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# Drone Applications, Components & Assembly (Experiment 6)

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## Introduction

Program to take off the drone and land in new location

## PREREQUISITES:

- Mission Planner
- PX4 Autopilot SITL
- Unix based OS (eg. Ubuntu, MacOS)

Python program for Model Predictive Control (MPC) using CasADi library:

```
import casadi as cs
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
# Define the system dynamics
A = np.array([[1, 1], [0, 1]])
B = np.array([[0], [1]])
C = np.array([[1, 0], [0<u>, 1]])</u>
D = np.array([[0], [0]
# Define the MPC parameters
N = 5
dt = 0.1
Q = np.diag([1, 1]
R = np.arrav([[1]]
# Define the optimization problem
opti = cs.Opti()
# Define the state variables
x = opti.variable(2, N+1)
x0 = opti.parameter(2, 1)
# Define the control variables
u = opti.variable(1, N)
# Define the reference trajectory
x_ref = opti.parameter(2, N+1)
u ref = opti.parameter(1, N)
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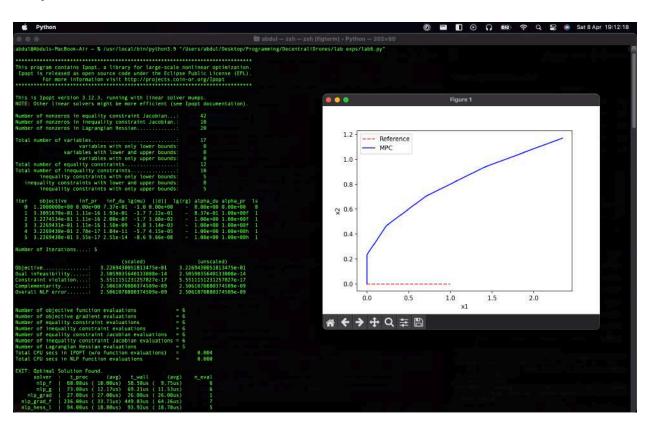
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# Define the initial state constraint
opti.subject to(x[:,0] == x0)
# Define the dynamic constraints
for k in range(N):
    x_{\text{next}} = cs.mtimes(A, x[:,k]) + cs.mtimes(B, u[:,k])
    opti.subject to(x[:,k+1] == x next)
# Define the cost function
J = 0
for k in range(N):
    J += cs.mtimes([(x[:,k] - x_ref[:,k]).T, Q, (x[:,k]))
x ref[:,k])])
    J += cs.mtimes([(u[:,k] - u_ref[:,k]).T, R, (u[:,k] -
u ref[:,k])])
opti.minimize(J)
# Define the control constraints
opti.subject to(u <= 1)
opti.subject to(u >= -1)
# Set the initial state parameter
x0_val = np.array([[0], [0]])
opti.set value(x0, x0 val)
# Define the reference trajectory and control inputs
x ref val = np.zeros((2, N+1))
x ref val[0,:] = np.linspace(0, 1, N+1)
u_ref_val = np.zeros((1, N))
opti.set_value(x_ref, x_ref_val)
opti.set value(u ref, u ref val)
# Simulate the system and plot the results
x_val = np.zeros((2, N+1))
u val = np.zeros((1, N))
for i in range(N):
    # Update the optimization problem with the current state
    opti.set initial(u, u val)
    opti.set initial(x, x val)
    # Solve the optimization problem
    opti.solver('ipopt')
    sol = opti.solve()
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# Extract the control input
u_val = opti.value(u[:,0])

# Update the system state
    x_val[:,i+1] = np.squeeze(cs.mtimes(A, x_val[:,i]) +
cs.mtimes(B, u_val))

# Plot the results
plt.plot(x_ref_val[0,:], x_ref_val[1,:], 'r--',
label='Reference')
plt.plot(x_val[0,:], x_val[1,:], 'b', label='MPC')
plt.legend()
plt.xlabel('x1')
plt.ylabel('x2')
plt.show()
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## **Output:**

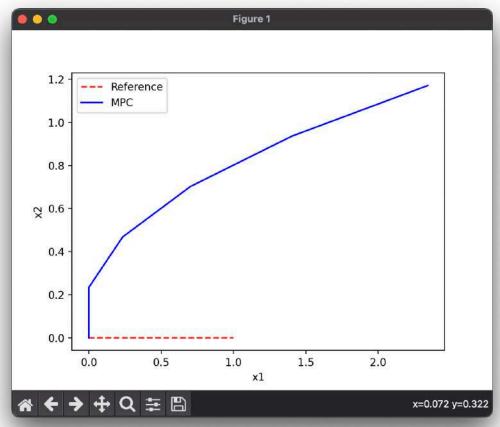


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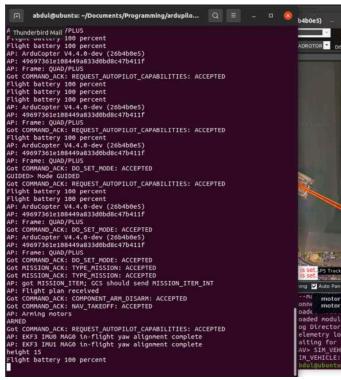




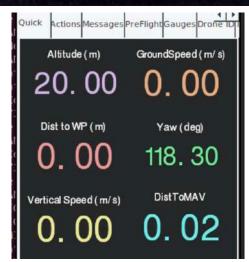
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Python program for setting the drone altitude fixed at 20:
from dronekit import connect, VehicleMode, Command
from pymavlink import mavutil
import time
# Set up connection to vehicle
vehicle = connect('udp:127.0.0.1:14550')
# Set vehicle mode to GUIDED
vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("GUIDED")
# Set fixed altitude of 20 meters for all waypoints
ground altitude = vehicle.location.global frame.alt
target altitude = 20.0
altitude = ground altitude + target altitude
# Set up mission with RTL mode
cmds = vehicle.commands
cmds.clear()
# Add wavpoints
wp1 = vehicle.location.global frame
wp1.alt = altitude
wp2 = vehicle.location.global frame
wp2.lat += 0.0001
wp2.lon += 0.0001
wp2.alt = altitude
wp3 = vehicle.location.global frame
wp3.lat += 0.0001
wp3.lon -= 0.0001
wp3.alt = altitude
# Create RTL command
cmd = Command(0, 0, 0,
mavutil.mavlink.MAV FRAME GLOBAL RELATIVE ALT,
              mavutil.mavlink.MAV CMD NAV RETURN TO LAUNCH, 0,
0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
              0, 0, 0
# Add RTL command to mission
cmds.add(cmd)
# Upload mission to vehicle
cmds_upload()
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# Arm and takeoff
vehicle.armed = True
vehicle.simple takeoff(target altitude)
# Wait for takeoff to complete
while True:
    if abs(vehicle.location.global relative frame.alt -
altitude) < 1.0:
        print("Reached target altitude")
        break
    time.sleep(1)
# Set mode to AUTO and start mission
vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("AUTO")
print("Starting mission")
vehicle.commands.next = 0
# Monitor mission execution
while True:
    nextwaypoint = vehicle.commands.next
    if nextwaypoint == len(vehicle.commands):
        print("Mission complete")
        vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("RTL")
        break
    time.sleep(1)
# Wait for vehicle to return to launch point and land
while True:
    if vehicle.mode.name == "RTL":
        print("Vehicle returning to launch point")
    time.sleep(1)
while True:
    if vehicle.mode.name == "LAND":
        print("Vehicle landed")
        break
    time.sleep(1)
# Close connection to vehicle
vehicle.close()
 abdul@ubuntu:~/Documents/Programming$ /bin/python /home/abdul/Document
 s/Programming/fixalt.py
 WARNING:autopilot:got MISSION ITEM; GCS should send MISSION ITEM INT
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altitude = 19.4 roll = 0 pitch = -0 heading = 118.3 airspeed = 0





## **Procedure:**

- Launch Mission Planner (same procs as lab 5)
- Launch FlightGear (same procs as lab 5)
- Write the code in an IDE like Vscode and run it. (same procs as lab 5)

Python program for having the drone fly at varying altitudes at different waypoints:

```
from dronekit import connect, VehicleMode,
LocationGlobalRelative, Command
from pymavlink import mavutil
import time
# Set up connection to vehicle
vehicle = connect('udp:127.0.0.1:14550')
# Set vehicle mode to GUIDED
vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("GUIDED")
# Define waypoints with varying altitude
waypoints = [
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.6205, -122.3880, 10), # altitude
of 10 meters
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.6215, -122.3860, 20), # altitude
of 20 meters
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.6210, -122.3840, 30), # altitude
of 30 meters (this is the max threshold, the drone maintains
below this)
# Set up mission
cmds = vehicle.commands
cmds.clear()
# Add waypoints to mission
for i, wp in enumerate(waypoints):
    cmd = Command(0, 0, 0,
mavutil.mavlink.MAV FRAME GLOBAL RELATIVE ALT,
              mavutil.mavlink.MAV CMD NAV WAYPOINT, 0, 0, 0,
0, 0, 0,
                 wp.lat, wp.lon, wp.alt)
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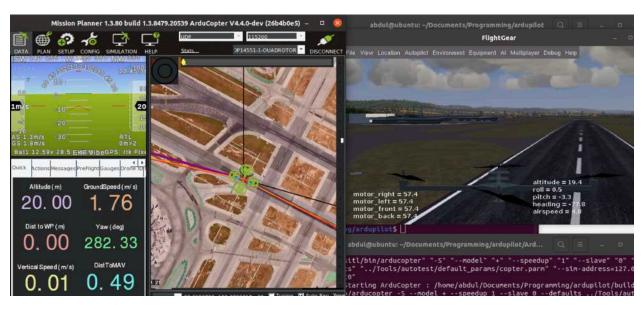
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cmds.add(cmd)
# Upload mission to vehicle
cmds.upload()
# Arm and takeoff
vehicle.armed = True
vehicle.simple takeoff(waypoints[0].alt)
# Wait for takeoff to complete
while True:
    if abs(vehicle.location.global relative frame.alt -
waypoints[0].alt) < 1.0:
        print("Reached target altitude")
        break
   time.sleep(1)
# Set mode to AUTO and start mission
vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("AUTO")
print("Starting mission")
vehicle.commands.next = 0
# Monitor mission execution
while True:
   nextwaypoint = vehicle.commands.next
    if nextwaypoint == len(vehicle.commands):
        print("Mission complete")
        vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("RTL")
       break
   time.sleep(1)
# Wait for vehicle to return to launch point and land
while True:
    if vehicle.mode.name == "RTL":
        print("Vehicle returning to launch point")
        break
   time.sleep(1)
while True:
    if vehicle.mode.name == "LAND":
        print("Vehicle landed")
       break
    time.sleep(1)
# Close connection to vehicle
vehicle.close()
```

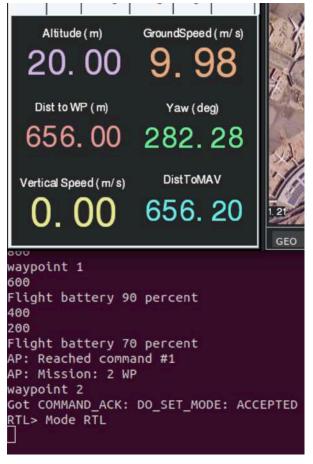












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GOT COMMAND_ACK: REQUEST_AUTOPILOT_CAPABILITIES: ACCEPTED AP: got MISSION_ITEM; GCS should send MISSION_ITEM_INT GOT MISSION_ACK: TYPE_MISSION: ACCEPTED
AP: Flight plan received
Got COMMAND_ACK: COMPONENT_ARM_DISARM: ACCEPTED
 Got COMMAND_ACK: NAV_TAKEOFF: ACCEPTED
AP: Arming motors
 ARMED
Flight battery 100 percent

AP: EKF3 IMU1 MAG0 in-flight yaw alignment complete

AP: EKF3 IMU0 MAG0 in-flight yaw alignment complete
height 15
AP: ArduCopter V4.4.0-dev (26b4b0e5)
AP: 49697361e108449a833d0bd8c47b411f
AP: Frame: QUAD/PLUS
Got COMMAND_ACK: DO_SET_MODE: ACCEPTED
GOT MISSION_ACK: DU_SEI_MODE: ACCEPTED

AP: got MISSION_ITEM; GCS should send MISSION_ITEM_INT
Got MISSION_ACK: TYPE_MISSION: ACCEPTED

AP: Flight plan received
Got COMMAND_ACK: NAV_TAKEOFF: FAILED
Got COMMAND_ACK: DO_SET_MODE: ACCEPTED
AUTO> Mode AUTO
AP: Mission: 1 WP
Got COMMAND_ACK: REQUEST_AUTOPILOT_CAPABILITIES: ACCEPTED
800
waypoint 1
 600
Flight battery 90 percent
400
200
Flight battery 70 percent
AP: Reached command #1
AP: Mission: 2 WP
waypoint 2
Got COMMAND_ACK: DO_SET_MODE: ACCEPTED
RTL> Mode RTL
Flight battery 50 percent
Flight battery 40 percent
AP: SIM Hit ground at 0.476893 m/s
height 5
AP: Disarming motors
waypoint 0
DISARMED
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The drone flies over a range of 0-30, according to the code, however, it doesn't hit the 30 mark due to a failsafe mechanism that keeps it 10 units below the specified altitude. Hence, we are

getting 10m on the first waypoint and further, 20 after reaching the second way point, which is then fixed at 20 while the third waypoint is reached and the drone returns back to spawn with the same altitude.



Return to home and land

#### Conclusion

In conclusion, we have successfully simulated flight missions using ardupilot.

Overall, this experiment has demonstrated the power and flexibility of ardupilot simulation, and how it can be used to accelerate the development and testing of robotics systems.

Thank you! >.<

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