

# NAU FUME HOOD FINAL PRESENTATION

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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- The Project is to design a fume hood for the biomechanics lab that will be attached with an provided exhauster to be used in Carbon Fiber experiments to filter the particles produced during the experiment.
- Dimensions: 4ft wide - 2ft deep – 3 ft long.
- Filtering system: the filter is an essential component required by the client, which will be attached to the exhauster.
- Additional Features: Pressure transducer – Visual display

# ENGINEERING REQUIREMENTS

- Engineering Requirements determined from Customer Needs.
- Safe for common use at NAU's Biomechatronics Lab
- Eliminate the threats of Carbon Fiber epoxy fumes and particulates produced during sanding and cutting operations.

Table 1: Engineering Requirements

| Engineering Requirements |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Requirement              | Units of Measure                         |
| Dimensionality           | 2x4x3 feet                               |
| Weight                   | < 80lbs                                  |
| Volumetric Flow Rate     | 300-395 CFM                              |
| Air Velocity             | 4000 FPM                                 |
| Pressure Drop            | < 2 kPa                                  |
| Maneuverability          | Transportable within building            |
| Durability               | 200 Kpsi                                 |
| Filter Assessment        | Seconds                                  |
| Usability                | Compatible with EBR 50 Exhauster         |
| Particulate Capture      | 0-80% Max capacity (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> ) |

# TOLERANCES

- Tolerances determined based on relationships between pressure, velocity, and volumetric flow rate through the system.

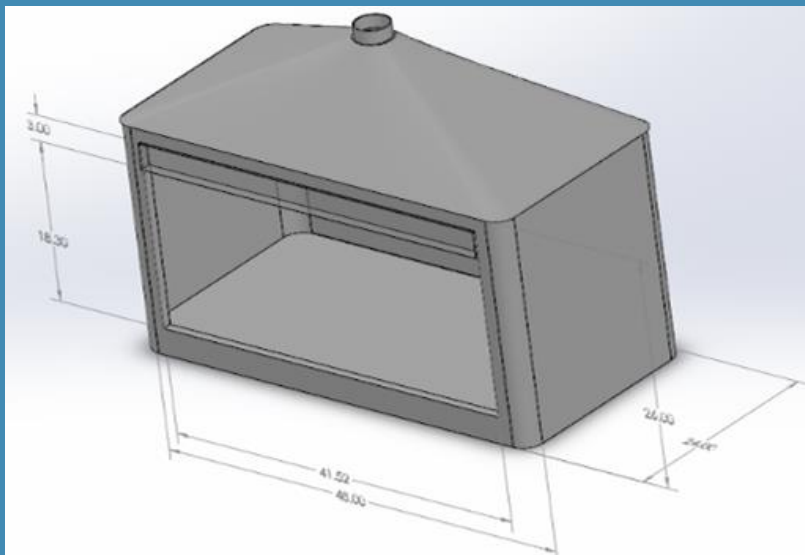


Figure 1: Dimensioned CAD Model

Table 2: Tolerance Measurements

| Tolerances           |  |
|----------------------|--|
| Requirement          | Units of Measure                           |
| Dimensionality       | 0.25x0.25x0.25 feet                        |
| Weight               | +/- 5lbs                                   |
| Volumetric Flow Rate | +/- 5 CFM                                  |
| Air Velocity         | +/- 5 FPM <input type="checkbox"/>         |
| Pressure Drop        | < 0.25 kPa                                 |
| Maneuverability      | Transportable within building              |
| Durability           | +/- 5 Kpsi                                 |
| Filter Assessment    | 1/60 Seconds                               |
| Usability            | Compatible with EBR 50 Exhauster           |
| Particulate Capture  | +/- 15% Max capacity (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> ) |

## COMPUTATIONAL ANALYSIS

○ *Required Air Flow:*  $Q = \frac{A}{v} = \frac{3ft^2}{2000 fpm} = 7.5 * 10^{-4} \frac{ft^3}{min}$  [eqn. 1]

○ *Velocity of Air in Duct:*  $v = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{0.00075 \frac{ft^3}{min}}{\frac{\pi}{4} * 0.4in^2} = 8.6 \frac{ft}{min}$  [eqn. 2]

○ *Area of Hood Opening:*  $1.5ft * 2ft = 3ft^2$  [eqn. 3]

# RISK ANALYSIS

Table 3: Top 10 most important failure criterion from simplified FMEA

| Part # and Functions | Potential Failure Mode      | Potential Effect(s) of Failure      | Potential Causes and Mechanisms of Failure | RPN | Recommended Action   |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-----|--|
| Filter               | Wear                        | Erratic operation (no suction)      | Poor Maintenance (Clogge                   | 2   | Remove/clean filter after each use                                       |
| Filter Slide         | Deformation wear (cracking) | Poor appearance                     | Poor maintenance                           | 1   | Make sure filter slides with ease into housing                           |
| exhaust hose         | Abrasive wear               | Suction loss (noise, flying debris) | Poor Maintenance/design                    | 9   | Use a hose with smooth walls instead of ribs                             |
| Exhauster            | Thermal Fatigue             | Erratic operation (no suction)      | Overstress (overuse)                       | 8   | Do not run exhauster for extended lengths of time                        |
| Worm Drive Clamp     | Deformation wear            | Poor appearance                     | Assembly Error                             | 1   | Ensure worm drive is securely fastened to fume hood                      |
| Exhauster Plug       | Wear                        | Erratic operation (no power)        | poor maintenance                           | 5   | make sure exhauster plug is functional and safe for operation            |
| Fume Hood Chamber    | Deformation Wear            | Poor Appearance                     | Poor maintenance                           | 3   | Watch for cracks and deformities in the fume hood                        |
| Filter               | Abrasive wear               | Flying debris/Erratic Operation     | thermal deformation from c                 | 7   | replace the filter as necessary when signs of wear and tear are observed |
| Filter Slide         | Deformation (thermal)       | flying debris/bad appearance        | thermal deformation from c                 | 5   | replace plastic slide as deformations are observed                       |
| Hood Chamber         | Corrosion                   | Inability to operate                | poor maintenance                           | 10  | Ensure carbon Fiber does not corrode the selected fume hood material     |

- From this risk analysis we can prove that our biggest potential failures arise from the fume hood chamber, the exhauster fan, and the exhaustion hose.
- We are focused primarily on the fume hood chamber aspect of this capstone. If the hood chamber design is unable to provide adequate suction power or falls apart it would cause usability issues for the device. As such we are less focused on the failures of the exhauster fan since this was done previously in a different capstone.

## RISK ANALYSIS- CONTINUED

### Severity Standard

- Each of the top 3 potential failures would render the fume hood inoperable. Failures would allow harmful particulates and fumes to enter the atmosphere in the room proving harmful to users within the lab.

### Cause of Failure

- Each part failed for different reasons.
- The Exhauster hose has a potential to fail from abrasive wear as sharp carbon fiber particulates would cut and scrape the hose walls causing tears and suction loss.
- The exhauster has potential to fail due to thermal fatigue (overheating) due to prolonged usage times.
- Lastly, the hood chamber would fail due to potential corrosion on the walls of the chamber. Carbon fiber of itself is prone to galvanic corrosion and could transfer this tendency to the chamber materials. [1]

## RISK MITIGATION

- From our risk analysis we came up with some possibilities that would eliminate or mitigate the main potentials causes for error within the system.
- As mentioned previously, when coupled with a Carbon Component, both Aluminum and plain Steel are susceptible to galvanic corrosion. This would corrode the hood chamber, while also rendering it useless. To mitigate this potential failure we are looking into more carbon friendly hood chamber materials. This includes moldable plastics (which would be a cheaper option to metals), titanium (with it's alloys), or even stainless steel. However, stainless steel would be more susceptible to pitting or crevice corrosion [1].
- We hope to eliminate cutting of the exhaust hose by first testing the current hose that accompanies the exhauster to see exactly how it stands up to sharp carbon fiber particles and fumes. The next step would be to replace the hose with a more durable (smooth walled) hose that could be made of a compatible metal.
- To mitigate the risk of thermal fatigue and overheating we discussed, with Dr. Lerner, a relay device that would shut the exhauster fan down until it reached a cooler operating temperature. We also assume that the exhauster fan may already have this technology built in and this assumption requires further testing and analysis.



## TESTING PROCEDURES

- To conduct further analysis and study we hope to be able to test our exhauster and hood chamber with colored smoke or powder. This test would allow our team to conduct a series of tests including: suction power, flow rate, velocity, and particulate capture efficiency.
- Testing could be done anywhere, but we hope to test at NAU's Biomechatronics lab to get a clearer picture of how and when this device will operate in its primary habitat.

# ME486 PROJECT SCHEDULE

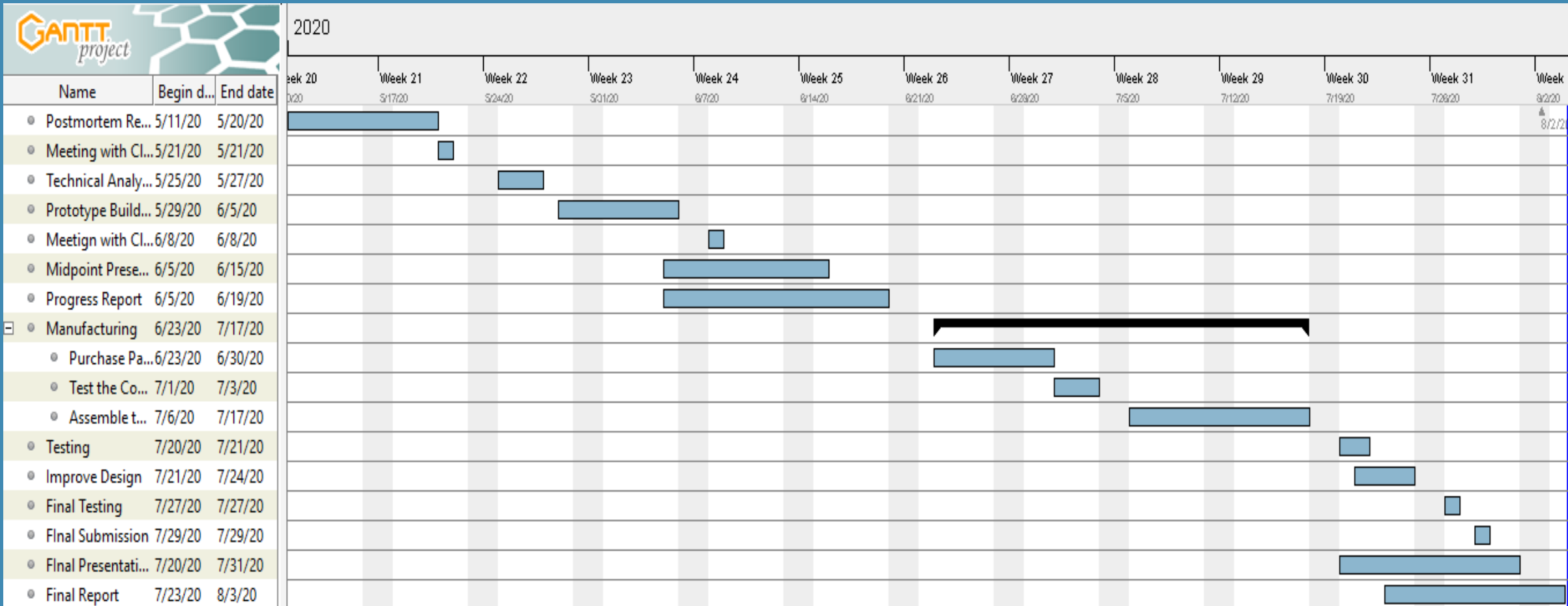


Figure 2: ME 486 Gantt Chart Schedule

# BUDGET ANALYSIS

Table 4: Current Budget Analysis

|                         |              |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Total Budget</b>     | <b>\$400</b> |
| Anticipated Expenses    | \$400        |
| Actual Expenses to Date | \$0          |
| Saved Expenses          | \$400        |
| Remaining Balance       | \$400        |

## REFERENCES

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