



**TEAM 513: SAE AERO  
DESIGN COMPETITION**

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# Team Introductions



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# Sponsors



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Providing  
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Seminole RC Club

Providing  
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3D Solutech

Providing  
various  
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Providing  
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# Objective

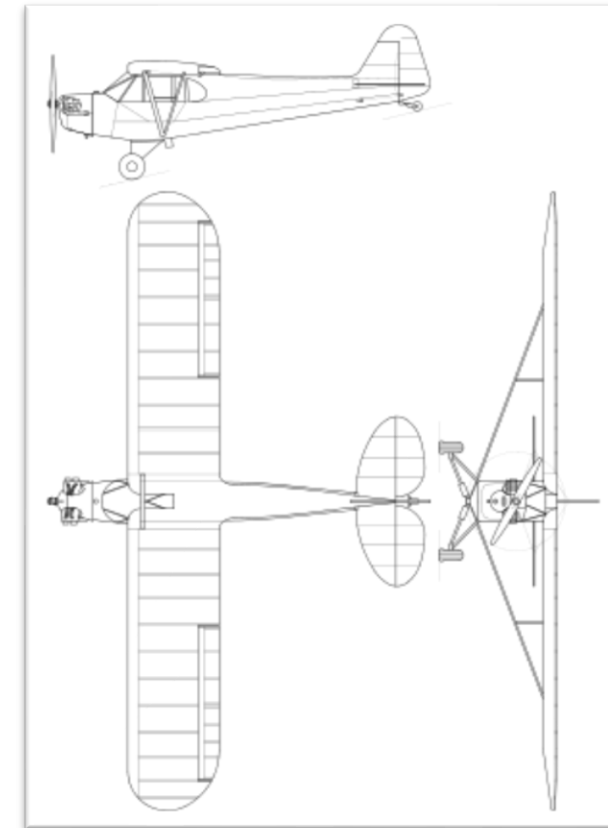
- ✈ The objective of this project is to design and manufacture a 3D printed remote controlled (RC) airplane capable of carrying the designated cargo in order to compete in the regular class of the SAE Aero Design East competition.



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# Project Summary

- ✈️ Follow regulations from SAE Aero Design Competition
- ✈️ Design and manufacture an airplane from 3D printed processes
- ✈️ Test and validate the capabilities of a 3D printed airplane
- ✈️ Compete in the Eastern SAE Aero Design Competition in March 2020
- ✈️ Innovate novel solutions



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# Key Goals

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The airplane can **take off** within the designated runway length and **land** within the designated landing area.

The airplane can operate effectively while carrying the designated payload.

The airplane has an easily accessible cargo area that minimizes loading and unloading time.

The airplane is easily **controllable** while in flight.

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# Assumptions

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Environmental conditions will be comparable to test conditions in Tallahassee.

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The airplane will be constructed of modular pieces.


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The airplane does not have to be 100% 3D printed.

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The airplane will not need to perform aerobatic maneuvers.

# Customer Needs: General Requirements

 The airplane and payload weight cannot exceed fifty-five (55) pounds.

 The airplane can fly without the payload.

Dimension constraints →

5 ft 9 in



Person



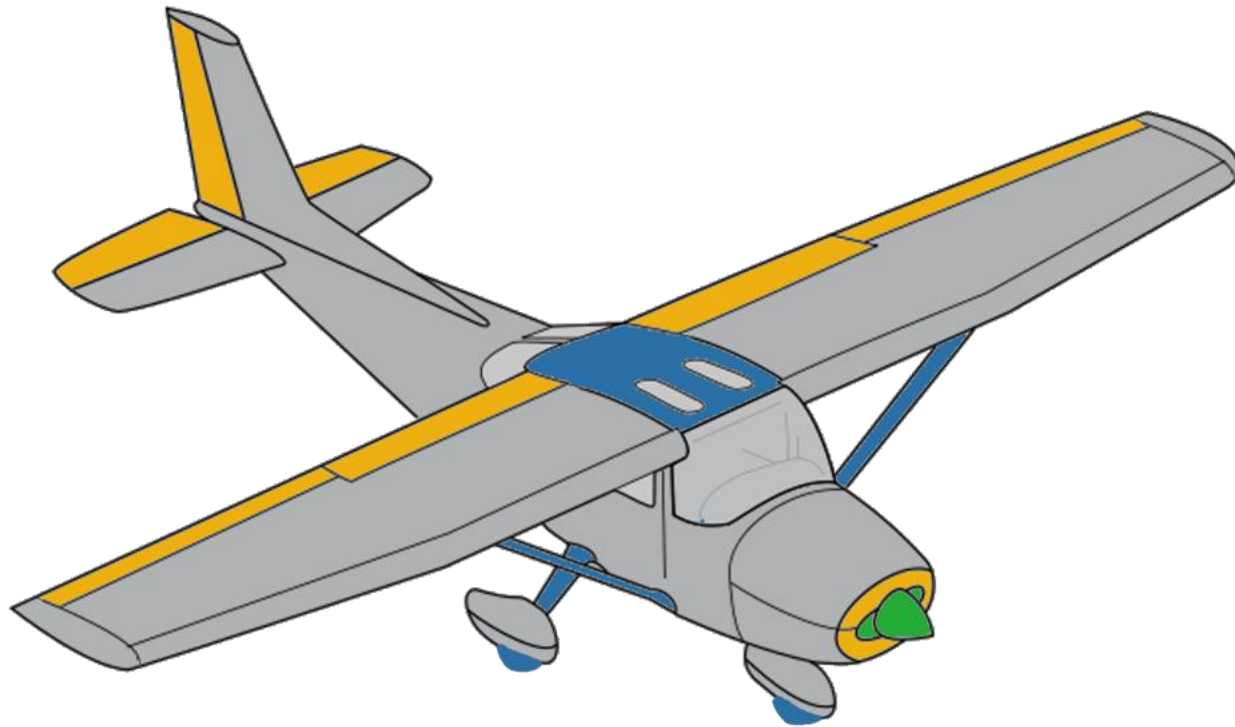
Wing

10 ft



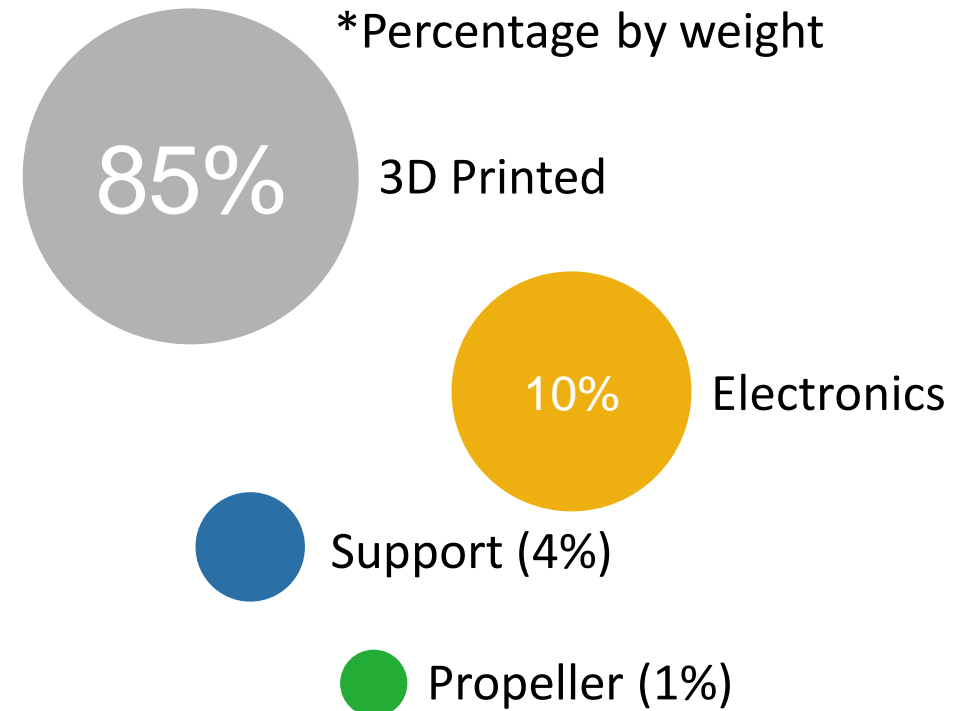
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## Customer Needs: Material Requirements

\*Percentage by weight



-  No metal propellers
-  No fiber reinforced plastics
-  No rubber bands as support

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# Customer Needs: Electronics Requirements

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22.2 V Lithium polymer battery  
2.4 GHz Radio control system



Power toggle switch



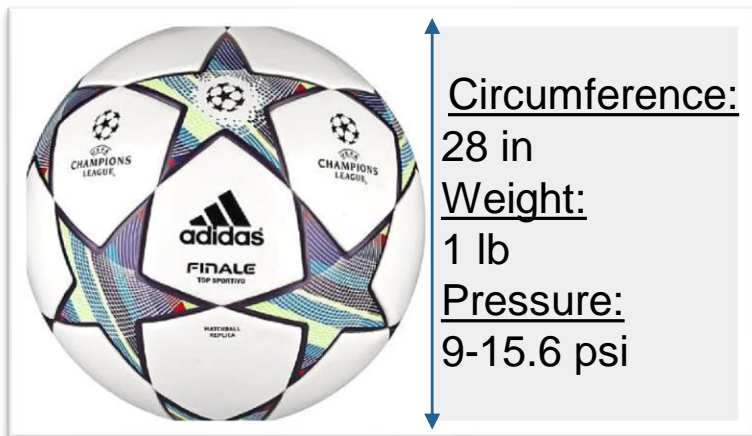
One electric motor

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# Customer Needs: Payload Requirements

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Spherical cargo

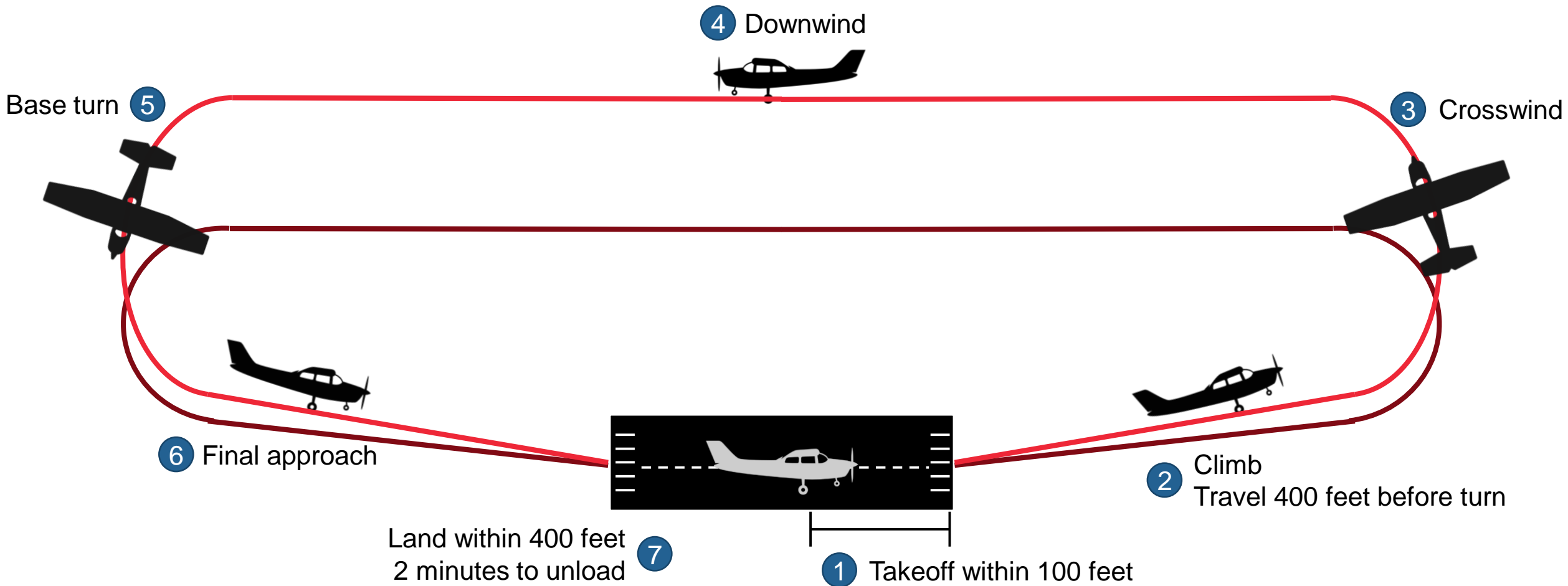


Weighted plates



Metal fasteners

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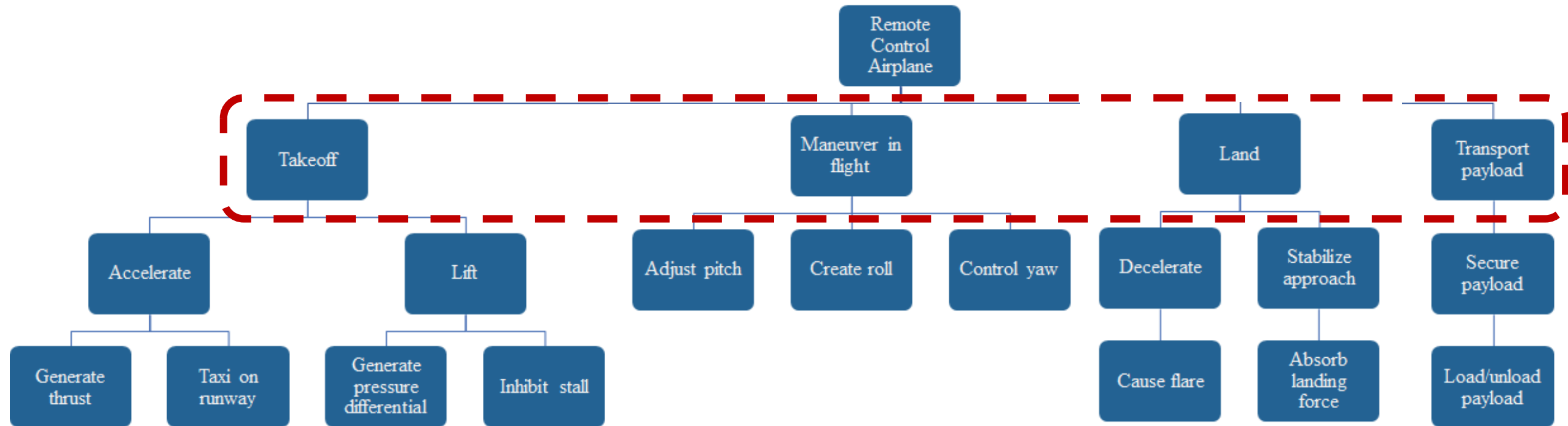
## Customer Needs: Mission Requirements

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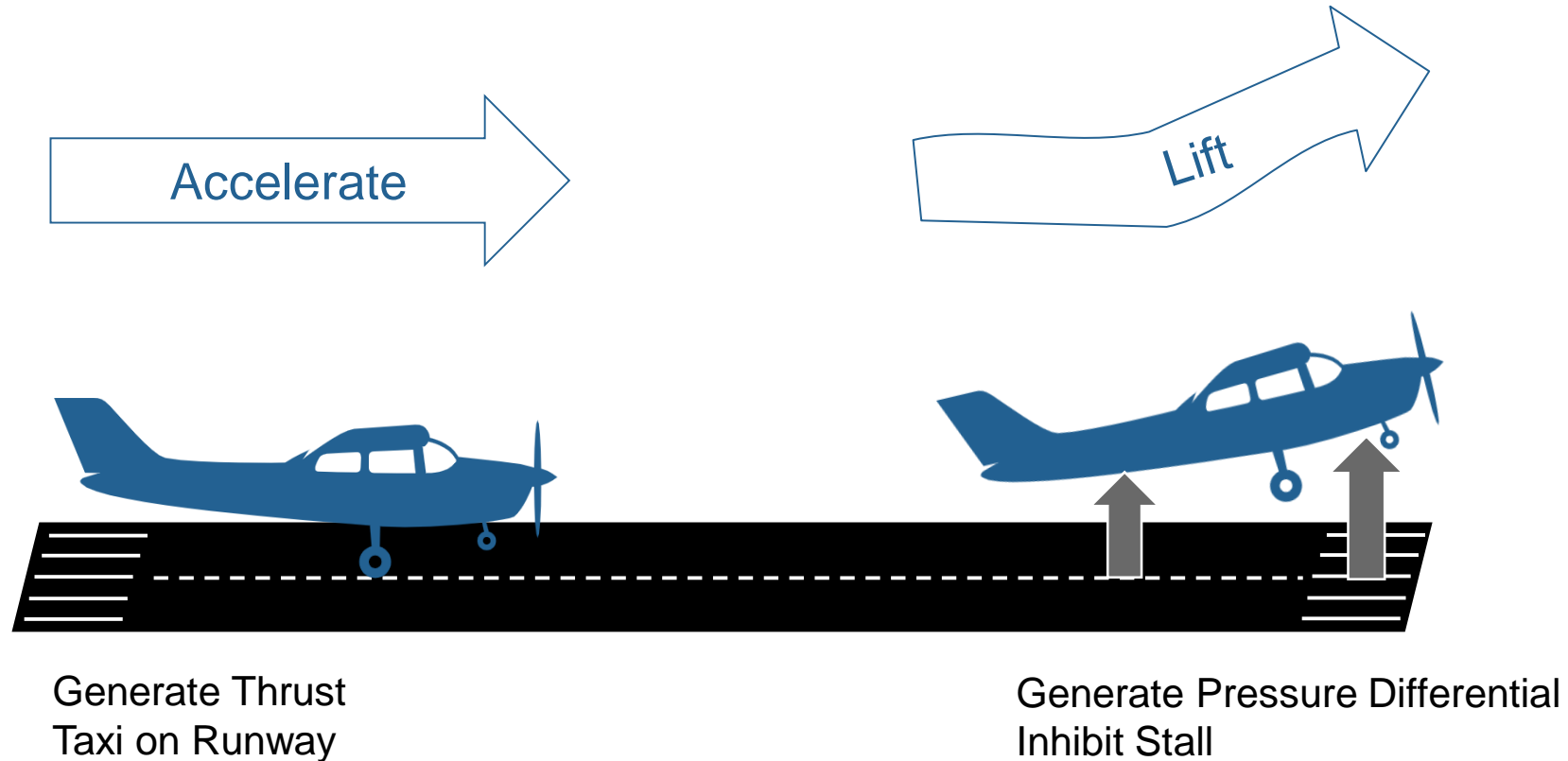


# Functional Decomposition



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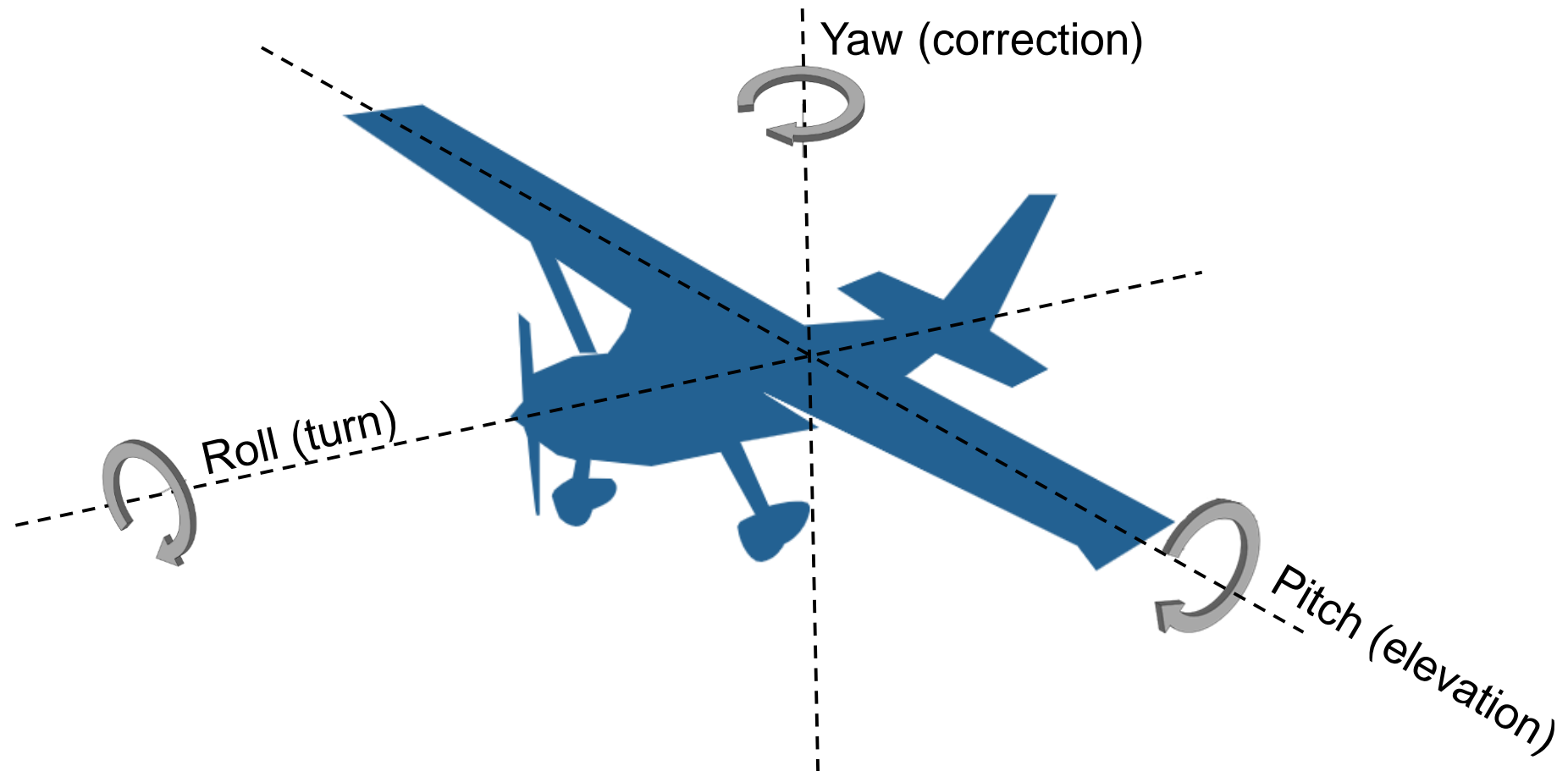
# Functional Decomposition: Takeoff



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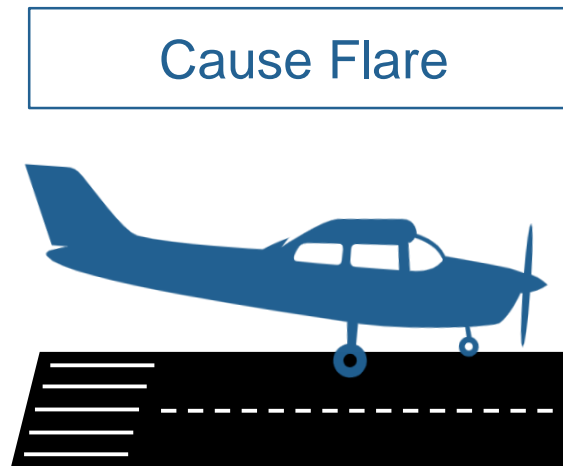
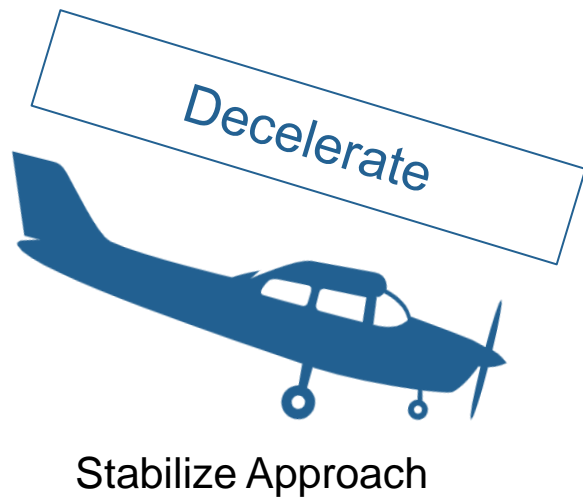
# Functional Decomposition: Maneuver in Flight



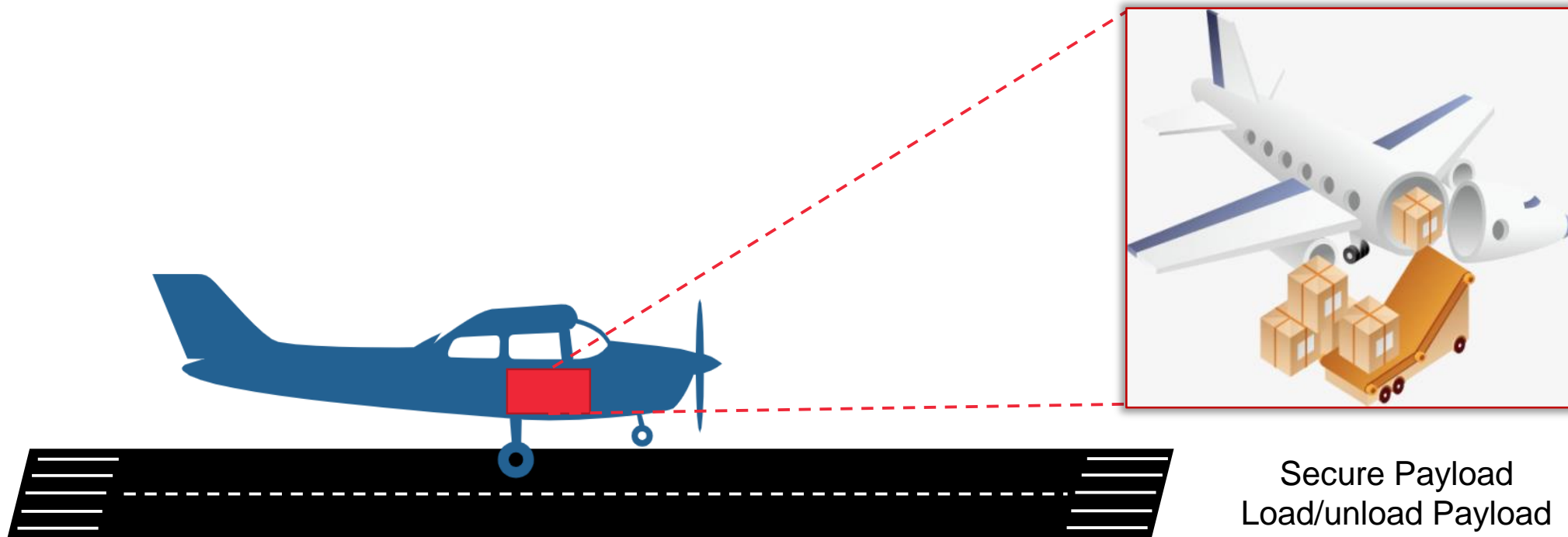
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# Functional Decomposition: Land



# Functional Decomposition: Transport Payload



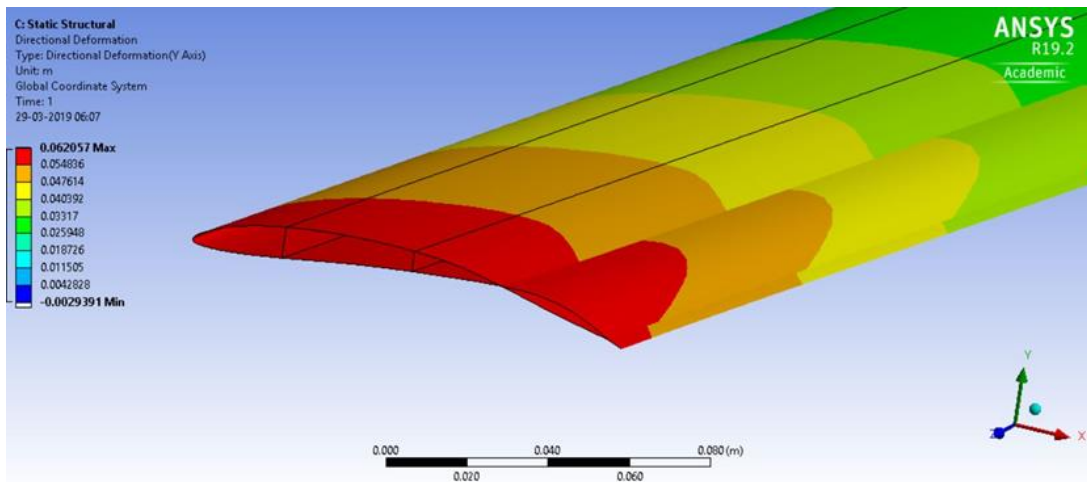
# Completed Work

- ✈ Read rule and regulations
- ✈ Began testing lightweight PLA
- ✈ Secured filament sponsor
- ✈ Assigned research/design areas
- ✈ Began research, gathering equations
- ✈ Determined rough weight of electronics and airplane



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# Future Work



- ✈ Test/Compare the appropriate filaments
- ✈ Determine the exact weight of airplane
- ✈ Determine airfoil shape
- ✈ Size wings to aircraft
- ✈ Calculate approximate take off distance
- ✈ Learn simulation software

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# Five Most Important Points

1. The goal is to design and manufacture a 3D printed airplane capable of carrying assorted payload.
2. The team is utilizing all available resources to begin engineering the airplane.
3. There are many constraints in the SAE rulebook but none on the 'design'.
4. The material selection process of major components is underway.
5. The preliminary calculations needed to begin designing are underway.

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# Thank you



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