



UsPLM

UNMANNED SYSTEM & PRODUCTS
LIFECYCLE MANAGEMENT SOLUTION

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Agenda

- ❖ Organizational Assessment and Risk Culture
- ❖ Risk Infrastructure
- ❖ Risk Identification
- ❖ Risk Measurement
- ❖ Risk Management
- ❖ Contingency Plan and Disaster Recovery
- ❖ Lessons Learned

Organizational Assessment and Risk Culture





About the Company

- ❖ UsPLM is a software startup based in New York State, USA.
- ❖ UsPLM stands for Unmanned Systems and Product Lifecycle Management Inc.
- ❖ Their tagline is Data Managed, Mission Achieved.
- ❖ This company was founded by Dr. Utpal Roy and Yunpeng Li.



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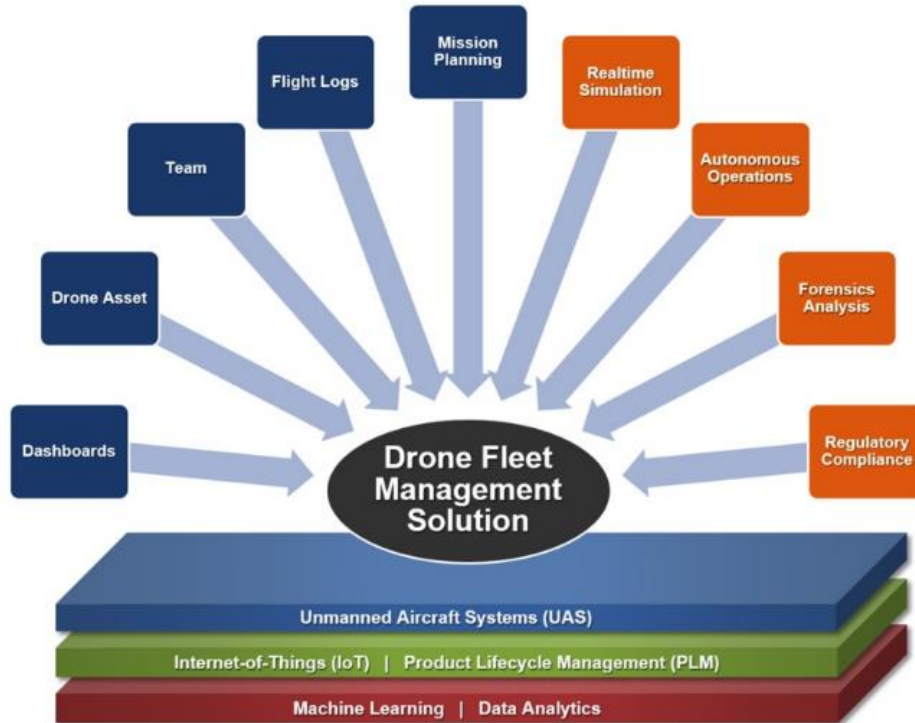
- ❖ Dr Roy is a Professor and Yunpeng Lee is a PhD student in College of Engineering and Computer Science at Syracuse University. They received \$250k after winning Genius NY'18 competition.
- ❖ The Genius NY program is the world's largest business competition for Unmanned Aircraft Systems(UAS).
- ❖ Recently UsPLM was awarded as 2018 Economic champion by CenterState Corporation for Economic Opportunity.



About UAS

- ❖ UAS as a tool or service is used by industrial applications and research scientists.
- ❖ Efficient and safe UAS operations require secure data management and smart decision support systems for mission planning, execution, monitoring, real-time data analytics, and regulatory compliance assurance.
- ❖ The tools currently available in the marketplace for UAS operations are highly scattered.

Services Offered






Clients

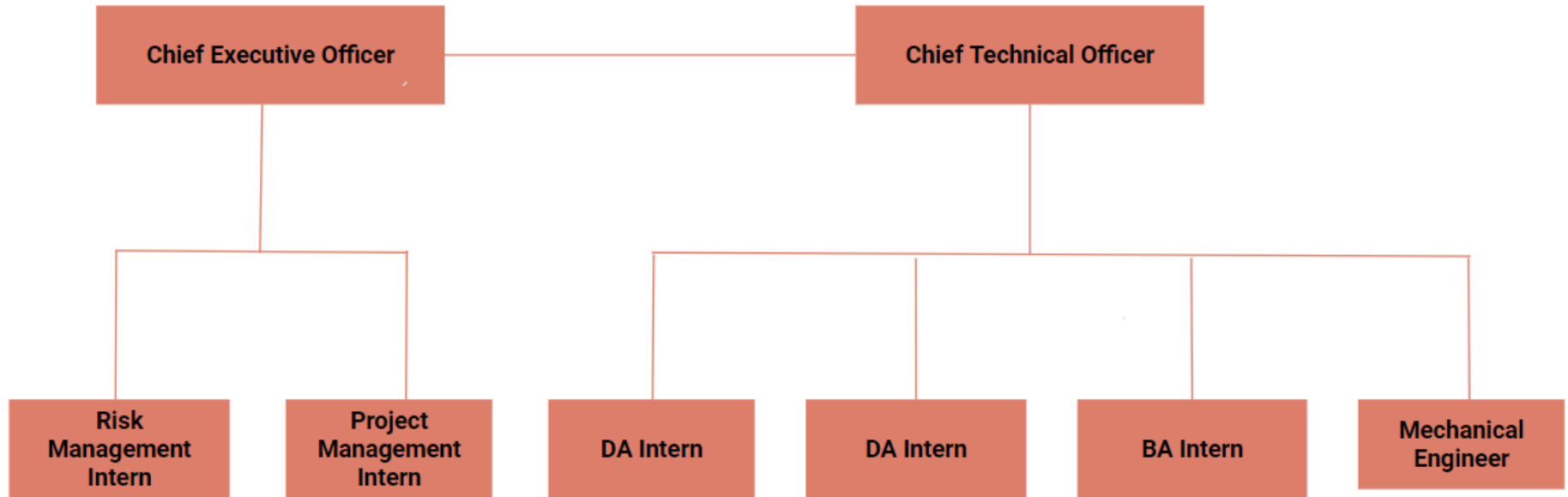
- ❖ UAS operation centers
- ❖ UAS manufacturers
- ❖ Government agencies
- ❖ Research scientists

Risk Infrastructure





Organizational Chart



Risk Identification



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Approach

- ❖ Industry analysis
- ❖ SWOT analysis
- ❖ Interviews
- ❖ Brainstorming



SWOT Analysis

Strengths	Weaknesses
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Resources2. Research3. Expertise	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Budgeting2. Project management3. Lack of business acumen within the top management
Opportunities	Threats
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Partnerships/ Mergers2. Traction with customers	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Losing potential clients2. Small to medium sized competitors3. Large competitors4. Change in regulations for fleet of drones

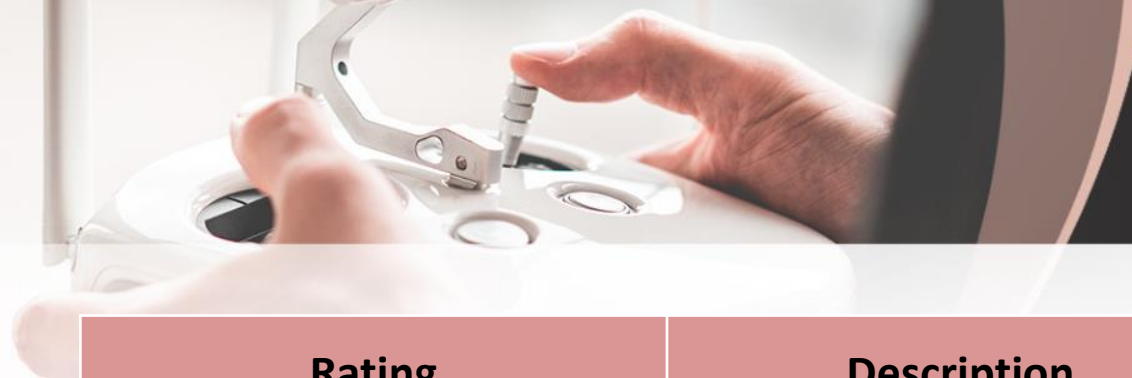
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Risk Types

- ❖ Business risk
- ❖ Human resource risk
- ❖ IT risk
- ❖ Operational risk
- ❖ Technical risk
- ❖ Weather dependent risk

Risk Measurement





Likelihood Scale

Rating	Description	Definition
5	Frequent	Up to once in 7 days
4	Likely	Once in 7 days up to once in 30 days
3	Possible	Once in 30 days up to once in 180 days
2	Unlikely	Once in 180 days up to once in 360 days
1	Rare	Once in 1 year or more



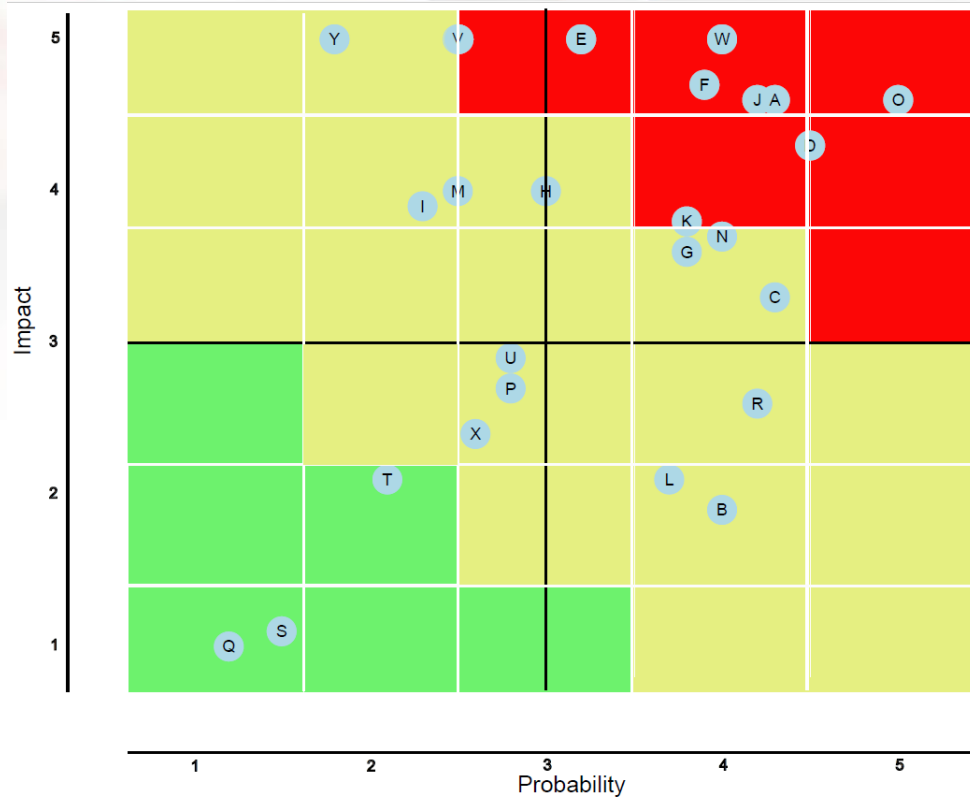
Impact Scale

Rating	Description	Definition
5	Extreme	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Financial loss of \$100k or more and possible bankruptcy•Game-changing loss of market share•Significant prosecution and fines•Senior leader leave
4	Major	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Financial loss of \$50k up to \$100k•Significant loss of market share•Significant blow to customer perception•Unavailability of Interns
3	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Financial loss of \$25k up to \$50k•Finding difficulty in finding funding (grants)•Reduction in business orders•Low morale across the company
2	Minor	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Financial loss of \$10k up to \$25k•Funding not used properly•Product outcome has some small issues•Interns not performing up to the mark
1	Incidental	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Financial loss of \$1k up to \$10k•Research is stuck•Product inventory quality needs innovation•Interns not available during office hours

Risks Identified

Order	Risks	Frequency	Loss	Categories	Risk Score
A	Losing potential clients	4.3	4.6	Business Risk	19.78
B	Documentation not done for various changes	4	1.9	Operational Risk	7.6
C	Business process flow not completed	4.3	3.3	Operational Risk	14.19
D	Project timelines are unclear	4.5	4.3	Operation Risk	19.35
E	Revenue generation	3.2	5	Business Risk	16
F	Resource availability	3.9	4.7	Human Resource Risk	18.33
G	No internal auditing or risk management infrastructure	3.8	3.6	Operational Risk	13.68
H	Dependency of resources for each change	3	4	Human Resource Risk	12
I	Unclear motive for partnerships	2.3	3.9	Business Risk	8.97
J	Product marketing is not done	4.2	4.6	Business Risk	19.32
K	Resource allocation	3.8	3.8	Human Resource Risk	14.44
L	Correct task allocation	3.7	2.1	Operational Risk	7.77
M	Hiring reliable and qualified employees	2.5	4	Human Resource Risk	10
N	Back end development of the product	4	3.7	Technical Risk	14.8
O	Database backup	5	4.6	IT Risk	23
P	Weather uncertainty	2.8	2.7	Weather Dependent Risk	7.56
Q	Drone pilot availability	1.2	1	Operational Risk	1.2
R	Partial failure/loss of navigation system	4.2	2.6	Technical Risk	10.92
S	Existence of corrosion	1.5	1.1	Operational Risk	1.65
T	Pilot unfamiliar with area	2.1	2.1	Operational Risk	4.41
U	Collision with manned, unmanned aircraft or buildings, power lines	2.8	2.9	Operational Risk	8.12
V	Drones Licences and operation	2.5	5	Business Risk	12.5
W	Data Security	4	5	IT Risk	20
X	Spare parts	2.6	2.4	Operational Risk	6.24
Y	FAA regulations concerning unmanned aircrafts	1.8	5	Businesss Risk	9

Risk Map



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Top 5 Risks

- ❖ Database backups
- ❖ Data security
- ❖ Losing potential clients
- ❖ Unclear project timelines
- ❖ Product marketing

Risk Management & Contingency Planning and Disaster Recovery Planning



A close-up photograph of a person's hand inserting a silver USB-A cable into a port on a white electronic device. The device has several other ports and buttons visible. The background is blurred.

Database Backups

Risk Management Strategies:

- ❖ Making multiple database backup.
- ❖ Keeping the backups in geographically different areas.
- ❖ Storing backups on cloud servers.

Contingency plan:

- ❖ Ensure backup servers are functioning properly.
- ❖ Make updates, changes, additions to backups as needed.

A close-up photograph of a person's hand plugging a small, grey, multi-pin connector into a port on a white electronic device. The device has several other ports and buttons visible. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a desk or table.

Database Backups

In the event of a disaster:

- ❖ Notify employees to backup their personal computers.
- ❖ Assess the cause/severity of the server failure.
- ❖ If needed, restart server or transfer data to backup server.
- ❖ Determine how employees should continue their work.

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Data Security

Risk Management Strategies:

- ❖ Implementing pre-established security protocols.
- ❖ Investing in security tools. E.g. SIEM tools.
- ❖ Hiring dedicated security team led by a senior executive officer.

Contingency plan:

- ❖ Review security protocols and tools in place periodically.
- ❖ Update as deemed necessary.
- ❖ If needed, retrain staff/interns.

In the event of a disaster:

- ❖ Notify employees to backup their personal computers.
- ❖ Assess the cause/severity of the security failure.
- ❖ Determine what, if anything, was compromised.



Losing Potential Clients

Risk Management Strategies:

- ❖ Following up with potential clients.
- ❖ Developing a strong business model and making it customer-centric.
- ❖ Using analytical tools to analyze the competitors and their products to improve customer strategy.

Contingency plan:

- ❖ Research the competition.
- ❖ Follow up with lost clients.
- ❖ If needed, implement changes to business model.
- ❖ Maintain good relationship with existing clients.

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Losing Potential Clients

In the event of a disaster:

- ❖ Redesign business model.
- ❖ Reach out to existing clients for referrals.
- ❖ Hire a sales expert.
- ❖ Outsource sales.

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Unclear Project Timelines

Risk Management Strategies:

- ❖ Using project management tools for better clarity.
- ❖ Creating regular documentation and updating it.
- ❖ Regular project meetings.

Contingency plan:

- ❖ Review employee expectations.
- ❖ Review project management tools in place.
- ❖ Assign someone to monitor progress in project management program.

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Unclear Project Timelines

In the event of a disaster:

- ❖ Keep generators on site.
- ❖ Have a plan for employees to work remotely.
- ❖ Communicate expectations to employees.

Risk Management Strategies:

- ❖ Finding business partners and clients willing to invest in the company and the product.
- ❖ Developing a prototype/demo for marketing purposes.
- ❖ Using marketing analytics to target specific customer groups.

Contingency plan:

- ❖ Reassess current marketing strategy.
- ❖ Assess current market needs.
- ❖ If needed, develop a new prototype.

In the event of a disaster:

- ❖ Invest in hiring a marketing expert.
- ❖ Invest in a new marketing campaign.
- ❖ Outsource marketing.

Lessons Learned





Team Perspective

- ❖ It is more difficult to analyze risks for a start up than a medium sized firm since they have just started.
- ❖ There are wide variety of risks involved in a start up around each department that need quick assessment.
- ❖ Risk management is not a priority for start up, it is more of an afterthought.
- ❖ It is difficult for start ups to maintain the morale and positive risk culture internally.
- ❖ Everything is constantly changing in the firm to fit the needs of customers and resource availability.



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