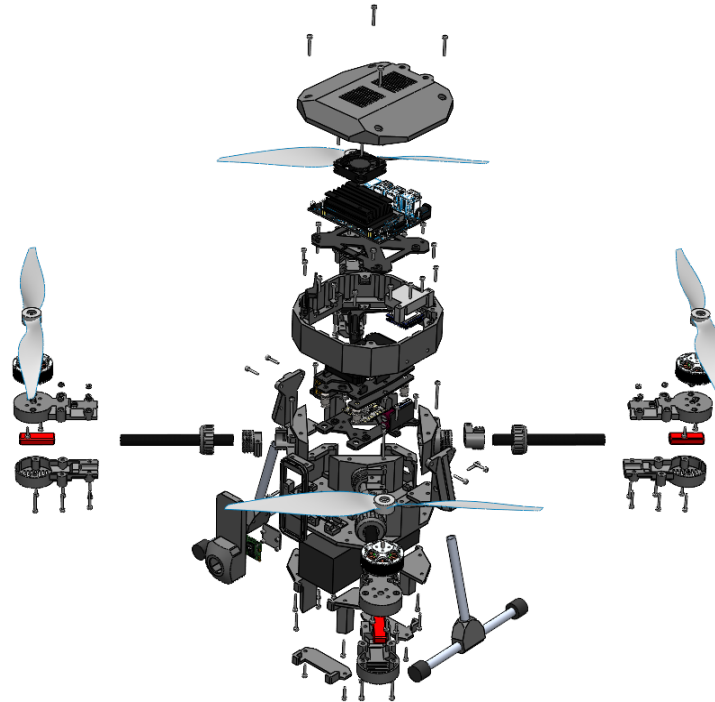


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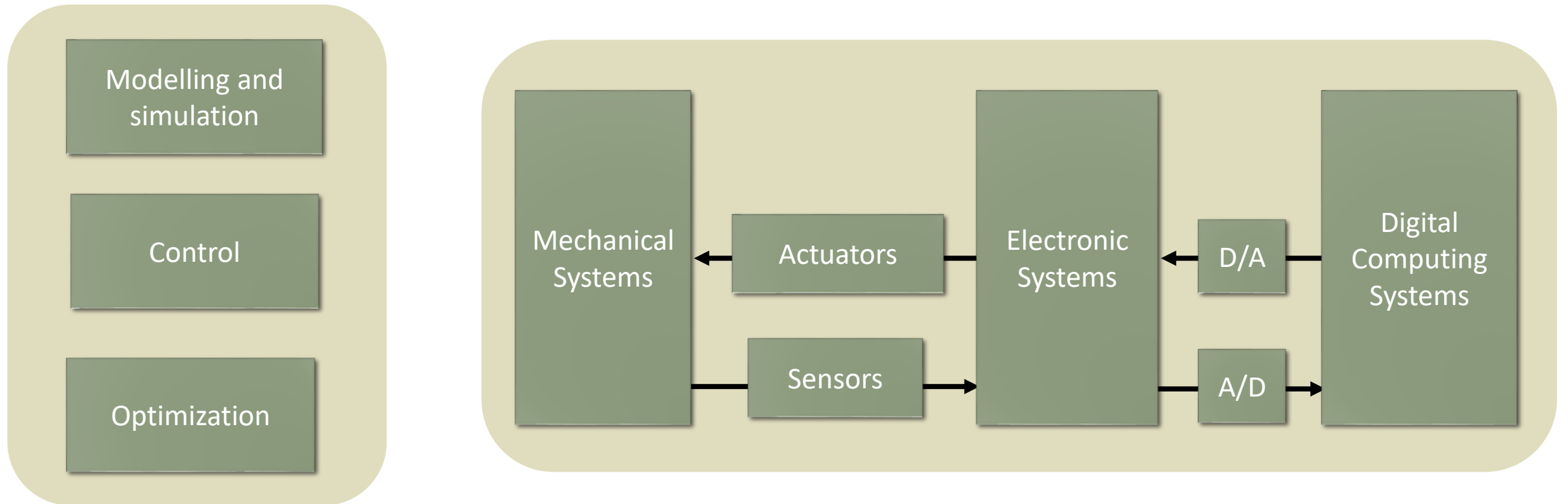
## Basics of mechatronic systems

- Mechanical elements
  - System components and components requiring control
- Sensors
  - Perception of the state of mechanisms and environment
- Actuators
  - Movement and control of mechanisms
- Digital Computing Systems
  - Implementation of reasoning actions

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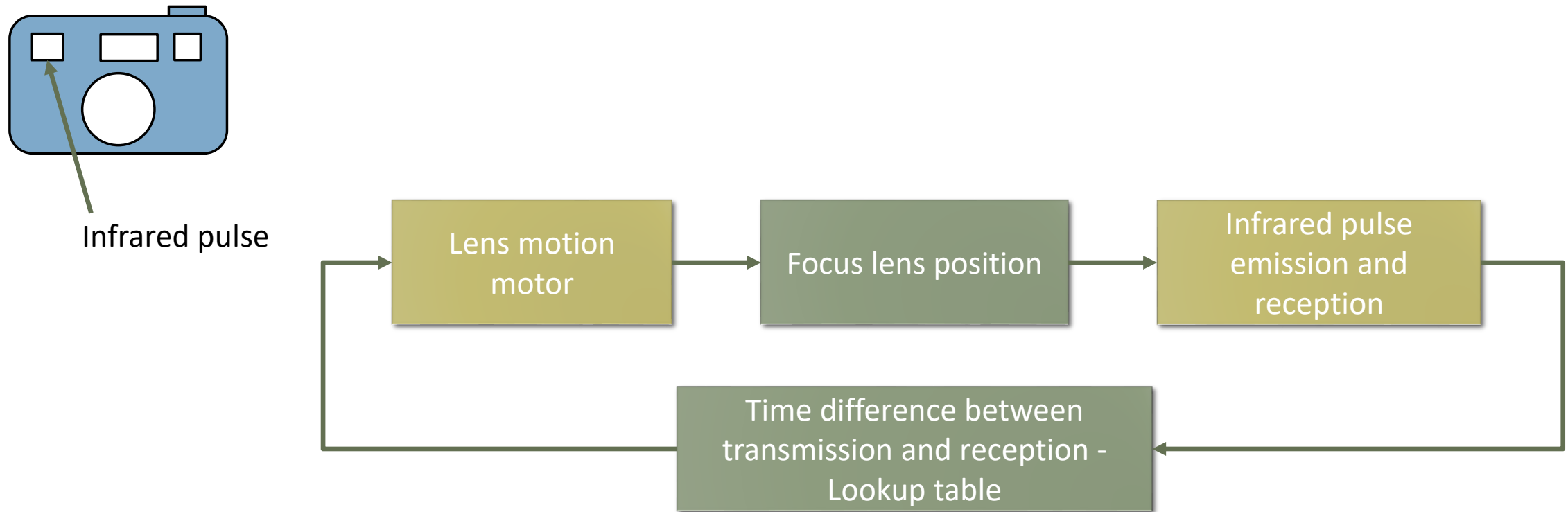
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## A Simple Example of a Mechatronic System

Digital camera with autofocus



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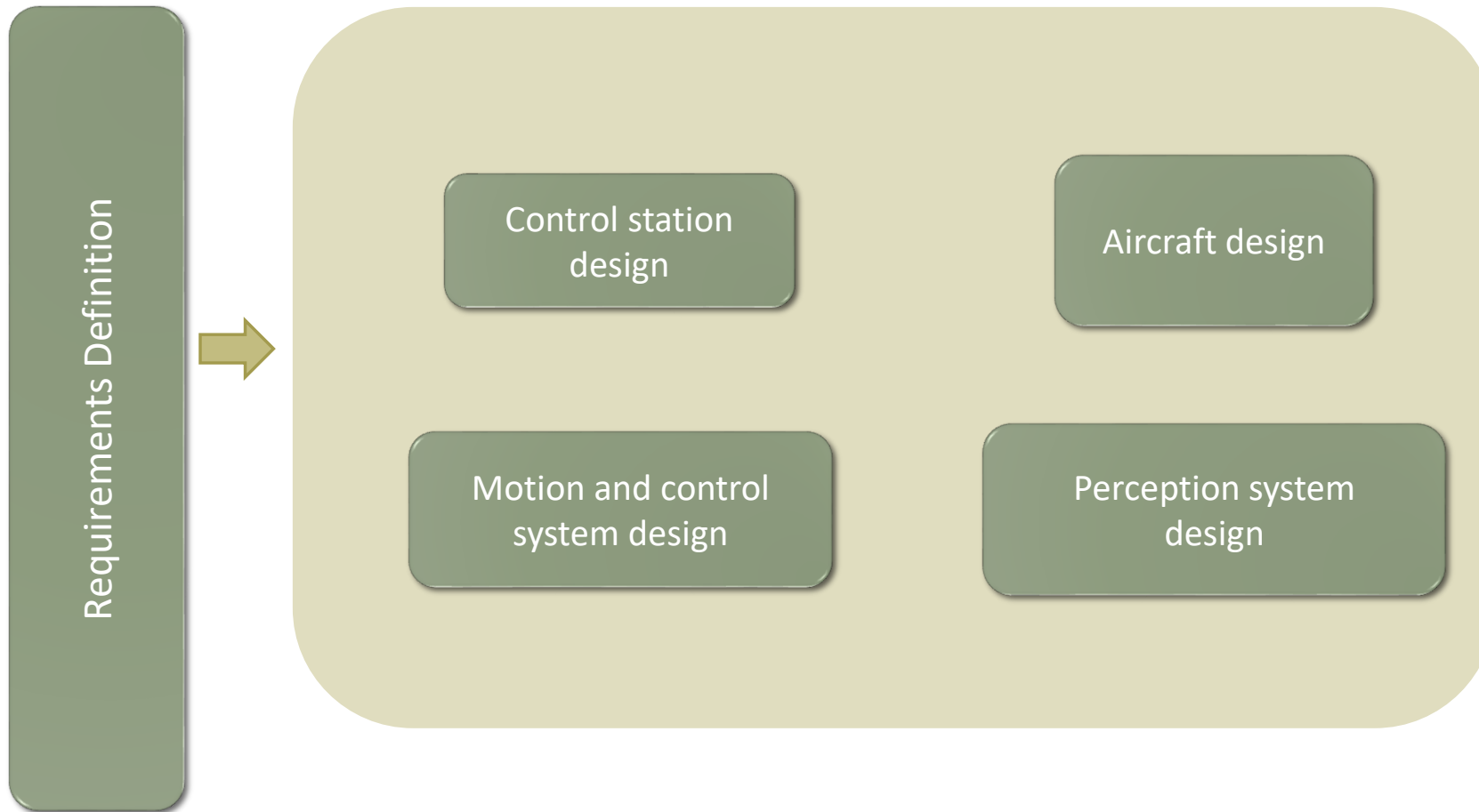
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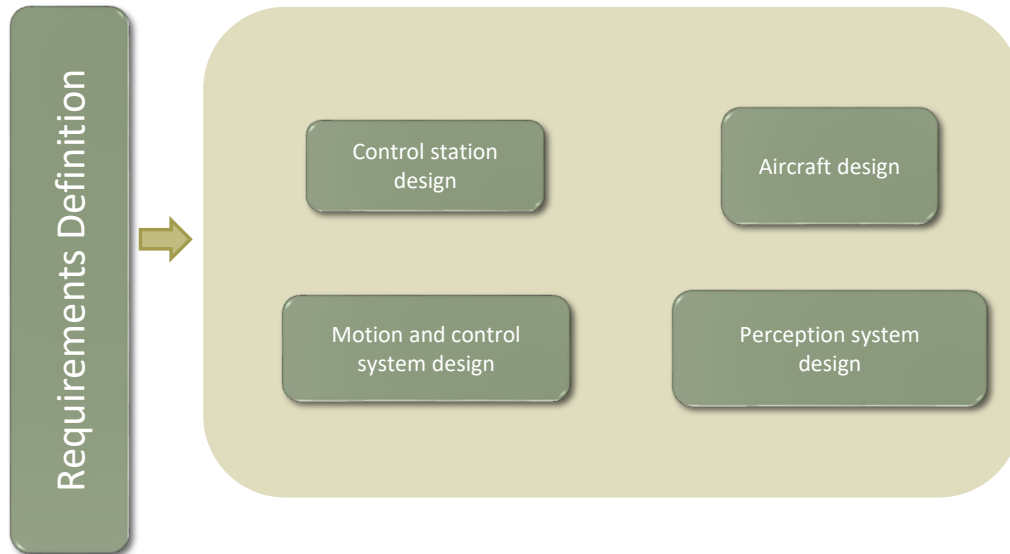
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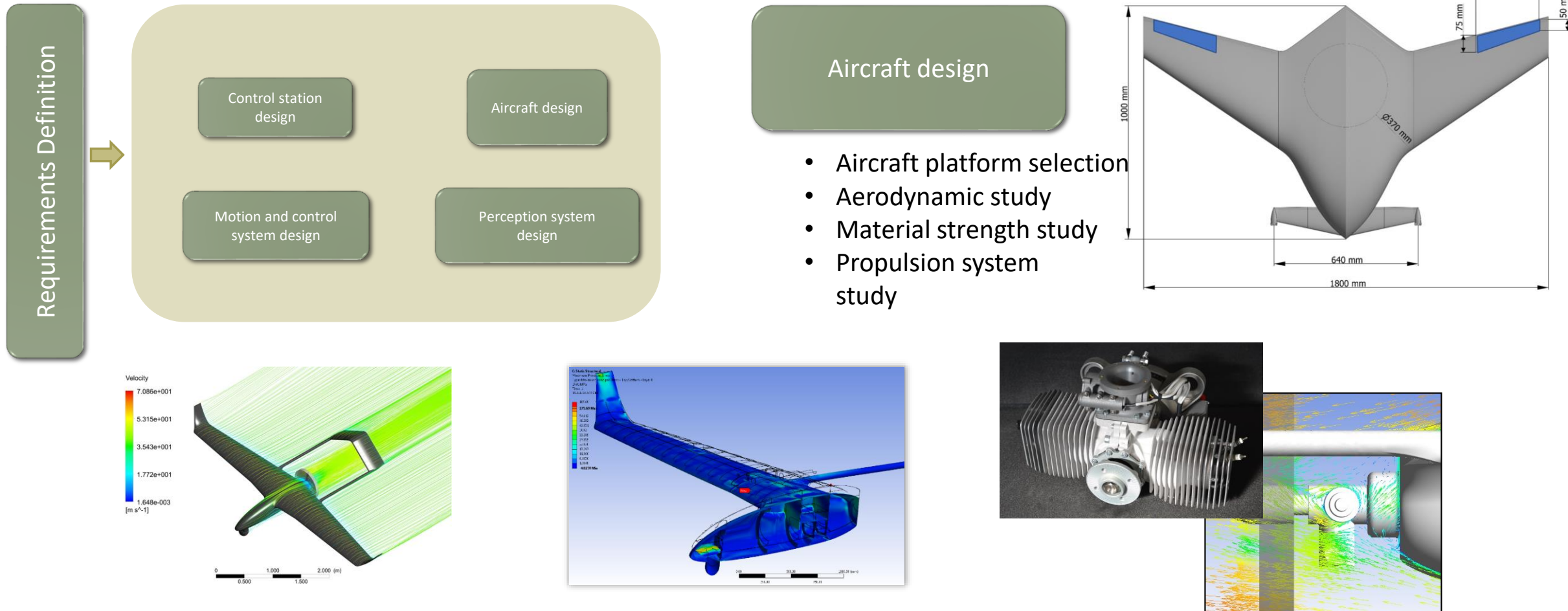
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- Operator interaction with the aircraft
- Exchange of information and command



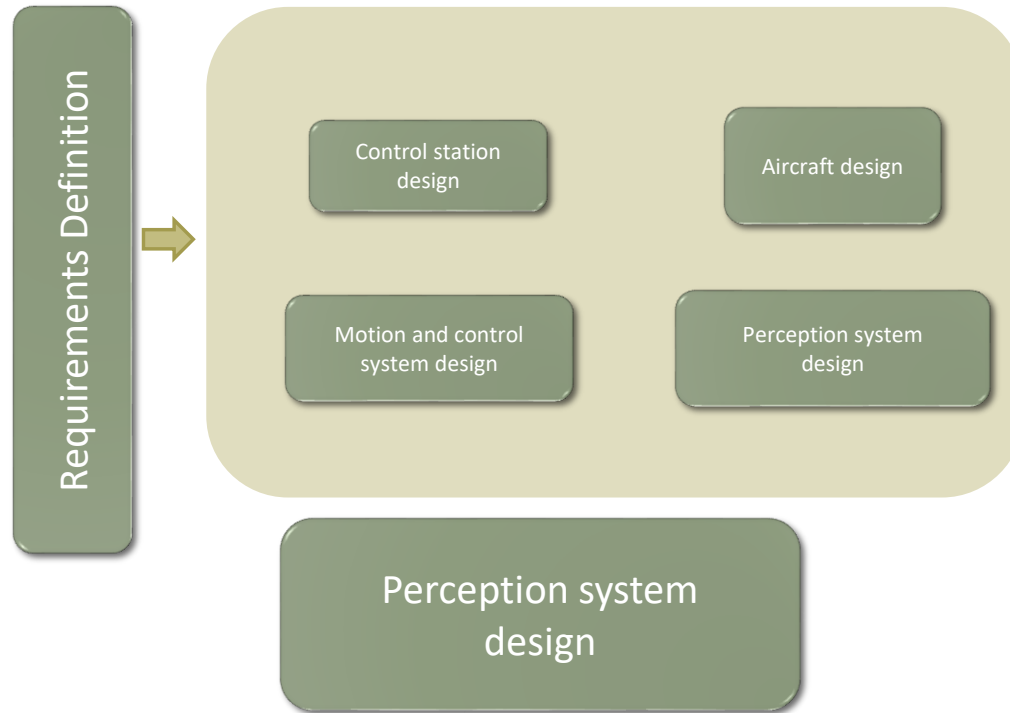
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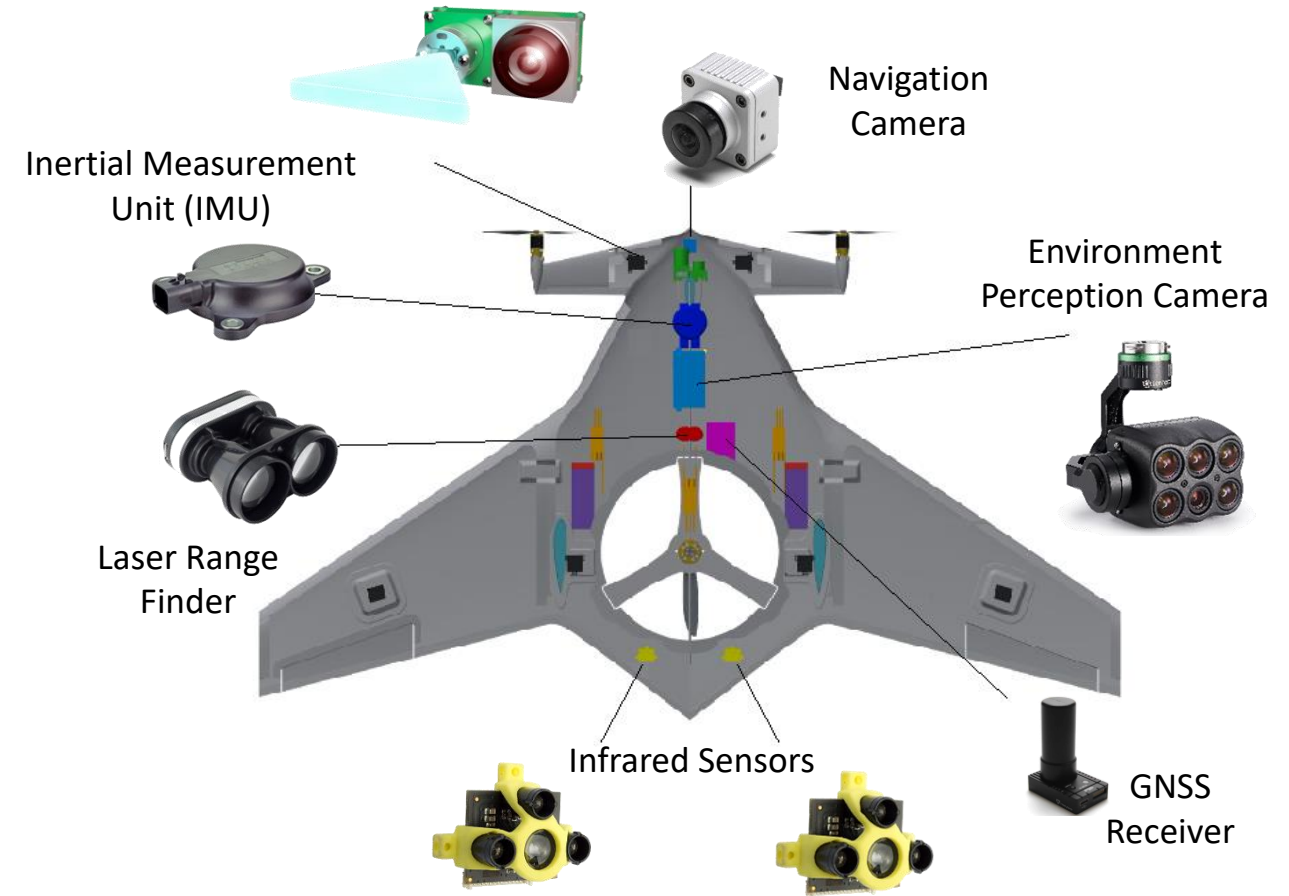
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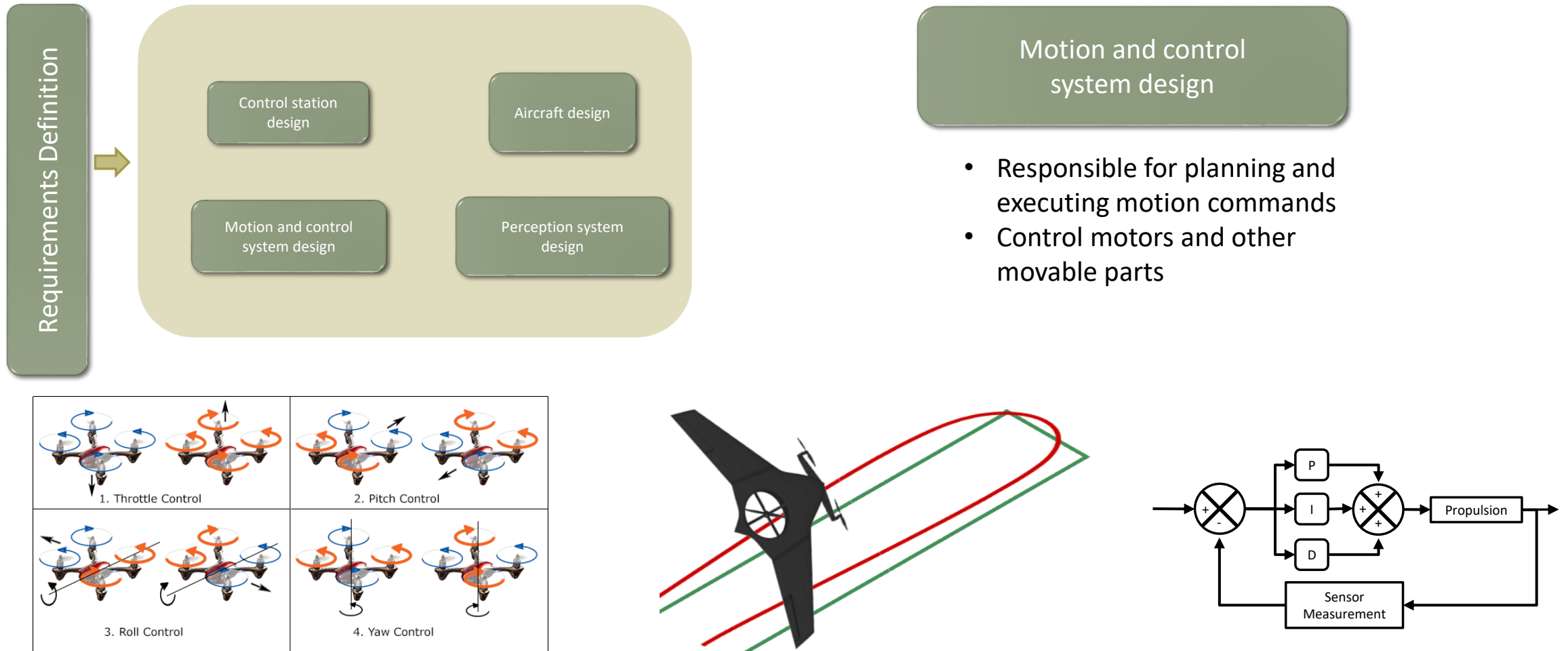
- Responsible for receiving measurements and information from the environment
- Use of sensors and computing units

Multi-beam Laser Range Finder



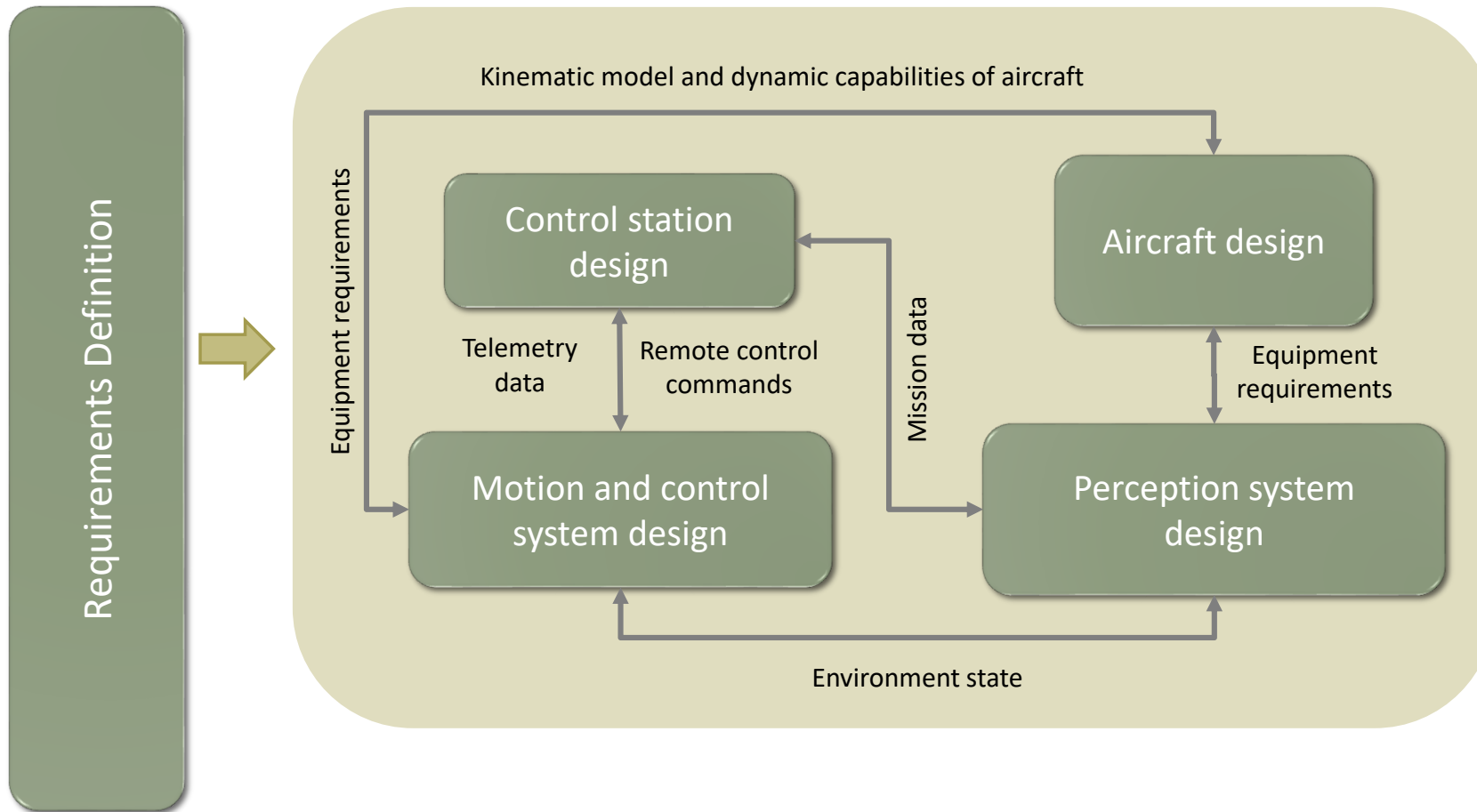
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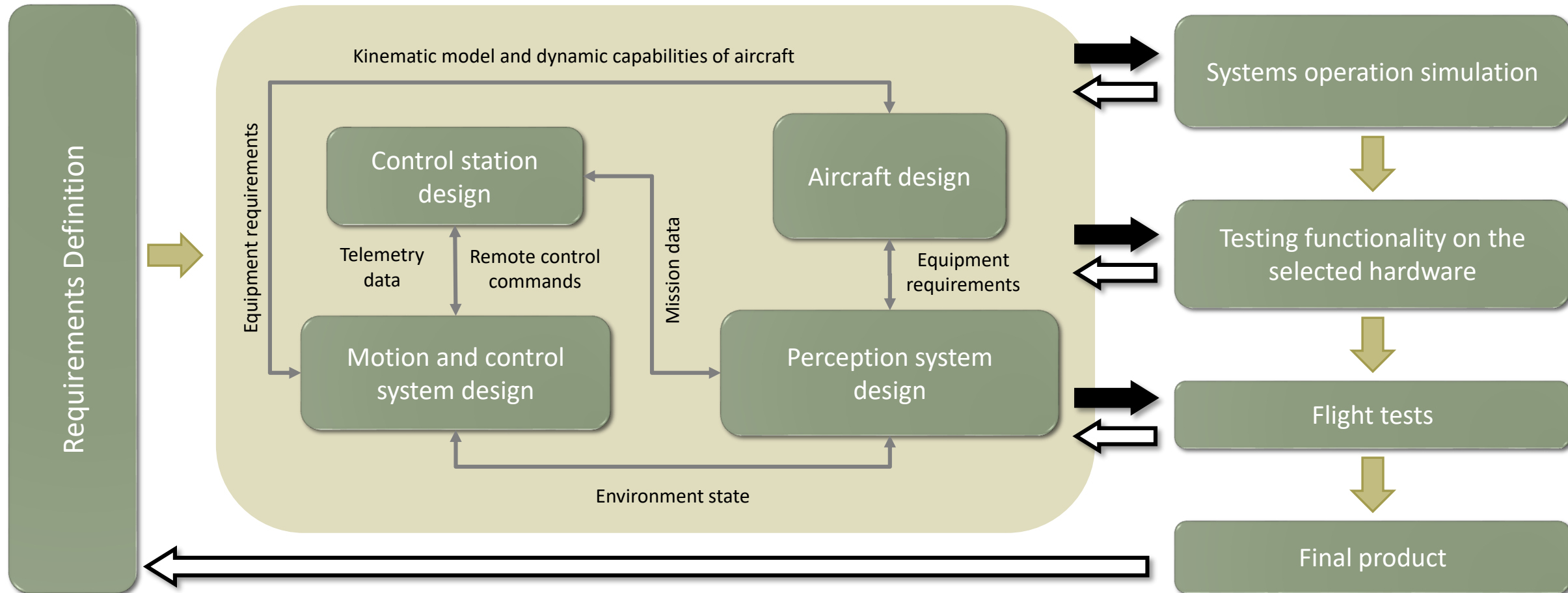
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## **UAVs' subsystem analysis**

Control station design

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## UAVs' subsystem analysis

### Control station design

#### Capabilities:

- Remote control
  - Direct manual control aircraft remotely



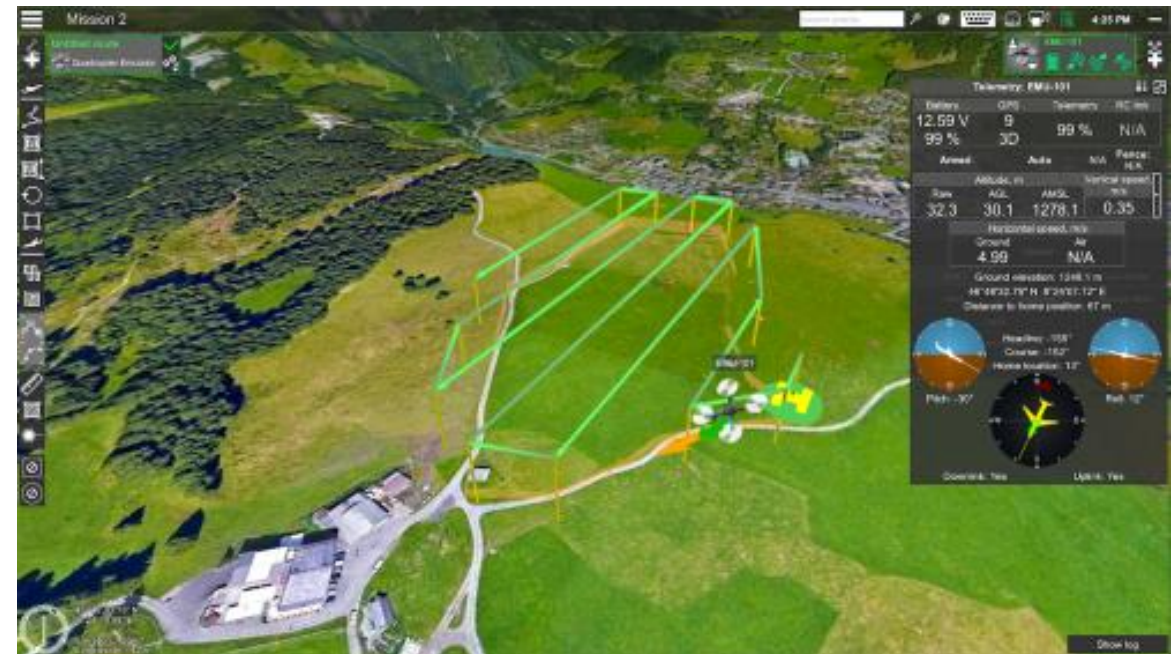
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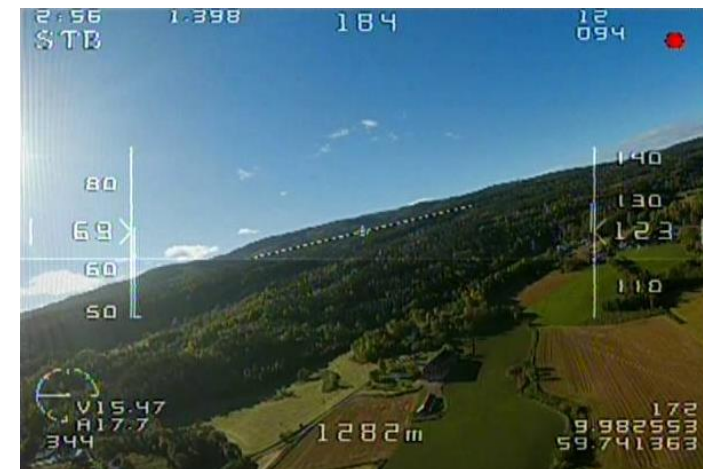
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- Video stream
  - Ground surveillance
  - First Person View



# UAVs as Mechatronic Systems: Design and Applications

## UAVs' subsystem analysis

### Aircraft design

| Fixed Wing                                                                                                                  | Rotary-wing                                                                                         | Hybrid                                                                                                                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Low Endurance<br>                          | Single-rotor<br> | Fixed-wing VTOL<br>(Vertical Take-Off and Landing)<br> |
| Medium Altitude-Long Endurance (MALE)<br> | Multicopter<br>  | Tilt wing<br>                                         |
| High Altitude-Long Endurance (HALE)<br>  | Coaxial<br>    | Tilt engine<br>                                      |

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## UAVs' subsystem analysis

### Aircraft design

| Fixed Wing                                                                  | Rotary-wing                                | Hybrid                                                                                                         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Horizontal Take-Off and Landing (HTOL)<br>Short Take-Off and Landing (STOL) | Vertical Take-Off and Landing (VTOL)       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Vertical Take-Off and Landing (VTOL)</li><li>Horizontal flight</li></ul> |
| Increased take-off/landing requirements                                     | Reduced take-off/landing requirements      | Reduced take-off/landing requirements                                                                          |
| Reduced energy consumption during flight                                    | Increased energy consumption during flight | Reduced energy consumption during flight                                                                       |



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## UAVs' subsystem analysis

### Aircraft design



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## **UAVs' subsystem analysis**

Perception system design

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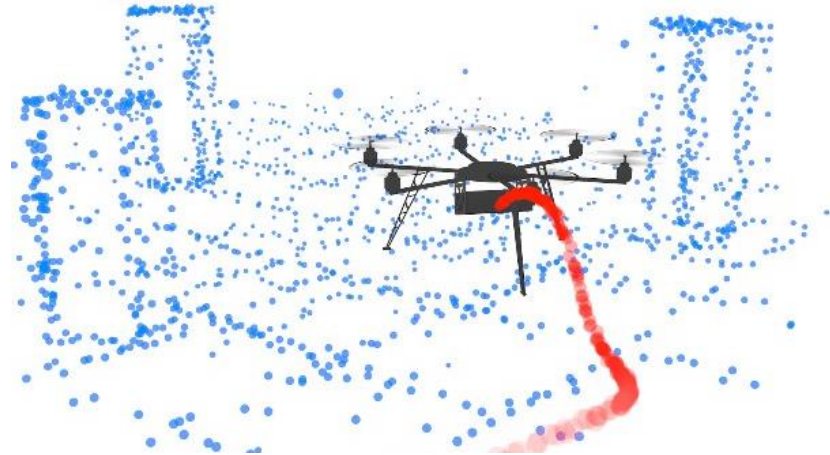
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## UAVs' subsystem analysis

### Perception system design

Available sensors IMU, GNSS, Distance, Cameras

- Localization



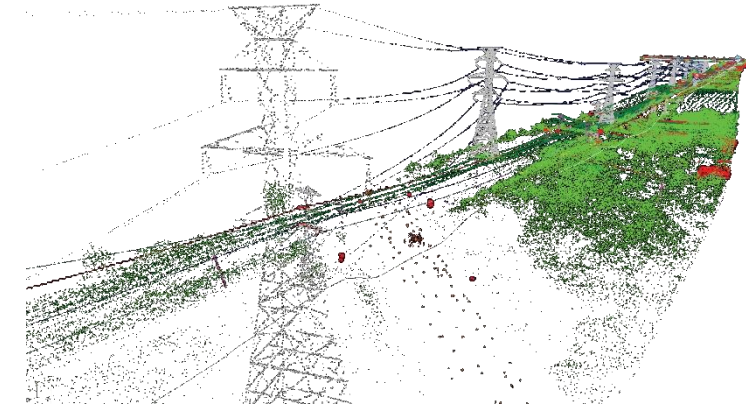
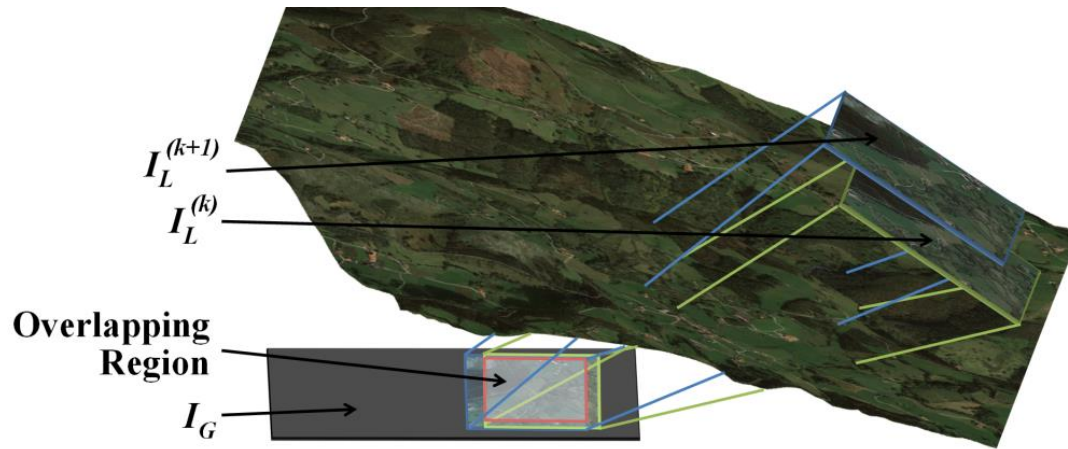
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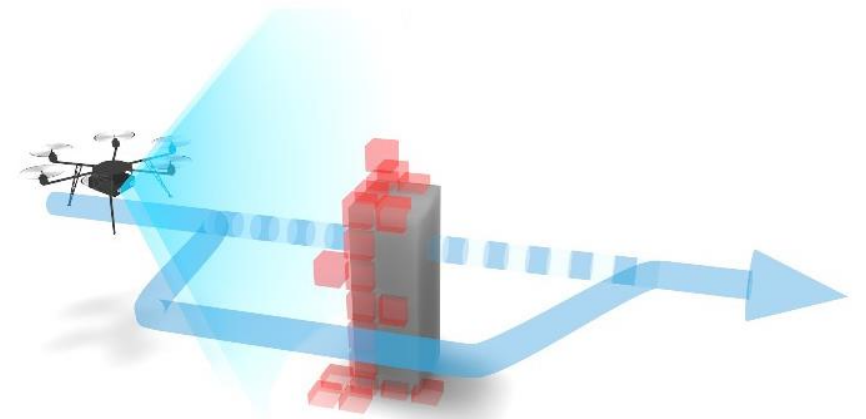
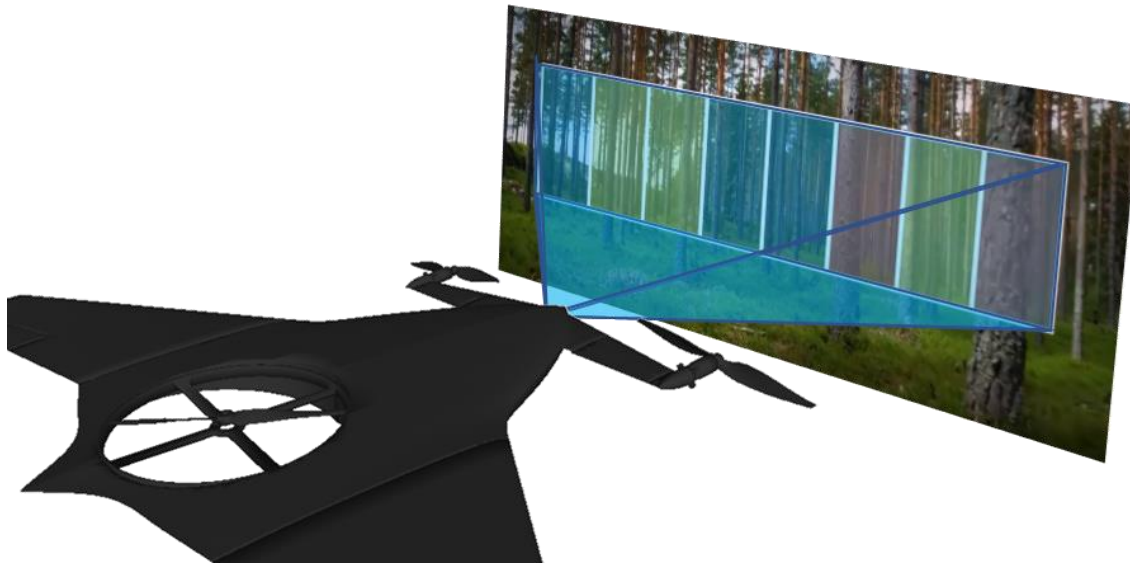
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- Obstacle detection



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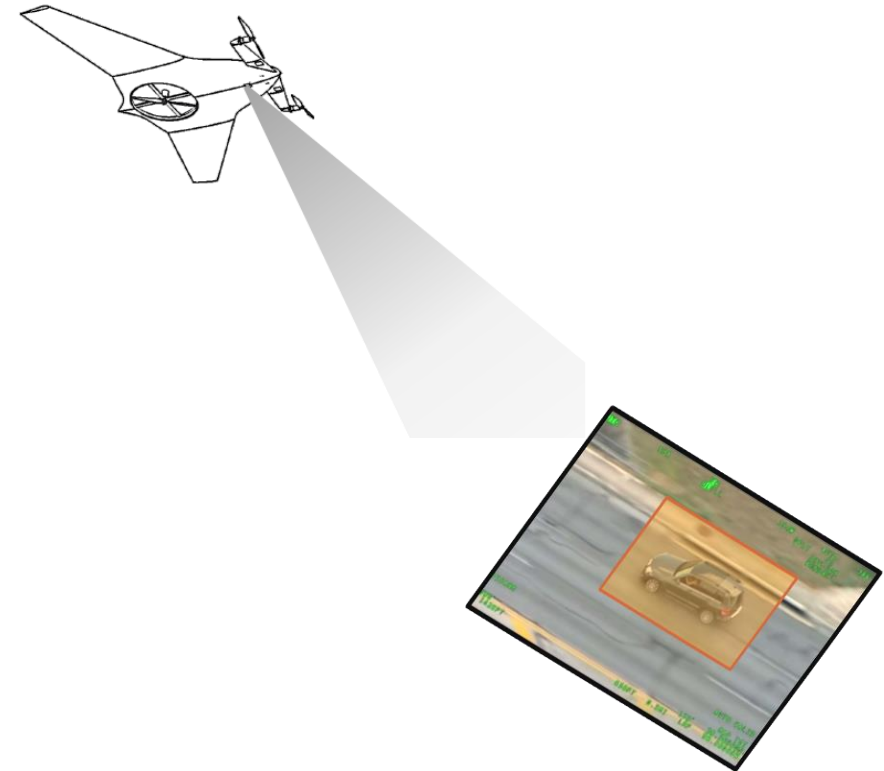
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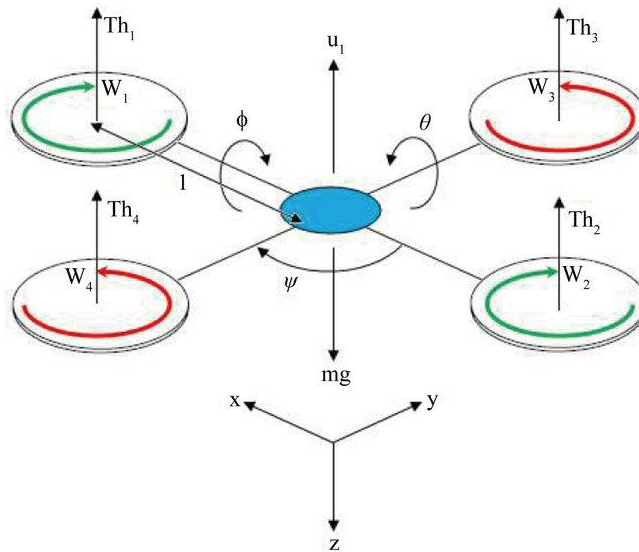
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### Motion and control system design

Aircraft design data

- Kinematic model and aircraft dynamics



$$F_i = K_f \times \omega_i^2$$

$$M_i = K_m \times \omega_i^2$$

$$M_y = (F_1 - F_2) \times L$$

$$M_x = (F_3 - F_4) \times L$$

$$m\ddot{r} = F_1 + F_2 + F_3 + F_4$$

$$I_{zz} \times \ddot{\psi} = M_1 + M_2 + M_3 + M_4$$

$$I_{yy} \times \ddot{\theta} = F_1 - F_2 \times L$$

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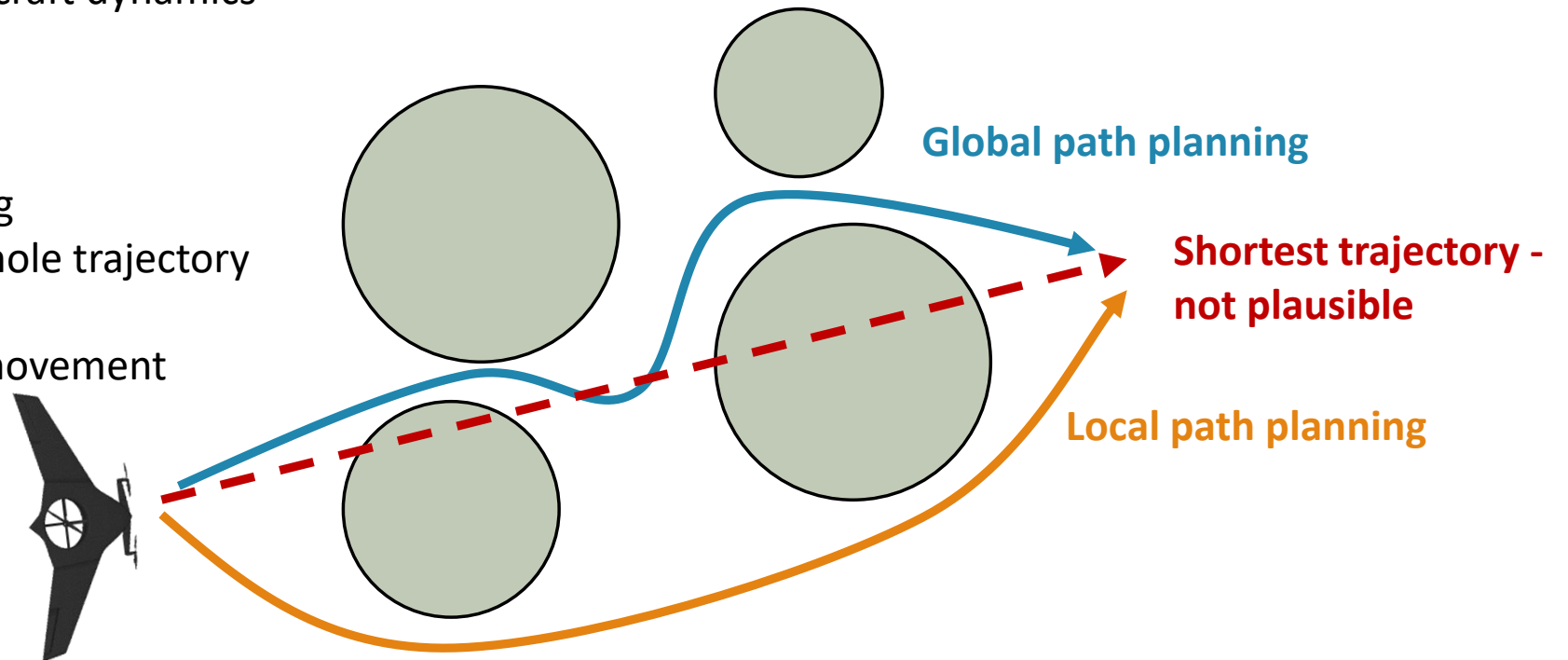
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Waypoints data

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Computing the whole trajectory
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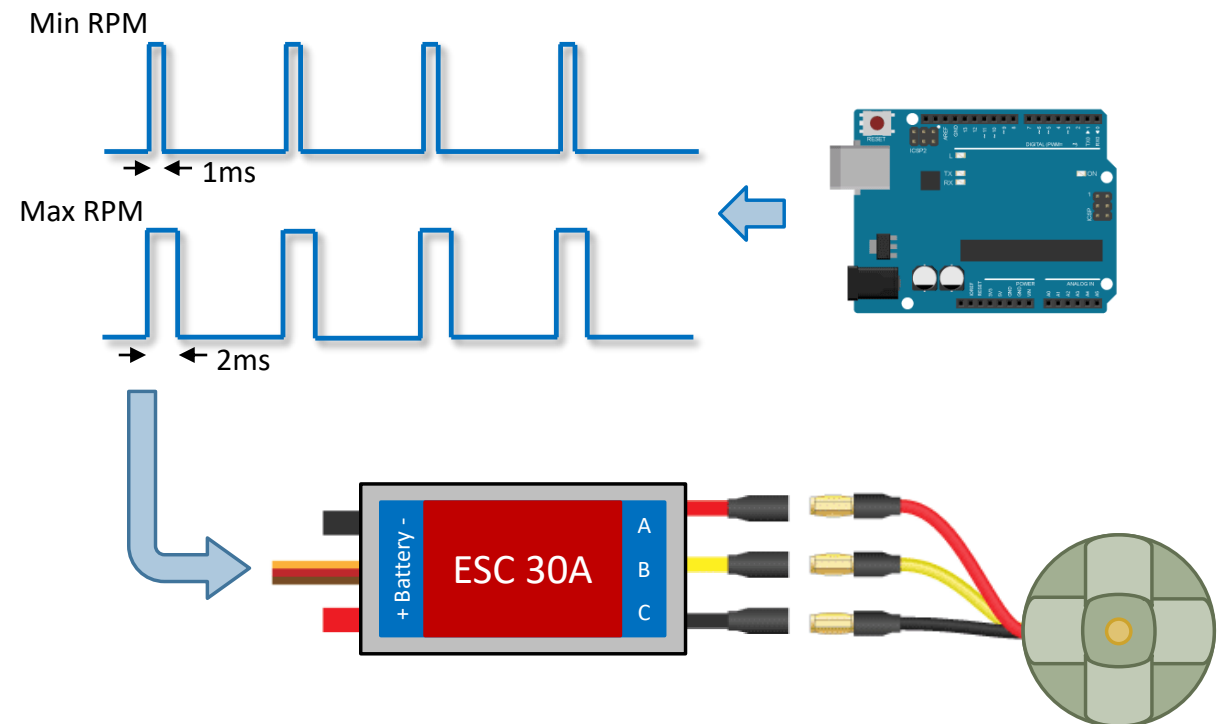
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#### Trajectory data or user control commands

- Motor control

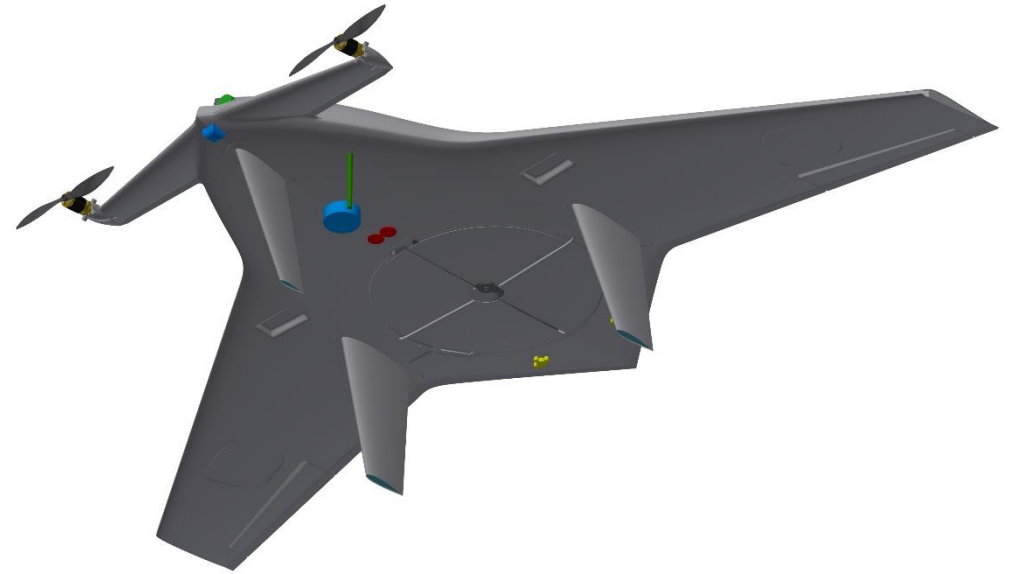
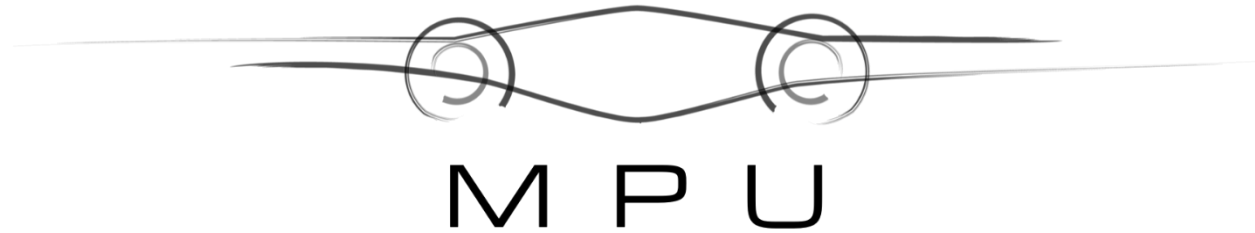


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## UAVs' Applications

The MPU system



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### The MPU system

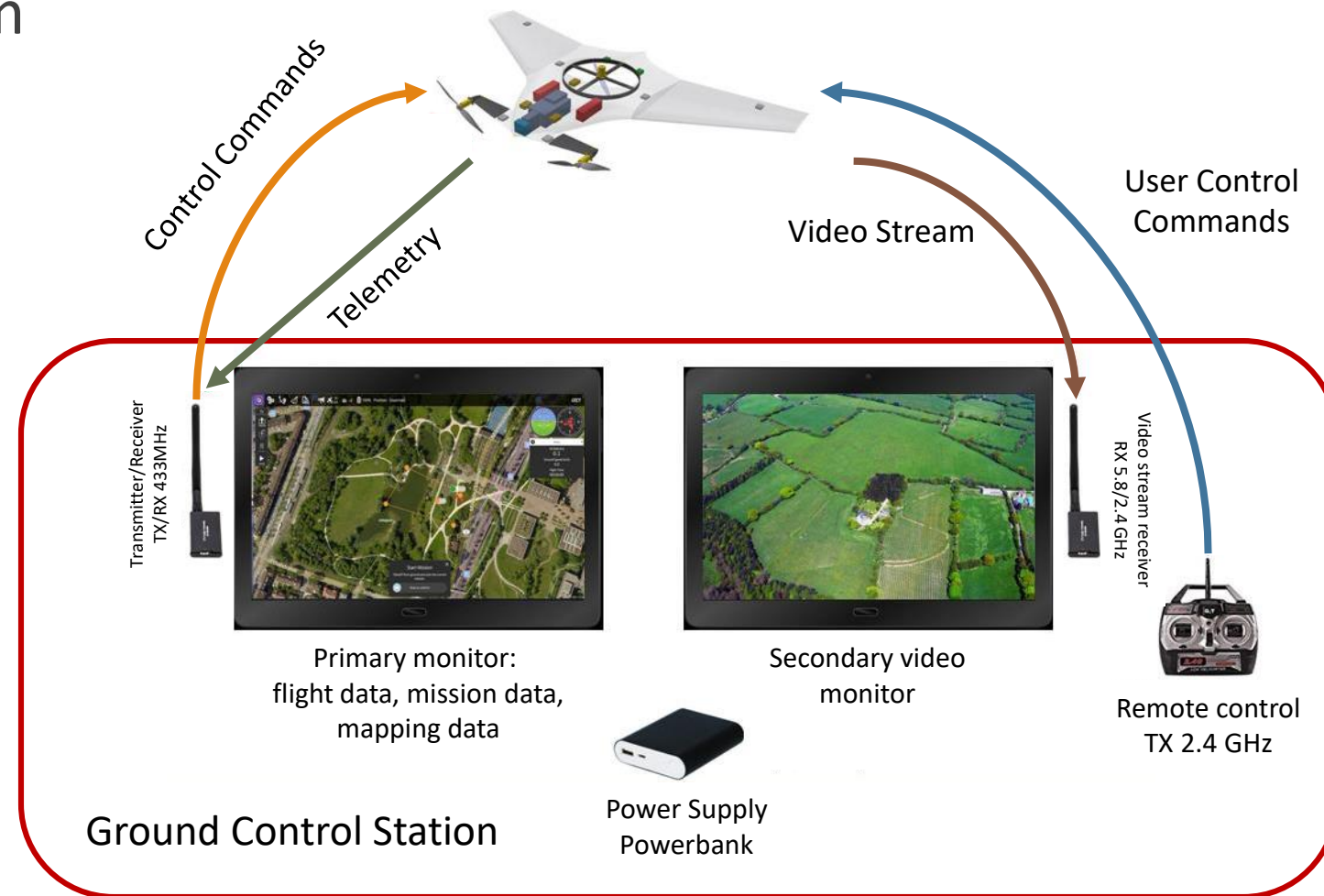


| Τελικά Χαρακτηριστικά MPU      |                        |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Maximum Take-Off Weight (MTOW) | 4.5 kg                 |
| Payload                        | 0.5 kg                 |
| Wingspan                       | 1.8 m                  |
| Wing Loading (W/S)             | 6.15 kg/m <sup>2</sup> |
| Cruise speed                   | 65 km/h                |
| Maximum speed                  | 125 km/h               |
| Stall speed                    | 25 km/h                |
| Endurance                      | 120 min                |
| Flight altitude                | 1500 m                 |

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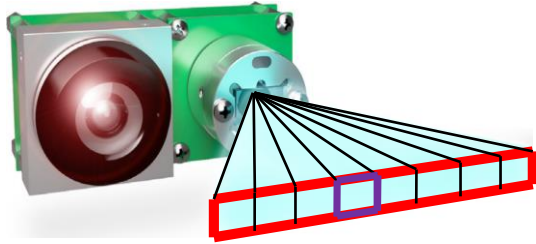


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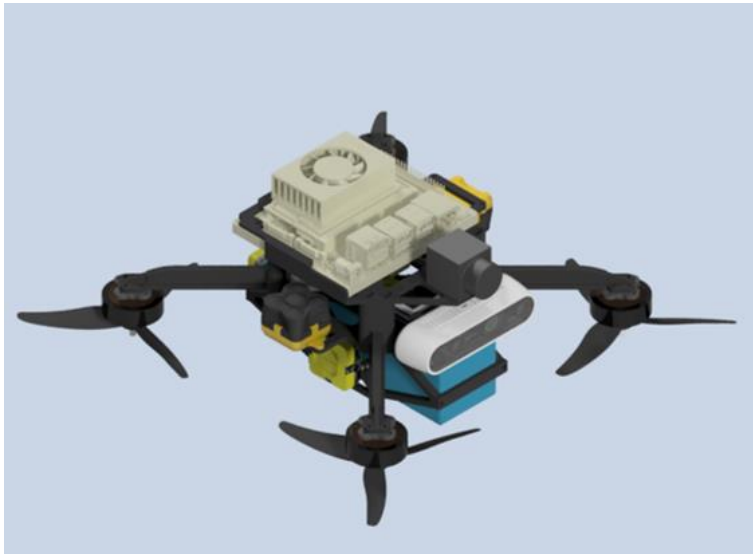


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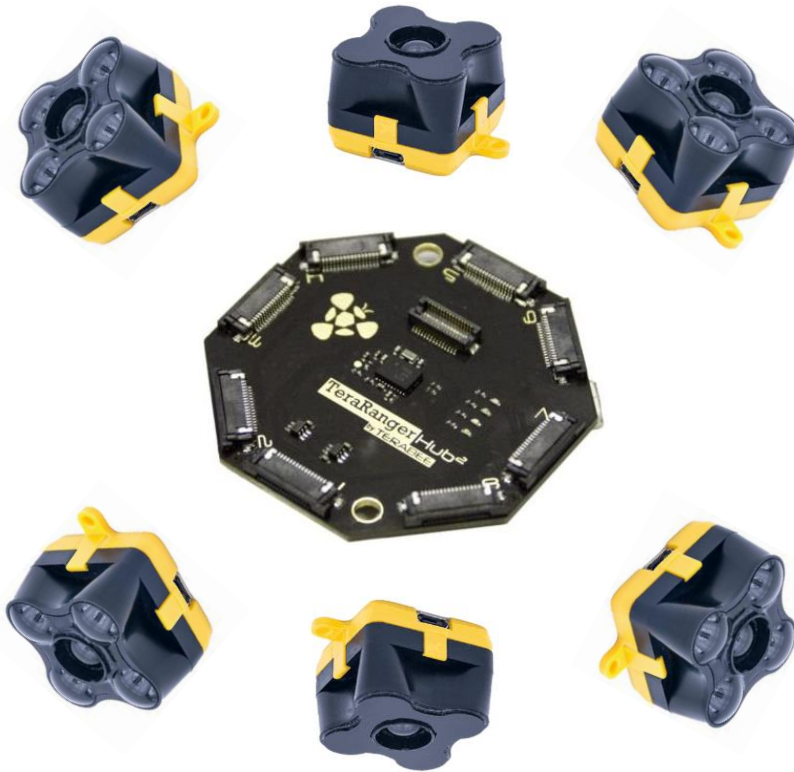


Thermal camera



RGBD camera + IMU

Laser Rangefinders  
15m/3m

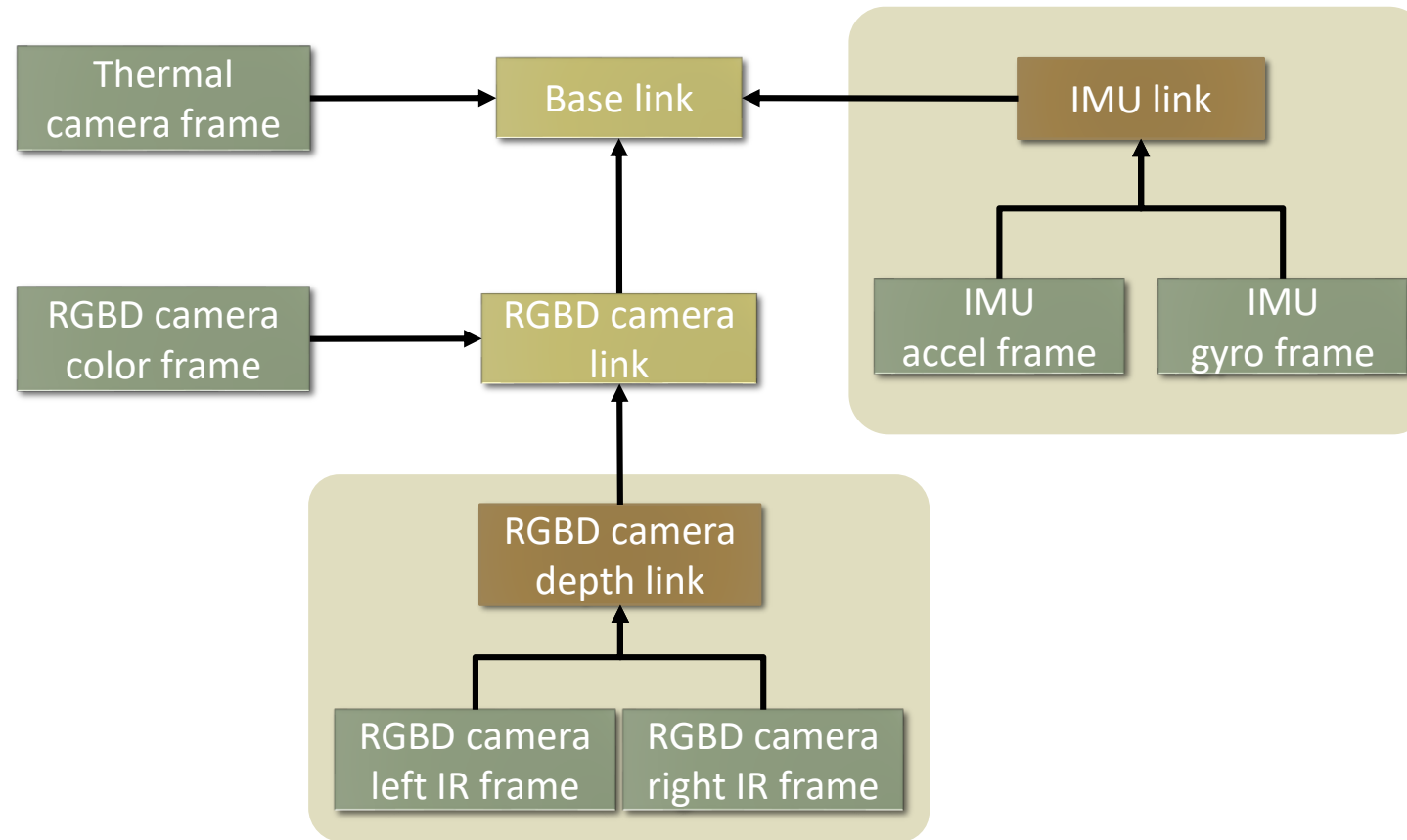


Compute Unit

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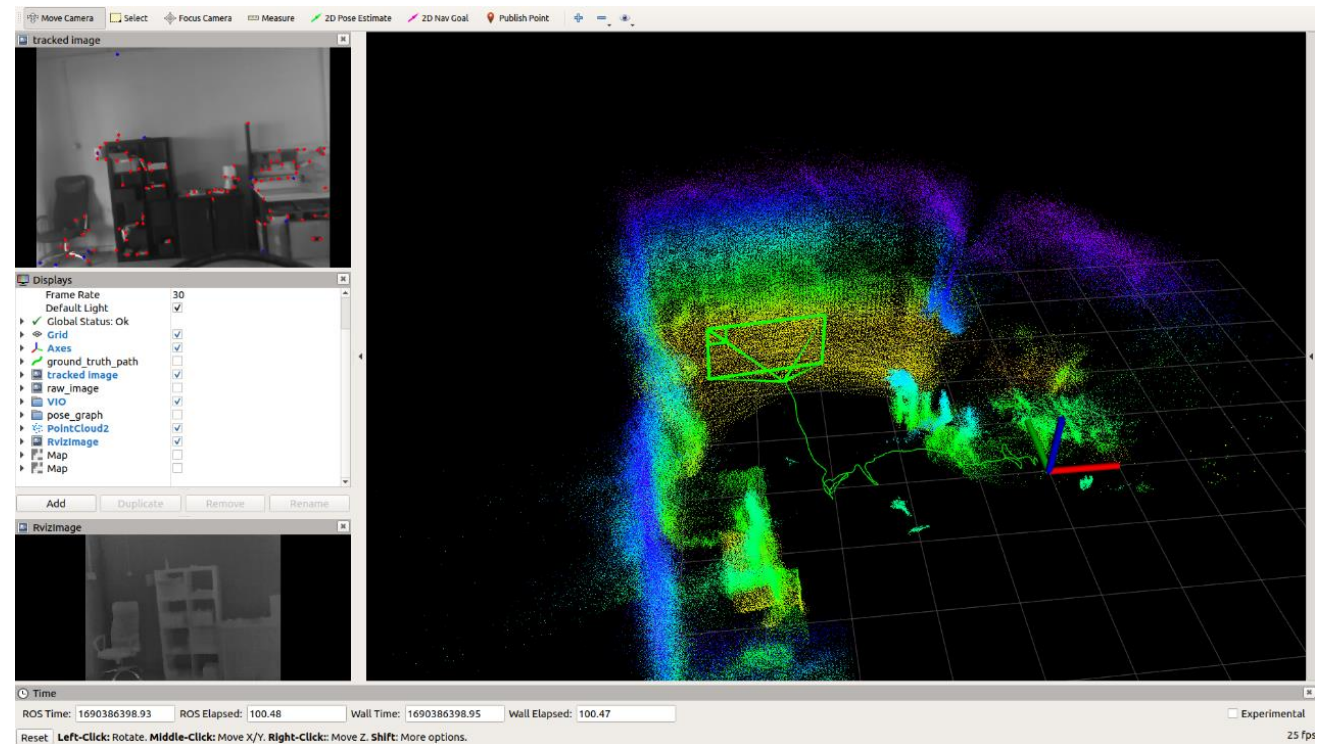
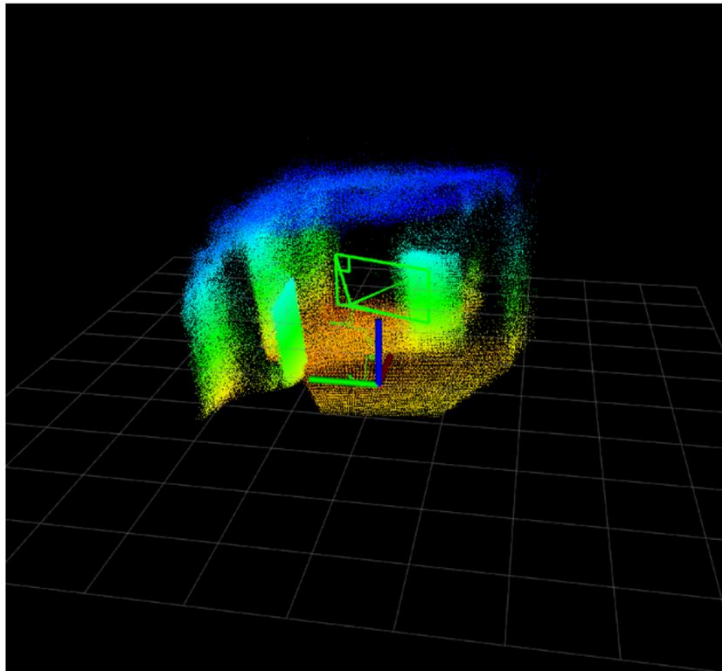
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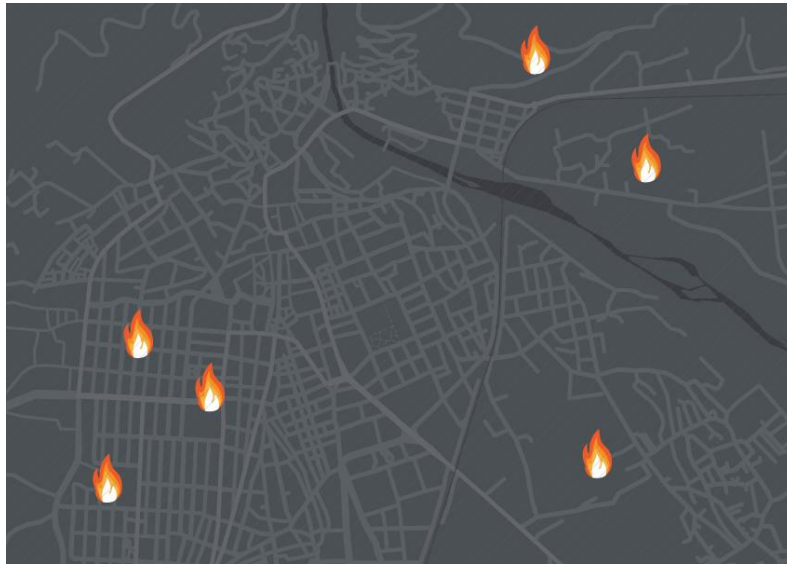


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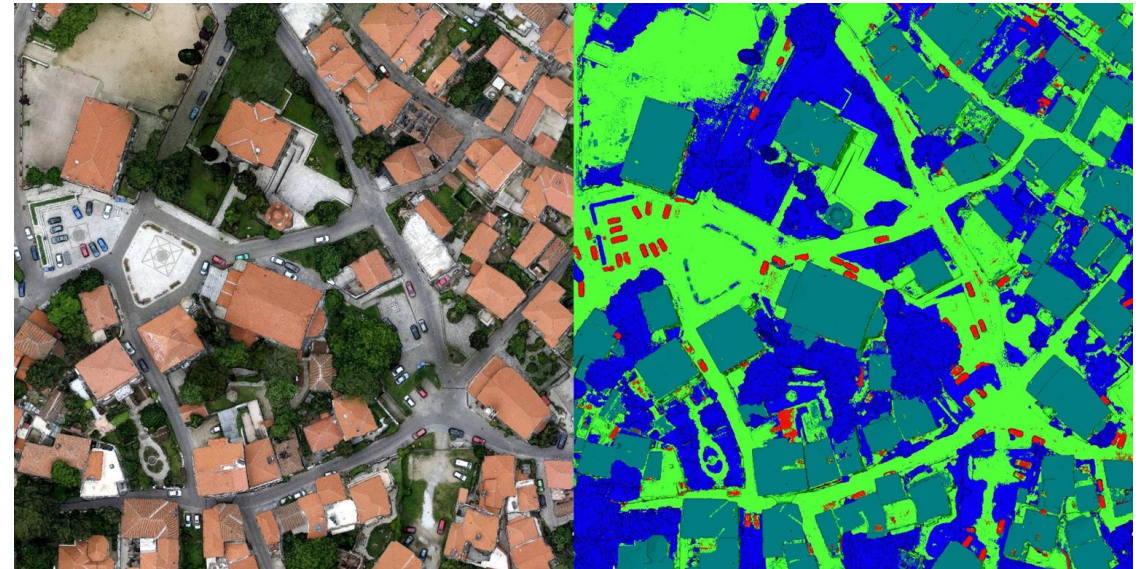
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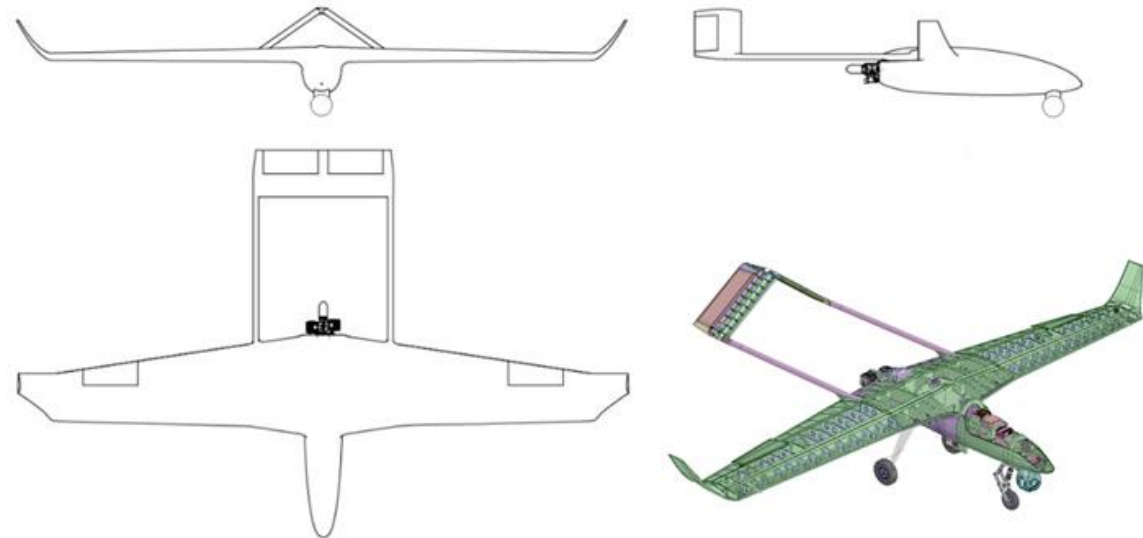


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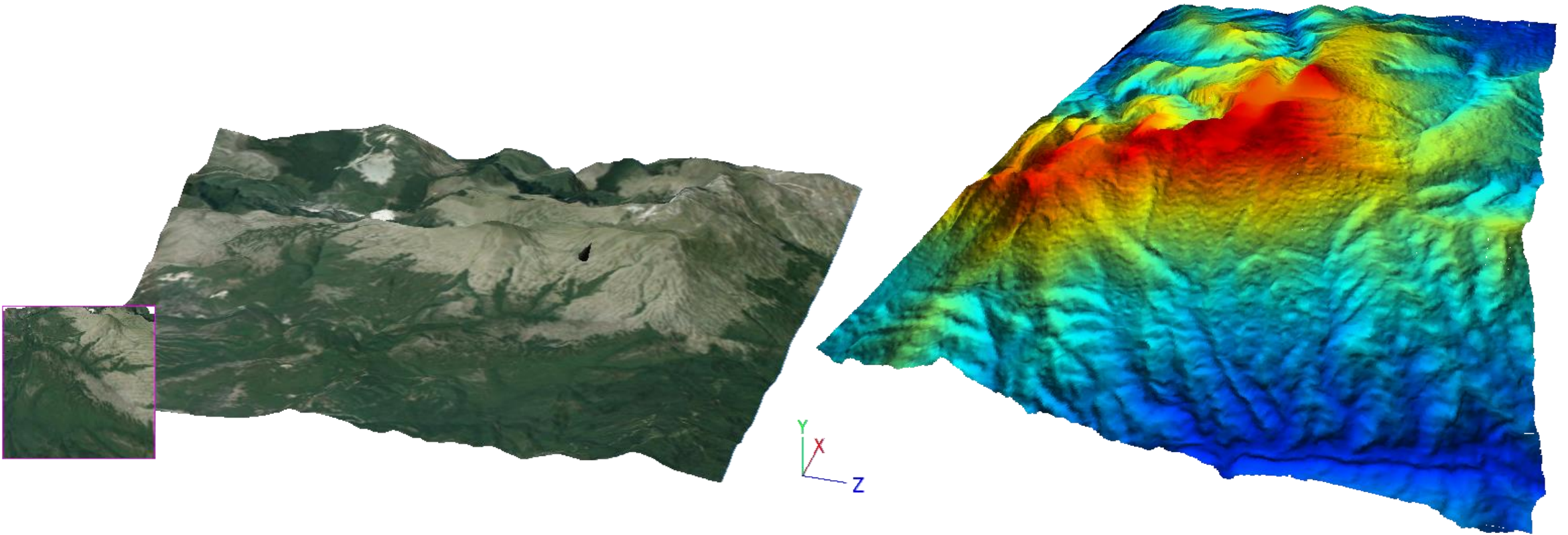


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