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This book provides an introduction to the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) for the geographic observation and spatial analysis of urban areas. The velocity of urban change necessitates observation platforms that not only enhance situational awareness for planning and allied analytical efforts, but also provide the ability to rapidly and inexpensively collect data and monitor change. UAVs can accomplish both of these tasks, but their use in urban environments is loaded with social, operational, regulatory and technical challenges that must be addressed for successful deployments. The book provides a resource for educators and students who work with geographic information and are seeking to enhance these data with the use of unmanned aerial vehicles. Topics covered include, 1) a primer on UAVs and the many different ways they can be used for geographic observation, 2) a detailed overview on the use of aviation maps and charts for operating UAVs in complex urban airspace, 3) techniques for integrating UAV-derived data with more traditional geographic information, 4) application of spatial analytical tools for urban and environmental planning, and 5) an exploration of privacy and public safety issues associated with UAV operation. "The past few years witnessed a major revolution in the area of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), commonly known as drones, due to significant technological advances across various drone-related fields ranging from embedded systems to autonomy, control, security, and communications. These unprecedented recent advances in UAV technology have made it possible to widely deploy drones across a plethora of application domains ranging from delivery of goods to surveillance, environmental monitoring, track control, remote sensing, and search and rescue. In fact, recent reports from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) anticipate that sales of UAVs may exceed 7 million in 2020 and many industries are currently investing in innovative drone-centric applications and research. To enable all such applications, it is imperative to address a plethora of research challenges pertaining to drone systems, ranging from navigation to autonomy, control, sensing, navigation, and communications. In particular, the deployment of UAVs in tomorrow's smart cities, is largely contingent upon equipping them with effective means for communications and networking. To this end, in this book, we provide a comprehensive treatment of the wireless communications and networking research challenges and opportunities associated with UAV technology. This treatment begins in this chapter which provides an introduction to UAV technology and an in-depth discussion on the wireless communication and networking challenges associated with the introduction of UAVs."
worldwide. This volume provides a useful detailed review of 250 UAVs that examines their usefulness in enhancing profitability, yield, and quality of crop production. A detailed view of the recent trends indicates an increase in agricultural drone production. Millions of dollars have been invested in startups that produce agro-drones in past several years. North America, Europe, China and the Far East have excelled in offering a large number of UAV models. Some of them are versatile, a few are specific, and many of them are low cost. With so many drone models (over 1200) available, how do farmers and agricultural specialists choose the models best for them?


The worldwide expansion in the development and use of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) has rapidly spawned a patchwork of regulatory initiatives in the field. It is with the purpose of synthesising and clarifying this diverse body of international, regional and national law – and of indicating trends and areas of concern – that this extraordinary collection of expert essays has been compiled. The authors, working in many different parts of the world, are all in some way affiliated with the International Institute of Air and Space Law at Leiden University as either alumni, faculty members or students. With details of developments affecting countries in every continent, including Antarctica, the authors delve into the ways regulation of UAS is affected by such aviation law elements as the following: – insurance; – criminal and civil liability; – role of international and supranational agencies – International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), European Union (EU), European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), Association of Southeast Nations (ASEAN); – privacy and cyber security; and – civil UAS markets. Following detailed investigations of international and regional developments, the third section of the book covers a cross-section of national laws (Antarctica, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, China, Cyprus, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Mexico, The Netherlands, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovenia, South Africa, Suriname, Switzerland and Liechtenstein, Turkey, United Kingdom, and United States). The authors’ approaches throughout are both introductory, allowing those unfamiliar with the field to gain valuable insight into this fascinating and dynamic area, and also critical and focused, so that those more involved in the legal dimension of aviation law can further their knowledge. Without a doubt this work enriches the legal literature and encourages stakeholders in this burgeoning field of aviation law to further examine and challenge developments and trends in regulation and of practice. Lawyers, law firms, academics, governments, relevant governmental and non-governmental agencies, and strategic planners in the UAS industry will all welcome this ground-breaking resource.

Introduction to Unmanned Aircraft Systems surveys the fundamentals of unmanned aircraft system (UAS) operations, from sensors, controls, and automation to regulations, safety procedures, and human factors. It is designed for the student or layperson and thus assumes no prior knowledge of UASs, engineering, or aeronautics. Dynamic and well-illustrated, the first edition of this popular primer was created in response to a need for a suitable university-level textbook on the subject. Fully updated and significantly expanded, this new Second Edition: Reflects the proliferation of technological capability, miniaturization, and demand for aerial intelligence in a post-9/11 world Presents the latest major commercial uses of UASs and unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) Enhances its coverage with greater depth and support for more advanced coursework Provides material appropriate for introductory UAS coursework in both aviation and aerospace engineering programs Introduction to Unmanned Aircraft Systems, Second Edition capitalizes on the expertise of contributing authors to instill a practical, up-to-date understanding of what it takes to safely operate UASs in the National Airspace System (NAS). Complete with end-of-chapter discussion questions, this book makes an ideal textbook for a first course in UAS operations. Introduction to Unmanned Aircraft Systems, Third Edition surveys the basics of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), from sensors, controls, and automation to regulations, safety procedures, and human factors. Featuring chapters by leading experts, this fully updated bestseller fills the need for an accessible and effective university textbook. Focussing on the civilian applications of UAS, the text begins with an historical overview of unmanned aerial vehicles, and proceeds to examine each major UAS subsystem. Its combination of understandable technical coverage and up-to-date information on policy and regulation makes the text appropriate for both Aerospace Engineering and Aviation programs. Intelligent Autonomy of UAVs: Advanced Missions and Future Use provides an approach to the formulation of the fundamental task typical to any mission and provides guidelines of how this task can be solved by different generic robotic problems. As such, this book aims to provide a systems engineering approach to UAV projects, discovering the real problems that need to be resolved independently of the application. After an introduction to the rapidly evolving field of aerial robotics, the book presents topics such as autonomy, mission analysis, human-UAV teams, homogeneous and heterogeneous UAV teams, and finally, UAV-UGV teams. It then covers generic robotic problems such as
Introduction to Flight Testing

Introduction to Flight Testing provides an overview of the field of flight testing and introduces the concepts and practices that are essential for flight testing professionals. The book is designed to be a comprehensive resource for students, researchers, and practitioners in the field of flight testing.

The book consists of four main sections, namely, "Introduction," "Drone History," "Drone Design," and "Drone Applications." It aims to provide a unique combination of questions from many fields, including robotics, operational research, control theory, and computer science.

This is one of a series of systems engineering case studies prepared by the Air Force Center for Systems Engineering. The case study analyzes the Global Hawk Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV). The Global Hawk is an advanced intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance system composed of a high-altitude, long-endurance unmanned air vehicle (UAV) and a common ground segment (CGS) for command, control, and data collection. Its primary mission is to provide overt, continuous, long-endurance, all-weather, day/night, and near-real-time, wide-area reconnaissance and surveillance. The aircraft is coupled with an integrated ground-based Mission Control Element (MCE) and Launch and Recovery Element (LRE) that monitors autonomous flight and facilitates-aided control of the air vehicle, when required. The Global Hawk system consists of the aircraft, payloads, data links, ground stations, and logistics support package. The ground stations have the ability to provide command and control (C2) of up to three vehicles and at least one air vehicle payload from a single ground station. The study provides a wealth of technical information about the aircraft and its complex history. The Department of Defense is exponentially increasing the acquisition of joint complex systems that deliver needed capabilities demanded by our warfighter. Systems engineering is the technical and technical management process that focuses explicitly on delivering and sustaining robust, high-quality, affordable solutions. The Air Force leadership has collectively stated the need to mature a sound systems engineering process throughout the Air Force. Gaining an understanding of the past and distilling learning principles that are then shared with others through our formal education and practitioner support are critical to achieving continuous improvement. These cases support academic instruction on SE within military service academies, civilian and military graduate schools, industry continuing education programs, and those practicing SE in the field. Each of the case studies is comprised of elements of success as well as examples of SE decisions that, in hindsight, were not optimal. Both types of examples are useful for learning. Along with discovering historical facts, we have conducted key interviews with program managers and chief engineers, both within the government and those working for the various prime and subcontractors. From this information, we have concluded that the discipline needed to implement SE and the political and acquisition environment surrounding programs continue to challenge our ability to provide balanced technical solutions.

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Drone technologies have constantly been developing for over 100 years. The latest models exhibit a previously unseen set of specifications available to the end users. The collective effort of distinguished international researchers, within the field of drone technologies, has been incorporated into this textbook suitable to the broader audience. The book has been edited by Prof. George Dekoulis, Aerospace Engineering Institute (AEI), Cyprus, an expert on state-of-the-art implementations of reconfigurable space engineering systems. The book consists of four main sections, namely, "Introduction," "Drone History," "Drone Design," and "Drone Applications." We hope this book will be beneficial to professionals, researchers, and academicians and, moreover, to inspire the younger generations into pursuing relevant academic studies and professional careers within the drone industry.
introduction to the basic flight testing methods employed on general aviation aircraft and unmanned aerial vehicles. Introduction to Flight Testing provides a concise introduction to the basic flight testing methods employed on general aviation aircraft and unmanned aerial vehicles for courses in aeronautical engineering. There is particular emphasis on the use of modern on-board instruments and inexpensive, off-the-shelf portable devices that make flight testing accessible to nearly any student. This text presents a clear articulation of standard methods for measuring aircraft performance characteristics. Topics covered include aircraft and instruments, digital data acquisition techniques, flight test planning, the standard atmosphere, uncertainty analysis, level flight performance, airspeed calibration, stall, climb and glide, take-off and landing, level turn, static and dynamic longitudinal stability, lateral-directional stability, and flight testing of unmanned aircraft systems. Unique to this book is a detailed discussion of digital data acquisition (DAQ) techniques, which are an integral part of modern flight test programs. This treatment includes discussion of the analog-to-digital conversion, sample rate, aliasing, and filtering. These critical details provide the flight test engineer with the insight needed to understand the capabilities and limitations of digital DAQ. Key features: Provides an introduction to the basic flight testing methods and instrumentation employed on general aviation aircraft and unmanned aerial vehicles. Includes examples of flight testing on general aviation aircraft such as Cirrus, Diamond, and Cessna aircraft, along with unmanned aircraft vehicles. Suitable for courses on Aircraft Flight Test Engineering. Introduction to Flight Testing provides resources and guidance for practitioners in the rapidly-developing field of drone performance flight test and the general aviation flight test community. Lange kamen Drohnen hauptsächlich bei mehr oder weniger geheimen militärischen Missionen in Konfliktgebieten zum Einsatz, ferngesteuert von Soldaten in einem sicheren Bunker. Heute kommt es nicht selten vor, dass man beim Blick in den Himmel auch über Strassen und öffentlichen Plätzen zivile Drohnen entdeckt – sie sind zum Preis von wenigen Hundert Franken inzwischen für jedermann erhältlich. Doch nicht nur in der Freizeit sind Drohnen mittlerweile im Einsatz, sondern auch auf Baustellen, in der Landwirtschaft, bei der Videoüberwachung, für Vermessungs und Forschungszwecke sowie in der Medienberichterstattung. In einem ersten Teil fasst diese Studie das Wissen zu den begrifflichen, technischen und wirtschaftlichen Aspekten der Drohnentechnologie zusammen. Es folgen eine Einschätzung zu den zukünftigen Entwicklungen sowie eine Analyse der Rezeption in der internationalen Fachliteratur und in den Medien der Deutsch- und Westschweiz. Der zweite Teil präsentiert die gegenwärtige Gesetzeslage in der Schweiz sowie im Ausland. Schliesslich erfolgt eine strategische Beurteilung der Drohnentechnologie, die sich auf die Befragung von rund 60 Technologieexpertinnen und -experten sowie weiteren Stakeholdern stützt. Zu Wort kommen dabei insbesondere auch kritisch eingestellte Akteure wie Umweltschutzorganisationen. Schliesslich folgen, nach absteigender Priorität aufgegliedert, sieben Handlungsempfehlungen für die Politik: Drohnen sind mittlerweile zu intelligenten Systemen für Industrie 4.0 herangereift. Die neuen Flugroboter verfügen über Sicherheitstechnologien, Flugzeiten und Zuladegewichte, die für den Einsatz in der Energiewirtschaft, Behörden der Sicherheit und Verteidigung, Agrarwirtschaft, Kommunikation und Infrastruktur zunehmend nutzbar sind. Genau hier setzen die Autoren – Fachjournalisten mit Insiderwissen über Technik, Markt und Kundensicht – mit ihrem Buch an. Das kompakte Fachbuch gibt praktischen Einblick in den Aufbau und die Technik von Drohnen, sog. Multicoptern. Es zeigt zudem die Einsatzgebiete von Industriedrohnen und erläutert die wichtigsten gesetzlichen Regelungen und Vorschriften für Entscheider aus der Wirtschaft, in denen smarte Robotik aus der Luft relevant wird. Praxisbeispiele aus verschiedenen Branchen und Basisanforderungen an die Industriedrohne – dargestellt in übersichtlichen Tabellen – runden das Buch ab. Das Buch richtet sich an alle, die sich zum Wachstumsmarkt "Drohne" einen Überblick verschaffen möchten. Als Entscheider in der Industrie erfahren Sie hier, wie sich etwa Bereiche wie die Petrochemie oder die Landwirtschaft durch den Einsatz von Drohnen automatisieren lassen. Auch Sektoren wie der Katastrophenschutz und die Sicherheitstechnik profitieren vom Einsatz von Industriedrohnen und lassen sich durch sie noch effektiver gestalten. Auch Wissenschaftler und Journalisten, die in den Bereichen Industrie 4.0 und Robotik forschen und schreiben und Privatleuten mit einem generellen Interesse an den Einsatzmöglichkeiten für professionelle Drohnen liefert das Buch kompakt und strukturiert alles Wissenswerte zu Multicoptern in den Zeiten der Industrie 4.0. Unmanned Aircraft Systems delivers a much needed introduction to UAV system technology, taking an integrated approach that avoids compartmentalising the subject. Arranged in four sections, parts 1-3 examine the way in which various engineering disciplines affect the design, development and deployment of UAS. The fourth section assesses the future challenges and opportunities of UAS. Technological innovation and increasingly diverse applications are two key drivers of the rapid expansion of UAS technology. The global defence budget for UAS procurement is expanding, and in the future the market for civilian UAVs is expected to outmatch that of the military. Agriculture, meteorology, conservation and border control are just a few of the diverse areas in which UAVs...
are making a significant impact; the author addresses all of these applications, looking at the roles and technology behind both fixed wing and rotorcraft UAVs. Leading aeronautical consultant Reg Austin co-founded the Bristol International Remotely Piloted Vehicle (RPV) conferences in 1979, which are now the longest-established UAS conferences worldwide. In addition, Austin has over 40 years' experience in the design and development of UAS. One of Austin's programmes, the "Sprite UAV System" has been deployed around the world and operated by day and night, in all weathers. This book introduces the concept of using drones as a teaching tool to explore the fundamental principles, technology and applications of Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS). A short introduction sets CPS in the context of the 4th industrial revolution, and describes various CPS technologies including self-driving cars, commercial intelligent drones and mobile robots, in which artificial intelligence routinely supports smarter decision-making. The core of the book then focuses on commercially available drones, the only available system offering the advantage of cyber-physical bridging through 3D autonomous dynamic flying in classroom conditions. Chapters describe drone technology, including location sensors and imaging systems. CPS theory is explained through typical drone flying procedures and do-it-yourself (DIY) aerial photography in which communication between sensors, actuators and controllers occurs through cyber-physical bi-directional bridging. This book opens new possibilities in fostering 4th industrial revolution literacy, introducing relevant examples from readily available equipment, making core elements of cyber-physical bridging accessible. It is aimed primarily at those students who have an interest in CPS, drones and those from disciplines that are concerned with spatial information. The purpose of this paper consists to provide a general overview of the B-HUNTER UAV System that has been chosen by the Belgian Army Ground Forces. From year 2001, the B-HUNTER UAV system will replace the Epervier UAV System which was in use in the Belgian Army since more than 20 years. The B-HUNTER UAV System is derived from the US Short Range HUNTER Tactical UAV that has been developed and qualified according to the most severe NATO requirements by a joint venture composed of Israel Aircraft Industries Ltd. (IAI) and TRW Inc. It has been recently successfully deployed in Kosovo operation with proven operational results that have been reported in profusion of press releases. This paper will describe the main upgrades at system and subsystem level that will be performed in the frame of the Belgian Contract by the Belgian EAGLE Temporary Association. The B-HUNTER UAV system and subsystem are described. In the course of the B-HUNTER UAV Program, a lot of attention will be paid to the potential integration of the B-HUNTER UAV System in the civil air space. According to the Belgian law, UAV Systems have to comply with the following overall safety objective: The B-HUNTER UAV System must allow during all its life safety execution of UAV missions above populated areas taking into account Belgian environmental conditions. A short introduction to the activities performed in the frame of the B-HUNTER UAV program with regards to airworthiness issues is presented. Covering the design, development, operation and mission profiles of unmanned aircraft systems, this single, comprehensive volume forms a complete, stand-alone reference on the topic. The volume integrates with the online Wiley Encyclopedia of Aerospace Engineering, providing many new and updated articles for existing subscribers to that work. Unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) have been widely adopted in the military world over the last decade and the success of these military applications is increasingly driving efforts to establish unmanned aircraft in non-military roles. Introduction to UAV Systems, 4th edition provides a comprehensive introduction to all of the elements of a complete Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS). It addresses the air vehicle, mission planning and control, several types of mission payloads, data links and how they interact with mission performance, and launch and recovery concepts. This book provides enough information to encourage a student to learn more; to provide a specialist with a basic appreciation of the technical issues that drive other parts of the system and interact with their specialty; or to help a program manager understand system-level tradeoffs and know what questions to ask. Key features: Comprehensive overview of all elements of a UAS and of how they interact. Introduces the underlying concepts of key subsystems. Emphasizes system-integration issues and how they relate to subsystem design choices. Practical discussion of issues informed by lessons learned in UAV programs. Introduction to UAV Systems, 4th edition is written both for newcomers to the subject and for experienced members of the UAV community who desire a comprehensive overview at the system level. As well as being a primary text for an introductory course on UAS or a supplementary text in a course that goes into more depth in one of the individual technologies involved in a UAS, this book is a useful overview for practicing engineers, researchers, managers, and consultants interested in UAV systems. Provides a comprehensive introduction to the design and analysis of unmanned aircraft systems with a systems perspective. Written for students and engineers who are new to the field of unmanned aerial vehicle design, this book teaches the many UAV design techniques being used today and demonstrates how to apply aeronautical science concepts to their design. Design of Unmanned Aerial Systems covers the design of UAVs in three sections—vehicle design, autopilot design,
ground systems design—in a way that allows readers to fully comprehend the science behind the subject so that they can then demonstrate creativity in the application of these concepts on their own. It teaches students and engineers all about: UAV classifications, design groups, design requirements, mission planning, conceptual design, detail design, and design procedures. It provides them with in-depth knowledge of ground stations, power systems, propulsion systems, automatic flight control systems, guidance systems, navigation systems, and launch and recovery systems. Students will also learn about payloads, manufacturing considerations, design challenges, flight software, microcontroller, and design examples. In addition, the book places major emphasis on the automatic flight control systems and autopilots. Provides design steps and procedures for each major component. Presents several fully solved, step-by-step examples at the component level. Includes numerous UAV figures/images to emphasize the application of the concepts. Describes real stories that stress the significance of safety in UAV design. Offers various UAV configurations, geometries, and weight data to demonstrate the real-world applications and examples. Covers a variety of design techniques/processes such that the designer has freedom and flexibility to satisfy the design requirements in several ways. Features many end-of-chapter problems for readers to practice. Design of Unmanned Aerial Systems is an excellent text for courses in the design of unmanned aerial vehicles at both the upper division undergraduate and beginning graduate levels. This book provides a complete overview of the theory, design, and applications of unmanned aerial vehicles. It covers the basics, including definitions, attributes, manned vs. unmanned, design considerations, life cycle costs, architecture, components, air vehicle, payload, communications, data link, and ground control stations. Chapters cover types and civilian roles, sensors and characteristics, alternative power, communications and data links, conceptual design, human machine interface, sense and avoid systems, civil airspace issues and integration efforts, navigation, autonomous control, swarming, and future capabilities. Introduction to Unmanned Aircraft Systems surveys the fundamentals of unmanned aircraft system (UAS) operations, from sensors, controls, and automation to regulations, safety procedures, and human factors. It is designed for the student or layperson and thus assumes no prior knowledge of UASs, engineering, or aeronautics. 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Complete with end-of-chapter discussion questions, this book makes an ideal textbook for a first course in UAS operations. This book is a printed edition of the Special Issue "UAV-Based Remote Sensing" that was published in Sensors. This investigation evaluates a framework for design of ecological information systems as applied for the command and control function of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAVs). In this context, the term interface design is not referring to the human computer interface, but to the interface between a decision maker and the deep relational structure of the workspace. This framework was developed for the domains of industrial process and manufacturing systems, tested through analyses of hospital and library systems, and recently further developed to model the socio-technical system involved in risk management in a modern, dynamic society. The introduction of uninhabited vehicles has raised considerable research interest, but the topics discussed have largely been related to the problems appearing when remote control of an air vehicle and its payload is introduced. Correspondingly, the system concept has been described as an effort to keep the pilots head in the cockpit and leave the rest of him at home and a literature search has shown that the human factors discussed are related mainly to display, control, and training issues. Automobiles are responsible for a substantial part of the world's consumption of primary energy, mostly fossil liquid hydrocarbons. The reduction of the fuel consumption of these vehicles has become a top priority. Many ideas to reach that objective have been presented. In most cases these systems are more complex than the traditional approaches. For such complex systems a heuristic design approach fails. The only way to deal with this situation is to employ model-based methods. This text provides an introduction to the mathematical modeling and subsequent optimization of vehicle propulsion systems and their supervisory control algorithms. Die Einführung in die Methode der Finiten Elemente ist so konzipiert, dass sie nur anhand eindimensionaler Elemente erläutert wird. Dadurch bleibt die mathematische Beschreibung überschaubar, dennoch ist die Formulierung stets wissenschaftlich exakt. Das besondere Augenmerk liegt auf der Erläuterung der Methode und deren Verständnis. Leser lernen, die Annahmen und Ableitungen bei verschiedenen physikalischen Problemmstellungen in der Strukturmechanik zu verstehen und Möglichkeiten und
Introduction to Unmanned Aircraft Systems is the editors’ response to their unsuccessful search for suitable university-level textbooks on this subject. A collection of contributions from top experts, this book applies the depth of their expertise to identify and survey the fundamentals of unmanned aircraft system (UAS) operations. Written from a nonengineering civilian operational perspective, the book starts by detailing the history of UAs and then explores current technology and what is expected for the future. Covering all facets of UAS elements and operation—including an examination of safety procedures and human factors—this material gives readers a truly complete and practical understanding of what it takes to safely operate UAS for a variety of missions in the National Airspace System. Topics covered include: The U.S. aviation regulatory system Certificate of authorization process UAS for geospatial data Automation and autonomy in UAS Sensors and payloads With helpful end-of-chapter discussion questions, this resource is designed to give beginning university students and other new entrants to the field a comprehensive, easy-to-understand first overview of the field. The book’s broad scope also makes it useful as a foundation for professionals embarking on further study. Multi-rotor Platform Based UAV Systems provides an excellent opportunity for experiential learning, capability augmentation and confidence-building for senior level undergraduates, entry-level graduates, engineers working in government agencies, and industry involved in UAV R&D. Topics in this book include an introduction to VTOL multi-copter UAV platforms, UAV system architecture, integration in the national airspace, including UAV classification and associated missions, regulation and safety, certification and air traffic management, integrated mission planning, including autonomous fault tolerant path planning and vision based auto landing systems, flight mechanics and stability, dynamic modeling and flight controller development. Other topics covered include sense, detect and avoid systems, flight testing, including safety assessment instrumentation and data acquisition telemetry, synchronization data fusion, the geo-location of identified targets, and much more. 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Topics included cover a wide range of new aerodynamics concepts and their applications for real world fixed-wing (airplanes), rotary wing (helicopter) and quad-rotor aircraft. The book begins with two introductory chapters that address fundamental principles of aerodynamics and flight stability and form a knowledge base for the student of Aerospace Engineering. The book then covers aerodynamics of fixed wing, rotary wing and hybrid unmanned aircraft, before introducing aspects of aircraft flight stability and control. Key features: Sound technical level and inclusion of high-quality experimental and numerical data. Direct application of the aerodynamic technologies and flight stability and control principles described in the book in the development of real-world novel unmanned aircraft concepts. Written by world-class academics, engineers, researchers and inventors from prestigious institutions and industry. The book provides up-to-date information in the field of Aerospace Engineering for university students and lecturers, aerospace aerodynamics researchers, aerospace engineers, aircraft designers and manufacturers. This book provides a comprehensive overview of recent advances in the analysis and design of health management systems for cooperating unmanned aerial vehicles. Such systems rely upon monitoring and fault adaptation schemes. Motivation for their study comes from the fact that, despite the use of fault-tolerant control software and hardware embedded onboard air vehicles, overall fleet performance may still be degraded after the occurrence of anomalous events such as systems faults and failures. Cooperative health management (CHM) systems seek to provide adaptation to the presence of faults by capitalizing on the availability of interconnected computing, sensing and actuation resources. This monograph complements the proposed CHM concepts by means of case studies and application examples. It presents fundamental principles and results encompassing optimization, systems theory, information theory, dynamics, modeling and simulation. Written by pioneers in cooperative control, health management and fault-tolerant control for unmanned systems, this book is a unique source of information for designers, researchers and practitioners interested in the field. The type and number of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) is increasing rapidly. However, operational UAVs are a high-demand, low-density asset and access is extremely limited due to higher priority taskings of these systems. Researchers and developers of UAVs...
related systems, operations, and training rarely have access to an operational quality UAV and must resort to building their own systems. The effort required in developing a fully functional UAV system coupled with the logistics of airspace, operator training, and other flight related activities is a major undertaking. The objective of a UAV Collaboration Network (UCN) is to extend the USAFA UAV flight and simulator capability using common Internet Information Technologies to local and remote users to reduce the barriers of engaging in UAV related education, research, and operations. Typical scenarios for use of the UCN include classroom observation and control of both actual and simulated UAVs. Other uses include enabling other researchers or system developers to observe a UAV flight test of their designs from a remote location. Emergency first responders may also be able to log on to a UAV that is being operated on their behalf and observe the video and telemetry being provided. Users of UAV data such as GIS applications can develop their applications by easily accessing actual real-time UAV data being distributed over the UCN. In short, the purpose of the UCN is to increase the accessibility to UAVs to accelerate the development of educational, operational, and training research activity in the UAV systems domain.


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