

# GIT LIT

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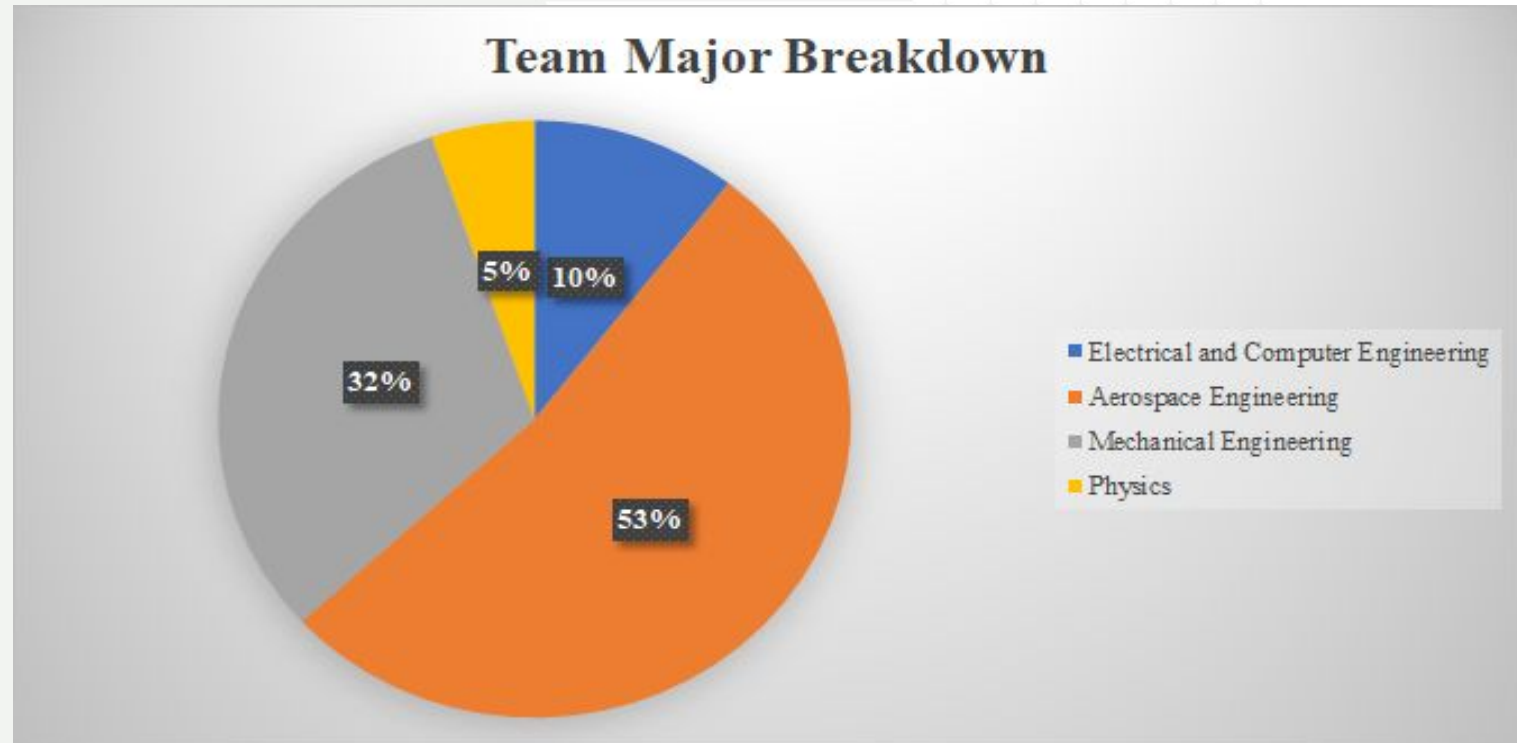
# AGENDA

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2. Educational Outreach (3 Min)
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4. Project Budget (3 Min)
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8. Flight Systems (10 Min)
9. Questions (15 Min)

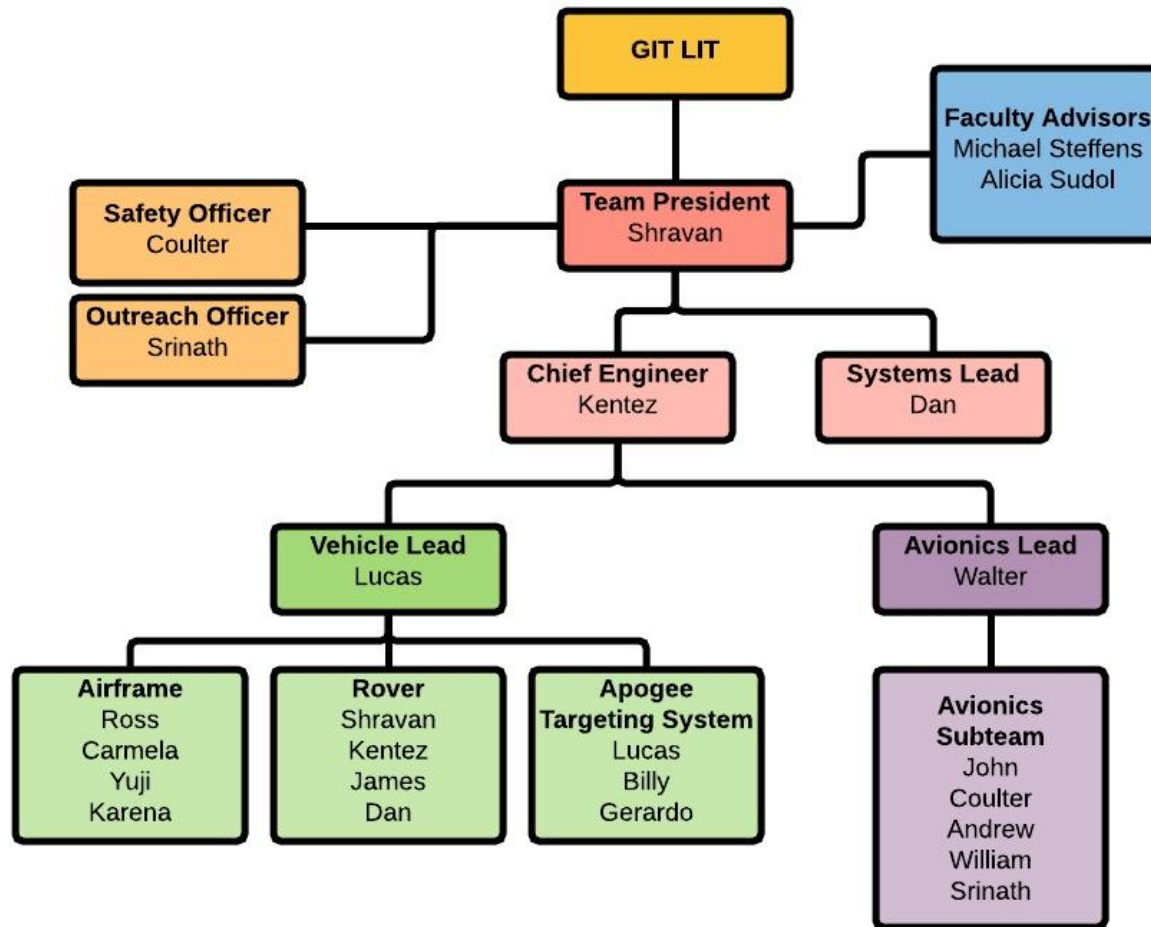
# Team Overview

# GIT LIT Team Overview

- 19 person team composed of undergraduate students
- Representing all four class standings and four majors



# Team Breakdown



# Educational Outreach



# Educational Outreach

1. Peachtree Charter Middle School
2. Boy Scout Merit Badges
3. CEISMC GT (Center for Education Integrating Science, Mathematics and Computing)
4. Atlanta Science Festival



# Safety



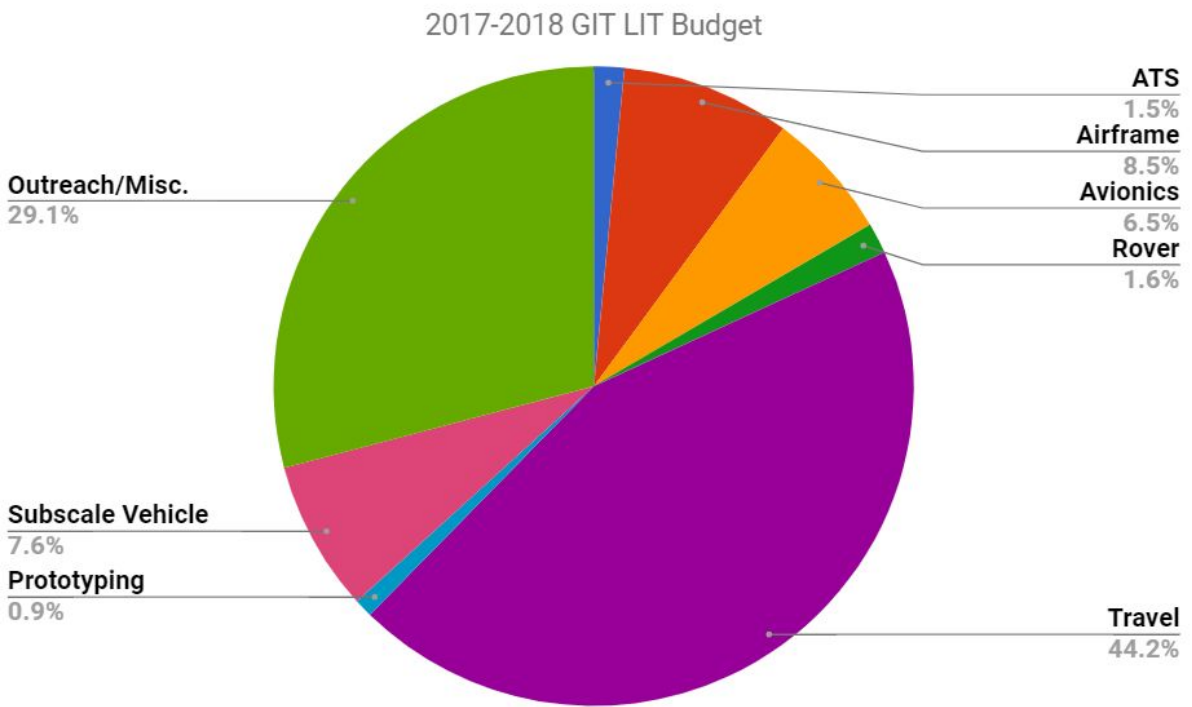
- Hazard Identification
  - What has the potential to become a safety hazard?
- Risk and Hazard Assessment
  - What are the potential consequences of the hazard?
- Risk Control and Mitigation
  - What can be done to mitigate the risk?
- Reviewing Assessments
  - Are the mitigations working?

# Project Budget

# Project Budget Summary



| Category         | Cost       |
|------------------|------------|
| ATS              | \$113.10   |
| Airframe         | \$632.19   |
| Avionics         | \$479.95   |
| Rover            | \$115.00   |
| Travel           | \$3,268.00 |
| Prototyping      | \$69.74    |
| Subscale Vehicle | 563.67     |
| Outreach/Misc.   | \$2,152.71 |
| Total            | \$7,394.36 |



# Project Funding



| <i>Sponsor</i>                               | <i>Contribution</i>      | <i>Date</i>   |
|--|--------------------------|---------------|
| 2016-2017 Unused Funds                       | \$1,775.23               | --            |
| Georgia Space Grant Consortium               | \$4,000                  | November 2017 |
| Alumni Donations                             | \$200 (est.)             | December 2017 |
| Georgia Tech School of Aerospace Engineering | \$2,500 (est.)           | November 2017 |
| Corporate Donations                          | \$1,000 (est.)           | January 2017  |
| Orbital ATK Travel Stipend                   | \$400 (est.)             | April 2017    |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>\$9,875.23 (est.)</b> |               |

# Launch Vehicle



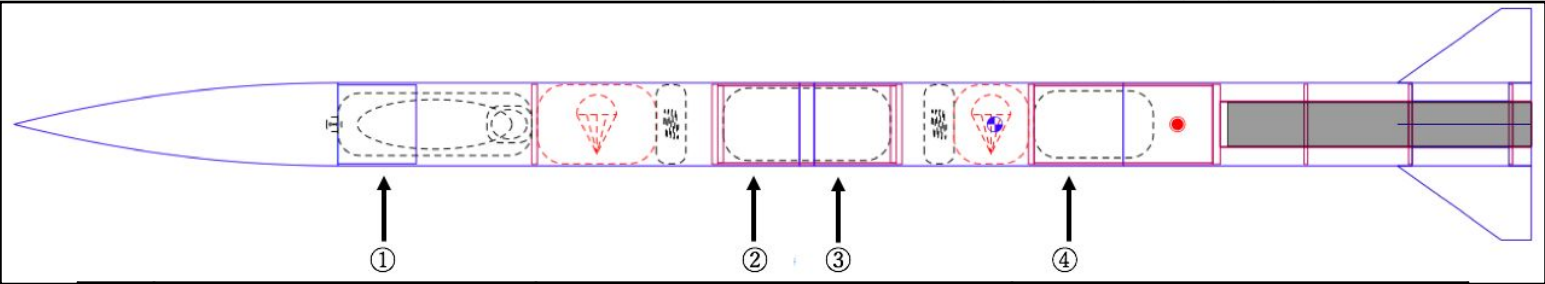
# Launch Vehicle

Booster Overview

| Property        | Value                    |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Diameter        | 2.95 in (75.0 mm)        |
| Length          | 20.87 in (530.10 mm)     |
| Total mass      | 136.72 oz (3876 g)       |
| Propellant mass | 69.60 oz (1973 g)        |
| Average Thrust  | 305.63 lbs (1359.49 N)   |
| Maximum Thrust  | 370.90 lbs (1649.83 N)   |
| Total Impulse   | 887 lbf · s (3946 N · s) |
| Burn time       | 2.91 s                   |

Mass Breakdown

| Section         | Gross Mass (oz) | Length (in) |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Nose Cone       | 20.96           | 21.75       |
| Rover Section   | 142.34          | 31.00       |
| Avionics Bay    | 84.62           | 12.75       |
| ATS Section     | 83.18           | 20.75       |
| Booster Section | 258.57          | 27.40       |
| Total           | 589.67          | 101.9       |



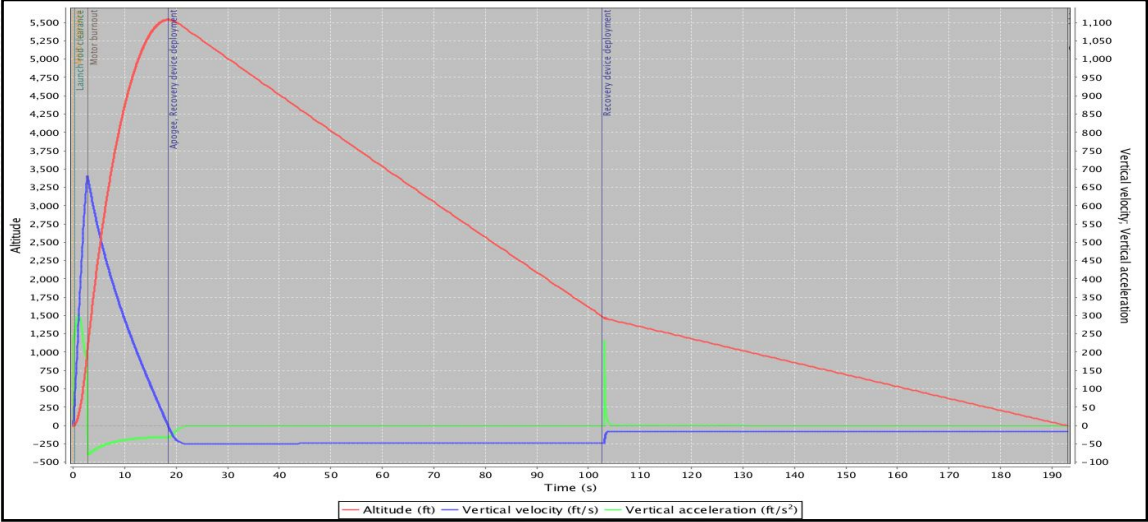
| No. | Location                  | Separation Mode                  | Separation Event            |
|-----|---------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1   | Nose Cone + Rover Tube    | Supporting beams from rover tube | Rover deployment            |
| 2   | Rover Tube - Avionics Bay | Shear Pins                       | Main parachute deployment   |
| 3   | Avionics Bay - ATS Tube   | Shear Pins                       | Drogue parachute deployment |
| 4   | ATS Tube + Booster Stage  | Rivets                           | Not applicable              |

# Flight Ascent Performance



## Flight Performance

| Property               | Value                 |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Center of Gravity      | 65.879 in             |
| Center of Pressure     | 78.148 in             |
| Apogee altitude        | 5532 ft               |
| Maximum velocity       | 679 ft/s              |
| Maximum acceleration   | 237 ft/s <sup>2</sup> |
| Rail exit velocity     | 70.3 ft/s             |
| Thrust-to-weight ratio | 8.39                  |
| Ground hit velocity    | 12.0 ft/s             |



1) Motor burning

$$y_b = \frac{\alpha}{M_{avg}} \ln \left| \cosh \left( \frac{\sqrt{\alpha\beta}}{M_{avg}} t_b \right) \right|$$

2) Coasting

$$y_{max} = y_b + \int_{t_b}^{t_{max}} \sqrt{\frac{M_c g}{\beta}} \tan \left( \sqrt{\frac{\beta g}{M_c}} (t_b - t) + \arctan \left( \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{M_c g}} v_b \right) \right) dt$$

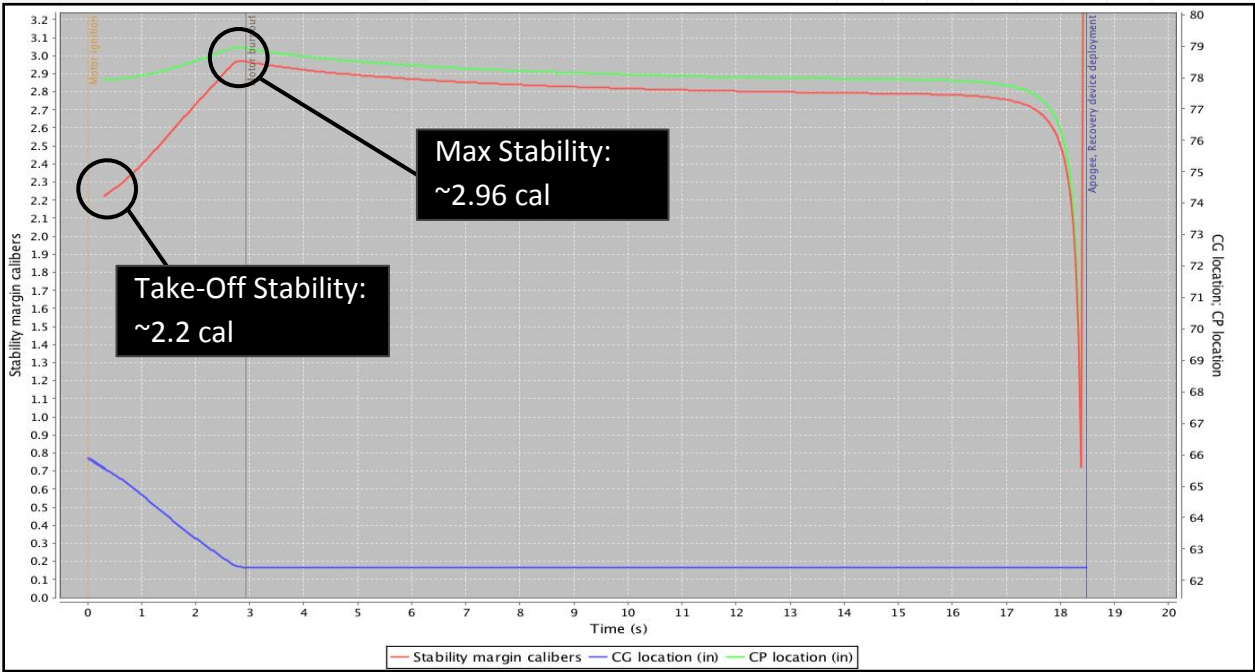
# Flight Drift



Drift distance of the launch vehicle due to different wind speeds

| Wind speed (ft/s) | Drift distance (ft) |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 0                 | 0                   |
| 5                 | 722.5               |
| 10                | 1445                |
| 15                | 2167.5              |

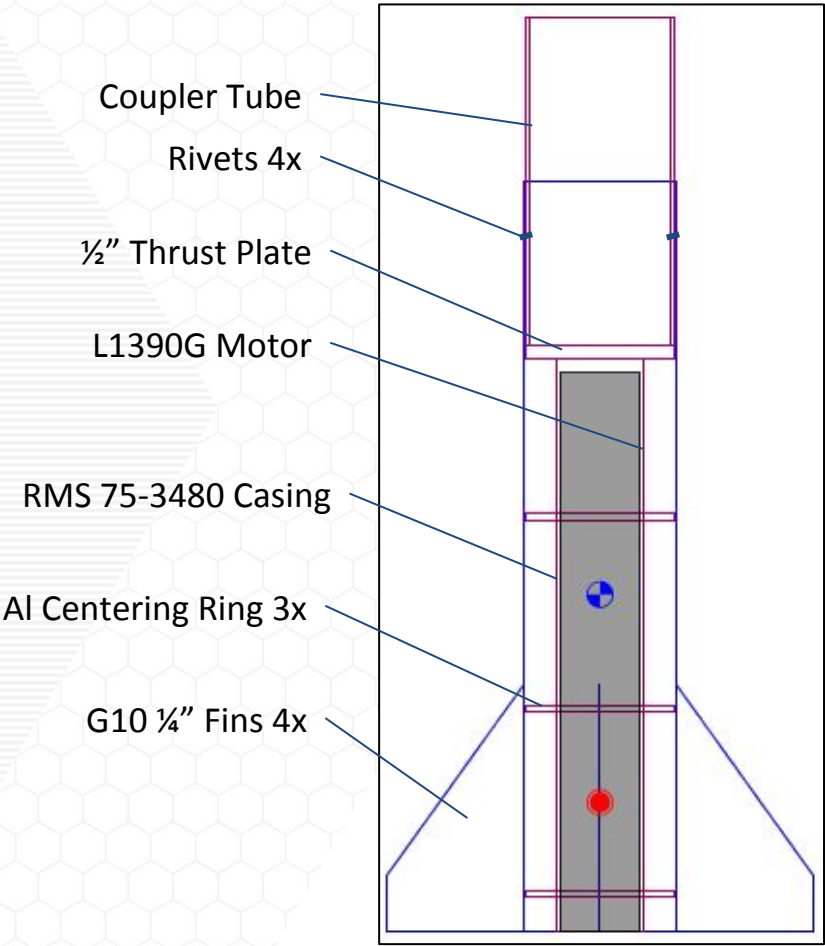
Drift distance = Wind speed \* (t<sub>landing</sub> - t<sub>apogee</sub>)



# Booster Section Overview (4)

Mass Breakdown by Component

| Component                        | Material          | Mass (oz) | Location        |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Coupler                          | G12 fiberglass    | 22.00     | 0.00            |
| Body tube                        | G12 Fiberglass    | 46.80     | 6.00            |
| Thrust plate                     | G10 Fiberglass    | 4.13      | 12.00           |
| Motor mount tube                 | White kraft paper | 6.76      | 12.50           |
| Centering ring                   | 6061-alum         | 1.35      | 18.25,<br>25.25 |
| Fin                              | G10 Fiberglass    | 9.50      | 31.90           |
| Retention ring                   | 6061-alum         | 1.35      | 24.40           |
| Motor (with propellant & casing) | N/A               | 136.83    | 13              |

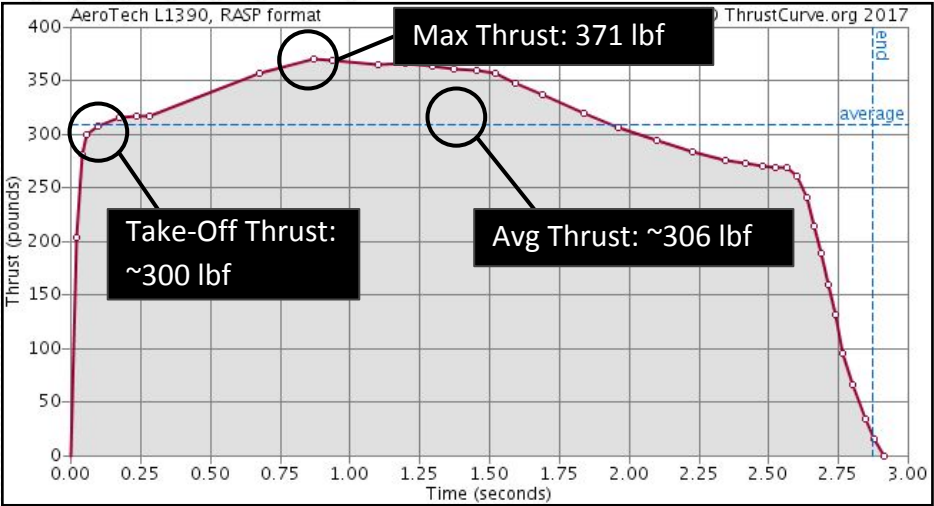


# Motor Selection Process



Motor Simulation Results

| Motor name               | Total impulse             | Vehicle mass (oz) |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| AeroTech L1150           | 784 lbf · s (3489 N · s)  | 501               |
| Cesaroni L890SS          | 831 lbf · s (3695 N · s)  | 547               |
| AeroTech L1520TP         | 847 lbf · s (3769 N · s)  | 557               |
| AeroTech L1390G          | 887 lbf · s (3946 N · s)  | 593               |
| Cesaroni L1355SS         | 905 lbf · s (4025 N · s)  | 622               |
| Cesaroni L1350           | 962 lbf · s (4280 N · s)  | 656               |
| AeroTech L1420           | 1038 lbf · s (4616 N · s) | 726               |
| Animal Motor Wk. L1400SK | 1066 lbf · s (4741 N · s) | 751               |
| Cesaroni L2375-WT        | 1103 lbf · s (4905 N · s) | 790               |
| AeroTech L2200G          | 1147 lbf · s (5104 N · s) | 833               |



AeroTech L1390 G-P Specifications

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Flight performance with 3 Different Motors

| Property                                  | L850W | L1150P | L1390G-P |
|---|-------|--------|----------|
| Apogee altitude (ft)                      | 5090  | 4732   | 5535     |
| Rail exit velocity (ft/s)                 | 61.8  | 67.7   | 70.3     |
| Maximum velocity (ft/s)                   | 585   | 600    | 679      |
| Maximum acceleration (ft/s <sup>2</sup> ) | 209   | 235    | 298      |
| Time to apogee (s)                        | 18.3  | 17.4   | 18.4     |



# Airframe Failure Modes and Effects Analysis

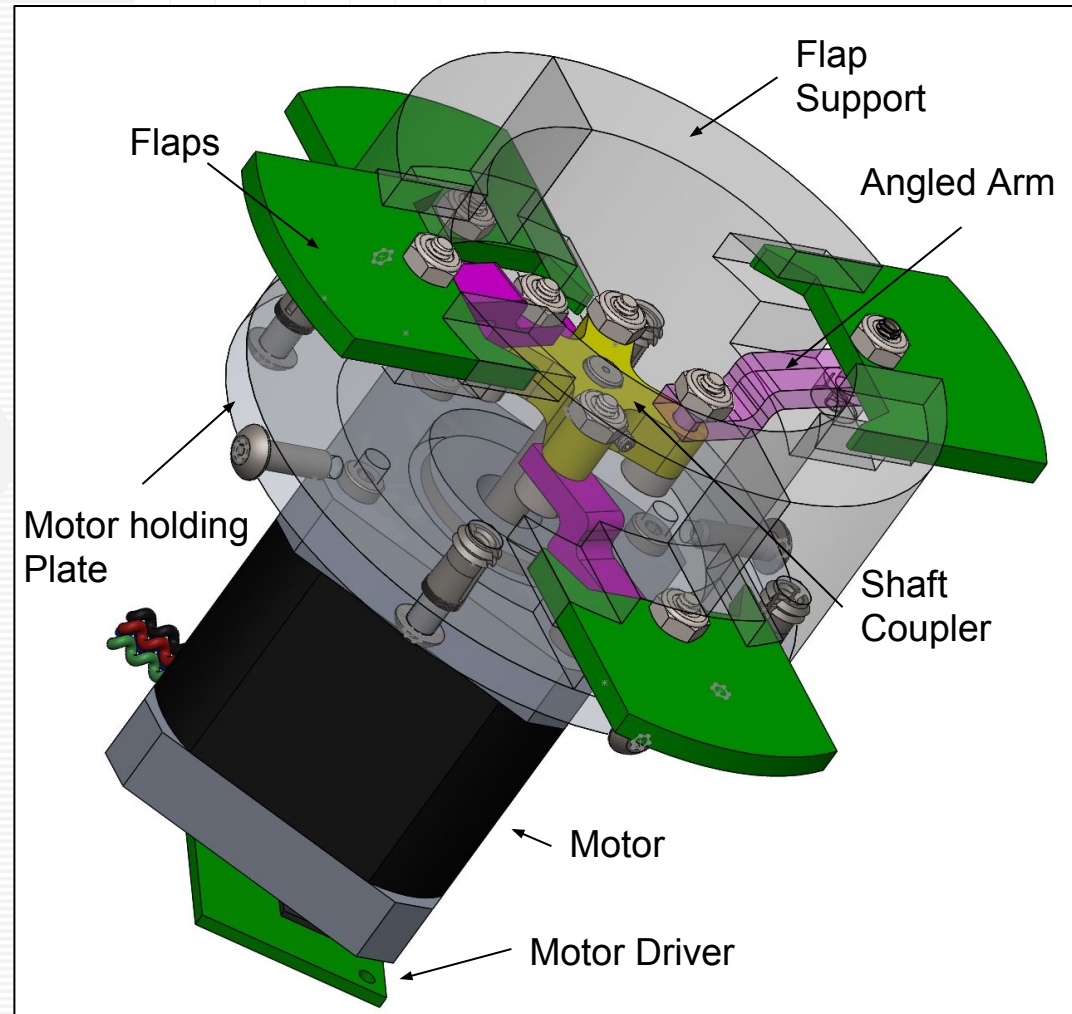
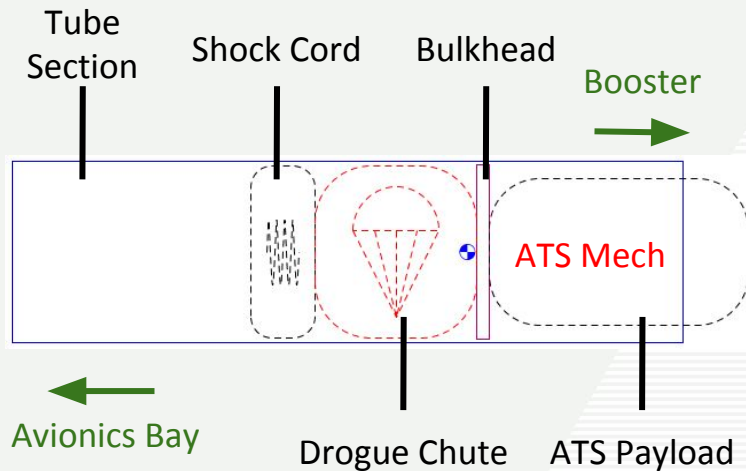
| Components      | Function  | Failure                            | Potential Causes   | Detection Method                                | Impact   | Severity (1 -3) | Detection Difficulty (1 -3) | Probability (1 - 3) | Risk (1-27) | Risk Priority Number (Risk/27) |
|-----------------|---|------------------------------------|--|---|--|-----------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| Bolts and nuts  | holds components  | threadlocker breaks and twists out | Vibration  | N/A   | Components may be disassembled; Due to imbalanced force, moment is created | 3               | 3                           | 3                   | 27          | 1.00000                        |
| Motor board     | received signal from Pi and actuates motor                    | cannot actuate motor               | Faulty Wiring  | Check wiring before flight                      | ATS is not actuated  | 2               | 1                           | 1                   | 2           | 0.07407                        |
|                 |   |                                    | Faulty Board   | Run simulation before flight to check the board | ATS is not actuated/ actuated at wrong time                                | 3               | 1                           | 1                   | 3           | 0.11111                        |
| Ring Connector  | connects motor driver to stepper motor                        | connection severs                  | vibration  | N/A   | ATS is not actuated  | 2               | 1                           | 3                   | 6           | 0.22222                        |
| Motor           | Provides thrust   | explosion                          | - motor manufacture error                                      | N/A   | - rocket disintegrates -rocket falls to the ground                         | 3               | 1                           | 1                   | 3           | 0.111111111                    |
|                 |   | no ignition                        | - ignition wire not connected properly to the motor            | N/A   | - rocket does not fly  | 3               | 1                           | 1                   | 3           | 0.111111111                    |
| Thrust plate    | Prevents the motor from damaging other sections of the rocket | structural integrity fails         | - material used to make thrust plate was already compromised   | N/A   | - motor shoots through rocket, damaging all systems                        | 3               | 1                           | 1                   | 3           | 0.111111111                    |
| Centering rings | Aligns the motor to the launch vehicle                        | all breaks during flight           | - epoxy failed<br>- material used did not have enough strength |   | - motor tilted, forcing the rocket to arc                                  | 2               |                             |                     | 0           | 0                              |
| Fins            | Provides aerodynamic forces to the rocket for stability       | fin(s) separate(s) during flight   | - epoxy failed   | N/A   | - the rocket losses stability<br>- the rocket may arc during flight        | 3               | 1                           | 2                   | 6           | 0.222222222                    |

# Payload - ATS

# Apogee Targeting System (ATS) Overview

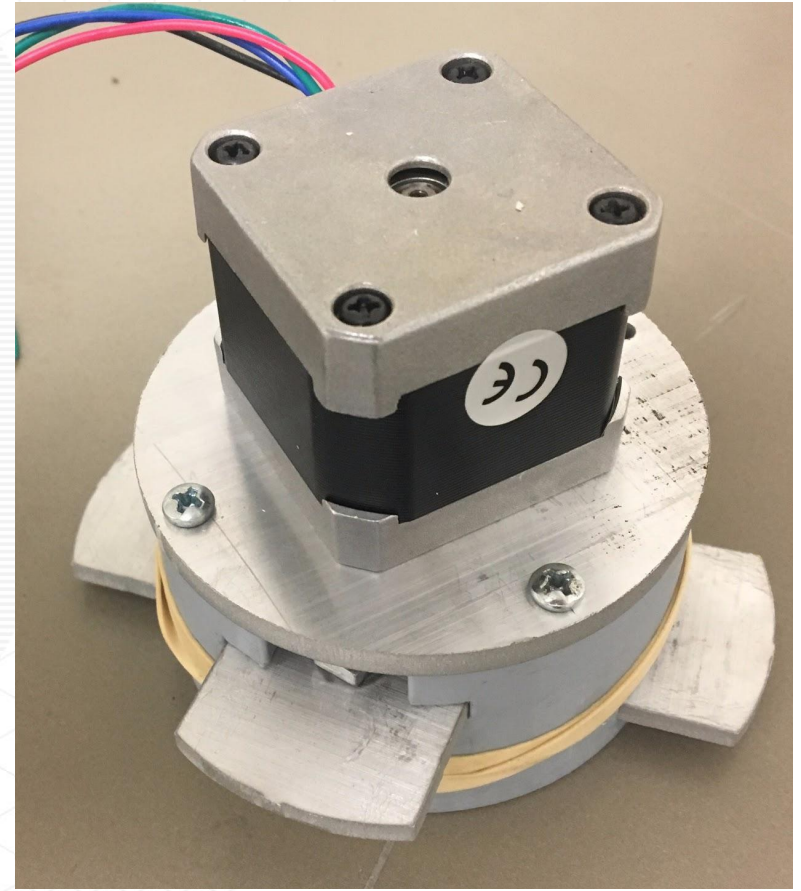
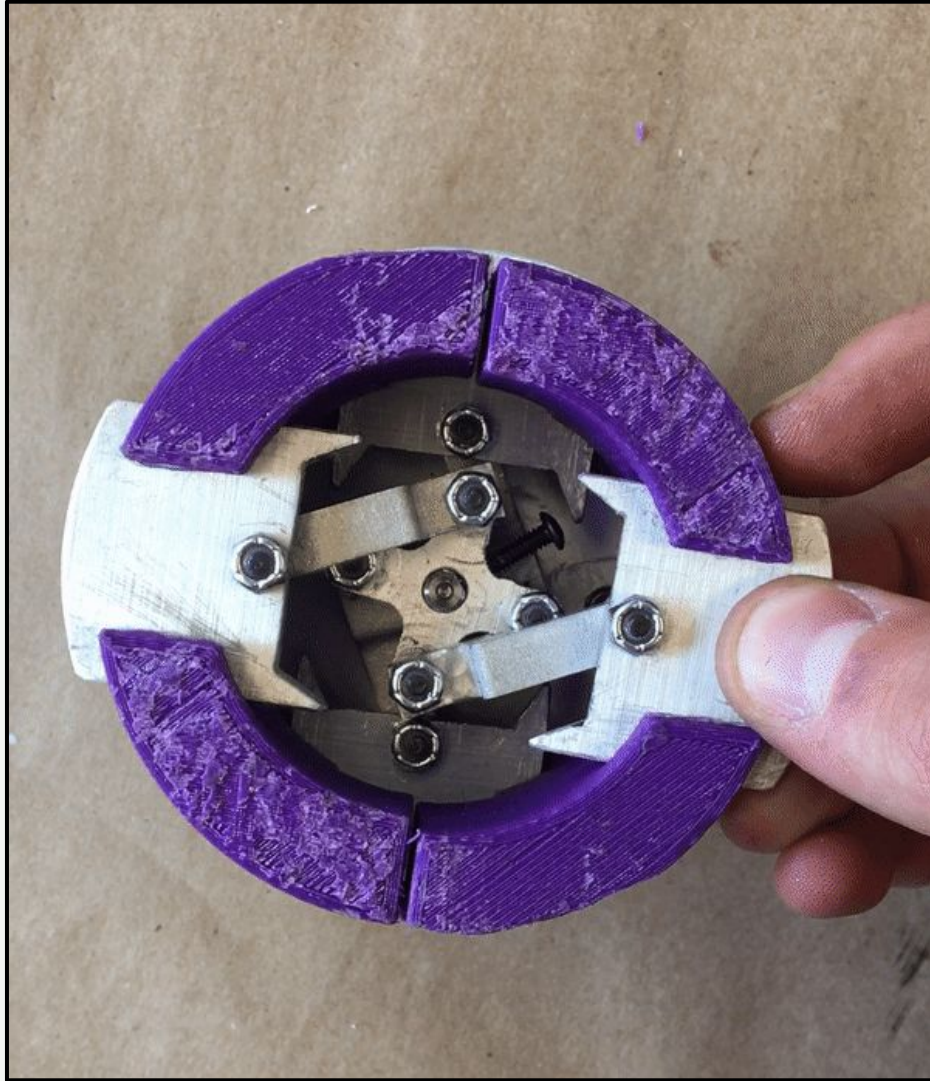
ATS Section Mass Breakdown

| Component    | Material       | Mass (oz) | Location (in) |
|--------------|----------------|-----------|---------------|
| Body tube    | G12 fiberglass | 35.50     | 0.00          |
| Drogue Chute | Ripstop nylon  | 2.54      | 9.375         |
| Shock cord   | Tubular nylon  | 3.44      | 7.375         |
| Bulkhead     | G10 fiberglass | 9.10      | 14.375        |
| ATS system   | N/A            | 32.60     | 14.75         |

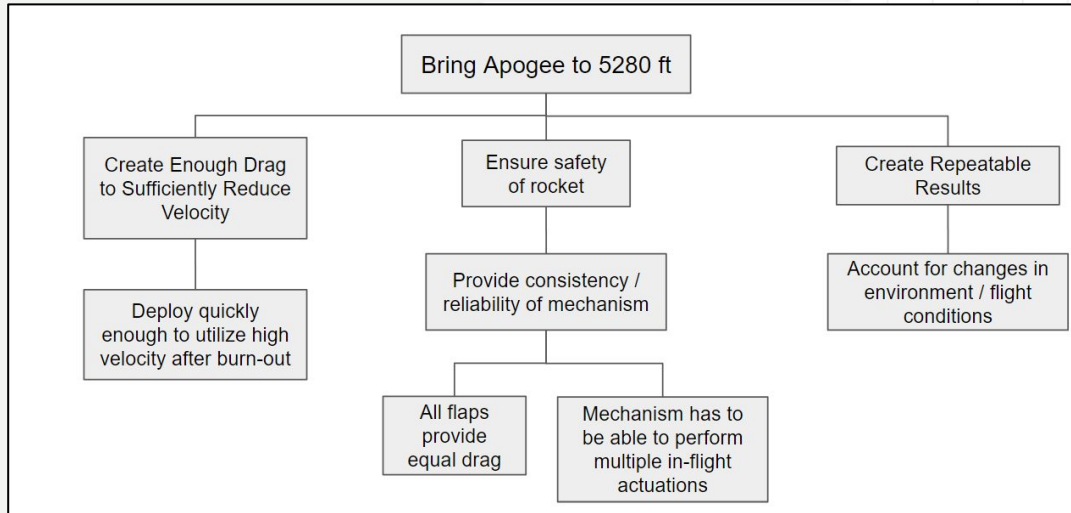




# Demonstration of Prototype



# ATS Concept Development & Evaluation



## Function Tree

- Show basic requirements for mechanism
- Sub-functions until most fundamental requirements reached

|   | Solutions  |  |   |
|---|--|--|---|
| Function  | 1  | 2  | 3   |
| Deploy quickly enough to utilize high velocity after burn-out     | Use high power DC motor  | Use pneumatic motor                                    | Use high powered servo motor                        |
| All flaps provide equal drag                                      | Use microcontroller to determine and adjust positions of the flaps | Make system that only can fully open or close the flap |   |
| Mechanism has to be able to perform multiple in-flight actuations | The motor must be bidirectional                                    | Battery large enough for several actuations            | Use compressed air tank to drive pneumatic actuator |
| Account for changes in environment / flight conditions            | Make velocity adjustment towards the end of coasting               | Maximize ballistic coeff                               |   |

## Solution Table

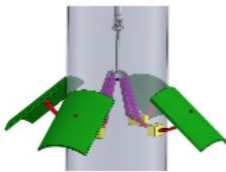
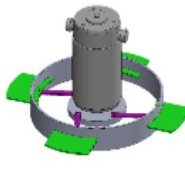
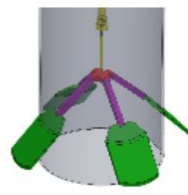
- Lists lowest-level sub-functions of the function tree
- Possible solutions to approach each function with a unique idea



# ATS Concept Evaluation

## Evaluation Matrix

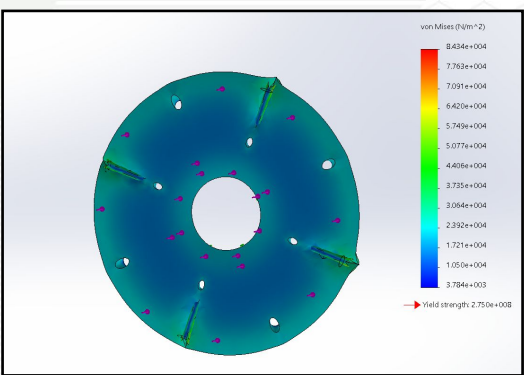
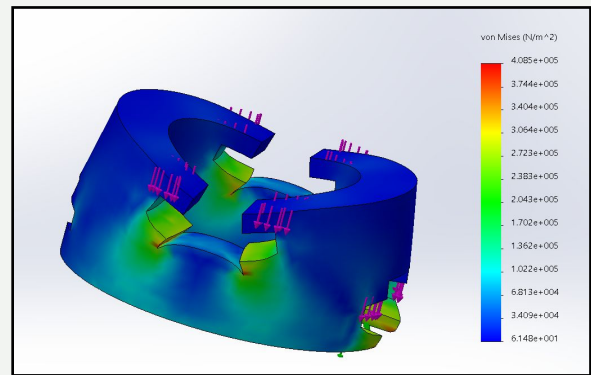
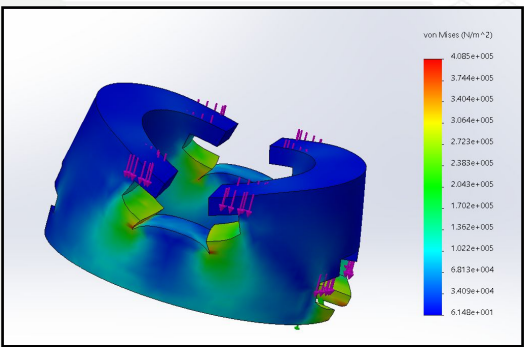
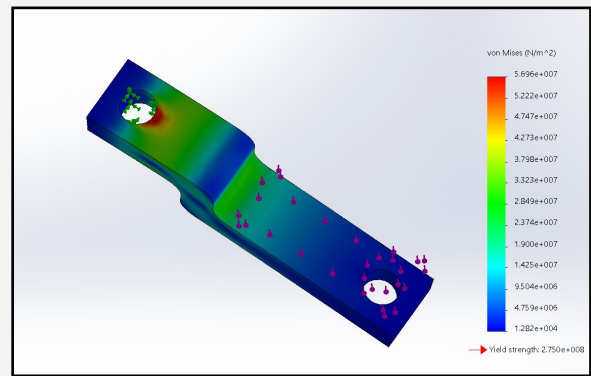
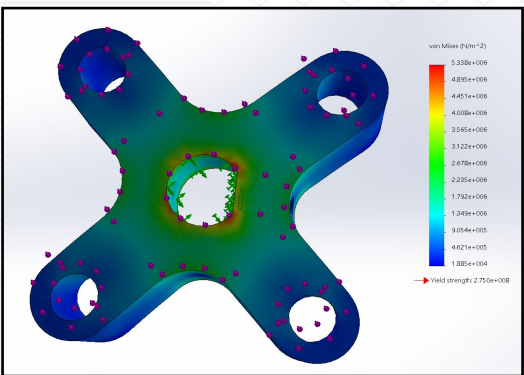
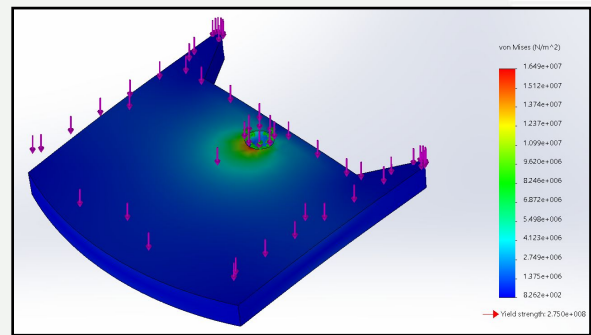
- 3 alternative concepts
- Criteria independent of each other
- Weights applied to each criteria
  - determined through impact on mission performance

| Concept                                  |            |        | 1   |        | 2   |   | 3  |
|--|------------|--------|---|--------|---|---|--|
| Criteria                                 | Importance |        |  |        |  |   |  |
| Low Weight                               | 5          | 1      | 5   | 2      | 10  | 1 | 5  |
| Vertically Compact                       | 7          | 2      | 14  | 3      | 21  | 1 | 7  |
| Deployment Speed                         | 10         | 3      | 30  | 2      | 20  | 3 | 30   |
| Low Actuation Force Needed               | 10         | 1      | 10  | 3      | 30  | 2 | 20   |
| High Drag per Surface Area               | 8          | 1      | 8   | 1      | 8   | 3 | 24   |
| High Maximum Drag Force                  | 8          | 3      | 24  | 2      | 16  | 2 | 16   |
| High Manufacturability                   | 8          | 1      | 8   | 3      | 24  | 2 | 16   |
| Low Complexity                           | 6          | 1      | 6   | 3      | 18  | 2 | 12   |
| Ease of Maintenance                      | 5          | 1      | 1   | 3      | 3   | 2 | 2  |
| Inexpensive                              | 2          | 1      | 2   | 3      | 6   | 2 | 4  |
| Low Software Complexity                  | 3          | 3      | 9   | 1      | 3   | 3 | 9  |
|  |            |        |   |        |   |   |  |
| Total Possible:                          | 216        |        |   |        |   |   |  |
| Total                                    |            | 117    |   | 159    |   |   | 145  |
| Relative Total                           |            | 54.17% |   | 73.61% |   |   | 67.13%   |
| Scores Range: 1 - 3 (1 = bad, 3 = great) |            |        |   |        |   |   |  |

# Failure Mode and Effect Analysis - ATS

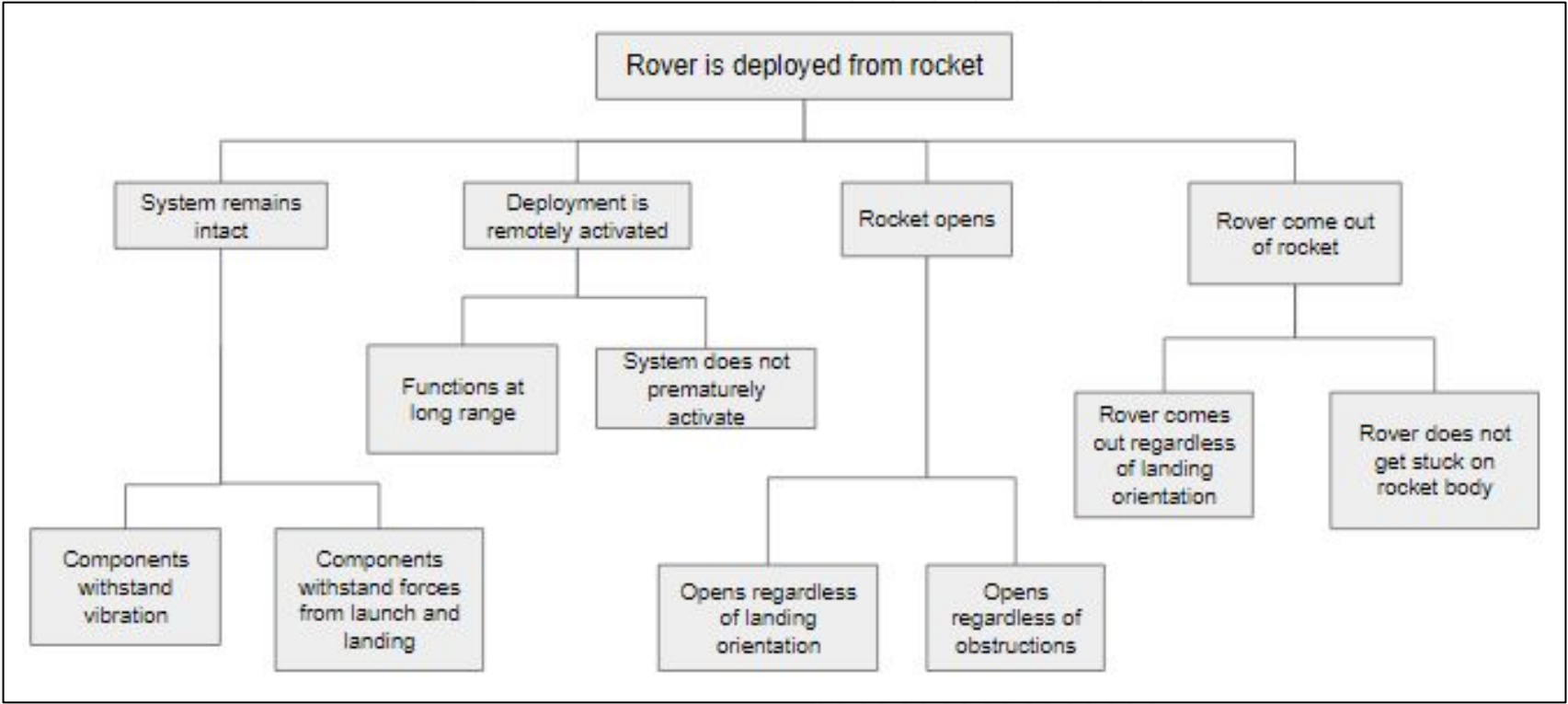


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|-----------------|---|---|------------------|--|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|
| Raspeberry Pi   | sends data to motor boards to actuate motor | Raspberry Pi sends bad data                                 | Software Error   | Check coding before launch                     | Motor does not actuate         | 2                | 1                           | 1                   | 2            | 0.07407                         |
|                 |   |   |                  | Simulate flight using pressure/ vacuum chamber |                                | 2                | 1                           | 1                   | 2            | 0.07407                         |
|                 |   | Raspberry Pi fails to sends data                            | Faulty Wiring    | Check wiring before flight                     | Motor does not actuate         | 2                | 1                           | 1                   | 2            | 0.07407                         |
| Altimeter       | records the height at specified rate        | Altimeter fails to send data due to internal error          | Faulty Wiring    | Check wiring before flight                     | ATS is not actuated            | 2                | 1                           | 1                   | 2            | 0.07407                         |
|                 |   |   | Faulty Altimeter | Simulate flight using pressure/ vacuum chamber | ATS is not actuated            | 2                | 1                           | 1                   | 2            | 0.07407                         |
|                 |   | Altimeter sends wrong data                                  | Faulty Altimeter | Simulate flight using pressure/ vacuum chamber | ATS is actuated during burnout | 3                | 1                           | 1                   | 3            | 0.11111                         |
| 9V Battery      | powers altimeter                            | The connection between the altimeter and the battery severs | Faulty Wiring    | Check wiring before flight                     | ATS is not actuated            | 2                | 1                           | 1                   | 2            | 0.07407                         |
|                 |   | Battery dies during flight                                  | Faulty Battery   | Check the voltage of the battery before flight | ATS is not actuated            | 2                | 3                           | 1                   | 6            | 0.22222                         |
| 3s LiPo battery | Powers motor                                | Battery dies during flight                                  | Faulty Battery   | Check the voltage of the battery before flight | ATS is not actuated            | 2                | 3                           | 1                   | 6            | 0.22222                         |
|                 |   | The connection between the motor and the battery severs     | Faulty Wiring    | Check wiring before flight                     | ATS is not actuated            | 2                | 1                           | 1                   | 2            | 0.07407                         |



- Design requirement: FOS > 2
- FEA completed on each part to observe stress concentrations and deformation regions
- Highest stress occurs when fully deployed

# Payload - Rover

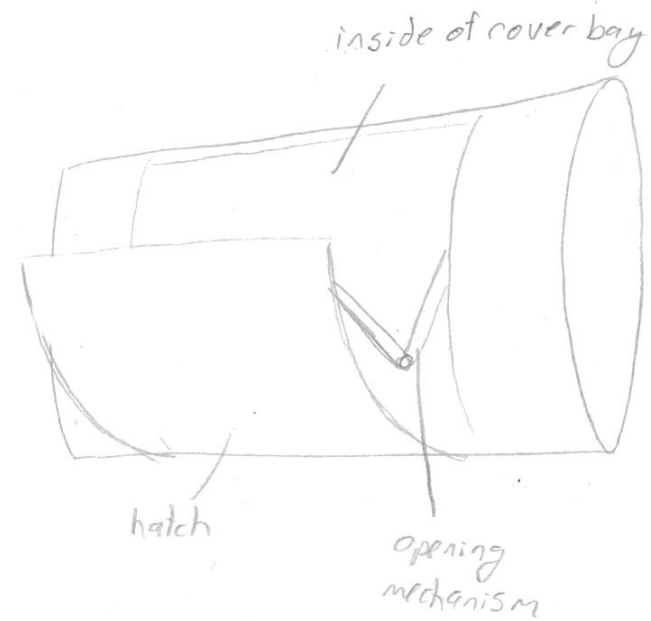
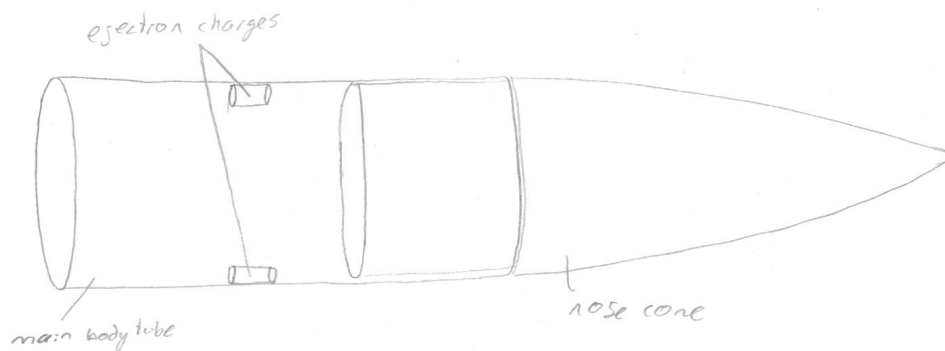




## Alternative design options

Ejection charges

.. Side hatch

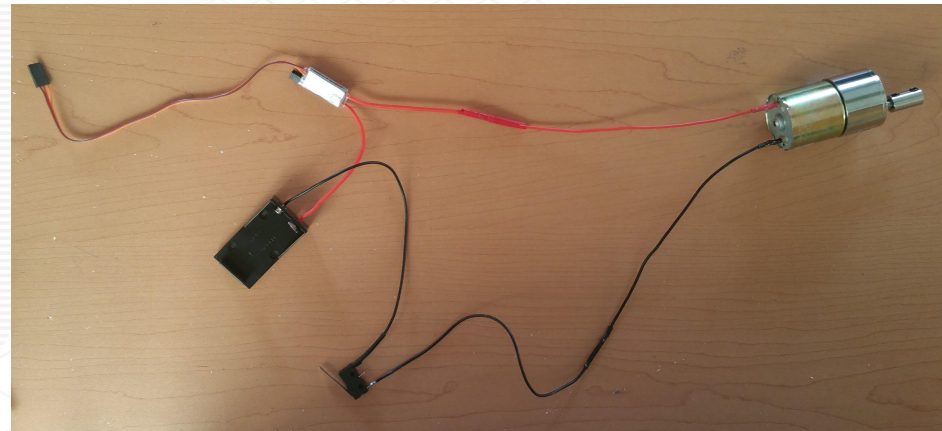
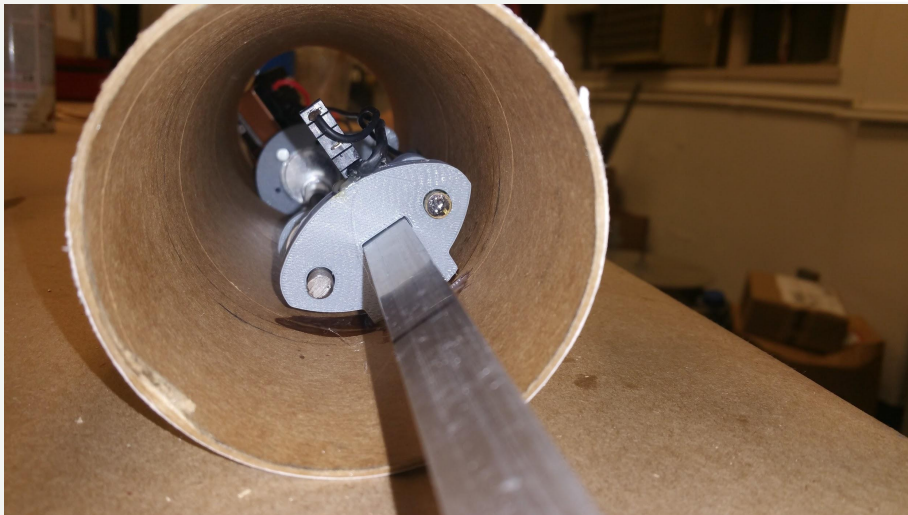
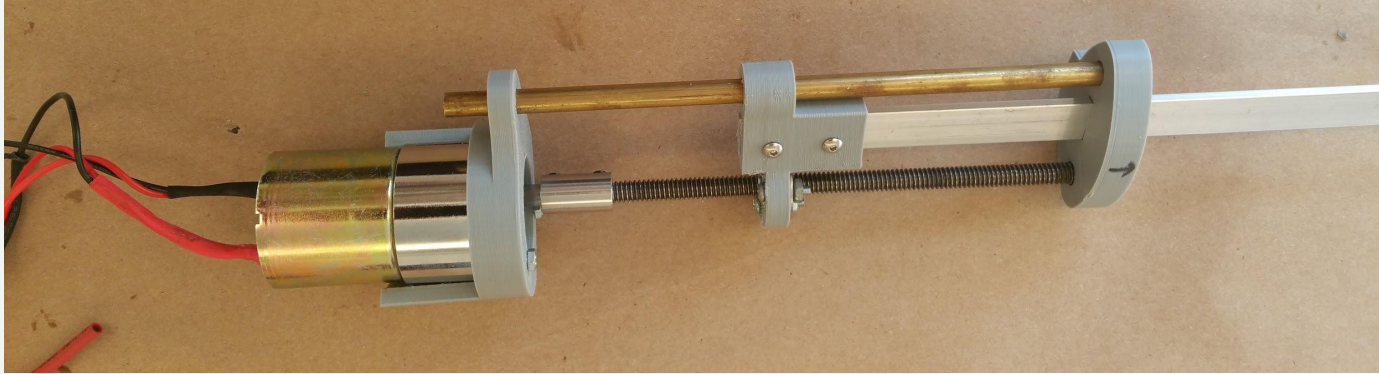


# Rover Deployment

| Concept                                     |                 | 1                        |            | 2                             |            | 3          |            |
|---|-----------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Criteria                                    | Import-<br>ance | Lead Screw<br>Separation |            | Ejection Charge<br>Separation |            | Side Hatch |            |
| Low Weight                                  | 6               | 2                        | 12         | 3                             | 18         | 2          | 12         |
| High Manufacturability                      | 8               | 2                        | 16         | 3                             | 24         | 1          | 8          |
| Low Complexity                              | 6               | 1                        | 6          | 3                             | 18         | 1          | 6          |
| Ease of Maintenance                         | 4               | 1                        | 4          | 2                             | 8          | 1          | 4          |
| Low cost                                    | 3               | 1                        | 3          | 3                             | 9          | 2          | 6          |
| Low Software<br>Complexity                  | 3               | 2                        | 6          | 3                             | 9          | 2          | 6          |
| Reliability                                 | 10              | 3                        | 30         | 1                             | 10         | 1          | 10         |
| Payload Safety                              | 10              | 3                        | 30         | 1                             | 10         | 3          | 30         |
| Rover Orientation                           | 8               | 3                        | 24         | 2                             | 16         | 1          | 8          |
|   |                 |                          |            |                               |            |            |            |
| Total Possible:                             | 174             |                          |            |                               |            |            |            |
| Total                                       |                 |                          | 131        |                               | 122        |            | 90         |
| Relative Total                              |                 |                          | 75.29<br>% |                               | 70.11<br>% |            | 51.72<br>% |
|   |                 |                          |            |                               |            |            |            |
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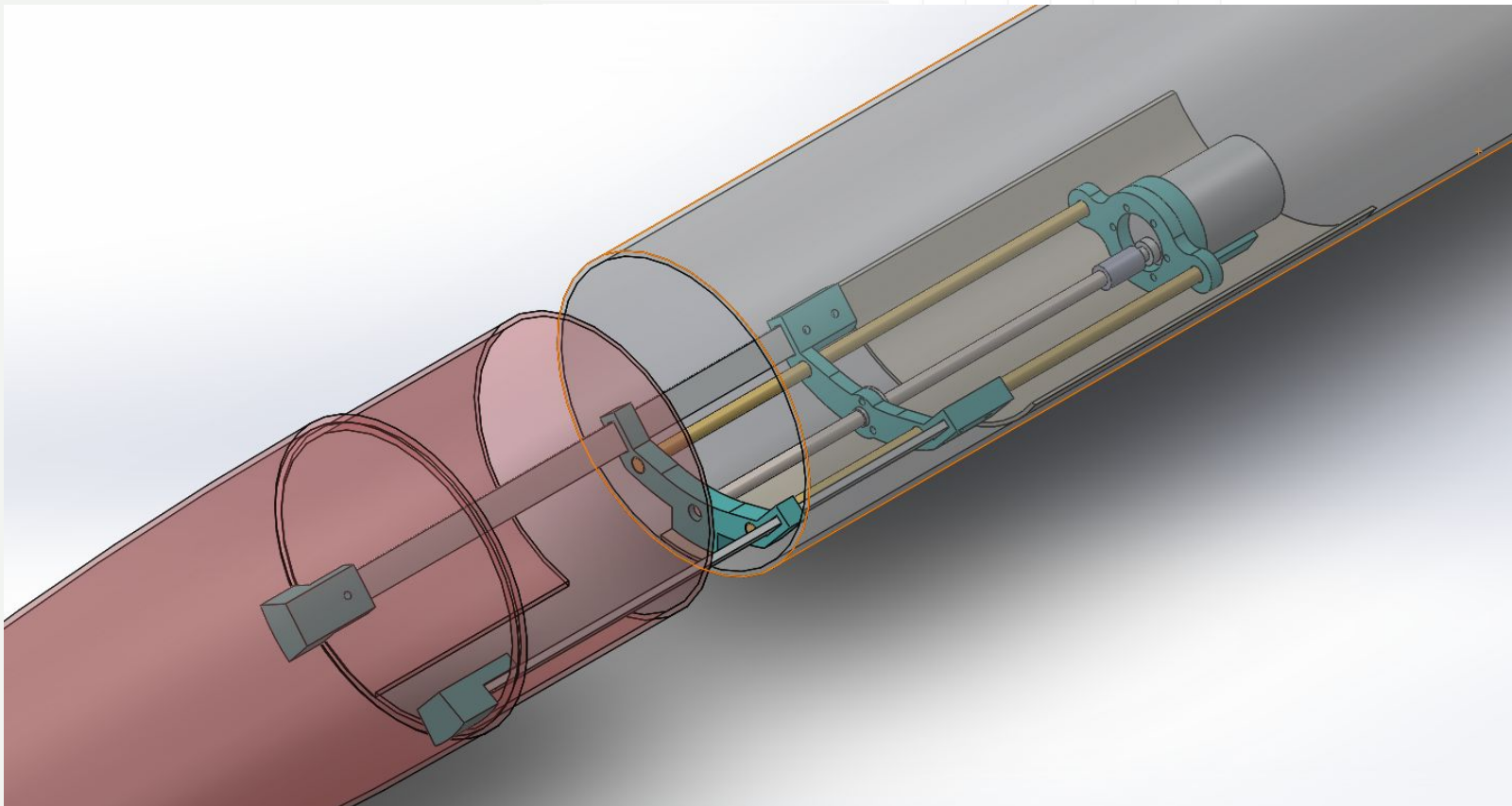
## Prototyping: Lead Screw Mechanism



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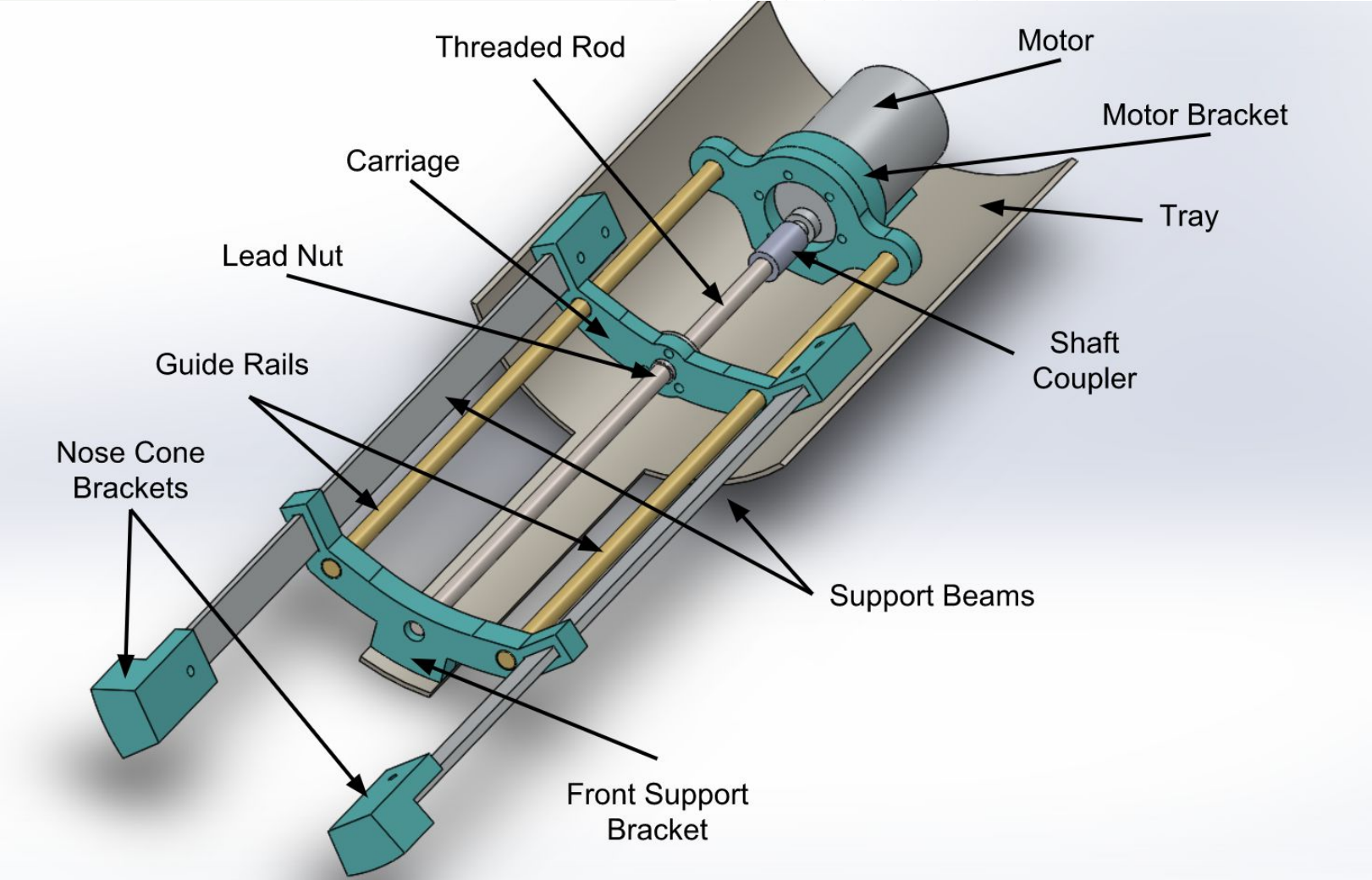
Final design decision: Axial lead screw

Chosen for its mechanical simplicity, payload safety, and and reliability





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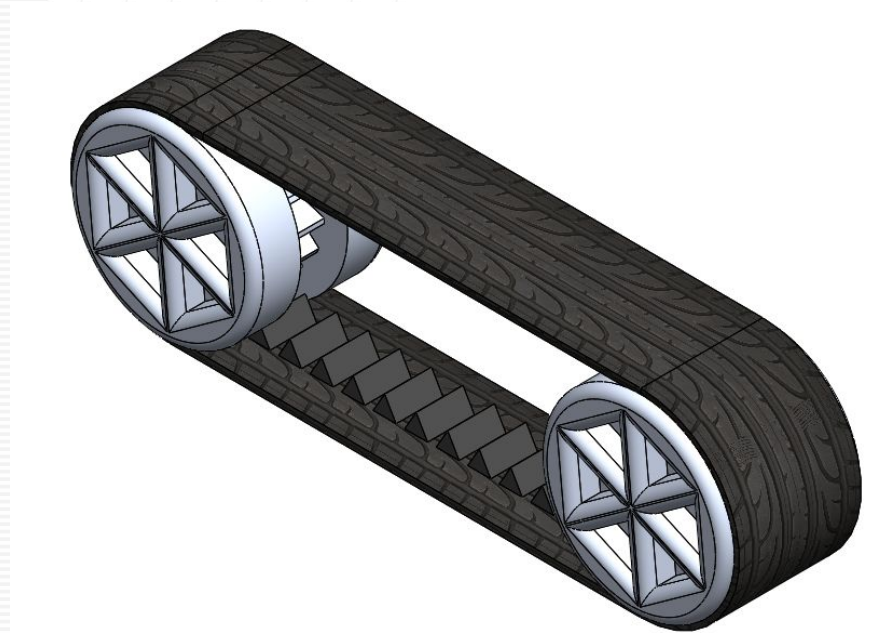
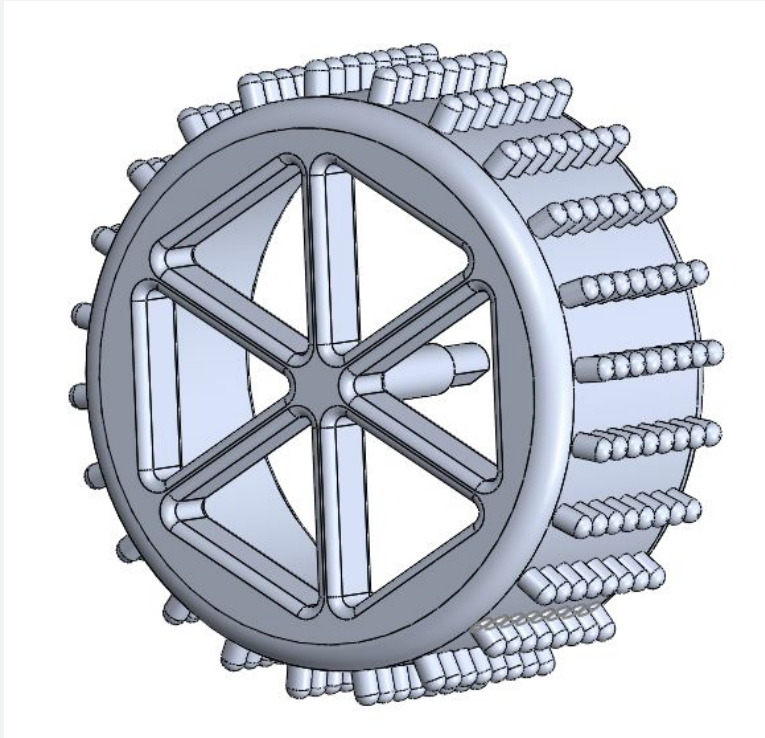


# Rover Drivetrain

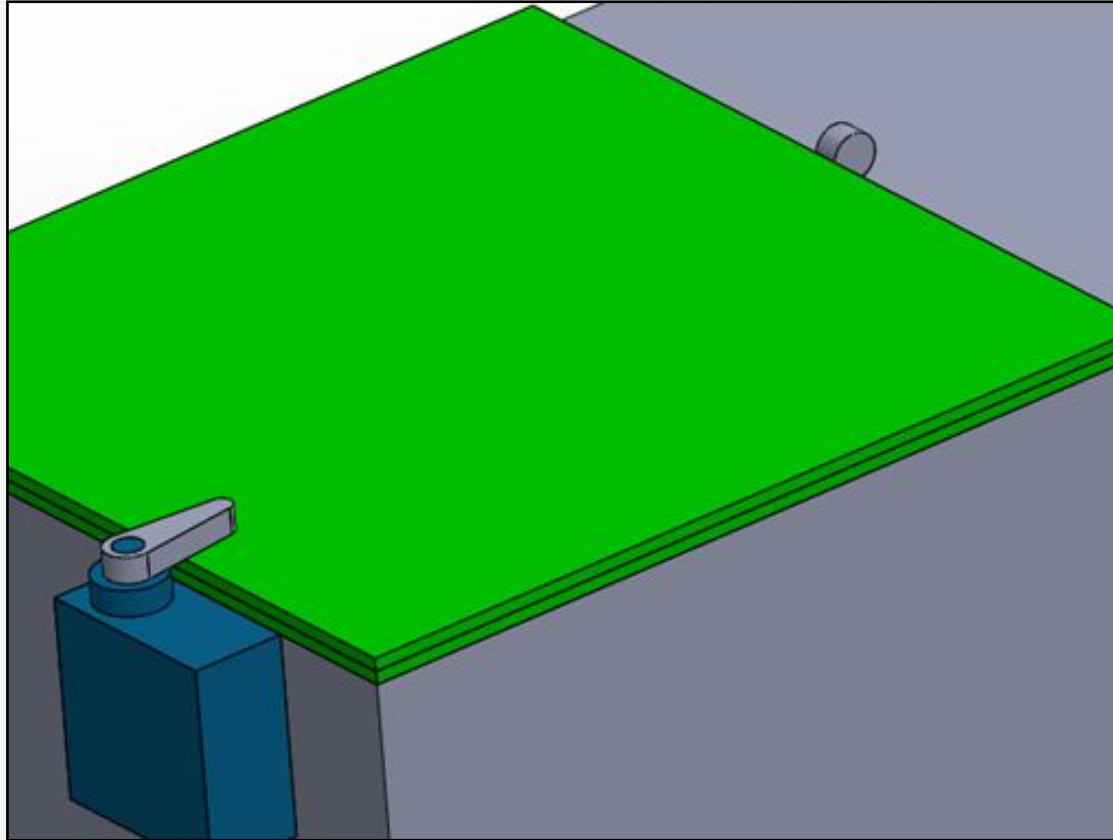


| Concept                                  |            | 1      |        | 2      |        |
|--|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Criteria                                 | Importance | Wheels |        | Tracks |        |
| Low Weight                               | 6          | 2      | 12     | 2      | 12     |
| High Manufacturability                   | 8          | 3      | 24     | 2      | 16     |
| Low Complexity                           | 6          | 3      | 18     | 2      | 12     |
| Inexpensive                              | 3          | 2      | 6      | 2      | 6      |
| Traction                                 | 10         | 1      | 10     | 3      | 30     |
| Durability                               | 7          | 3      | 21     | 3      | 21     |
| Risk of Slippage                         | 5          | 3      | 15     | 1      | 5      |
| Reliability                              | 8          | 1      | 8      | 2      | 16     |
|  |            |        |        |        |        |
| Total Possible:                          | 159        |        |        |        |        |
| Total                                    |            |        | 114    |        | 118    |
| Relative Total                           |            |        | 71.70% |        | 74.21% |
| Scores Range: 1 - 3 (1 = bad, 3 = great) |            |        |        |        |        |

# Rover Drivetrain



# Rover Solar Panel Deployment



# Flight Systems

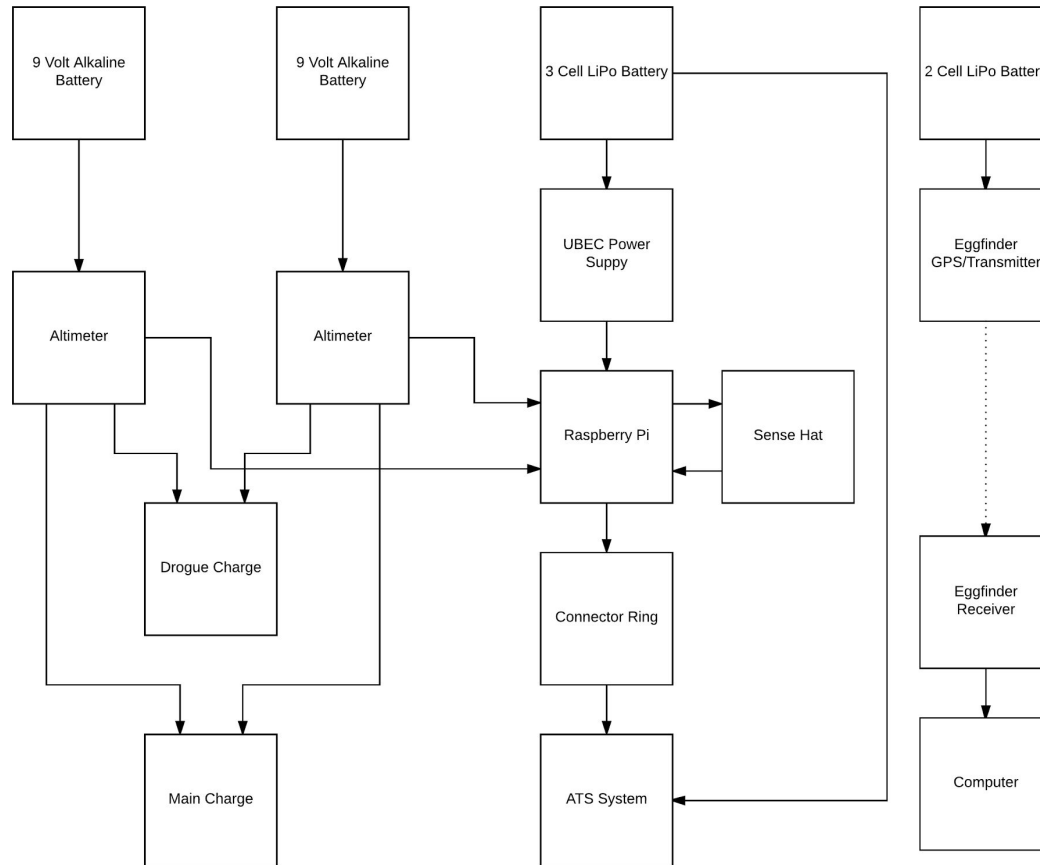
# Avionics Component Breakdown



| Part                   | Function  |
|------------------------|---|
| Stratologger CF x2     | Altimeter - ignite ejection charges, record max altitude, send real time altitude data to ATS |
| Eggfinder TX/RX Module | GPS module - used to track the rocket in real time  |
| 9V Alkaline Batteries  | Provide power to the altimeters   |

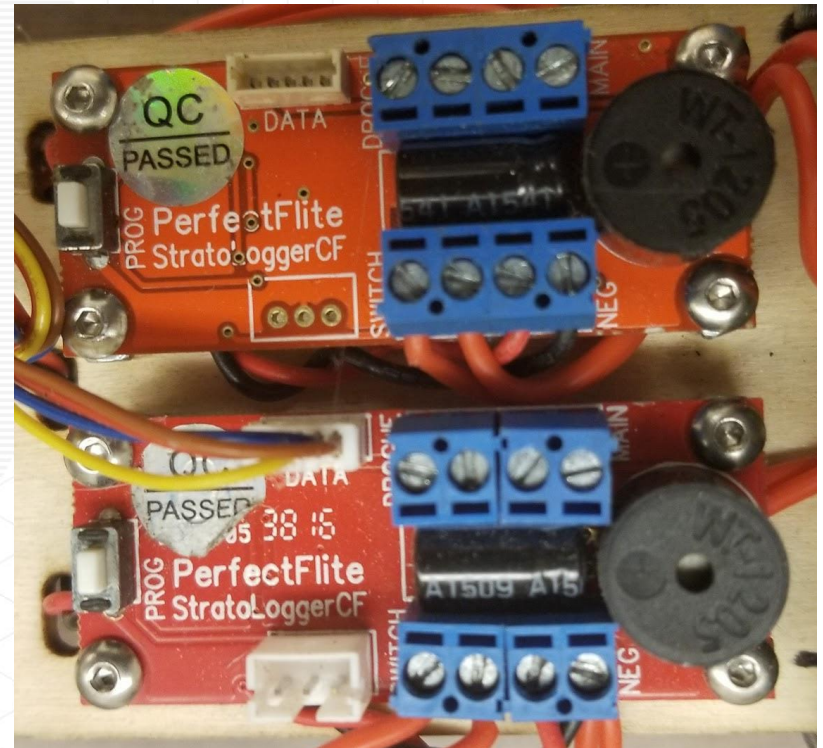


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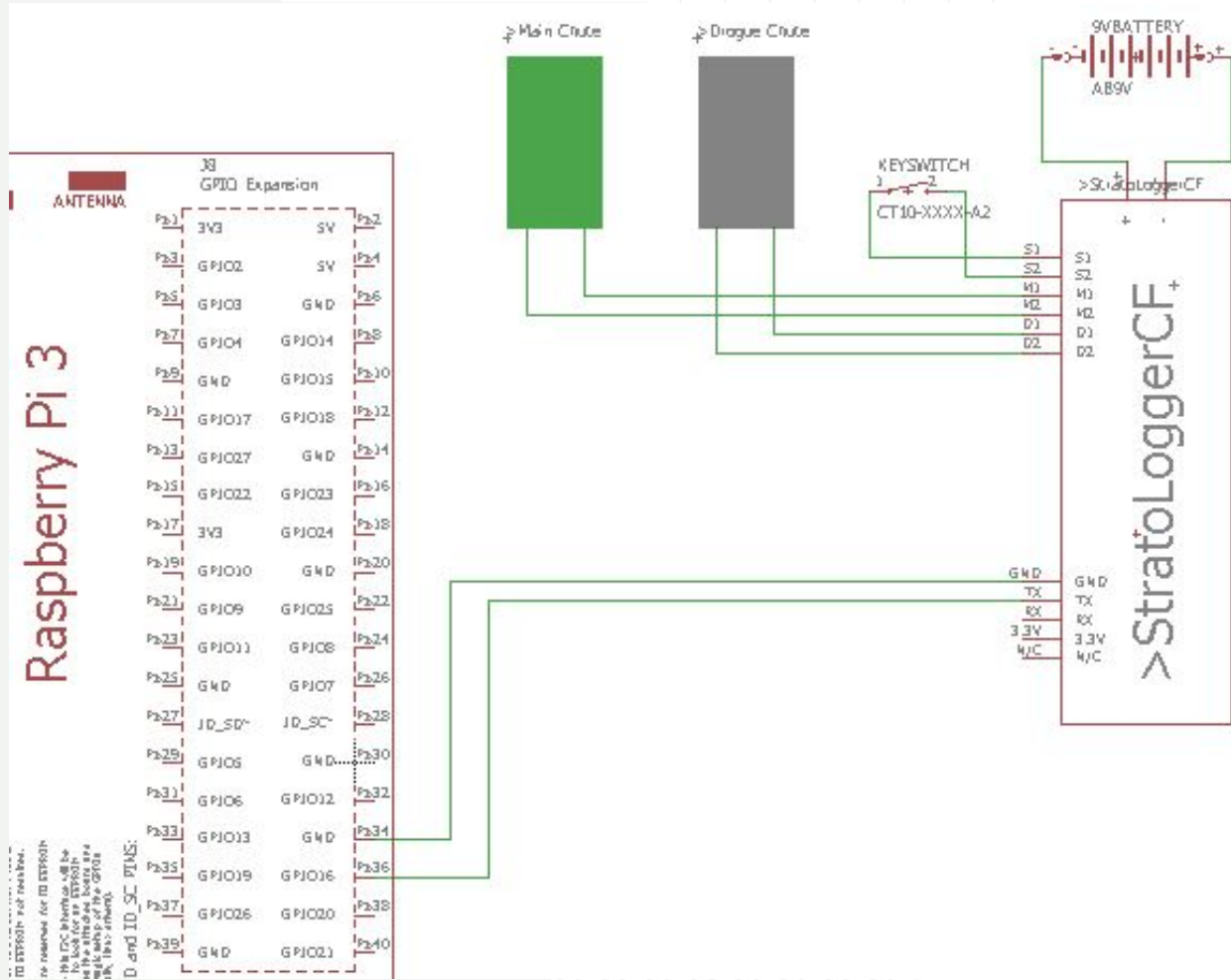


# Altimeters

- Two altimeters will be used for redundancy
- The four pyro outputs will be wired to two electric matches
- Max Altitude: 100,000 ft
- 20 samples per second
- one foot resolution < 38,000 ft
- Voltage in: 4-16 V
- Dimensions: 2.0"L x 0.84"W x 0.5"H
- Weight: 0.38 oz



# Deployment Wiring Diagram



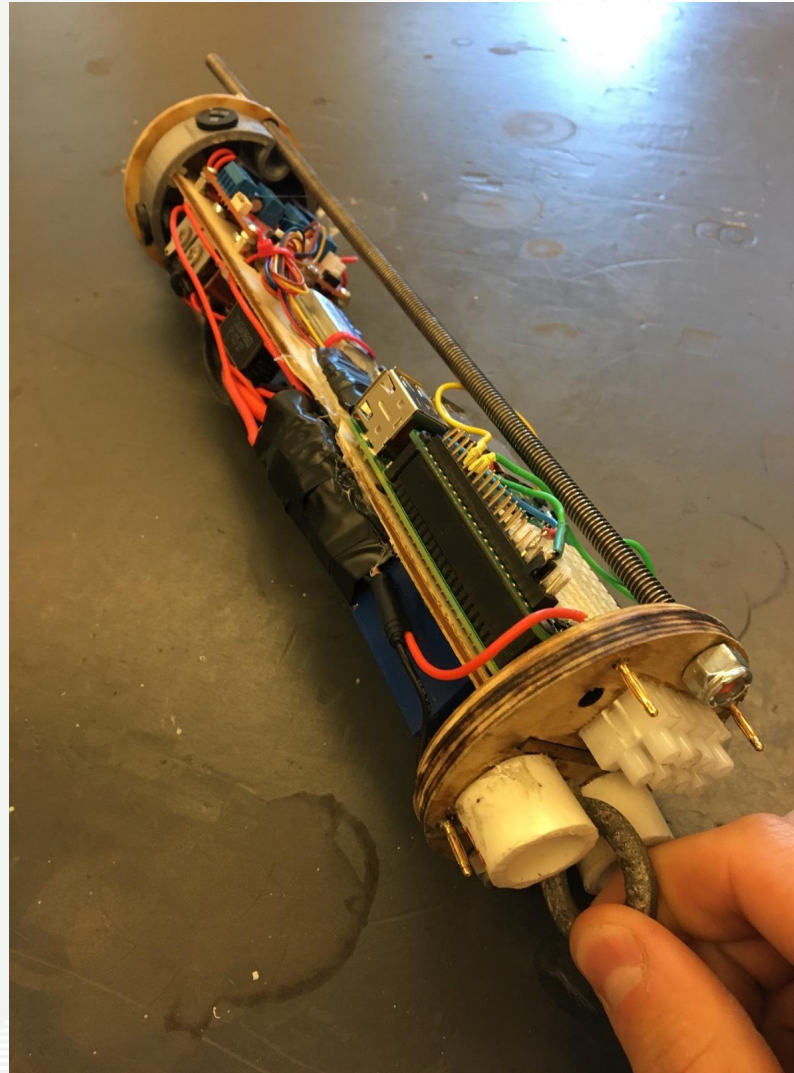
# GPS

- Eggfinder Transmitter and Receiver Pair
- Laptop will be used to display and record data from receiver
- Transmits on 900 MHz band at 100mW
- Packets sent at 9600 baud, 8 bits, and no parity
- Tx Mass: 20 grams
- Power: 2 cell lipo
- Current Draw: 70-100 mA
- Dimensions: .9"W x 3"L x .4" H



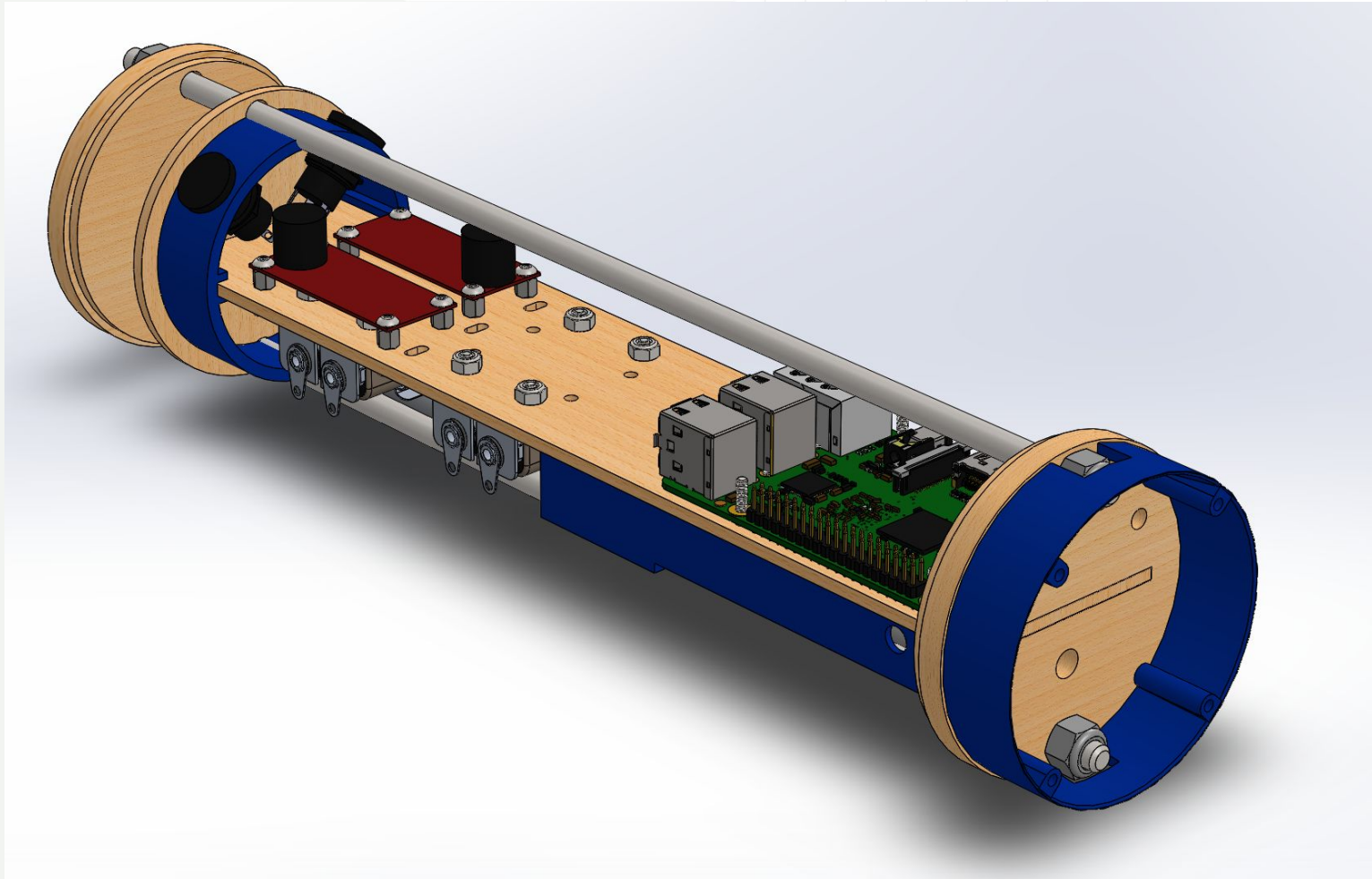


# Subscale Avionics Bay Structure

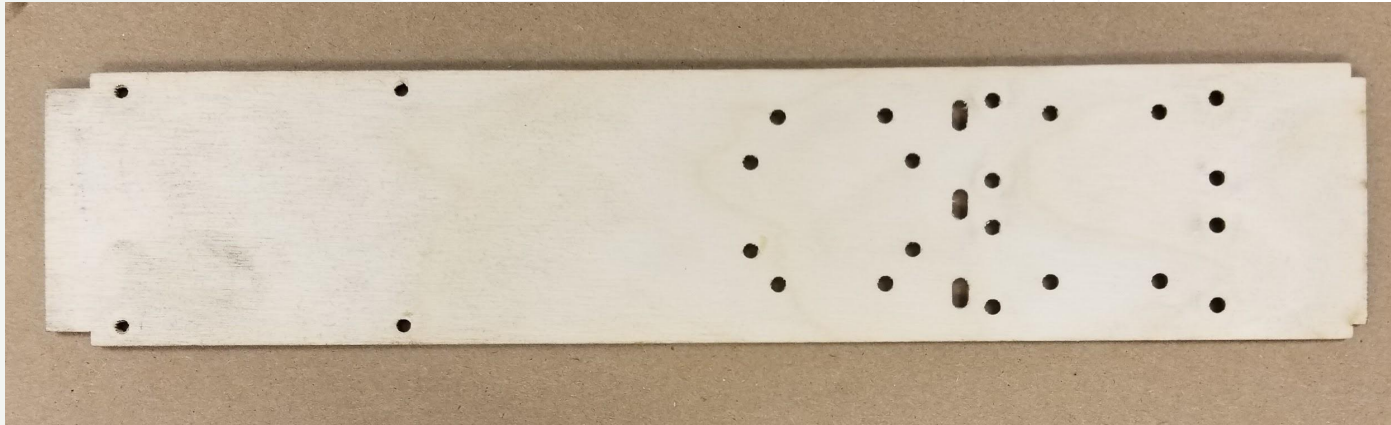




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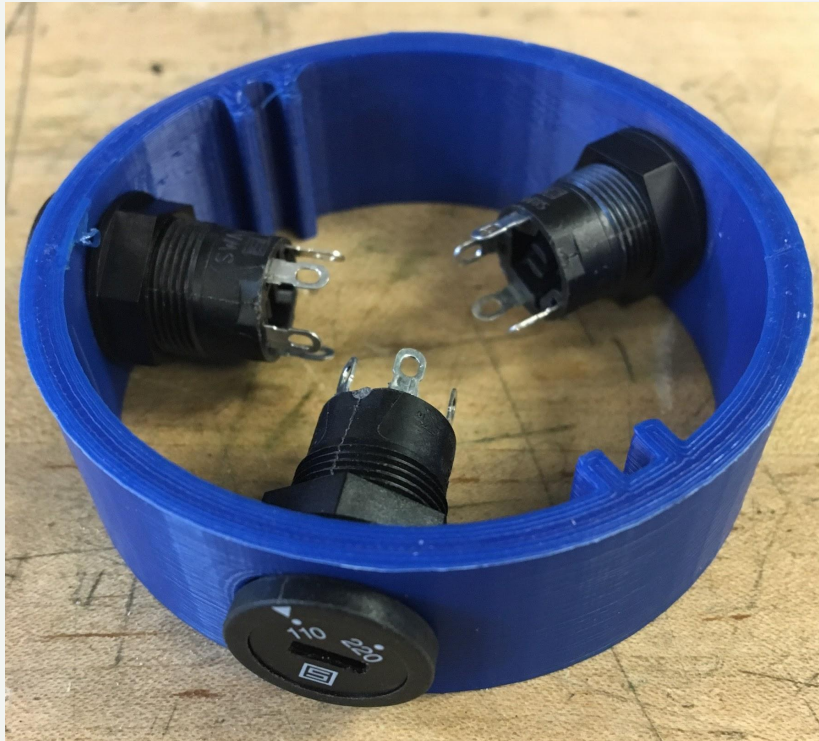


# Subscale Laser Cut Parts





# Subscale Avionics 3D Printed Parts



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# QUESTIONS?

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