CUBE SATELLITE ENVIRONMENTAL SIMULATOR FINAL DESIGN PRESENTATION

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Mission Objective:

Our goal is to design and build a simulator that can reproduce the sun and earth as a source of radiation and rotate the cube satellite about multiple axes in order to determine the amount of power it receives from the solar cells over time.



REQUIREMENTS

- Rotate satellite about multiple axes at a speed of 1-5 rpm
- Produce a light source with the same spectrum and intensity as the sun
- A reflective surface to represent the albedo of the earth (30%)
- No spurious light reflections
- Ideally fit into an anechoic chamber

CART+CLAMP



TRACK+CART







MECHANICAL SYSTEM





• We'll be using a DC Dayton Gear Motor (12V)





RPM	Torque	Current	Price
	oz.in	Amp	\$
8.75	656		39.99

COMPUTER INTERFACE

Controller

Visual



This system allows us to control the motor speed

Position Control



SOLAR SIMULATION





ALBEDO SIMULATION



 This bulb will be mounted to the base frame at a distance of 23 in from the cube.

CONCEPT OF OPERATION

Secure the Cubesat into clamp
Orientate system to desired orientation using clamp, cart/track, and swing
Set DC motor to desired rpm

Turn on light sources

BILL OF MATERIALS

Company	Price(\$)
McMaster	83.15
Best Science	23.98
Speedy Metals	220.69
Servo City	234.96
Emdund Optics	179.35
Eye Light Int.	80
1000 Bulbs.com	123.44
HID Hut	3
Bolt Depot	63.8
TOTAL	1012.37
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