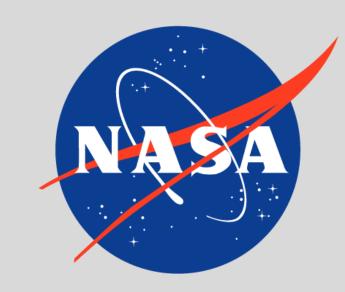


Team 517: Green Propellant Thrust Stand

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Objective

Produce a thrust stand that validates the force specifications of a 100mN green propellant thruster.

Key Goals



Accurately measure 100 mN thruster



Identify errors with postprocessing



Perform autonomous calibration



Designed for university manufacturing

Background



ASCENT is a safer alternative to Hydrazine



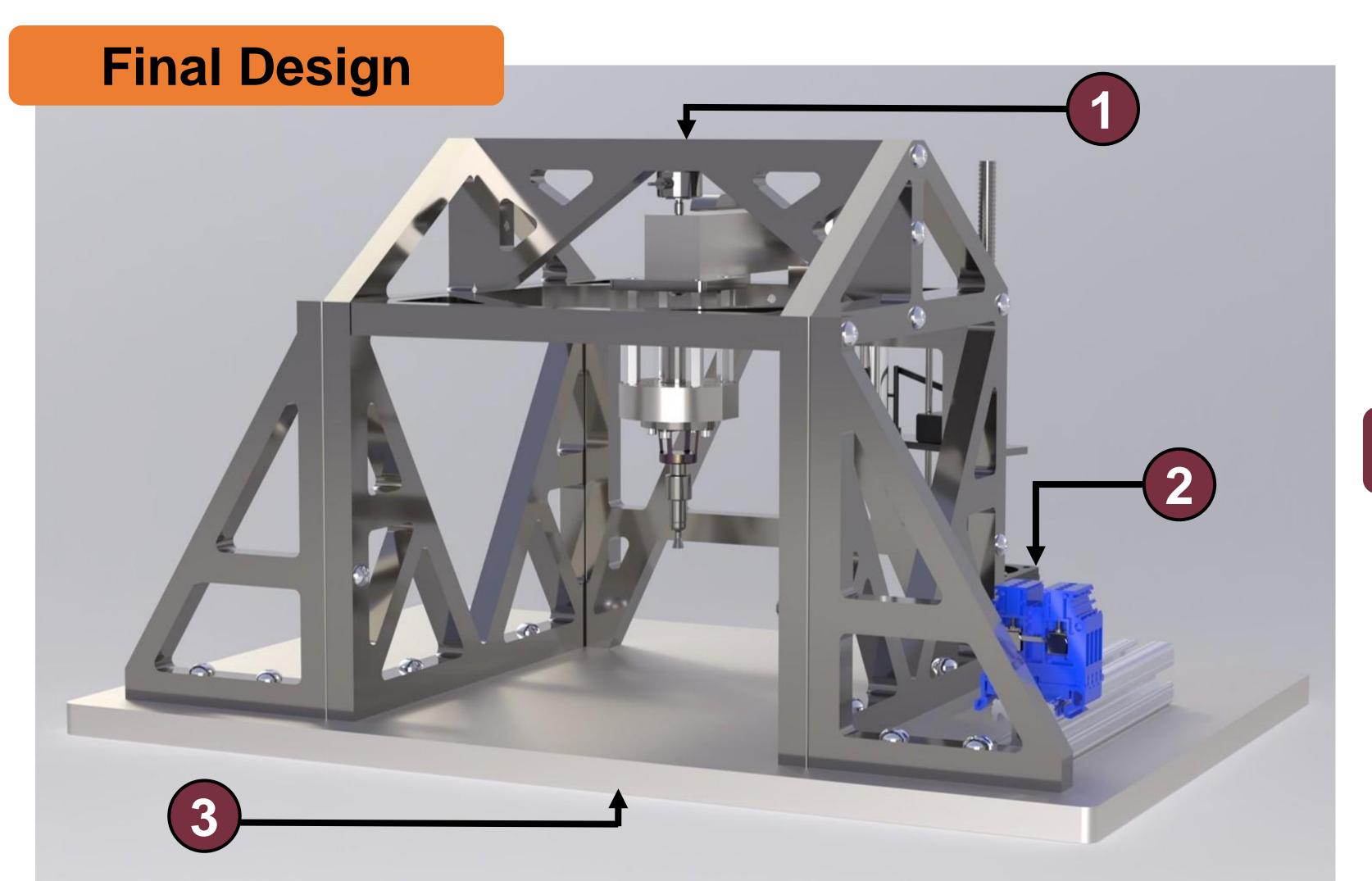
Requires less onboard propellant



Low manufacturing cost



Used in GPIM and Lunar Flashlight Missions

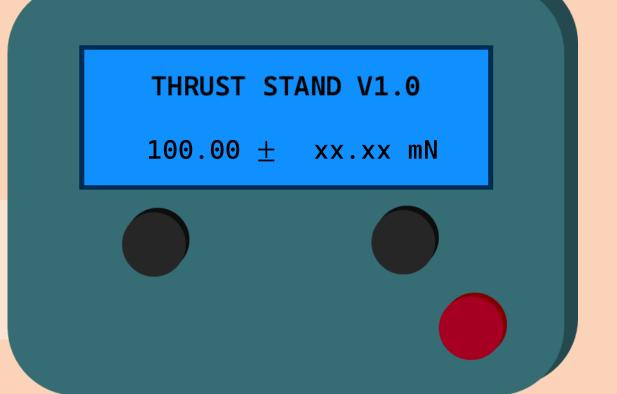


Data Collection

 Live thrust reading shown on an LCD screen

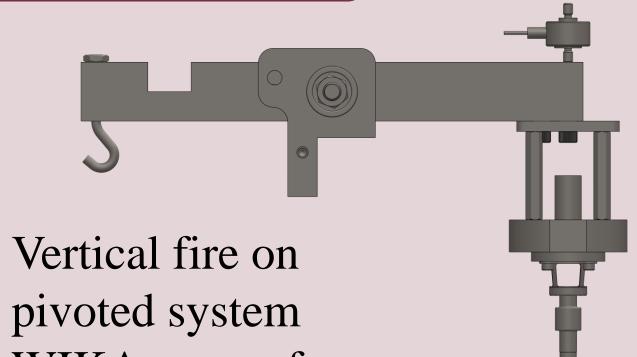






Critical Subsystems

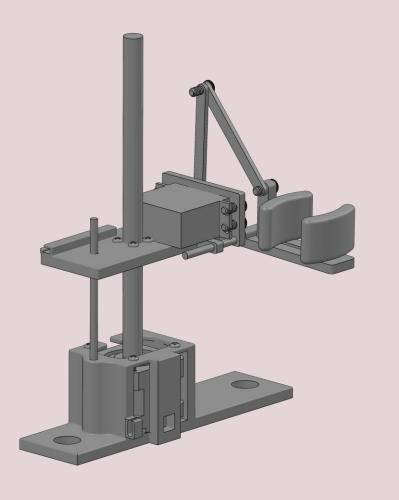
1. Measurement



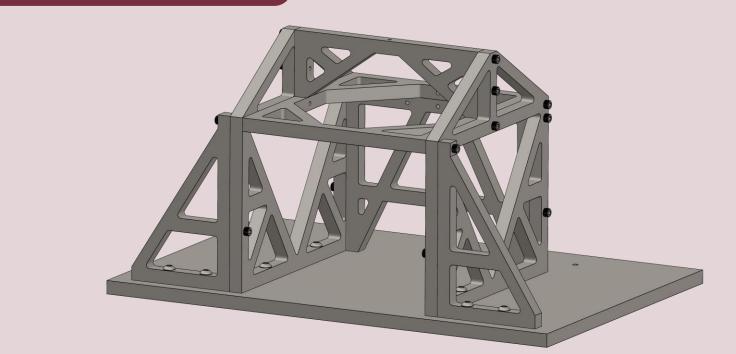
• WIKA sensor for mN accuracy

2. Calibration

- Autonomous loading system
- Precision dualmotor setup



3. Structure



- 304 Stainless Steel
- Lightweight with high stiffness