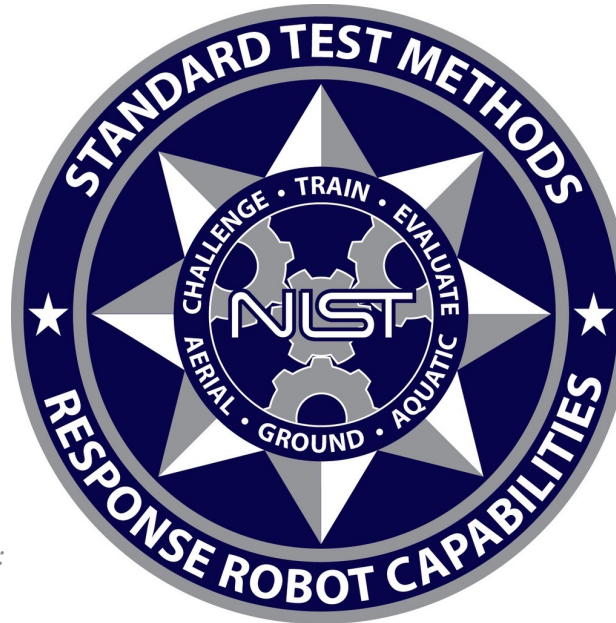


ASTM E54.09 Homeland Security Applications; Response Robots Aerial Tests: Introduction, Recent Events, and Use Case Examples

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Introduction

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Objective

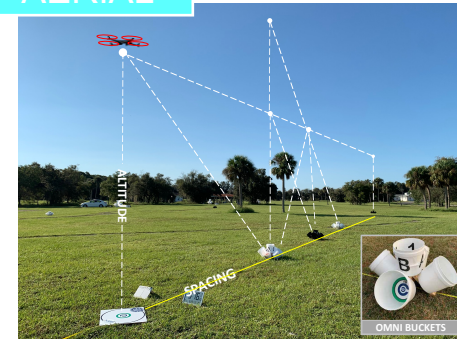
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Remotely operated robots, including ground, aerial, and aquatic systems, enable emergency responders to perform extremely hazardous tasks from safer stand-off distances.

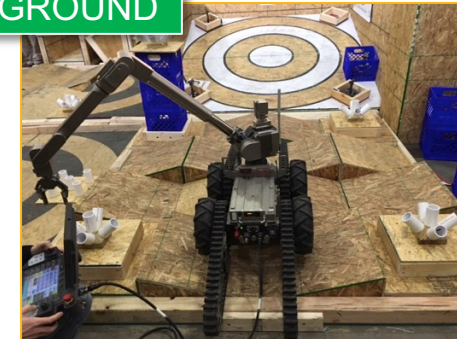
Standard test methods help researchers, manufacturers, and users objectively evaluate system capabilities to align with mission requirements.

We're developing the measurements and standards infrastructure necessary to *quantitatively evaluate and compare* robotic system capabilities and remote operator proficiency.

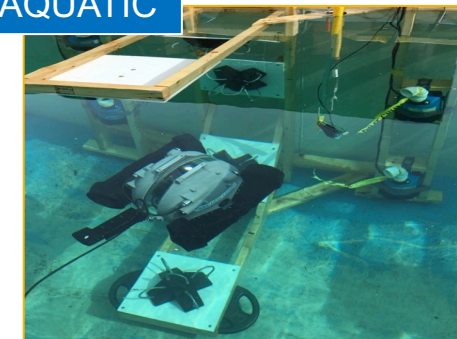
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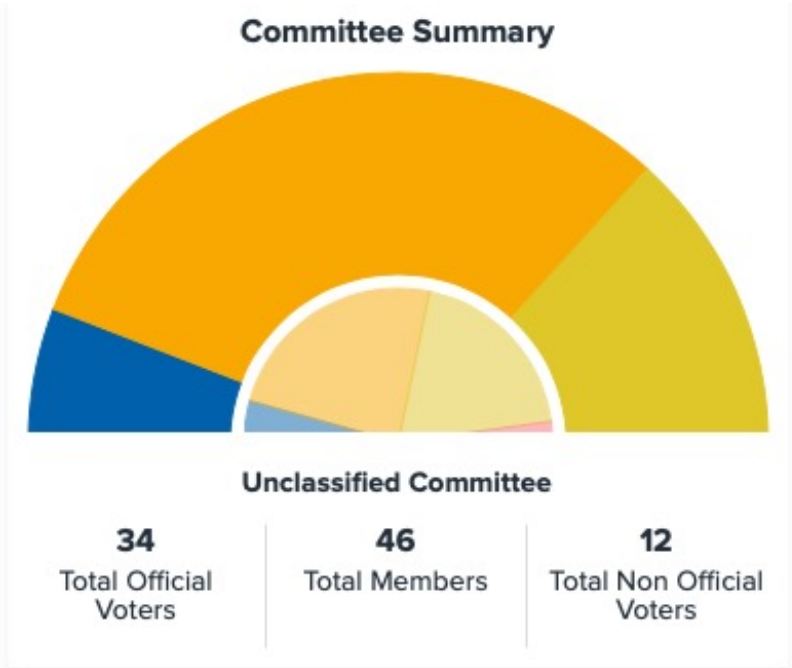
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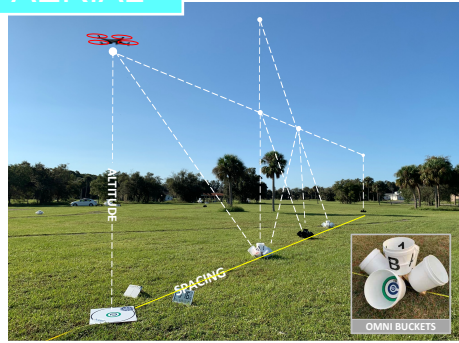
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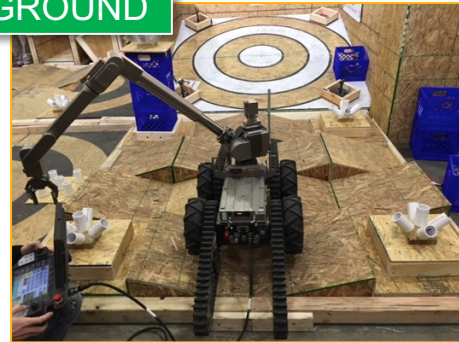


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● Consumer	0	0	0
● General Interest	9	9	18
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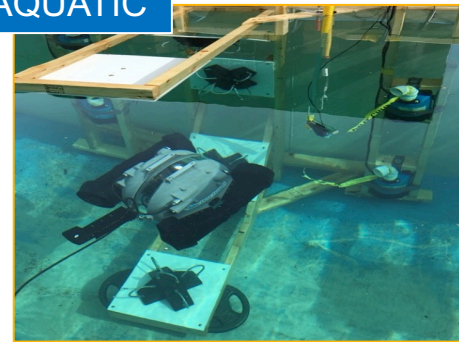
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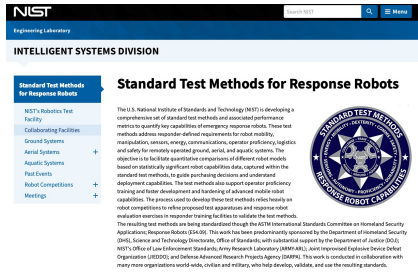
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Previous Meeting Presentations

Introduction

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[ASTM E54.09 Aerial Test Methods Introduction \(2021A\)](#)

[ASTM E54.09 Aerial Test Methods Sensing and Radio Comms \(2021A\)](#)

[ASTM E54.09 Aerial Test Methods Use Case Examples \(2021A\)](#)

[ASTM E54.09 Aquatic Tests Introduction \(v2021A\)](#)

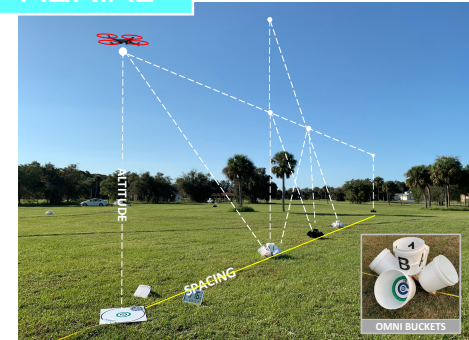
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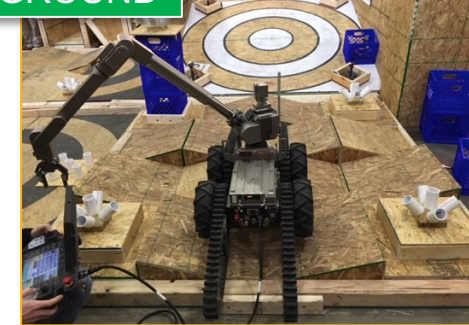
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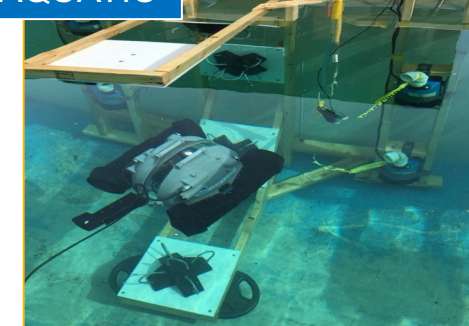
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GROUND



AQUATIC



30+ Aerial Drone Tests

Sensing

- WK58677 Visual Image Acuity
- WK58925 Visual Color Acuity
- WK58926 Visual Dynamic Range
- WK58927 Audio Speech Acuity
- WK58928 Thermal Image Acuity
- WK58929 Thermal Dynamic Range
- WK58930 Latency of Video and Control
- WK##### Point and Zoom Cameras
- WK58938 Map Wide Areas

Energy/Power

- WK58939 Endurance Range/Duration
- WK58940 Endurance Perch Time

OPEN Test Lane and Related Scenarios

- WK58931 Position
- WK58935 Traverse
- WK58932 Orbit
- WK58933 Spiral
- WK58934 Recon

OBSTRUCTED Test Lane and Related Scenarios

- Perch Alignments
- Wall Alignments
- Ground Alignments
- Alley Alignments
- Post Alignments

CONFINED Test Lane and Related Scenarios

- Perch Alignments
- Wall Alignments
- Ground Alignments
- Alley Alignments
- Post Alignments

Radio Communications:

- WK58942 Line-of-Sight Range
- WK58941 Non-Line-of-Sight Range
- WK##### Attenuated Range

Safety/Others

- WK##### Impact Forces
- WK58943 Lights and Sounds
- WK##### Deliver Packages

Agenda for Today

Introduction

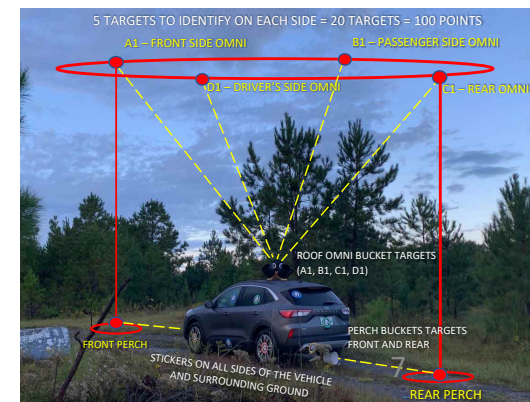
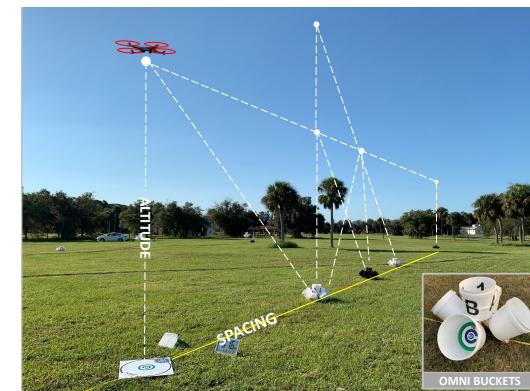
10:00 am EST Introduction, Recent Events, Use Case Examples

11:00 am EST Open Test Lane and Related Scenarios

12:00 pm EST Obstructed Test Lane and Related Scenarios

1:00 pm EST Sensor Test Lane, Radio Comms, Other Tests

2:00 pm EST Open Discussion



“Start Remote, Stay Remote?”

Safety | Capabilities | Proficiency

Mission Success = Robotic System Capabilities + Remote Operator Proficiency



“Start Remote, Stay Remote?”

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Break Glass Tasks
(VERTICAL REPETITIONS)



Conventional Systems

Bore Holes Tasks
(VERTICAL REPETITIONS)



Emerging Technologies

Measuring Performance: Search/Identify Objects

Safety | Capabilities | Proficiency

RAVINE SEARCH/IDENTIFICATION



URBAN SEARCH/IDENTIFICATION



TRANSPORTATION



CAR IDENTIFICATION/INSPECTION



ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION



ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION



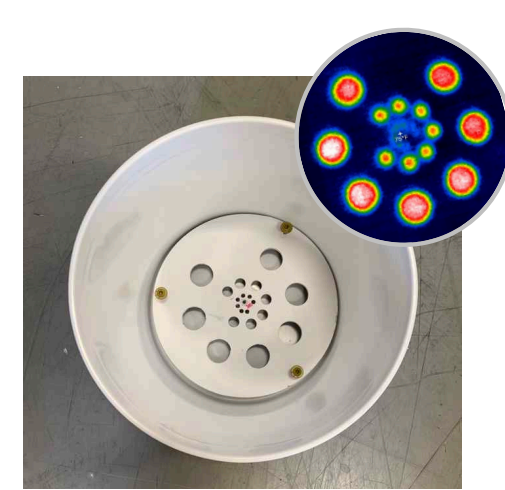
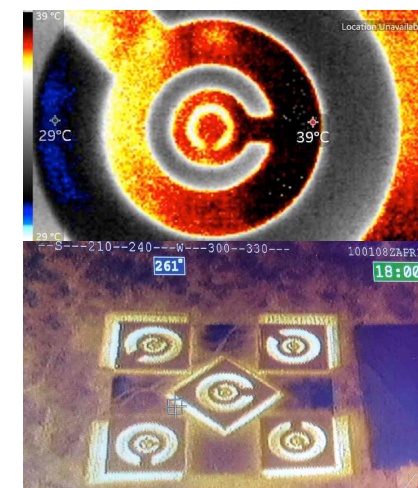
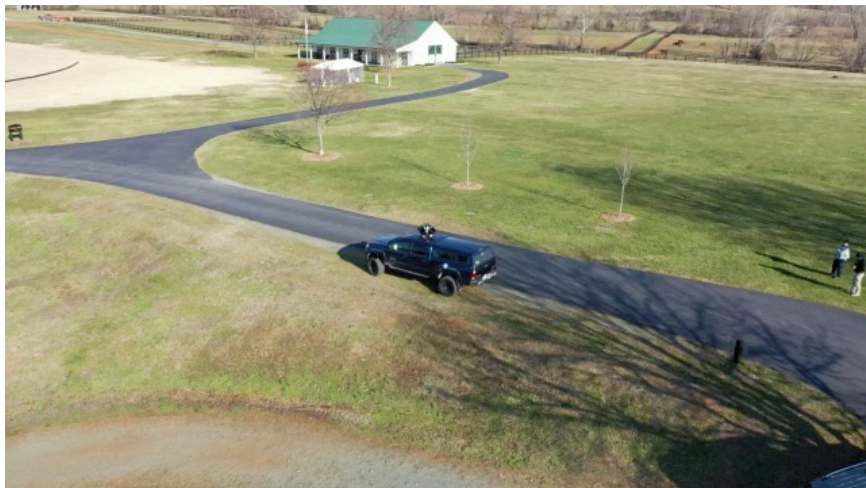
Measuring Performance: Search/Identify Objects

Safety | Capabilities | Proficiency



Measuring Performance: Search/Identify Objects

Safety | Capabilities | Proficiency



Measuring sUAS Performance: Close Proximity Inspection

Safety | Capabilities | Proficiency



Examples of Drones in the Class

Safety | Capabilities | Proficiency

Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS)

Weigh Less Than 25 kg (55 lbs)

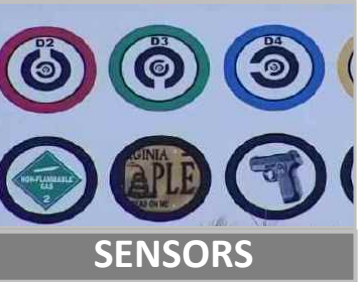
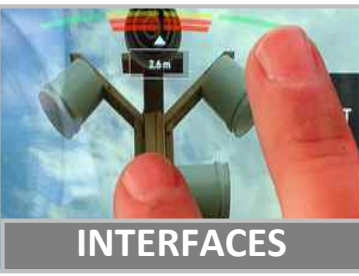


Initial focus is VTOL, but some tests apply to forward flying aircraft when scaled up to the appropriate orbit radius.

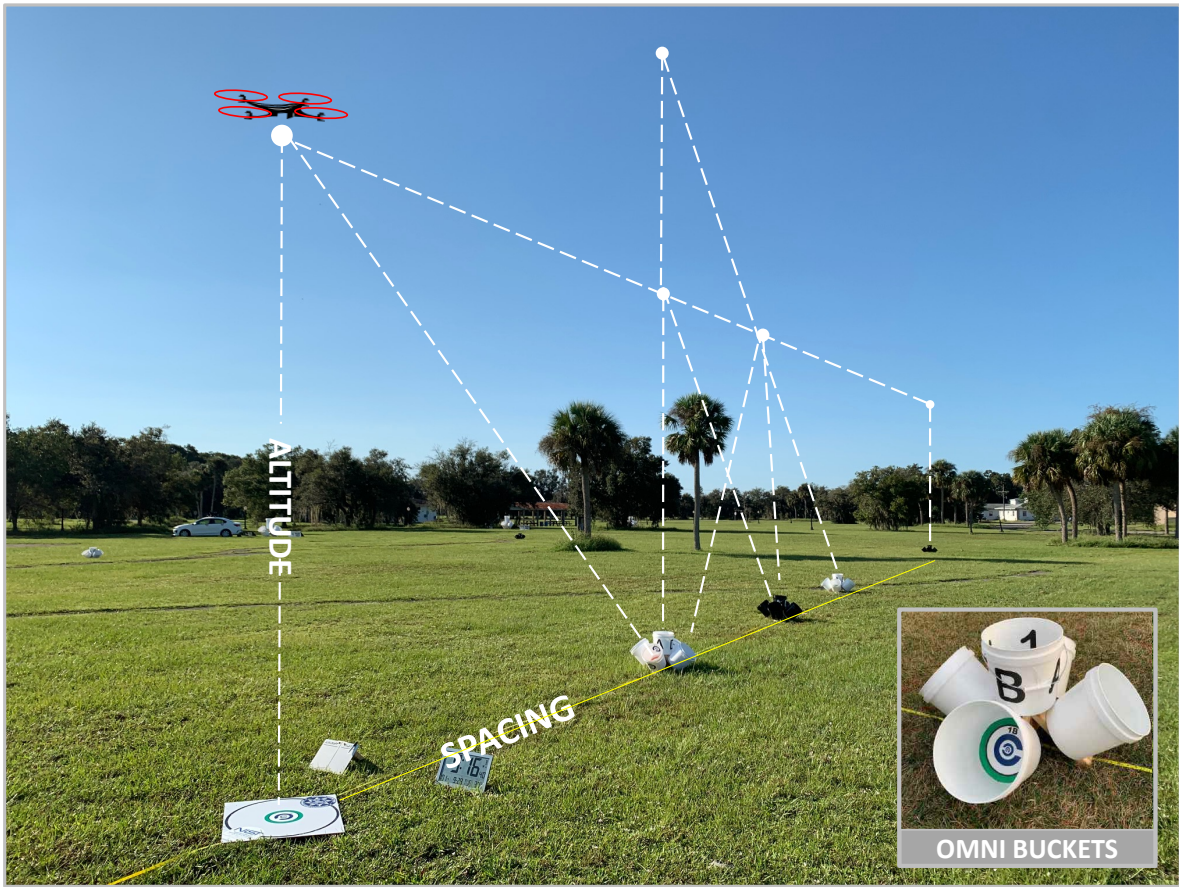
Open Test Lane

Aerial Tests

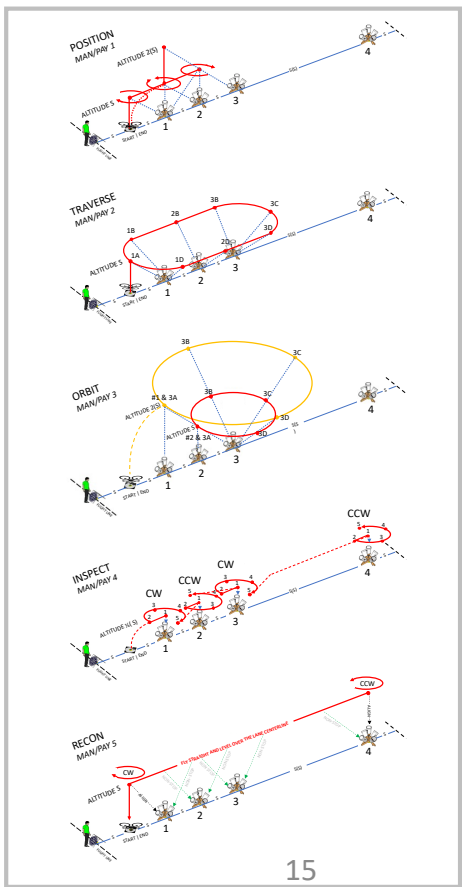
MEASURE & COMPARE



SCALABLE (ALTITUDE = SPACING)



5 FLIGHT PATHS



Obstructed Test Lane and Related Scenarios

Aerial Tests

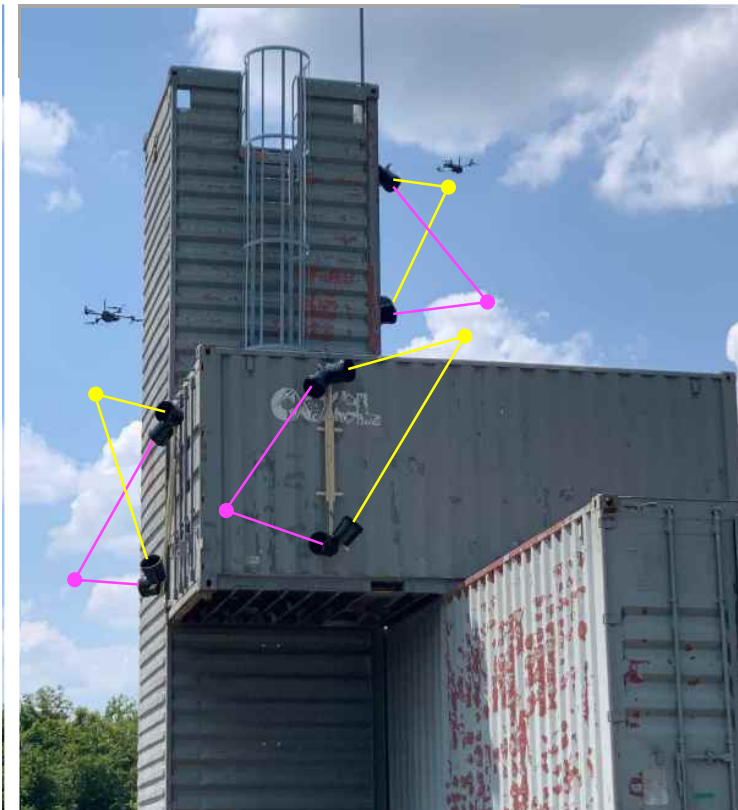
VEHICLE INSPECTION



OBJECT INSPECTION



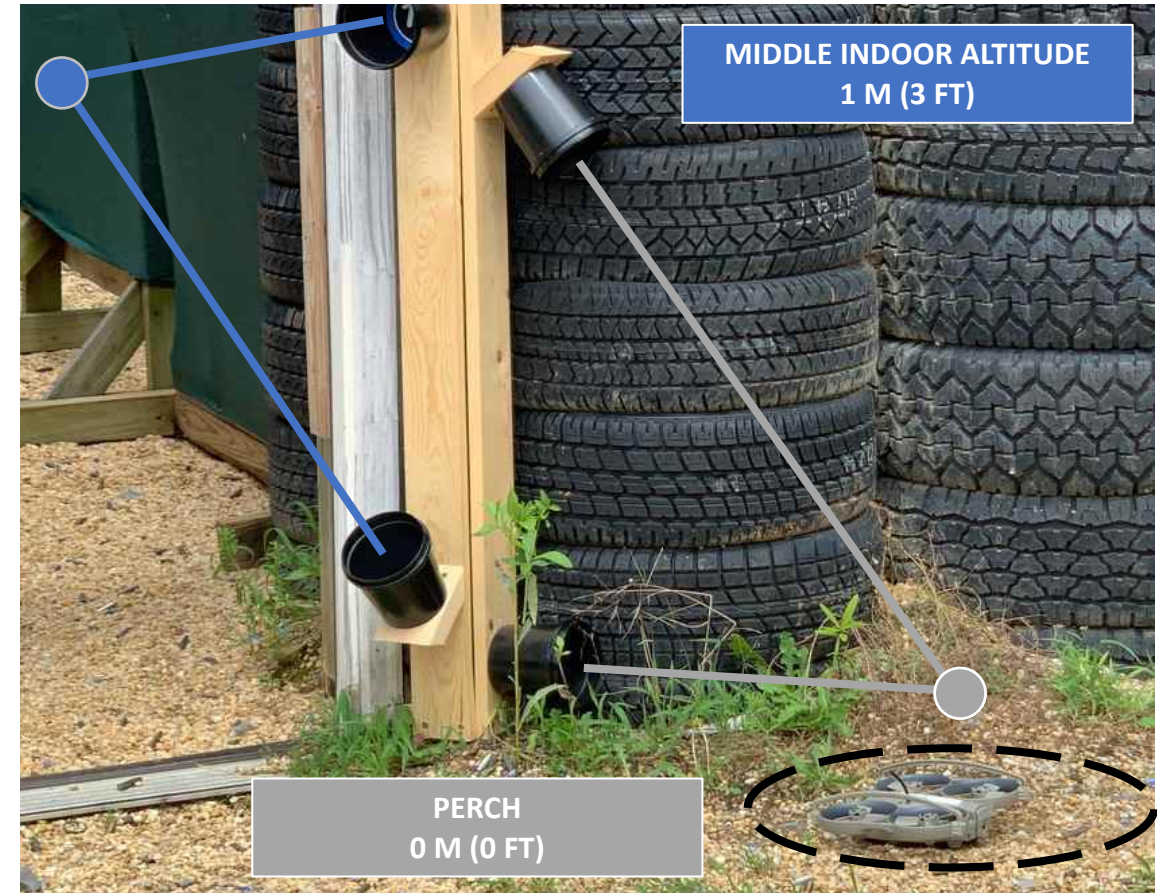
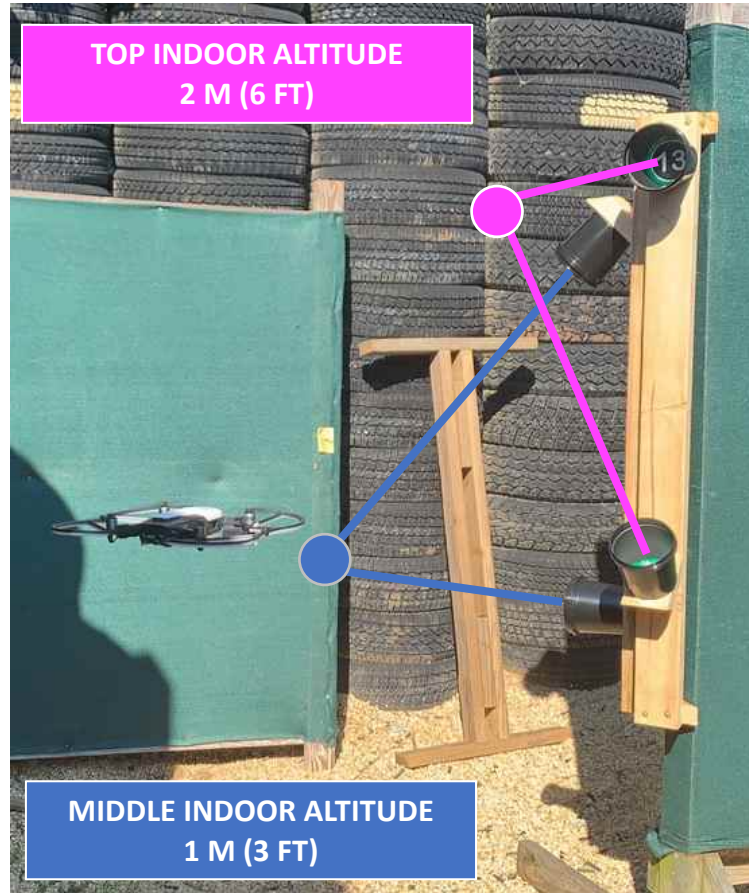
STRUCTURE INSPECTION



**DUAL BUCKET ALIGNMENTS GUIDE
PILOTS INTO SAFE POSITIONS
WITHIN PROXIMITY TO OBJECTS**

Confined Test Lane and Related Scenarios

Aerial Tests



Confined Test Lane and Related Scenarios

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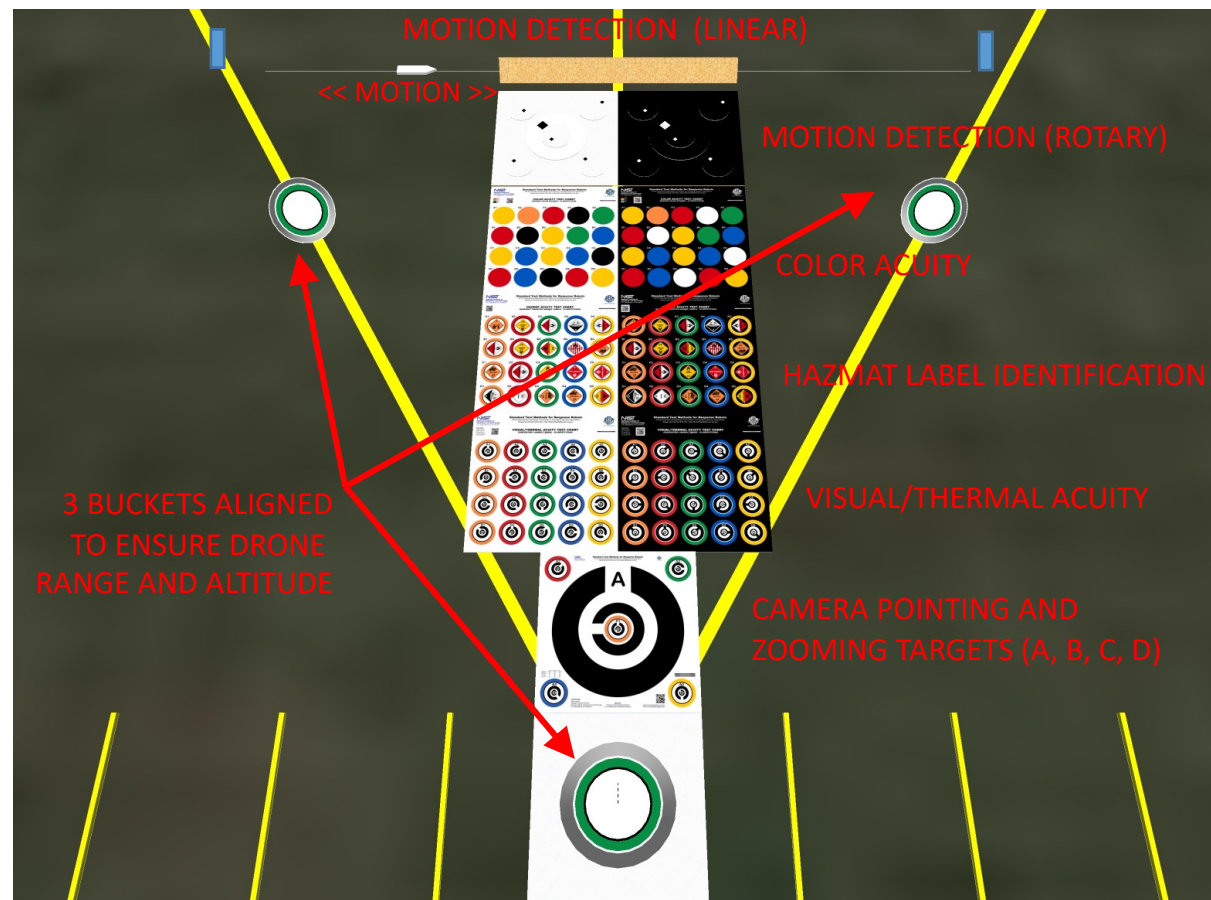
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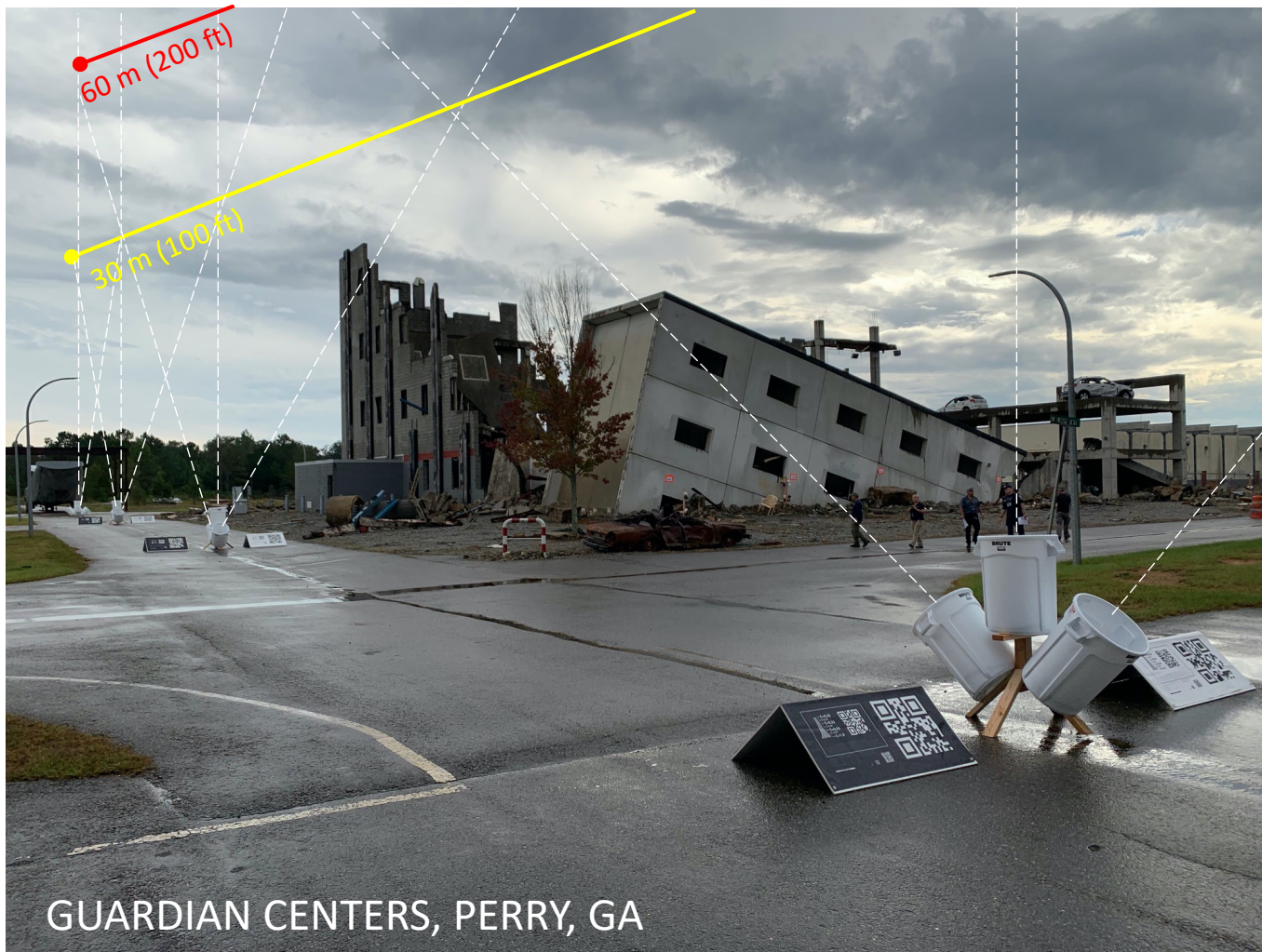
Sensor Test Lane

Aerial Tests



Sensor Test Lane

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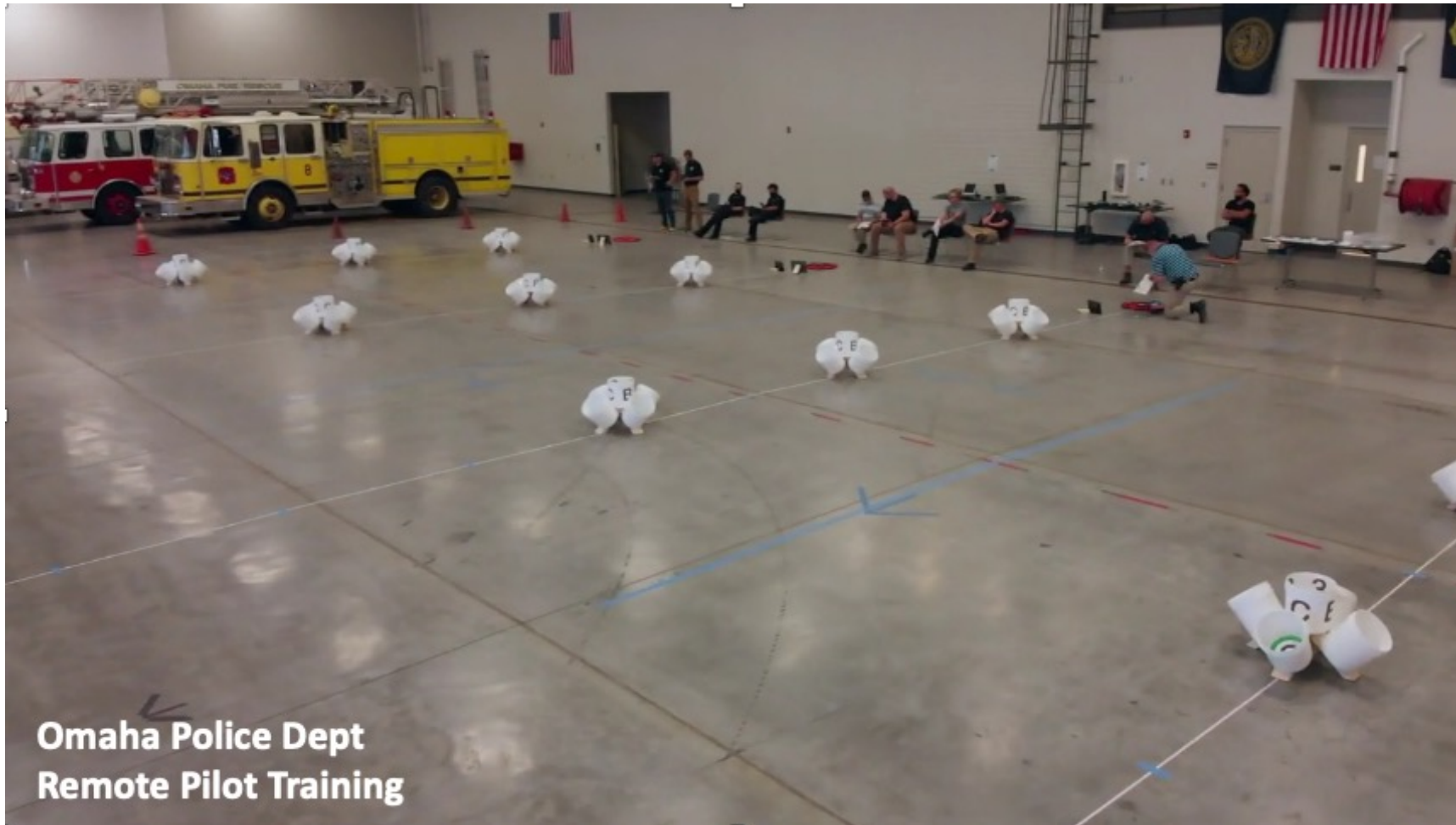
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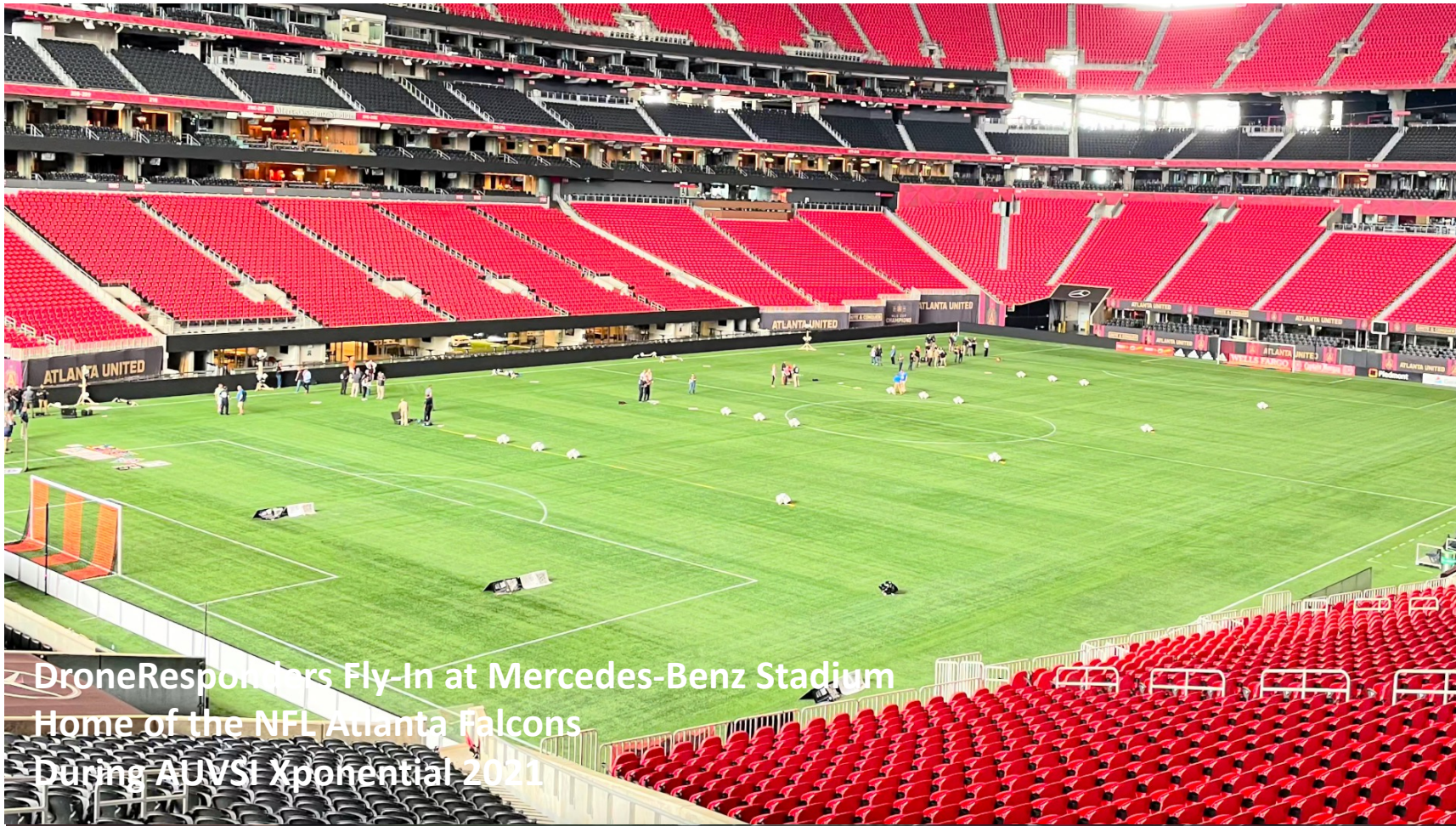
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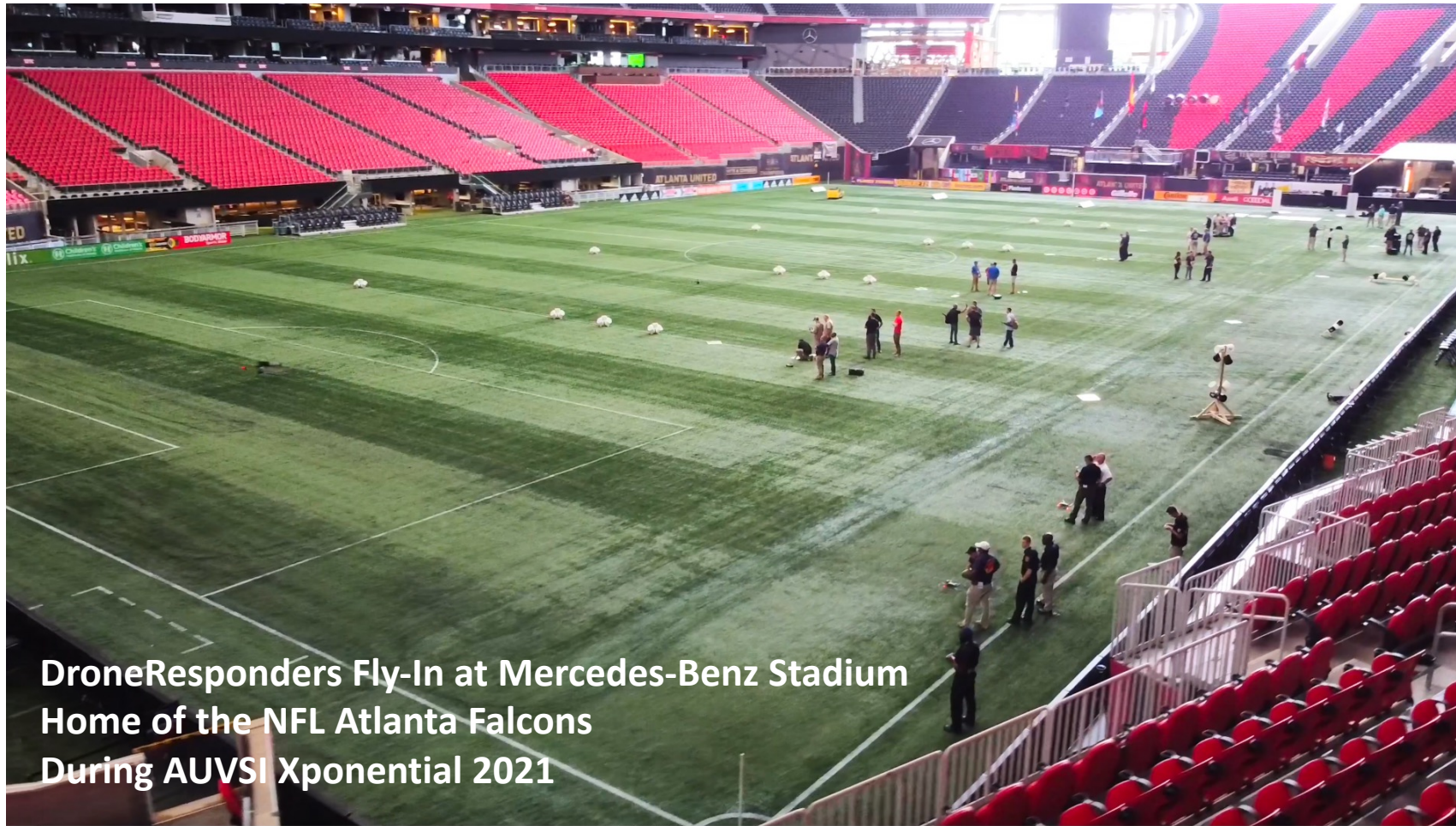


Drone Responders Fly-In at Mercedes-Benz Stadium
Home of the NFL Atlanta Falcons
During AUVSI Xponential 2021



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Quantifying Practical Skills Requirements

Focus Training and Evaluate Proficiency for Credentialing

“ASTM F38 Standard Guide for Training for Remote Pilot in Command of UAS Endorsement”

Qualitative Task Performance Levels:

4) PROFICIENT

- Can do the complete task quickly and accurately.
- Can tell or show others how to do the task.

3) COMPETENT

- Can do all parts of the task.
- Needs only a spot check of completed work.

2) PARTIALLY PROFICIENT

- Can do most parts of the task.
- Needs only help on hardest parts.

1) LIMITED

- Can do simple parts of task.
- Needs to be told or shown how to do most of task.

Quantitative Measures

Example Thresholds

80-100%



60-79%



40-59%



20-39%



Thresholds Set By Any Organization

Based on Airspace, Mission, Environment

Organization “A” Pass/Fail

Maybe populated, obstructed area, windy, night, etc.

Organization “B” Pass/Fail

Maybe populated, open area, windy, daytime, etc.

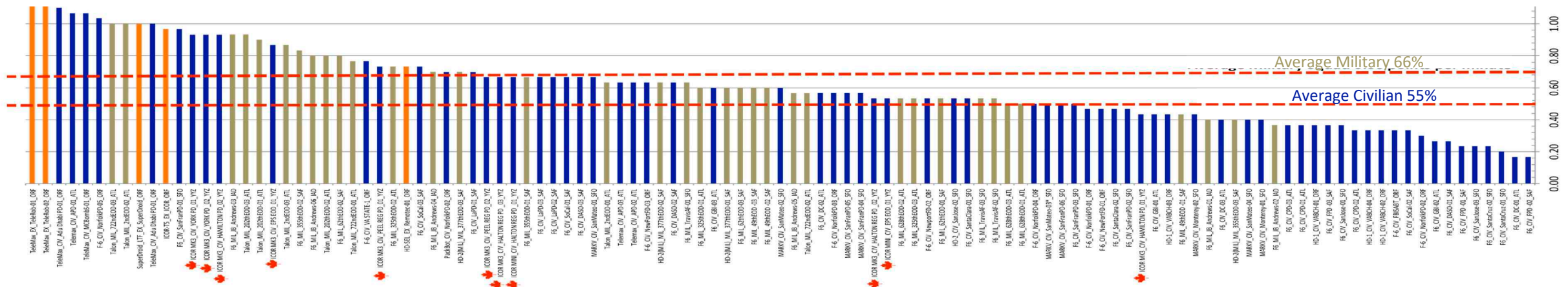
Organization “C” Pass/Fail

Maybe rural, open area, calm, daytime, etc.

Set Your Minimum Thresholds for Pass/Fail

Focus Training and Evaluate Proficiency for Credentialing

- Organizations can set their own threshold for pass/fail in these tests based on their tolerance for reliability and/or efficiency. Complete trials are assumed.
- Measure everybody repeatedly over time and graph the results to help people understand their strengths and weaknesses. Then set minimum thresholds relative to the average or “expert” scores. Or adopt other organization’s thresholds as a central credentialing reference.
- At deployment time, each organization needs to consider their airspace restrictions, environmental variables, and mission complexity (night ops, BVLOS, etc.) to select a pilot and aircraft that’s likely to succeed.



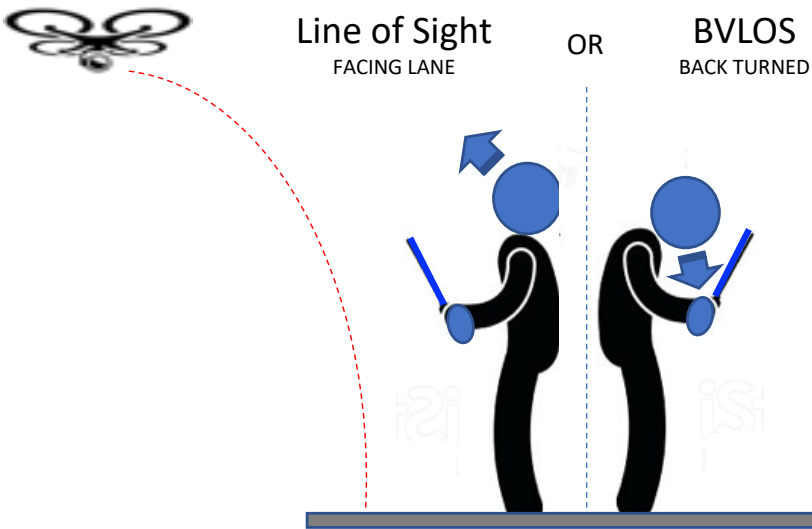
Example proficiency data shown from bomb squads in ground robot tests

Select Trial Settings for Different Flight Credentials

Aerial Tests

CREDENTIALS	Daylight/LOS	BVLOS	Night Ops
Standard Lane (Indoor or Outdoor)	Pilot's Eyes On (Available)	Pilot's Back Turned (Interface Only)	Lights Out, Buckets Lit
Embedded Scenario (Indoor or Outdoor)	Pilot's Eyes On (Available)	Pilot's Back Turned (Interface Only)	Lights Out, Buckets Lit

S:




Line of Sight
FACING LANE

OR

BVLOS
BACK TURNED

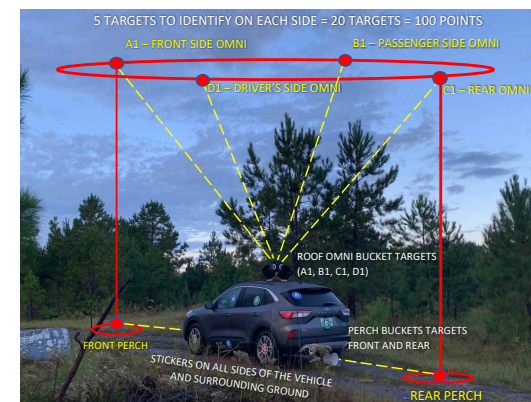
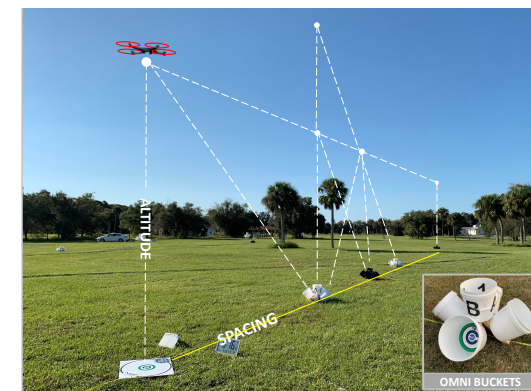
THE PILOT'S BACK TURNED TO THE LANE FORCES
RELIANCE ON THE INTERFACE
(VISUAL OBSERVER REQUIRED)



ILLUMINATED BUCKETS PROVIDE
POSITIONING AIDS LIKE STRUCTURE
WINDOWS OR STREET LIGHTS

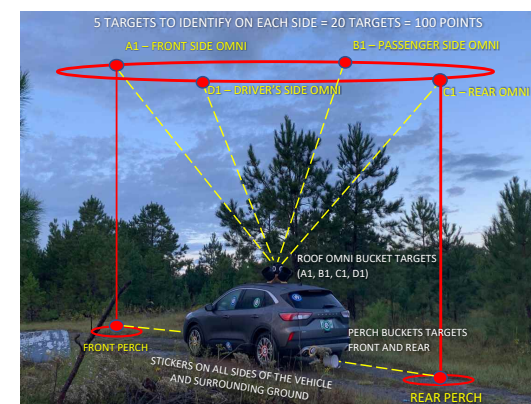
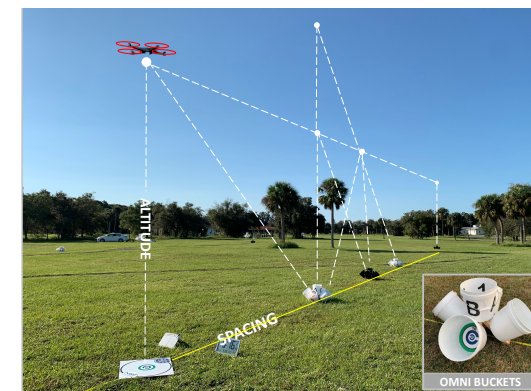
Example Use Cases

- **DHS/DOJ \$35M small drone procurement** uses our aerial tests to evaluate drones for emergency response operations, fire/arson investigation, and other applications. We conducted a series of drone evaluations at the Montgomery County Police Training Facility, MD.
- **FEMA's Civil Air Patrol (U.S. Air Force Auxiliary)** uses our tests to train and credential more than 1200 pilots across 52 air wings nationwide through FAA webinars and then APSA Proctor courses.
- **Airborne Public Safety Association (APSA)** hosts a nationwide series of “train the trainer” courses (3 day, 24-hour) using our Open Test Lane for credentialing. More than **250 certified Proctors** to date.
- **Border Patrol** uses our tests to support innovation by evaluating drones available on the market and distributed training across more than 1000 remote pilots.
- **U.S. Secret Service** uses our tests to evaluate tethered drone capabilities and conduct training.



Example Use Cases

- Drone Responders Public Safety UAS Alliance
- FAA Safety Training online course for the Open Test Lane and related scenarios.
- Law Enforcement Drone Association (LEDA)
- Embry-Riddle Worldwide University
- Public Safety Aviation Accreditation Commission (PSAAC) credentialing
- DOJ Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
- DOJ U.S. Marshals Service
- Texas Department of Public Safety statewide credentialing
- Colorado Department of Public Safety statewide credentialing
- Transport Canada (their FAA) considering nationwide credentialing of responders
- Several simulation environments for test lanes and scenarios.
- Dozens of state and local fire and police departments, international too!

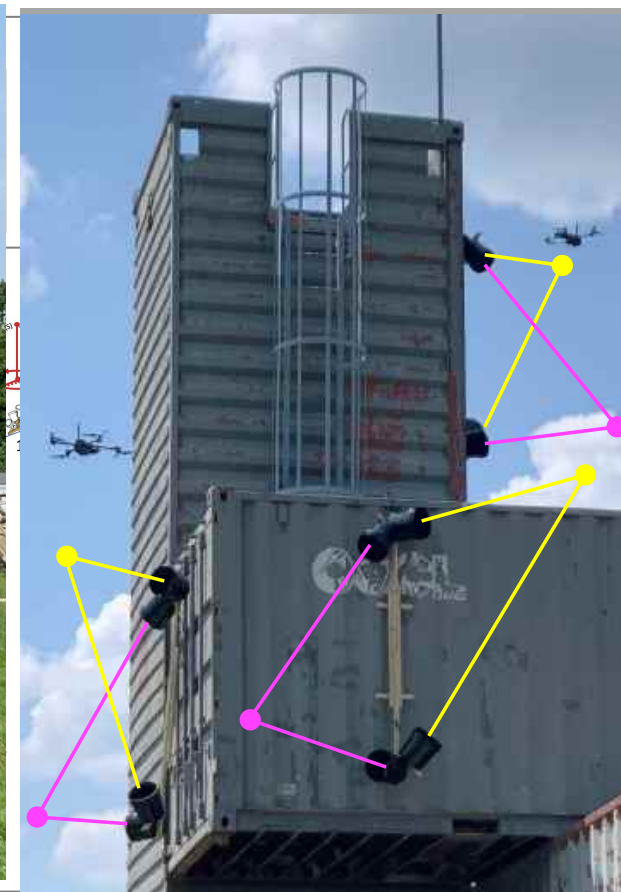


Recent Events and Use Cases

Civil Air Patrol Training and Credentialing

Aerial Tests

60,000 Subscribers – 2,036 sUAS – 1200 pilots – 52 Wings – CAPF 70-5U pilot certification



Airborne Public Safety Association (APSA) Train the Trainer Courses

Use Case Examples

- 250+ proctors certified to conduct Basic Proficiency Evaluations for Remote Pilots in the Open Test Lanes and scenarios
- 10 courses monthly distributed regionally.
- Roughly half the Civil Air Patrol wings credentialed.
- New advanced course starting to use the Open and Obstructed Test Lanes and Scenarios starting Feb. 2022.
 - [Alameda County \(Dublin\), CA | February 18-20, 2022](#)
 - [Burnet, TX | March 30-April 1, 2022](#)
 - [Creve Coeur, MO | October 7-9, 2022](#)
 - [Niceville, FL | October 27-29, 2022](#)

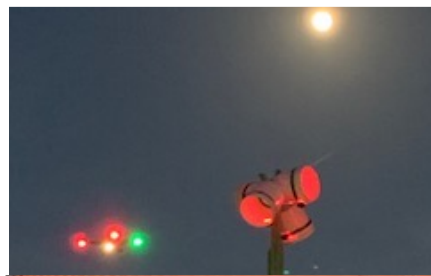


Texas Public Safety Robotics Summit 2021/2022

Use Case Examples

<https://www.txpsrobots.com>

MARCH 28-30, 2022 Reveille Peak Ranch, Burnet, TX



Unmanned Tactical Applications Conference (TAC), Guardian Centers, GA

See report at RobotTestMethods.nist.gov

Use Case Examples



Drone Responders Fly-In at NFL Atlanta Falcons Stadium, GA

Use Case Examples

140 regional responders and others during AUVSI Xponential 2021.

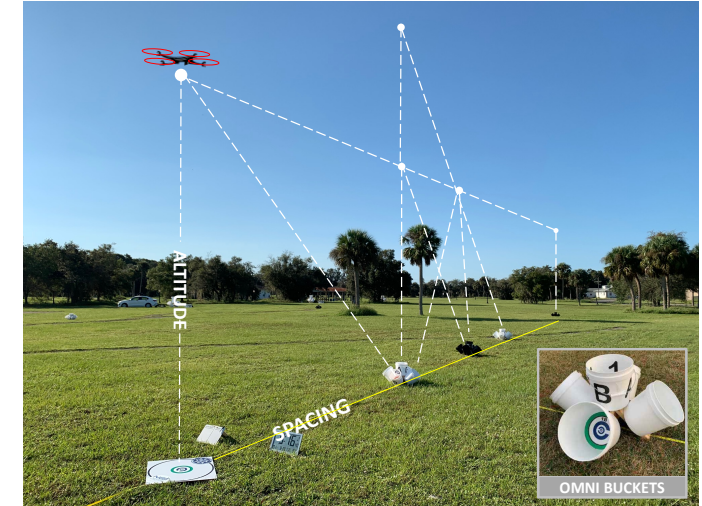
All apparatuses distributed to the responders after the event



DHS S&T Drone Evaluation, Ft. Meyers, FL

Use Case Examples

- Conducted by Dagar Technologies for DHS S&T.
- 40+ Regional responders participated
- Captured baseline proficiency with their existing aircraft.
- Then used NEW aircraft in the same tests.
 - Open Test Lanes and Scenarios
 - Obstructed Test Lanes and Scenarios
 - Sensor Test Lane
- Night operations too.



FAA Safety Team Online Course

Use Case Examples

[FAAST Course Pointer](#)

NIST sUAS Tests: Measuring Capabilities and Remote Pilot Proficiency **Topic: Self-Evaluation, Measuring Proficiency**

FAAsafety.gov
Course Code: ALC-716

INTRODUCTION

This course is an Introduction to the [Standard Test Methods for Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems \(sUAS\)](#). The U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is leading an international effort to develop dozens of standard test methods for small unmanned aircraft systems. These tests can be used to quantitatively evaluate and compare various system capabilities and remote pilot proficiency no matter where or when the testing occurs. These tests are inexpensive, easy to fabricate, and simple to conduct so organizations use them worldwide to guide procurements, focus training, and measure proficiency for credentialing.

Texas Dept. of Public Safety Statewide Credentialing

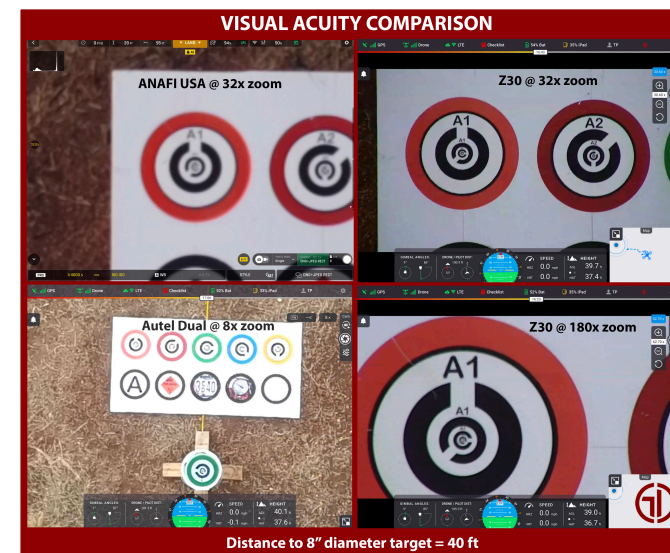
Use Case Examples

Pilots: 100+
Aircraft: 100+
Annual Flights: 10,000+
Main focus: Crash/crime scene reconstruction

News from Texas Legislature

- Training
- Software
- Adoption of NIST tests

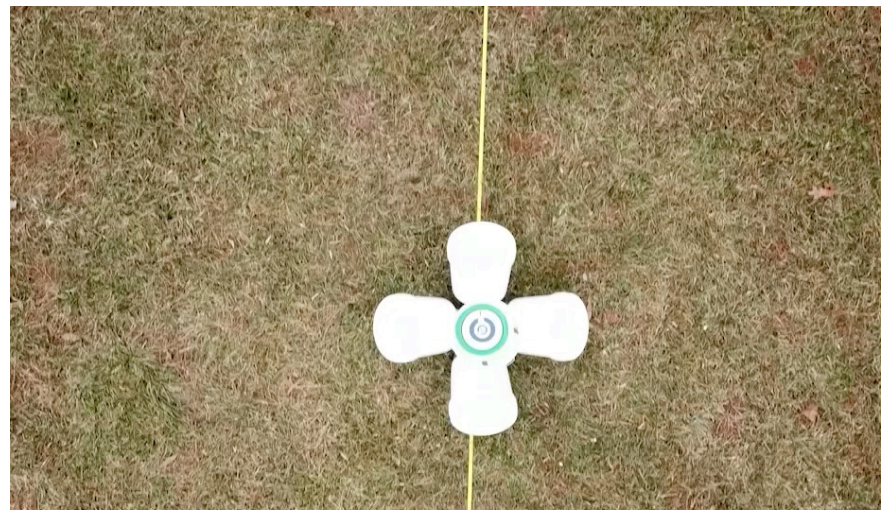
Reveille Peak Ranch Test Facility and Statewide Use Cases by Local Organizations (next pages)



Simulated Flight Environments

Use Case Examples

DJI Drone
Simulator
Demo
Version



Zephyr Drone
Simulator
Little Arms Studio &
Clemson Univ.

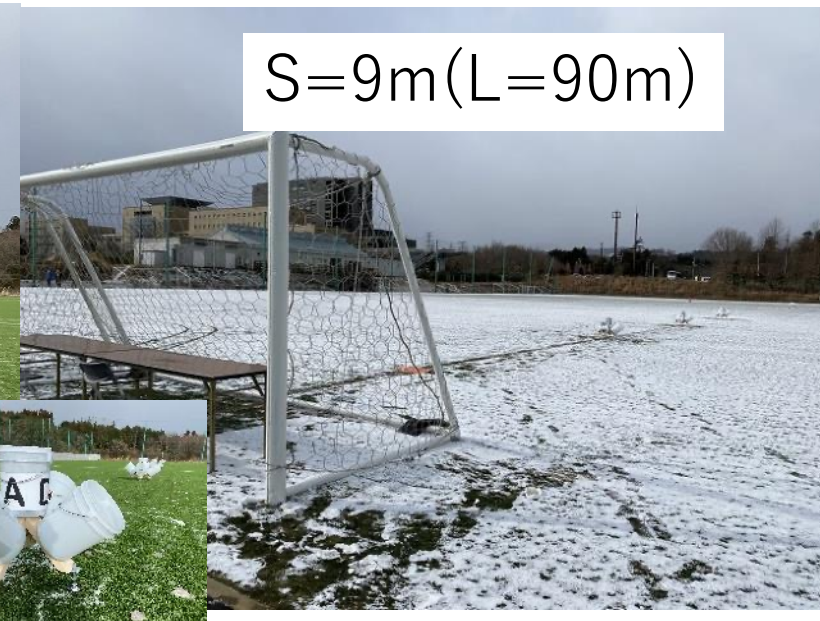
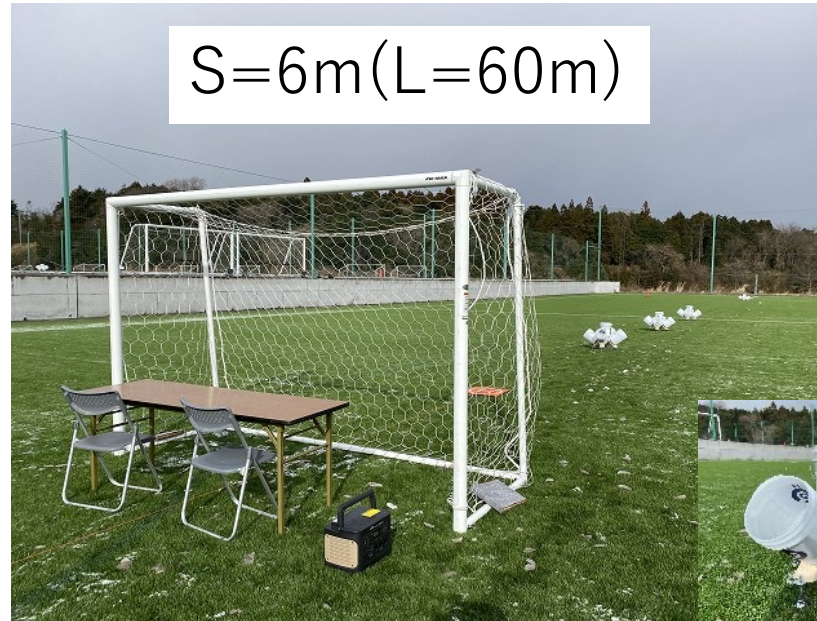
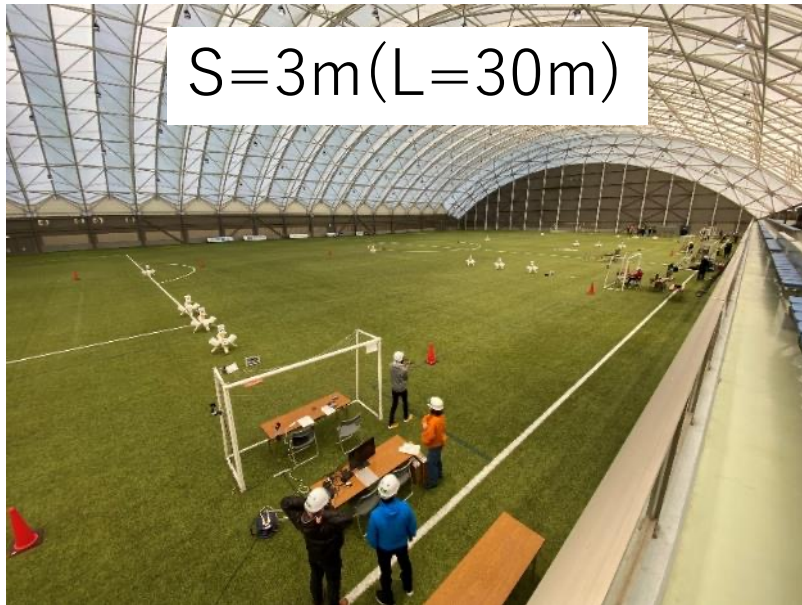


Japanese Validation Exercises

Use Case Examples

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Canadian CETA and CERRA Training/Credentialing

Use Case Examples

Lead Agencies;

CETA- Canadian Explosives Technicians Association

CERRA- Canadian Emergency Responders Robotics Association

Primary Locations:

Pearson International Airport (Toronto Canada)

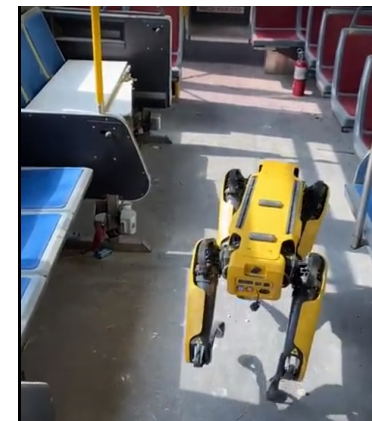
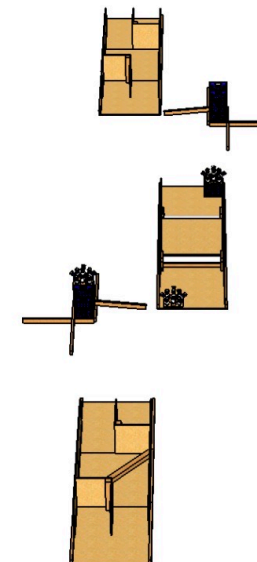
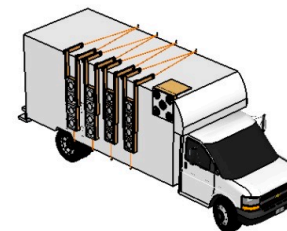
Grimsby Regional Training Centre (Grimsby, Ontario , Canada)

CETA

CETA is the national association for police/military/government agencies tasked with response to explosives , chemical, biological, and radiological incidents in Canada. Current projects include EOD Standard training methods for both robots and bomb techs deployed in bomb suits.

CERRA

Spring 2020 established with focus on the public safety deployment of ground, air, water based robotics. Membership is open to any current or former public safety member or agency or any supporting government agency with an interest in response robots.



OLDER EVENTS

Validation Exercises

Committee Update

Color Key: **Ground** **Aerial** **Aquatic** **Multiple** **Standards**

- 2021.10 Unmanned Tactical Applications Conference, Guardian Center, Georgia (3 days)
- 2021.10 Law Enforcement Drone Association Conference, Bend, Oregon (3 days)
- 2021.09 DHS sUAS Assessment, Ft. Meyers, FL (5 days)
- 2021.08 FAA Safety Team Online Course (1 hour, quiz, certificate)
- 2021.08 AUVSI Xponential with DroneResponders Fly-In at Merceded Benz Stadium (3 days)
- 2021.08 Civil Air Patrol Advanced Training, Ft. Atterbury, Indiana (3 days)
- 2021.08 Eastern Regional Robot Rodeo, NAVEODTECHDIV, Indianhead, MD (3 days)
- 2021.06 RoboCupRescue Robot Competition – Remote Video Trials (months)
- 2021.06 ASTM E54.09 Response Robots Meeting, Online Only

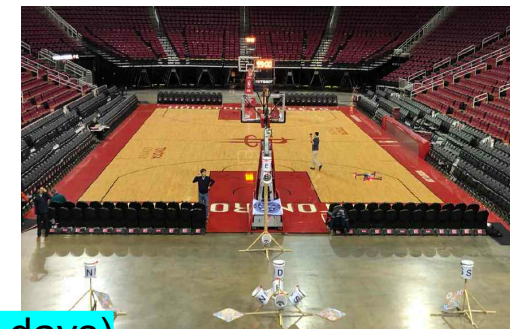


Validation Exercises

Committee Update

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2019 Host: Houston Fire Dept



2018 Host: San Diego Fire Dept



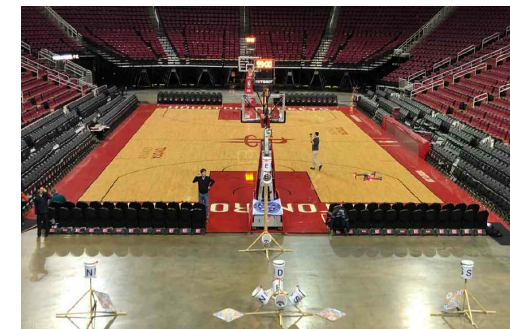
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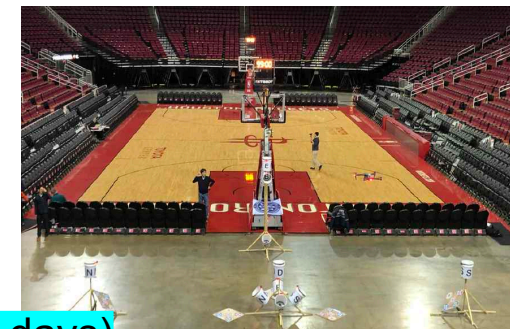
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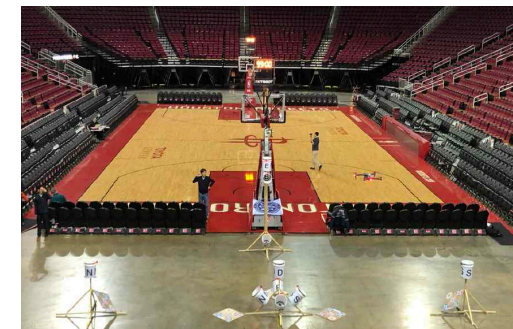
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- 2019.05 Western Regional Robot Rodeo, Sandia/Kirtland, Albuquerque, NM (5 days)
- 2019.05 Canadian Police College Training Exercise, London, ON Canada (7 days)
- 2019.04 Thermite RS2 firefighting robot capabilities evaluation (1 day)
- 2019.04 Army Tank Automotive Research and Development facility fabrication (remote)
- 2019.04 Fire Dept Training Conference (FDIC), Indianapolis, IN (3 days)
- 2019.04 Guardian Center Training, Perry, GA (2 days remote)
- 2019.04 Reveille Ranch Calibration, Texas Dept of Public Safety, Burnet, TX (2 days)
- 2019.04 InstantEye UAS capabilities evaluation, NIST (3 days)
- 2019.03 ASTM F38 standard balloted referencing 6 of our aerial test methods
- 2019.03 Navy Explosive Ordinance Disposal Tech Division facility fabrication (remote)
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California: Los Angeles CITY Fire Dept.

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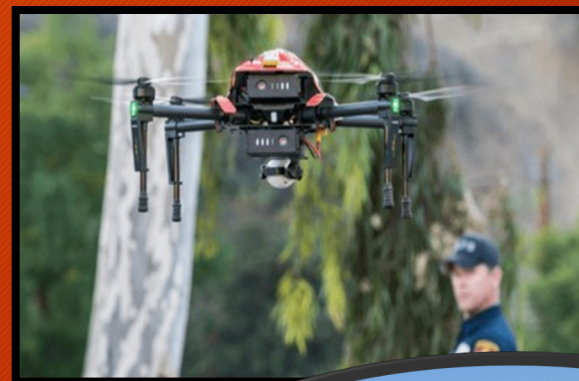




Los Angeles *CITY* Fire Department Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Program

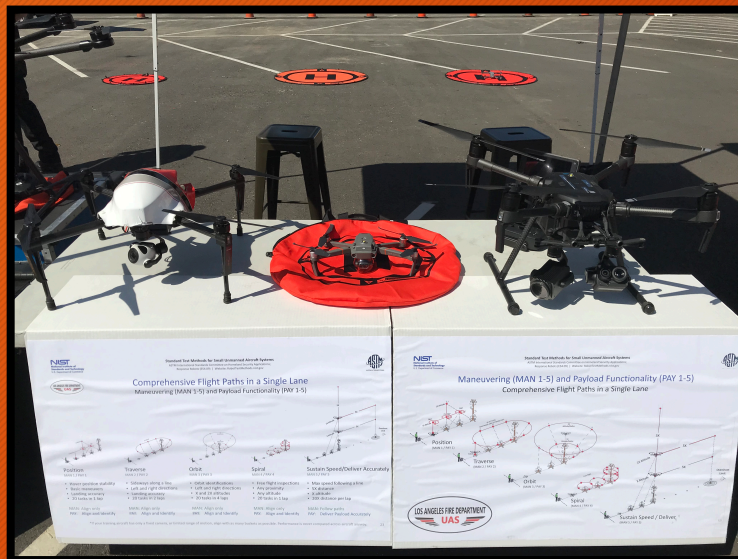


- UAS Program approved by LA City Council, 2017
- Established to fight fires, improve efficiency of training, respond to high risk incidents
- Developed UAS applications for:
 - Brush Area Hazards inspections
 - Brush Fire Mapping
 - Thermal Hotspot Identification - assisting firefighters to identify and extinguish active fires
 - HAZMAT, Urban Search and Rescue, and Swift Water Operations
 - Situational Awareness - video-streaming to Emergency Operations Center for large scale events





Public Safety UAS Standardization with NIST Aerial Test Methods



HOW LAFD uses NIST Aerial Test Methods:

- Basic Evaluation Standards to objectively certify LAFD Basic Remote Pilots
 - Recognized by FAA and NFPA as recommended evaluation tool
- Scalable to evaluate advanced procedures and application
- Practical to evaluate equipment and perform Functional Check Flights (FCF)



Japan: International Rescue System Institute

Use Case Examples



ASTM E54.09

Status report on sUAV-STM evaluation excercise in Japan

4th Feb. 2021

Purpose of this paper

To share the results of sUAV-STM evaluation exercise in Japan (Nagaoka, Niigata) held on 25th-26th Jan. 2021



Summary

Purpose : To identify the issues on the application of **NIST sUAV-STM** in Japan

Date : Jan. 25 - 26th 2021

Location : Nagaoka / Niigata, Japan

Participants : Pilot 11 , Proctor 6

Tasks : Basic / Position & Traverse (MAN only, 2-Lap each)

Lane : 4 lanes (simultaneous flight)

For the COVID-19 countermeasure;

Reduced number of the on-site
Participants by,

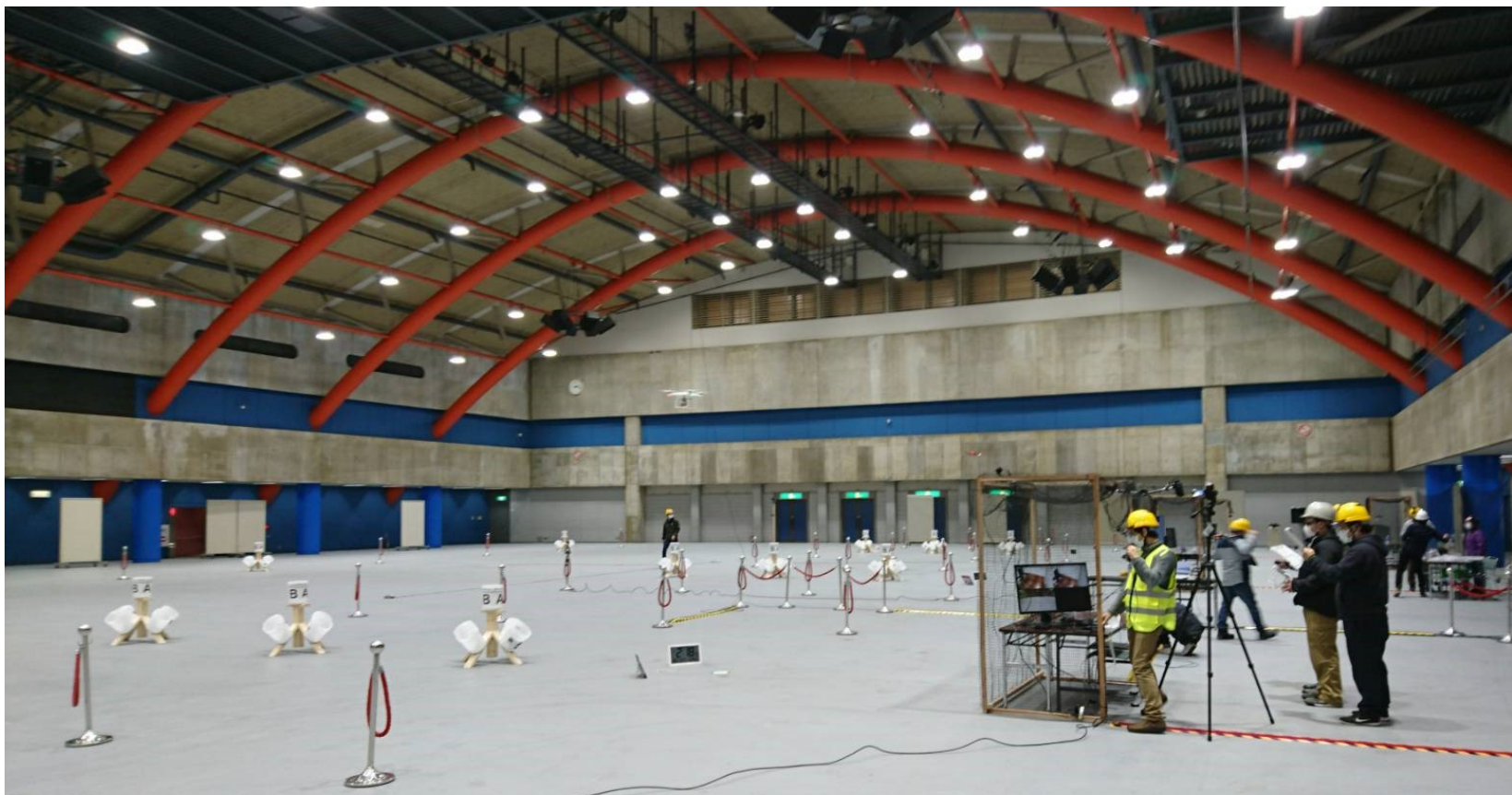
- ✓ YouTube Live distribution
- ✓ Independent 3-event repeated
for 3 groups



	Day 1	Day2
9:30 -	Preparation	Group B (4 lanes) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Briefing- Exercise (1 hr.)- Flight- Debriefing
13:30 -	Group A (3 lanes) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Briefing- Exercise(1 hr.)- Flight	Group C (4 lanes) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Briefing- Exercise(1 hr.)- Flight
-16:30	- Debriefing	- Debriefing
-19:00		Cleanup

Summary

■ Open spaces for 4 lanes



Total 11 pilots flew the sUAV without GPS on 4 lanes in 2 days.

Summary

■ Safe Flight Booth

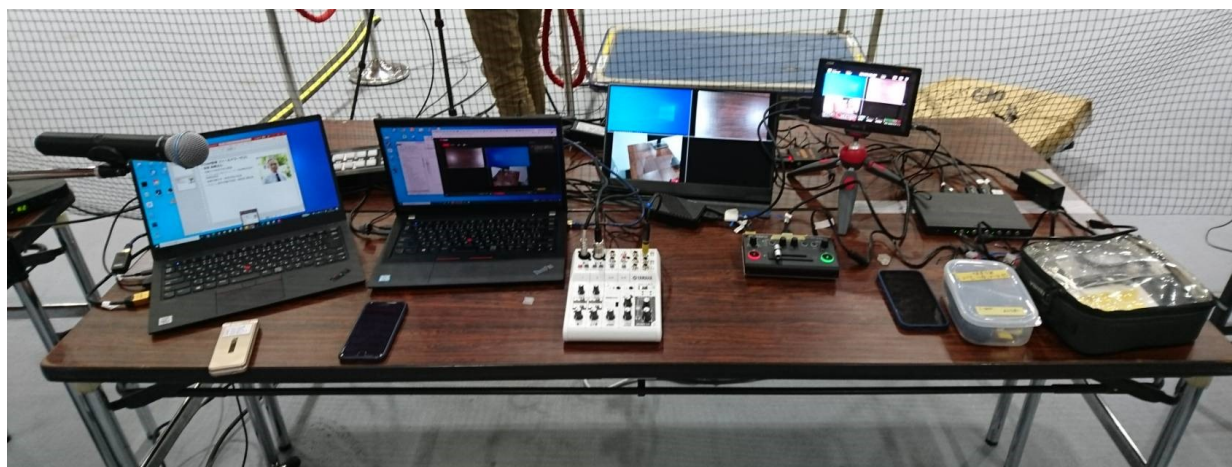
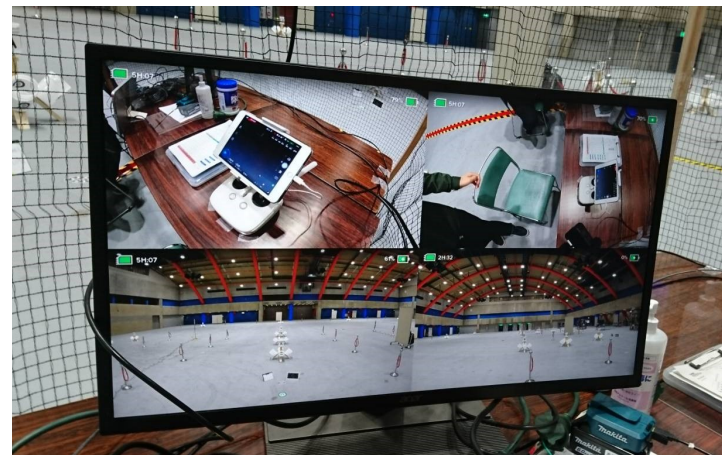


Left : Pilot with camera on his helmet for video distribution by YouTube.

Right : Visual Observer watching the large monitor to keep the Social Distance with the pilot

Summary

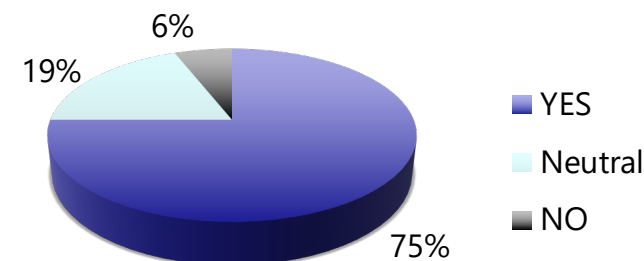
■ Cameras and Video distribution system



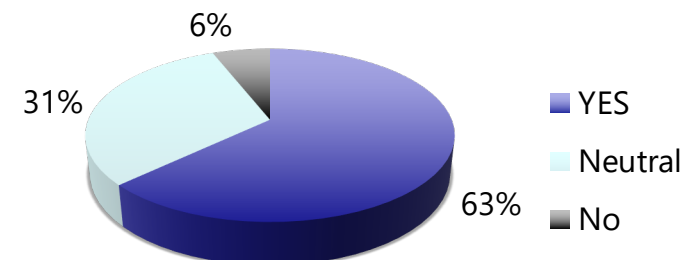
■ Major Results

Overall, the participants' comments are positive for applying the NIST sUAV-STM into Japan.

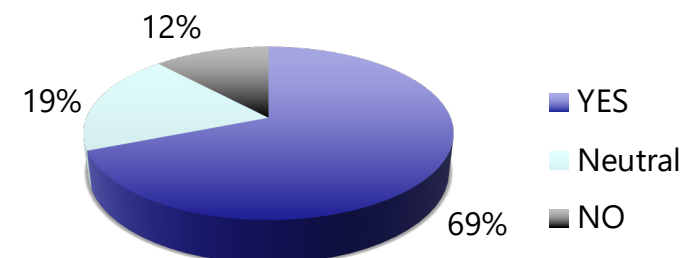
Q Is the sUAV-STM easy to understand ?



Q Is the sUAV-STM effective method for evaluating the PERFORMANCE OF sUAV?



Q Is the sUAV-STM effective method for evaluating the PERFORMANCE OF PILOTS?



■ Results

Major comments

The targets shown on the Monitor are too small to judge the alignment. Larger monitors have advantages for getting better scores, which is not fair.



expected

actual

The size of monitor and/or the size of the targets shown on the monitor should be checked in advance.

■ Results

Major comments

It is important to record the detail of the sUAV specifications & pilots' experiences, since those "conditions" drives the results of "man-machine integrated performance."



Following information should be recorded on the evaluation form.

[Pilot info]

- Flight hours
- Type of sUAV business (surveyor etc.)
- BVLOS flight experiences
- Major operation is Auto or Manual
- STM experiences
- normally 1 person flight (both of maneuvering and camera operations) or 2-person operation (Camera operation is done by another person)

[sUAV info]

- Visual sensor On / Off (P-mode flight or A-mode flight etc.)
- with or without Camera Zoom
- Size of Monitor
- Size of Target view (Green Circle) shown on the monitor
- Velocity of Camera Tilt control
- Is the sUAV pilot's familiar vehicle or the one flew for the first time today.

■ Discussions

One of the major debriefing discussion is the “allowable navigation by proctor for the pilot during flight.”

During our event, we allowed the proctors to give some “words of guide” such as “ next, go to 2, forward ” “next, camera tilt down for 2A” to the pilot. Some proctors gave the pilots a “ navigation for smooth flight and camera shooting” which may lead better score. On the other hand, some proctors might give some “waiting-time to the pilot” during recording on the form, which makes the pilots’ score worse.

These navigations should be standardized and proctors should be trained .

Issues and analysis

■ Other topics

For the better understanding of NIST Score Form, Japanese-version was used for participants temporarily.

Traverse - 移動
MAN 2 | PAY 2

レーン間隔: 3m, 5m, 10m, その他 (m)

照明の状況: 太陽光 1000+ Lx, 電灯 300+ Lx, 採光なし < 1 Lx

手順 | POSITION

0	スタート地点で時計を撮影し、上昇
1	スタート地点の高さ 1S でホバー
2	(上からみて) 時計回りで機体を上の図の様に
3	
4	
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9	
10	着陸地点の中央へ降下
11	反対回り
12	スタート地点の高さ 1S でホバー
13	(上からみて) 反時計回りで機体を上の図の様に
14	
15	
16	
17	
18	
19	
20	着陸地点の中央へ降下

観台側を見て中央に着陸 → 時計の撮影 → このLapの終了

評価を中断した場合には記録全体に斜め線を引いて無効とし、右の理由に○をつける。: 装置 落下 境界へ到達 安全上の理由

Position - 位置
MAN 1 | PAY 1

レーン間隔: 3m, 5m, 10m, その他 (m)

照明の状況: 太陽光 1000+ Lx, 電灯 300+ Lx, 採光なし < 1 Lx

手順 | POSITION

0	スタート地点で時計を撮影し、上昇
1	架台 1 の高さ 1S でホバー
2	下側の 1 をAlign/撮影、次に前方45° の 2 A をAlign/撮影
3	機体を左回転 360°
4	下側の 1 をAlign/撮影、次に前方45° の 2 A をAlign/撮影
5	機体を右回転 360°
6	下側の 1 をAlign/撮影、次に前方45° の 2 A をAlign/撮影
7	架台 1 の高さ 2S へ上昇
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9	架台 1 の高さ 1S へ降下
10	下側の 1 をAlign/撮影、次に前方45° の 2 A をAlign/撮影
11	架台2へ移動
12	下側の 2 をAlign/撮影、次に前方45° の 3 A をAlign/撮影
13	架台 1 へ後退
14	下側の 1 をAlign/撮影、次に前方45° の 2 A をAlign/撮影
15	架台2へ移動し、機体を右回転180°
16	下側の 2 (逆) をAlign/撮影、次に前方45° の 1 C をAlign/撮影
17	着陸地点上空まで移動し、機体を左回転 180°
18	下側の着陸地点をAlign/撮影、次に前方45° の 1 A をAlign/撮影
19	着陸地点の中央へ降下 (2点)
20	前方のPerch 1、Perch 2を順に撮影

観台側を見て中央に着陸 → 時計の撮影 → このLapの終了

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■ Further study and trial for sUAV-STM in Japan

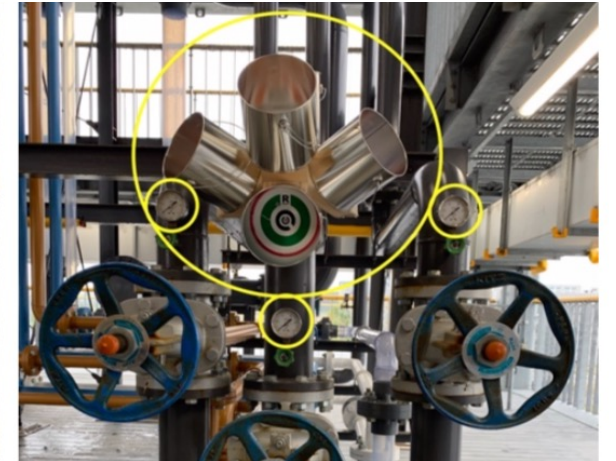
We are going to further study the appropriate application of NIST sUAV-STM method in Japan including following discussions,

- ✓ **Proctor and visual observer training program**

World Robot Summit (2018-2020)

Use Case Examples

Standard Disaster Robotics Category, Fukushima Robot Test Field, Fukushima, Japan



RoboCupRescue Robot League (2000-present)

Use Case Examples

- We conduct annual international robotics research competitions, sometimes two a year.
- The RoboCupRescue Championships (shown below) use 20 ground robot tests set up in a large maze so they can be conducted individually as preliminaries then a comprehensive search mission for finals.
- These competition focus on autonomous behaviors vs. remote teleoperation using all three sizes of robot test lanes. Typically more than 30 teams participate.
- Most teams fabricate the test methods at their facilities to refine designs and practice.



RoboCupRescue Championships

- 2020 Bordeaux, France
- 2019 Sydney, Australia
- 2018 Montreal, Canada
- 2017 Nagoya, Japan
- 2016 Leipzig, Germany
- 2015 Hefei, China
- 2014 Joao Pessoa, Brazil
- 2013 Eindhoven, Netherlands
- 2012 Mexico City, Mexico
- 2011 Istanbul, Turkey
- 2010 Singapore, Singapore
- 2009 Graz, Austria
- 2008 Suzhou, China
- 2007 Atlanta, USA
- 2006 Bremen, Germany
- 2005 Osaka, Japan
- 2004 Lisbon, Portugal
- 2003 Padua, Italy
- 2002 Fukuoka, Japan
- 2001 Seattle, USA
- 2000 AAI Conf, Austin, TX

Nebraska: Omaha Police Dept.

Use Case Examples



Omaha Police Department Omaha, NE

Texas Dept. of Public Safety and Reveille Peak Ranch Test Facility

Use Case Examples

Texas Dept. of Public Safety Stats:

Pilots: 100+

Aircraft: 100+

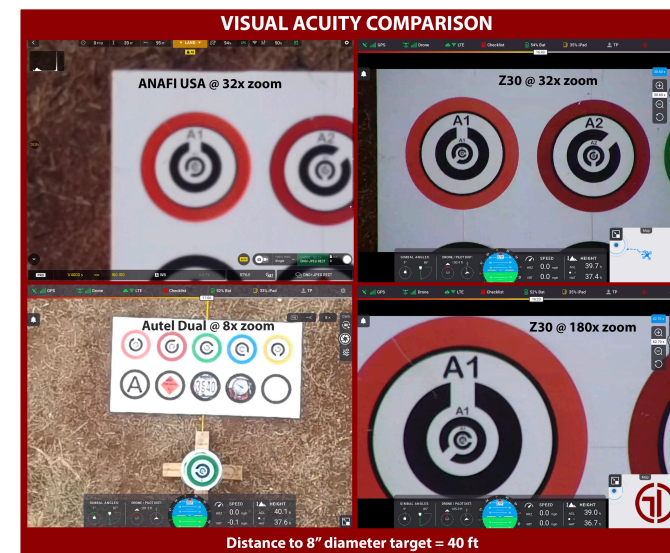
Annual Flights: 10,000+

Main focus: Crash/crime scene reconstruction

News from Texas Legislature

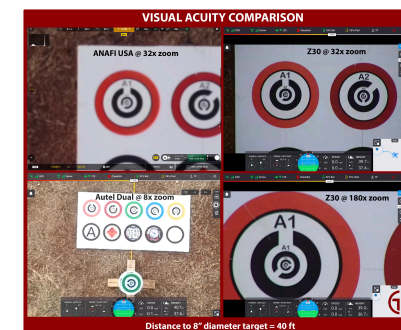
- Training
- Software
- Adoption of NIST tests

Reveille Peak Ranch Test Facility and Statewide Use Cases by Local Organizations (next pages)



Texas Dept. of Public Safety and Reveille Peak Ranch Test Facility

Use Case Examples



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Use Case Examples

- North Texas Public Safety Unmanned Response Team (PSURT) PSURT Dallas/ Ft. Worth
- Camp Mabry in Austin Texas Granite Defense & Technologies hosted four of the 5 BLUE DIU approved drones for the Texas Air National Guard.
- Harris County (Houston area) Fire Marshal's Office
- Reveille Peak Ranch test facility evaluation
- Texas Department of Emergency Management (TEDM) pursuant to Texas HB2340



Canadian CETA and CERRA Training/Credentialing

Use Case Examples

Lead Agencies;

CETA- Canadian Explosives Technicians Association

CERRA- Canadian Emergency Responders Robotics Association

Primary Locations:

Pearson International Airport (Toronto Canada)

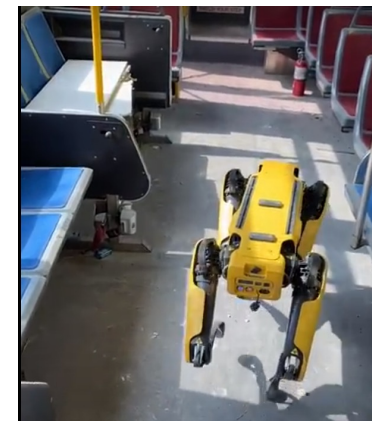
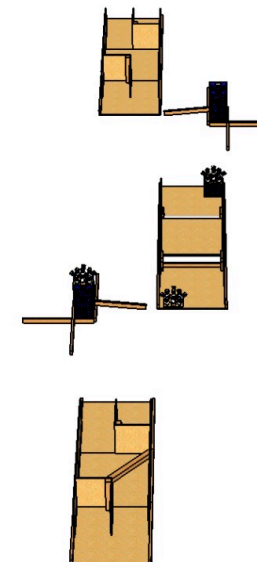
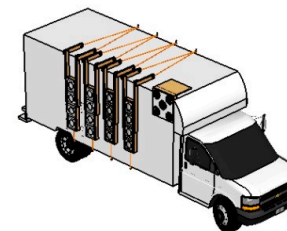
Grimsby Regional Training Centre (Grimsby, Ontario , Canada)

CETA

CETA is the national association for police/military/government agencies tasked with response to explosives , chemical, biological, and radiological incidents in Canada. Current projects include EOD Standard training methods for both robots and bomb techs deployed in bomb suits.

CERRA

Spring 2020 established with focus on the public safety deployment of ground, air, water based robotics. Membership is open to any current or former public safety member or agency or any supporting government agency with an interest in response robots.



Drone Responders Now Auditing for ASTM International Compliance

Use Case Examples



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Safety | Capabilities | Proficiency

SLIDE TEMPLATE