

Tuskegee University Rocketry Club



National Aeronautics and Space Administration Student

Launch Initiative Preliminary Design Review

Atmospheric Measurement and Aerodynamic Analysis

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Team Mission

The goal of Tuskegee University's Rocket Club is to establish an educated base of students who are able to efficiently design, modify, and execute mission purposed rockets. The underlying purpose of the University's participation in the University Student Launch Initiative is to test the effectiveness of jute fibers as a eco-friendly alternative to fiberglass in the design of fins. During the launch, we will be able to test the aerodynamic forces acting on the fiberglass fins.

Facilities

For the the 2015--2016 Nasa USLI, the Tuskegee University Rocketry will be utilizing various laboratory and rooms throughout Tuskegee University college of engineering and Material Science including but not limited to:

Model Fabrication Laboratory

Satellite Design Laboratory

Material Science Lab Downstair

Material Science Processing Laboratory Farm

Tuskegee University Wind Tunnel Lab

Tuskegee University Propulsion Laboratory

Equipment

Model Fabrication Laboratory

Band Saw

Drill Press

Table Saw

Satellite Design Laboratory

Oscilloscope

Optical Table

Material Science D

Planetary Vac

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Changes Made Since Proposal

3.1 Launch Vehicle/Payload additions

Solar Irradiance Sensor

Humidity Sensor

GPS

UV Radiation Sensor

Changes Made Since Proposal (cont.)

3.2 Structures Subsystem

Divided Airframe into 4 sections

Chose Fiberglass instead of Jute Fiber

Pin Lock Mechanism to Stabilize airframe

Tether connects 4 sections together during recovery process

Vehicle Criteria

4.1 Launch Vehicle Selection, Design, and Verification

In order to consider the mission a success, the vehicle must abide by all rules and constraints put in place by the USLI officials.

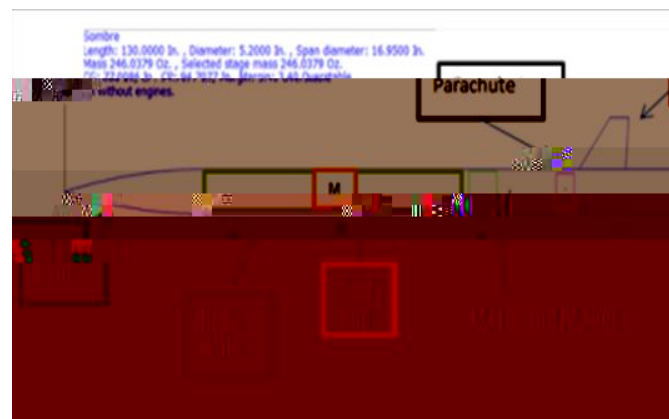
Projected to reach an altitude of 5280 feet

Vehicle Criteria

4.2 Structure Subsystem

4 .Structural Subassemblies

1. Nose Cone
2. Body Tube
3. Payload/Avionics Bay
4. Motor Mount



Vehicle Criteria

4.4 Avionics Subsystem

Vehicle Criteria(cont.)

4.5 Recovery Subsystem

The recovery system will be built into the front and rear body tubes as shown:



- 1)The front and rear body tubes (not directly related to the system)
- 2)The gunpowder charge (charge one and two)
- 3)The altimeters
- 4)The drogue parachute

4.7 Power Subsystems

- Eight 9 volt batteries
- Payload components
- GPS independent power source
- Avionics system.

4.6 Communication Subsystem

- Transmitter(s)
- GPS
- Ground Station



Payload Criteria

5.1 Payload Selection, Verification, and Design

The measurements of pressure, temperature, relative humidity, solar irradiance, and ultraviolet radiation shall be taken with its respective sensors verified by testing, analysis, inspection.

5.2 Payload Concepts Features and

The complexity of a fully functional reusable payload is an extreme challenge not only have to properly construct components together but they must in a manner that achieves accurate and tangible data. This requires proper and sufficient power supply, and adequate programming knowledge of all components the payload. We also have plans to screen to visually verify the functional results of each test of the payload.

Payload Criteria (cont.)

5.3 Science Value

The payload is designed to indicate the strain of the material on of the fins, study the pressure, temperature, relative humidity, solar irradiance, and ultraviolet radiation of the surrounding air from the time of apogee until either the rocket was recovered or ten minutes had passed after landing. By comparing the measured values to expected values, their credibility could be determined.

5.4 Payload Safety and Environm

Risk Factors

Chemicals and materials

- Bodily injury: irritation, burns, and allergic reactions
- Work stoppage
- Material Safety Data Sheets of all hazardous chemicals and materials will be available to and reviewed by all members.
- Facilities with fume hoods will be used for caustic materials.
- Protective equipment including, but not limited to, gloves, safety glasses, and filtered face masks.

Misuse of Power Tools

- Bodily Injury: Cuts, Abrasions, and Bruises
- Work Stoppage
- Instructions will be given prior to student use of equipment.
- Experienced technicians or upperclassmen must be present for all machining.

Unintentional Ignition of Igniters or Electric Matches

- Bodily Injury: Minor Burns
- Fire
- Loss of critical supplies
- All electric matches will be shorted together at their ends.
- Proper storage in secure grounded case.

Unintentional Detonation of Black Powder

- Bodily Injury: Serious Burns, and hearing loss
- Ejection charges will be filled last with flight computers deactivated.
- Handlers will wear work gloves and ear plugs.

Questions?