

Determining capabilities for Cryowing Observer (RC)

- Cruise speed
 - Maintain approx. 120m (?) AGL (keep a safe altitude) and vary throttle input and see how aircraft responds to stick inputs at different speeds.
 - If aircraft can maintain good performance at a certain throttle input over a longer period of time, then this can be a cruise speed (read off airspeed indicator).
 - (Cruise speed can be chosen mathematically, but this is omitted in these tests)
- Stall speed
 - Flaps up and power off
 - Keep aircraft level as long as possible. When aircraft starts upset mode (stalling on one wing side), note this as stall airspeed.
 - Half flaps and power off
 - Keep aircraft level as long as possible. When aircraft starts upset mode (stalling on one wing side), note this as stall airspeed.
 - Full flaps and power off
 - Keep aircraft level as long as possible. When aircraft starts upset mode (stalling on one wing side), note this as stall airspeed.
- Max take-off weight (MTOW)
 - First with no payload and see how aircraft behaves with current weight and CG (centre of gravity)
 - Adjust CG if needed

- Then add 1 kg payloads (depending on standard empty weight)
- Check overall performance (throttle needed to stay level, manoeuvrability of stick inputs (is it slow/irresponsive?))
- If performance difference is unaffected, increase payload weight.
- When the aircraft becomes less responsive but controllable, decrease payload weight slightly (perhaps by 25% of current payload). This can be noted as MTOW (suggestive).
- Max useful load
 - *Max useful load = MTOW – empty weight*

$$(L = \frac{1}{2} C_L \rho v^2 s)$$

- C_L = Coefficient of lift
- ρ = density of air
- v = air speed
- s = Wing surface area

$$\text{Wing loading} = \frac{\text{total weight}}{\text{wing surface area}} [g/dm^2]/[kg/m^2]$$

$$\text{Power loading} = \frac{\text{weight}}{\text{Motor power}} [g/W]$$

$$\text{Power – to – weight} = \frac{\text{Motor Power}}{\text{Weight}} [W/g]$$

Calculate/approximate minimum battery ampere hours

Propeller size : TBD after testing. Most likely 1206.