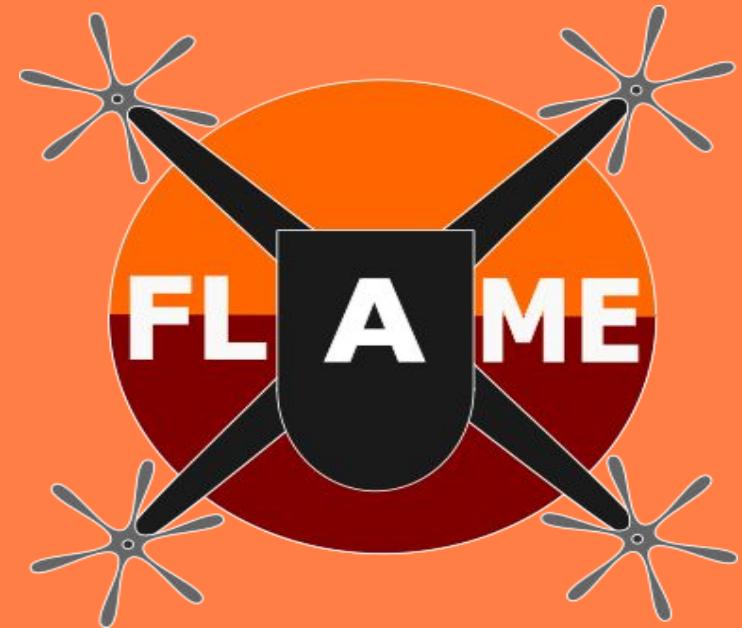


FLAME Critical Design Review

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Project Overview

Mission Objective

- Autonomously fly to and from locations of interest through an Unmanned Aerial System (UAS)
- Drop payloads of mock fire retardant in targets at locations of interest to show proof of concept of a fire prevention UAS

Mission Challenges

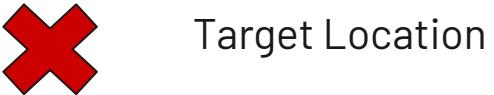
- Deploy water payload within 1 meter accuracy of 3 given target locations in 20 minutes
- Autonomous takeoff, flight, and landing capabilities, with ability for human-in-the-loop takeover
- Support at least 5 pounds of payload through takeoff and flight



FLAME Autonomous Firefighting UAS High Level ConOps



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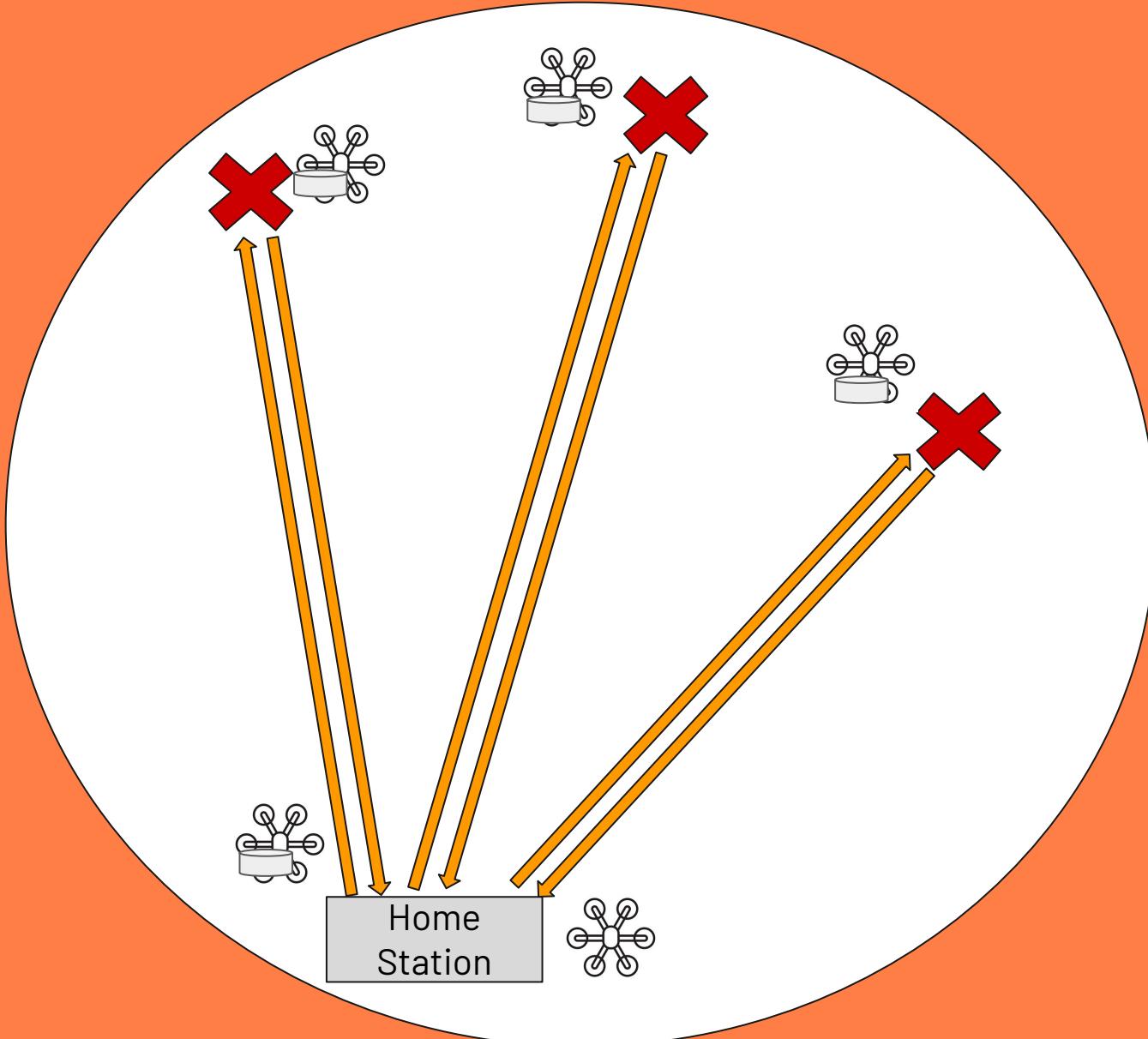


Target Location



Autonomous Travel

- 100 meter diameter mission zone
- Given a home base location within mission zone
- Given GPS coordinates of three target locations
- Travel to target location
- Deploy payload
- Return to home station
- Ground team reloads a new 5 pound payload
- Repeat for 2 additional target locations

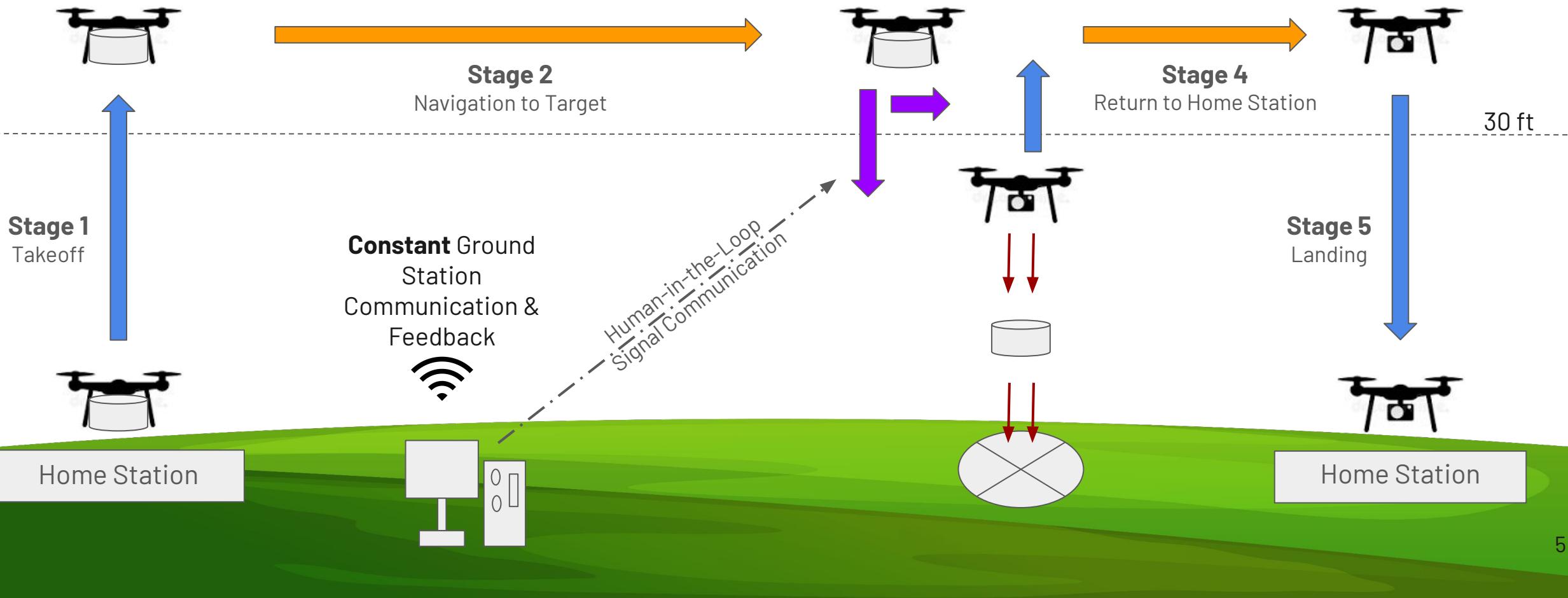


FLAME Autonomous Firefighting UAS Low-Level ConOps



Legend:

- Autonomous Vertical Motion
- Autonomous Horizontal Motion
- Human-in-loop Adjusted Motion (Horizontal and/or Vertical)
- Payload Delivery



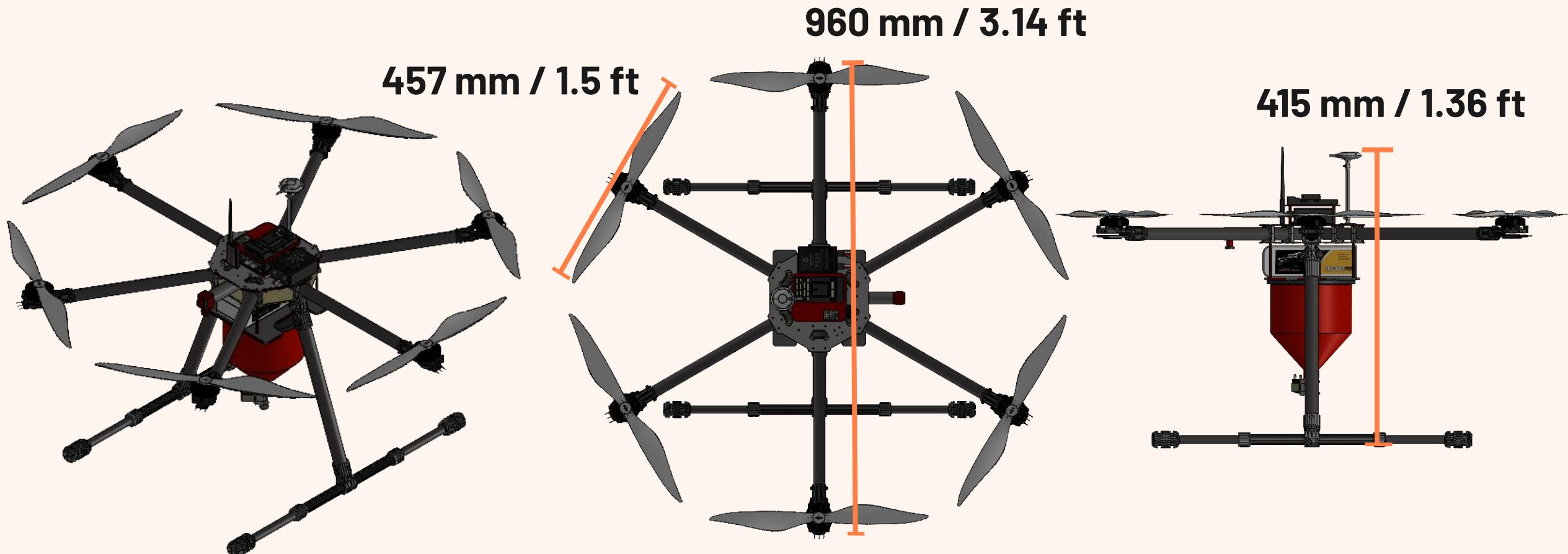


Key Driving Requirements

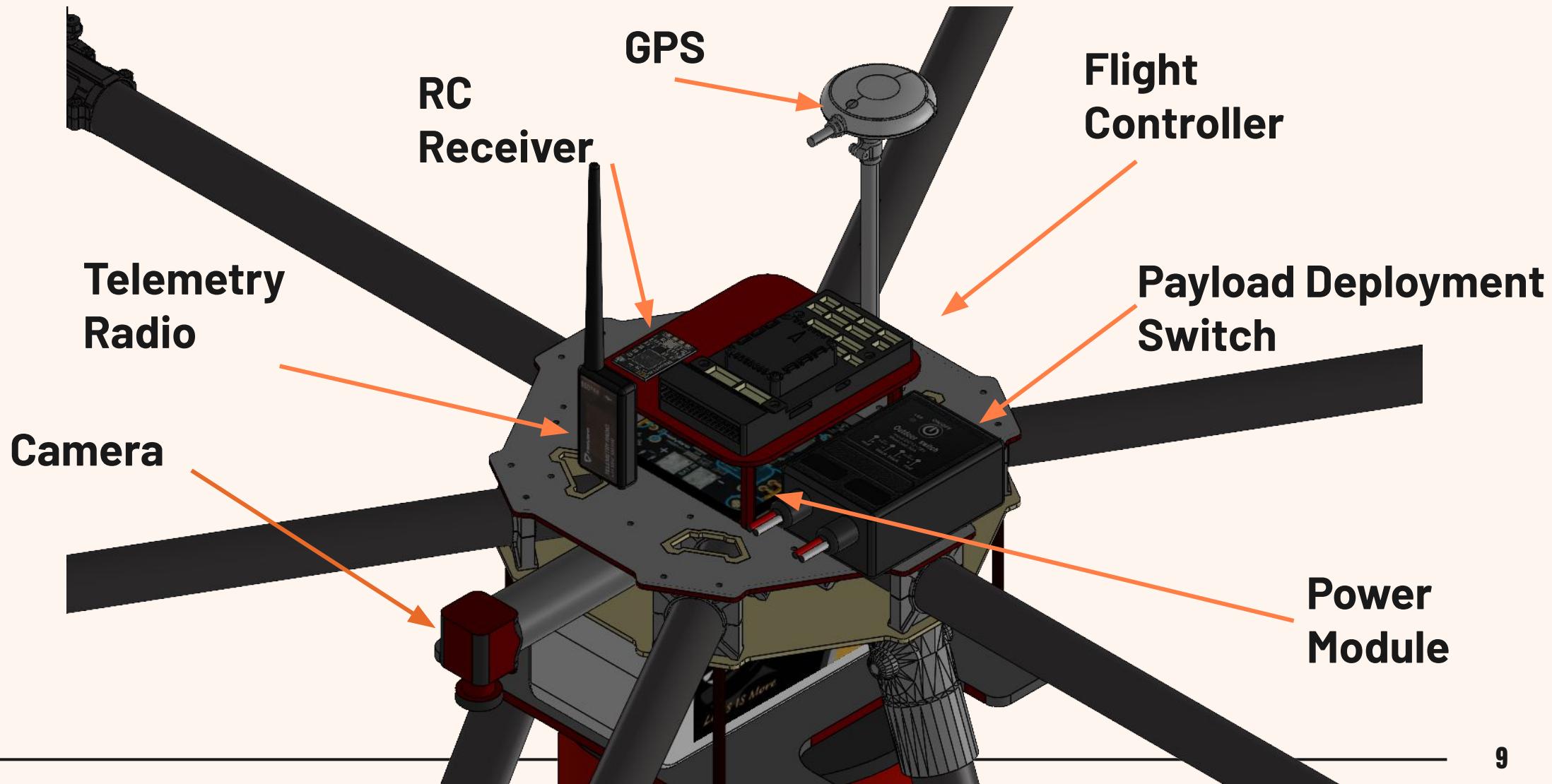
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FR 2.1	The UAS shall be able to carry and deploy 5 pounds of payload per target location
FR 3.1	The system shall utilize human-in-the-loop to navigate from 10 meters RMS accuracy to 1 meter from target location
FR 3.5	The system shall deploy the payload and have it land within +/- 1 meter accuracy of target location

Design Solution

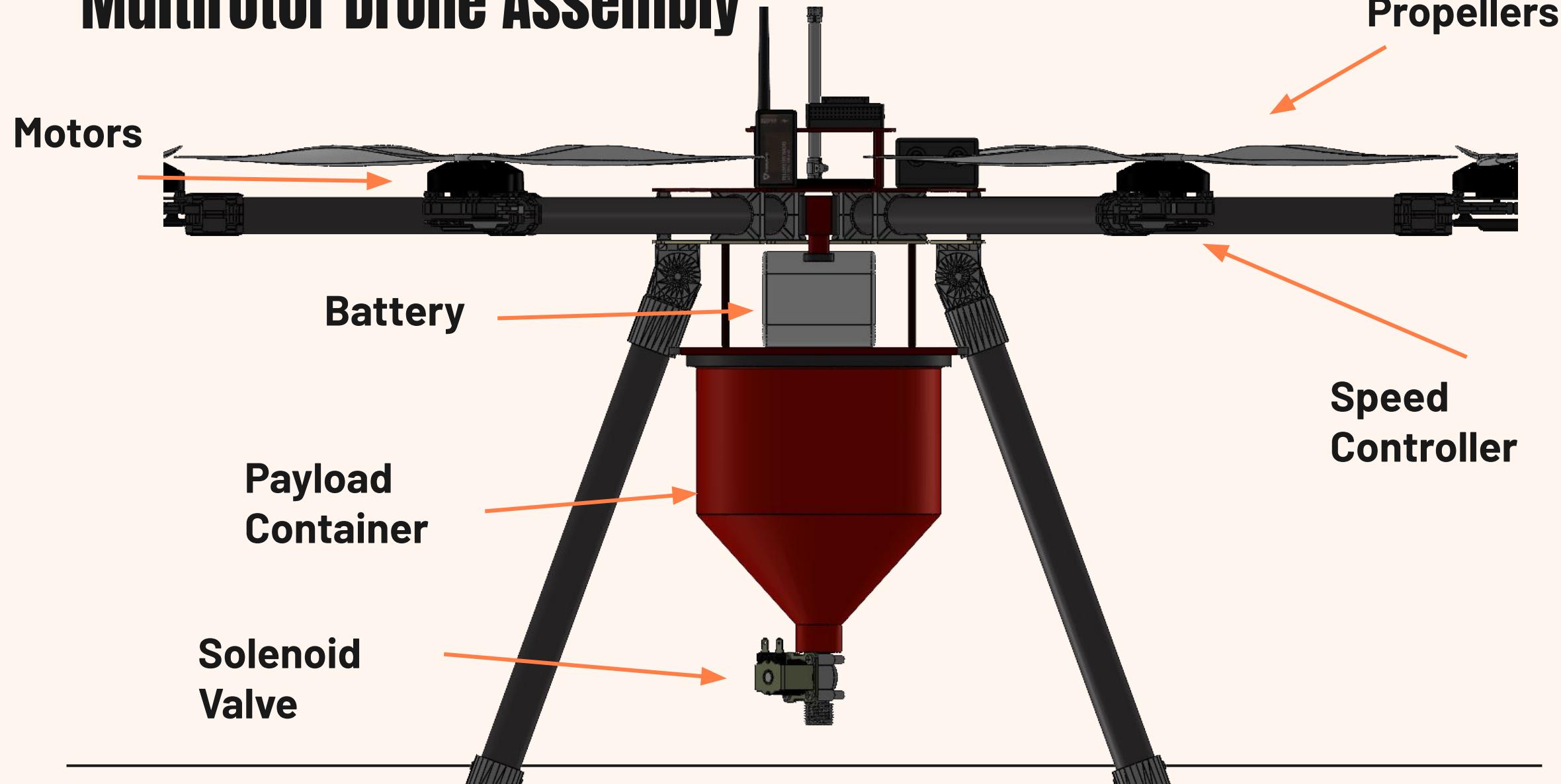
Multirotor Drone Assembly



Multirotor Drone Assembly



Multirotor Drone Assembly





System Overview: Mass Budget

- **Max Mass**
 - 22.67 kg (**50 lbs**) requirement
- **Modeling Section Assumptions**
 - **10.5 kg** to leave room for additional 3D printed components and wiring
 - **0.75 kg (1.65 lbs)** deemed to be enough buffer
 - Will take ~10% extra payload

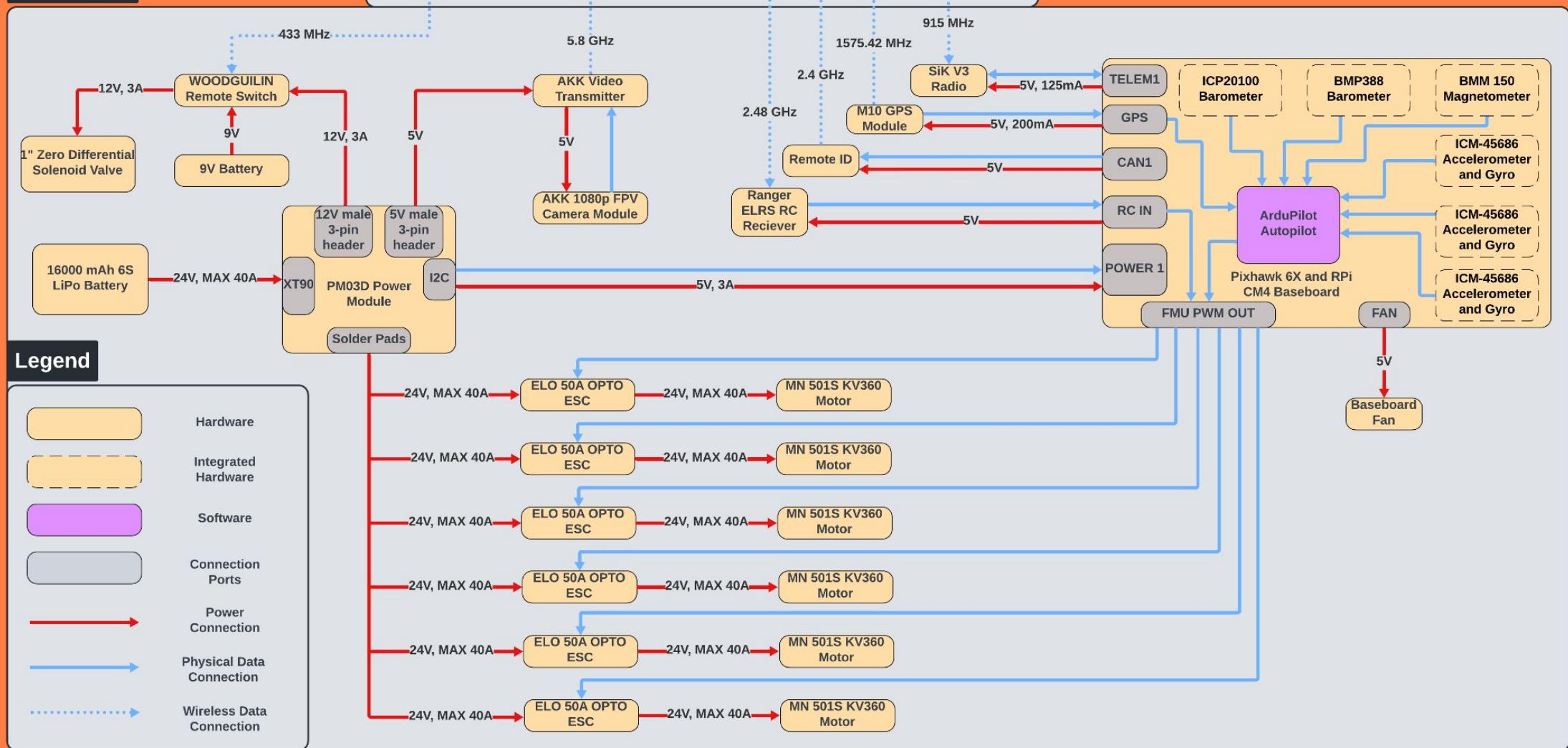
Subsystem	Mass (kg)
Power	2.05
Communications	0.03
Control	0.46
Propulsion	1.54
Payload Deployment	1.37
Airframe/Structure	1.8
Sensing	0.1
Total	7.35
Total with Payload	~9.75

*Component level mass breakdown can be found in backup slides

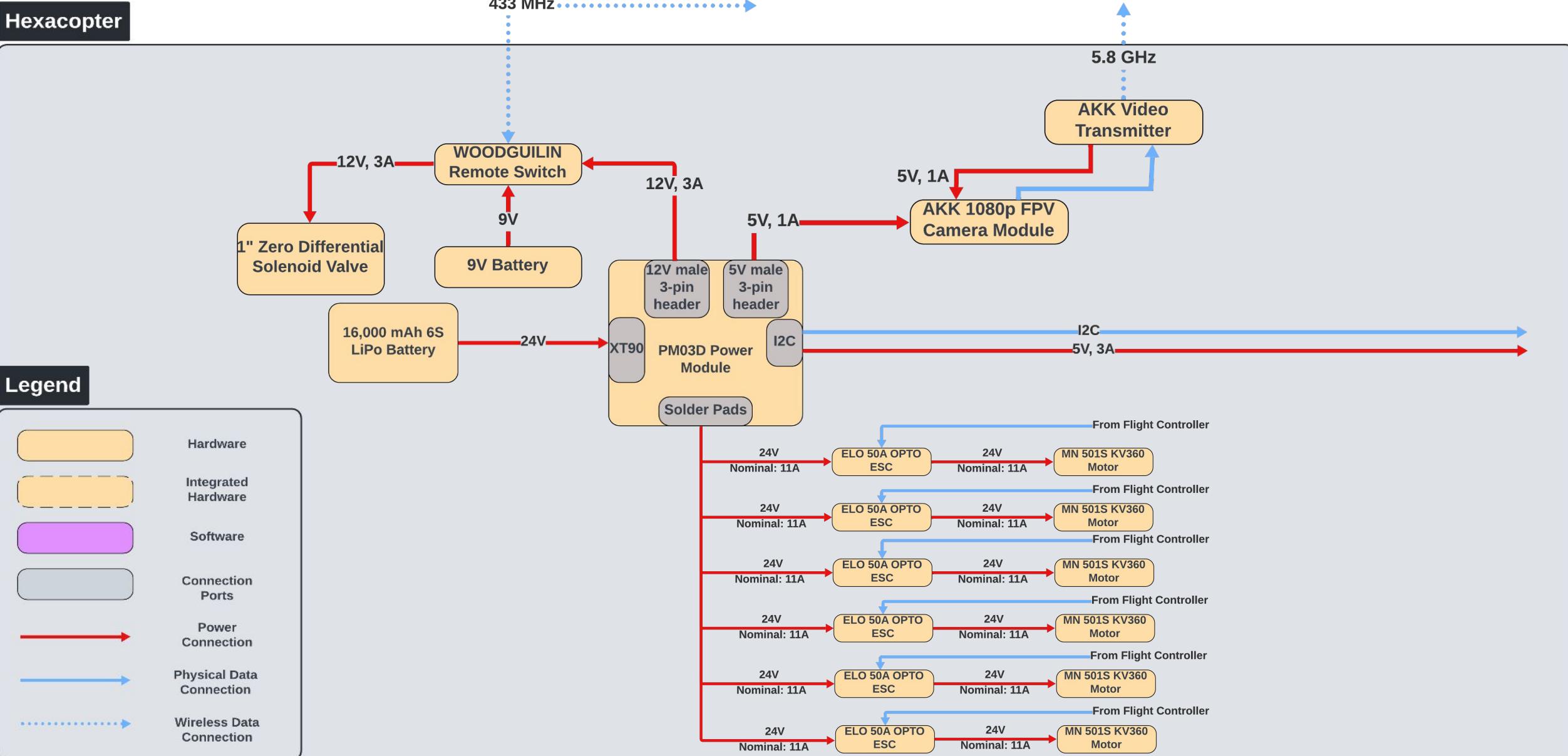
FBD: Final



Hexacopter



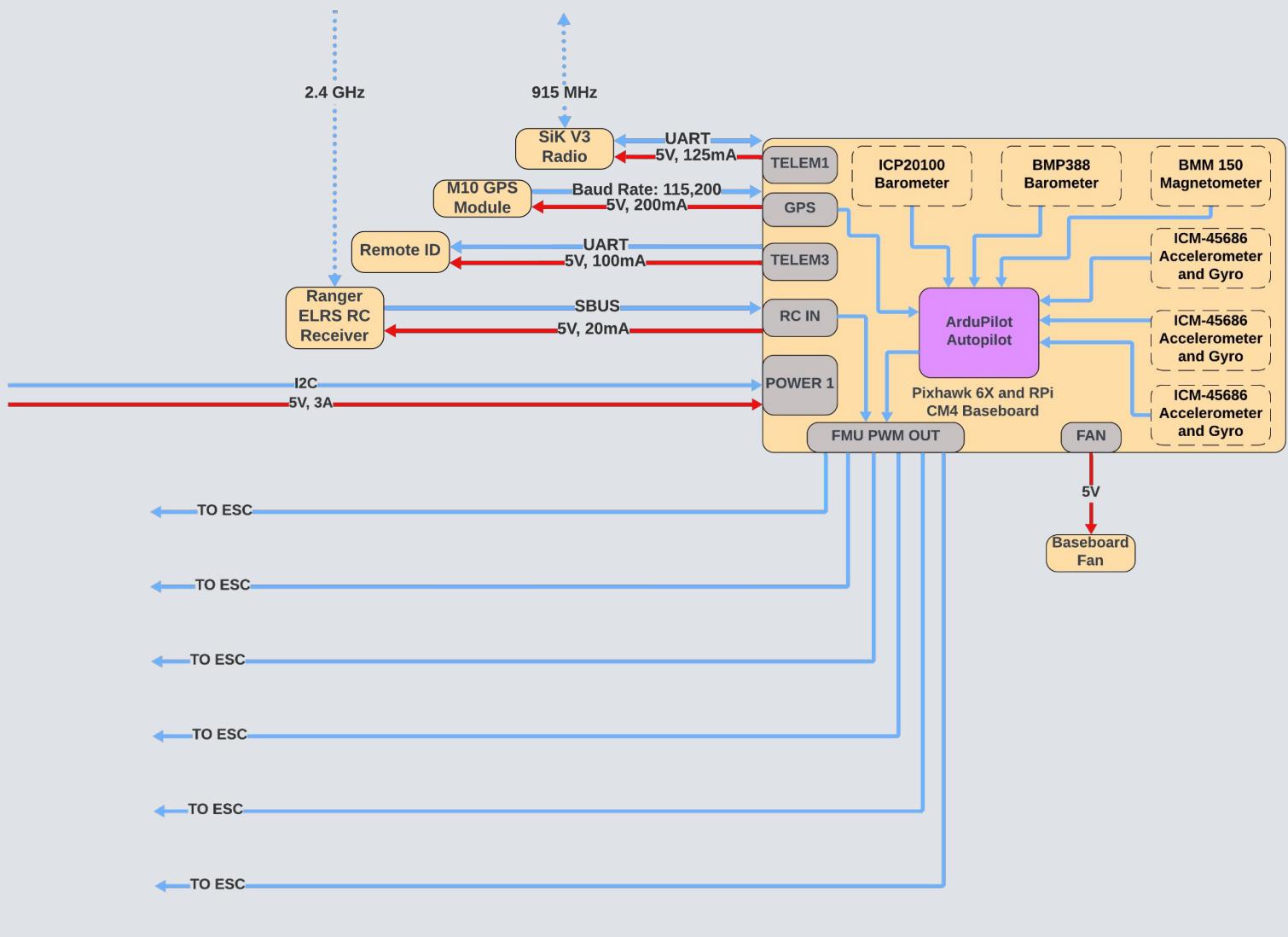
FBD: Hexacopter Breakdown Part 1



FBD: Hexacopter Breakdown Part 2



Hexacopter



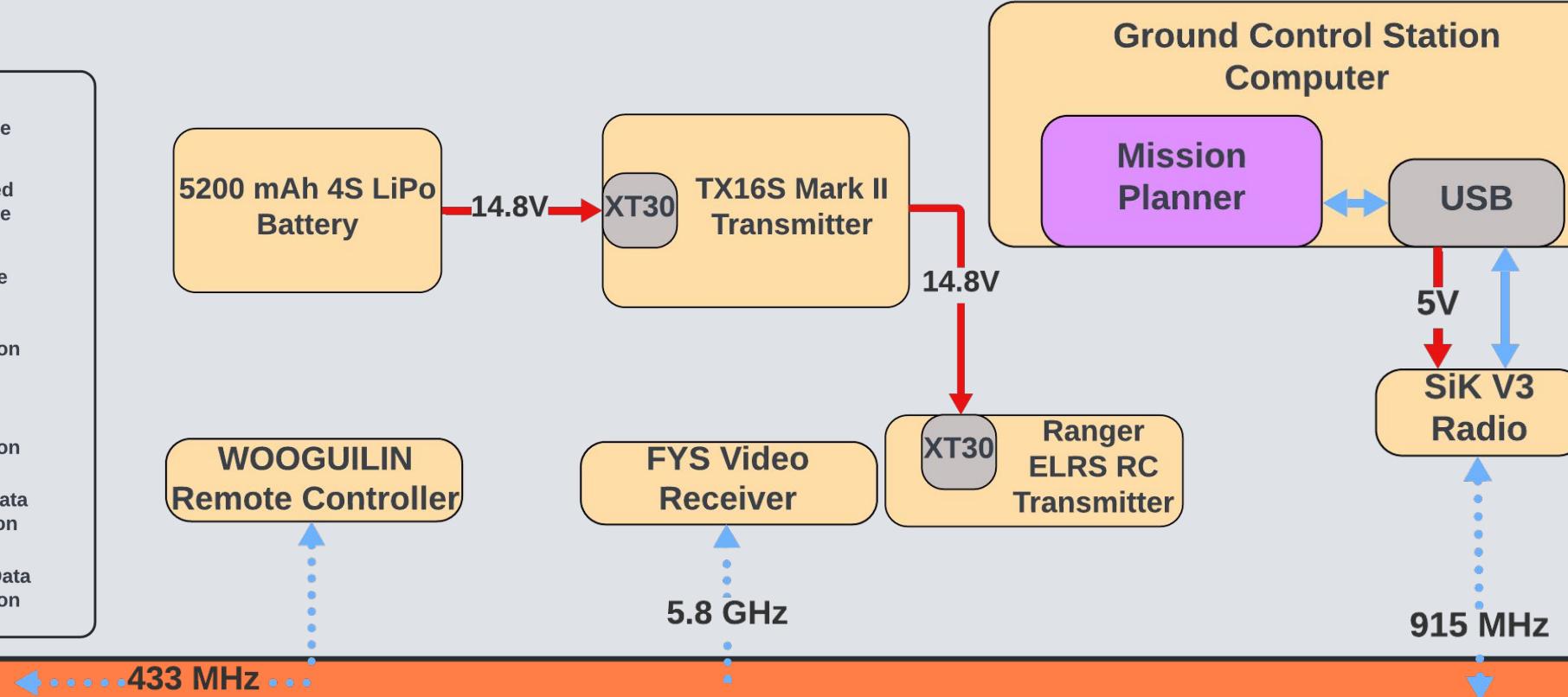
FBD: Ground Control Station Breakdown



Ground Control Station

Legend

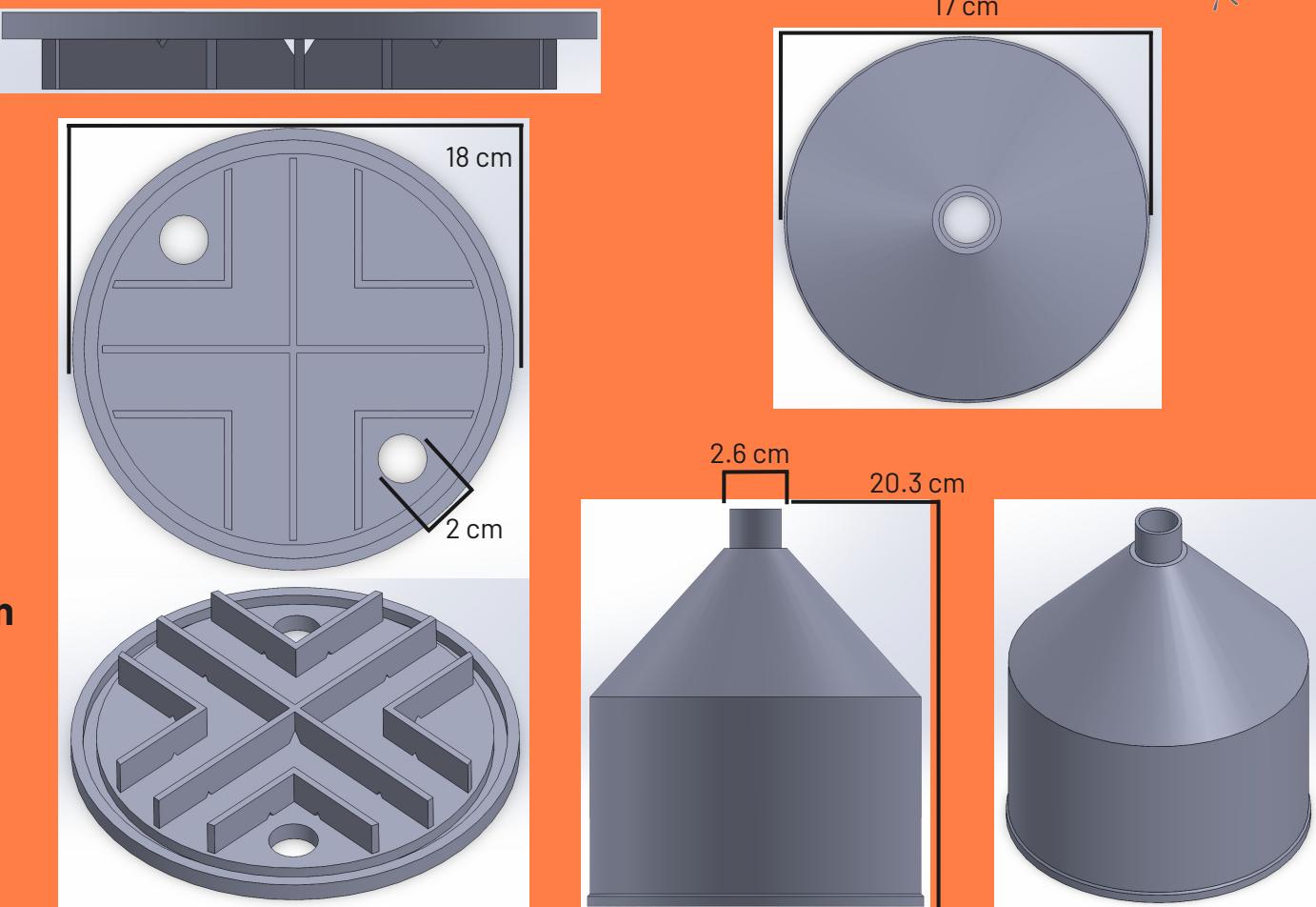
	Hardware
	Integrated Hardware
	Software
	Connection Ports
	Power Connection
	Physical Data Connection
	Wireless Data Connection



Payload Deployment Subsystem: Container



- ~10 % Payload Margin
- **Payload Stability / Fluid Flow**
 - Baffles
 - Angled walls to promote outflow
 - Airflow/Fill Ports
- **Manufacturing Constraints - 3D Printing**
 - Overhang <50 degrees
 - Minimize support material
- **Structural Analysis - Design Space Optimization**
 - Minimize surface area (container mass)
 - Minimize moment of inertia
- **Airframe Integration**
 - To be completed after airframe delivery



Cylinder Height	Total Height	Slant Angle	Top Radius	Bottom Radius	Contained Payload Volume	PLA Volume	Estimated PLA Density	Estimated PLA Mass	Estimated Total Mass
9.94 cm	16 cm	48 deg	8 cm	1.27 cm	2,479 cm ³	255 cm ³	1.24 g/cm ³	316 g	2,735 g

Payload Deployment Subsystem: Deployment Mechanism

Remote Switch



Solenoid Valve



1" NPT - Schedule 40 Slip Coupling



Vinyl Tubing



Control Subsystem: Software Selections

- ArduPilot and Mission Planner
 - Compatible
 - Documentation
- Capabilities
 - Save and load mission profiles
 - Simulation-In-The-Loop
- Mission Planner Commands
 - Takeoff
 - Waypoint travel
 - Altitude Hold
 - Return to launch
 - Land

Software Selections	
Use	Software
Autopilot	ArduPilot
Mission Planning	Mission Planner



The screenshot shows the Mission Planner software interface. At the top, there is a menu bar with options like FLIGHT DATA, FLIGHT PLAN, INITIAL SETUP, CONFIG/TUNING, SIMULATION, TERMINAL, HELP, and DONATE. Below the menu is a toolbar with icons for flight logs, globe, configuration, simulation, terminal, help, and donation. The main area features a map view of a terrain with a flight plan plotted as a yellow line with numbered waypoints (1 through 5). A red dot indicates the current vehicle position. To the right of the map is a sidebar with various controls and status information. The sidebar includes fields for 'Action' (set to GEO), coordinates (-35.040907, 117.832747, 11.40), and map options (Grid, View KML, Google Satellite Map). It also has buttons for 'Load W/P File', 'Save W/P File', 'Read WPs', 'Write WPs', and 'Home Location'. At the bottom, there is a table titled 'Waypoints' with columns for Command, WP Radius, Loiter Radius, Default Alt, Absolute Alt, Verify Height, Alt Warn, Lat, Long, Alt, Delete, Up, Down, Grad %, Dist, and AZ.

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1	WAYPOINT	2	0	0	0	-35.0407928	117.8277898	100	X		95.7	104.5	1				
2	WAYPOINT	2	0	0	0	-35.0406786	117.8260410	100	X		0.0	159.7	275				
3	WAYPOINT	2	0	0	0	-35.0417239	117.8251612	100	X		0.0	141.2	215				
4	WAYPOINT	2	0	0	0	-35.0428395	117.8259873	100	X		0.0	145.1	149				
5	WAYPOINT	2	0	0	0	-35.0427165	117.8274572	100	X		0.0	134.5	84				

Control Subsystem: Human Control

- **Human-in-the-Loop (HITL)**
 - Human control within 10m of target
 - Human takeover
- **PixHawk 6X**
 - Automatic switch to HITL at target
 - Automatic control gains
- **Video Receiver**
 - Allow visual connection with human and target
- **Telemetry**
 - Concurrent position, dynamic and mission data



Video Transmitter



Telemetry Antenna

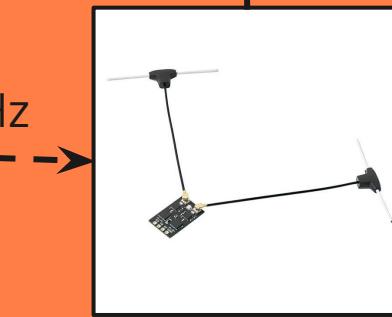


Remote Switch



Motors

Pixhawk 6x Flight Controller



RC Receiver

Power Subsystem: Onboard Batteries



- **Main power supply**
 - LiPo 6S (24V), 16000 mAh, max 40A, 30C discharge rate
 - XT90 Connector
 - Powers entire drone
 - 1988 g / 4.3 lbs
- **Remote switch power supply**
 - Standard 9V battery
 - Powers solenoid switch

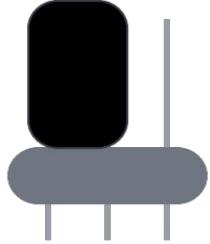


Power Subsystem: PM03D



XT90 Connector to 6S (24V)
LiPo battery with 10 AWG wire
and max peak current of 40A

Configure male 3-pin header
to 12V with header jumper



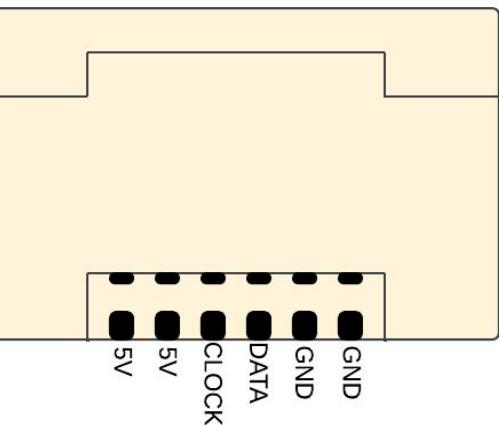
5V or 12V
GND
5V 3-pin male header to
camera and video transmitter
(left)

12V 3-pin male header to
remote switch & Solenoid
valve (right)

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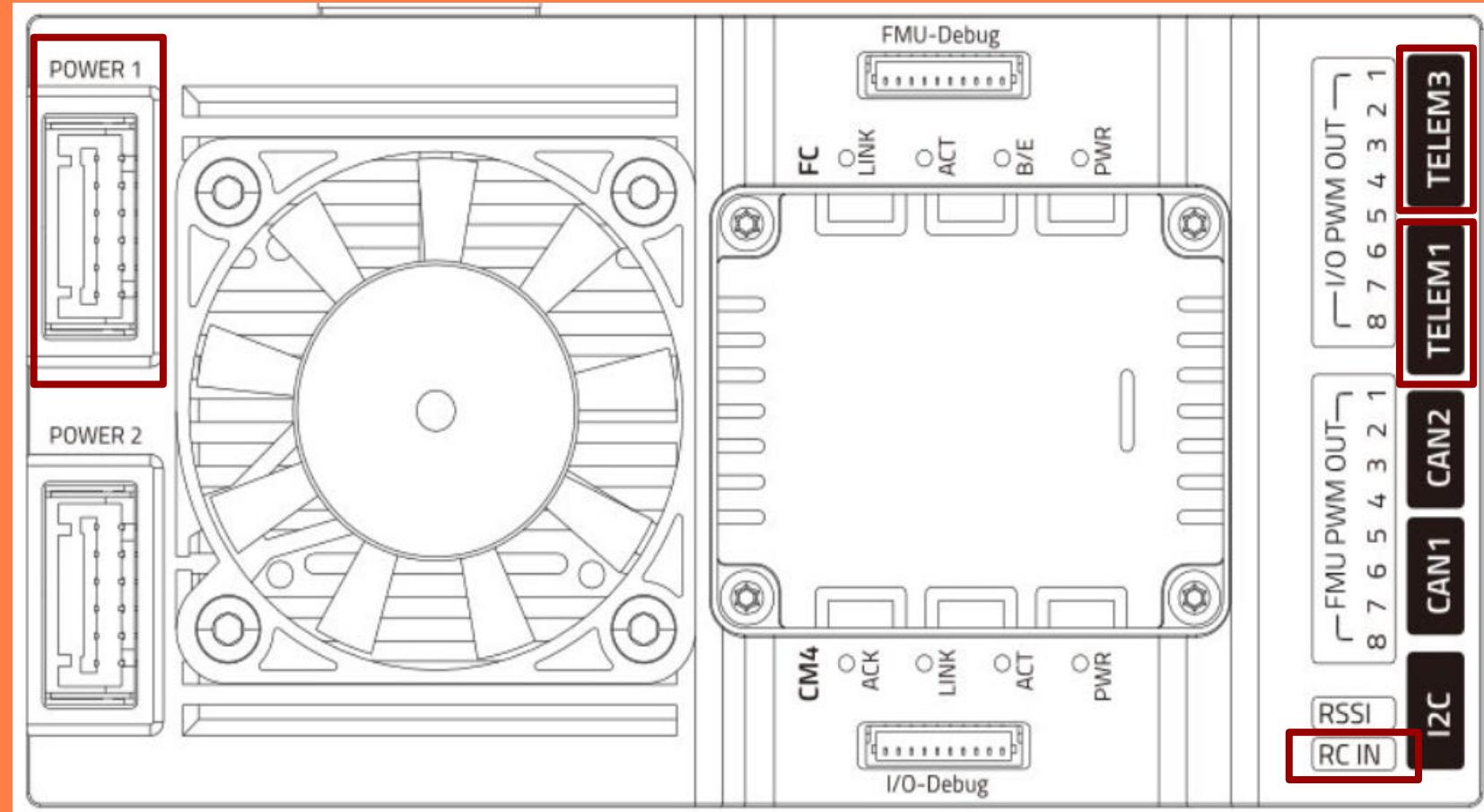
Solder pads to ESCs and
motors, outputs battery
voltage of 24V and max
peak current of 40A



I2C digital signal data output and
Pixhawk 6X power (5V) with JST
GH receptacle connector

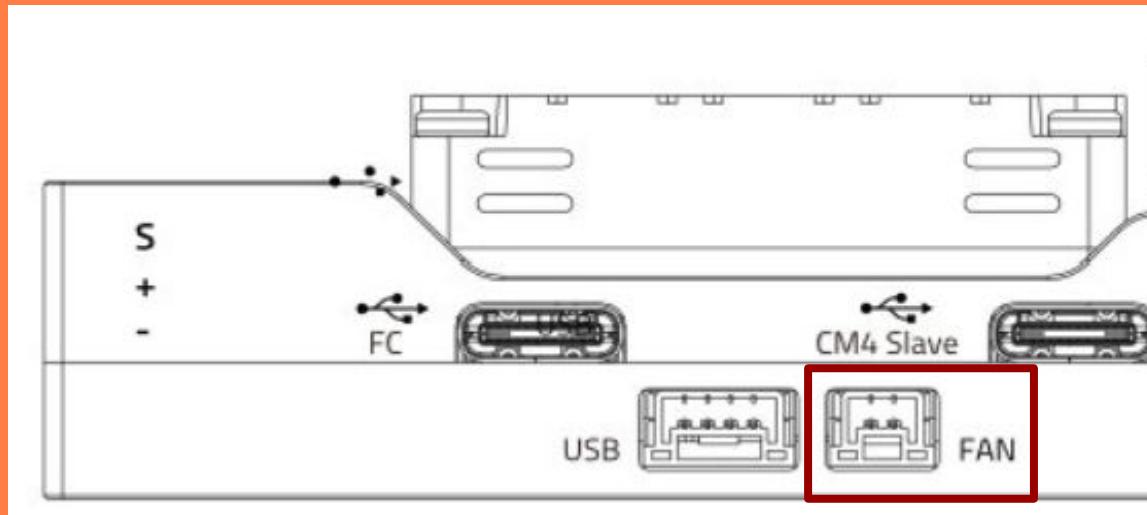
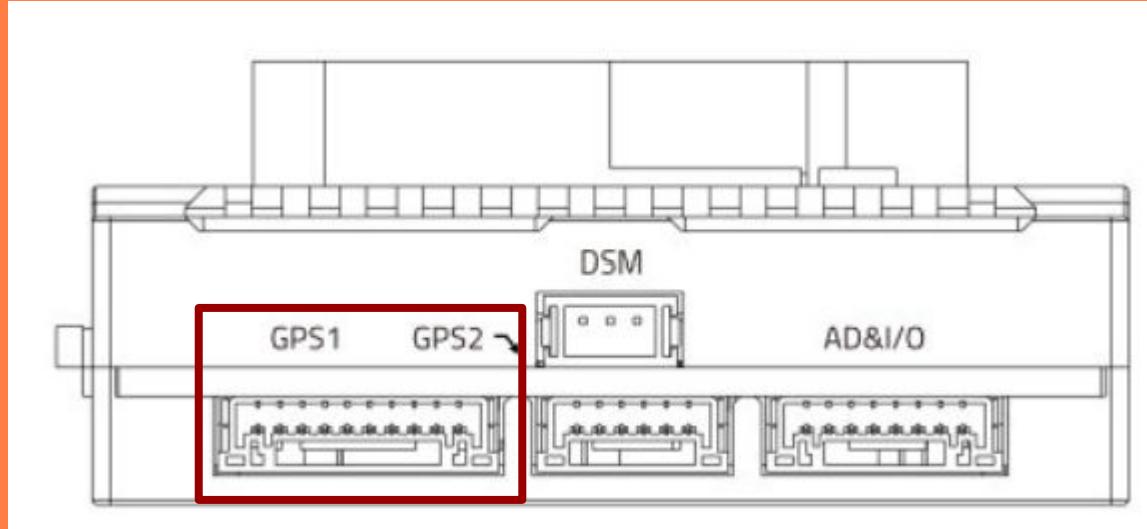
Power Subsystem: Pixhawk 6X and RPi CM4 Baseboard

- **POWER 1**
 - Input power from PM03D
- **RC IN**
 - Powers RC receiver with 5V pin
- **TELEM1**
 - Powers SiK V3 Radio with 5V pin
- **TELEM3**
 - Powers Remote ID with 5V pin



Power Subsystem: Pixhawk 6X and RPi CM4 Baseboard

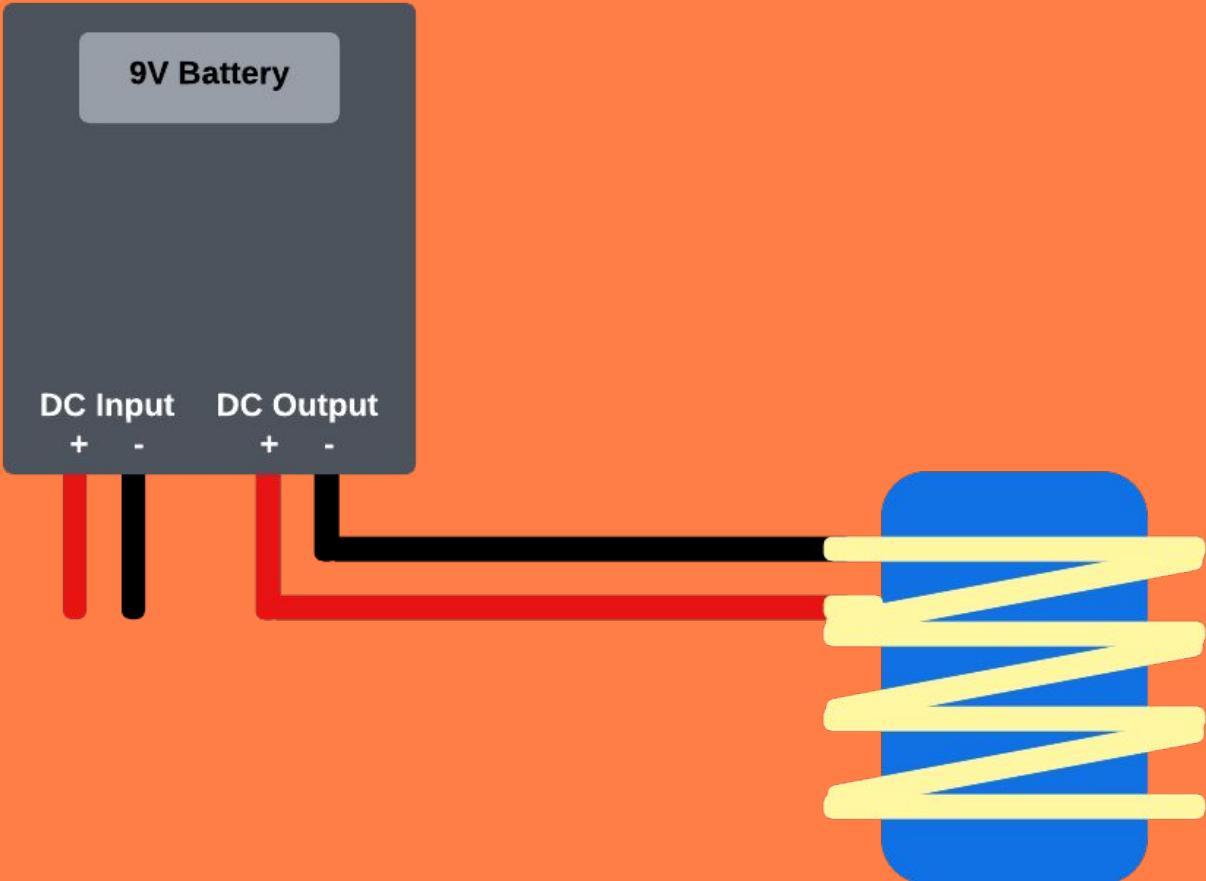
- **GPS1**
 - Powers M10 GPS module with 5V pin
- **FAN**
 - Powers baseboard cooling fan with 5V pin
- **Connections**
 - All connections are JST GH receptacle connectors



Power Subsystem: Remote Switch and Solenoid Valve



- **Remote Switch Power**
 - 9V battery
- **How it works**
 - 12V input to switch from PM03D male 3-pin header
 - Normally closed valve
 - Ground operator closes the switch, the connection is made to solenoid valve, retracting the plunger



Engineering Modeling



Engineering Models

Model	Impacts	Requirements
Energy Consumption Analysis	Rotor count, battery selection, motor selection, propeller selection	FR 1.4, FR 2.1, DR 2.1.1, DR 3.1.1, DR 3.2.1
Flight Dynamics/Stability	Mission leg times for mission performance model	FR 1.2, FR 1.3, FR 1.5, DR 5.1.1, DR 5.3.1
Payload Deployment Time	Payload deployment times for mission performance model	FR 1.4, DR 1.7
Payload Container Size	Container dimensions, container material, attachment method	DR 1.1.3, DR 6.2.2, DR 7.2.3



Key Requirements

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Critical Risks Reduced

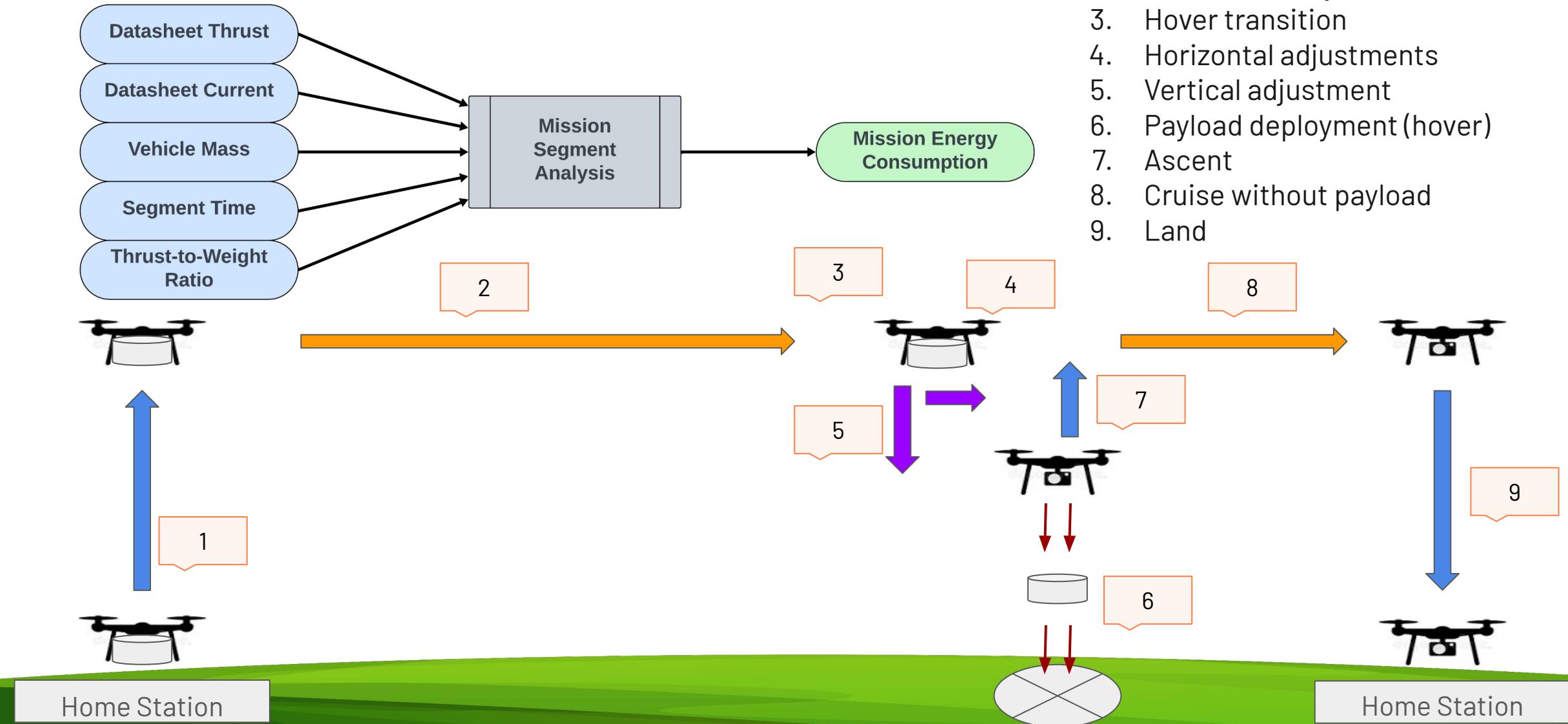
- **Mission Feasibility**
 - Energy consumption for mission segments
 - Battery capacity
 - Battery power
- **Known Dimensions and Values**
 - Battery size and weight
- **Risks Reduced**
 - Know the dimensions of aircraft
 - Know the energy consumed during mission legs
 - Weight criteria hit

Energy Consumption Analysis Model



Mission Segments:

1. Takeoff
2. Cruise with Payload
3. Hover transition
4. Horizontal adjustments
5. Vertical adjustment
6. Payload deployment (hover)
7. Ascent
8. Cruise without payload
9. Land



Model Uncertainty

- **Motor thrust values**
 - Unknown test altitude of motor datasheet data
 - Multiply datasheet thrust values by ratio of air densities of Boulder and sea-level

$$T_{alt} = T_{data} \frac{\rho_{alt}}{\rho_{s.l.}} = 0.85 T_{data}$$

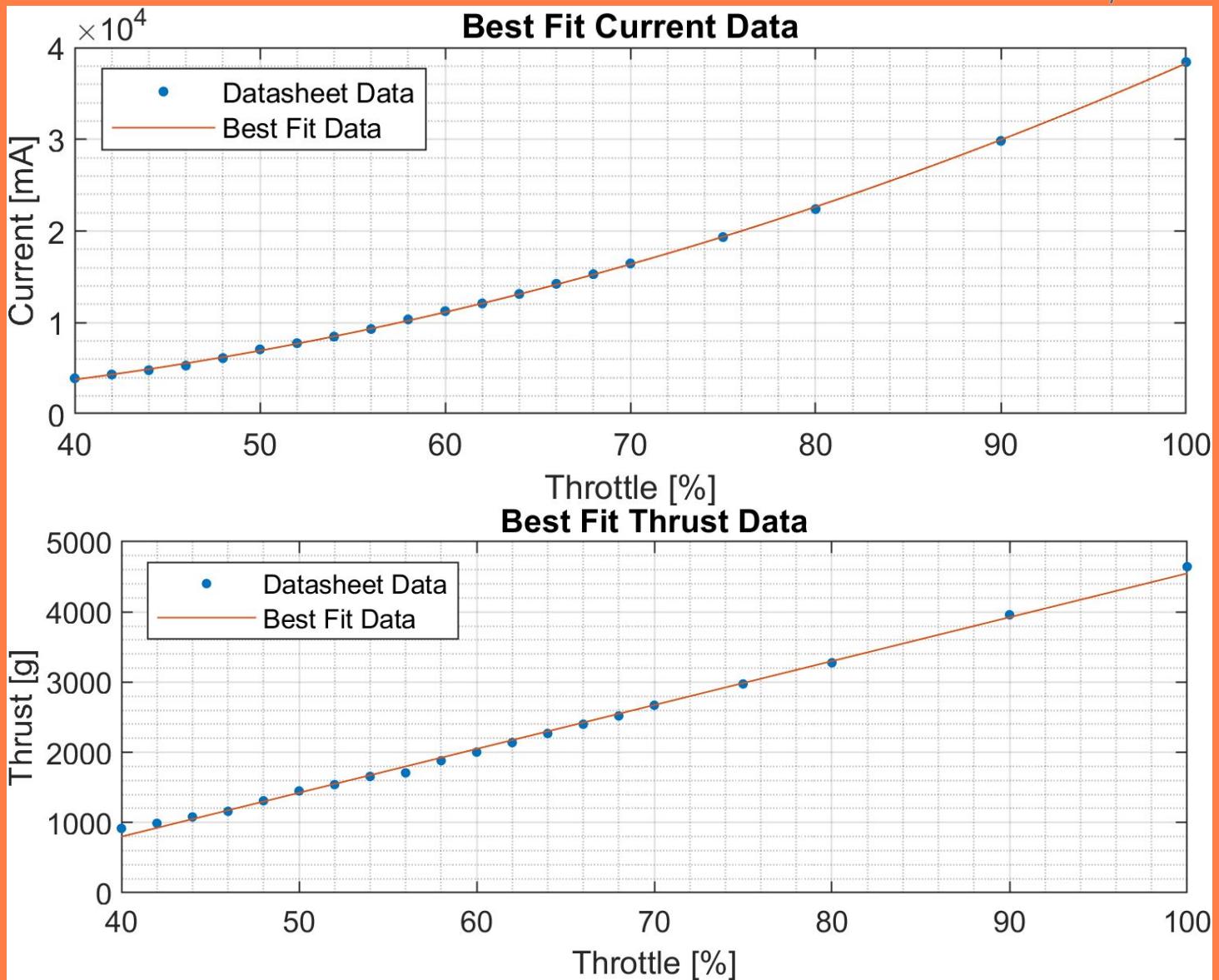
- **Human-in-the-loop (HITL) segment times**
 - Dynamics model cannot account for time lengths of the HITL segments
 - Allowed for 60 seconds for HITL segments

Motor Datasheet



- **Datasheet data**
 - Current draw and thrust values for discrete throttle percentages
- **Least Squares Fitting**
 - Allows us to pull data point between given throttle percents
- **Tested Different Motors**
 - Final selection largely affected by availability

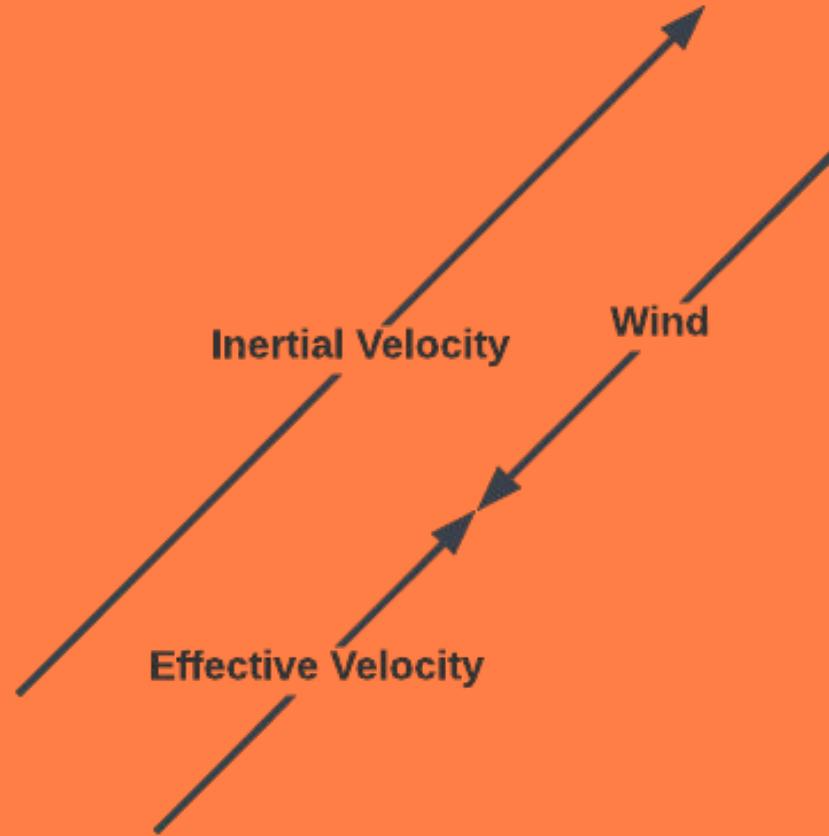
Motor	Energy Consumption (4/6/8 rotors) [Wh]	Cost (per motor)
MN4110 KV 340	379/279/242	\$86.99
MN501-S KV 380	356/291/272	\$99.90
MN505-S KV 360	358/306/295	\$109.90



Modeling Wind

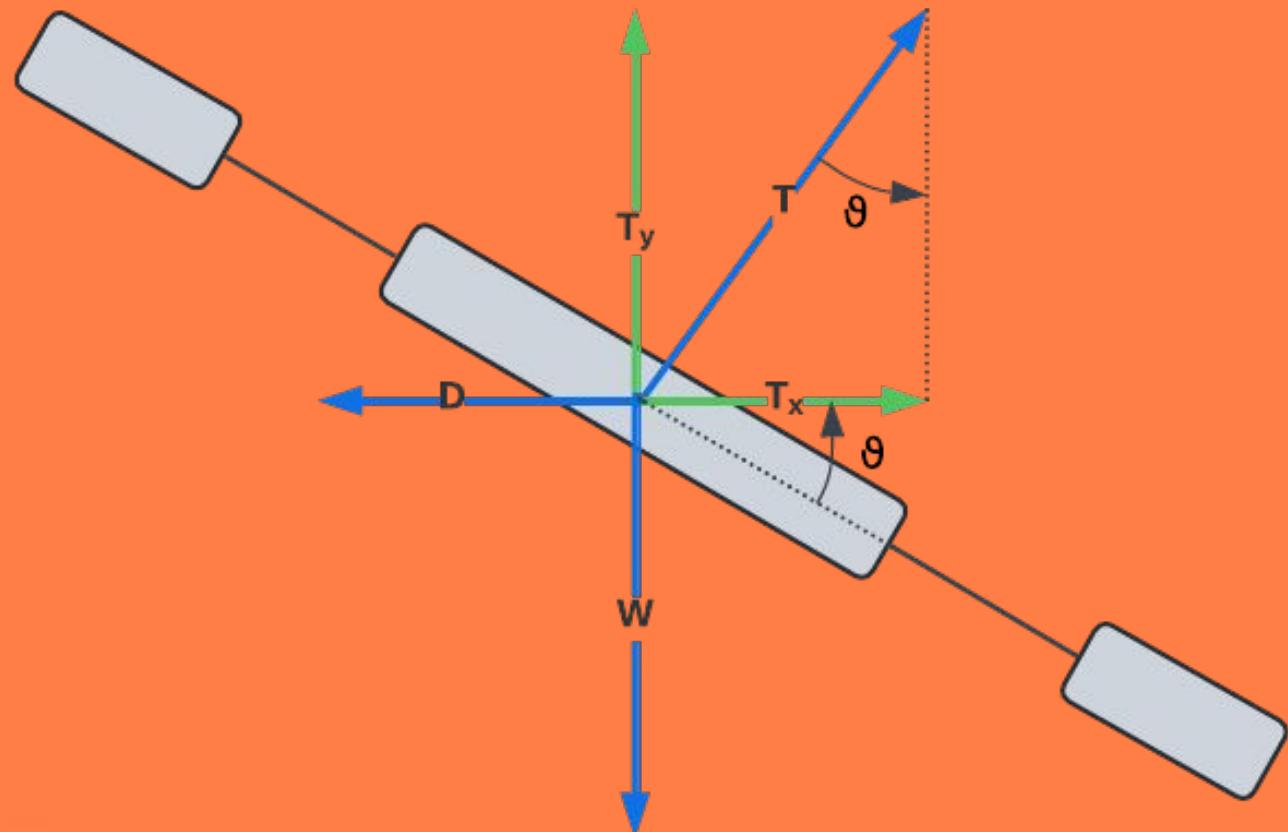


- **Assumed worst case scenario**
 - A headwind directly opposing vehicle velocity vector
- **Boulder average wind conditions**
 - Max of 10 mph from January-April
- **To account for wind**
 - Lowered desired velocity by 10 mph (4.47 m/s) in model



Modeling Drag

- **Assumed: Steady, level, unaccelerated flight**
 - Horizontal thrust equal to drag
 - Horizontal thrust dependent on tilt angle
 - Simplify drag equation for aerodynamic force coefficient, ν
- **Accounting for drag**
 - Within dynamics model
 - Nu: ν
 - Very small (approximately 0.005)
 - Drag considered negligible



At maximum velocity:

$$T_x = D = \frac{1}{2} \rho C_D A V^2 = \nu V^2$$

Thrust-to-Weight and Velocity

- **Thrust to Weight Ratio**
 - Not an input parameter for ArduPilot
- **Maximum Tilt Angle**
 - Set to 10 degrees
 - This is the smallest maximum tilt angle for ArduPilot
- **Modeled Equations:**
 - Assuming negligible drag, no wind, symmetrical thrust, steady and level flight, and no shift in center of mass

Tilt angle Required to maintain constant T/W ratio:

$$\frac{T}{W} = \sec \theta$$

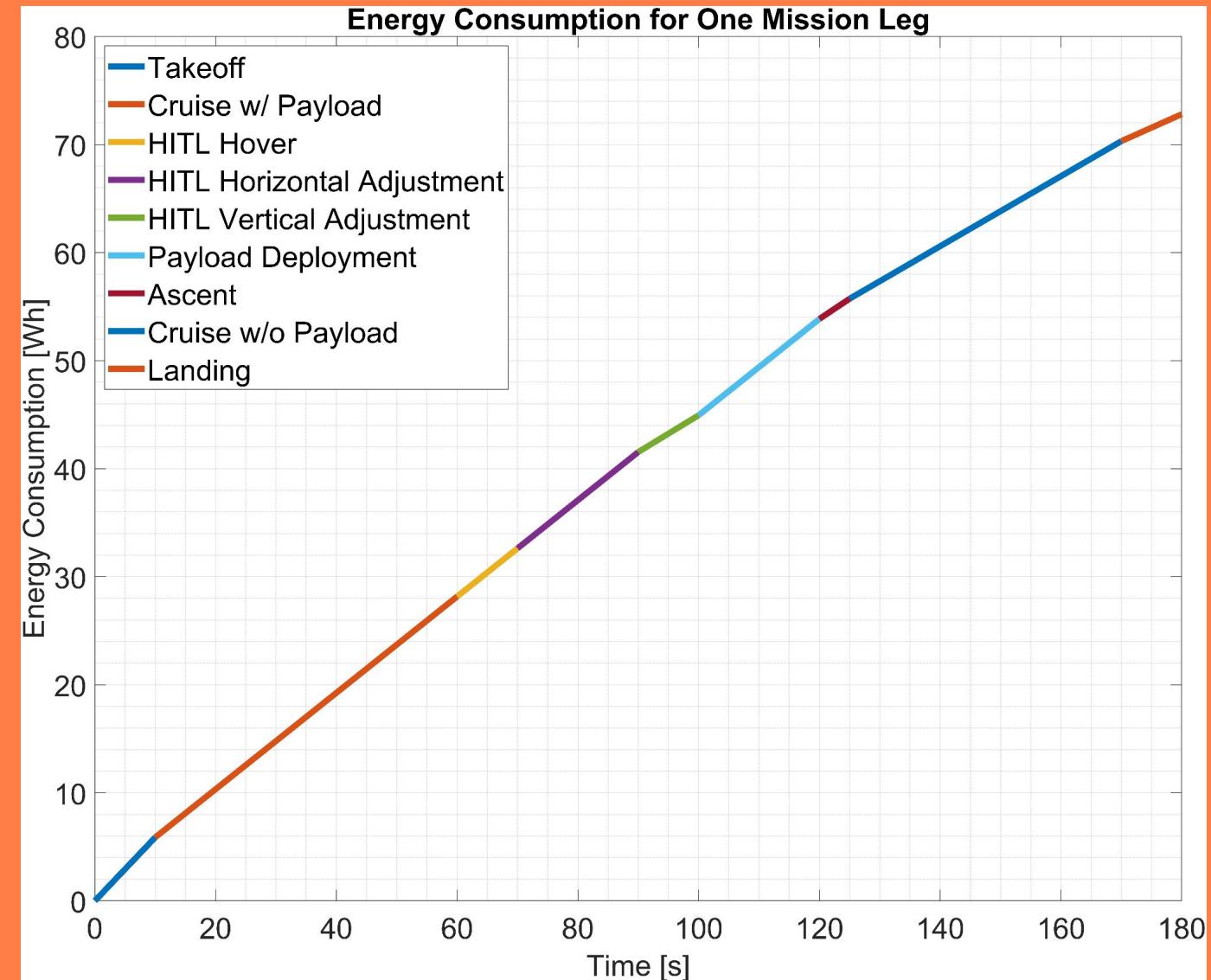
Velocity as a function of time for given tilt angle and T/W ratio:

$$v(t) = \frac{T}{W} * t \sin \theta$$

Model Results: Mission Performance of Hexacopter

- One mission leg results (100 m)
 - 72.8 Wh per mission leg
 - Multiply total by four to represent the total number mission legs with an extra for a buffer
 - 180 seconds per mission leg
 - 12 minutes for entire mission
 - 8 minutes of reloading
 - <1 minute of reloading per mission leg is expected
- Account for battery Depth of Discharge (DoD)
 - Typically ~85%
 - Gives us battery energy capacity of 342.6 Wh
 - 16,000 mAh 6S LiPo = 355.2 Wh

$$E_{batt} = \frac{E_{mission}}{DoD}$$





Back to Key Requirements

- **Model Results**

- 16,000 mAh battery can support entire mission with buffer
- Within time limit
- Motor/propeller pair selection can deliver sufficient thrust within range

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Spring Plans



Remaining Tests

Tests	Requirements Fulfilled
Rotor Thrust Evaluation	FR 1.1, 1.4, 1.5, 2.2,
Payload Deployment	FR 2.1, 3.5
GPS Accuracy	FR 3.1, DR 1.2
Battery Capacity/Flight Time	FR 1.1, 1.4
RC Control	FR 3.1, DR 1.5
Autonomous Flight	FR 1.2, 1.3, DR 1.2



Spring Schedule

Task	Assigned To	Progress	Start	End	Task	Assigned To	Progress	Start	End
Component Procurement/Fabrication					Testing				
Airframe		0%	1/16/25	2/1/25	Rotors		0%	1/23/25	2/26/25
Battery		0%	1/16/25	2/1/25	Battery		0%	1/23/25	2/26/25
Payload Container		0%	1/16/25	2/16/25	Remote Controller		0%	1/23/25	3/5/25
Rotors		0%	1/16/25	2/1/25	Autonomous Flight		0%	2/20/25	4/1/25
Propellers		0%	1/16/25	2/1/25	GPS		0%	1/30/25	3/5/25
GPS Sensor		0%	1/23/25	2/20/25	Payload Deployment System		0%	2/20/25	4/1/25
Telemetry Receiver/Transmitter		0%	1/23/25	2/20/25	Final System		0%	2/27/25	4/14/25
Visual Feedback Sensor		0%	1/23/25	2/20/25	Integration				
Payload Deployment System		0%	1/23/25	2/20/25	Software Avionics		0%	2/1/25	3/14/25
					Avionics Structure		0%	2/20/25	3/14/25
					Final System		0%	3/14/25	4/14/25



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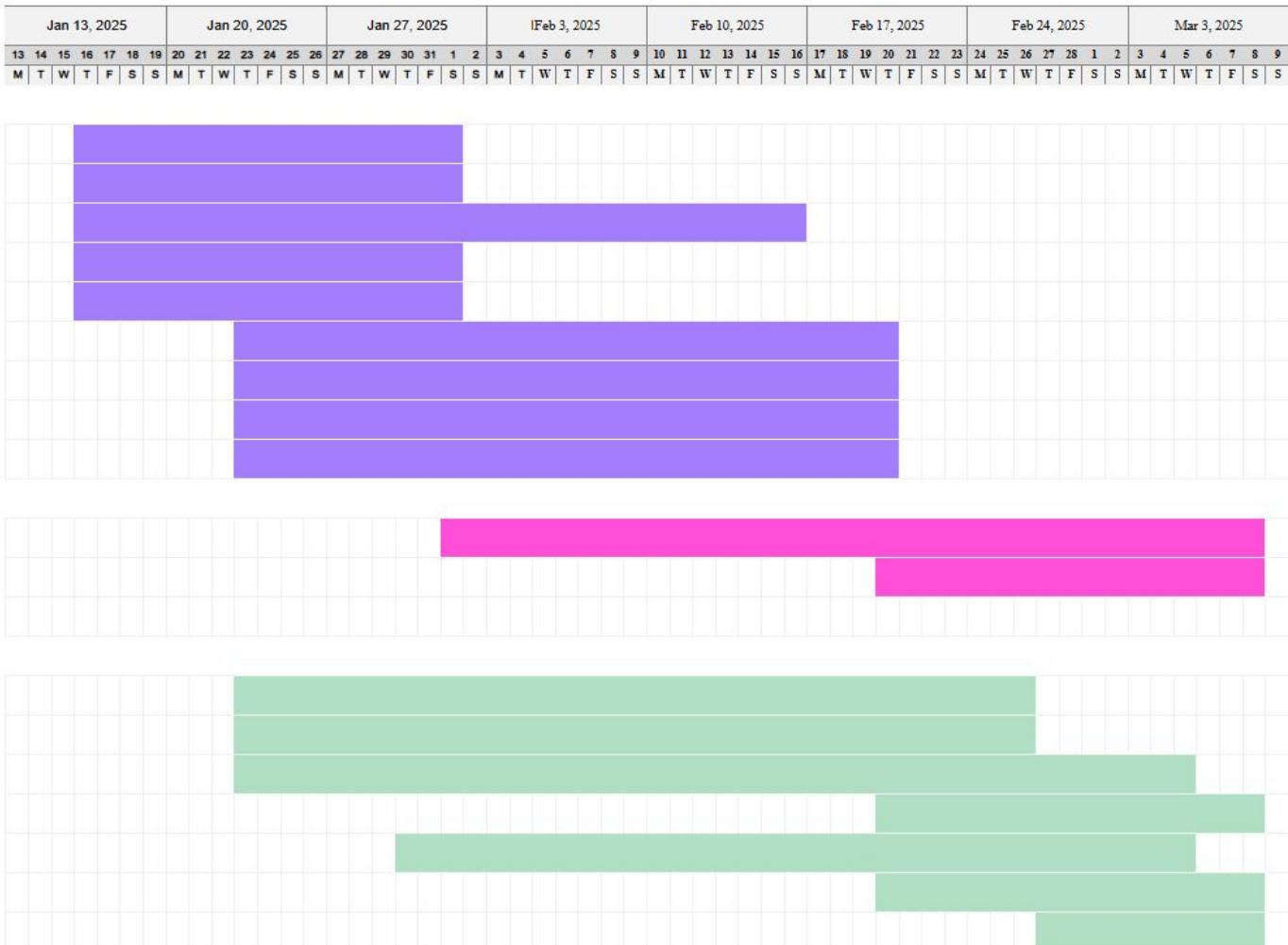
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Spring Semester Progress Tracking

Project start: **Thu, 1/16/2025**

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Battery		0%	1/16/25	2/1/25
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Propellers		0%	1/16/25	2/1/25
GPS Sensor		0%	1/23/25	2/20/25
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Testing				
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Battery		0%	1/23/25	2/26/25
Remote Controller		0%	1/23/25	3/5/25
Autonomous Flight		0%	2/20/25	4/1/25
GPS		0%	1/30/25	3/5/25
Payload Deployment System		0%	2/20/25	4/1/25
Final System		0%	2/27/25	4/14/25





Critical Remaining Tests

Test	Description	Purpose	Test Location	Required Equipment
Rotor Thrust Evaluation	Measure specific thrust values of individual motor and propellor pairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Validate flight models and mission feasibilityProvide exact values for ArduPilot	Aero Building	Thrust test stand, calibration tools, RCBenchmark GUI
Payload Deployment	Drop payload from drone in flight onto targets	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Determine accuracy of deployment methodValidate complete payload deployment	Flight site	Target(s) and measurement equipment
GPS Accuracy	Compare GPS data with Google Earth coordinates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Validate GPS accuracy	CU South	Ground Station



Risks Associated

- **Human Safety due to moving propellers**
 - Follow CU Flight Ops to prevent accidents and take extreme precautions during testing
 - Internal Safety Review before testing
- **Environmental Impacts**
 - Contain all payload deployments
 - Retrieve any used components during testing



Cost Plan

Phase	Duration	Expected Cost	Allocated Budget	Margin
Phase 1: Testing	11/24 - 12/24	\$160.41	\$500	67.9% Under Budget
Phase 2: Manufacturing	01/25 - 04/25	\$2759.29	\$3000	8.0% Under Budget
Phase 3: Expo	04/25 - 05/25	TBD	TBD	TBD
Other	-	TBD	\$500	TBD
Total	-	\$2919.70	\$4000	27.0% Under Budget

- **Remaining Cost Uncertainties**
 - Phase 3
 - Manufacturing and testing
 - Target and other unestablished costs
 - Shipping Fees
- **Lead Time Uncertainties**
 - Phase 2
 - Lead times mainly fall within 3-10 days
 - Shipping



Questions?



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Backup Slides



Mass Budget Breakdown

Power		
Component	Quantity	Mass [kg]
16,000 mAh 6S LiPo Battery	1	1.988
Elo 50A OPTO ESC	6	0.288
PM03D Power Module	1	0.059
Communications		
Component	Quantity	Mass [kg]
AKK 5.8 G Transmitter	1	0.005
SiK Telemetry Radio V3	1	0.024
RC Receiver	1	0.005
Control		
Component	Quantity	Mass [kg]
Pixhawk 6X Flight Controller	1	TBD(measure actual one)



Mass Budget Breakdown

Propulsion		
Component	Quantity	Mass [kg]
MN501-S IP45 KV360 Motors	6	1.050
P18*6.1 Propellers	6	0.2
Payload Deployment		
Component	Quantity	Mass [kg]
Payload	1	2.4
Payload Container	1	.39
12V 1" Solenoid Valve	1	0.71
Wireless Remote Switch	1	0.23
PVC Pipe Adapter	1	0.04
Airframe/Structure		
Component	Quantity	Mass [kg]
Tarot 960 X6 Airframe	1	1.8

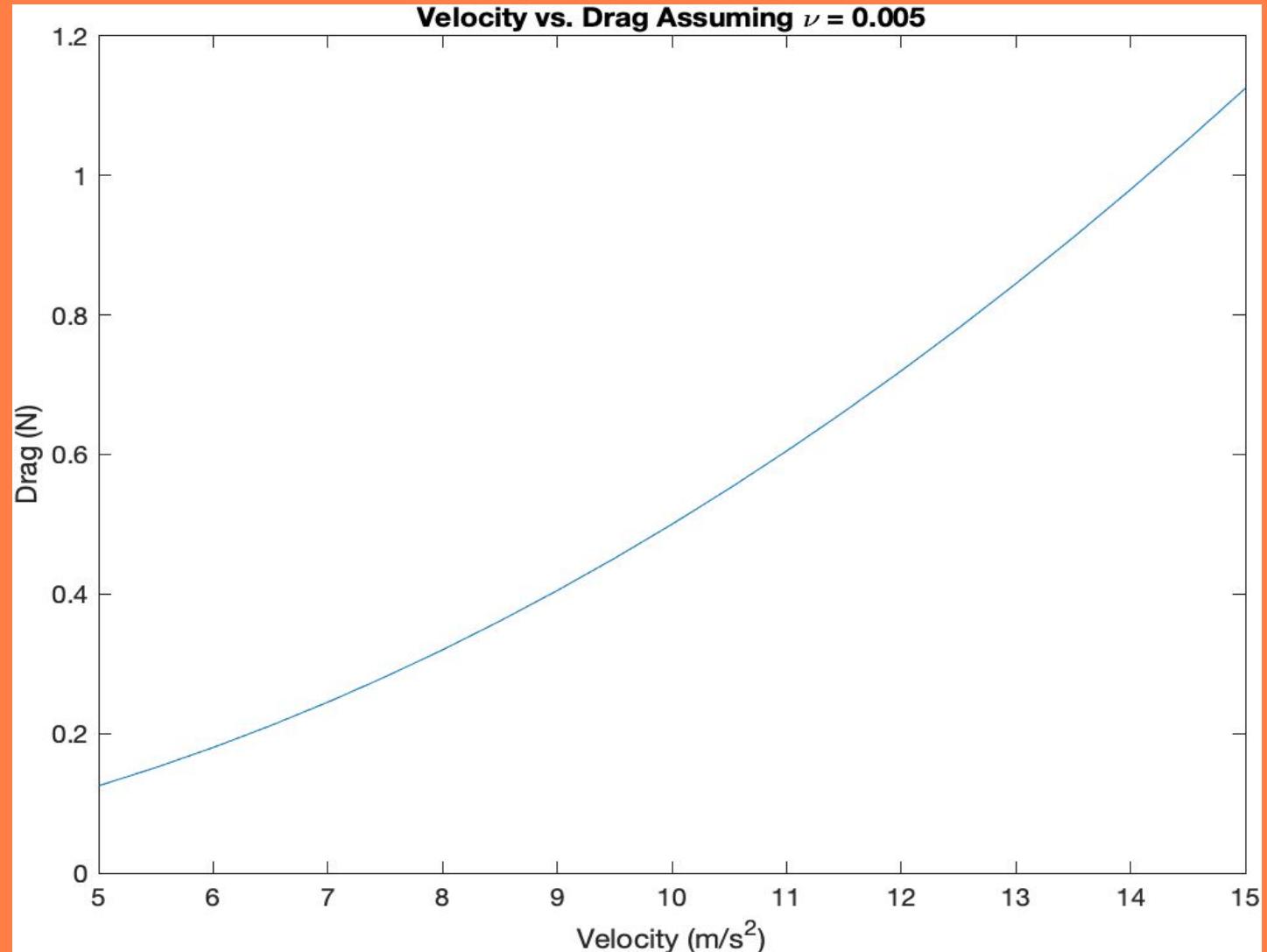


Mass Budget Breakdown

Sensing		
Component	Quantity	Mass [kg]
AKK 5.8 G FPV Camera	1	0.005
M10 GPS	1	0.032

Velocity vs. Drag Graphs

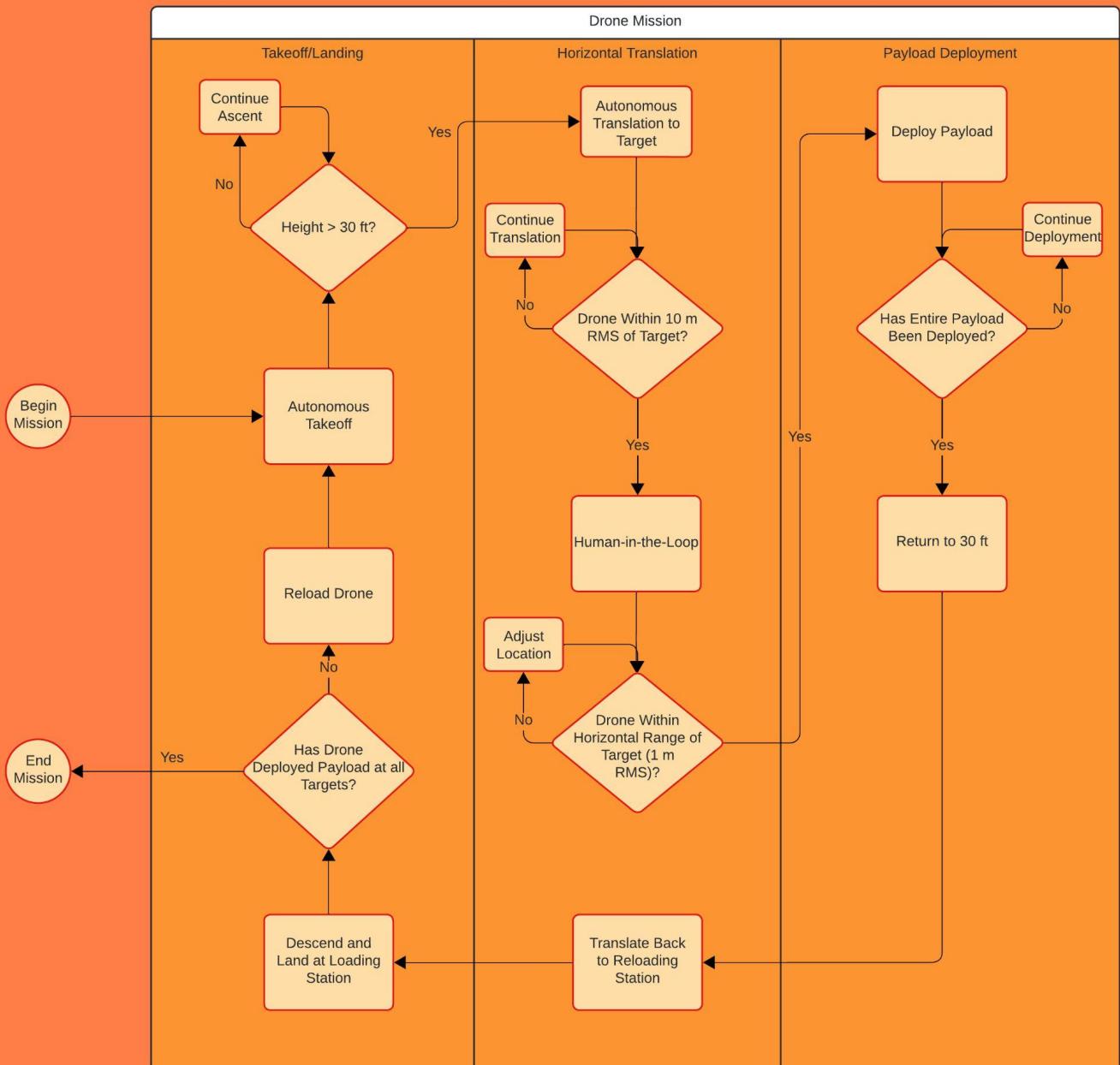
- **Maximum Velocity**
 - Approximately 1 N of drag
 - 101 grams
- **Horizontal Thrust**
 - 10,000+ grams of thrust
 - 101 grams of drag is negligible



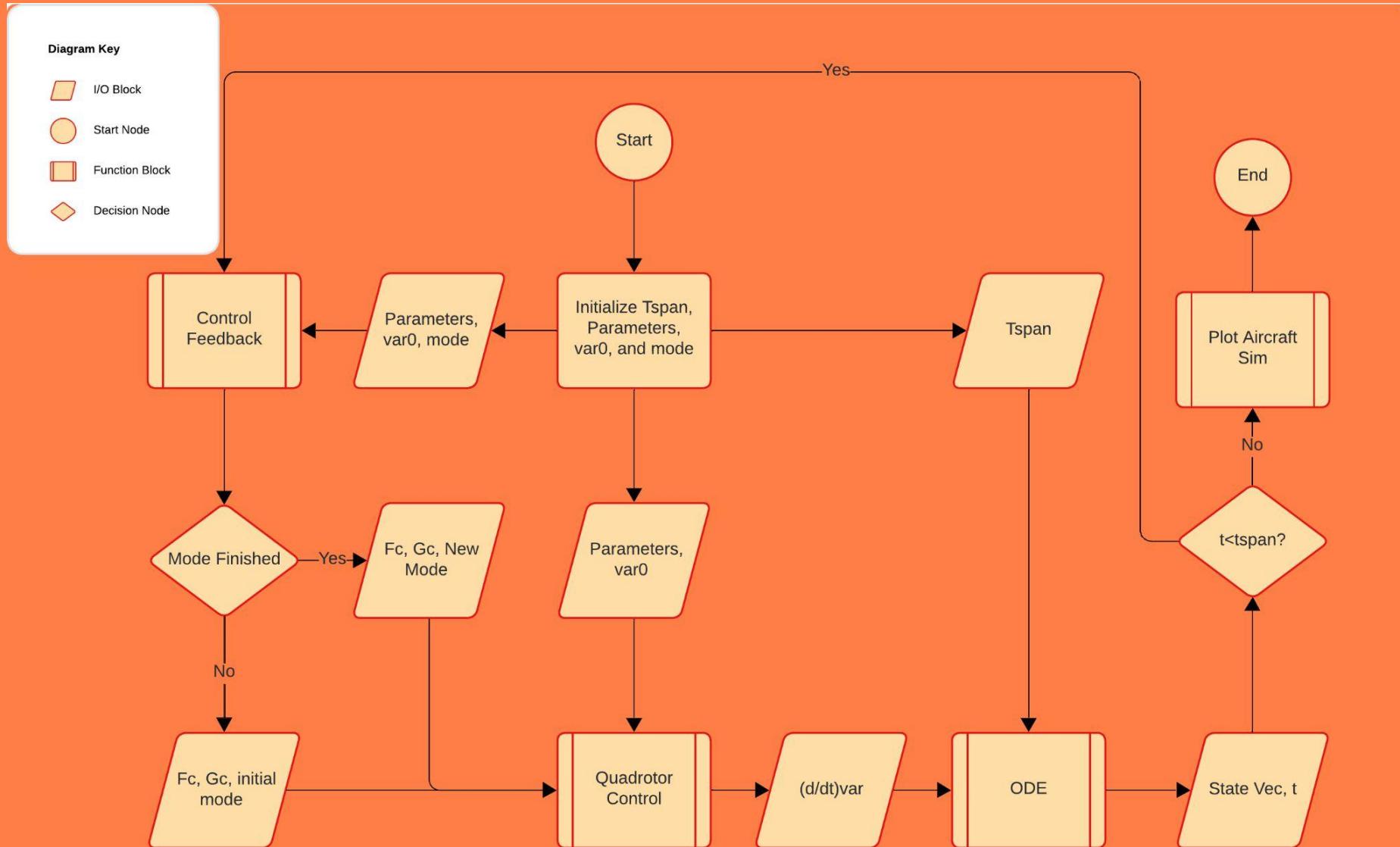
Control Subsystem: Software State Machine/Flowchart



- **State Machine/Flowchart**
 - Used to show the modes and flow of our mission
- **Control Software**
 - High level representation of our controls software: **ArduPilot**



Dynamics Model: Development Flow Chart



Dynamics Model: Governing Equations

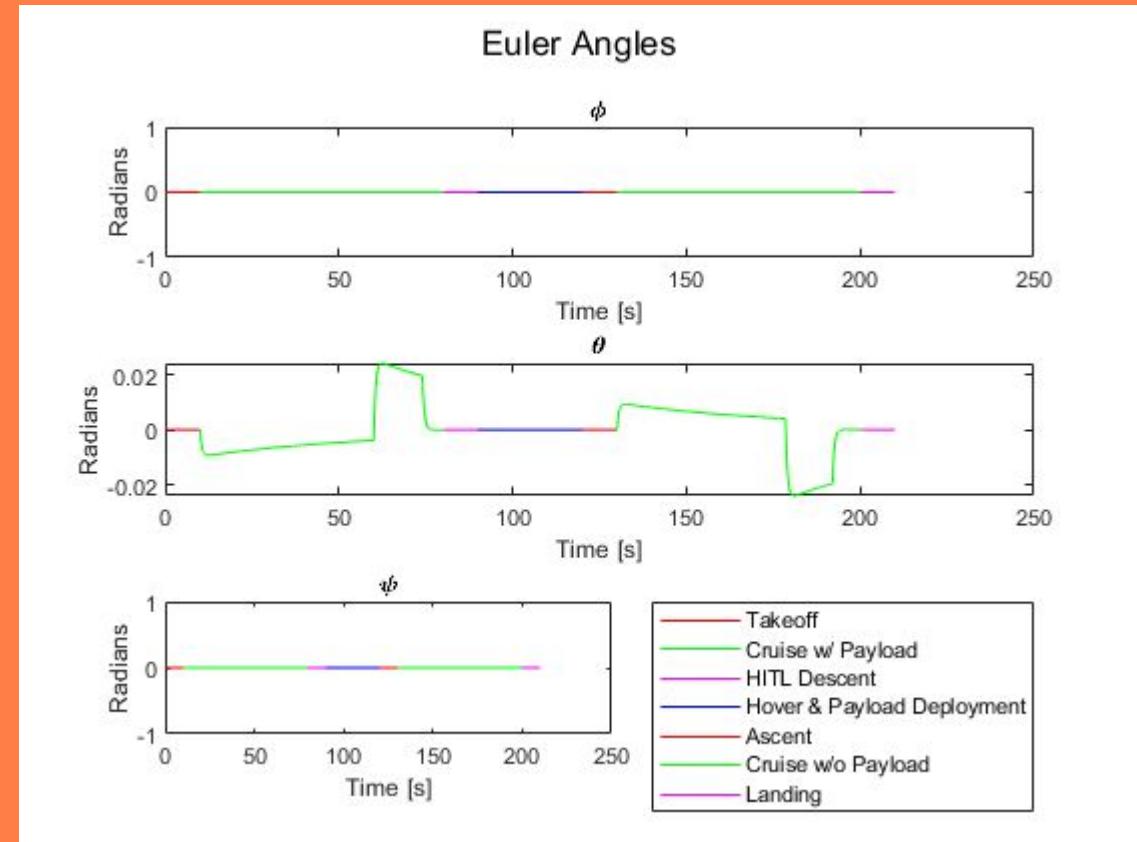
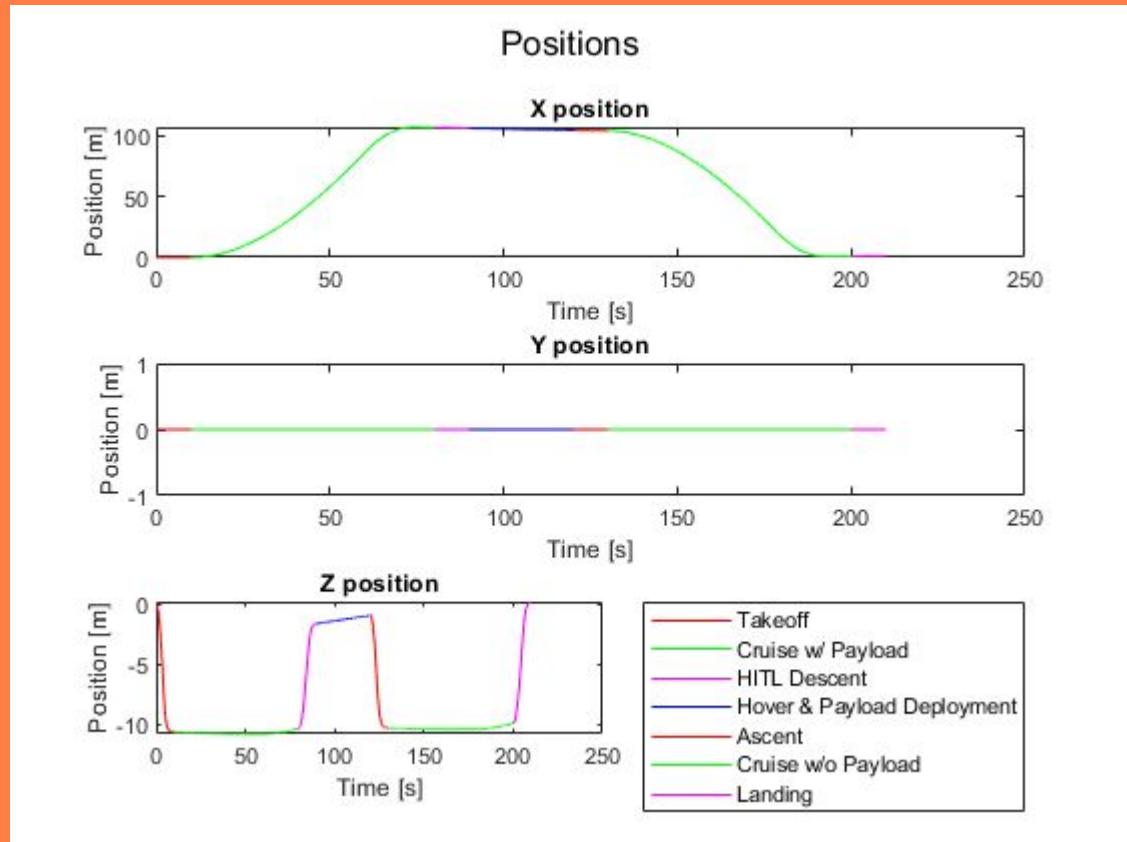
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\phi} \\ \dot{\theta} \\ \dot{\psi} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \sin \phi \tan \theta & \cos \phi \tan \theta \\ 0 & \cos \phi & -\sin \phi \\ 0 & \sin \phi \sec \theta & \cos \phi \sec \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \\ r \end{pmatrix}$$

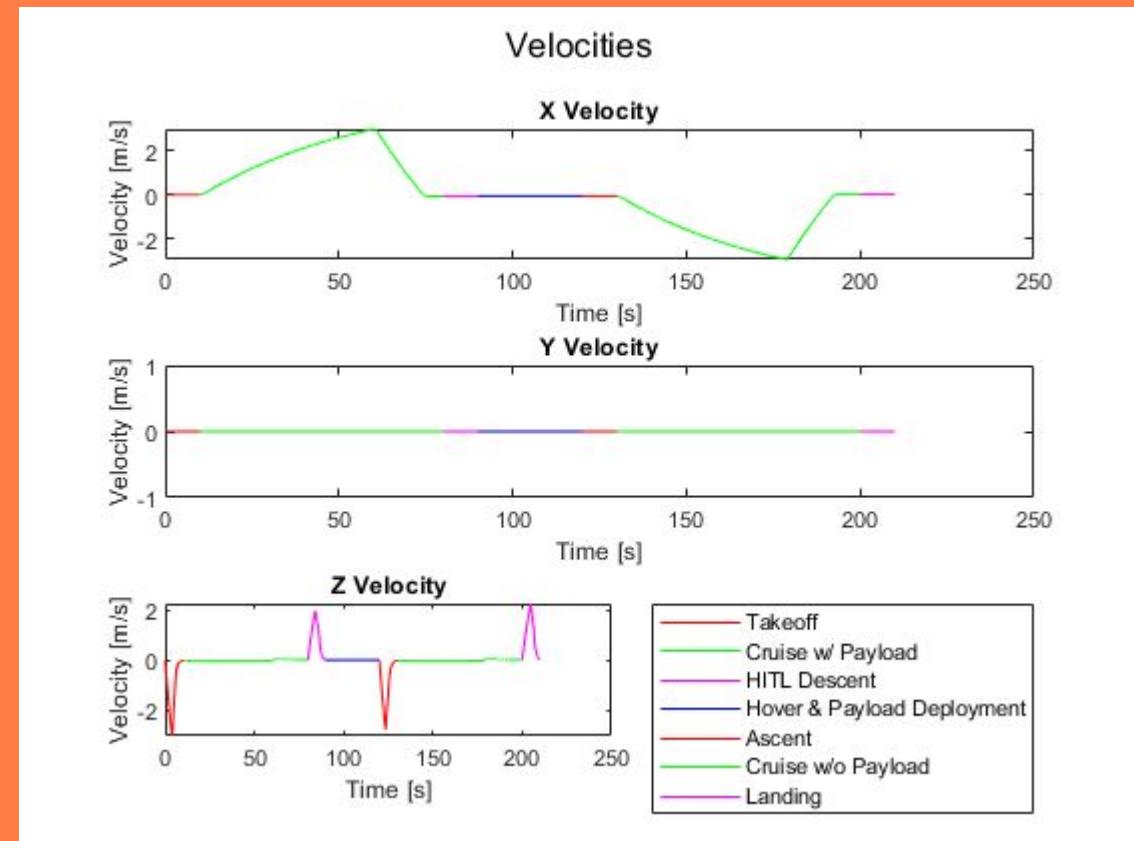
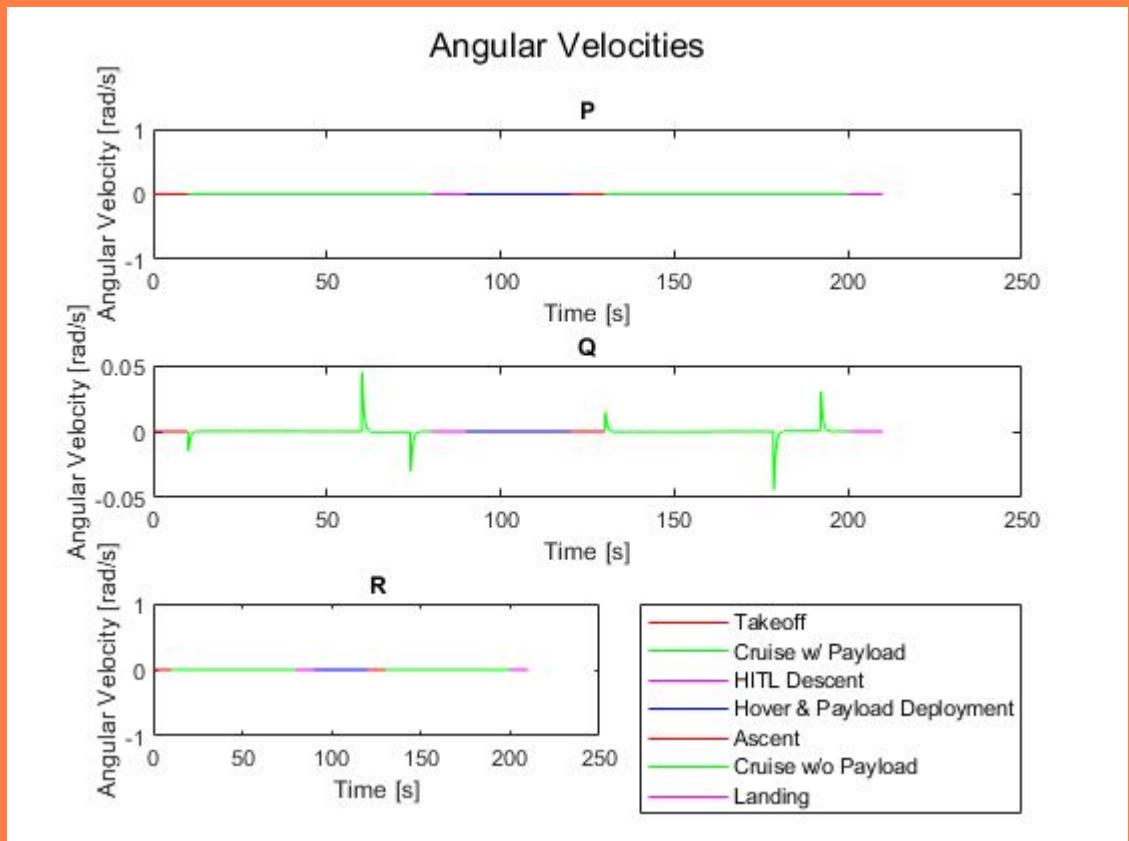
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{q} \\ \dot{r} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{I_y - I_z}{I_x} qr \\ \frac{I_z - I_x}{I_y} pr \\ \frac{I_x - I_y}{I_z} pq \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{I_x} L \\ \frac{1}{I_y} M \\ \frac{1}{I_z} N \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{I_x} L_c \\ \frac{1}{I_y} M_c \\ \frac{1}{I_z} N_c \end{pmatrix}$$

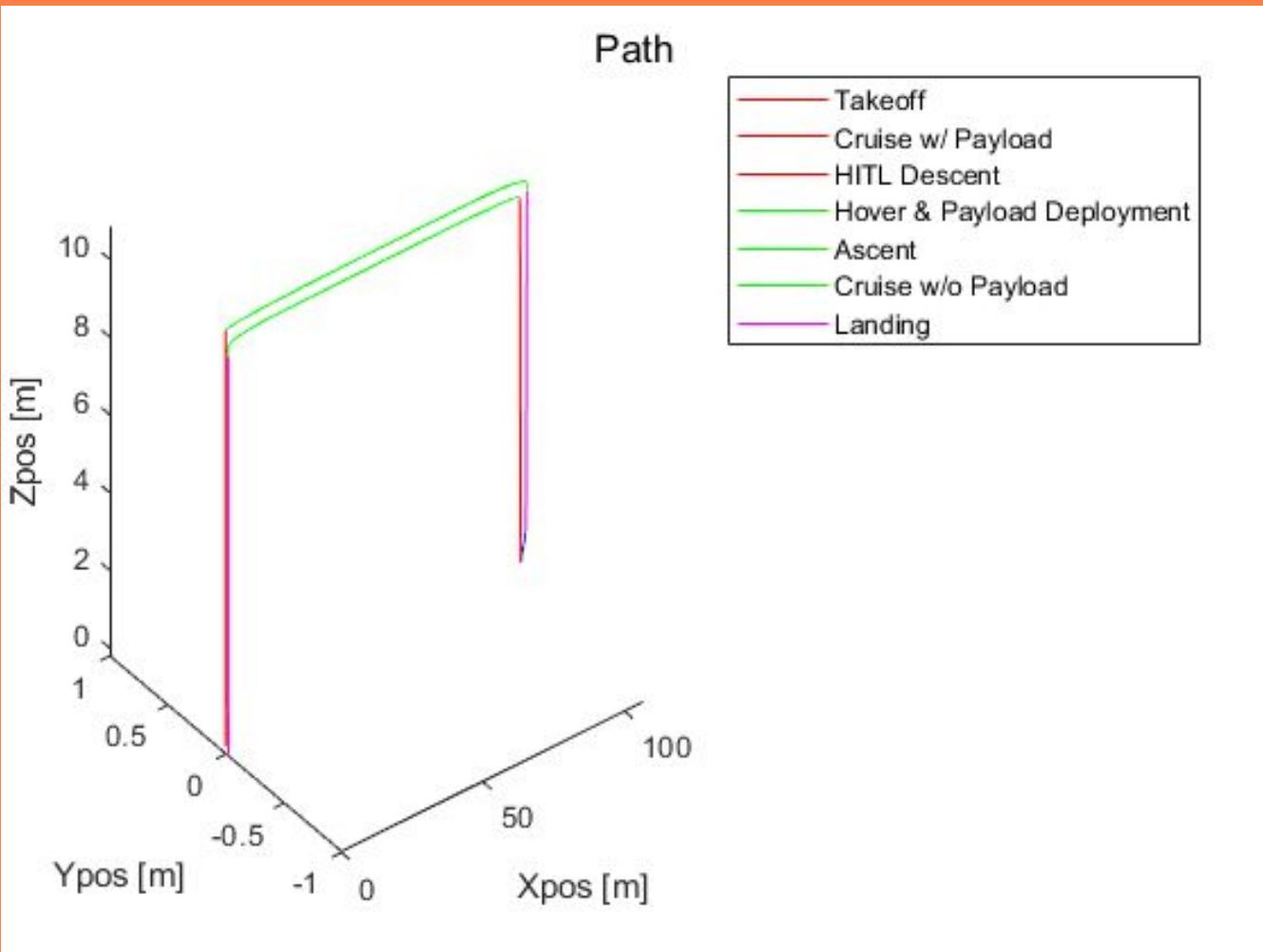
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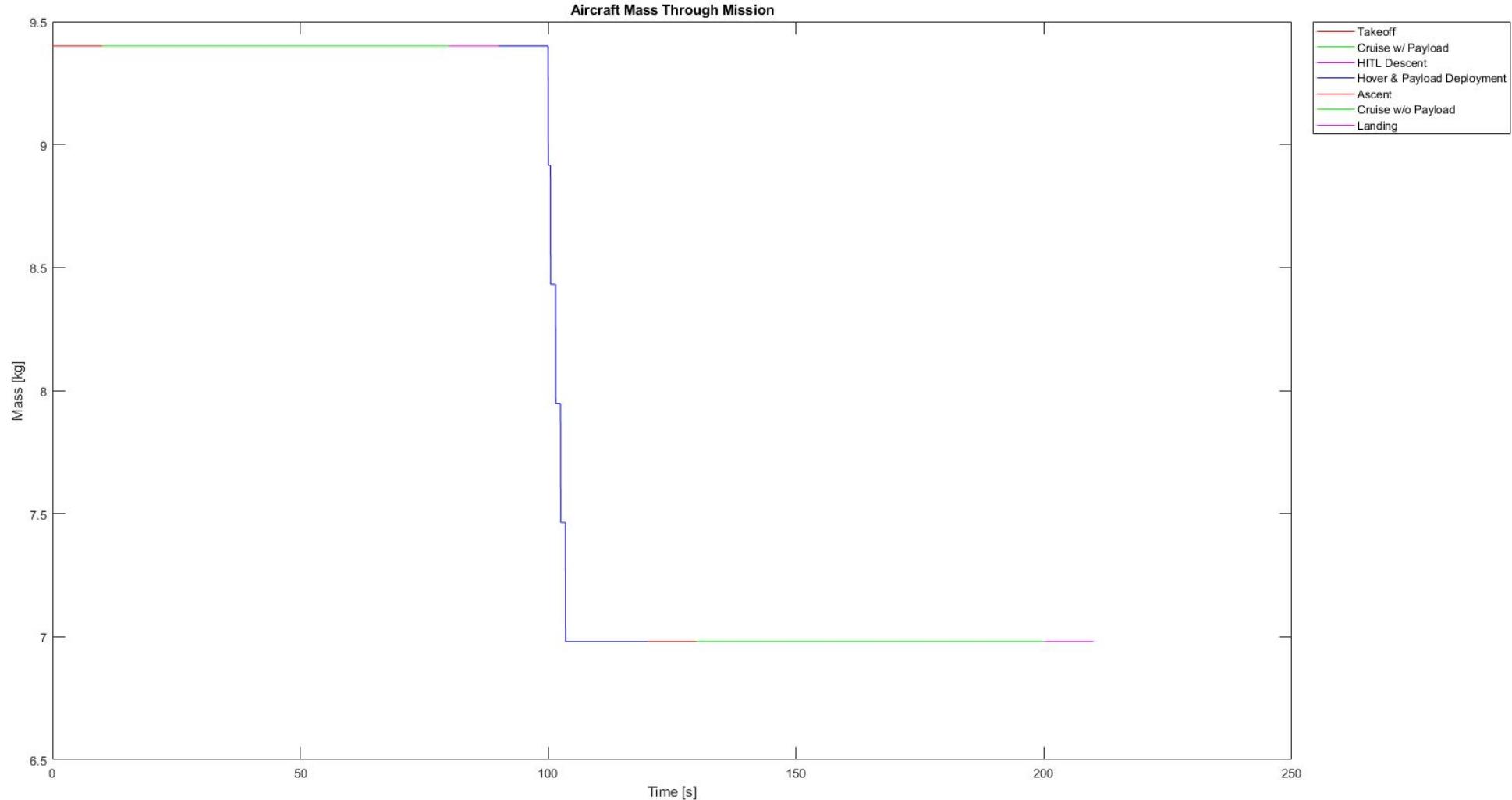
Dynamics Model: Plots (Continued)



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Dynamics Model: Plots (Continued)



Historical Data

- **Tarot X6 Drone Kit**

- Includes Power Kit
- Lifts a total weight of 12kg
- Uses Tarot 5008-340KV Brushless Motors
- 1855 Carbon Fiber Propellers



Airframe Subsystem

Frame Selected: Tarot T960 Hexacopter

- Carbon fiber arms, legs, motor mounts
- Aluminum arm locking mechanisms
- Adjustable battery Mounting Plate
- Total Dimensions:
 - 22 x 10 x 4 in



Total Mass	Tip to Tip Length	Landing Gear Clearance	Standard Propellor Size
2.12 kg	960 mm	320 mm	18"

Communications Subsystem: Components



**BETAFPV SuperD
ELRS**

On-board

5VDC Input Voltage

20dBm Telemetry
Power

2.4Ghz Frequency

1.1g weight



**SIK Telemetry
Radio**

On-board

5VDC input voltage

100 mW max output
power at 915 MHz

433-915 MHz
frequency options

9.4 g weight



**RadioMaster
Ranger Micro ELRS**

Ground system

6-16 VDC voltage range

2.4GHz Frequency

Up to 1W power output

1000 Hz packet rate

25 Hz refresh rate



Remote ID

On-board

5VDC input voltage

2.4GHz Frequency

5km range

27.5g weight



**AKK KC04 FPV
Transmitter**

On-board

5 VDC input

6.5MHz audio
frequency

0-8.0 MHz video
bandwidth

3Km range

Propulsion Subsystem

Motor: T-Motor MN501-S IP

- Waterproof
- Dust resistant
- High temperature resistant



Propellor: QWinOut 1855

- Carbon Fiber

Speed Controller: Eolo 50A Light Version V2

- Low Noise
- Fast Response

Motor Max Thrust	Max Power	Idle Current/ Peak Current	Propellor Size and Pitch	Max Allowable Voltage	Max Allowable Continuous Current	Max Allowable Peak Current
5.2 kg	1000 W	1.4 A/40 A	18" with 5.5" pitch	26.1 V	50 A	60 A



Sensing Subsystem

Accelerometer: ICM-45686 Motion Sensor

- 3x included in Pixhawk 6x
- Accelerometer & Gyroscope
- 6 axis motion sensing

Barometer: ICP 20100 & BMP 388

- 2x included in Pixhawk 6x
- Low Power, high accuracy

Magnetometer: BMM150

- Absolute spatial orientation and motion vectors

Accel. Power Draw	Barometer Power Draws	Absolute Pressure Accuracy	Relative Pressure Accuracy	Pressure Range	Magno. Power Draw	Magno. Resolution
640 µA	1 & 3.4 µA	±0.05 kPa	±0.008 kPa	30-110 kPa	500 µA	0.3µT

Sensing Subsystem



FPV Camera

1280X720 Resolution

1 V peak to peak/75
Ohms



HolyBro M10 GPS

5VDC Input Voltage

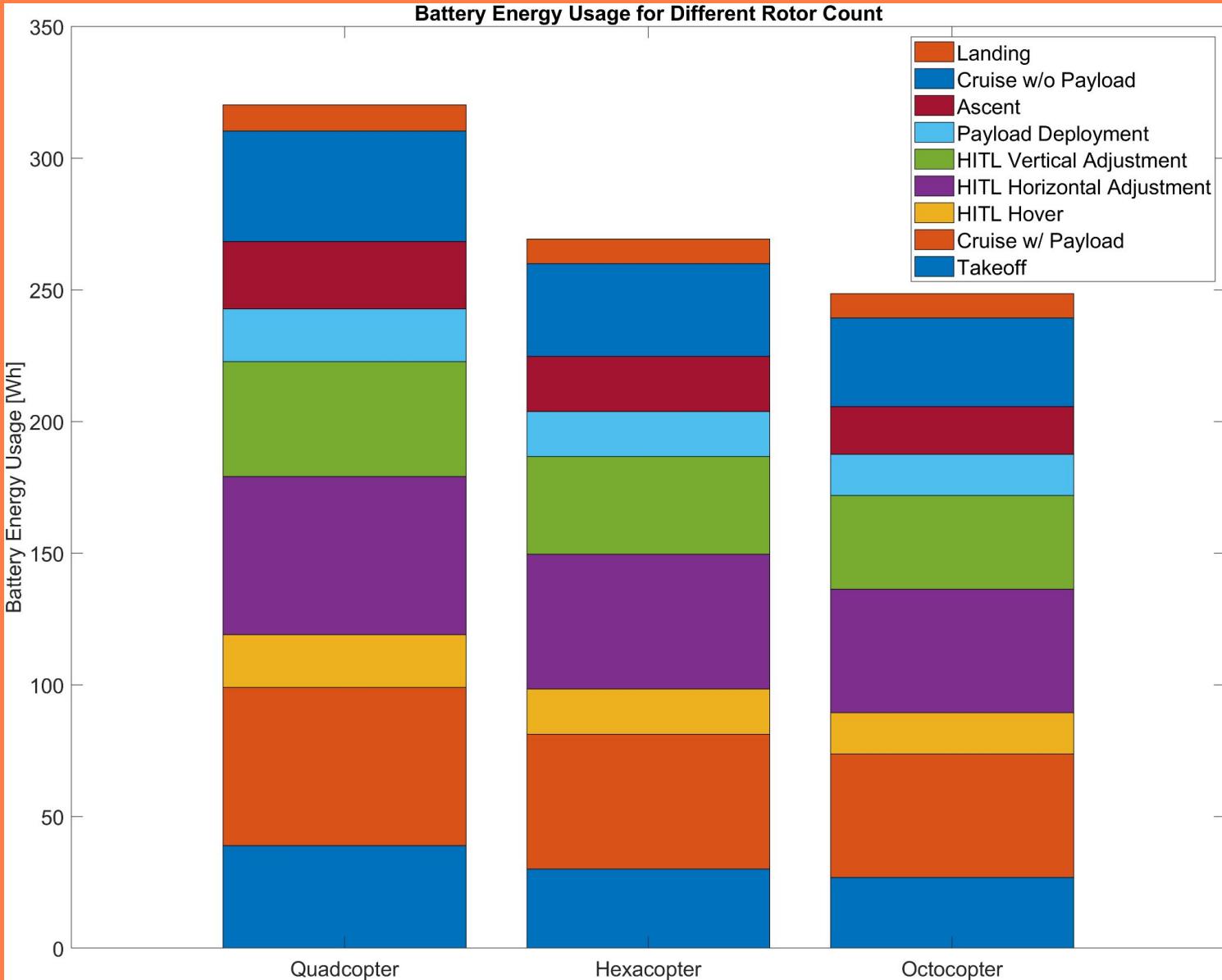
25-10Hz update rate

2m accuracy

32g weight

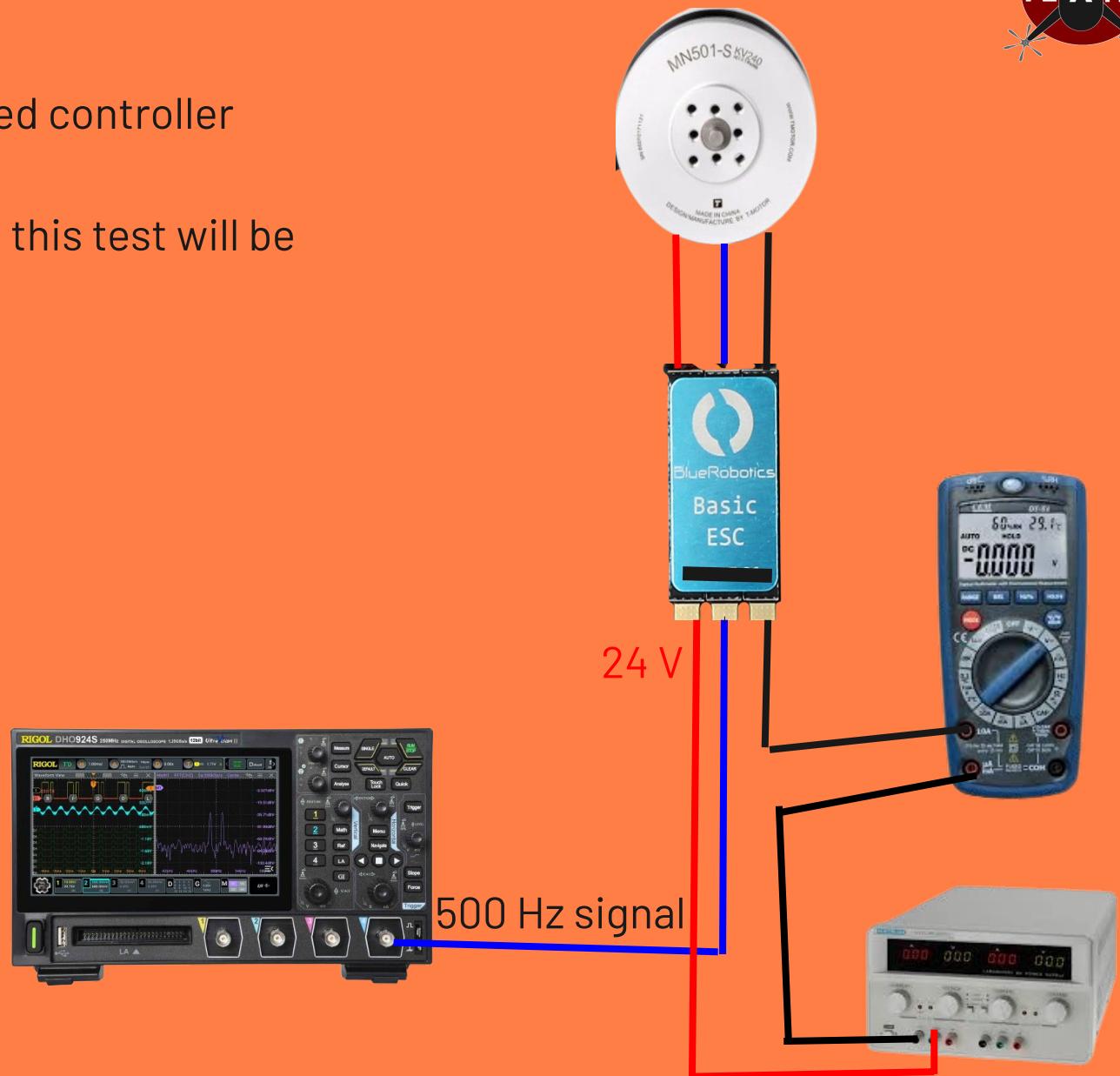
Model Results: Rotor Count Energy Use

- **Rotor count trade study metric**
 - Energy consumption over mission
- **Trends**
 - More rotors = more energy efficient
 - Less current draw per motor for same total vehicle thrust
 - Current draw has quadratic growth
 - Diminishing returns as rotor count increased



Motor Current Draw Validity

- Simulate throttle with a single motor and speed controller
- Due to time frame and equipment limitations, this test will be conducted in the spring
- **Equipment that will be used**
 - MN501-S IP45 T-Motor
 - Eolo 50A Light Version V2 ESC 4-6S ESC
 - Oscilloscope
 - Multi-meter
- **Inputs**
 - 24V
 - 500 Hz
 - Vary signal duty cycle
 - Vary input current
- **Output**
 - Current Draw





Motor Current Draw Validity

Datasheet for MN501-S IP45 T-Motor

Throttle %	Current (A)
40%	3.93
50%	7.09
60%	11.26
70%	16.46
75%	19.34
80%	22.39
90%	29.83
100%	38.43

Test results for MN501-S IP45 T-Motor

Throttle %	Current (A)
40%	TBD
50%	TBD
60%	TBD
70%	TBD
75%	TBD
80%	TBD
90%	TBD
100%	TBD



User Defined ArduPilot Parameters

- FRAME_TYPE
 - Select vehicle configuration/rotor count
- ANGLE_MAX
 - Select maximum tilt angle
- WP_NAV_SPEED
 - Select maximum horizontal velocity
- WP_NAV_SPEED_UP
 - Select maximum takeoff velocity
- WP_NAV_SPEED_DOWN
 - Select maximum landing velocity
- WP_NAV_RADIUS
 - Select acceptable radius from waypoint to be considered complete
- WP_NAV_ACCEL
 - Select maximum horizontal acceleration
- WP_NAV_ACCEL_Z
 - Select maximum vertical acceleration



Budget Tracker: Phase 1

Component	Quantity	Total Price
T-Motor MN501-S	1	\$94.46*
Eolo 50A Light Version V2 ESC 4-6S	1	\$40.96*
Polymaker PLA PRO Filament 1.75mm Color Black	1	\$24.99*

Note - These items have already been received with shipping factored into the total price



Budget Tracker: Phase 2

Component	Quantity	Total Price
4.3" DVR 5.8GHz 40CH FPV Monitor	1	\$59.99
RadioMaster Ranger Micro 2.4Ghz ELRS Module	1	\$39.99
BETAFPV SuperD ELRS 2.4GHz Diversity Receiver	1	\$24.99
AKK KC04 5.8G 600mW FPV Transmitter 700TVL 2.8mm 120 Degree FPV Camera for Racing Quadcopter	1	\$32.99
SiK Telemetry Radio V3	1	\$58.99
Tarot X6 Drone Kit	1	\$499.99



Budget Tracker: Phase 2

Component	Quantity	Total Price
PM03D Power Module	1	\$45.99
Eolo 50A Light Version V2 ESC 4-6S	5	\$184.92
T-Motor MN501-S	5	\$454.10
WOODGUILIN Remote Switch	1	\$36.99
Pixhawk 6X	1	\$144.00
TX16s mk2	1	\$210.00



Budget Tracker: Phase 2

Component	Quantity	Total Price
M10 GPS	1	\$43.99
Remote ID	1	\$29.59
Tattu 16000mAh 22.2V 6S 30C Lipo Battery Pack w/ XT90-S Plug	2	\$671.98
1" Plastic Zero Differential Solenoid Valve	1	\$72.60
1" PVC Pipe Fitting Adapter	1	\$20.98
QWinOut 1855 propellers	1	\$56.68



Budget Tracker: Phase 2

Component	Quantity	Total Price
Flex Tape	1	\$20.00
Pipe Cement	1	\$4.00
XT90 to XT60 plugs	2	\$9.96
Yeah Racing RC XT60 1-6S Smoke Stopper	1	\$6.99
Pixhawk 6X Cable Set	1	\$22.59
Zeee Fireproof Explosionproof Large Capacity Battery Storage Guard Pouch for Lipo Charge & Storage	1	\$11.99