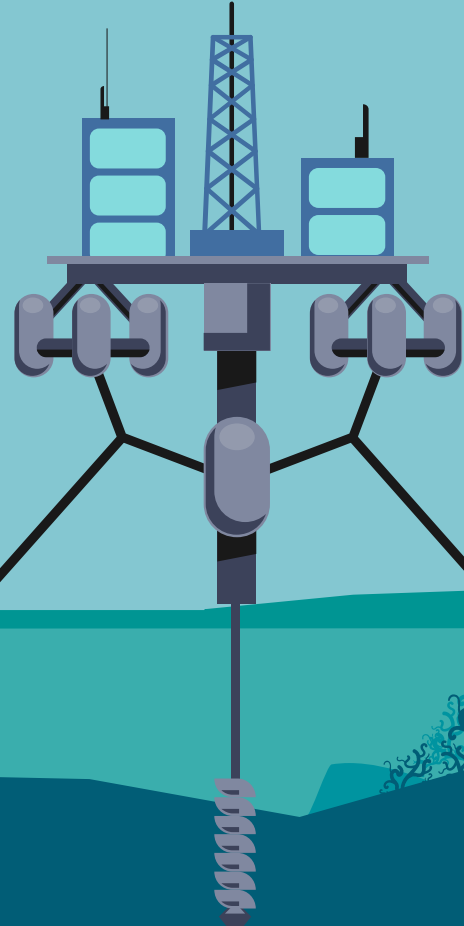


Free Space Optical Communication PROJECT PROPOSAL

Marine Infrared Free Space
Communication Relays using UAVs



Terminology

Free Space Optical Communication: Turn lasers on/off to represent bits, operating in GHz range

Infrared: Near optical light wavelengths

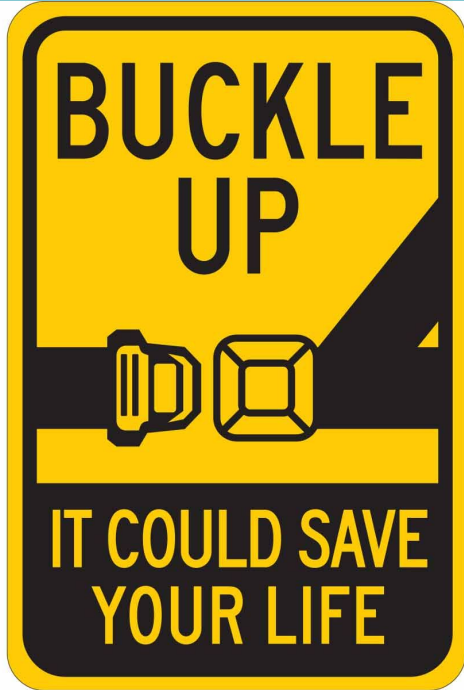
UAVs: Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (drones)

FANET: Flying ad hoc Network



Source: DARPA

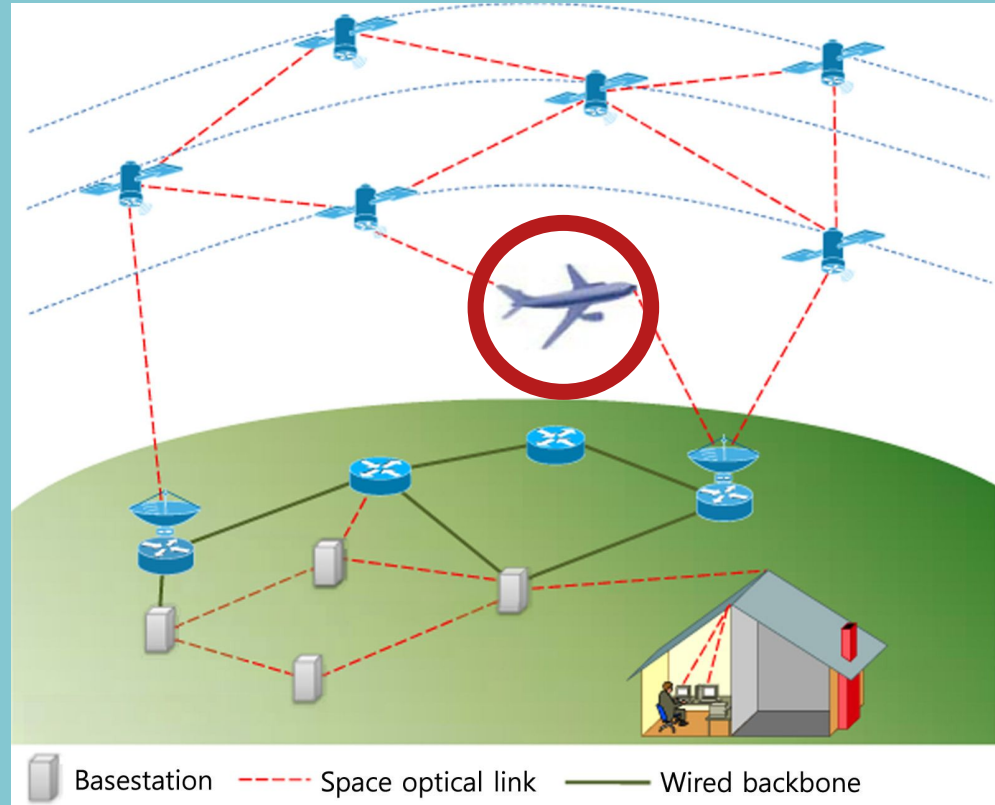
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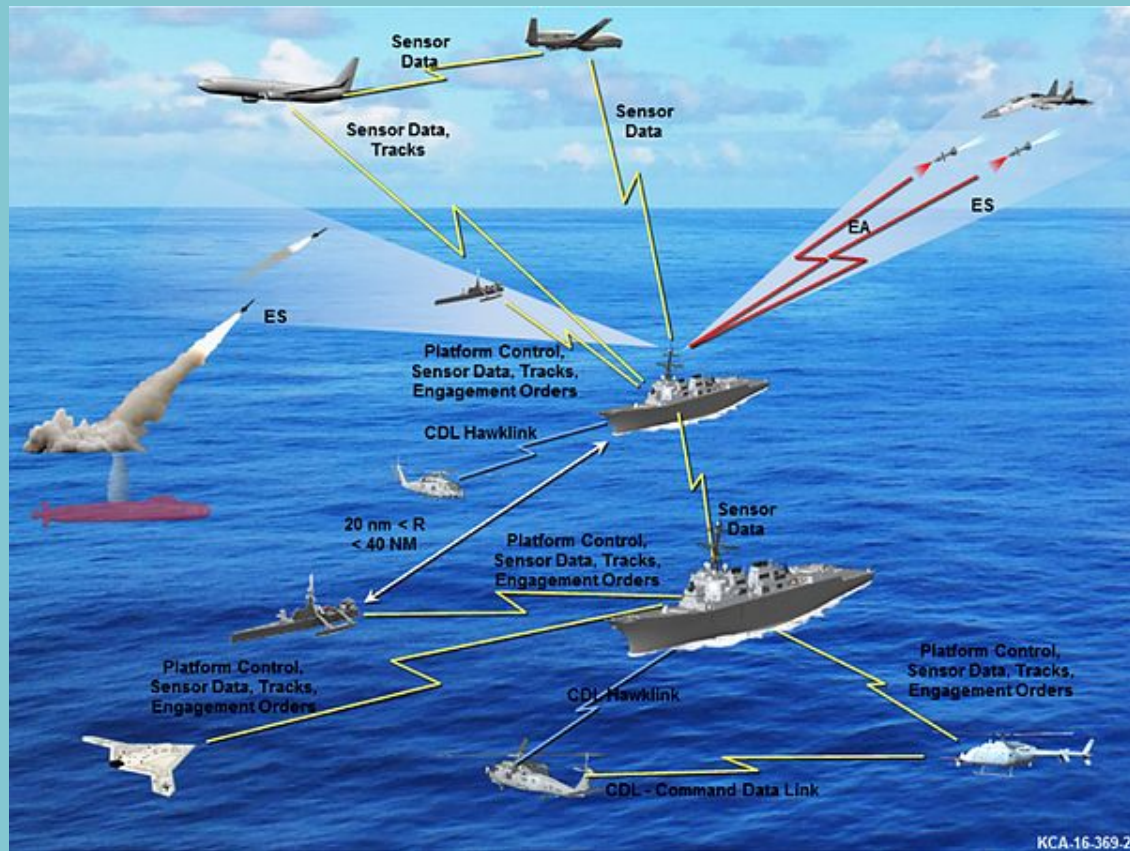
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Source: Keun Son, Shiwen Mao, 'A Survey of Free Space Optical Networks' in *Digital Communications and Networks*, pg 67-77. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.dcan.2016.11.002>.

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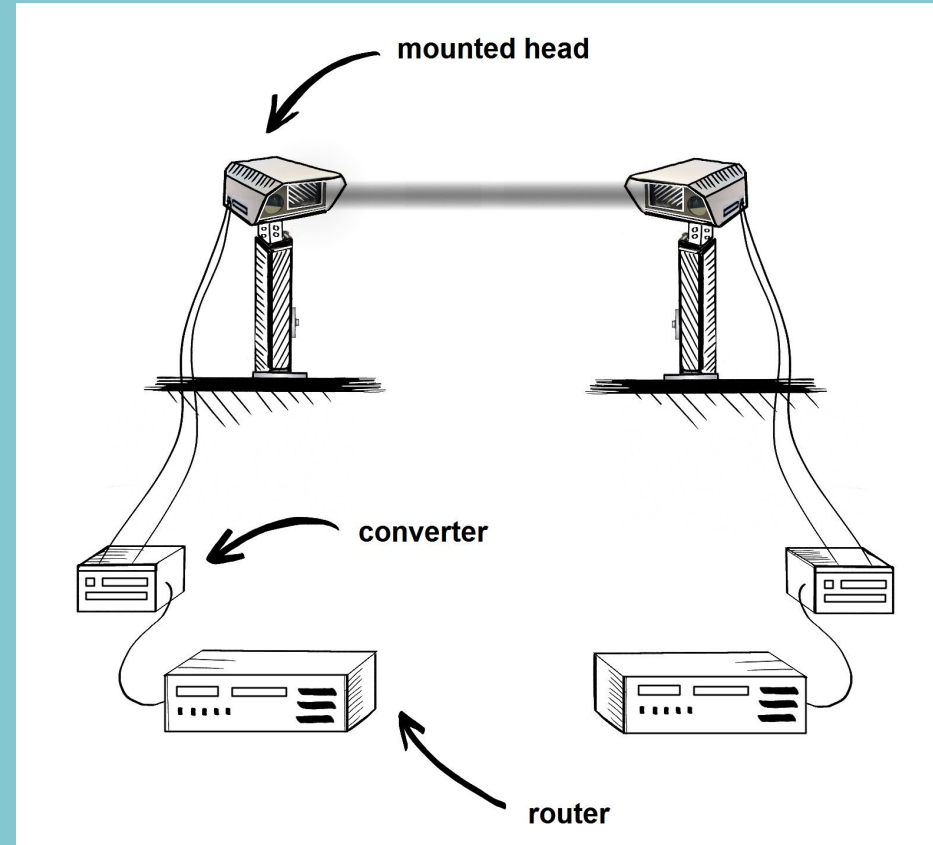
Why



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Project Scope

1. Novel SATA 10GHz setup
2. New motorized scanning system
3. 10GHz testing system
4. Control System
5. Homing laser
6. Hardware construction
 - a. Transceiver
 - b. Control System
 - c. Redesign of media converter



Timeline

TASK	ASSIGNED TO	PROGRESS	START	END
Research and Development				
Static Design	Both	100%	9/12/21	9/15/21
Order parts	Ian	50%	9/15/21	10/1/21
Scanner Design	Both	0%	12/3/21	12/10/21
Tracking Algorithm	Both	0%	2/11/22	2/16/22
FANET Design	Both	0%	5/25/22	5/27/22
Static Design				
Construct Transmitter	Ian	0%	10/1/21	11/12/21
Construct Receiver	Natalia	0%	10/1/21	11/12/21
Lab Condition Testing	Both	0%	11/12/21	11/19/21
Foggy Condition Testing	Ian	0%	11/19/21	11/26/21
Outdoor Testing	Natalia	0%	11/26/21	12/3/21
Single Motion Design				
Scanner Parts Ordering	Natalia	0%	12/10/21	12/15/21
Construct Scanner	Both	0%	1/10/22	1/17/22
Test Scanner	Natalia	0%	1/17/22	1/24/22
Scanner Tracking Implementation	Ian	0%	1/17/22	1/31/22
One way tracking testing	Both	0%	1/31/22	2/10/22
Dual Motion Design				
Mount receiver on drone	Natalia	0%	2/10/22	2/17/22
Test drone receiver while moving	Natalia	0%	2/17/22	3/10/22
Mount transmitter on drone	Ian	0%	2/10/22	2/17/22
Test drone transmitter while moving	Ian	0%	2/17/22	3/10/22
Test drone-to-drone communication	Both	0%	3/10/22	4/14/22
Demonstrate FANET feasibility	Both	0%	4/14/22	4/21/22

The Team



Questions

The background is a stylized illustration of an underwater scene. The top half is a light blue sky-like area with three white bubbles of different sizes. The bottom half is a darker teal area representing the ocean floor, featuring silhouettes of coral reefs, rocks, and a dark blue seabed.