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Abstract

Throughout history, sailing has been a key ingredient to our civilization. Whether for trading, fishing, exploring, or transporting, today's civilization would not have been the same if sailing was not invented. Today sailing has been developed more into a hobby from large sailing boats all the way down to one-man dinghies.

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1 Acronyms

1. **2S** Two cells in Series *Glossary: 2S*
2. **ADC** Analog-to-digital converter *Glossary: ADC*
3. **API** Application Programming Interface *Glossary: API*
4. **CAD** Computer-aided design *Glossary: CAD*
5. **DRC** Design Rule Check *Glossary: DRC*
6. **ERC** Electronic Rule Check *Glossary: ERC*
7. **GPIO** General Purpose Input Output *Glossary: GPIO*
8. **GPS** Global Positioning System *Glossary: GPS*
9. **I²C** Inter-Integrated Circuit *Glossary: I²C*
10. **IC** Integrated Circuit *Glossary: IC*
11. **IMU** Inertial Measurement Unit *Glossary: IMU*
12. **LED** Light-emitting diode *Glossary: LED*
13. **LGA** Land Grid Array *Glossary: LGA*
14. **LIB** Battery Management System *Glossary: LIB*
15. **MCU** Microcontroller Unit *Glossary: MCU*
16. **NAME** Personal Computer *Glossary: PC*
17. **NMEA** National Marine Electronics Association standard *Glossary: NMEA*
18. **PCB** Printed Circuit Board 2, 8, 9, *Glossary: PCB*
19. **PNG** Portable Network Graphics *Glossary: PNG*
20. **PTC** Positive Temperature Coefficient *Glossary: PTC*
21. **PWB** Printed Wire Board *Glossary: PWB*
22. **SEK** Swedish Krona *Glossary: SEK*
23. **SMD** Surface Mount Device *Glossary: SMD*
24. **SPI** Serial Peripheral Interface *Glossary: SPI*

- 25. ST** STMicroelectronics 5, *Glossary:* ST
- 26. SWD** Serial Wire Debug *Glossary:* SWD
- 27. TI** Texas Instruments Inc. *Glossary:* TI
- 28. ToF** Time of Flight *Glossary:* ToF
- 29. USB** Universal Serial Bus *Glossary:* USB
- 30. via** vertical interconnect access *Glossary:* VIA

2 Glossary

- 31. ST** STMicroelectronics (ST) is a French-Italian multinational electronics and semiconductor manufacturer. 5

3 Introduction

The art of sailing has been around for millennia. For much of human history it has been an absolutely vital part of civilization, providing efficient means of transporting goods all around the world. Today sailing has become a leisure activity enjoyed by millions of people around the world. Modern sailboats come in a large span of sizes, from large ships with crews of dozens down to small single-man dinghies.

3.1 Goals

The primary functional goals are the following:

- Boat attitude
 - Implementing appropriate
 - * Accelerometer
 - Fusing the sensor output to get an accurate estimate of boat attitude
- Position tracking and velocity

4 Casing

The *VHF-Unit* system has some different types of components and sensors, which all need to be housed in a watertight casing for safety and robustness. Some design ideas for this part was to make it easy to mount, small physical footprint, all the electronics in the same enclosure and watertight. The case was revised and worked on over the whole length of the course, redefining and remodeling the construction over time.

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Appendices

A Large Figures

B Lists

B.1 Bill of Materials: Main PCB

Main Board Components	Package	Quantity
<i>Capacitors:</i>		
18p	0805	2
100n	0805	21
1u	0805	2
2.2u	0805	1
4.7u	0805	4
10u	Electrolytic SMD 5x5.3	6
<i>Resistors:</i>		
220	0805	1
1k	0805	2
1k	potentiometer	2

B.2 Bill of Materials: Battery Management PCB

Battery Management Circuit	Package	Quantity
30.1k	0603	1
32.4k	0603	2
Power P-MOS	SOT-23	1

The project; complete with all software code, the application, hardware files and more, can be found online in the github-repo:

<https://github.com/jsjolund/sailoraid>

