Project Presentation

SkySentry: Unmanned Aerial Systems for Fire Detection and Suppression in Open Environments

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Problem Definition

Large open area fires often go undetected, posing significant environmental and human health risks due to impractical manual monitoring.

Project Objective

The primary objective of this project is to develop and implement an automated landfill fire monitoring and suppression system that uses drone technology and intelligent automation to detect, respond to, and suppress potential fire incidents in landfills, with a focus on improving environmental safety and preventing fire-related damage.

Novelty of Idea

- Integration of specialized fully autonomous UAVs for fire detection and suppression.
- Utilizes advanced sensors and autonomous capabilities.
- Represents a significant advancement in open environment fire management.
- Offers proactive and efficient approach to combating fires.

Scope of Implementation

- Design and construction of two distinct UAV platforms.
- Integration of advanced sensors and autonomous navigation systems.
- Rigorous testing and validation under various conditions.
- Considerations for scalability, regulatory compliance, safety, and environmental impact.
- Multidisciplinary effort involving robotics, aerospace engineering, wildfire science, and regulatory compliance.

Gantt Chart



• The development process followed is the agile model.

30% Output & Screenshots

The progress in modules :

Fire Detection Module

Live video snippet uploaded.

The video snippet was divided into frames.

A custom YoLov5 model was used to detect the presence of fire in these frames.

Communication Module

Established a Server Client connection between two devices and sent a video stream from server to client when a fire is detected.

GUI

Implemented a GUI to show location of fire on a map once location coordinates was entered into a CSV file.



Figure: Fire detection model on a video sample

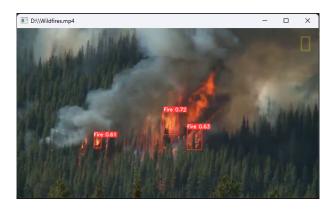


Figure: Fire detection model on a video sample



Figure: GUI showing location on a map



Figure: Server Sending Video Frames



Figure: Client Receiving Video Frames

Work Progress for 60% Evaluation

- Simulation of drone flight:
 - The target altitude and airspeed are taken as input.
 - This information is passed to the dronekit-sitl virtual copter.
 - The flight of the drone and other telemetry information can be viewed using Mission Planner.
- Hardware with drone frame, motors, and battery procured

Results



Figure: scripting mission by establishing waypoints

Results

```
Telemetry log: mav.tlog
Waiting for heartbeat from tcp:127.0.8.1:5768
MAV> Detected vehicle 1:1 on link 0
                                                                                                                     self._send_output(message_body, encode_chunked=encode_chunked)
                                                                                                                 File "/usr/lib/python3.10/http/client.py", line 1038, in _send_output
                                                                                                                    self.send(msg)
 nline system 1
TABILIZE> Mode STABILIZE
                                                                                                                  File "/usr/lib/python3.18/http/client.py", line 976, in send
                                                                                                                 File "/usr/lib/python3.18/http/client.py". line 942. in connect
AP: Calibrating barometer
AP: Initialising APM...
AP: barometer calibration complete
AP: GROUND START
                                                                                                                 self, seck = self_create_connection(
File "/usr/lib/python3.18/secket.py", line 833, in create_connection
init Gyro**
                                                                                                               KeyboardInterrupt
                                                                                                               During handling of the above exception, another exception occurred:
 _off: 8.00, 8.00, 8.00
_off: 8.00, 8.00, 8.00
_scale: 1.00, 1.00, 1.00
                                                                                                               Traceback (most recent call tast):
File "/home/jonathan/.local/bin/dronekit-sitl", line 8, in <module>
                                                                                                                    sys.exit(main())
                                                                                                               sys.exit(main());
file "/heme/jonathan/.local/lib/python3.10/site-packages/dronekit_sitl/__i
nit__np", line 500, in main
sitl.domload(system, version, target=target, verbose=True)
file "/heme/jonathan/.local/lib/python3.10/site-packages/dronekit_sitl/__i
 eady to FLY ublox no link
                                                                                                               raise Exception('Cannot connect to version list. Please specify a specify
 eartbeat OH
                                                                                                               ic version to continue.')
 ttempting reconnect
Errno 111] Connection refused sleeping
                                                                                                               Exception: Cannot connect to version list. Please specify a specific version
 Errno 111] Connection refused sleeping
                                                                                                                                PTOP-UGCJLUF9:=/.local/bin$ dronekit-sitl copter --home=35.983595
 ttempting reconnect
Errno 111] Connection refused sleeping
Errno 111] Connection refused sleeping
                                                                                                               os: linux, apm: copter, release: stable
SITL already Downloaded and Extracted.
Ready to boot.
 ttempting reconnect
Errno 1111 Connection refused sleeping
                                                                                                               Execute: /home/jonathan/.dronekit/sitl/copter-3.3/apm --home=35.9835973,-95
                                                                                                               Execute: /msms//postarina
$7902199, 0, 1380 --msdelroguad -I 0
SITL-0> Started model quad at 35.9835973,-95.8742389,0,188 at speed 1.8
 xception in thread log_mriter:
raceback (most recent call last)
SITL-0.stderr> bind port 5760 for 0
Starting sketch 'ArduCopter'
                                                                                                               Serial port 8 on TCP port 5768
Starting SITL input
Felemetry log: mav.tlog
Waiting for heartbeat from tcp:127.0.8.1:5768
                                                                                                               Serial port 3 on TCP port 5763
```

Figure: terminal controlling the drone communication

Future Scope

The project lays the foundation for several potential avenues of future development and expansion:

- Enhanced Sensor Integration
- Advanced Autonomous Capabilities
- Scalability and Fleet Deployment
- Community Engagement and Partnerships

Work Breakdown and Responsibilities

- Krishnadas Balachandran Fire detection, Collision avoidance, Communication
- Jonathan Antony Communication, Autonomous navigation
- Justin Joshy Hardware, Obstacle detection, Fire Detection
- Joel Joseph Justin Drone Procurement, GUI Software

Conclusion

The proposed landfill fire detection and suppression system, which integrates infrared camera monitoring and autonomous drones, represents a significant advancement in landfill fire management. This system offers improved response times, reduced environmental impact, and enhanced safety for landfill operations. Implementing this solution can help mitigate the potentially devastating effects of landfill fires.

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