

Open lunar foundation funded research for lunar timekeeping

- Keep time standard like UTC for the moon
- Pain because of relativity -> distance from earth's surface
- updating spacecraft with this standard
- Governance of maintaining lunar coordinated time
- Met with someone from Meta who was with a group that made timecards that use PCIe
 - synchs with gps
 - holds time with nanosecond precision
 - people have used this with home computers
- NASA does this very expensive, with overkill specs
 - >\$100,00
- Having a "good-enough" clock for a standard that everyone can share
- FOCUS IS THE MOON
- Build components to standard that are "plug and play", and make it cheap and easy
 - Incentive to use cubesat standard is to have SOME standard
- Not inventing anything new, putting together existing technologies and methods
- Reason for working with RIT is that they thought they could do it themselves, but they did not have the shared space for it
- Idea is to launch into orbit, this is the first step
- OpenLunar is nonprofit
 - Caring about the way technology, economy, etc. progress towards space
- MoonDAO
 - Volunteer internet space program
 - Sent people to space on a blue origin rocket
 - Timecard designed and built as part of openCompute project (by people at Meta)
 - Decentralized

Open up for questions

- End goal and envision for uses
 - Originally WANTED LUNARxPrize competition between colleges to synch ime between two different sattiilites
 - Satilites can measure distance btween each other using wifi signal driven by atomic clock
 - Needs easily accessible clock for those satellites
 - Idea to have a competition for different colleges to build timecards
 - THis is the first step for said competition
 - Showed requirements that we were already given
 - Get to TRL 6
 - Physical prototype
 - physical analysis
 - vibration
 - impact
 - temperature fluctuations
 - We should actually build prototype that testing can be performed on
 - SpaceX and NASA have publish profiles 91710

- 91710 gives all data needed for testing requirements
- “work in space” is up for interpretation
 - People have built cubesats, so there are many “knowns” but there are always tradeoffs
- **Requirements are that it works in space and it is cheaper so that teams like us can use it**
 - They are a volunteer and nonprofit organization
- Able to interpret a lot of things on our own
 - Plug and play
 - cheap alternative
 - thing in space
 - done
- Look up what a good connection would be. Not necessarily has to be PCIe, but give justification for wanting to change it
- Original ask is to start with existing thing and change as needed
 - But we have complete freedom
- Can use testing connectors
- GNSS
 - Takes reference signal it knows is good
 - every once in a while it receives *the time*
 - GNSS is not practical to bake into the system
 - GNSS is good for testing, but can be swapped with something else in the real application
 - Sattillites typically constantly asks GPS where it is
 - Take away GPS crutch
 - This timecard IS what the GPS system would send out on the moon
 - APRS is an example of decentralizing positioning
 - Tlmeocard can be foundation for similar to APRS
- Electrical expertise
 - Phillip: Experience reading but not writing electrical design
 - Working relationships with the people that made the OG timecard
 - Ashly: Has contacts that worked on starlink
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- *This seems laid back*
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