

# Cooperative Motion Planning, Navigation, and Control of Multiple Autonomous Marine Vehicles: Robots and Humans in the Loop



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# Robots for Ocean Exploration

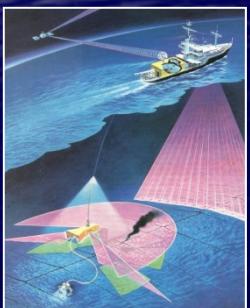


## Summary:

**Ocean exploration: scientific and commercial challenges**



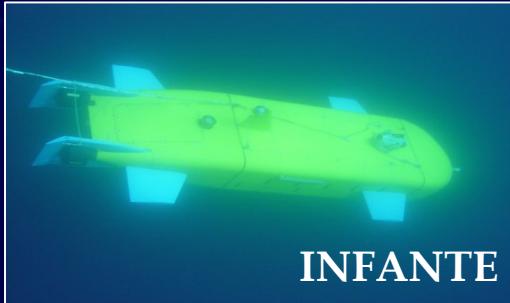
**The need for marine robots: technical challenges**



**Theory and Practice: single and multiple robotic vehicle control; a vision of the future**



# Robotic Vehicles



Fleet of autonomous  
surface and  
underwater robots

Designed and built at IST

# EC GREX PROJECT TEAM (2006-2009)



# EC CO<sup>3</sup>AUVS PROJECT TEAM (2009-2012)

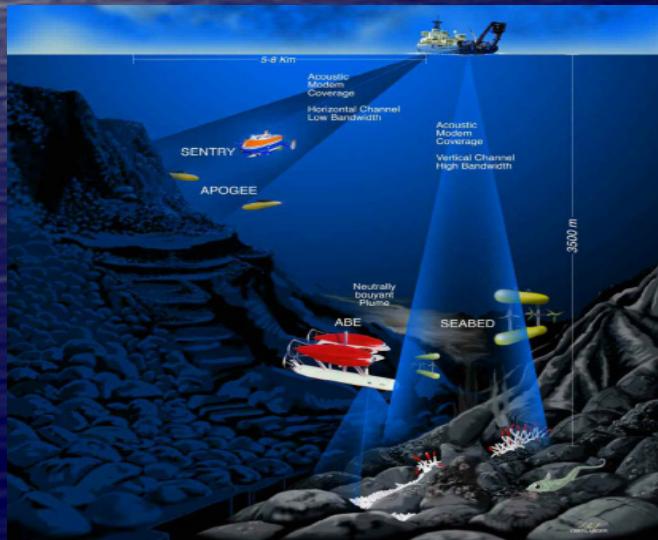
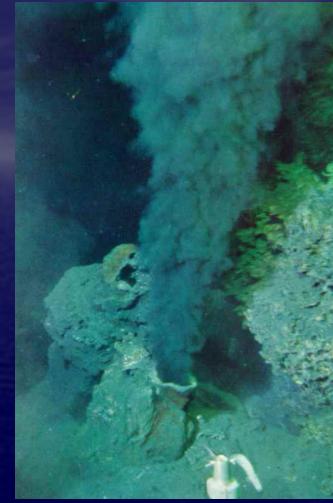
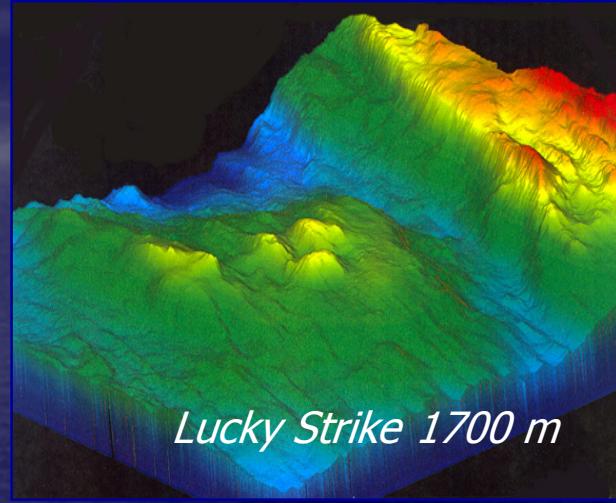


# EC MORPH PROJECT TEAM (2012-2016)



Toulon, France  
July 2013

# *Sea: the Ultimate Frontier*



**Explore the Ocean**

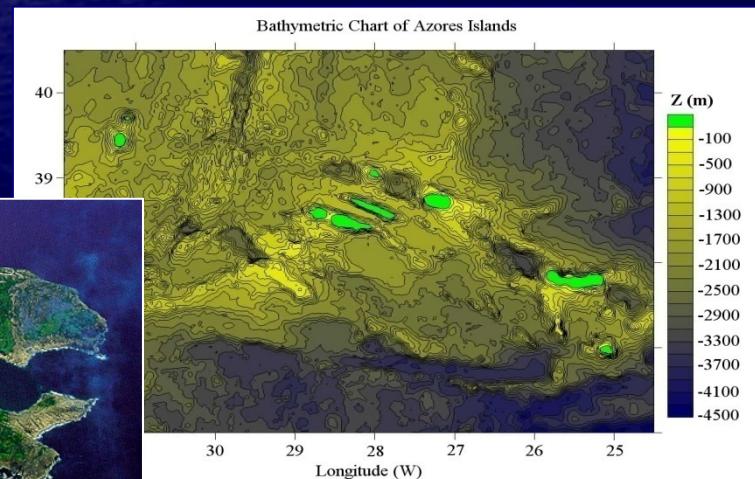
**Advanced technology is mandatory**

**Future: Networked Mobile/Fixed Sensors (Moored systems, AUVs, ASCs, Gliders, Submersibles, Vessels, etc)**

# Marine data acquisition

***Adequate 3-D  
temporal and spatial sampling***

***Open sea***



***Coastal areas***



***Deep ocean***

# “Classical” Methods

## *Divers*



***Divers - restricted coverage; dangerous.  
Hard to georeference data.***



## *Research Vessels*

# “Classical” Methods



***Vessels (tool par excellence) -  
Poor maneuverability; poor 3-D + time coverage.  
High operation costs.***



# “Semi-Classical ” Methods



Nautil, IFREMER, FR

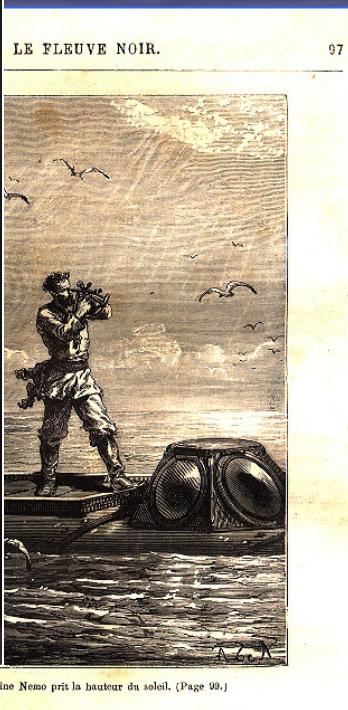
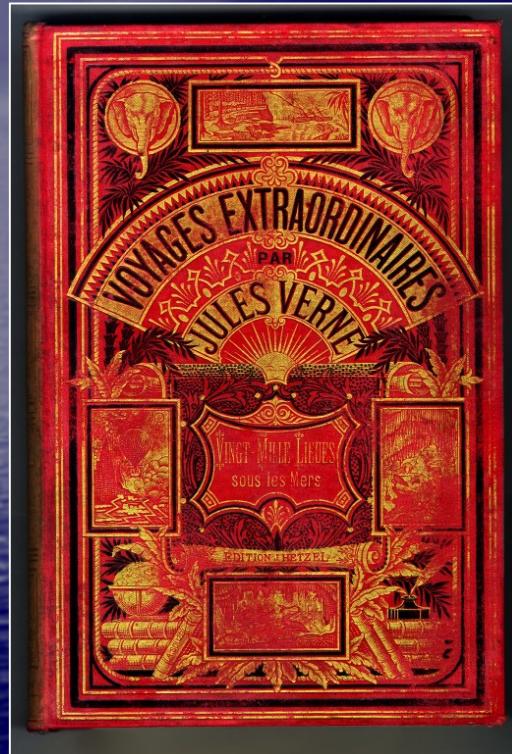
LULA, Rebikoff Foundation,  
Azores, PT

***Manned Submersibles  
(direct observation of  
the deep sea)***

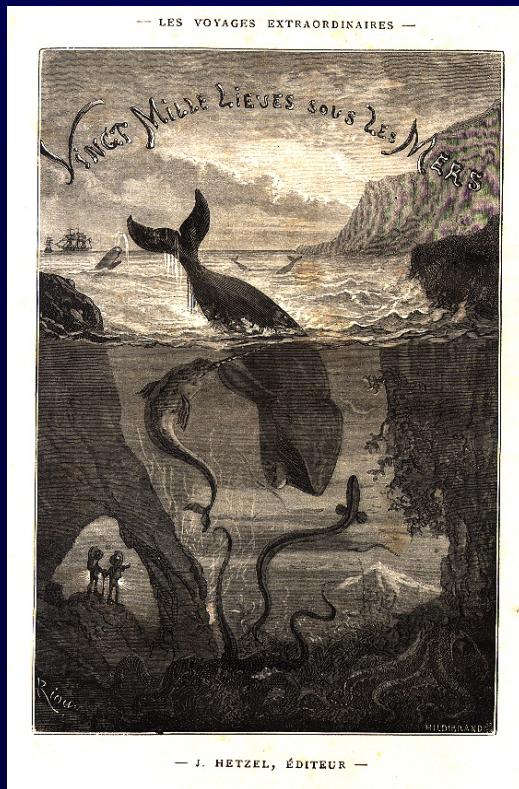




# “Semi-Classical” Methods



*Glimpses of amazing  
undersea  
adventures*



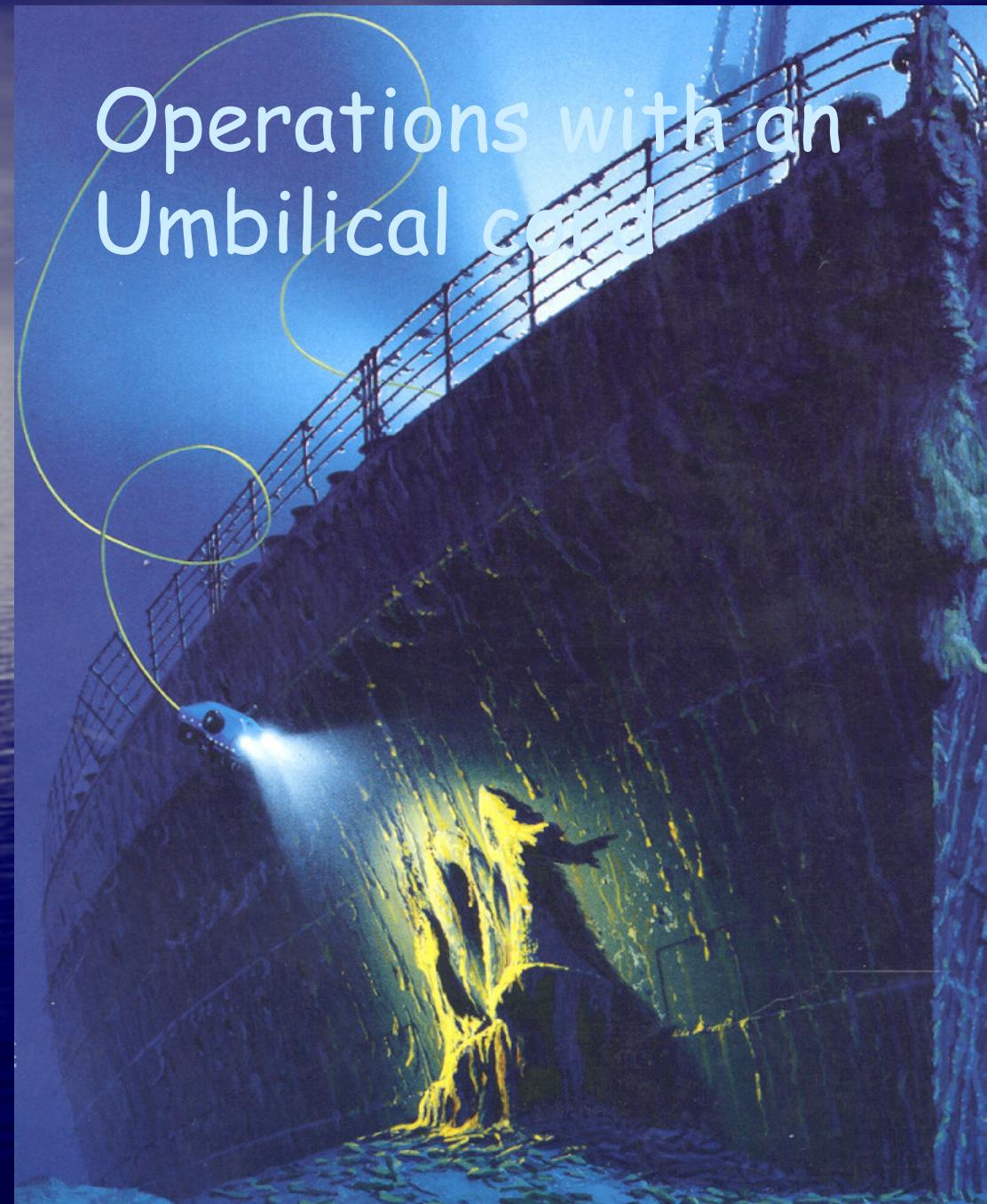
*Limited ocean coverage  
Jeopardize human lives  
High operation costs*



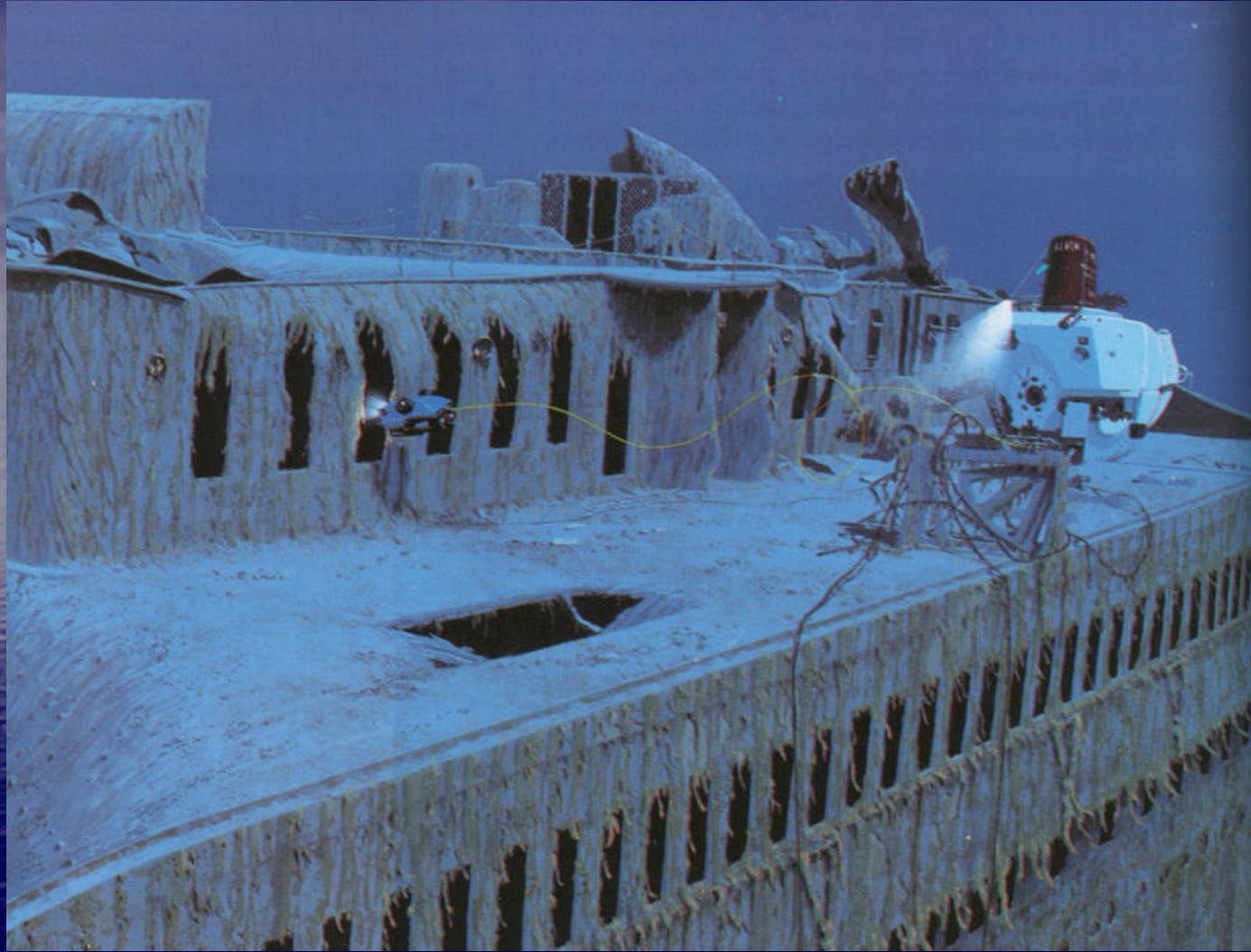
The jump forward:  
The discovery of the TITANIC!

KEN MARSCHALL 1982

Operations with an  
Umbilical cable



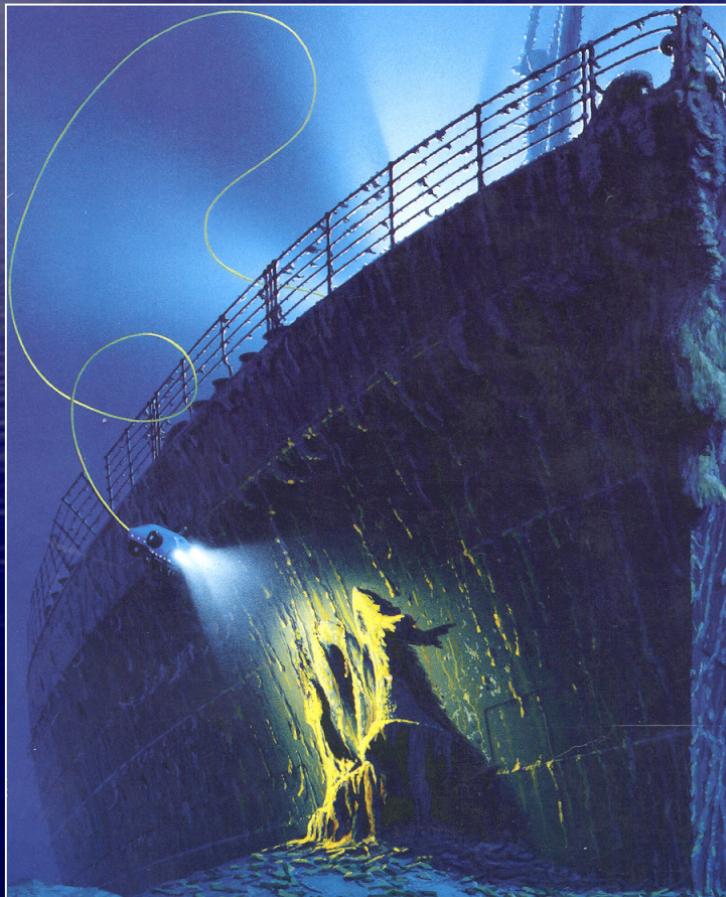
TITANIC:  
ROBIN: the  
small robot



Joint operation of **ALVIN** and  
**ROBIN**



# “Modern” Methods



***ROVs – Remotely Operated Vehicles***

***TITANIC***

***The small companion ROV  
(carrying an umbilical)***



# “Modern” Methods

***ROVs – Remotely Operated Vehicles***





# “Modern” Methods



***AUVs - Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (cut the umbilical!)***



***High maneuverability  
Autonomy  
Automatic execution of tedious tasks***



# “Modern” Methods



***ASC - Autonomous Surface Craft***

***High maneuverability  
Autonomy***

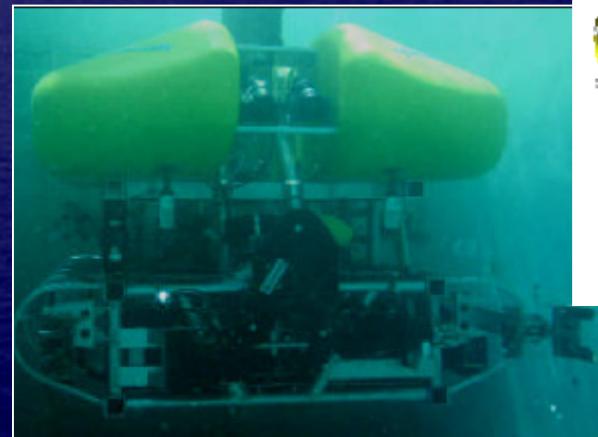




# “Modern” Methods

*Freesub  
Network, EC*

**ALIVE (FR)**



**Intervention AUVs**

**[www.cybernetix.fr/freesub/](http://www.cybernetix.fr/freesub/)**



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE

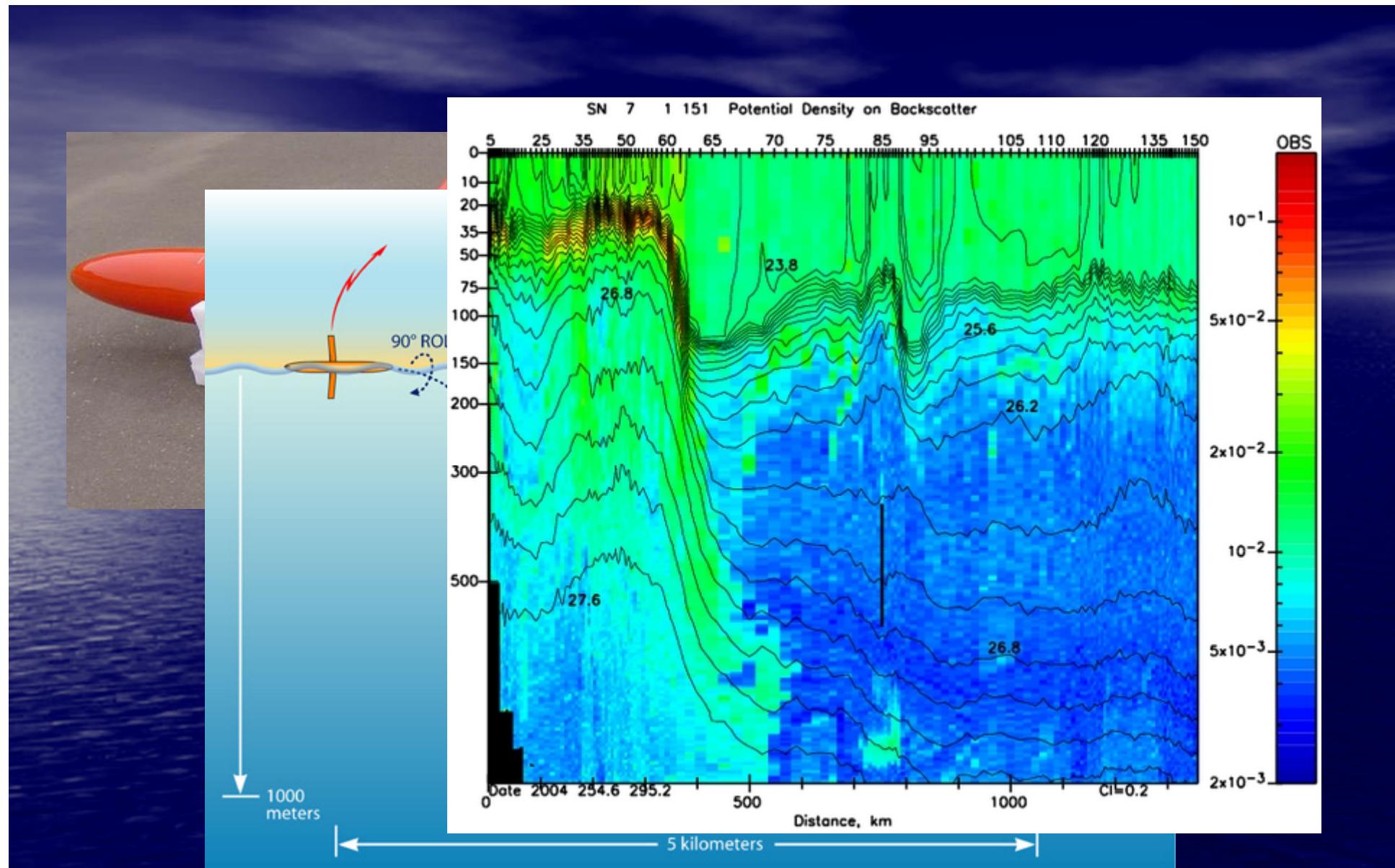


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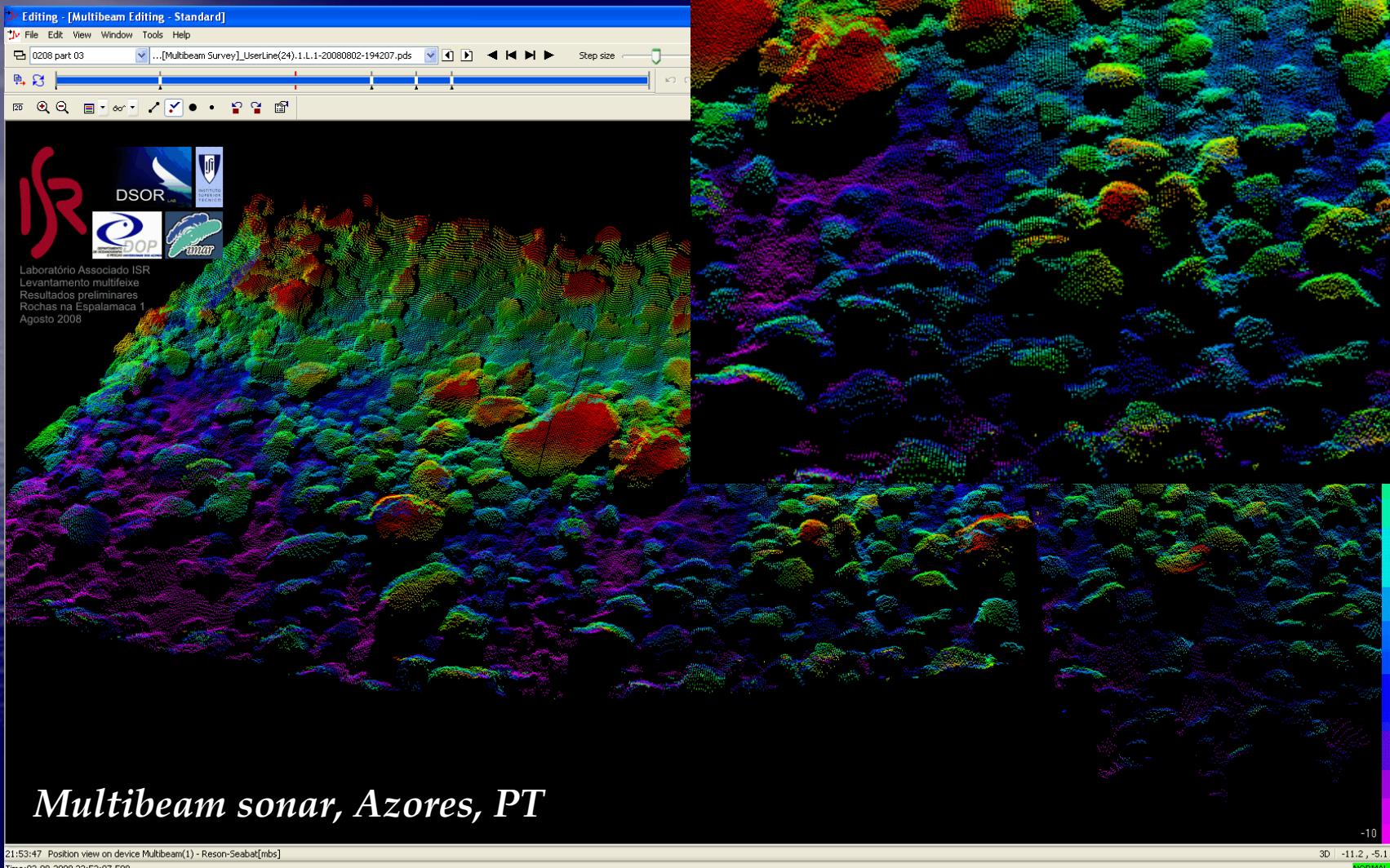


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***AUV-like (no umbilical)  
Bluff body  
Hovering / Intervention  
capabilities***



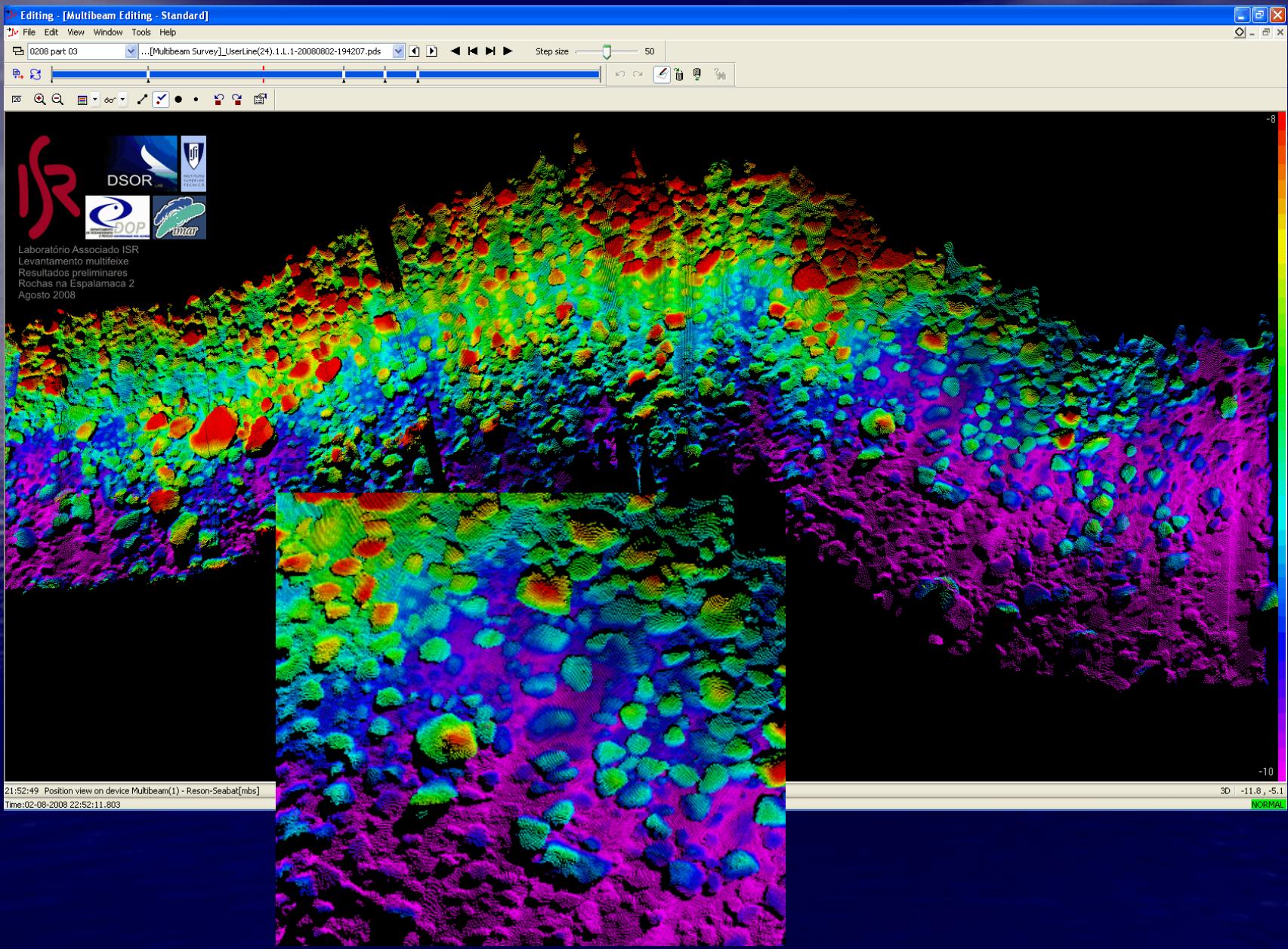
*GLIDER TECHNOLOGY*



*Multibeam sonar, Azores, PT*

*Seeing with “acoustic” eyes*

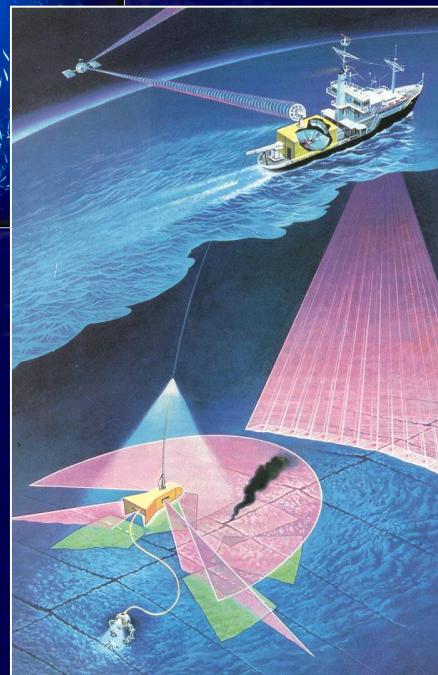
# *Seeing with “acoustic” eyes*





## “Future” Trends

Sampling networks – fixed and moving units  
(Divers, Floating devices, Moored equipment,  
Inhabited submersibles, Ocean vessels, ROVs,  
AUVs, ASCs, Benthic stations).





# Sampling Networks

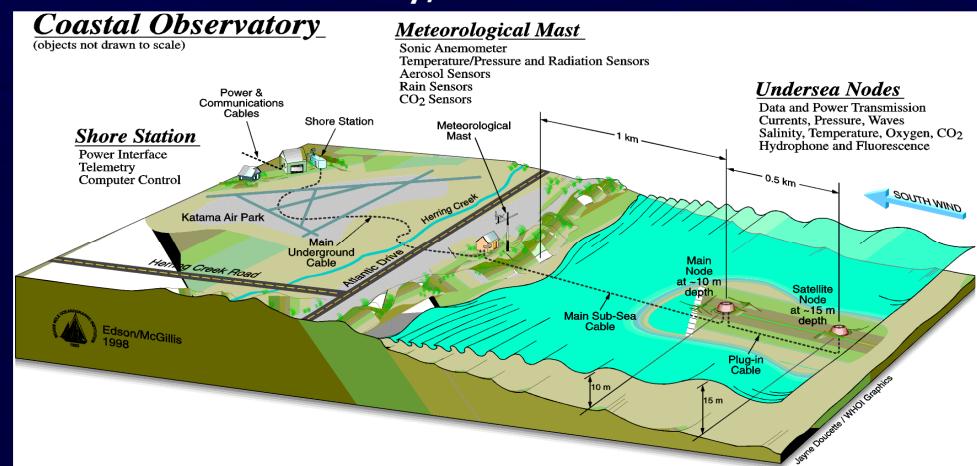


Coriolis Initiative, FR

Marine Board, ESC  
Marine Technology Frontiers for Europe

*AUVs deployed to monitor episodic events.*

Martha's Vineyard coastal observatory, USA



Key Issues: Communications, Information, Decision, Control.



## Meeting the Challenges: the wonderful swimming machines





## The MARIUS AUV



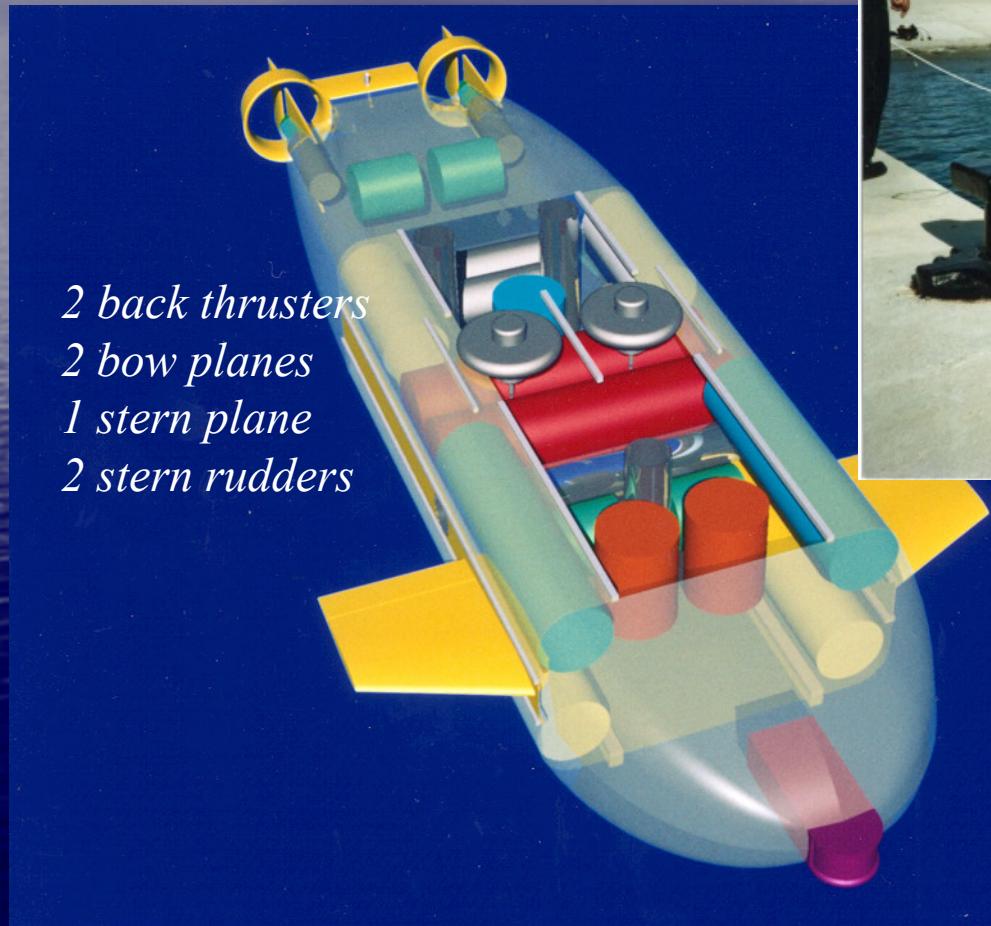
IST (PT)  
MARIDAN (DK)  
ORCA (FR)  
THOMSON (FR)



The *MARIUS* AUV  
MAST II  
EC Project



# The MARIUS AUV



*Streamlined  
Designed to “fly” above the seabed  
No hovering capabilities  
Trajectory Tracking and Path  
Following required.*

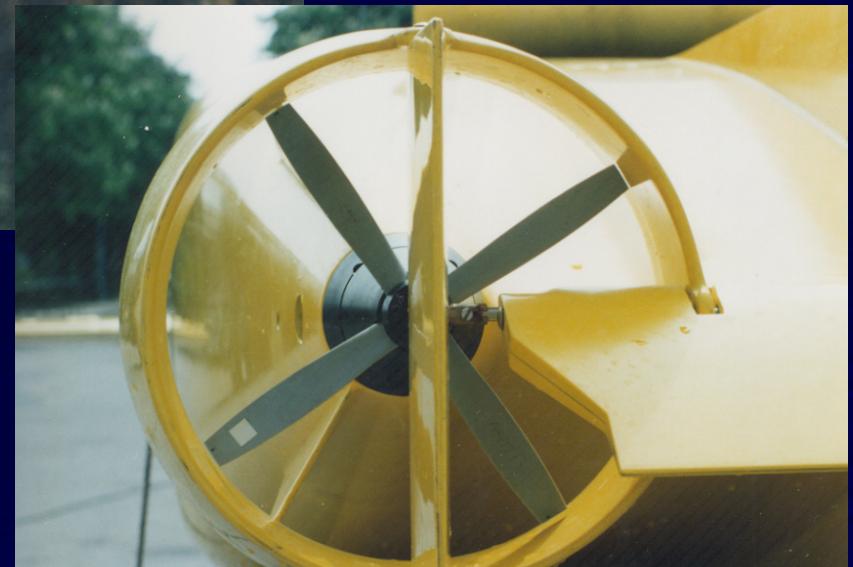


Speed of  
Rotation of  
propellers



Thrust force

Acuators – Propulsion

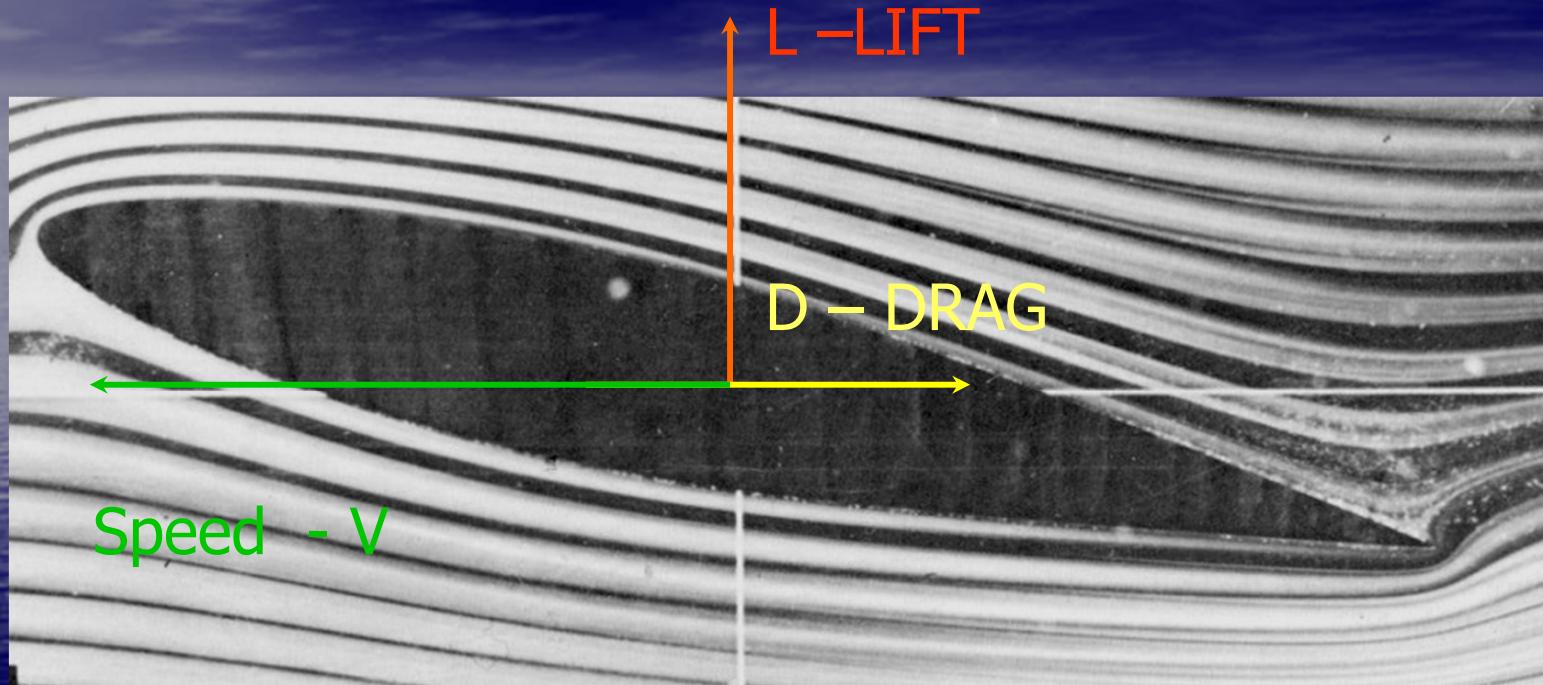




Actuators  
(Surfaces)

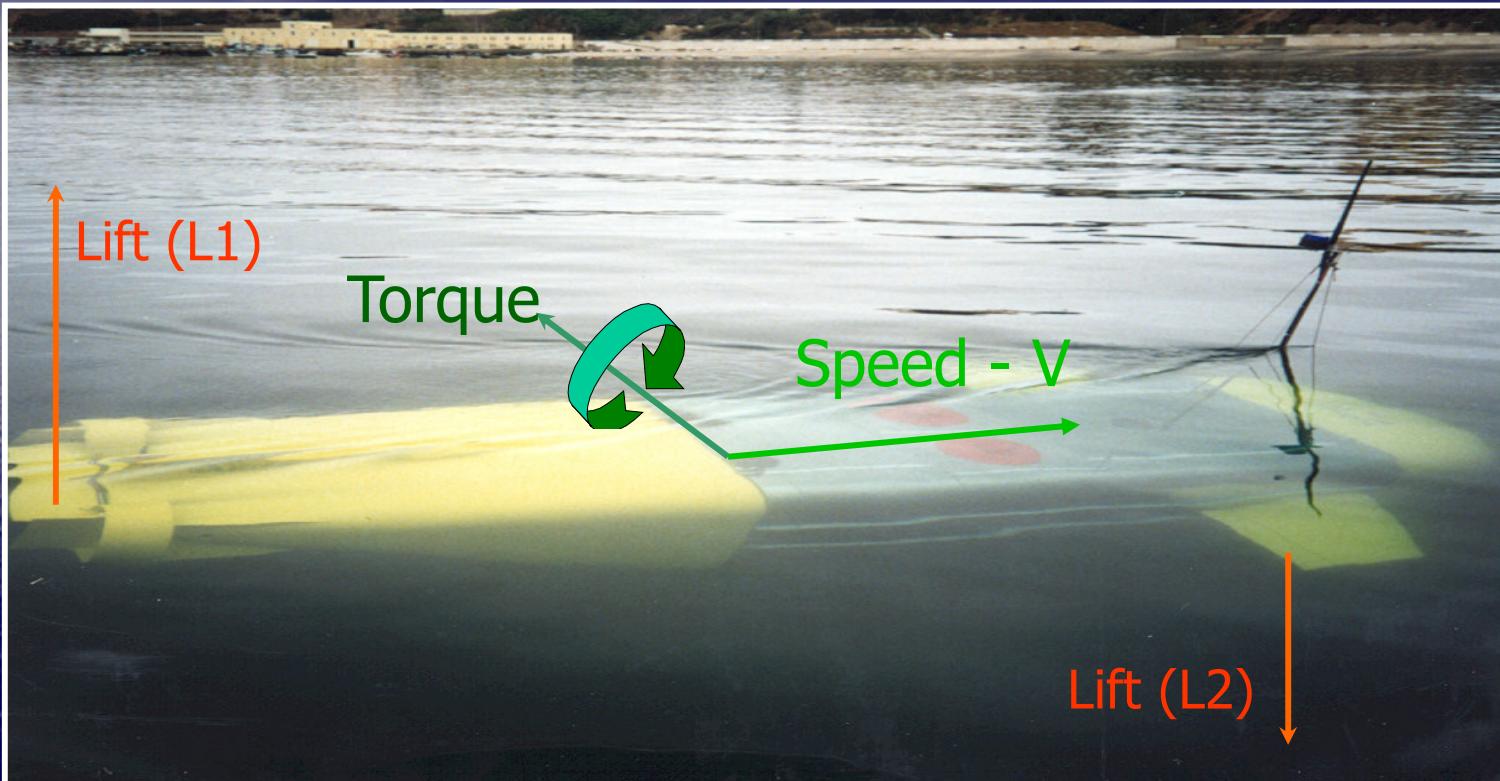
Surface Deflection → Forces and Torques

# Hydrodynamic Forces



Flow around a wing

# Hydrodynamic forces



Vertical plane motion

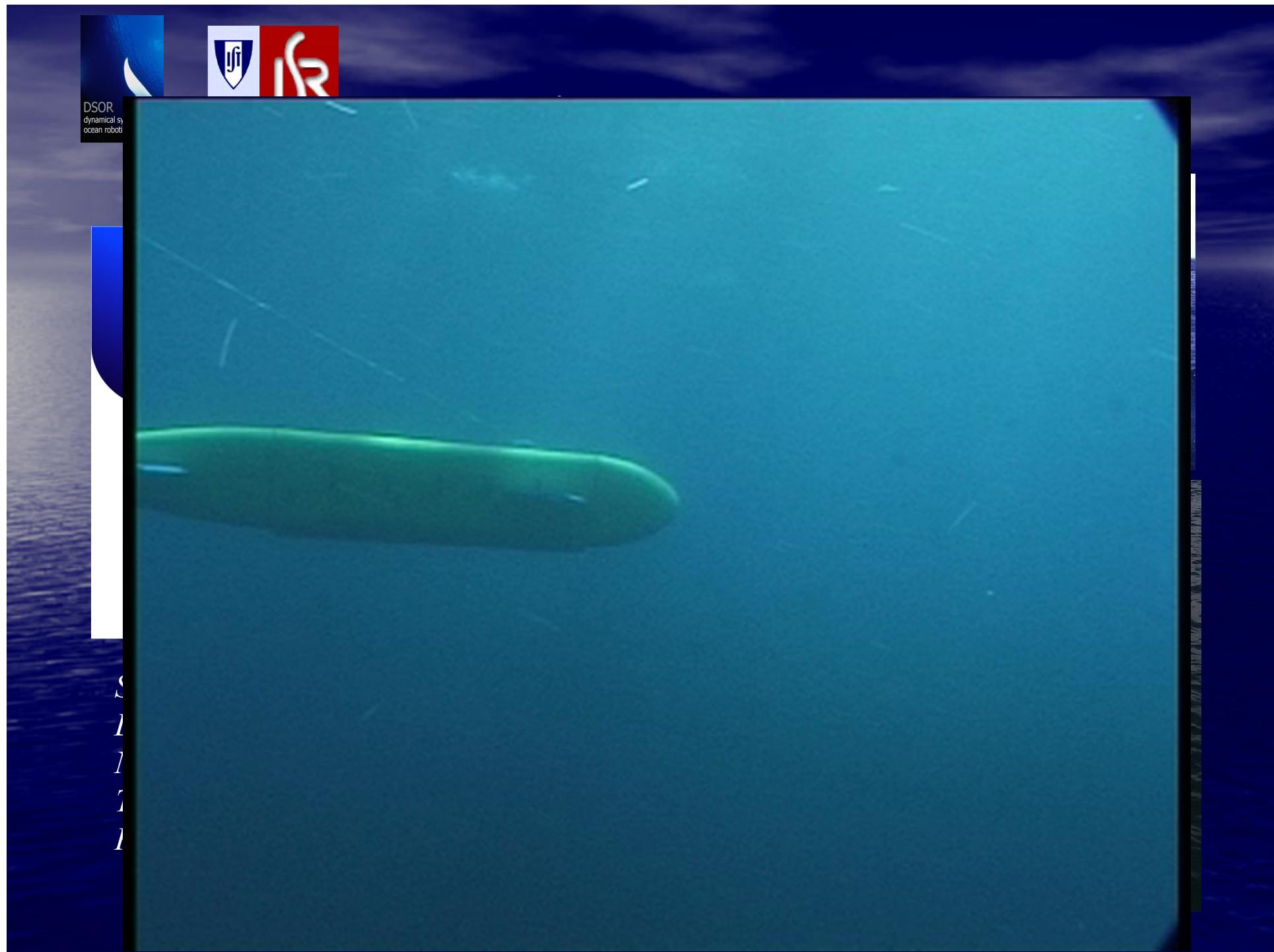


## The MARIUS AUV



Tests with the  
MARIUS AUV

SINES, Portugal





## The SIRENE "ROV-LIKE" AUV



THE *SIRENE*  
UNDERWATER  
SHUTTLE

MAST II EC Project





## The SIRENE "ROV-LIKE" AUV



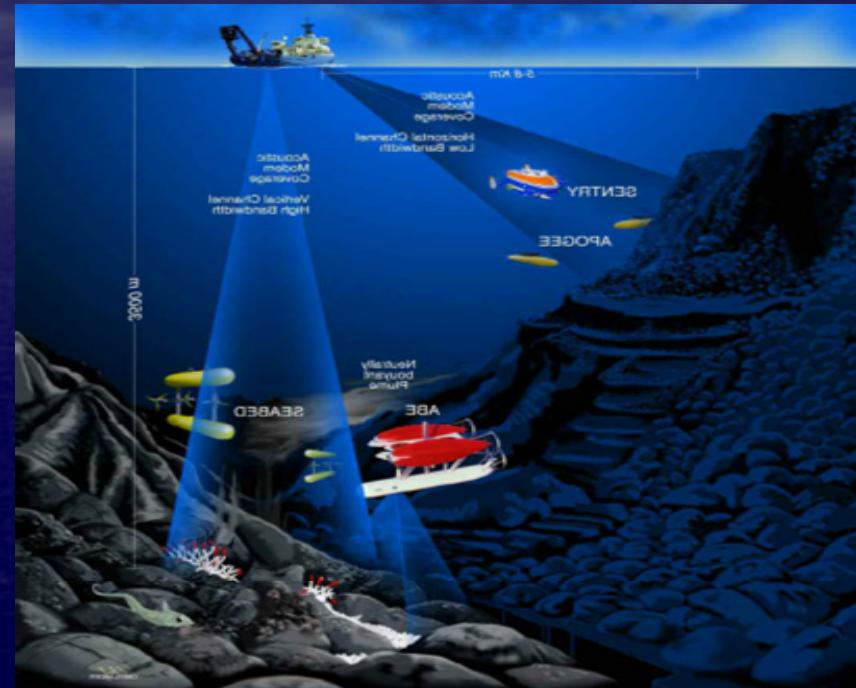
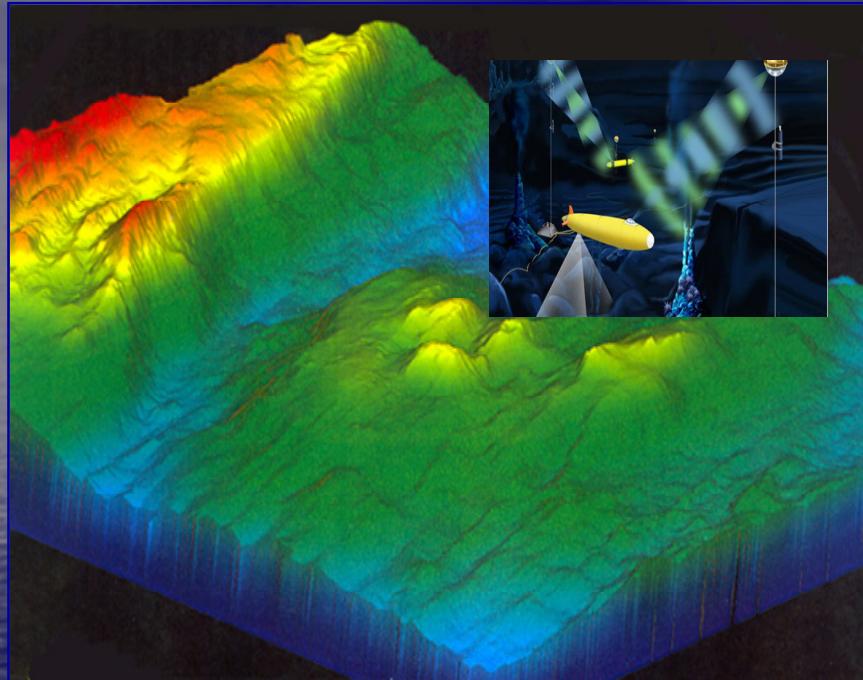
*2 back thrusters  
1 vertical thruster  
NO side thruster*

*"Bluff body "  
Depth Control  
Point stabilization required*



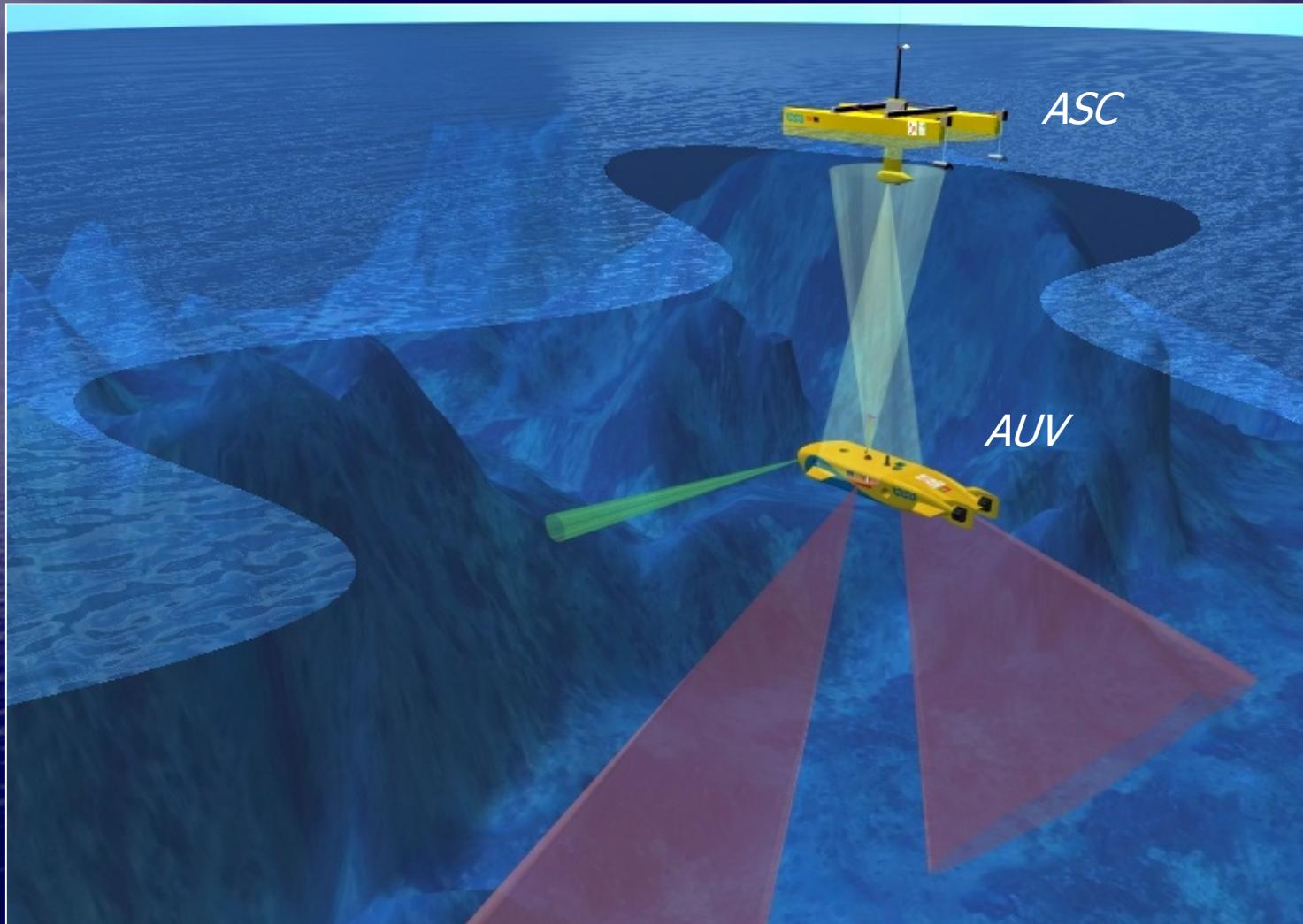


# Sea: the Ultimate Frontier



Make room for multiple vehicles!

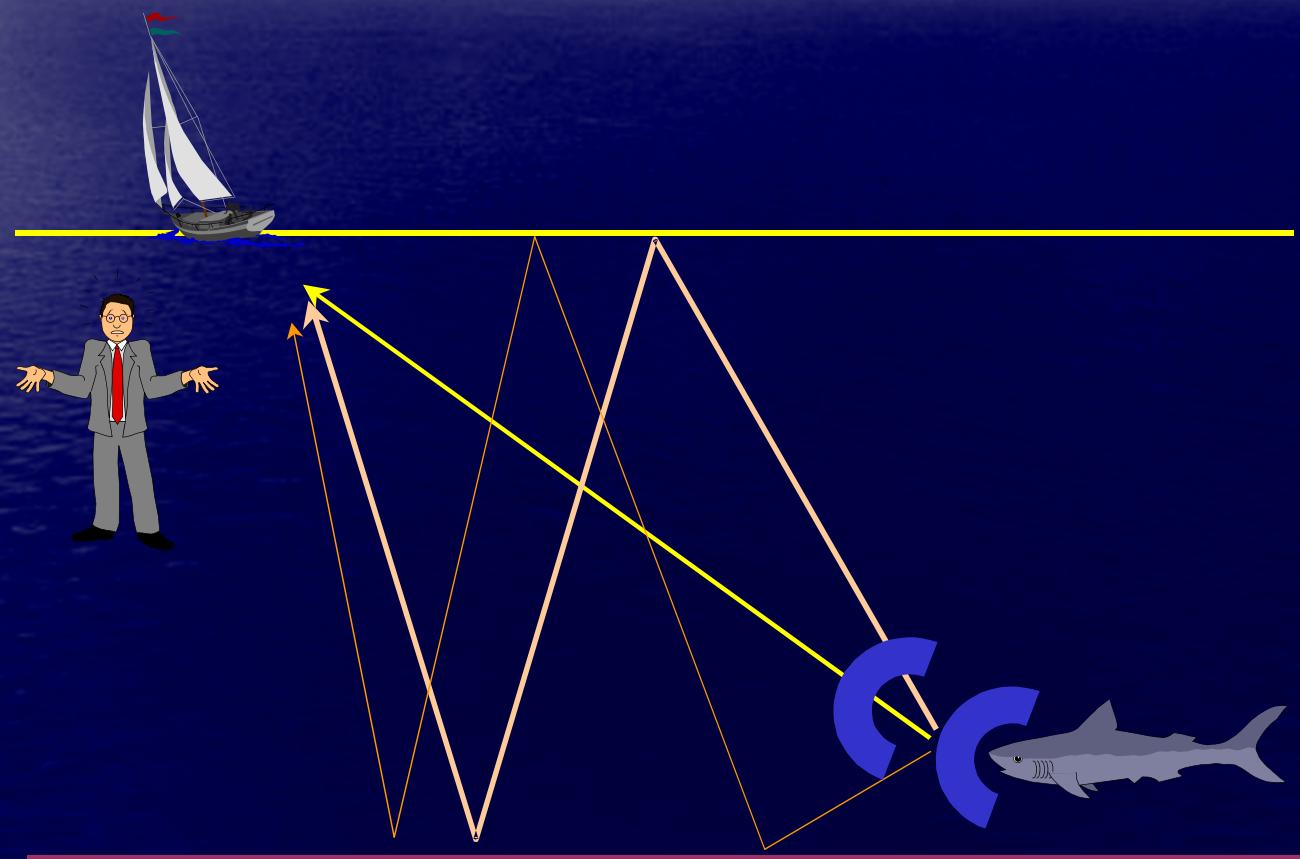
## *Cooperative Missions at Sea: the ASIMOV project*



*Surface and underwater vehicle operating in master / slave configuration (ASIMOV, 2000)*

# Problem to be solved: Communications

Underwater Communications – *very hard!*

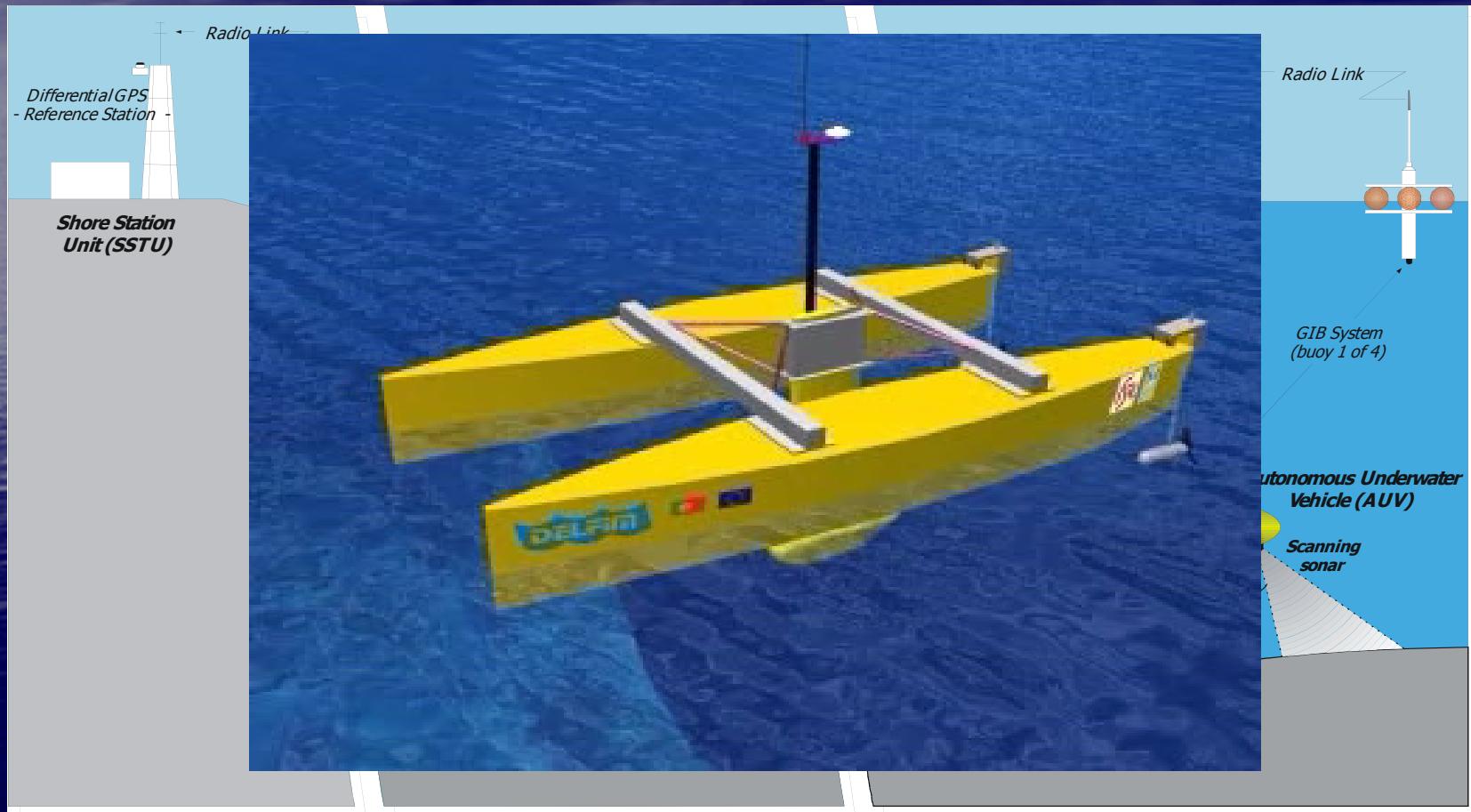


# Underwater Communications

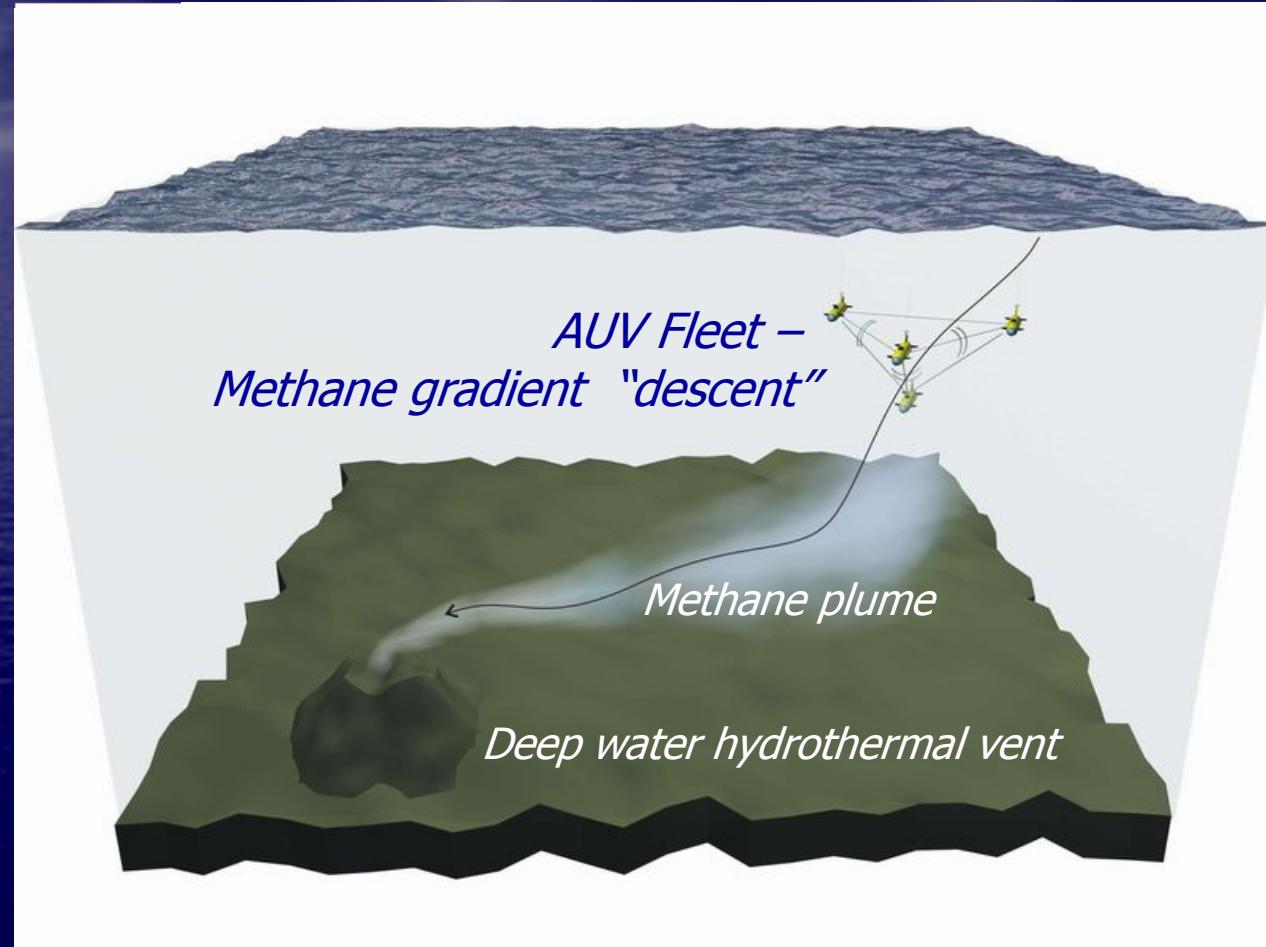


*Transmit in the vertical !*

# Coordinated Motion Control

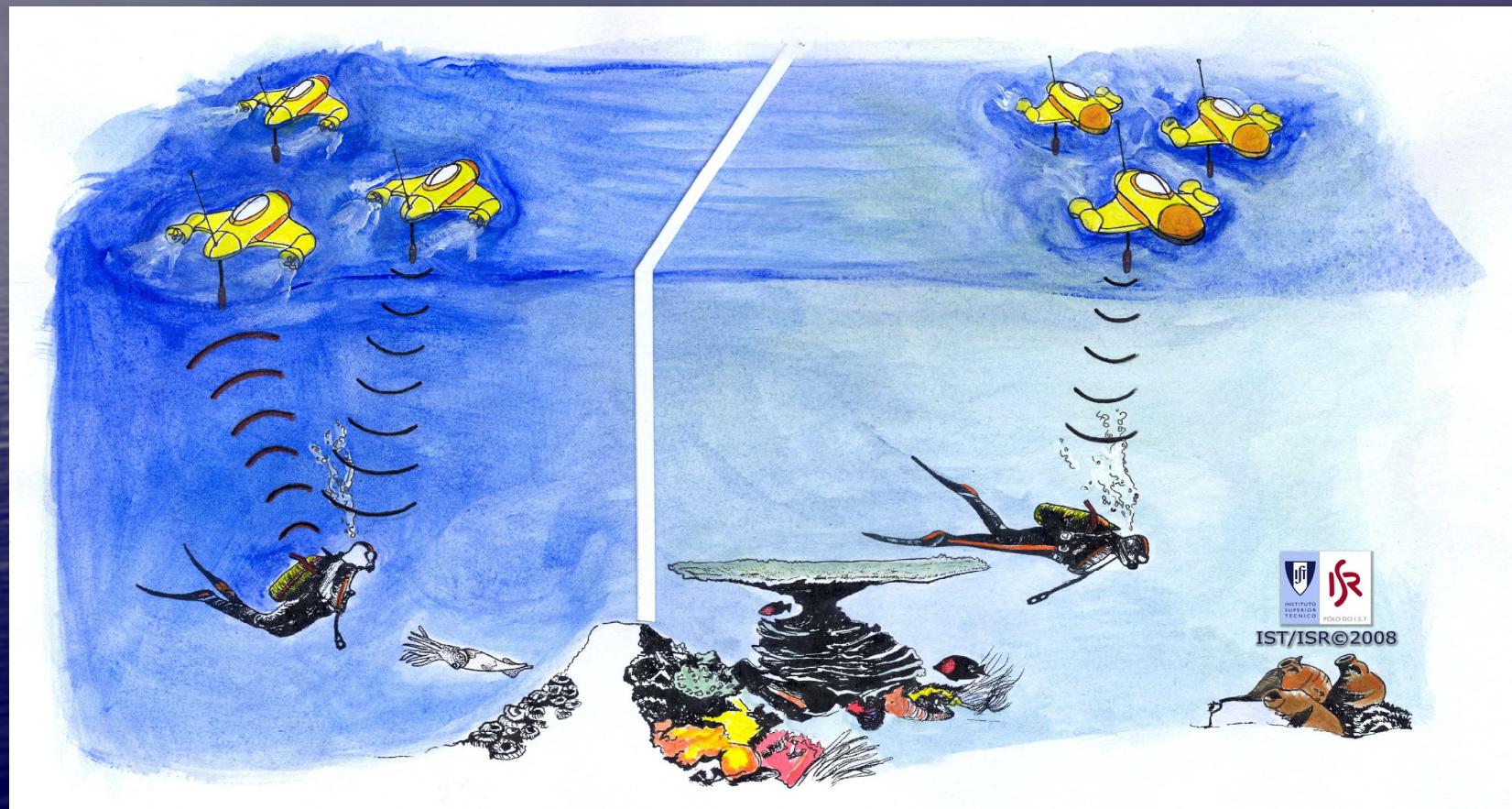


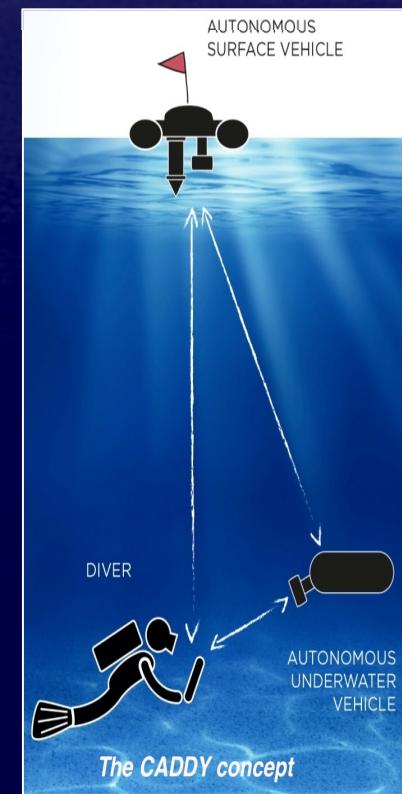
*The ASIMOV concept  
(ASIMOV project, EC - 2000)*



The quest for mid-water column  
hydrothermal vents, Azores, PT

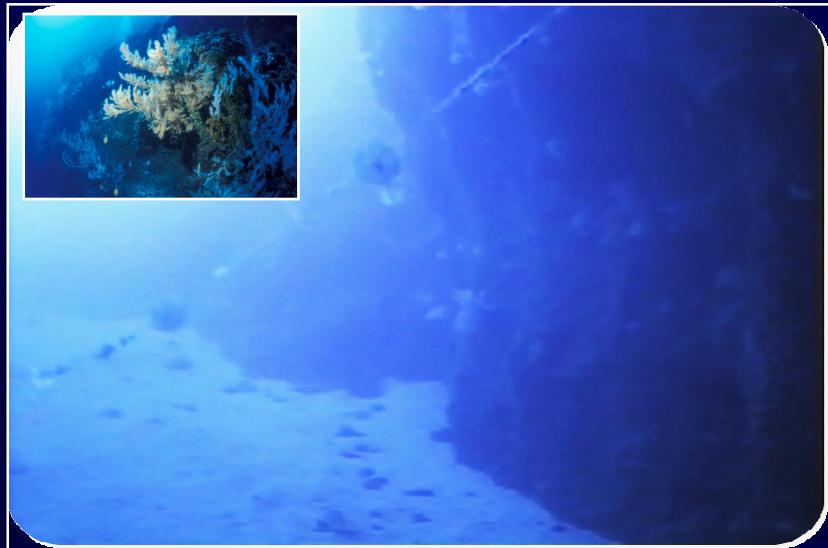
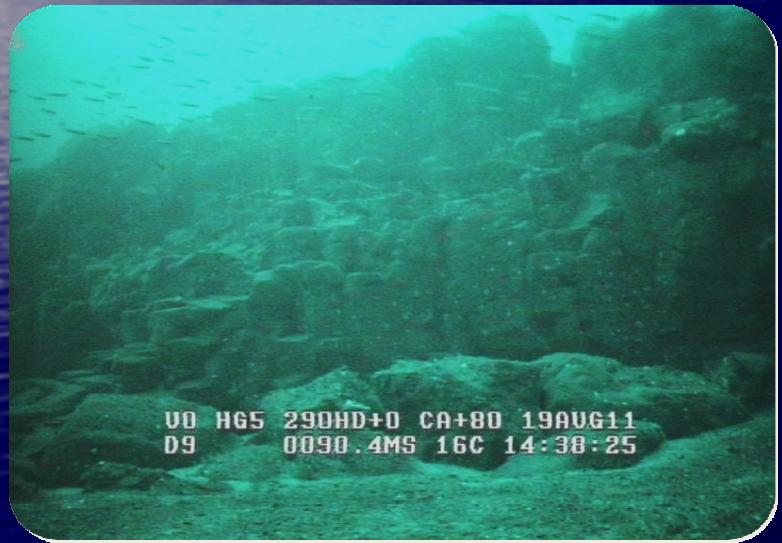
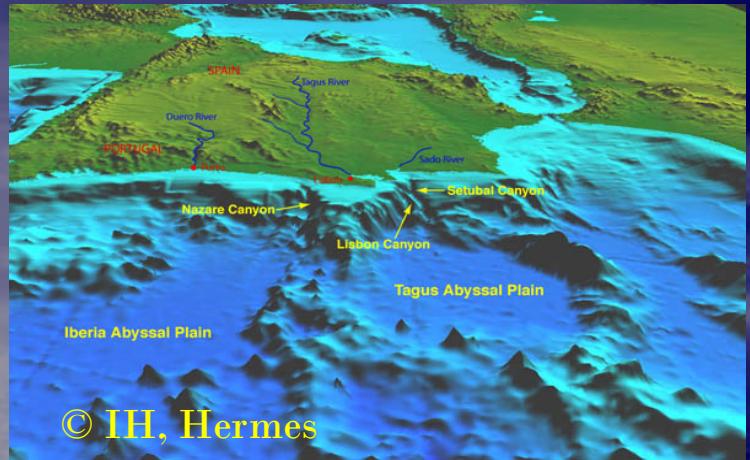
# Robots and Humans in the Loop





# New Challenges

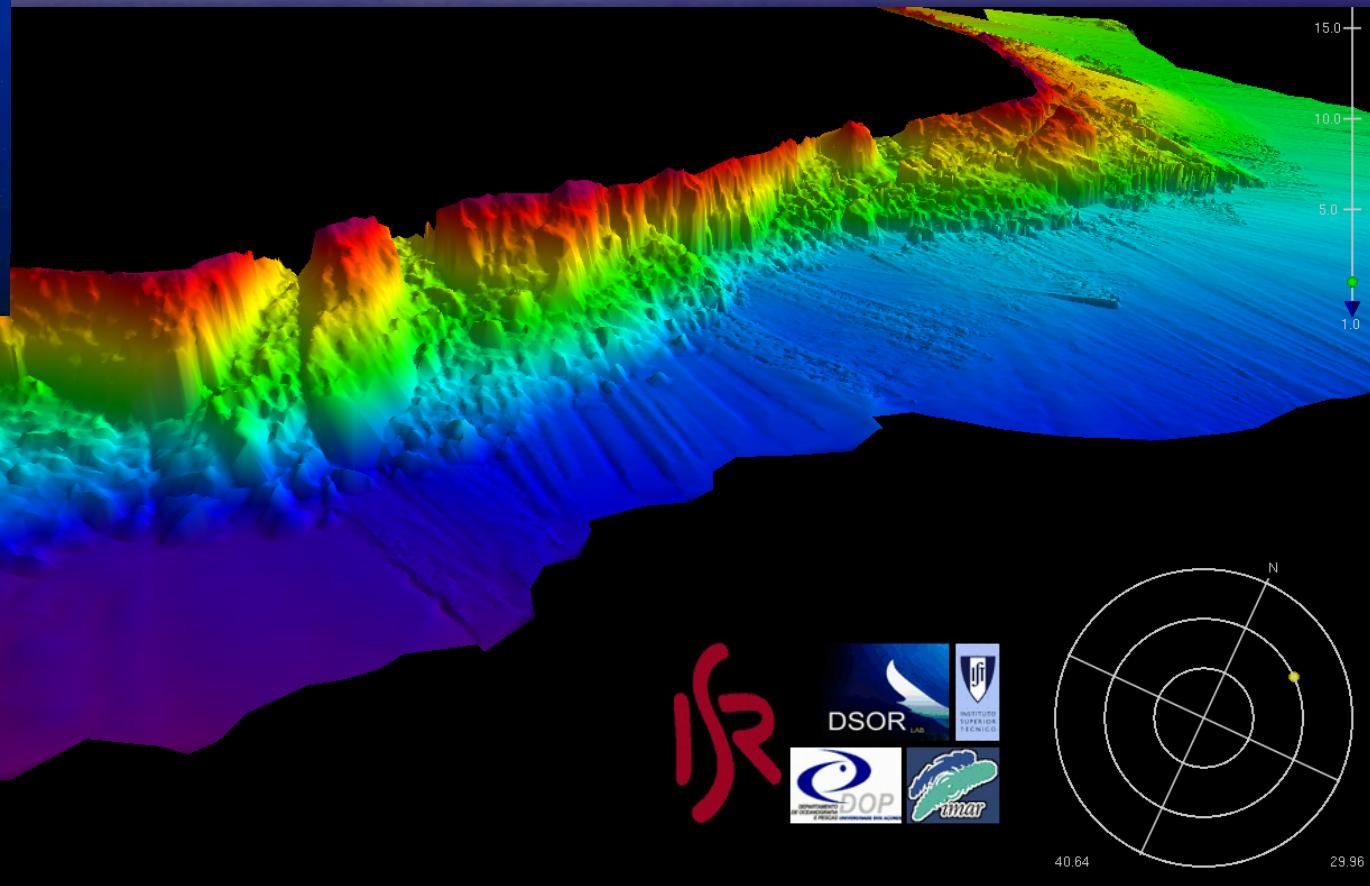
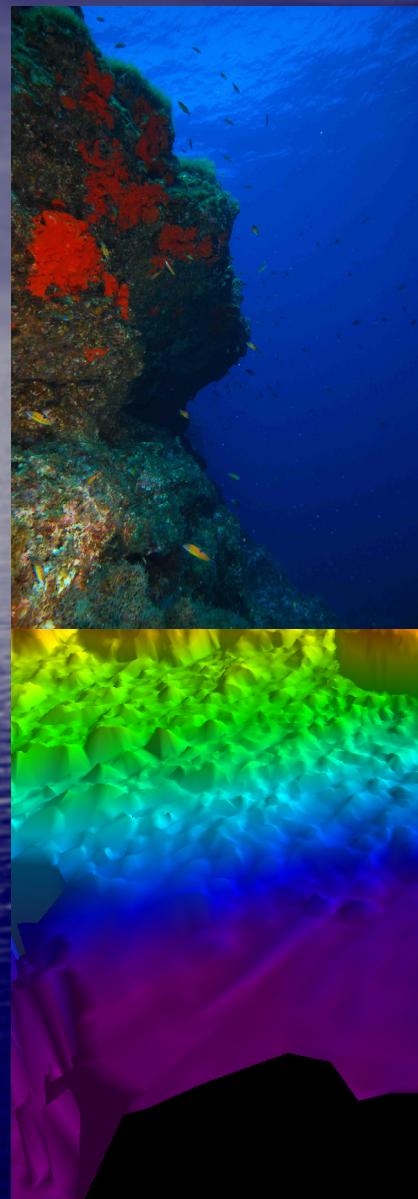
*Deep Sea Habitat Mapping near hydrothermal vents and in complex 3D environments*



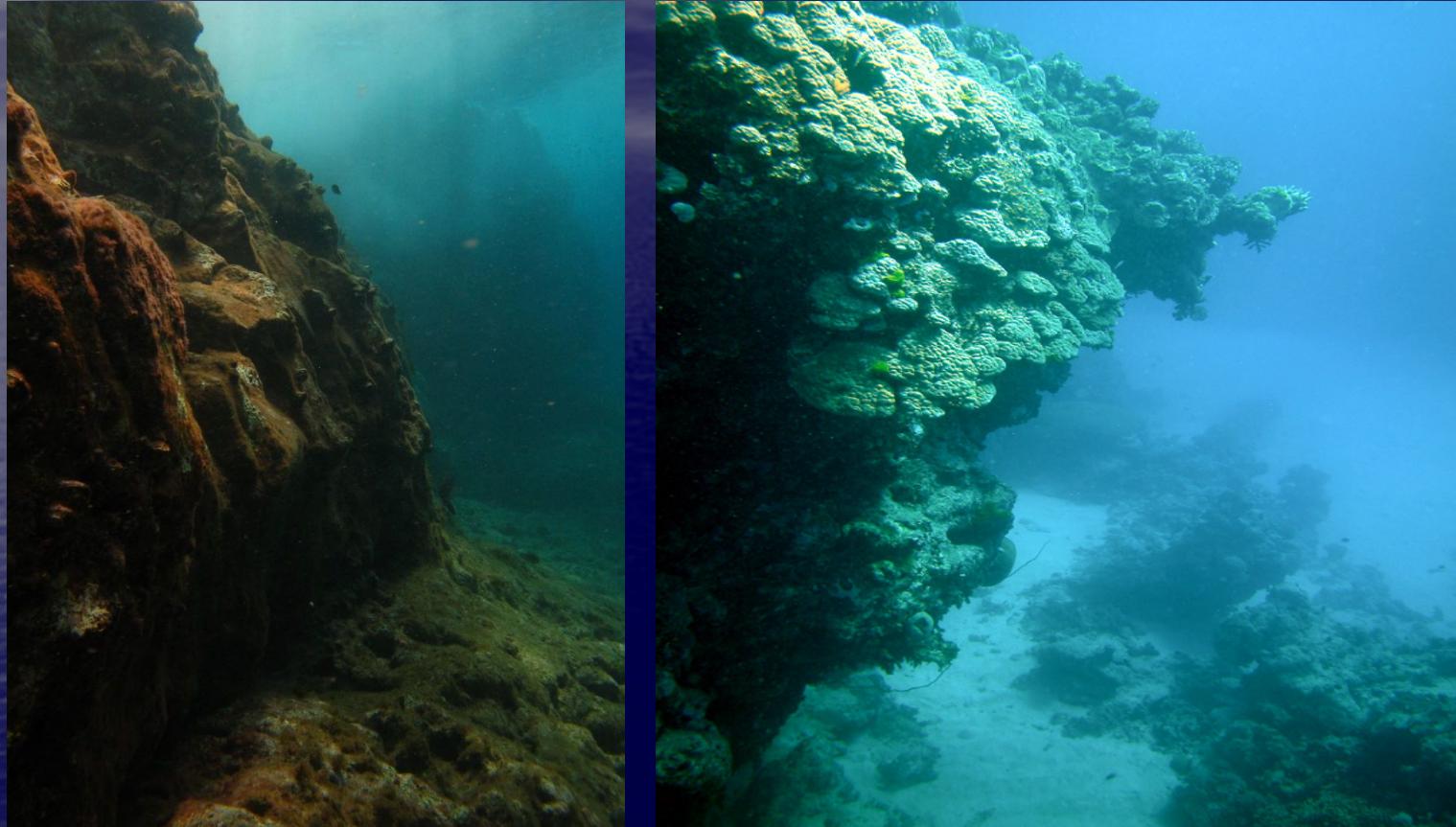
**Underwater cliffs, canyon walls, mass wasting walls, mid-ocean ridges, fracture zones, seamount flanks, continental margins, hydrothermal vent edifices**

# *End Products*

## *Habitat maps (acoustics and vision)*



# The cliff scenario



Key challenge: i) obtain *marine habitat maps* of complex underwater structures including steep cliffs and “overhangs” with a negative slope

# The cliff scenario



Can we learn from humans? ("hugging the cliff)

# The Cliff scenario



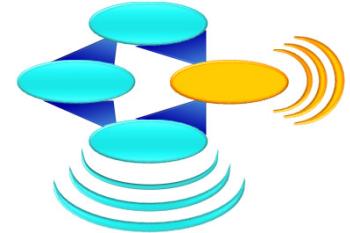
The MORPH supra-vehicle



Proposed technological solution: from single to  
*supra-vehicles with spatially self-organizing capability*

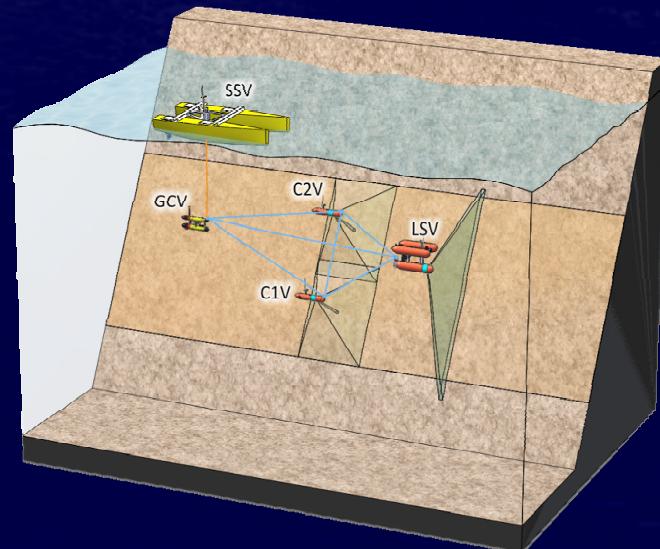


## FP7-ICT-2887704 MORPH PROJECT

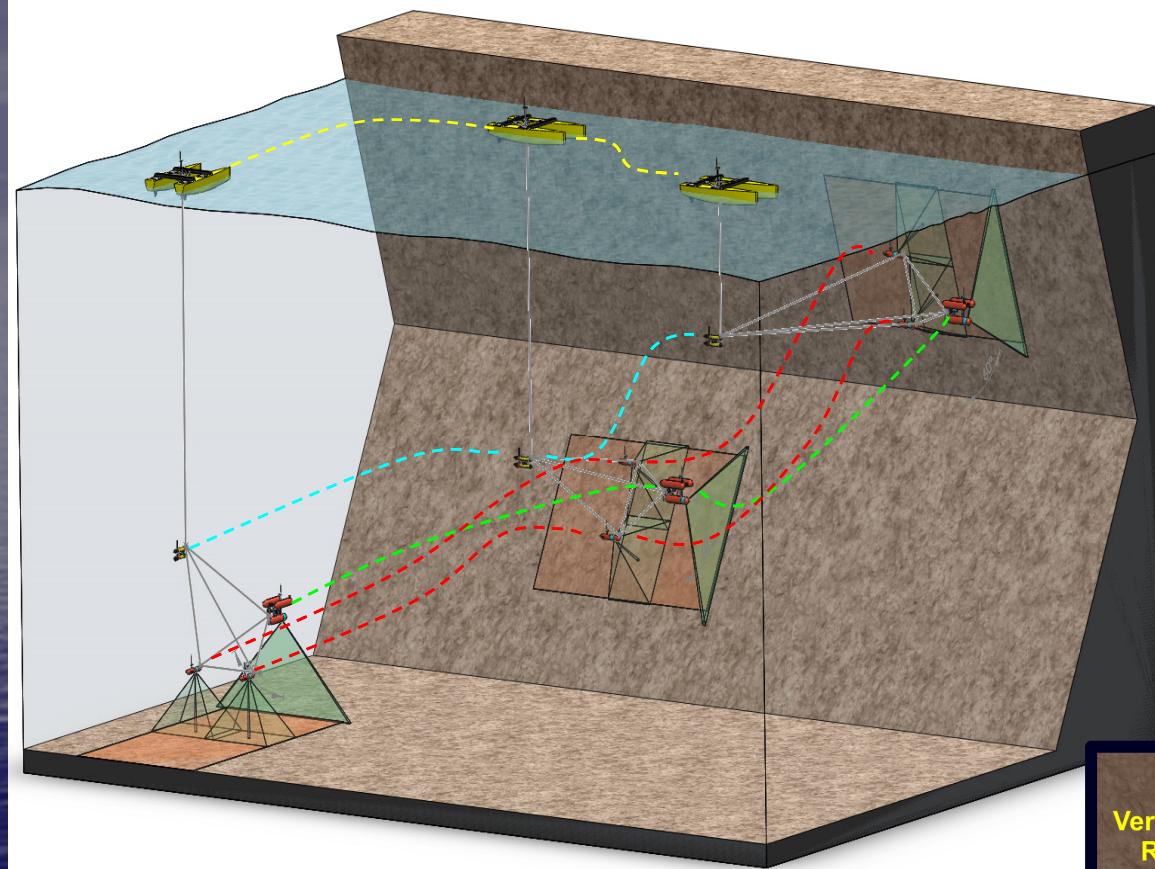


Marine robotic system  
of self-organizing,  
logically linked physical  
nodes

### MORPH Consortium

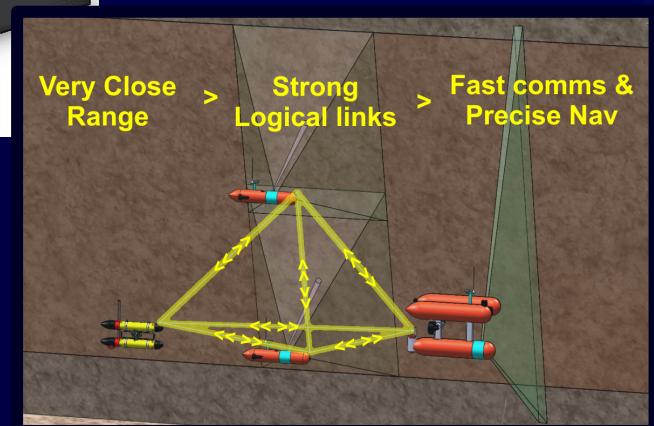


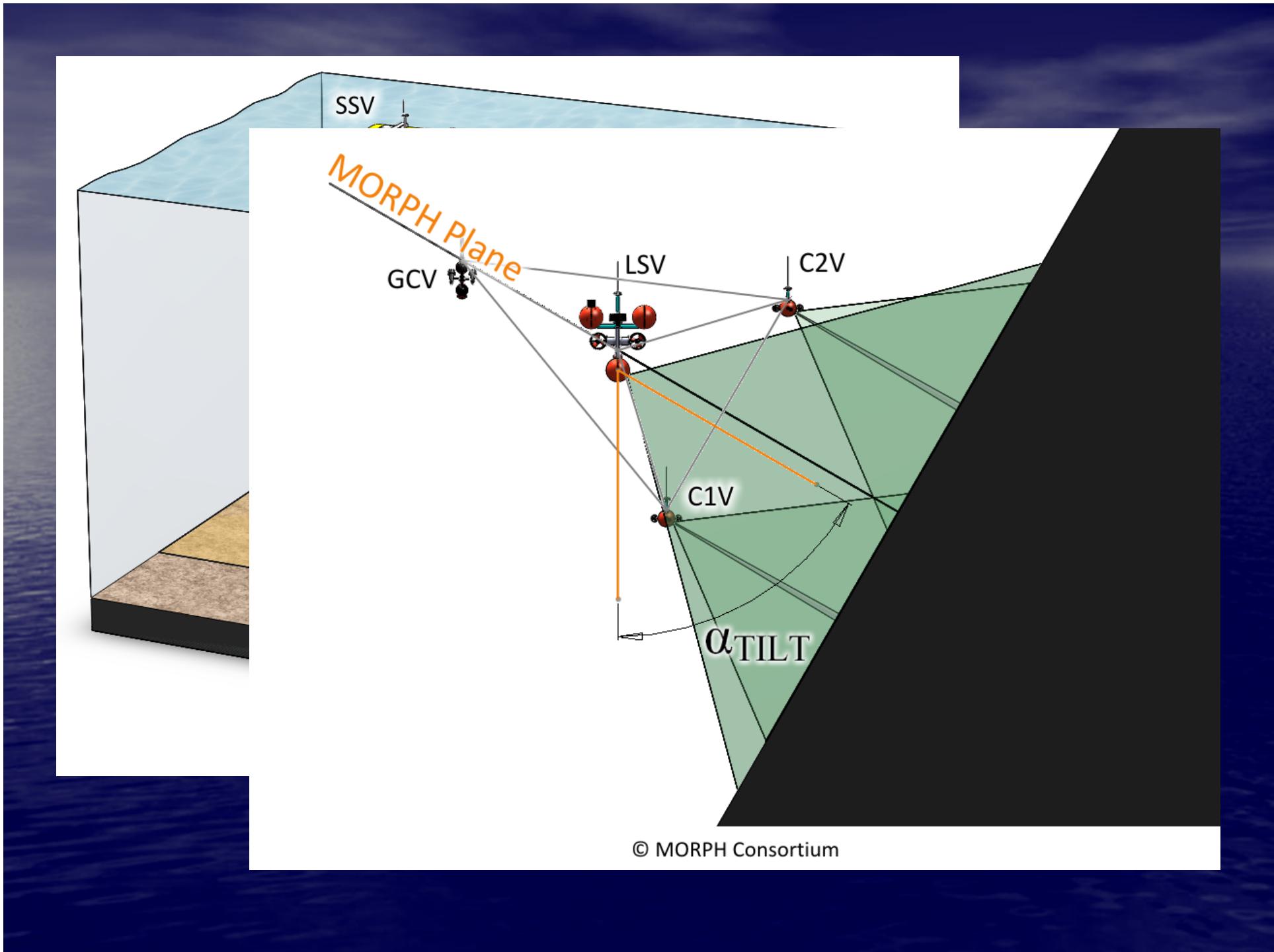
A new Paradigm is needed for Adaptive Mapping



A cluster  
of modules  
operating as a  
virtual  
marine vehicle

**Key MORPH concept:**  
*a self-reconfiguring robot for operations in  
complex 3D marine environments*





# The Morph Consortium

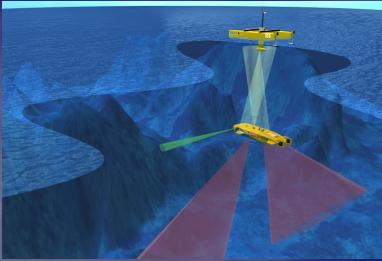
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3. Institut français de recherche pour l'exploitation de la mer, IFREMER (France)
4. Jacobs University (Germany)
5. Instituto Superior Tecnico / Institute for Systems and Robotics, IST/ISR (Portugal)
6. Ilmenau University of Technology, IUT (Germany)
7. NATO Undersea Research Centre, NURC (Italy)
8. Universitat de Girona, UDG (Spain)
9. Institute of Marine Research, IMAR (Portugal)
10. Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, WHOI (USA)

## Experimental Facilities



## Robotic Vehicles





Mission  
specification



## Cooperative motion planning

Nominal trajectories &  
desired vehicle formation

## Cooperative motion control

Global and local, relative vehicle positions

## Cooperative navigation

Cooperative systems: key blocks required

Fleet follows path and keeps desired formation pattern

*Vehicle formation*

*Path*

*Speed assignment*

**Cooperative Path Following (CPF)**

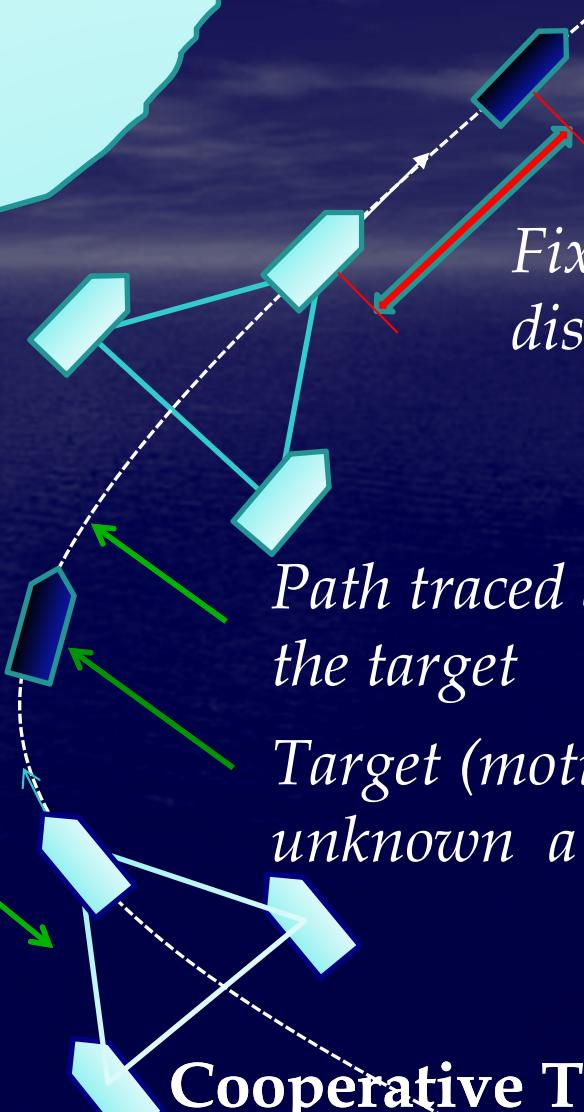
Keeps  
fixed distance  
from target

Vehicle  
formation

*Fixed target-fleet  
distance*

*Path traced by  
the target  
Target (motion  
unknown *a priori*)*

**Cooperative Target Tracking**



# From theory to practice: the MEDUSA ASVs

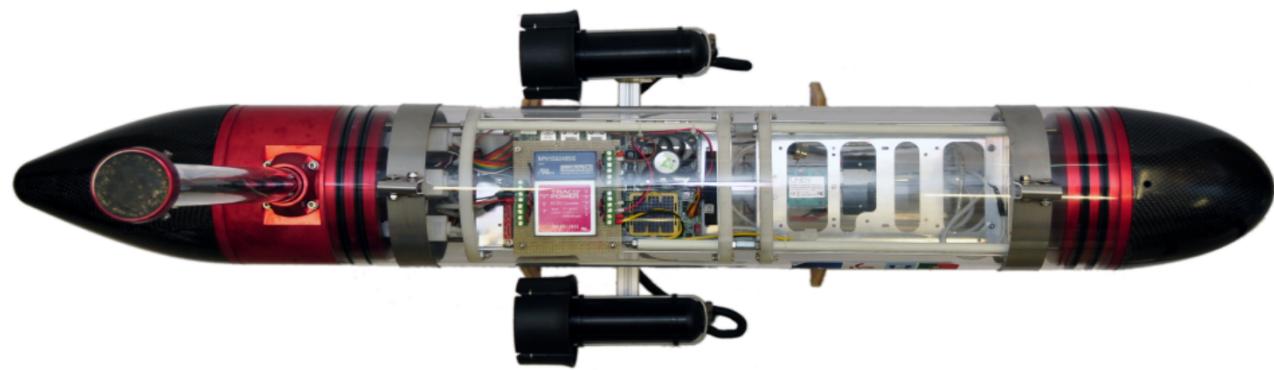


- . 3 autonomous vehicles (cooperative motion control capability)
- . Acoustic network (Tritech micromodems)

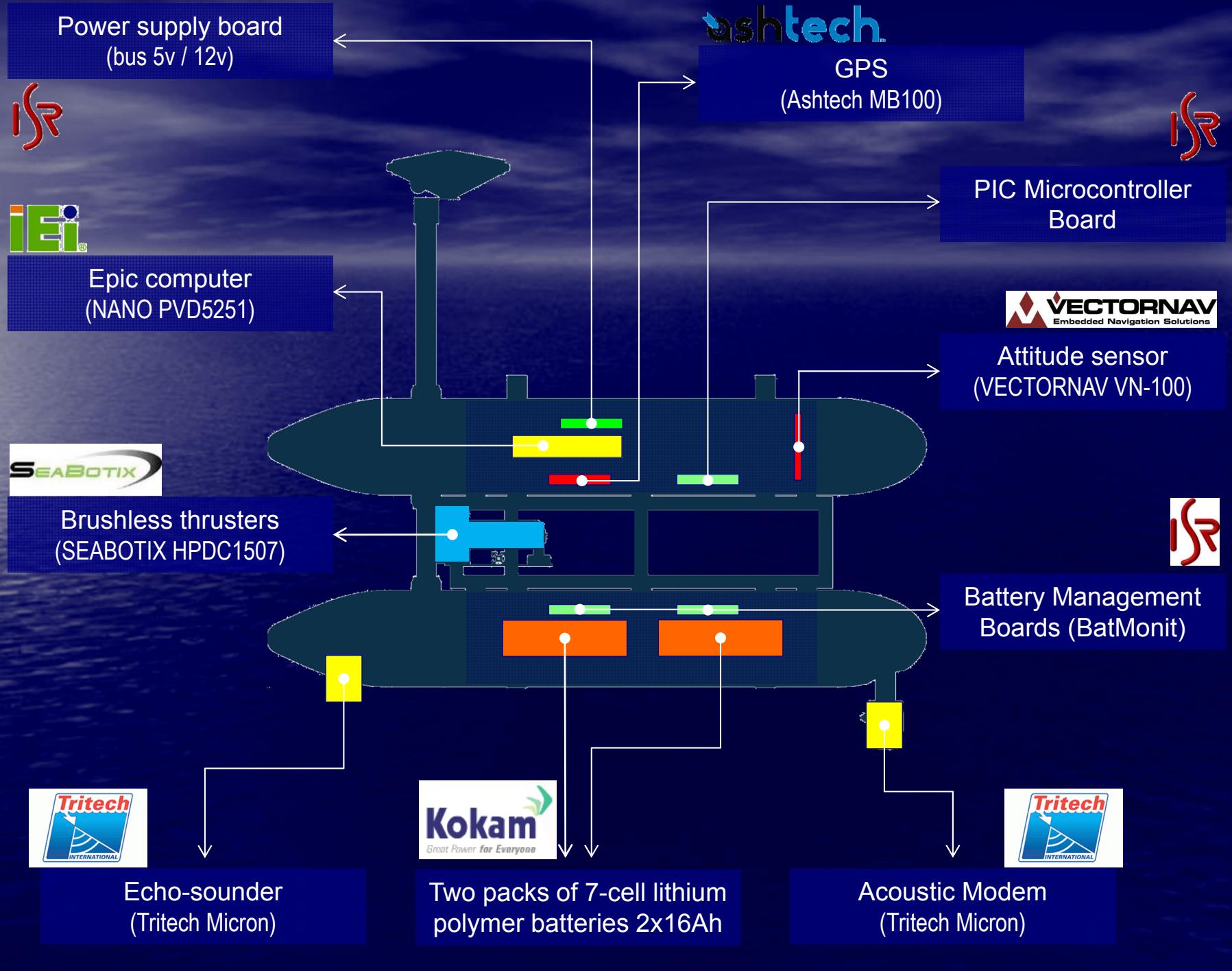
The MEDUSA class of AMVs



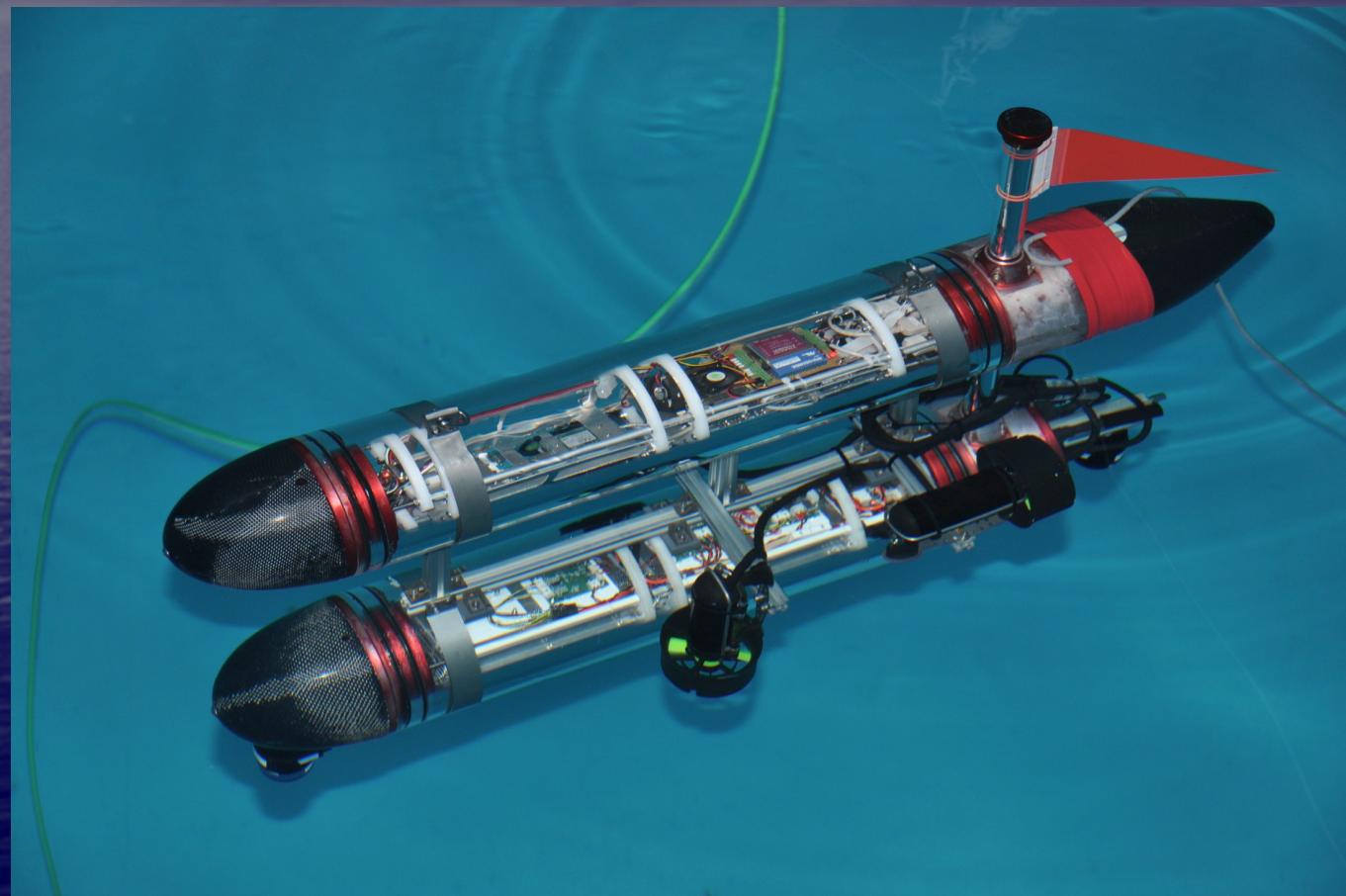
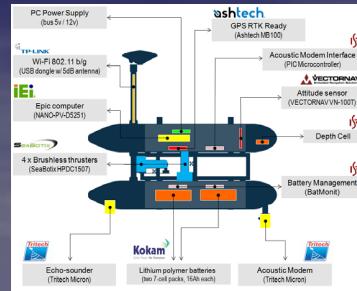
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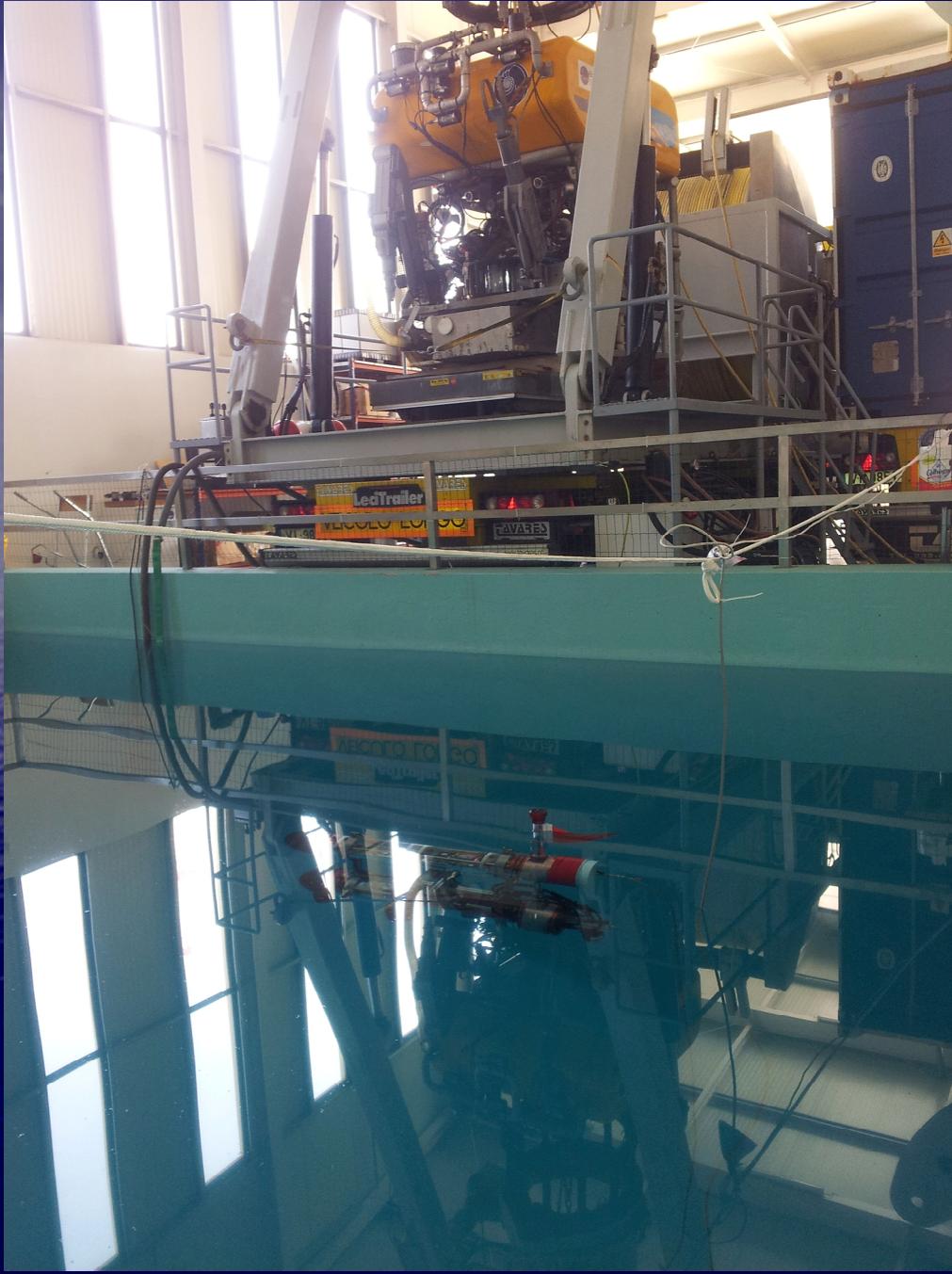
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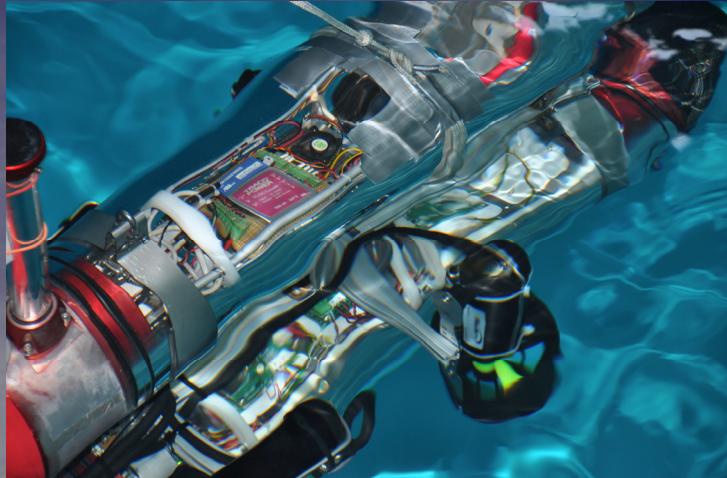


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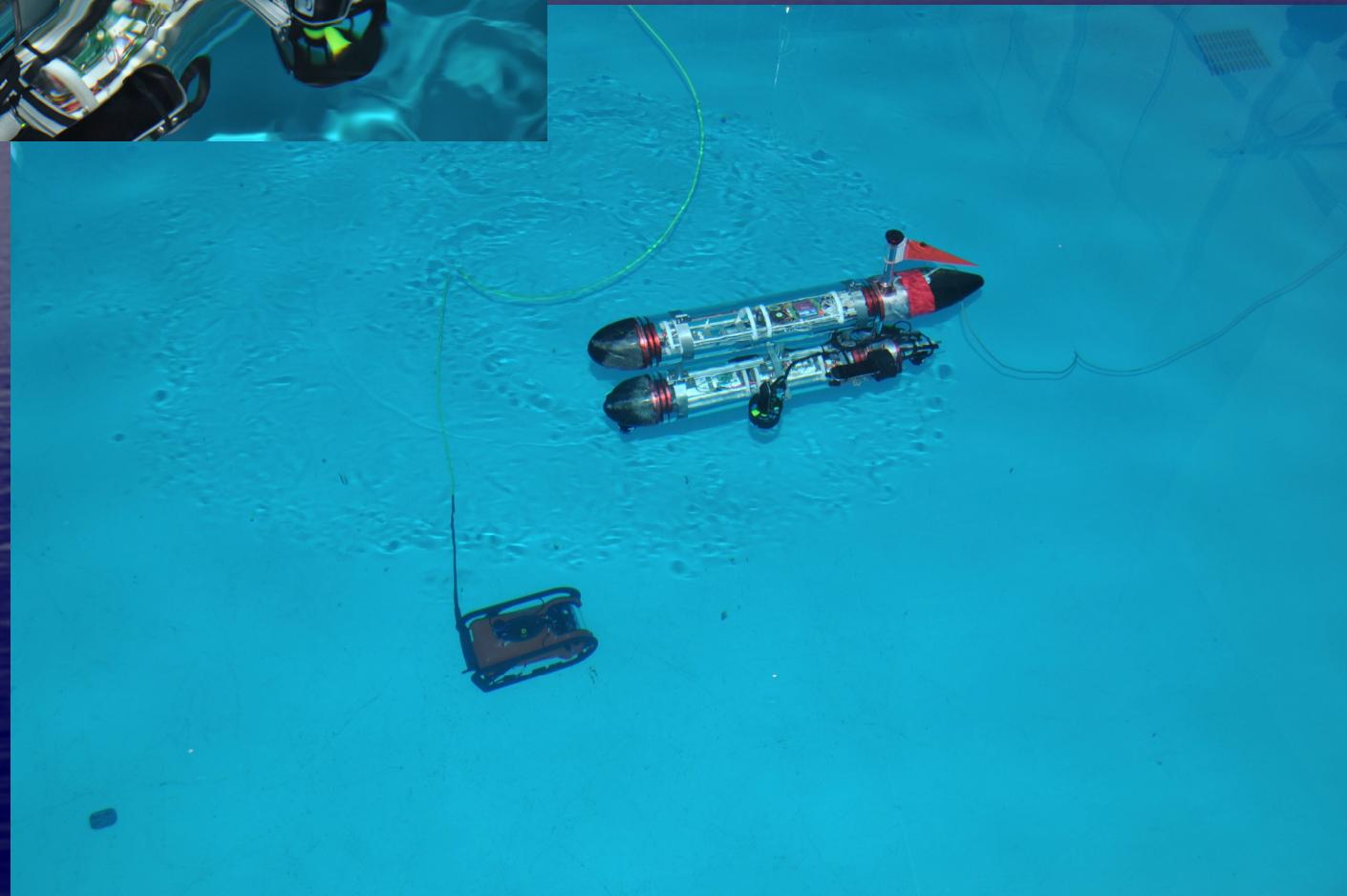


Diving Tests with  
**MEDUSA<sub>D</sub>**

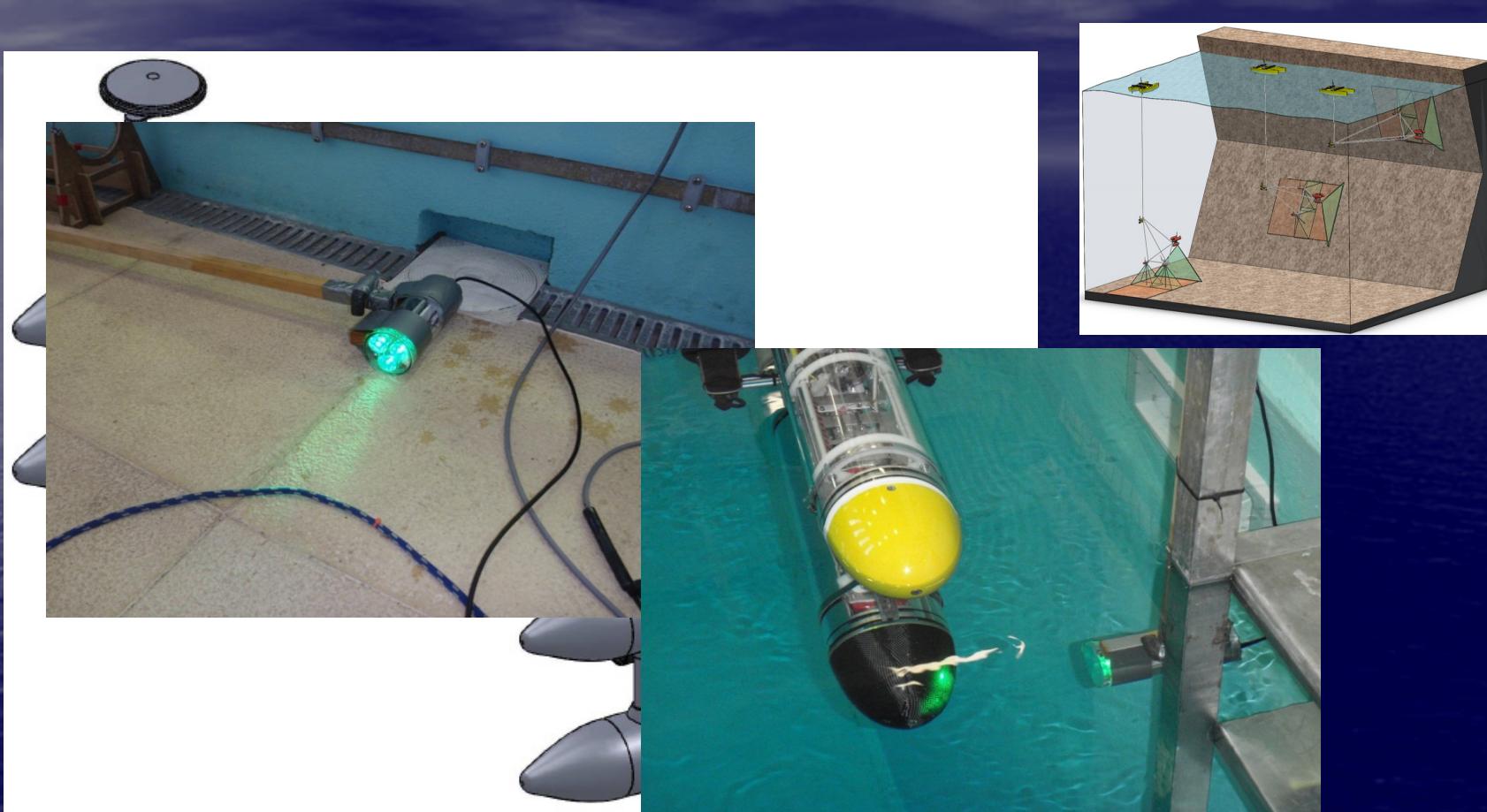
2013



# MEDUSA<sub>D</sub>



# Communications at close range



Compact, lightweight, low cost optical communication system to exchange data and commands among vehicles

# Transportation



The MEDUSA class of AMVs

# Transportation



The MEDUSA class of AMVs

# Deployment



The MEDUSA class of AMVs

# Operations in Lisbon, PT



# Motion Control of the Medusa ASVs: Systems Design and Tests at Sea

## The Medusa Robotic Vehicles

<b>Autonomy</b>	+6 hours (depending on average speed)	
<b>Weight</b>	20 Kg	
<b>Depth rate</b>	---	
<b>Surge Speed</b>	1.7 m/s max	
<b>CPU</b>	SBC + PC104	
<b>Software</b>	Linux OS + MOOS + IST proprietary	
<b>Power</b>	Batteries (Lipo)	
<b>Comms</b>	Wi-fi	
<b>Actuators</b>	2 horizontal brushless DC thrusters	
<b>DOF</b>	Surge, Yaw.	
<b>Sensors</b>	<b>Navigation</b>	GPS; Attitude and Heading Reference System (AHRS);
<b>Payload</b>	<b>Sonar/ Cameras/ Video/ Lights</b>	Micron acoustic modem; Video camera





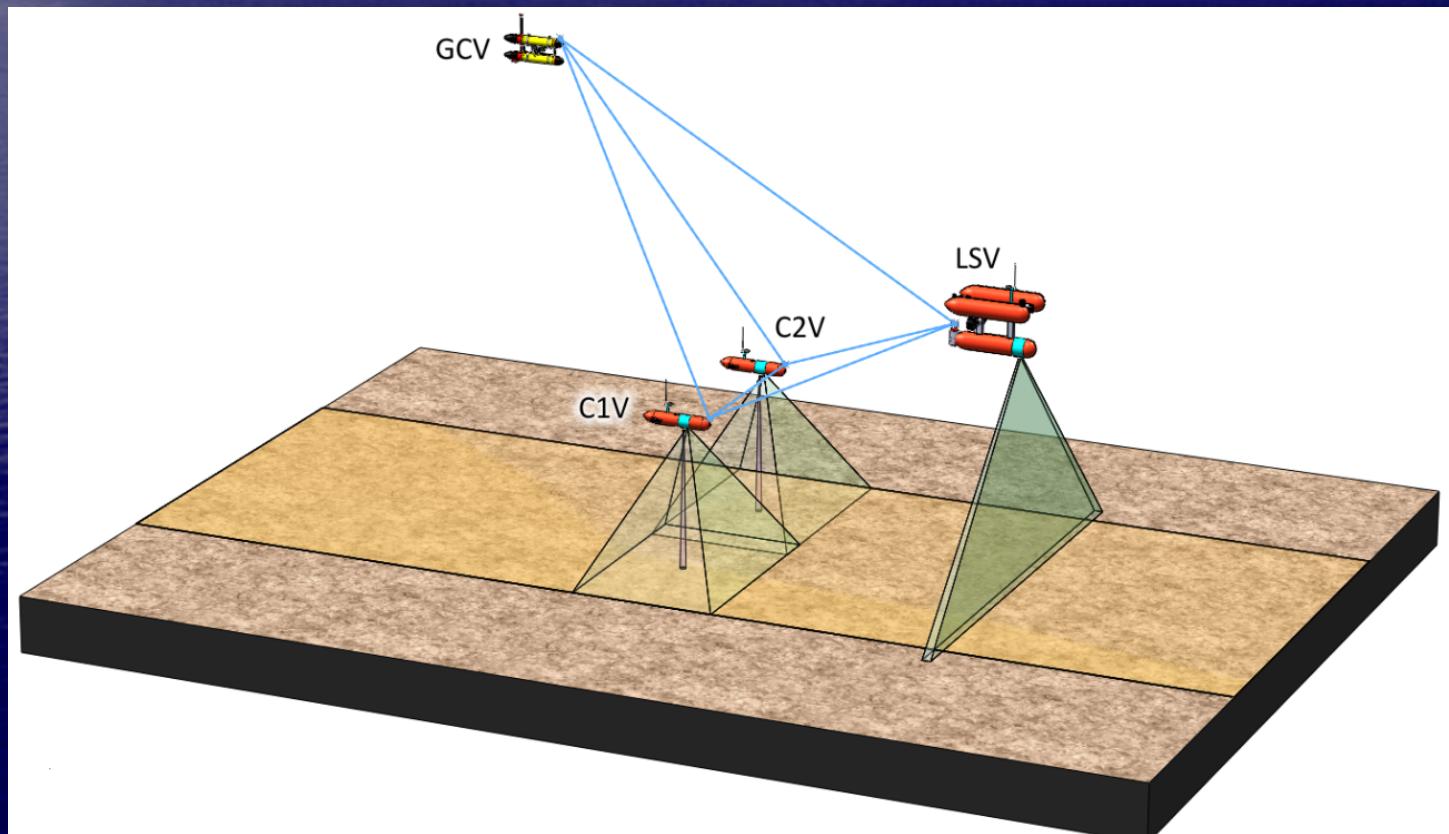
**Cooperative Cognitive Control for  
Autonomous Underwater Vehicles**

[www.Co3-AUVs.eu](http://www.Co3-AUVs.eu)



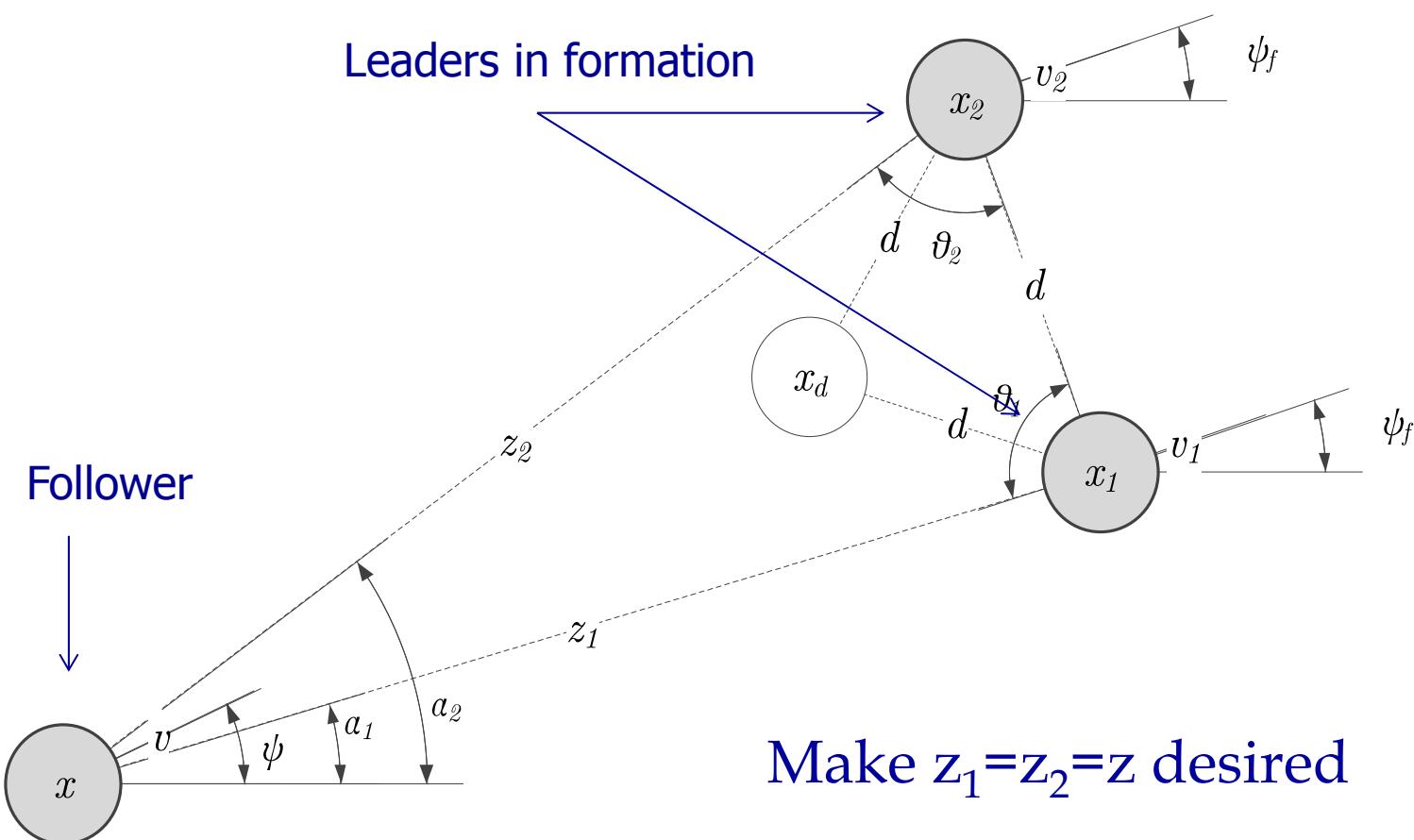
# Range-Only Formation (ROF) Control

*(first step towards meeting the functionalities of the MORPH underwater segment)*



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# Range only formation control



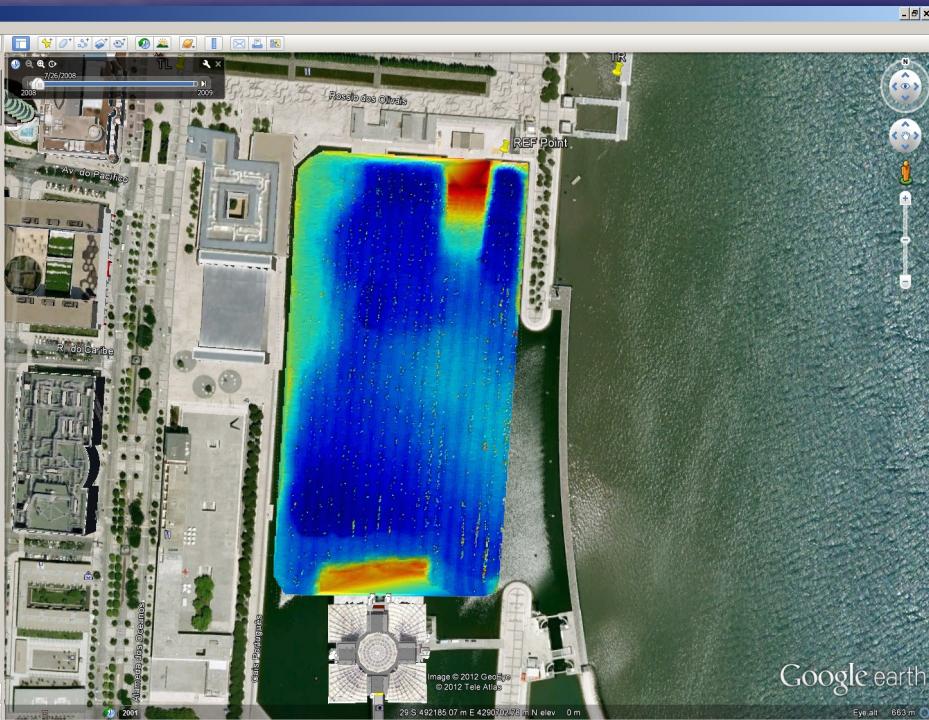
# Field Tests



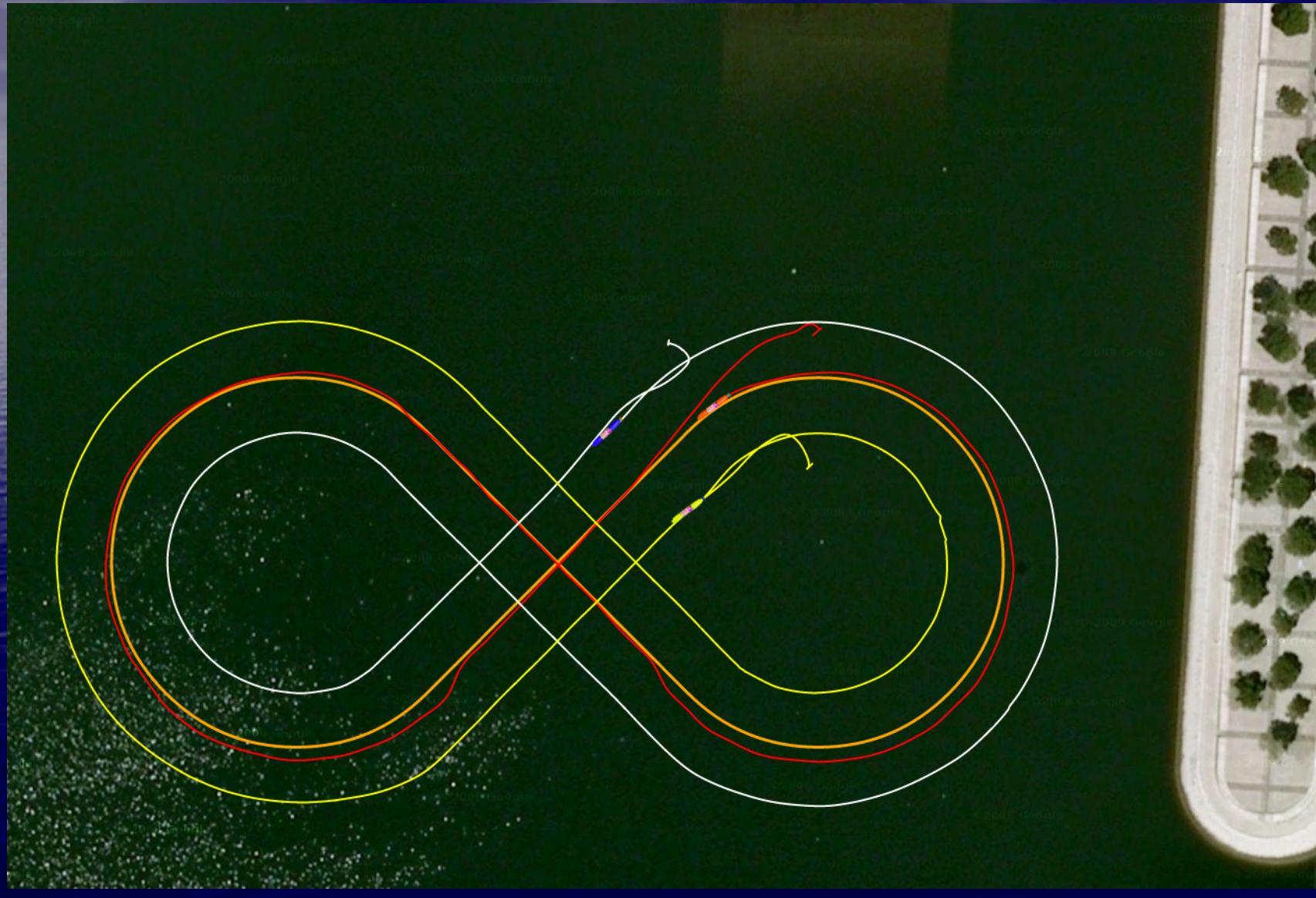
3 Medusa vehicles exchanging  
ranges and data over a Tritech modem-  
enabled acoustic network

# Test Site - Expo 98 site

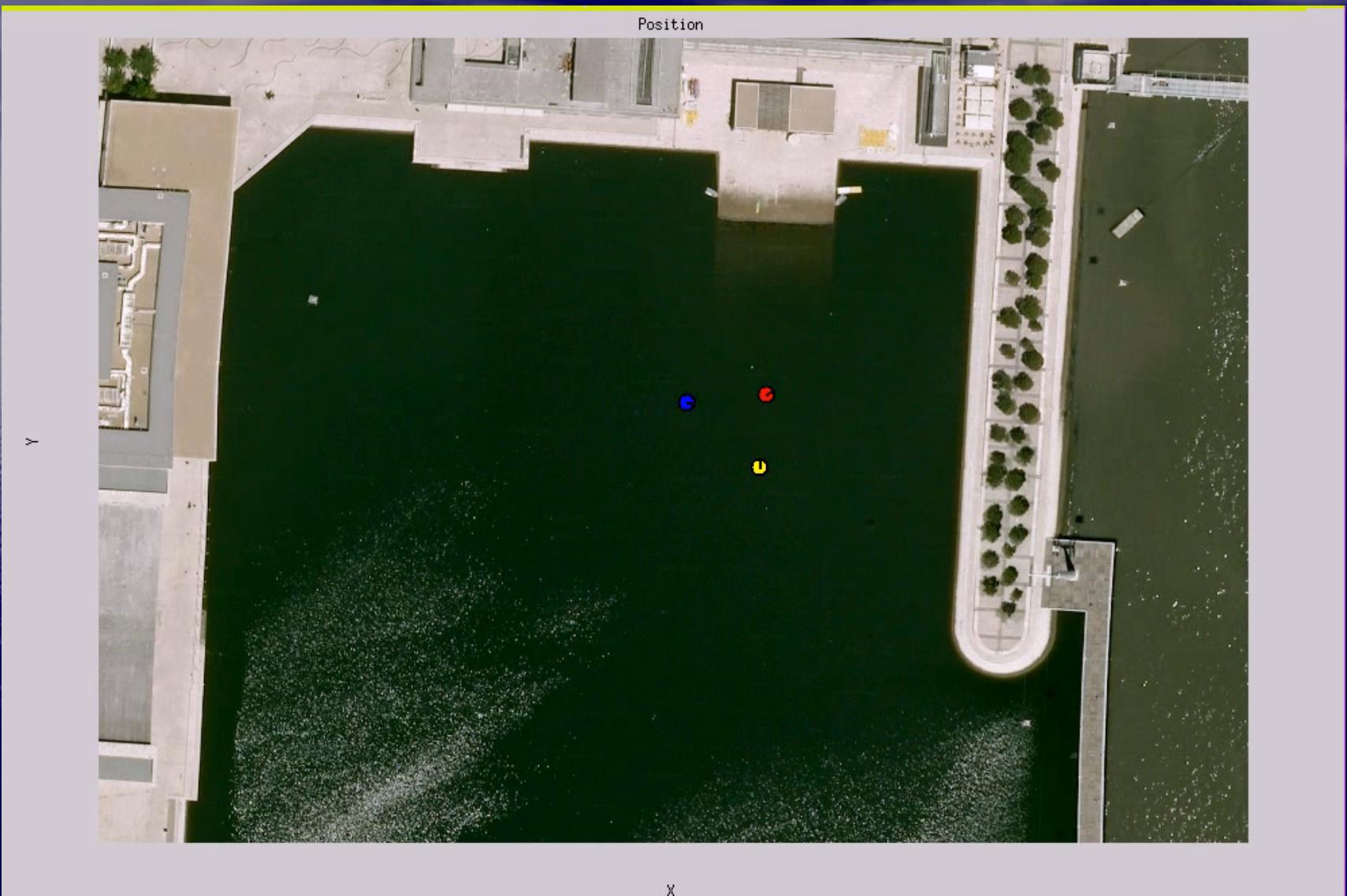
2012



# Test Results - 2012



# Test Results - 22 Nov. 2012



# Test Results

Triangular formation control  
using acoustic range measurements

Sea trials @ Parque das Nações, Lisbon, Portugal

J. M. Soares, A. P. Aguiar, A. M. Pascoal

J. Botelho, J. Ribeiro, L. Sebastião, M. Rufino, M. Bayat, P. Góis, V. Hassani



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12 June 2012

## Range Only Formation (ROF) Control using the EVOLOGICS modems

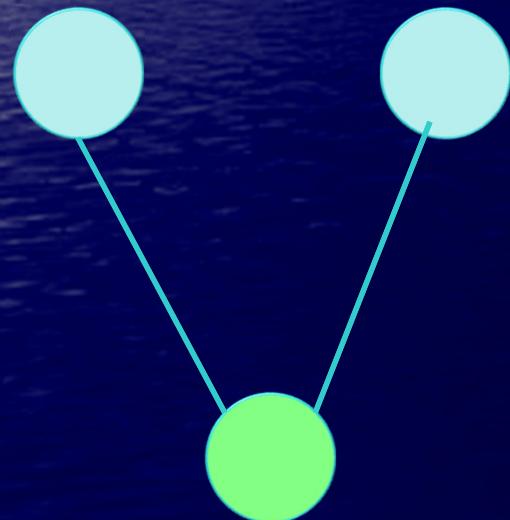


# “Lateral” versus “Longitudinal” ROF



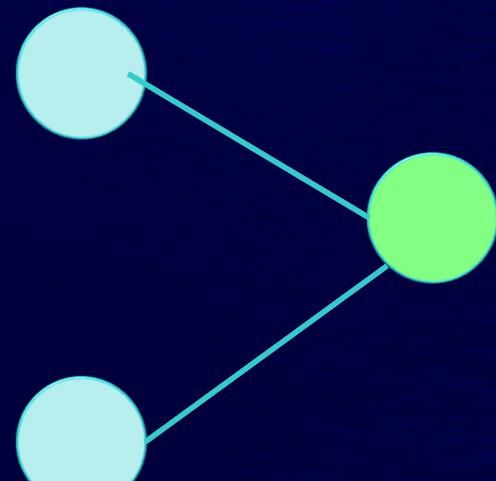
Longitudinal ROF

Leaders in formation



Follower

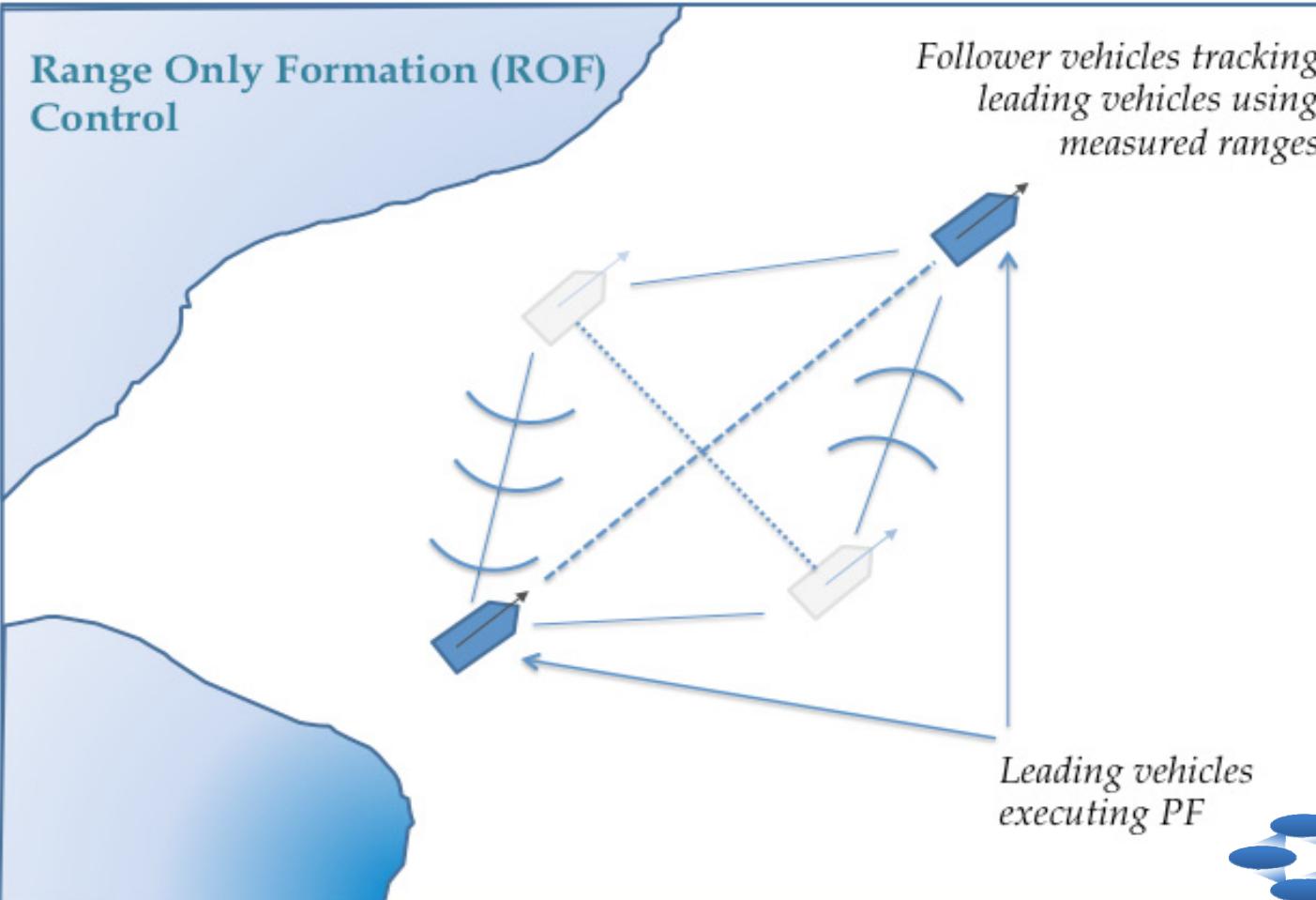
Lateral ROF



*A new algorithm*



# The Toulon Trials, July 2013: Motion Control Objectives



# Tasks executed

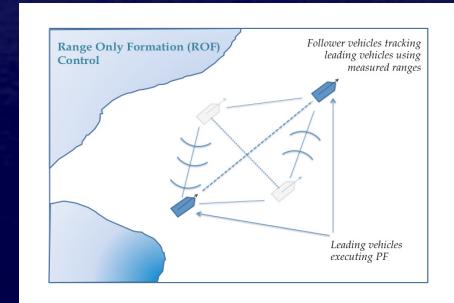


## Leading vehicles:

- CPF, with the vehicles exchanging information over an aerial link.

## Follower vehicles:

- Run depth control.
- Measure ranges to the leading vehicles; receive their heading angles via the acoustic communication network; adjust their speeds and headings to reach a desired formation pattern

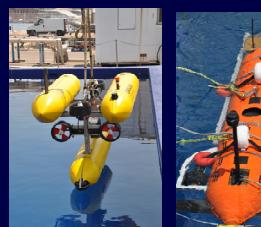


# Vehicle Resources

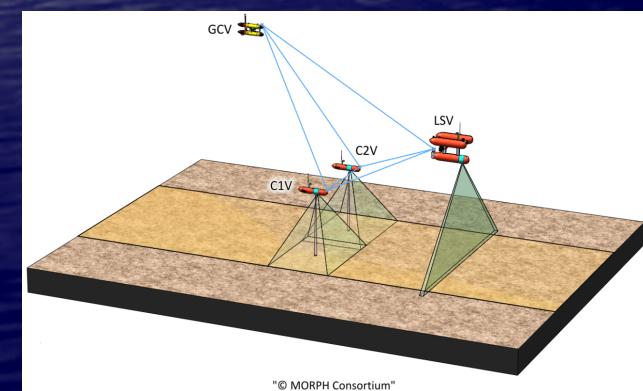


## Resources available at each vehicle

- Depth controller
- Heading controller
- Speed controller
- Acoustic ranging to surface vehicles (FVs)
- Acoustic comms to receive headings from leader vehicles (FVs)

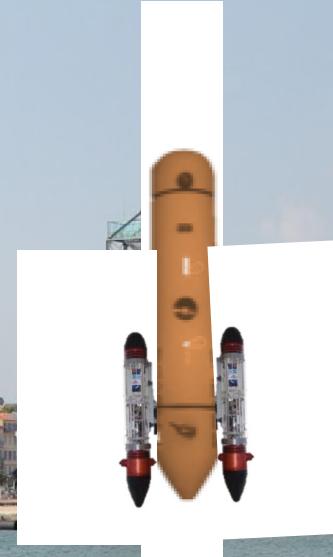
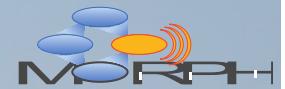


# MORPH PROJECT - ROF with 2 ASVs and 2 AUVs

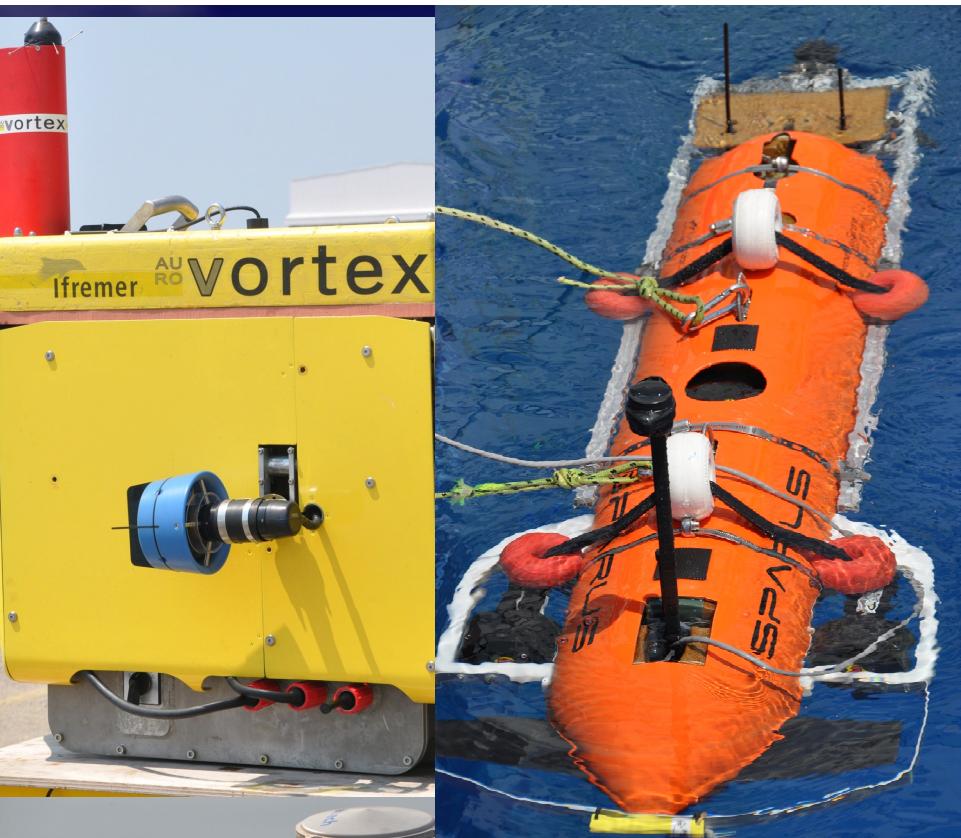


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July 2013

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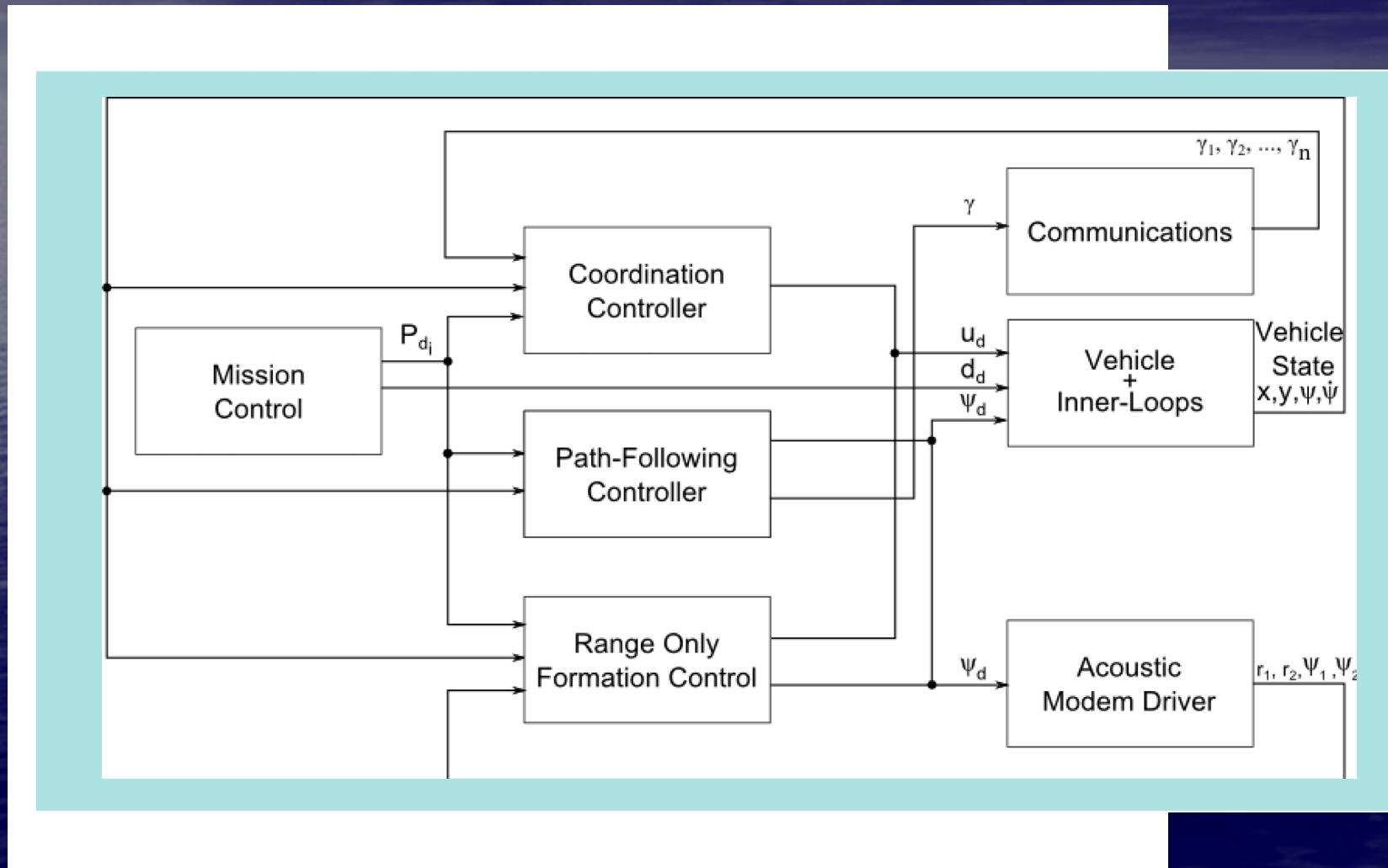
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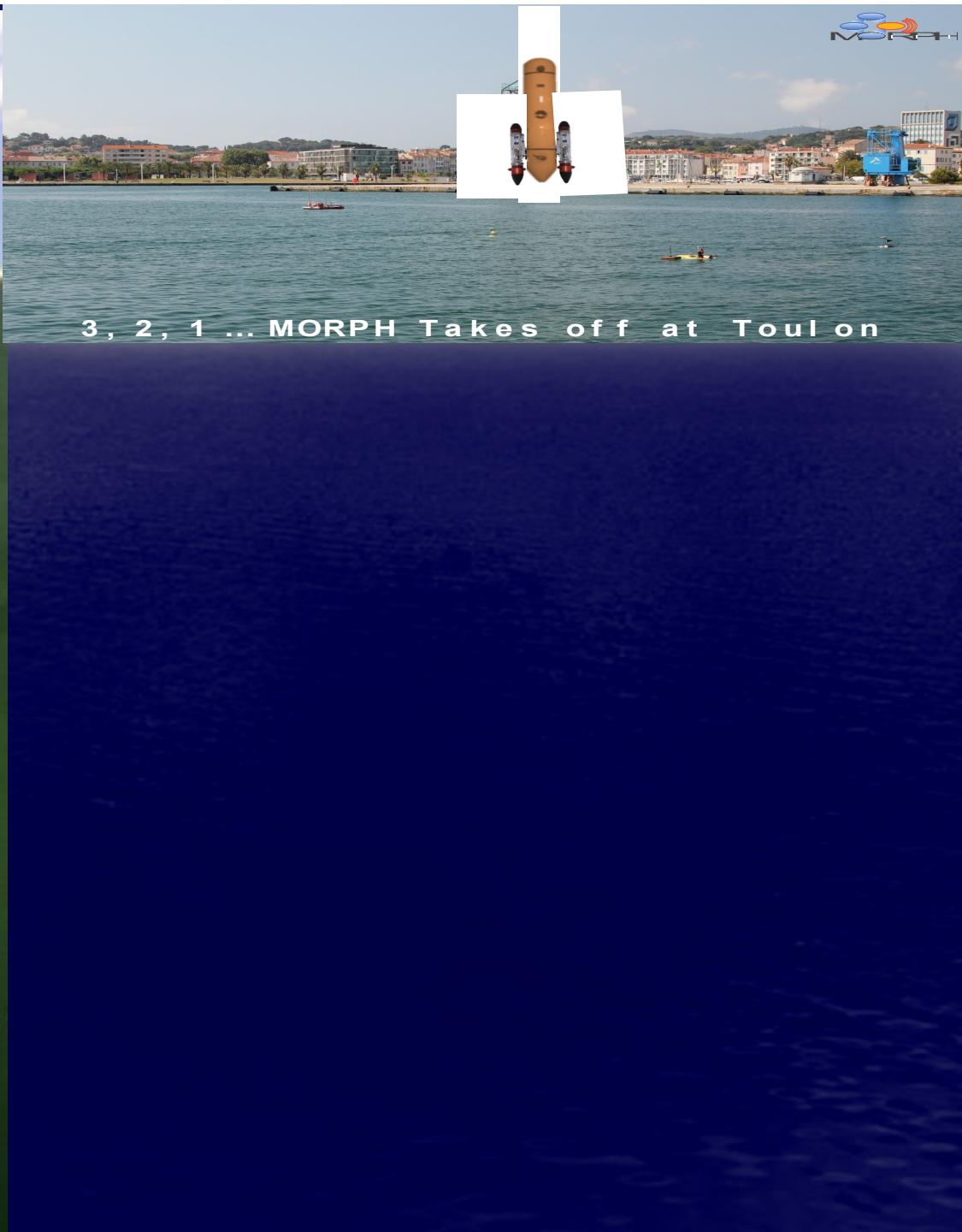
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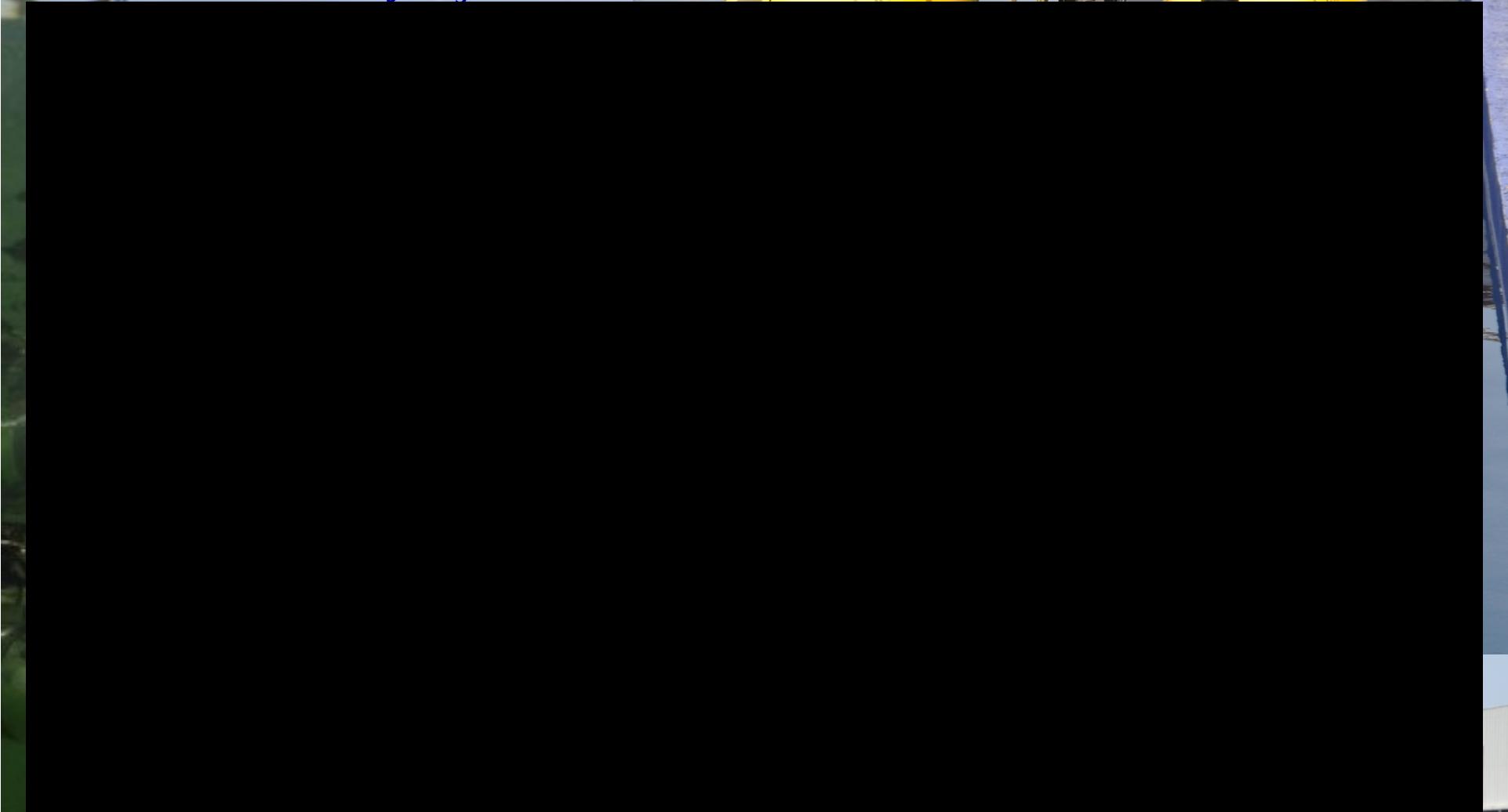


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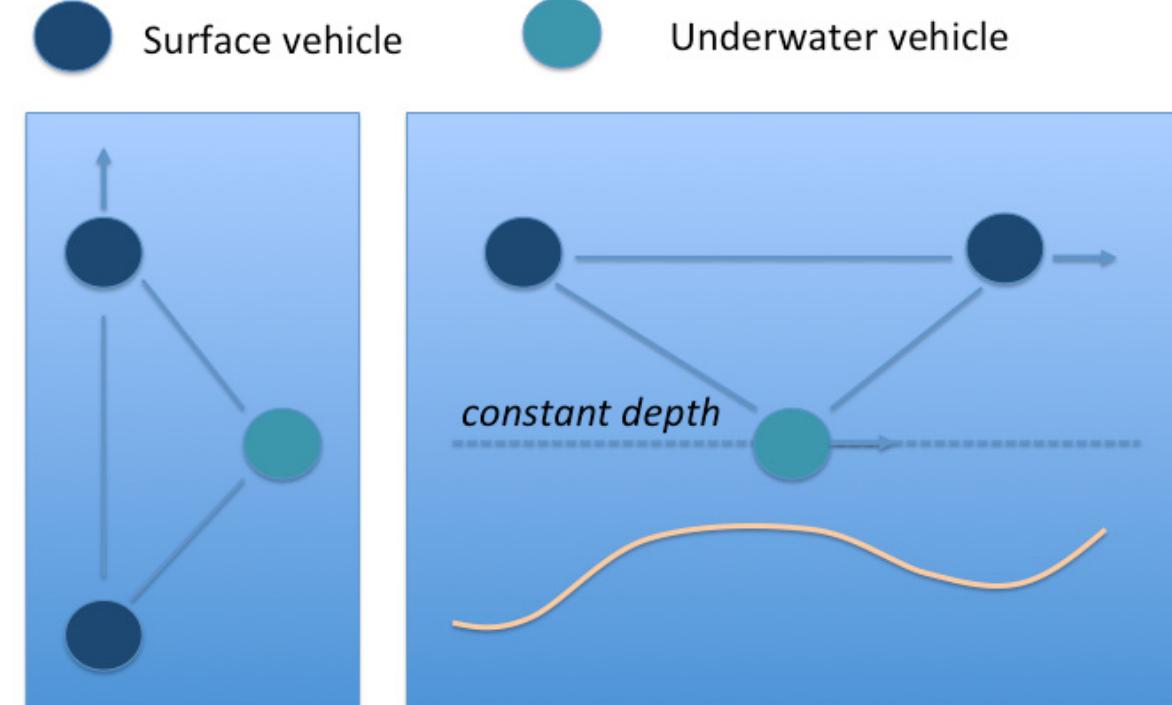


MORPH

Toulon, France  
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# Towards Terrain Compliant Variable-Geometry ROF Control



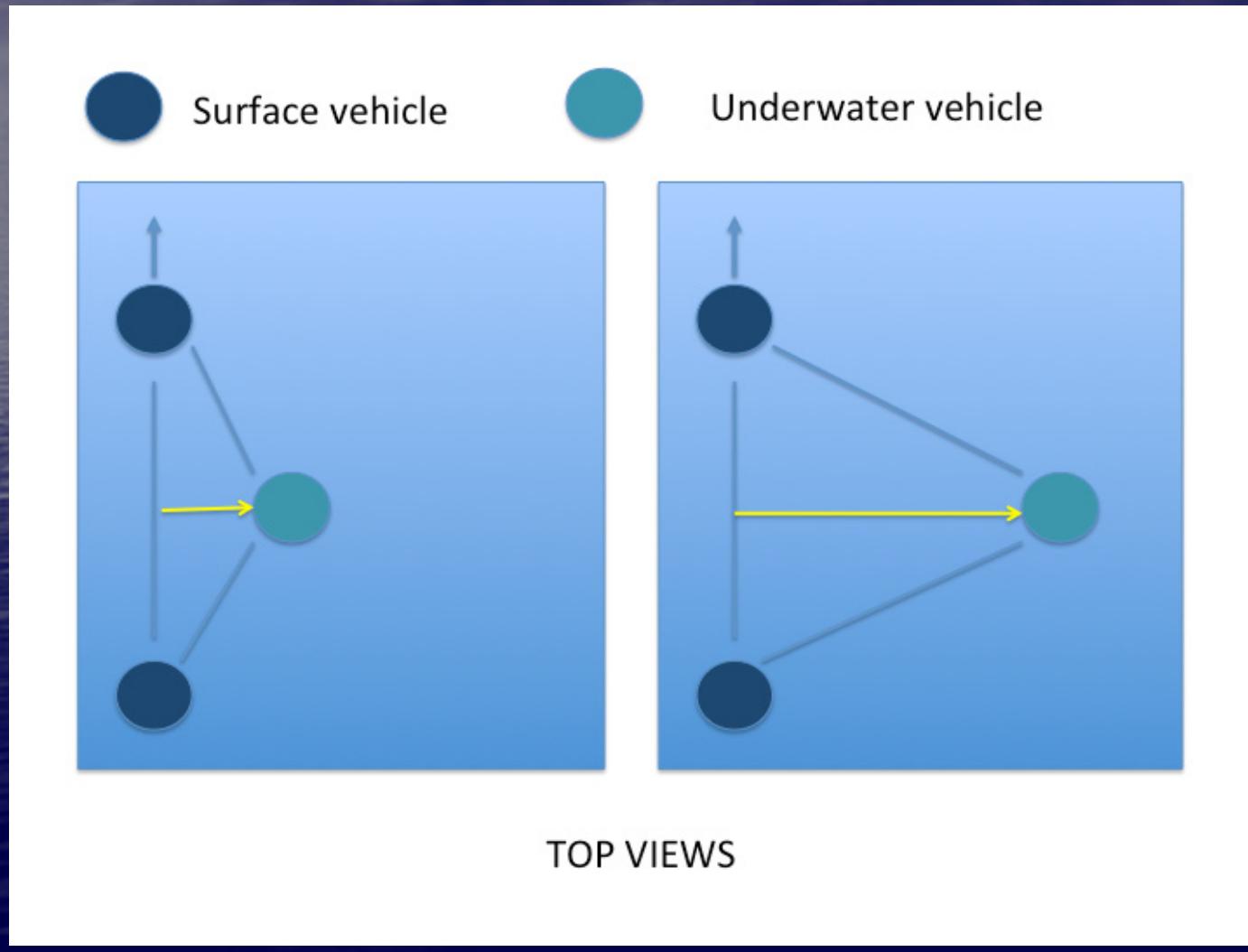
TOP VIEW

SIDE VIEW

ROF  
only

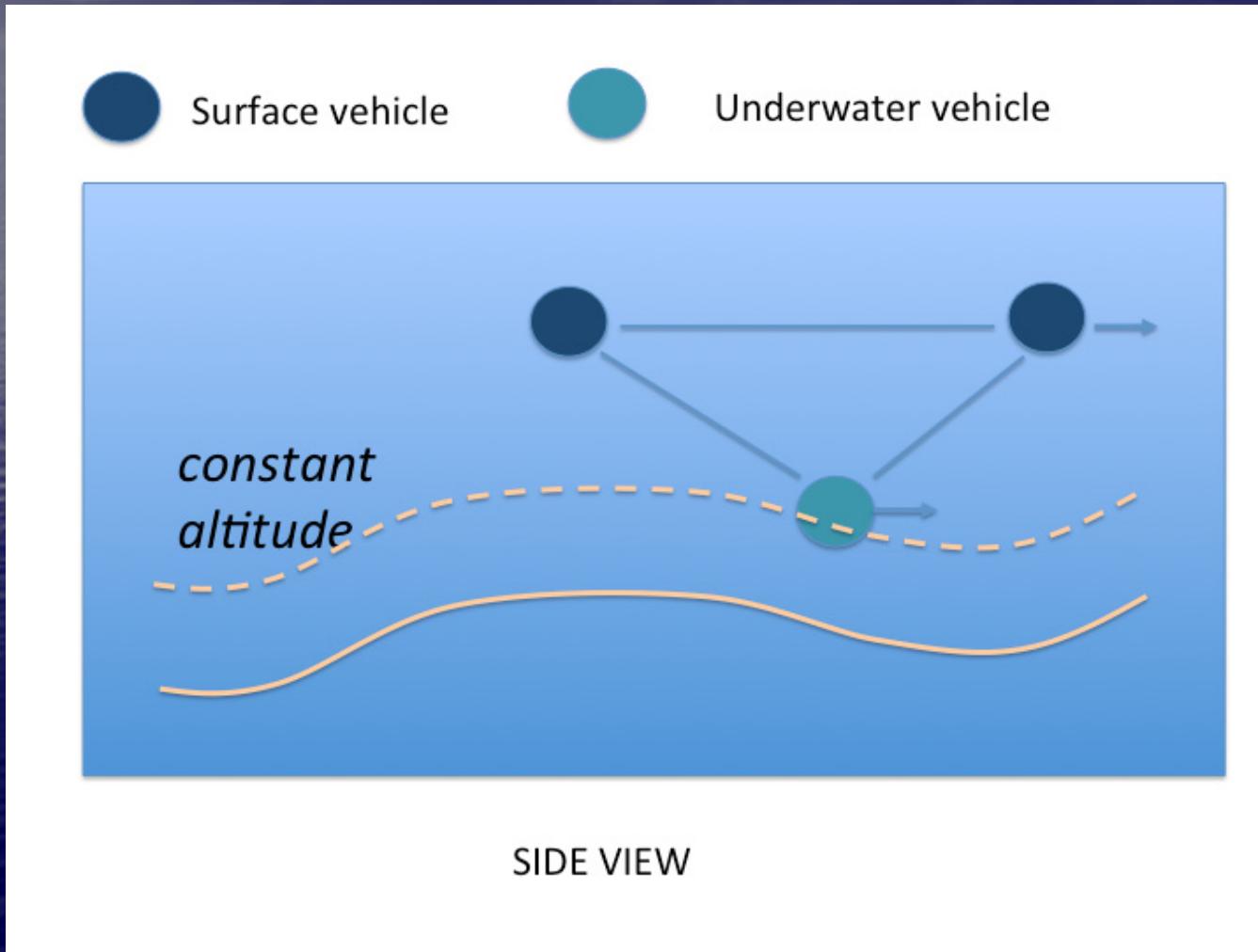
Demo in March 2014, Lisbon

# Towards Terrain Compliant Variable-Geometry ROF Control



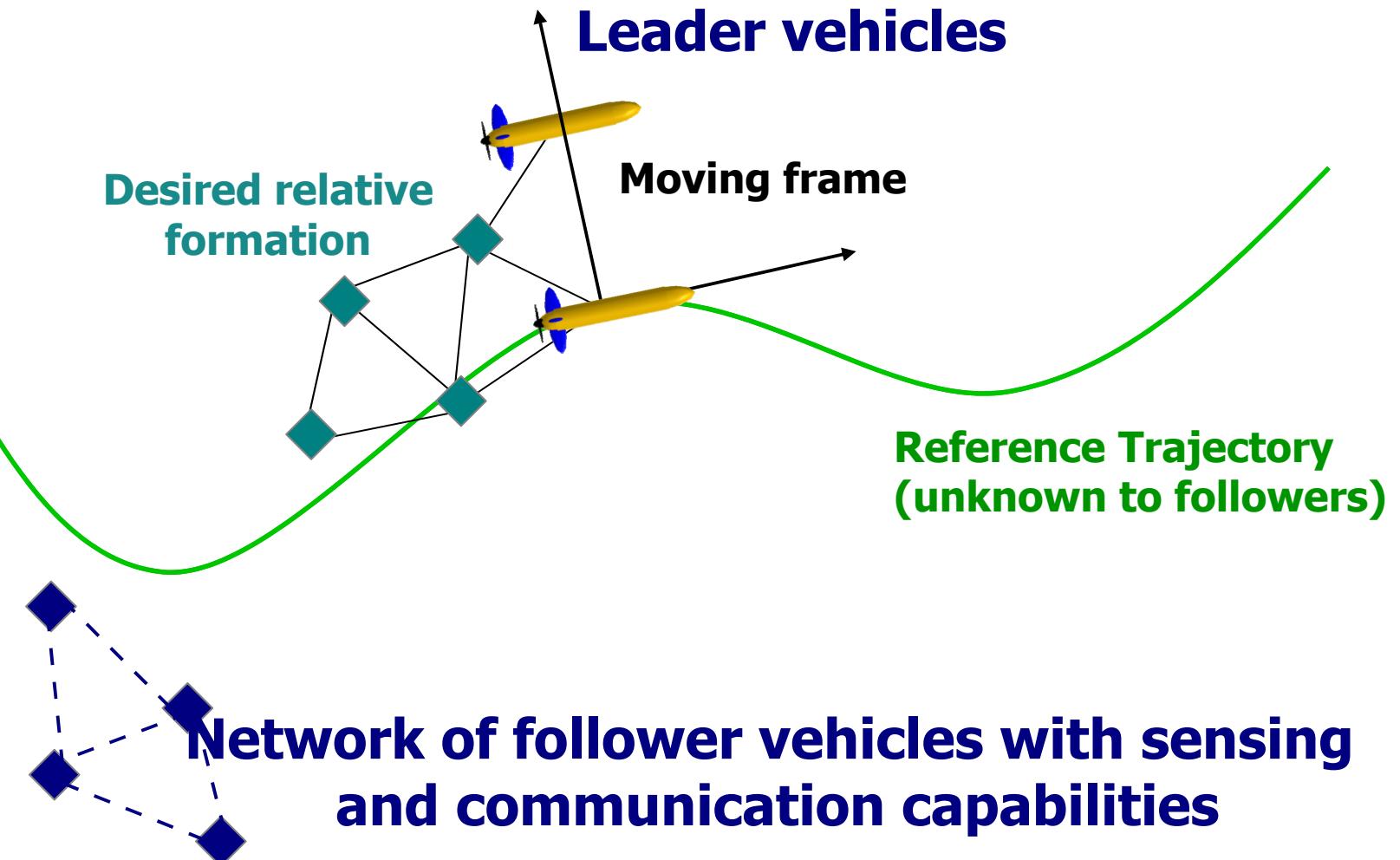
Variable  
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ROF

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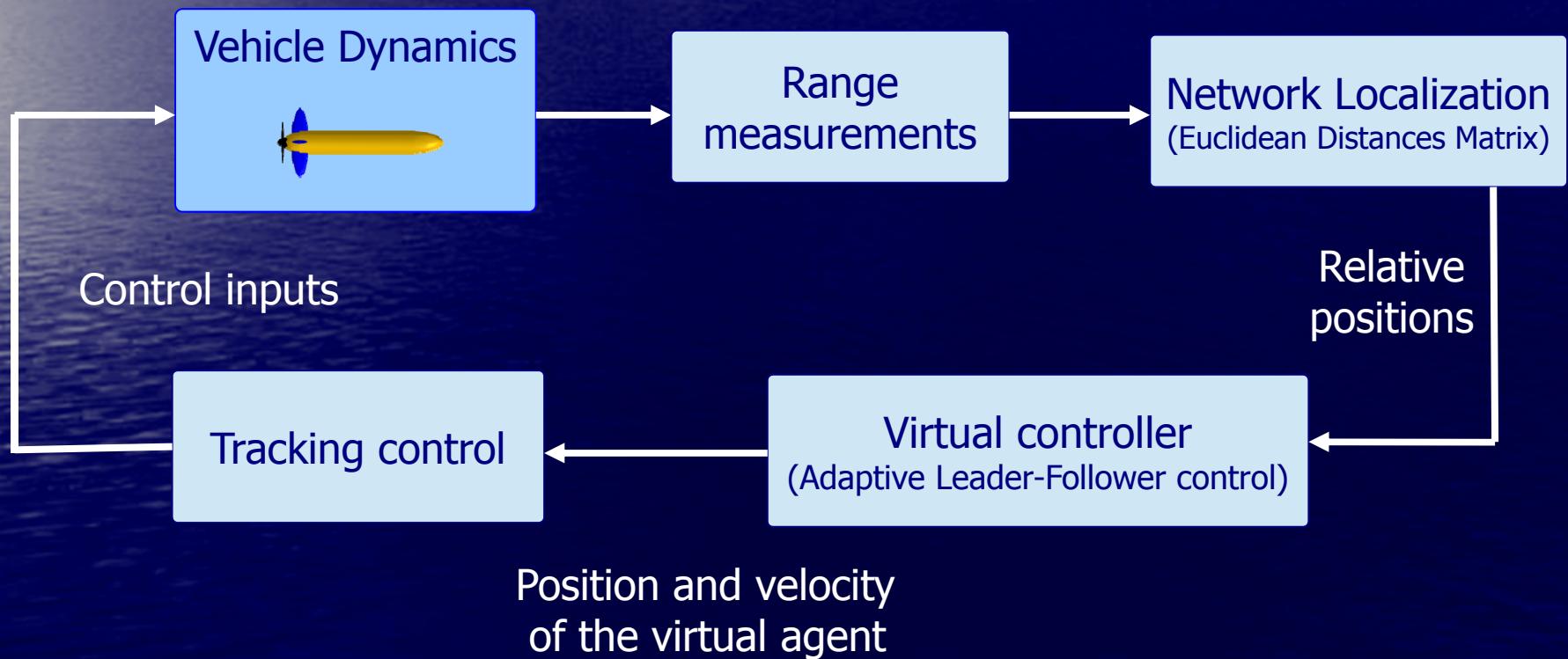


Compliant  
Control

# Range-Only Formation : the BIG picture

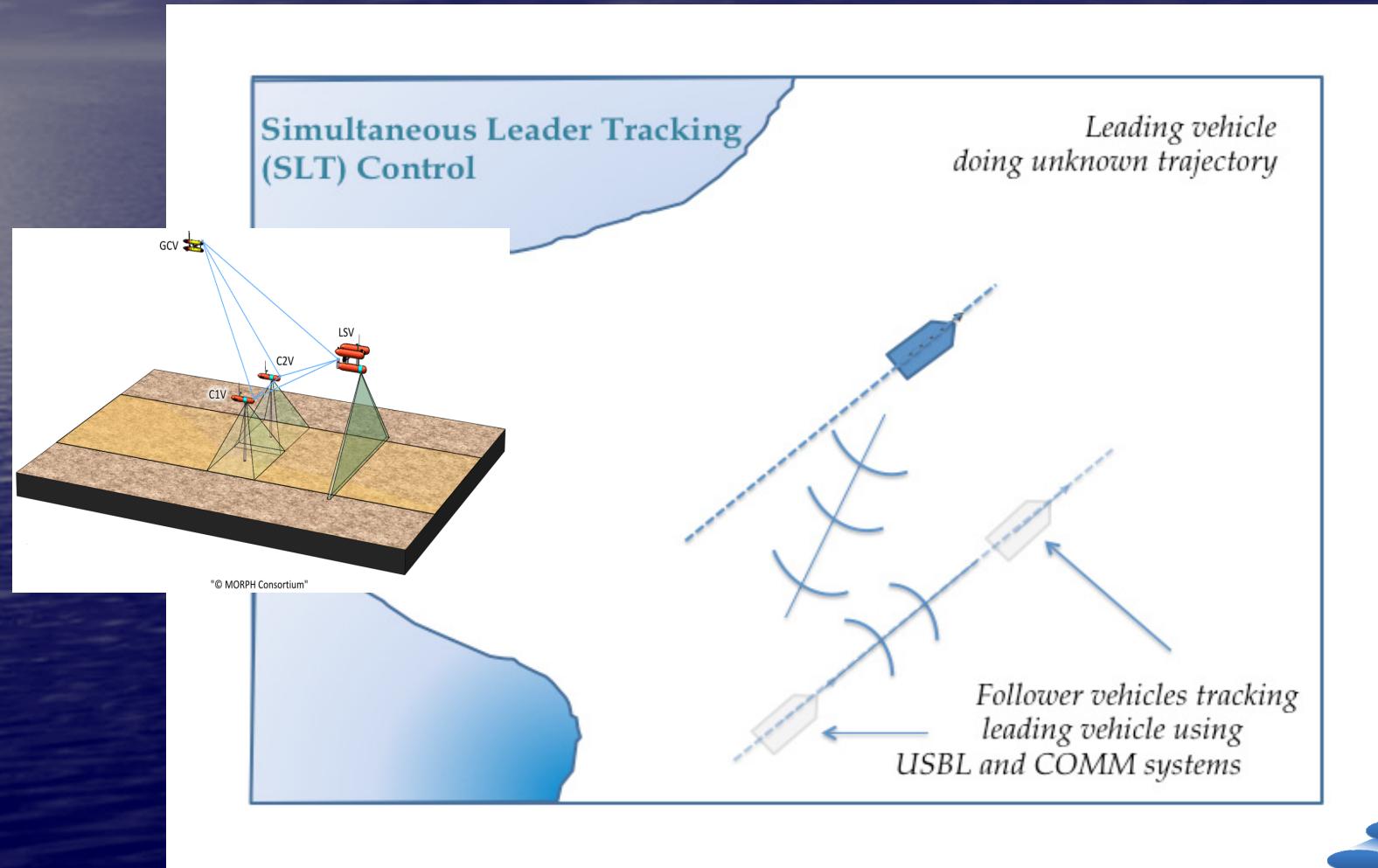


# Control Strategy



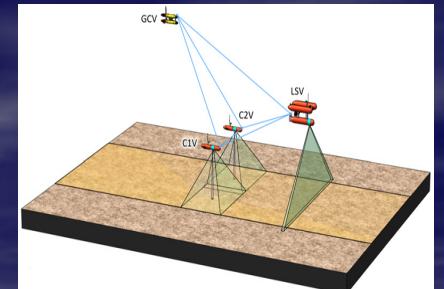
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## Upper Morph Segment



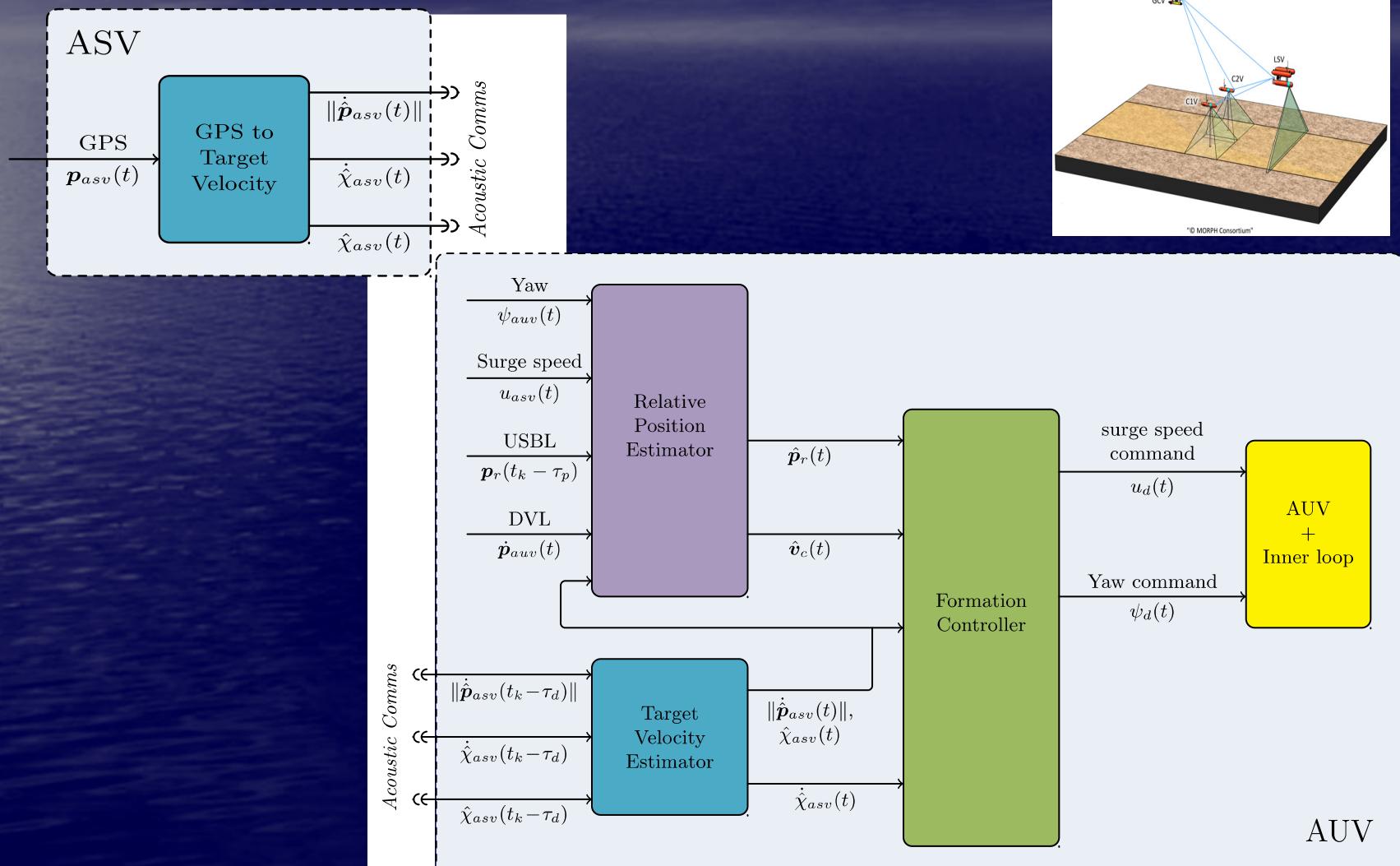
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## USBL / Modems - EVOLOGICS



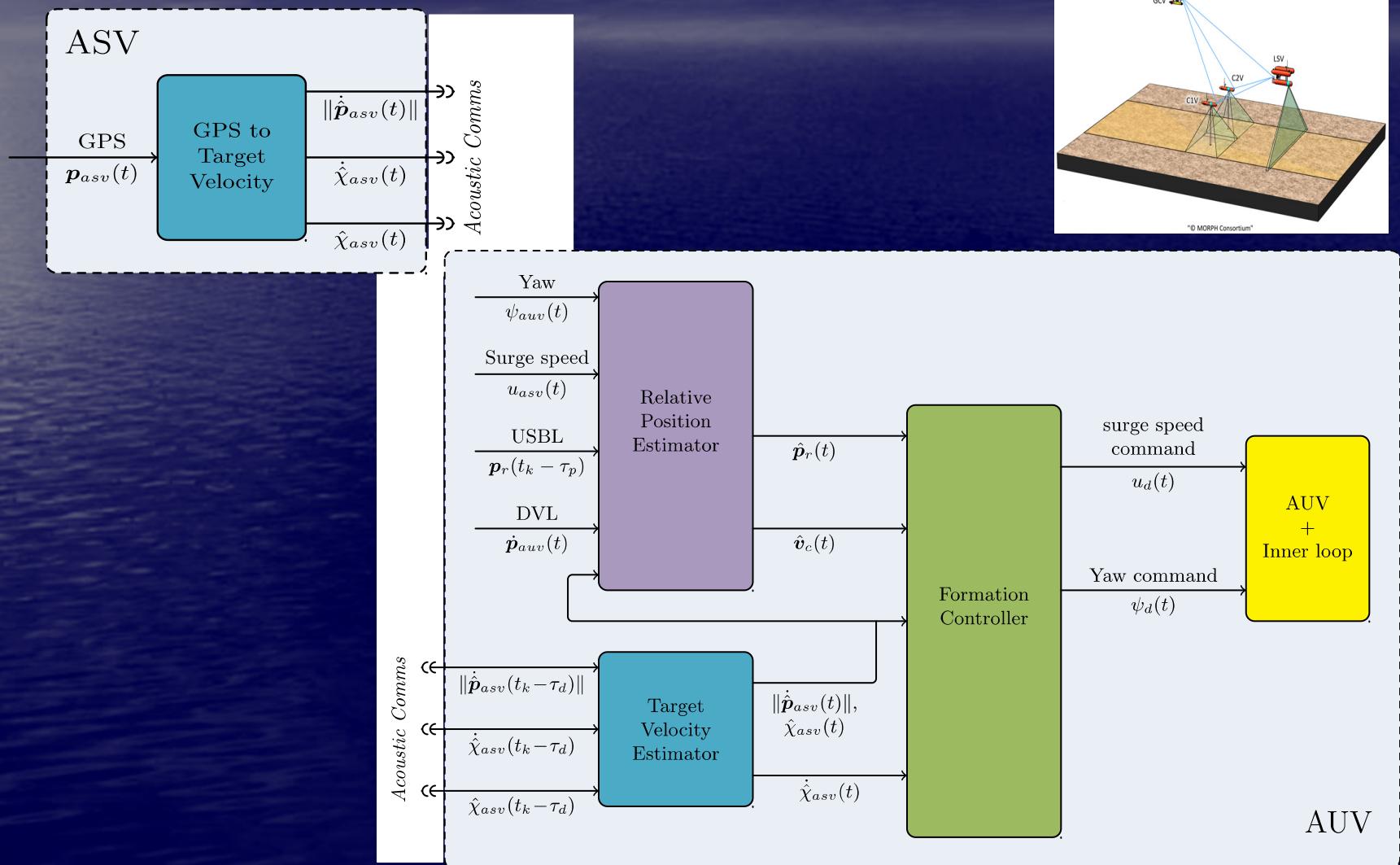
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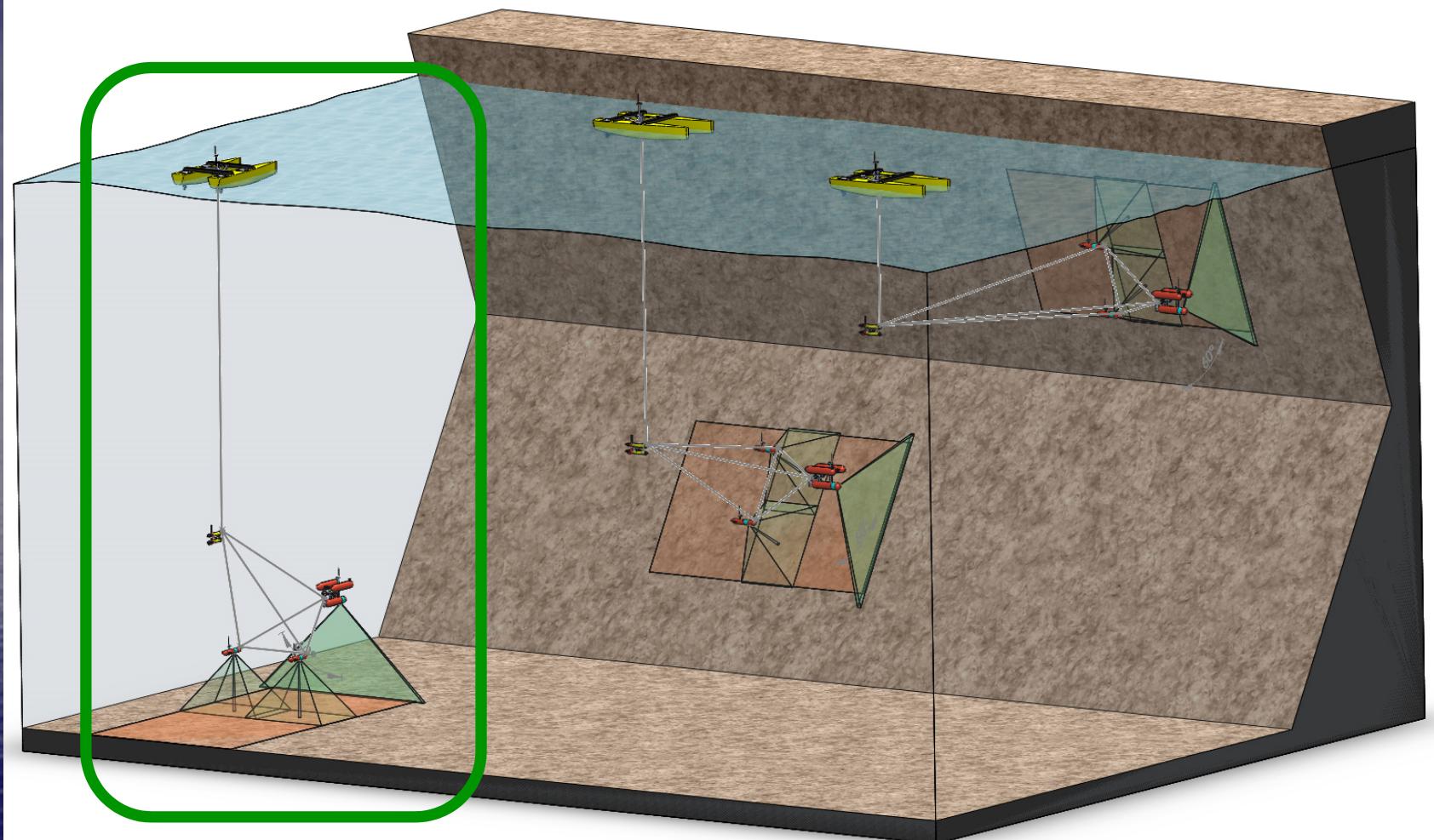
## Upper Morph Segment



# The Lisbon Trials (June 2014)

## Upper Morph Segment





## The FULL MORPH SEGMENT



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Technische Universität  
ILMENAU



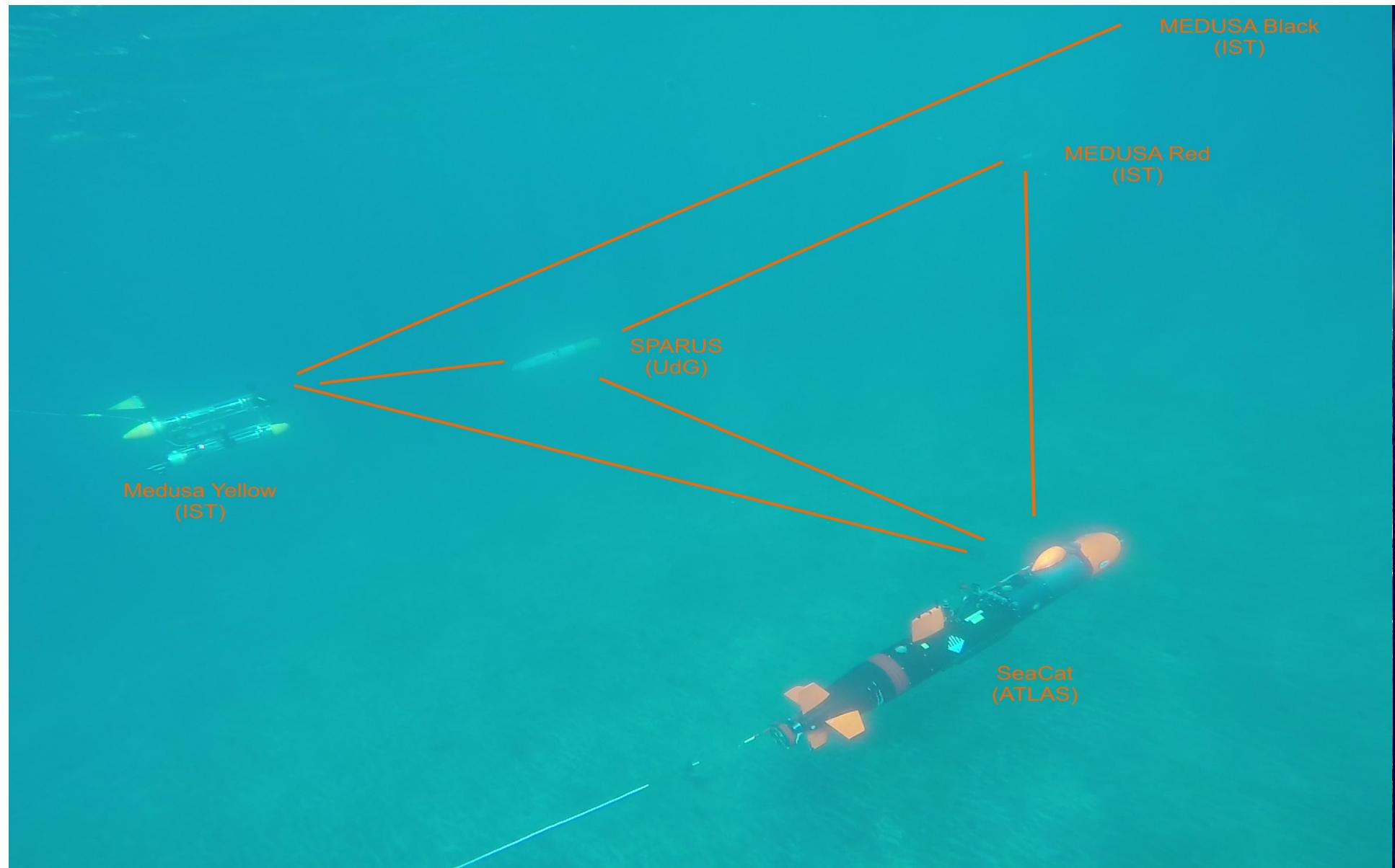
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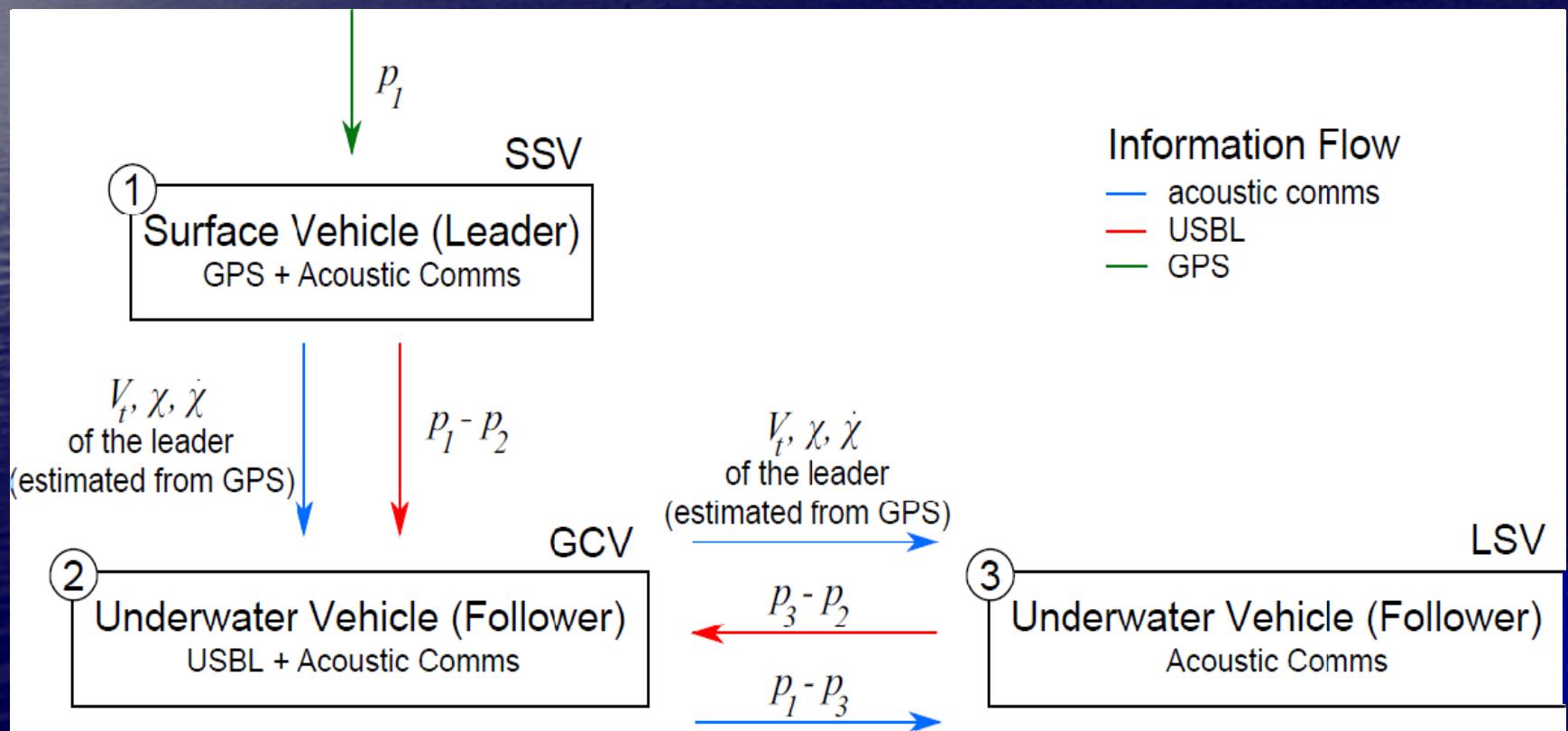


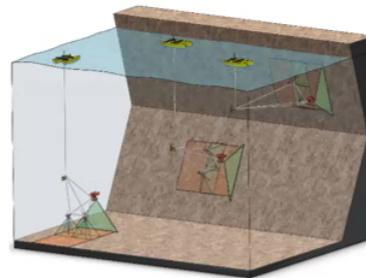
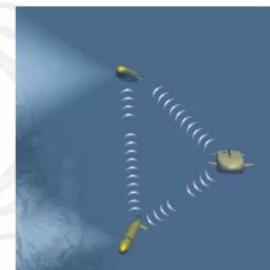
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# Information Flow

- Two followers, only one USBL, no communication link between SSV and LSV
- Use GCV to relay information to LSV





## Marine robotics system of self-organizing logically linked physical nodes

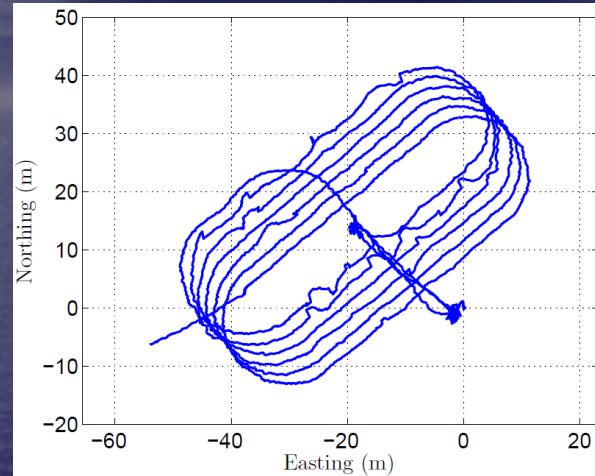
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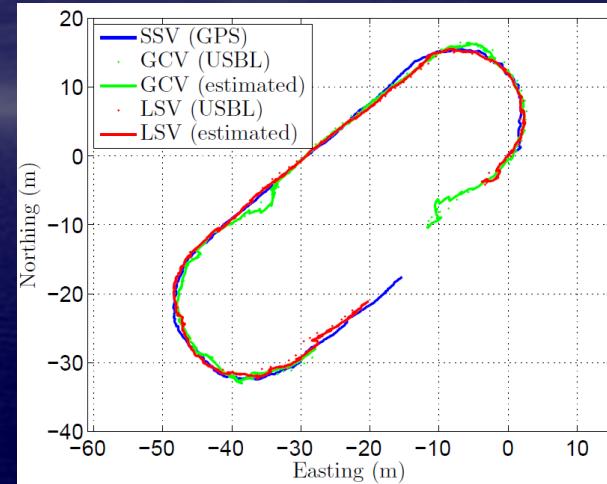
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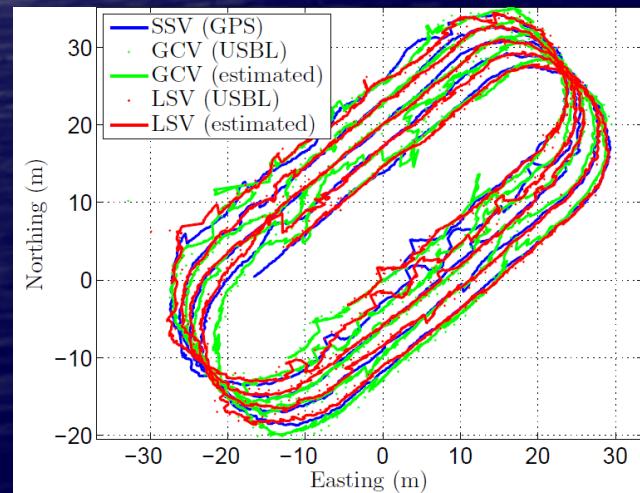
# Results: Azores (1)



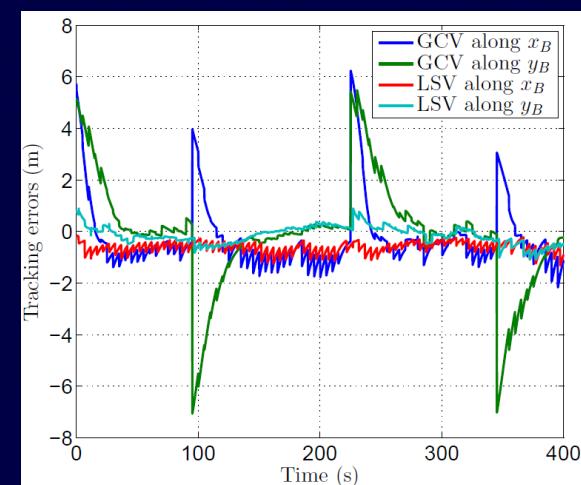
SSV Trajectory: Full mission



Upper segment trajectories: one loop

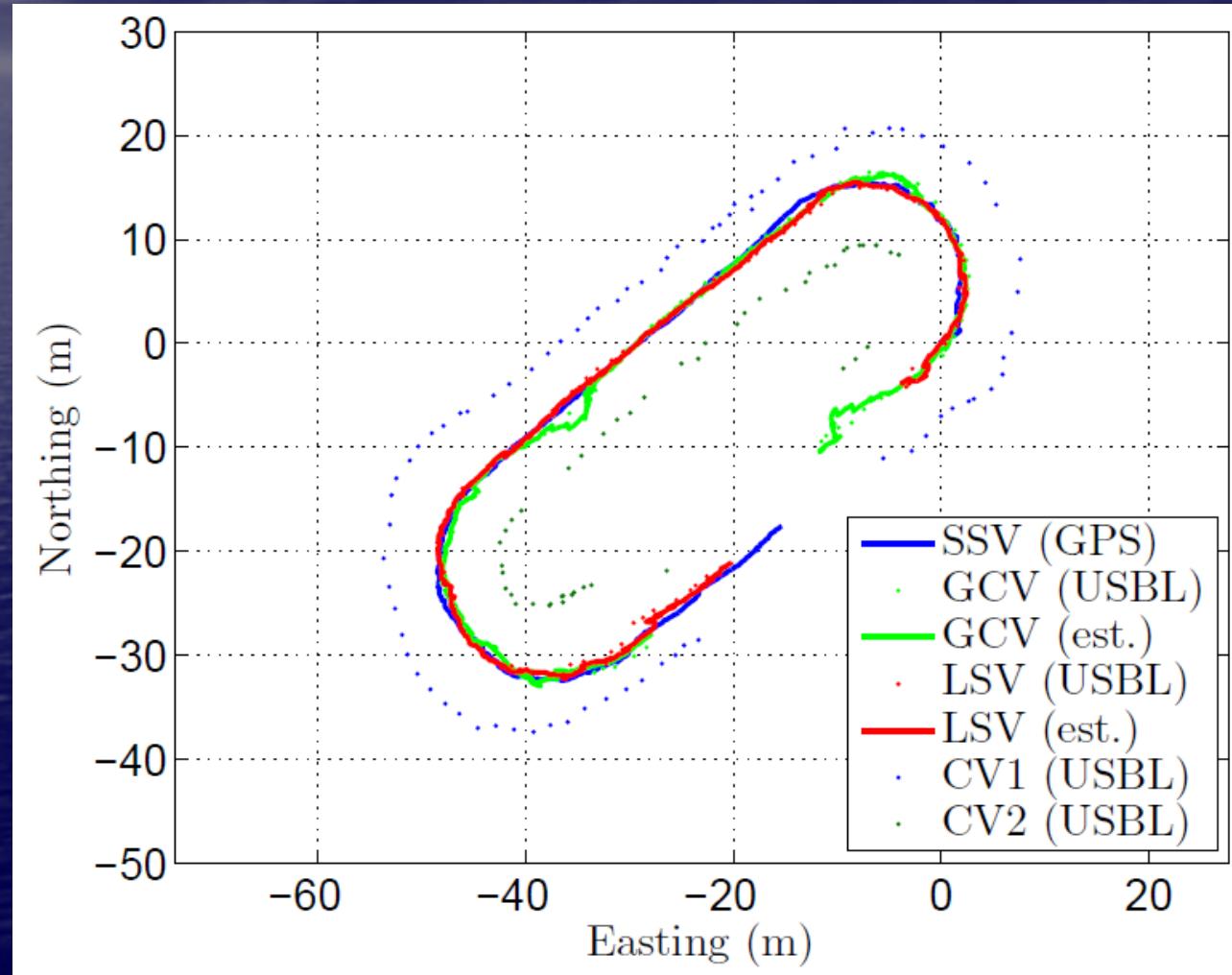


Upper segment trajectories: Full mission



Upper segment errors: one loop

# Results: Azores (2)

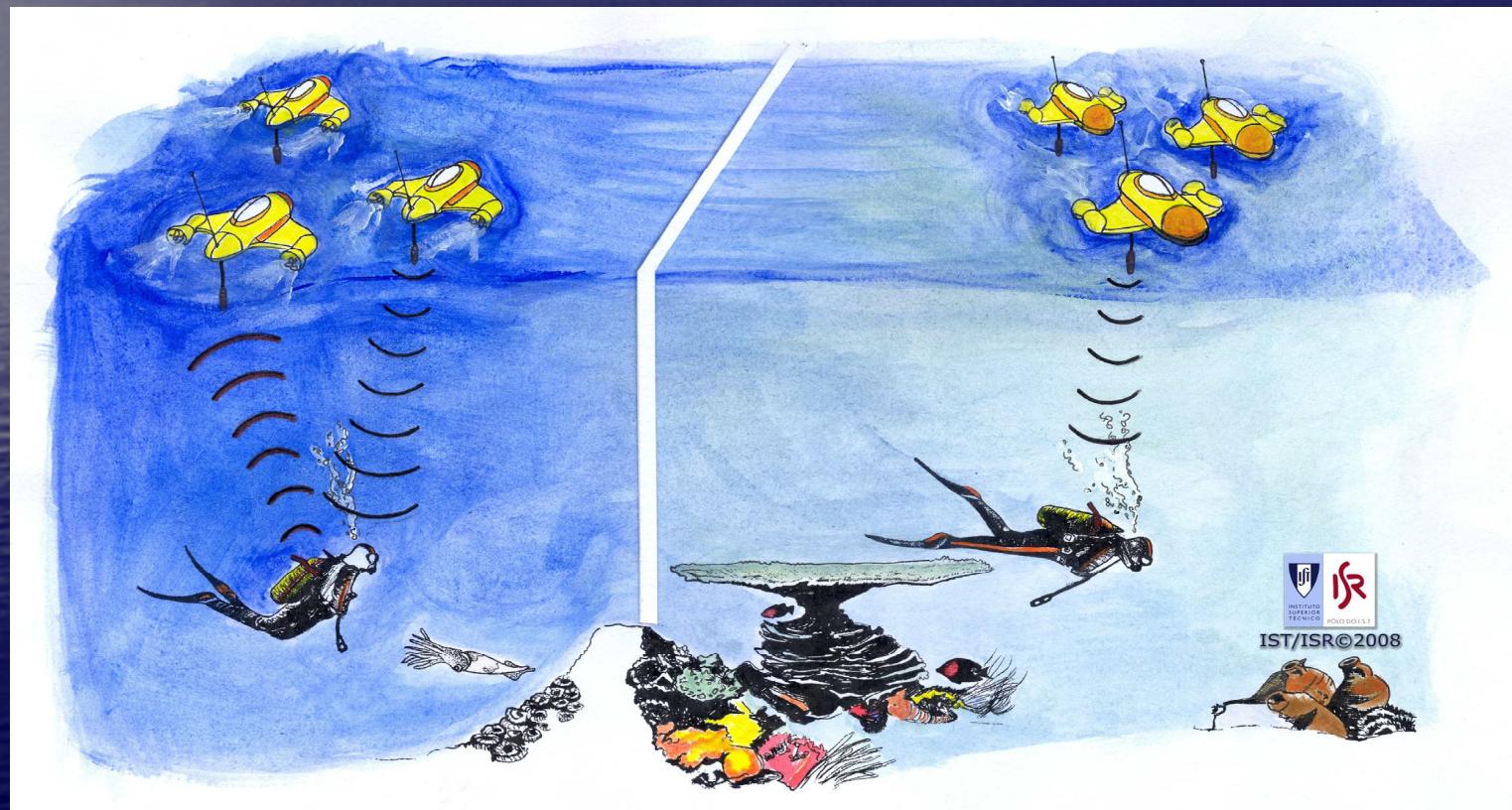


Upper and lower segment trajectories: one loop

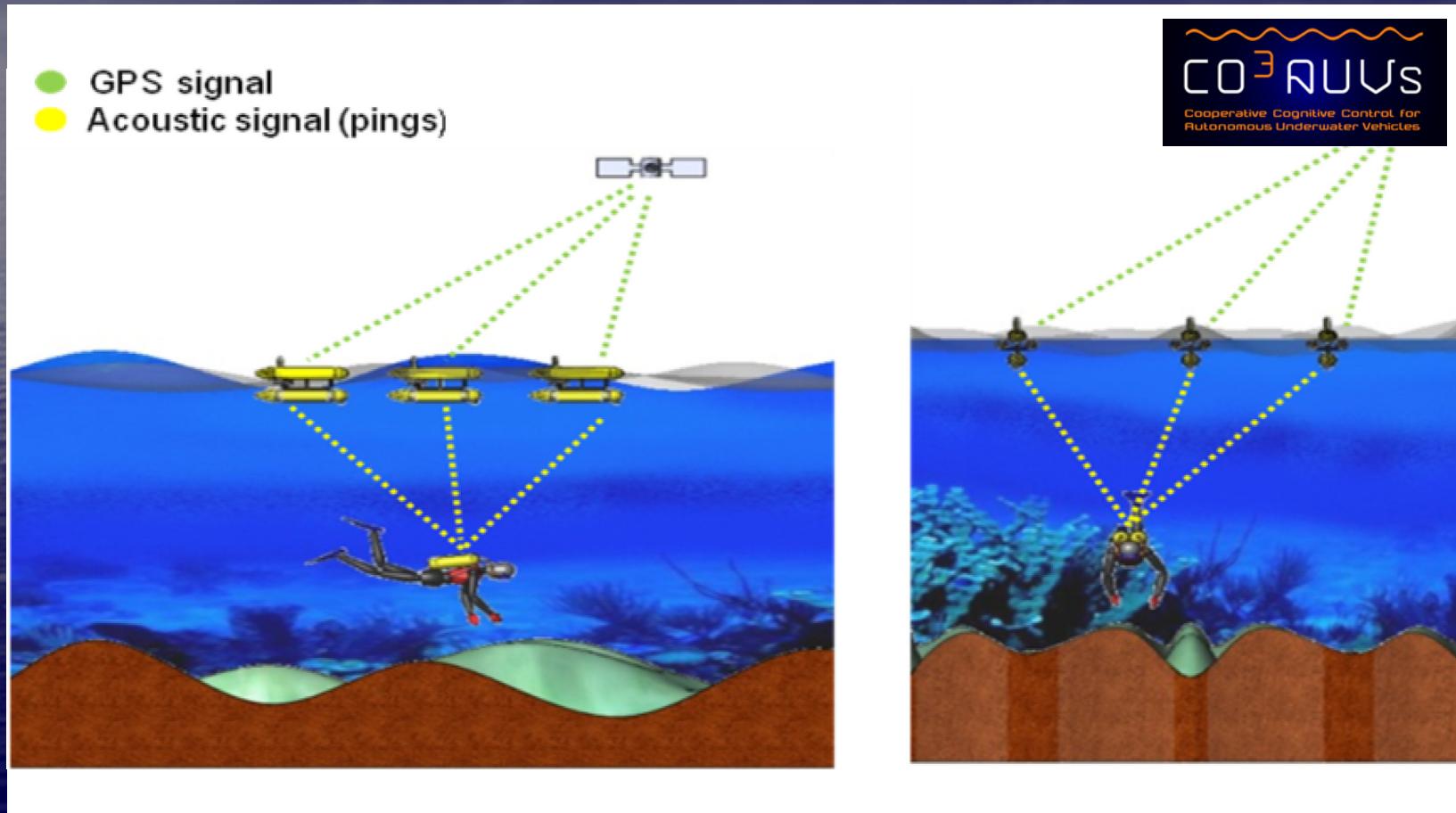
# “Leaning against the wall”



# Robots and Humans in the Loop

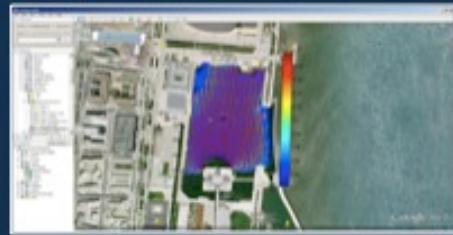


# Visions of the Future (robots and humans in the loop)



## Mission Control Segment

Mission programming  
and visualization



Wi-Fi  
Network

## Autonomous Marine Vehicles Segment

Cooperative control and  
diver tracking  
(GPS and acoustic ranges)



Acoustic  
Network

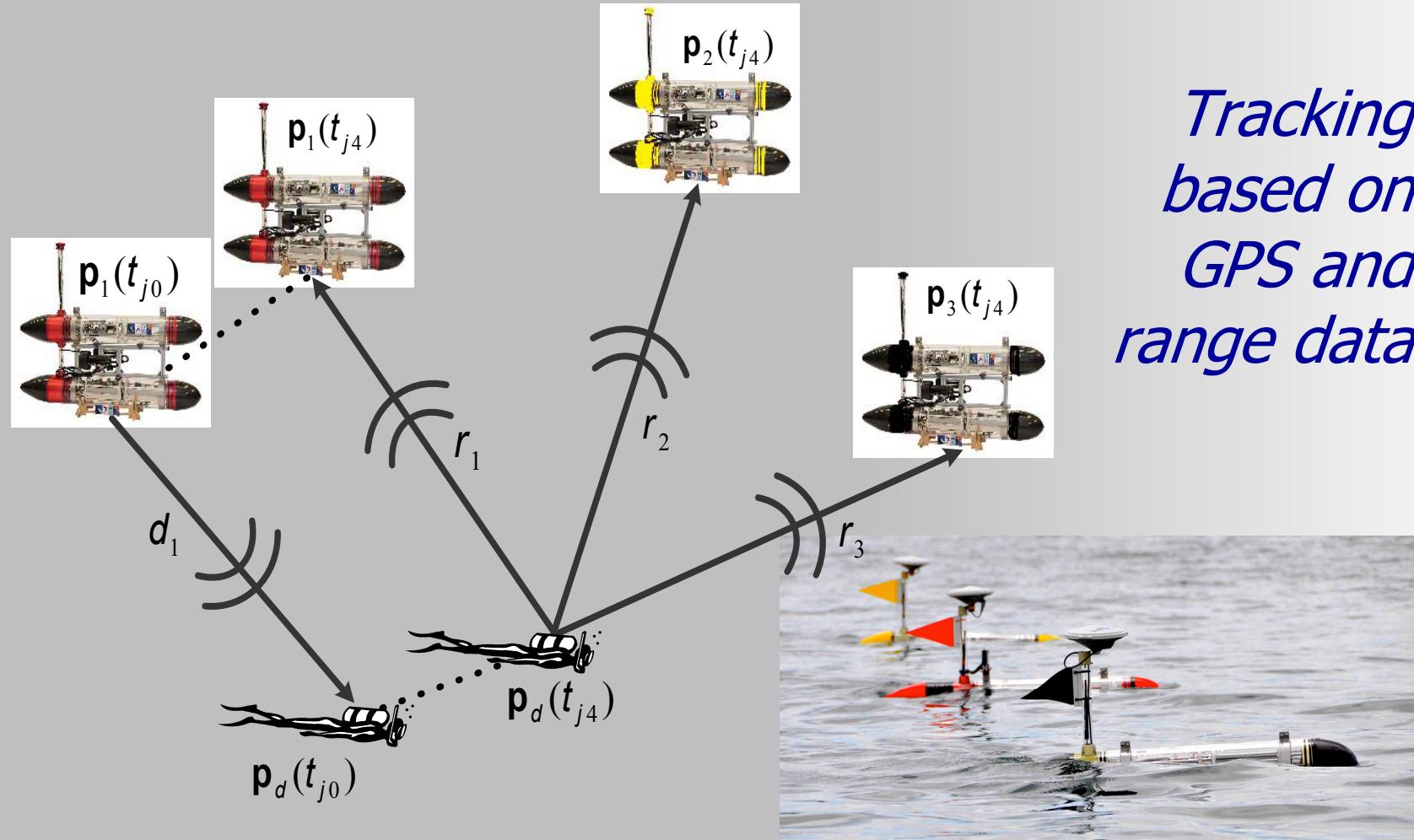
## Diver Segment

Diver guidance

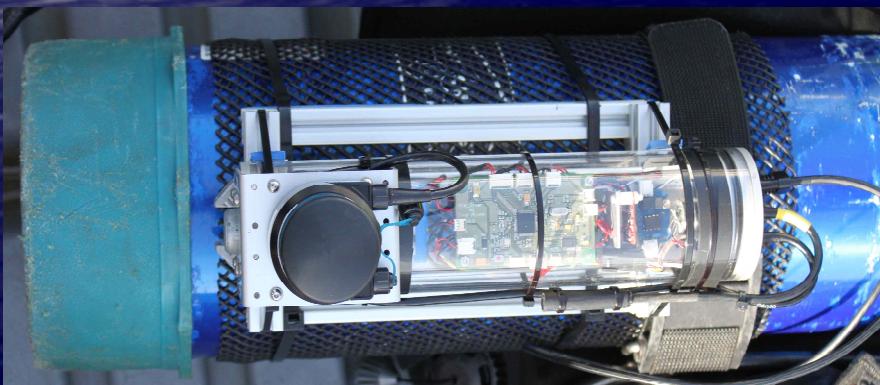
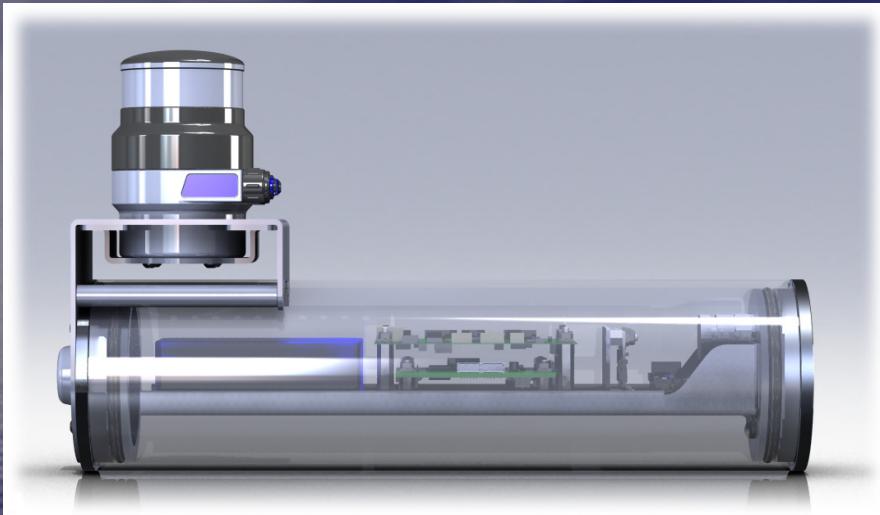


Diver Assistance  
Unit (DAU)

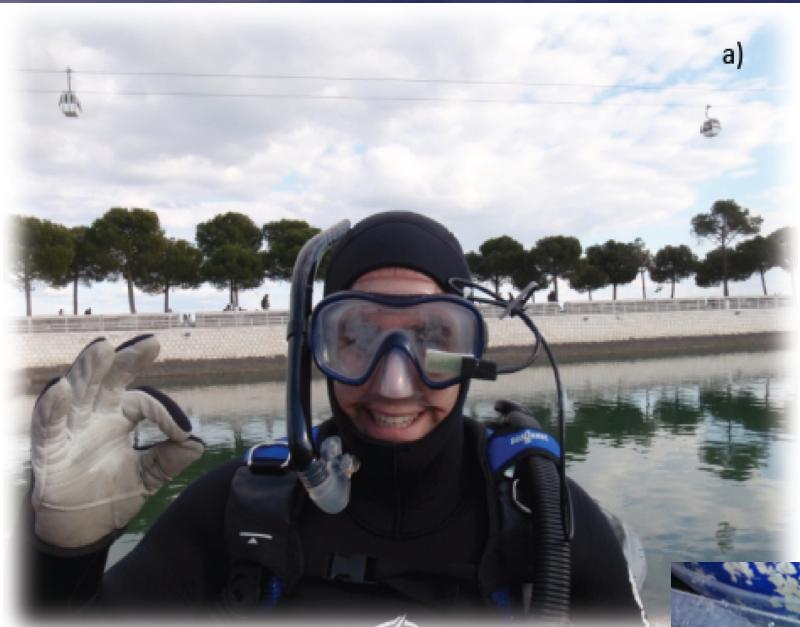
# Key components: Diver Tracking System



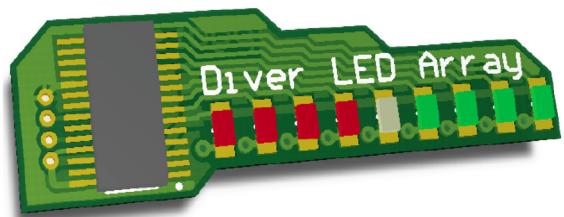
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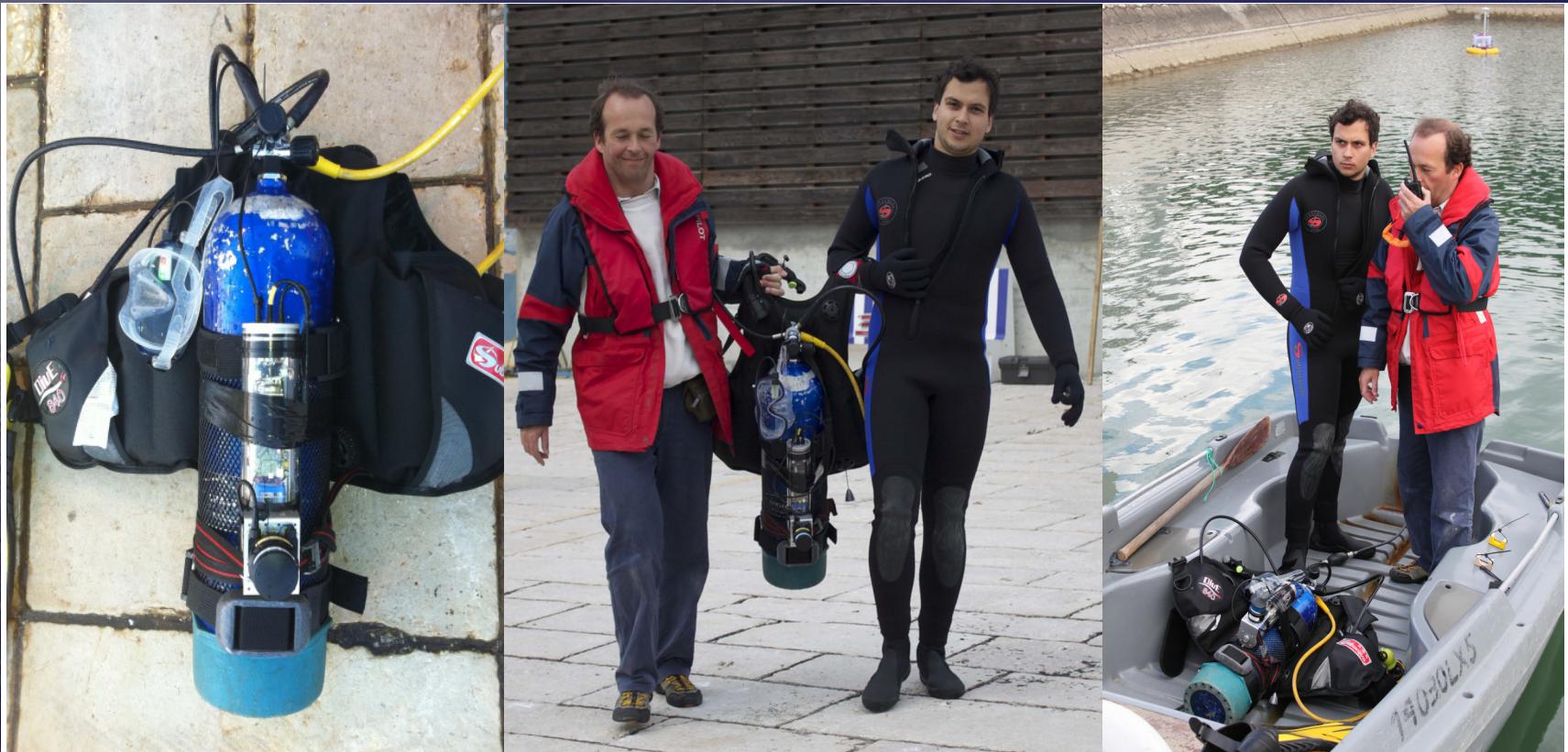


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Goggles with  
LED array for  
diver guidance

# Robots/Diver operations



Phase 1. Diver preparation

# Robots/Diver operations



Goggles with LED array



Checking the  
acoustic comms network



Diver ready

Phase 2. Systems initialization

Scenario	Vehicle	Variables
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39%
192.168.2.1
Server X = 8, Y = 124
Xj -1
Xk -1

Clear
WP Clear
Point
Zoom In
Zoom Out
WayPoint
Yj -1
Yk -1

```
BAT_Cell15=3602.000000
BAT_Cell14=3572.000000
BAT_Cell13=3563.000000
BAT_Cell12=3536.000000
BAT_Cell11=3496.000000
BAT_Cell10=3483.000000
BAT_Current=1665.000000
MATLAB_Value4=0.694071
MATLAB_Value3=0.317212
MATLAB_Value2=0.352560
MATLAB_Value1=136.000000
Thrusters_OFF=0.000000
BAT_Cell16=3656.000000
Modem_Heading=83.000000
Modem_Depth=0.000000
Modem_Distance=10.269280
GPS_MODE=3.000000
LEAK2=0.000000
LEAK1=0.000000
```

X Desire -1      HoldPos

Y Desire -1      Stop

RED  BLACK  YELLOW

DIVER

Upper Leak

Lower Leak

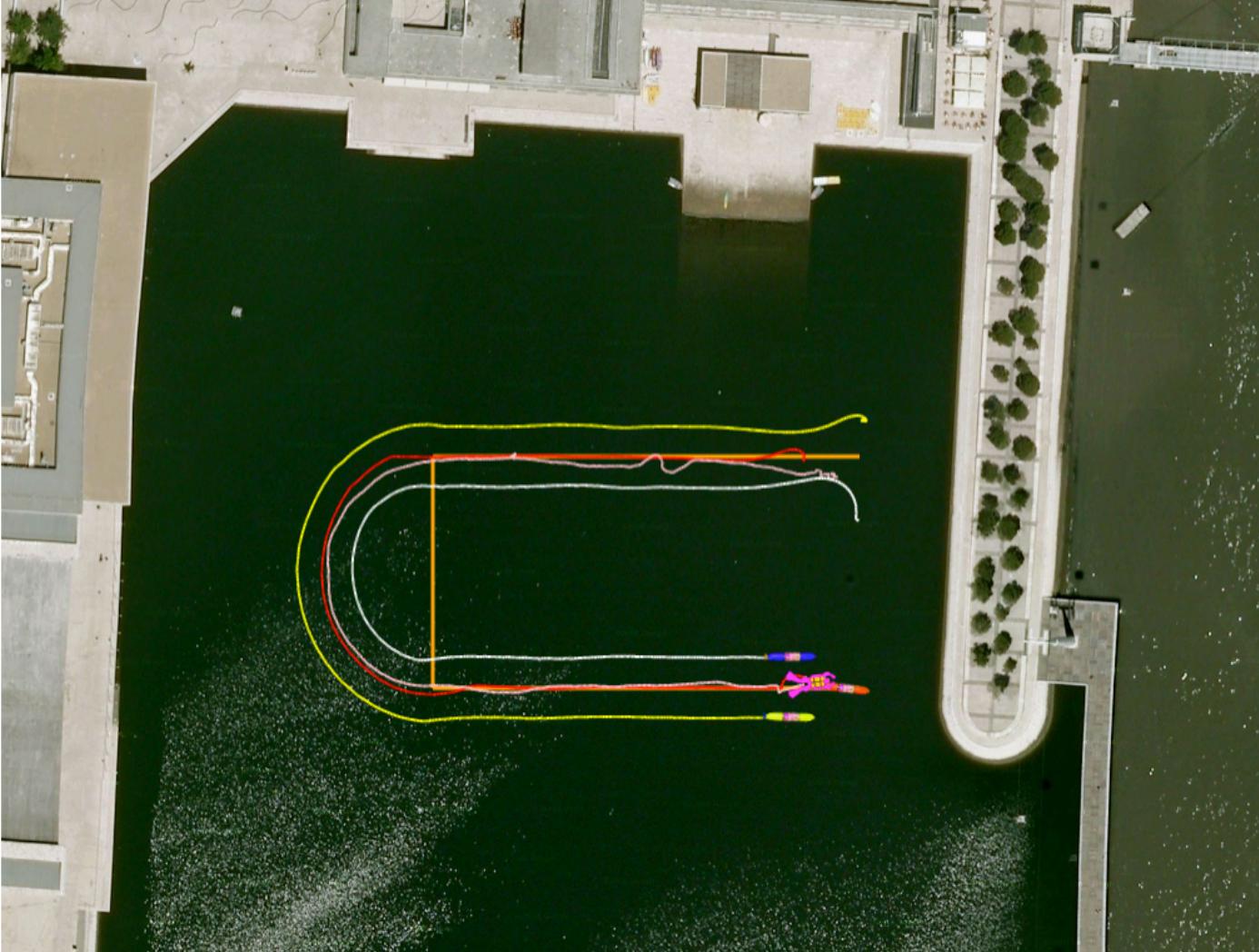
RTK FIXED

**STOP VEHICLE!**

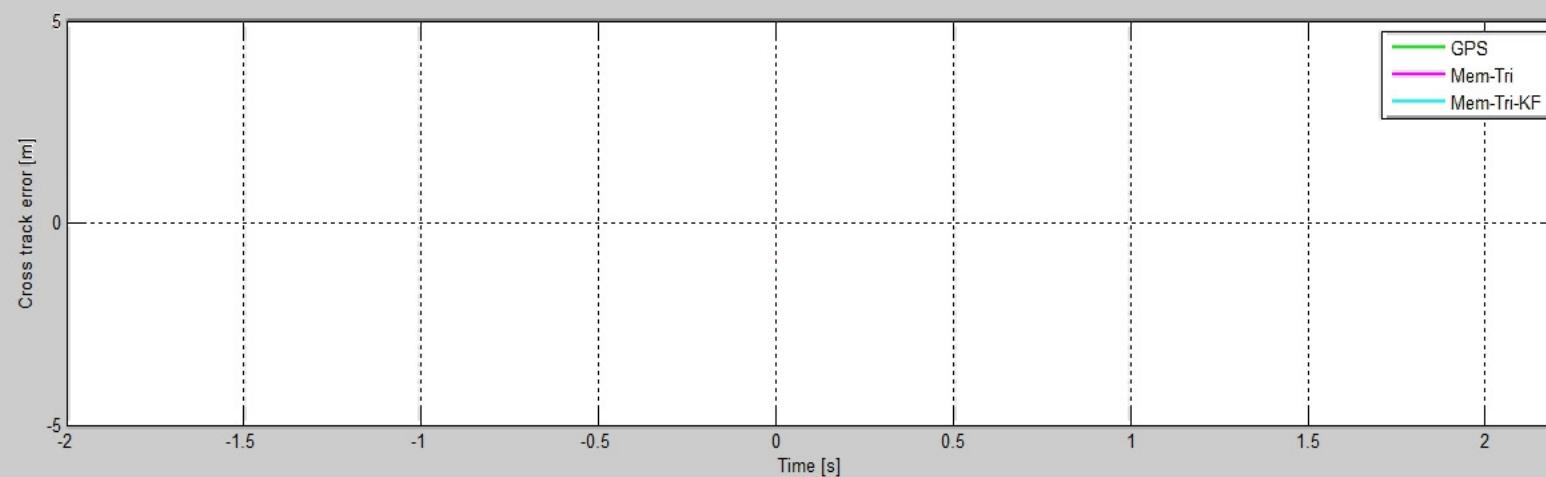
Click to Load

Drop Mission

Draw Mission



# Diver Assistance Mission 2 (Diver submerged)

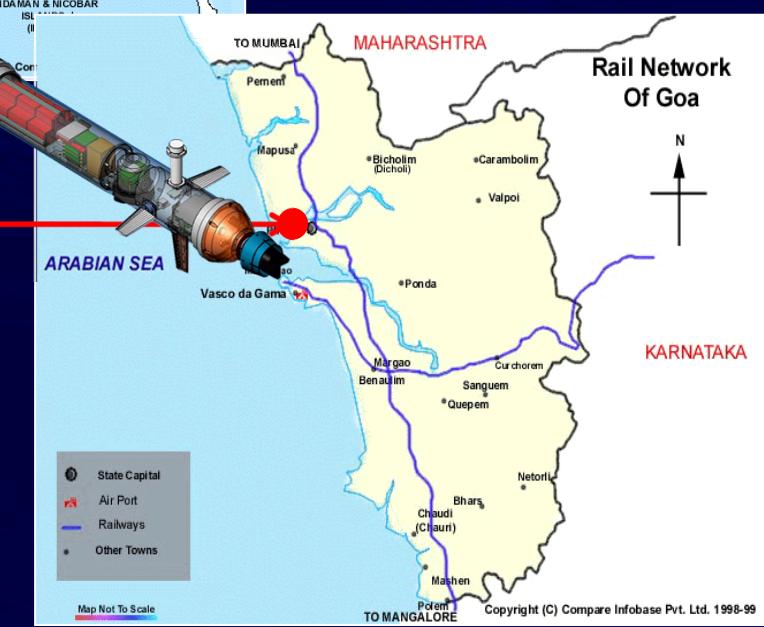
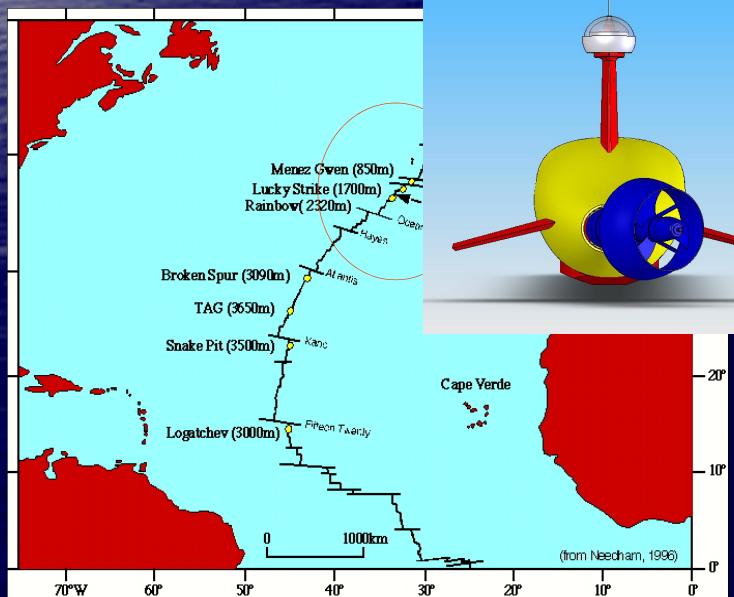




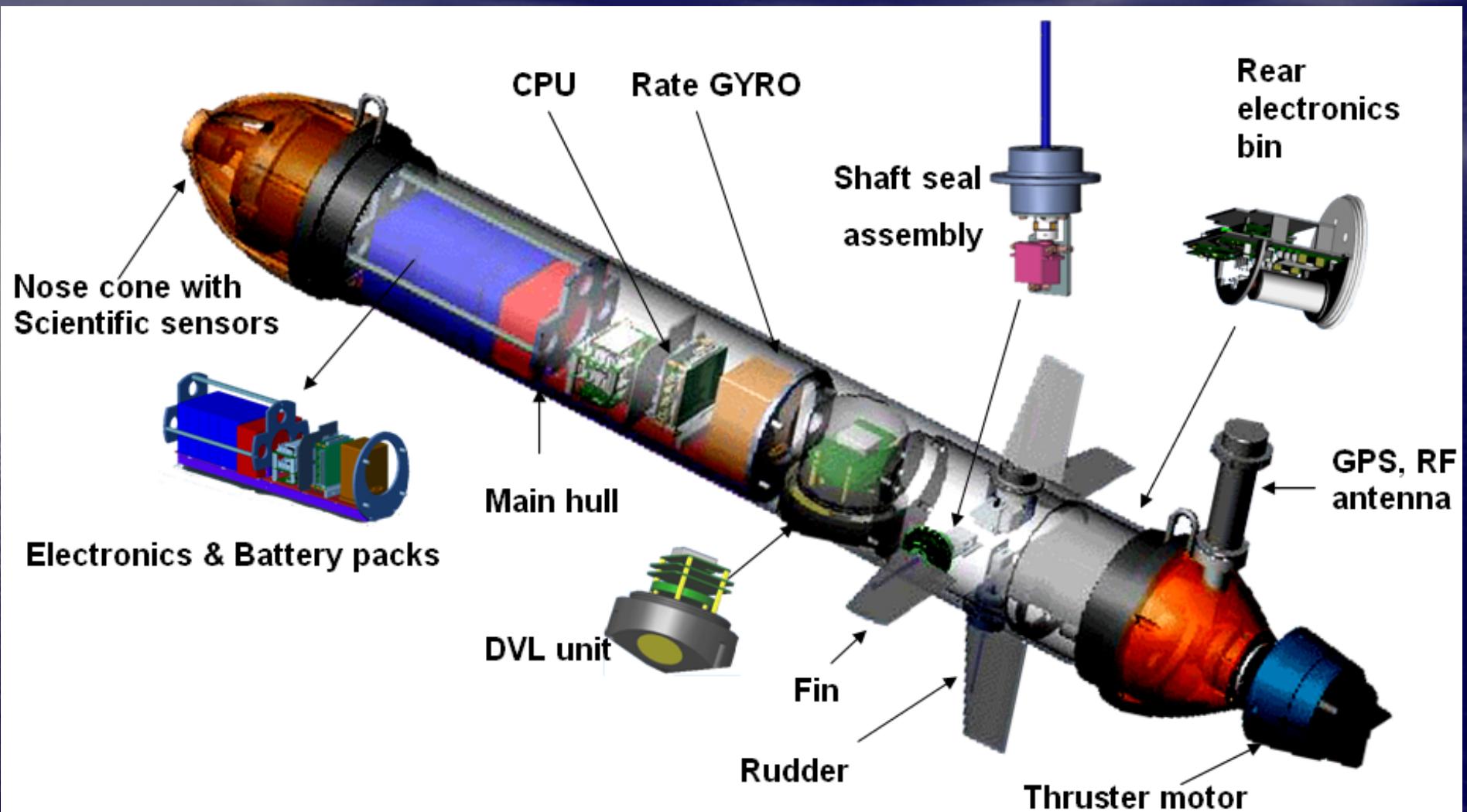
## A New Step: India- Europe

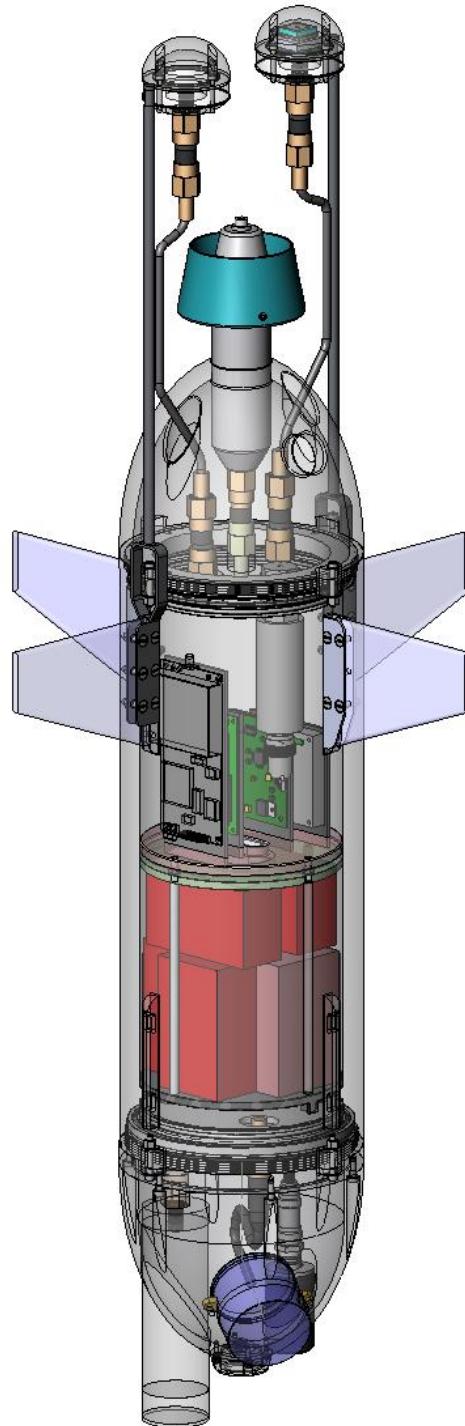
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# *Meeting with India (1999)*



# Design of Maya





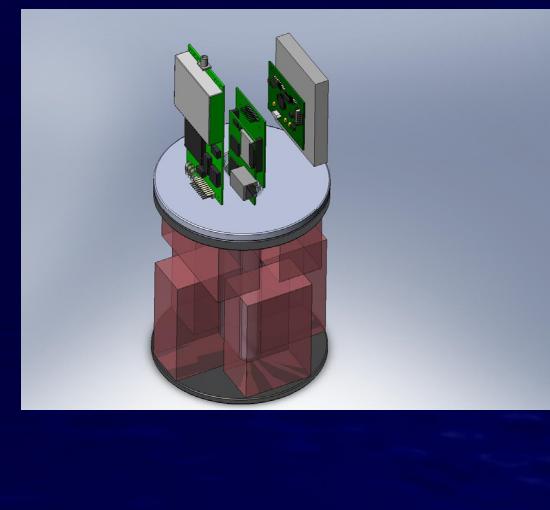
# Autonomous Vertical Profiler (AVP)

## Features:

- Delrin hull
- Weight: ~20 kg
- Length: 880 mm
- Dia: 180 mm
- Propulsion: 24V thruster
- Energy: Li Poly batteries
- sensor loaded nose
- +vely buoyant

sensor loaded nose

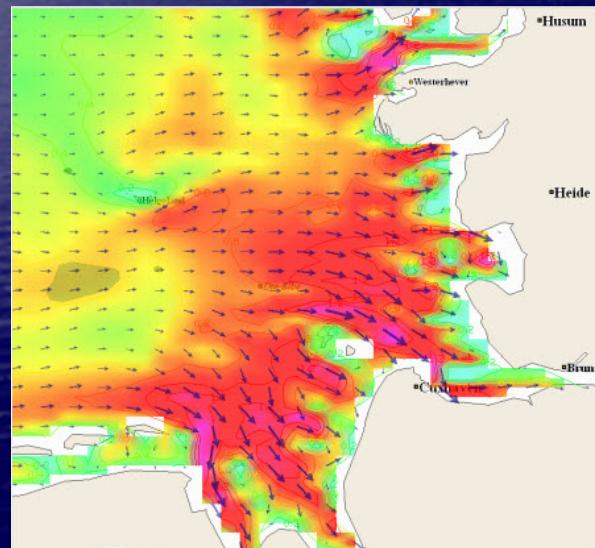
electronics,  
batteries



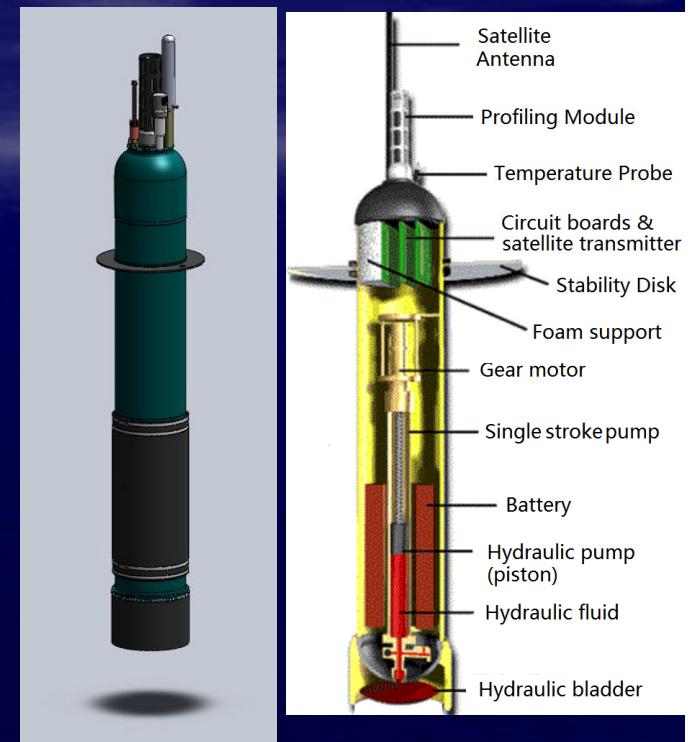
# Selective Tidal-Stream Transport for Lagrangian profilers

Lagrangian profiler/profiling float:

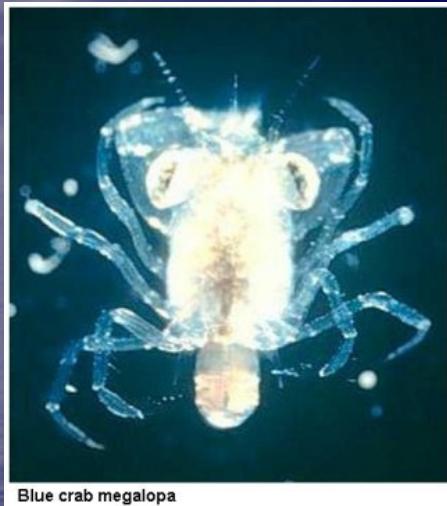
- Horizontally passive: follow ocean currents
- Used mostly in a deep water environment



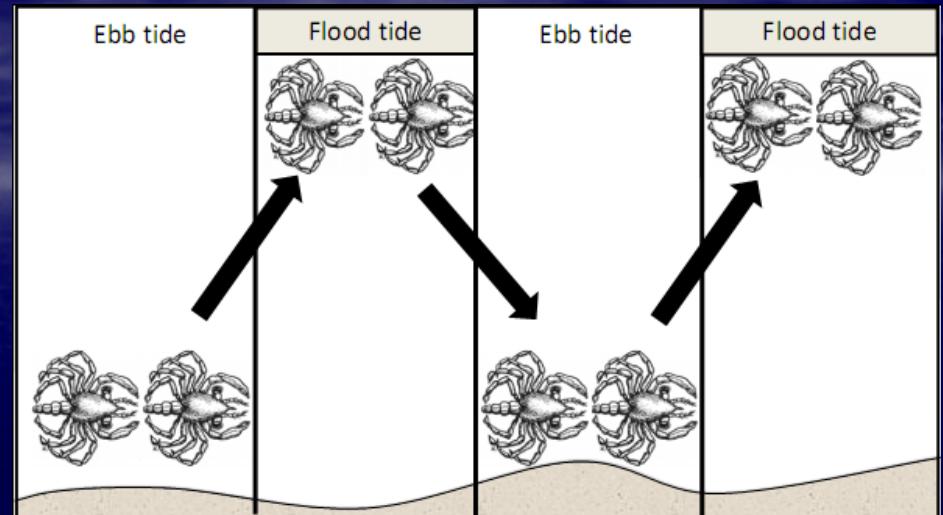
Can a profiler use  
tidal currents actively?  
(for recovery, re-deployment, ...)



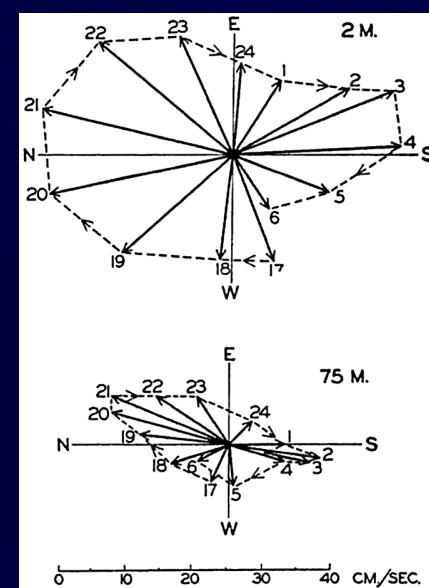
# STST in the animal world



Blue crab megalopa



Adult Plaice

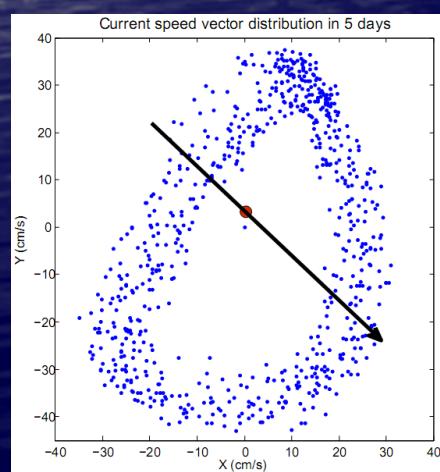
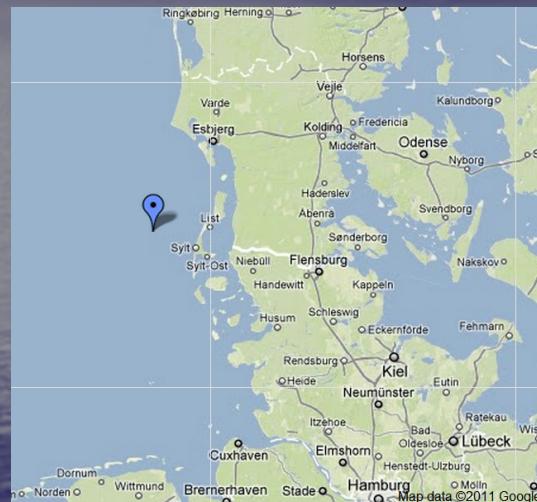


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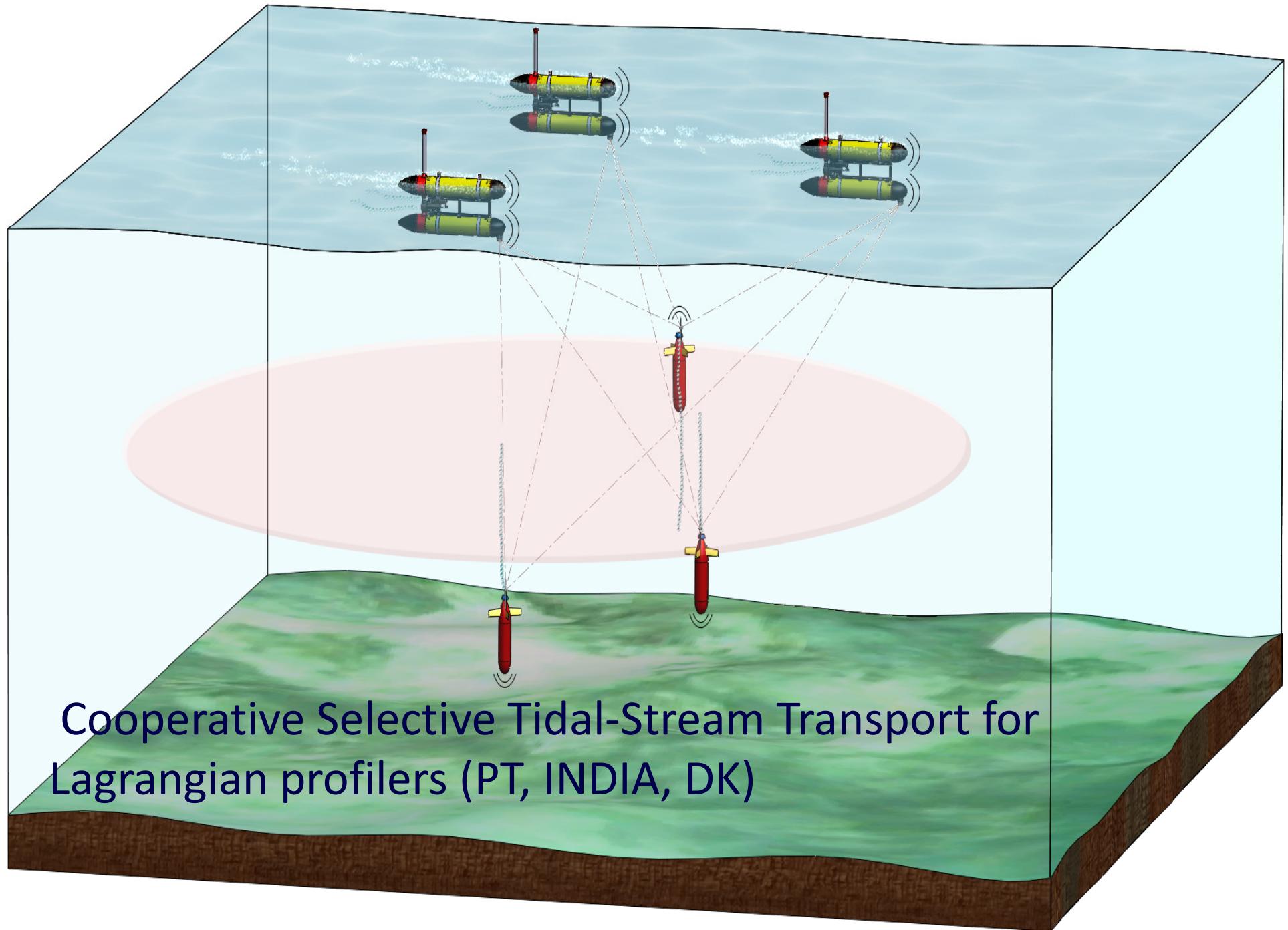
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# Test results in a re-deployment scenario

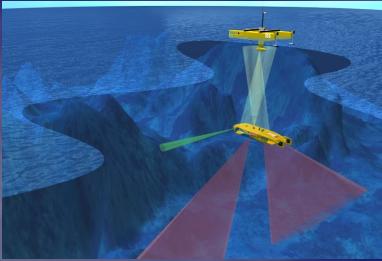
## Current data profiles from the North Sea



Mean current: 3.2cm/s



Cooperative Selective Tidal-Stream Transport for  
Lagrangian profilers (PT, INDIA, DK)



Mission  
specification



## Cooperative motion planning

Nominal trajectories &  
desired vehicle formation

## Cooperative motion control

Global and local, relative vehicle positions

## Cooperative navigation

Cooperative systems: key blocks required

Generate time-deconflicted trajectories

Cooperative Go-To-Formation Maneuver



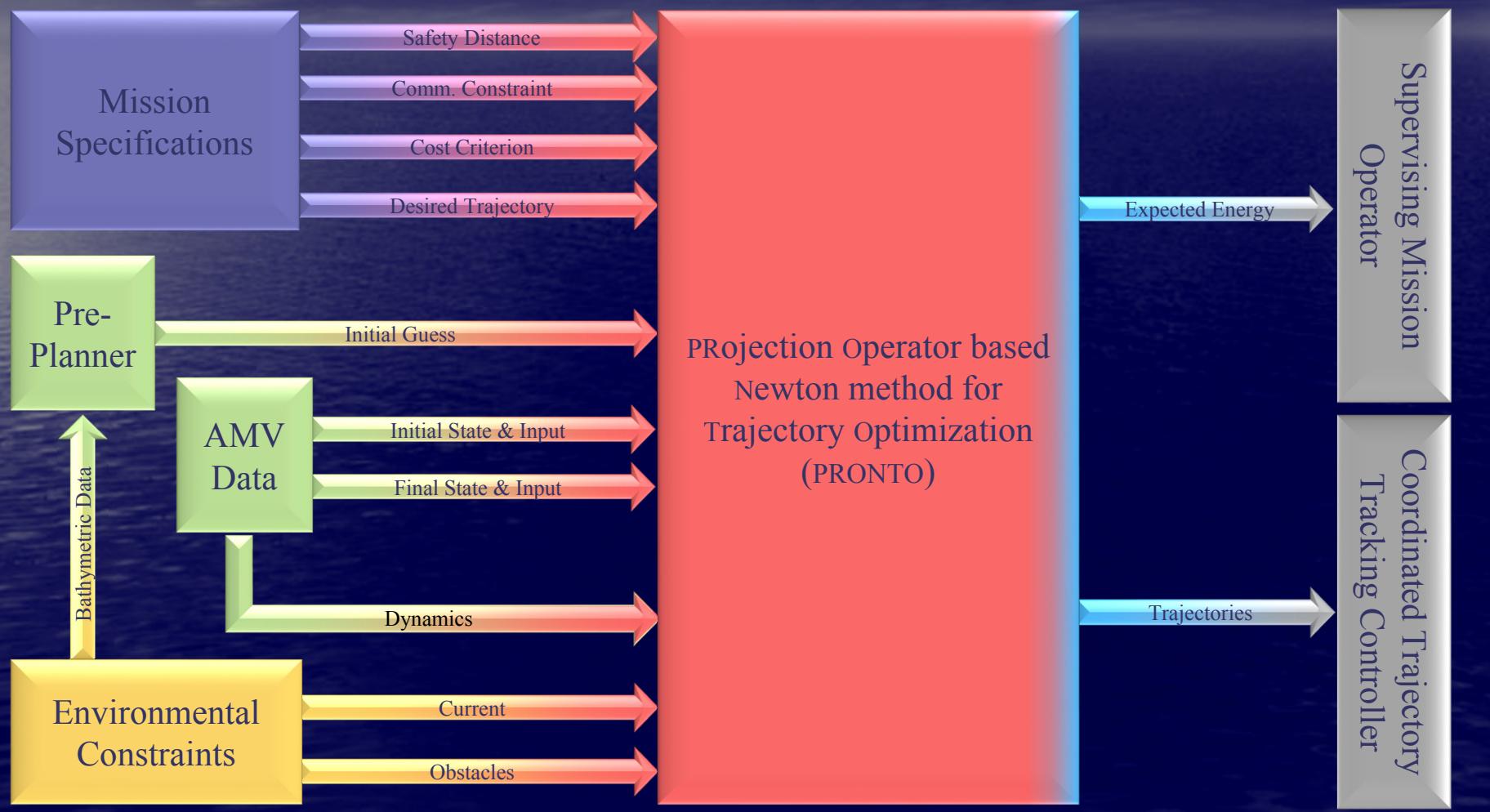
Vehicles scattered after deployment

# Key issues

- . Explicit incorporation of *nonlinear vehicle dynamics*
- . *4-quadrant thruster model* for energy consumption computations
- . *Fast descent method* to solve constrained continuous-time optimal control problems  
(PRONTO tool)



# Trajectory Planning Framework



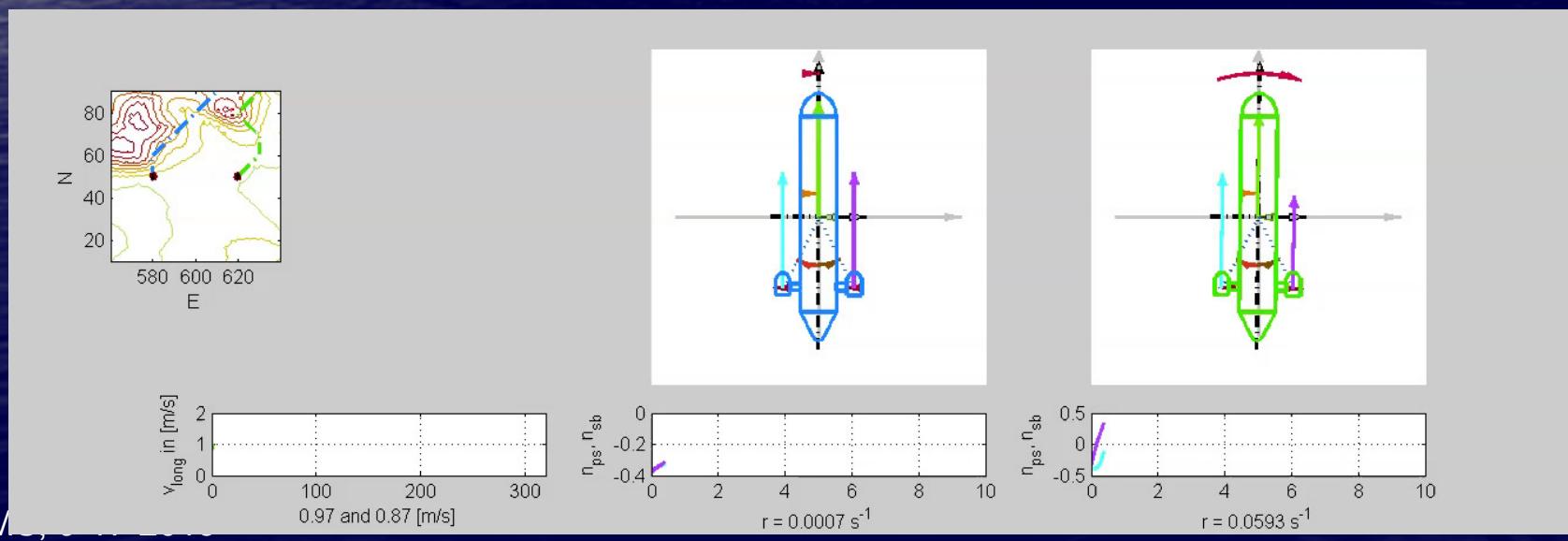
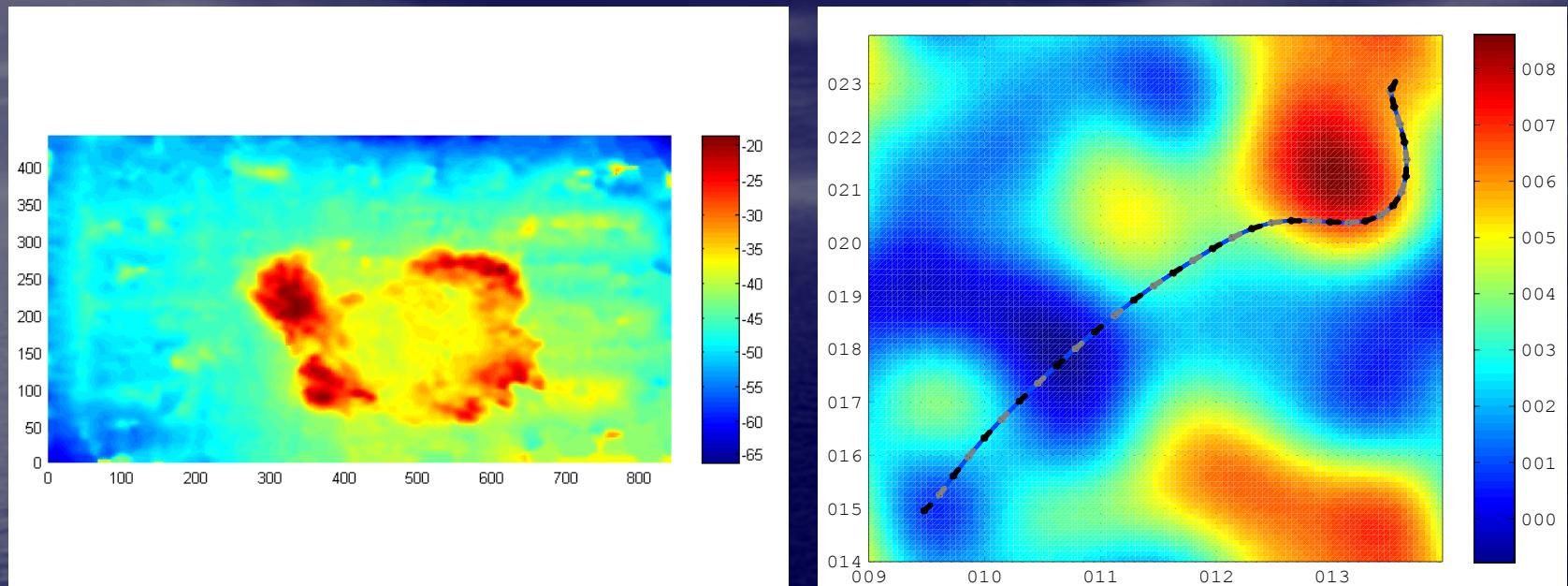
# How is energy computed?



*Electrical Power = Voltage x Current*

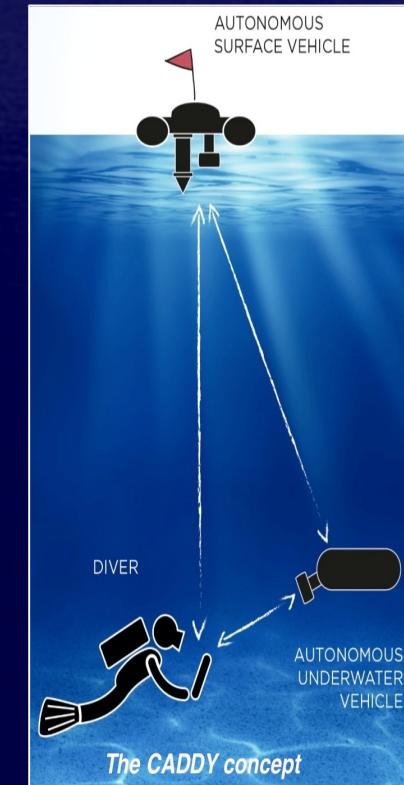
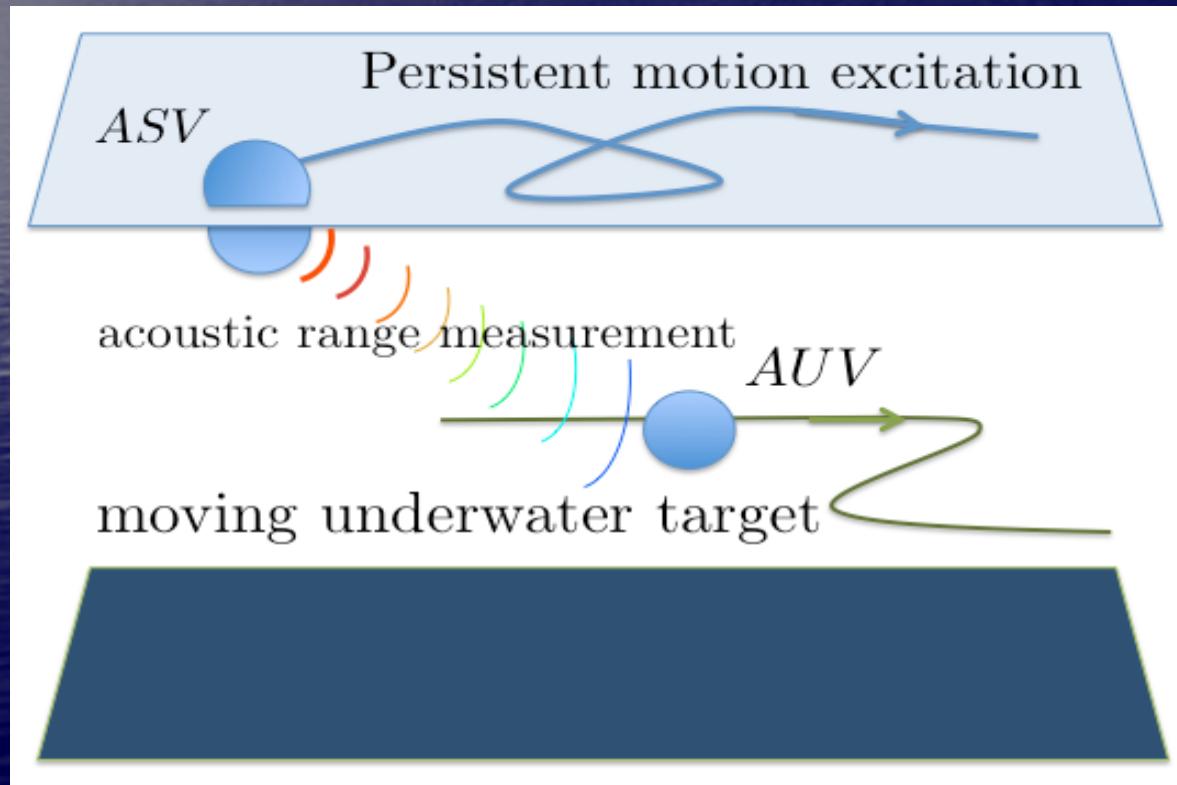
ENERGY expenditure =  
integral of Power

# Cooperative Motion Planning Temporal, Energy, and Geophysical Constraints)



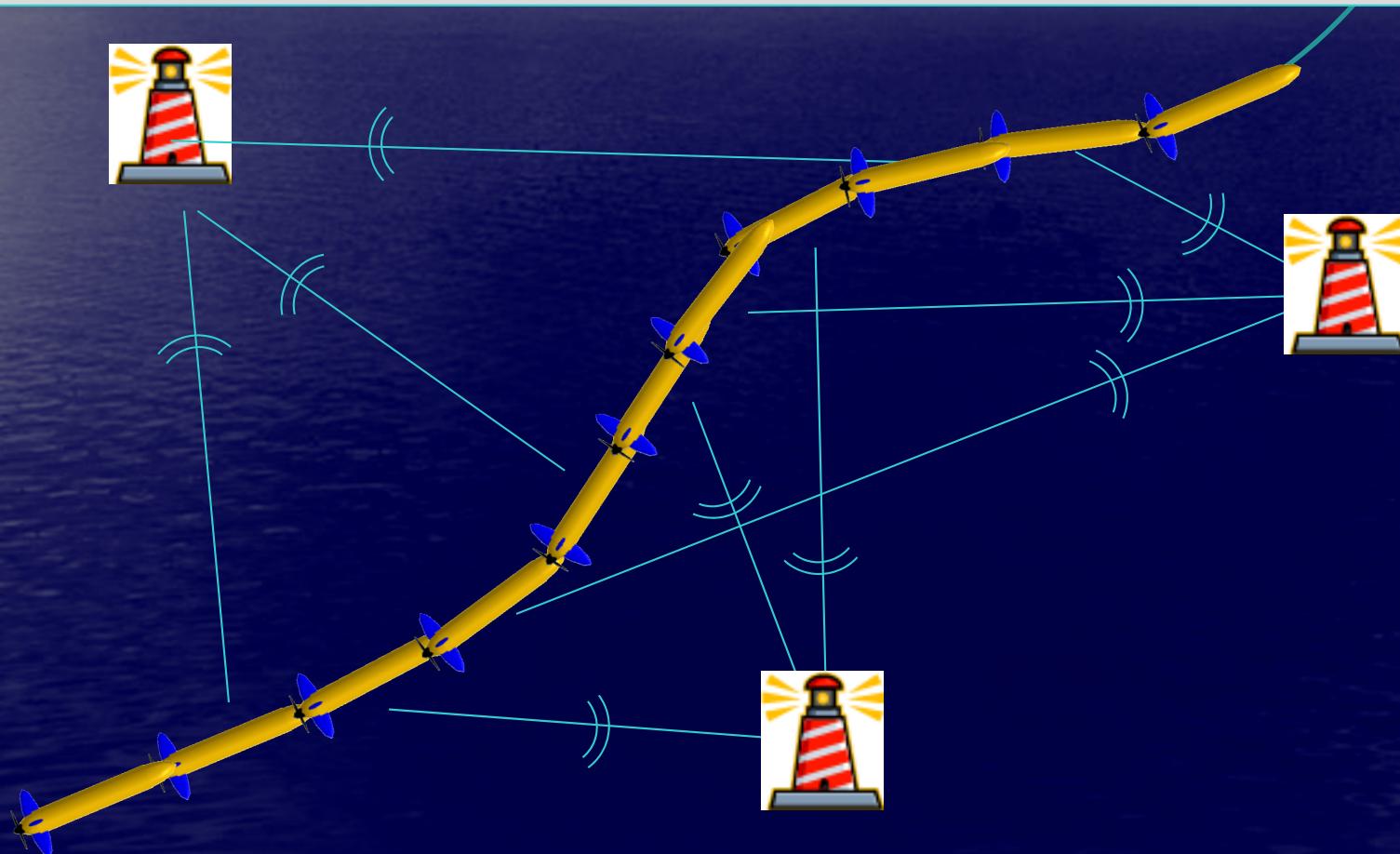
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# Range-Based AUV Tracking



# AUV Range-Only Localization

- Under what *conditions* can we reconstruct the initial state of the system (unknown beacon and/or vehicle location)?

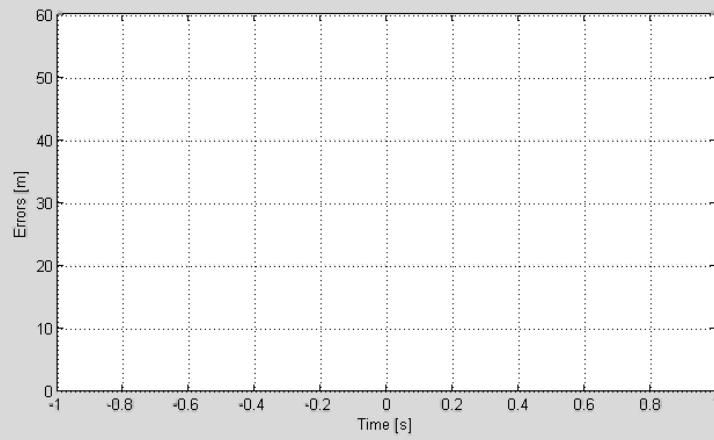
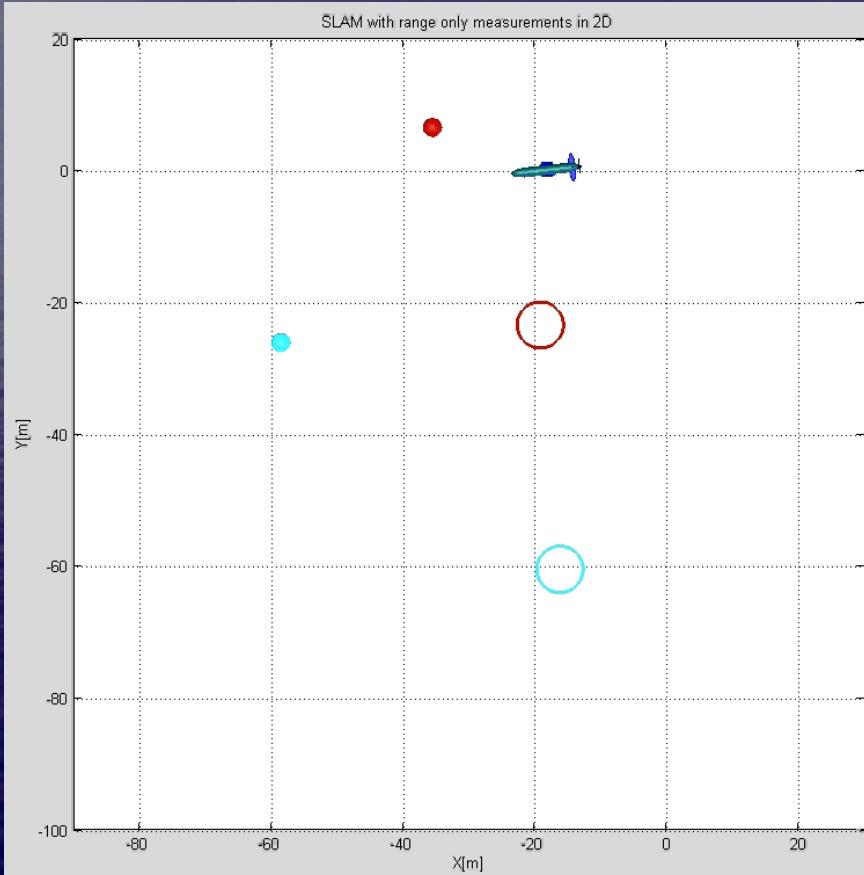


# Experimental Results



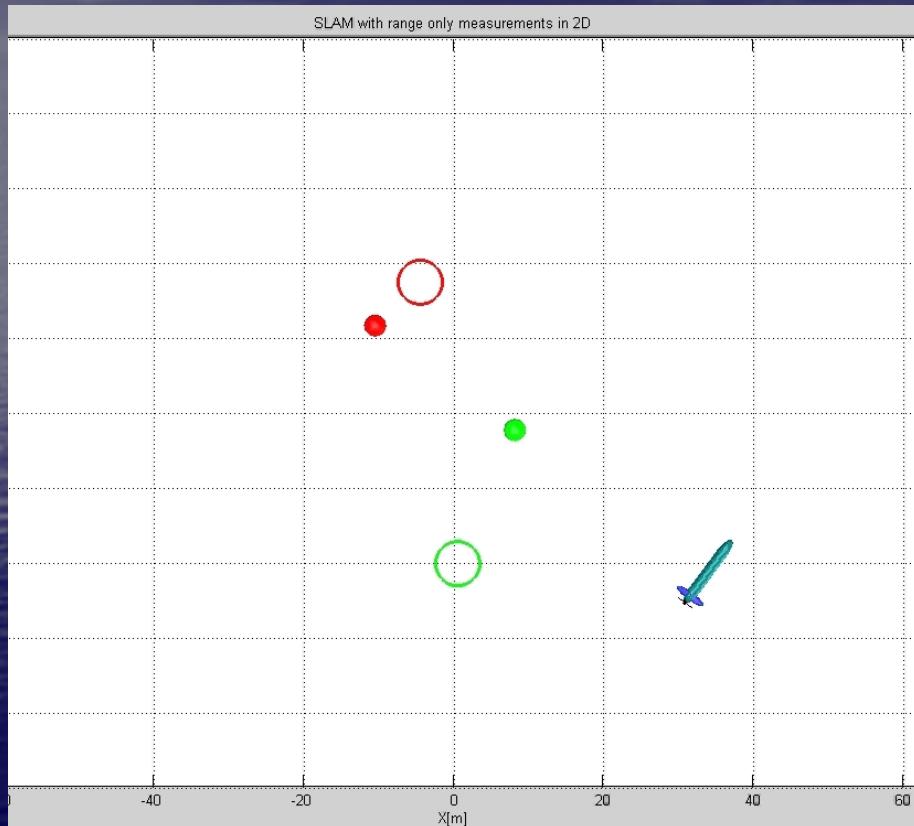
- *Medusa autonomous vehicles with cooperative motion control capabilities*
- *Acoustic network*

# Experimental Results



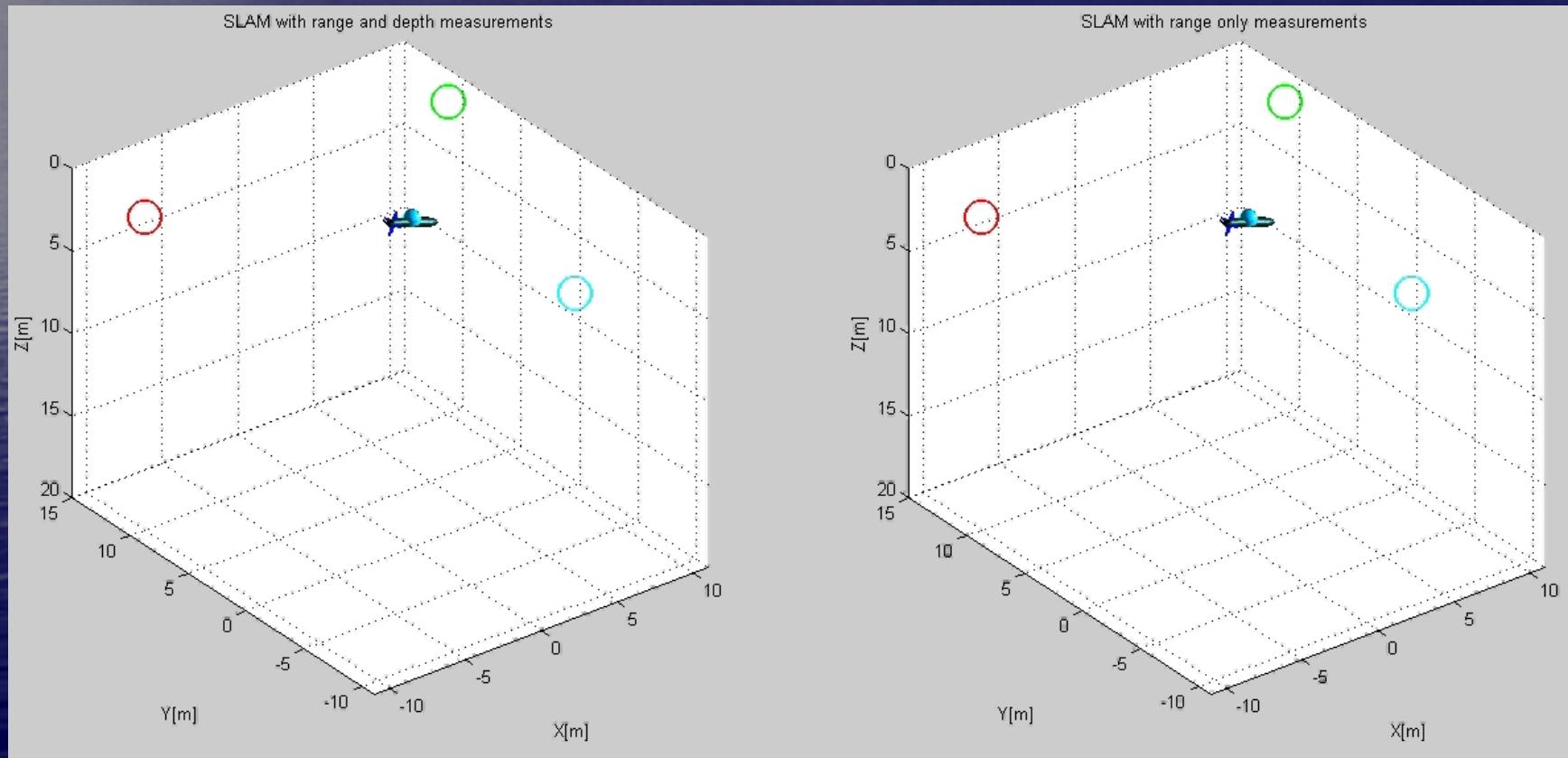
# Experimental Results

- Vehicle position and estimate

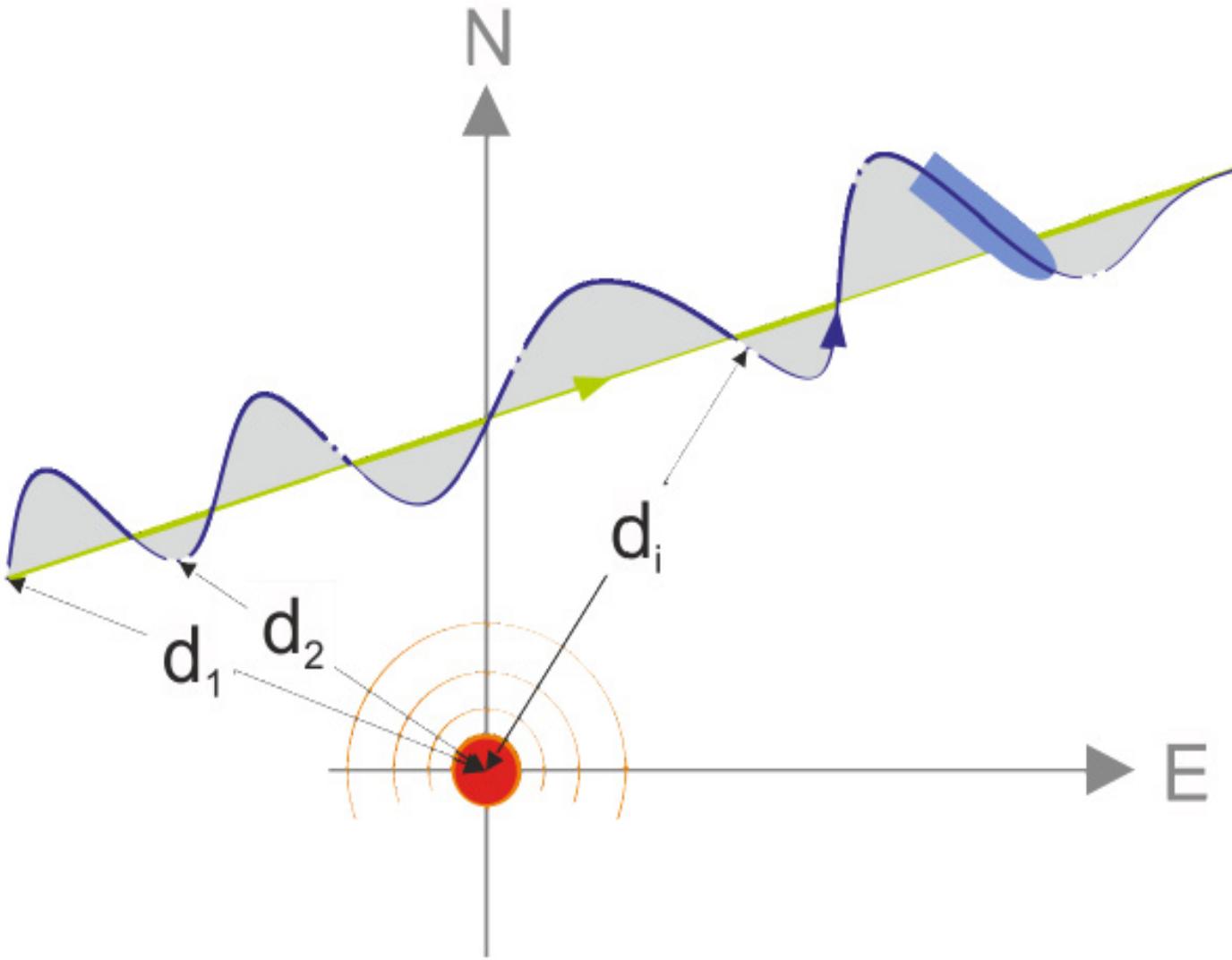


Transponder positions and estimates

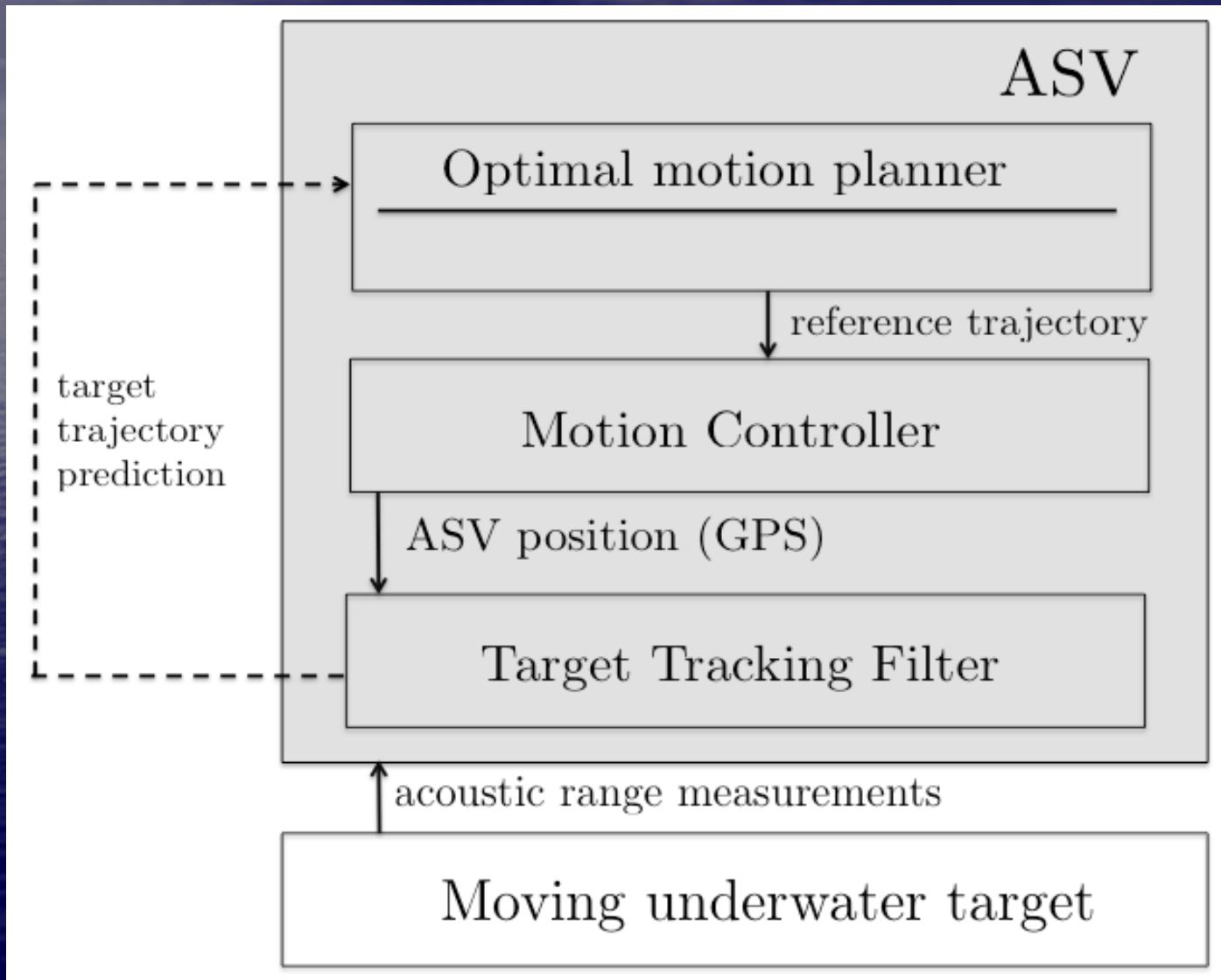
# 3D Multiple Model Adaptive Estimation



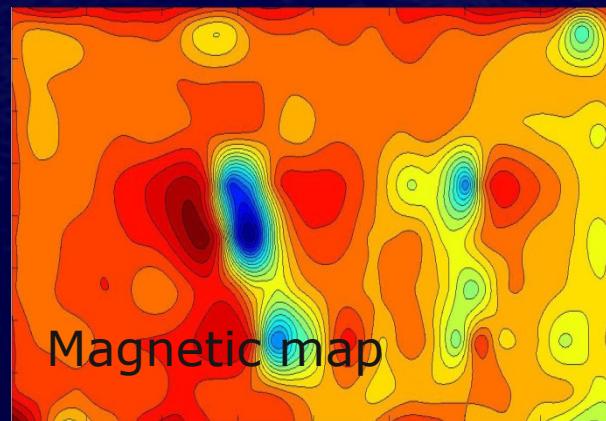
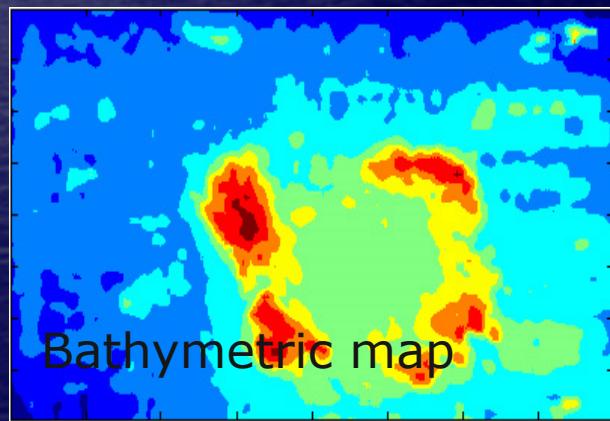
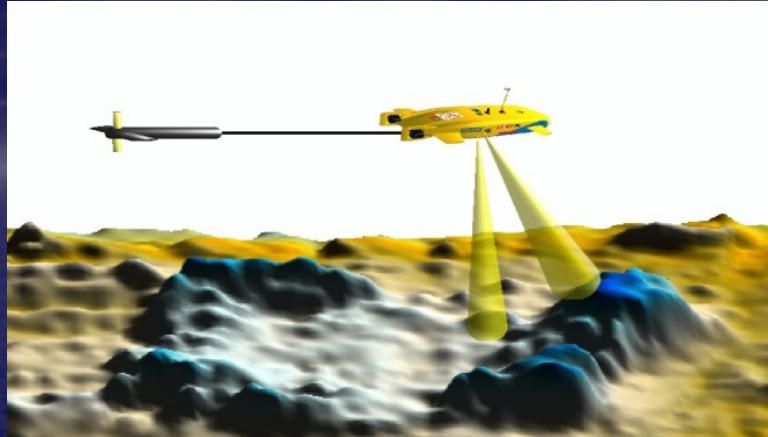
## Motion Planning under Observability Constraints



# *Range-Based AUV Tracking: put it to work!*



# Geophysical-Based Navigation

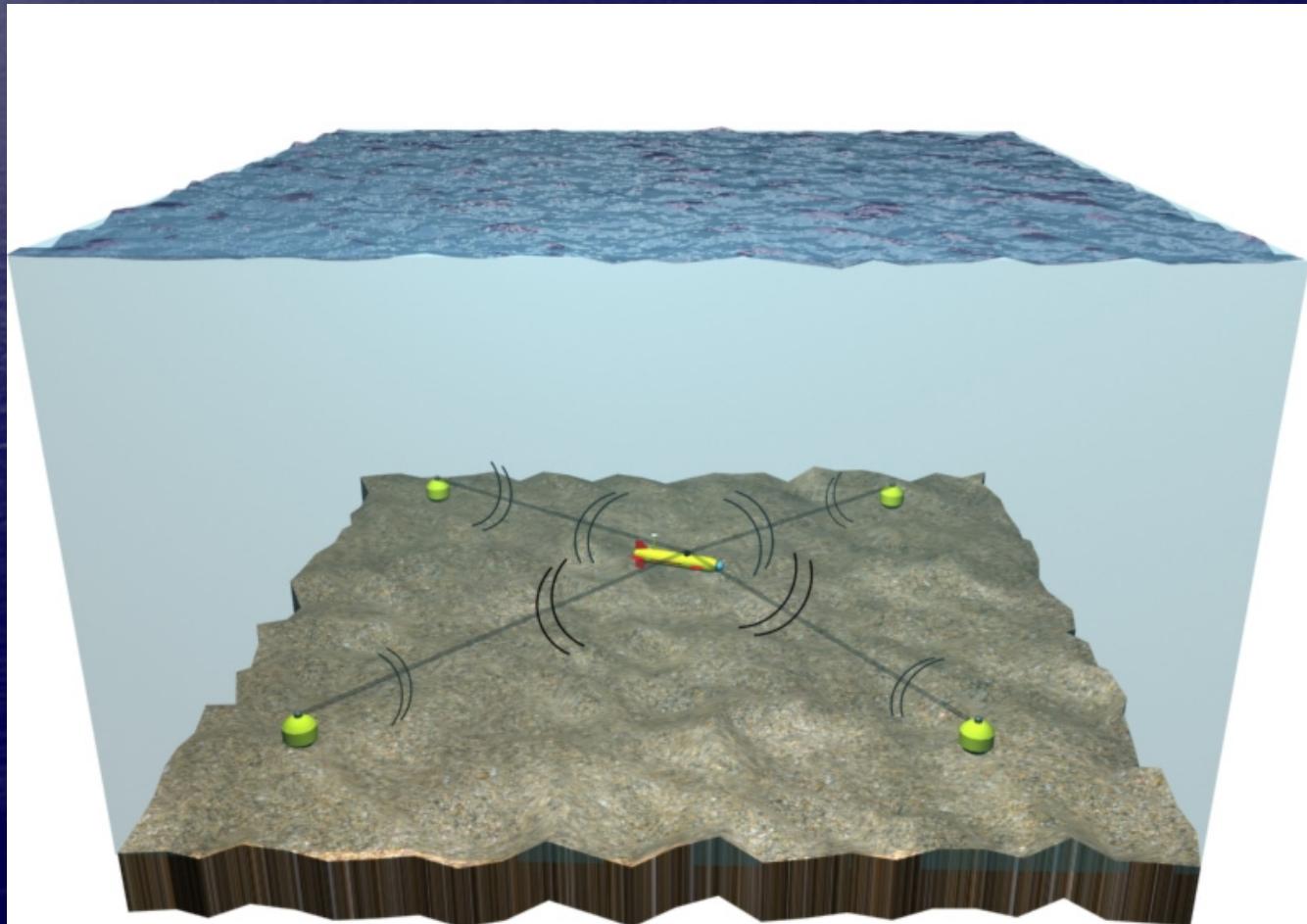


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# Conventional Navigation Solutions

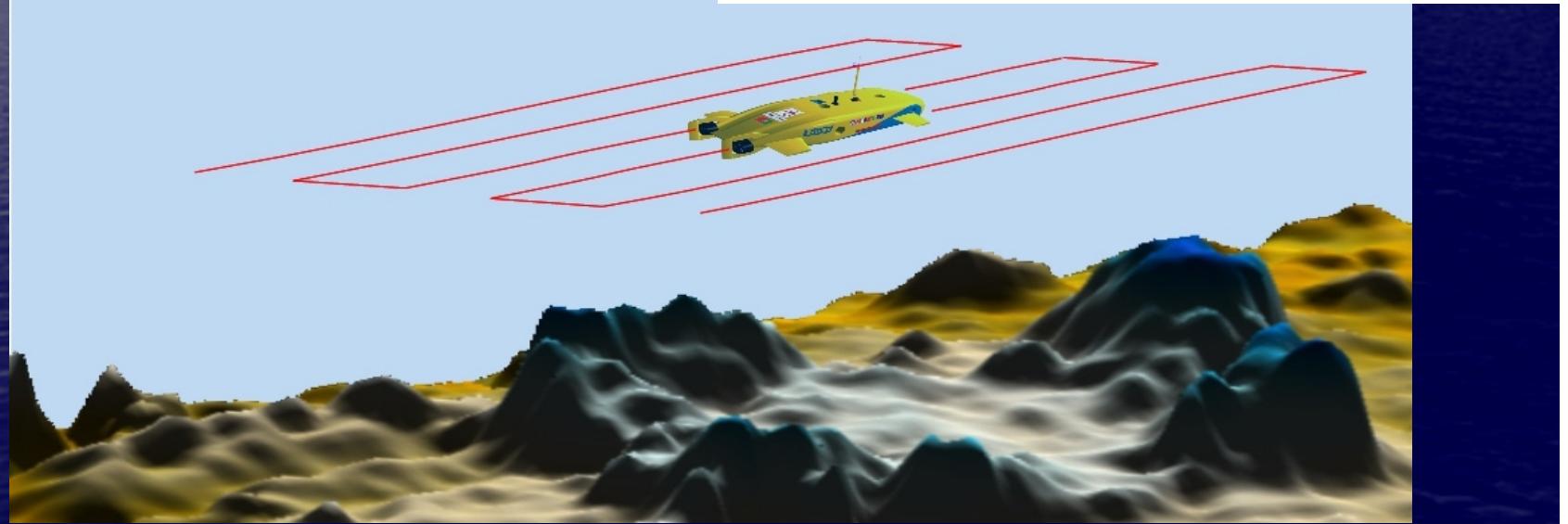
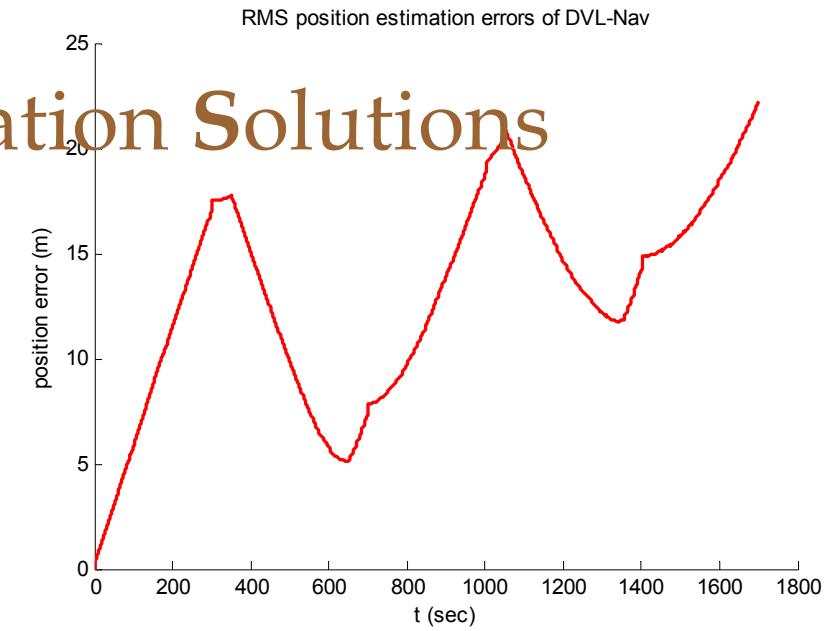
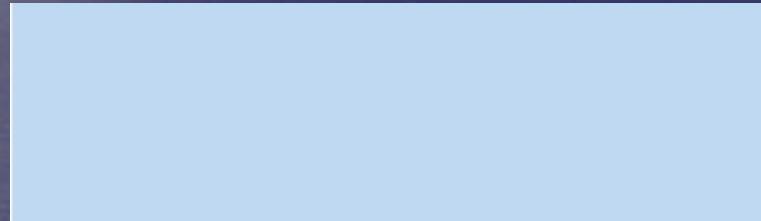
## Conventional equipment

- Inertial navigation systems (INS): **proprioceptive sensors**
- Odometry sensors (DVL): **exteroceptive sensors**
- Long acoustic baselines (LBL): **artificial beacons**



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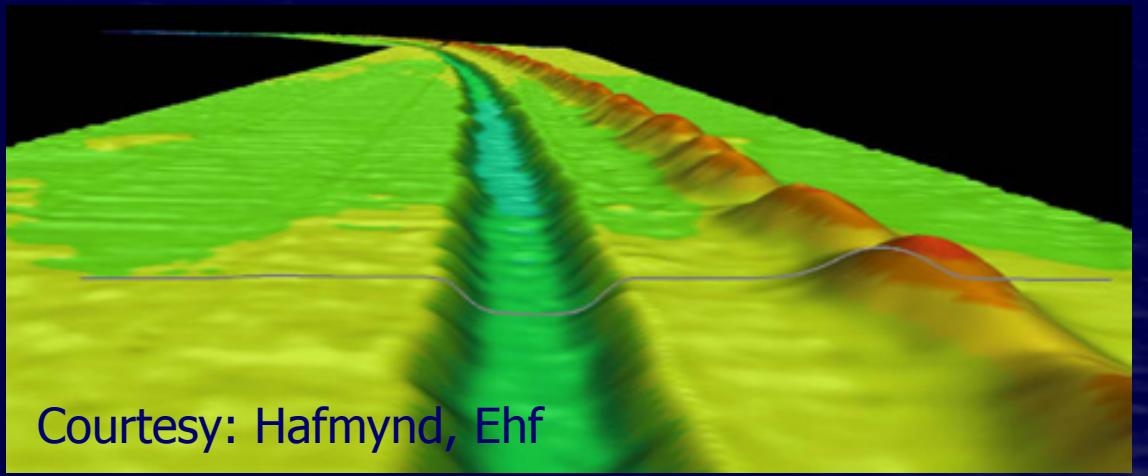
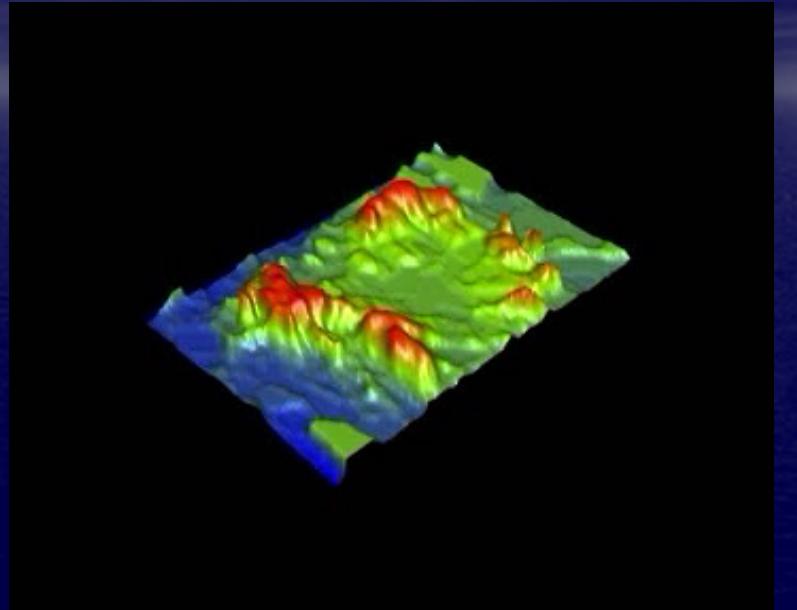
- INS/DVL limitations



- LBLs are expensive and complex to deploy

# Non-conventional Navigation Solutions

- Exploit information from the environment for self-localization
  - Natural features: elevation; reflective properties...
  - Artificial features: submarine cables or trenches; moorings; ship wrecks...

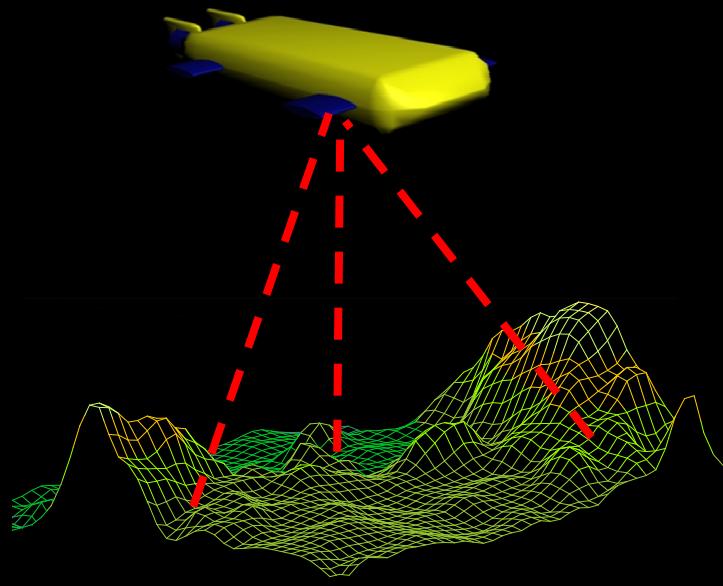
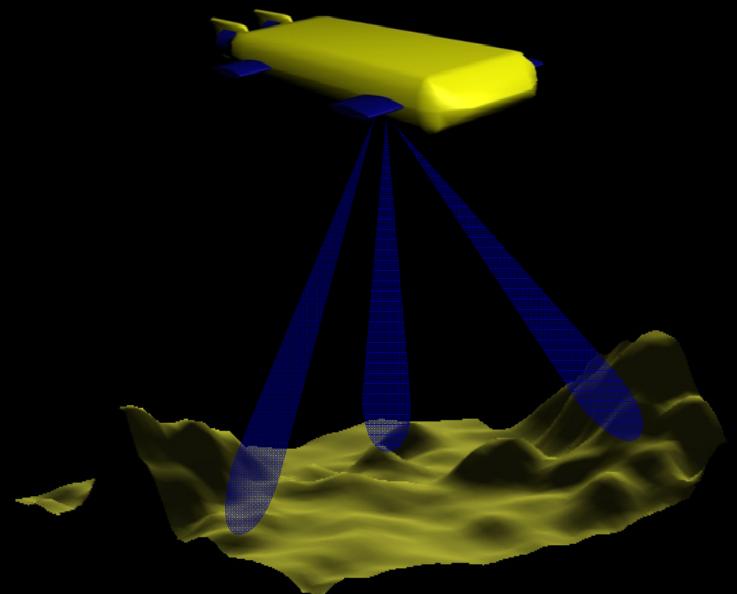


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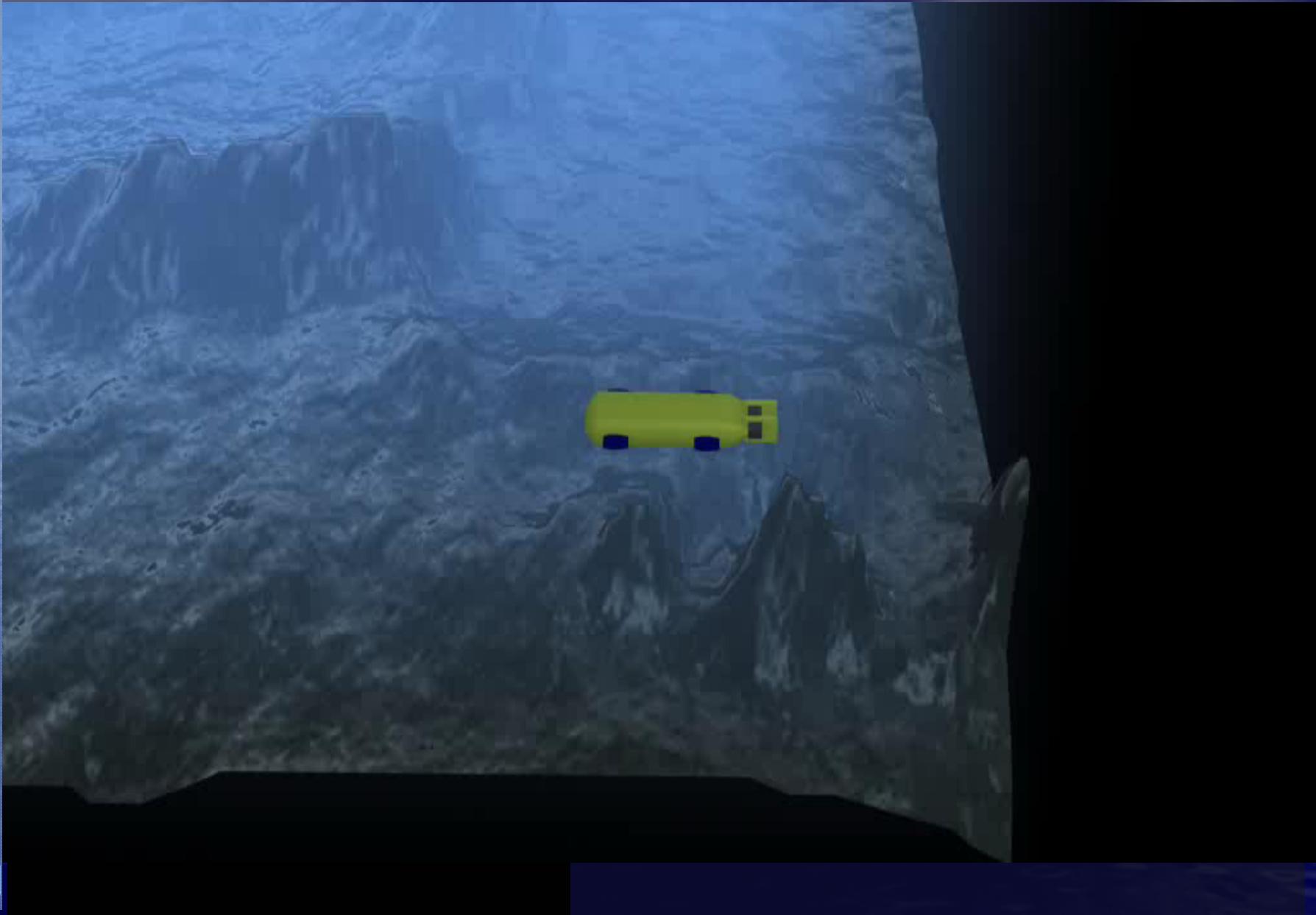
# Non-conventional Navigation Solutions

## ▪ Terrain-Aided Navigation (TAN a.k.a. TRN,TBN)

- Use a prior map of the environment.
- Make observations of the terrain
- Match observations against the map to estimate position.



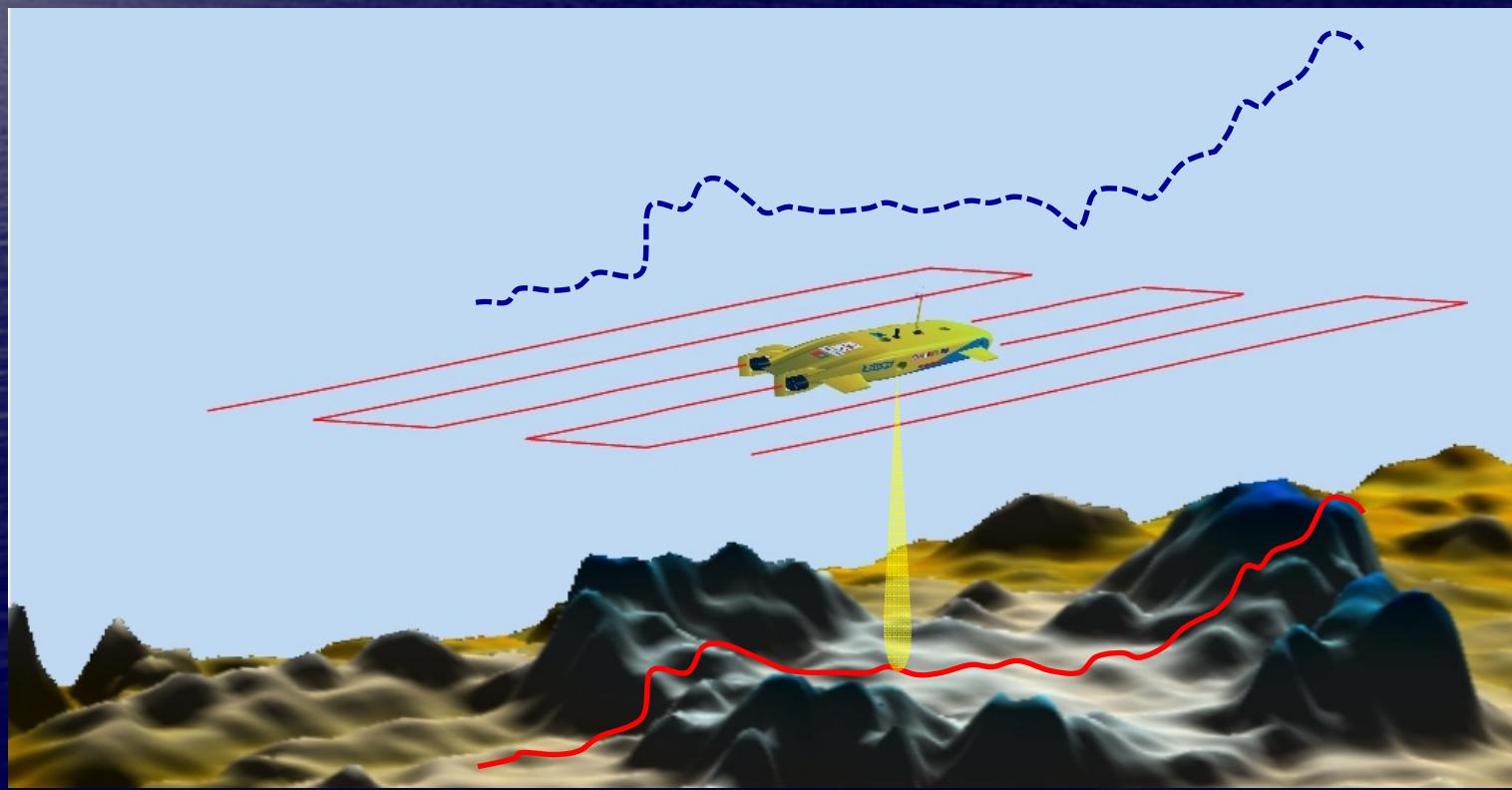
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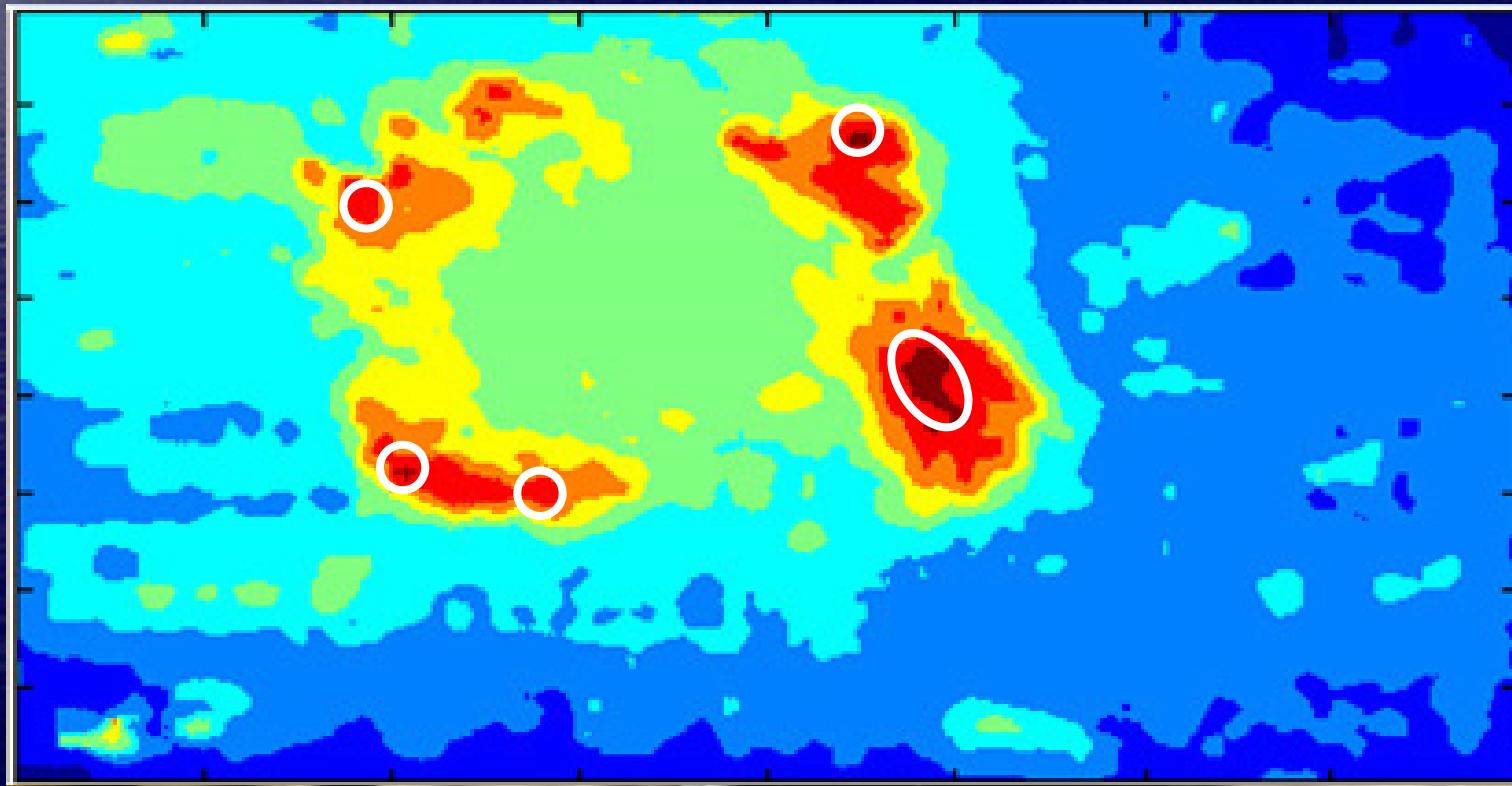
## ■ Map matching

- Can be done sequentially or in batch without explicit feature extraction and data association/registration.

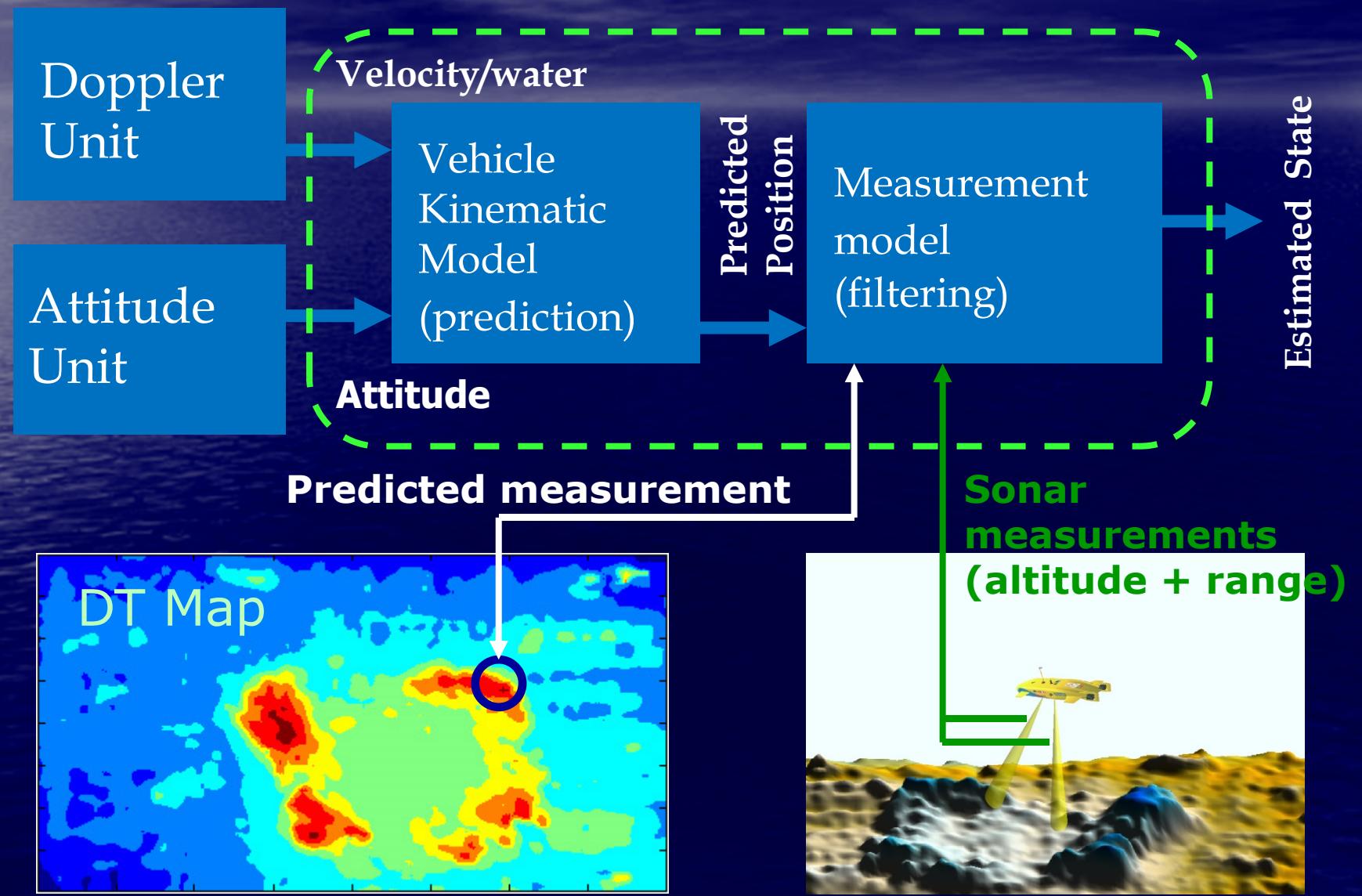


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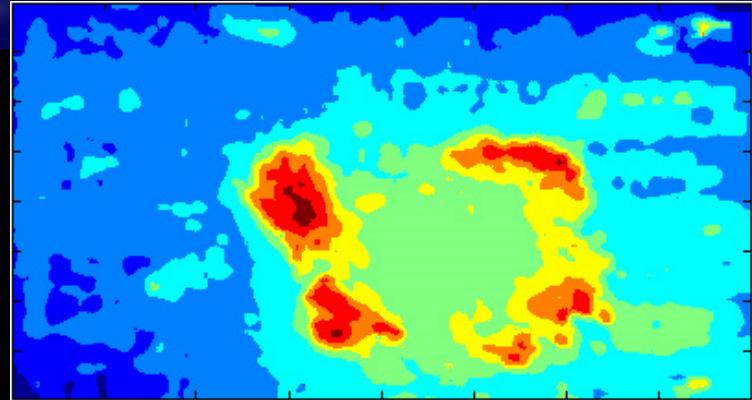
- **Sequentially acquire/ refine a map of the terrain & simultaneously use this map for self-localization.**
  - Use sparse, metric or topological maps of the terrain.
  - Apply explicit feature extraction and data association.



# TAN Filters



# TAN Filters (Monte Carlo Methods - Particle Filters)



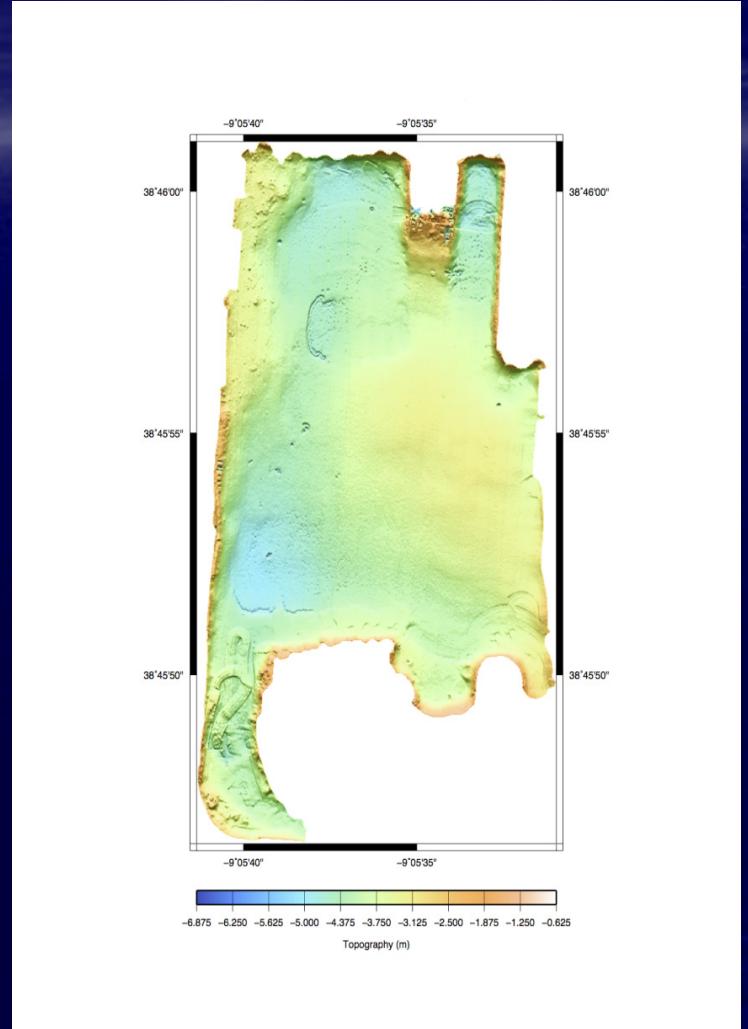
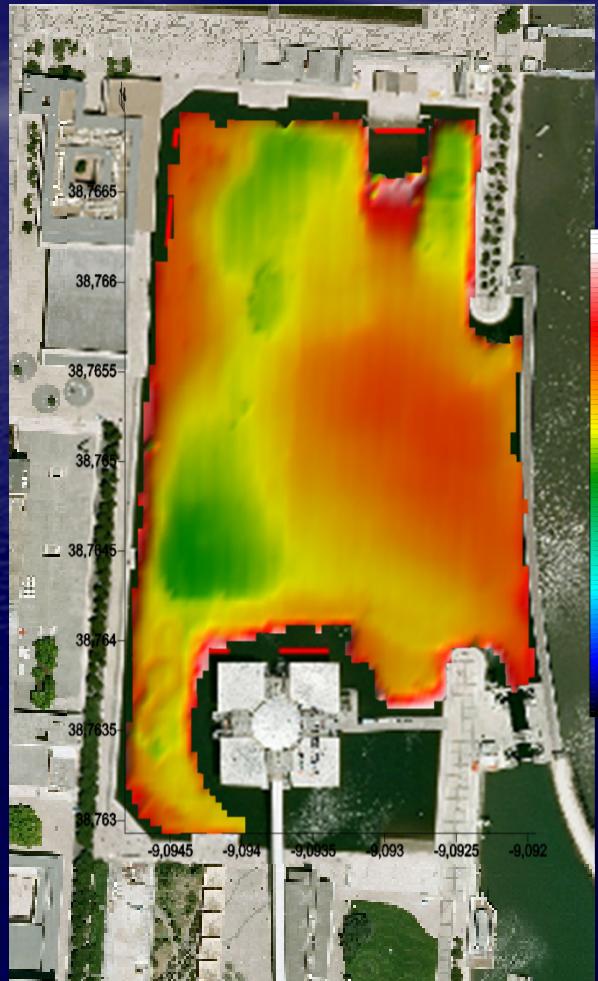
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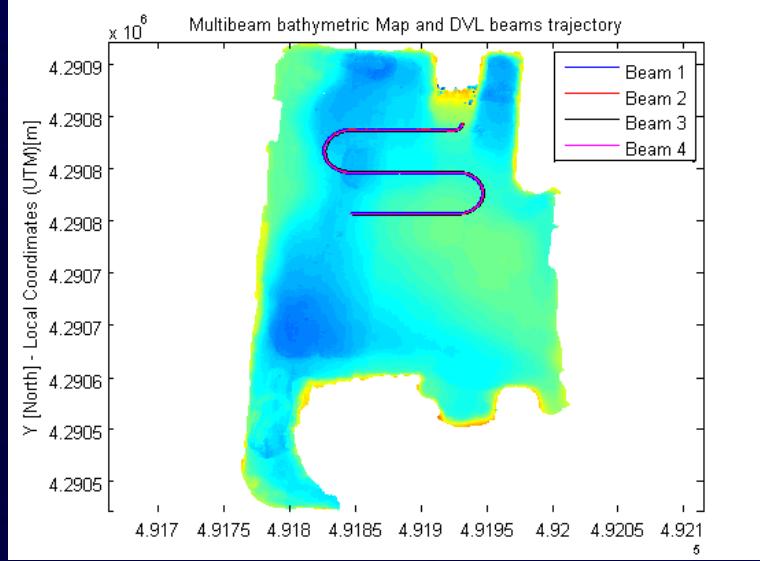
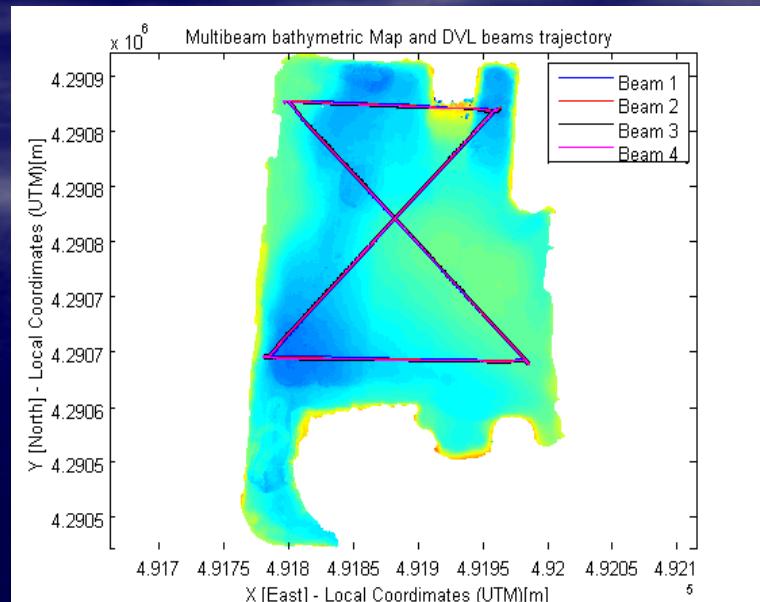
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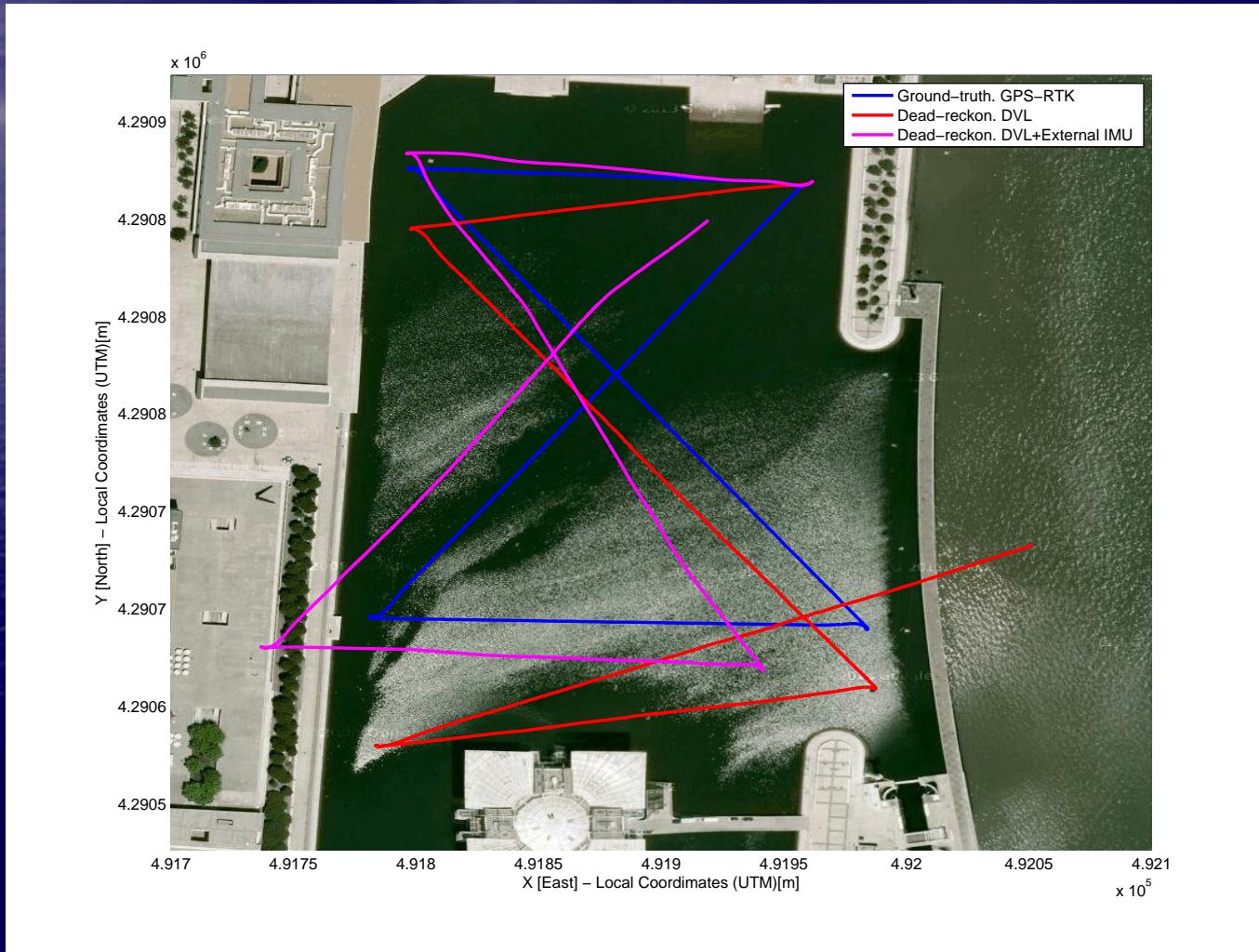
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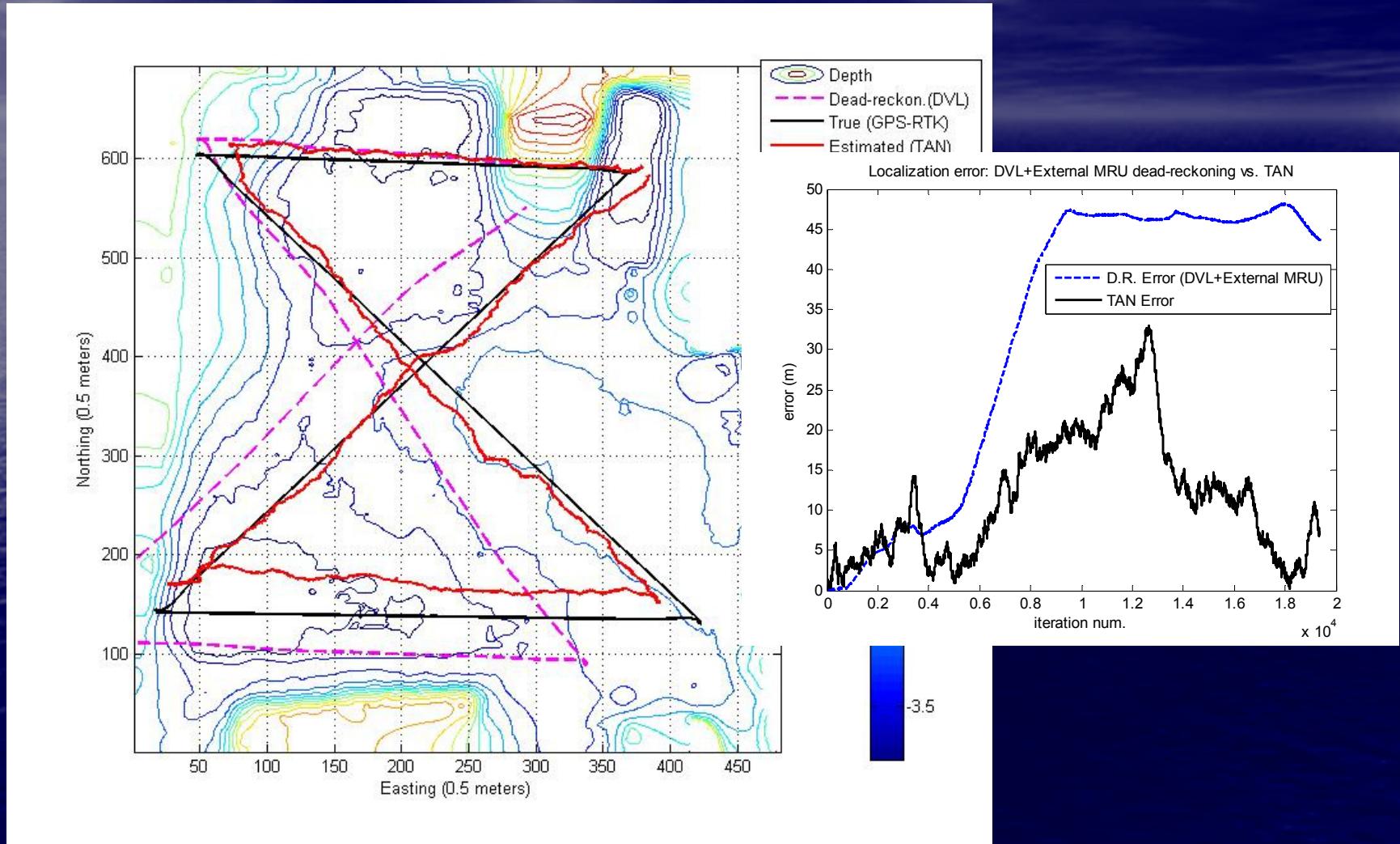


# Deadreckoning/DVL Implementation



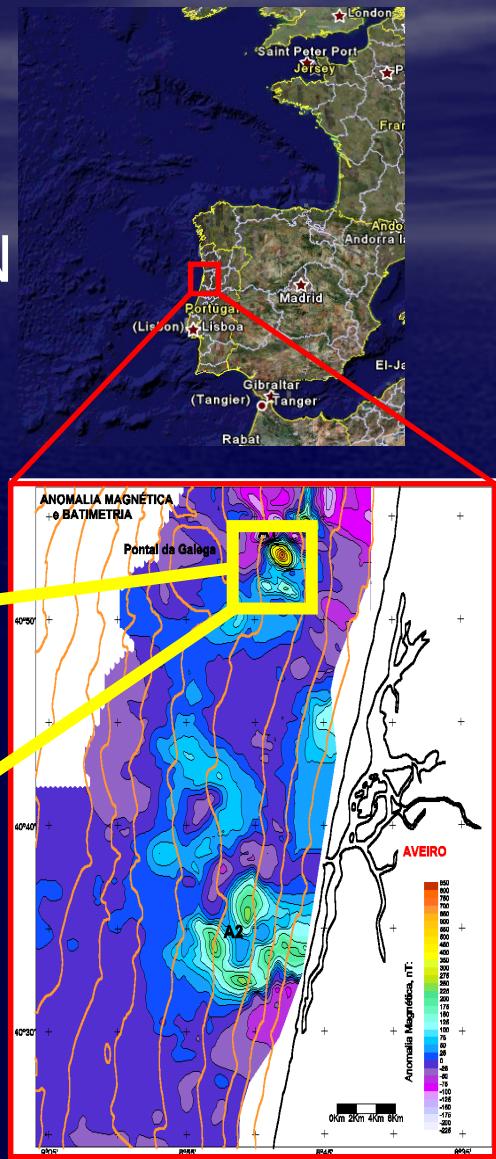
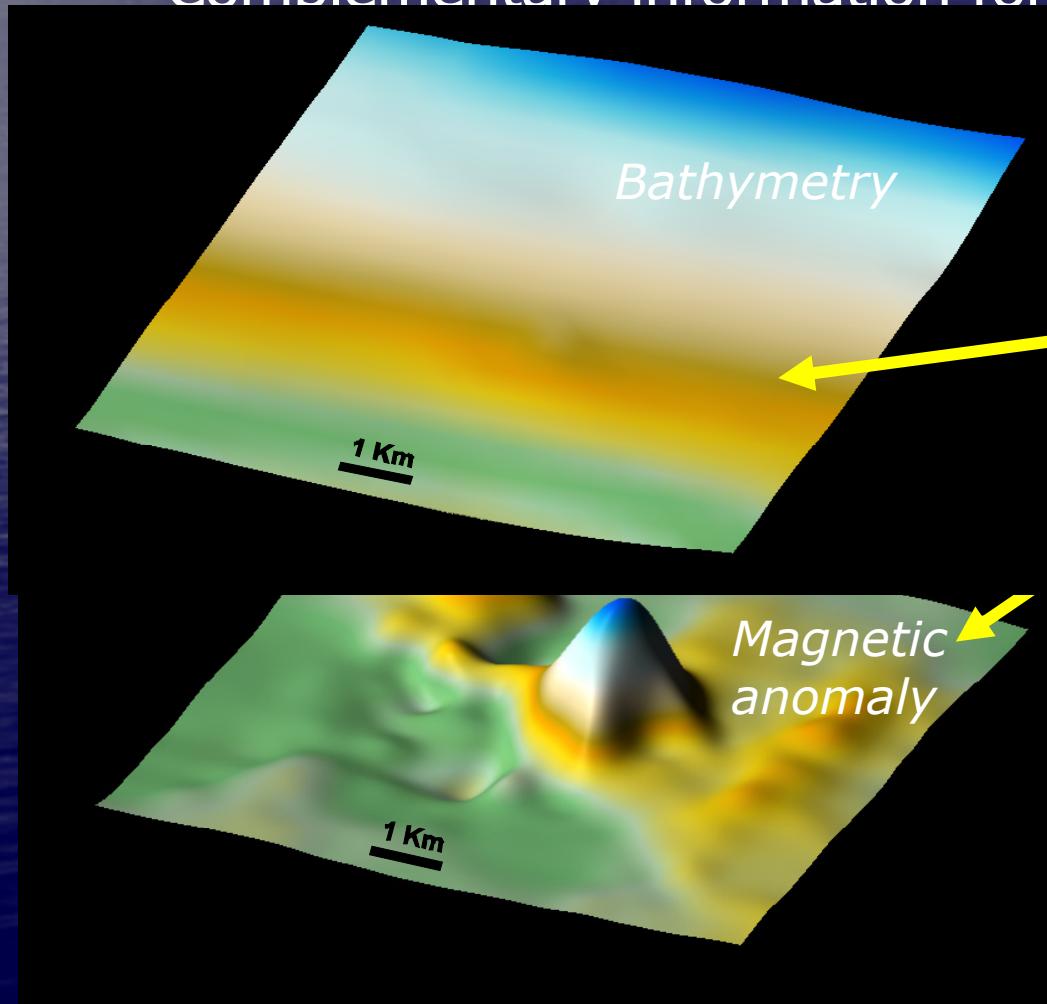
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## TAN/DVL Implementation



# Magnetic Navigation (MN)

- **Main motivation**
  - Complementary information for TAN



# Magnetic Navigation (MN)

- “Proof of concept”
  - Used by animals for long-range navigation



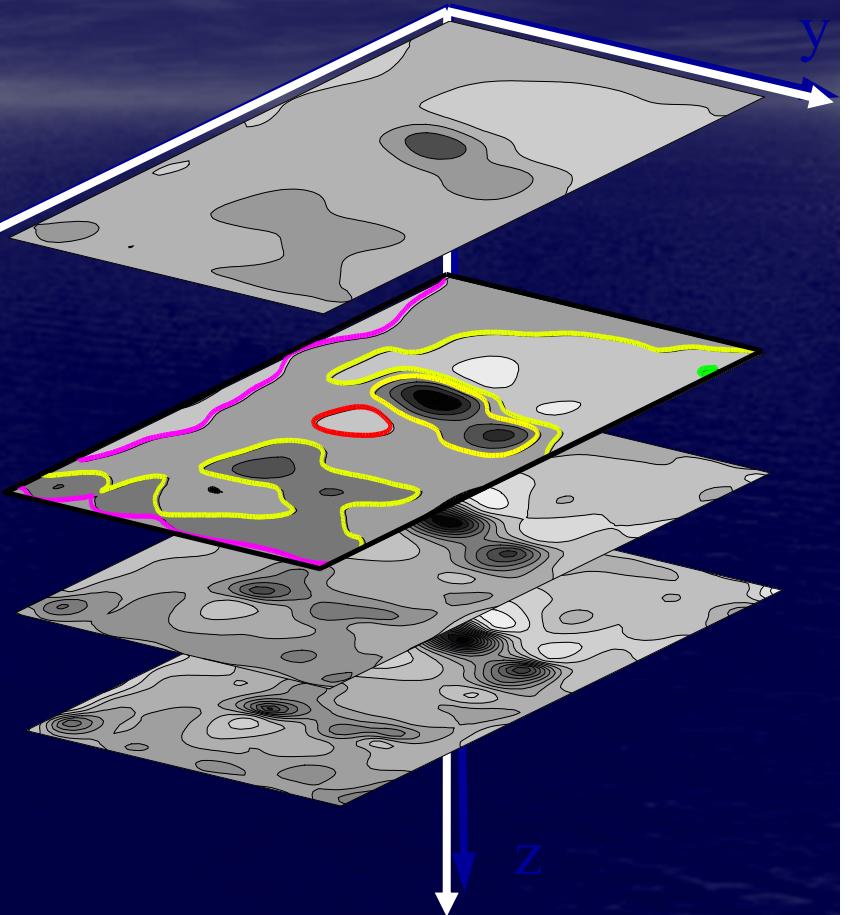
# Magnetic Navigation (MN)

## MN with prior magnetic maps

- Maps based on 2D grids do NOT apply to 3D MN
- Nonlinear scaling of magnetic features with distance

## Possible solution

- *Navigation at constant (absolute) altitude*
- *Use 2D maps for a given altitude*



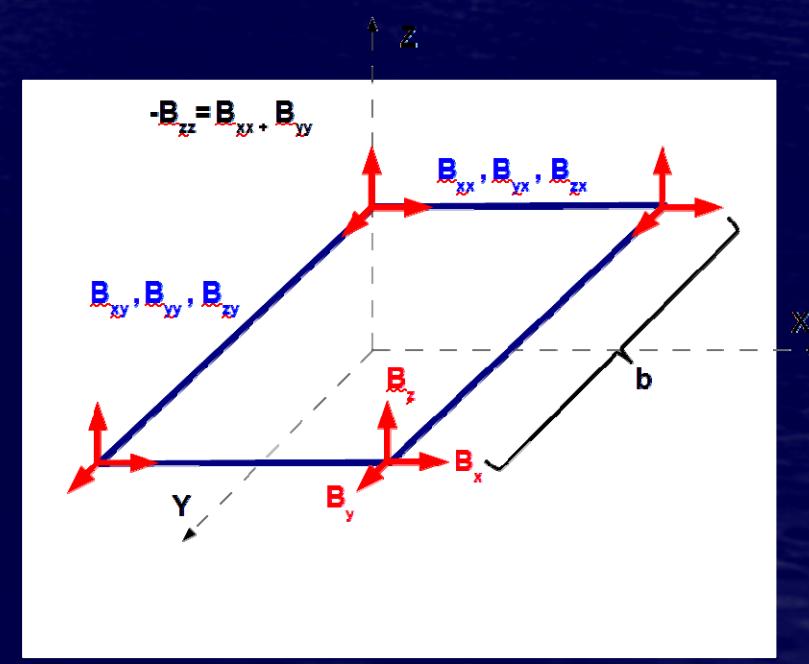
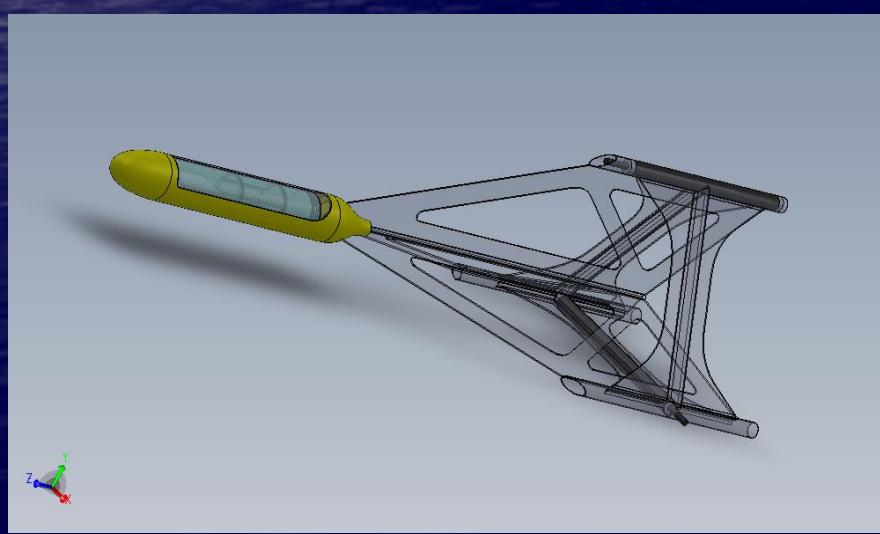
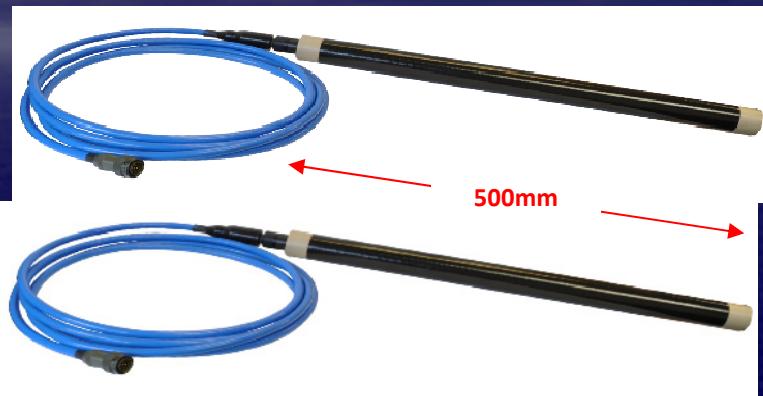
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The problem of ambient and vehicle noise suppression

- *Tow the magnetometer*
- *Use a mag. gradiometer*

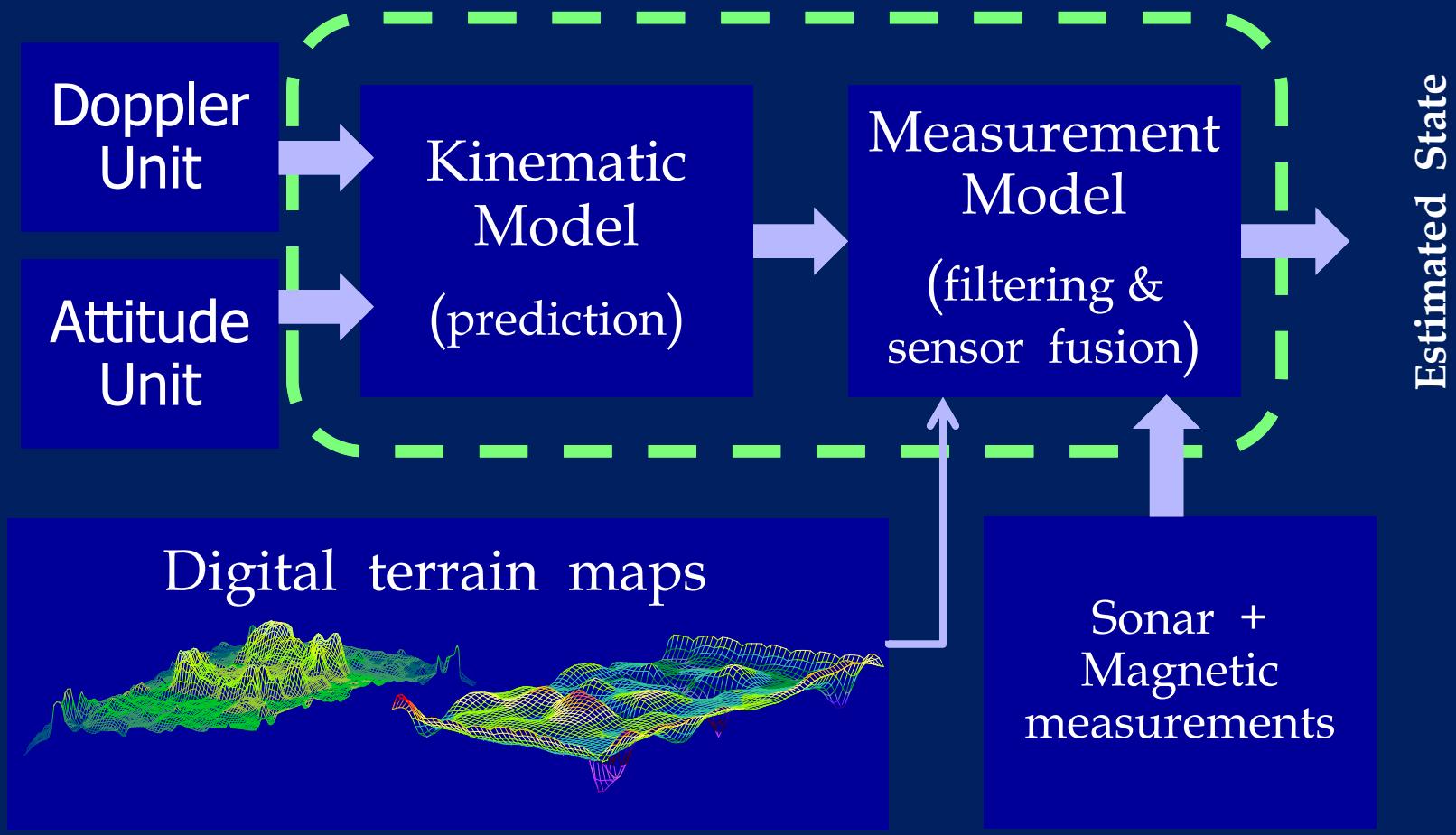
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- Sensors used (mags, gradiometers)

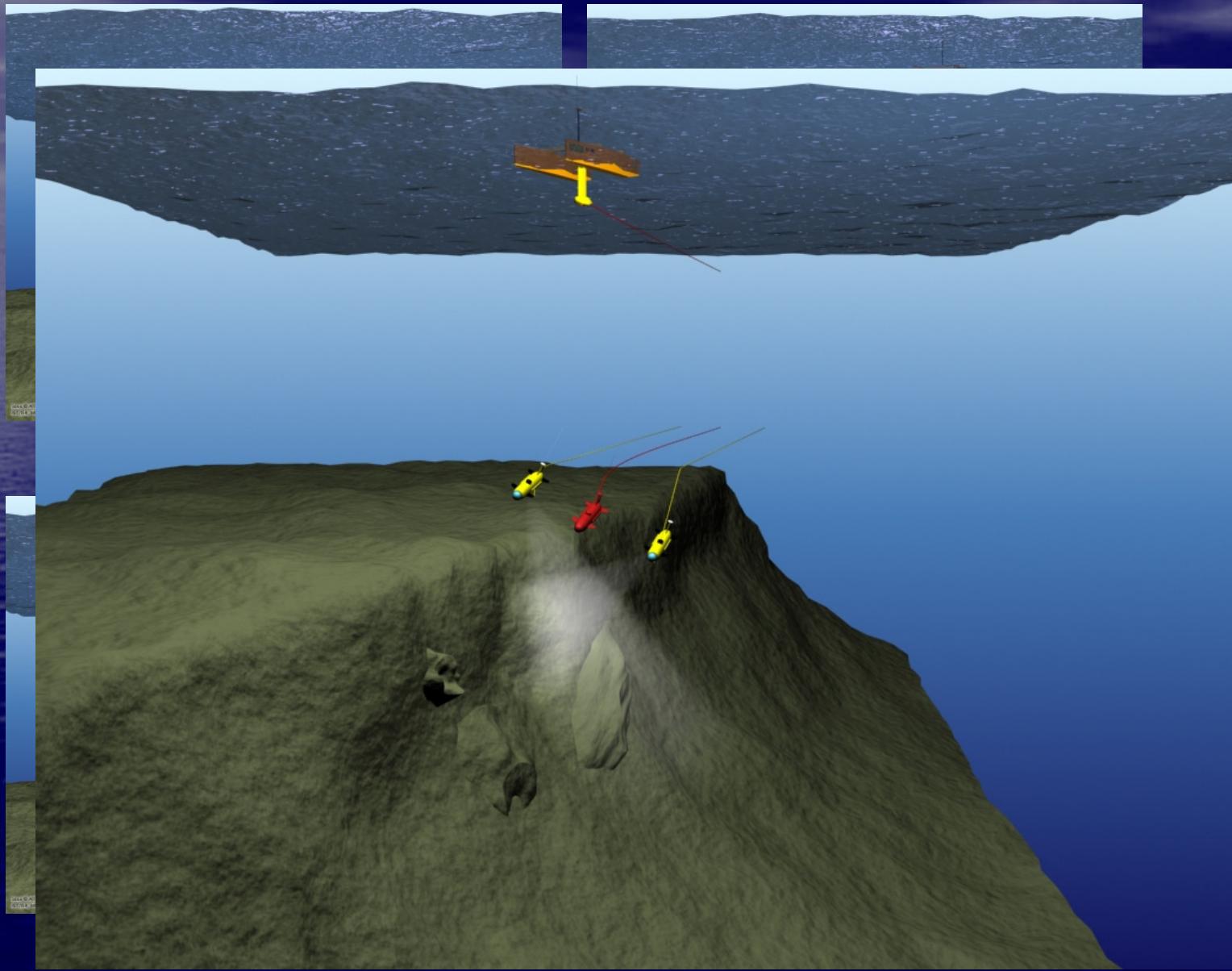


# Magnetic Navigation (MN)

*Integrating bathymetry and geomagnetics*



*The future: on-line reconfigurable vehicles*

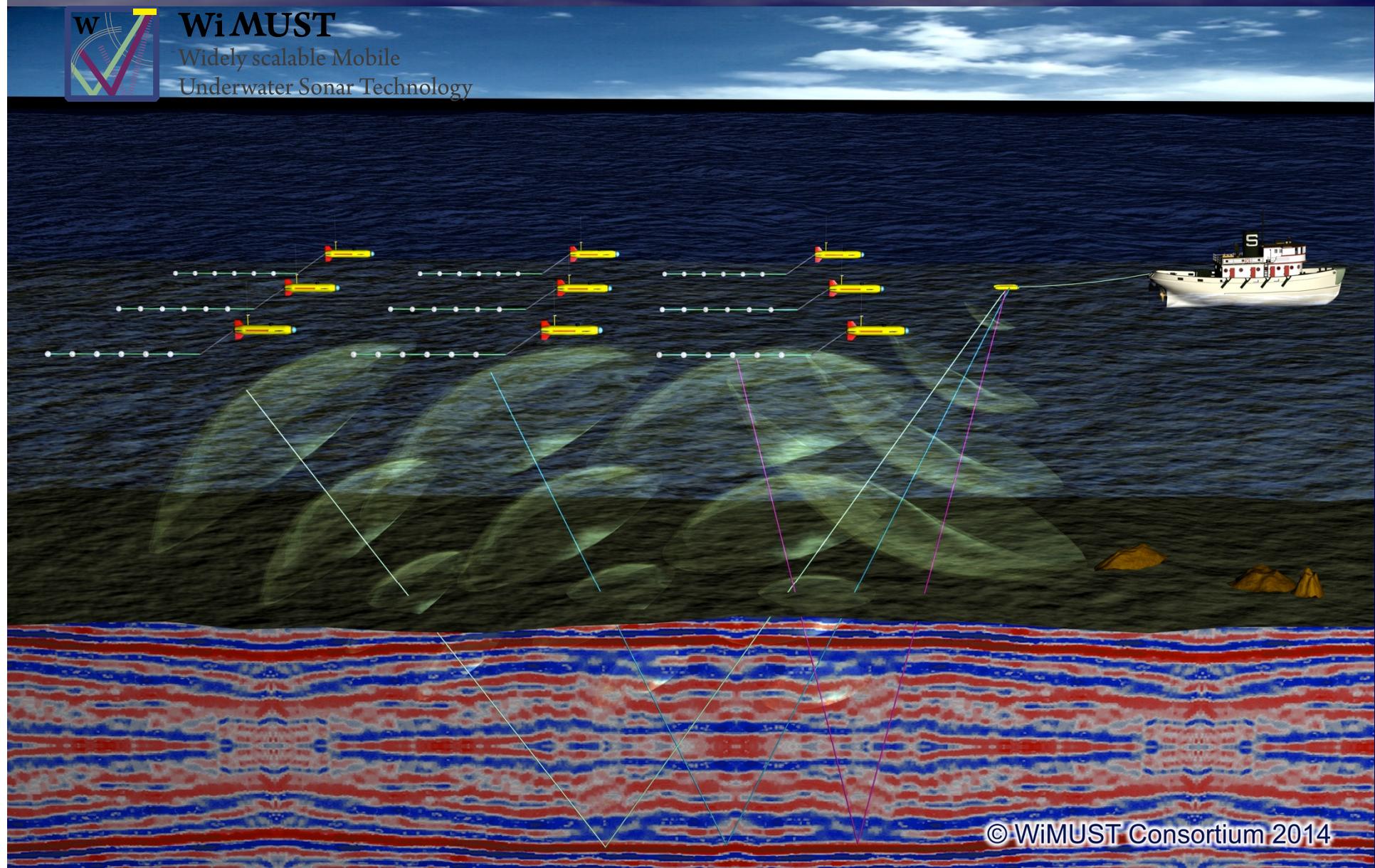


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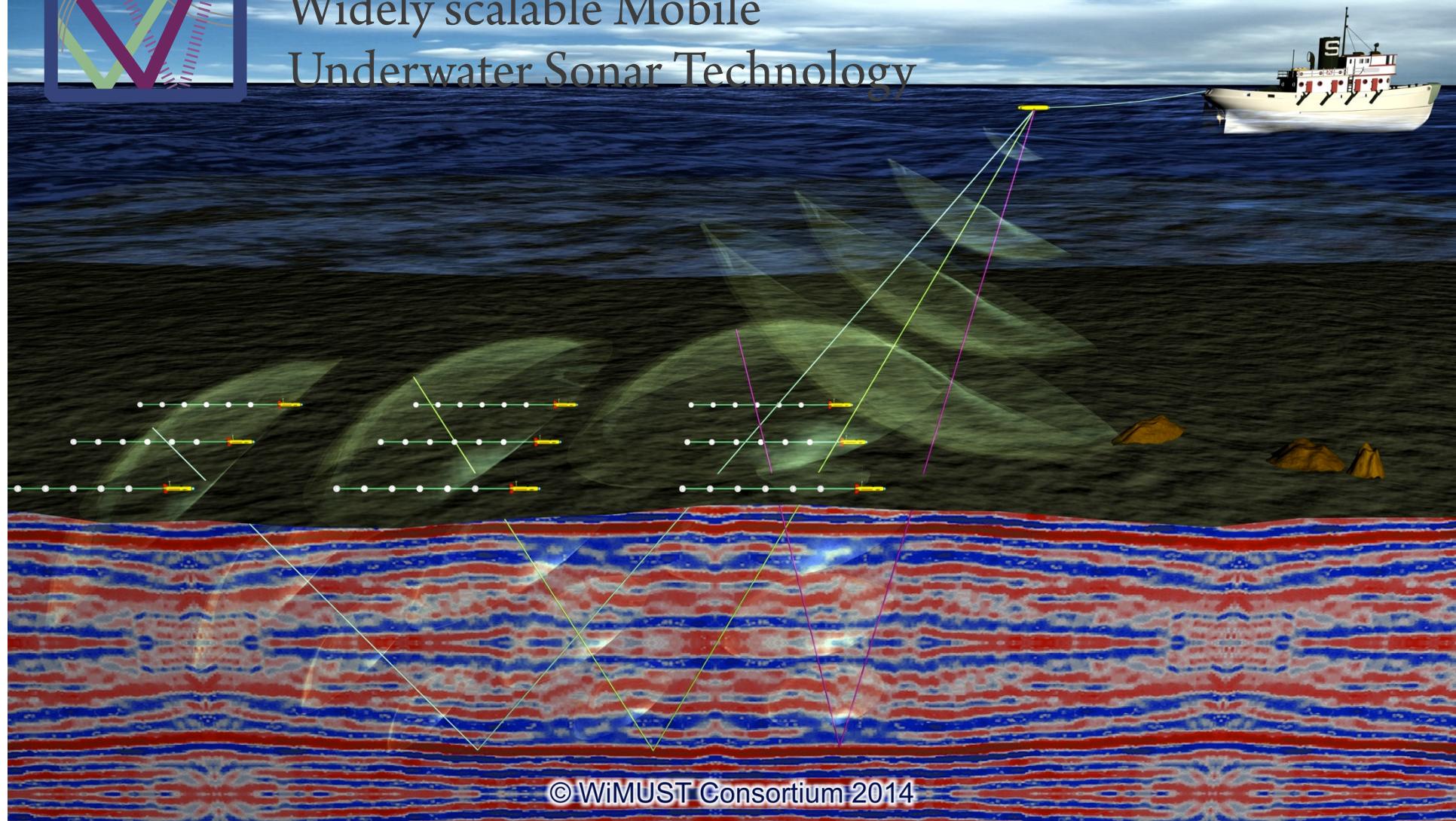
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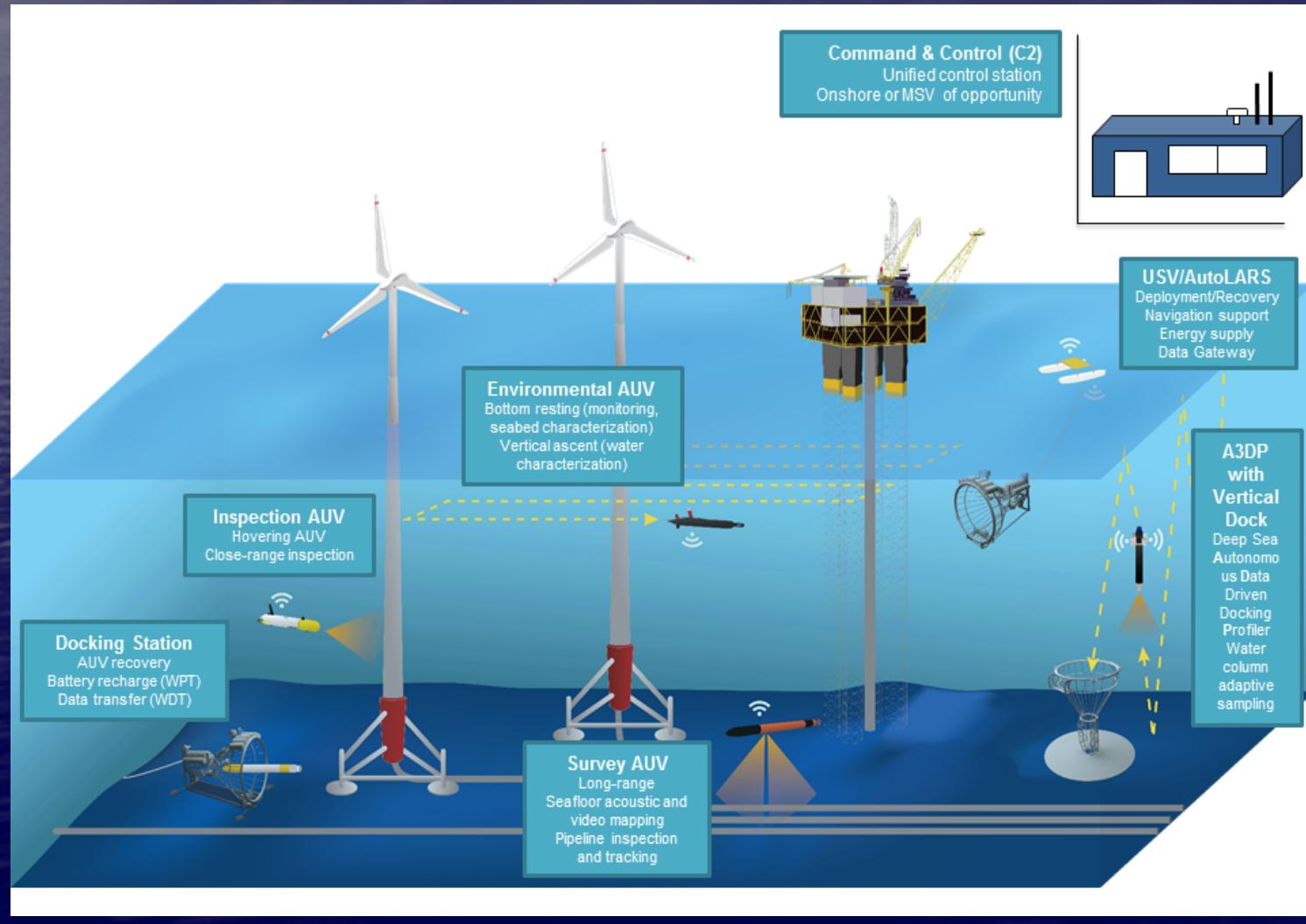
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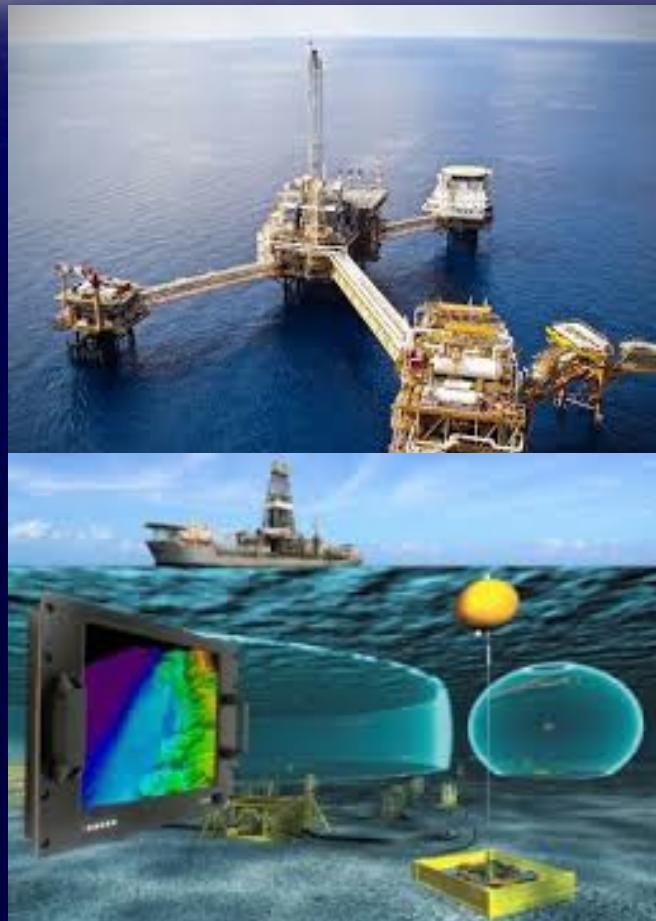
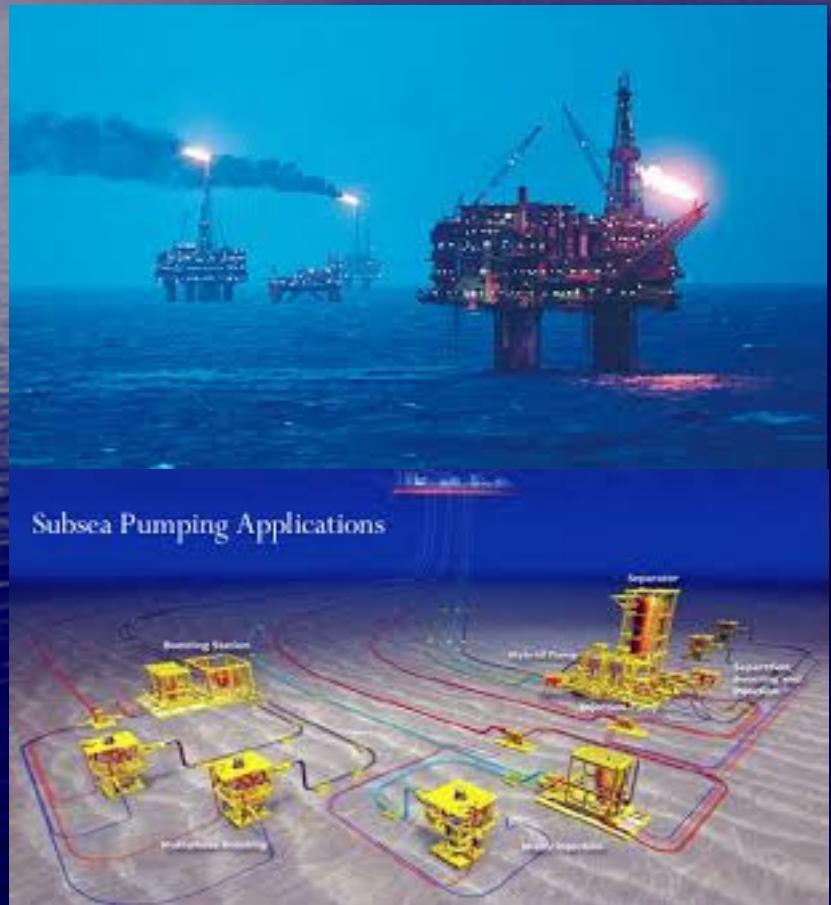
Sustained presence in the Ocean (an European collaborative effort – Horizon 2020 proposal, 2014)



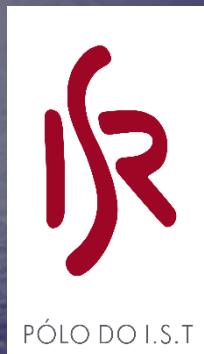
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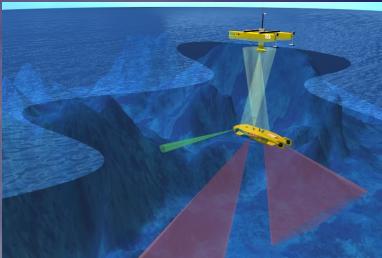
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