

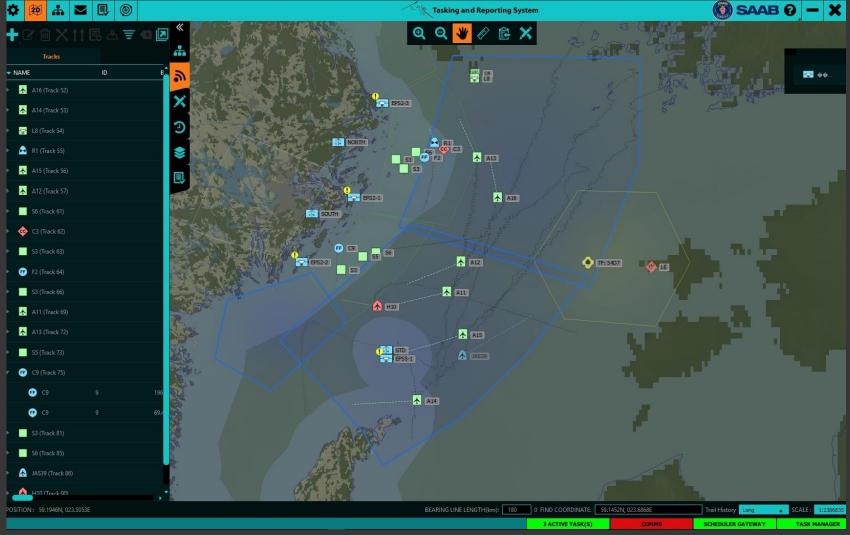
Elements and Techniques for Situational Awareness using Networked Passive Sensors

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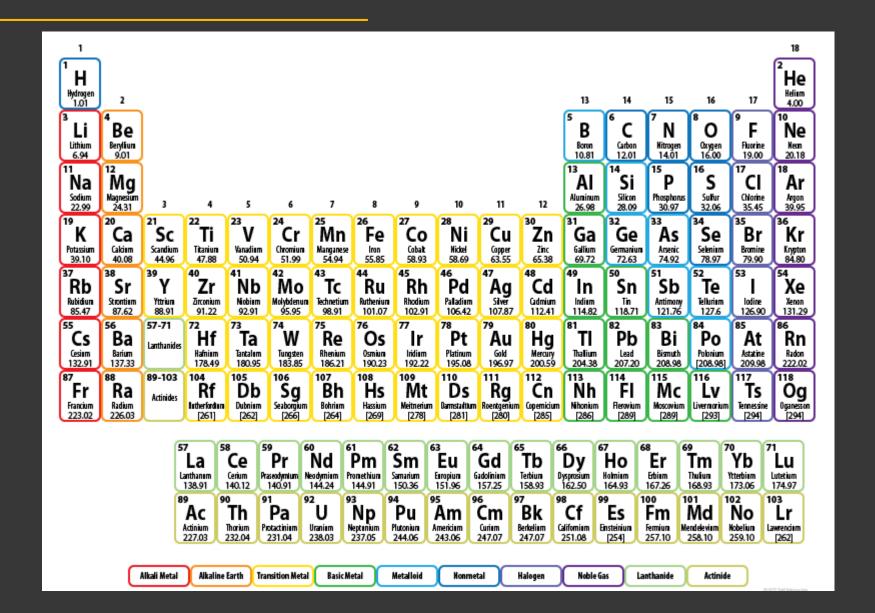


Situational Awareness





Periodic Table – Table of the Eelements





Elements and Techniques...

- The need for situational awareness using networked passive sensors
- Characteristics of sensors
- Creating situational awareness



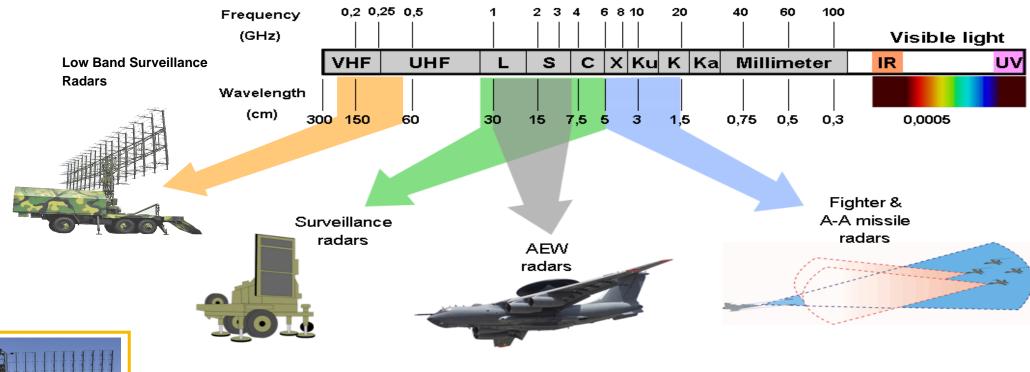
Military Trends and their influence on EW

- Focus shifting (back) from asymmetric operations into traditional combat force
 - Radar threats regaining importance
 - Increasing occurrence of hybrid warfare
- Counter-stealth surveillance radars at low frequency bands such as VHF are in focus
- Anti-Access/Area Denial systems with long ranges are proliferating
- Radar sensors are becoming increasingly agile and are used selectively
- Bi-static radar systems are deployed





Signal and Threat Environment



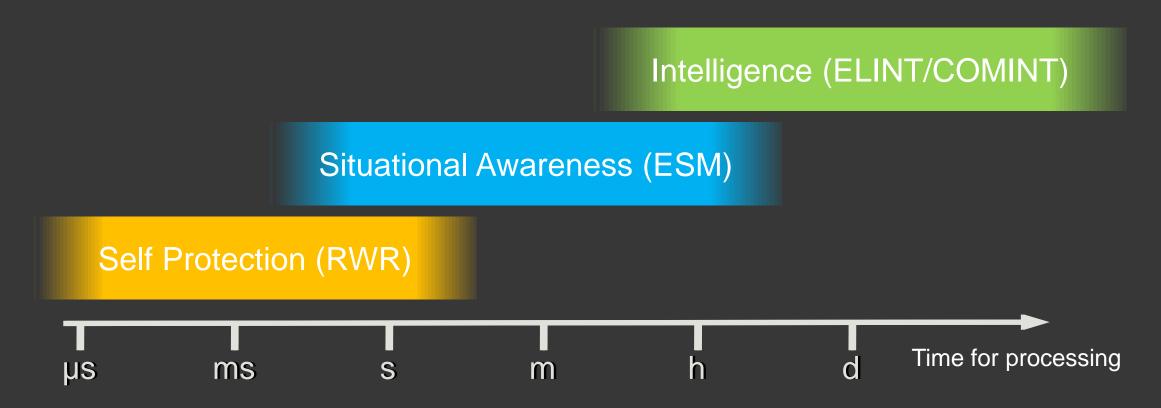








EW Processing Timeline

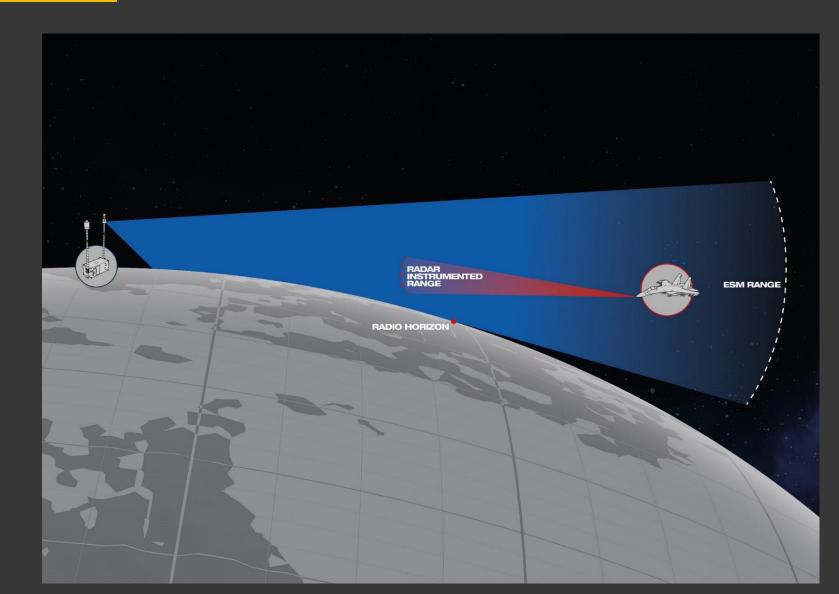


Priorities between system functions varies with the mission and threat level applicable at a specific point in time but it can be assumed that self-protection is always the highest priority w.r.t. response time



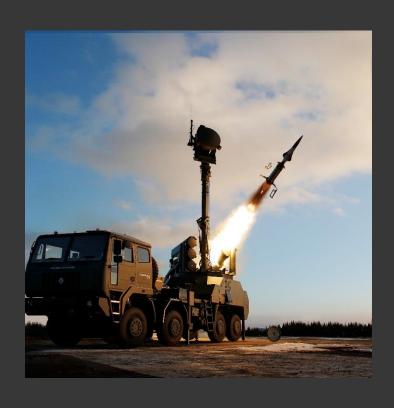
ESM Detection Range Superiority

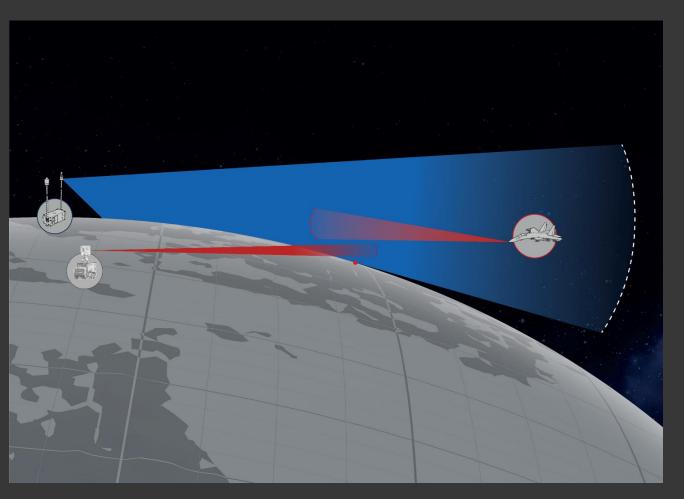
$$P_{ESM} = \frac{P_{rr}G_{rr}}{4\pi R^2} \frac{G_{ESM}\lambda^2}{4\pi}$$



ESM for GBAD Applications

- ESM detection range
- Radar instrumented range







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Sensor – Functional Requirements

- Wide band RWR high POI system
 - High POI, good sensitivity
 - 360° instantaneous azimuth coverage with DF
 - 2-18(40)GHz
 - LB and HB (warning) extensions possible
- Narrow band ESM high precision system
 - Less demanding POI (cued by high POI system)
 - Very good sensitivity
 - Accurate AoA measurements
 - Selectable sector azimuth coverage
 - Capable of LPI detection and analysis
- For ELINT applications additional sensitivity is needed can be achieved by adding high gain directional antennas if installation permits.

Probability of Intercept (POI): In the context of EW detection, warning and then further processing. Consider:

- Frequency
- Space
- · Time
- Signal environment!



LPI Radar

- Radar range performance
 - Dependent on total energy transmitted and reflected from a target
- Principles for Low Probability of Intercept (LPI) radar
 - Keep radar signature low by spreading total energy in
 - Time
 - Frequency
 - Space (angle)
 - Diversity
 - Maintain low antenna sidelobes
- LPI detection techniques improved sensitivity using
 - 2-antenna cross-correlation
 - Using waveform knowledge like FMCW frequency rate



Sensors

ESM sensors

- Automatic detection, de-interleaving
- Emitter classification
- Precision AoA measurements < 1° rms using interferometer antenna arrays

ELINT sensors

- Increased sensitivity
- Ability to measure weak signals
- High gain directional antenna
- Selectivity to supress strong signals







High Precision ESM Sensor

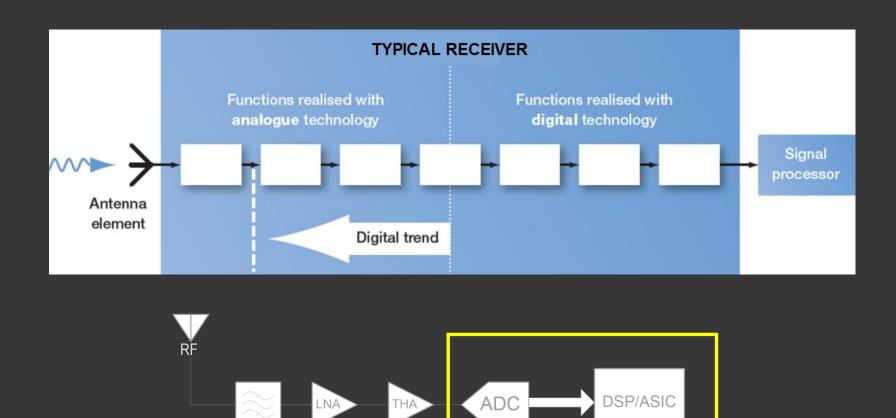
Advanced integrated ESM (C-ESM, R-ESM) sensor

- Frequency coverage 30MHz-18 (40) GHz
- High AoA measurement accuracy < 1° rms
- 30-500MHz using MUSIC algorithm
- 0.5-18GHz linear interferometer panel(s)
- Automatic detection using digital receiver technology and robust identification/ classification algorithms
- Stand-alone or networked ESM operation





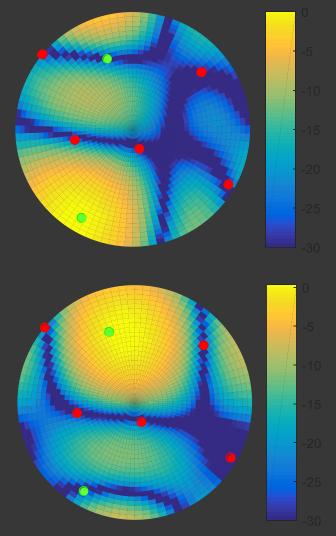
SIGINT Digital Receivers





Beamforming for Antenna Arrays

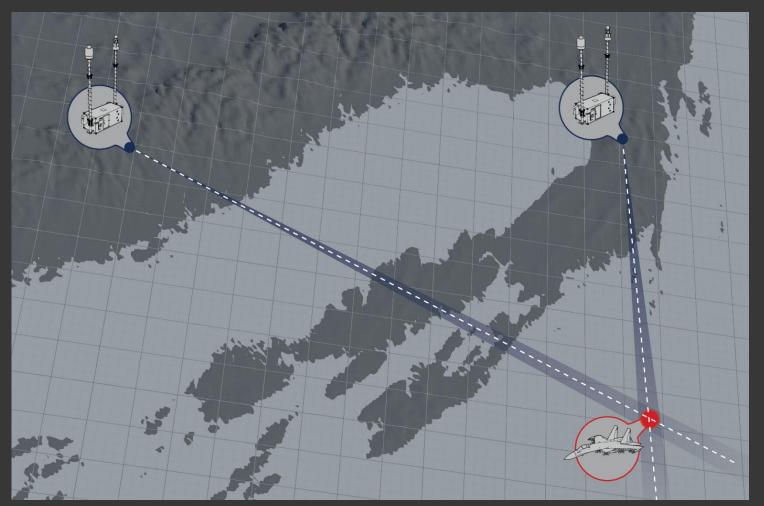
- Creating beams with gain in multiple directions at the same time
- Forming nulls in the direction of strong interfering signals
- Scenario
 - 5 interfering signals in unknown direction (red circles)
 - 2 signals-of-interest (SOI:s) in known directions (green circles)
- Two parallel beams in two different directions
 - Signals from the main beam direction are preserved
 - Interfering signals are suppressed





Geo-location using Triangulation

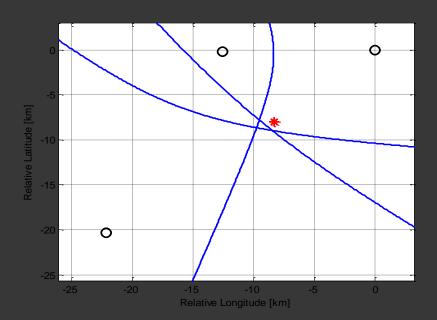
- Sensor performance
- AoA accuracy
- Number of sensors
- Baseline
- Distance to emitter
- Emitter dynamics

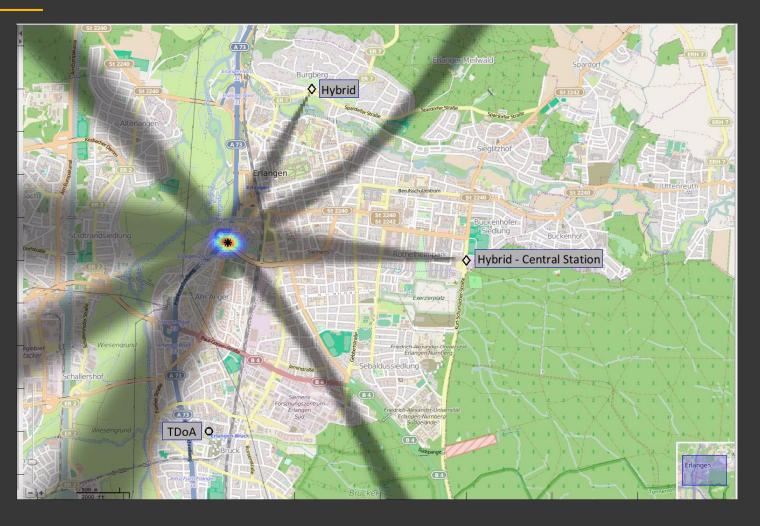




Geo-location using TDOA

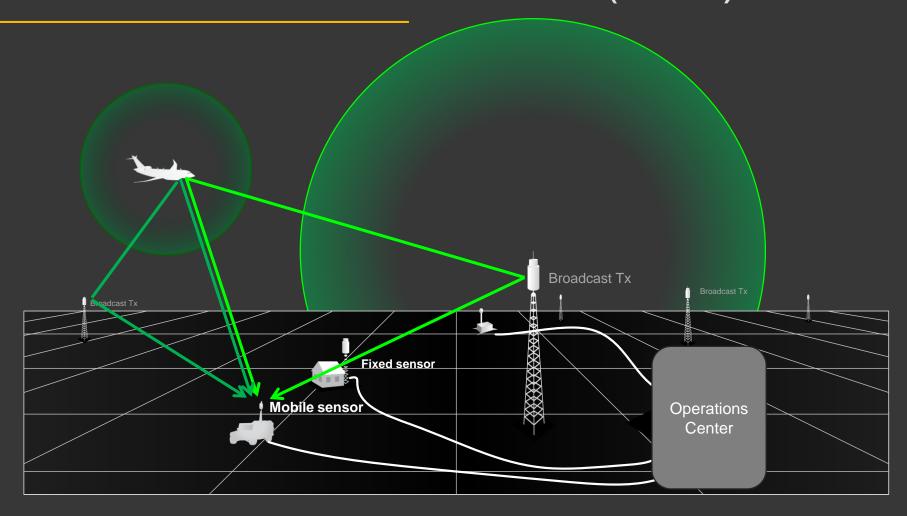
- Accurate geo-location
- Single channel receivers
- Geometry dependent





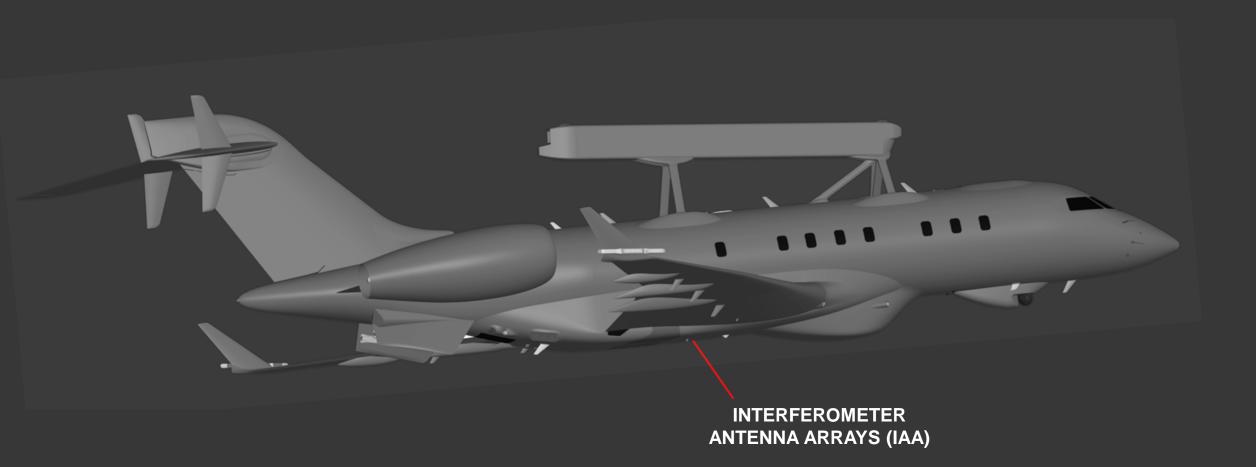


Passive Coherent Location (PCL)





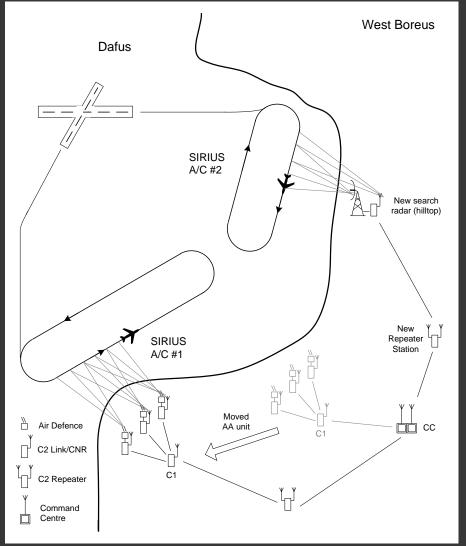
ESM system on GlobalEye





Airborne SIGINT

- Strategic intelligence gathering over longer periods of time
- Regular, planned missions (or ad-hoc)
- Locate and classify existing and new emitters.
- Recording and technical analysis supports threat library updates needed by other EW assets
- Situational awareness for decision makers





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Ground-based Sensors

Sensors with different characteristics, complementing each other

High accuracy sensor

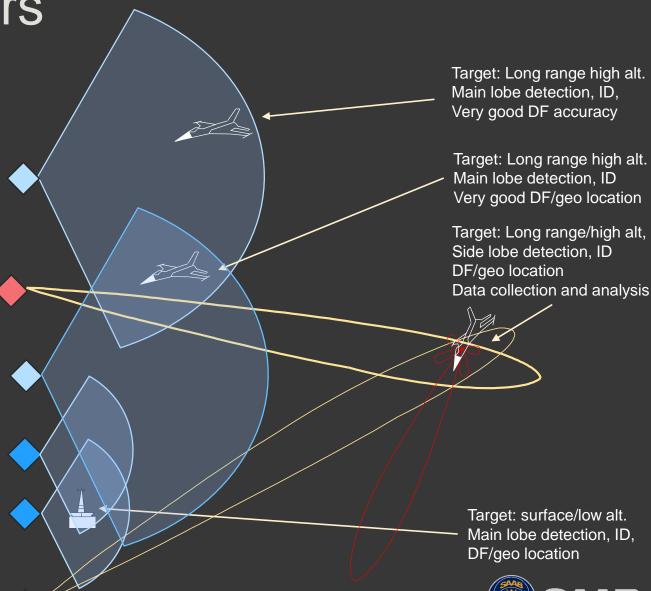
High gain sensor

High accuracy sensor

Coverage sensor

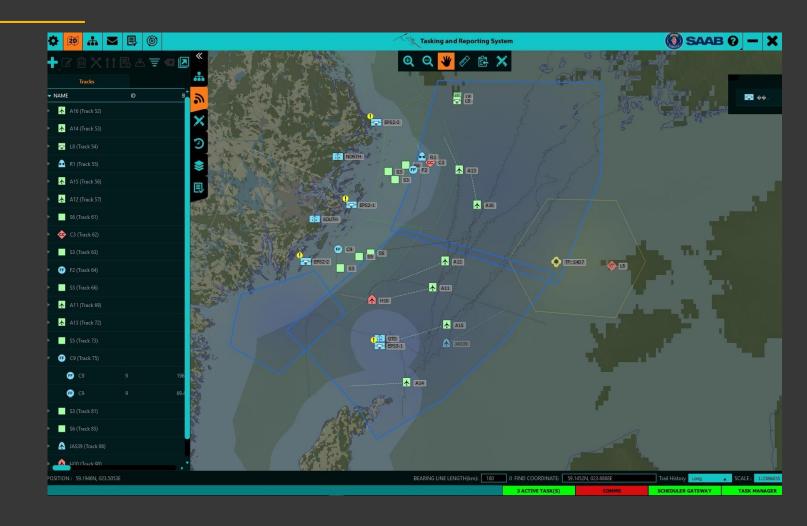
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Networked Passive Sensors

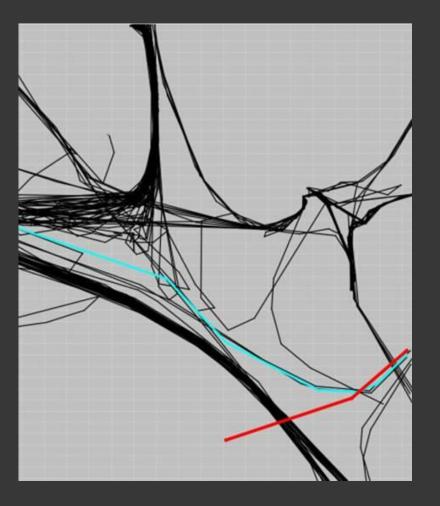
- Planning
- Sensor tasks
- Search programs
- Reporting incl. AoA, geo-location
- Data from multiple coop erative sensors
- Data fusion using TDFE in the background
- Map view with consolidated situational awareness view





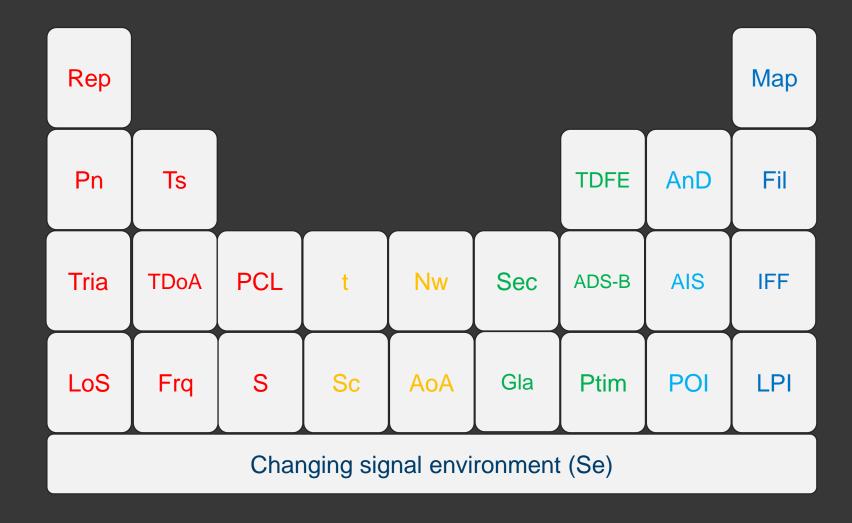
Anomaly Detection

- Automatic detection in normal or predicted behaviour
- Raise an alarm to trigger further investigation
- Can use machine learning





Elements and Techniques for....







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Thank you

