

# UAV

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# Main components

- 1. Design
- 2. Propulsion system
- 3. Navigation and control system
- 4. Data Collection
- 5. Data Transmission
- 6. Power Management

Design

# Types of UAV

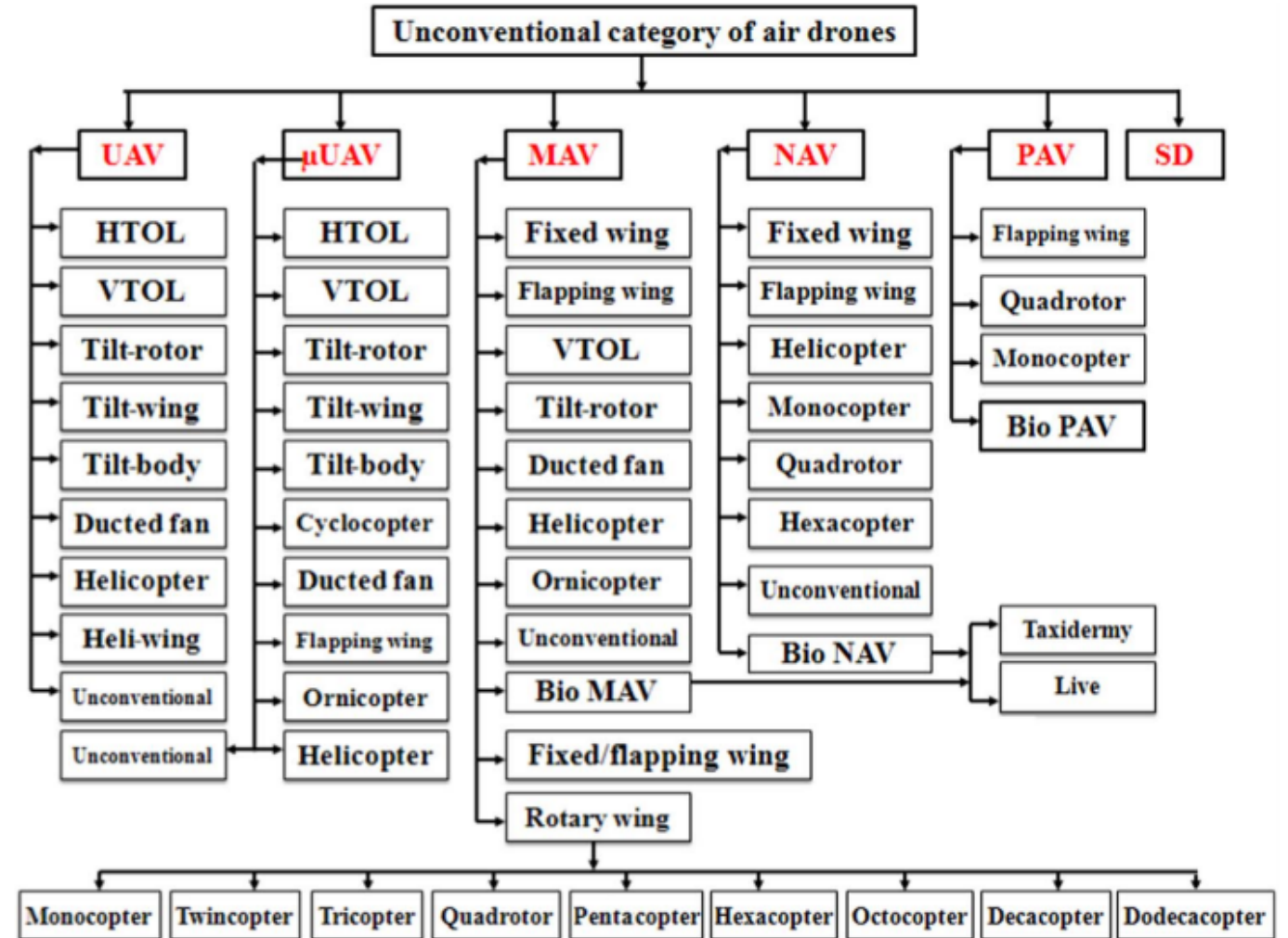
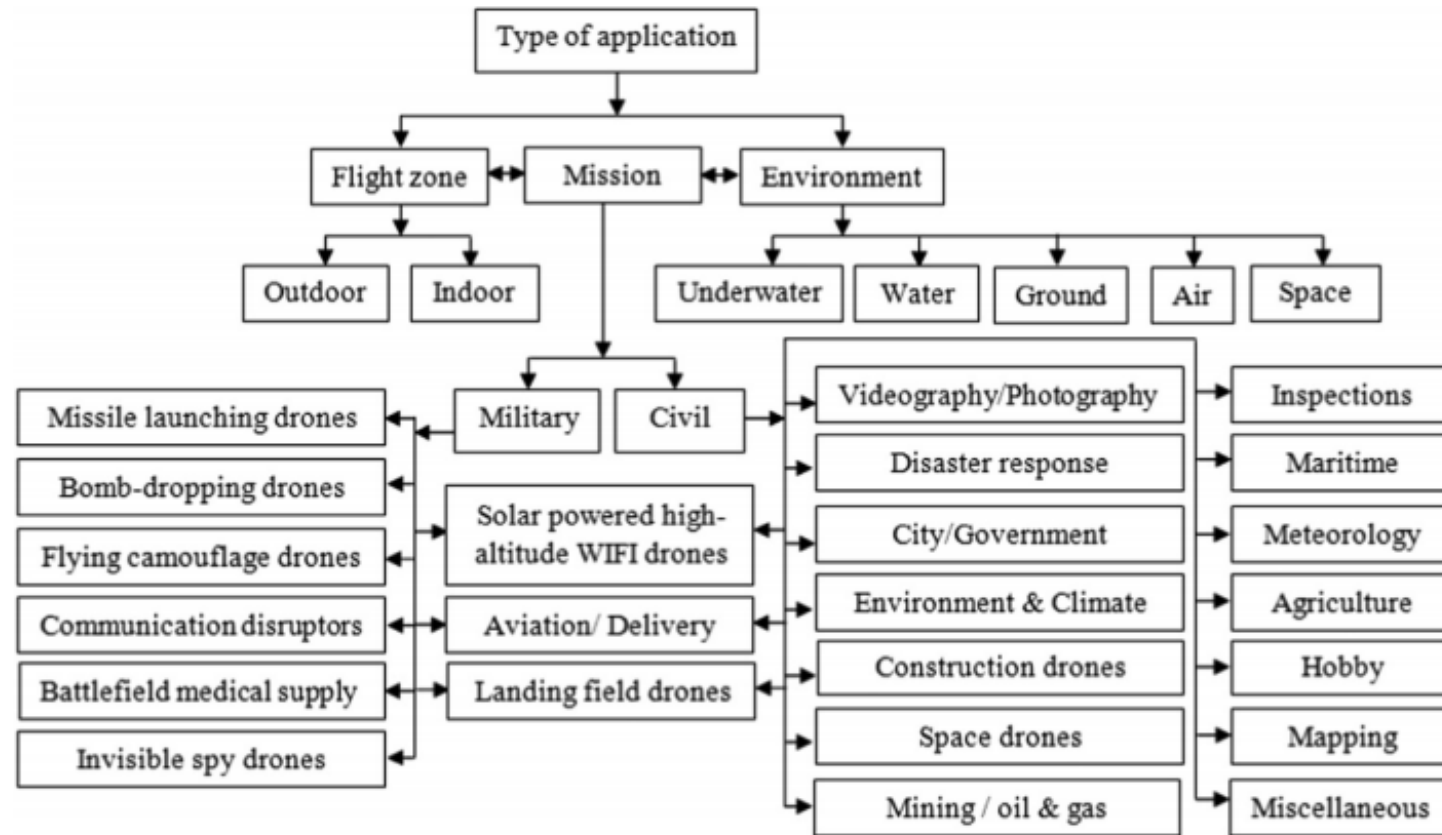


Fig. 2. Different types of air drones.

# Classifications of Drone's applications



**Fig. 15.** Classification of drones' applications.

# Design (multi-rotor UAV or drone)

- Typical use for aerial photography and video aerial inspection
- Accessibility
- Ease of use
- VTOL and hover flight
- Good camera control
- Can operate in a confined area



# Design (multi-rotor UAV or drone)

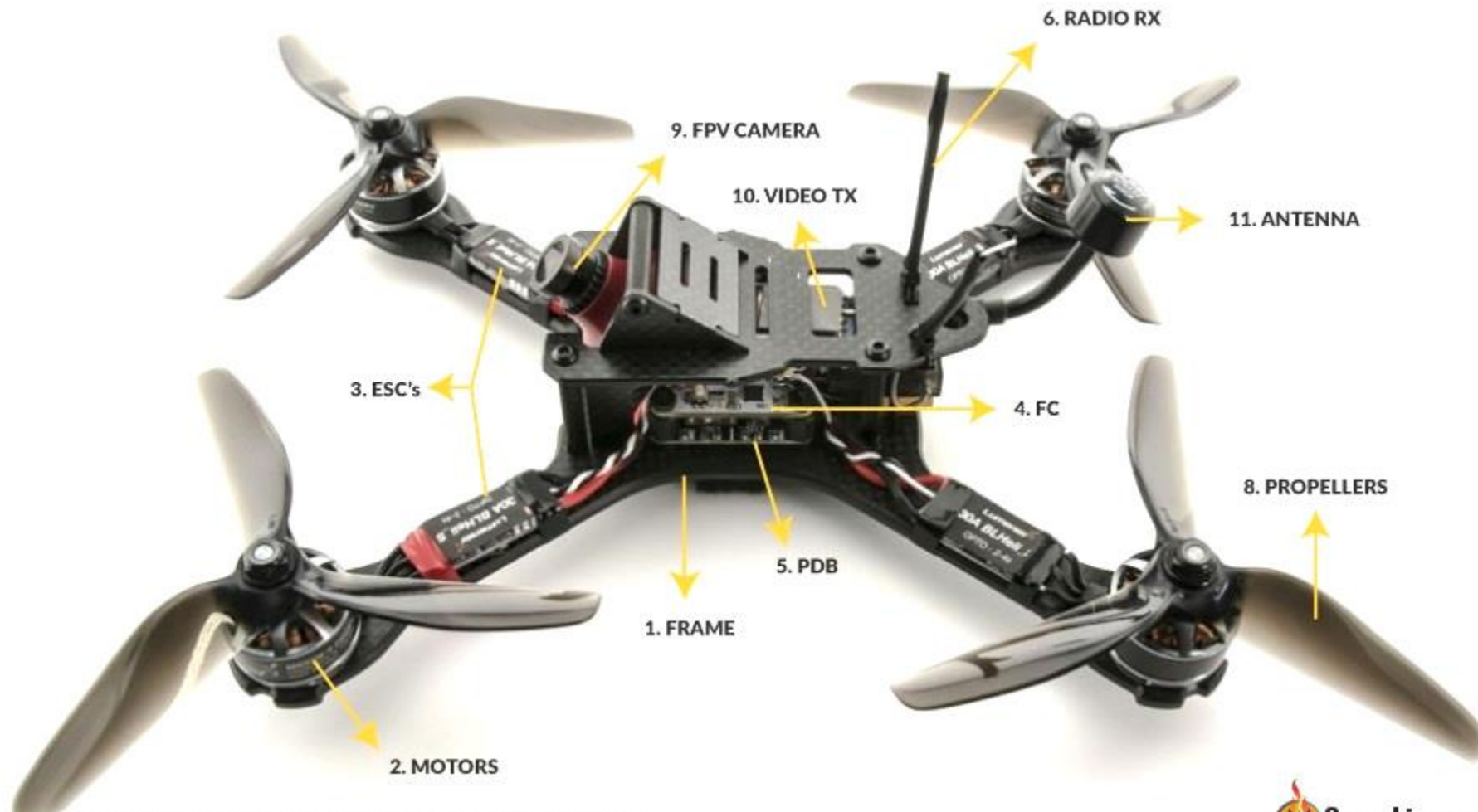


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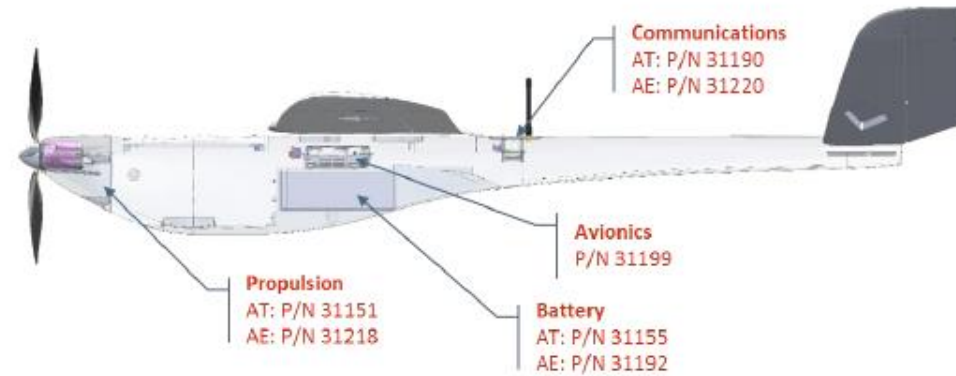
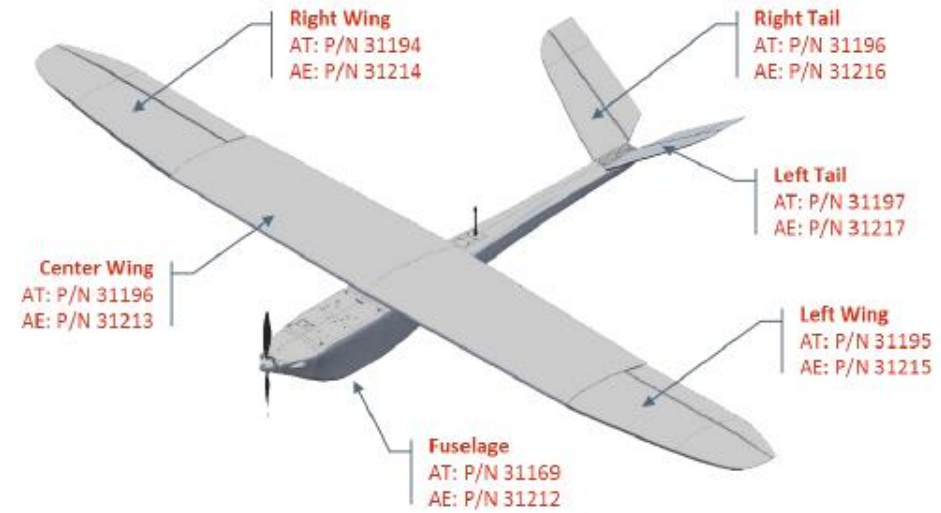
# Design (fixed wing UAV)

- Typical use for aerial mapping, pipeline and power line inspection
- Long endurance
- Large area coverage
- Fast flight speed





# Design (fixed wing UAV)



# Design (single-rotor UAV or drone)

- Typical use for aerial LIDAR laser scanning
- VTOL and hover flight
- Long endurance (with gas power)
- Heavier payload capability



# Propulsion System & Actuators

# Motors

- Brushed motors – small drones
- Brushless motors – medium size to big drone. Can carry extra weight with additional electronics.



# Propellers

- Rotary motion -> linear thrust
- Can lift UAV robots

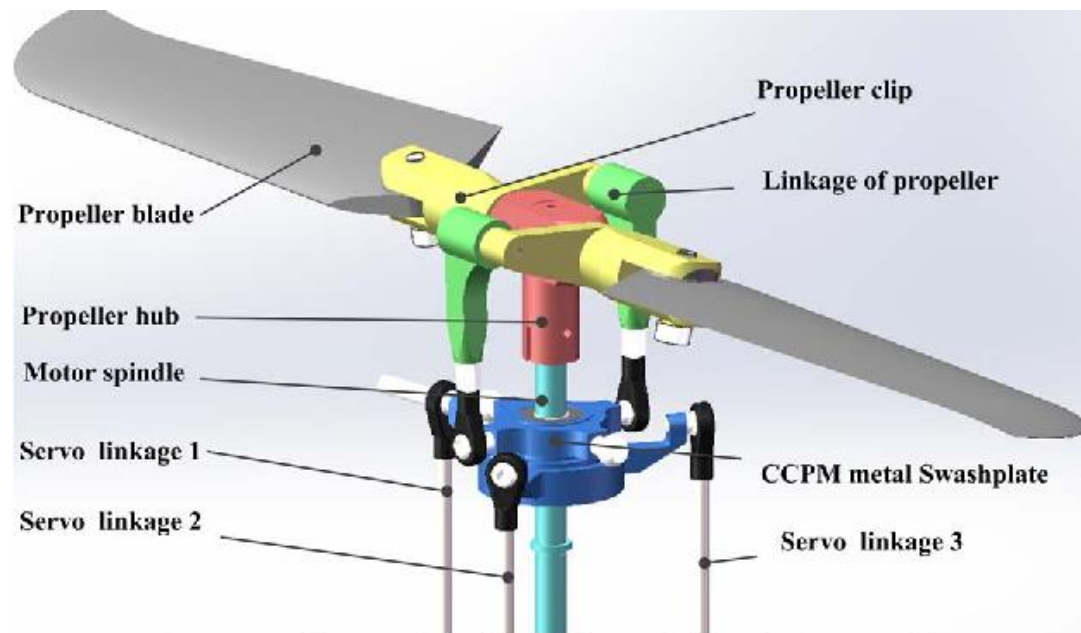


Fig. 1 Configuration of cyclic variable pitch propeller



# Engines

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- engine is equipped with a microprocessor ignition for easy starting and smooth running in all modes of engine speed.
- 4-stroke propulsion system with OHV and 2 valves per cylinder



# Navigation and Control System

# Inertial Navigation Sensors

- To measure various flight parameters (velocity, positions, and altitude)

Table 5.1: Primary functions of a few navigation sensors

No	Name	Measures	Remarks
1	Accelerometer	Linear acceleration	The linear acceleration is converted to linear velocity.
2	Basic gyroscope	Attitude	Based on gyro law
3	Rate gyro	Angular velocity	The angular velocity can be converted to angular positions.
4	Magnetometer	Attitude	e.g., heading
5	Pitot tube	Altitude, airspeed	Using air pressure
6	Compass	Magnetic north	Heading angle is measure w.r.t. north



# Other sensors

- 1. Small, lightweight and low power consumption
- 2. Cm-level (RTK) and dm-level (PPP) position accuracy



VectorNav



SBG Systems

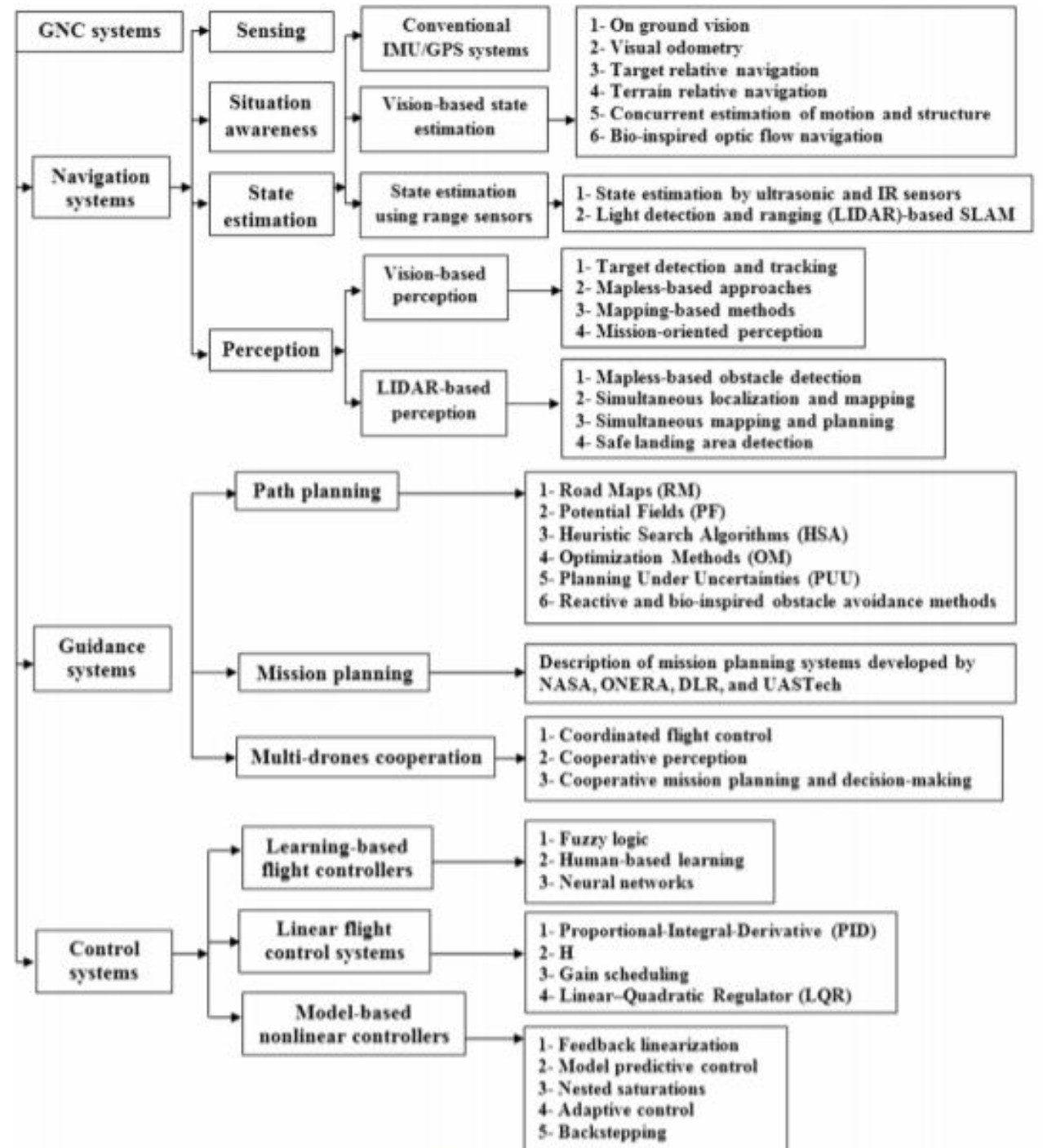


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# GNC – Guidance, Navigation and Control



# Other navigation system

1. Silvus technologies offer communications solutions from high bandwidth video and telemetry data.
2. High speed data and high resolution video transfers in unpredictable environments.
3. provide a self-healing, self-forming mesh network that self-optimizes, requiring no operator involvement



Silvus Data Links



RF Power Amplifiers



RF Filters



RF Low Noise Amplifiers

# Other Control System

1. GCS is responsible for controlling unmanned vehicles and payloads.
2. Installed application allows easy configuration of UAV
3. monitor measurement and sensing equipment
4. Robust and can be used in harsh environment



Portable GCS



Video Receivers



iMOCs

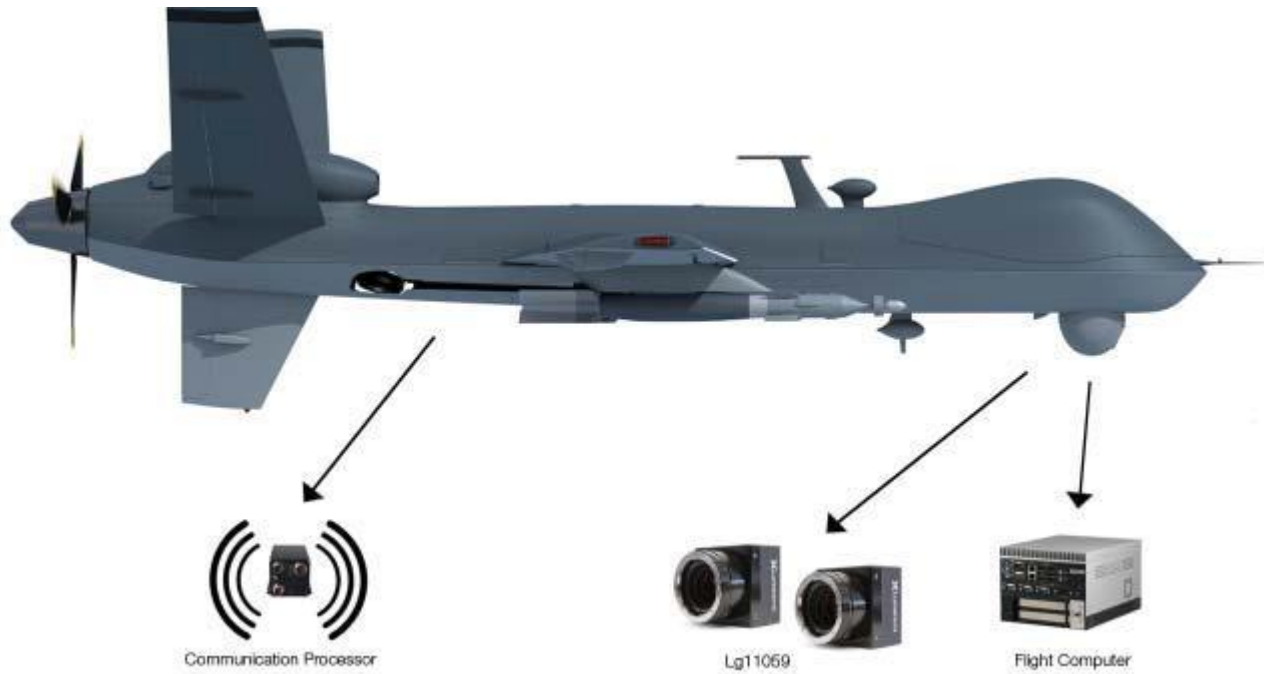


Handhelds

# Data Collection

# Camera

- For surveillance purpose



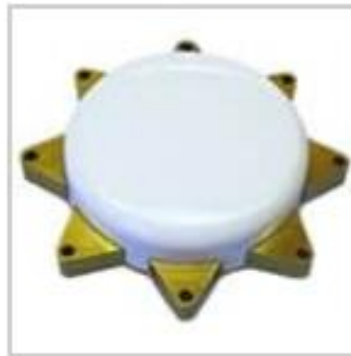
# Data Transmission

# Antennas

1. Antennas are used for data recording and transmission and avionic functions.
2. Allow information transmission to other systems and people on ground.
3. Ground-to-ground, Ground-to-air, air-to-ground.



Tracking Antennas



GNSS Antennas



Yagi Antennas



Flat Panel Antennas



# Ground Control Station

## Handheld controller

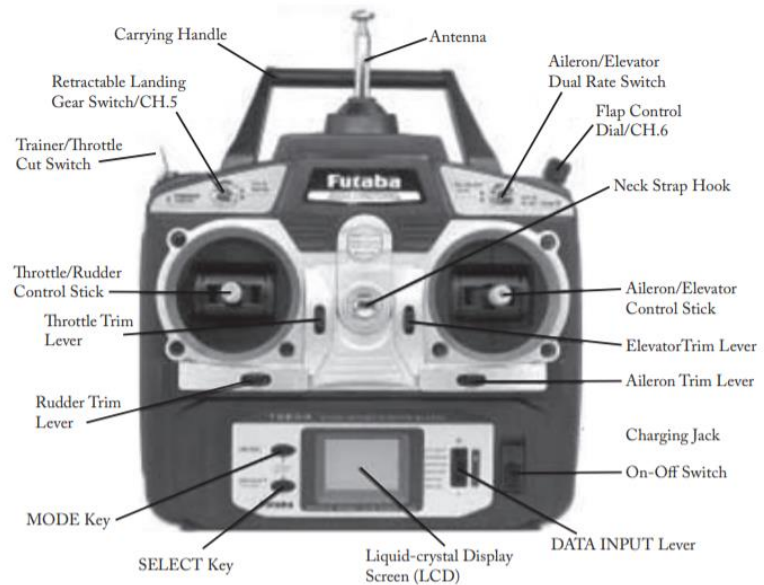


Figure 8.2: Handheld remote control of a small UAV (image courtesy of [hooked-on-rc-airplanes.com](http://hooked-on-rc-airplanes.com)).



## Portable control station



## Command control station

# C3 – command, control, communication model

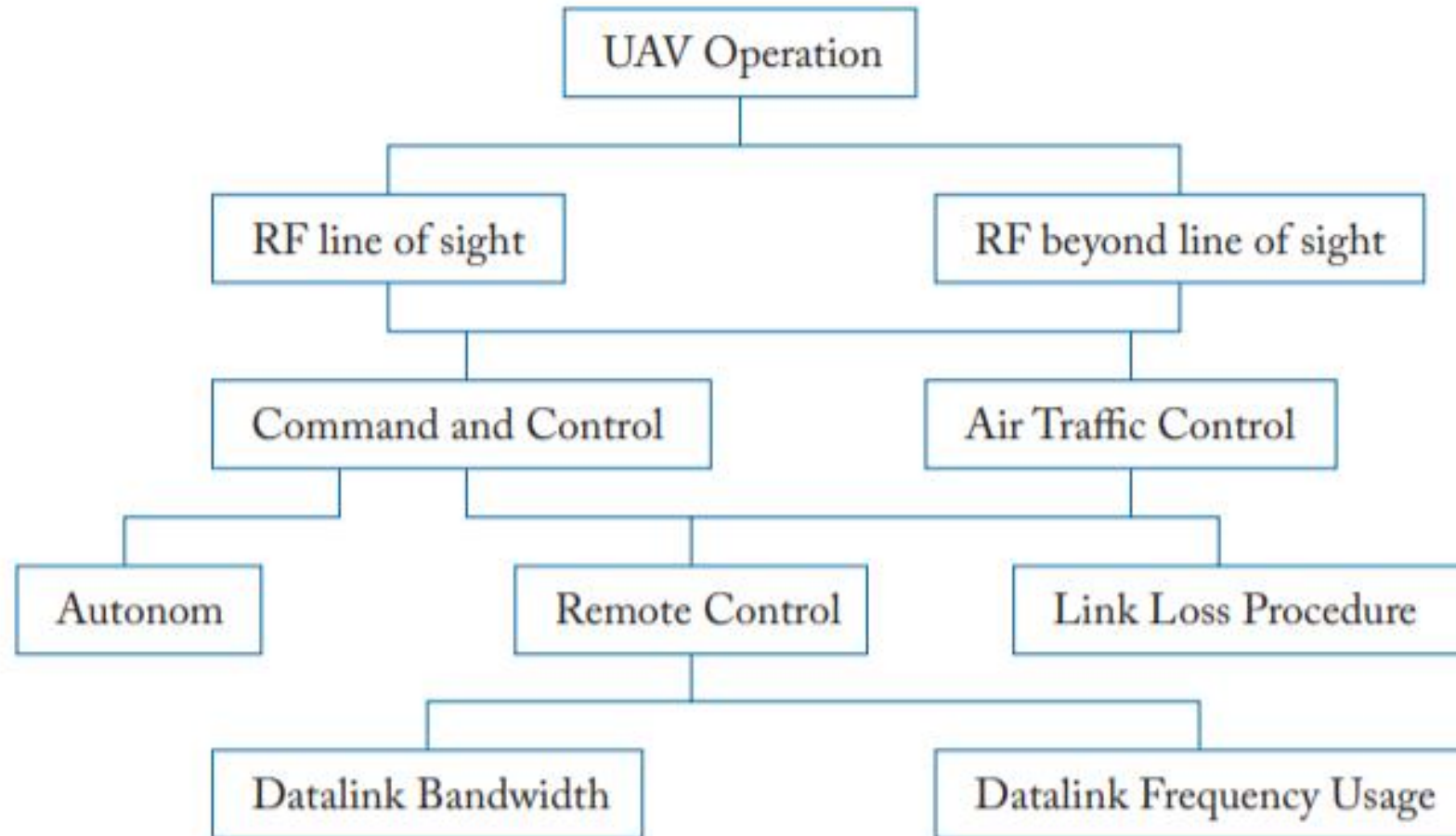


Figure 8.7: Command, Control, and Communications (C3) model.

# Power Management

# Battery used



BATTERIES, MAX AMPS  
LiPo 23,000 4S 14.8v Battery Pack  
\$499.99



BATTERIES, MAX AMPS  
LiPo 12000XL 22.2v S900 RTR Kit  
\$609.99



BATTERIES, MAX AMPS  
LiPo 9000XL 6S 22.2v Battery Pack  
\$349.99

1. LiPo batteries provide longer flight times
2. Lower weight
3. Sharper flexibility
4. Higher capacity
5. Higher discharge rate
6. Deliver more power
7. LiPo batteries are hardly self discharge. It can be stored up to 1-2 months and still function well
8. Rechargeable
9. Volatile and potential fire hazard