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SOLAR SPLASH - CARNEGIE MELLON SOLAR RACING







What?

- Fabricated boat hull for a solar racing competition out of carbon fiber
- Performed a needs analysis to initiate the design process

How?

- Built small scale **prototypes** to test ideas
- Made a female mold out of foam and Duratec StyroShield

Results

 Finished 11th overall completing a 200 meter speed trial in 20.63 seconds and an endurance trial lasting 17 kilometers on purely solar power

BUGGY RACING - CARNEGIE MELLON SWEEPSTAKES





What?

- Raced unpowered carbon fiber vehicles in yearly race
- Custom built buggy to fit our driver

How?

- Designed on SolidWorks using driver measurements
- Used acrylic molds made with a CNC machine

Results

- Finished 1st overall out of 23 teams
- Reached a top speed of 40mph

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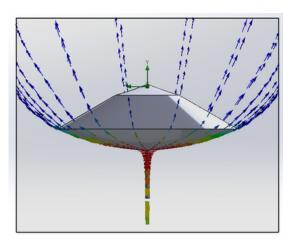
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SENIOR CAPSTONE - MECHANICAL DESIGN





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What?

- Created a wind resistant umbrella prototype that does not flip inside out
- Conducted user surveys and field tests

How?

- Used SolidWorks CFD and FEA features for design
- 3D Printed parts for rapid prototyping and to meet deadlines

Results

 A large, lightweight umbrella weighing 2.3 pounds capable of resisting winds of up to 45mph without inverting

ROBOTICS CAPSTONE - ROBOT KINEMATICS AND DYNAMICS







What?

 Programmed a robotic arm to stack a Jenga tower as high as possible in 3 minutes

How?

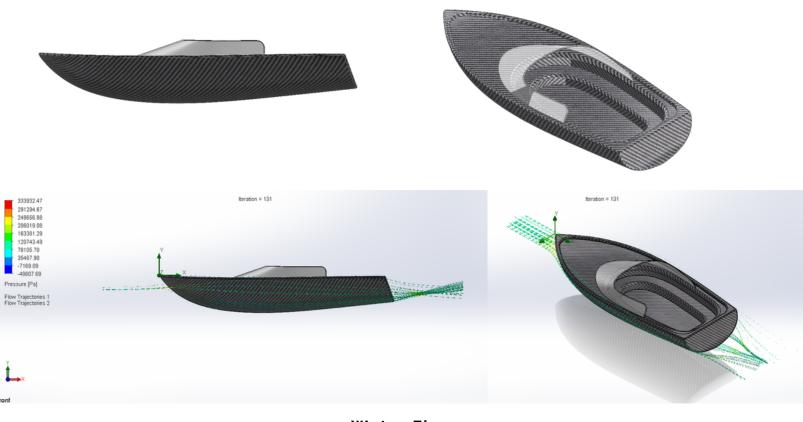
- Fine tuned the arms PID controller to ensure stability
- Used a series of waypoints and inverse kinematics to map out the arms path

Results

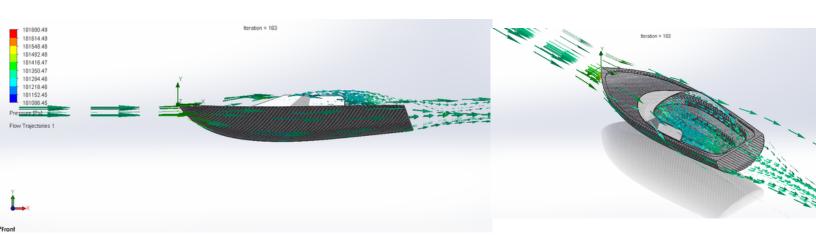
 Stacked a Jenga tower 6 layers high in under 3 minutes with high precision

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SPEED BOAT MOCK UP - PERSONAL PROJECT



Water Flow



Air Flow

- Practiced using SolidWorks by designing a small speed boat and conducting flow analysis for both air and water.
- Applied material properties by making the hull out of **carbon fiber** and the windshield out of glass.