### Team 6 - Final Design Panel Interlocking Mechanism for Solid Reflector



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# Overview

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# Introduction – What Harris Needs

- Alternative Interstellar Reflector Dish
- General Requirements:
  - Higher Surface
    Accuracy
  - Equivalent
    Packing
    Volume
  - Equivalent
    Reliability



# Introduction – Where We Fit In

• Our Goal:

Help Harris make an informed decision regarding a particular concept

- Key Questions
  - Can it work? Is it feasible?
  - What are the potential gains?
  - What are the concept's limitations?



Image provided by Harris Sponsor

### Introduction – The Concept

- Tangentially Deployed Achieved by hub mechanism design
- High Surface
  Accuracy
  Achieved by rigid
  material
- Interlocking Panels Achieved by panel design



### Our Design - Video



#### Magnet Assisted Kinematic Interpanel Coupling Mechanism



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#### **Kinematic Coupling Components**



# Why Our Design?

#### Pros

- Simple no wires /cables
- High positioning accuracy
  - Up to Micron Level
- Active retaining force

#### Low profile

#### Cons

- Unexplored use of Magnets
- No mechanical latching
- Magnets have temperature limits





#### Material Selection 2 of 5

#### • Stiff Material

Material	Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Elastic Modulus (GPa)	Cost (\$/kg)
Steels	7,850	201-217	0.85
CFRP	1,550	69-150	42.00
Al alloys	2,700	68-82	1.60
Ti alloys	4,600	90-120	70.00



#### Material Selection 4 of 5

#### • Strong Material

Material	Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Yield Strength (MPa)	Cost (\$/kg)
Steels	7,850	400-1,100	0.85
CFRP	1,550	550-1,050	42.00
Al alloys	2,700	30-500	1.60
Ti alloys	4,600	250-1,245	70.00

# Material Selection 5 of 5

- Cone Material Steel
  - Ferrous, will be needed for magnet attraction
- Cup Material Aluminum
  - Nonferrous, will not interfere with magnet
- Armature Material Aluminum
  - Light weight
- Bracket Material Aluminum
  - Ease of machining, weight







# Manufacturing Parts

- Conventional Machining
  - Bracket requires minimal machining
  - Armatures requires machining
  - Cone hemisphere machined from steel sphere/rod
  - V block machine from Aluminum stock
  - Panels already built, minimal modifications

# Analysis- Magnets 1 of 2

Permanent Magnet Type	Maximum Energy Product (MGOe)	Coercive Force (kOe)	Maximum Working Temperature ºC
Ceramic5	3.4	2,400	400
Sintered Alnico 5	3.9	620	540
Cast Alnico 8	5.3	1,650	540
Samarium Cobalt 20 (1,5)	20.0	8,000	260
Samarium Cobalt 28 (2,17)	28.0	9.500	350
Neodymium 33UH	33.0	10,700	180
Neodymium N45	45.0	10,800	80

#### Neodymium

• Pros:

-High energy product and coercive force

- Cons:
  - -Low mechanical strength (brittle)
  - -Moderate temperature stability

#### Samarium Cobalt

• Pros:

-High energy product, coercive force and temperature stability

• Cons:

-Low mechanical strength (brittle)-Higher cost

# Analysis – Magnets 2 of 2

- Exposed temperature dependent on
  - Orientation to sun
  - Material emissivity
  - Material absorptivity
- Special coatings used
  - Keep temperature
    range between
    -129°C and 120°C

Material	Maximum Working Temperature
NdFeB N	80 °C
NdFeB M	100 °C
NdFeBH	120 °C
NdFeBSH	150 °C
NdFeBUH	180 °C
NdFeB EH	200 °C

# **Magnet Selection**

- Neodymium Ring Magnet
  - Grade N42
  - Approximated magnet pull force: 6.5 lbs
  - Nickel-copper-nickel coating
  - Dimensions:
    - Outer diameter: 0.5 inch
    - Thickness: 0.125 inch
    - 0.25 inch x 0.125 inch 90 degree taper countersunk hole
  - Price: \$0.99/magnet





Courtesy of Magnet4Less.com

# **Bill of Materials**

Component	Specifications	Vendor	Price per unit	Quantity	Sub Total
	1/8" OD x 1/16" ID x	K&J Magnetics,			
Neodymium Magnet	1/16" thick	Inc.	\$0.79 - \$3.75	12	\$9.48 - \$45.00
Cone	Steel	Bal-tec	\$9.90 - \$31.50	12	\$118.80 - \$378.00
Aluminum 6061					
(Bracket)	1/4" x 1" x 6'	McMaster Carr	\$16.02	5	\$80.10
Aluminum 6061 (V-					
block)	1/2" x 1" x 3'	McMaster Carr	\$17.23	1	\$17.23
Sheet Aluminum (Z-	0.10" thick, 12" x				
Arm)	24" plate	Speedy Metals	\$16.85	3	\$50.55
	1/8", Flat Head, pack				
Screws	of 100	Home Depot	\$4.65	1	\$4.65
Bolts	1/8", pack of 100	Home Depot	\$4.24	1	\$4.24
		The Binding			
Ероху	1.7 oz, Clear	Source, LLC	\$15.52	1	\$15.52
				TOTAL:	\$300.57 - \$595.29

# Future Plans – Testing 1 of 3

- Answer the question: *Is it feasible*?
  - Kinematics: Show concept can be constructed. Show tangential deployment can be achieved.
- Answer the question: *What is there to be gained?* 
  - Higher Surface Accuracy (Harris already knows this)
  - Packing Volume Show concept can be implemented with similar volume and fairing constraints
- Answer the question: *What are the limitations?* 
  - What loading conditions will cause separation?
  - What temperature conditions will cause failure?
  - Will launch require extra preparations?
  - Any unpredicted issues?

#### Future Plans - Goals 2 of 3

- General Goals:
  - Work with sponsor to continue developing
    Postprocessing plans
  - Work with school shop to develop fabrication plan and finalize part sources
  - Order Parts
  - Assemble
  - Conduct Postprocessing

#### Future Plans - Schedule 3 of 3

#### Spring'12 Schedule



# Conclusions

- Straightforward approach to satisfying client needs
- Simple, Cost Effective Design
- Design is passive, adjustable, utilizes recycled material

# Safety Concerns 1 of 2

- Magnet Safety
  - Risk 1: Pinching
    - Risk Assessment:
      - Pinching becomes a serious risk to fingers and skin as magnet size increases.
      - Pinching should not be a concern give the size of magnets being considered.
    - Precautions:
      - If pinched, a brass wedge may be insert to prevent the magnets pinching further as the magnets are removed

# Safety Concerns 2 of 2

- Risk 2: Chipping
  - Risk Assessment:
    - Some magnet formulas are more prone to chipping than others.
    - Magnets should not receive high mechanical loads.
    - Risk increases with magnet size.
    - Chipping should not pose much risk due to magnet size.
  - Precautions:
    - Be aware of the risk, know what magnet formulas and situations can lead to higher risk levels
    - PPE Eyewear is recommended

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# Questions?