

# Quick Change Electrical Connection

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## Need Identification

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## 1.0 Introduction

This project works with the defense company Raytheon to design a self-aligning, simply installed quick-change nose assembly for a weapon. Since their start 90 years ago, Raytheon has been known for their admirable defense and aerospace systems that has been used in government applications throughout the world. Today, their projects remain at the top of their industry with Integrated Defense Systems, Intelligence and Information Systems, Raytheon Missile Systems, and Space and Airborne Systems.

Our team is given the opportunity to be a part of the Raytheon Company by designing a quick-change nose assembly for a weapon. This includes electronic connections that self-align and provides a secure contact of that connection for all environmental factors the weapon will experience in normal conditions.

## 2.0 Need Statement

The current nose assembly is unable to provide the ability to quickly install the nose without compromising the electrical connection.

## 3.0 Problem Statement

### Goal:

Design an improved electrical connection alignment.

### Objectives:

To design an alignment for the electrical connection, the following objectives in Table 1 must be met. Our design must be cost effective because this will be reproduced on a large scale and must last the life of the nose assembly, which is 15 years. Our design must also be easily replaced and repaired in the field if any damages were to occur.

Table 1: Objectives

Objective	Basis of Measurement	Units
Inexpensive	Cost of producing 200 units per year	\$
Long life	Time before failure	Years
Field Replaceable	Time taken to replace	Minutes
Easily Repaired	Distance part is deformed	Inches

### Constraints:

- Must fit in a 1.5'' x 4'' x 2'' zone
- Connection must be maintained for a mating tolerance of  $\pm 0.020''$
- Resistance to captive carriage vibration standards

- **Transportation Loads:** Must resist 30 Gs of shock in all directions
- **Temperature Range:** -54° to 80° C
- **Sand:** The connector shall be able to operate after exposure to blowing sand with protective covers at particle concentration of 1.06 gram (gm)/m<sup>3</sup> with a wind velocity of 40 mph (59 ft/sec, 17.9 m/s) and a corresponding particle size from 74 to 1000 micrometers.
- **Dust:** The connector should be able to be exposed to dust at a particle concentration of 10.6 ± 7 grams (gm)/m<sup>3</sup> with a wind velocity of 20 mph (29 ft/sec, 8.95 m/s) and a corresponding particle size less than 150 micrometers.
- **Water and Ice:** The nose assembly should be able to be operated under exposure to 1 inch/hr (25.4 mm/hr) with an average droplet size of 0.07-inch diameter for duration of 5 min at a velocity of 862 ft/sec.
- **Bomb Rack Ejection Shock:** Must be able to resist loads from a 50G acceleration from ejection of an aircraft.
- **Corrosion Resistance:** Must be able to resist exposure to 5% salt solution
- Must be compatible with JP-10 Jet Fuel.

Test Environment:

The environment that our design will be tested at must be capable to meet all the constraints listed above. This would have to be in a test facility at Raytheon, and various places at NAU. For instance the temperature test could be done in the mechanics of material lab, room 117, as well as testing for fatigue and endurance strength.

Recapitulation of Problem Statement

Need: The current nose assembly is unable to provide the ability to quickly install the nose without compromising the electrical connection.

Problem Definition

Goal: Design an improved electrical connection alignment.

Objectives:

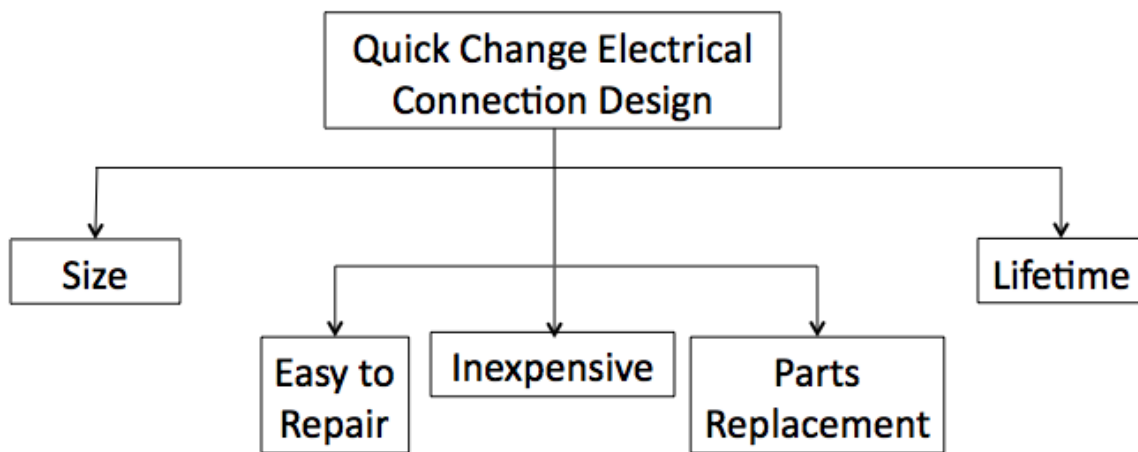
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Inexpensive	Cost of producing 200 units per year	\$
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Constraints:

- Must fit in a 1.5'' x 4'' x 2'' zone
- Connection must be maintained for a mating tolerance of ±0.020''
- Resistance to captive carriage vibration standards

- Transportation Loads
- Temperature Range
- Sand
- Dust
- Water and Ice
- Bomb Rack Ejection Shock
- Corrosion Resistance
- Must be compatible with JP-10 Jet Fuel.

#### 4.0 Criteria Tree



**Figure 1 - Criteria Tree**

This Criteria Tree represents the criteria of the project and what the design team needs to accomplish. All of these items are important for the Quick Change Electrical Connection Design.



This table shows whether the different requirements are positively correlated or negatively correlated. This allows our team to accurately connect the similarities of each of the requirements. For instance, this table shows that the material and durability of our design are positively correlated which means when the strength of the material increases, so will the durability.

## 6.0 Gantt Chart

Below is our project plan for the upcoming months:

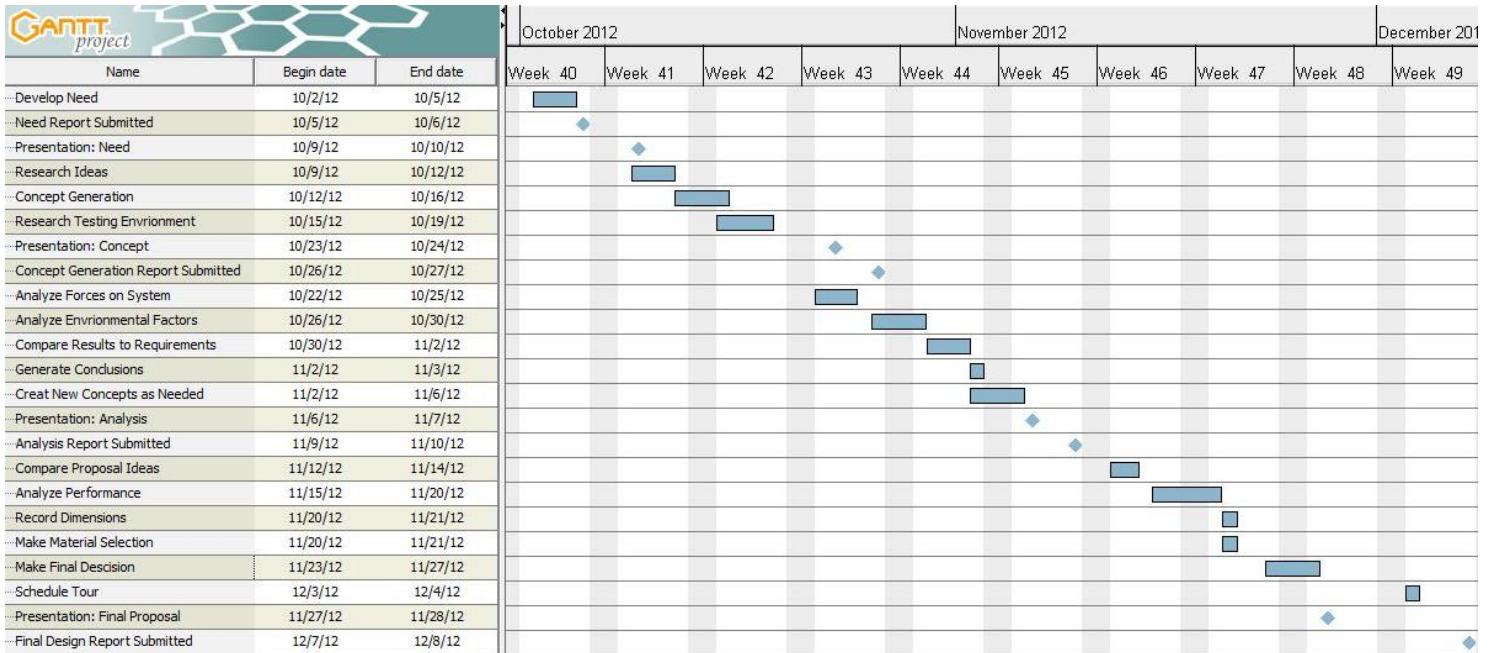


Figure 2 - Gantt Chart

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