

# The JAviator Flight Control System

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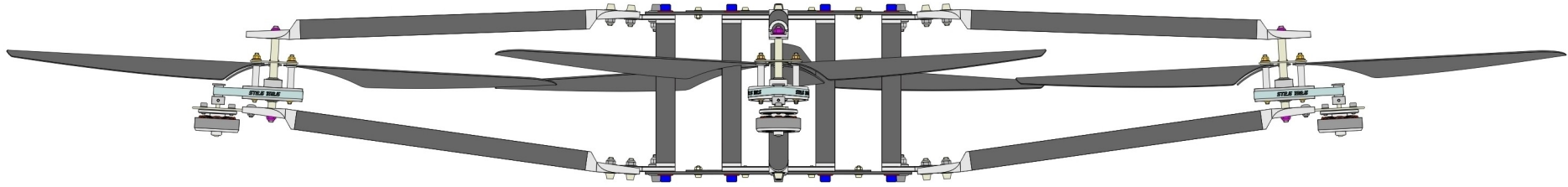
# Introduction

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- The JAviator Quadrotor
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- Thrust Dynamics
- Altitude Control
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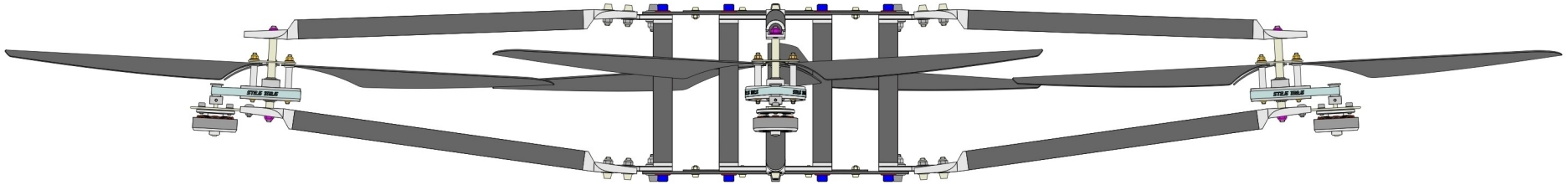
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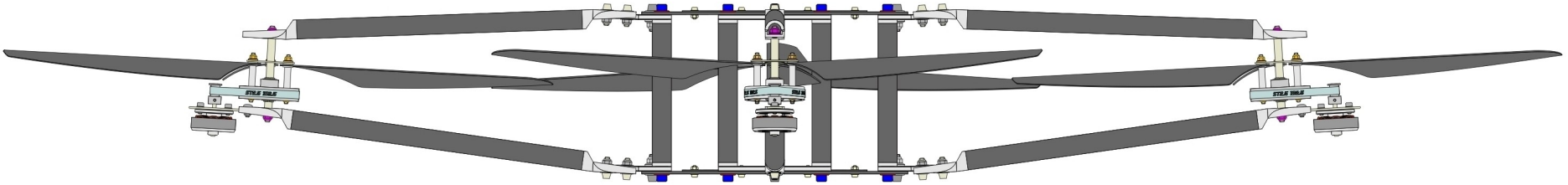
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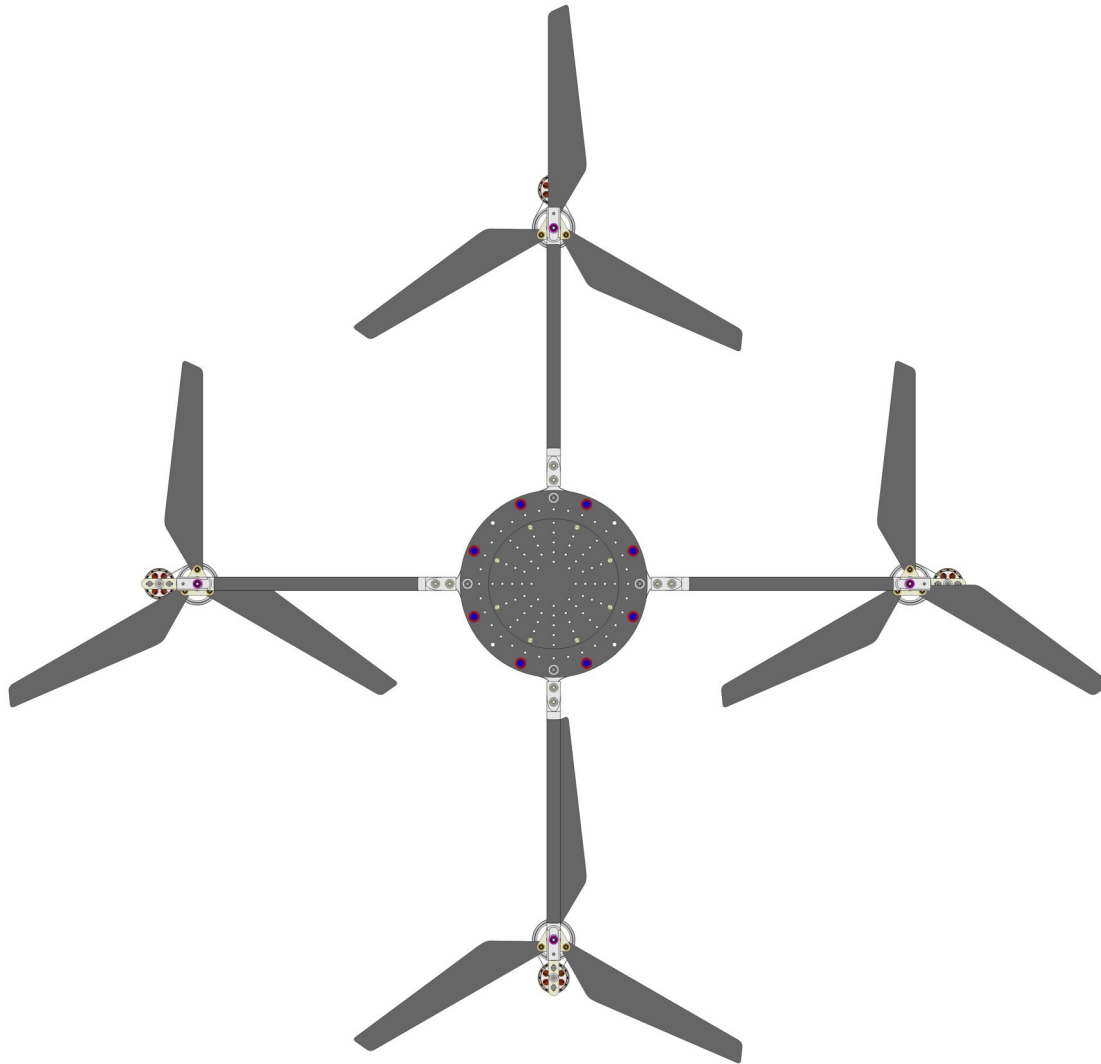
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- Total diameter (over spinning rotors): 1.3 m
- Empty weight (including electronics): 2.2 kg
- Max lift capacity (flyable with 4.4kg): 5.6 kg

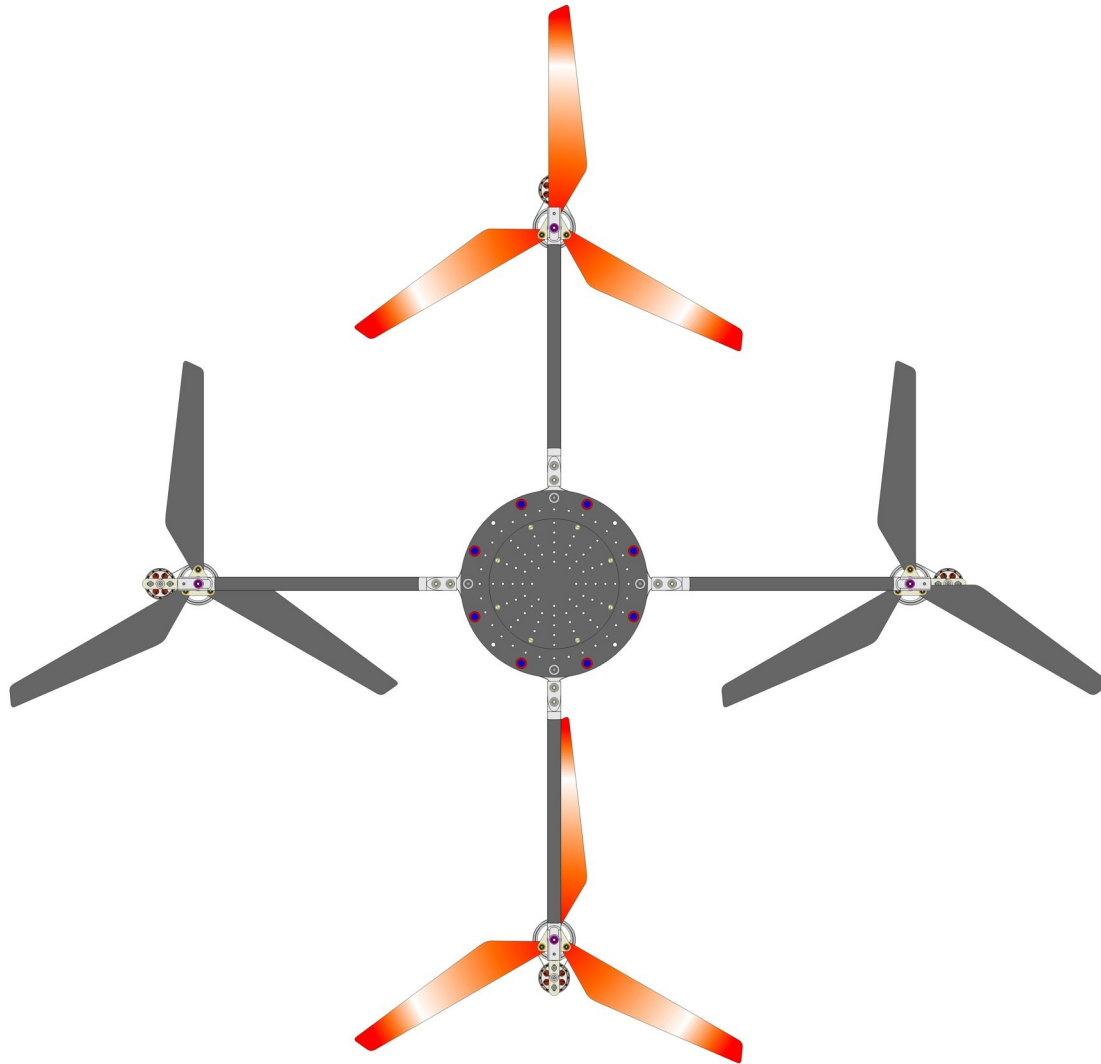
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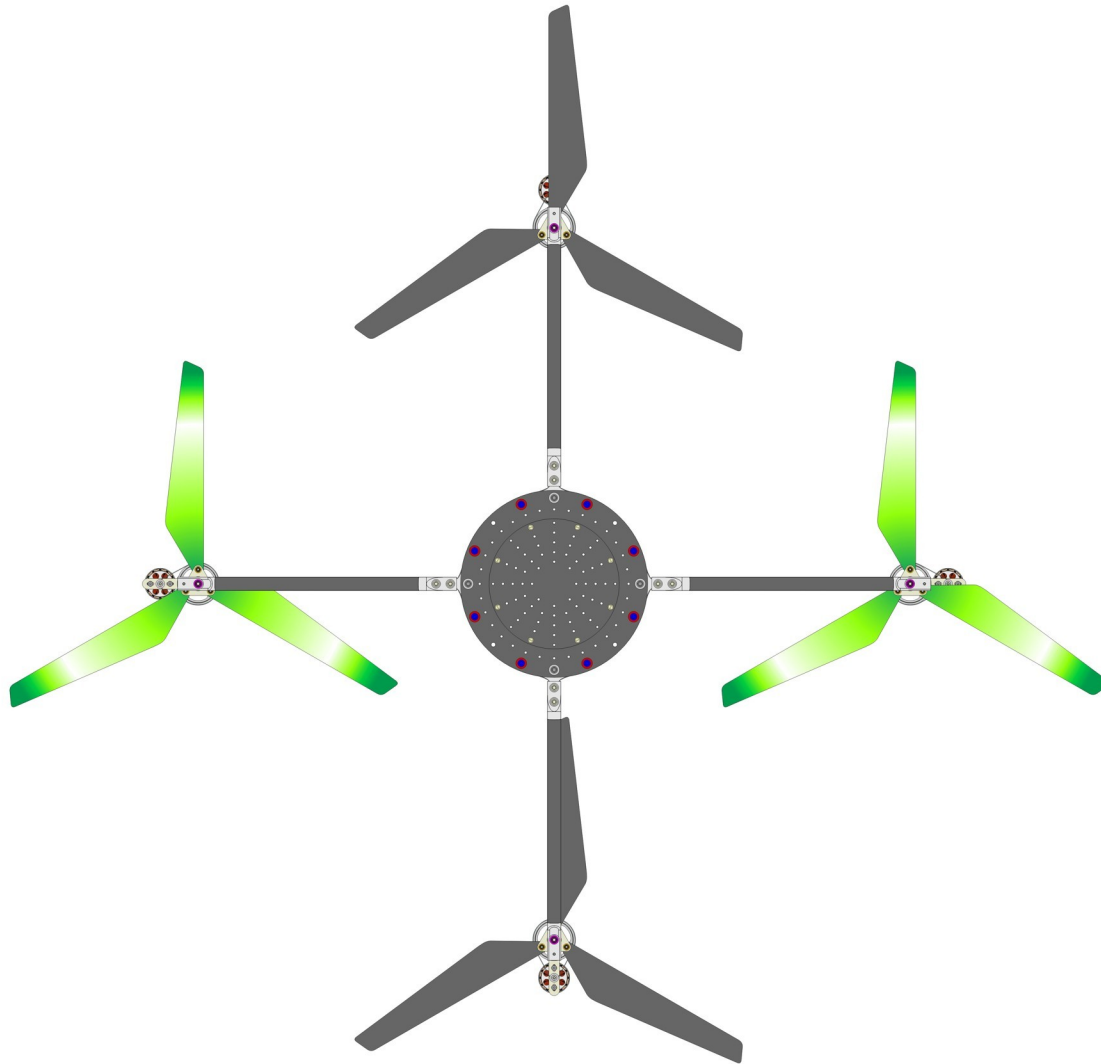
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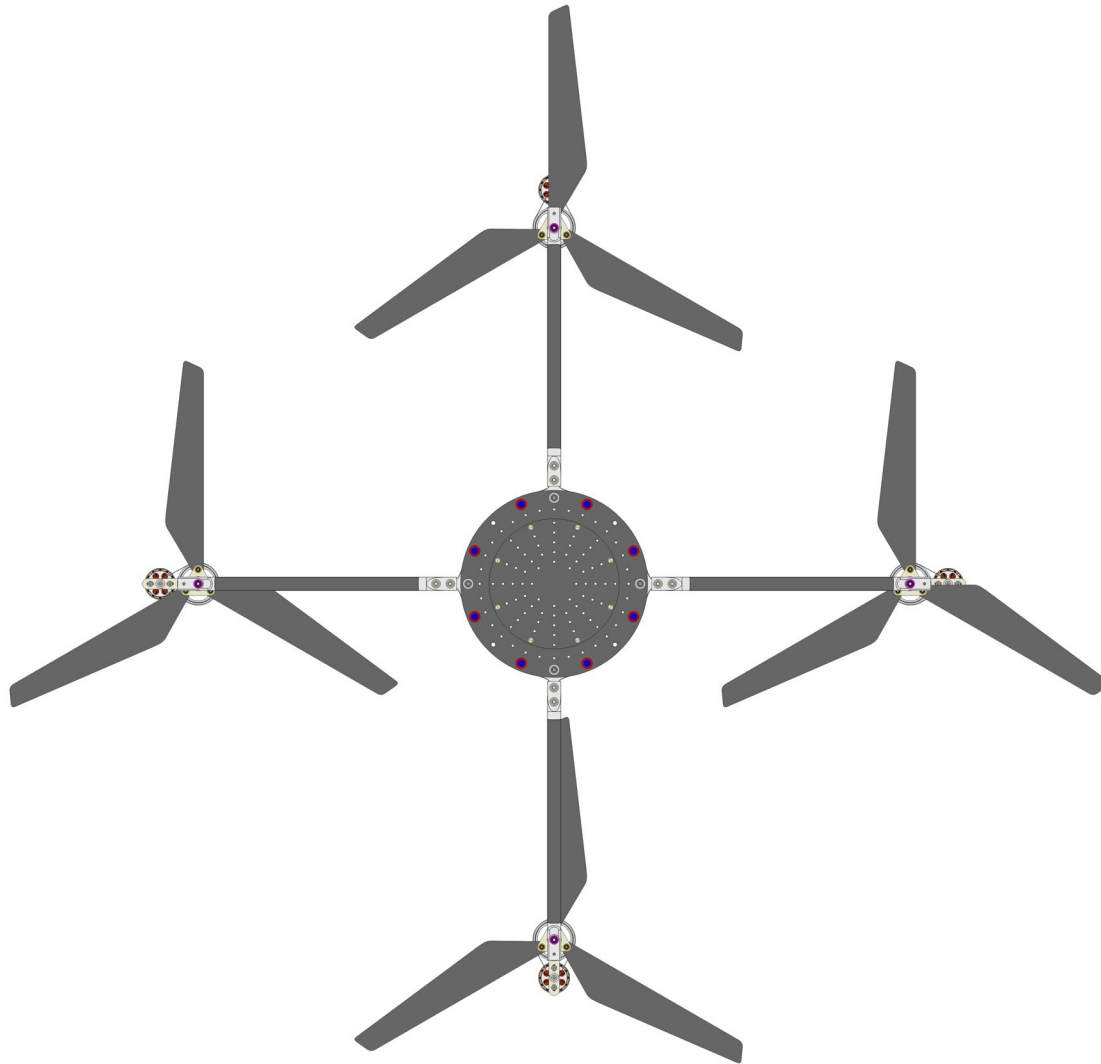
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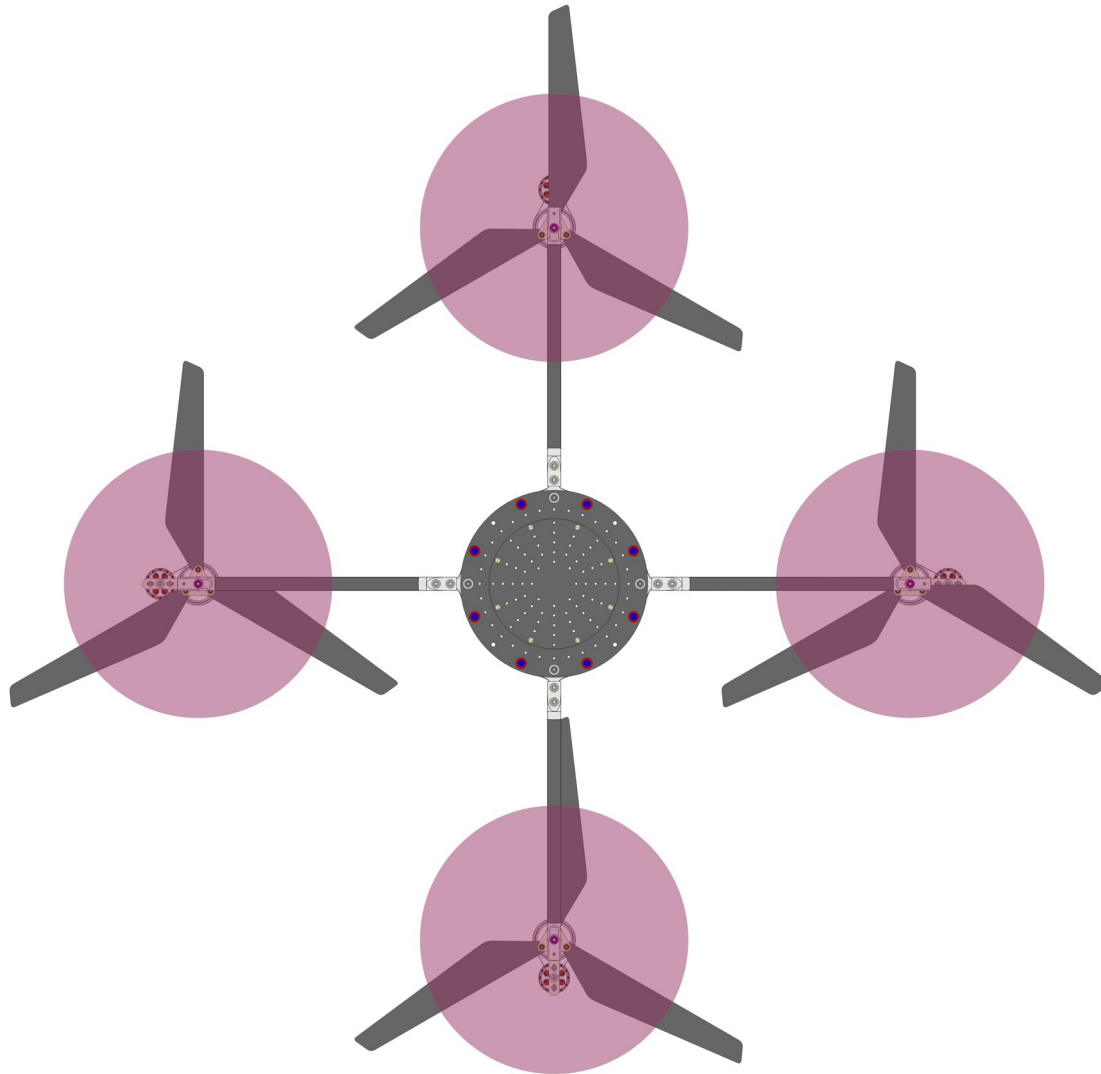
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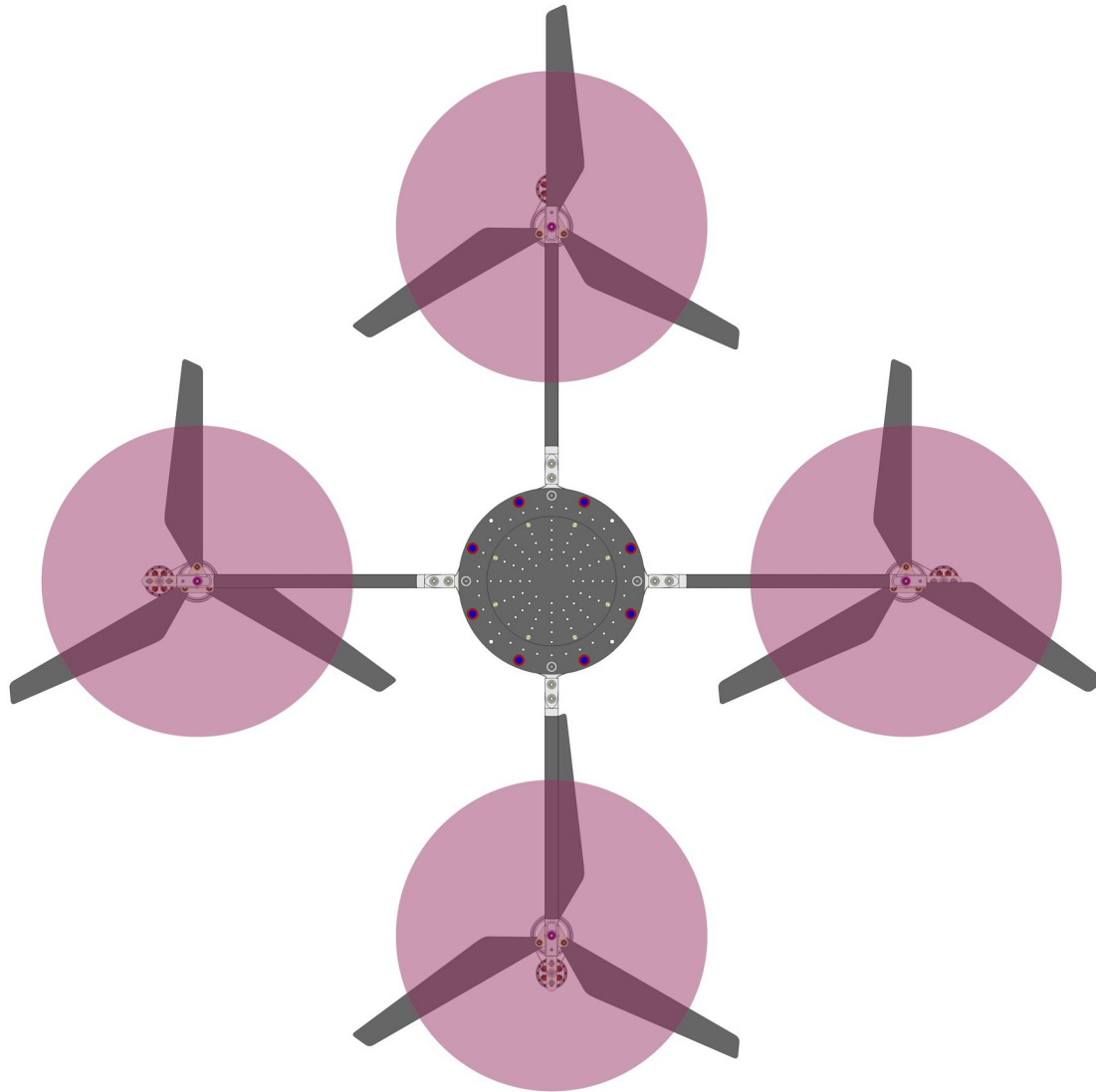
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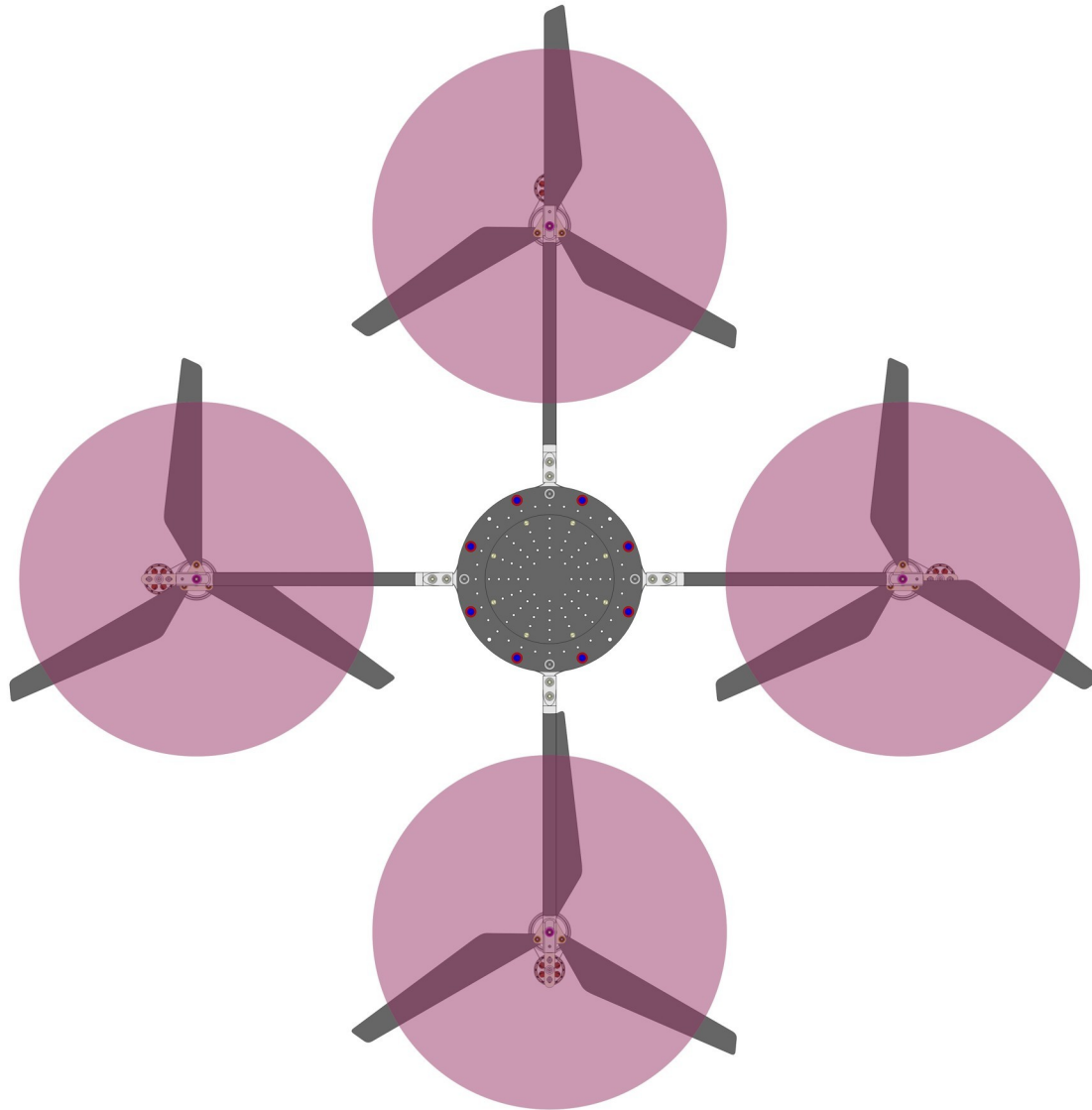
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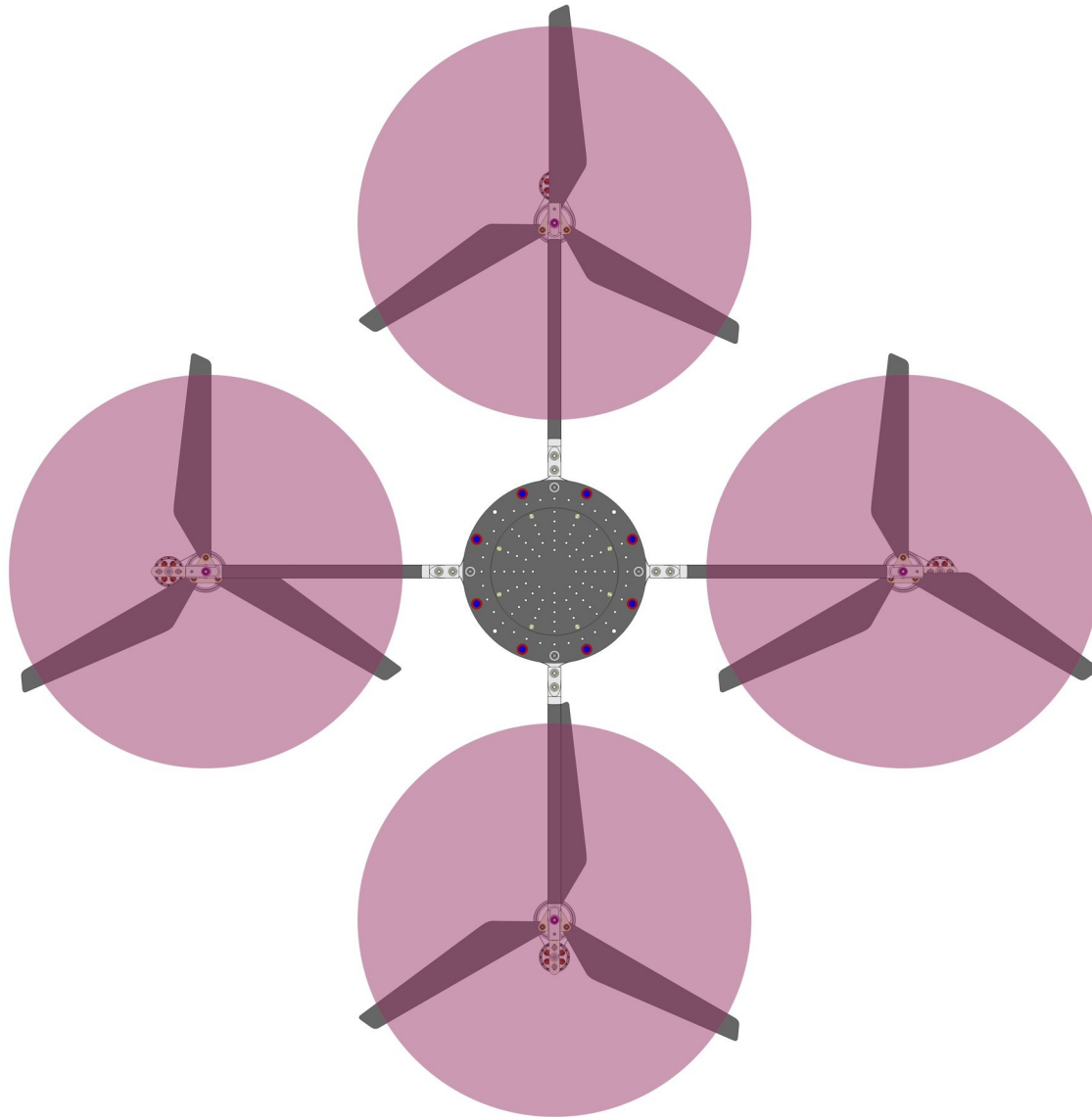
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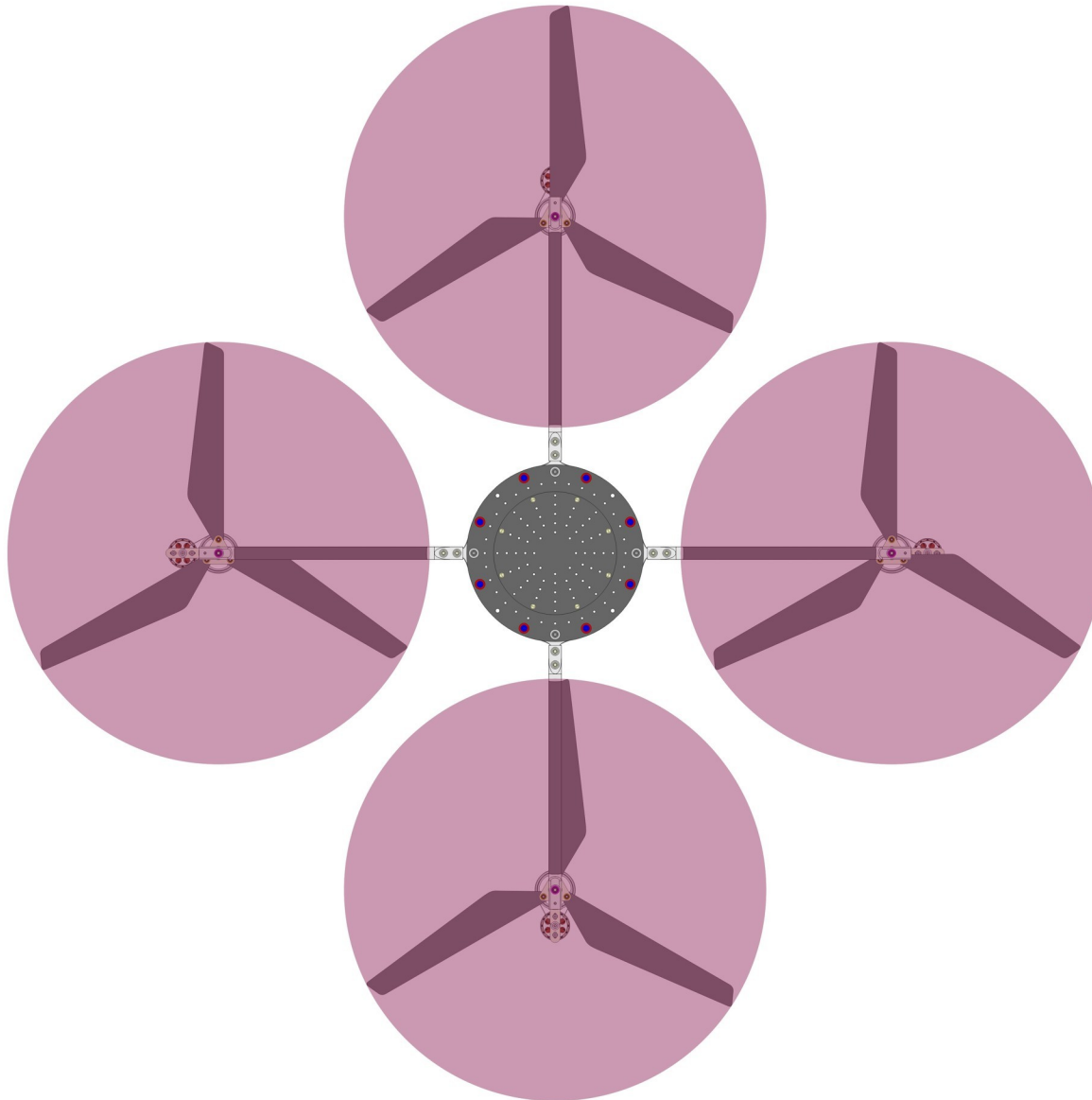
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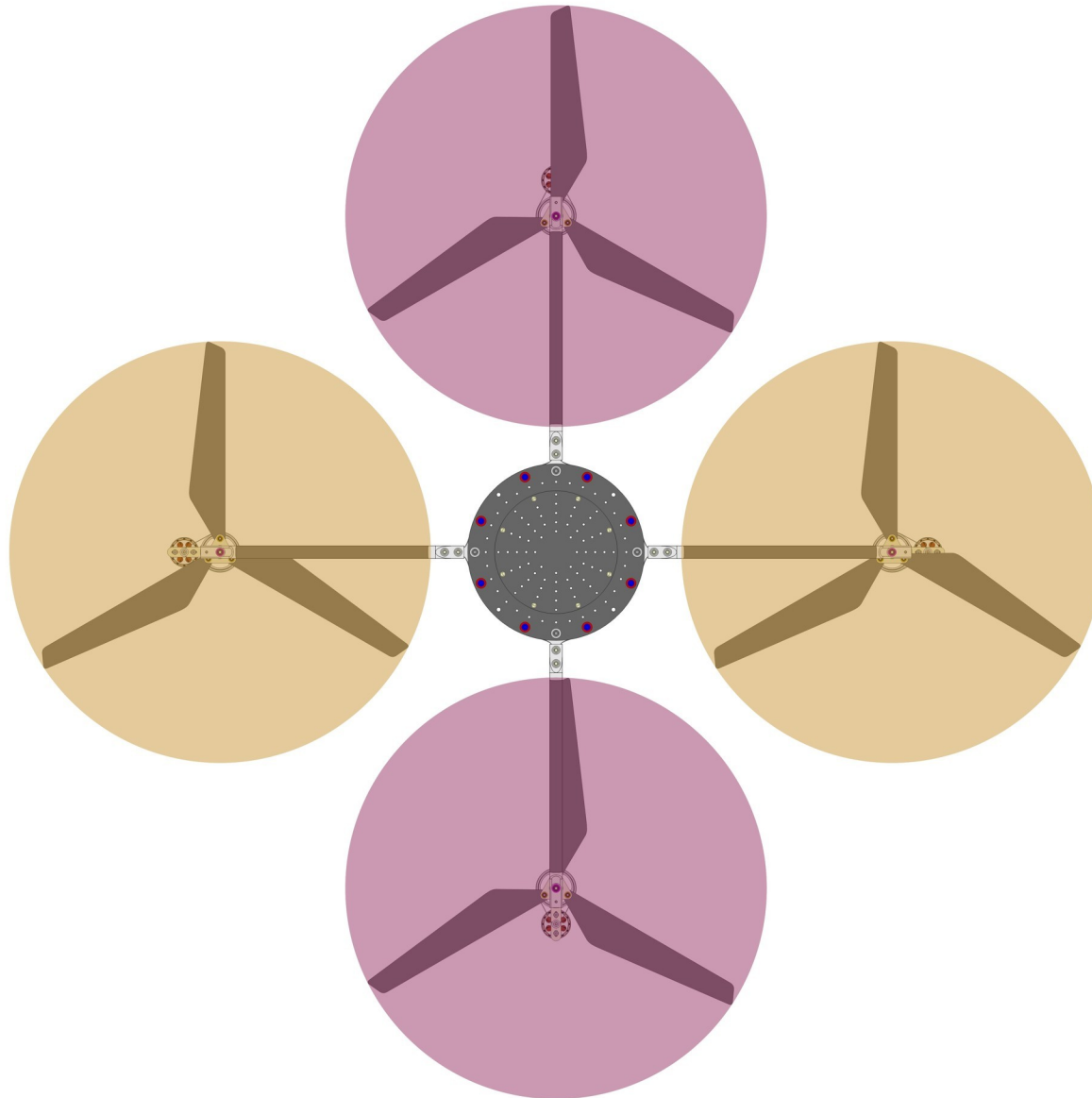
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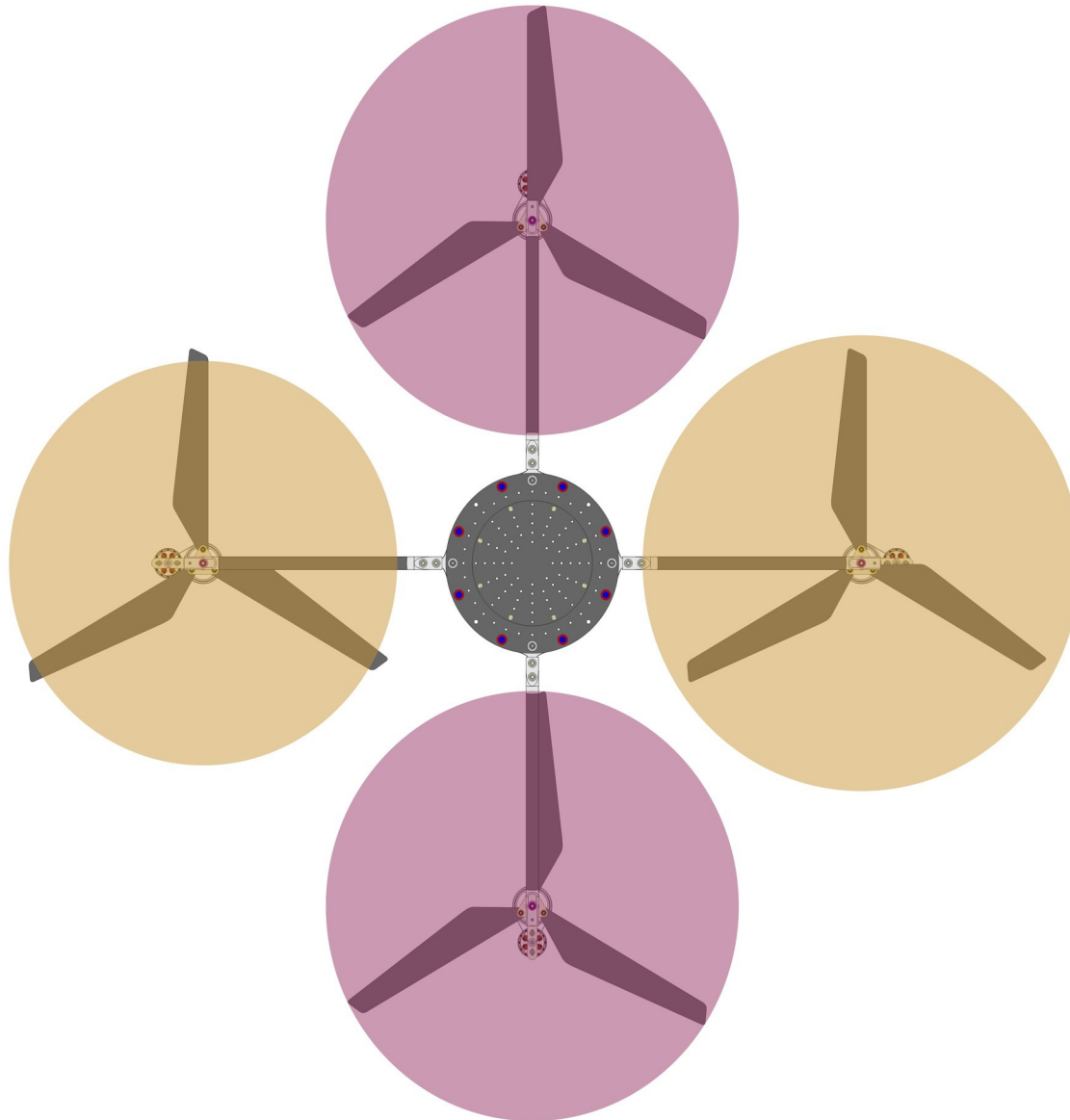
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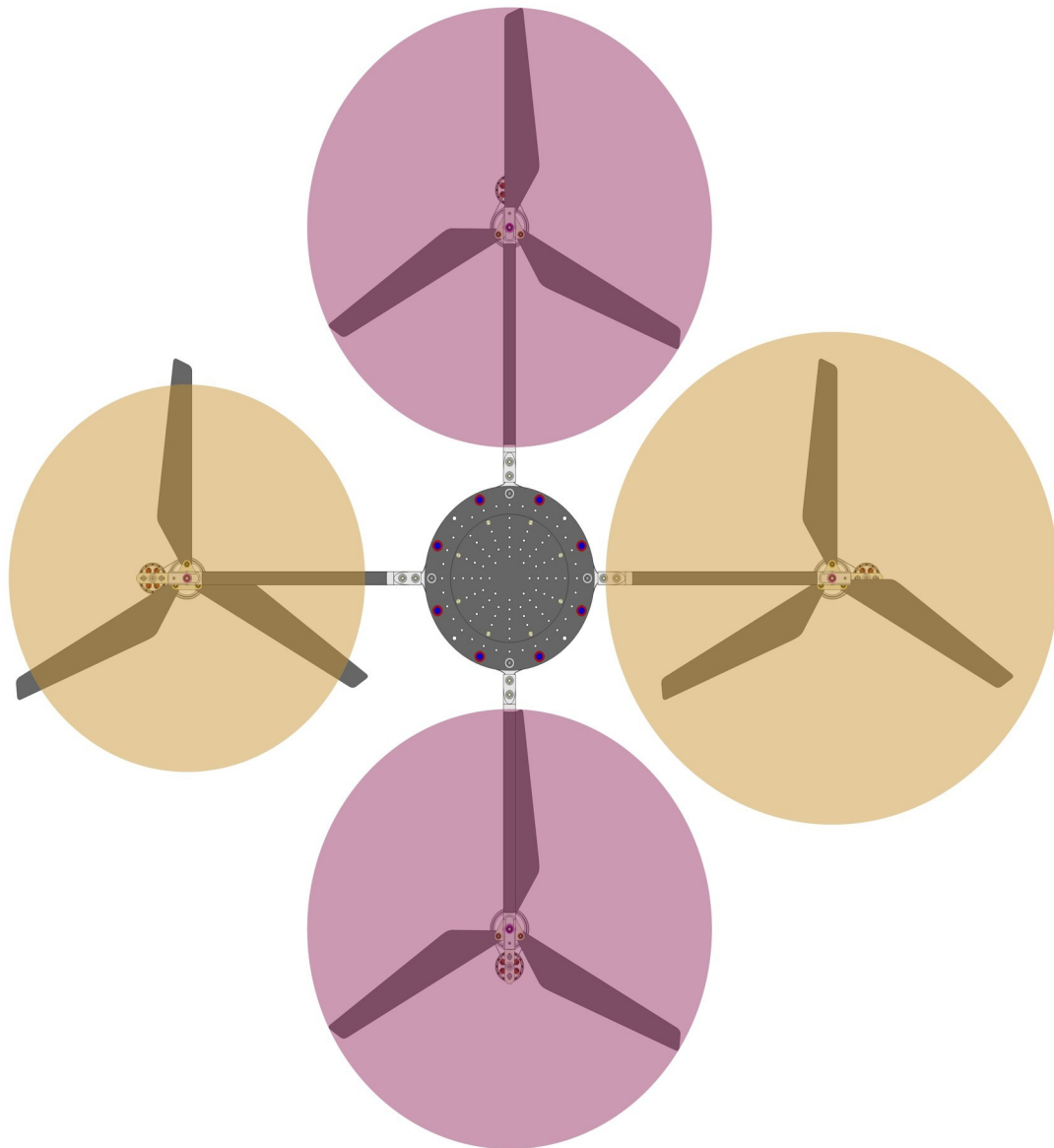
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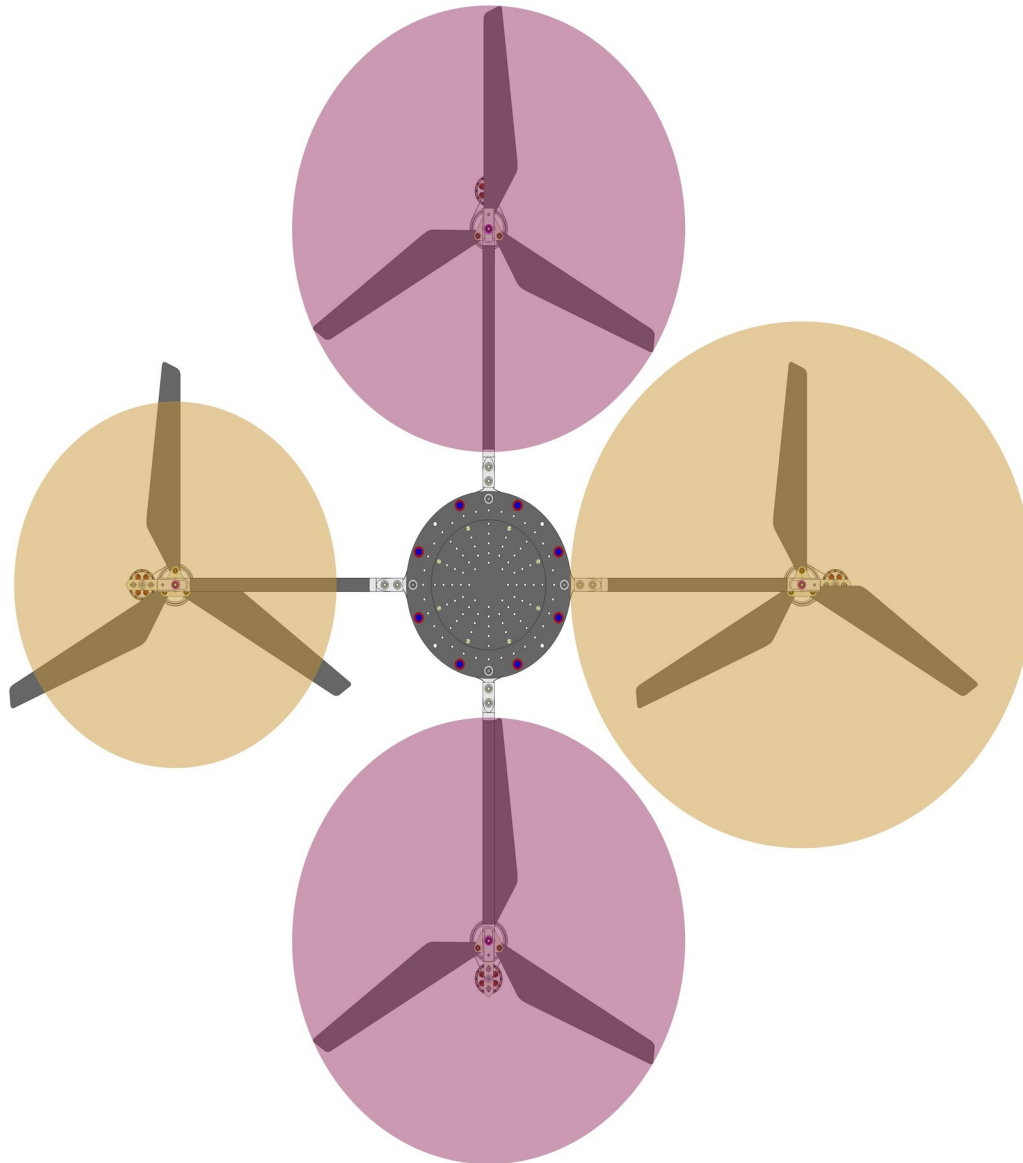
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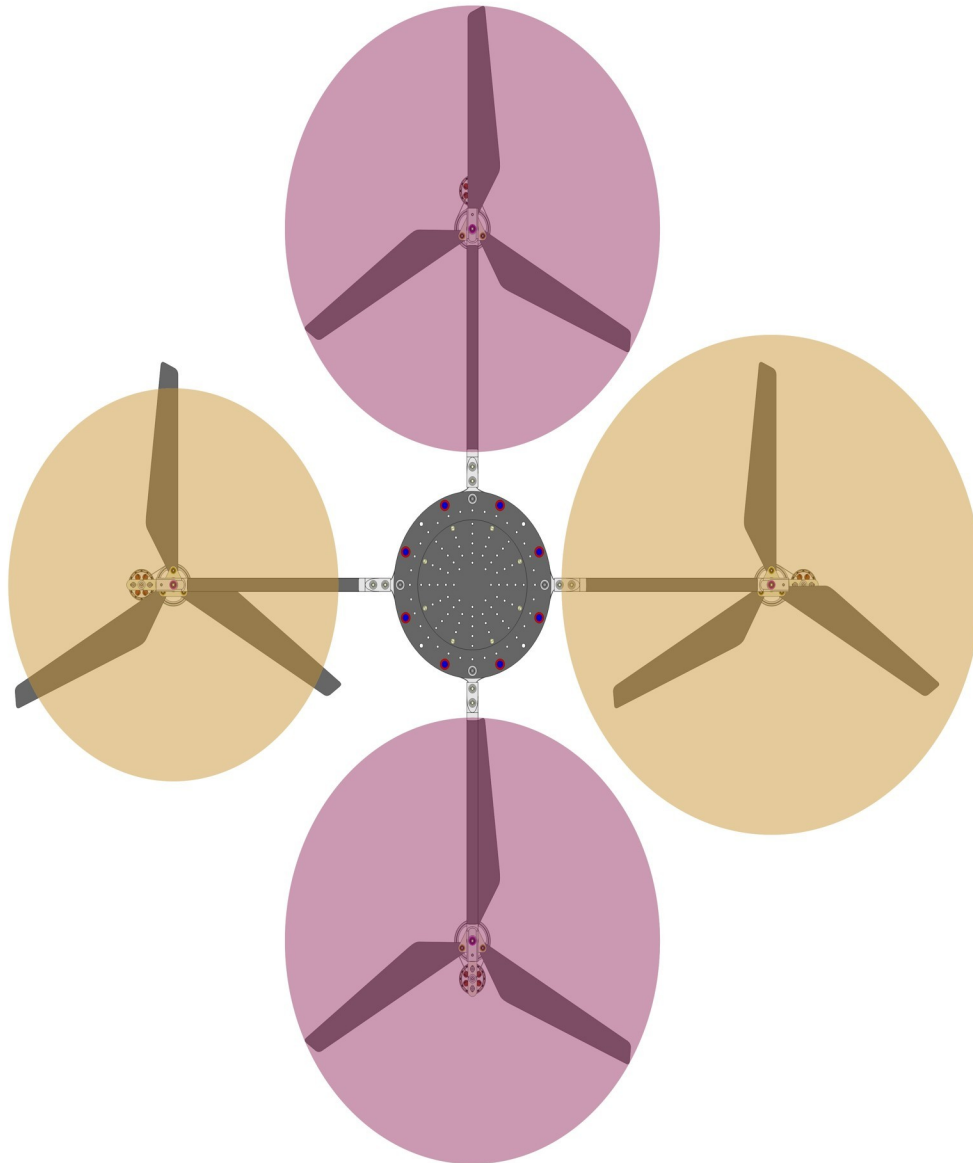
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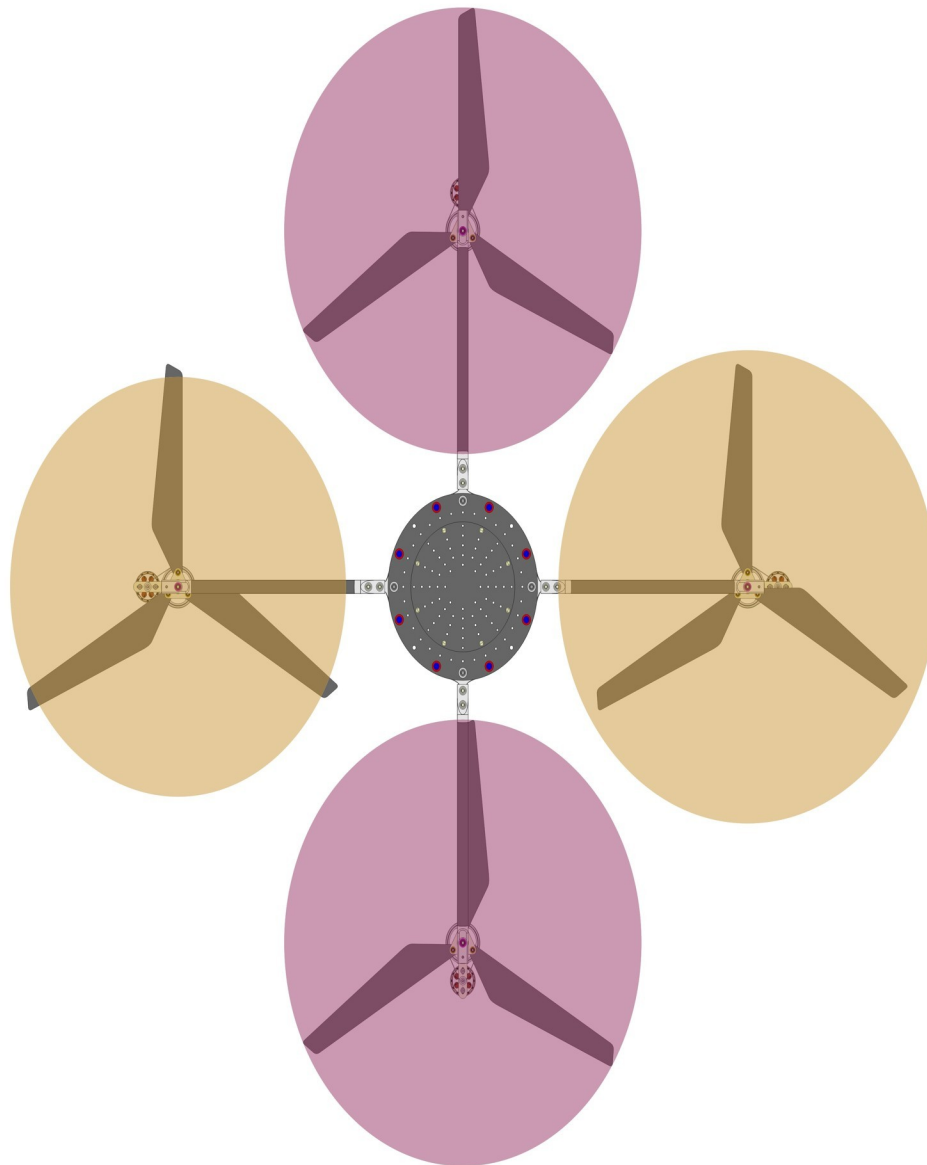
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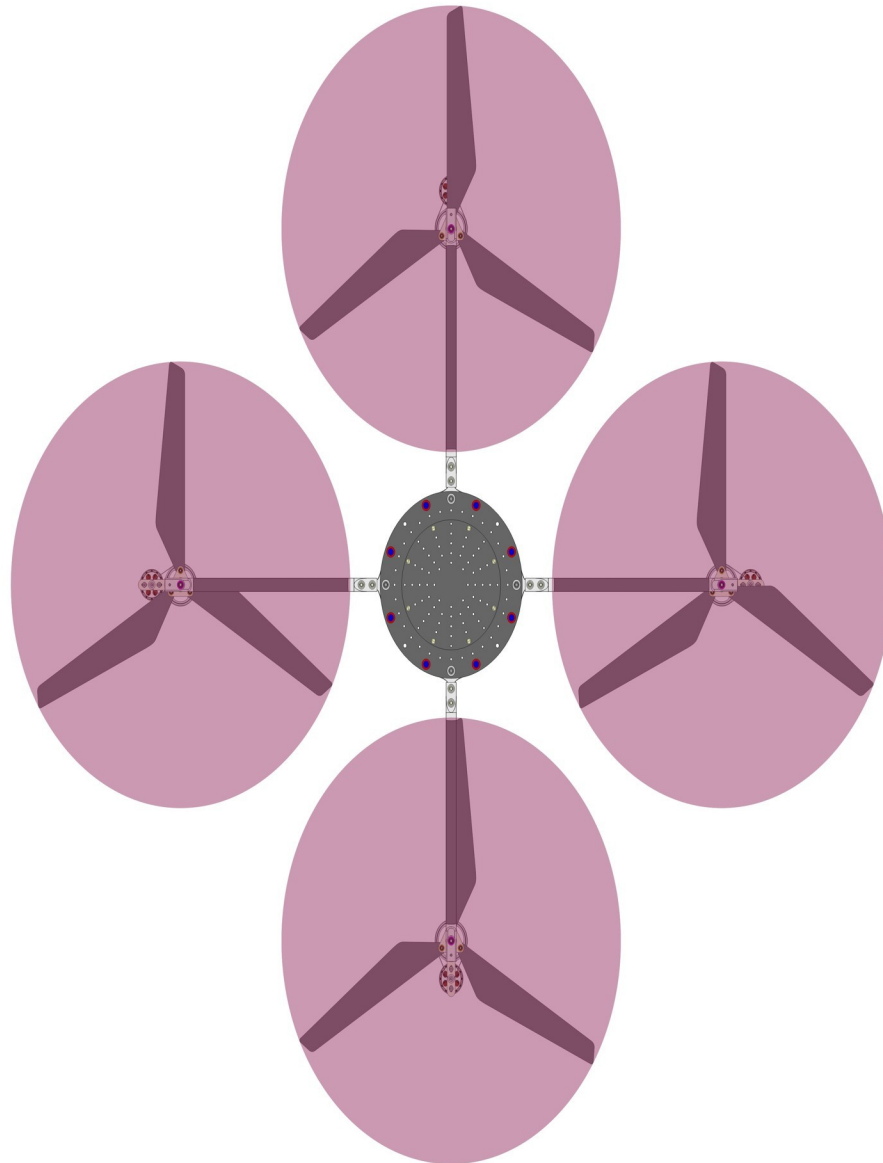
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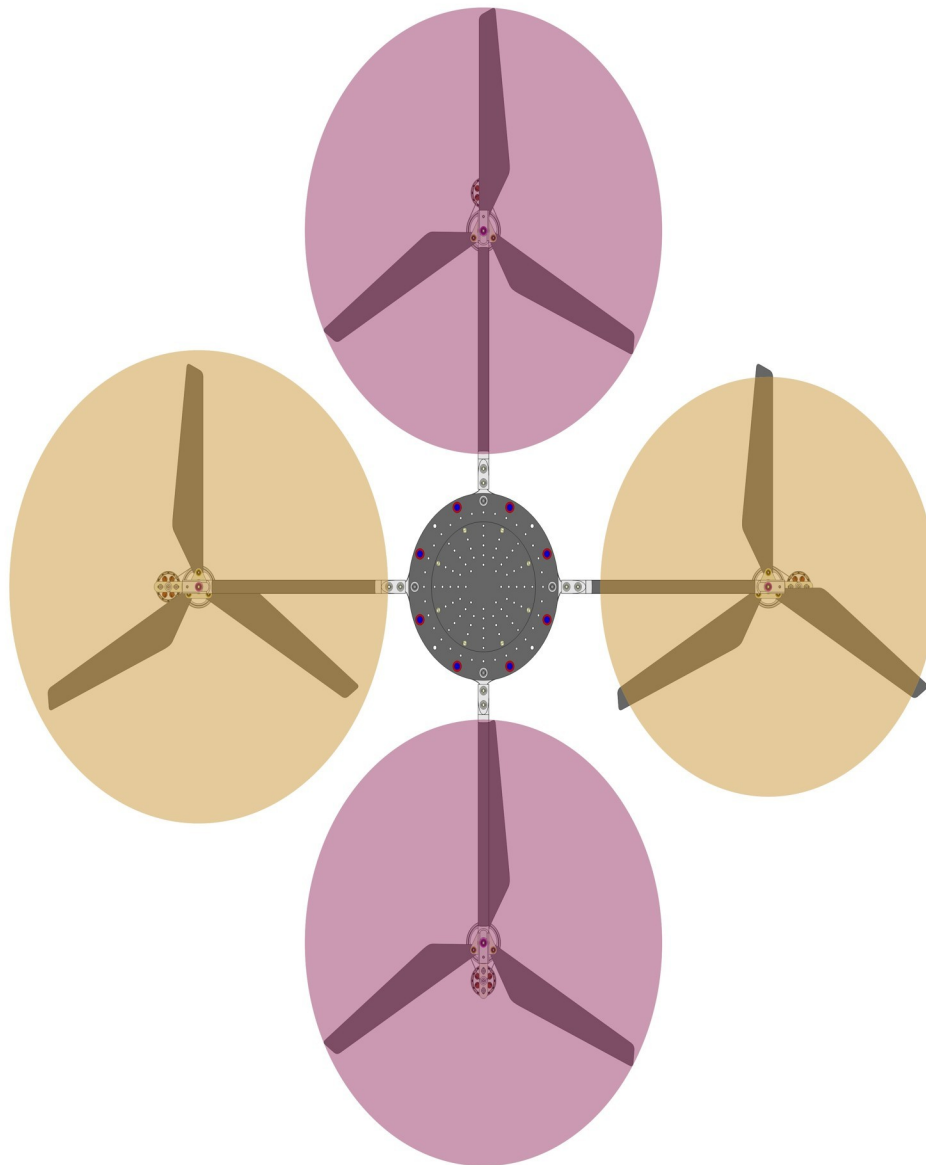
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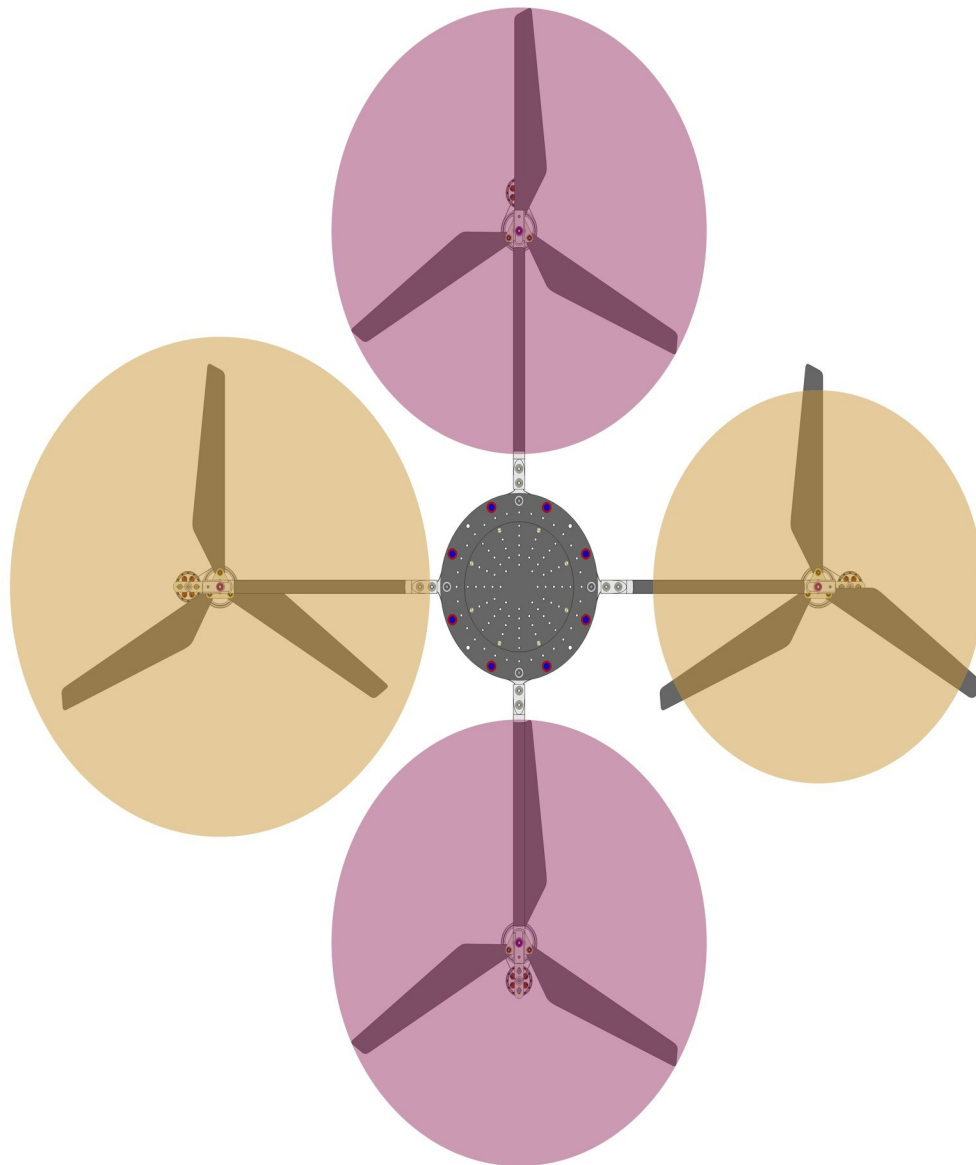
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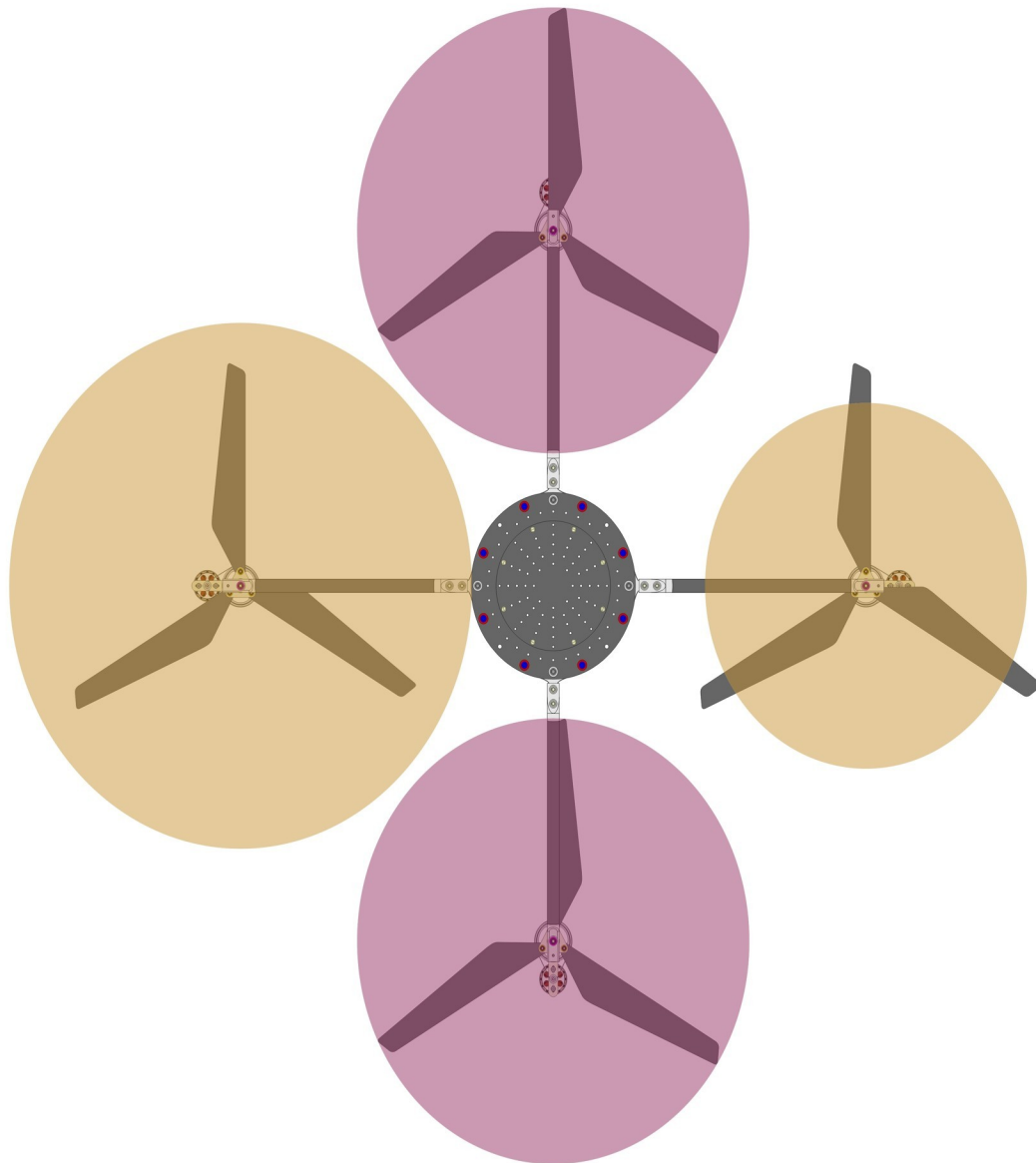
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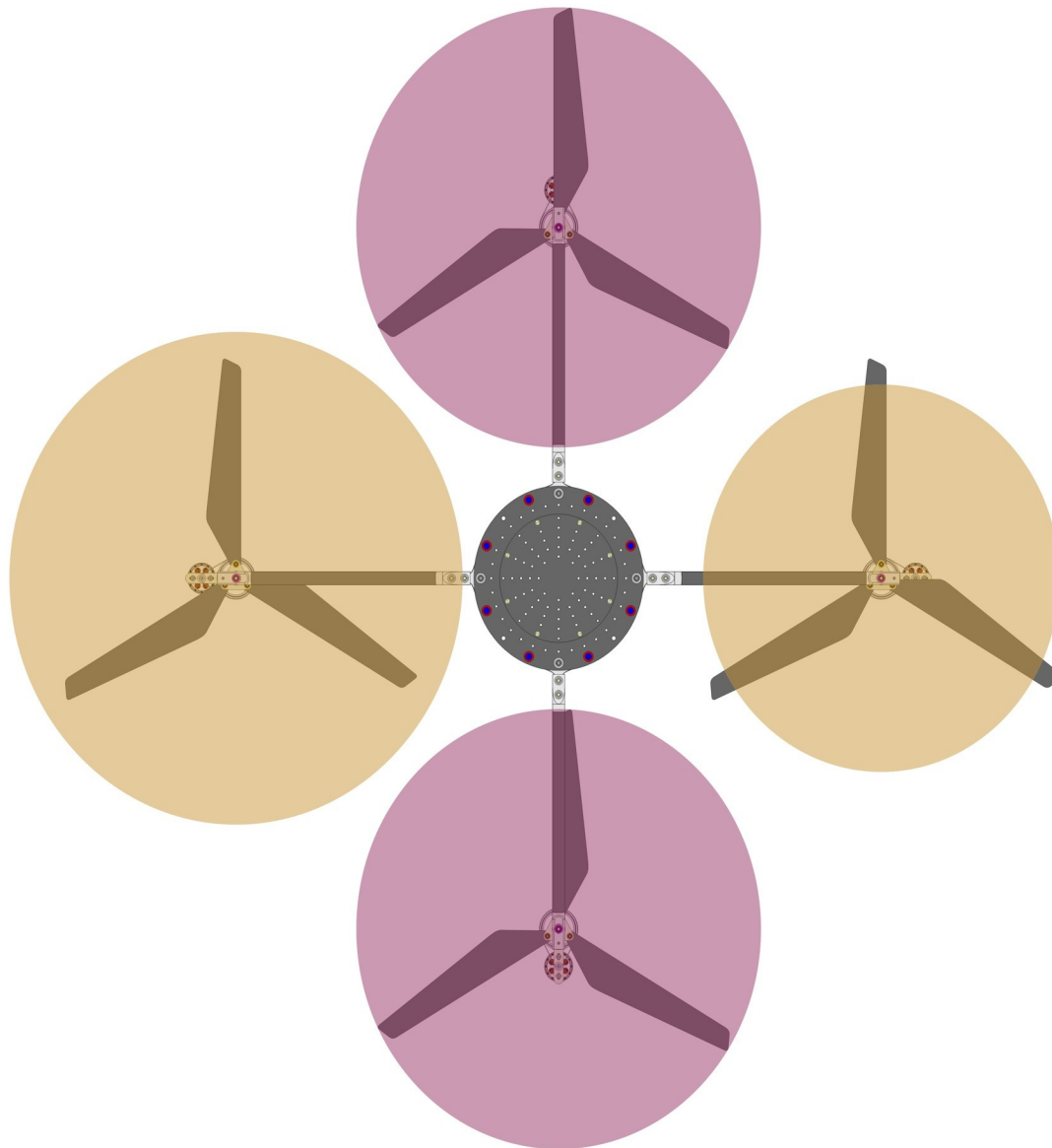
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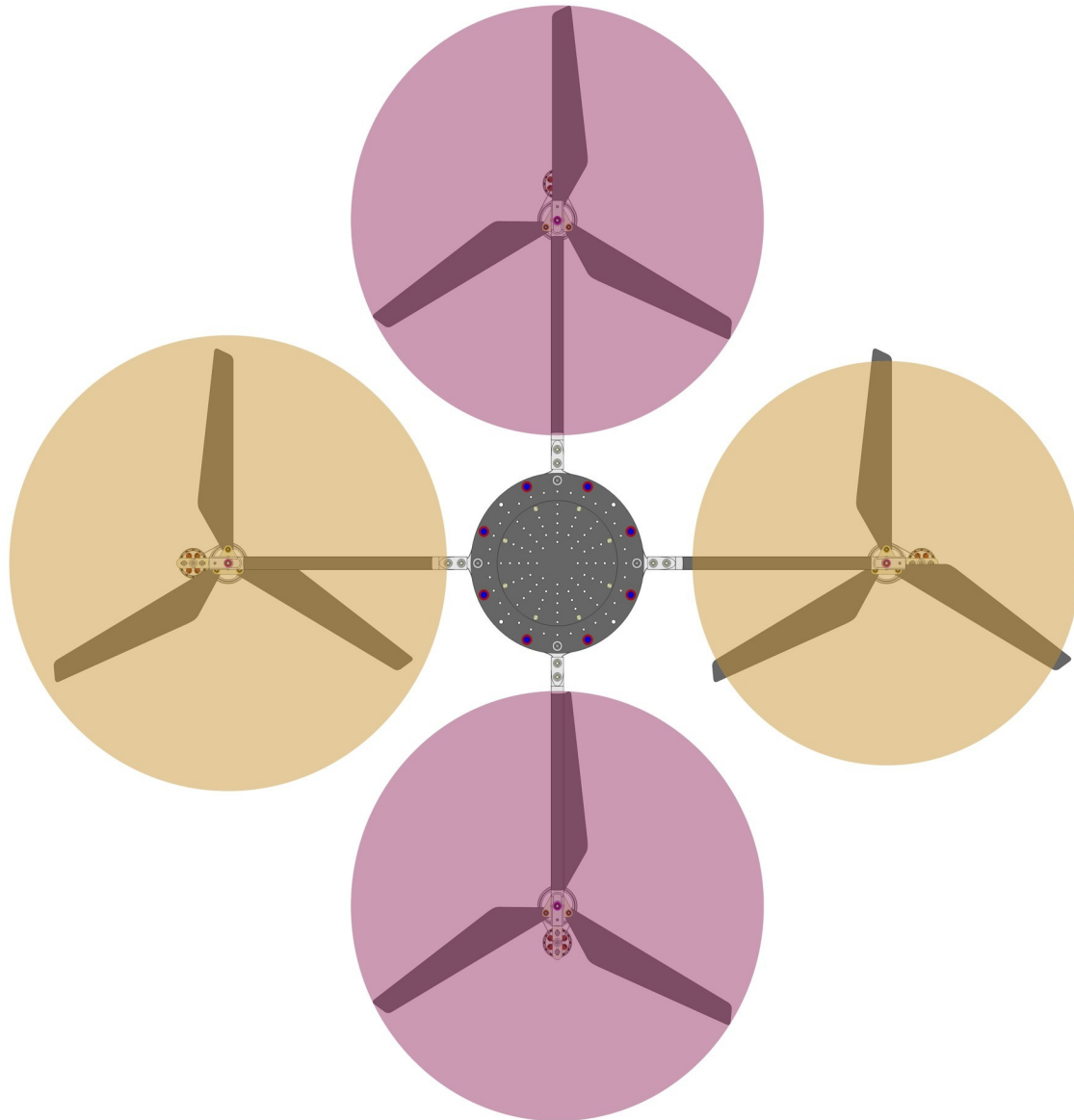
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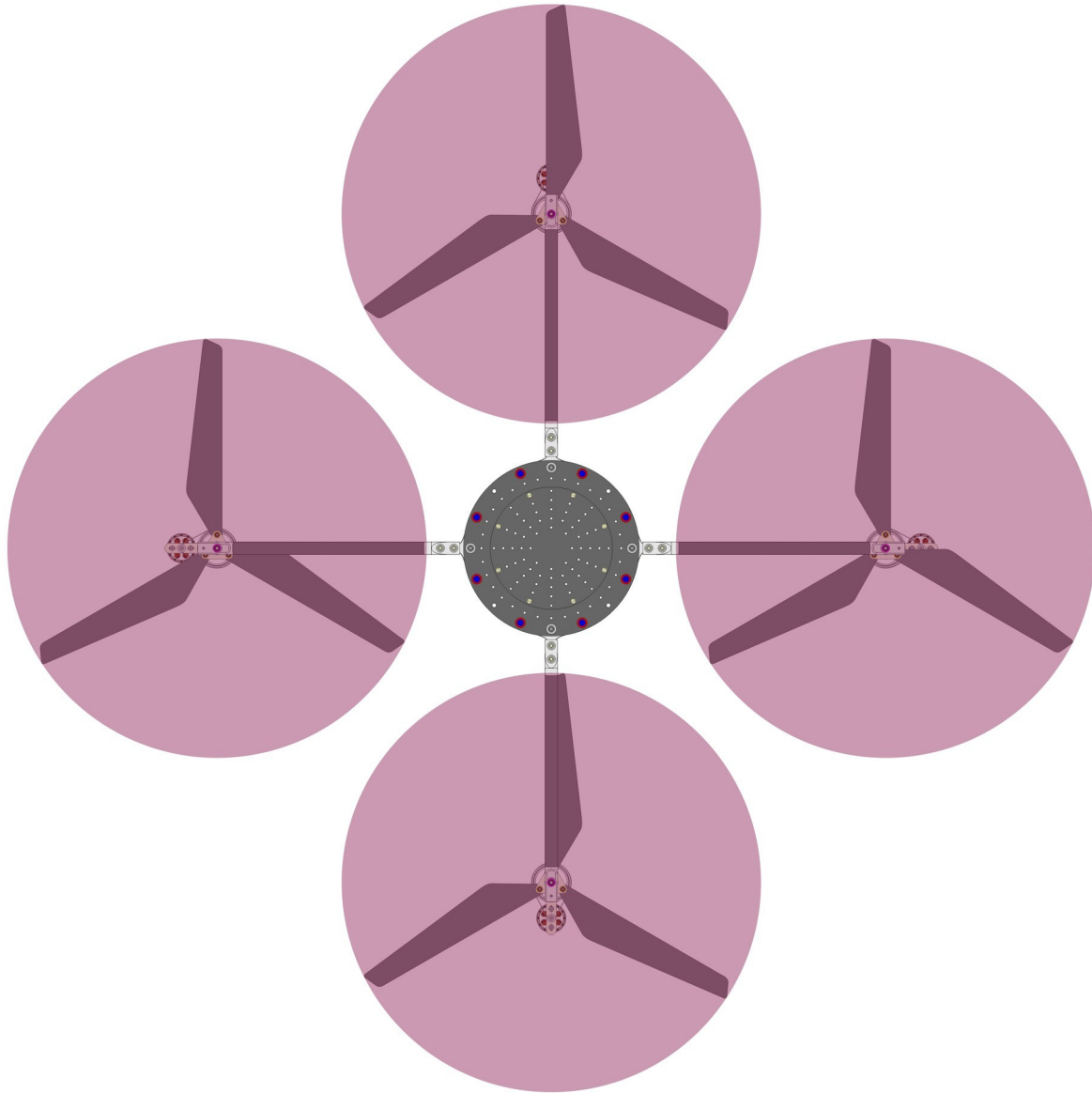
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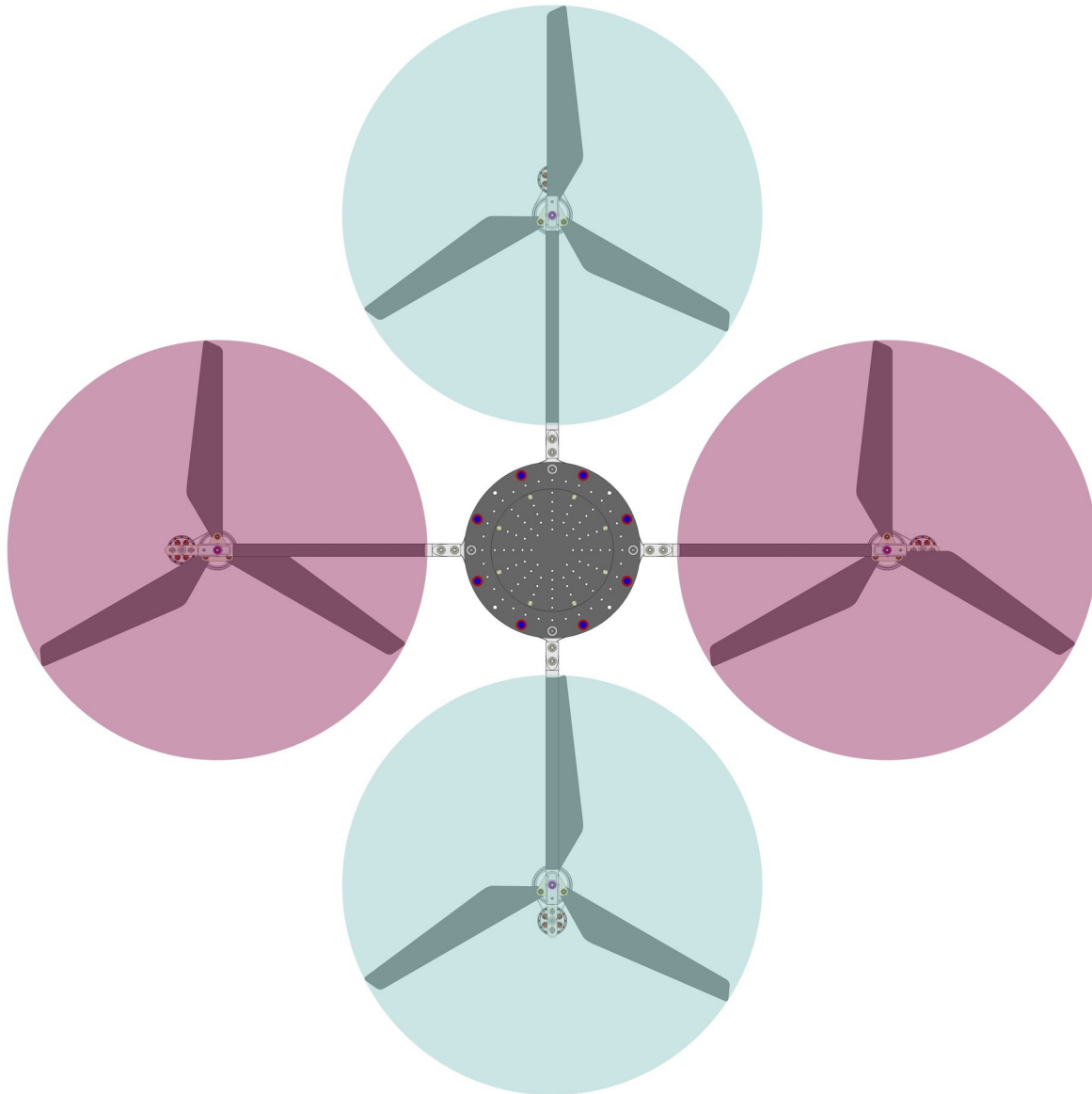
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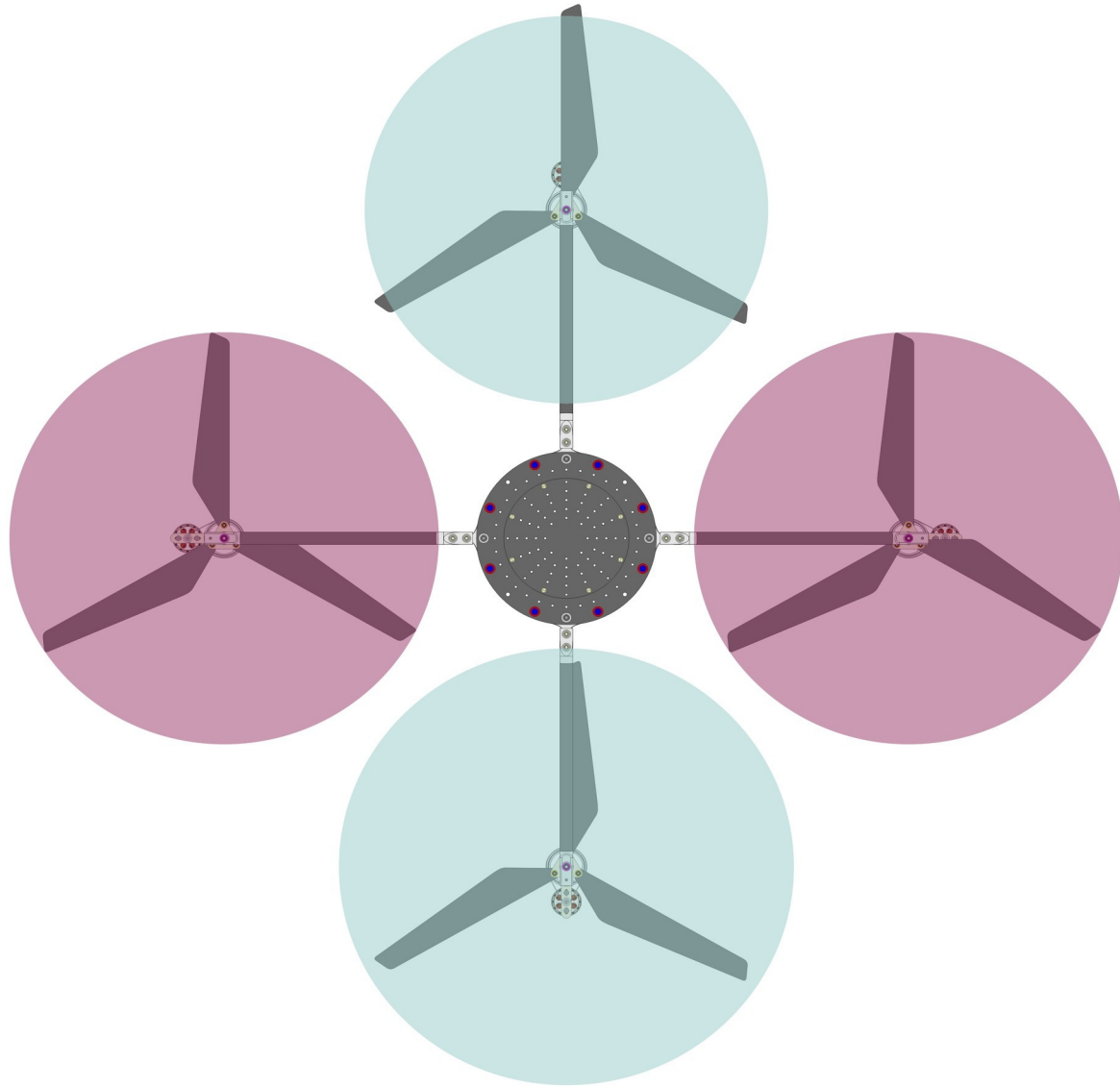
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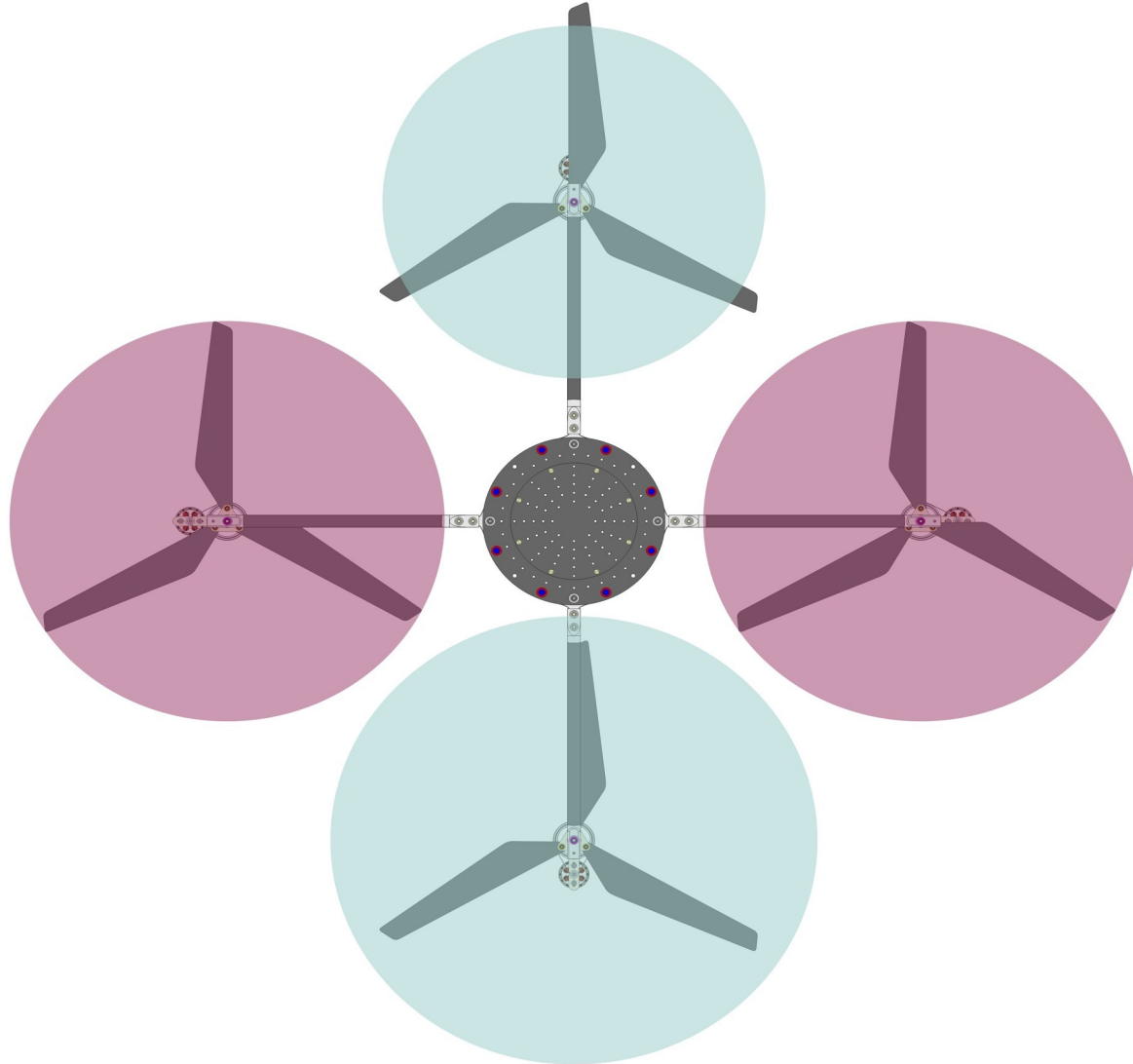
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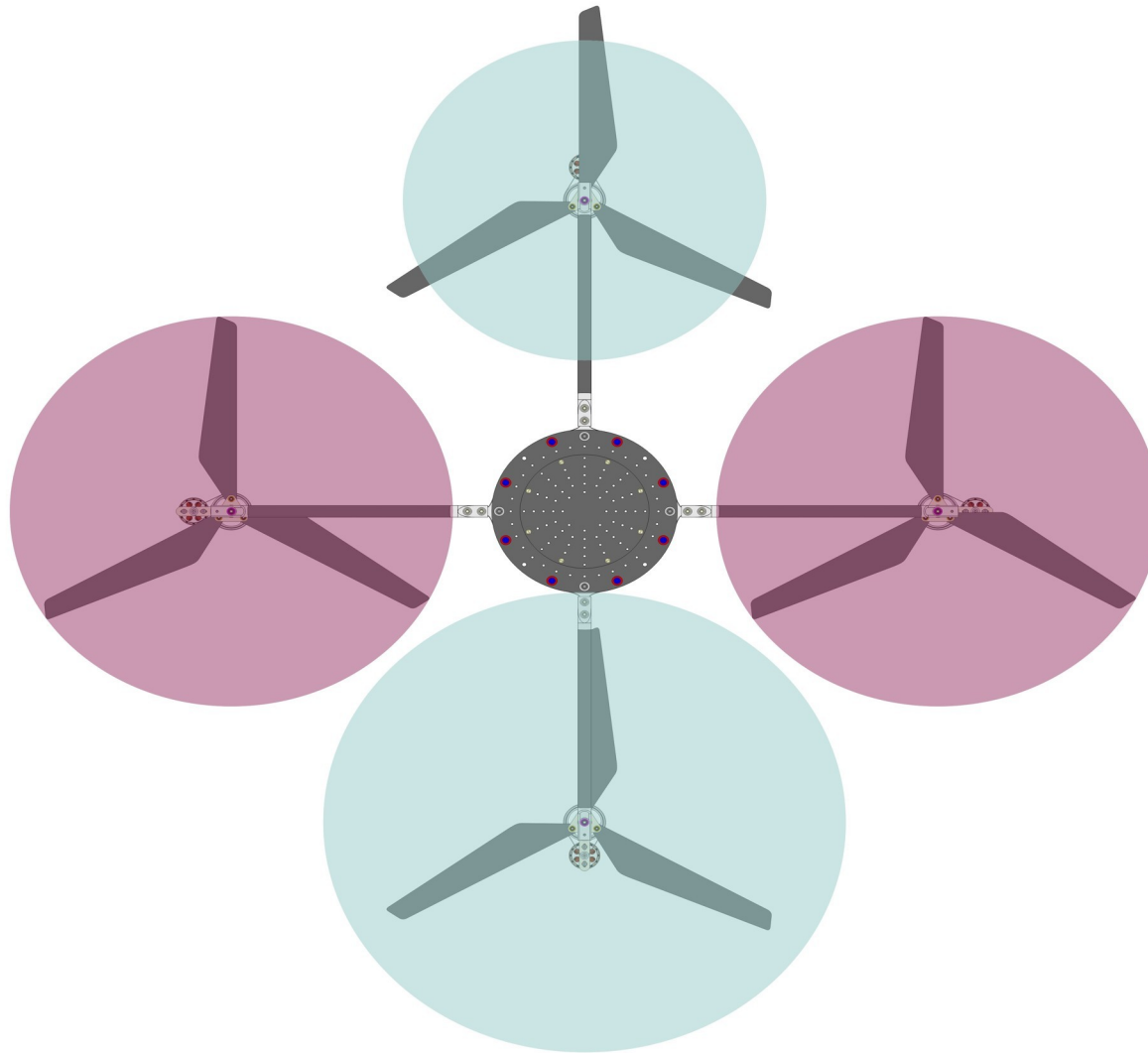
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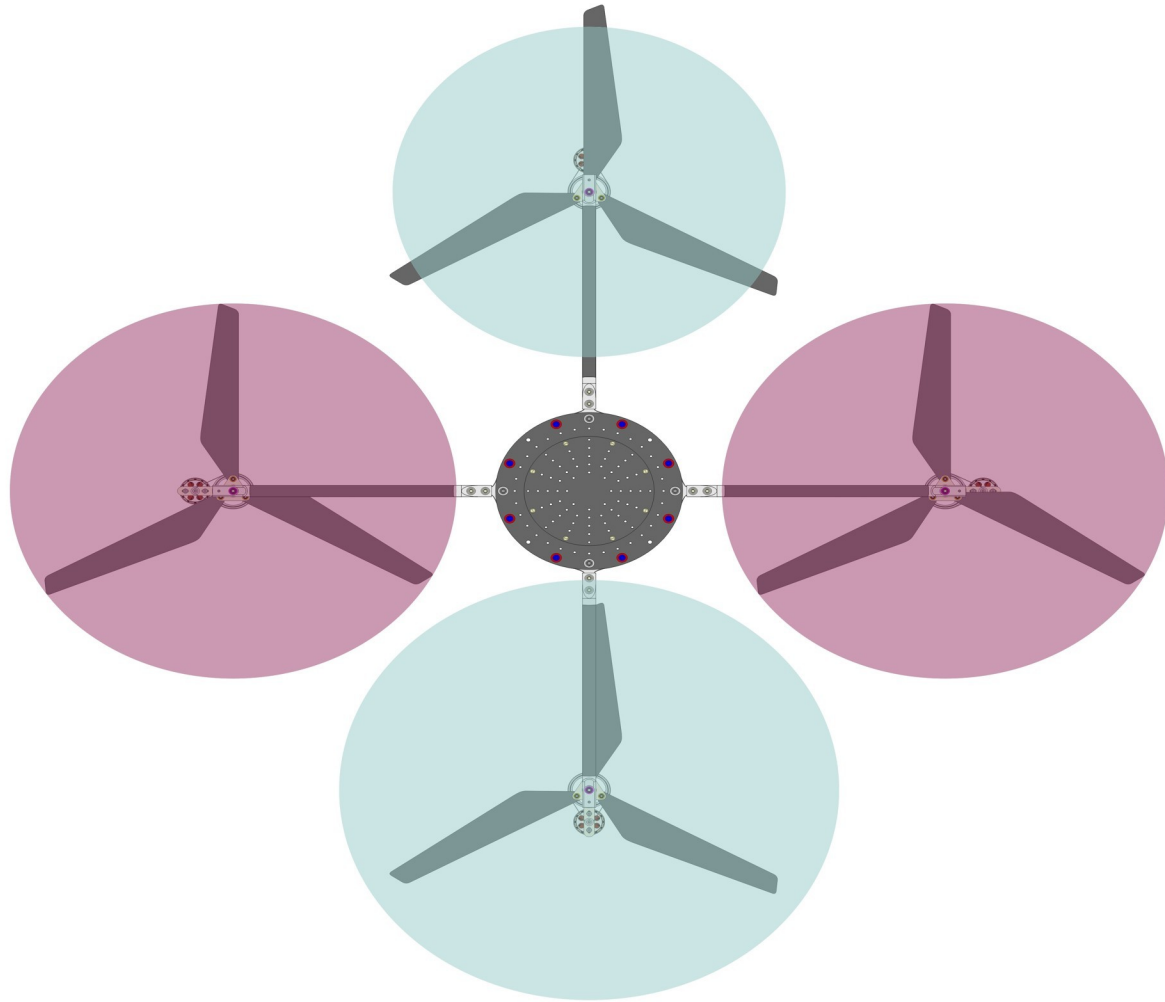
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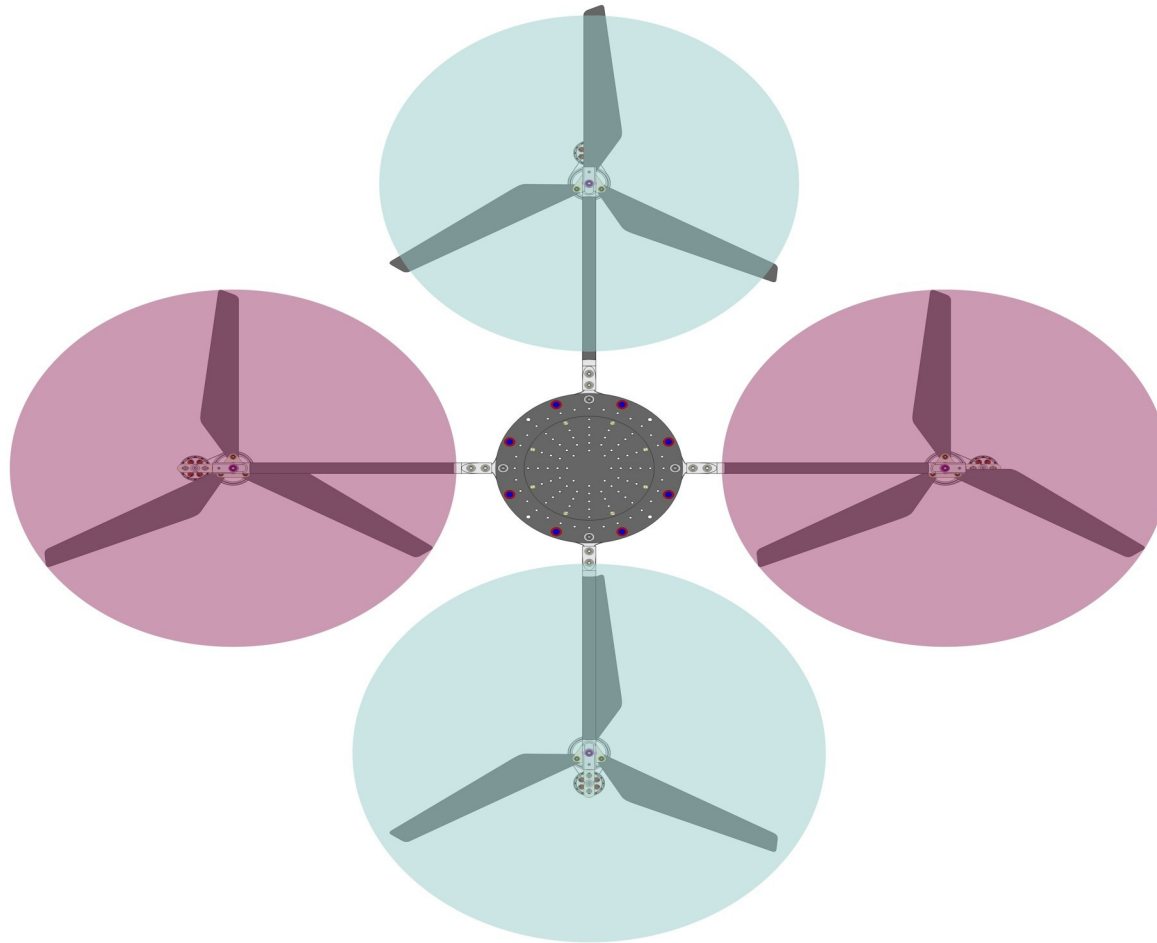
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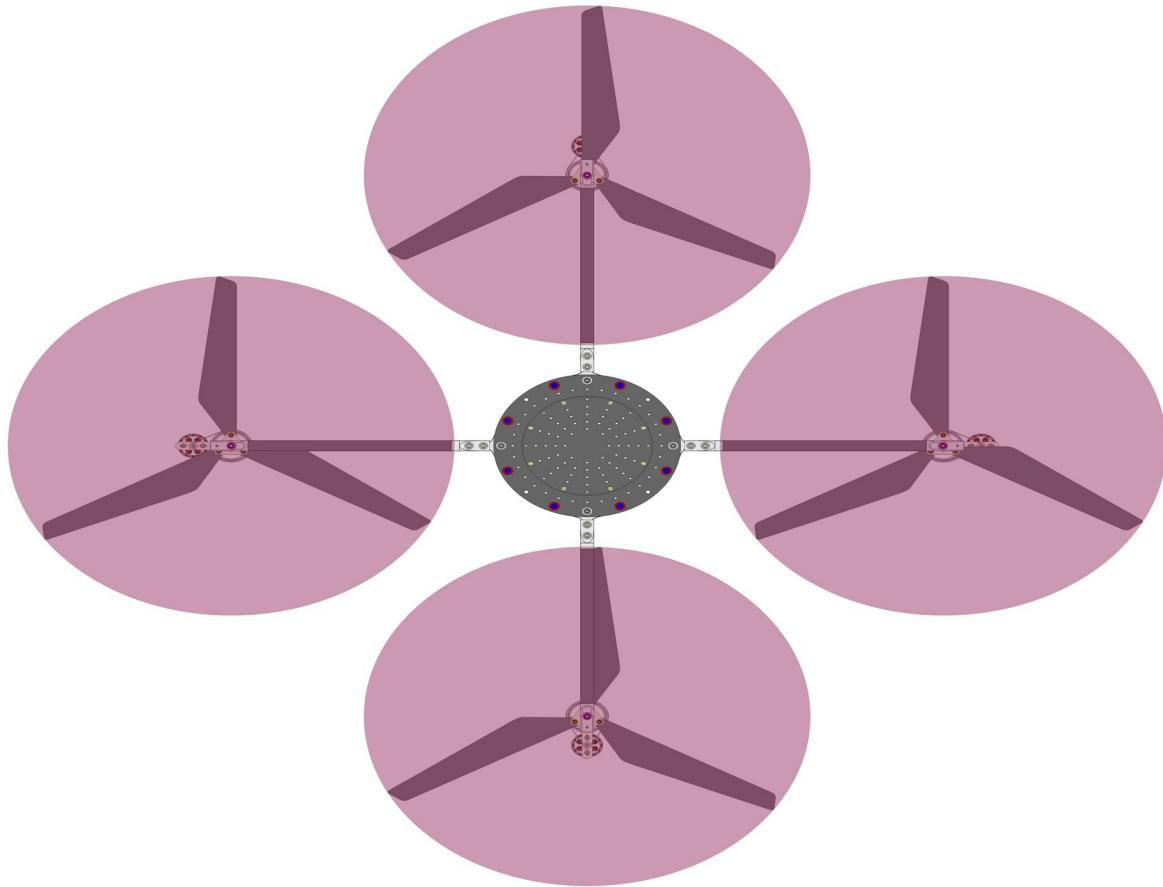
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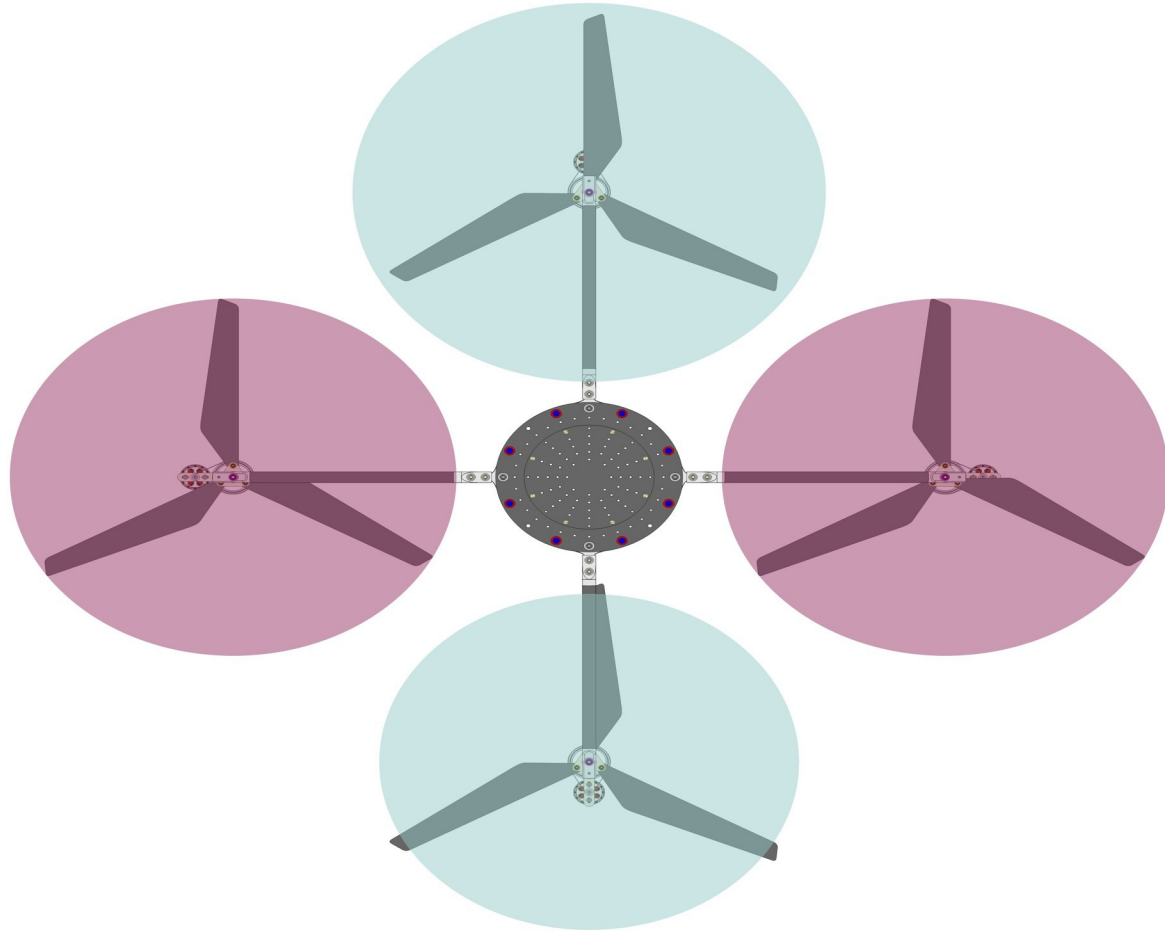
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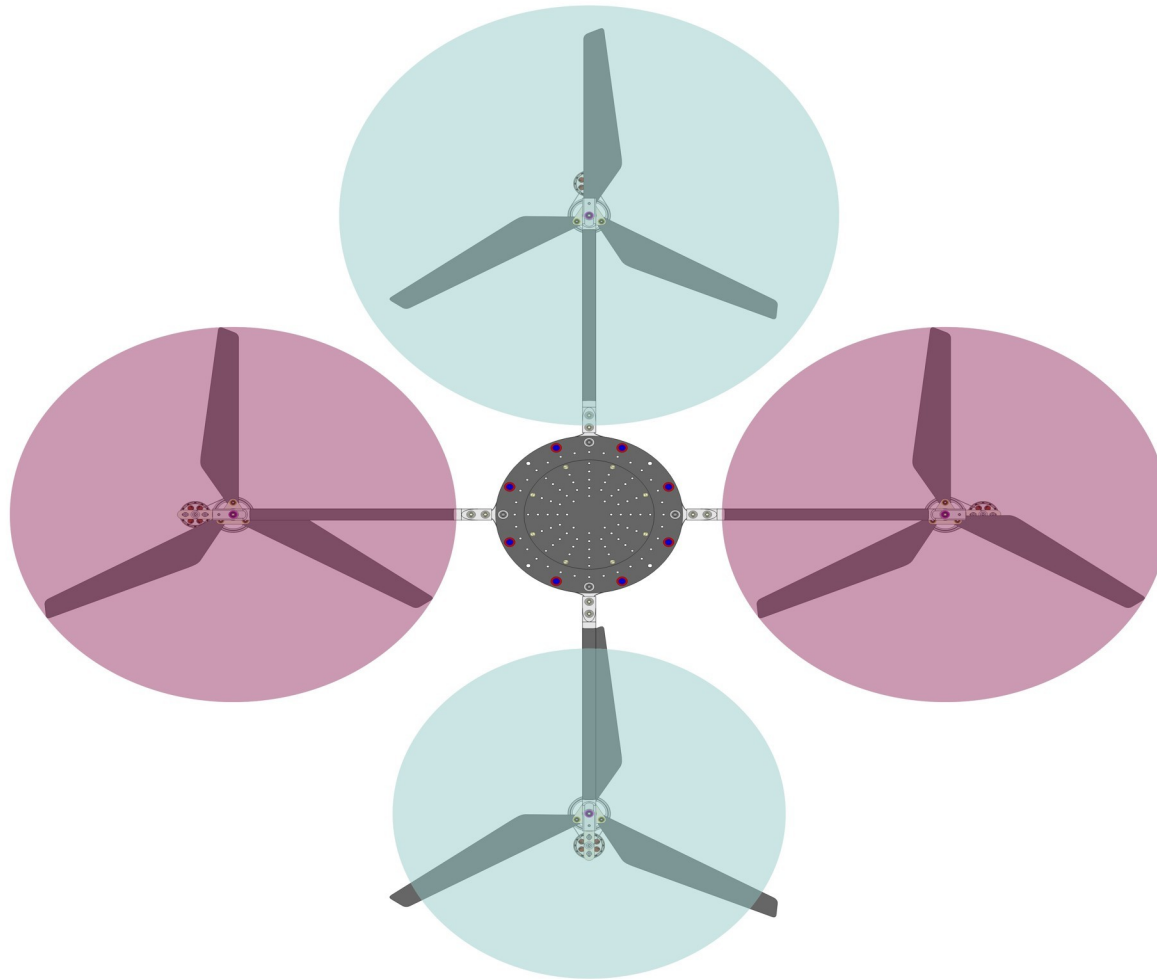
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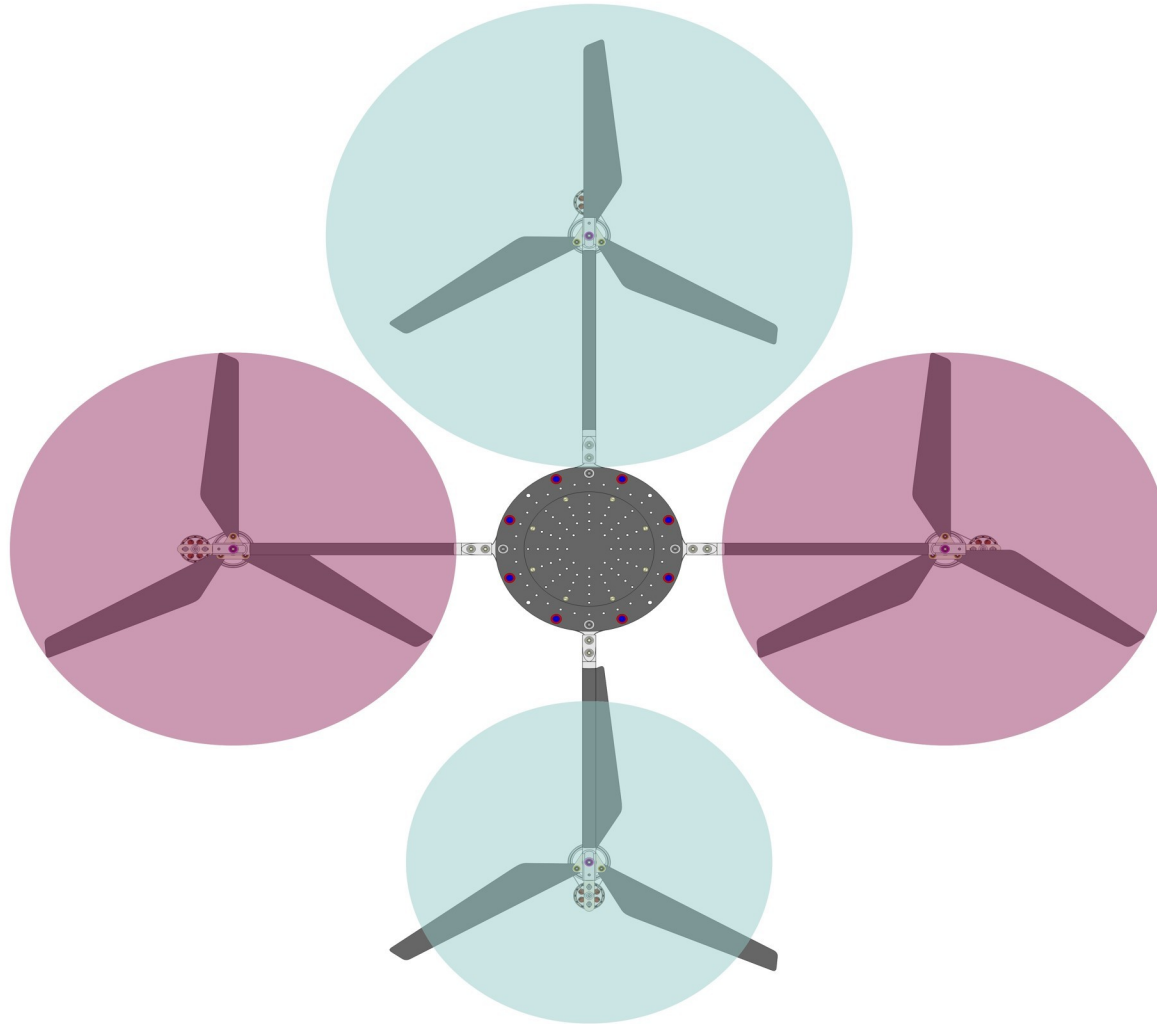
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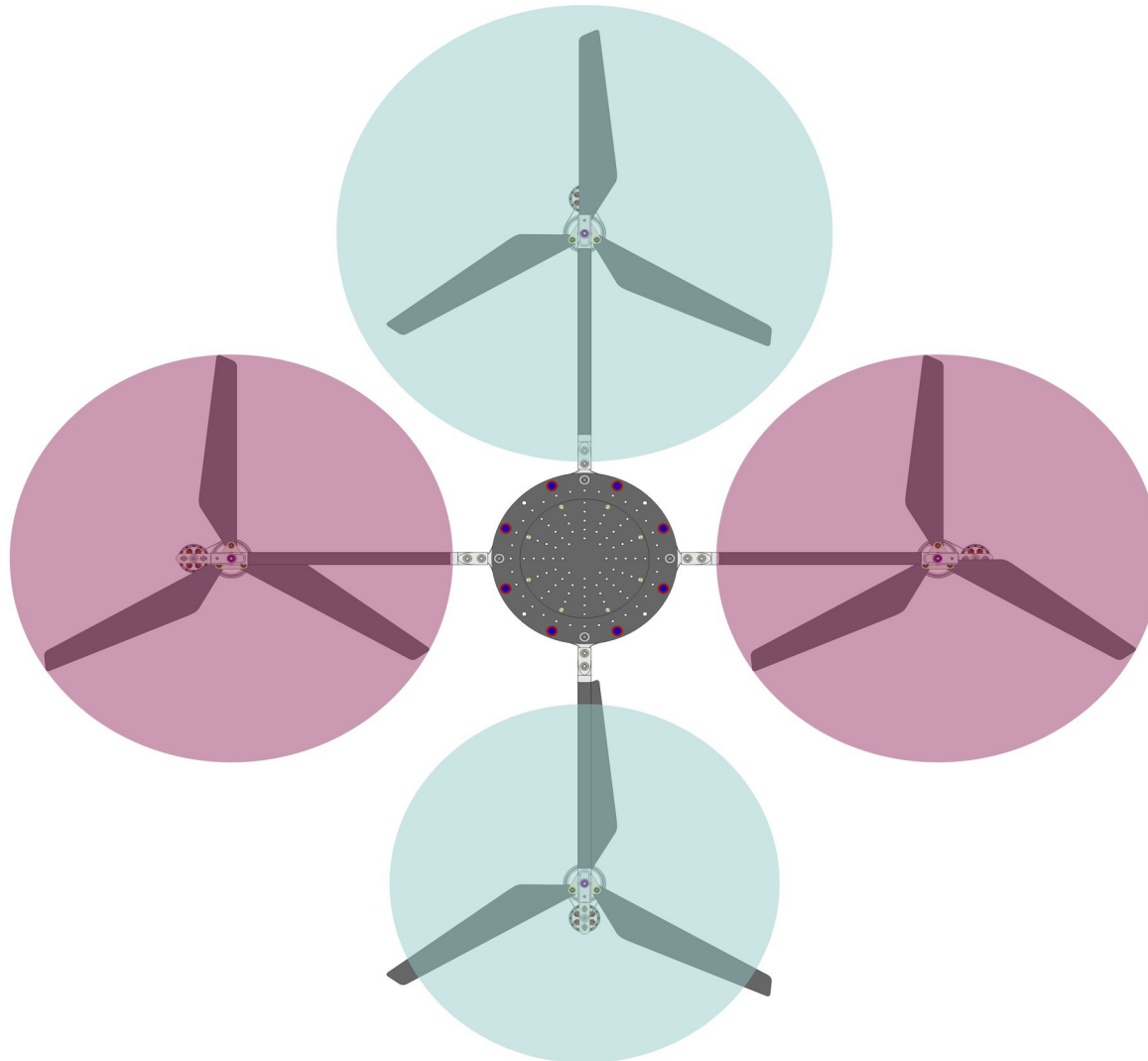
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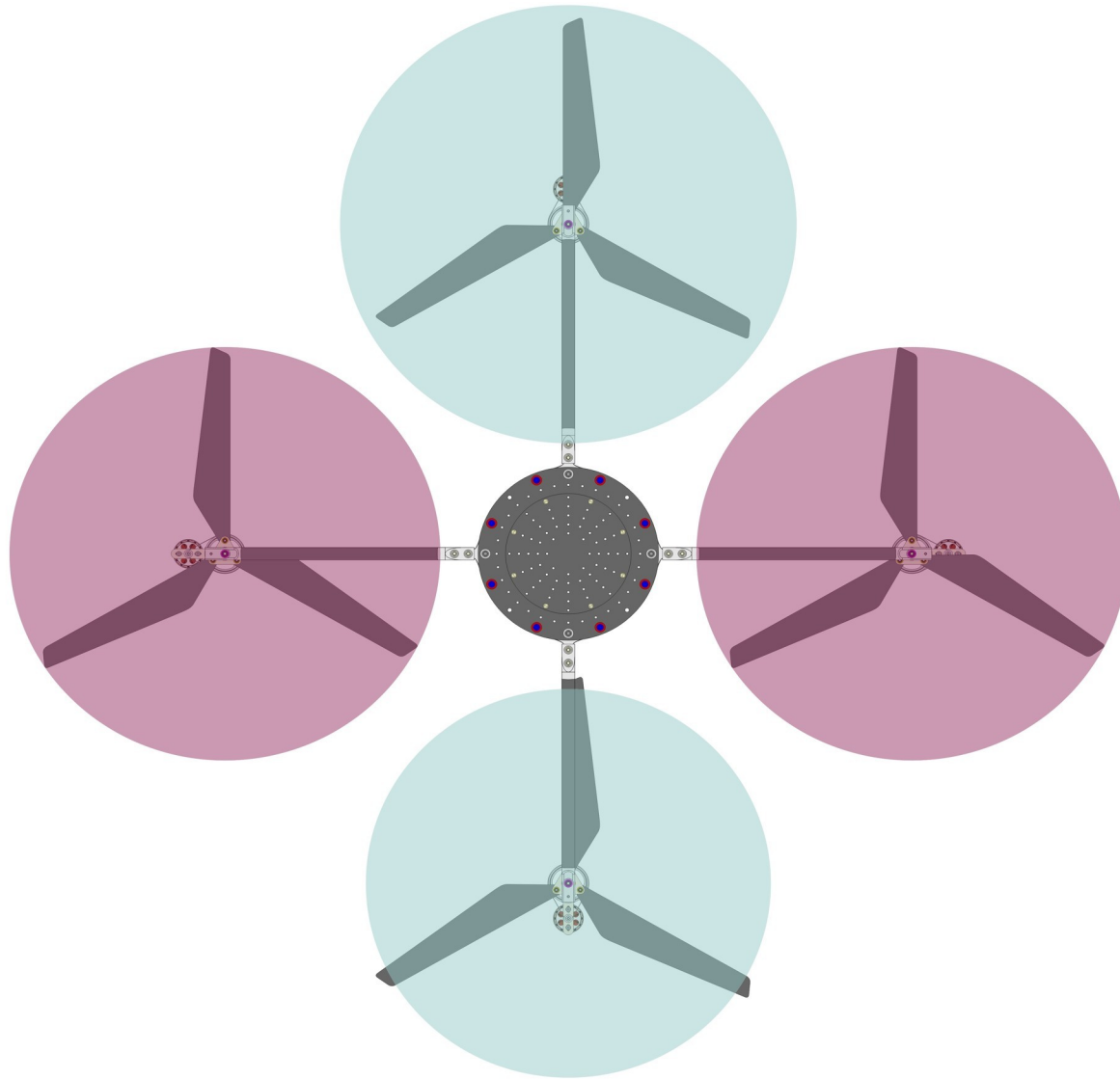
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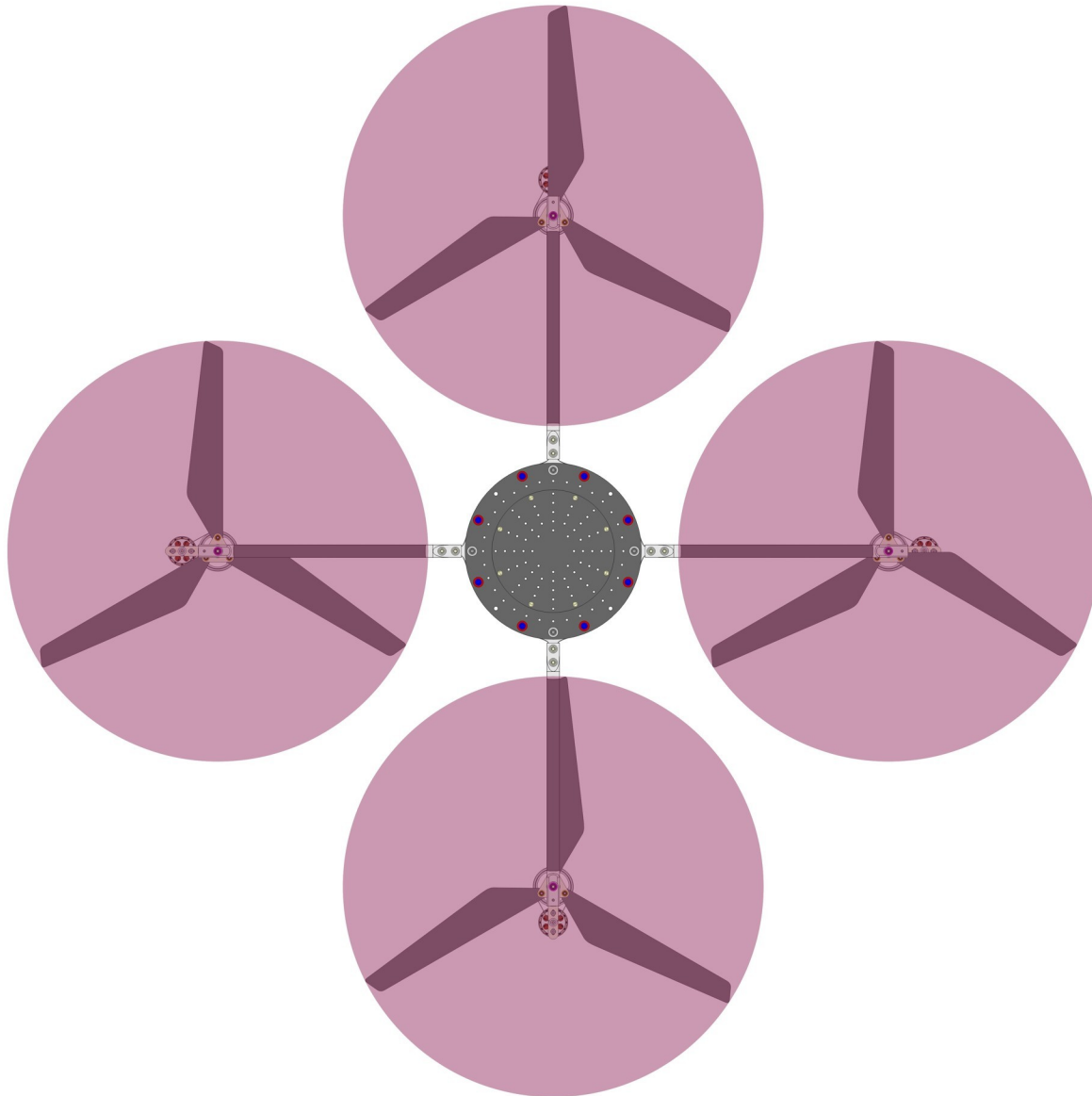
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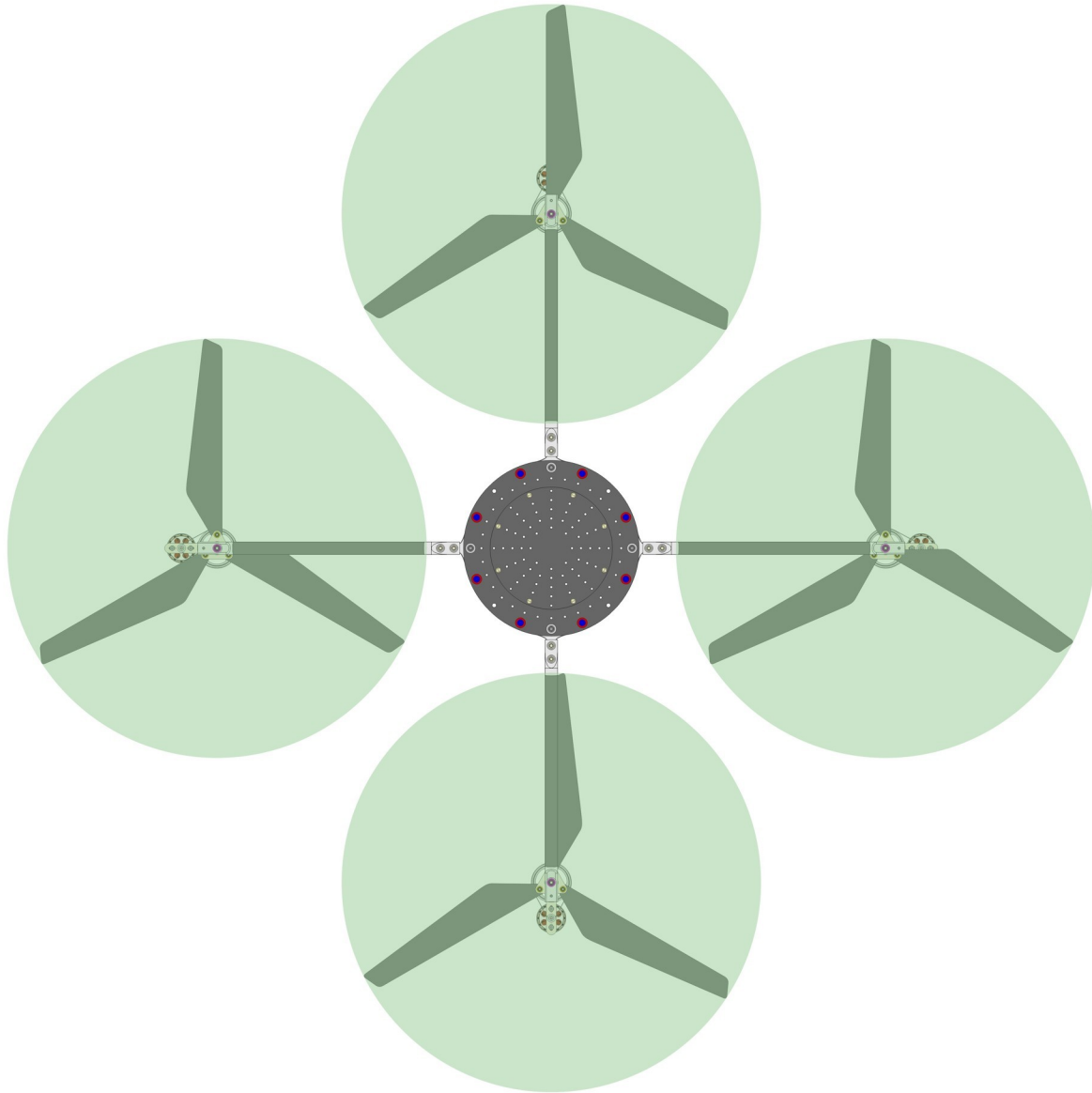
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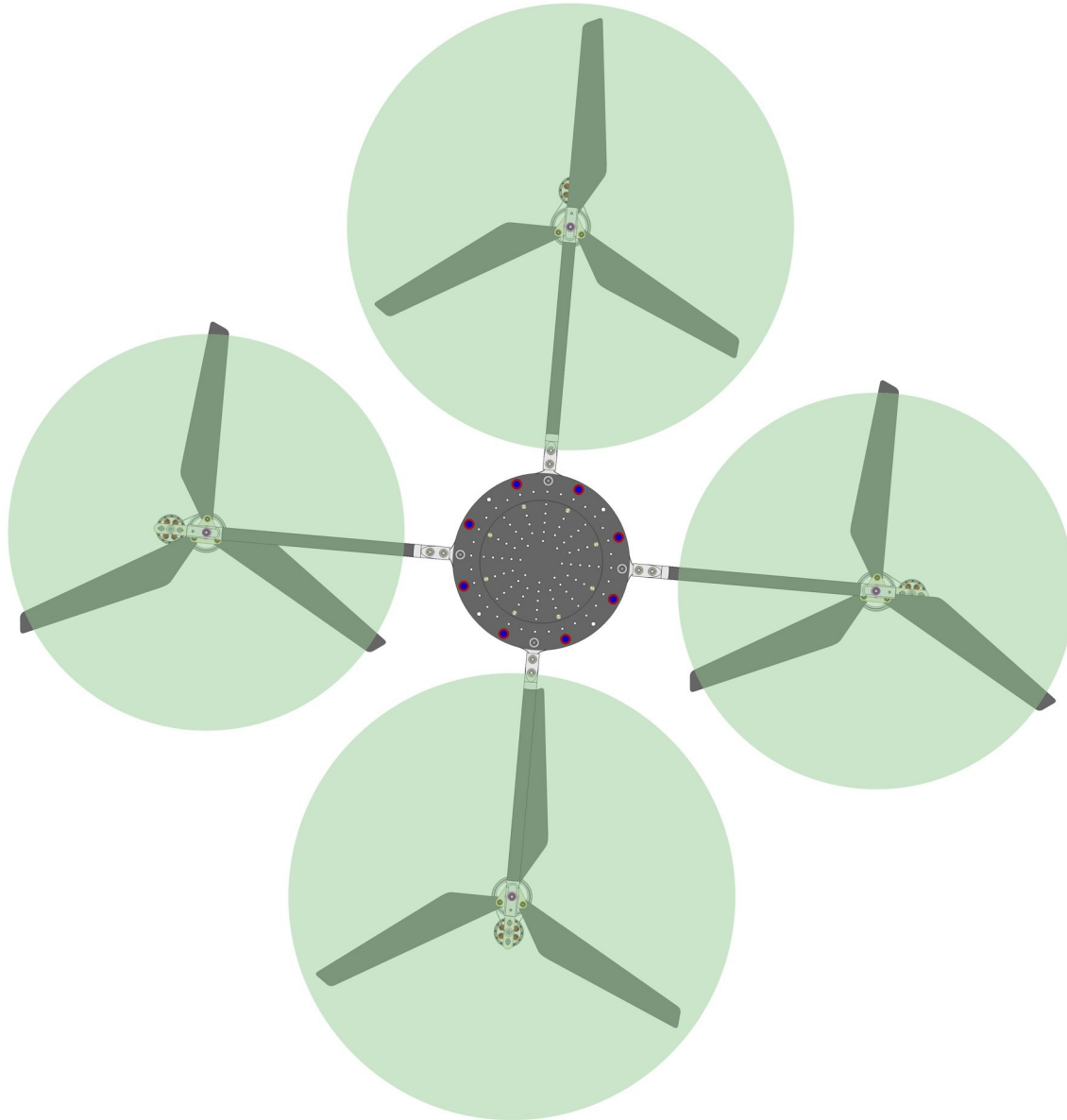
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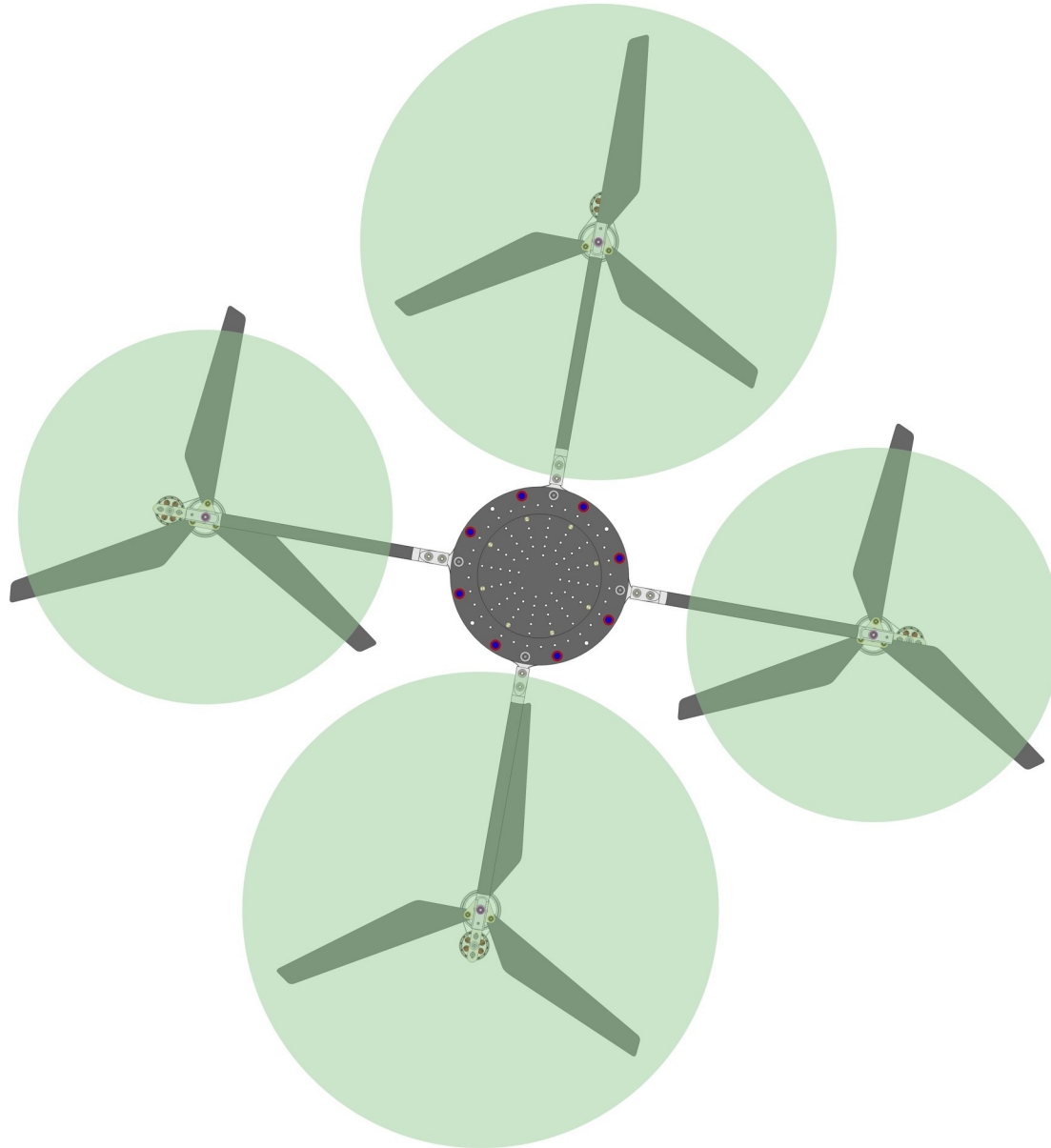
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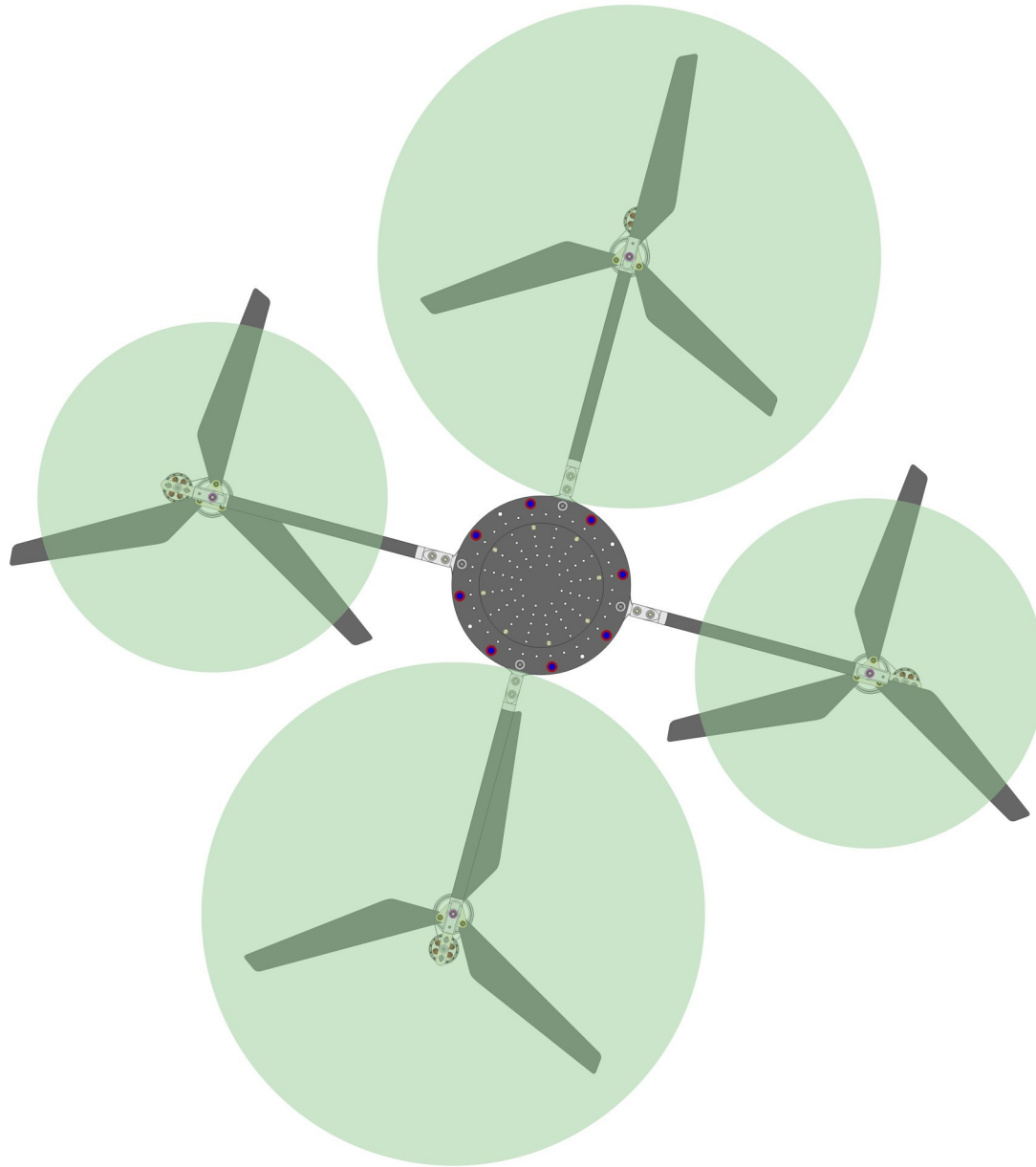
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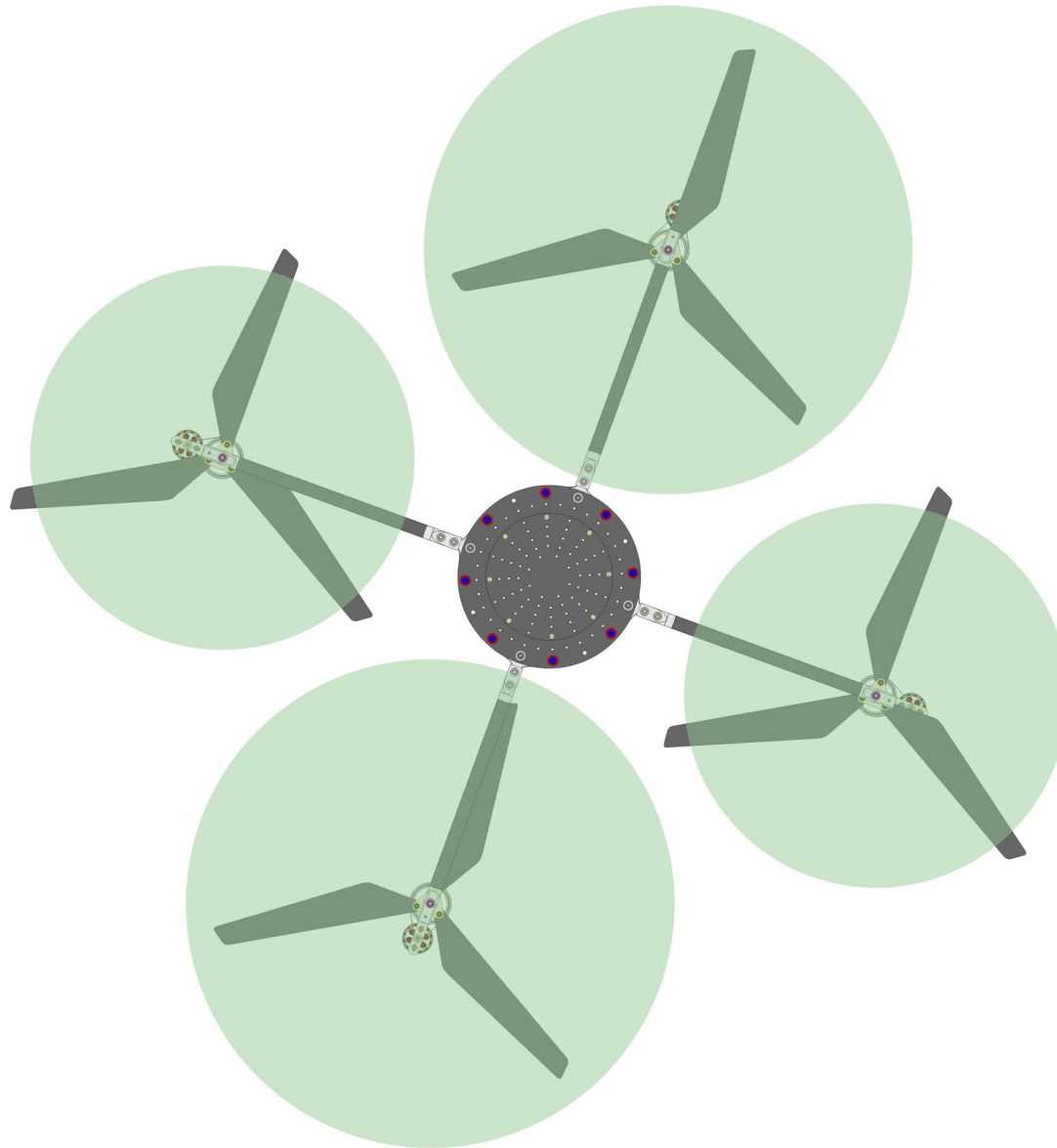
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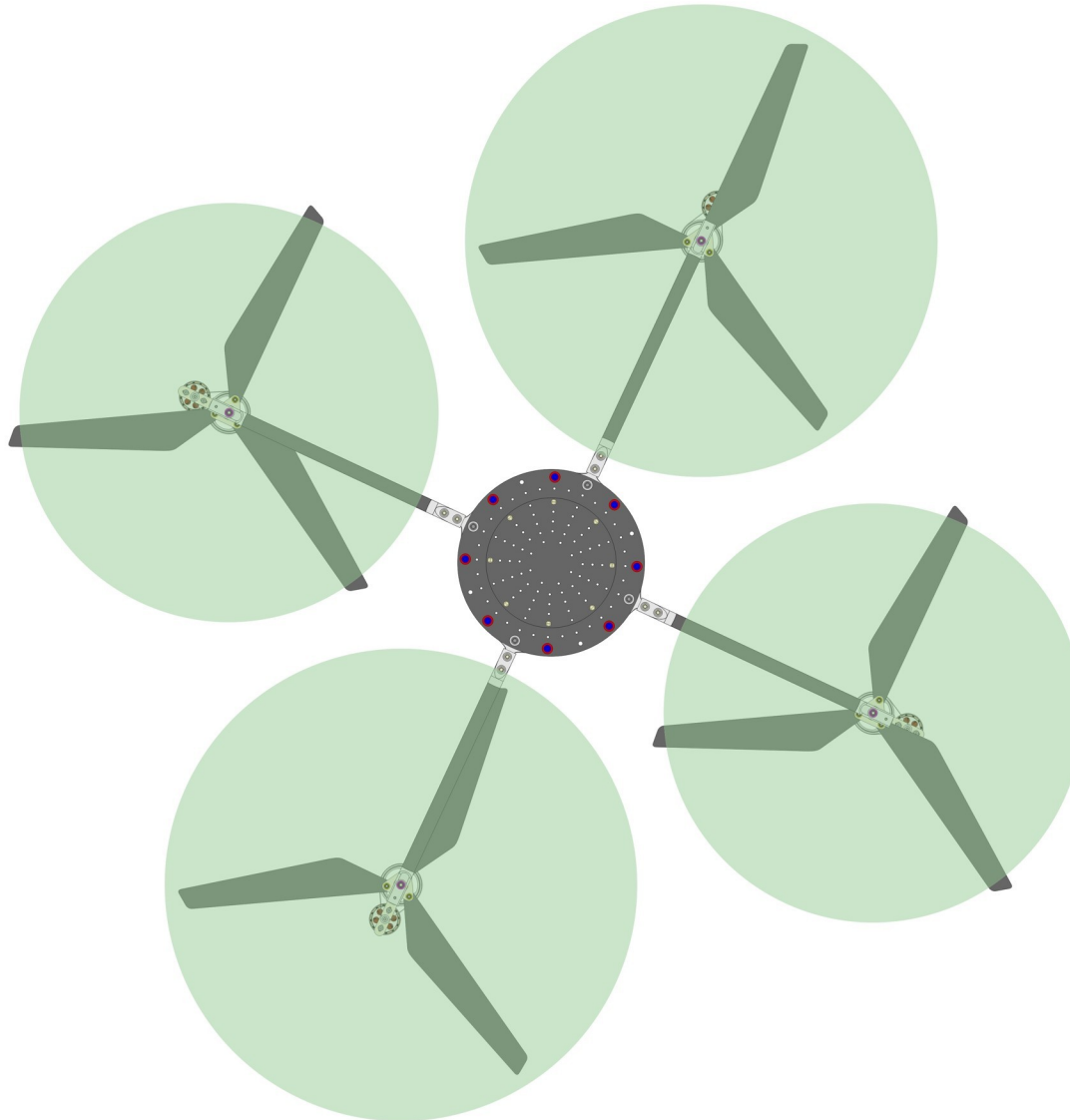
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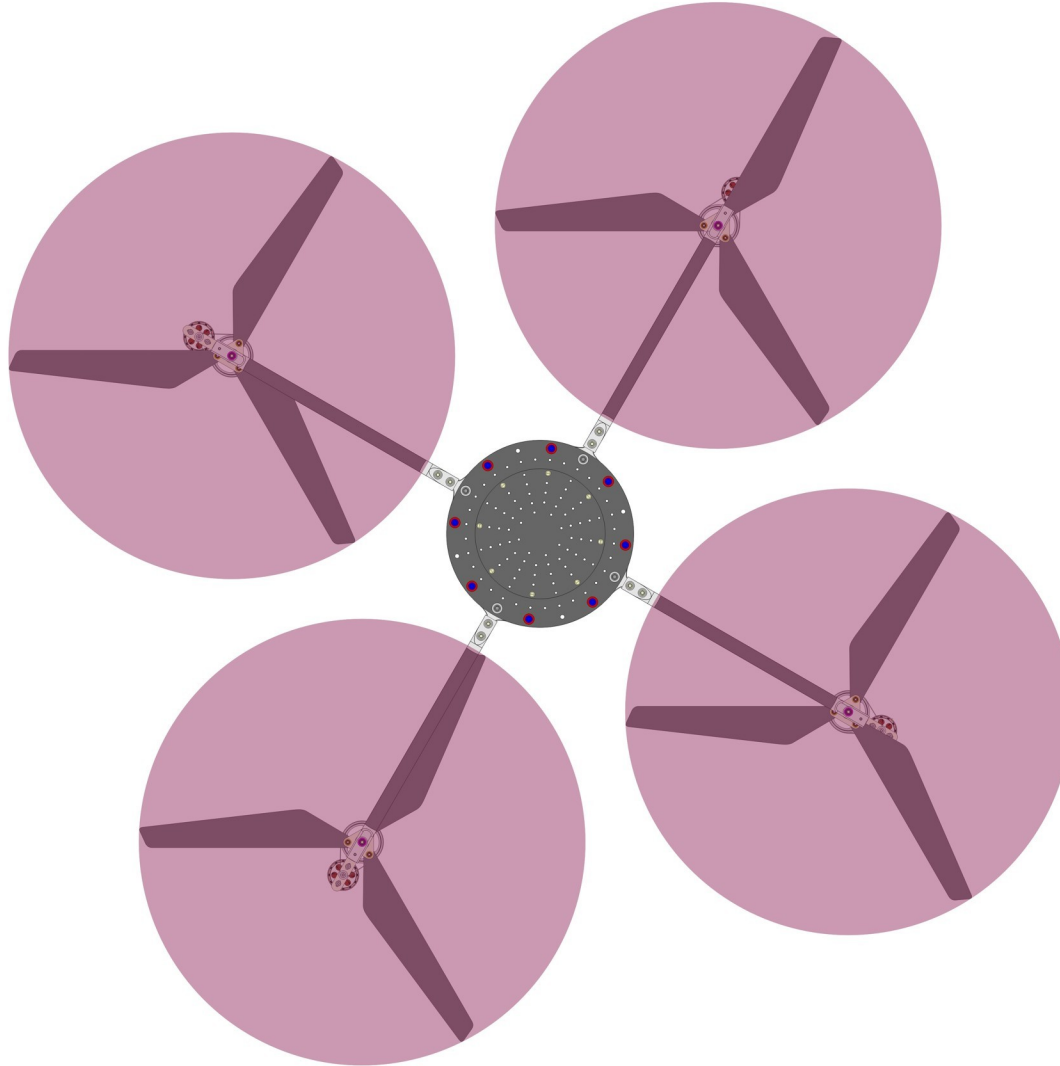
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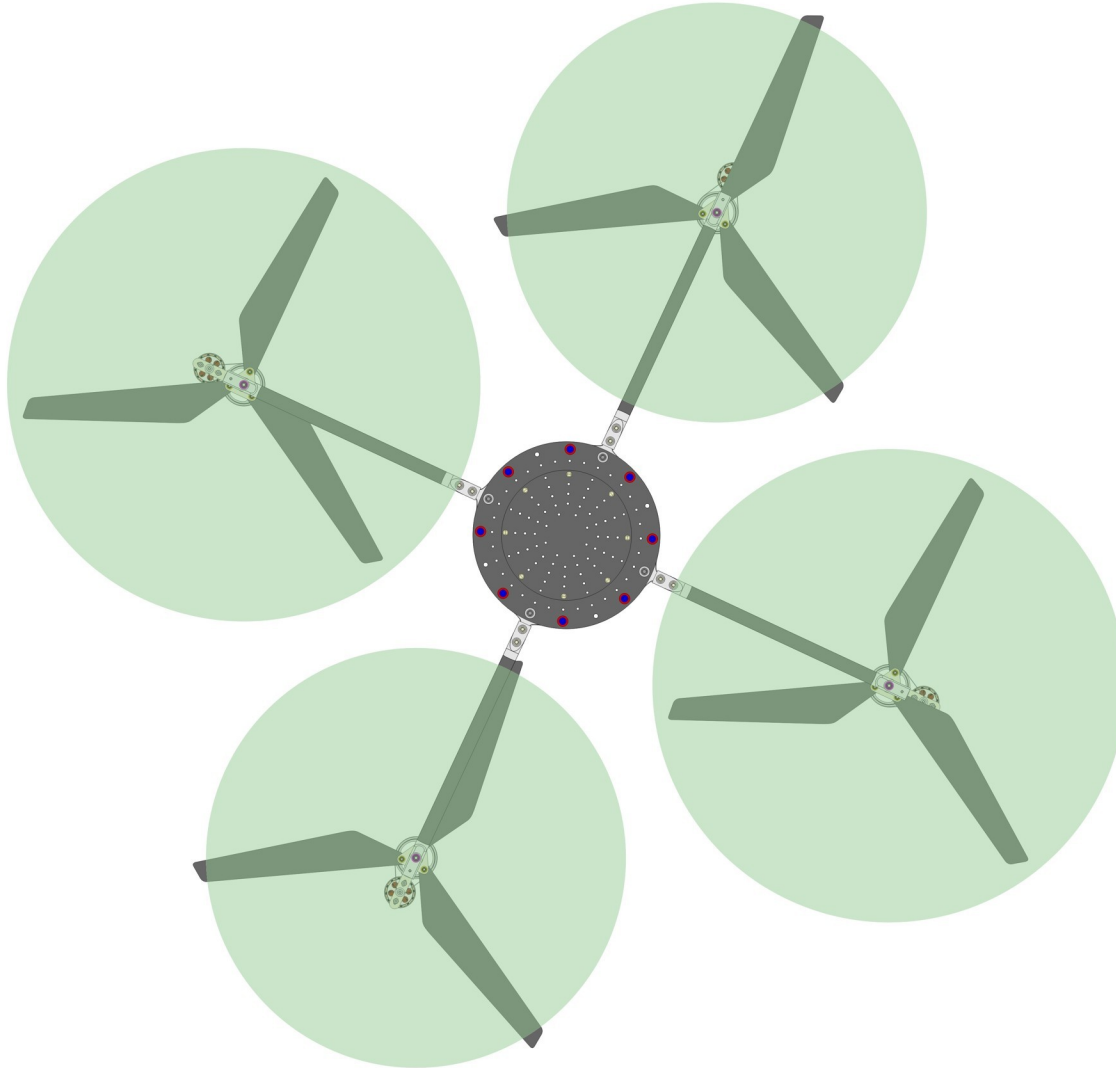
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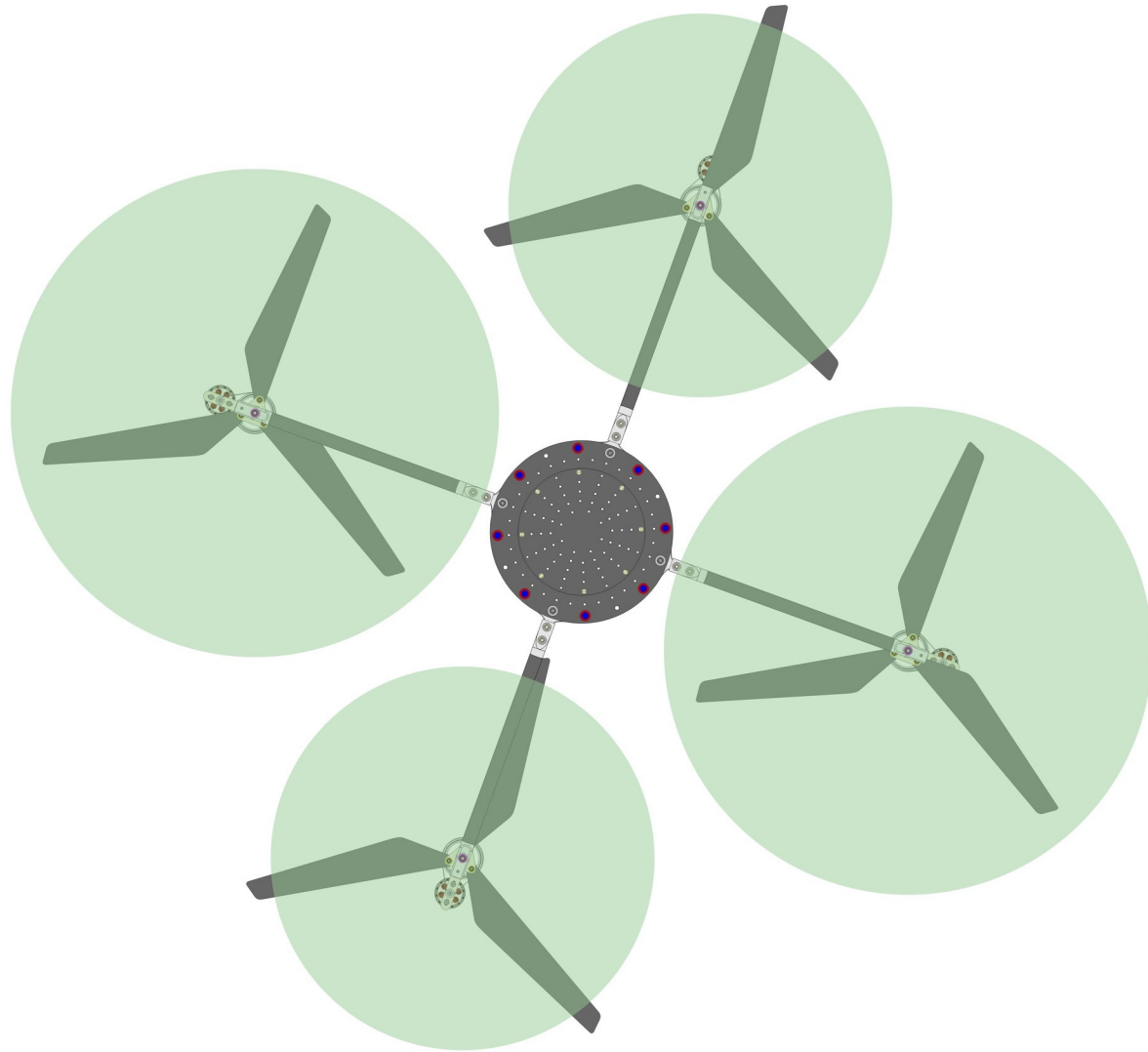
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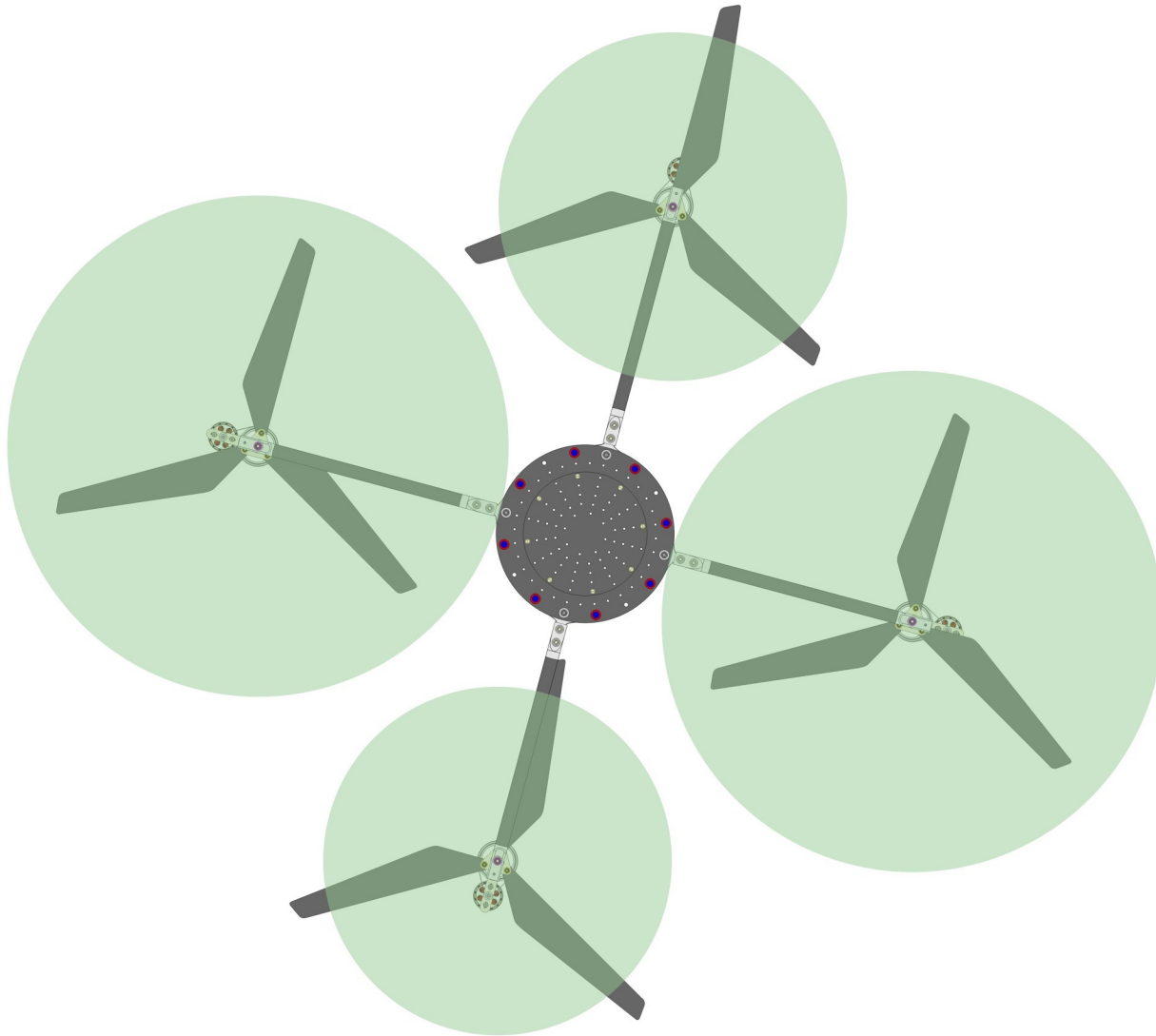
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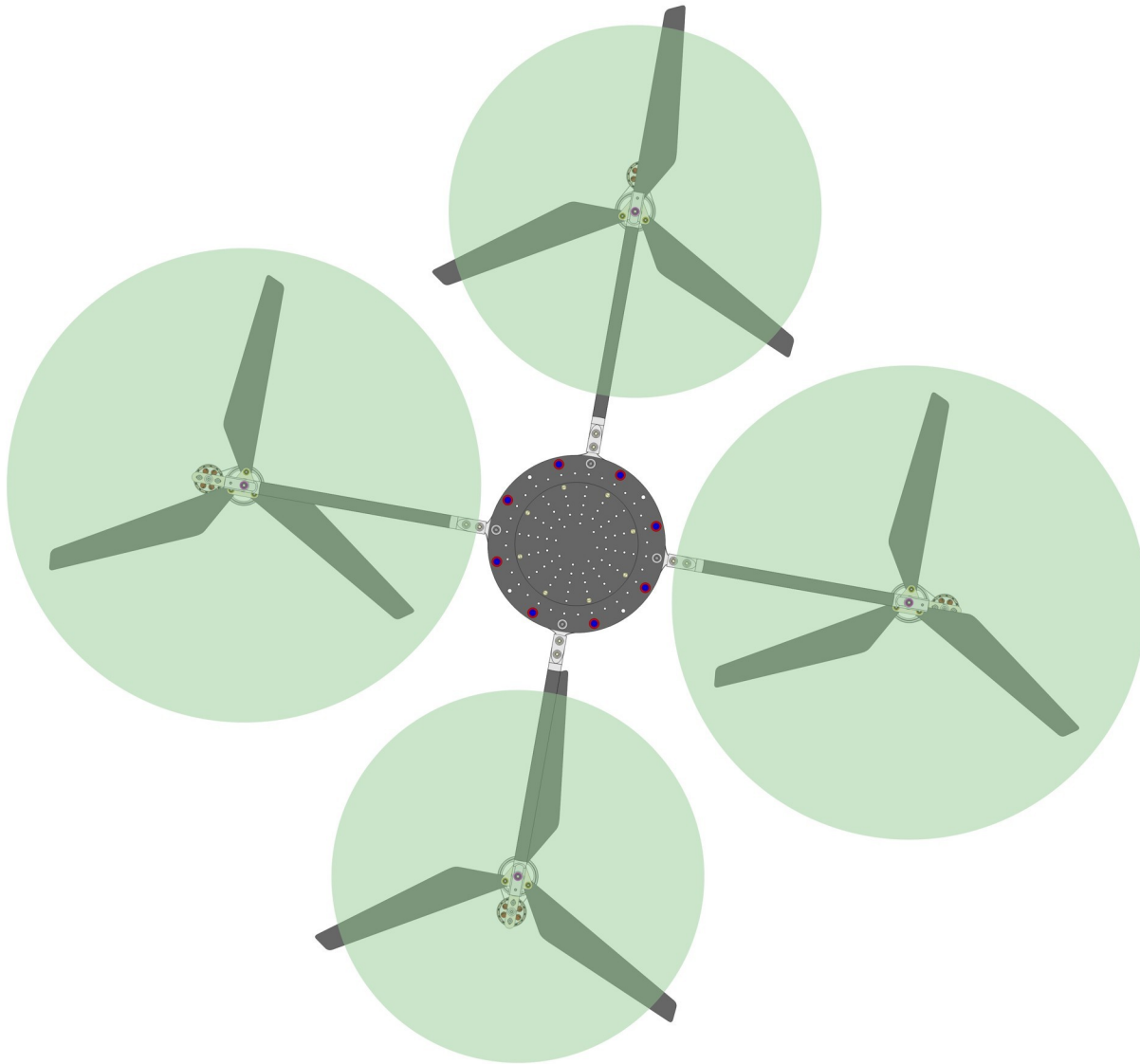
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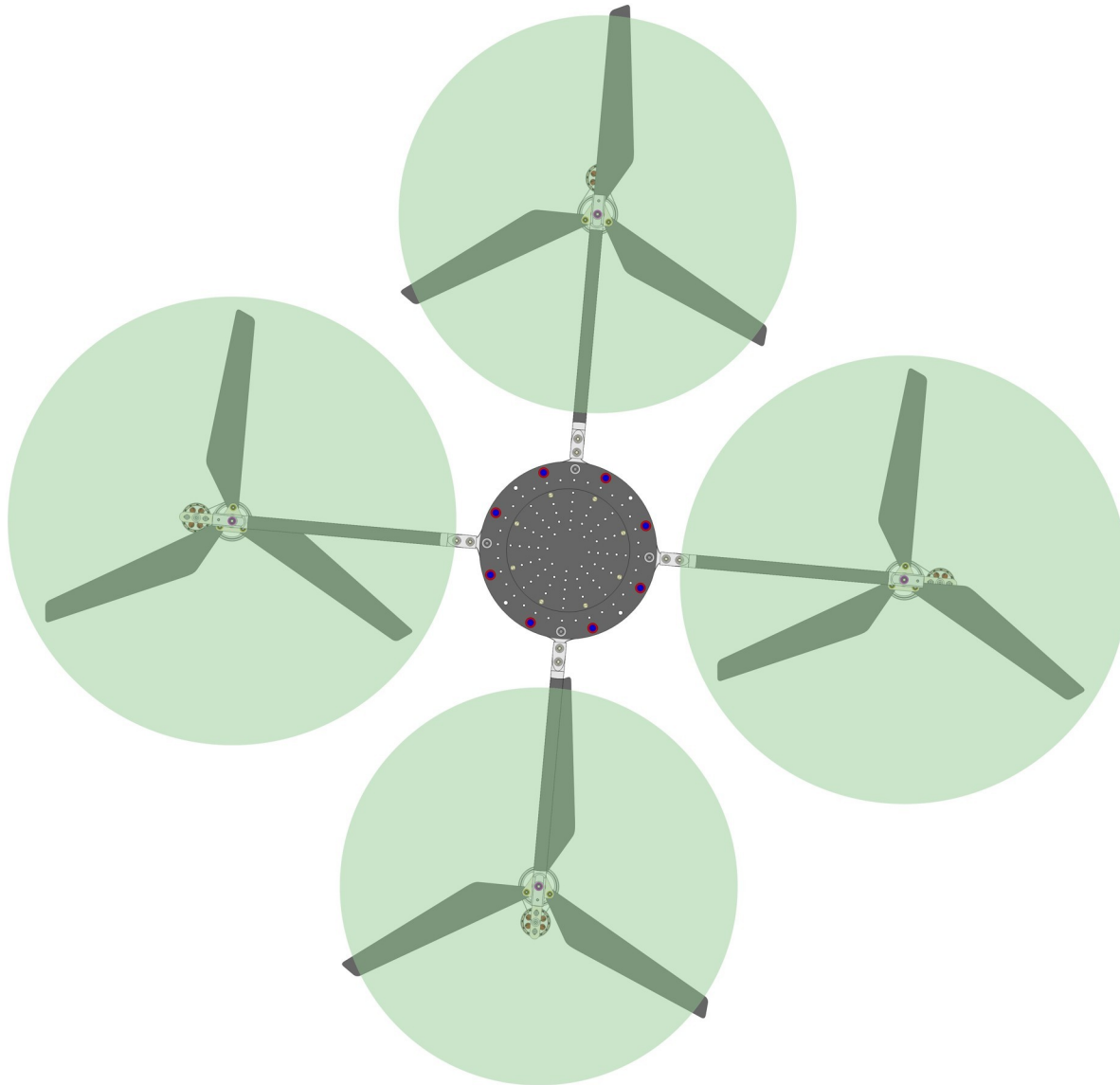
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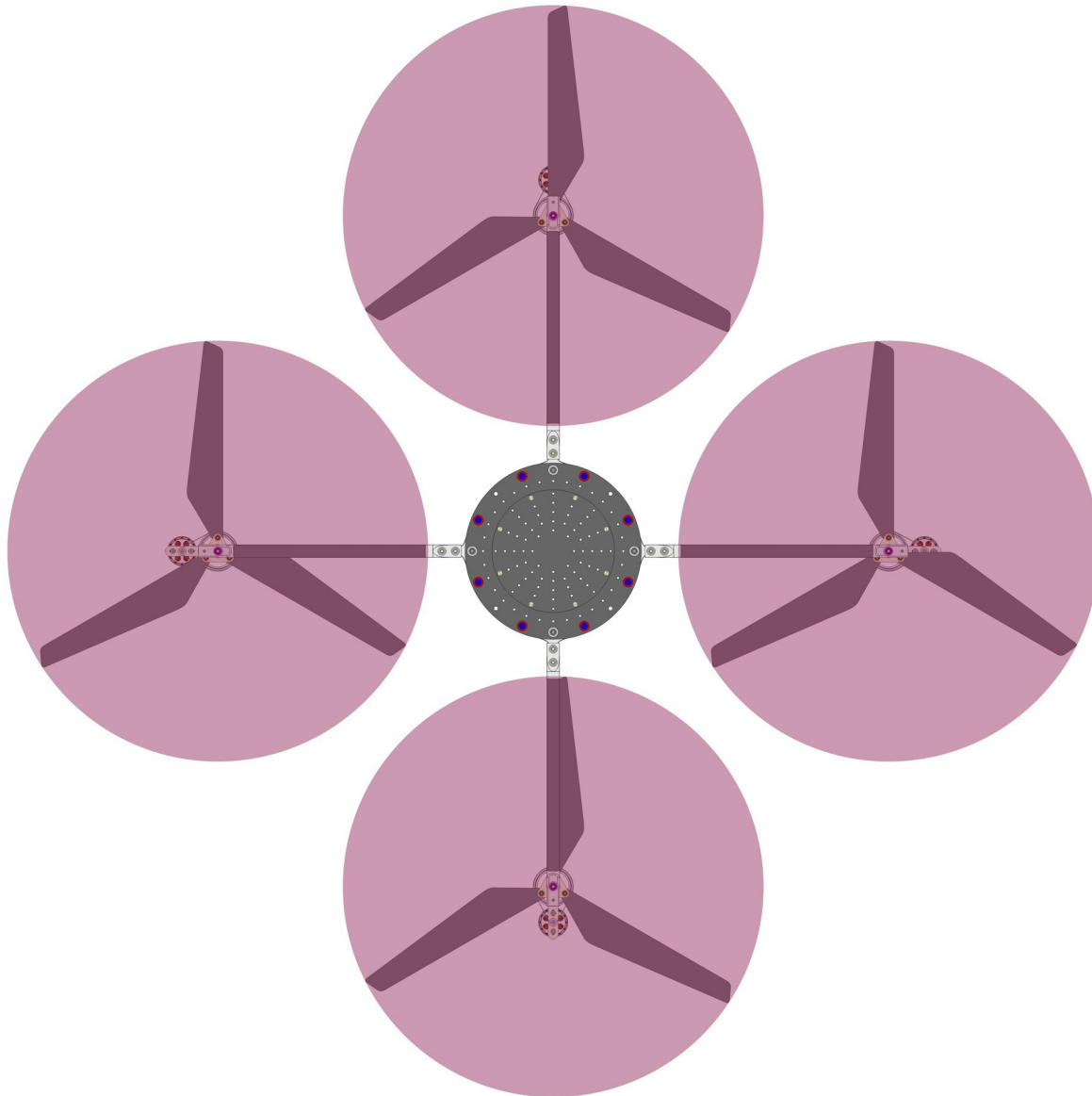
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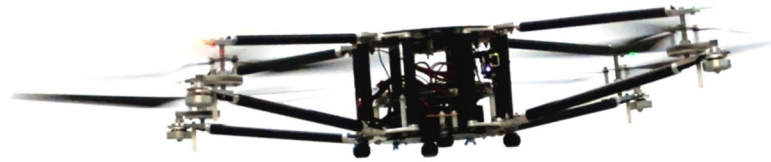
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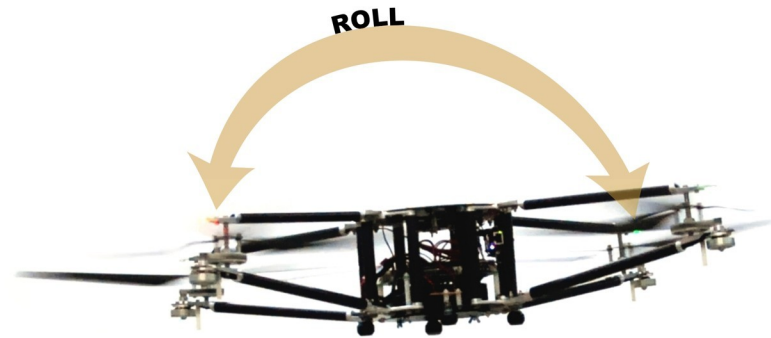
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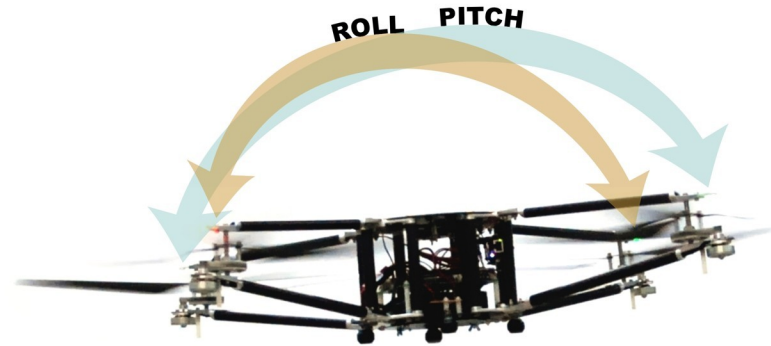
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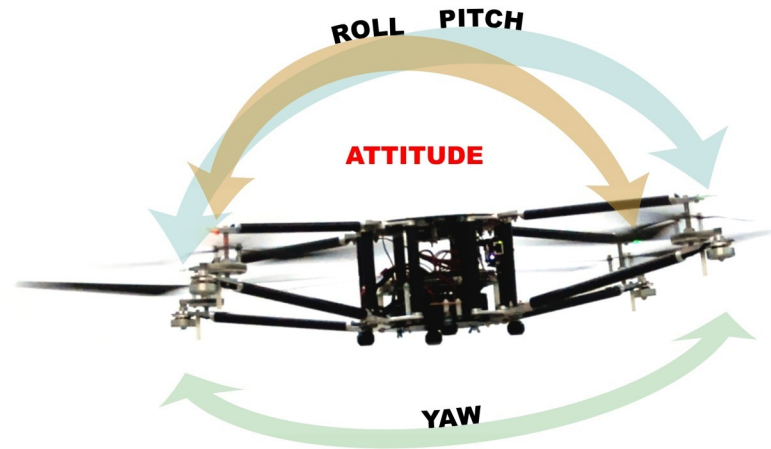
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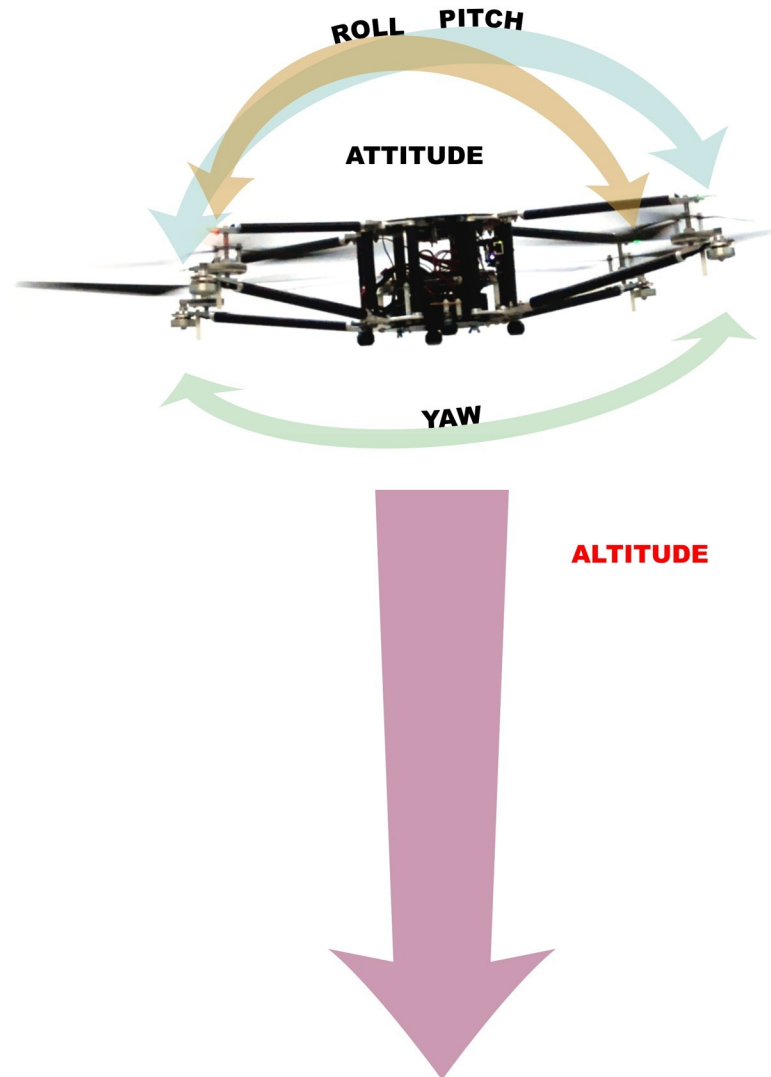
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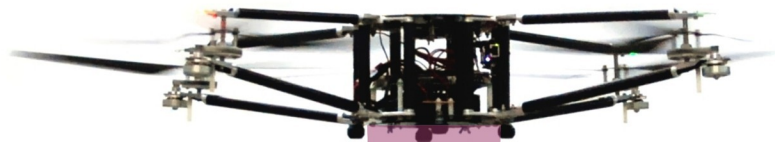
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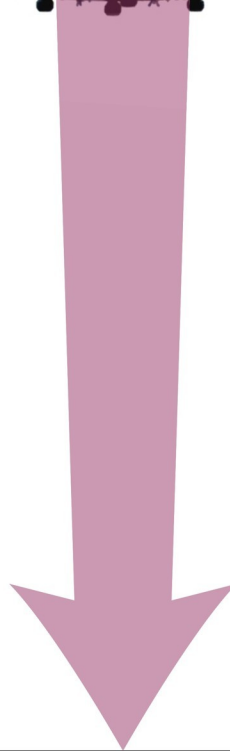
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**Roll/Pitch: 0°**



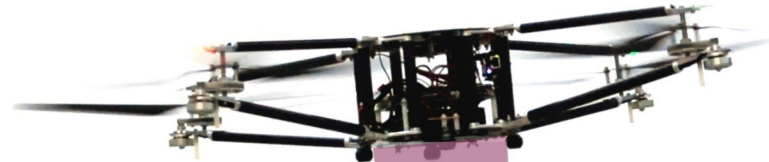
**Thrust required  
to compensate  
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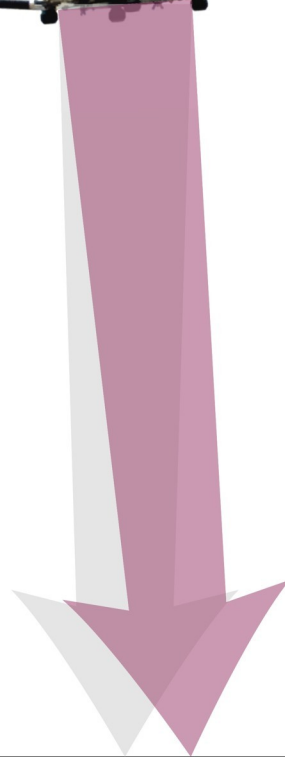
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**Pitch angle:  $5^\circ$**



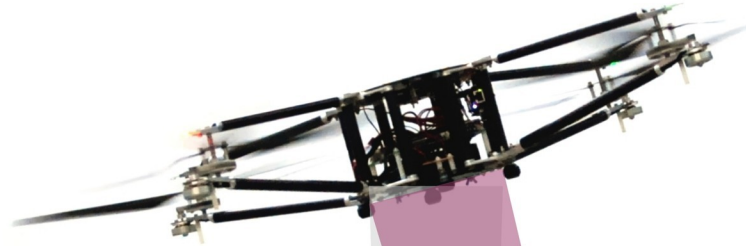
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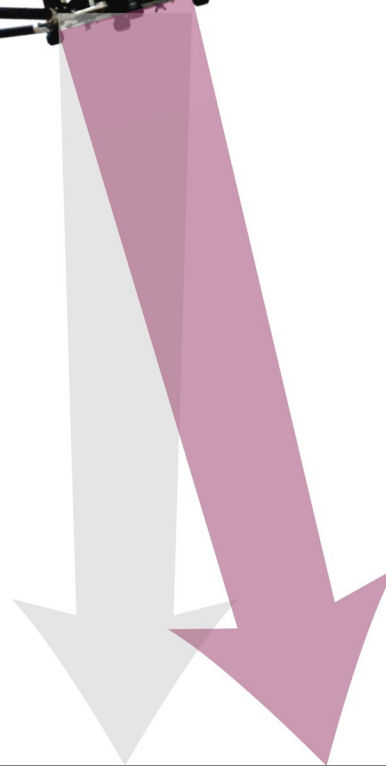
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**Pitch angle:  $15^\circ$**



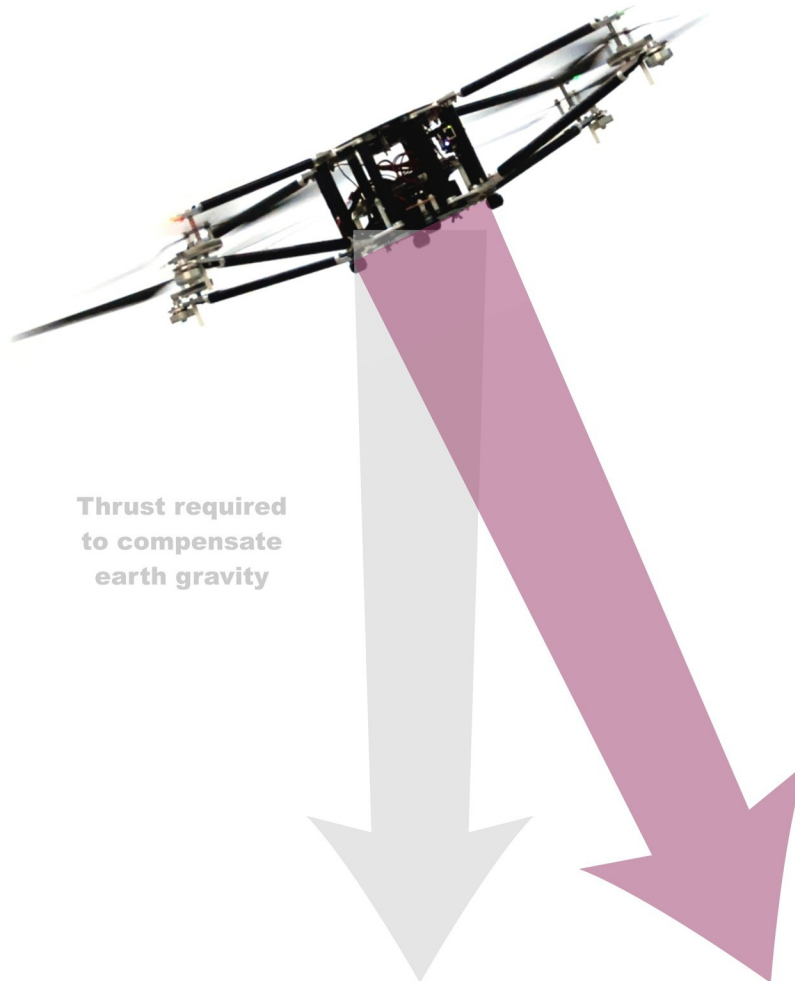
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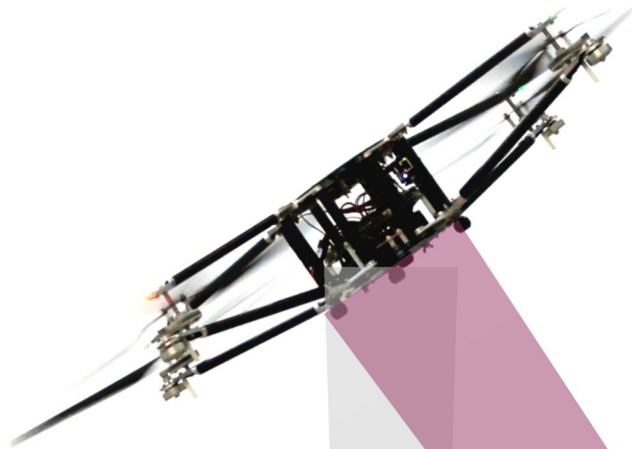
**Pitch angle:  $25^\circ$**



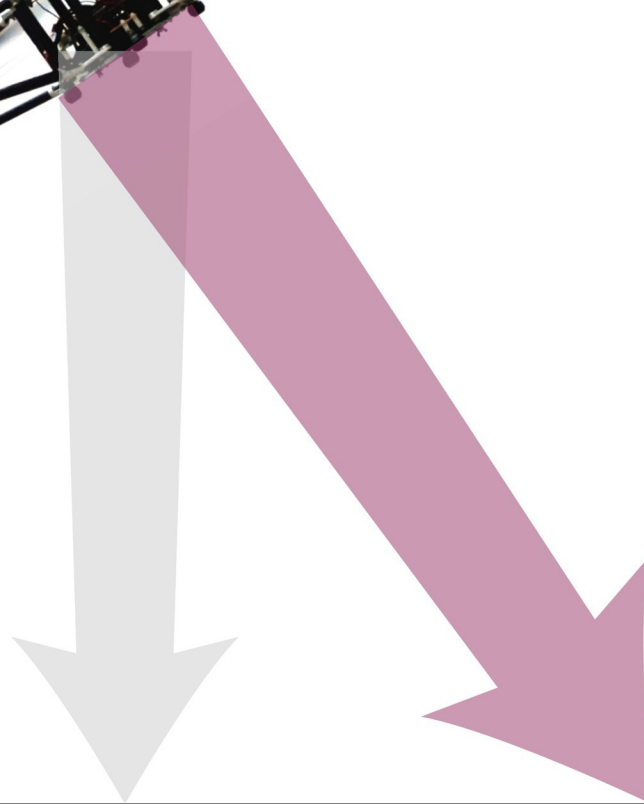
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**Pitch angle:  $35^\circ$**



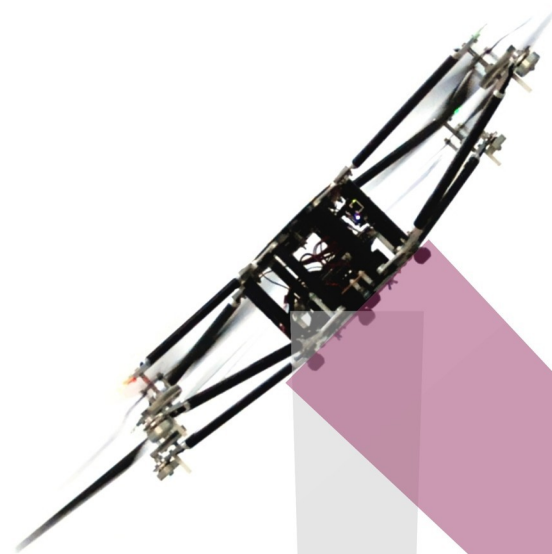
Thrust required  
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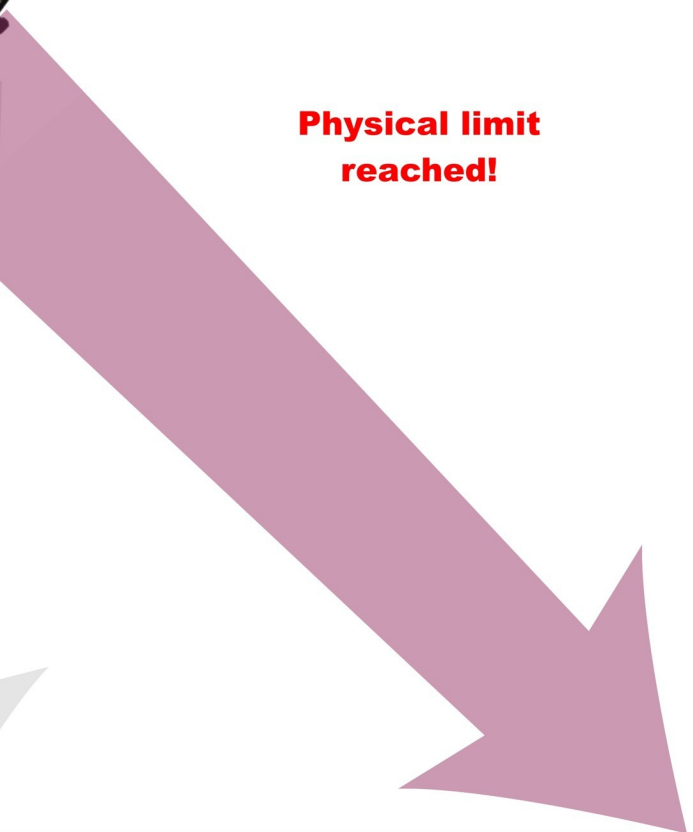
Pitch angle: **45°**



Thrust required  
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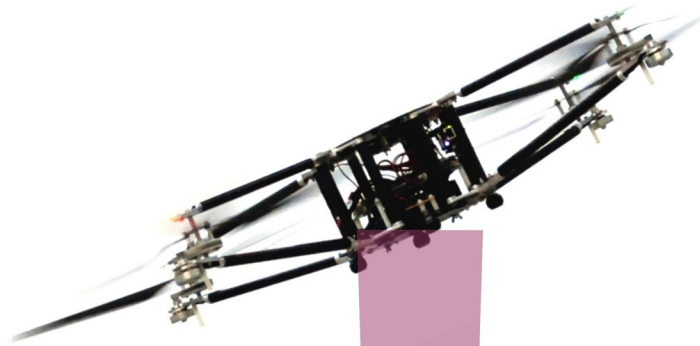
**Physical limit  
reached!**



# Altitude Control

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**Weight-dependent basic thrust**

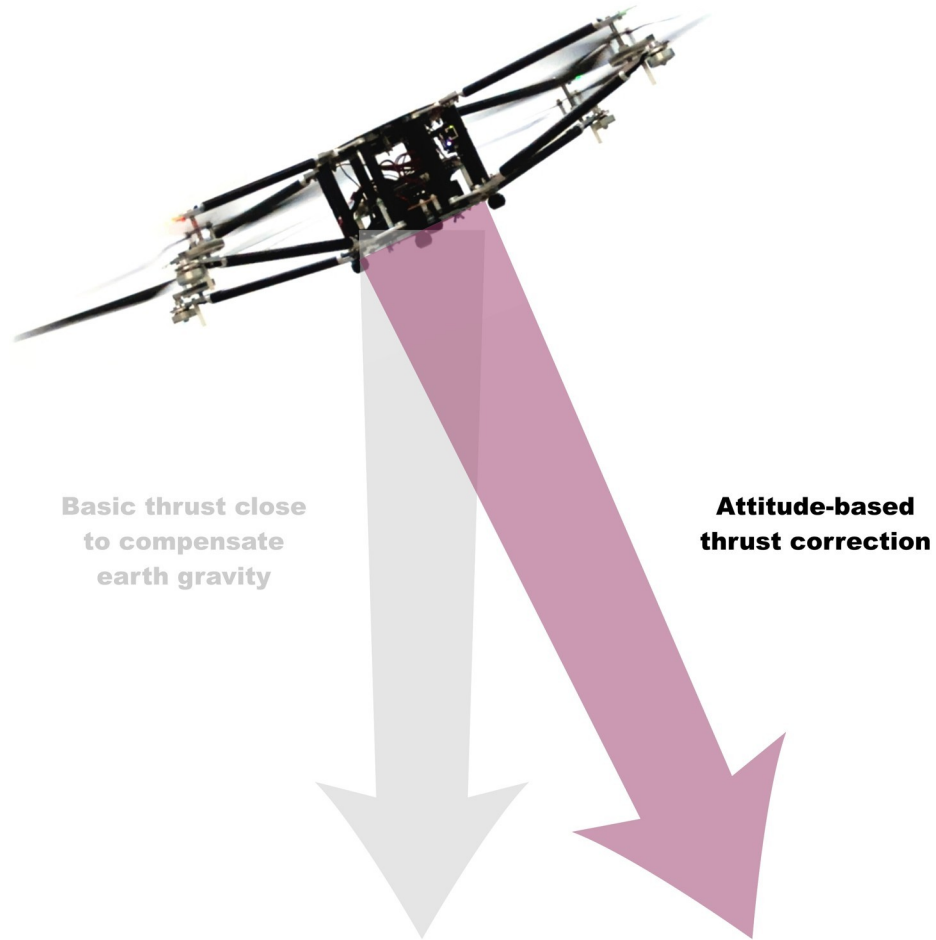


**Basic thrust close  
to compensate  
earth gravity**

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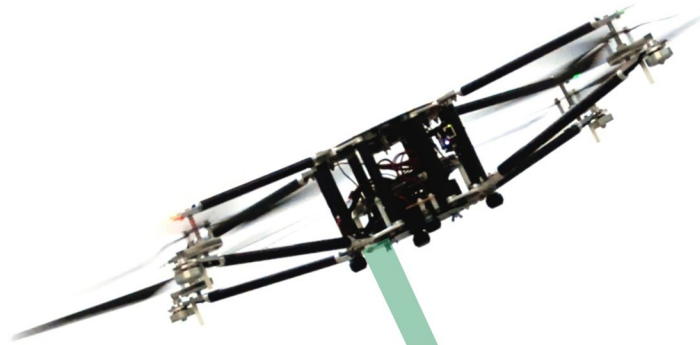
## Weight-dependent basic thrust



# Altitude Control

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**Altitude from sonar sensor**

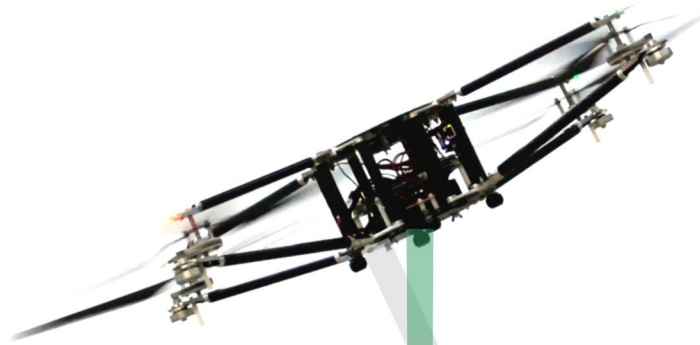


**Altitude measured  
by sonar sensor**

# Altitude Control

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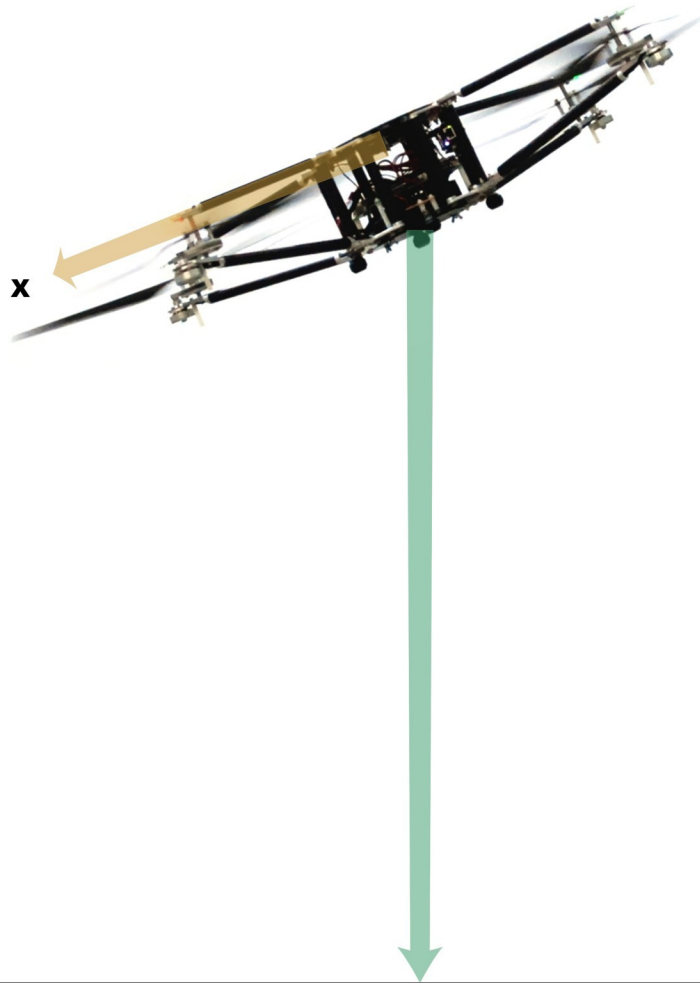
**Attitude-based  
altitude correction**

**Altitude measured  
by sonar sensor**

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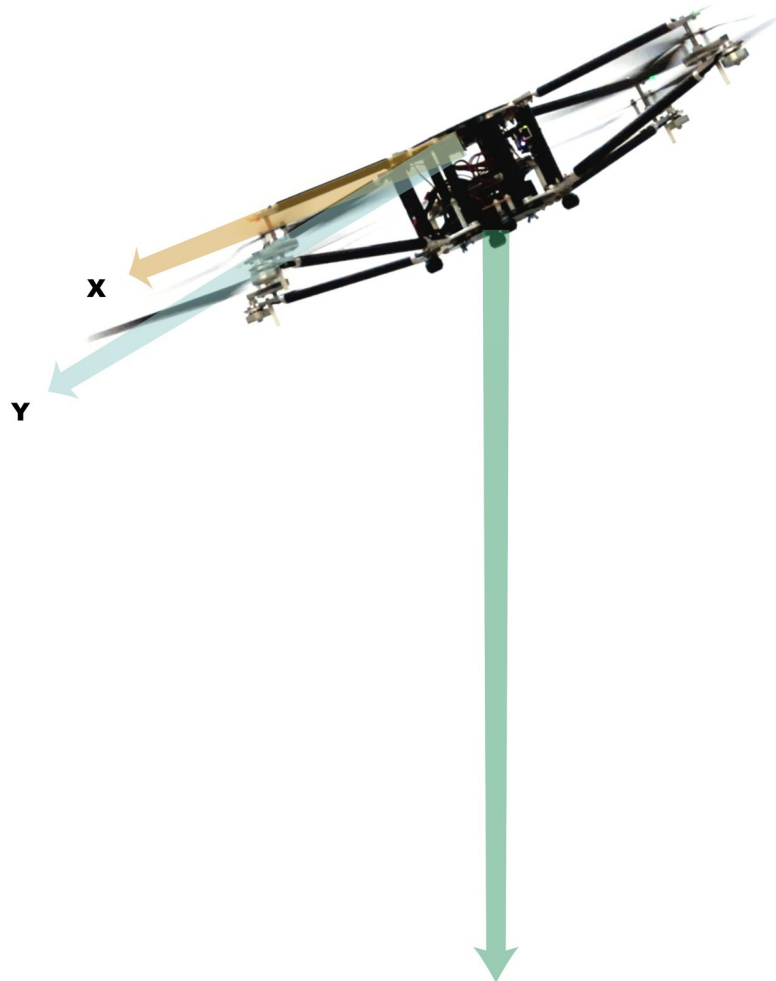
Altitude from sonar sensor  
Linear accelerations from IMU



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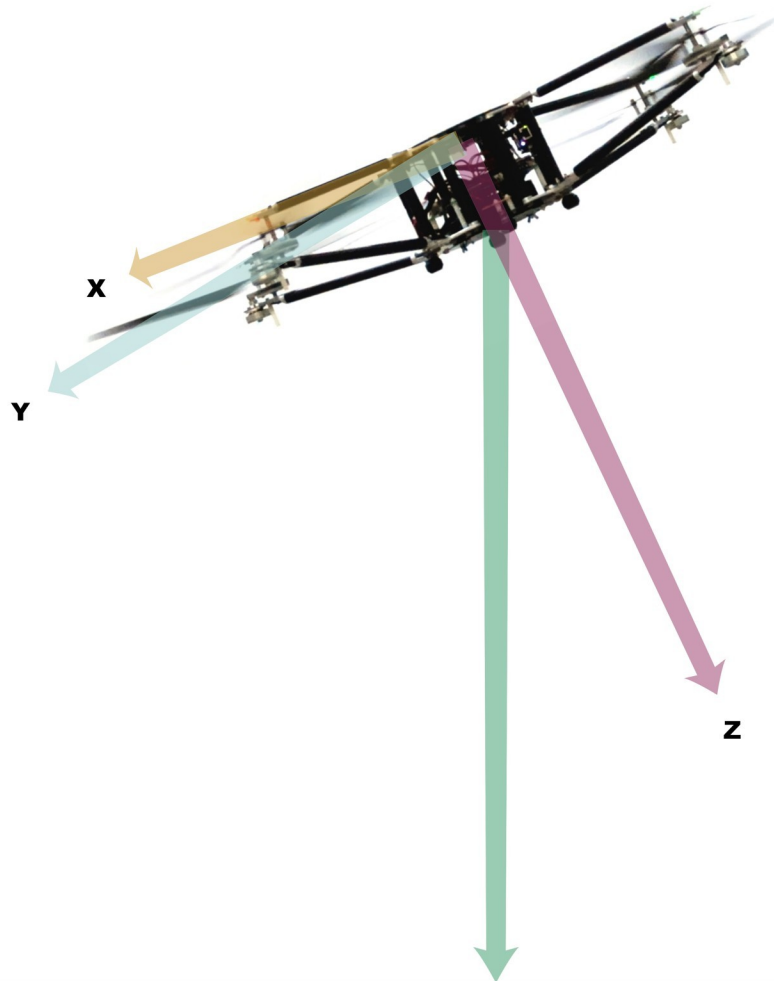
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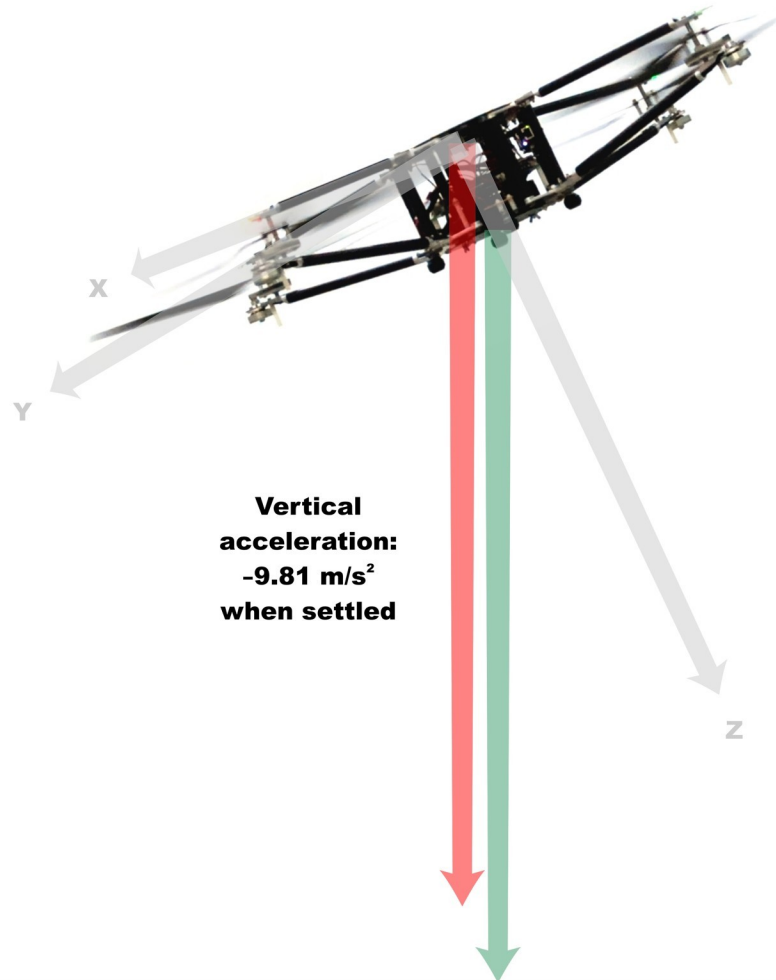
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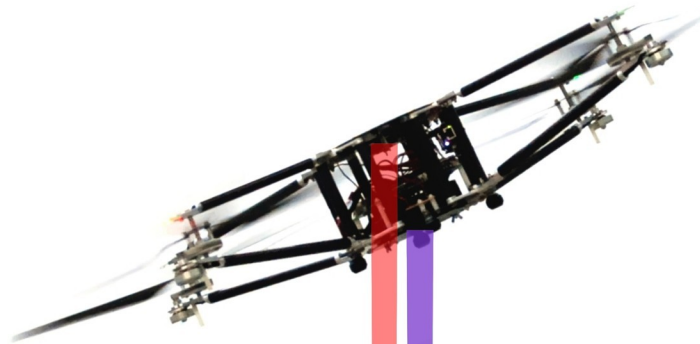
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**Velocity from Kalman filter**

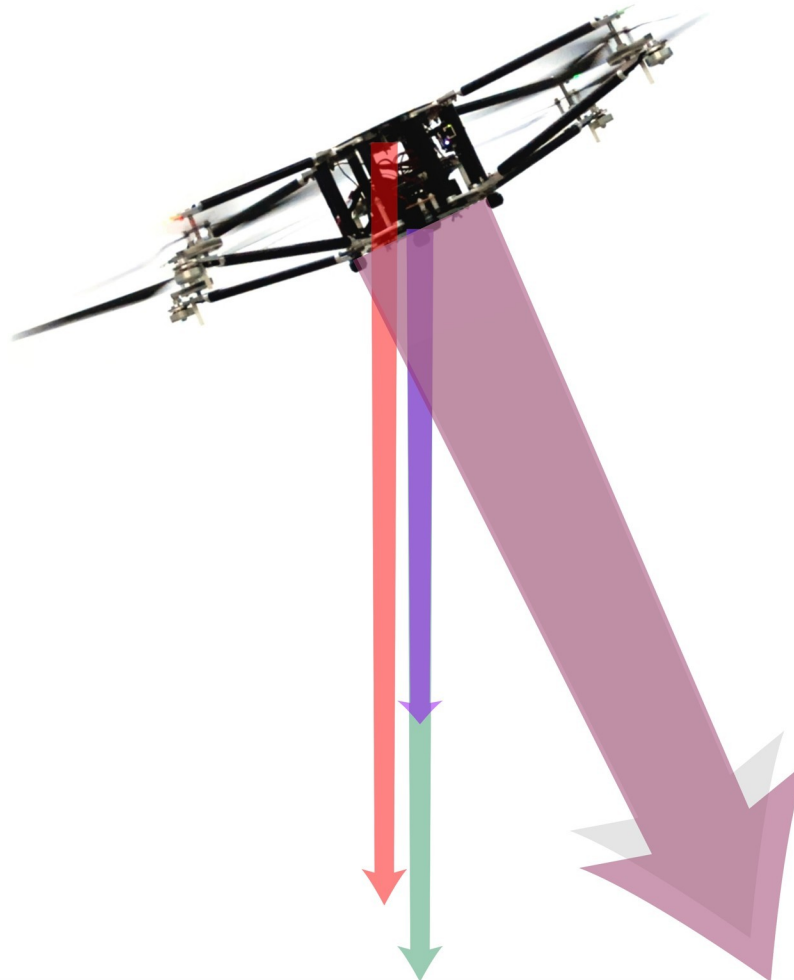


**Kalman-estimated  
velocity: computed  
from altitude and  
acceleration**

# Altitude Control

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**Altitude from sonar sensor**  
**Linear accelerations from IMU**  
**Velocity from Kalman filter**



**Altitude controller  
compensates  
remaining error**

# Flying the JAviator

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# Improvements

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- Hardware

- More sophisticated sonar sensor at 100 Hz
- IMU set to 100 Hz to match sonar frequency
- Motor signals with Fast PWM at 250 Hz

- Software

- Controllers extended from PID to PIDD
- Acceleration term used for **dampening**
- More complex filtering incorporated

# The Great Break-Through

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# Thank You!

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## Questions?