

Next Generation Undersea capabilities

Projection of Underwater Dominance

NG Visit

Breakout Session, NOC. 13:00-15:30 12th May 2016

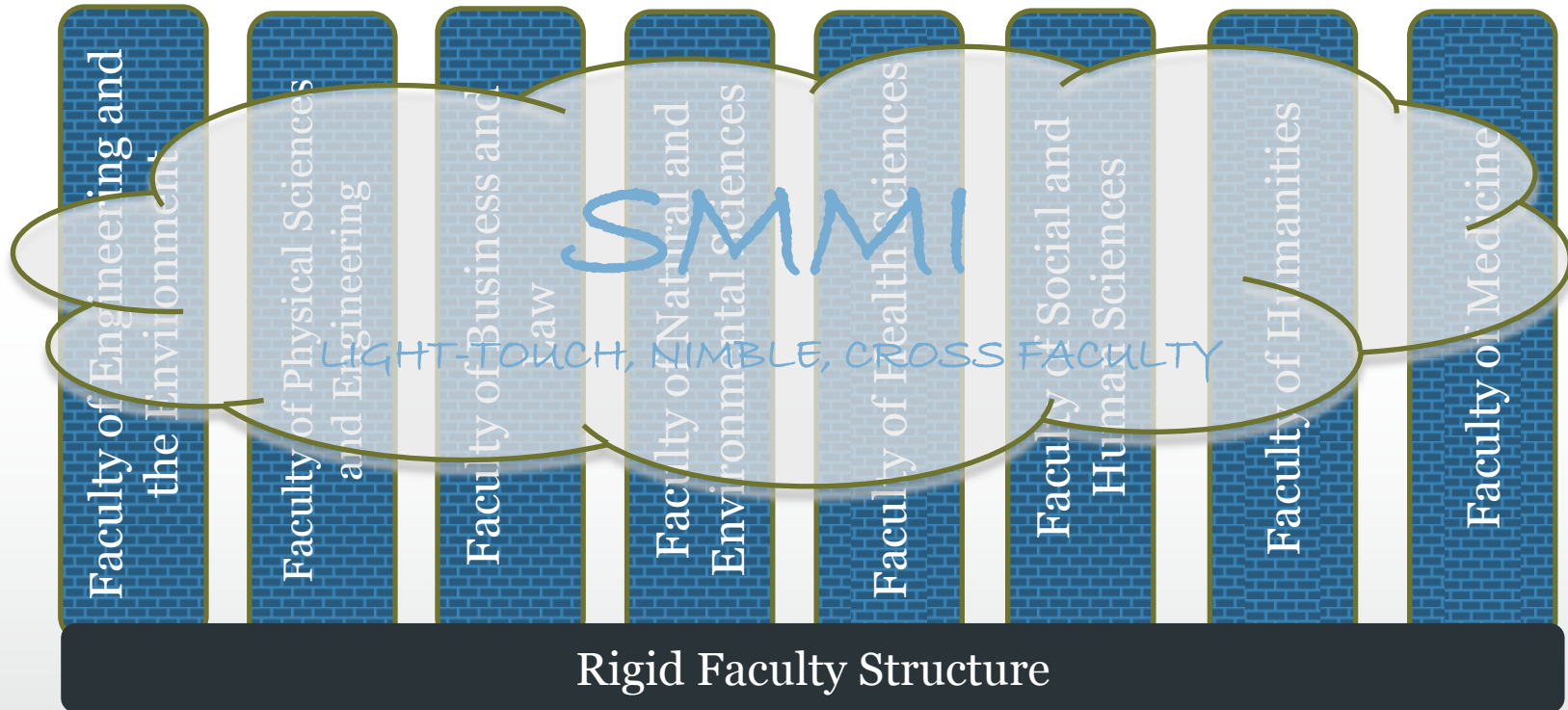
Prof S.R.Turnock

- Long history in marine and maritime research
- A wide-ranging collaborative community of scholars focussed on all aspects of the marine and maritime domain
- Academically strong students both at undergraduates, masters and doctoral level
- Engagement and impact with wide ranging external organisations from policy making through to leading scientific and industrial organisations
- In recent years has strengthened its ability to work collaboratively across disciplines

Southampton Marine and Maritime Institute

UNIVERSITY OF
Southampton

Evolved from bottom up through on-going collaborations between groups such as ship science, maritime law, oceanography, marine archaeology.
Strongly supported from its formation in 2012, with arrival of Lloyd's Register in Boldrewood Innovation Campus



350 academics and researchers

15-25% of research turnover from marine and maritime projects

≈20% REF Impact Case Studies

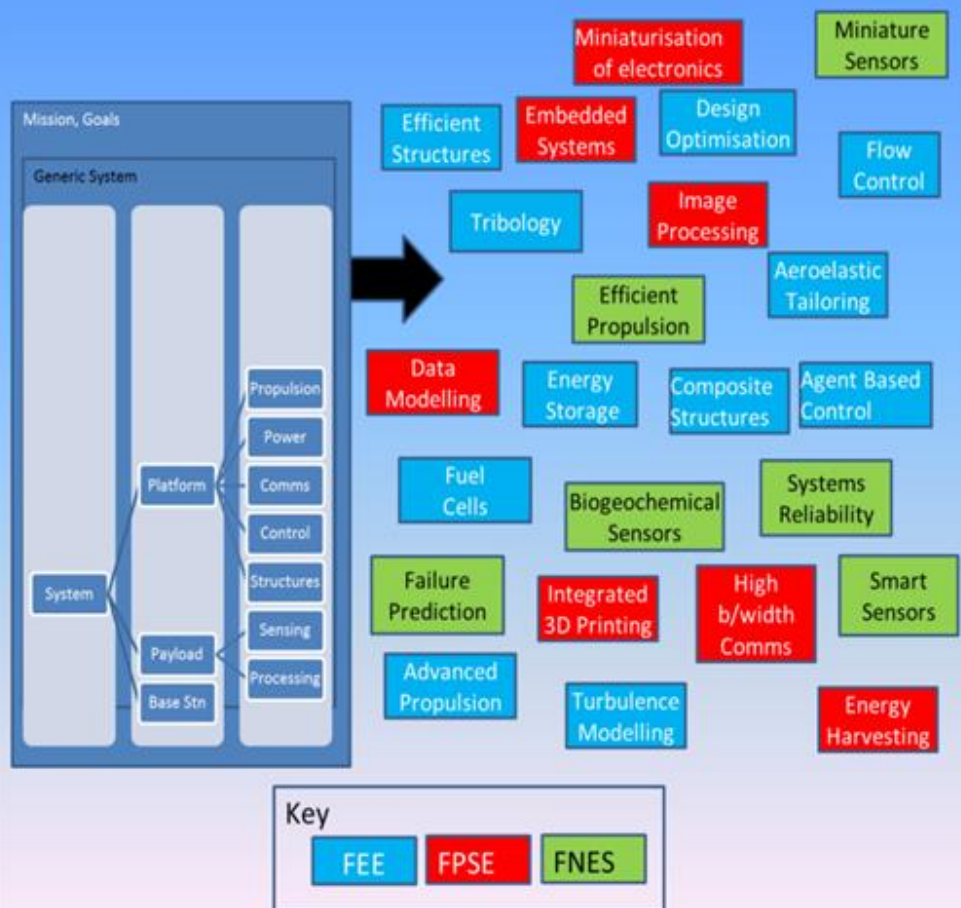
Autonomous Systems USRG

Existing Southampton Platform Research

Project: ASTRA (EPSRC) Application: Stratospheric science 	Project: Triangle (INDSRY) Application: Ship safety 	Project: Earth Science Dynamics Application: Glaciology 	Project: BERISUAS (EU) Application: Maritime safety 
Project: AETHER (INDSRY) Application: Security 	Project: Autosub (NERC) Application: Maritime exploration 	Project: SUJAVE (INDSRY) Application: Safety of UAVs 	Project: Aladdin (INDSRY) Application: Emergency Response 
Project: AGRIUAV (EPSRC) Application: Agriculture 	Project: Delphin Application: Maritime Search 	Project: Orchid (EPSRC) Application: Emergency Response 	Project: HALO (INDSRY) Application: Security 
Project: 25seas (EU) Application: Maritime protection 	Project: MARS Glider (NERC) Application: Maritime 	Project: MAVIS (EPSRC) Application: Atmospheric science 	Project: Autonomous ship Application: Transportation 

Project: HIATUS
Application: Green Transportation


Fundamental Science/Technology



GSNOCS-led NERC Doctoral Training Partnership UNIVERSITY OF Southampton

Policy and Researcher Development

- **Lloyd's Register**
- Health and Safety Executive Labs
- Brattle
- DECC
- **DEFRA**
- Science Media Centre
- Business Innovation and Skills
- **NERC**
- **House of Commons, Scrutiny Unit**

Industrial and Case Partners

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| - Aker Solutions | - Environ. Agency | - Natural England |
| - ABP mer | - Eon | - Neflex |
| - Anglo-American | - Forest Research | - Ordnance S'vey |
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| - BG | - GNS Science, NZ | - Shell |
| - BGS | - Kongsberg | - Stratex |
| - BP | - Lloyd's Register | - The Crown Est. |
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| | - National Inst'ments | - Vitacress |

Internationalisation

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Montpellier Geomar GFZ-Potsdam
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MARUM MIT MPIM Miami Michigan
NIWA Oslo Otago Princeton Scripps
SOEST Stockholm UCLA VUW
WHOI Yale**

SPITFIRE Southampton Partnership for Innovative Training of Future Investigators Researching the Environment

University of Southampton

- S'pton Marine and Maritime Institute
- Institute for Life Sciences
- Electronic Engineering
- Electronics and Computer Science
- Engineering and the Environment
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Centre for Biological Sciences
- Medicine
- Geography and Environment

Hosting and Training Partners

Graduate School of the National Oceanography Centre Southampton

Ocean and Earth Science, University of Southampton

National Oceanography Centre

BAS CEH MBA PML
Cefas HR Wallingford NHM SAHFOS

Doctoral Training Centres

Active DTCs

- Transport & Environ EPSRC
- Web Science EPSRC
- Energy Env. Resil. ESRC
- Complex Systems EPSRC
- Food Security BBSRC

Proposed EPSRC CDTs

- Autonomous Vehicle Systems
- Energy Storage & Utilisation
- HP Comp Simulation
- Sustain Infrastruct Systems
- Maritime Fluid Struct Interactions

University Institutes and Multidisciplinary Strategic Research Groups

Southampton Marine and Maritime Institute, Institute for Life Sciences, Southampton Statistical Sciences Research Institute (S3RI), Ageing & Lifelong Health, Complexity, Computationally Intensive Imaging, Digital Economy, Energy, Nanoscience, Population Health, Sustainability Science.

Understanding Maritime Futures UNIVERSITY OF Southampton

Leverhulme Trust Doctoral
Scholarship Programme – 2015-18

ENVIRONMENT

TECHNOLOGY

ECONOMY

CULTURE
& SOCIETY



The Leverhulme Trust

Prof. Damon Teagle – SMMI, Director of LTDS

Dr. Stephanie Jones – English, Hums

Dr. Fraser Sturt – Archaeology, Hums

Prof. Penny Temarel – FSI, FEE

Prof. Mikis Tsimplis – Inst. Maritime Law

Prof. Philip Wilson – FSI, FEE

NEXUSS - Next Generation Unmanned Systems Science

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Training the future leaders in Environmental Science

The Next Generation Unmanned Systems Science (NEXUSS) Centre for Doctoral Training is funded by the Natural & Environmental Research Council (NERC) and the Engineering & Physical Science Research Council (EPSRC) and led by the University of Southampton, in partnership with five other leading academic and research organisations (British Antarctic Survey, Heriot-Watt University, National Oceanography Centre, Scottish Association for Marine Science and University of East Anglia).

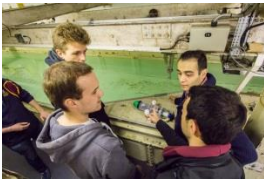


- Annual multi-platform “Grand-challenge”



SESS6072 Maritime Robotics

- One of only a very few Masters level modules world wide dedicated to equipping the next generation of engineers with the skills to design, build and operate underwater autonomous systems



£100
8 weeks

Marine Autonomy:

Low cost(disposable?) AUVs NG study

- Professor's Stephen Turnock, Damon Teagle, Philip Wilson, Jim Scanlan, Hywel Morgan, Mikis Tsimplis, Victor Humphrey, Neil White, Nick Jennings, Kirk Martinez
- Drs Nick Townsend, Richard Wills, Andras Sobester, Mario Brito, Shoufeng Yang. + others

Electronics and Computer Science, Maritime Law, Management, Maritime Robotics, Ocean and Earth Science, Computational Engineering and Design, IT Innovation, ...

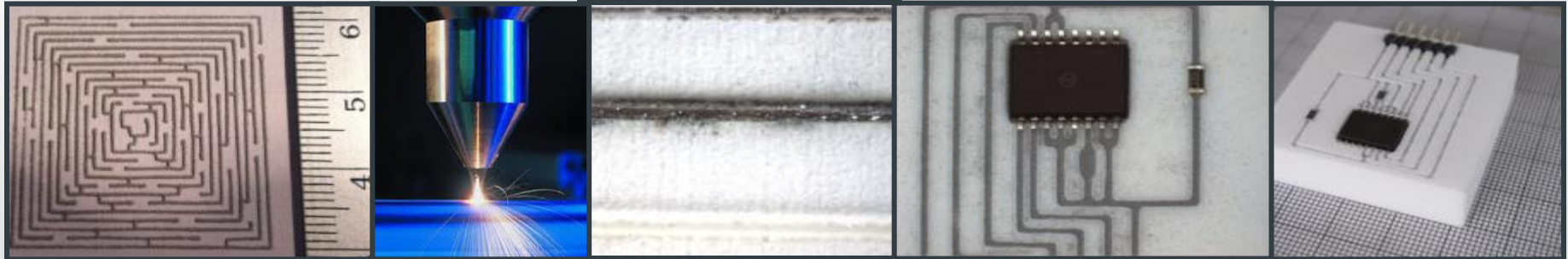
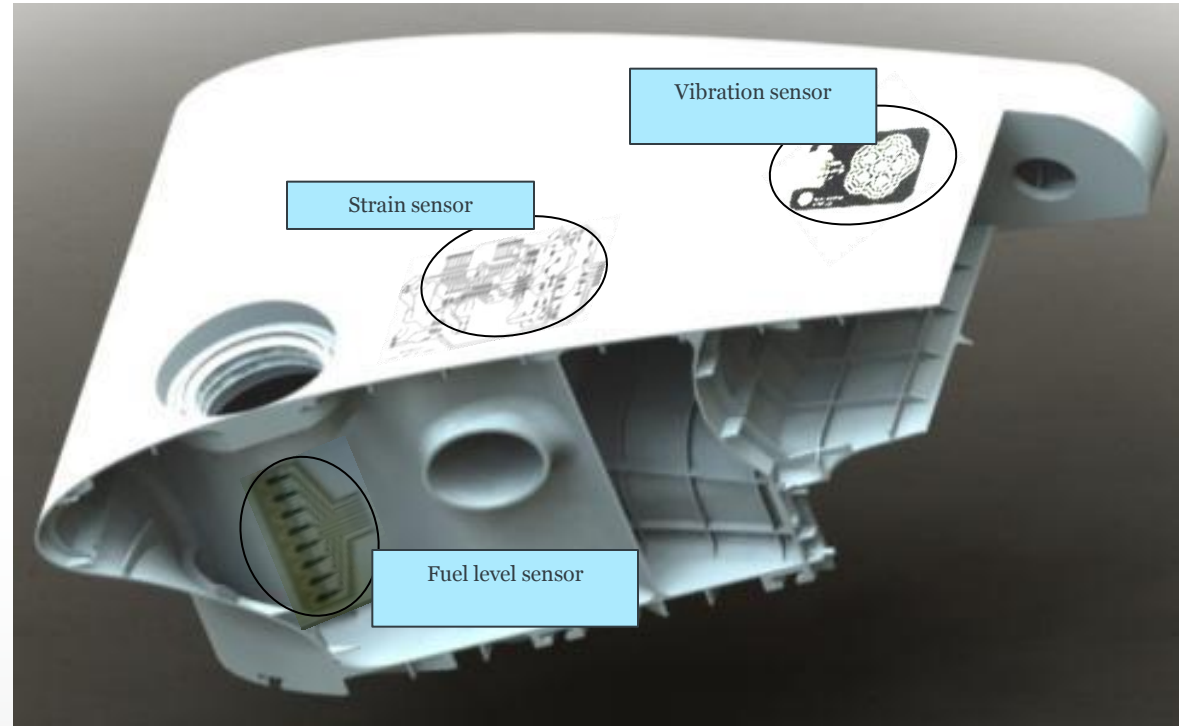
Consider the technology readiness of low cost, disruptive technology maritime robotic systems

Disruptive Technologies...

- Availability of consumer electronics and sensors
- 3D printing and related technologies
- Open source software
- Energy storage and environmental harvesting
- Cyber systems and Big Data

Structronics

- Print “systems” not just parts
- Multi-material printing
- Structures that contain wiring



Soft Robotics design concept

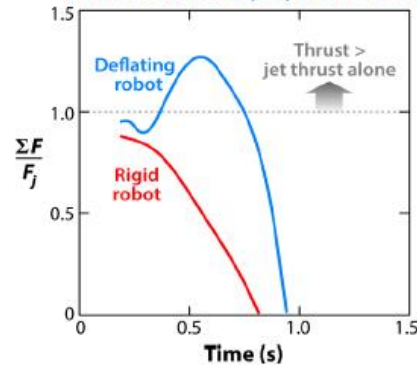
SOFT AQUATIC ROBOTS

New disruptive design concepts are needed for the automation of tasks currently precluded to commercial underwater robots. Soft robotics enables innovative vehicles which exploit unsteady hydrodynamic forces to increase their maneuverability and efficiency. Structural compliance inherently provides these robots with the capability to operate in close proximity with submerged structures and perform agile navigation in highly cluttered environments.

Soft-bodied, pulsed-jet propelled vehicles for enhanced underwater maneuverability and efficiency



Non-dimensional propulsive force



SHAPE-CHANGE THRUST ENHANCEMENT

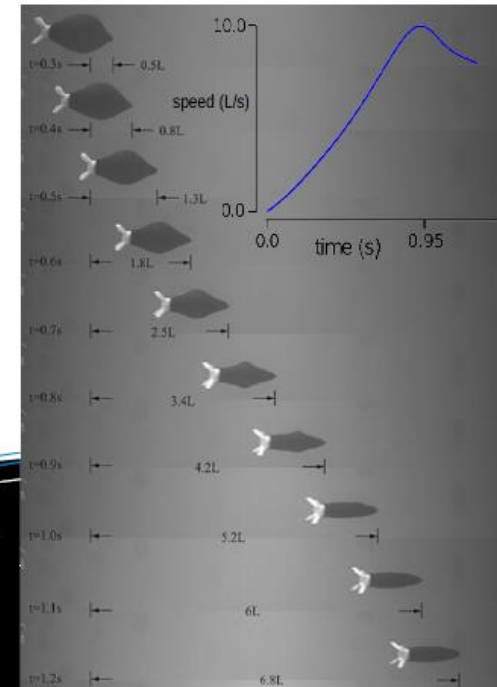
This kind of vehicles propel themselves by performing a routine of inflation and deflation during which they ingest and expel water. This produces a sequence of jets which thrust the vehicles forward.

Shape-variation effects can increase thrust as much as 30%, providing up to 130% acceleration and 200% speed compared to an equivalent fixed-shape vehicle (left hand side and bottom figure).

Optimal modulation of the flow features of the issuing jet provides an increase in average impulse as high as 42% compared to a continuous jet (see *Krueger and Gahrnb, Physics of Fluid, 2003*).

FIELDS OF APPLICATION

As opposed to standard ROVs and AUVs, the soft bodied robot we are developing can exploit its structural compliance and enhanced maneuverability to deal with otherwise unfeasible tasks such as performing inspection and sampling missions in cluttered and highly unstructured submerged environments. This will make this kind of vehicles suitable for marine operations such as those entailed with offshore engineering, maintenance of marine renewables energy harvesting plants, rescue operations, underwater mines countermeasures, port security and environmental monitoring.

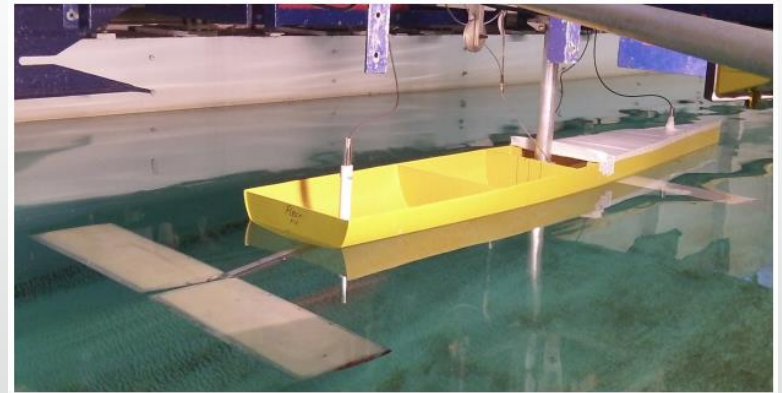
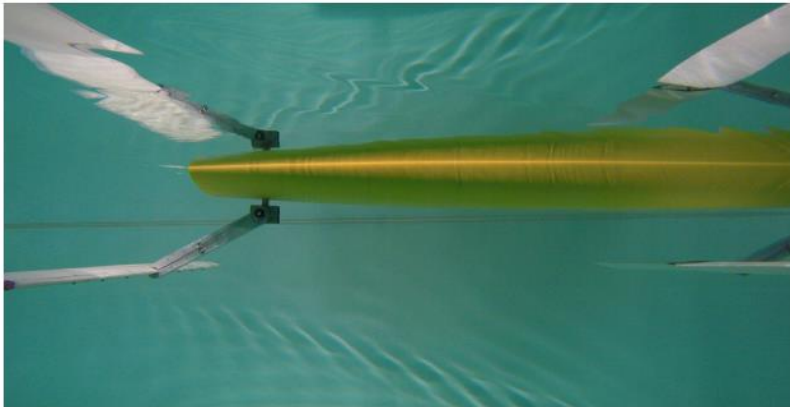
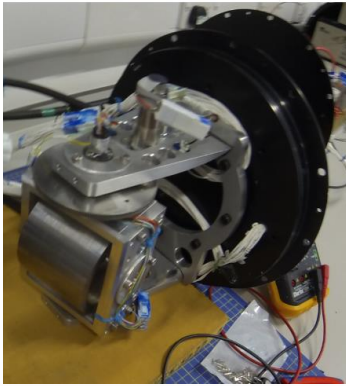


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for further information visit: <http://www.southampton.ac.uk/engineering/about/staff/gdw1d12.page>

Energy Scavenging...

- Gyroscopic systems for actuator less orientation, energy storage and capture from wave motions



From transport, energy and fishing to high growth marine sectors of seabed mining, aquaculture and offshore energy, emerging information ecosystems will transform utilisation and sustainability of ocean resources.

In [EXPOSURES](#), we demonstrate how on-demand autonomous underwater vehicles (AUVs) can drive intelligent data analytics to rapidly assess environmental processes and impacts in marine waterways. The result will be create new marine information ecosystem that exploits underwater IoT infrastructures such as those offered by the [European SUNRISE facility](#).



Low cost AUVs, information sharing and fusion the key to rapid insight

Oceans are challenging environments to construct and operate industrial assets. Foundations of offshore structures are vulnerable to localised scour whilst busy navigation channels are subject to ongoing sediment transport. Natural hazards are amplified by extreme weather events and the impact of climate change. Maintaining knowledge about the complex interplay between human activity and micro/macro ecological processes is essential for optimisation of periodic maintenance, response to crisis or extreme weather events, assessment of environment impact and license compliance.



Discussion - introductions

Challenges

- How to create a recognised underwater picture?
- Sensors, fusion, communication (below and above the water)
- Fusion, Visualisation Vehicles (Stealth / persistence)
- Platforms (from small to extra-large) / Multirole
- Processing / Navigation
- Power / energy / Propulsion
- Swarming / Artificial Intelligence
- Ease of deployment and recovery if required

Challenge – map, find, act

- Oceans – vast, complex, ever changing
- Physical challenges – pressure, salt, temperature
- Map changing space – how quickly, how accurately,
- Finding static or dynamic objects or features
- Actions, once found, what happens next and how quickly?

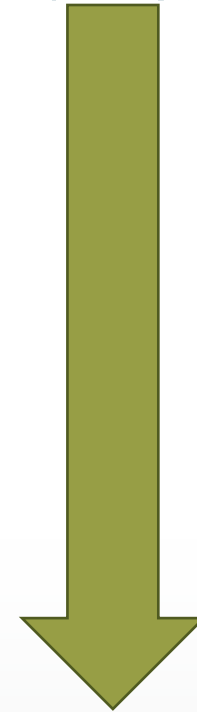
Scale of Vehicle

Mini <10kg

Small 10kg-100kg

Medium 100-1000kg

Large 1000kg+



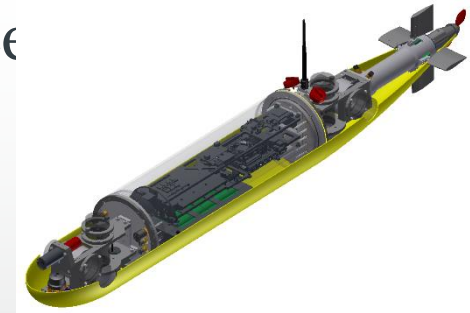
Mass, Cost, Range, Function, Development Time

- What is good enough for a particular task?
- Non-heterogeneous fleet of vehicles and systems that collaborate on adaptable tasks – how to communicate given limited data rate and range?

Groups activity

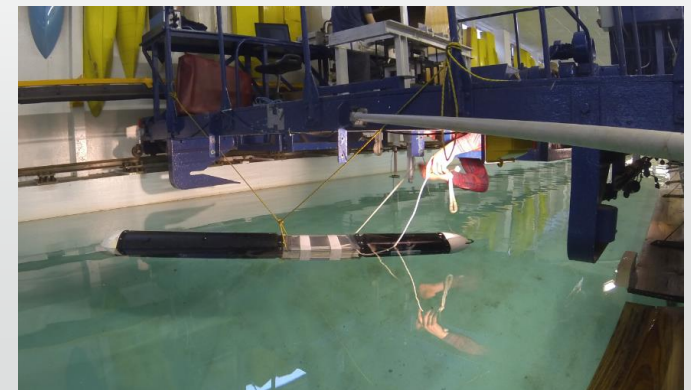
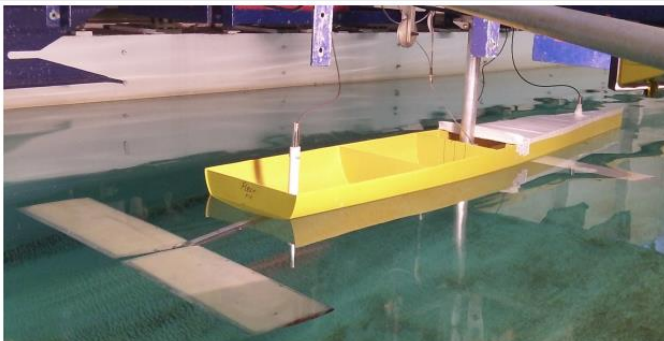
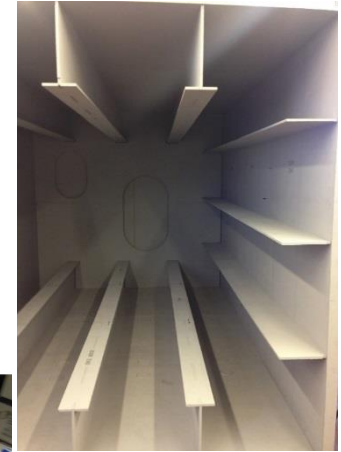
UNIVERSITY OF Maritime Robotics Laboratory **Southampton**

- 20+ years of activity
- Developed its own range of underwater and surface autonomous vessels
- 20 staff and phd students involved including close collaboration with Electronic & Computer Science, Ocean & Earth Sciences and National Oceanography Centre



Technology expertise

- Vehicle and systems design
- Energy management and harvesting
- Software design
- Hardware integration
- Control engineering
- Decision making
- Inspection tasks



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DEVELOPMENT OF DEEP OCEAN (5000M)

multi-mission autonomous gliders

Deep sea glider services for monitoring and offshore industries:
expanding its sensing capabilities by service-oriented sensing
packages.

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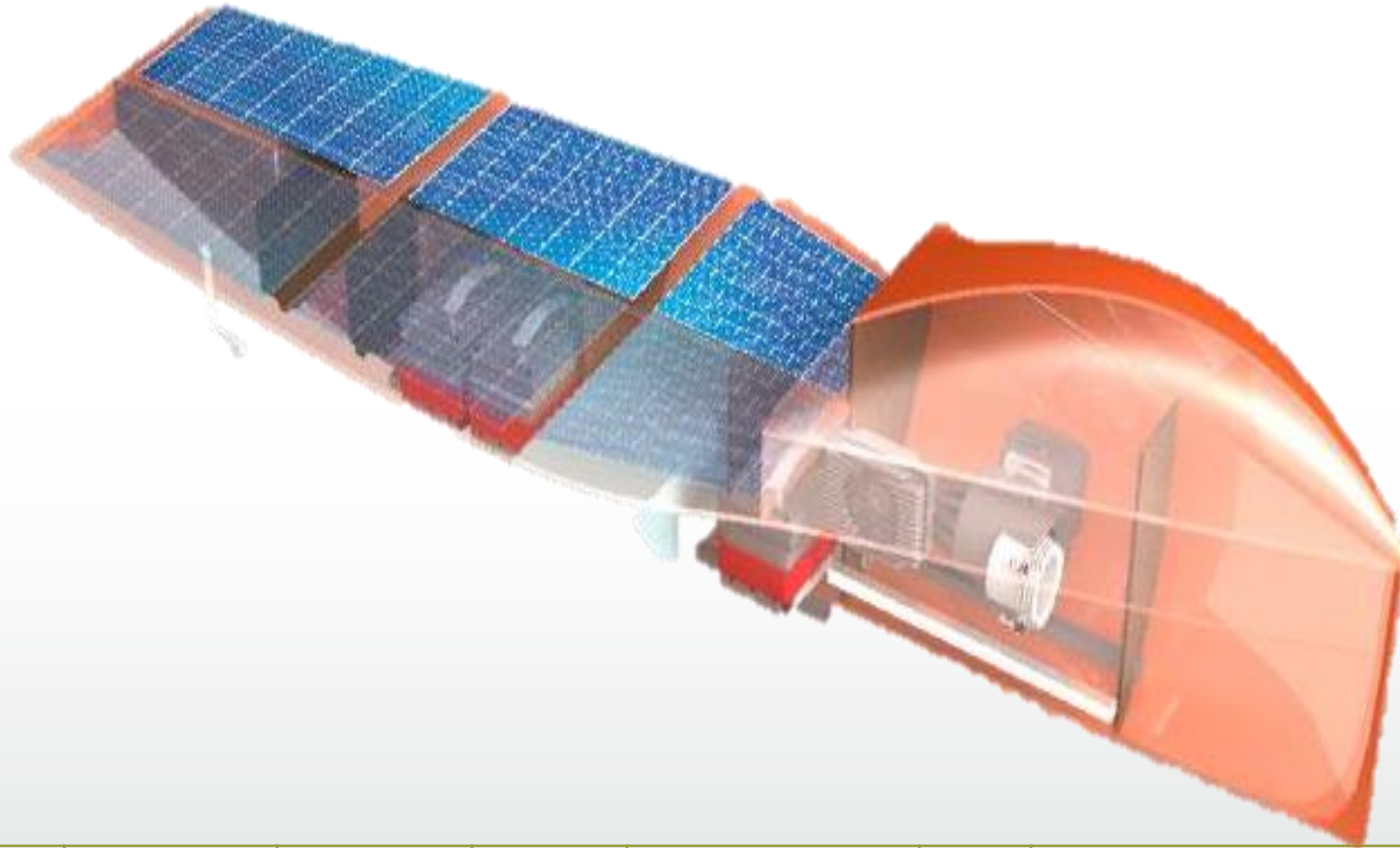
Transatlantic Autonomous Surface Vessel



Aim to design an Autonomous Surface Vessel
capable of crossing the Atlantic Ocean.

Group Design Project 2014/15
and 2015/2016

Final Hull Design



Length, m	Max Beam, m	Draught, m	Fn	Displacement, kg	Cb	Total Surface Area, m ²	Solar panel area, m ²
3m	0.95m	0.21m	0.28	155	0.4	5.54	1.5

Phase 1 complete May 2015

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Systems and Control Research

From Algorithms to Experimental
Benchmarking to Applications

27 October 2015

Our Academic Staff

- Bing Chu
- Chris Freeman (EEE research group)
- Mark French
- Paul Lewin (EEE research group)
- Paolo Rapisarda
- Eric Rogers

Our Research Interests: Theory

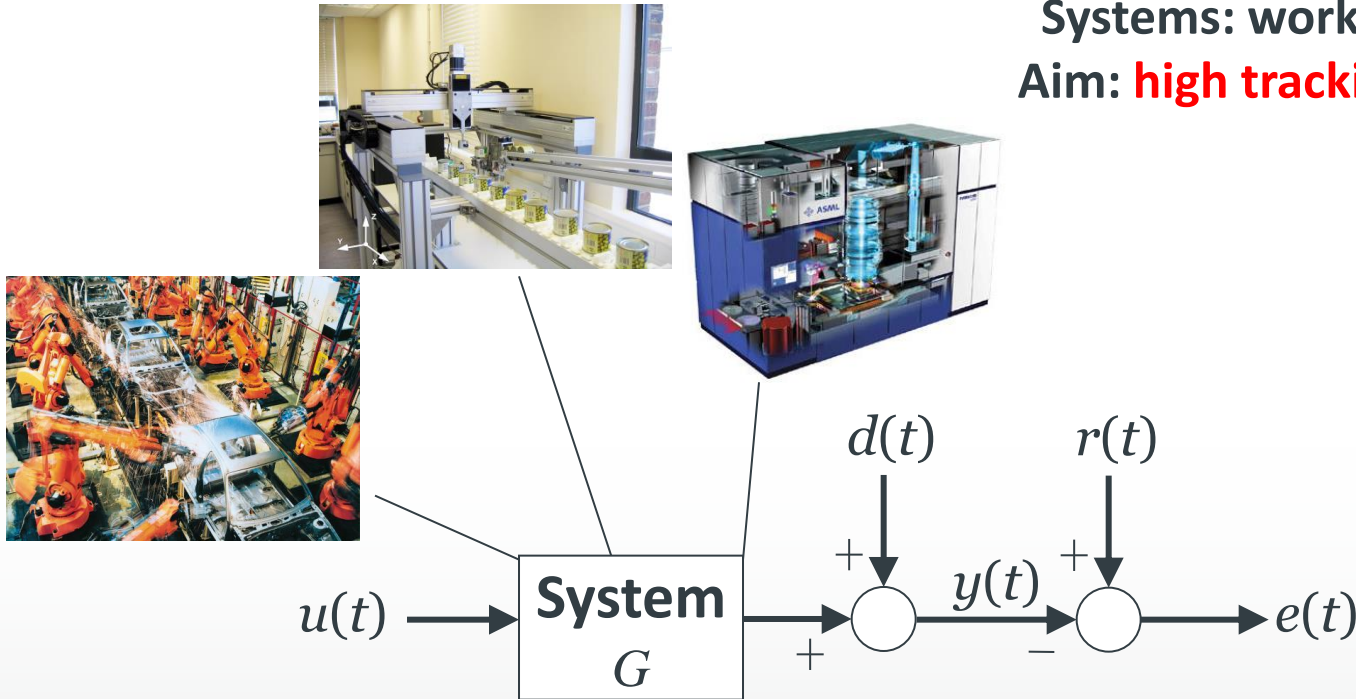
- Nonlinear adaptive and robust control
- Iterative learning control/Repetitive control
- Multidimensional systems
- Switched systems
- Model predictive control
- Behavioural systems theory
- Networked systems
- Data-driven control

Our Research Interests: Applications

- Experimental benchmarking on in house testbeds
- Next generation healthcare
- Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (AUVs)
- Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)
- Atomic force microscopes
- Electrical machines and drives
- Energy and sustainability

Iterative Learning Control

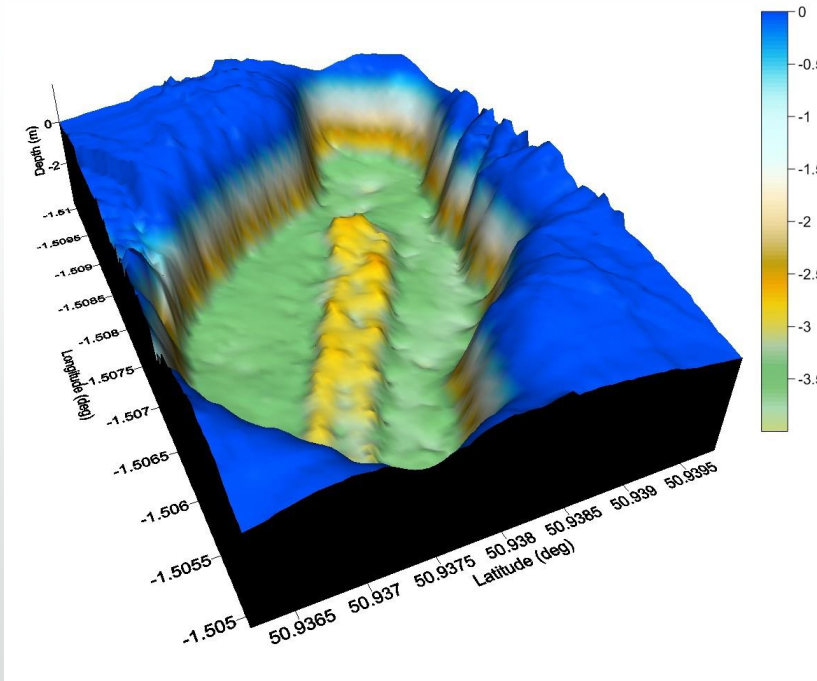
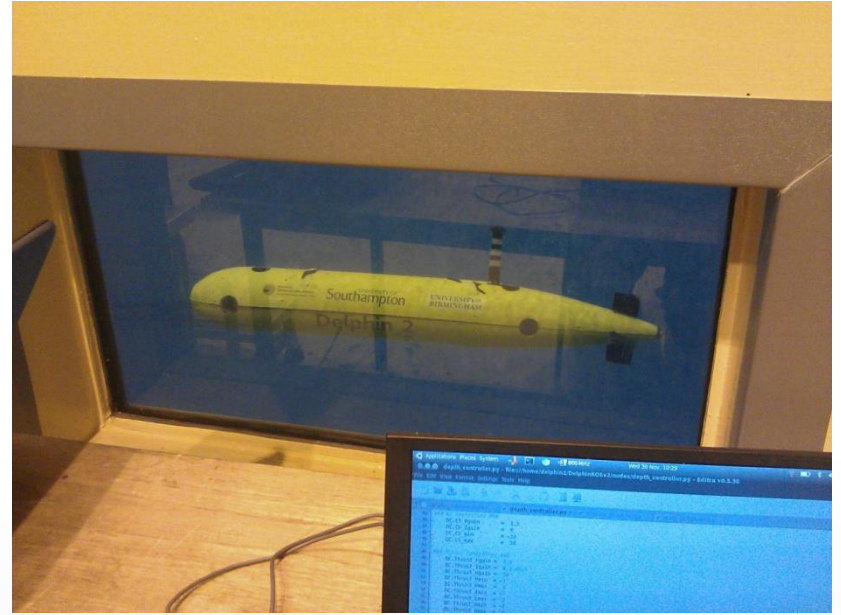
Systems: working **repetitively**
Aim: **high tracking performance**



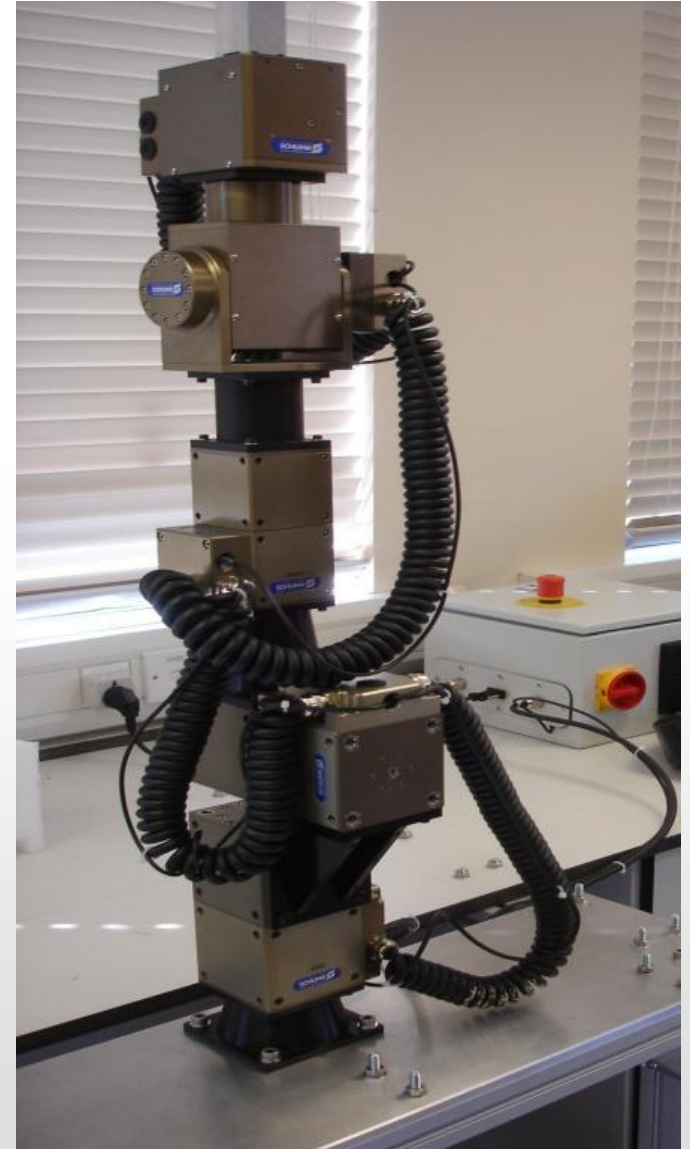
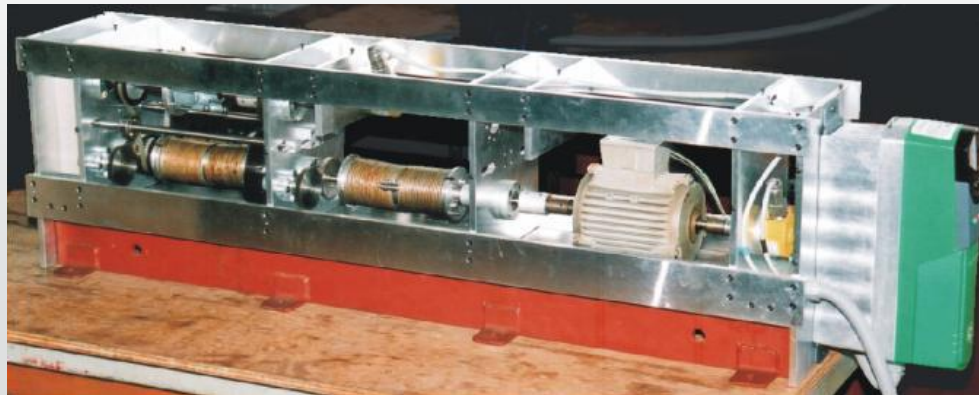
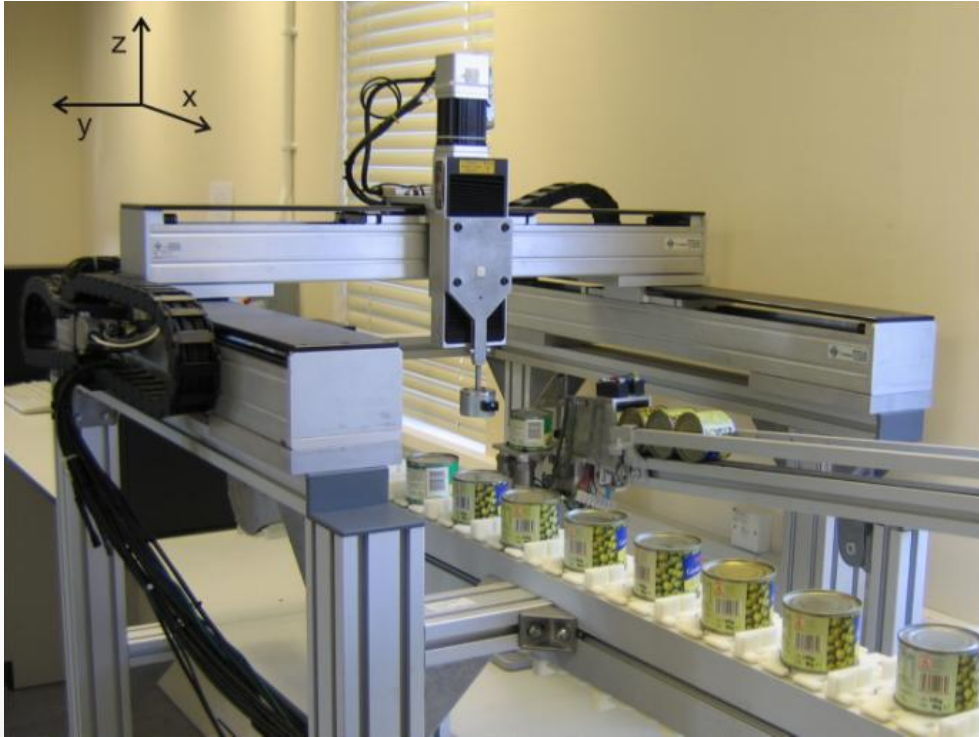
Main Idea of ILC: learn from the past, proceed, get better

Theoretical development and practical applications of ILC

AUVs and UAVs



Robotics



Big Data Research for Critical Decision-Support

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de facto Big Data Processing Technologies (unstructured, semi-structured

and structured data, NoSQL, Hadoop, Storm ...)

Heterogeneous Data Sources low level aggregation

- ✓ open/ proprietary data, harmonisation/alignments, semantic conflicts removal, a-synchronicities, multi-modalities, enrichment
- ✓ OGC Sensor Web Enablement standards 2.0

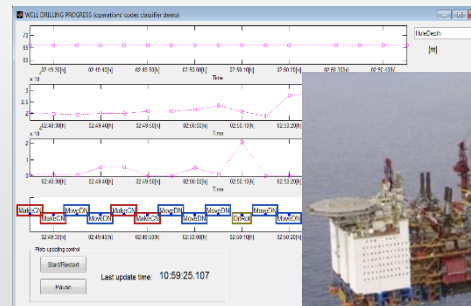
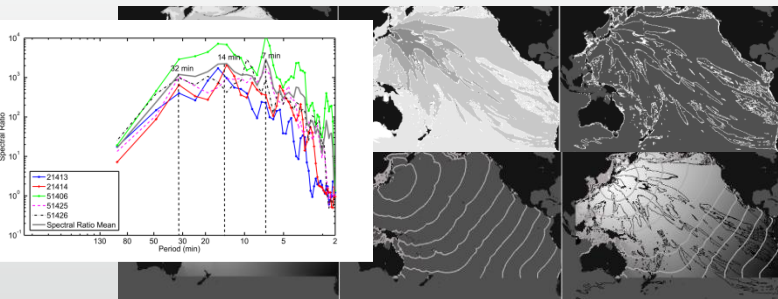
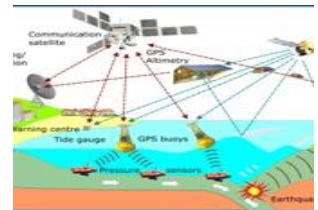
Observation Data Mining and distributed Machine learning

Strategic Data Fusion Framework (JDL level 0, 1, 2, 3 with context ontology modelling and reasoning)

Critical Operations: 1) *Tsunami Warning systems, intelligent detection of tsunamigenic signals;* 2) *Offshore industrial operations with advanced situation awareness, reporting and early detection of critical events*

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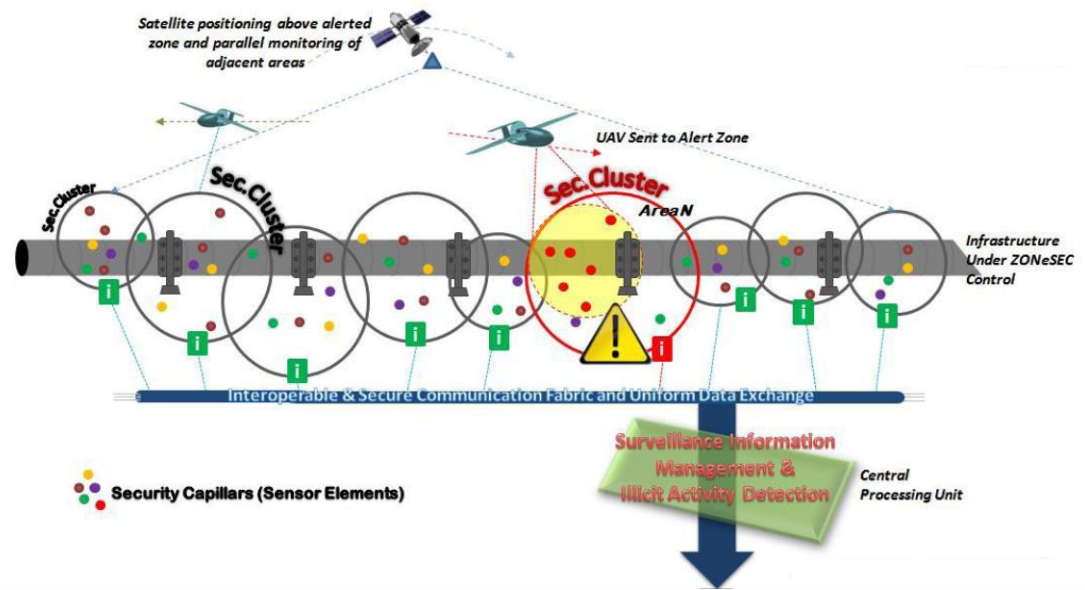
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(For more details see www.tridec-eu.com; 2010-2013)

BIG Data Research(2)**24/7 surveillance system for the security of Wide Zones of high economic importance**

- ✓ Intelligent fusion of in situ and remote sensing data for the critical surveillance of large spatial areas of transnational gas pipelines in European waters (and inland zones)
- ✓ Deployment of secure and interoperable observation data and information management services using standards
- ✓ Deployment of deep learning classifiers for the detection of unusual operation events which may occur at the Wide Zone
- ✓ Semantically enriched domain knowledge representations are stored in a KB for supporting high level data fusion and reasoning with reduced uncertainties and false alerts



The deployed services for BIG Data intelligent processing are part of our so-called SDAIM Knowledge Base (KB) in our ZoneSEC project: **Surveillance, Detection and Alerts Information Management (SDAIM) Knowledge Base.**

(For more details see www.zonesec.eu ; 2014-2018)

Thank you.

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