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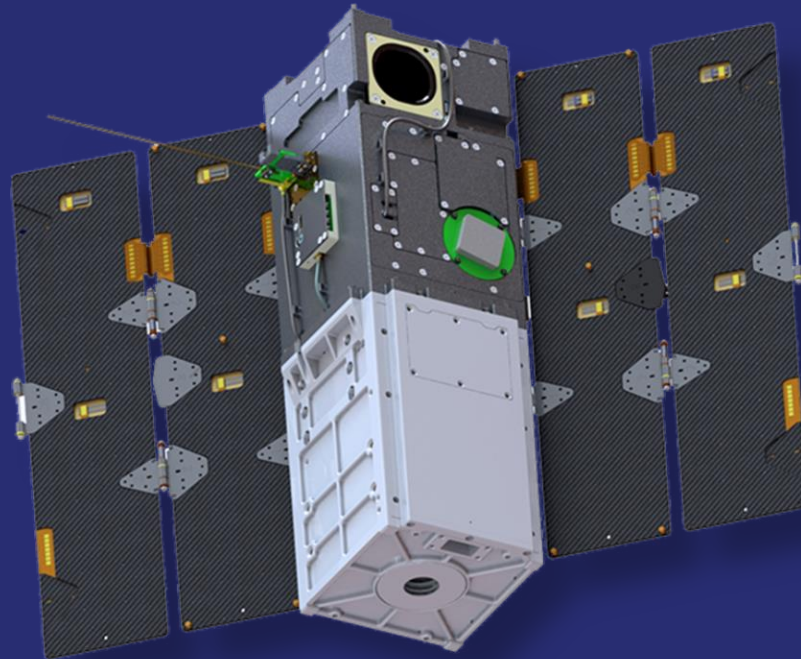
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**INADEQUATE THERMAL CONTROL
SYSTEMS RESULT IN A LACK OF
PRECISION FOR SATELLITE-BASED
EXPERIMENTS.**





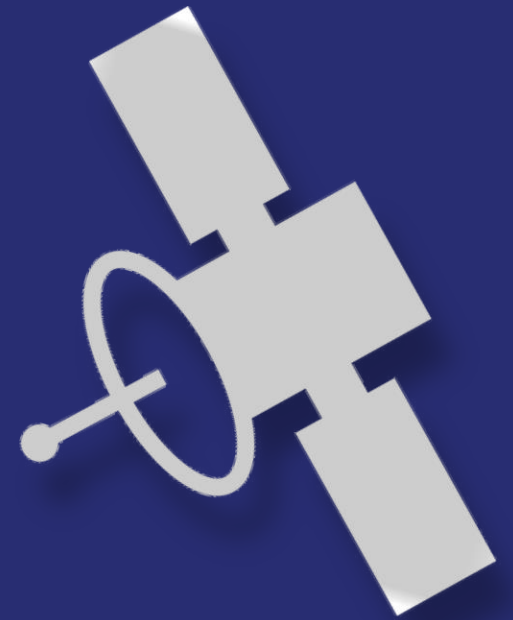
Our goal is to enable
precise data collection
over the duration of a
CubeSat's lifespan.





REQUIREMENTS

- Maintain temperature of 4 K for the magnetometer
- Fit within a 1.5U chassis
- Power consumption below 28 W
- Measure temperature inside the apparatus and adjust accordingly
- Last the duration of the satellite's lifespan





POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS



Active Cooling System



Helium Reservoir

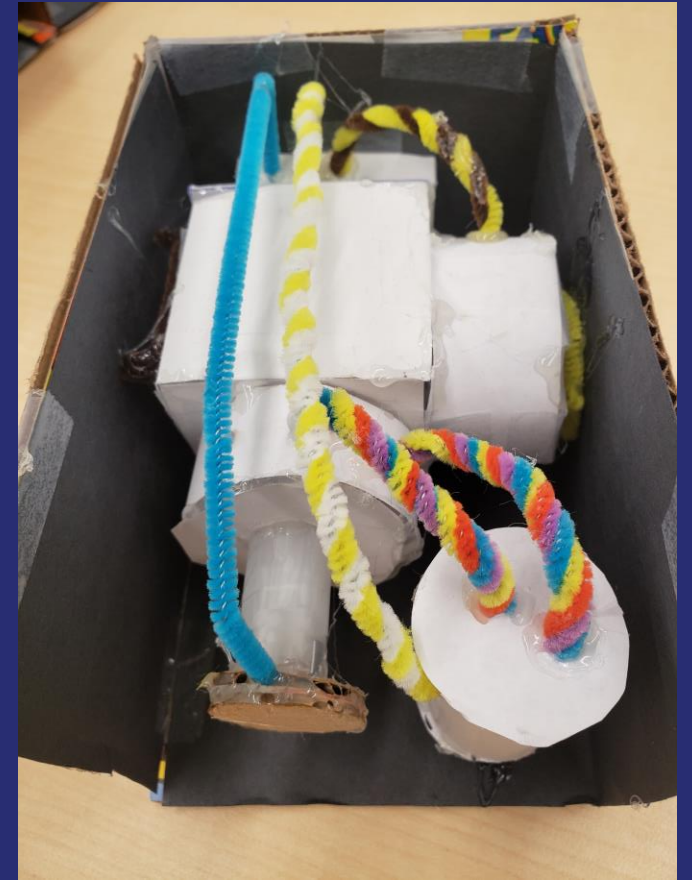
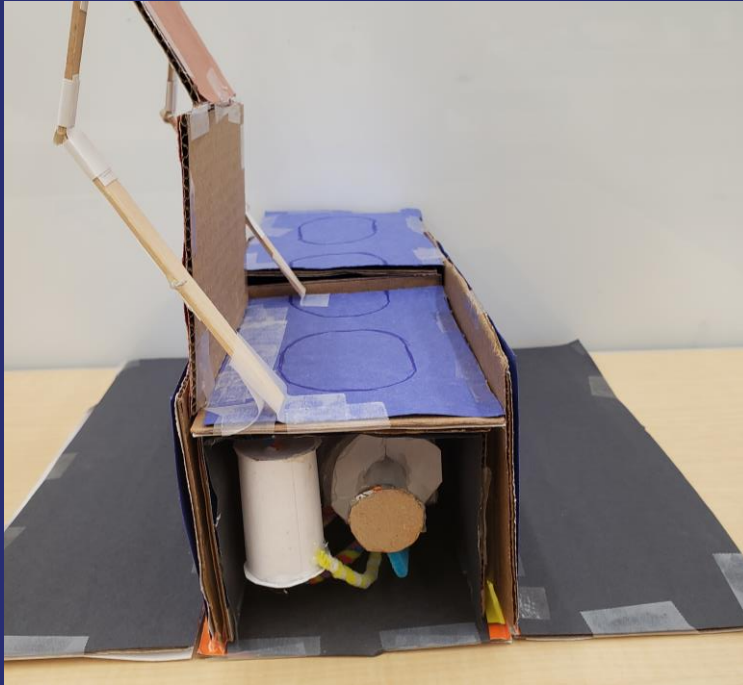


Blackbody Radiators





OUR SOLUTION





OUR SOLUTION – PASSIVE COOLING

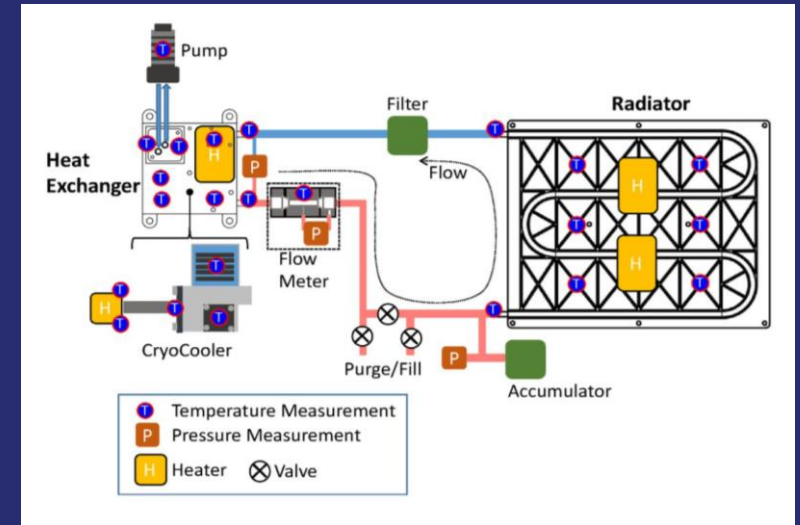
- Solar Shield
 - limits absorbance of solar energy
- Blackbody Radiator
 - solves issue of zero exchange medium
 - transforms heat energy into infrared waves
- Gets to 150 K





ACTIVE COOLING – CRYOGENIC COOLER

- Actively move heat from the magnetometer to the radiator
- 8 W of cooling power is required
- Thermally isolated from the chassis
- Helium is used as the refrigerant





ACTIVE COOLING – TEMPERATURE REGULATION

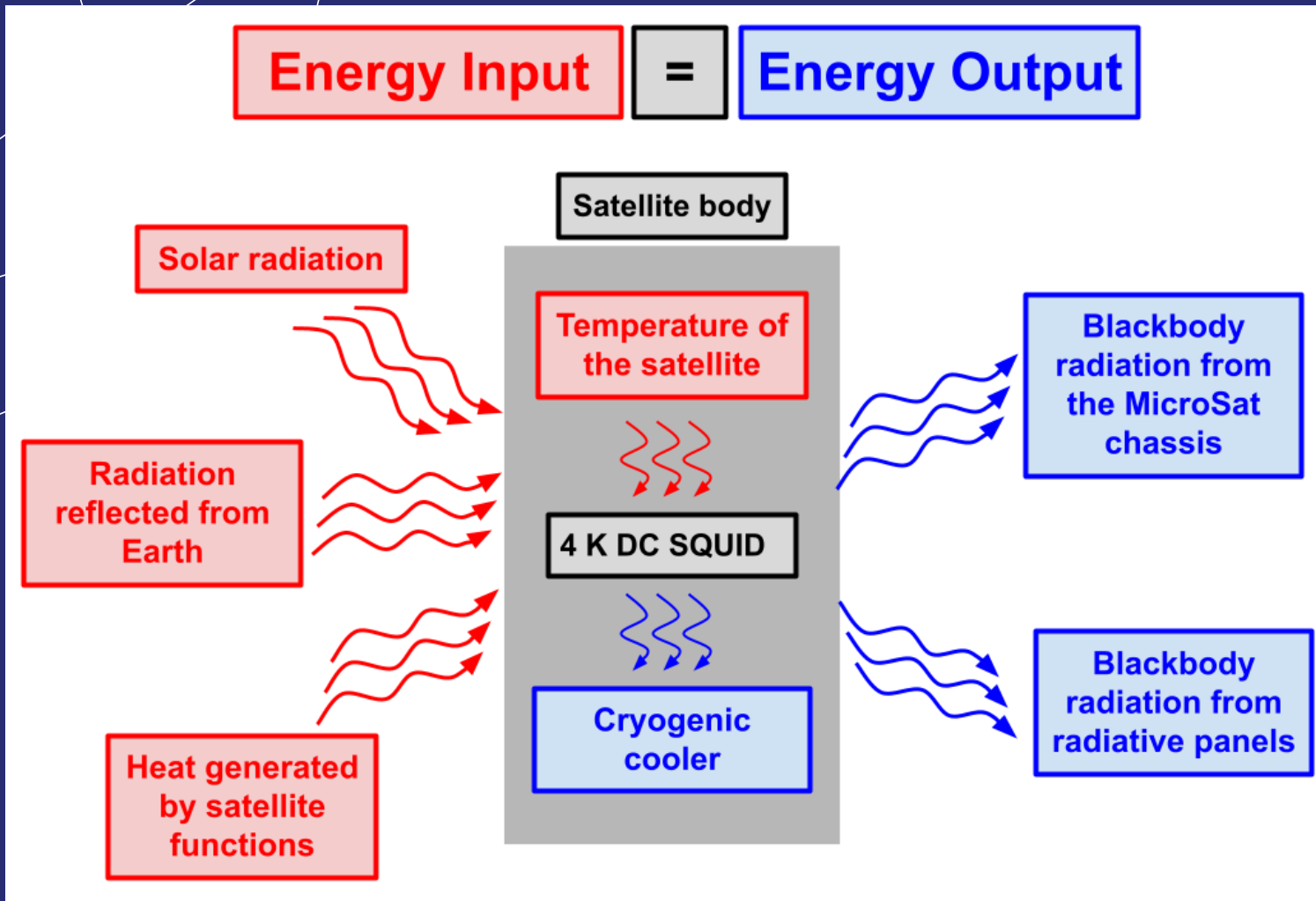
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Temperature: 251.55 K
Temperature: 248.93 K
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Temperature: 248.28 K
Temperature: 252.57 K



- Always needs to cool, but at different rates
- PWM input to create constant temperature
- Prototyped system demonstrates temperature regulation



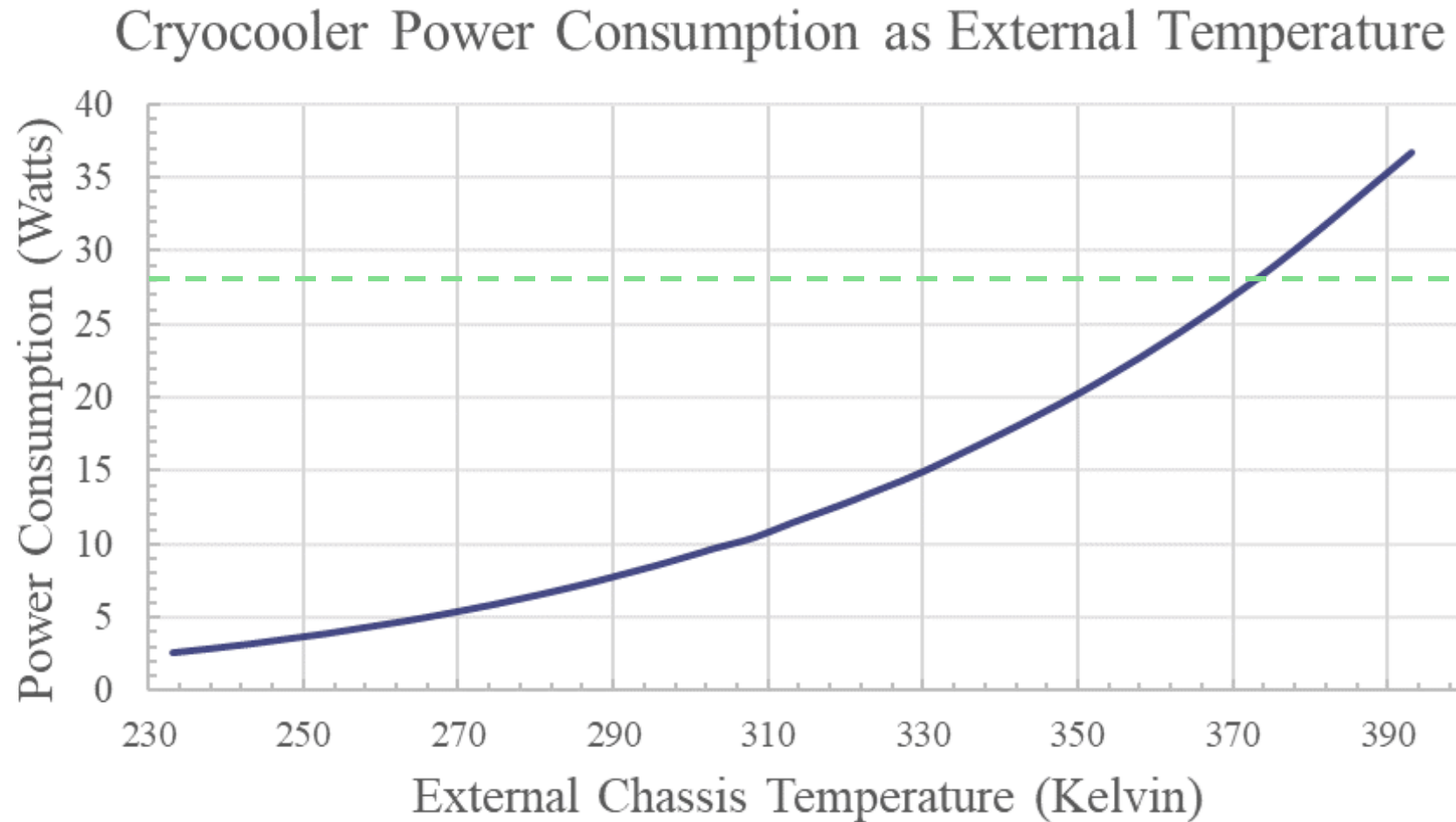
PROOF OF CONCEPT



- Surface of CubeSat can range from 285 K (12°C) to 292 K (19°C) during orbit
- Cryocooler will consume 7-8 W of power



PROOF OF CONCEPT





COMPETITIVE EDGE

Unique Product

- Only product that is constrained to 1.5U that can achieve the desired temperature level

Cross functional usage

- Can be used with various superconductor-based devices

Modularity

- Can be added to existing CubeSats as a system module to enable cooling to 4K

Growing Industry

- Half of operational satellites are common model CubeSats
- Increasing demand for higher precision data



GOING FORWARD

- Determine if a multistage cryocooler system would work more efficiently within space constraints
- Swarm of CubeSats
- Determine most optimal material for Blackbody radiation

CITATIONS



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Questions?



TABLES

	Light Side of Earth	Dark Side of Earth
Heat Absorption from Sun	2.1 W	0 W
Heat Absorption from Earth	0.5 W	0 W
Heat from Satellite Functions	30 W	30 W
Total Heat	32.6 W	30 W
External Chassis Temperature	292.4 K (19.2 °C)	285.1 K (11.9 °C)
Heat Transfer to SQUID	0.010 W	0.0094 W
Heat Transfer to Radiator	10.61 W	9.71 W
Power to run Cryocooler	7.9 W	7.2 W
Total Heat Transfer to Radiator	18.5 W	16.9 W
Temperature of Radiator	262.2 K (-11.0 °C)	255.2 K (-18.0 °C)