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clear;
clc;
close all
%Tyler and Ben
%Since genetic algorithm solvers do not use gradient based methods, finding
%the lagrange multipliers cannot be done. Therefore, we will use fmincon
%while starting from the point that we got from our evolutionary algorithms

x0 = [2.79; 0.8526; 4; 220.765; 611.3964]; % [alpha, d, NR, omega, C_batt]

lb = [1; 0.2; 3; 20; 100]; % Lower bounds
ub = [89; 3.0; 10; 400; 1000]; % Upper bounds

%fmincon Options
options = optimoptions('fmincon', ...
    'Display', 'iter', ...
    'Algorithm', 'interior-point', ...
    'SpecifyConstraintGradient', false, ...
    'SpecifyObjectiveGradient', false);

intcon = 3; % NR is integer

%
[x_opt, fval, exitflag, output, lambda] = fmincon(@objective_fun, x0, [], [], [], lb, ub, @nonlincon, options);

x_opt(intcon) = round(x_opt(intcon));

% === Display Results ===
fprintf('\nOptimal Design Variables:\n');
fprintf('Tilt Angle (deg): %.2f\n', x_opt(1));
fprintf('Prop Diameter (ft): %.2f\n', x_opt(2));
fprintf('Number of Rotors: %d\n', x_opt(3));
fprintf('Omega (Hz): %.2f\n', x_opt(4));
fprintf('Battery Capacity (Wh): %.2f\n', x_opt(5));

% === Display Lagrange Multipliers ===
fprintf('\nLagrange Multipliers:\n');
disp(lambda.ineqnonlin)
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## Objective Function 1

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function [f time noise] = objective_fun(x)

alpha = x(1); %Tilt Angle(0 degrees means angled straight up)
d = x(2); %Rotor Diameter (ft)
NR = x(3); %Number of rotors (Discrete variable)
omega = x(4); %Angular Velocity (hz)
C_batt = x(5); %Battery Capacity (Wh)
payload_weight = 14.4; %Assumes 3 pizzas and a 2 liter soda
Wbattery = 0.013 * C_batt; % battery weight per Wh
Wempty = 8; %Empty Weight of Drone
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A = 2.0; %Cross Sectional Area of Drone
L = 2.5; %Length of Drone
W = 2.5; %Width of Drone
g = 32.174; %Gravity
h = 200; %Operational Height, needs to clear trees
D = 10 * 5280; %Farthest possible range
rho = 0.00223582; %Blacksburg air density

Wprop = calc_prop_weight(d, NR); %Computes the weight of the prop
Cd = get_cd(d, omega); %Compute the coefficient of drag
Ct = get_ct(d, omega); %Computes the coefficient of thrust
[T_total, T_vertical, T_forward] = get_thrust(NR, Ct, rho, omega, d, alpha); %Gets thrust components
[motor_count, motor_weight] = motor_count_weight(NR, omega, T_total, d); %Determines the motors needed
W_total = get_total_weight(Wempty, payload_weight, Wbattery, Wprop + motor_weight); %Computes drones weight

spacing = get_spacing(NR, d, W, L); %Determines spacing between rotors(s)
T_vertical = account_for_coupling(T_vertical, spacing); %Vertical thrust reduction from coupling
T_forward = account_for_coupling(T_forward, spacing); %Horizontal thrust reduction from coupling
eta = calculate_efficiency(Ct, Cd); %Efficiency from momentum theory
[V_forward, V_up] = compute_velo(T_forward, Cd, rho, A, g, h, T_vertical, W_total); %Computes velocity components

alpha_climb = 0; %Alpha is zero for climb and descent
grav = 32.174;
[T_total_0] = get_thrust(NR, Ct, rho, omega, d, alpha_climb); %Thurst is computed for vertical segment
T_vertical_0 = account_for_coupling(T_total_0, spacing); %Vertical is accounted for coupling
T_forward_0 = 0;
[~, Vu_0] = compute_velo(T_forward_0, Cd, rho, A, grav, h, T_vertical_0, W_total); %Computes velocity for climb

time = (h / Vu_0) + (h / sqrt(2 * grav * h)) + (D / V_forward);

time = time / 365; %Normalize by time to deliver;
noise = 10*log10(NR*(pi*d*omega)^2)/65; %Normalize noise

w_noise = .3; %Weighting
w_time = .7; %Weighting

f = w_noise*noise + w_time*time; %normalized weighted objective function

end

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## Constraints

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function [g, ceq] = nonlincon(x)
alpha = x(1); %Tilt Angle(0 degrees means angled straight up)
d = x(2); %Rotor Diameter (ft)
NR = x(3); %Number of rotors (Discrete variable)
omega = x(4); %Angular Velocity (hz)
C_batt = x(5); %Battery Capacity (Wh)
payload_weight = 14.4; %Assumes 3 pizzas and a 2 liter soda
Wbattery = 0.013 * C_batt; % battery weight per Wh
Wempty = 8; %Empty Weight of Drone
A = 2.0; %Cross Sectional Area of Drone
L = 2.5; %Length of Drone
W = 2.5; %Width of Drone
grav = 32.174; %Gravity
h = 200; %Operational Height, needs to clear trees
D = 10 * 5280; %Farthest possible range

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Ct = get_ct(d, omega); %Computes the coefficient of thrust
[T_total, T_vertical, T_forward] = get_thrust(NR, Ct, rho, omega, d, alpha); %Gets thrust components
[motor_count, motor_weight] = motor_count_weight(NR, omega, T_total, d); %Determines the motors needed
W_total = get_total_weight(Wempty, payload_weight, Wbattery, Wprop + motor_weight); %Computes drones weight

spacing = get_spacing(NR, d, W, L); %Determines spacing between rotors
T_vertical = account_for_coupling(T_vertical, spacing); %Computes vertical thrust
T_forward = account_for_coupling(T_forward, spacing); %Computes forward thrust
eta = calculate_efficiency(Ct, Cd); %Computes efficiency from momentum theory
[V_forward, V_up] = compute_velo(T_forward, Cd, rho, A, grav, h, T_vertical, W_total); %Compute velocity components
[P_hover, P_forward] = compute_Power(T_vertical, rho, A, eta, T_forward, V_forward); %Compute Power
pow_req = compute_range_power(21 * 5280, V_forward, P_hover, P_forward); %Determine power required to complete mission
ts = get_tip_speed(d, omega); %Get Tip speed

alpha_climb = 0; %Alpha is zero for climb and descent
[T_total_0] = get_thrust(NR, Ct, rho, omega, d, alpha_climb); %Thrust is computed for vertical segment
T_vertical_0 = account_for_coupling(T_total_0, spacing); %Vertical is accounted for coupling
T_forward_0 = 0;
[~, Vu_0] = compute_velo(T_forward_0, Cd, rho, A, grav, h, T_vertical_0, W_total); %Computes velocity for climb

max_speed = 146.667;
g = zeros(6,1);
g(1) = (pow_req - C_batt)/C_batt; %Ensures there is enough power to complete entire mission
g(2) = (W_total - 55)/55; %FAA weight limit
g(3) = (V_forward - max_speed)/max_speed; %FAA speed limit constraint(Forward)
g(4) = (Vu_0 - max_speed)/max_speed; %FAA speed limit constraint(Vertical)
g(5) = ((ts / 1108.44) - 0.75)/0.75; %Avoid Transonic
g(6) = (W_total - T_vertical)/T_vertical; %Ensure that the aircraft will hover during dash

ceq = [];
end

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## Supporting Functions (Tyler)

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function Pow = compute_range_power(R, V_forward, P_hover, P_forward)
%Computes power needed to complete an entire mission
Pow = ((P_hover + P_forward) * R) / (3600 * V_forward);
end

function cd = get_cd(d, omega)
%Estimates the drag coefficient by interpolating through openProp results

d_vals = [0.2, 0.35, 0.5, 0.65, 0.8];
omega_vals = [20, 40, 60, 80, 100];
[D, W] = meshgrid(d_vals, omega_vals);
cd_vals = [0.008, 0.012, 0.017, 0.022, 0.027;
           0.012, 0.017, 0.023, 0.028, 0.034;
           0.017, 0.023, 0.030, 0.035, 0.042;
           0.021, 0.028, 0.035, 0.042, 0.048;
           0.025, 0.032, 0.040, 0.048, 0.055];
F = fit([D(:), W(:)], cd_vals(:, ), 'poly22');
cd = F(d, omega);
end

function ct = get_ct(d, omega)
%Estimates the thrust coefficient by interpolating through openProp results
d_vals = [0.2, 0.35, 0.5, 0.65, 0.8];

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omega_vals = [20, 40, 60, 80, 100];
[D, W] = meshgrid(d_vals, omega_vals);
ct_vals = [0.020, 0.030, 0.045, 0.060, 0.070;
    0.030, 0.045, 0.065, 0.080, 0.095;
    0.045, 0.065, 0.085, 0.105, 0.120;
    0.060, 0.080, 0.105, 0.125, 0.140;
    0.070, 0.095, 0.120, 0.140, 0.160]; %openprop vals
F = fit([D(:), W(:)], ct_vals(:), 'poly22'); %Interpolates values
ct = F(d, omega);
end

function Weight = get_total_weight(Wempty, Wpayload, Wbattery, Wprop)
%Calculates total weight of the drone
Weight = Wempty + Wpayload + Wbattery + Wprop;
end

function [T_total, vert_thrust, for_thrust] = get_thrust(Nr, Ct, rho, omega, d, alpha)
%Computes thrust components for the entire drone
T_total = Nr * Ct * rho * omega^2 * d^4;
vert_thrust = T_total * cosd(alpha);
for_thrust = T_total * sind(alpha);
end

function torque_per_rotor = compute_torque(T_total, d, NR)
%Computes torque per rotor
torque_total = T_total * d / (2 * pi);
torque_per_rotor = torque_total / NR;
end

function [motor_count, motor_weight] = motor_count_weight(NR, omega, T_total, d)
%Determines if another motor is needed if it cannot provide enough
%torque
torque_per_rotor = compute_torque(T_total, d, NR);
max_motor_torque = 0.8; % ft-lb per motor
motors_per_rotor = ceil(torque_per_rotor / max_motor_torque);
motor_count = (motors_per_rotor * NR)+NR;% Need to account for the motor to adjust the pitch

motor_weight = motor_count * 0.4;
end

function prop_weight = calc_prop_weight(d, NR)
%Calculates the weight of the propeller
density_plastic = 0.04; %lb/in^3
thickness = 0.25; %in
chord_width = 1.5; %in
radius_in = (d / 2) * 12;
blade_area = chord_width * radius_in;
blade_volume = blade_area * thickness;
weight_per_blade = blade_volume * density_plastic;
prop_weight = weight_per_blade * 2 * NR; %Two rotors per blade
end

function [v_forward, v_up] = compute_velo(T_horizontal, Cd, rho, A, g, h, T_vertical, W_total)
%Computes upward and forward velocities

v_forward = sqrt((2 * T_horizontal) / (Cd * rho * A));
if T_vertical > W_total
    v_up = sqrt(2 * g * h * (T_vertical / W_total - 1));
else
    v_up = 0;
end
end

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function spacing = get_spacing(Nr, d, W, L)
%Calculates the amount of spacing between rotors
n_rows = ceil(sqrt(Nr * W / L));
n_cols = ceil(Nr / n_rows);
spacing_L = L / n_cols;
spacing_W = W / n_rows;
spacing = min(spacing_L, spacing_W) - d;
end

function thrust_out = account_for_coupling(thrust_in, spacing)
%Estimates the effects of coupling if spacing is too small
if spacing <= 0
    loss = 0.5;
elseif spacing < 0.25
    loss = 0.1;
else
    loss = 0;
end
thrust_out = thrust_in * (1 - loss);
end

function [P_hover, P_forward] = compute_Power(T_vertical, rho, A, eta, T_horizontal, V_forward)
%Computes power in in both directions
motor_efficiency = 0.8;
mech_hover = (T_vertical^(3/2)) / (sqrt(2 * rho * A) * eta);
mech_forward = (T_horizontal * V_forward) / eta;
P_hover = mech_hover / motor_efficiency;
P_forward = mech_forward / motor_efficiency;
end

function eta = calculate_efficiency(ct, cd)
%Calculates efficiency from momentum theory
eta = (ct^(3/2)) / cd;
end

function ts = get_tip_speed(d, omega)
%Calculates tip speed
ts = pi * d * omega;
end

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Iter	F-count	f(x)	Feasibility	First-order optimality	Norm of step
0	7	1.128979e+00	9.302e-01	1.308e-01	
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
1	14	1.256304e+00	2.995e-01	8.002e-01	1.623e-01
2	20	1.085326e+00	0.000e+00	5.103e-01	1.850e+00
3	26	1.027560e+00	0.000e+00	1.016e-01	8.222e-01
4	32	1.011855e+00	0.000e+00	1.000e-01	2.191e-01
5	38	1.004590e+00	0.000e+00	2.826e-02	9.761e-02
6	44	9.915503e-01	0.000e+00	2.698e-02	1.568e-01
7	50	9.868780e-01	0.000e+00	7.638e-02	6.711e-02
8	56	9.859193e-01	0.000e+00	5.739e-03	9.625e-02
9	62	9.855524e-01	0.000e+00	2.866e-02	3.714e-02
10	68	9.854709e-01	0.000e+00	2.950e-02	2.241e-02
11	74	9.851361e-01	0.000e+00	4.030e-02	1.190e-01
12	80	9.490297e-01	9.075e-02	3.257e-01	5.941e-01
13	87	9.574096e-01	6.015e-02	2.140e-02	4.099e-01
14	93	9.683691e-01	1.538e-02	7.306e-02	4.175e-01
15	99	9.711841e-01	2.291e-02	8.269e-02	8.975e-02
16	105	9.791667e-01	0.000e+00	1.531e-03	5.849e-02
17	111	9.791755e-01	0.000e+00	2.329e-04	1.220e-02

18	117	9.788077e-01	0.000e+00	1.053e-02	3.076e-02
19	123	9.787016e-01	0.000e+00	1.008e-03	1.801e-02
20	129	9.787117e-01	0.000e+00	1.050e-04	2.821e-03
21	135	9.787115e-01	0.000e+00	8.400e-05	9.865e-05
22	141	9.787115e-01	0.000e+00	8.400e-05	4.787e-04
23	147	9.787113e-01	0.000e+00	8.401e-05	2.393e-03
24	153	9.787103e-01	0.000e+00	8.401e-05	1.197e-02
25	159	9.787052e-01	0.000e+00	8.401e-05	5.984e-02
26	165	9.786809e-01	0.000e+00	8.402e-05	2.992e-01
27	171	9.785820e-01	0.000e+00	1.206e-04	1.496e+00
28	177	9.786641e-01	0.000e+00	4.596e-03	7.485e+00
29	186	9.784754e-01	0.000e+00	5.880e-03	4.545e+00

Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...

30	196	9.778827e-01	0.000e+00	7.459e-04	3.573e+00
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Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...

Iter	F-count	f(x)	Feasibility	optimality	First-order Norm of step
31	204	9.777947e-01	0.000e+00	2.526e-03	4.546e+00
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
32	214	9.772767e-01	0.000e+00	1.219e-03	8.864e+00
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
33	223	9.772133e-01	0.000e+00	4.435e-03	4.546e+00
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
34	233	9.760736e-01	0.000e+00	1.145e-03	6.959e+00
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
35	242	9.759897e-01	0.000e+00	2.205e-03	3.541e+00
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
36	252	9.747726e-01	0.000e+00	7.229e-04	5.864e+00
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
37	264	9.747203e-01	0.000e+00	1.356e-03	7.984e+00
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
38	272	9.747092e-01	0.000e+00	6.972e-03	4.031e+00
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
39	285	9.733084e-01	0.000e+00	3.110e-04	5.229e-02
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
40	298	9.731603e-01	0.000e+00	1.975e-04	1.297e-01
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
41	312	9.731202e-01	0.000e+00	1.731e-04	7.582e-02
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
42	326	9.731043e-01	0.000e+00	1.642e-04	3.728e-02
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
43	341	9.731009e-01	0.000e+00	1.624e-04	8.535e-03
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
44	356	9.731002e-01	0.000e+00	1.620e-04	1.885e-03
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
45	372	9.731001e-01	0.000e+00	1.620e-04	2.066e-04
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
46	387	9.731001e-01	0.000e+00	1.620e-04	4.520e-05
Objective function returned Inf; trying a new point...					
47	402	9.731001e-01	0.000e+00	1.165e-03	9.887e-06

Local minimum found that satisfies the constraints.

Optimization completed because the objective function is non-decreasing in feasible directions, to within the value of the optimality tolerance, and constraints are satisfied to within the value of the constraint tolerance.

Optimal Design Variables:

Tilt Angle (deg): 5.67

Prop Diameter (ft): 1.00

Number of Rotors: 3

Omega (Hz): 157.55  
Battery Capacity (Wh): 622.40

Lagrange Multipliers:

0.0728  
0.0001  
0.7271  
0.0001  
0.0001  
0.0001

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