Manufacturing Status Review

CHAIR

CHAIR Overview



- Customer's Goal
 - Provide multiple sensory cues to remote pilots to increase aircraft attitude awareness
- Team CHAIR's Role
 - Create a proof of concept research tool that can be further developed into a complete system used by remote pilots
- Levels of Success
 - Level 1: Discrete, static tilt cueing about the body x axis
 - Level 2: Continuous, sinusoidal tilt cueing about the body x axis
 - Level 3: Variable tilt profile developed in real time through joystick control





Critical Project Elements

- **TCS** (Tactile Cueing System)
 - 3 pressure plates on each side
 - Actuators, Circuits and Hardware
 - Extension of pressure pads integrated with sensor feedback
- **GVS** (Galvanic Vestibular Stimulator)
 - Multi-Electrode Setup
 - Skin-Electrode Interface
 - Current Control
- **CPS** (Central Processing System)
 - \circ Control Flow
 - Interfacing with the TCS, GVS or GUI







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Actuator Control Prototyping
Assembly of Final Structure





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Integration of Software

Debugging of Software





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CHAIR Verification & Validation

Draft Conclusions for SFR





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Hardware Critical Components



Primary Structure: seat pan, seat back, side panels, legs

Secondary Structures: mechanisms housings, joystick table, headrest, harness

Completely manufactured from stainless steel with exception of 80/20 pieces and accessories

Hardware Component Status

Ready for Integration Work order submitted Dependency Remaining Still In Design Phase

Key

Component	Method of Manufacture	Status
Seat back, seat pan, side panels	Cut from 1⁄8″ sheet steel	Work order submitted
Mechanisms housings	Cut from 1/32" sheet steel + weld	Work order submitted
Pressure plates	Cut from 1" wood	Work order submitted
Headrest	Cut from 1/32" sheet steel	Work order submitted
Joystick table	Cut from 1/8" sheet steel	Work order submitted
Legs	Cut from 80/20 member	Creating CAD drawings

Hardware Critical Assembly



Seat back to seat pan: weld



Mechanisms housings to side panels: fasteners



Side panels to seat: brackets



Headrest to seat back: brackets

Hardware Assembly Status

Key

Ready for Integration

Work order submitted

Dependency remaining

Still In Design Phase

Assembly	Method of Join	Status
Seat back and seat pan	Weld	Work order submitted
Seat and side panels	#10-32 fasteners, nuts and brackets	Waiting on parts
Mechanisms housings to side panels	#10-32 fasteners, nuts	Waiting on parts
Headrest to chair	T-nut brackets, fasteners, nuts	Waiting on parts
Joystick table to chair	T-nut brackets, fasteners, nuts	Waiting on parts
Legs to chair	¼-20 fasteners	Waiting on parts
Upholster with foam and fabric	Ероху	Waiting on parts
Harness to chair	Fasteners, nuts	Waiting on parts

Mechanisms Housing Assembly





TCS Electronic Component Status

Ready for Integration Ordered, not yet rec'd Ready to Order Still In Design Phase

Key

Component	Method of Manufacture	Status
Test PCB	Advanced Circuits	Awaiting Final Review
Full Circuit PCB	Advanced Circuits	Design Completed
PCB Housing	3D Printing	Design Completed
Molex Connectors	Digikey	On Order (TBD)
Connecting Wires	Digikey/CU Boulder	On Order (TBD)

GVS Electronic Component Status

Ready for Integration Ordered, not yet rec'd Ready to Order Still In Design Phase

Key

Component	Method of Manufacture	Status
PIC Microcontroller	COTS	Received
LTC2662 DAC	COTS	On Order (02/10)
Power Circuit	Custom PCB	Awaiting Final Review
Housing	In-house 3D print	Design Completed
Connection Elements	COTS	On Order (02/02)

Electronics PCB Design



TCS Printed Circuit Board

- Includes proper connectors for the Arduino, actuators, and load cells
- Includes mounting holes to secure board to housing



GVS Printed Circuit Board

- Includes proper connectors to the microcontroller, the DAC, and the GVS harness
- Includes mounting holes to secure board to housing

Electronics Housing Design



TCS Housing

- Mounted on back of plate of Chair
- 3D Printed Base/Walls
- Laser cut acrylic faceplate
- Threaded inserts to hold screws



GVS Housing

- Sits next to chair
- 3D Printed Housing
- Laser cut acrylic faceplate
- Keyed holes for 24V power and banana plugs

Electronics Assembly Status



Assembly	Method of Assembly	Status
TCS Test Printed Circuit Board	Electronics Shop/Soldering	Awaiting Final Review
GVS Printed Circuit Board	Electronics Shop/Soldering	Awaiting Final Review
TCS Printed Circuit Board	Electronics Shop/Soldering	Awaiting testing completion
TCS Housing	ITLL	Awaiting testing completion
GVS Housing	ITLL	Awaiting testing completion

Software Critical Components

Main CPS

- Controls main logic flow
- Process input data for sending to subsystems
- Process sensor output for readability and safety

PIC Code

• Control functionality of GVS

Arduino Code

• Control functionality of TCS

Joystick Processing

- Calibrate relation between joystick position and outputs
- Send joystick outputs to CPS

GUI

- Provide an easy method of uploading and storing cueing profiles
- Provide real-time data visualization to test controller



Software Status





No Significant Work Done / Progress halted

Main CPS (65%)	Mostly Complete: Still needs UART communications and joystick interface, along with integrated system testing
PIC Code (15%)	Early Development: Software flowchart complete & working 8-bit prototype built.
Arduino Code (10%)	Early Development: Code has been written for interfacing with actuators and sensors, needs UART code
Joystick Processing (50%)	Early Development: Joystick has been obtained and coding has started
GUI (20%)	Preliminary layout complete, small prototype application made with Qt software

Main Software Tasks

Task	Challenges	Plan
Main CPS Control Logic	No significant issues (Mostly Done)	Test with joystick data and UART communication
UART Communication With Microcontrollers	Different amounts of data being sent to PIC (GVS) Vs Arduino (TCS) Coordinating timing of GVS and TCS Cues	Creating In depth plans Getting this done early (Next 2 weeks)
Arduino Embedded Code	We haven't written proper code (Only Test Code Written)	We have multiple team members with experience and there are lots of libraries

Procurement Status

Items Received	47
Items in Autoclave	15
Items Pending	15
Items Backorder	1
Items Planned	21
Total Items	99

- Key Items
 - Linear actuators [received]
 - Building Materials [Received]
 - Electronics [received/pending]
- Planned Items
 - Screws/fasteners
 - < 1 week</p>
 - PCB prints
 - ~2 weeks
 - \circ Fabric
 - Same day pickup
 - Electronic Housing materials
 - Same day pickup

Financial Budget Status

Estimated Totals			
Estimated Total Expenses:	\$ 4,373.51		
Estimated Remaining Budget:	\$ 626.49		
Actual Money Spent			
Money Spent:	\$ 3,834.48		
Money to be Spent:	\$ 539.03		

Backup Slides

Approximate Hardware Assembly Times

Assembly	Method of Join	Time to Complete
Seat back and seat pan	Weld	1 week
Seat and side panels	#10-32 fasteners, nuts and brackets	2 days
Mechanisms housings to side panels	#10-32 fasteners, nuts	1 week
Headrest to chair	T-nut brackets, fasteners, nuts	<1 day
Joystick table to chair	T-nut brackets, fasteners, nuts	<1 day
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Harness to chair	Fasteners, nuts	1 day



Test PCB

- Custom PCB currently being printed for one actuator
- Assembly and testing of single actuator will take place to verify code and hardware
- Final changes to full PCB will be made following tests



TCS Electronics Testing Schedule

- Week of 1/24
 - Finish PCB design and send out purchase orders for testing electrical parts
- Week of 1/31
 - Compile initial Arduino code used for testing
 - Manage and track purchase orders
- Week of 2/7
 - Assembly of Test PCB Board
 - Breadboard Test of of IC components
 - Final Connections made for testing actuators
- Week of 2/14
 - Testing of single actuator with test PCB board



GVS PCB Design

- Week of 1/31
 - Send out PCB for fabrication
 - Submit housing files for printing
- Week of 2/7
 - Populate PCB board
 - Test & Verify PCB board
 - Repeat of breadboard test from Fall
- Week of 2/14
 - Complete integration into housing



Housing



- Mounted on back of plate of Chair
- 3D Printed Base/Walls
- Laser cut acrylic faceplate
- Threaded inserts to hold screws
- Side Cutouts for ventilation/save material costs
- Top/Bottom wall cutouts to feed wiring

Dimensions are tentative pending necessary changes to the PCB

Housing

- 3D Printed Housing
- 3D Printed truss for PCBs
- Acrylic faceplate
- Keyed holes for 24V power and banana plugs
- Large window for access to PIC access panels



