

Prognostics As A Service (PaaS) Advisory Working Group

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PaaS Team

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Introductions

Meeting objectives:

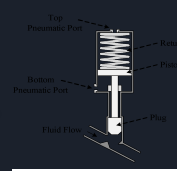
1. Establish a common understanding of the PaaS project and concept
2. Establish a common understanding of the purpose of the working group
3. Introduce PaaS team members & WG members
4. Provide initial feedback and guidance to the PaaS Team

Prognostics

Prognostics uses sensor data to provide real-time assessment of

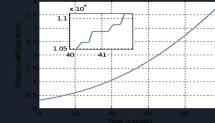
1. Current Health State
2. Future Health States
3. Future Performance
4. Failure Prediction

For systems, vehicles, airspaces



$$f_g(p_1, p_2) = \begin{cases} C_s A_s p_1 \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{Z R_g T} \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1} \right)^{(\gamma+1)/(\gamma-1)}}, & p_1 \geq p_2 \wedge p_1/p_2 \geq \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2} \right)^{\gamma/(\gamma-1)} \\ C_s A_s p_1 \sqrt{\frac{2}{Z R_g T} \left(\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \right) \left(\left(\frac{p_2}{p_1} \right)^{2/\gamma} - \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1} \right)^{(\gamma+1)/\gamma} \right)}, & p_1 \geq p_2 \wedge p_1/p_2 < \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2} \right)^{\gamma/(\gamma-1)} \\ C_s A_s p_2 \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{Z R_g T} \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1} \right)^{(\gamma+1)/(\gamma-1)}}, & p_1 < p_2 \wedge p_2/p_1 \geq \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2} \right)^{\gamma/(\gamma-1)} \\ C_s A_s p_2 \sqrt{\frac{2}{Z R_g T} \left(\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \right) \left(\left(\frac{p_1}{p_2} \right)^{2/\gamma} - \left(\frac{p_1}{p_2} \right)^{(\gamma+1)/\gamma} \right)}, & p_1 < p_2 \wedge p_2/p_1 < \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2} \right)^{\gamma/(\gamma-1)} \end{cases}$$

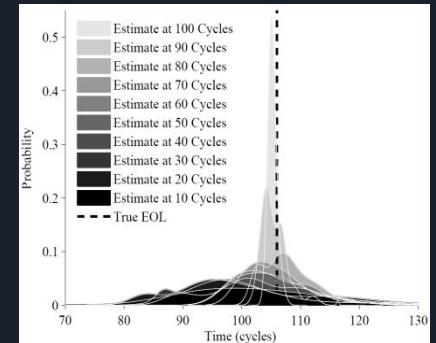
$$\begin{aligned} f_t(t) &= f_g(p_t(t), u_t(t)) \\ f_b(t) &= f_g(p_b(t), u_b(t)) \\ f_v(t) &= \frac{x(t)}{L_s} C_v A_v \sqrt{\frac{2}{\rho}} |p_{fl} - p_{fr}| \text{sign}(p_{fl} - p_{fr}) \end{aligned}$$



$$\dot{r}(t) = w_r |F_f(t) v(t)|$$

$$EOL(t_P) \triangleq \inf \{t \in \mathbb{R} : t \geq t_P \wedge T_{EOL}(\mathbf{x}(t), \theta(t)) = 1\}$$

Algorithm 2 EOL Prediction
Inputs: $\{(\mathbf{x}_{k_P}^i, \theta_k^i), w_{k_P}^i\}_{i=1}^N$
Outputs: $\{EOL_{k_P}^i, w_{k_P}^i\}_{i=1}^N$
for $i = 1$ **to** N **do**
 $k \leftarrow k_P$
 $\mathbf{x}_k^i \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_{k_P}^i$
 $\theta_k^i \leftarrow \theta_{k_P}^i$
 while $C_{EOL}(\mathbf{x}_k^i, \theta_k^i) = 0$ **do**
 Predict $\hat{\mathbf{u}}_k$
 $\theta_{k+1}^i \sim p(\theta_{k+1}^i | \theta_k^i)$
 $\mathbf{x}_{k+1}^i \sim p(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}^i | \mathbf{x}_k^i, \theta_k^i, \hat{\mathbf{u}}_k)$
 $k \leftarrow k + 1$
 $\mathbf{x}_k^i \leftarrow \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^i$
 $\theta_k^i \leftarrow \theta_{k+1}^i$
 end while
 $EOL_{k_P}^i \leftarrow k$
end for





Prognostics- Utility

Pilots

Remote Operators

Air Traffic Control

UAS Traffic
Management (UTM)

Airline Dispatch

Autonomy

Maintainers

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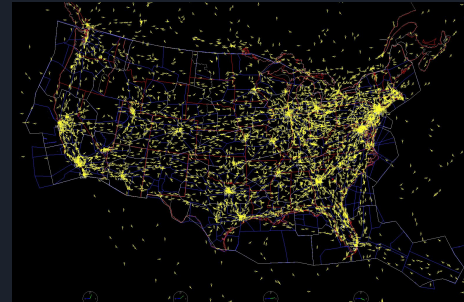
Autonomy

Maintainers

Provide health
information for
components,
vehicles, airspace

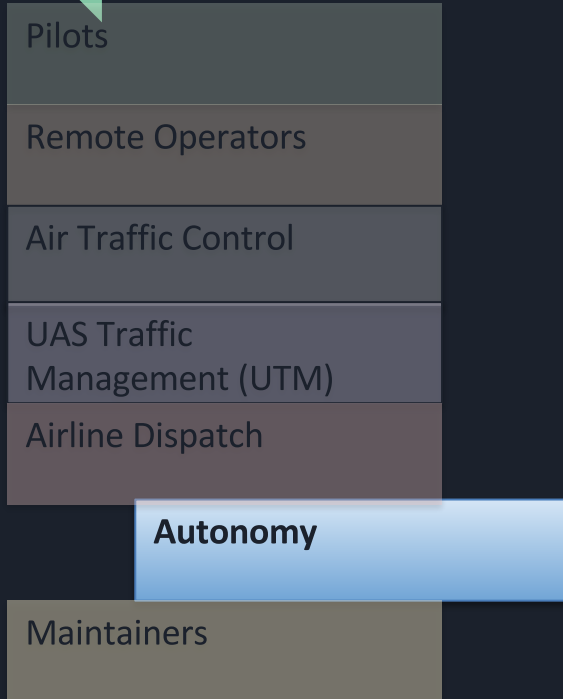


Reduced Risk of failure of
critical systems



Reduced System Delays

Prognostics- Utility



Impact: Enabling Robust Autonomous Systems

Autonomous Systems that:

1. **Monitor** health in-flight
2. **Predict** failures in-flight
3. **Understand** how performance degrades
4. **Autonomously** make decisions based on this

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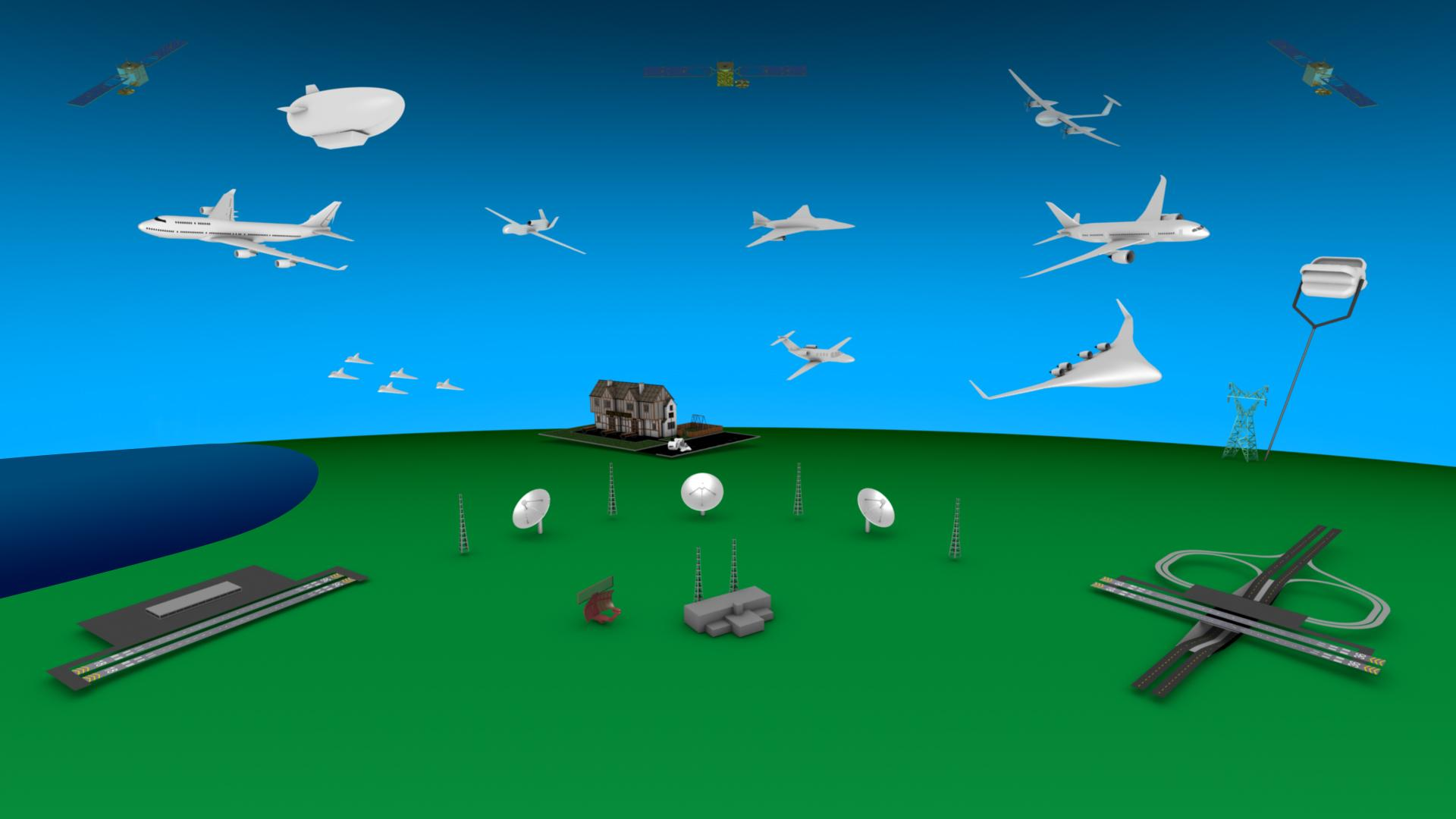
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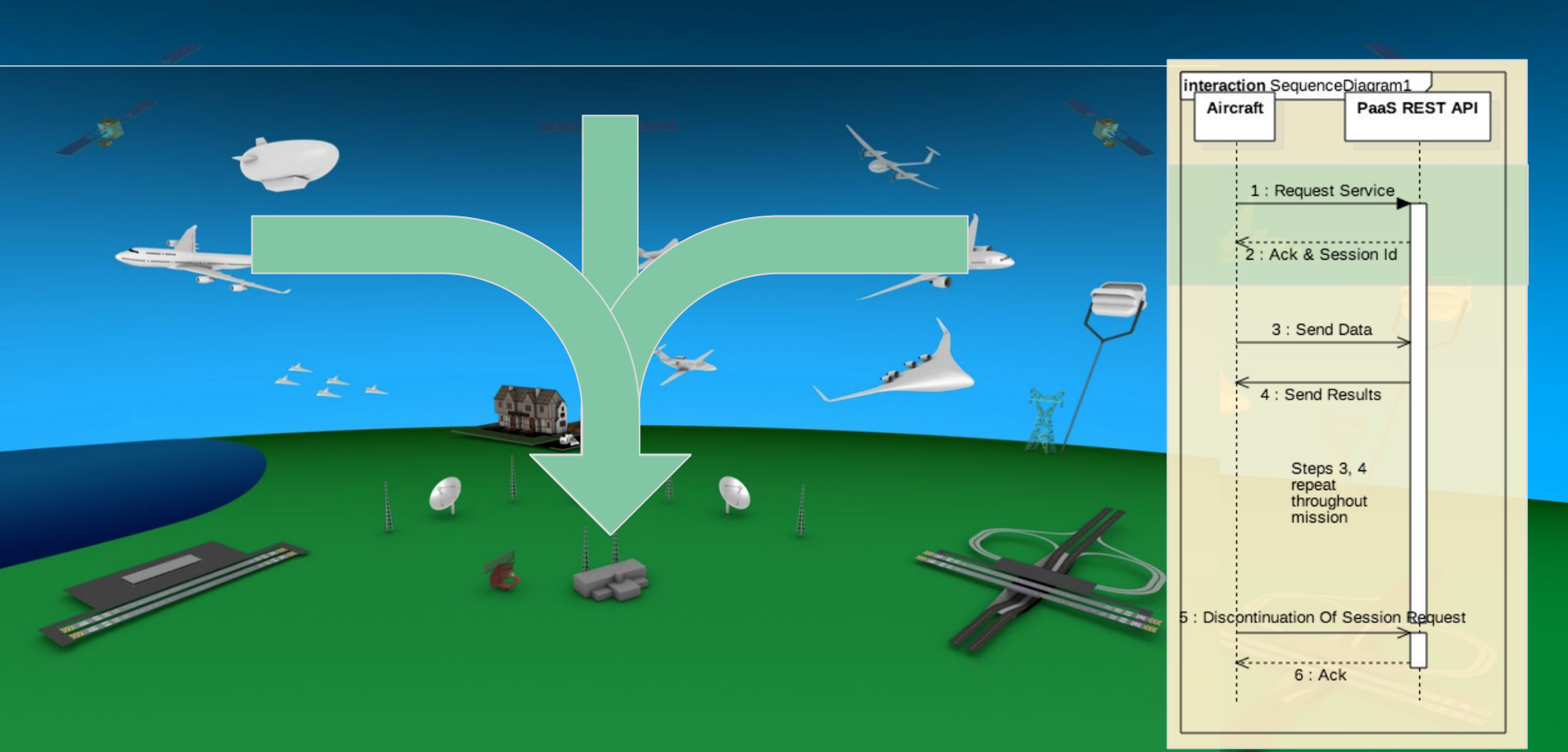
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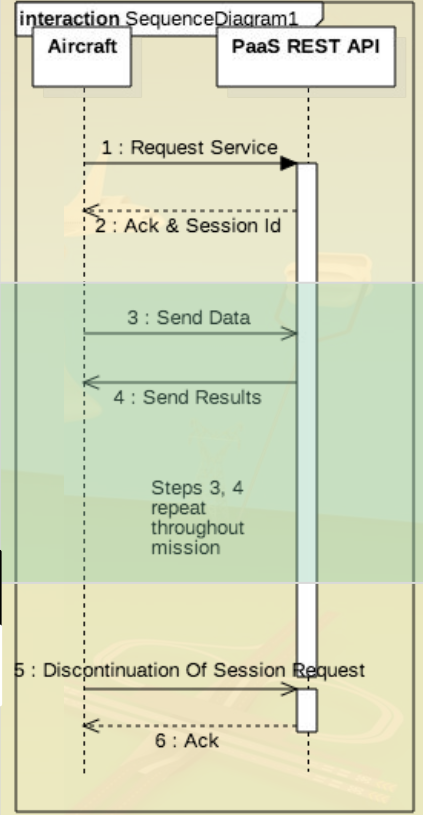
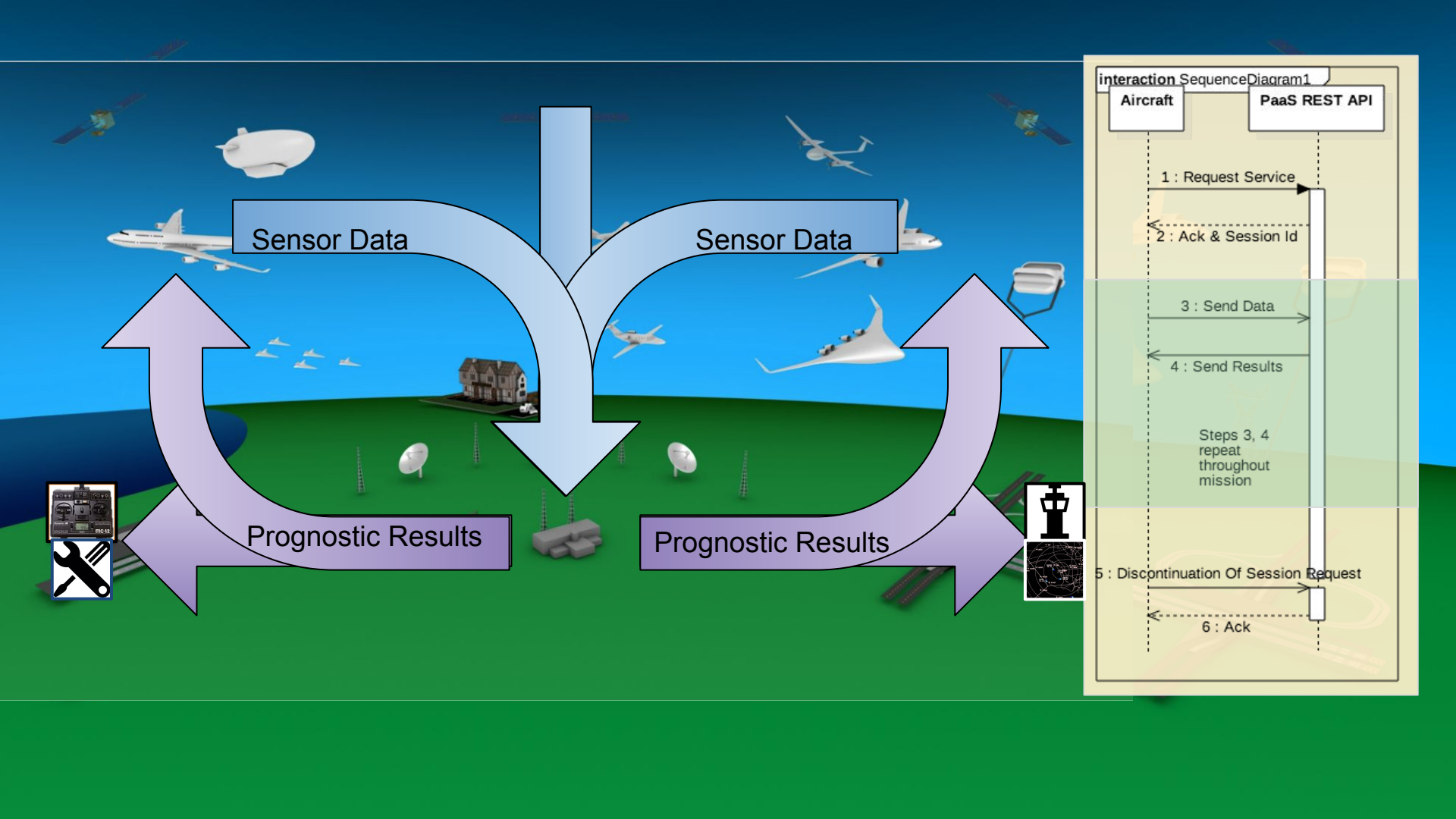


Reduced Maintenance
Costs





Request PaaS Services



PaaS Users

Pilots



Remote Operators



Air Traffic Control



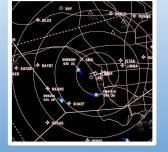
UAS Traffic Management (UTM)



Maintainers



Airline Dispatch



All could potentially be human or autonomous



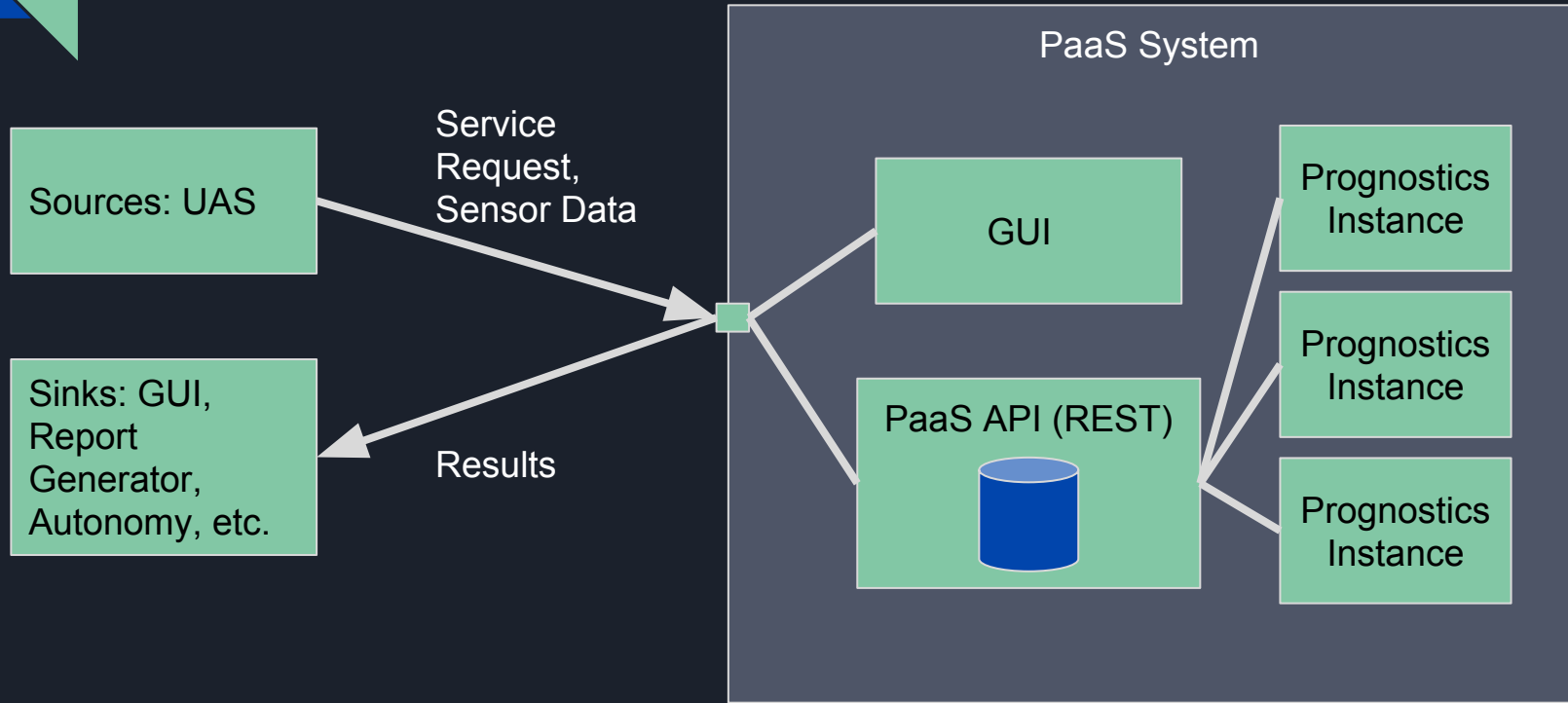
Prognostics As-A-Service (PaaS)

Identify, explore, and develop solutions to mitigate the technical barriers and design decision space for performing prognostics remotely, as-a-service at a large scale

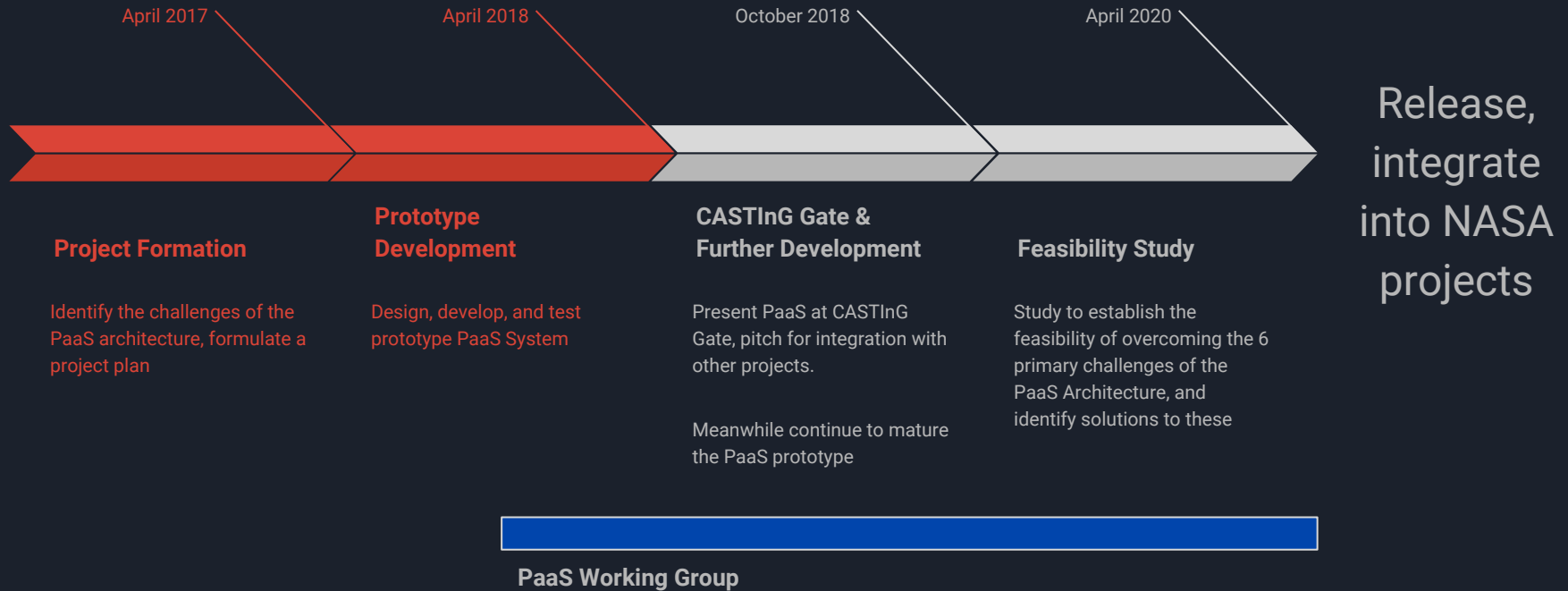
Challenges

Generalization	Can a single PaaS system support the wide variety of aircraft classes and configurations?
Env Complexity	Can a PaaS system provide accurate predictions in complex environments?
Usefulness	Can the PaaS results be provided in such a way that they can inform significant action to maintain safety and efficiency?
Security	Can existing security solutions help PaaS operate in a way so as to protect Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability?
Comms	Can PaaS handle the communication complexity involved with the architecture: including bandwidth constraints, dropout, etc.?
Trust	Can PaaS be designed so that the results will be trusted?

Prognostics As-A-Service Prototype



Timeline





Working Group Purpose

To advise in the identification and investigation of feasibility challenges for the PaaS Architecture, and on how feasibility can be established in a manner meaningful to industry and academia



Working Group Membership

24 individuals from across government, industry, and academia

Academia

Urban Air Mobility

Government

Unmanned Aircraft
Systems (UAS)

Intelligent Data
Providers



Discussion

Please say name and company/organization before speaking



Questions

- Why are you interested in prognostics as-a-service?
- What challenges do you see for this architecture?
- What would you need to feel that this technology is mature enough to use?

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Backup Slides



Potential Strengths/Weaknesses of PaaS Architecture

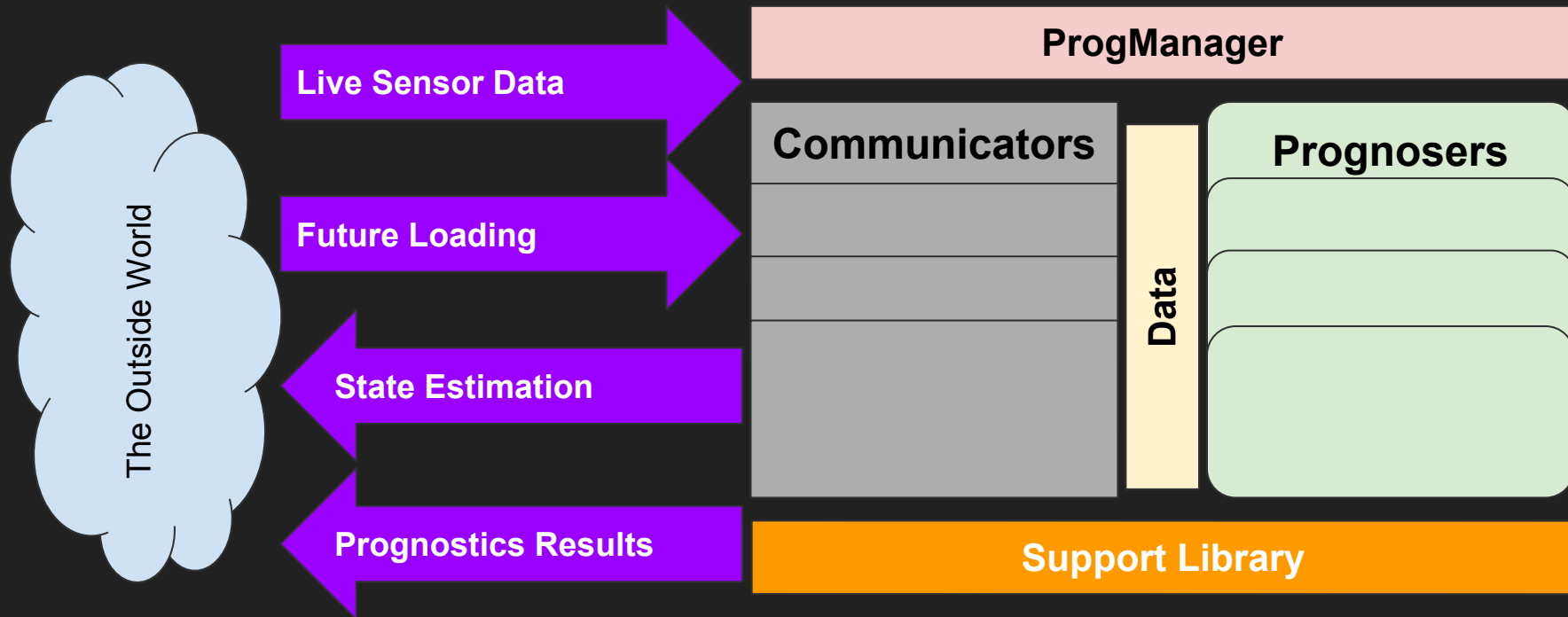
Strengths

- Computational constraints
- Access to external data
- Ease of integration, maintenance
- Ease of extension
- Size, Weight, and Power (SWaP)
- Efficiency of resource sharing
- Data collection/learning

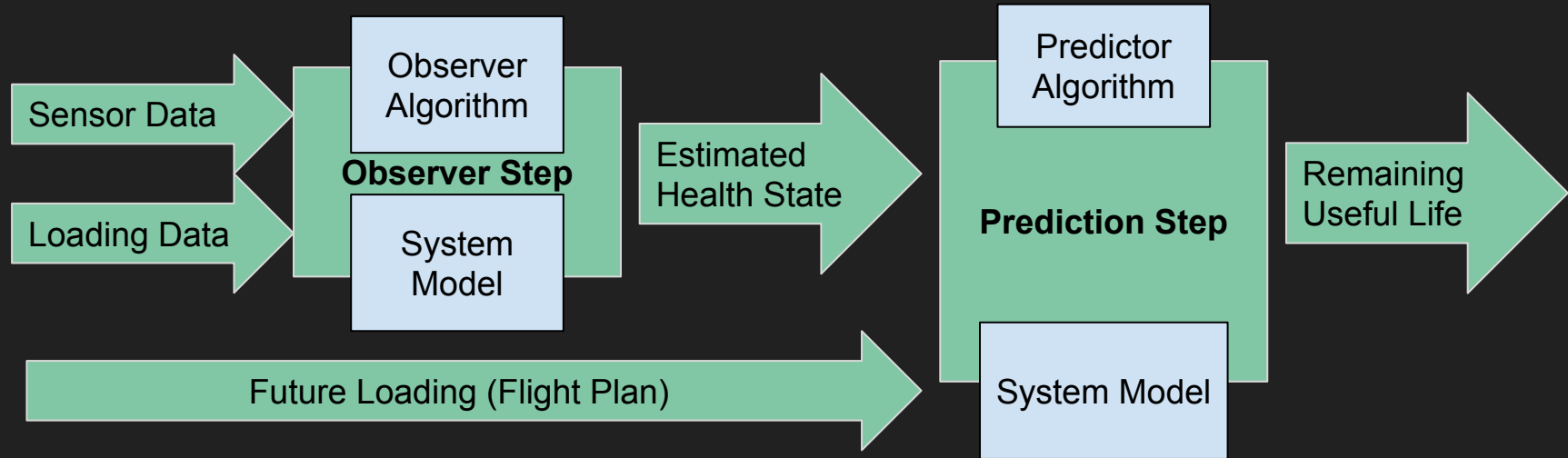
Weaknesses

- Communication security concerns
- Communication stability/availability
- Latency/bandwidth constraints

GSAP



Model-Based Prognoser





Prototype Shortcomings

- REST is not the best format for an API for streaming sensor data/results- Consider other architectures

Chosen Architecture

Architecture

Cloud Enhanced Prognostics



Utilizing Cloud
Resources
As-A-Service

Reasoning for Architecture Choice

- Computational constraints
- Utilizing external data
- Ease of integration, Maintenance
- Ability to integrate new features
- Improve with use
- Size, Weight, and Power (SWaP)
- Resource Sharing (Efficiency)

Take-away

A cloud-enhanced architecture can provide prognostics technologies to all aircraft and includes additional efficiency, capability, and performance advantages

Demonstrating Feasibility

Test the ability to address the six challenges with a proof of feasibility system, for small and large UAS (UAM representative vehicles), with different end users

Generalization	Env Complexity	Usefulness
Security	Comms	Trust

Testing Communications and Environmental Complexity

Communication:



- Communications Constraints (e.g. Bandwidth, Latency)

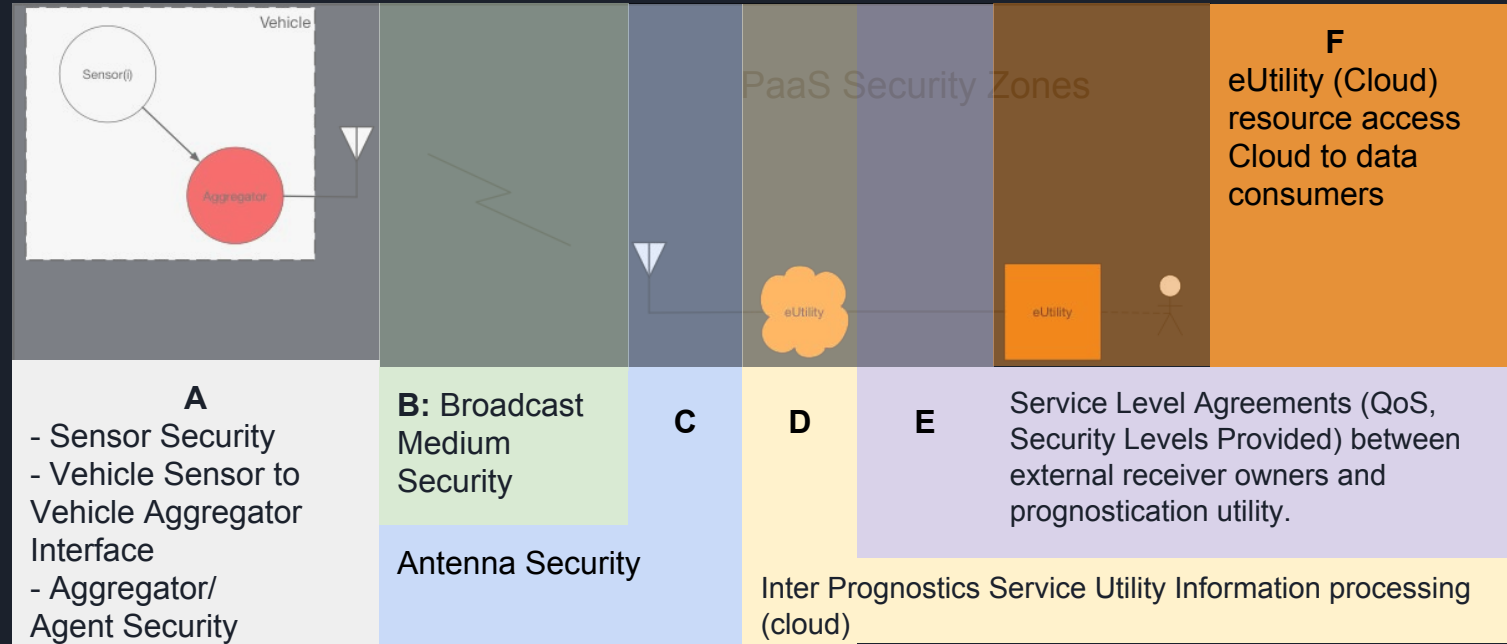
Environmental Complexity:



- Different environmental

Experts from both of these will be involved with developing requirements, designing experiments, and final feasibility assessment

Testing Security



Protect Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability (CIA Triad)

Security expert on team



Hardware-In-The-Loop FlightDeck



Leveraged for PaaS HITL

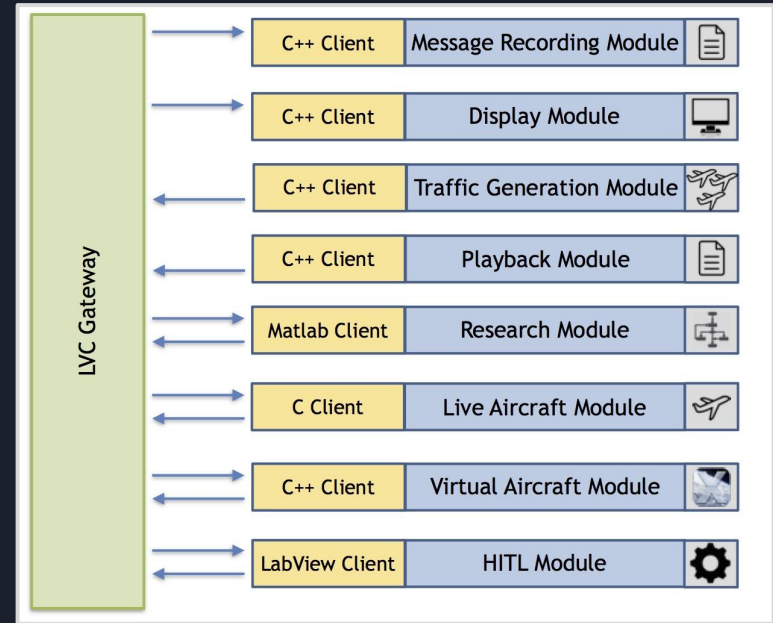
- Consists of cockpit with flight controls, autopilot, radio
- Connected to prognostics virtual lab
- Can display prognostics results on GUI on left screen

Operation Station

- Connected to prognostics virtual lab
- Controls experiment, can operate as ATC or Dispatch

Prognostics Virtual Lab

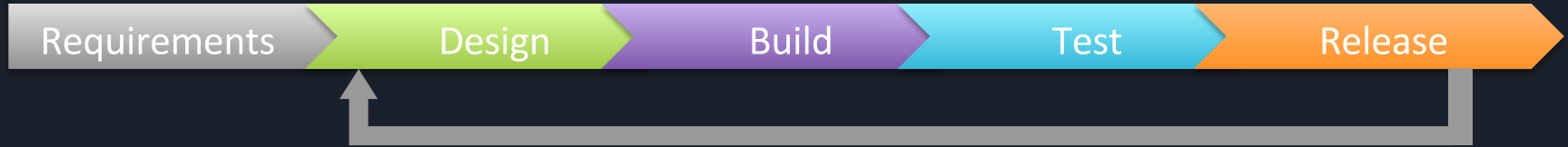
- Set of tools for distributed prognostics experiments
- LVC Gateway used to share network messages for aircraft, and systems
- Connect HITL Elements, Virtual and Real aircraft, prognostics algorithms, GUIs, etc.



Deliverables

- Feasibility Assessment Document
- Protocol Recommendations
- Publicly Released Proof of Concept PaaS system
- Publicly Released Data

Approach

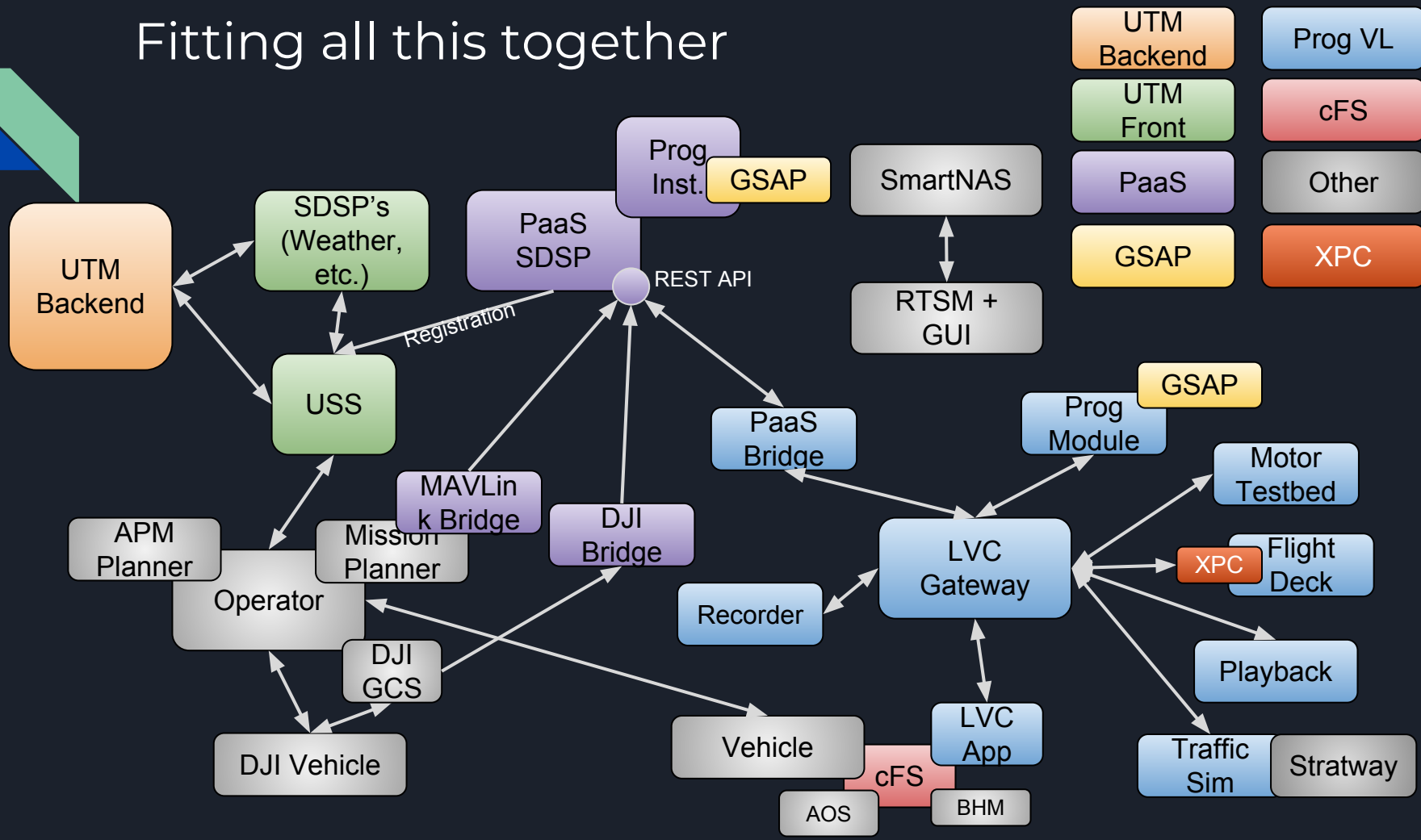


1. Requirements
2. Design and build proof-of-concept
3. **Test Early, Test Often**
4. Disseminate data, software, results
5. Transition

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Fitting all this together



SHARP Laboratory

- Laboratory for the development of testbeds and test systems
- Verification and validation of mathematical models
- Electric propulsion system testbed
- Flight simulation system and flight deck
- Power supplies, oscilloscopes, and data acquisition systems.

Systems Health, Analytics, Resilience and Physics modeling (SHARP) Laboratory



Factors in Choosing PaaS Targets

These factors should be considered when choosing systems to target for PaaS:

1. Criticality of system
2. Difficulty
3. Likelihood of failure
4. Ability to detect health state and predict failure
5. Utility- ability to take action based on the results of prognostics
6. Commonality- How often is this system used on aircraft

Context Diagram

