

Umbilical Retraction Device

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Scope of Project

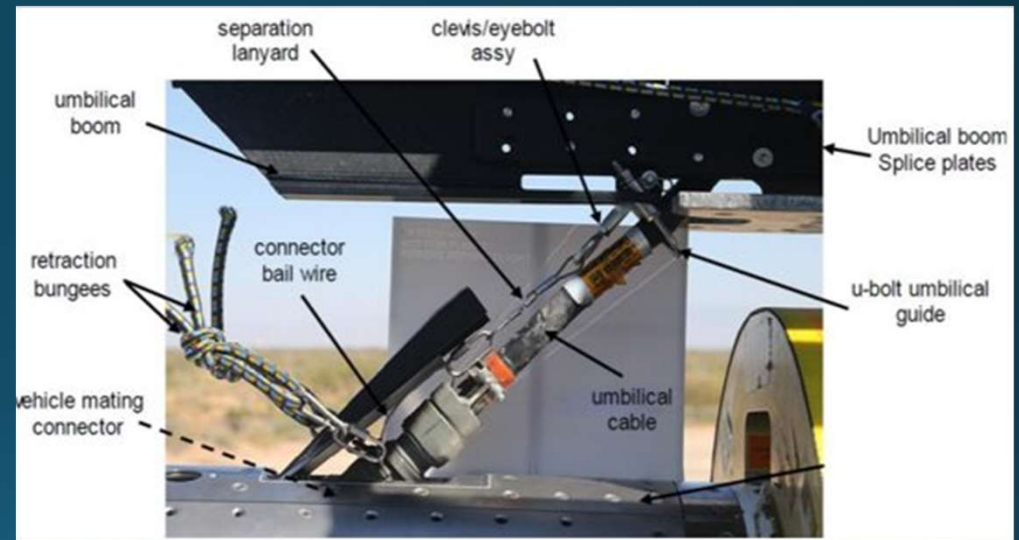
Project Background:

- Signals are sent off to rockets to the very second before it takes off by umbilical cables.
- If the cables are not removed once the rockets takes off, they will come into contact and damage the rocket.
- Current systems include one-time use bungee cables.

Project Goal:

- Design an umbilical retraction system to pull the umbilical away from the vehicle during launch.

Figure 1: Current Retraction Cable



Customer and Engineering Requirements

Table 1: CRs

Customer Requirements
CR1 - High Manufacturability
CR2 - High Reliability
CR3 - Easily Removable/Installed
CR4 - High Durability
CR5 - ESD Safe

Table 2: ERs

Engineering Requirements	Target
ER1 - Cost	<5000 (\$)
ER2 - Side Force	<10 (lbs)
ER3 - Retraction Speed	6ft/s
ER4 - Temperature	-30 to 160 (F)
ER5 - Weight	1lb/1ft
ER6 - Adjustable	2 - 6 (ft)
ER7 - Success Rate	100 (%)

Decision Making

Table 3: Decision Matrix

		Vacuum Piston		Spring Piston	
Engineering Reqs.	Weight	Score	Weighted	Score	Weighted
Cost		12	4 * 0.48	3	3 * 0.36
Side Force		16	3 * 0.48	3	3 * 0.48
Retraction Speed		17	4 * 0.68	3	3 * 0.51
Temperature		11	5 * 0.55	4	4 * 0.44
Weight		14	3 * 0.42	3	3 * 0.42
Adjustability		10	4 * 0.4	2	2 * 0.2
Success Rate		20	3 * 0.6	4	4 * 0.8
Total		100	26	22	3.21

Figure 2: Vacuum Piston

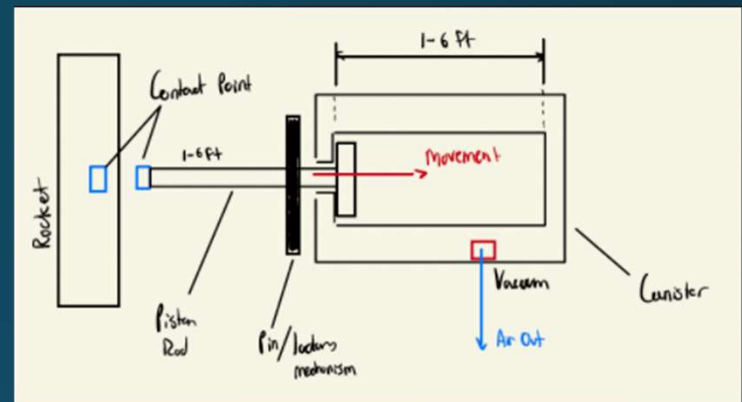
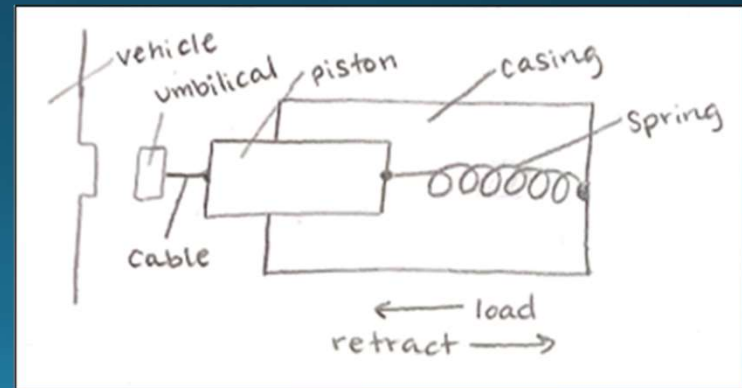


Figure 3: Spring Piston



Decision Making

Table 4: Decision Matrix (Continued)

Engineering Reqs.	Weight	Dog Leash		Two Arms	
		Score	Weighted	Score	Weighted
Cost		12	4 * 0.48	3	0.36
Side Force		16	4 * 0.64	4	0.64
Retraction Speed		17	3 * 0.51	3	0.51
Temperature		11	2 * 0.22	4	0.44
Weight		14	2 * 0.28	2	0.28
Adjustability		10	4 * 0.4	4	0.4
Success Rate		20	5 * 1	3	0.6
Total		100	3.53	23	3.23

Figure 4: Dog Leash Sketch

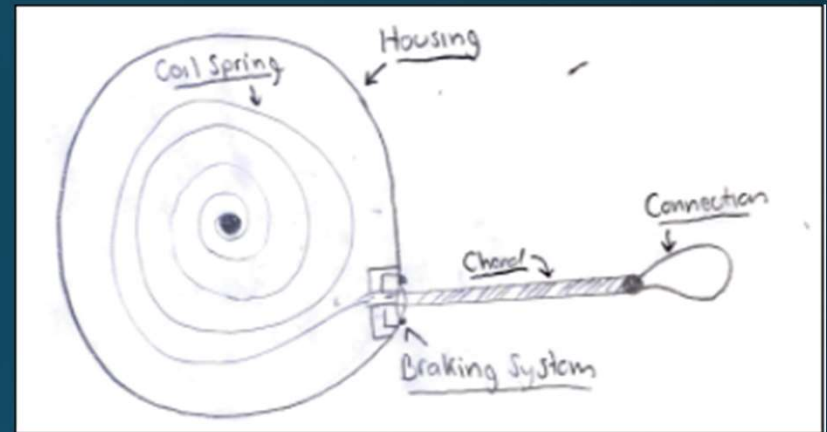
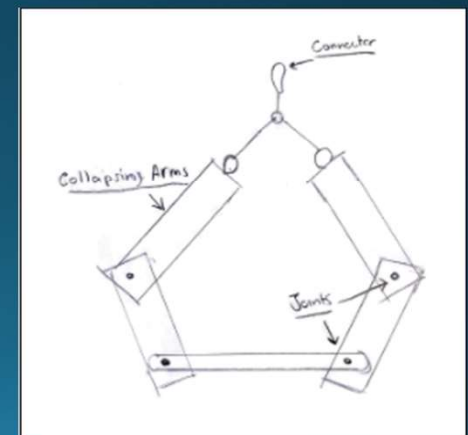


Figure 5: Two Arms Sketch



Decision Making

Table 5: Pugh Chart

	Design 1	Design 2	Design 3	Design 4	Design 5	Design 6
Criteria	Vac. Piston	Spring Piston	Slingshot	Dog Leash	Two Arms	Bunjee
High Durability	+	+	S	+	+	D
High Manufacturability	-	-	S	-	-	
Easily Installed	+	+	S	+	S	A
Success Rate (100%)	-	-	S	S	+	
Cost (\$)	+	+	+	+	+	T
Retraction Speed (6ft/1s)	S	S	S	-	-	
Weight (1lb/1ft)	-	-	S	-	-	U
Side Force (<10lbs)	+	+	+	+	S	
Size	-	-	S	-	-	M
Sum +	4	4	2	4	3	
Sum -	4	4	0	4	3	
Sum S	1	1	7	1	2	

- Failure Modes and Effects Analysis
- Significant dependence on input signal from microcontroller
- Motor selection was crucial (maintaining efficiency and power)
- Multiple moving parts (maintain proper guidelines and through analysis)

Device Design

- Concept generation ended with the design of a winch.
- Will use a geared motor to turn a wheel that will pull in a retracting cable connected to the umbilical
- Actuation system is from a switch that is triggered when the umbilical is pulled away.
- Side plates welded to bottom base.
- All other components screwed and bolted together.

Figure 6: CAD Drawing (Exploded View)

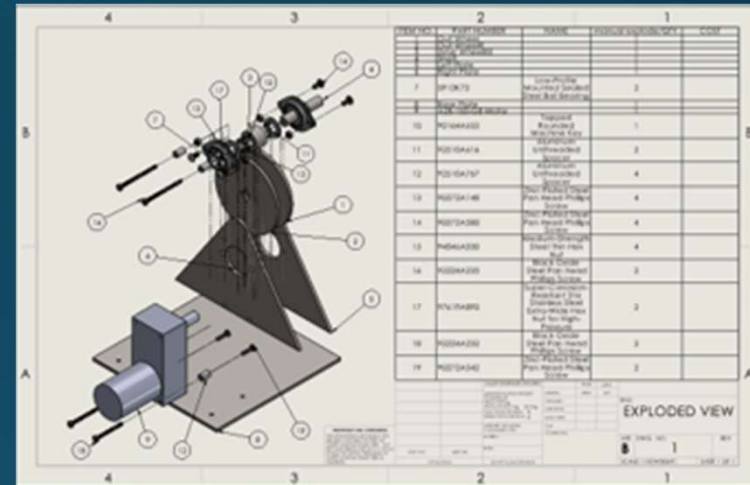
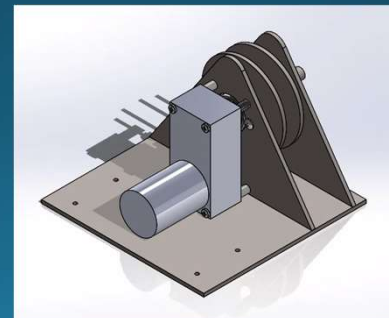


Figure 7: CAD Assembly



Manufacturing

Table 6: Manufacturing Plan

- Multiple parts cut out on a laser cutter by the company Send-Cut-Send.
- Insider shaft pieces manufactured in house at the NAU machine shop.
- Welding was performed by managers of the NAU machine shop.

Part / Assembly	Part #	Quantity	Price	Total Price	Status	Supplier	Manufacture	Start/Order Date	Finish/Receive Date
Left Disk Cut and Tapped	NA	1	\$40.98	\$40.98		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	5-Feb	14-Feb
Right Disk Cut and Tapped	NA	1	\$41.05	\$41.05		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	5-Feb	14-Feb
Left Side Plate Cut and Tapped	NA	1	\$40.55	\$40.55		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	5-Feb	14-Feb
Right Side Plate Cut and Tapped	NA	1	\$41.66	\$41.66		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	5-Feb	14-Feb
Base Plate	NA	1	\$123.97	\$123.97		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	5-Feb	14-Feb
Welding, R/L Plate to Base	N/A	1	N/A	N/A		N/A	Machine Shop	25-Feb	25-Feb
Inside Wheel	N/A	1	N/A	N/A		Home Depot	Jonathan/Machine Shop	25-Feb	4-Mar
Shaft	N/A	1	N/A	N/A		Home Depot	Jonathan/Machine Shop	25-Feb	4-Mar
Electrical Layout	N/A	1	N/A	N/A		N/A	Jonathan	4-Mar	11-Mar
Machine Assembly	N/A	1	N/A	N/A		N/A	Griffin/Machine Shop	7-Mar	30-Mar
Electrical Assembly	N/A	1	N/A	N/A		N/A	Jonathan/Machine Shop	7-Mar	29-Mar
Full Assembly	N/A	1	N/A	N/A		N/A	Team	14-Mar	30-Mar

Manufacturing/Final Working Assembly

- Figure [8] is of the electrical circuit which includes an activator switch (bottom right, a 40 Amp fuse (left), power supply (top), and motor controller (bottom)
- Figure [9] shows the machined assembly which includes all manufactured pieces along with the motor.
- Wood used on base to support structure.

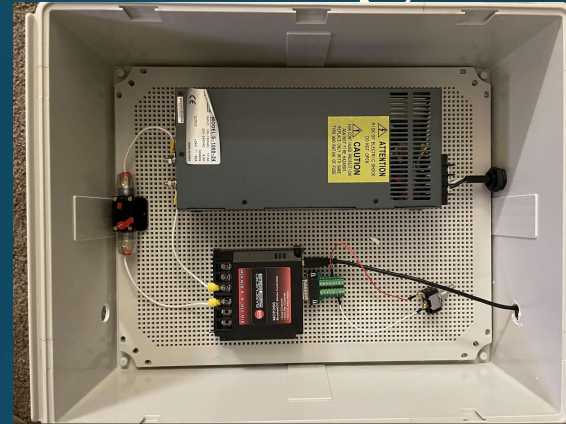


Figure 8: Electrical Circuit

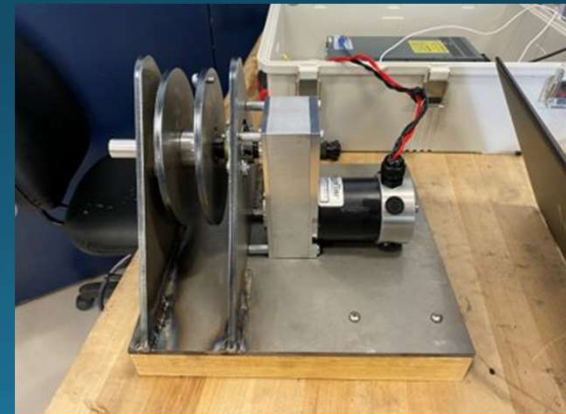


Figure 9: Hardware Assembly

Budget

Table 7: Purchasing Plan

- The total purchasing is \$1890.30
- The budget from our client Northrop Grumman was \$5000
- Current balance of \$3109.70

Part / Assembly	Part #	Quantity	Price	Total Price	Status	Supplier	Manufacturer	Start/Order Date	Finish/Receive Date
Cord	KIT110-2	1	\$ 64.00	\$ 64.00		Wes Spur	Wes Spur	12-Nov	10-Jan
Motor	A128-150-G8	1	\$ 529.00	\$ 529.00		AmpFlow	AmpFlow	17-Nov	3-Feb
Motor Controller	MCP266	1	\$ 269.00	\$ 269.00		AmpFlow	AmpFlow	17-Nov	3-Feb
Power Supply	S-1000-24	1	\$ 199.00	\$ 199.00		AmpFlow	AmpFlow	17-Nov	3-Feb
Speed Adjuster	MCP DM Controller	1	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00		AmpFlow	AmpFlow	17-Nov	3-Feb
Bearing 1"	5913K74	2	\$ 12.77	\$ 25.54		McMaster-Carr	N/A	1-Feb	10-Feb
Bearing 3/4"	5913K73	2	\$ 11.90	\$ 23.80		McMaster-Carr	N/A	1-Feb	10-Feb
Machine key	90164A655	2	\$ 7.22	\$ 14.44		McMaster-Carr	N/A	3-Feb	10-Feb
Left Disk Cut and Tapped	NA	1	\$ 40.98	\$ 40.98		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	5-Feb	14-Feb
Right Disk Cut and Tapped	NA	1	\$ 41.05	\$ 41.05		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	5-Feb	14-Feb
Left Side Plate Cut and Tapped	NA	1	\$ 40.55	\$ 40.55		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	5-Feb	14-Feb
Right Side Plate Cut and Tapped	NA	1	\$ 41.66	\$ 41.66		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	5-Feb	14-Feb
Base Plate	NA	1	\$ 123.97	\$ 123.97		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	5-Feb	14-Feb
Tool Replacement Cord 14/3	342-576	1	\$ 14.47	\$ 14.47		Home Depot	CerroWire	7-Feb	7-Feb
Southwire Cord 1.66/ Ft	12/3 300 Volt	3	\$ 1.66	\$ 4.98		Home Depot	Gardner Bender	7-Feb	7-Feb
16-14 AWG Ring Terminals 15 pack	15-104	1	\$ 2.95	\$ 2.95		Home Depot	Gardner Bender	7-Feb	7-Feb
12-10 AWG Ring Terminals 15 pack	15-107	1	\$ 3.61	\$ 3.61		Home Depot	Gardner Bender	7-Feb	7-Feb
22-18 AWG Spade Terminal 6 Pack	15-111	1	\$ 2.40	\$ 2.40		Home Depot	Gardner Bender	7-Feb	7-Feb
D-Sub Serial Adapters	DB15 RS232	1	\$ 12.99	\$ 12.99		Amazon	Jienk	21-Feb	1-Mar
Enclosure	0791778468009	1	\$ 161.99	\$ 161.99		Amazon	YUEQING QILI ELECTRICAL	21-Feb	1-Mar
Toggle Switch	6919608793716	1	\$ 7.19	\$ 7.19		Amazon	HiLetgo	21-Feb	1-Mar
Power Socket w Switch Fuse	B0822FRV1B	1	\$ 8.99	\$ 8.99		Amazon	MXRS	21-Feb	1-Mar
External Cooling Fan	B0090WVUJ0	1	\$ 18.99	\$ 18.99		Amazon	AC Infinity	21-Feb	1-Mar
Cable Gland Pack	0752771026917	1	\$ 16.49	\$ 16.49		Amazon	Cable Gland	21-Feb	1-Mar
40A Inline Circuit Breaker	B07KF2PV6V	1	\$ 16.99	\$ 16.99		Amazon	Y-SOLAR	21-Feb	1-Mar
Wire Connector Kit	B01LGS2C6	1	\$ 13.99	\$ 13.99		Amazon	EL-SKY	21-Feb	1-Mar
Hot Rolled Plate Gusset	B00YWBSR94	1	\$ 12.99	\$ 32.37		Amazon	IMS	21-Feb	1-Mar
Gusset with Hole	B009Q73QMM	1	\$ 12.25	\$ 12.25		Amazon	Allstar Performance	21-Feb	1-Mar
Lathe Stock	B01F80WG1W	1	\$ 29.99	\$ 29.99		Amazon	Stoner Metals	21-Feb	1-Mar
Chassis Mount for Connectors Sets	HS-4	1	\$ 11.99	\$ 11.99		Powerwerx	Powerwerx	21-Feb	1-Mar
Aluminum Material	NA	1	\$ 27.93	\$ 27.93		Home Depot	Home Depot	26-Feb	26-Feb
Scrap Wood & Bolt, Nut, and Screw Kit	NA	1	\$ 26.14	\$ 26.14		HomeCo	HomeCo	3-Mar	3-Mar
Side Plate and Disk	NA	1	\$ 30.62	\$ 30.62		SendCutSend	SendCutSend	7-Mar	28-Mar

Testing

Video 1: Motor Startup Test

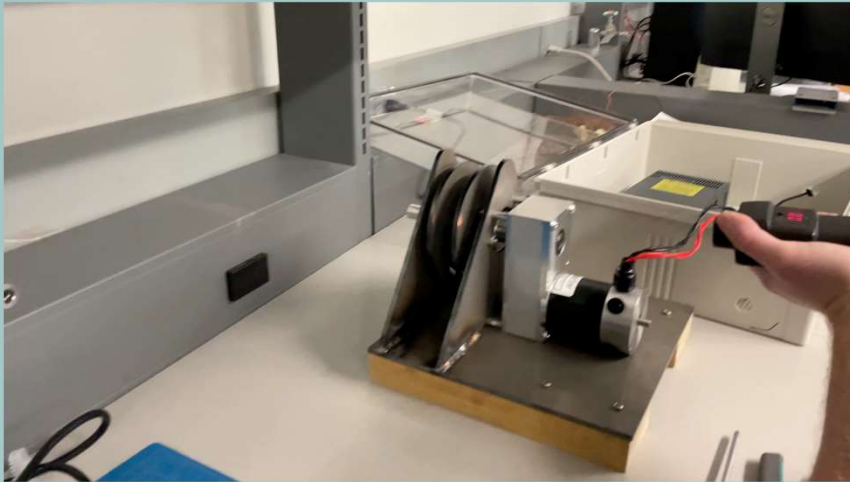


Table 8: Testing Overview

Test	Relevant Requirement	Procedure Summary	What was Learned
Motor Startup	CR2	Motor, MCP and power supply all connected and ran. Emergency stop initiated at different speeds.	All components working correctly. Gearbox was capable of handling braking load.
Cable Test	CR2, CR4, ER4, ER6	Flame applied to cable. Different weight were hung from cable.	Chosen cable could withstand loads and conditions that our device would experience.
Rotation Speed	ER2, ER3, ER5, ER6, ER7	Device was ran at different duty cycles and speed was measured with a tachometer.	Were able to obtain speeds for different duty cycles which were used for calibrating our motor controller.
Retraction Speed	ER2, ER3, ER5, ER6, ER7	Device tested with different loads that mocked pulling an umbilical cable.	Helped determine if our device would meet our customer requirements for retraction speed.
Side Force	ER2	Our cable was attached to a force gauge and the initial force from the weight of the chord and carabiner were recorded.	Showed that we were well under the customer requirement for initial side force.
Environmental Testing	CR2, CR4, ER2, ER3, ER4, ER5, ER6, ER7	Device tested at extreme temperatures to simulate launch conditions.	Showed that our device could withstand launch conditions.

Results

Table 10: Specification

Customer Requirement	CR Met? (Yes or No)	Client Acceptable (Yes or No)
CR1 - High Manufacturability	Yes	TBD
CR2 - High Reliability	More testing needed	TBD
CR3 - Easily Removable/Installed	More testing needed	TBD
CR4 - High Durability	More testing needed	TBD
CR5 - ESD Safe	Yes	TBD

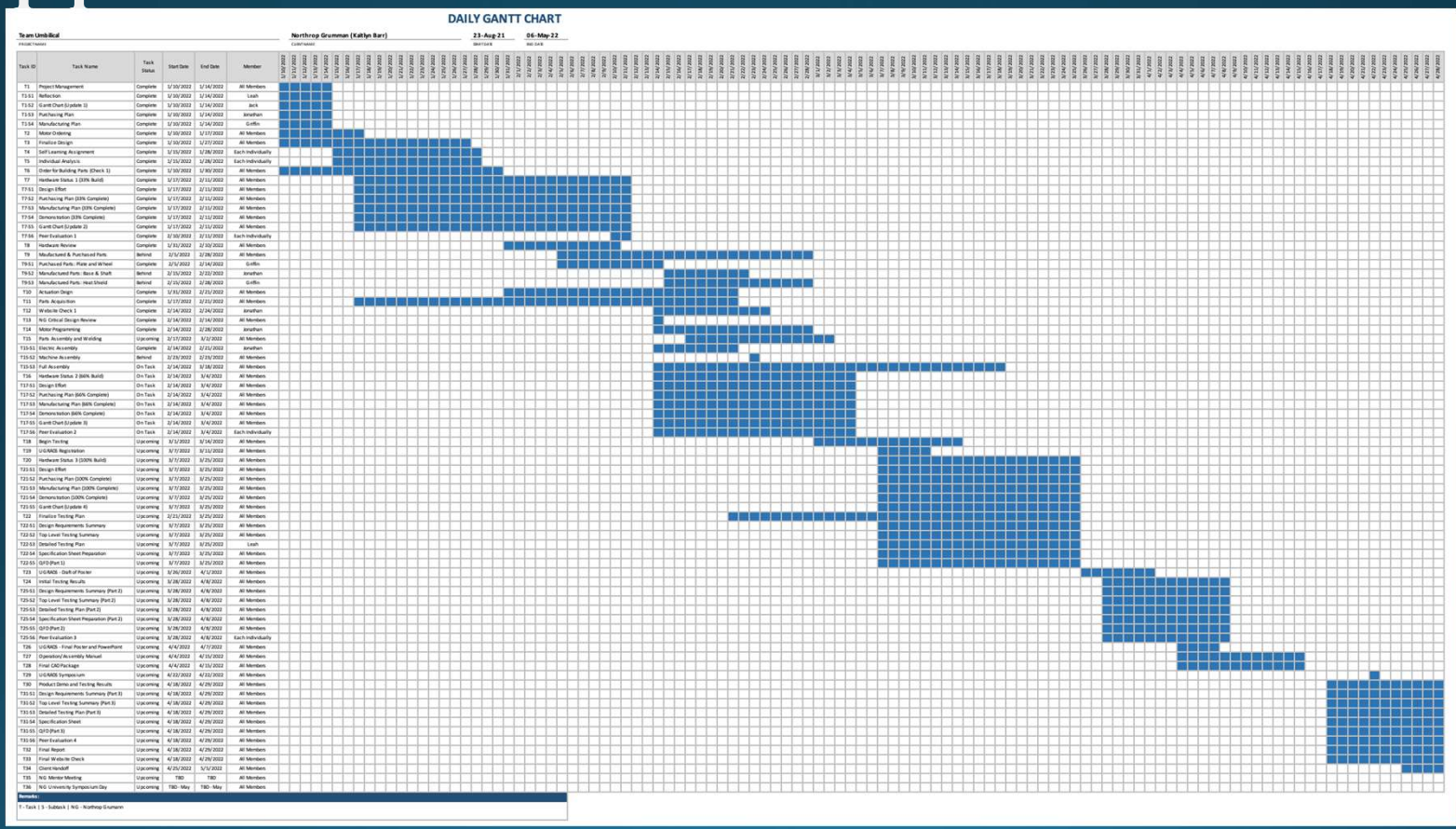
Engineering Requirement	Target	Tolerance	Measure/Calculated Value	ER Met? (Yes or No)	Client Acceptable (Yes or No)
ER1 - Cost	<5000 (\$)	TBD	1860 (\$)	Yes	TBD
ER2 - Side Force	<10 (lbs)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
ER3 - Retraction Speed	6ft/s	TBD	700 RPM Max	More Testing Needed	TBD
ER4 - Temperature	-30 to 160 (F)	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
ER5 - Weight	1lb/ft	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
ER6 - Adjustable	2 - 6 (ft)	TBD	Yes	TBD	TBD
ER7 - Success Rate	100 (%)	100%	So Far	So Far	TBD

Future Work

- Heat shield to be added to the device.
- Testing with different weighted wheels to decrease moment of inertia.
- Fatigue testing on parts.
- Testing in real scenarios, at tilted angles, and different cord sizes.

Questions?

Appendix – Gantt Chart



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