Northwest Indian College Space Center Team RezRiders and rocket, Frankenstein II



Flight Readiness Review – March 21, 2011

Motor Selection

Cesaroni Technology			
Brand Name	Pro54 K660 Classic	Total Impulse	2437.00 Ns (548.33 lb/s)
Motor Dimensions	54.00 x 572.00 mm (2.13 x 22.52 in)	Maximum Thrust	1078.90 N (242.75 lb)
Loaded Weight	1949.00 g (68.22 oz)	Avg Thrust	659.00 N (148.28 lb)
Propellant Weight	1177.00 g (41.20 oz)	I _{SP}	211.10 sec
Burnout Weight	734.00 g (25.69 oz)	Burn Time	3.69 sec

Rocket Flight Stability Diagram



Stability is determined by the relationship between a rocket's center of gravity (CG) and its center of pressure (CP). For proper stability, the CG should be located forward of the CP (or closer to the nose).

Static margin is a dimensionless number found by dividing the distance between the Center of Gravity (CG) and the Center of Pressure (CP) by the maximum frontal area to give the most conservative static margin.

Frankenstein II: CG=44.7557, CP=62.3155 Diameter=5.54 Static margin (62.3155-44.7557)/5.54=3.17

Thrust to Weight Motor Selection for CTI K660-17A

Average Thrust		Vehicle	Potio	Motor	
Newtons	Pounds	Weight	Ralio	WOLOI	
659	148.15	10.85 lbs	13.65:1	K660-17A	

Thrust-to-weight ratio is a ratio of thrust to weight of a rocket

148.15 lbs / 10.85 lbs = 13.65:1

Launch Guide Data CTI K660

Launch guide length	72.0000 ln.
Velocity at launch guide departure	74.6722 ft/s
The launch guide was cleared at	0.194 Seconds
User specified minimum velocity for stable flight	43.9881 ft/s
Minimum velocity for stable flight reached at	25.9856 ln.

Parachute Sizes/Descent Rates

The drogue parachute is an 18" in diameter which results in a calculated 82-85 feet per second descent rate. The main parachute is 52" in diameter. The descent rate after the main is deployed is calculated to be 21 feet per second.

PARACHUTE SIZE CALCULATION			
Rocket Weight: 10.85 pounds			
Parachute Drag Coefficient: 1.5			
Vastsas Chute Calculator Program			
	Drogue (50-100 f/s)	Main (17-22 f/s)	
Descent Rate	85 f/s	21.3 fps	
Diameter	18.01 inches	53 inches	
Shroud line length	12 inches	50 inches	

SkyAngle 52"		
Tested Load Capacity for 17-25 fps descent (lbs)	6.8 -14.8	
Surface Area (sq. ft.)	29.5	
Suspension Line Length (inches)	52"	
Cd at seal level	1.46	
Net Weight (oz.)	13.32	

Test Plans and Procedures

- March 5 Full scale (CTI K660) motor flight test
 - Frankenstein disintegrated 4 seconds into flight
- March 6-19 Frankenstein II re-constructed with additional strengthening
- March 20 Flight scale flight with CTI J330
 - Successful launch, flight, and recovery
- March 26 Full scale (CTI K660) motor flight test

Full Scale Flight Test

The Death of Frankenstein

- March 5, 2010
- Mansfield, WA
- Sunny, patchy fog & low clouds, 40-45 degrees F, 0-2 Kts NE
- CTI K660
- RDAS Tiny, drogue 1 and main 1
- PerfectFlite MAWD, drogue 2 and main 2
- 52" SkyAngle parachute wrapped in blue fire blanket
- 18" Blue parachute wrapped in red fire blanket
- Lifted off straight and flew very stably until shortly into the flight when Frankenstein came apart. The Ebay and parachutes tumbled down, the fin can continued upward out of sight.





Full Scale Flight Test (cont)



Design Changes to Increase Structural Integrity

Fastened Main Bay through fwd transition

Increased length of tube couplers into science bay & Fin can



Full Scale Flight Test Frankenstein II, the REZurrection



Landing & Recovery

March 20, 2011 Lummi Nation Reservation CTI J330 Alt: 2389 Launch guide data:

- Launch guide length: 72.0000 In.
- Velocity at launch guide departure: 52.4646 ft/s
- The launch guide was cleared at : 0.253 Seconds
- Minimum velocity for stable flight reached at: 50.9232 In.



Ground Track

Photo from aft-facing camera

Dual Deployment Avionics Test

- Attimeters tested in a Bell jar with a vacuum equivalent to 6000 feet
 - RDAS-Tiny Altimeter: mini Christmas tree lights were connected to the ejection charge circuitry to simulate a black powder charge –
 - successful
 - Perfectflite MAWD: built in altimeter test via the computer interface successful
- Ground tested both altimeters separately with calculated amounts of black powder to test drogue and main deployment.
 - RDAS-Tiny Altimeter: drogue and main can be set to ignite ejection charges via a time delay; charges fired successfully
 - Perfectflite MAWD: connected a 20 foot long piece of tubing to electronics bay which had been sealed. Assistant advisor inhaled and then released his breath simulating a decrease in altitude; charges fired successfully

Ejection Charge Test

Desired Pressure	= 15 psi		
mass BP = 1.1 grams			
Ejection F = 188.5 lbf			
Drogue Parachute			
Drogue Bay Vol	138.23 cubic inches		
Drogue Bay Dia	4 inches		
Drogue Bay Len	11 inches		
Mass BP =	1.1 grams primary	1.3 grams secondary	
	Main Parachut	e	
Main Bay Vol	251.33 cubic inches		
Main Bay Dia	4 inches		
Main Bay Len	20 inches		
Mass BP =	2.3 grams primary	2.5 grams secondary	

4Fg Black	Powd	er Gas	Properties
R	= 2	22.16	ft*lbf/lbm/R

Tc =	3307 R
PV/R/T	F=P*(pi/4)*d^2
nversions:	1 lb = 454 grams
	1 oz = 28.3 grams

m=

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Black Powder Ejection Charge Calculator

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Payload Integration Feasibility



Educational Engagement Plan and Status

- Climate Change Workshop: November 11, 2010
- Northwest Indian College Science Department High School students: February 5, 2011
- Lummi Nations School Grades 9-12 Demonstration: February 10, 2011
- Demonstration to Northwest Indian College students: February 24, 2011
- NAR Convention in Seattle, WA: March 12-13, 2011
- Lummi Tribal School, Grades 4 & 5, April 11, 2011

Schedule Updates

Key Vehicle Dates

- 10/01 Proposal Submitted
- 10/13 Scale rocket construction
- 11/03 recovery ejection test
- 11/02 Dual deployment & L2 Certification
- 11/06 Scale rocket flight test
- 11/29 Full scale construction complete
- 12/05 Full scale flight test
- 03/05 Full scale, full motor flight test (failed)
- 03/06 Vehicle reconstructed
- 03/19 Flight test, successful
- 3/26 Flight test, full motor

Key Payload Dates

- 10/14 Components ordered
- 12/05 Prototypes complete and 50% tested
- 01/28 Science experiments completely built
- 02/15 Science experiments tested
- 03/26 Flight test with ½ of experiments
- 04/03 Flight test with full complement of experiments