



Russian private space company

Orbicraft Pro

Complete CubeSat kit
based on Raspberry-Pi

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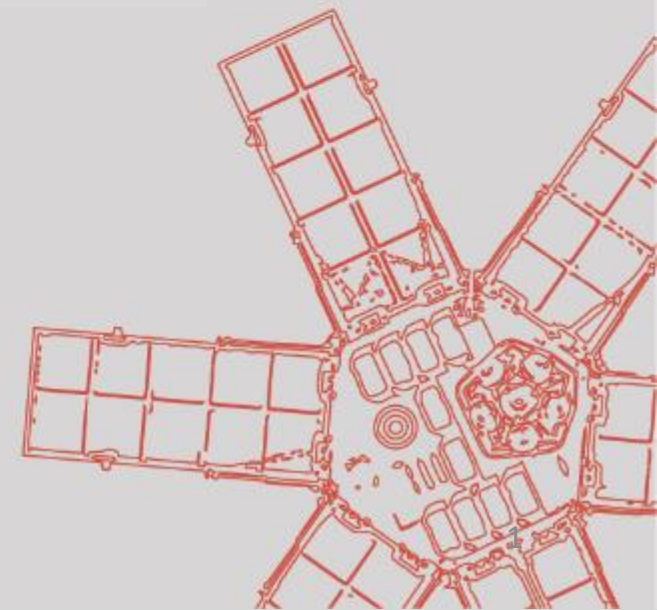
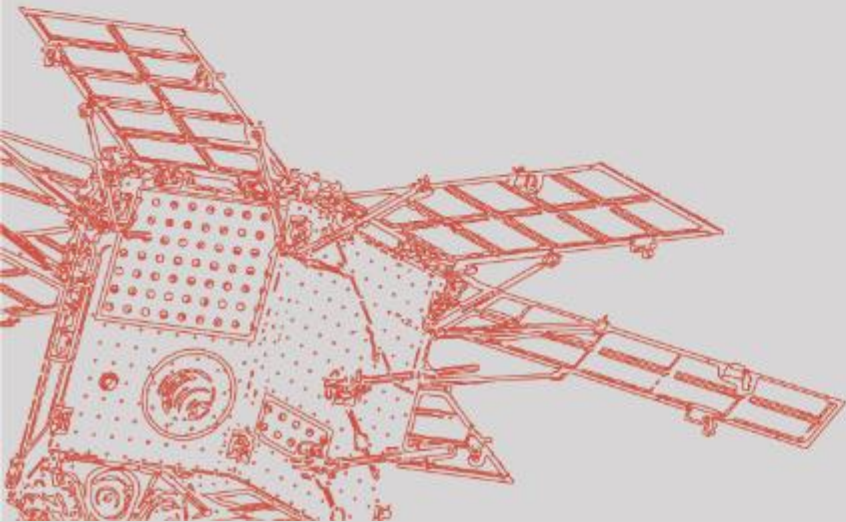
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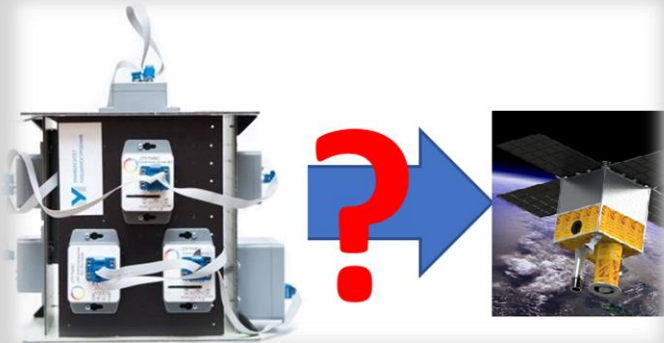
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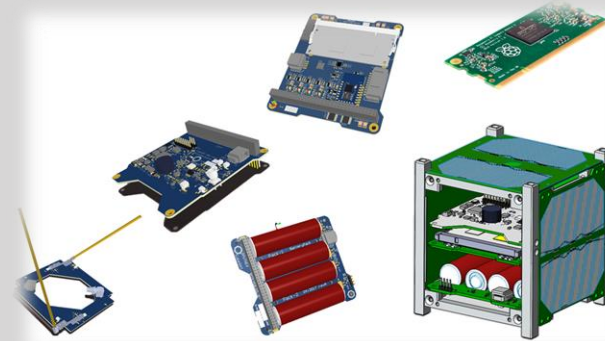


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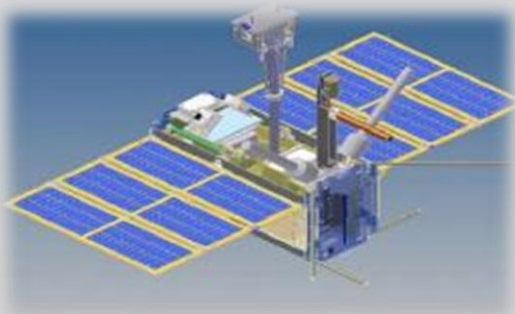


CubeSat development background: SPUTNIX experience

Altitude determination and control system for satellite "Chibis-M"

Development,
manufacture and
operation of the three-axis
electrodynamic attitude
determination and control
system with magnetic
damping (accuracy up to
1 degree)

Project Dates: 2012-2014



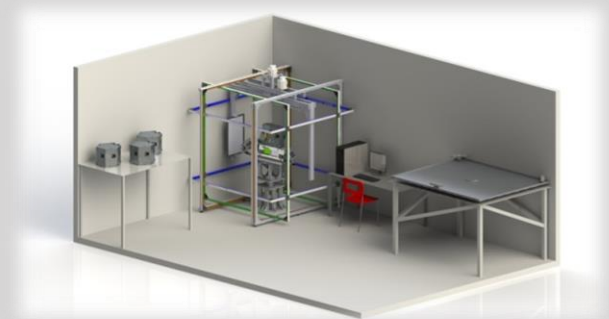
"TabletSat Aurora" - SPUTNIX technologies demonstration satellite

Launched on June 22, 2014 on
the "Dnepr" LV
Satellite mass 26,5 kg
Average power consumption
60 W
TM&TC - UHF 9,8 Kbps
Payload downlink – X-band
64Mbps
Orientation and stabilization
are better than 0.1° and $0.01^\circ/\text{s}$
Payload – EO camera, GSD of
15 m, frame size is $40 * 50 \text{ km}$
Project dates: 2013-2014



Laboratories for universities, research and educational centers

ADCS testing facilities
and formation flying test-
bed facilities for
universities and research
centers in Russia and CIS
Project dates: 2015-2017
(more than 5 labs)





CubeSat development background: Market demands

Key-products

Accessory

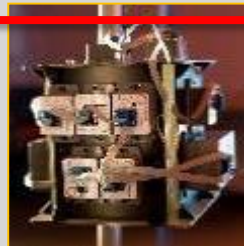
Professional



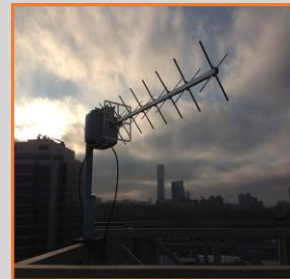
Universities



Schools



Elementary school



Microsatellites,
ground radio
stations, ADCS
testing facilities



Advanced satellite
mockup, orbital
environment
simulators,
amateur ground
radio

Satellite mockup
with OBC, sensors,
reaction wheel,
EPS for schools



CubeSat development background: Selection of CubeSat

BENEFITS

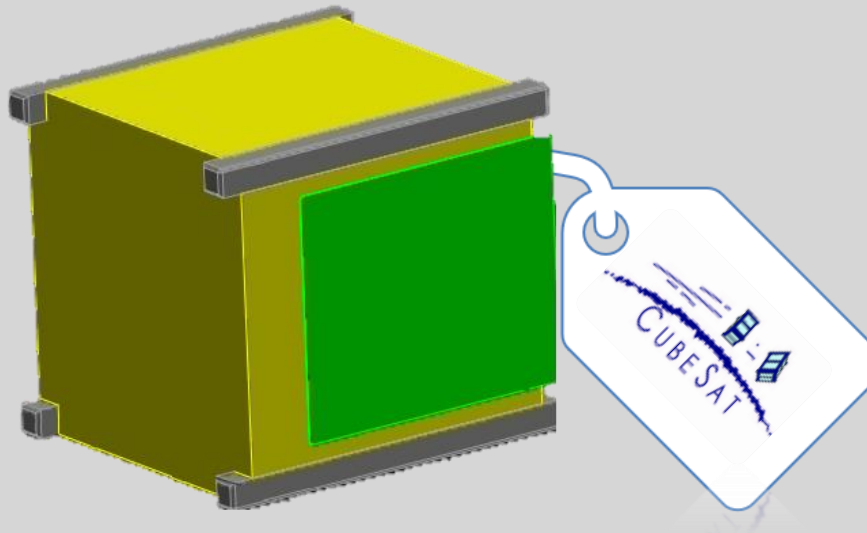
- Compact and light
- Low-cost
- Infrastructure and community
- Standardization
- Free educational launches from Roscosmos

APPLICATIONS

- University space activities
- Amateur radio satellites
- Other educational launches

LIMITATIONS

- Low energy
- Payload size and weight
- Low resolution components
- Always secondary payload



POSSIBLE PAYLOADS

- Low-resolution cameras
- Radio transceivers
- Particles detectors
- Materials and equipment flight tests



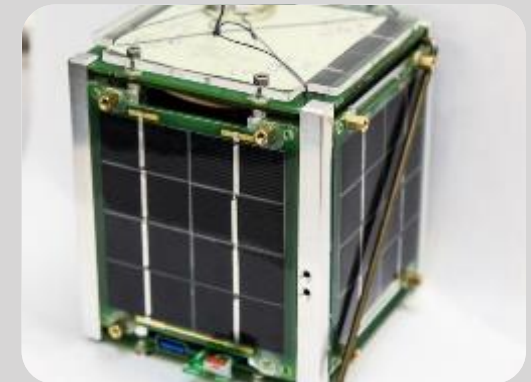
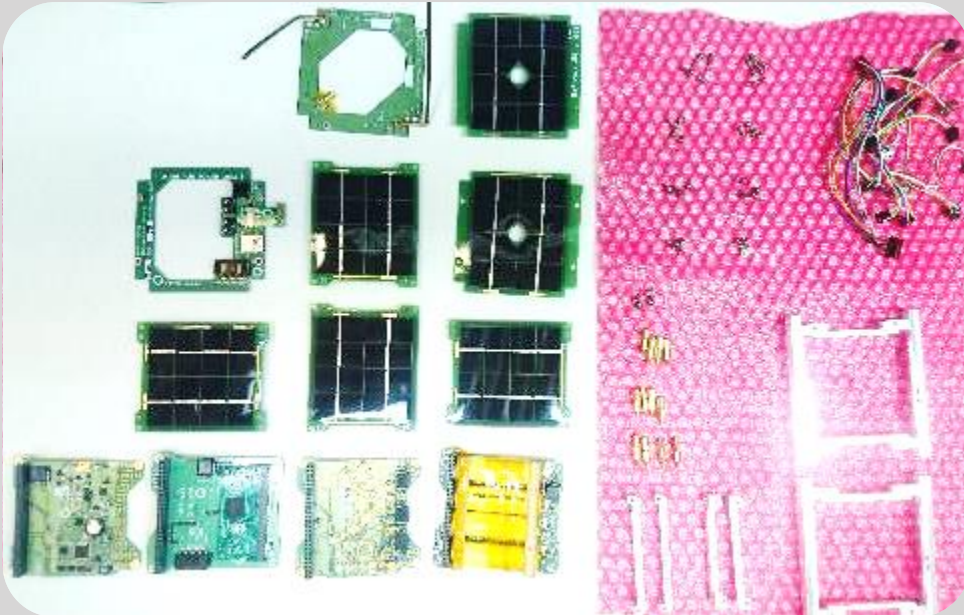
CubeSat development background: Development result - Orbicraft Pro kit

Why Raspberry?

- Easy-programming with open-source community
- Compatible with junior Orbicraft construction set
- Tiny power consumption and size

Why kit?

- Convenient and visual for starter education
- Involve students with hand-working process
- Reduces costs on assembly and tests for universities
- Flexible for different payloads





CubeSat development background: Development process

Stages:

1. CubeSat 1U and 3U development

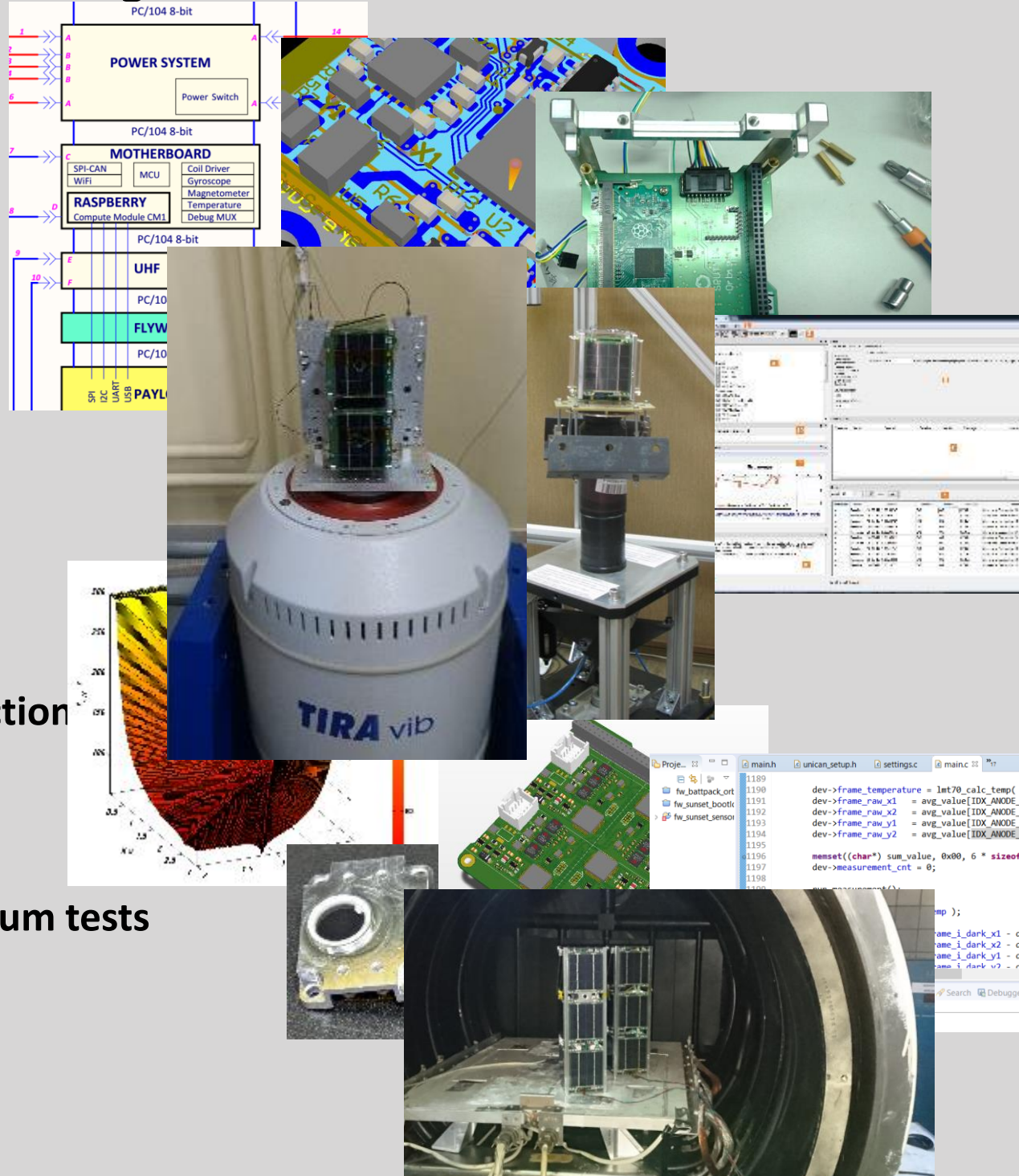
1. Architecture design
2. Samples production
3. Software development
4. Functional tests
5. Mechanical and vacuum tests

2. Attitude control system

1. Design and calculations
2. Sun sensor production
3. Reaction wheels module production
4. Firmware development
5. 3U CubeSat integration
6. Functional tests
7. Additional Mechanical and vacuum tests

3. Final preparations

1. Kits content and configurations
2. Documentation





Orbicraft Pro description: Configurations

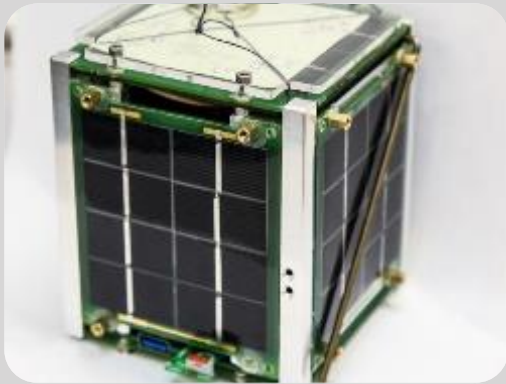


Configuration	Educational	Experimental	Flight	Scientific
Description	Basic CubeSat kit for manual assembly and adjustments (DIY)	Assembled and verified by manufacturer CubeSat unit, ready for payload integration and testing	Assembled, verified, and calibrated by manufacturer unit, passed all qualification testing with or w/o payload.	Fully tested flight unit with installed and calibrated 3-axis orientation system and GaAs solar panels.
CubeSat 1U model (included options)	SXC1	SXC1-A (AS included)	SXC-F (AS, TF, TM included)	
Options	GA1	TF, GA1	GA1	
CubeSat 3U model (included options)	SXC3	SXC3-A (AS)	SXC3-F (AS, TF, TM)	SXC3-MAX (AS, GA3, OSS, TFF, TM)
Available options	GA3	TF, GA3, OSS, TFF	GA3	

ADCS	3-axis orientation system including 6 sun sensors and reaction wheels module with 4 wheels
GA1	Set of 4 side and 2 end GaAs panels for 1U CubeSat
GA3	Set of 12 side and 2 end GaAs panels for 3U CubeSat
AS	Unit assembly and verification on manufacturer site
TF	Basic functional testing : PSU cycling, radio channel, electromagnetic angular velocity damping test
TFF	Testing from TF option and 3-axis orientation system examination with protocol
TM	Space qualification tests with approved protocol: vacuum, thermal and mechanical impact tests



Orbcraft Pro description: Technical data



Orbcraft SXC1-A

- Dimensions – 1U CubeSat
- Weight – 0.8 kg
- Payload power – up to 0.25 W
- Sensors: gyro, magnetometer, temperature
- Computer: Raspberry-Pi
- RAM – 1 GB, ROM – 4 GB
- Electromagnetic coils set



Orbcraft SXC3-A

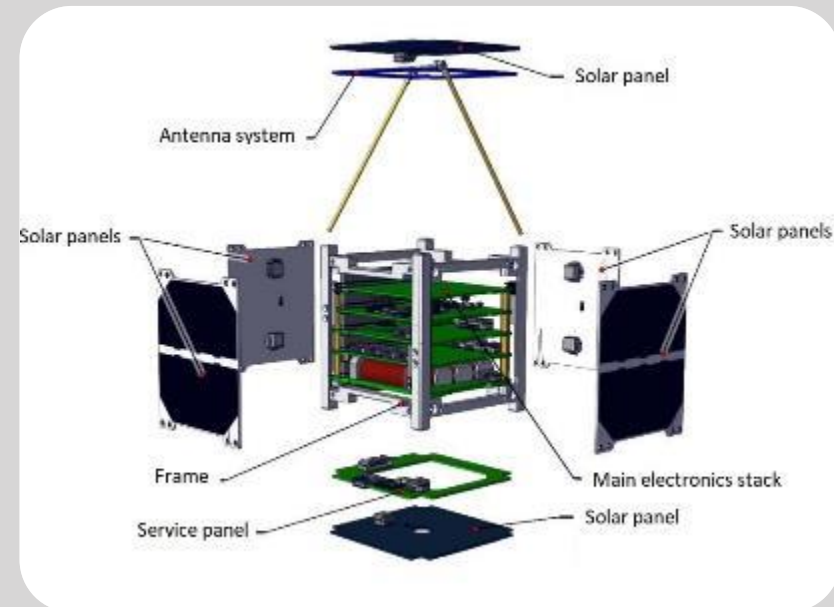
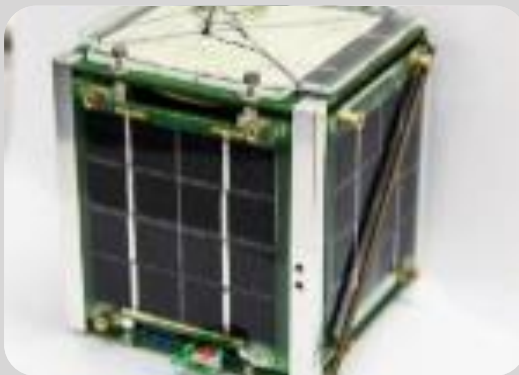
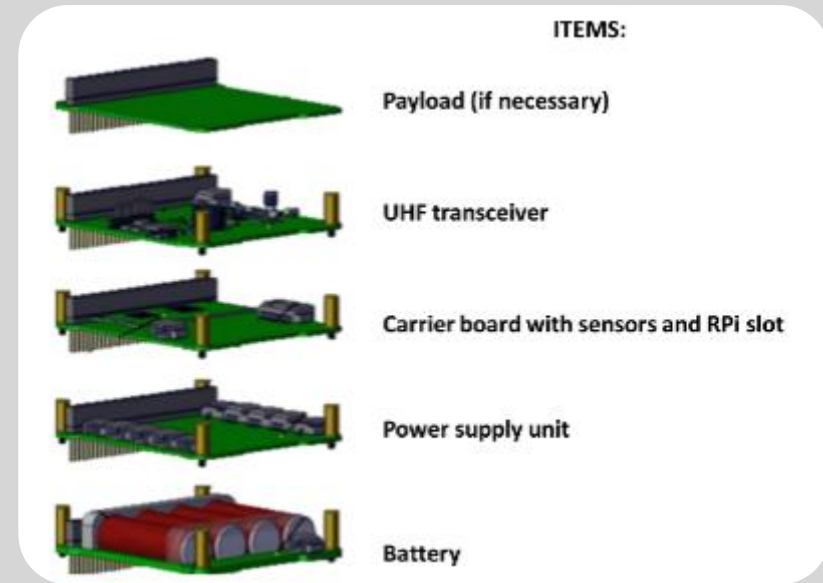
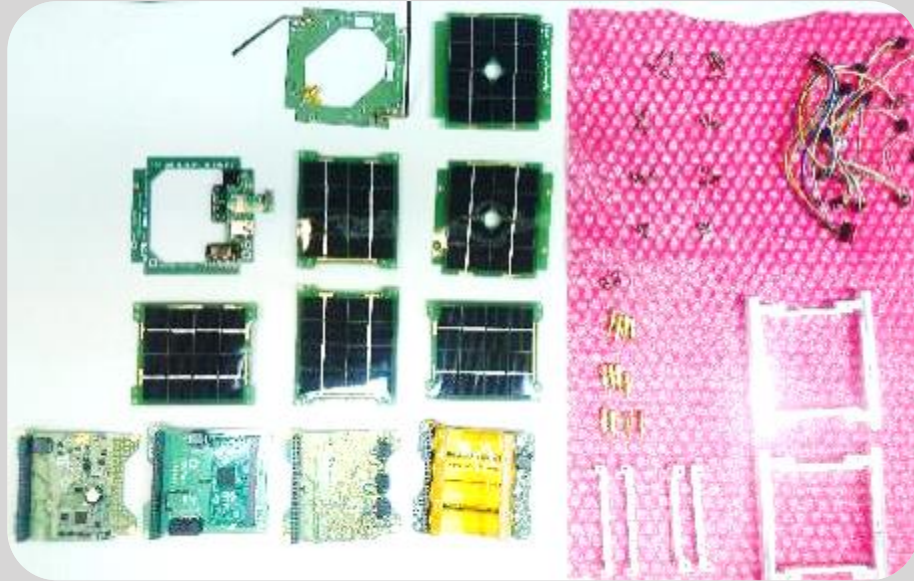
- **Dimensions – 3U CubeSat**
- **Weight – 1.35 kg**
- **Payload power – up to 0.75 W**
- Sensors: gyro, magnetometer, temperature
- Computer: Raspberry-Pi
- RAM – 1 GB, ROM – 4 GB
- Electromagnetic coils set

Orbcraft SXC3-A +ADCS

- Dimensions – 3U CubeSat
- **Weight – 1.8 kg**
- **Payload power – up to 0.5 W**
- **Sensors: sun, gyro, magnetometer, temperature**
- Computer: Raspberry-Pi
- RAM – 1 GB, ROM – 4 GB
- Electromagnetic coils set
- **Reaction wheels – 4 pcs.**



Orbicraft Pro description: Assembly





SiriusSat-1 mission: Collaboration



СИРИУС
ОБРАЗОВАТЕЛЬНЫЙ ЦЕНТР

Educational center SIRIUS –
organization, facilities



SINP MSU – payload idea
and design.



SPUTNIX –CubeSat kit and
system engineering



Two groups of bright and talented students with their leaders
working on satellite systems and payload

3 weeks of July 2017 for everything!



SiriusSat-1 mission: Participants



SINP MSU offered to run a space **mission** for space particles detection and registration **for the space weather monitoring**

Mission subjects:

- Particles from the Earth radiation belts
- Charged particles distribution over LEO

Research relevance:

- Current particle distribution model validation
- LEO radiation monitoring
- The space weather forecast



SPUTNIX took on the role of **industrial partner** in spacecraft development

Hardware:

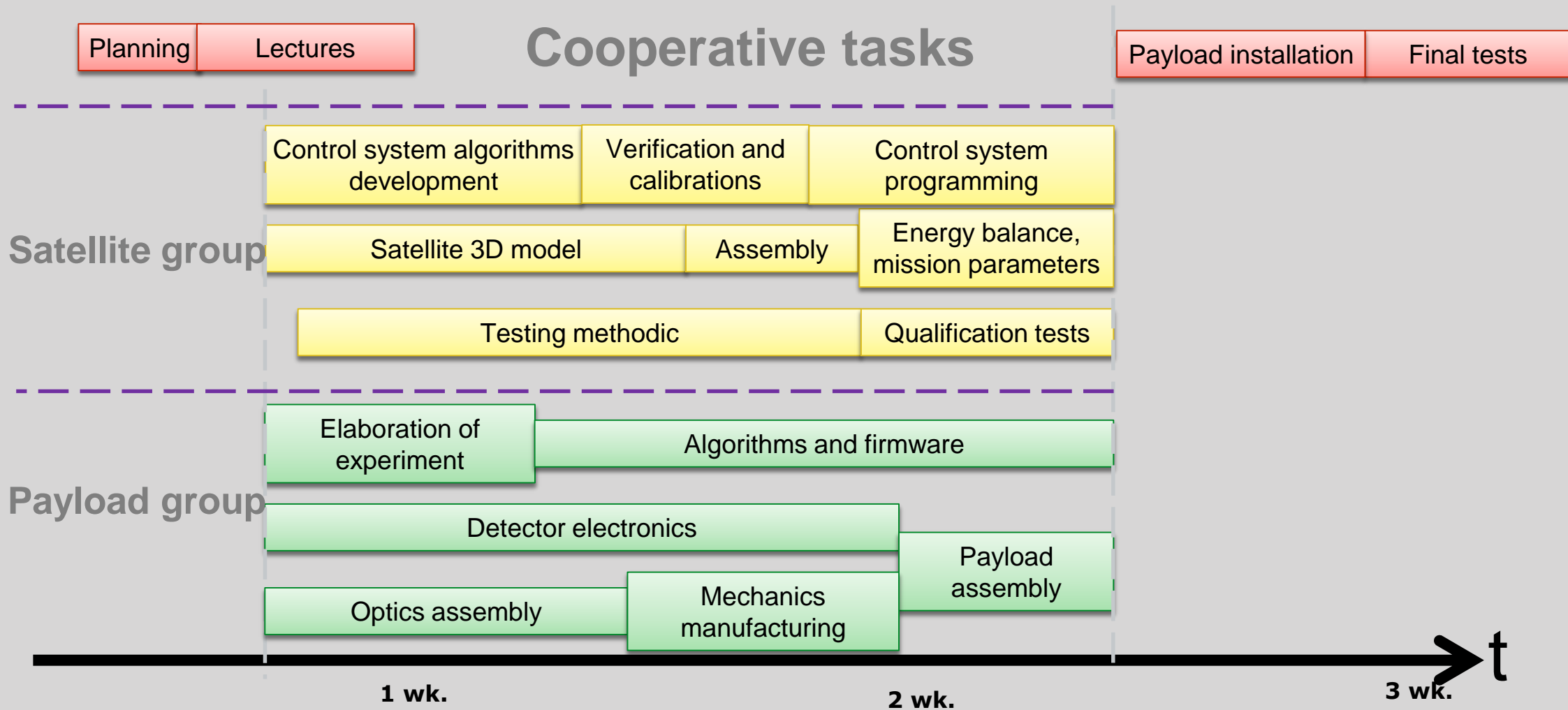
- Orbicraft Pro SXC1 kits

Engineering:

- Tutorials and classes for students
- Assembly and verification assistance
- Software and firmware examples



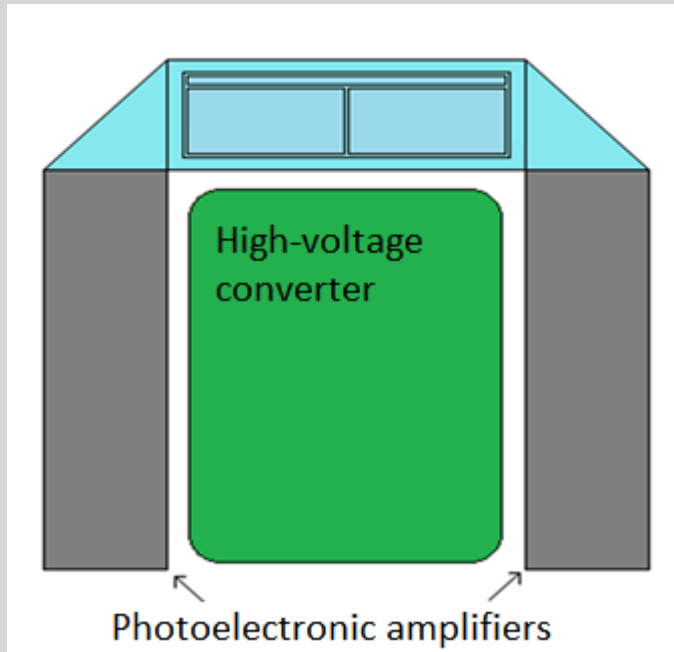
SiriusSat-1 mission: Schedule



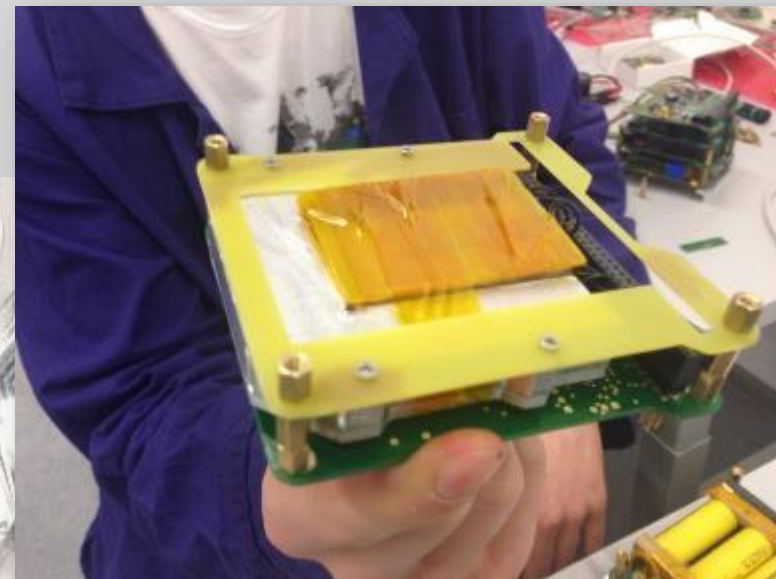
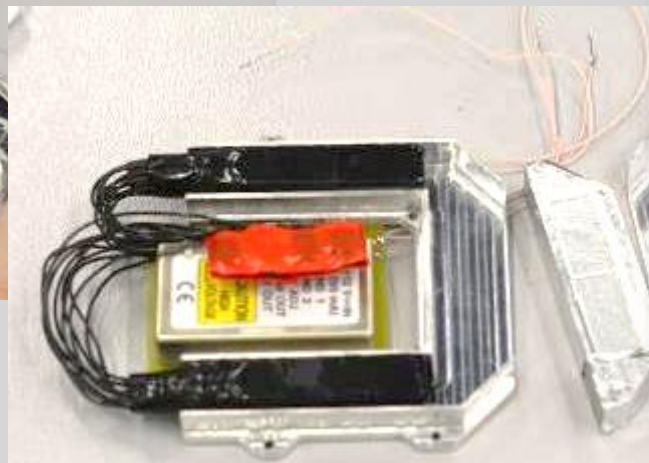
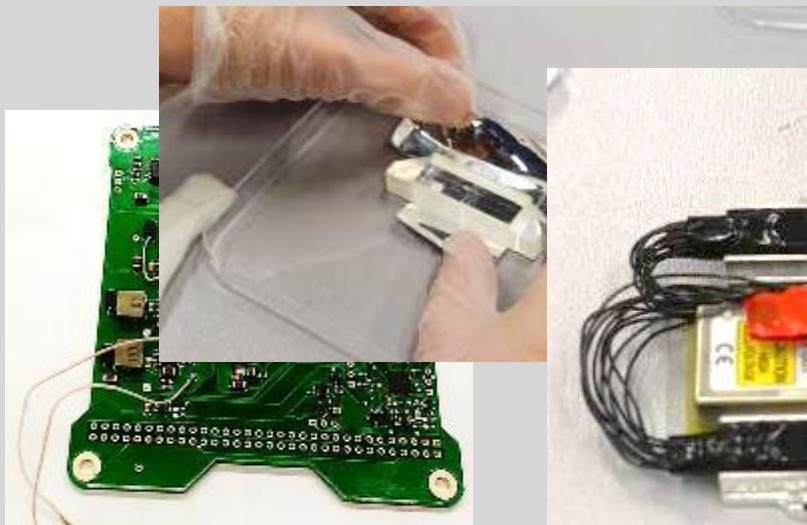


SiriusSat-1 mission: Payload

CubeSat compatible particle detector

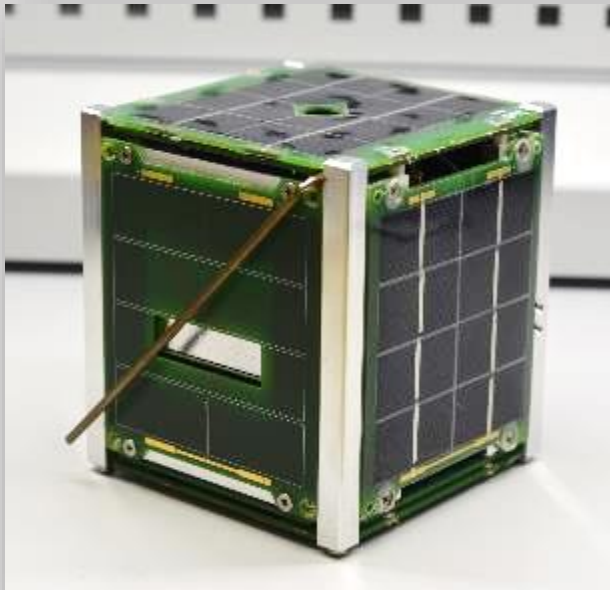


Weight	196 g
Power consumption	0.59 W
Count speed	50 us
Interface	CAN; USART
Dimensions	98 x 96 x 14 mm
Particle energy	Protons: 1-100 MeV Electrons: 0.1-40 MeV Gamma-quants: 0.03-2 MeV



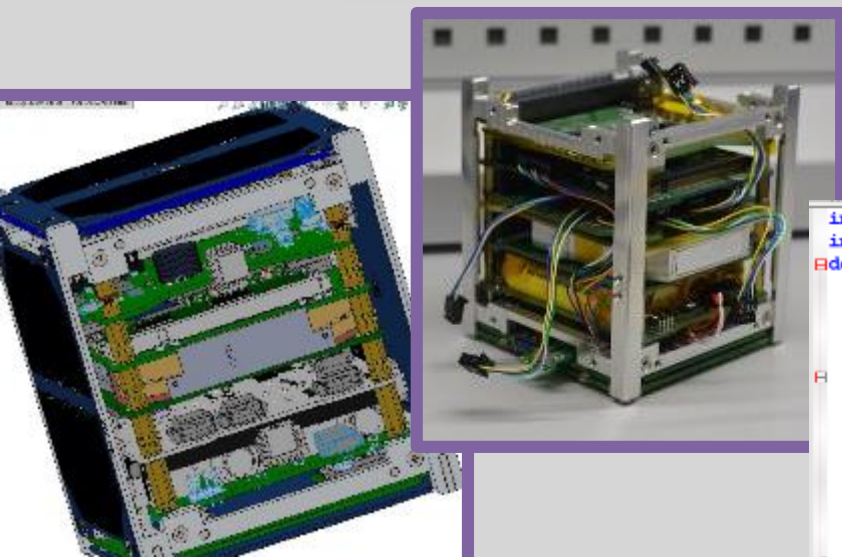


SiriusSat-1 mission: CubeSat satellite



SiriusSat-1 satellite

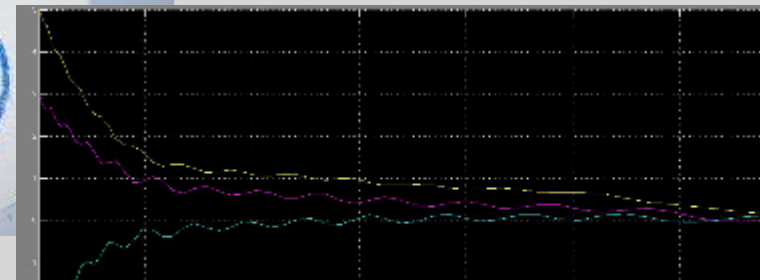
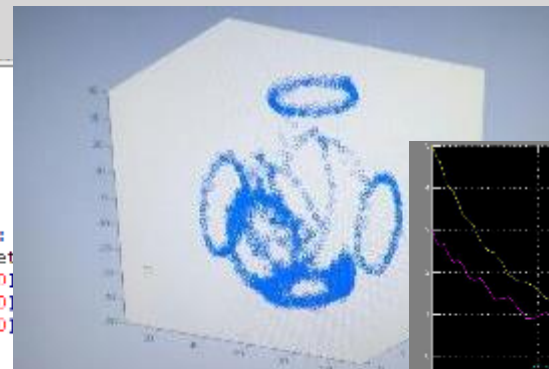
Weight	0.95 kg
Dimensions	CubeSat 1U
Radio	435 MHz
Stabilization system	Electromagnetic coils
Active lifetime	6 month



```
import time
import sys
def control():
    summx=0
    summy=0
    sumz=0

    for i in range(100):
        output = hyro_get
        Mx = output[0][0]
        My = output[1][0]
        Mz = output[2][0]

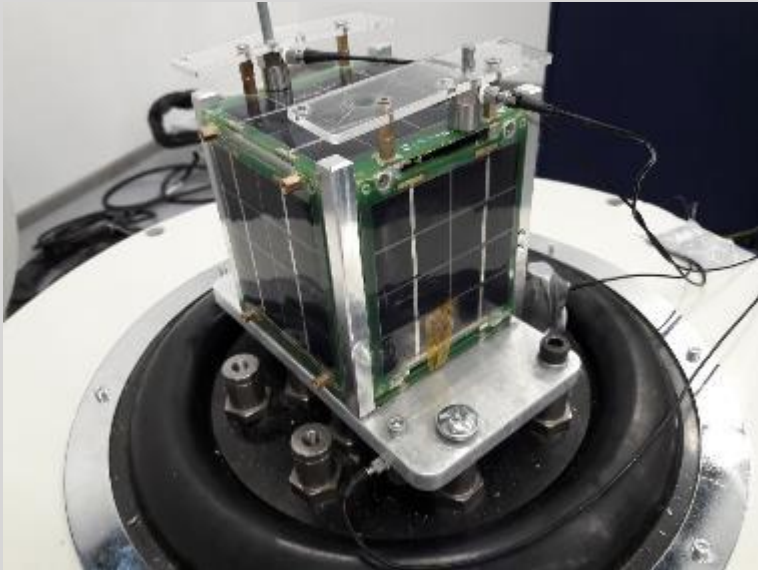
        summx+=Mx
        summy+=My
        sumz+=Mz
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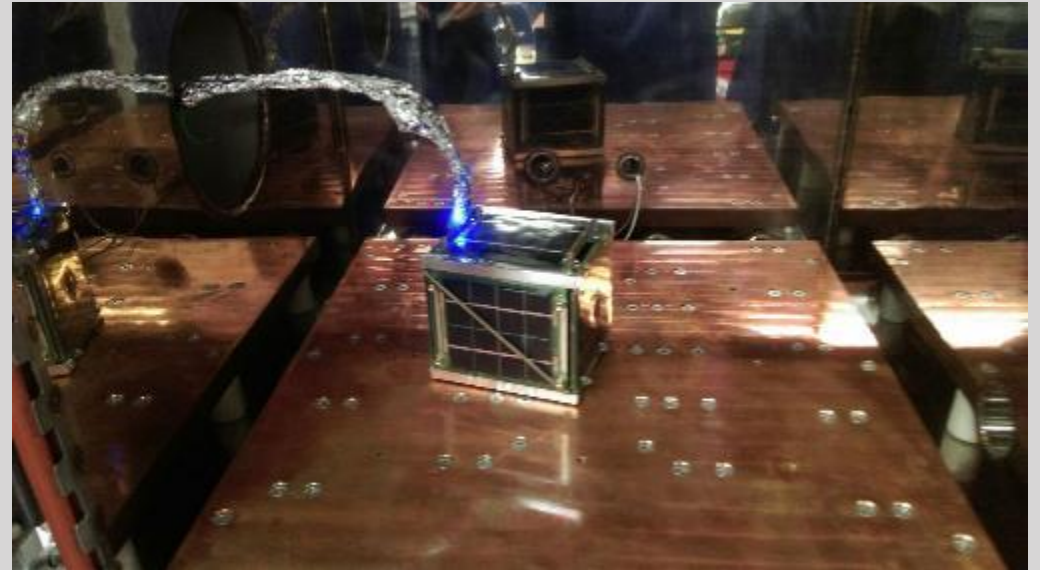
SiriusSat-1 mission: Testing

Vibration



Passed

Vacuum and temperature



Passed



SiriusSat-1 mission: Mission and launch

1. Free educational launch with Roscosmos in 2017



2. Participant of RKK Energy “Radioscaf” program 2018



3. Launch to ISS on May 2018 with Soyuz rocket



4. Cosmonauts to throw the Sirius Sat out of their home in autumn 2018





Conclusion:

Goals of the platform:

- Robust and solid serial design – successful, but some parts need review
- Educational applications – successful
- Low-cost universities CubeSats – yet no experience
- Space missions – waiting for flight qualification in 2018

Perspective:

- 2 launches per year since 2018 with Radioscaf
- Strongly depends on the SiriusSat-1 mission



Thank you for your attention!



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