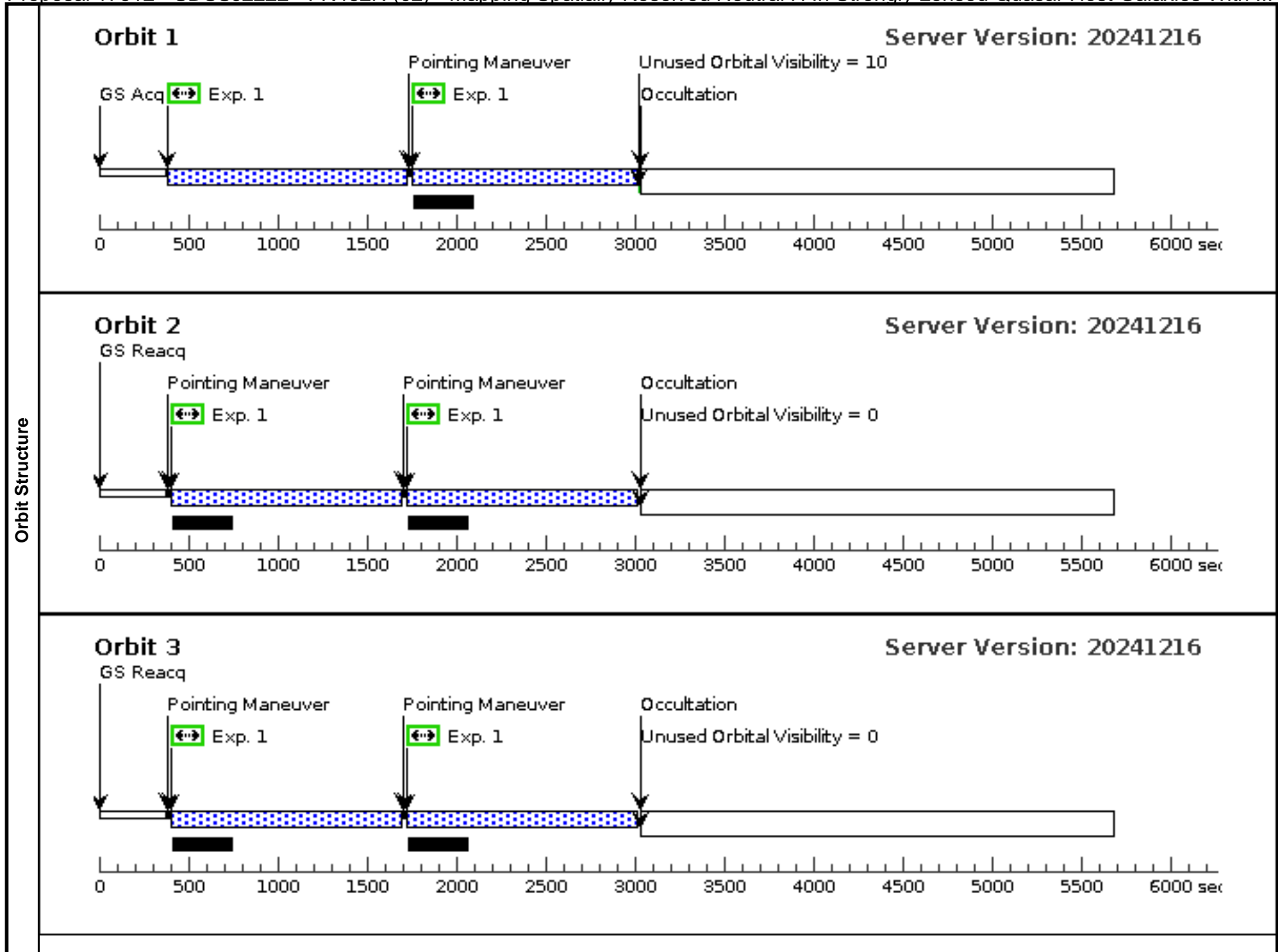
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Exposures	#	Label	Target	Config,Mode,Aperture	Spectral Els.	Opt. Params.	Special Reqs.	Groups	Exp. Time (Total)/[Actual Dur.]	Orbit
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Proposal 17912 - SDSSJ2222 - FR462N (02) - Mapping Spatially Resolved Neutral H In Strongly Lensed Quasar Host Galaxies With ...

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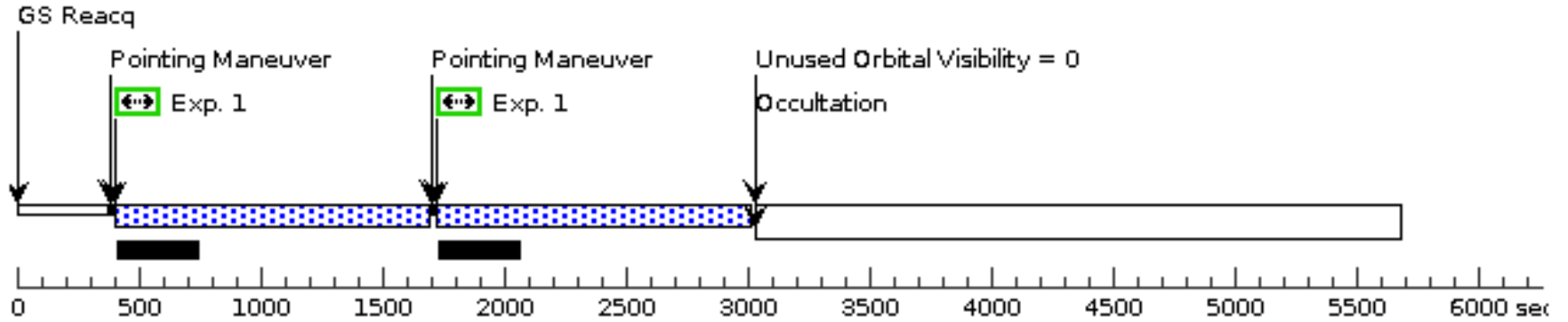
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Diagnosics										
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	1	(2) SDSSJ2222+2745 5	ACS/WFC, ACCUM, WFC2-ORAMP	FR462N 4640 A	FLASH=9			Pattern 5, Exps 1-1 in SDSSJ2222 - FR462N (02) (5)	1100 Secs (11556 Secs) [==>1127.0 Secs (Pattern 1,1)] [==>1127.0 Secs (Pattern 1,2)] [==>1163.0 Secs (Pattern 1,3)] [==>1163.0 Secs (Pattern 1,4)] [==>1162.0 Secs (Pattern 1,5)] [==>1162.0 Secs (Pattern 2,1)] [==>1163.0 Secs (Pattern 2,2)] [==>1163.0 Secs (Pattern 2,3)] [==>1163.0 Secs (Pattern 2,4)] [==>1163.0 Secs (Pattern 2,5)]	[1] [2] [3] [4] [5]



Orbit Structure

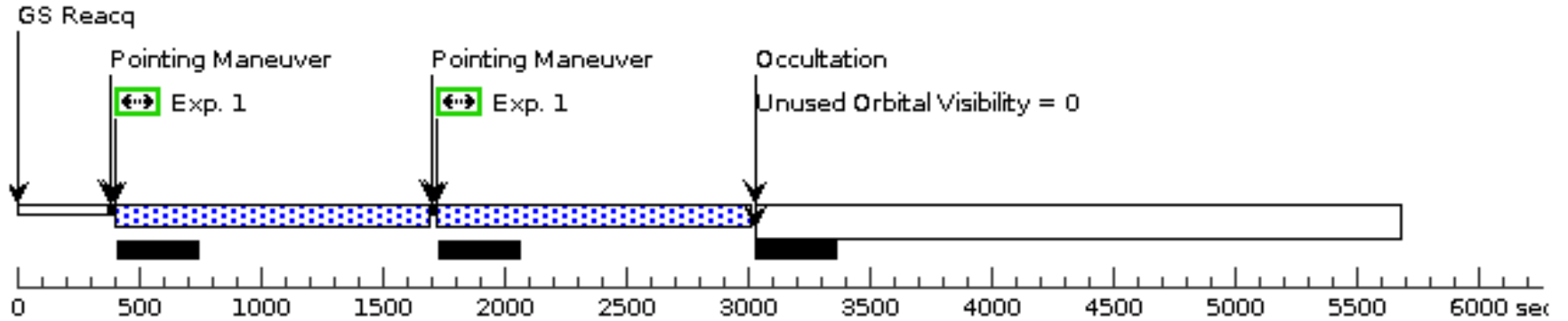
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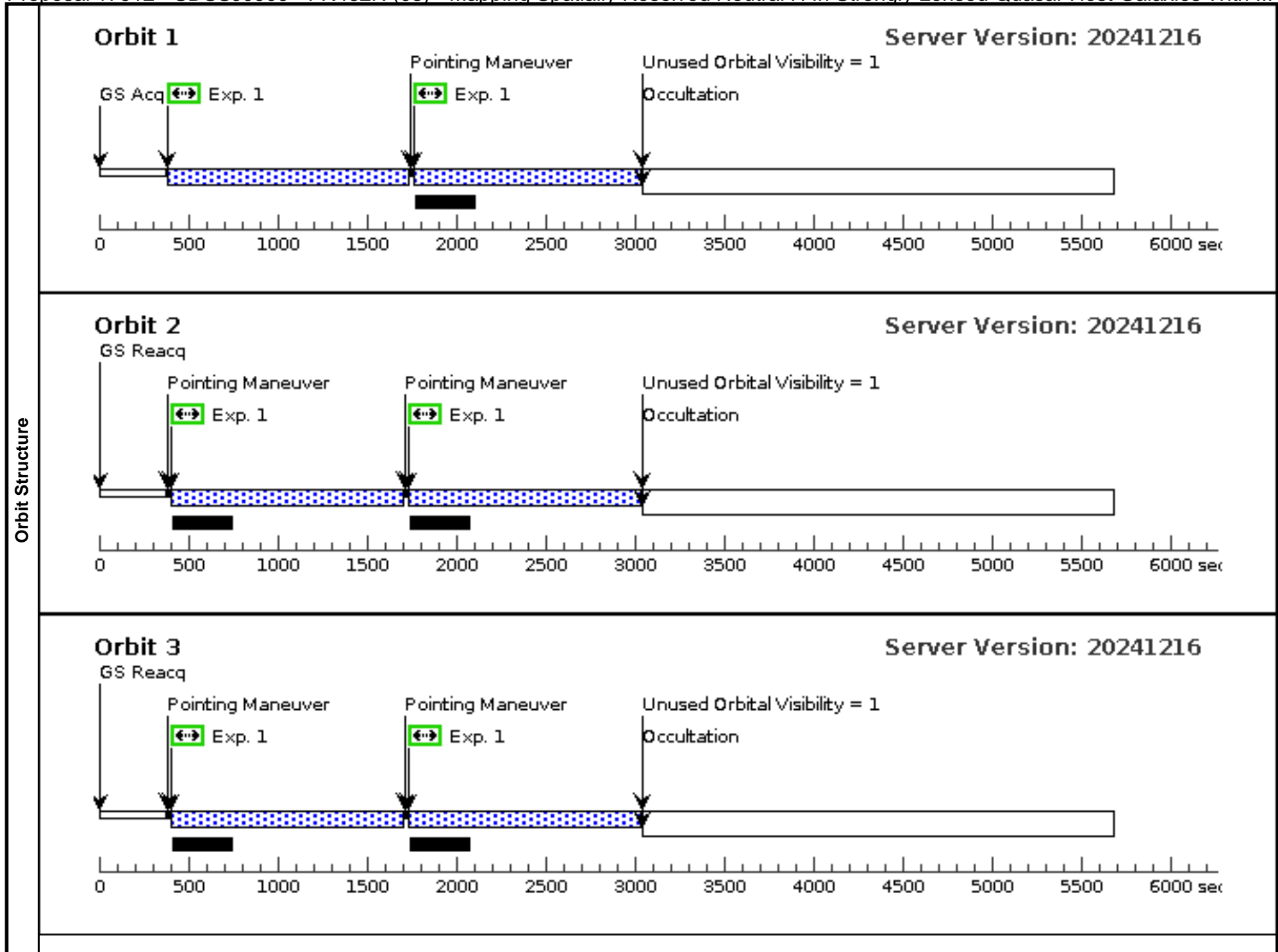
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Proposal 17912 - SDSSJ0909 - FR462N (03) - Mapping Spatially Resolved Neutral H In Strongly Lensed Quasar Host Galaxies With ...

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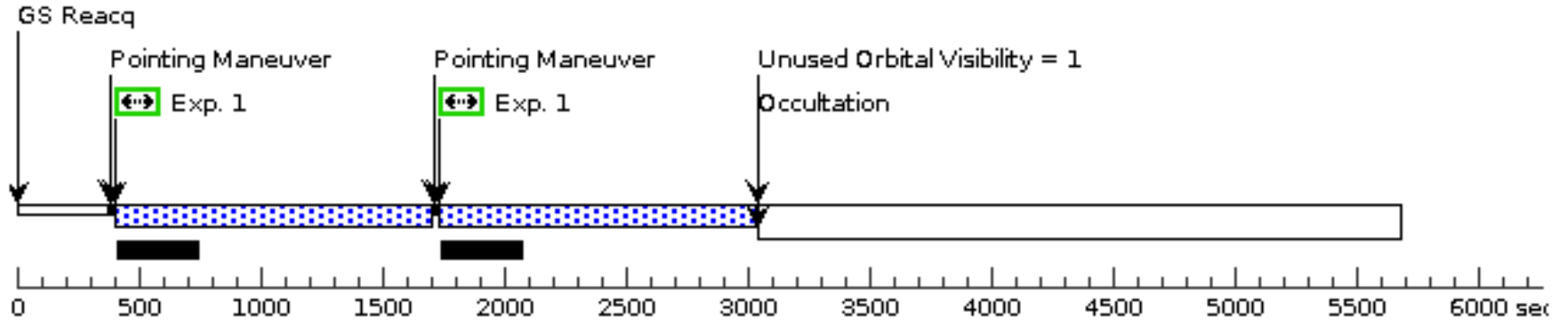
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Diagnosics										
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Exposures	#	Label	Target	Config,Mode,Aperture	Spectral Els.	Opt. Params.	Special Reqs.	Groups	Exp. Time (Total)/[Actual Dur.]	Orbit
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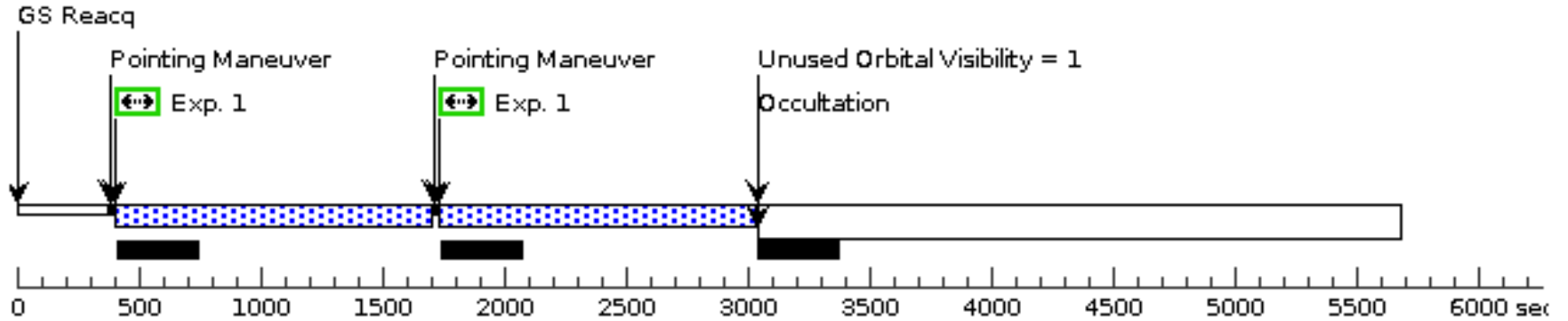
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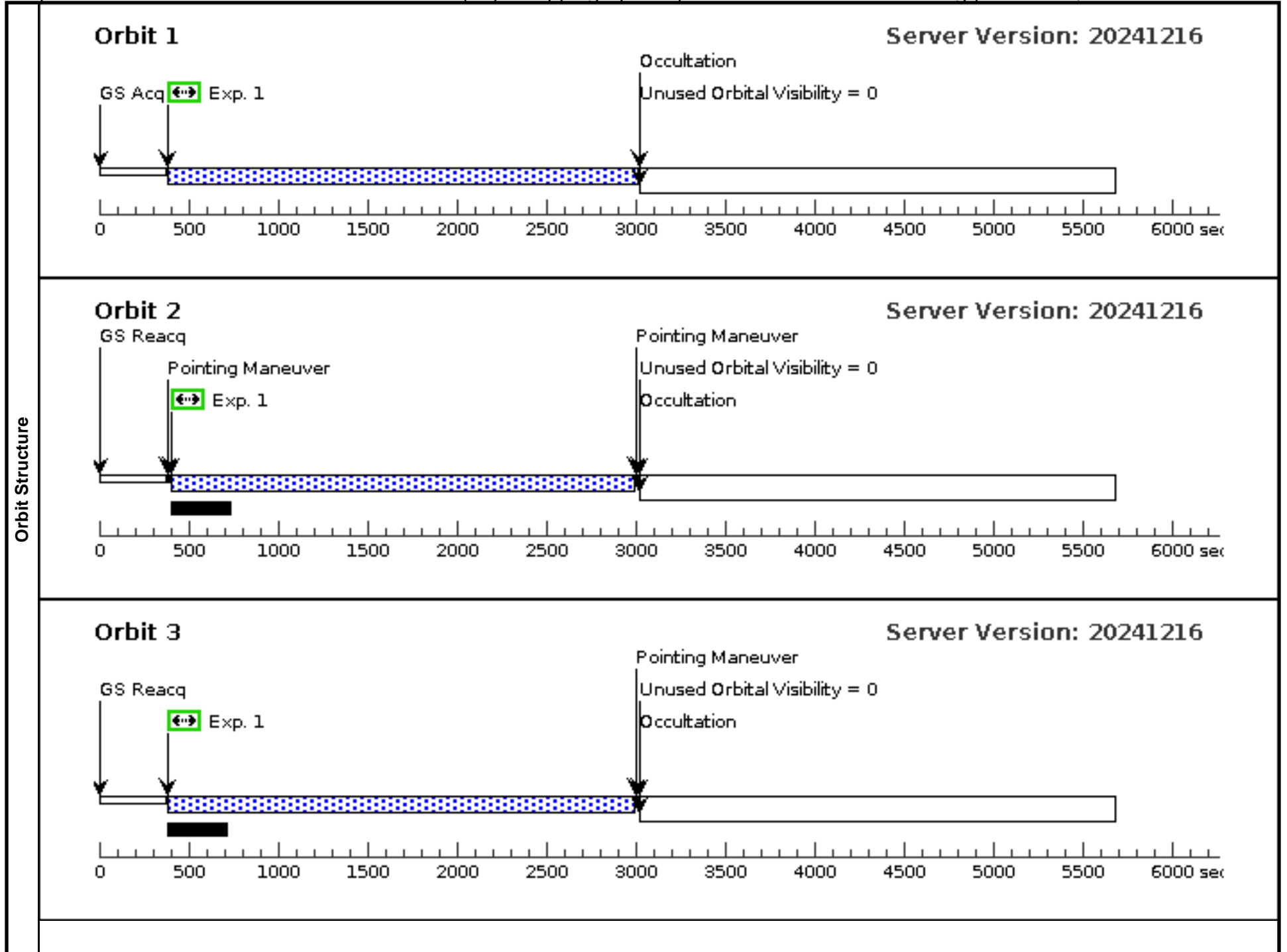
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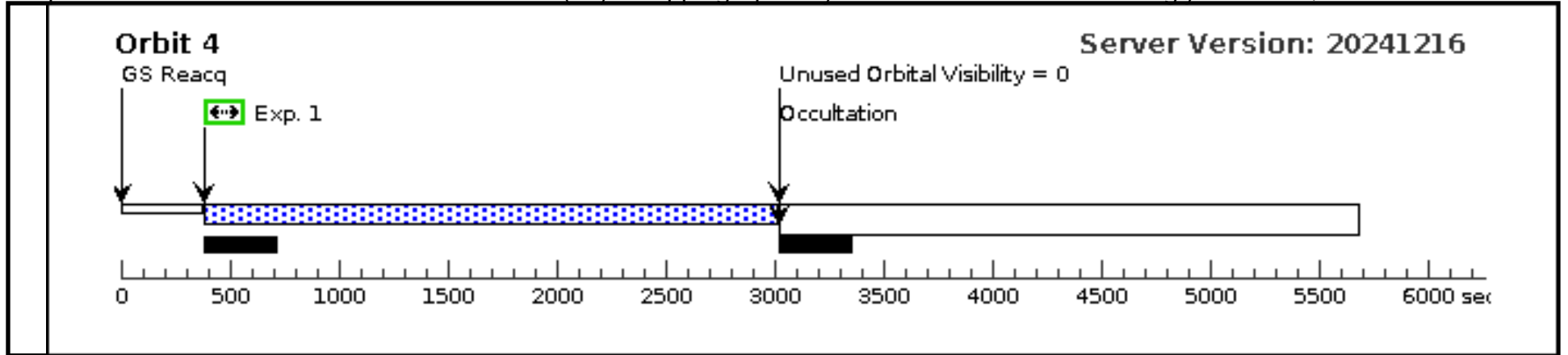


Proposal 17912 - COOLJ0335 - FR505N Visit A (04) - Mapping Spatially Resolved Neutral H In Strongly Lensed Quasar Host Galaxie...

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Diagnosics										
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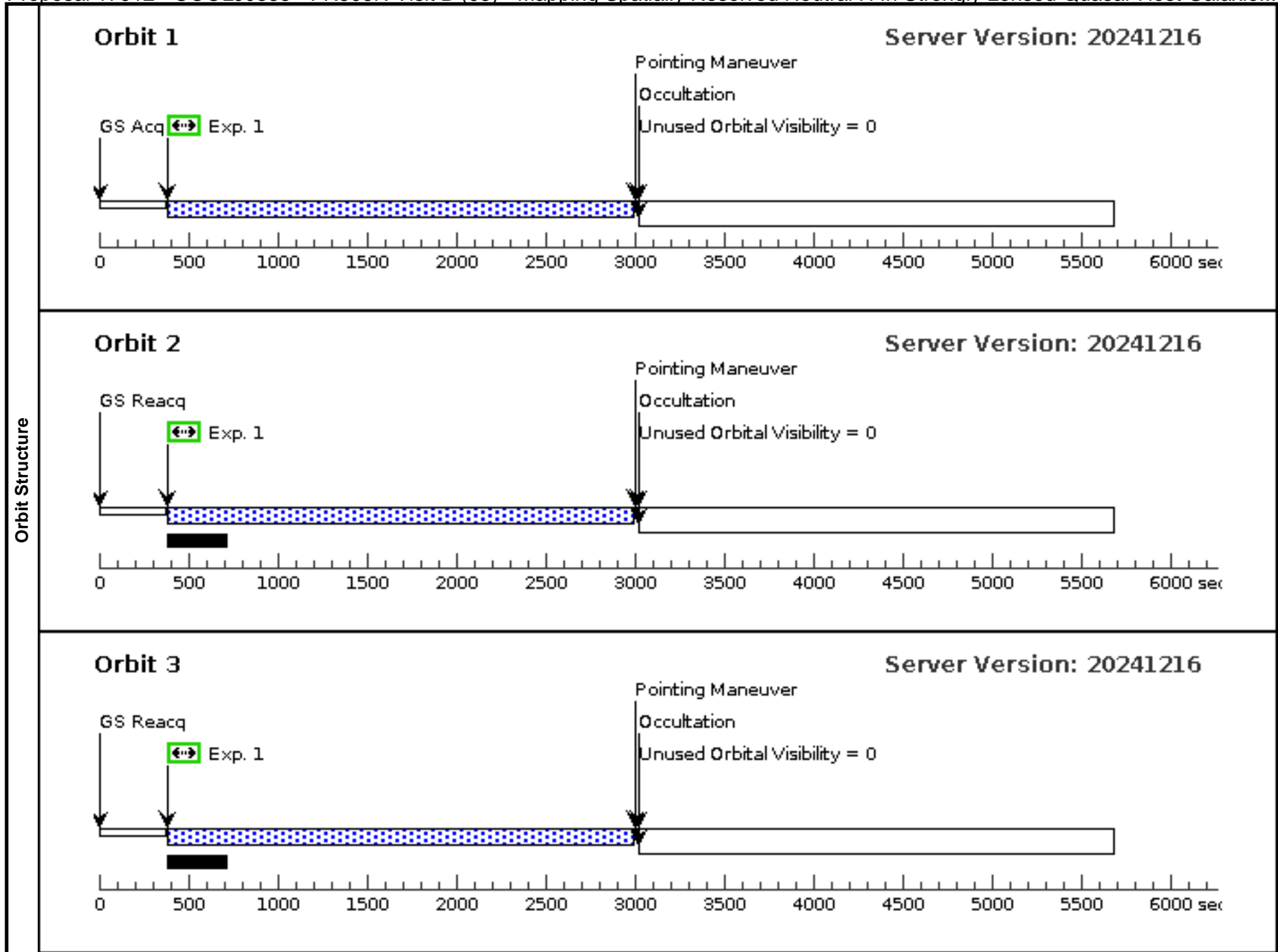




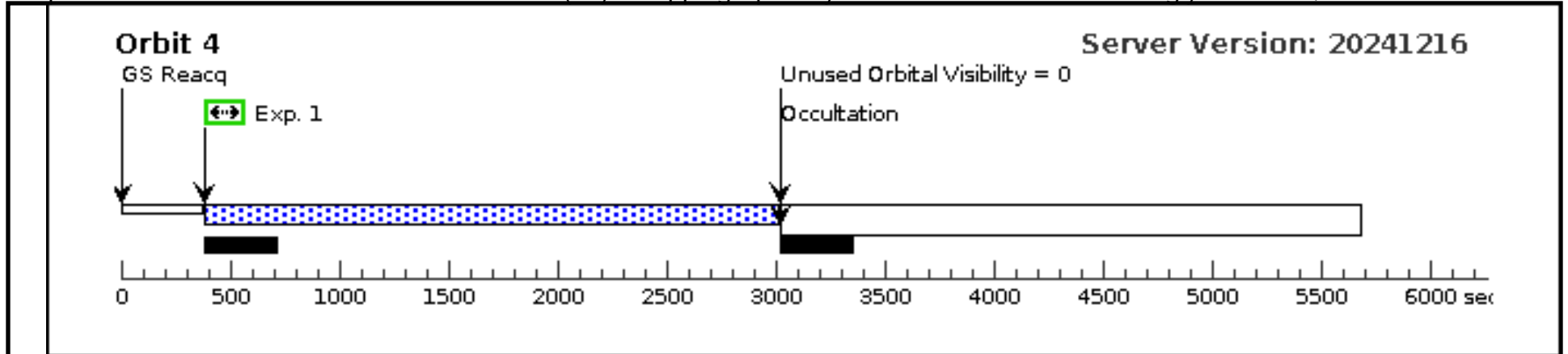
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Proposal 17912 - SDSSJ1326 - FR388N (06) - Mapping Spatially Resolved Neutral H In Strongly Lensed Quasar Host Galaxies With ...

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