Silverwing Aeronautics

WaTT testing procedure (power supply, motors, load cells)

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This document specifies the steps to control the Raspberry Pi that interfaces with the power supply, motors and load cells.

Requirements:

- Delta programmable power supply (with ethernet interface)
- Load cells with signal conditioners
- Raspberry Pi with ADC
- T-motor alpha esc's with RPM feedback
- Python script for interfacing between temperature sensor and power supply
- A local network (with internet connection) for the raspberry Pi
 - Phone hotspots the Pi has acces to:
 - Olivier
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 - Ralph
- Acces to the GitHub at olivierwitteman/Silverwing (Timothy, Ralph & Olivier atm)

General procedure

- 1. Make sure all connections are made reliably between
 - 1. Pi and mains outlet (Delta usb port does not provide enough power for Pi)
 - 2. Pi and Delta [ethernet]
 - 3. Pi and Esc's [custom signal wiring]
 - 4. Pi and load cell conditioners (green devices) [custom signal wiring]
 - 5. Delta and Esc's [thick custom wiring with XT60 connectors]
- 2. Connect the interfacing computer to the same network as the Pi is on
- 3. ssh pi@SilverPi.local
 - 1. Password: Silverwing01
- 4. Change directories to Silverwing/WaTT ('cd Silverwing/WaTT') (update the test matrices by following 'Updating the test matrix on the Pi' below)
- 5. Execute the main control script with 'sudo python WaTT.py'
 - 1. Ignore the messages that appear
 - 2. Type the test date (8-11) and hit return
 - 3. Follow the instructions on screen (return for first/next line or type linenumber and return to jump to a specific line). Every time a new setting is selected the script waits 3 seconds to get a stable sample of the rpm and load cells (it will take an average of the last second)
 - 4. Press 'Ctr+C' at any point to exit the script, stop the motors and disable the power supply. To start the script again return to step 4.x.
- 6. Upload test data from Pi
 - 1. ('sudo git pull origin master')
 - 2. 'sudo git add -A'
 - 3. 'sudo git commit -m 'Uploading test data'
 - 4. 'sudo git push'

Updating the test matrix on the Pi

- 1. Make sure you have access to the GitHub (see requirements)
- 2. On your computer
 - 1. Find 'Silverwing/WaTT/WaTT\ test\ matrix' directory on your computer and replace the daily csv files with the updated csv files. Make sure the names match and the old files are overwritten.
 - 2. 'git pull origin master'
 - 3. 'git add -A'
 - 4. 'git commit -m 'Test matrix update'
 - 5. 'git push'
- 3. On the Raspberry Pi (follow the login instructions from general procedure)
 - 1. 'sudo git pull origin master'