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Fluid Power

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Challenge



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FINAL PRESENTATION
Iowa State
Dr. Brian Steward
April 15, 2020



Ramsey Arneson



- Year
 - Senior
- Major
 - Agricultural Engineering
 - Power & Machinery
- Hobbies
 - Hanging out with friends
 - Snowmobiling
 - Golfing



Hadley Heitshusen

- Year
 - Senior
- Major
 - Agricultural Engineering
 - Power & Machinery
- Hobbies
 - Wood working
 - Motorcycles
 - Snowboarding



Blake Hughes



- Year
 - Senior
- Major
 - Agricultural Engineering
 - Power and Machinery
- Hobbies
 - Track and Field
 - Fishing
 - Hiking



Mentor: Dr. Brian Steward



- Professor of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering at Iowa State University
- Education:
 - BS and MS in Electrical Engineering from South Dakota State University
 - Ph.D. in Agricultural Engineering from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- Teaching areas include:
 - Fluid power engineering and technology
 - Sustainable engineering
 - Dynamic systems modeling and simulation
- Research topics:
 - Fluid Power: Modeling and simulation, sensors, contamination control
 - Virtual prototyping of off-road machine systems



Problem Statement and Objective



Design and build a human powered hydraulic vehicle for the National Fluid Power Association Fluid Powered Vehicle Competition. The vehicle must utilize a human as the prime mover with a hydraulic link somewhere between the prime mover and the ground. The vehicle must utilize stored energy as well as regenerative braking in the hydraulic circuit. The vehicle should minimize losses and weight in order to be as efficient as possible, while satisfying our design criteria and competition constraints.

Design Objectives

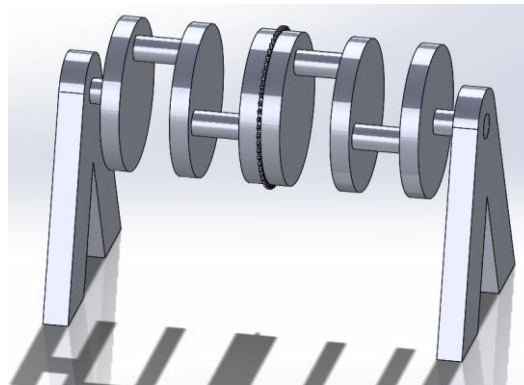
- The vehicle should minimize losses
- The vehicle should minimize weight
- Maximize vehicle performance
 - See above points
- Visually appealing
- No oil leaks
- Efficient and capable regenerative braking
- Safe to operate and be in the presence of operation
- High durability for extensive testing and competition
- Low rolling resistance (tires)
- Minimize drag force (recumbent)

Design Process

- Initial Research
- Initial Calculations
- Develop Schematic Concepts
- Hydraulic Concept Decision
- Source Bike Frame: CAD Analysis
- Hydraulic and Pneumatic Circuit Testing
- DAQ and Controls Design/Testing
- ~~Bike Assembly and Testing~~

Develop Schematic Concepts

1. Accumulator/Motor Pair
 - a. Pros: Successful in the past
 - b. Cons: Limited accumulator volume
2. **Direct Drive with axial piston pump/motor pair**
 - a. Pros: High efficiency compared to gear pump/motor
 - b. Cons: requires high speed for high efficiency and fixed displacement
3. Homemade pump (hand pumps on crank)
 - a. Pros: High volumetric efficiency without high gear ratios and potentially variable displacement
 - b. Cons: Low mechanical efficiency and high complexity of design



Direct Drive Motor/Pump



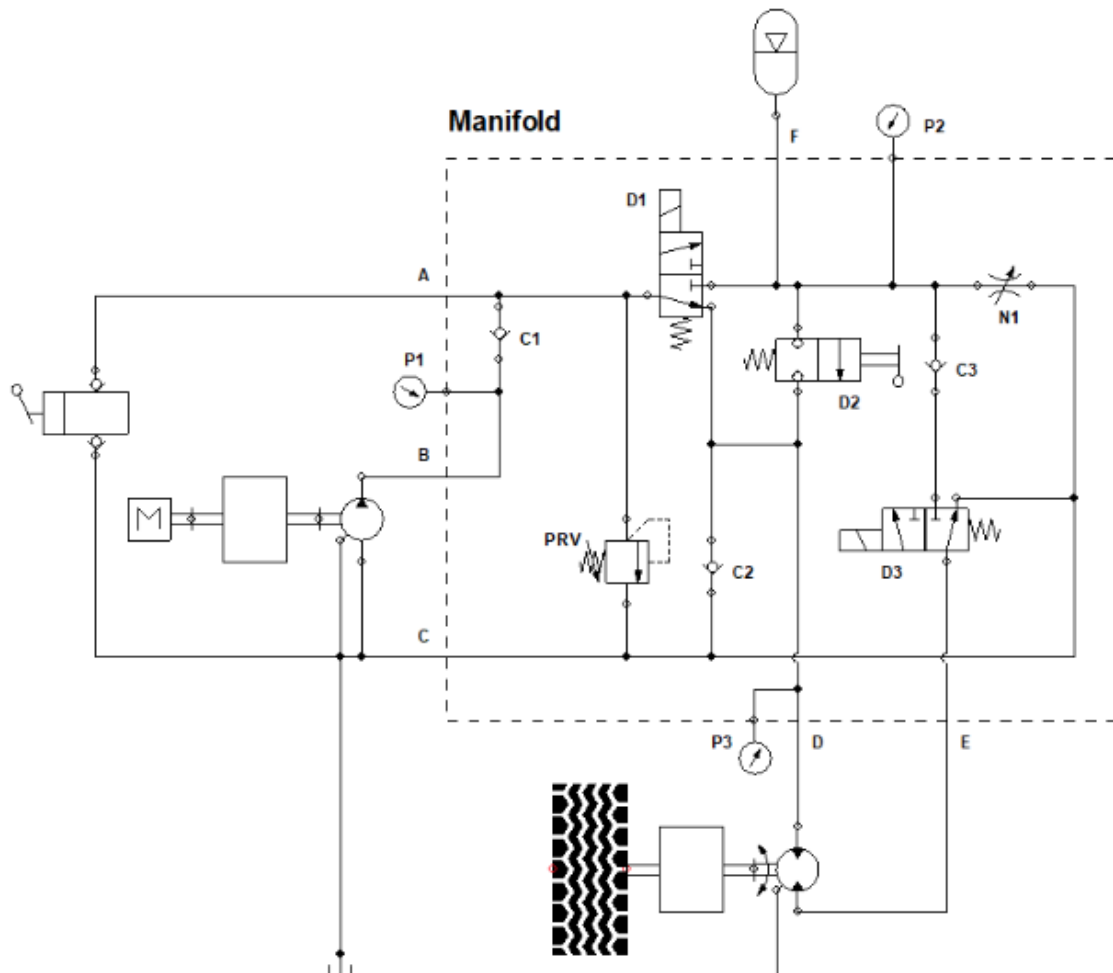
- Created a single spreadsheet to allow simulation of full HST
- Included estimated efficiencies of different pumps
- Allowed us to change parameters such as human inputs, bike weight, efficiencies, gear ratios, etc.
 - Wanted to match parameters as closely with our research as possible
 - Minimize the size of our pump/motor in order to maximize efficiency
- This spreadsheet allowed us to settle on a 5 cc/rev motor
 - Chose axial piston due to efficiency advantages over other styles
 - See next slide for more motor information

HST Sizing Spreadsheet

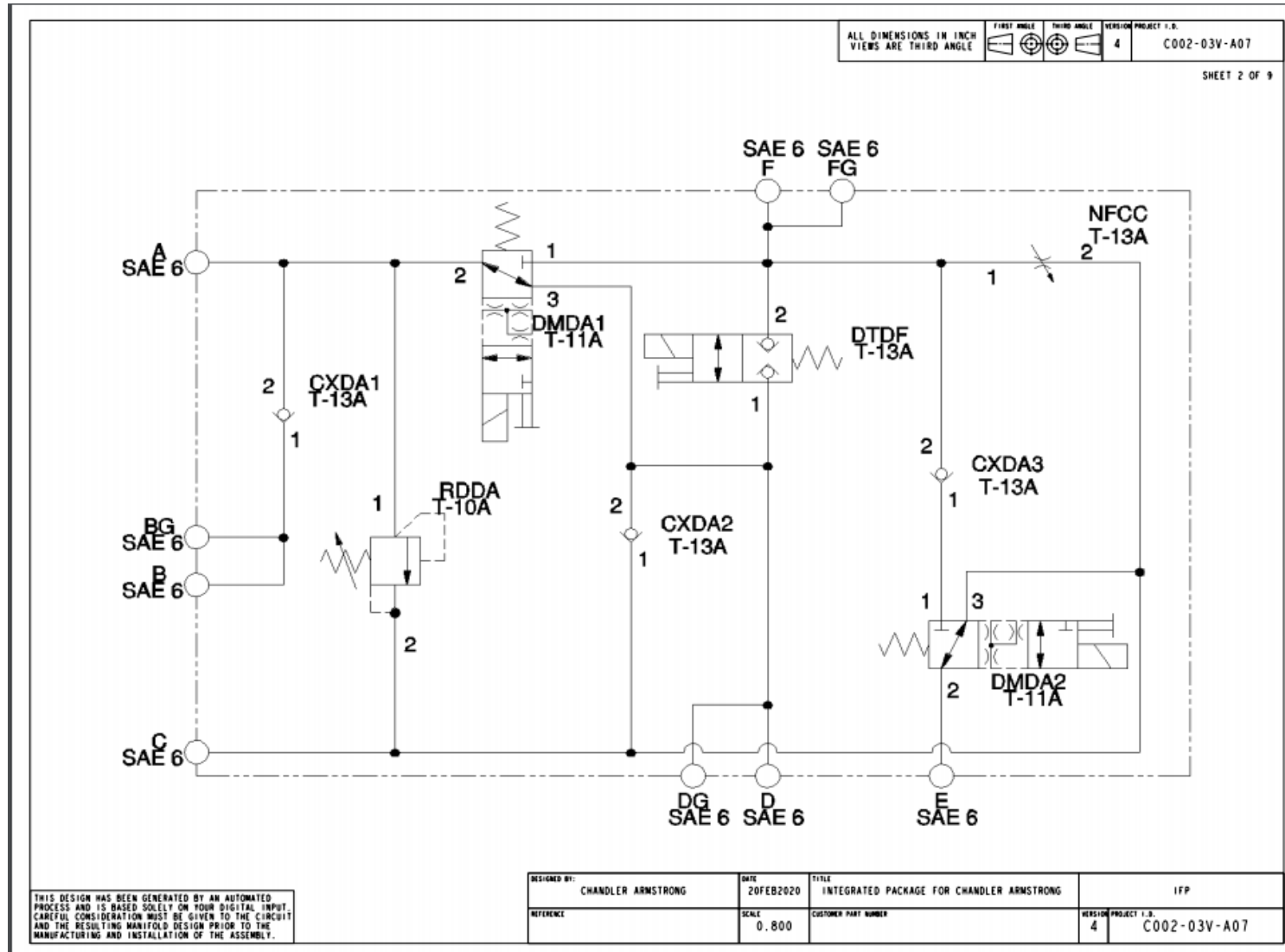


Human Characteristics		Pump Characteristics		Motor Characteristics		Bike Characteristics	
Human Input (lb)	20	Pump Drive Ratio	15.9	Estimated V_eff	0.95	Rolling Radius (in)	10
Pedal Lever (mm)	175	Pump Displacement (cc/rev)	5	Motor Displacement (cc/rev)	5	Final Drive Ratio Max	3.99
Pedal Lever (ft)	0.57	Pump Speed (rpm)	1909	Motor Speed (rpm)	1723	Final Drive Ratio Min	18.40
Human Input Torque (ft-lb)	11.5	Estimated V_eff	0.95	Mech_eff	0.85	Wheel Speed (rpm)	432.0
Human Input Speed (rpm)	120	Pump Flow (L/min)	9.07	Motor Torque (ft-lb)	0.5	Ground Speed (mph)	25.7
Power (hp)	0.26	Estimated Pressure (psi)	500	Accumulator Pressure (psi)	400	Ground Force (lb)	2.4
Power (W)	195.7	Pump Power (hp)	0.70	Accumulator Torque (ft-lb)	1.4	Wheel Speed Min (rpm)	93.7
		Chain Efficiency	0.98	Accumulator Volume (in3)	125.6	Ground Speed Min (mph)	5.6
		Input Torque (ft-lb)	0.71	Accumulator Revs	329.3	Ground Force Max (lb)	11.1
Sprocket 1	50	Calculated Pressure (psi)	149	Estimated Accum. Eff	0.8	Claimed Total Efficiency	0.626
Sprocket 2	11	Mech_eff	0.85			Chain Efficiency	0.9801
	4.55	Flow GPM	2.40			Power Max (hp)	0.16
Sprocket 3	42					Power Max (W)	122.6
Sprocket 4	12					Power Min (hp)	0.16
	3.50					Power Min (W)	122.6
	15.9					Accumulator Force Max (lb)	29.8
						Accumulator Force Min (lb)	6.5
						Accumulator Distance (ft)	1724.4

Hydraulic Circuit



Manifold



Component Selection (Motor)



5 cc/rev bent axis Hydro Leduc hydraulic motor

- Axial Piston Configuration
 - Higher efficiency than gear
 - Better overall performance
- IFP able to supply this type of motor



Motor model	Displacement		Continuous max. speed (1)	Intermittent max. speed (1)	Max. flow absorbed		Torque		Torque at 350 bar (5100 psi)		Theoretical maximal power at 5800 psi 400 bar		Max. allowable pressure continuous / peak		Weight (kg)	
	cu.in/rev	cc/rev	rpm	rpm	gpm	l/mn	lbf.ft/psi	N.m/bar	lbf ft	N.m	HP	kW	psi	bar	lbs	Kg
M 5_093840	0.31	5	8000	8800	10.6	40	0.0040	0.08	21	28	35.7	26.6	5800 / 6525	400 / 450	9.7	4.4
M 12	0.73	12	8000	8800	25.4	96	0.0097	0.19	49	67	85.7	64	5800 / 6525	400 / 450	12.1	5.5
M 18	1.10	18.0	8000	8800	38.0	144	0.0145	0.29	74	100	128.7	96	5800 / 6525	400 / 450	12.1	5.5
M 25	1.52	24.9	6300	6900	41.4	157	0.0201	0.40	102	139	140.1	104.5	5800 / 6525	400 / 450	25.14	11.5
M 28	1.69	27.7	6300	6900	46.1	175	0.0223	0.44	114	154	155.9	116.3	5800 / 6525	400 / 450	25	11.5

Component Selection

- 1 gallon composite accumulator
- 5 cc/rev Hydro Leduc bent axis motor x2
- Direct acting pressure relief valve x2
- Check valves x5
- Hand Pump
- Flow control needle valve
- SAE -6 hoses of 36 and 12 inches in length
- 2 position, 2 way, bi-poppet NC solenoid valve
- 2 position, 2 way, NC manual valve
- 3 way ball valve x2
- 2 way ball valve
- Required line bodies and fittings for above components
- Manifold made by IFP

Component Selection (Bike)

- TerraTrike Rover x8
- 2x2" structural steel
 - Easy to modify
- Lightweight
 - 44 lb
- Recumbent
 - Lower drag forces
- Affordable



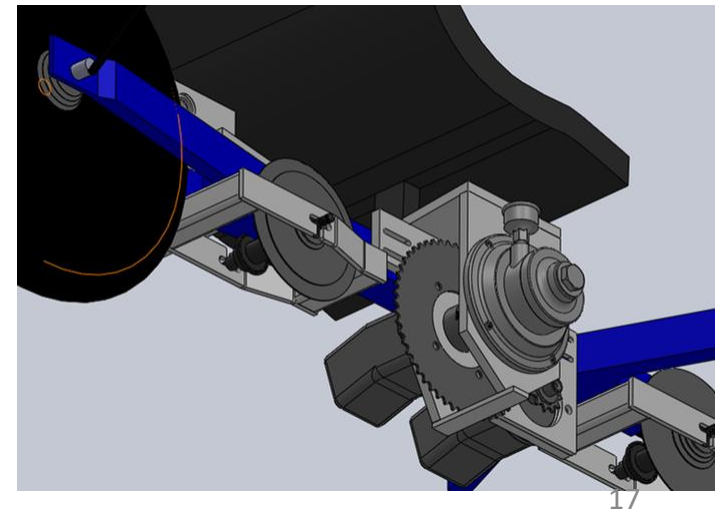
Pneumatics

Concepts

- Actuate air motor/wheel combo onto the ground
 - pros: no parasitic losses
 - cons: added weight and complexity
- Run air motor on hydraulic motor shaft/chain
 - pros: low weight, low complexity
 - cons: parasitic loss on hydraulic system when not active

Parts

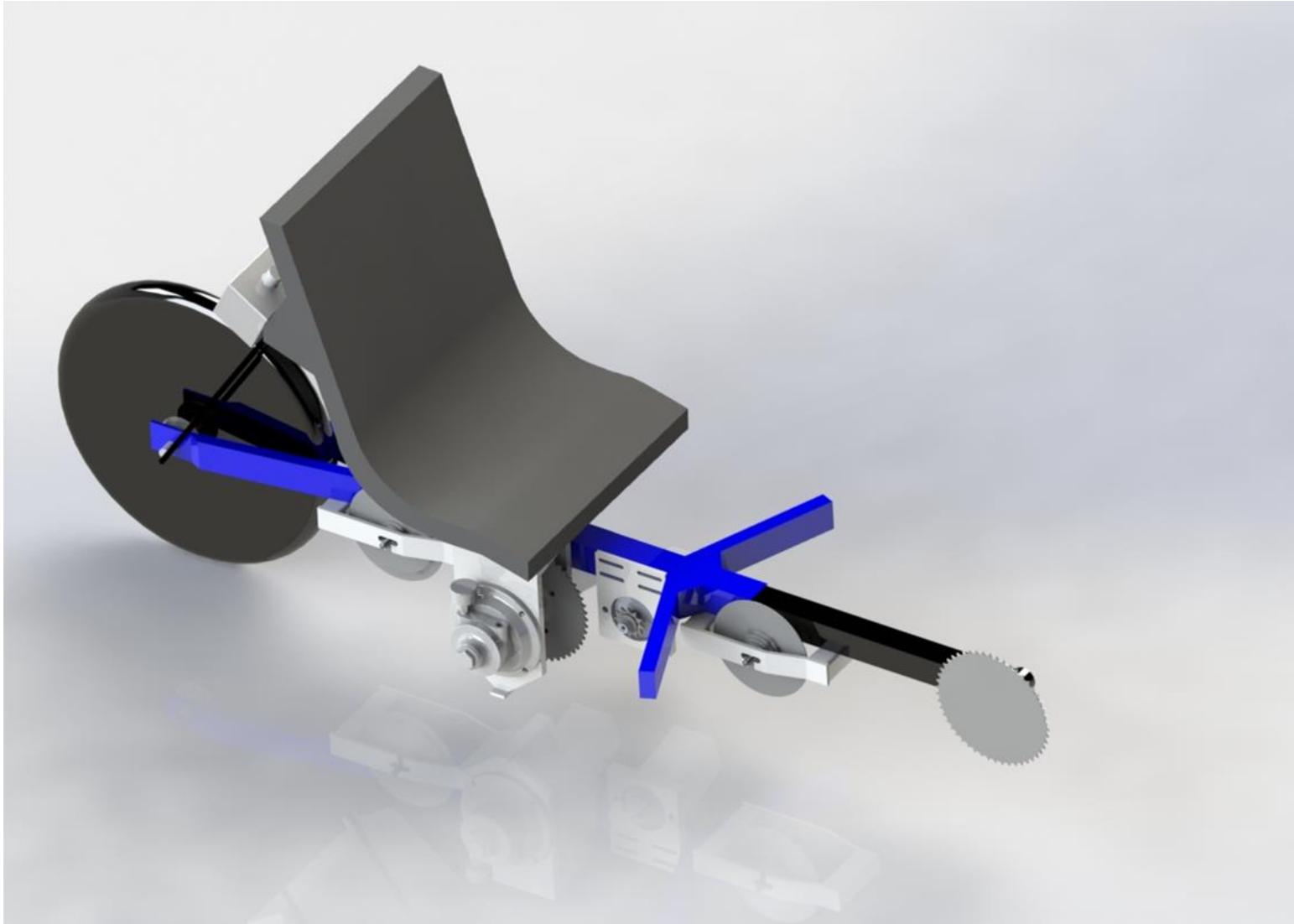
- 0.95 hp air motor
- Necessary coupling and mount
- Valving, air line, and controls



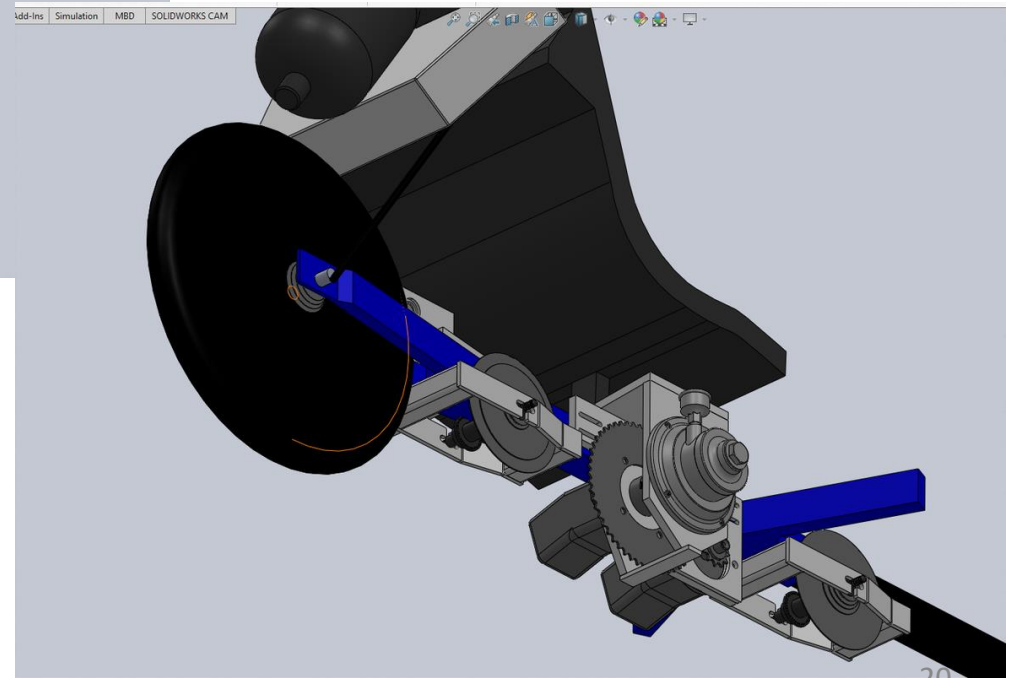
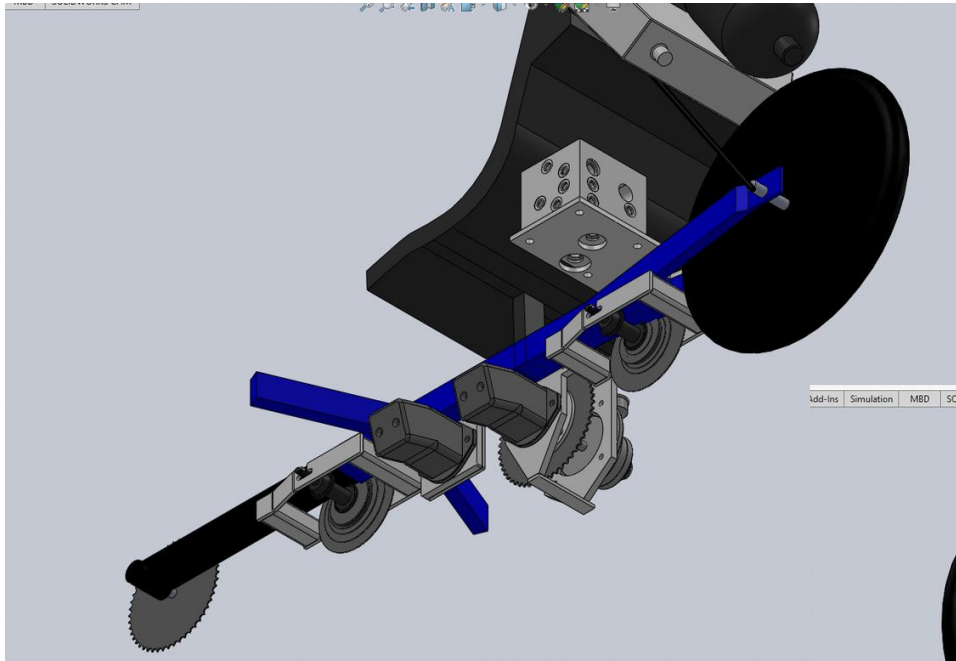
Progress made

- Design work is complete
 - All hydraulic components and brackets modeled
 - Hydraulic system has been simulated and modeled
- Parts
 - All hydraulic components have arrived
 - Manifold has been delivered from IFP
 - Brackets are machined and ready to go
- Unable to assemble due to COVID-19, younger members unable to contribute

Vehicle Design



Vehicle Design



Controls



Battery

- Use Li-on to save weight
 - Modify Milwaukee power supply

System

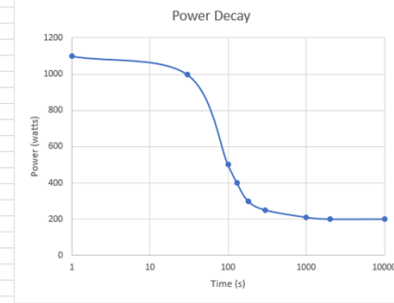
- Logic: Arduino
- Drivers: SS microcontroller relays
- Inputs: Switches (momentary, latching)



Testing - Simulation

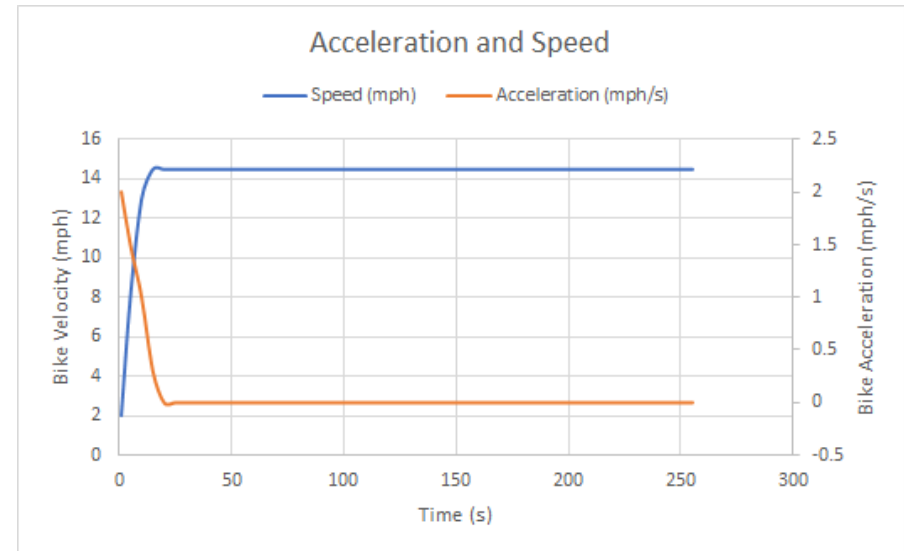
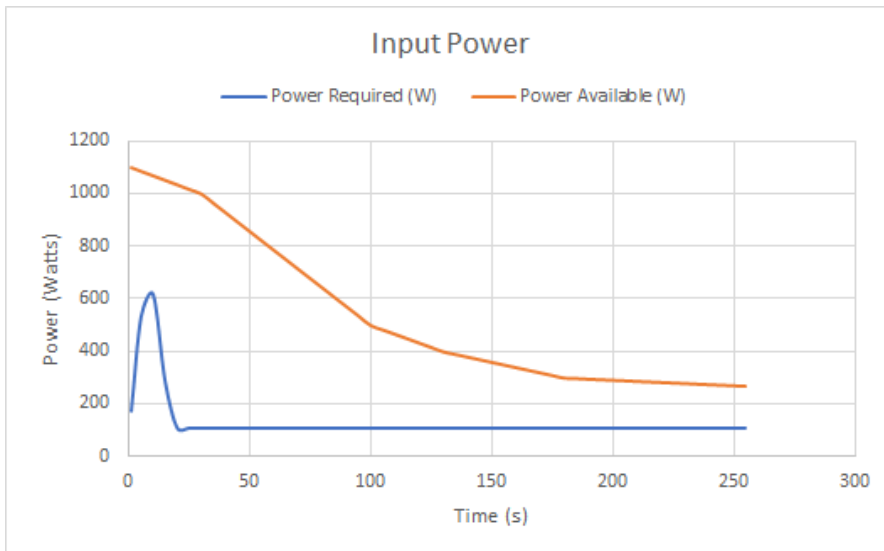
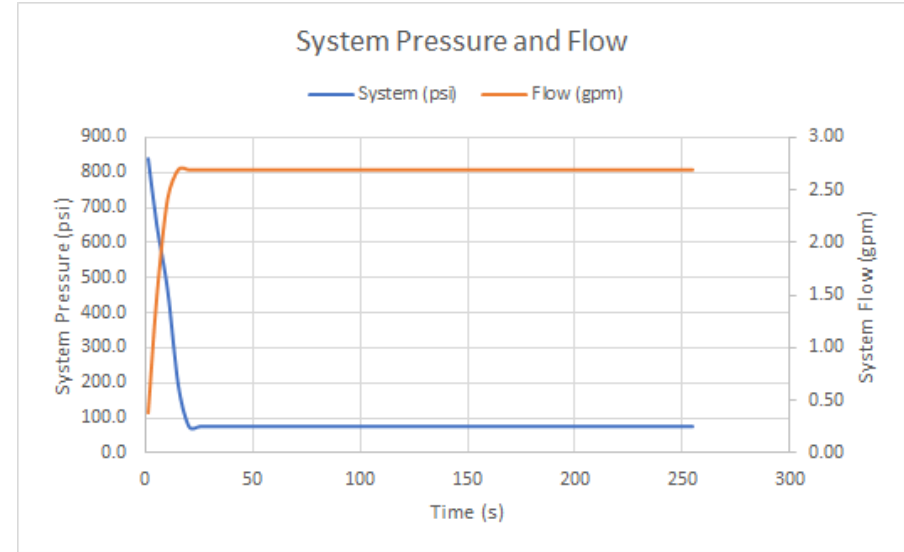
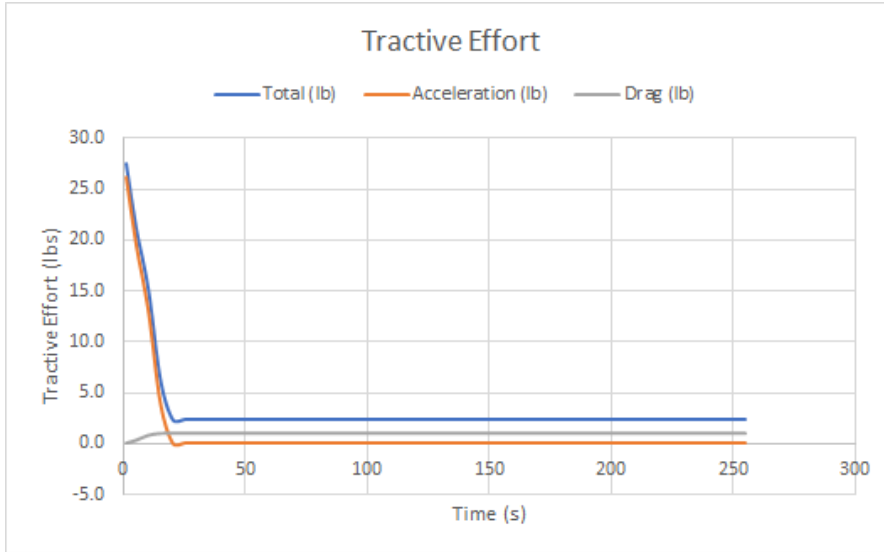
- Attempt to model would-be bike performance

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X		
1	Bike Information			Hydraulic Information				Drivetrain Information				Human Input Information														
2	Weights:			Pump/Motor Displacement	4.93	cc/rev	Pump Gear Ratio:	15.9	Max Speed	130	rpm															
3	Bike	45	lb	Efficiency (via rpm)			Gear 1	50	teeth	SS Speed	80	rpm														
4	Pump	9.7	lb	500	0.8		Gear 2	11	teeth	Min Speed	60	rpm														
5	Motor	9.7	lb	750	0.85		Gear 3	42	teeth	Max Power	1100	watts														
6	Battery	2	lb	1000	0.9		Gear 4	12	teeth	SS Power	200	watts														
7	Rider	180	lb	System Efficiency	0.8		Motor Gear Ratio:	7.8																		
8	Valves	15	lb	Accumulator:			Gear 1	53	teeth																	
9	Manifold	10	lb	V1, Volume Total	231	in3	Gear 2	22	teeth	Power Decay																
10	Pneumatics	15	lb	P1, Pre-Charge	1000	psi	Gear 3	42	teeth	1	1100	watts														
11	Total:	286.4	lb	P2, Max Pressure	3000	psi	Gear 4	13	teeth	30	1000	watts														
12	Total less rider:	106.4	lb	Gas Volume at P2	77	in3	Efficiency per step	0.99		100	500	watts														
13				n	1.4					130	400	watts														
14	Wheels	3		VX, Output	173					180	300	watts														
15	Rolling Radius	10	in	Output Flow	0.5	gpm				300	250	watts														
16	C_d	0.35								1000	210	watts														
17	Fluid Density (air)	1.225	kg/m3							2000	200	watts														
18	Acceleration	0.5	mph/s							10000	200	watts														
19	Rolling Resistance	0.005																								
20	Grade	0.1																								
21	Headwind	0	mph																							
22	Cross Section Area	0.5	m2																							
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25																										
26	Conversions																									
27		1.46666	ft/s/mph																							
28		2.23694	mph_m/s																							
29		4.45	N/lb																							
30		746	watt/hp																							
31		16.3871	cm3/in3																							



	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB
1	Human Input			Movement				Traction Force				Speeds (flow)				Torques (pressure)				Accumulator								
2	Time (s)	Power Availab	Speed (rpm)	Torque (ft-lb)	Power Required	Torque Required	Acceleration (mph/s)	Speed (mph)	Distance (ft)	Grade (%)	Acceleration (ft/s)	Drag (lb)	Rolling-Grade (lb)	Total (lb)	Wheel (rpm)	Motor (rpm)	Flow (gpm)	Pump (rpm)	Wheel (ft-lb)	Motor (ft-lb)	System (psi)	Pump (ft-lb)	Flow (gpm)	Volume Remain (in3)	Pressure (psi)	Motor (rpm)	Motor (ft-lb)	Status
3	1	1100	20.3	391	174	60	2	2	3	0	26	0.0	14	27.5	34	262	0.38	323	23.0	3.0	837.8	3.7	0.5	171.0	2310	345.5	11.6	1
4	5	1086	73.6	96	527	47	15	6	6	0	19.6	0.3	14	21.3	132	1026	1.48	1266	17.8	2.3	648.2	2.9	0.5	163.3	2539	345.5	10.4	1
5	10	1069	129.3	58	615	33	1	13	10	0	13.0	0.8	14	15.3	214	1667	2.41	2058	12.7	1.7	465.1	2.1	0.5	153.7	2300	345.5	9.2	1
6	15	1052	144.3	51	285	14	0.3	14.5	14	0	3.9	1.0	14	6.4	239	1859	2.69	2295	5.3	0.7	193.4	0.9	0.5	144.0	2067	345.5	8.2	1
7	20	1034	144.3	50	110	5	0	14.5	18	0	0.0	1.0	14	2.4	239	1859	2.69	2295	2.0	0.3	74.3	0.3	0.5	134.4	1882	345.5	7.5	1
8	25	1017	144.3	50	110	5	0	14.5	22	0	0.0	1.0	14	2.4	239	1859	2.69	2295	2.0	0.3	74.3	0.3	0.5	124.8	1731	345.5	6.9	1
9	30	1000	144.3	49	110	5	0	14.5	27	0	0.0	1.0	14	2.4	239	1859	2.69	2295	2.0	0.3	74.3	0.3	0.5	115.2	1606	345.5	6.4	1
10	35	964	144.3	47	110	5	0	14.5	31	0	0.0	1.0	14	2.4	239	1859	2.69	2295	2.0	0.3	74.3	0.3	0.5	105.5	1501	345.5	6.0	1
11	40	929	144.3	45	110	5	0	14.5	35	0	0.0	1.0	14	2.4	239	1859	2.69	2295	2.0	0.3	74.3	0.3	0.5	95.9	1413	345.5	5.6	1
12	45	893	144.3	44	110	5	0	14.5	39	0	0.0	1.0	14	2.4	239	1859	2.69	2295	2.0	0.3	74.3	0.3	0.5	86.3	1337	345.5	5.3	1
13	50	857	144.3	42	110	5	0	14.5	44	0	0.0	1.0	14	2.4	239	1859	2.69	2295	2.0	0.3	74.3	0.3	0.5	76.7	1271	345.5	5.1	1
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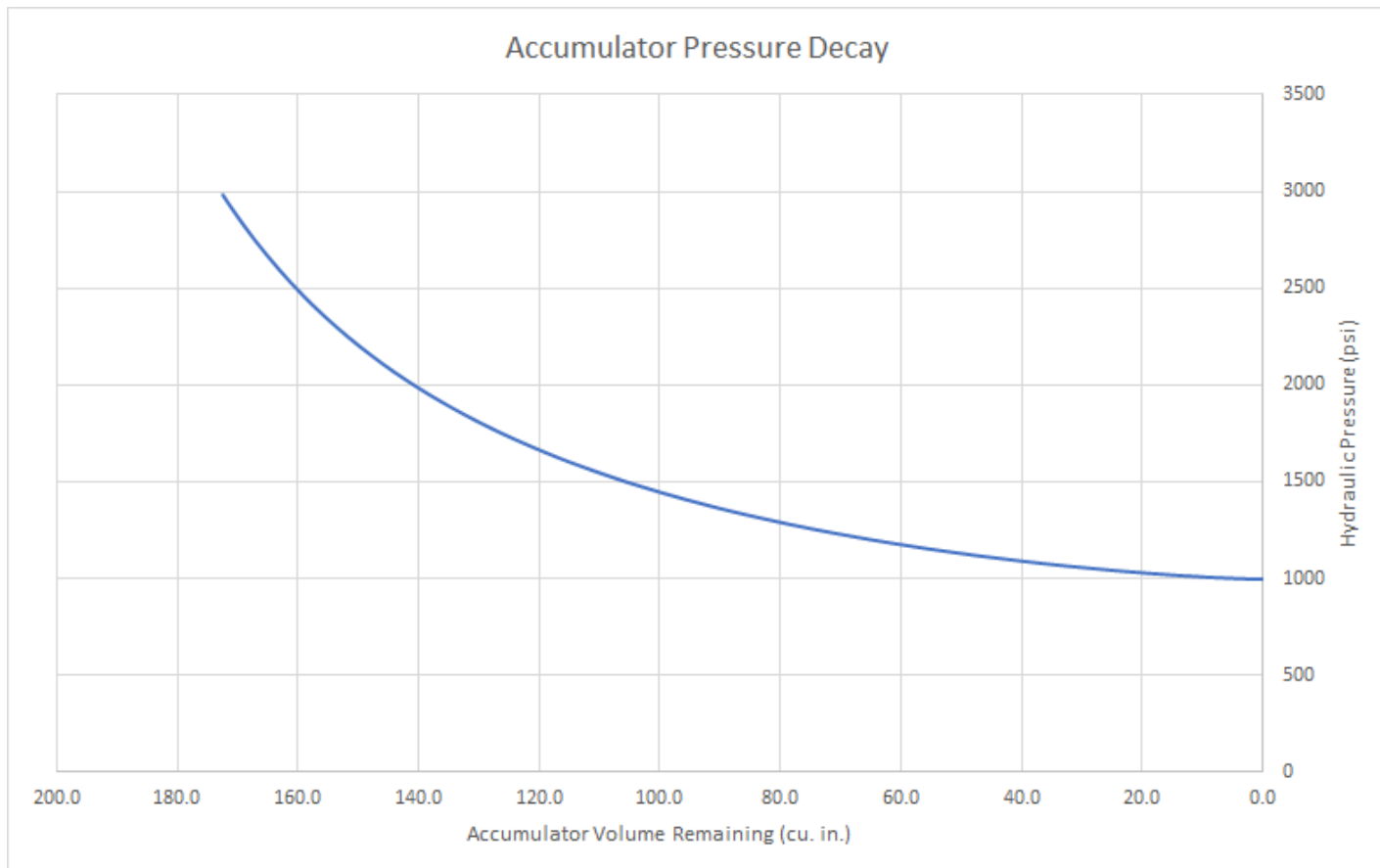
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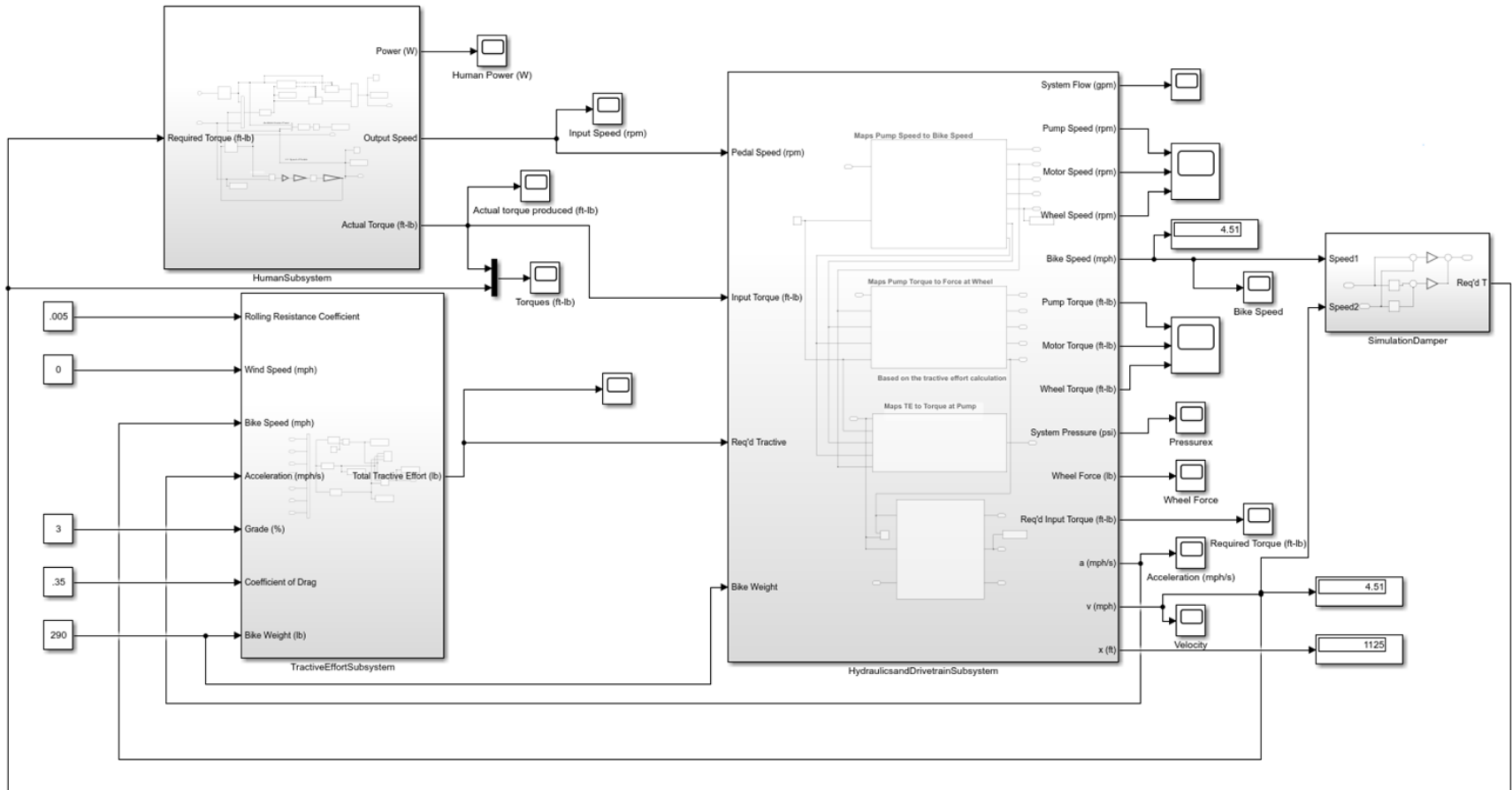
Accumulator Discharge



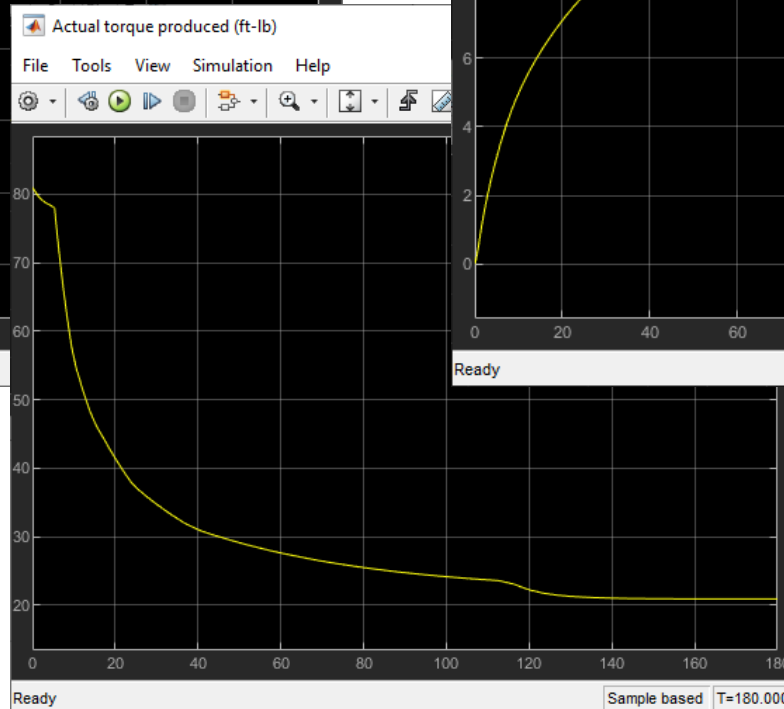
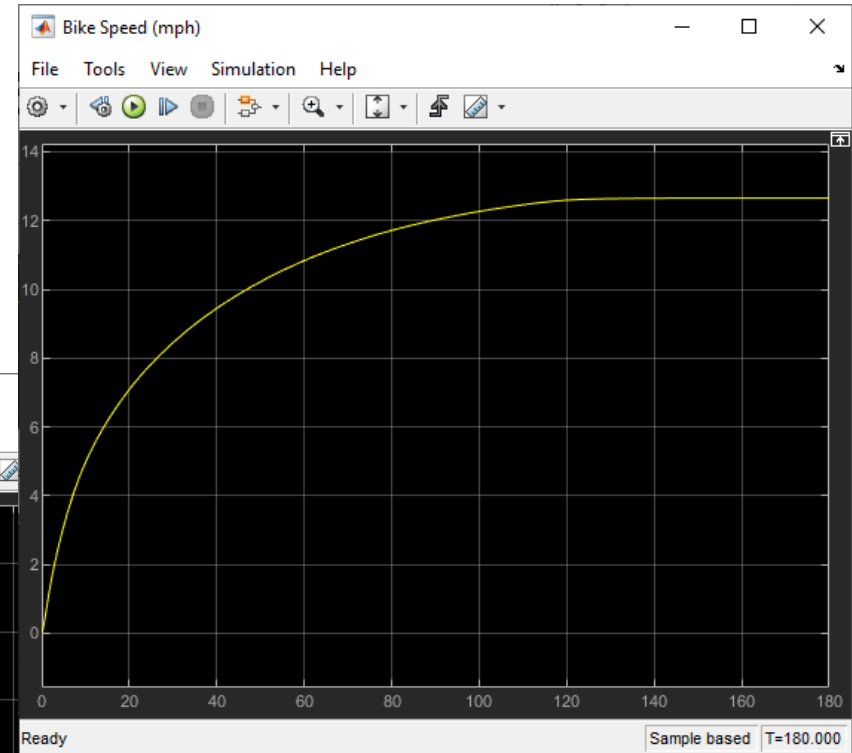
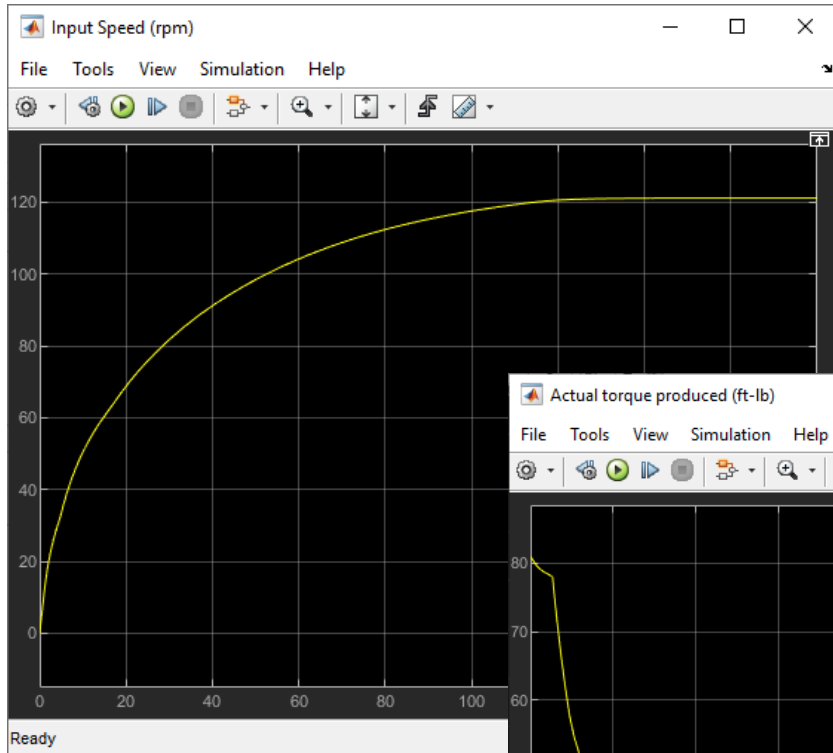
1000 psi pre-charge



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Lessons learned

- Time management is essential
- Important to consult others and ask for help
- Application of knowledge gained in the classroom to the real world
- Adapting to adversity is often required