# **Avionics Side Launch Steps**

## Setup

#### Rocket Side:

- 1. Ensure telemetry, and GPS are connected
- 2. Plug in battery power
- 3. Give several seconds for boot-up
- 4. After connecting to Mission Planner, insert the Avionics Bay into the rocket body.

#### Computer Side:

- 1. Plug in Telemetry radio to USB port
- 2. Open Mission Planner
- 3. Select correct COM Port and Baud Rate
- 4. Click "Connect"
- 5. Wait for connection to finalize
- 6. Once connection finalizes, ensure all parameters are correct

# **Arming/Disarming**

- 1. Go to the "Data"
- 2. Go to the "Actions" Tab in the bottom left section.
- 3. Click "Force Arm"
- 4. It is normal to get errors or warnings, you can select to "Force Arm"
  - a. The main warning to be wary of is lack of satellites, as this will affect your data results.
- 5. Once you read "Armed" in the top left display, (The armed will then disappear after a few seconds) you are now collecting data and can launch.
- 6. If you go back to "quick" you can then look at real-time data being received.
  - a. If you want to change one of the data values, double click the number of the variable you want to change
  - b. Satellite count is listed under "satcount" so just select the check box for that
- 7. With the way the parameters should be set, we should still record data even if we go out of connection range.
- Once the rocket has landed bring it back until you are once again receiving data
- 9. Go back to the "actions" tab and select "arm" again. The system should then disarm and the log should be complete.

## **Confirming Log**

- 1. In the data tab, go to the "Dataflash Logs" small tab in the bottom left (might have to scroll to the right several times"
- 2. Click "Download DataFlash Log Via Mavlink"
- 3. This should populate the list of current saved logs onboard the Navio2. So you can use this to sort of confirm you have a new log after a launch if needed.

- a. Note: Do not try to download from here, it takes forever.
- 4. From here, if you are finished with launches you can disconnect power from the Avionics system.
- 5. You can now move forward with data extraction and analysis.