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## HELMET

High Integrity EGNSS Layer for Multimodal Eco-friendly Transportation

GNSS and Copernicus in Rail – state of art

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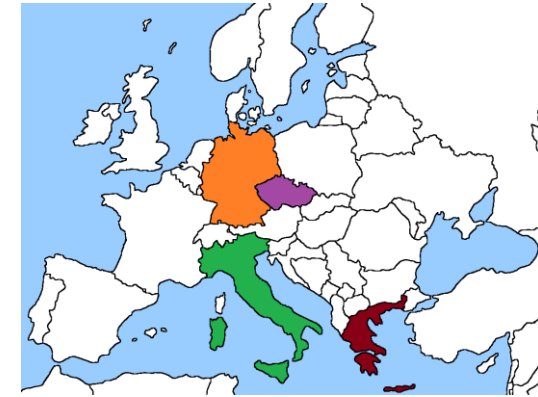
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**Main objective:** development of innovative **EGNSS** based applications for the most impacting **eco-friendly** and **green TRANSPORTATIONS MEANS** as

- automated and driverless **CARS**,
- connected **CARS**,
- **TRAINS** (mostly signaling and control systems),
- **UAV** (Unmanned Aerial Vehicles) for surveillance and integrated information management of roads and railways.



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**HELMET**

Enabling Safety critical applications on road and rails





# Automotive and Railway Synergie



Railways and Highways are very often close to each other and share the same **EM** environment and similar requirements



Largest distance between road and railway [m]	Road/rail length [km]
<50 m	1,500 km
<100 m	2,200 km
<500 m	6,000 km
< 1,000 m	10,000 km

Application	Scenario User Requirement / Use case	Integrity	Accuracy 95%		Alert Limit		Time to alert	Availability	Continuity	Security
			Lateral	Long.	Lateral	Long.				
RAIL Localization System	Track Identification	<1e-9/h	0.70 m		1.7 m		10 s – 30 s	High	N/A	Very High
	Odometry Calibration	<1e-9/h		0.70 m		1.7 m	< 1 s	High	N/A	Very High
	Cold Movement Detection	<1e-9/h		2 m		5 m	< 10 s	High	N/A	Very High
Road Localization System	Automated Driving on Highway	<1e-7/h	0.27 m	4.50 m	0.67 m	11 m	1 s	> 99.5%	High	Very High
	Automated Driving on Local Roads	<1e-7/h	0.17 m	0.40 m	0.42 m	1 m	1 s	> 99.5%	High	Very High
	Automated Driving on Narrow and Curved Roads	<1e-7/h	0.07 m	0.11 m	0.17 m	0.30 m	1 s	> 99.5%	High	Very High

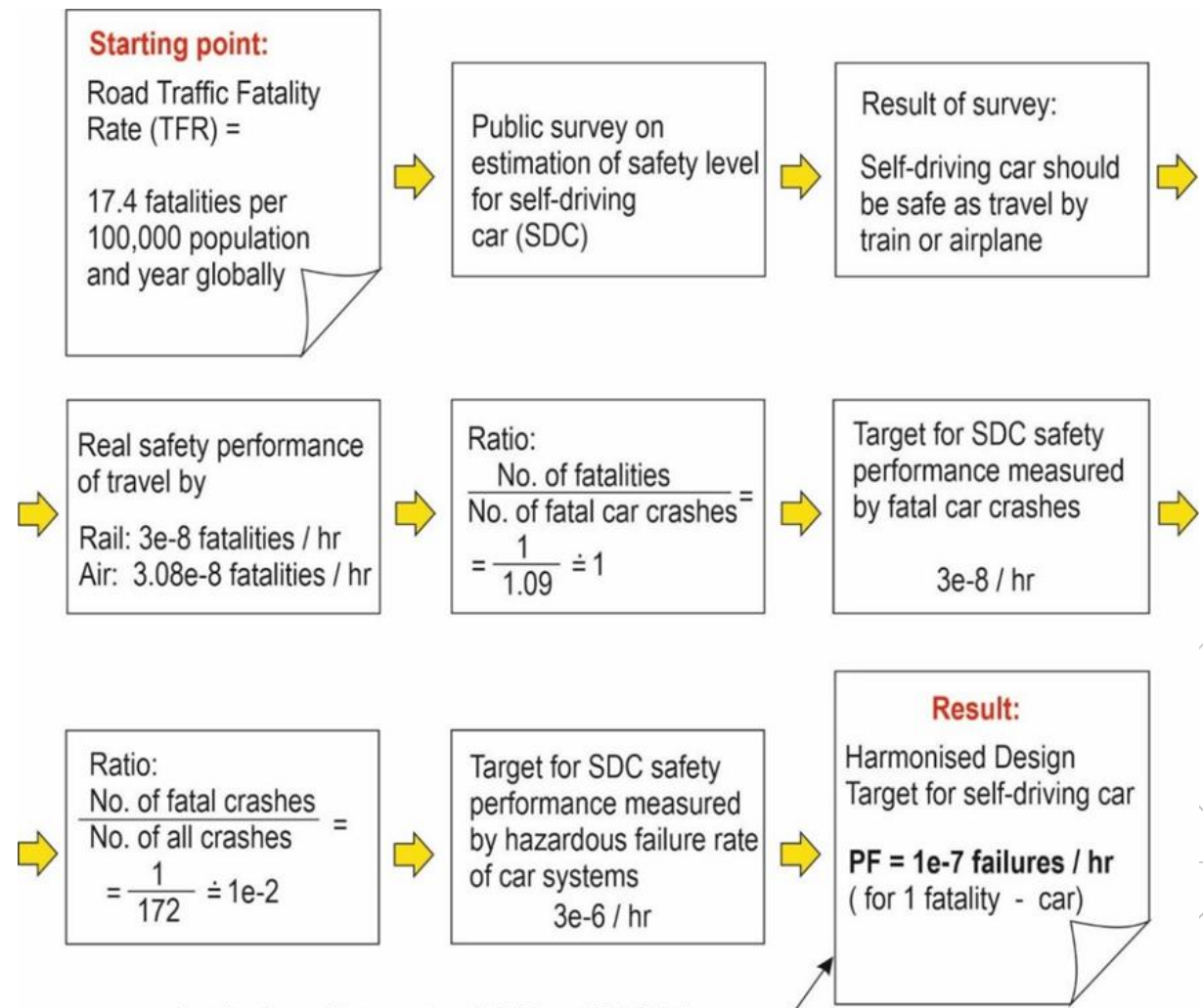
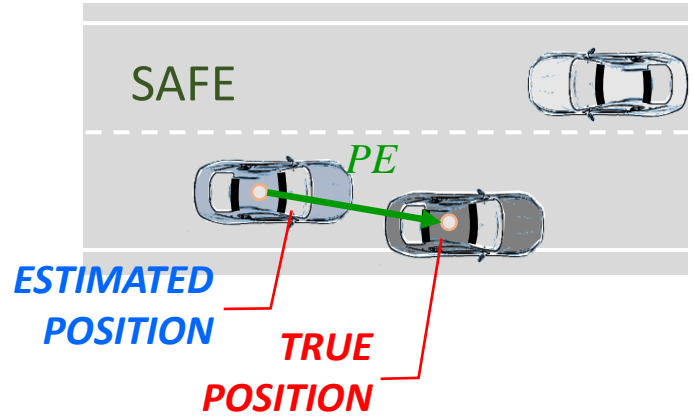




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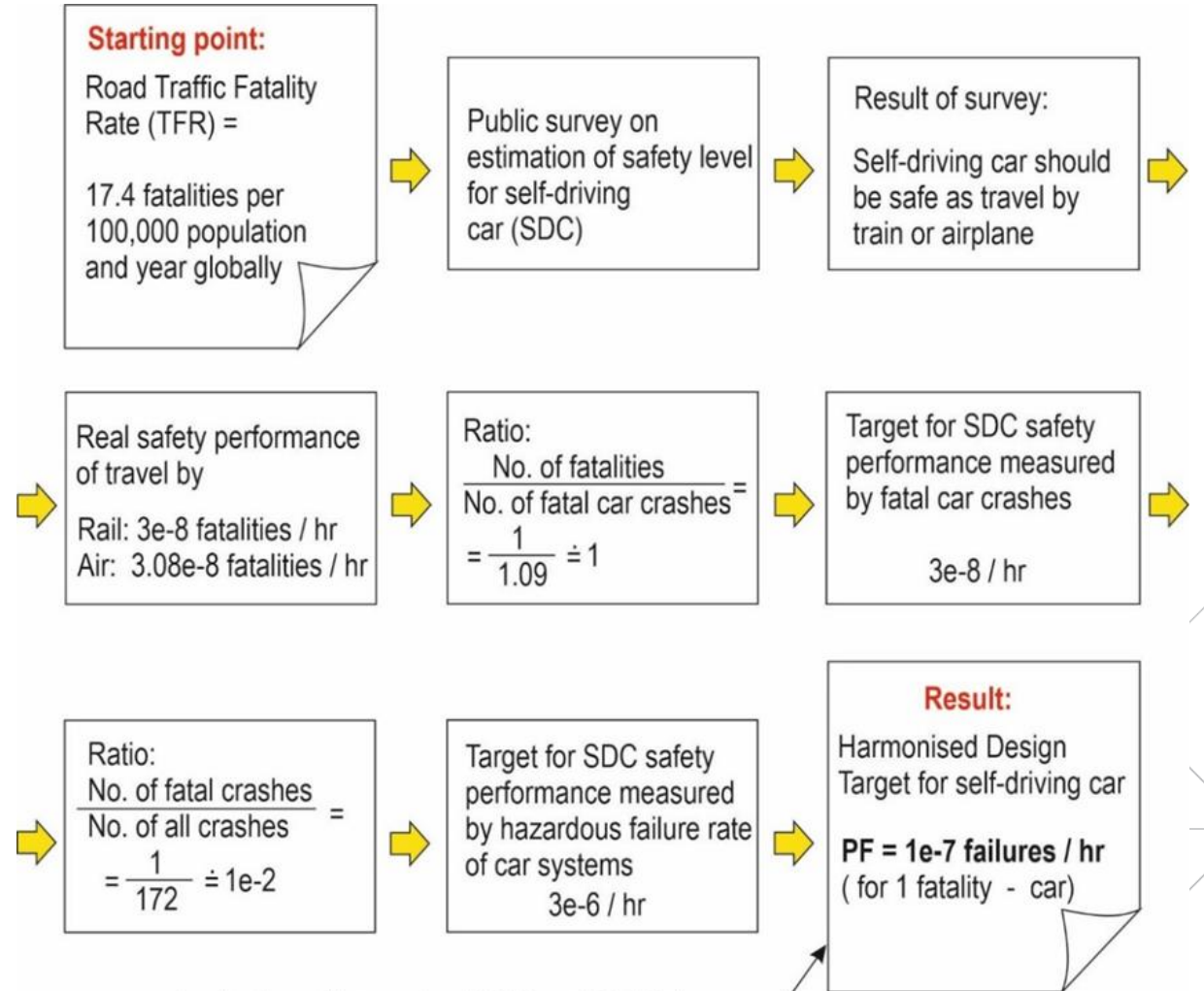
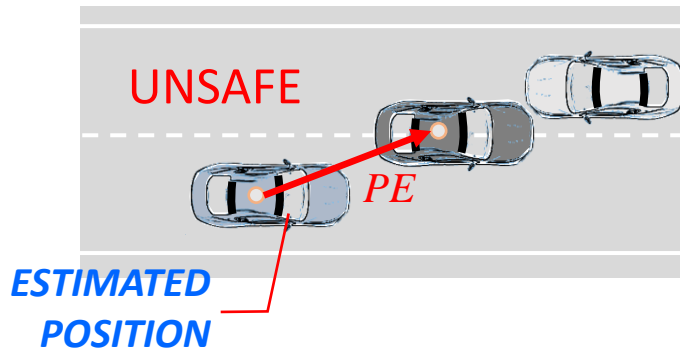
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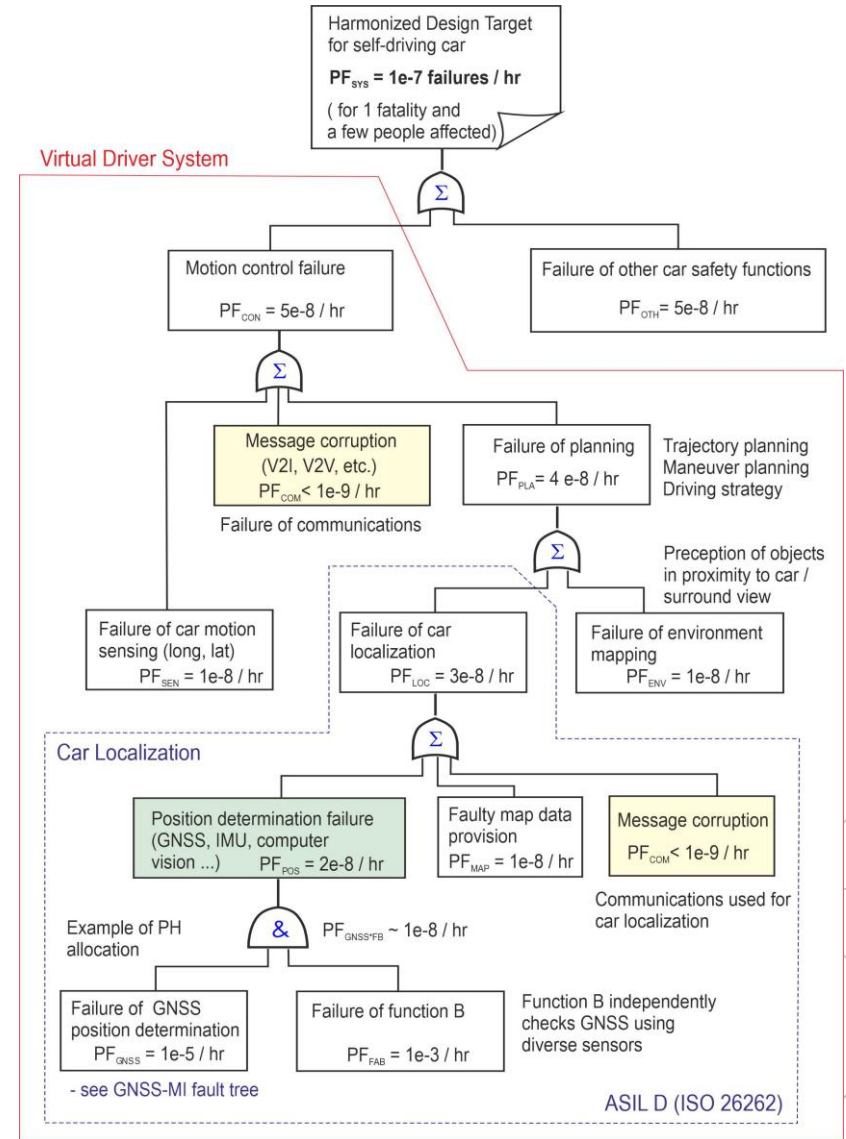
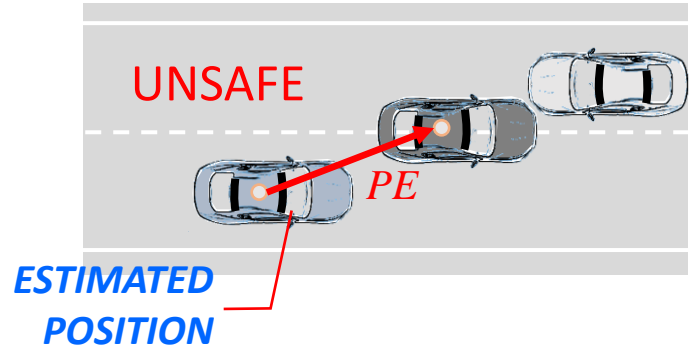
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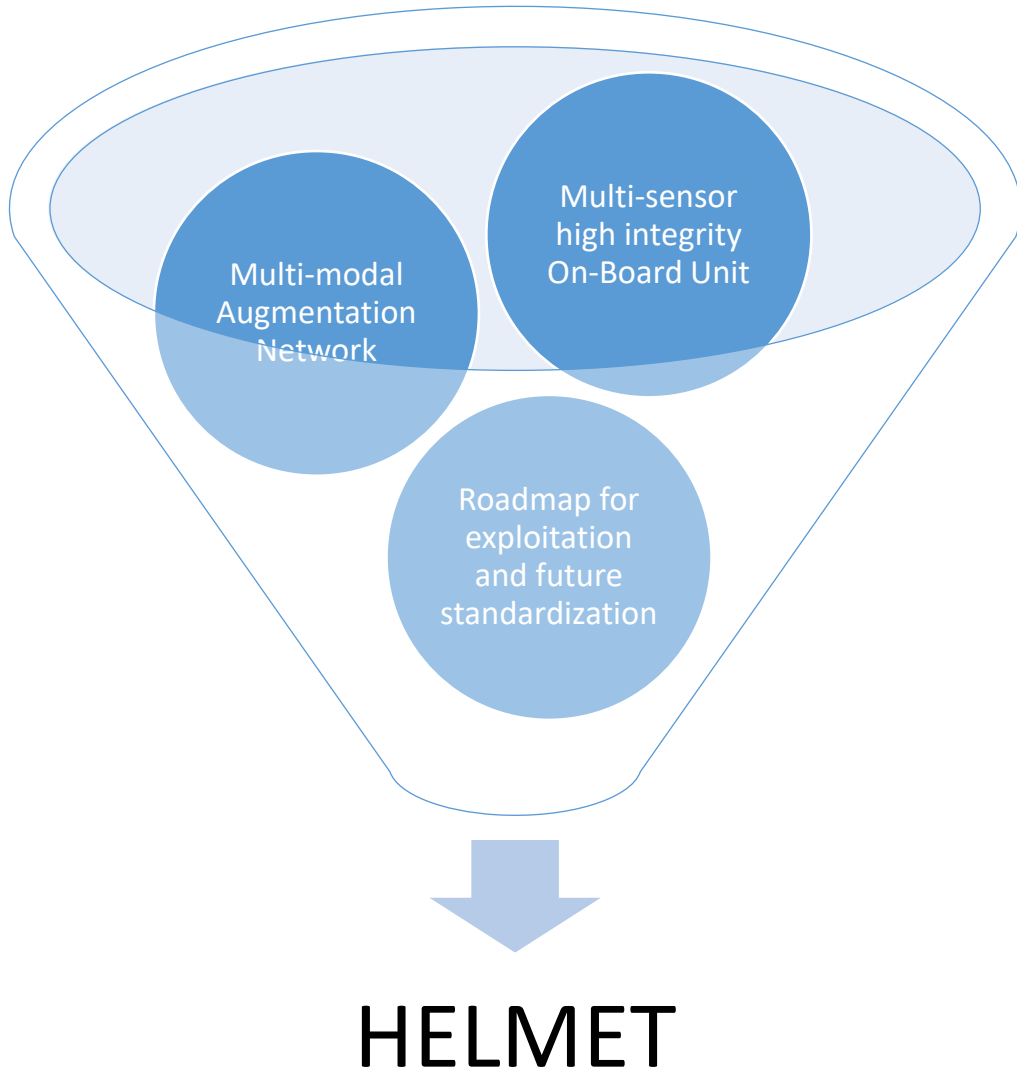


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# HELMET pillars and ambition

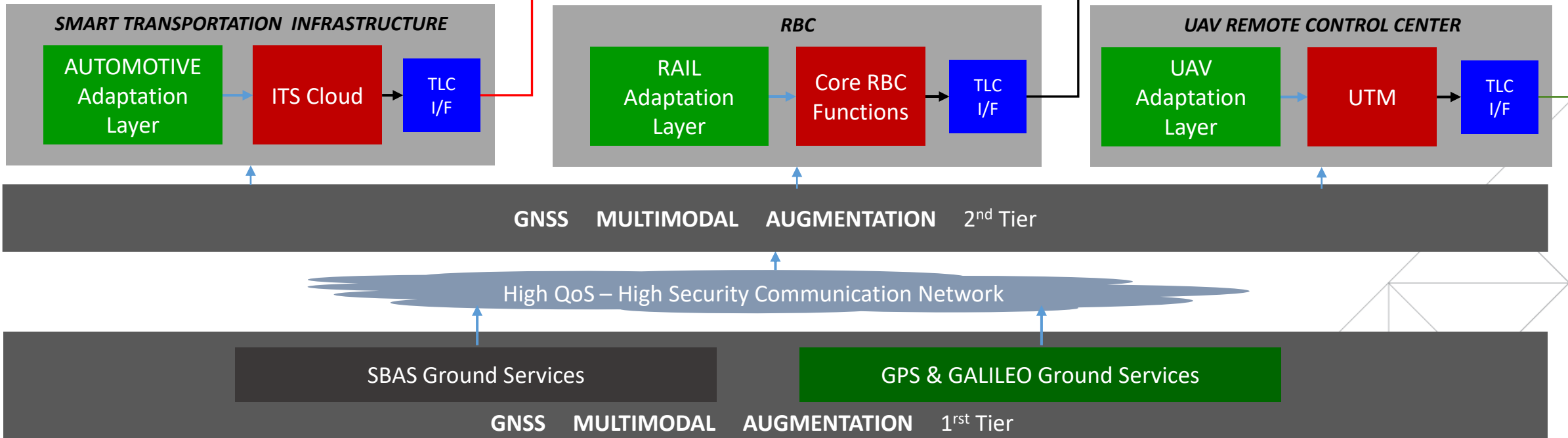
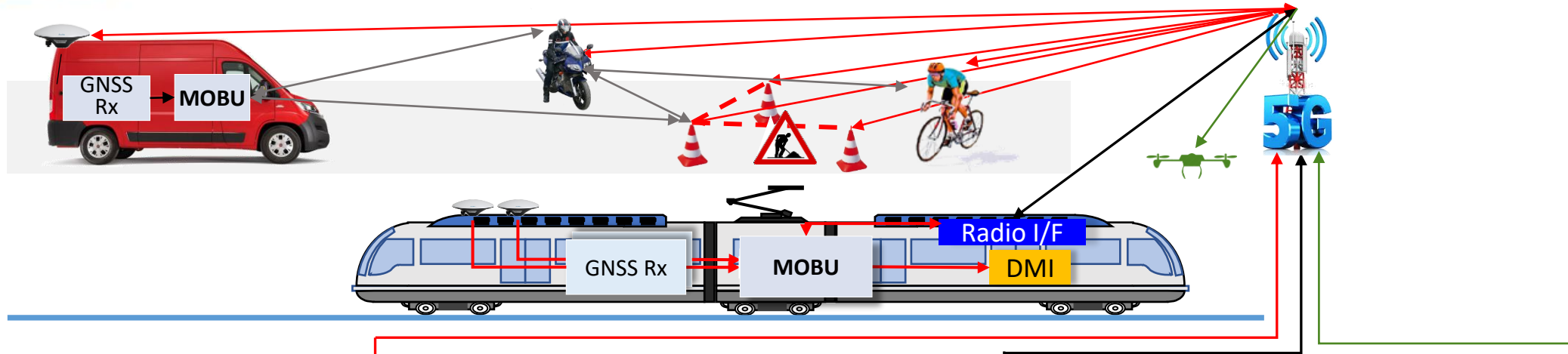


- leverage of expertise, experience and cutting-edge technologies available in state-of-the art for designing high integrity and **high accuracy multimodal AIMN** for land transportation and UAV
- design of high integrity and high accuracy **multi-sensor** algorithms based on **COTS** devices
- contribution to draw an advanced **roadmap** for exploitation and future commercialisation of EGNSS solutions for land transportations;
- contribution to the GNSS **certification** and authorization process into the ETCS/ERTMS and connected and semi-autonomous sectors
- working collaboration methodology **Industry 4.0**.





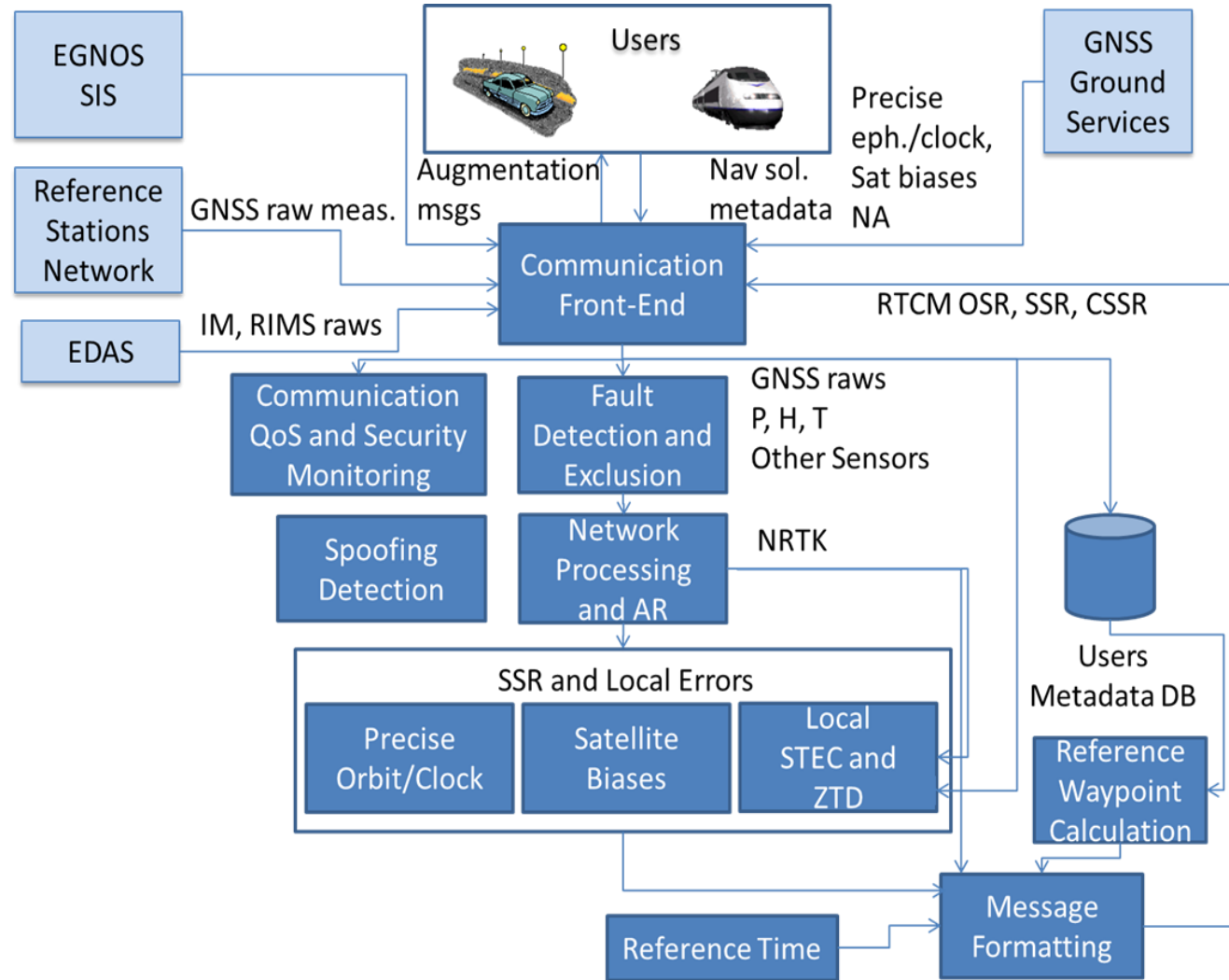
# HELMET Multi-modal architecture





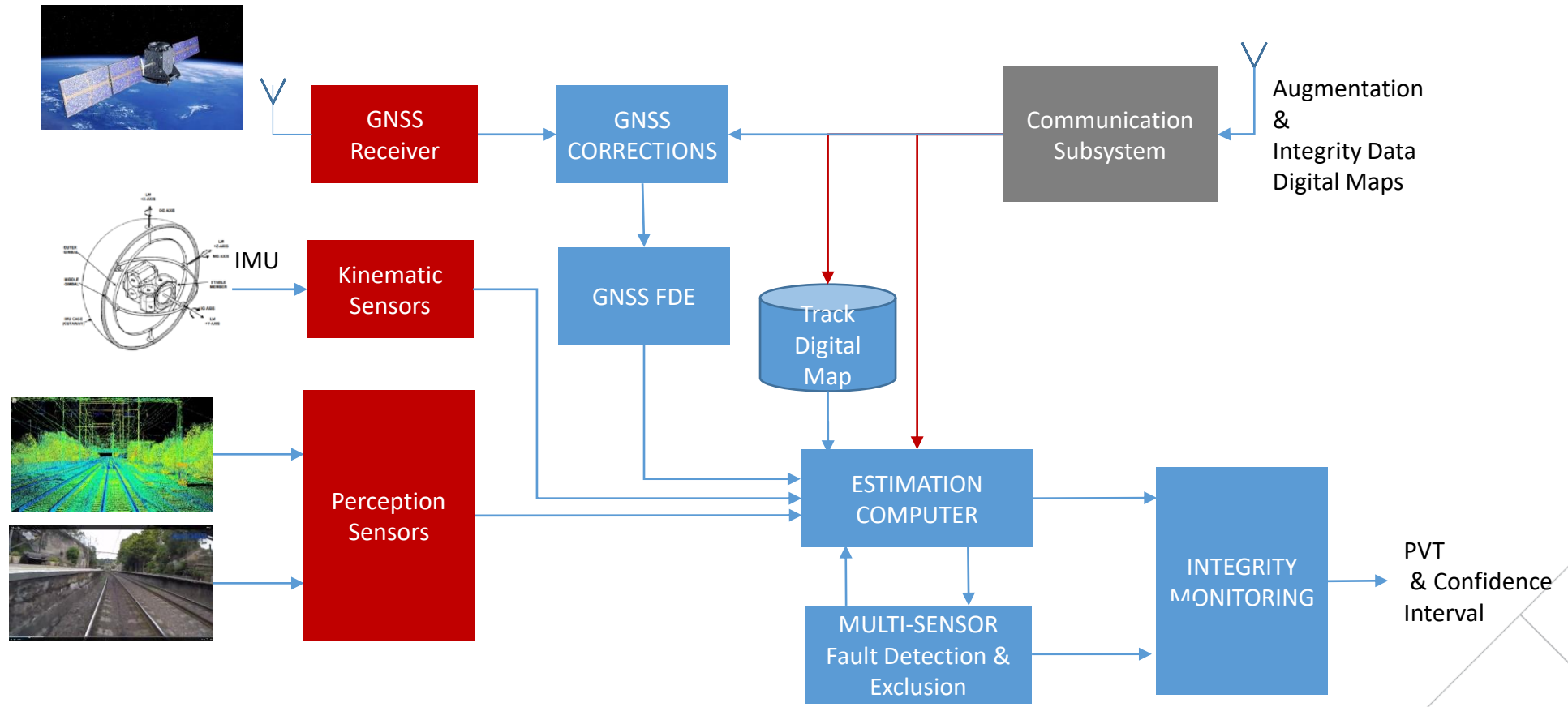


# 2nd Tier Multimodal AIMN





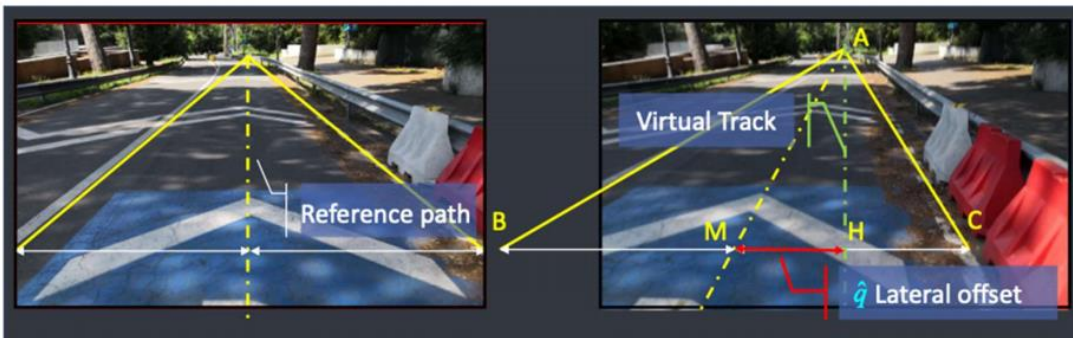
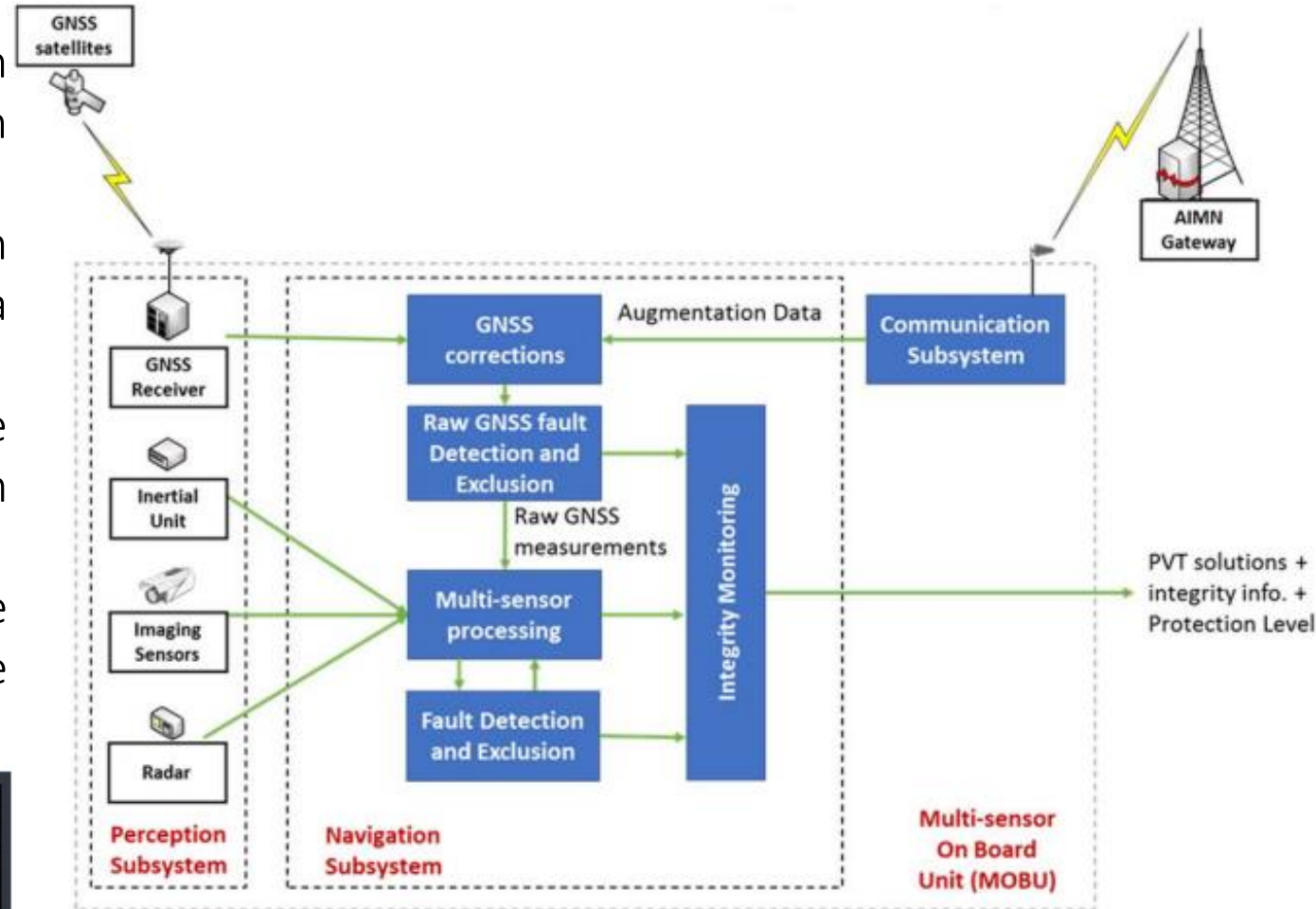
# HELMET Multisensor Platform





# HELMET Multi-sensor platform

- The high integrity multi-sensor unit will deal with a set of sensors that constitutes the perception subsystem.
- The output of these sensors will be elaborated in the navigation subsystem along with the data retrieved by the augmentation network.
- An integrity monitoring procedure will estimate the Protection Levels and ensure the system integrity
- A communication subsystem will ensure the interaction among the ground segment and the on-board unit



*Cameras can be used to create a Virtual lane and then exploit the track/lane constraint estimation.*

Ref.: S. Baldoni, F. Battisti, M. Brizzi, A. Neri **Virtual Track: A Vision-based Integrity Enhancement**,

IEEE/ION PLANS 2020.



# The Urban EM scenario



**MITIGATIONS**

Shadowing and Multipath are local GNSS Major Hazards

Camera Visible Horizon

Signal Domain

Correlation Domain

Measurement Domain

Position Domain (ARAIM)

**SENSOR FUSION**

**Hybridization with 5G**

**INDOOR NAVIGATION**

## Global Hazards

*sufficiently high spatial correlation so that*

*Augmentation Techniques are effective*

- Ephemerides and satellite clock errors*
- Ionospheric and tropospheric incremental delay*
- Inter-frequency bias, wind-up effect, solid tides, ...*

## Local Hazards

*error sources with very low spatial correlation, so that only a statistical, space variant, description of their behavior can be reliably given.*

- Multipath, Shadowing*
- Intentional and unintentional EMI (ElectroMagnetic Interferences)*
- Digital map errors*



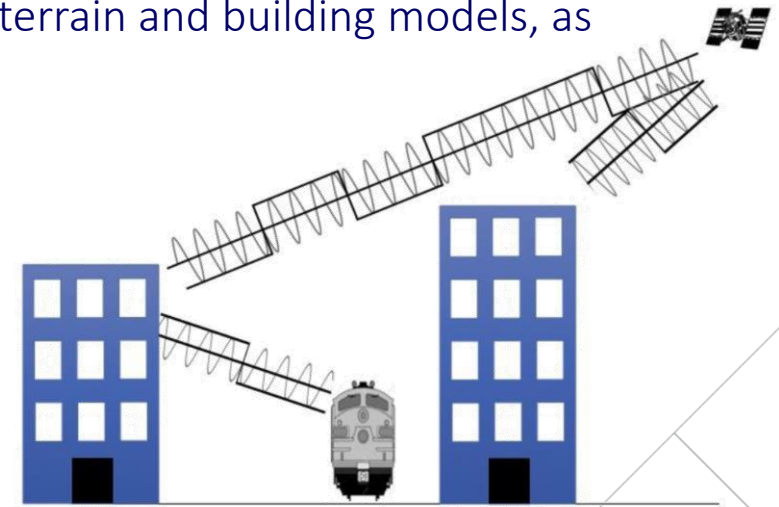
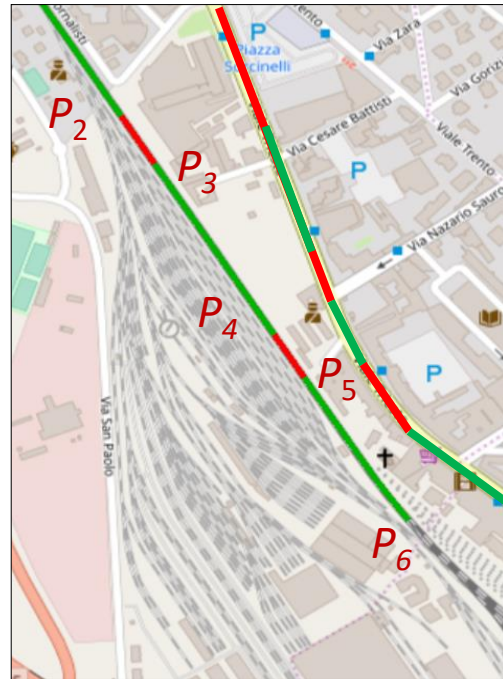


# Satellite Visibility Map



- To circumvent the performance losses originated by NLoS signals, a **SATELLITE VISIBILITY MAP** associated to the Rail/Road Digital Map is introduced.
- For each point of a track/road the map provides the list of satellites whose SIS contains a LoS component good enough so that it can be used for High Accuracy fixing during a given time interval.
- The Visibility Map can be obtained by means of predictive tools based on 3D terrain and building models, as well as by skyward video cameras as experimented in RHINOS [ROB17].

*SATELLITE #n VISIBILITY MAP*  
 As list of visibility segments defined by the end points' coordinates (e.g. mileage)



[ROB17] S. Roberts, L. Bonenberg, X. Meng, T. Moore e C. Hill, «Predictive Intelligence for a Rail Traffic Management System,» in Proceedings of the 30th International Technical Meeting of The Satellite Division of the Institute of Navigation (ION GNSS+ 2017), Portland, Oregon, 2017.





# MULTIPATH HAZARD MAP



- LoS Multipath described by parametric models

The **Multipath Hazard Map** associated at a given track is constituted by a list of segments. For each segment the map contains

The **coordinates** of the two end points

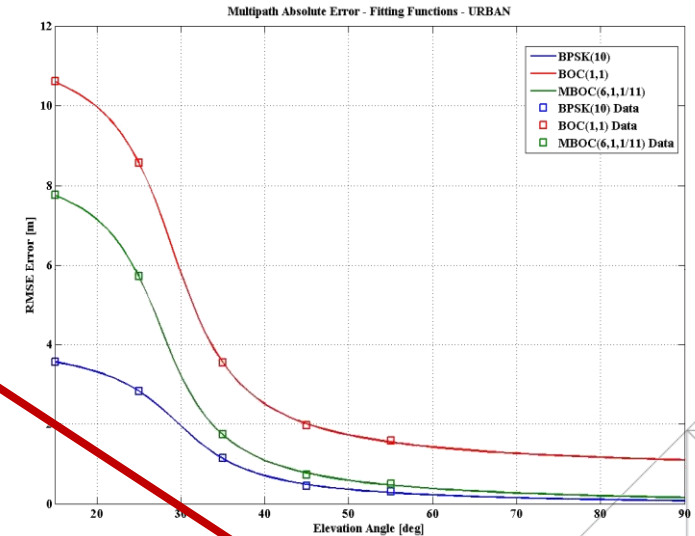
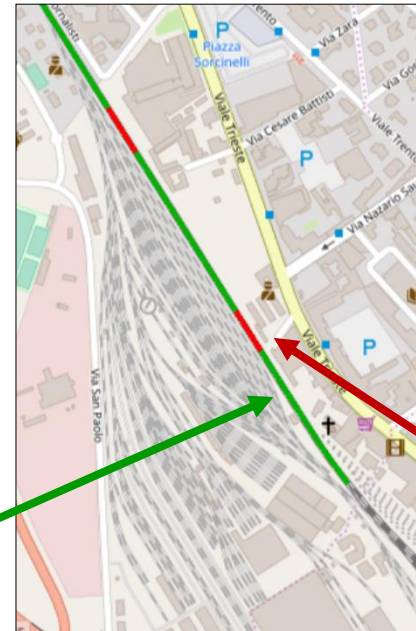
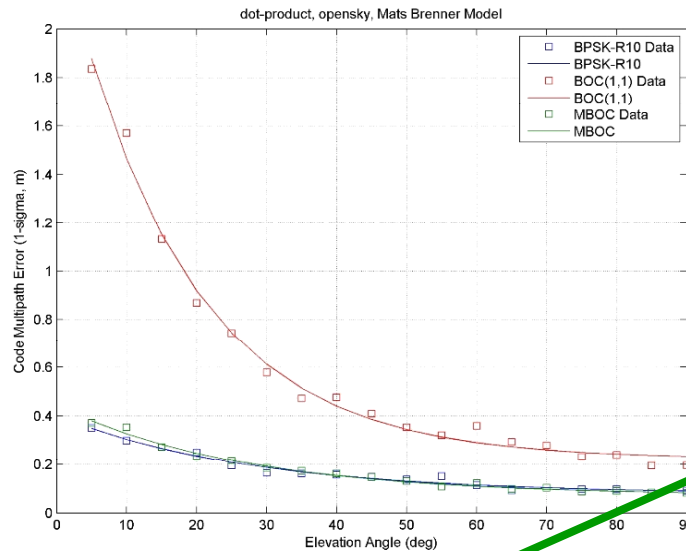
The **identifier** of the first order distribution of the pseudorange error

The **(attribute,value) pairs** of the distribution

The **spatial** and **temporal constants** of the first order Markov approximations

Mats Brenner model

$$\sigma = a + b \cdot \exp[cE]$$



	BOC(1,1)	MBOC	BPSK(10)
a	0.22176	0.070391	0.077988
b	2.2128	0.37408	0.32624
c	-0.057807	-0.037694	-0.036692

	BOC(1,1)	MBOC	BPSK(10)
a	6.3784	4.4144	2.0338
b	-3.5782	-2.871	-1.3428
c	0.1725	0.1846	0.1462
d	29.075	27.6112	29.565



# Interference Hazards

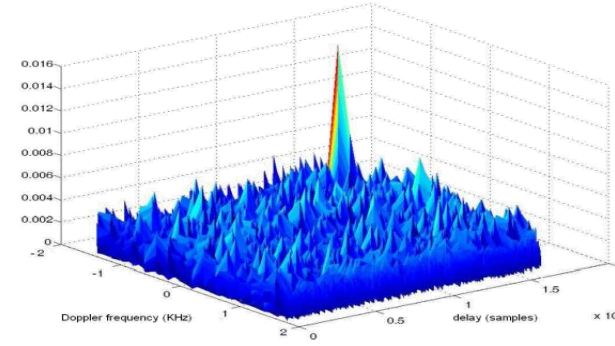
Intentional and unintentional interferences may have impacts on

- Signal acquisition,
- Signal tracking
- PVT computation.

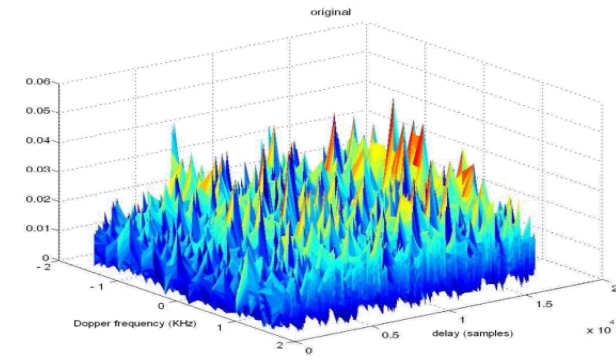
Impacts and Mitigations strictly depend on Interference Power Spectral Density specific Hazard

Therefore several EMI classes are considered specific Hazard Maps are considered

- *Narrowband*
- *Matched-Spectrum*
- *Bandlimited White Gaussian Noise*



Single SIS PSD

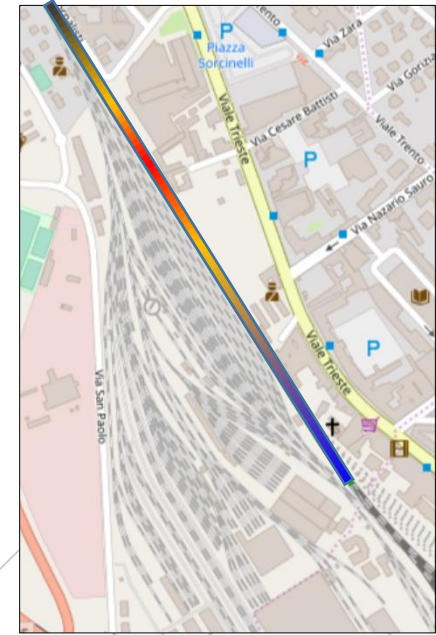


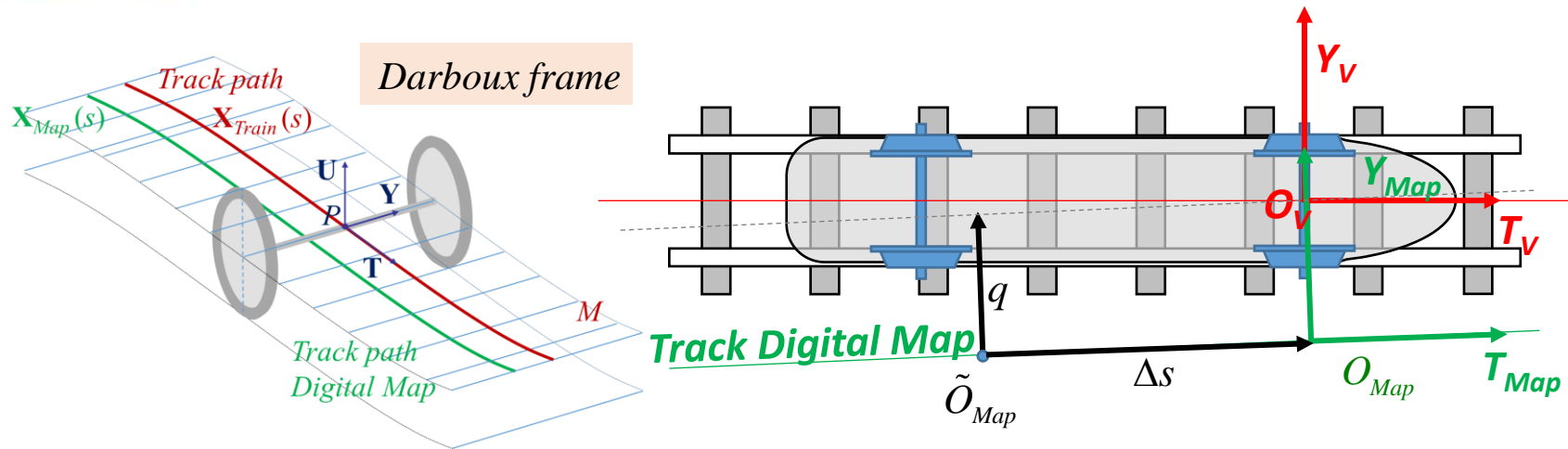
Single SIS+CW interference PSD

The **EMI Hazard Map** associated at a given track is constituted by a list of segments for which the EMI strength of each EMI class is almost constant.

For each segment, the map contains

- the **coordinates** of the two **end points**,
- The **identifier** of the prevailing EMI class
- the **Interference-to-Noise ratio** of the prevailing EMI class





Let  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}_{3D}$  be the unconstrained Maximum Likelihood Estimate of the train location with respect to the Darboux frame. Then, the constrained solution  $\hat{\mathbf{z}}_{1D}$  can be computed as follows

$$\hat{\mathbf{z}}_{1D} = \hat{\mathbf{z}}_{3D} + \mathbf{K}_{Map} (\mathbf{0}_{2 \times 1} - \mathbf{H}_{Map} \hat{\mathbf{z}}_{3D})$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{Map} = \mathbf{R}_{z_{3D}} \mathbf{H}_{Map}^T [\mathbf{H}_{Map} \mathbf{R}_{z_{3D}} \mathbf{H}_{Map}^T + \mathbf{R}_{Map}]^{-1}$$

Survey error  
Covariance Matrix

$$\mathbf{H}_{Map} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the covariance matrix  $\mathbf{R}_{z_{1D}}$  of the constrained solution we have

$$\mathbf{R}_{z_{1D}} = [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_{Map} \mathbf{H}_{Map}] \mathbf{R}_{z_{3D}}$$





## HELMET's Takeaways

- a bold new step, on the roadmap of H2020 RHINOS project, to implement EGNSS localization means on land transport domain
- Design and in-field verification of the capabilities of a **MULTI-MODAL LOCALISATION PLATFORM** supporting High Integrity High Accuracy Positioning services for cars, trains and UAVs
- **PROOF OF CONCEPT** of high integrity and high accuracy innovative algorithms with multi-sensors architectures
- **EXPLOITATION of EGNSS DIFFERENTIATORS** to fight back against common hazards of the land mobile scenarios
- Consortium of Research institutions, SMEs and a Large company representing the whole value chain
- Interactions with **RTCM SC 134** on GNSS High Accuracy Applications standardisation and representative users to define a roadmap up to the full exploitation of the system.
- **KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER** from academia to industry
  - Autonomous vehicles community can get know-how from ERTMS+GNSS, especially regarding safety and certification
  - Car multi-sensor high-resolution platforms can further improve the ERTMS economical sustainability

# Linking space to user needs



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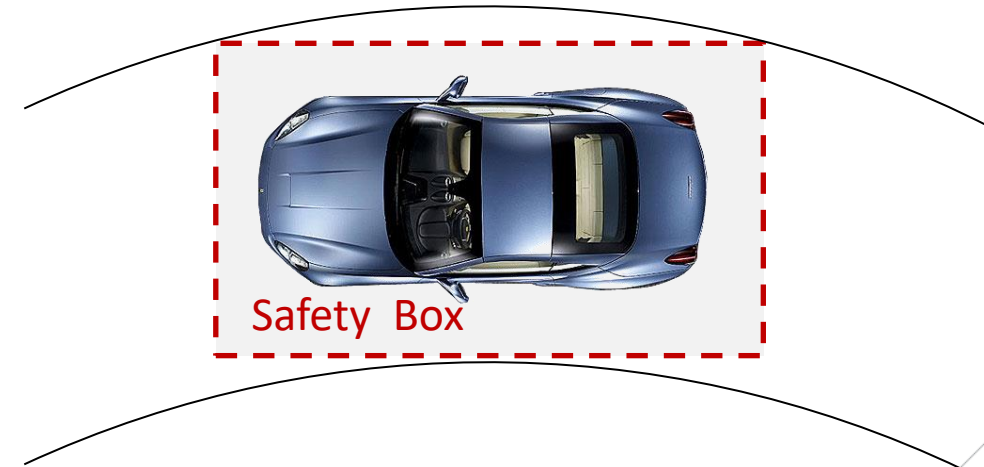
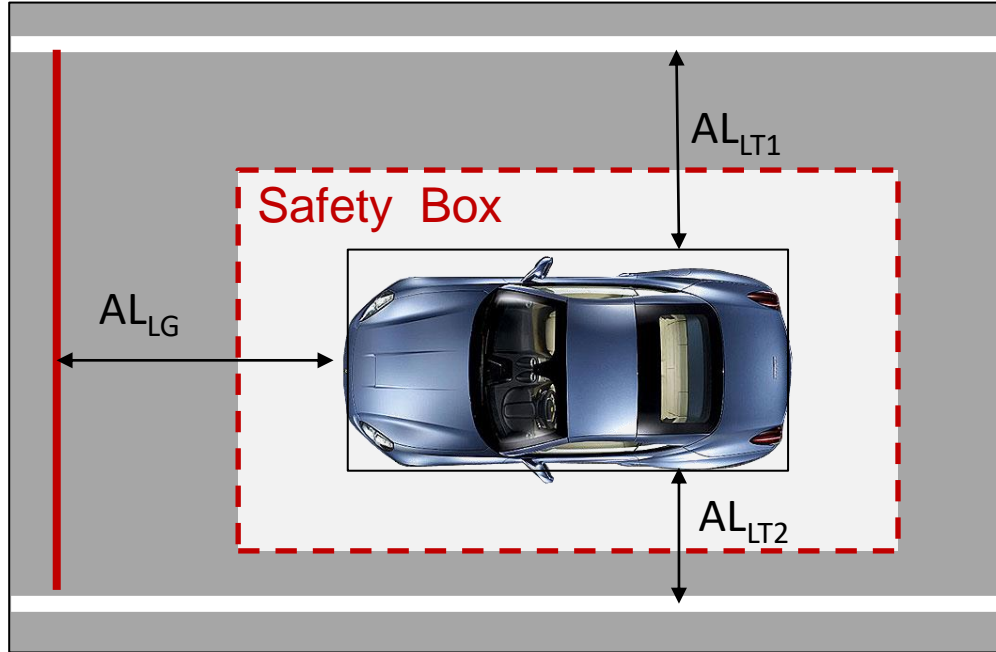
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# DEFINITIONS

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**Alert Limit:** Maximum error for which driving can still be considered safe w.r.t. a given ASIL

AL lateral:  $AL_{LT} = \min(AL_{LT1}, AL_{LT2})$

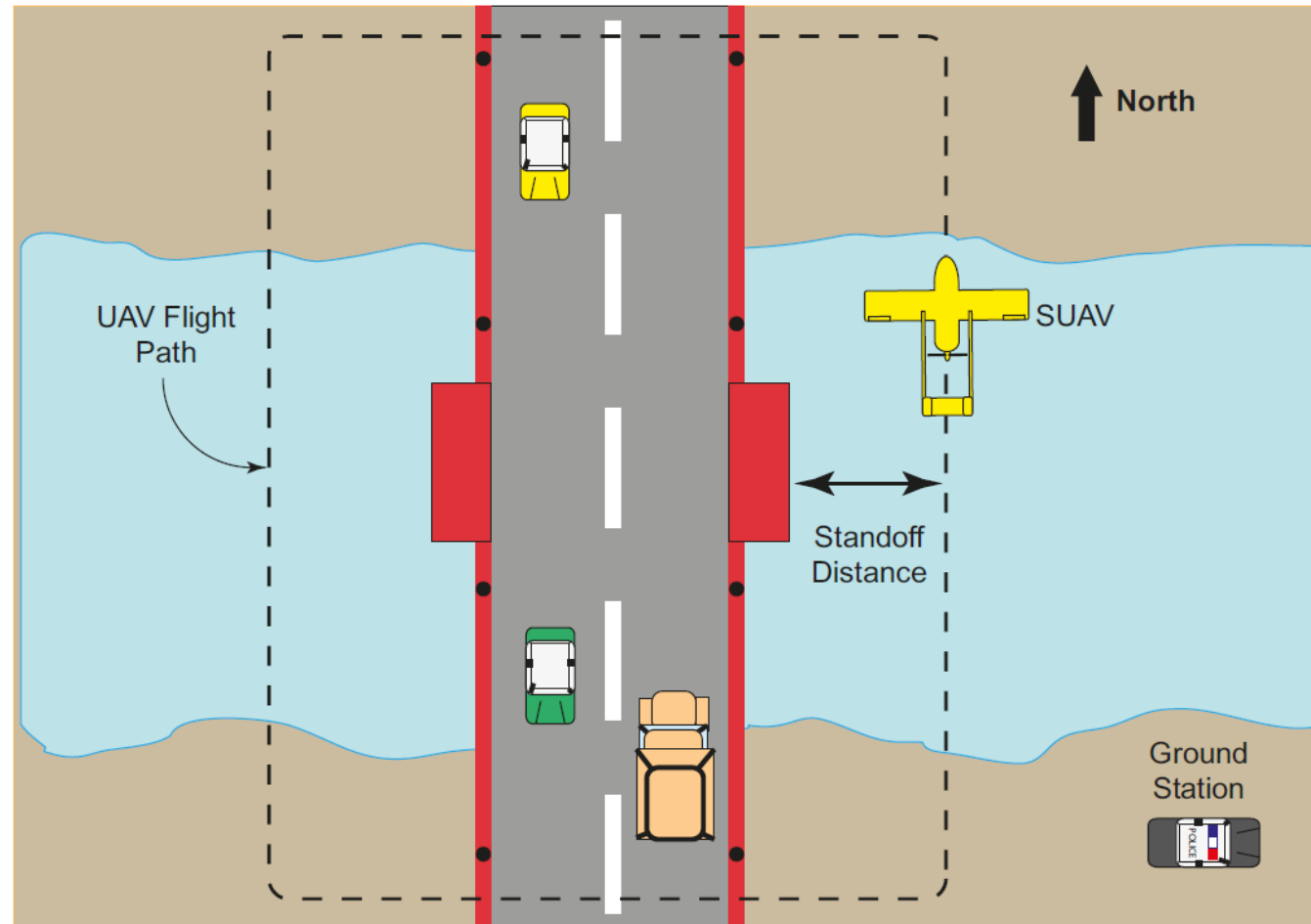
AL longitudinal:  $AL_{LG}$

**Safety Box:** Position Confidence Interval corresponding to a given Probability equal to a  $1 - P_{HMI}$

**Protection Levels (Longitudinal and Lateral):** half amplitudes of the safety box



## UAV Infrastructure Inspection Use Case: Engine failure mitigation



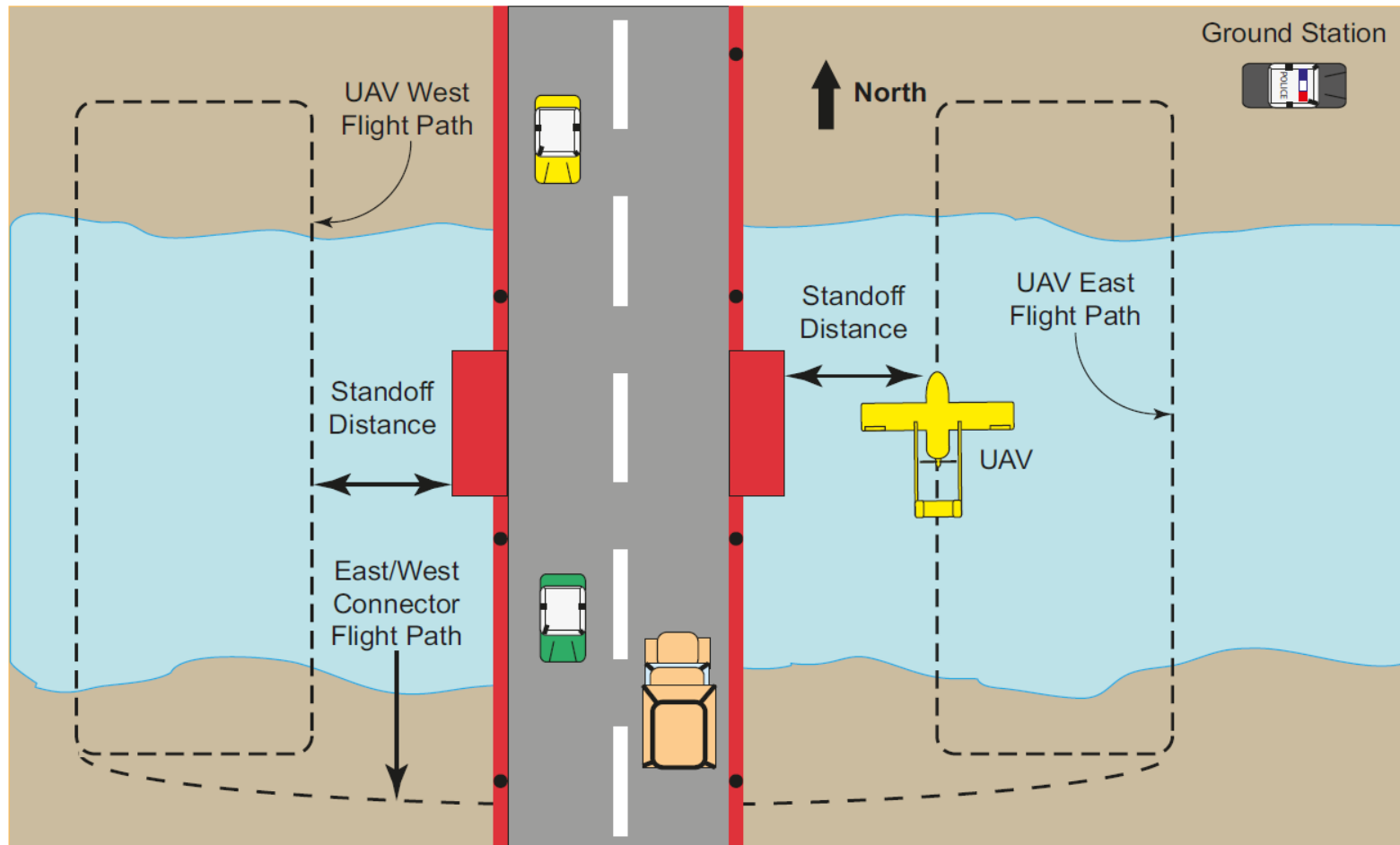
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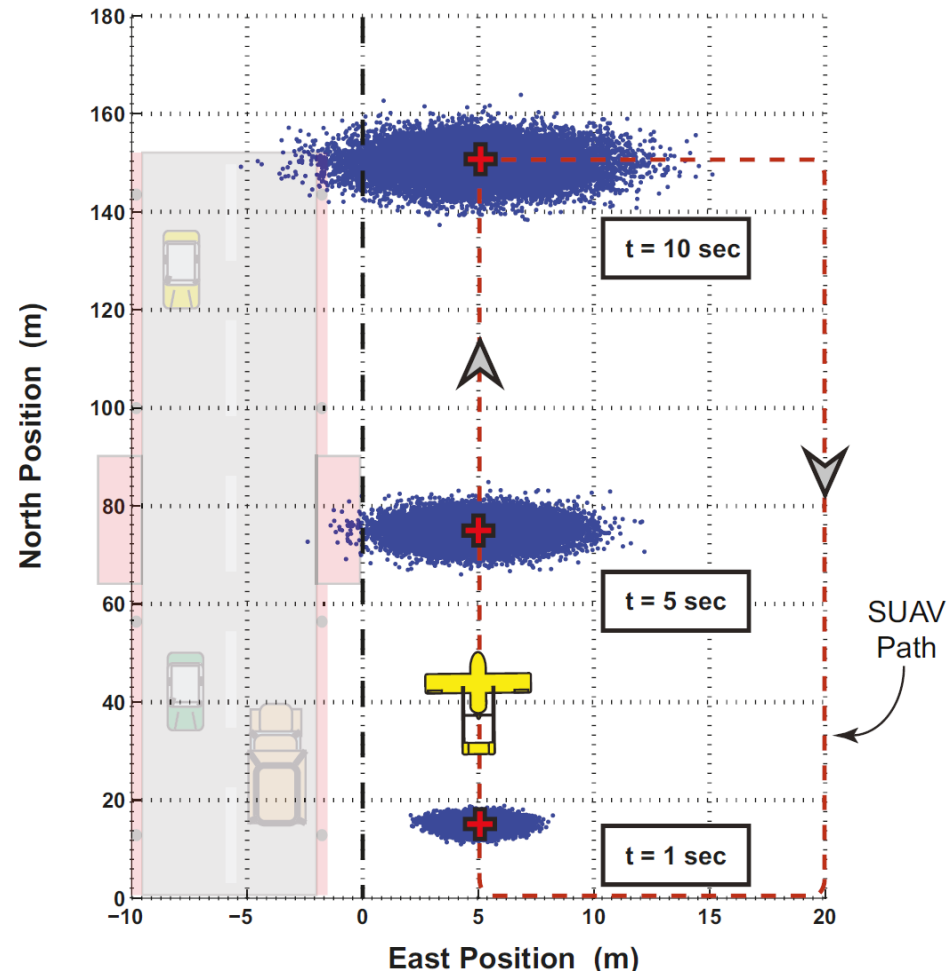




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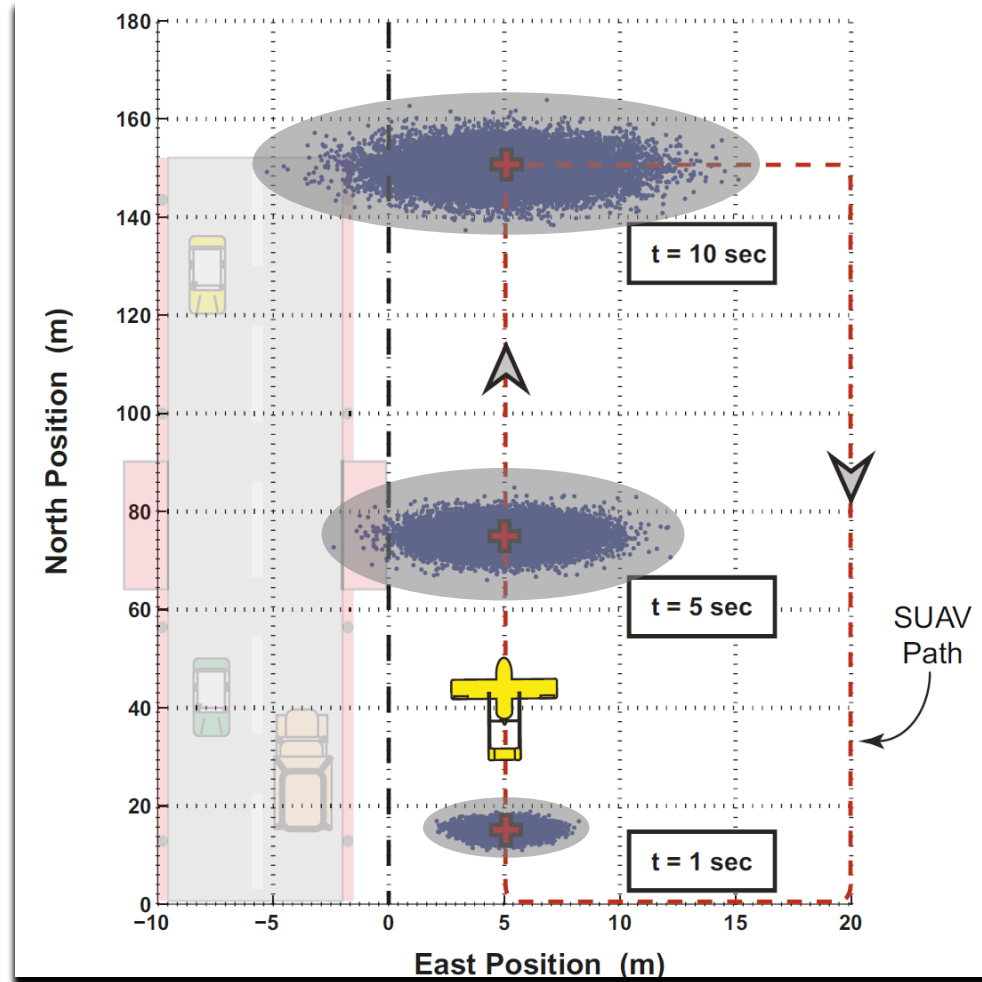




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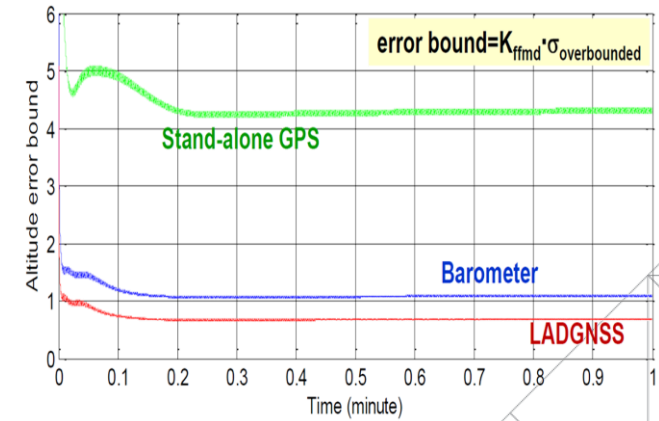
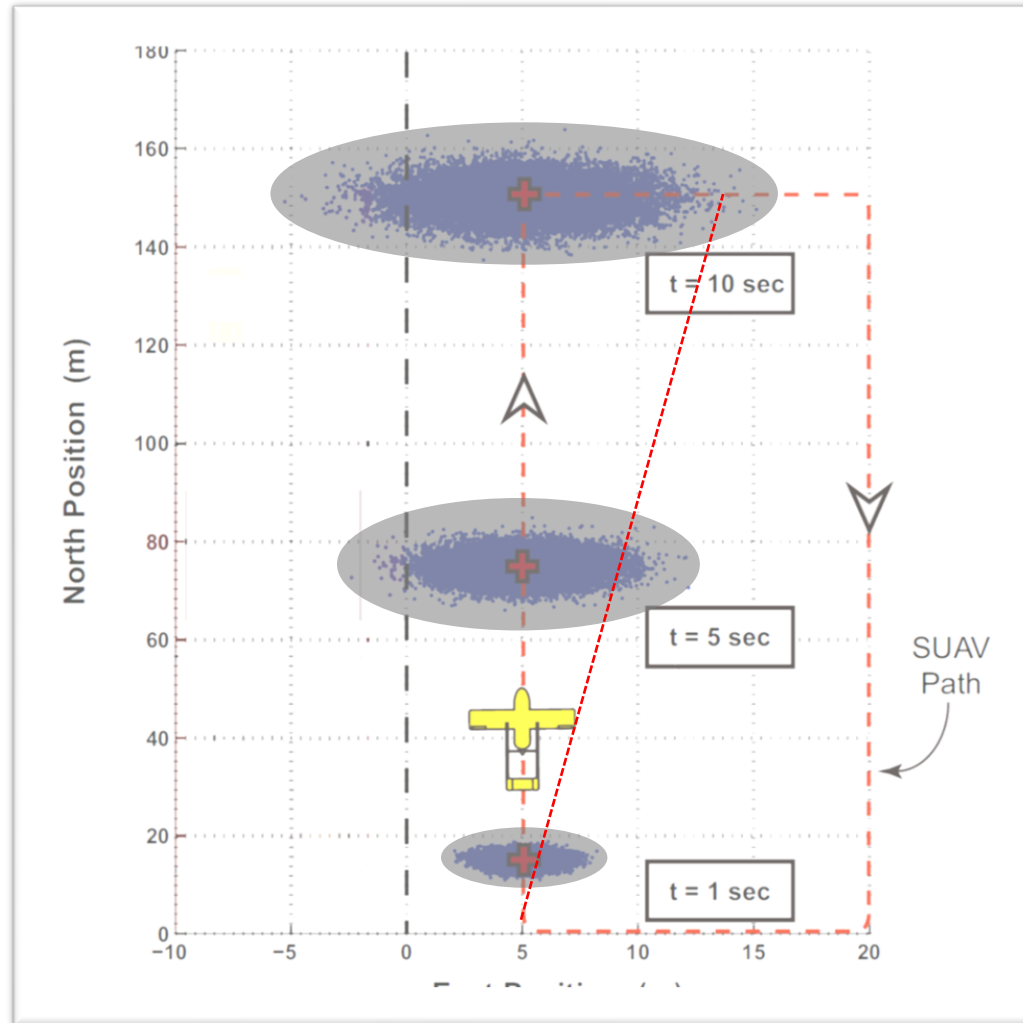




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