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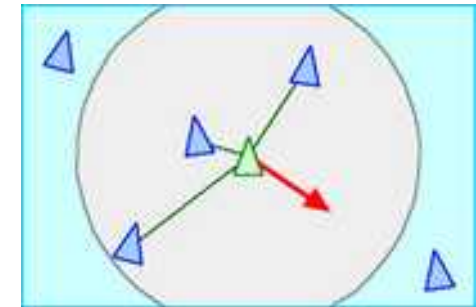
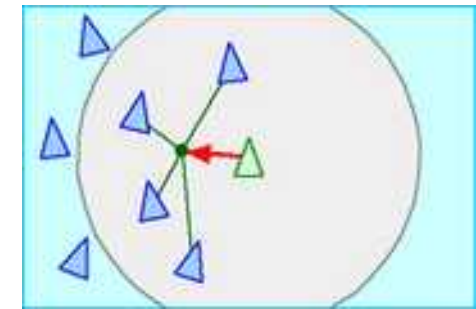


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Formation Control of USVs

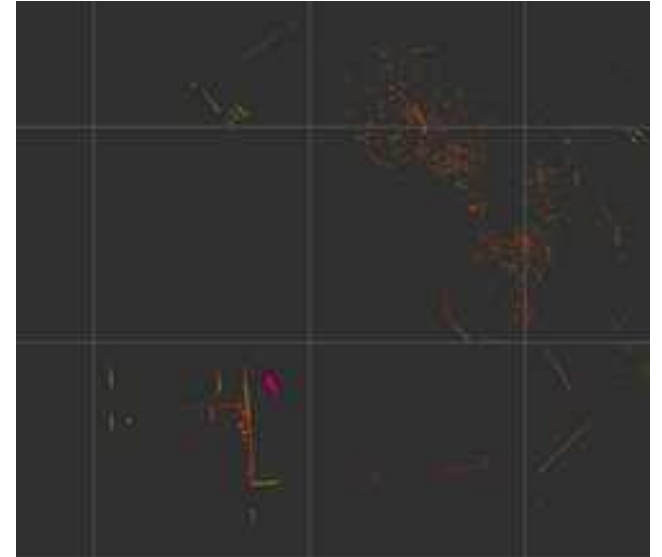
- Explore multiple vessel behaviour
- Possible approaches
 - Have USVs act as “Boids” and simulate flocking behaviour of birds.
 - Joint path following and collision avoidance.
- Field test possibilities late spring – in coordination with WASP WARA-PS and Saab Kockums.
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<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boids>
<https://wasp-sweden.org>

USV Docking

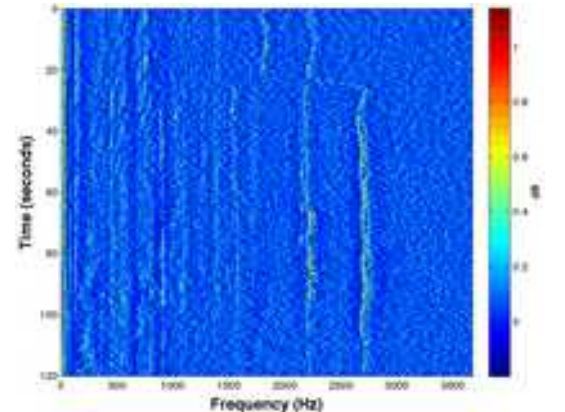
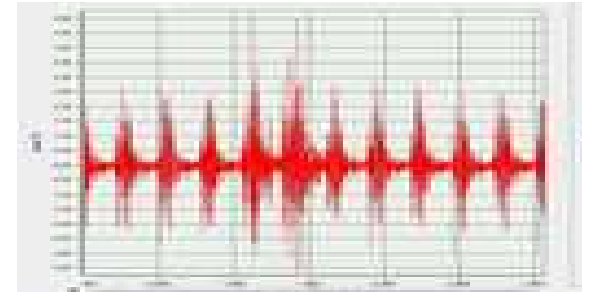
- To autonomously have the boat approach a pier.
 - Relative positioning
 - Lidar etc
 - Motion planning and control
 - Fine manoeuvring, possibly using MPC
 - Collision avoidance, static and dynamic obstacles
- Field test possibilities late spring – in coordination with WASP WARA-PS and Saab Kockums.
- Builds on Master Thesis project performed in Spring 2022*.
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* S. Kockum , Autonomous Docking of an Unmanned Surface Vehicle using Model Predictive Control, 2022
<http://lup.lub.lu.se/student-papers/record/9096721>.

Sensor fusion analysis with AI/ML

- Automatically detecting the abnormality of a vessel's state
 - Learning methods and training data are major challenges.
 - Investigate how, with the help of machine learning, external sensors (e.g. sound and vibration) can be used to detect a changed behavior of a single or multiple rotating machine(s).
 - This is trained against temporary sensors such as machine status (ground truth).
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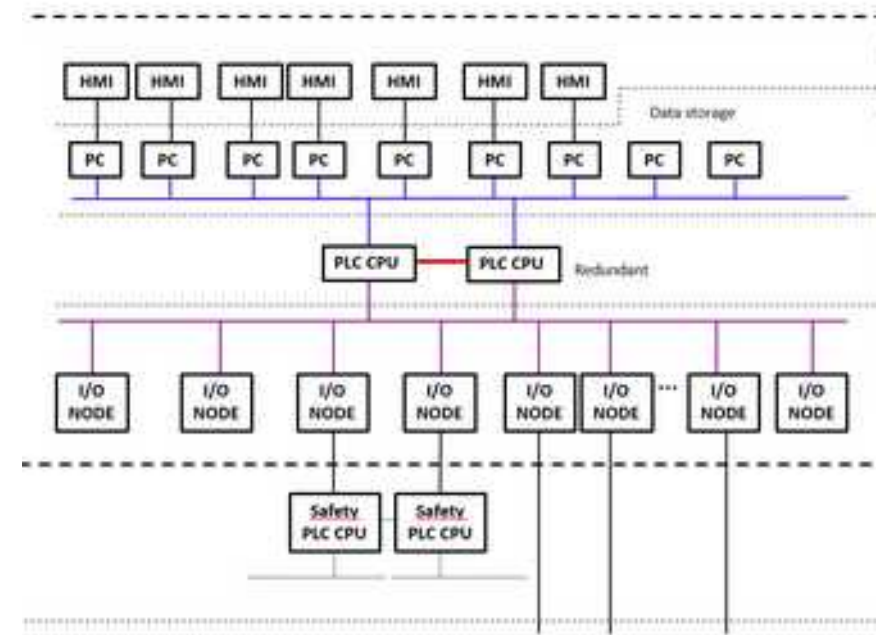
Time delay in simulation with real-time systems

- Simulation with real-time systems time delays occur can cause unwanted behavior in, for example
 - control algorithms in the real-time system
 - make it difficult to adjust controller parameters.
- Possible approaches
 - Investigate where delays occur in the simulation
 - Develop a model for how the delays affect control algorithms in real-time systems
 - Develop proposals for how these can be compensated
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Predictability and scalability model of PLC performance

- When designing a PLC system, components are initially selected based on an expected degree of utilization and have an estimated margin for expansion. There is a need to
 - quantify utilization rate and thus margin
 - overview of how close you are to the capacity limit
 - identify which measures could reduce load in the system
- Possible approaches
 - Investigate how the PLC system is affected by adding network nodes, IO signals, communication interfaces, etc.
 - Develop a model to predict how future up scaling of the system will affect performance
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