

Thesis Project : Model development or improvement of the electrical network of an electric vertical takeoff and landing aircraft (eVTOL)

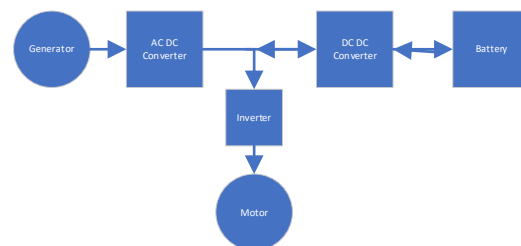
The thesis can be written in German or English.

Anmerkung (Deutsch): Diese Bachelor/Masterarbeit eignet sich besonders für Studierende der Elektrotechnik, Energietechnik, Leistungselektronik und der erneuerbaren Energien, die sich für die Elektrifizierung von Flugzeugen interessieren.

Note: This bachelor/Master thesis is especially suitable for students from the field of electrical engineering, power systems engineering, power electronics, and renewable energy engineering students who are interested in working in projects related to the electrification of aircrafts.

Background

Urban Air Mobility (UAM) shows great potential for passenger or cargo air transportation within urban or metropolitan areas. The utilization of electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) aircraft is suitable for zero emission and noise free urban air transportation. Companies and researchers are working to develop safe and reliable UAM solutions. In the project ETHAN, which stands for 'Secure and reliable electric and thermal networks for hybrid-electric propulsion systems' in German, we are working with industry partners like Rolls-Royce Electrical and other Universities to develop environmentally friendly and secure electrical and hybrid electrical propulsion systems for eVTOLs and smaller aircraft with 19 passengers capacity.



Electric Vertical Take-Off and Landing aircraft (eVTOL)

Source : <https://www.hispaviacion.es/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Vertical-Aerospace-VA-X4-1.jpg>

eVTOL simplified sample Electrical network

Tasks:

- Develop a new electrical model in Matlab or software of choice based on input parameters from Rolls-Royce Electrical, or improve the model that have been developed so far at TU Braunschweig using Matlab /Simscape.
- Generate simulations for multiple mission profiles.
- Prepare the electrical network model developed for real time simulations and hardware-in-the-Loop test.

Desired competences:

- Modelling of electrical and power electronic systems
- Modelling and Programming skills in Matlab
- Knowledge of real time simulations

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