

# Flying Free: A Research Overview of Drone Navigation Autonomy

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**Table S1.** Drone Autonomy Research Overview Rubric Sorted by Number of Citations/ Year.

Paper	Cit	Year	Performance (at given task)			Awareness			Basic Navigation			Advanced Navigation			Engineering		
			F1	Accuracy	Efficiency	SE	ODE	ODi	AM	CA	ATL	PG	ED	NPM	OBP	ES	SI
A.Loquercio et al.	34	2020				No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
M.K.Al Sharman et al.	11	2020				No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
S.Nezami et al.	8	2020		98.3%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
H.Shiri et al.	6	2020				No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
K.Lee et al.	6	2020			80ms	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
A.Anwar et al.	5	2020				No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
R.Chew et al.	4	2020	0.86	86.0%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
I.Roldan et al.	4	2020		99.5%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
Y.Liao et al.	3	2020		97.8%		Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
Y.Wang et al.	1	2020				No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
I.Bozcan et al.	1	2020	0.9907			No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
L.Messina et al.	1	2020				Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
B.Li et al.	0	2020		90.0%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
J.Tan et al.	0	2020	0.8886	90.0%		No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
M.Gao et al.	0	2020				No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
R.Yang et al.	0	2020		96.0%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
K.Menfoukh et al.	0	2020	0.85	91.0%		No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
V.Sadhu et al.	0	2020				No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
R.Raman et al.	0	2020				No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
B.Hosseiny et al.	0	2020	0.855	90.9%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
R.I.Marasigan et al.	0	2020				No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
M.Irfan et al.	0	2020				Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
V.A.Bakale et al.	0	2020			92s	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
L.O.Rojas Perez et al.	0	2020			25.4ms	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
D.Wofk et al.	55	2019		77.1%	37ms	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

E.Kaufmann et al.	50	2019			100ms	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
D.Palossi et al.	43	2019	0.821	89.1%	55.5ms	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hossain et al.	19	2019				No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Y.Y.Munaye et al.	11	2019		98.0%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
S.Islam et al.	9	2019		80.0%		No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
A.Alshehri et al.	8	2019		80.2%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
M.A.Akhloufi et al.	8	2019			33ms	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
A.G.Perera et al.	6	2019		75.9%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
X.Han et al.	4	2019		88.0%		No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	no	No	No
D.R.Hartawan et al.	4	2019		100.0%	330ms	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
G.Muñoz et al.	4	2019				No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Mohammadi et al.	4	2019				Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
A.Garcia et al.	3	2019		98.0%	45ms	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
S.Shin et al.	3	2019				No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
S.Y.Shin et al.	2	2019				Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No
A.Garcia et al.	1	2019				No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
L.Liu et al.	1	2019				No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
J.A.Cocoma Ortega et al.	0	2019		95.0%		No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
M.T.Matthews et al.	0	2019				No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
J.Morais et al.	0	2019				No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
A.Garrell et al.	0	2019		75.8%		No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
E.Cetin et al.	0	2019				No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
A.Loquercio et al.	158	2018	0.901	95.4%	50ms	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
E.Kaufmann et al.	60	2018			100ms	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
O.Csillik et al.	58	2018	0.9624	96.2%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
S.Jung et al.	57	2018		75.5%	34ms	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
A.A.Zhilenkov et al.	23	2018				Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
S.Lee et al.	14	2018				No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
S.Dionisio Ortega et al.	14	2018				No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Y.Feng et al.	13	2018				No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
N.Mohajerin et al.	13	2018				No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
A.Carrio et al.	13	2018		98.0%	50ms	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
A.Rodriguez Ramos et al.	12	2018		78.6%		No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
M.Jafari et al.	11	2018				No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No

M.A.Anwar et al.	11	2018				Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
A.Khan et al.	10	2018	78.0%			No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
Y.Xu et al.	7	2018				No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
I.A.Sulistijono et al.	6	2018	84.1%	450ms		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
J.Shin et al.	6	2018				Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
S.P.Yong et al.	5	2018	0.731	97.3%		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
C.Beleznai et al.	3	2018		50ms		Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
H.U.Dike et al.	3	2018	86.5%	86.6ms		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
X.Guan et al.	3	2018				Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Y.Liu et al.	3	2018				No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
X.Dai et al.	1	2018				No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
J.M.S Lagmay et al.	1	2018				No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
X.Chen et al.	0	2018	95.0%	50ms		No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
D.Gandhi et al.	165	2017				No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
D.Falanga et al.	98	2017	80.0%	0.24ms		No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
K.McGuire et al.	88	2017				Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
A.Zeggada et al.	43	2017	82.7%	39ms		No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
Y.Zhao et al.	31	2017				No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
L.Von et al.	25	2017				Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
P.Moriarty et al.	11	2017	98.5%			No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Y.F.Teng et al.	11	2017				No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Y.Zhou et al.	3	2017				No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
A.Garcia et al.	3	2017	90.0%			Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
Y.Choi et al.	1	2017	98.9%			No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
Y.Zhang et al.	1	2017	83.0%			No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
S.Andropov et al.	0	2017				No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
A.Giusti et al.	424	2016				No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No
T.Zhang et al.	263	2016				No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No
S.Daftry et al.	26	2016	78.0%			Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
M.E.Antonio Toledo et al.	3	2016				No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No

**Author's Note:** For the sake of readability, the various features in each section have been abbreviated in line with the display tables in the research overview, the legend for these abbreviations can be found in Table S2 below, further definition of these features are found in Section 2 and Section 3 of the main text.

**Table S2.** Abbreviation legend for Autonomous Features.

Awareness		Basic Navigation		Expanded Navigation		Engineering	
Abbrev.	Feature	Abbrev.	Feature	Abbrev.	Feature	Abbrev.	Feature
SE	Spatial Evaluation	AM	Autonomous Movement	PG	Path Generation	OBP	On Board Processing
ODe	Object Detection	CA	Collision Avoidance	ED	Environmental Distinction	ES	Extra Sensory

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ODi	Object Distinction	ATL	Auto Take off/Landing	NPM	Non Planar Movement	SI	Signal Independent
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