Message Details (Copter specific)

ATT (attitude information):

| DesRoll | The pilot's desired roll angle in degrees (roll left is negative, right is positive) |
|----------|---|
| Roll | The vehicle's actual roll in degrees (roll left is negative, right is positive) |
| DesPitch | The pilot's desired pitch angle in degrees (pitch forward is negative, pitch back is positive) |
| Pitch | The vehicle's actual pitch angle in degrees (pitch forward is negative, pitch back is positive) |
| DesYaw | The pilot's desired heading in degrees with 0 = north |
| Yaw | The vehicle's actual heading in degrees with 0 = north |
| ErrRP | The average size of the roll/pitch error estimate (values between 0 and 1) |
| ErrYaw | The average size of the yaw error estimate (values between 0 and 1) |

ATUN (auto tune overview):

| | Axis: 0 = Roll, 1 = Pitch |
|----------|---|
| TuneStep | 0 = Returning towards Level (before or after a test), 1 = Testing (i.e. performing a twitch to test response), 2 = Updating gains (twitch completed and gains adjusted) |
| RateMin | Minimum recorded rate during this test |
| RateMax | Maximum recorded rate during this test |
| RPGain | Rate P gain value being tested |
| RDGain | Rate D gain value being tested |
| SPGain | Stabilize P gain being tested |

ATDE (auto tune step details):

| Angle | Angle of the copter in centi-degrees for the axis being testedx |
|-------|---|
| Rate | Rate of rotation of the copter for the axis being tested |

CAM (time and position when camera shutter was activated):

| GPSTime | The GPS reported time since epoch in milliseconds |
|---------|---|
| Lat | The accelerometer + GPS latitude estimate |
| Lng | The accelerometer + GPS longitude estimate |
| Alt | The accelerometer + barometer estimated altitude in cm above ground |
| Roll | The vehicle roll angle in centi-degrees |
| Pitch | The vehicle pitch angle in centi-degrees |
| Yaw | The vehicle's heading in centi-degrees |

CMD (commands received from the ground station or executed as part of a mission):

| CTot | The total number of commands in the mission |
|------|--|
| CNum | This command's number in the mission (0 is always home, 1 is the first command, etc) |
| Cld | The MAVLink message id |
| Copt | The option parameter (used for many different purposes) |
| Prm1 | The command's parameter (used for many different purposes) |
| Alt | The command's altitude in meters |
| Lat | The command's latitude position |
| Lng | The command's longitude position |

COMPASS (raw compass, offset and compassmot compensation values):

| Field | Description |
|---------------------------|---|
| MagX, MagY. MagZ | Raw magnetic field values for x, y and z axis |
| OfsX, OfsY, OfsZ | Raw magnetic offsets (will only change if COMPASS_LEARN parameter is 1) |
| MOfsX, MOfsY, MOfsZ | Compassmot compensation for throttle or current |

CURRENT (battery voltage, current and board voltage information):

| FIELD | DESCRIPTION |
|--------|---|
| Thr | Pilot input throttle from 0 ~ 1000 |
| ThrInt | Integrated throttle (i.e. sum of total throttle output for this flight) |
| Volt | Battery voltage in volts * 100 |

| Curr | Current drawn from the battery in amps * 100 |
|---------|--|
| Vcc | Board voltage |
| CurrTot | Total current drawn from battery |

CTUN (Control, Throttle and altitude information):

| FIELD | DESCRIPTION |
|--------|---|
| TimeUS | Time stamp for messages (can be ignored) |
| Thl | The pilot's throttle in as a number from 0 to 1000 |
| ABst | Angle Boost: throttle increase (from 0 ~ 1000) as a result of the copter leaning over (automatically added to all pilot and autopilot throttle to reduce altitude loss while leaning) |
| ThO | Final throttle output sent to the motors (from 0 ~ 1000). Normally equal to ThrI+ABst while in stabilize mode. |

| ThH | ? |
|-------|--|
| DAlt | The Desired Altitude while in AltHold, Loiter, RTL or Auto flight modes. It is influenced by EKF origin, which in 3.5.X is corrected by GPS altitude. This is behaviour is turned off in 3.6.X and can be turned on with EKF_OGN_HGT_MASK. |
| Alt | The current EKF Altitude |
| BAIt | Barometer Altitude: The altitude above ground according to the barometer |
| DSAlt | Not used? (Only visible of Sonar is available) |
| SAIt | Sonar Altitude: the altitude above ground according to the sonar (Only visible of Sonar is available) |
| TAIt | Not used? |
| CRate | Climb Rate: Accelerometer + baro estimate in cm/s |

| DCRate | Desired Climb Rate in cm/s |
|--------|----------------------------|
| CRate | Climb Rate in cm/s |

D32, DU32 (single data values which are either signed 32bit integers or unsigned 32bit integers):

| FIELD | DESCRIPTION |
|-------|---|
| | Identification number for the variable. There are only two possible values: |
| id | 7 = bit mask of internal state (The meaning of individual bits can be found in the def'n of the <u>ap structure</u> 9 = simple mode's initial heading in centi-degrees |

EKF (Extended Kalman Filter):

Log information here (Dev Wiki). Overview here.

ERR (an error message):

SubSystem and Error codes listed below

| Subsys | ECode and Description |
|-------------------------|---|
| 2 = Radio | 0 = Errors Resolved 2 = Late Frame : no updates received from receiver for two seconds |
| 3 = Compass | 0 = Errors Resolved 1 = Failed to initialise (probably a hardware issue) 4 = Unhealthy : failed to read from the sensor |
| 5 = Radio Failsafe | 0 = Failsafe Resolved 1 = Failsafe Triggered |
| 6 = Battery Failsafe | 0 = Failsafe Resolved |

| | ● 1 = Failsafe Triggered |
|------------------------------------|---|
| 8 = GCS Failsafe | 0 = Failsafe Resolved 1 = Failsafe Triggered |
| 9 = Fence Failsafe | 0 = Failsafe Resolved 1 = Altitude fence breach, Failsafe Triggered 2 = Circular fence breach, Failsafe Triggered 3 = Both Alt and Circular fence breached, Failsafe Triggered 4 = Polygon fence breached, Failsafe Triggered |
| 10 = Flight mode Change failure | Vehicle was unable to enter the desired flight mode normally because of a bad position estimate See flight mode numbers here |

| 11 = GPS | 0 = Glitch cleared 2 = GPS Glitch occurred |
|---------------------|--|
| 12 = Crash Check | 1 = Crash into ground detected. Normally vehicle is disarmed soon after 2 = Loss of control detected. Normally parachute is released soon after |
| 13 = Flip mode | 2 = Flip abandoned (not armed, pilot input or timeout) |
| 15 = Parachute | 2 = Not Deployed, vehicle too low 3 = Not Deployed, vehicle landed |
| 16 = EKF Check | 0 = Variance cleared (position estimate OK) 2 = Bad Variance (position estimate bad) |

| 17 = EKF Failsafe | 0 = Failsafe Resolved 1 = Failsafe Triggered |
|---------------------------|--|
| 18 = Barometer | 0 = Errors Resolved 4 = Unhealthy : failed to read from the sensor |
| 19 = CPU Load Watchdog | 0 = Failsafe Resolved 1 = Failsafe Triggered (normally vehicle disarms) |
| 20 = ADSB Failsafe | 0 = Failsafe Resolved 1 = No action just report to Pilot 2 = Vehicle avoids by climbing or descending 3 = Vehicle avoids by moving horizontally 4 = Vehicle avoids by moving perpendicular to other vehicle 5 = RTL invoked |

| 21 = Terrain Data | 2 = missing terrain data |
|-----------------------------|---|
| 22 = Navigation | 2 = Failed to set destination 3 = RTL restarted 4 = Circle initialisation failed 5 = Destination outside fence |
| 23 = Terrain Failsafe | 0 = Failsafe Resolved 1 = Failsafe Triggered (normally vehicle RTLs) |
| 24 = EKF Primary changed | 0 = 1st EKF has become primary 1 = 2nd EKF has become primary |
| 25 = Thrust Loss Check | 0 = Thrust Restored 1 = Thrust Loss Detected (altitude may be prioritised over yaw control) |

EV: (an event number). The full list of possible events can be found in <u>defines.h</u> but the most common are:

| Event No | DESCRIPTION |
|-------------|---|
| 10 | Armed |
| 11 | Disarmed |
| 15 | Auto Armed (pilot has raised throttle above zero and autopilot is free to take control of throttle) |
| 18 | Land Complete |
| 25 | Set Home (home location coordinates have been capture) |
| 28 | Not Landed (aka Takeoff complete) |

GPA: (Global Position Accuracy)

| FIELD | DESCRIPTION |
|-------|-------------|
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| VDop | Vertical dilution of precision, a unitless measure of precisionhttps://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dilution_of_precision |
|-------|--|
| HAcc | Horizontal Accuracy as reported by the GPS module, in meters |
| VAcc | Vertical Accuracy as reported by the GPS module, in meters |
| SAcc | Speed accuracy as reported by the GPS, in m/s/s |
| VV | Flag to indicate if the GPS is reporting vertical velocity 0 No vertical velocity data 1 GPS has vertical velocity data |
| SMS | The autopilot time in milliseconds that the accuracy/GPS position data is associated with. |
| Delta | The time between when the previous GPS message and the current GPS message was parsed by the autopilot, in milliseconds |
| GPS: | |
| | |

| FIELD | DESCRIPTION |
|--------|--|
| Status | 0 = no GPS, 1 = GPS but no fix, 2 = GPS with 2D fix, 3 = GPS with 3D fix |
| Time | The GPS reported time since epoch in milliseconds |
| NSats | The number of satellites current being used |
| HDop | A measure of gps precision (1.5 is good, >2.0 is not so good)https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dilution_of_precision |
| Lat | Lattitude according to the GPS |
| Lng | Longitude according to the GPS |
| RelAlt | Accelerometer + Baro altitude in meters |
| Alt | GPS reported altitude (not used by the flight controller) |

| SPD | Horizontal ground speed in m/s |
|------|--------------------------------------|
| GCrs | Ground course in degrees (0 = north) |

IMU (accelerometer and gyro information):

| FIELD | DESCRIPTION |
|------------------------|---|
| GyrX, GyrY, GyrZ | The raw gyro rotation rates in degrees/second |
| AccX, AccY, AccZ | The raw accelerometer values in m/s/s |

Mode (flight mode):

| FIELD | DESCRIPTION |
|-------|---|
| Mode | The flight mode displayed as a string (i.e. STABILIZE, LOITER, etc) |

| ThrCrs | Throttle cruise (from 0 \sim 1000) which is the autopilot's best guess as to what throttle is required to maintain a stable hover |
|--------|---|
| | |

NTUN (navigation information):

| FIELD | DESCRIPTION |
|-------|--|
| WPDst | Distance to the next waypoint (or loiter target) in cm. Only updated while in Loiter, RTL, Auto. |
| WPBrg | Bearing to the next waypoint in degrees |
| PErX | Distance to intermediate target between copter and the next waypoint in the latitude direction |
| PErY | Distance to intermediate target between copter and the next waypoint in the longitude direction |
| DVeIX | Desired velocity in cm/s in the latitude direction |
| DVelY | Desired velocity in cm/s in the longitude direction |

| VelX | Actual accelerometer + gps velocity estimate in the latitude direction |
|------|---|
| VelY | Actual accelerometer + gps velocity estimate in the longitude direction |
| DAcX | Desired acceleration in cm/s/s in the latitude direction |
| DAcY | Desired acceleration in cm/s/s in the longitude direction |
| DRol | Desired roll angle in centi-degrees |
| DPit | Desired pitch angle in centi-degrees |

PM (performance monitoring):

| FIELD | DESCRIPTION |
|-------|--|
| NLon | Number of long running main loops (i.e. loops that take more than 20% longer than they should according to SCHED_LOOP_RATE - ex. 3ms for 400Hz rate) |
| NLoop | The total number of loops since the last PM message was displayed. This allows you to calculate the percentage of slow running loops (which |

| | should never be higher than 15%). Note that the value will depend on the autopilot clock speed |
|------|--|
| MaxT | The maximum time that any loop took since the last PM message. This shouldn't exceed 120% of scheduler loop period, but will be much higher during the interval where the motors are armed |
| Mem | Available memory, in bytes |
| Load | Percentage (times 10) of the scheduler loop period when CPU is used |

RCOUT (pwm output to individual RC outputs):

RC1, RC2, etc : pwm command sent from flight controller to the esc/motor/RC output

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http://ardupilot.org/copter/docs/common-downloading-and-analyzing-data-logs-in-mission-planner.html#message-details-copter-specific