



## The Wright Stuff

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#### Agenda

- Competition Overview
- Conceptual Design
- Engineering Analysis
  - Aerodynamics
  - Propulsion
  - Material/Structural
- Financial Overview
- Gantt Chart





#### **Competition Overview**

- Customer
  - Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE)
- Project
  - Aero Design West Competition
  - Self-motivated, self-funded project
  - Test of individual and group capabilities



#### **Problem Statement**

#### Needs Identification

- Current remote controlled aircraft do not carry sufficient payload
- Goal
  - Introduce precision manufacturing techniques into RC aircraft design



## **Design Constraints**

Mission Objectives

Flight Demonstrations

- Design Limitations
- Test Environment
  - Phoenix, AZ
    - equivalent atmospheric conditions





#### **Conceptual Design**





**Tapered Planform** 





T-Tail



#### **Conceptual Design**

• Spars

- Wood tooled to precision

- Ribs
  - 3D printing with ABS polymer





#### **Conceptual Design**

- Propeller selection based on motor and aircraft specs
- Payload bay opens beneath
- Plate-based loading scheme







#### Aerodynamic Environment

- 282k > Reynolds Number > 450k
  - Laminar Flow
- Pressure drag more significant than skin friction
   Airfoil Selection
- Mach Number=.053>>0.3
  - Incompressible Flow
- Wing Geometry
  - Aspect ratio and planform taper
    - ➢Induced drag



#### **XFOIL Analysis**

- MIT-Professor: Mark Drela/Harold Youngren
- Inputs:
  - Airfoil shape, Chord length, Re#, Mach#, Angle of attack
- Outputs:

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- **–** CD





### **Airfoil Selection**

- Maximum Lift
  - Minimize drag by reducing flow separation and pressure drag
- Airfoil Selection:
  - S1223





#### Geometry

- Assumed Flight Velocity
- Aspect Ratio & Taper Ratio Optimized
- Matlab Optimized Wing





#### Materials

- Utilize rapid prototyping for ribs
- Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene (ABS)
  - Polymerization of Acrylonitrile, Butadiene, Styrene monomers.
  - High impact and mechanical strength

	Specific Gravity	Tensile Strength (Mpa)	Tensile Modulus (Mpa)	Flexural Strength (Mpa)	Flexural Modulus (Mpa)
ABS P400	1.04	22	1,627	41	1,834



#### **Structural Analysis**

- Discretization of wing
  - Several sub elements from  $A_0$  to  $A_N$
- Lift per sub element
  - Based on percent Area
  - Acts at Center of Gravity





#### **Elastic Center**





#### **Mechanics of Materials**



$$\Sigma M_A = \frac{L}{2} (W_1 L) + \frac{2L}{3} \left[ \frac{(W_2 - W_1)L}{2} \right]$$







## **Propulsion Systems**

- High diameter, low pitch
  High thrust design
- Propeller Range
  − 11 X 7 → 13 X 6
- Test stand will be constructed
  - Static Thrust
  - RPM





## Budget

<b>Competition Expenses</b>						
Registration	650					
SAE Membership	100					
Other	120					
	870					

Travel Expenses						
Lodging and Food	1200					
Van Rental	600					
Fuel	450					
	2250					



Building, M	isc. Expenses
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Raw Materials	1535
Software Licensing	100
Outsourced Components	200
	1835



#### Sponsorship Breakdown

#### **Budgeted Costs**

#### **Sponsorship Contribution**





#### **Project Timeline**

ID	Task Name	Aug '12	Sep '12	Oct '12	Nov '12	Dec '12	Jan '13	Feb '13	Mar '13	Apr '13	May '13
1	Organizational Tasks										
2	Register for the Competition			•							
3	Gather Funding										
4	Acquire Core Materials				*						
5	Acquire Remaining Materials					*			·		
6	Submit Report								•		
7	Design Tasks			4							
8	Conceptual Design										
9	Preliminary Design			2	·						
10	Build Design						*				
11	Test Design							*			
12	Rebuild and Retest Design								*		
13	Compete in SAE Event									*	
14	Course Presentations					•					
15	Needs Identification			•							
16	Concept Generation and Selection			•	•						
17	Engineering Analysis				•						
18	Final Design Review and Project Proposal										

# Questions?