

Component	Functional Purpose	Failure Mode*	Failure Effect	Failure Cause	Current Situation			Assigned Action	Improved Situation					
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RC Reciver	Communicate Manual Commands from the RC Transmitter to F4	Hardware Failure*	Mission Failure Aircraft Loiters	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	8	1	7	56	Extensive testing prior to use**	8	1	7	56	
		Transmits incorrect data	Crash	Internal Code	9	1	10	90		9	1	10	90	
		Loss of Connection	Mission Failure Aircraft Loiters	Interference	8	4	9	288		FFCL*** range test	8	4	3	96
RC Transmitter	Communicate Commands from the RC Pilot to the RC Reciver	Hardware Failure	Mission Failure Aircraft Loiters	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	8	2	7	112	FFCL	8	2	3	48	
		Transmits incorrect data	Crash	Settings Incorrect	9	2	6	108	FFCL	9	1	4	36	
		Loss of Connection	Mission Failure Aircraft Loiters	Settings Incorrect	8	6	8	384	FFCL	8	4	3	96	
				Interference	8	4	9	288	FFCL	8	4	3	96	
WIFI antenna	Allow communication with groundstation over ROS network	Hardware Failure	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	8	6	3	144	FFCL	8	4	2	64	
		Loss of Connection	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Antenna Incorrectly Pointed	6	1	7	42		6	1	7	42	
Odroid	Run ROS, generate high level commands, process images, & estimate state	Hardware Failure	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	6	2	7	84	Assign someone to point antenna	6	3	3	54	
		Software Failure	Crash	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	9	1	7	63		6	2	7	84	
F4 Flight Computer & Mount	Turn high level (Odroid & RC) commands into low level servo commands	Hardware Failure	Crash	Internal Code	9	3	6	162	Extensive testing prior to use	9	1	3	27	
		Hardware Failure	Crash	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	9	3	7	189	Extensive testing prior to use	9	3	3	81	
		Software Failure	Flight Less Smooth	Internal Code	4	1	10	40		4	1	10	40	
Airspeed Sensor	Measure Va	Inaccurate Readings	Flight Less Smooth	Plugged Pito Tube	4	4	5	80	Extensive testing prior to use	4	4	5	80	
				High Angle of Attack	4	4	2	32		4	4	2	32	
		Hardware Failure	Flight Less Smooth	Incorrect Mounting	4	2	2	16	Extensive testing prior to use	4	2	2	16	
				Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	4	1	7	28		4	1	7	28	
Inertial Sense	Measure acceleration, barometer data, and magnetic heading	Software Failure	Crash	Internal Code	9	1	10	90	Extensive testing prior to use	9	1	3	27	
		Inaccurate Readings	Crash	Interference	9	3	8	216	Extensive testing prior to use	9	3	3	81	
		Hardware Failure	Crash	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	9	1	7	63	Extensive testing prior to use	9	1	3	27	
		Software Failure	Crash	Internal Code	9	3	10	270	Extensive testing prior to use	9	3	3	81	
GPS	Measure global position	Inaccurate Readings	Crash	Interference	9	4	5	180	FFCL	9	4	4	144	
		Hardware Failure	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	6	1	7	42		6	1	7	42	
Battery	Provide current to all systems in the air	Loss of Power	Crash	Battery Not Charged Correctly	9	5	3	135	FFCL	9	5	2	90	
				Chemical Misshap	10	2	3	60	Assign battery safety officer	10	1	2	20	
ESCs	BEC and convert digital logic PWM to high voltage/current motor inputs	Hardware Failure	Crash	Battery Degradation	9	1	1	9	FFCL	9	1	1	9	
				Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	9	1	7	63	Extensive testing prior to use	9	1	3	27	
Motors	Rotate Props	Overheat	Fire and Crash	Overstressing the Motors	10	3	5	150	Add warning to FFCL	10	2	5	100	
		Does Not Transmit Torque	Mission Failure Glide to Safe Landing	Props Unsecured	7	8	3	168	FFCL	7	5	2	70	
		Rotates the Wrong Way	Mission Does Not Start	Wires Connected Backwards	6	3	2	36	FFCL	6	1	2	12	
		Hardware Failure	Mission Failure Glide to Safe Landing	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	7	1	7	49		7	1	7	49	
Props	Provide Thrust	Does Not Provide Thrust	Mission Failure Glide to Safe Landing	Chipped/broken prop	7	5	3	105		7	5	3	105	
Wiring	Transmit power and signals	Provides Electricity to Incorrect Location	Crash	Wires Connected to Incorrect Ports	9	7	8	504	FFCL	9	3	3	81	
		Does Not Transmit Electricity	Crash	Electrical Short Circuit	9	3	8	216	Shrink wrap all exposed wires	9	1	8	72	
		Linkage Breaks	Crash	Electrical Open Circuit	9	8	5	360	FFCL	9	8	1	72	
				Poorly Assembled	9	2	7	126	Extensive testing prior to use	9	2	5	90	
Servos	Move control surfaces	Mechanical Limits Exceeded	Crash	Large Control Inputs at High Velocity	9	1	3	27	Train safety pilot	9	1	3	27	
				Aerobatic Flight Saturates Controller	9	5	8	360	Train safety pilot	9	1	4	36	
		Poorly Assembled	Crash	Poorly Assembled	9	6	4	216	Extensive testing prior to use	9	2	4	72	
		Software Failure	Crash	Internal Code	9	1	10	90	Extensive testing prior to use	9	1	3	27	
		Hardware Failure	Crash	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	9	1	7	63	Extensive testing prior to use	9	1	3	27	
		Internal Mechanics Broken	Crash	Overuse	9	2	5	90	Extensive testing prior to use	9	2	5	90	
Servo Burns Out	Crash	Overuse	9	2	5	90		9	2	5	90			
UGV System	Deliver water bottle to both ground locations	See UGV Documentation for UGV FMEA												
Imaging System	Capture, interpretate, and report ground targets	See Imaging Documentation for Imaging FMEA												
Control Software	Pilot aircraft autonomously	See Control Documentation for Control FMEA												
Communication Software	Allow communication of all components	See Communication Documentation for Communication FMEA												
Airframe Body	Contain components, provide lift, provide stability, & respond to control inputs	Flight Characteristics Change	Crash	Icing	9	2	1	18	Only fly in good weather	9	1	1	9	
		Parts Break Off	Crash	Components Move	9	5	5	225	Strap down all components	9	3	3	81	
				Flight Envelop Exceeded	9	2	3	54	Train safety pilot	9	2	2	36	
				Poor Manufacturing	9	6	7	378	Extensive testing prior to use	9	6	2	108	
				Part poorly attached	9	2	7	126	FFCL	9	2	3	54	
Ground stations	Transmit high level commands between operators and WIFI router	Battery Dies	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Unidentified Flying Object (UFO) Impact	9	1	3	27	Train safety pilot	9	1	3	27	
				Charger Not Connected	6	1	1	6	Extensive testing prior to use	6	1	1	6	
				Hardware Failure	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	6	1		7	42	6	1	7
		Software Failure	Crash	Bug in Code	9	7	10	630		9	4	3	108	
WIFI Router	Transmit data over ROS network between groundstations to light beam	Loss of Connection	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Interference	6	2	7	84	Perform BPS range test	6	2	7	84	
		Hardware Failure	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	6	1	7	42		6	1	7	42	
		Software Failure	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Internal Code	6	1	10	60		6	1	10	60	
WIFI Light Beam	Transmit data over ROS network between WIFI router and the WIFI antenna on the aircraft	Loss of Connection	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Interference	6	8	7	336	Extensive testing prior to use	6	5	7	210	
		Hardware Failure	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Poorly Connected Electrical Joint	6	1	7	42		6	1	7	42	
		Software Failure	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Internal Code	6	1	10	60		6	1	10	60	
Ground Power Source	Provide current to all ground systems	Not Brought with Us	Mission Does Not Start	Poor Planning	4	8	4	128	FFCL	4	4	4	64	
		Mechanical Failure	Mission Failure Manual Landing	Poor Manufacturing	6	1	7	42		6	1	7	42	
Human Operators	Give high level commands & ensure safety of flight	Sick	Mission Does Not Start	Bacteria or Viruses	5	4	3	60	Extensive practice	5	4	3	60	
		Can Not Attend	Mission Does Not Start	Other Plans	5	1	1	5		5	1	1	5	
		Sends Incorrect Commands	Crash	Poor Judgement	9	2	9	162		Extensive practice	9	1	9	81
				Poor Understanding of System	9	2	5	90			9	1	5	45
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We currently perform flight tests a couple times a week.

RPN: Risk Priority number (S*L*D)