



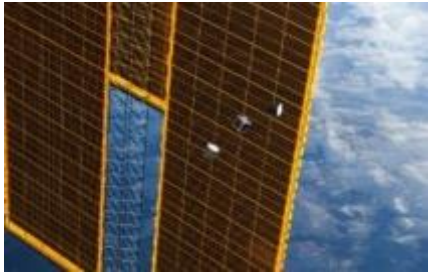
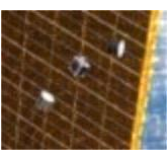
SJSU Virtual Reality, View from a Cube Satellite

Integration: October 17, 2018

Launch Date: December 5, 2018
Launch Vehicle: SpaceX CRS-16
Jettison Date: January 31st, 2019

April 25, 2019

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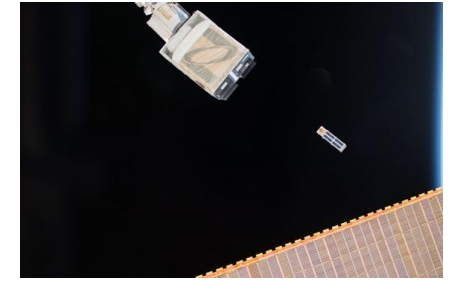
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(HTV-3 July 12,2012)



TechEdSat-3 (ISS Jettison Nov. 20, 2013)
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TechEdSat-4 (ISS Jettison March 4, 2015)
(Antares-120 July 13,2014)



TechEdSat-6 (ISS Jettison Nov 20,2017)
(ATK-8 Nov. 12, 2017)



TechEdSat-5 (ISS Jettison March 6,2017)
(H-II Dec 9, 2016)



SOAREX-8, 9



TechEdSat-N and SOAREX Flight Series



**SOAREX-6
2008**



**SOAREX-7
2009**



**TES-1
Oct 4, 2012**

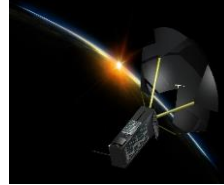
First US Nanosat deployed off ISS
PSRP process mastered
Rad-tolerant processor demo



**TES-2
Iridium test
Aug 21, 2013**

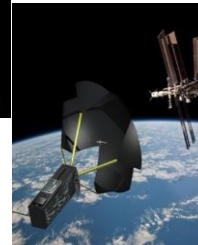
First Iridium in-space COM demonstration

First Exo-Brake Deployed from a cubesat



**TES-3
Aug 3, 2013
(6 wk deorbit)**

Evolution of TES-3 Iridium modem Uplink/via email demonstrated Exo-Brake II



**TES-4
Mar 3, 2015
(4 wk deorbit)**

WSM1, AIM Camera X-Band, ISM-Band, P5 alpha, ISM-Camera and Full ExoBrake



SOAREX-8 During test (WFF) July 7, 2015

WSM2, AIM Camera ISM-Band, P5 alpha, ISM-Camera



SOAREX-9 (WFF) March 3, 2016

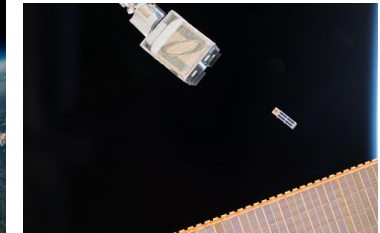
Modulated Exo-Brake Improved positional/target accuracy Improved Targeting, WSM2, ISM Band



TechEdSat5/P honeSat5 March 6, 2017

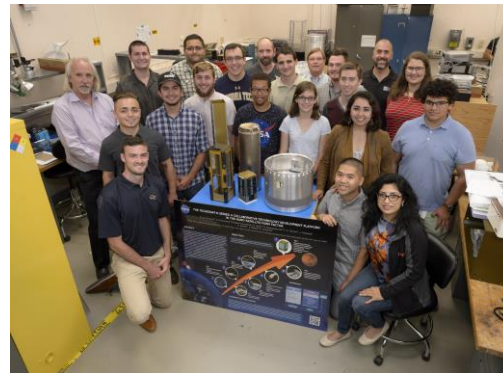


First cubesat commanded and target for re-entry, ISM band, WSM2



TechEdSat-6 (ISS Jettison Nov 20, 2017) (ATK-8 Nov. 12, 2017)

Recent Years of Flight Experiments (2008-2015): 6 Flights +1(SOAREX8&9) +PhoneSats 1-4



First Lunar and Mars radio, control board with magnetorquers, VR and Nvidia board, rad-tolerant power board.



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Let's Load and Go



VR Team



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SJSU Professors

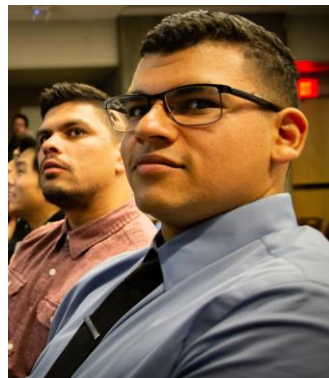
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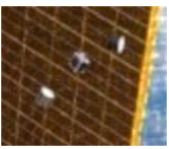


TES/P Team Summer 2017

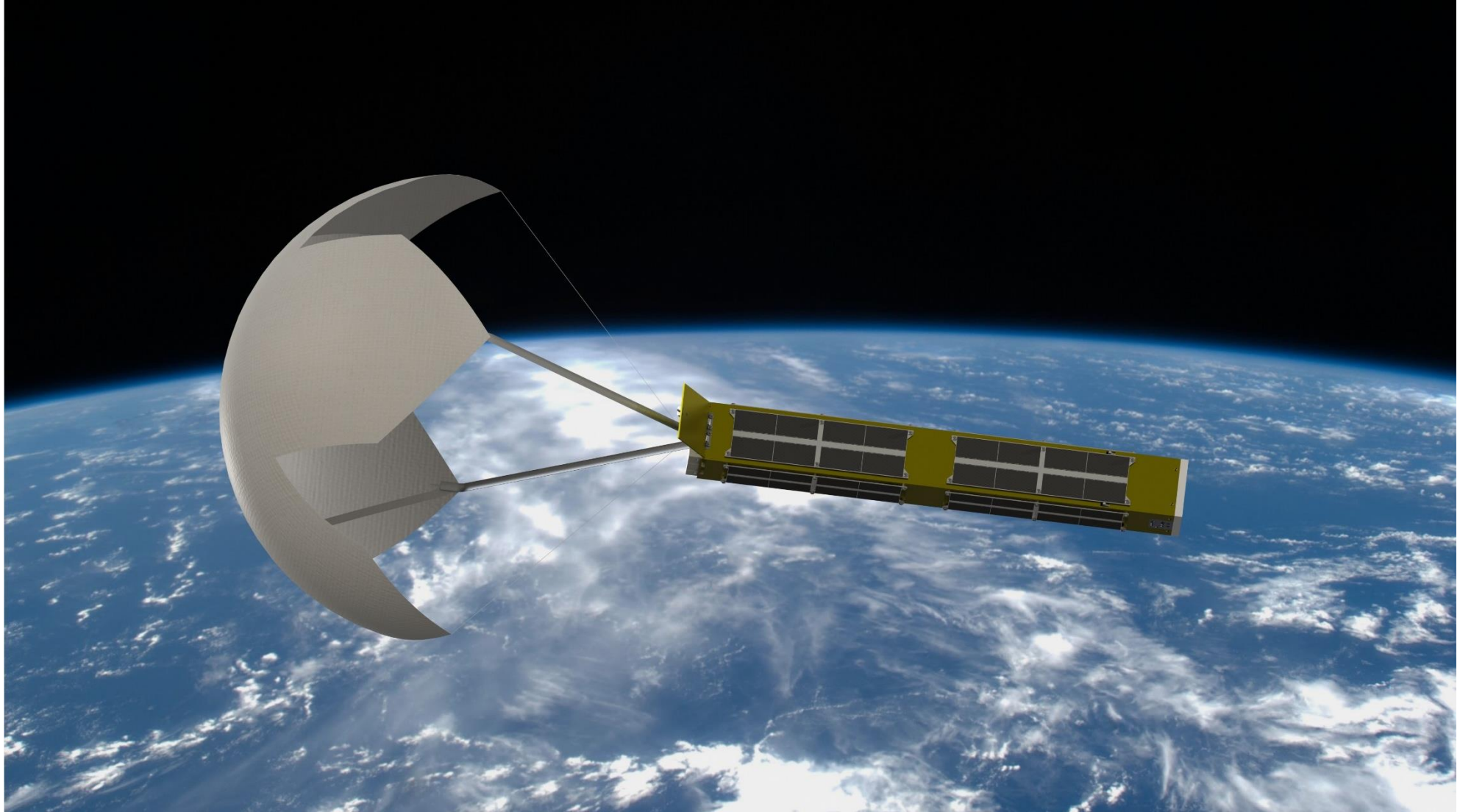


TechEdSat Team 2018





TechEdSat-8



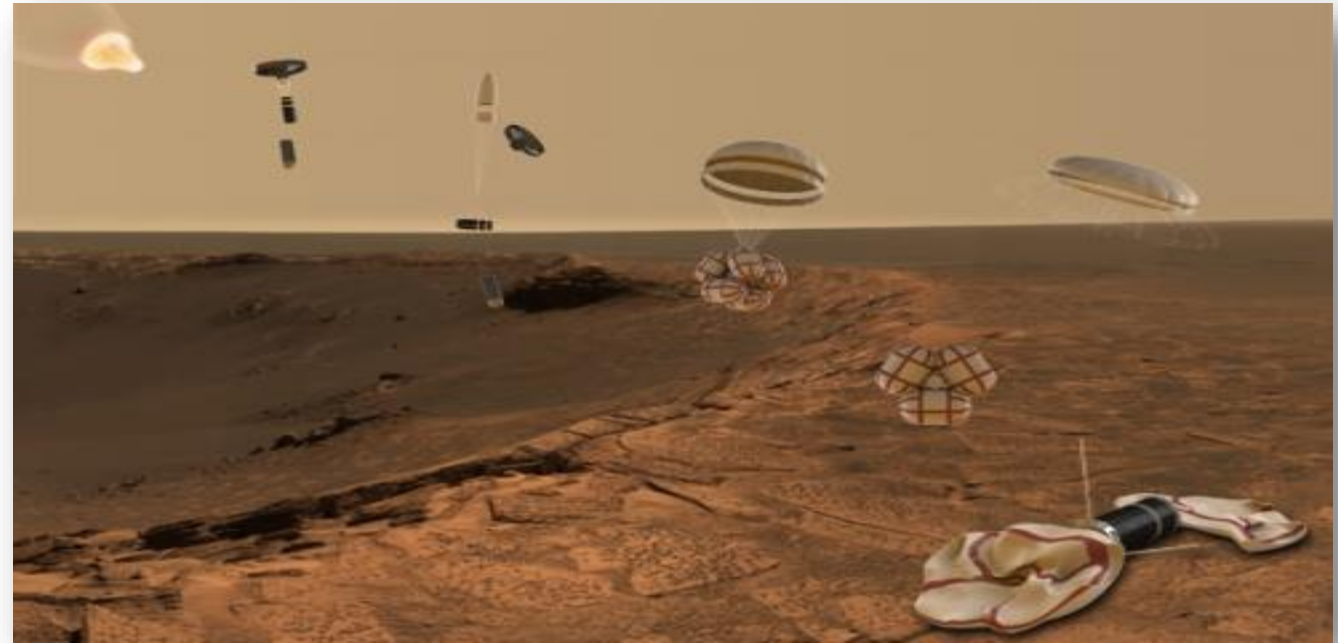


Background

ISS EDL Capabilities For Future Missions

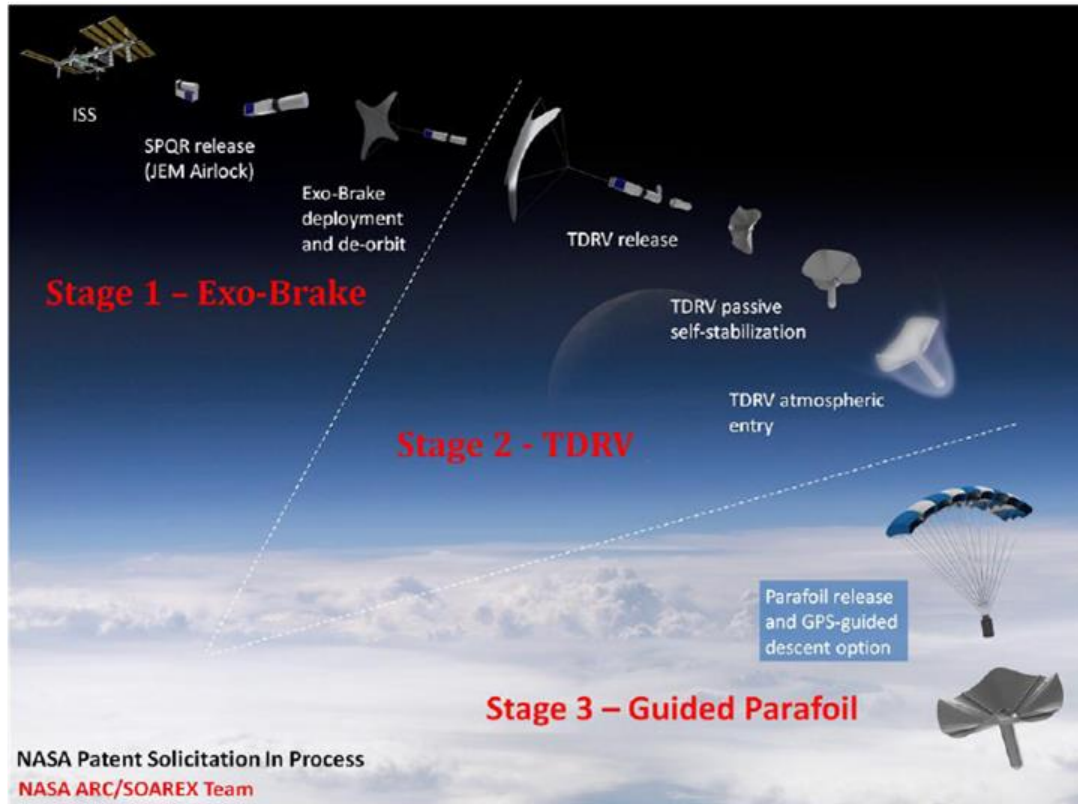
SPQR-Small Payload Quick Return

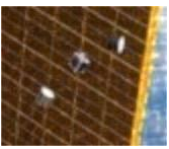
- 3 stage concept
- Rapid Development and Test of **science and technology**



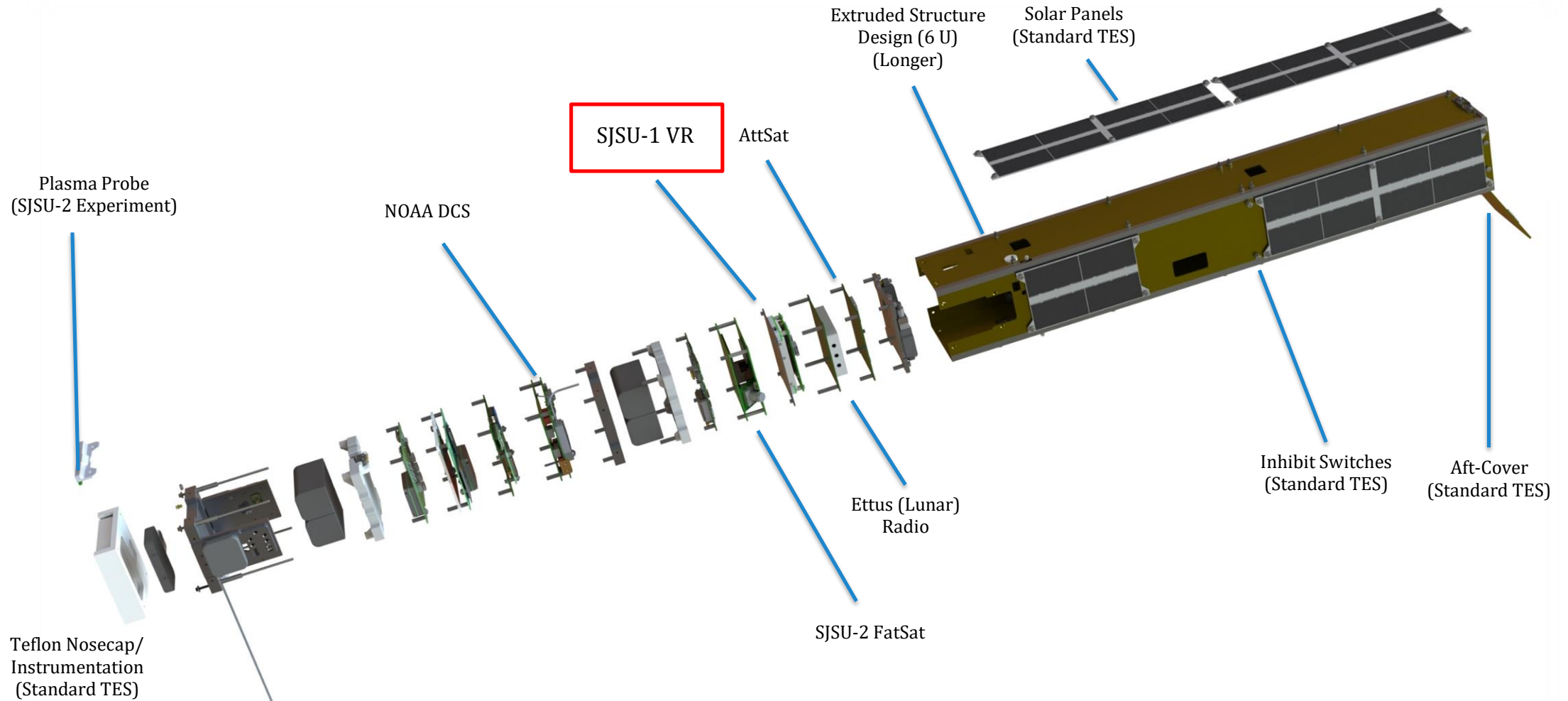
Atromos: Cubesat Mission to the Surface of Mars

- **Mission Attributes**
 - Self-stabilizing re-entry probe (TDRV-Tube Deployed Re-Entry Vehicle)
 - EDL Technique for small probes
 - Nuclear option for mission longevity





TES-8 Exploded View



Nano-Orbital Workshop: **8 radios** (3 Iridium; 1 Globalstar; GOES/DCS/Mars Radio, Wifi-to-ground; Internal Zigbee sensor network; Lunar Radio/SDR), **4 cameras** (including VR), banjo-magnetorquer, Plasma experiment; **8 processors** (including NVIDIA/TX2), modulated **Exo-Brake**.





VR (SJSU Experiment)



VR Research Experiment



Mission Goal of VR Team

- Obtain **Stereoscopic video** of the exterior of ISS as TES-8 was jettisoned from the NanoRacks Deployer (NRCSD).
- Command TES-8 via Iridium to turn on PhoneSat and command VR to record videos.
- VR provides the ability for millions to experience space missions remotely in 3D.
- Combined with **NVIDIA's TX2 AI compute engine**, it can become a powerful next-gen tool for local real-time **analysis and decision making**.
- Transfer image data to Intel Edison Board
- Analyze packets send via Iridium vs. SBAND
- **Validate NVIDIA TX2 edge (local) onboard computing capabilities**
 - Measure system performance
 - Capture, encode, packetize stereo HD video



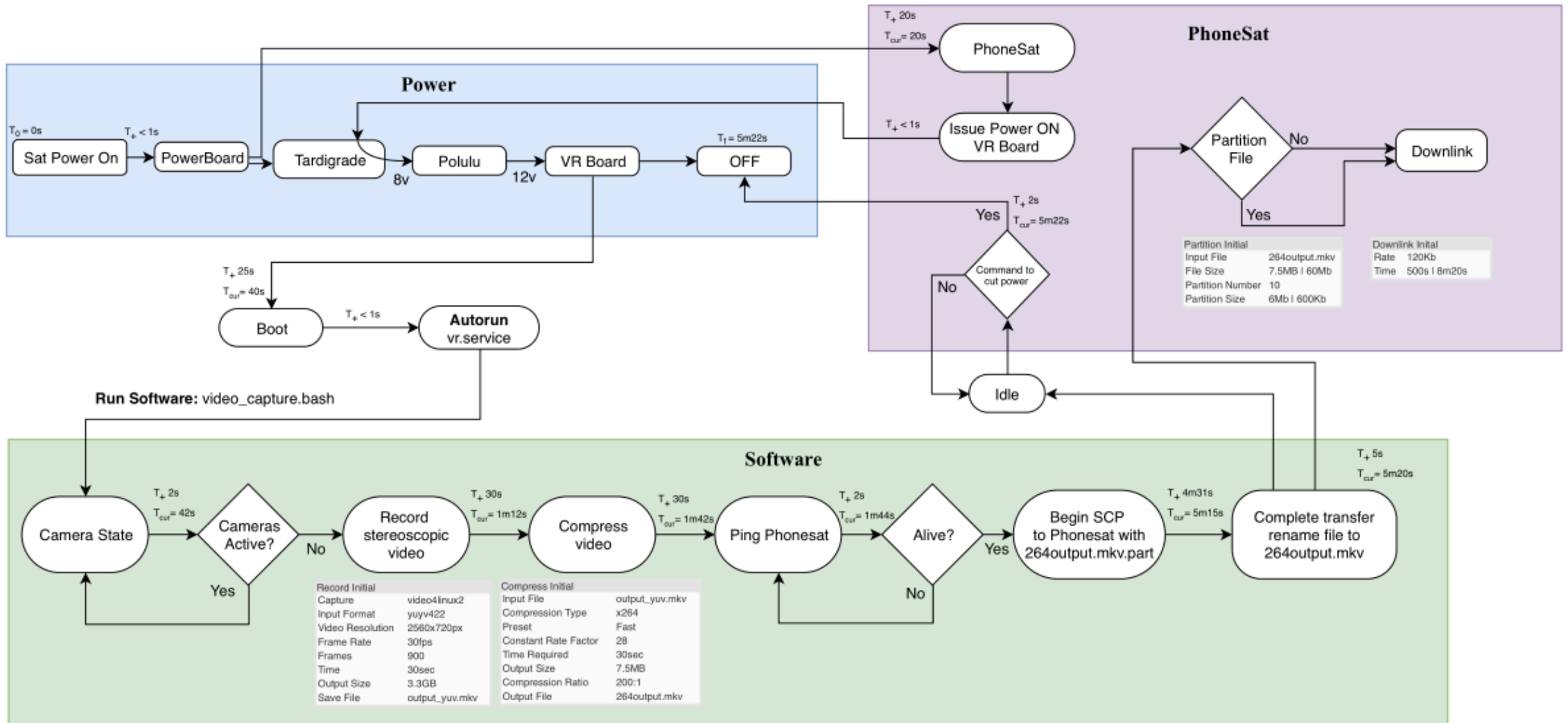
Bernardo and Austin working on TechEdSat 8



SJSU Software Diagram



[SJSU] VR





Environmental Testing

Computing

Raspberry PI 3, ODROID-N2, NVidia TX2

Daughter board

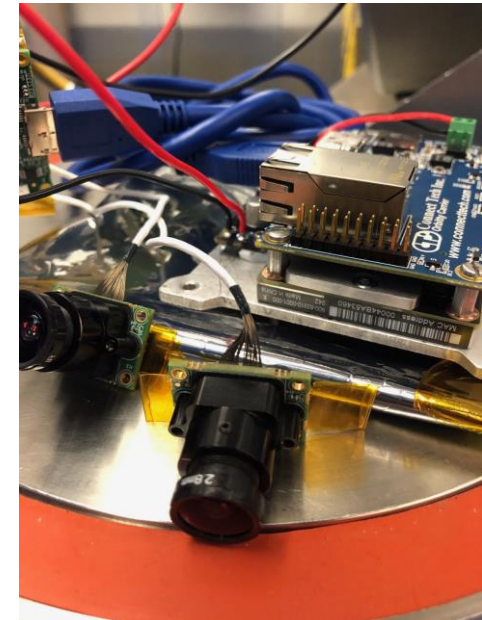
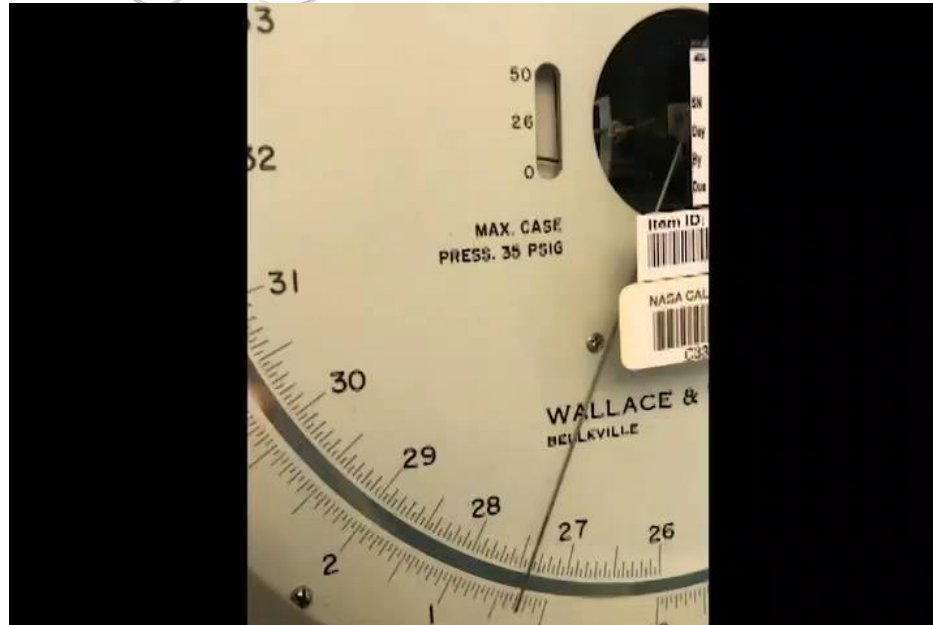
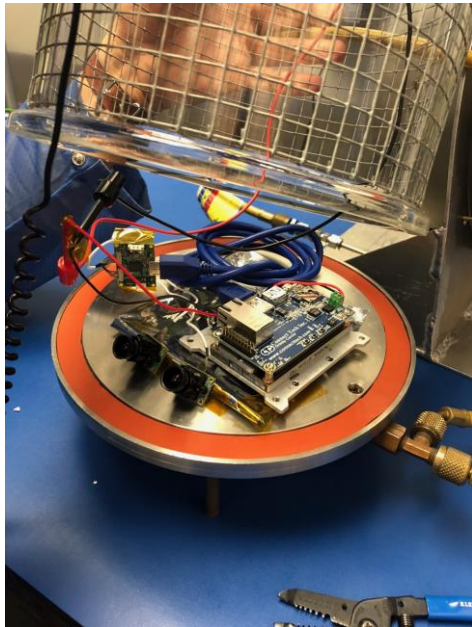
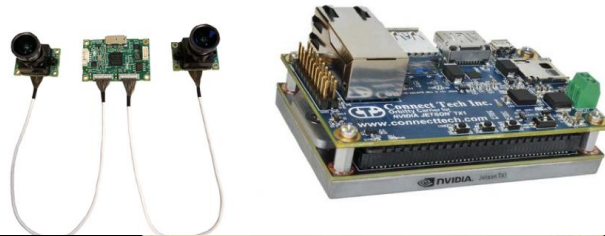
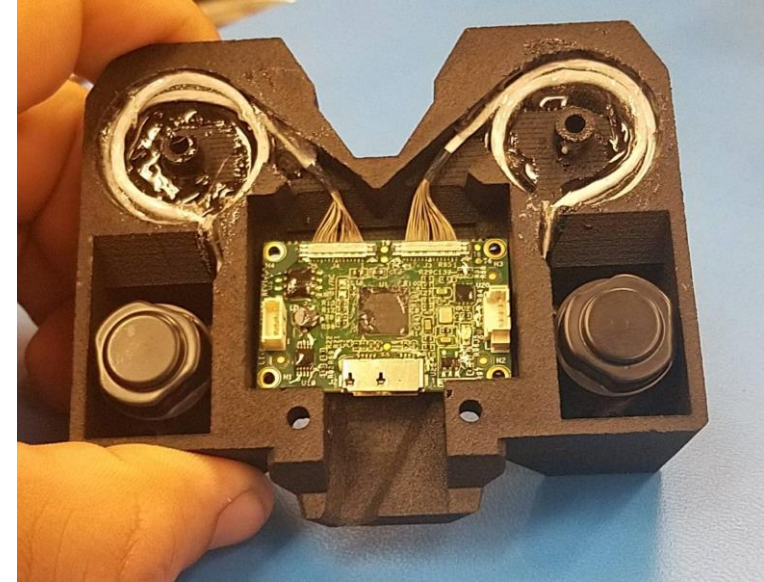
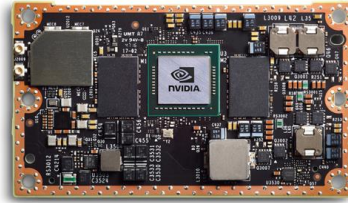
AVerMedia's EX731-AA/N1, Connect Tech's Orbitty Carrier

Camera

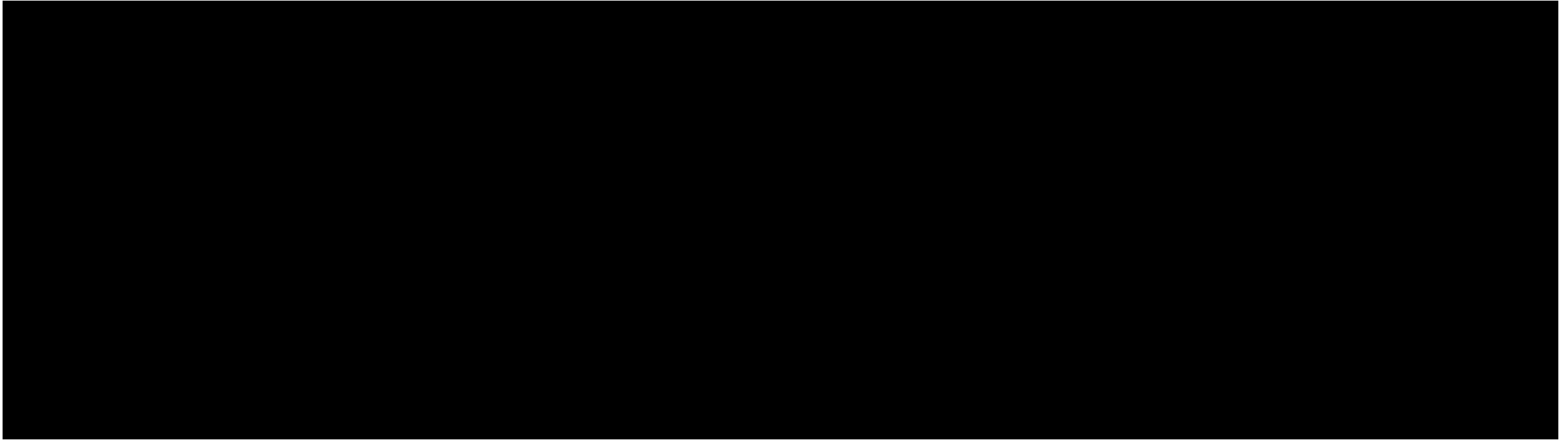
ZED Stereo Camera, LI-OV580-STEREO

Choices between software.

C++, Shell/Unix, Bash script.



Pre-flight validation test



Pre-flight test validation with more than 200:1 compression ratio.

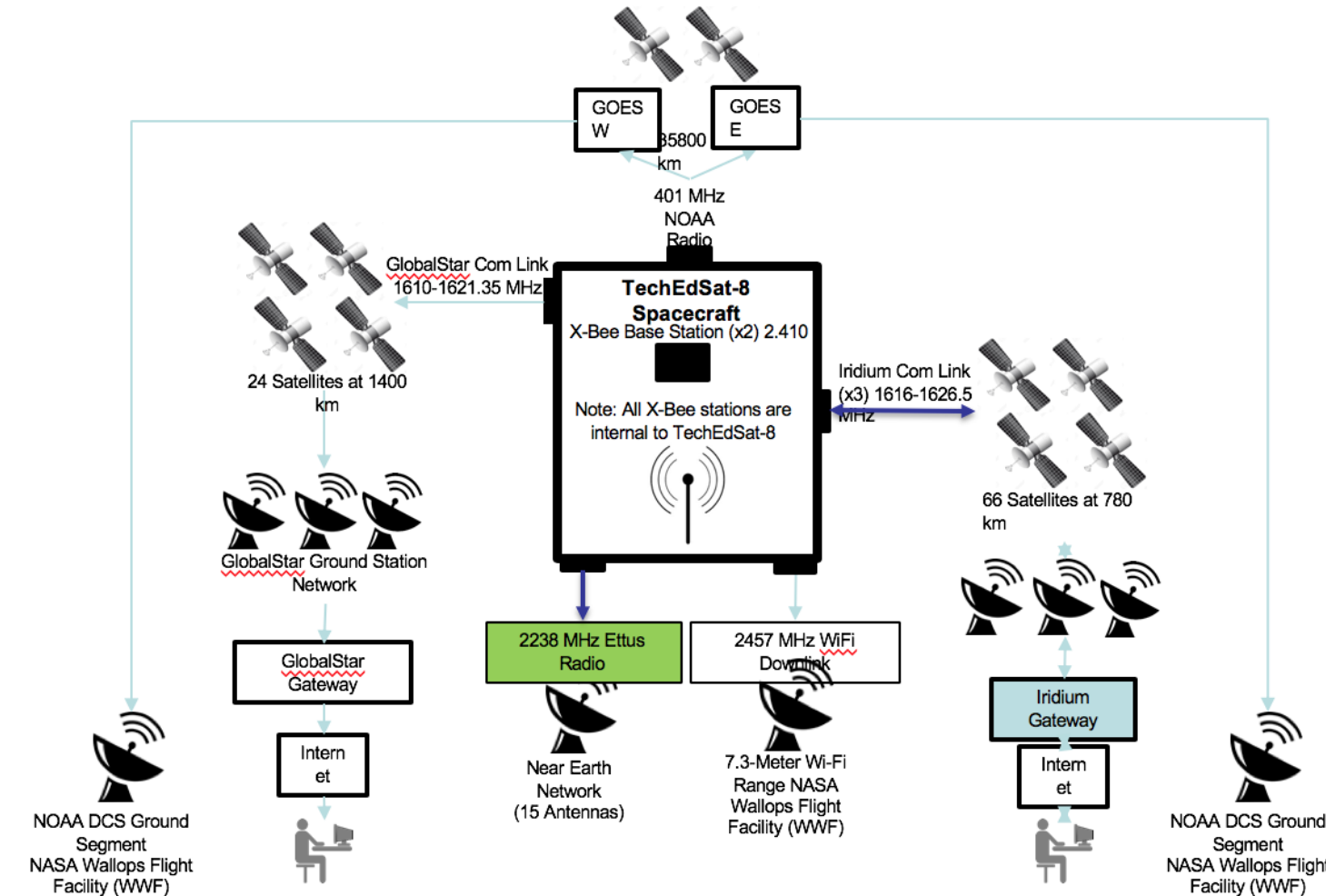
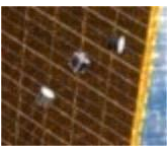




Transmitting from Space

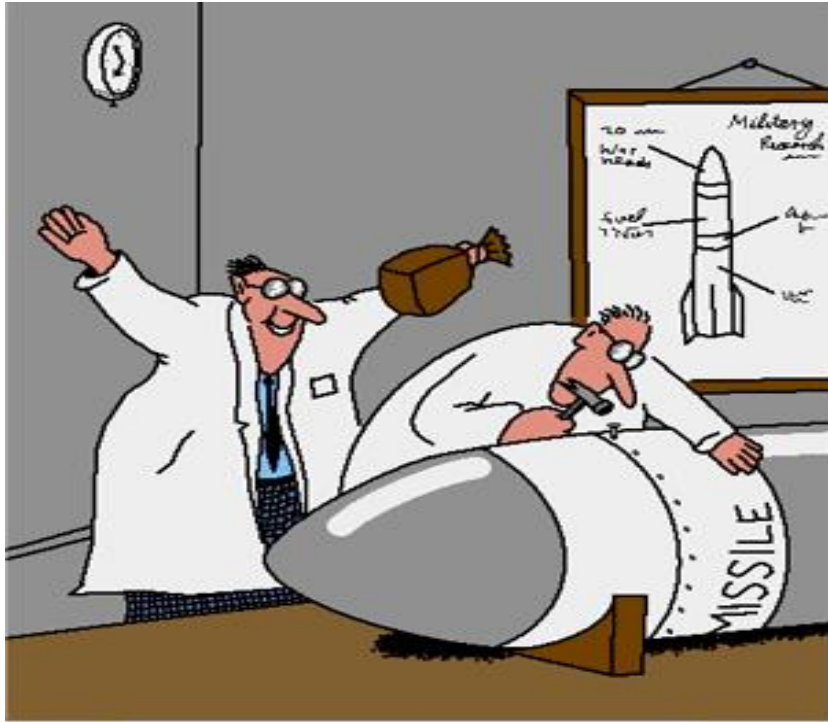


How to bring data down for VR Experiment



- **NEN-compatible S-band**
 - uses SDR transmitter (ETTUS) intended for use in one of the EM-1 nanosat payloads
- **LEO applications**
 - ~15 ground antennas scattered over the globe
 - Increase of the downlink capability of current generation nano-sats
- **TechEdSat-8 experiment**
 - transmit data gathered from the VR (Virtual Reality) experiment, during which >200:1 compression techniques would be used
 - validate the COM system of a 'pathfinder' EM-1 payload
 - high volumes of optical data would be processed on-board with the NVIDIA TX2 system, compressed, and downlinked.





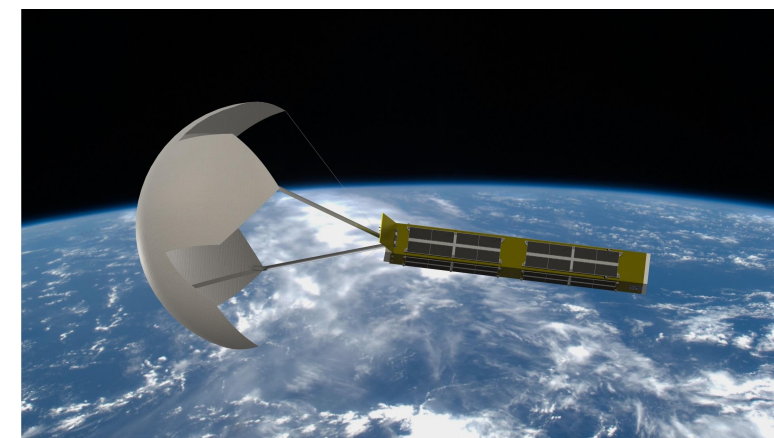
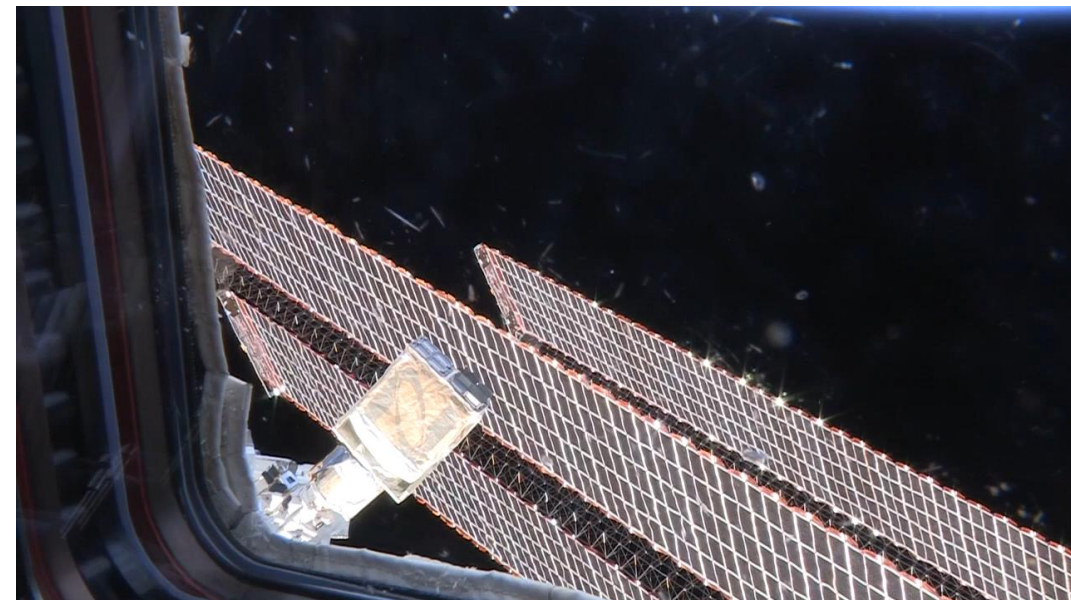
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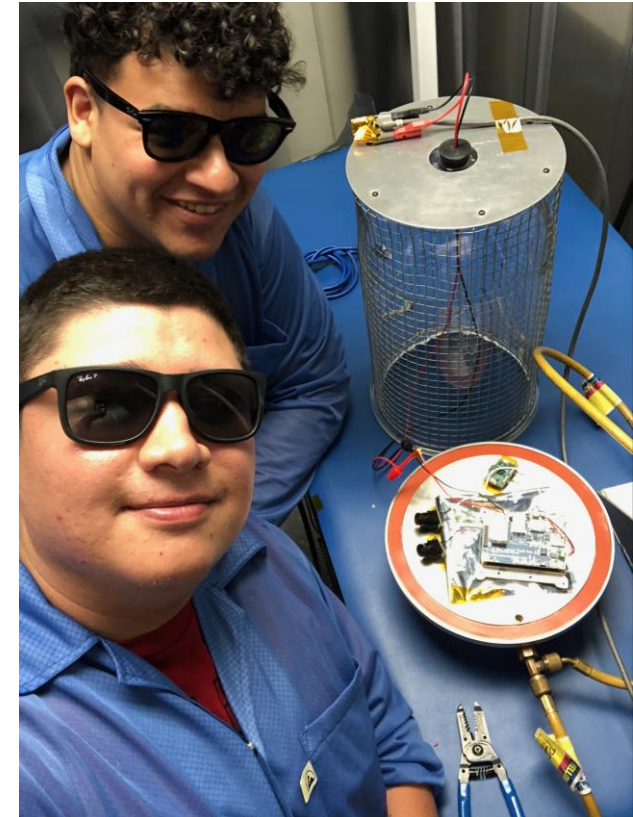
- Nanosat is jettisoned from the ISS/NRCSD
- TES-8 powers the core microprocessors/Iridium/VR/ Cameras
- Records for 30sec (after 42 sec latency)
 - 30 Frames/sec
 - Video resolution 2560x720pixels
 - Total data 3.3GB
- NVIDIA/TX2 performs 200:1 compression to result in 7.5MB (60 Mb)
- Wifi transmission to the PhoneSat/Intel-Edison
- Phonesat partitions compressed file 10x resulting in 6Mb/file
- Wait for Iridium-1,2 command to downlink compressed data to NEN(Near Earth Network) antennas at 125Kb/s
- Repeat 10 times

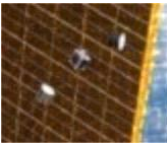


Future Considerations & Iterations



- **More functions** to the Sub system, such as different video types, frame rates, size.
- Different cameras/position on Satellite
- **More cameras** around the whole system. Truly get a full VR experience of the satellite.
- Eventually be able to use this as the eyes to the satellite for later **attitude control designs**.
- First demonstration
 - **Power cycling, thermal management, data processing, and data transfer**
- Compression of very large data for optical instruments (e.g. **hyperspectral**)
- AI algorithms to determine which data sets manipulate and send to ground station
- Coupled with **high data rate downlink capability** (e.g. Use of NEN with S-Band and/or X-BAND Capability; Limited laser com)





Summary of TechEdSat-8 Mission VR Experiment



- One of the first flight demonstrations of a **COTS graphics GPU** (256-core NVIDIA/TX2) is described
- Flown as a sub-experiment on the **TechEdSat-8 nano-sat** (NASA Ames) and deployed on Jan 31, 2019
- TES-8 is a series nano-sat, with **150W-hr power system** and **8 transmitters** developed as a Nano—Orbital Workshop (**NOW**) to rapidly involve innovative technologies.
- The NVIDIA/TX2 experiment collected **3.3 GB of ISS video data** from the VR experiment and successfully compressed **200:1** using the **H.264 algorithm**.
- The **5.3MB compressed file** was then to be downlinked via an experimental SDR s-band – but **power system** anomaly before the downlink carried out (after 2 successful weeks of operation, partial down link via iridium)
- Minimum use of **high transistor density GPU** appears VIABLE as long as it is used sparingly (due to **radiation effects**, it should be powered ‘OFF’ unless needed)
- Future tests planned on **TES10, 12** with enhanced SW and revised power subsystem and Lunar Radios



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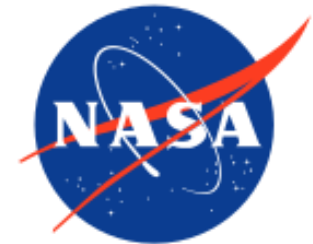
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