The Sky's the Limit

Big Data, Drones, and the Internet of Things

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DRONES! (AKA - UAS)



What is an UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (UAV)?

UAV = the aircraft

FIXED WING VS MULTI-ROTOR

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Projects	Mapping	Small area mapping & inspection	
Applications	Land surveying (rural), agriculture, GIS, mining, environmental mgt, construction, humanitarian	Inspection, cinematography/ videography, real estate, surveying (urban), construction, emergency response, law enforcement	
Cruising speed	High	Low	
Coverage	Large	Small	
Object resolution	cm/inch per pixel	mm per pixel	
Take-off/landing area	Large	Very small	
Flight times & wind resistance	High	Low	



C senseFly 2015

What are UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS (UAS)?

- UAV (is the aircraft)
- Ground control
- Communications equipment





What is the INTERNET OF THINGS (IoT)?

- IoT The network of everyday objects that can send and receive data
- A UAV is part of the IoT. So is a cell phone or handheld GPS device.



What are some types of PAYLOADS used in urban planning work?

- Payload the physical load carried by a UAV
- Payload Capacity the amount of weight that a UAV can carry



How to fly UAVs legally

- Hobbyist
 - Cannot fly commercially
 - FAA Section 336 register UAV
 over 0.55 lbs (\$5)
- Commercial UAV pilot
 - Classes are available, usually about \$200 or less
 - \circ Register for FAA Part 107
 - Test requires about 2 weeks of prep + FAA \$ fee

FAA UAS website:

www.faa.gov/uas



Source: www.skyward.io



How to fly UAVs legally

For Info on Where You Can Fly:

www.faa.gov/uas/where_to_fly/

- All UAV pilots:
 - Cannot go Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS)
 - Cannot fly directly over people
 - Cannot fly at night
 - Cannot fly near airports, hospitals, over schools, or police and fire
 - \circ $\ ...$ or just forget everything and apply for a waiver



Source: GAO www.gao.gov/assets/680/671469.pdf

How to fly UAVs legally

- Part 107 Waiver
 - Waivers must be specific
 - Submit through FAA DroneZone Portal
 - FAA response in 90 days
 - First responders may receive expedited
 - List of granted waivers on FAA site
- Public sector COA
 - Two Types blanket and jurisdictional
 - $\circ~$ Cert. of Authorization
 - Issued for specific activities
 - FAA response in 60 days
 - \circ Good for 2 years

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Source: www.faa.gov

Privacy Rights & Ethics

The national airspace is a federal jurisdiction.

Legally, no one can tell you not to fly.

Obey local police, security, and/or landowner anyway.

Federal law

- Prohibits sharing or divulging of public info w/o the prior consent of concerned public
- Strict adherence to cyber security protocols

Michigan Law

- No hunting with a drone (sorry)
- No bothering a hunter with a drone
- No bothering people with a drone
- No infringing on people's privacy



Source: www.newsok.com

Privacy Rights & Ethics

Aerial imagery best practices

- 1. Block it out if unsure
- 2. Always block/blur people and license plates
- 3. What about private street addresses?



Source: Google maps

If you're not sure - general rules of thumb

- 1. Consult legal council
- 2. When practical, inform the public in advance of a flight or flight series
- 3. Securely store the data you've collected
- 4. Don't share collected data without permission

What we will do, how we'll do it



UAS & Data Analytics Applications

parking



brownfield remediation



Source: Jackisch, et. al., 2018.

disaster response



air pollution



UAS & Data Analytics Applications

coastal erosion



water analysis



Source: The Environmental Monitor

heat island/energy loss



urban tree canopies



Case study 1 AECOM, Old Oak Common, London, 2016

Problem - Gather site data for 10,000 home / 8,000 job multimodal development in only 2 days

Solution - 3,000 pics captured at 100-130 ft in 6 hrs by DJI Mavick UAVs

Deliverables - Fully BIM (Building Info Modeling) compliant 3D model compatible with BIM software such as Revit

Useful Tidbits - Traditional data collection would have taken 8 weeks



Case study 2 Esi Consulting/Stantec, UK, 2016

Problem - Need accurate estimates of site size, area features and measure the amount of material to be treated.

Solution - Combine UAS with radar and multispectral remote sensing and vegetation mapping with GIS to create a data rich analysis and map of high problem areas on site.

Deliverables - 3D interactive topographic map and radar and vegetation map.

Useful Tidbit - Able to map problem spots and predict problem areas and viability of the site before comprehensive in-situ analysis.





Photogrammetry software applications



Orthomosaics

A quilt of aerial photos stitched together



"Just imagine if a city could reclaim a third of its land. Imagine the new homes and apartments that could take their place. Imagine all the new schools and playgrounds and parks and bike paths."

Andrew Salzberg, Head of Transportation Policy and Research, Uber



Thank you.

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