

Battery picked

Two 6S batteries are more affordable to find, and allow for the batteries to be placed in disparate locations. There is also the thermal dissipation benefits for having two separate batteries. We picked this battery as it has roughly half the capacity that we need https://www.banggood.com/ZOP-POWER-22_2V-8000mAh-60C-6S-Lipo-Battery-With-XT60-Plug-For-RC-Model-p-1328629.html. Watt hour capacity: 177.6Wh each. 2 batteries in parallel, 355.2Wh.

Battery charging

<https://electronics.stackexchange.com/questions/115795/charging-batteries-in-parallel-when-they-are-connected-in-series-in-the-circuit>. Since we have two separate batteries that are being used in parallel, we will either need a charger that can handle a 12S system or we will have to do some TDMA parallel charging. https://www.flitetest.com/articles/Parallel_Charging_Your_LiPo_Batteries

Battery charging mode

When in operation, the batteries are in series to get the correct operating voltage, but for charging they need to be in parallel for the charger to work.

Battery states

Battery system state - Hibernation (battery isolated) - Idle state (battery live, V^+_{-S} , V^-_{-S} , V^+_{-P} , V^-_{-P} all off) - Charge state (V^+_{-P} , V^-_{-P} on, V^+_{-S} , V^-_{-S} off) - Drive state (V^+_{-P} , V^-_{-P} off, V^+_{-S} , V^-_{-S} on)