

From the Ground Up, UND's Race to Space

Advanced Rocketry Club (ARC)



Challenge

- Design, construct, and launch a liquid fueled rocket
- Apogee at 100km
- University led team



- Inclusive university wide organization
- Teach students, faculty, and the community members about rocketry
- Give students practical experience in the rocketry field before they go into a career.
- Increase public awareness of the UND educational abilities
- Be the first university to launch to an altitude of 100 km

Timeline

- Mar - 2019 - Preliminary Design Review (PDR)
- Apr - 2019 - Stripe Launch
- May - 2019 - 1st Subscale Solid Fueled Launch
- Oct - 2019 - 1st Static Test Fire
- Mar - 2020 – Critical Design Review (CDR)
- May - 2020 - 1st Launch

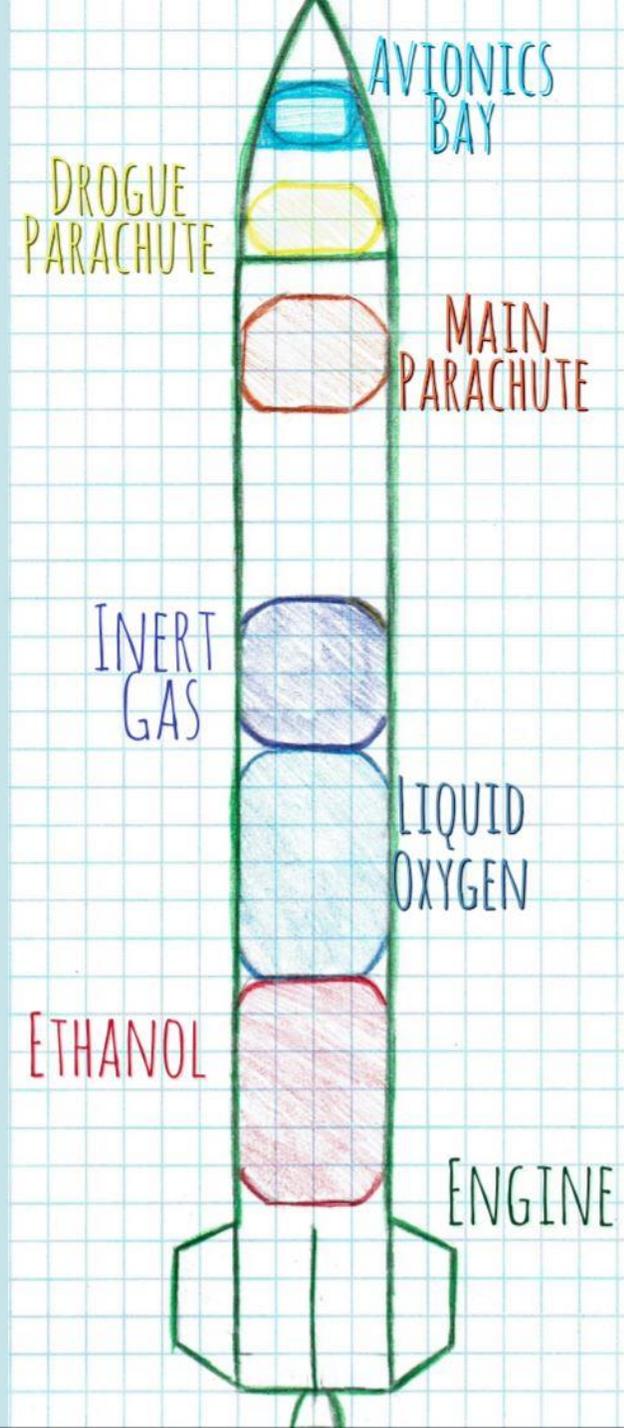


TARGET ALTITUDE
100 KILOMETERS

TOTAL THRUST
2600 POUNDS

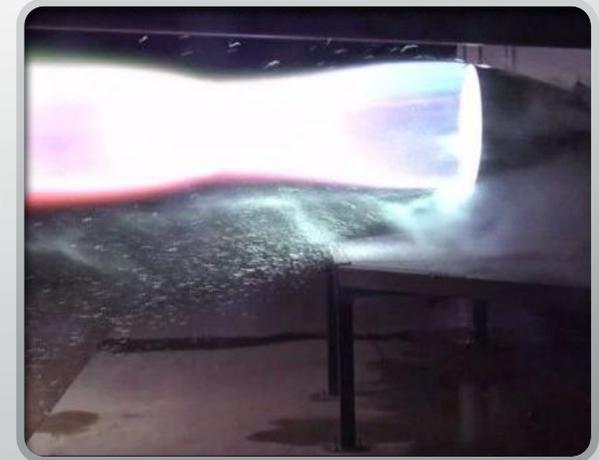
SPECS
30 FEET TALL
2 FOOT DIAMETER

SECTIONS
AVIONICS BAY
PAYLOAD BAY
ENGINE BAY



Propulsion- Engine Design

- 30 gallon of fuel and LOX per minute
- Electric motors to drive pumps



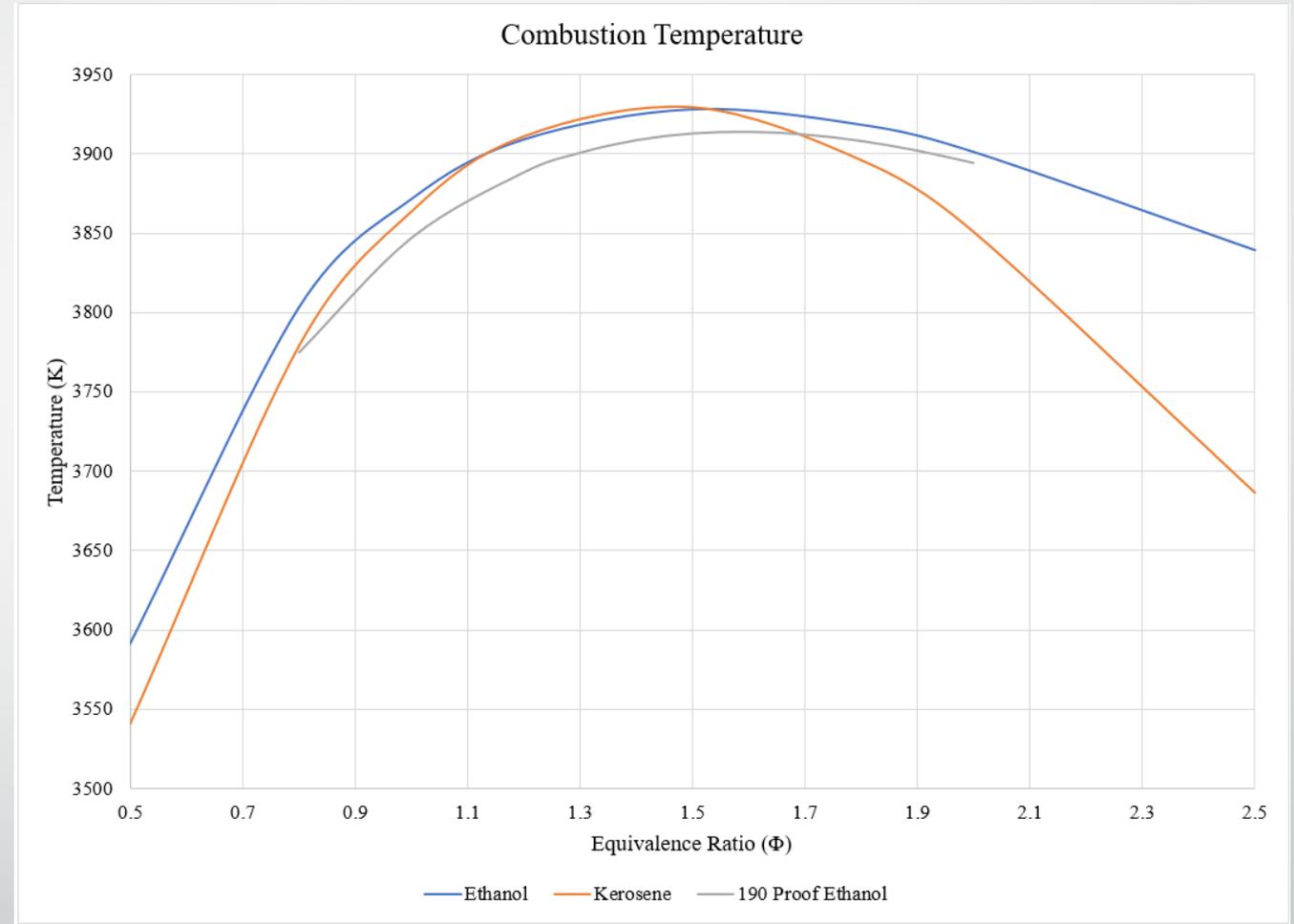
Engine Nozzle

- Milled in fuel and LOX lines for cooling
- Swirler for proper fuel mixture
- 2600 lbs. of thrust



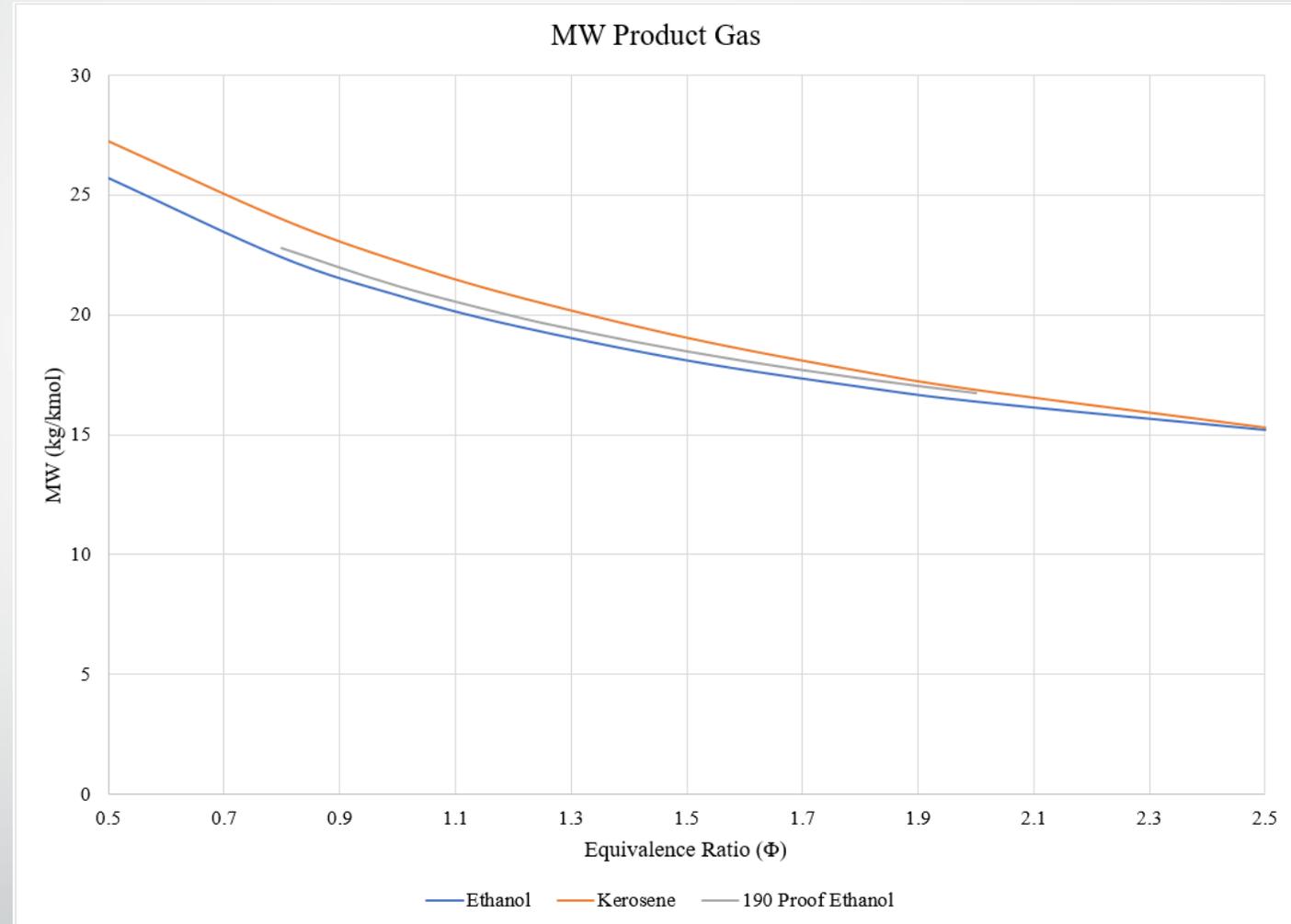
Propulsion- Propellant Selection

- LOX chosen as oxidizer
 - Cheap
 - Non-toxic
 - Commonly employed
- 190 Proof Ethanol chosen as fuel
 - Cheap/Accessible
 - Renewable ("Green")
 - Negligible sooting
 - High combustion temperature
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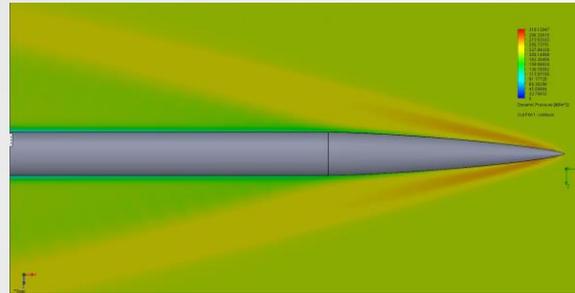
Testing and Analysis

- Vertical test stand
- Made to house full sized rocket
- Using shipping containers
- Bunker for team
- Horizontal loading, vertical firing
- Hydraulic lifts

Flight Dynamics and Structure

- Nose Cone

- Tungsten Tip
 - Supersonic/Subsonic Flow
- Computational Fluid Dynamics
 - Predict laminar/turbulent transition

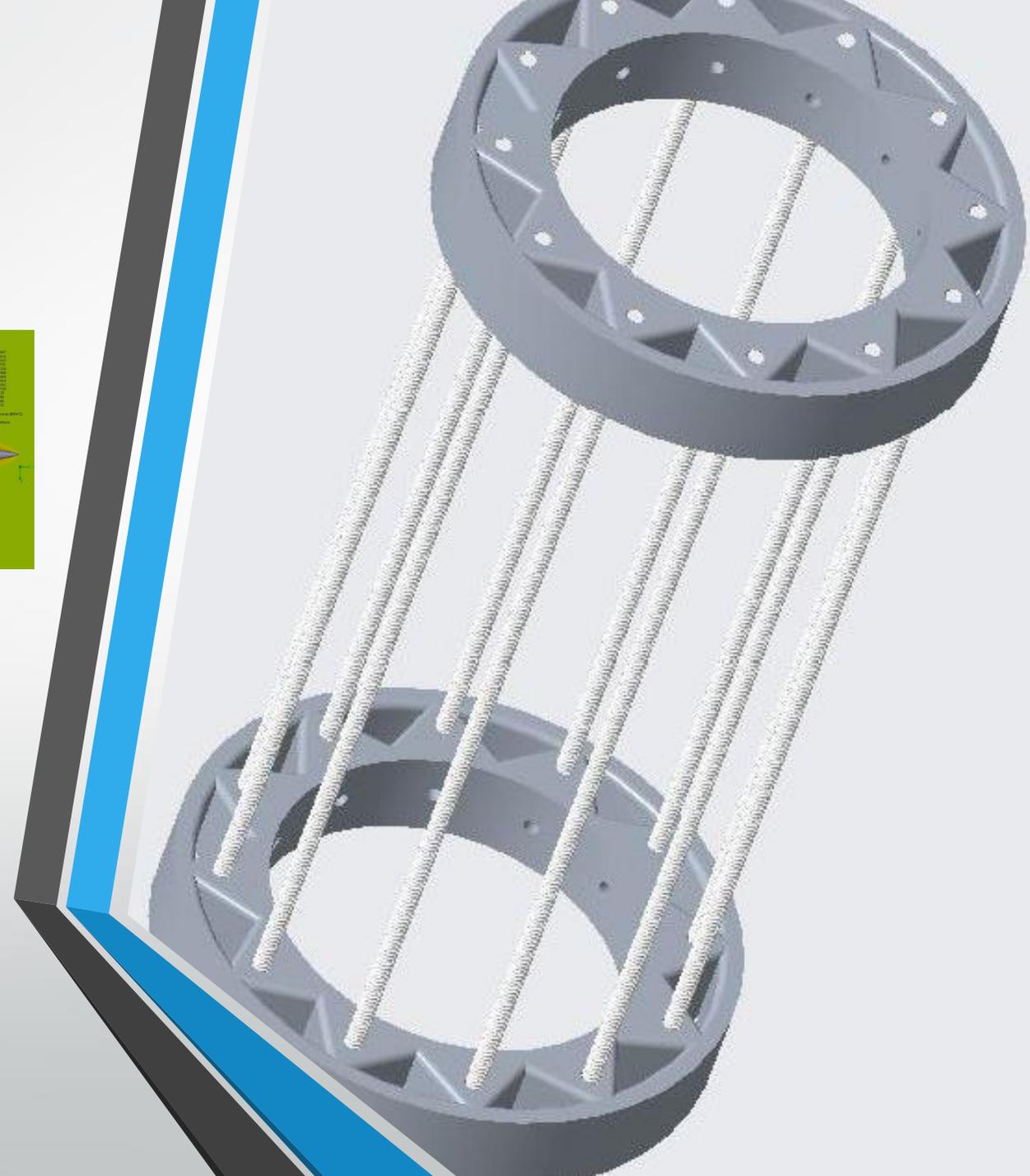


- Connecting Rods

- Threaded Aluminum

- Structural Plates

- Magnesium Alloy AZ 31B H24
 - Melting Point – 1190 °F
 - Density – 0.0639 lbs/in²



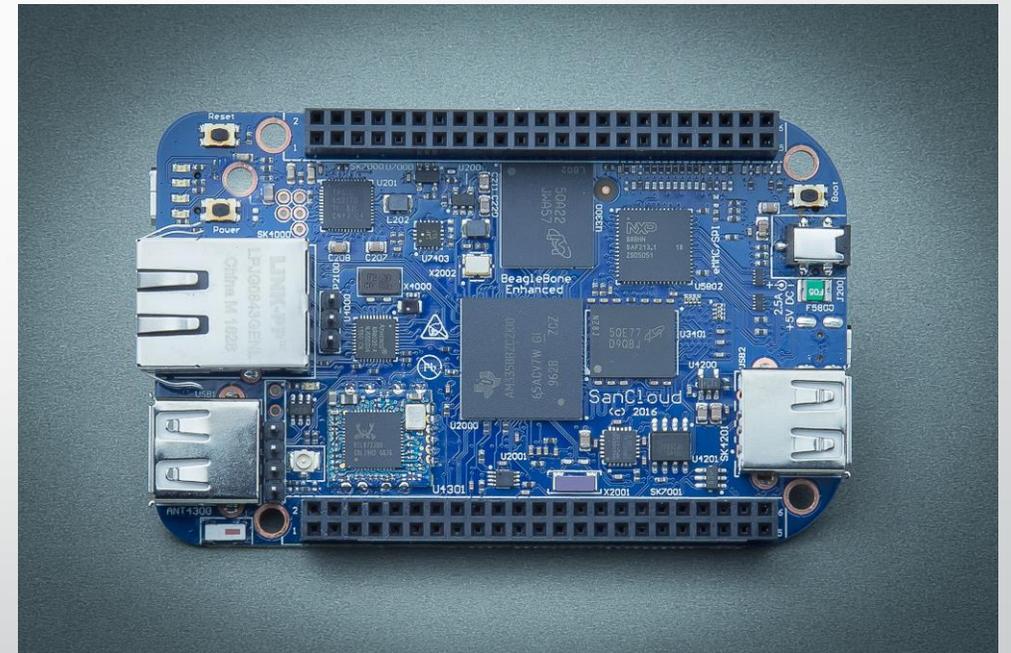
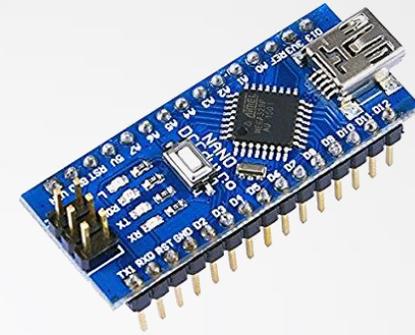
Avionics – Hardware

Flight Hardware

- BeagleBone Enhanced single-board computer
 - “Brain” Telemetry, data logging, abort
- Arduino Nano
 - Engine Controller
 - Recovery

Ground Support

- Directional antenna tracking “turret”
 - 4 directional antennas
 - 1 azimuth servo, 1 elevation servo
 - 1 telemetry & communications antenna
 - Cameras

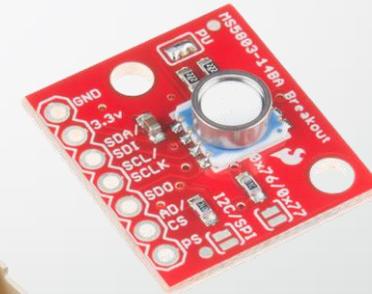


Avionics – Sensors

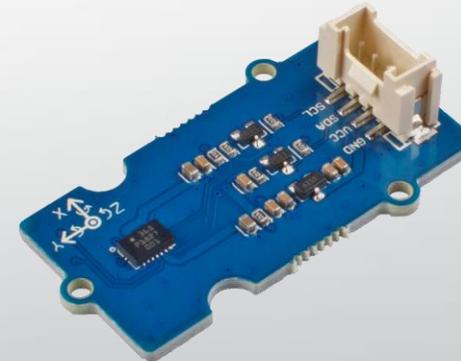
- Position:
 - GPS < 18km
 - INS (integrated)
- Altitude:
 - GPS < 18km
 - INS
 - Barometer
- Velocity:
 - INS
 - Doppler Effect



GPS:
ublox NEO-M8Q-01A



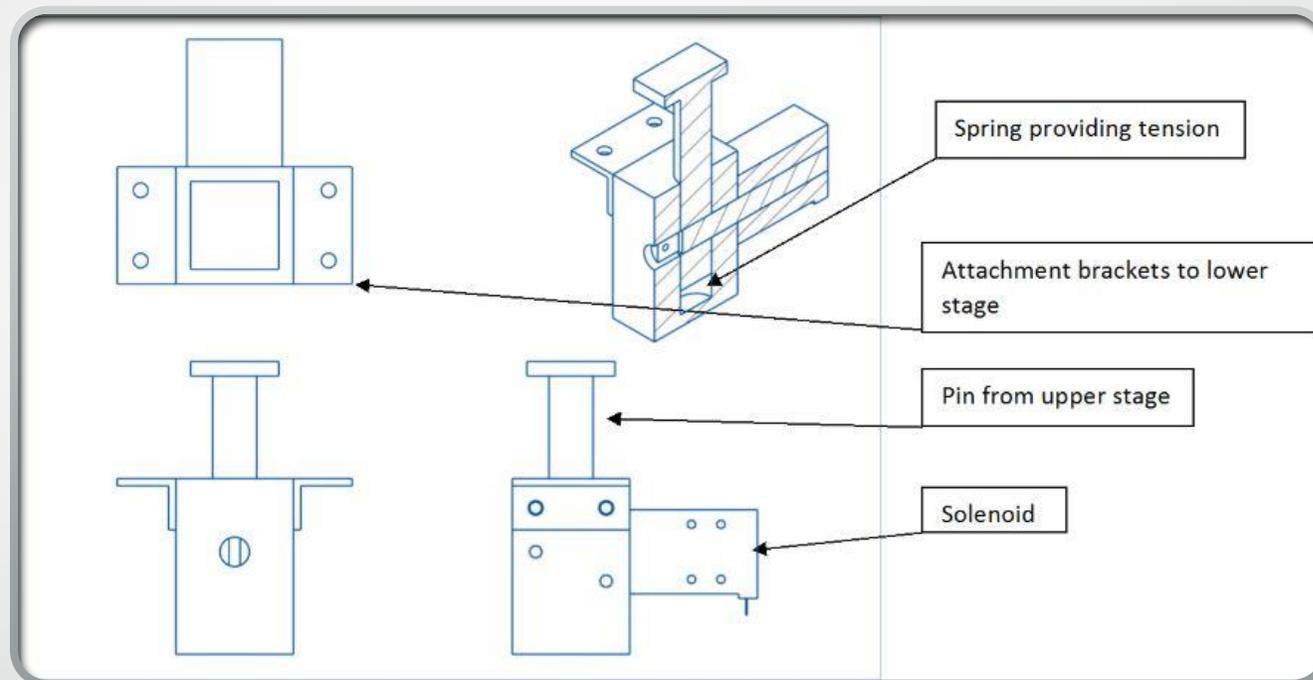
Barometer:
TE MS5803-14BA



INS:
Bosch BMI088

Recovery

- Solenoid Separation
- CO₂ Release Drogue Deployment
 - 12000ft
 - 2 parachutes x 10ft diameter
- Solenoid Main Deployment
 - 2000ft
 - 3 parachutes x 27ft diameter



Questions?