
Coordinated motion control of underactuated autonomous underwater vehicles

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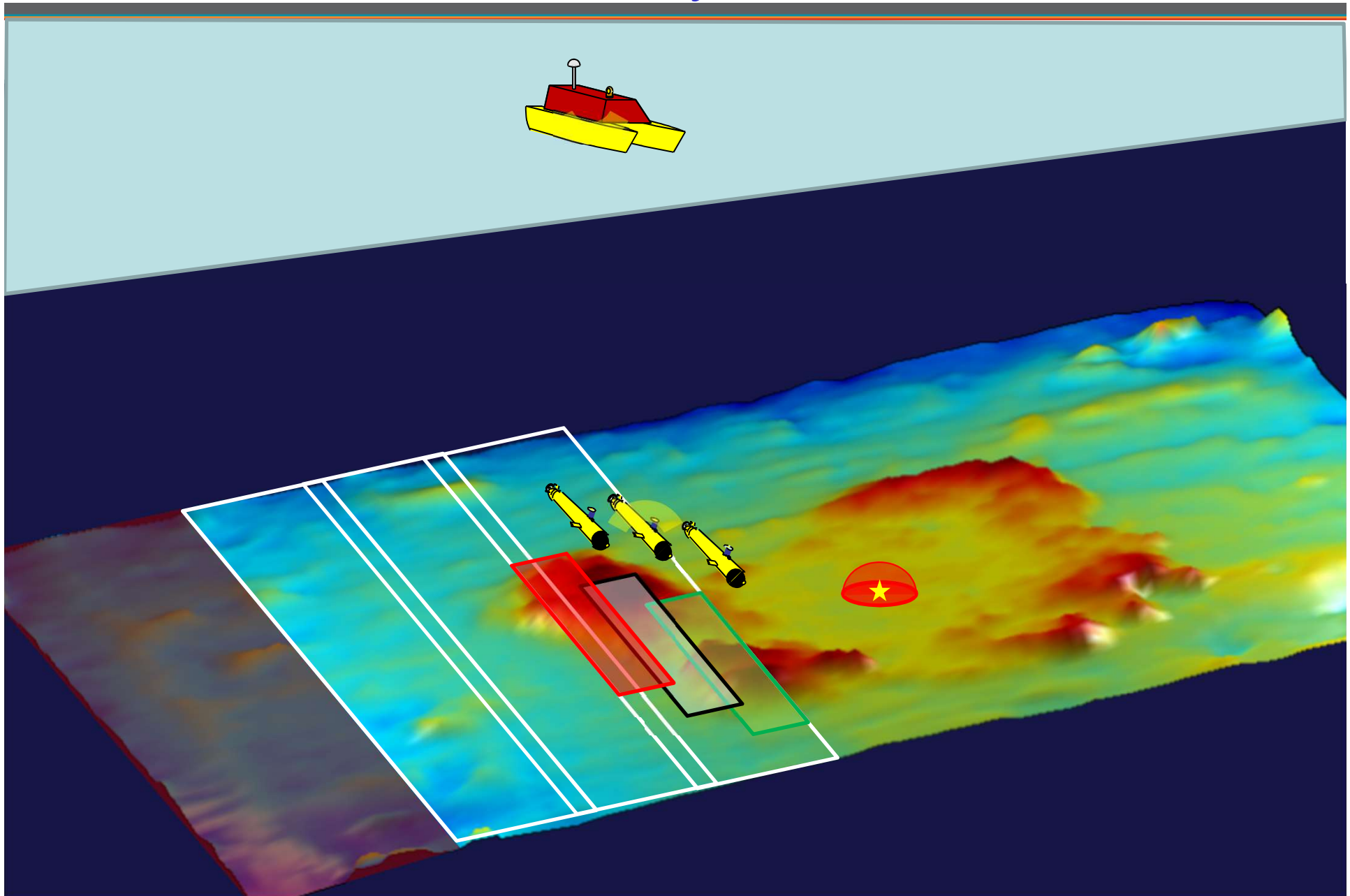
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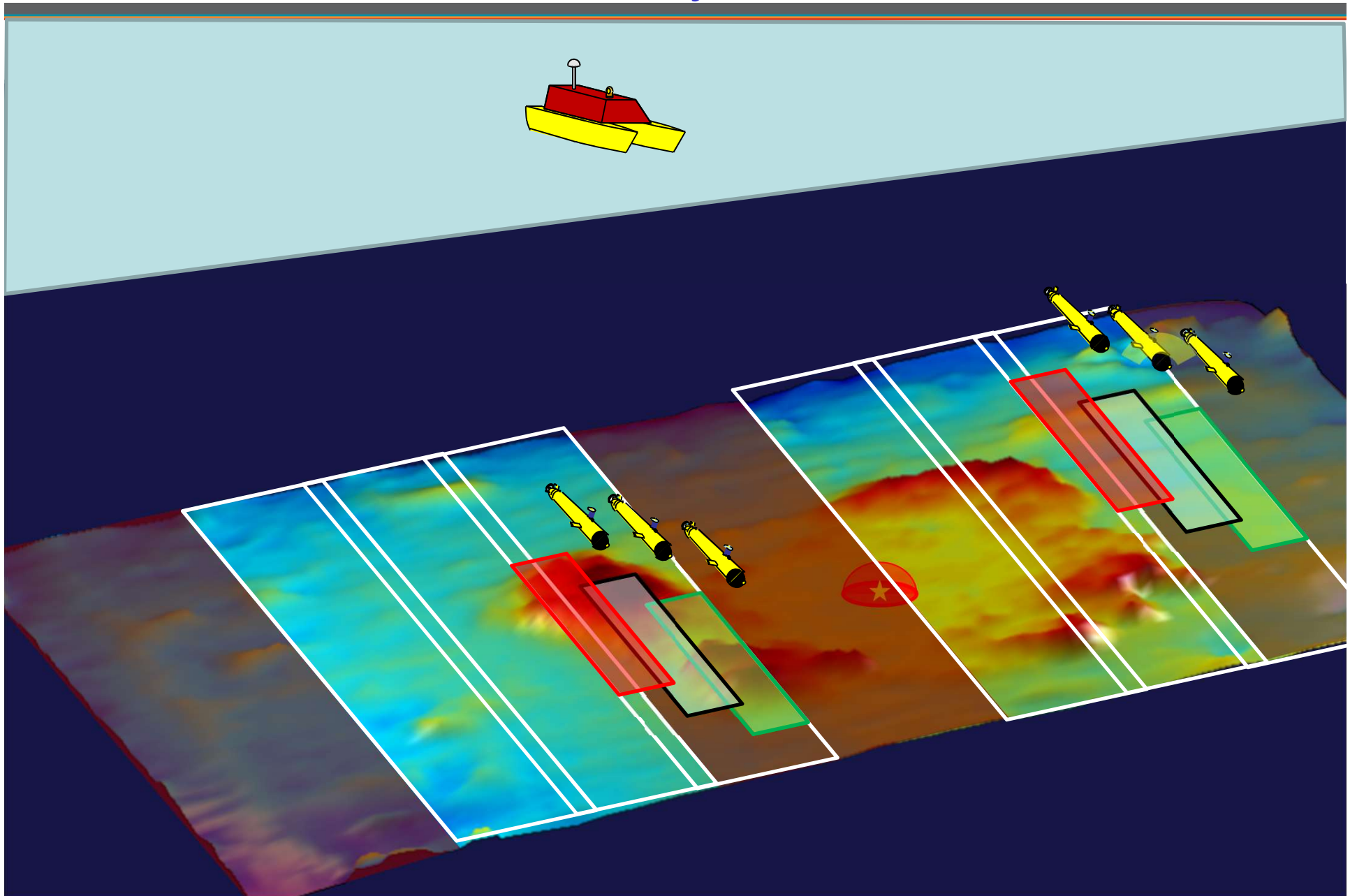
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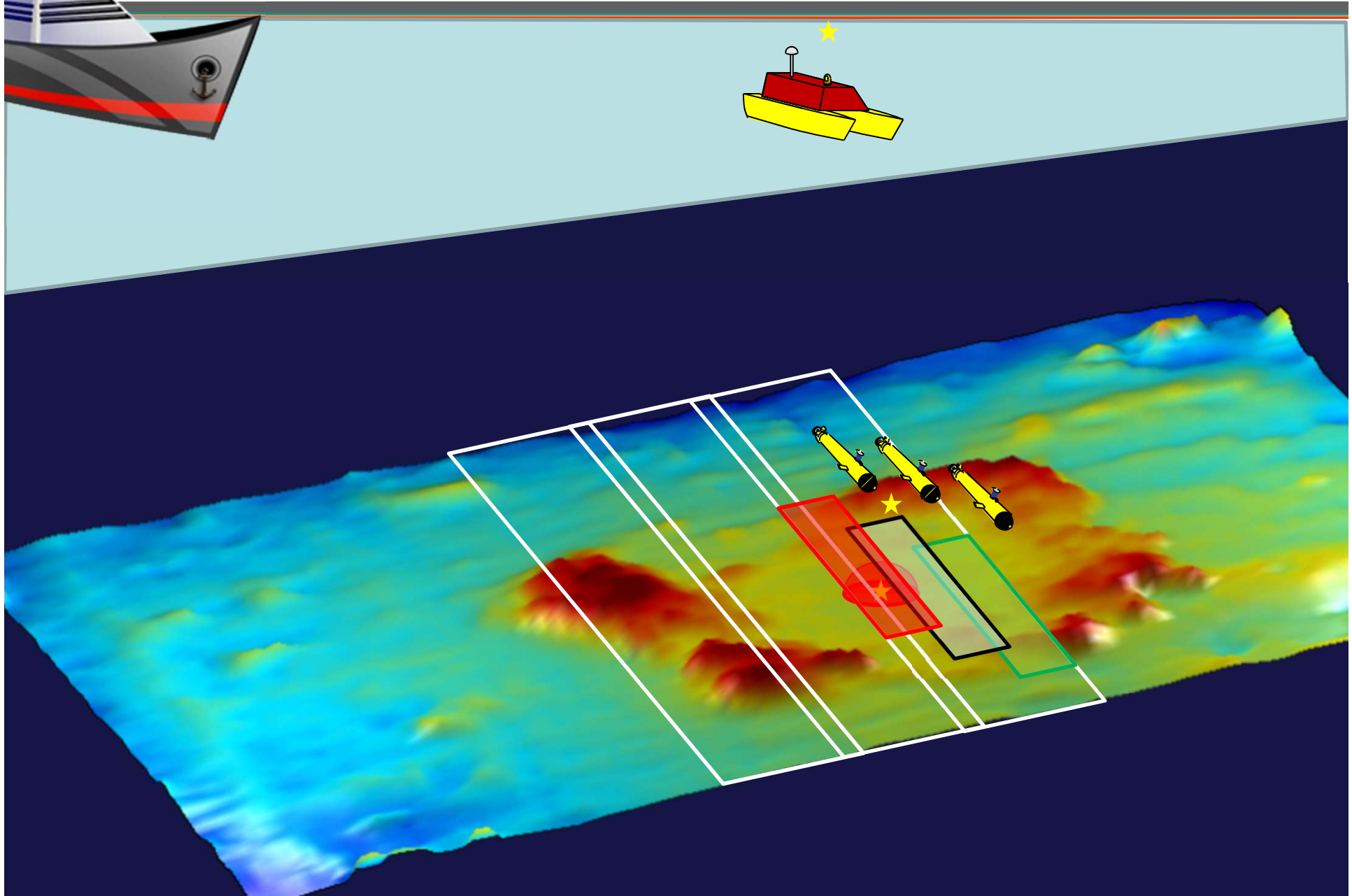
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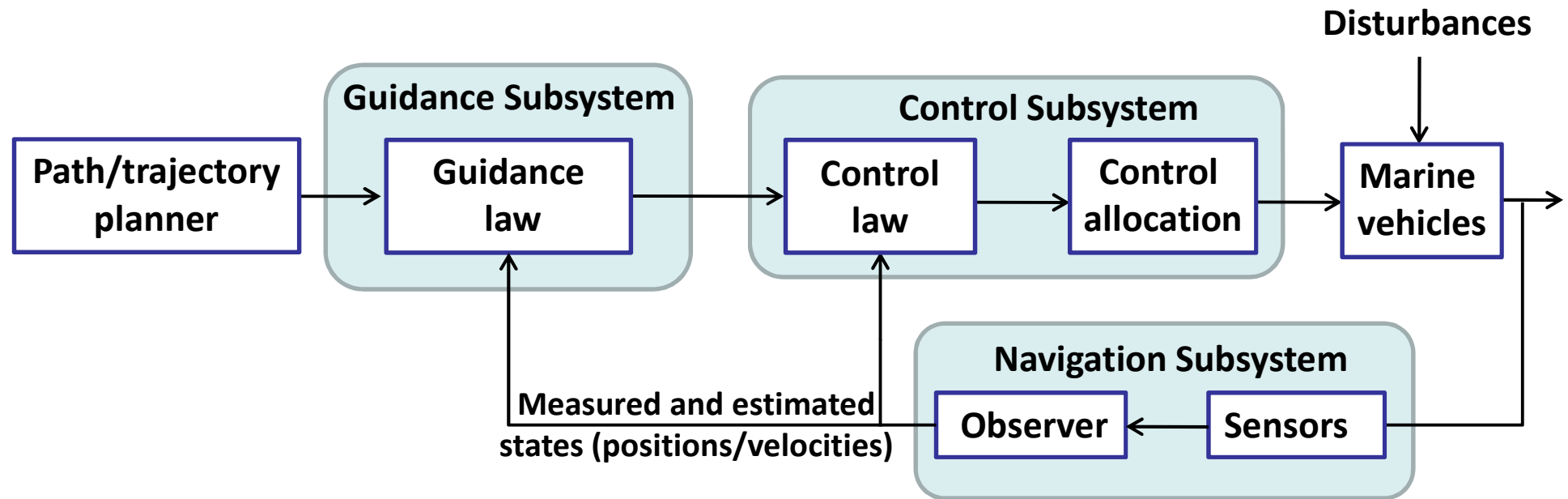
Background

Key issues

- Autonomous vehicles
- Underactuation / Isoactuation
- Constrained communication
- Coordinated path-following
- Formation keeping and RDVs
- Centralized / decentralized control

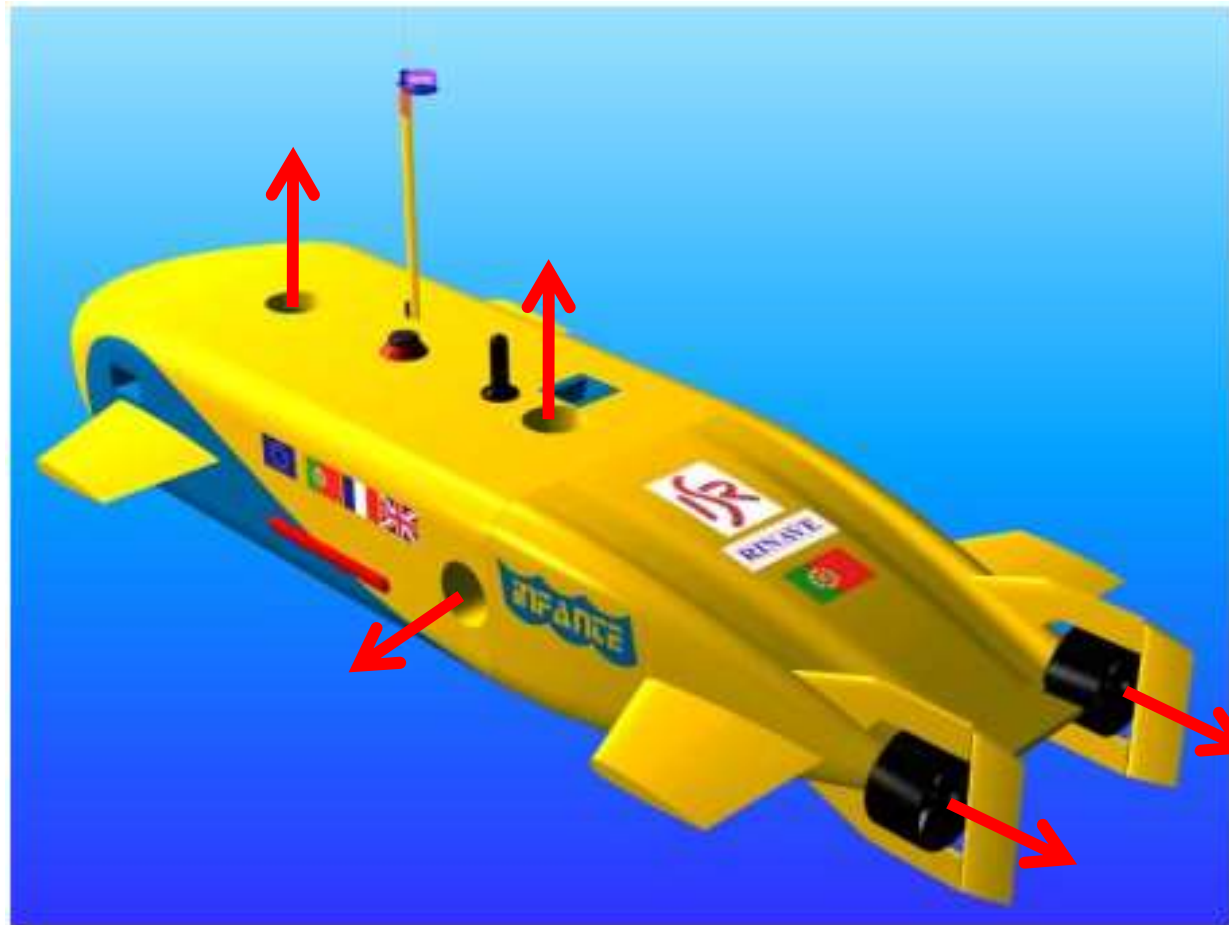
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Closed-loop marine control system



Motivation

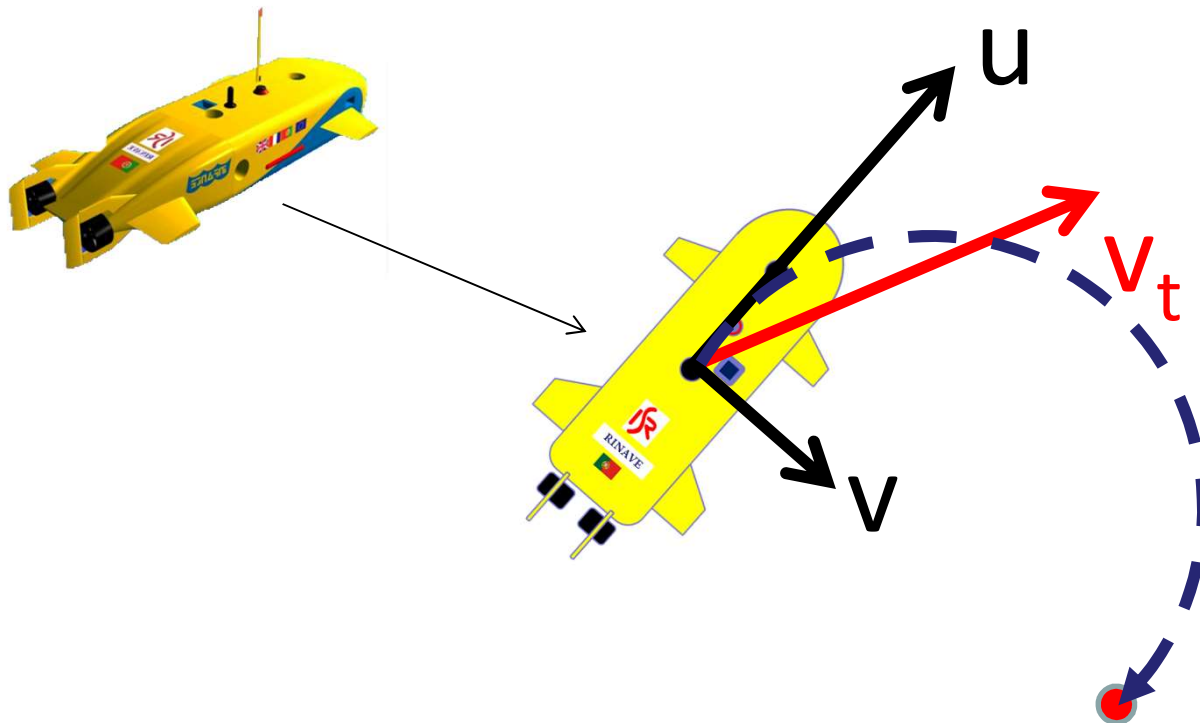
Why Autonomous underactuated vehicle



Motivation

Motion control of underactuated vehicles

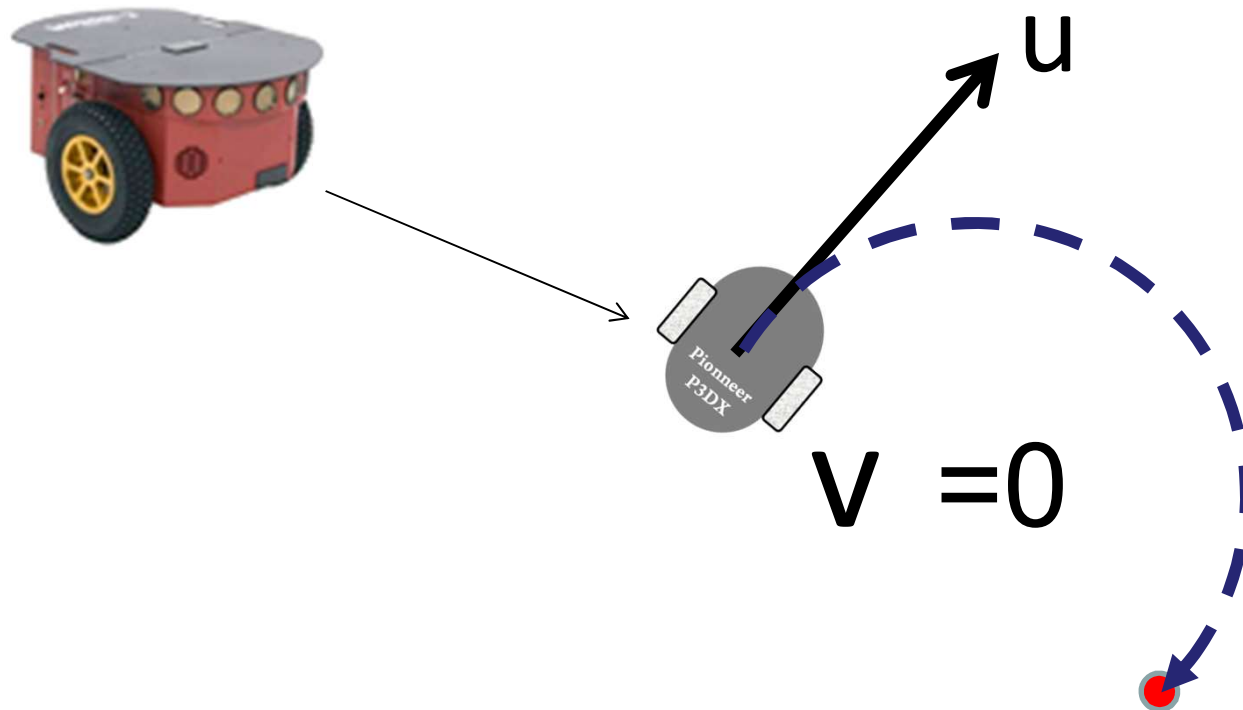
Side-slip ($v \neq 0$), but no sway actuator



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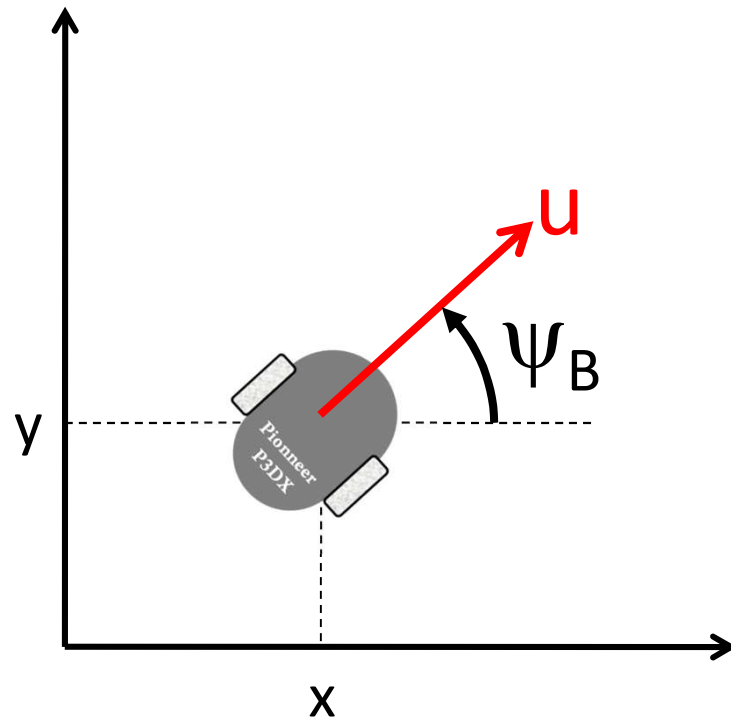
Motion control of unicycle wheeled system

No side-slip ($v = 0$)

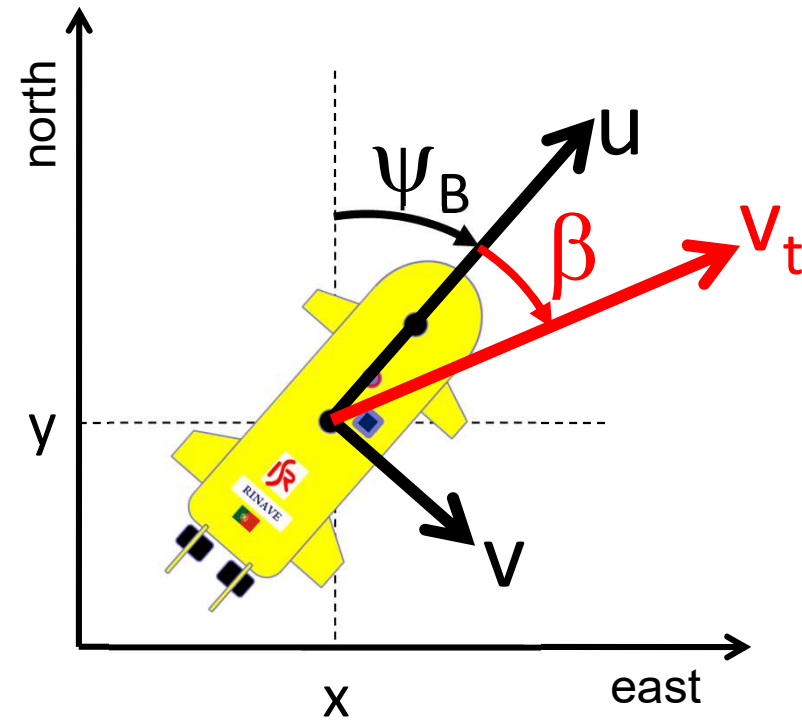


Modeling

Unicycle V.S. AUV



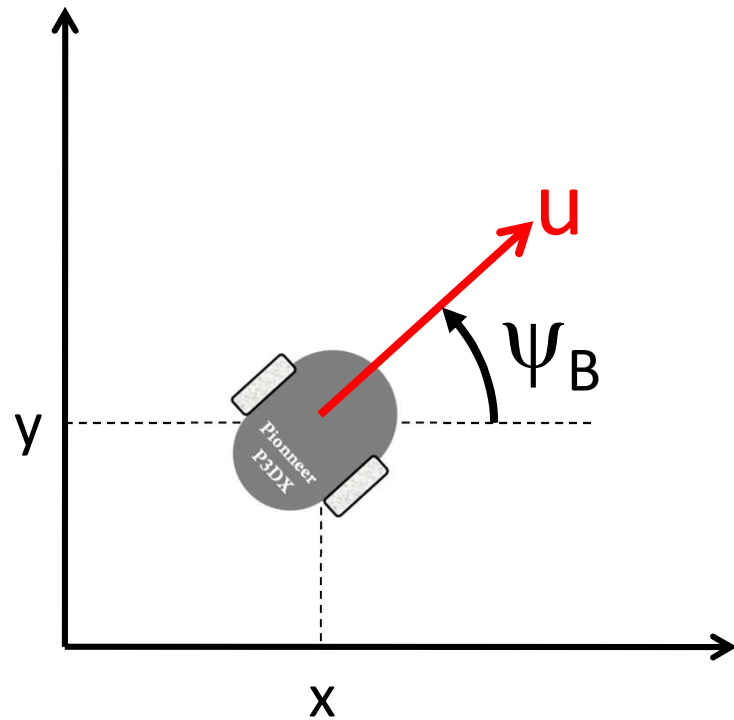
$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = u \cos \psi_B \\ \dot{y} = u \sin \psi_B \\ \dot{\psi}_B = r \end{cases}$$



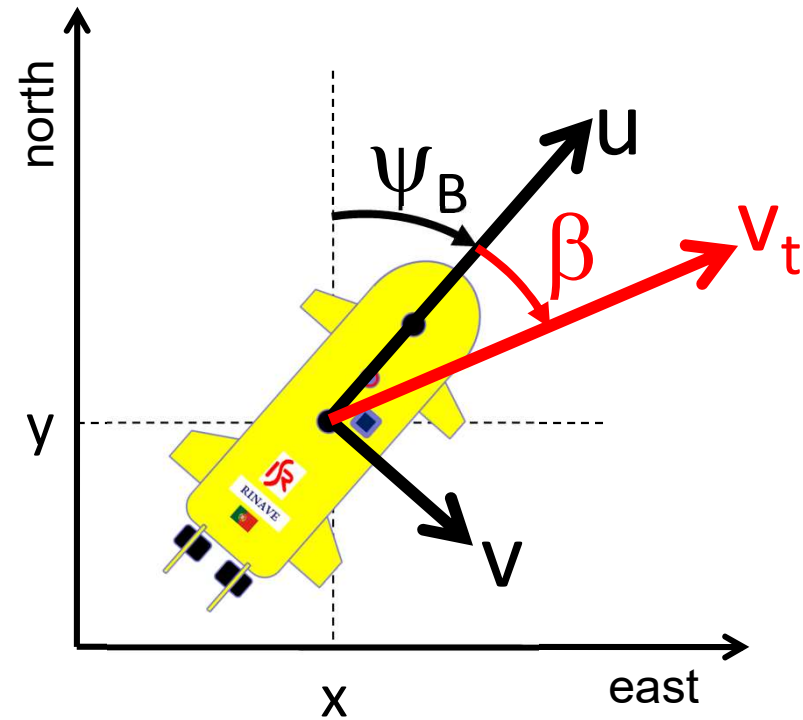
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Modeling

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$$\dot{y} \cos \psi_B - \dot{x} \sin \psi_B = 0$$

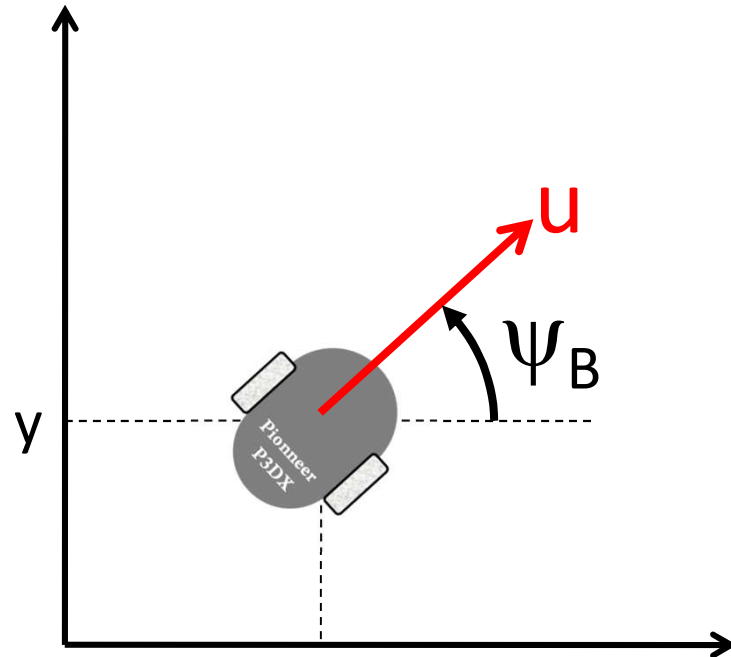


$$m_{22}\dot{v} + m_{23}\dot{r} + m_{11}ur + d_{22}v + d_{23}r = 0$$

Nonholonomic constraints (1st and 2nd order)

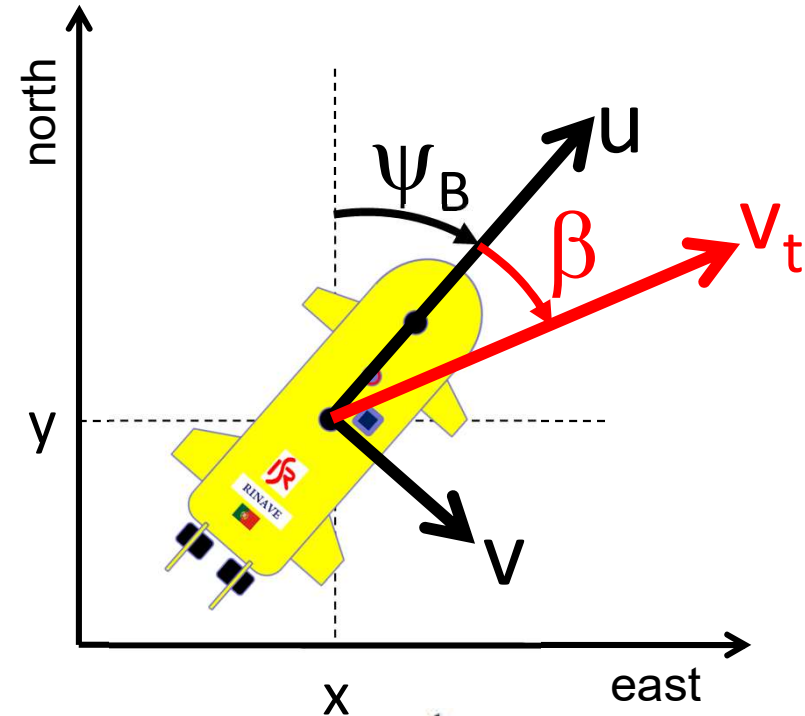
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$$\beta = 0, \forall t \begin{cases} \dot{x} = u \cos \psi_B \\ \dot{y} = u \sin \psi_B \\ \dot{\psi}_B = r \end{cases}$$

Kinematic Control



$$\dot{\beta} = \frac{u\dot{u} - v\dot{v}}{v_t^2} \begin{cases} \dot{x} = v_t \cos \psi \\ \dot{y} = v_t \sin \psi \\ \dot{\psi} = r + \dot{\beta} \end{cases}$$

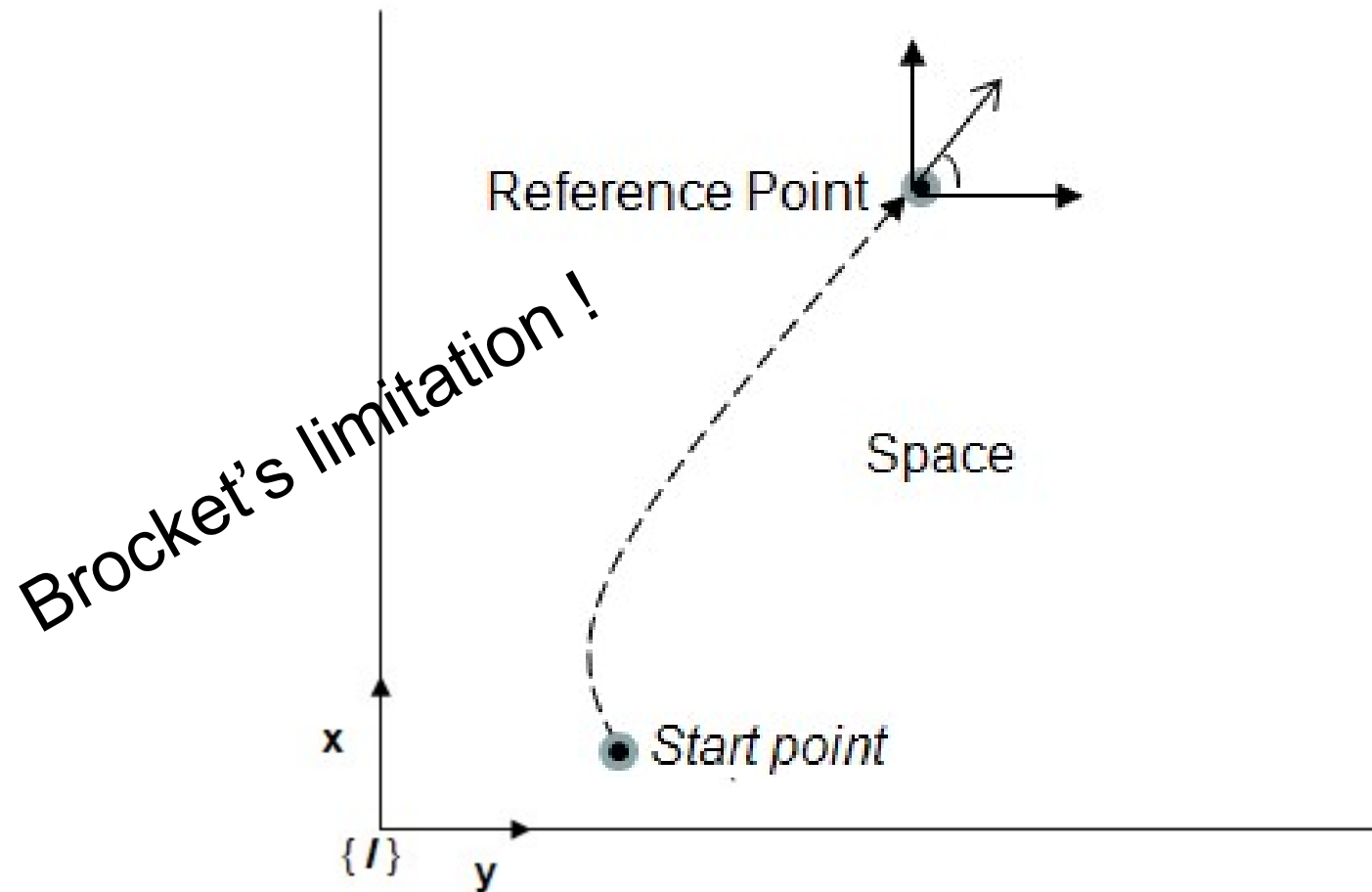
Dynamic Control

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Current motion control strategies

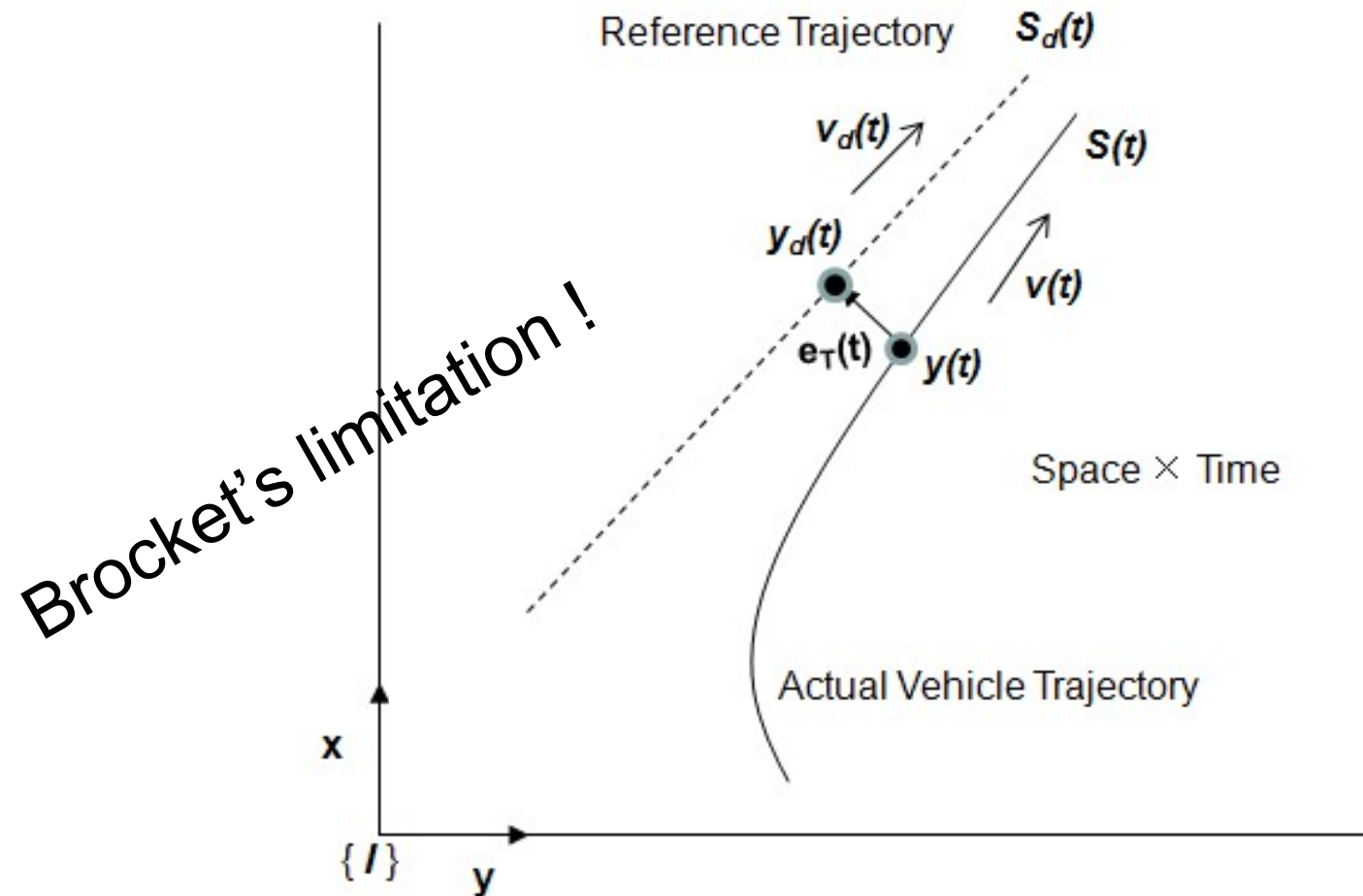
Point Stabilisation (PS)



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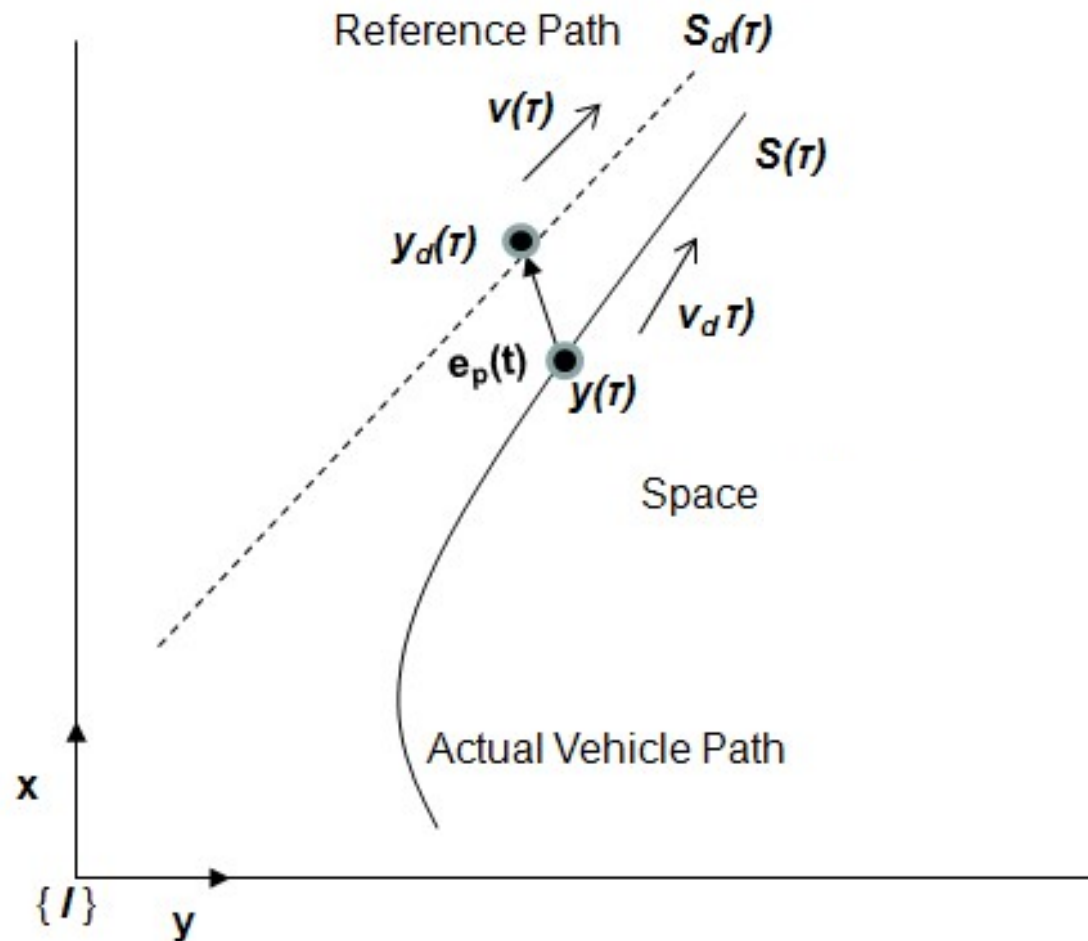
Trajectory Tracking (TT)



Motion Control

Current motion control strategies

Path Following (PF)

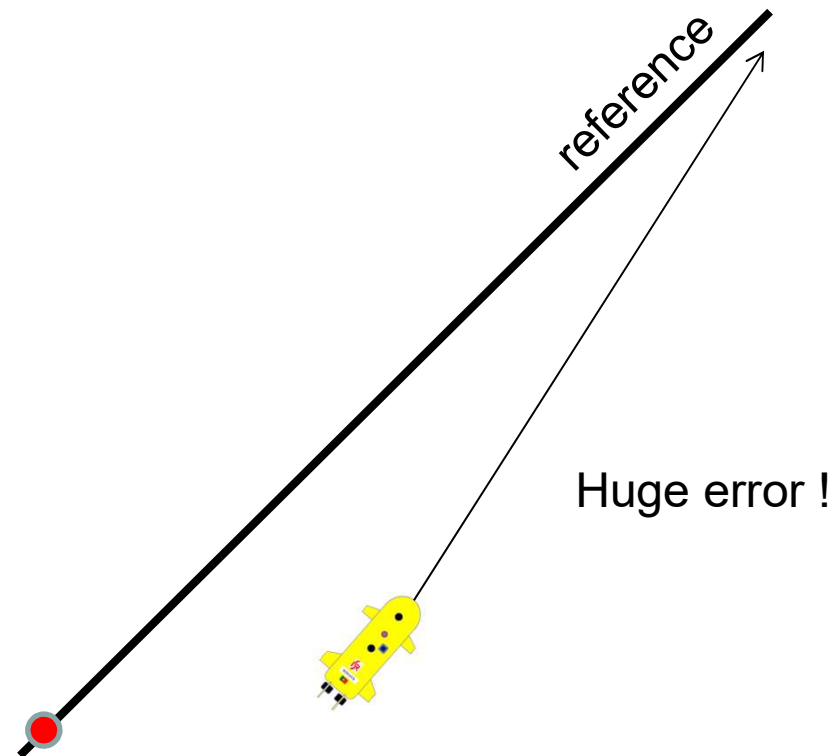


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Trajectory Tracking VS. Path Following

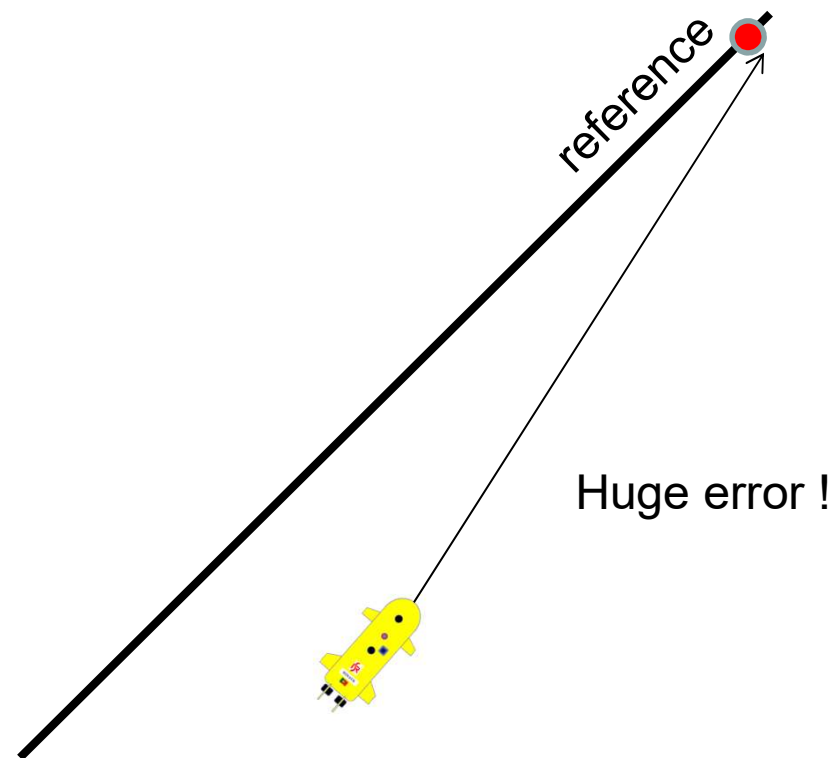
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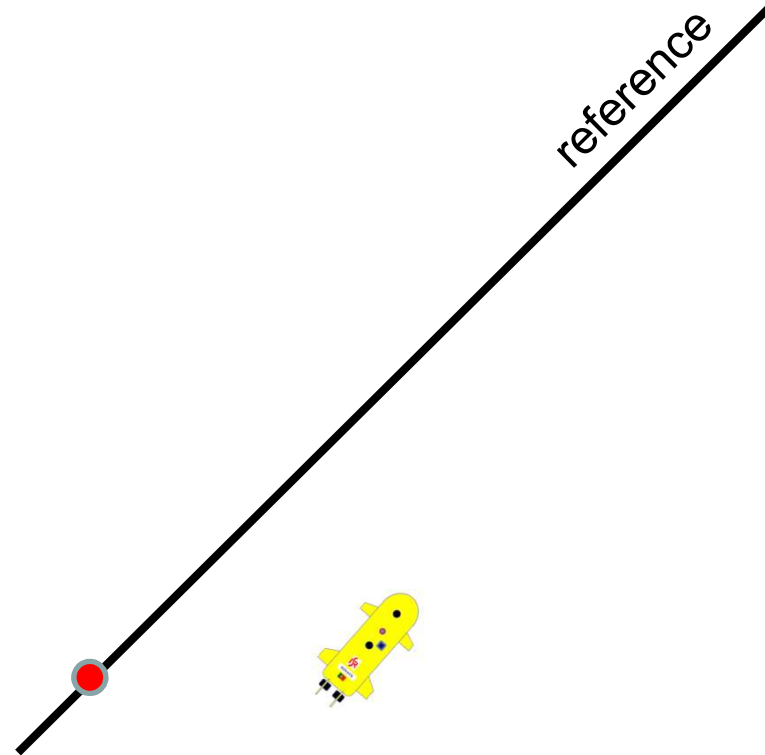


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Trajectory Tracking VS. Path Following

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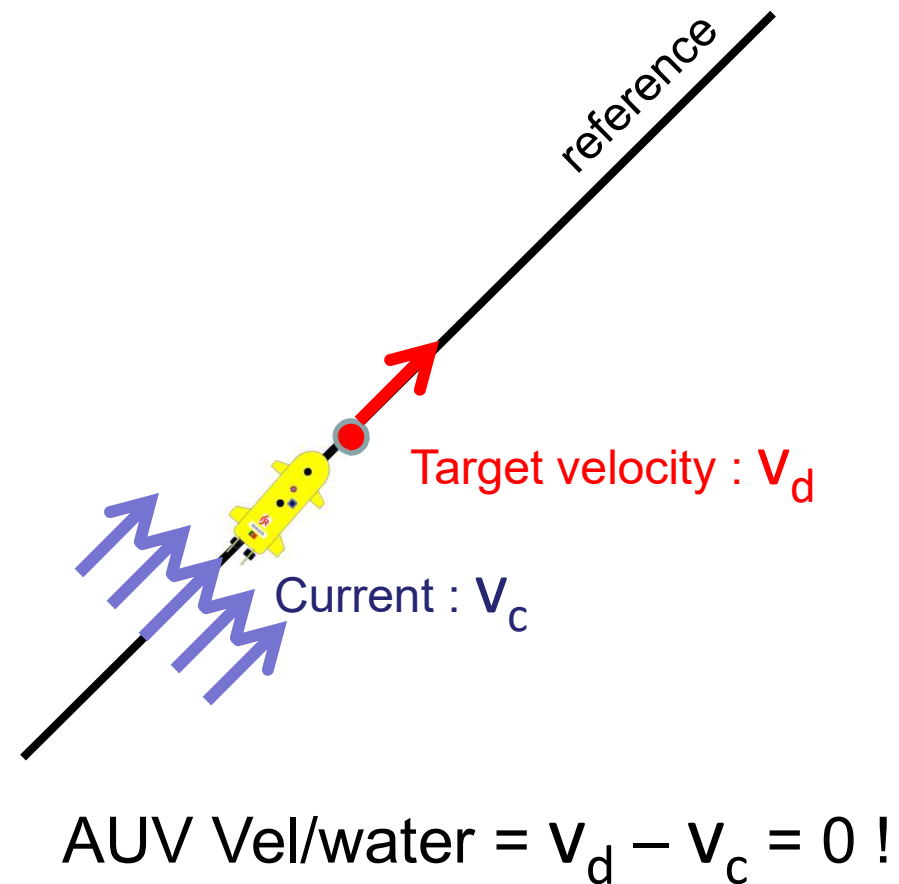


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- Risk of Stalling
(loosing efficiency of the surfaces of control)

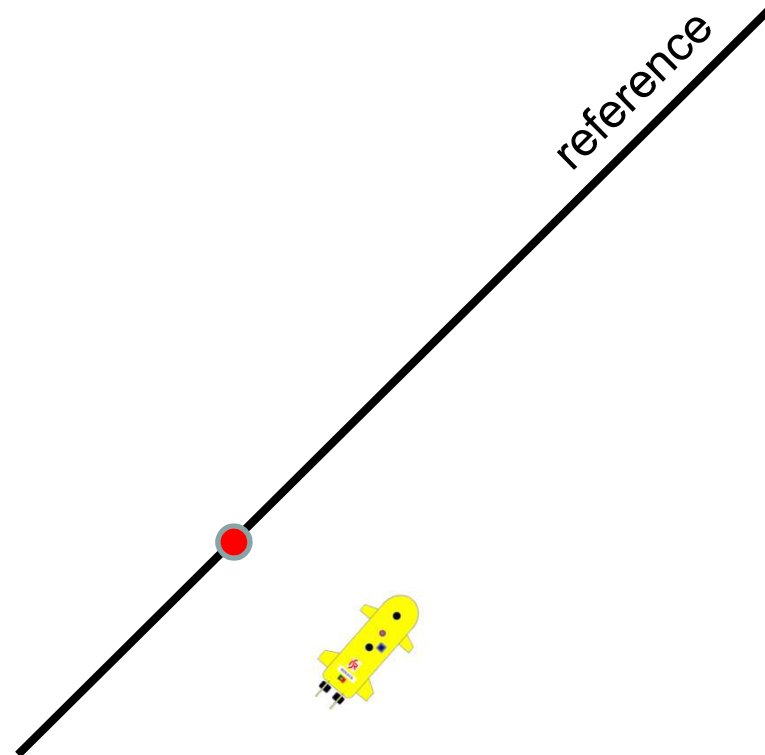


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Trajectory Tracking VS. Path Following

Path Following (PF)

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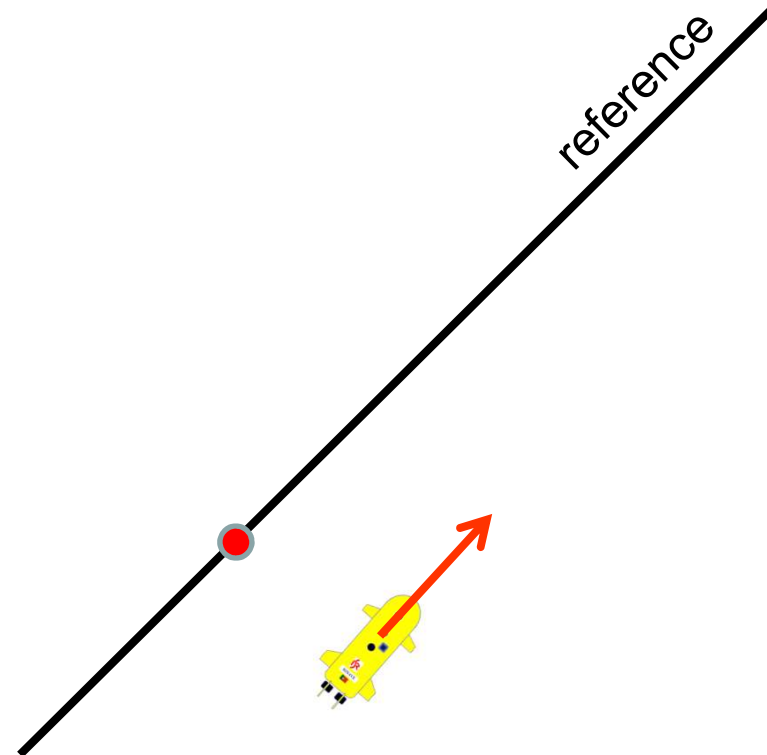


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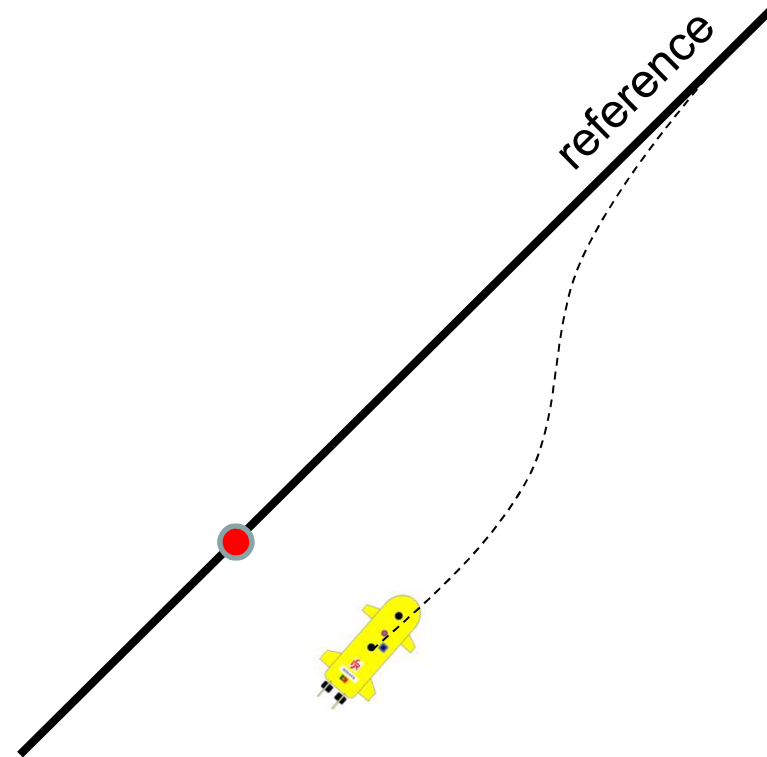


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- Smoother convergence

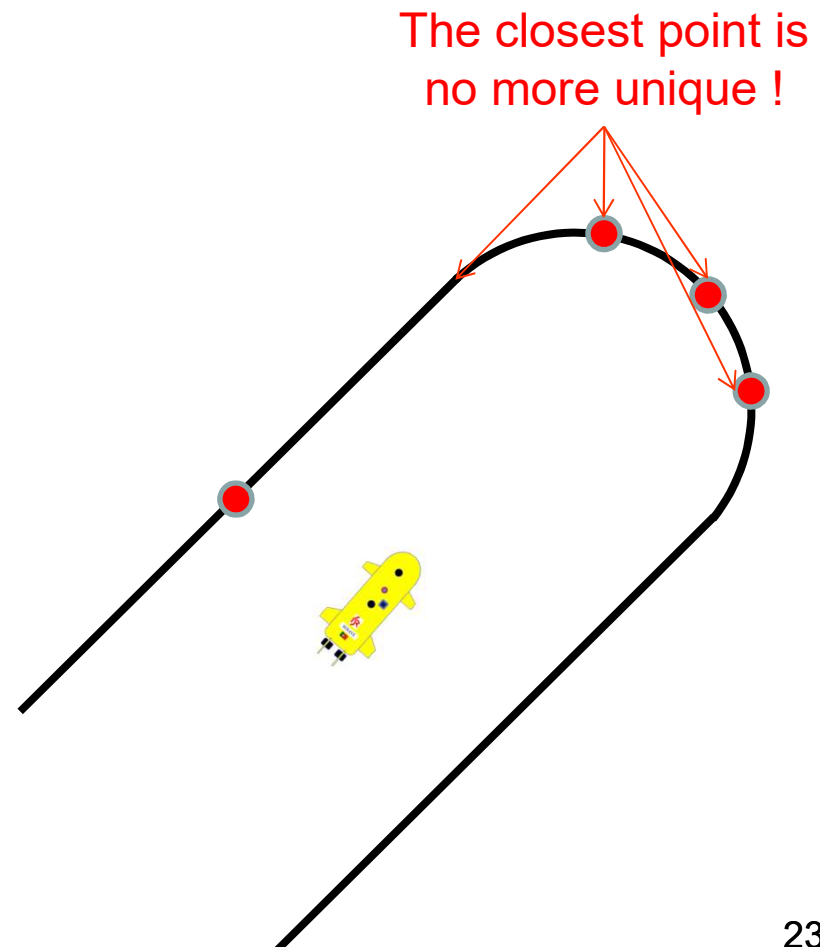


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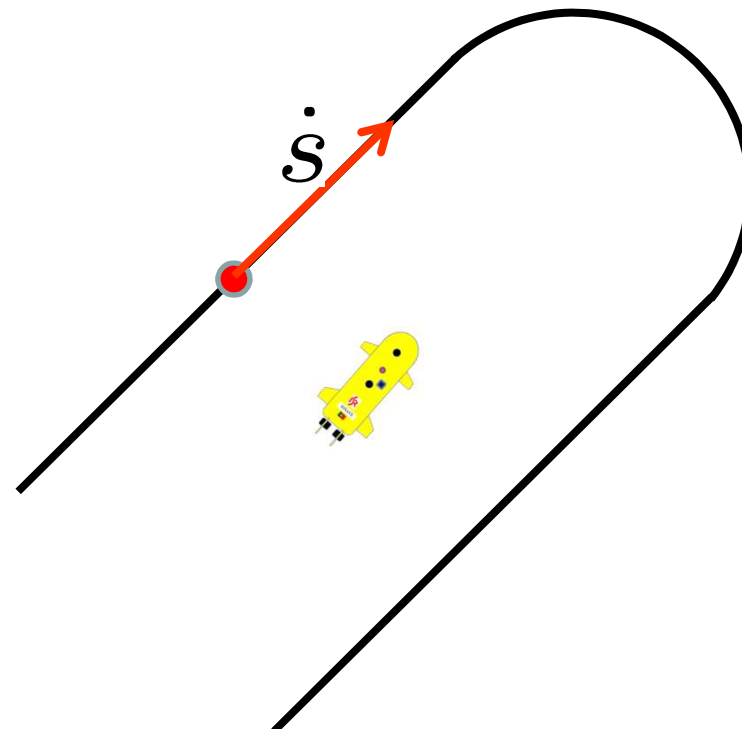
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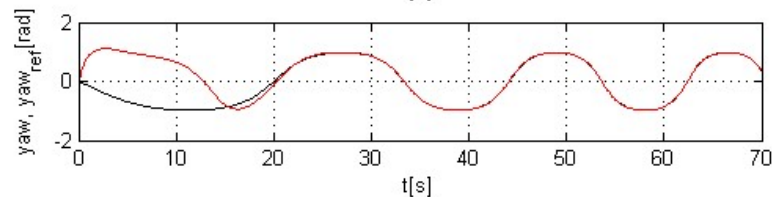
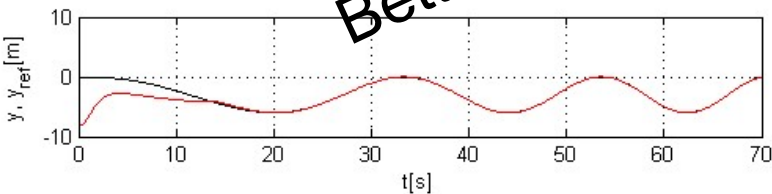
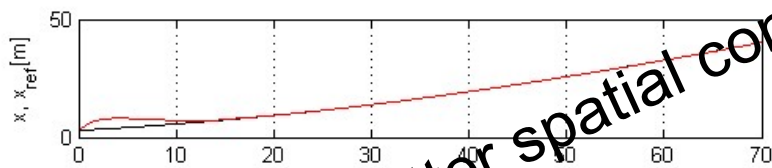
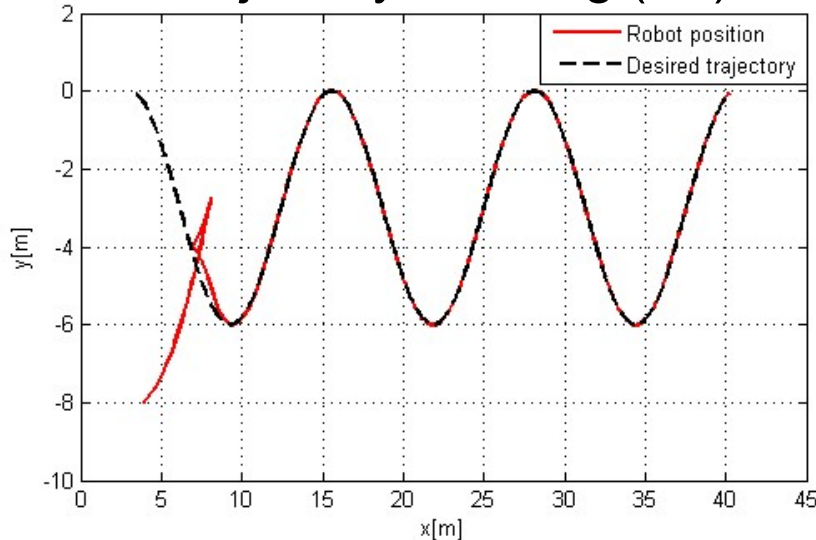
Virtual Target Principle :
 $\dot{s} = v_t \cos \theta + K_s s_1$



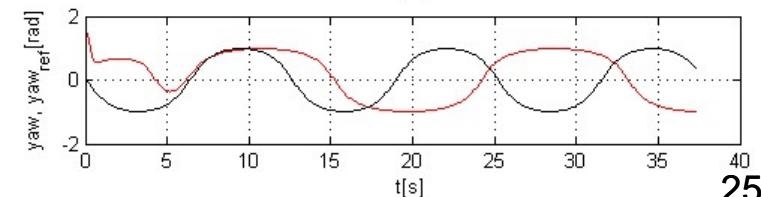
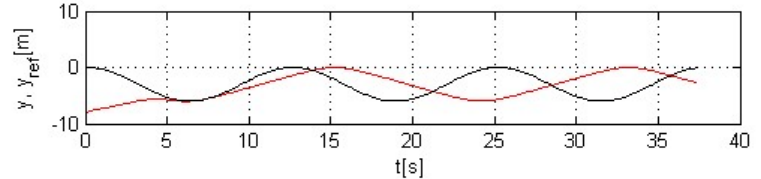
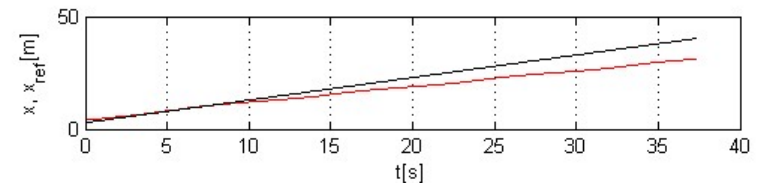
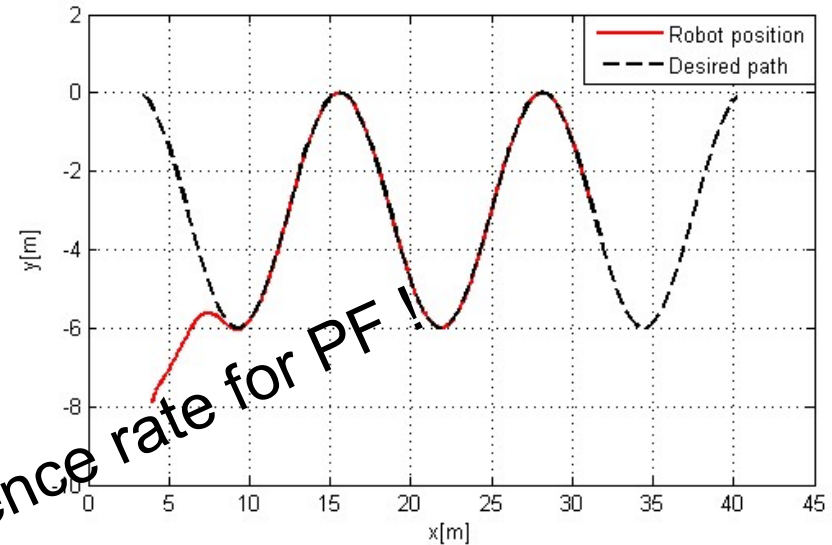
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Trajectory Tracking V.S. Path Following

Trajectory Tracking (TT)



Path Following (PF)



Better spatial convergence rate for PF !

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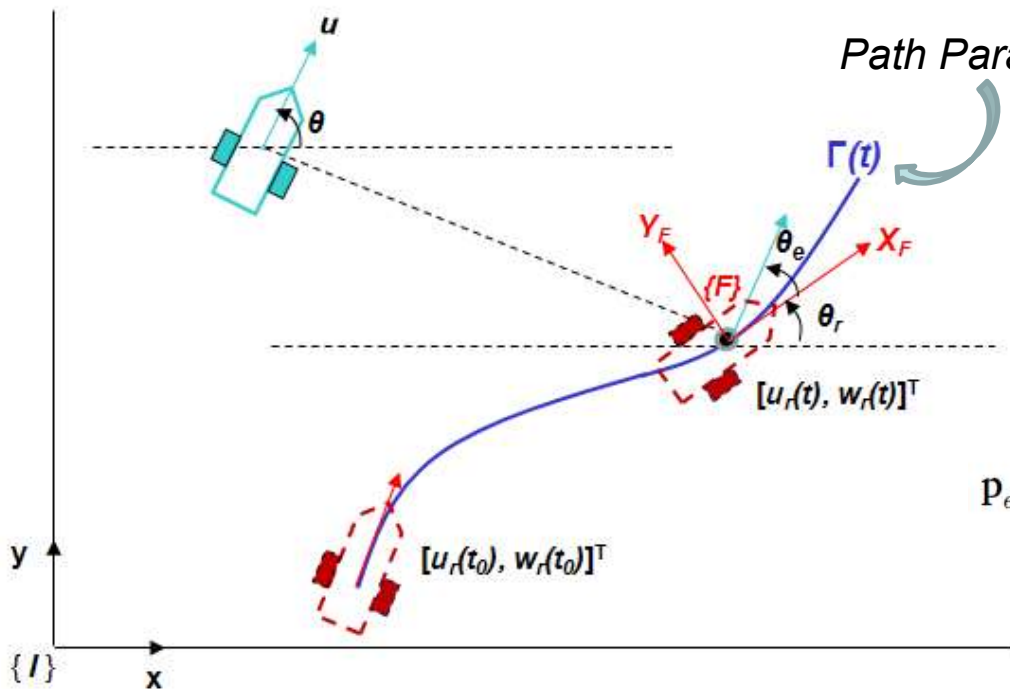
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- Aggressive maneuvers
- Risk of Stalling
- Better Convergence rate

Control Design

Mathematical framework: unicycle

Trajectory Tracking (TT)



Control Objective

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{p}_{eF}\| = 0$$

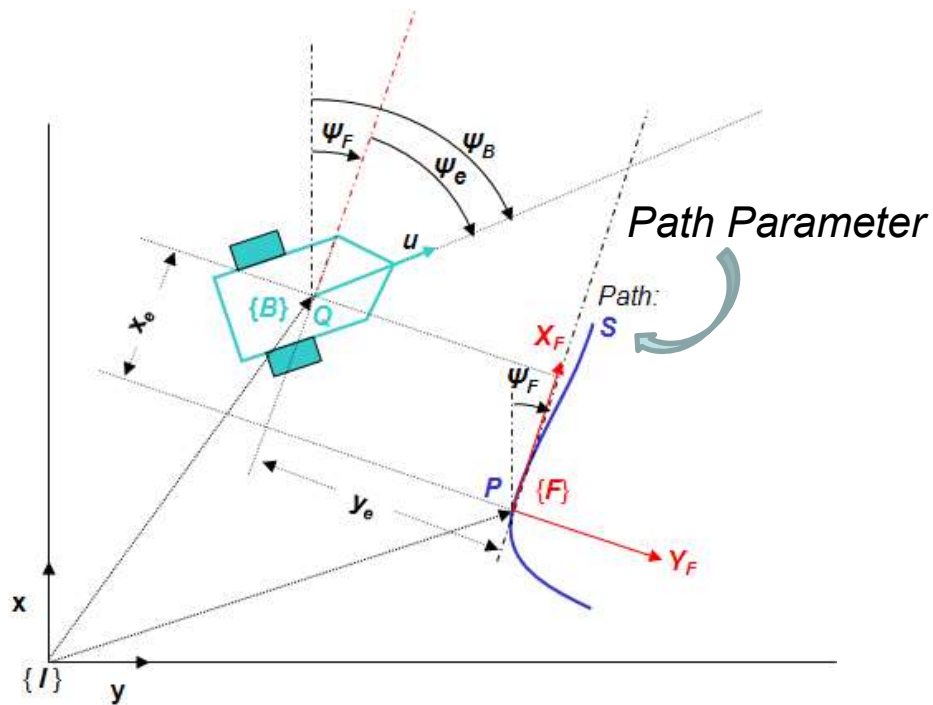
$$\mathbf{p}_{eF} = \begin{bmatrix} x_e \\ y_e \\ \theta_e \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta_r & \sin \theta_r & 0 \\ -\sin \theta_r & \cos \theta_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x - x_r \\ y - y_r \\ \theta - \theta_r \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2}(x_e^2 + y_e^2 + \theta_e^2) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_r \cos \theta_e - k_1 x_e \cos \theta_e - k_1 y_e \sin \theta_e \\ \omega_r + u_r \left(x_e \frac{\sin \theta_e}{\theta_e} \sin \theta_e - y_e \frac{\sin \theta_e}{\theta_e} \cos \theta_e \right) - k_2 \theta_e \end{bmatrix}$$

Control Design

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Control Objective

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|P_{eF}\| = 0$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |u(t) - u_d(t)| = 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_e \\ \dot{y}_e \\ \dot{\psi}_e \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_c(s)\dot{s}y_e - \dot{s} + u \cos \psi_e \\ -c_c(s)\dot{s}x_e + u \sin \psi_e \\ \omega - c_c(s)\dot{s} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V_1 = \frac{1}{2}[x_e^2 + y_e^2 + (\psi_e - \psi_{los})^2]$$

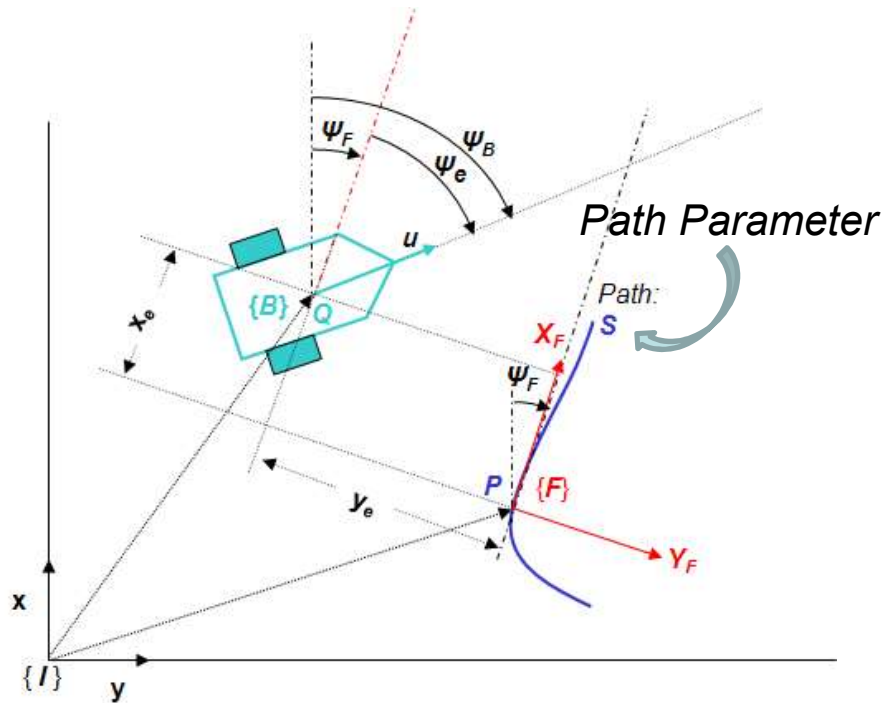


$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_u \\ \alpha_r \\ \dot{s} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_d \\ c_c \dot{s} + \dot{\delta} - k_\theta(\psi_e - \delta) \\ u_d \cos \psi_e + k_x x_e \end{bmatrix}$$

Control Design

Mathematical framework: unicycle

Path Following (PF)



Backstepping dynamics

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}$$

Virtual control inputs

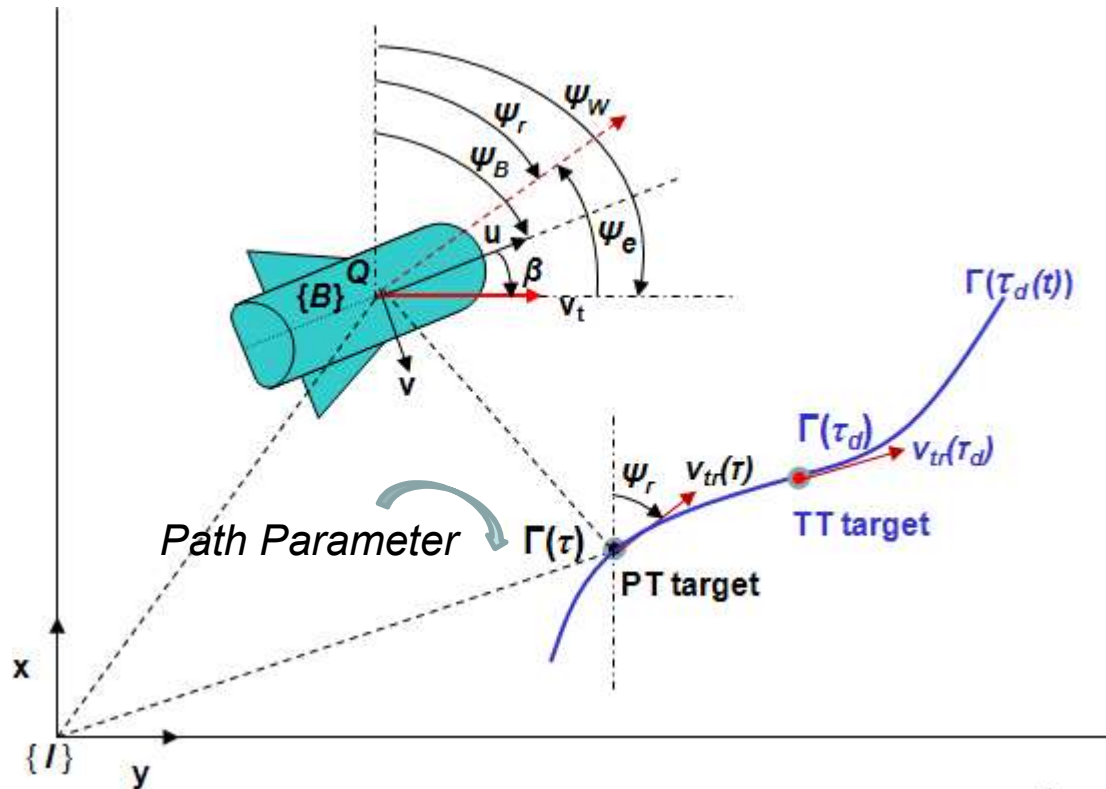
$$z = \begin{pmatrix} z_u \\ z_r \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u - \alpha_u \\ r - \alpha_r \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V_{dyn} = V_{kin} + \frac{1}{2} z^T M z \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} F = m\dot{u} = m\dot{\alpha}_u - k_3 z_u = m\dot{u}_d - k_3(u - u_d) \\ N = I\dot{r} = I\dot{\alpha}_r - (\psi_e - \delta) - k_4 z_r \end{cases}$$

Control Design

Mathematical framework: AUV

Path Tracking (PT)



Objectives

1) Geometric assignment

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{p}_{eB}\| = 0$$

2) Temporal assignment

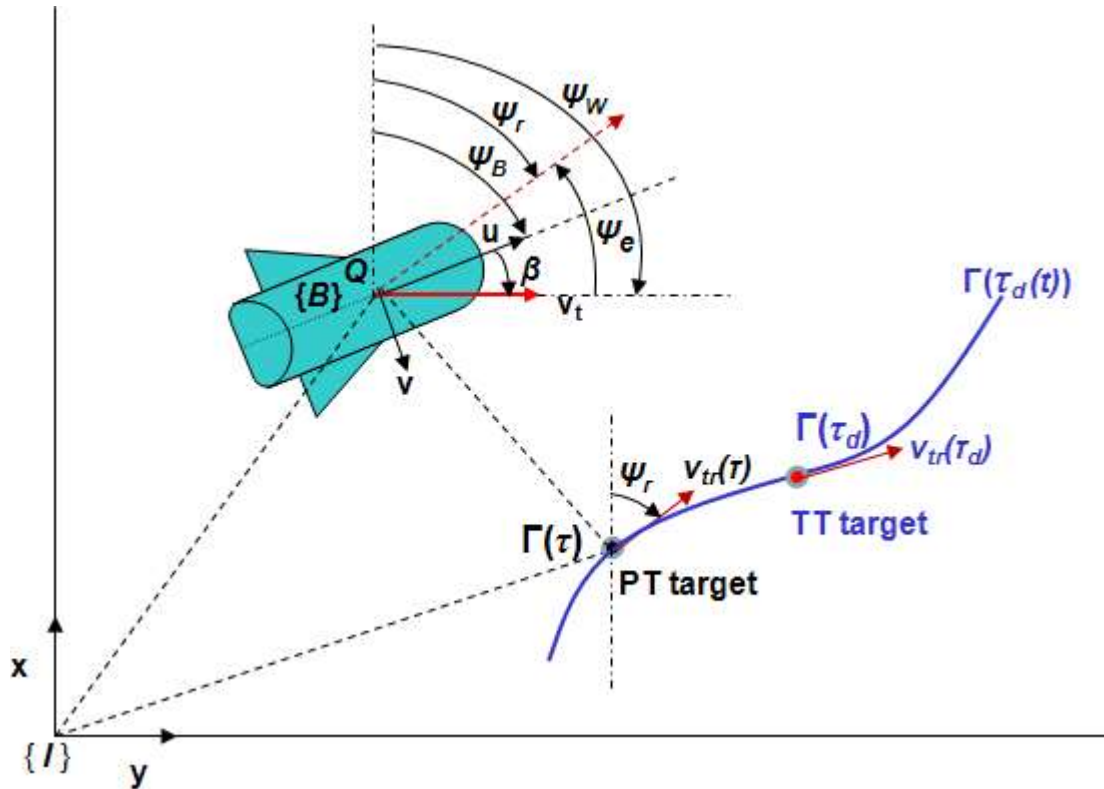
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |\tau(t) - \tau_d(t)| = 0$$

$$V = (1 - \lambda) \frac{(x_e^2 + y_e^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \psi_e^2)}{2} + \lambda \frac{k_\tau (\tau - \tau_d)^2}{2} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} v_t \\ \omega \\ \dot{\tau} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_x x_e + \bar{v}_{tr} \dot{\tau}_d \cos \psi_e \\ \bar{\omega}_r \dot{\tau}_d - \dot{\beta} + \gamma y_e \bar{v}_{tr} \dot{\tau}_d \frac{\sin \psi_e}{\psi_e} + k_\psi \psi_e \\ \dot{\tau}_d - k_v \tanh \Phi_e \end{bmatrix}$$

Control Design

Mathematical framework: AUV

➤ PT: Backstepping



Backstepping dynamics

$$\begin{cases} \tau_u = m_u \dot{u} - m_v v r + d_u u \\ 0 = m_v \dot{v} + m_u u r + d_v v \\ \tau_r = m_r \dot{r} - m_{uv} u v + d_r r \end{cases}$$

Virtual control inputs

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$$V_{dyn} = V + \frac{1}{2} z^T M z \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} \tau_u = m_u (\dot{v}_t - f_{vt}) / \cos \beta = [m_u \dot{\alpha}_{v_t} + ((1 - \lambda)x_e - k_{v_t} z_{v_t}) - m_u f_{vt}] / \cos \beta \\ \tau_r = m_r \dot{r} - m_{uv} u v + d_r r = m_r \dot{\alpha}_{\omega} + (\frac{1}{\gamma} \dot{\psi}_e - k_{\omega} z_{\omega}) - m_{uv} u v + d_r r \end{cases}$$

Control Design

Mathematical framework: AUV

- Smooth transition between underactuated to fully-actuated

$$\tau_v = \begin{cases} \tau_{v1} = 0, \\ \tau_{v2} = \frac{m_v u}{\cos^2 \beta} \left[\frac{\sin^2 \beta}{m_u v} \tau_u - f_\beta + \dot{\beta}_d - k_5 (\beta - \beta_d) \right] \end{cases}$$

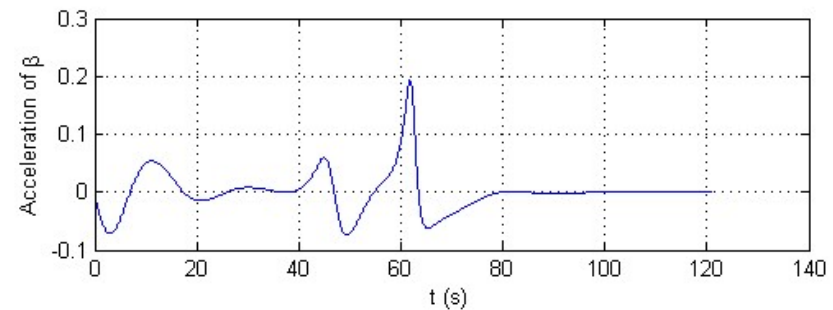
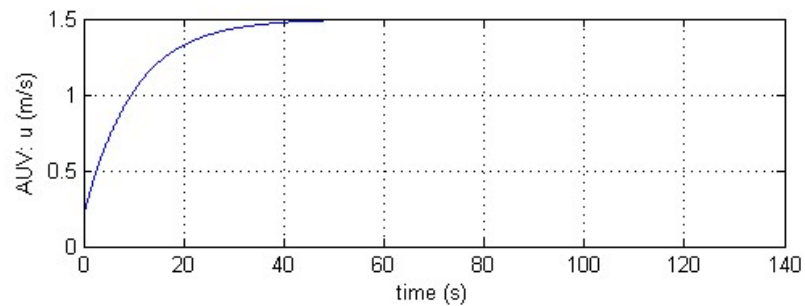
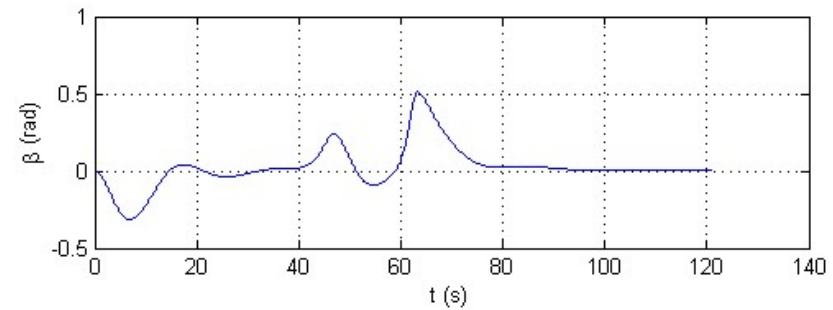
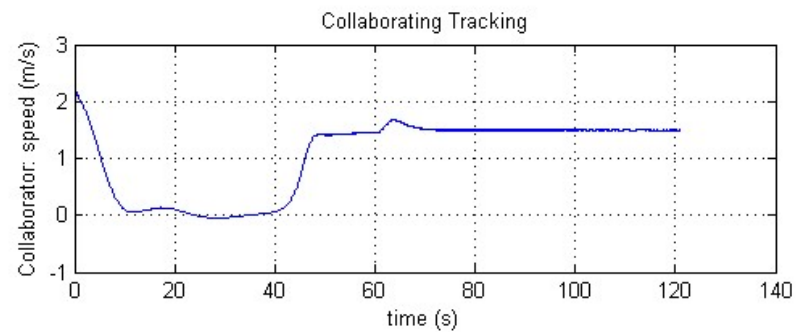
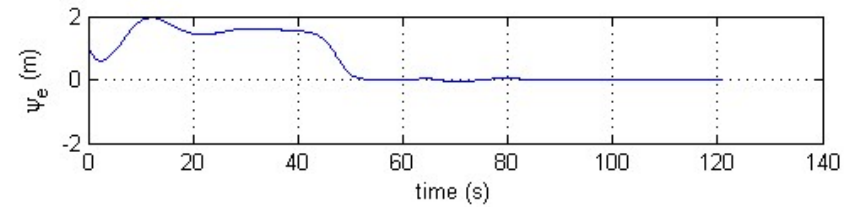
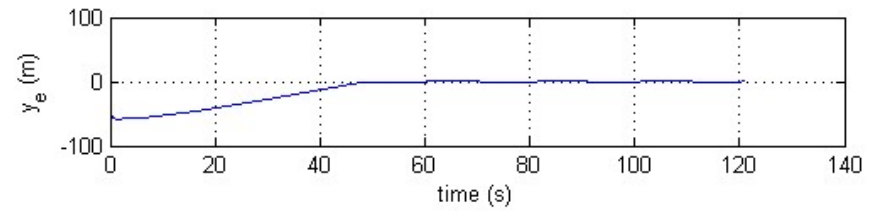
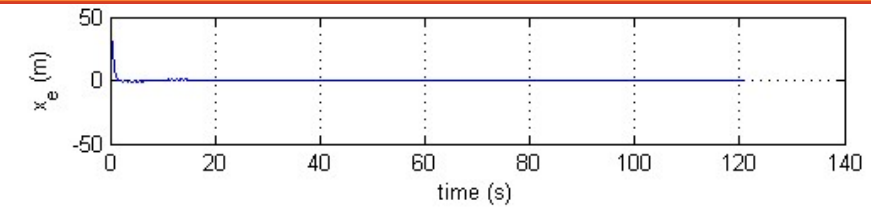
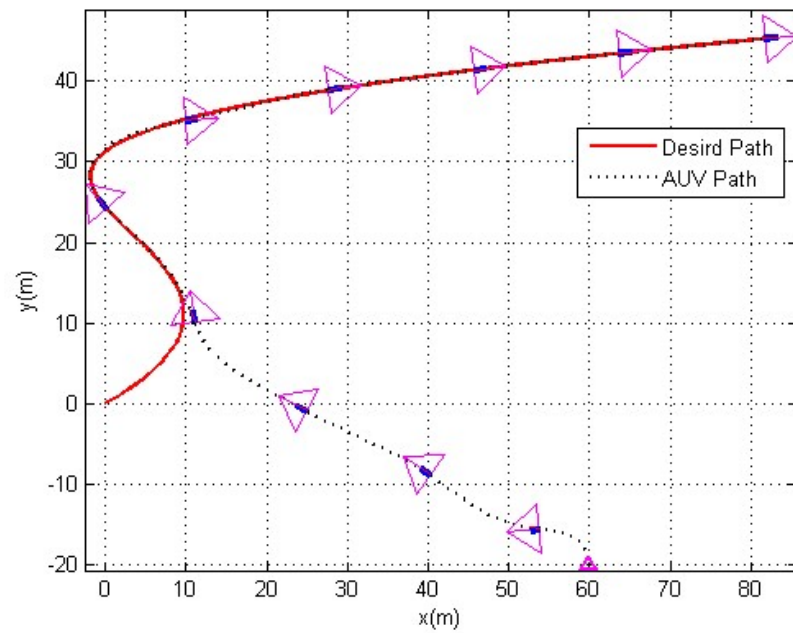
Underactuated case: high speed

Fully-actuated case: low speed

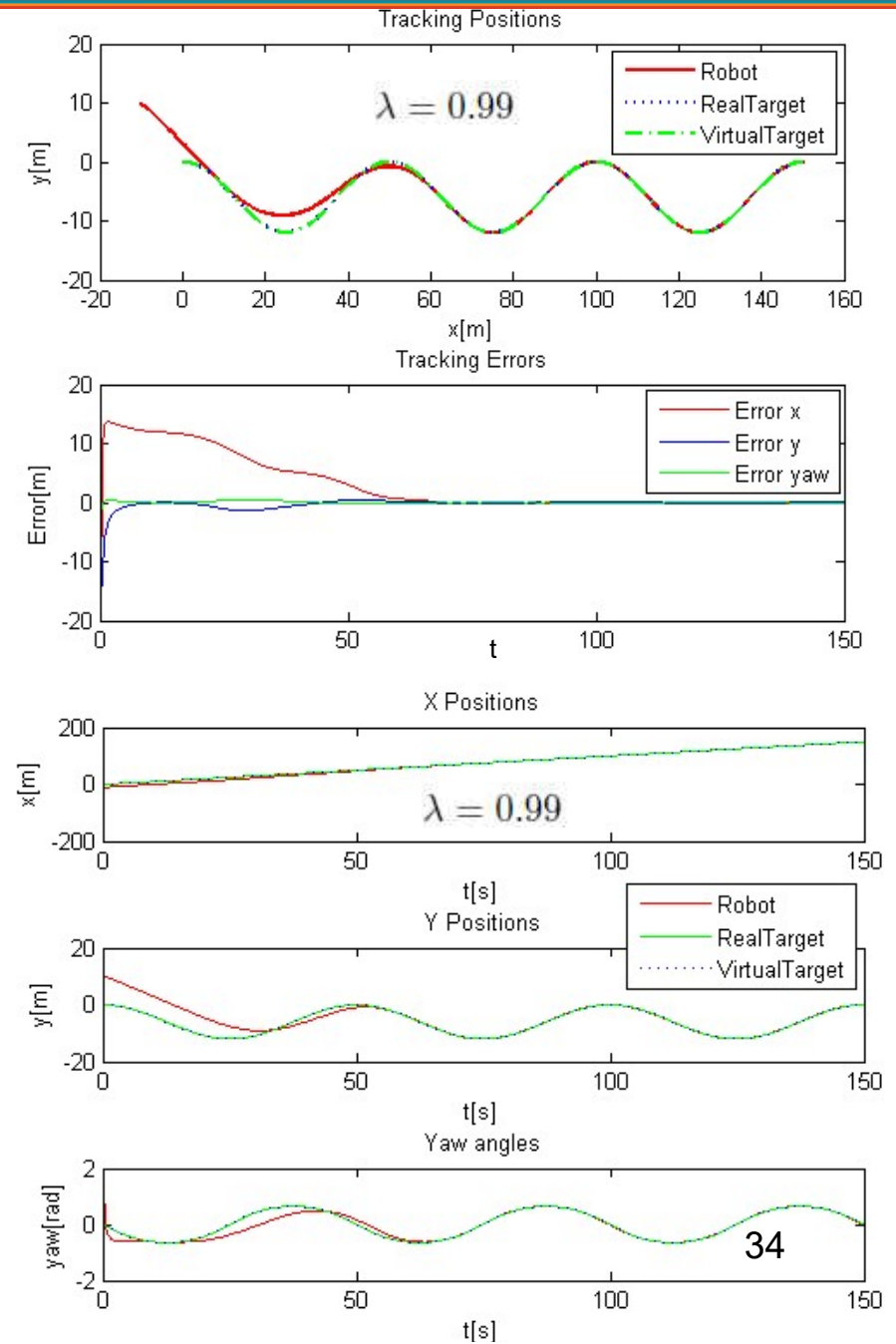
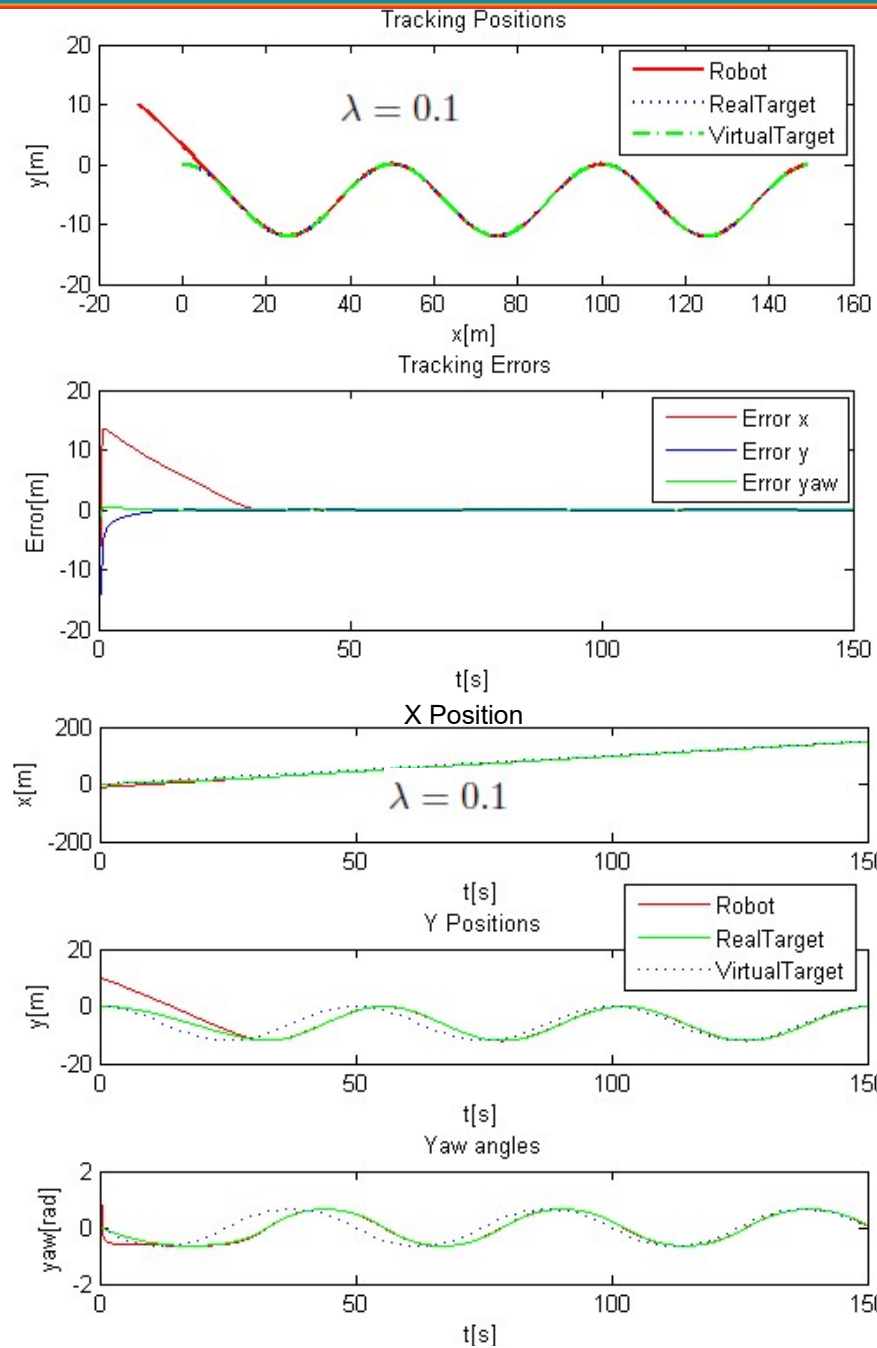
$$f(v_t) = \frac{\frac{\pi}{2} + \arcsin\left[k_{vt} \left(v_t - \frac{v_{t1} + v_{t2}}{2}\right) / \left(\frac{v_{t2} - v_{t1}}{2}\right)\right]}{\pi} \quad 0 \leq f(v_t) \leq 1$$

$$\tau_v = f(v_t) \tau_{v1} + (1 - f(v_t)) \tau_{v2}$$

Control examples: Path Following



Control examples: Path Tracking



Summary

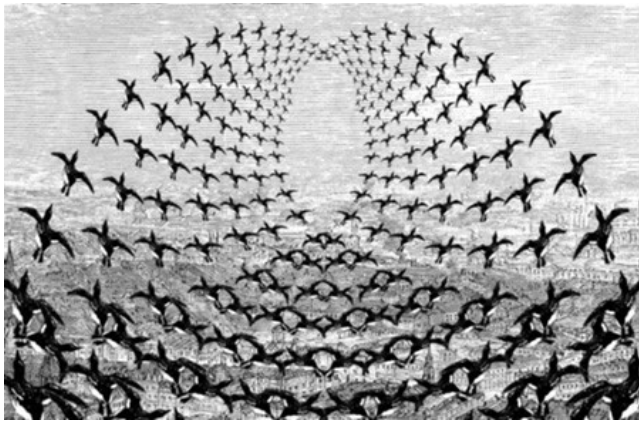
Motion control of single vehicle

1. Problem pose - analyze the main methods
2. Novel control design
3. From unicycle to AUV (simple to complex)
4. Smooth transition from under to fully actuated AUV

Coordination: multiple vehicles

Approach: the state-of-the-art

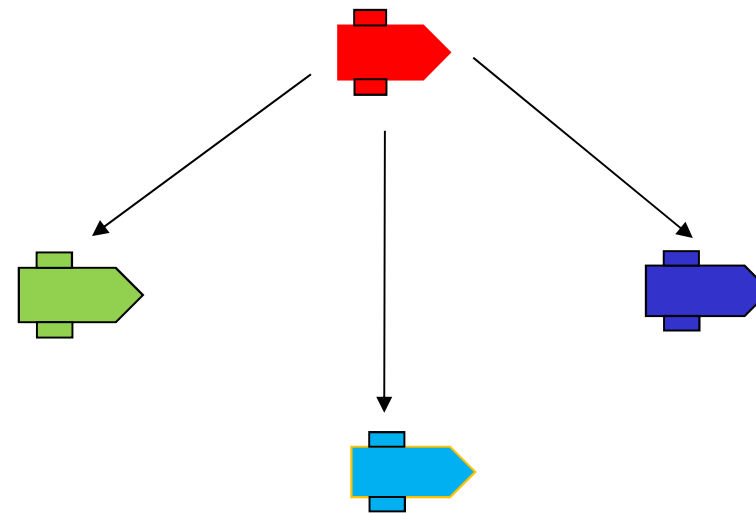
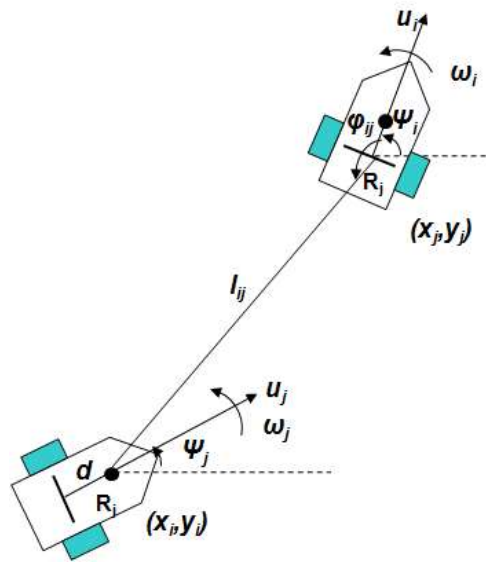
Behavioral-based [Balch&Arkin 1998]



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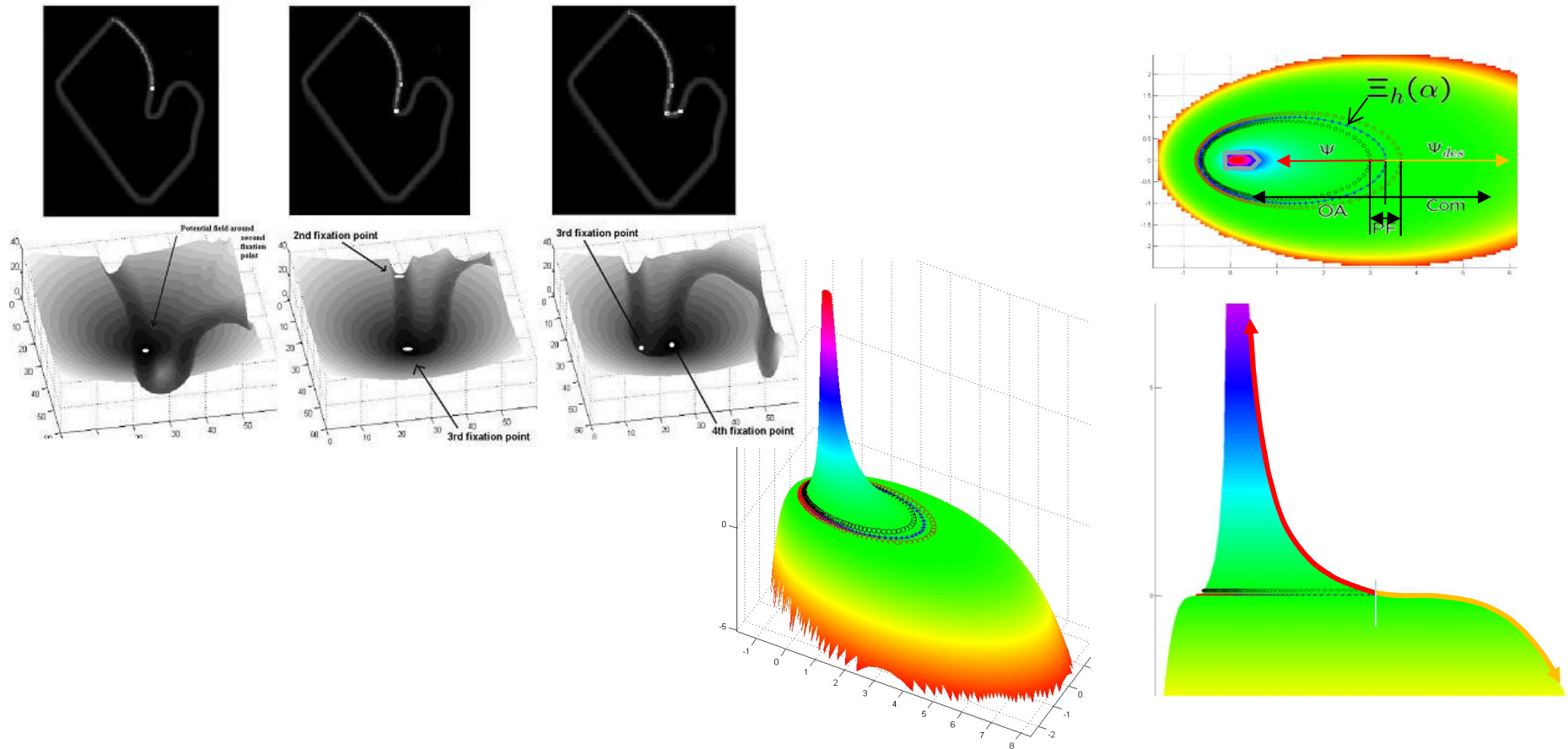
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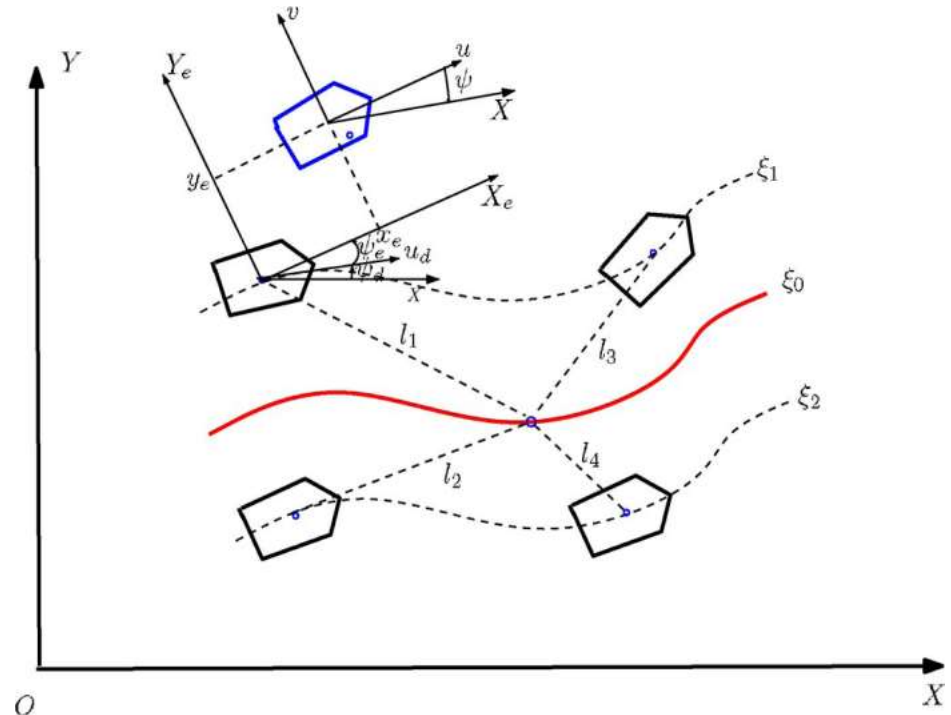
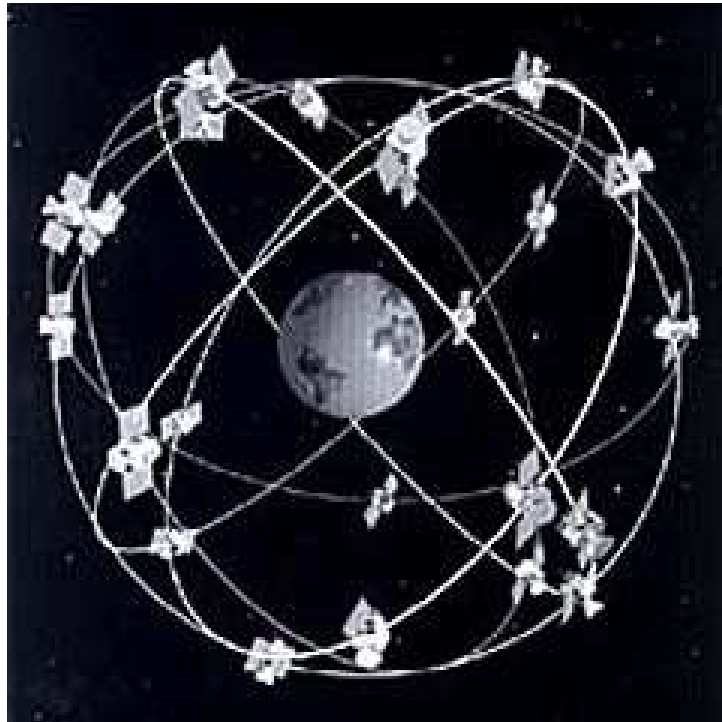
Artificial potential [Leonard&Fioerelli 2001]



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Approach: the state-of-the-art

Virtual structure [Kang&Yeh 2002]



Coordination: multiple vehicles

Approach: the state-of-the-art

Approaches	Advantage	Disadvantage	Control design
Behavioral-based [Balch&Arkin, 1998]	Intuitive	Behavior description	Algorithmic
Leader-follower [Desai 2001]	Unique reference	Single-point failure	Formal
Artificial potential [Leonard&Fioerelli 2001]	Collision-free	Local minimum	Formal*
Virtual structure [Kang&Yeh,2002]	Rigid	Not flexible	Formal

Coordination: multiple vehicles

Approach: new proposition

1. Leader-follower



Centralized control

Decentralized control

2. Virtual Structure: Formation Reference Point (FRP)

Virtual target embedded

Touch the objective:

Coordinated Paths Following (CPF)

Coordinated Paths Tracking (CPT)

What's the detailed strategy ?

How to implement the approach?

Coordination: multiple vehicles

Strategy:

*'Shared information is a necessary
condition for coordination'*

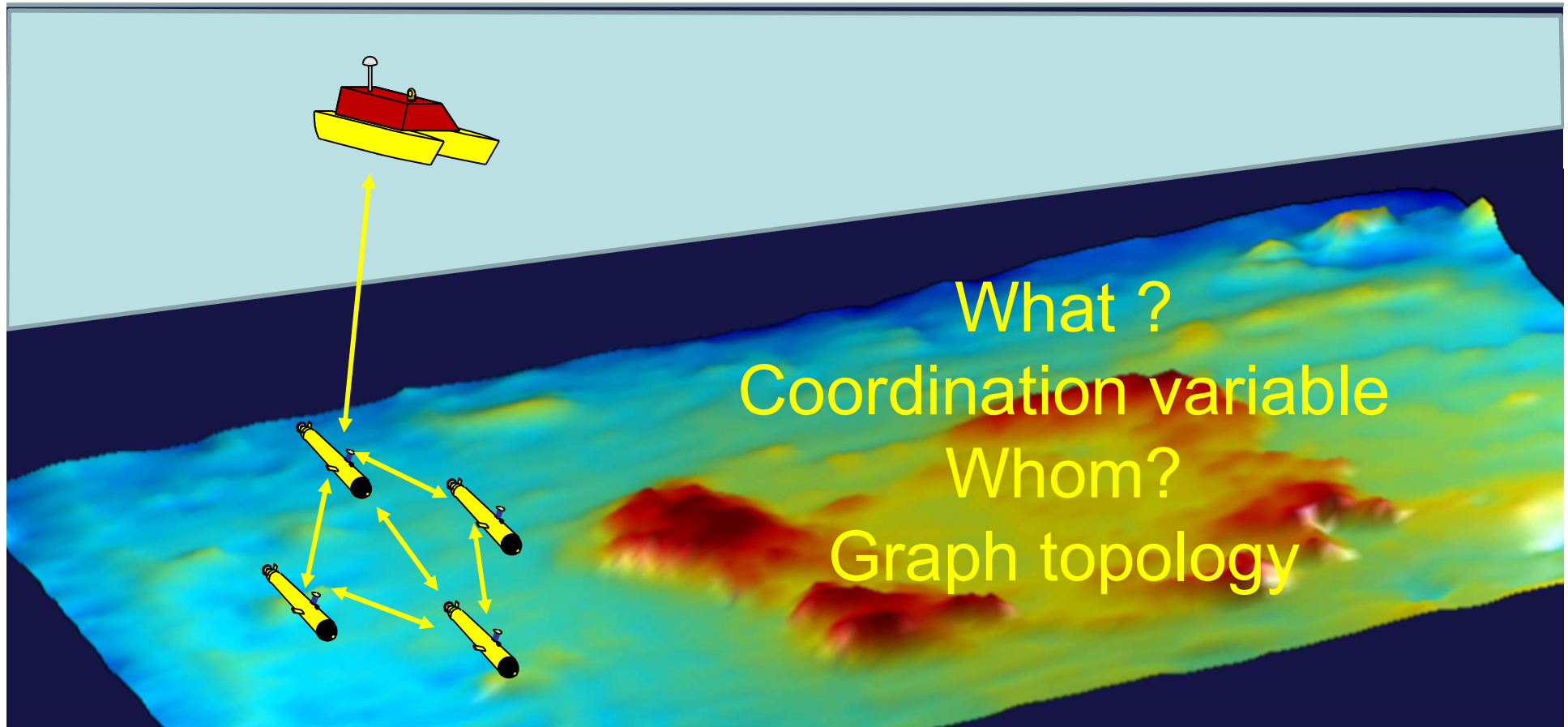
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Coordination: multiple vehicles

Strategy:

Q1) What kind of information should be shared?

Q2) Which one should share information with?



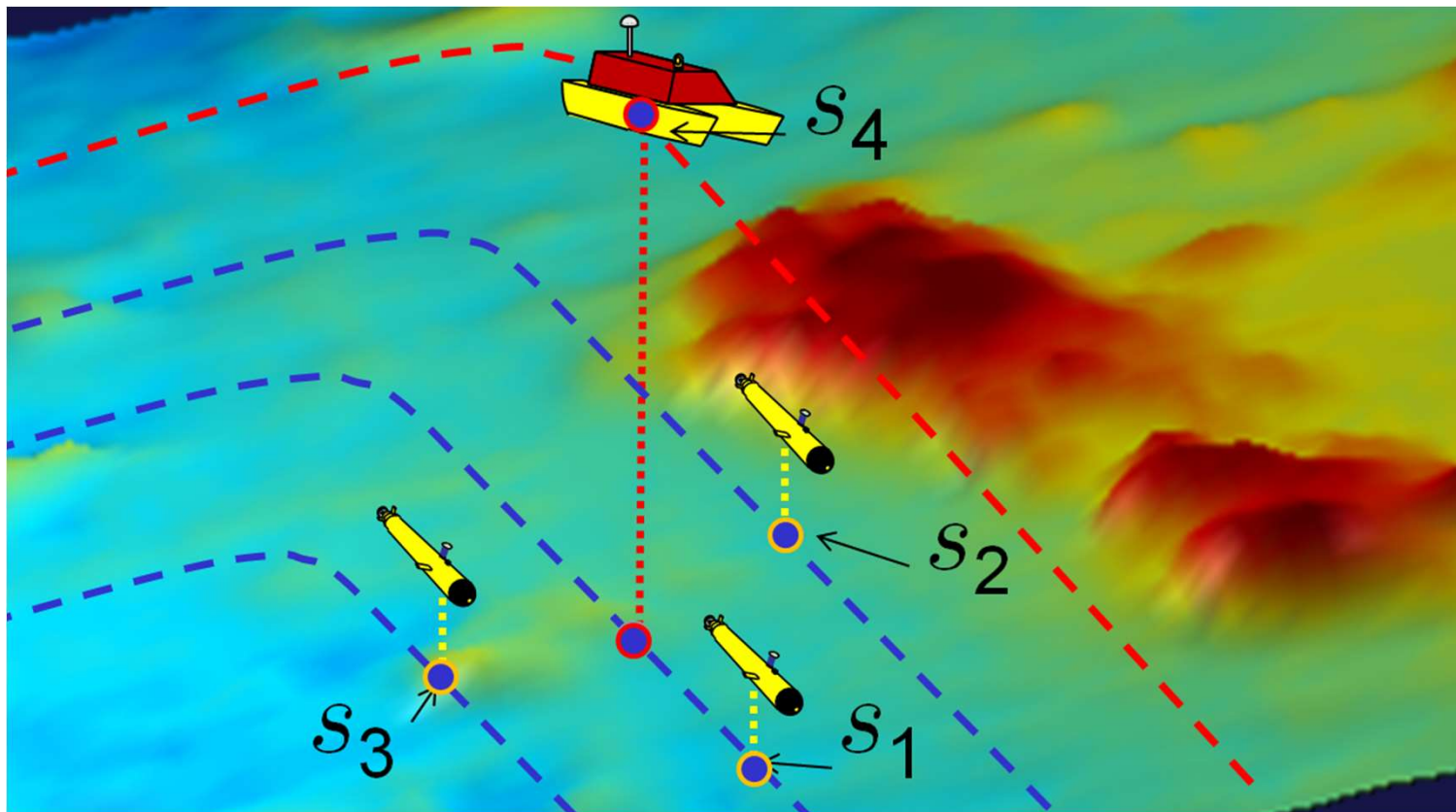
Coordination: multiple vehicles

Strategy: Coordinated Paths Following (CPF)

Q1) What kind of information should be shared?

Coordination variable : the virtual target

(along path distance)



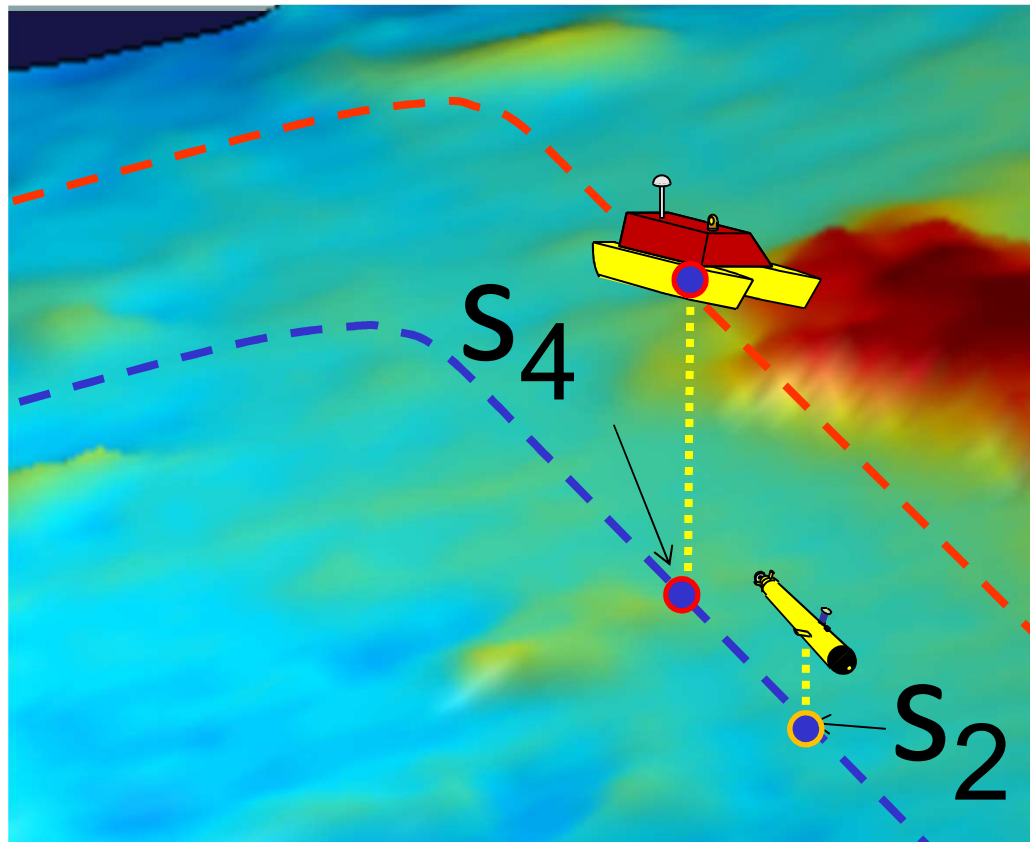
5. Coordination: multiple vehicles

Strategy: Coordinated Paths Following (CPF)

Q1) What kind of information should be shared?

Coordination variable : the virtual target

(along path distance)



Shifted paths:

$$\Delta s = s_2 - s_4$$

Adapt u_2 and u_4 :

$$\Delta s \rightarrow \Delta s^d$$

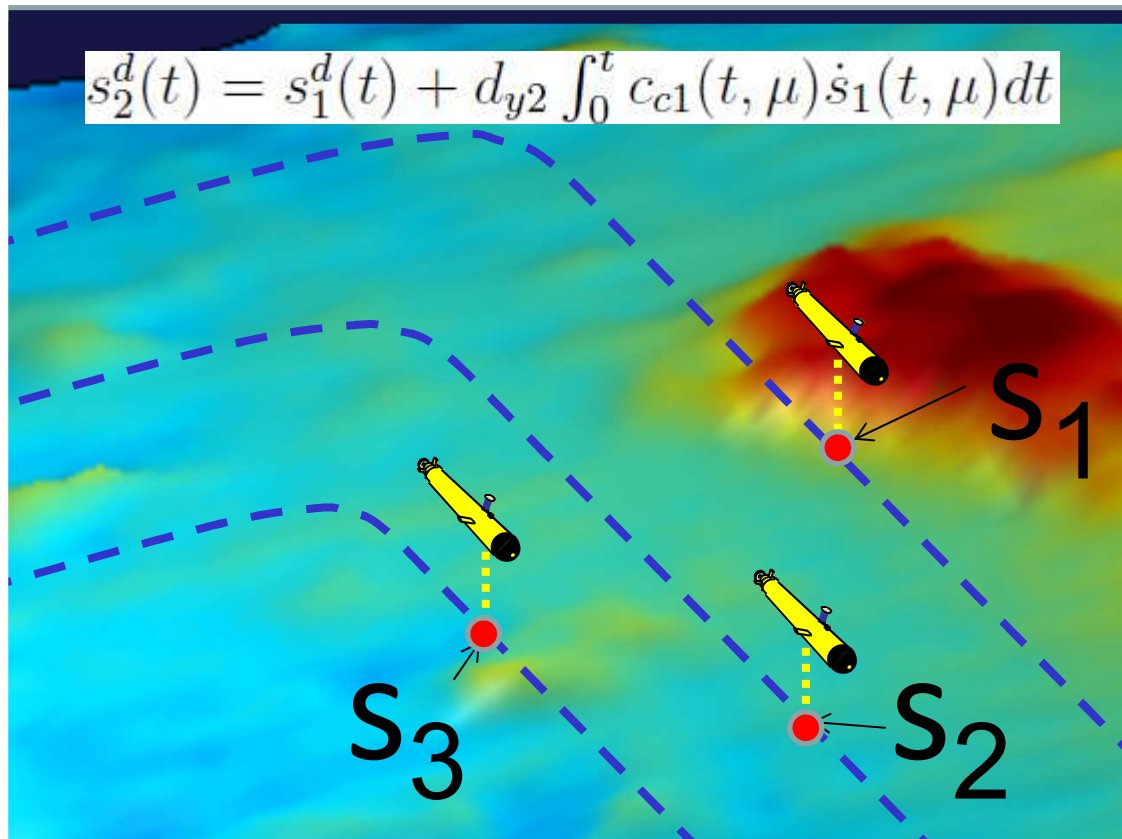
Coordination: multiple vehicles

Strategy: Coordinated Paths Following (CPF)

Q1) What kind of information should be shared?

Coordination variable : the virtual target

(normalized along path distance)



Parallel paths

(but feasible)

$$\Delta s_i = s_i - s_i^d$$

Adapt U_i ,
such that:

$$\Delta s_i \rightarrow \Delta s_i^d$$

Coordination: multiple vehicles

Strategy: Coordinated Paths Following (CPF)

Q1) What kind of information should be shared?

Coordination variable : the virtual target

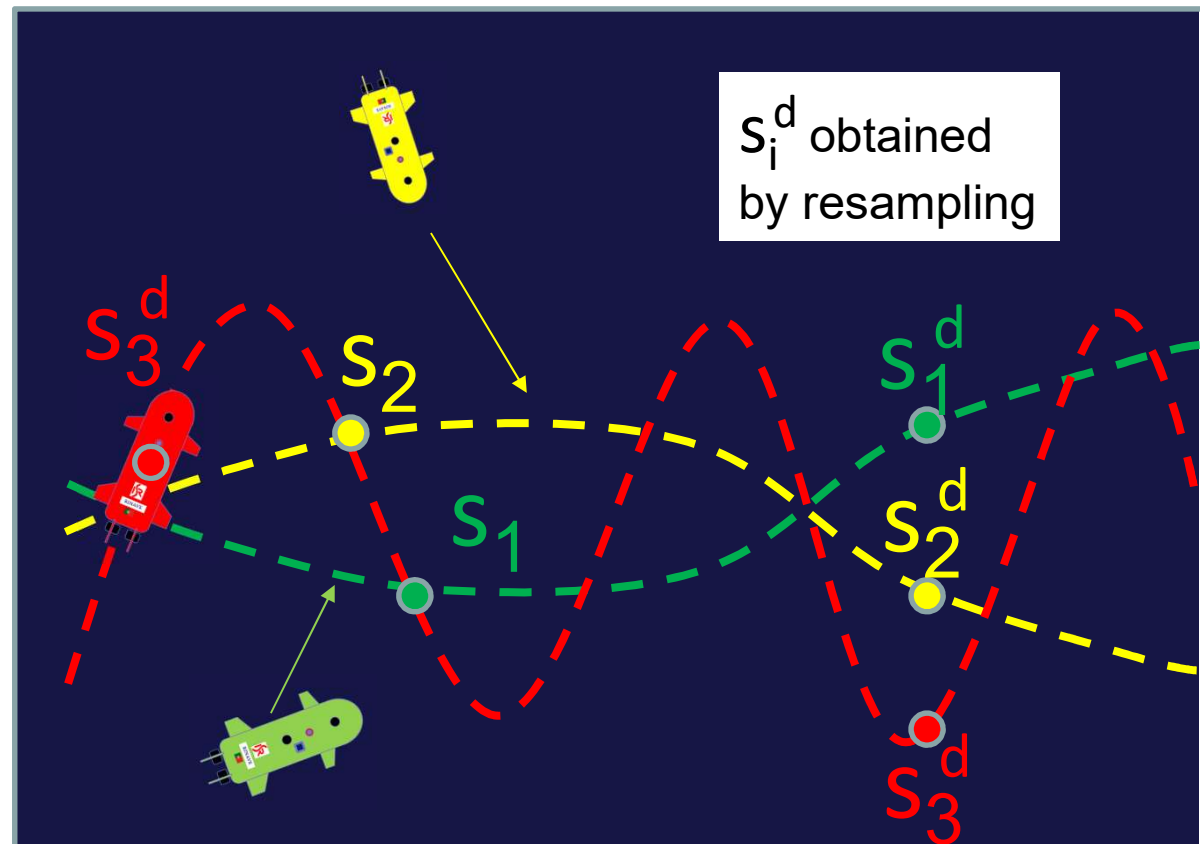
(normalized along path distance)

Arbitrary paths
(but feasible)

$$\Delta s_i = s_i - s_i^d$$

Adapt u_i ,
such that:

$$\Delta s_i \rightarrow \Delta s_i^d$$



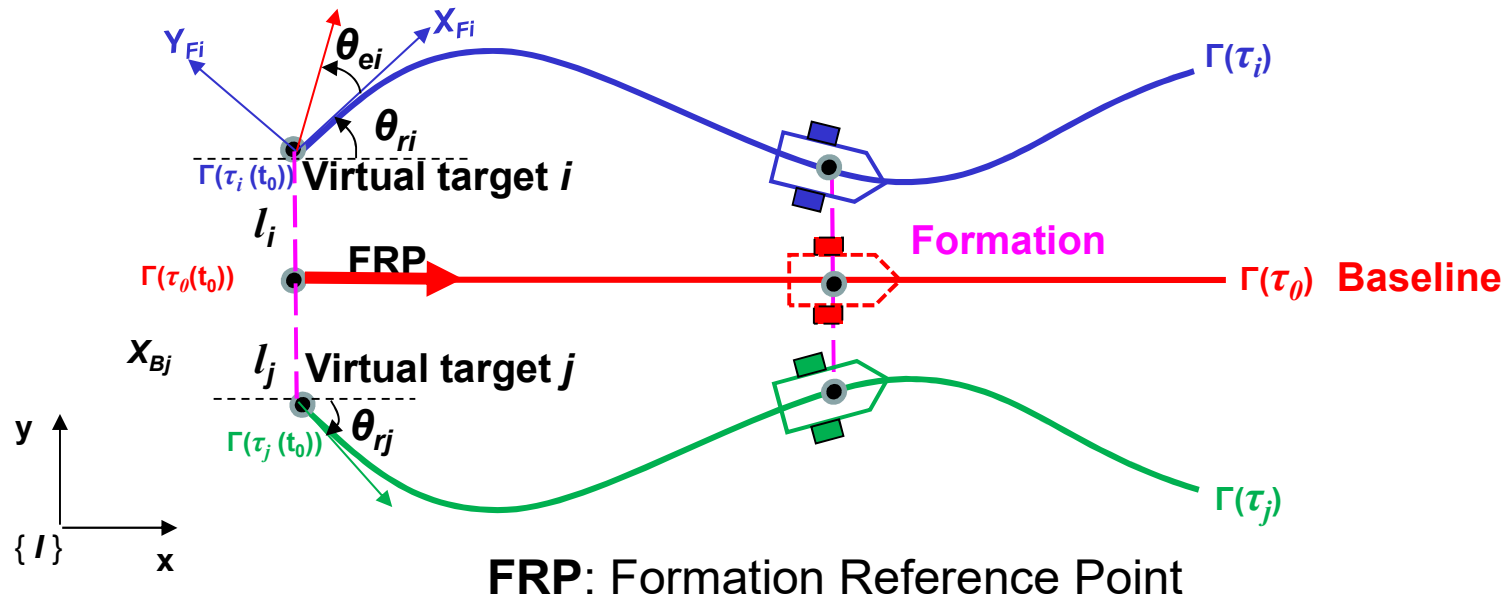
Coordination: multiple vehicles

Strategy: Coordinated Path Tracking (CPT)

Q1) What kind of information should be shared?

Coordination variable : the virtual target

(along path position)



$$\Gamma_i(\tau_i)|_{\{I\}} = \Gamma_{r0}(\tau_i)|_{\{I\}} + R(\psi_{r0}(\tau_i))|_{\{F\}} l_i(x_{r0}(\tau_i), y_{r0}(\tau_i))|_{\{F\}}$$

Baseline
Rotation matrix
Shifted vector

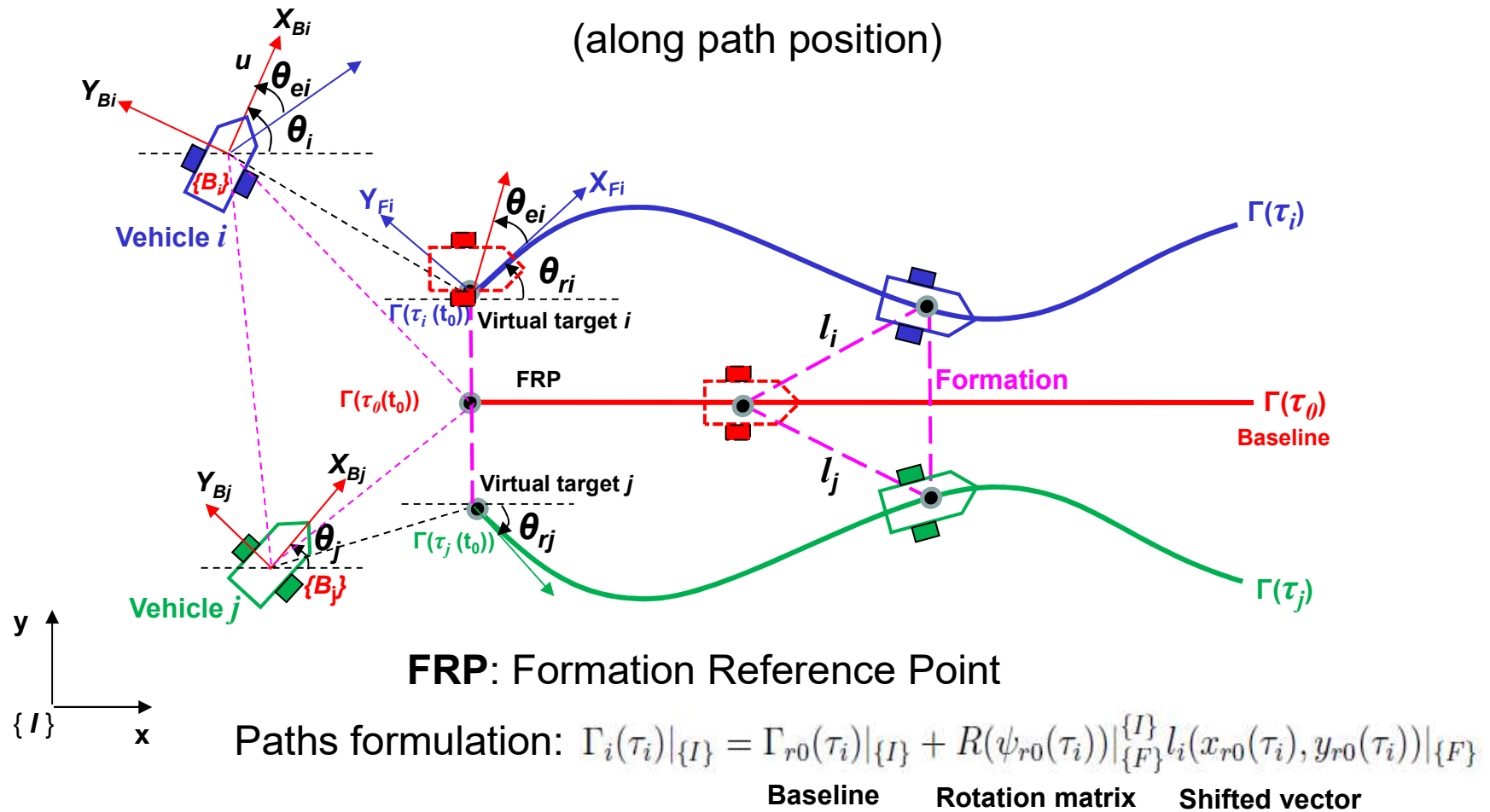
Coordination: multiple vehicles

Strategy: Coordinated Path Tracking (CPT)

Q1) What kind of information should be shared?

Coordination variable : the virtual target

(along path position)

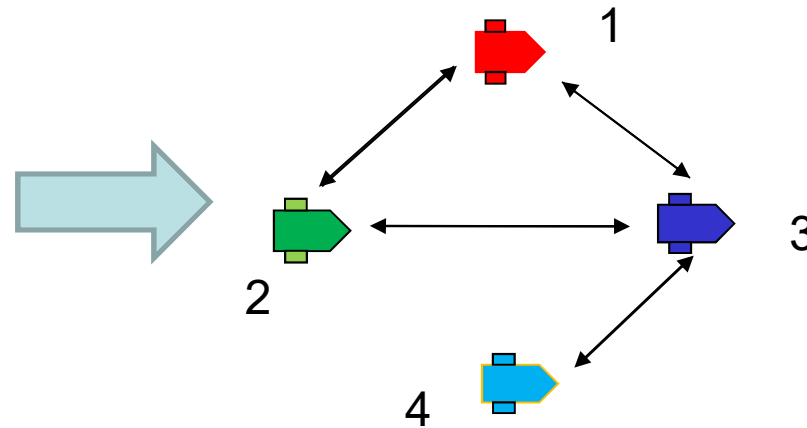
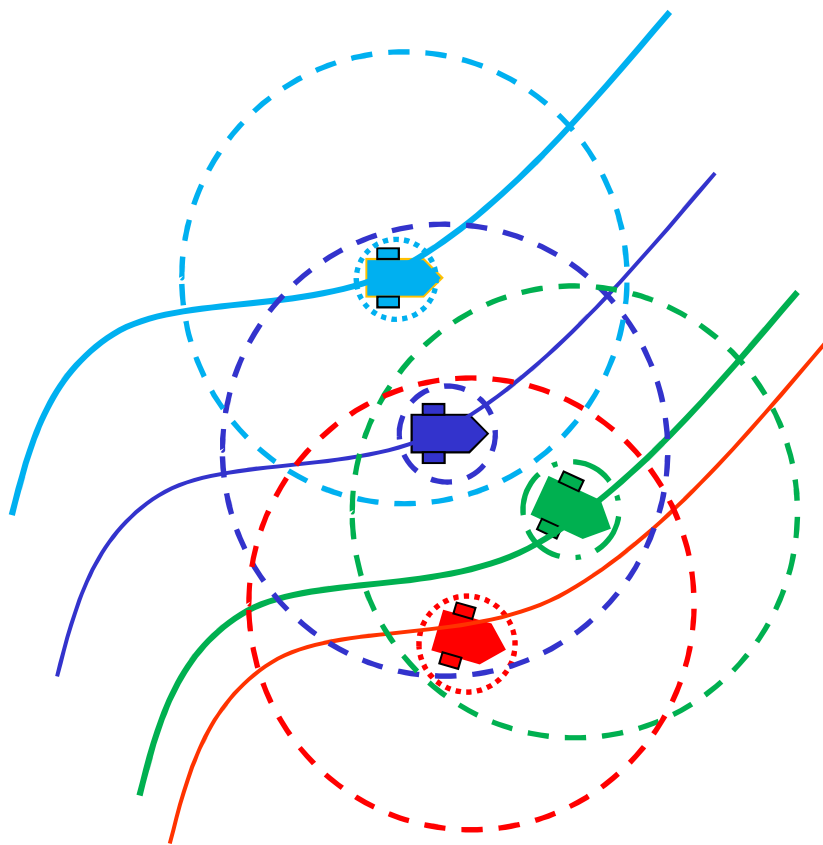


Coordination: multiple vehicle

Strategy:

Q2) Which one should share information with?

Communication Topology: graph representation



Laplacian matrix L :

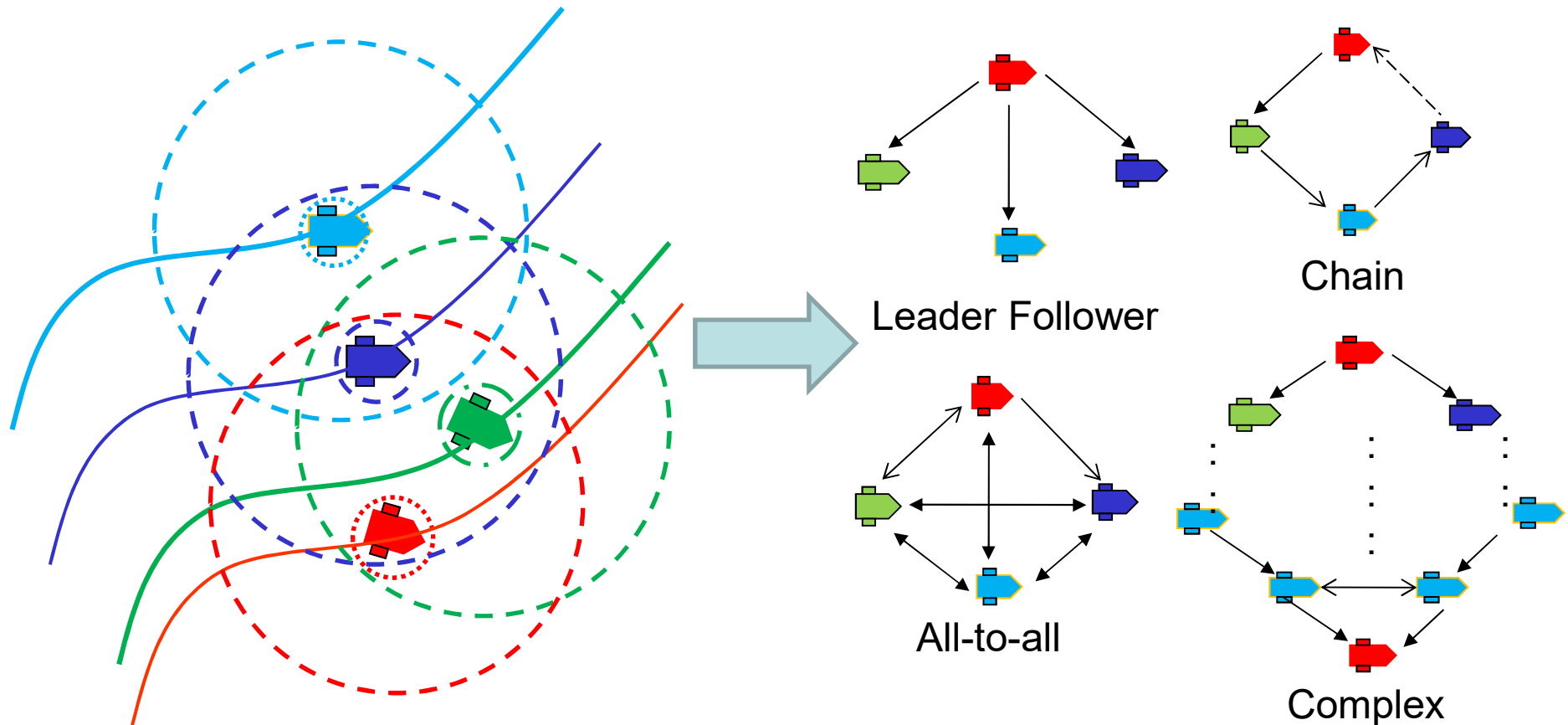
$$L = D - A = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Coordination: multiple vehicles

Strategy:

Q2) Which one should share information with?

Communication Topology: graph representation



Coordination: multiple vehicles

Summary the strategy for Q1&Q2:

Q1: What kind of information should be shared?

A1: Normalized along path distance (CPF)

Along path position (CPT)

Q2: Which one should share information with?

A2: all-to-all, broadcasting, neighborhood communication...

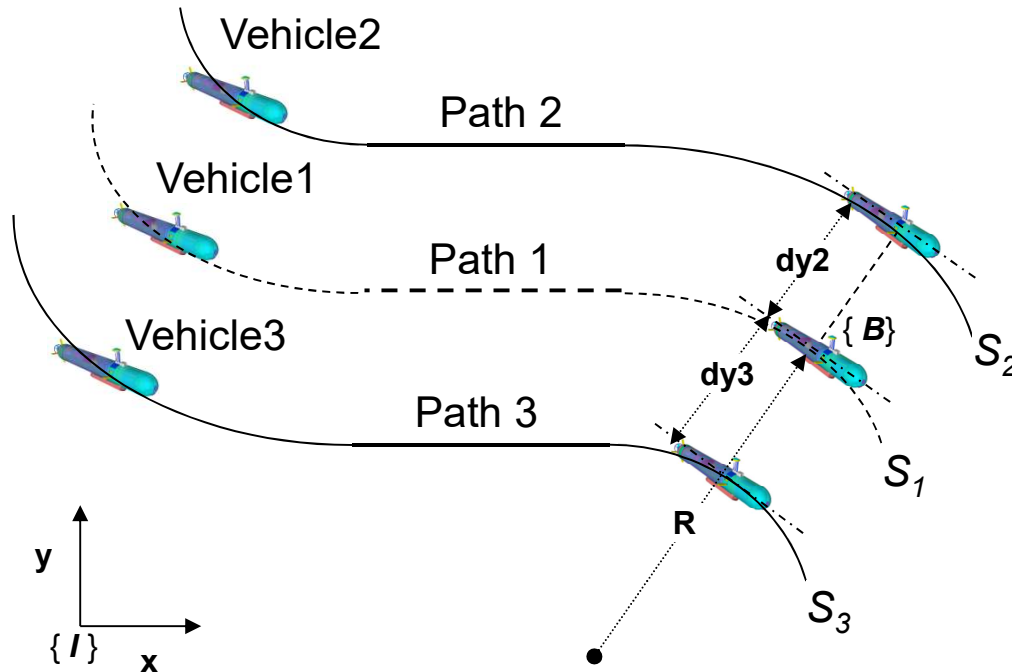
Ready for starting the control design!!!

Coordination: multiple vehicle

Control design: Coordinated paths following

Methods: formation led by virtual targets

Leader-follower



Objective: $s_i = s_i^d$

$$s_i^d = s_j^d$$

$$V_s = \frac{1}{2} \Delta S_{LFi}^2$$

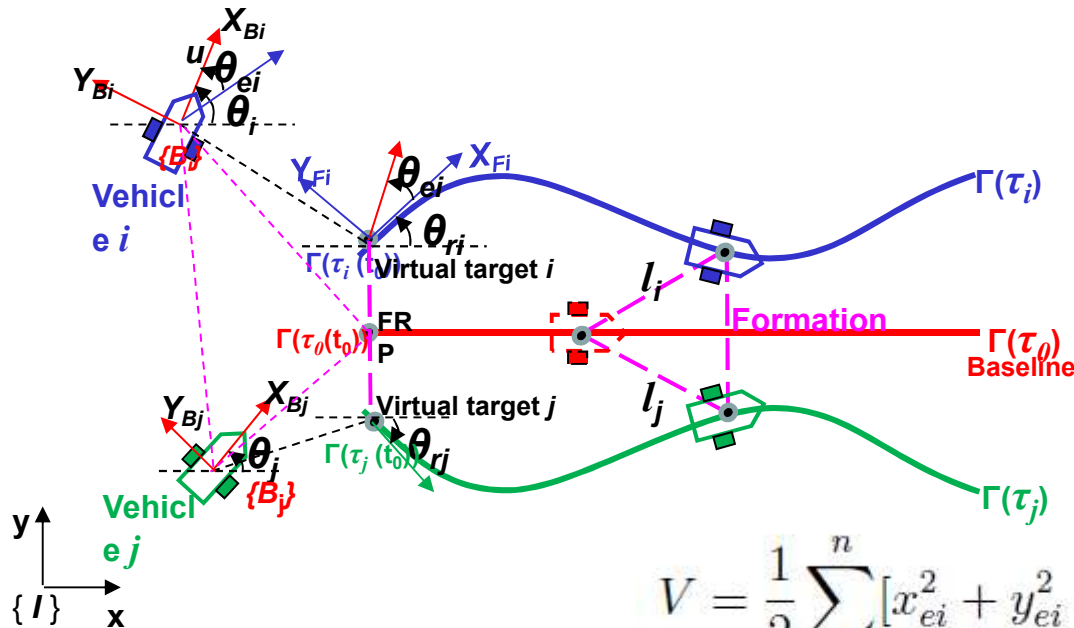
Speed adaptation:

$$u_{F1}^d = u_L^d + \frac{2}{\pi} k_u \arctan(\Delta S_{LF1})$$

Coordination: multiple vehicle

Control design: Coordinated paths tracking

1) Centralized control via FRP



Objective:

1) Geometric assignment

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|P_{eiB}\| = 0$$

2) Temporal assignment

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |\tau_i(t) - \tau_0(t)| = 0$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n [x_{ei}^2 + y_{ei}^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma} (\theta_{ei} - \delta_i)^2] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n k_\tau (\tau_i - \tau_0)^2$$

Control input:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ \omega_i \\ \dot{\tau}_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 x_{ei} + \bar{u}_{ri} \dot{\tau}_0 \cos \theta_{ei} \\ \bar{\omega}_{ri} \dot{\tau}_0 - \dot{\delta}_i + \gamma y_{ei} \bar{u}_{ri} \dot{\tau}_0 \frac{\sin \theta_{ei} - \sin \delta_i}{\theta_{ei} - \delta_i} + k_\theta (\theta_{ei} - \delta_i) \\ \dot{\tau}_0 - k_v \tanh(\Phi_{Ei}) \end{bmatrix}$$

Formation
Feedback on FRP

$$\dot{\tau}_0 = \omega_0(t) (1 - k_f \tanh(\sum_{i=1}^n P_{eiB}^T W P_{eiB}))$$

Coordination: multiple vehicle

Control design: Coordinated paths tracking

2) Centralized control via individual vehicle(not the FPR)

Objective:

1) Geometric assignment 2) Temporal assignment

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|P_{eiB}\| = 0 \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |\tau_i(t) - \tau_0(t)| = 0$$

CLF:
$$V = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n [x_{ei}^2 + y_{ei}^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma}(\theta_{ei} - \delta_i)^2] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n k_\tau(\tau_i - \tau_0)^2$$

Control input:
$$\begin{bmatrix} u_i \\ \omega_i \\ \dot{\tau}_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 x_{ei} + \bar{u}_{ri} \dot{\tau}_0 \cos \theta_{ei} \\ \bar{\omega}_{ri} \dot{\tau}_0 - \dot{\delta}_i + \gamma y_{ei} \bar{u}_{ri} \dot{\tau}_0 \frac{\sin \theta_{ei} - \sin \delta_i}{\theta_{ei} - \delta_i} + k_\theta(\theta_{ei} - \delta_i) \\ \dot{\tau}_0 - k_v \sum_{i=1}^n \Phi_{Ei} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Formation feedback}$$

$$\dot{V} = \sum_{i=1}^n [-k_e x_{ei}^2 + y_{ei} \bar{u}_{ri} \dot{\tau}_0 \sin \delta_i - \frac{k_\theta}{\gamma}(\theta_{ei} - \delta_i)^2] - k_v \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \Phi_{Ei} \right)^2$$

$$\dot{V} = \sum_{i=1}^n [-k_e x_{ei}^2 - k_v \Phi_{Ei} \tanh(\Phi_{Ei}) + y_{ei} \bar{u}_{ri} \dot{\tau}_0 \sin \delta_i - \frac{k_\theta}{\gamma}(\theta_{ei} - \delta_i)^2]$$

Coordination: multiple vehicle

Control design: Coordinated paths tracking

3) decentralized controller

Objective:

1) Geometric assignment

2) Temporal assignment

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|P_{eiB}\| = 0$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |\tau_i(t) - \tau_j(t)| = 0$$

Challenge: how to embed the graph theory in the control frame

$$V = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n [x_{ei}^2 + y_{ei}^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma} (\theta_{ei} - \delta_i)^2]$$

$$\dot{\tau}_i = \dot{\tilde{\tau}}_i + v_{\tau_i}$$

$$V_{aug} = V + \frac{1}{2} \Omega_\tau^T K_1^{-1} K_2^{-1} \Omega_\tau + \frac{1}{2} T^T L T$$

$$\Omega_\tau = [\dot{\tilde{\tau}}_1, \dots, \dot{\tilde{\tau}}_n]^T$$
$$T = [\tau_1, \dots, \tau_n]^T$$

Decentralized controller:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\tau}_i = \dot{\tilde{\tau}}_i + v_{\tau_i} \\ \ddot{\tilde{\tau}}_i = -k_{1i} [\dot{\tilde{\tau}}_i + k_{2i} (\sum_{j \in J_i} (\tau_i - \tau_j) + \phi_i)] \end{cases}$$

Coordination: multiple vehicle

Examples:

➤ CPF:

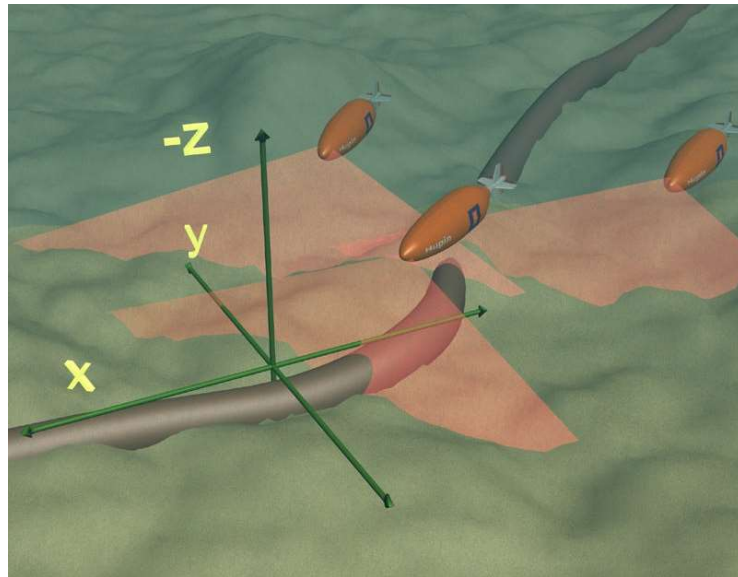
Centralized V.S. Decentralized control

➤ CPT:

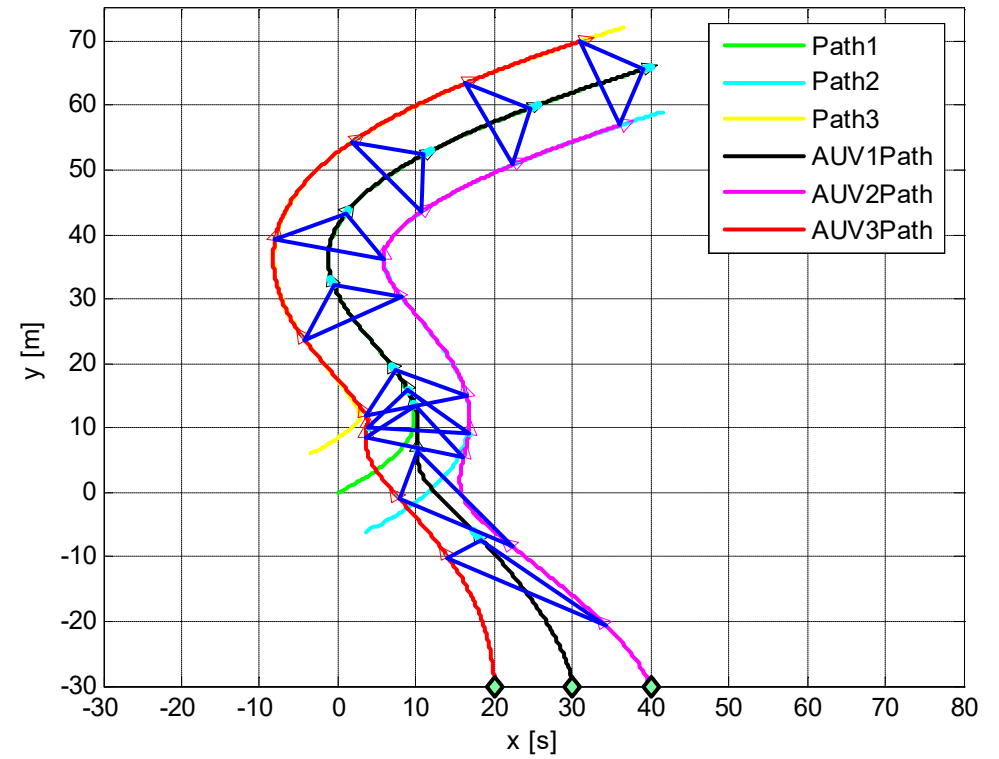
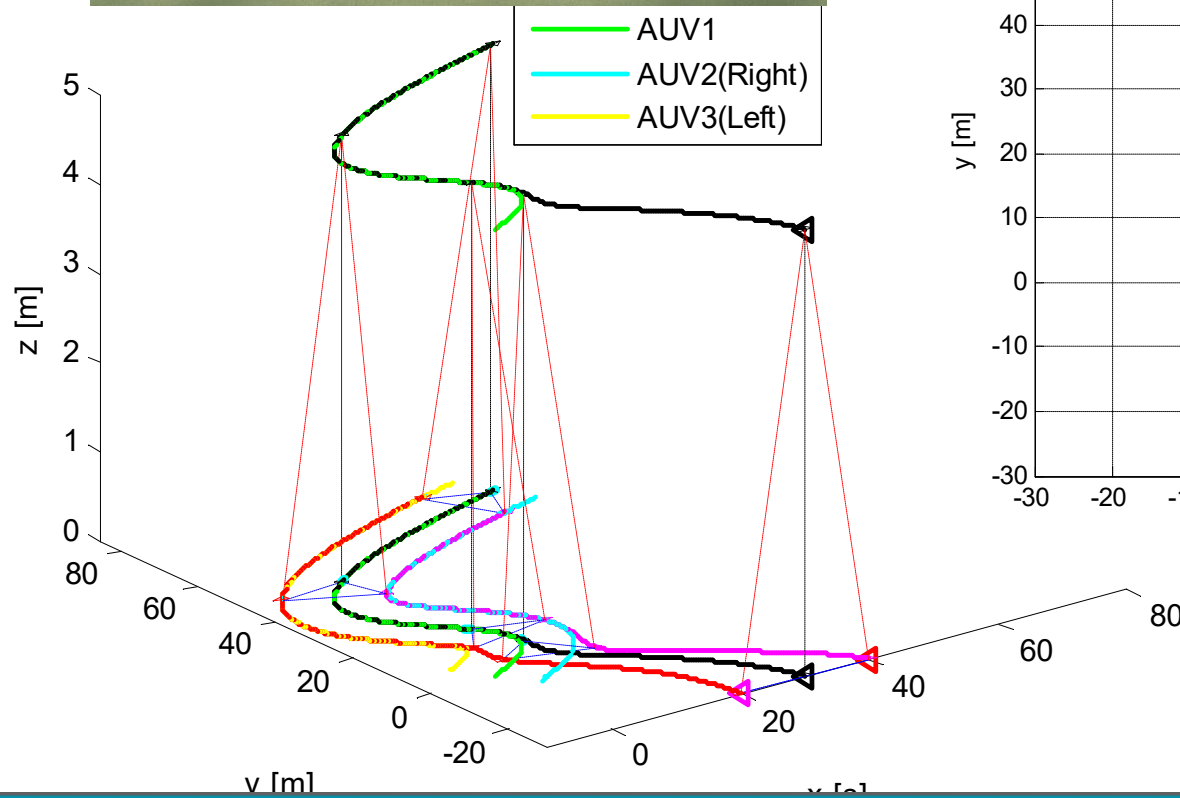
Decentralized

Triangle formation

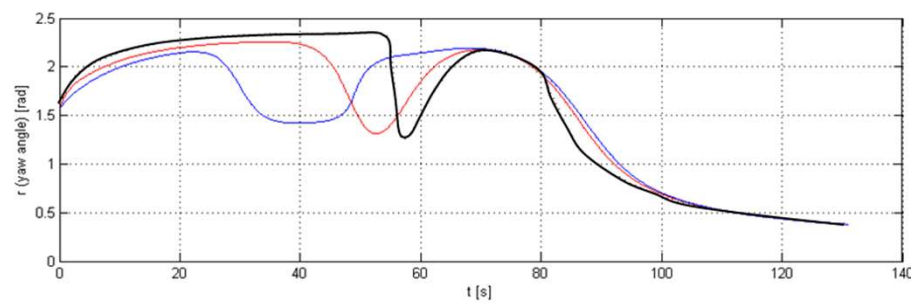
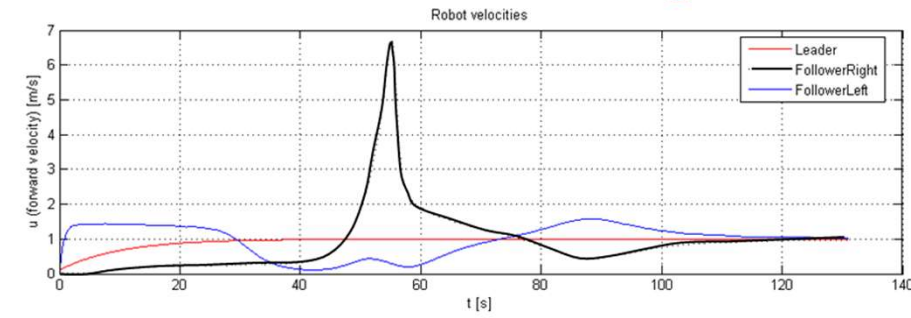
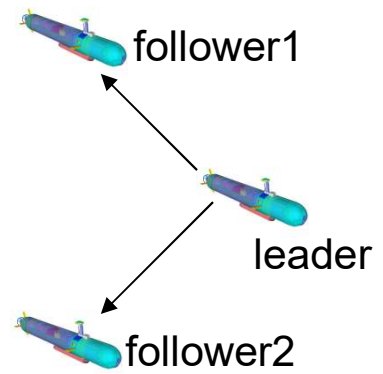
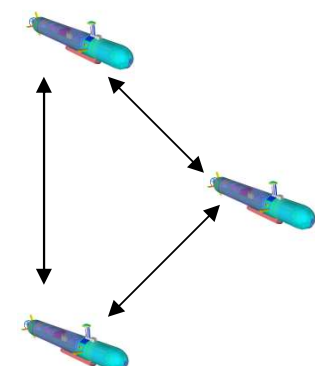
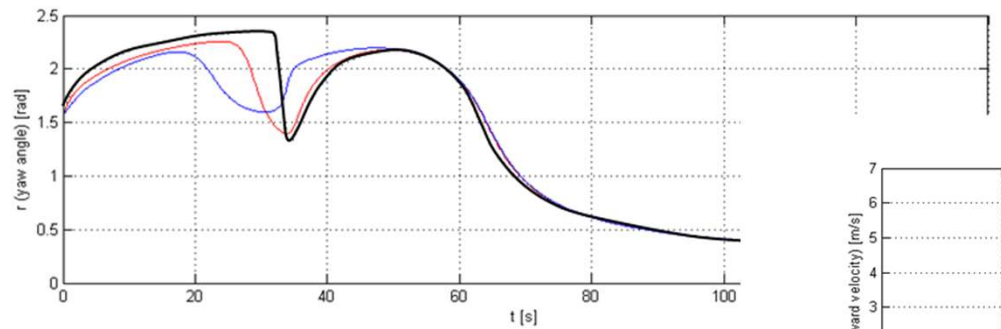
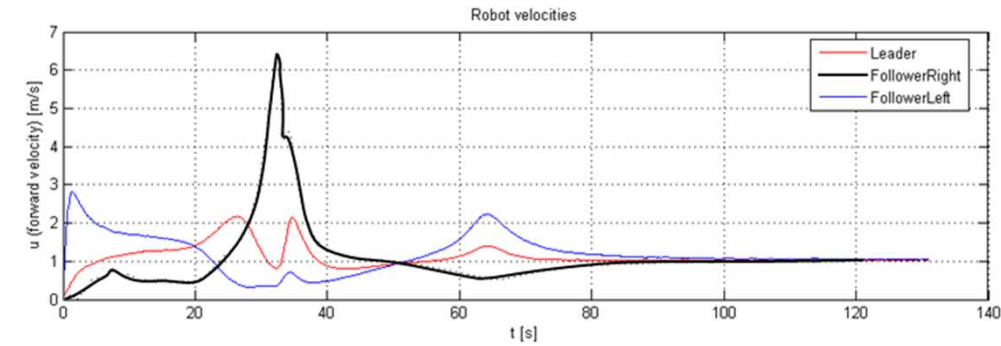
Shrunk circle formation



Coordinated Paths Following



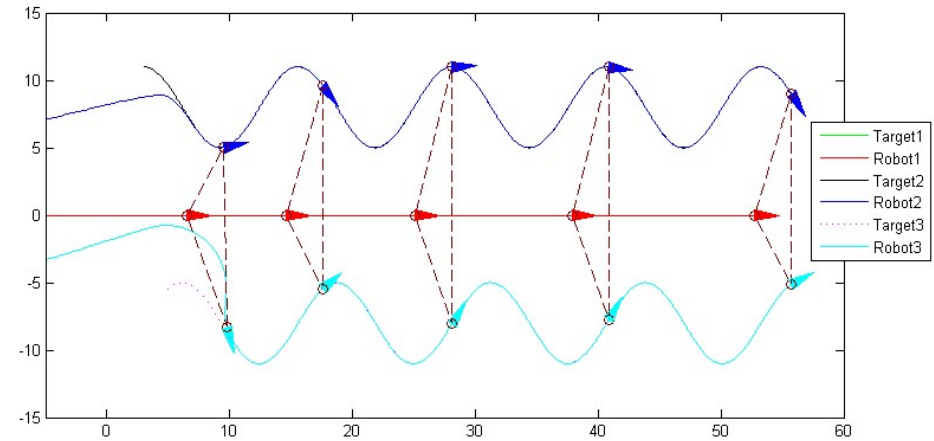
Coordinated Paths Following : in line formation



Coordination: multiple vehicle

Coordinate paths tracking

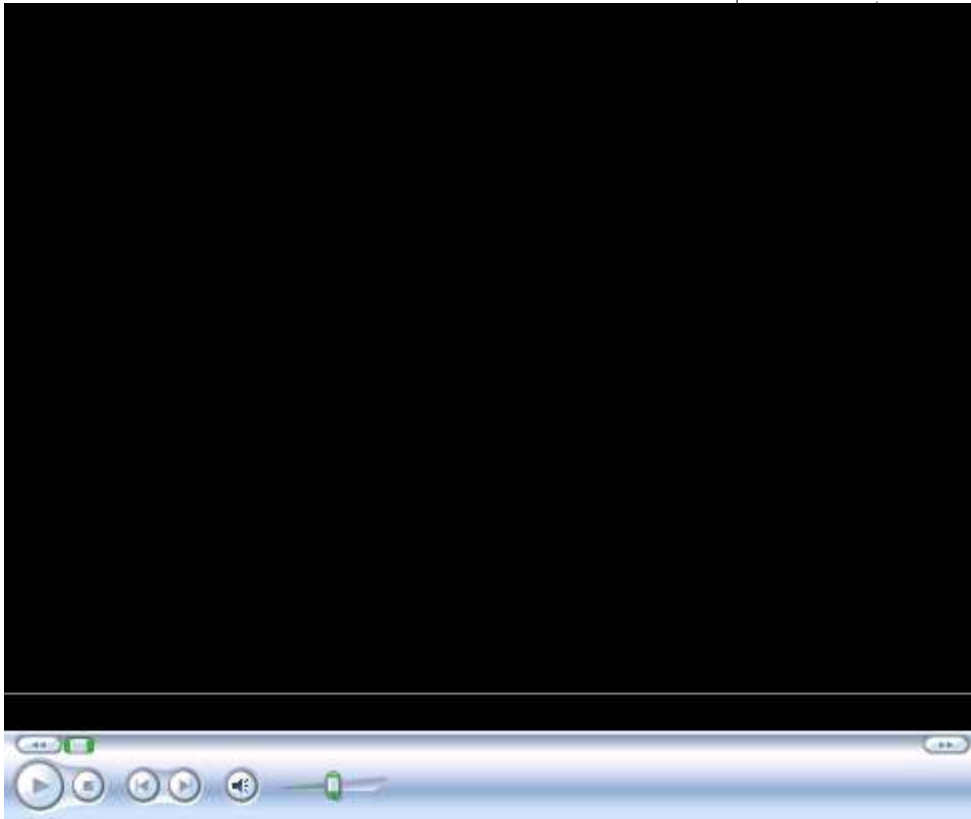
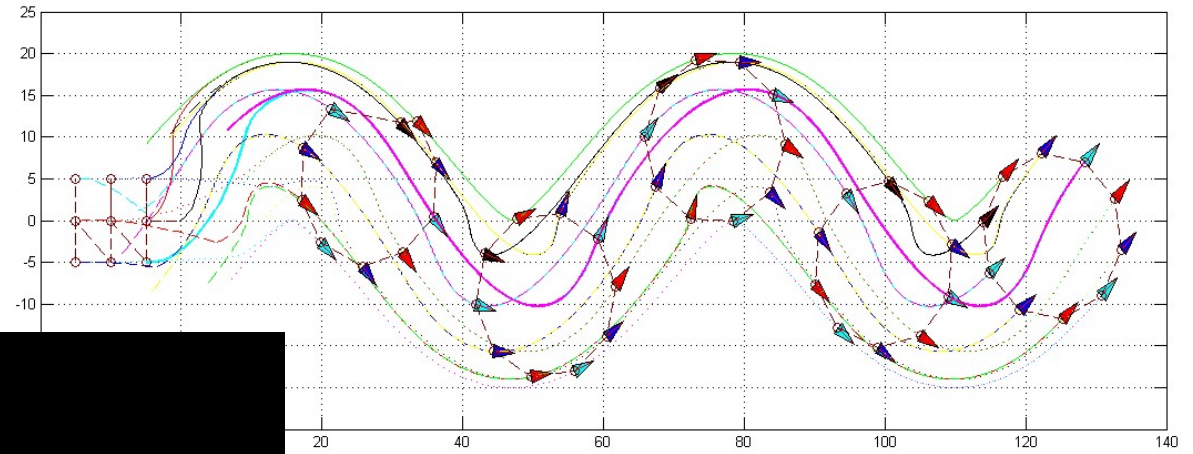
Triangle formation



Coordination: multiple vehicle

Coordinated paths tracking

Shrunk circle formation



Coordination: multiple vehicle

Summary:

1. Virtual target is the key for coordination
2. CPF: mathematical way to find relationship
3. CPT: more flexible
Also solve the RDV problem
4. Graph theory: mathematical tool for comm. topology

Conclusion and prospective

Main achievements:

1. Path tracking
2. Coordinated paths following
3. Coordinated paths tracking (Rendezvous)

Conclusion and prospective

Prospective/Open problems:

1. 2D- 3D motion control:
2. Output feedback control: Observer
3. Communication issues
Uni-directional communication
Time-delays/packet loss/intermittent communication
4. Integration: PF/PT & Obstacle Avoidance

Demonstrations

Conclusion and prospective

Outputs– Publication lists

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Thanks for your attention!

