SAE Mini Baja

Progress Report

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Project Introduction

- 2014 SAE Baja Competition
- Customer is SAE International
- Create international design standards
- Hold various collegiate design competitions
- Stakeholder is NAU SAE
- Project advisor is Dr. John Tester

Need Statement

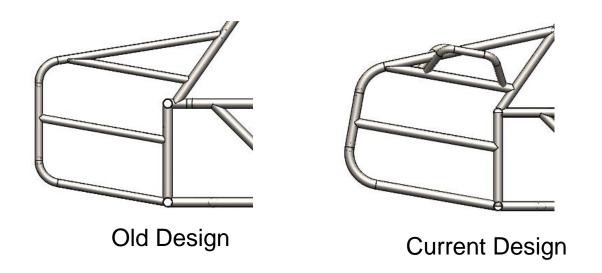
 NAU has not won an event at the SAE Baja competition in many years.

 Goal of the frame team is to design the lightest possible frame within the SAE Baja rules.

 Goal changes to overall vehicle safety compliance after completion of the frame.

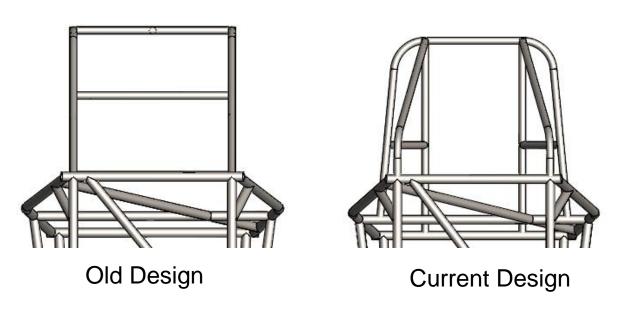
Front-End Redesign

- Originally 1" x 0.035" tubing
- Changed to 1.25" x 0.065 tubing
- Changed front angle

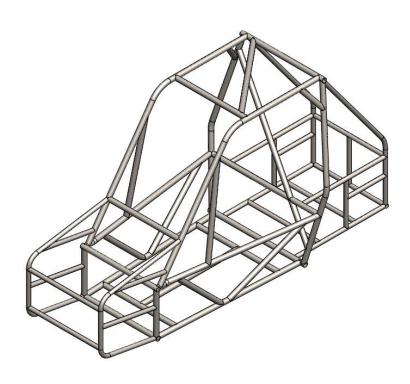


Rear-End Redesign

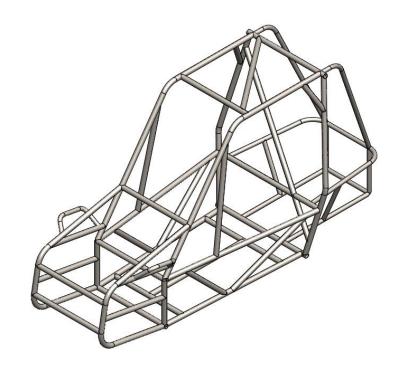
- Originally designed for separate gearbox and differential
- Redesigned for single unit combined gearbox and differential



Isometric View



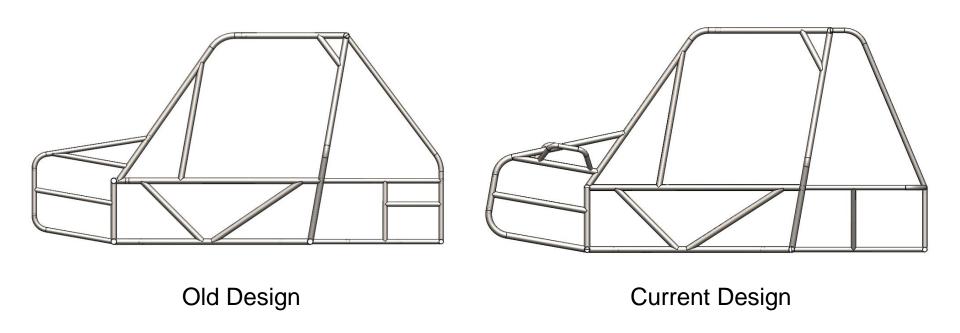
Old Design



Current Design

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Side View



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Top View



Old Design



Current Design

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Current Progress





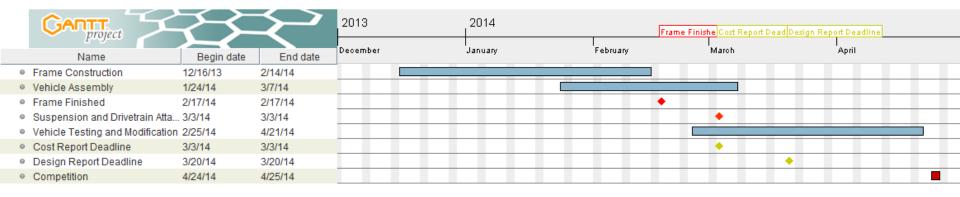
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Spring 2014 Project Plan

- Complete Frame by February 15
- Final Assembly by March 3
- SAE Cost Report by March 3
- SAE Design Report by March 20
- Competition on April 24

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Conclusion

- SAE international is the client, NAU SAE is a stakeholder, and Dr. John Tester is the project advisor.
- The frame team will build the lightest possible frame to maximize chances of winning.
- Geometry of the front end was redesigned to make construction easier.

Conclusion

- The rear end was redesigned to accommodate the new single unit differential / transmission.
- Currently the roll cage and parts of the front end have been completed.
- The team is currently on schedule. More time has been allotted for frame construction due to the redesign of the front and rear ends.

Questions?