

Clarkson University Electric Knights

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Appeal



- Quiet
- Potential access to previously restricted parks/land
- Don't smell of gas/oil



Performance



- Improved traction
- Instant torque

- Quick
- Center of gravity



Ergonomics



- Seat comfort
- Maneuverability
- Switches similar to stock



Dealers



- Alternative to gas powered snowmobiles
- Expands selection
- Entry into niche markets



Design and Cost



- Tradeoff between cost and endurance
- Design to make for an easy transition
- BMS helps maintain battery integrity
- Operable by riders of different experiences

Environmental



- No emissions
- Almost no noise
- Lightweight



Batteries



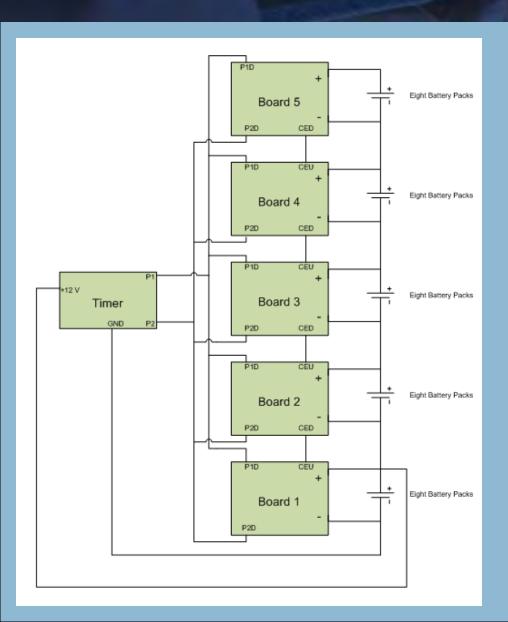
- Lithium polymer
- Very linear discharge rate
- Total of 168 volts



	SLA	NiCd	NiMH	Li-ion	Li-polymer
Operating Voltage (V)	2	1.2	1.2	3.6	3.6
Energy Density	35 Wh/kg	40 Wh/kg	70 Wh/kg	175 Wh/Kg	175 Wh/kg
Cycle Life	500-800	500-1000	500-1000	500	500
Advantage	Cost	High drain rates	Good value	High Energy density	Thin form factor
Disadvantage	Low capacity	Low capacity	Venting	Complicated Packs	Expensive

Battery Management System





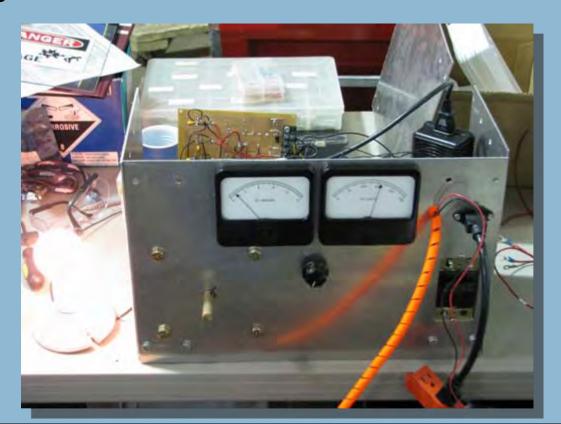




Charging



- Custom built charger
- Charges at a safe pace for the batteries
- Easy to use

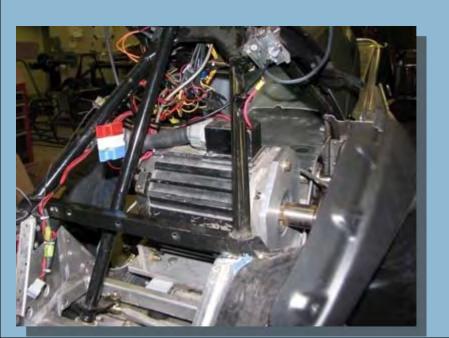


Motor/Controller



Solectria AC21-a 3-phase AC motor

Azure Dynamics DMOC 445 controller

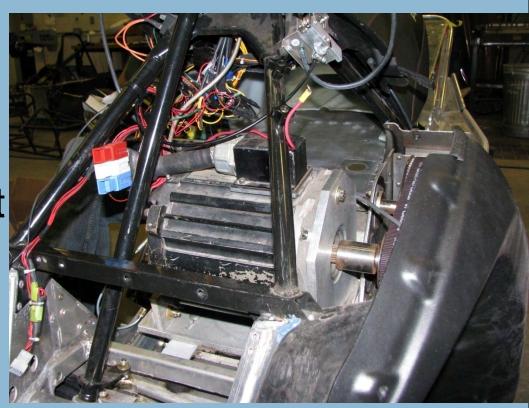




Drive System



- Fixed drive
- ~2.5-1 overall gear ratio
- Gates Polychain belt



Traction

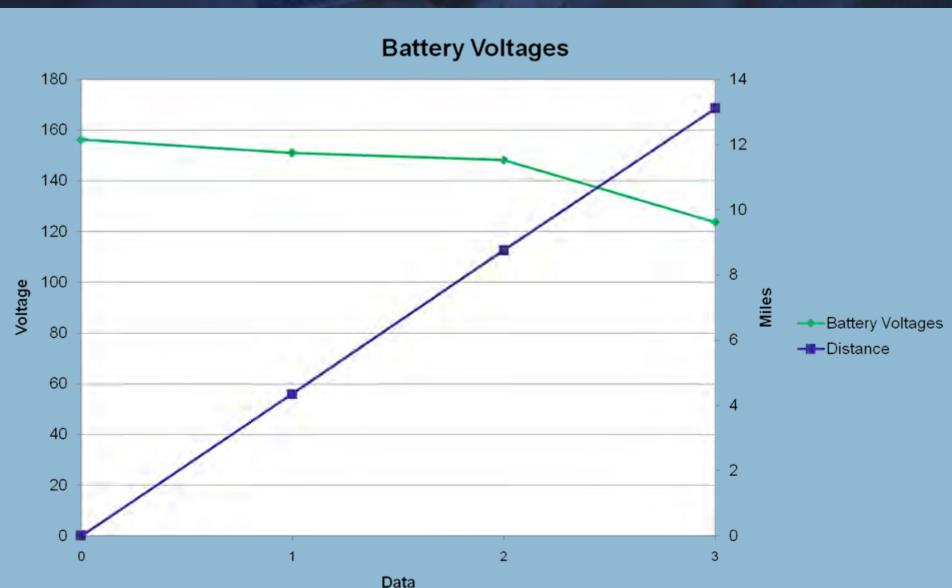


- Camoplast Cobra
- 48 Woody's studs
- Camoplast skis
- Center of gravity



Test Results





Conclusion



Electric snowmobiles may still remain relatively expensive as a result of battery technology, however they will appeal to niche markets and their energy consumption is more efficient than internal combustion sleds.

Thank You!



