

PolySat Building on Success

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PolySat

- Objective: Engineering Education
- Objective: Provide a reliable bus system to allow for flight qualification of a wide variety of small sensors and attitude control devices.



Earth Station



- Yeasu FT-847 and Icom IC-910
- Yaesu G-5500
- MixW Software TNC
- Mac Doppler Pro for tracking

Earth Station





Marconi dual phased 70 cm yagis Hertz 2 m yagi 70 cm yagi

CP1

- Magnetorquer developed by Cal Poly
- Third party Sun Sensor
- Valuable lessons learned
 - CubeSat development: challenges & logistics
 - Multiple Flight Units



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- CP2.1 manifested as CP4
 - Energy Storage and Dissipation
 Experiments
 - Test and Characterize CPBus





• CP3

- Attitude Determination using a suite of sensors
- Attitude Control using Magnetorquers in each side panel
- Observation Imagers: lots of data to download!

Early CP3 External Temps

External Temperatures CP3 CDH June 18, 2007



Time

Recent CP3 External Temps

External Side Temps CP3 CDH April 9, 2008





Recent CP3 Internal Temps

Internal Temperatures CP3 CDH April 9, 2008



Early CP3 Bus Voltages

Voltages CP3 CDH June 18,



Recent CP3 Bus Voltages

Bus Voltages CP3 CDH April 9, 2008



Early CP3 Solar Panel Currents

Solar Panel Currents CP3 CDH June 18, 2007



Recent CP3 Solar Panel Currents

Solar Panel Currents CP3 CDH April 9, 2008



Early CP4 External Temps

External Side Temps CP4 CDH May 24, 2007



Recent CP4 External Temps

External Temperatures CP4 ADCS July 31, 2008



Early CP4 Internal Temps

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Lessons Learned

Beacons

- Object identification
- Immediate data
- Fun for world wide satellite trackers
- Uplink difficulties
- Solar panel efficiency

CP6

- Bus Improvements:
 - Low Noise Amplifier
 - Software stability



- Naval Research Laboratories Payload
 - Electron emitter and collection experiment
 - Two collectors, one emitter
 - Hopeful precursor to full electro-dynamic tether experiment

NRL Payload Fit Check



The Ground Station Network



GENSO Background

- A system to link ground stations using the internet
- Only 1200/9600 baud data for now
- Three parts:
 - Central server
 - Authentication and registration
 - Mission Control Client
 - Scheduling of Ground Station Servers
 - 1 MCC per satellite developer
 - Ground Station Servers
 - Actual interface between rotors/radio and internet

GENSO Background

- Global Educational Network for Satellite Operators
- Originally started with the Japanese to combat interference (GROWS)
- Started under the International Space Education Board, a collaboration between CSA, ESA, JAXA, and NASA
- Approved on 5 October 2006 for 2 years
- Project to link low-cost earth stations







"Standard" Earth Station

- Icom IC-910 radio with computer interface
- M² OR2800P-DC for Azimuth and MT-1000 for elevation
- Symek TNC 31S
 - Possibly software in future
- Antennas:
 - 2MCP22 for 145 MHz
 - $-\,436CP42UG$ for 437 MHz
 - -1 meter dish for S-band (downlink only)

GENSO Update

- Finishing alpha testing
- Had a workshop at AMSAT UK Colloquium recently where the technology was demonstrated
- Central server currently active at Cal Poly
- <u>Genso-us@atl.calpoly.edu</u> for mailing list

Thanks!

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