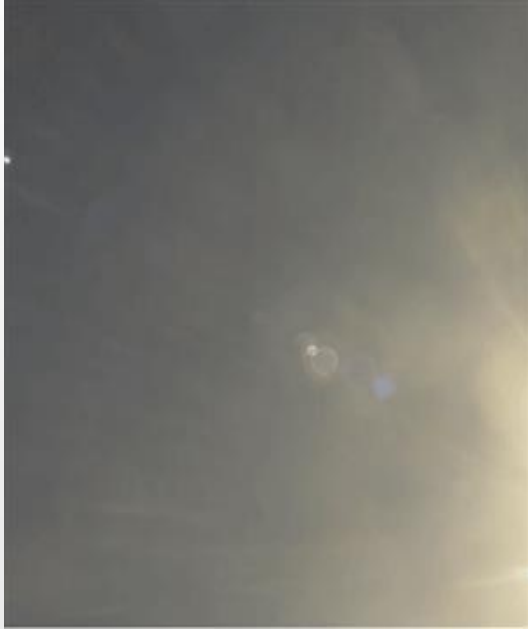


Solid Motor Casing & Design



Solid Design Team:
Tony, Jason, Andrew, Tarique, Esteban, Jack

Quick Recap






Motor and Propellant Selection

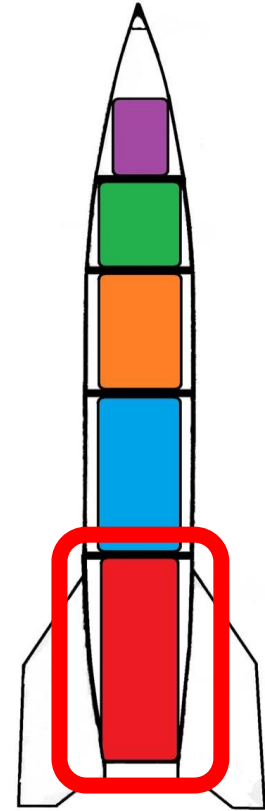
- Non-Toxic
- Non-Detonable
- HTPB/AP/AL Composite

Aerotech L2200G-P Mojave Green



Design Process

-  Payload
-  Drogue Chute
-  Payload/Avionics
-  Main Chute
-  Motor and Casing



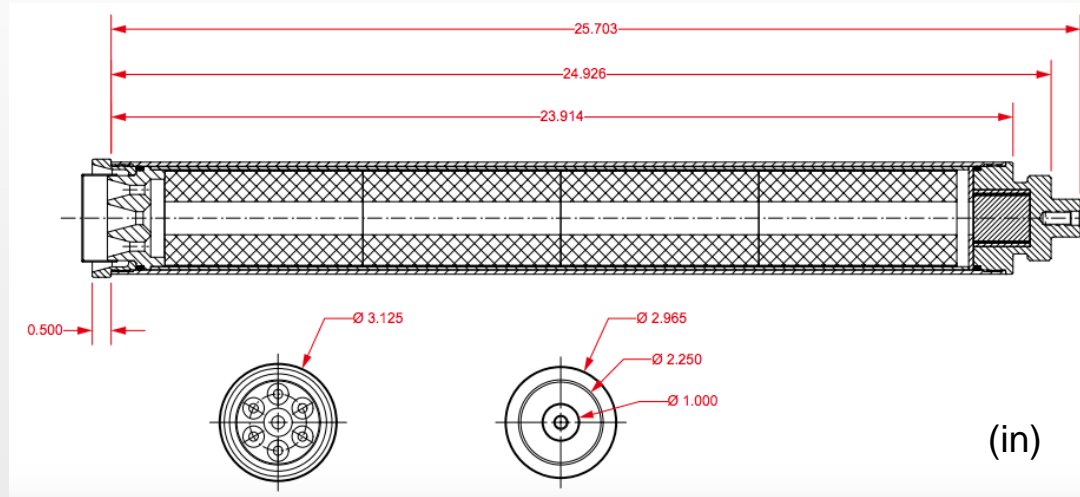
Motor Case Design Considerations

What we know:

- Peak Thrust $\approx 3100\text{N}$
- Burn Duration $\approx 2.4\text{s}$
- Dimensions

What we need to know:

- Chamber Pressure
- Chamber Temperature



Nozzle Design Considerations

What we know:

- Peak Thrust $\approx 3100\text{N}$
- Burn Duration $\approx 2.4\text{s}$
- Dimensions

What we need to know:

- Chamber Pressure
- Gas Exit Velocity
- Gas Exit Temperature



Igniter Considerations

What we know:

- Motor Overall Performance

What we need to know:

- Nothing



Solid Rocket Motor



- Case
- Solid Propellant
- Igniter
- Nozzle



Motor Case Loadings/Stresses

Origin of Load	Type of Load/Stress
Internal Axial Motor Thrust Thrust	
Aerodynamic control surfaces or wings mounted to case	Tension, compression, bending, shear, torsion
Staging	Bending, shear
Flight maneuvering	Axial, bending, shear, torsion
Vehicle mass and wind forces on launch pad	Axial, bending, shear
Dynamic loads from vehicle oscillations	Axial, bending, shear
Start pressure surge	Biaxial
Ground handling, including lifting	Tension, compression, bending, shear, torsion
Ground transport	Tension, compression, shear, vibration
Earthquakes (large motors)	Axial, bending, shear

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Motor Case Materials

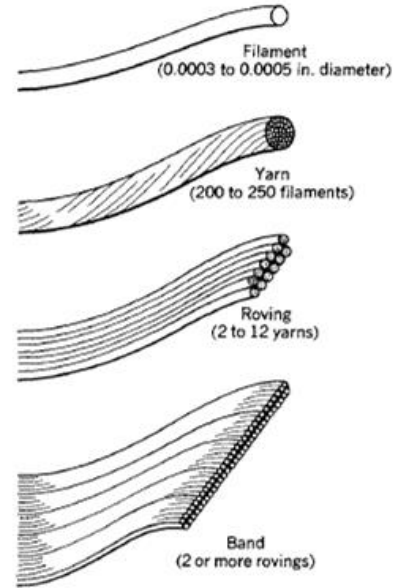
- Composite
 - E-glass
 - Aramid (Kevlar 49)
 - Carbon fiber
- Metal
 - Titanium alloy
 - Alloy steel
 - Aluminum alloy 2024
- Combination

Material	Tensile Strength, N/mm ² (10 ³ psi)	Modulus of Elasticity, N/mm ² (10 ⁶ psi)	Density, g/cm ³ (lbm/in. ³)	Strength to Density Ratio (1000)
<i>Filaments</i>				
E-glass	1930–3100 (280–450)	72,000 (10.4)	2.5 (0.090)	1040
Aramid (Kevlar 49)	3050–3760 (370–540)	124,000 (18.0)	1.44 (0.052)	2300
Carbon fiber or graphite fibers	3500–6900 (500–1000)	230,000–300,000 (33–43)	1.53–1.80 (0.055–0.065)	2800
<i>Binder (by itself)</i>				
Epoxy	83 (12)	2800 (0.4)	1.19 (0.043)	70
<i>Filament-Reinforced Composite Material</i>				
E Glass	1030 (150–170)	35,000 (4.6–5.0)	1.94 (0.070)	500
Kevlar 49	1310 (190)	58,000 (8.4)	1.38 (0.050)	950
Graphite IM	2300 (250–340)	102,000 (14.8)	1.55 (0.056)	1400
<i>Metals</i>				
Titanium alloy	1240 (180)	110,000 (16)	4.60 (0.166)	270
Alloy steel (heat treated)	1400–2000 (200–290)	207,000 (30)	7.84 (0.289)	205
Aluminum alloy 2024 (heat treated)	455 (66)	72,000 (10.4)	2.79 (0.101)	165

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Filament Winding

- Orientation of Filament
 - Compromise



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FIGURE 14-5. Filament winding terminology (each sketch is drawn to a different scale).

Material	Tensile Strength, N/mm^2 (10^3 psi)	Modulus of Elasticity, N/mm^2 (10^6 psi)	Density, g/cm^3 (lbm/in. ³)	Strength to Density Ratio (1000)
<i>Filaments</i>				
E-glass	1930–3100 (280–450)	72,000 (10.4)	2.5	940
Aramid	2600 (380)	124,000 (18.0)	1.4	1900
Carbon/graphite	2000 (300)	1,000,000 (145)	1.8	560
Epoxy			1.19	70
Epoxy/graphite		35,000 (4.6–5.0)		
Kevlar	2600 (380)	58,000 (8.4)	1.4	1900
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Metals



- Titanium alloy
 - Heavy
 - Good strength to weight ratio
- Alloy steel
 - Heavier
 - Strongest
- Aluminum
 - Provides good strength to weight ratio
 - Lightest

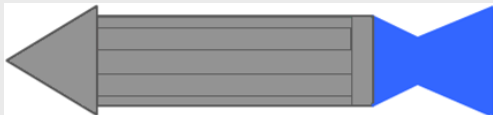
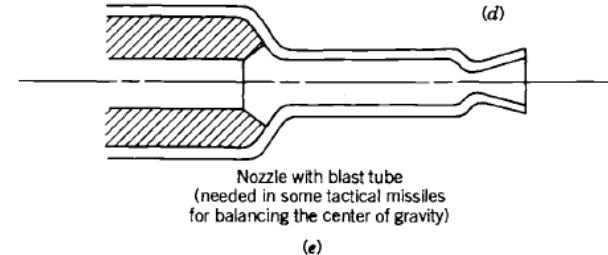
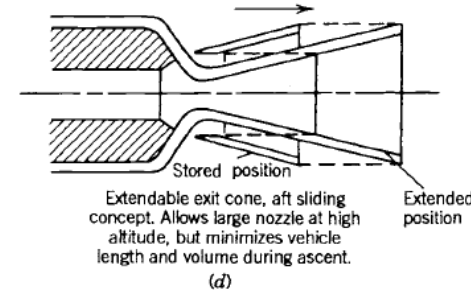
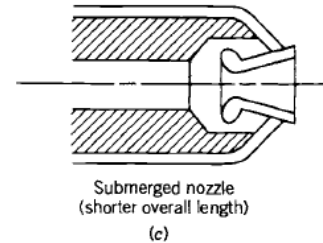
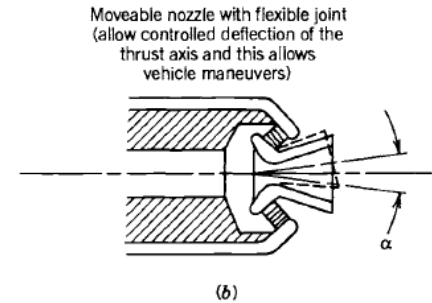
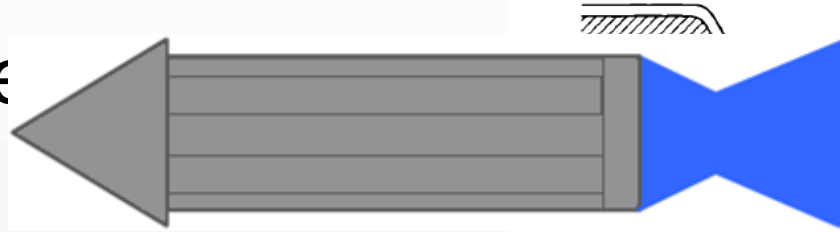
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<i>Filaments</i>				
E-glass	1930–3100 (275–450)	72,000 (10.4)	2.5 (0.09)	940
Aramid	1780–2500 (255–350)	124,000 (18.0)	1.4 (0.05)	1000
Carbon graphite	1500–3000 (215–420)	100,000 (14.3)	1.8 (0.06)	800
Epoxy	50–70 (7–10)	2.4 (0.3)	1.2 (0.04)	70
E Glass	1930–3100 (275–450)	72,000 (10.4)	2.5 (0.09)	940
Kevlar	1780–2500 (255–350)	58,000 (8.4)	1.4 (0.05)	1000
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Nozzles

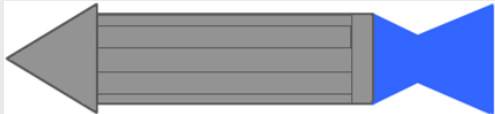
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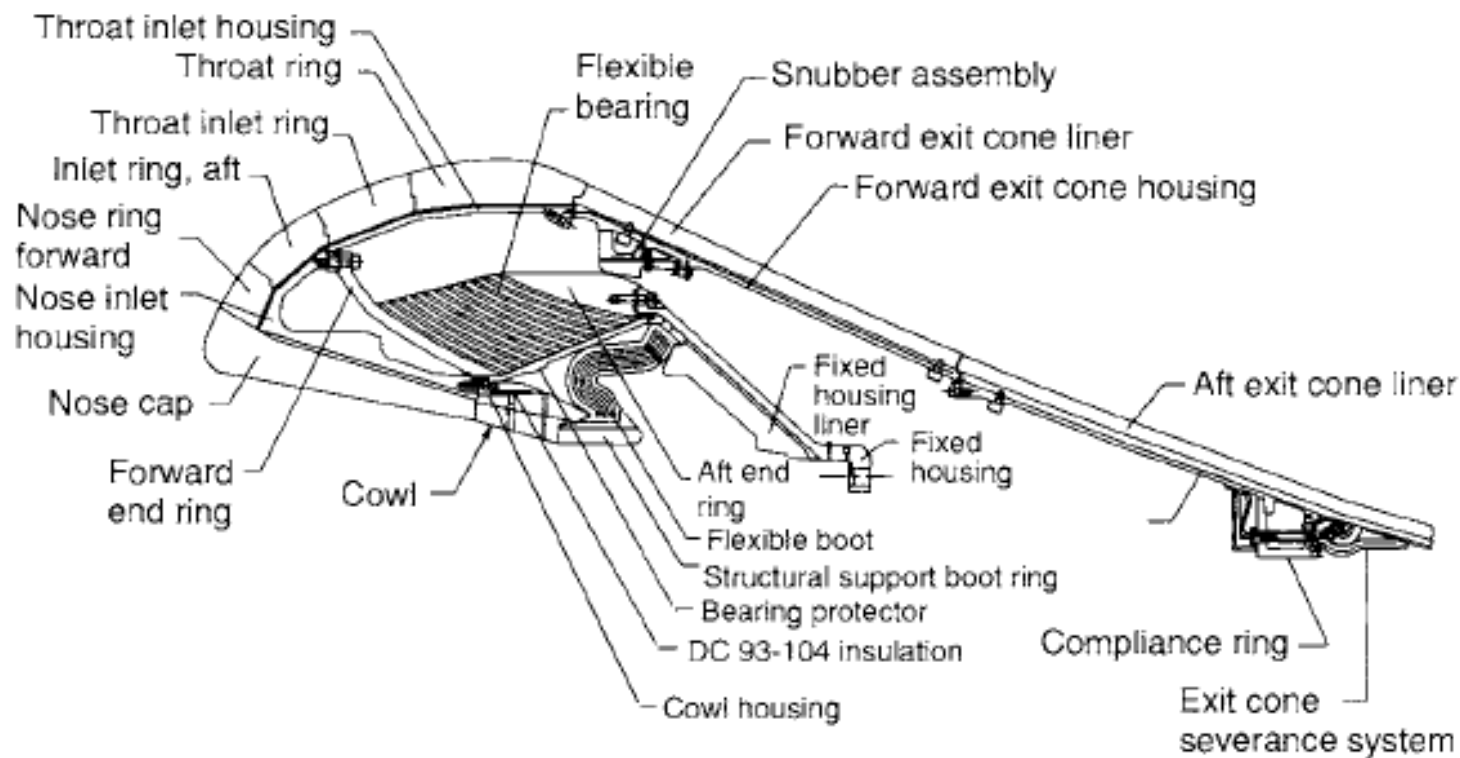
- Fixed (a)
- Movable (b)
- Submerged (c)
- Extendible (d)
- Blast-Tube-Mounted (e)



Nozzles: Design and Construction

- Ablatively Cooled
- Steel or aluminum Shells
- Composite ablative liners

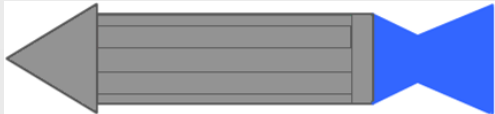




Nozzle Design Decision

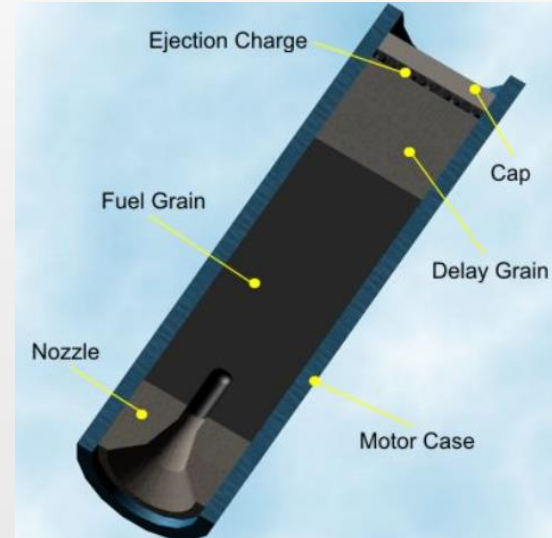
WE'RE NOT BUILDING ONE!!

Why?!?



Nozzle Selection

- Aerotech L2200G-P Mojave Green and RMS 75/5120 kit comes with a nozzle



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Igniters

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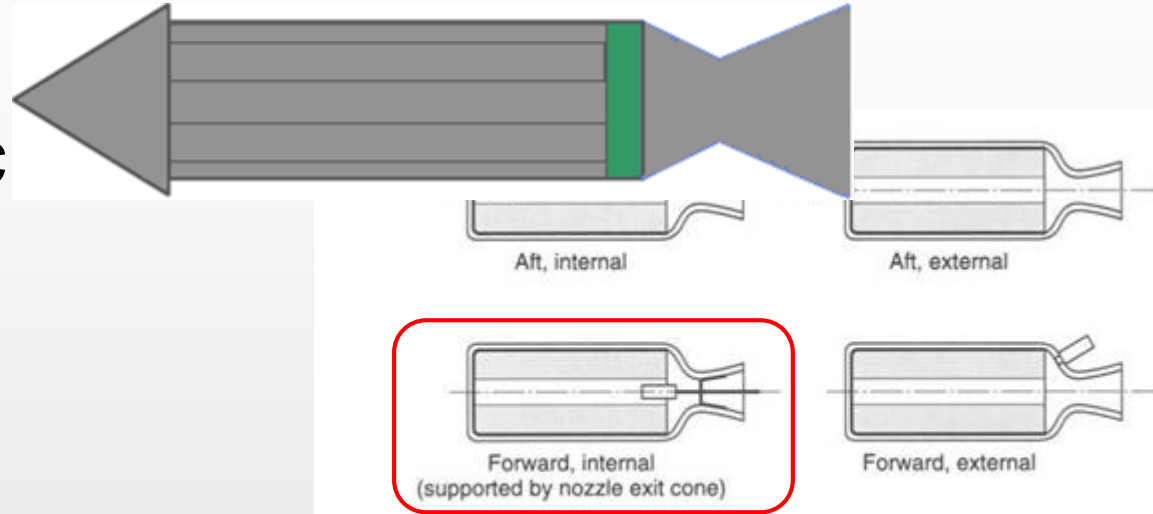
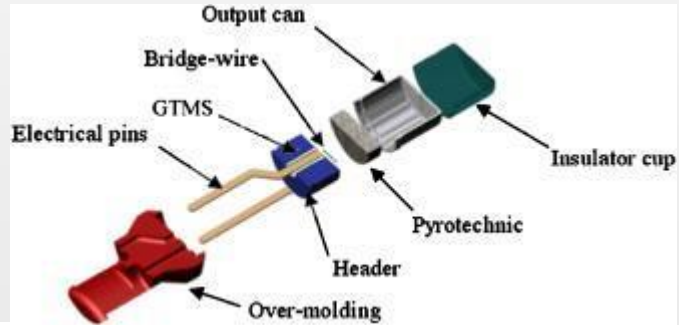


FIGURE 14-13. Simple diagrams of mounting options for igniters. Grain configurations are not shown.

Igniters

Most frequent is Electroexplosive device
(Pyrotechnic)

- Bridgewire



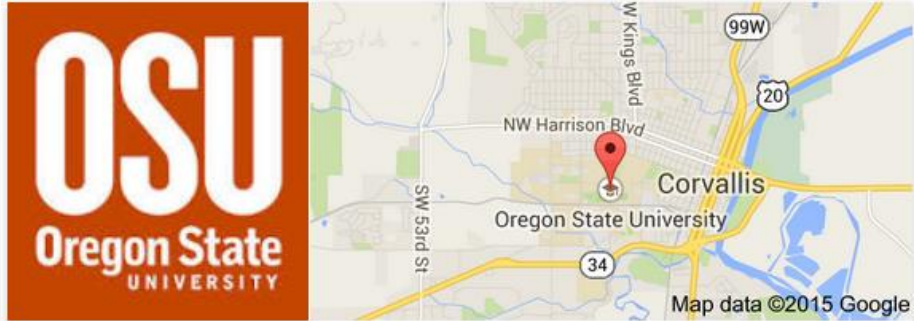
3.0.1 Design Requirements

The igniter design shall be based on the following priority of requirements:

- (1) Specified Performance
- (2) Specified Reliability
- (3) Lowest Possible Cost



Field Trip?



Oregon State University

University in Corvallis, Oregon

Directions

Write a review

Oregon State University is a coeducational, public research university in Corvallis, Oregon, United States. The university offers more than 200 undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral degree programs and has the largest total enrollment in Oregon. [Wikipedia](#)



Summary

- Motor Case: 2024 Aluminum Alloy
 - Lightweight
 - Capable of enduring thermal and pressure loads
 - Machined or Off-The-Shelf (TBD)
- Nozzle: Built into Motor
 - Saves time and money
 - Redundant to build additional nozzle
- Igniter: Bridgewire explosive
 - Reliable
 - Good “performance”
 - Cheap



Whats Next?

- Propellant Combustion
 - Burn rate
 - Flame Pattern
 - Ignition Characteristics
- Propellant Stability
 - Acoustic Resonance
 - Ignition Wire Configurations
 - Internal Gas Flow Cavity Considerations

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Questions?