

**Is it possible to create a
biodegradable wing using
foldable mechanisms to
create net-positive lift?**

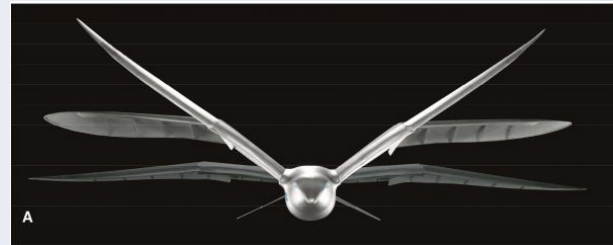
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Biomechanics-Driven Inspiration

- Mallard Duck (*anas platyrhynchos*) [1]
 - a. Long-distance migratory bird
 - b. Inspired wing radius and chord length
- Take-off Analysis of a Starling and Quail [2]
 - a. Kinematics analysis of wings, feet, and body
 - b. Inspired force calculations based on body mass
- SmartBird [3]
 - a. Servo-actuated 5-bar robotic wing
 - b. Inspired flap frequency, motion, and power consumption
- Quadrotor UAV [4]
 - a. Inspired mass of electronic components



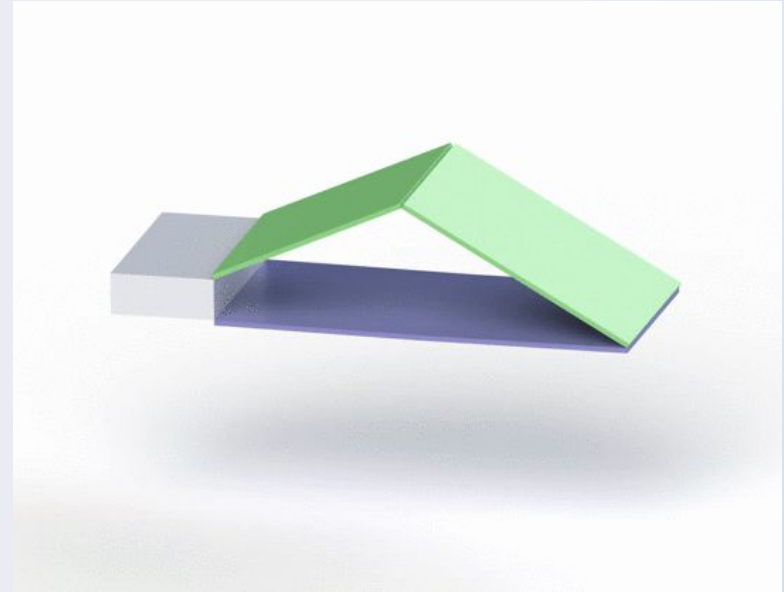
Specifications		
Wing Radius	0.4 m	[1]
Chord Length	0.2 m	[1]
Flap Frequency	2 Hz	[3]
Robot Mass	500g	[4]
Flap ROM	45 deg	[3]
E.E Force	9.81 N	[2]
Power Consumption	23 W	[3]



Proposed Mechanism

Goal: Produce flapping gait with net positive lift on a static test stand

- 5-bar Mechanism
- 2 angle inputs at the base
- (x, y) position output at the tip



Future Plans

- Reconsider: relative link lengths, trajectory, constraints, motor selection, joint limits
 - Maximize thrust output
 - Minimize motor torque and velocity input requirements
 - Minimize total system mass
- Identify degradable material that meets mass and force requirements
- Identify logic and energy storage components
- Create test bench to measure thrust

