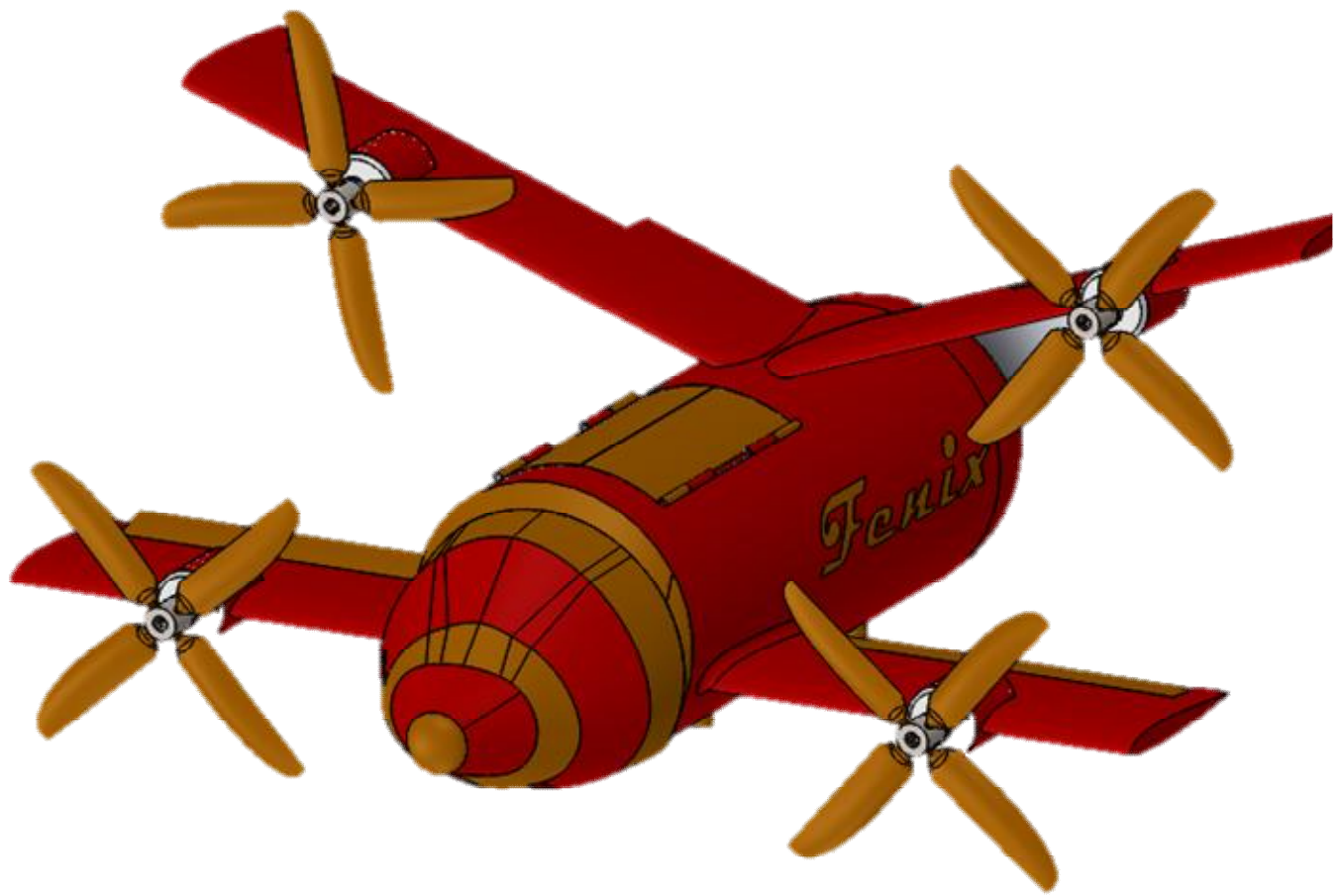


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## Presents

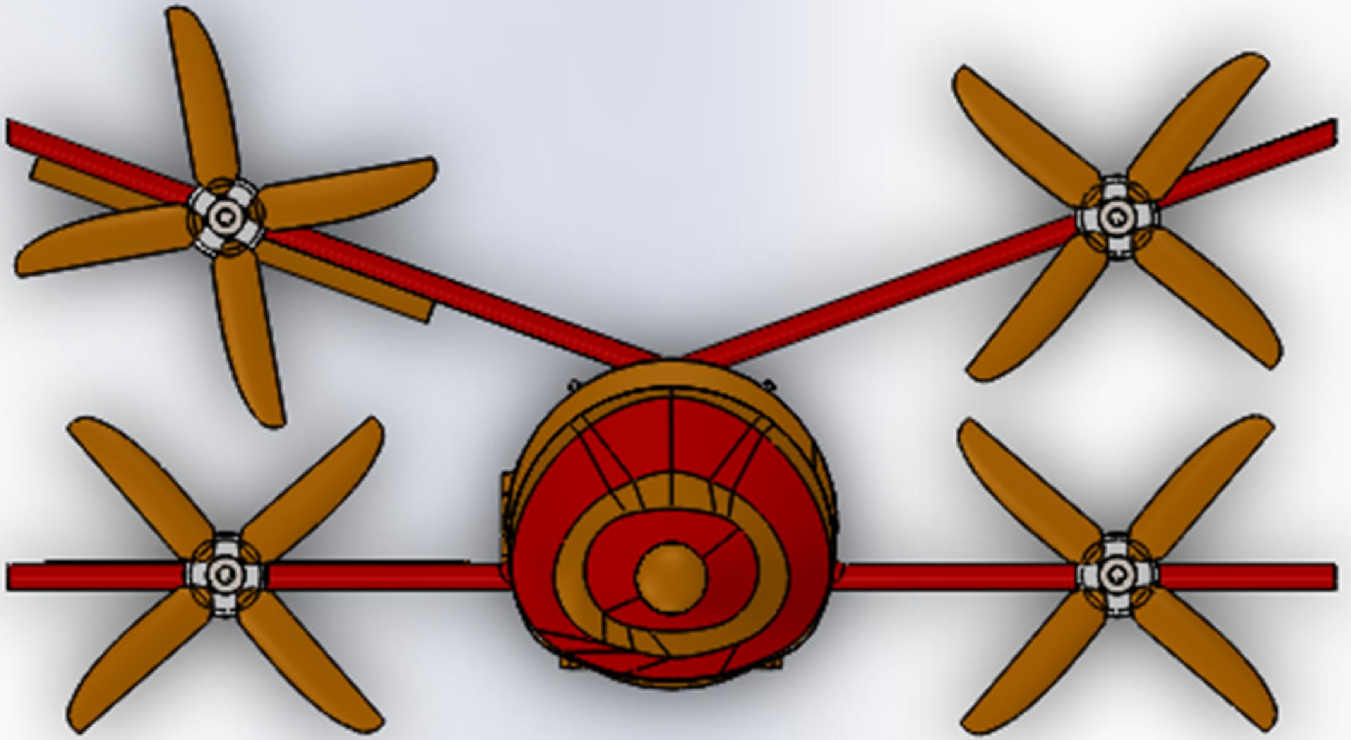
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A fleet of 9 UAVs for high altitude disaster relief

### Market opportunities:

- Fast deliveries for commercial and medical purposes
- Inaccessible regions delivery
- Aerial fire-fighting





### Fully tilting vehicles:

- easy conversion of configuration

### Fleet of 9 drones:

- flexibility
- mission fulfilment
- storage and handling capabilities



REQUIREMENTS	ACTIONS
Minimum payload of 500 lb [226.8 kg]	- <b>9 drones</b> each carrying a minimum payload of 56.4 lb [25.6 kg]
Rotorcraft to be stored in the cargo hold for C-130J	- Wingspan [2.62m], Height [1.43m], Length [1.80m]
Deployment from C-130J	- Rotorcraft capability to be launched and stabilized at the specified conditions - <b>Quick activation after launch</b> , due to the choice of electrical engines and low inertia rotors
Deliver from precision no wind hover	- Ability to <b>change configuration</b> - 4 non-aligned rotors for hovering control - <b>High altitude</b> design of rotors - <b>Controlled deployment</b> of payload
Return to base flight	- Capacity to fly <b>as an aircraft</b> - Cruise speed about 42 m/s - <b>Litium-Sulfure batteries</b> for 50 nm [92.6 km] range
Affordability, reliability, maintainability	- <b>Simplicity</b> : no folding devices - Reliable materials and technologies

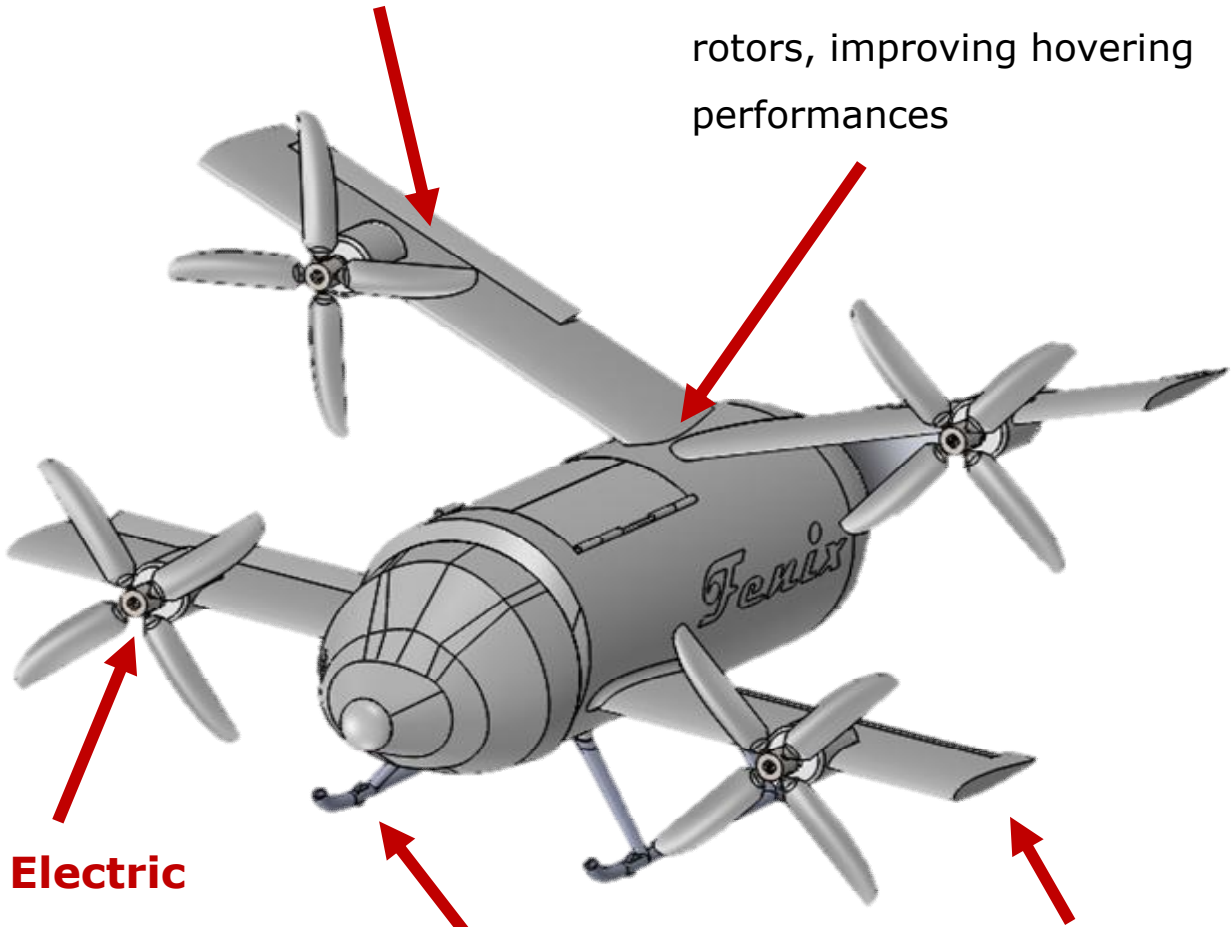


### **4 Ailerons:**

- Improved controllability

### **Rear wing dihedral angle:**

- increased distance between rotors, improving hovering performances



### **Electric**

### **propellers:**

- Easy control both in pitch and RPM

### **Skids:**

- Landing in semi-prepared terrains
- Low weight

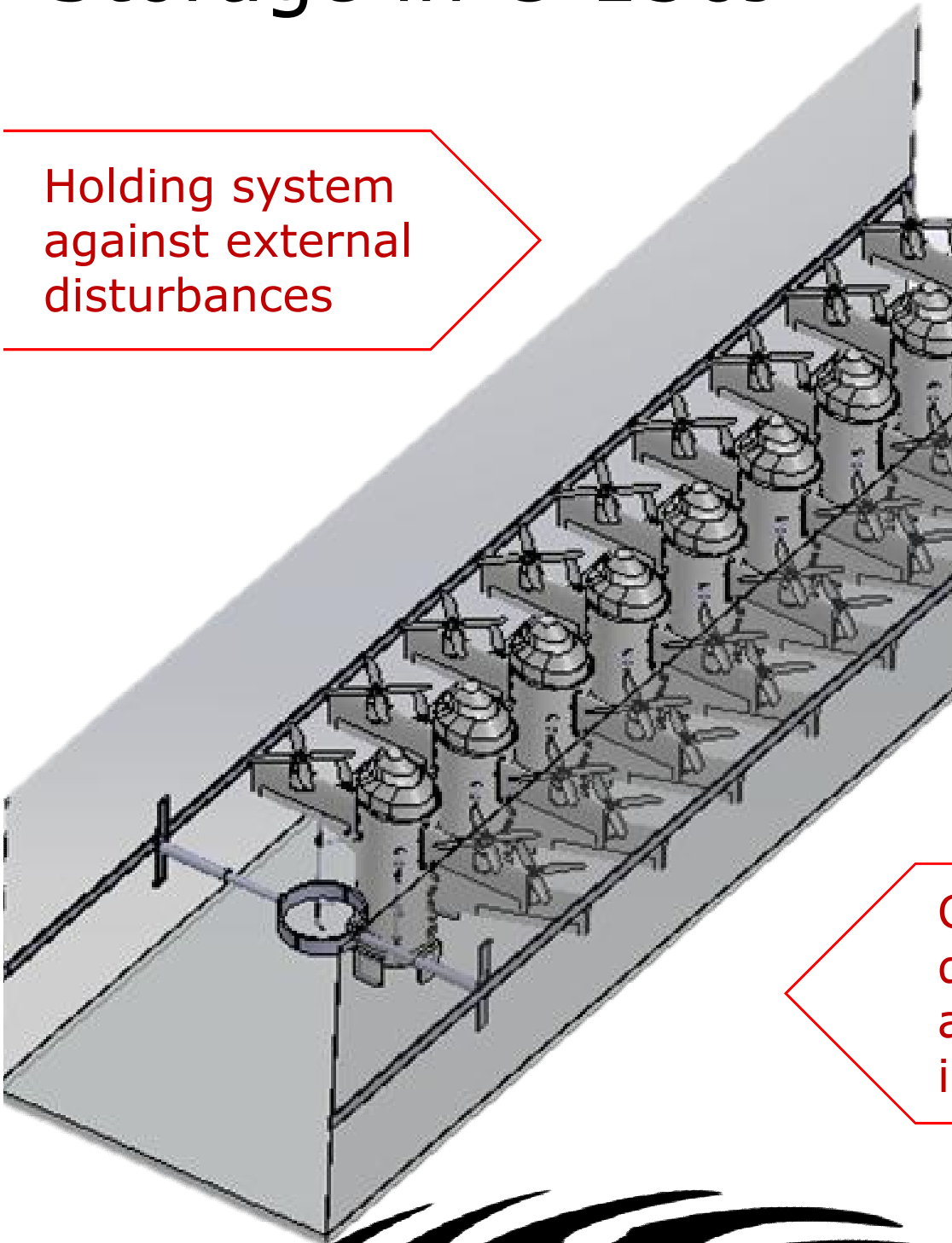
### **Double wing:**

- Reduced wing span
- non-aligned rotors



# Storage in C-130J

Holding system  
against external  
disturbances

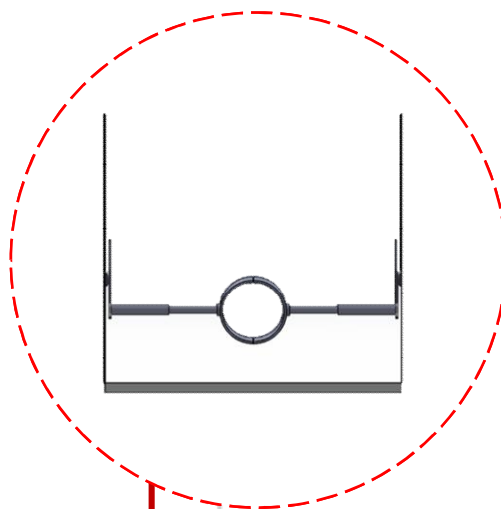


Clearance  
distance to  
avoid  
interaction

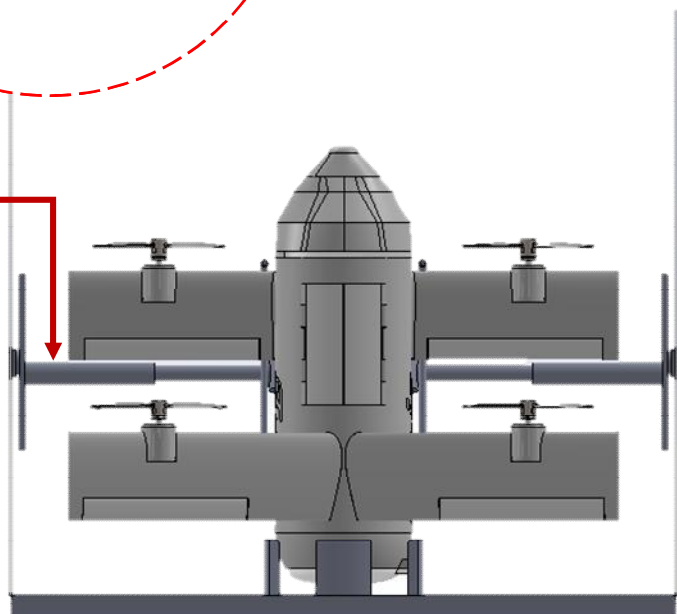


# Deployment from C-130J

Automatic system



On-board computer for stabilization and engines ignition



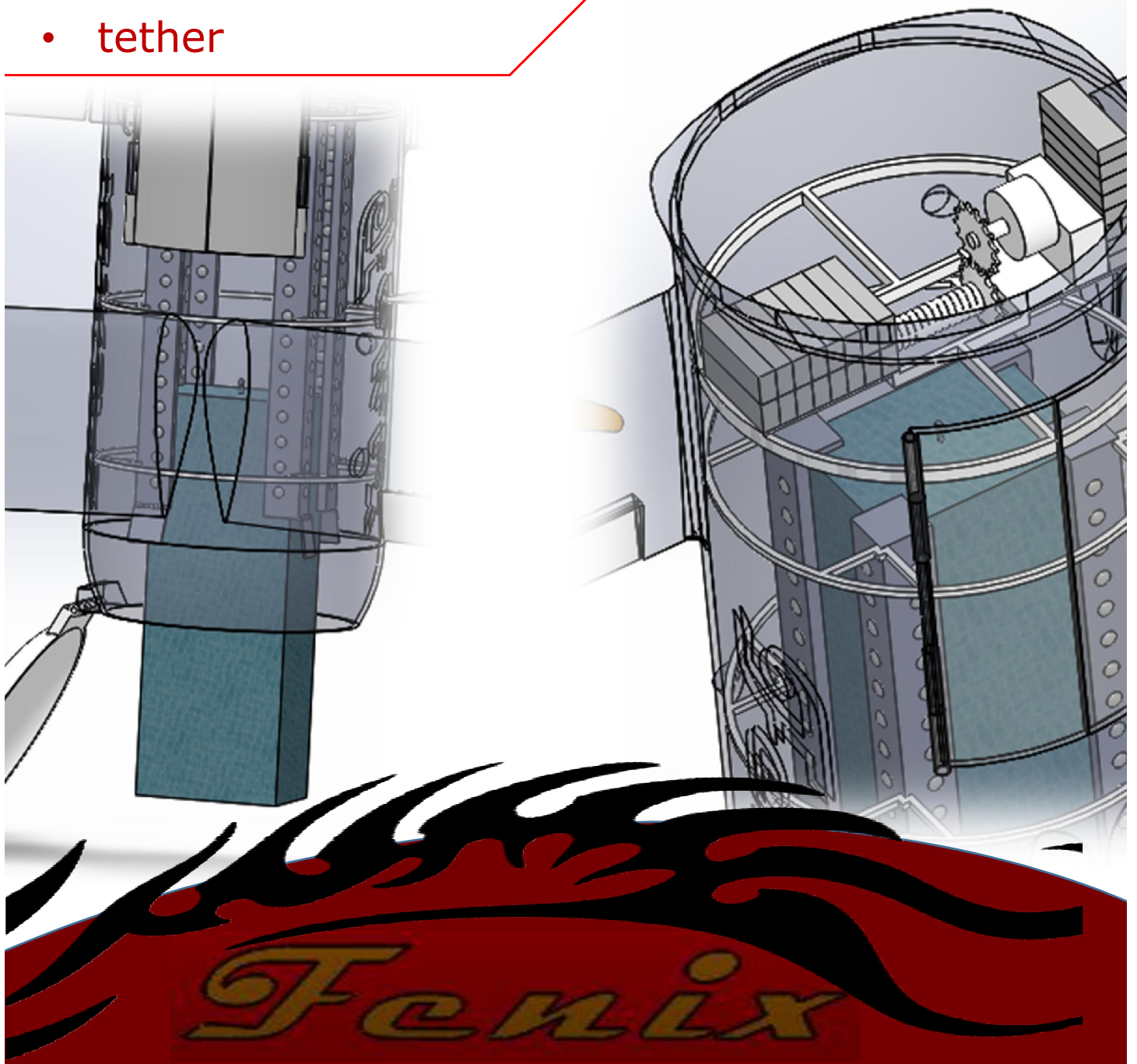
Aircraft configuration to reach the target area



# Payload deployment

- stepper motor & gear assembly
- spindle
- tether

Controlled delivery  
in hovering

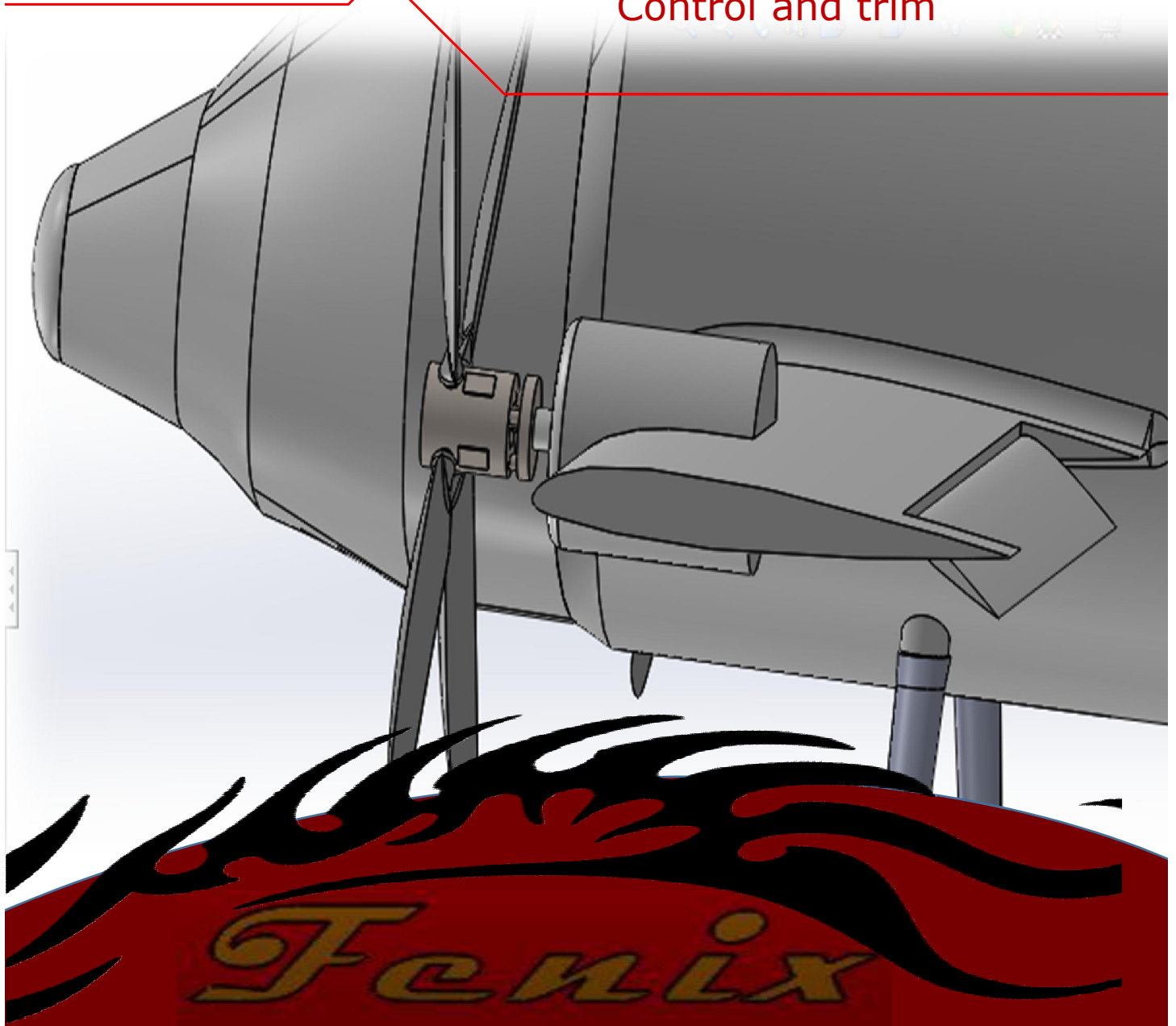


# Forward Flight back to base

Ailerons and differential thrust for

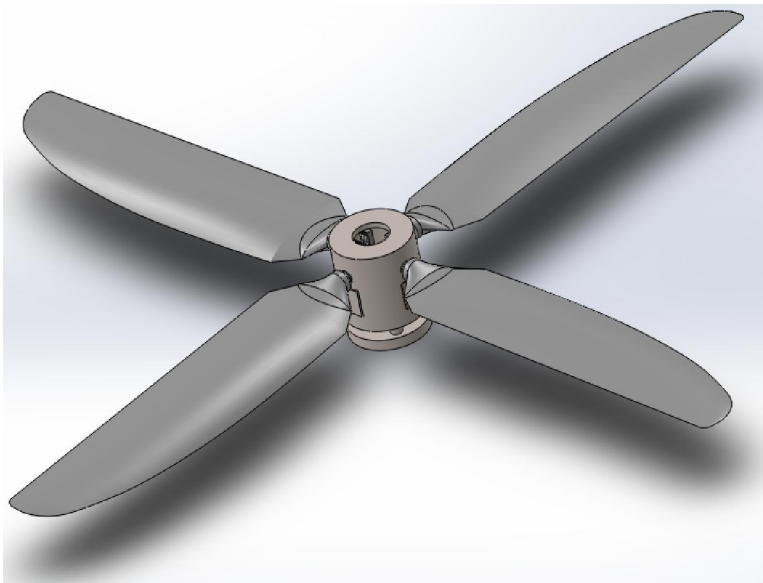
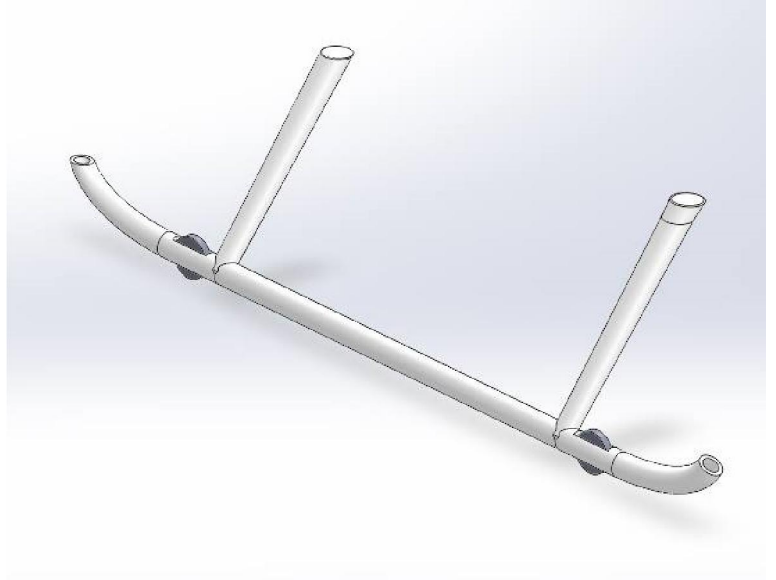
Change of configuration and maneuvering

Control and trim



# Landing

Designed for  
semi-prepared  
terrain landing



Propeller for  
air-braking



# Propeller

Number of blades:  $N_b = 4$

Radius:  $R = 1.312 \text{ ft}$  (0.4 m)

Chord:  $c = 2.76 \text{ in}$  (0.07 m)

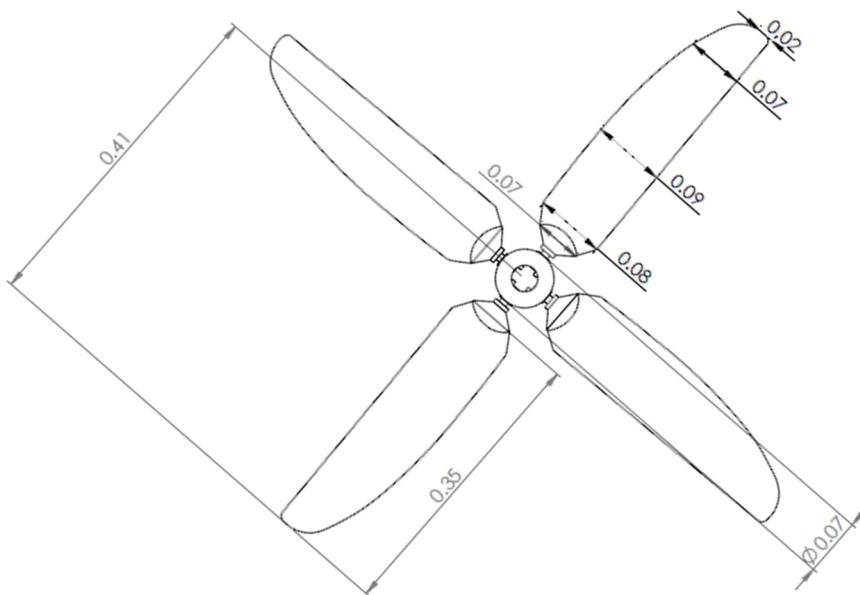
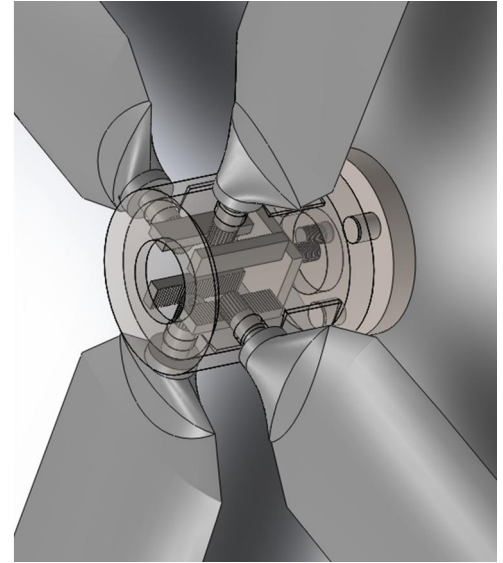
Solidity:  $\sigma = 0.22$

Root-cut-out = 17.5% of  $R$

Linear twist slope:  $\theta_{\text{twist}} = -3.05 \text{ deg/ft}$  (-10 deg/m)

Pitch angle range:  $\theta_0 = 2 - 30 \text{ deg}$

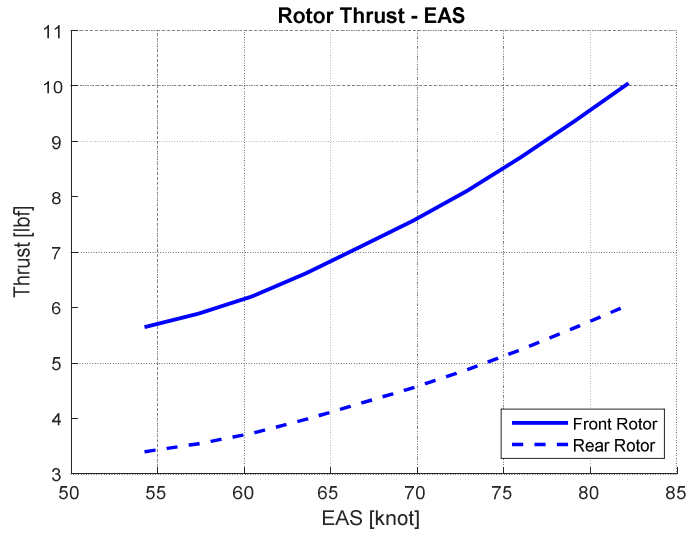
Angular velocity range: RPM = 4000 - 6000



# Trim:

- Differential thrust
- Ailerons deflection

## Forward flight



Ailerons deflection in opposite directions for **pitch control**

## Hovering

Ailerons deflection to **compensate the lift**

$T_1$	85.49 lbf
$T_2$	38.67 lbf



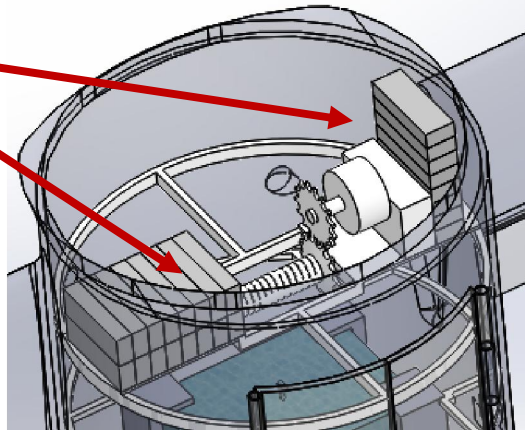


## Power system



Name of Component	Weight [lb] ([kg])
4 x JM1 Electric Motor	24.25 (11)
8 x Jeti Spin Pro 300	6.349 (2.88)
24 x Li-S 6600 mAh Batteries	33.863 (15.36)
Electronics & sensors	4.409 (2)
<b>Total Weight</b>	<b>68.872 (31.24)</b>

Batteries located  
in the nose



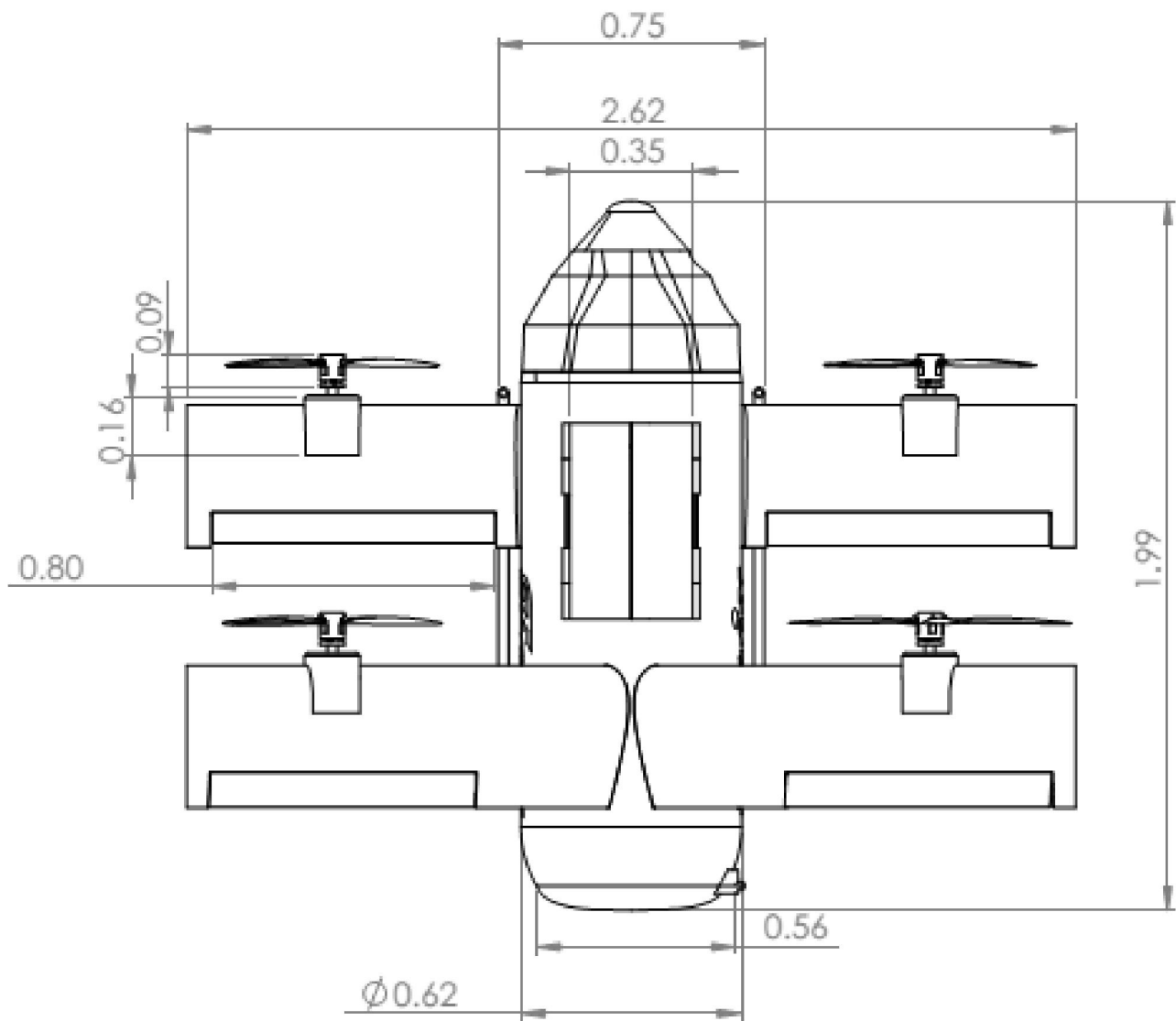
# Final weight breakdown

	Individual Weight [lbs]	No. of components	Total weight [lbs]
<b>Wings</b>	8.82	4	35.27
<b>Ailerons</b>	1.10	4	4.41
<b>Fuselage</b>	30.86	1	30.86
<b>Blades</b>	1.19	16	19.05
<b>Hub</b>	1.65	4	6.61
<b>Motor</b>	8.14	4	32.54
<b>Battery</b>	1.41	24	33.86
<b>Payload</b>	56.44	1	56.44
<b>Skids</b>	2.34	2	4.67
<b>Extras</b>			24.56

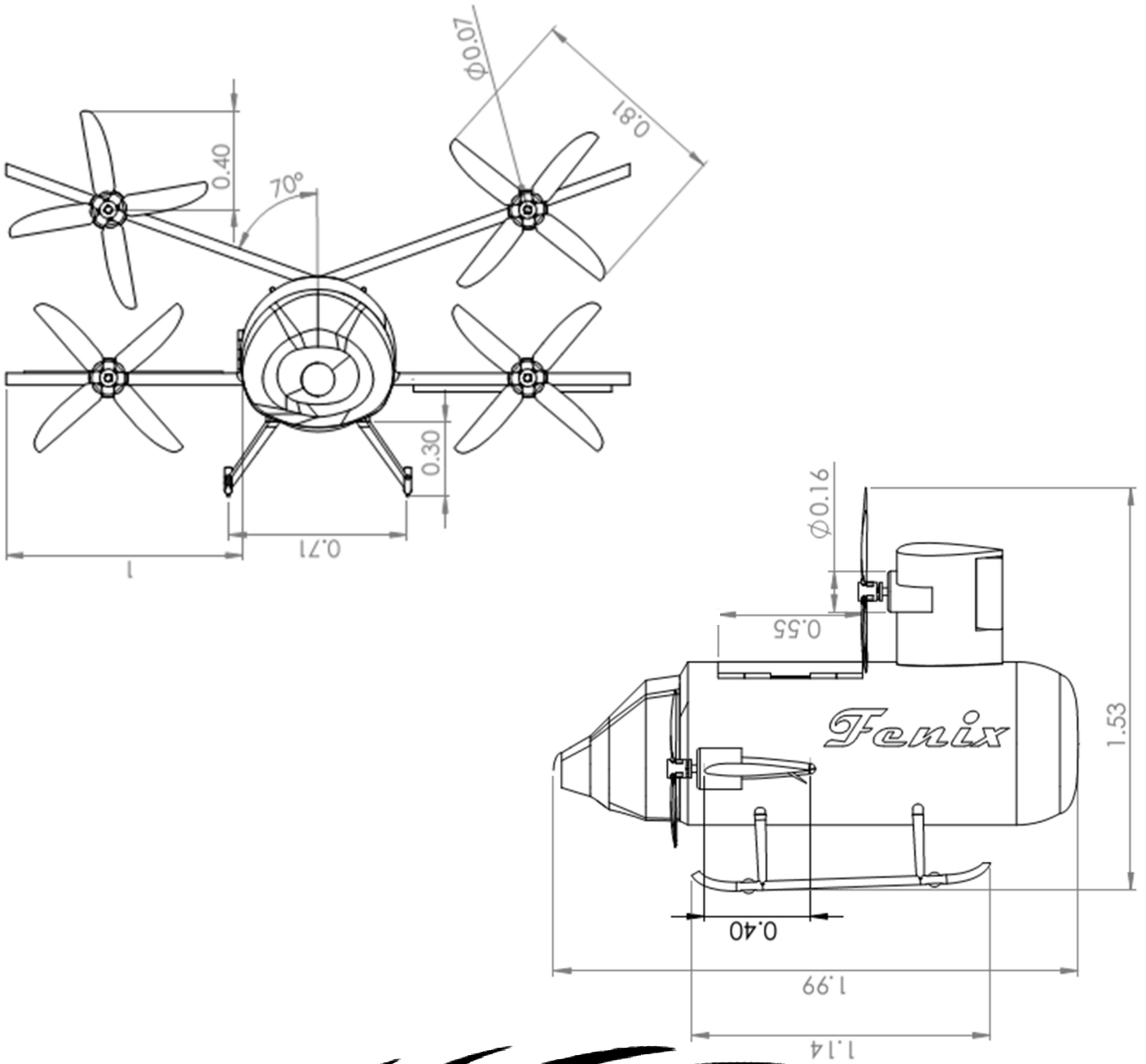
**Total weight**                      **[lbs]**                      **[kg]**  
248.28                                      112.62

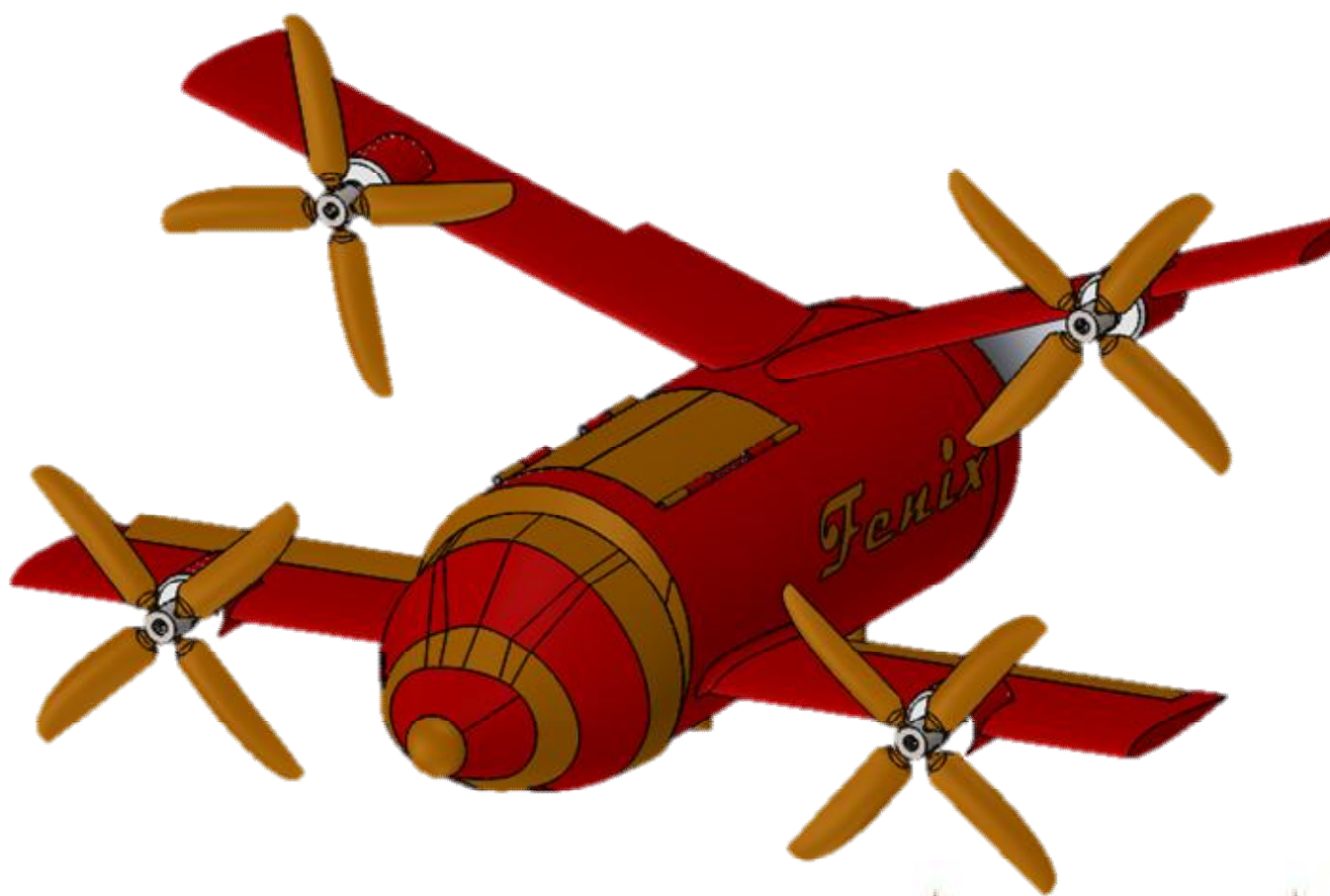


# Final sizing



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