



CanSat 2016 Critical Design Review (CDR) Outline Version 1.0

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Team Organization







Acronyms



A: Analysis A/D: Analog or Digital ADC: Analog Digital Converter C: Container CDH: Communication & Data Handling **Critical Design Review** CDR: CG: Center of Gravity CRN: **Competition Requirement Number** D: Demonstration DCR: **Descent Control Requirement** E.M. : Electro Mechanical EPS: **Electrical Power System** FRR: Flight Readinees Review Flight Software FSW: GCS: Ground Control System G: Glider GPS : **Global Positioning System** GS: **Ground Station** HB: Horizontal Beamwidth HPBW: Half Power Beamwidth Inspection 1: LOS: Line of Sight



Acronyms



- MR: Mechanical Requirement
- PWM: Pulse Width Modulation
- CDR: Preliminary Design Review
- PFR: Preflight Review
- RF: Radio Frequency
- SEN: Sensor Subsystem Requirement
- SR: System Requirement
- SRB: System Requirement Bonus
- T: Test
- TBC: To be confirmed
- TBD: To be determined
- VB: Vertical Beamwidth
- VM: Verification Method





Systems Overview

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Mission Objectives

- Simulate a sensor device travelling through a planetary atmosphere collecting atmospheric composition data during flight.
- The glider shall survive the launch conditions and separate from the rocket.
- The CanSat shall descend using a parachute and release the glider at 400 m altitude.
- The glider shall fly in the flight envelope defined by the competition requirements.
- The glider shall record atmospheric pressure, temperature and location data once per second and transmit them to the ground station.
- Measure glider speed with a pitot tube and compare it to GPS data in the ground station.
- Capture photos of the ground from the glider when a command is received and store them in the memory.
- <u>Accomplish both of the following bonus objectives:</u>
- 1) The camera shall be able to rotate from starboard to nadir to port and capture a photo when a command is received from the ground station.
- 2) Send the captured photos to the ground station at a rate of 1 Hz using the same Xbee radio.

External Objectives:

• Grow and popularize CanSat tradition in Middle East Technical University.



Summary of Changes Since CDR



| Subject | New Design | Previous Design | Rationale |
|--|--|--|--|
| Wing type | Single Wing | Bi-plane | Lightweight, better aerodynamics |
| Wing airfoil | /ing airfoil Cambered airfoil | | Better aerodynamics |
| Wing materials | Balsa | Carbon fiber and cloth | Higher manufacturing precision for airfoil shape |
| Wing Deployment mechanism | Wings fold downwards and open with elastic band and spring | Wings fold back and open with elastic band | Solid wings can't be bent like in the previous design. |
| Tail Arm | Longer tail arm | Shorter tail arm | Insufficient tail moment |
| Tail DeploymentTail arm is extendedfrom fuselage with elastic bands | | Fixed tail arm | Insufficient volume inside the container |



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| Subject | New Design | Previous Design | Rationale |
|---|---|------------------------------------|--|
| Fuselage Size | Smaller diameter, greater length | Larger diameter, smaller length | Better aerodynamics |
| Fuselage construction and materials | uselage Mostly Hand-made 3D printed plast ruction and Carbon Fiber Composite aterials | | Lightweight |
| Battery | Two batteries | One Battery | The power of one battery was not enough |





| ID | CRN | Requirement | Children | Α | T | т | D |
|-----|---------------------------|--|--------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| SR1 | 1 | Total mass of the CanSat (Container and glider) shall be 500 grams \pm 10. | MR1 | Х | | | х |
| SR2 | 2, 3 | The glider shall be wholly in the container and the container shall fit in a 125mm x 310 mm envelope including tolerances. | MR2,MR3 | Х | х | | х |
| SR3 | 3 | The container shall have a passive control system. | DCR1 | х | х | х | х |
| SR4 | 5 | The container shall not get stuck in the rocket. | MR4 | | Х | | |
| SR5 | 6, 36 | The CanSat shall use a florescent color and carry team contact information for easy recovery. | MR5 | | х | | х |
| SR6 | 7, 8 | The rocket airframe shall not be used to stop deployable parts or to fulfill any operations. | | | х | | |
| SR7 | 10 | The glider shall be released from the container at 400m \pm 10 m. | SEN1,DCR4, FSW1, FSW3 | х | | х | |
| SR8 | 11, 46 | The glider shall fly for 2 minutes in a circular pattern with a diameter of no more than 1000 m. | DCR2, DCR5,DCR6 | Х | | х | |
| SR9 | 12,13, 15,16, 17,18 | The CanSat (Glider and the Container) shall be structurally robust. (resistant to acceleration and shock.) | DCR3,DCR7 | Х | Х | х | |





| ID | CRN | Requirement | Children | Α | I | т | D |
|------|--------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| SR10 | 14, 20 | All electrical and electronic components with the exception of the sensors shall be sealed from the outside environment. | | | Х | | х |
| SR11 | 19, 38 | Pyrotechnics, chemical or lasers shall not be used in the CanSat. | | | Х | | х |
| SR12 | 21, 22, 23, 44 | The glider shall collect, record and transmit mission time(one second or better resolution), GPS data, speed (pitot tube), temperature, pressure, photo capture command count, time of the last command, battery voltage and camera angle at 1 Hz rate starting from the launch. | SEN2,SEN6,CDH1, CDH2,CDH3,CDH4, CDH5, CDH6, CDH13, CDH14, EPS2, FSW2, FSW4, FSW5, | | | x | x |
| SR13 | 24, 25, 26 | The glider shall use XBEE radios. The radios shall not use broadcast mode and their SETID/PANID shall be set to team number. | CDH8,CDH9,CDH10 | | Х | | х |
| SR14 | 11, 49 | The glider shall use a fixed wing and only passive control surfaces. | | | х | | |
| SR15 | 27, 28, 43 | The glider shall have a color camera with a minimum resolution of 640x480 px pointing downwards. The camera is activated by a tele-command to capture and store the photos. | SEN4, CDH11, CDH12, FSW8, FSW9, GCS9 | | Х | | х |
| SR16 | 29 | Total cost of the CanSat shall be no more than 1000\$, excluding analysis tools and ground station. | | х | х | | |
| SR17 | 30, 31, 32, 33, 35 | A portable ground station capable of displaying and plotting telemetry in real time in engineering units shall be developed. | GCS1,GCS2,GCS3, GCS4,GCS6 | | Х | Х | х |





| ID | CRN | Requirement | Children | Α | Т | т | D |
|------|---------------|---|------------|---|---|---|---|
| SR18 | 34 | The ground station shall consist of one laptop with a 2 hr power supply, an XBEE radio and a hand held antenna. | GCS5 | | Х | | |
| SR19 | 39 | The CanSat shall have an easily accessible power switch. | EPS3 | | Х | | |
| SR20 | 40, 41, 42 | The CanSat shall have a well secured Alkaline, lithium ion or Ni-MH battery. | EPS1, | | х | | |
| SR21 | 45 | The pitot tube speed measurement shall be compared to GPS data. | SEN3,FSW10 | | | х | х |
| SR22 | 47 | The CanSat shall be capable of releasing the glider with a ground command. | | | х | х | |
| SR23 | 48 | A buzzer in the glider shall be activated upon landing. | SEN5,FSW11 | | х | х | |
| SR24 | 11, 49 | The glider shall use a fixed wing and only passive control surfaces. | DCR2 | | х | | |
| SR25 | 23 | Mission time shall start when the glider is powered on. | | | | х | х |
| SR26 | 23 | Mission time shall be maintained in the event of processor reset. | CDH7,FSW7 | | | х | |





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|------|------------|--|------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| SR27 | Bonus 1 | The camera shall point at any angle from starboard to port direction through nadir. An image shall be taken in the requested direction. | FSW12, FSW13, GCS10 | | | х | x |
| SR28 | Bonus 2 | The image shall be transmitted right after it has been taken. The telemtry transmission shall not be interrupted during image transmission using the same XBEE radio | | | | х | х |



System Concept of Operations







System Concept of Operations



Pre-Launch

- Preflight Briefing
- Last Checks
 - Mechanics
 - Electronics
- Arrive at the competition area

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- Preflight Operations
- Set up the ground station
- Integrate CanSat into rocket glider
- Launch, Rise, Separation, Descent, Landing(*)
- Locate and retrieve Container and glider

Post Launch

- Analyze Recieved Data
- Prepare PFR
- Presentation of PFR

* See previous slide.





All dimensions in mm















Diameter of CanSat: **120mm** Height of CanSat: **300mm**

As seen from the dimensions, the CanSat will easily fit into rocket glider according to given envelope dimensions (SR2, **125mm x 310mm**)

There is a 1cm of vertical offset and 0.5cm of horizontal offset. The offsets are large enough for easy deployment and small enough to prevent internal impacts during launch.

Descent control mechanisms are included in CanSat dimensions. With no change in design, it is compatible with the rocket glider section. A cardboard tube (same diameter and thickness with the rocket) can be used for testing prior to the launch day.







Descent Control Design

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• The Descent Control System consists of a parachute for the container and wings for the glider. Descent regime is described in figures below:



- High wing configuration is chosen for the glider because:
 - To increase the stability.
- Commercial tail configuration is chosen for the glider because:
 - Production is easier.
- Parachute is chosen for the container because:
 - Simple, low weight, no active control
 - The parachute has spill holes in the corners to reduce swaying.





• List changes since the PDR are given inside the table including their rationale as follows:

| Subject | Old | New | Rationale |
|------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Wing Airfoil | Flat plate airfoil | Cambered teardrop airfoil | Greater lift force was needed. |
| Wing Type | Bi-plane | Single wing with folding tips | Fuselage interfered with lift generation. |
| Wing Opening Mechanism | Wing leading edge rods folded back. | Wings fold downwards and open with elastic band and spring | Solid wings cannot be folded as in the previous case. |
| Fuselage | Big diameter D = 70 mm | Small diameter D = 60 mm | The previous fuselage was too bulky to be aerodynamically efficient. |
| Tail | T-tail | Conventional Tail | Production is easier with a conventional tail. |





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| Subject | Old | New | Rationale |
|--------------------|---|------------------|---|
| Tail Deployment | Tail arm is extended from fuselage with elastic bands | Fixed tail arm | Insufficient volume inside the container |
| Tail Arm | Longer tail arm | Shorter tail arm | Insufficient tail moment |



Prototype Testing



 A prototype of the glider was manufactured and tested. The test included throwing the glider from a tall building. The results are seen below and show that the glider starts to successfully glide after a distance of about 15 m.







Activation: The wing is held by an elastic band and its deployment is triggered passively when the glider comes out of the container.

Glider takes place in the container as shown below figure.





After release, torsional spring will rotate the whole wing up to 90°. Stopper will stop more rotation.





Descent Control Changes Since PDR: Tail Deployment



- Trigger: Passively trigger system applied to the tail opening system by using elastic bands.
- The tail arm is held by a couple of rails inside the fusulage.





• The tail arms move on this rail and would be extracted by streching elastic bands.



• The tail moves out of the fuselage and strings erect the tail rods.









| ID | Requirements | Rationale | Parent | Α | I | т | D |
|------|--|---|--------|---|---|---|---|
| DCR1 | The container shall use a passive descent control system. | Competition requirement | SR3 | | Х | Х | |
| DCR2 | The glider shall use a fixed wing. | Competition requirement | SR8 | | х | | |
| DCR3 | The CanSat shall be structurally robust. | Competition requirement | SR9 | Х | | Х | |
| DCR4 | The glider shall detach from the container at an altitude of 400 +/-10 m. | Competition requirement | SR7 | Х | | Х | |
| DCR5 | Average descent rate of the glider shall be as close to 3.3 m/s as possible. | Competition requirement (implied) | SR7 | х | | Х | х |
| DCR6 | The glider shall glide in a spiraling path with a diameter less than 1000 m. | Competition requirement | SR8 | Х | | Х | х |





- After the separation from the rocket, the CanSat descends with a parachute.
- The parachute is deployed from the side of the container with airflow.
- The parachute has four strings attached to the closed end of the container.
- No active components are used according to requirements.







- A florescent orange color is chosen for the container.
- The glider shall descend from 400 m altitude in 120 s this means an average 3.3 m/s descend rate.
- Parachute will be placed at the side of the container structure. It will be deployed passively with airflow after deployment from the rocket glider section.
- Container's covering shell will be detachable so that it allows preflight tests. The shell will be attached after the glider is placed into the container.





- A light green material is chosen for the glider for easy detection.
- The glider is connected to the container via a string that is cut at 400 m altitude with a thermal wire cutter.
- Since the wing configuration is changed the glide ratio is determined to be 3.6:1 based on a competitor study. Coupled with descent rate of **3.3 m/s** this results in a flight velocity of about 12.5 m/s.
- Glider cover will be easily detachable for easy inspection and preflight review.
- Wing dimensions are as follows:

Span: 520 mm Surface area: 0.055 m² Aspect ratio: 4,98

Root chord: 104,4 mm Tip chord: 104,4 mm Design angle of attack: 15°









To have a stable and smooth glider separation from container the terminal velocity of cansat should be small

 $I = sqrt(2.W / C_d.\rho.V^2)$

Total mass = 0.5 kg Assume air density is constant and ρ =1.2kg/m³

Cd = 1.0 for square parachute (restrained mode of descent)

A terminal velocity of 8 m/s is appropriate from previous knowledge, the length of one side of the parachute is calculated as

l = 0.35 m



Container following deployment of the glider

The same parachute will descend the container. Then velocity is calculated;

Mass of the container = 0.15kg

$$V_c = sqrt(2.W / C_d.\rho.l^2)$$

The terminal velocity for the container is calculated as

$$V_{c} = 4.3 \text{ m/s}$$





The glider is assumed to fly in two phases

- Transient phase
- Steady state phase

Our experiments show that the transient phase last 20 meters and in 2 seconds. Then steady state flight profile is shown below.







By now the path, velocity, glide ratio and others are known for steady state.

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Flight path angle = atan(380/1368) = 15^{\circ}
L/D<sub>glider</sub> = cotan(15) = 3.6
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This is after all losses including induced drag. Including aspect ratio of the wing into the calculations the $C_{I}/C_{d,airfoil}$ has to be 4.2.

NACA 58115 airfoil will be used. The required lift is obtained at an angle of attack of 15 degrees which is equal to fligth path angle. This means that the glider will fly in horizontal altitude.

This angle of attack $C_L=1.8$

Finally $L = W x \cos(15) = 1/2\rho V^2 SC_L$ Weight of the glider only is assumed to be 400 gr based on past experience. Then **S** = 0.055 m²





Flight parameters are summarized below

| Glide Ratio | Flight Velocity | Descent Rate | Flight Path Angle | Angle of Attack | Coefficient of Lift (C _L) | C _L /C _{D,glider} | Airfoil |
|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| 3.6 | 12.5 | 3.3 | 15 | 15 | 1.8 | 3.6 | NACA 58115 |





CanSat Integration and Test

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- Subsystem integration
 - Electronic components are attached to carbon fiber composite base plate using pin bolts and special adhesive.
 - The fuselage has a removable nose cone that allows for components to be inserted inside.
 - Internal components are attached to the base plate first. The base plate is then inserted into the fuselage from the front end and secured using nuts and bolts.
 - A strip of cloth will be glued to one side of the wing and wing tips.
 The cloth will act as a hinge that lets the tips to be folded.
 - A plane elastic band that extends from one wing tip to the other will be glued to the top of the wing tips.
 - The wing will be attached to the fuselage with a bolt.
 - The tail will be inserted to the fuselage from the front end.
 - The nose cone will then be closed.





- Cansat integration and tests are performed using three models
 - <u>Structural Model</u> to perform mechanical and structural tests.
 - <u>BreadBoard Model</u> to perform CDH tests.
 - <u>Protoflight Model</u> to perform system level tests after system integration to verify functionality.
- Content of the structural and breadboard models and performed subsystem tests are summarized in the next slide.





| Model | Content | Performed Subsystem Tests |
|------------|--|--|
| Structural | Prototypes of container and glider with wings and tail | Stability tests, wind tunnel aerodynamic tests, drop test from high altitude, speed tests. |
| Breadboard | Processors, sensors, tranceivers, power supply | Flight software, data handling, actuator and communication functionality, power regulation |

- Protoflight model will be integrated after the CDR based on the following sequence of subsystems:
 - Communication and Data Handling: Sensors, Processors, Actuator, Transceivers, Flight Software
 - **Power:** Battery, Electronic Circuit Boards, Harness
 - Mechanical: Structural components, Interfaces, Parachute, Wings, Tails



CanSat Integration and Test Overview









- Discuss tests being performed in order to verify the sensor subsystem.
- The test selection should demonstrate an understanding of what is important for testing each sensor at the subsystem and system levels.
- It is not necessary to go through each test in detail, but provide:
 - What each test is to accomplish?
 - Constraints on testing (necessary operational subsystems, ground support equipment, etc.)
 - Pass/fail criteria and expected results what are you looking for? (not just "it works" – discuss how you know it works)





| | Tests | Equipment/ Environment |
|------------------|--|---|
| | Parachute Deployment | By deploying the CanSat from a known altitude (e.g. Roof of a building) By performing wind tunnel tests to measure drag force. |
| Descent | Payload Deployment Mechanism | By deploying the CanSat from a known altitude (e.g. Roof of a building) |
| Control Tests | Descent Control Mechanism | By deploying a glider prototype from a known altitude (e.g. Roof of a building) Lift force is tested in wind tunnel |
| | Shock Force and Acceleration Survival | By dropping /throwing the CanSat from a known altitude (e.g. Roof of a building) By performing structural analysis |





- Discuss tests being performed in order to verify the Mechanical Subsystem.
- Demonstrate an understanding of what is important for mechanical testing at the subsystem and system levels.
 What each test is to accomplish?
 - Constraints on testing (necessary operational subsystems, ground support equipment, etc.)
 - Pass/fail criteria and expected results what are you looking for? (not just "it works" – discuss how you know it works)
 - Deployment / separation testing
 - Acceleration / shock / survivability requirement testing





| Test ID | Verified Requirements | Necessary Equipments | Test Description | Pass/Fail Criteria |
|--|---|--|---|---|
| CDH-T1 Near Communication Test (DONE) | Communication can be done in the required packet format (CDH 4) | Arduino, XBees, GCS software Subsystems: CDH, GCS | 1) Random data will be sent in the required packet format. 2) Graphs will be obtained from the data. | Successful sending and receiving of data |
| CDH-T2 Sensors Test (DONE) | Sensors can send data to Arduino in required format (CDH 1,2,3,5) | Sensors, Arduino Subsystems: CDH, FSW and Sensor | Each sensor will be connected to Arduino Necessary data is requested by an Arduino code | Arduino successfully obtains sensor data |





| Test ID | Verified Requirements | Necessary Equipments | Test Description | Pass/Fail Criteria |
|--|--------------------------|---|---|--|
| CDH-T3 XBee Communication Range Test (NOT COMPLETED) | (CDH 4,16) | XBee Modules Arduino External Antenna Subsystems: GCS and CDH | 1) One XBee will be connected to external antenna, and computer 2) The other will be connected to Arduino 3) The one with Arduino connection moves away | Successful communication without lost packets until 1.5 km distance |
| CDH-T4 RTC of GPS (Reset tolerance) (NOT COMPLETED) | (CDH 5,7) | Arduino GPS Subsystems: FSW and CDH | Real Time Clock of GPS is started with Arduino Arduino will be reseted and error in time will be checked | Timekeeping continues with less than a second of error in reset |





- Discuss the test being performed to verify the EPS
- Demonstrate an understanding of what is important for testing each component at the subsystem and system levels
- It is not necessary to go through each test in detail, but provide:
 - What each test is to accomplish?
 - Constraints on testing (necessary operational subsystems, ground support equipment, etc.)
 - Voltage sensor testing
 - Pass/fail criteria and expected results what are you looking for? (not just "it works" – discuss how you know it works)





- Discuss tests being performed in order to verify the flight software
- Test selection should demonstrate an understanding of what is important for software at subsystem and system levels
- It is not necessary to go through each test in detail, but provide:
 - What each test is to accomplish?
 - Constraints on testing (necessary operational subsystems, ground support equipment, etc.)
 - Pass/fail criteria and expected results what are you looking for? (not just "it works" – discuss how you know it works)
 - Simulation test beds / ground system checkout tests



GCS Testing Overview



| Test ID | Verified Requirements | Equipment | Test Description | Pass/Fail Criteria |
|--|--|---|---|---|
| GCS-T1 Software Test <u>(COMPLETED)</u> | GCS can plot data in engineering units correctly. (GCS3) | Laptop, GCS Software | Random data have been produced and graphs have been obtained from those data. | PASS (Graphs have been obtained successfully) |
| GCS-T2 Near Distance Communication Test <u>(COMPLETED)</u> | Communication can be done in required packet format. | GCS Software, Arduino, Xbee(x2) | Predefined string data were produced and sent in required packet format. Received packet has been displayed. | PASS (Packet has been displayed correctly) |
| GCS-T3 Image Transmission Test <u>(COMPLETED)</u> | GCS Software can obtain the image while receiving telemetry with 1Hz(GCS10) | GCS Software, Arduino, SD Card, Xbee(x2) | A JPEG image in SD card has been sent via Xbee and displayed in MATLAB. | PASS (20 KB Image has been sent in 25 seconds and displayed in MATLAB) |
| GCS-T4 Far Distance Communication Test <u>(NOT STARTED)</u> | Link budget shall be satisfied.(GCS7) | Arduino, Xbee(x2), Antenna, GCS Software | Xbee radios will be communicated from approximately 1.5km distance. | Successfull reception of data packets and correct plotting from 1.5km distance and + - 30 degrees |





Mission Operations & Analysis

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Overview of Mission Sequence of Events







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Events









- The Mission Operations Manual will include
 - A set of checklist for the Ground Station and CanSat (Container + Science Vehicle) assembly and pre-flight functional tests
 - A set of checklist for the attachment of CanSat to the rocket.
 - Timelines of events, parameters to be monitored and commands throughout all mission phases from launch till landing.
 - Troubleshooting procedures based on the final electrical configuration and software functionalities.
- Outline of the Mission Operations Manual has been prepared and it will be finalized after system level tests based on the final system configuration.
- Two copies of the Mission Operations Manual will be ready at the Flight Readiness Review by the day before launch.





Container and Glider Recovery

- The last GPS coordinates telemetry will be used as a primary lead.
- The buzzer will start beeping as soon as it touches the ground and this will help to recover our CanSat
- Visible colours for the parachute and the glider will be selected in order to aid team for locating them.
- A label with contact information will also be placed on both container and science vehicle.





- Ground system radio link check procedures
 - Prepare electrical ground support equipment (ground station computer, antenna, RF modules, mast etc.) and connect the antenna
 - Configure the communication link
 - Check the telemetry

Powering on/off the CanSat

- Check for the electrical connections
- Power the Science Vehicle via umbilical power source
- Check for the electrical power availability / connection stability





- Launch configuration preparations (performed with structural model)
 - Assemble CanSat configuration
 - Check for the structural integrity
 - Check for final mass and dimensions
- Telemetry processing, archiving, and analysis
 - Install the final version of the software
 - Check for the telemetry collection, storage and monitoring in the ground station





- Loading the CanSat in the launch vehicle (performed with structural model)
 - Check for the final dimensions and rocket compatibility
- Recovery
 - Check for Buzzer functionality
 - Locate CanSat using observations, Buzzer noise and received data

