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SOCIETY OF AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERS

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## AERO 101

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- Basics of Aeronautics
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- Aero Society of Automotive Engineers
- Communication & Collaboration
- The Design Process
- Manufacturing
- Team Building Exercise
- Holistic Engineering
- Looking Forward



# Basics of Aeronautics

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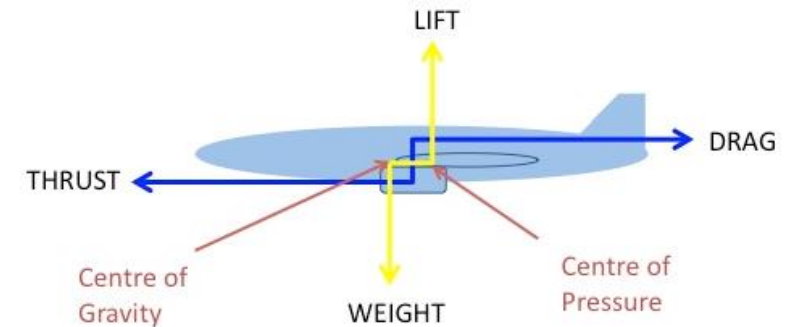
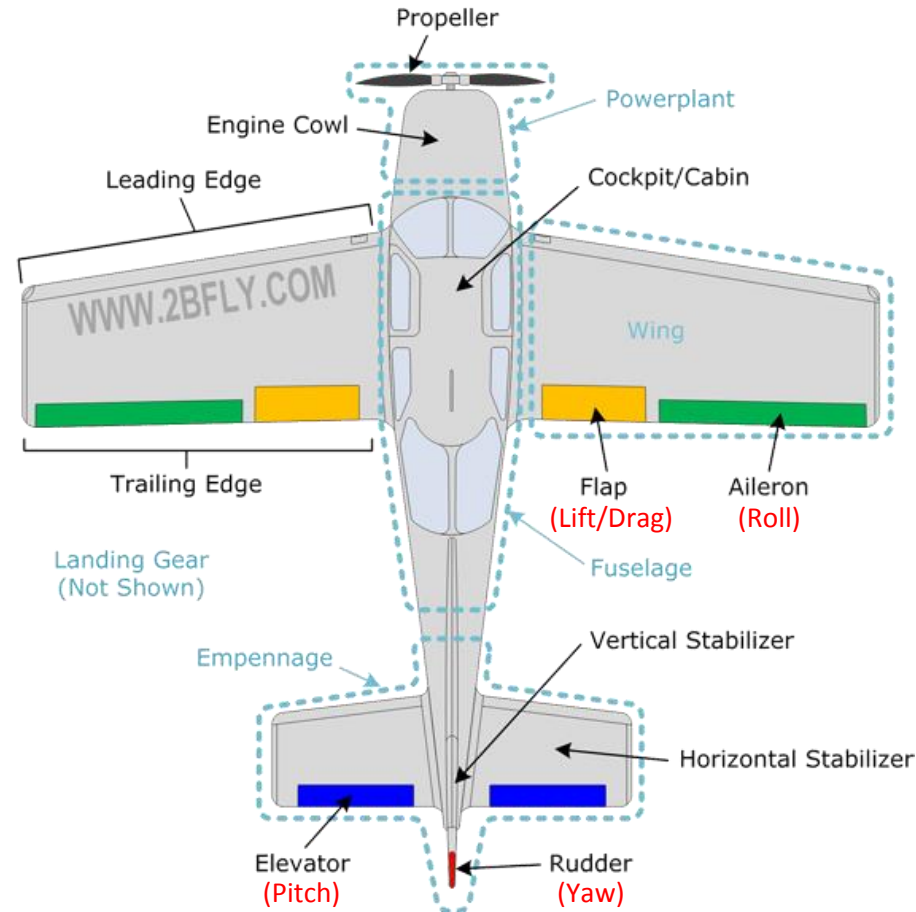
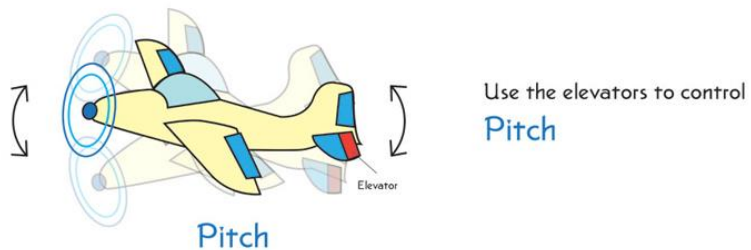
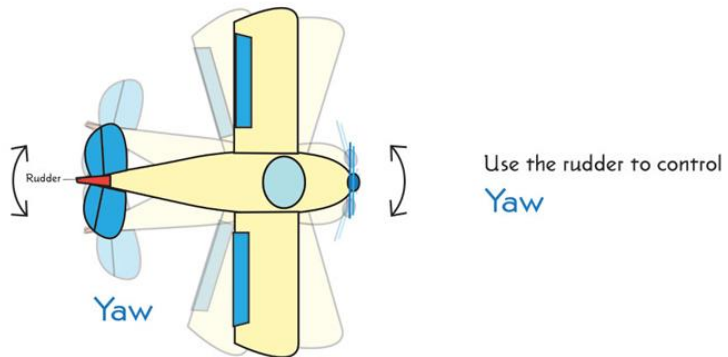
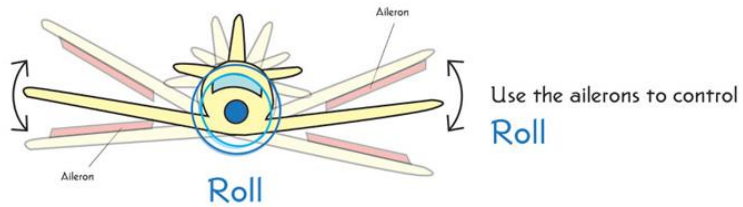
# What is Aeronautics?

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- **AEROSPACE ENGINEERING:** The overall field of engineering concerned with the development of aircraft and spacecraft.
- **AERONAUTICS:** The science or art involved with the study, design, and manufacturing of air flight capable machines, and the techniques of operating aircraft and rockets within the atmosphere
  - **AERODYNAMICS:** The motion of air and the way that it interacts with objects in motion
- **ASTRONAUTICS:** The theory and practice of navigation beyond Earth's atmosphere

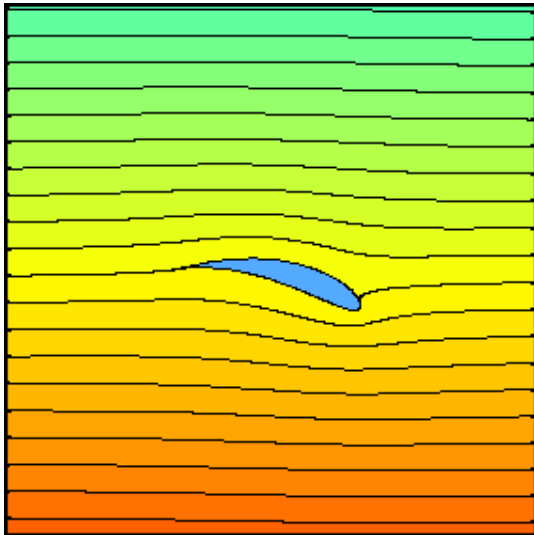
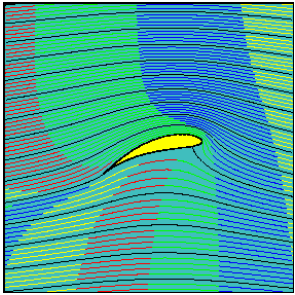


# Anatomy of an Airplane

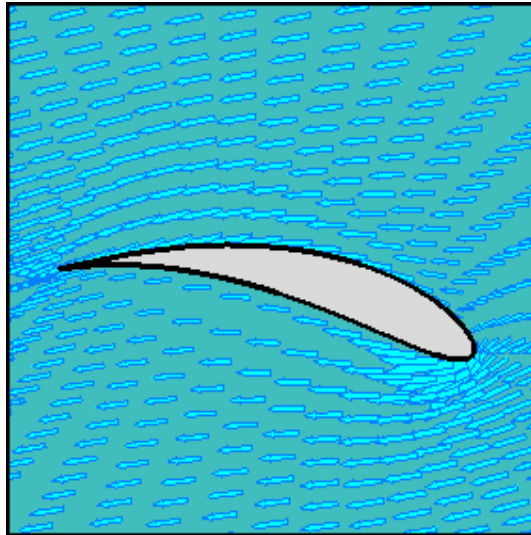


Flight Condition	Effect
Lift > Weight	Aircraft Rises
Lift < Weight	Aircraft Falls
Drag > Thrust	Aircraft Slows
Drag < Thrust	Aircraft Accelerates

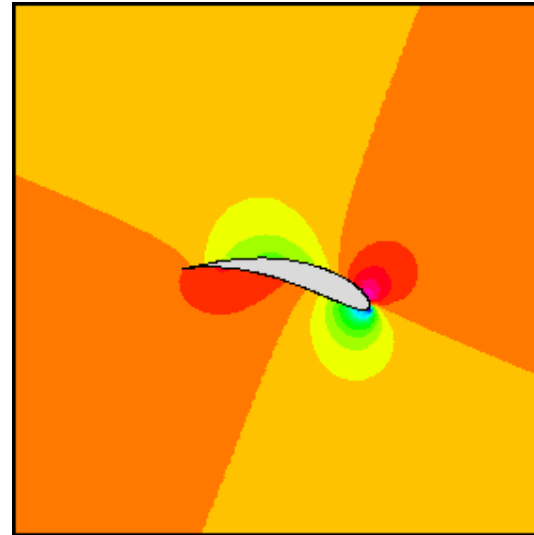
# Flight Mechanisms



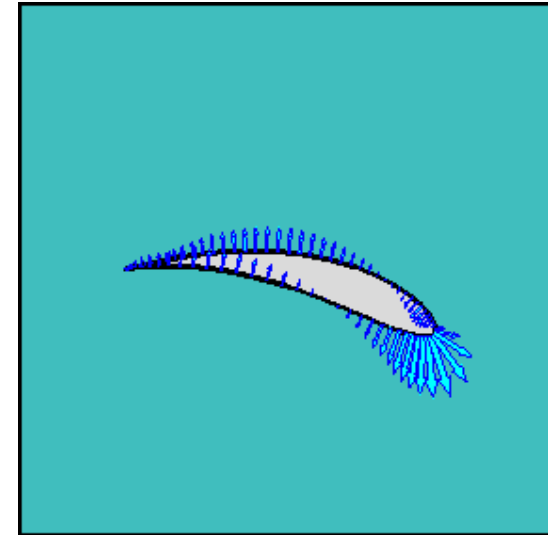
*Stream Lines*



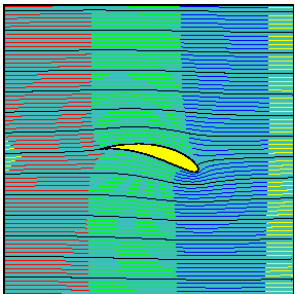
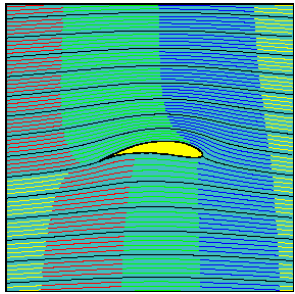
*Velocity Field*



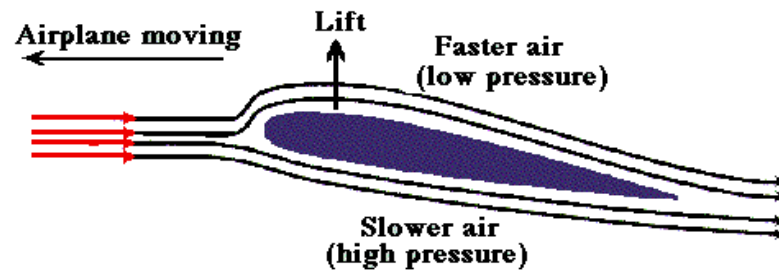
*Pressure Field*



*Forces on the Airfoil*

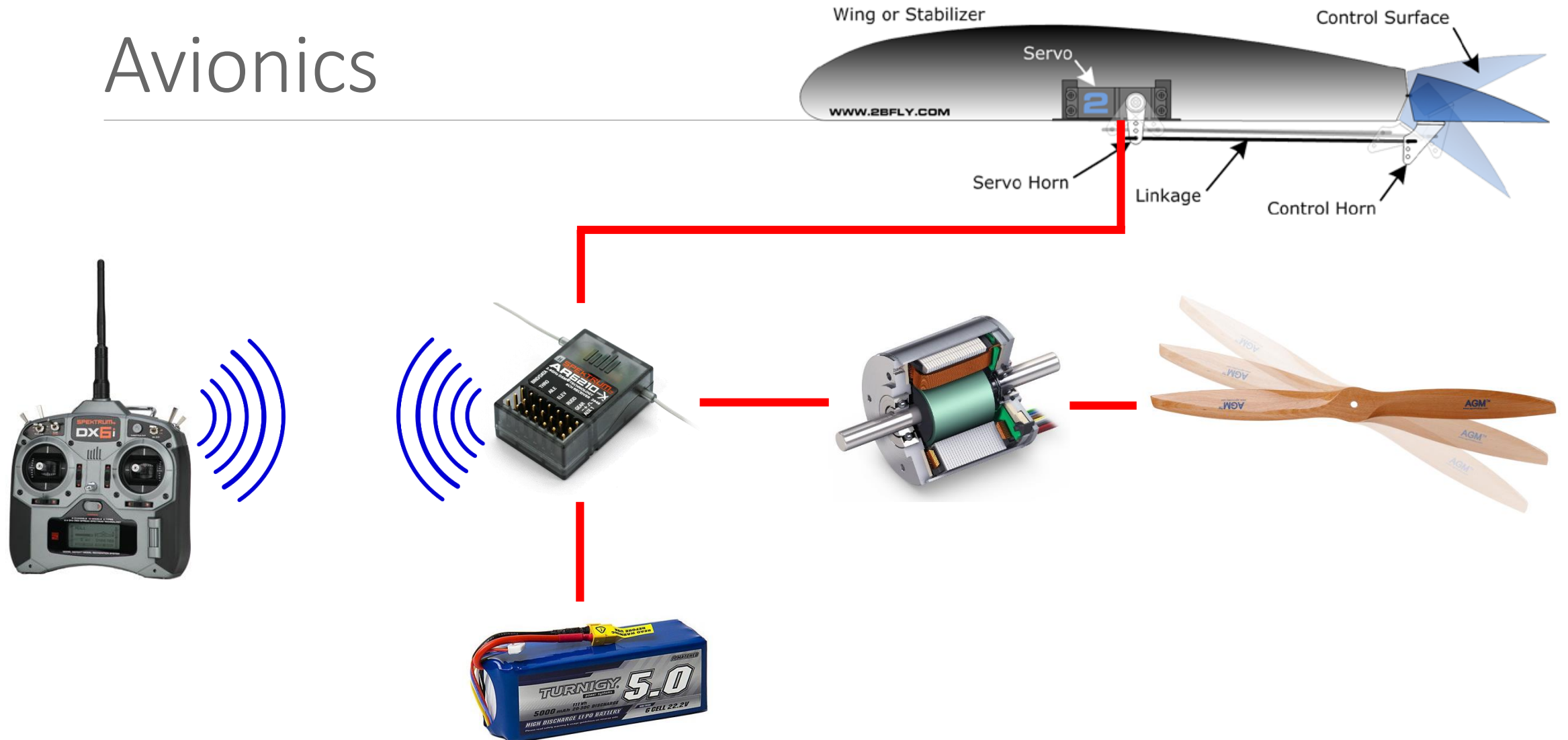


*Streak Lines*



# Avionics

## Control Surface and Linkage



# SAE Aero Design West

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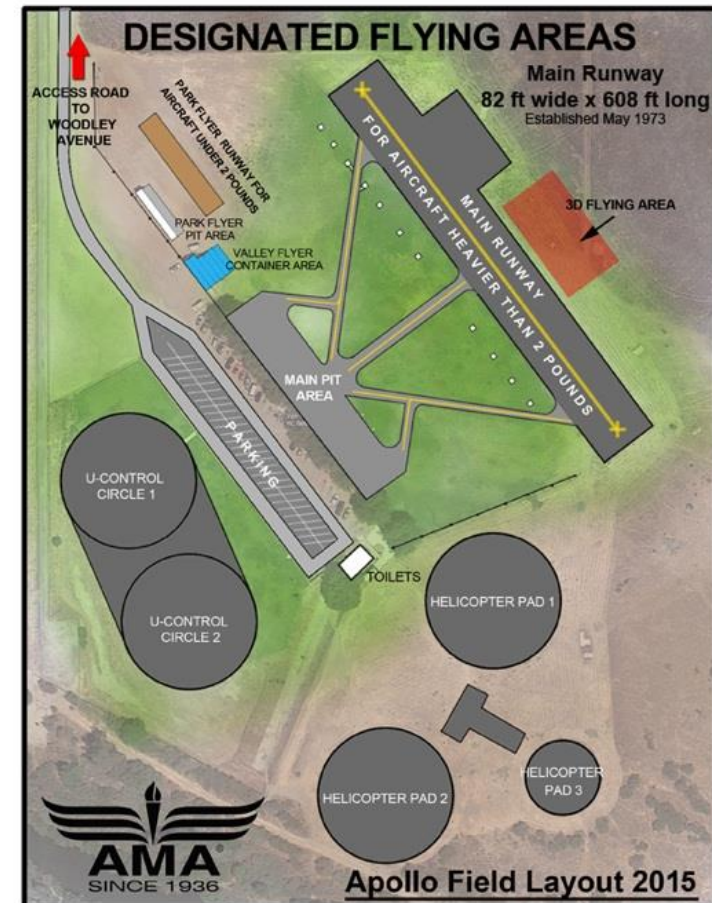
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# About



- Apollo 11 Field
- April 6-8<sup>th</sup>
- 75 teams from around the world
- Competition is sponsored by: Lockheed Martin
  - They actively send recruiters to these competitions
- 3 Different Classes:
  - Micro
  - **Regular**
  - Advanced



# Regular Class

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- To design an aircraft that can generate revenue by carrying as much payload
- Payload will consist of passengers, represented by tennis balls, and luggage, represented by weights
- Accurately predicting the lifting capacity and overall sizing of the aircraft
- Design Restrictions:
  - Must be propelled by a single electric motor with a non-metallic propeller
  - No fiber-reinforced plastics (carbon fiber)
  - Must use a 6-cell battery pack in conjunction with a mandatory power limiter
- Scoring:
  - Technical Inspection/Drawings
  - Technical Presentation
  - Flight Score

# Why?

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- Awards:
  - Elliott & Dorothy Green Overall Regular Class Award - \$1000
  - Regular Class Written Design Report
  - Regular Class Oral Presentation
- Experience:
  - Technical
  - Critical Thinking
  - Interpersonal
  - Teamwork
- Résumé Builder
- Expand your professional and personal networks

# Aero Society of Automotive Engineers

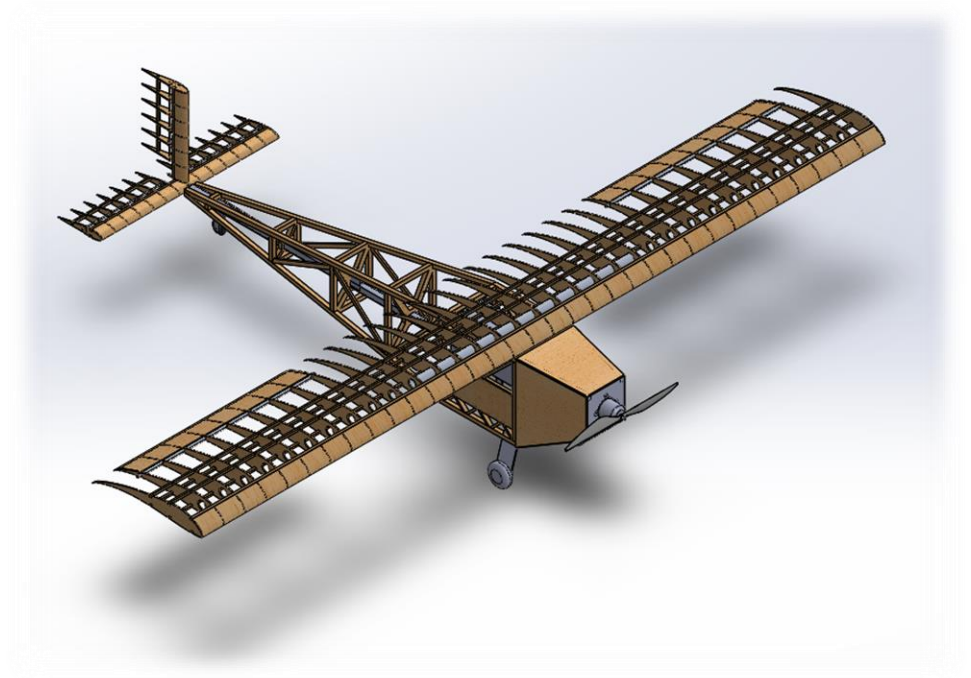
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# About Us

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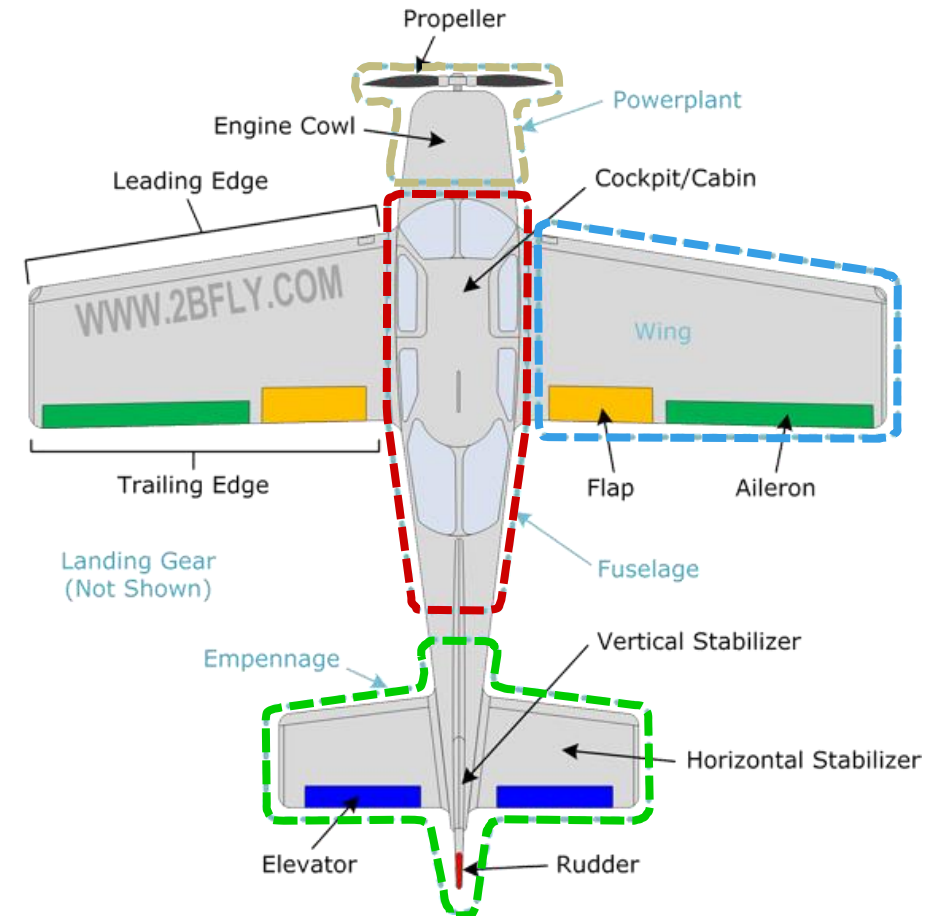
- Founded 2014
- Board of Directors:
  - **President:** Michael O'Donnell ([mho9@pitt.edu](mailto:mho9@pitt.edu))
  - **Business Director:** Rina Zhang ([riz5@pitt.edu](mailto:riz5@pitt.edu))
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  - **Chief Wing Engineer:** Ryan Edelson ([rde13@pitt.edu](mailto:rde13@pitt.edu))
- Academic Advisor: Dr. William "Buddy" Clark



*First build #23*

# Sub-Teams

- **Electronics:** the heart and brains of the aircraft
  - Schematics
  - Thrust Testing
  - Wind Tunnel Testing
- **Fuselage:** the structural backbone of the aircraft
  - Houses payloads & electrical components
  - Landing gear
  - Joins everything together
- **Tail:** providing direction for the aircraft
  - Stability
  - Steering (Yaw)
- **Wing:** the heavy-lifter of the aircraft
  - Aerodynamics
  - Roll



# Communication & Collaboration

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- Contact us at [pittaero@gmail.com](mailto:pittaero@gmail.com)



- **Join our Slack at [pittaero.slack.com](https://pittaero.slack.com)**
  - Main source of communication within the Organization
  - App available for iOS & Android
  - Integrated meeting notifications
  - **MUST use your Pitt Email to register**



- Like our official Facebook Page at: [www.facebook.com/PittAeroSAE/](https://www.facebook.com/PittAeroSAE/)
- Join our Team's Facebook Group at: [www.facebook.com/groups/pittaeroteam](https://www.facebook.com/groups/pittaeroteam)



- Fill out the following form to obtain access to the team's Google Drive and to get swipe access to the Pitt Aero lab here: <https://goo.gl/3ES3K5>



# The Design Process

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# Problem Definition

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- Identify the problem
- Example: The UAV needs a way to securely hold 10 tennis balls to count as passengers
- First Meeting
  - Identify all design problems
  - Designate team members for each problem

# Functional Requirements

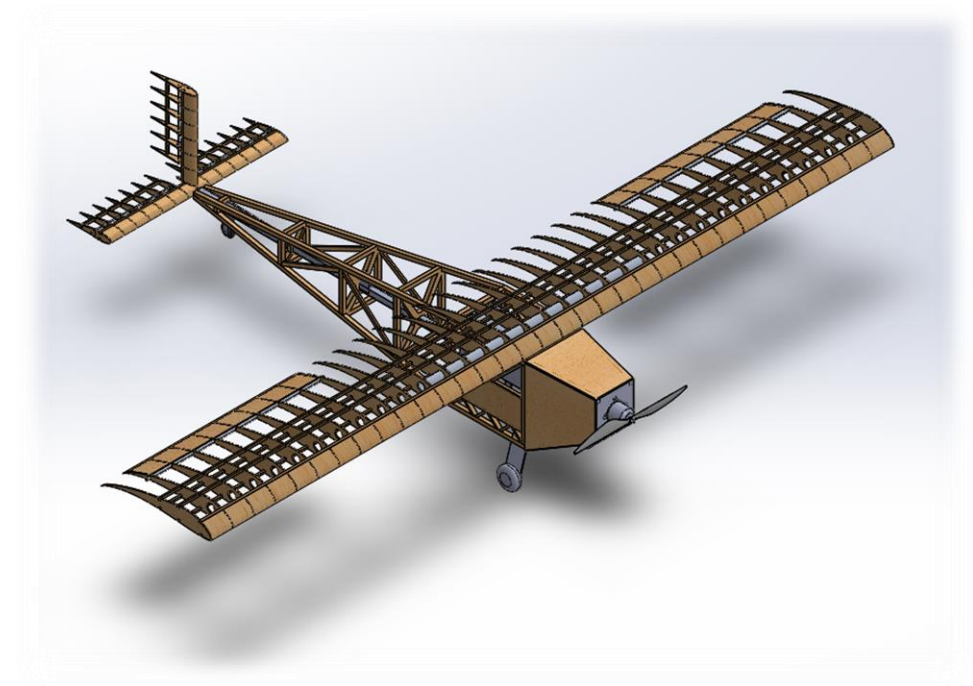
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- Fundamental design constraints
- Ask “What does the design need in order to function?”
- Passenger Bay example
  - Securely hold 10 tennis balls through flight
  - Hold passengers on a single geometric plane
  - Passengers must be 0.25” from each other
  - Passengers must be easily visible for counting
  - Passengers must be easily accessible for loading

# Development Plan

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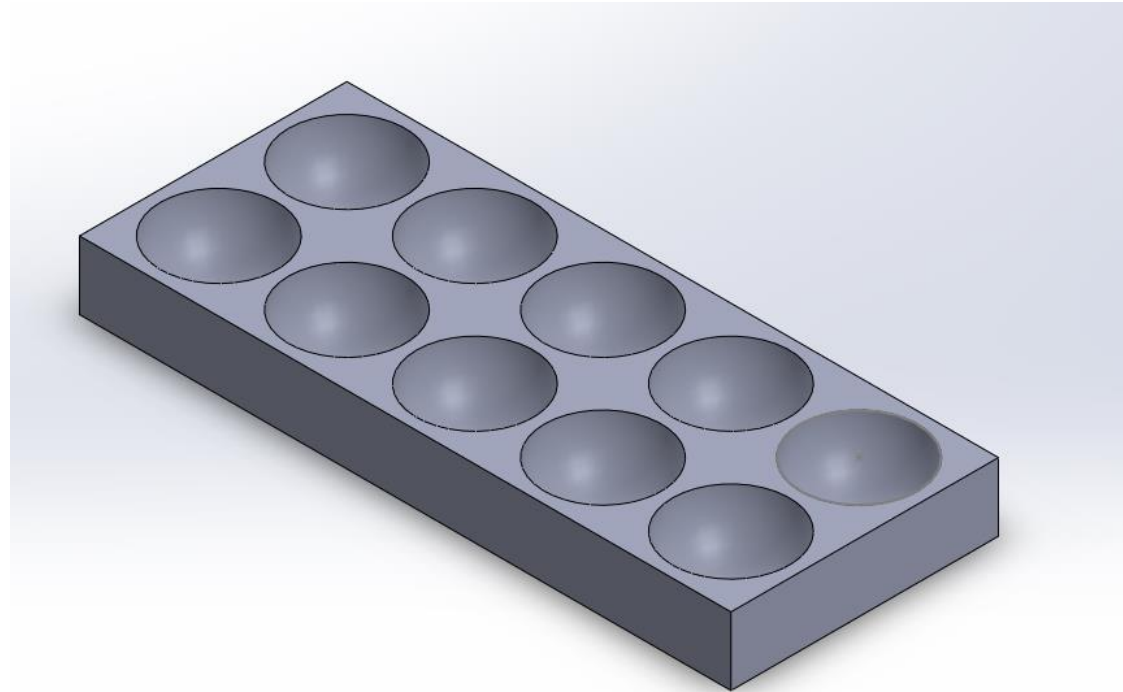
- Chief Engineers control the design plans
  - Timelines
  - Team members for each project
  - Running design document
    - Design reasoning
    - Sketches
    - Models
    - Drawings
    - Calculations



# Design Synthesis

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- Create multiple designs that abide by all functional requirements
  - Solid models
  - Detailed sketches
- Teams
  - Upperclassman MechE
  - Solidworks drafter
  - Design idealists



# Ordering & Manufacturing

- Create Bill of Materials

- Part numbers
- Product description
- Vendor
- Price
- Quantity
- Website link

Bill of Materials						
Part	Size	Vendor	Material	Part Number	Qty.	Price \$
Gear 1	6 mm bore x 12 teeth	Stock Drive Products	Acetal (no insert)	A 1M 2MYZ10012A	1	\$4.23
Gear 2	8 mm bore x 48 teeth	Stock Drive Products	Acetal (no insert)	A 1M 2MYZ10048	1	\$6.49
Gear 3	12 mm bore x 140 teeth	Stock Drive Products	Acetal (no insert)	A 1M 2MYZ10140	1	\$14.08
Shaft 1	6 mm OD x 100 mm	Stock Drive Products	303 Stainless Steel	A 7X 1M060100	1	\$5.74
Shaft 2	8 mm OD x 100 mm	Stock Drive Products	303 Stainless Steel	A 7X 1M080100	1	\$5.28
Shaft 3	12 mm OD x 150 mm	Stock Drive Products	303 Stainless Steel	A 7X 1M120150	1	\$12.98
Bearing 1	6 mm ID	McMaster-Carr	Nylon with Plastic Housing	6687K32	1	\$3.67
Bearing 2	8 mm ID	McMaster-Carr	Nylon with Plastic Housing	6687K33	1	\$4.42
Bearing 3	12 mm ID	McMaster-Carr	Nylon with Plastic Housing	6687K35	1	\$6.44
3M Epoxy	Scotch Weld 37 ml	Grainger	2-Part Metal to Plastic included	2RUC8	1	\$31.45
Wood	Scrap		Pine	N/A	N/A	\$0.00
Disco Ball	200 mm OD		Plastic/mirrored	N/A	1	\$0.00
					Total	\$94.78

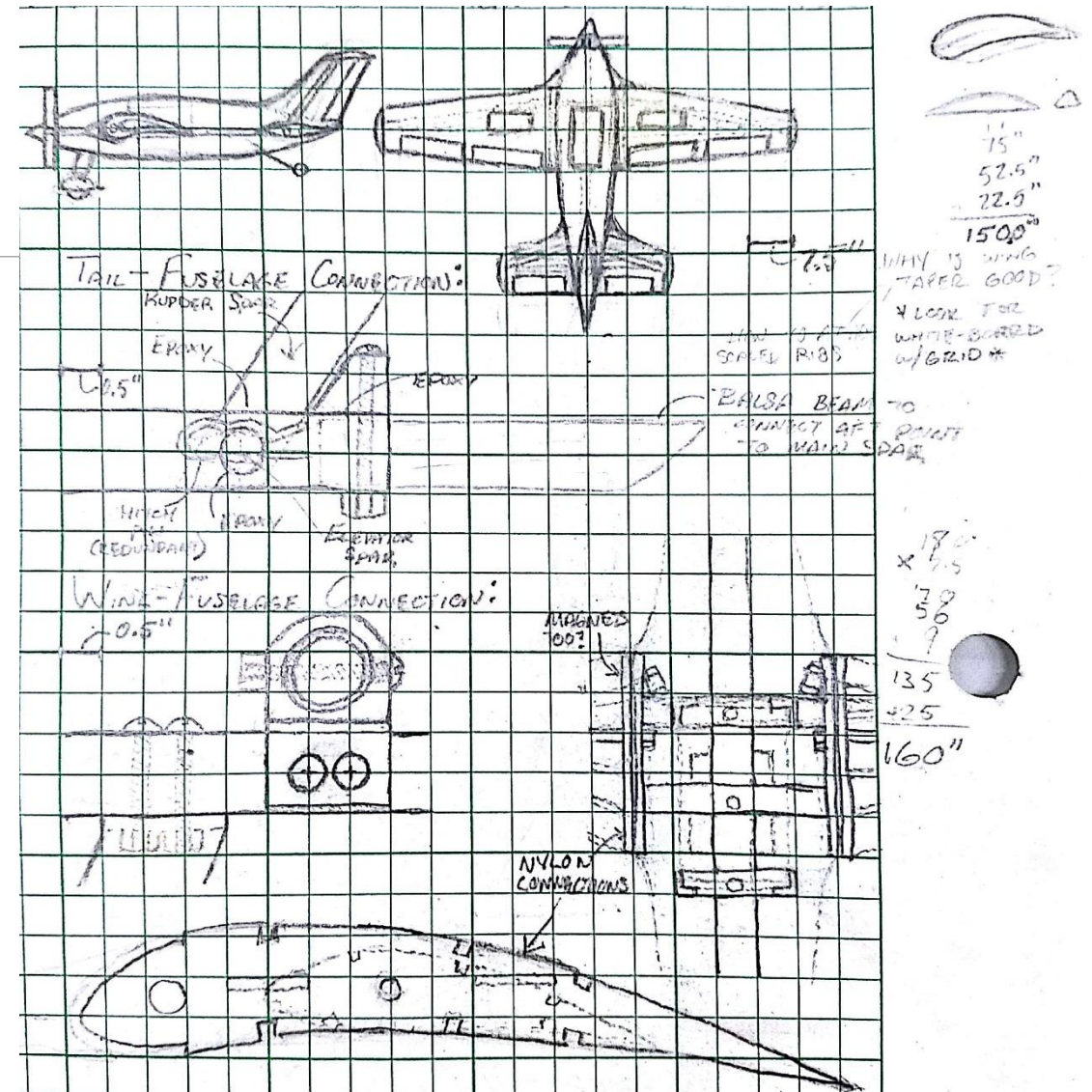
- Order parts

- Send BOMs to  
Technical Director, Chief Engineers

- Begin Manufacturing

# Modeling Tips

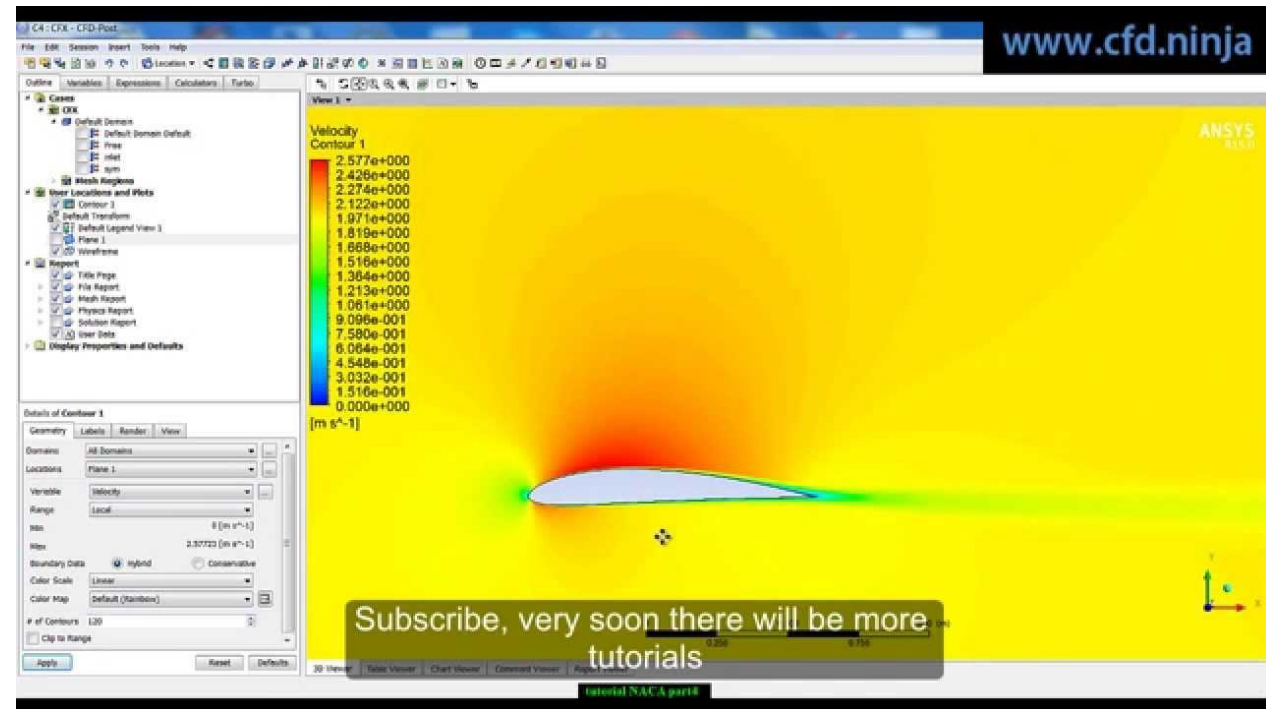
- Make a hand sketch first
- Don't make 1 huge running part
- Constrain everything
- Specify materials
  - Center of Mass calculations
- Follow naming scheme
  - Description\_TEAM\_initials
    - Passenger Bay\_FUSE\_RAB.assy
    - Tennis balls\_FUSE\_NEP.stp
    - Seats\_FUSE\_MLO.stp
    - Passenger bay base\_FUSE\_JTB.stp





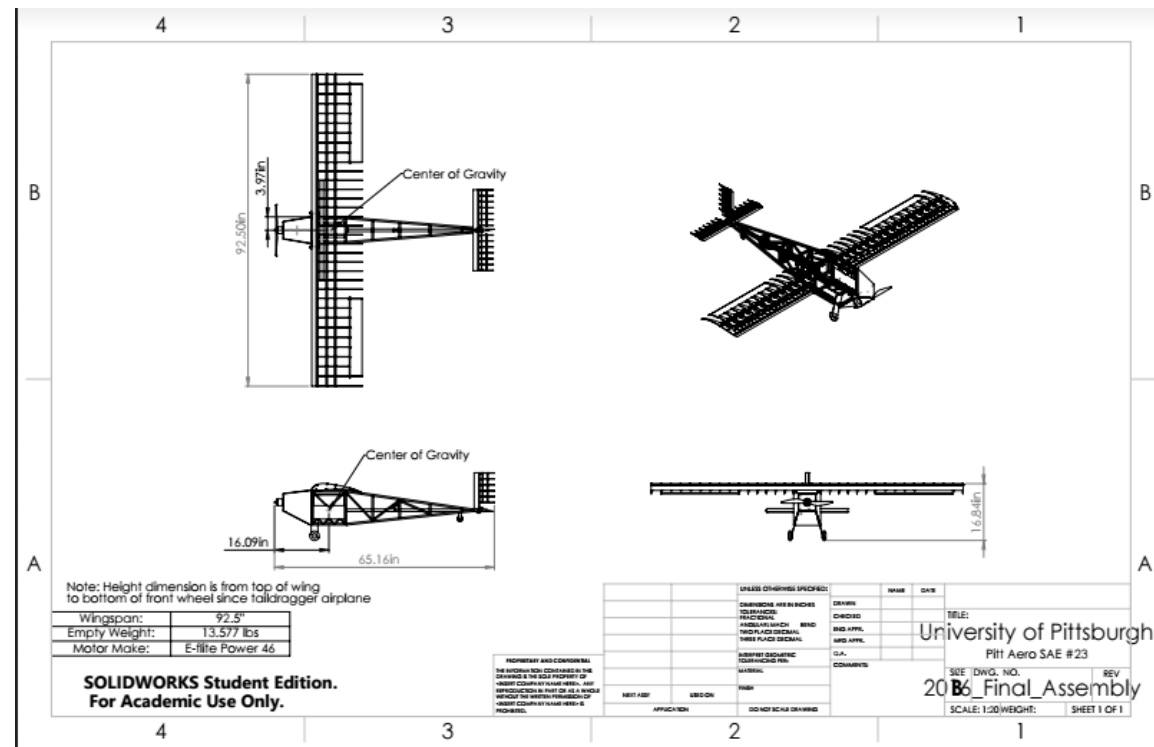
# Design Analysis & Optimization

- Choose a single design
  - Functionality
  - Machinability
- Optimize the design
  - Make smaller
  - Cheaper
  - Aesthetics
- Calculations
  - Hand calcs
  - ANSYS simulation



# Finalization & Documentation

- Finalize Model
  - Tolerances
  - Materials
  - Bolts/screws
  - Review calculations
- Make 2D Drawings
  - Dimensions
  - Prep for presentation
- Complete design document

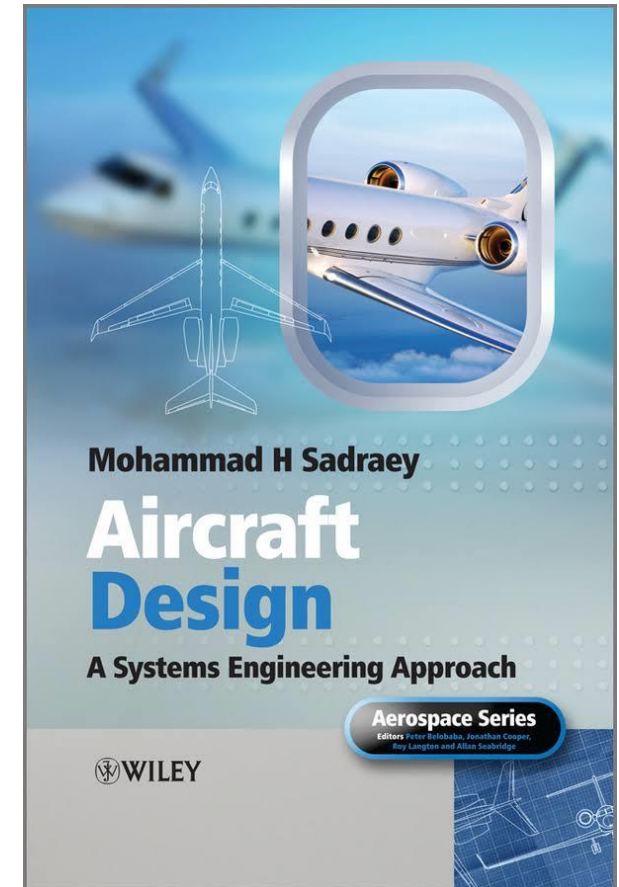




# Resources

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- President, Technical Director, Chief Engineers, Team members
- *Aircraft Design: A Systems Engineering Approach*
  - by Mohammad H. Sadraey
- Prior Technical Report
- Pitt Aero Team Handbook





# Manufacturing

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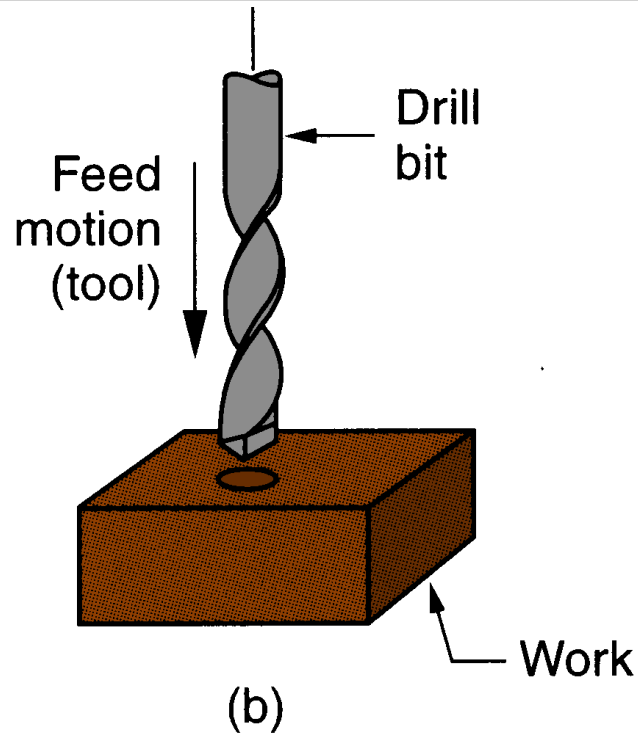
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# Conventional Machining

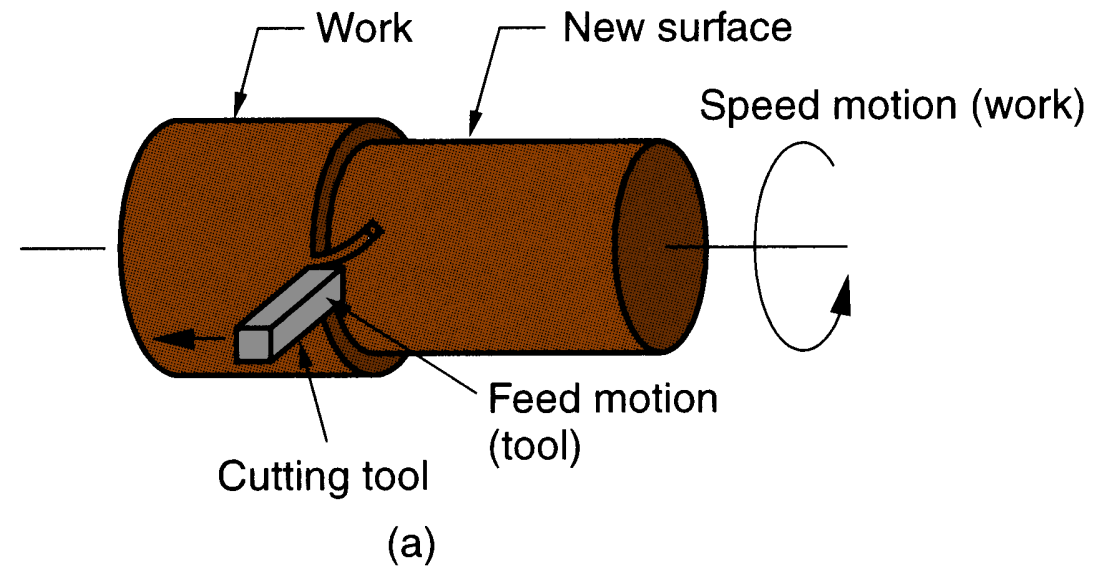
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WHERE A SHARP, HARD TOOL IS USED TO CUT AWAY MATERIAL

# Machining Operations: Drill Press & Lathe

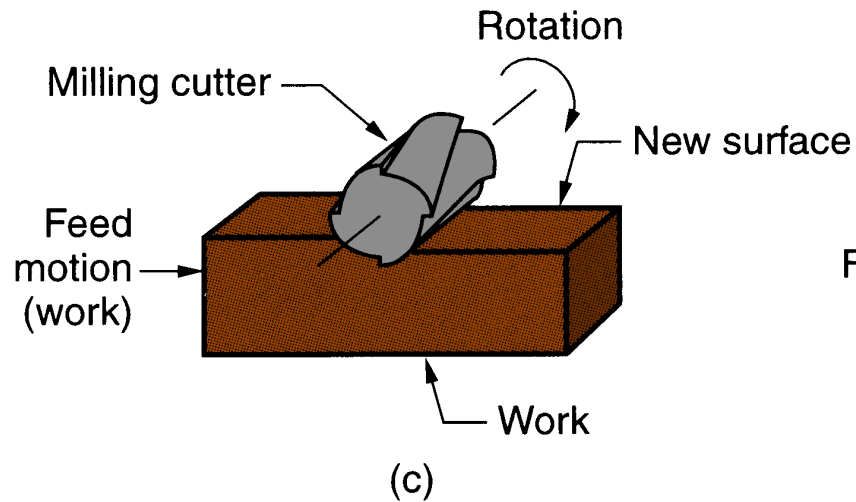


**Drilling:** create round holes and drill bit had two or more cutting surfaces. Tool moves parallel to its axis.

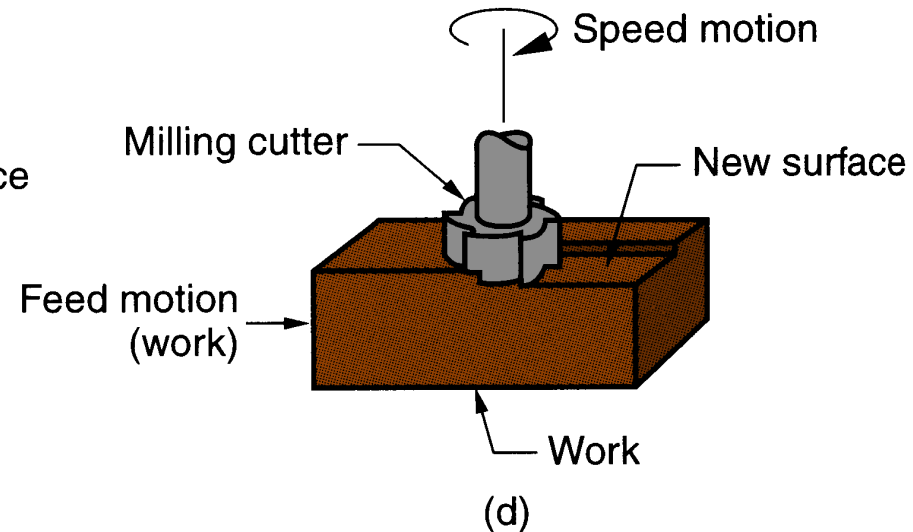


**Turning:** cutting tool has one edge and reduces diameter of a spinning work piece. Tool moves perpendicular to the work piece axis and feed is parallel to axis

# Machining Operations: Milling



**Peripheral milling**



**Face milling**

**Milling:** rotating tools have multiple cutting edges is moved along surface of the work piece to give a flat surface. If tool spins on axis parallel to work surface it is called peripheral milling. If the tool rotates on axis perpendicular to the work surface it is called face milling.

# Additive Manufacturing

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WHERE MATERIAL IS **ADDED LAYER BY LAYER**

# Additive Manufacturing

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- MakerBot Replicators
  - 9.9 L x 7.8 W x 5.9 H
- ABS vs. PLA Filaments
  - ABS- Stronger, works only with MakerBot Replicator 2X
  - PLA- Better for sharp edges, works with all MakerBots
- Tolerances/Restrictions
  - 0.02" tolerance for tight fits
  - 0.04" tolerance for loose fits
  - 45° angle maximum for any sort of slopes



# Automated Manufacturing

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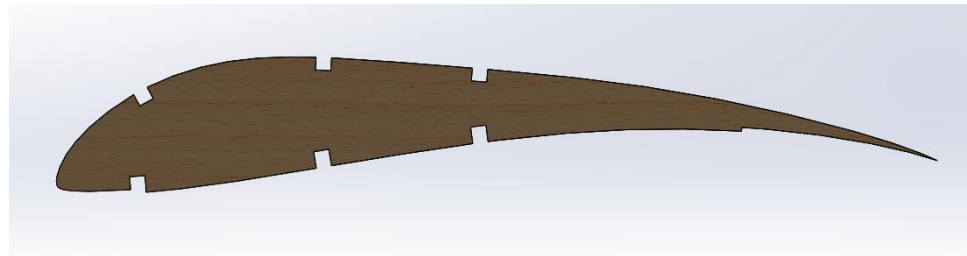
WHERE THE MACHINE DOES **EVERYTHING FOR YOU**



# Automated Manufacturing

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- CNC Machining (Computer Numerical Controlled)
  - Uses multiple traditional machining techniques
  - Combines CAD & CAM software to machine parts
- Laser Cutting- Should be utilized as often as possible
  - Up to 3/8" thick balsa
  - Up to 1/2" MDF
  - Up to 1/8" Sheet Steel
  - No Aluminum (reflectivity)
  - No plastics (melting)



# Designing for Manufacturability

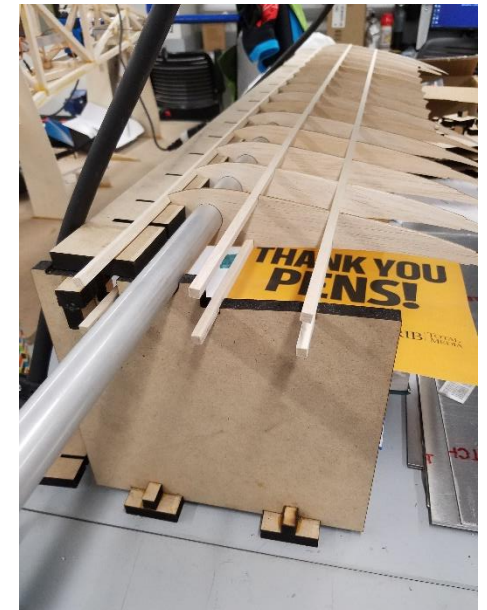
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NO MATTER HOW GREAT YOUR DESIGN IS, IF YOU CAN'T MAKE IT  
YOU'VE ACCOMPLISHED NOTHING GREATER THAN DRAWING A  
PRETTY PICTURE

# Jigging and Ease of Assembly

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- **Jigging:** supports the aircraft components so that we can piece it together
- **To increase the ease of assembly:**
  1. Reduce the amount of handwork involved with laying everything up
  2. Utilize as much automated manufacturing as possible because machines are better than humans
  3. 3D print anything that would be impossible to build out of balsa or metal
  4. Increase the amount of mechanical joints
  5. Decrease the need for epoxy joining

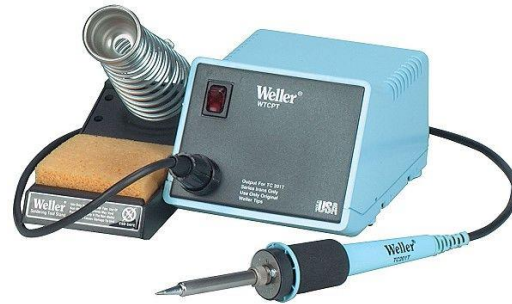


# Manufacturing Capabilities

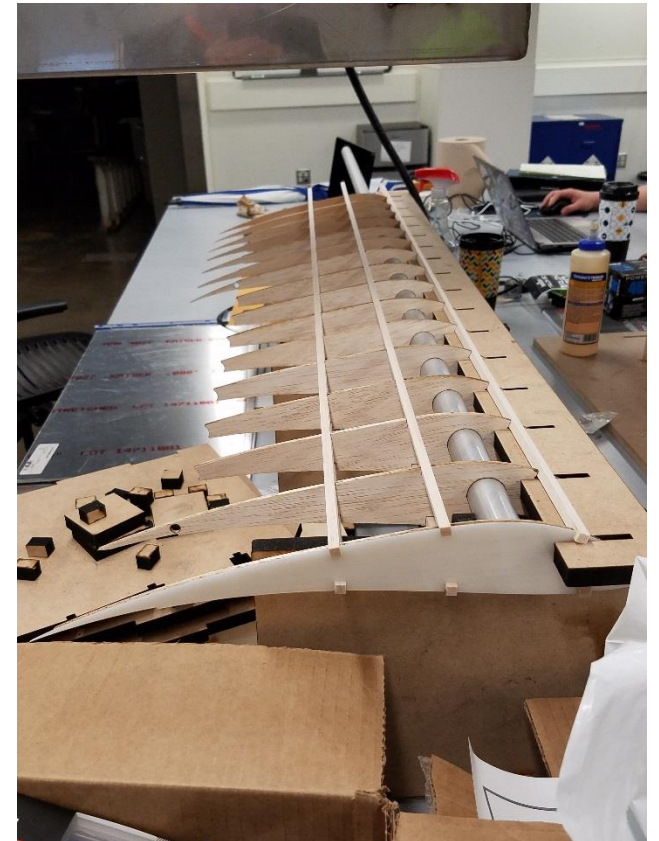
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# Pitt Aero Lab

- Jig-Saw
- Drill Set
- Cutting Tools
- Shaving Tools
- Wire cutters
- Soldering Kit
- Digital Multi-Meter
- Clamps
- Sandpaper
- Adhesives
- Calipers
- Miter-Saw
- And More



- What we do in the lab
  - Plane Assembly
  - Testing
  - Storage
  - Prep for Machining



# Swanson Center for Product Innovation

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- Machine shop in the Ground floor of Benedum Hall (past the elevators)
- Main contact: Andy Holmes ([jholmes@pitt.edu](mailto:jholmes@pitt.edu))
- Must take a 66 multiple-choice safety test in order to utilize any of the machines in there (PDF in Drive)
- Capabilities:
  - CNC
  - Lathe
  - Mill
  - Laser cutter
  - various 3D printers
  - Vertical band saw
  - Horizontal band saw
  - Drill press
  - Sheet bender
  - Hand tools
- Andy & his staff will help you learn on any of these machines if given enough notice
- **DO NOT** go to the SCPI to ask for help without letting your Chief Engineer know

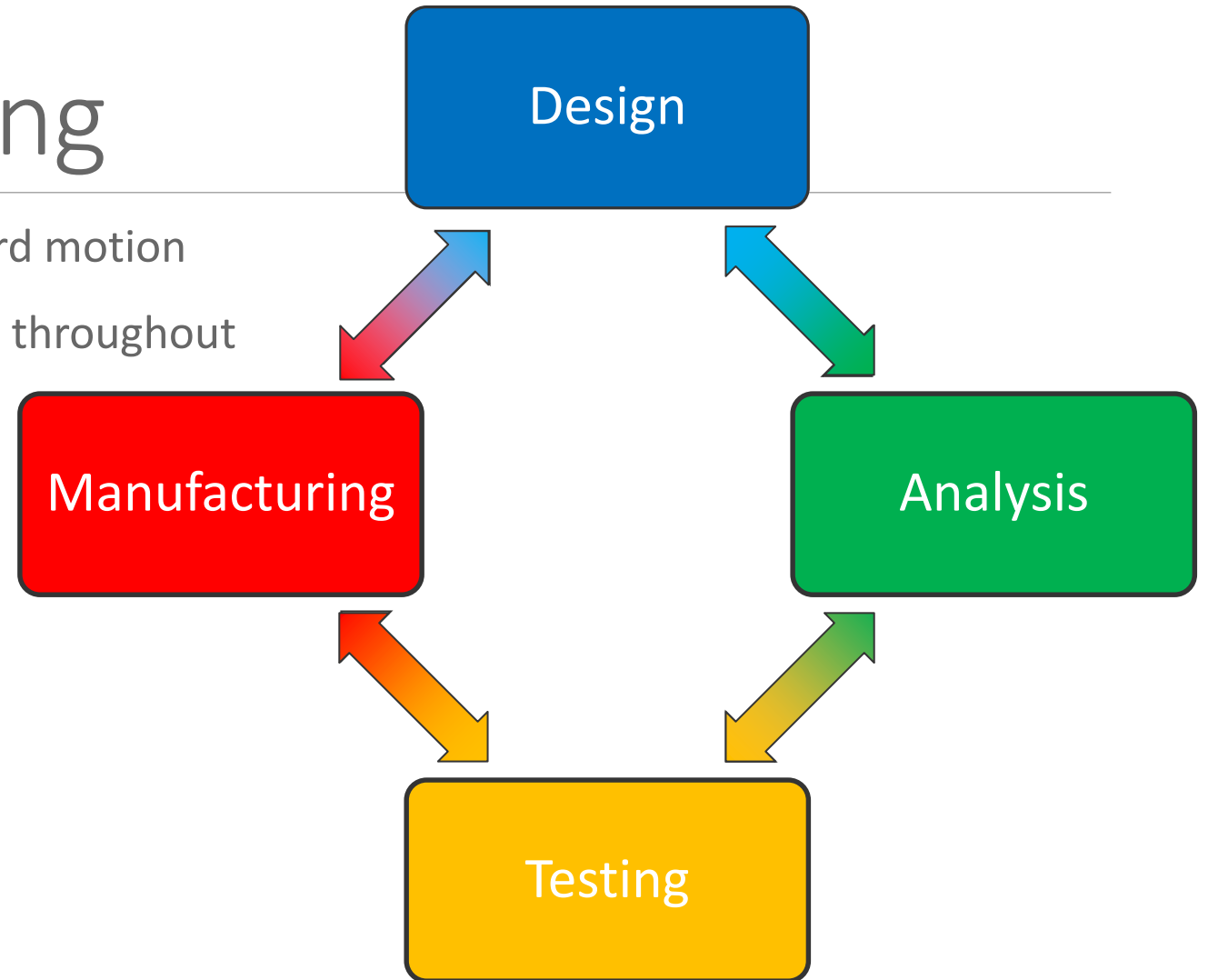
# Team Building Exercise

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REVIEW OF AERODYNAMICS & THE DESIGN PROCESS

# Holistic Engineering

- Engineering does not happen in a forward motion
- All four of these areas must be balanced throughout





# Looking Forward

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- Join Sub-team Channels on Slack
  - Make sure you notification settings are switched to “All” instead of the default “only when mentioned”
- Be on lookout for When2Meet posts in Slack
  - Both for sub-team meetings and Chemical Hygiene Certificate for Pitt Aero Lab swipe access
- Read SAE Aero Design 2017 Rules (Regular Class only)  
<http://students.sae.org/cds/aerodesign/rules/>
- Explore resources available to you in our Google Drive (Download Solidworks)
- Special Projects for this year:
  - Wind Tunnel
  - Current Limiter & PID card
- Don't be afraid to ask questions!