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Nomenclature

ADC Analog to Digital Converter
APRS Automatic Packet Reporting System
CAD Computer Aided Design
CNC Computer Numerically Controlled machining
FTU Flight Termination Unit
GFL Gorguze Family Laboratory
GPS Global Position System
HAB High Altitude Balloon
I²C Inter-Integrated Circuit
IMU Inertial Measurement Unit
LNA Low Noise Amplifier
MBuRST Michigan Balloon Recovery and Satellite Testbed
PCB Printed Circuit Board
SOP Standard Operating Procedure
SPI Serial Peripheral Interface
SRB Space Research Building
UART Universal Asynchronous Receive Transmit

1 Introduction

HABs provide a platform to study the atmosphere in-situ. The core purpose of this project was to develop a HAB payload that measures atmospheric pressure, temperature, and humidity. Additionally, the payload included a GPS module, IMU, and two cameras. The payload sensors were mounted on a custom PCB. In order to communicate with the ground, several redundant systems were used, all of which rely on APRS. The Trackuino is an APRS tracker based on the Arduino Uno, and the MicroTrak is a commercial APRS tracker built by Byonics. Two Trackuinos and one MicroTrak were integrated with the payload train in several places. To ensure flight termination, an independent FTU was developed to cut the payload from the balloon, and was designed to activate after the expected balloon burst altitude.

2 Payload Subsystems

2.1 Communications

A single Trackuino, assembled by the team, was built into the payload package. The Trackuino is an open source shield that sits on an Arduino Uno. It records GPS position and transmits on the American APRS frequency of 144.39 MHz once per minute, starting once position lock is acquired. The Trackuino, along with its battery, GPS antenna, and APRS antenna, was built into the payload package.

2.2 Sensors

The payload contained a sensor suite consisting of the following components:

- Texas Instruments HDC1080 Humidity Sensor [4]
- TE Connectivity MS5607-02BA03 Pressure Sensor [6]
- Analog Devices TMP36 Temperature Sensor [7]
- PT103J2 Thermistor
- Invensense MPU9250 IMU [3]

These sensors were chosen for a variety of reasons. The HDC1080 humidity sensor was chosen over the lab HIH4030 because it was designed for a 3.3V power supply, and it had a slightly better precision ($\pm 2\%$ vs $\pm 3.5\%$ RH). It also had a digital I²C interface instead of an analog interface. The MS5607 pressure sensor was chosen over the lab MPX5100 because it was designed for a 3.3V power supply, it had a much better range of data (1.5kPa vs 15kPa for the MPX5100), and it had a digital SPI interface instead of an analog interface. The TMP36 temperature sensor tested in the lab was also used, except a surface



(a) Image of A66 with case and mount.

(b) Image of heating pad.

Figure 1: A66 camera and heating pad (not to scale).

mount version was chosen instead of the provided through-hole version. The lab provided PT103J2 thermistor was also used, except the analog signal was wired through a voltage buffer instead of connecting it directly to the microcontroller. The Invensense MPU9250 IMU was chosen primarily because several team members had experience with it. It is a 9-degree of measurement system compared to the labs 3-degree of freedom accelerometer, and it had a digital SPI interface instead of the lab provided ADXL335 analog interface. All of these sensors were connected to the payload as separate surface mount components, except for the thermistor, which was attached through a wiring harness.

2.3 Cameras

Two Apeman A66 Action Cameras were built into the payload, one facing downwards and one facing to the side. They were installed with cases, for protection against moisture and shock (as shown in Figure 1a), but without the base mount. Both cameras were configured to record 1080p video. The A66 is rated to a minimum temperature of 10°C , significantly higher than the expected low temperature during flight of -40°C . As a result, each camera was wrapped with a 5V DC heating pad (COM-11288 on SparkFun, shown in Figure 1b), powered by the primary payload batteries. These heaters kept the entirety of the payload container warm during tests and flight.

As a result of an oversight in the payload mechanical design, the side camera was oriented in portrait mode. This resulted in a less than convenient video from the flight. Beyond this, there were no adverse effects caused by the design decision.

2.4 GPS & Tracking

The payload box included two GPS modules, one on the payload PCB and one on the Trackuino.

The payload PCB used an Adafruit Ultimate GPS Breakout Board, mounted on the motherboard with headers and a pair of threaded steel fasteners. The Ultimate GPS Breakout is built around the MTK3339, and used the internal patch antenna. Latitude, longitude, and altitude were logged from the Ultimate GPS Breakout.

The Trackuino used a SparkFun Venus GPS board, based on the Venus638FLPx receiver. The receiver was connected to an embedded GPS antenna with an LNA. Once GPS lock was acquired by the Venus, the Trackuino began transmitting its location over APRS once per minute. If lock was lost, the Trackuino continued transmitting its last known position every minute.

2.5 Flight Termination Unit (FTU)

The FTU is responsible for ensuring the payload train is cut from the balloon within a reasonable time frame (2 hours from powering on the FTU, roughly 80 minutes into flight). A nylon rope will connect the payload train to the balloon, and the FTU will be placed at the top of the payload train. The FTU system is comprised of a microcontroller timer (built on an Arduino Nano) and a circuit to run electrical current through a piece of nichrome wire. After the microcontroller timer expires, it will turn on the circuit to run current through the nichrome wire and cut through the rope.

The circuit design for the FTU is shown in the block diagram in Figure 2a, with the fully assembled protoboard shown in Figure 2b. A power resistor is used to limit current through the nichrome wire, and a pulldown resistor is used to ensure that the FTU remains off when the Arduino Nano is not actively driving a signal to the MOSFET gate. The code for the FTU can be found in Appendix D.4. The FTU uses the header file described in Section 5 that describes the flight code and can be found in Appendix D.4.

Within the FTU package, components were primarily restrained using Velcro (protoboard, battery), with secondary retention provided by duct tape (battery). Additional mechanical support was provided by potting components on the protoboard with long leads - the pulldown and power resistors - with hot glue. The FTU package was built out of polystyrene foam, and for safety and environmental concerns, was tested to ensure that it would melt/char from the heat of the nichrome, rather than actively burn.

2.6 Structures

Primary payload structures were machined from polystyrene foam and assembled using hot glue. After assembly, the full box was wrapped with duct tape for protection against

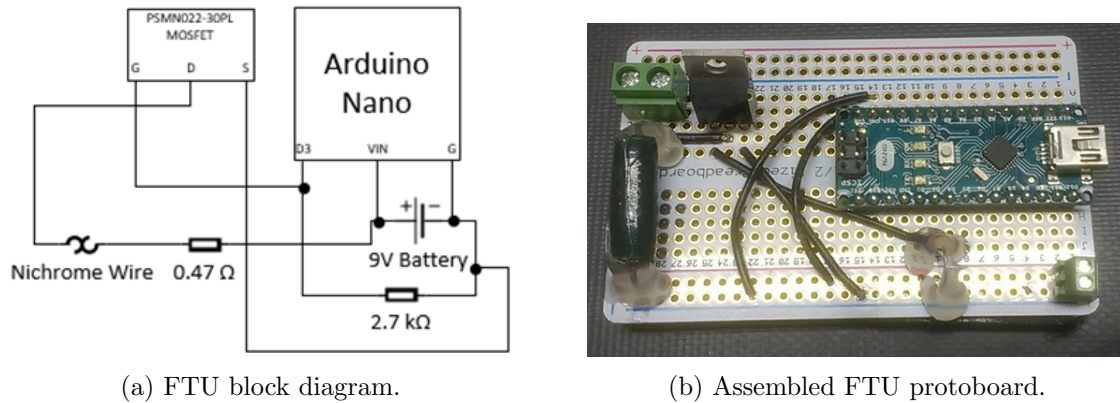


Figure 2: FTU circuit.

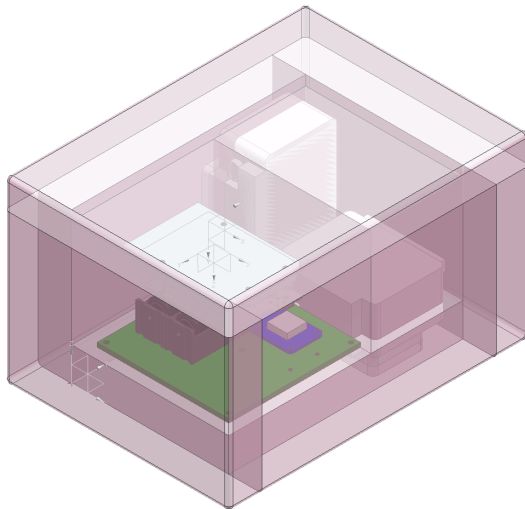
chipping and moisture. An image of the assembled payload, modeled in Siemens NX 11, is shown in Figure 3a. Figures 3b, 3c, and 3d show major components that were also modeled in NX. These models were used to determine the box dimensions required to house all components and to assemble the major components within the box.

Initial designs called for the Trackuino and payload PCB to be restrained by threaded fasteners screwed into nuts or inserts glued to the box. However, the foam material for the box was unable to support this technique. A new design was revised to use Velcro to fasten the Trackuino and PCB to the box.

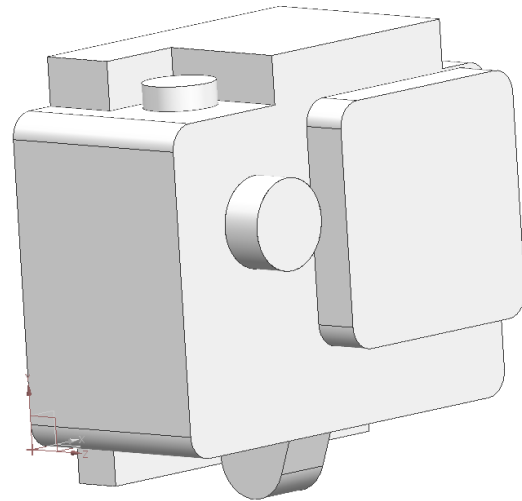
The cameras were held in place by fitted pockets that were machined out using a router. A fitted foam support would constrain the cameras (also machined using a router), and was in turn held in by the box lid. The camera support was also used to mount the GPS antenna and Trackuino battery. The GPS antenna was placed in a slot on top of the support (facing the sky for optimal reception), and the battery was placed in a slot in the middle of the support. Both locations were selected to optimize wire routing.

The thermistor and payload power switch were placed in holes in the walls of the package and hot glued in. The key difficulty with the thermistor was the risk of shorting the leads - this was addressed by insulating/hot gluing them prior to installation. The APRS antenna was installed in a hole through the bottom of the payload, oriented vertically to maximize the lateral range. It was taped to the box on the outside to prevent it from stressing the coaxial cable.

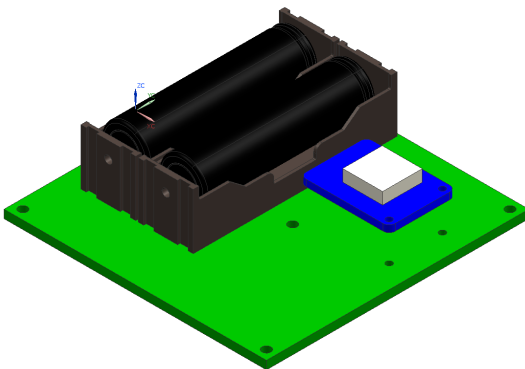
Box manufacturing was facilitated with the use of a Practical CNC router owned by the Department of Aerospace Engineering, located in the GFL. G-code was generated using CATIA v5r26, and modified by hand for use with the BobCAD-Computer Aided Manufacturing (BobCAD-CAM) software paired with the router. Sample toolpaths are shown in Figure 4, and consist of a roughing pass, followed by one or two Z-level or sweeping passes, depending on the needs of the part. All machining was completed with



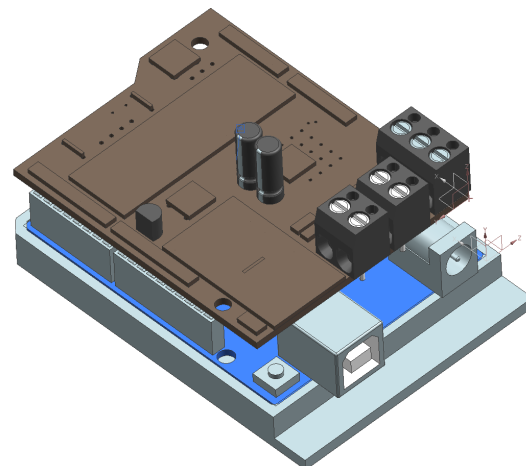
(a) Payload box.



(b) Apeman A66 action camera.



(c) Custom payload PCB.



(d) Trackuino shield on Arduino Uno.

Figure 3: Major components modeled in NX.

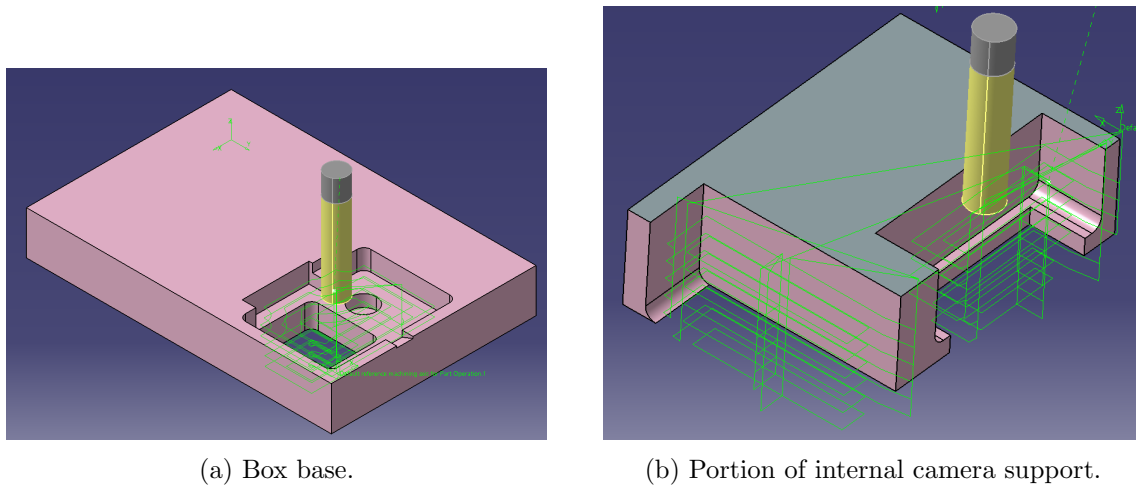


Figure 4: Sample toolpaths produced in CATIA.

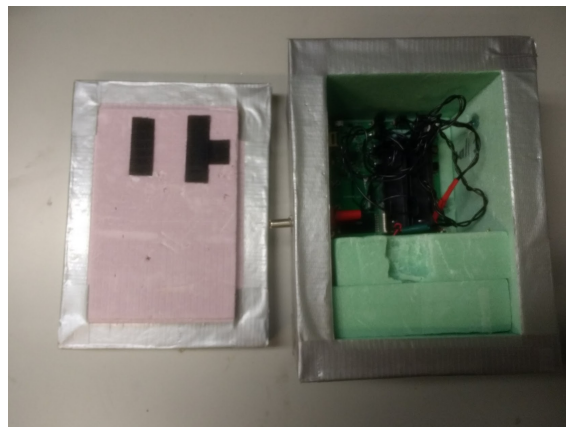


Figure 5: Inside of the payload box

a 0.5" ball nose end mill. Several test pieces were machined first to verify camera fit, and revisions were made to the camera CAD model based on the tests.

After machining, the individual parts were cut to size using a hot wire cutter, and assembled with hot glue. Final fit checks were conducted, and additional holes/adjustments were made by removing foam by hand with a screwdriver. The outsides of the box and lid were then covered in two layers of duct tape for additional protection.

The inside of the completed box is shown in Figure 5. This shows the foam frame, and the printed circuit board inside of the box. The thicker foam section at the bottom of the picture is the camera housing. Figure 6 shows the outside of the fully assembled box.



Figure 6: The fully assembled payload box

3 Mass & Power Budgets

3.1 Mass Budget

| Group | Item | Mass [g] | Mass [lbm] | Technique |
|----------------|------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| Payload | Board (with batteries) | 165 | 0.364 | Measured |
| | Camera (x2) | 260 | 0.573 | Measured |
| Power | Trackuino Battery | 92 | 0.203 | Measured |
| Structures | Box+Switch+Thermistor | 209 | 0.461 | Measured |
| | Lid | 64 | 0.141 | Measured |
| | Internal support | 12 | 0.026 | Measured |
| Communications | Trackuino | 77 | 0.170 | Measured |
| | Whip antenna | 48 | 0.106 | Measured |
| | GPS antenna | 18 | 0.040 | Measured |
| Misc | Heater (x2) | 16 | 0.035 | Measured |
| | Wiring/harnesses | 50 | 0.110 | Estimated |
| | Velcro | 150 | 0.331 | Estimated |
| | TOTAL | 1161 | 2.560 | Calculated |
| | TRUE TOTAL | 1010 | 2.227 | Measured |

Table 1: Payload mass budget.

| System | Total Mass [lbm] | Source |
|-----------------------|------------------|---------------|
| FTU | 0.41 | Measured |
| Parachute | 0.43 | Measured |
| Radar Reflector | 0.48 | Measured |
| MicroTrak | 1.28 | Measured |
| MBuRST Trackuino | 0.7 | Estimated |
| Balloon | 2.23 | Measured |
| Lines/Clips | 0.81 | Measured |
| Team Too Payload | 2.23 | Measured |
| ENGR 100 Payload (x3) | 3.00 | Estimated Max |
| TOTAL | 11.57 | Calculated |

Table 2: Balloon/train mass budget.

3.2 Power Budget

This section will show the process used to determine the power budget of the payload. Battery capacities were determined empirically based on the endurance test. Rough calculations were made to estimate the power draw of components on the payload board to ensure that data could be logged through the entire flight.

The dominating power draw of the board is the heaters at approximately 4 Watts. The remainder of the PCB components were measured to draw a maximum of 0.5 Watts for a total power draw of 4.5 Watts. The payload used two 16850 Lithium-Ion cells wired in series each with a rated capacity of 3.3 Amp-hours for a total capacity of 24.2 Watt-hours. Using this figure, the batteries were calculated to theoretically last for 5.4 hours. To account for the effect of low temperature at high altitude, this value was de-rated by 20% to achieve an estimated 4.3 hours of usable battery life, which was deemed sufficient for flight.

This power budget was tested during the endurance test, with the PCB successfully recording data for all 4 hours.

4 Printed Circuit Board Design

This section describes the PCB developed for logging sensor data. The PCB was designed using the free open source tool KiCad. KiCAD was selected because it does not require a license, so all group members could download the program and collaborate if necessary. Additionally, several group members already had experience with the program.

The PCB schematic is split into several sub-circuit sections which are shown in Figure 32 in Appendix B.1. The primary subsections are the microcontroller (ATSAMD21), barometer (MS5607), IMU (MPU9250), SD Card, humidity sensor (HDC1080), and temperature sensor (TMP36). The main design approach for each sub-circuit was to find an application note for the component (usually provided in the component datasheet) and then design the circuit around that recommendation. This strategy was used to design a schematic for each sensor. The completed system schematic is shown in Figure 33 in Appendix B.2.

Similar to the schematic, the physical PCB layout is also roughly divided into the previously mentioned sub-circuits. Each component within a sub-section was placed near each other and then all of these sub-sections were connected together. The result of this process is shown in Figure 34 in Appendix B.3 and Figure 35 in Appendix B.4. These figures show the copper layers, which connect the components together.

The PCB was ordered from a Chinese company, AllPCB. AllPCB has very low prices (\$50 cheaper compared to OshPark) and quick manufacture times. The boards were received the week of February 18th and assembled through spring brake. The board used mostly surface mount components, so assembly was done using a lead paste and hot air station. During this period initial debugging was conducted and several minor mistakes were identified. These mistakes were fixed or "bodged" and the PCB moved to the software development phase.

The fully fabricated and assembled printed circuit board can be see below in Figure 7. It shows all of the surface mount components, including the sensors, the microcontroller, and the SD card in the top left corner. The heater power circuits, including the transistors

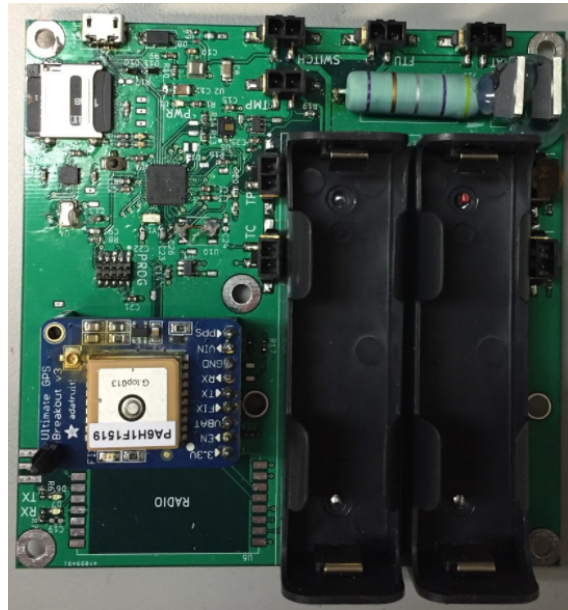


Figure 7: Assembled Payload PCB

and connectors, are shown in the top right corner. The battery connectors are shown in the bottom right corner. The GPS and the unused radio slot are shown in the bottom left corner.

5 Flight Code

The purpose of this section is to describe the structure and function of the flight code used for the payload. The flight software in the payload was written in the Arduino environment, which uses a combination of the C and C++ programming languages. The target device the software was compiled for was the payload microcontroller, an Atmel SAMD21 ARM system. The first point of note is Figure 36 in Appendix D.1, which is a software flow diagram for the flight code. It visually describes the flow of the code through the initialization process, and the main program loop that controls repeating actions. The actual code is presented in Appendix D.2, with the header file in Appendix D.3.

The flight code, running on the microcontroller, interfaces with all of the sensors and the SD card. It periodically collects data, processes it, and then writes it to the SD card so that it can be accessed later.

Some of the sensor code was written with assistance from external libraries. These included code for the humidity sensor [5], code for the IMU [2] and code for the GPS [8]. The barometer code was derived from the specification sheet [6], as was the code for the temperature sensors.

On power-up, the microcontroller runs through an initialization routine. Most of the critical microcontroller functions, like timers, clocks, and interrupts, are initialized behind the scenes in the Arduino framework. After this initialization has completed, the sensor connections are initialized. Several digital sensors were used, so several different microcontroller communication peripherals must be initialized. This includes a SPI port connection, an I²C port connection, and a UART connection. The ADC is also initialized for the thermistor and battery voltage level, and it is set to a 12-bit resolution.

Each digital sensor has a specialized initialization routine, which is defined by the documentation for the sensor, or sample code found for the sensor. The SD card logging file is also accessed to create a designation that a new set of logging data is being written for the current power cycle.

The program then enters the "loop" phase, where it will repeat the same tasks until it is powered off. The program attempts to execute the following tasks, listed in order of descending priority. If 10ms have passed since the last IMU sampling, it will attempt to collect a data sample from the IMU over SPI. It will log this result and the current time to a IMU data buffer. If 200 ms have passed since the last other sensor sampling, it will attempt to collect data samples from all of the other sensors. This includes reading from the humidity sensor over I²C, reading from the barometer over SPI, and reading the battery voltage and two temperature values through the ADC. Each of these values is put in its own dedicated buffer. After these sensors have been sampled, the program will attempt to read any available data from the GPS. The program will then toggle the heaters if it is time for them to toggle. The heater pattern is heater 1 on for 15 seconds, both off for 15 seconds, heater 2 on for 15 seconds, both off for 15 seconds. If a complete set of GPS data is found, it will be processed and the useful information will be stored.

Once all of the buffers are full and a GPS sample has been collected, the data is ready to be sent to the SD card. The program runs a moving average filter on the barometer, humidity, battery, and temperature data, and logs the IMU data as normal. The data is accumulated into a C struct, typecast into a buffer of bytes, and then written to the SD card as an array of bytes. This method of writing is significantly faster than storing numbers as ASCII data, though it is much more difficult to parse it out later on the ground. All of the buffers are then cleared. After all of the previous loop steps have been checked or executed, the loop returns to the top.

On the ground, post flight, the binary data format written to the SD card is extracted and converted to a CSV file that can be processed and plotted in MATLAB.

Also of note, our team used the University of Michigan EECS [GitLab server](#) for code sharing and revision control. This was a valuable tool to handle a significant quantity of flight code, processing code, and lab code.

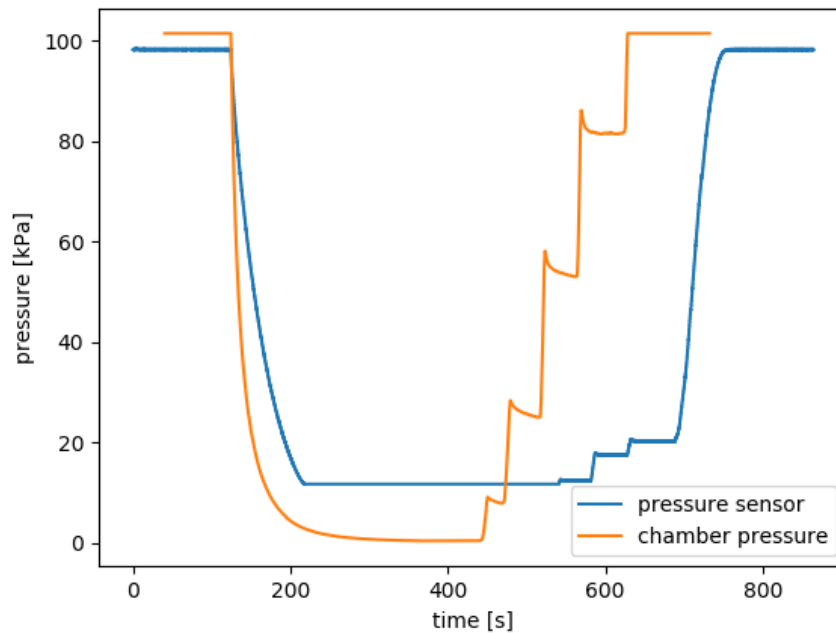


Figure 8: Barometer calibration data.

6 Testing and Verification

6.1 Calibration Tests

Calibration curves for the majority of the sensors were pulled from their respective specification sheets. In order to verify the curves, the sensors were tested in various conditions and the results were compared to known values.

For the two temperature sensors and the humidity sensor, measurements were taken at different conditions and the results were compared to a portable weather station.

To test the pressure sensor, it was placed inside a vacuum chamber which was pumped down below the sensor's minimum pressure rating. The chamber was then pumped up slowly, giving the sensor time to respond. The pressure sensor initially provided in the class bottomed out at 15 kPa, explaining the plateau at the base of the plot, shown in Figure 8. It is also clear that there is a significant lag between the true pressure and the measured pressure. The results of this initial calibration were the primary reason for selection of a different barometer for the payload board.

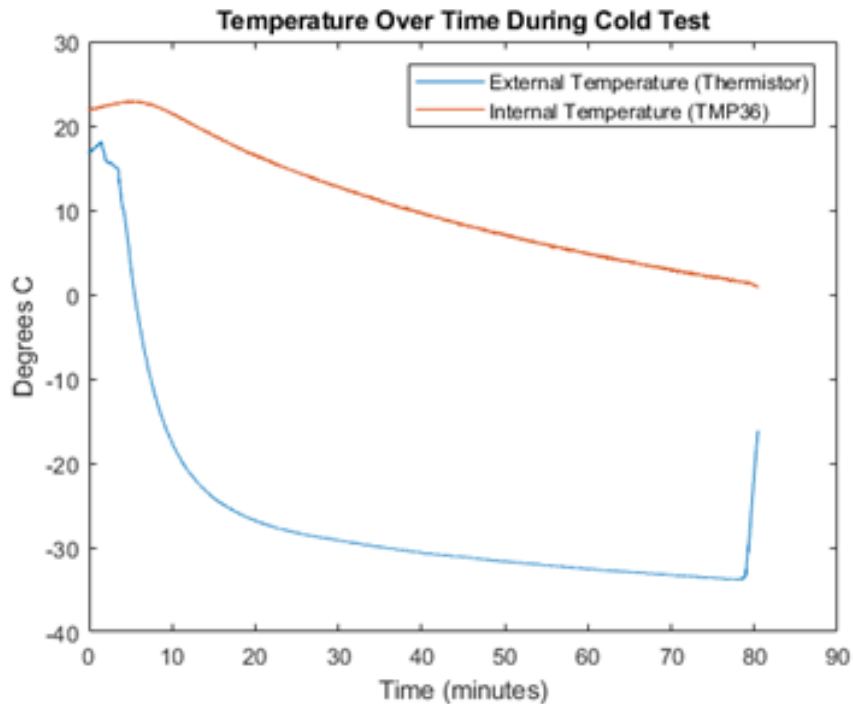


Figure 9: Internal and external temperature during cold test.

6.2 Thermal Test

Thermal testing was required to verify the payload's performance down to -40°C , the lowest expected flight temperature. The payload was fully assembled and placed in a cooler with dry ice for one hour. Data was recorded throughout the course of the test and examined to verify nominal performance. The most important of this data is the temperature data, shown in Figure 9. The external temperature rapidly drops due to the dry ice, while the internal temperature drop is well buffered by the heaters.

All components of the payload were fully operational for the entirety of the cold test.

6.3 Shock Test

Shock testing was used to verify that the payload could survive aerodynamic buffeting in flight and impact with the ground upon landing. Two methods of shock testing were used. First, the payload was thrown directly upwards, simulating a single large shock. Second, the payload was thrown forward with nonzero angular velocity, simulating buffeting from the jetstream.

Several components failed during the shock test. All were repaired and strengthened to

ensure that they could withstand flight.

- The GPS unit on the payload board was originally supported by nylon standoffs. Both standoffs sheared during the shock tests. They were replaced by threaded steel fasteners and nuts.
- The batteries on the payload board fell out of their holders. The assembly SOP was updated to include zip-tying the batteries to the holders.
- The Trackuino/APRS antenna coaxial cable sheared at the connector. The cable was replaced and strain relieved. The antenna was also secured to the box to prevent it from mechanically loading the cable.
- Two body ground solder joints on the Trackuino radio module broke. They were re-soldered, and the radio module was hot glued to the Trackuino shield.
- The Arduino Uno fell out of its plastic holder. Threaded steel fasteners were added to hold them together.

6.4 Endurance Test

The payload was fully assembled, and all components were powered on and left to collect data for four consecutive hours. This test is based on the expected deployment time of the payload of two hours (half an hour for preflight operations, and up to ninety minutes for the flight), with a safety factor of two. The primary driver for the test is operation of the Trackuino up until recovery. All payload systems, including sensors and heaters, operated for the full duration of the test. One camera operated for about three hours, and the other camera lasted 76 minutes. Both of these cameras satisfy the minimum requirement of one hour, but only one was expected to last the full flight.

6.5 FTU Test

An FTU test was performed to confirm that it behaved as expected. The FTU box was completely assembled, including the rope to cut, and that rope was clamped off the ground. A timer was started to confirm that the FTU would activate two hours from powering on. The FTU cut the rope at exactly two hours, as expected. A new timer was started to confirm that the FTU would deactivate and cease powering the nichrome wire. After exactly two minutes, the nichrome wire powered off. This successfully mitigates the risk of causing fire or heat related damage if the FTU powers on from the ground. The team also performed a quick test to confirm that the foam used for the FTU box would melt when exposed to the heat of the nichrome instead of burning.

6.6 Ground Station

Significant debugging was required to ensure reliable operation of the ground station. It failed to receive APRS packets from the Trackuinos and MicroTrak for two tests, after which several team members worked to debug it by reading through the radio manual and online documentation for the software used on the ground station. Several problems were identified and corrected:

- The DIN 8 to DB9 cable was faulty and needed to be replaced.
- The DIN 8 side of the cable was plugged into the wrong port in the radio.
- The radio was not configured to transmit to the PC in KISS (Keep It Simple, Stupid) mode.

After these issues were fixed, the ground station was successfully used for the car chase. The knowledge gained from this process was also used to repair the MBuRST ground station on launch day.

6.7 Car Chase

The car chase was successfully completed on March 31, 2018, after two previous failed attempts. Packets received by the ground station during the test are shown in Figure 10. The test started at the SRB parking lot, went around the North Campus Diag, and returned to the SRB parking lot. The numerous points in the parking lot are a result of pretest debugging. Over the course of the test, no packets were dropped, and the chase car occasionally was able to move within line of sight of the tracked car.

7 Launch

7.1 Pre-Launch Operations

The week prior to launch, Go/No-Go slides were created outlining the readiness of the team. These slides included the status of all required tests, the current state of the payload, balloon flight predictions, a mass budget and schedule for the flight day. They were presented at a Go/No-Go meeting two days before flight, along with the the packing checklist and assembly SOP. The day before flight, all items were packed per the checklist. This checklist can be found as part of the Payload Assembly SOP in Appendix C.

Several launch simulations were also conducted, with Athens, MI being selected as the launch site. This resulted in an expected landing location northeast of Britton, MI, as shown in Figure 11. As the bird flies, this is a distance of 76 miles.

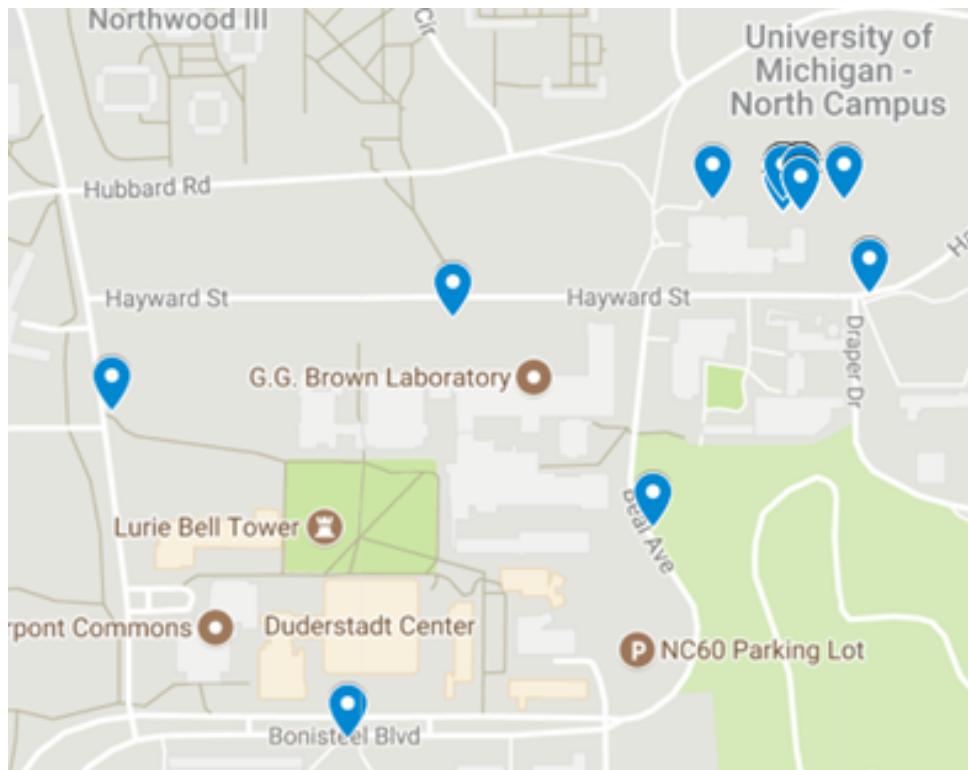


Figure 10: Trackuino packets received by ground station during car chase.

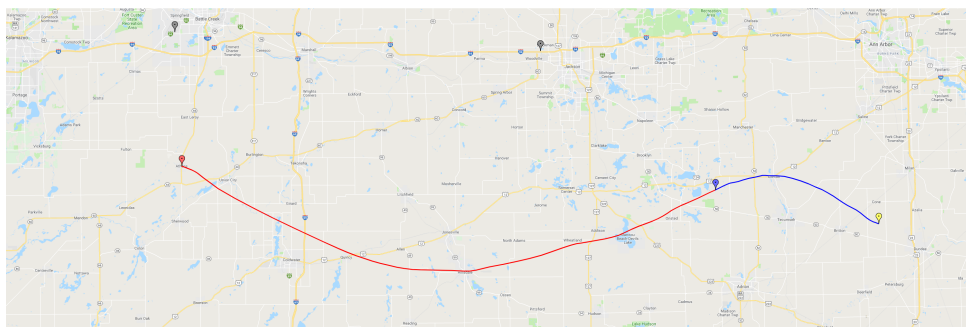


Figure 11: Predicted balloon path from a simulation conducted the night before launch.

7.2 Launch Day

On launch day, teams met an hour and a half before departure to pack up trailer with general launch supplies. These supplies included helium tanks, pressure regulators, balloons, a housing to hold the balloon during filling and various tools. Packing took a total of half an hour, upon which teams awaited the arrival of ENGR 100 students. Once all personnel were present and placed into cars, they began the drive to the launch site at Athens High School in Athens, MI.

Teams arrived at Athens High School at approximately 3 PM and began unpacking payload train supplies, such as the paracord and Velcro needed to build up the payload train. In parallel, assembly began of a balloon housing used to contain the balloon during the fill procedure. The housing was necessary because of high winds on launch day. Next, both teams began organizing the ENGR 100 payloads which had been assigned to respective payload trains. Each payload was secured using an orthogonal wrapping of para-cord. The paracord was tied using a standard "double" and "double figure 8 loop" knots with the ends taped to prevent untying. Once the ENGR 100 payloads were secured, tracker payloads were added to the train, including a proprietary MbuRST tracker and MbuRST built Trackuino and MicroTrak. These payloads were secured using a double wrapping of Velcro. At this time balloon fill started and teams began payload assembly. Assembly of the Team Too payload was time sensitive due to the limited battery life of the cameras. Payload train 1 was ready first, and was launched on the first balloon. Once the second payload was complete, and all items on the SOP were checked off, it was integrated into payload train 2 using Velcro and paracord. Finally, the radar reflector, parachute, and FTU were all attached to the payload. A safety line was run from the parachute to the bottom of the payload train in case of a break in the main line. The payload train was completed as the second balloon finished filling, and was launched approximately a half hour after the first balloon.

Once both balloons were launched, the chase began. Team Too had one of the ground stations, which relayed APRS info to aprs.fi. Consistent radio contact with payload train two was maintained for a majority of the chase. Due to the very strong winds, the balloon maintained a lead on the chase team for the entire flight and reached speeds upwards of 100 mph. Payload train 1 was recovered first at around 5:44 PM. Payload train 2 was recovered shortly after at 6:06 PM.

Once the balloons were recovered, everyone returned to the SRB and unpacked the components. MbuRST's three trackers and all of the ENGR 100 payloads were also returned.

8 Data Collected

The payload successfully collected data during the flight. The data was collected from aprs.fi and the SD card and post-processed, and will be shown below. Section 8.1 shows

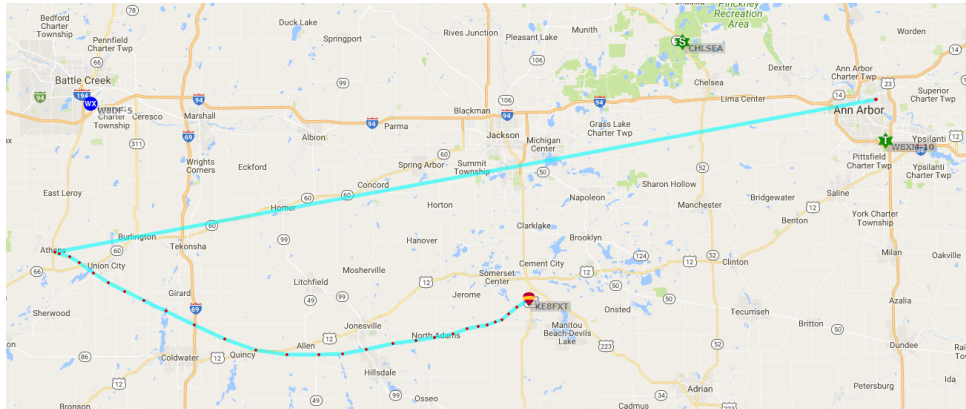


Figure 12: MicroTrak transmissions to APRS during flight.

the path taken by the balloon throughout the flight. Section 8.2 will discuss the data that follows. The plots of the collected data are shown in Appendix A, Figure 16 to Figure 27, because of the quantity of space they occupy. This includes collected temperature data, humidity data, battery voltage data, barometer data, and estimated altitude data. It will also show the data collected from the IMU, and an estimate of Euler angles from the IMU. The data from the GPS is shown in Appendix A as well, though it is mostly not useful. It will also show a set of pictures collected from the cameras in the payload.

8.1 Flight Path

Figures 12, 13, and 14 show APRS tracks from aprs.fi from the trackers onboard the balloon. Several features in these tracks are noteworthy:

- The MicroTrak antenna (Figure 12) was lost partway during the flight, explaining the lack of packets partway through the flight.
- The payload Trackuino (Figure 14) did not acquire GPS lock until roughly ten minutes into the flight. However, that GPS lock was shaky - it is offset from the MBuRST Trackuino (Figure 13). Proper lock was acquired about ten minutes before landing.
- The simulated balloon track was quite similar to the predicted track in Figure 11. The predicted landing spot was northeast of Britton, near the intersection of Day Rd and Far Rd. The actual landing site was southwest of Britton, off Samantha Dr (near Sutton Rd). The straight line distance between the actual and predicted landing locations was about 9 miles.

A three dimensional image of the flight path was also generated in Google Earth using data from the MBuRST and payload Trackuinos, shown in Figure 15. This image clearly shows where the balloon entered the jetstream (much wider spacing between APRS transmissions,

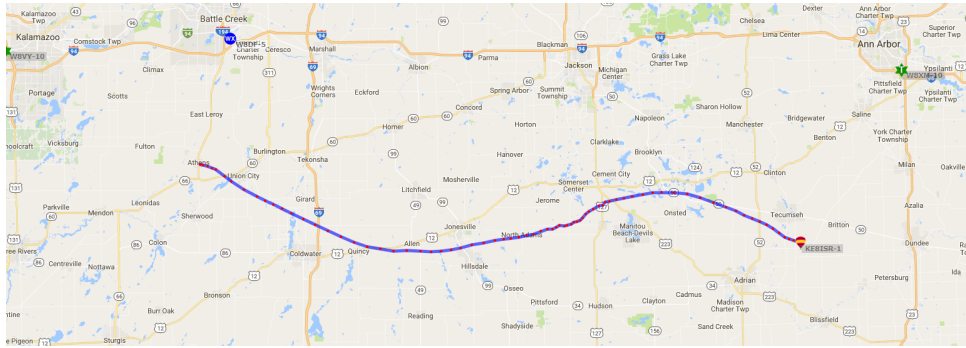


Figure 13: MbuRST Trackuino transmissions to APRS during flight.

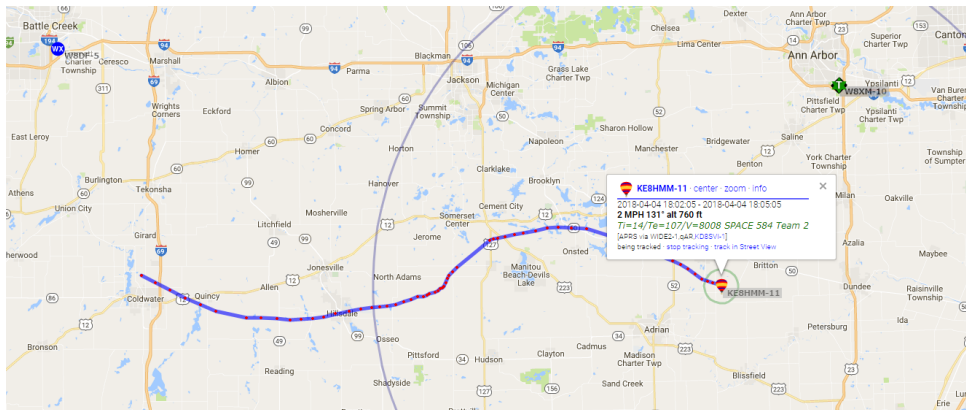


Figure 14: Team Too Trackuino transmissions to APRS during flight.

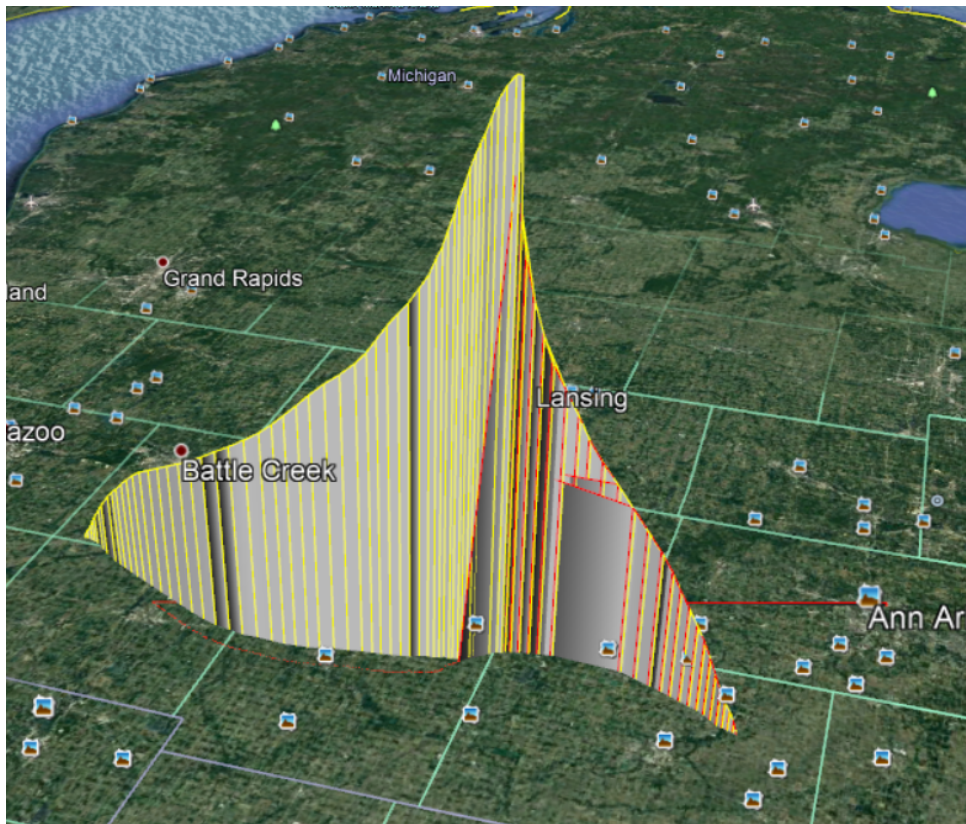


Figure 15: Flight track overlaid on Google Earth. MBoRST Trackuino is in yellow, and Team Too Trackuino is in red.

suggesting a high speed), and the location of balloon burst. In addition, it also shows the differences between the two Trackuinos' GPS locations up until the final descent, when they start to coincide.

8.2 Data Analysis

This section will provide an overview of the interpretation of each set of collected data. The plots below highlight the data in each stage of flight, including the ascent phase, the descent phase, and the landed phase. The transition from ascent to descent phase was determined as the point of absolute minimum pressure. The transition of descent to landed was determined from a break in data logging when the payload lost power for roughly three seconds as it rolled on the ground.

Figure 16 describes the internal and external temperatures logged during the flight through the various stages of the flight. The internal temperature behaves as expected, where it stays roughly constant during the ascent, drops during the descent, and then rises back

up after landing. The external temperature drops rapidly during ascent, also drops during descent, and then rises back to the ambient starting temperature. There is an unexpected event where the external temperature rises during the second half of the ascent phase. It is believed that this happens as the self-heating effect from powering the thermistor to generate a voltage begins to dominate the effect of the cooler air as the air density drops, decreasing the heat that can be carried away by convection. Convection also explains the temperature drop during descent: a large airspeed in cool air results in a relatively large amount of heat being carried away from the payload.

Figure 17 describes the drop of the payload battery voltage over time. It is mostly not noteworthy, beyond the observation that the the timing of the heaters can be seen in the voltage dropout from the increased current draw.

Figure 18 describes the collected humidity data. It shows that the humidity drops to zero during ascent, stays at zero for most of the flight, rises quickly during descent as condensation forms, and then drops back down to the starting ground humidity.

Figure 19 shows the pressure during the flight. It shows as expected that the pressure drops during the ascent phase, has a minimum of roughly 18 mbar, and then increases faster back to the starting value during the descent phase. The pressure data has several artifacts in it, which are believed to be a result of the algorithm provided in the sensor documentation. There are many places in the algorithm where a small rounding or typecasting error could compound into a much more significant error.

Figure 20 shows the estimated and measured altitudes during the flight from GPS data and derived barometer data. The barometer data agrees with APRS logs, which showed an apogee of nearly 90 000 ft. The altitude from the barometer is generated using barometric formulas from the US Standard Atmosphere (1976). As can be seen, the altitude from the GPS seems to be mostly inaccurate.

Figure 21 shows the measured acceleration over time on 3-axes. The plots highlight 0 g, -1 g, and 1 g, which are useful resting accelerometer values. The plot shows several interesting events. The first is around 40 minutes into the ascent, where the winds pick up and cause significantly oscillation. This lasts for nearly 5 minutes, and then it calms significantly. This is presumably when the balloon enters the jet stream. Soon after, the values of the accelerations seem to imply that the payload train is nearly sideways, which the video seems to corroborate. The next is at roughly 53 minutes at the point of balloon burst. Following the more relatively calm point just discussed, it then enters a much more aggressive acceleration pattern. Next, the point of descent at around 80 minutes, roughly 3 seconds of data was lost on landing. This unfortunately included the most interesting data at this stage, the accelerations on the actual ground collision. Finally, it is evident that the balloon was found at 105 minutes when a new acceleration event begins.

Figure 22 shows the measured 3-axis angular velocity over time of the payload. It generates nearly the same conclusions as those discussed in the previous section. One portion of extra note is at roughly 45 minutes when the x-axis shows a near constant value for a few

minutes, nearly at the same time as the acceleration looks rotated. It does make sense that for there to be a constantly different acceleration, it would have to be induced by some kind of constant rotation from the wind.

Figure 23 shows the measured magnetometer data. This data is mostly useless visually, but can be used in attitude determination algorithms.

Figure 24 shows Euler angles generated from a a Mahony filter, a commonly implemented attitude determination algorithm (code in [1]). Unfortunately, from looking through the data and from collective team experience with this particular type of attitude determination, the sampled data appears to be too noisy to get a good result from the algorithm. From observing the recorded video, the motion also appears to be too fast and oscillatory to get a reasonable result using this type of algorithm without better inertial sensors and a better sensor configuration.

Figure 25 shows the number of available GPS satellites during the flight. Given what seems to be a constant gain and loss of satellites, it seems to make sense that the GPS data is mostly useless.

Figure 26 shows the GPS velocity recording. Most of the data appears to be lost or incorrect. Figure 27 shows the GPS course heading, which gives the same conclusion.

Data was also collected from both of the cameras. Several pictures from the cameras are included in Appendix A. The downward facing camera collected video for the entire flight. The side facing camera only collected data for a part of ascent as the battery died about ten minutes from lift-off (most of the power was expended waiting to launch). Figure 28 shows the side facing camera about 5 minutes from leaving the ground. It is just about to enter the clouds, and snow flakes can be seen in the image. Figure 29 is a second picture from the side facing camera, just before it died about ten minutes into the flight, showing it above the clouds. Figure 30 is an image from the downward facing camera about forty five minutes into flight, near the balloon burst. It shows that the payload train was nearly sideways at this point in the flight. Figure 31 shows an image from the downward facing camera about an hour and twenty minutes into the flight, just before landing. The videos of the flight can be viewed from Google Drive. The downward facing video can be found [here](#), and the side facing video can be found [here](#).

9 Issues Encountered

Various problems were encountered throughout the course of the project. Each issue was addressed and resolved in a timely fashion to ensure a successful launch.

9.1 Communications

There was difficulty with the ground station during the initial attempts to conduct a car chase. Team Too members were able to successfully troubleshoot the ground station and get it working for a second attempt. Further discussion of the solutions that were implemented is provided above in section 6.6.

9.2 PCB

There were three major issues with the PCB, which are described below.

The most critical mistake was with the barometer's communication protocol. The intention was to communicate with the barometer over SPI, however, the barometer pin which controls communication protocol configuration was set to the wrong voltage which put the barometer into I²C mode. To fix this mistake, the barometer was lifted off the PCB and connected a thin wire underneath the chip to the correct voltage. The chip was then hot glued to the PCB for structural support.

The next mistake was an issue with the battery connection. It was unclear in the documentation which parts of the battery connector were attached to the battery terminals, and which were for mounting. They were swapped incorrectly in the design, and had to be corrected with external wires.

The other major mistake regarding the PCB was the FTU circuit. The FTU circuit was initially built into the payload PCB, however, it was later realized that the FTU needed to be in its own package. To fix this, an independent FTU was implemented, but the board was still left with wasted weight and board space. This mistake did clear up a critical misunderstanding of the payload train, which was important for subsequent labs and launch. Eventually, this turned out to be a positive, as the second heater was able to use the FTU connector for power.

9.3 Launch

The major issue during launch was with ground station logistics. During the first launch date, there were two ground stations, one with the MBuRST team and one with Team Too. Once the first balloon was launched, one of the ground stations was asked to begin pursuit, however, both ground stations needed to stay for the launch of the second balloon. MBuRST was using a proprietary tracker, which could only track their payload on the second balloon, while Team Too needed to stay with the second payload train until launch. As a result, neither ground station left with the first balloon. To fix this in the future, ground station logistics and chase car assignments need to be determined prior to balloon launch.

10 Conclusion

In conclusion, the team was able to successfully design, build, and fly a custom payload on a high altitude balloon. A printed circuit board was designed and integrated into a custom box, subjected to thermal and mechanical shock tests, and was successfully flown and recovered. The payload successfully recorded inertial, pressure, GPS, humidity, and temperature data for the duration of the flight. All trackers worked well after initial troubleshooting and every payload on the train was recovered. Overall, the team learned a great deal from this project and had fun doing so.

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A Data Collected

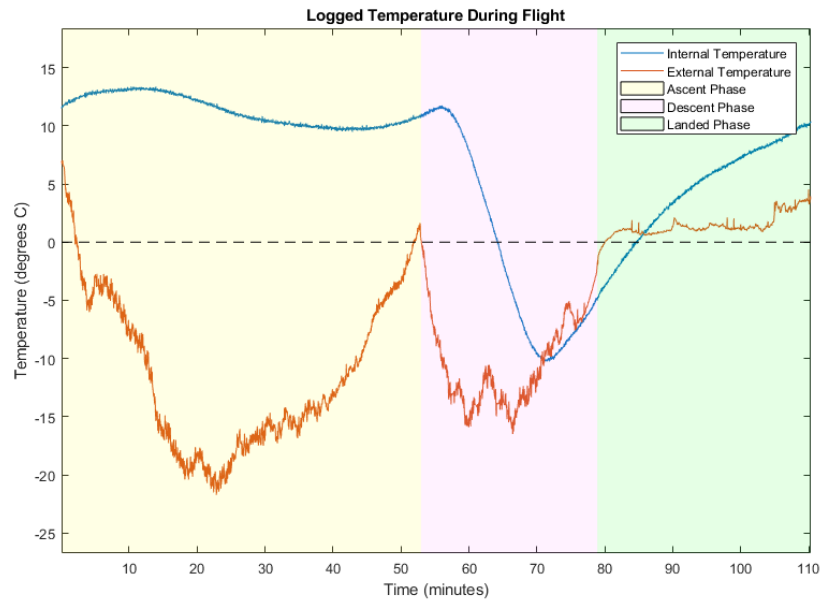


Figure 16: Temperature during flight

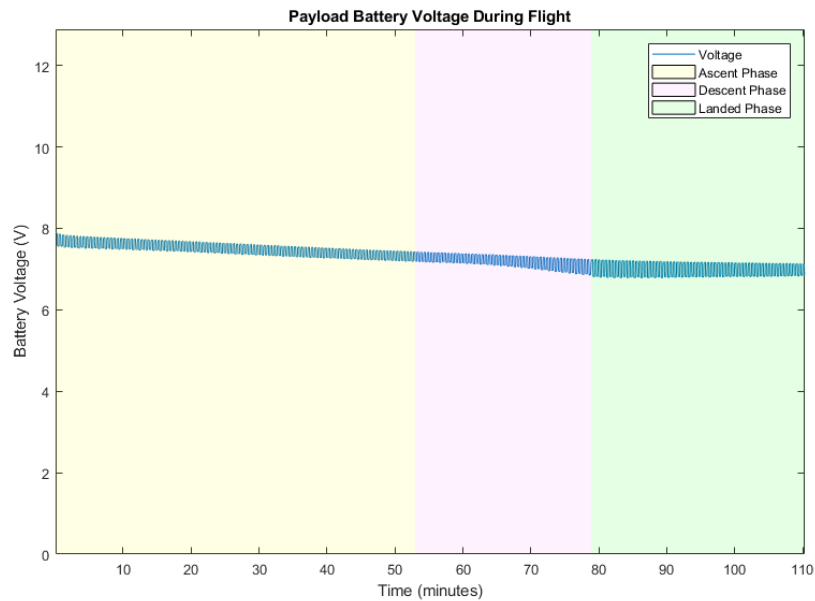


Figure 17: Battery during flight

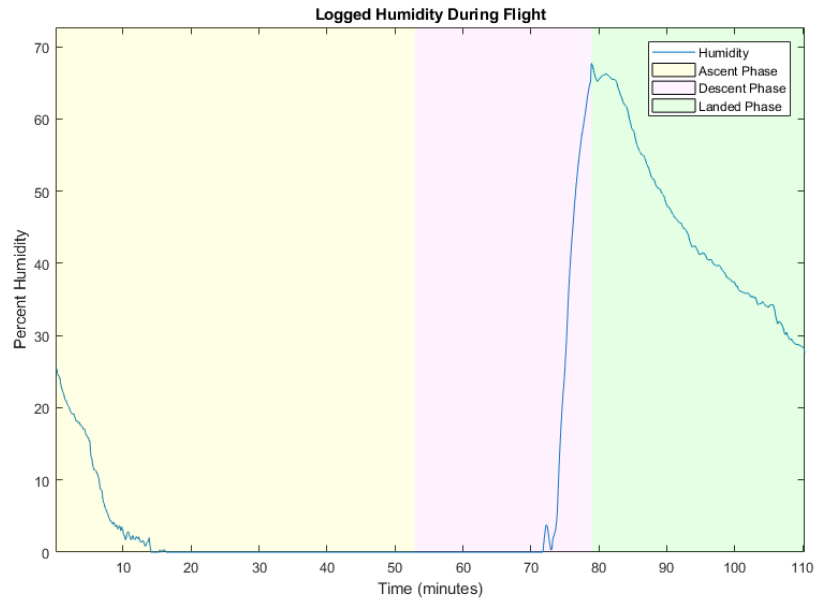


Figure 18: Humidity during flight

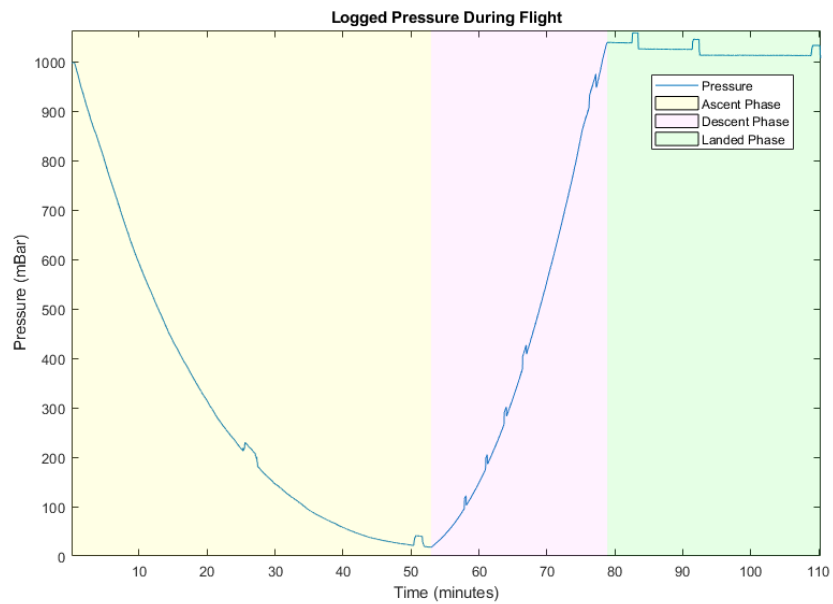


Figure 19: Pressure during flight

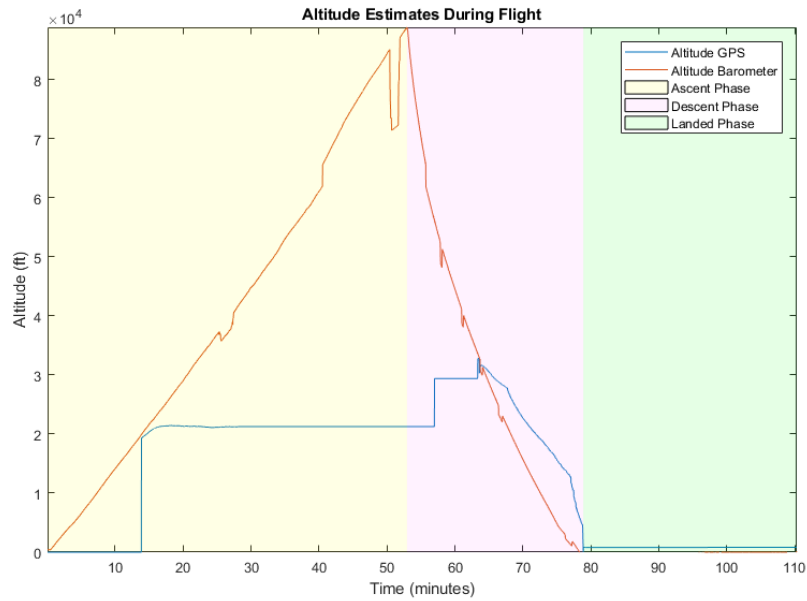


Figure 20: Altitude during flight

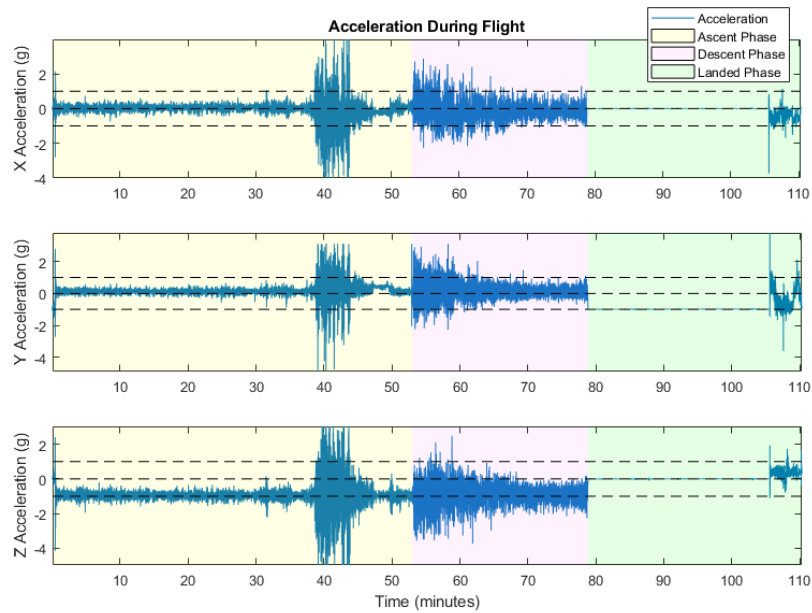


Figure 21: Acceleration during flight

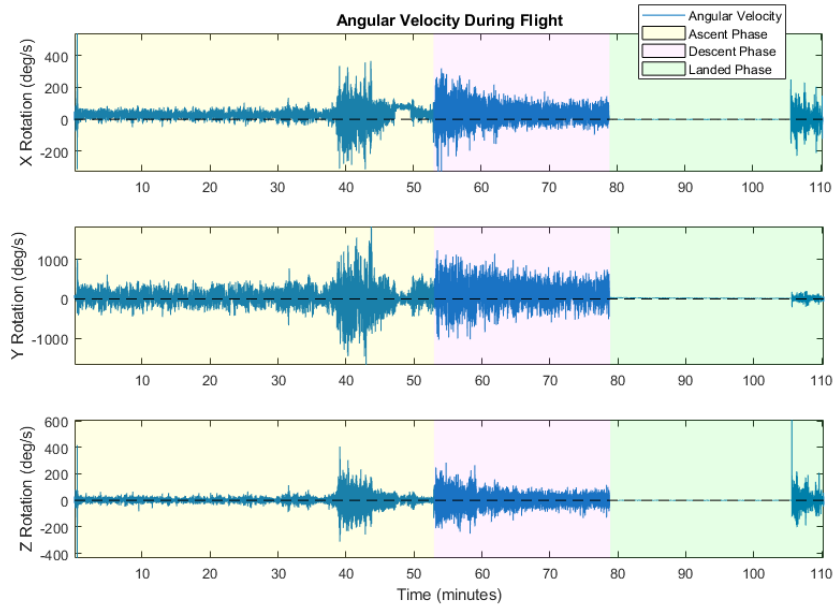


Figure 22: Gyroscope during flight

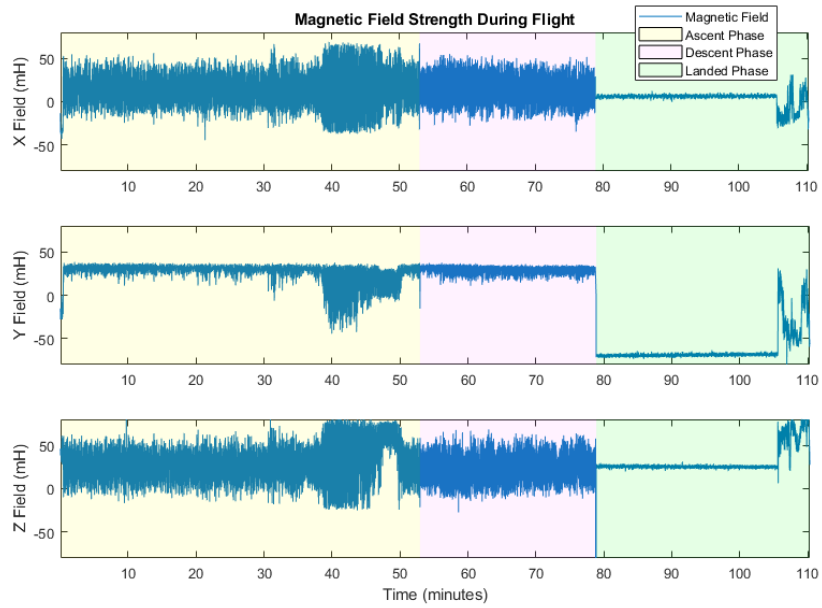


Figure 23: Magnetometer during flight

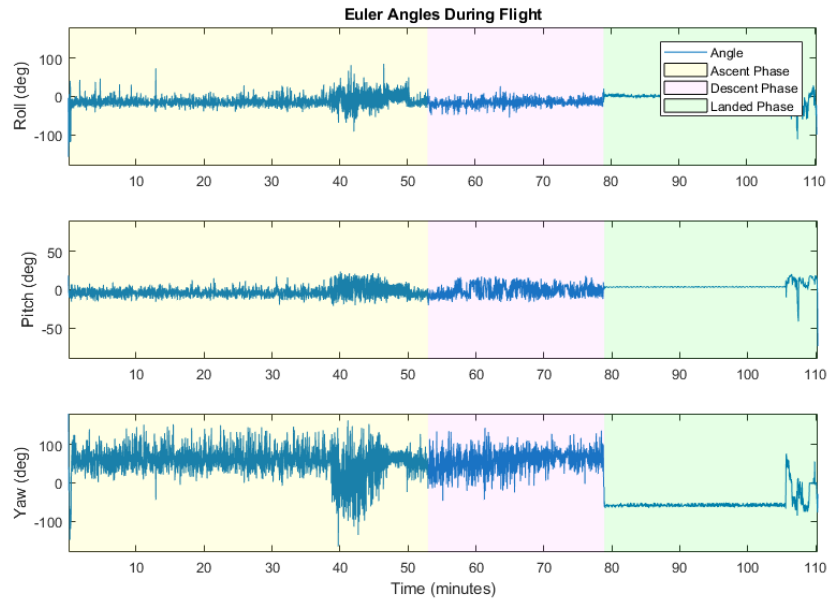


Figure 24: Euler angles during flight

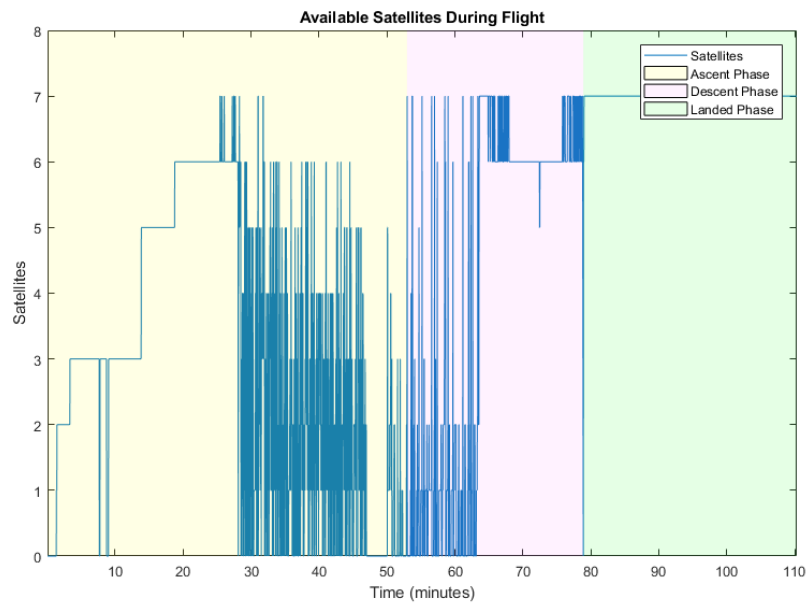


Figure 25: Satellites during flight

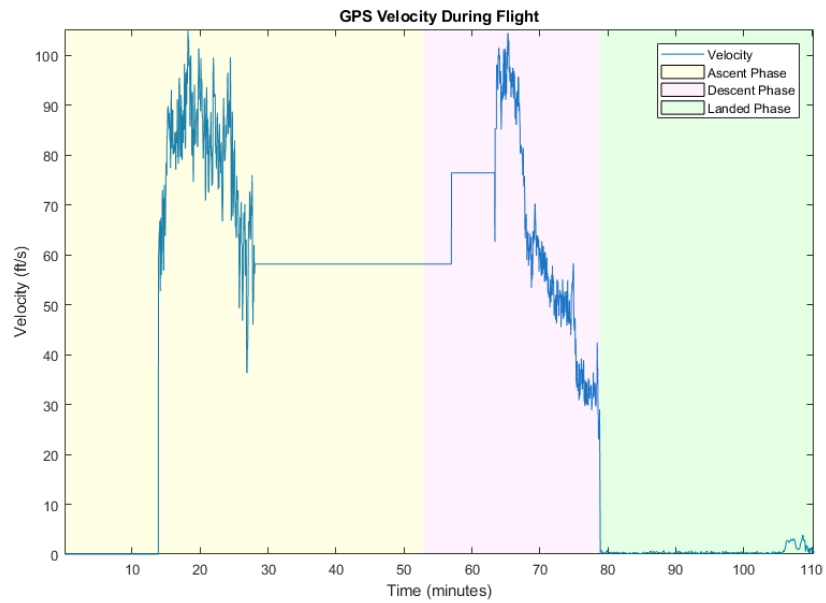


Figure 26: GPS Velocity during flight

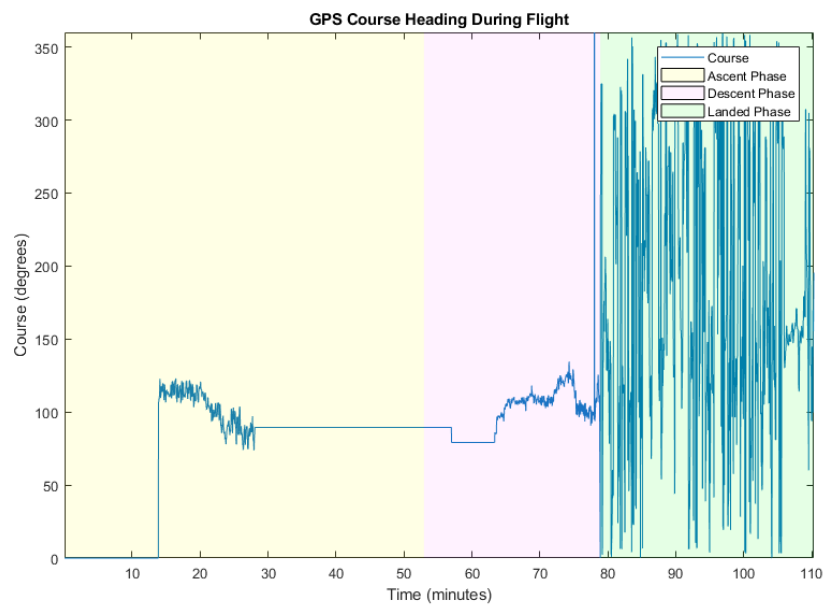


Figure 27: GPS Course during flight



Figure 28: Snow flakes in the side-facing camera, roughly 5 minutes into flight



Figure 29: Side facing camera, roughly 10 minutes into flight



Figure 30: Down-facing camera in high winds, roughly 45 minutes into flight



Figure 31: Down-facing camera just before landing, roughly 1 hour 20 minutes into flight

B Printed Circuit Board

B.1 Hardware Architecture

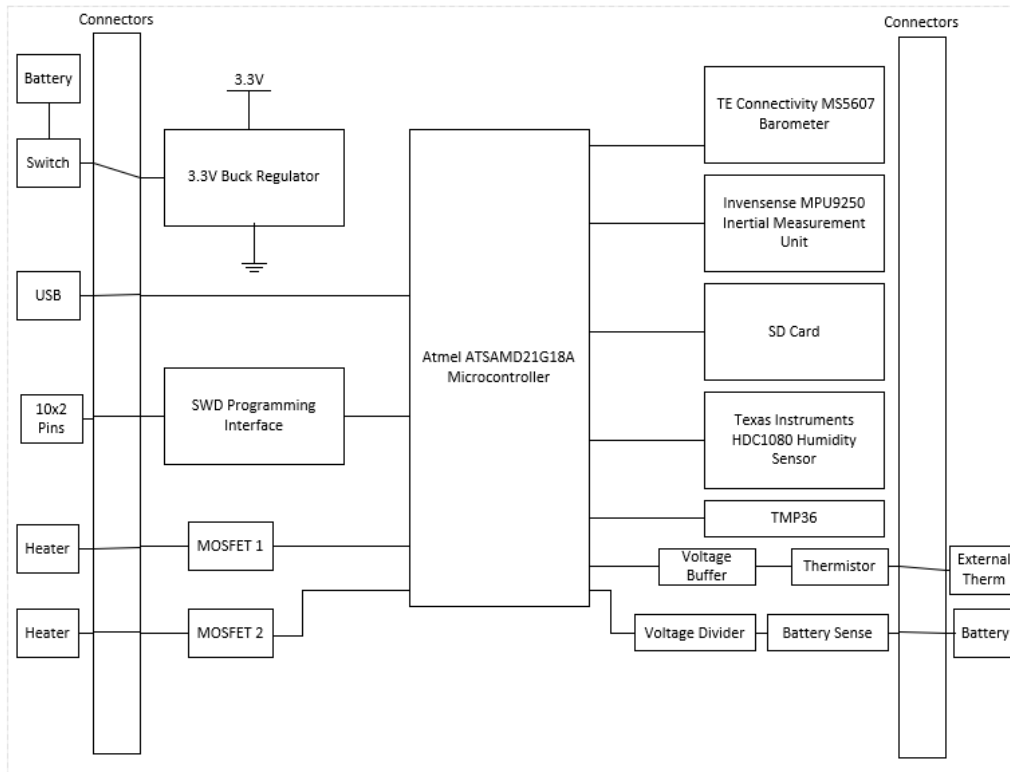


Figure 32: Hardware Architecture Diagram

B.2 Printed Circuit Board Schematic

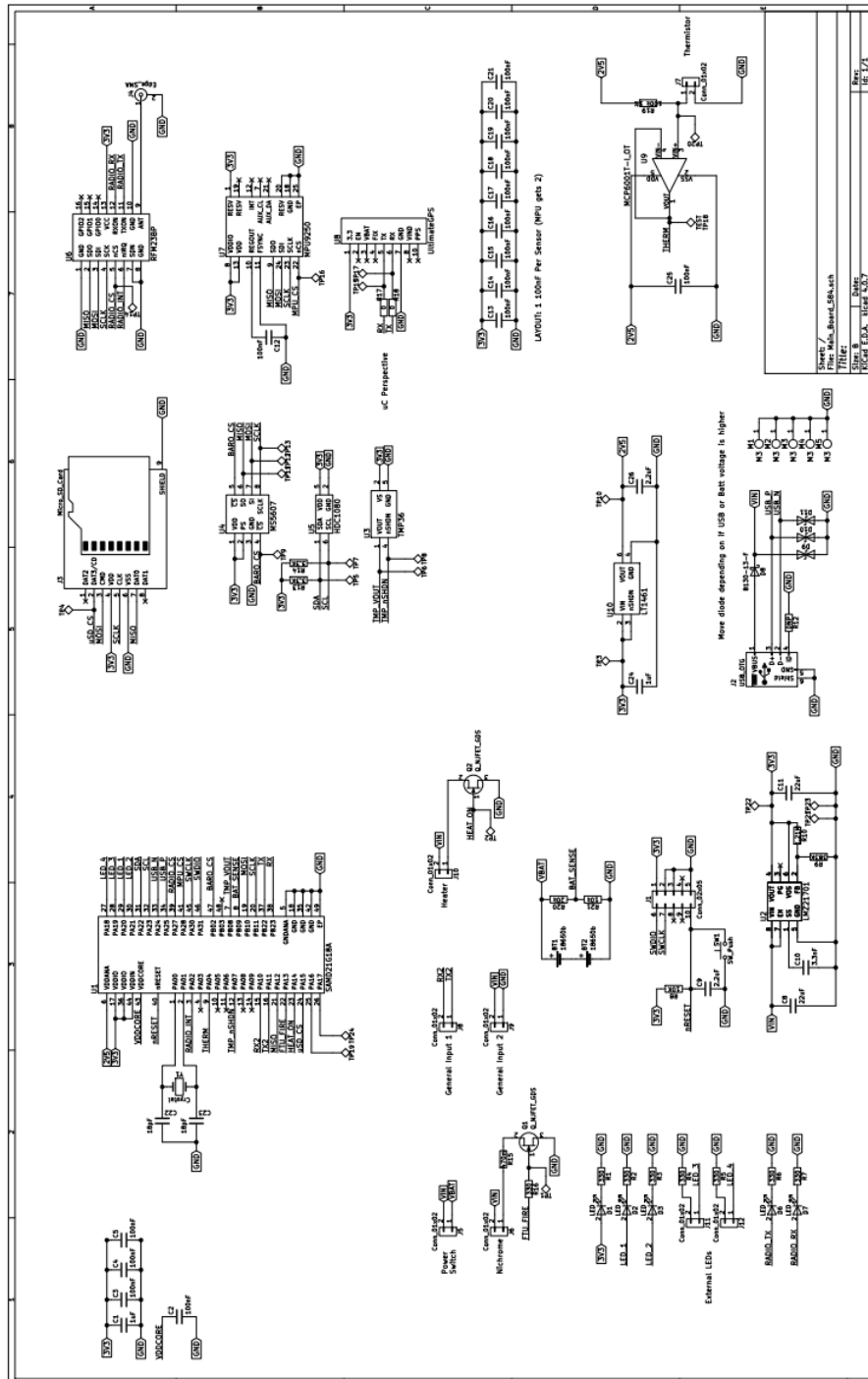


Figure 33: Schematic

B.3 Printed Circuit Board Top Layer

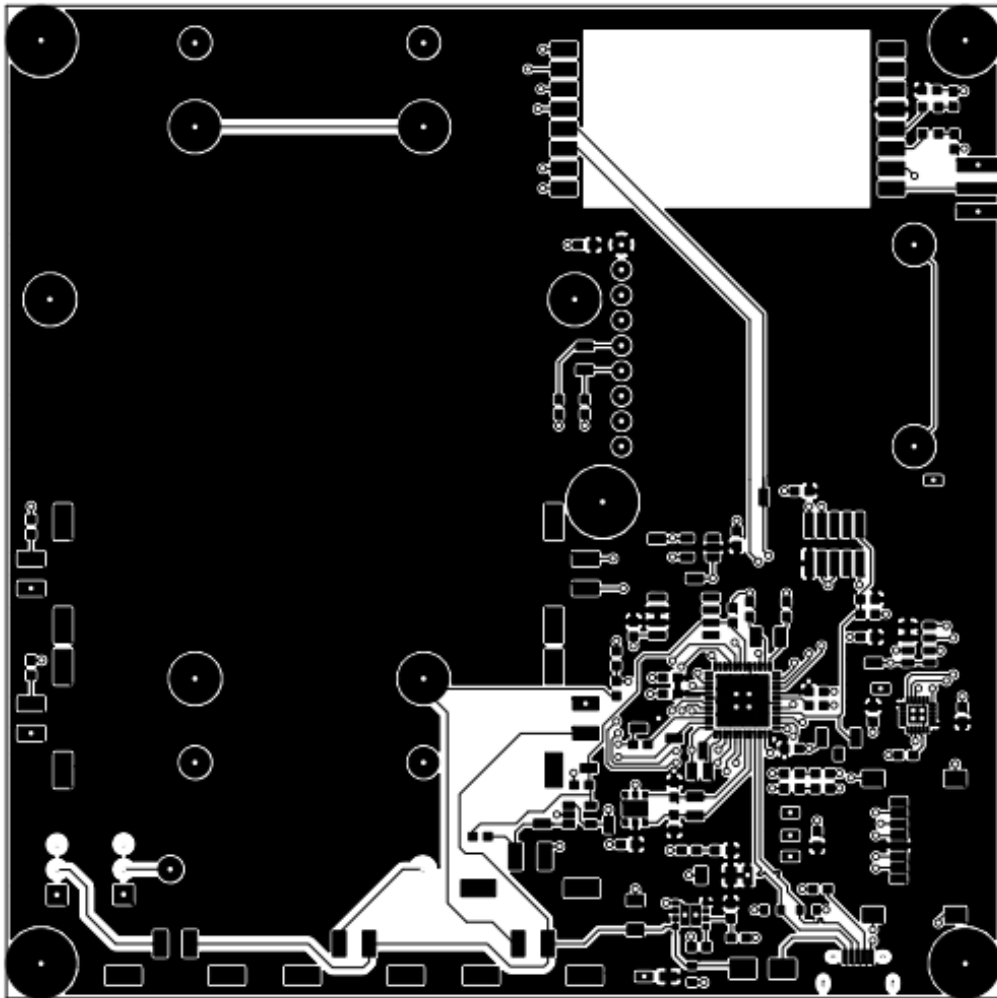


Figure 34: Top Layer

B.4 Printed Circuit Board Bottom Layer

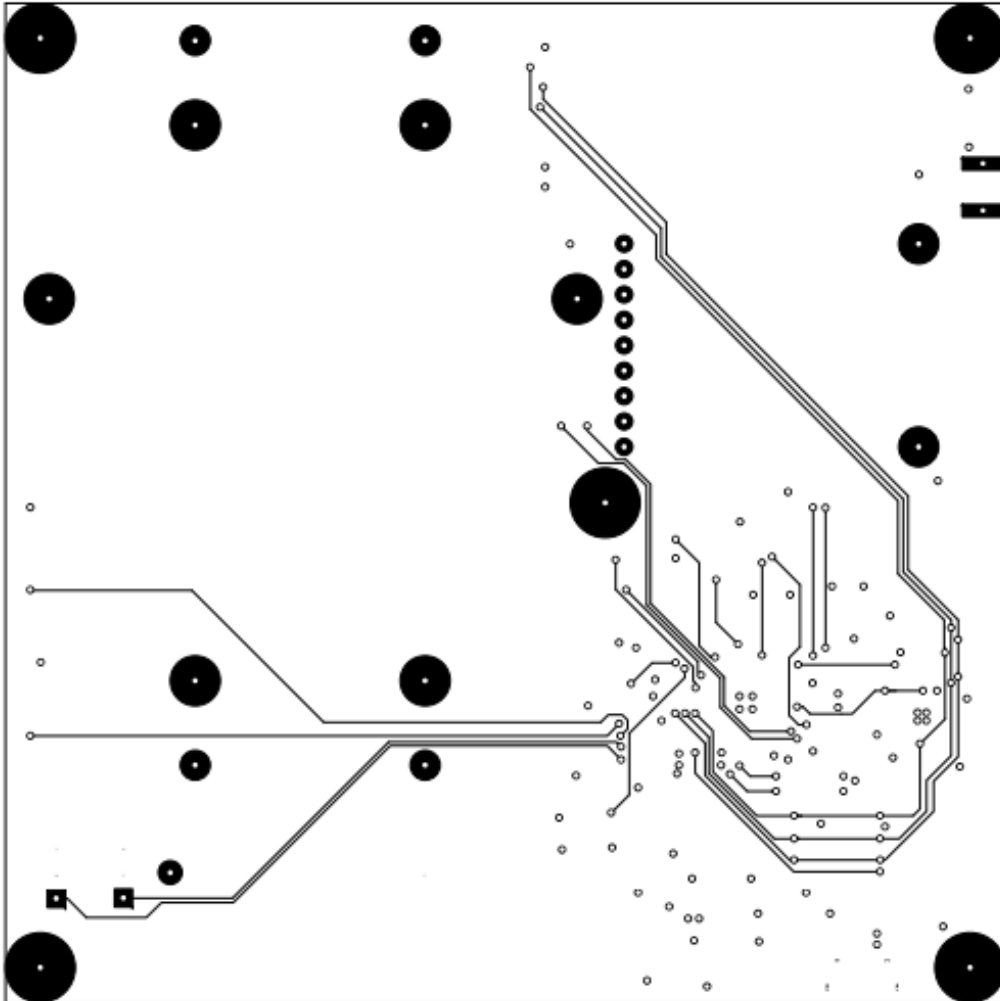


Figure 35: Bottom Layer

C Launch SOP

Day Before

Materials

- White Trackuino battery
- White FTU battery
- Black payload batteries (x2)
- Ground station battery
- microSD card (x3)

Procedure

- Fully charge Trackuino battery
- Fully charge both payload batteries
- Fully charge both cameras
- Fully charge ground station battery
- Wipe all microSD cards
- A66 camera microSD card
- Not A66 camera microSD card
- Payload microSD card
- Install microSD cards in payload board and both cameras

Day Of

Materials

- FTU
 - White FTU battery
 - FTU protoboard
 - FTU box
 - FTU lid
 - Nichrome
- Payload
 - Black payload batteries (x2)

- Payload board
- Trackuino
- White trackuino battery
- Cameras (x2)
- microSD card (x3)
- Payload box/lid
- Payload internal support
- Heater (x2)
- Trackuino GPS antenna
- Trackuino APRS antenna with SMA cable
- Velcro straps
- Duct tape
- Small zip ties
- Spare velcro
- Tools
 - Crescent wrench for helium bottle
 - Allen keys
 - Screwdriver for electronics
 - Multimeter
 - Pliers
 - Scissors
 - Duct tape
 - Electrical tape
 - Masking tape
 - Hot glue gun
 - Hot glue
 - Scale
 - Solder
 - Soldering iron

- Wire
- Wire cutters
- Wire strippers
- Payload support
 - Payload battery charger
 - FTU/Trackuino battery charger
- Train
 - Balloon
 - Parachute
 - Radar reflector
 - Zip ties (for balloon)
 - 10 paracord lines for connecting components
 - 20 carabiners/clips
- Balloon filling
 - 4x bottles (two balloons)
 - Regulator/fill valve
 - Dolly
 - Crescent wrench
 - Filling hose
 - Vinyl gloves (x4)
 - Leather gloves for string ($i=3$)
 - Kite nylon rigging string
 - Pre-made rigging harnesses, with key rings ($i=6$)
 - Key rings (x24)
 - Ground tarp
 - Balloon tarp
 - “House”
 - Zip ties
 - Full roll of duct tape

- Safety glasses (x3)
- Ground Station
 - Kenwood TM-D710 radio display/transceiver
 - Laptop/charger
 - Inverter
 - APRS antenna
 - GPS antenna
 - Cabling for radio to laptop (DIN8 to DB9, serial to USB converter, USB cable)

Payload/Trackuino Assembly

- Place batteries in payload board, taking the utmost care to install them in the correct orientation. This should be verified by a second person.
- Add zipties around the batteries.
- Place the payload board in the box. Hot glue may be needed to attach the hook side of the Velcro to the box. Push the board down on the Velcro, and wiggle it around laterally. Gently pull up on the board to verify that it is secure.
- Turn on cameras and start recording. Install them in the payload box. The one on the side should be installed first.
- Wrap heaters snugly around cameras.
- Attach connectors to the board.
 - One heater to the HEAT connector
 - One heater to the FTU connector
 - Thermistor to the TMP connector
 - Switch connector with two wires to the SWITCH connector
 - Switch connector with one wire to the TP connector
- Route wiring around edges of the box, and tape to walls.
- Attach the Trackuino to the lid, following the Velcro pattern.
- Install the buzzer in the Trackuino, taking care to match the polarities. Tug gently to ensure that it is secure.
- Attach the GPS antenna to the red GPS module on the Trackuino.
- Attach the APRS antenna to the SMA connector on the Trackuino board through an SMA coaxial cable.

- Attach the white Trackuino battery to the Trackuino.
- Slide the Trackuino battery into the slot in the payload internal support.
- Slide the Trackuino GPS antenna into the slot in the top of the payload internal support.
- Slide the Trackuino APRS antenna into the hole at the bottom of the payload box.
- Gently slide the internal support into the payload box over the cameras/heaters, being careful to not press any of the camera buttons. Keep the lid close to avoid ripping wires out of the Trackuino.
- Pull the APRS antenna through the hole until most of the antenna is outside. Tape the SMA coaxial cable to the side of the payload box.
- Place the lid on the box.
- Wrap tape around the base of the APRS antenna.
- Wrap the box with Velcro straps in both directions.
- Hold the box with the APRS antenna facing downwards until the Trackuino buzzer starts to beep, indicating GPS lock.
- The payload is now ready for integration with the payload train.

D Flight Code

D.1 Flow Diagram

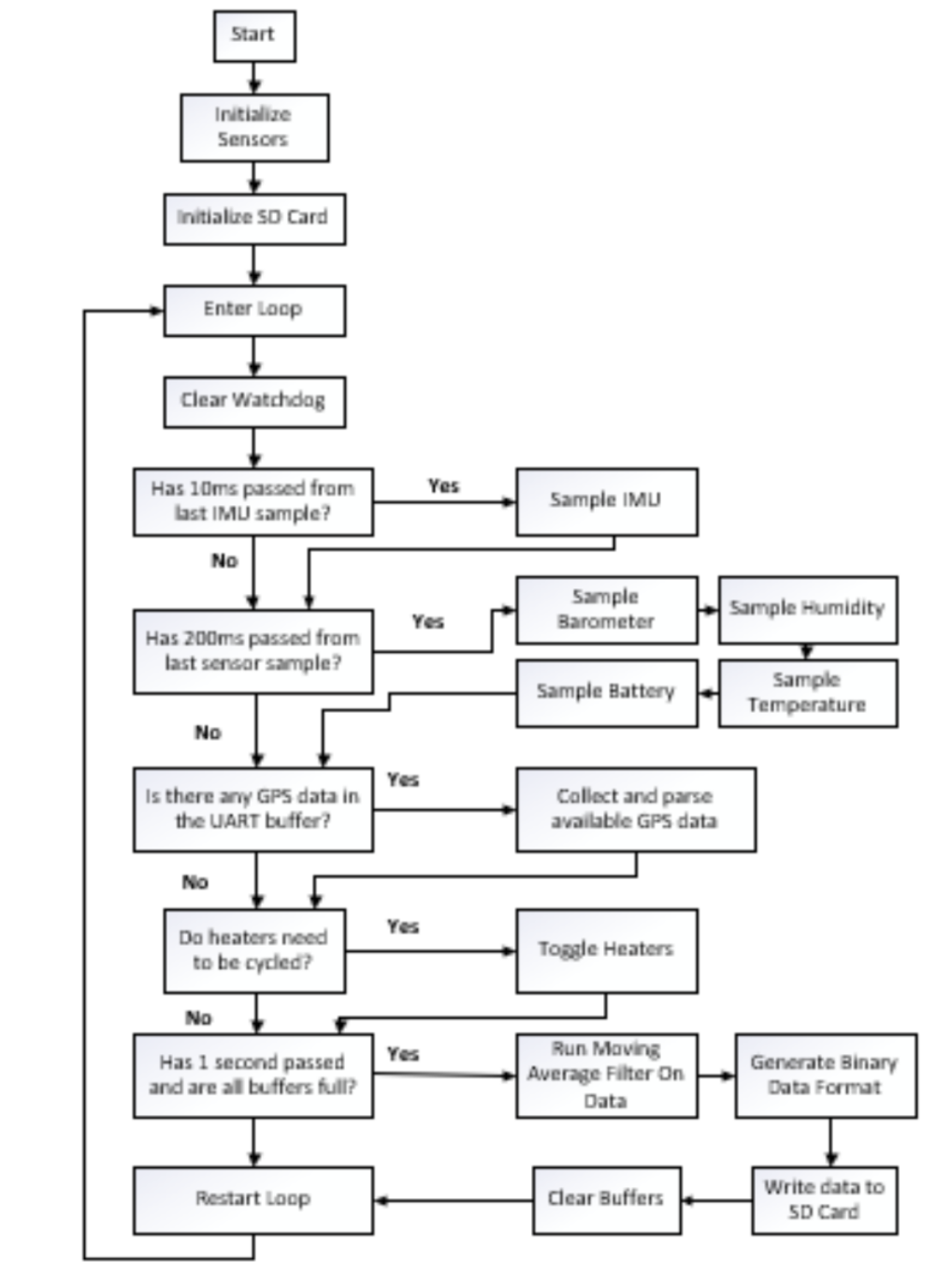


Figure 36: Software Flow Diagram

D.2 Payload Code

```
1 /*
2  * flight_code.ino
3  * This file contains the Arduino main program code to handle in-flight tasks
4  *
5  * Tasks to complete:
6  * Sample MPU9250: 10Hz, SPI, Circular Buffer
7  * Sample GPS: 1Hz, Serial, Processing Intense Task
8  * Sample Humidity: 5Hz, I2C, MAF, Circular Buffer
9  * Sample TMP36: 5Hz, ADC, MAF, Circular Buffer
10 * Sample Thermistor: 5Hz, ADC, MAF, Circular Buffer
11 * Sample Barometer: 5Hz, SPI, Process, MAF, Circular Buffer
12 * Sample Battery Voltage: 5Hz ADC, MAF, Circular Buffer
13 *
14 * Write Data to SD Card: 1Hz, SPI
15 * Write or Read data to Radio 1Hz, SPI
16 * Write or Read data to SD for reset handling (100mHz write, read on power
17   on)
18 *
19 * Clear Watchdog: Handles crashes. Call whenever possible.
20 * Enable/Disable FTU from timer or command (use RTC for timer), 1Hz
21 * Enable/Disable Heater from timer or TMP36 feedback (use RTC for timer), 1
22   Hz
23 * Enable/Disable Status LEDs, Lowest Priority
24 */
25 //
26 //Includes
27 #include <SPI.h> //Built in Arduino SPI library
28 //The standard Arduino SD library is actually built on this library
29 //Using the smaller version to reduce overhead and speed up write speeds
30 //Library ZIP included in git repo
31 //Install with Sketch>Include Library>Add .ZIP Library
32 #include <SdFat.h> //Installed SD Library
33
34 //File with #define constants
35 #include "flight_config.h"
36
37 #include "src/tinygps/TinyGPS++.h" //Downloaded GPS library
38 #include "src/mpu9250/MPU9250.h" //Downloaded IMU library
39 #include "src/hdc1080/ClosedCube_HDC1080.h" //Downloaded humidity sensor
40   library
41 #include "src/rtc/RTCZero.h" //Arduino official library for real-time clock
42 //End Includes
43 //
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```
44 //
45 //Macros
46 #ifndef SERIAL_DEBUG
47 #define debug(X) SerialUSB.println(X)
48 #else
49 #define debug(X) do {} while(0) //compiles to noop or optimized out
50 #endif
51 //End Macros
52 //
53
54 //
55 //Global Objects
56 ClosedCube_HDC1080 hdc1080; //I2C Humidity sensor
57 MPU9250 mpu(MPU_SPL_CLOCK, MPU_SS_PIN); //SPI IMU
58 TinyGPSPlus gps; //Serial GPS
59 RTCZero rtc; //Internal Real-Time Clock
60
61 SdFat sd; //SD handler
62 SdFile log_file; //Log file handler
63 SdFile config_file; //Config file handler
64 //End Global Objects
65 //
66
67 //
68 //Structs
69 //Structure for data to log on next SD call
70 data_to_log data;
71
72 //Structure to read and write from on power on or state log
73 config_log config;
74 //End Structs
75 //
76
77 //
78 //Global Variables
79
80 //Buffer pointers
81 uint8_t mpu_offset = 0;
82 uint8_t slow_offset = 0;
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83
84 //Buffers to store data
85 //IMU buffer stored in log data structure
86 float32_t humid[SLOW_SAMPLERATE];
87 uint32_t tmp[SLOW_SAMPLERATE];
88 uint32_t therm[SLOW_SAMPLERATE];
89 float32_t baro[SLOW_SAMPLERATE];
90 uint32_t batt[SLOW_SAMPLERATE];
91
92 //Current state of FTU and heater
93 uint32_t ftu_state = 0;
94 uint32_t heat_state_1 = 0;
95 uint32_t heat_state_2 = 0;
96 //Last stored temp, for feedback heating
97 float32_t last_temp = 0;
98
99 //Assorted timers for spacing function execution time
100 uint32_t counter;
101 uint32_t last_call;
102 uint32_t last_mpu;
103 uint32_t last_slow;
104 uint32_t last_gps;
105 uint32_t this_call;
106 uint32_t last_heat;
107 uint32_t last_ftu;
108 uint32_t last_config;
109 uint32_t last_led;
110 uint32_t ftu_start = 0;
111
112 //Trigger for logging to the SD card
113 uint16_t ready = 0x00;
114
115 //Status of the SD card after opening
116 uint8_t sd_status = 0;
117
118 //Stores barometer configuration settings
119 uint16_t baro_prom[8];
120
121 //Counter for time left until FTU trigger
122 uint32_t ftu_ms_remain = TWO_HOURS_MS;
123
124
125 //End Global Variables
126 //
127
128 //
129 //Function Declarations
130 void init_spi();
131 void init_mpu();
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```
132 void init_gps ();
133 void init_humid ();
134 void init_baro ();
135 void init_tmp ();
136 void init_sd ();
137 void init_radio ();
138 void init_config_file ();
139 void init_rtc ();
140 void init_leds ();
141 void init_ftu ();
142 void init_heater ();
143
144 void init_watchdog ();
145
146 void clear_watchdog ();
147
148 //End Function Declarations
149 //


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150
151 //


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152 //Program Setup
153 void setup () {
154     #ifdef SERIAL_DEBUG
155     SerialUSB.begin (115200);
156     while (!SerialUSB) {}
157     #endif
158     debug ("Here we go");
159     debug ("Starting init");
160
161     //Assorted initialization functions for each feature
162     init_spi ();
163     init_leds ();
164     init_ftu ();
165     init_heater ();
166     init_mpu ();
167     init_gps ();
168     init_humid ();
169     init_baro ();
170     init_tmp ();
171     init_sd ();
172     init_radio ();
173     init_config ();
174     init_rtc ();
175
176     init_watchdog ();
177
178     debug ("Done with init");
179     debug ("Starting Task Creation");
180
```



```
181 //Set up timers
182 last_call = millis();
183 last_mpu = last_call;
184 last_slow = last_call;
185 last_gps = last_call;
186 this_call = last_call;
187 last_heat = last_call;
188 last_ftu = last_call;
189 last_config = last_call;
190 last_led = last_call;
191 analogReadResolution(12);
192
193 }
194 //End Program Setup
195 //


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196
197 //


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198 //Program Loop
199 void loop() {
200     this_call = millis(); //Gets current time
201     clear_watchdog(); //Needs to happen very frequently or program resets
202
203     //Triggers regular IMU logging
204     if ((this_call - last_mpu) > MPU_SAMPLE_PERIOD && !(ready & 0x01 << 0)){
205         debug("MPU");
206         debug(this_call);
207         read_mpu();
208         last_mpu = this_call;
209     }
210
211     //Triggers regular logging for non-IMU sensors
212     if ((this_call - last_slow) > SLOW_SAMPLE_PERIOD && !(ready & 0x01 << 1)){
213         debug("SLOW");
214         debug(this_call);
215         read_humid();
216         read_tmp();
217         read_therm();
218         read_batt();
219         read_baro();
220
221         slow_offset++;
222         if (slow_offset == SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE){
223             slow_offset--;
224             ready |= 0b0000000000000010;
225             update_humid();
226             update_tmp();
227             update_therm();
228             update_baro();
229             update_batt();
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230     }
231     last_slow = this_call;
232 }
233
234 //Attempts to read GPS whenever possible
235 //if ((this_call - last_gps) > 1000 && !(ready&0x01 << 2)){
236 if (GPS.SERIAL.available()){
237     debug("GPS");
238     debug(this_call);
239     read_gps();
240
241
242     //last_gps = this_call;
243 }
244
245 //Clears wait for GPS if more than a second has passed
246 //This is necessary to ensure IMU samples are not too delayed
247 if ((this_call - last_gps) > 1000){
248     ready|=0b0000000000000100;
249     last_gps = this_call;
250
251 }
252
253 if ((this_call - last_led) > 500){
254     update_leds();
255     last_led = this_call;
256 }
257
258 //Check the FTU and heaters
259 if ((this_call - last_ftu) > 100){
260     //ftu_check();
261     heat_check();
262     last_ftu = this_call;
263 }
264
265 //Update the config file to protect from unexpected reset data loss
266 if ((this_call - last_config) > 10000){
267     write_config();
268     last_config = this_call;
269 }
270
271 //Logs data to SD card and resets
272 debug(ready);
273 if (ready == READY_TO_LOG){
274     debug("SD");
275     debug(this_call);
276     write_sd();
277     ready = 0;
278
279     mpu_offset = 0;
280     slow_offset = 0;
281
282     memset(humid, 0, sizeof(humid));
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283     memset(tmp, 0, sizeof(tmp));
284     memset(therm, 0, sizeof(therm));
285     memset(batt, 0, sizeof(batt));
286     memset(baro, 0, sizeof(baro));
287 }
288
289 }
290 //End Program Loop
291 //
292
293 //
294 //Program Initialization
295 void init_spi(){
296     /*
297     init_spi()
298     This function starts the SPI bus and sets chip selects
299     */
300     SPI.begin();
301     pinMode(BARO_SS_PIN, OUTPUT);
302     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN, HIGH);
303     pinMode(SD_SS_PIN, OUTPUT);
304     digitalWrite(SD_SS_PIN, HIGH);
305     pinMode(MPU_SS_PIN, OUTPUT);
306     digitalWrite(MPU_SS_PIN, HIGH);
307     pinMode(RADIO_SS_PIN, OUTPUT);
308     digitalWrite(RADIO_SS_PIN, HIGH);
309
310 }
311
312 void init_mpu(){
313     /*
314     init_mpu()
315     This function loads config information to the IMU and
316     runs an internal calibration
317     */
318     mpu.init(true);
319     mpu.set_acc_scale(BITS_FS_4G);
320     mpu.set_gyro_scale(BITS_FS_2000DPS);
321     mpu.calib_acc();
322     mpu.calib_mag();
323 }
324
325 void init_gps(){
326     /*
327     init_gps()
328     This function sets up the UART Serial bus for collecting GPS data
329     */
330     GPS_SERIAL.begin(9600);
331 }
```

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332
333 void init_humid(){
334     /*
335     init_humid()
336     This function initializes the humidity sensor
337     */
338     hdc1080.begin(0x40);
339 }
340
341
342
343 void init_baro(){
344     /*
345     init_baro()
346     This function sets up the barometer and loads configuration information
347     */
348     SPI.beginTransaction(SPISettings(BARO_SPI_CLOCK, MSBFIRST, SPI_MODE0));
349     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN, LOW);
350     SPI.transfer(BARO_R);
351     delay(5);
352     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN, HIGH);
353     delay(5);
354
355     uint8_t a = 0;
356     uint8_t b = 0;
357     for (uint8_t i = 0; i < 8; i++){
358
359         digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN, LOW);
360         SPI.transfer(BARO_PROM_READ | ((0b111&i)<<1));
361         a = SPI.transfer(0x00);
362         b = SPI.transfer(0x00);
363         digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN, HIGH);
364         baro_prom[i] = (a<<8)|b;
365         delay(10);
366     }
367     SPI.endTransaction();
368 }
369
370 void init_tmp(){
371     /*
372     init_tmp()
373     This function sets up the shutdown pin for the TMP36
374     */
375     pinMode(TMP_NSHDN, OUTPUT);
376 }
377
378 void init_sd(){
379     /*
380     init_sd()
381     This function sets up the log file on the SD card
382     */
383     uint32_t buff[4] = {0x88888888, 0x88888888, 0x88888888, 0x88888888};
384     sd_status = sd.begin(SD_SS_PIN, SD_SCK_MHZ(SD_SPI_CLOCK));
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385     log_file.open(LOGFILE_NAME, O_CREAT | O_APPEND | O_WRITE);
386     log_file.write(buff, sizeof(buff));
387     log_file.close();
388 }
389
390 void init_radio(){
391     //TODO
392     /*
393     init_radio()
394     This function initializes the radio for transceiver functionality
395     */
396     delay(100);
397 }
398
399
400 void init_config(){
401     /*
402     init_config()
403     This function sets up the config file on the SD card
404     */
405     #ifdef CONFIG_POR
406     config_file.open(CONFIG_FILE_NAME, O_READ);
407     uint32_t len = config_file.available();
408     config_file.seekSet(len - sizeof(config_log));
409     uint8_t* buff = (uint8_t *) &config;
410     for (uint32_t i= 0; i< sizeof( config_log); i++ )
411     {
412         if ( config_file.available())
413         {
414             *( buff + i ) = config_file.read();
415         }
416     }
417     config_file.close();
418     #endif
419 }
420
421
422
423 void init_rtc(){
424     //TODO read from config file instead of static read
425     /*
426     init_rtc()
427     This function initializes the built in real-time clock
428     */
429     rtc.begin();
430     rtc.setTime(NOW_HOURS, NOW_MINUTES, NOW_SECONDS);
431     rtc.setDate(NOW_DAY, NOW_MONTH, NOW_YEAR);
432
433     //Sets an alarm to trigger after two hours to drive FTU control
434     rtc.setAlarmTime(NOW_HOURS+2,NOW_MINUTES,NOW_SECONDS);
435     rtc.enableAlarm(rtc.MATCHHHMMSS);
436
437     rtc.attachInterrupt(panic_ftu);
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438 }
439 }
440
441
442 void init_leds(){
443     /*
444     init_leds()
445     This function sets the pin direction for LED pins
446     */
447     pinMode(LED1_PIN,OUTPUT);
448     pinMode(LED2_PIN,OUTPUT);
449     pinMode(LED3_PIN,OUTPUT);
450     pinMode(LED4_PIN,OUTPUT);
451
452     digitalWrite(LED1_PIN, LOW);
453     digitalWrite(LED2_PIN, LOW);
454     digitalWrite(LED3_PIN, LOW);
455     digitalWrite(LED4_PIN, LOW);
456 }
457
458 void init_ftu(){
459     /*
460     init_ftu()
461     This function sets pin direction for the FTU FET
462     */
463     pinMode(FTU_PIN,OUTPUT);
464     digitalWrite(FTU_PIN, LOW);
465 }
466
467 void init_heater(){
468     /*
469     init_heater()
470     Sets pin mode for the heater FET
471     */
472     pinMode(HEAT_PIN,OUTPUT);
473     digitalWrite(HEAT_PIN,LOW);
474 }
475
476 void init_watchdog(){
477     /*
478     init_watchdog()
479     This function enables the internal watchdog timer
480     A watchdog timer will reset the microcontroller if it is not cleared
481     regularly
482     This give the program a hardware mechanism of resetting in the event of a
483     crashes
484     This watchdog is set to reset the microcontroller if it is not cleared
485     every 8 seconds
486     Code is pulled from an old MASA project
487     */
488     GCLK->GENDIV.reg = GCLK_GENDIV_ID(2) | GCLK_GENDIV_DIV(4);
489
490     GCLK->GENCTRL.reg = GCLK_GENCTRL_ID(2) | GCLK_GENCTRL_GENEN |
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GCLK_GENCTRL_SRC_OSCULP32K | GCLK_GENCTRL_DIVSEL;
488
489   while (GCLK->STATUS.bit.SYNCBUSY);
490
491   GCLK->CLKCTRL.reg = GCLK_CLKCTRL_ID_WDT | GCLK_CLKCTRL_CLKEN |
GCLK_CLKCTRL_GEN_GCLK2;
492
493   WDF->CTRL.reg = 0; // Disable watchdog for config
494   while(WDF->STATUS.bit.SYNCBUSY);
495
496   WDF->INTENCLR.bit.EW   = 1; // Disable early warning interrupt
497   WDF->CONFIG.bit.PER    = 0xA; // Set period (8192ms) for chip reset
498   WDF->CTRL.bit.WEN     = 0; // Disable window mode
499   while(WDF->STATUS.bit.SYNCBUSY); // Sync CTRL write
500
501   WDF->CLEAR.reg = WDT_CLEAR_CLEAR_KEY;
502   while(WDF->STATUS.bit.SYNCBUSY);
503
504   WDF->CTRL.reg = WDF->CTRL.reg | WDT_CTRL_ENABLE;
505   while(WDF->STATUS.bit.SYNCBUSY);
506
507 }
508
509 //End Program Initialization
510 //
511
512 //
513 //Looping Functions
514 void clear_watchdog() {
515     /*
516     clear_watchdog()
517     This function clears the watchdog timer countdown
518     It must be called more frequently than the watchdog timeout
519     */
520     WDF->CLEAR.reg = WDT_CLEAR_CLEAR_KEY;
521     while(WDF->STATUS.bit.SYNCBUSY);
522 }
523
524 void read_mpu() {
525     /*
526     read_mpu()
527     This function reads measurements from the MPU9250 IMU.
528     The library call stores the measurements in an internal library structure
529     Measurements are taken from library structure and moved into logging
530     structure
531     Called at the IMU sampling frequency
532     Measurements are read over the SPI bus
533

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534     The measurements are converted from binary data to analog data in the
535     library
536     Analog floating point data is logged into the data logging structure
537     */
538     mpu.read_all();
539
540     //ax, ay, az (g)
541     data.mpu[0][mpu_offset] = mpu.accel_data[0];
542     data.mpu[1][mpu_offset] = mpu.accel_data[1];
543     data.mpu[2][mpu_offset] = mpu.accel_data[2];
544
545     //gx, gy, gz (deg/s)
546     data.mpu[3][mpu_offset] = mpu.gyro_data[0];
547     data.mpu[4][mpu_offset] = mpu.gyro_data[1];
548     data.mpu[5][mpu_offset] = mpu.gyro_data[2];
549
550     //mx, my, mz (uT)
551     data.mpu[6][mpu_offset] = mpu.mag_data[0];
552     data.mpu[7][mpu_offset] = mpu.mag_data[1];
553     data.mpu[8][mpu_offset] = mpu.mag_data[2];
554
555     //time (ms)
556     data.mpu[9][mpu_offset] = this_call;
557
558     //Increments the buffer pointer, checks if all data logged
559     mpu_offset++;
560     if (mpu_offset==MPU_SAMPLERATE){
561         mpu_offset--;
562         ready|=0b0000000000000001;
563     }
564 }
565
566 void read_humid(){
567     /*
568     read_humid()
569     This function reads from the HDC1080 humidity sensor
570     It requests measurements over the I2C bus
571     Collected measurements are placed in the slow sample buffer
572     */
573     humid[slow_offset] = hdc1080.readHumidity();
574 }
575
576 void read_tmp(){
577     /*
578     read_tmp()
579     This function reads from the TMP36 on board temperature sensor
580     It enables the sensor, waits for it to power up, and then samples from
581     the ADC
582
583     Enabling and disabling the sensor is a way to limit self-heating
584
585     Collected digital measurements are placed in the slow sample buffer

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585     */
586     digitalWrite(TMP_NSHTDN,HIGH);
587     delayMicroseconds(150);
588     tmp[slow_offset] = analogRead(TMP_ADC_PIN);
589     digitalWrite(TMP_NSHTDN,LOW);
590 }
591
592 void read_therm(){
593     /*
594     read_therm()
595     This function reads from the thermistor voltage divider
596
597     Collected digital measurements are placed in the slow sample buffer
598     */
599     therm[slow_offset] = analogRead(THERM_ADC_PIN);
600 }
601
602 void read_batt(){
603     /*
604     read_batt()
605     This function reads from the battery voltage divider
606
607     Collected digital measurements are placed in the slow sample buffer
608     */
609     batt[slow_offset] = analogRead(BATT_ADC_PIN);
610 }
611
612 void read_baro(){
613     /*
614     read_baro()
615     This function reads measurements from the MS5607 barometer.
616     The library stores the measurements in the slow sample buffer
617
618     Measurements are read over the SPI bus
619
620     The measurements are converted from binary data to analog data
621     Analog floating point data is logged into the slow buffer.
622
623     Formula for conversion is found in the datasheet
624     http://www.te.com/commerce/DocumentDelivery/DDEController?Action=srchtrv&DocNm=MS5607-02BA03&DocType=Data+Sheet&DocLang=English
625     */
626
627     //Collect the raw digital pressure value
628     uint8_t a = 0;
629     uint8_t b = 0;
630     uint8_t c = 0;
631     SPI.beginTransaction(SPISettings(BARO_SPI_CLOCK, MSBFIRST, SPI_MODE0));
632     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN,LOW);
633     SPI.transfer(BARO_CONVERT_D1);
634     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN,HIGH);
635     delay(10);
636     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN,LOW);
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637     SPI.transfer(0x00);
638     a = SPI.transfer(0x00);
639     b = SPI.transfer(0x00);
640     c = SPI.transfer(0x00);
641     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN,HIGH);
642     uint32_t read_pressure = (a<<16)|(b<<8)|c;
643
644     //Calculate the raw digital internal temperature value
645     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN,LOW);
646     SPI.transfer(BARO_CONVERT_D2);
647     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN,HIGH);
648     delay(10);
649     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN,LOW);
650     SPI.transfer(0x00);
651     a = SPI.transfer(0x00);
652     b = SPI.transfer(0x00);
653     c = SPI.transfer(0x00);
654     digitalWrite(BARO_SS_PIN,HIGH);
655
656     uint32_t read_temp = (a<<16)|(b<<8)|c;
657
658     //Runs the magic formula in the datasheet
659     //Beware if reimplementing later, parentheses are extremely important
660     //here
661     int32_t dT = read_temp - (baro_prom[5] * pow(2,8));
662
663     int32_t temp = 2000 + dT * (baro_prom[6]/pow(2,23));
664
665     float64_t temp_c = temp/100.0;
666
667     int64_t off = baro_prom[2] * pow(2,17) + (baro_prom[4]*dT)/pow(2,6);
668
669     int64_t sens = baro_prom[1] * pow(2,16) + (baro_prom[3] * dT)/pow(2,7);
670
671     int64_t p = (read_pressure * (sens/pow(2,21)) - off)/pow(2,15);
672
673     float64_t p_mbar = p/100.0;
674
675     baro[slow_offset] = (float32_t) p_mbar;
676 }
677 void update_humid(){
678     /*
679     update_humid()
680
681     This function averages the collected humidity data
682     Runs a moving average filter on the humidity slow buffer
683     Puts the average into the logging structure
684     */
685     float32_t avg = 0;
686
687     for (uint8_t i = 0; i < SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE; i++){
688         avg+=humid[i];

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689     }
690     avg/=((float32_t)SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE);
691
692     data.humid = avg;
693
694 }
695
696
697 void update_tmp(){
698     /*
699     update_tmp()
700
701     This function averages the collected TMP36 temperature data
702     Runs a moving average filter on the TMP36 slow buffer
703
704     Converts the average into degrees C
705
706     Puts the average into the logging structure
707     */
708     float32_t avg = 0;
709
710     for (uint8_t i = 0; i < SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE; i++){
711         avg+=tmp[i];
712     }
713     avg=avg/((float32_t)SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE);
714     avg = (avg * VDDANA / ((float32_t)MAX_RES)) * 100.0 - 50.0;
715     data.tmp = avg;
716     last_temp = avg;
717 }
718
719
720 void update_therm(){
721     /*
722     update_therm()
723
724     This function averages the collected thermistor temperature data
725     Runs a moving average filter on the thermistor temperature slow buffer
726
727     Converts the average into degrees C
728
729     Puts the average into the logging structure
730     */
731     float32_t avg = 0;
732
733     for (uint8_t i = 0; i < SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE; i++){
734         avg+=therm[i];
735     }
736     avg=avg/((float32_t)SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE);
737     float32_t volts = (avg * VDDANA / ((float32_t)MAX_RES));
738
739     float32_t res = (volts * R_1)/(VDDANA-volts);
740
741     float32_t t = BETA / log(res / R_INF) - 273.15;

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742     last_temp = t;
743
744     data.therm = t;
745
746
747 }
748
749 void update_batt(){
750     /*
751     update_batt()
752
753     This function averages the collected battery data
754     Runs a moving average filter on the humidity slow buffer
755
756     Converts the average into volts
757
758     Puts the average into the logging structure
759     */
760     float32_t avg = 0;
761
762     for (uint8_t i = 0; i < SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE; i++){
763         avg+=batt[i];
764     }
765     avg=avg/((float32_t)SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE);
766     float32_t volts = (avg * VDDANA / ((float32_t)MAX_RES));
767     float32_t b = volts * (10000 + 20000)/(10000);
768     data.batt = b;
769
770 }
771
772 void update_baro(){
773     /*
774     update_baro()
775
776     This function averages the collected barometer pressure data
777     Runs a moving average filter on the barometer slow buffer
778     Puts the average into the logging structure
779     */
780     float32_t avg = 0;
781
782     for (uint8_t i = 0; i < SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE; i++){
783         avg+=baro[i];
784     }
785     avg=avg/((float)SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE);
786
787     data.baro = avg;
788
789 }
790
791 void read_gps(){
792     /*
793     read_gps()
794
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795     This function attempts to poll the GPS for current data
796
797     It reads until data is found. If a full message is found, it parses the
NMEA
798     data and puts it into an internal library structure.
799
800     If data is valid, it is added to the datalogging structure
801     */
802
803
804     //uint32_t poll_start = millis();
805     uint8_t disp = 0;
806
807     while(GPS_SERIAL.available())
808         disp = gps.encode(GPS_SERIAL.read());
809
810     if (disp){
811         ready|=0b0000000000000100;
812         last_gps = millis();
813         if (gps.satellites.isValid()){
814             data.gps[0] = gps.satellites.value();
815         }else data.gps[0] = 0;
816
817         if (gps.location.isValid()){
818             data.gps[1] = gps.location.lat();
819
820             data.gps[2] = gps.location.lng();
821         }else {
822             data.gps[1] = 0;
823             data.gps[2] = 0;
824         }
825
826         if (gps.altitude.isValid()){
827             data.gps[3] = gps.altitude.feet();
828         }else data.gps[3] = 0;
829
830         if (gps.speed.isValid()){
831             data.gps[4] = gps.speed.mph();
832         }else data.gps[4] = 0;
833
834         if (gps.course.isValid()){
835             data.gps[5] = gps.course.deg();
836         }else data.gps[5] = 0;
837     }
838 }
839
840
841
842 void write_sd(){
843     /*
844     write_sd()
845
846     This function writes the datalogging structure to the SD card
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```
847  */
848  data.sof = 0xAAAAAAAA;
849  data.eof = 0xCCCCCCCC;
850  data.length = sizeof(data) - sizeof(data.sof) - sizeof(data.eof);
851  data.time = this_call;
852  data.ftu = ftu_state;
853  data.heat = heat_state_1;
854  uint8_t* buff = (uint8_t *) &data;
855
856  uint32_t crc = crc32c(0, buff+sizeof(data.sof), sizeof(data) - sizeof(
data.eof) - sizeof(data.crc) - sizeof(data.sof));
857
858  data.crc = crc;
859
860  log_file.open(LOGFILE_NAME, O_APPEND | O_WRITE );
861  log_file.write( buff, sizeof( data ) );
862
863  log_file.close();
864
865  memset(buff, 0, sizeof(buff));
866 }
867
868 void write_config(){
869  /*
870  write_config()
871
872  This function write to the SD card using the config data structure
873  */
874  #ifdef CONFIG_POR
875  config_file.open(CONFIG_FILE_NAME, O_CREAT | O.WRITE | O.APPEND);
876  config.sof = 0xFEFEFEFE;
877  config.eof = 0x8A8A8A8A;
878  config.length = sizeof(config);
879  config.time = this_call;
880  config.rtc_start_hour = 12;
881  config.rtc_start_min = 0;
882  config.rtc_start_sec = 0;
883
884  config.rtc_hour = rtc.getHours();
885  config.rtc_start_min = rtc.getMinutes();
886  config.rtc_start_sec = rtc.getSeconds();
887
888  config.time_to_ftu = TWO_HOURS_MS - this_call;
889  config.ftu = ftu_state;
890  config.heat = heat_state_1;
891
892  uint8_t* buff = (uint8_t *) &config;
893  uint32_t crc = crc32c(0, buff+sizeof(config.sof), sizeof(config) -
sizeof(config.eof) - sizeof(config.crc) - sizeof(config.sof));
894  config.crc = crc;
895  config_file.write( buff, sizeof( config ) );
896
897  config_file.close();
```

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898     memset(buff, 0, sizeof(config));
899     #endif
900 }
901
902 //https://stackoverflow.com/questions/27939882/fast-crc-algorithm
903 uint32_t crc32c(uint32_t crc, const unsigned char *buf, size_t len){
904     /*
905     crc32c()
906
907     This fuction calculates a CRC32 value from the given buffer
908
909     A CRC32 value is a 32-bit checksum value that will be somewhat unique to
910     a set of data
911     This can be used to ensure that a data packet is valid later
912
913     */
914     int k;
915
916     crc = ~crc;
917     while (len--) {
918         crc ^= *buf++;
919         for (k = 0; k < 8; k++)
920             crc = crc & 1 ? (crc >> 1) ^ POLY : crc >> 1;
921     }
922     return ~crc;
923 }
924
925 void update_leds(){
926     digitalWrite(LED1_PIN, HIGH); //Write Power LED High
927
928     digitalWrite(LED2_PIN,!digitalRead(LED2_PIN));
929
930     digitalWrite(LED3_PIN, HIGH); //Write Power LED High
931
932     digitalWrite(LED4_PIN,!digitalRead(LED4_PIN));
933 }
934 //End Looping Functions
935 //
936
937 //
938 //Program State Monitors
939 void panic_ftu(){
940     /*
941     panic_ftu()
942
943     This function is the interrupt assigned to the real-time clock alarm
944     After two hours have passed, it will trigger the FTU
945     */

```

```
946     ftu_state = 1;
947 }
948
949 void ftu_check(){
950     /*
951     ftu_check()
952
953     This function checks the time remaining from a millis counter, and also
954     updates the current state of the FTU trigger pin
955     */
956     if (this_call > ftu_ms_remain){
957         if (ftu_start == 0){
958             ftu_start = this_call;
959         }
960         if (this_call - ftu_start > ONE_MIN_MS){
961             ftu_state = 0;
962         }else{
963             ftu_state = 1;
964         }
965     }
966     digitalWrite(FTU_PIN, ftu_state);
967 }
968
969
970 void heat_check(){
971     /*
972     heat_check()
973
974     This function controls the heater
975
976     If in FEEDBACK_HEAT mode, it will try to drive the internal temperature
977     to TEMP_SETPOINT
978     If not in FEEDBACK_HEAT, it will be on for HEAT_TIME_ON ms and off for
979     HEAT_TIME_OFF ms
980
981     */
982     static uint8_t heater_state = 0;
983     if (this_call - last_heat > HEAT_PERIOD){
984         heater_state = (heater_state+1)%4;
985         switch (heater_state){
986             case 0:
987                 heat_state_1 = 0;
988                 heat_state_2 = 0;
989                 break;
990             case 1:
991                 heat_state_1 = 1;
992                 heat_state_2 = 0;
993                 break;
994             case 2:
995                 heat_state_1 = 0;
996                 heat_state_2 = 0;
997                 break;
998             case 3:
```



```
997     heat_state_1 = 0;
998     heat_state_2 = 1;
999     break;
1000   default:
1001     /* this should be impossible */
1002     break;
1003   }
1004   last_heat = this_call;
1005 }
1006 digitalWrite(HEAT_PIN, heat_state_1);
1007 digitalWrite(FTU_PIN, heat_state_2);
1008 }
1009
1010 //End Program State Monitors
1011 //
```

D.3 Header File

```
1 /*
2 flight_config.h
3 This file contains constants for the flight program
4 */
5
6 #ifndef __CONFIG__
7 #define __CONFIG__
8
9 //Compilation modifiers -----
10 //enables debug() macro
11 // #define SERIAL_DEBUG
12
13 //enable reset config file
14 #define CONFIG_POR
15
16 //toggles feedback heating or time based heating
17 // #define FEEDBACK_HEAT
18 //-----
19
20 //Pin Constants -----
21
22 //LEDs
23 //1 and 2 are on board, 3 and 4 are external
24 #define LED1_PIN      6
25 #define LED2_PIN      7
26 #define LED3_PIN     12
27 #define LED4_PIN     10
28
29 //SPI Chip select pins
30 #define BARO_SS_PIN   A5
31 #define SD_SS_PIN     5
32 #define MPU_SS_PIN   27
33 #define RADIO_SS_PIN 26
```

```
34
35 //Analog read pins
36 #define TMP_ADC_PIN      A1
37 #define THERM_ADC_PIN   A3
38 #define BATT_ADC_PIN    A2
39
40 //Misc pins
41 #define FTU_PIN         38
42 #define HEAT_PIN        2
43 #define TMP_NSHDN       9
44 #define RADIO_INT       A0
45 //-----
46
47 //Generic RTC starting time if no config -----
48 #define NOW_HOURS        12
49 #define NOW_MINUTES      00
50 #define NOW_SECONDS      00
51 #define NOW_DAY          24
52 #define NOW_MONTH        02
53 #define NOW_YEAR         18
54 //-----
55
56 //Serial Objects -----
57 #define GPS_SERIAL       Serial
58 #define TRACKUINO_SERIAL Serial1
59 //-----
60
61 //Max SPI Clock Speeds -----
62 #define MPU_SPI_CLOCK    24000000
63 #define SD_SPI_CLOCK     24000000
64 #define BARO_SPI_CLOCK   20000000
65 #define RADIO_SPI_CLOCK  24000000
66 //-----
67
68 //Sensor Sample Rates -----
69 #define MPU_SAMPLE_RATE  100 //Hz
70 #define MPU_SAMPLE_PERIOD 10 //ms
71
72 #define HUMID_SAMPLE_RATE 5
73 #define TMP_SAMPLE_RATE   5
74 #define THERM_SAMPLE_RATE 5
75 #define BARO_SAMPLE_RATE  5
76 #define BATT_SAMPLE_RATE  5
77
78 #define SLOW_SAMPLE_RATE  5
79 #define SLOW_SAMPLE_PERIOD 200 //ms
80 //-----
81
82 //Keep typing convention constant
83 #define float32_t          float
84 #define float64_t         double
85
86
```

```
87 //Barometer Control Constants -----
88 #define BARO_R          0x1E
89
90 #define BARO_CONVERT_D1  0x48
91 #define BARO_CONVERT_D2  0x58
92
93 #define BARO_ADC_READ     0x00
94 #define BARO_PROM_READ   0b10100000
95 //-----
96
97 //Logging and config constants -----
98 //Sets of flags that trigger log
99 #define READY_TO_LOG     0b00000000000000111
100 //Logging file name
101 #define LOGFILE_NAME     "blog0.dat"
102 //Config file name
103 #define CONFIG_FILE_NAME "config.dat"
104 //-----
105
106 //Analog read sensor constants -----
107 //Analog power rail voltage
108 #define VDDANA           3.3F
109 //Twelve bit ADC resolution
110 #define MAX_RES          4095
111 //Thermistor Constants
112 #define R_THERM_NOM      10000.0F
113 #define R_1              100000.0F
114 #define BETA             3950.0F
115 #define TEMP_NOM         298.15F
116 #define R_INF            0.017632269789291F
117 //-----
118
119 //CRC determination constant -----
120
121 /* CRC-32C (iSCSI) polynomial in reversed bit order. */
122 #define POLY              0x82f63b78
123
124 /* CRC-32 (Ethernet, ZIP, etc.) polynomial in reversed bit order. */
125 /* #define POLY 0xedb88320 */
126
127 //-----
128
129 //FTU and Heater Constants -----
130 #define TWO_HOURS_MS     7.2e+6 //ms
131 #define FIVE_MIN_MS      3e5    //ms
132 #define ONE_MIN_MS       60000  //ms
133
134 #define TEMP_SETPOINT     25.0F  //deg C
135 #define HEAT_TIME_ON     30000  //ms
136 #define HEAT_TIME_OFF    30000  //ms
137 #define HEAT_PERIOD      15000  //ms
138 //-----
139
```

```
140 //Structures -----
141 //Structure to organize data to write to SD card
142 typedef struct data_to_log{
143     uint32_t sof;
144     uint32_t length;
145
146     uint32_t time;
147
148     //ax, ay, az (g), gx, gy, gz (deg/s), mx, my, mz (uT), time (ms)
149     float32_t mpu[10][MPU_SAMPLE_RATE];
150     float32_t humid;
151     float32_t tmp;
152     float32_t therm;
153     float32_t baro;
154     float32_t batt;
155     //sat, lat, long, alt (feet), vel (mph), cse (deg)
156     float32_t gps [6];
157
158     uint32_t ftu;
159     uint32_t heat;
160
161     uint32_t crc;
162     uint32_t eof;
163 };
164
165 //Structure to organize data to write to reboot log file
166 typedef struct config_log{
167     uint32_t sof;
168     uint32_t length;
169
170     uint32_t time;
171
172
173     uint32_t rtc_start_hour;
174     uint32_t rtc_start_min;
175     uint32_t rtc_start_sec;
176
177     uint32_t rtc_hour;
178     uint32_t rtc_min;
179     uint32_t rtc_sec;
180
181     uint32_t time_to_ftu;
182
183     uint32_t ftu;
184     uint32_t heat;
185
186     uint32_t crc;
187     uint32_t eof;
188 };
189 #endif
190 //-----
```

D.4 FTU Code

```
1 #include "flight_config.h"
2
3 uint32_t ftu_state = 0;
4 uint32_t this_call;
5 uint32_t last_call;
6 uint32_t last_ftu;
7 uint32_t last_config;
8
9 uint32_t ftu_start = 0;
10
11 uint32_t ftu_ms_remain = TWO_HOURS_MS; //Two Hours ms
12
13 //uint32_t ftu_ms_remain = 10000; //Two Hours ms
14
15 void init_ftu();
16
17 void setup() {
18     // put your setup code here, to run once:
19     init_ftu();
20     last_call = millis();
21     last_ftu = last_call;
22 }
23
24 void loop() {
25     // put your main code here, to run repeatedly:
26     this_call = millis(); //Gets current time
27     if ((this_call - last_ftu) > 100){
28         last_ftu = this_call;
29         ftu_check();
30     }
31 }
32
33
34 void init_ftu(){
35     /*
36     init_ftu()
37     This function sets pin direction for the FTU FET
38     */
39     pinMode(FTU_PIN, OUTPUT);
40     digitalWrite(FTU_PIN, LOW);
41 }
42
43 void ftu_check(){
44     /*
45     ftu_check()
46
47     This function checks the time remaining from a millis counter, and also
48     updates the current state of the FTU trigger pin
49     */
50     if (this_call > ftu_ms_remain){
51         if (ftu_start == 0){
```

```
52     ftu_start = this_call;
53     }
54     if (this_call - ftu_start > 2*ONE_MIN_MS){
55         ftu_state = 0;
56     }else{
57         ftu_state = 1;
58     }
59     }
60
61     digitalWrite(FTU_PIN, ftu_state);
62 }
```