

LET'S LAUNCH A ROCKET!

▶ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OnoNITE-CLc>

ACTUALLY, IT IS ROCKET SCIENCE!

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PURPOSE

- ▶ Address specific standards from the Next Generation Science Standards
- ▶ Address specific standards from the Common Core State Standards
- ▶ Use innovative designs to make and build model rockets using a quick and efficient process
- ▶ The use of 'low budget' model rocketry to promote and excite STEM awareness

Addressing the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

○ Earth and Space Science:

- Using Mathematical and Computational Thinking Mathematical and computational thinking in 9-12 builds on K-8 experiences and progresses to using algebraic thinking and analysis, a range of linear and nonlinear functions including trigonometric functions, exponentials and logarithms, and computational tools for statistical analysis to analyze, represent, and model data. Simple computational simulations are created and used based on mathematical models of basic assumptions. Use mathematical or computational representations of phenomena to describe explanations. (HS-ESS1-4)

NGSS (HS-ESS1-6)

- ▶ Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 9-12 builds on K-8 experiences and progresses to explanations and designs that are supported by multiple and independent student-generated sources of evidence consistent with scientific ideas, principles, and theories.
- ▶ Construct an explanation based on valid and reliable evidence obtained from a variety of sources (including students' own investigations, theories, simulations, peer review) and the assumption that theories and laws that describe the natural world operate today as they did in the past and will continue to do so in the future. (HS-ESS1-2)
- ▶ Apply scientific reasoning to link evidence to the claims to assess the extent to which the reasoning and data support the explanation or conclusion. (HS-ESS1-6)

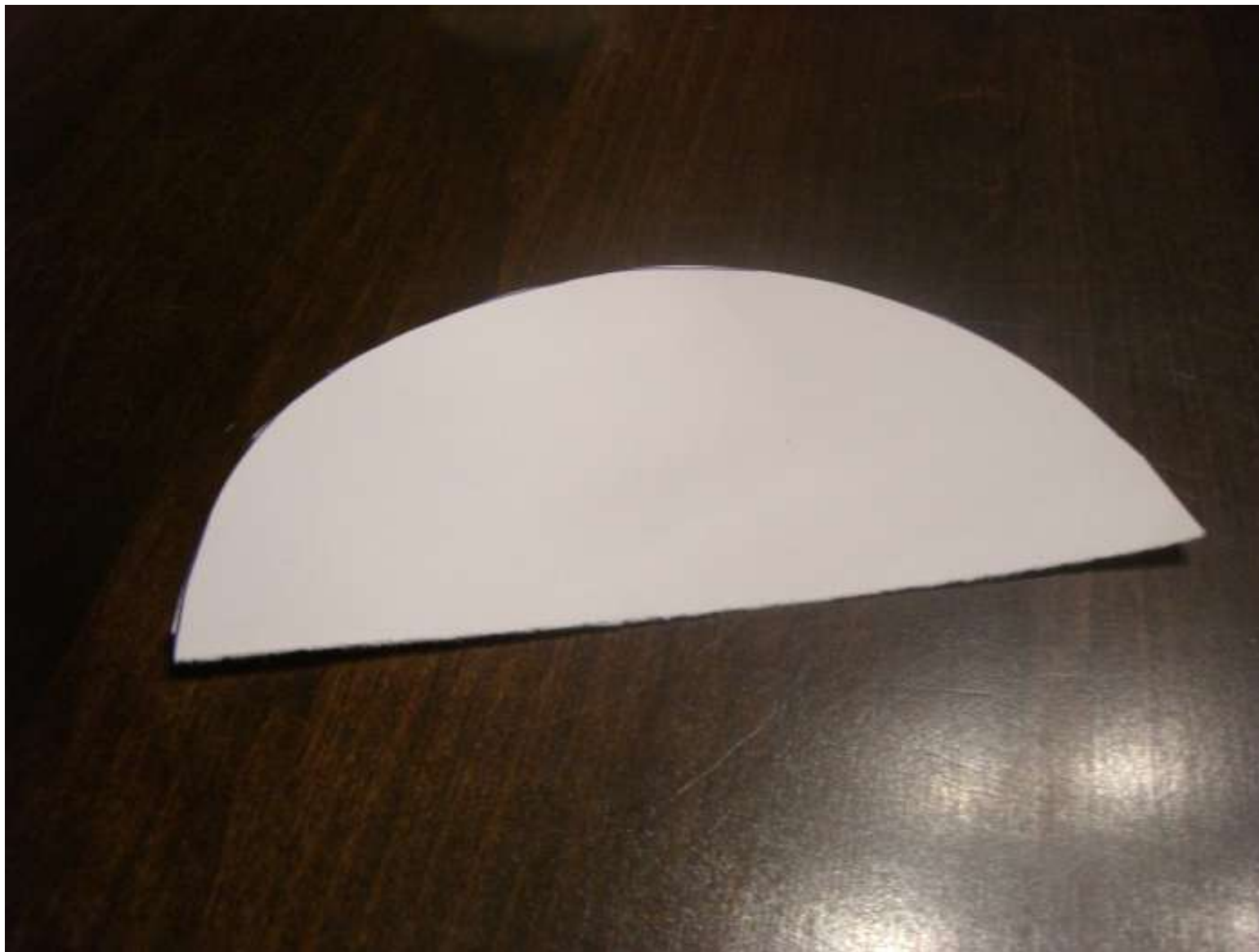
COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS CONNECTIONS

- ▶ RST .11-12.8 Evaluate the hypotheses, data, analysis, and conclusions in a science or technical text, verifying the data when possible and corroborating or challenging conclusions with other sources of information. (HS -ESS1-5),(HS-ESS1-6)
- ▶ HSN-Q.A .1 Use units as a way to understand problems and to guide the solution of multi-step problems; choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays. (HS-ESS1-1),(HS-ESS1-2),(HS-ESS1-4),(HS-ESS1-5),(HS-ESS1-6)
- ▶ HSN-Q.A .3 Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities. (HS-ESS1-1),(HS-ESS1-2),(HS-ESS1-4),(HS-ESS1-5),(HSESS1-6)
- ▶ HSA -CED.A.2 Create equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales. (HSESS1-1),(HS-ESS1-2),(HS-ESS1-4)

STEP ONE: MAKE A NOSECONE



TRACE OUT A CIRCLE AND CUT IT OUT
IT SHOULD BE ABOUT 5" IN DIAMETER



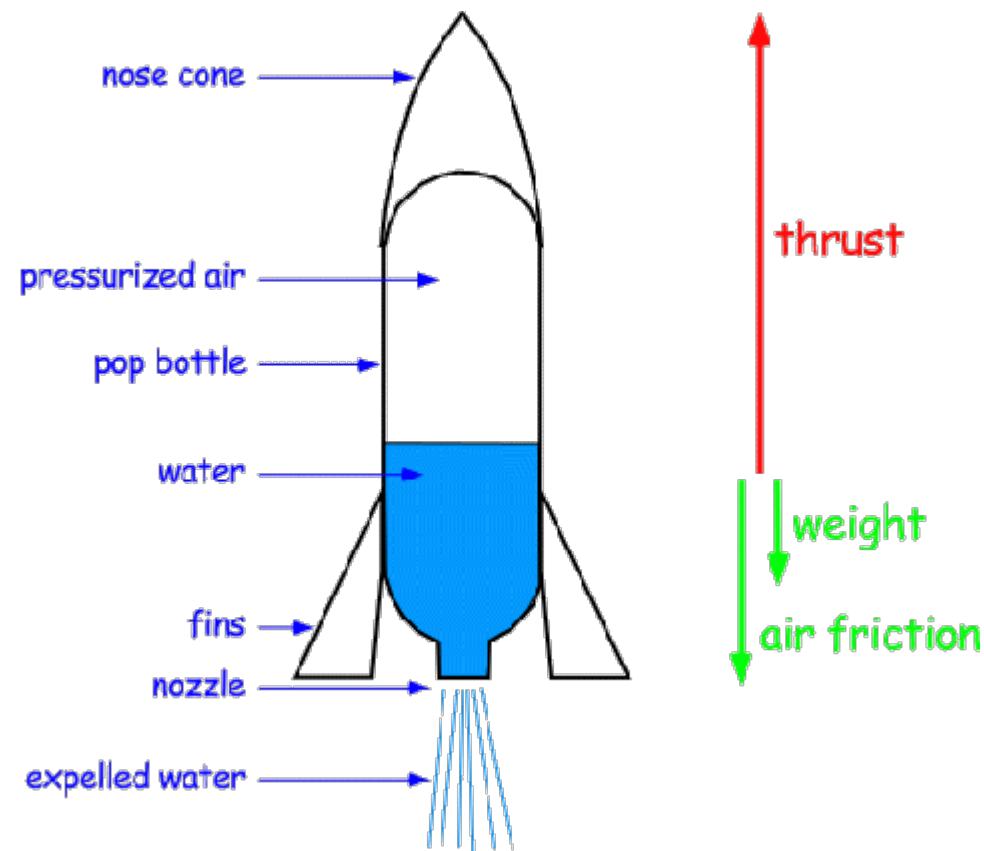
FOLD THE CIRCLE IN HALF TO MAKE A SEMICIRCLE AND CUT
THE CIRCLE IN HALF



ROLL THE SEMICIRCLE INTO A CONE AND TAPE IT TOGETHER
THEN SET IT ASIDE.

TYPES OF CLASSROOM ROCKETS

► THE WATER BOTTLE ROCKET



PITSCO WATER ROCKET LAUNCHER



COST: \$225.00

ANOTHER CHOICE FOR WATER ROCKET LAUNCHING....HOMEBUILT

COST: +/- \$30.00



THERE ARE AMPLE RESOURCES FOR BUILDING WATER ROCKET LAUNCHERS

iCreatables:

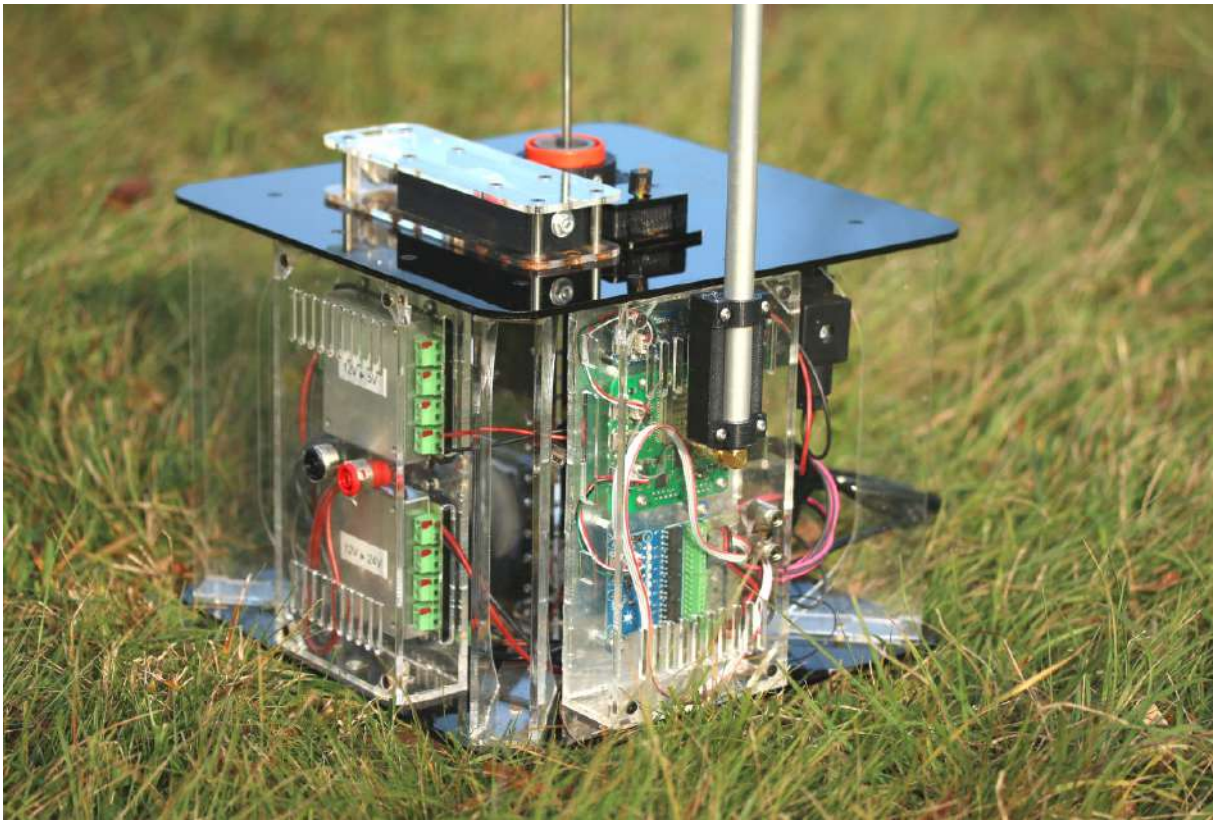


**Build A
Water Bottle
Rocket
Launcher**

SOME DESIGNS ARE QUITE SIMPLE!

www.icreatables.com/

...SOME ARE NOT SO SIMPLE



THIS ONE IS AUTONOMOUS!

LAUNCHING A WATER BOTTLE ROCKET



THESE ARE BOTH PITSCO LAUNCHERS

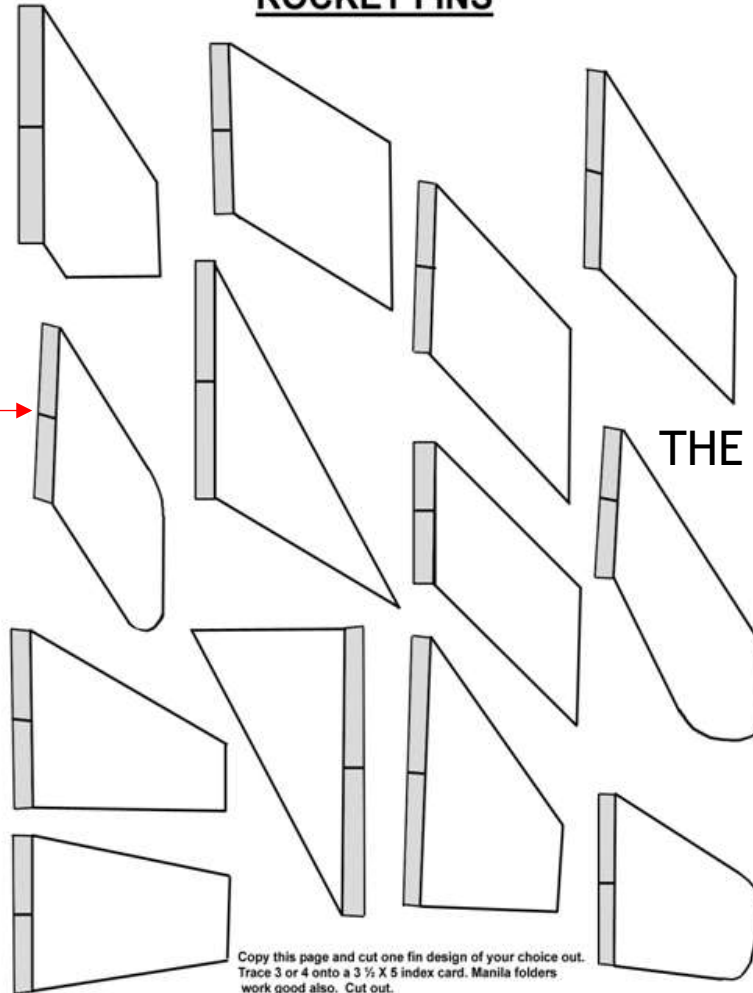
LET'S MAKE THE FINS: HERE ARE SOME SHAPES

PICK A DESIGN YOU LIKE
AND CUT OUT THREE FINS

THE SHADED AREAS
WILL BE USED TO
ATTACH TO THE
ROCKET

DO NOT GLUE THE
SHADED AREAS
TOGETHER

ROCKET FINS

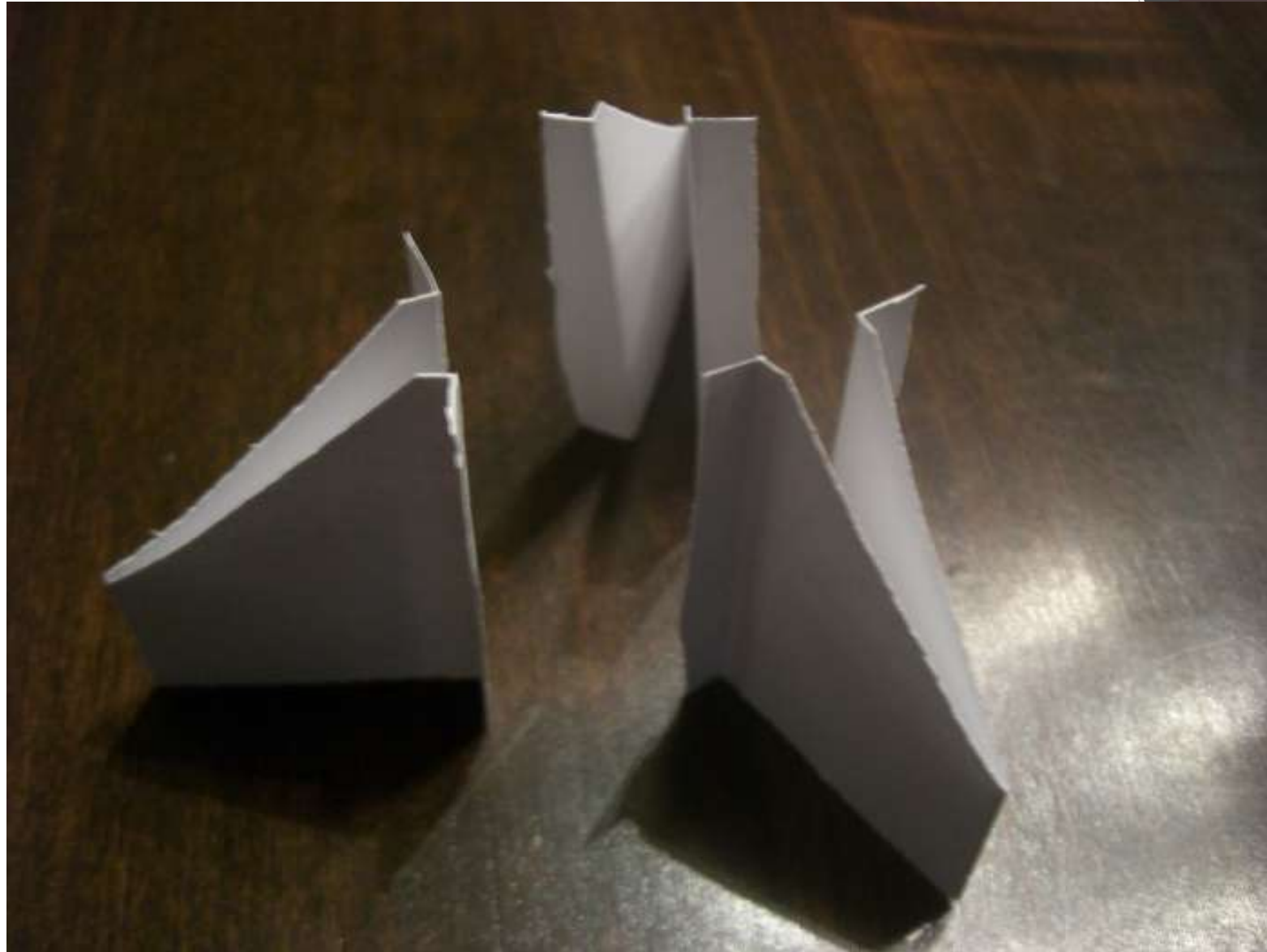


THE FIN-CARD WILL BE FOLDED HALF

Copy this page and cut one fin design of your choice out.
Trace 3 or 4 onto a 3 1/2 X 5 index card. Manila folders
work good also. Cut out.

**GLUE THE HALVES
TOGETHER**

**ADD A TOOTHPICK
IN BETWEEN THE
HALVES WHEN
GLUING FOR MORE
REGIDITY**



**SET THE FINS ASIDE TO
DRY**

THE STOMP ROCKET



STOMP ROCKET DESIGNS



GET CREATIVE!



STOMP ROCKET LAUNCHERS

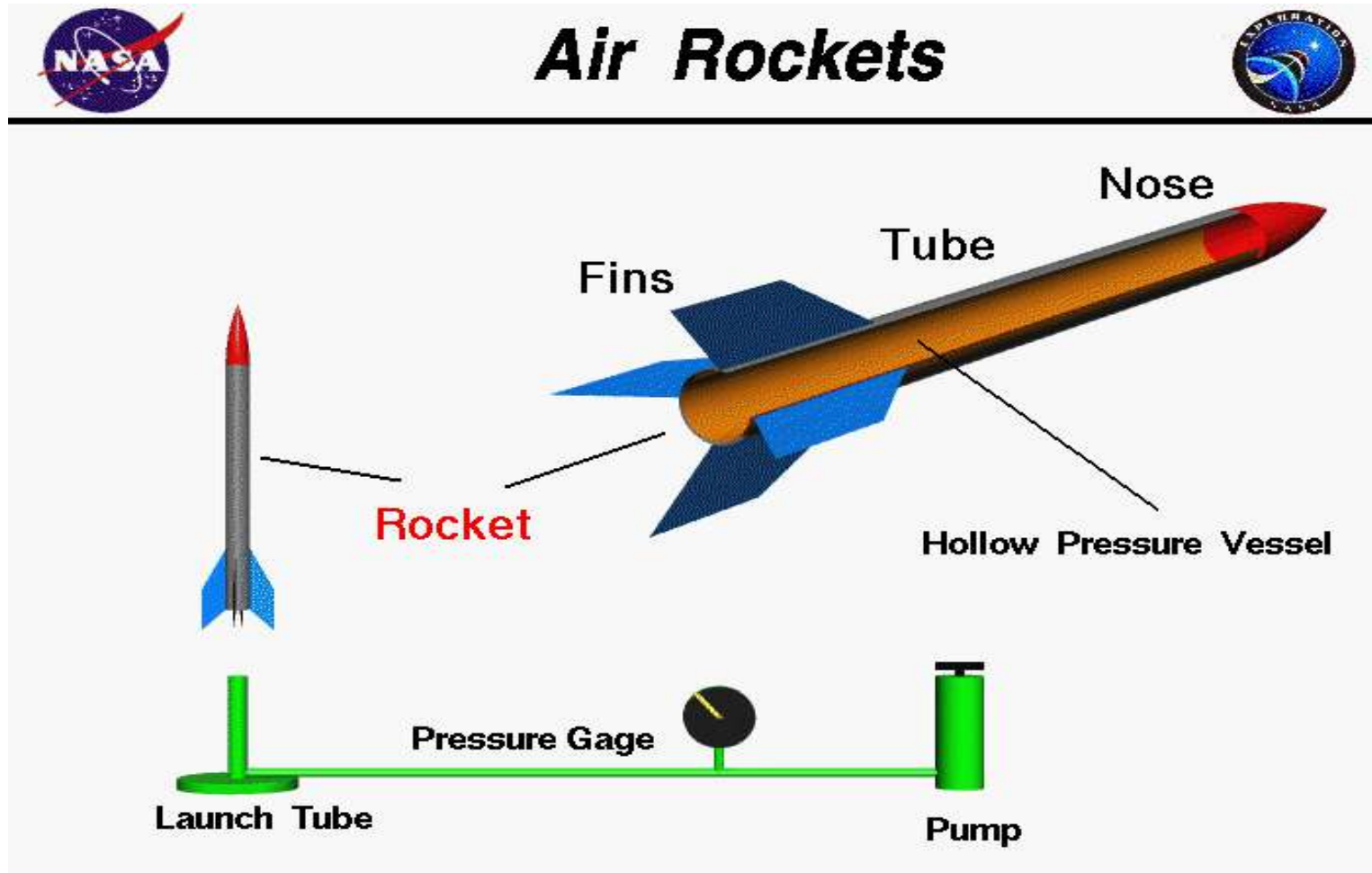


LAUNCHING THE STOMP ROCKET

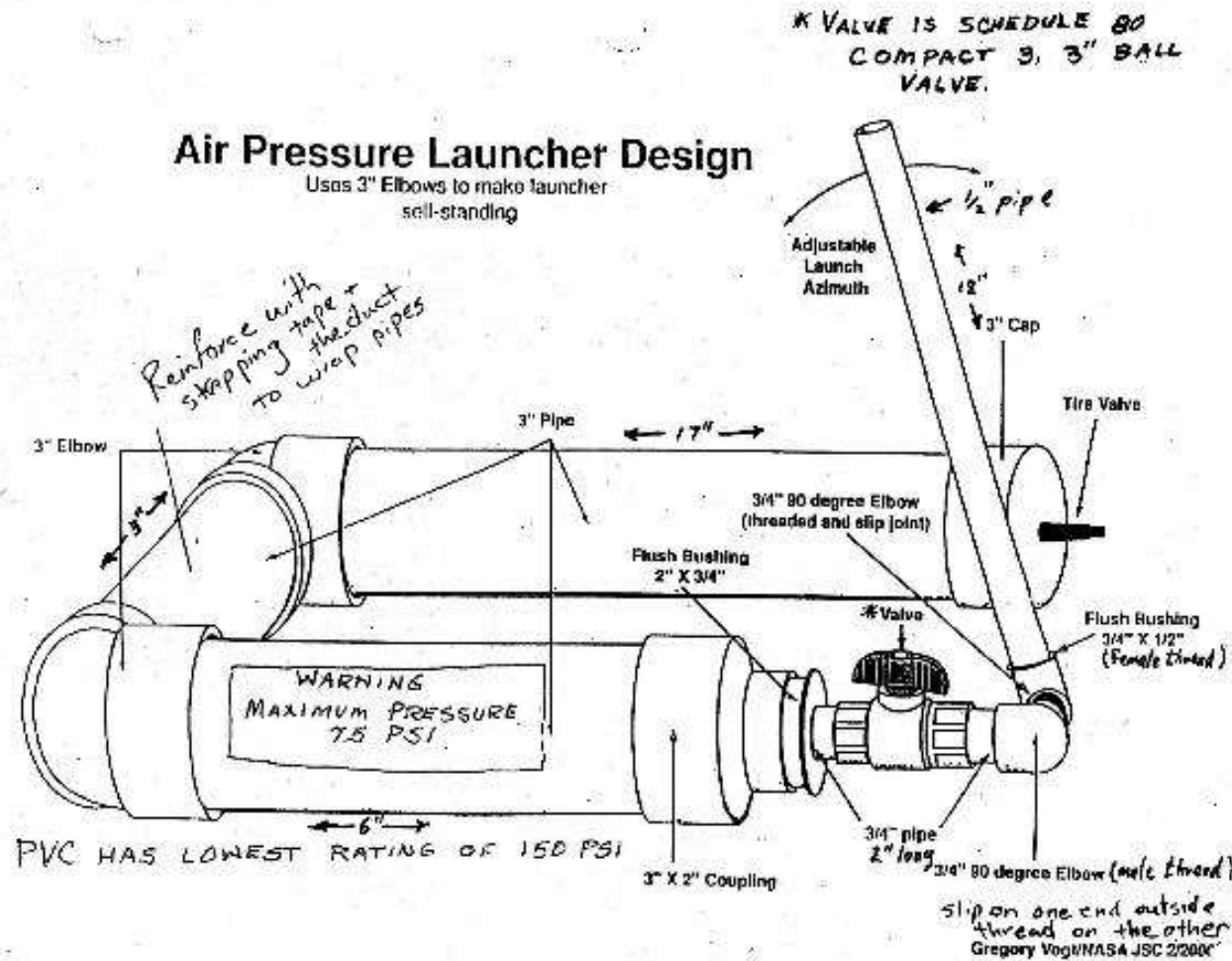


THE AIR PRESSURE ROCKET

THESE ARE SIMILAR TO STOMP ROCKETS BUT OFFER MORE CONTROL OF THE LAUNCHING PRESSURES.



AIR PRESSURE LAUNCHER GRAPHIC



AIR PRESSURE LAUNCHER



LAUNCH TUBE

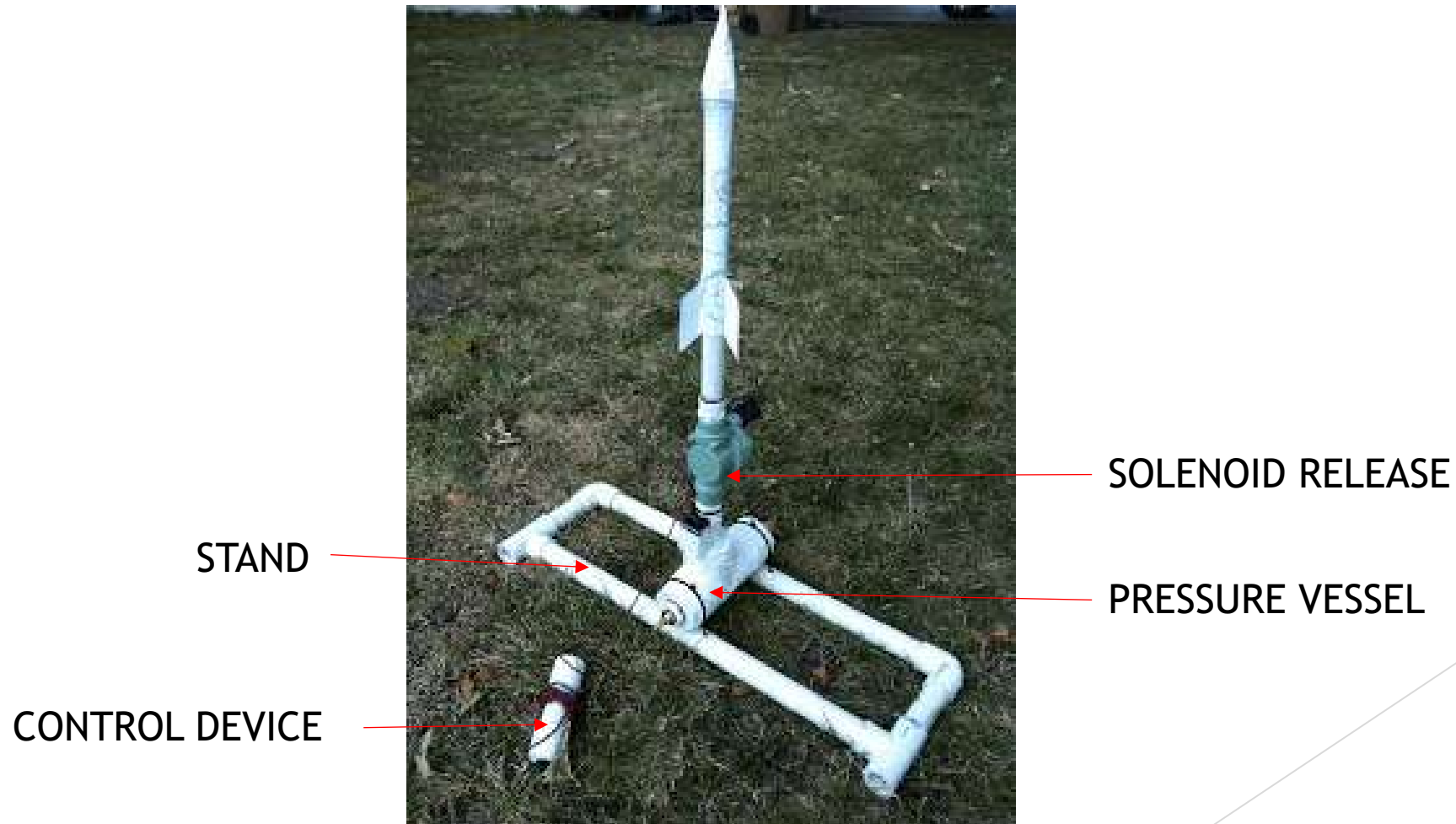
TIRE VALVE

PRESSURE RELEASE VALVE

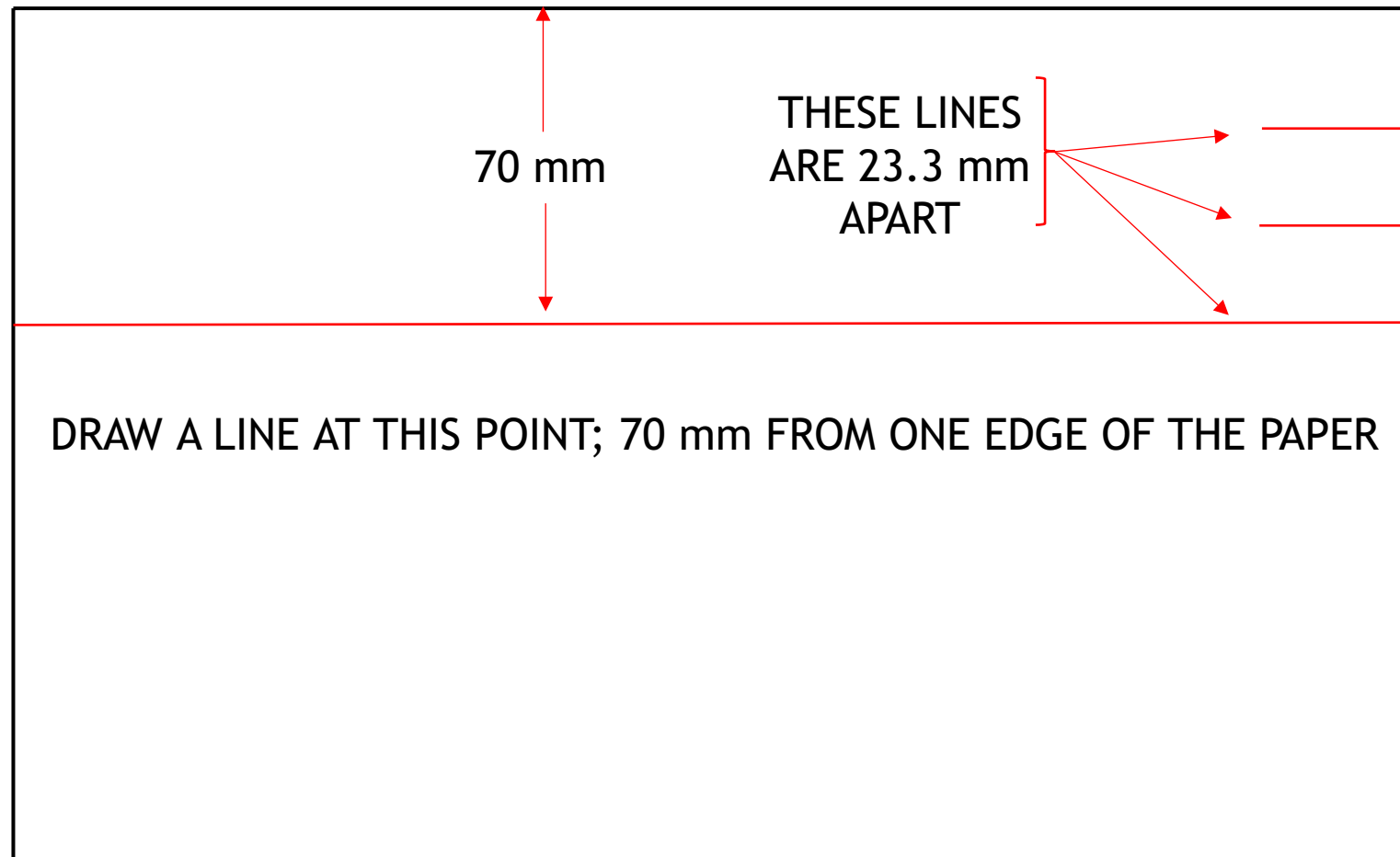
INSTALLING THE TIRE VALVE AVAILABLE FROM MOST AUTO SUPPLY STORES



AIR PRESSURE LAUNCHER WITH BATTERY OPERATED SOLENOID RELEASE

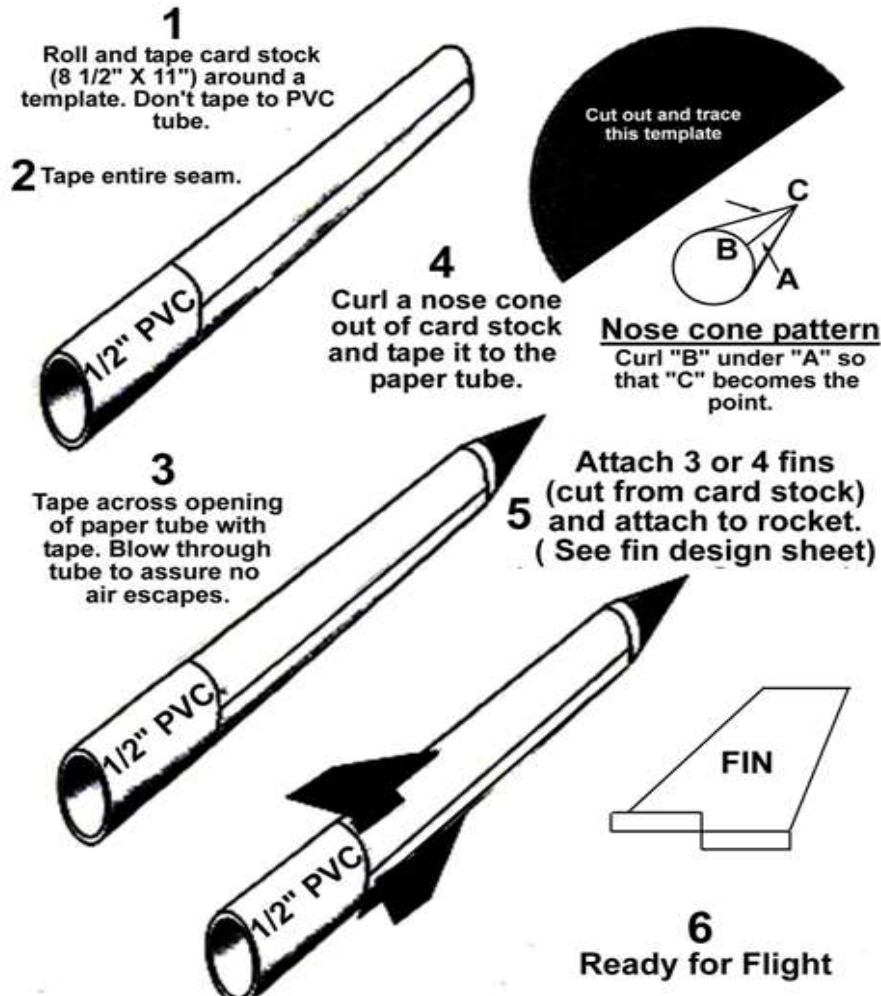


MEASURING THE DECORATED AREA AND FIN PLACEMENT



PREPARE THE BODY TUBE OF THE ROCKET USING 1/2" PVC PIPE

Making the Rocket

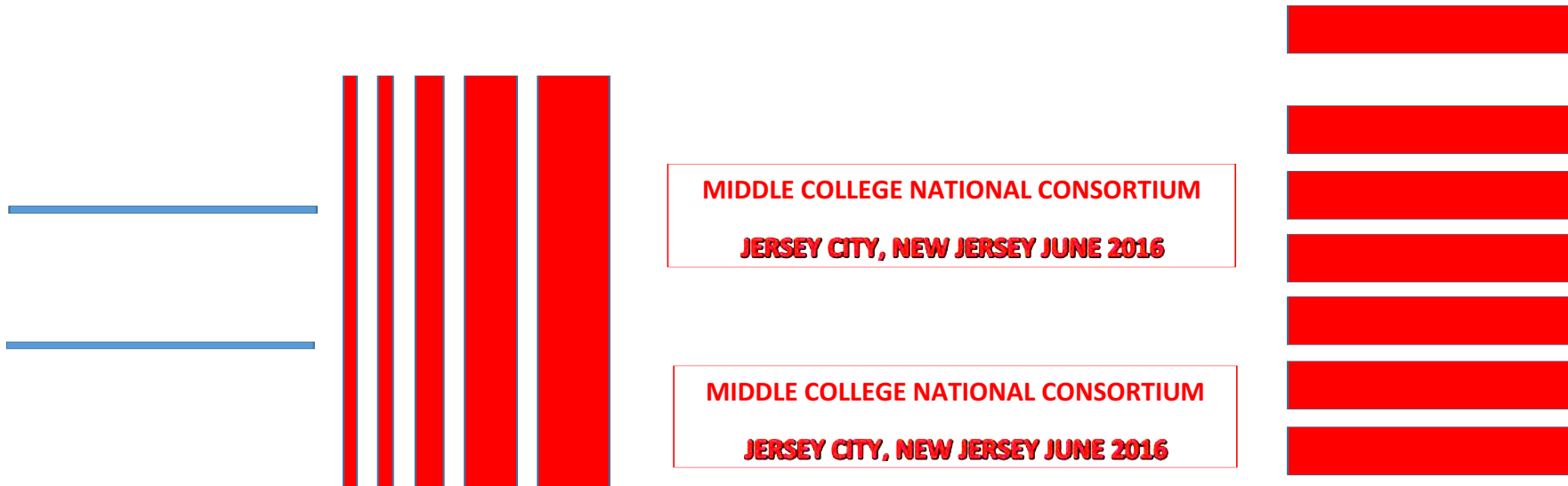


FORM THE BODY TUBE
AND GLUE IT
TOGETHER SO THAT IT
REMAINS A
CYLINDRICAL SHAPE

GLUE THE
NOSE CONE AND FINS
TO THE BODY TUBE

SET THE ROCKET
ASIDE TO DRY

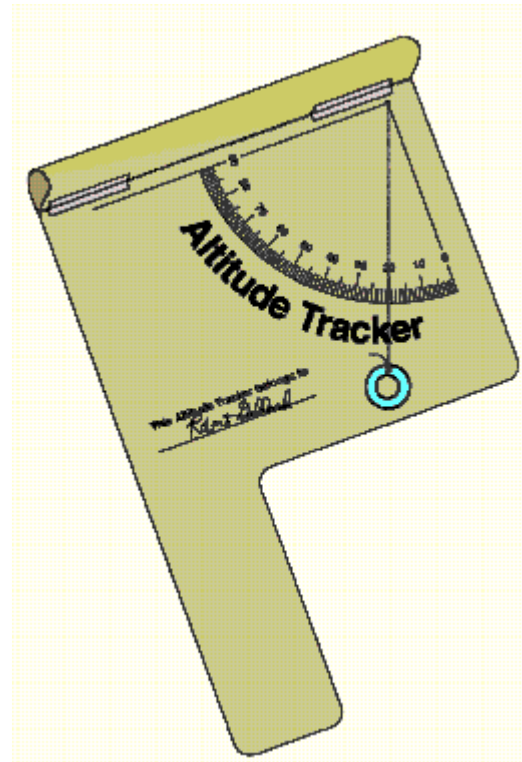
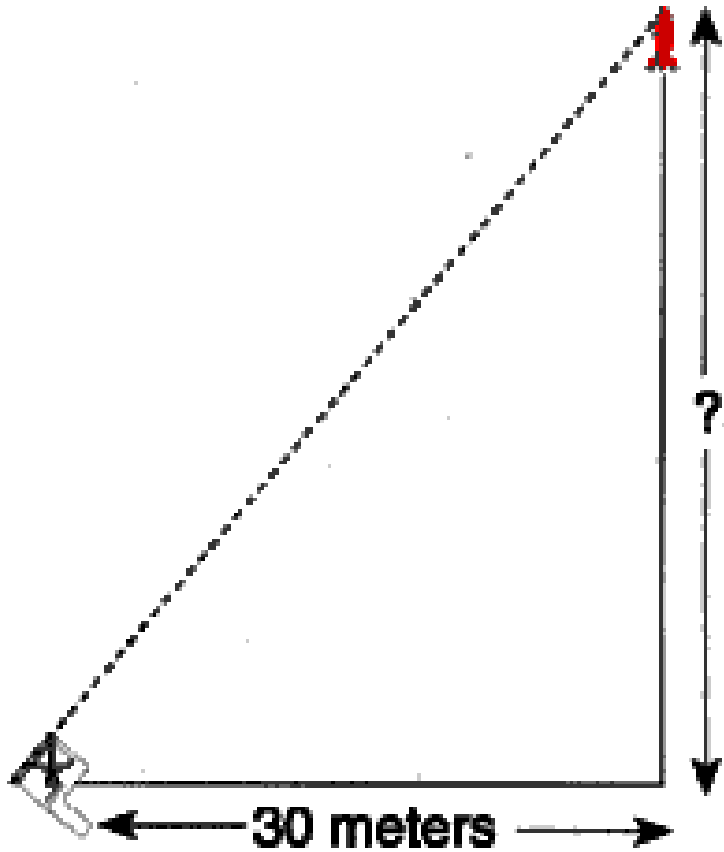
MAKE YOUR OWN COLORFUL TEMPLATES FOR YOUR STUDENTS



QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER ABOUT THE FLIGHT

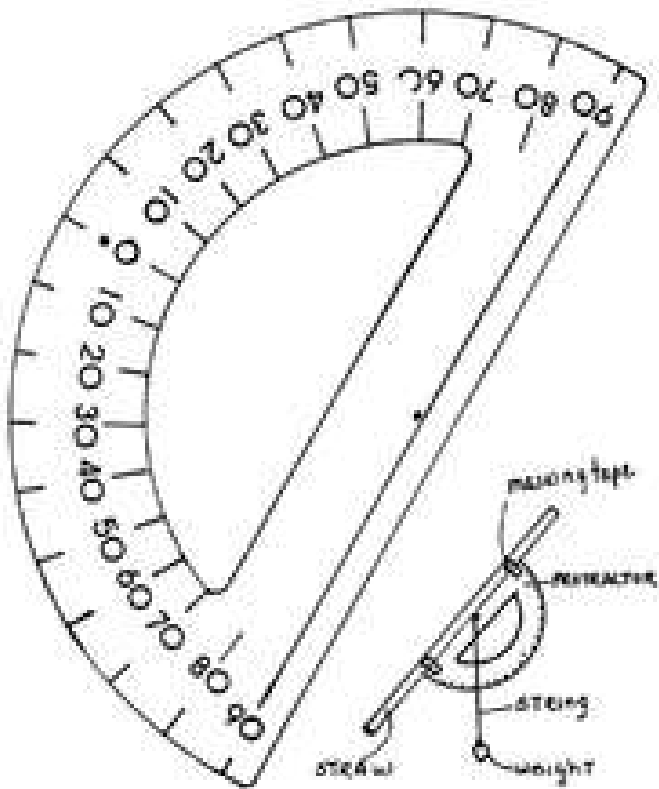
- ▶ How high did it go?
- ▶ How fast did it go?
- ▶ How far did it go?
- ▶ How long was it aloft?
 - ▶ Center of mass?
 - ▶ Center of pressure?
 - ▶ Surface area of fins?
 - ▶ Design of Fins?
- ▶ Amount of 'fuel' to use?
 - ▶ Thermodynamics?
 - ▶ Drag Coefficients?
 - ▶ Reynolds Numbers?
- ▶ Effects of different pressures?
- ▶ ...and much, much more!

LET'S GATHER SOME DATA



https://spaceflight systems.grc.nasa.gov/education/rocket/TRCRocket/altitude_tracking2.html

THE ALTISCOPE FOR USE OF TRIGONOMETRIC APPLICATIONS



THE MODEL ROCKET ALTIMETER



COST: \$30.00

<https://www.jollylogic.com/products/altimeterone/>

CALCULATIONS NOMENCLATURE:

- ▶ V = air volume inside rocket
- ▶ p = air pressure inside rocket
- ▶ p_{atm} = atmospheric pressure
- ▶ F = rod force on launch rod ()_c charge condition, start of Phase 1
- ▶ ()₀ = final condition, end of Phase 1
- ▶ ℓ = length of launch rod
- ▶ A_e = area of launch rod and nozzle exit
- ▶ ρ_w = water density m³
- ▶ w = water mass flow rate
- ▶ u_e = water exhaust velocity
- ▶ T = thrust
- ▶ http://web.mit.edu/16.unified/www/FALL/systems/Lab_Notes/wrocket.pdf

POSSIBLE CALCULATIONS



Air Rocket Launch



p = pressure

a = acceleration

g = gravitational acceleration

A = area

t = time

TLO = lift off time

L = length

v = velocity

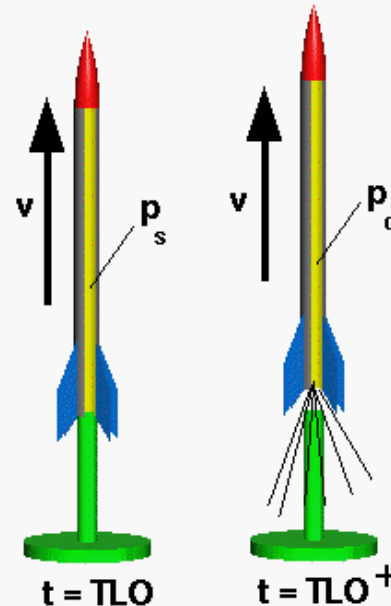
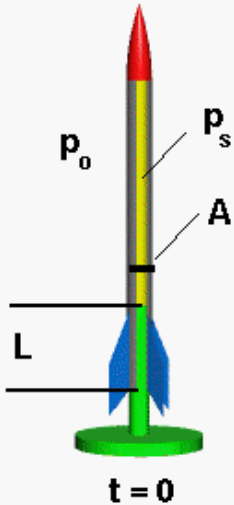
W = weight

$$a = g \left[\frac{(p_s - p_o) A}{W} - 1 \right]$$

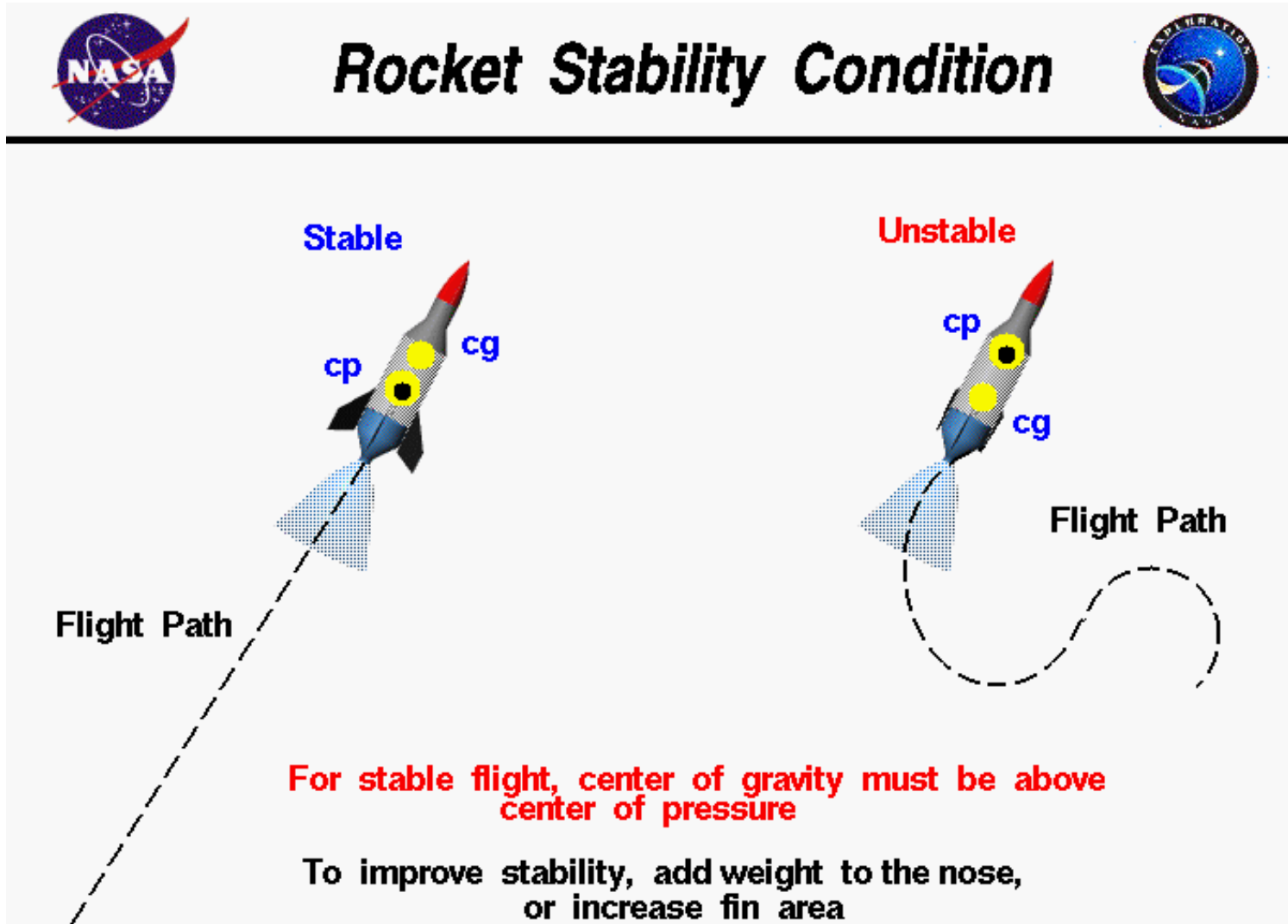
$$TLO = \sqrt{\frac{2L}{a}}$$

$$V = a TLO$$

$$V = \sqrt{2L a}$$



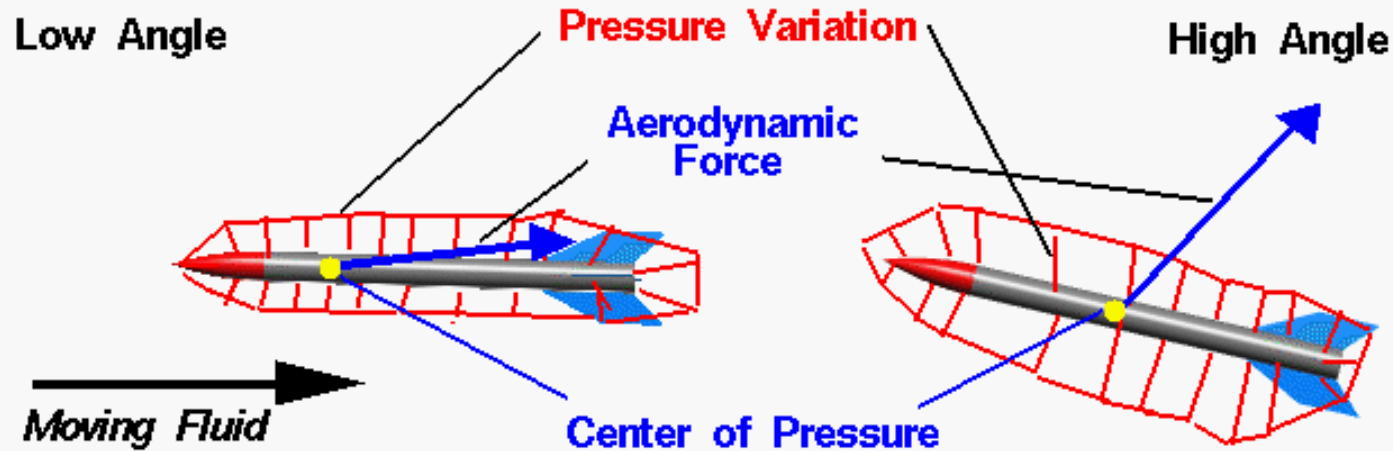
ROCKET STABILITY



CENTER OF PRESSURE VS. CENTER OF MASS



Center of Pressure – cp



Center of Pressure is the average location of the pressure.
Pressure varies around the surface of an object. $P = P(x)$

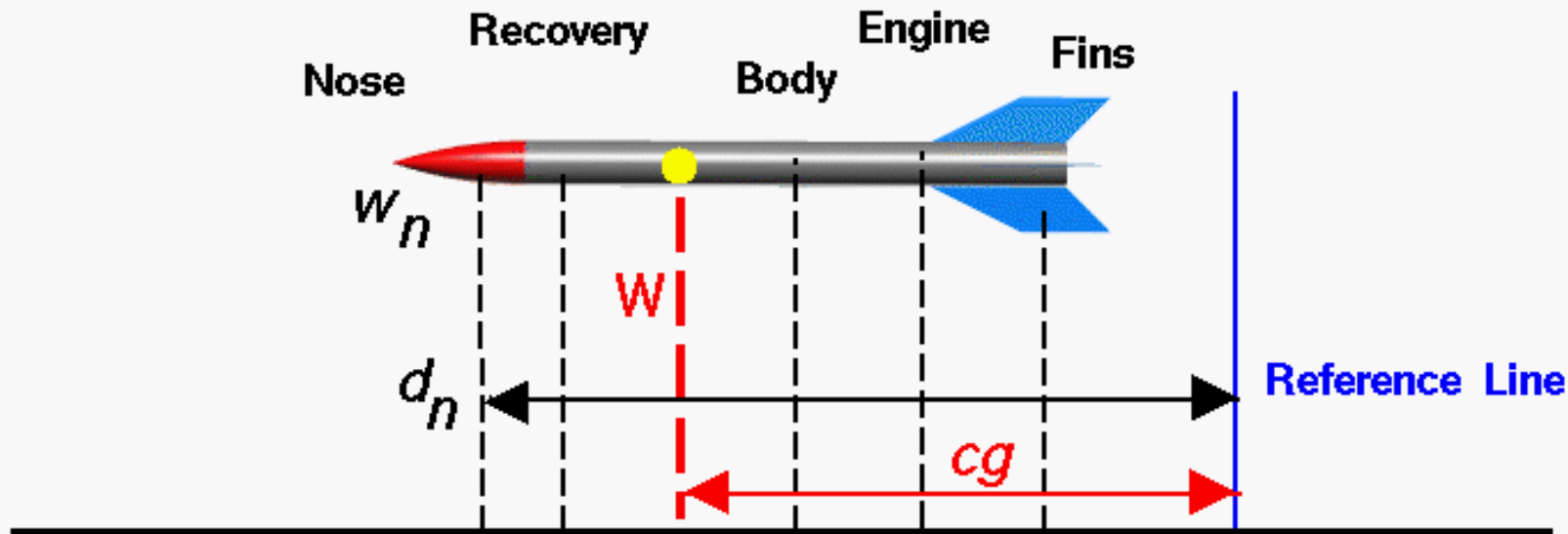
$$cp = \frac{\int x p(x) dx}{\int p(x) dx}$$

Aerodynamic force acts through the center of pressure.
Center of pressure moves with angle of attack.

CENTER OF GRAVITY (MASS)



Determining Center of Gravity – cg



Each component has some weight w_i
located some distance d_i from the reference line.

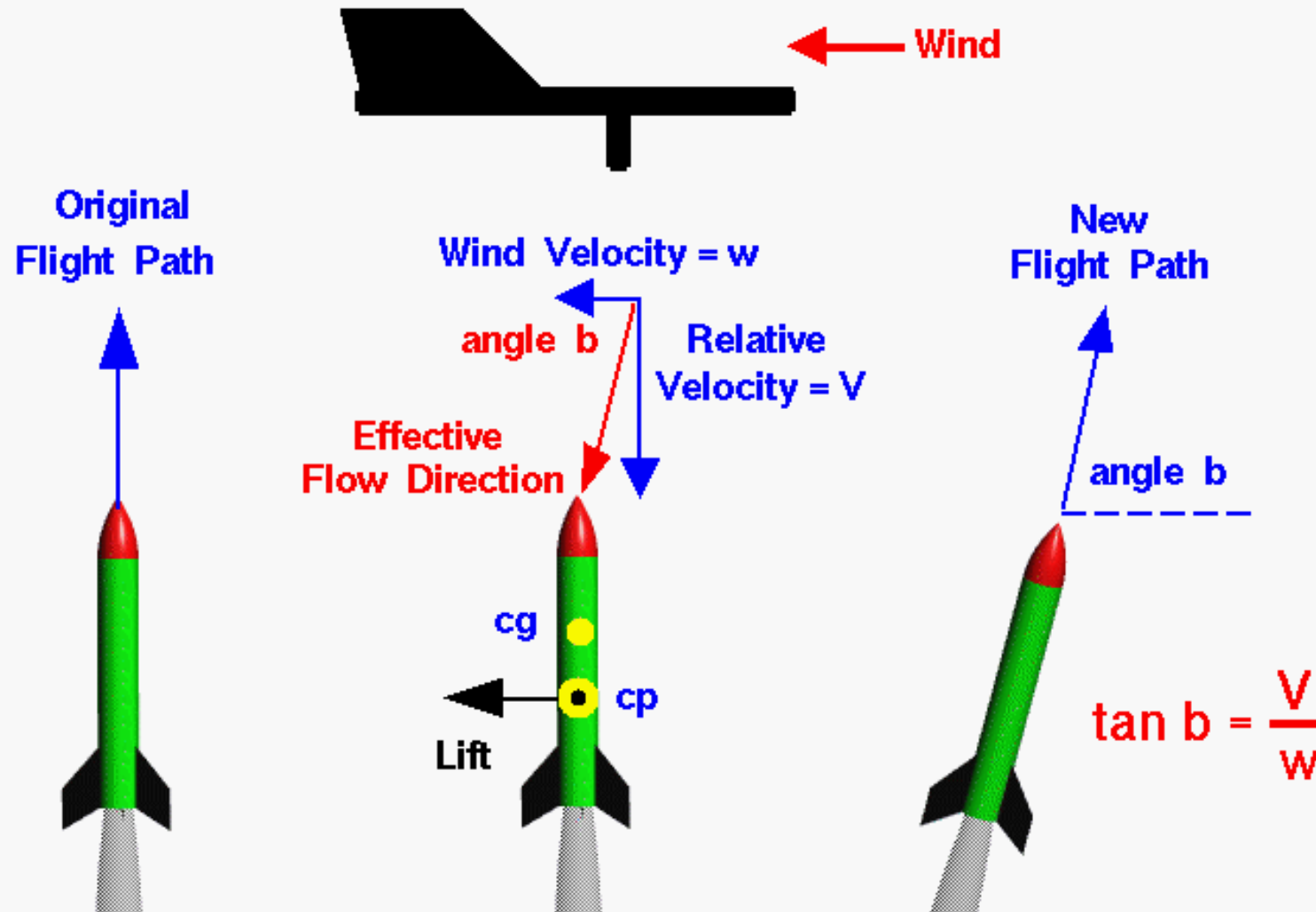
Distance cg times the weight W equals the sum of the
component distance times component weight.

$$cg W = d_n w_n + d_r w_r + d_b w_b + d_e w_e + d_f w_f$$

STABILITY AND WEATHERCOCKING



Weather Cocking



BALLISTIC FLIGHT CONDITIONS



Ballistic Flight Equations (no drag - no thrust)



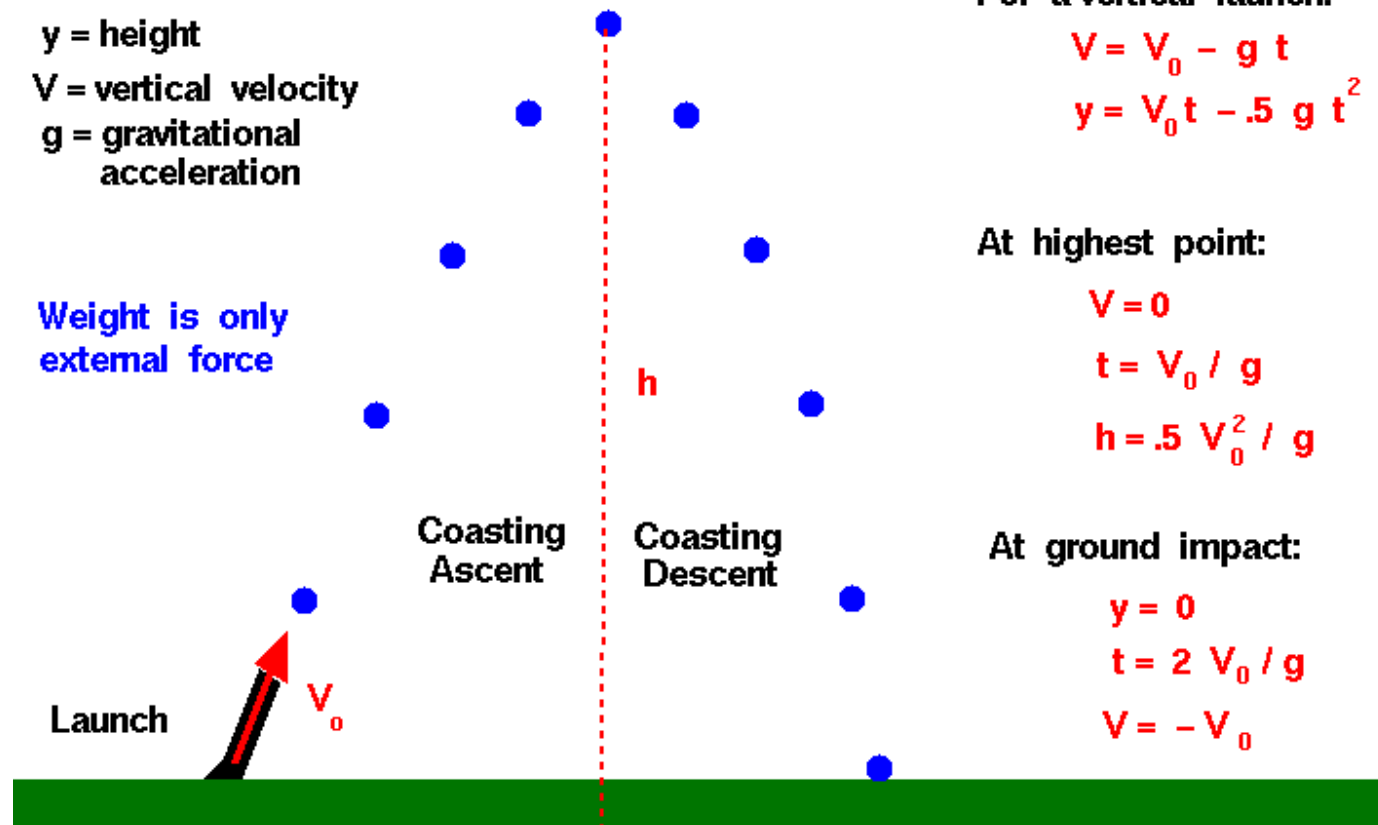
t = time

y = height

V = vertical velocity

g = gravitational
acceleration

Weight is only
external force



For a vertical launch:

$$V = V_0 - g t$$

$$y = V_0 t - .5 g t^2$$

At highest point:

$$V = 0$$

$$t = V_0 / g$$

$$h = .5 V_0^2 / g$$

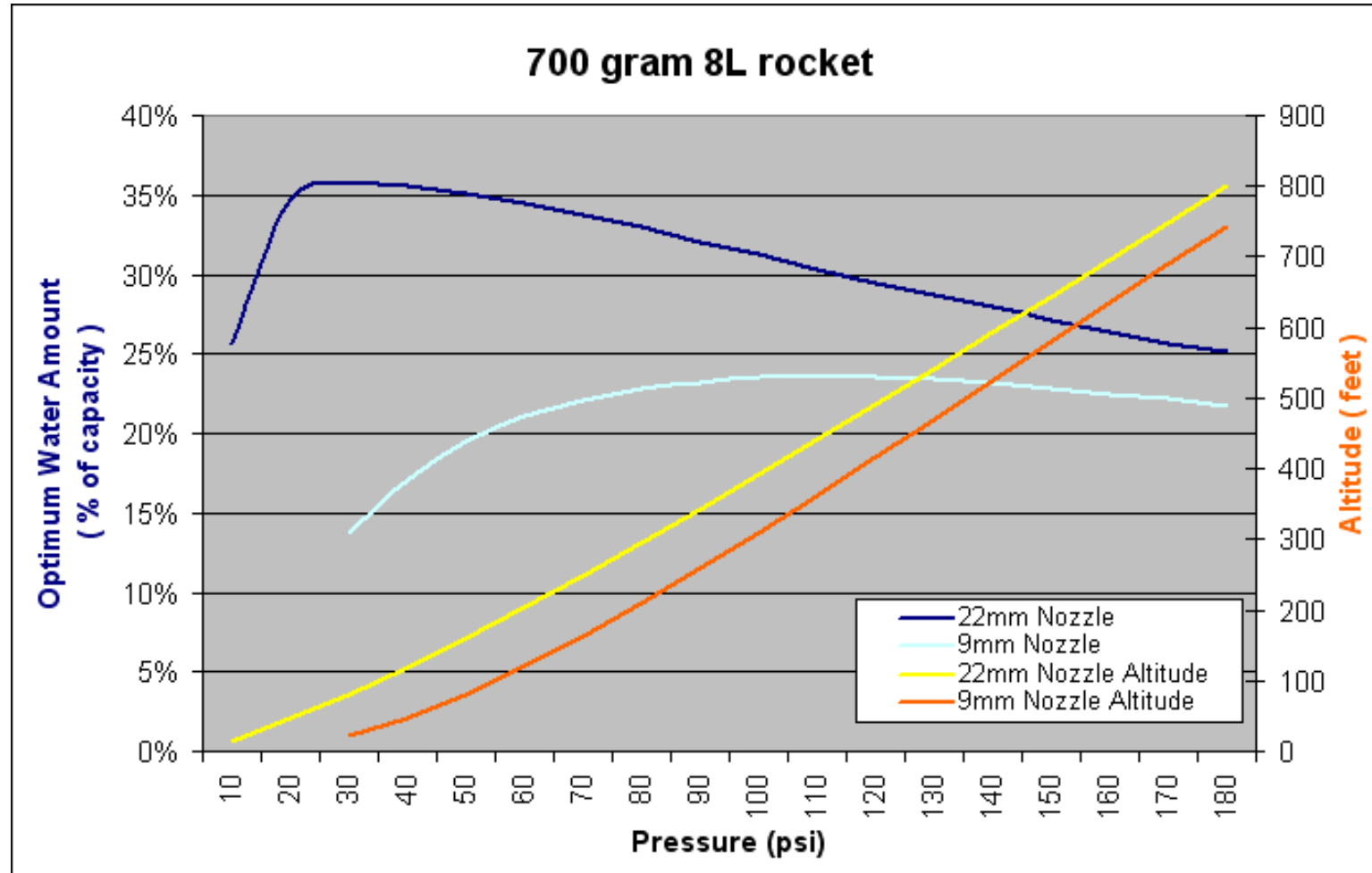
At ground impact:

$$y = 0$$

$$t = 2 V_0 / g$$

$$V = -V_0$$

GRAPHICAL ANALYSIS OF DATA



<http://www.aircommandrockets.com/water.htm>

SOLID FUEL (BLACK POWDER) ROCKETS

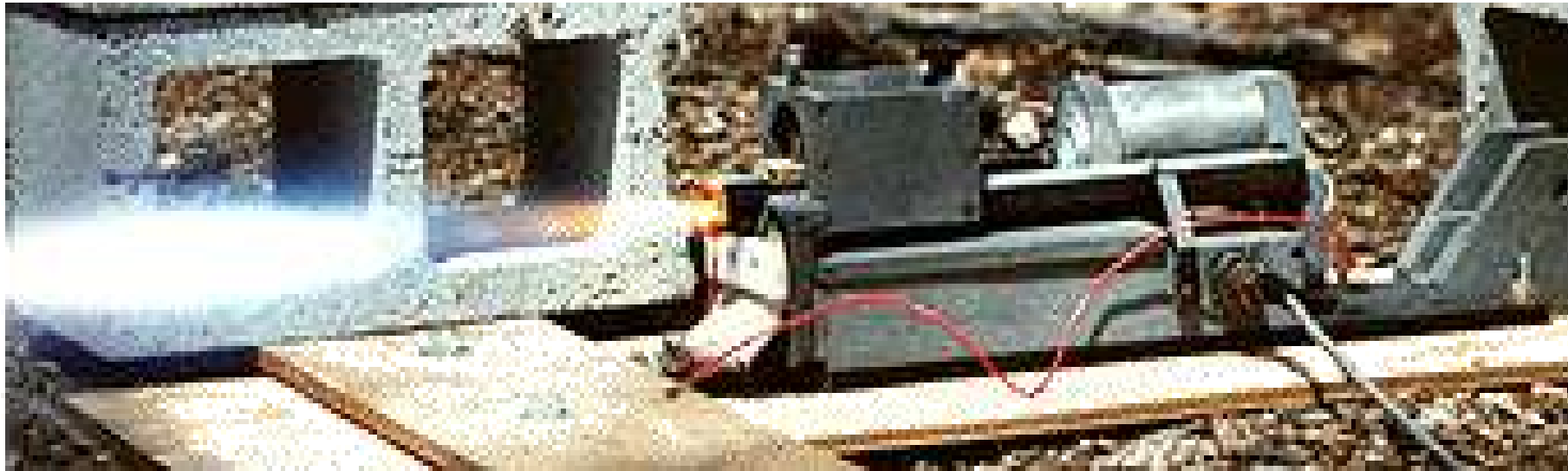


MAKING YOUR OWN BLACK POWDER ROCKETS



<http://www.erockets.biz/brands/Totally-Tubular.html>

ROCKET THRUST CALCULATIONS



ESTES TYPE SOLID FUEL MOTOR BEING TESTED

<http://www.nar.org/standards-and-testing-committee/>

REFERENCES AND RESOURCES

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- ▶ <http://www.aircommandrockets.com/water.htm>
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<http://www.questaerospace.com/>
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