

# E-Rocket Report 2 - 1 Degree of Freedom Controller

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# 1 Objective

Now that the team can read sensor data and actuate the sensors and motors, it can start development on a software architecture, with a controller. To start of, the team decided to use a simple 1 degree of freedom controller, to ensure the rocket maintains a desired orientation. Independent tests of pitch and roll are performed, in order to evaluate the performance of the controller using the inner beam, or outer ring.

Objectives:

- Implement a software architecture containing a state-machine, mission planner and controller
- Use a 1 degree of freedom control algorithm

## 2 Background

### 3 Architecture

## 4 Setup

The message `VehicleAngularVelocity` is not supported by default <sup>1</sup>.

```
1  # - topic: /fmu/out/vehicle_angular_velocity
2  #   type: px4_msgs::msg::VehicleAngularVelocity
```

**Listing 1:** Message Not Supported for uXRCE DDS Client Module in PX4

In order to use the message, the team had to add it to the `dds_topics.yaml` file, as part of the PX4 uXRCE DDS client module. Afterwards, the team flashed the PX4 firmware to the flight controller, and used the `ros2 topic echo` command to check if the message was being published.

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<sup>1</sup>[https://github.com/PX4/PX4-Autopilot/blob/main/src/modules/uxrce\\_dds\\_client/dds\\_topics.yaml](https://github.com/PX4/PX4-Autopilot/blob/main/src/modules/uxrce_dds_client/dds_topics.yaml)

## 5 Demo

## 6 Results



## 7 Conclusion