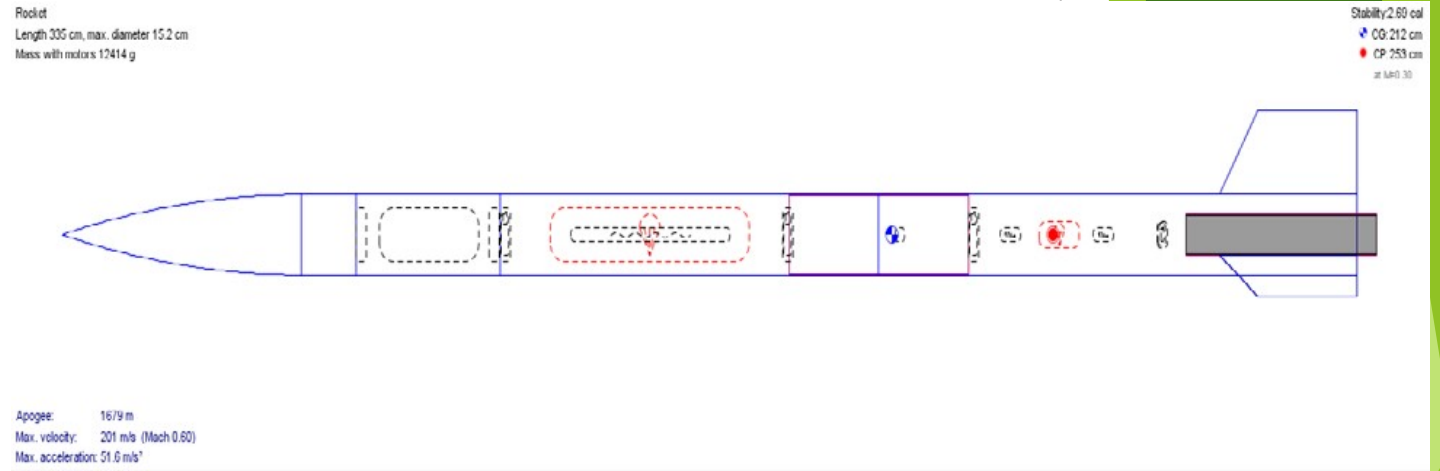


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YCP Student Launch

Vehicle Dimensions

- ◆ Overall length: 131 inches
 - ◆ Bottom body tube:
48 inches
 - ◆ Middle body tube:
38 inches
 - ◆ Top body tube:
22 inches
- ◆ Diameter: 6 inches
- ◆ Fin Dimensions :
 - Chord Root: 36 cm
 - Chord Tip: 25 cm
 - Height: 17.25 cm



Components	Ultimate Strength (KSI)	Weight (lb/in ³)	Max Temperature (F)	Poisson's Ratio
Kevlar	522	0.052	850	0.36
Fiberglass	300	0.055	2030	0.21
Wood (Birch)	5.8	0.024	446	0.40
Carbon Fiber	595	0.047	6332	0.10-0.20
Phenolic	35	0.049	257	0.24
Aluminum	45	0.098	1120	0.33

Fig 3A.1: Material Properties

Factors	Score Used in Decision Matrix
Safety	1-6; Highest Safety Material Gets a 1
Weight (Weighted By 2)	1-6; Lightest Weight Material Gets a 1
Cost (Weighted By 2)	1-6; Cheapest Material Gets a 1
Strength	1-6; Strongest Material Gets a 1
Poisson's Ratio	1-6; Lowest Poisson's Ratio Gets a 1

Fig 3A.2: Scoring Chart for Decision Matrix

Components	Safety	Weight (X 2)	Cost (X 2)	Strength	Poisson	Total
Kevlar	3	8	10	2	5	28
Fiberglass	4	10	6	3	2	25
Wood(Birch)	6	2	2	6	6	22
Carbon Fiber	2	4	12	1	1	20
Phenolic	5	6	4	5	3	23
Aluminum	1	12	8	4	4	29

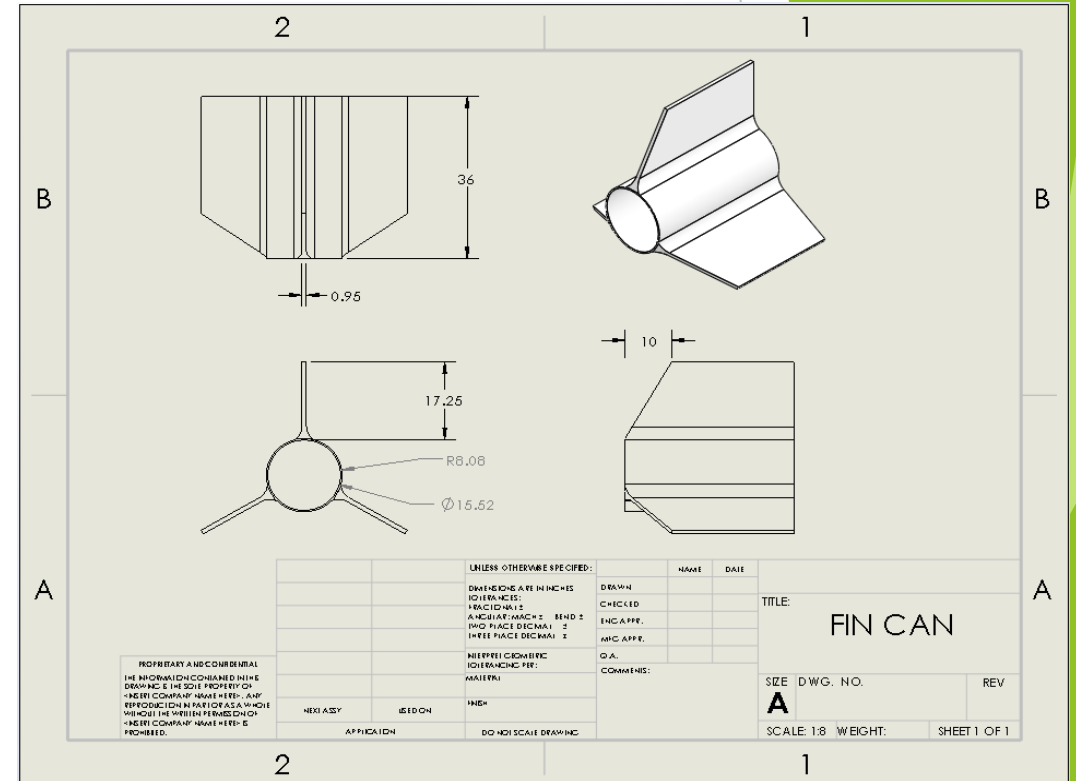
Fig 3A.3: Decision Matrix

Decisions

Materials and Justifications



- ◆ Airframe: Fiberglass wrapped phenolic tubing vs. Carbon fiber tubing
- ◆ Fins: Ultem plastic vs. ABS plastic vs. PLA plastic
- ◆ Couplers: Phenolic tubing
- ◆ Nosecone: Fiberglass vs. PLA plastic
- ◆ Bulkheads: Wood
- ◆ Key Switches : SPDT Switch 11-3360
(Surplus Center)
- ◆ Battery Terminals : Keystone 1295
(Mouser Electronics)



Component Masses

Component	Weight (lb)
Nose Cone	2.50
Upper Body Tube	1.49
Payload	3.00
U-Bolts in Upper Body	0.18
Middle Body Tube	2.58
Coupler	0.65
Electronics Bay	1.50
Main parachute	1.02
U-Bolts in Middle Body	0.18
Shock Cord in Middle Body	0.30
Lower Body Tube	3.25
Motor Tube	0.60
Drogue Parachute	0.194
Shock Cord in Lower Body	0.30
U-Bolts in Lower Body	0.18
Motor	8.27
Fins	1.22
Total Weight	27.41
Simulation Mass	27.36

Major Calculations

- ◆ All calculations verified via OpenRocket simulation and by hand calculations

Static Stability Margin

2.85 cal (Meets the design goal between with $2.5 < SM < 3.5$)

Thrust to Weight Ratio

5.33 : 1

Center of Pressure

101.1 inches from nose

Center of Gravity

84.08 inches from nose

Rail Exit Velocity (from OpenRocket)

61.02 ft/s with a 12 ft long 1515 rail launch guide

Mission Performance calculations

Maximum velocity at touchdown

$$\text{one lbf} = 32.174049 \frac{\text{ft} \cdot \text{lbs}}{\text{s}^2}$$

total kinetic energy is 75ft-lbf therefore,

$$K_e = 75 \cdot 32.174049;$$

$$K_e = 2413.1 \frac{\text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{lbs}}{\text{s}^2}$$

to find the maximum velocity allowed at landing we use the equation

$$K_e = \frac{1}{2} \cdot m \cdot v^2$$

where m is the mass of the rocket and v is the velocity it is traveling. The mass of the rocket is 27.412 lbs and kinetic energy was given. using this equation it can be rearranged to solve for v.

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot K_e}{m}}$$

$$m = 27.412;$$
$$v = \text{sqrt}((2 \cdot K_e) / m);$$

The maximum velocity the rocket can be traveling when it hits the ground is $13.269 \frac{\text{ft}}{\text{s}}$ or 9.047 mph.

Kenetic energy by component

For the rocket when each component is seperated from the rocket but attached by shock cord they will have the same velocity. Given the mass of each component, and the velocity, the kenetic energy of each component can be calculated.

For the nose cone and upper body tube section the the Kenetic energy is:

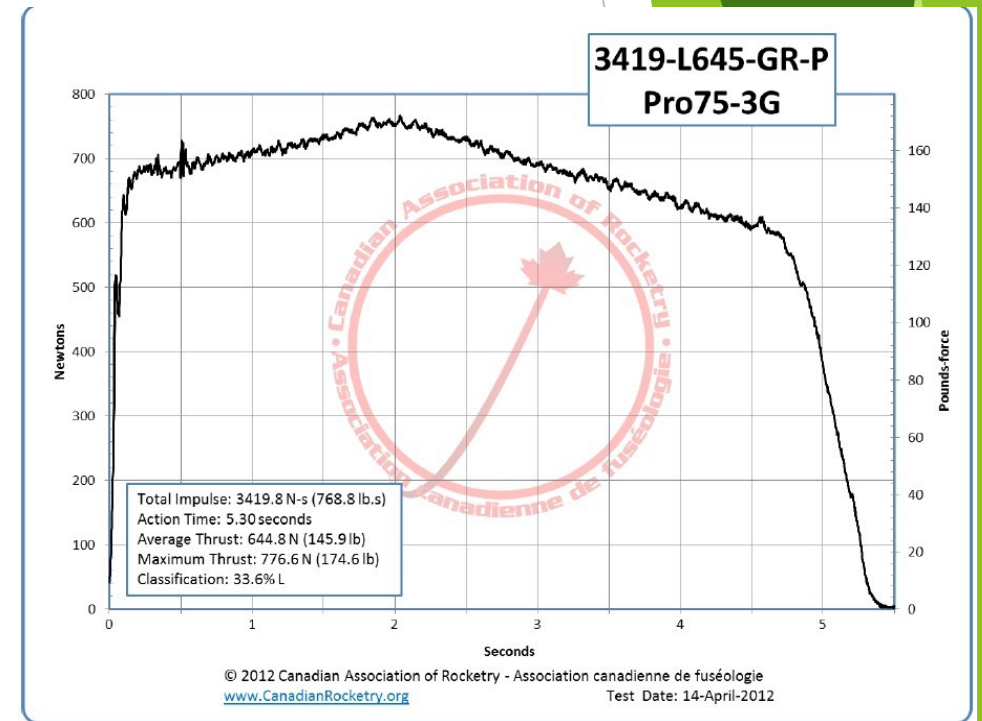
$$M_{cu} = 2.5 + 4.67;$$
$$K_{cu} = .5 \cdot M_{cu} \cdot (v^2);$$

The Kenetic energy of the nose cone/ upper tube will be $631.169 \frac{\text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{lbs}}{\text{s}^2}$ or 19.617 ft - lbf.

Where K_{cu} is the kenetic energy of the nose cone/upper body tube section and M_{cu} is the mass of the nose cone/upper tube section.

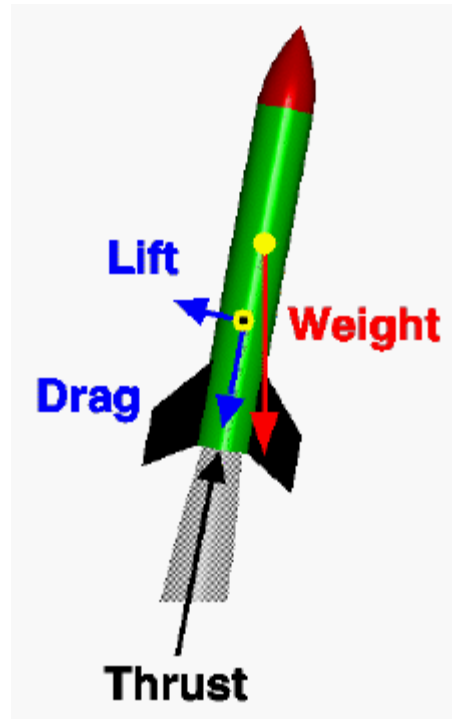
Preliminary Motor

- ◆ Motor Designation: CTI L645-P
- ◆ Max average thrust: 145.9 pounds
- ◆ Impulse of 3419 Newton-seconds over a burn time of 5.30 seconds
- ◆ Backup motor: L 1045-P
- ◆ Impulse of 3727 Newton-seconds



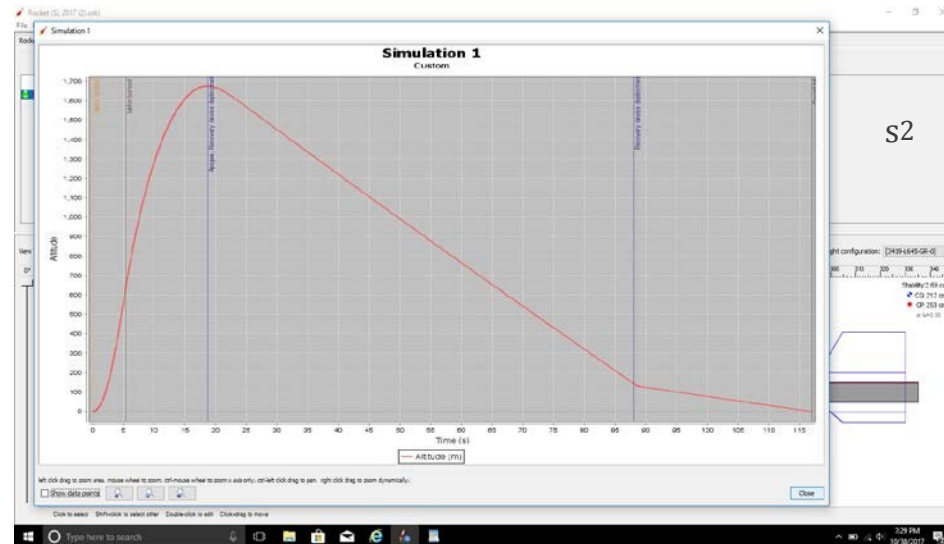
Justifications

- ◆ The main proposed motor should work due to the estimated 5% increase in weight of the rocket due to added supports, epoxy weight, and clay weight.
- ◆ Originally calculated point of apogee was 5504 feet but with the added weight it should be 5228 feet



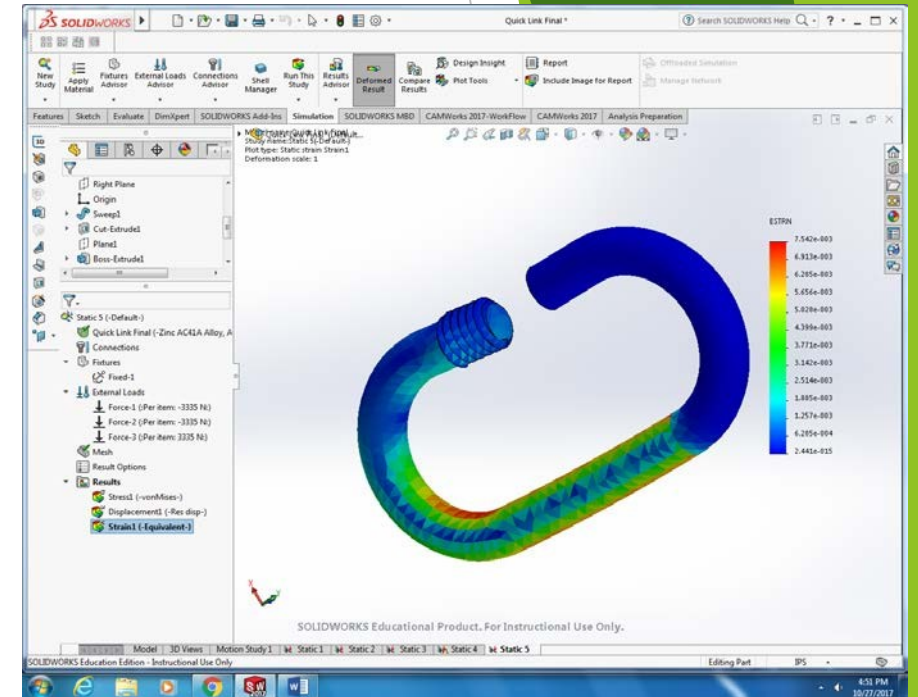
Recovery Subsystem

- ◆ 3.5g of black powder mass for both top and bottom sections respectively
- ◆ Force of Ejection: 755N
- ◆ Initial acceleration of front nose cone and payload section: 237.8
- ◆ Shock cord will be 4 times the length of the front body tube which is 38 inches long



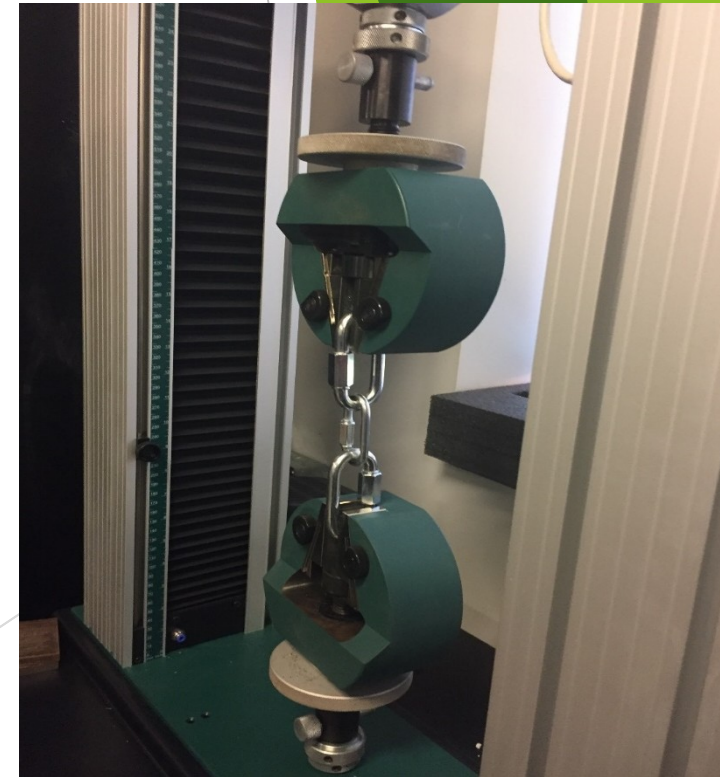
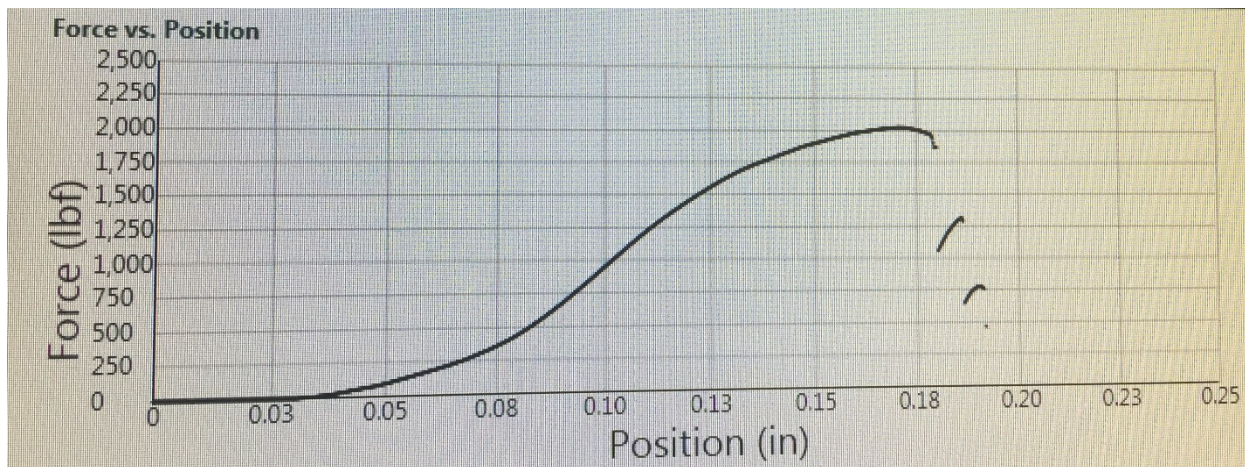
Recovery Subsystem: Components

- ◆ Quick links: Six, ¼ inch zinc coated
- ◆ Shock Cords: 1 inch Tubular Nylon
- ◆ U-bolts: Four, ¾ inch thick
- ◆ Drogue: 24 inches in diameter made by Fruity Chutes
- ◆ Main Parachute: 120 inches in diameter made by MediChutes



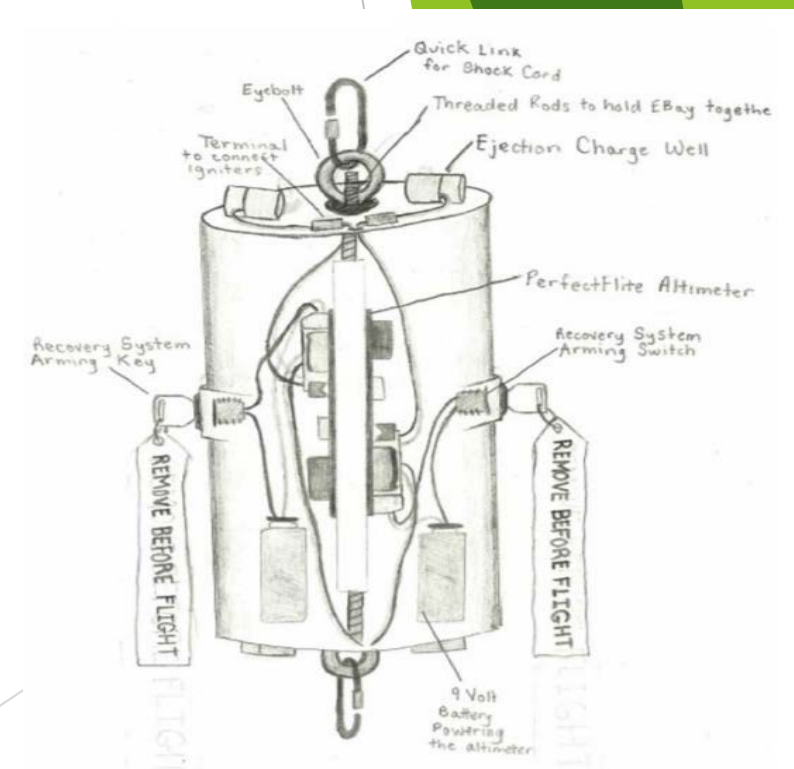
Justification

- ◆ Quick links: Able to withstand static forces up to 2030 pounds.
- ◆ Shock Cords: Yield of 4000 pounds and its less abrasive compared to Kevlar
- ◆ U-bolts: Yield of over 1000 pounds
- ◆ Drogue: Able to slow the rocket to terminal velocity
- ◆ Main Parachute: Calculations done to determine the size



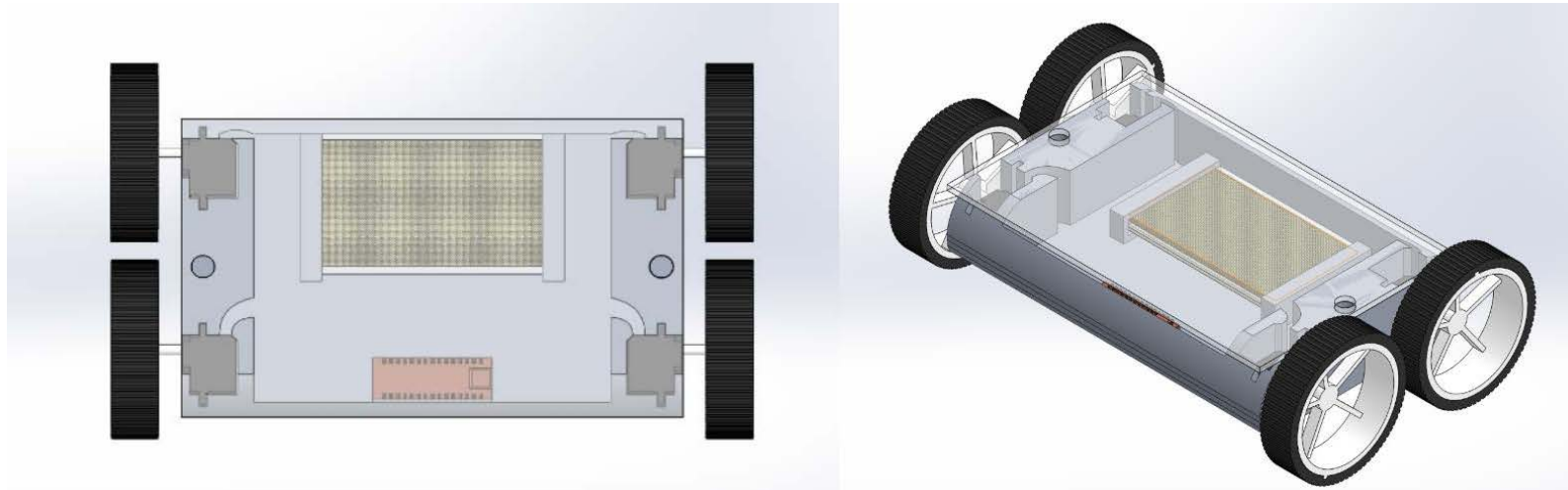
E-Bay: Recovery Electronics

- ◆ Altimeters: PerfectFliteStratologger
- ◆ Redundancy plan: 2 Altimeters in the E-bay, one main and one as backup
- ◆ Pad stay time: 3 hours, we will be using 9V batteries

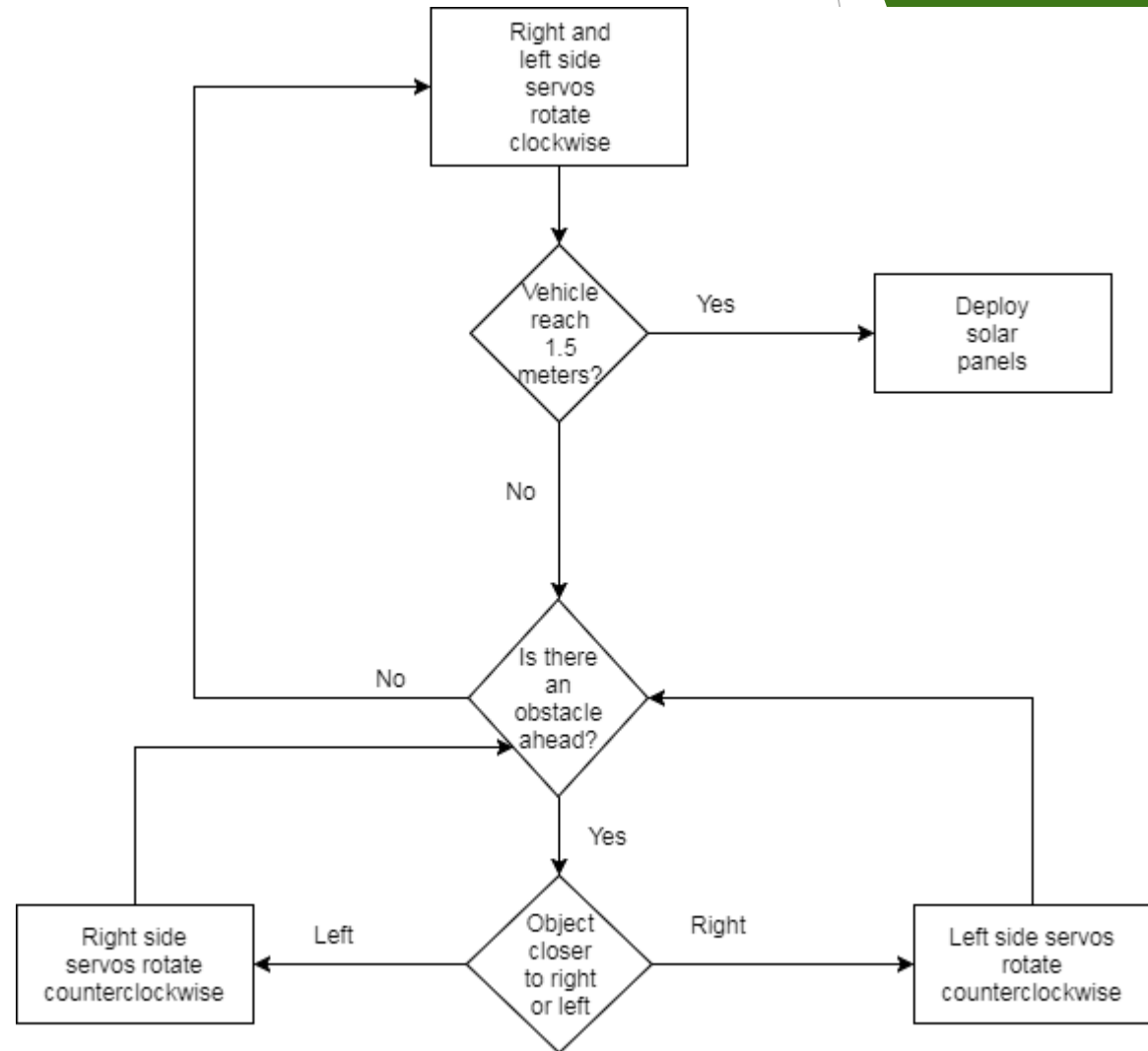
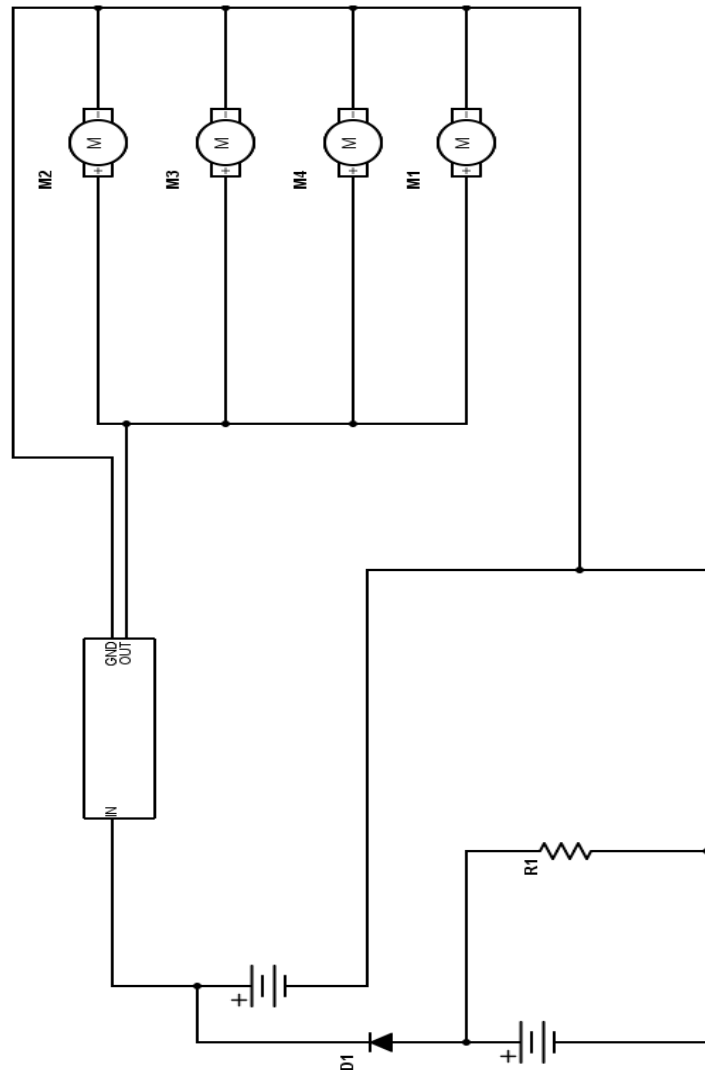


Preliminary Payload Design: Rover

- ◆ Electrical parts: Arduino Nano, Ultrasonic sensor, Servos, Voltage regulator, Solar panels, GPS
- ◆ Each wheel has a servo motor
- ◆ Gaps implemented in the top plate to cool the electronics

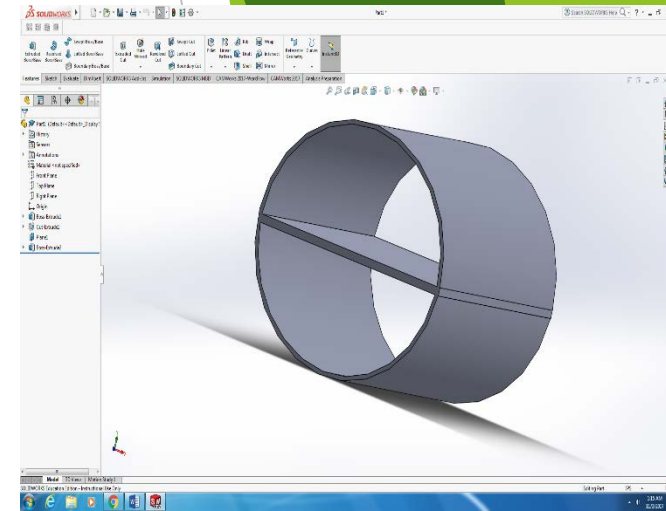


Preliminary Payload Design: Rover



Payload Integration

- The payload will be located in the 22 inch long front body tube section attached to the nose cone during flight
- After launch...
 - The nose cone and front body tube will become disconnected via the disconnection of an electromagnetic lock
 - The payload (rover) will be gently pushed out the front of the body tube by a series of solenoids located on the back bulkhead of the front body tube
 - The payload will then be able to perform its required functions
- The payload will fit within the front body tube and will be locked in place by its size
 - The board as seen below will be constructed to keep the payload from shifting around side to side during flight (may be reconfigured based on testing results)
 - Testing will take place with a mock payload to ensure that design functionality will work before CDR



Requirement Compliance Plan

6.1 - Verification Plan			
General Requirements	Verify	Plan	
Students on the team will do 100% of the project, including design, construction, written reports, presentations, and flight preparation with the exception of assembling the motors and handling black powder or any variant of ejection charges, or preparing and installing ejection charges, to be done by the team's mentor.	Demonstration	Each component of the rocket has been divided between the team members.	
The team will provide and maintain a project plan to include, but not limited to the following items: project milestones, budget and community support, checklist, personnel assigned, educational engagement events, and risks and mitigations.	Demonstration	Project plan included in the PDR.	
Foreign National (FN) team members must be identified by the primary design review (PDR) and may or may not have access to certain activities during launch week due to security restrictions. In addition, FN's may be separated from their team during these activities.	N/A	N/A	
The team must identify all team members attending launch week activities by the Critical Design Review (CDR). Team members will include 3.4.1. Students actively engaged in the project throughout the entire year. 3.4.2. One mentor (see requirement 3.34). 3.4.3. No more than two adult educators.	Demonstration	The final list will be presented in the CDR.	
The team will engage a minimum of 200 participants in educational, hands-on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) activities, as defined in the Educational Engagement Activity Report, by FRP. An educational engagement activity report will be completed and submitted within two weeks after completion of an event. A sample of the educational engagement activity report can be found on page 31 of the handbook. To satisfy this requirement, all events must occur between project acceptance and the lift off due date.	Demonstration	We have arranged to work with the York County Day school where we will be holding demonstrations and workshops.	
The team will develop and test a Web site for project documentation.	Demonstration	The website has already been created. www.ycpredecketyerfly.com	
Teams will post, and make available for download, the required deliverables to the team Web site by the due dates specified in the project timeline.	Demonstration	The proposal was added when it was due and the PDR will also be added by due date.	
All deliverables must be in PDF format.	Demonstration	All files will be converted to PDF format.	
In every report, teams will provide a table of contents including major sections and their respective subsections.	Demonstration	Table of contents has been included.	
In every report, the team will include the page number at the bottom of the page.	Demonstration	Page number has been included.	
The team will provide any computer equipment necessary to perform a video teleconference with the review panel. This includes, but is not limited to, a computer system, video camera, speaker telephone, and a broadband internet connection. Cellular phones can be used for speakerphone capability only as a last resort.	Demonstration	York College of PA I.L. department has arranged for all the necessary equipment for the teleconference.	
All teams will be required to use the Launch pads provided by Student Launch's launch service provider. No custom pads will be permitted on the launch field. Launch vehicles will have 90, 1000 rads, and 6 and 12 ft, 55.5 rads available for use.	Demonstration	We will be using 12 ft 15 x 15 pad.	
Teams must implement the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board Electronic and Information Technology (ITS) Accessibility Standards (50 CFR Part 134) Subpart B Technical Standards (https://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx2015/134-22 Software applications and operating systems, 134-22 Web-based internet and internet information and applications.	Demonstration	We will allow any person that is interested in joining our team the ability to join as long as he/she is a part of York College of PA.	
Each team must identify a "mentor." A mentor is defined as an adult who is included as a team member, who will be supporting the team (or multiple teams) throughout the project year, and may or may not be affiliated with the school, institution, or organization. The mentor must maintain a current certification, and be in good standing through the National Association of Rocketry (NAR) or Tripoli Rocketry Association (TRA) for the motor impulse of the launch vehicle and must have flown and successfully recovered (using electronic, staged recovery) a minimum of 2 flights in every or a higher impulse class, prior to CDR. The mentor is designated as the individual owner of the rocket for liability purposes and must travel with the team to launch week. One travel stipend will be provided per mentor regardless of the number of teams he or she supports. The stipend will only be provided if the team passes PDR and the team and mentor attend launch week as a part.	Demonstration	Our mentor is Dr. Discon who is a mechanical engineering professor here at York College of PA.	
Pressure vessels on the vehicle will be approved by the KSO and will meet the following criteria: 2.14.1. The minimum factor of safety (Burst or Ultimate pressure versus Max. Expected Operating Pressure) will be 4:1 with supporting design documentation included in all mission reports. 2.14.2. Each pressure vessel will include a pressure relief valve that sees the full pressure of the valve that is capable of withstanding the maximum pressure and flow rate of the tank.	N/A	N/A	
2.14.3. A full pedigree of the tank will be described, including the supplier for which the tank was designed, and the history of the tank, including the number of pressure cycles put on the tank, by whom, and when.	Analysis	We plan on using an L-class motor.	
The total impulse provided by a College and/or University launch vehicle will not exceed 3.120 Newton-seconds (L-class).	Analysis	We plan on using an L-class motor.	
The launch vehicle will have a minimum static stability margin of 2.0 at the point of "all-out" until a deflated point where the forward rail button loses contact with the rail.	Demonstration Testing	Our current calculations in both the simulation and by hand have our rocket with a stability margin of 2.0.	
The launch vehicle will accelerate to a minimum velocity of 52 ft/s at rail exit.	Demonstration Testing	Our current calculations in both the simulation and by hand have our rocket with a rail exit velocity of 62.00 ft/s.	
All teams will successfully launch and recover a subscale model of their rocket prior to CDR. Subscale are not required to be high power systems. 2.18.1. The subscale model should resemble and perform as similarly as possible to the full-scale model, however, the full-scale will not be used as the subscale model. 2.18.2. The subscale model will carry an altimeter capable of reporting the model's apogee altitude.	Demonstration	We plan on launching a subscale rocket before the CDR to the altimeters can be tested.	
All teams will successfully launch and recover their full-scale rocket prior to FRP in its final configuration. The motor flown in FRP must be the same rocket to be flown on launch day. The purpose of the full-scale demonstration flight is to demonstrate the launch vehicle's stability, structural integrity, recovery systems, and the team's ability to prepare the launch vehicle for flight. A successful flight is defined as a launch in which all hardware is functioning properly (i.e. drogue chute at apogee, main chute at a lower altitude, parachuting bracing device, etc.). The following criteria must be met during the full-scale demonstration flight: 2.19.1. The vehicle and recovery systems will have functioned as designed. 2.19.2. The payload that was not to be returned during the full-scale test flight. The following requirements still apply: 2.19.2.1. If the payload is not flown, mass stingers will be used to simulate the payload mass.	Demonstration	The team plans to test launch the MIRA February and March Launches which will occur before the FRP run in.	
The launch vehicle will stage the deployment of its recovery devices, where a drogue parachute is deployed at apogee and a main parachute is deployed at a lower altitude. Tumblers or streamer recovery lose apogee to main parachute deployment is also permissible, provided that kinetic energy during drogue-stage descent is reasonable, as defined by the following criteria: Each team must perform a successful ground ejection test for both the drogue and main parachutes. The test must be done prior to the initial subscale and full-scale launches. At landing, each independent section of the launch vehicle will have a maximum kinetic energy of 75 J (5.16 ft-lb). The recovery system electrical circuits will be completely independent of any payload electrical circuits. All recovery electronics will be powered by commercially available batteries. 2.19.2.1.1. The mass stingers will be located in the same approximate location on the rocket as the moving payload mass.	Demonstration Testing Calculations	This system will be set up through redundancy of the altimeter's wireless electronics bay. We will perform ground ejection testing here at York College to ensure that the ejection charge masses are sufficient for the launch vehicle. The electronics bay will be independent of any payload and other circuits. The electronics bay will be powered by a commercially available battery. There will be 3 altimeters in the electronics bay to provide redundancy. Removable shroud pins will be used for both the main parachute compartment and the drogue parachute compartment. Recovery area will be limited to a 2000 ft radius from the launch pads.	
If at landing, each independent section of the launch vehicle will have a maximum kinetic energy of 75 J (5.16 ft-lb).	Demonstration Calculations	As seen in section 3C, the kinetic energy of each section is less than 75 ft-lb.	
The recovery system electrical circuits will be completely independent of any payload electrical circuits.	Demonstration Construction	The electronics bay will be independent of any payload and other circuits.	
All recovery electronics will be powered by commercially available batteries.	Demonstration Construction	The electronics bay will be powered by a commercially available battery.	
2.19.2.1.1. The mass stingers will be located in the same approximate location on the rocket as the moving payload mass.	Demonstration Construction	There will be 3 altimeters in the electronics bay to provide redundancy.	
If at landing, each independent section of the launch vehicle will have a maximum kinetic energy of 75 J (5.16 ft-lb) or the payload changes the aerodynamic surface of the rocket (e.g. with streamer recovery or extra probes) or merges the total energy of the vehicle, these systems will be active during the full-scale demonstration flight.	N/A	N/A	
The full-scale motor will not be flown during the full-scale test flight. However, it is recommended that the full-scale motor be used to demonstrate full flight readiness and altitude verification. If the full-scale motor is not flown during the full-scale flight, it is required that the motor simulate, as closely as possible, the predicted maximum velocity and maximum acceleration of the launch day flight.	Demonstration	The full-scale motor will be flown during full scale flight testing.	
The vehicle must be flown in its fully ballasted configuration during the full-scale test flight. Fully ballasted refers to the same amount of ballast that will be flown during the launch day flight. Additional ballast may not be added without a re-flight of the full-scale launch vehicle. After successfully completing the full-scale demonstration flight, the launch vehicle or any of its components will not be modified without the concurrence of the MIRA large safety officer (LSO).	Demonstration	The rocket will not be modified after full-scale testing.	
The rocket will be flown before March 9 th , 2016.	Demonstration	The rocket will be flown before March 9 th , 2016.	
Any structural protrusion on the rocket will be located at or to the forward center of gravity.	N/A	Agree	
Vehicle imbalances.	N/A	Agree	
The launch vehicle will not utilize forward canards.	N/A	Agree	
The launch vehicle will not utilize forward fins.	N/A	Agree	
The launch vehicle will not utilize motors that emit flammatory vapors (sparky, blackmark, MadMaximus, etc.)	N/A	Agree	
The launch vehicle will not utilize hybrid motors.	N/A	Agree	
The launch vehicle will not utilize a cluster of motors.	N/A	Agree	
The launch vehicle will not utilize friction fitting for motors.	Demonstration	The team will use a motor volume for motor retention charges.	
The launch vehicle will not exceed Mach 1 at any point during flight.	Demonstration	The rocket will not exceed Mach 1 and will reach a maximum speed of Mach 0.87.	
Vehicle ballast will not exceed 10% of the total weight of the rocket.	Demonstration	The vehicle ballast will not exceed 10% of the total weight of the rocket.	
After deployment, the cover will automatically move at least 5 ft in any direction from the launch vehicle.	Demonstration Wiring	The cover will be programmed as and Arduino to move at least 5 feet away from the rocket while also blocking any obstacles.	
Once the cover has reached its final destination, it will deploy a set of foldable solar panels.	Demonstration	ARF will use sensor recognition to reach its target destination. A set of solar panels will open up after the cover reaches its final destination.	
After test flights, teams will provide a table of contents including major sections and their respective subsections.	N/A	N/A	
Each team will use a launch and safety checklist. The final checklist will be included in the FRP report and used during the Launch Readiness Review (LRR) and any launch day operations.	Demonstration	A safety and launch checklist are in the process of being constructed. They will be completed by FRP at the latest.	
Each team must identify a student safety officer who will be responsible for a launch mission. The role and responsibilities of each safety officer will include, but not limited to: S3.1. Monitor team activities with an emphasis on safety during flight. S3.1.1. Design of vehicle and payload. S3.1.2. Construction of vehicle and payload. S3.1.3. Assembly of vehicle and payload. S3.1.4. Grounding of vehicle and payload. S3.1.5. Sub-scale launch tests. S3.1.6. Full-scale launch tests. S3.1.7. Launch day. S3.1.8. Recovery activities. S3.1.9. Educational/Engagement Activities.	Demonstration Construction	Our assigned safety officer is Jacob LeBout.	
Impaired procedures developed by the team for construction, assembly, launch, and recovery activities.	Demonstration	Each team must identify a student safety officer who will be responsible for a launch mission. The role and responsibilities of each safety officer will include, but not limited to: S3.1. Monitor team activities with an emphasis on safety during flight. S3.1.1. Design of vehicle and payload. S3.1.2. Construction of vehicle and payload. S3.1.3. Assembly of vehicle and payload. S3.1.4. Grounding of vehicle and payload. S3.1.5. Sub-scale launch tests. S3.1.6. Full-scale launch tests. S3.1.7. Launch day. S3.1.8. Recovery activities. S3.1.9. Educational/Engagement Activities.	
Manage and maintain current versions of the team's hazard analyses, failure modes analyses, procedures, and MSD/chemical inventory data.	Completed	MSD Sheets are currently posted in the team workspace.	
During test flights, teams will provide a table of contents including major sections and their respective subsections. Teams will also provide a table of contents including major sections and their respective subsections.	Demonstration	We will listen to this table and be a part of the MIRA launch week activities and provide a table of contents including major sections and their respective subsections. Teams will also provide a table of contents including major sections and their respective subsections.	
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