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# Drone Disabling Device Virtual Design Review 4

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Develop a device to secure specified air space from unmanned flight vehicles. There needs to be an improvement upon functionality, size, and overall use.

## **Key Goals**



- Improve speed and accuracy of drone-detecting functionality
- Reduce size of drone disabling apparatus to the size of a rifle
- Increase range of device functionality to a 50 ft dome
- Adhere to all safety, legal, and environmental regulations

# **Project Scope**

## **Stakeholders**

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## **Intended Markets**

### • Primary Market:

- Government
- Military operatives
- Law Enforcement

### • Secondary Market:

- Contractors,
- Private security
- Defense companies

# Assumptions

• Device primarily used in defense and security operations

• Not intended for civilian use

• Intended target is unauthorized civilian drones



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## Targets

Target Values								
Target No.	Need	Metric	Importance	Units	Marginal Value	Ideal Value		
1	2, 10	Assembly & Disassembly Time	5	min	60	5		
2	10	Weight of Device	5	lbs	30	10		
3	4,5,10	Disabling Range	3	ft3	30	50		
4	10	Target Acquisition Speed	4	s	20	5		
5	10	Battery Life	3	h	2	3		
6	3,5,10	Frequencies Jammed	3	GHz	2.4	2.4 and 5		
7	2,10	Device reload speed	1	min	5	2		
8	10	Target max drone wingspan	3	in	25	30		
9	10	Target max drone Weight	3	lbs	4	6		
10	1-9	Project Cost	5	\$	5000	2500		



## **Highlighted Device Targets**

Metric	Marginal Value	Ideal Value	Units
Assembly & Disassembly Time	60	5	Minutes
Weight of Device	30	10	Lbs
Project Cost	5000	2500	\$
Target Acquisition Speed	20	5	Seconds

# **Design Progress**

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## **Detection System**

### **Overview**

- Array of video cameras used for 360 degree field of view
- Distinguishes between drone and other flying objects
- Provides general location of detected drone
- Live video feed with detection boxes on computer system



Bird (Safe)

Drone (Threat)



### Figure x: Video Detection of Drone and Bird [x]



Figure x: SJCAM SJ4000 Action Camera [x]

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## **Detection System - Old Design**



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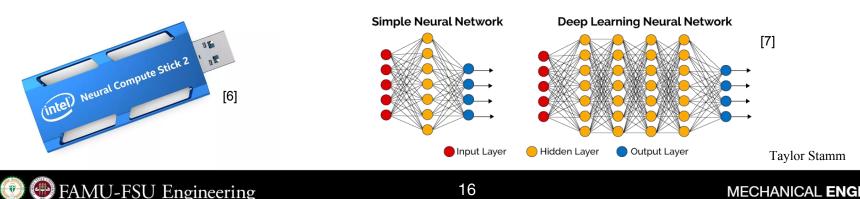
## **Detection System - Old Design Issues**

- Substantially low frame rate: Only about 0.5 fps
- Inaccurate object detection
- Slow detection
- Need optimized training algorithm
- Need more advanced deep learning hardware

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## **Detection System - Proposed Improvements**

- Install Intel Neural Compute Stick 2 to Raspberry Pi
  - Substantial increase in deep learning processing speed 0
- "Train" object detection through a Neural Network
- Create Python/Matlab script to graph and process testing
- Expected frame rate increase of up to 56x greater!
- Expected processing speed increase of up to 56x greater!



## **Detection System - Example of Detection**



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## Net Launcher and Backpack

### **Overview**

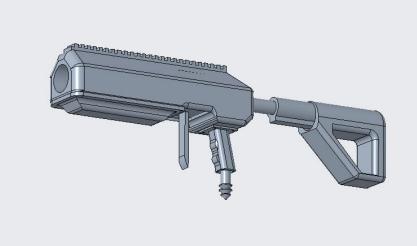
Net Launcher:

- Launch net 50ft and capture a stationary drone.
- Allow easy addition of a frequency jammer. Backpack
  - Support detection system, compressed air, and computer components with minimal hindrance to wearer.

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## Improvements: Net Launcher

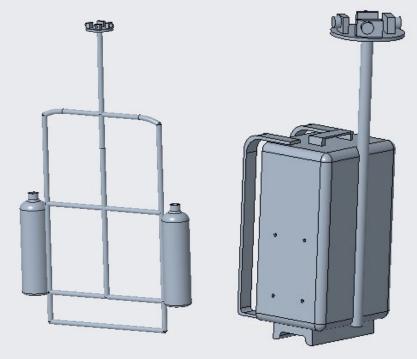
- Slimmed down design
- Mounting rail for frequency jammer
- Single barrel firing method



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## Improvements: Backpack

- Detection System mounted to backpack
- Compressed air can mounted to side of backpack



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## **Questions**?