

UAM Team Project : Conceptual Design of Cargo eVTOL

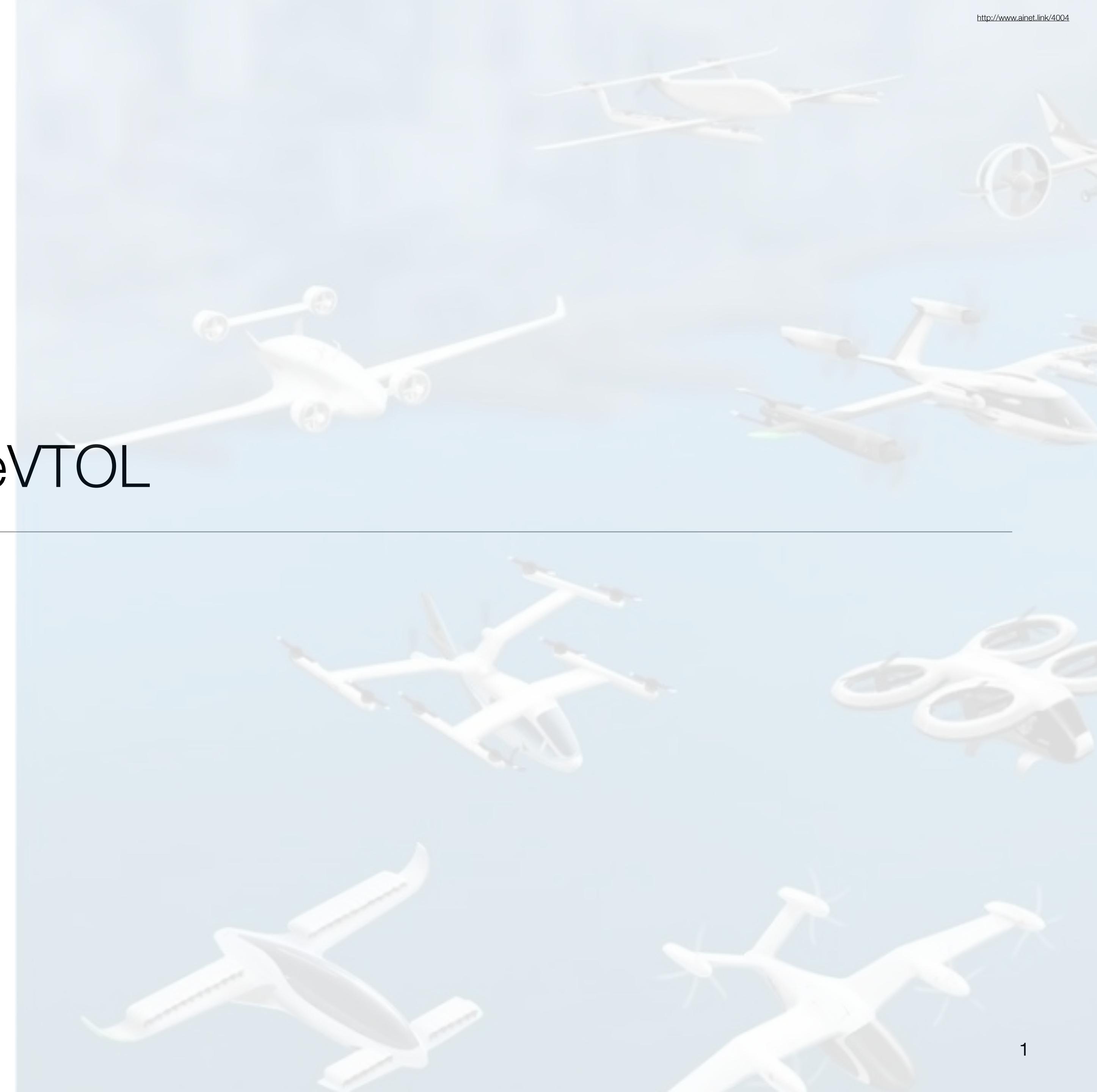
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Motivation



Motivation

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Urban Air Mobility

eVTOL/Urban Air Mobility TAM Update: A Slow Take-Off, But Sky's the Limit

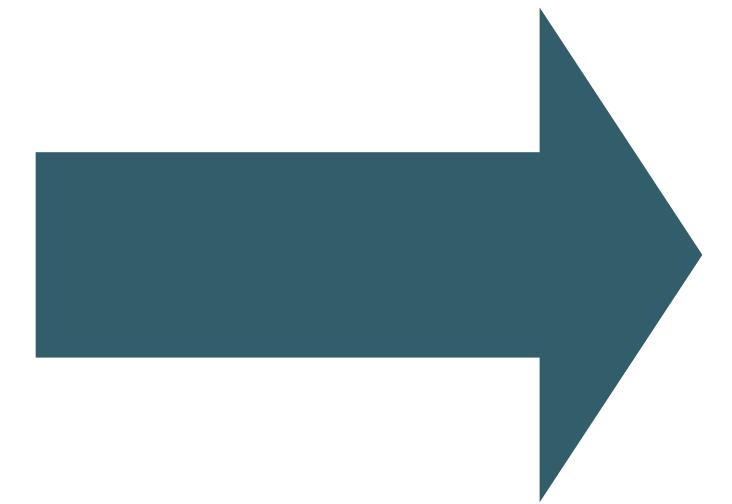
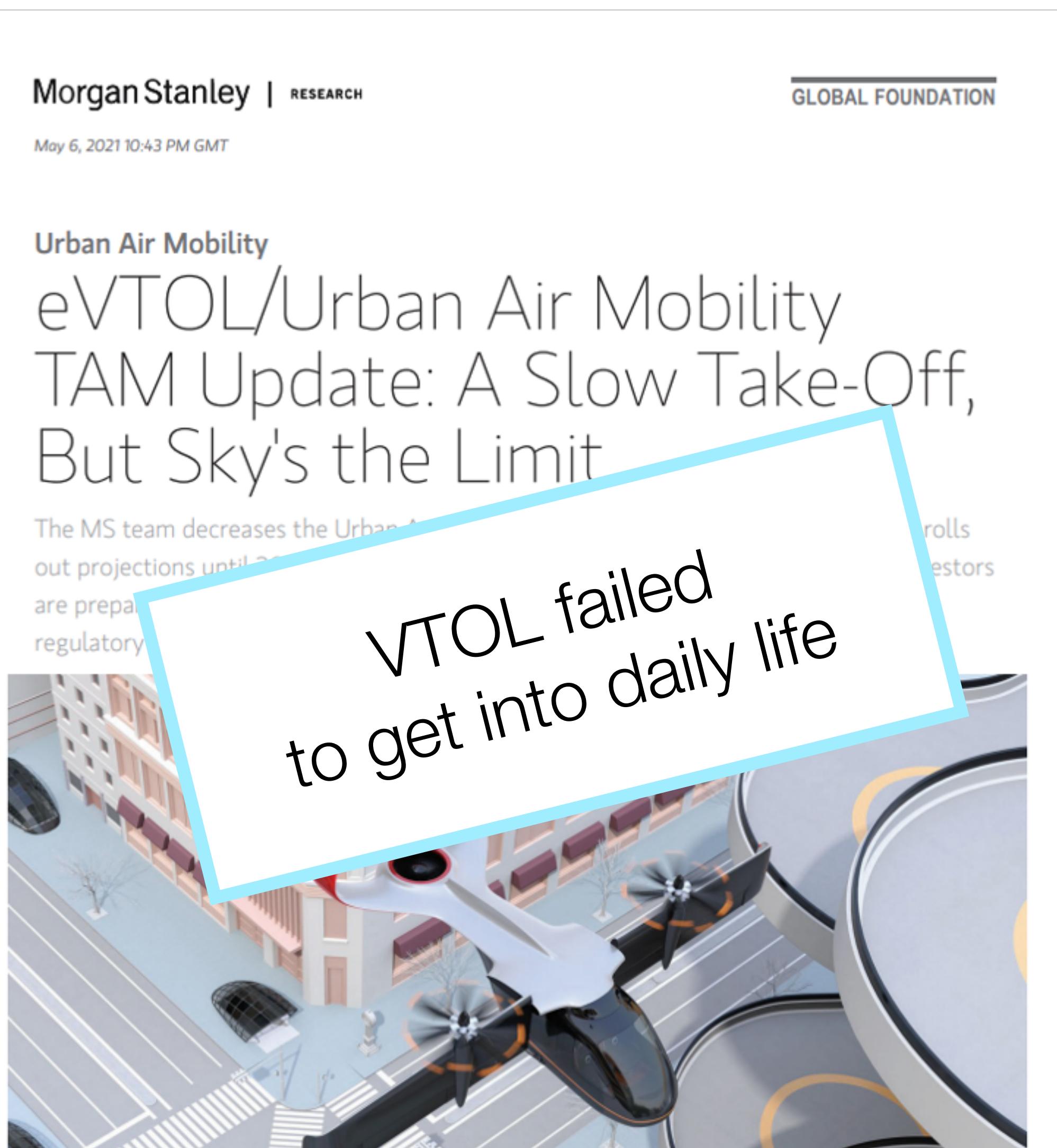
The MS team decreases the Urban Air Mobility TAM projection by 20% due to regulatory challenges. The team is preparing for a slow take-off.

rolls out projections until 2025

estors

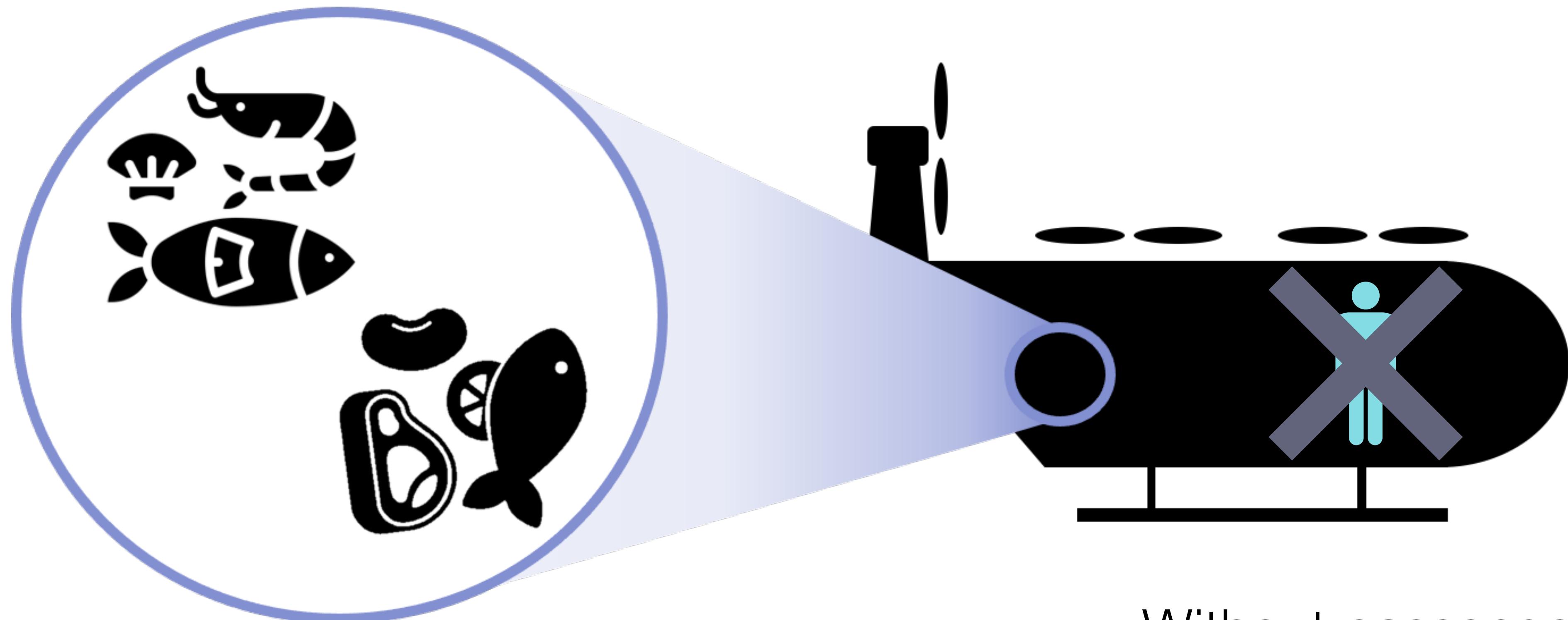
regulatory

VTOL failed to get into daily life



Reliability

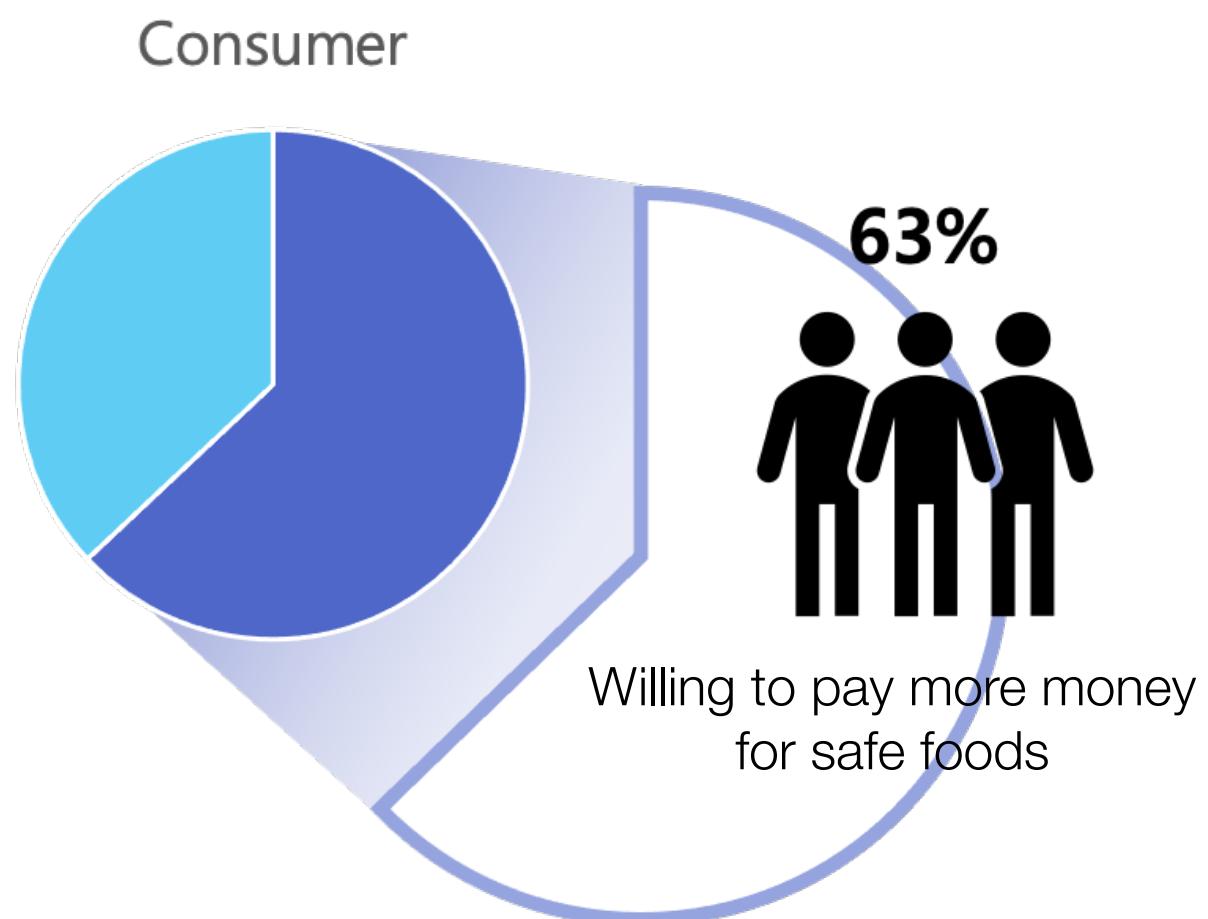
Motivation



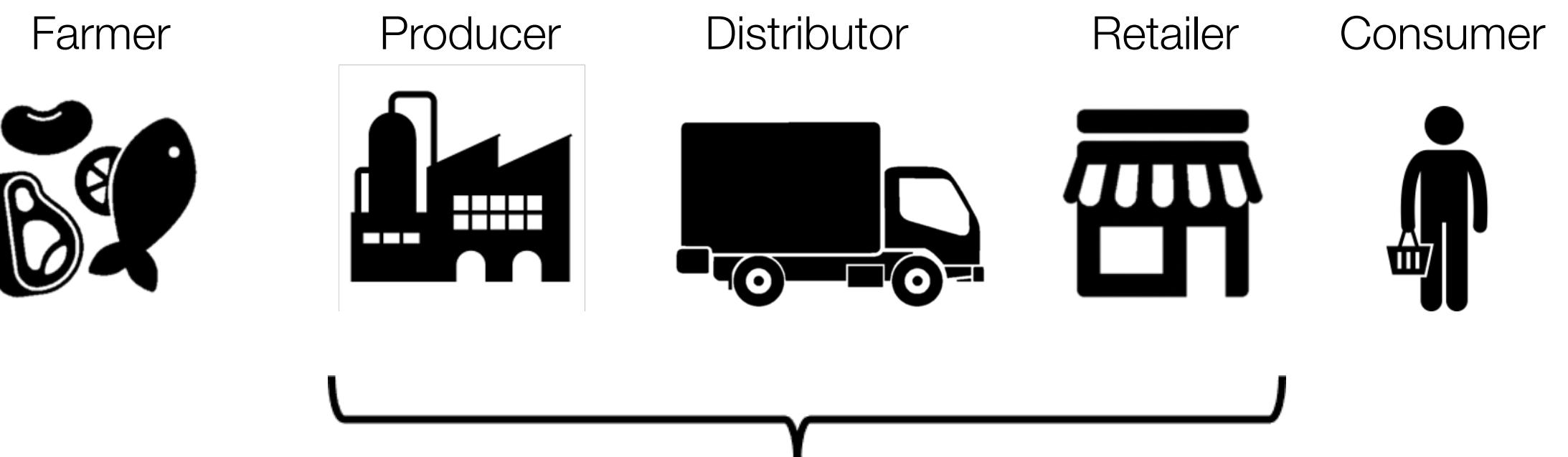
Without passengers -> Less risky

Market Needs

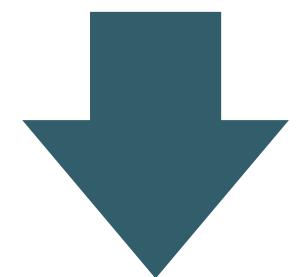
- Consumer



- Government



Over 50% of the retail price



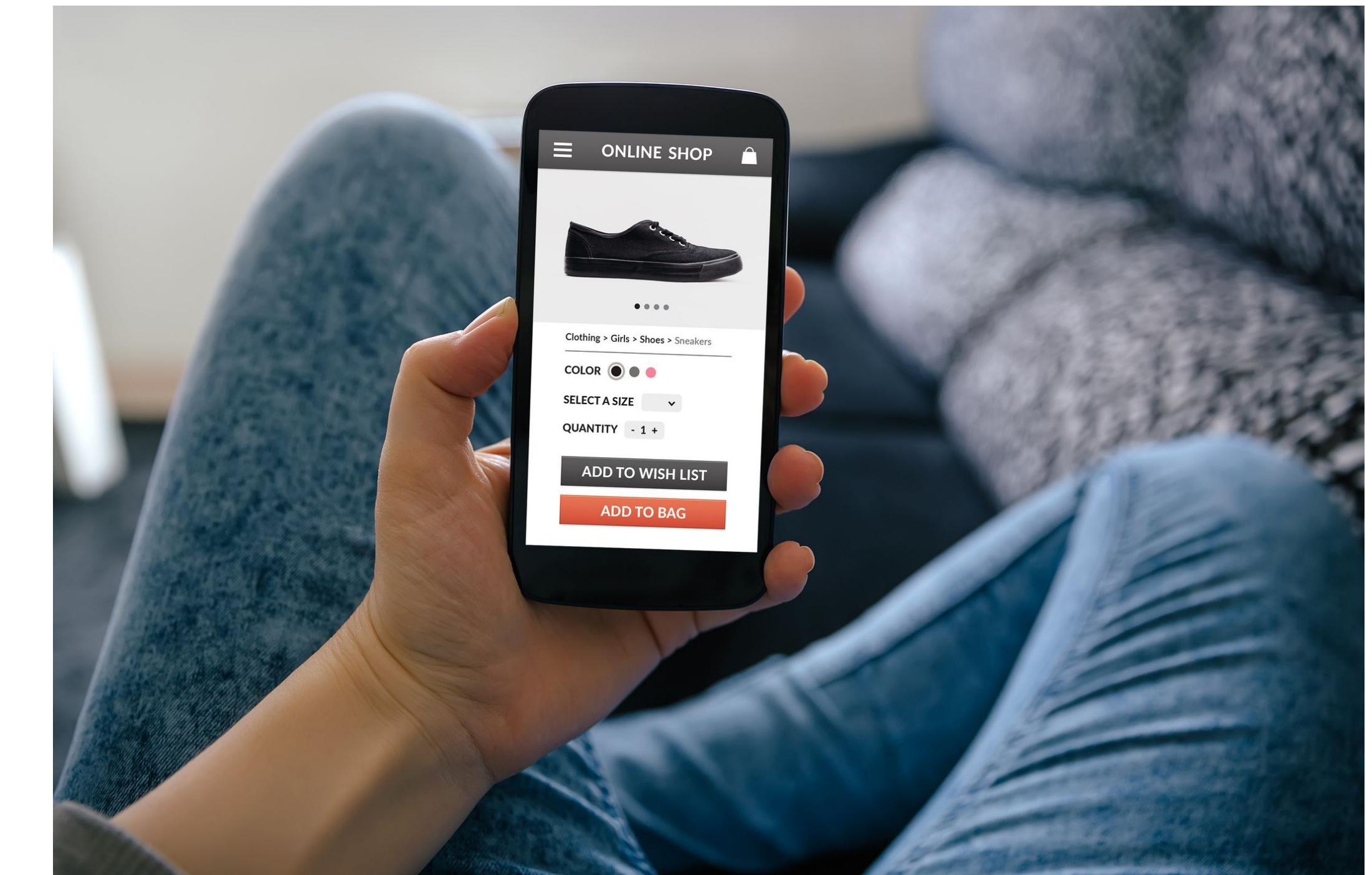
**Consistently try to improve
marine products distribution system**

Environment

- Housing
- Technology



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Summary

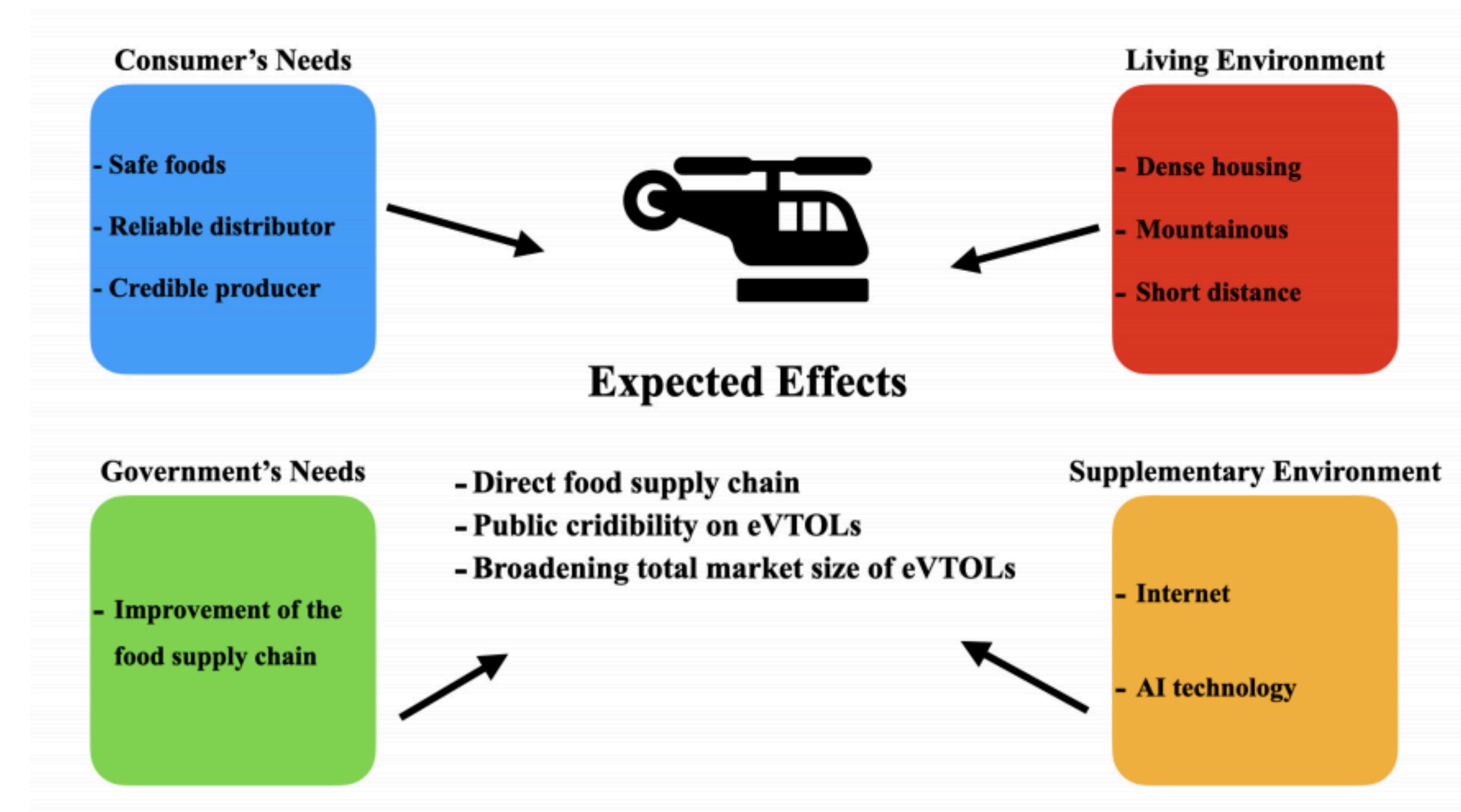
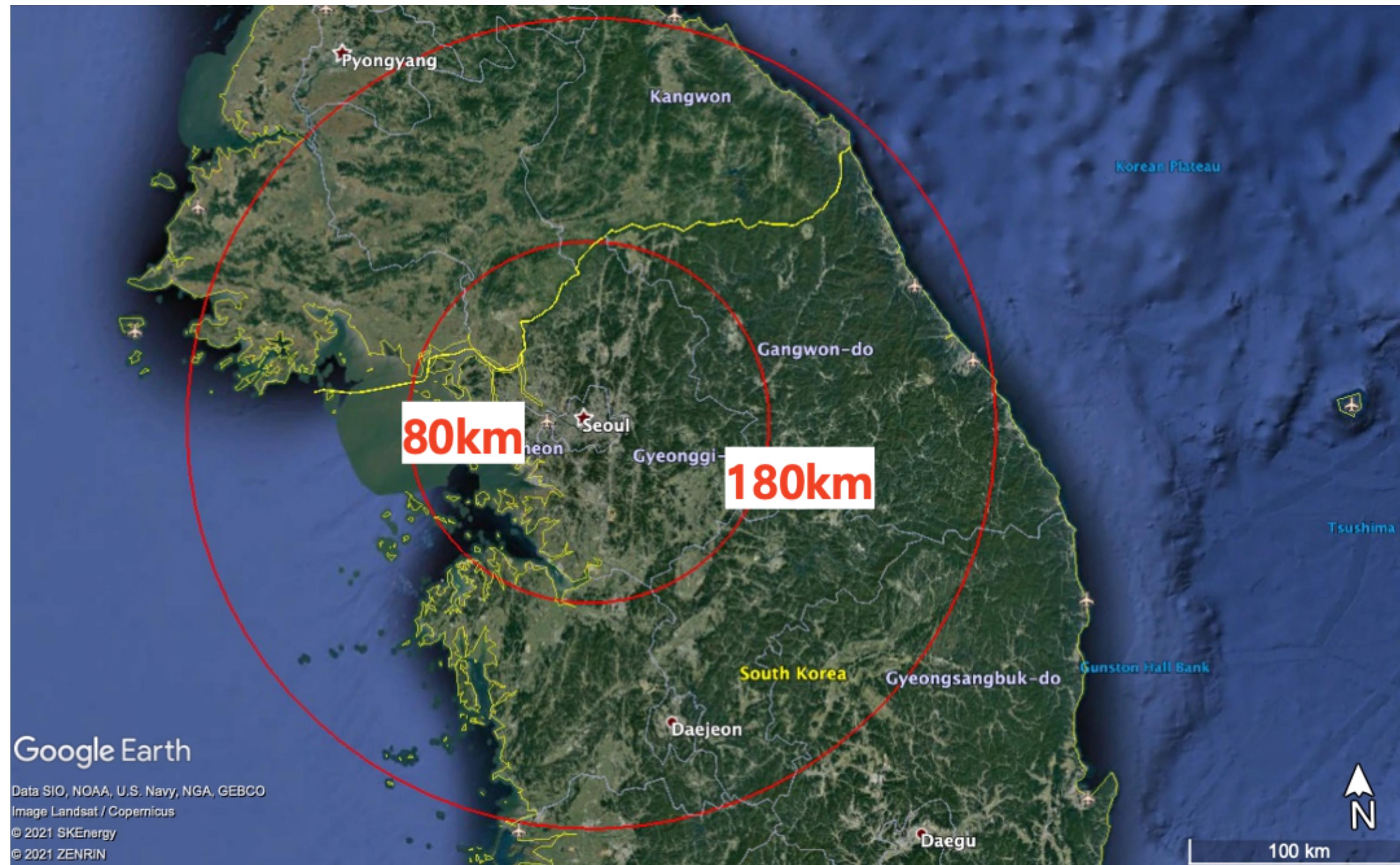


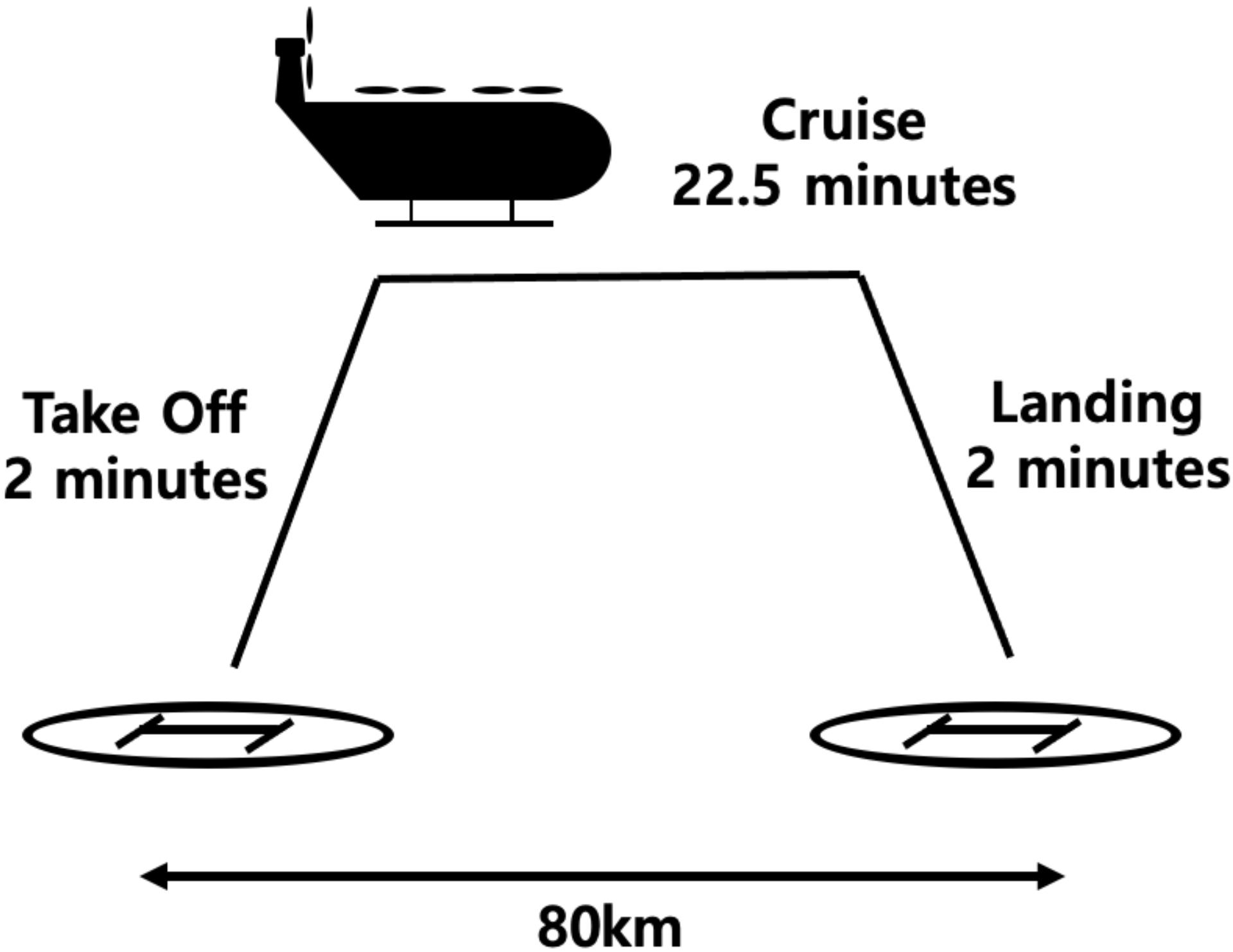
Fig. 2 Overall Motivation

Mission Profile

Mission Profile



Mission Profile



- Total Gross Weight < 3000kg
- Tip Speed < 0.49M
- Battery : 5C, 200Wh/kg
- Payload : 500kg
- Range > 80km
- Cost < \$9/kg (= \$30 * 0.3)

Aircraft Sizing

Wing

- The higher wing aspect ratio, the higher maximum lift to drag ratio
- Cruise speed at maximum lift to drag ratio can be calculated from the given AR , S_{ref}

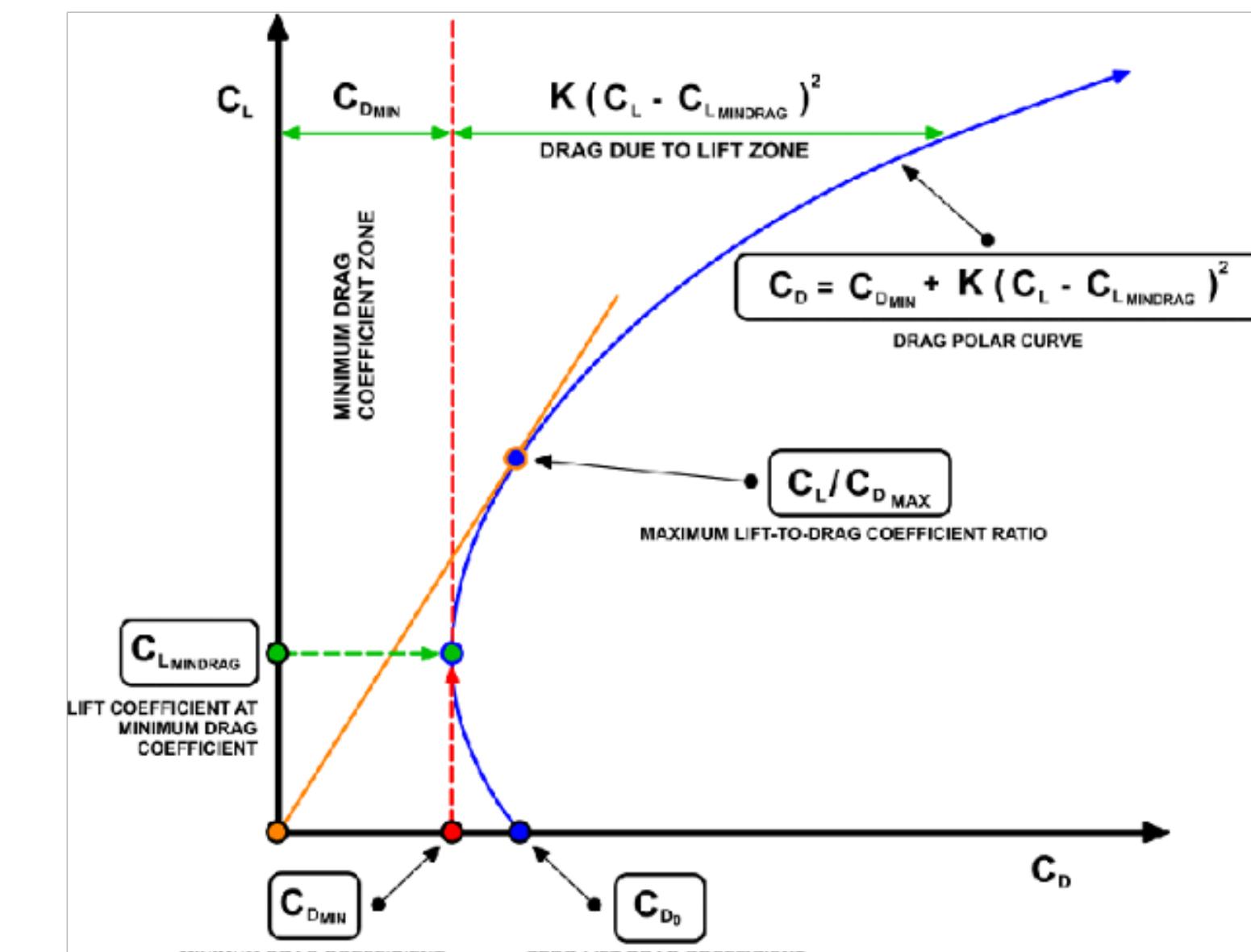
e: Oswald span efficiency

$$C_D = C_{D_0} + \frac{C_L^2}{\pi e AR}$$

$$\cdot W = \frac{1}{2} \rho_{air} V_{cruise}^2 S_{ref} C_L$$

C_L at maximum lift to drag is determined by the given AR

$$(L/D)_{max} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi e AR}{C_{D_0}}}$$



Battery

- How much power do eVTOL need?
- We connected 800V batteries to each rotor and 120V battery to the refrigerator.
- We also designed the battery by checking whether discharging C rate exceeds 5C

$$P_{hover} = \frac{(W_{gross}g)^{1.5}}{M} \sqrt{\frac{DL}{2\rho_{air}W_{gross}}} = 563.5kW$$

$$P_{cruise} = \frac{W_{gross}gV_c}{LD \times M} = 101.68kW$$

$$P_{AC} = 0.26kW$$

of rotors

12

2

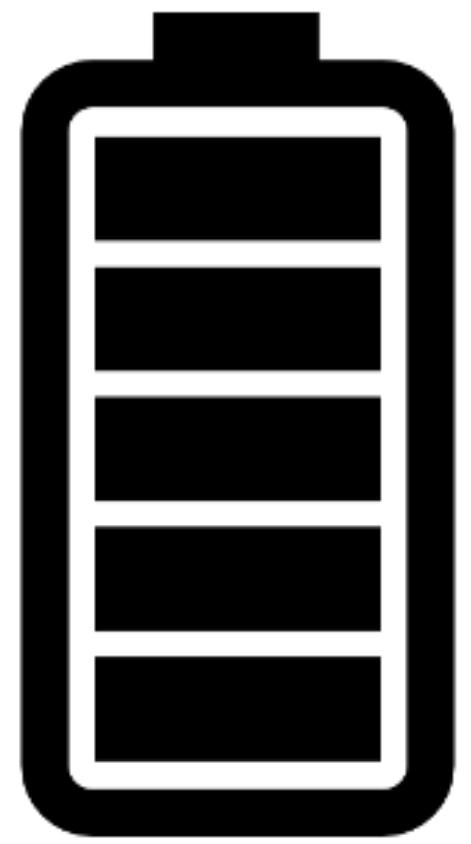
Discharging C rate

4.66C

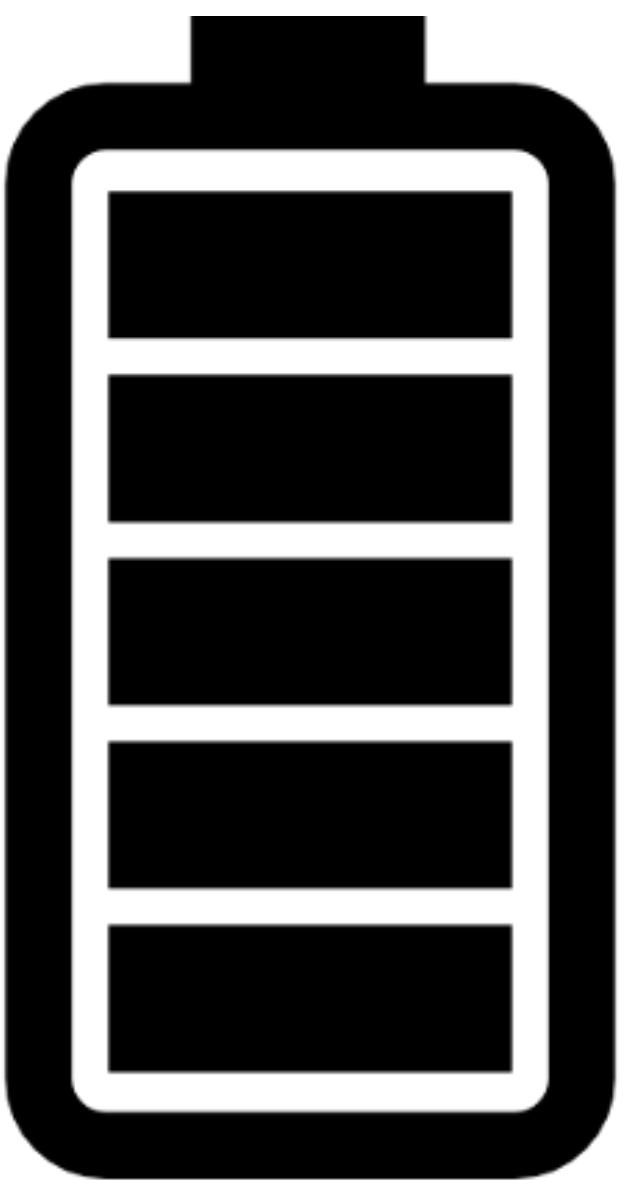
0.93C

2.2C

Battery



x 12



x 2



Each Lift Rotor

**9.6kWh, 800V
200S12P**

Each Cruise Rotor

**54.4kWh, 800V
200S68P**

Refrigerator

**54.4kWh, 800V
200S68P**

Rotor

$$P_{lift} = \frac{(T_{VTOL})^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2\rho_{air}S_{Disk}}} \frac{1}{M}$$

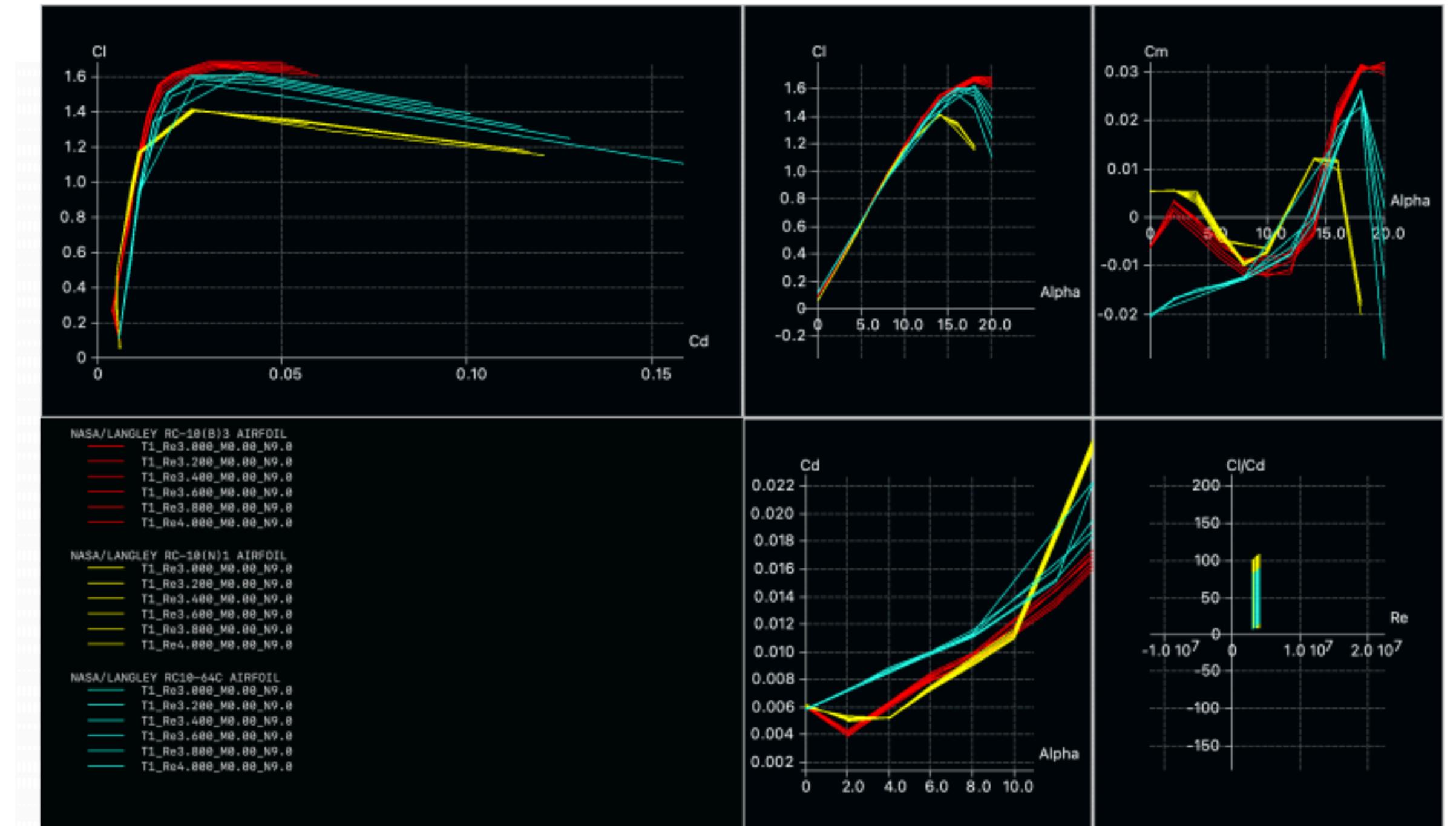
- Gross Weight = 3000kg
- Disk Loading = 12lb/ft²
- # of lift rotors : 12
- # of cruise rotors : 2
- L/D : 20

$$P_{cruise} = \frac{W_{gross}g}{LD} V$$

$$R_{lift} = \sqrt{\frac{W_{gross}}{DL\pi N}}$$

Rotor

- Solidity = 0.3 (typical to lift + cruise)
- # of blades : 5
- Tip speed ~ 0.49M
- $Re = 3e6 \sim 4e6$
- NASA/Langley RC-10 series



- **Get a, δ by CFD(characteristic of the airfoil of the blades)**

$$C_T = \frac{\delta}{4} a(\theta_t - \phi_t)$$

$$C_P = C_Q = \frac{\delta\sigma}{8} + \frac{C_T^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

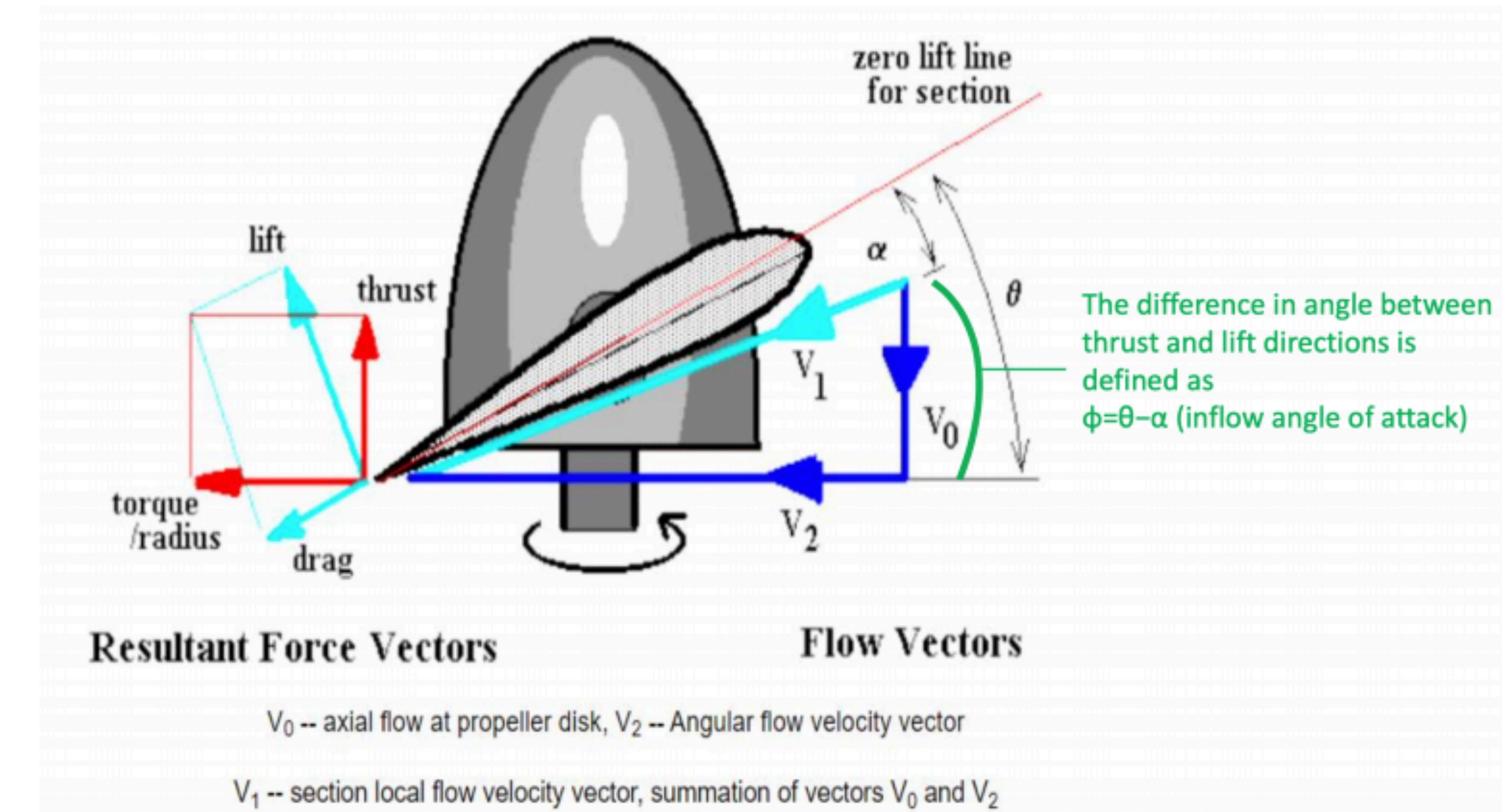
$$T = C_T \pi R^2 \rho_{air} (\Omega R)^2$$

$$P = C_P \pi R^2 \rho_{air} (\Omega R)^3$$

$$M = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{C_T^{3/2}}{C_Q}$$

Rotor

- $V_{0,speed=0} = \sqrt{\frac{T}{2\rho_{air}\pi R^2}}$
- $V_{0,speed=V} = \frac{V}{2}(1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{2T}{\rho_{air}\pi R^2 V^2}})$



Weight Estimation

Weight of each component is estimated by using empirical correlation estimation

- $W_{wing} = 0.0467 W_{gross}^{0.347} S_{ref}^{0.36} N_{ult}^{0.397} AR^{1.712}$
- $W_{empennage} = 0.72 S_h^{1.2} AR_h^{0.32} + 1.05 * S_v^{0.94} AR_v^{0.53}$
- $W_{fuselage} = 6.9(W_{gross}/1000)^{0.49} L_f^{0.61} S_{wet}^{0.25} \eta_{light}$
- $W_{flightcontrol} = 11.5(W_{gross}/1000)^{0.4}$
- $W_{avionics} = 0.0268 W_{gross}$
- $W_{antiicing} = 8(W_{gross}/1000)$
- $W_{furnishing} = W_{landing\ gear} = 0$ (*assumption*)
- $W_{rotor} = 1.763 T_{rotor}^{2.00} \times 10^{-5}$
- $W_{motor} = 0.3225 \tau_c^{0.7476} N_c + 0.3225 \tau_l^{0.7476} N_l$
- $W_{motorcontrol} = 2.20462(49.9/398 * (P_c - 2) + 0.1)N_c + 2.20462(49.9/398 * (P_l - 2) + 0.1)N_l$

-> The weights of the rotor related components are function of
motor power, torque or rotor diameter

$$W_{battery} = \frac{E_{total}}{BC \times BED}$$

-> The weights of most components are function of gross weight

Weight Estimation

1) Set design variable

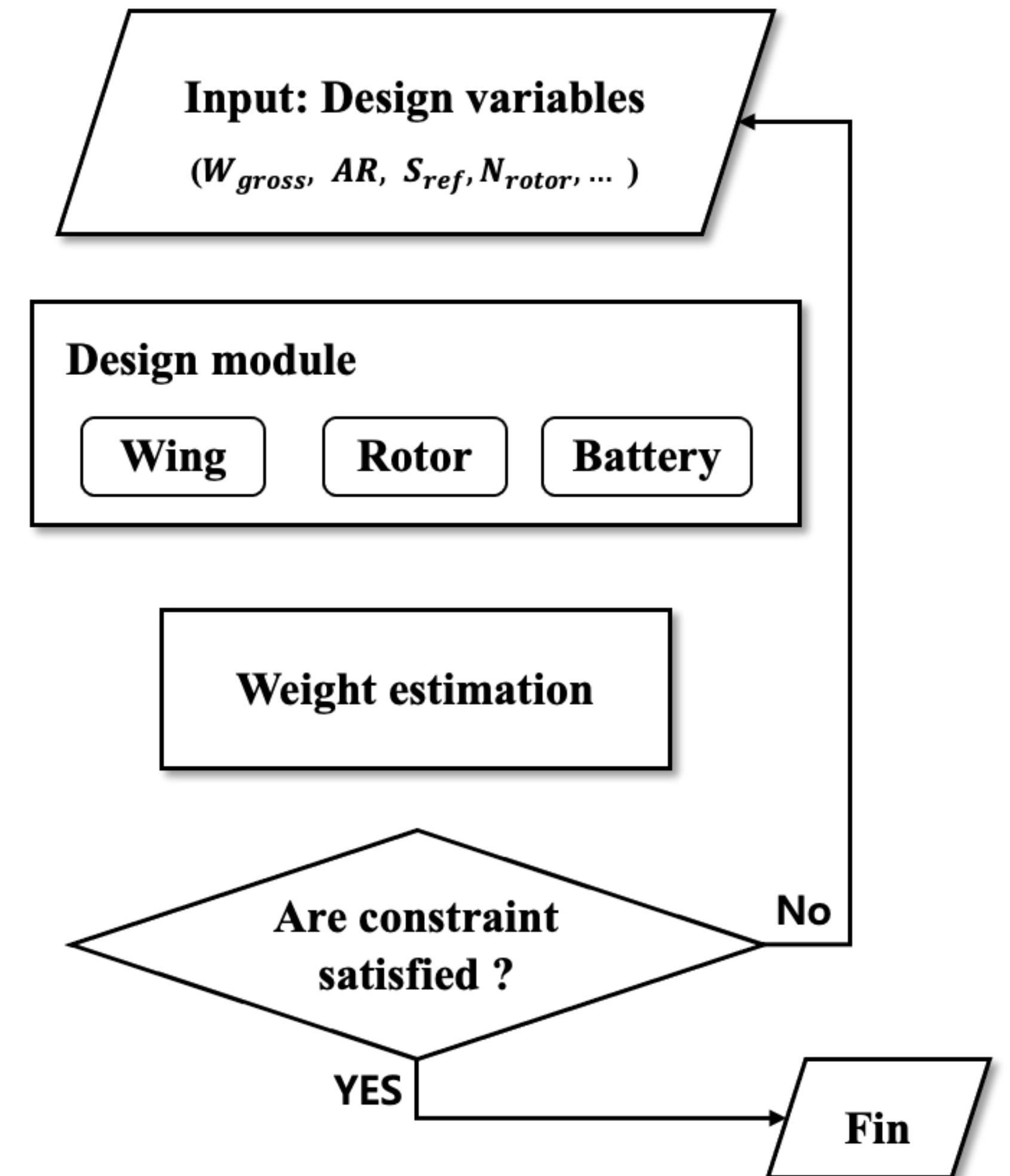
- Aspect ratio, reference area, the number of the rotors, disk loading, fuselage length, etc.

2) Detail specs are calculated from the design module

- Optimal crusing speed, rotor diameter, power and torque of the motors, etc.

3) Estimate the weight of each components

4) Repeat 1) to 3) till constraints are satisfied



Weight Estimation

- **Aspect ratio** and **reference area** were regarded as the major design variables
- The domains satisfying specific constraints are plotted
- The design point was selected from the intersection of the domains

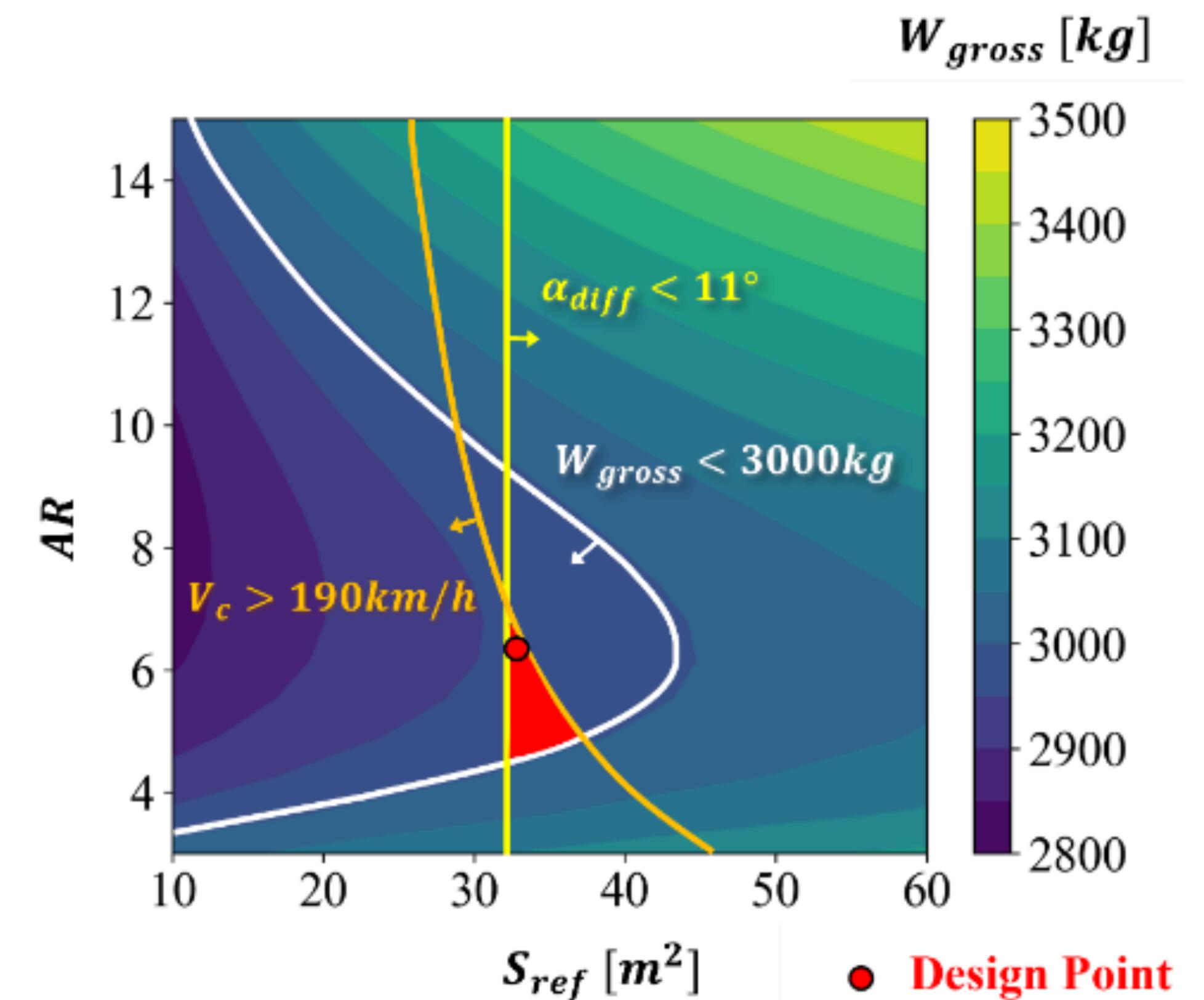


Fig. 6 Design Results of cargo eVTOL

Weight Estimation

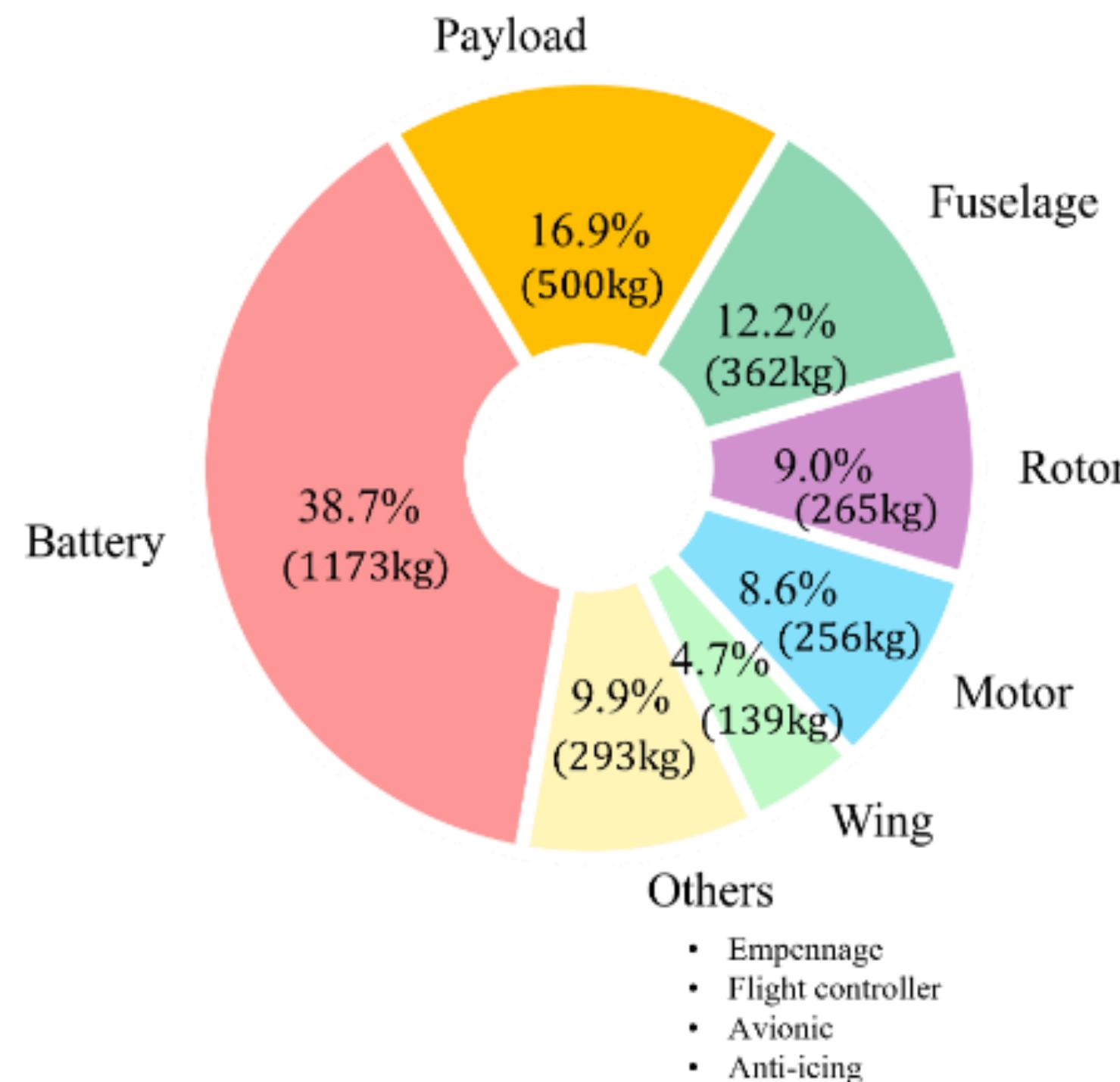


Fig. 7 Estimated mass fraction of each aircraft components

Components	Weight [kg]	Components	Weight [kg]
Wing	138.9	Fuselage	361.6
<i>Main spar</i>	60.2	<i>Main tube frame</i>	188.9
<i>In-plane truss</i>	9.7	<i>Attachments and fittings</i>	11.2
<i>Attachments and fittings</i>	6.8	<i>Wires</i>	7.5
<i>Ribs</i>	17.6	<i>Fuselage fairing</i>	74.6
<i>Leading-edge-sheeting</i>	26.2	<i>Drive system</i>	79.5
<i>Trailing edge</i>	5.9	<i>Landing gear</i>	0
<i>Covering</i>	4.7	<i>Furnishing</i>	0
<i>Bat tip</i>	8.1		
Motor	253	Rotor	265
<i>Stator core</i>	110.7	<i>Main spar</i>	120.5
<i>Rotor core</i>	69.0	<i>Leading-edge-sheeting</i>	72.3
<i>Permanent magnet</i>	22.1	<i>Trailing edge</i>	67.5
<i>Shaft</i>	12.1	<i>Others</i>	4.8
<i>Windlings</i>	39.0		
Empennage	11.3	Refrigeration system	100
<i>Horizontal tail</i>	0	<i>Compressor</i>	54
<i>Vertical tail</i>	11.3	<i>Structural frame</i>	32
		<i>Insulating materials</i>	14
Battery	1173	Motor Controller	65.1
<i>BMS (cruise)</i>	119.3	Flight controller	11.1
<i>Battery Cell (cruise)</i>	477.1	Anti-icing	24
<i>Battery Pack (cruise)</i>	596.4	Avionics	80.4
<i>BMS (lift)</i>	126.3	Payload	500
<i>Battery Cell (lift)</i>	505.2	Gross weight	2984
<i>Battery Pack (lift)</i>	631.5		

Table 1 Weight breakdown list

Sizing Results

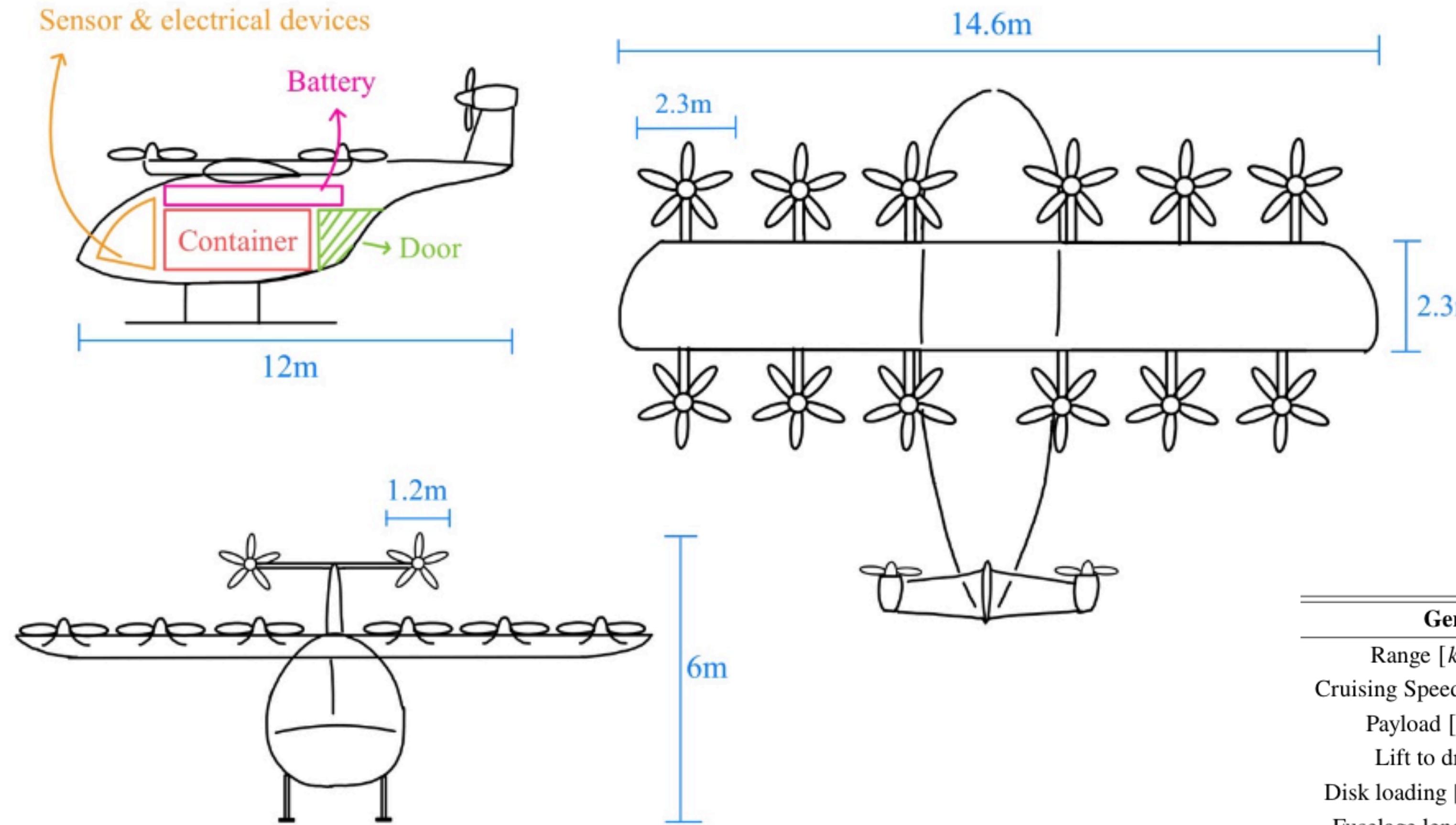


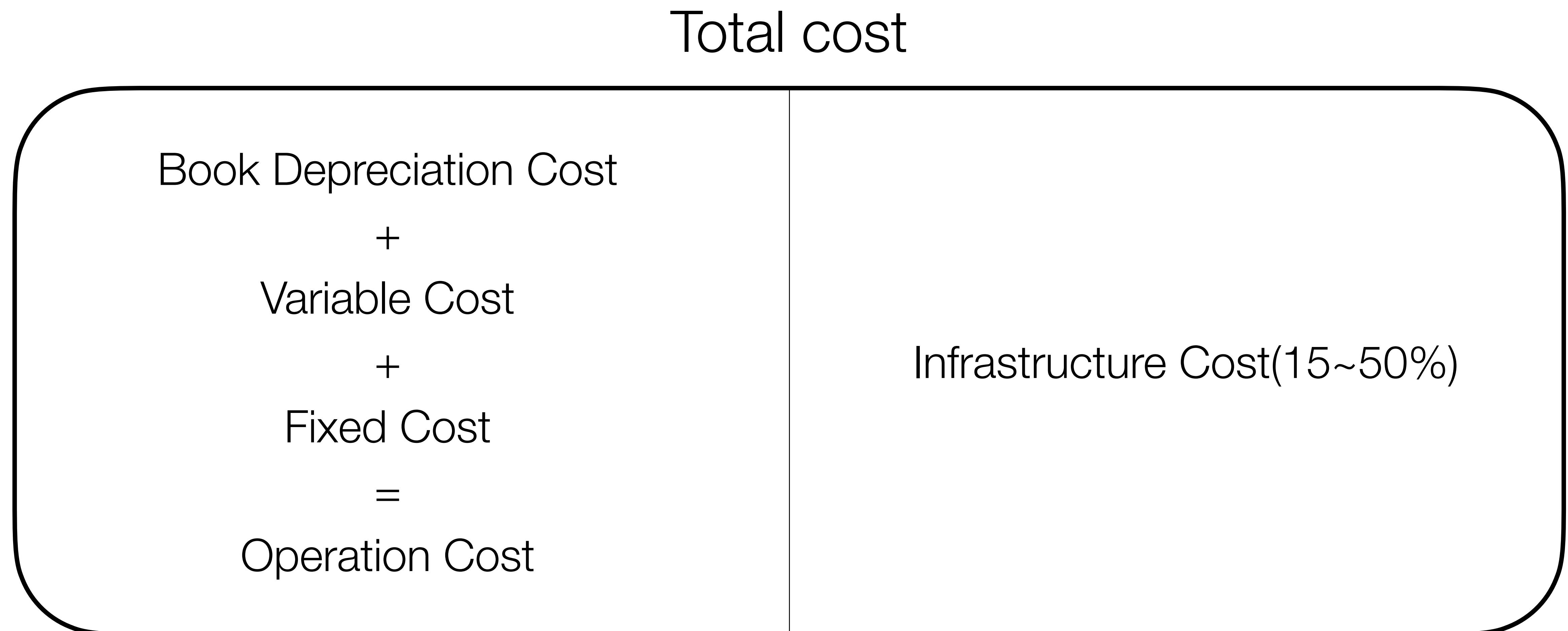
Fig. 8 Three-view drawing of designed eVTOL

Table 1 Sizing Results of Cargo eVTOL

General	Wing	Rotor	(lift)	(cruise)
Range [km]	Span [m]	14.6	# of rotor	12 2
Cruising Speed [km/h]	Aspect ratio	6.4	Diameter [m]	2.3 1.2
Payload [kg]	Area [m^2]	33.5	RPM	1380 3100
Lift to drag	Loading [lb/ft^2]	18.3	V_{tip} [Mach]	0.49 0.60
Disk loading [lb/ft^2]			θ_{tip} [°]	10.7 18.0
Fuselage length [m]				

Cost Analysis

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Book Depreciation Cost

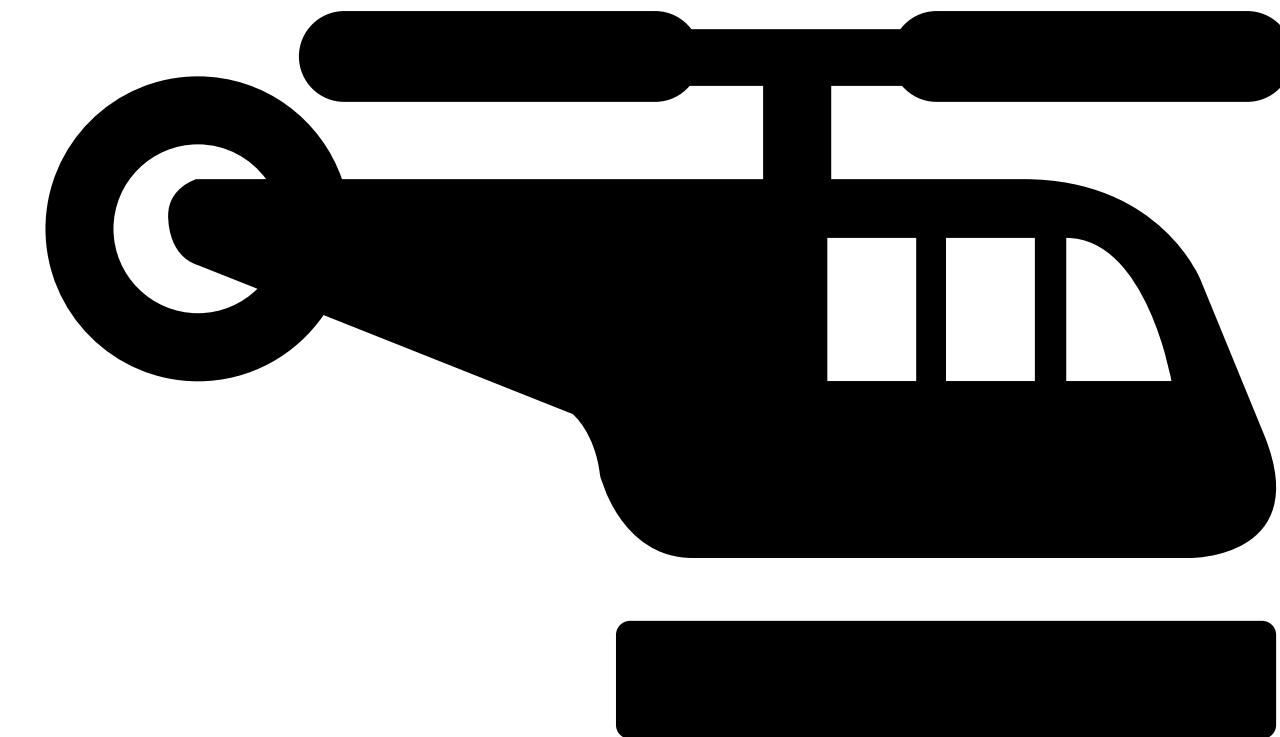
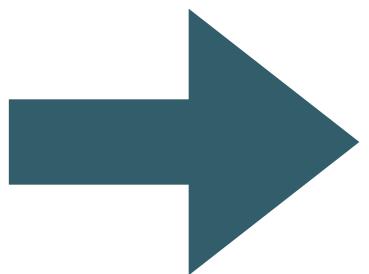
R44



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- Gross Weight : 1,134kg
- Cost : \$473,000

Life cycle : 10 years
4 one-way trip per day



- Gross Weight : 3,000kg
- Cost : \$1,251,000

-> \$86 per one-way trip

Variable Cost



$\approx 0.25(\text{Variable Cost})$

- Battery Weight : 1,200kg
- Charging cost : \$0.12/kWh
- Charging efficiency : 0.9
- Battery pack cost : \$400/kWh
- Battery Life : 2000 cycles

-> \$240 per one-way trip

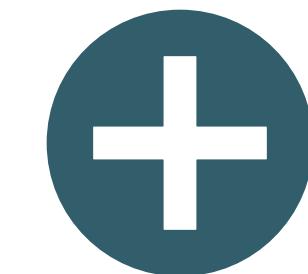
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Fixed Cost / Infrastructure Cost

Fixed Cost $\approx 0.5(\text{Variable Cost})$

-> \$120 per one-way trip

Operation Cost $\approx \$450$



Infrastructure Cost(50%)

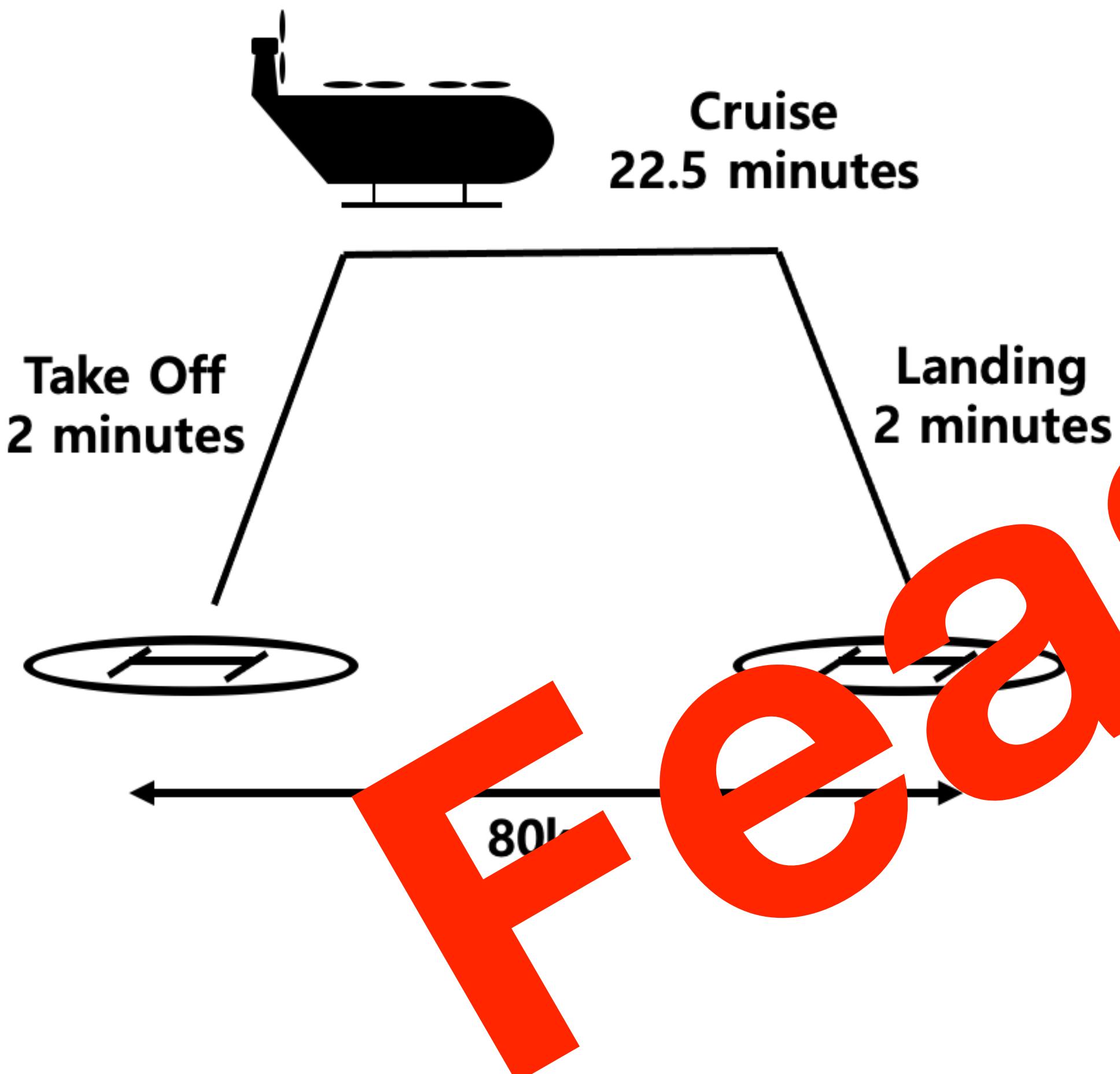


\$900 per one-way trip << \$4500(= \$9/kg * 500kg)

Conclusion

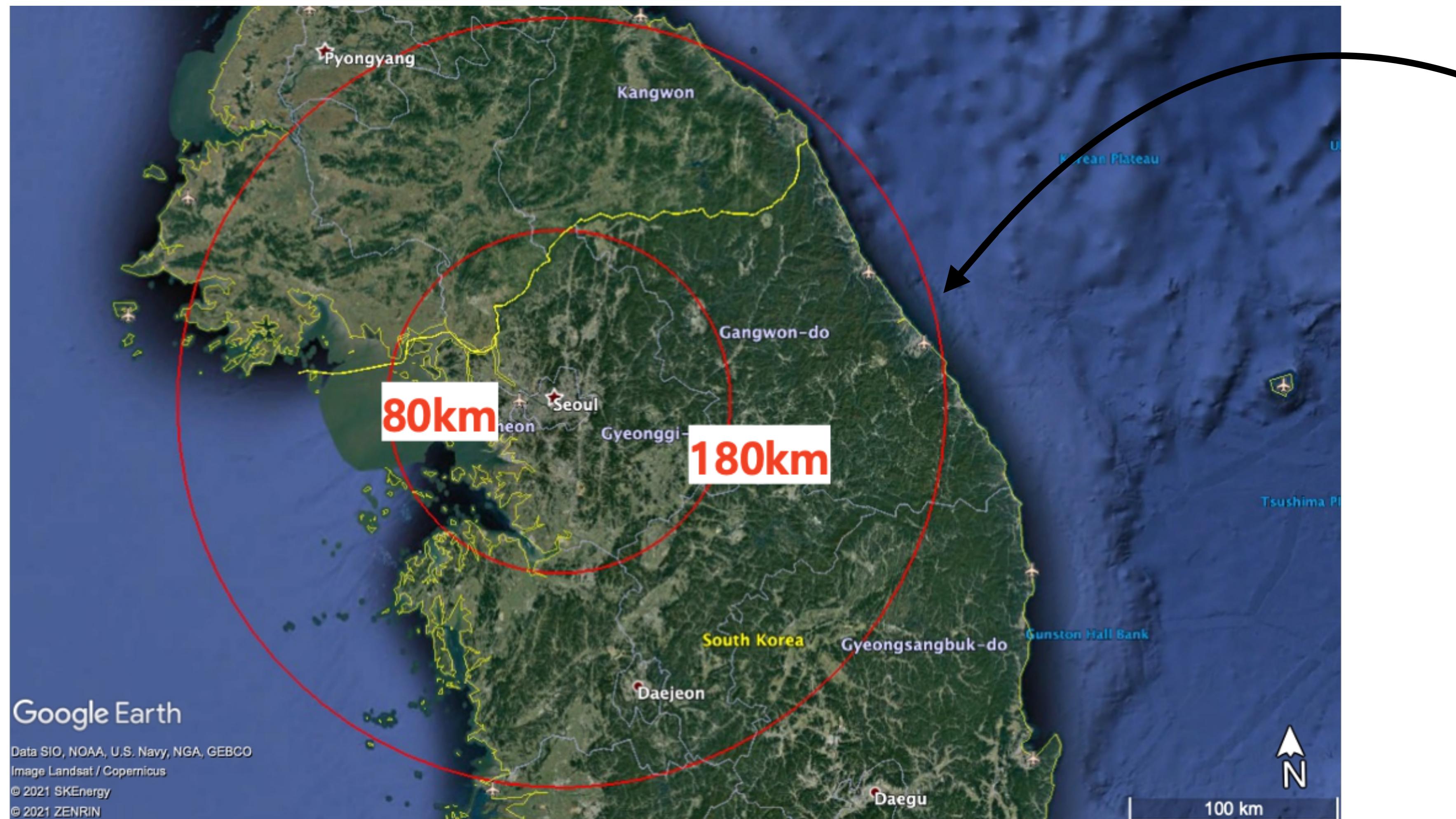


Conclusion



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Near future

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