

CloudStation

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Background

- Problems addressed:
- Limited control range of ground control stations on the market
- High cost of connecting several drones to the same ground control station
- High cost and difficulty of setting up a system where multiple operators can control the drone at the same time from different locations
- A good solution because:
- Easily scalable, it can easily control large number of drones at the same time
- o Infinite control range
- High availability & Portability
- o Low cost

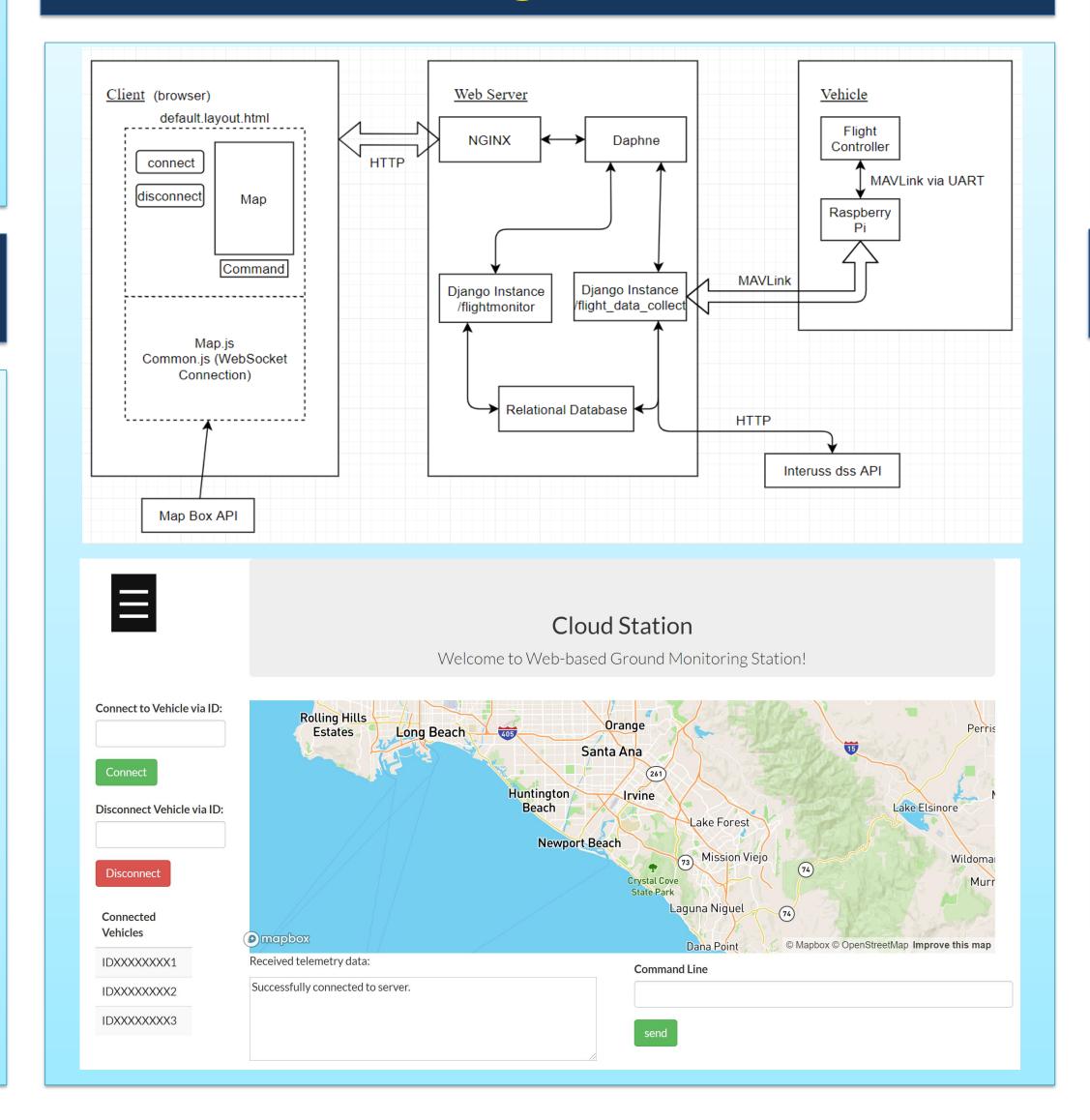
Future work

- Improve front-end UI and add security features
- Ability to control vehicle motion remotely
- Make vehicle drive to destination location autonomously
- Allow user registration on UI
- Write documentation and setup for public users
- Testing and deployment for free public use
- Finish scholarly paper

Project Goal

Have a cloud-deployed, functioning telemetry tracking of an unmanned vehicle and controlling it in waypoint mode through a web-app deployed on AWS. In the end, our goal is to fully deploy the CloudStation app and demo it on a vehicle across the globe.

Diagrams



Accomplishments

- Open-sourced existing code
- Deployed on AWS
- Made back-end more robust and design for high availability
- Setup hardware to send and receive vehicle MAVLink packages
- Built front-end:
 - Track location of the unmanned vehicles and display it on a map
- Display vehicle orientation and speed information
- Have support to monitor multiple drones
- o Implement user logging in and credentials

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