

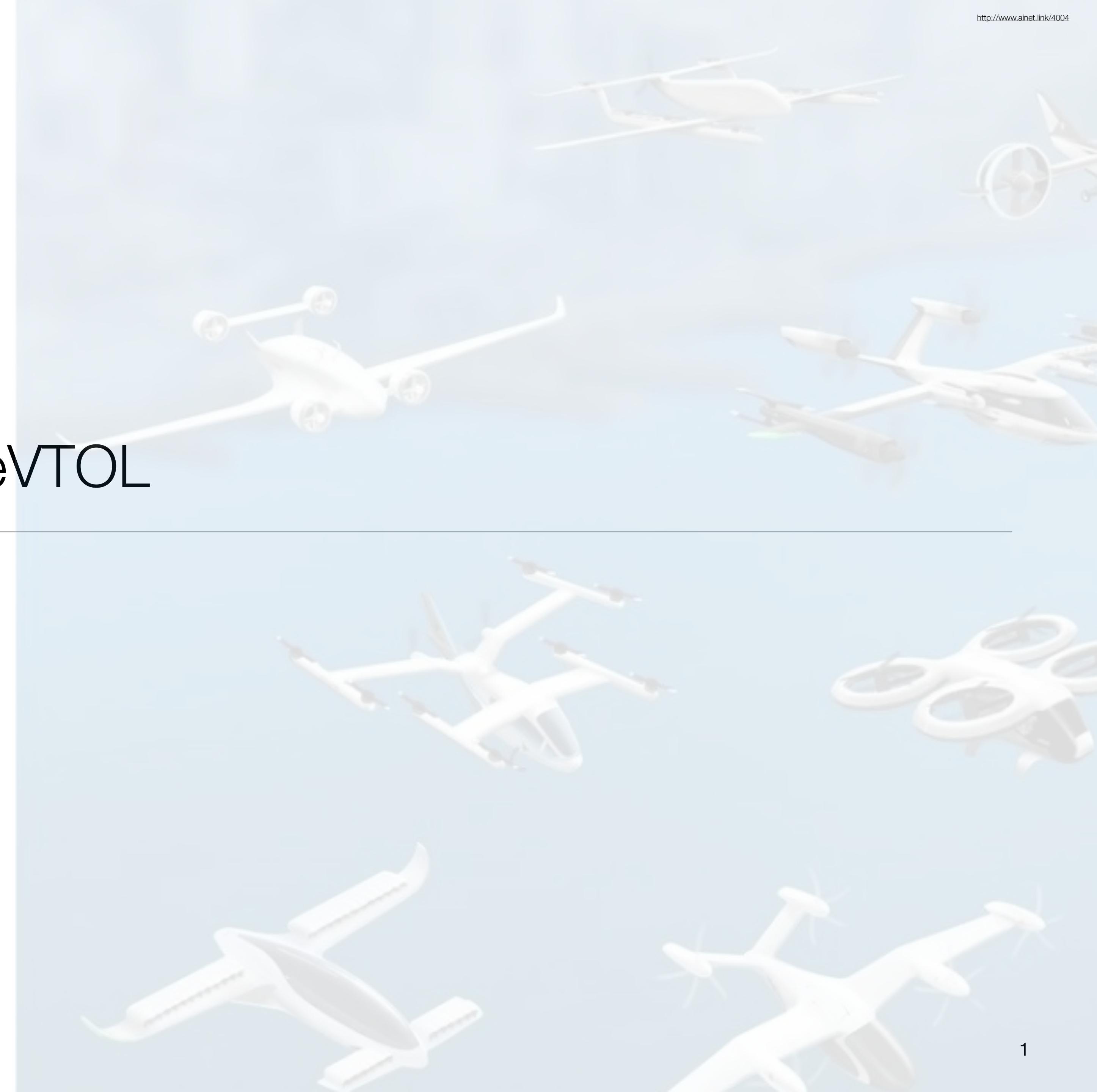
# UAM Team Project : Conceptual Design of Cargo eVTOL

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# Motivation

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Morgan Stanley | RESEARCH

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GLOBAL FOUNDATION

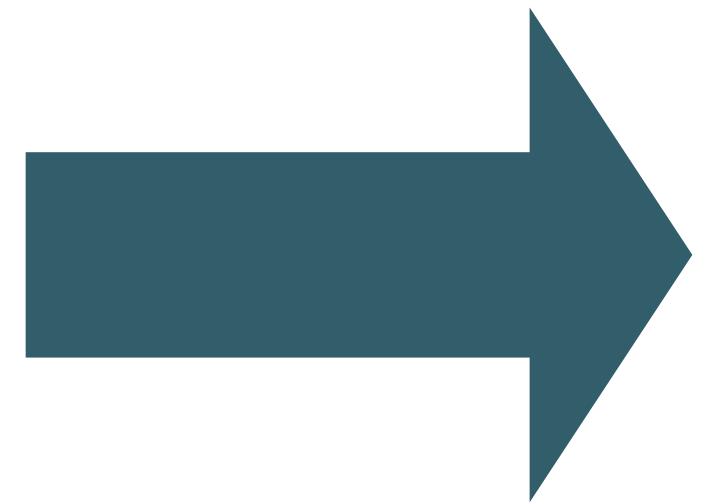
Urban Air Mobility

## 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 and lack of interest from investors.

VTOL failed to get into daily life

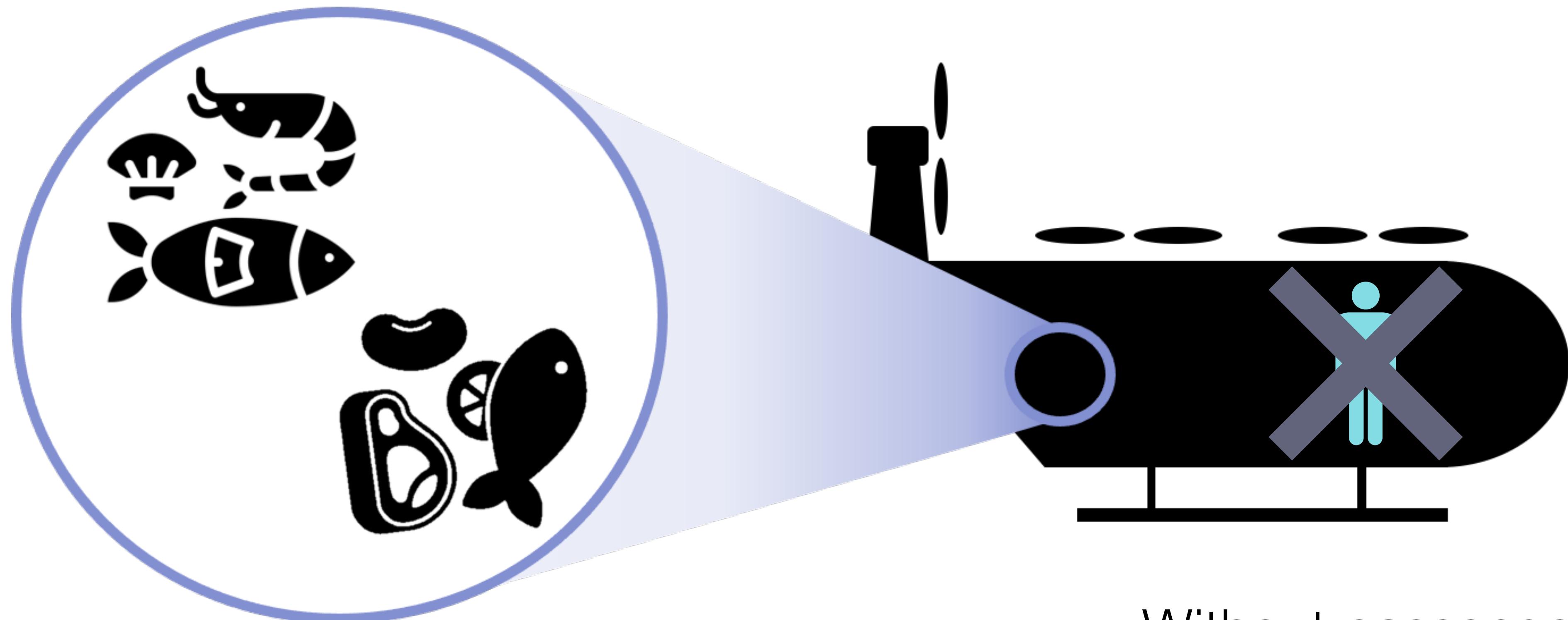
A large blue arrow points from the aircraft towards the word "Reliability".



Reliability

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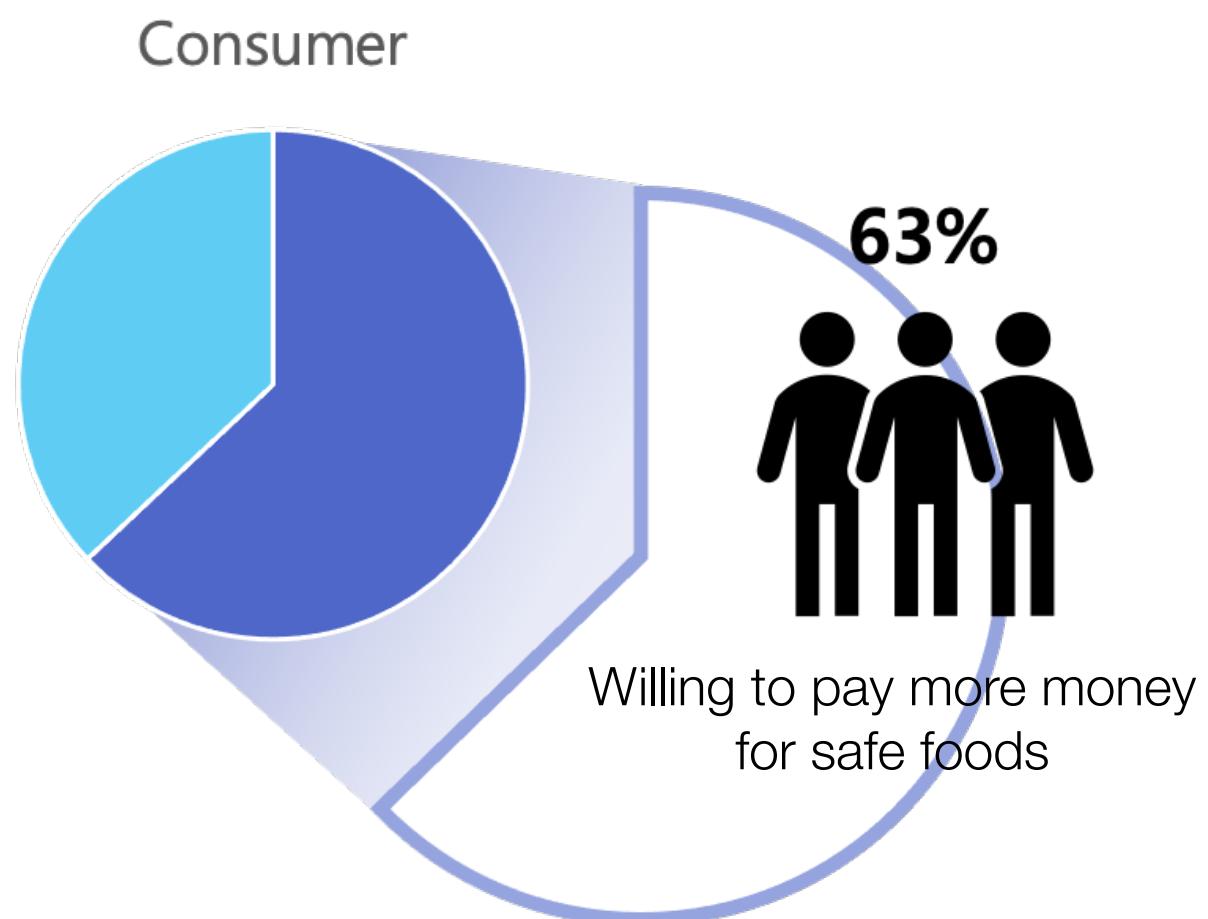
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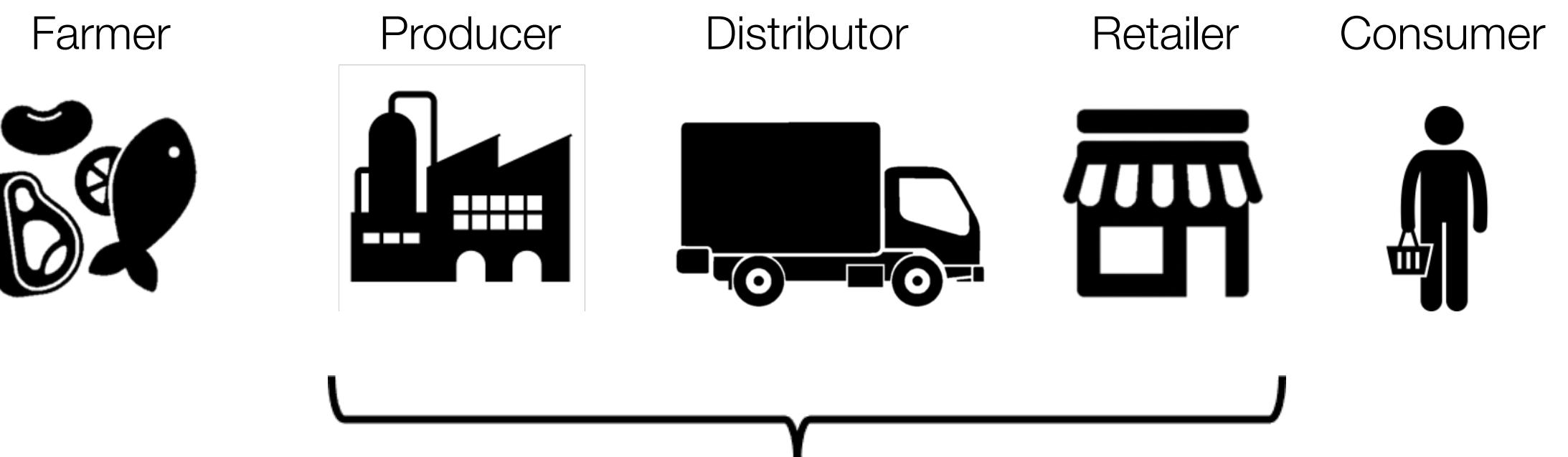
Without passengers -> Less risky

# Market Needs

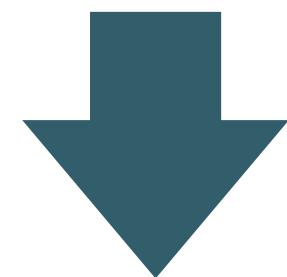
- Consumer



- Government



**Over 50% of the retail price**



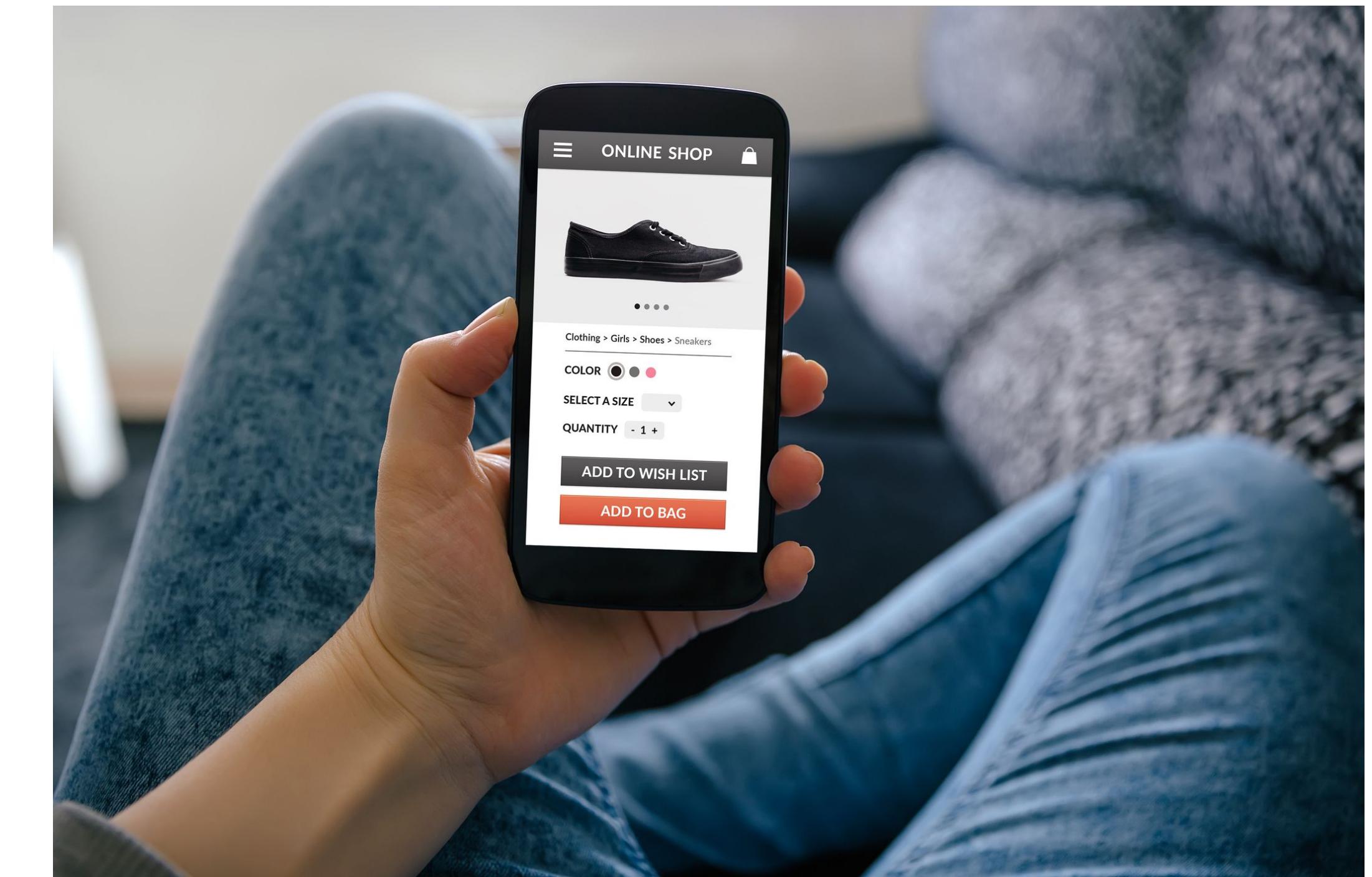
**Consistently try to improve  
marine products distribution system**

# Environment

- Housing
- Technology

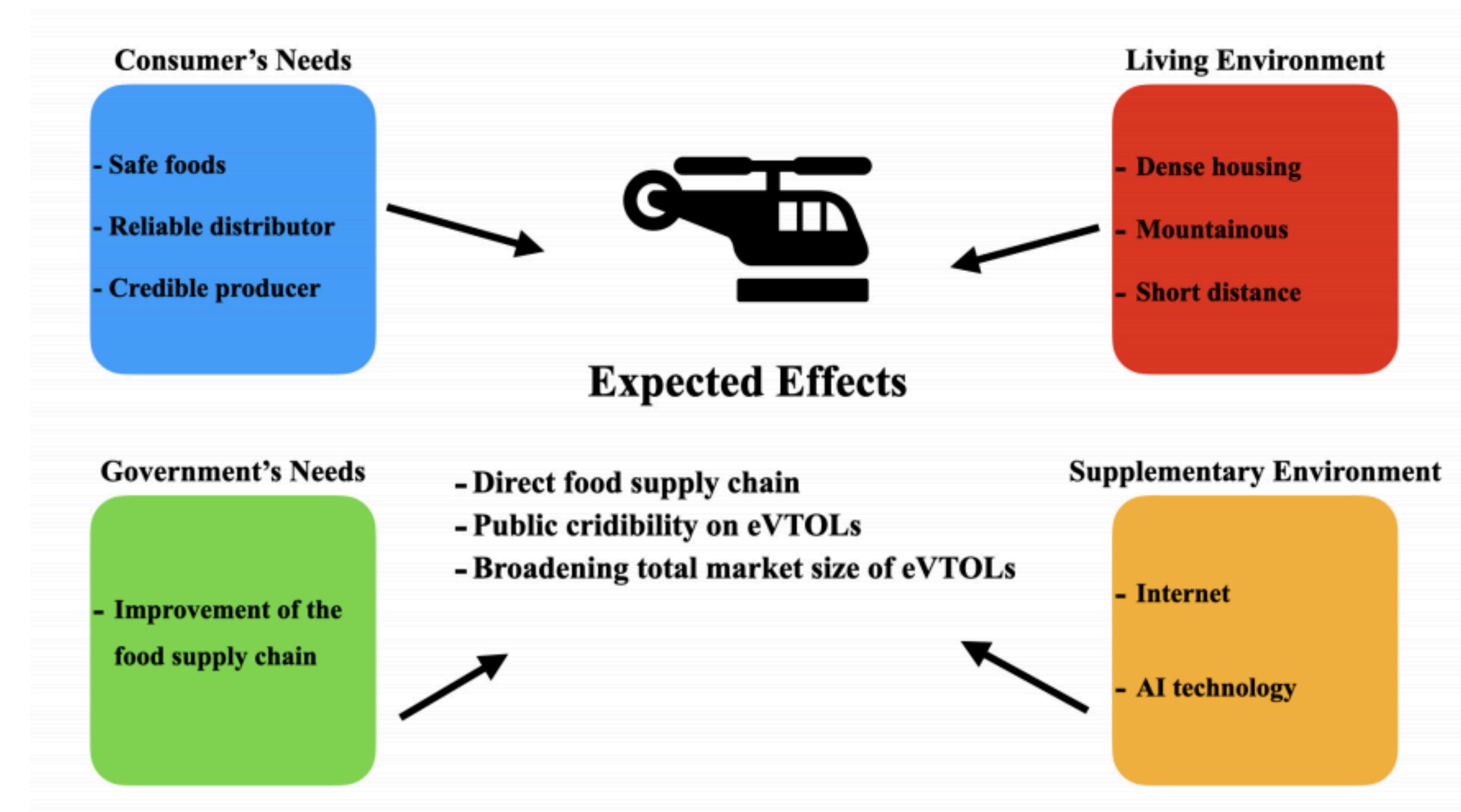


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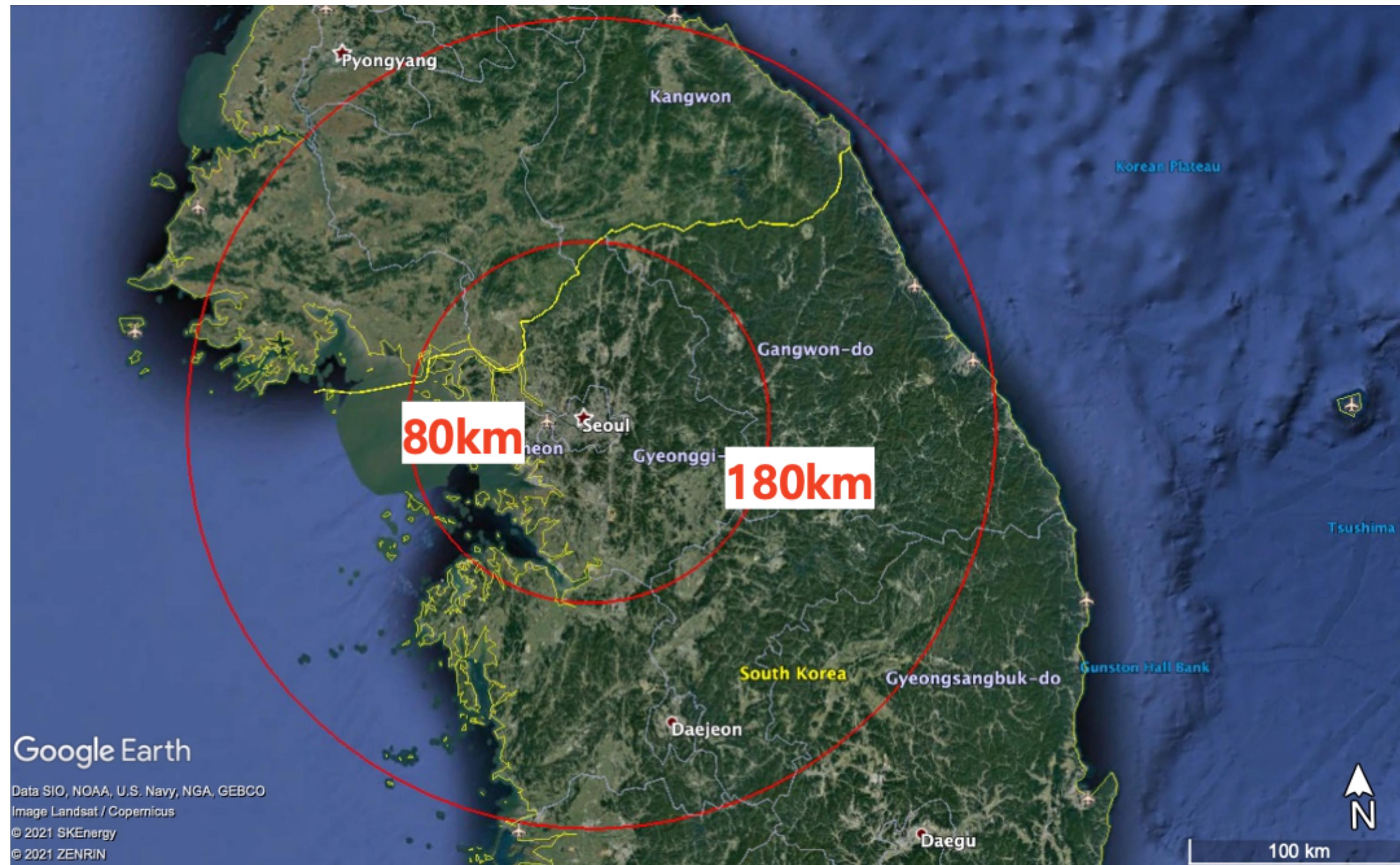
# Summary



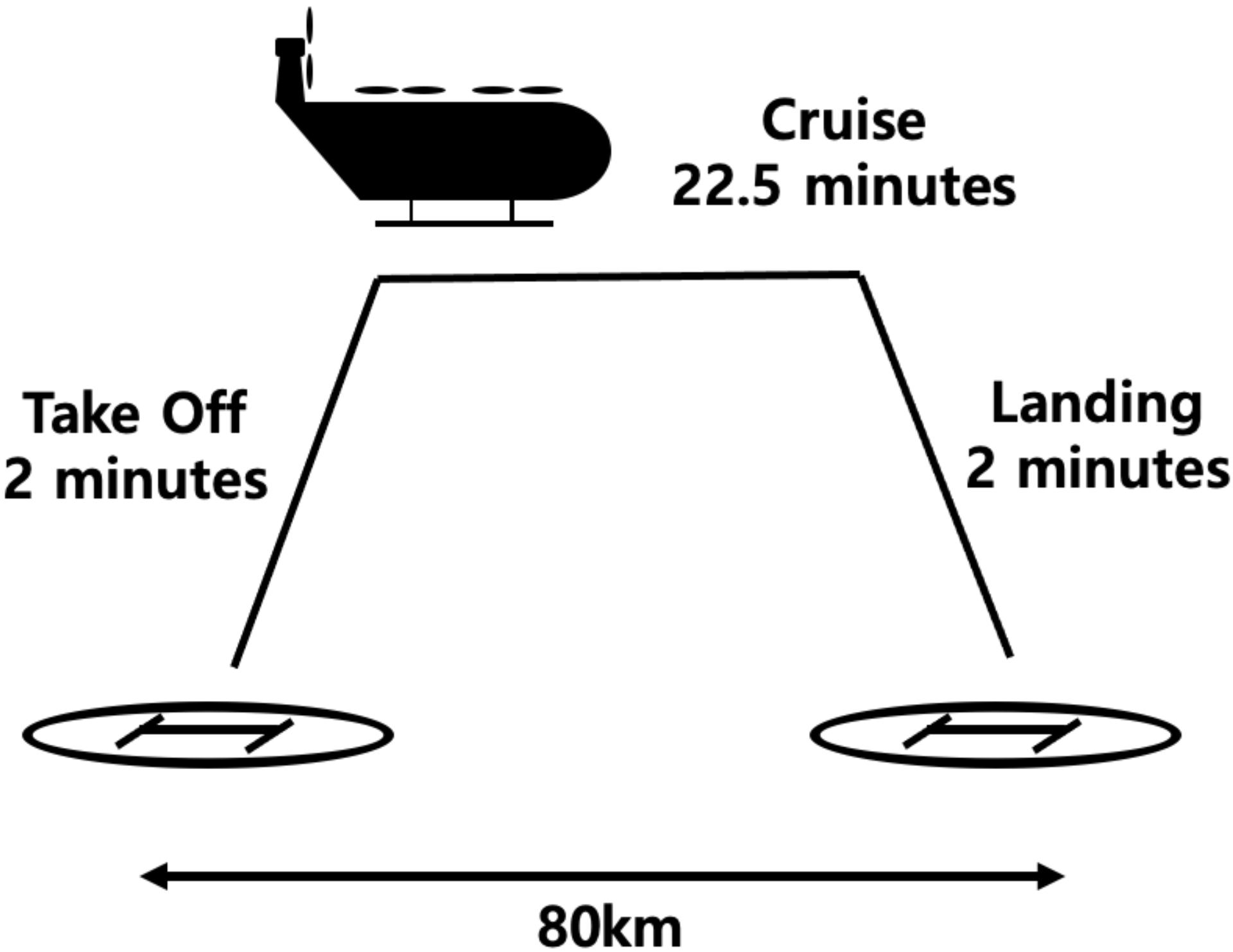
**Fig. 2 Overall Motivation**

# Mission Profile

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- 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  $AR$ ,  $S_{ref}$

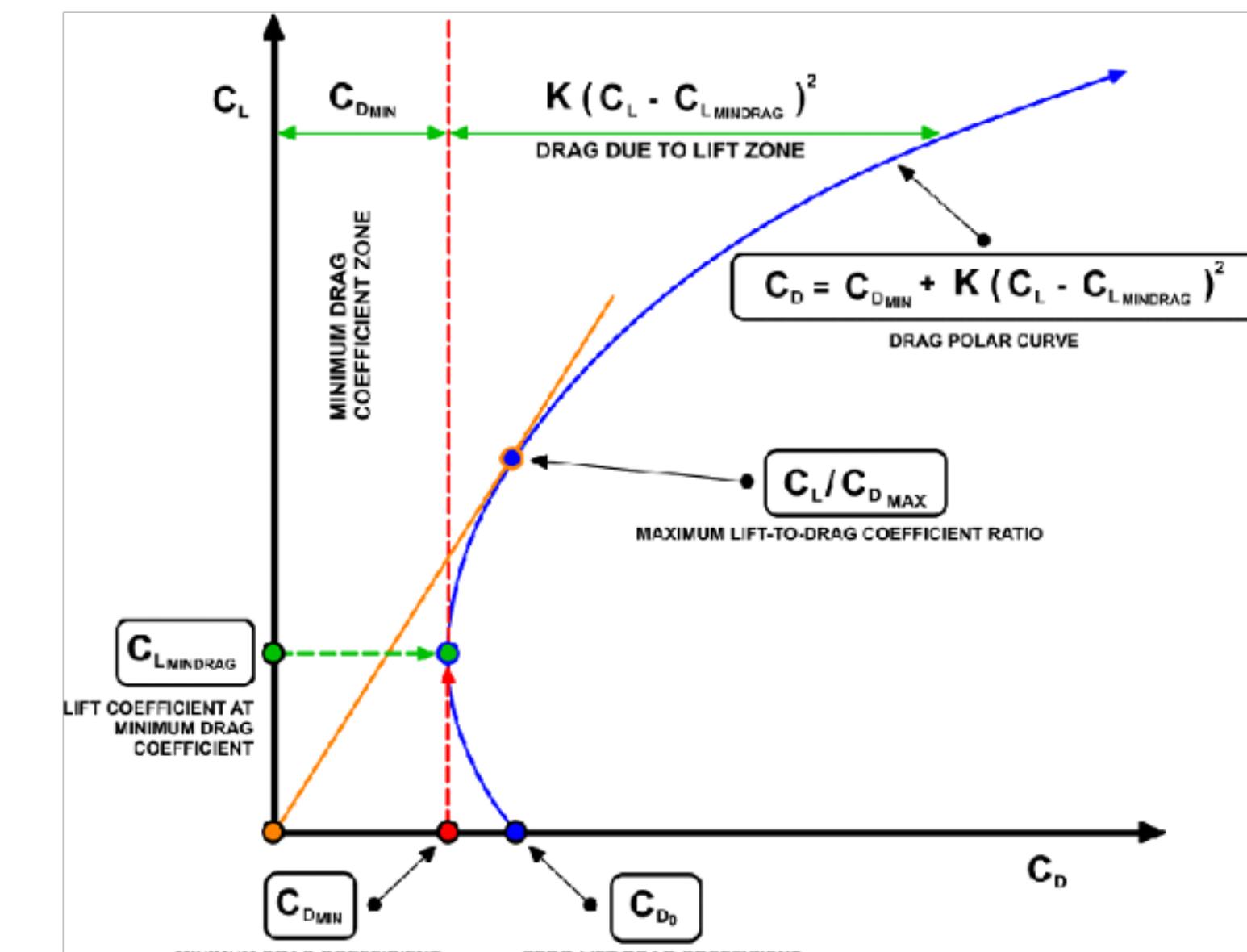
*e: Oswald span efficiency*

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

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

**$C_L$  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

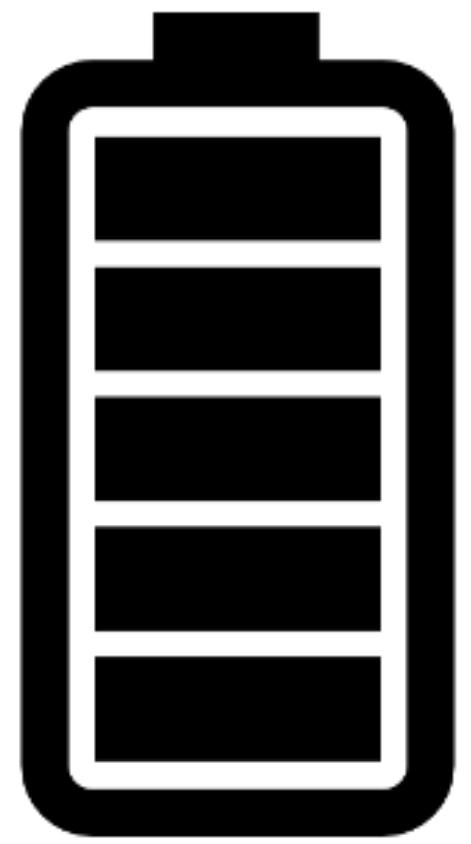
**Discharging C rate**

4.66C

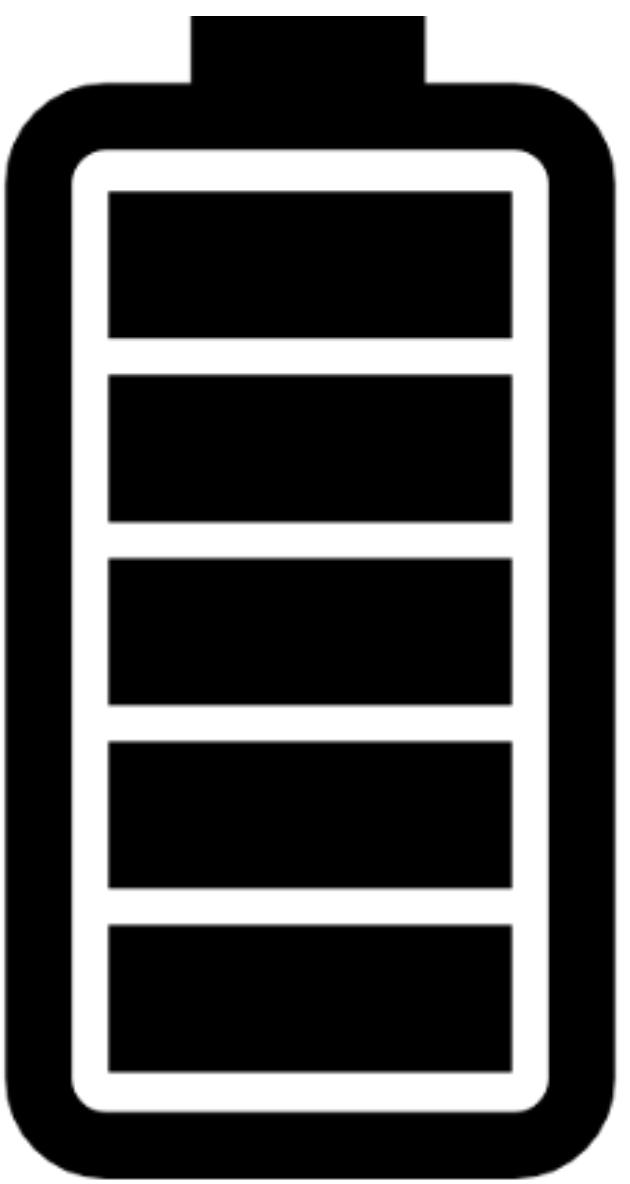
0.93C

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

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

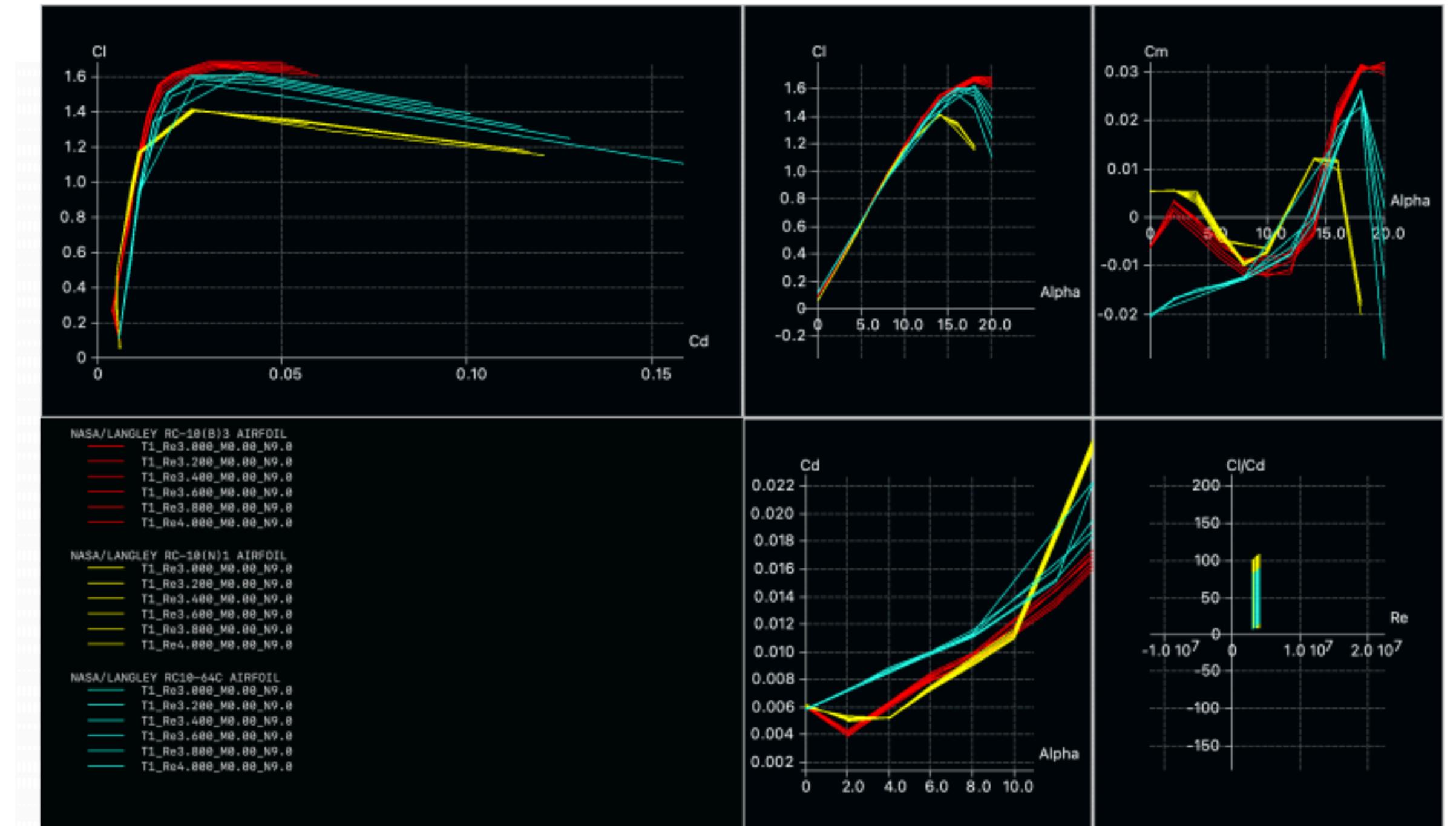
- Gross Weight = 3000kg
- Disk Loading = 12lb/ft<sup>2</sup>
- # of lift rotors : 12
- # of cruise rotors : 2
- L/D : 20

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

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

# 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  $a, \delta$  by CFD(characteristic of the airfoil of the blades)**

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

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

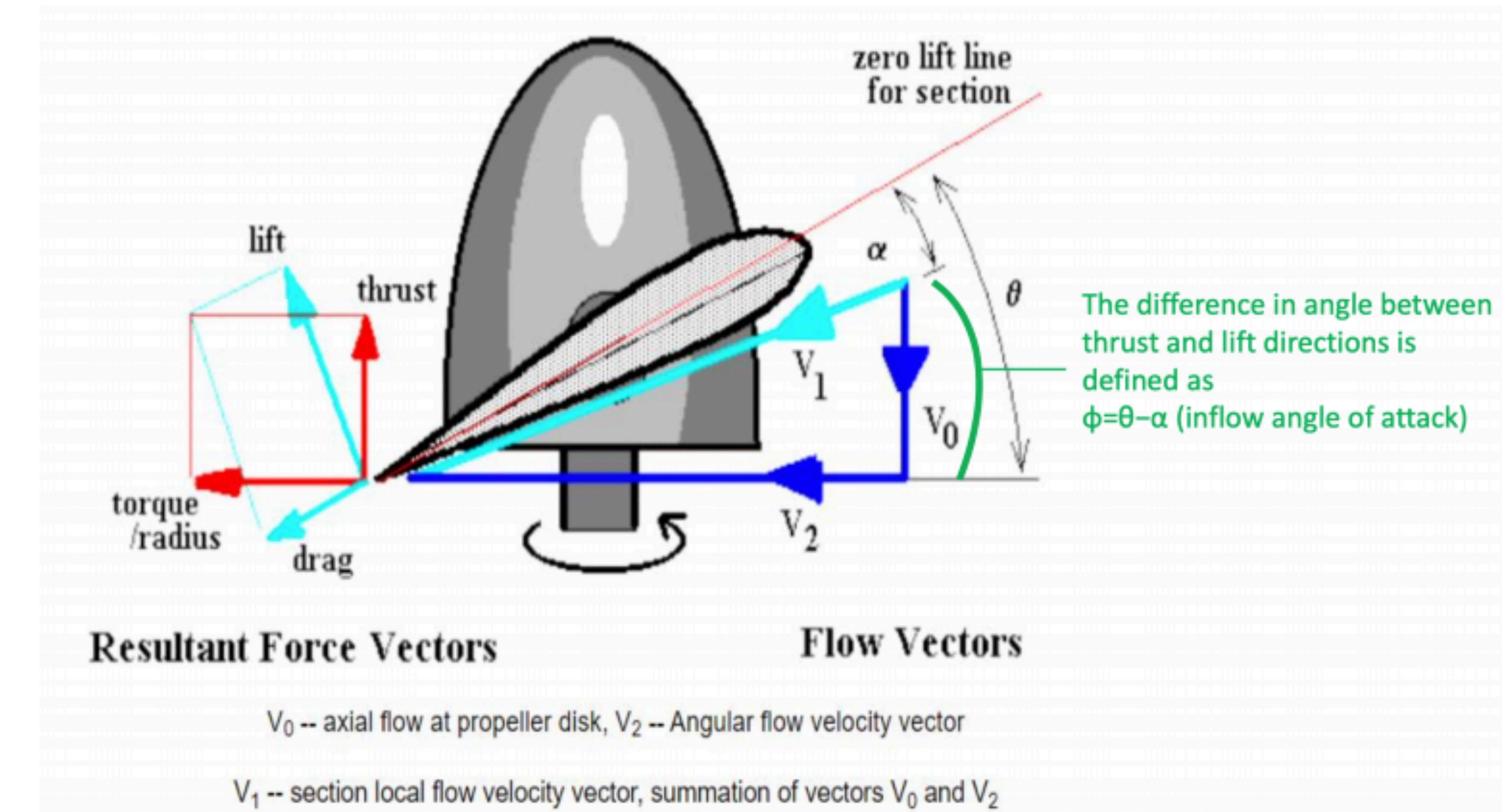
$$T = C_T \pi R^2 \rho_{air} (\Omega R)^2$$

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

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

# 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

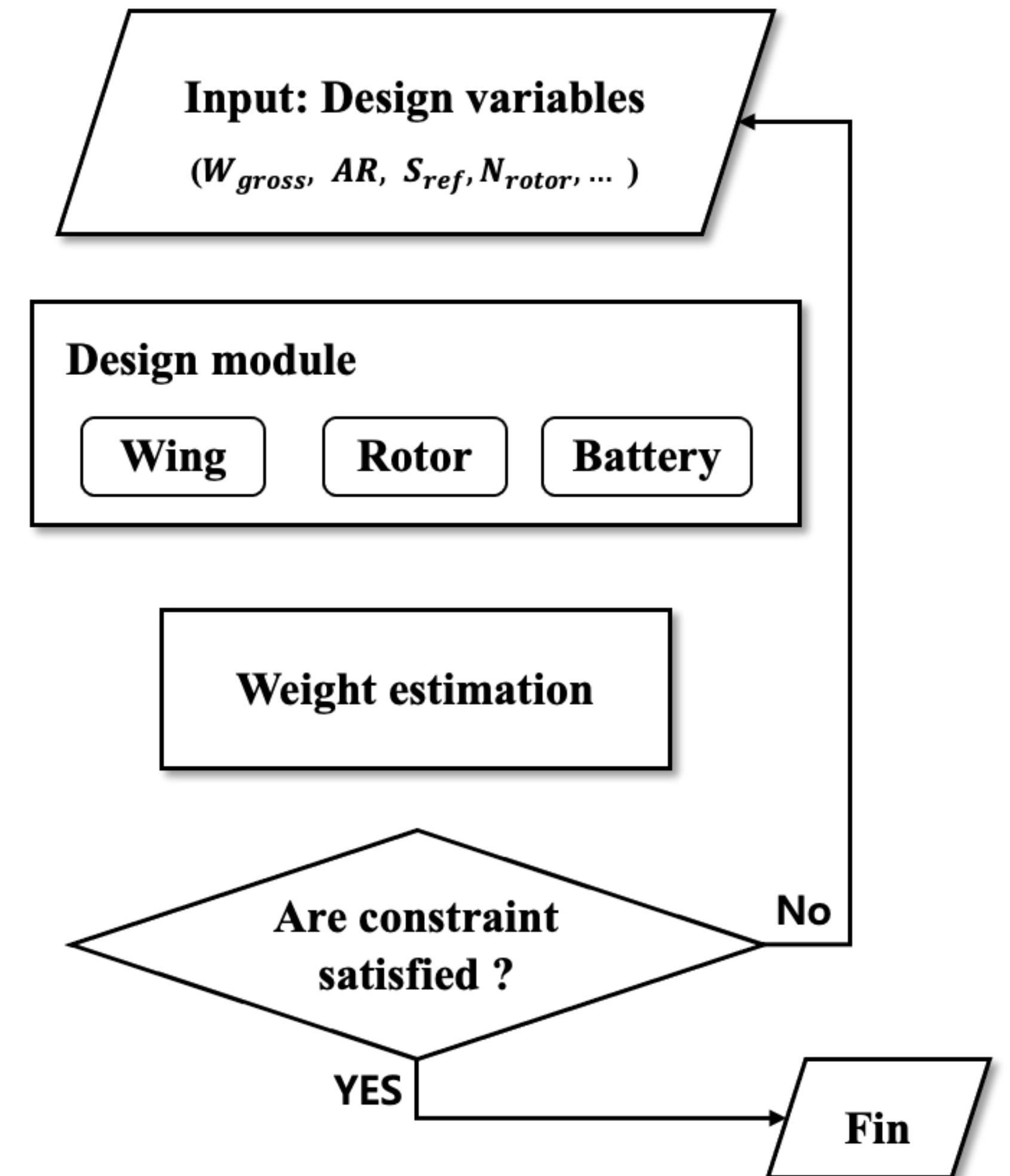
- Aspect ratio, reference area, the number of the rotors, disk loading, fuselage length, etc.

## 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

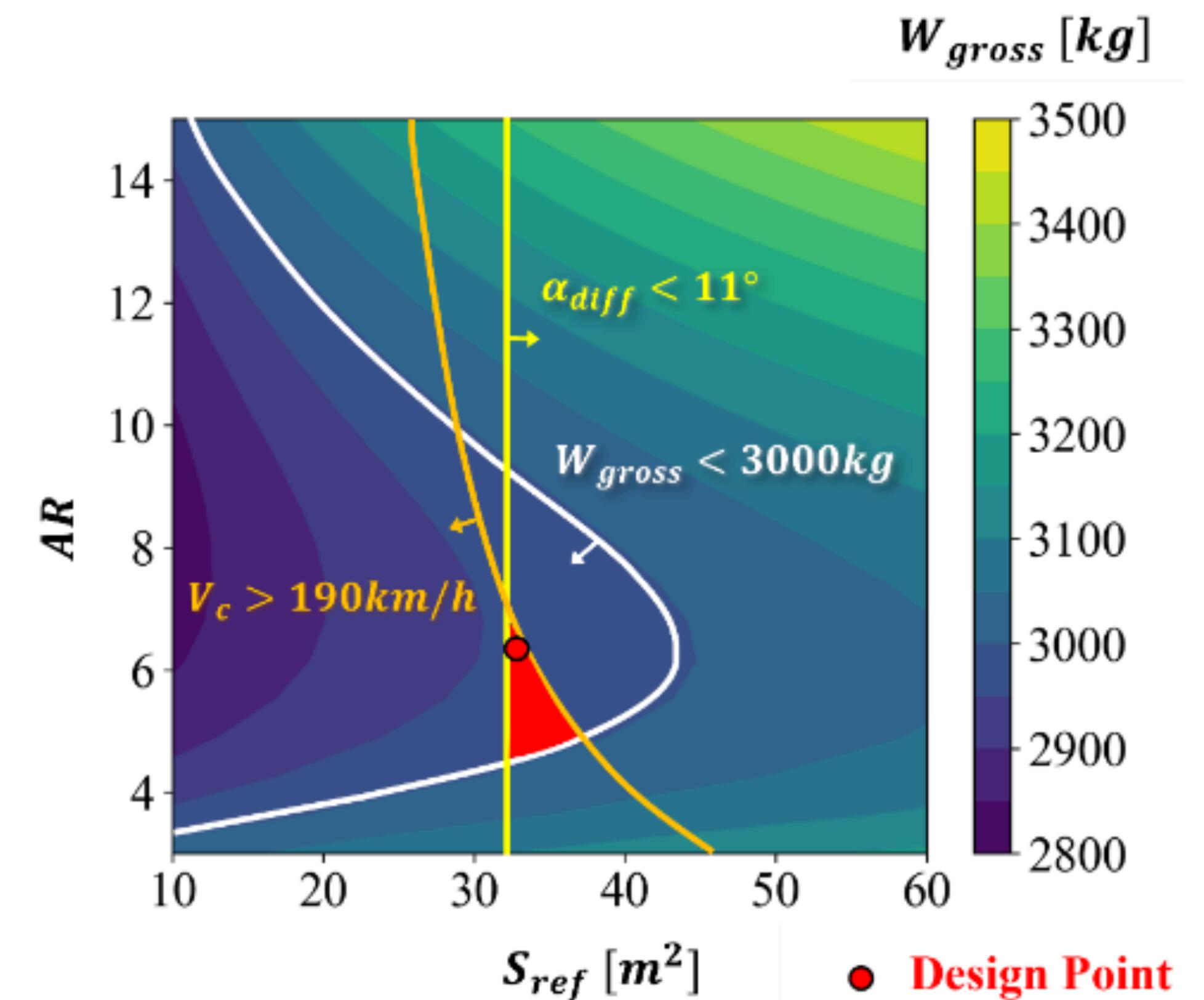
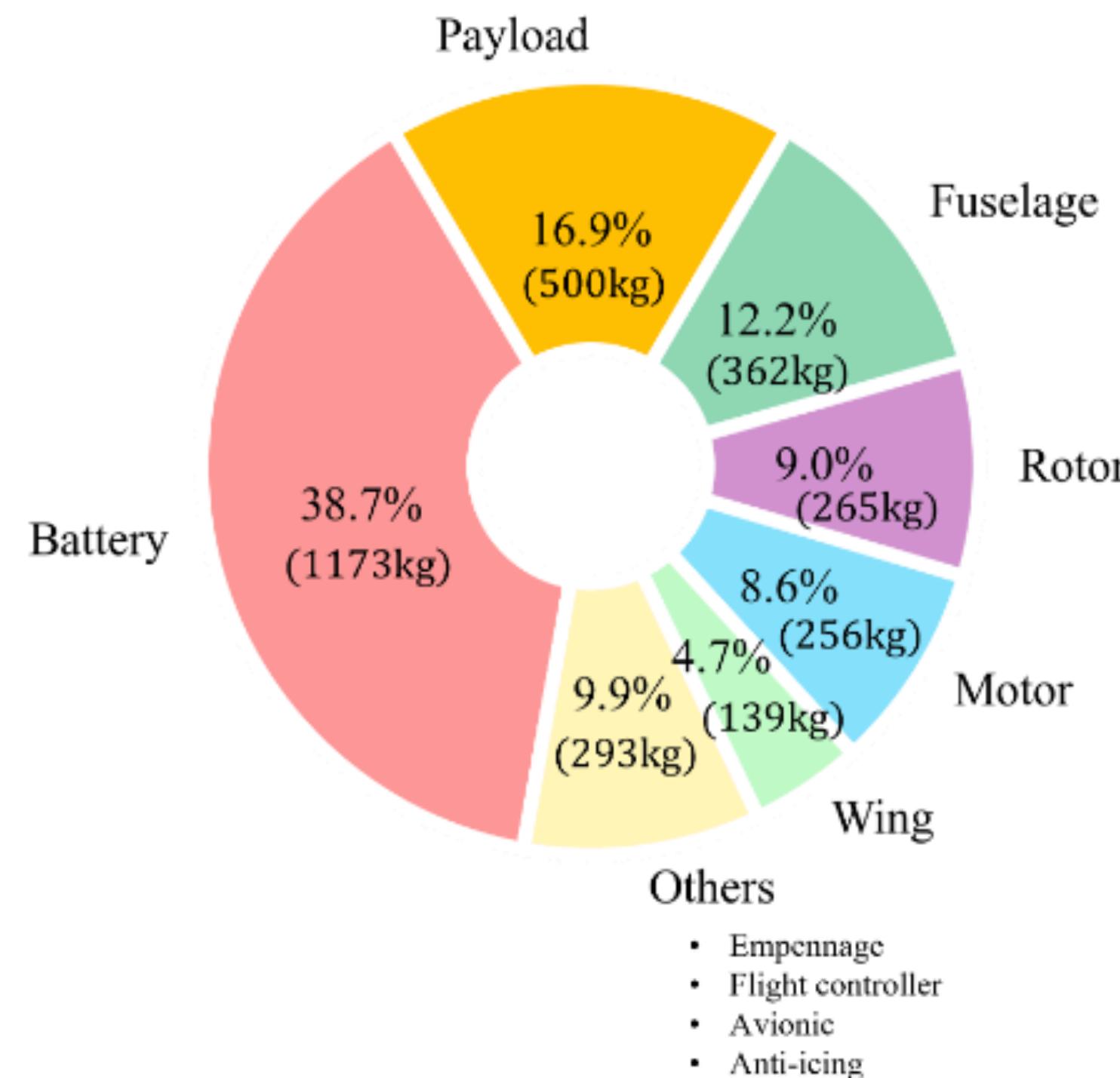


Fig. 6 Design Results of cargo eVTOL

# Weight Estimation



**Fig. 7 Estimated mass fraction of each aircraft components**

| Components                      | Weight [kg]  | Components                      | Weight [kg]  |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Wing</b>                     | <b>138.9</b> | <b>Fuselage</b>                 | <b>361.6</b> |
| <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          |                                 |              |
| <b>Motor</b>                    | <b>253</b>   | <b>Rotor</b>                    | <b>265</b>   |
| <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         |                                 |              |
| <b>Empennage</b>                | <b>11.3</b>  | <b>Refrigeration system</b>     | <b>100</b>   |
| <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           |
| <b>Battery</b>                  | <b>1173</b>  | <b>Motor Controller</b>         | <b>65.1</b>  |
| <i>BMS (cruise)</i>             | 119.3        | <b>Flight controller</b>        | <b>11.1</b>  |
| <i>Battery Cell (cruise)</i>    | 477.1        | <b>Anti-icing</b>               | <b>24</b>    |
| <i>Battery Pack (cruise)</i>    | 596.4        | <b>Avionics</b>                 | <b>80.4</b>  |
| <i>BMS (lift)</i>               | 126.3        | <b>Payload</b>                  | <b>500</b>   |
| <i>Battery Cell (lift)</i>      | 505.2        | <b>Gross weight</b>             | <b>2984</b>  |
| <i>Battery Pack (lift)</i>      | 631.5        |                                 |              |

**Table 1 Weight breakdown list**

# Sizing Results

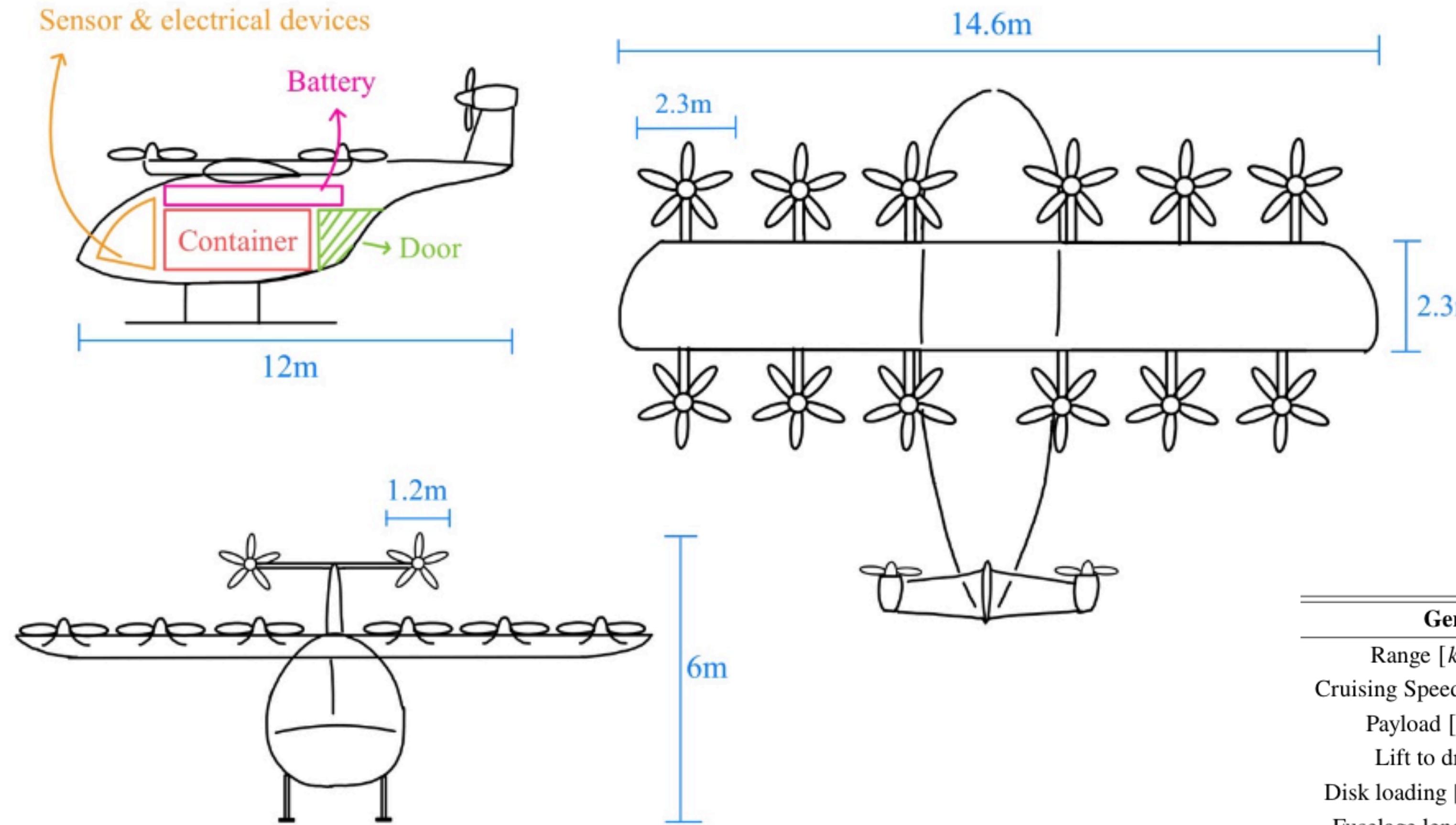


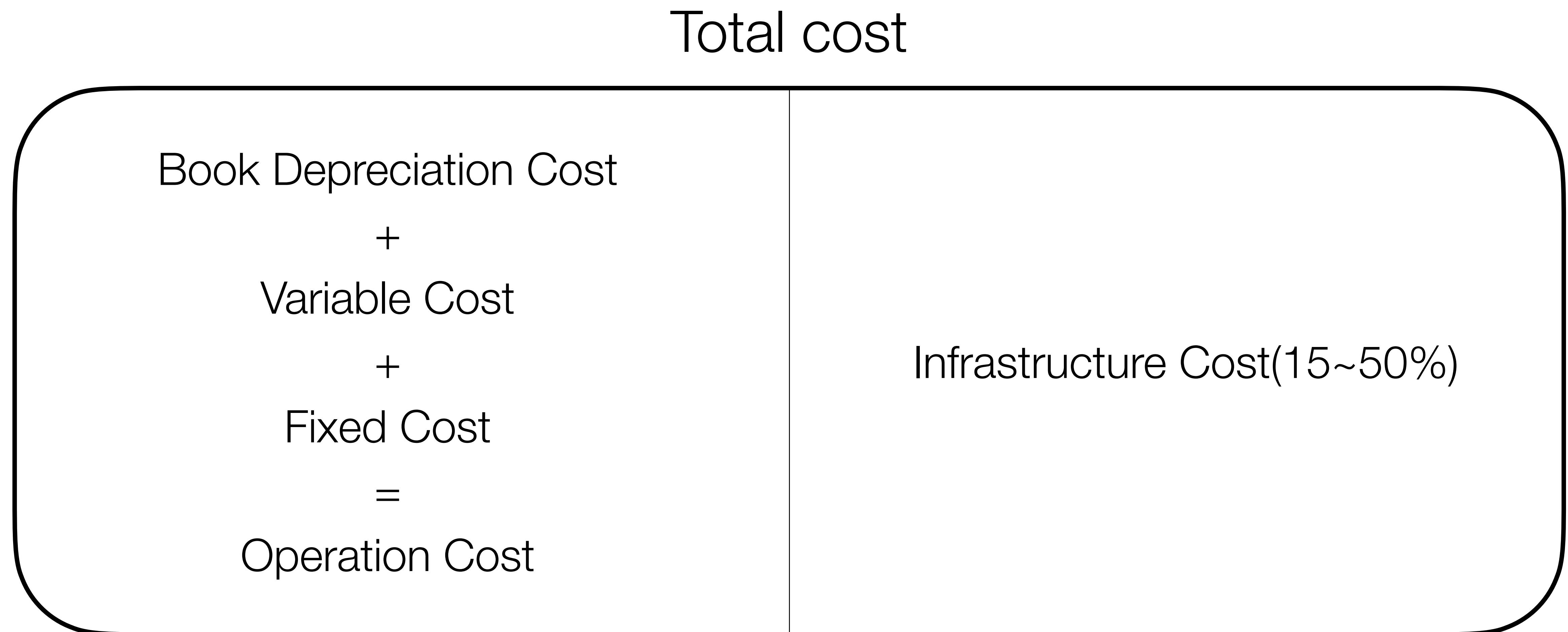
Fig. 8 Three-view drawing of designed eVTOL

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 [ $lb/ft^2$ ] |                       |       | $\theta_{tip}$ [°] | 10.7 18.0 |
| Fuselage length [m]        |                       |       |                    |           |

# Cost Analysis

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# Book Depreciation Cost

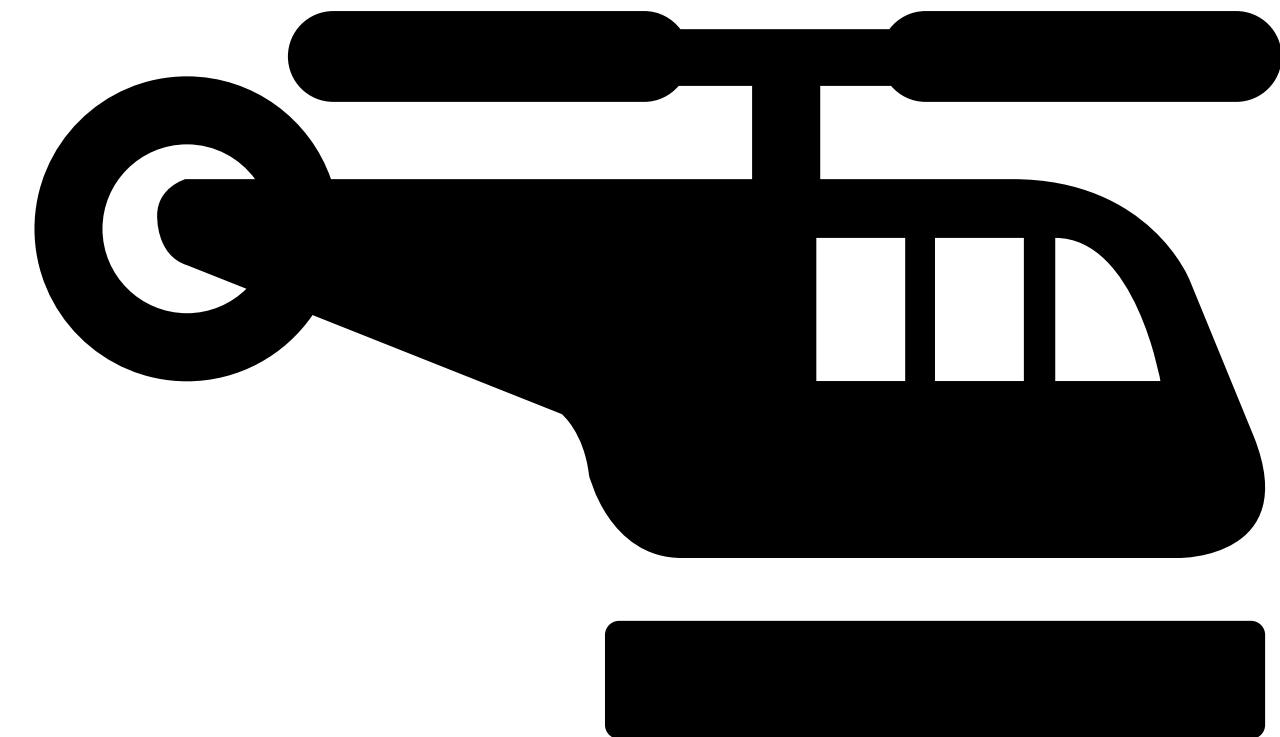
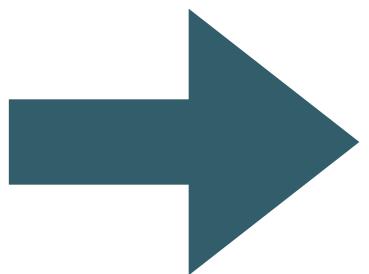
**R44**



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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**

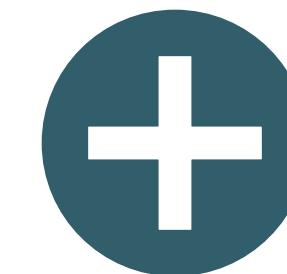
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# Fixed Cost / Infrastructure Cost

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

**-> \$120 per one-way trip**

*Operation Cost  $\approx \$450$*



*Infrastructure Cost(50%)*

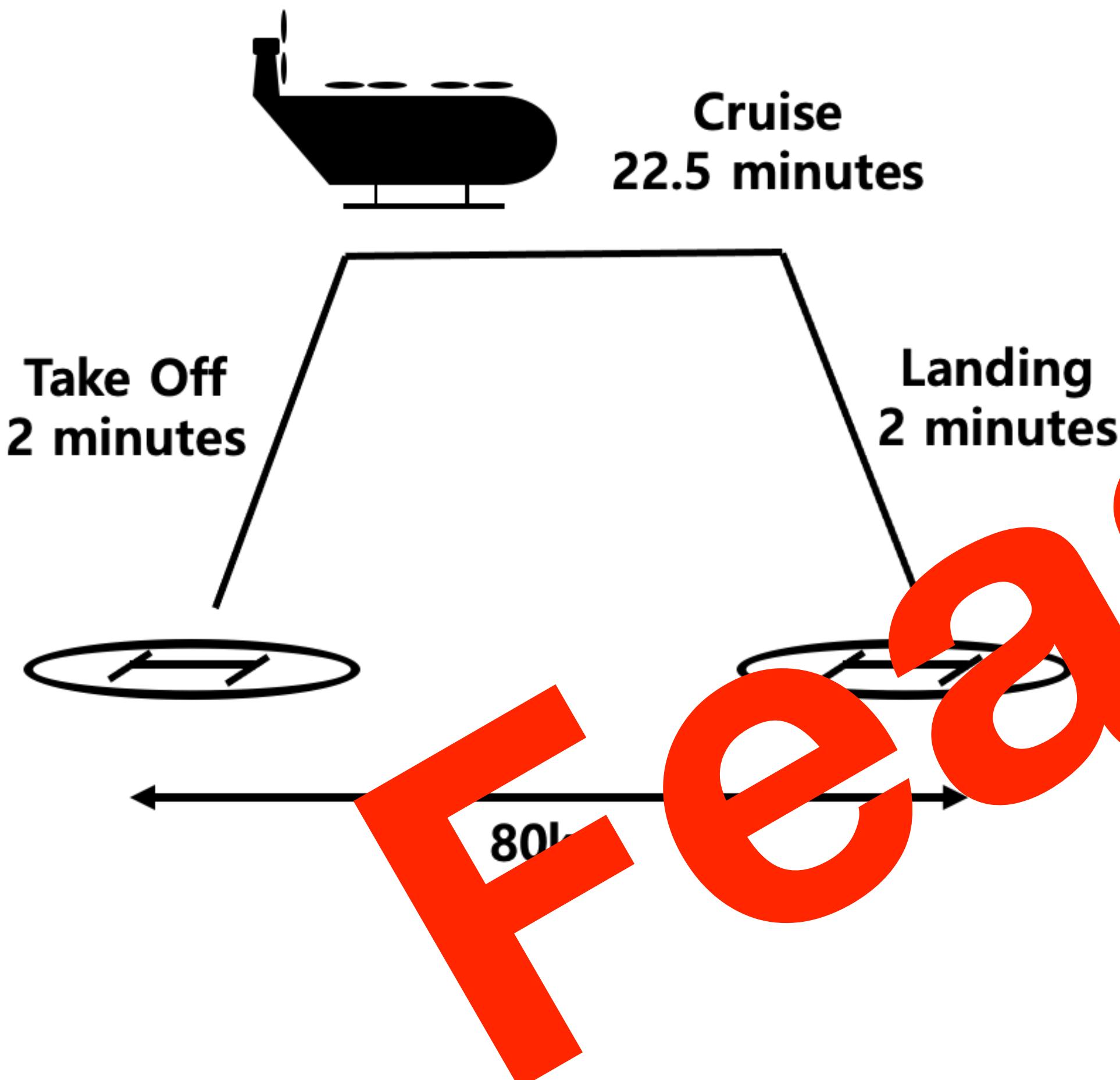


**\$900 per one-way trip << \$4500(= \$9/kg \* 500kg)**

# Conclusion

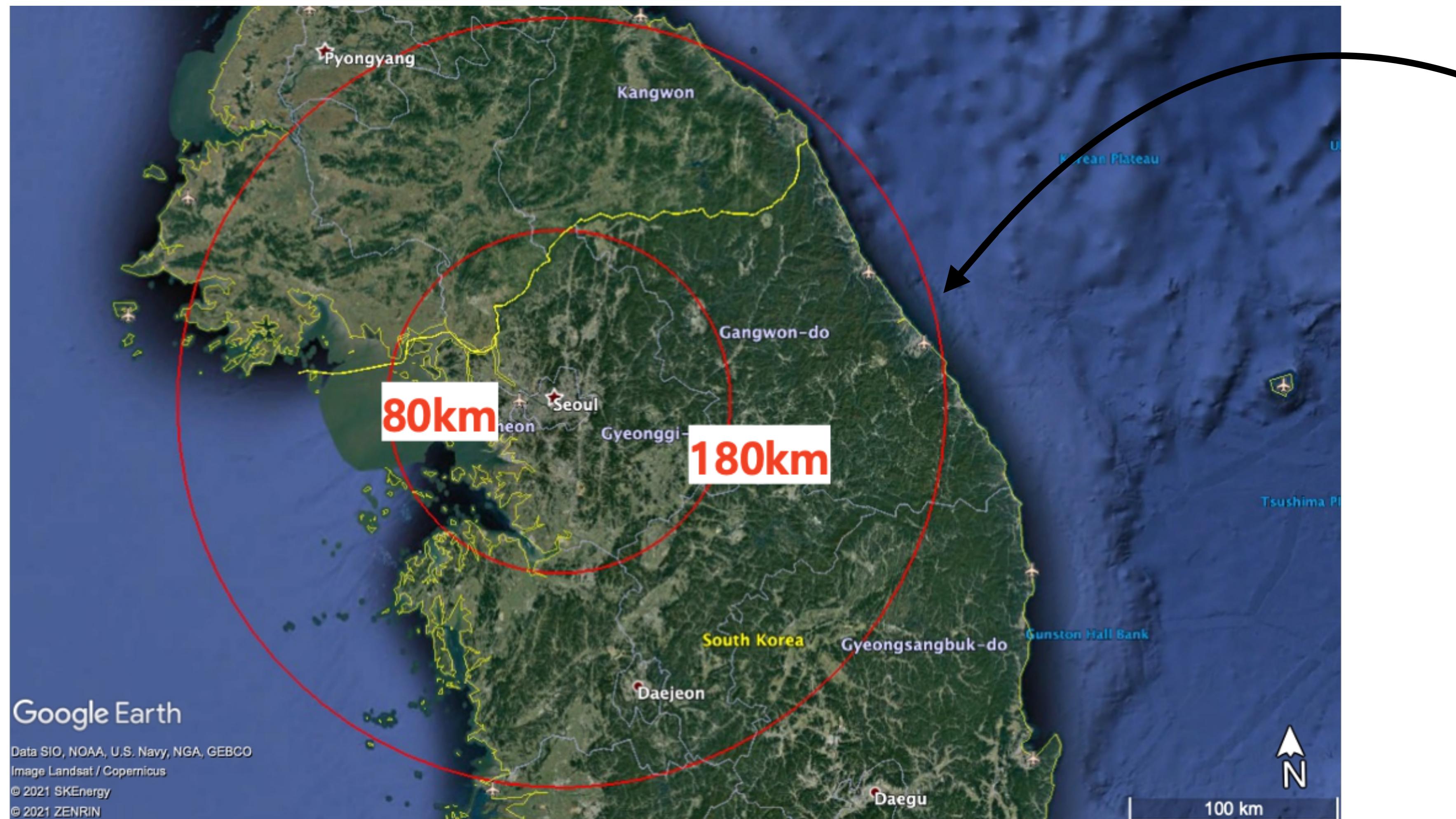


# Conclusion



- Total Gross Weight < 3000kg
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- Range > 80km
- Price < \$9/kg

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Near future

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