

# **UAS Payloads – Session 1**

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## ➤ ISR Evolution

### ISR

#### Intelligence

The **product** after collection, processing, integration, analysis, evaluations and interpretation

#### Surveillance

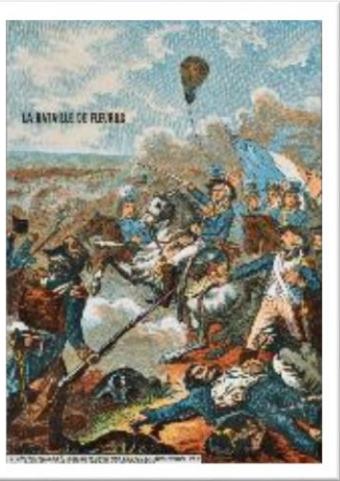
**Systematic observation** of aerospace, surface, or subsurface areas, places, persons, or things by any means (video, aural, electronic,...). Sustained in time

#### Reconnaissance

**Information gathering** by any means about activities, resources of a potential enemy or to secure data concerning meteorological, hydrographic or geographic characteristics of a particular area. Transitory in time



# Airborne ISR? The Historical Origin



**French Revolution Wars (1794)**  
**Platform Types:** Balloon  
**Mission:** Tactical Surveillance  
**Sensor:** Visual (Telescope).  
**Range:** 29 km  
**Datalink:** written reports in a bag



**WW I (1914-1918)**  
**Platform Types:** Manned FW Aircraft, Airships  
**Missions:** Reconnaissance, ASW  
**Sensors:** Plate Cameras (Vertical photography)



**WW II(1939-1945)**  
**Platform Types:** Manned FW Aircraft, Airships  
**Missions:** Reconnaissance & Surveillance, ASW  
**Sensors:** RADAR, Film Cameras, MAD

# Airborne ISR – Current & Future assets



# On board a manned ISR Aircraft

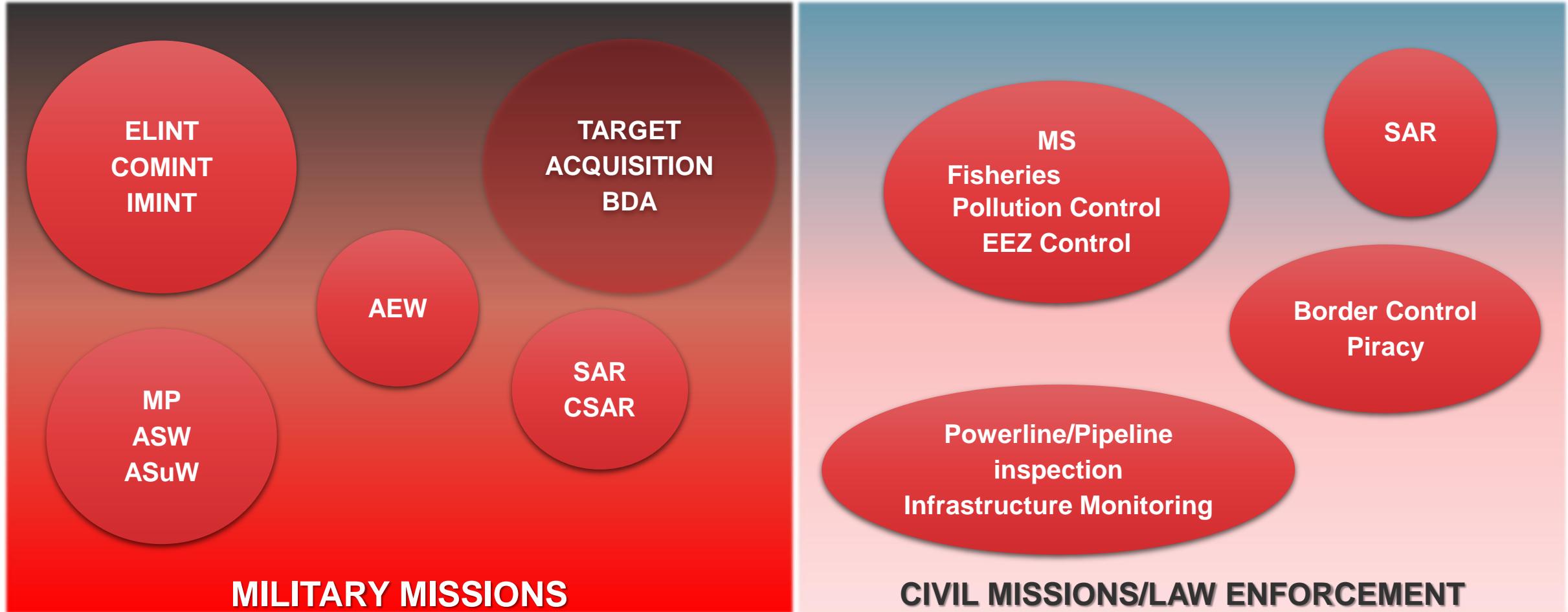


# Module 9, Military Systems & Armament: Session 11, ISR

On board an UAV/RPA



# Types of Missions encompassing ISR tasks



## • PAYLOADS & MISSIONS

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MISSIONS	SENSORS	EO/IR	RADAR (Sea Modes)	RADAR (SAR/GMTI Modes)	SLAR	ESM /ELINT	COMINT	MAD	ACOUSTIC	IR/UV Scanner	PLS	AIS
Signal Intelligence												
Anti-Sub. Warfare												
Imagery Intelligence												
Border Patrol												
Search & Rescue												
Combat SAR												
Pollution Fighting												
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**Very wide range of sensors and missions**

**Some sensors are multi-mission, generic sensors**

**Others are very mission specific**

**Need: Maintain common core while tailoring to specific  
missions/sensors/platforms**

**REUSE IS A MUST**



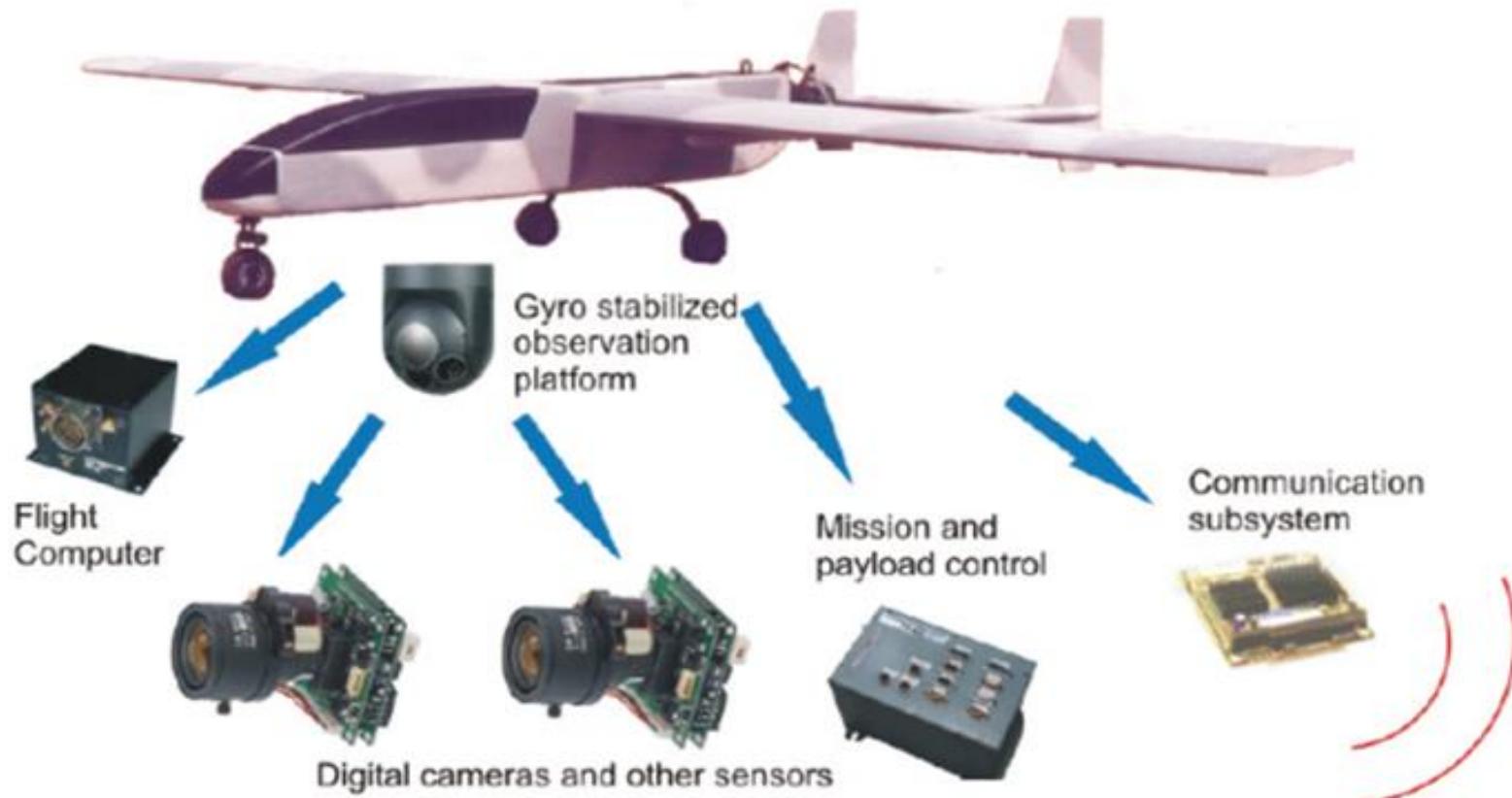
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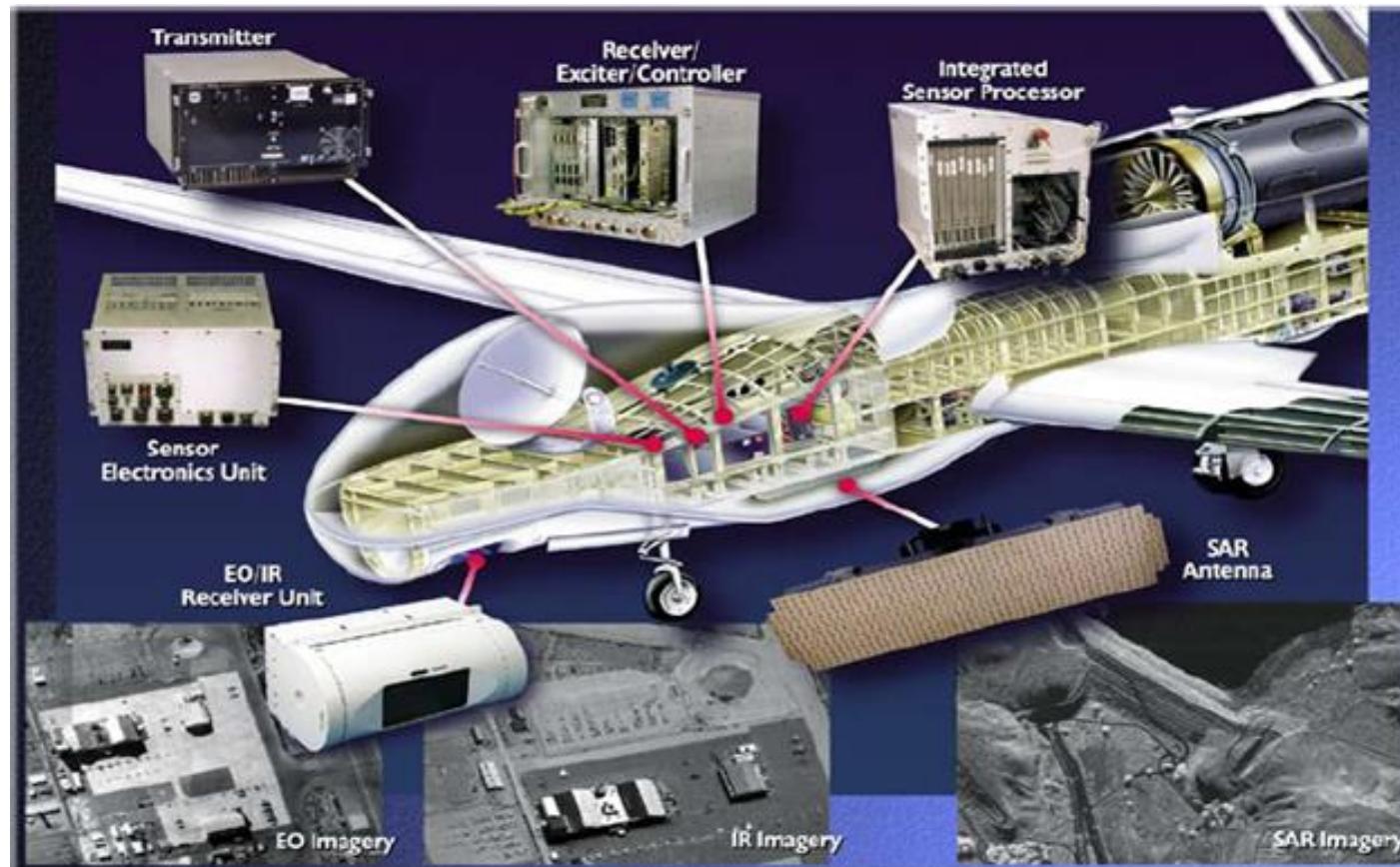
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## ➤ General Architecture

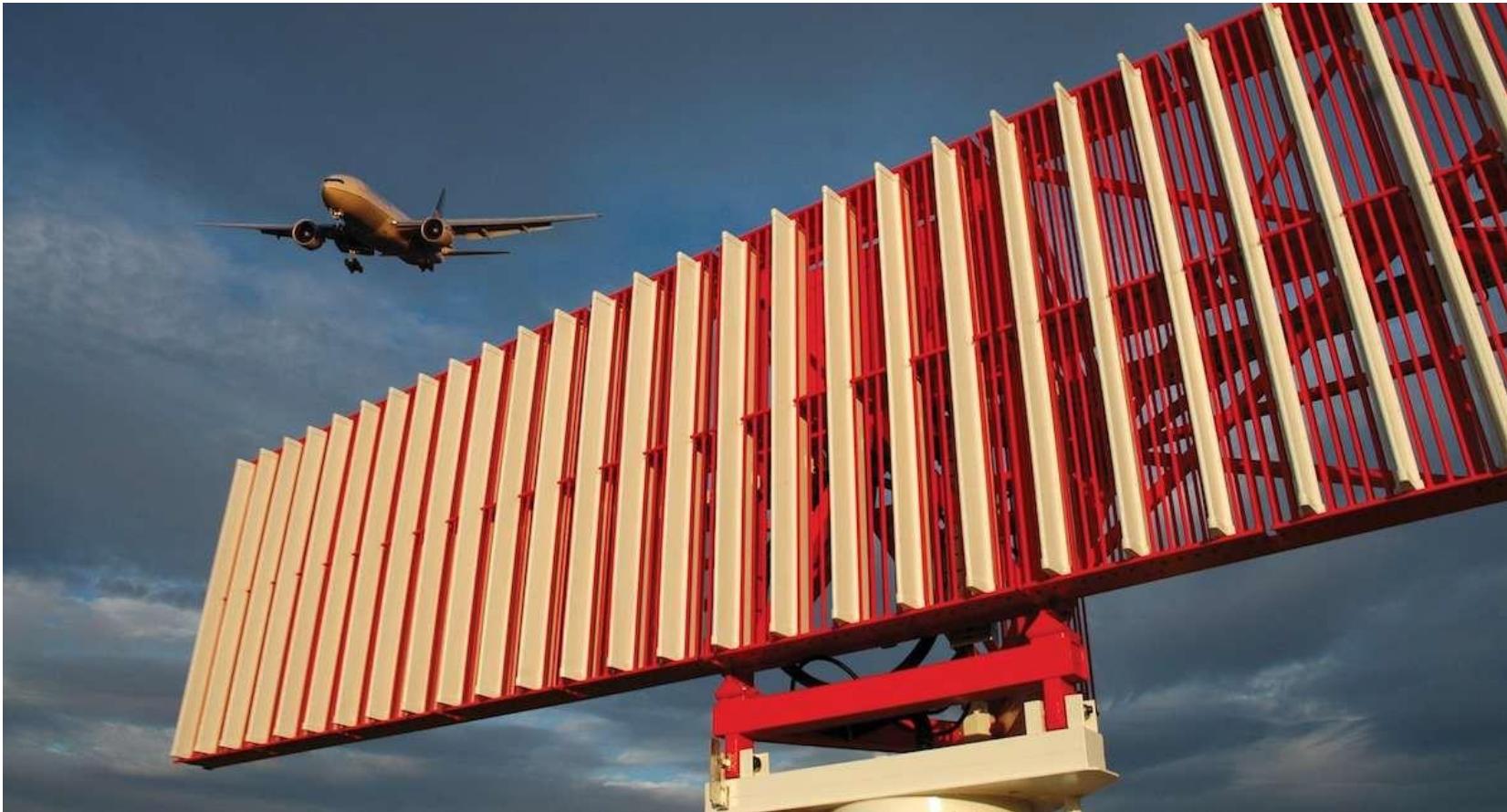


## ➤ General Architecture



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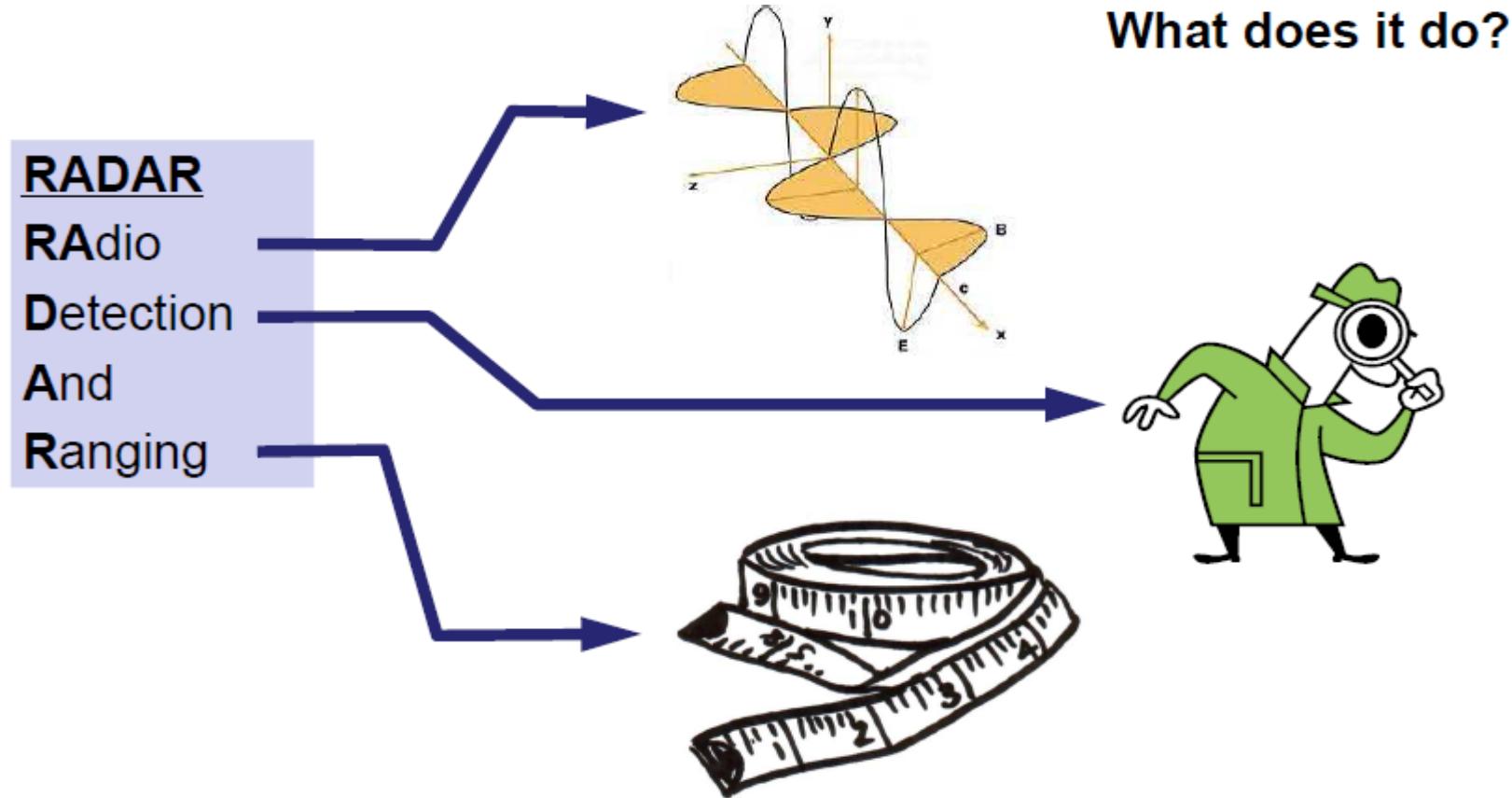
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# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

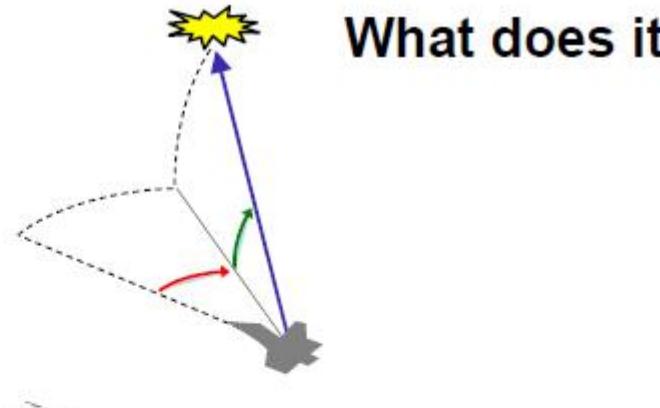
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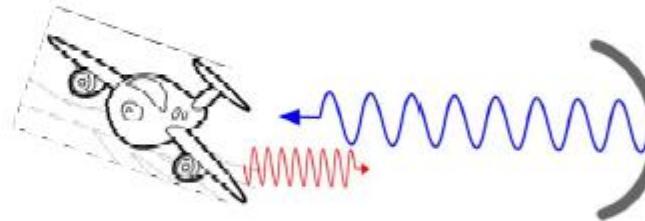
# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR

- Detects Targets:
  - ✧ 2D: Range / Azimuth
  - ✧ 3D: Range / Azimuth / Elevation
- Calculates Speeds: range rate
- Creates Images



What does it do?



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR

### Modes

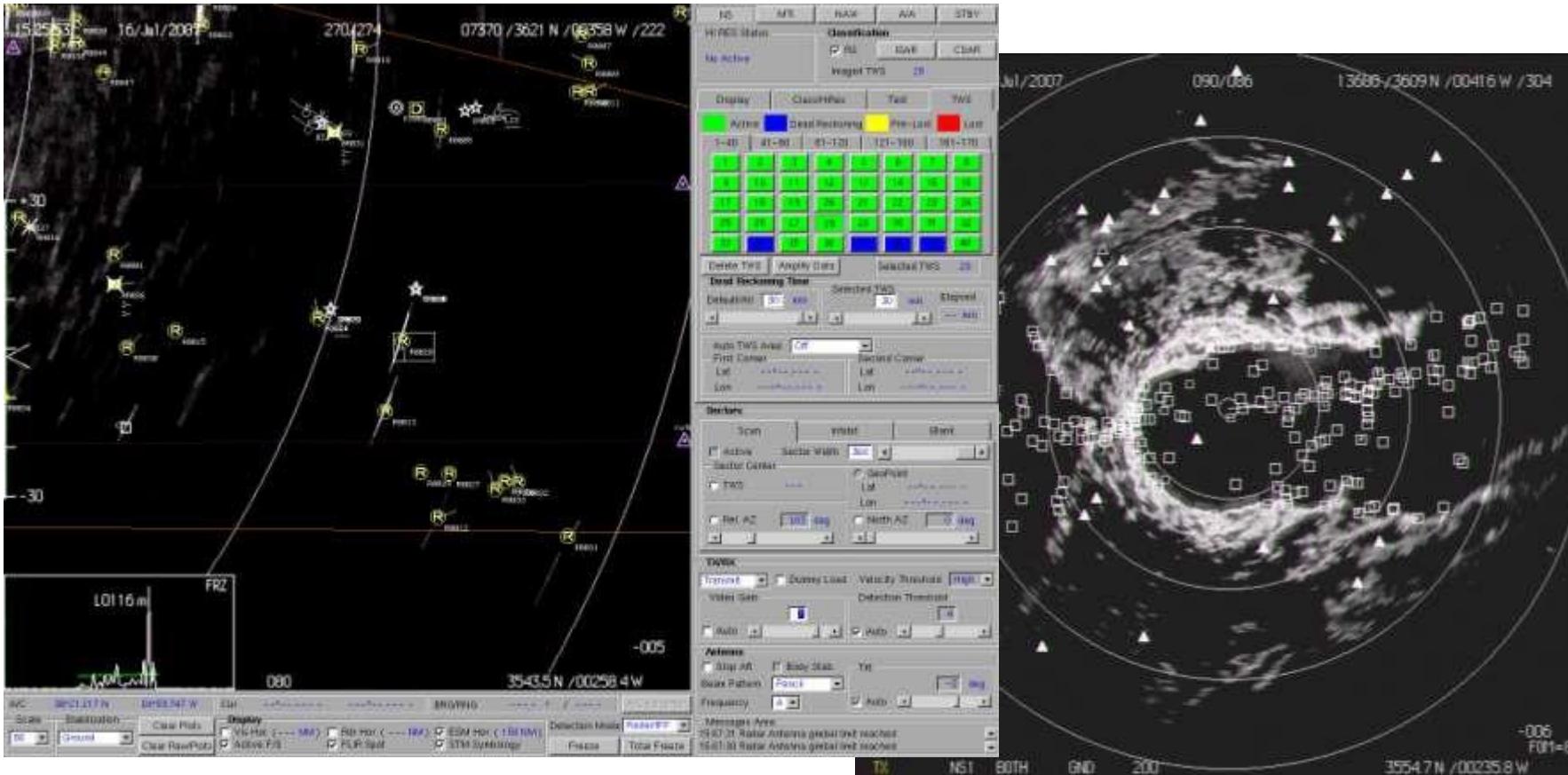
- Surface Search
  - Long Range Search (ASuW)
  - Short Range / Small targets detection (ASW)
- Air to Air
- MTI
- Imaging modes
  - Ground Mapping
  - Maritime targets classification: ISAR, Range Profile, CSAR
- Weather Avoidance
- DETECT AND AVOID (neither ISR nor ASW function, but extremely important)



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

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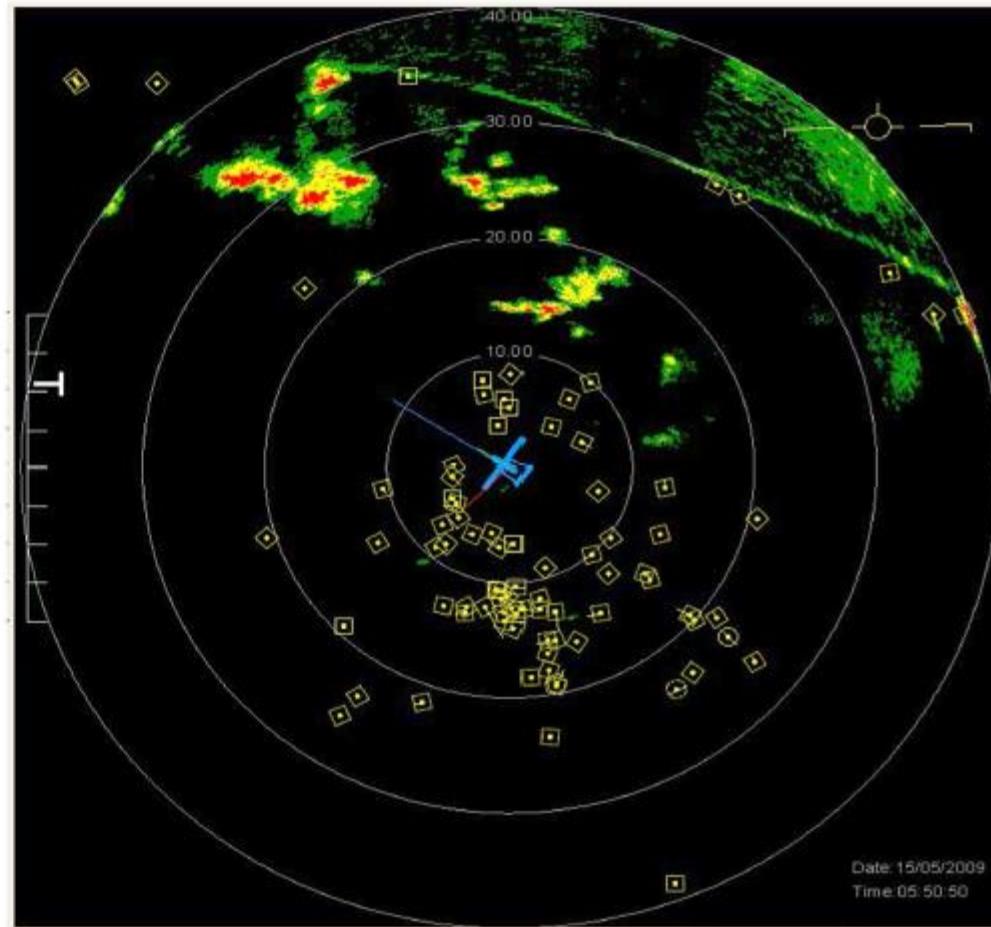
### Modes: Surface Search



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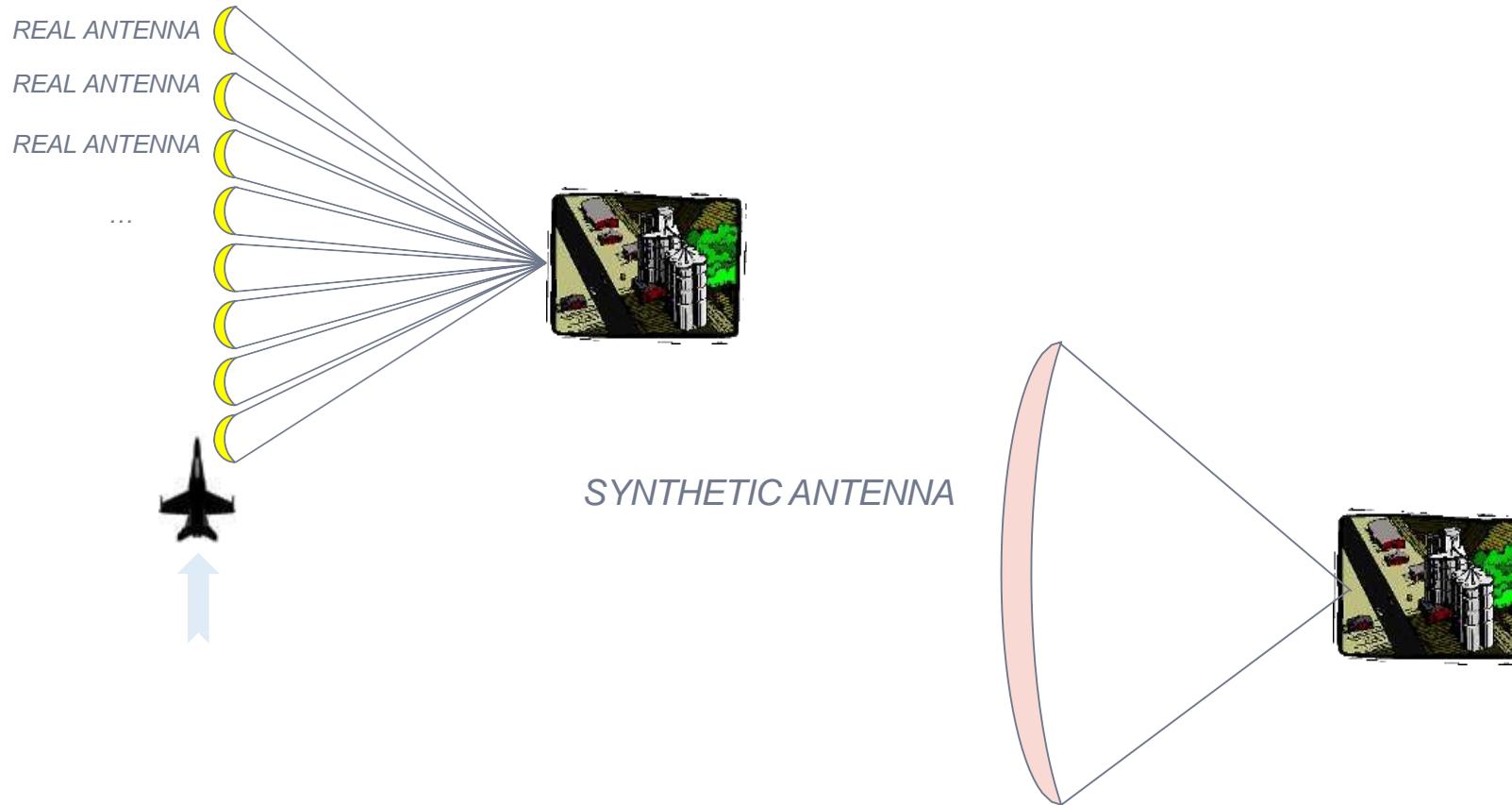
Modes: Navigation &  
Weather



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR

Modes: Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR)



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR – SAR Image



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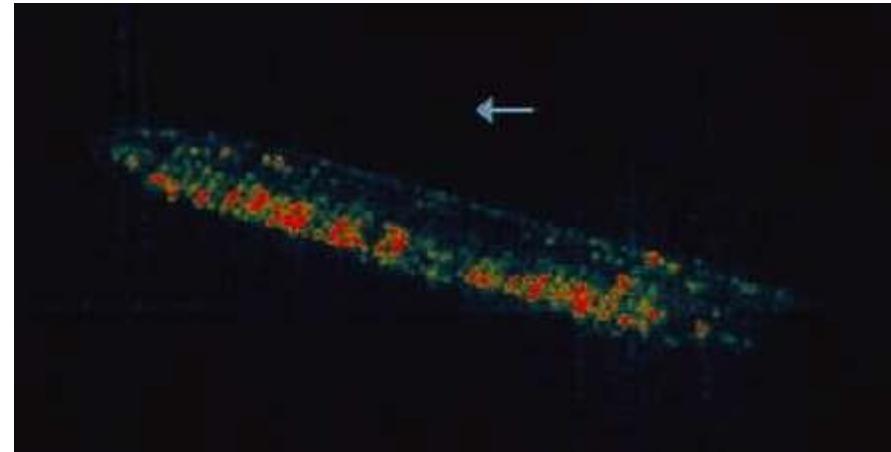
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# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

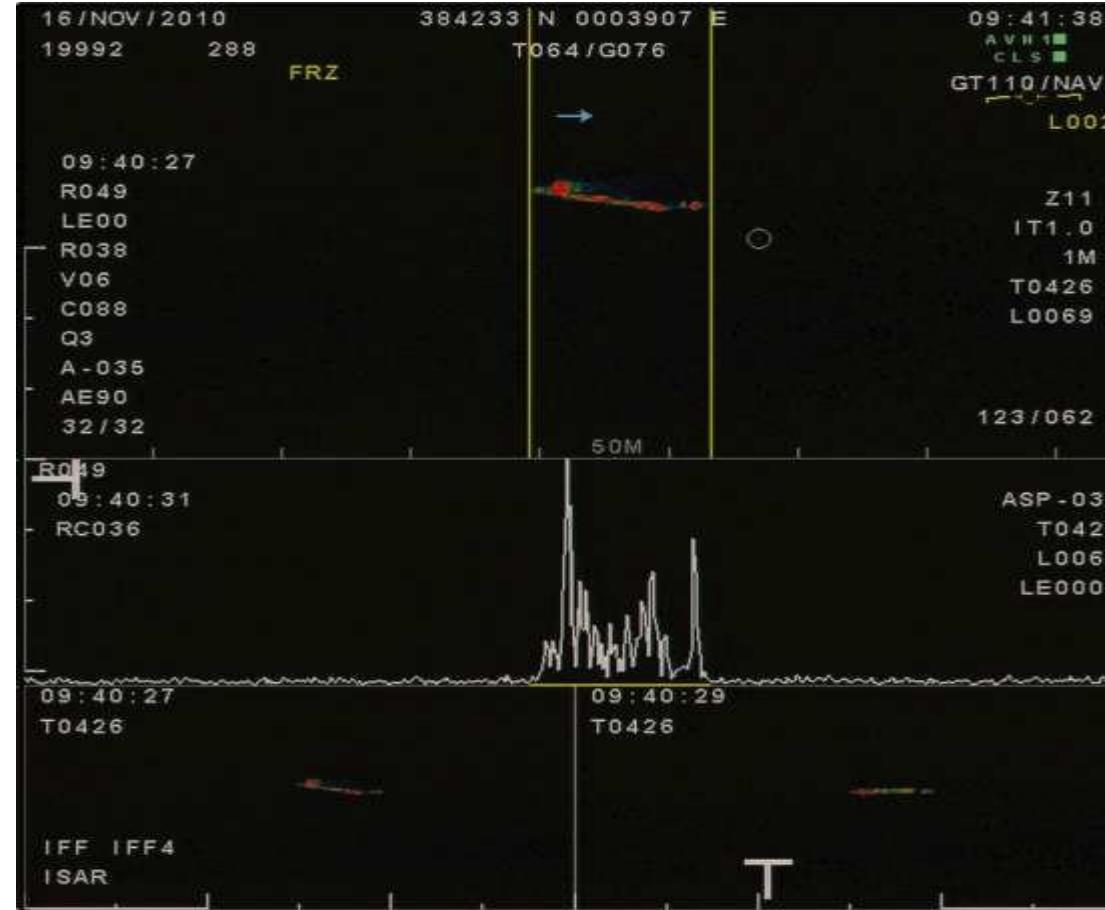
## ➤ RADAR – Isar Mode

- Ships / Surface targets classification
- Inverse SAR: Automatic plots extraction
  - Uses ships movement to obtain shape
  - High Sea States / small targets: optimum
  - only one dimension



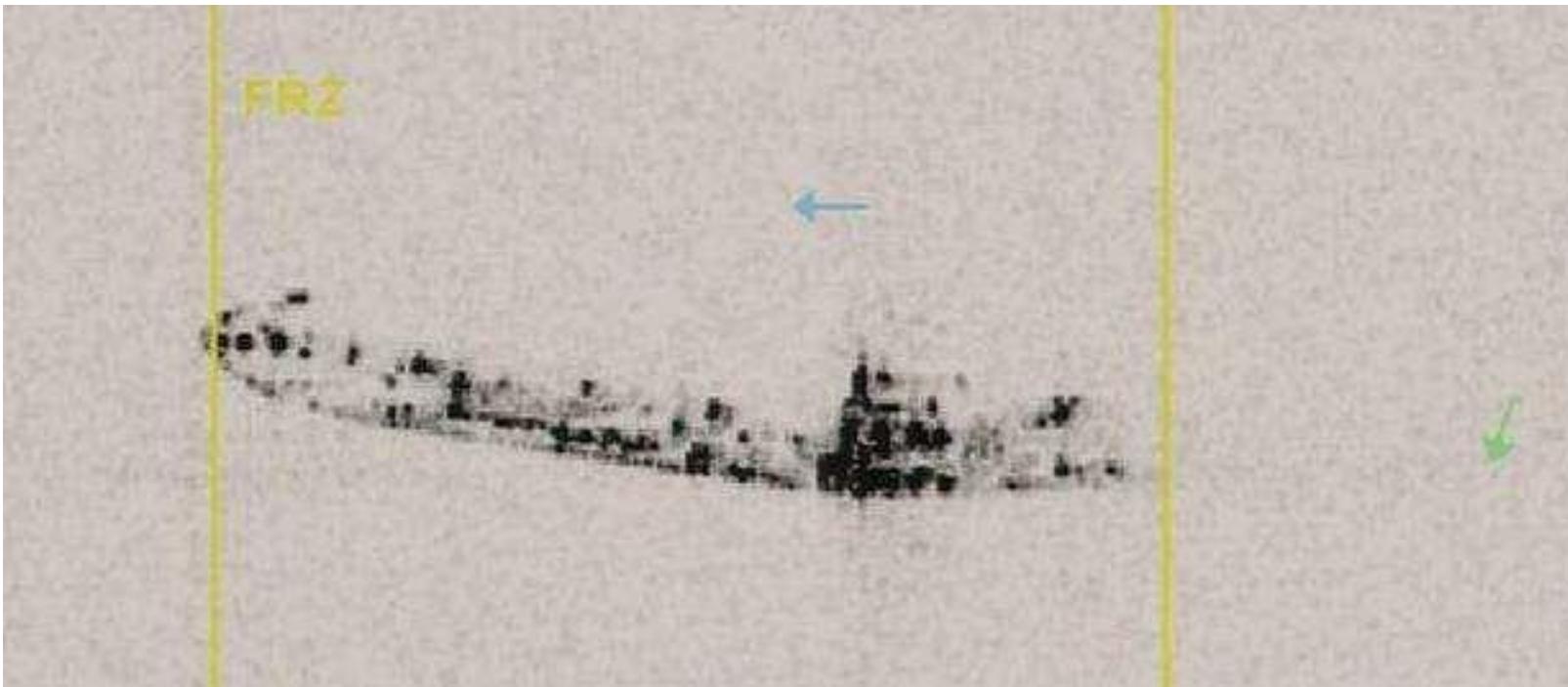
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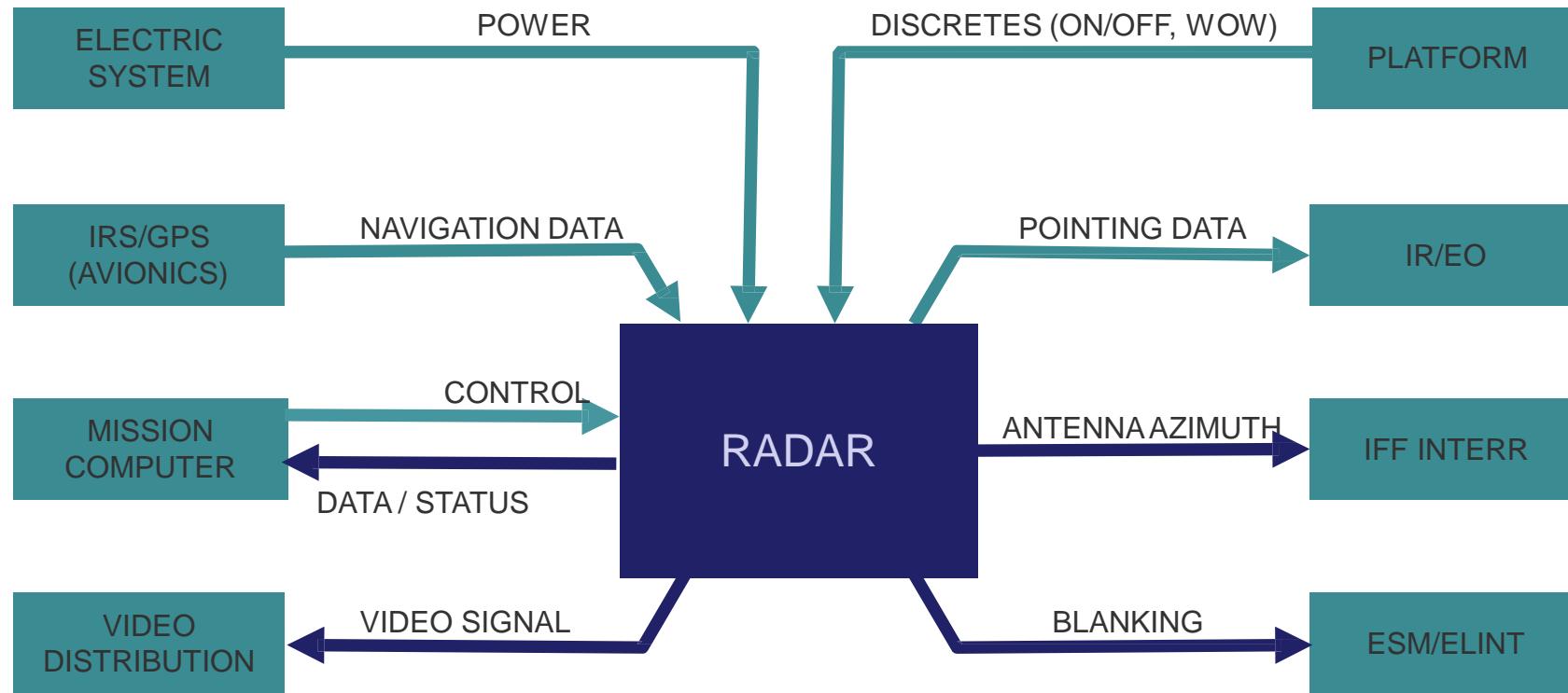
# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR – GMTI over SAR



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR – External Interfaces



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR

### Components / Equipment

- Transmitter
- Antenna
- Receiver
- Signal / Data Processor
- RF Auxiliary

NOTE sometimes packing is different:

- Receiver + Transmitter = R/T  
Or
- Signal Processor + Data Processor + Receiver = Radar Processor



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR

### **Transmitter**

- RF pulse amplifier
- Based in Travelling Wave Tube (TWT)
- Highly coherent
- Big Power Consumer
- Most heat dissipating Radar unit: cooling!

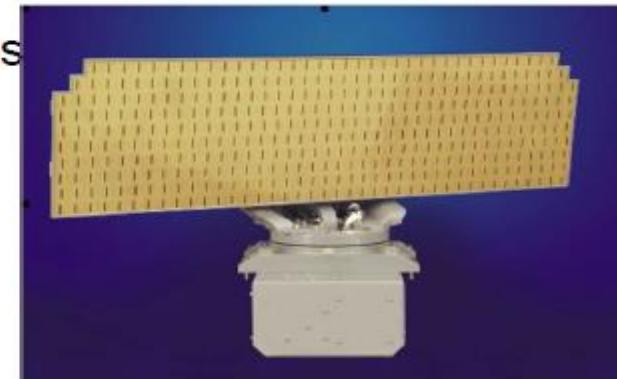
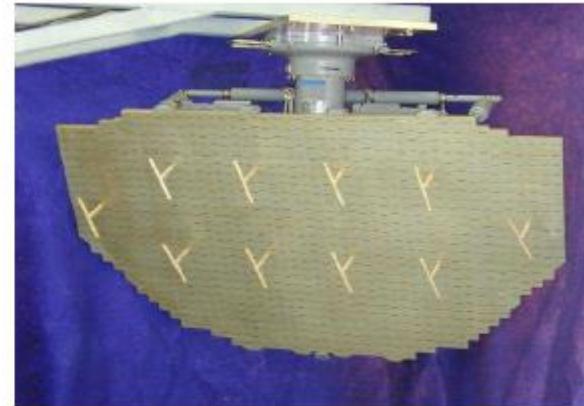


# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR

### **Antenna**

- Radiates energy into the air
- Elements:
  - Radiating element
  - Pedestal
  - Motors
  - Rotary joint
- Monopulse: AZ and / or EL channels to increase angular resolution



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR

### **Signal Processor**

- Processes receiver output (A/D)
- Targets detection (CFAR)
- Image generation algorithms
- Sends target information / images to Data processor



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ RADAR

Mechanical Installation  
/LRU location



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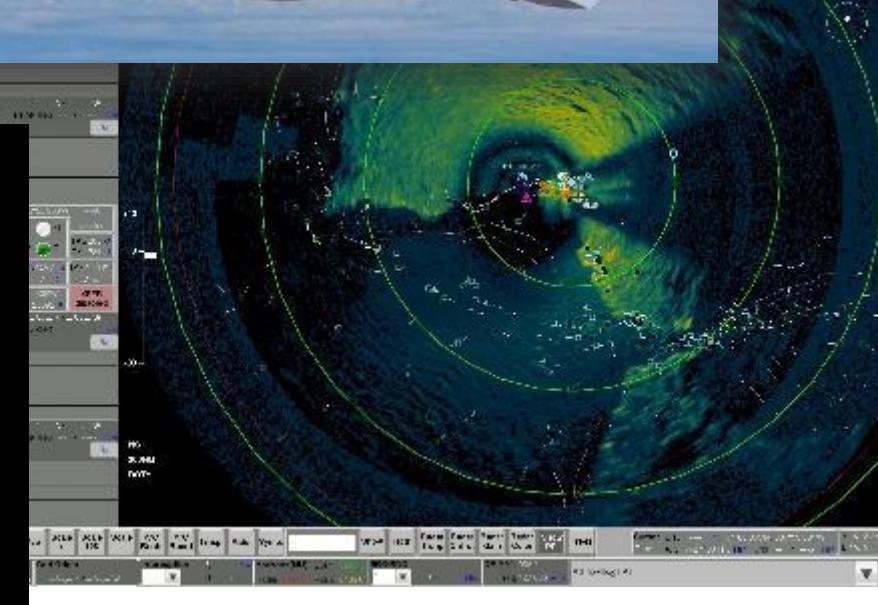
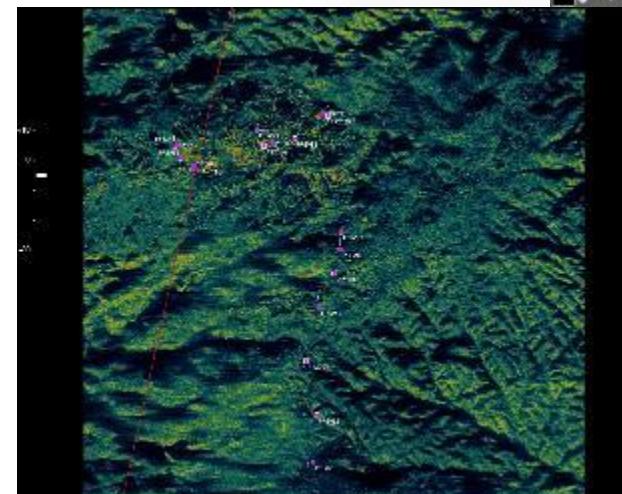
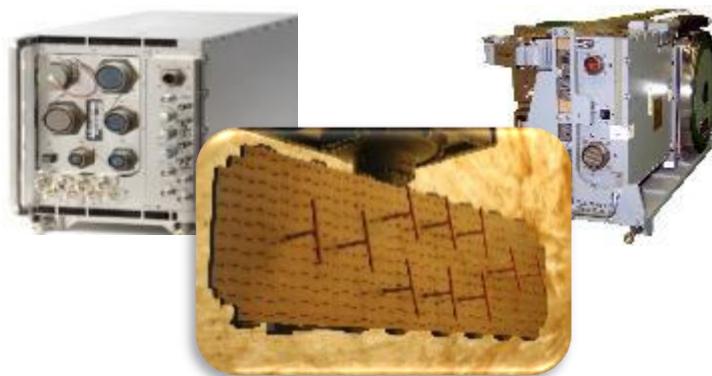
## ➤ RADAR



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## Multimode RADAR

- Description
- Primary sensors for many missions.
- Ground and Sea Surface as well as Air-to-Air long range surveillance and detection capability.
- Imaging modes – Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) techniques.
- Allows the operator to detect, classify, identify.



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ EO/IR

### EO/IR Remote Sensing

**EO:** Electro Optical Sensors, are devices that sense light or light changes and ...

... convert them into imagery representation or

... extract information from them that is converted into data

**Light:** Photons or electromagnetic radiation in the visible spectrum, expanded by the Infrared and Ultraviolet spectrum

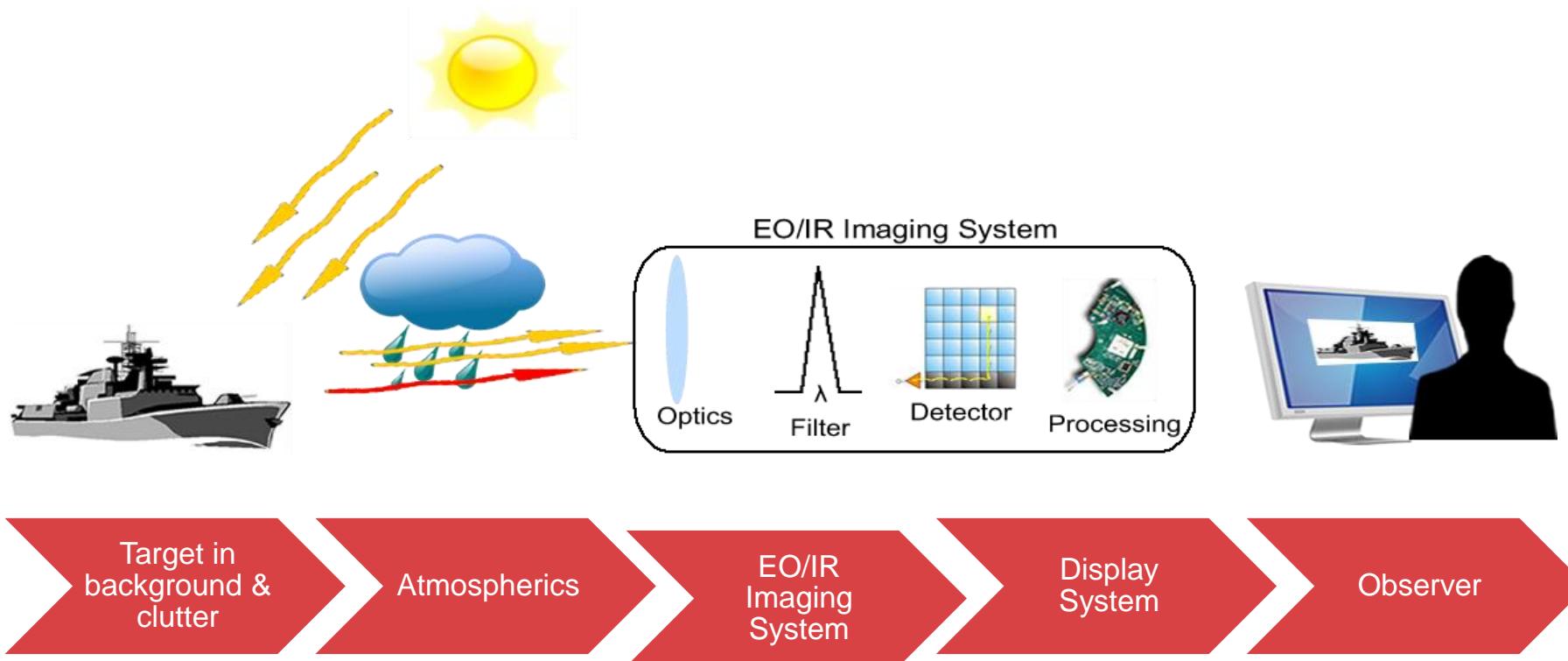
**Information:** E.g. colour (wavelength(s)) and intensity (amplitude) at a direction (angular coordinates). Further data processing may filter clusters/patterns and conclude on their kinematics and identity



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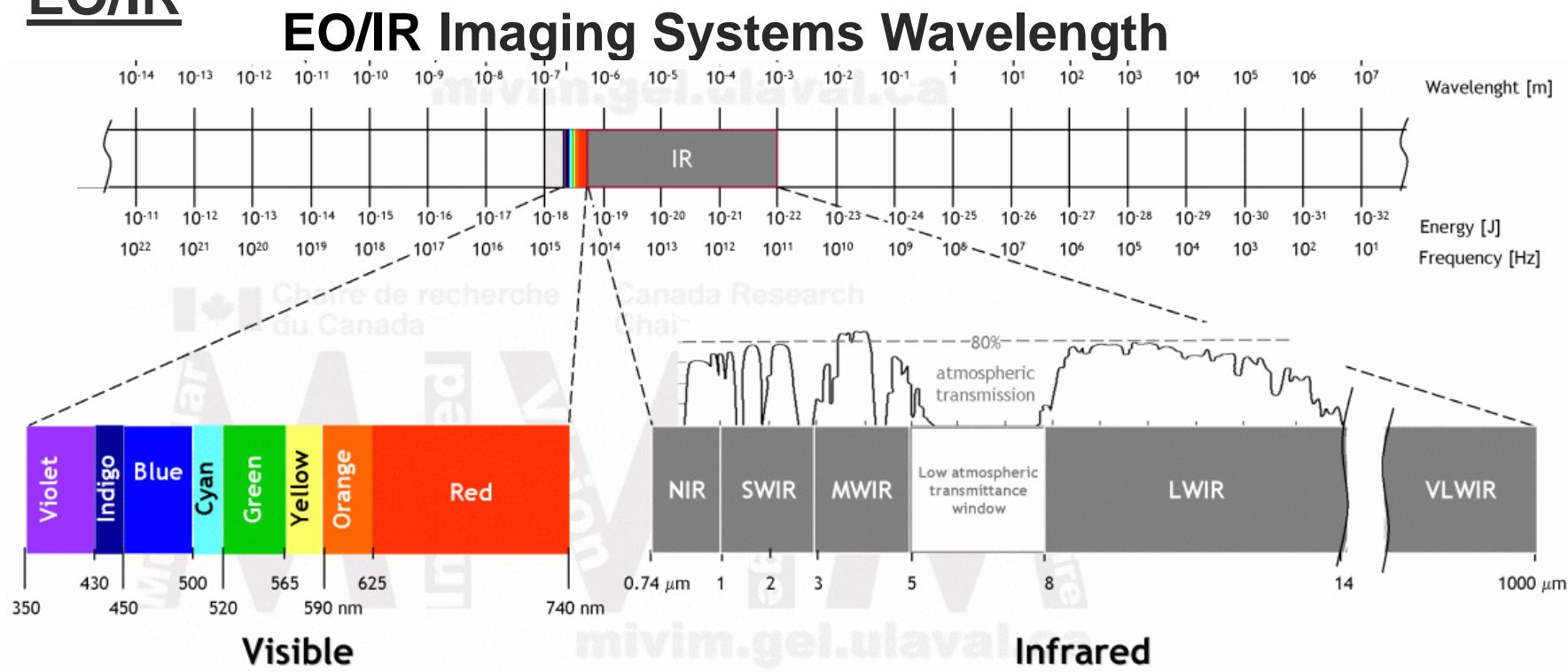
## ➤ EO/IR

### EO/IR Remote Sensing



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ EO/IR



- 1. Reflection of incident radiation (Visible, NIR, SWIR (Short Wavelength IR))**
- 2. Emission by the own target because of its temperature(MWIR, LWIR)**



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS



## ➤ EO/IR

### EO/IR Remote Sensing

- **NIR:** near infrared, de 0,74 a 1  $\mu\text{m}$ , muy pegado al visible (se suele utilizar para tener mejor visibilidad en el ocaso)
- **SWIR:** longitud de onda de 0,9 a 1,7  $\mu\text{m}$  principalmente, aunque puede abarcar de 1 a 3. Se utilizan para capturar imágenes a través de humo, niebla y neblina (única longitud de onda capaz de penetrarla)
- **MWIR:** longitud de onda de 3 a 5  $\mu\text{m}$ . Se utilizan para detectar ciertos gases (metano, propano, etanol, etc), por lo que son de gran utilidad en drones para vigilar determinadas maquinarias o infraestructuras
- **LWIR:** longitud de onda de 8 a 14  $\mu\text{m}$ . Se utilizan cuando se quiere hacer inspección de temperatura



# **ISR&ASW SYSTEMS**

## ➤ **EO/IR - Equipment**

- Turret
- Control Processor/Electronics Unit
- Operator Input Devices



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ EO/IR - Equipment

### Turret

- Houses EO/IR optical sensors
- IMU may be mounted onto optical bench
- Functions:
  - Shields sensors from environment  
(hermetically sealed)
  - Provides pointing in azimuth and elevation
  - Provides stabilization to preserve sensor fidelity



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ EO/IR - Equipment

### **Control Processor/Electronics Units**

- Central connection point for all system LRU's and interface to external equipment.
- Power input for the whole system (28VDC)
- Contains:
  - Main processor
  - Video processing cards
  - Interface Cards
  - AVT Card (autotracker)
  - GPS Receiver



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ EO/IR - Equipment

### Control Processor/Electronics Units

- Integration advances makes possible to include this components into the turret



Control  
Processor



AVT



GPS Rx



IR Video Processor



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ EO/IR - Equipment Operator Control Device

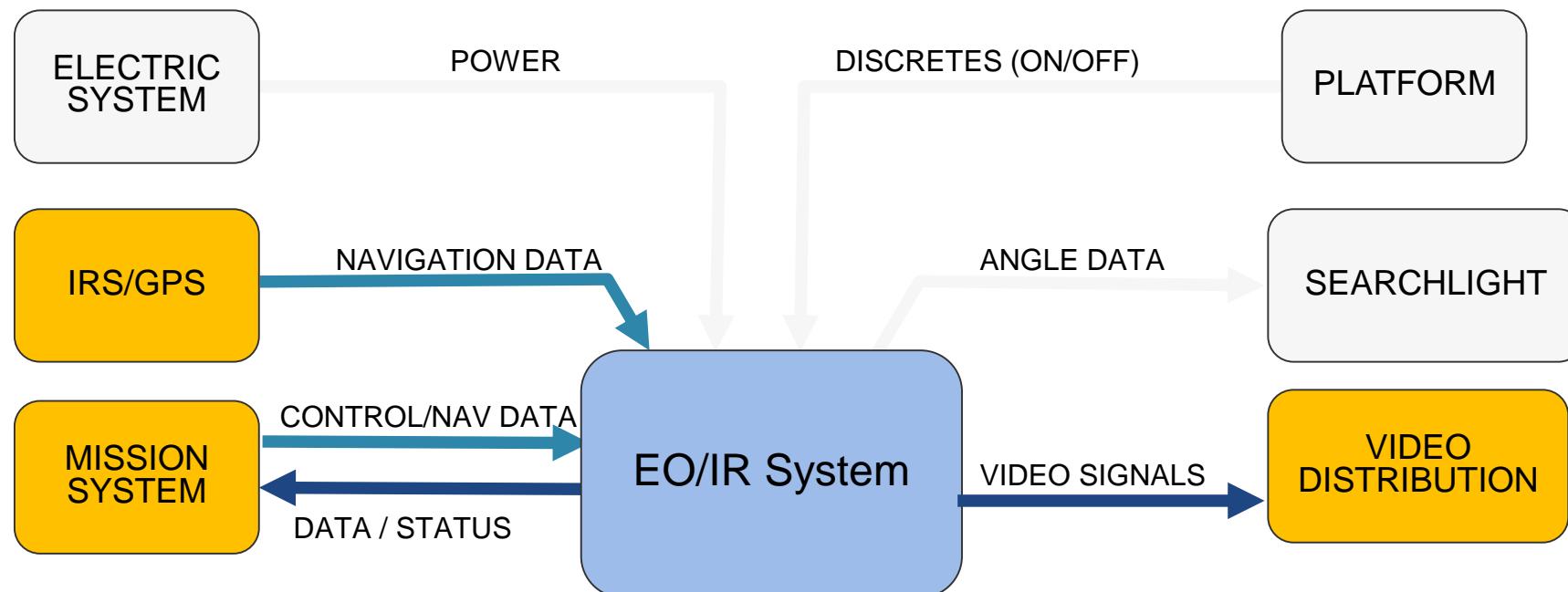
- Slew transducer to allow gimbal steering
- Field of View, mode of operation, sensor selection,...



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ EO/IR - Architecture

### Basic EO/IR Architecture – External interfaces



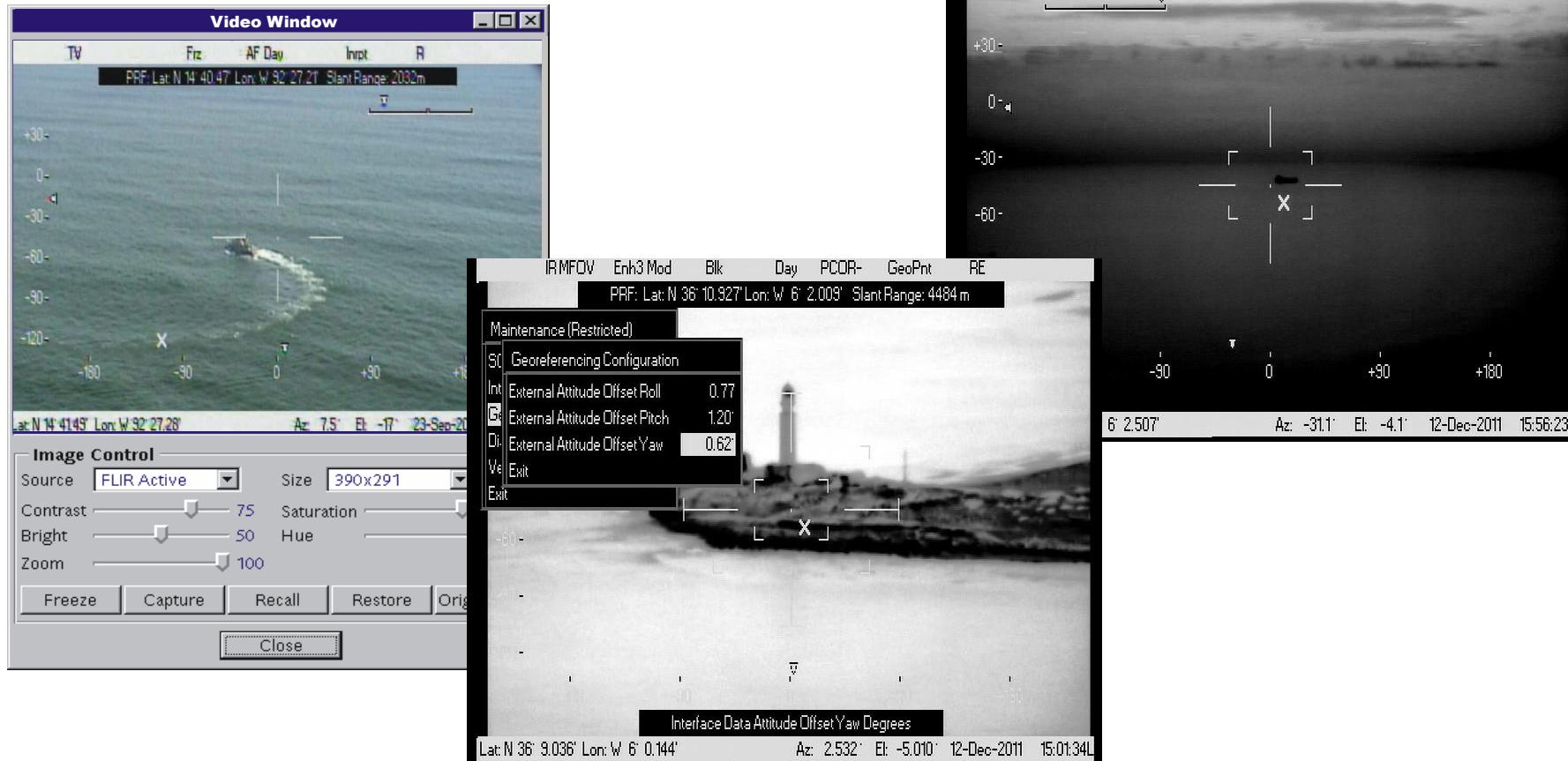
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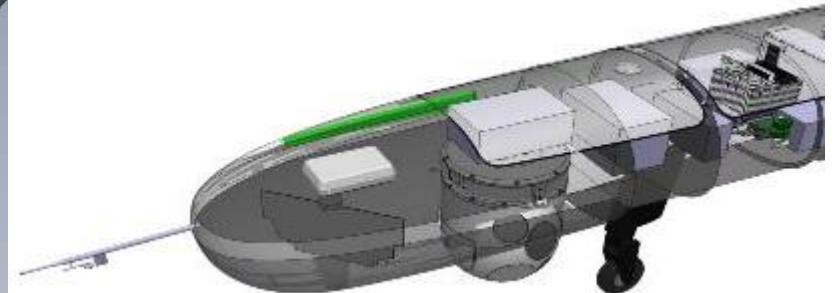
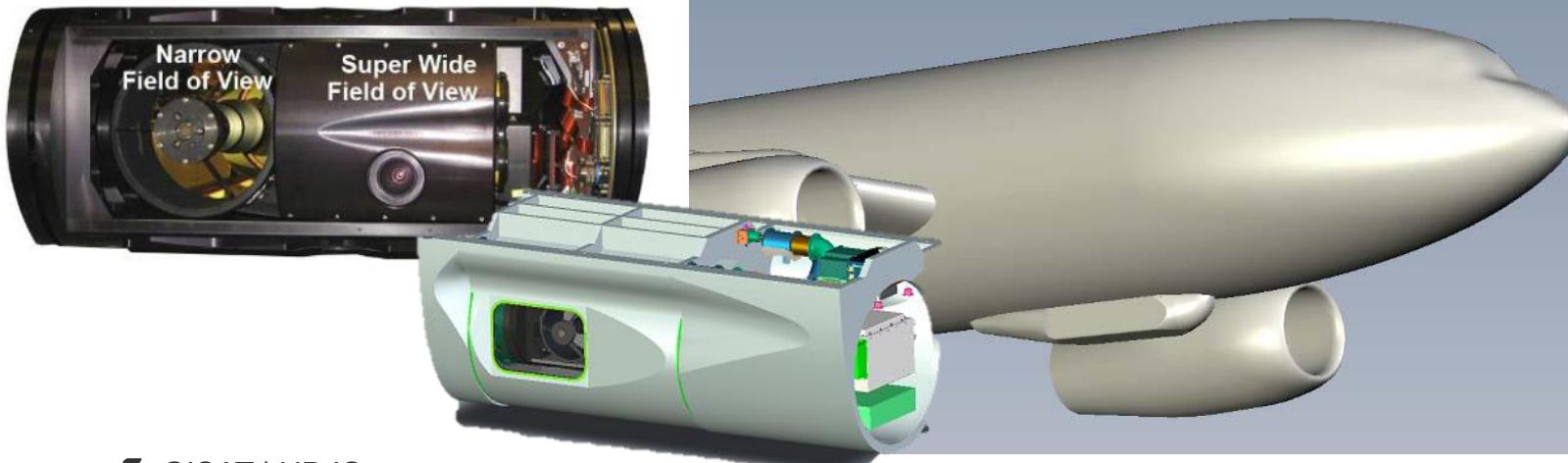


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# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## EO/IR Imaging Systems

- Description
- Provides multi-spectral video or imagery (LWIR or MWIR, SWIR, NIR and Visible).
- Allows the operator to detect, classify, identify and track a target.
- Basic ISR general sensor, applies to multiple missions



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ESM/ELINT

- Description
- Provides capability to detect and analyse RADAR emitters in an specific frequency band. (Typically 2 GHz to 18 GHz, optional 0,5 GHz to 2 GHz and 18GHz to 40 GHz)
- Capability to intercept, track, analyse, geolocate and identify RF emissions.
- Capability to record track information, pulse and audio at operator's request during the mission to be deeper analysed on ground after the flight.
- Capability of real time on-board intrapulse analysis.
- Capacity of audio alarm (upon threat detection) and audio track.
- Self-protection of the platform through Radar Warning function and integration with the countermeasure systems (Chaff & Flares, MAWS).



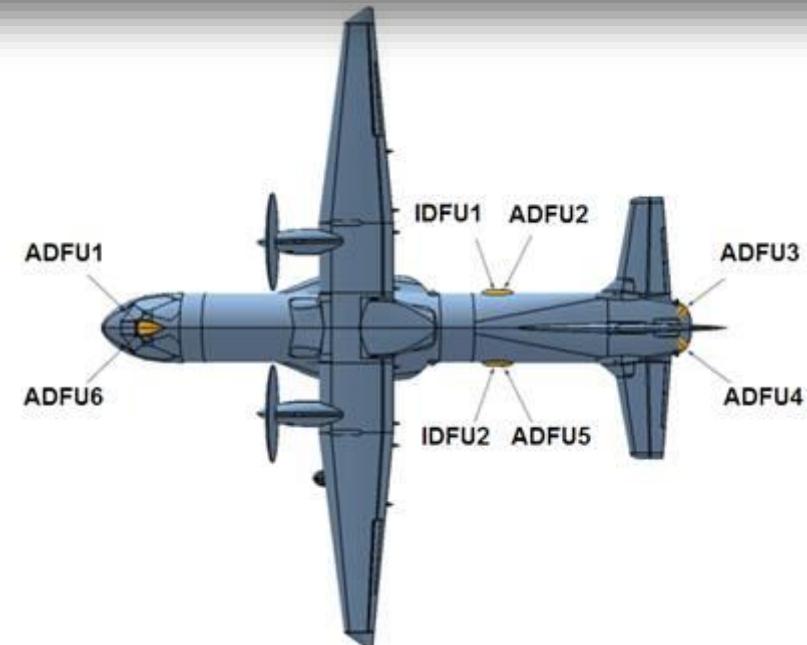
Heron RPAS with ELINT antenna suite. Photo IAI's website

# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ESM/ELINT

### Installation

- ESM systems deal with specific installation constraints due to the nature of the high frequency signals processed. These constraints affect the installation of the equipment in the aircraft: antennae/radome installation, distance and RF signal wiring (length, routing/bending).
- Antenna installation:
  - ✓ Line of sight free of obstacles in elevation (Typically +/- 60° or +/- 90°)
  - ✓ Line of sight free of obstacles in azimuth (Typically 150°, but 180° desirable)
  - ✓ Antennae spaced each 60°



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ESM/ELINT

### Hot Topics

- Other systems on the aircraft (own systems) operating in the ESM band will cause false detections and saturation (even damage) on the aircraft ESM.
  - ✓ Blanking signals: Radar Altimeter; IFF; CIT; Search Radar.../
  - ✓ Antenna relocation
  - ✓ Filters
- Need for Calibration procedures:
  - ✓ GROUND: Installation on the aircraft → Dedicated ground test (adjustments if necessary)
  - ✓ FLIGHT: Specific flight test. Data gathering and analysis. Known emmitters

# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

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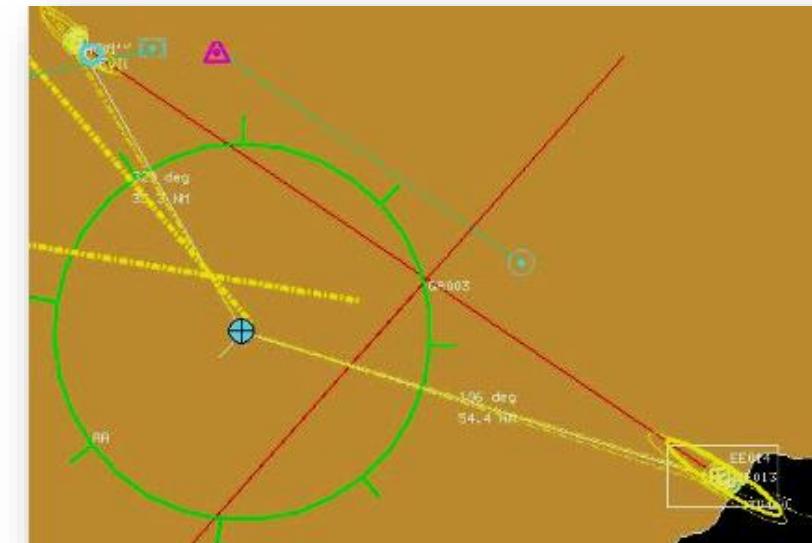
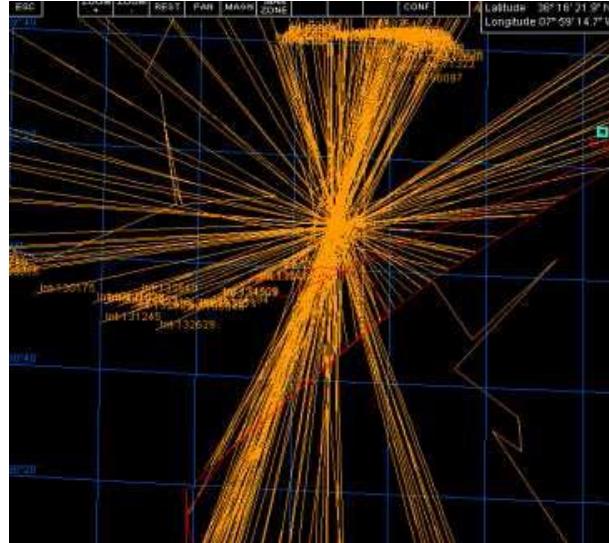
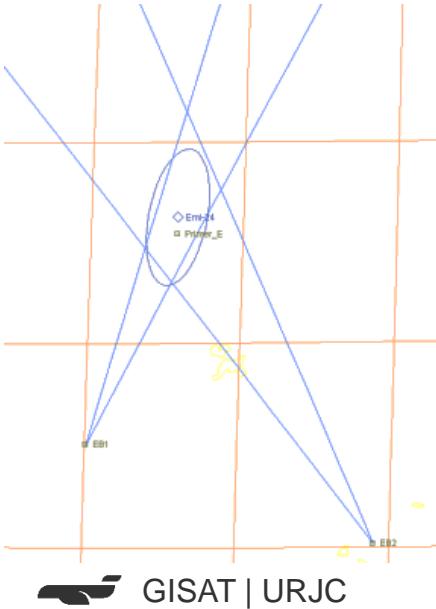
### Hot Topics

System's performance qualification

- Geolocation Accuracy:

- To have a good geolocalization it is required a rectilinear and levelled flight.
- It is necessary as well to have Known position Radars
- The more quantity of information the better geolocalization

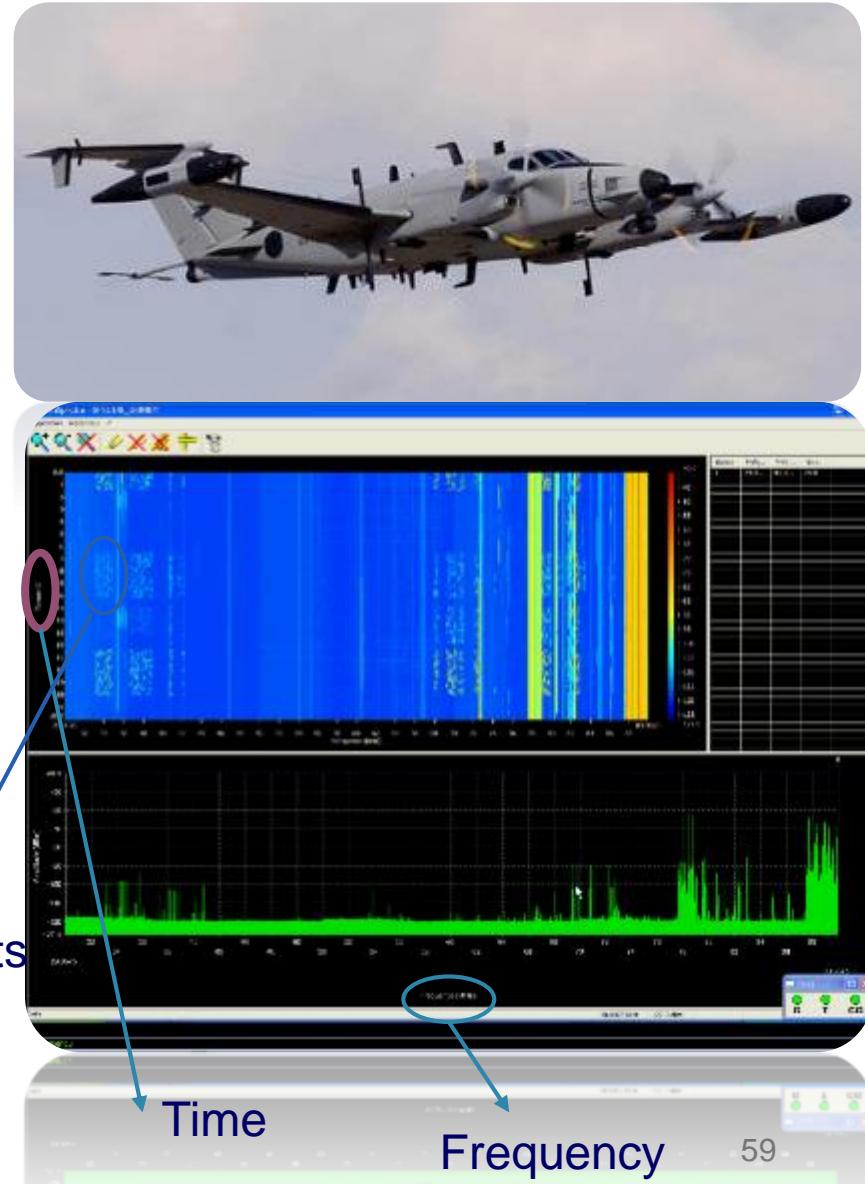
*For a Radar at 80NM, the ellipse mayor radius could have around 10 Km*



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## COMINT

- Description
- COMINT stands for Communication Intelligence
- The system main task is the intelligence-gathering of communications by interception of radiofrequency signals
- The primary functions of COMINT Systems are:
  - ✓ Search and Interception of the communications
  - ✓ Direction Finding (DF) and geolocation of the emitter
  - ✓ Building EOB-including all nets and emitters
  - ✓ Signal Analysis
  - ✓ Monitoring of the communications
  - ✓ Recording of the signals detected to perform on ground analysis
- Performance linked to installation complexity and flight profile



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## COMINT

### Installation

- COMINT processors and servers are installed in avionics racks
- COMINT antennae are the critical element to achieve good DF performances in signal detection, installed at the same horizontal plane
- The covered RF band and the accuracy of the Angle of Arrival (AoA) determine the shape and size of the interferometric array
- Typical communication frequency signals detected by COMINT systems are included in the band from 20 MHz to 3 GHz (opt. 2 MHz to 20 MHz), that is approximately signals with wavelength from 150 cm to 10 cm. Wavelength values are relevant as the AoA accuracy is directly related to the aperture of the COMINT antenna array. The array aperture has to cover 1 or several times the wavelength of the interesting signals
- Covering different frequency bands implies different arrays, each one with the appropriate aperture
- The antennae of the array are placed at different relatives positions in order to cover the different wavelengths included in the frequency band



Complex system –  
High Perf



Simple system – Lower Pe

# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## COMINT

### Hot Topics

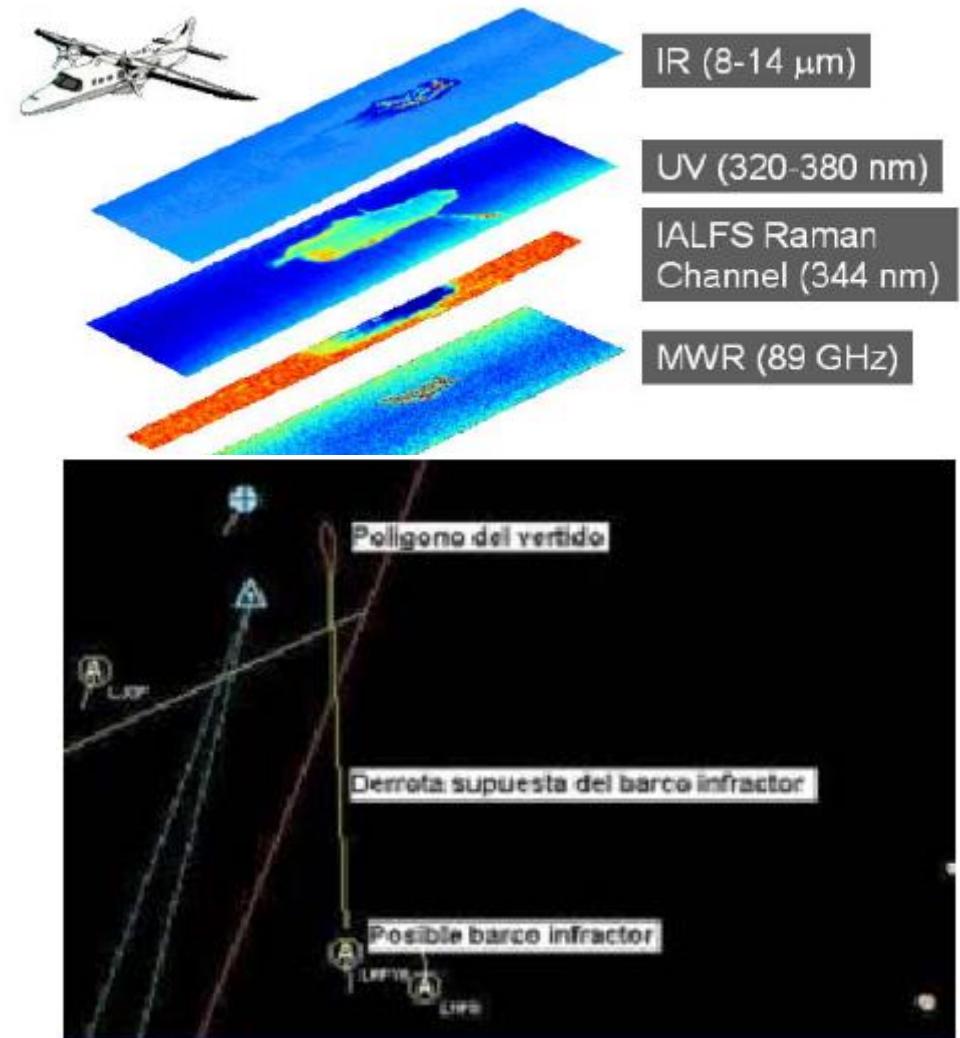
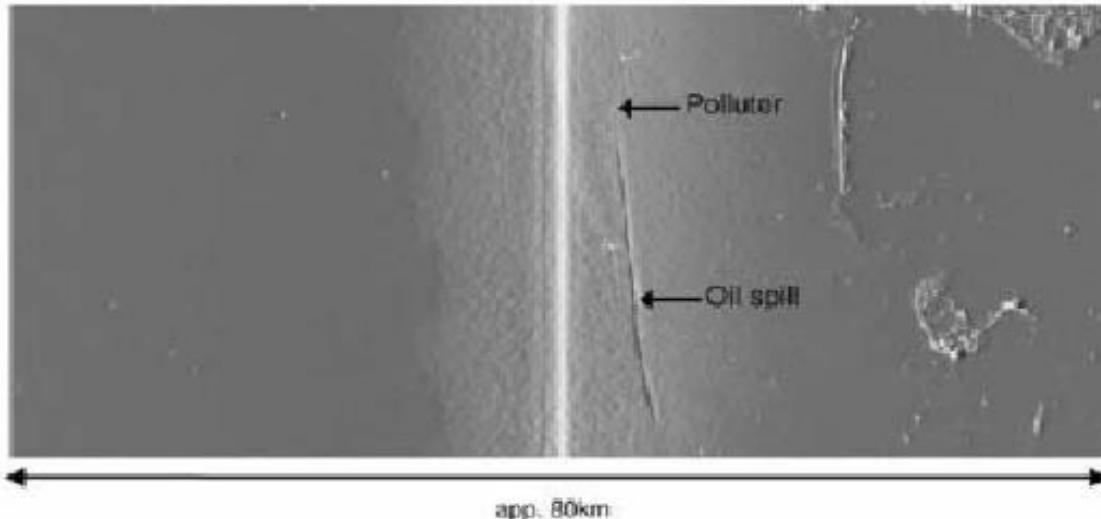
- Antennae location
- Other systems on the aircraft (own systems) operating in the COMINT band will cause false detections and saturation on the aircraft COMINT: Search Radar, IFF interrogator, VUHF radios, DME, WBDL, TCAS, LINK16...
- System's performance qualification:
  - Suppliers only commits the performances demonstrated at lab level
  - Customer requires the performances to be demonstrated at aircraft level and in operational conditions
  - It is difficult to achieve a controlled environment for performance evaluation
  - Needs collaborative emitter stations (i.e. from national armies/air forces)
  - Calibration Flights might be needed if calibration on ground not enough. Require specific support equipment and administrative authorization (use of spectrum)



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## Sea Pollution Sensors

- Description
- A Sea Pollution Detection System consists on a combination of short and long range sensors intended for the detection, recording and analysis of maritime pollution data.
- These systems, together with a tactical system monitoring the maritime traffic, enables the offending vessel identification, and therefore, reports generation to be used in a legal way against it.



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## Sea Pollution Detection Systems

- For pollution agents Detection and Identification  
**Long Range Sensors:**
  - ✓ SLAR: Side Looking Airborne Radar
  - ✓ SAR (Synthetic Aperture Radar) Imaging modes
  - ✓ SAR images from satellite
- For Sizing (area, thickness, volume) and pollution agents Classification  
**Short Range Sensors:**
  - ✓ IR/UV Line Scanner
  - ✓ VIS: Visual Scanner
  - ✓ MWR: Microwaves Scanner
  - ✓ IALFS: Imaging Laser FluoroSensor
  - ✓ LFSL: Laser FluoroSensor Light
- For data Processing, Analysis, Presentation and Storage:
  - ✓ Operation Central Unit
  - ✓ Ground Station

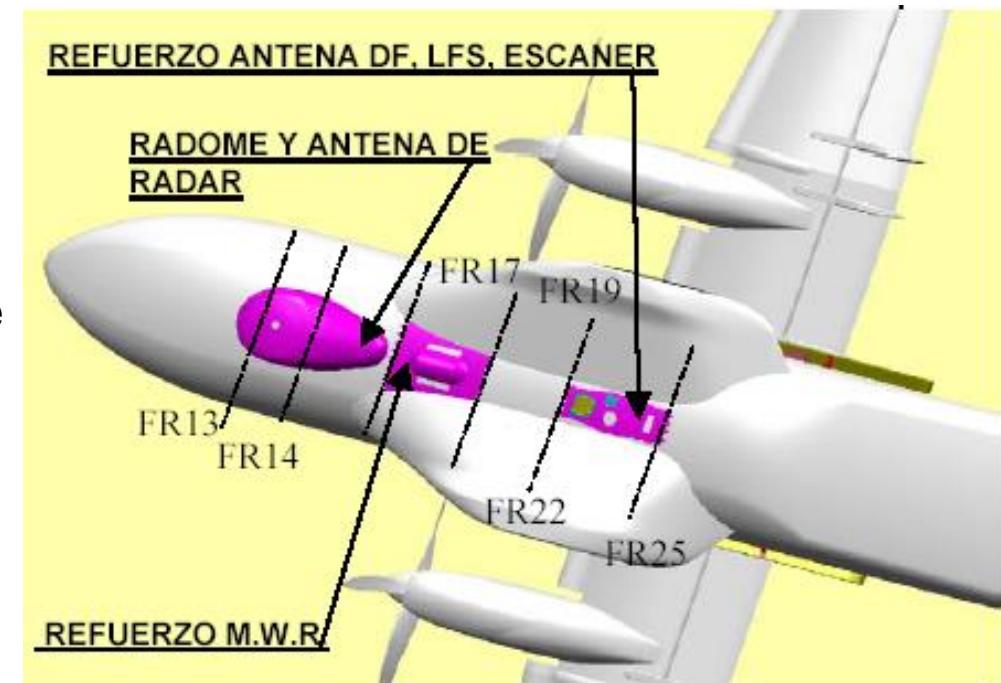
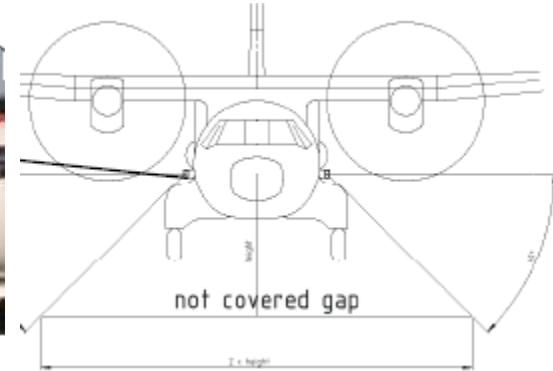
	SLAR	IR	UV	MWR	IALFS	LFS
<b>Alcance</b>	20NM a cada lado		2 x altura de vuelo		0.5 x altura de vuelo.	N/A
<b>Clasificación de contaminantes</b>		NO			SI	
<b>Sensible a los espesores</b>	N/A	>2µm	>0,1µm	50µm to 2.5mm	0,1µm to 20µm	
<b>Resolución espacial</b>	37.7m en alcance y 75m en rumbo		3.5m	>5m	10m píxel a píxel	N/A
<b>Detección de contaminante bajo el agua</b>		NO			SI	
<b>Operable por la noche</b>	SI	SI	NO		SI	
<b>Medida de espesores</b>		NO		50µm to 2.5mm	0,1µm to 20µm	
<b>Inhabilitado por meteorología</b>		Nubes			Nubes	

# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## Sea Pollution Detection Systems

### Installation of the Main Sensors

- SLAR
  - ✓ Transponder is installed in avionics racks
  - ✓ Antennae: one at each side of fuselage, simetrically or just one in the simetry axis of the aircraft; upper side os the antenna during horizontal flight must be as horizontal as possible
- Scanners
  - ✓ Control unit is installed in avionics racks or under floor
  - ✓ Scan Head: allocated in the bottom side of the fuselage where a window shall be opened (protected by a door to prevent the glass from damages during take off and landing) which shall allow the vision field required by the sensor ( $90^\circ$ ) perpendicular to flight direction, centered with simetry aircraft axis



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## Sea Pollution Detection Systems

### Hot Topics

- May need to spill vegetable oil in the sea to demonstrate system performance
- Difficult test to accomplish, vegetable oil disappears very quickly
- Collaboration with local agencies fighting sea pollution.
- Can be verified to some extent using targets of opportunity

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## ➤ AIS - Definition

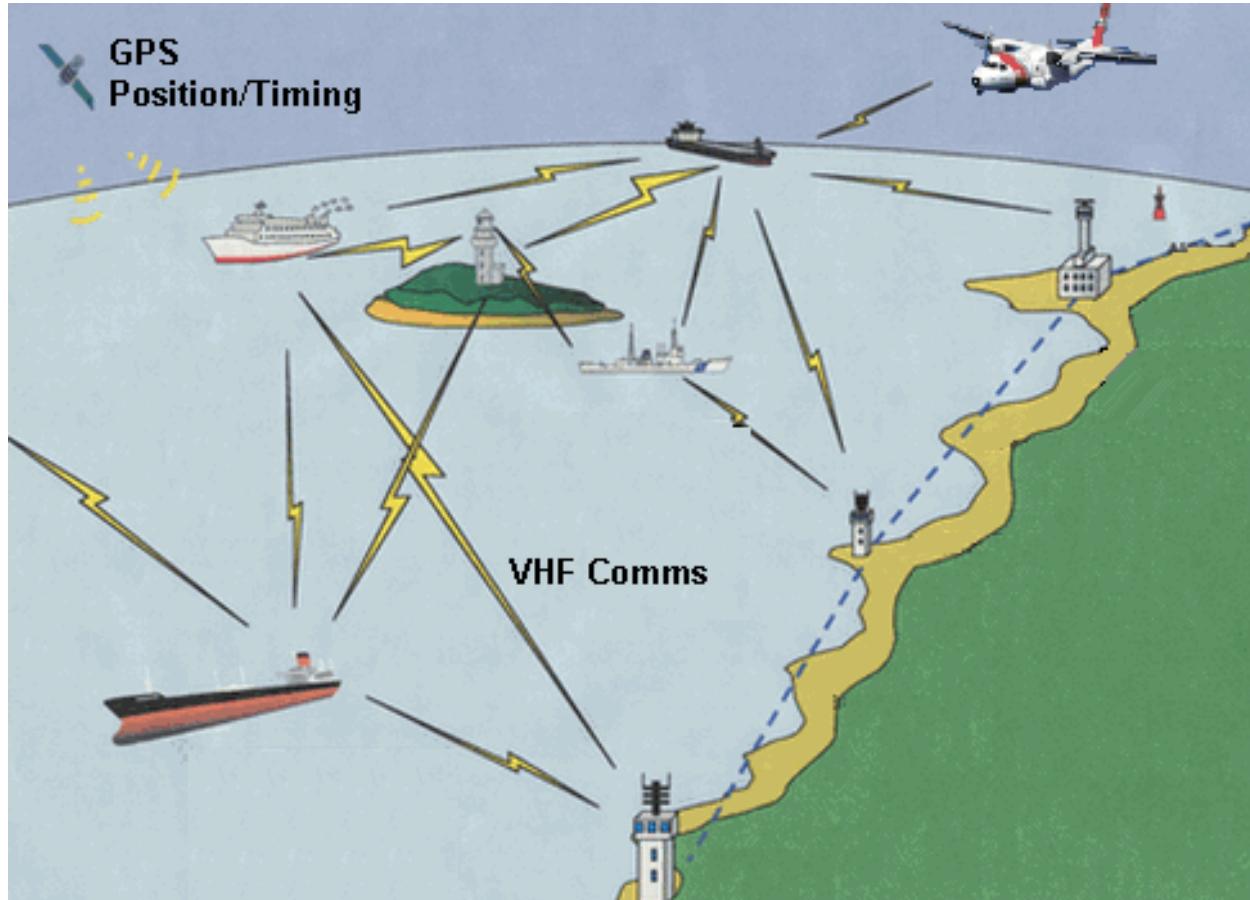
What is the Automatic Identification System (AIS)?

- An AIS transponder determines its own position, speed and course using a built in GPS receiver.
- This information is combined with other important navigation information and automatically communicated between AIS equipped targets without any user interaction.
- AIS data exchange is over VHF radio frequencies.
- AIS transponder can be installed on ships, airborne and shore stations.
- AIS transponder supplied by SAAB.



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## ➤ AIS - Conops



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AIS identifies AIS fitted targets...



...and what happens if not all ships have AIS or some that have AIS have it turned off?

The International Maritime Organization's International Convention for *the Safety of Life at Sea* (SOLAS) requires AIS to be fitted aboard:

- All ships with gross tonnage (GT) of 300 or more tons engaged in international voyages
- All ships with gross tonnage (GT) of 500 or more tons not engaged in international voyages.
- Passenger ships regardless of size.

Additionally, a number of other countries have started AIS mandate programs which require large numbers of vessels to fit an AIS device for safety and national security purposes, including its use on boats.

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## ➤ AIS - Conops

What is the AIS used for?

- AIS was developed to identify and locate targets providing extra precise information that can be used in **collision avoidance**.
- **Traffic Services:** In busy waters, AIS provides additional traffic awareness and information about the configuration and movements of targets.
- **Maritime Security:** AIS data fused with radar systems allows the authorities to differentiate between targets more easily.
- **Search and Rescue:** AIS can provide data on the position and navigation status of other targets in the vicinity. AIS can enhance awareness of available resources.
- **Accident investigation:** AIS provides accurate data on time, identity, GPS-based position, heading, COG, speed, etc. rather than the less accurate information provided by radar.

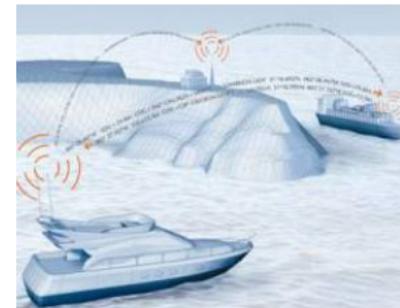


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## ➤ AIS - Conops

AIS information **supplements RADAR**, enhancing a RADAR picture when used together:

- AIS detects equipped targets in situations where the RADAR detection is limited (poor weather conditions).
- RADAR does not depend on signal transmissions from targets.
- VHF radio signals 'see around the corner' giving better coverage than RADAR.
- AIS not only locates but identifies targets, providing extra information.
- Discrimination of targets: AIS targets not mistaken for waves, rocks...
- AIS low power consumption



RADAR LRU	115 V 400Hz	28VDC (W)
	Consumption (VA)	Consumption (W)
AP	200	280
RT	1725	28
SP	517.5	N/A

AIS LRU	28VDC (W) Consumption (W)	
	TX-On	70
AIS Transponder	TX-Off	17
GPS Antenna	From AIS Transponder	
VHF Antenna	N/A	



# ISR&ASW SYSTEMS

## ➤ AIS - Conops

### *AIS Report data:*

- MMSI
- Navigational Status
- Rate of Turn
- Speed over Ground (SOG)
- Position
- Course over Ground (COG)
- True Heading
- IMO Number
- Category
- Ship's Name
- Type of Ship
- Dimensions
- Type of position fixing device
- Draught of ship
- Destination
- Call Sign
- Estimated Time of Arrival
- Nationality

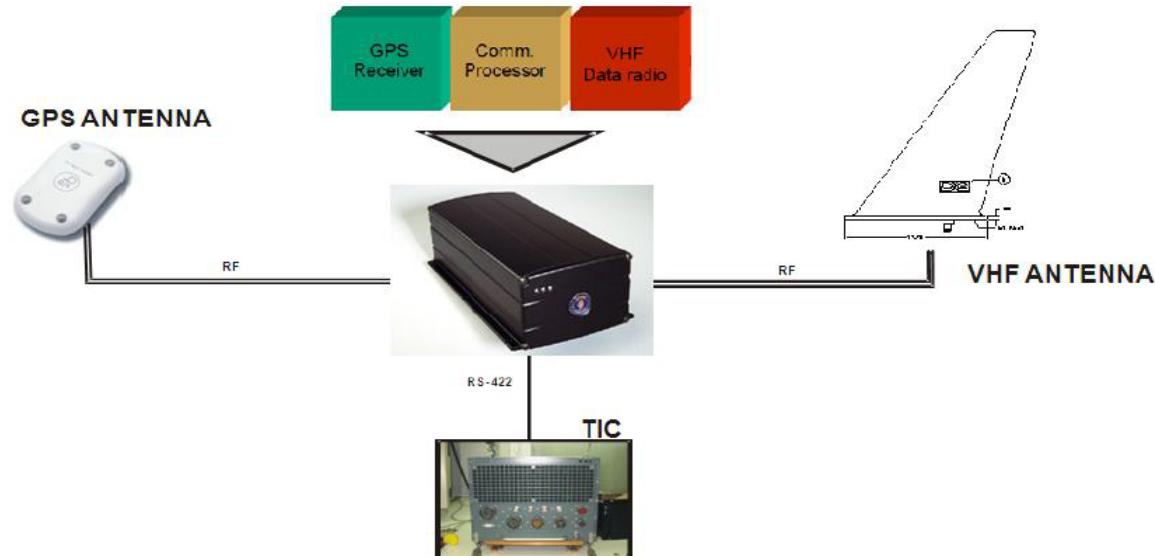


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## ➤ AIS - Architecture

### *Airborne AIS System Composition*

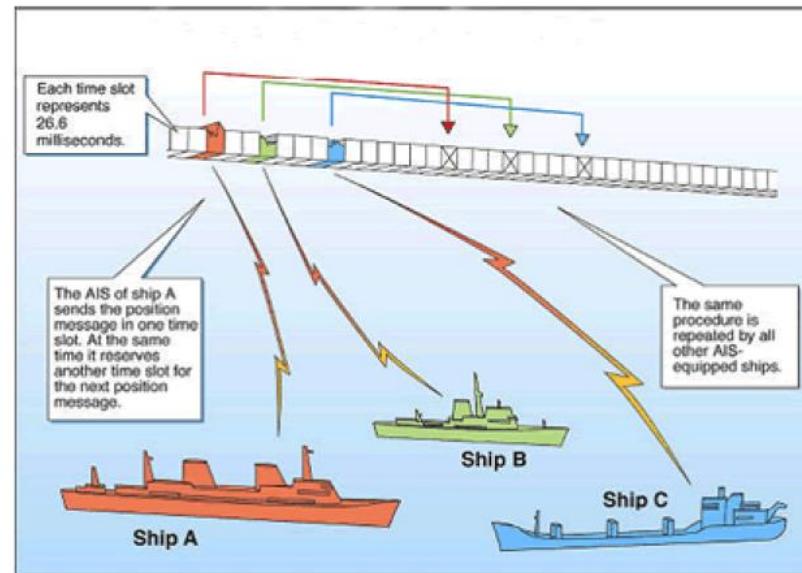
- AIS System is composed by 3 LRUs:
  - R4A Transponder (SAAB TransponderTech)
  - VHF Antenna (DAYTON GRANGER, INC)
  - GPS Antenna (AEROANTENNA)



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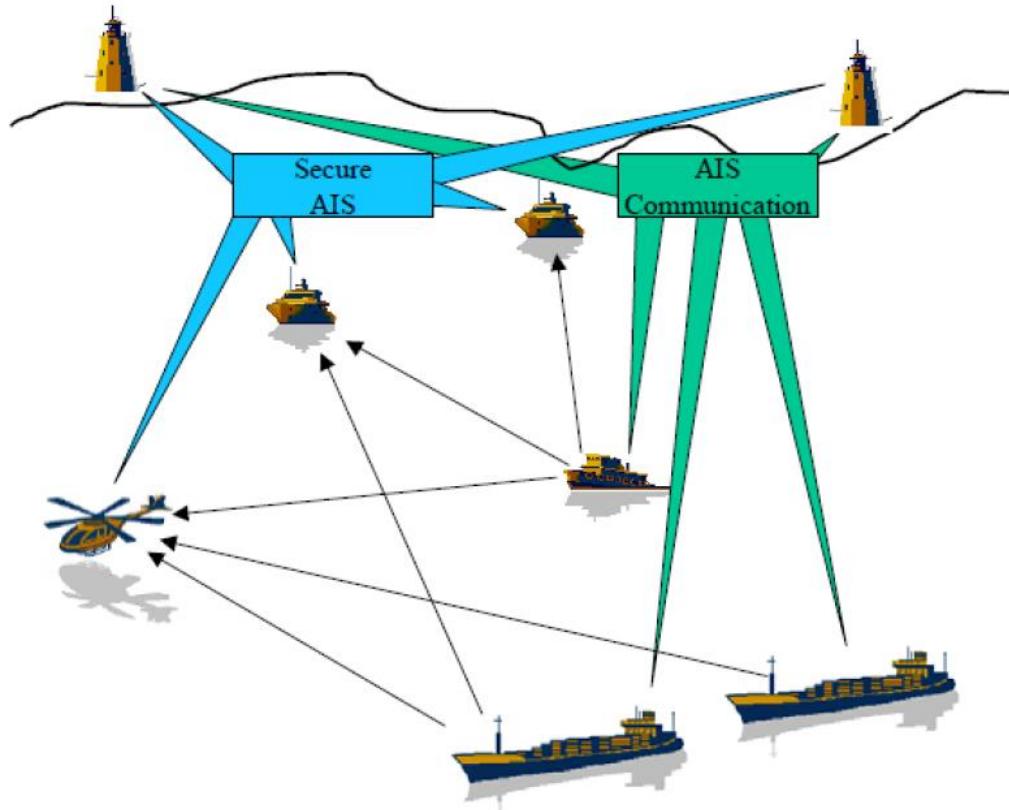
## ➤ AIS - Architecture

- Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver: This subsystem handles the navigation and timing accuracy of the system.
- Communication Processor: This subsystem handles all protocols and external interfaces used. It controls the slot allocation for the transponder transmissions.



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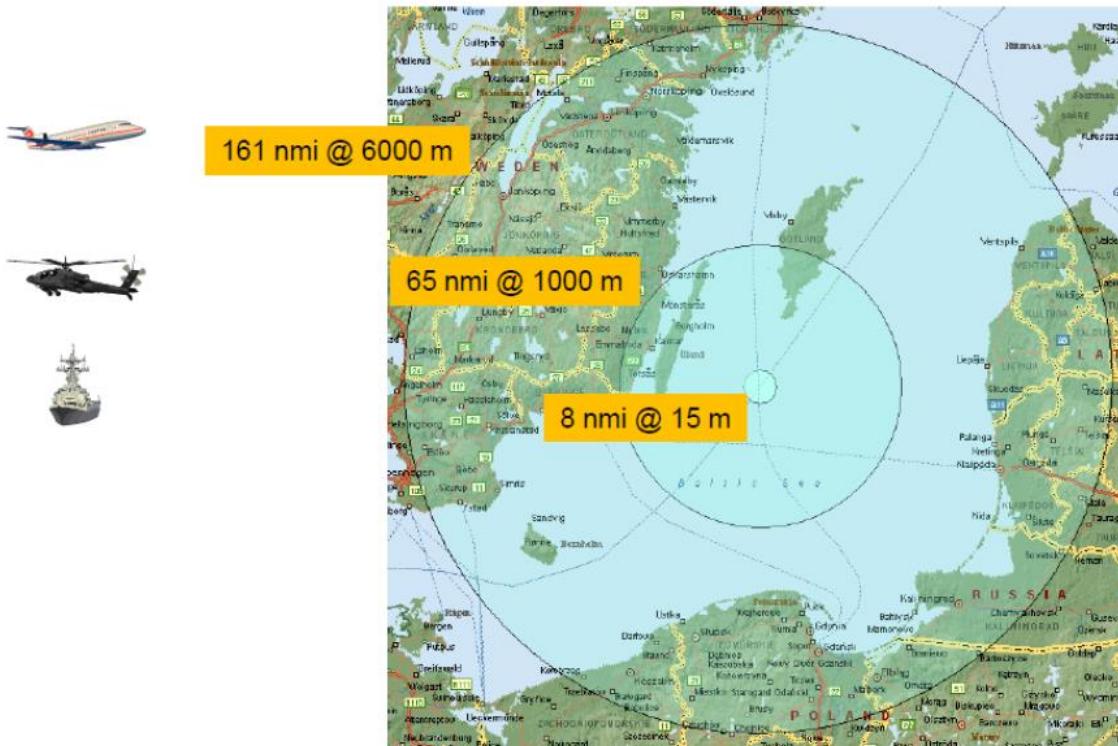
## ➤ AIS – Secure AIS



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## ➤ AIS – Range of Use

*Range Extension (Line of sight)*



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## ➤ Acoustic System

*Una aeronave se considera **ASW** cuando tiene como principal misión detectar, localizar, seguir, clasificar y en su caso dañar o destruir submarinos enemigos.*

Los sistemas acústicos embarcados se encargan de las cuatro primeras tareas,... dejando las dos últimas a “otros” sistemas.

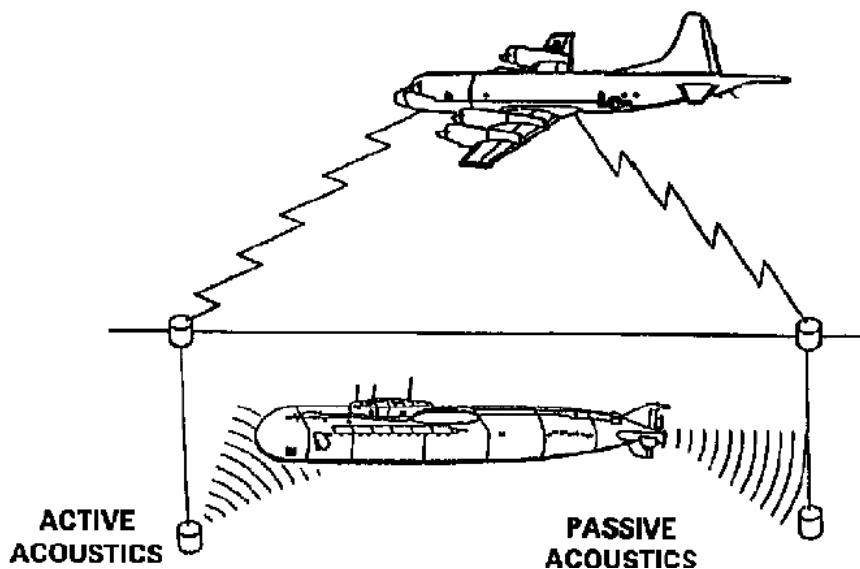


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## ➤ Acoustic System

El sistema acústico es un sistema que utiliza la señal recibida por unos elementos desplegados en el agua y encargados de enviar al avión el audio detectado (dentro del agua) .

Dichos elementos se conocen como “Sonoboyas”.



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## ➤ Acoustic System

### Conocimientos Fundamentales

1. Sonoboyas



2. Comportamiento  
del medio



3. Tecnología  
Embarcada.



4. Características de los objetos de interés.

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## ➤ Acoustic System

La tecnología embarcada en un Sistema ACUSTICO se compone de los siguientes elementos

- Antenas de recepción.
- Receptor de sonoboyas.
- Sistema Procesador de Señal.
- Sistema de almacenamiento de Datos acústicos.
- Transceptor de emisión de pulsos para sonoboyas activas.
- Antena de emisión de comandos (DICASS/CFS).

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## ➤ Acoustic System

- Un sistema acústico tiene que realizar las siguientes funciones para poder realizar su misión.
  - Recibir la señal desplegada por las sonoboyas –Conjunto Receptor
  - Procesar dicha señal- Conjunto Procesador
  - Comandar las sonoboyas desplegadas
  - Grabar señales acústicas.



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**The MQ-9A flying with the pneumatic sonobuoy dispenser system during the demonstration. (Photo: GA-ASI)**



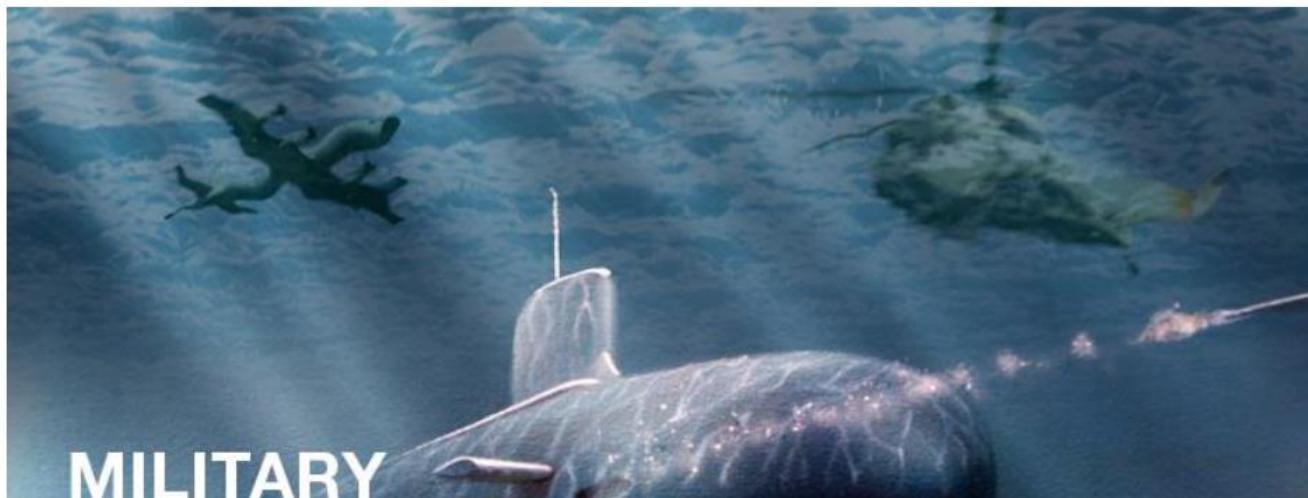
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## ➤ MAD

- **MAD: Magnetic Anomaly Detector**

La masa metálica del submarino produce una variación magnética o anomalía en el campo magnético terrestre que es detectada por el Sistema MAD.

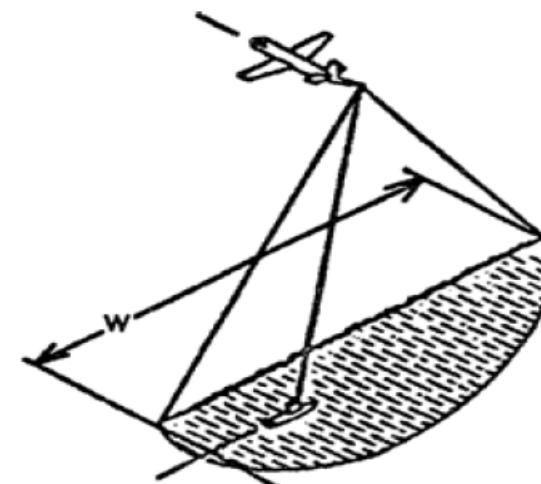
El MAD se usa en aviones de guerra antisubmarina (ASW) **y no es un sensor de búsqueda**.



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## ➤ MAD

- Mide anomalías en el campo magnético terrestre para detectar submarinos.
- Realiza las detecciones de forma automática, alertando al operador con una alarma de audio cuando se producen.
- La capacidad de detección del MAD depende de ciertos parámetros, como son:
  - Tamaño del submarino.
  - Profundidad y rumbo del submarino.
  - Características del ruido presente durante la detección.
  - Latitud magnética
  - Etc

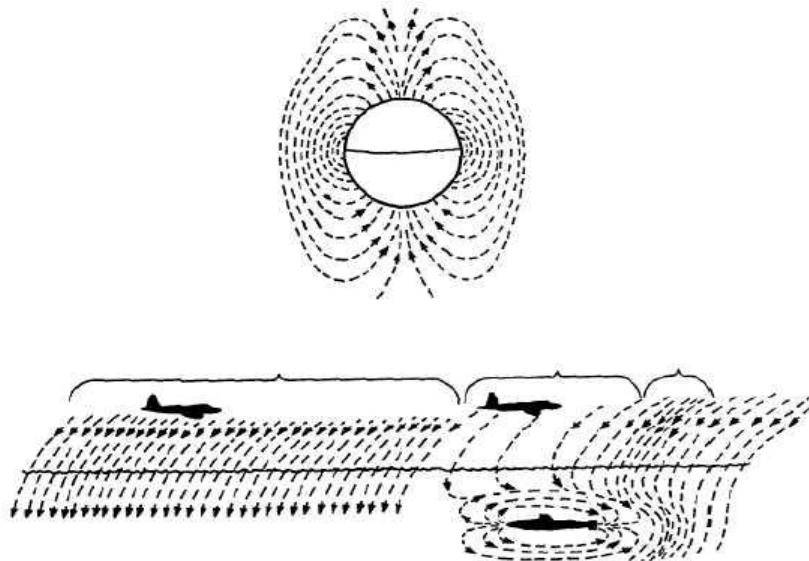
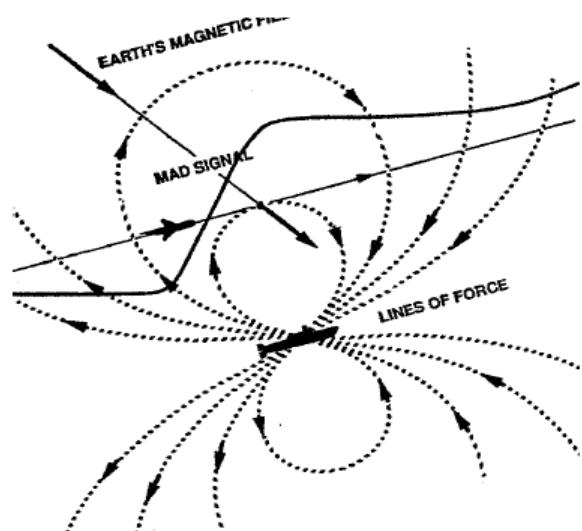


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- Cómo se obtienen las detecciones MAD:

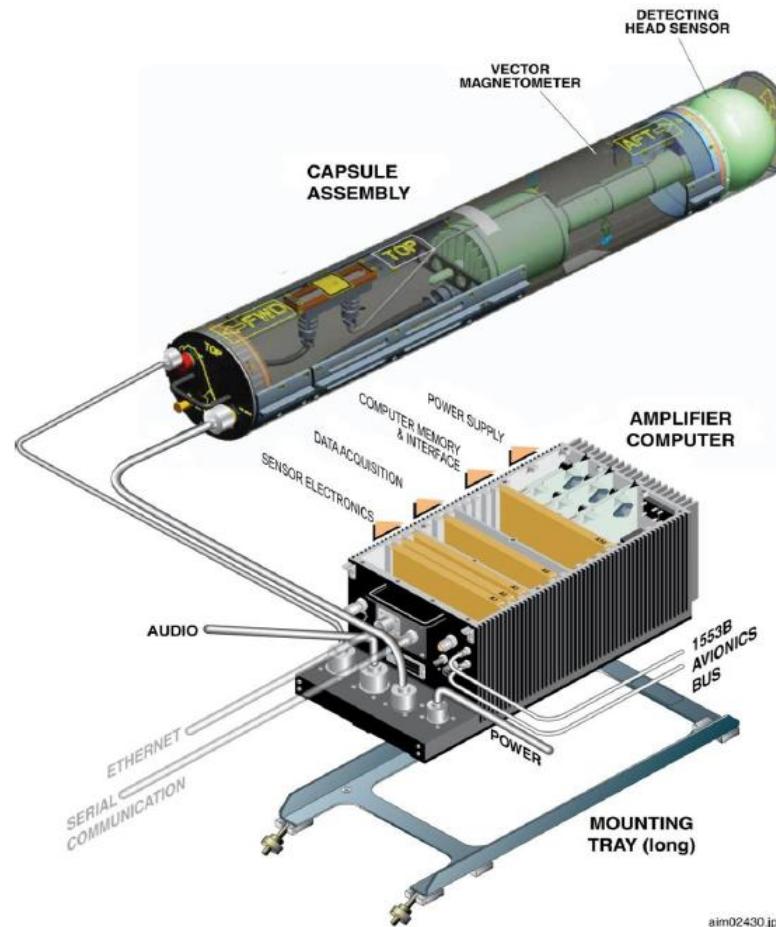
- El “Detecting Head” se orienta mecánicamente a un ángulo fijo ( $45^\circ$ ) respecto al campo magnético terrestre, independientemente de la actitud de la aeronave. De esta manera “ve” dicho campo magnético terrestre como una constante, permitiéndole detectar cambios en la misma (detecta componentes alineadas con el campo magnético terrestre del campo magnético creado por el submarino)



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## ➤ MAD

- El Sistema MAD consiste básicamente en:
  - Un sensor (detecting head), que detecta los cambios en el campo magnético terrestre
  - Un magnetómetro (vector magnetometer), para compensar las interferencias producidas por las maniobras del avión
  - Un procesador de la señal (amplifier computer) para maximizar ésta frente al ruido y poder así detectar la anomalía generada por la presencia de un submarino



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## ➤ MAD

- **Instalación de la Cápsula:** la cápsula se instala en el interior de un elemento denominado Boom. Dado que este Boom contiene los sensores que realizan la medición del campo magnético, sus requisitos de diseño e instalación, así como los de fijación de la cápsula en su interior, son exigentes para minimizar el ruido magnético en su proximidad y que no decrezca la capacidad de detección:
  - El boom debe ser rígido y lo más largo posible para alejarlo de los ruidos del avión.
  - Se debe encontrar lo más alejado posible de superficies metálicas del avión. La mínima distancia recomendada por CAE son 20ft (unos 6m).
  - Se debe encontrar lo más alejado posible de superficies móviles y unidades de potencia del avión.
  - Se debe evitar el uso de metales para su construcción.
  - La cápsula debe estar fija dentro del boom.

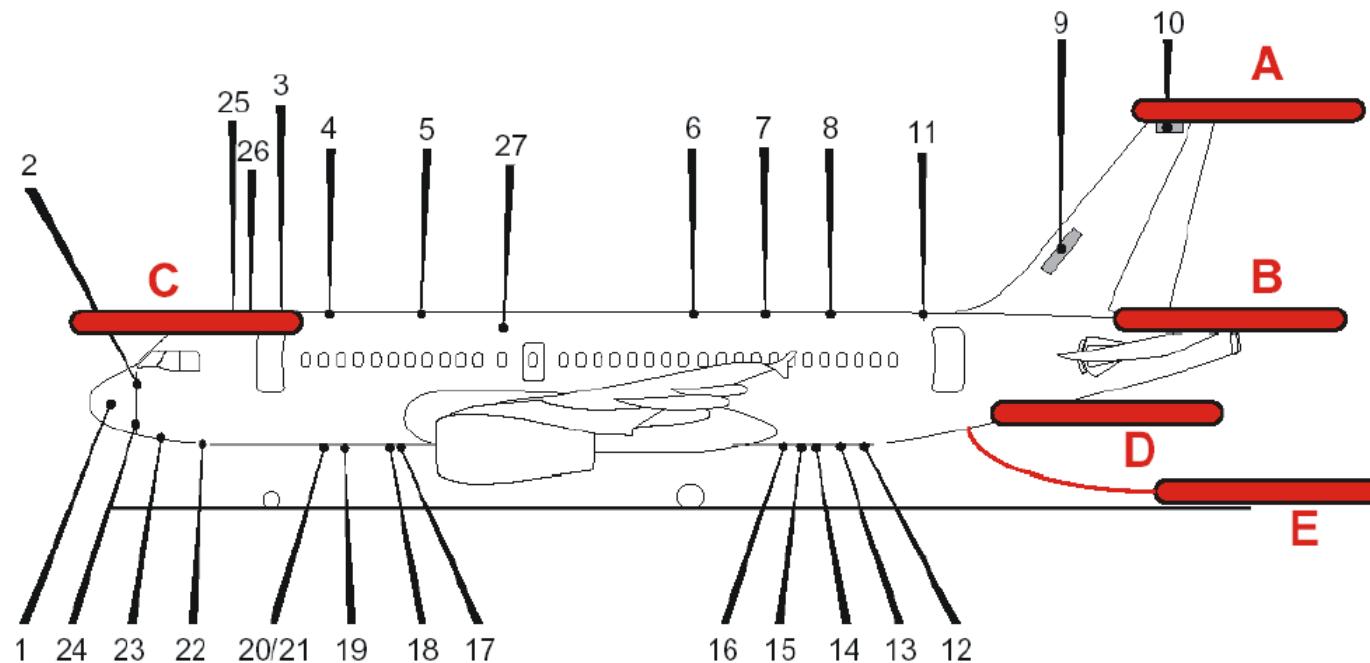


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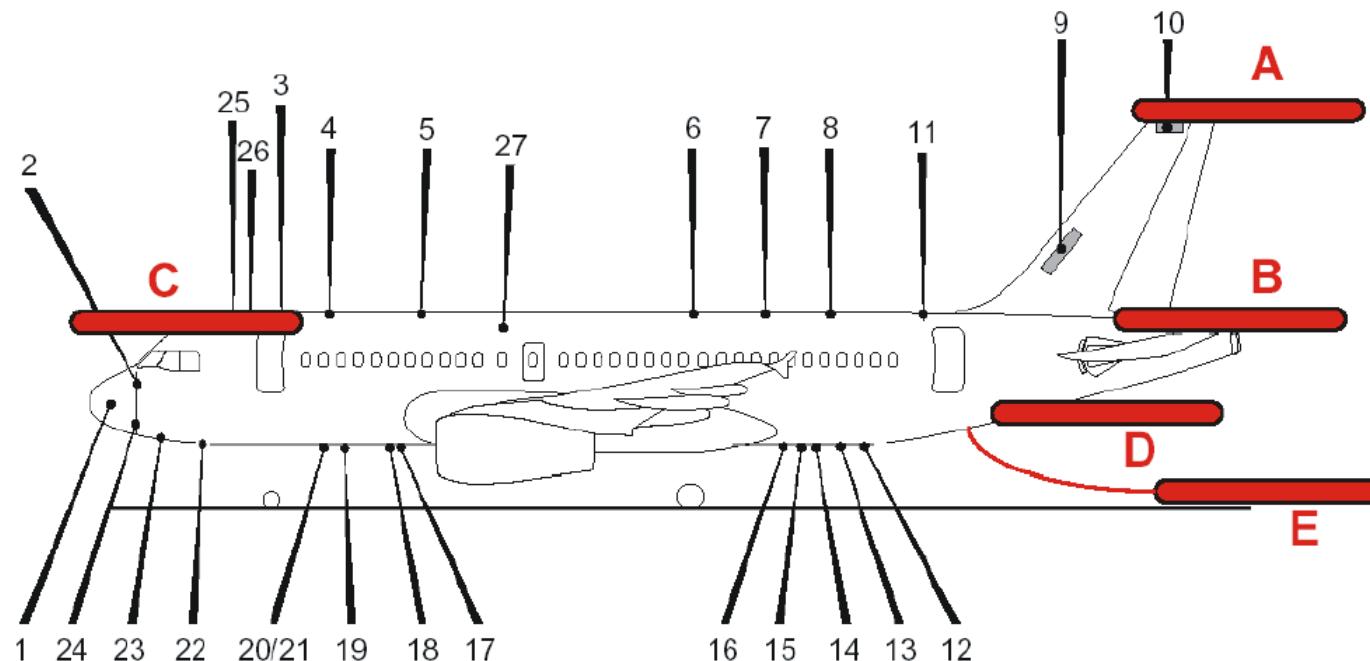


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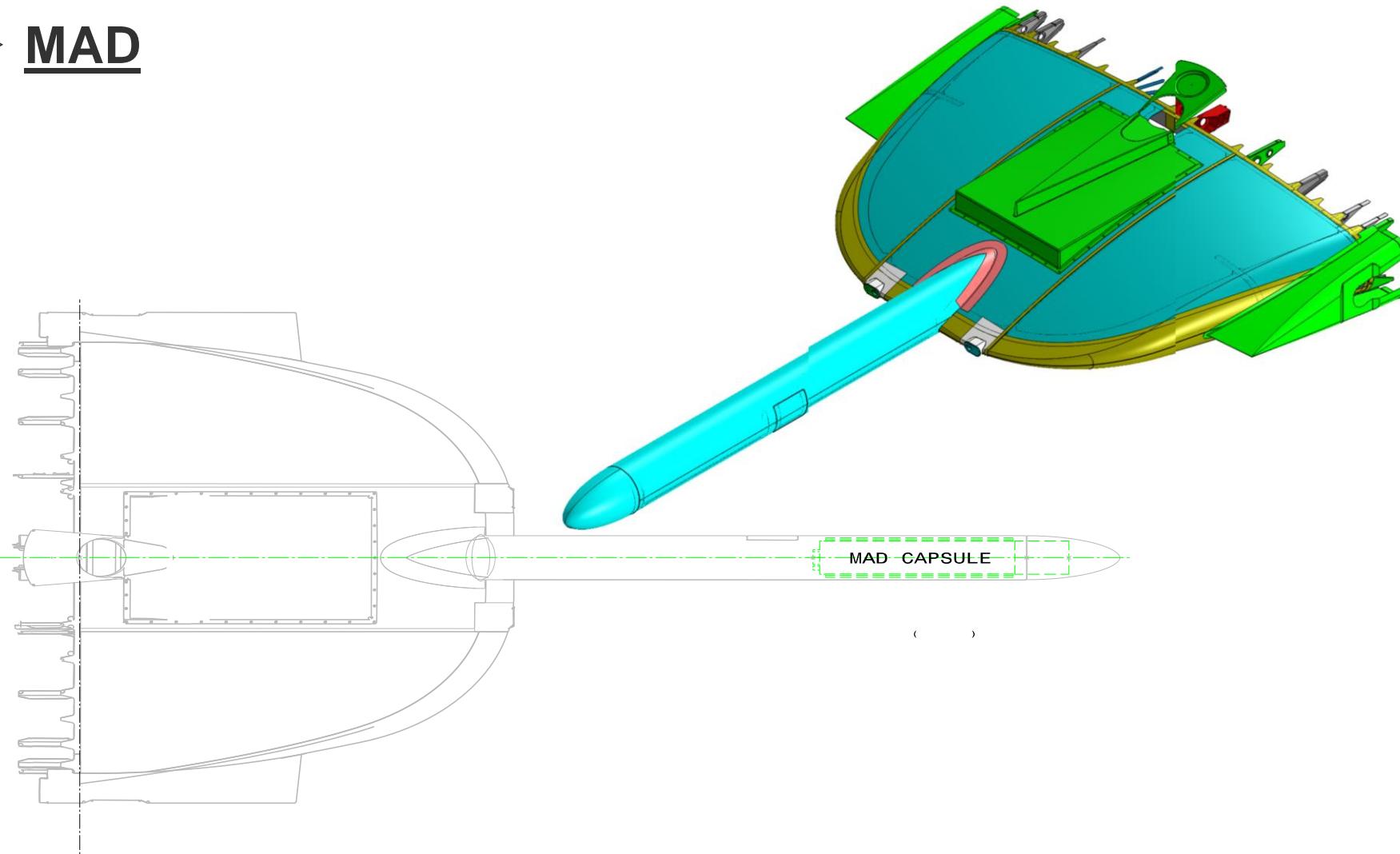
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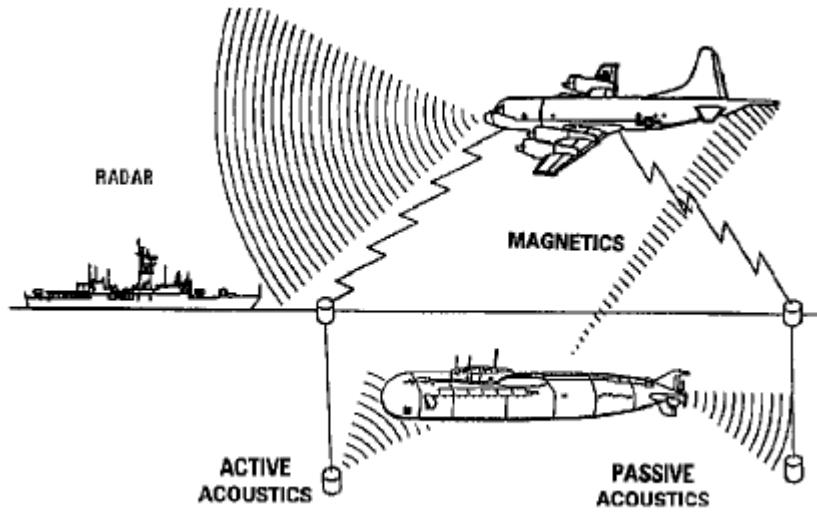
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El MAD se emplea para confirmar la suelta del torpedo, realizando de nuevo la detección del submarino durante el ataque.

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# Future Trends

