



Calhoun: The NPS Institutional Archive

DSpace Repository

CRUSER (Consortium for Robotics and Unmanned Systems Ediction and Crees Based a)rch

2021

Ethical Control of Unmanned Systems: Repeatable Mission Evaluation Through

Brutzman, Don; Blais, Curtis

Monterey, California: Naval Postgraduate School

http://hdl.handle.net/10945/68262

This publication is a work of the U.S. Government as defined in Title 17, United States Code, Section 101. Copyright protection is not available for this work in the United States.

Downloaded from NPS Archive: Calhoun

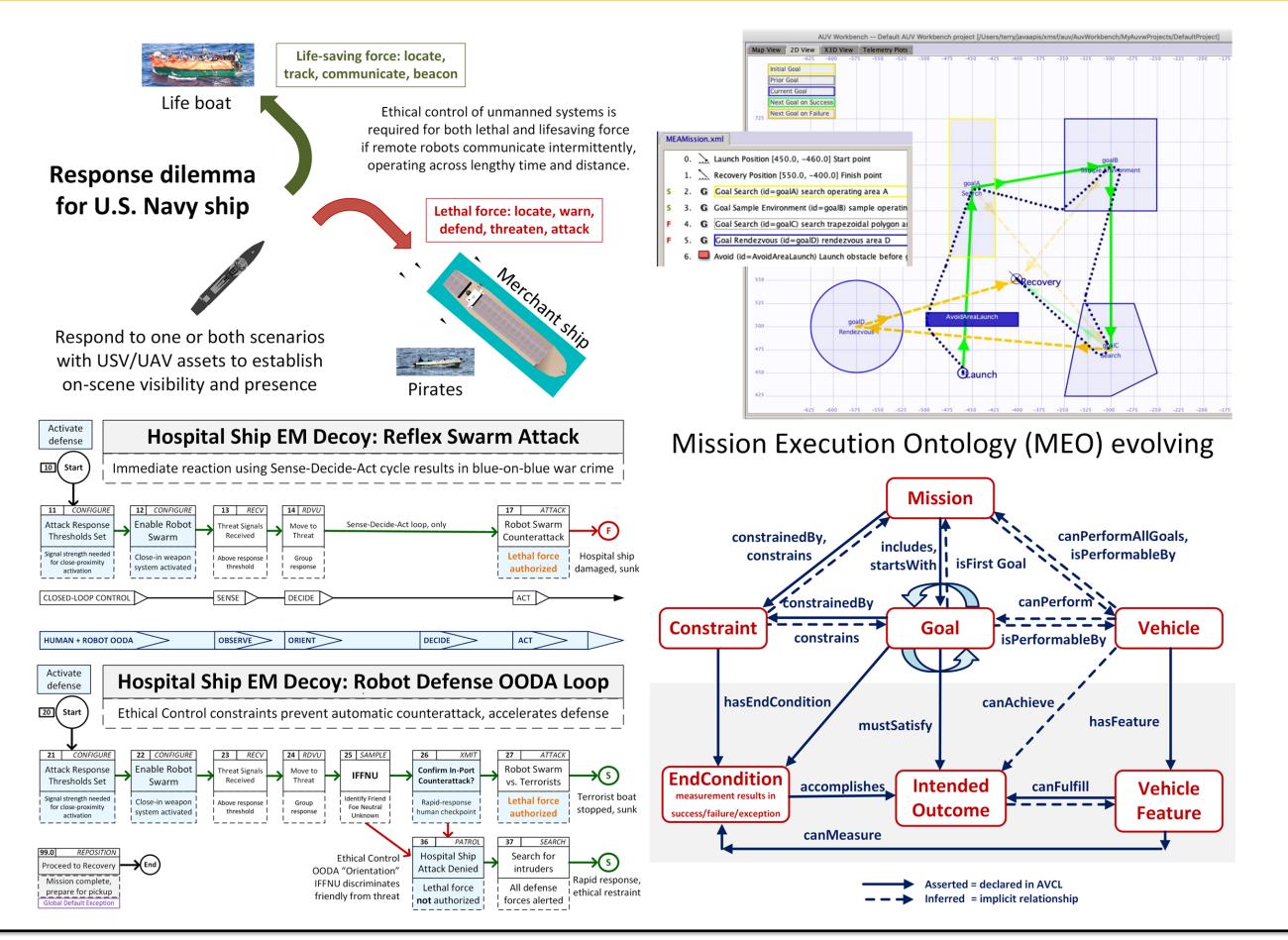


Calhoun is the Naval Postgraduate School's public access digital repository for research materials and institutional publications created by the NPS community. Calhoun is named for Professor of Mathematics Guy K. Calhoun, NPS's first appointed -- and published -- scholarly author.

> Dudley Knox Library / Naval Postgraduate School 411 Dyer Road / 1 University Circle Monterey, California USA 93943

http://www.nps.edu/library

Ethical Control of Unmanned Systems: Repeatable Mission **Evaluation Through Unmanned Systems Data Strategy**



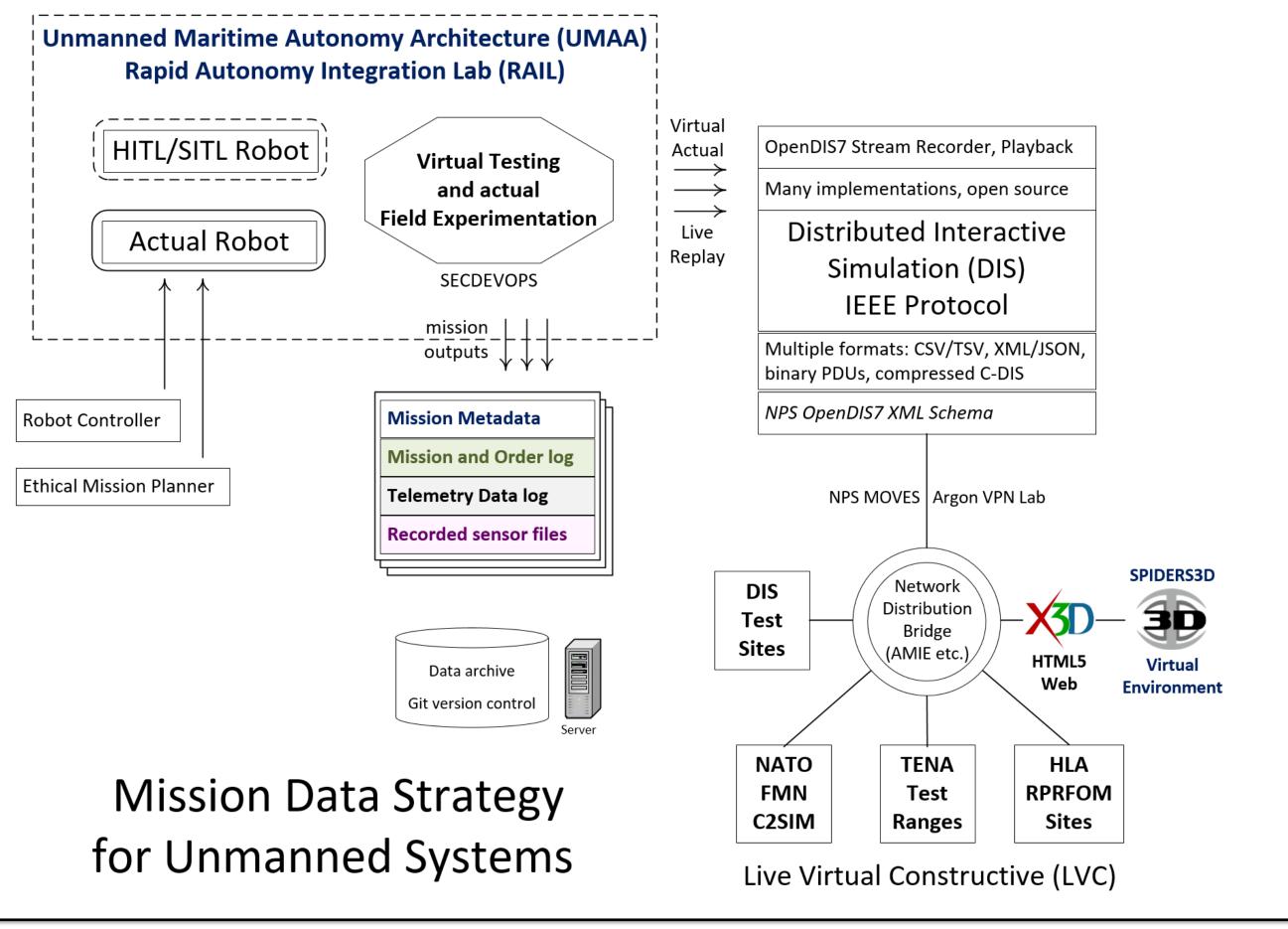
Why / Objectives

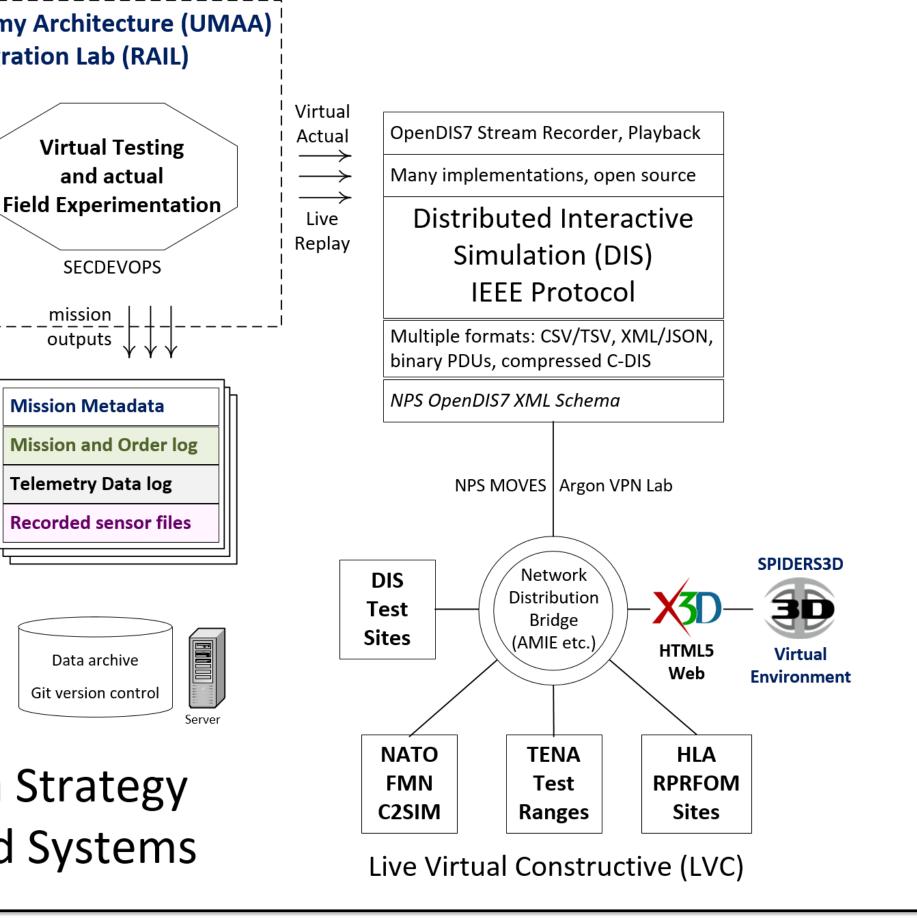
- Ethical control of unmanned systems can be accomplished through structured mission definitions that are trusted, consistently readable, validatable, repeatable and understandable by humans and robots.
- Orders must be lawful. Unmanned systems must behave ethically and comprehensibly if they are to support manned military units effectively.
- Well-structured mission orders can be tested and trusted to give human commanders confidence that offboard systems will do what they are told to do, and further will not do what they are forbidden to do.
- Demonstrate that no technological limitations exist that prevent applying the same kind of ethical constraints on robots and unmanned vehicles that already apply to humans, in lethal and life-saving scenarios.

https://savage.nps.edu/EthicalControl



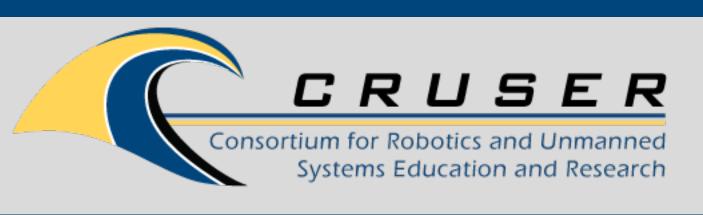
Building on Simulation, Experimentation





What / Deliverables

Principal Investigator: Don Brutzman Co-Investigator: Curtis Blais brutzman@nps.edu 1.831.656.2149 <u>clblais@nps.edu</u> 1.831.656.3215



 Unmanned Systems Data Strategy is fundamental need for progress, otherwise all experiments (real or virtual) are unrepeatable, transient.

Mission orders, metadata, track telemetry and sensor records together provide repeatable archiving of robot system testing for live-virtualconstructive (LVC) reuse, for replay live or rehearsal analysis.

• Update Mission Execution Ontology (MEO) concepts demonstrated in tests and simulation, building to perform field experimentation (FX).

• Define, simulate, and test combination of real-world goals and ethical constraints to robot mission tasking across set of canonical scenarios.

Illustrate how human-robot teams meet moral and legal requirements if deploying unmanned systems with potential for lethal, life-saving force.