

Working with Crazyflies on Ubuntu

Running Crazyflie program:
\$ python3 -m cfclient.gui

Crazyflie tutorial:

Communication **radio://0/80/2M/E7E7E7E7E7.**

Crazyradio PA

- Crazyradio Real-Time Protocol (CRTP)

Unique URI

- **Medium:** Which radio you are using
- **Channel:** 10-120
- **Communication Speed:** bits per second
- **Address:** of the individual Crazyflie drone

Broadcast to multiple Crazyflies

- Sure, as long as you are on the same channel.

Internal Measurement Unit (IMU):

Accelerometers: Acceleration in x,y,z

Gyroscope: Angular movement

Pressure Sensor: Used for height estimation

(barometer is off by default)

Crazyflie can carry 15 grams maximum.

Flow deck can fly up to 4 meters or 13 feet.

Flow deck has a 30x30 pixel camera to detect pixel flow

4.2 degree field of view

Crazyflie's initial coordinates are wherever the Crazyflie starts.

Swarm control:

Broadcasting

- Messages with no return expected

Multiple Crazyflies per Crazyradio

Use same channel

Can not send specific trajectories at each time step

Crazyflies need to do more themselves

Flashing multiple Crazyflies

- Bit off-topic but this will need to be done in advance.
- Go to examples/demos/swarm_demo
- Don't forget to put in geometry!
 - o Maybe this shifted during setting up
- Use the .sh script for flashing all of them
 - o ./cload_all.sh

Crazyflie Movement:

With SyncCrazyflie(URI) as scf:

With MotionCommander(scf) as mc:

When using the flow deck for localization:

The drone will maintain height relative to what is underneath the flow deck. The flow deck has trouble maintaining stability when moving fast especially in circles.

https://www.bitcraze.io/documentation/repository/crazyflie-lib-python/master/api/cflib/positioning/motion_commander/

MotionCommander(crazyflie, default_height=0.3)

Immediately take off at default_height (meters) and enable movement commands.

Parameters:

- crazyflie: a Crazyflie or SyncCrazyflie instance
- default_height: The default height to fly at

Class variables

- RATE
- VELOCITY

Basic movement:

```
def move_distance(self, distance_x_m, distance_y_m, distance_z_m, velocity=0.2)
```

Move in a straight line. (+) X is forward (+) Y is left (+) Z is up.

- distance_x_m: The distance to travel along the X-axis (meters)
- distance_y_m: The distance to travel along the Y-axis (meters)
- distance_z_m: The distance to travel along the Z-axis (meters)
- velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

```
def start_linear_motion(self, velocity_x_m, velocity_y_m, velocity_z_m, rate_yaw=0.0)
```

Start a linear motion with an optional yaw rate input. This function returns immediately.

- velocity_x_m: The velocity along the X-axis (meters/second)
- velocity_y_m: The velocity along the Y-axis (meters/second)
- velocity_z_m: The velocity along the Z-axis (meters/second)
- rate_yaw: The angular rate (degrees/second)

Start/stop:

```
def take_off(self, height=None, velocity=0.2)
```

Takes off, that is starts the motors, goes straight up and hovers. Do not call this function if you use the keyword. Take off is done automatically when the context is created.

- height: The height (meters) to hover at. None uses the default height set when constructed.
- velocity: The velocity (meters/second) when taking off

```
def stop(self)
```

Stop any motion and hover.

```
def land(self, velocity=0.2)
```

Go straight down and turn off the motors.

Do not call this function if you use the with keyword. Landing is done automatically when the context goes out of scope.

- velocity: The velocity (meters/second) when going down

Move up/down:

```
def up(self, distance_m, velocity=0.2)
Go up
    - distance_m: The distance to travel (meters)
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

def start_up(self, velocity=0.2)
Start moving up. This function returns immediately.
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

def down(self, distance_m, velocity=0.2)
Go down
    - distance_m: The distance to travel (meters)
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

def start_down(self, velocity=0.2)
Start moving down. This function returns immediately.
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)
```

Move forward/back:

```
def forward(self, distance_m, velocity=0.2)
Go forward
    - distance_m: The distance to travel (meters)
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

def start_forward(self, velocity=0.2)
Start moving forward. This function return immediately.
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

def back(self, distance_m, velocity=0.2)
Go backwards
    - distance_m: The distance to travel (meters)
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

def start_back(self, velocity=0.2)
Start moving backwards. This function returns immediately.
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)
```

Left movements:

```
def left(self, distance_m, velocity=0.2)
```

Go left

- distance_m: The distance to travel (meters)
- velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

```
def start_left(self, velocity=0.2)
```

Start moving left. This function return immediately.

- velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

```
def turn_left(self, angle_degrees, rate=72.0)
```

Turn to the left, staying on the spot.

- angle_degrees: How far to turn (degrees)
- rate: The turning speed (degrees/second)

```
def start_turn_left(self, rate=72.0)
```

Sart turning left. This function returns immediately.

- rate: The angular rate (degrees/second)

```
def circle_left(self, radius_m, velocity=0.2, angle_degrees=360.0)
```

Go in circle, counter clockwise

- radius_m: The radius of the circle (meters)
- velocity: The velocity along the circle (meters/second)
- angle_degrees: How far to go in the circle (degrees)

```
def start_circle_left(self, radius_m, velocity=0.2)
```

Start a circular motion to the left. This function returns immediately

- radius_m: The radius of the circle (meters)
- velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

Right movements:

```
def right(self, distance_m, velocity=0.2)
Go right
    - distance_m: The distance to travel (meters)
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

def start_right(self, velocity=0.2)
Start moving right. This function returns immediately.
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)

def turn_right(self, angle_degrees, rate=72.0)
Turn to the right, Staying on the spot
    - angle_degrees: How far to turn (degrees)
    - rate: The turning speed (degrees/second)

def start_turn_right(self, rate=72.0)
Start turning right. This function returns immediately.
    - rate: The angular rate (degrees/second)

def circle_right(self, radius_m, velocity=0.2, angle_degrees=360.0)
Go in circle, clockwise
    - radius_m: The radius of the circle (meters)
    - velocity: The velocity along the circle (meters/second)
    - angle_degrees: How far to go in the circle (degrees)

def start_circle_right(self, radius_m, velocity=0.2)
Start a circular motion to the right. This function returns
immediately
    - radius_m: The radius of the circle (meters)
    - velocity: The velocity of the motion (meters/second)
```