

Drone Applications, Components and Assembly

Lab 5

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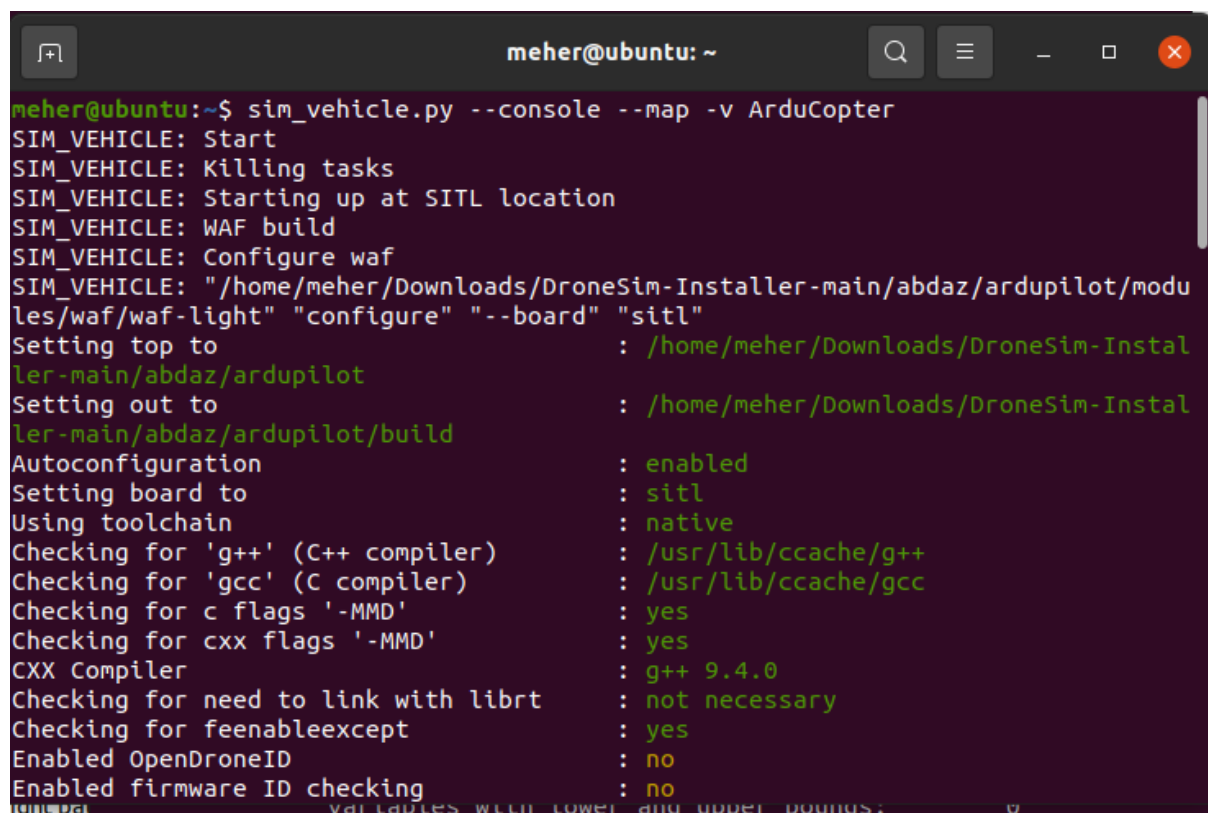
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Procedure:

1. Install required SITL programs – ArduPilot-SITL
2. Install mavproxy to connect with SITL
3. Install the dronekit Python package
4. In a terminal, run the SITL startup command for a copter and in another terminal, run mavproxy:

python sim_vehicle.py --map --console -v ArduCopter

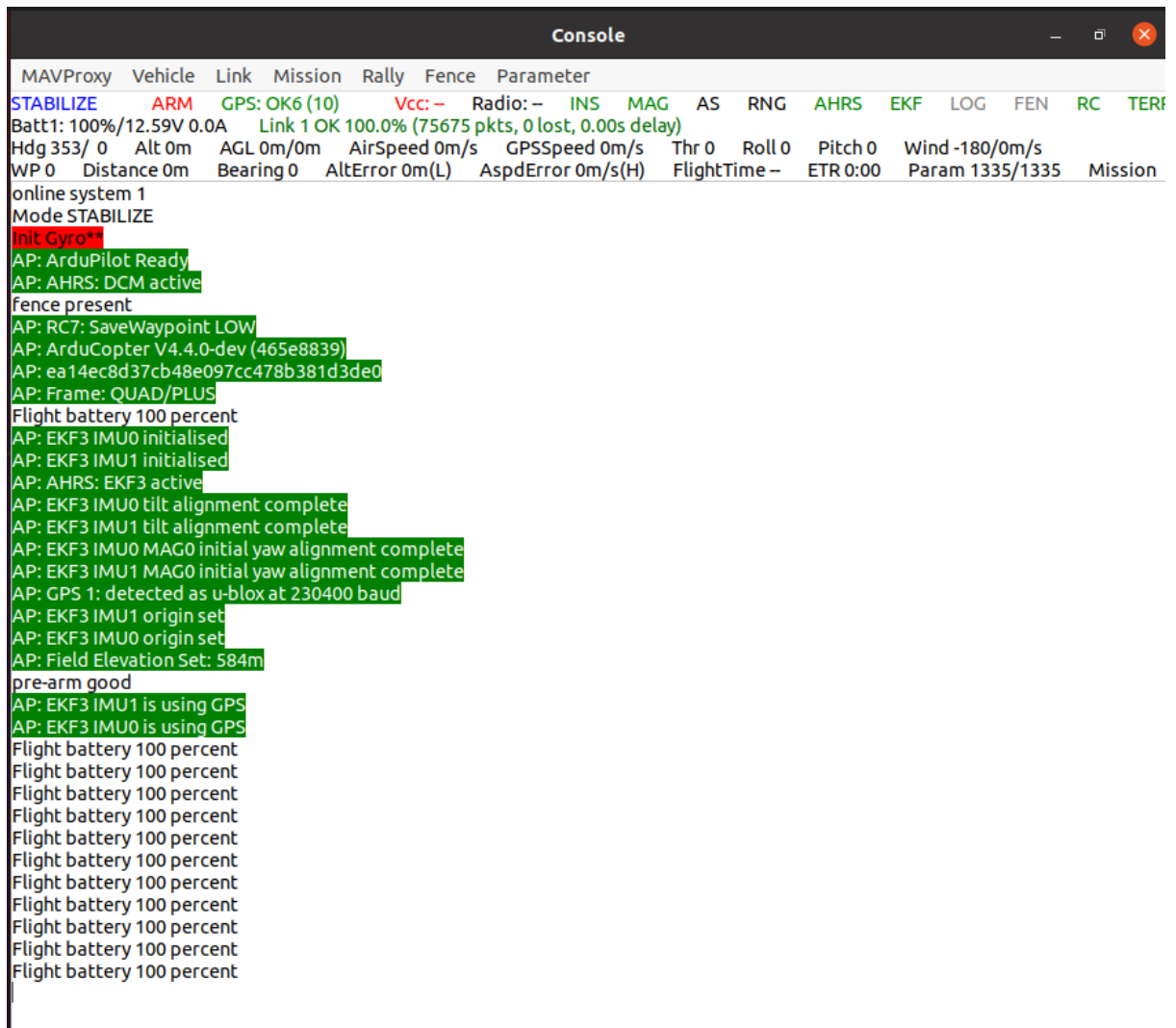
mavproxy.py --master tcp:127.0.0.1:5760 --sitr 127.0.0.1:5501 --out 127.0.0.1:14550 --out 127.0.0.1:14551

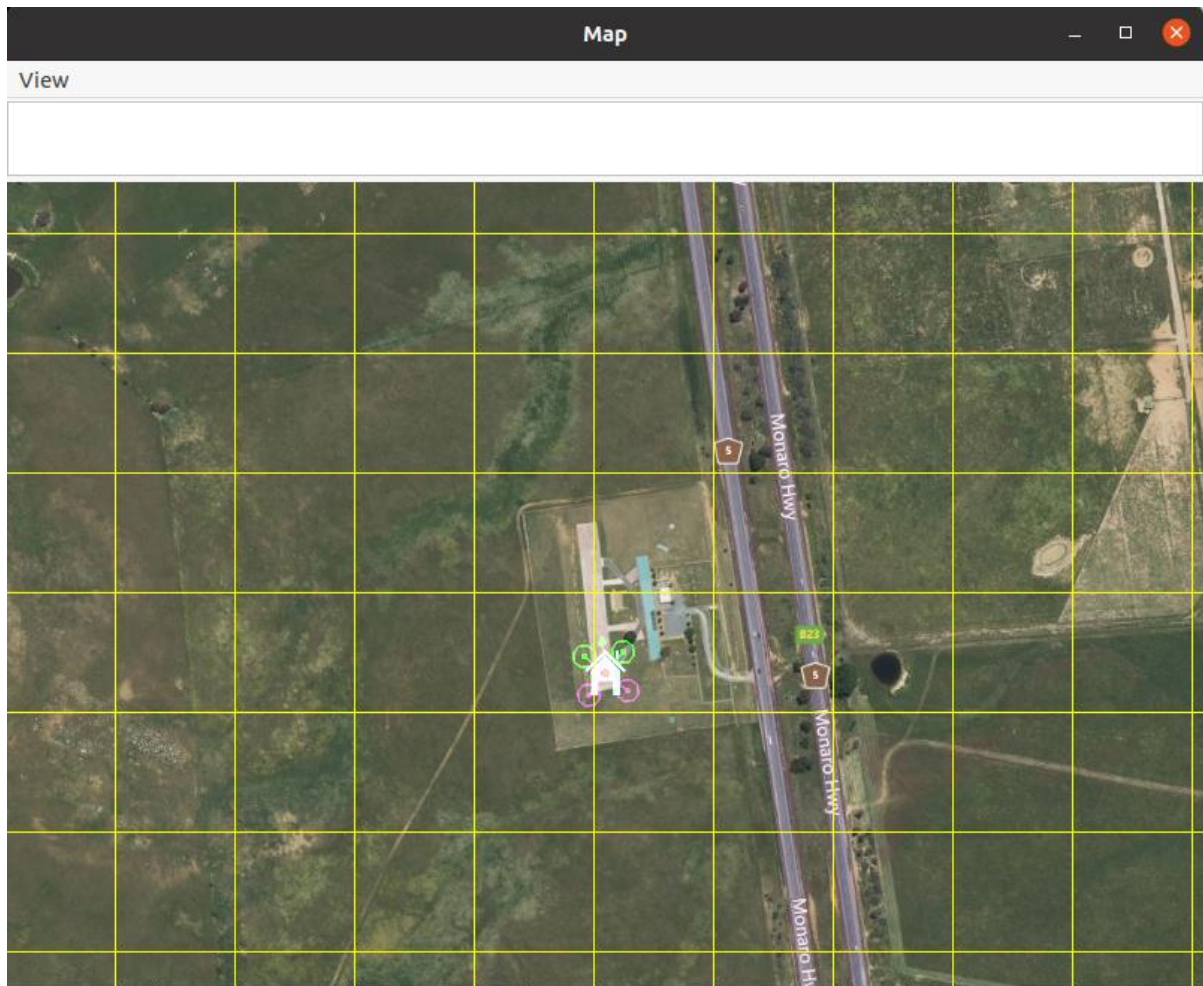


```
meher@ubuntu: ~  
meher@ubuntu:~$ sim_vehicle.py --console --map -v ArduCopter  
SIM_VEHICLE: Start  
SIM_VEHICLE: Killing tasks  
SIM_VEHICLE: Starting up at SITL location  
SIM_VEHICLE: WAF build  
SIM_VEHICLE: Configure waf  
SIM_VEHICLE: "/home/meher/Downloads/DroneSim-Installer-main/abdaz/ardupilot/modules/waf/waf-light" "configure" "--board" "sitr"  
Setting top to : /home/meher/Downloads/DroneSim-Installer-main/abdaz/ardupilot  
Setting out to : /home/meher/Downloads/DroneSim-Installer-main/abdaz/ardupilot/build  
Autoconfiguration : enabled  
Setting board to : sitr  
Using toolchain : native  
Checking for 'g++' (C++ compiler) : /usr/lib/ccache/g++  
Checking for 'gcc' (C compiler) : /usr/lib/ccache/gcc  
Checking for c flags '-MMD' : yes  
Checking for cxx flags '-MMD' : yes  
CXX Compiler : g++ 9.4.0  
Checking for need to link with librt : not necessary  
Checking for feenableexcept : yes  
Enabled OpenDroneID : no  
Enabled firmware ID checking : no  
Variables with lower and upper bounds: 0
```

```
meher@ubuntu: ~  
meher@ubuntu:~$ mavproxy.py --master tcp:127.0.0.1:5760 --sctl 127.0.0.1:5501 --  
out 127.0.0.1:14550 --out 127.0.0.1:14551  
Connect tcp:127.0.0.1:5760 source_system=255  
Log Directory:  
Telemetry log: mav.tlog  
Waiting for heartbeat from tcp:127.0.0.1:5760  
MAV> link 1 down
```

```
ArduCopter  
Setting SIM_SPEEDUP=1.000000  
Suggested EK3_DRAG_BCOEF_* = 16.288, EK3_DRAG_MCOEF = 0.209  
Starting sketch 'ArduCopter'  
Starting SITL input  
Using Irlock at port : 9005  
bind port 5760 for 0  
Serial port 0 on TCP port 5760  
Waiting for connection ....  
Connection on serial port 5760  
Loaded defaults from Downloads/DroneSim-Installer-main/abdaz/ardupilot/Tools/aut  
otest/default_params/copter.parm  
bind port 5762 for 2  
Serial port 2 on TCP port 5762  
bind port 5763 for 3  
Serial port 3 on TCP port 5763  
Home: -35.363262 149.165237 alt=584.000000m hdg=353.000000  
Smoothing reset at 0.001  
validate_structures:489: Validating structures  
Loaded defaults from Downloads/DroneSim-Installer-main/abdaz/ardupilot/Tools/aut  
otest/default_params/copter.parm
```





5. In a third terminal, run the required python file. Below are the codes, outputs and terminals of the three python files.

moveDrone.py

```
from dronekit import connect, VehicleMode, LocationGlobalRelative
```

```
from pymavlink import mavutil
```

```
import time
```

```
import math
```

```
# Set up connection to vehicle
```

```
vehicle = connect('udp:127.0.0.1:14550')
```

```
# Set vehicle mode to GUIDED
```

```
vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("GUIDED")
```

```

# Define base location and target location

base_location = LocationGlobalRelative(37.6189, -122.3750, 10)
target_location = LocationGlobalRelative(37.6200, -122.3770, 20)


# Arm and takeoff

vehicle.armed = True

vehicle.simple_takeoff(base_location.alt)


# Wait for takeoff to complete

while True:

    if abs(vehicle.location.global_relative_frame.alt - base_location.alt) < 1.0:

        print("Reached target altitude")

        break

    time.sleep(1)


# Go to target location

vehicle.simple_goto(target_location)


def distance_to(self, other):

    dlat = other.lat - self.lat

    dlong = other.lon - self.lon

    return math.sqrt((dlat*dlat) + (dlong*dlong)) * 1.113195e5


# Wait for arrival at target location

while True:

    if distance_to(vehicle.location.global_relative_frame, target_location) < 1.0:

        print("Reached target location")

        break

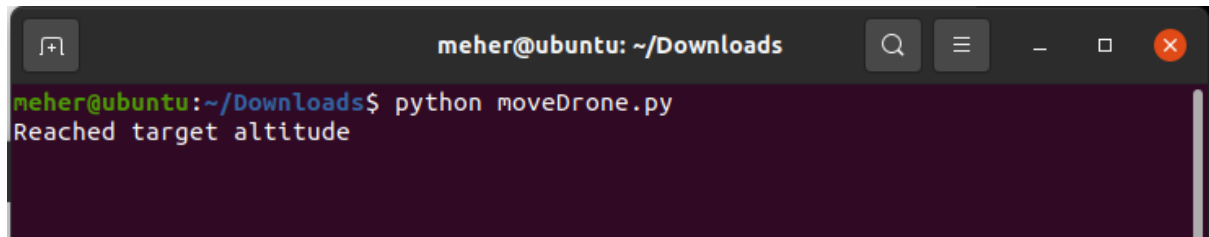
    time.sleep(1)

```

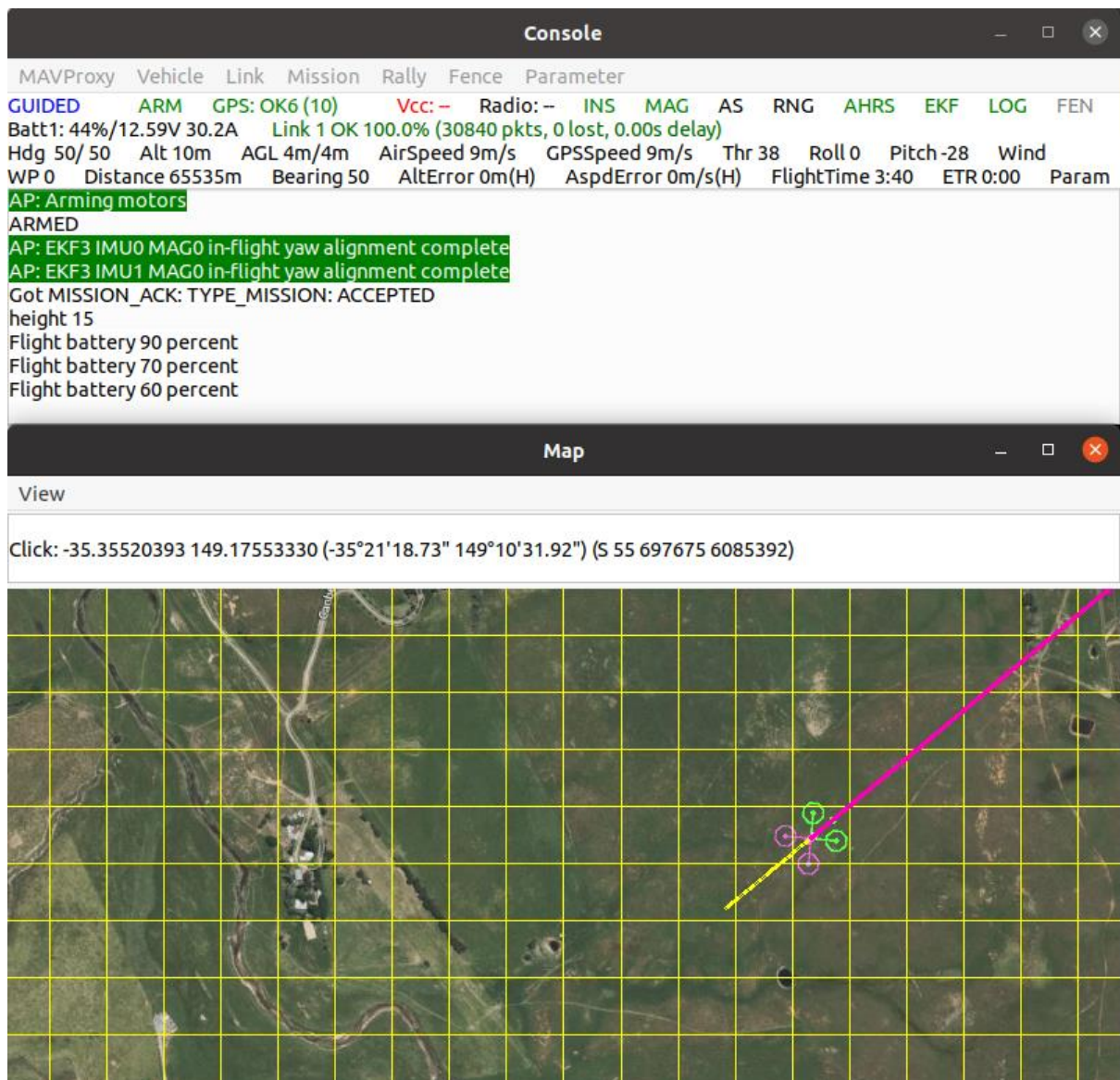
```
# Set mode to RTL and land
vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("RTL")

while True:
    if vehicle.mode.name == "LAND":
        print("Vehicle landed")
        break
    time.sleep(1)

# Close connection to vehicle
vehicle.close()
```

A terminal window titled "meher@ubuntu: ~/Downloads" with standard window controls. The prompt is "meher@ubuntu:~/Downloads\$". The command "python moveDrone.py" has been executed, and the output "Reached target altitude" is displayed on the line below.

```
meher@ubuntu: ~/Downloads
meher@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ python moveDrone.py
Reached target altitude
```



seriesWaypoint.py

```
from dronekit import connect, VehicleMode, LocationGlobalRelative
```

```
import time
```

```
# Connect to the vehicle
```

```
vehicle = connect('udp:127.0.0.1:14550')
```

```
# Arm and take off
```

```
vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("GUIDED")
```

```
vehicle.armed = True
```

```
vehicle.simple_takeoff(10)
```

```

# Wait for the drone to reach a certain altitude

while True:

    altitude = vehicle.location.global_relative_frame.alt

    if altitude >= 9.5: # target altitude - 0.5 meters

        break

    time.sleep(1)


# Define the mission waypoints

waypoints = [

    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793105, -122.398768, 20),

    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793109, -122.398824, 20),

    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793095, -122.398857, 20),

    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793057, -122.398843, 20),

    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793042, -122.398797, 20),

    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793050, -122.398751, 20),

    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793084, -122.398722, 20),

    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793119, -122.398724, 20)

]


# Fly the mission

for wp in waypoints:

    vehicle.simple_goto(wp)

    while True:

        distance = vehicle.location.global_relative_frame.distance_to(wp)

        if distance <= 1: # target radius in meters

            break

        time.sleep(1)

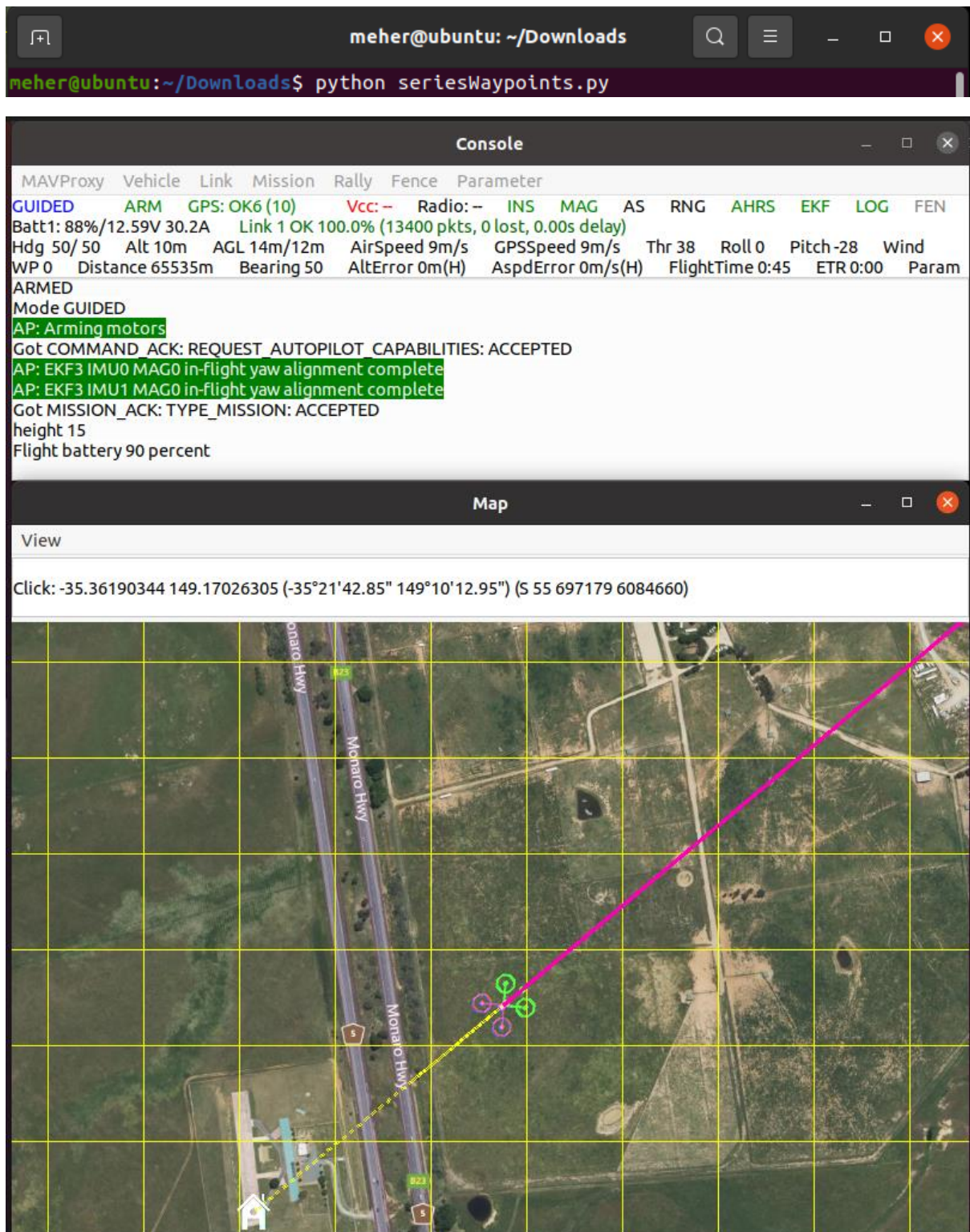

# Land the drone

vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("LAND")

```


Close the connection

vehicle.close()



```
Console
MAVProxy Vehicle Link Mission Rally Fence Parameter
GUIDED ARM GPS: OK6 (10) Vcc: - Radio: - INS MAG AS RNG AHRS EKF LOG FEN
Batt1: 36%/12.59V 16.0A Link 1 OK 100.0% (38183 pkts, 0 lost, 0.00s delay)
Hdg 48/ 50 Alt 10m AGL 0m/0m AirSpeed 0m/s GPSSpeed 0m/s Thr 0 Roll 0 Pitch 0 Wind -180/0m/s
WP 0 Distance 65535m Bearing 50 AltError 0m(H) AspdError 0m/s(H) FlightTime 4:24 ETR 0:00 Param
Got COMMAND ACK: REQUEST_AUTOPILOT_CAPABILITIES: ACCEPTED
AP: EKF3 IMU0 MAG0 in-flight yaw alignment complete
AP: EKF3 IMU1 MAG0 in-flight yaw alignment complete
Got MISSION_ACK: TYPE_MISSION: ACCEPTED
height 15
Flight battery 90 percent
Flight battery 80 percent
Flight battery 60 percent
Flight battery 50 percent
```

PID.py

```
from dronekit import connect, VehicleMode, LocationGlobalRelative
```

```
import time
```

```
vehicle = connect('udp:127.0.0.1:14550')
```

```
vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("GUIDED")
```

```
vehicle.armed = True
```

```
vehicle.simple_takeoff(10)
```

```
while True:
```

```
    altitude = vehicle.location.global_relative_frame.alt
```

```
    if altitude >= 9.5: # target altitude - 0.5 meters
```

```
        break
```

```
    time.sleep(1)
```

```
# so apparently, this keeps updating the mission in accordance to the controller.
```

```
class PIDController:
```

```
    def __init__(self, kp, ki, kd, setpoint):
```

```
        self.kp = kp
```

```
        self.ki = ki
```

```
        self.kd = kd
```

```
        self.setpoint = setpoint
```

```
self.error = 0  
self.error_integral = 0  
self.error_derivative = 0  
self.last_error = 0  
self.last_time = time.time()
```

```
def update(self, measured_value):
```

```
    current_time = time.time()  
    elapsed_time = current_time - self.last_time
```

```
    self.error = self.setpoint - measured_value  
    self.error_integral += self.error * elapsed_time  
    self.error_derivative = (self.error - self.last_error) / elapsed_time
```

```
    output = self.kp * self.error + self.ki * self.error_integral + self.kd * self.error_derivative
```

```
    self.last_error = self.error  
    self.last_time = current_time
```

```
    return output
```

```
def control_algorithm(wp):
```

```
    pid = PIDController(0.1, 0.05, 0.01, wp.alt)
```

```
    while True:
```

```
        altitude = vehicle.location.global_relative_frame.alt  
        output = pid.update(altitude)
```

```
        vehicle.simple_goto(LocationGlobalRelative(wp.lat, wp.lon, output))  
        time.sleep(1)
```

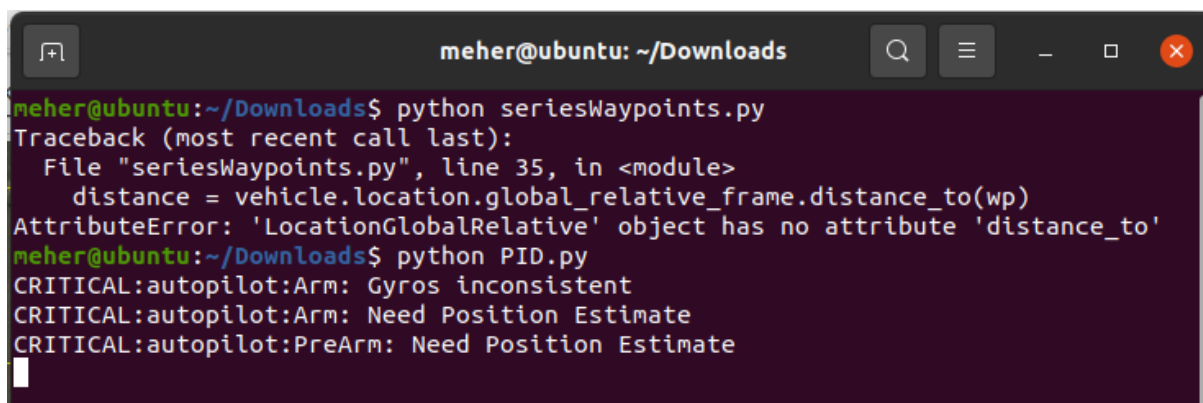
```
if abs(altitude - wp.alt) <= 0.5: # target altitude - 0.5 meters
    break
```

```
waypoints = [
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793105, -122.398768, 20),
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793109, -122.398824, 30),
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793095, -122.398857, 25),
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793057, -122.398843, 35),
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793042, -122.398797, 30),
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793050, -122.398751, 25),
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793084, -122.398722, 35),
    LocationGlobalRelative(37.793119, -122.398724, 30)
]
```

```
for wp in waypoints:
    control_algorithm(wp)
```

```
vehicle.mode = VehicleMode("LAND")
```

```
vehicle.close()
```

A terminal window titled 'meher@ubuntu: ~/Downloads' with standard window controls. The terminal shows the execution of 'python seriesWaypoints.py', which results in a 'Traceback (most recent call last):' error. The error message is 'AttributeError: 'LocationGlobalRelative' object has no attribute 'distance_to''. Below the error, the user runs 'python PID.py', which outputs three 'CRITICAL' messages from the autopilot: 'autopilot:Arm: Gyros inconsistent', 'autopilot:Arm: Need Position Estimate', and 'autopilot:PreArm: Need Position Estimate'.

```
meher@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ python seriesWaypoints.py
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "seriesWaypoints.py", line 35, in <module>
    distance = vehicle.location.global_relative_frame.distance_to(wp)
AttributeError: 'LocationGlobalRelative' object has no attribute 'distance_to'
meher@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ python PID.py
CRITICAL:autopilot:Arm: Gyros inconsistent
CRITICAL:autopilot:Arm: Need Position Estimate
CRITICAL:autopilot:PreArm: Need Position Estimate
```



```
meher@ubuntu: ~/Downloads
meher@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ python seriesWaypoints.py
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "seriesWaypoints.py", line 35, in <module>
    distance = vehicle.location.global_relative_frame.distance_to(wp)
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CRITICAL:autopilot:Arm: Need Position Estimate
CRITICAL:autopilot:PreArm: Need Position Estimate
```

Console

MAVProxy	Vehicle	Link	Mission	Rally	Fence	Parameter										
GUIDED	ARM	GPS: OK6 (10)	Vcc: --	Radio: --	INS	MAG	AS	RNG	AHRS	EKF	LOG	FEN				
Batt1: 100%/12.59V 0.0A Link 1 OK 100.0% (8816 pkts, 0 lost, 0.00s delay)																
Hdg 354/ 0	Alt 0m	AGL 0m/0m	AirSpeed 0m/s	GPSSpeed 0m/s	Thr 0	Roll 0	Pitch 0	Wind -180/0m/s								
WP 0	Distance 0m	Bearing 0	AltError 0m(H)	AspdError 0m/s(H)	FlightTime --	ETR 0:00	Param									
AP: Arm: Gyros inconsistent																
AP: Arm: Need Position Estimate																
Got COMMAND_ACK: NAV_TAKEOFF: FAILED																
Got COMMAND_ACK: REQUEST_AUTOPILOT_CAPABILITIES: ACCEPTED																
AP: PreArm: Need Position Estimate																
AP: EKF3 IMU1 is using GPS																
AP: EKF3 IMU0 is using GPS																
pre-arm good																
Flight battery 100 percent																

Map

View

Map Downloading 4
Click: -35.36204568 149.16733015 (-35°21'43.36" 149°10'02.39") (S 55 696913 6084650) Distance: 235.015m 0.127nm
Bearing 54.5