



# **Flight Performance of the Hybrid Energy Storage System Payload Onboard the CSUNSat1 CubeSat**

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# *Outline*

- Overview of CSUNSat1 Project
- CSUNSat1 launch!
- Primary mission phase
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# *CSUNSat1 Team*

- JPL Energy Storage Team

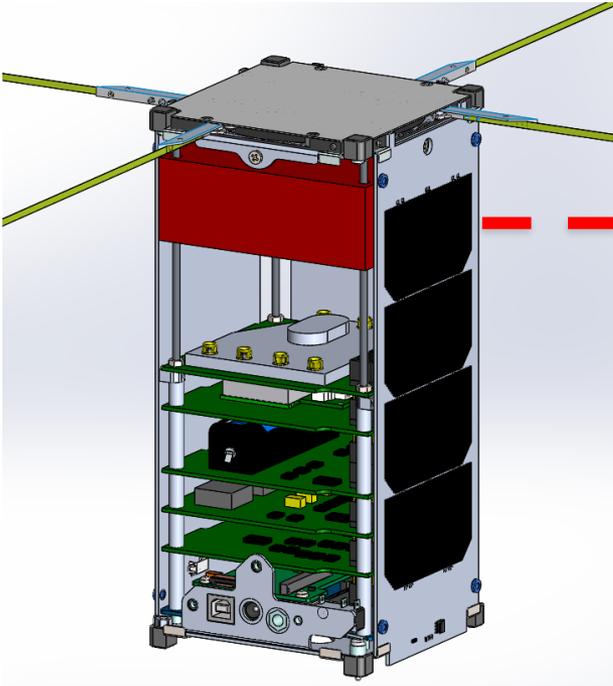
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- Joseph Stiles (intern)



- Gary Bolotin – System Engineer
- John Baker – Lunar Flashlight Mission Manager
- Prof. James Flynn – CSUNSat1 Lead

# *CSUN/JPL Collaboration Program*

- **Funded by NASA's 2013 Small Spacecraft Technology Program (only 2 yrs)**
- **Time frame: 11/1/2013 – 9/27/2015**

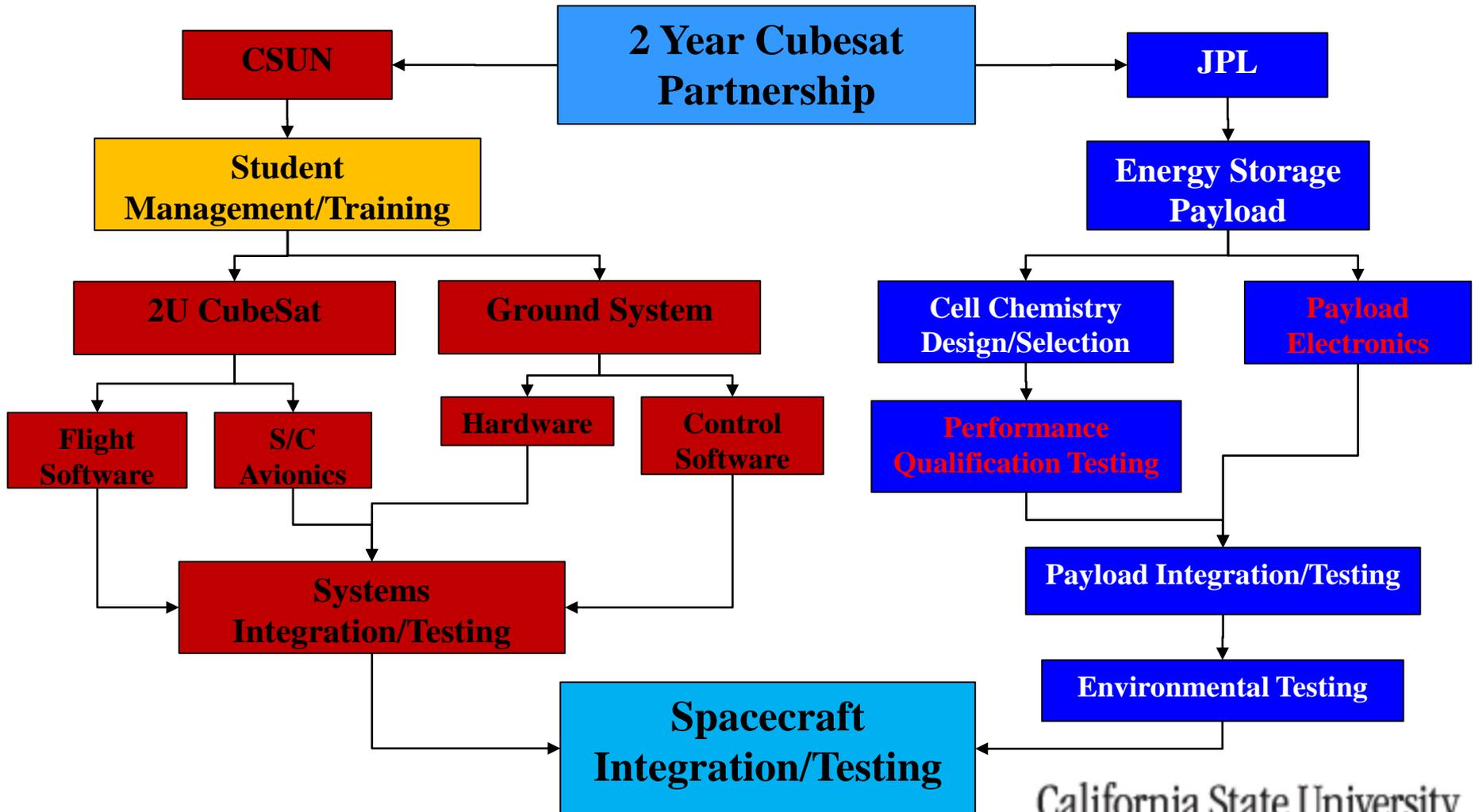


## **JPL Energy Storage Payload**

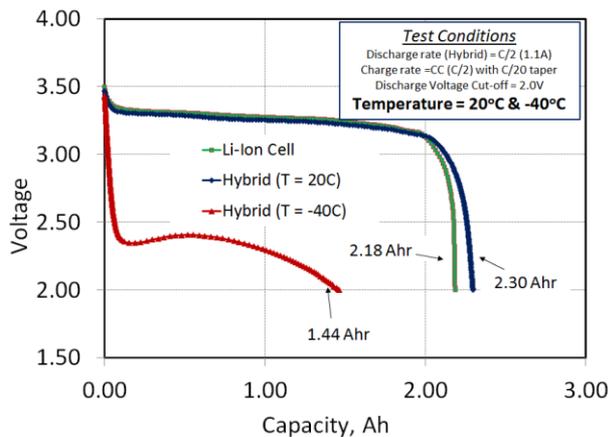
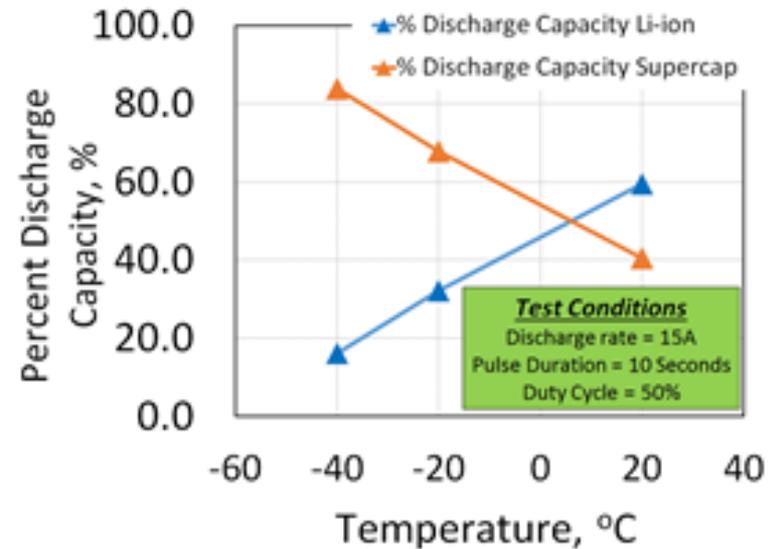
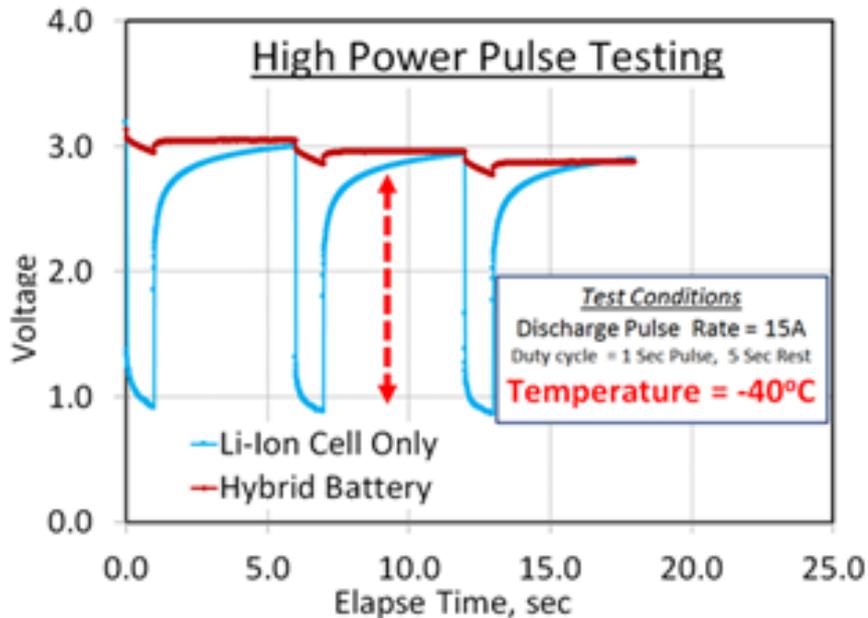
### **CSUNSat1: 2U CubeSat**

- **Processor**
- **Communications**
- **Power System**

# Program Activity Flowchart



# JPL Hybrid Performance Testing

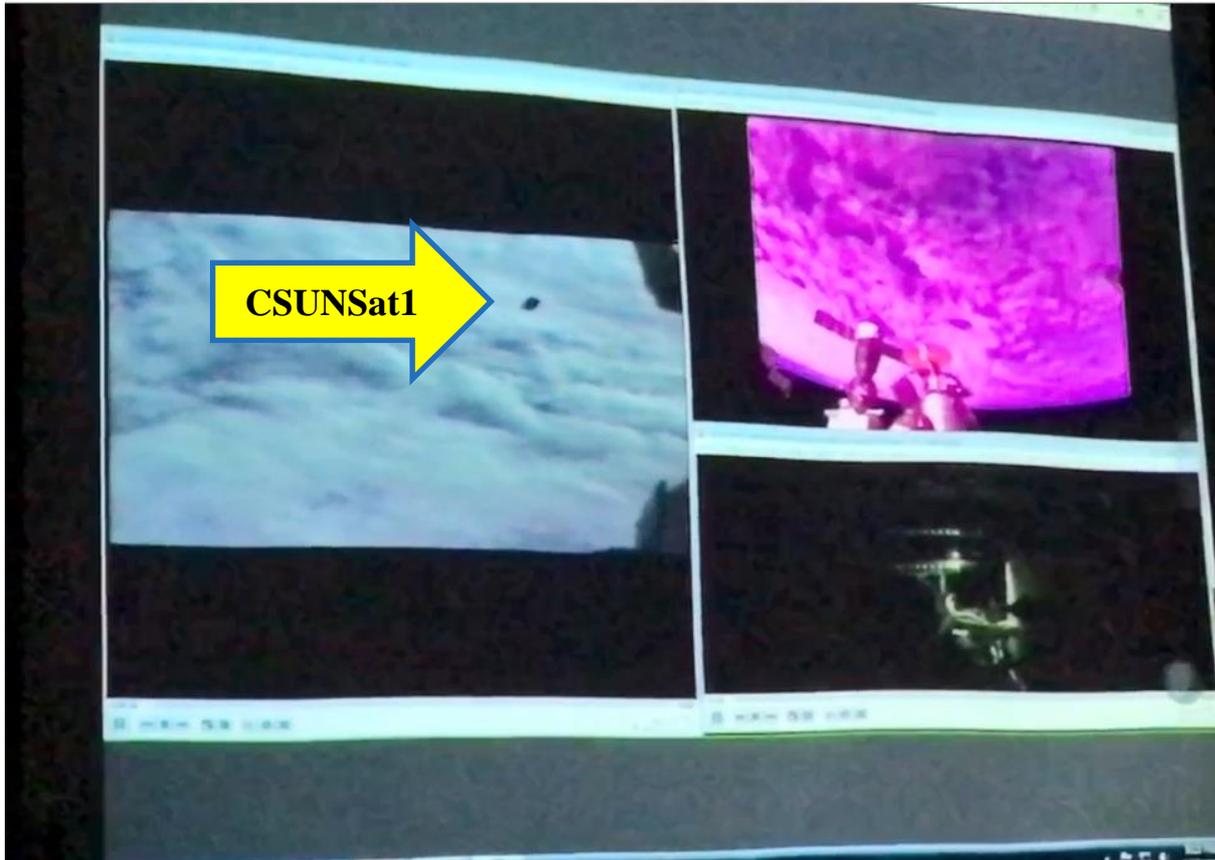


- Excellent performance down to -40°C.
- Li-ion provides high energy output.
- Supercaps provide high power output.
- Enhanced usage life from load-sharing.

# *CSUNSat1 Launch from Cape on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017!!*

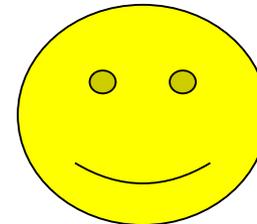


*CSUNSat1 Launch from ISS on May 17, 2017,  
041500 GMT!!*



# *Primary Mission*

- CSUNSat1 flight system checkout
  - Payload battery functional test.
  - Charge/discharge of battery, supercapacitor, and hybrid mode.
- Payload thermal performance characterization
  - High power (>5C-rate) tests @ nominal temperatures > 0°C
  - High power (>5C-rate) tests @ low temperature < 0°C.
- *Pass/fail Criteria:*
  - *Both battery and supercapacitor functional.*
  - *Hybrid system is functional.*
  - *Capacity loss on the battery is < 10%.*

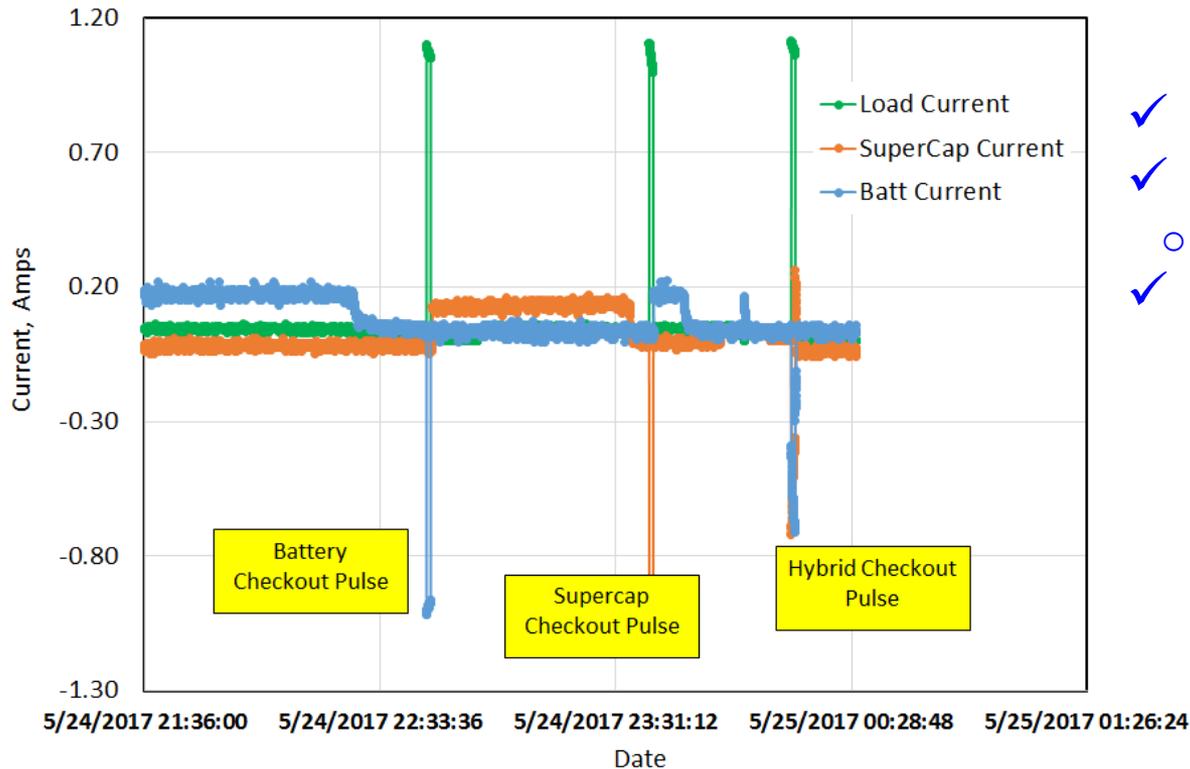


**100% success!**

# CSUNSat1 flight test data

## Payload system checkout

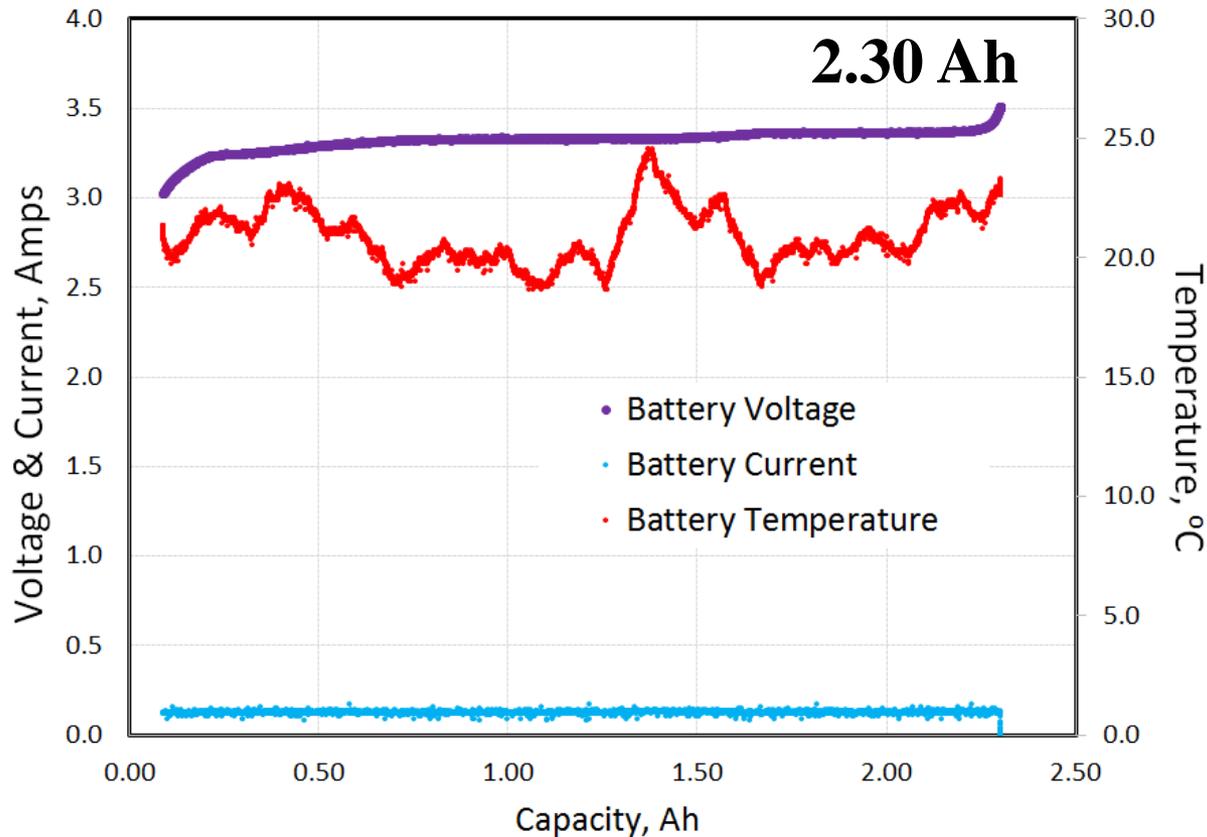
CSUNSat1 Temetry- Payload Currents



- ✓ **CSUNSat1 all systems go!**
- ✓ **Battery is in good health**
  - Battery voltage > 3.0V (3.3 BOL)
- ✓ **SuperCaps are in good health**
  - Capacitances (310F nominal)
    - SuperCap1 = 317.8 F**
    - SuperCap2 = 302.1 F**

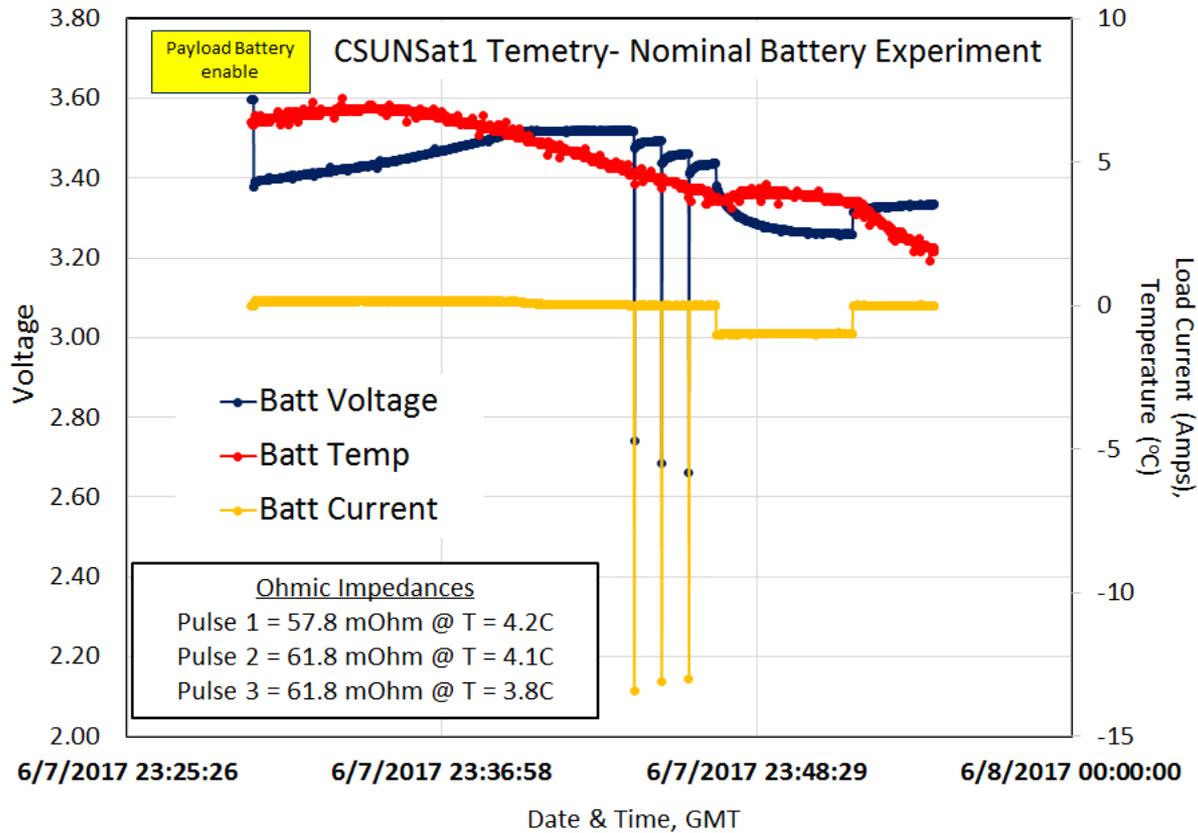
# *CSUNSat1 flight test data*

## *Initial 24 hr charge cycle*



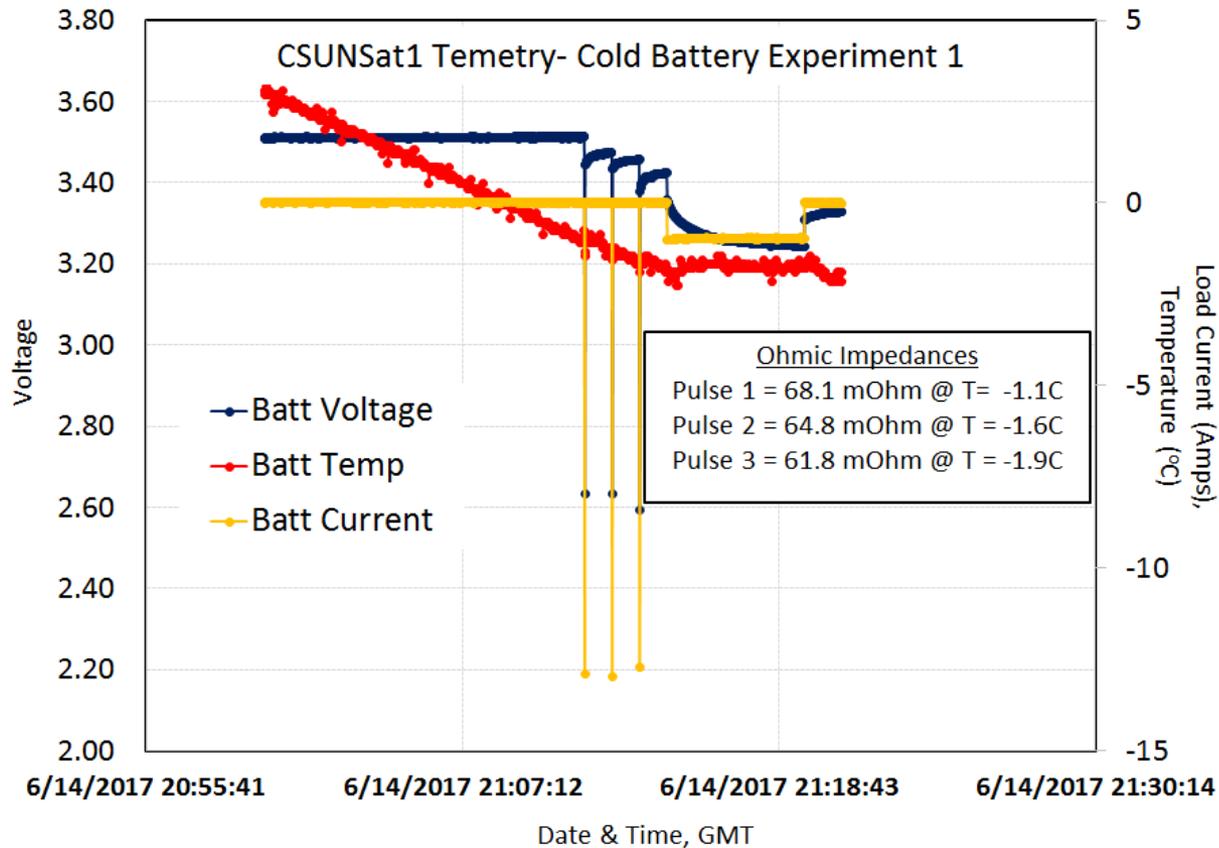
# CSUNSat1 flight test data

## Nominal temperatures



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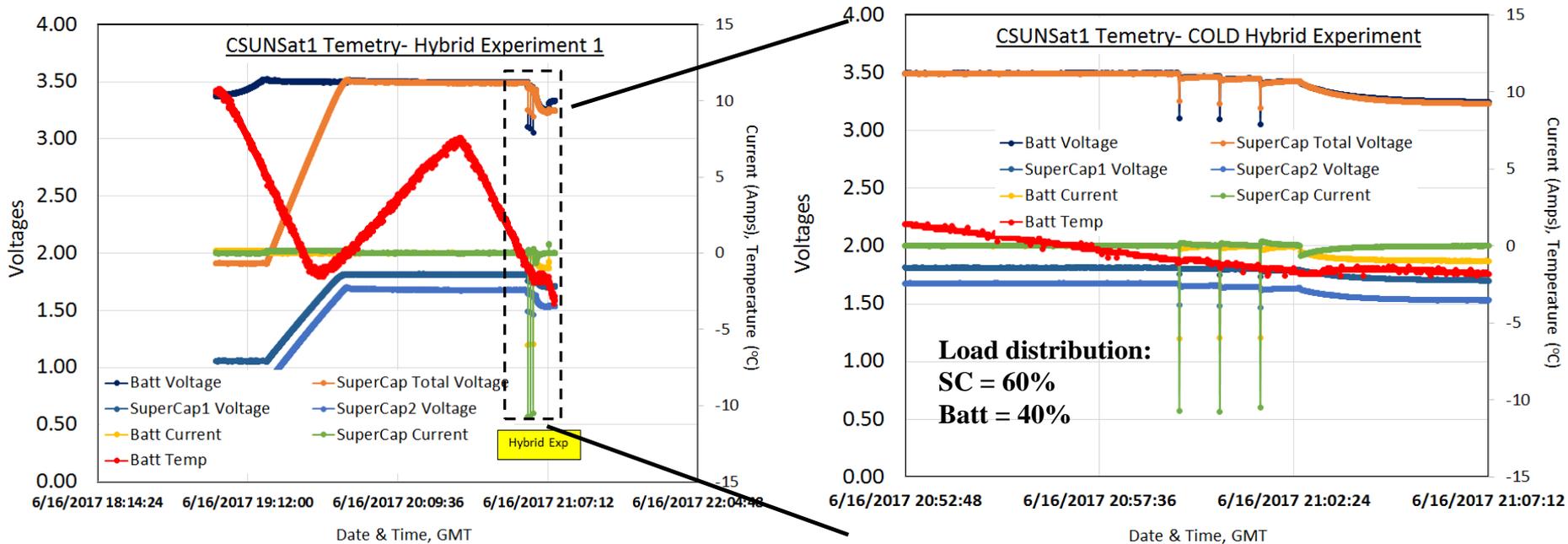
## Low temperatures



- **CubeSat thermal environment posed significant challenges in achieving low payload temperatures.**

# CSUNSat1 flight test data

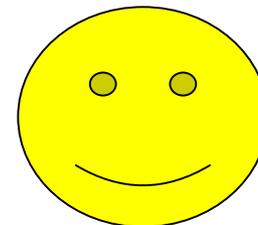
## Low temperatures



Pulse #	Batt Imp (mOhm)	SC Tot Imp (mOhm)	SC2 Imp (mOhm)	SC1 Imp (mOhm)	Temp (°C)
1	64.89	22.35	17.44	4.91	-1.10
2	62.83	21.19	16.07	5.12	-1.33
3	66.70	23.88	17.43	6.46	-1.57

# *Extended Mission*

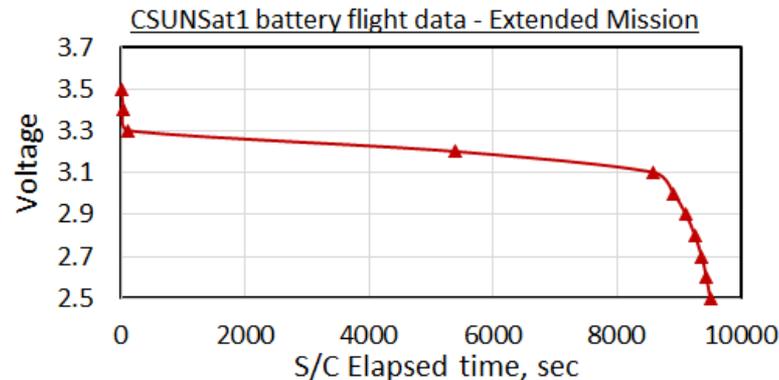
- Enable payload battery as primary energy storage
- Perform battery life characterization
- Battery performance model development
  - Model validation from CSUNSat1 flight data
- *Pass/fail Criteria:*
  - *Minimum of 10 full charge/discharge cycles.*
  - *Functional predictive model capabilities.*
  - *Model fidelity < 5% error.*



**100% success!**

# *CSUNSat1 Operational challenges*

- Telemetry SD card failed during extended mission phase
- Thermal limitations of payload electronics board from dissipation due to prolonged high rate discharge.



# Battery Model Basics

$$\text{Capacity}(t) = \int_{\text{sim\_}t_0}^{\text{sim\_}t_f} i * dt$$

$$\text{SOC} = \frac{\text{Capacity}(t)}{100\% \text{Cap}(\text{Temp}, \text{usage})}$$

$$V(t) = V_o + \eta$$

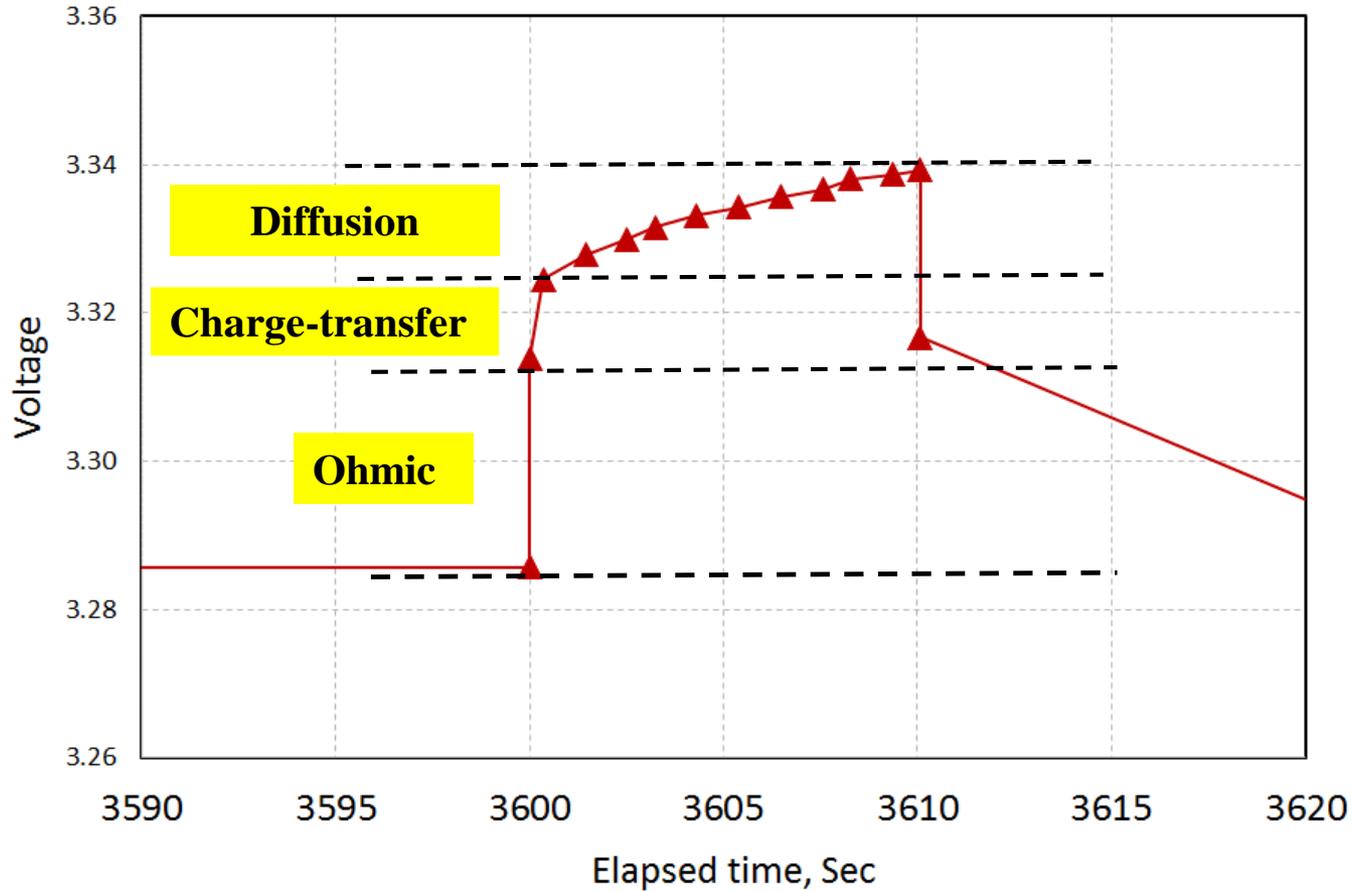
Over-potential

$$\eta = \text{Load} * \text{Impedances}$$

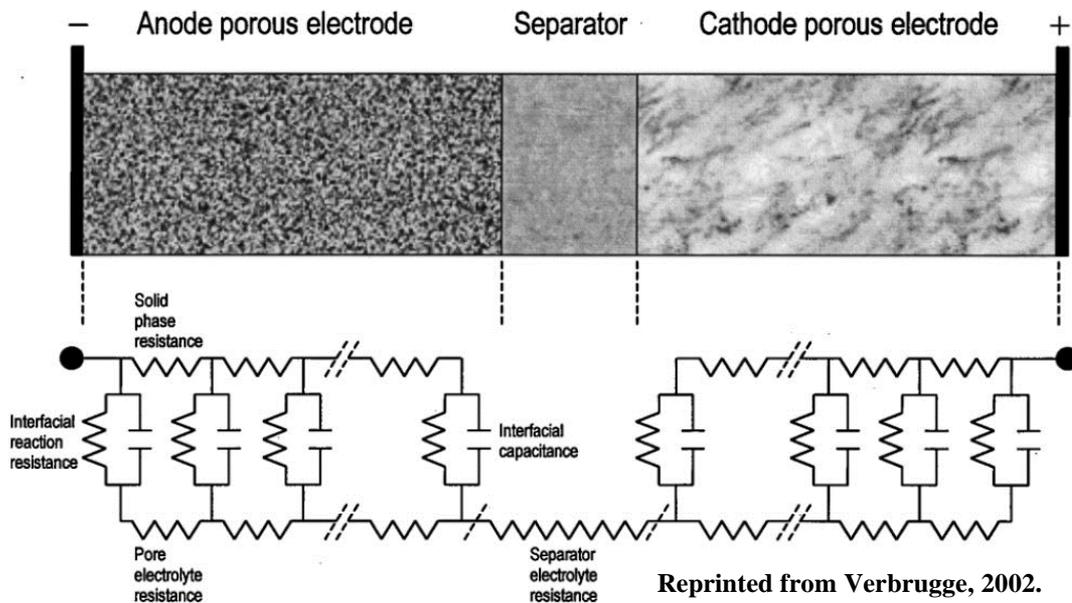
$$\text{Impedance} = f(\text{Ohmic}, \text{ChargeTransfer}, \text{MassTransfer})$$

$$\text{Parameterization} = \text{Impedance}(\text{Temp}, \text{SOC}, \text{time})$$

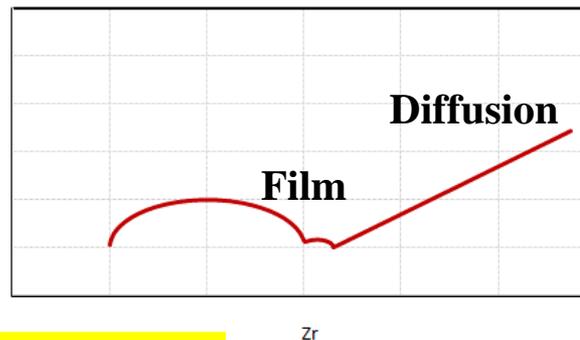
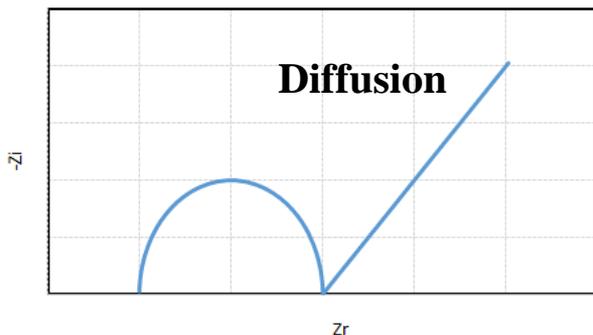
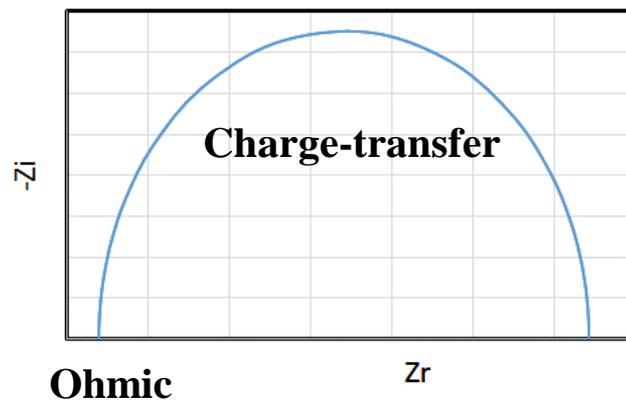
# *DC Impedance perspective*



# Battery physics from ac impedence

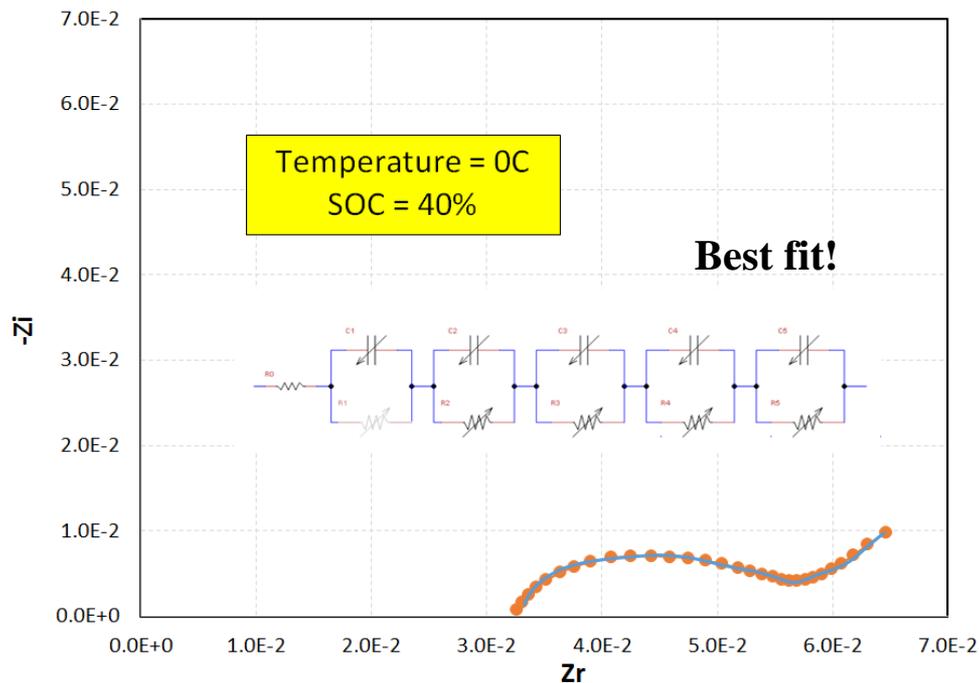
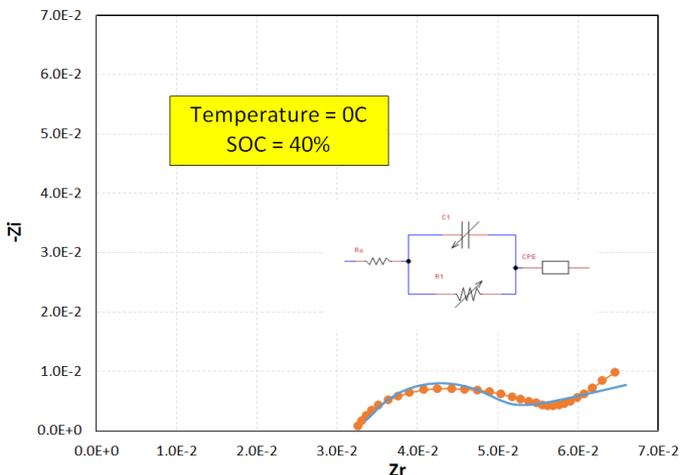
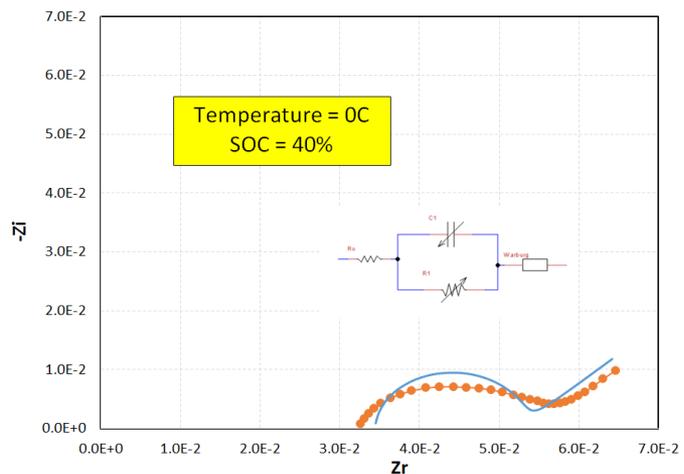


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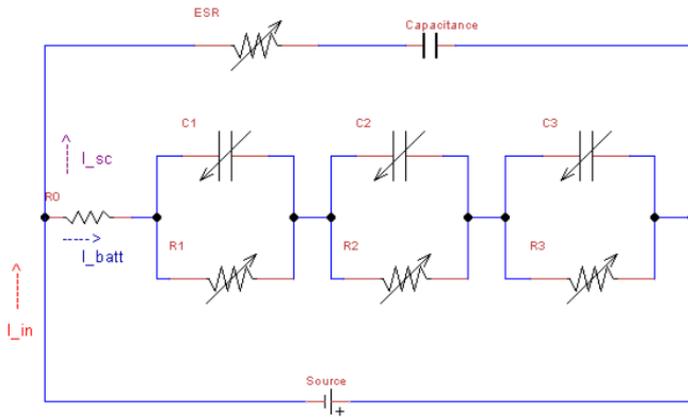
➤ Basis for battery model: ohmic, charge-transfer, film, & mass-transfer impedances. It has physical basis, easily measurable, and representable mathematically for modeling purposes.

# Circuit Modeling Fitting



- Add RC-units provide substantially improved fit over Warburg & CPE.

# Hybrid Battery Model

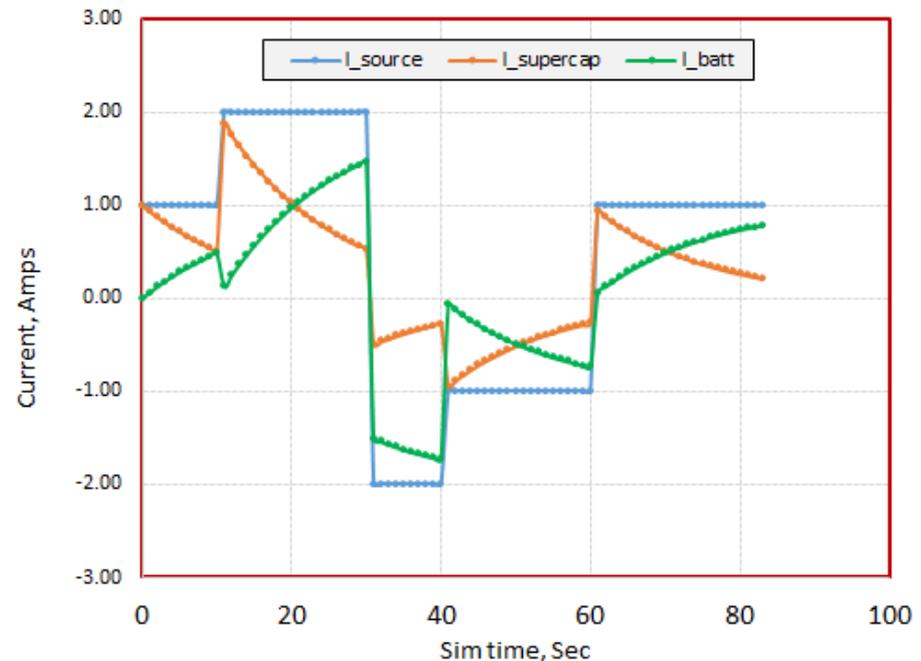


Apply Kirchhoff's current and voltage laws:

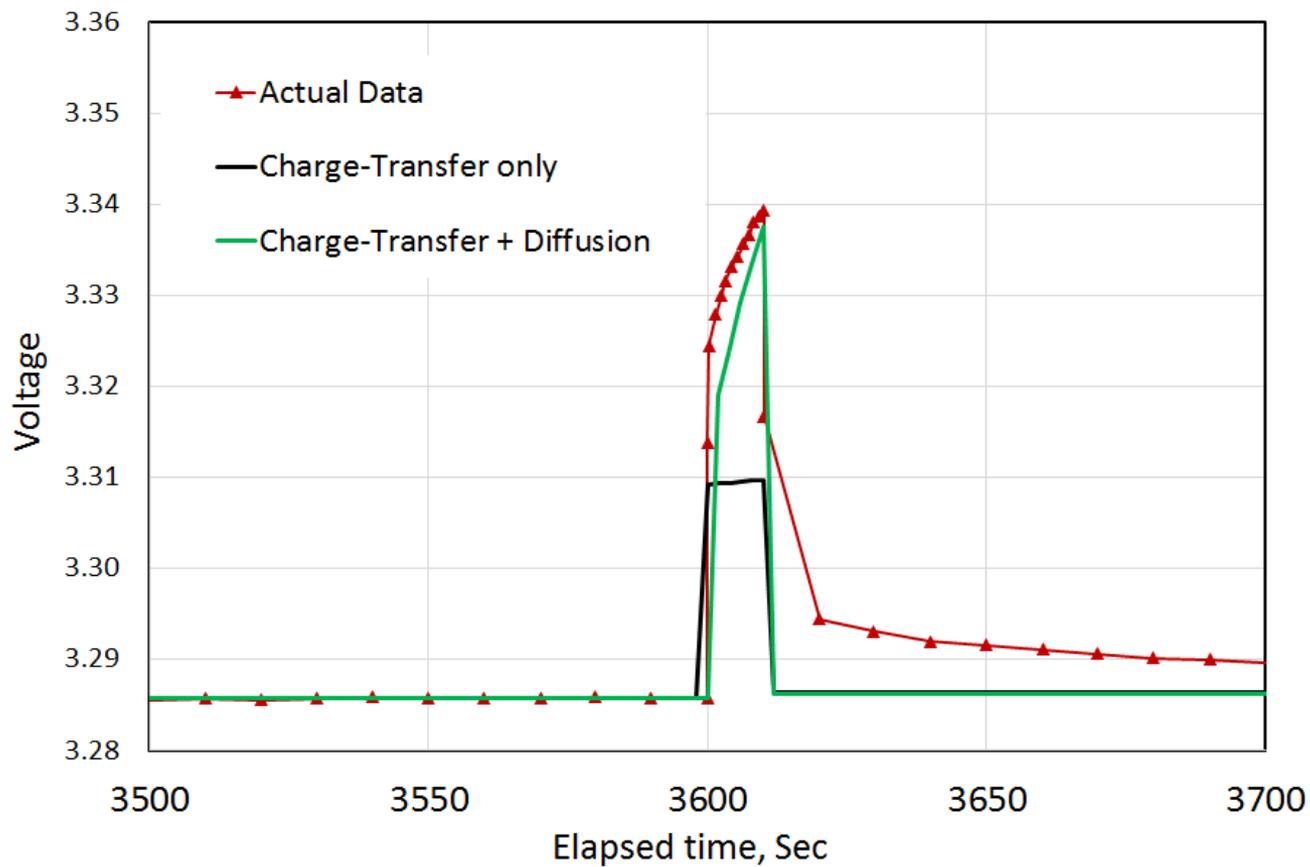
$$I_{in} = I_{sc} + I_{batt}$$

$$\xi_{source} = I_o * R_{ESR} + \frac{q}{C_{supercap}}$$

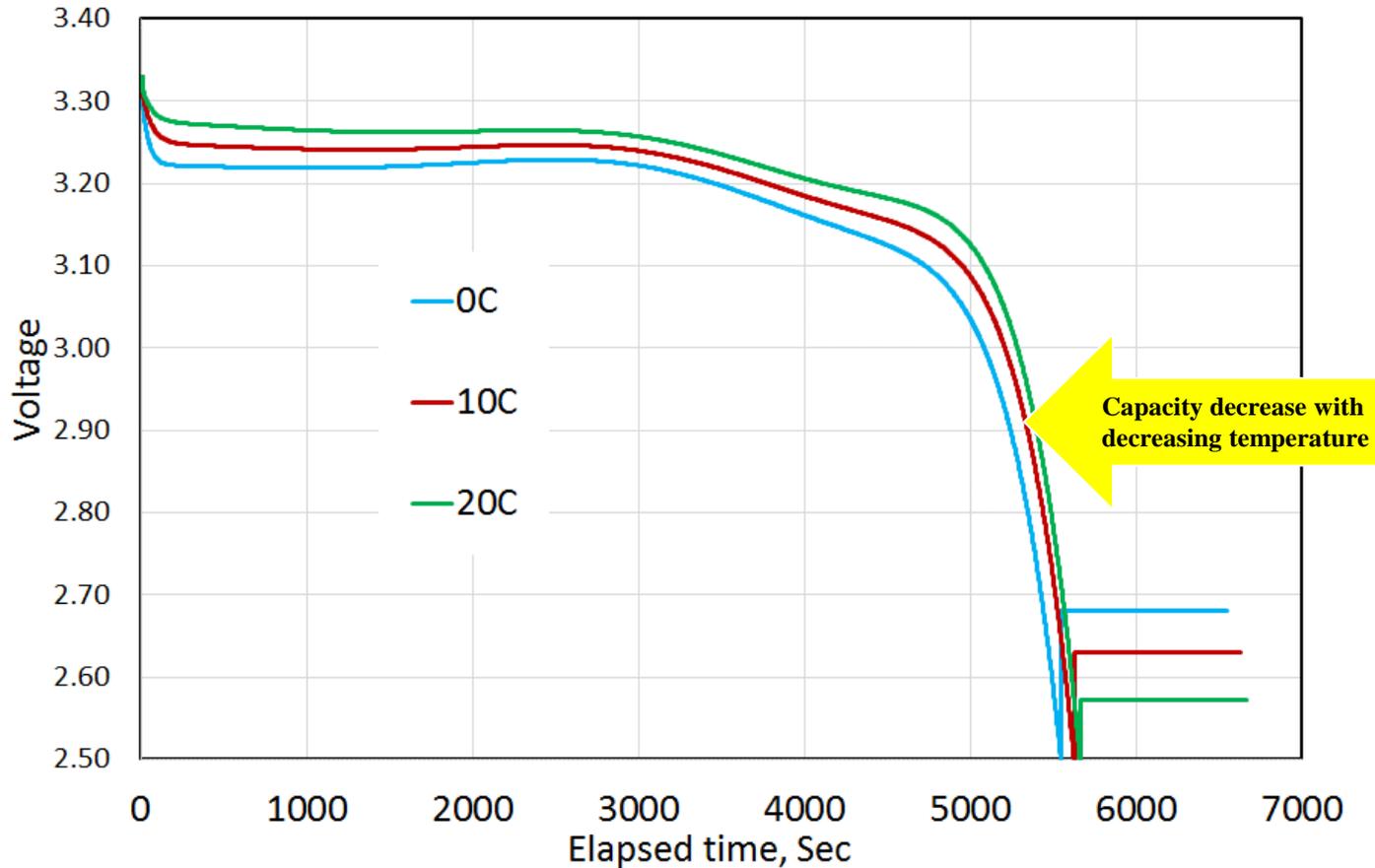
Example of hybrid load distribution model:



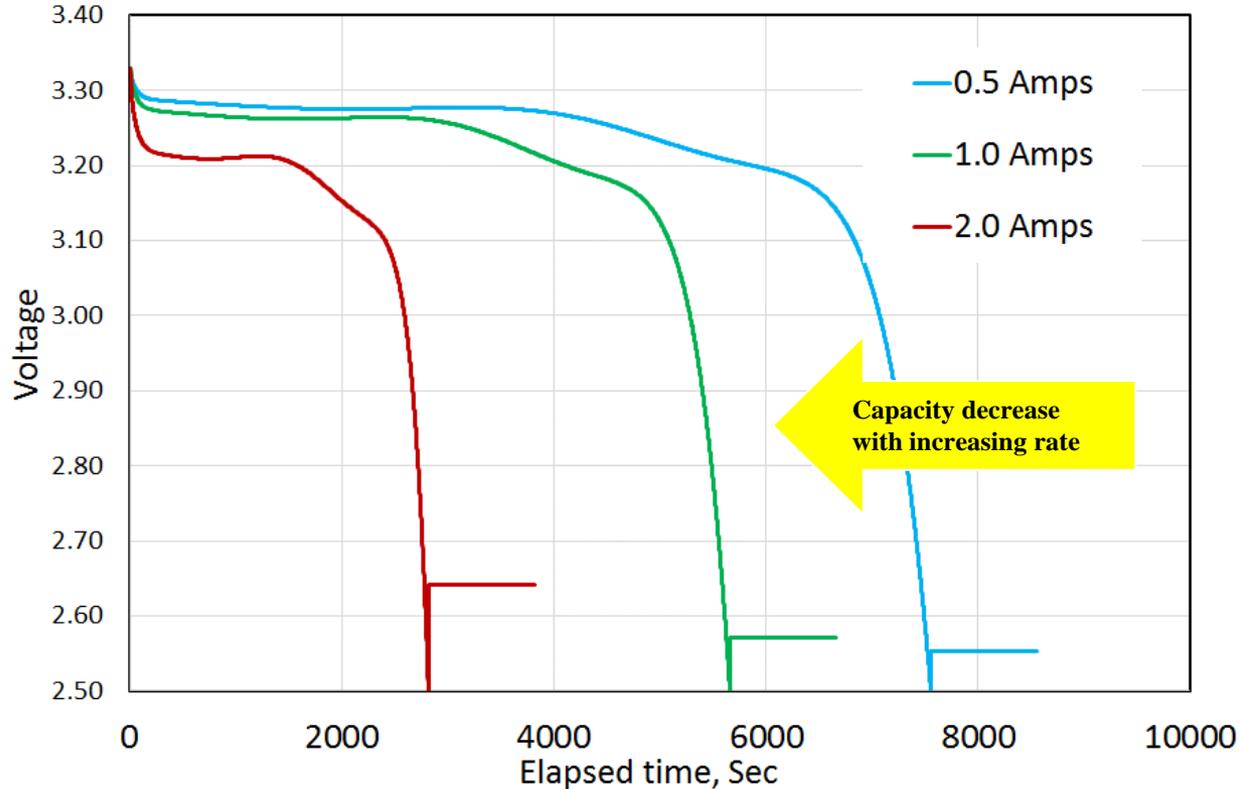
# Voltage Model Validation: Transients



# *Voltage Model Validation: Temperatures*

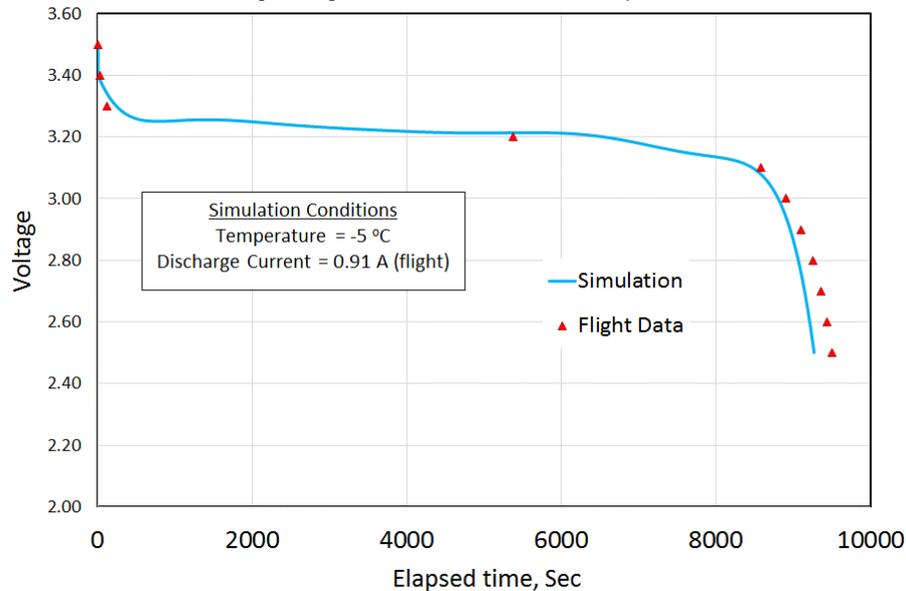


# Voltage Model Validation: Current Rates

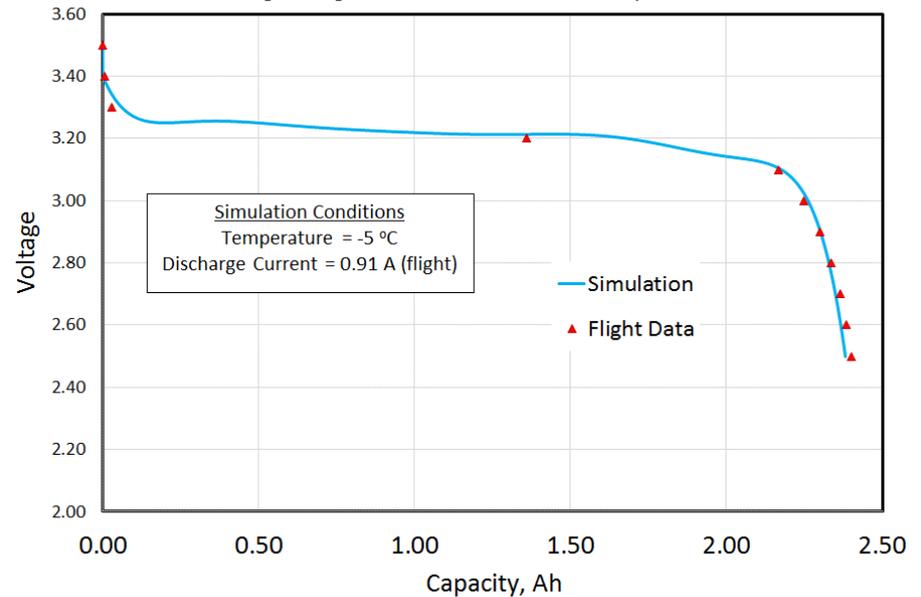


# *Flight Simulation Test Case: CSUNSat1 payload telemetry*

Discharge Voltage Profile - CSUNSat1 vs JPL Battery Simulation Model



Discharge Voltage Profile - CSUNSat1 vs JPL Battery Simulation Model



**JPL simulated battery model successfully predicted CSUNSat1 hybrid battery performance on flight.**

# Summary

- CSUNSat1 project is **100% successful** in completing both primary and extended mission phases.
- CSUNSat1 operations provided flight heritage on an enhanced low-temperature high power capable hybrid energy storage system designed for deep space applications.
- CSUNSat1 flight battery telemetry provided validation of an impedance-based battery modeling technique for generic flight applications.
- Future work
  - ❖ Development of CSUNSat2 for science applications.

*CSUNSat1 project  
is dedicated to the  
Life & Memory of  
Dr. Sharlene Katz,  
1954 - 2017*

*-In honor of her excellence  
in engineering & education.*



*Celebration of Life*

In Memory of Professor

*Sharlene Katz*

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