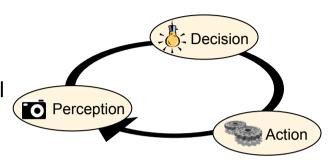
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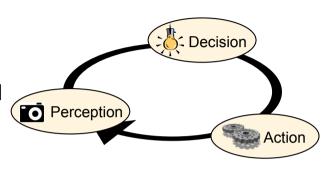


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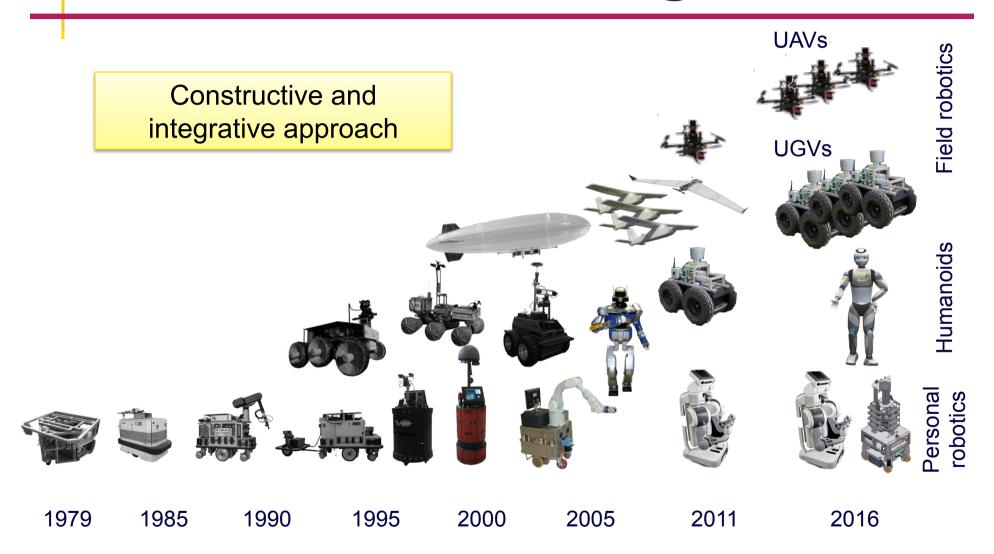
Research domains

- Cognitive and interactive Robotics
- Aerial and Terrestrial Field Robotics
- Human and anthropomorphic motion
- Bio-informatics, Molecular motion

15 full time researchers
13 faculty members
61 PhD students
9 engineers
9 post-docs
19 visitors and sabbaticals

 Considered applications: Service and personal robotics, cobots, virtual worlds and animation, biochemistry, embedded systems, transport, planetary exploration, defense, civil safety

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Open source software tools: www.openrobots.org

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 - Patrolling missions over known areas
 - Backbone project: Action (DGA, 2007-15 joint work with Onera)
 - Researches on
 - Mission planning and supervision
 - Environment modelling
 - Distributed localization



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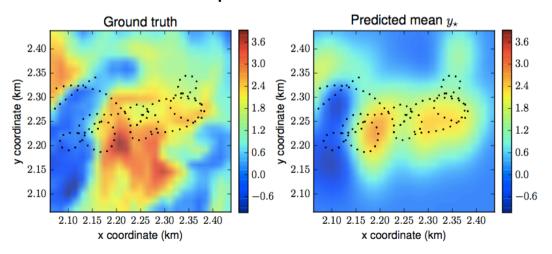


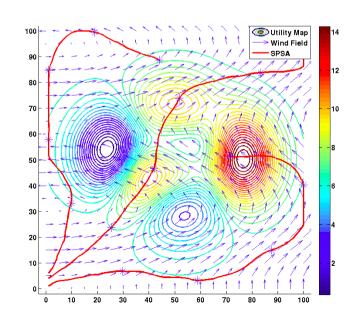




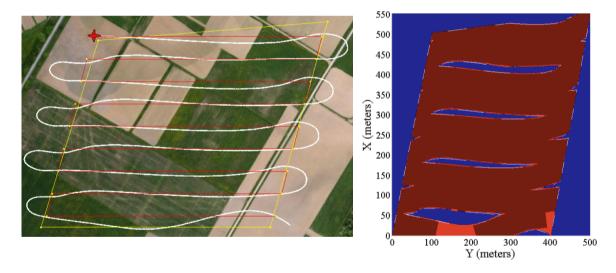


Multi-robot exploration revisited

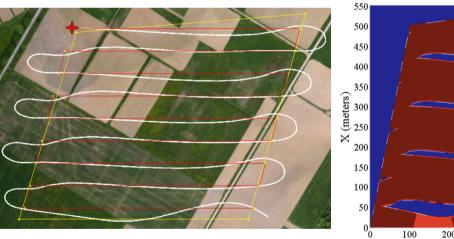


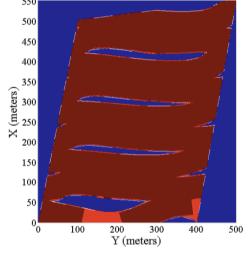


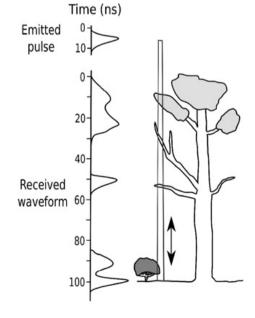
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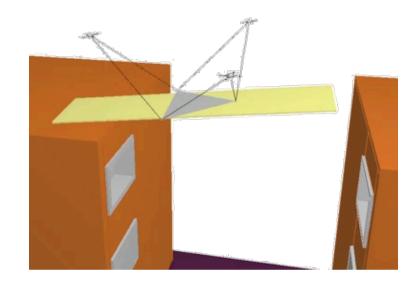




- Alternate sensors
 - Hyperspectral imager
 - Multi-echo Lidar

Physical interactions with the environment

 "Assembly and structure construction with cooperative free-flying robots" (ARCAS FP7 project, 2011-15)



 "Aerial robotic system with advanced manipulation capabilities for industrial inspection and maintenance" (AEROARMS H2020 project, 2015-19)

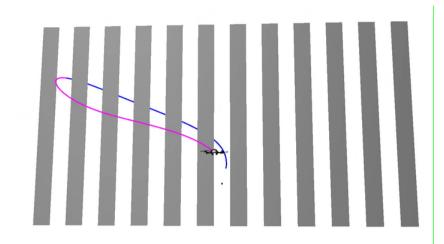




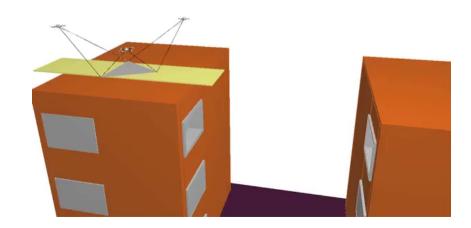


Kino-dynamic motion planning

Planning dynamic motions

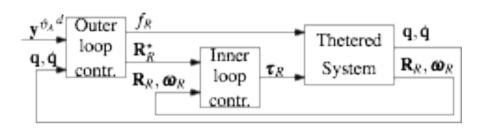


Planning load transport motions

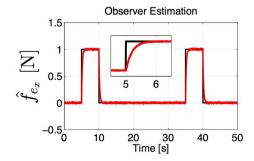


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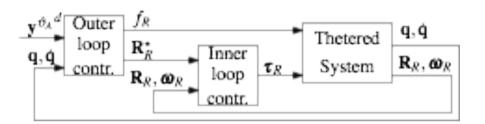


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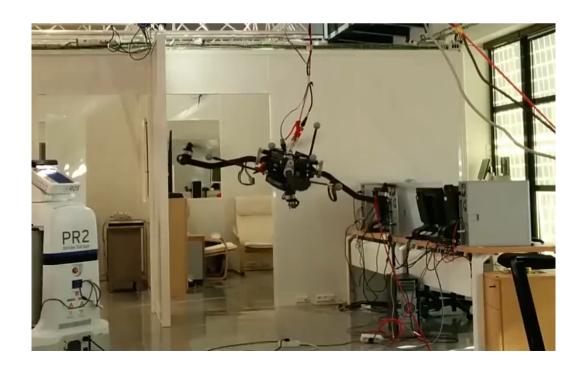


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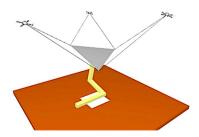
Physical interactions: considered tasks

- Aerial-ground co-manipulation

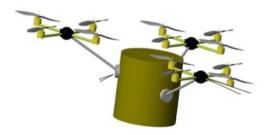
- Main tasks addressed:
 - Inspecting/Pushing



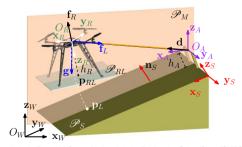
- Manipulation & Transportation by cables



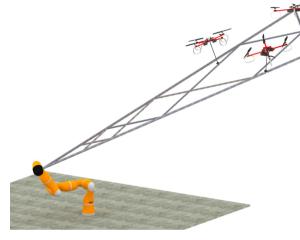
- Grasping with multiple ARs



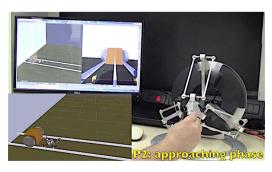
Takeoff/landing from/on slopes



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- Shared control



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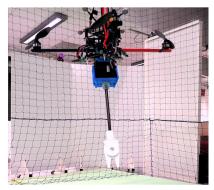
Physical interactions: platforms

• Main hardware platforms

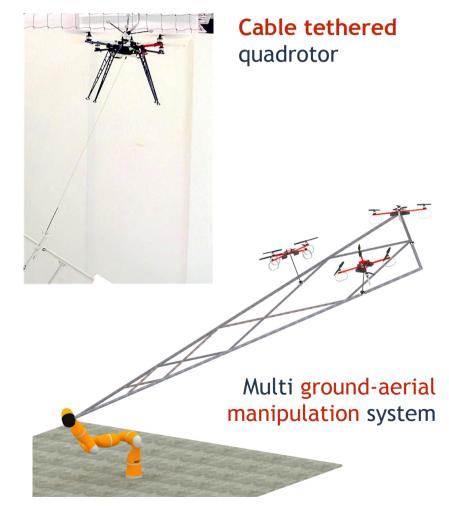




Fully-actuated by tilting propellers hexarotor and quadrotor



Quadrotor with elastic-joint arm



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