

Attitude Determination and Control for PACE

-Platform for Attitude Control Experiment

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Mission



The mission of the PACE project is to offer students opportunities to experience the whole development process of satellite design, analysis, assembly, integration, test, launch and operation.

- **Primary experiment**

Perform three-axis stabilization of a pico-class satellite.

- **Secondary experiment**

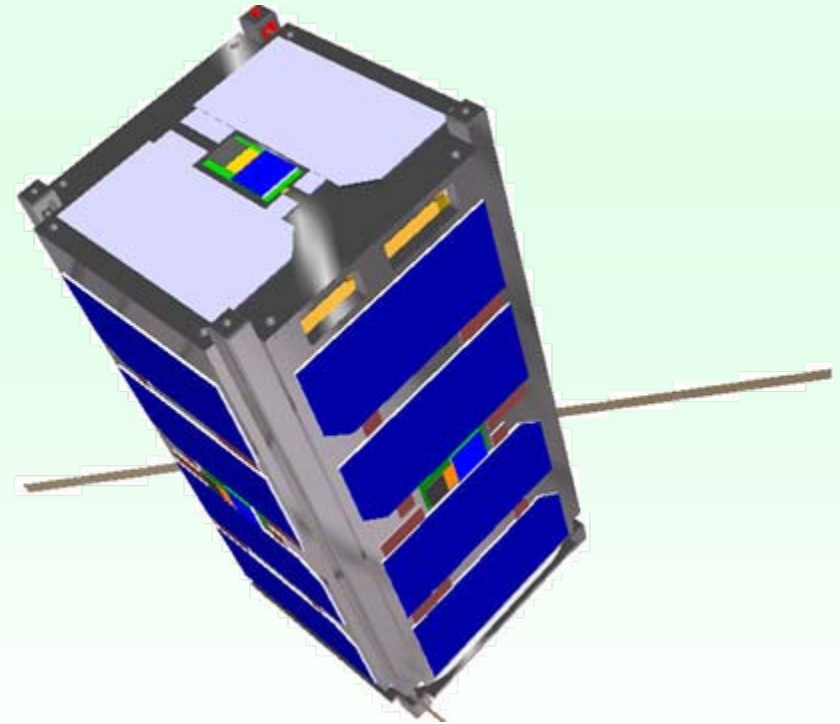
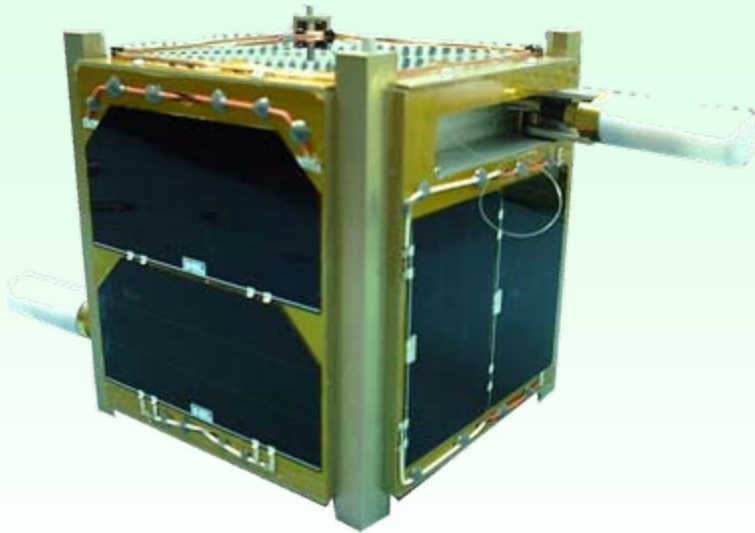
Verify self-made MEMS sensors for space applications.



CubeSat Research in Taiwan

NSPO : YAMSAT (2001-2002)

NCKU : PACE (2003-)

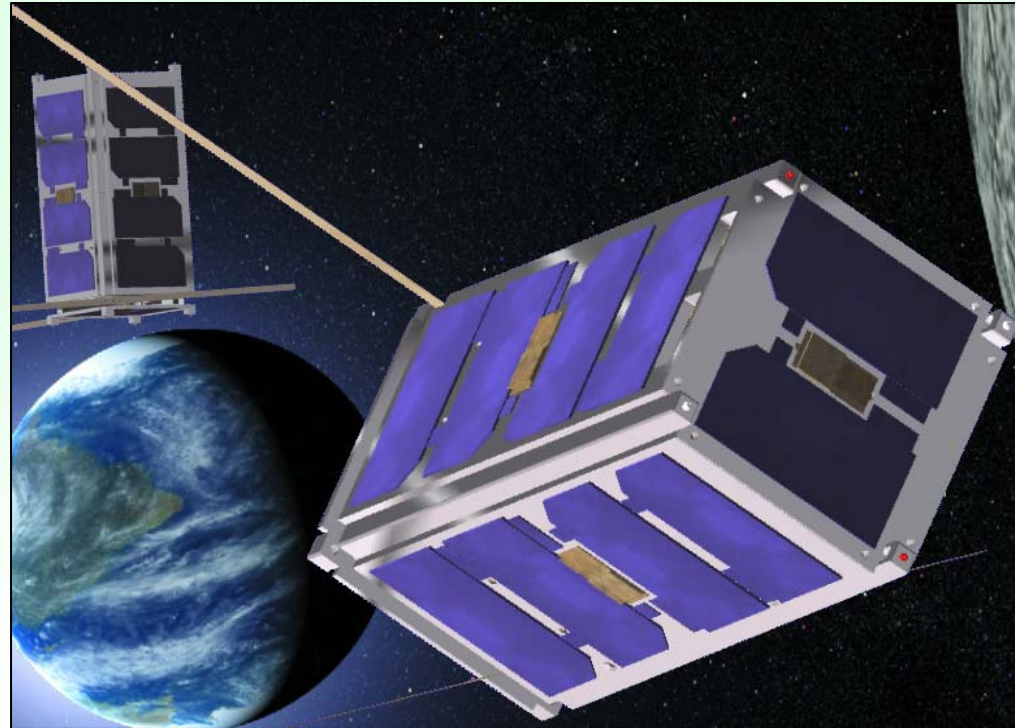




PACE Overview

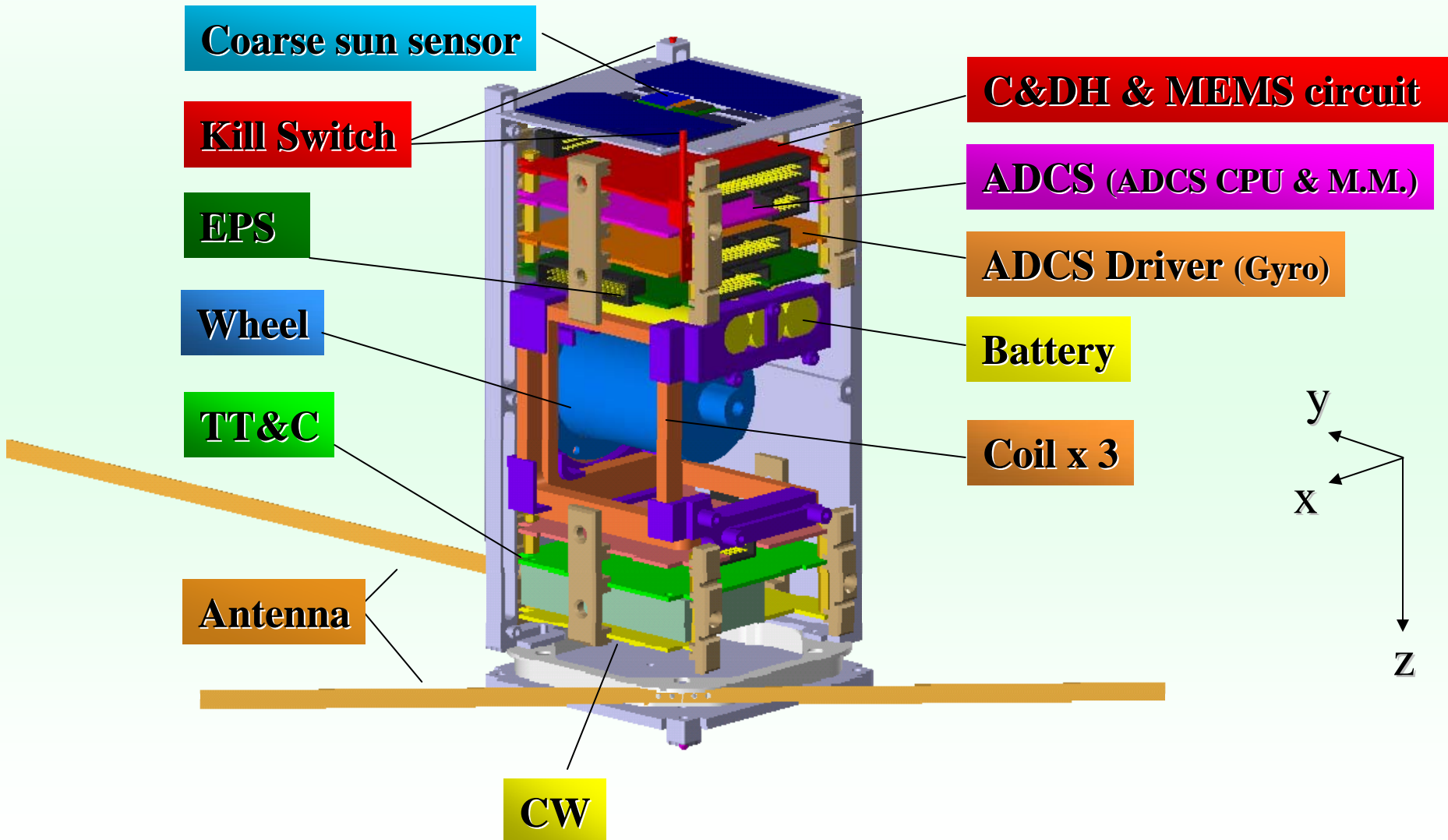


- **A double cube design**
- **Three-axis stabilization requirement**
 - Pointing accuracy 5°
- **Two CPU design**
 - 8051-based: C&DH and ADCS
- **MEMS sensor demonstration**
 - Coarse sun sensor
 - Temperature sensor





PACE Configuration



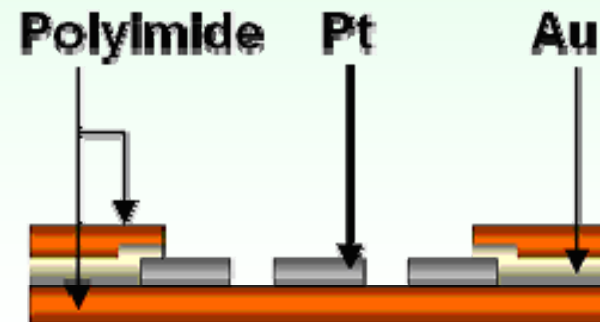
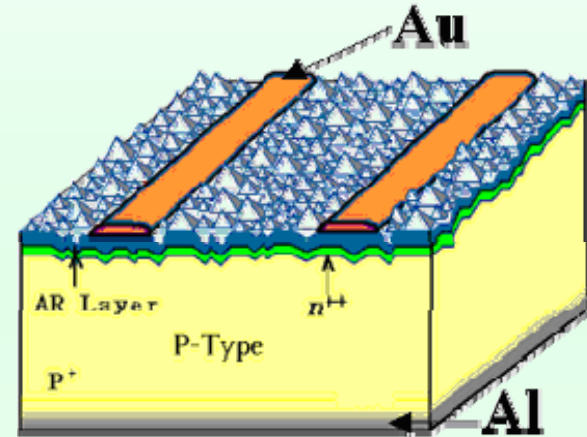


MEMS Payload



To test and verify self-made MEMS sensors in space environment.

- **MEMS coarse sun sensors**
 - Assist attitude determination
- **Flexible skin temperature sensors**
 - Validation of passive thermal control
 - Monitoring of PACE SOH

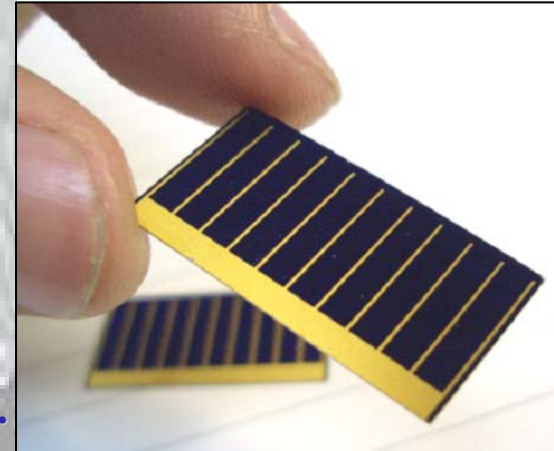




MEMS Coarse Sun Sensor

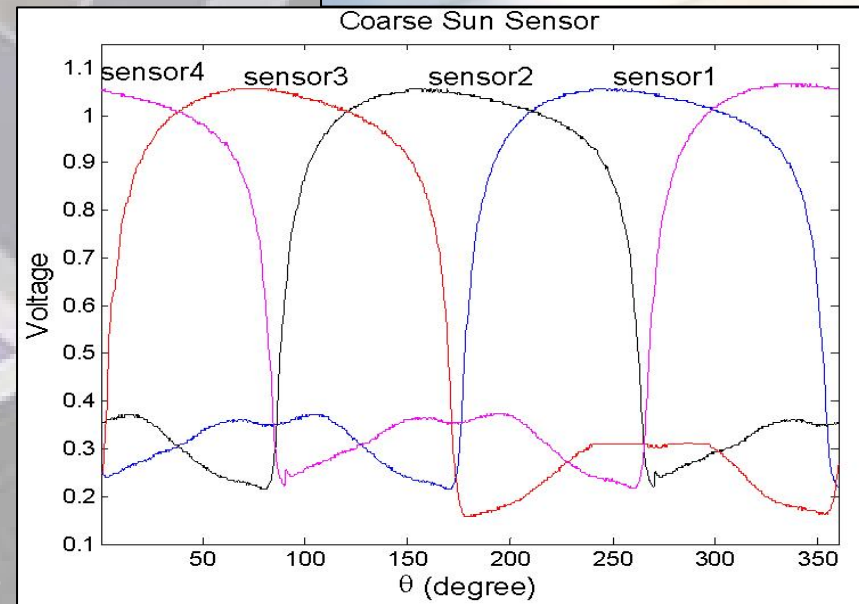


The present sensor was developed from single-crystalline silicon solar cells.



Finished products.

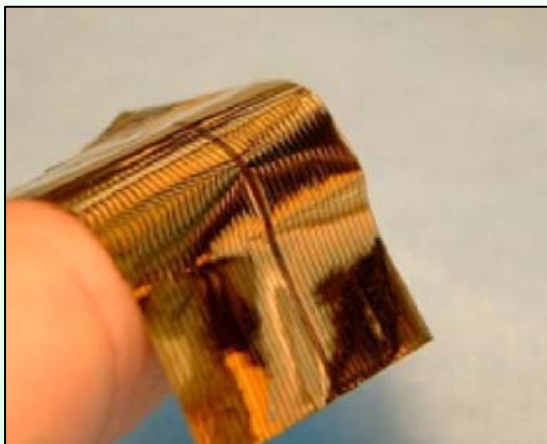
The sensors are placed on the out surfaces of four outside-walls and top-wall. Attitude information can be deduced from the signal of the sensor.



Angle performance.



MEMS Temperature Sensor

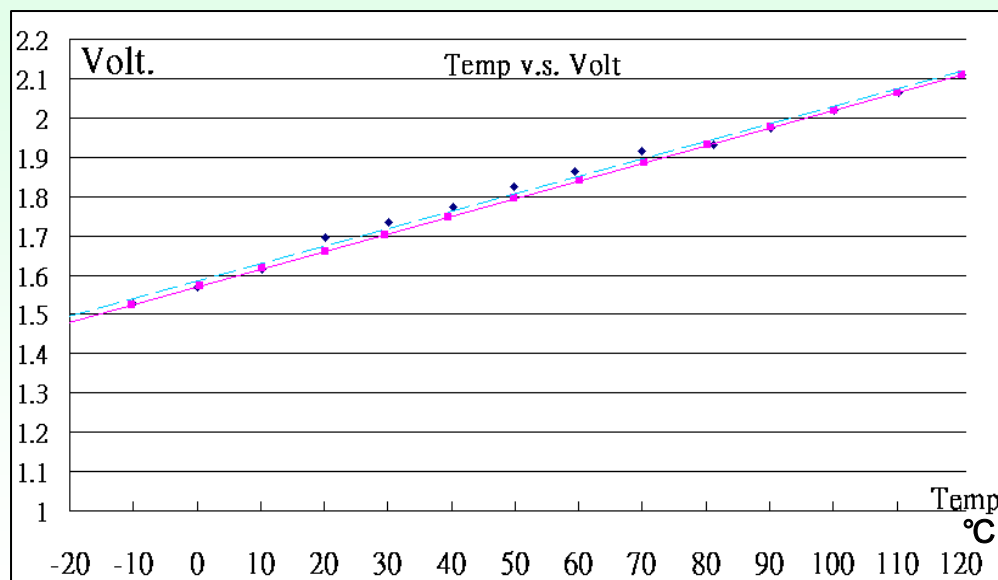


Platinum resistors as sensing materials are sandwiched between two polyimide layers.

Flex. skin sensor finished products.

MEMS platinum resistor temperature sensor has **linear output** and a **sensitivity of 4.5 mV/°C**

The performance of temperature sensor.





Structure and Thermal Analysis



➤ Stress & Dynamic Analysis

Lateral mode : 652 Hz >> 25Hz

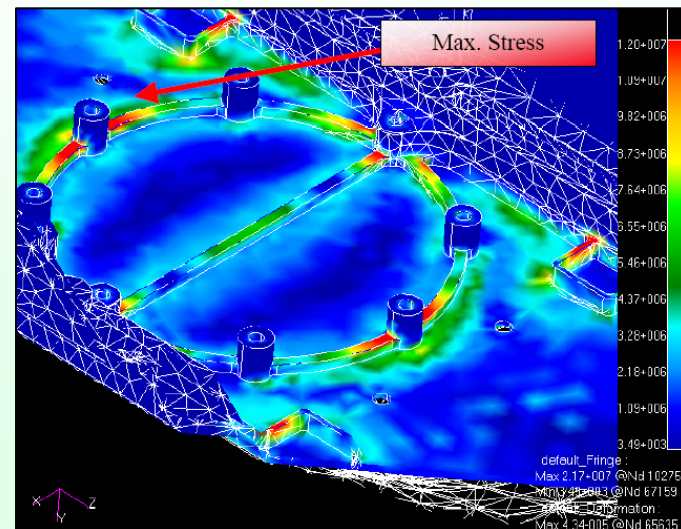
Longitudinal mode : 1079Hz >> 40Hz

Yielding stress : 440MPa >> 30~40MPa

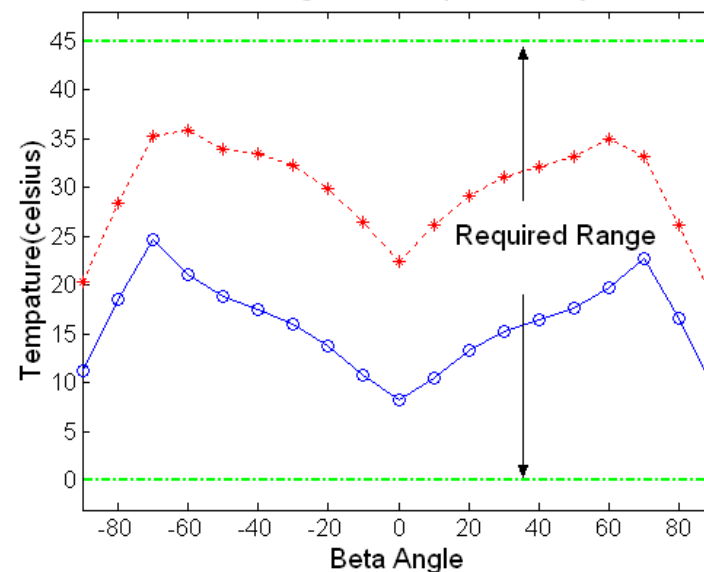
➤ Thermal Analysis

Worst hot and cold analysis with ADCS
3-axis stabilization requirement

The results are acceptable.

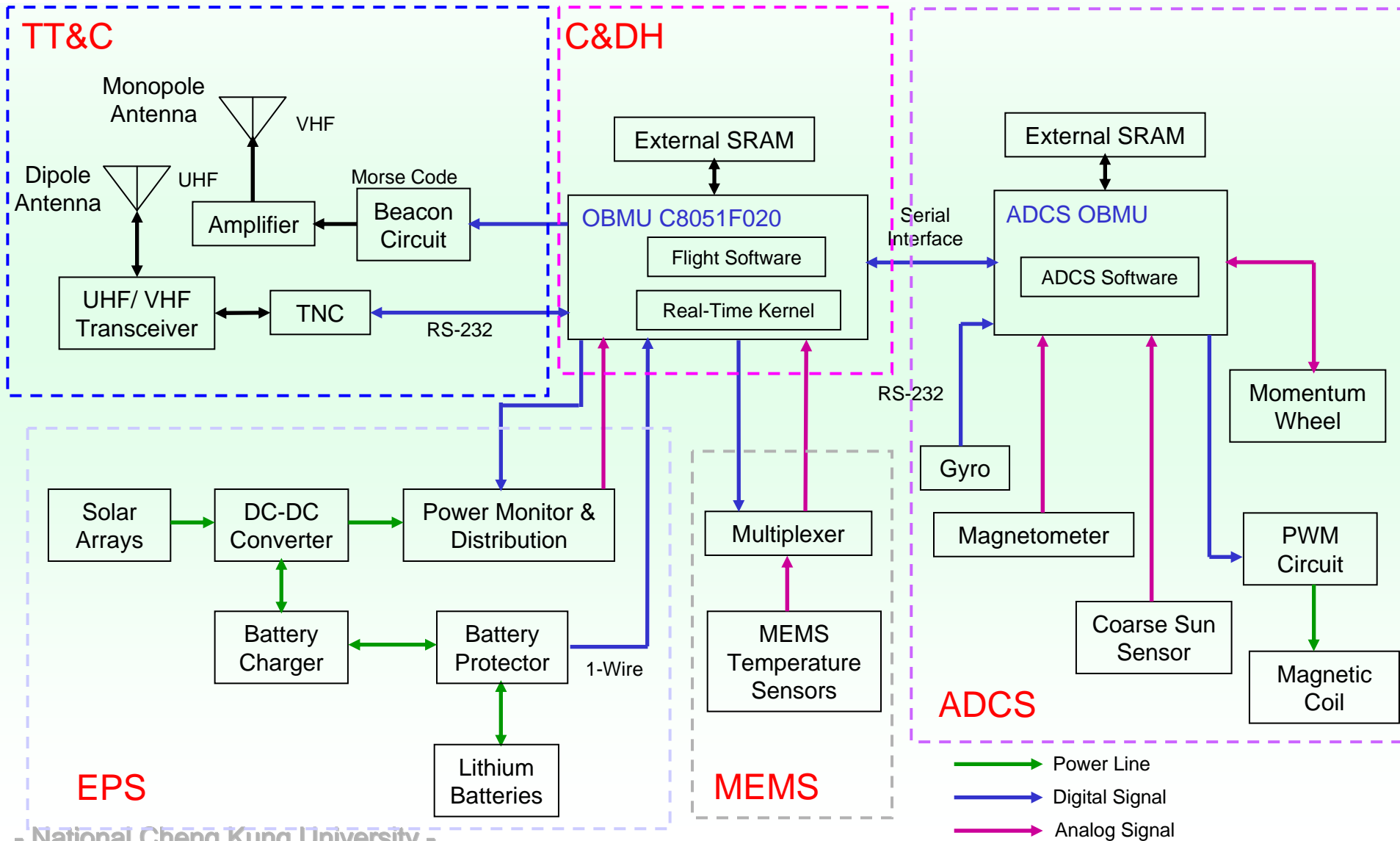


Beta Angle vs. Temp. of Battery





Electrical Block Diagram





Telemetry Tracking & Command

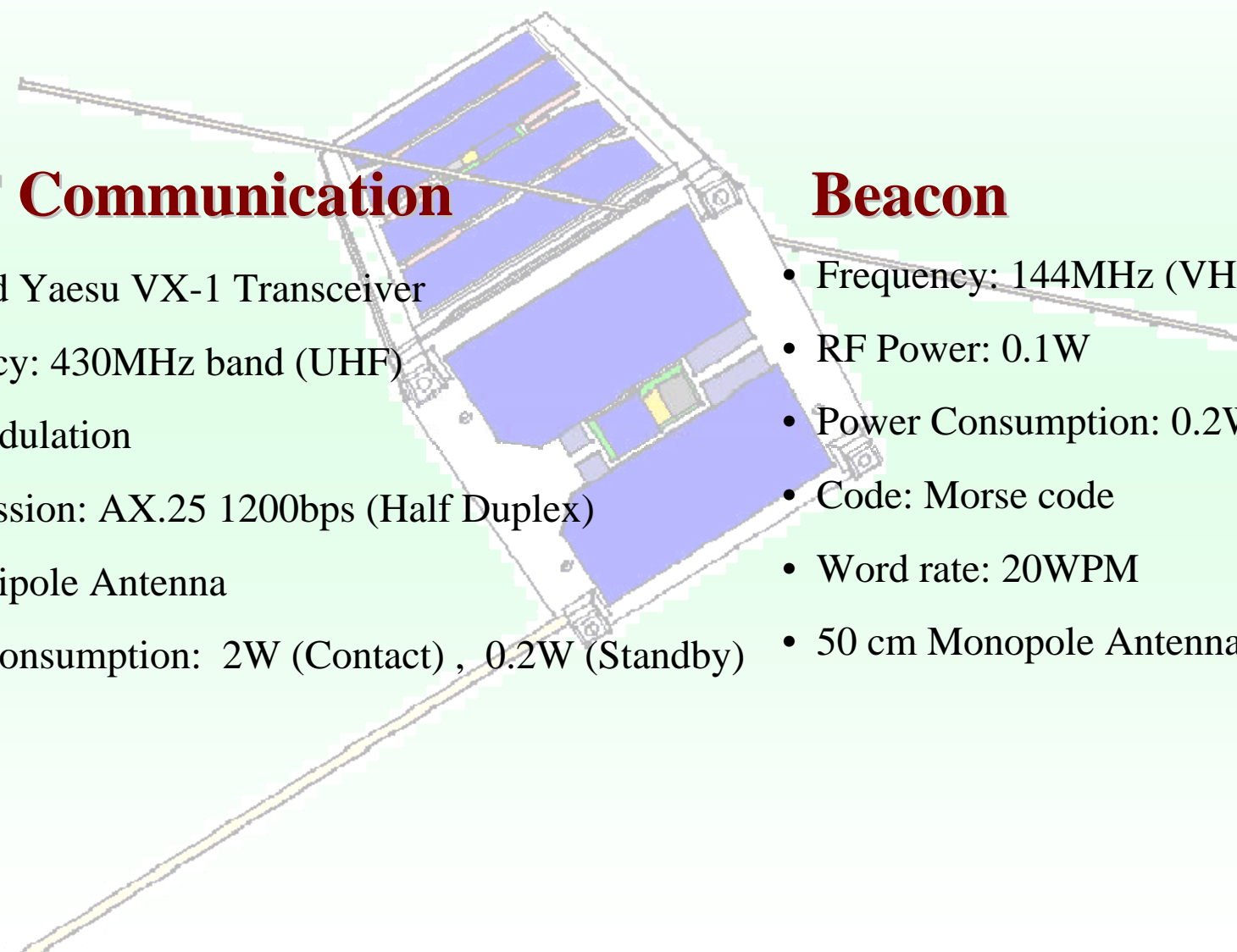


UHF Communication

- Modified Yaesu VX-1 Transceiver
- Frequency: 430MHz band (UHF)
- FSK Modulation
- Transmission: AX.25 1200bps (Half Duplex)
- 17 cm Dipole Antenna
- Power Consumption: 2W (Contact) , 0.2W (Standby)

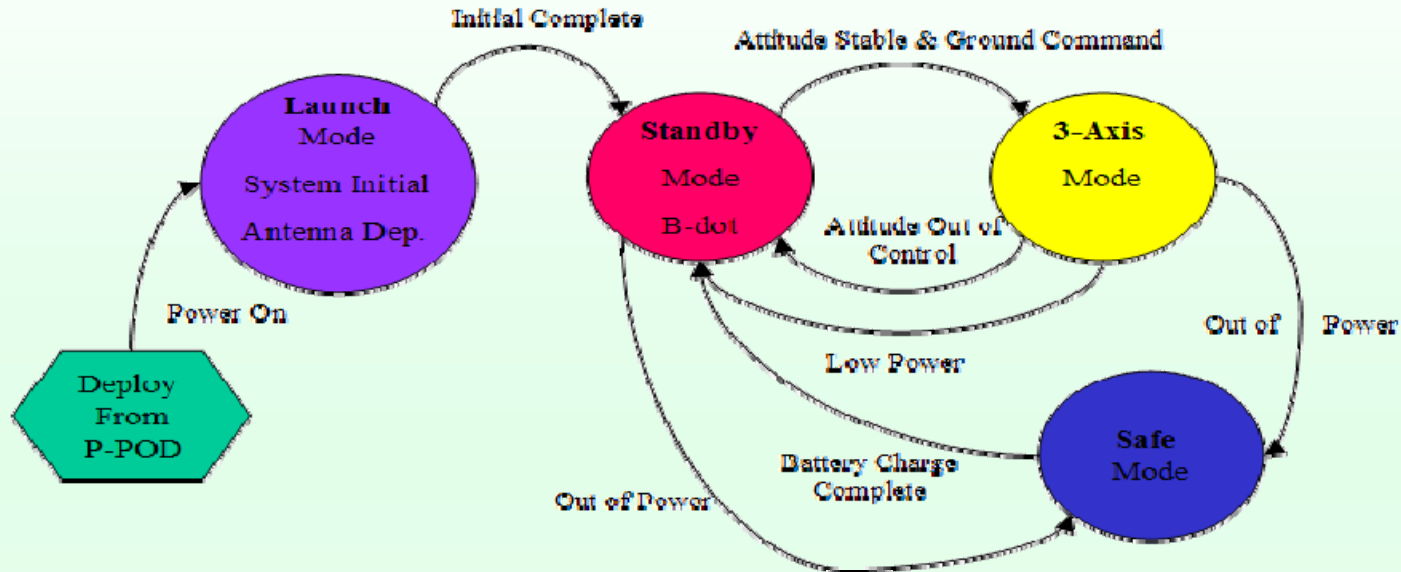
Beacon

- Frequency: 144MHz (VHF)
- RF Power: 0.1W
- Power Consumption: 0.2W
- Code: Morse code
- Word rate: 20WPM
- 50 cm Monopole Antenna





Operation Mode Transition



Mode \ Subsystem	C & DH	ADCS CPU	Magnetic Coil			Magnetometer	Gyro	Coarse Sun Sensor	Momentum Wheel	DRU	CW	TT&C RX/TX	Ant. Deploy	Remark
			X	Y	Z									
Launch	ON	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	After t sec ON	Release from P-POD
Safe	ON	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	ON	-	-	-	Low power Charging Mode
Standby B-dot	ON	ON	-	ON	ON	ON	-	ON	-	ON	ON	ON/_	-	On Orbit No Contact
	ON	ON	-	ON	ON	ON	-	ON	-	ON	ON	ON/ON	-	Contact to G/S
3 Axis Stability	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON/_	-	On Orbit
	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON	ON/ON	-	Contact to G/S

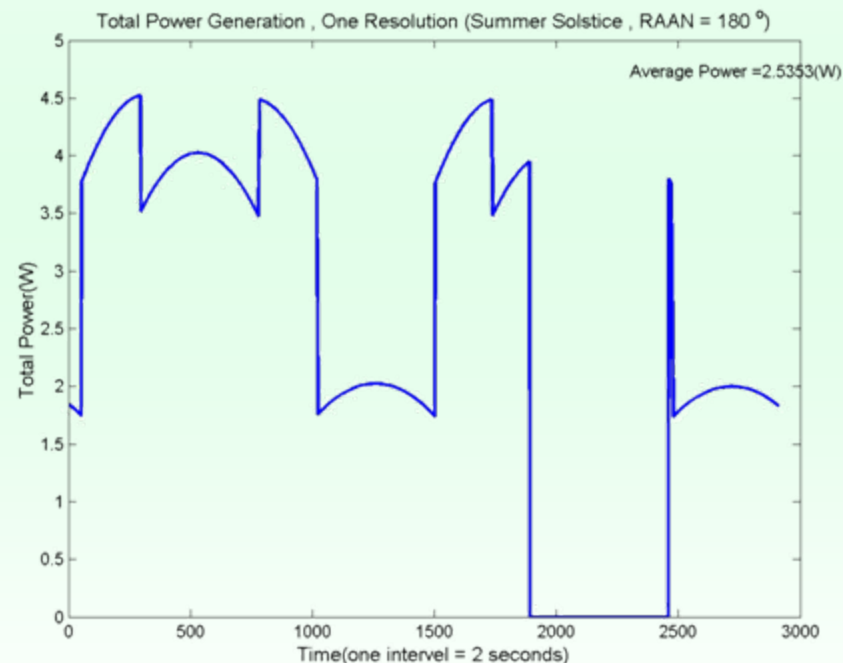


Power Budget and Power Analysis



Component	Power (W)	DT cycle	Ave. PW		Duty cycle	Ave. PW		DT cycle	Ave. PW(W)	
			Contact	No Contact		Contact	No Contact		Contact	No Contact
Payload										
MEMS sensor	0.100	100%	0.100	0.100	100%	0.1	0.1	0%	0.000	
TT&C										
UHF FM Contact	2.000	7%	0.140	0.000	7%	0.140	0.000	0%	0.000	
UHF FM Standby	0.200	93%	0.186	0.200	93%	0.186	0.200	0%	0.000	
VHF CW Tx	0.400	30%	0.120	0.120	30%	0.120	0.120	30%	0.120	
VHF CW Standby	0.100	70%	0.070	0.070	70%	0.070	0.070	70%	0.070	
ADCS										
Momentum wheel	0.630	30%	0.189	0.189	0%	0.000	0.000	0%	0.000	
Magnetic coils	0.333	60%	0.200	0.200	60%	0.200	0.200	0%	0.000	
Magnetometer	0.175	30%	0.053	0.053	30%	0.053	0.053	0%	0.000	
Gyro	0.600	40%	0.240	0.240	0%	0.000	0.000	0%	0.000	
Slave CPU	0.072	100%	0.072	0.072	100%	0.072	0.072	0%	0.000	
Coarse Sun Sensor	0.100	100%	0.100	0.100	100%	0.100	0.100	0%	0.000	
OBMU										
CPU	0.072	100%	0.072	0.072	100%	0.072	0.072	100%	0.072	
SRAM	0.230	100%	0.230	0.230	100%	0.230	0.230	100%	0.230	
EPS										
Conversion Loss(+12V)	0.160	100%	0.160	0.160	0%	0.000	0.000	0%	0.000	
Conversion Loss(+5V)	0.326	100%	0.326	0.326	100%	0.326	0.326	100%	0.326	
Conversion Loss(-5V)	0.038	100%	0.038	0.038	100%	0.038	0.038	100%	0.038	
Distributoin Loss	0.180	100%	0.180	0.180	100%	0.180	0.180	100%	0.180	
Total	5.416458		2.475625	2.349625		1.886625	1.760625		1.036125	
		Normal Mode			Initial Mode B-dot			Safe Mode		

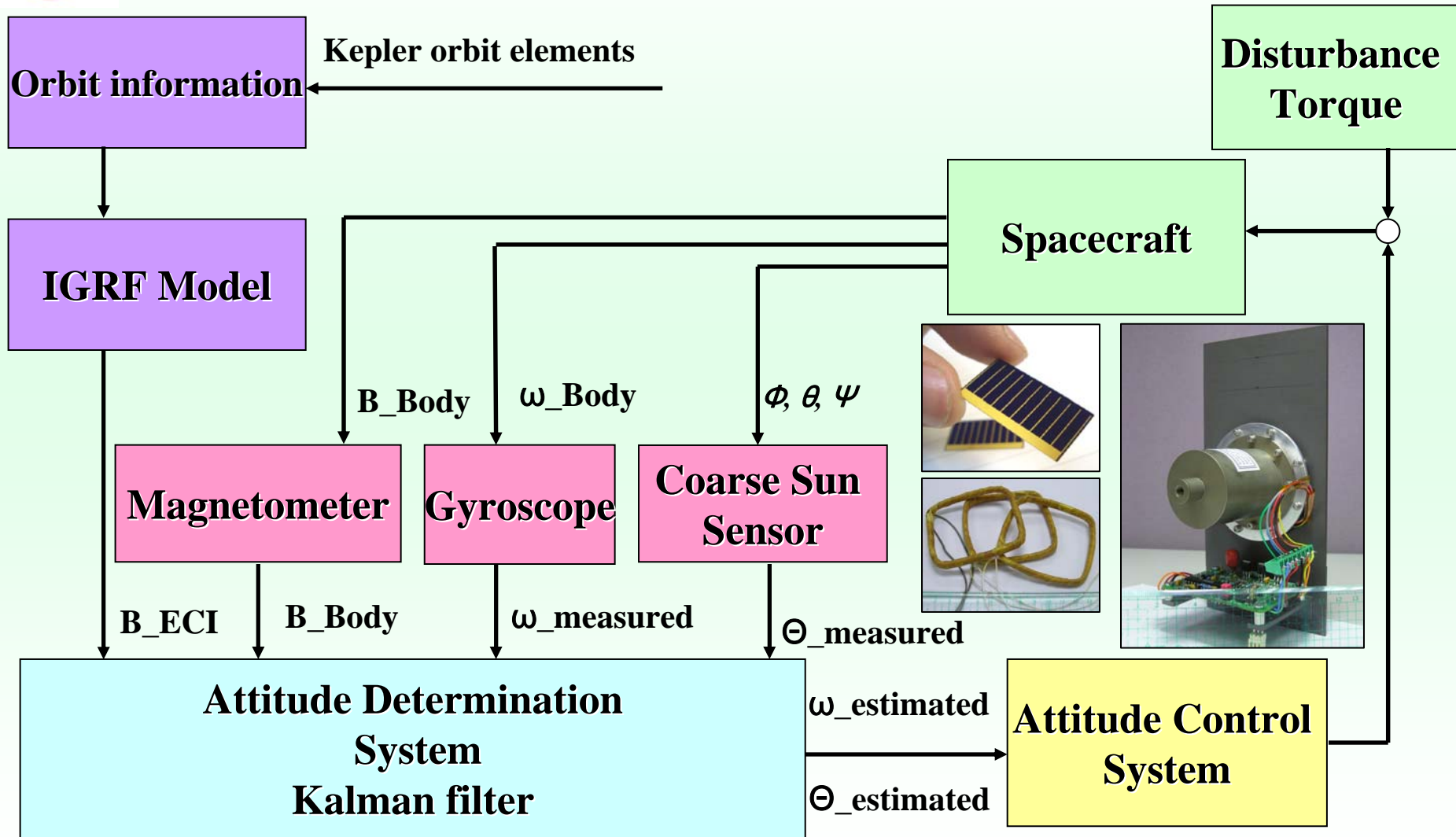
Maximum Power Consumption: 2.475W



Average Power Generation: 2.535W



ADCS Block Diagram





Momentum Wheel



Specification

Max. Wheel Momentum : 0.01 Nms

Max. Wheel Torque : 0.00001 Nm

Wheel Speed : 4000 rpm

Mechanical/Power

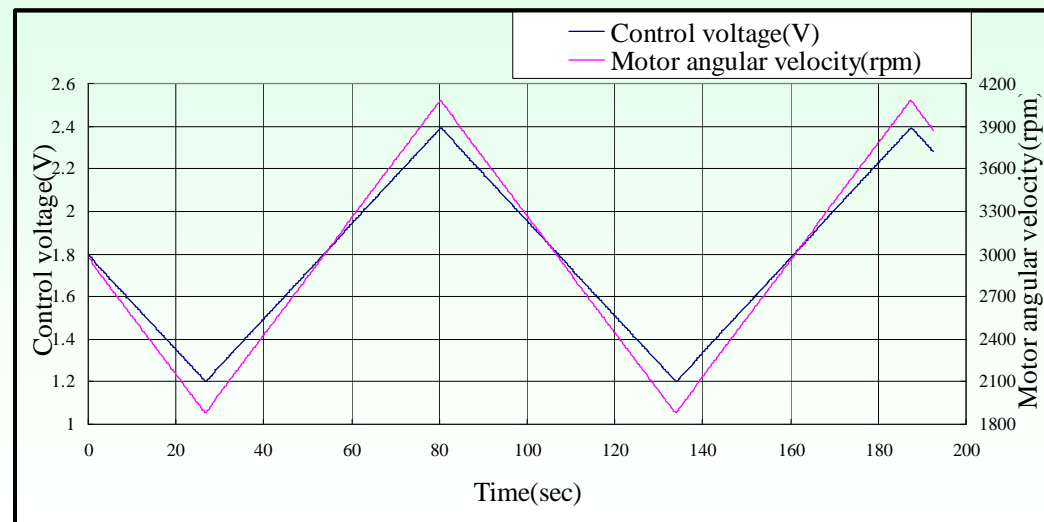
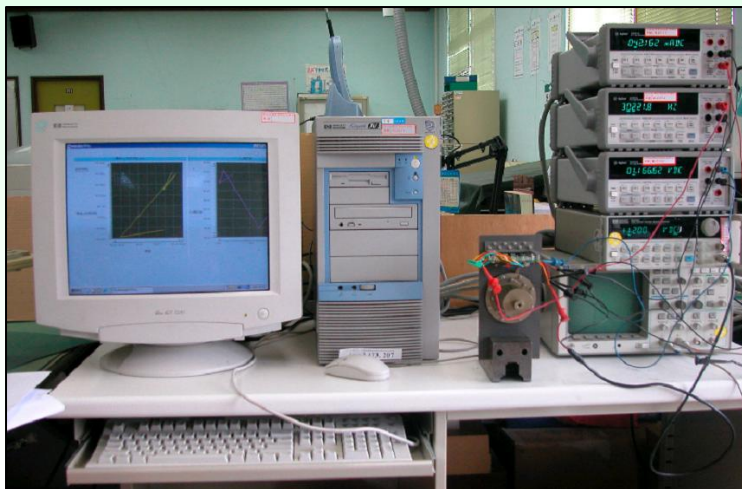
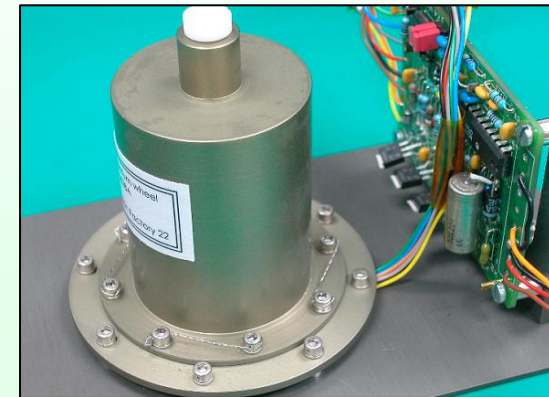
Mass : 300 grams (added a control box)

Size : 46 dia. 82 height mm

Housing : Aluminum (AL 7075)

Power Supply : 12-24 VDC

Power consumption : 0.6 W





Control Mode and Simulation



Standby Mode

Sensor : **Magnetometer**

Actuator : **Magnetic Coils**

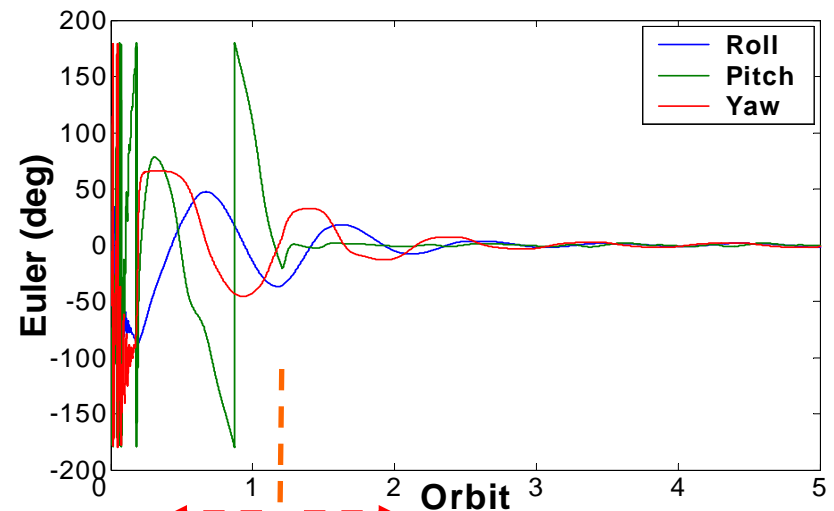
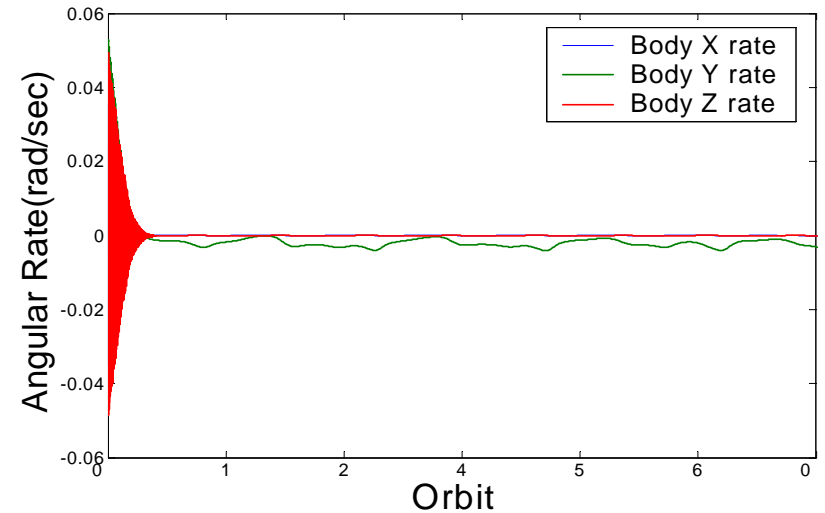
Control Law : **B-dot Control**

Three-axis Mode

Sensor : **Magnetometer, Gyro,
Coarse Sun Sensor**

Actuator : **Magnetic Coils,
Momentum Wheel**

Control Law : **B-dot Control,
Momentum Wheel Control,
Momentum Dump Control,
Pointing Control**



Standby mode ← | → 3-axis mode

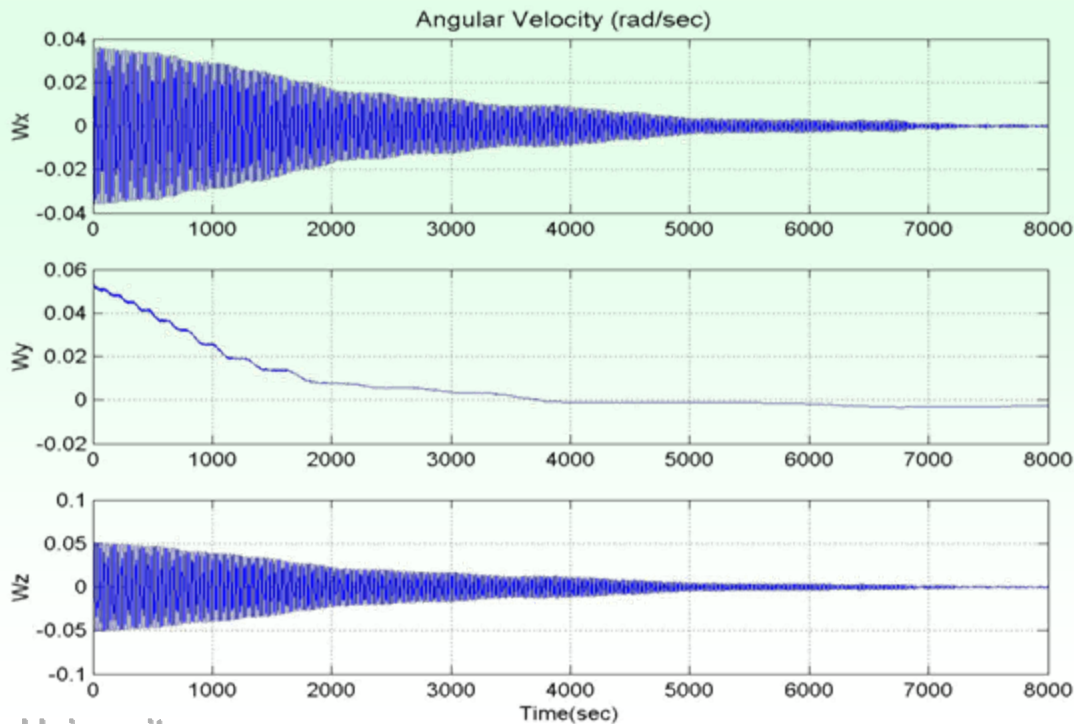
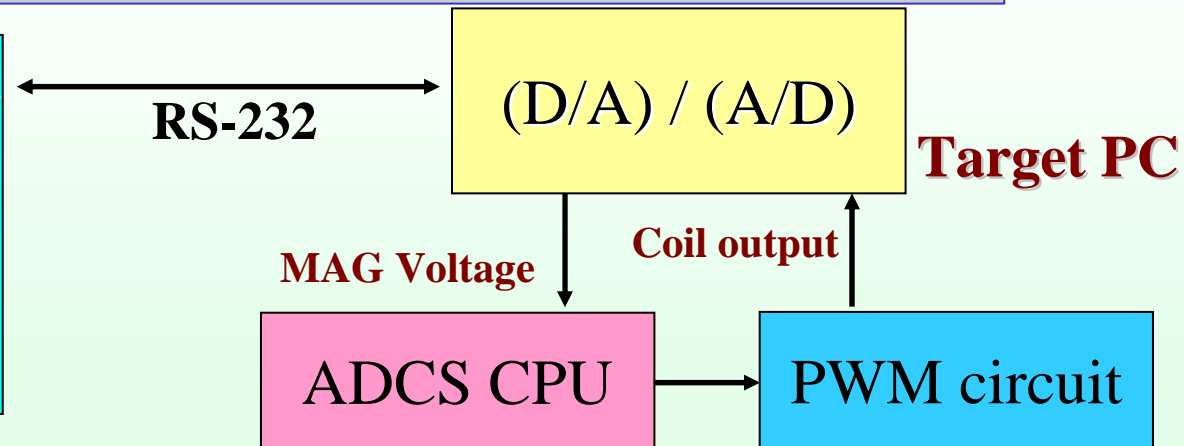


Procession in The Loop



- S/C Dynamic Model
- Geomagnetic data
- Orbit data
- Disturbance
- Hardware Model

Host PC





Conclusion



- **PACE is a three-axis stabilized pico-satellite.**
- **The design of three-axis stabilization has been conducted through component development and a hardware in the loop simulation.**
- **MEMS coarse sun sensors and temperature sensors are designed and fabricated, ready for test and integration.**
- **Detail analyses on each subsystem of the PACE have been conducted.**

A 3D rendering of a satellite in space. The satellite has a white frame and several blue solar panels. It is positioned against a black background with stars and a view of the Earth's blue and white clouds. A yellow beam of light is directed at the satellite from the top-left.

Thanks for your attention!