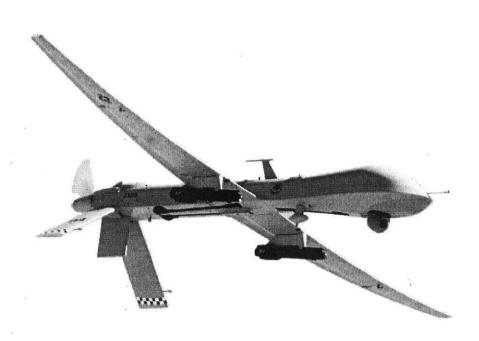
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# เทคโนโลยีอากาศยานไร้คนขับในประเทศไทย

Technology of UAV and Drone in Thailand



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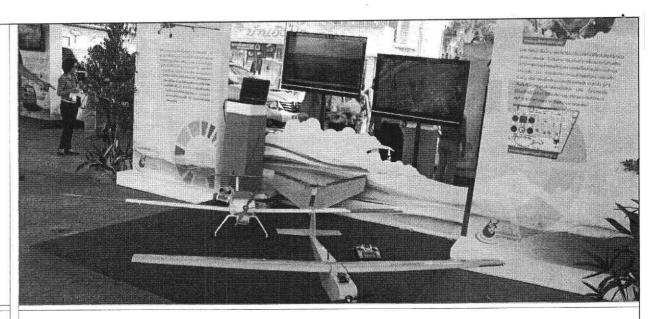
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# UAV AND DRONE TECHNOLOGY IN THAILAND

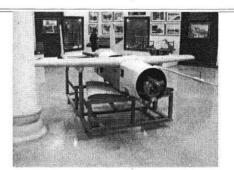
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Introduction

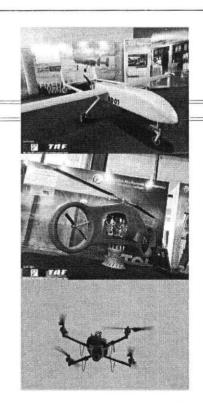
#### The First Thai UAV Systems

- □ SkyEye R4D from BAe Systems circa 1988
- □ IAI Searcher Mk.I & II



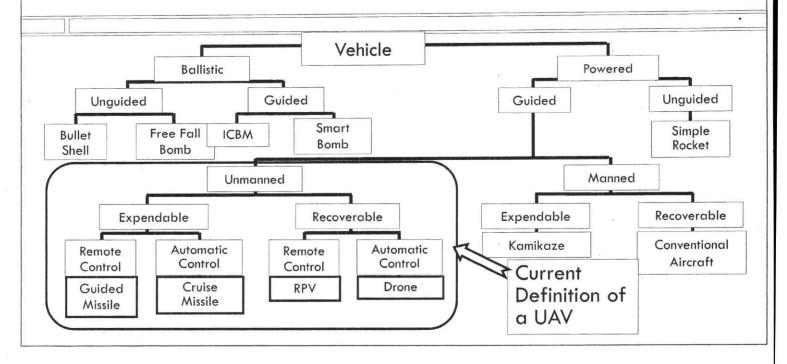
# Indigenous UAVs

- □ Paksin UAV aka DTI UAV
- □ Siam UAVs
- □ KSM RTN
- □ RTN Narai, Ongkot, Pipake
- □ And many more



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#### **UAV** or Drone



### The Beginning

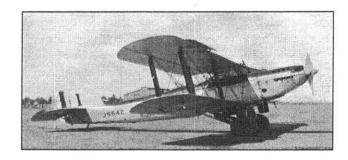
|  | 1917: | French artillery officer, Rene`Lorin                  |
|--|-------|---|
|  |       | proposed flying bombs using gyroscopic and barometric |
|  |       | stabilization and control.                            |

□ 1918: Germany halts development of guided weapons.

 1918: Charles Kettering (USA) flies Liberty Eagle "Kettering Bug" and Army Air Corps orders 75 copies.

 1920: Elmer Sperry perfects the gyroscope and the first enabling technology makes flight control feasible

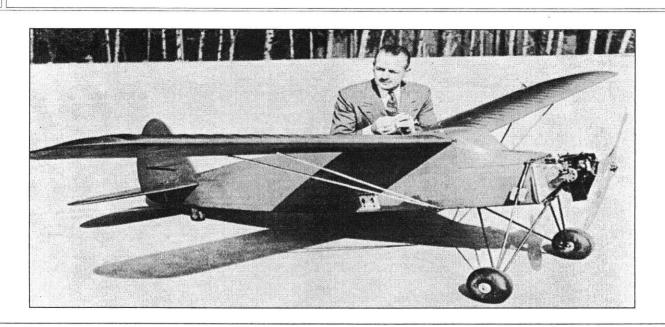
□ 1932: RAE "Fairey Queen" crashes, technology is still in its infancy.



Fairey Queen IIIF Mark IIIB, 1932

#### The First UAV

1935 - Reginald Denny develops the RP-1 and launches the Radio Plane Company



#### The First Jet-Powered UAV

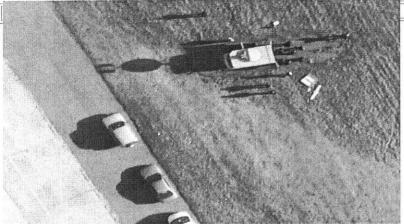
1943 V-1

Azimuth Control by gyroscope governed by magnetic compass Speed was determined by engine performance at max. power



Propeller driven "air-log" governed range

# Application (1) Surveillance

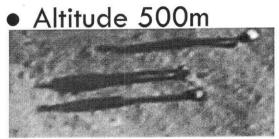


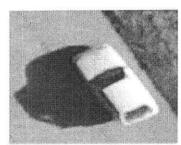
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Cars easily recognizable

- □ Humans are clearly visible
- □ Aircraft is not detectable from the ground!

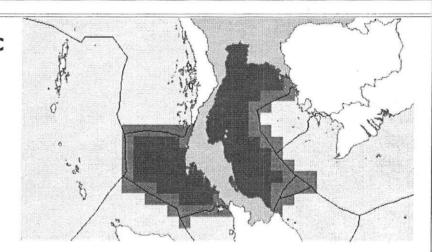
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### Application (2) Protect EEZ

 Protecting Economic Exclusion Zone by looking at who's in your waters is very important



### Application (3) Disaster Monitoring

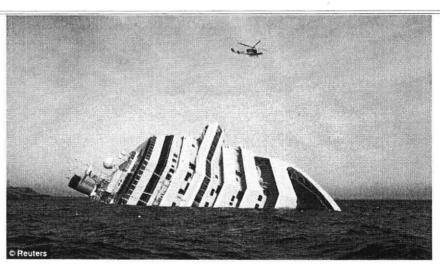
- UAVs are becoming important sensor to monitor the disaster as it goes
  - http://www.youtube. com/notepeter01 for flood-monitoring videos during the great Thailand flood



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## Application (4) Search and Rescue

□ SAR mission
requires a
number of
planes and
crews, # of UAVs
can be increased
easily



\*Picture from the Internet

### Application (5) Agriculture

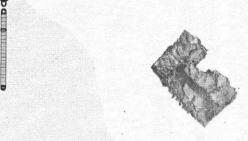
- □ Precision Agriculture
  - UAV gathers information (Remote sensing)
- □ Agriculture Use
  - □ Crop dusting, fertilization





# Application (6) Mapping

 UAV is a low-cost tool to capture images for Mapping missions







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## Application (7) Forestry Protection

- □ Anti-poaching
- □ Anti illegal logging
- Natural resource preservation
- Carbon creditcalculation

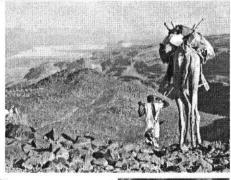




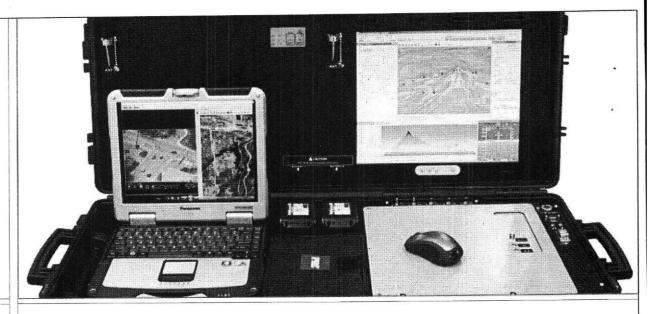


# Application (8) Package Delivery

- In poorest countries, important things like serums and medicine are hand delivered
- CSR for big corporations underway



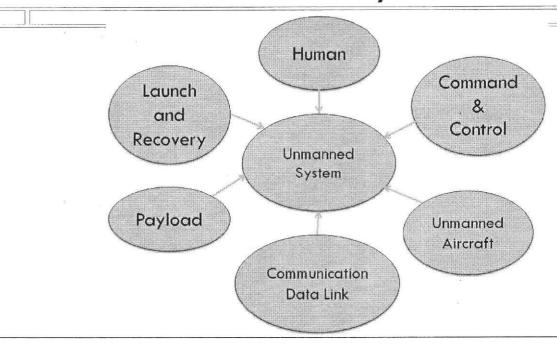




Technicality part of the UAV

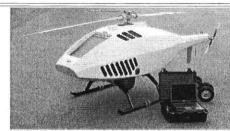
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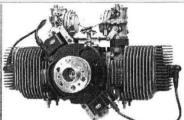
# Unmanned Aerial System



#### **Unmanned Aircraft**

- □ Aircraft
- □ Propulsion
- □ Autopilot







### **Autopilot**

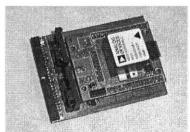
Hardware

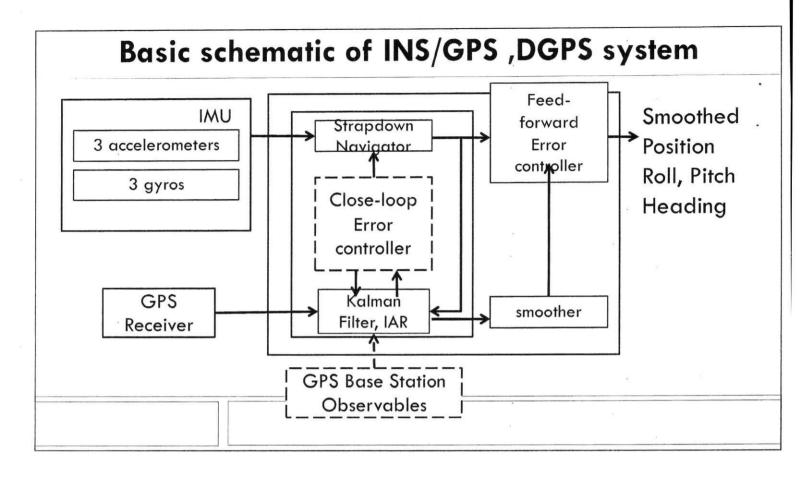
- □ Microcontrollers
- Set of flight sensors including but not limited to IMU and GPS

Software

☐ Flight Control Software







#### Communications Data Link

Data Link

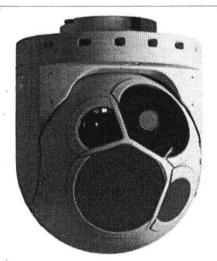
□ Real-time autopilot data sender

Video Link

□ Real-time video sender

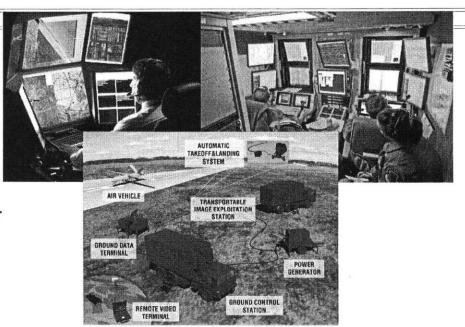
#### Payload

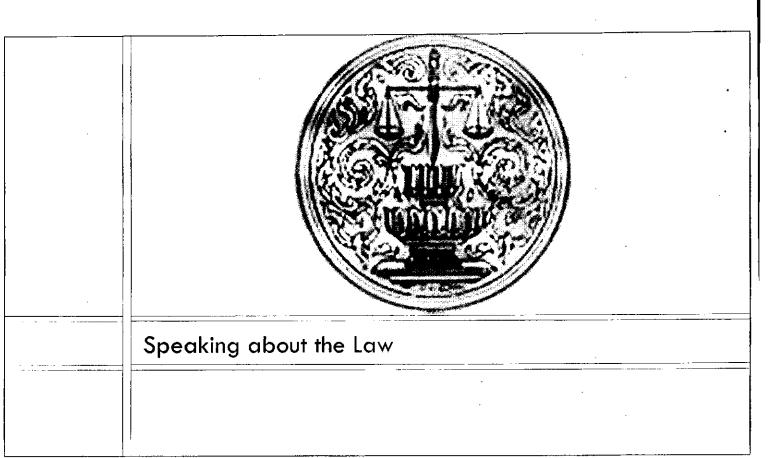
- Something you carry to do your work
  - □ Digital Camera
  - Hyperspectral Camera
  - **□** Thermal Camera
  - Laser Designator
  - And more



#### Command and Control

- □ Computers
- Ground communications equipments
- Ground support equipments





#### **Definition**



- □ Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) An unmanned aircraft which is piloted from a remote pilot station.
- □ Remotely Piloted Aircraft System (RPAS) An remote pilot aircraft, its associated remote pilot station(s), the required command and control links and any other components as specified in the type design.

#### Related Law



Aviation Law of B.E. 2497 (1954)

- Sec.24 Prohibit the use of unmanned aircraft or balloon without authorization from the Minister of Transportation
- $\square$  Sec. 12 5. This Aviation law is not applicable to the Military, Police, and Customs use

### Related Law (2)



- □ New laws are work-in-progress to include RPAS
- □ Annex 2 to the Chicago convention Rules of the air

### The 10,000 ft. View of the RPAS Law

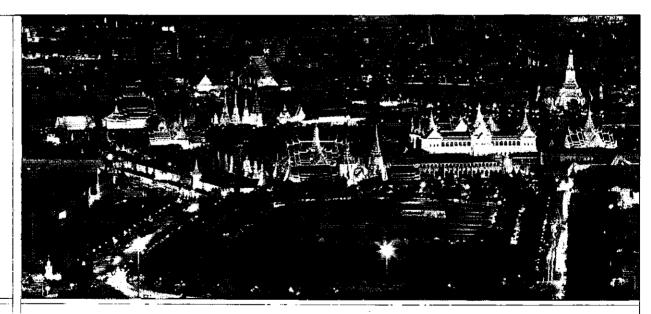
- RPAS shall be approved and have certificate of airworthiness
- ☐ Operator shall have an RPAS operator certificate
- □ Remote pilots shall be licensed
- □ Request for authorization shall be made to appropriate authorities

#### What We Can Do Now

- Operate the aircraft in visual line-of-sight (low altitude)
   and short distance from the operator
- Be careful when operate the aircrafts especially in Bangkok FIR
- □ Note:
  - Do not fly in restricted airspace (such as airspace near palaces, airports, military bases)
  - Do not fly above other people, buildings, and properties

#### What We Need

- □ Approval Policy
- □ Rules and Regulations for RPAS Operation
  - For VFR and IFR operation
  - □ Operation in each type of airspace(Class A,B,C,D,E,G)



Current Status of Thai Robotics

\*Picture from the Internet (unknown photographer)

#### Thai Robotics Environment

- □ Education
  - Quite a few universities offer Robotics degree
- □ People
  - Professors, engineers, technicians
- Companies
  - Few companies focus on purely Robotics
- □ Thailand as a user country

#### Thai UAV Market

- □ Early adopter market, still
  - early majority phase is 5 years out at least
- □ UAV
  - Government-only market
- □ Small UAV
  - Hobbyist
    - Chinese models
    - Potential problem

#### **Looking Forward**

- UAV cost, reliability/maintenance, availability, and airspace access need to improve
- □ BUT: UAVs offer unique capabilities for important applications
- □ Commercial use of the UAV

#### Why Do We Need To Develop

- Own technology, own destiny
- □ Simple enough but very hard to make reliable
- Level playing field among companies, no clear competitive advantage from developed countries
- □ Adapt to various vehicles ground, surface, air, underwater, ...

# Summary: My Ten-Year Journey

- ☐ Get to do what I love
- □ Live like a kid in a candy store
- □ Ups and downs, through bad times, still, the light at the end of the tunnel is growing stronger
- □ But no money in the game, not just yet



Thank you for listening...

Any questions?