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# **Ferromagnetism issues in Materials for Nano-Satellite Components**

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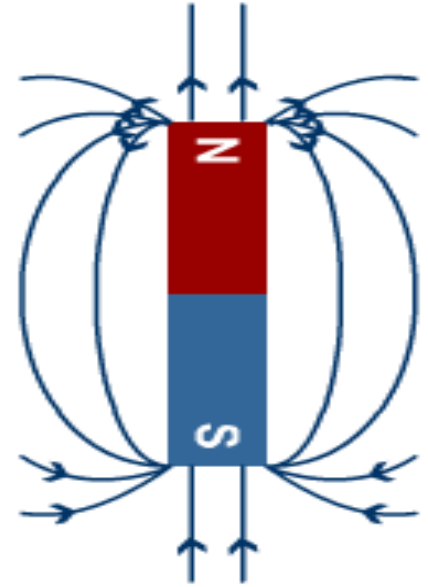
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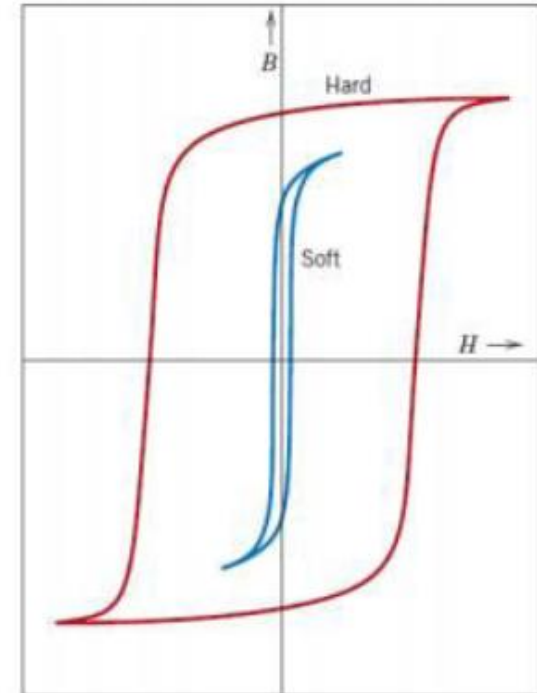
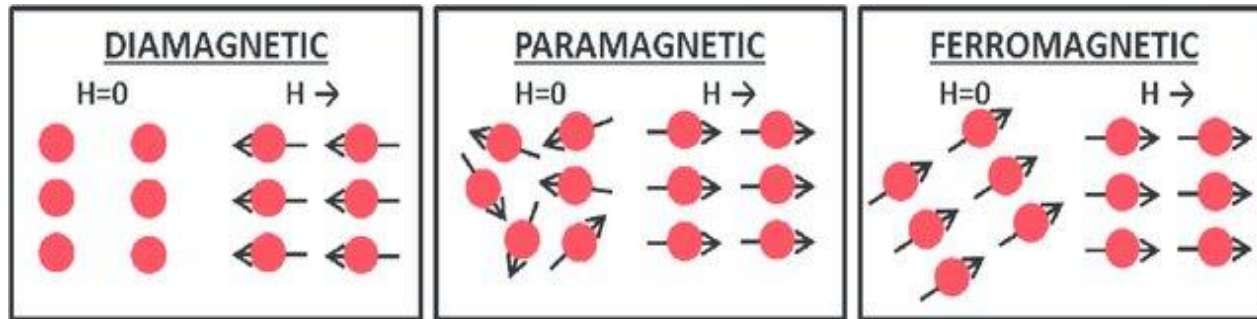
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# Magnetism

*Magnetism is a class of physical phenomena that are mediated by magnetic fields. Electric currents and the magnetic moments of elementary particles give rise to a magnetic field, which acts on other currents and magnetic moments.*

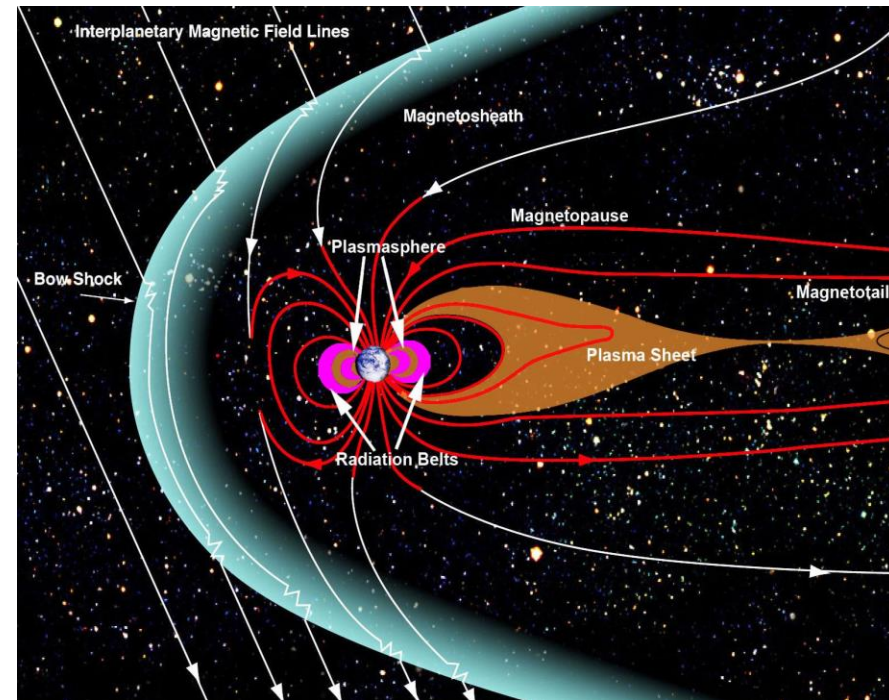


# Magnets

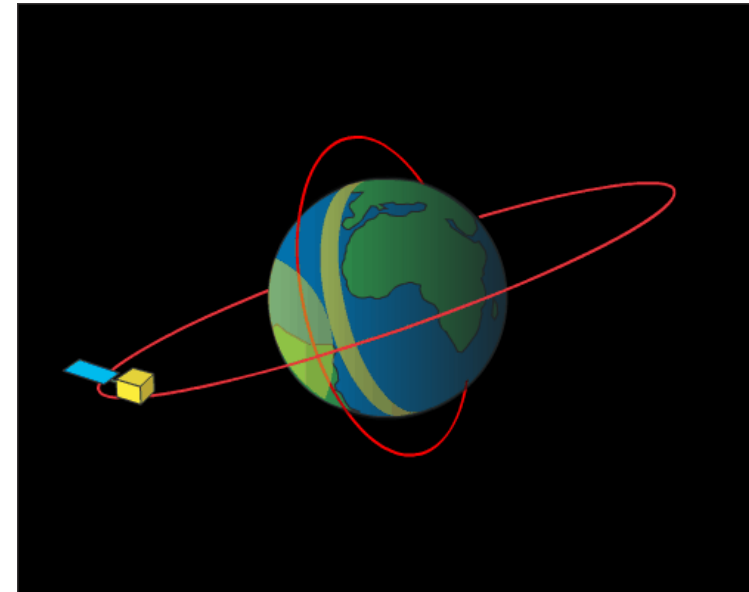
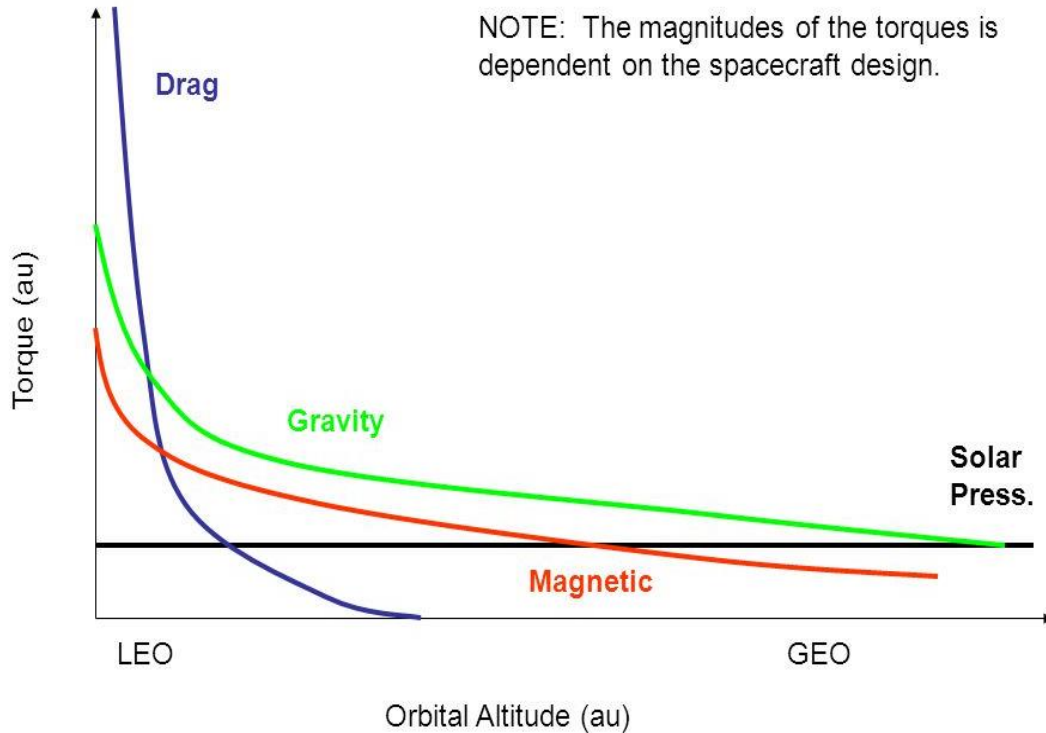


# Magnetism in Space

Earth Orbit	Magnetic Field Strength (B)
Low Earth Orbit (160-2000 Km)	$3 \times 10^{-4} - 6 \times 10^{-4}$ Tesla
Medium Earth Orbit (2000-35786 km)	-
Geo Stationary Orbit ( $\leq 36000$ Km)	30-120 nano Tesla



# External Disturbance Torques on Satellite



# ESTCUBE-1 Results

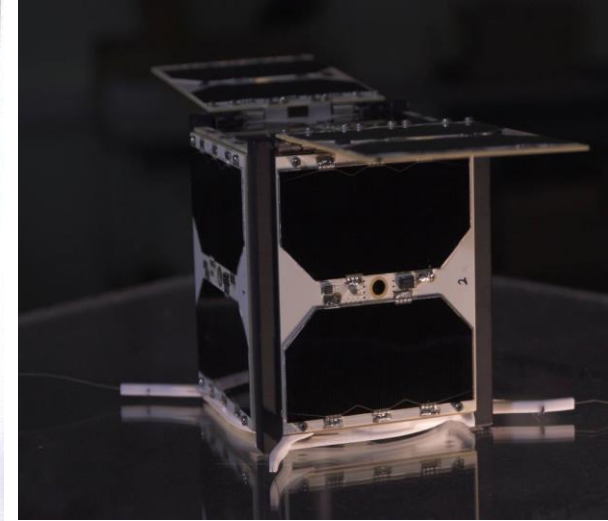
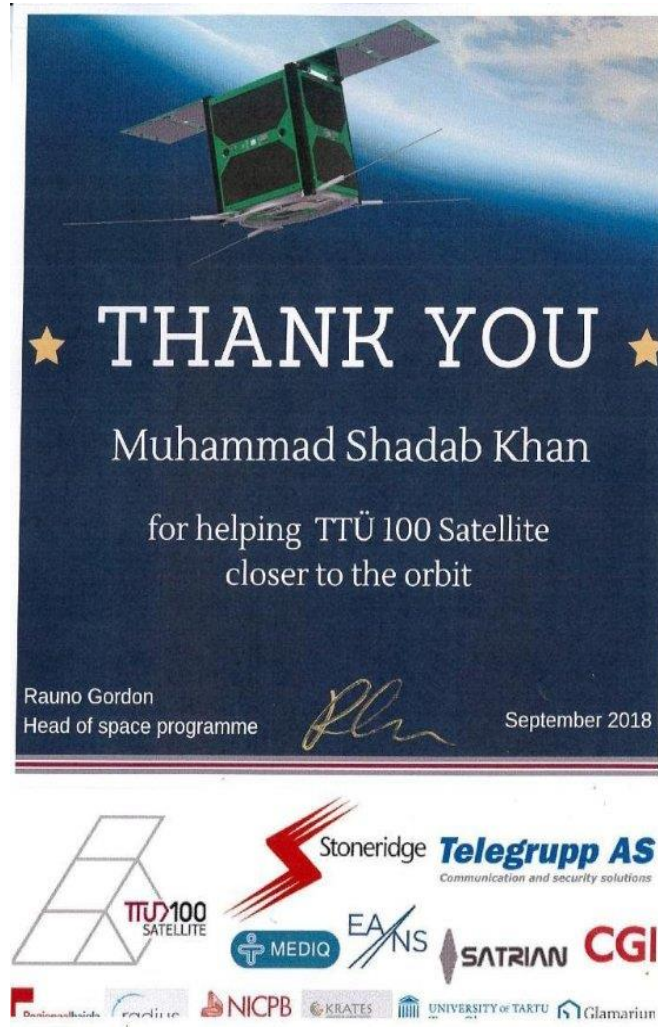
- ESTCUBE-1 Satellite from Estonia
- In-Flight results showed Un-stability of the CubeSat

- Primary reason was found to be due to use of Ferromagnetic Substances  
(Screw/Battery Cover)

- ESTCUBE team decided to use Non magnetic Ti6Al4V Fasteners/Screws for ESTCUBE-2 Satellite

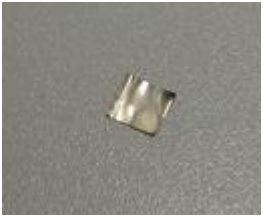
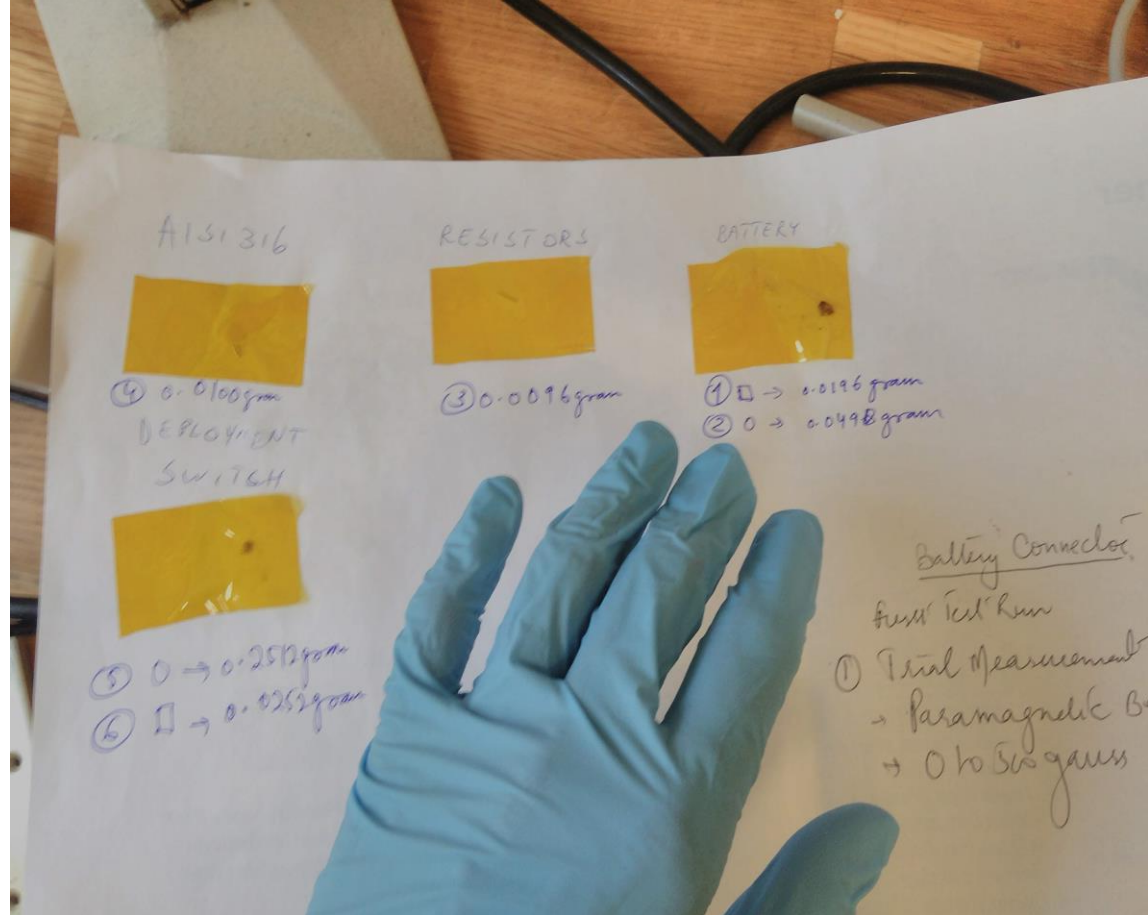
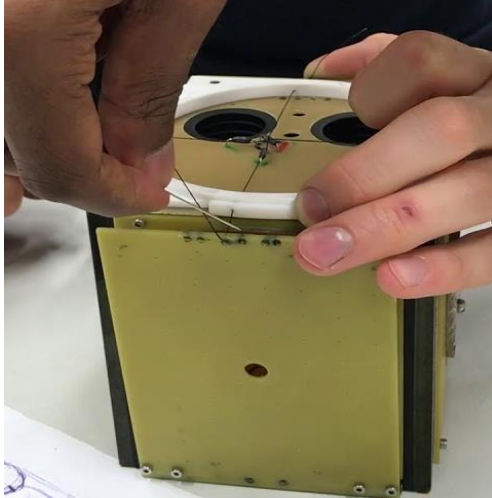


# TTU100 CubeSat Project



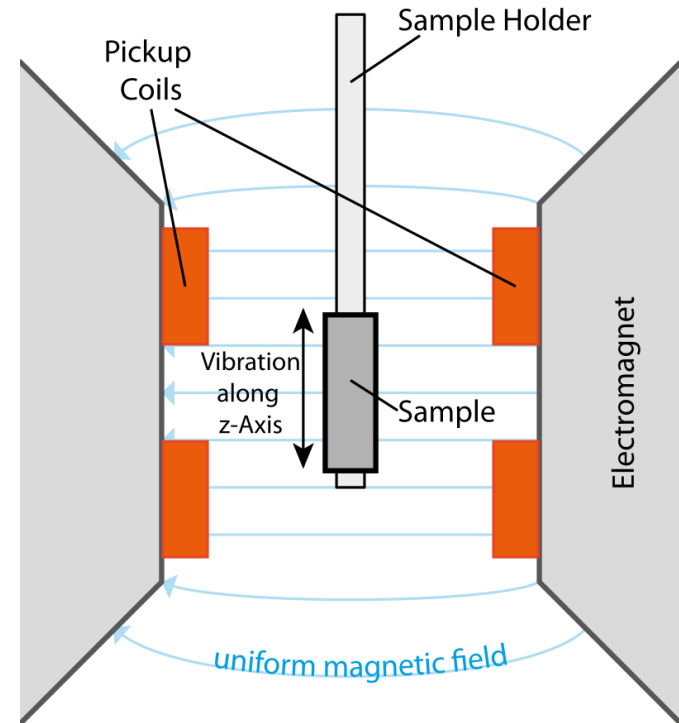


# Sample Test using VSM

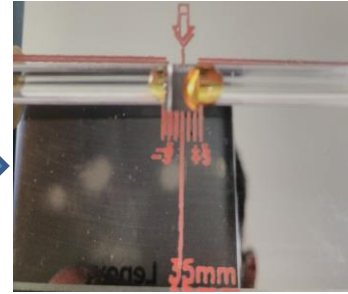
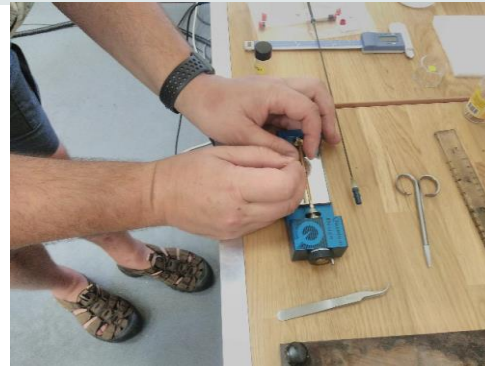
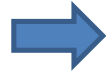
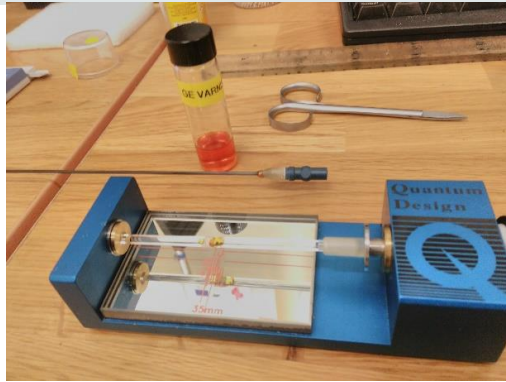
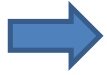


# Magnetic Measurement Devices

## → VSM (vibrating sample magnetometer)



# Test Set-Up Procedure



# Analysis of Results

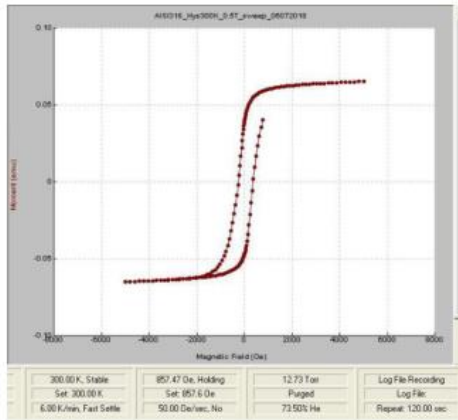


Fig. 10 AIS 316

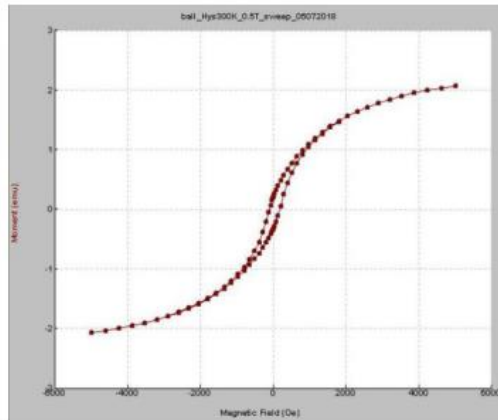


Fig.11 Switch Ball

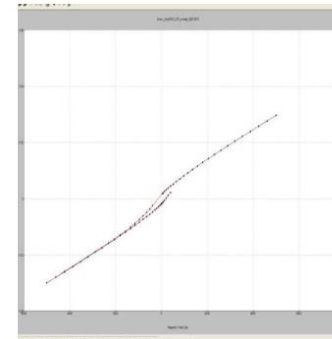


Fig.14 Screw

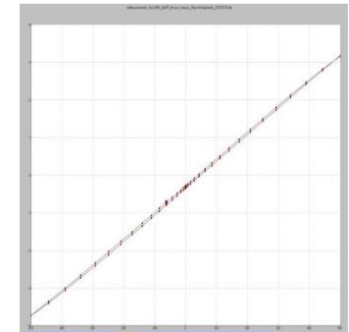


Fig.15 Battery Connector

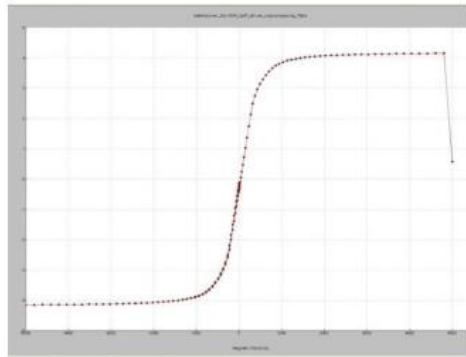


Fig. 12 Battery Cover

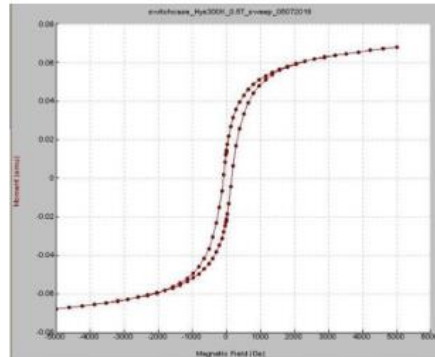
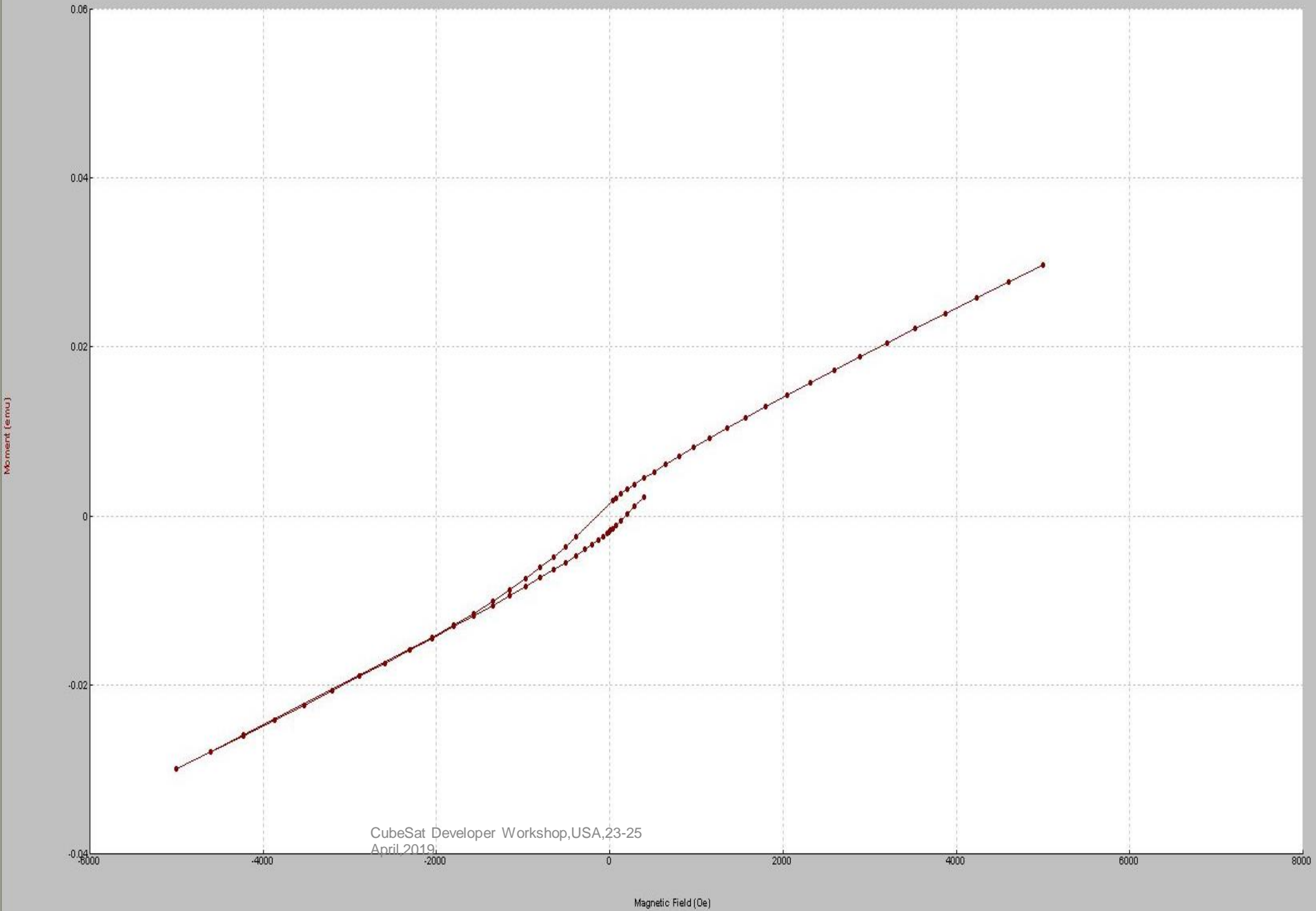


Fig.13 Switch Case





# Result Intrepretation in Space Environment

## FerroMagnetic Screw



➔ Ferromagnetic Specimen induces Torque

$$\tau = M \times B$$

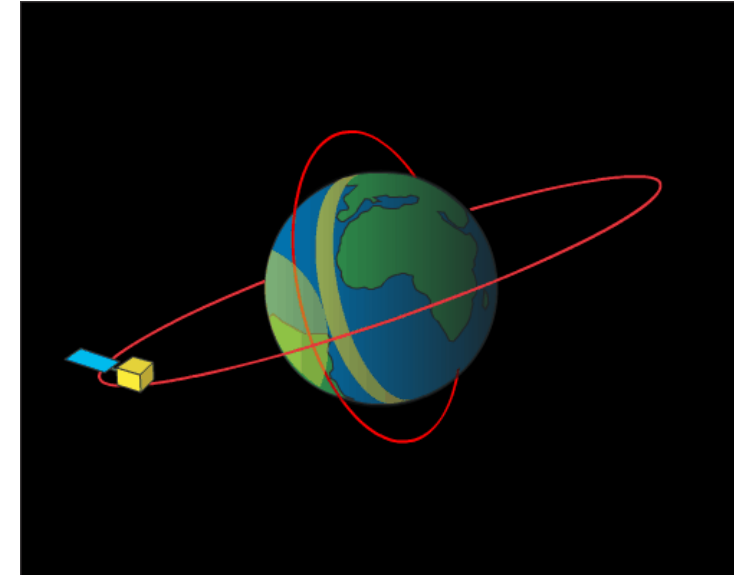
**M**= Magnetic Moment

**B**= Magnetic field Strength

➔ Torque affects Spin Stabilisation of the Satellite

➔ Resulting into the Satellite not stabilised/  
Oriented Correctly towards Earth

➔ Earth Imaging Satellites affected maximum due to Unstability



# Conclusion



**VSM is a good tool to Measure Magnetic moment for Materials, suitable for both weakly and strongly magnetic substances**



**Magnetic substances disturbs the stabilization of the Spacecraft**



**External Unwanted Torque must be avoided to keep the Spacecraft Stabilized**



**Replacement of the Magnetic Substance with Non Magnetic Substance**



**Development of New Materials/Manufacturing Processes**

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**- Antoine de Saint-Exupéry**

