



# WASP Test Readiness Review

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# Project Overview

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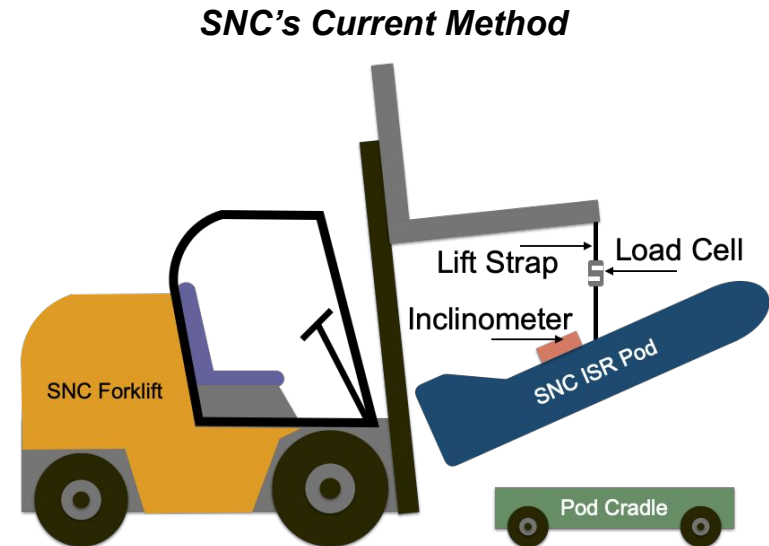


## Background:

- **Sierra Nevada Corporation's ISR, Aviation, and Security (SNC IAS) division** needs a better way of **measuring the weight and CG** of their Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR) pods.

## Motivation:

- **Effective:** Current method of finding weight and CG is challenging.
- **Safety:** ISR Pods and Engineers are at risk with current method.

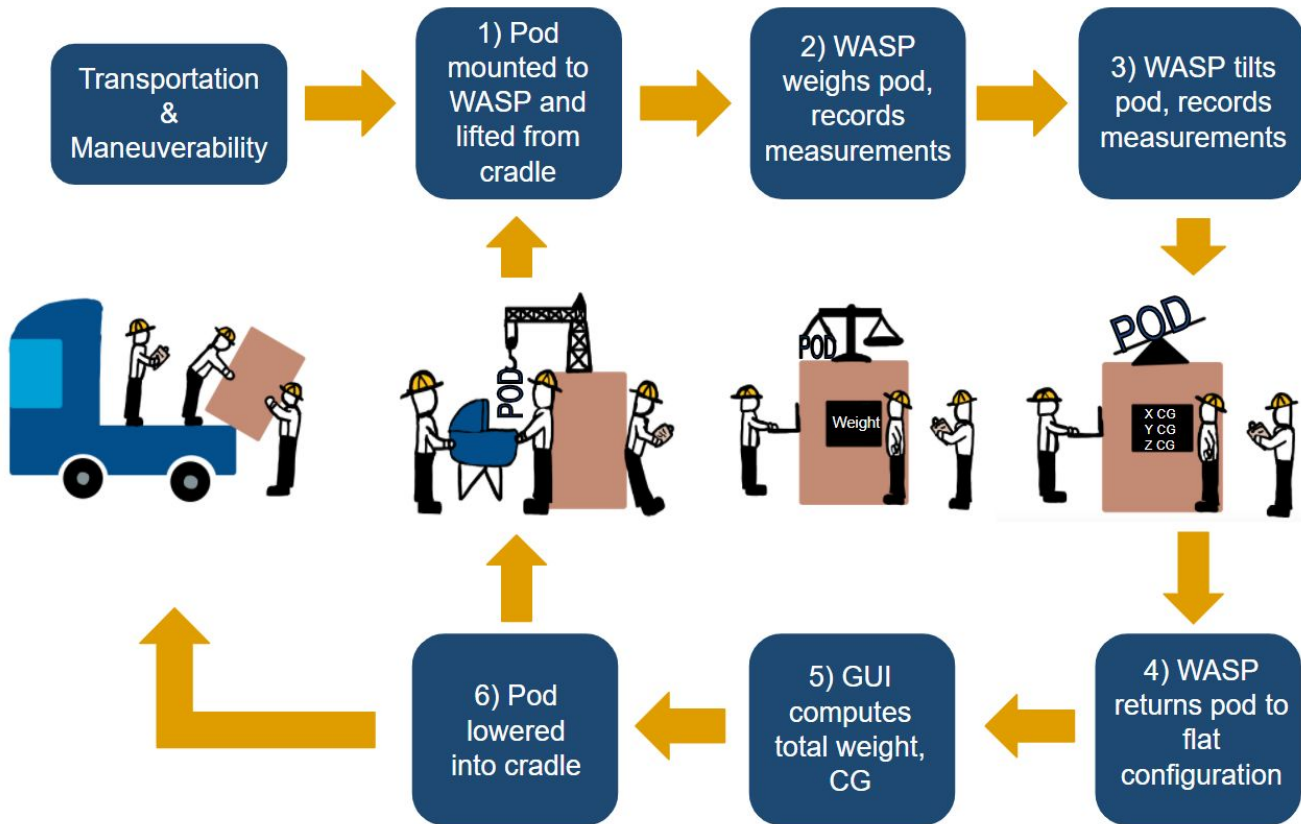


# Primary Project Objectives

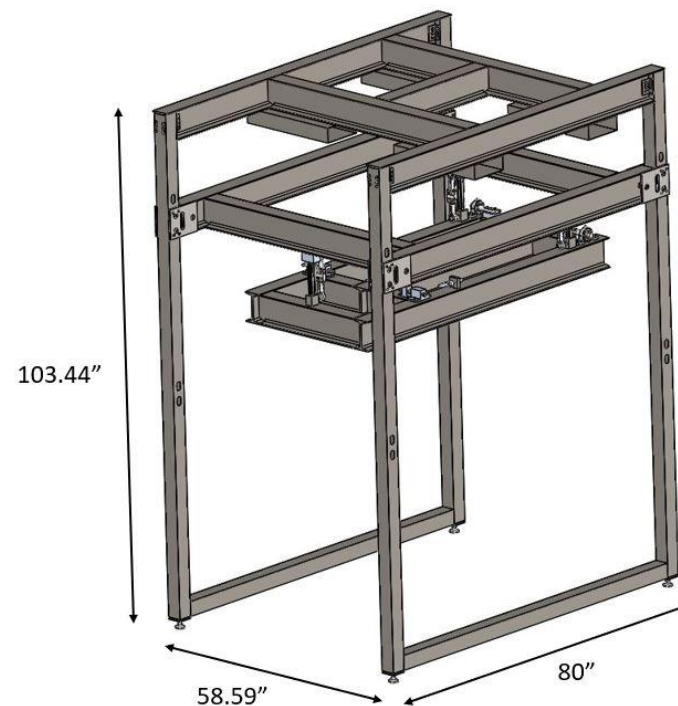
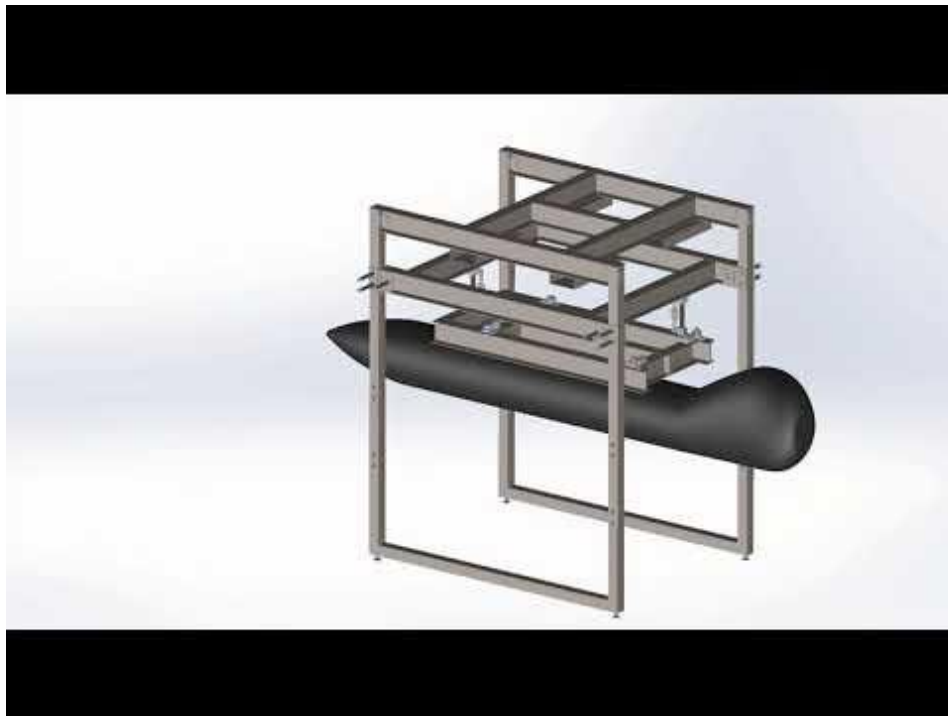


1. Measure the **weight** and **CG location** of SNC ISR Pods to an accuracy of  **$\pm 0.1\%$**  and  **$\pm 0.1$  inch**, respectively.
2. Be able to use WASP for pods weighing up to **2000 lbs.**
3. Be able to accommodate pods with **14-inch** and **30-inch** lug spacing configurations.
4. Develop a measurement procedure for WASP that is feasible for SNC test engineers (**30-minute** test duration, **2 engineers**)

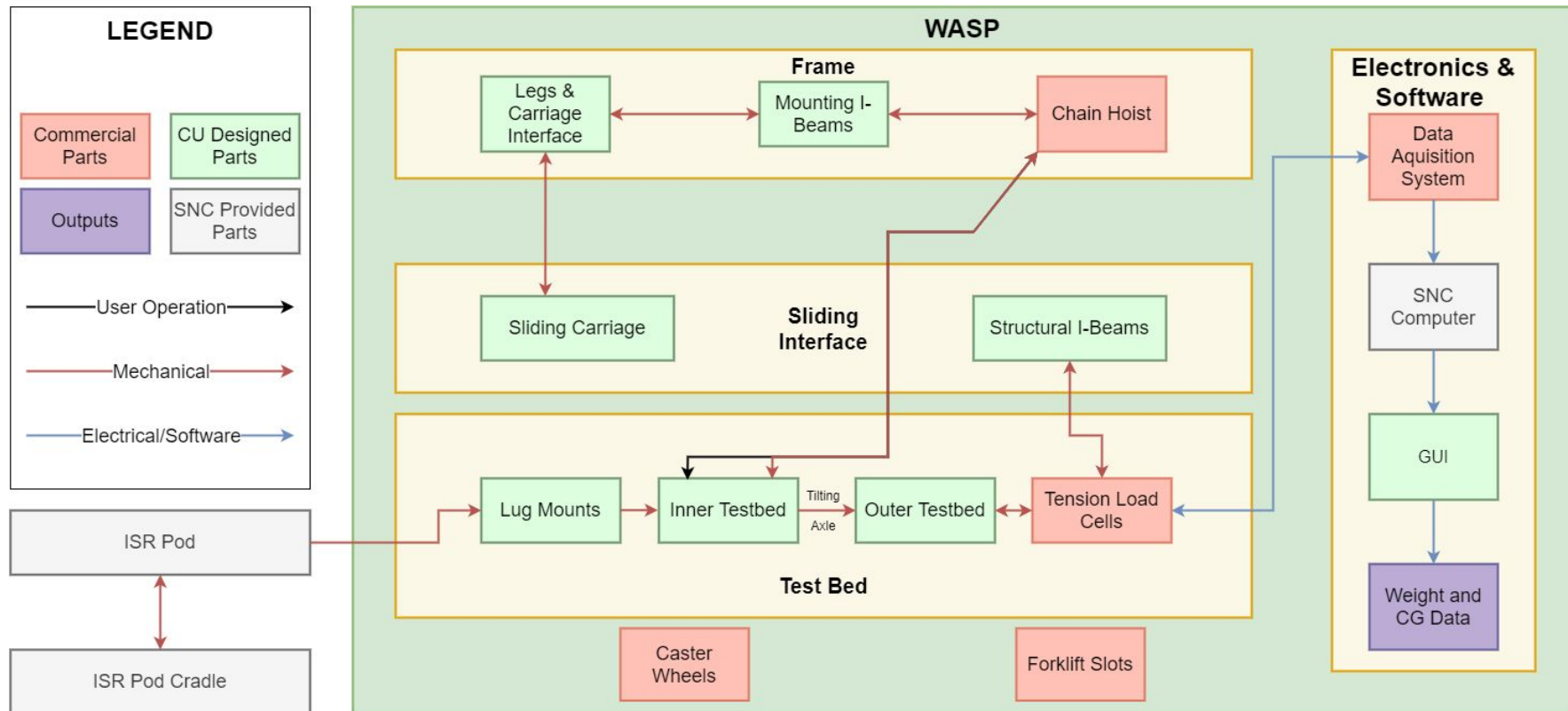
# Concept of Operations



# Baseline Design



# Functional Block Diagram





# Critical Project Elements

CPE	Description	FR
E1	All static possible loading must be handled by the frame. It must be portable and support at least 2000 lbs.	FR3, FR4
E2	WASP should rigidly interface with lugs for all pod types.	FR3
E3	WASP must be capable of weight measurements with $\pm 0.1\%$ of true value; CG measurements within $\pm 0.1"$ of true value.	FR1, FR2
E4	Testing procedures for weight and CG calculations must be well-developed.	FR5
E5	Since heavy loads are involved, both the pods and WASP operators should be safe from harm.	FR5



# Project Updates

# Project Updates - Manufacturing Structure



*Forklift Slots*



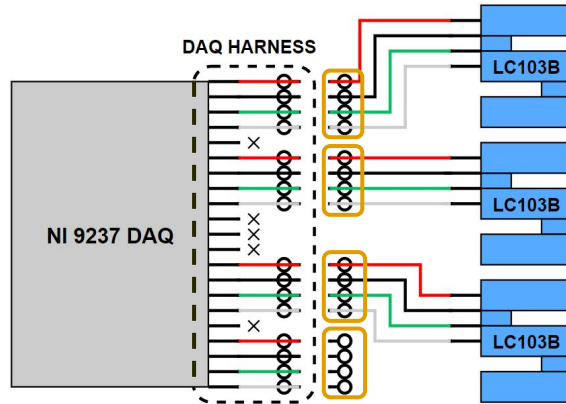
*Outer Testbed*



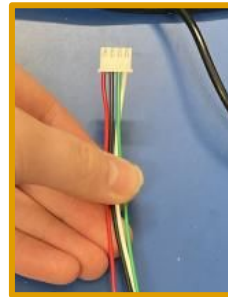
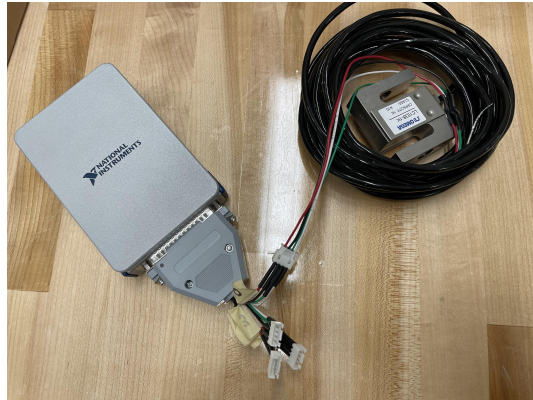
*Outer Frame*

*Sliding Interface*

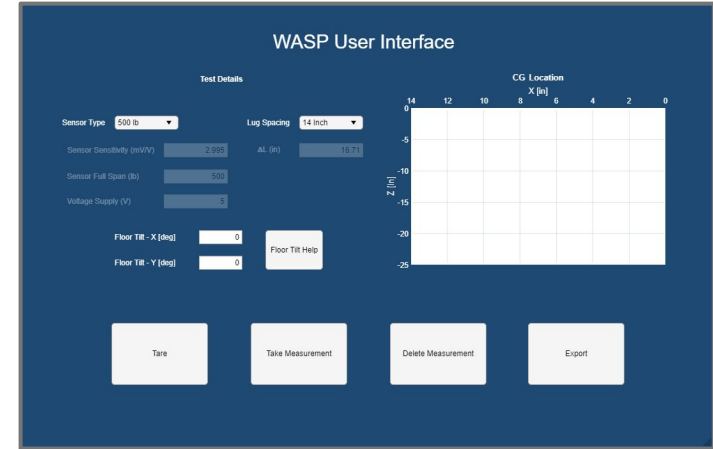
# Project Updates - Electronics & Software



DAQ to Male Connectors Harness



Load Cells to Female Connector



## USER INTERFACE DEVELOPMENT

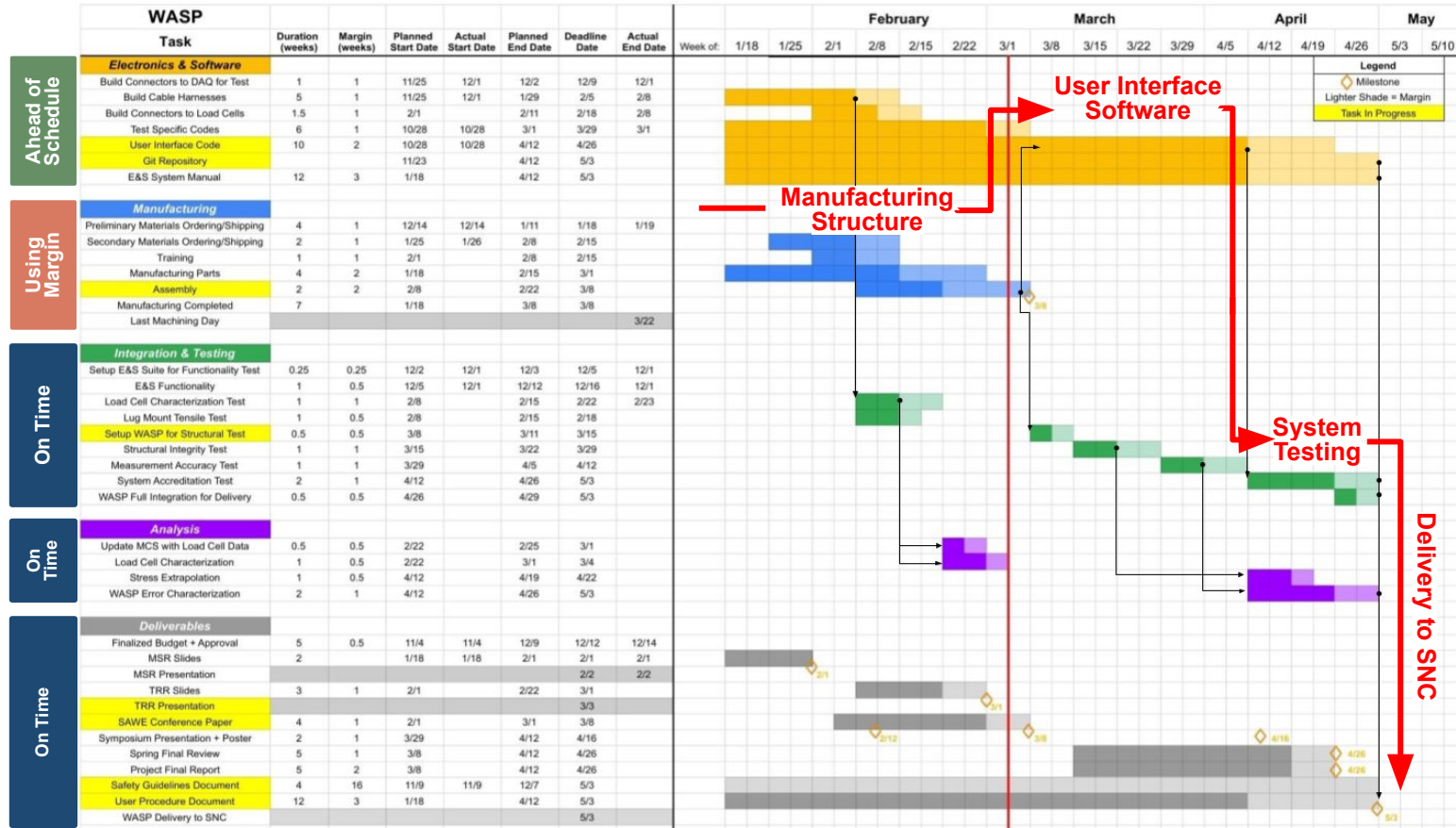
Phase	Description	Status
1	Main functionality	Complete
2	Improve Robustness	In Progress
3	System Accreditation	Not Started



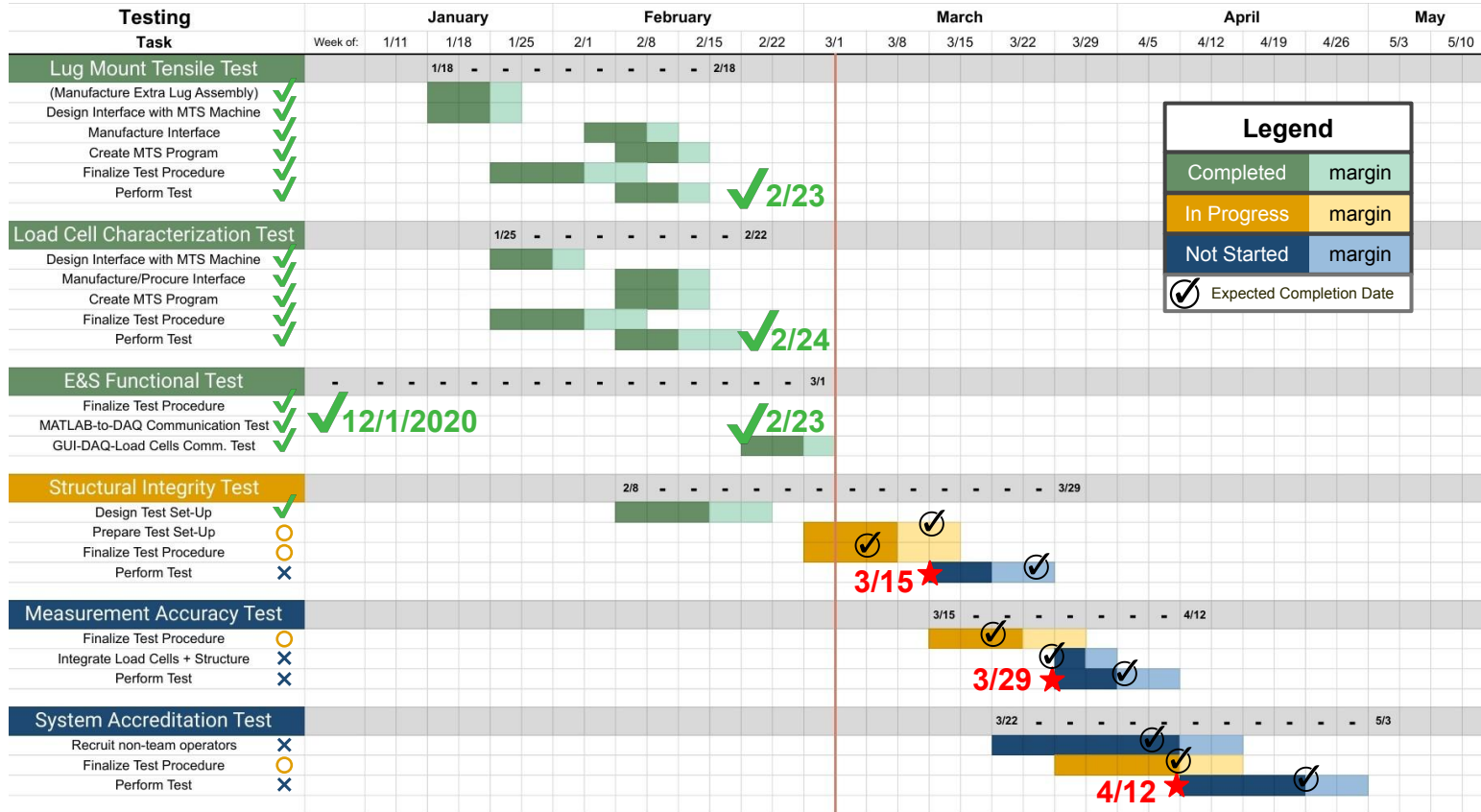
# Schedule



# Spring Semester Overview - Critical Path



# Testing Schedule Review



# Test Readiness



# Testing Scope - Overview

<i>Level</i>	<i>Test</i>	<i>Model/Process Validated</i>	<i>Equipment/Facilities Used</i>
<b>Component</b>	<b>Lug Mount Tensile</b>	FEA	Modified Lug Mount, EM MTS
	<b>Load Cell Characterization</b>	Monte Carlo Sim	WASP Load Cells + DAQ System, EM MTS
	<b>Component Checks</b>	N/A	None
<b>Sub-System</b>	<b>E&amp;S Functionality</b>	Flowchart	WASP DAQ System
	<b>Structural Integrity</b>	FEA	Weight, Strain Gauges, WASP DAQ System, AES Forklift, Lift Straps
<b>System</b>	<b>Measurement Accuracy</b>	Monte Carlo Sim	SNC Test Article
	<b>System Accreditation</b>	CONOPS	SNC Test Article, Volunteer Engineers

# Lug Mount Tensile Test

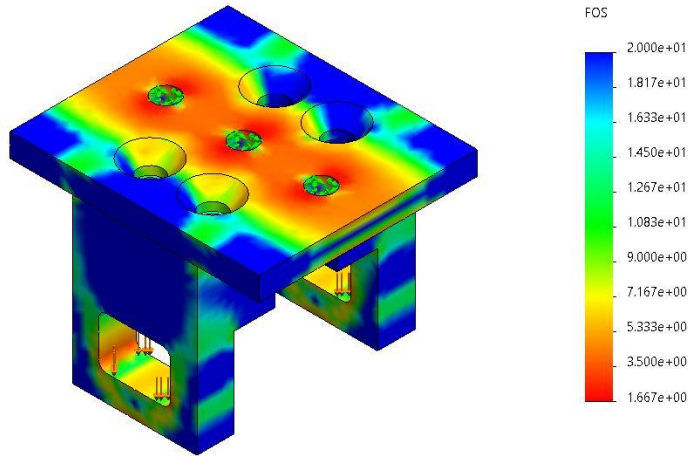
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 CPE 5: Pods and WASP operators should be safe from harm.

Deadline: 2/18

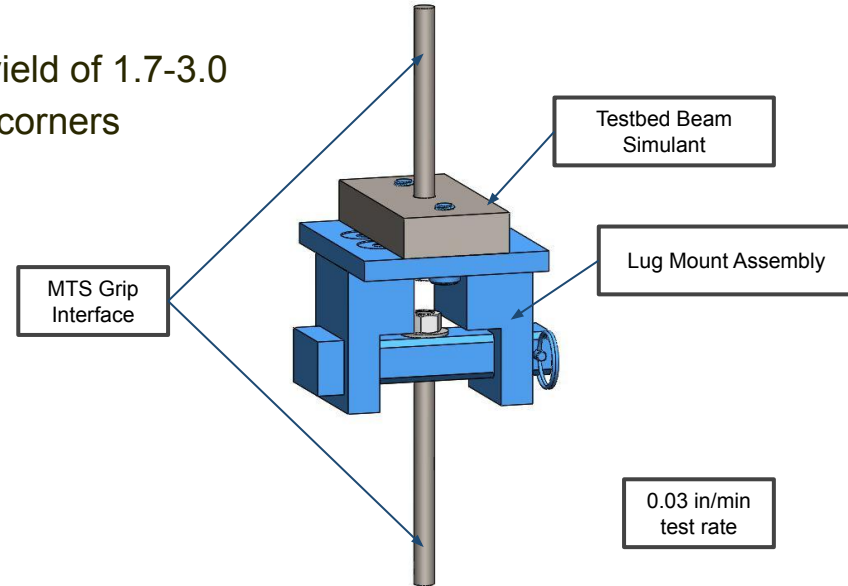
Completed 2/23

- **Rationale/Motivation:**

- FEA model predicts minimum FOS against yield of 1.7-3.0 in concentrated regions near fixtures and in corners

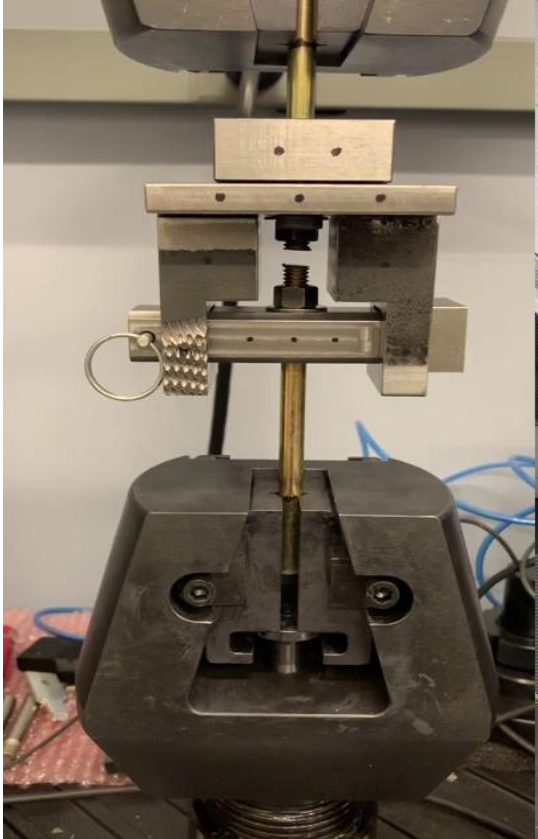


Conservative Finite Element Analysis - 2000 lb Loading

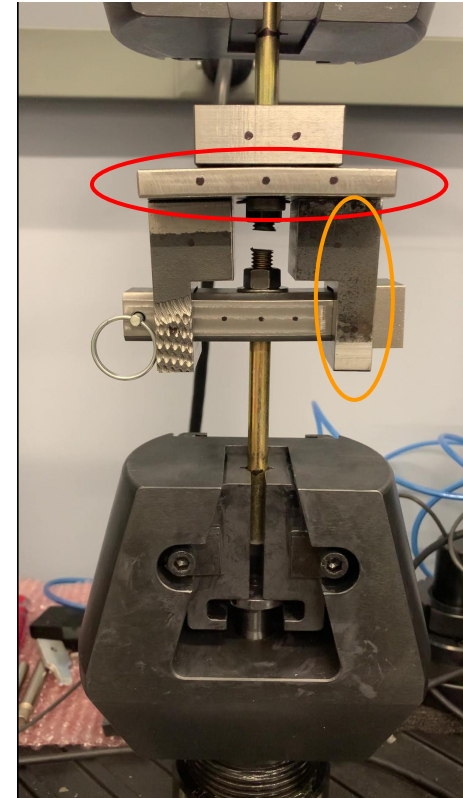
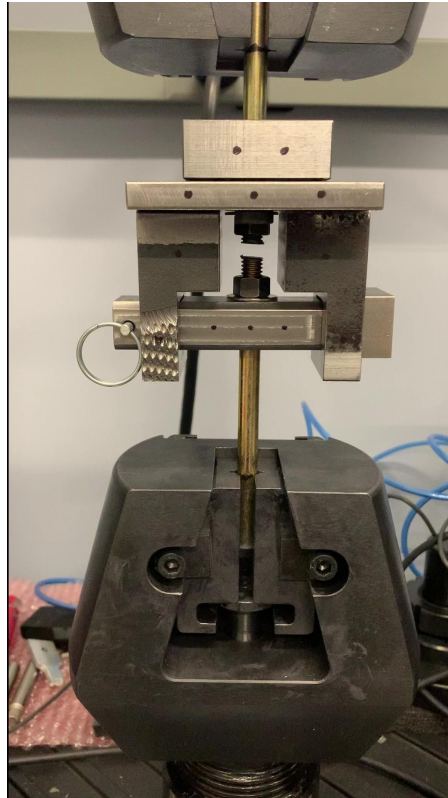


Lug Mount (Blue) and Interface

# Lug Mount Tensile Test - Failure Video



Start of Test



End of Test (15500 lbs)

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- **FEA Predicted Results:**

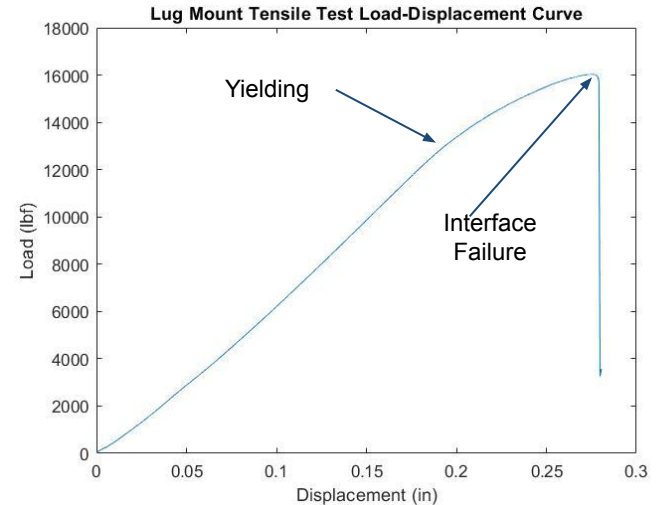
- Top plate yield near bolt holes  $\geq 3,400$  lbf

- **Observed Results:**

- Yielding  $\sim 13,000$  lbf in top plate and threads
  - $6.5 \leq \text{FOS} \leq 7.75$  for mount itself

- **Consequences:**

- Design: **DR 3.1 Satisfied** for this component
- Model: Interpretation of the model is complicated
  - Fixed geometry increases stress in nearby material
  - Assembly treated as one part (fused) in model - internal reactions between plate and bolts, plate and flanges, flange and pin, and so on increase stiffness, push back plastic deformation
- Risk: Reduction in likelihood of component failure



Lug Mount Force-Displacement Curve

# Load Cell Characterization

**DR 1.1.3/2.1.3:** Sensors shall be calibrated such that measured values are accurate within  $\pm 0.1\%$  of the pod's true total weight, and within  $\pm 0.1^\circ$  of the pod's true total CG

**CPE 3:** WASP must satisfy the strict accuracy tolerances given in the requirements

Deadline: 2/22

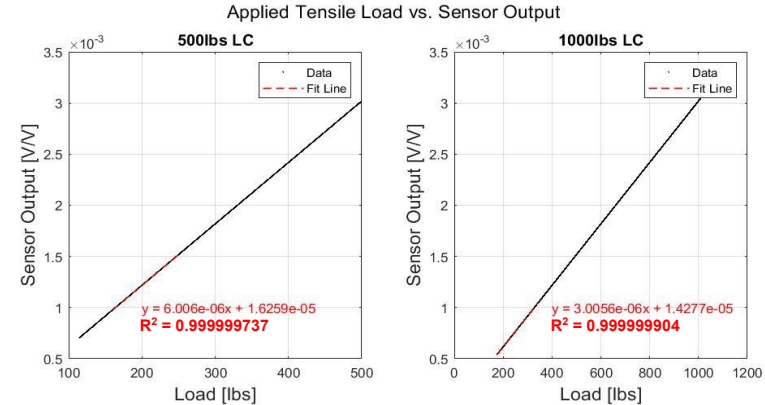
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## ● Rationale/Motivation:

- Improve fidelity of Monte Carlo Simulation of error in W & CG
- Demonstrate correct data acquisition/processing by WASP software

## ● Procedures:

- Tensile test - MTS
- Drift test - MTS/WASP
- Accuracy Test - Bertha/WASP



### Normality of Error: LC - MTS

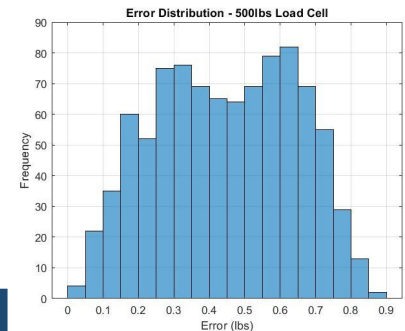
$$H_0: E \sim N(\mu_E, \sigma_E); H_a: E \sim N(\mu_E, \sigma_E)$$

K-S Test for Normality,  $\alpha = 5\%$

$$500 \text{ lbs LC: } p = 6.54 \times 10^{-4} < \alpha$$

$$1000 \text{ lbs LC: } p = 1.12 \times 10^{-6} < \alpha$$

**REJECT THE NULL HYPOTHESIS**



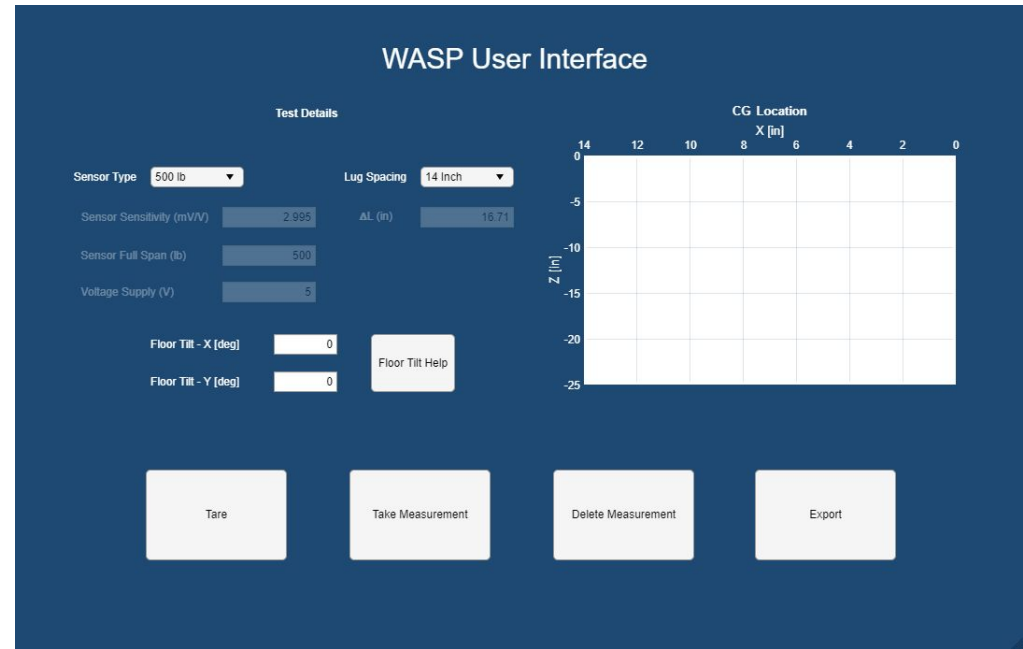
# Electronics & Software Functionality Test

DR 8.1: WASP shall have a computer based tool that interfaces with the sensors

Deadline: 3/1

Completed 2/23

- **Rationale/Motivation:**
  - Connect completed code and hardware, ensure functionality
  - Test user interface for ease of use and bugs
- **Procedures:**
  - Hardware compatibility and functionality test
  - User interface functionality test
  - System accreditation test



# Structural Integrity Test

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**DR 3.3:** WASP shall lift pods out of their cradles

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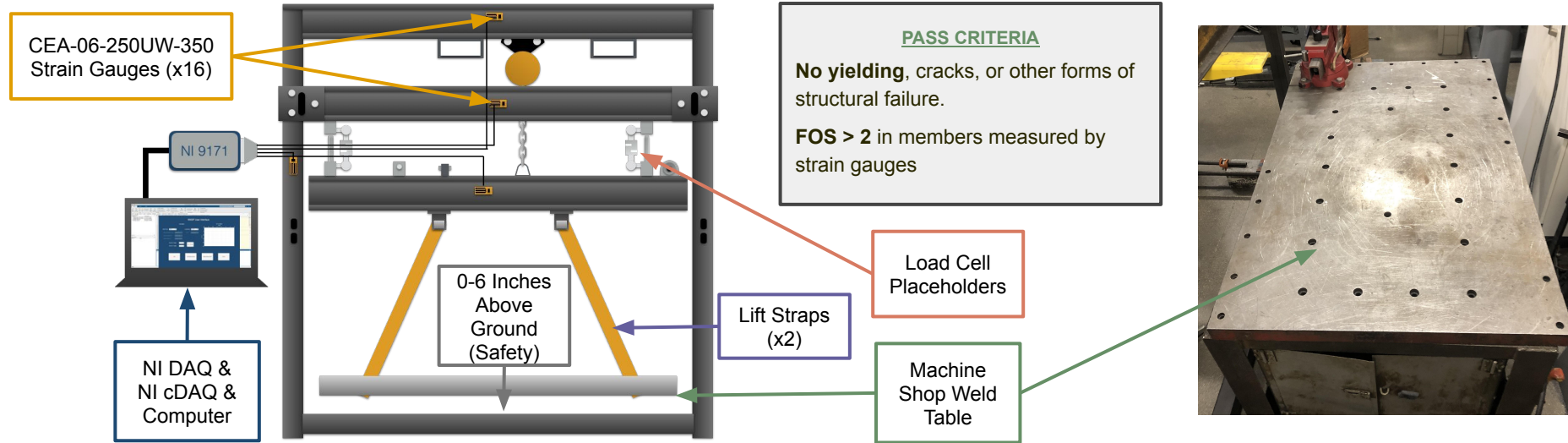
**CPE 5:** Pods and WASP operators must be safe from harm.

Deadline: 3/29

Planning/Setup

- Rationale/Motivation:**

- Demonstrate that the structure can support 2000 lb pods for SNC future growth





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Planning/Setup

- **Pass Criteria:**
  - No yielding, cracks, or other forms of structural failure.
  - $FOS > 2.0$  in members measured by strain gauges (strain  $\rightarrow$  stress  $\rightarrow$  FOS)
- **Test Date:**
  - 3/15 - 3/22
- **Expected Results/Off-Ramps:**
  - **Pass:** Expected - move forward with MAT
  - **Fail:** Analyze failure mode, revisit analysis and design, redesign and attempt to rebuild



# Measurement Accuracy Test

**DR 1.1:** WASP shall measure the weight of the pod within a tolerance of  $\pm 0.1\%$  of the pod weight

**DR 2.1:** WASP shall measure the CG of the pod within a tolerance of  $\pm 0.1"$  of the pod CG

**CPE 2:** WASP shall rigidly interface with lugs for all pods types

**CPE 3:** WASP must satisfy the strict accuracy tolerances given in the requirements

Deadline: 4/12

Not Started

- **Rationale/Motivation:**

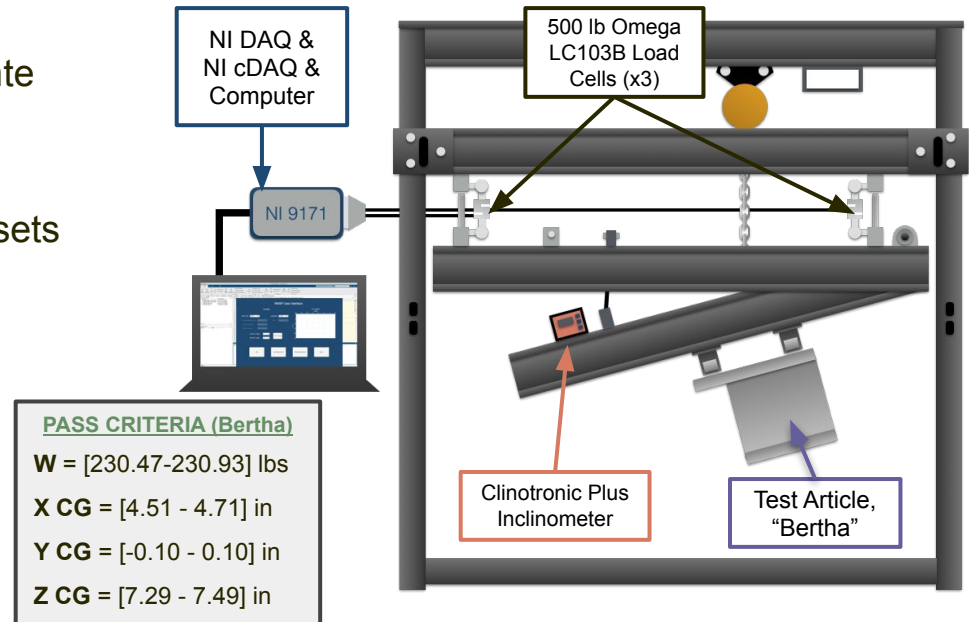
- Validate accuracy predictions of Monte Carlo Simulation (>95% success)

- **Procedure:**

- Complete 5 standard measurement sets with the test article
- Record measured weight and CG

- **Expected Results/Off-Ramps:**

- **Pass:** All reported values within accuracy tolerances
- **Fail:** Recalibrate the software and remeasure dimensions



# System Accreditation

**DR 6.1:** WASP shall complete a single weight and balance test in no more than 30 minutes

**DR 6.3:** WASP shall require no more than two engineers to complete one test

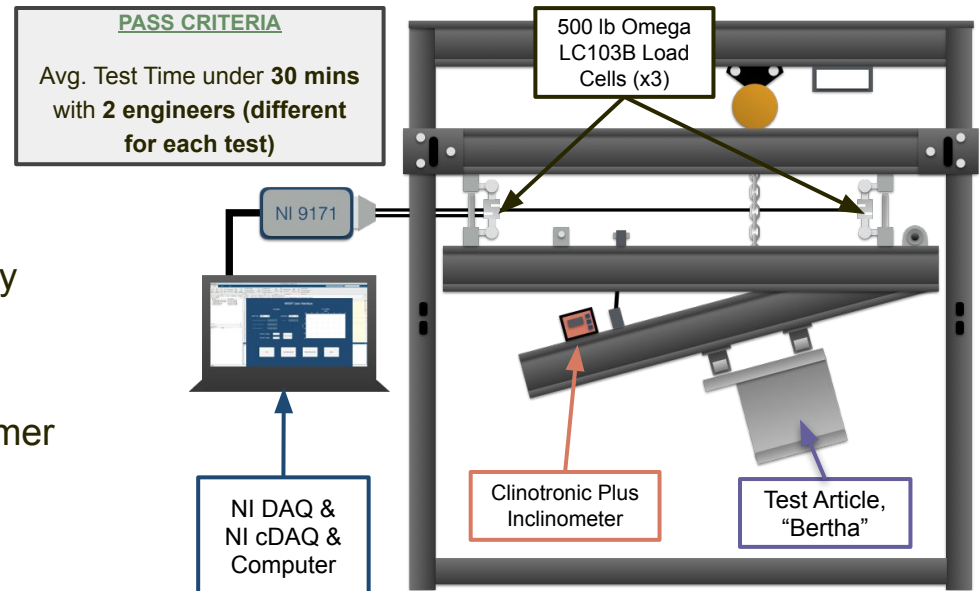
**CPE 4:** Test procedures must be well developed

**CPE 5:** Pods and WASP operators should be safe from harm.

Deadline: 5/3

Not Started

- **Rationale/Motivation:**
  - Verify procedural requirements
- **Procedure:**
  - Run multiple accuracy tests with non-WASP engineers
  - Record weight and CG measured by volunteers
- **Expected Results/Off-Ramps:**
  - **Pass:** Prepare for delivery to customer
  - **Fail:** Modify the procedure and/or downgrade to level 2 objectives



# Additional Checks Completed

<i>Check</i>	<i>Motivation</i>
Quality Checks on components (manufactured and COTS)	Match specifications to model
Conductivity on wire harnesses	Ensure pins are connected ONLY to correct input/outputs
Communication with Load Cells using fabricated harnesses	Demonstrate ability to pull data from load cells using final harnessing
Test/debug Measurement Accuracy Test script with electronics	Demonstrate functionality of the script to obtain necessary data for MAT
Test/debug User Interface with electronics	Demonstrate UI's ability to correctly control data acquisition functions for WASP operation
Sliding Interface Fit Check	Ensure manufacturing imperfections allow smooth operation

# Risk Assessment

## Risk - Test Key

1. **LC-Misalignment** - Measurement Accuracy Test
2. **Misalignment** - Structural Integrity Test
3. **Structural Failure** - Structural Integrity Test
4. **Lug Interface** - Lug Mount Tensile Test
5. **Human Error** - System Accreditation
6. **COVID** - All
7. **Budget** - All

Risk Matrix		Impact Level			
Likelihood Level		Low	Mild	Medium	High
	High			Misalignment	LC-Misalignment
	Medium		Misalignment	Budget COVID	Structural Failure Lug Interface Human Error Budget COVID
	Low		LC-Misalignment		Structural Failure Lug Interface Human Error

# Testing Status

<i>Level</i>	<i>Test</i>	<i>Procedure Finalized?</i>	<i>Test Conducted?</i>	<i>Analysis Complete?</i>
<b>Component</b>	<b>Lug Mount Tensile</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
	<b>Load Cell Characterization</b>	Yes	Yes	Finish by 3/8
<b>Sub-System</b>	<b>E&amp;S Functionality</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
	<b>Structural Integrity</b>	Finish by 3/8	Scheduled 3/15	Scheduled 3/22
<b>System</b>	<b>Measurement Accuracy</b>	Finish by 3/22	Scheduled 3/29	Scheduled 4/12
	<b>System Accreditation</b>	Finish by 3/22	Scheduled 4/12	Scheduled 4/12



# Budget

# Budget Review

## Future Expenses

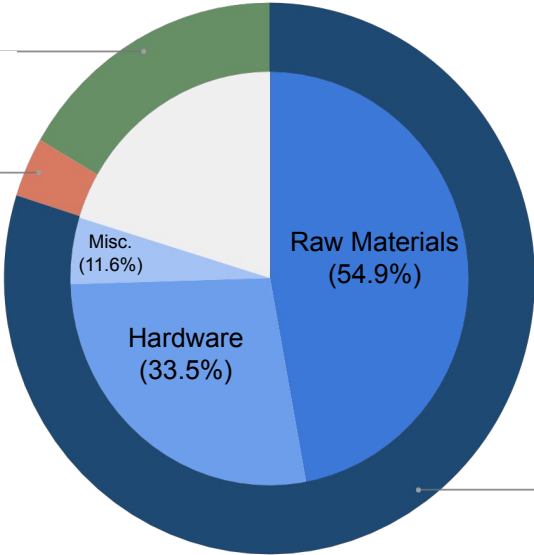
Item	Cost
Welding gas	\$75
Safety Placards	\$100

## Anticipated (If Possible) Expenses

Item	Cost
Improvements (Caster wheels)	\$350
Spray Paint (Rust Prevention)	\$50
Total: \$400	

**Remaining**  
\$831.03 (16.62%)

**Future Expenses**  
\$175.00



**Expenses**  
\$3993.97

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# Back-Up Material



# Testing

# MTS Exceed Series 40 General Specifications

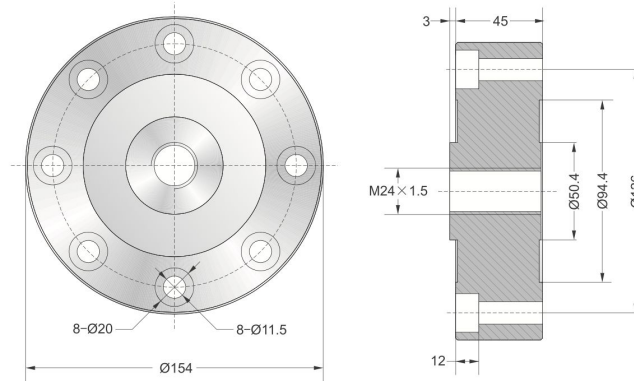
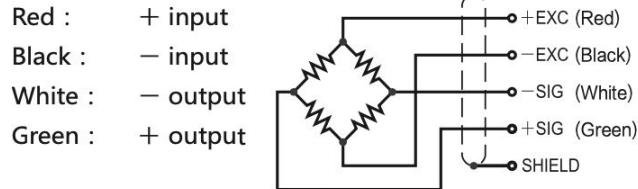
<b>Accuracy Class</b>	<b>ISO 7500 Class 0.5 / Class 1 or ASTM E4</b>
<b>Force Range</b>	0.4% - 100% of rated force capacity / 0.2-100% of rated force capacity
<b>Rated Maximum Force at Max. Test Speed</b>	100%
<b>Rated Maximum Test Speed at Maximum Force</b>	100%
<b>Force Capacity</b>	± 0.5% of the displaying / ± 1% of the displaying
<b>Speed Accuracy</b>	Set speed < 0.01mm/min: speed accuracy is within ± 1.0% of set speed Set speed ≥ 0.01mm/min: speed accuracy is within ± 0.2% of set speed
<b>Position Accuracy</b>	Within ± 0.5%
<b>Strain Measuring Range</b>	0.2% - 100% FS
<b>Strain Accuracy</b>	Class 0.5 and Class 1
<b>Security Protection</b>	Over-force, travel limits, over-voltage and others
<b>Over Force Protection</b>	10%
<b>Data Acquisition Rate</b>	1000 Hz
<b>Control Loop Rate</b>	1000 Hz
<b>Environmental Requirements</b> (For indoor use only)	
Operating Temperature	5° C to 40° C (41° F to 104° F)
Operating Humidity	5% - 85% non-condensing
Storage Temperature	-18° C to 49° C (0° to 120° F)
Maximum Storage Humidity	90% non-condensing
Maximum Attitude	2000 meters
<b>Motor &amp; Drive System</b>	AC Servo Motor
<b>Ballscrews</b>	Pre-Forced
<b>Position Measurement</b>	Encoder
<b>Additional DC Conditioning Channels</b>	2 channels (Examples: resistive extensometers and force cells)
<b>Additional Digital Conditioning Channels</b>	1 channel (Examples: long travel extensometer and quadrature encoders)

# MTS Exceed Series 40 E45.105 Specifications

Model	E44.304	E45.105	E45.305
<b>Maximum Rated Force Capacity</b>	30 kN	100 kN	300 kN
<b>Force Capacity Options</b>	100 N, 250 N, 500 N, 1 kN, 2 kN, 5 kN, 10 kN, 20 kN, 30 kN	5 kN, 100 kN	200 kN, 300 kN
<b>Frame Type</b>	Floor-standing	Floor-standing	Floor-standing
<b>Test Zones</b> (single/dual)	Single/Dual	Single/Dual	Single/Dual
<b>Maximum Test Speed</b>	500 mm/min	500 mm/min	250 mm/min
<b>Minimum Test Speed</b>	0.001 mm/min	0.001 mm/min	0.001 mm/min
<b>Position Resolution</b>	0.000041 mm	0.000041 mm	0.000041 mm
<b>Middle Crosshead Travel</b> (without grips)	1150 mm	1050 mm	1100 mm
<b>Middle Crosshead Travel</b> (with grips)	850 mm (with XSD204B grips)	500 mm (with XSA105A grips)	540 mm (with XSA305A grips)
<b>Test Width</b>	340 mm	600 mm	580 mm
<b>Frame Dimension</b> (height x width x depth)	1862 x 845 x 716 mm	2133 x 1230 x 870 mm	2360 x 1215 x 960 mm
<b>Weight</b>	435 kg	1400 kg	1700 kg
<b>Power Requirement</b>	Single-phase 200-230V AC, 6 Amp 50/60 Hz, 1200W	Single-phase 200-230V AC, 10 Amp 50/60 Hz, 2000W	Three-phase 380-415V AC, or 440-480V AC, 6.8 Amp 50/60 Hz, 5000W

# MTS Machine - DBSL-XS-10T Load Cell (100 kN)

## Schematic



## Specifications

Rated Output	3.0mV/V $\pm 0.25\%$	Safe Temp. Range	-10°C to + 70°C
Zero Balance	$\pm 1\%$ of rated output	Temp. Compensated	-10°C to + 40°C
Creep after 30 minutes	$\pm 0.03\%$ of rated output	Safe Overload	150%
Nonlinearity	$\pm 0.03\%$ of rated output	Input Impedance	387 ohm $\pm 20$ ohm
Hysteresis	$\pm 0.03\%$ of rated output	Output Impedance	350 ohm $\pm 5$ ohm
Repeatability	$\pm 0.03\%$ of rated output	Insulation Resistance	$\geq 5000$ M ohm (50V DC)
Temp. effect on output	$\leq 0.002\%$ of applied output/°C	Rated Excitation	10V DC/AC
Temp. effect on zero	$\leq 0.002\%$ of rated output/°C	Maximum Excitation	15V DC/AC
Wire Length	6m	Wire Material	Red(+E) Black(-E) White(-S) Green(+S)



# MTS Machine - BSS--XS-500kg Load Cell (5 kN)



Force Verification Report

**MTS**

System Location : Hangzhou  
Country : China

System Model Number :  
System Serial Number :

UUT Cell Capacity : 5000.0 N  
UUT Cell Model : BSS-XS-500kg  
UUT Cell Serial : 7h3820500000783


Bandwidth Low-Pass: 50  
Ambient Temperature: 20.0 °C


UUT Cell Excitation : 10.0  
Reference Cell Asset #: SN551506  
mv/V Readout Asset #: SN10458

Compression										Results		
Schedule	Applied Force	Reference Load	UUT Load	Relative Error	UUT Load	Relative Error	Reference Load	UUT Load	Relative Error	UUT Load Mean	Maximum Relative Error	Maximum Repeatability Error
%	N	N	N	%	N	N	%	N	%	N	%	%
0.0	-0.25	-0.25	-0.001	-0.40	-0.40	-0.002	-0.37	-0.35	0.0004	0.00	0.002 %	-
5.0	-249.86	-249.87	-0.04	-0.04	-0.04	-0.01	-249.84	-249.78	-0.07	-0.15	0.04 %	0.04 %
10.0	-499.37	-499.24	-0.02	-0.04	-0.04	-0.04	-499.65	-500.50	-0.84	0.16	0.04 %	0.02 %
20.0	-999.43	-999.22	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-999.06	-999.58	-0.52	0.29	0.04 %	0.01 %
40.0	-1998.76	-1998.84	-0.08	-0.04	-0.04	-0.02	-1999.11	-1998.78	0.33	0.31	0.02 %	0.004 %
60.0	-2997.59	-2997.82	-0.23	-0.08	-0.08	-0.01	-2997.81	-2997.80	0.01	-0.43	0.01 %	0.01 %
80.0	-3996.85	-3997.46	-0.61	-0.05	-0.05	0.01	-3996.77	-3997.07	-0.30	-1.74	0.04 %	0.02 %
100.0	-4995.38	-4995.32	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.02	-4995.30	-4996.61	-1.31	-2.63	0.02 %	-
3.000	3.229	3.117	0.23	2.80	2.35	-0.01	-0.20	2.53	-0.01	0.00	0.02 %	-

Tension										Results		
Schedule	Applied Force	Reference Load	UUT Load	Relative Error	UUT Load	Relative Error	Reference Load	UUT Load	Relative Error	UUT Load Mean	Maximum Relative Error	Maximum Repeatability Error
%	N	N	N	%	N	N	%	N	%	N	%	%
0.0	1.10	1.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.84	0.73	-0.00	0.00	0.002 %	-
5.0	249.88	249.81	-0.07	-0.03	-0.03	-0.01	249.81	249.85	-0.04	-0.06	0.03 %	0.02 %
10.0	499.84	499.18	-0.66	-0.13	-0.13	-0.04	499.83	498.80	-1.03	-0.20	0.05 %	0.03 %
20.0	999.68	999.08	-0.60	-0.06	-0.06	-0.01	999.31	997.80	-1.51	-0.53	0.06 %	0.01 %
40.0	1999.36	1998.81	-0.55	-0.03	-0.03	-0.01	1997.36	1996.54	-0.82	-0.90	0.05 %	0.01 %
60.0	2998.92	2997.20	-1.72	-0.06	-0.06	-0.01	2999.39	2998.45	-0.94	-0.38	0.04 %	0.006 %
80.0	3997.84	3996.95	-0.89	-0.02	-0.02	-0.01	3998.29	3997.36	-0.93	-0.94	0.02 %	0.001 %
100.0	4997.34	4996.54	-0.80	-0.02	-0.02	-0.01	4996.23	4997.33	1.10	-0.85	0.02 %	0.002 %
3.000	0.63	0.76	0.80	0.44	0.50	0.80	0.60	0.11	0.0004	0.00	0.002 %	-

Comments: System meets specification

Verification Tech: 

Signature: 

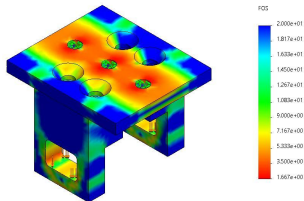
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MTS Force Verification Report

# Lug Mount Tensile Test - FEA

- **Reasons for Model Inaccuracy:**

- Fixed geometry: Not physical for this situation as they are clearance holes. Fixing a face requires the material around it to provide reaction loading that can be orders of magnitude higher than if they are allowed to move slightly
  - e.g. when preparing for PDR we were originally fixing the ends of our beams. This would require other beams to not twist at all, leading to safety factors of 0.6 or less. In reality, those beams could twist (sometimes only by 0.064 degrees), increasing the safety factor by 100x or more.
- Rigidity of assembly: FEA was not taking increased rigidity due to interactions between individual members into account - this decreased deflection in more vulnerable members and pushed yielding back. For example, lug pin and bolts (not modeled here) would contribute reactions to prevent top plate from bending. The interface between the plate and flanges is treated like fused material (i.e. it's all one part) which would provide some internal reactions, but not as much as when the lug pin and bolts are factored in.



# Lug Mount Tensile Test - FEA

- **Reasons for Model Inaccuracy:**
  - Type of yielding: Upon inspection, there was some an indentation on the top plate left behind by the washer. This is technically yielding, but does not affect the assembly or lead to catastrophic failure. This type of yielding is predicted by the model, but is not noticeable in MTS data. This could account for the lower-than-seen safety factors in our model.



# Lug Mount Tensile Test - Additional Information

**DR 3.1:** Structural components must have a safety factor against yield of greater than 2.0

**CPE 1:** Frame must statically support pods of up to 2000 lbs

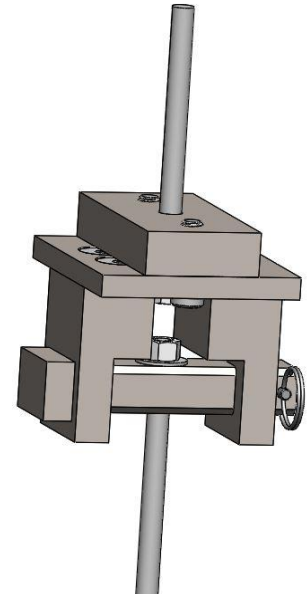
**CPE 5:** Pods and WASP operators should be safe from harm.

- **Equipment/Facilities:**

- Pilot Lab Electromechanical MTS machine
- Modified 2000 lb lug mount assembly
  - 2 x  $\frac{3}{8}$ -16 hex bolt connectors
  - $\frac{3}{8}$ " clearance hole in pin
  - 2" x 4" x  $\frac{3}{4}$ " block to simulate testbed centerbeam

- **Procedure:**

- Modified Tension (simplified) code in MTS TestSuite
- Pull lug mount at 0.03 in./min until failure,
- Record force [lbf], time [s], and extension [in.]



Model of Assembly with Interface

# Lug Mount Tensile Test - Yielding Point Characterization

DR 3.1: Structural components must have a safety factor against yield of greater than 2.0

CPE 1: Frame must statically support pods of up to 2000 lbs

CPE 5: Pods and WASP operators should be safe from harm.

- **Yielding at 13000 lbs could have been due to threads in interface or top plate**
  - In order to determine whether plate yielding began at that point:
    - Found the time at which yielding began in MTS data (607.858 seconds)
    - Found the video time associated with interface failure (555 seconds) and compared it to interface failure time in MTS data (778.858 seconds). Difference of 223.858 seconds
    - Used this to calculate time where yielding began in the video ( $607.858 - 223.858 = 384$  seconds)
  - After careful inspection of the video, the plate began to visibly yield within 20 seconds of the 384s mark. So too, however, did the bolt threads.
  - Since the threads are small and moved little, they did not contribute to the majority of the yielding. It is safe to say that the safety factor of the mount is closer to 6.5 than 7.75, and that plastic deformation began closer to 13000 lbs than 15500 lbs when the interface failed.

# Structural Integrity Test - Weld Table Weight

DR 3.1: Structural components must have a safety factor against yield of greater than 2.0

DR 3.3: WASP shall lift pods out of their cradles

CPE 1: Frame must statically support pods of up to 2000 lbs

CPE 5: Pods and WASP operators must be safe from harm.

- **Weld Table Weighing:**

- Currently do not know the weight of the table precisely
- Options for weighing:



- Weigh station - Drive truck to a weigh station with and without the table, take weight difference
- 500 lb compression load cells and moment balance calculations - Assume CG is in the center of the table, measure force on load cells as a fulcrum is moved further from the center. Use these to determine the load on the fulcrum and sum with load cells to find weight
- Custom load cell - Block of steel/aluminum with strain gauge attached. Characterize strain in MTS machine, then hang the table from the forklift with lift straps, measure strain, and correlate to a load
- Heavy-duty hanging scale - Hang from forklift with lift straps (\$90)

[https://www.vevor.com/products/hanging-scale-crane-scale-1000-kg-2000-lb-digital-industrial-heavy-duty-auto-off?oclid=CivKCAIAm-2BBhANFIwAe7evFFBeR4h483ycziLsTEoCoPaiWkDRFTreD-77TCHRVdJXvst2x8z9hcCBGAQAvD\\_ByE](https://www.vevor.com/products/hanging-scale-crane-scale-1000-kg-2000-lb-digital-industrial-heavy-duty-auto-off?oclid=CivKCAIAm-2BBhANFIwAe7evFFBeR4h483ycziLsTEoCoPaiWkDRFTreD-77TCHRVdJXvst2x8z9hcCBGAQAvD_ByE)

Factors in deciding:

- Time - SIT must be conducted in mid-March
- Budget - Avoid cutting into management reserves as much as possible given other constraints
- Complexity - Increased complexity increases both error and time

# Structural Integrity Test - Weld Table Weight

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**CPE 5:** Pods and WASP operators must be safe from harm.

- **Update:**

- After significant discussion, the team decided to weigh the plate using WASP
- Will connect the weld table with the dummy load cells in place (after testing with smaller known weights)
- Once structural integrity is guaranteed with the table, replace load cell replacement blocks with 1000 lb FSO load cells
- Tare weight of testbed and measure the table
- Once characterized, can replace the load cells with the dummy blocks and perform the actual structural integrity test with 2000 lbs.

# Structural Integrity Test - Additional Information

**DR 3.1:** Structural components must have a safety factor against yield of greater than 2.0

**DR 3.3:** WASP shall lift pods out of their cradles

**CPE 1:** Frame must statically support pods of up to 2000 lbs

**CPE 5:** Pods and WASP operators must be safe from harm.

- **Equipment/Facilities:**

- Machine shop welding table and scrap metal, lift straps, strain gauges, WASP DAQ system

- **Procedure:**

- Utilize ~1300 lb welding table, ~700 lbs of metal, and interfacing. Thread lifting straps through welding table holes and attach to WASP via lug mounts.
- Check for yielding or other signs of failure throughout the structure (especially in regions of complex geometry). Measure strain in critical (based on FEA) locations using strain gauges



# Load Cell Characterization - Statistical Analysis (1)

## Linear Model: 500lbs LC

Linear regression model:

$$y \sim 1 + x1$$

Estimated Coefficients:

	Estimate	SE	tStat	pValue
(Intercept)	1.6259e-05	3.29e-08	494.19	0
x1	6.006e-06	1.0172e-10	59047	0

Number of observations: 920, Error degrees of freedom: 918

Root Mean Squared Error: 3.46e-07

R-squared: 1, Adjusted R-Squared: 1

F-statistic vs. constant model: 3.49e+09, p-value = 0

## Linear Model: 1000lbs LC

Linear regression model:

$$y \sim 1 + x1$$

Estimated Coefficients:

	Estimate	SE	tStat	pValue
(Intercept)	1.4277e-05	1.4385e-08	992.47	0
x1	3.0056e-06	2.2693e-11	1.3245e+05	0

Number of observations: 1694, Error degrees of freedom: 1692

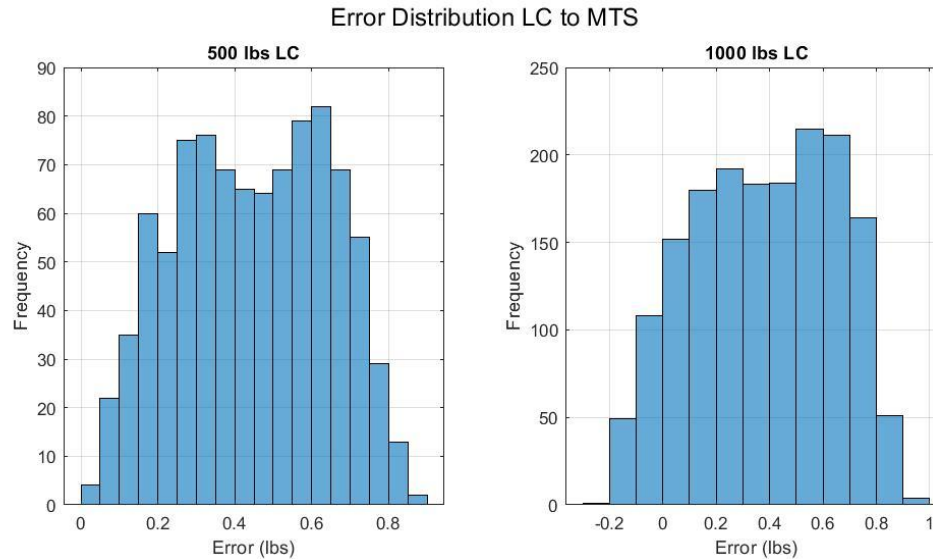
Root Mean Squared Error: 2.27e-07

R-squared: 1, Adjusted R-Squared: 1

F-statistic vs. constant model: 1.75e+10, p-value = 0

# Load Cell Characterization - Statistical Analysis (2)

## Normality of Error - 500lbs and 1000lbs Load Cells



### Normality of Error: LC - MTS

$$H_0: E \sim N(\mu_E, \sigma_E); H_a: E \neq N(\mu_E, \sigma_E)$$

K-S Test for Normality,  $\alpha = 5\%$

$$500 \text{ lbs LC: } p = 6.54 \times 10^{-4} < \alpha$$

$$1000 \text{ lbs LC: } p = 1.12 \times 10^{-6} < \alpha$$

**REJECT THE NULL HYPOTHESIS**

Performed K-S test on both the unadjusted and standard normalized data sets - both were non-normal

# Monte Carlo Simulation

DR 1.1: WASP shall measure the pod weight within a tolerance of  $\pm 0.1\%$  of the total pod weight

DR 2.1: WASP shall measure the pod X, Y, & Z CG of each pod with an accuracy of  $\pm 0.1$  in.

## Updates to model:

- **Inclinometer accuracy =  $\pm 0.025^\circ$** , Wyler Clinotronic Plus [10]
- Load Cells Error distribution model
  - Mean = 0.0 % FSO
  - **Std. Dev. =  $(1/2.4) * (0.02\% \text{ FSO})$**  [1]
- Worst-case scenario - model evaluated at **maximum** expected error:

**W:** 0.18%  $\rightarrow 6.7\sigma$

**XCG:** 0.05 in  $\rightarrow 3.0\sigma$

**YCG:** 0.07 in  $\rightarrow 10.4\sigma$

**ZCG:** 0.14 in  $\rightarrow 3.3\sigma$

Pod Weight [lbs]	Load Cell Sensor Full-Span	
	500 lbs	1000 lbs
200	> 95%	> 95%
300	> 95%	> 95%
350	> 95%	> 95%
400	X	> 95%
500	X	> 95%
600	X	> 95%
700	X	> 95%
800	X	> 95%
850	X	> 95%
900	X	> 95%
1000	X	> 95%

*Expected Success Rate for Satisfying Accuracy Requirements for Weight and CG vs. Pod Weight*

(From Monte Carlo Simulations with N = 10000)



# Electronics Hardware

# Omega LC103B Load Cells [8]

## Specifications:

Accuracy (>25lb): class C3

Approvals(>25lb): OIML R60

Output sensitivity (mV/V):  $3.0 \pm 0.008$  ( $\leq 25lb$   $2.0 \pm 0.006$ )

Maximum number of load cell intervals (nLC): 3000

Ratio of minimum LC verification interval ( $Y=E_{max}/v_{min}$ ): 10000

Combined error (%FS):  $\pm 0.020$

Minimum dead load: 0

Safe overload (%FS): 150%

Ultimate overload (%FS): 300%

Zero balance (%FS):  $\pm 1.0\%$

Excitation, recommended voltage (V): 5 to 12(DC)

Excitation maximum (V): 18(DC)

Input resistance ( $\Omega$ ):  $430 \pm 50$

Output resistance ( $\Omega$ ):  $351 \pm 2$

Insulation resistance (M $\Omega$ ):  $\geq 5000$  (50VDC)

Compensated temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): -10 to 40

Operating temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): -35 to 65

Storage temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): -40 to 70

Element material: Stainless steel

Ingress protection (according to EN 60529): IP67

Recommended torque on fixation (Thread:lb.ft): 1/4"UNF:18 1/2"UNF:55 3/4"UNF:330 1"UNF:550 1 1/8"UNF:1070

Recommended torque on fixation (Thread:Nm): M8:25 M12:75 M20:450 M24:750 M30:1450



# Wyler AG Clinotronic Plus [10]



Measuring range Messbereich		± 10 Arcdeg	± 30 Arcdeg	± 45 Arcdeg ± 60 Arcdeg
Calibration / Kalibrierung	Last values at: / letzte Werte bei:	± 10 Arcdeg	± 30 Arcdeg	± 50 Arcdeg resp. ± 60 Arcdeg
Limits of Error / Fehlergrenze		< 1 Arcmin + 1 Digit	< 1.5 Arcmin + 1 Digit	< 2 Arcmin + 1 Digit
Settle time / Messzeit	Value available after / Anzeige nach:	< 2 Secs.		
Resolution / Auflösung	Dep. on units set / abhängig von Einstellung	> 5 Arcsec (0.025 mm/m)		
Temp. Coeff. / Temperatur-Koeff.	Zero and scale / Null und Skala	< 0.01 Arcdeg./°C		
Data connection / Anschluss		RS485 / asynchron / 7 Bit / 2 Stop Bit / no parity / 9600 Baud		
Battery / Batterie		1 x Size AA 1.5V Alkaline		

# NI 9237 Bridge Module [14]

## DATASHEET

# NI 9237

4 AI,  $\pm 25$  mV/V, 24 Bit, 50 kS/s/ch Simultaneous, Bridge Completion

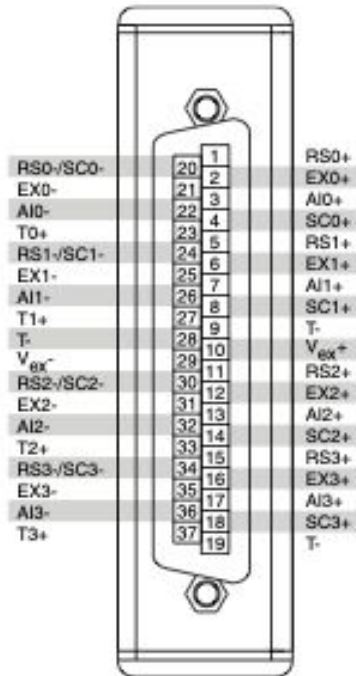


- 4 channels, 50 kS/s per channel simultaneous AI
- $\pm 25$  mV/V input range, 24-bit resolution
- Programmable half- and full-bridge completion with up to 10 V internal excitation
- 60 VDC, Category I bank isolation
- RJ50 or D-SUB connectivity options
- $-40$  °C to  $70$  °C operating range, 5 g vibration, 50 g shock

[http://www.ni.com/pdf/manuals/374186a\\_02.pdf](http://www.ni.com/pdf/manuals/374186a_02.pdf)

# NI 9237 Pinout/ Signal Descriptions [14]

## Signal Descriptions



**Table 1.** NI 9237 Signal Descriptions

Signal Name	Description
AI+	Positive analog input signal connection
AI-	Negative analog input signal connection
RS+	Positive remote sensing connection
RS-	Negative remote sensing connection
EX+	Positive sensor excitation connection
EX-	Negative sensor excitation connection
T+	TEDS data connection
T-	TEDS return connection
SC	Shunt calibration connection



# NI cDAQ-9171 Compact DAQ [15]



## DEVICE SPECIFICATIONS

### NI cDAQ™ -9171

#### NI CompactDAQ One-Slot Bus-Powered USB Chassis

These specifications are for the NI cDAQ-9171 chassis only. These specifications are typical at 25 °C unless otherwise noted. For the C Series module specifications, refer to the documentation for the C Series module you are using.

## Analog Input

Input FIFO size	127 samples
Maximum sample rate <sup>1</sup>	Determined by the C Series module
Timing accuracy <sup>2</sup>	50 ppm of sample rate
Timing resolution <sup>2</sup>	12.5 ns
Number of channels supported	Determined by the C Series module

<https://www.ni.com/pdf/manuals/374037b.pdf>

## Analog Output

Number of channels supported	
Hardware-timed task	
Onboard regeneration	16
Non-regeneration	Determined by the C Series module
Non-hardware-timed task	
Determined by the C Series module	
Maximum update rate	
Onboard regeneration	1.6 MS/s (multi-channel, aggregate)
Non-regeneration	Determined by the C Series module
Timing accuracy	50 ppm of sample rate
Timing resolution	12.5 ns
Output FIFO size	
Onboard regeneration	8,191 samples shared among channels used
Non-regeneration	127 samples
AO waveform modes	
Non-periodic waveform, periodic waveform regeneration mode from onboard memory, periodic waveform regeneration from host buffer including dynamic update	

# MicroMeasurements CEA-06-250UW-350 Strain Gauge [16]

## CHARACTERISTICS

Gage Length: 250

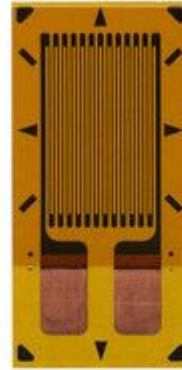
Resistance ( $\Omega$ ): 120, 175, 350, 1000, 120, 175, 350

Series: CEA, W2A

STC: 00, 06, 13, 05, 15, 03, 09

Options: P2, SP11

## Dimensions:

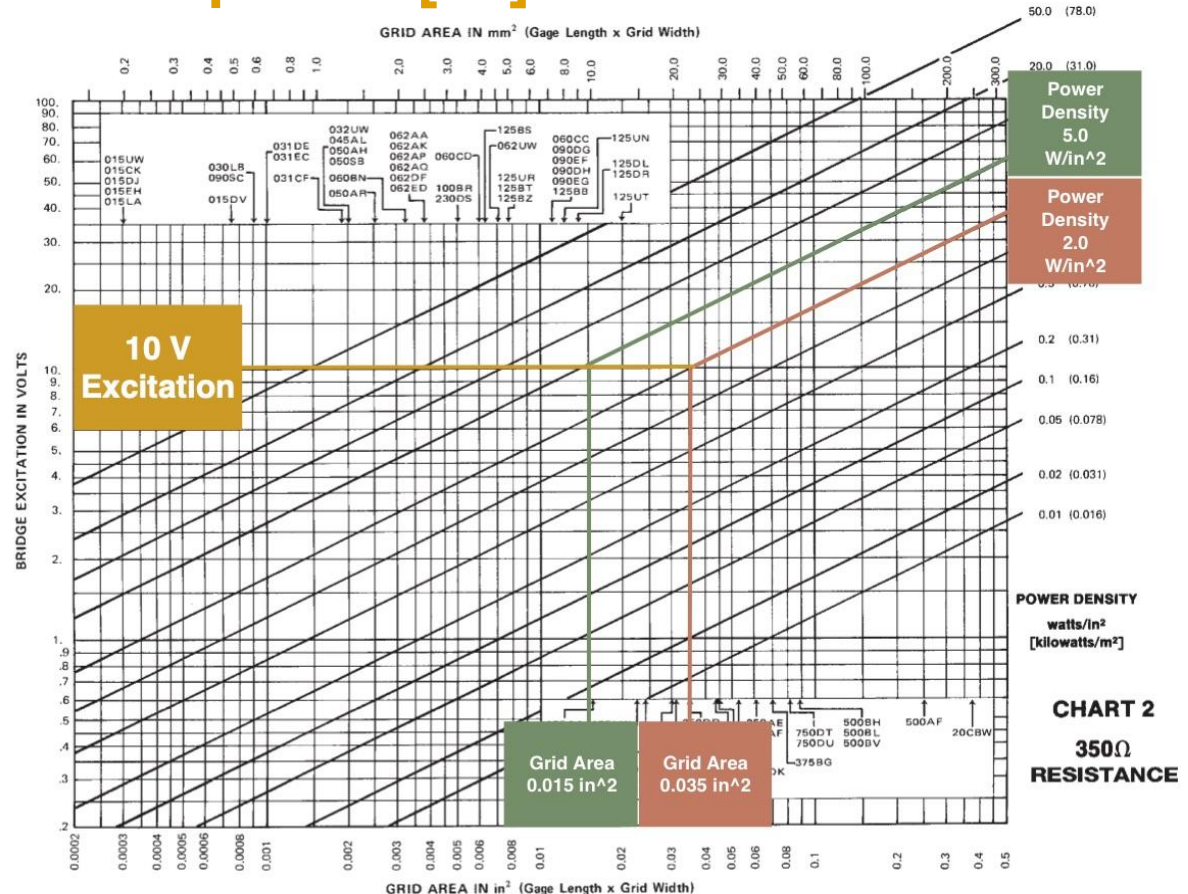


Gage Length	Overall Length	Grid Width	Overall Width	Matrix Length	Matrix Width
0.25 in.	0.45 in.	0.18 in.	0.18 in.	0.55 in.	0.27 in.
6.35 mm	11.43 mm	4.57 mm	4.57 mm	14 mm	6.9 mm

<https://micro-measurements.com/pca/detail/250uw>

# Strain Gauge Power Dissipation [12]

- **350Ω Resistance**
  - Same as LC103B
- **10V Excitation**
- **Moderate Accuracy**
  - Static conditions
  - 2 - 5 W/in<sup>2</sup>
- **Grid Area Range**
  - 0.015 - 0.035 in<sup>2</sup>
- **5 x EA-06-250UW-350-L**
  - 2 half-bridges
  - 1 quarter-bridge



# DSUB-37 Connectors and Backshell [17] [18]

Connector [17]



<https://www.digikey.com/en/products/detail/norcomp-inc/171-037-103L001/858153>

Backshell [18]



<https://www.digikey.com/en/products/detail/cinch-connectivity-solutions-aim-cambridge/40-9737H/3830312>

# 4-Pin Connectors [19] [20]

**Male, B4B-XH-A(LF)(SN) [19]**



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**Female, 04JQ-BT [20]**



<https://www.digikey.com/en/products/detail/jst-sales-america-inc/04JQ-BT/4918835>



# Budget

# Caster Wheels [21]



Mount Type	Stem
Wheel	
Diameter	2 1/2"
Width	1 1/8"
Number of	1
Mount Height	4 1/16"-4 5/8"
Capacity per Caster	1,100 lbs.
Hardness Rating	Hard
Hardness	Durometer 70D
Stem Type	Threaded
Stem Shape	Round
Stem Thread Size	1/2"-13
Stem Length	1 1/4"
Adjustment	
Style	Ratchet
Wheel/Tread Material	Nylon Plastic
Tread Shape	Flat
Nonmarking Wheels	Yes
Wheel Color	Black
Wheel Type	Solid
Wheel Bearing Type	Without Bearing

<https://www.mcmaster.com/2445T24/>