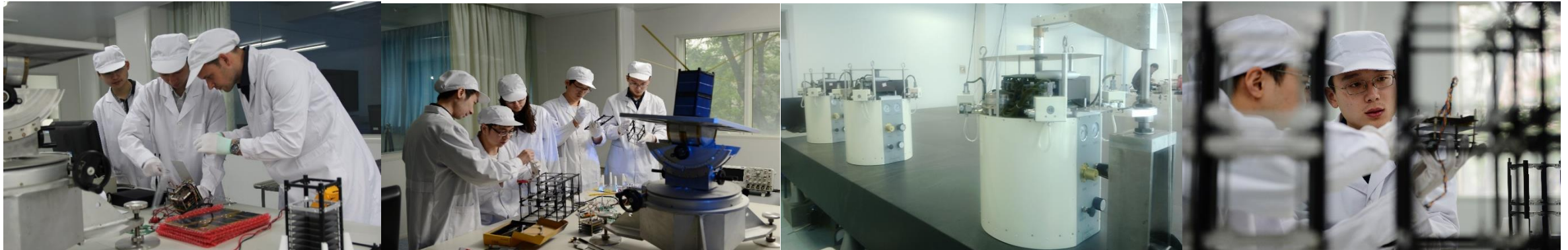




## The Status of University Nanosatellites in China

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# Nano satellites development in China

- **HIT**

- LilacSat-2 (2015, nanosat)
- LilacSat-1 (2017)

Missions: INMS

New mode amateur repeater  
CMOS camera

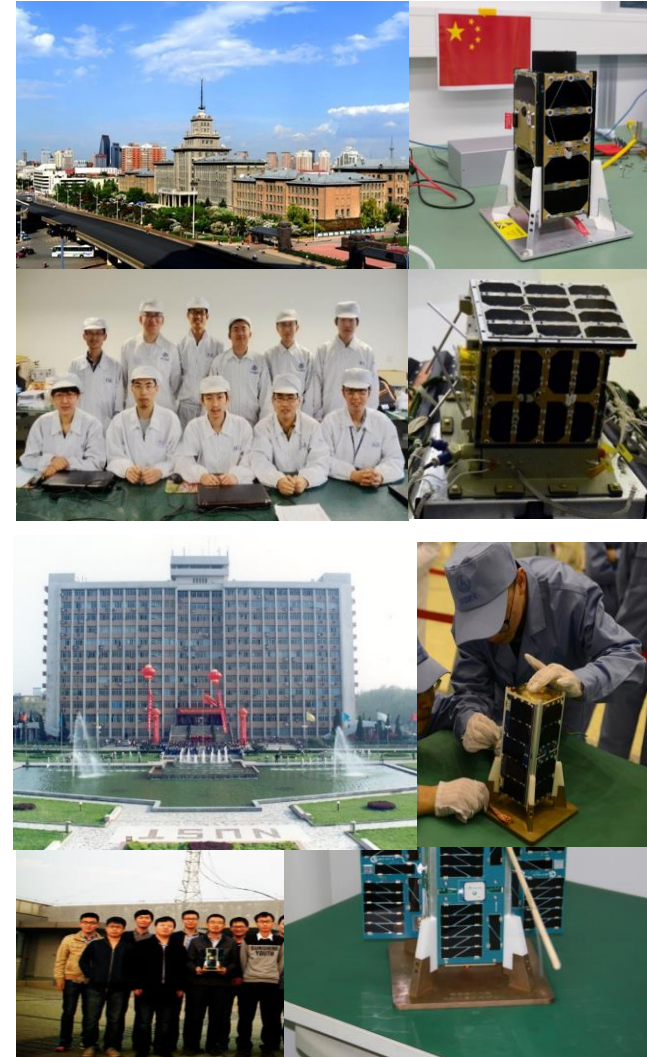
- **NJUST**

- NJUST-1 (2015), NJUST-2 (2017)
- Young-1 (2016), Canton-1 (2017)

Missions: AIS receiving

Earth observation

Aerospace education





# Nano satellites development in China

- **Tsinghua**

- NS-1 (2004,nanosat)
- NS-2 (2015,nanosat)

Missions: CMOS camera  
MEMS  
Orbit maneuver  
Star tracker



- **ZJU**

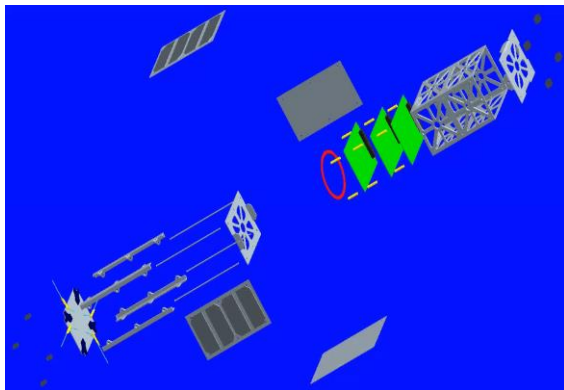
- ZDPS-1 (2007,nanosat)
- ZDPS-1A (2010,nanosat)
- ZDPS-2A(2015,nanosat)

Missions: S-band comms  
MEMS test,  
GNSS



# CubeSats development in NPU

- ❑ 2011, CubeSat structure design competition in NPU
- ❑ 2012, Aoxiang Cup CubeSat design competition in Shannxi Province
- ❑ China Graduate Student Future Flight Vehicle Innovation Competition
- ❑ Many presentations of CubeSat are given in the Chinese universities each year





# Brief introduction of NPU



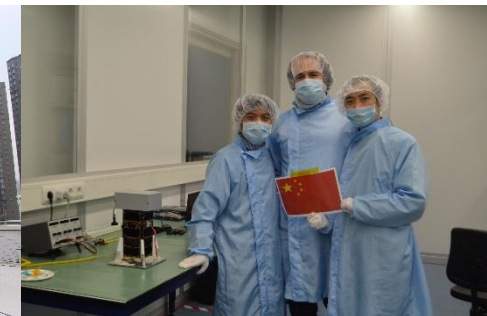
Aeronautics



Astronautics

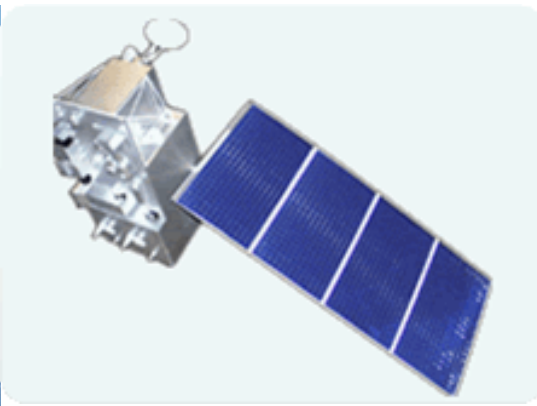


Marine



# Spacecraft research team in NPU

- 28 staffs , average age is about 34.
- Over 60 postgraduates
- Participated in SZ spaceship, Beidou navigation satellite system, Chang'E lunar orbiter, FY-2, FY-3 and etc.
- Comprehensive experiment conditions





# Research history of CubeSats in NPU



Graduate project

2010



SAOX, payload of CZ-7



Xingyun-1 launched



2011



2U AX-1 joined QB50

2012

2013

2014

2015

2016

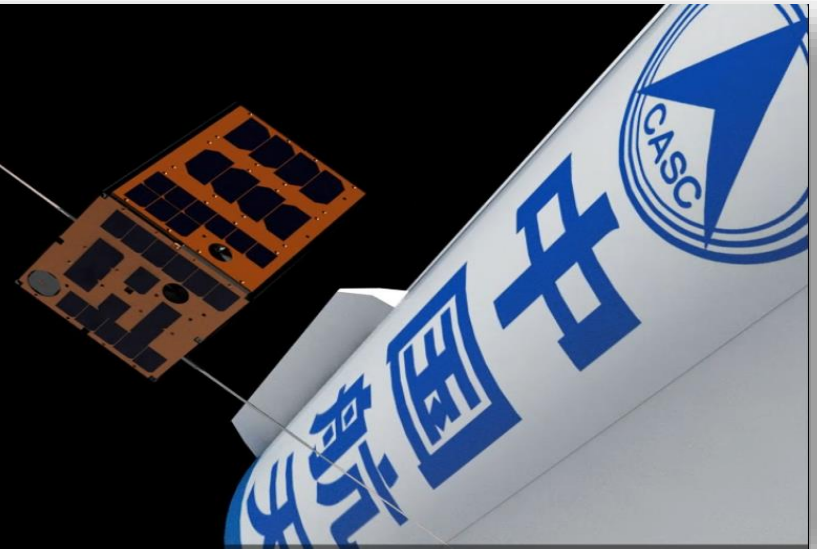
2017



AX-1 launched

# The first 12U CubeSat in the world

## Star of Aoxiang 12U CubeSat



Verification of 12U  
CubeSat Platform



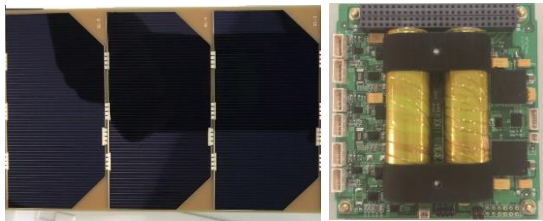
Polarized sunlight  
navigation and  
other experiments



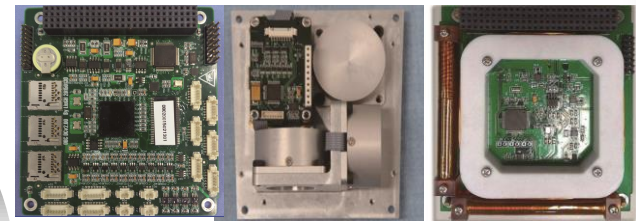
Education

# Subsystems of 12U CubeSat

## Power



## OBC&ADCS



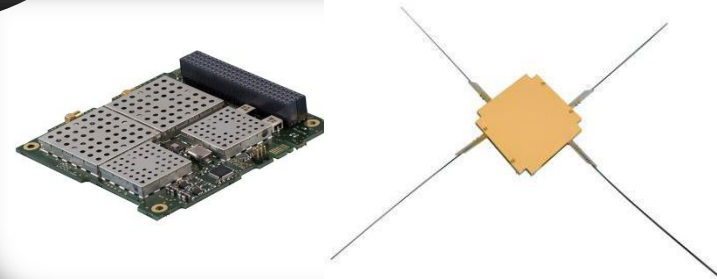
## Structure



## Payload



## COMM





# 12U CubeSat structure



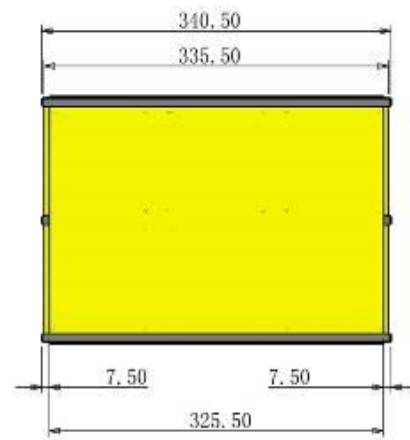
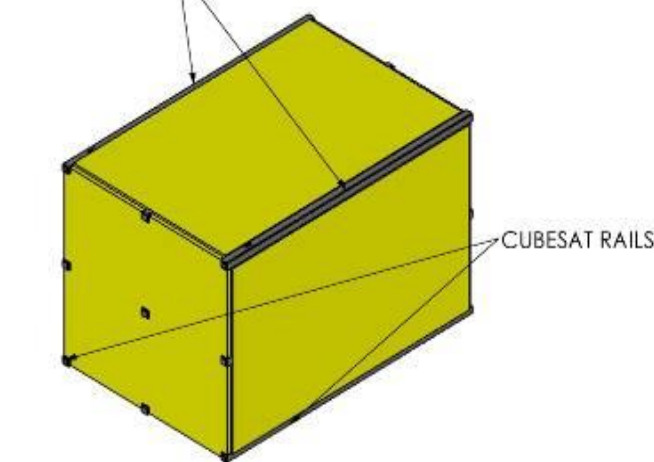
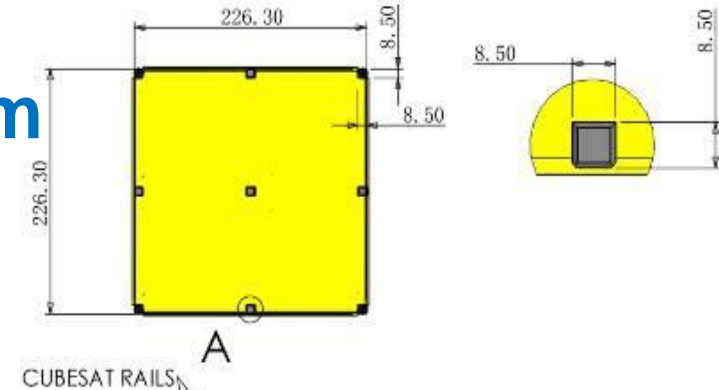
1.5kg(Including structure, rails and side panels )



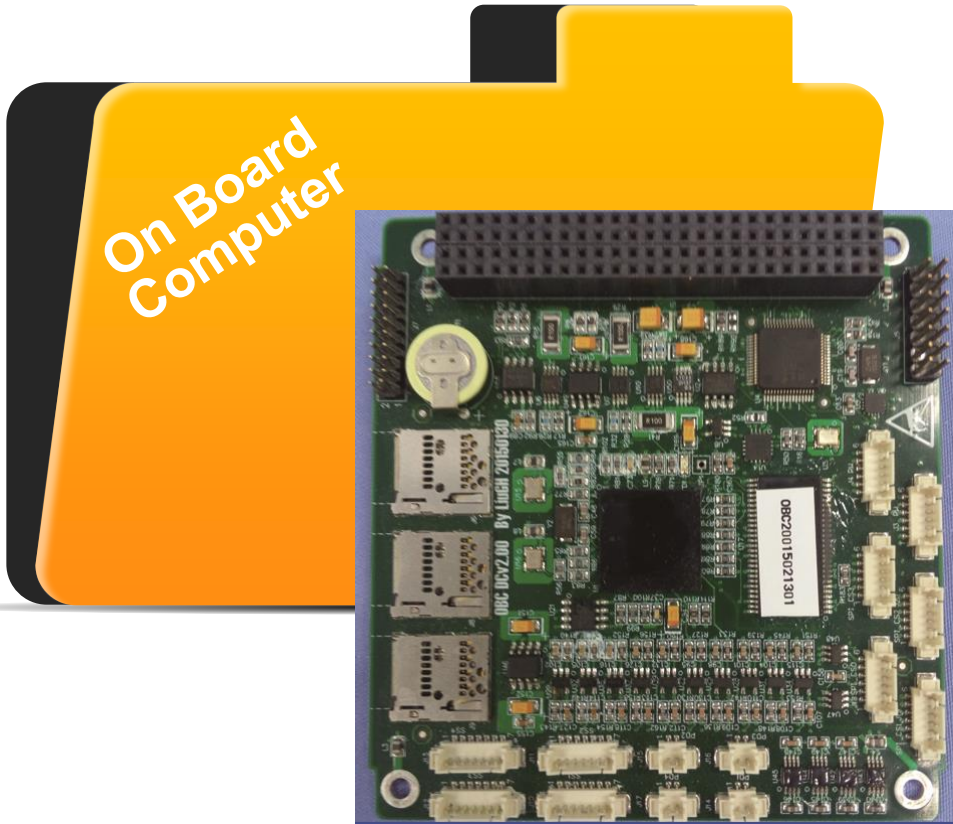
226.3mm × 226.3mm × 340.5mm



AI7075



# On board computer



1

Monitor+host processor

2

Two host ARMs

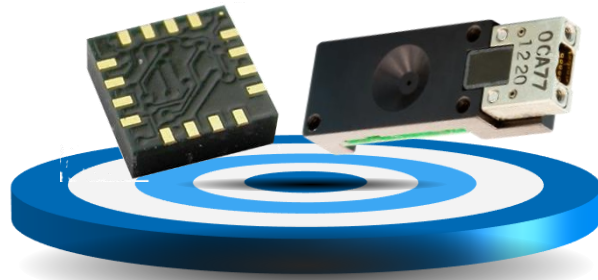
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Voting architecture

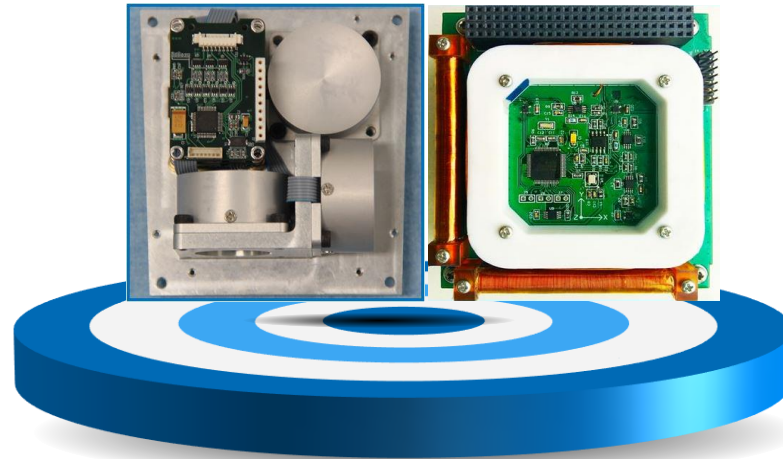
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Rich interfaces

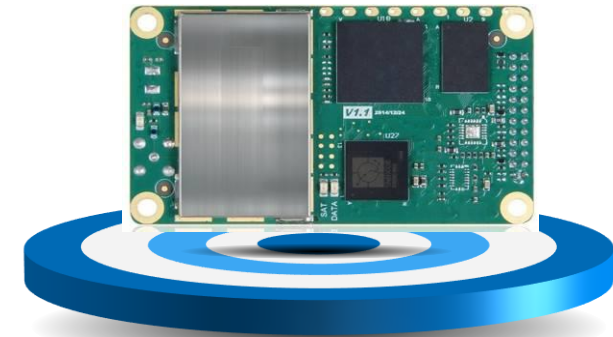
# Attitude determination and control system



Attitude sensors



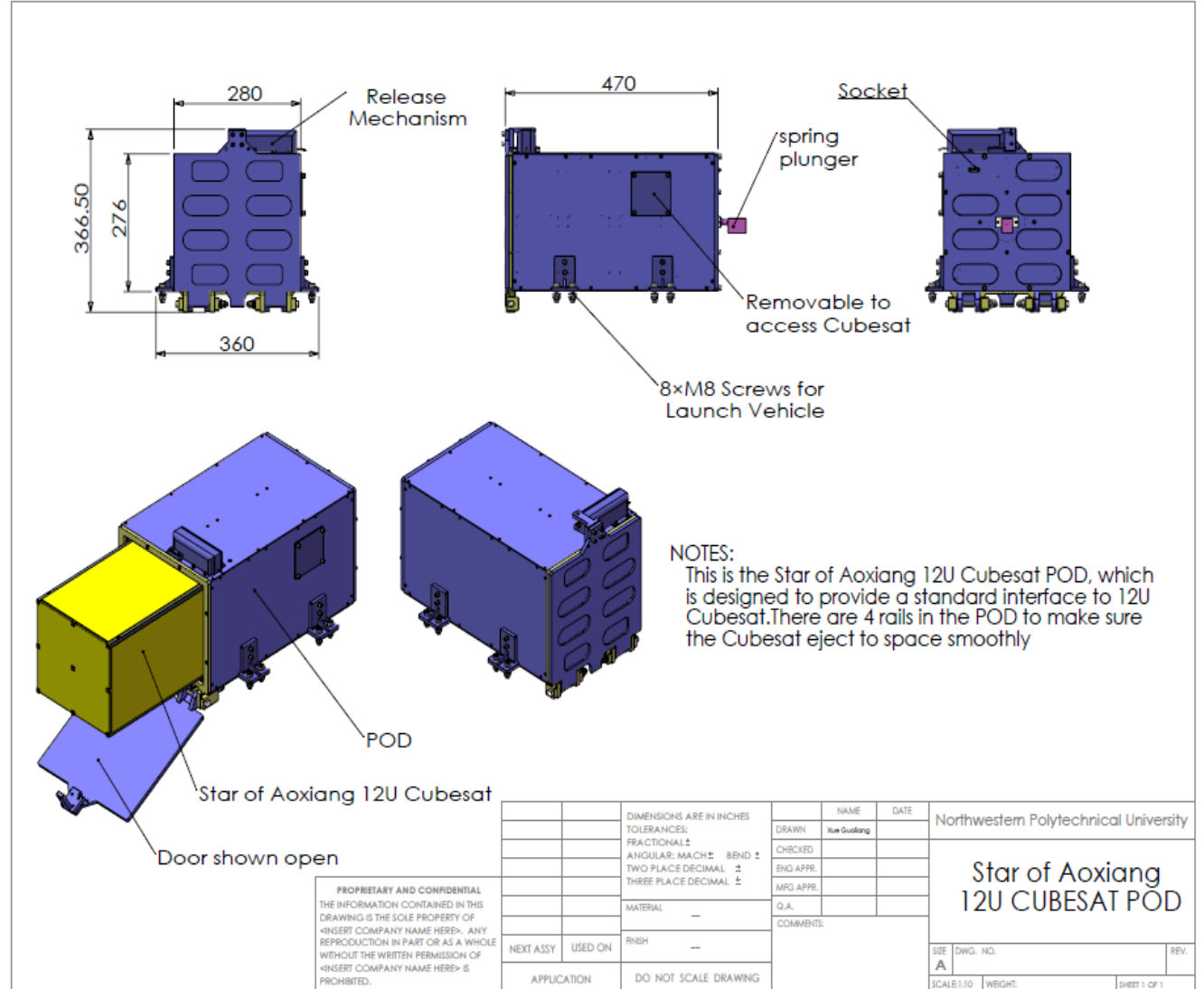
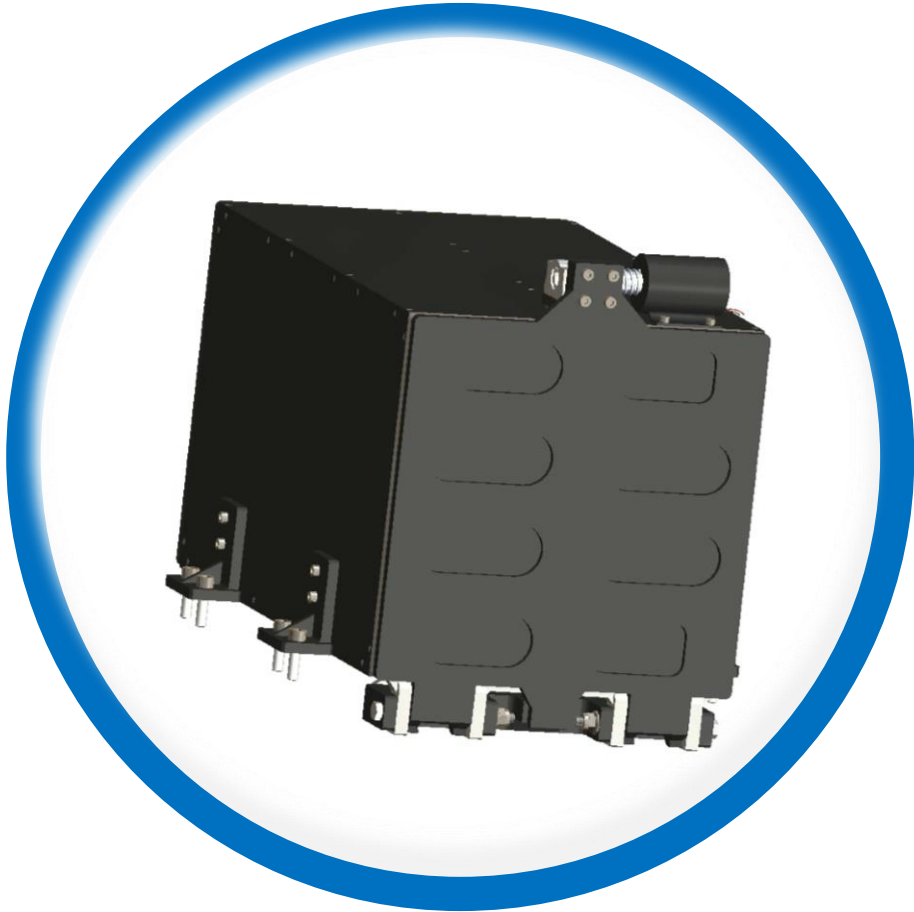
Actuators



GPS/BD receiver



# Electromagnetic unlocking POD



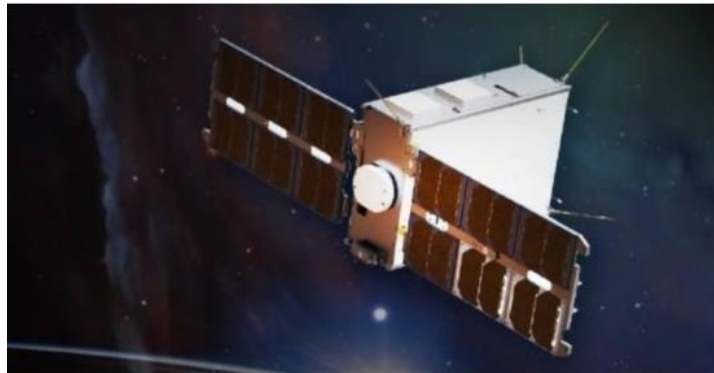
# Developed subsystems



Another 6U CubeSat has used the subsystems



More CubeSats has decided to use the components



POD



Wireless Sun sensor



OBC



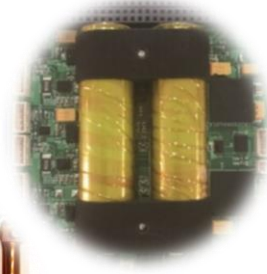
RW



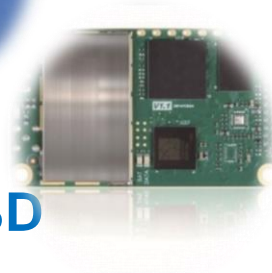
Structure



EPS



GPS/BD



MTQ



# AoXiang-1— 2U CubeSat for QB50 project



## Seventh Framework Agreement of EU

Project supported by EU FP7,  
launched in April, 2017  
23 countries/regions have  
participated



## Initiator Members

Von Karman Institute for Fluid  
Dynamics, TU-Delft , Surrey  
Space Centre, Mullard Space  
Science Laboratory, NPU,  
Stanford University, etc.

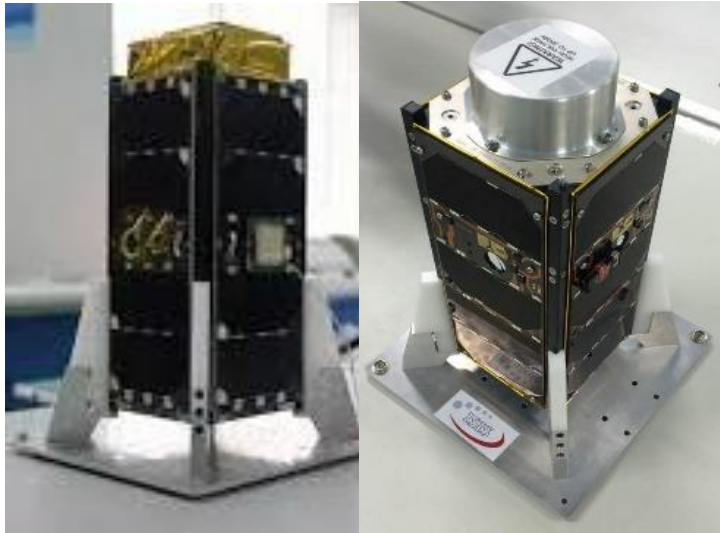


## Science Mission

Satellite network consisting  
of 23 satellites used for  
lower thermosphere  
measurement and reentry  
research



# 2U CubeSats : Xingyun-1 and Aoxiang-1



● Payload: INMS(QB50)/Com board(Xingyun)

● Power: Solar panels and EPS

● ADCS: Magnetometer, RW, MTQ, etc

● COMM : UHF/VHF

● Structure : 2U

● POD : 2U EMUPOD(Xingyun)

# Flight result and lesson learned



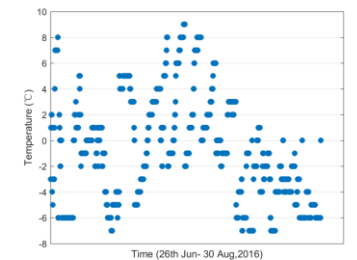
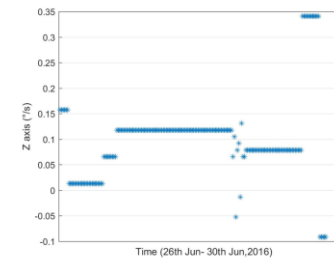
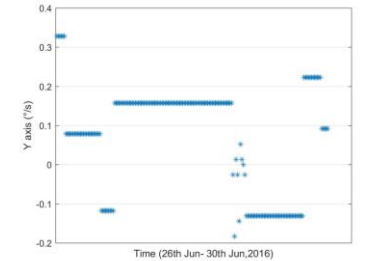
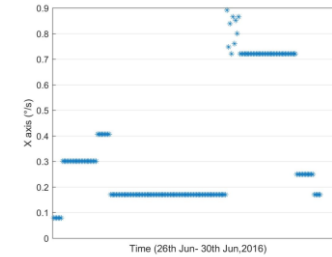
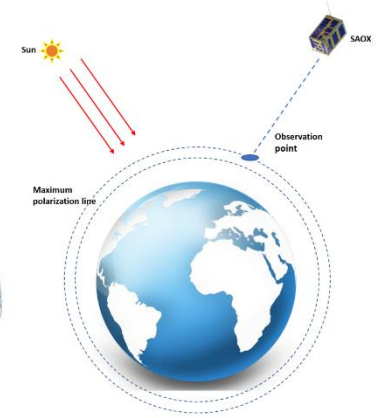
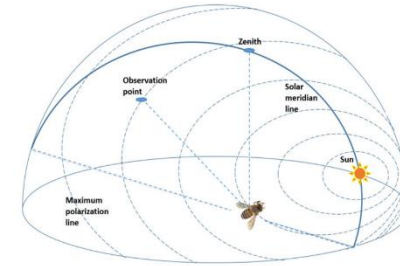
All the mission of SAOX has accomplished.



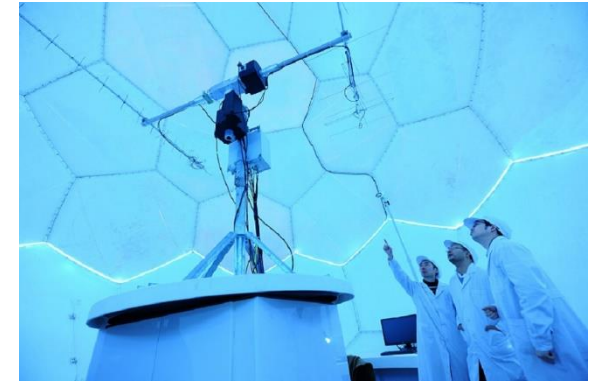
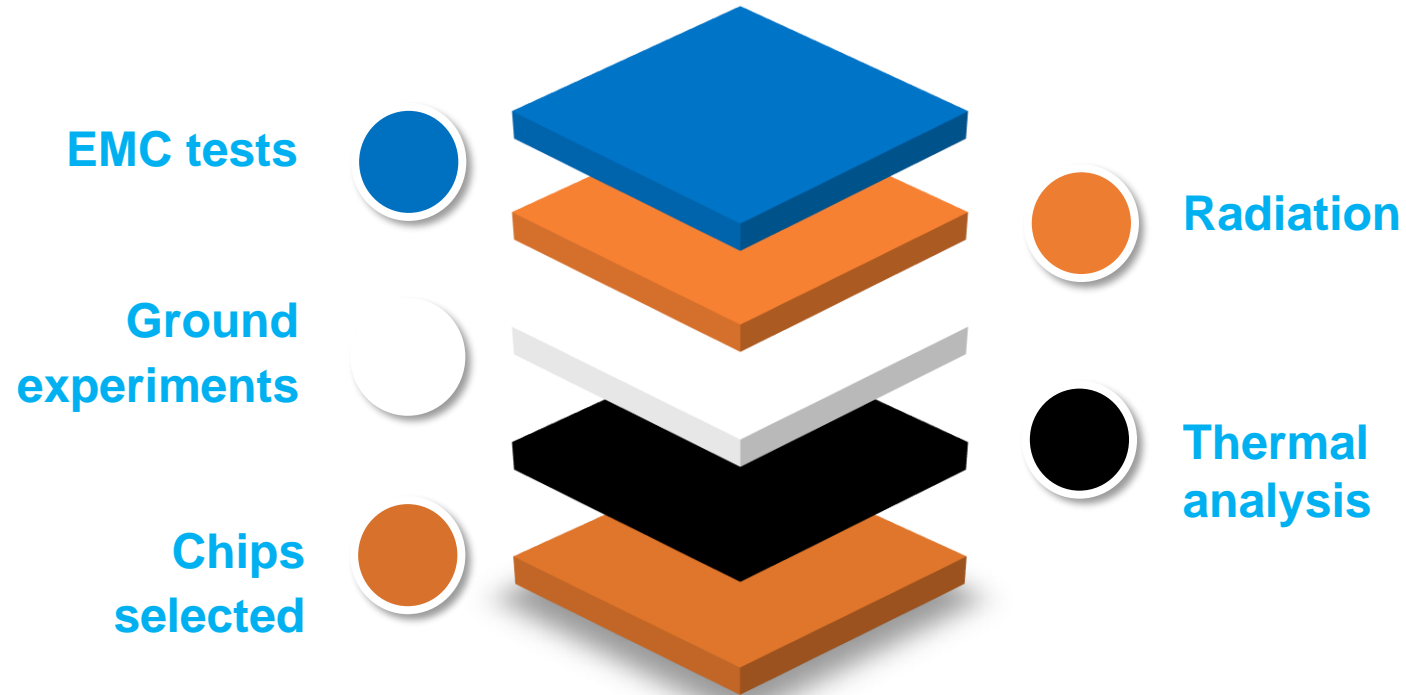
The attitude control system and payload worked very well, the data was successfully downloaded and got some interesting result .



The data of Xingyun-1 has been received and the new POD is successful.



# Flight result and lesson learned





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