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Thermal Systems

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Thermal System Overview

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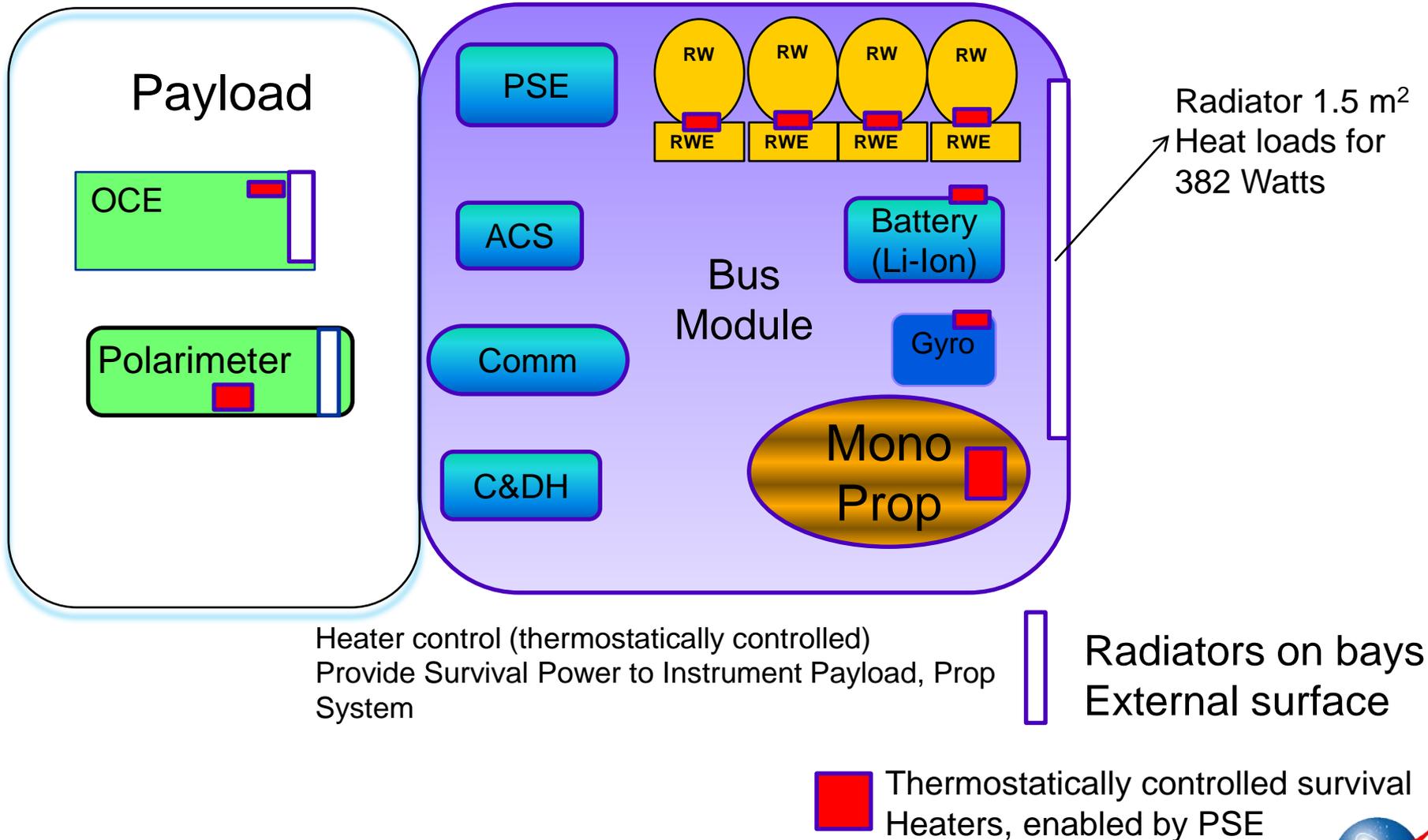
- Thermal Control Design System for Spacecraft Bus
 - Active heater control via mechanical thermostats
 - Passive S/C Radiators for spacecraft components
 - Instruments isolated from spacecraft bus
- Internal Surface Coatings of bus – high emittance surfaces (Aeroglaze Z306 Black Paint)
- Backside of arrays – painted white, high emittance
- External MLI layer insulated on spacecraft bus
 - Outer layer GBK
 - 15 layers MLI make-up
- Kapton film heaters mounted on panels near box baseplates
- Thermostatically controlled heaters
- Flight thermistors for telemetry of temperatures
- Cho-therm interface material used for box to panel interface (electrically and thermally conductive) except for Battery (Nusil interface).
- Heater System (operational and survival)
 - Redundant heaters
 - Two Thermostats in series
 - Thermostatically controlled heaters





PACE TCS Block Diagram

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Heater control (thermostatically controlled)
Provide Survival Power to Instrument Payload, Prop System

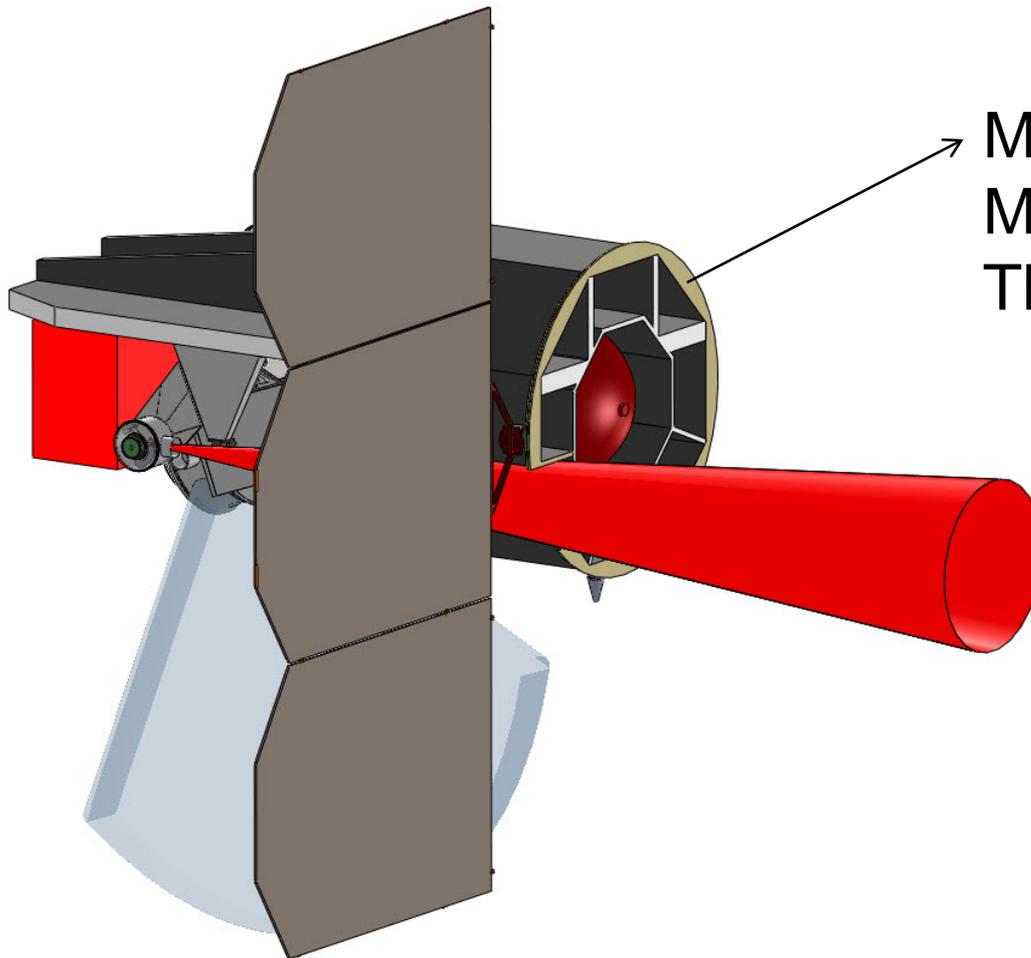
Radiators on bays
External surface





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MLI closeout and
MLI on tank, passive
Thermal system





Thermal Temperature Requirements

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- S/C Components
 - Electronics
 - -10°C to +40°C operational and -20°C to +50°C survival
 - Avionics, comm system
- Solar Array Temperature
 - Operational -100°C to +100°C
- Omni Antennas
 - Operational -40°C to +70°C
- Li-Ion Battery Temperatures
 - Operational 0°C to +10°C (for this Study)
- Chemical Propulsion System
 - +10°C to 40°C





Heater Circuits Summary

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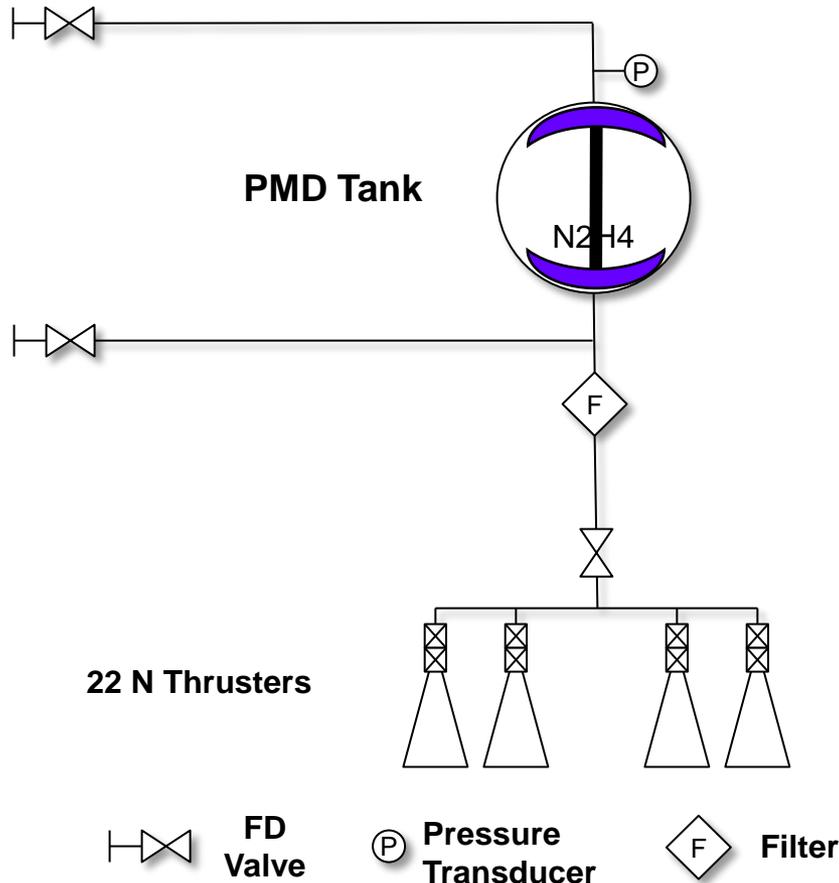
Components	Primary	Redundant
Li-Ion Battery	1	1
22 N Thrusters (4)	4	4
Tank 1 (zones)	4	4
Fuel Lines (zones)	8	8
S/A Drive	1	1
Star Tracker 1	1	1
Star Tracker 2	1	1
RWs, RWEs	4	4
Gyros	1	1
OCE	1	1
Polarimeter	1	1





Propulsion Subsystem Thermal Control

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- Tanks mounted on deck within s/c bus
- Isolated from structure with Ultrem isolators.
- External MLI Bus GBK on sides for Propulsion module insulation. (18 layers) or bias material to reduce heater power needed.
- Tanks MLI (Inside VDA MLI inside bus). low ϵ surface to minimize radiation.
- Heaters mounted to tanks and fuel lines for thermal control.
 - Thermostatically controlled
 - Controlled by servicing bus
- Thermistors mounted to PM components.
- Monitored by C&DH in Bus.





Spacecraft Total Heater Power

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Component	Watts
Propulsion	42.0
Star trackers (2)	10 (survival)
Li-Ion Battery	10*
	62.0

* Operational Heaters





Propulsion System Heater Power

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Component	Watts
22 N thrusters (4)	14.0
Tanks (2)	20
Exterior fuel lines	8
Total	42.0

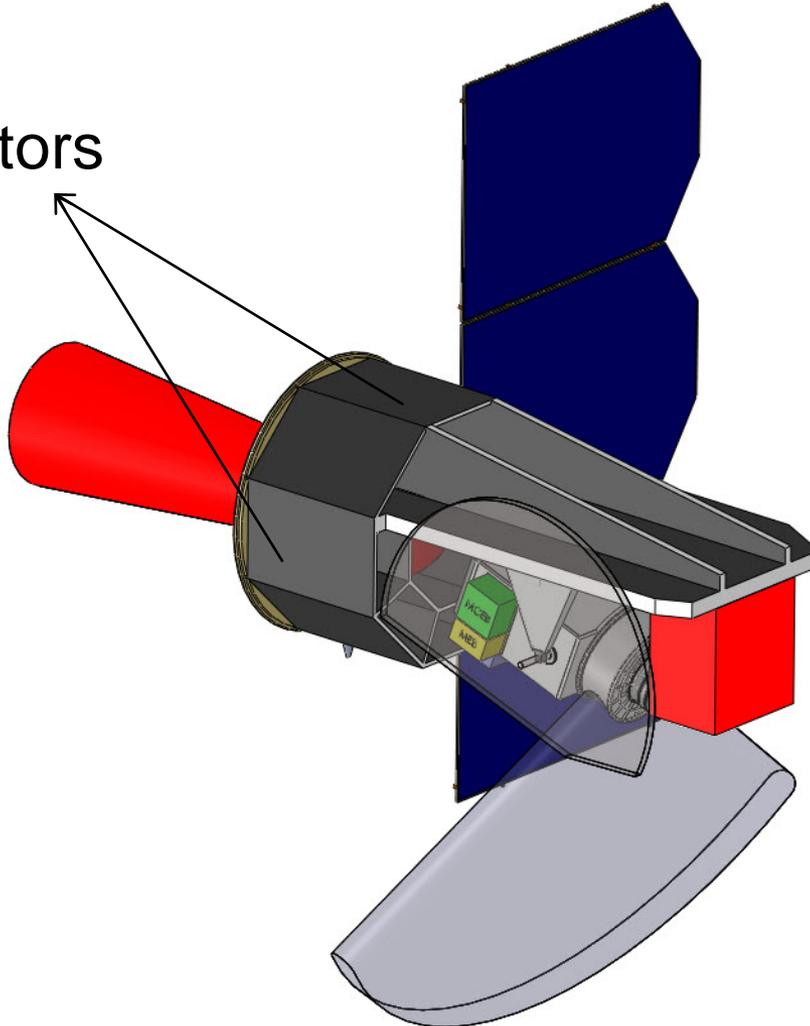




Spacecraft Radiator Locations

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Radiators





Issues / Potential Risks / Future work

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Issues – None

Risks:

- Instrument's radiators have no dependency on spacecraft so they can be tested for design at the Instrument level test

Future work:

- Box locations inside bus to place radiators





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Backup Material





Acronym List

M i s s i o n D e s i g n L a b o r a t o r y

- **MLI:** **Multi-layer insulation**
- **TCS:** **Thermal control system**
- **BOL:** **Beginning of Life**

