AE705 / AE 153M GLIDER ASSIGNMENT

Weightage: 20%

REQUIREMENTS:

Each team will fabricate glider(s) for addressing the following requirements, when launched from the third floor of the Lecture Hall Complex Foyer:

- 1) It should hit the blue pillar on the opposite side. If it does not hit the pillar, then it should maximize the net distance travelled (*Range*), i.e., the total length covered minus the lateral deviation from the straight line path to the point of contact.
- 2) It should maximize the total time in the air (*Endurance*), i.e., the time between launch and hitting any object.

These requirements, and videos of a previous competition can also be seen at: https://youtu.be/cu1v8EnTzl4

The competition will be held on Thursday 27th September from 21-00 onwards in the Lecture Hall Complex Foyer.

Each team is required to upload Reports as follows:

- Progress Report 1 by 23:55 on Fri 21st Sep, containing the description of design features to be provided in the glider(s), and proposed schedule of work.
- Progress Report 2 by 23:55 on Wed 26th Sep, containing photos of the work in progress and final gliders, and YouTube links of the videos of trials conducted.
- Final Report by 23:55 on Sun 30th Sep, containing important lessons learnt during this assignment, and suggestions for change(s) in problem statement of this assignment when conducted in future.

RULES:

- a) Teams can fabricate a separate glider to address each of the above requirements, or use the same one, with or without modifications, to address both the requirements.
- b) There is no restriction on size, weight and material of the glider(s). Tumbling and rotating glider designs are not permitted for maximizing *Endurance*. Ballistic trajectory is not permitted for maximizing *Range*.
- c) The glider should be launched by hand by any team member, within ten seconds of receiving the *go ahead* signal from the judge(s).
- d) Each Team will be given two trials for each competition, and the best *Range* and *Endurance* attained during these trials will be counted while scoring.
- e) The decisions of the judge(s) will be final and non-negotiable.

SCORING SCHEME

| $Score = 100 * (0.35 \frac{Range}{Highest \ Range} + 0.35 \frac{Endurance}{Highest \ Endurance} + 0.30 \frac{Report \ Marks}{Highest \ Report \ Marks})$ | |
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| Range | = best Range obtained by a given team, |
| Highest Range | = best Range obtained by any team, |
| Endurance | = best Endurance obtained by a given team, |
| Highest Endurance | = best Endurance obtained by any team, |
| Report Marks | = Marks obtained by a given team for the two Progress and the Final Reports. |
| Highest Report Marks | = Highest marks obtained by any team for the two Progress and the Final Reports. |