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Overview:

In the 2020-2021 year, COVID-19 forced the team to operate virtually. As a result, a small suite of optimization and visualization scripts were written to ease the workflow of the Propulsion team. This document will describe the workflow, assumptions, and advice for these MATLAB scripts.

Import Data Script

Generate_Mat_File.m

imports various propeller datasheets and saves it to a .mat file

(Possible task: Finding new propeller datasheets and importing it into the script)

```
% Input Sheets
MotorFile = 'Motor_data.xlsx';
PropFiles = {'6x4E.xlsx'
              '7x4E.xlsx'
              '8x6E.xlsx'
              '8x8E.xlsx'
              '9x6.xlsx'
              '9x6E.xlsx'
              '10x5E.xlsx'
              '10x6.xlsx'
              '10x6E.xlsx'
              '10x7.xlsx'
              '10x7E.xlsx'
              '10x8E.xlsx'
              '10x9.xlsx'
              '10x10.xlsx'
              '10x10E.xlsx'
              '11x5.xlsx'
              '11x55E.xlsx'
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              '12x8.xlsx'
              '12x8E.xlsx'
              '12x10E.xlsx'
              '13x4.xlsx'
              '13x65E.xlsx'
              '13x7.xlsx'
              '13x8.xlsx'
              '13x9.xlsx'
              '13x8E.xlsx'
              '13x9E.xlsx'}
```



Optimization Script

```
%% Initialize
clear all; close all; format longg; clc;

%% Input Parameters

outfile = 'Results.xlsx';

numProps = 2; % Number of Propellers
Voltage = 22.2; % Voltage of Battery *NOTE* Voltage does change throughout
              % the flight, but the labeled voltage is a fair average.

% MISSION REQUIREMENTS
% Based on values acquired from Aero Team: Drag (D) & Cruising speed (v)
% Assuming steady level flight: Thrust = Drag
% [Thrust CruiseAirspeed]
% [lbf MPH]
Mreq{1} = [1.1/numProps 48.32];
Mreq{2} = [1.9/numProps 70.69];
Mreq{3} = [1.3/numProps 54.80];

% Import Propeller & Motor Datasheets
load('DataImport.mat')
```

Visualization Script

```
%% Imports

% Import Propeller & Motor Datasheets
load('DataImport.mat')

% Quick Motor Efficiency Analysis (SEE STANFORD PAPER)
for Motor = 1:length(MotorNames)
    Kt(Motor) = 1355/Kv(Motor);
    RPMmax(Motor) = Kv(Motor) * (Voltage - Rm(Motor)*I0(Motor));

    Imax(Motor) = @(RPM)(Voltage - RPM/Kv(Motor)) / Rm(Motor);
    Qmotor(Motor) = @(A) Kt(Motor)*(A-I0(Motor))*0.007061552; % in-oz to N-m [i think]
    eta_motor(Motor) = @(RPM,A) (Kt(Motor)*(A-I0(Motor))*0.007061552*RPM^2*pi/60) / (Voltage*A);
end

% Find location where cruising speed is reached
for INDEX=1:30
    if V{cp}{RPMcruise/1000}(INDEX) >= speed
        break
    end
end
eta_Prop = Pe{cp}{RPMcruise/1000}(INDEX);

%% Motor Efficiency Contours
x = @(t) t;
y = @(t) (Voltage - t/Kv(cm)) / Rm(cm);
z = @(t) (Kt(cm)*y(t)-I0(cm))*0.007061552*t^2*pi/60 / (Voltage*y(t));

%% Static Thrust [Thrust v. Amp draw]

figure; hold on

for i = 1:maxRPM(cp)
    Qcrit = Qprop{cp}{i}(1);
    I_temp = Qcrit/(Kt(cm)*0.007061552) + I0(cm);
    if I_temp > Imax(cm)*(i*1000)
```



Flight Performance Script:

For the report, it was important to know how long it would take to go along the track three times, which is where the flight performance calculations covered in the “Guide to: Flight Performance” were used. Using these equations for velocities and angular velocity we were able to calculate how long the plane would take to go around the track because it had a common distance. Given the values described in the Guide from the other teams in DBF, the velocities were calculated and we divided distances by velocities to find the time it would take to go through each part of the lap. Then all those times were added up to get the expected time for one lap, then multiplied by three to get the total expected time and expected drag values. Thankfully, the MATLAB script does not require the derivations for the formulas, so only the final formulas were plugged in and run through.

The full scripts for Steady Climb, Steady Flight, Banked Turn, and Total Time can be found in the DBF propulsions folder. Here are pictures to give an idea of what they do:

Steady Climb:

```
1 function [v] = DBFSteadyClimb(mass,k,C1,Cd0,ClimbAngle,MotorAngle,WingSurfaceArea)
2 %Inputs:
3 %mass(kg),k,C1,Cd0,ClimbAngle(deg),MotorAngle(deg);WingSurfaceArea(m^3)
4 %Outputs: velocity(m/s)
5 %All calculations based off "Simulation Math" pdf
6
7 %Calculate drag coefficient
8 Cd = Cd0 + k*C1^2;
9
10 %Re-label formulas to make formulas easier
11 M = mass;
12 L = C1;
13 D = Cd;
14 S = WingSurfaceArea;
15
16 %Convert from degrees to radians
17 T = ClimbAngle*0.0174533;
18 A = MotorAngle*0.0174533;
19
20 %Assign constants
21 g = 9.81;
22 R = 1.225; %Air density (kg/m^3)
23
24 %Pre-calculations to make formula nicer
25 Q = cos(T);
26 W = sin(T);
27 E = tan(T+A);
28
29 %Calculate velocity
30 v = sqrt(2*M*g/(R*S*(L*Q+L*W*E+D*Q*E-D*W)));
```

Steady Flight:

```
1 function [v]=DBFSteadyFlight(mass,C1,k,Cd0,MotorAngle,WingSurfaceArea)
2 %Inputs: mass(kg),C1,k,Cd0,MotorAngle(deg),WingSurfaceArea(m^3)
3 %Outputs: velocity(m/s)
4 %All calculations based off "Simulation Math" pdf
5
6 %Calculate the drag coefficient
7 Cd = Cd0 + k*C1^2;
8
9 %Re-label variables to make formulas easier
10 M = mass;
11 L = C1;
12 D = Cd;
13 S = WingSurfaceArea;
14
15 %Convert from degrees to radians
16 a = MotorAngle*0.0174533;
17
18 %Assign constants
19 g = 9.81;
20 R = 1.225; %Density of air (kg/m^3)
21
22 %Calculate velocity
23 v = sqrt(2*M*g/(R*S*(L+D*tan(a))));
24
```



Banked Turn:

```

1 function [v,TurnRate,TurnRadius] = DBFBankTurn(mass,Cl,n,WingSurfaceArea)
2 %Inputs: mass(kg),Cl,n,WingSurfaceArea(m^3)
3 %Outputs: velocity(m/s),TurnRate(rad/s),TurnRadius(m)
4 %All calculations based off "Simulation Math" pdf
5
6 %Re-label formulas to make formulas easier
7 M = mass;
8 L = Cl;
9 Theta = acos(1/n);
10 S = WingSurfaceArea;
11
12 %Assign constants
13 g = 9.81;
14 R = 1.225; %Air density (kg/m^3)
15
16 %Calculate velocity
17 v = sqrt(2*M*g/(R*S*L*cos(Theta)));
18
19 %Calculate TurnRadius
20 TurnRadius = 2*M/(R*S*L*sin(Theta));
21
22 %Calculate TurnRate
23 TurnRate = g*tan(Theta);
24
25 [v,TurnRate,TurnRadius]

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Total Time/Drag:

```

1 %Inputs
2 mass = 3.175; %kilograms
3 Cl = 0.277;
4 k = 0.067;
5 Cd0 = 0.032;
6 MotorAngle = 0; %degrees
7 WingSurfaceArea = .41032176; %m^3
8 n = 1.5; %g's
9 dist = 1000; %feet
10
11 %Straight
12 d_straight = dist*0.3048; %feet to meters
13 v_straight = DBFSteadyFlight(mass,Cl,k,Cd0,MotorAngle,WingSurfaceArea);
14 t_straight = d_straight/v_straight;
15
16 %180 Turn
17 d_180 = pi; %radians
18 [v_turn,TurnRate,TurnRadius] = DBFBankTurn(mass,Cl,n,WingSurfaceArea);
19 t_180 = d_180/TurnRate;
20
21 %360 Turn
22 d_360 = 2*pi; %radians
23 t_360 = d_360/TurnRate;
24
25 %Total time
26 t_total = 3*(2*t_180 + 2*t_straight + t_360); %seconds
27
28
29 %Drag calculation
30 drag_straight = 0.5 * 1.225 * (Cd0 + k*Cl^2) *WingSurfaceArea * (v_straight)^2;
31 drag_banked = 0.5 * 1.225 * (Cd0 + k*Cl^2) *WingSurfaceArea * (v_turn)^2;
32
33 %Outputs in useful units
34 t_total
35 v_straight = v_straight * 2.23694; %m/s to mph
36 v_banked = v_turn * 2.23694 %m/s to mph
37 drag_straight = drag_straight * 0.224809; %N to lbf
38 drag_banked = drag_banked * 0.224809 %N to lbf

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