

Thermal Screening UAV for Solar Panels and Electric Towers

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Abstract: *These days, enormous windmills, solar panels, heating towers, and power plants are frequently situated in isolated locations and may experience heating problems. The operator must climb to these high places and search for heating problems to identify these problems. Therefore, there is a risk to life. Sending numerous crews with protective gear to various towers and panels comes at a considerable cost. It takes a great deal of time to climb each tower and carefully inspect for problems. Therefore, we suggest a replacement solution that uses a thermal screening drone to quickly and efficiently check for heating problems. To ensure extended range control during flying, the drone is equipped with a controller. The thermal sensor can have a limited resolution and be unable to detect problems with thermal heating from things that are close together. Using a raspberry pi, the thermal sensor footage is captured for subsequent review. As a result, the thermal screening procedure is automated and made safer by the drone. We will facilitate the process and assist industries in taking more care of safety to prevent mishaps in this way*

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I. INTRODUCTION

There is a lot of potential for a vehicle like a drone or quadcopter to do tasks. Things are hazardous or extremely expensive for people. Examples include search and rescue missions, humanitarian endeavors, and the examination of tall buildings. One particular kind of drone is the quadcopter is growing in popularity these days. Professional quadcopters are frequently observed filming events or parties in order to use the footage for surveillance or advertising purposes. Usually, the quadcopter is in free flight in these circumstances. Quadcopters do not cooperate or interact with environment. The possibilities increase significantly if you are able to work with others. For example, by sharing data, a group of drones may effectively and independently search a vast region for a missing person.

Drones might potentially carry out a wide range of jobs that humans are unable to do, such as rescue operations and high-altitude monitoring in various industries. Four motorized propellers on a drone (quadcopter) provide the thrust necessary to raise the aircraft. Another name for a drone is a quadcopter. The basic idea of a quadcopter is that when two engines rotate clockwise, the other two rotate counter clockwise, allowing the aircraft to take off vertically. We will stream live and take pictures while using a camera to aid with the flight. Non-invasive, radiation-free thermal screening and scanning detect and analyze skin temperature patterns as indicators of human health. using infrared and thermal energy, thermal imaging may be a technique for gathering data about objects—even in low-light conditions in order to create photos of them. Over time, this particular technology has amassed a wide range of applications.

II. METHODOLOGY

Choosing and assembling the parts needed to build a drone, such as the flight controller, frame, and bldc motor.

Calculation of various forces to calculate engine speed, engine thrust, engine torque, voltage required for motor operation, security considerations, coding etc.

Choosing the right parts for a thermal screening drone is essential since they support the drone's ability to carry its weight and ascend into the air. The flight controller is also referred to as the drone's brain since it controls all of its motions and gives the aircraft stability.

Calculating the drone's size based on its intended use, analysis, and 3d software design.

Creating a part drawing with every tiny detail and submitting it to the manufacturer to ensure the highest level of perfection in the finished product.

Ultimately, producing or assembling and gathering parts.

III. Objectives

- To identify any thermal problems with antennas, windmills, and solar panels.
- To shorten the time needed to inspect solar panels.
- To lessen labourers' burdens and preserve their lives.
- To prolong the life of solar panels.

IV. NEED OF PROJECT

- Solar panels, power towers and large wind turbines are often located in remote areas and often have heating problems. To identify these problems, the user must climb into these high rooms and check for heating problems.
- Climbing each tower/panel and manually checking for issues takes a lot of time.
- There is a danger to life.
- Sending multiple security teams to so many towers and panels is expensive.
- It is a very long process involving many manual steps that can lead to human error due to the huge amount of testing in remote locations.

V. THEME OF PROJECT

Unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) equipped with various sensors and a thermal camera specially designed to collect infrared radiation emitted by various objects. They transmit real-time images or videos showing the temperature distribution of objects.

VI. COMPONENTS FUNCTIONS AND SPECIFICATION

BLDC Motor:



Fig. 1. BLDC Motor

An inverter generates ac to power each phase of a dc synchronous motor, often referred to as brushless or ec motors. A closed-loop controller through a motor. The motor windings receive current pulses from the controller, which regulate the motor's speed and torque. Blde motors are rated in kv, meaning that for every 1 kv of power, they will rotate at 1000 rpm. Depending on the kv rating, each blde motor can provide 750g thrust. This selection uses the kv value of the motors.

DJI NAZA M Lite Processor:



Fig. 2. DJI NAZA M Lite Processor

The outstanding stability and dependability of the naza m flight controller are carried over into the more straightforward dji naza-m lite processor. The all-in-one design of the naza m lite controller saves weight and space while facilitating simple installation. This little flying controller has a barometer, a 3-axis accelerometer, a 3-axis gyroscope, and inner damping. Naza m lite measures flight altitude and attitude to provide autopilot or autopilot to maintain altitude. Gps provides a position keeping feature available on the naza m v2 and dji wookong m flight controllers.

Flysky FS-i6S Remote Control Transmitter with Receiver



Fig. 3. Flysky FS-i6S Remote Control Transmitter with Receiver

Flysky fs-i6s rc transmitter and fs ia10b receiver form a 10-channel digital proportional system. Flysky transmitter and receiver's unique design and compatibility with high-end drones are the reasons behind its growing popularity.

Raspberry Pi 4 Model-B



Fig. 4. Raspberry Pi 4 Model-B

The latest model in the raspberry pi series, the raspberry pi 4 features an advanced 64-bit quad-core processor with a built-in metal cooler operating at 1.4ghz, three USB ports and dual-band wireless lan operating at 2.4ghz and 5ghz, faster. (300 mbps) ethernet and the ability to use poe with an additional poe hat.

The pi 4 b is equipped with the latest high-performance quad-core 64-bit broadcom 2711, cortex a72 processor clocked at 1.5 Ghz. It should offer 90% more performance or 20% less power than its predecessor. For the pi 4, the hardware upgrade was designed to improve speed in several areas, including connectivity (802.11 b/g/n/ac wireless lan, dual band 2.4Ghz and 5Ghz, poe functionality via a dedicated poe hat, and charging. Times for all new 1 Gb/ 2 Gb and 4 Gb LPDDR 4 SD RAM variants. In addition, USB 3.0 offers ten times the transfer speed of USB 2.0, giving you a truly gigabit internet experience much faster.

Thermal Imaging Camera AMG8833

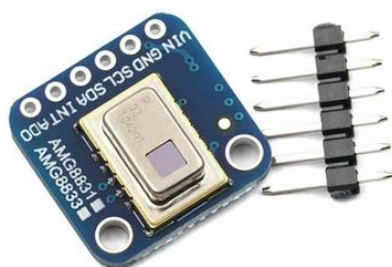


Fig. 5. Thermal Imaging Camera AMG8833

With an accuracy of $\pm 2.5^{\circ}\text{C}$ (4.5°F), the amg8833 ir 8*8 thermal imager array thermal sensor module can measure temperatures from 0°C to 80°C (32°F to 176°F). Up to 7 meters (23 feet) is the maximum distance it can detect a person. Its maximum frame rate of 10 Hz makes it ideal for building your own small thermal camera or human detector. We have code to use this interrupt with python or arduino or similarly with raspberry pi (the sensor communicates via i2c. Using the scipy python package for image processing, we were able to interpolate the pi's 8x8 grid and get pretty good results.

Orange 11.1V 2200mAh Lithium Polymer Battery Pack



Fig. 6. Polymer Battery Pack

The lithium polymer 2200mah orange 3s 30c/60c battery is known for reliability and performance. It can be used in fitness equipment, drones, and multi-rotor systems, offering top-notch performance at an affordable price with strong discharge cables for high current loads.

VII. BLOCK DIAGRAM

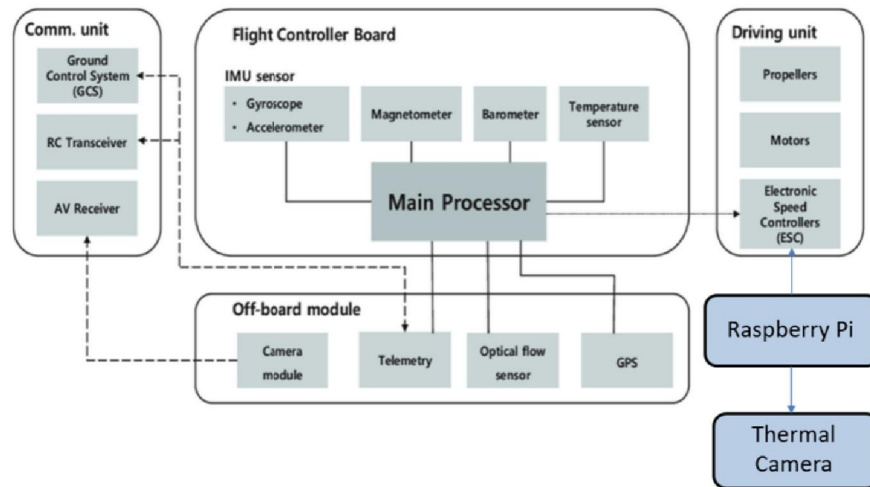


Fig. 7. Block Diagram

VIII. CONCLUSION

Our UAV (drone) is extremely affordable, highly durable, and easy to operate. To provide long-range control and facilitate flight, the drone is equipped with a controller. It uses the RF transmitter and receiver frequency to send and receive commands from the user's RC remote control. It will become self-contained and its thermal image will have a much larger scope and will be tested and adjusted more.

Achieving the goal of creating a thermal screening UAV is the first goal of the thermal screening drone and second is a cheaper in cost, better thermal imaging.

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