GNSS in Robotic Radiation Contamination Measurement

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ATEROS – Autonomous telepresence robotic system

SINGLE OPERATOR, MULTI ROBOT RECONNAISSANCE ROBOTIC SYSTEM



What is it for? Possible missions.



GENERAL RECONNAISSANCE

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SEARCH FOR VICTIMS/CRIMINALS

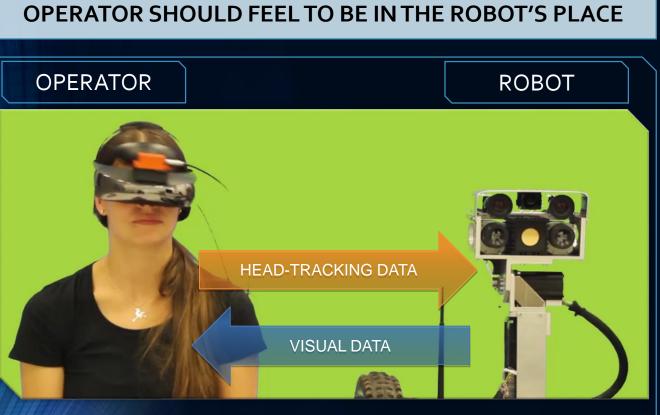
MULTISPECTRAL MAPPING

ENVIRONMENT MEASUREMENT

AUTONOMOUS AREA GUARDING

Visual Telepresence

Autonomous Mode



- increases concentration
- makes control easier and more intuitive
- better on direct sunshine

- adding autonomous functions
- return home
- 3D mapping
- autonomous area search



ORPHEUS ROBOTS





RADIATION EXPERIMENT

ATEROS

Mission





Motivation

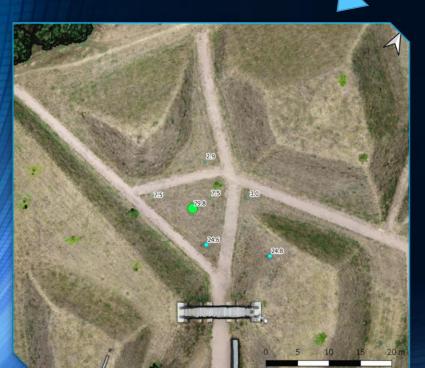
- autonomous search for:
 - point radiation sources
 - area (surface) contamination liquids, dust
- unknown terrain potentially unreachable by UGVs
- combination UAV, UGV

NO HUMANS IN THE HOT AREA & AUTONOMOUS OPERATION



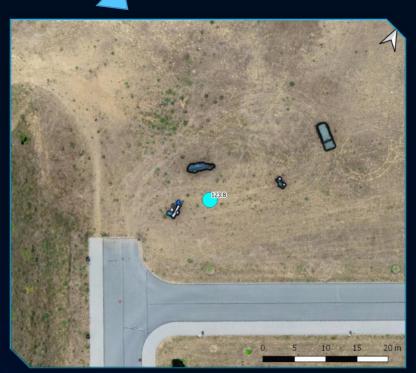


Sources





ISO-TOPE	ACTIVITY [MBq]
Со-6о	123.78
Cs-137	79.82
Co-6o	24.76
Co-6o	24.56
Cs-137	7.53
Cs-137	7.53
Co-6o	2.95
Co-6o	2.85









Cooperation

- Brno University of Technology
 - CEITEC
 - Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Communication
- Nuvia a.s.
- Czech Army, University of Defence
- Fire Rescue Service of South-Moravian Region
- VTUL

Projects:

- CAK III TACR ALPHA
- Robotics for Industry 4.0



mapping UAS trajectory planning

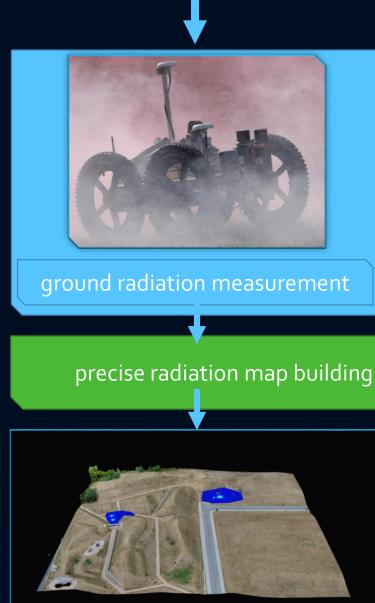


aerial 3D map building

DEM (digital elevation map) building

measurement UAS trajectory planning

aerial 3D radiation measurement hotspot identification UGV traversibility (DEM) map building UGV trajectory planning

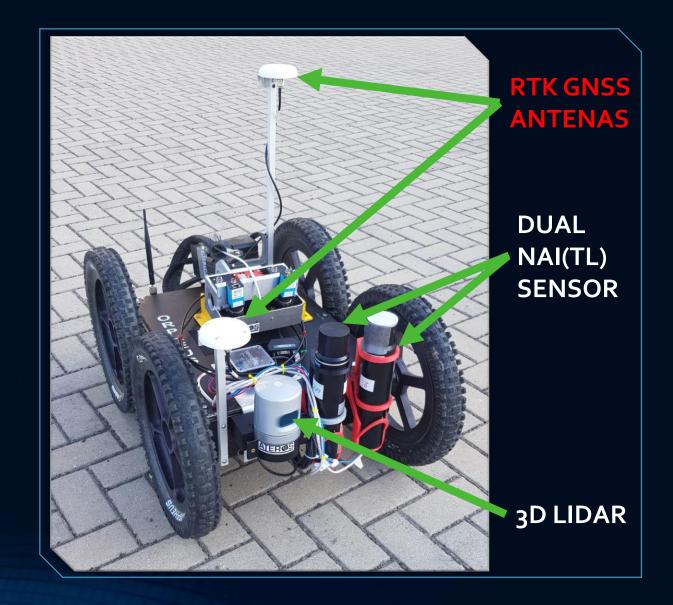


Orpheus-X4

- fully autonomous mode
- centimeter precision navigation
- vector RTG GNSS receiver
- two NAI(TL) 2" detectors
- rugged construction

station

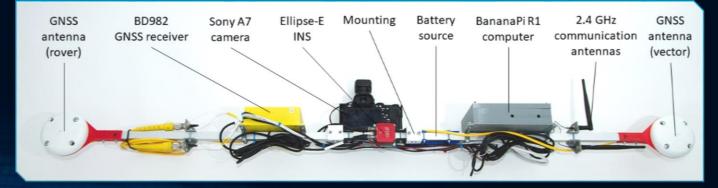
communication with operator's



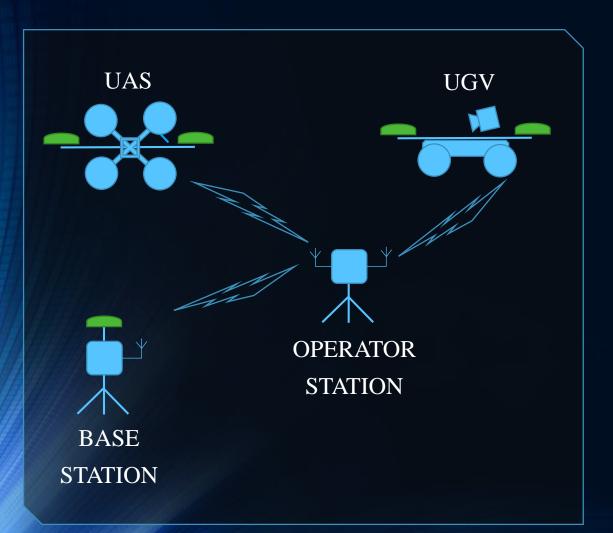
BRUS with photogrammetry & radiation module

- VTUL drone in 2 configurations
- photogrammetry module
 - vector RTK GNSS
 - IMU
 - full-frame camera
 - BananaPi computer
 - communication link
 - Battery
- radiation module
 - 2" NAI(TL) detector
 - data-logger
 - GNSS receiver
 - 1 DOF laser altimeter





Correction data communication scheme



- custom RTK GNSS base station
- long communication distances
- custom datalink 2,4 GHz
- base station is not a part of operator

station

retranslation





AREA OF INTEREST - CUZK ORTOPHOTO



UAV TRAJECTORY FOR THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAMMETRY



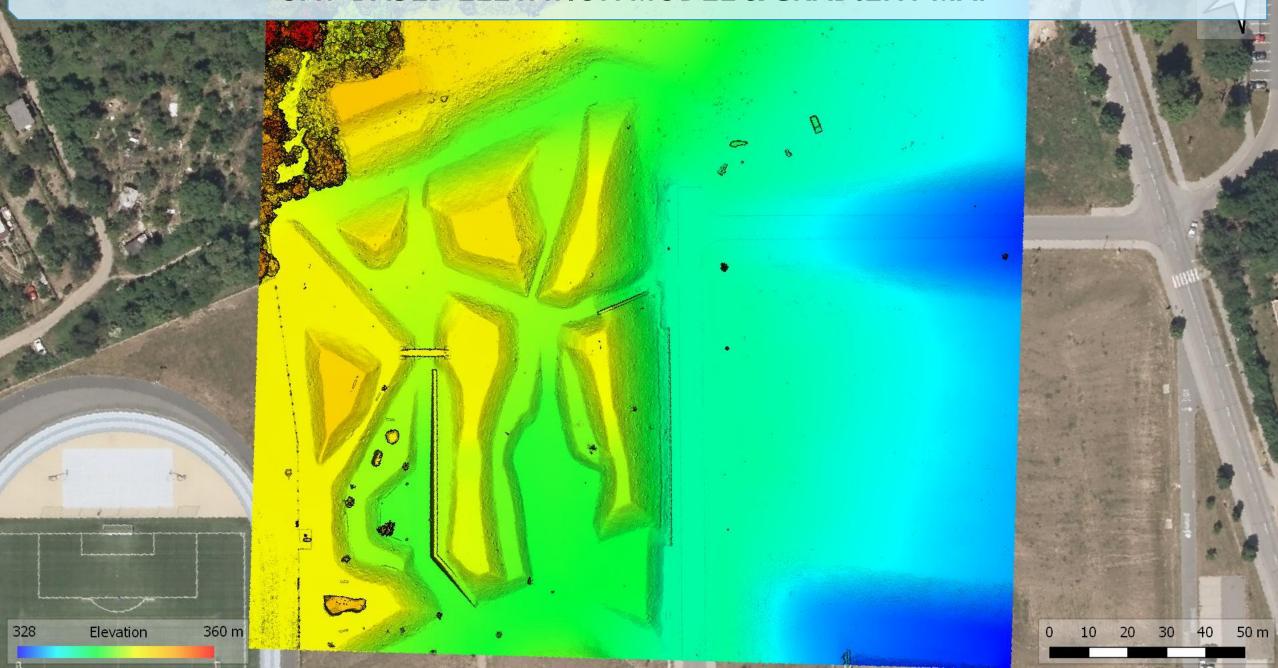
REAL UAV TRAJECTORY AND PHOTO POSITIONS



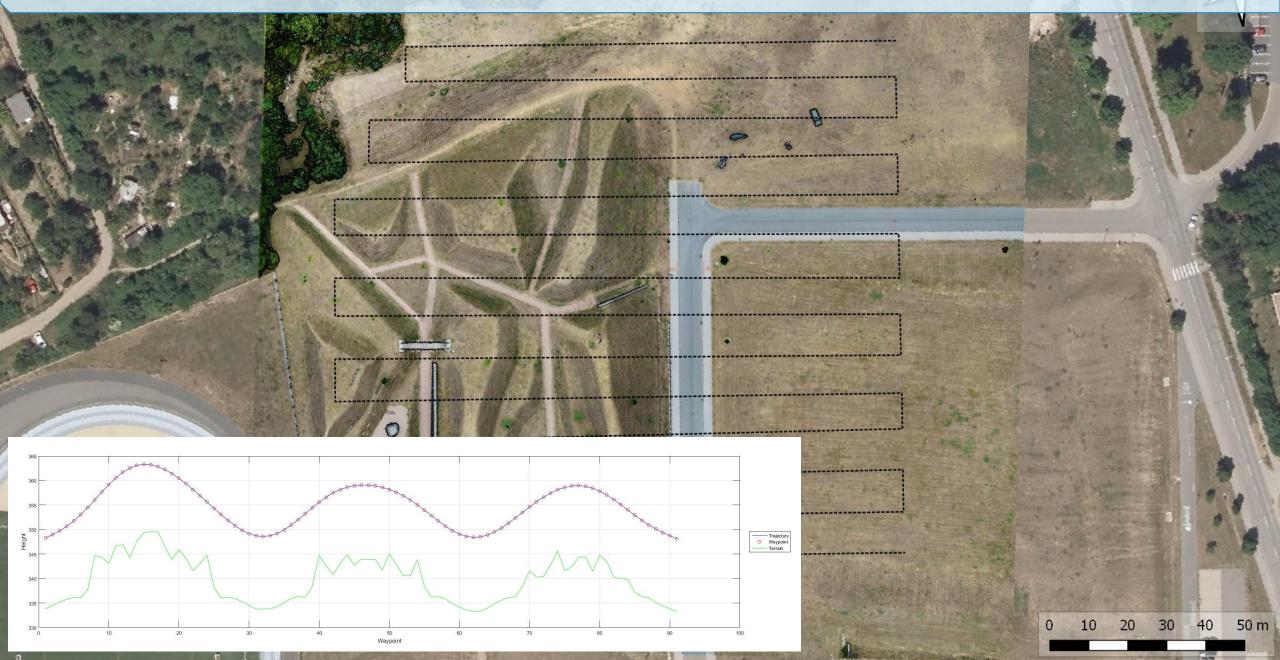
UAV-BASED ORTHOPHOTO



UAV-BASED ELEVATION MODEL & GRADIENT MAP



UAV TRAJECTORY FOR THE RADIATION MAPPING – ADJUSTED BY THE TERRAIN MODEL



IONIZING RADIATION DOSE RATE MEASURED FROM THE UAV

from the second second

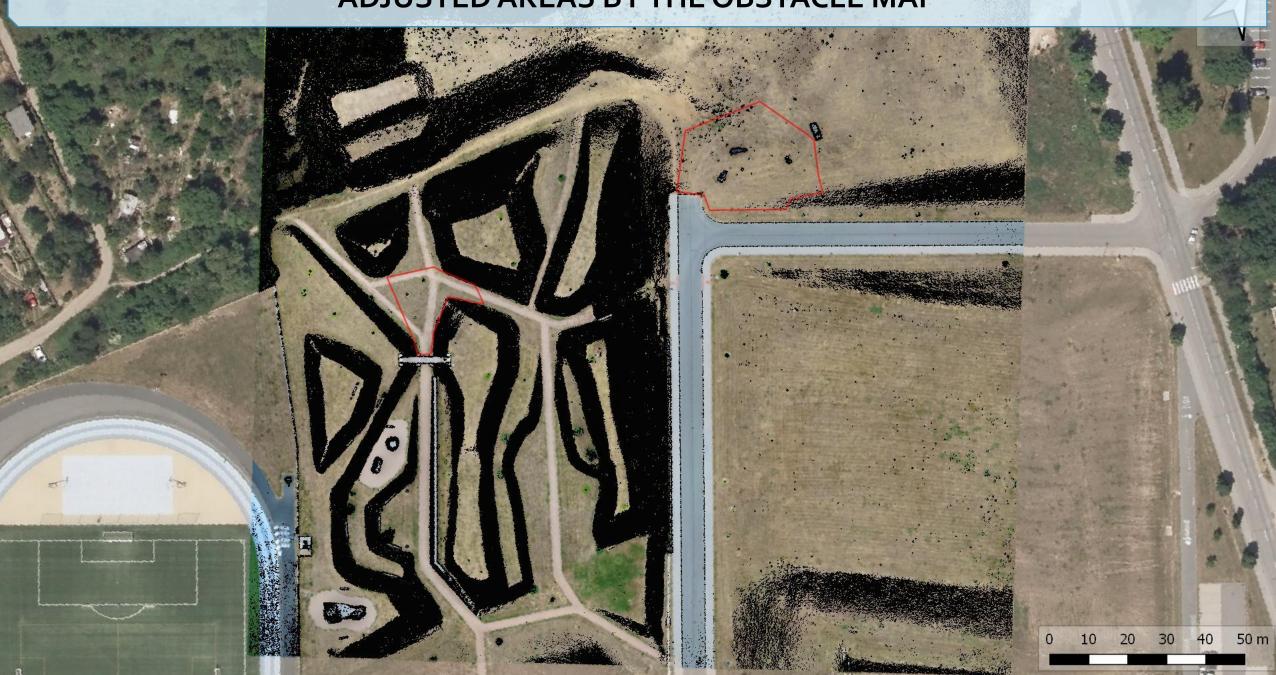
Dose rate 207 nGy/h

10 20 30 40 50 m

AUTOMATICALLY SELECTED CONTAMINATED AREAS



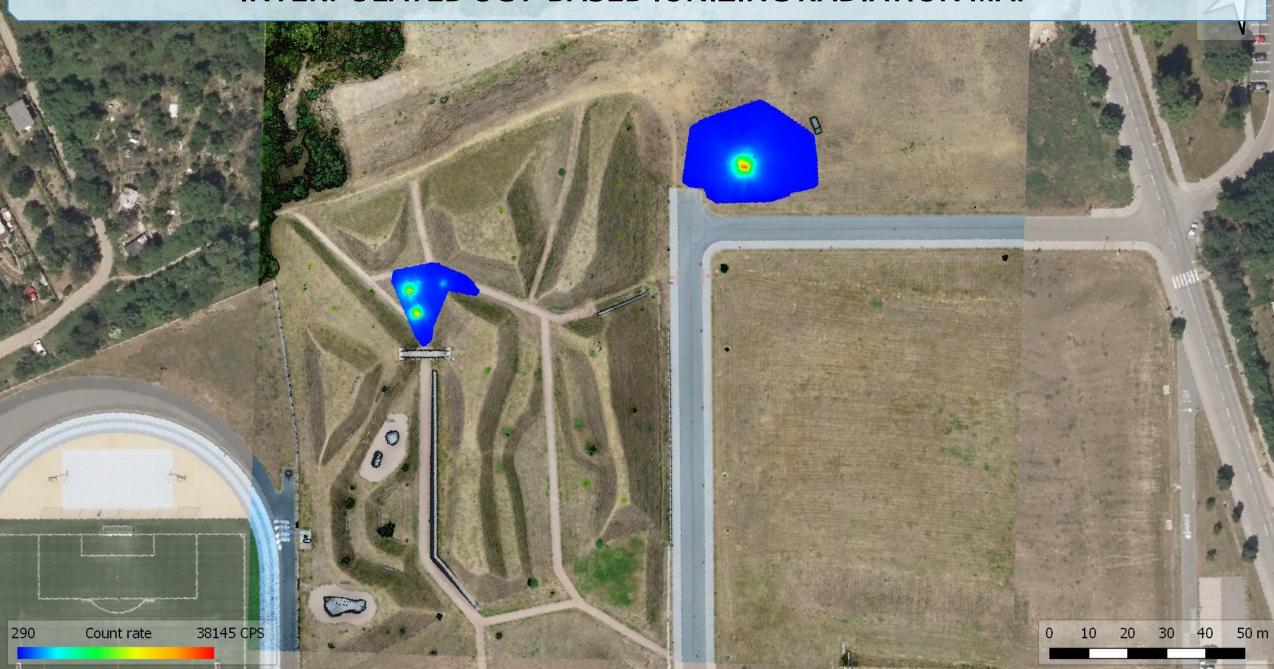
ADJUSTED AREAS BY THE OBSTACLE MAP



UGV TRAJECTORY FOR THE TERRESTRIAL IONIZING RADIATION MAPPING



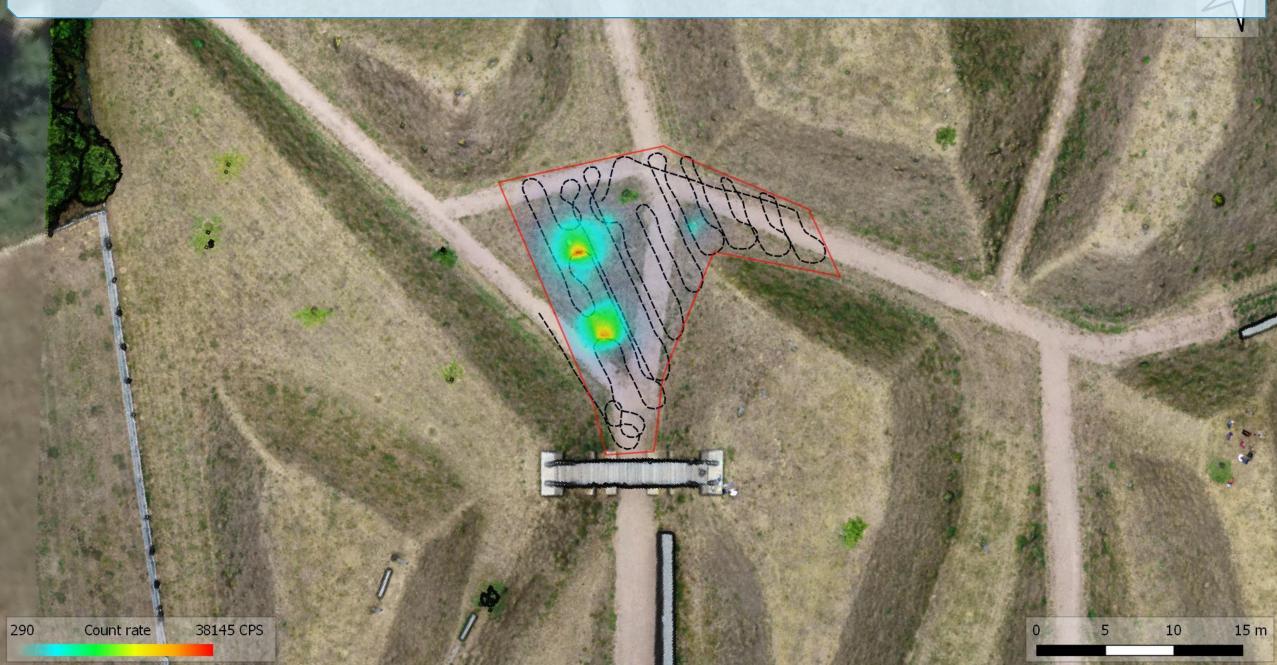
INTERPOLATED UGV-BASED IONIZING RADIATION MAP



DETAIL OF THE CONTAMINATED AREA 1

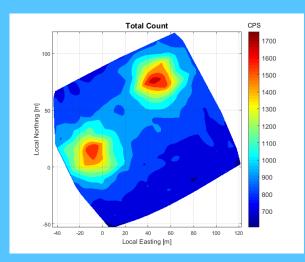


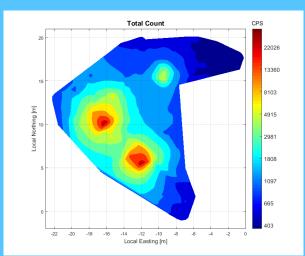
DETAIL OF THE CONTAMINATED AREA 2



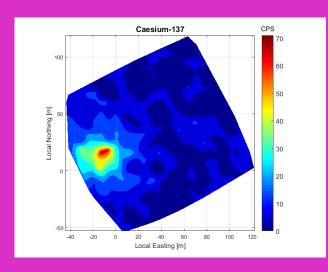
Results

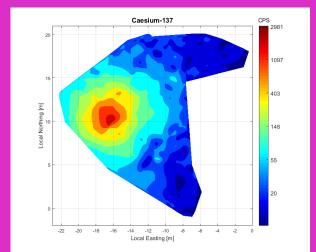
TOTAL COUNT



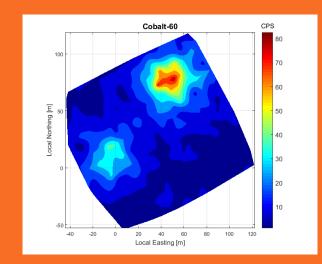


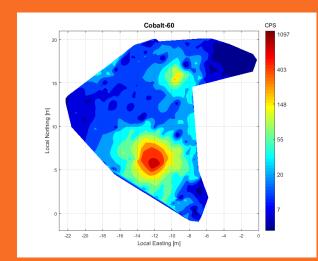
CAESIUM-137

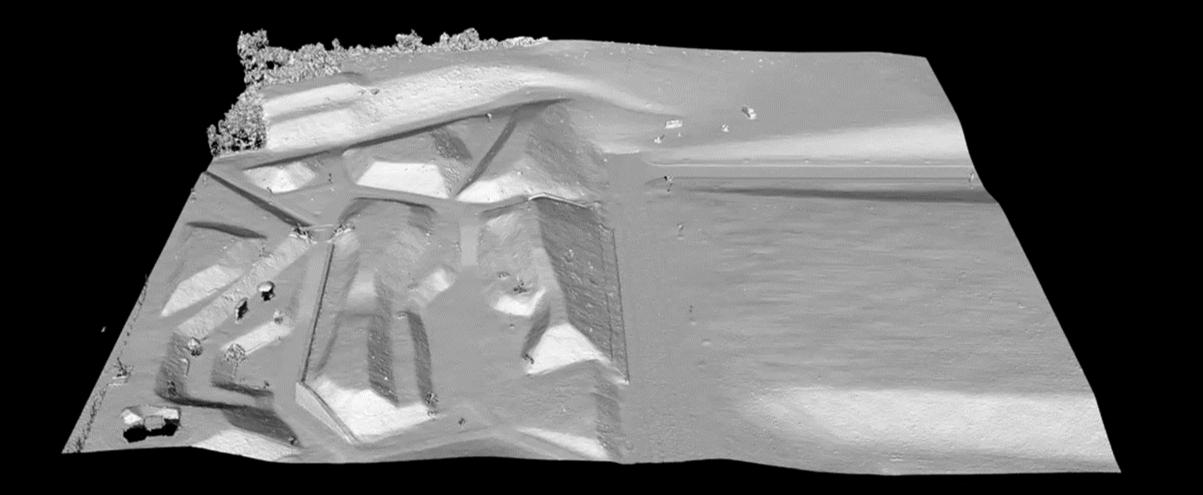




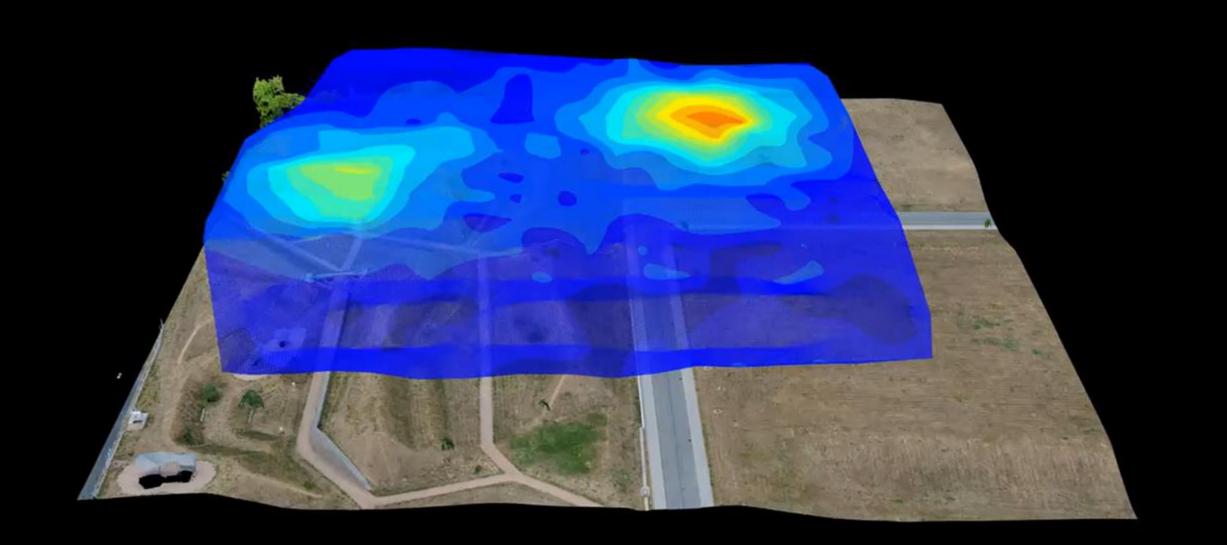
COBALT-40



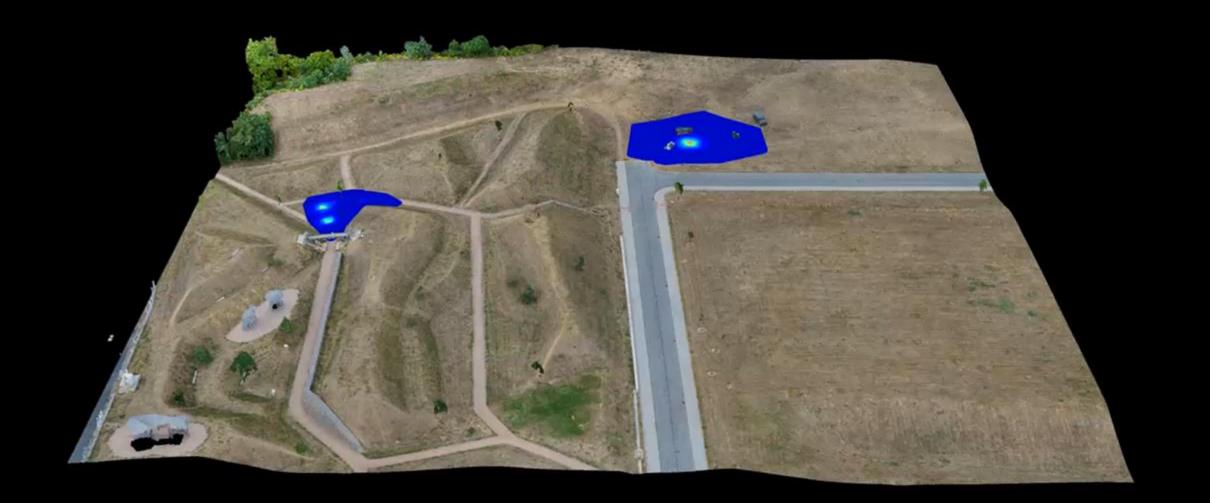








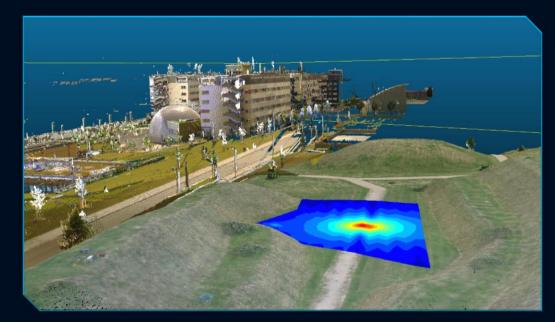




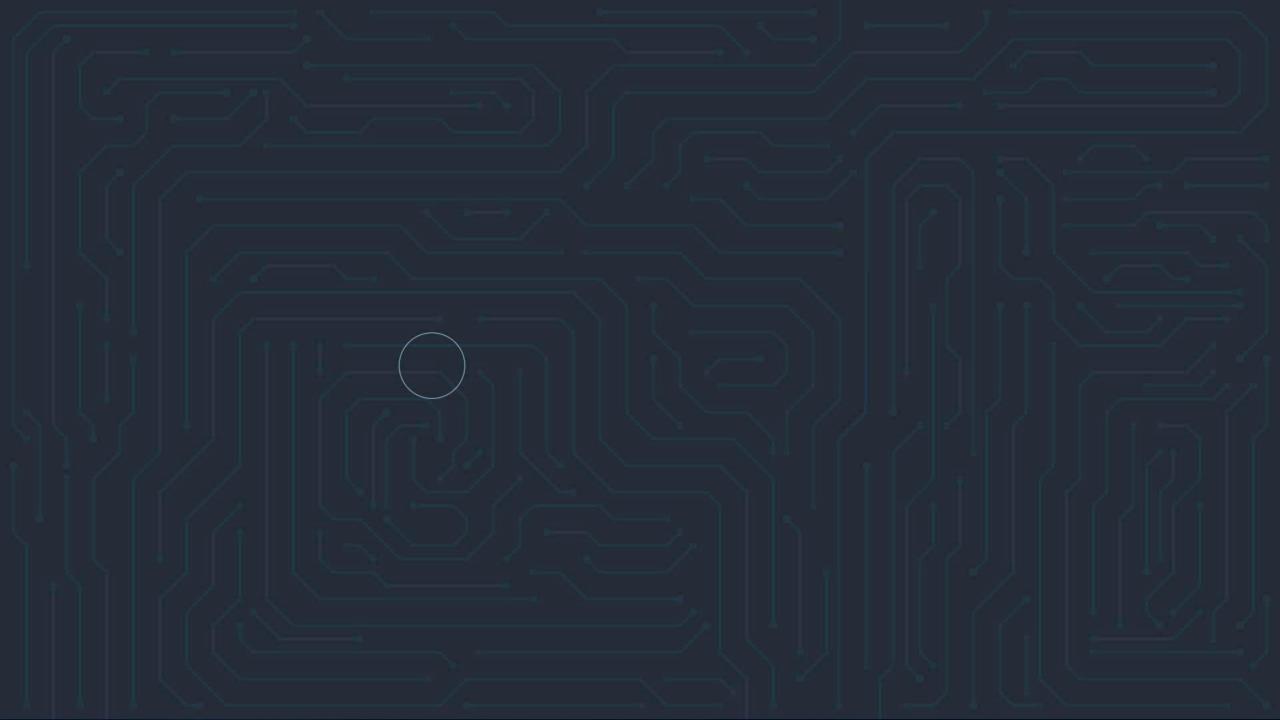
Results & Future Plans

- hot areas successfully identified
- achievable sources found and lozalized

- autonomous obstacle avoidance
- RTK navigation of drone
- combination with telepresence





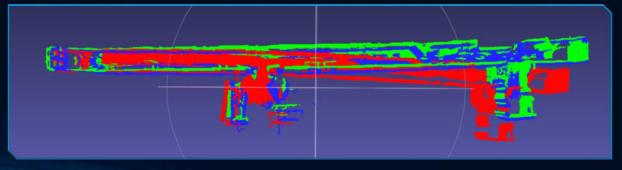


Future Plans - Obstacle Avoidance





- necessary for more autonomy
- 3D map is known but may change during mission



Radiation Field Measurement

- cooperation with:
 - SURO,
 - NUVIA,
 - VVU Brno,
 - SUJEB

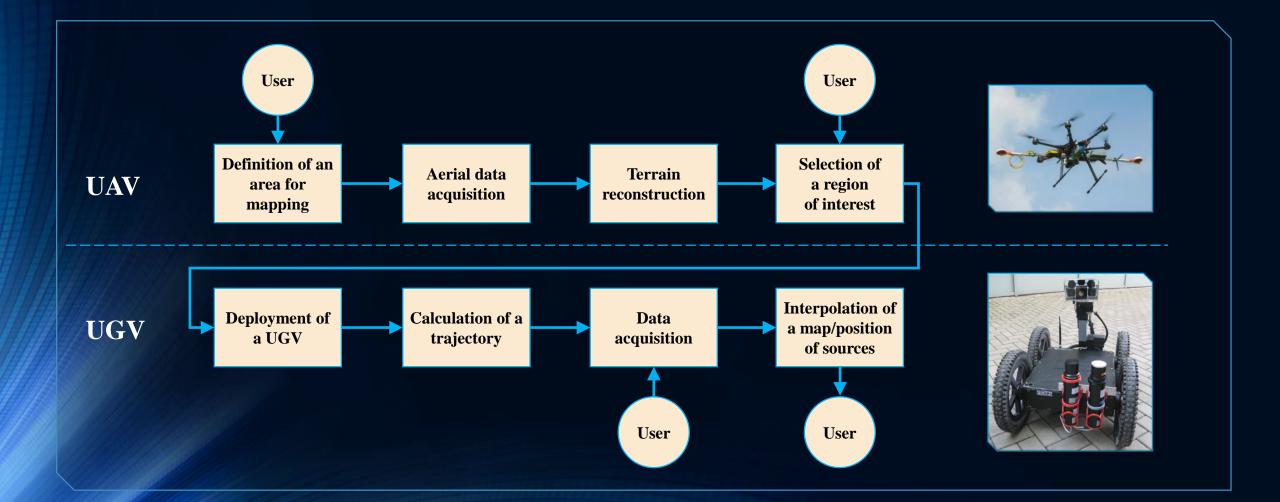
• CAK + TACR EPSILON project







Sequence of tasks

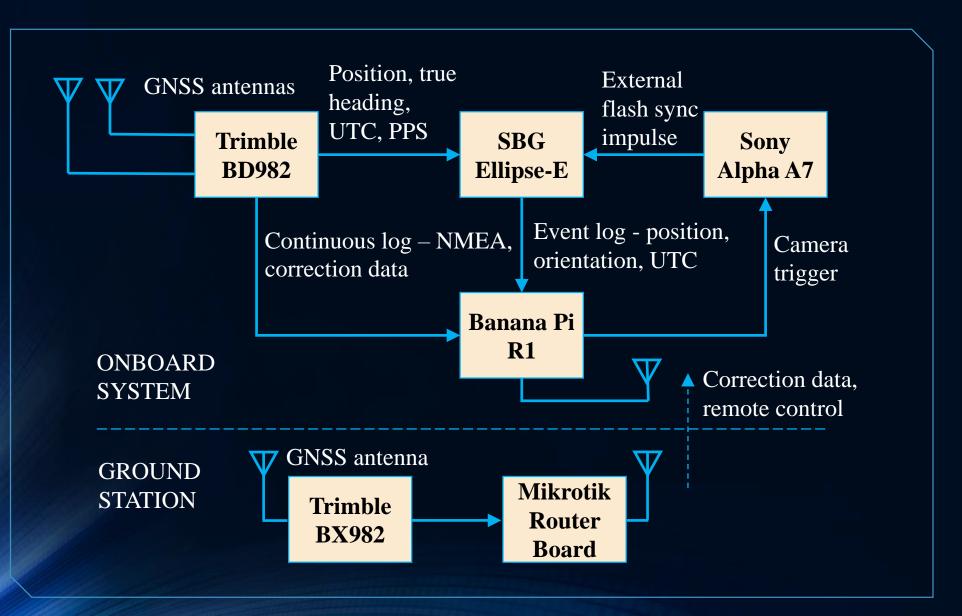


UAV – DJI S800

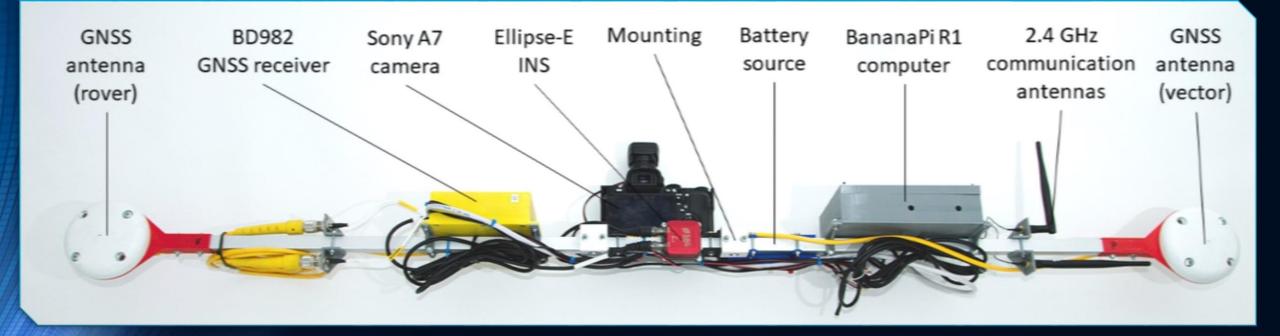
- Used for aerial photogrammetry
- Equipped with custom multi-sensor system
 - Digital camera
 - GNSS receiver (RTK) with two antennas
 - Inertial navigation system
 - Faciliates direct georeferencing of aerial imagery
- Enables to create up-to-date ortophoto and digital elevation model (DEM)



UAV – Interconnection of components



UAV Photogrammetry and Self-loc Module



UGV – Orpheus-X3

- Four-wheeled mid-size civil reconnaisance robot
- Self-localization module (RTK GNSS, INS, odometry)
- Navigation module
- Gamma radiation detection system
 - A pair of 2-inch NaI(Tl) detectors
 - Lead diaphragm
 - Counting electronics (spectrometric)
 - Controlled by the on-board PC



UGV – Interconnection of components

