

# Proton Therapy Device Manager .decimal

Midterm 2 Presentation

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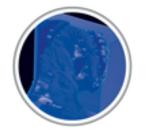
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- Manufacturer of radiation therapy products
- Based in Sanford, Florida
- Established in 1986
- Helped over 50,000 patients















# **Proton Therapy**

- Newest form of radiation treatment
  - Protons instead of x-rays
- Technician manually loads apertures
- Walk through reinforced hallways between dosages.
- Process takes about 4 minutes per aperture





# **Project Motive**

- Reduce patient treatment time
- Reduce physical effort of technician
- Increase patients treated per day
- Improve the patient's proton therapy experience



#### **Needs Statement**

Develop an automated device that safely loads and unloads apertures from the nozzle of the Mevion S250 proton therapy system.

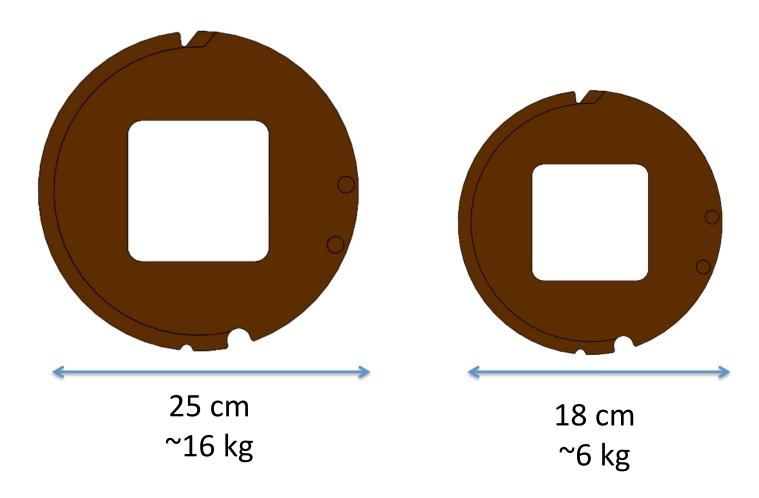


# Project Scope

Provide proof of concept by designing and building a 1:4 scale model of our automated system and provide a cost estimate for the full scale system.



# Apertures



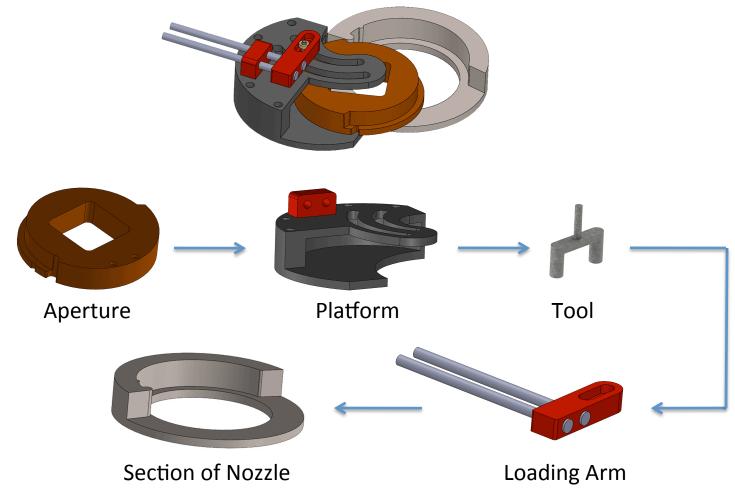


# Design Concept





# Assembly



# Video



# Further Implementation

- Mechanical
  - Linear railing system to move platform
  - Vertical adjustment system for platform
  - Rotational motion for platform
  - Mechanism to unlock safety latch on the nozzle
  - Optimize tool to handle applied forces
- Software
  - Barcode scanning system to identify products

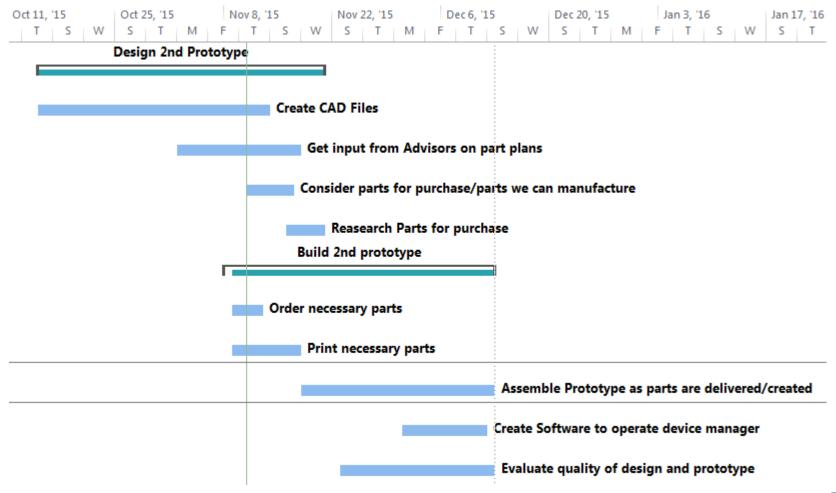


# Risk Mitigation

- Verify apertures are loaded into the correct position
  - Barcode scanning system
- Ensure no component failure during operation
  - Finite Element Analysis
  - Failure Mode Effects Analysis
- Implement aperture security safeguard
  - Utilize nozzle safety latch



#### **Gantt Chart**



### Summary

- Dot decimal has requested an automated loading system
- Chosen design concept solves the loading/ unloading problems
- Future Implementations
  - Scanning
  - Safety Latch
  - 3 DOF motion system



### Questions



