



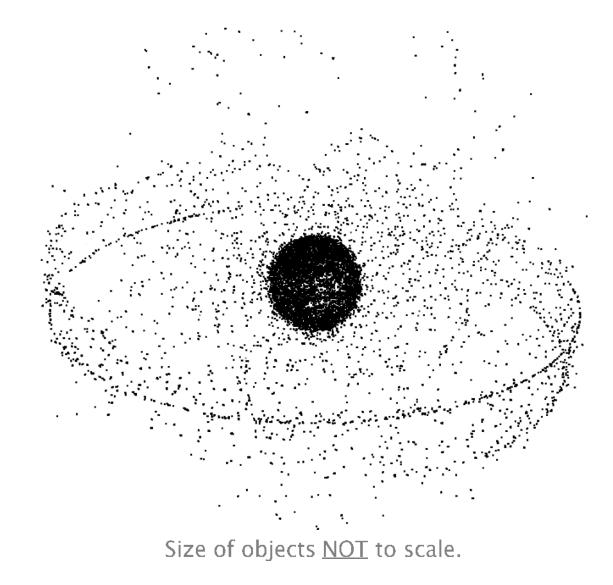
Enhancing spaceflight safety with UoS³ cubesat

University of Southampton Small Satellite

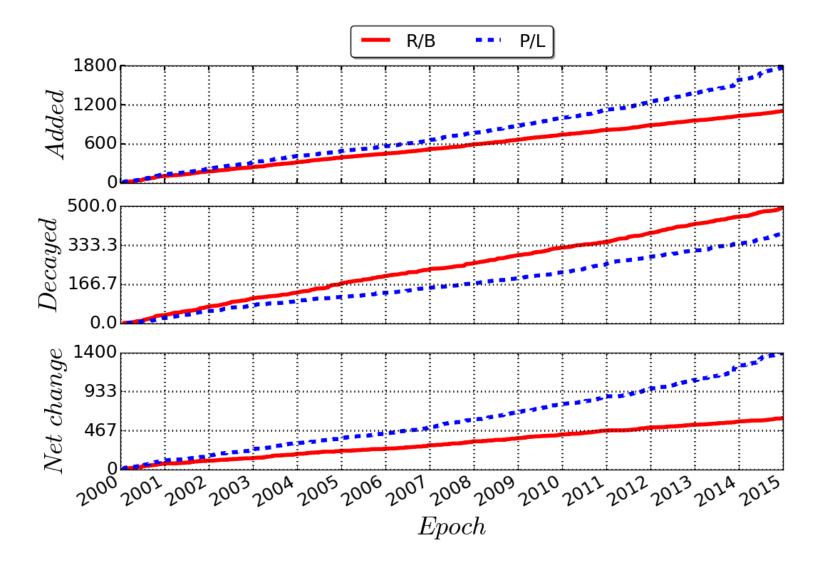
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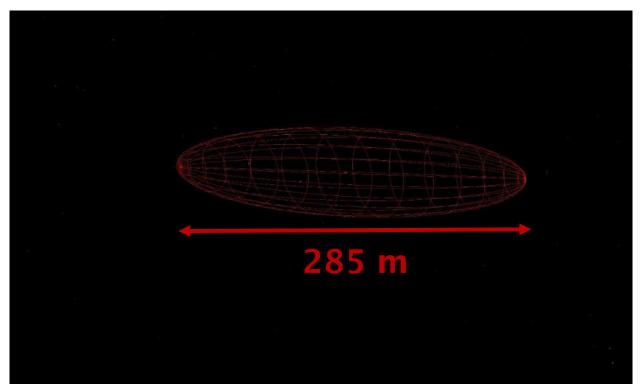
Space debris



Launches continue

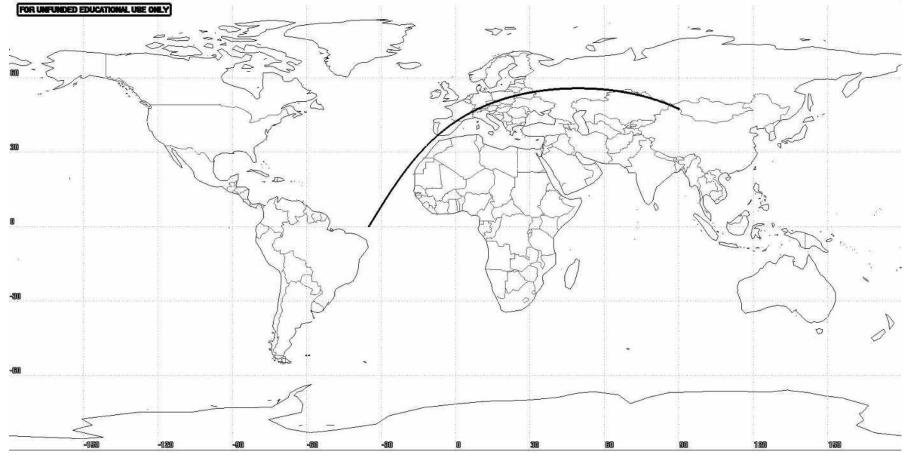


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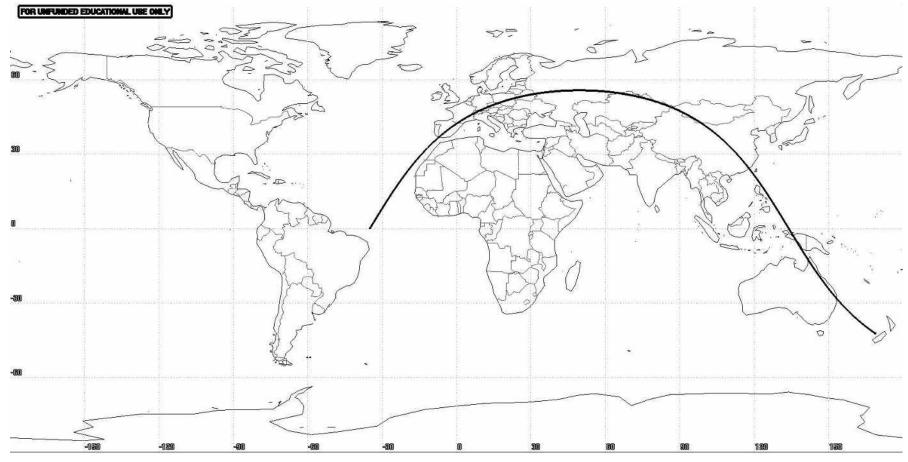
Example satellite state vector at epoch.

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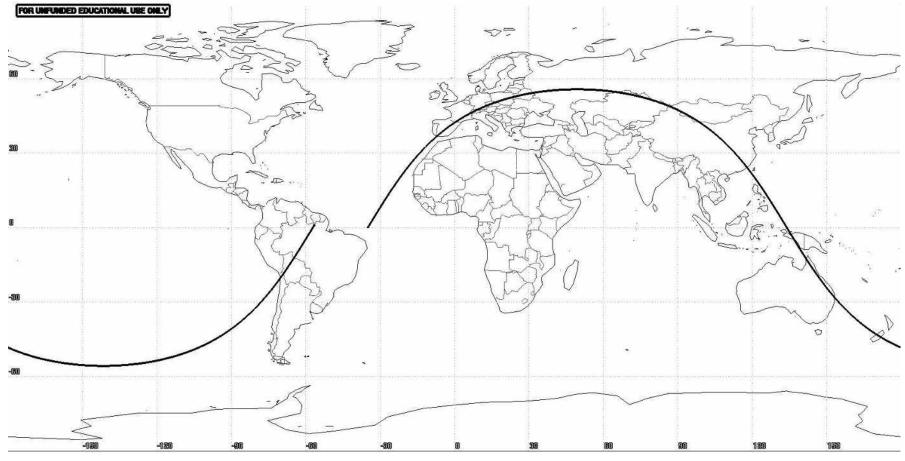
24 hours lead time.

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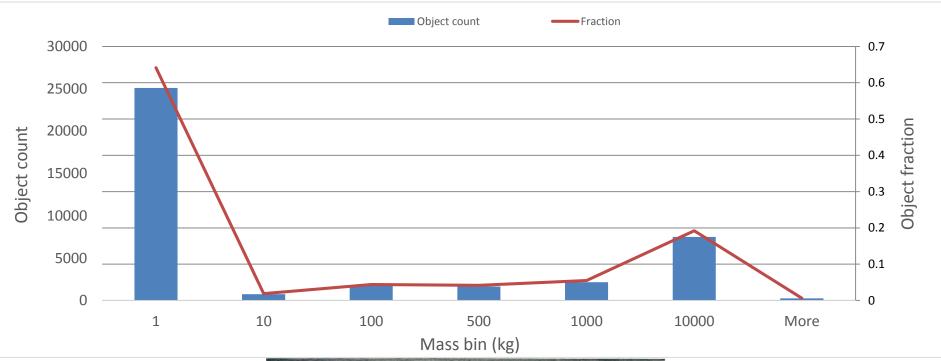
48 hours lead time.

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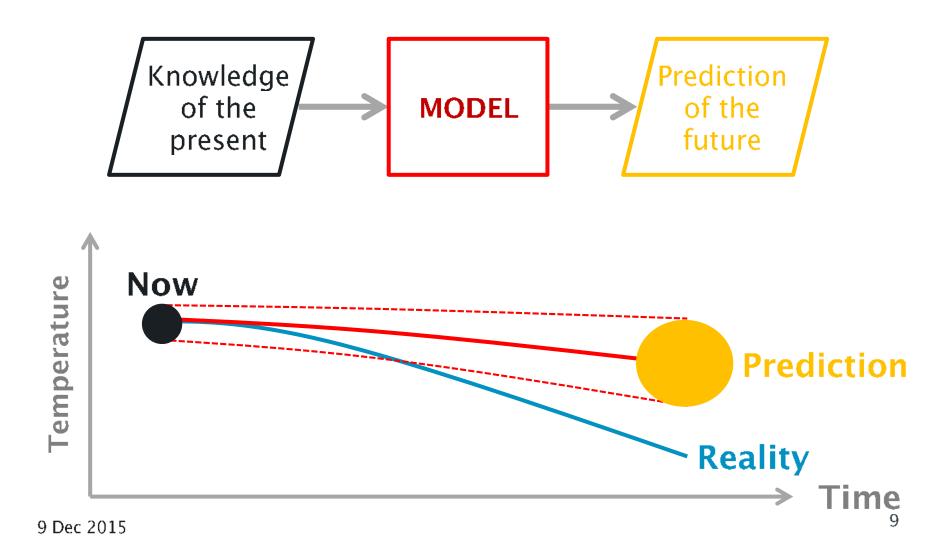
74 hours lead time.

Why do we care





How can we improve our predictions?

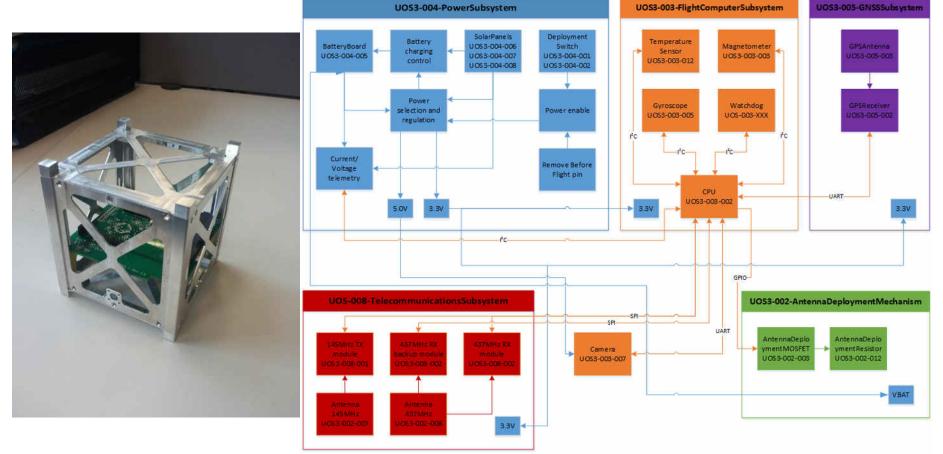


The model we're trying to improve

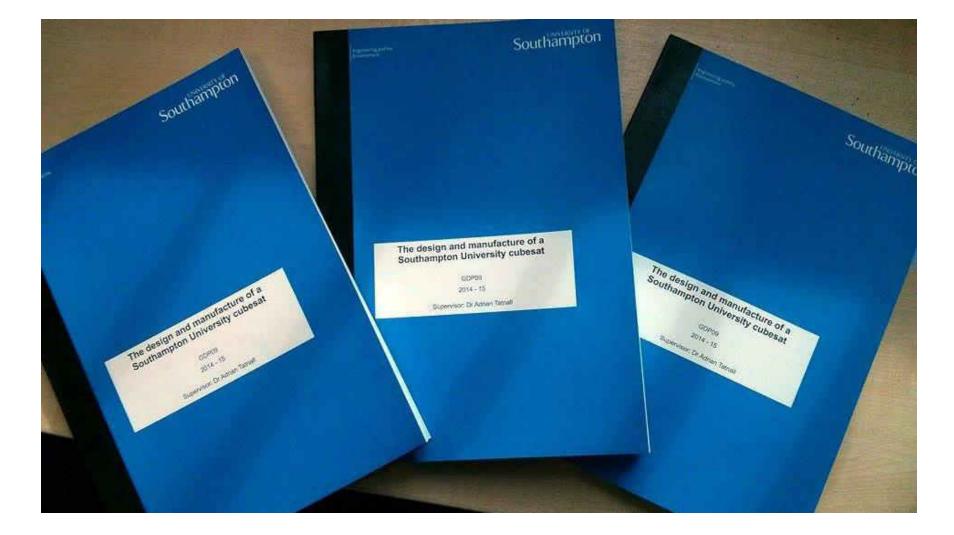
Force equals mass times acceleration, or

$$a = \frac{F}{m} = \frac{1}{2}\rho v^2 A C_D \times \frac{1}{m}.$$

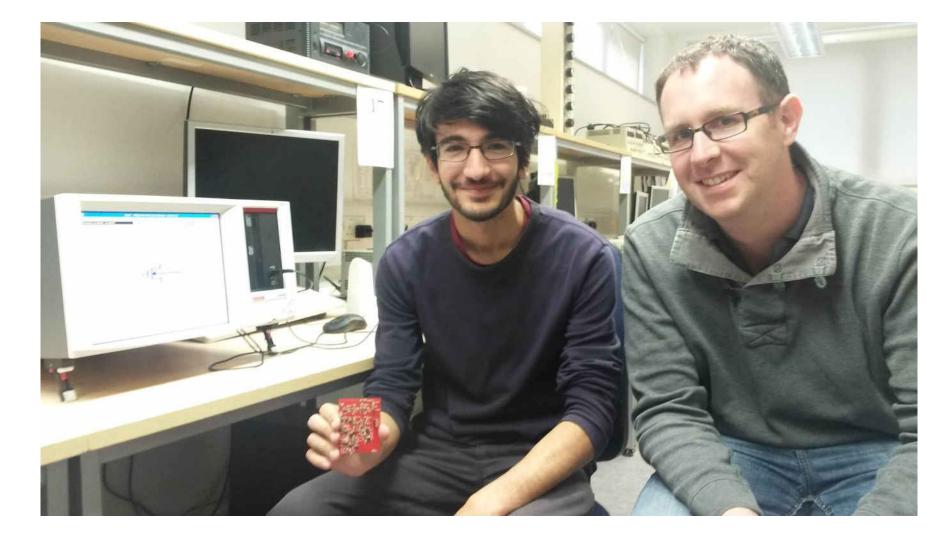
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Cross-University collaboration

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Exhibition still from *Deep Highly Eccentric* at The Winchester Gallery, curated by Mia Taylor, image: Dave Clark



Sculpture by Systems House: '*New Reflector Tower'*, 2013, Stainless steel, aluminum, concrete, reflective tape & industrial paint Exhibition still from *Deep Highly Eccentric* at The Winchester Gallery, curated by Mia Taylor, image: Dave Clark

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Conclusion

- Possibly 2nd University cubesat in the UK
- Invented, designed and built by students
- Much-needed science that interests:
 - 1. European Space Agency Space Debris Office
 - 2. TU Braunschweig Institute of Aerospace Systems
 - 3. University College London Space Geodesy and Navigation Laboratory
 - 4. Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales
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