

HW3 Calibrated Controlled Propeller

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Requirements

Hardware

- There shall be at least one IR led emitter and detector circuit
- There shall be two motor that are spun via electronic speed control (ESC)
- An Arduino board shall control the circuits
- External battery supply shall be used for the motors
- Blades shall be attached to at least one motor and pass through an emitter/detector pair

Software

- The software running on the Arduino shall use function queue scheduling design
- The software shall capture the rotations per minute (RPM) every second
- The software shall capture the command every second
- The software shall capture the time every second
- The software shall command the motors via the ESC from min rotation speed to max, then back down to min

Parts List

- (1) Arduino Uno
- (1) 10k resistor
- (1) 220 ohm resistor
- (1) spool of hobby wire
- (1) USB 2.0 A/B cable
- (1) breadboard
- (1) 12v battery preferable Zippy Compact 25c Series 4000 Li-Po Battery
- (1) XT60 Connector Pair
- (1) LED of any color
- (1) Infrared Emitter and Detector (Radio shack 276-142)
- (2) Turnigy Multistar 30 Amp Multi-rotor Brushless ESC 2-4S
- (1) Gemfan 9x4.7 Nylon Prop Set (1x CW & 1x CCW)
- (2) Turnigy Multistar ESC Programming Card
- Wood to hold motor and emitter/detector
- Nails
- Twist ties
- Black electrical tape

Required Software

- Arduino Sketch v1.0
- DuinOS v0.4
- AVRQueue
- Microsoft Excel 2010

Architecture

Hardware

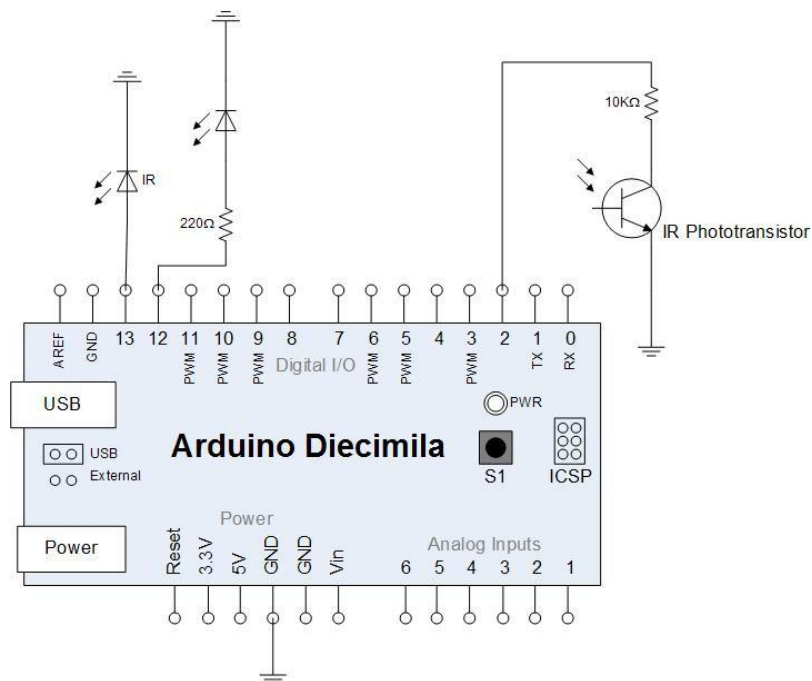


Figure 1 - Circuit Schematic [1]

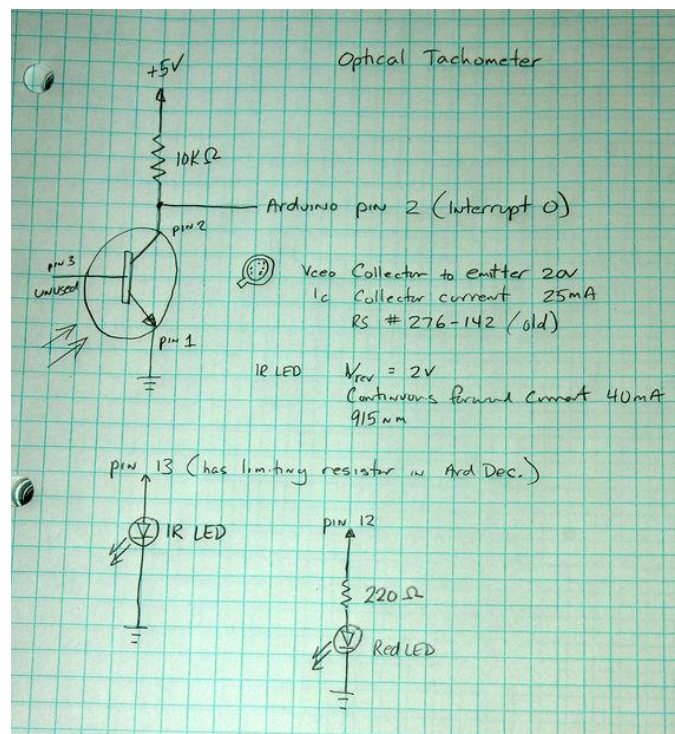


Figure 2 – Schematic Notes [1]



Figure 3 – Emitter Detector Sensors

Software

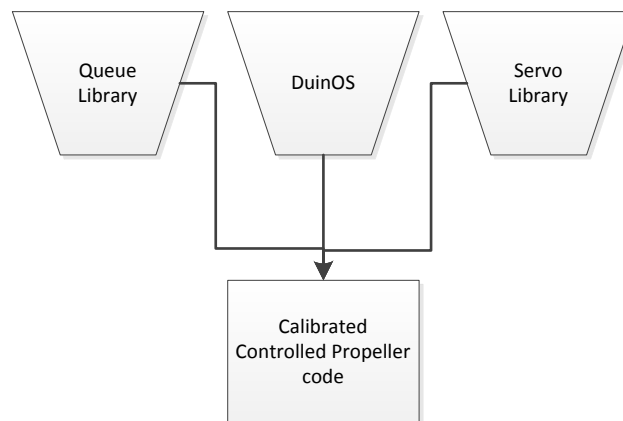


Figure 4 - Software Architecture Diagram

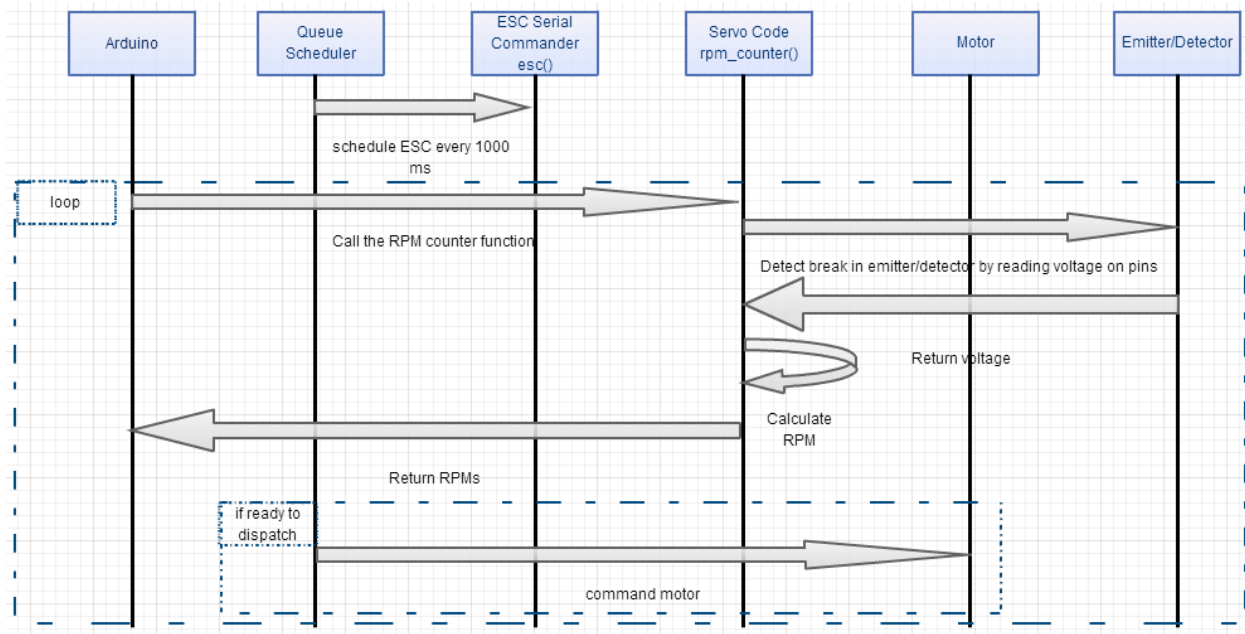
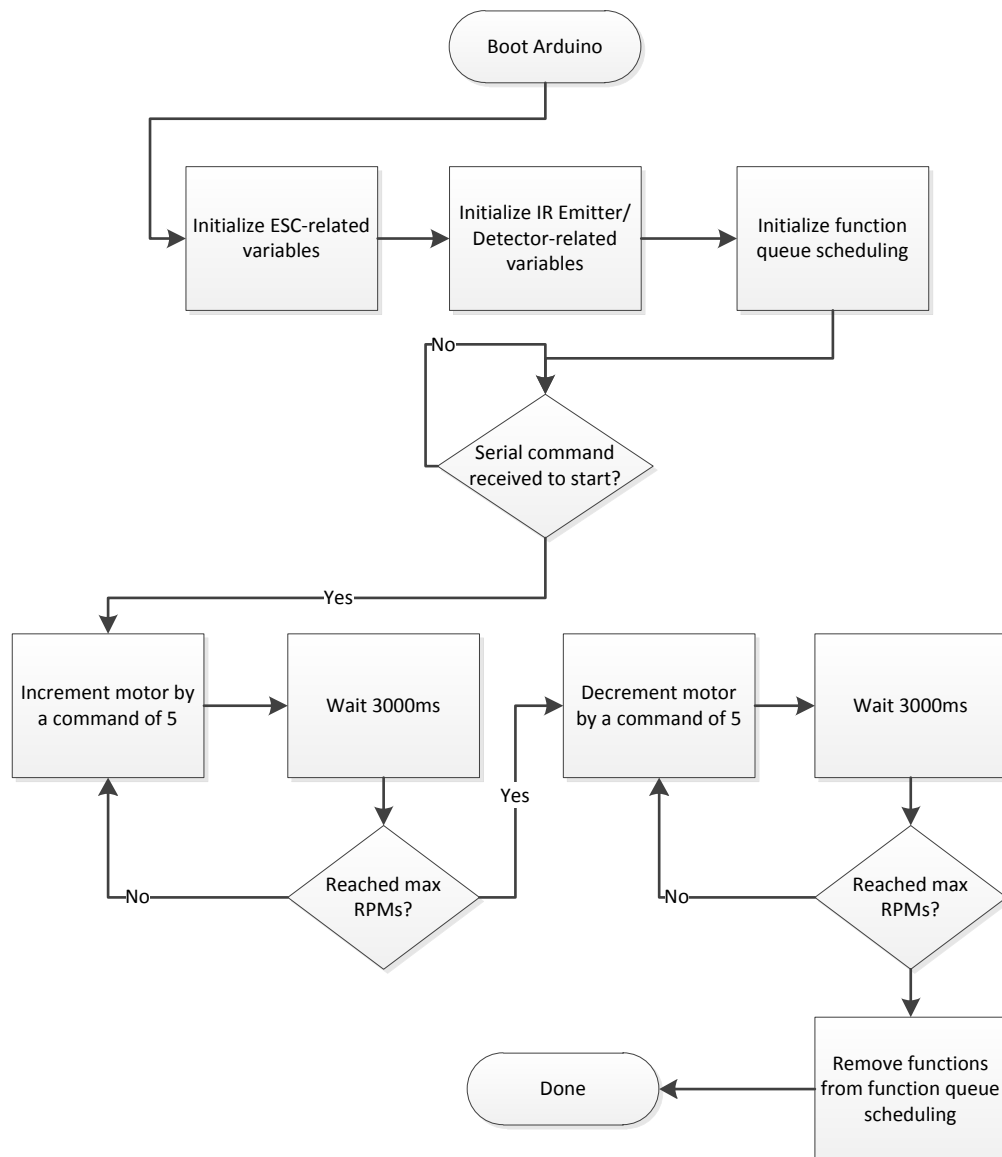


Figure 5 - Hardware/Software Sequence Diagram

Design

Software



Photos of the Hardware



Figure 6 – Tactical Test Setup

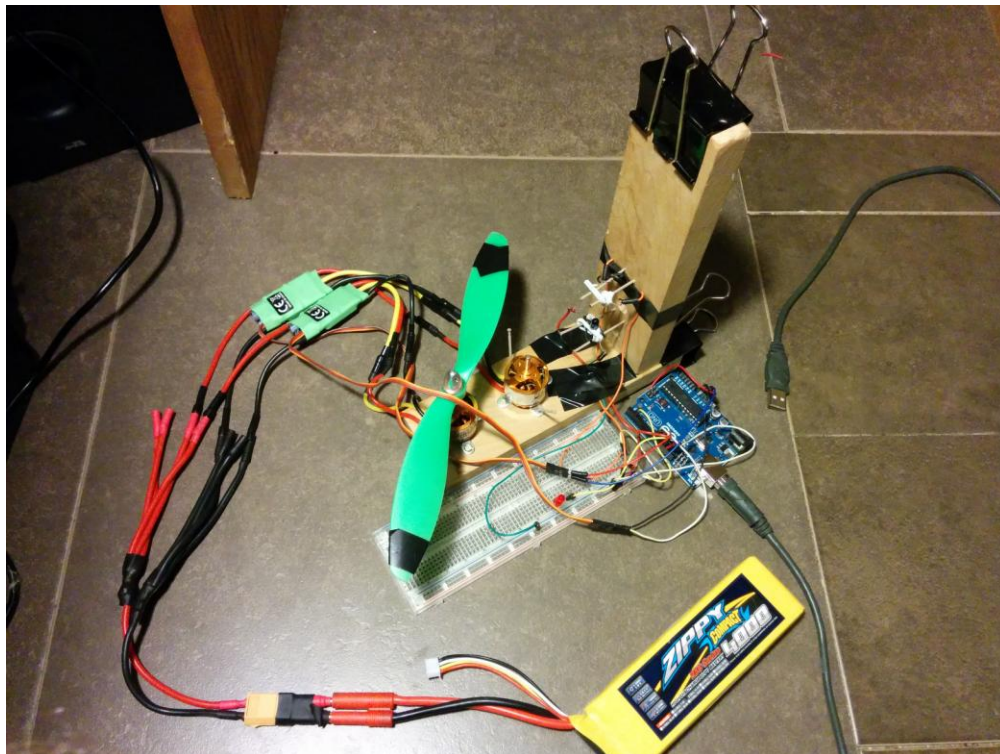


Figure 7 - Top View of the Test Setup

Implementation

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#include <Queue.h>
#include <Servo.h>

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//References:
// http://www.instructables.com/id/Arduino-Based-Optical-Tachometer/
// http://techvalleyprojects.blogspot.com/2012/06/arduino-control-
escmotor-tutorial.html
// https://github.com/Zuph/AVRQueue

//CMD variables (range of 15 to 150)
int serial_cmd = 5; //serial commands start at 10
int MAX_SERIAL_CMD = 100; //max serial command
int SERIAL_CMD_INCREMENT = 5; //increment serial commands by 20

//Queue variables
Queue myQueue;

//ESC variables
// This is our motor.
Servo myMotor;
Servo myMotor2;
// This is the final output
// written to the motor.
String incomingString;

//IR Emitter Detector variables
int ledPin = 13; // IR LED connected to digital pin 13
int statusPin = 12; // LED connected to digital pin 12
volatile byte rpmcount;
volatile int status;
unsigned int rpm;
unsigned long timeold;

//IR Emitter Detector function
void rpm_fun()
{
    //Each rotation, this interrupt function is run twice, so take that
    into consideration for
    //calculating RPM
    //Update count
    rpmcount++;

    //Toggle status LED
    if (status == LOW) {
        status = HIGH;
    } else {
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        status = LOW;
    }
    digitalWrite(statusPin, status);
}

int cmd()
{
    serial_cmd+=SERIAL_CMD_INCREMENT; //increment the serial command
    if(serial_cmd > MAX_SERIAL_CMD)
    {
        SERIAL_CMD_INCREMENT *= -1; //incrementally spin down the motors
    }

    if(serial_cmd <= 0)
    {
        // we are done!
        myQueue.scheduleRemoveFunction("ESC");
    }

    return serial_cmd;
}

void setup() {
    // Required for I/O from Serial monitor
    Serial.begin(9600);

    //ESC setup
    Serial.println("Initializing ESC");
    // Put the motors to Arduino pin 9 and 10
    myMotor.attach(9);
    myMotor2.attach(10);

    //IR Emitter Detector setup
    //Interrupt 0 is digital pin 2, so that is where the IR detector
is connected
    //Triggers on FALLING (change from HIGH to LOW)
    attachInterrupt(0, rpm_fun, FALLING);
    //Turn on IR LED
    pinMode(ledPin, OUTPUT);
    digitalWrite(ledPin, HIGH);
    //Use statusPin to flash along with interrupts
    pinMode(statusPin, OUTPUT);
    rpmcount = 0;
    rpm = 0;
    timeold = 0;
    status = LOW;

    //Function queue scheduling setup
    Serial.println("Initializing function queue scheduling");
    myQueue.scheduleFunction(esc, "ESC", 0, 3000);

    //Print table header

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Serial.println("Time(ms),RPM,Command");

//Wait until start command i.e. any input serial comms
Serial.println("Plug battery into motors, then send any serial
command");
while(!Serial.available()) {}

while(1) {
    myQueue.Run(millis());
    rpm_counter();
}

//Receive ESC commands via serial
int esc(unsigned long now)
{
    int val = cmd(); //new rotation speed

    /* We only want to write an integer between
    * 0 and 180 to the motor.
    */
    if (val > -1 && val < 181)
    {
        // Print confirmation that the
        // value is between 0 and 180
        // Write to Servo
        myMotor.write(val);
        myMotor2.write(val);
    }
}

//Count RPMs
void rpm_counter()
{
    //Update RPM every second
    delay(1000);
    //Don't process interrupts during calculations
    detachInterrupt(0);
    //Note that this would be 60*1000/(millis() - timeold)*rpmcount if
the interrupt
    //happened once per revolution instead of twice. Other multiples
could be used
    //for multi-bladed propellers or fans
    rpm = 30*1000/(millis() - timeold)*rpmcount;
    timeold = millis();
    rpmcount = 0;

    //Write it out to serial port
    Serial.print(millis());
    Serial.print(",");

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    Serial.print(rpm,DEC) ;
    Serial.print(",") ;
    Serial.println(serial_cmd) ;

    //Restart the interrupt processing
    attachInterrupt(0, rpm_fun, FALLING) ;
}

//not using the loop in this program
void loop() {
}

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Results

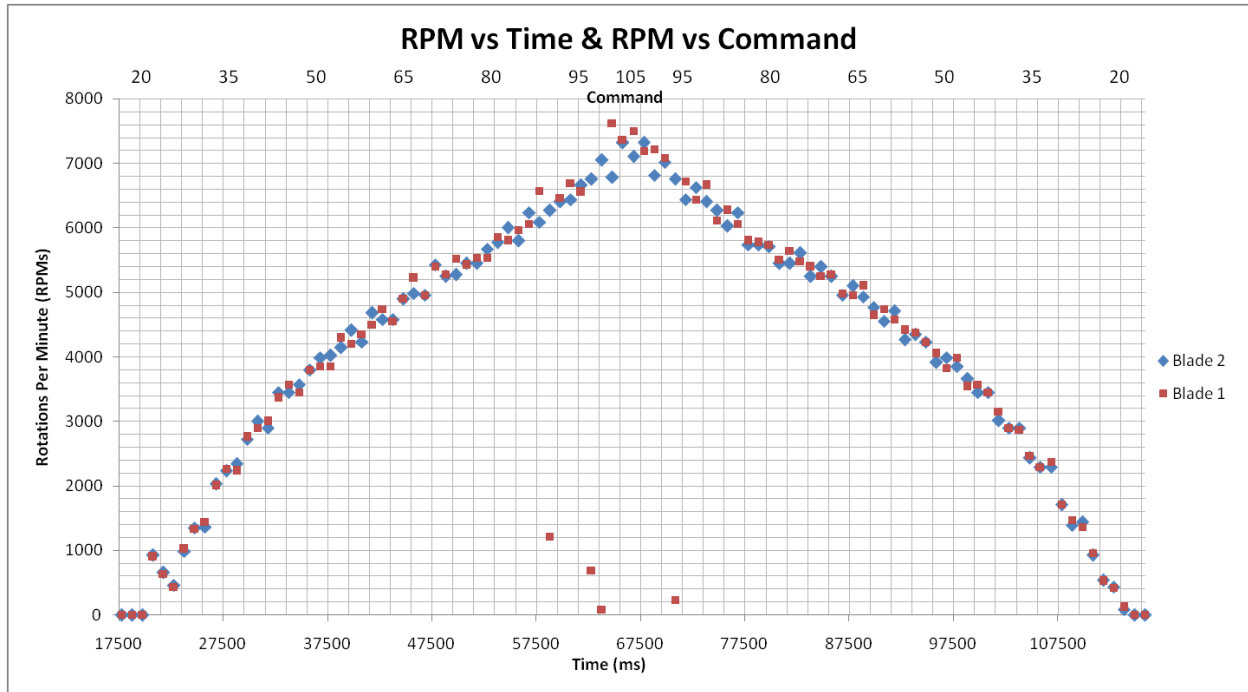
Blade 1

Time(ms)	RPM	Command	54435	5520	75	88465	5394	75
			55436	5423	80	89466	5249	75
22408	0	25	56437	5539	80	90467	5278	75
23409	0	25	57438	5539	80	91468	4988	70
24410	0	25	58439	5858	85	92469	4959	70
25410	900	30	59440	5800	85	93469	5100	70
26411	638	30	60440	5970	85	94471	4640	65
27412	435	30	61442	6061	90	95471	4740	65
28412	1020	35	62442	6570	90	96473	4582	65
29414	1334	35	63443	1218	90	97473	4410	60
30414	1440	35	64444	6467	95	98473	4380	60
31415	2001	40	65445	6690	95	99475	4234	60
32416	2262	40	66446	6554	95	100475	4050	55
33417	2233	40	67446	690	100	101477	3828	55
34418	2755	45	68448	87	100	102477	3990	55
35419	2900	45	69448	7620	100	103479	3538	50
36419	3000	45	70450	7366	105	104479	3570	50
37421	3364	50	71450	7500	105	105481	3451	50
38421	3570	50	72451	7192	105	106481	3150	45
39422	3451	50	73452	7221	100	107482	2900	45
40423	3799	55	74452	7080	100	108483	2871	45
41424	3857	55	75454	232	100	109484	2465	40
42425	3857	55	76454	6720	95	110485	2291	40
43425	4290	60	77456	6438	95	111485	2370	40
44427	4205	60	78456	6660	95	112487	1711	35
45427	4350	60	79458	6119	90	113487	1470	35
46429	4495	65	80458	6270	90	114489	1363	35
47429	4740	65	81459	6061	90	115489	960	30
48430	4553	65	82460	5800	85	116491	522	30
49431	4901	70	83461	5771	85	117491	420	30
50432	5220	70	84462	5742	85	118492	116	25
51433	4959	70	85463	5510	80	119493	0	25
52433	5400	75	86463	5640	80	120494	0	25
53435	5278	75	87464	5481	80			

Blade 2

Time(ms)	RPM	Command	49810	5278	75	83841	5249	75
			50811	5452	80	84841	5400	75
17783	0	25	51812	5452	80	85842	5249	75
18784	0	25	52812	5670	80	86843	4959	70
19784	0	25	53814	5771	85	87843	5100	70
20786	928	30	54814	6000	85	88845	4930	70
21786	660	30	55816	5800	85	89845	4770	65
22787	464	30	56816	6240	90	90847	4553	65
23788	986	35	57818	6090	90	91847	4710	65
24788	1350	35	58818	6270	90	92849	4263	60
25789	1363	35	59819	6409	95	93849	4350	60
26790	2030	40	60820	6438	95	94850	4234	60
27791	2233	40	61820	6660	95	95851	3915	55
28792	2340	40	62822	6757	100	96851	3990	55
29793	2726	45	63822	7050	100	97853	3857	55
30793	3000	45	64824	6786	100	98853	3660	50
31795	2900	45	65824	7320	105	99854	3451	50
32795	3450	50	66826	7105	105	100855	3451	50
33797	3451	50	67826	7320	105	101856	3016	45
34797	3570	50	68828	6815	100	102857	2900	45
35799	3799	55	69828	7020	100	103858	2900	45
36799	3990	55	70829	6757	100	104859	2436	40
37799	4020	55	71830	6438	95	105860	2291	40
38801	4147	60	72830	6630	95	106861	2291	40
39801	4410	60	73832	6409	95	107862	1711	35
40803	4234	60	74832	6270	90	108863	1392	35
41803	4680	65	75834	6032	90	109863	1440	35
42804	4582	65	76834	6240	90	110865	928	30
43805	4582	65	77835	5742	85	111865	540	30
44806	4901	70	78836	5742	85	112866	435	30
45807	4988	70	79837	5713	85	113867	87	25
46808	4959	70	80838	5452	80	114868	0	25
47808	5430	75	81839	5452	80	115868	0	25
48809	5249	75	82839	5610	80			

Plot



Video Presentation

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e57s49ww6dc>

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