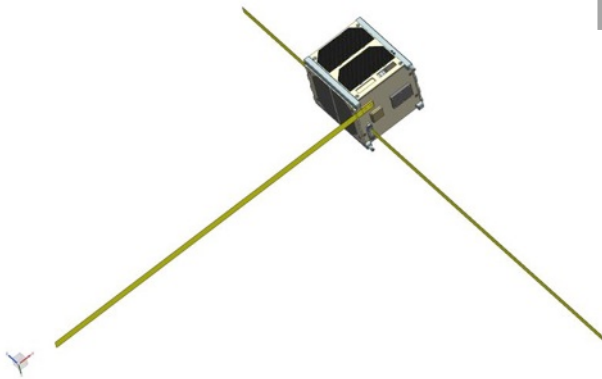


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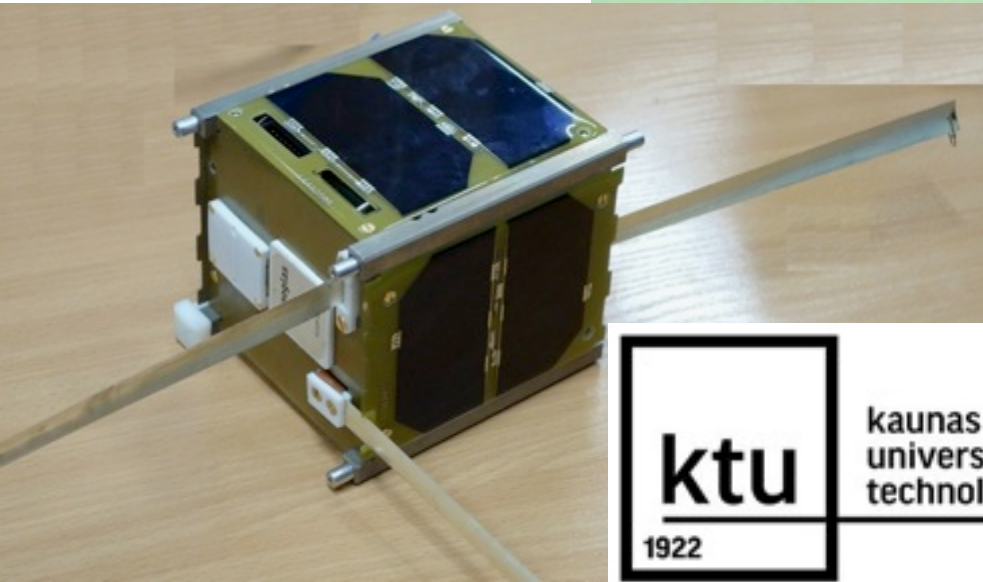
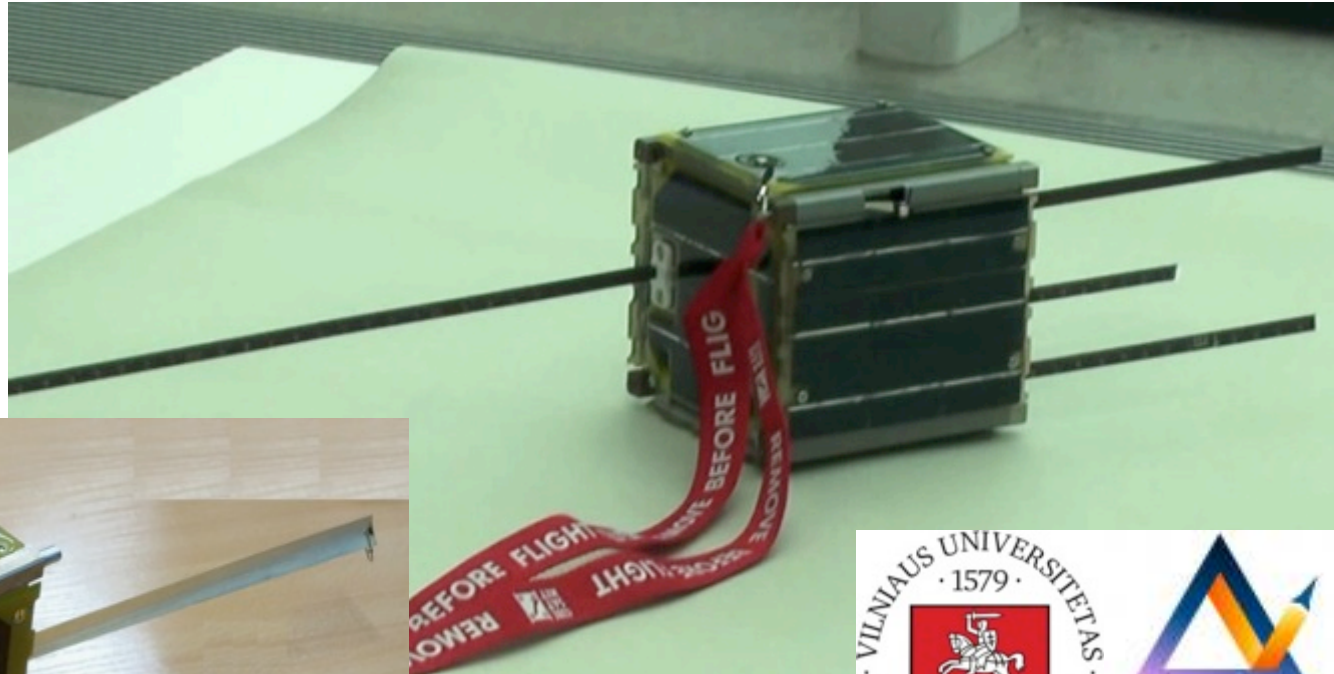
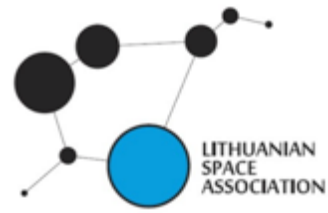
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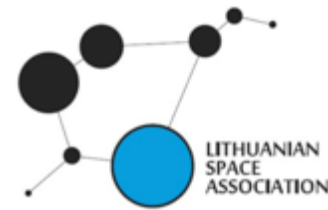
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# LituanicaSat 1 and Litsat1



# Main Components



## Litsat-1



- **V/U** Linear transponder
- Space qualified GPS receiver
- GaAs and LT Silicon Solar panels
- Solar sensors
- **V/U** Comm board He-100



## LituanicaSat-1

- **U/V** FM repeater
- Arduino board with Camera
- Radio beacon
- LT Silicon Solar panels
- **U/V** Comm board He-100

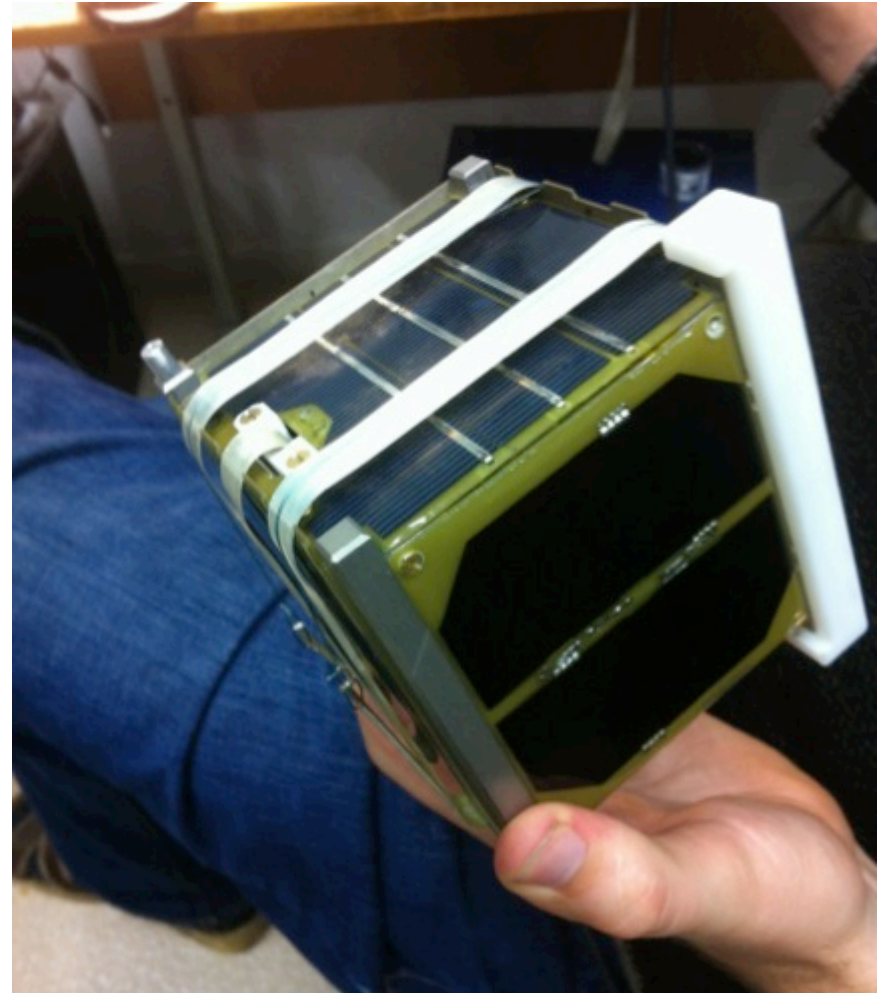
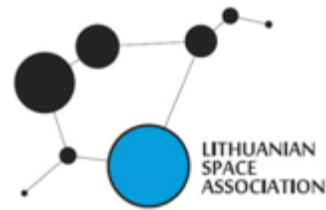
## 1U CUBESAT Platform (common)

- ARM 7 Cortex M4 On board processor
- 3x Gyro, 3x Accel., 3x Magnetom.
- Gomspace Power Supply
- System board

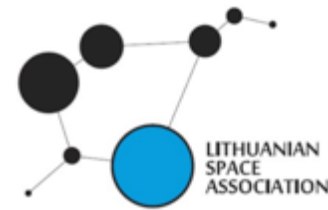
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# Start of the Journey



Launch from: NASA Flight Facility  
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At Jan 9 2014 8:30 pm Lithuanian time

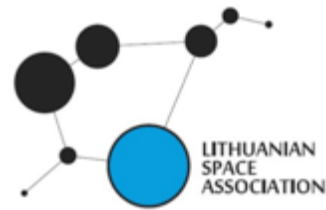


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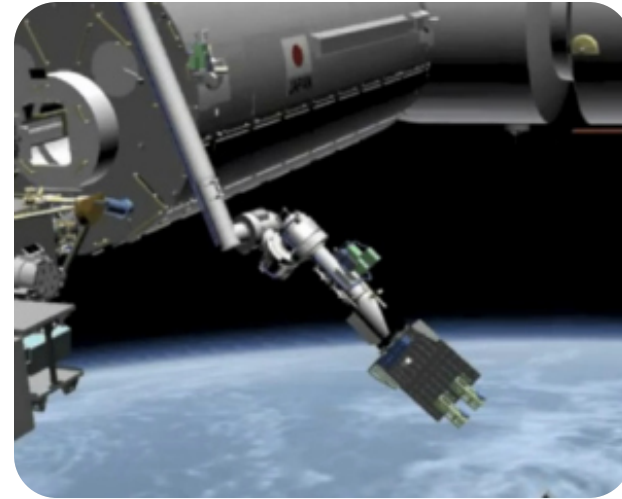
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# Launching into the Orbit

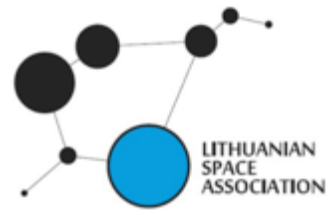


Launch into the orbit from  
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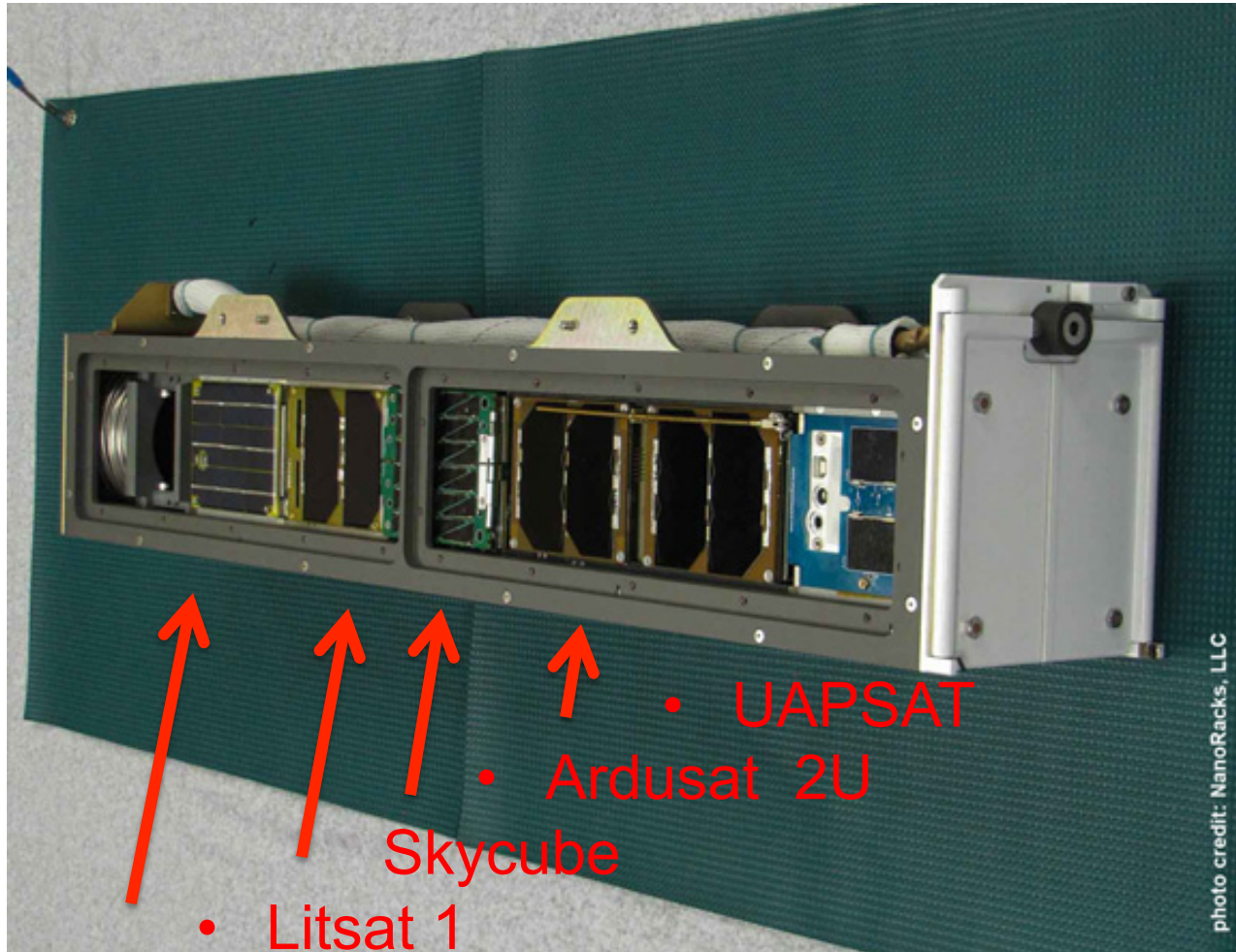


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- Litsat 1
- Skycube
- ArduSat 2U
- UAPSAT

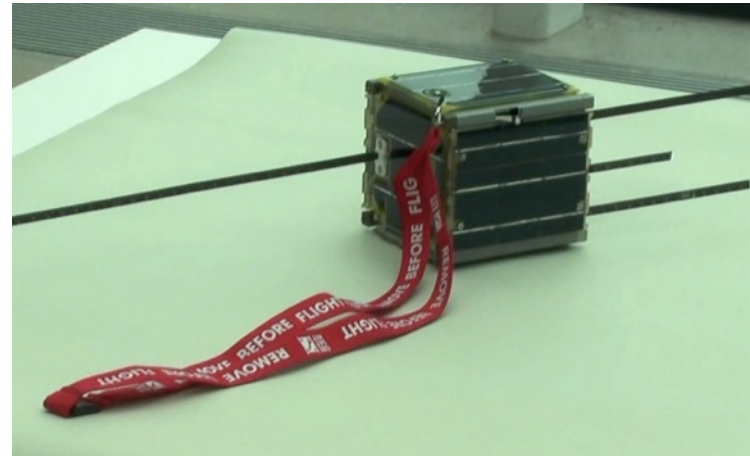
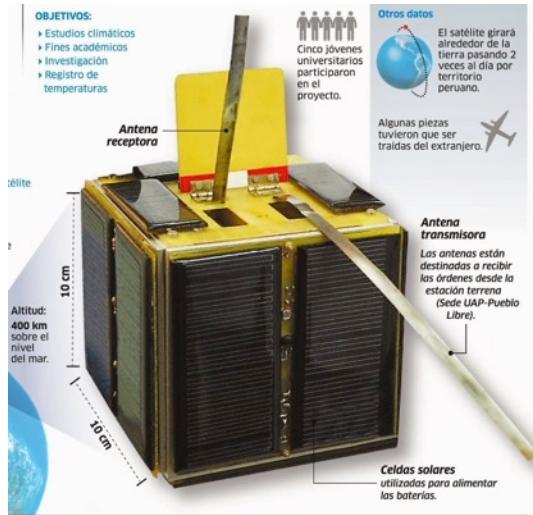
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# Actual Decays



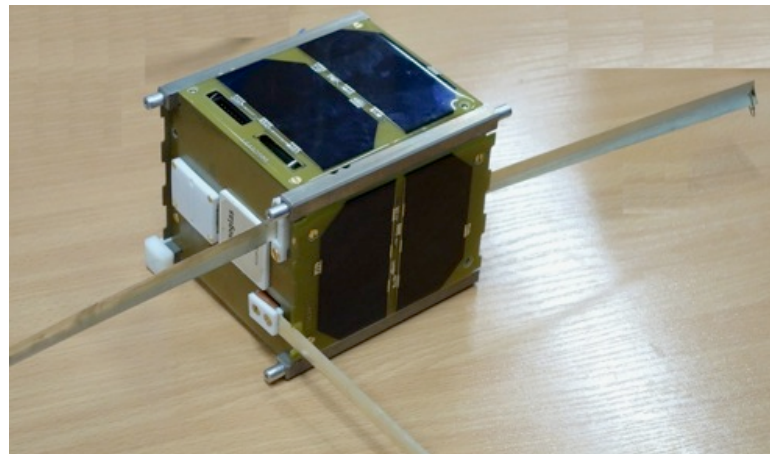
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# Configuration 1U



UAPSAT

LituanicaSat 1

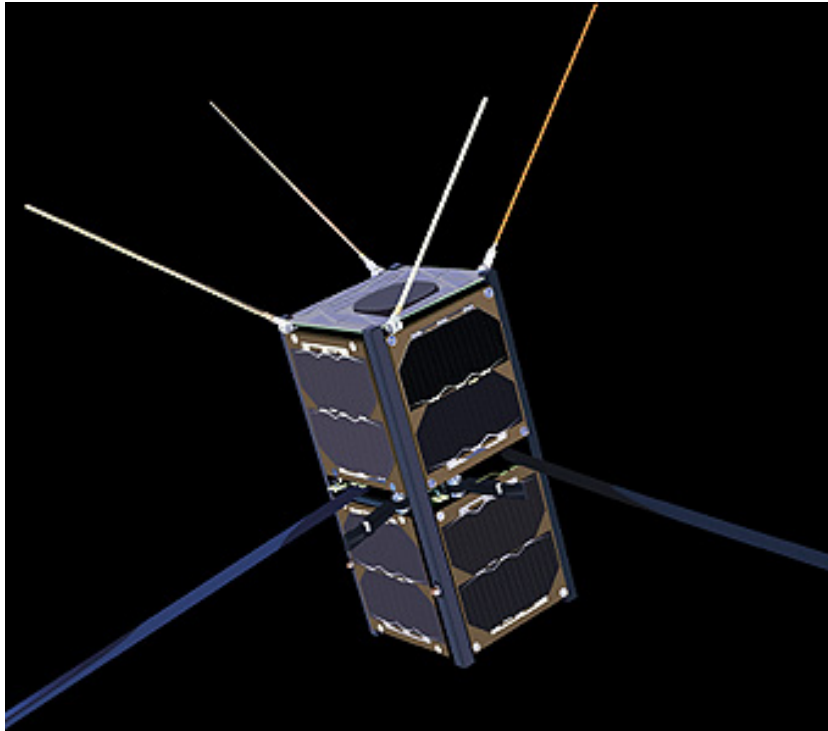
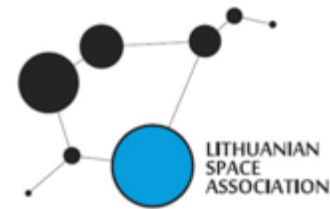


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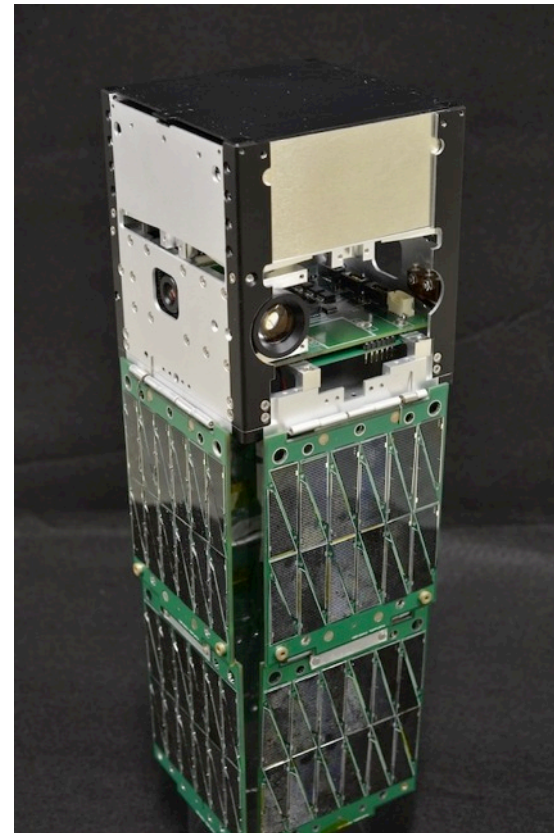
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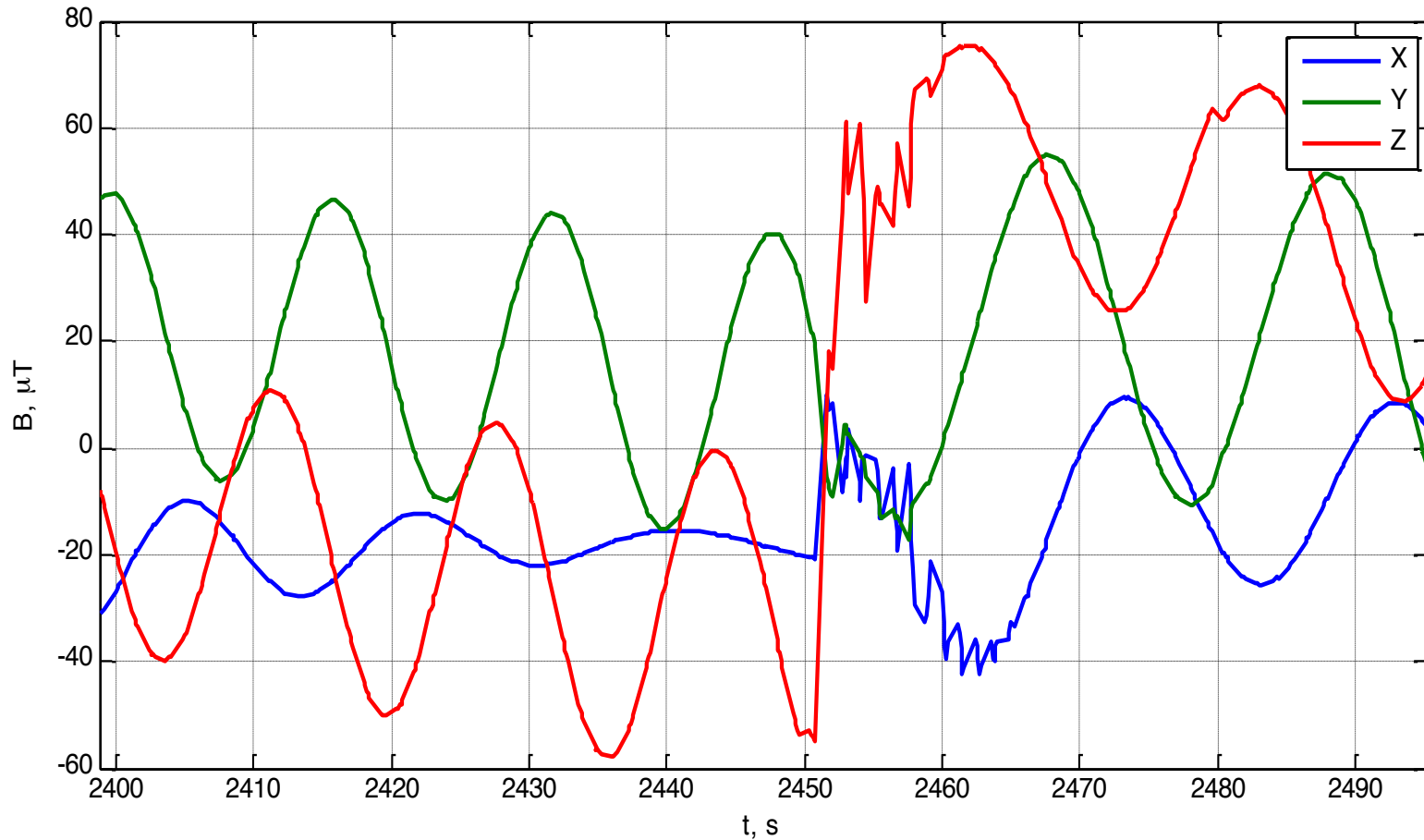


ArduSat



Skycube

# Magnetic sensor Data



Magnetometer signals (X,Y,Z) during antenna deployment (~2450 s)

# Photo sensor data

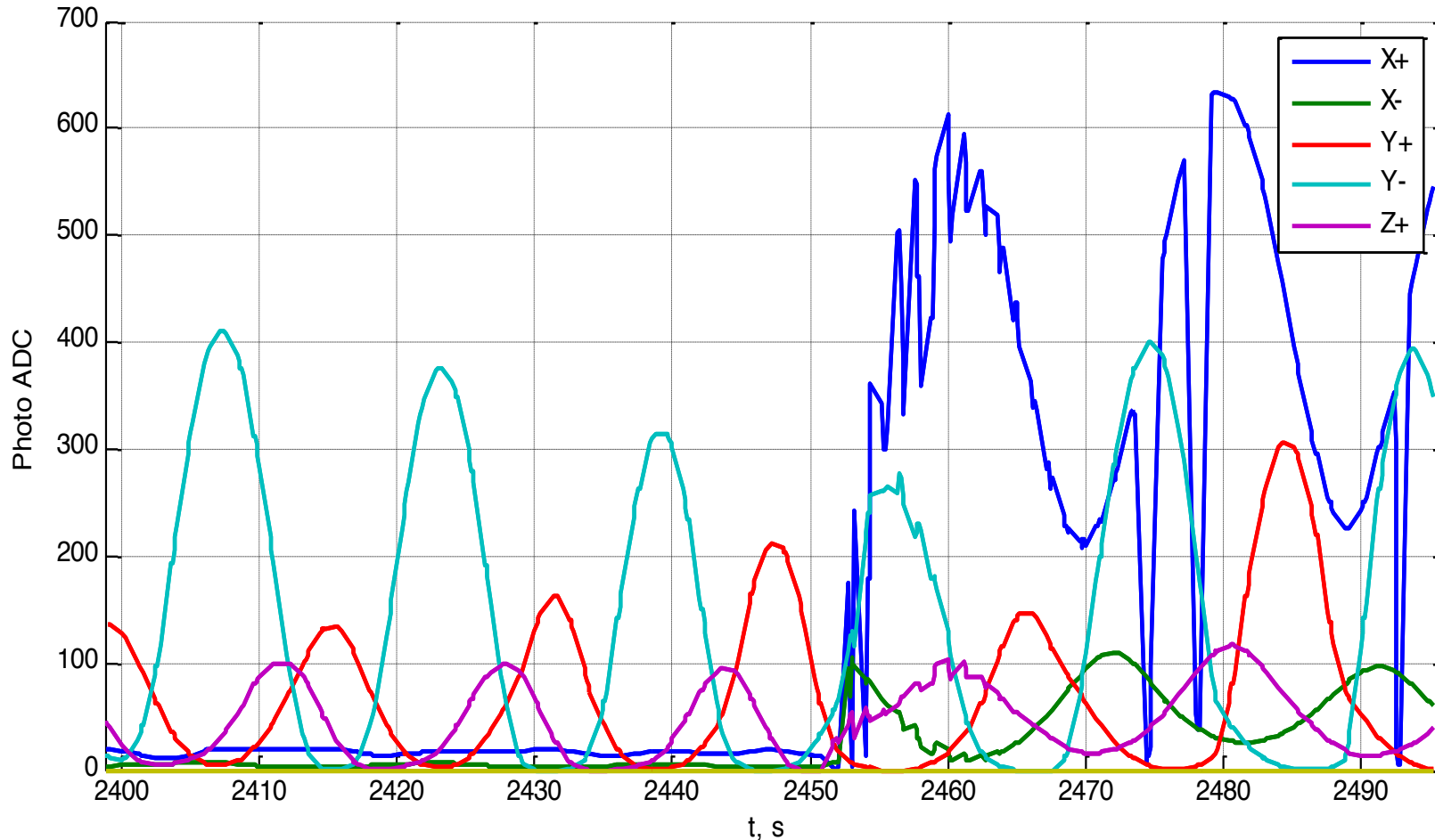
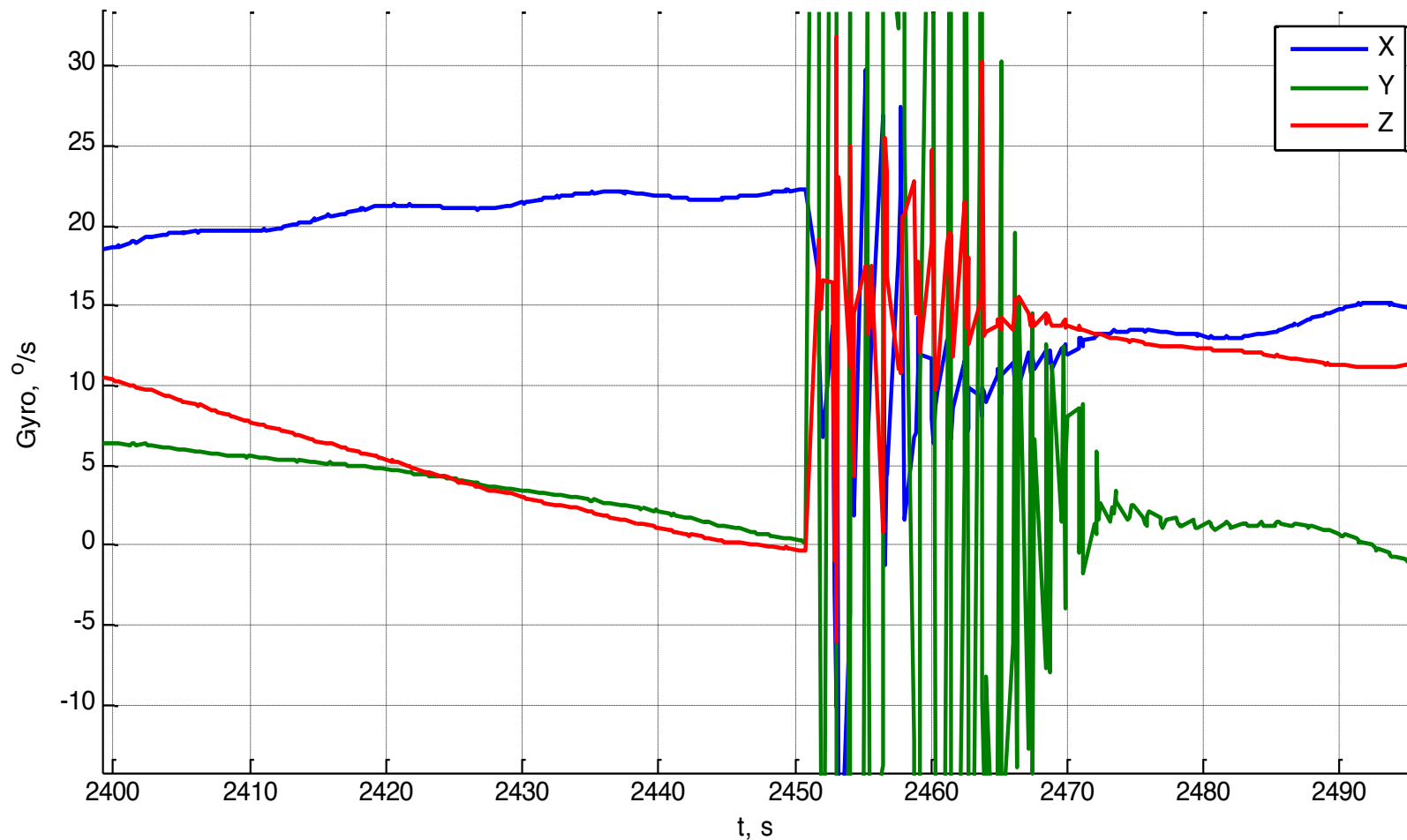


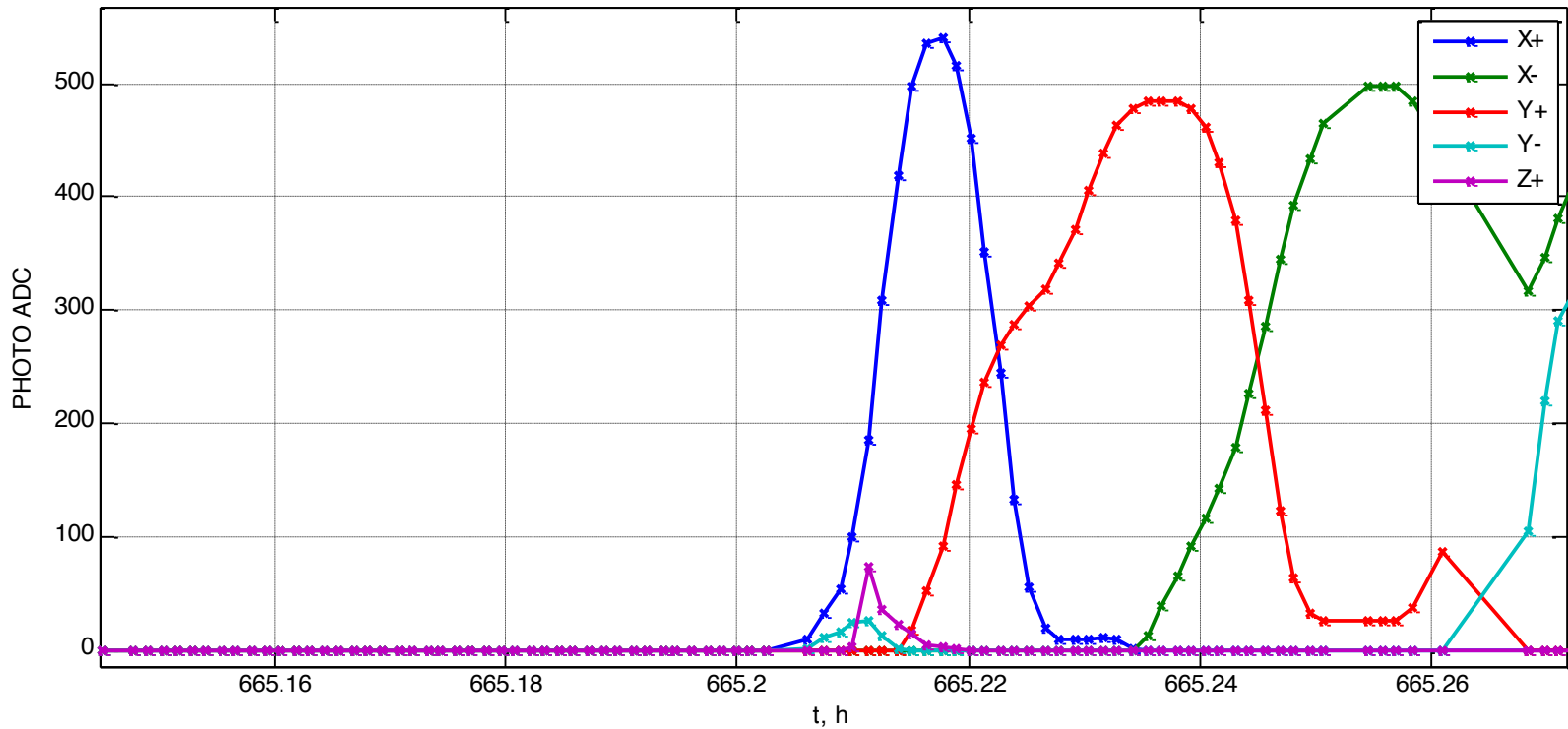
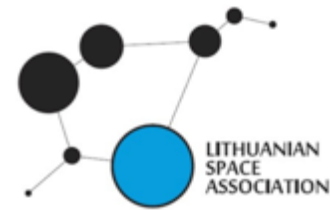
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# Gyro data



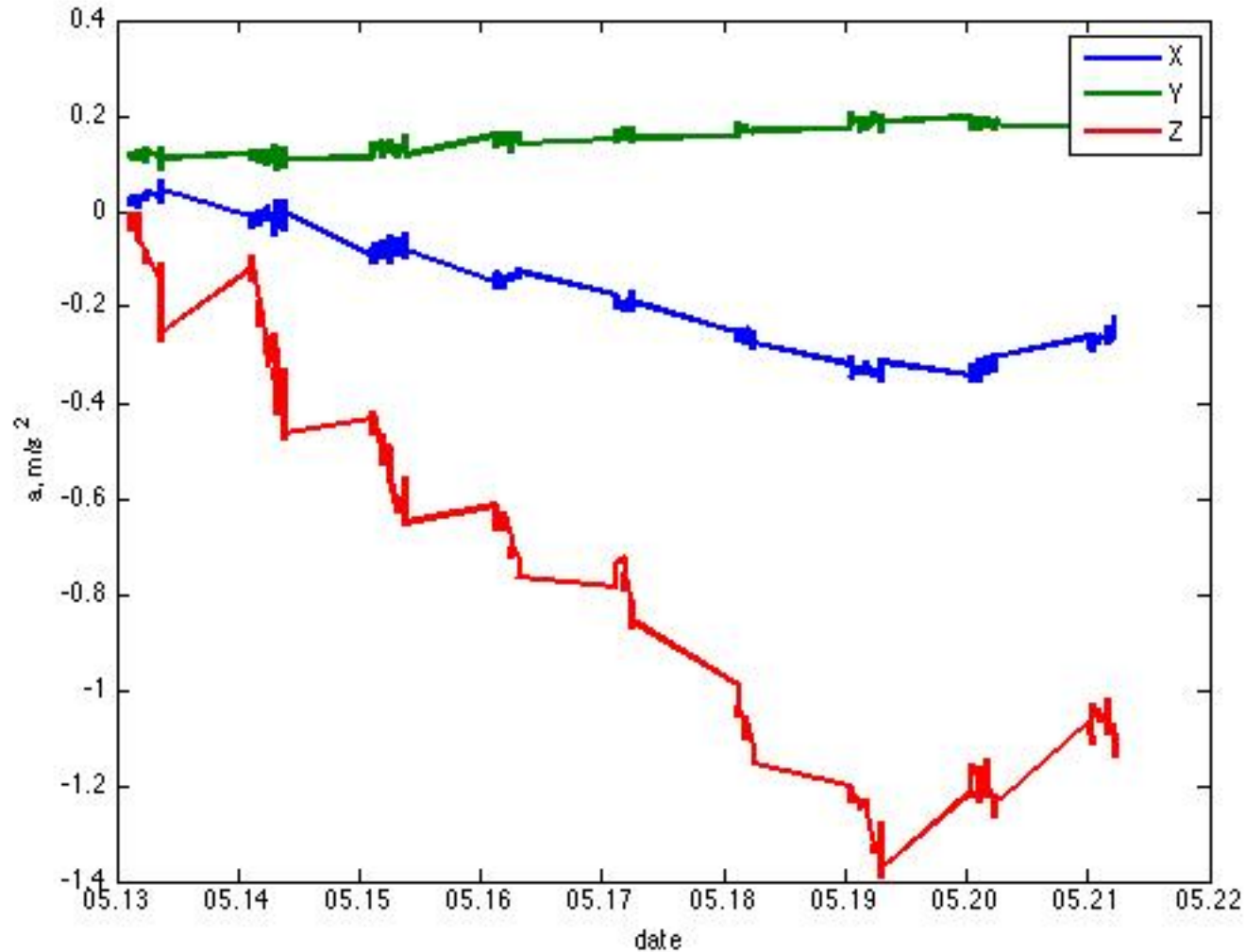
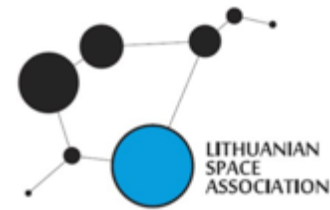
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# Photo sensor data (Sunrise)

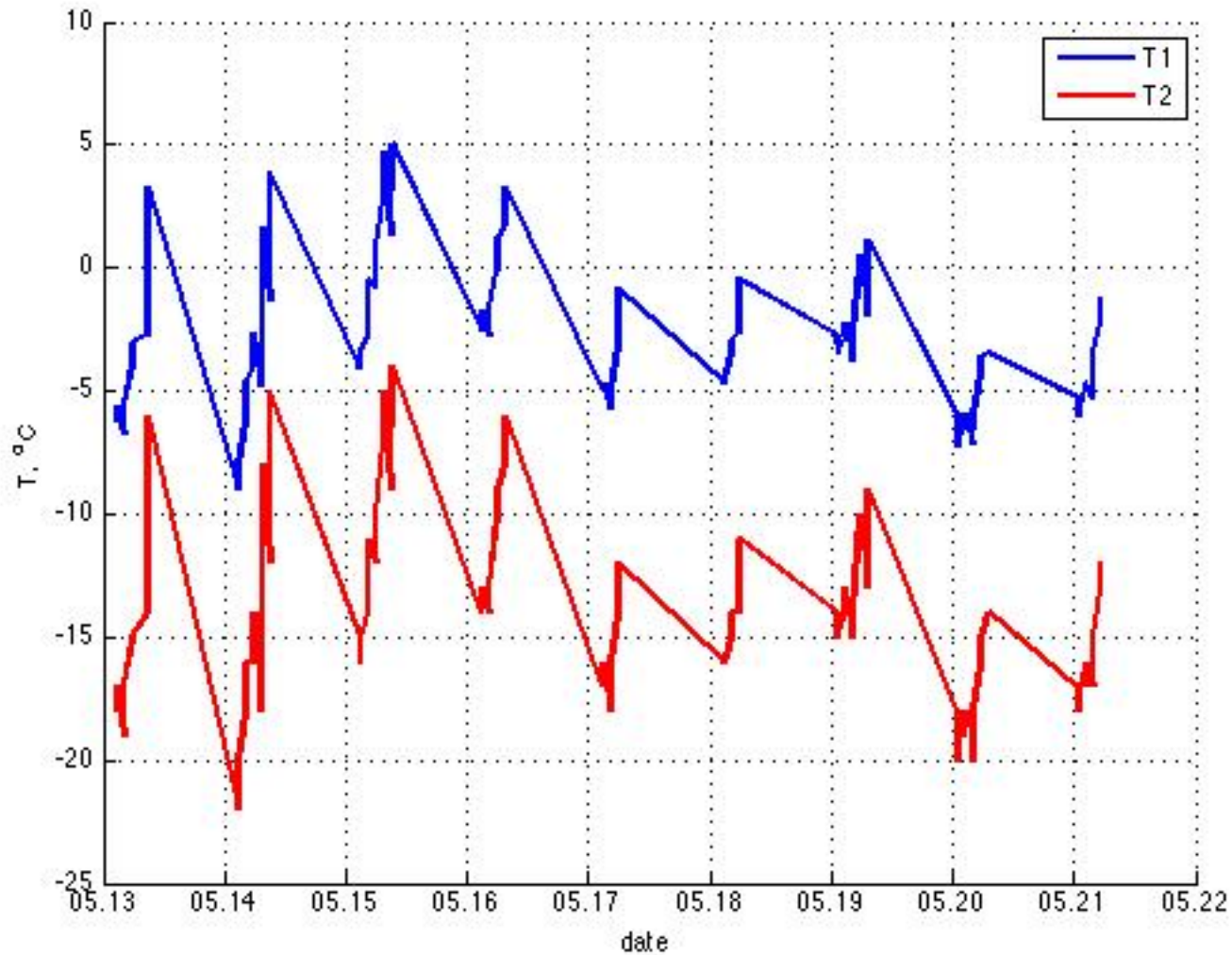
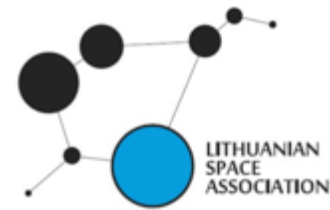




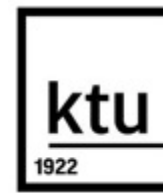
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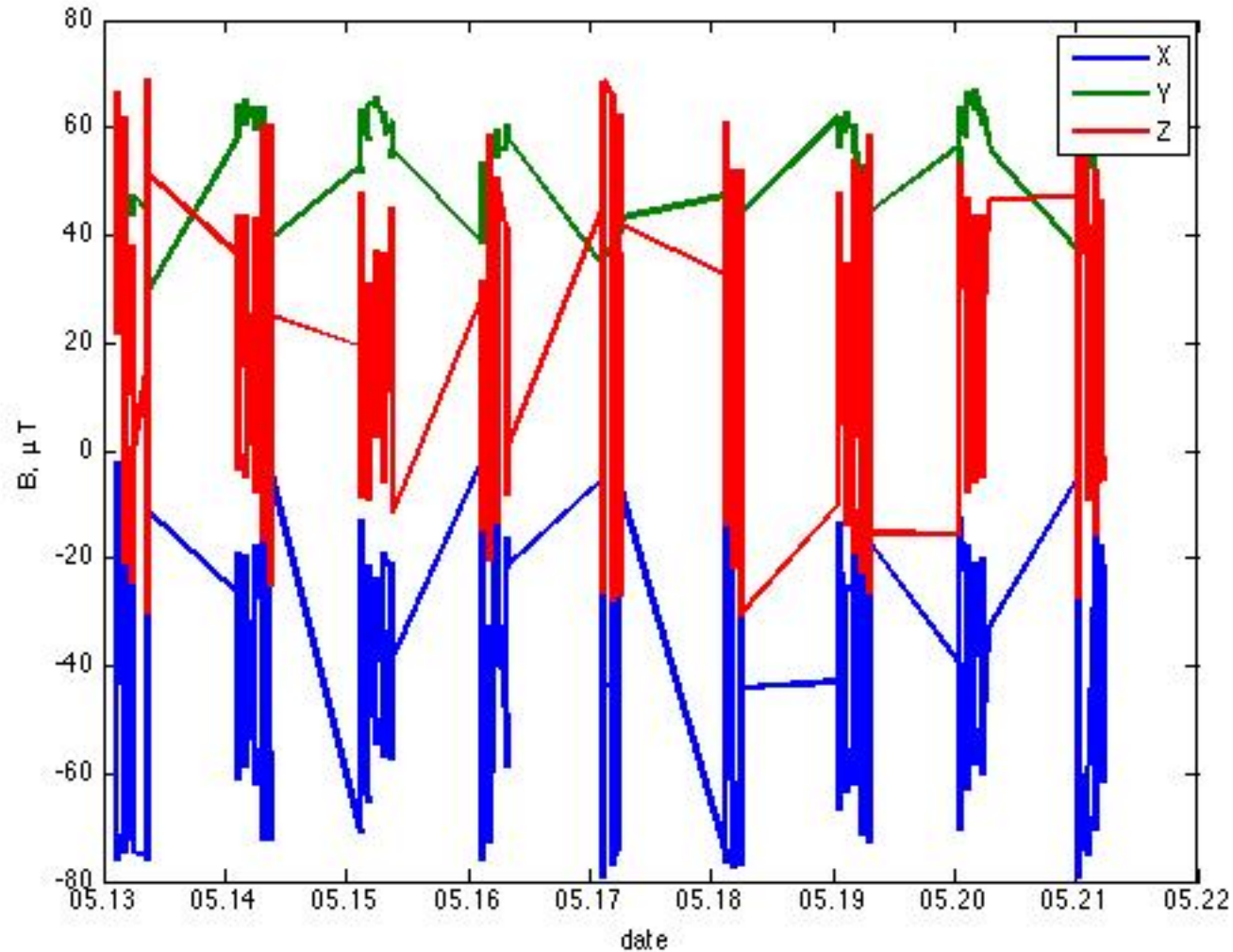
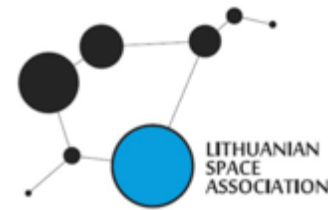
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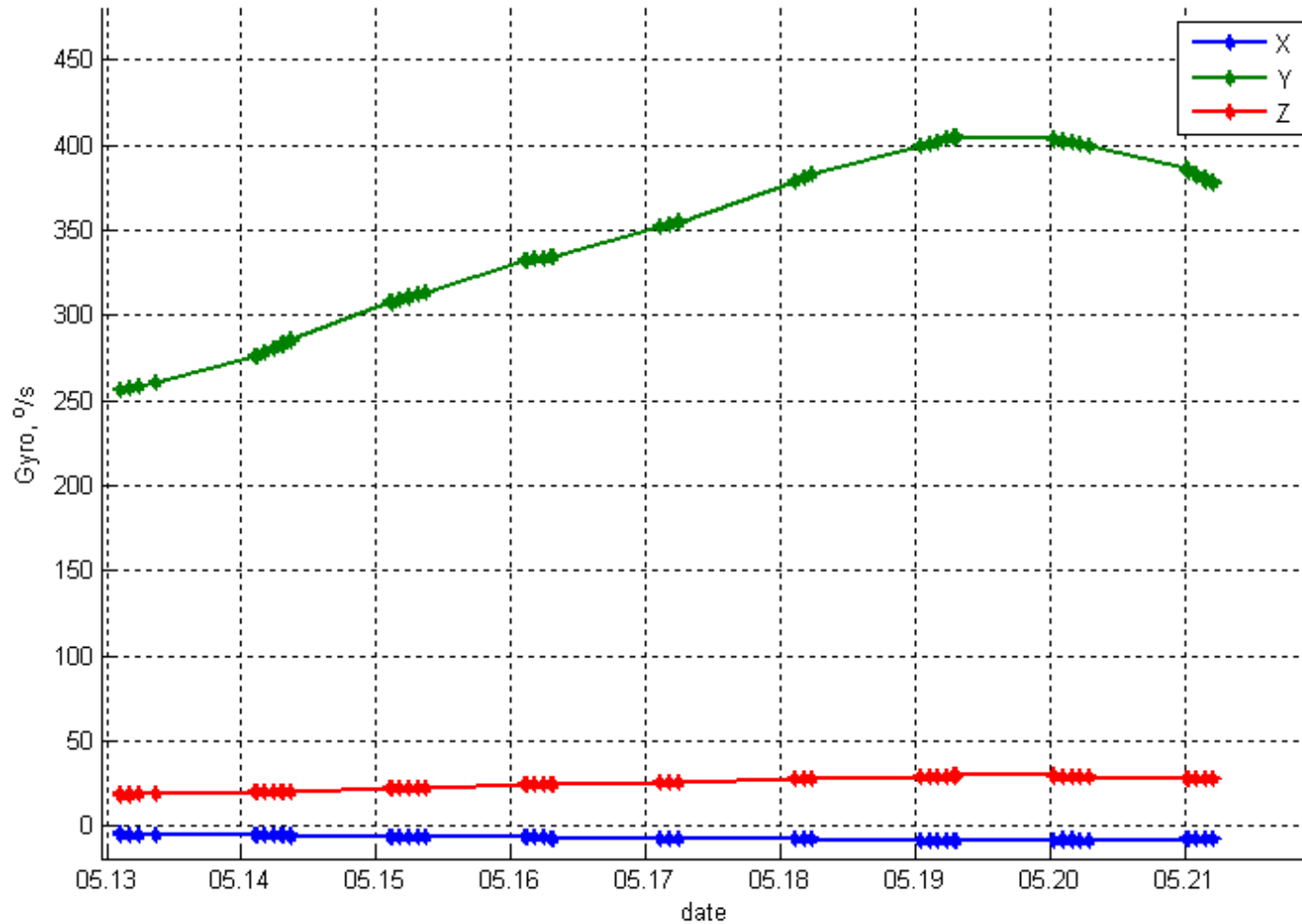
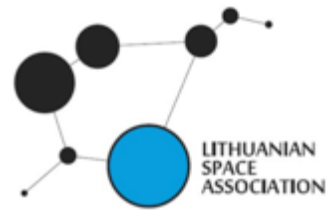


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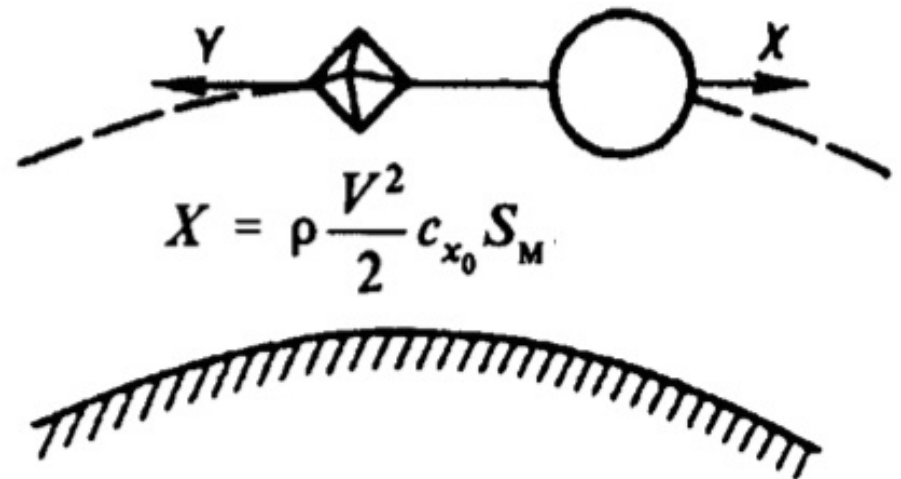
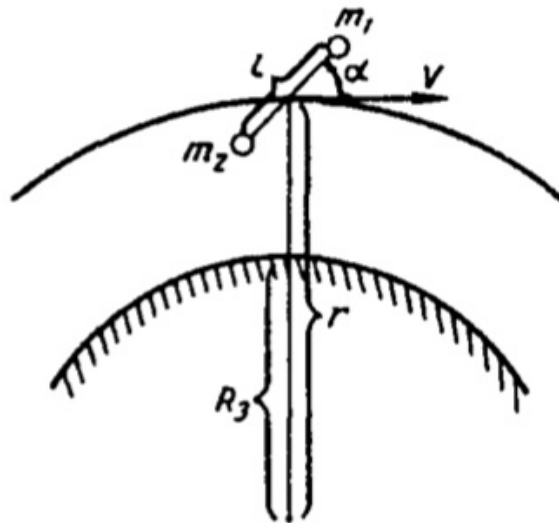
# Gyro data

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# Orbital Perturbations

$$F = f \frac{mM}{(R + H)^2} - \frac{mV^2}{(R + H)} = 0$$

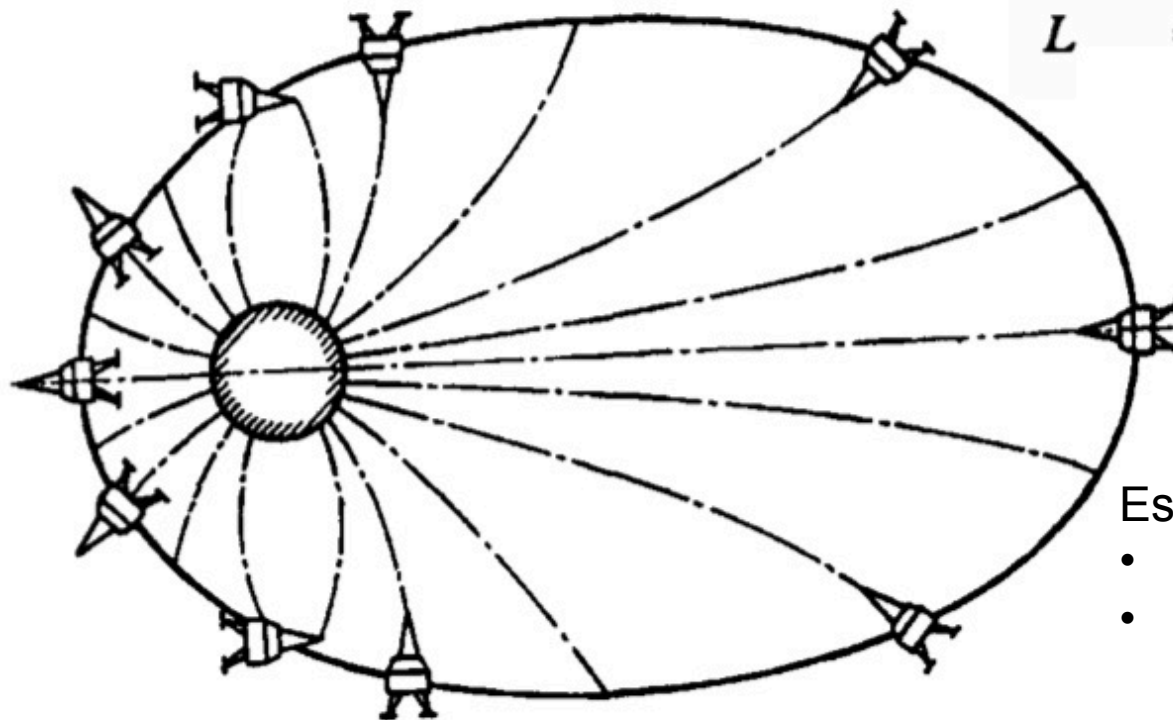


Estimation of:

- Delta V change caused by Aerodynamic drag
- Aerodynamic torque
- Gravitational torque

$$\delta f = \pm \frac{m_1}{(R + H)^2} \left( 2f \frac{M}{R + H} - V^2 \right) \delta H$$

# Orbital Perturbations

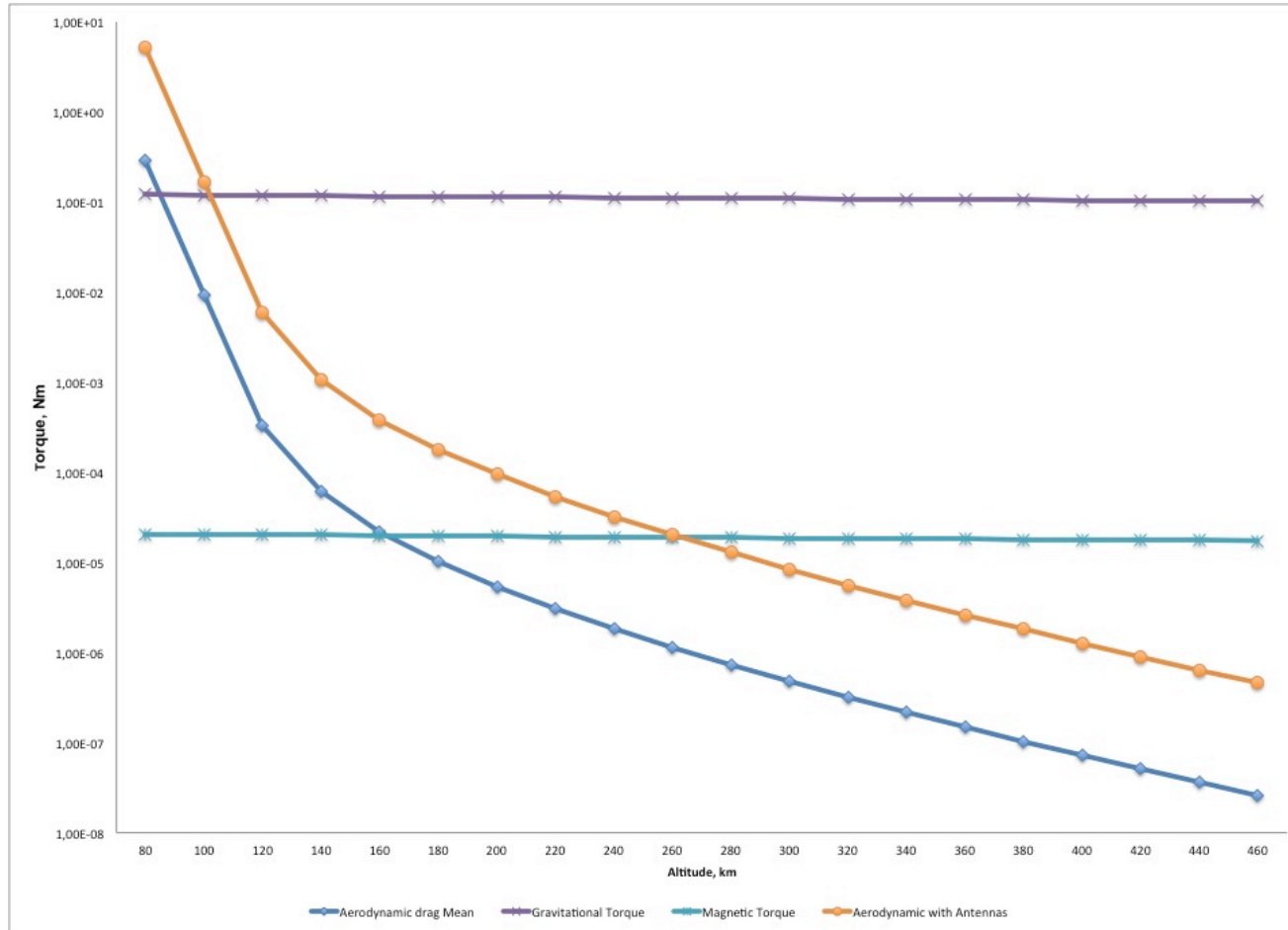


$$L = -H_E \mu \sin \sigma$$
$$\mu = VB$$

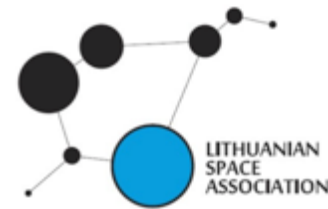
Estimation of:

- Magnetic torque
- Delta V change caused by Magnetic re-orientation of Aerodynamic and Gravitational torques and Energy dissipation on Magnetic Hysteresis

# Estimation of Satellite Torques



# Heuristic modeling of Ballistics Coefficients



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1 Table. Calculation of Ballistic Coefficient (Experimental Data)

$$BC = C_x \cdot A(m^2) / m(kg)$$

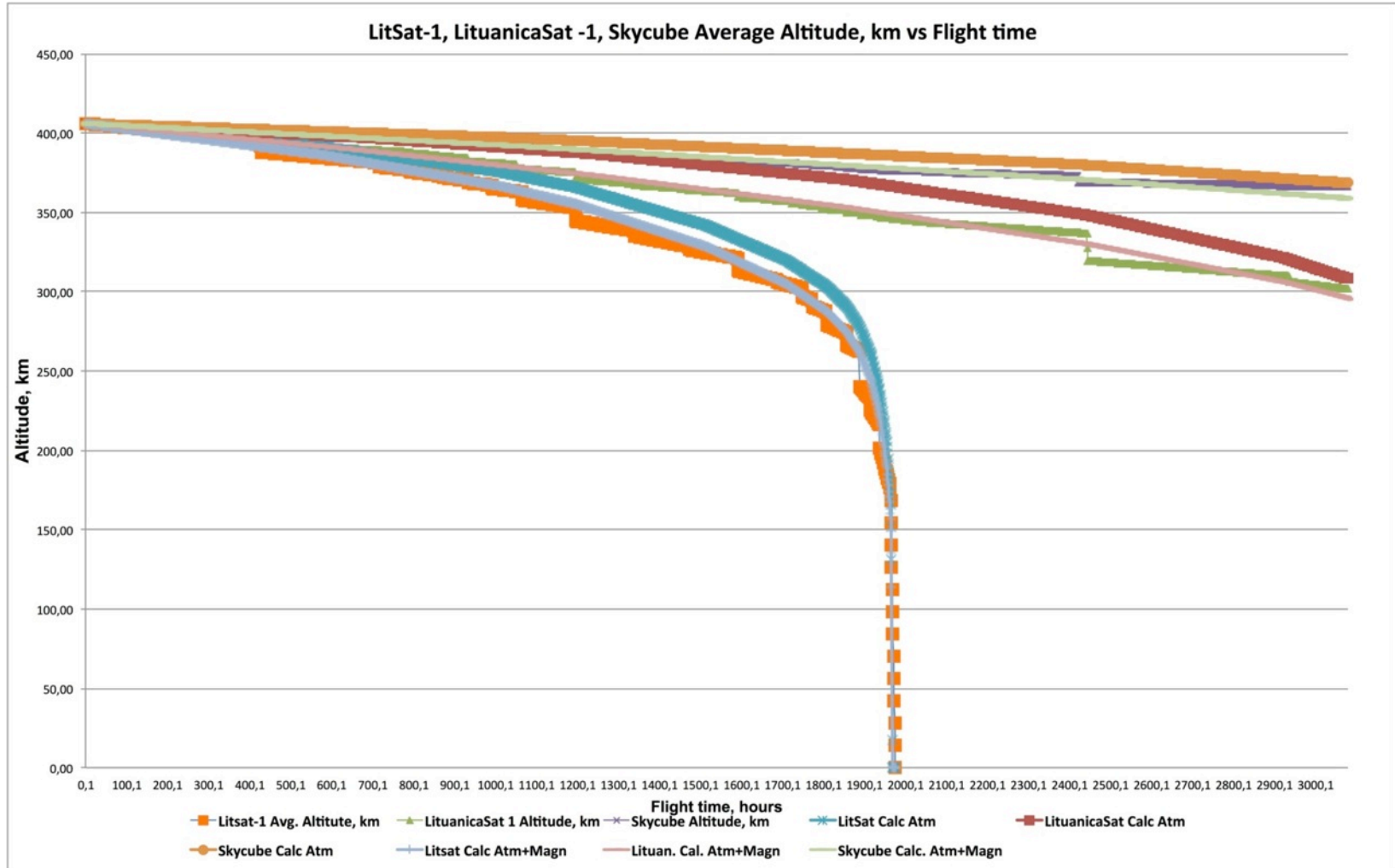
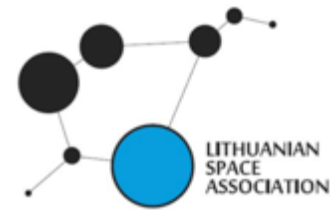
Decay		C <sub>x</sub>	A, m <sup>2</sup> (Area)	C <sub>x</sub> +Magn	A, m <sup>2</sup> (Area) +Magn	d, cm (Effect. Side Length)	m, kg	BC
May 22	UAPSAT	1,28	0,026	1,28	0,026	16,1	0,95	0,0350
May 23	Litsat -1	1,28	0,026	1,28	0,026	16,1	0,95	0,0350
Jul 1	ArduSat 2	1,28	0,048	1,1	0,010	21,9	2	0,0307
Jul 28	Lituanicasat-1	1,28	0,015	0,88	0,011	12,2	1,09	0,0176
> Sep 23	Skycube	1,28	0,012	0,6	0,010	11,0	1,3	0,0118



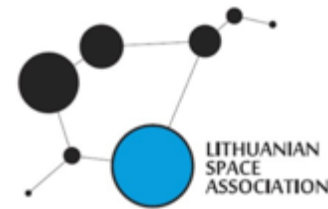
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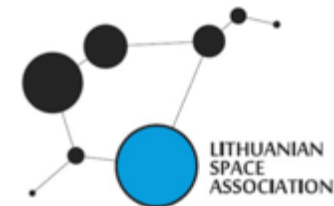
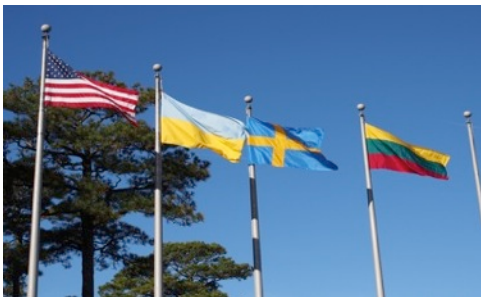
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# Conclusions



- Simple decay model does not fully fits the actual decay data;
- Additional of energy dissipation caused by remagnetizing hysteresis has been added to the model, producing much better results;
- Estimated additional decrease of orbital speed  $\Delta V$  is by average  $5 \times 10^{-3}$  m/s per hour
- Nature of increasing rotation speed of the satellite is not fully known yet;
- Additional calculations and research should be performed in this field.



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