# Improving Flight Accuracy for Aerial Wildlife Surveys in Sub-Saharan Africa

An Exploration of Complexity

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#### **Abstract**

Aerial surveys are vital to assessing animal populations as part of an effort to understand ecosystem health, a primary component of social and economic development in rural regions of Africa. This paper describes the design, deployment and preliminary performance results of a mobile application that provides visual real-time feedback to assist cockpit crews conducting aerial surveys.

#### Introduction

This poster introduces a system that assisted in surveys for the Great Elephant Census. It is based on a 7" Android tablet, which integrates with a laser altimeter mounted externally on the survey aircraft. It provides a point of data fusion, using the built in sensors on the tablet to determine airspeed and location, and display the various pieces of information in one place.

#### Goals

- 1. Provide meaningful cockpit information to assist in survey navigation.
- 2. Reduce the cognitive load of the FSO, who oversees the operation of the aerial surveys.
- 3. Increase the accuracy of aerial surveys.
- 4. Minimize build costs.

#### System Design

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#### **Lessons Learned**

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$$\cos \bar{\phi}_{j} Q_{j+1,k,t} + Q_{j+1,k,y} + \frac{\sin^{2} \bar{\phi}_{j}}{T \cos \bar{\phi}_{j}} Q_{j+1,k} = -\cos \phi_{j} Q_{j,k,t} + Q_{j,k,y} - \frac{\sin^{2} \phi_{j}}{T \cos \phi_{j}} Q_{j,k}.$$
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#### Results

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<b>Treatments</b>	Response 1	Response
Treatment 1	0.0003262	0.562
Treatment 2	0.0015681	0.910
Treatment 3	0.0009271	0.296

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#### **Conclusions**

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### **Forthcoming Research**

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