# Magnetorquer Board (iMTQ)



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#### DESCRIPTION

The ISIS MagneTorQuer board (iMTQ) is a PCB based 3-axis magnetic actuation and control system for Cubesats. It is designed as a standalone detumbling system and can also be used with more advanced ADCS hardware providing actuation of 0.2Am<sup>2</sup>. In every axis, the system can be used to detumble cubesats up to a 12-unit sized system. The system can be placed in a cubesat electronics stack or in between stacks in ISIS cubesat structures. It can be controlled over digital or analog interface, and provides telemetry over I<sup>2</sup>C.

#### **FEATURES**

- Three axis magnetometer (onboard + interface for external MTM)
- Three actuators; two torque rods and one air core torquer.
- Current sensors for each torquers
- Temperature telemetry of actuators
- Including detumbling algorithm
- Suitable to detumble up to 12U (~24kg) CubeSats
- Can be used to desaturate reaction wheels

#### PERFORMANCE

- Actuation level in all 3-axis
  → Nominal: 0.2 Am2 (@ 20°C, 5V)
- Maximum actuation envelope error: <5%
- Magnetometer accuracy: <3µT
- Detumbling algorithm frequency: selectable from 1Hz to 8Hz





## **PRODUCT PROPERTIES**

- Mass: 196g
- Qualified operational temperature range:-40°C to +70°C
- Dimensions (I x w x h): 95.9 x 90.1 x 17 mm<sup>3</sup>
- Supply voltage: 5V
- Power consumption (@ 20°C)
  - → No actuation: 175 mW
  - → Full actuation (3-Axis): <1.2W



Magnetorquer coil

## **CONFIGURATION AND OPTIONS**

- External magnetometer
- I2C control level command, with automatic current sensing and temperature correction
- Direct analog control of actuators with direct PWM signal
- CSKB connector type and location



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## QUALIFICATION AND ACCEPTANCE TESTING

Test	QT	AT
Functional	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Vibration	$\checkmark$	-
Mechanical Shock	$\checkmark$	-
Thermal Cycling	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Thermal Vacuum	$\checkmark$	-

 $^{*}\mathrm{QT}$  is performed on the design/qualification model

\*AT is performed on the unit to be shipped



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