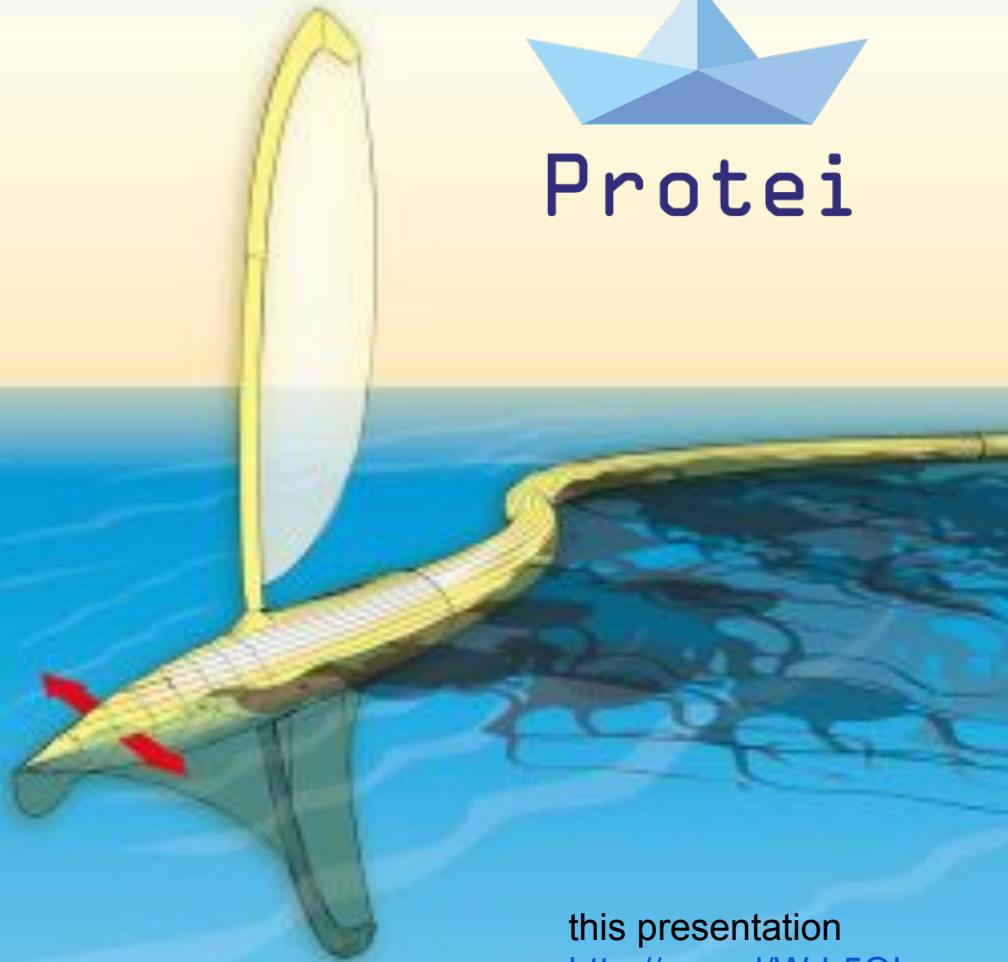


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Sailing Robot  
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An aerial photograph of a large oil spill on the ocean. The spill is a thick, dark brown or black layer floating on the surface of the blue water. The spill has spread across a significant portion of the frame, creating a distinct pattern. In the background, several small ships are visible on the horizon under a clear sky.

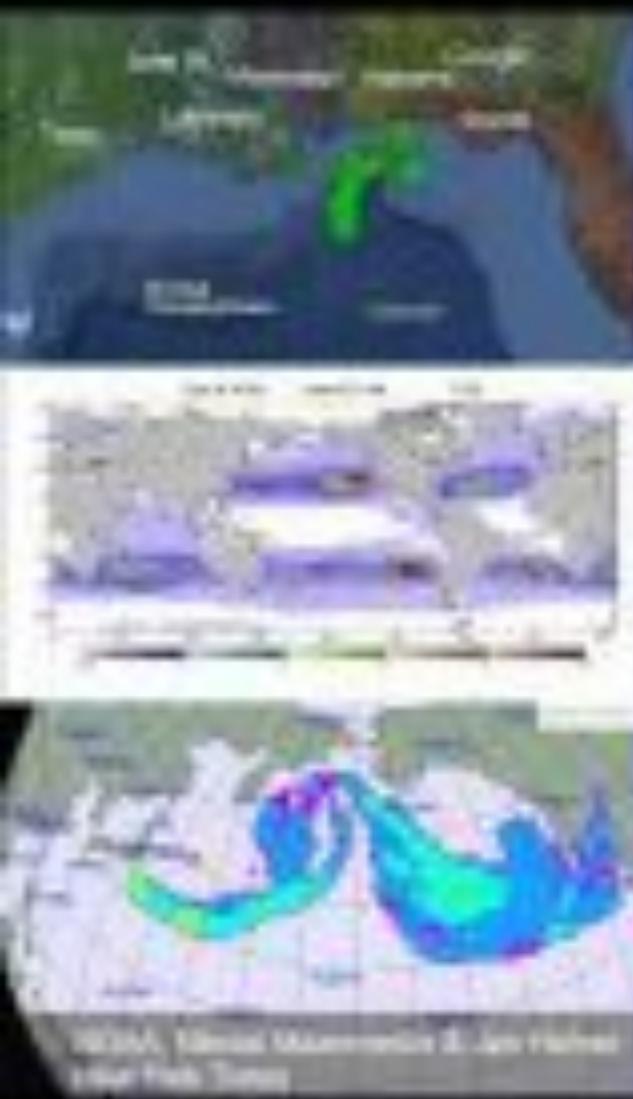
Oil

A wide-angle photograph of a deep blue ocean. The surface is covered with a multitude of small, colorful plastic fragments and debris, scattered across the entire frame. The water has a slightly textured appearance due to the sunlight reflecting off the surface.

Plastic

An aerial photograph of a nuclear power plant. A massive, billowing plume of white and grey smoke or steam rises from one of the tall cooling towers. The plant's complex structure of buildings, pipes, and cooling ponds is visible against a dark, overcast sky.

# Radioactivity?



Oil  
Plastic  
Radioactivity

Man-made problems  
controlled by  
natural forces

Natural forces  
to remediate  
man-made problems

An aerial photograph capturing the vast expanse of the BP Deepwater Horizon oil spill. The dark blue-green ocean is heavily stained with thick, bright orange-red oil slicks that form intricate, winding patterns across the surface. In the upper center of the frame, a white supply vessel with a tall mast and several deck structures is positioned amidst the spill. The ship's wake is visible, creating a lighter-colored trail through the darker oil.

# BP Oil Spill









# Drag



# Pull & Direction









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# 1m Remote Controlled

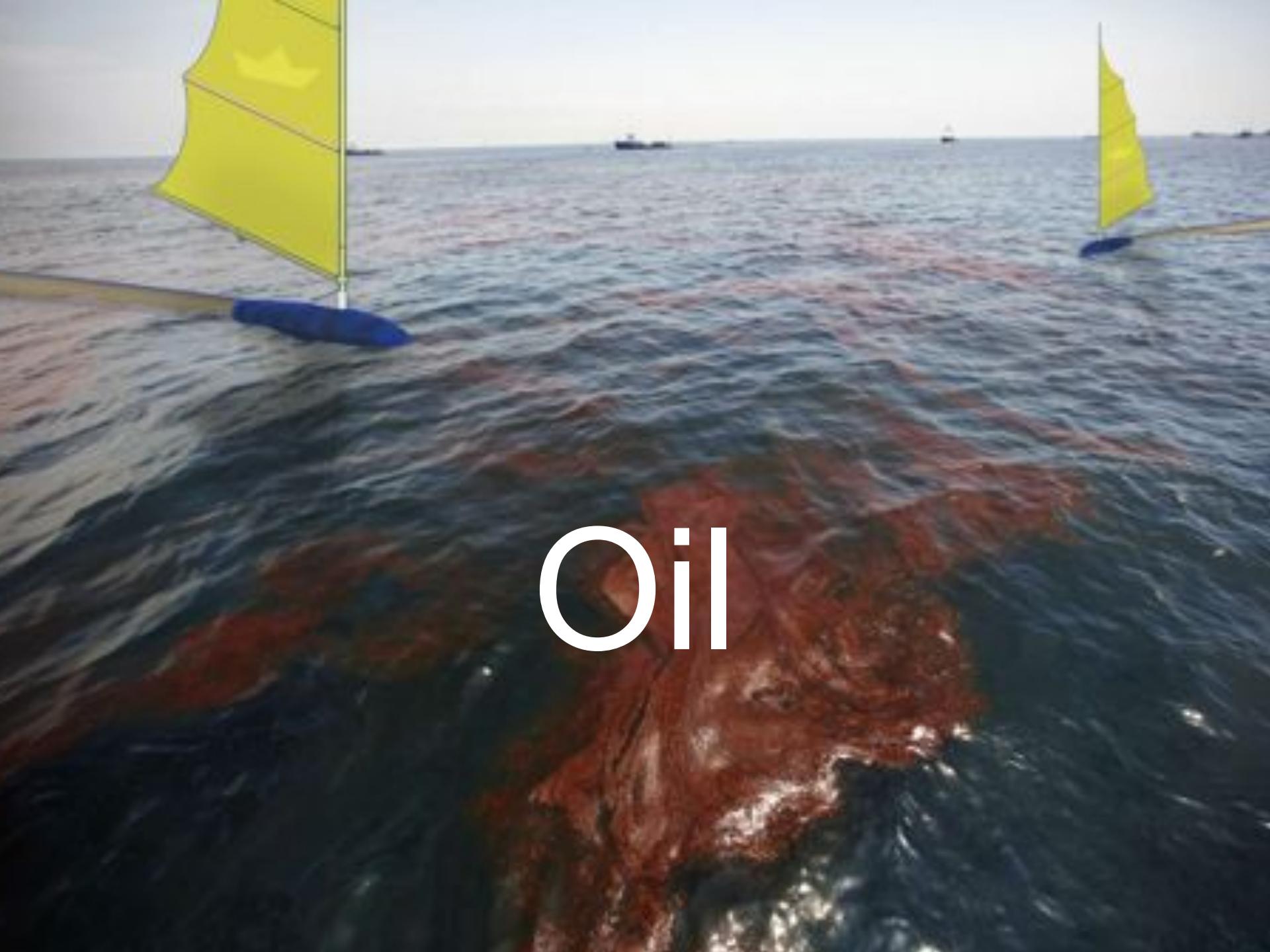


# 1m Arduino + Android



# 6m Unmanned



A photograph of a massive oil spill in the ocean. The water is dark blue/black with large, thick, reddish-brown patches of oil floating on the surface. In the upper left, a small sailboat with a yellow sail and blue hull is visible. In the upper right, another sailboat with a yellow sail and blue hull is partially visible. In the far distance, a large cargo ship is visible on the horizon under a clear sky.

Oil

A photograph of a vibrant coral reef in clear blue water. In the upper portion of the image, two black and white cylindrical buoys are anchored to the seabed. The water is bright and reflects sunlight, creating a lens flare effect. The coral reef in the foreground is composed of various types of coral, including large, rounded structures and smaller, branching ones.

Coral

The background of the image is a deep blue ocean filled with a massive school of small, silvery fish swimming in various directions. The water has a slight greenish tint towards the surface. In the upper right corner, a bright, overexposed sun creates a lens flare effect, casting light rays across the scene. The overall atmosphere is one of a vast, natural underwater environment.

# Fisheries

A photograph of a coastal scene. In the foreground, a large concrete seawall runs diagonally from the bottom left towards the center. A person wearing a bright yellow raincoat and dark pants stands on the right side of the wall, looking out over the water. The water is slightly choppy, and a small, flat-topped island or rock formation is visible in the distance. The sky is overcast with a mix of grey and pale blue. The overall atmosphere is somber and suggests a post-industrial or rural setting.

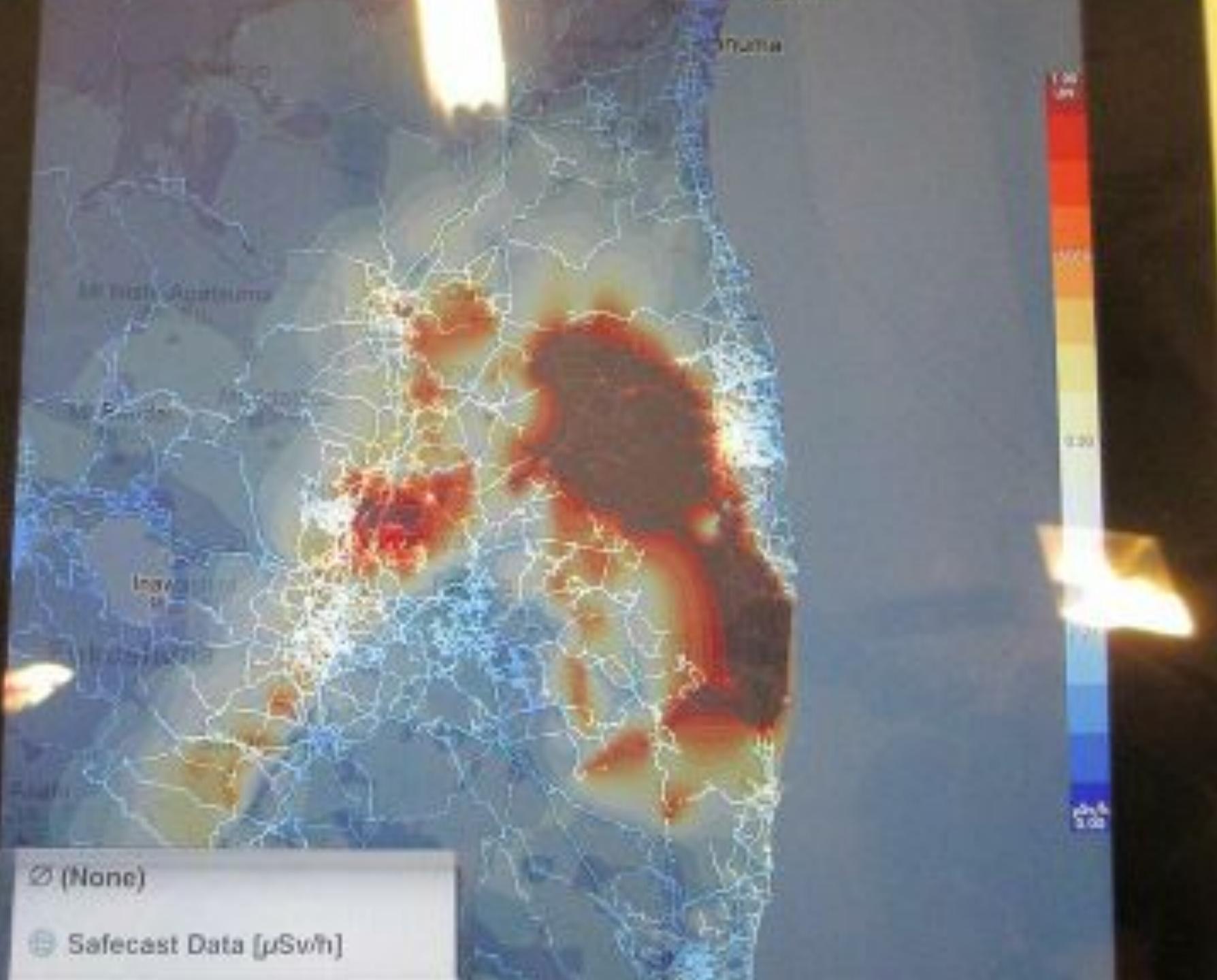
# Radioactivity

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We arrived in Minamisoma, which is just south of the new exclusion zone. Exact location map.

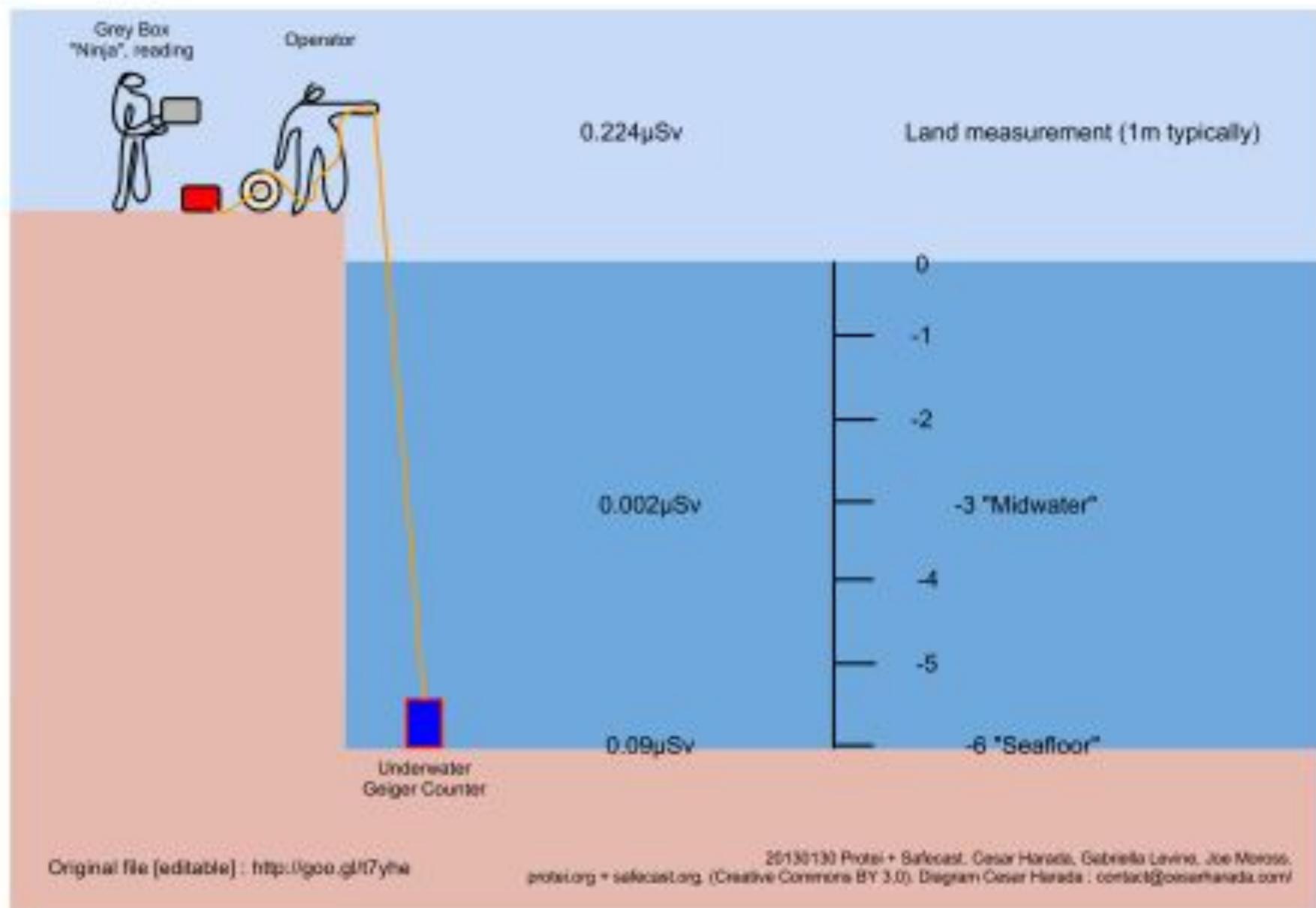


We tested Protei via a in the water. The electro-mechanics are working well but it lacked ballast (weight at the bottom of the keel): the wind fastened it on the water and careless transport later broke the mast. We'll work on the build again soon. Because we were in Fukushima, we focused not on Protei itself but on the radioactivity sensing part.



We tested our freshly built underwater gripper container up to 6-meter depth without breaking damage to the sensor.

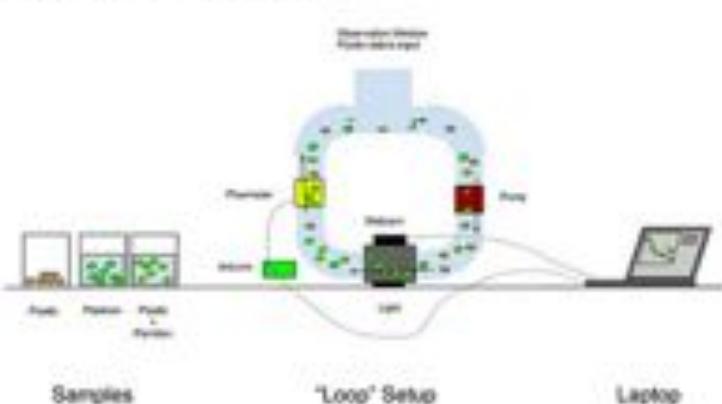
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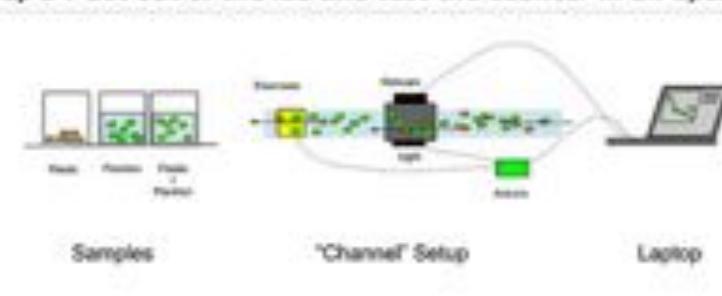
A photograph of a vast expanse of blue ocean. In the foreground and middle ground, there is a significant amount of dark, weathered plastic debris floating on the surface. A small sailboat with a bright yellow sail is visible in the upper left quadrant. Another smaller boat or piece of debris is visible in the upper right. The water has some small white caps, suggesting a breezy day.

# Plastic

Step 2 : Create a loop where water flows carrying plastic debris as well as plankton and contaminated plastic debris.



Step 3 : Get out of the lab and test the counter in an open channel.



Step 4 : try out a stack of channels in the open sea.









Competition

## WaveGlider



## Saildrone



## Protei



Size  
Speed  
Payload  
Endurance  
Price  
Status

2.9 m Long  
1-2 knots avg speed  
45 kg payload  
6 months  
250'000 USD  
Commercial

5.7 m Long  
3-5 knots avg speed  
100 kg payload  
2100 N miles in 34 days  
<30'000 USD / day  
Not commercial yet

4 m Long  
1-3 knots avg speed  
50 kg payload  
needs further testing  
750 USD (estimate)  
Beta release April 2014

Intellectual  
property  
open hardware

Everyone is FREE to

- Use
- Modify
- Distribute



In exchange one must

- Credit "Protei"
- Share finding with community

# Open Hardware Documentation



Photos, videos

Technical drawings

CAD, 3D files

Code

Specifications,  
performances

Components,  
retailers

Eagle files

Version control

People & Values

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## Protei



PLAY VIDEO

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BACKERS

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PLEDGED OF \$27,000 GOAL

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SECONDS TO GO

### FUNDING SUCCESSFUL

This project successfully reached its funding goal on April 11, 2011.

### PLEDGE \$1 OR MORE

11 BACKERS

Insider updates of Protei ahead of public releases on the Kickstarter blog.

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### PLEDGE \$5 OR MORE

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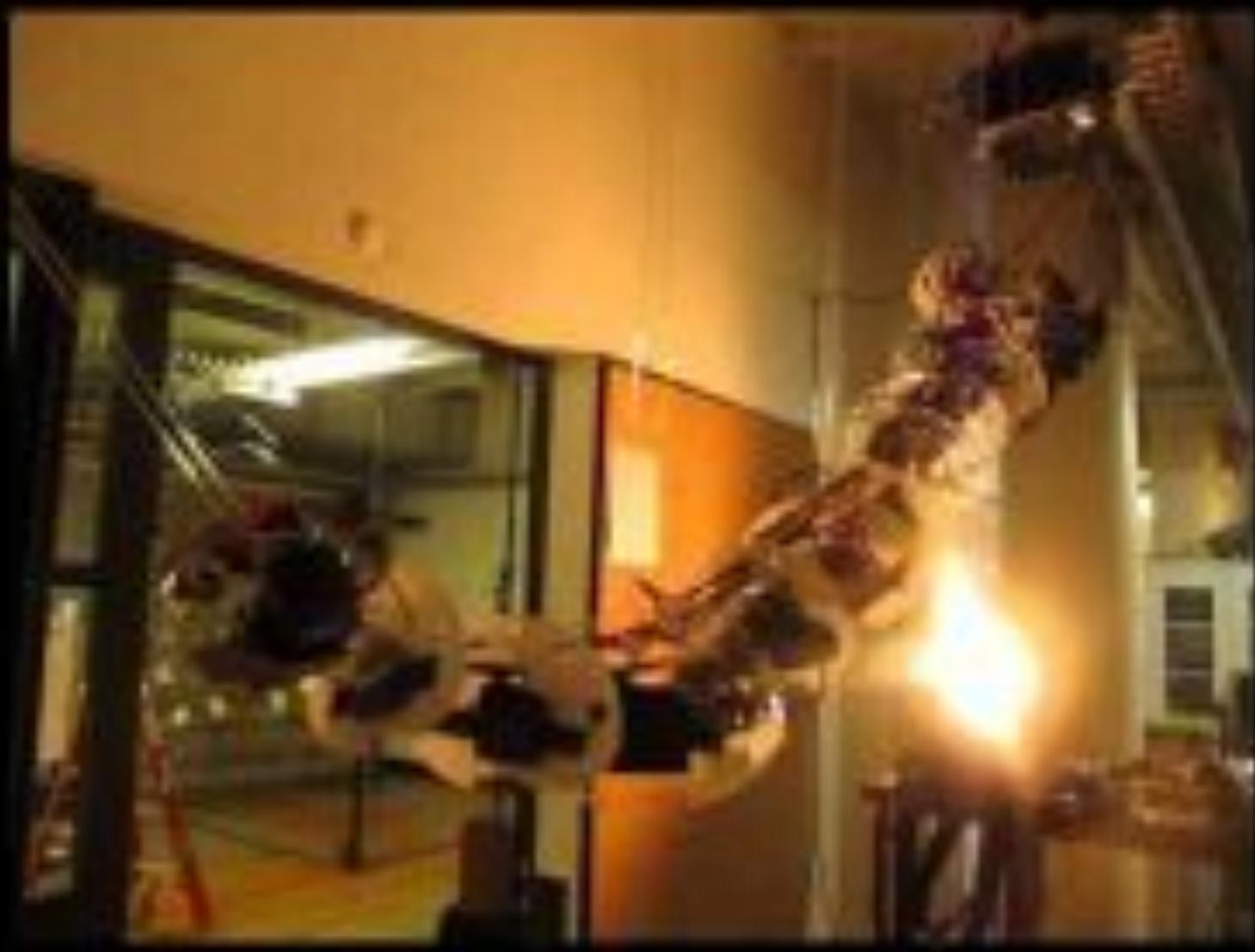
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### ABOUT THIS PROJECT

We are developing Protei - a low-cost open-source oil collecting robot that autonomously sails upwind, intercepting oil streams going downwind. Protei combines conventional technologies in an innovative design that we can implement in the short term to address timely environmental crises such as the BP Oil Spill, cleaning the ocean gyre garbage patches or performing ocean research. We need your help to build our next prototype of Protei - the first articulated sailing boat that can tack upwind carrying a long heavy payload and initiating a revolutionary family in ocean robotics. <http://protei.org>

### A situation we must change

Current Oil spill skimming technology was able to collect only 20% of the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. The health of remediation workers was





# Business as usual priorities

Profit

Technology

People

Environment

# Protei Priorities

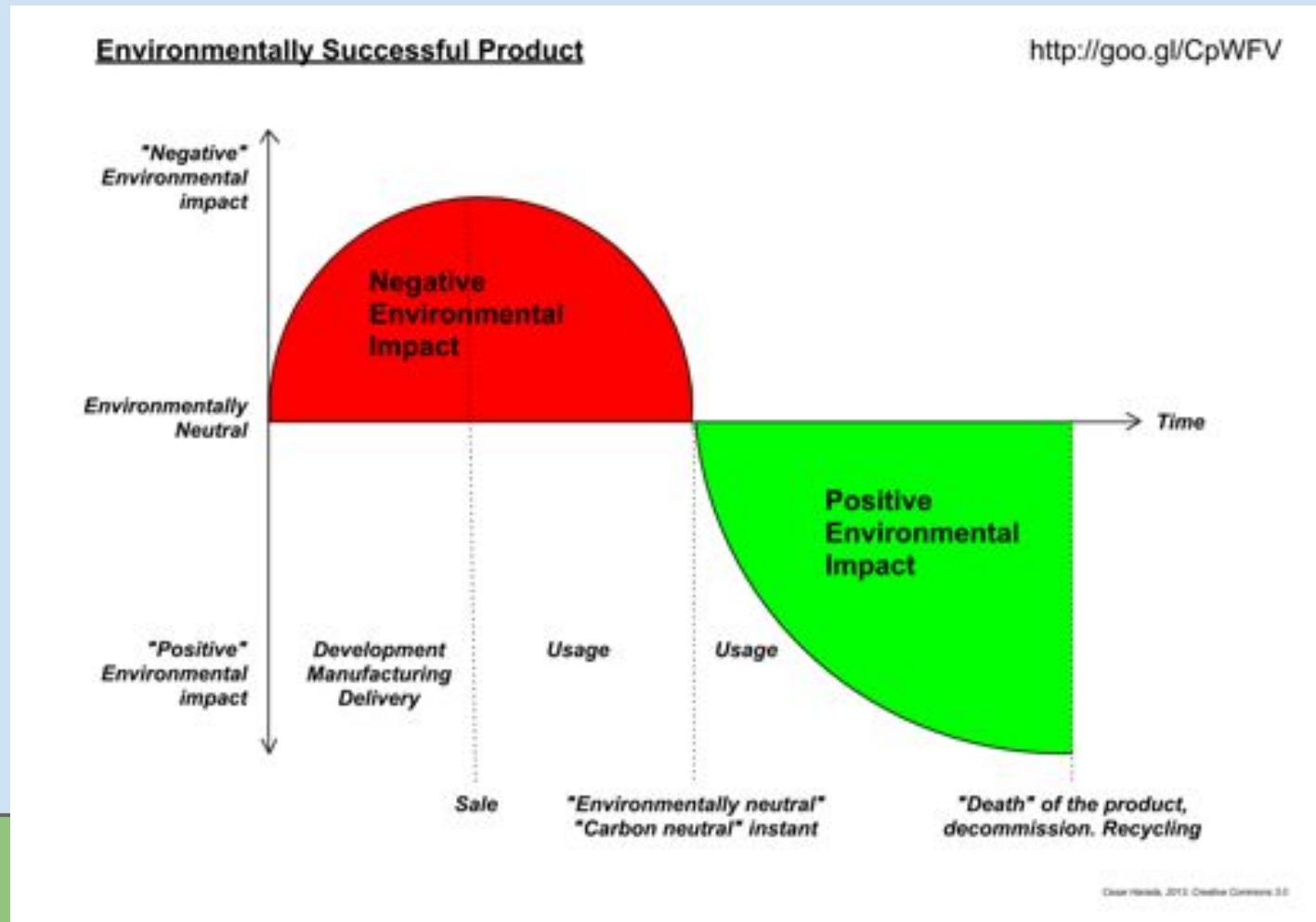
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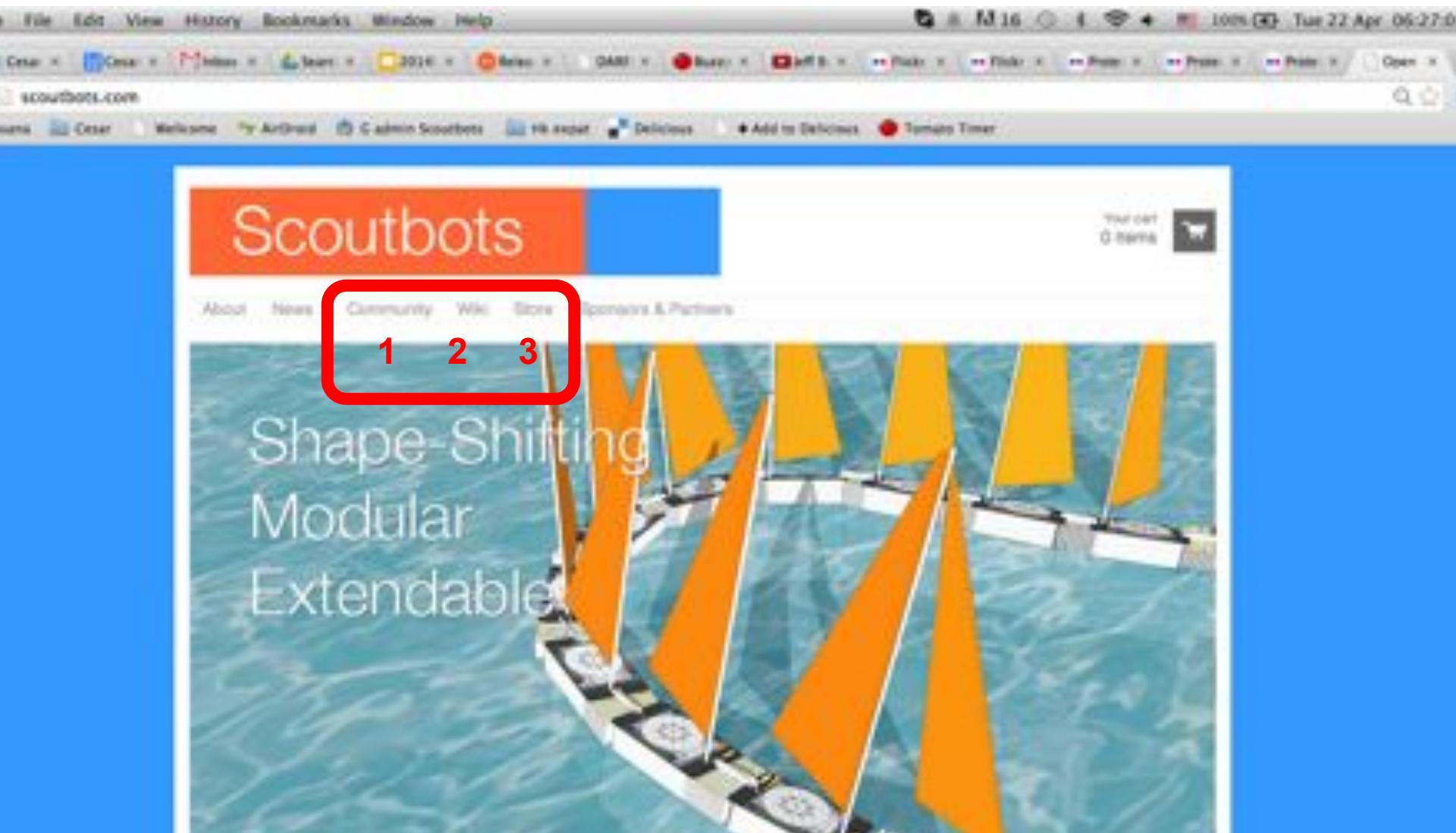
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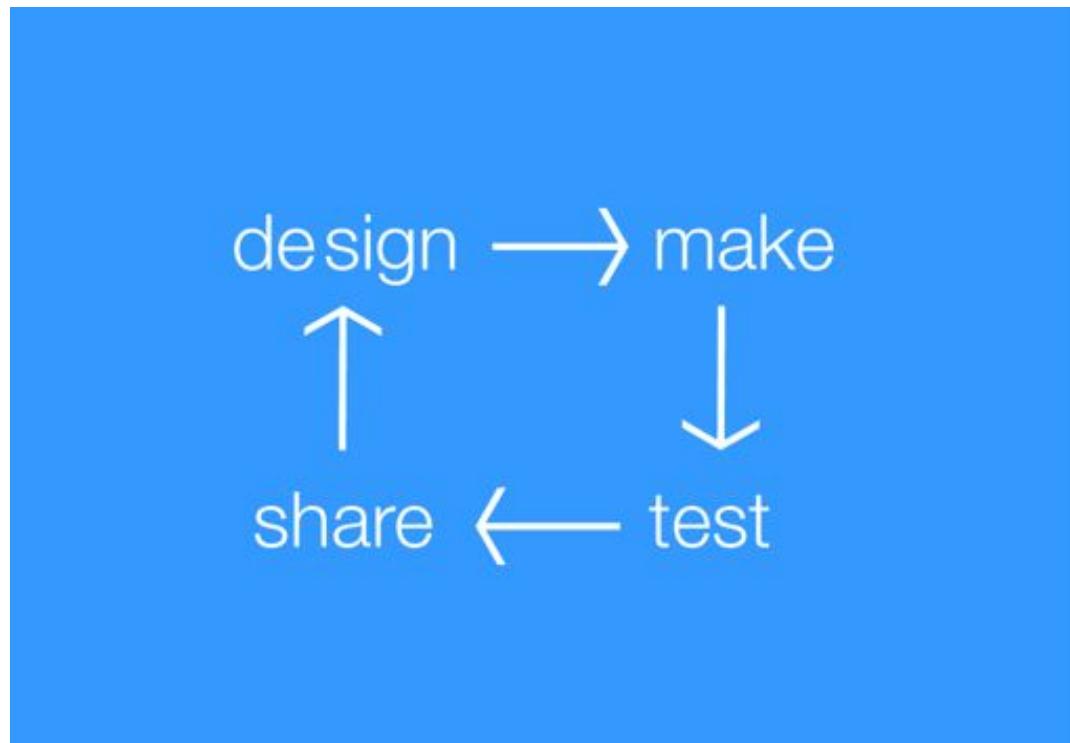
# Environmentally Successful



# New Website : Social R&D

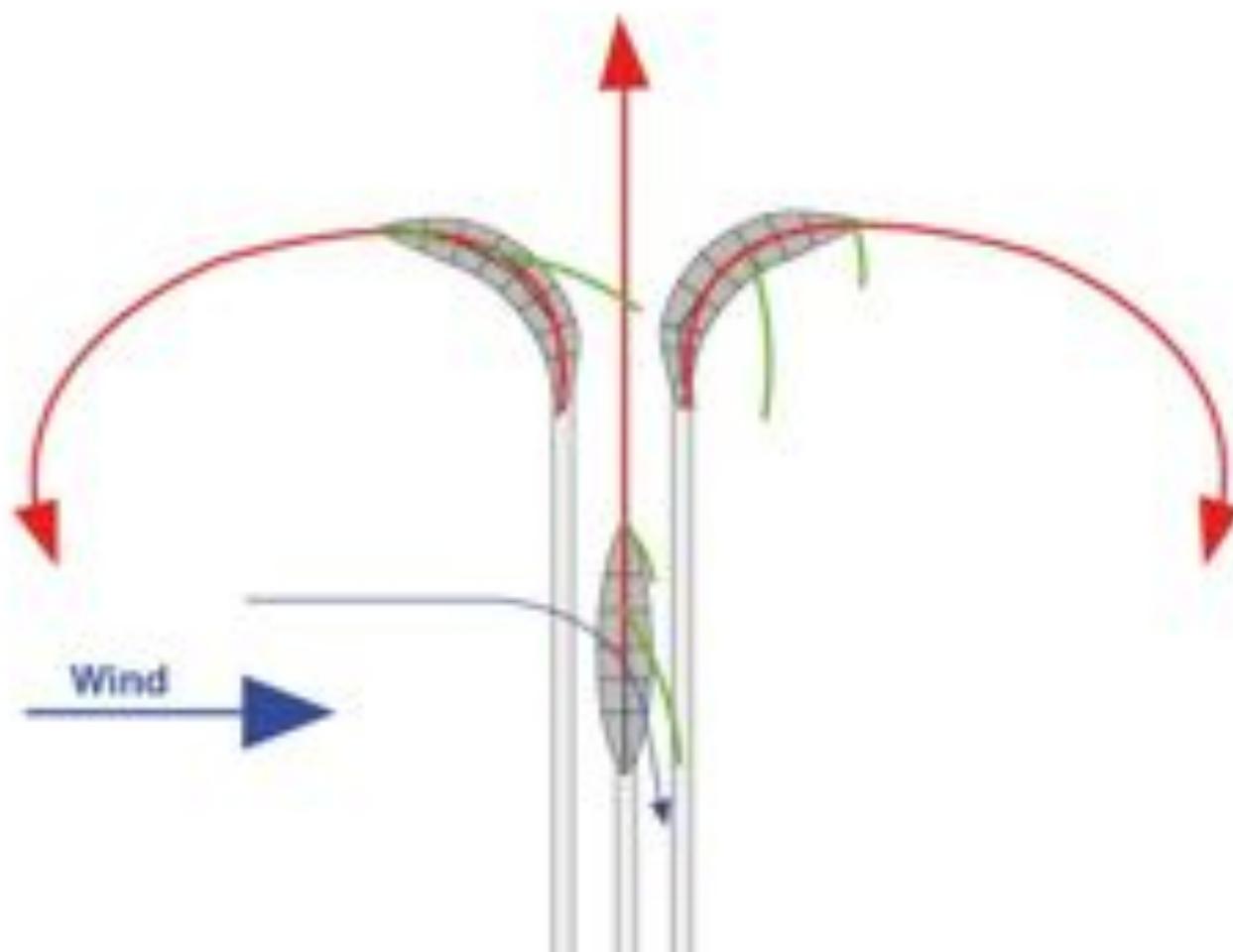


1. Community : discuss, invent
2. Wiki : document, learn, support
3. Store : Sell

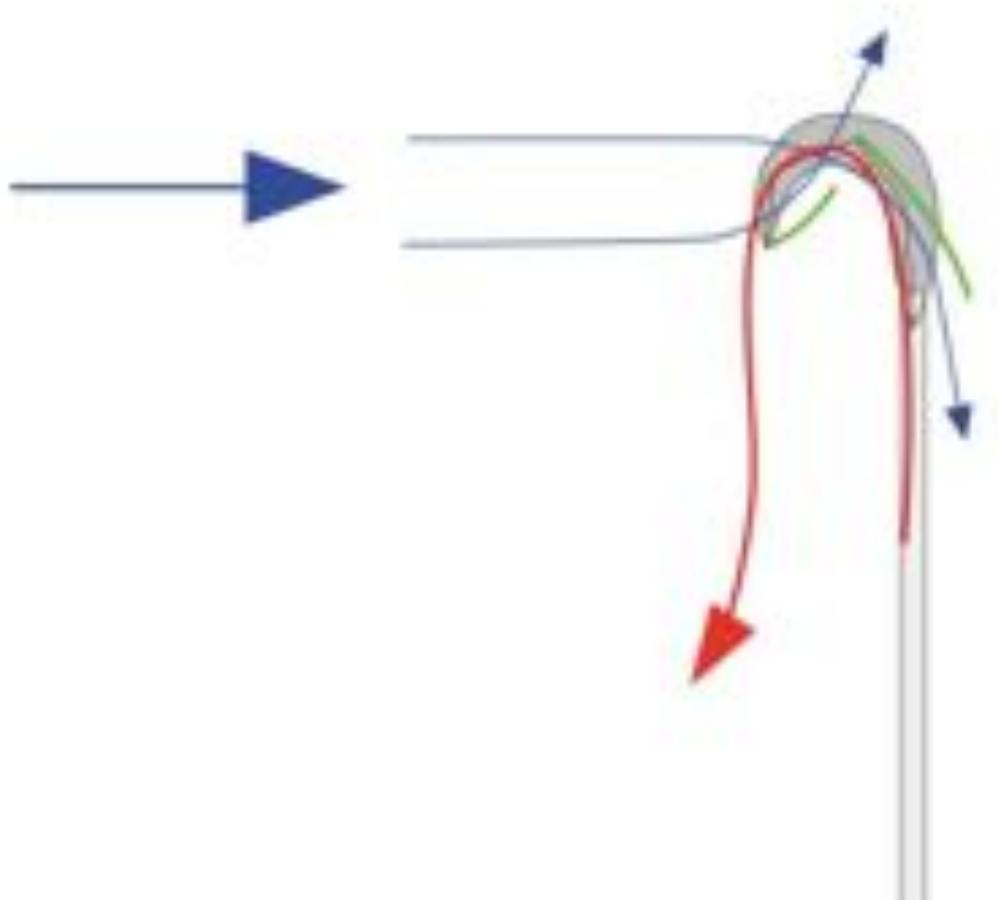


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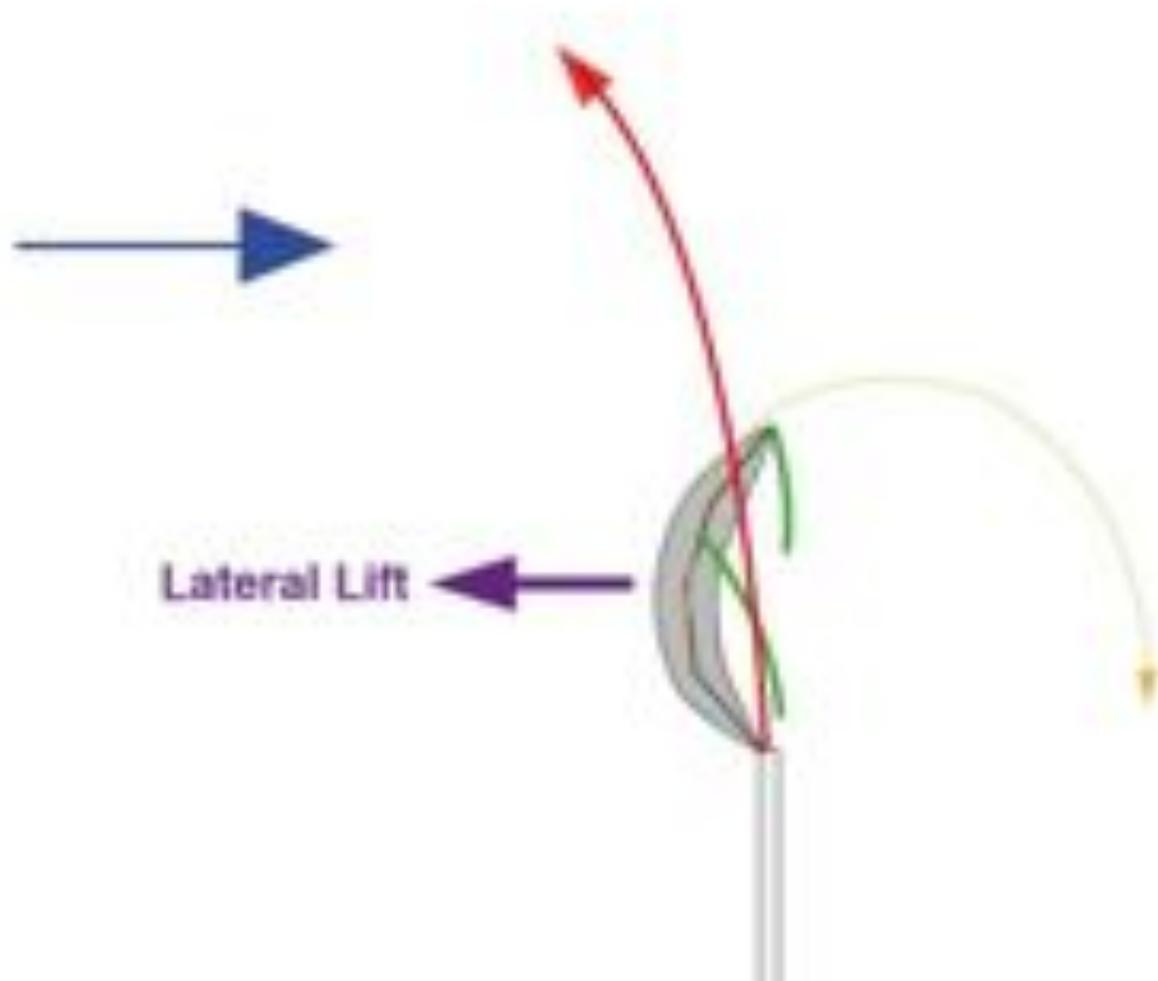
# Trajectory & Stability



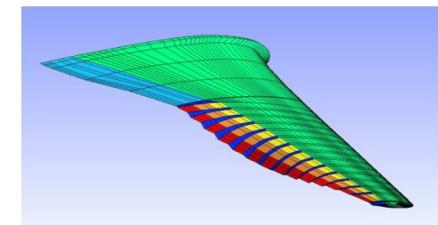
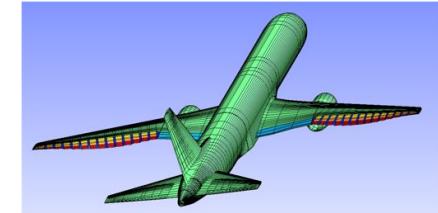
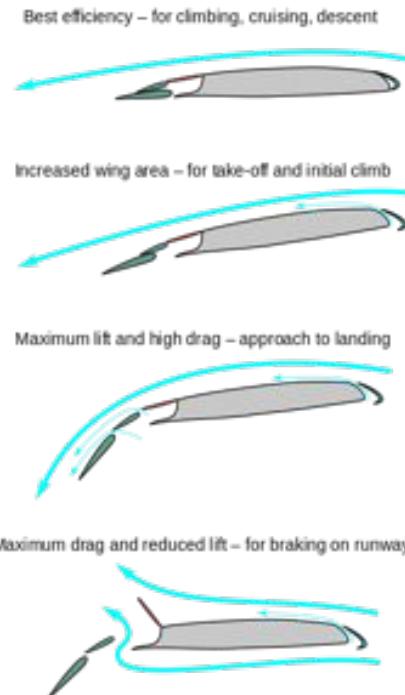
# Maneuverability



# Lateral Lift



# The future of Aero & Hydrodynamics



NASA Boeing “Flexible wing control [...] Weight reductions of 25% and aspect-ratio increases of 30-40% for cantilever wings”. Enter service 2025

Airbus A319



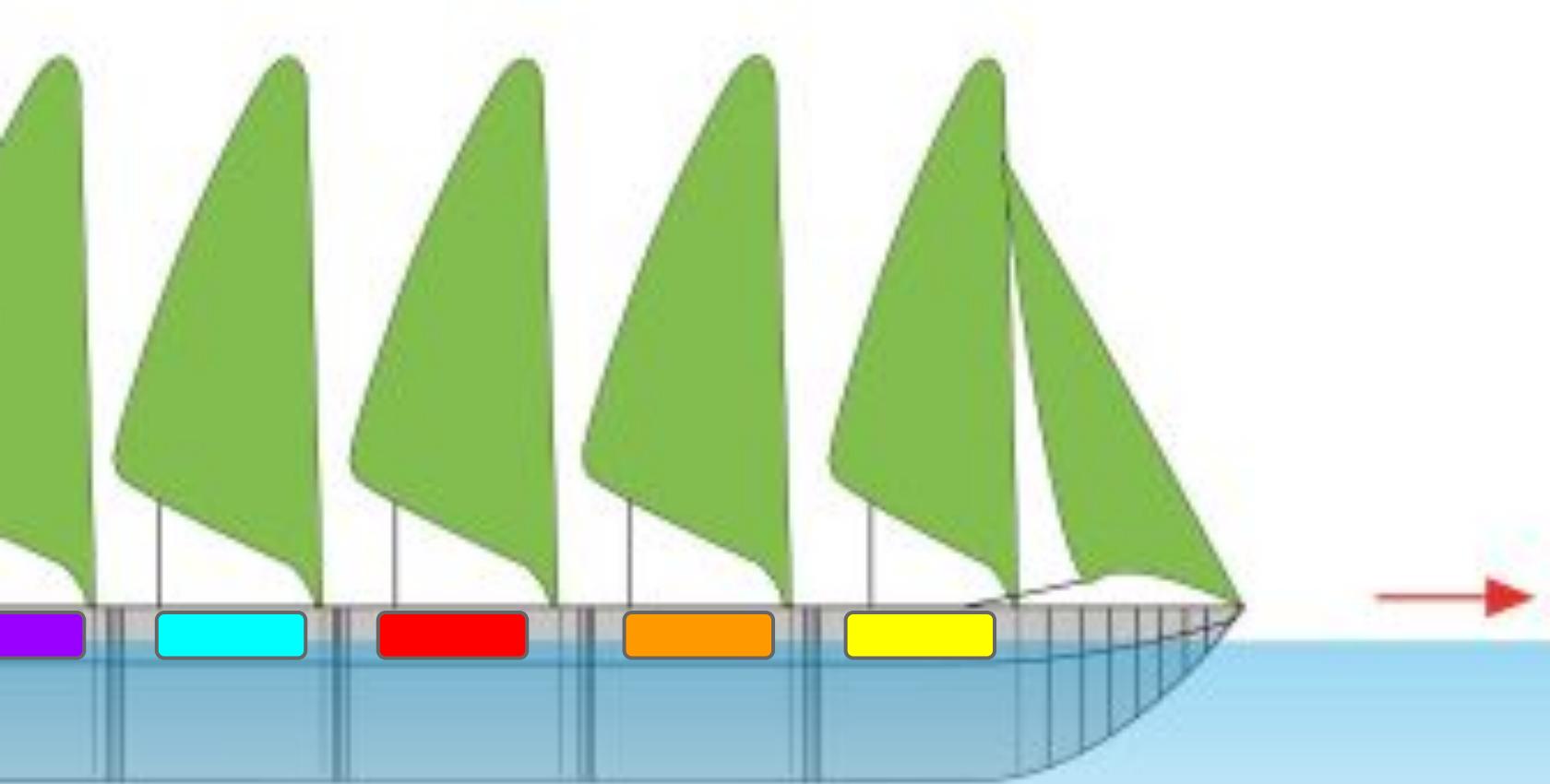
# Less resistance & Turbulence



# Absorbing "noise"



# Modular, Energy efficient



# Electrical Engineering

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# Computer Science & Engineering

# Architectures

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App on board

Web interface

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# Evolute



RC hobby  
250m



Arduino  
500m



Android  
3.5km

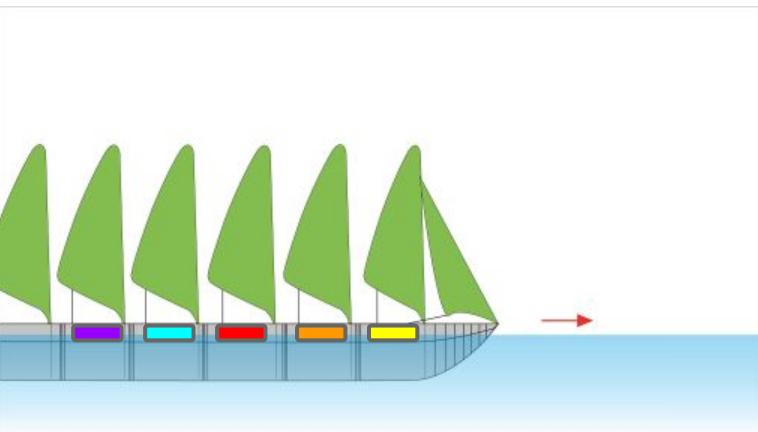


Iridium  
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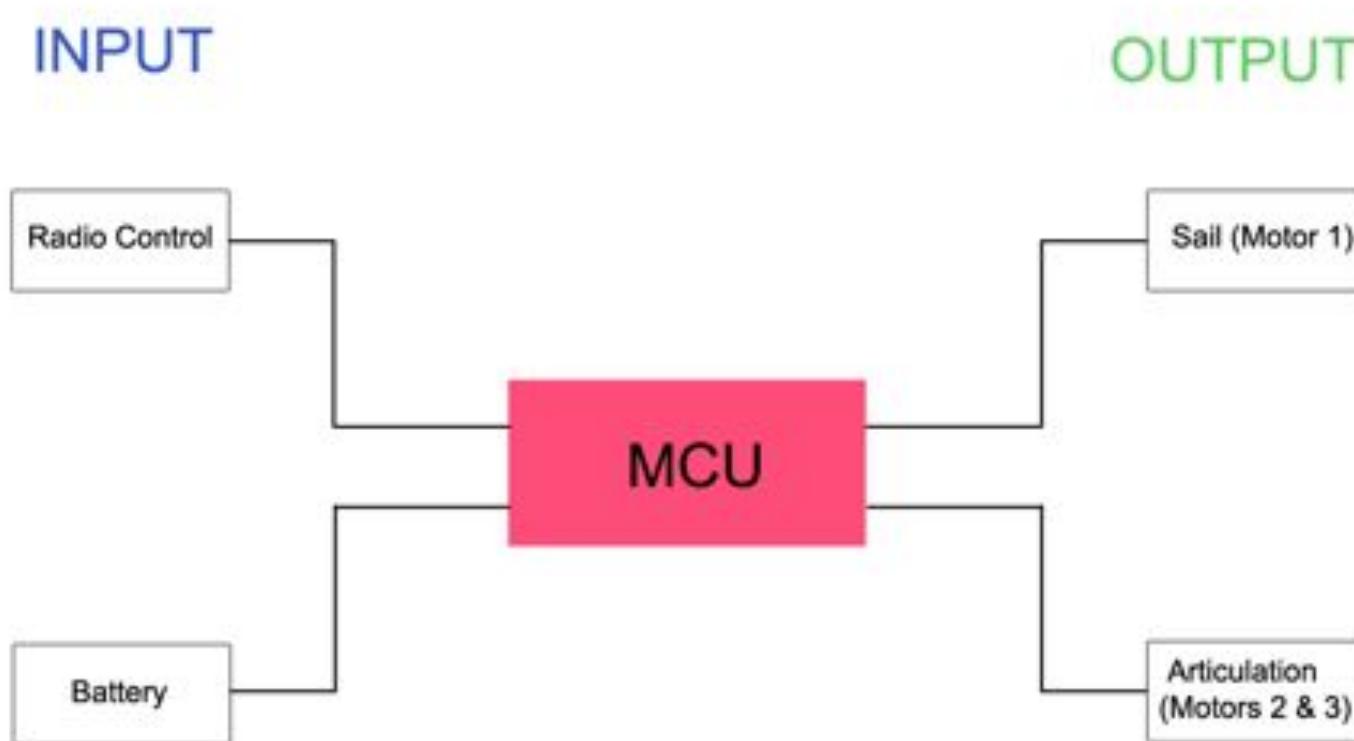


# Typical Time Scales

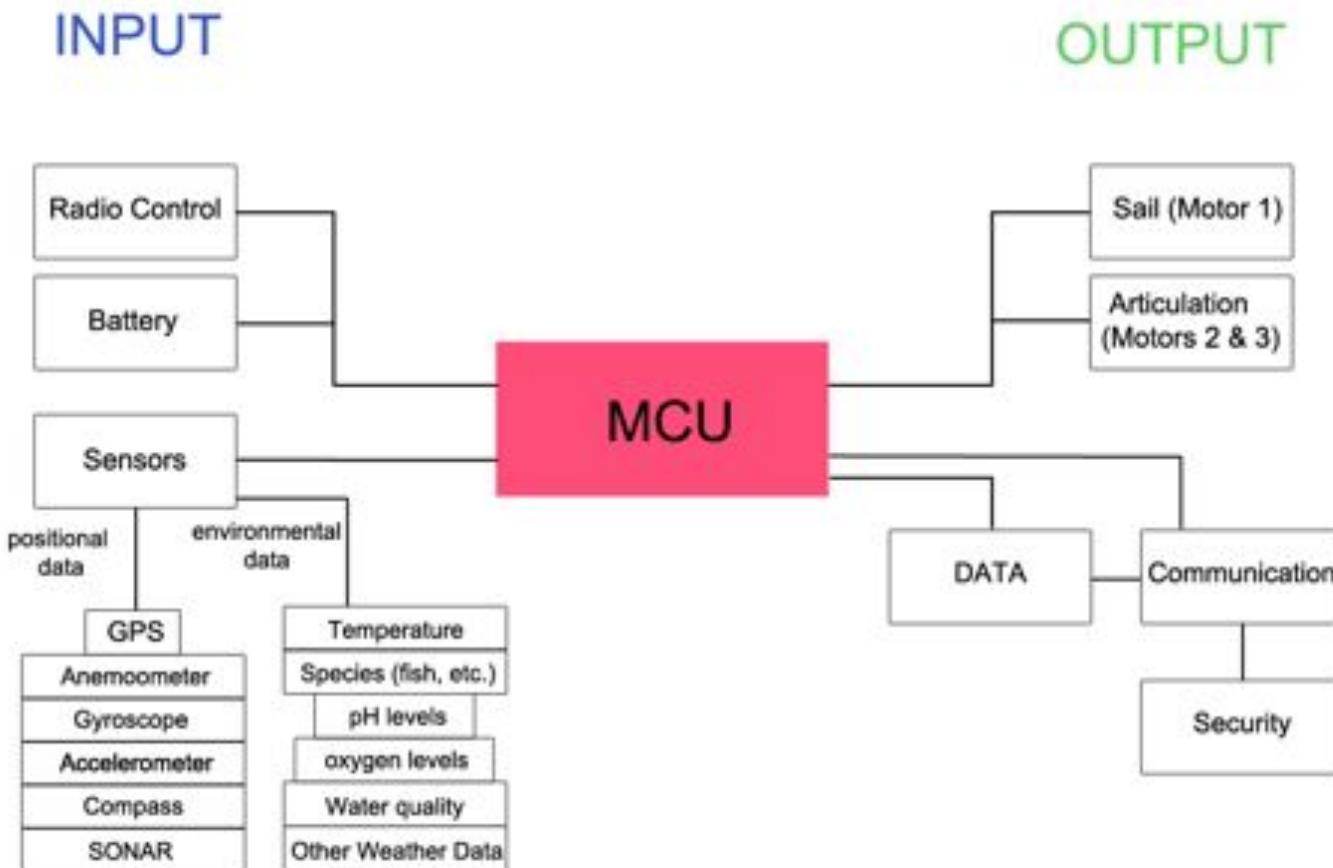
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3. Mission rental (weeks)
4. Module rental (days)
5. Test (minutes)



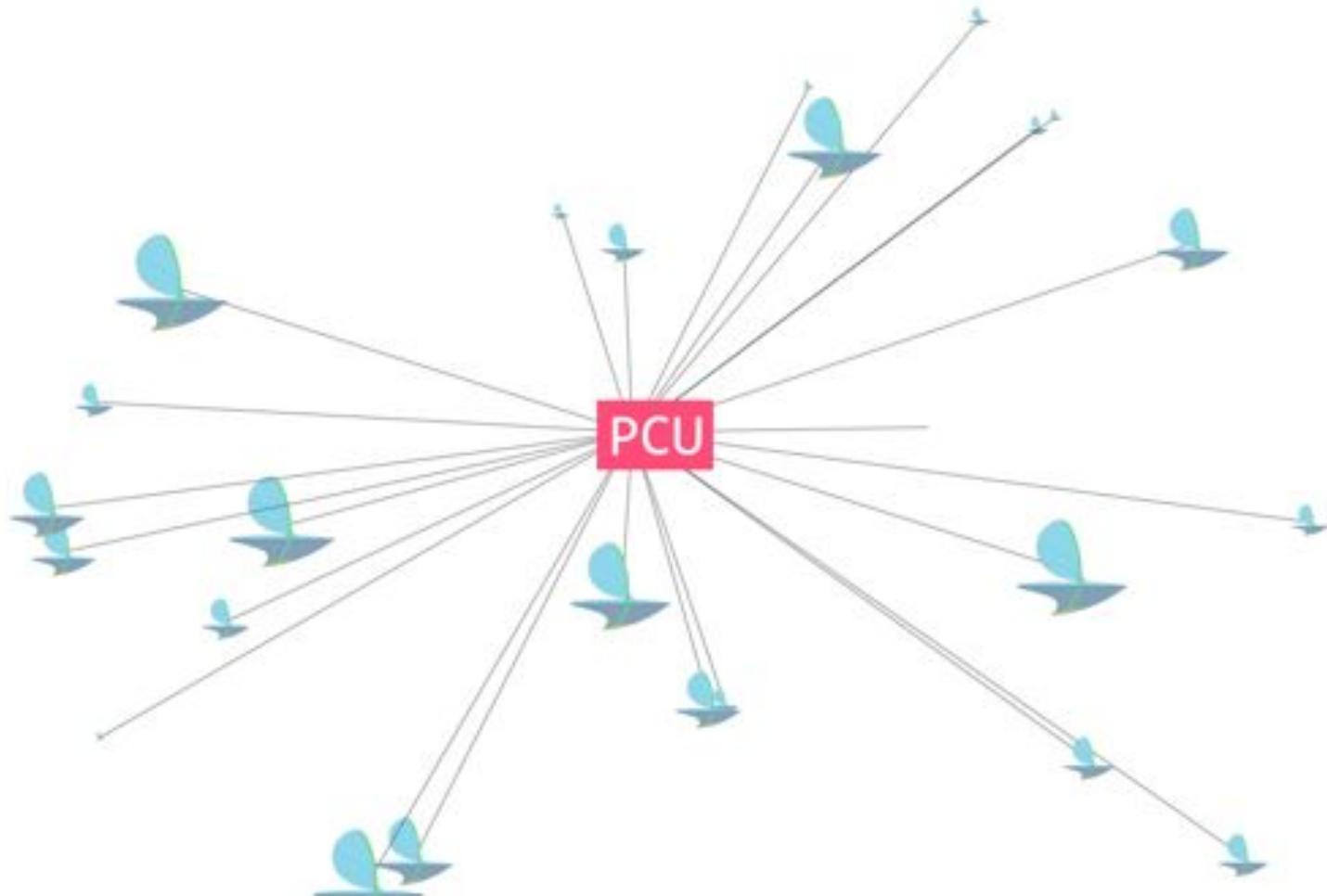
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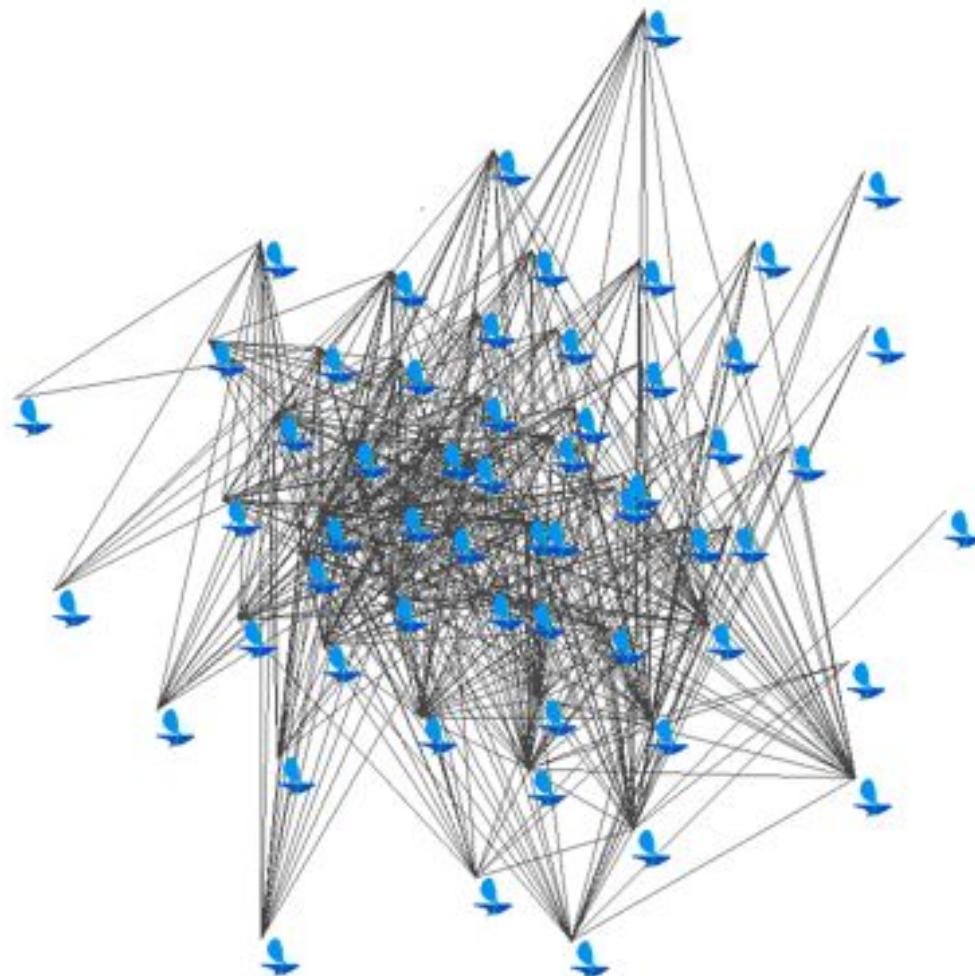
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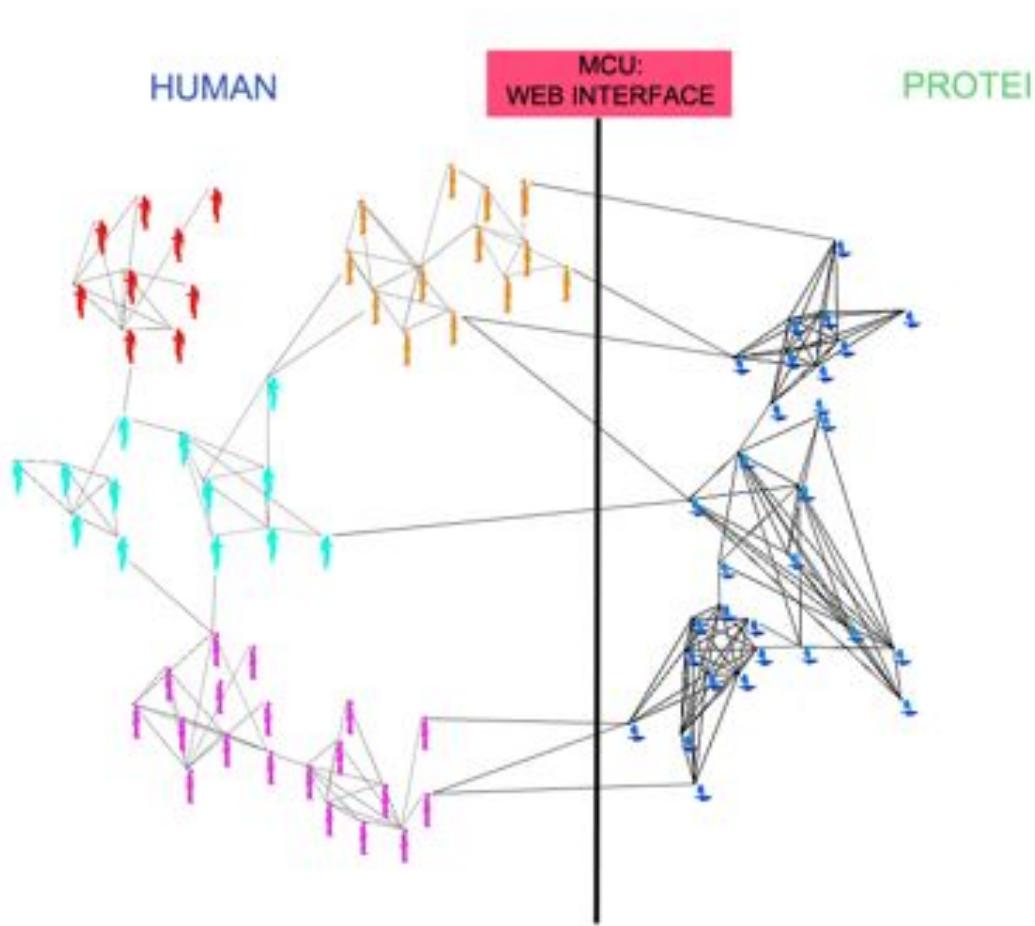
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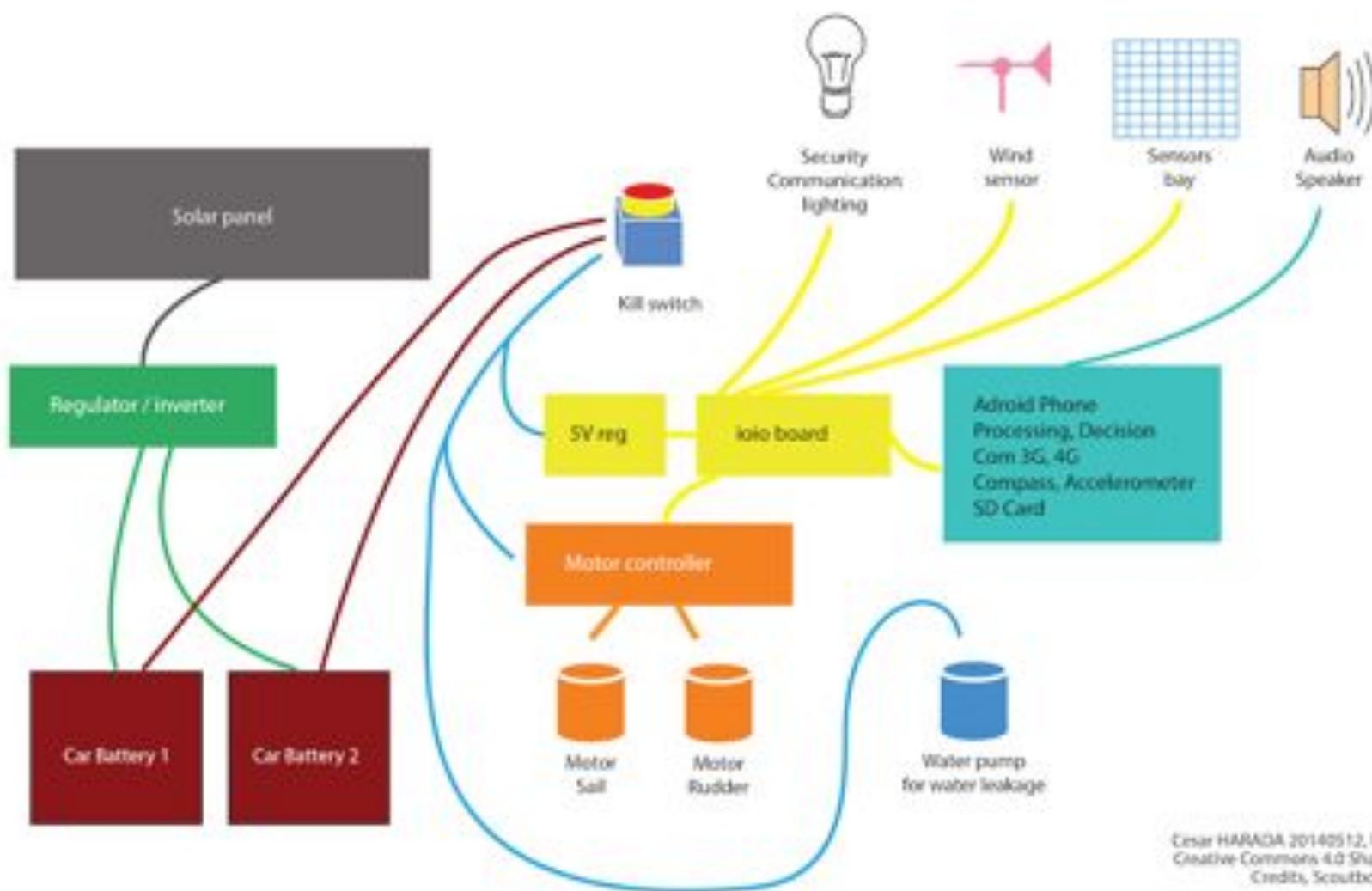
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# Real-type, immersive



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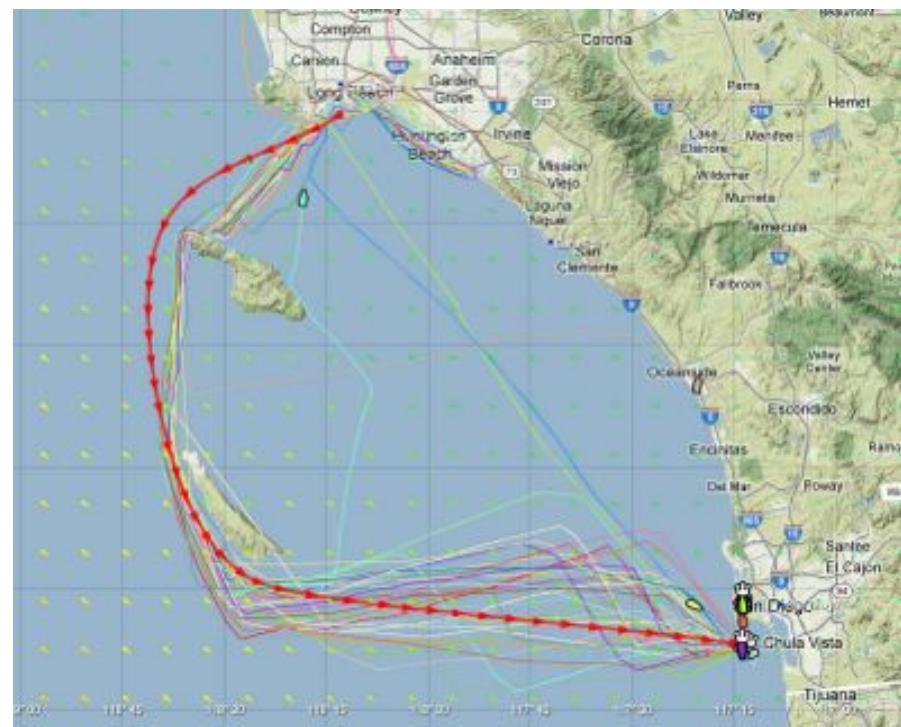
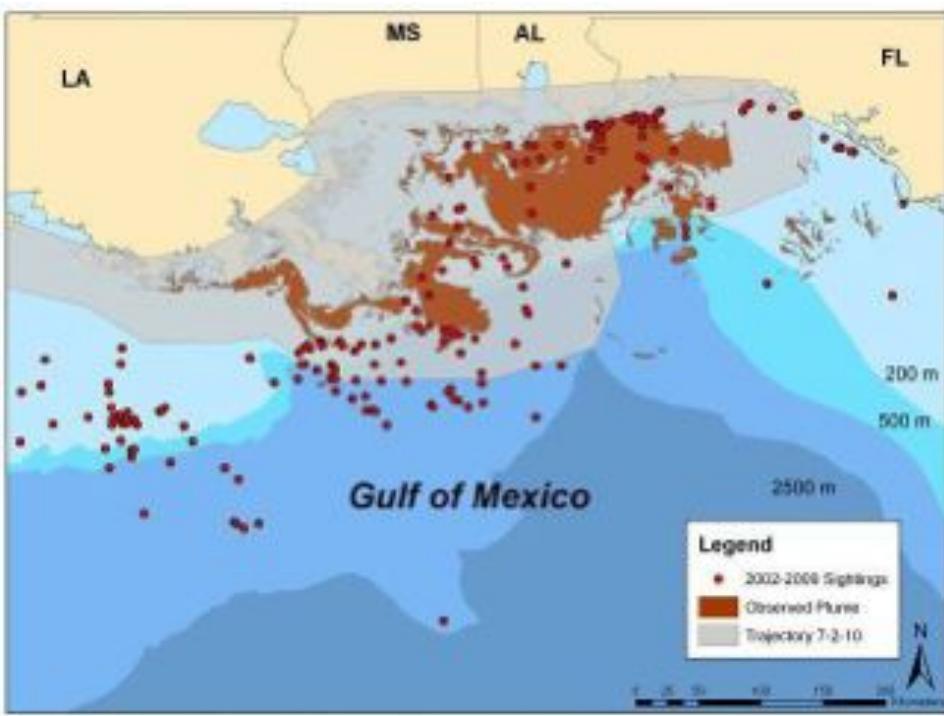
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# Long term, strategic



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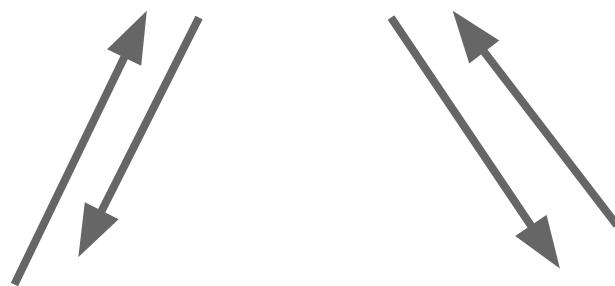
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# Server app



Robot app



User app

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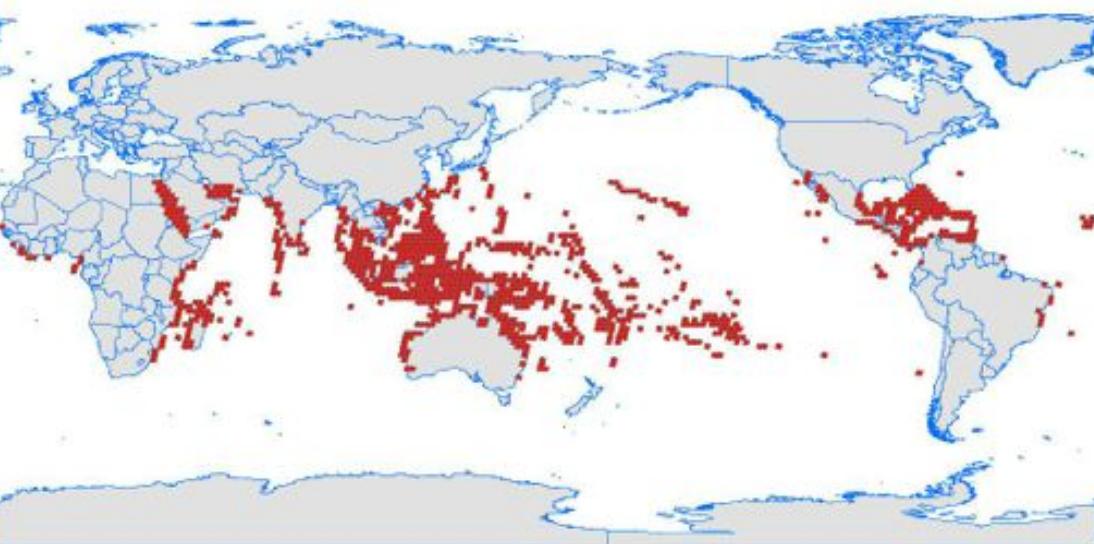
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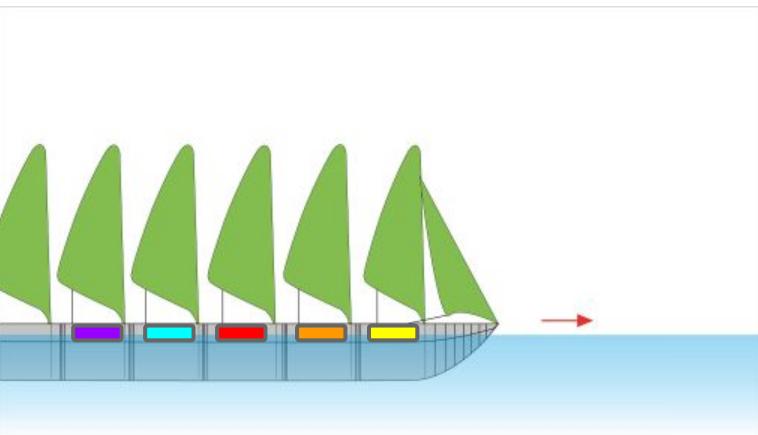
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# Coral reefs



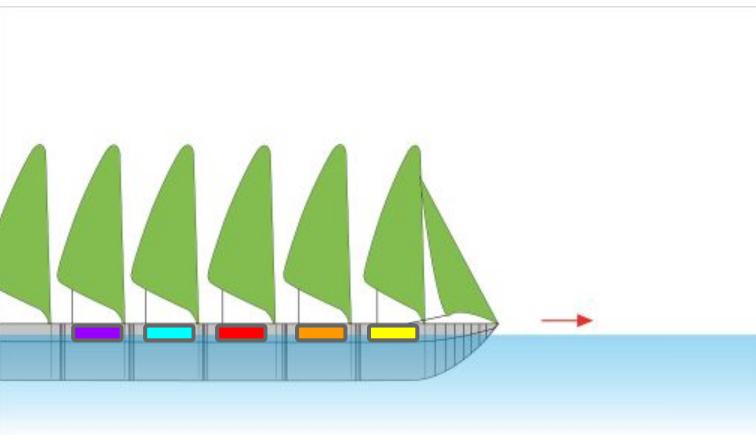
# Style

1. Competition
2. Cooperation
3. Team VS Team
4. Survival



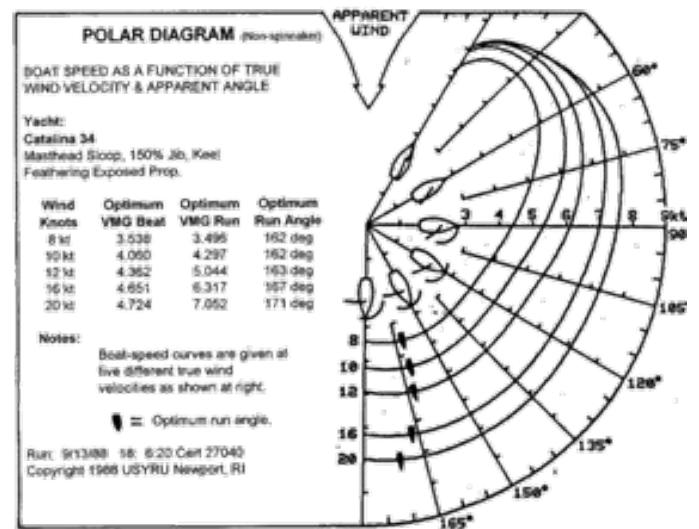
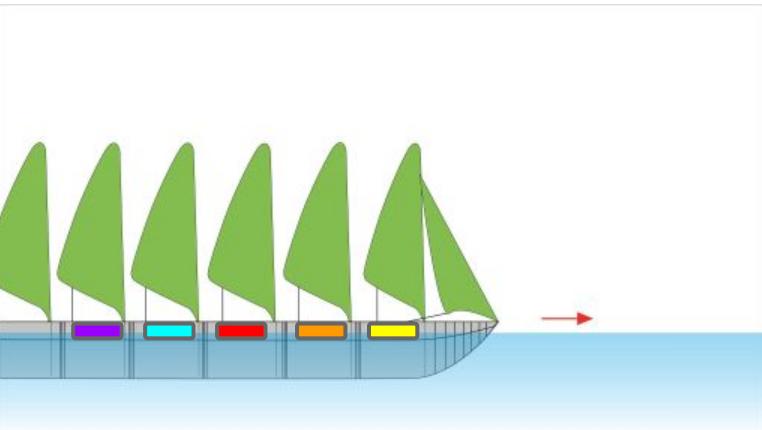
# Incentives

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2. Clean (collecting stuff, industrial)
3. Transport
4. Communication
5. Money?
6. Warfare?

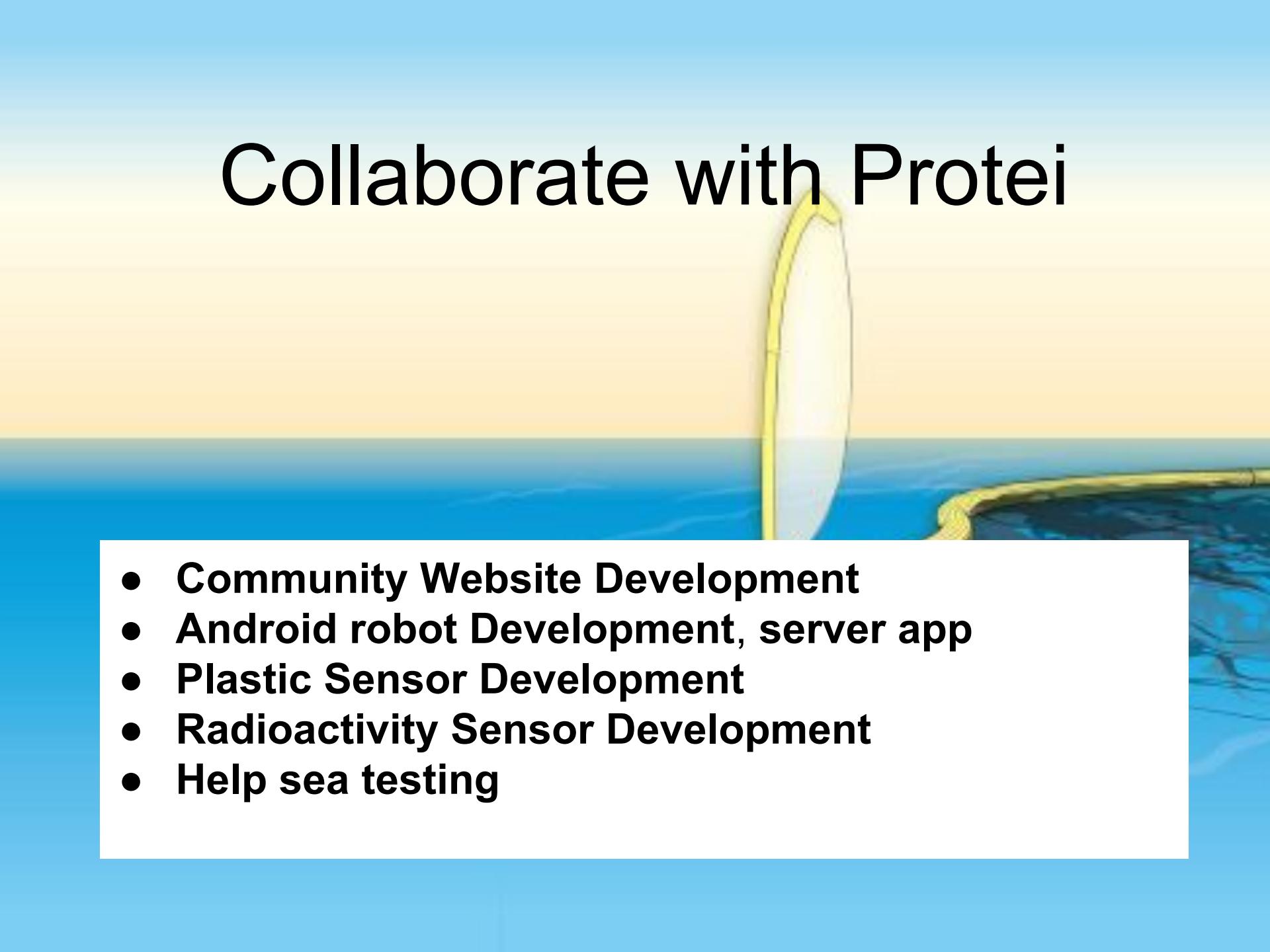


# Character Design

- Small & Fast
- Big & Slow
- Colorful
- Stealth



# Collaborate with Protei



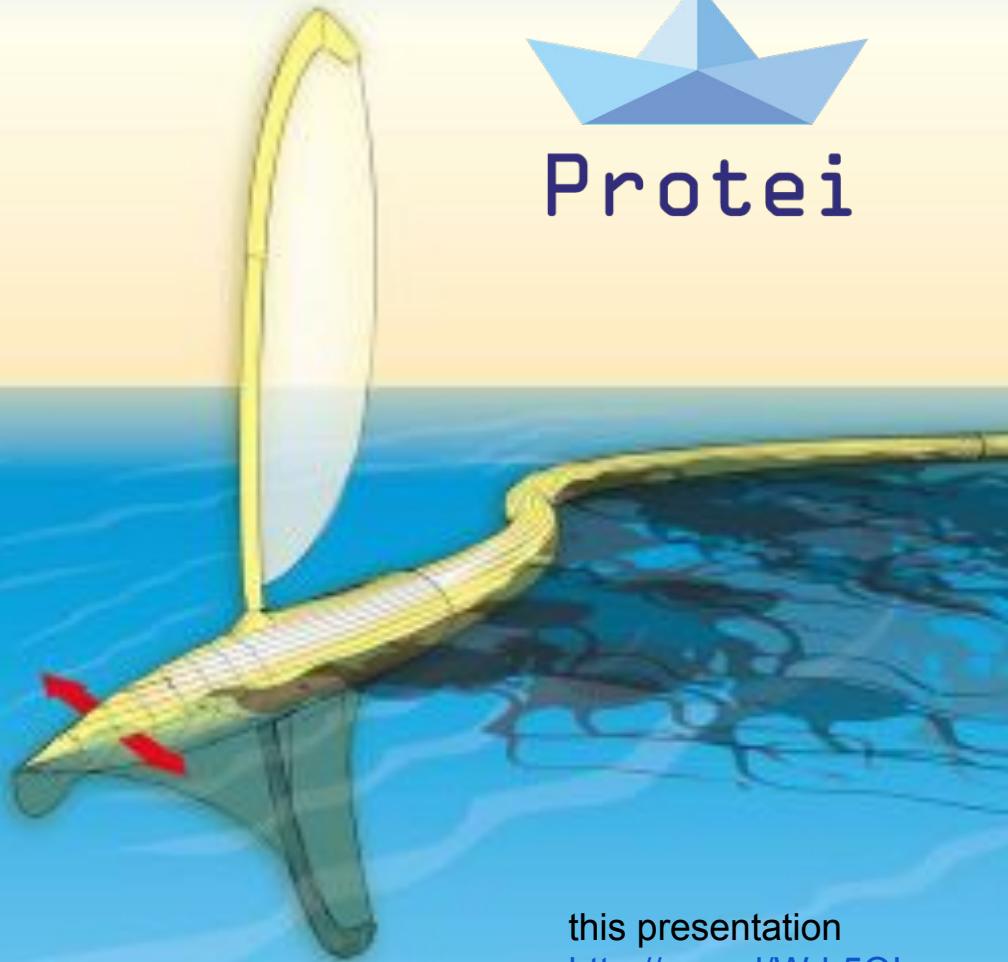
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