

Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV's)

Unmanned Underwater Vehicles (UUV's)

and Swarms



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Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV's)

An aerial photograph of a tropical beach. The foreground shows a wide, white sandy beach with some shadows cast across it. The beach curves along the edge of clear, turquoise water. In the distance, a thin strip of white sand is visible on the horizon under a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds.

Unmanned Aerial Vehicle "Global Hawk"



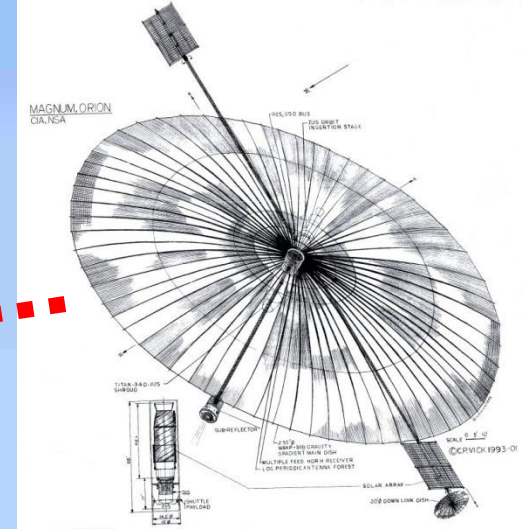
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*"**Global Hawk** provides high-resolution Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) and Electro-Optical/Infrared (EO/IR) imagery at long range with long loiter times over target areas. **A Signals Intelligence (SIGINT) capability is also being developed.** Potential missions cover the spectrum of intelligence collection capabilities to support joint combatant forces in worldwide peace, crisis, and wartime operations."*

SIGnal INTelligence Satellites



Radar detected, Global Hawk informed

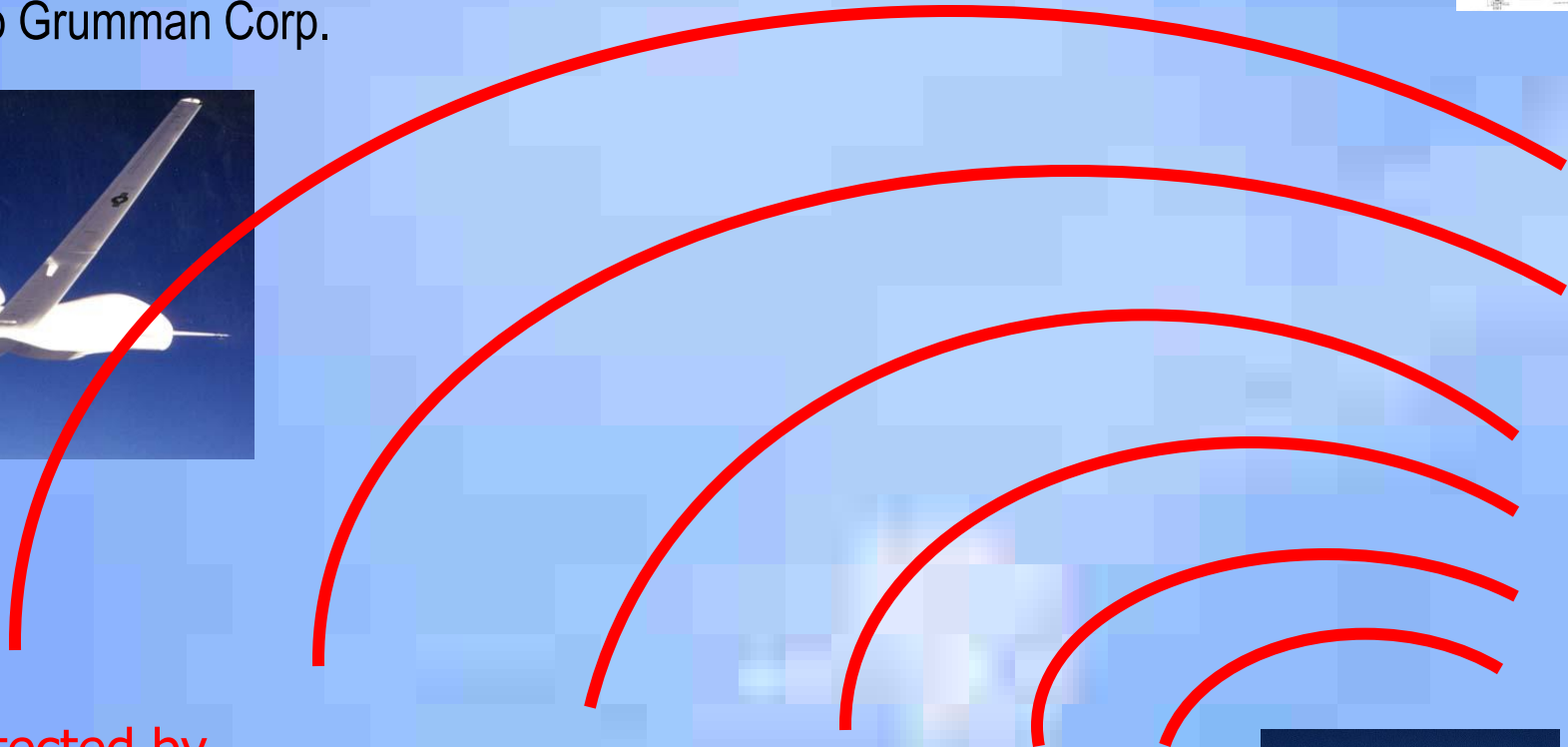
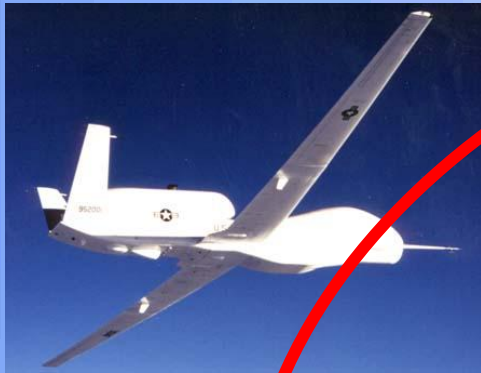
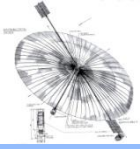


"Signals intelligence (SIGINT) satellites are designed to detect transmissions from broadcast communications systems such as radios, as well as radars and other electronic systems.....The United States operates four constellations of signals intelligence satellites"



UAV "Global Hawk" with its own SIGINT in 2010

Northrop Grumman Corp.



Radar detected by
Global Hawk



UAV "Global Hawk"

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An integrated sensor processor produces high-quality images from the radar and EO/IR sensor with the metadata required to support precision targeting.

The IMMC provides all of the functions necessary for Global Hawk to accomplish missions autonomously.

A Ku SATCOM system provides the ability to transmit imagery beyond line of sight via a wide-band satellite link.

The EO/IR and SAR unit captures radar and visible-light (0.4–0.8 microns) and medium-wave infrared (3.6–5.0 microns) image data.

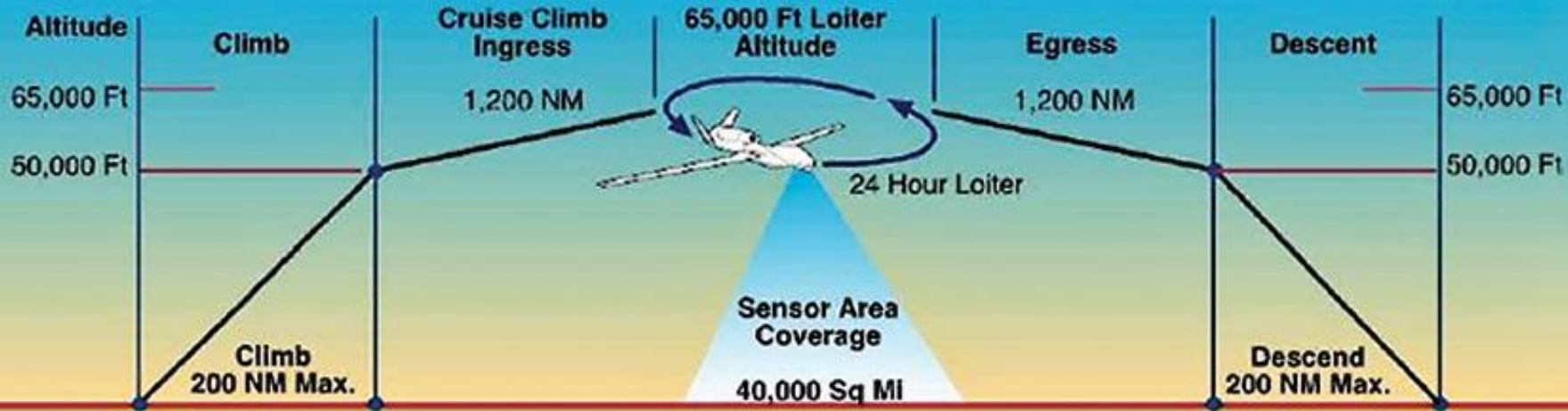


UAV "Global Hawk"

Mission profile

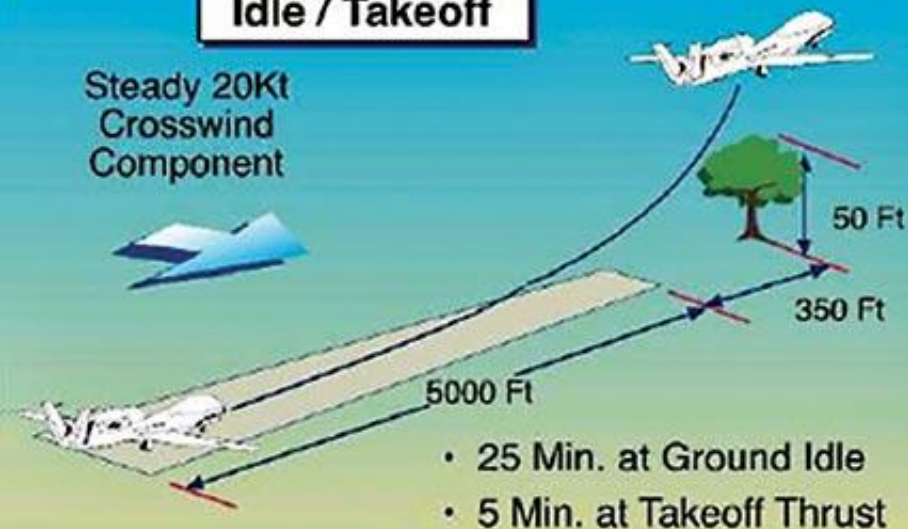


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Idle / Takeoff

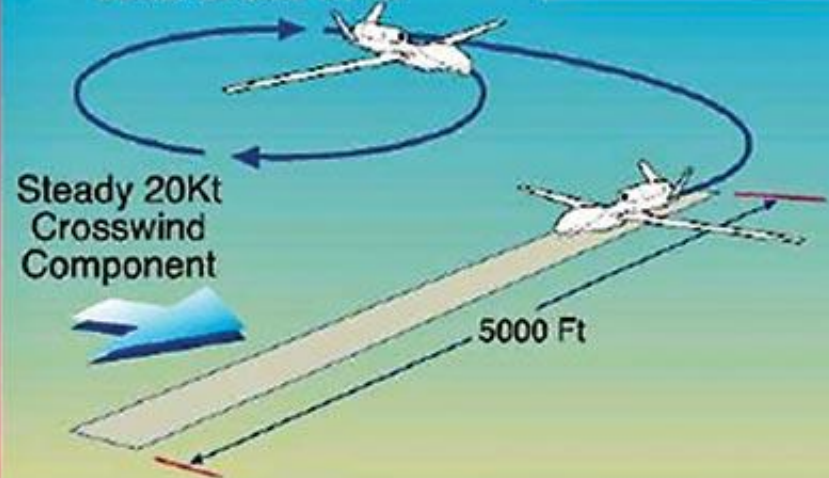
Steady 20Kt Crosswind Component



Descent / Land

1 Hour Reserve Loiter at Sea Level

Steady 20Kt Crosswind Component



UAV “Killer Bees”



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UAV "KillerBees"

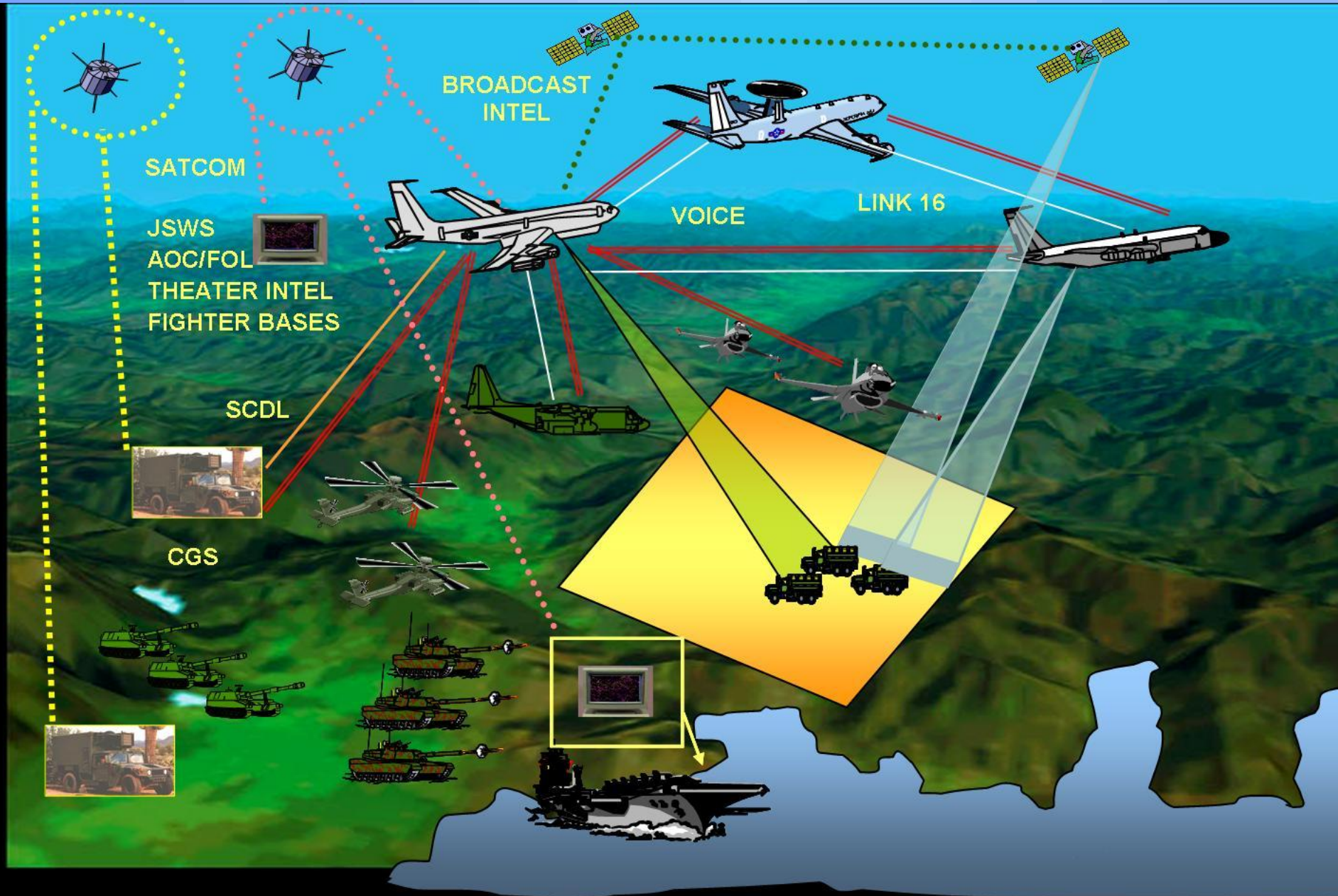
"It has systems for land or sea launch, recovery and ground control.....During the land-based test, KillerBee was recovered in a net mounted on a rapidly moving truck, demonstrating that the guidance system enables aircraft recovery from platforms moving at speeds similar to a naval vessel.

"..... represents a major upgrade to today's embedded airborne surveillance, reconnaissance and target acquisition capability."

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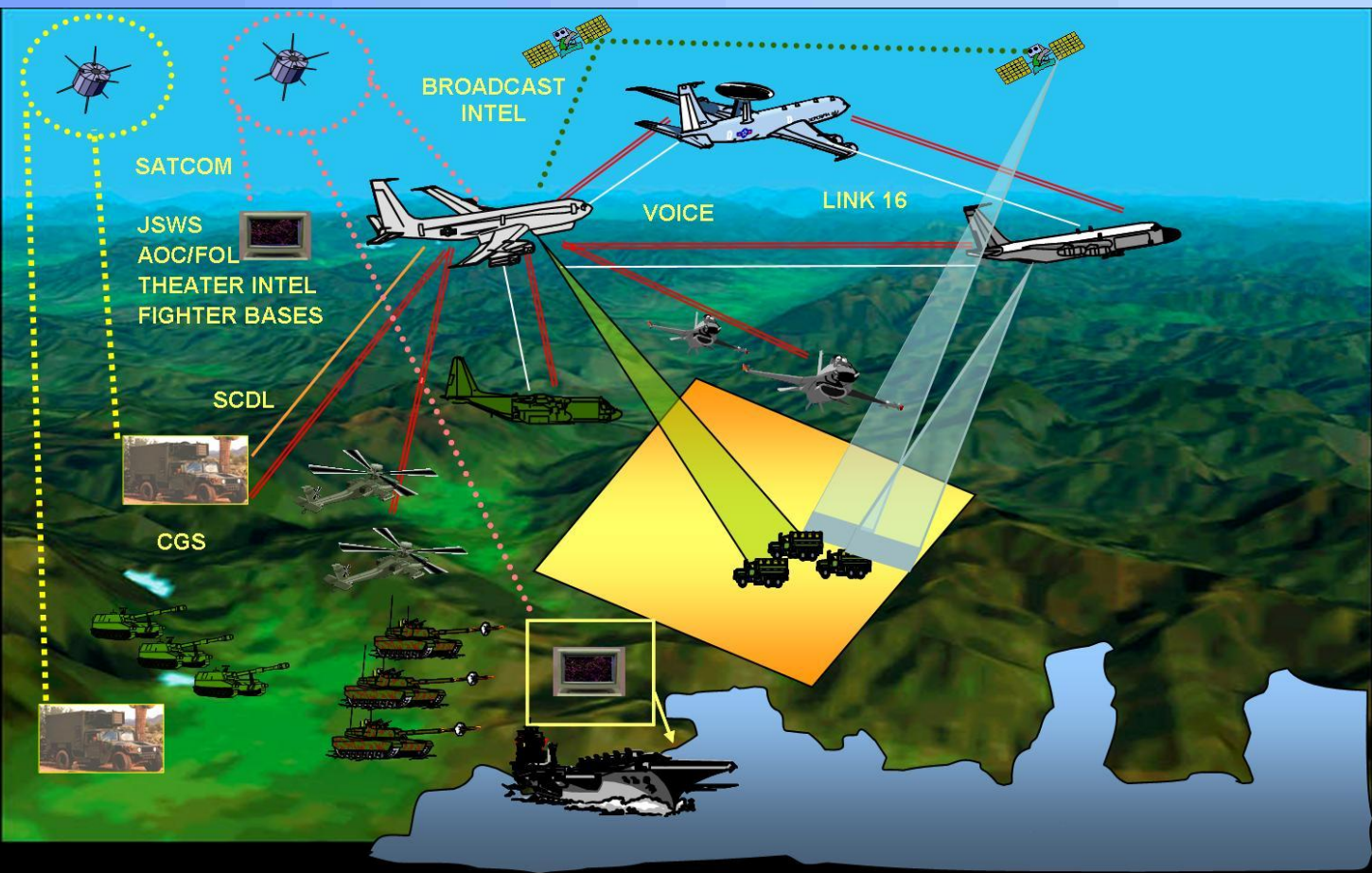
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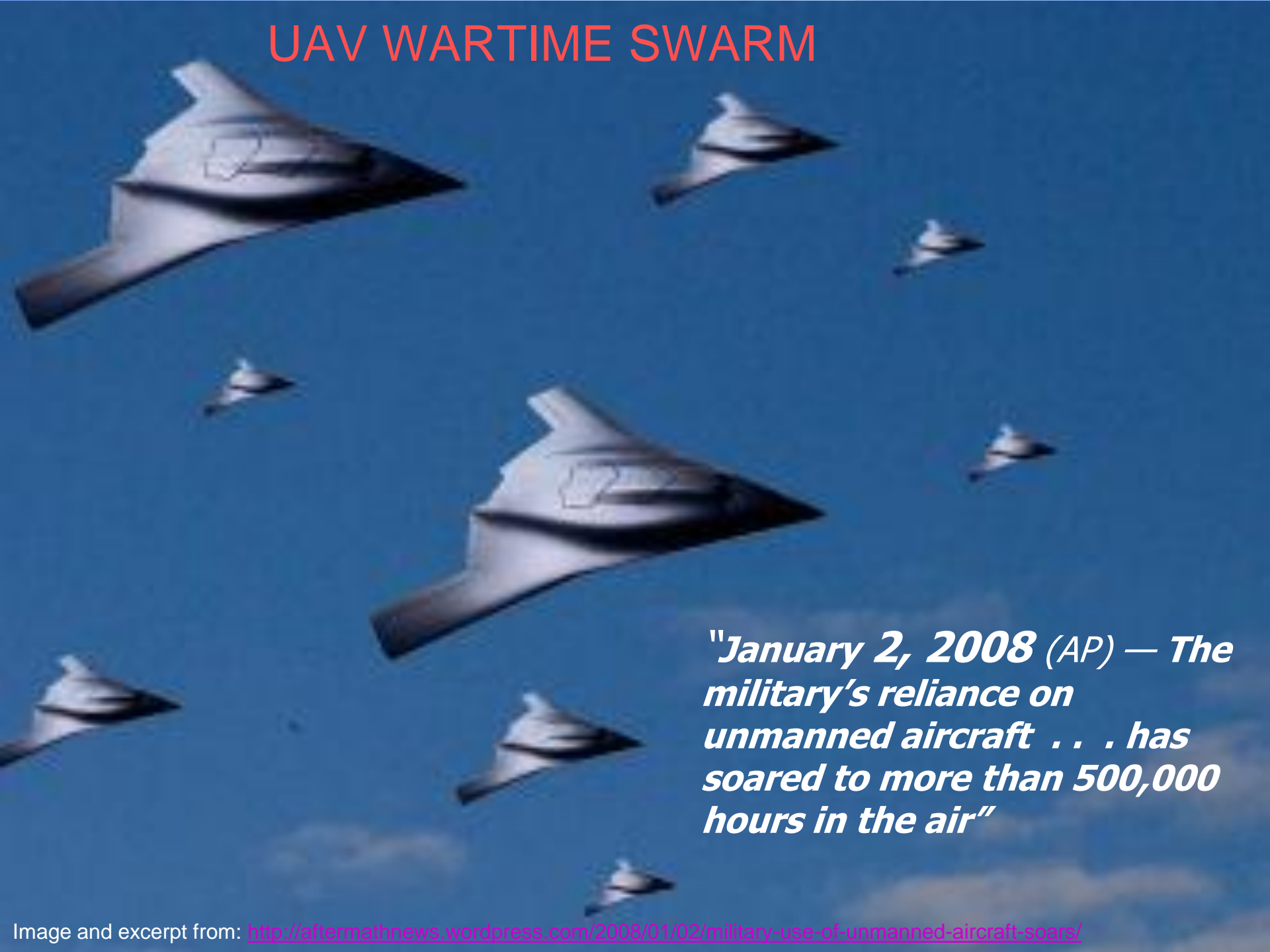
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SWARM



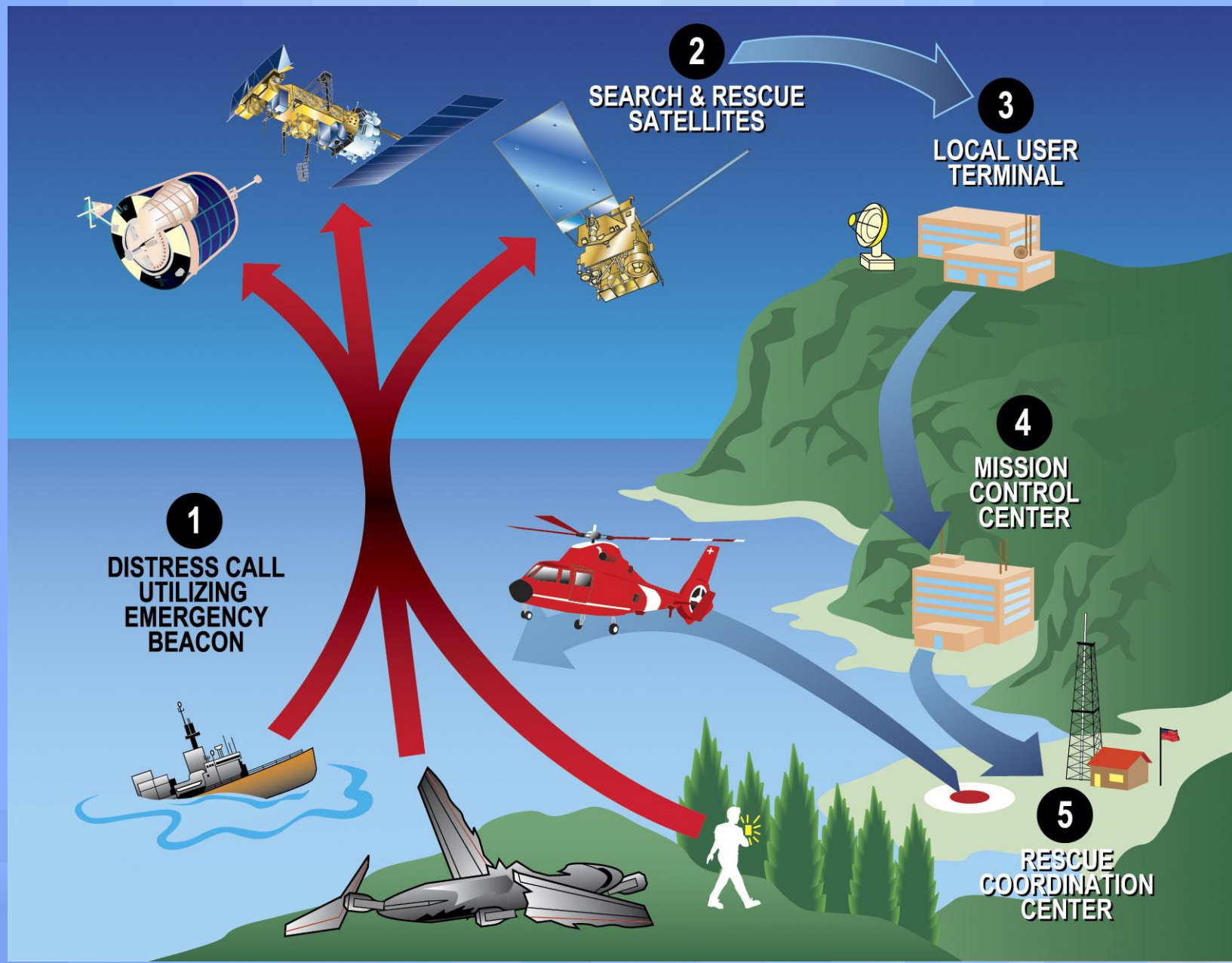
UAV WARTIME SWARM



"January 2, 2008 (AP) — The military's reliance on unmanned aircraft . . . has soared to more than 500,000 hours in the air"

PEACETIME SWARM

Search and Rescue



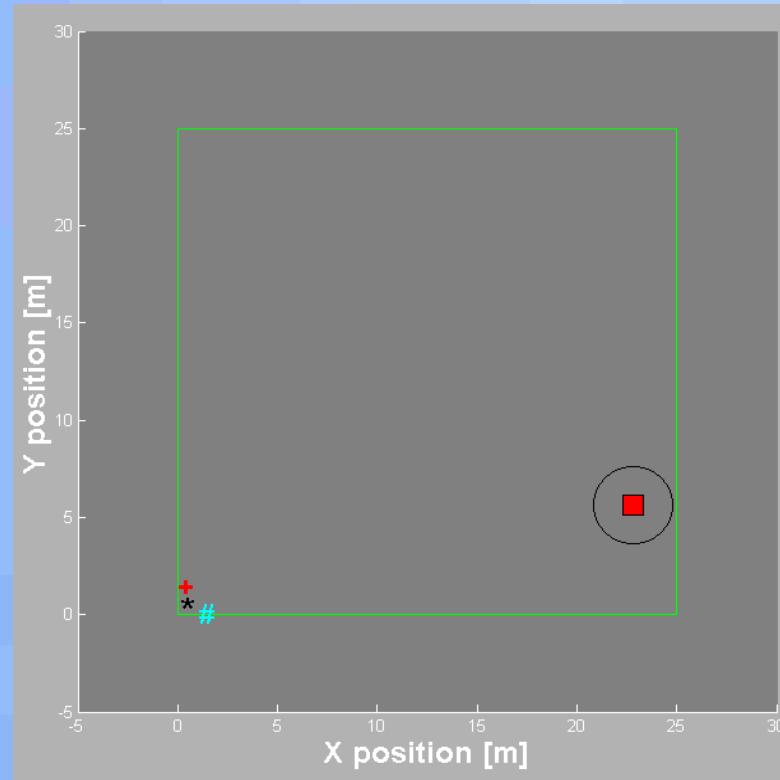


Figure 1: Simulation Output Window. Grey designates unknown area, robots shown: scout (black), medic (blue), fire-suppressant (red), and a light source (red).

Campos, D. and Wunderlich, J. T. (2002). [Development of an interactive simulation with real-time robots for search and rescue](#). In *Proceedings of IEEE/ASME International conference on Flexible Automation, Hiroshima, Japan*: (session U-007). ASME Press.

An aerial photograph of a tropical beach. The foreground is dominated by a wide, pristine white sand beach that stretches from the bottom left towards the center. The ocean is a vibrant turquoise color, with gentle waves lapping at the shore. The horizon is visible in the distance, where the ocean meets a clear blue sky filled with scattered, fluffy white clouds. The overall scene is bright and serene.

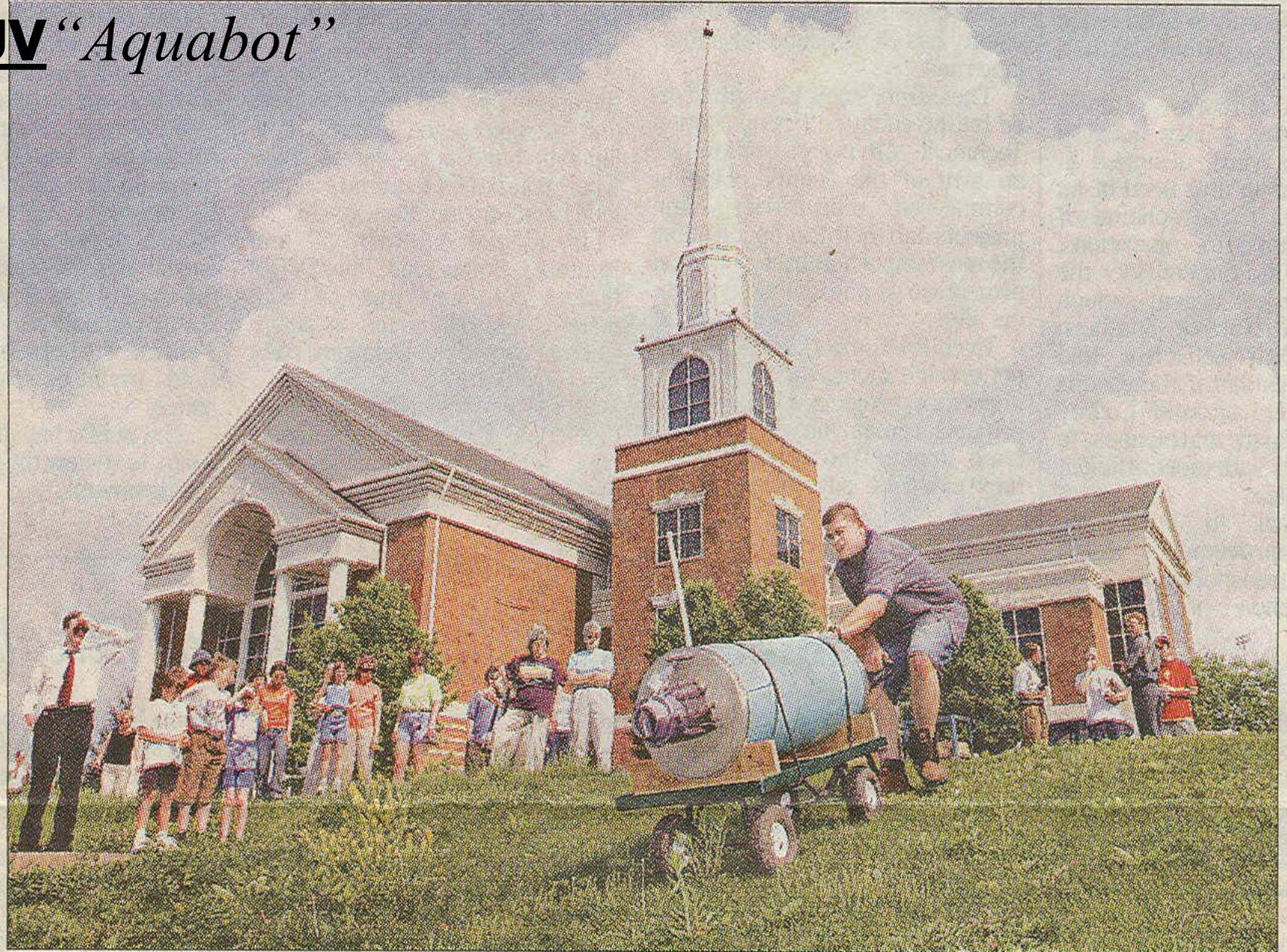
Unmanned Underwater Vehicles (UUV's)

Unmanned Underwater Vehicles “*Aquabot*”



Henderson, S., Shreshtha, S., Wunderlich, J.T. (2004). [A high speed AUV test platform](#) (submitted to military conference).

UUV "Aquabot"



Intelligencer Journal photos by Suzette Wenger

Elizabethtown College student Steve Henderson prepares to put his robot submarine into Lake Placida in

front of Leffler Chapel Wednesday. Below, Henderson checks the sub as it goes for a swim.

UUV “Aquabot”



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Unmanned Underwater Vehicles

Exploration



"Nereus will be the first autonomous vehicle to visit the 11,000m (36,089ft) Challenger Deep in the Pacific Ocean. Only two other vehicles have ever visited the spot before, both of them human operated."

UUV “Nereus”

Exploration

Developed at:

[Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute](http://www.whoi.edu/)

REMOTELY OPERATED STATE

Able to be controlled by human operators at the surface

Additional floatation

LED lights

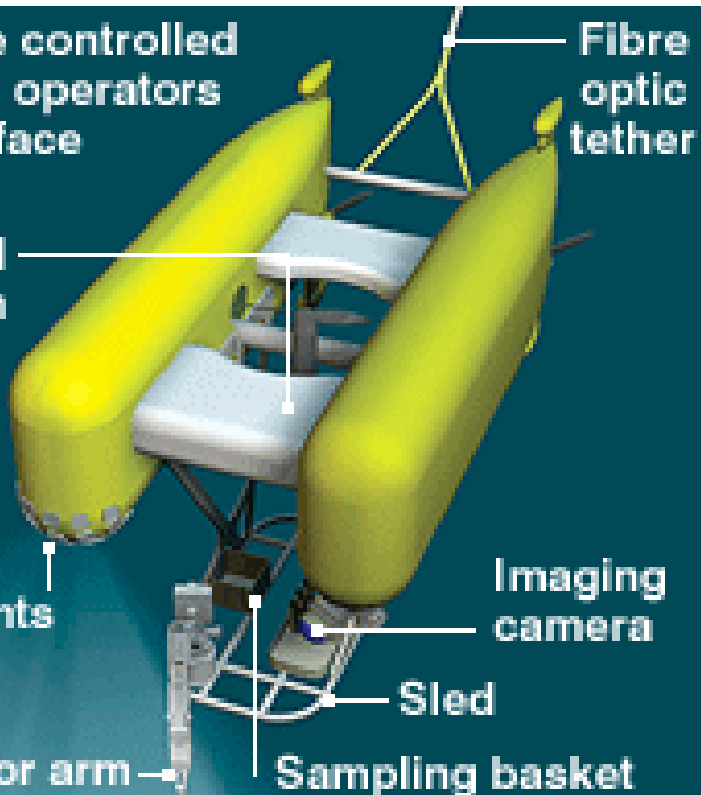
Manipulator arm

Fibre optic tether

Imaging camera

Sled

Sampling basket



AUTONOMOUS STATE

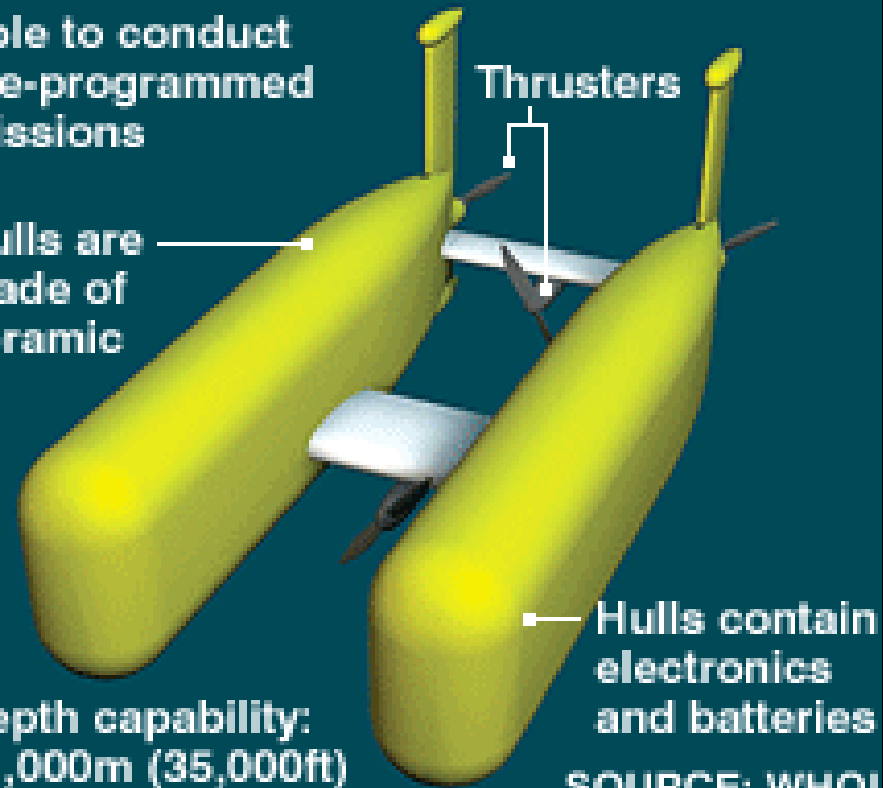
Able to conduct pre-programmed missions

Hulls are made of ceramic

Depth capability: 11,000m (35,000ft)

Thrusters

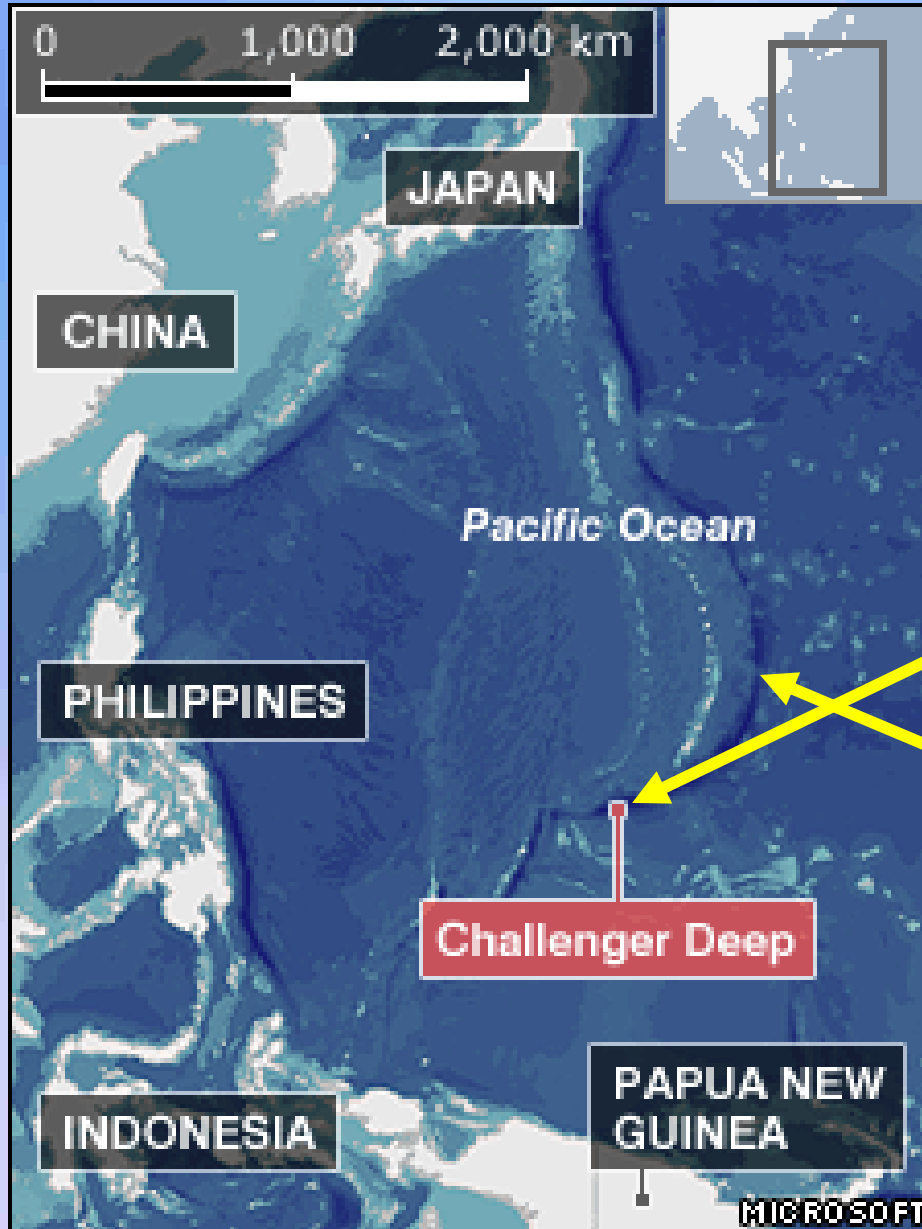
Hulls contain electronics and batteries



SOURCE: WHOI

UUV “Nereus”

Exploration



“Challenger Deep”
is the name of the
deepest place in the
Mariana Trench

It is the deepest
point in any of the
Earth’s oceans
(11,000 meters)
(36,000 feet)

UUV “Nereus”

Exploration



Image and excerpt from: <http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/science/nature/8035499.stm>

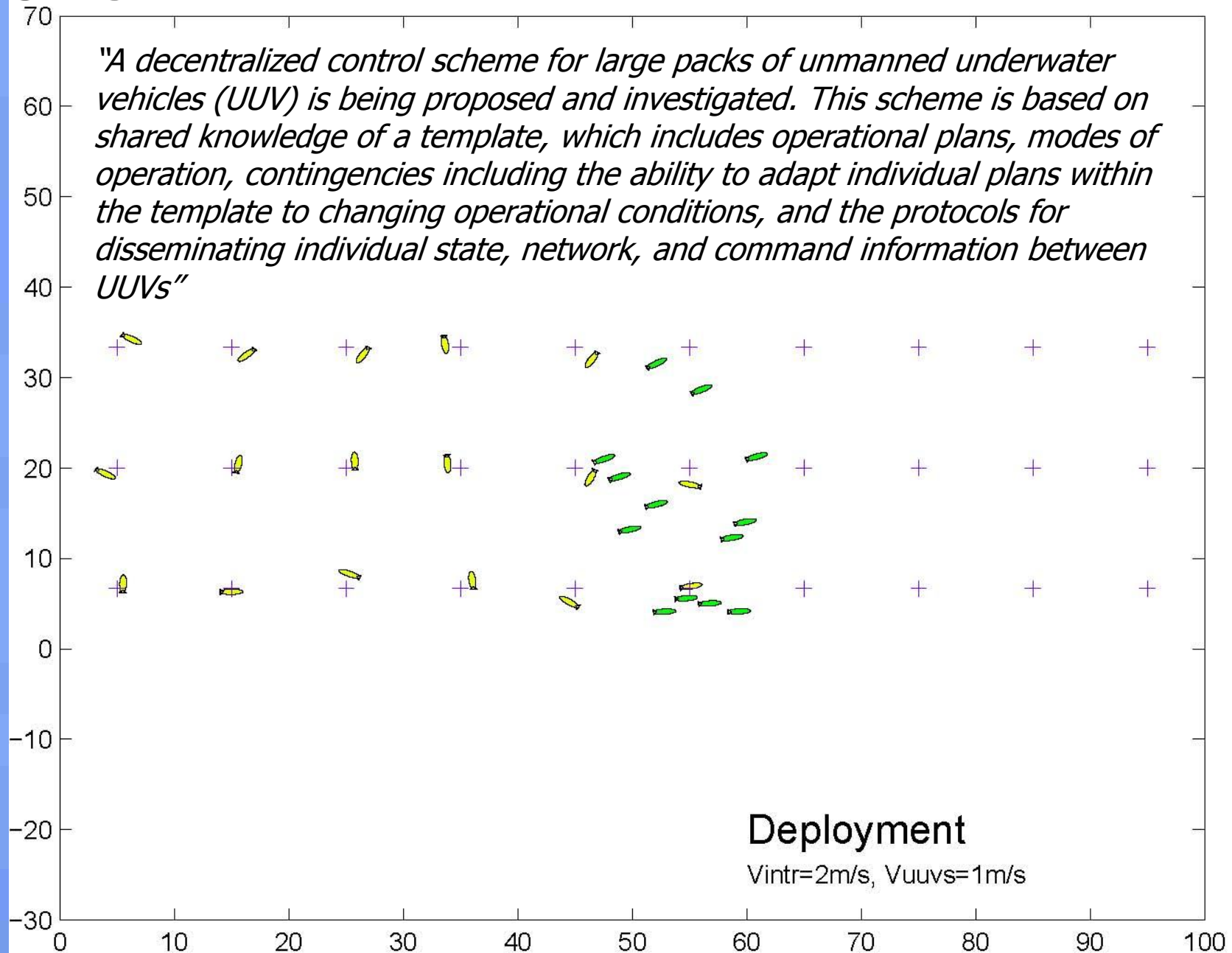
UUV “*Nereus*”

Exploration



VIDEO: <http://video.aol.com/video-detail/sub-will-map-deepest-trenches/626778029>

UUV SWARM



Europa Rover Navigation

Possible course project

Maneuver on flat icy surface, then
drill through 200 meters of ice

When water reached, either:

- (1) Act as UUV, or
- (2) **Deploy a swarm of 100 10cm long UUV's**

Communicate with UUV's if option (2) chosen

Communicate with base station that is also communicating with several orbiters and earth. The base station is also running a **concurrent simulation** to the rover's real-time code and will be building a "GLOBAL" environmental map of the region of Europa being explored. This information should also be communicated back to the rover, -- and then to UUV's if option (2) is chosen.



by Jeremy Crouse (advisor: Dr. Wunderlich)

Although Wunderbots are fully autonomous, the IGVC awards those who can respond to "JAUS" for **Networked unmanned systems**

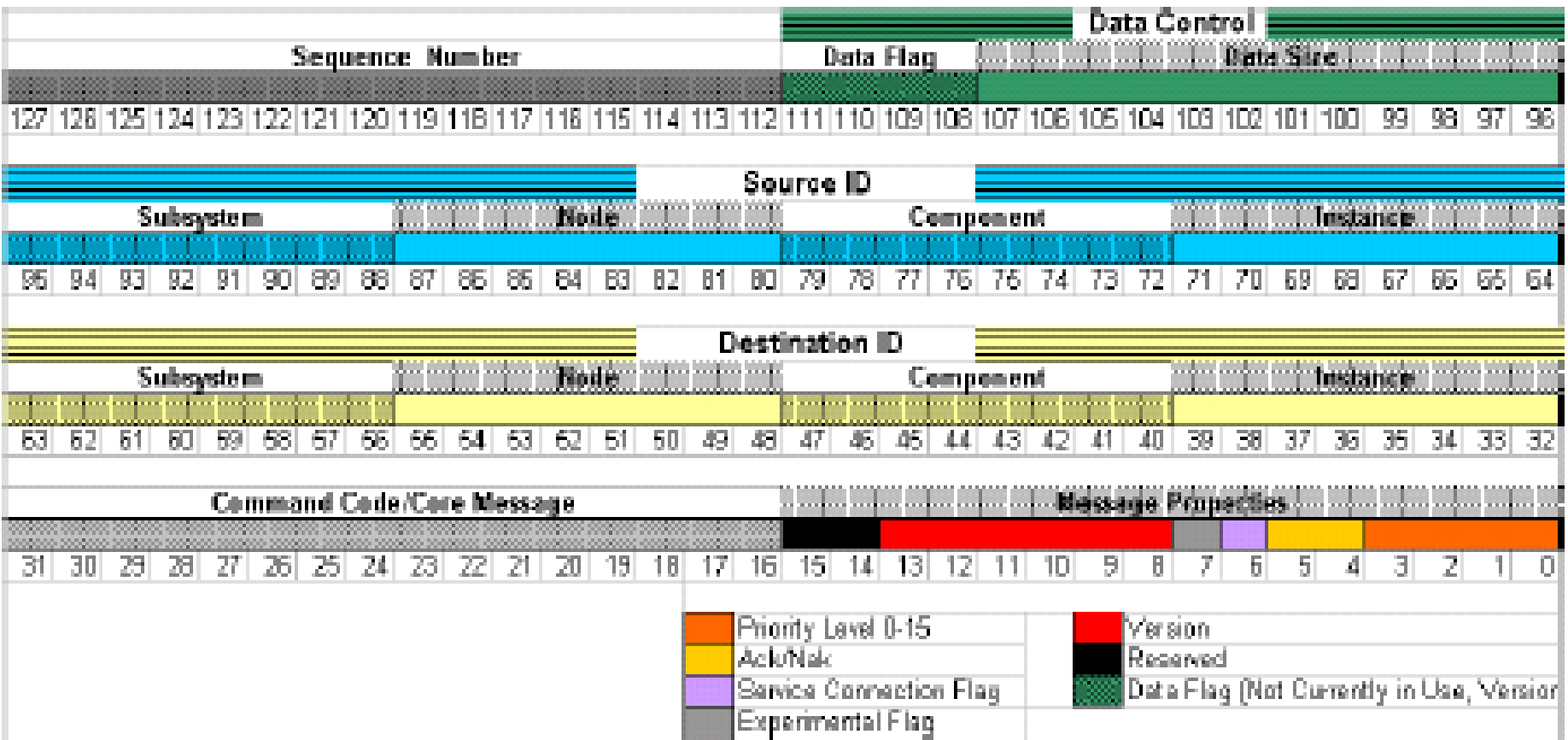


Figure 7: JAUS message header detailed structure [6]

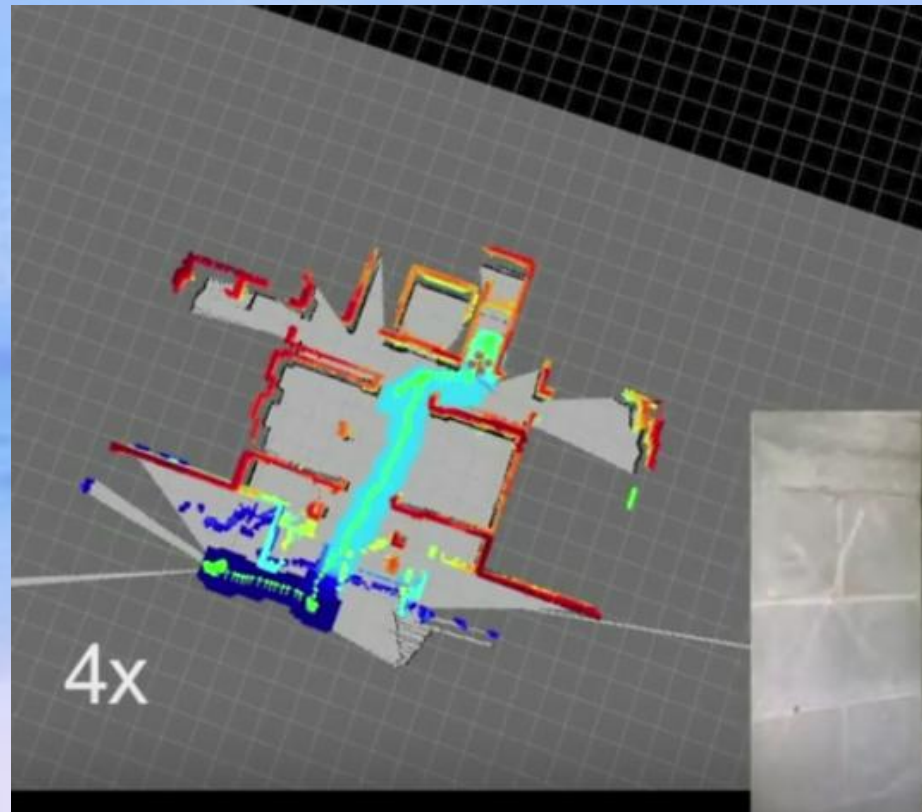


Dr. Vijay Kumar, U. of Pennsylvania

Swarms

(Dr. Wunderlich worked with Dr. Kumar at the AI DuPont Children's Hospital Applied Science and Engineering Lab, 1993-94)

2012 Dr. Kumar TED Talk: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ErEBkj_3PY



2013 Dr. Kumar Talk

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ErEBkj_3PY

2014 TED Talk
by Magnus Egrstedt

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ULKyXnQ9xWA>



Agility with Scaling

● Blade tip speed $v \sim \sqrt{R}$

● Lift $F = C_L A v^2 \sim R^3$

● Inertia $m \sim R^3, I \sim R^5$

● Acceleration

Linear $a \sim 1$

Angular $\alpha \sim \frac{1}{R}$



So, the smaller you make it, the faster you can turn

If we start by looking at the **displacement** of an object (i.e. the distance from where it started to where it currently is) then when we look at the first **derivative** (by time) of displacement, (i.e. dividing the displacement of an object for how long it took to be displaced) we have calculated the object's **velocity**.

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

If we look at the rate of change of velocity, the second derivative (by time) of the object's displacement (i.e. the rate of change of the rate of change of its displacement), then we have calculated the object's **acceleration**.

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$$

If we now look at the rate of change of acceleration, the third derivative of the object's displacement (i.e. the rate of change of the rate of change of the rate of change of its displacement) then we have calculated the object's **jerk**.

$$j = \frac{da}{dt} = \frac{d^2v}{dt^2} = \frac{d^3x}{dt^3}$$

The first two derivatives of displacement, velocity and acceleration, are well known and reasonably well-understood by most people. But jerk is a little bit more difficult to understand. If we apply a force to an object it will accelerate, and we usually assume that this force is applied instantaneously. But this is not correct – it takes time to apply a force. As a result, the rate of acceleration will not be constant, and thus we have the jerk.

The fourth derivative of an object's displacement (the rate of change of jerk) is known as **snap** (also known as **jounce**), the fifth derivative (the rate of change of snap) is **crackle**, and – you've guessed it – the sixth derivative of displacement is **pop**. As far as I can tell, none of these are commonly used.

SOURCE:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ErEBkj_3PY

In physics, **jounce** or **snap** is the fourth derivative of the position vector with respect to time, with the first, second, and third derivatives being velocity, acceleration, and jerk, respectively; hence, the jounce is the rate of change of the jerk with respect to time. Jounce is defined by any of the following equivalent expressions:

$$\vec{s} = \frac{d\vec{j}}{dt} = \frac{d^2\vec{a}}{dt^2} = \frac{d^3\vec{v}}{dt^3} = \frac{d^4\vec{r}}{dt^4}$$

The following equations are used for constant jounce:

$$\vec{j} = \vec{j}_0 + \vec{s}t$$

$$\vec{a} = \vec{a}_0 + \vec{j}_0 t + \frac{1}{2}\vec{s}t^2$$

$$\vec{v} = \vec{v}_0 + \vec{a}_0 t + \frac{1}{2}\vec{j}_0 t^2 + \frac{1}{6}\vec{s}t^3$$

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}_0 + \vec{v}_0 t + \frac{1}{2}\vec{a}_0 t^2 + \frac{1}{6}\vec{j}_0 t^3 + \frac{1}{24}\vec{s}t^4$$

where

\vec{s} : constant jounce,

\vec{j}_0 : initial jerk,

\vec{j} : final jerk,

\vec{a}_0 : initial acceleration,

\vec{a} : final acceleration,

\vec{v}_0 : initial velocity,

\vec{v} : final velocity,

\vec{r}_0 : initial position,

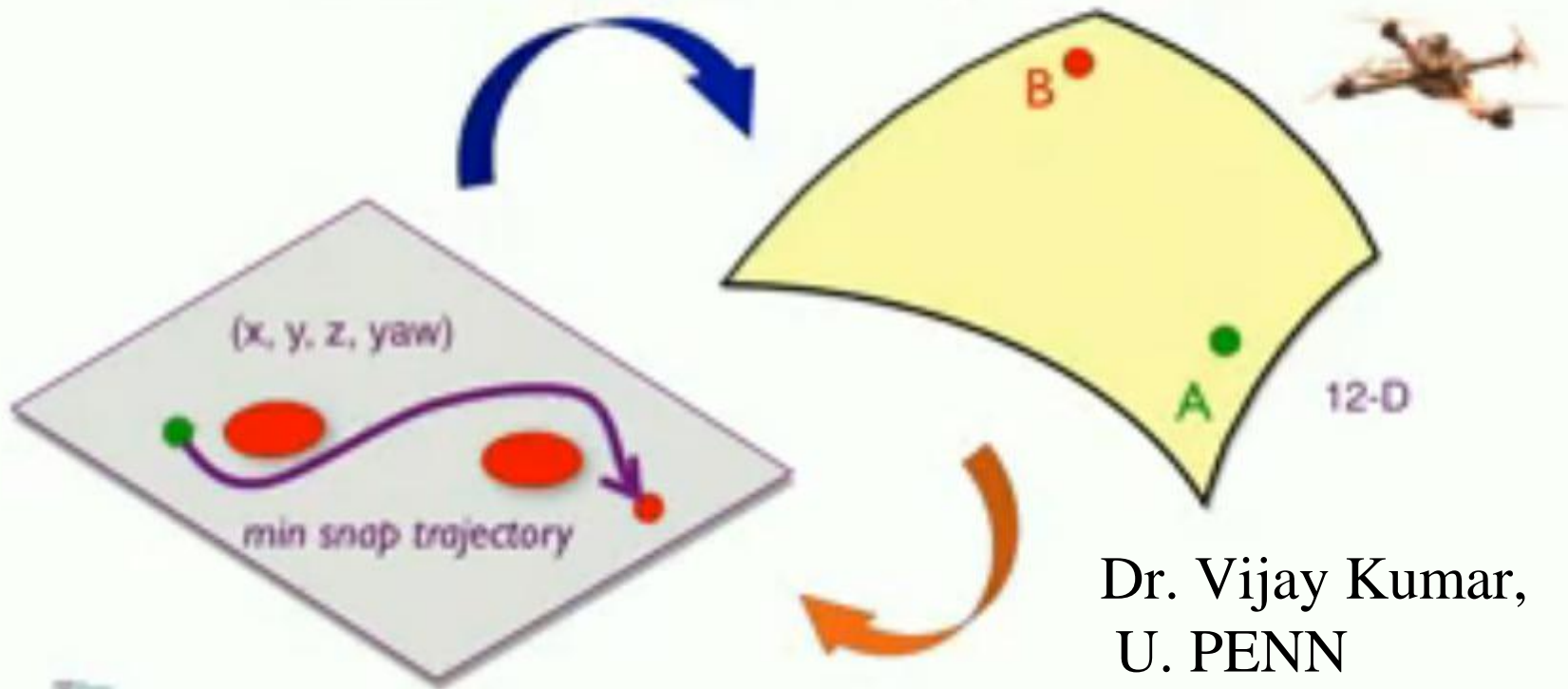
\vec{r} : final position,

t : time between initial and final states.

SOURCE

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jounce>

How to get from A to B?



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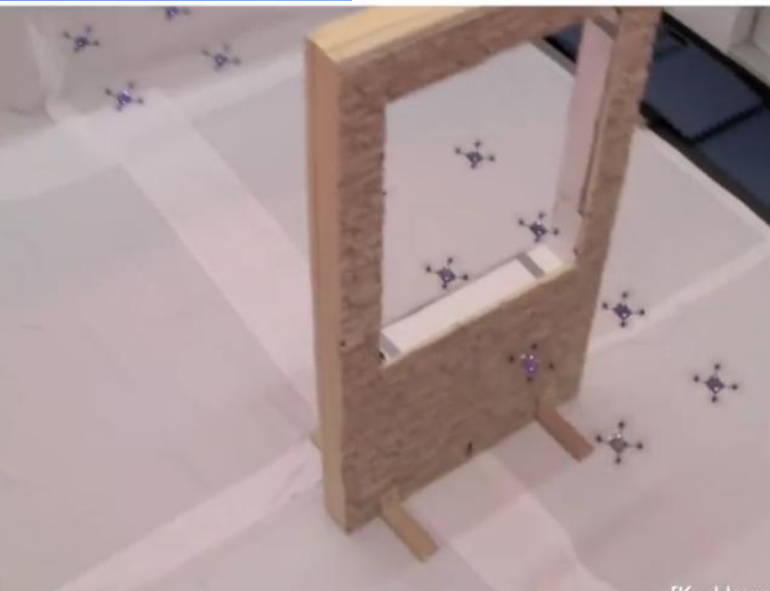
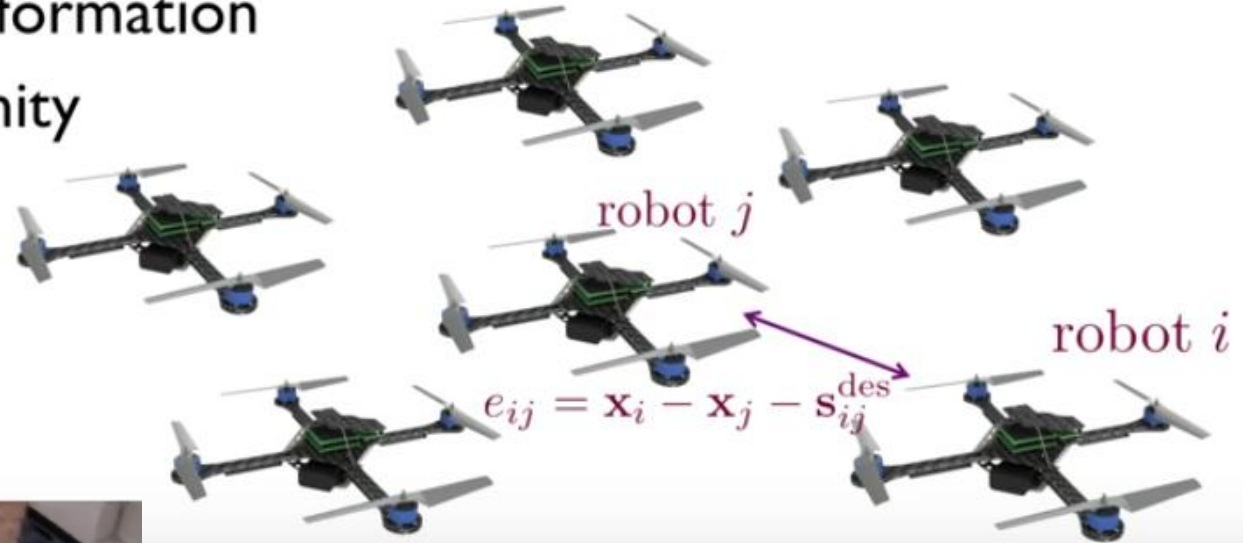
Curved 12D space transformed into flat 4D space

(x, y, x, yaw) , and then robot plans a trajectory through this 4D space. This is called a SNAP trajectory

VIDEO SOURCE: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ErEBkj_3PY

Publication: <http://www-personal.acfr.usyd.edu.au/spns/cdm/papers/Mellinger.pdf>

- Decentralized control
- Local information
- Anonymity



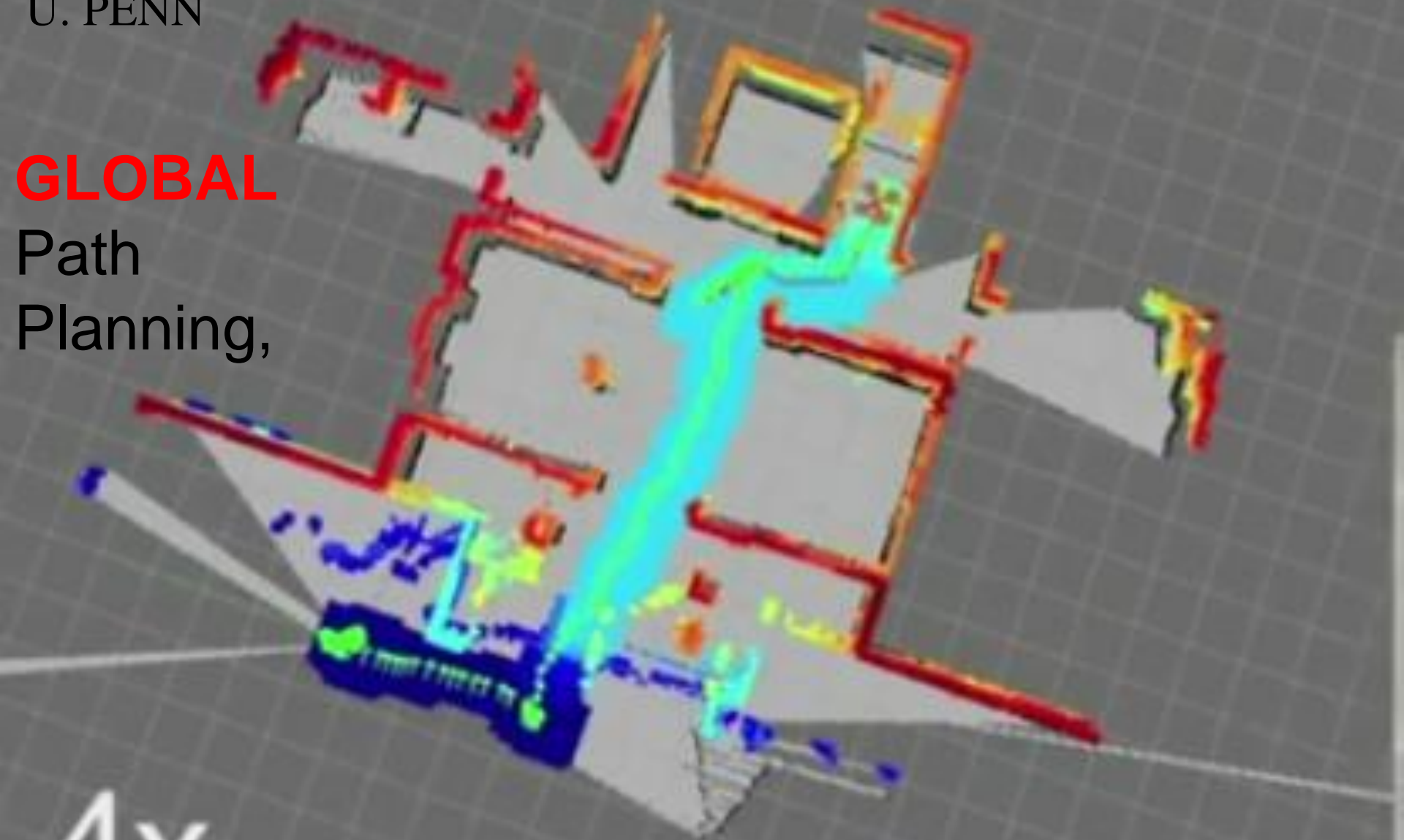
LOCAL Path Planning,
but very complex ! –
and collective



Just give swarm Working Drawings, they Build !

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GLOBAL
Path
Planning,



4x

Building an ENVIRONMENTAL MAP

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