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Digital Aviation Research & Technology Centre (DARTeC)

Addressing Digital Systems Integration



Cranfield's global research airport

A national asset for the UK

Multi-User Environment for Autonomous Vehicle Innovation (MUEAVI)

This instrumented transport corridor runs through the middle of the campus and is used for the development of intelligent and autonomous vehicles. Sensors include lidar (laser scanners that can measure distance), radar that can detect pedestrians and cyclists at up to 200 metres, and thermal imaging cameras.

Opened 2017

Digital air traffic control centre

Housing the UK's first operational remote air traffic control tower, the centre provides air traffic services for the airport.

Operational December 2018

Boeing 737

Donated by British Airways, the aircraft is used for research and teaching and will be an important part of DARTeC.

Holographic radar

State-of-the-art Aveillant drone detection radar for research as part of DARTeC

Research ready 2021

Digital Aviation Research and Technology Centre (DARTeC)

A unique centre addressing the global challenges of digital systems integration across aviation.

Operational Q4 2020

Gas turbine and propulsion laboratories

Living laboratory

Sensors around the airport monitor air quality, soil moisture, temperature and noise levels, including sound from wildlife. Other sensors monitor water quality and levels, and runway and ground movements.

Aviation Innovation and Technology Entrepreneurship cluster (AVIATE+)

Operational Q1 2021

Cranfield Eagle Lab

A partnership between Barclays and Cranfield University. Opened 2019

HyPER Hydrogen Production

Operational Q2 2020

'Smart' car park connected to MUEAVI

Aerospace Integration Research Centre (AIRC)

Major research facility with Airbus and Rolls-Royce dedicated to future aerospace integration challenges.

Opened 2017

National Beyond visual line of sight Experimentation Corridor (NBEC)

Designed to enable drones and unmanned aircraft to fly in the same airspace as manned aircraft, NBEC will open in phases as surveillance systems are approved. The first NBEC test flights were undertaken in February 2019 in collaboration with the CAA innovation team and Blue Bear Systems.

Operational late 2020

SAAB 340B Flying Test Bed

Operational Q1 2021

National Flying Laboratory Centre (NFLC)

The NFLC's 'flying laboratory' provides a viable alternative to flight test and research work using simulators, wind tunnels, or more expensive turbine aircraft, often testing new parts and equipment for industry partners. The NFLC also has other light aircraft used for research.

Air Park Future

FAAM Airborne Laboratory

Dedicated to the advancement of atmospheric science, the specially-modified BAe-146 research aircraft is owned and run by the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC). This is used by many UK and overseas universities and by the Met Office.

Cranfield Aerospace Solutions Ltd

Wholly-owned subsidiary company specialising in aircraft prototyping, modifications and approvals.

Solar power farm

Clean, renewable energy for the airport flows from a solar power farm located on the other side of the airfield.

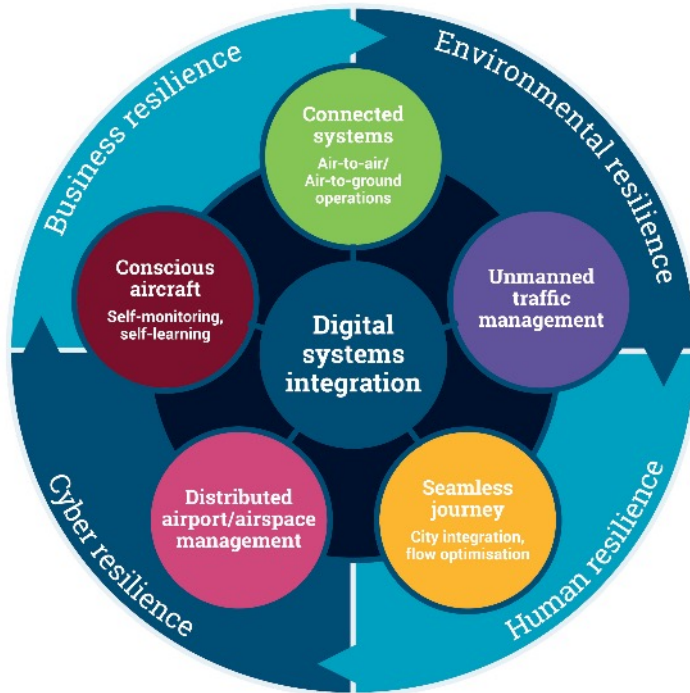
Data from MUEAVI is relayed into the **Intelligent Mobility Engineering Centre (IMEC)** control room. Within IMEC there are vehicle workshops, vehicle electrification and autonomous vehicle research capabilities.

Digital Aviation Research Technology Centre (DARTeC)



Digital Aviation Research Focus

Enabling Digital Systems Integration



Systems Resilience is at the core

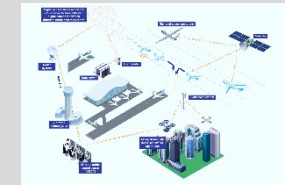
Seamless Journey Experience

Door to Door Journey Experience
Airport Experience (Wayfinding, Retail, Less Able Passengers)
City-Urban-Airport Relationship



Connected Systems

Air to ground data upload/download capacity challenges
Connectivity resilience (Dual systems, Cyber)
Data utilisation



Conscious Aircraft

Next Generation MRO (Zero maintenance platforms)
Hangar of the Future (Integrated Vehicle Health Management)



Unmanned Traffic Management

Low altitude Drone operation in unsegregated airspace
Drone management in segregated & restricted airspace

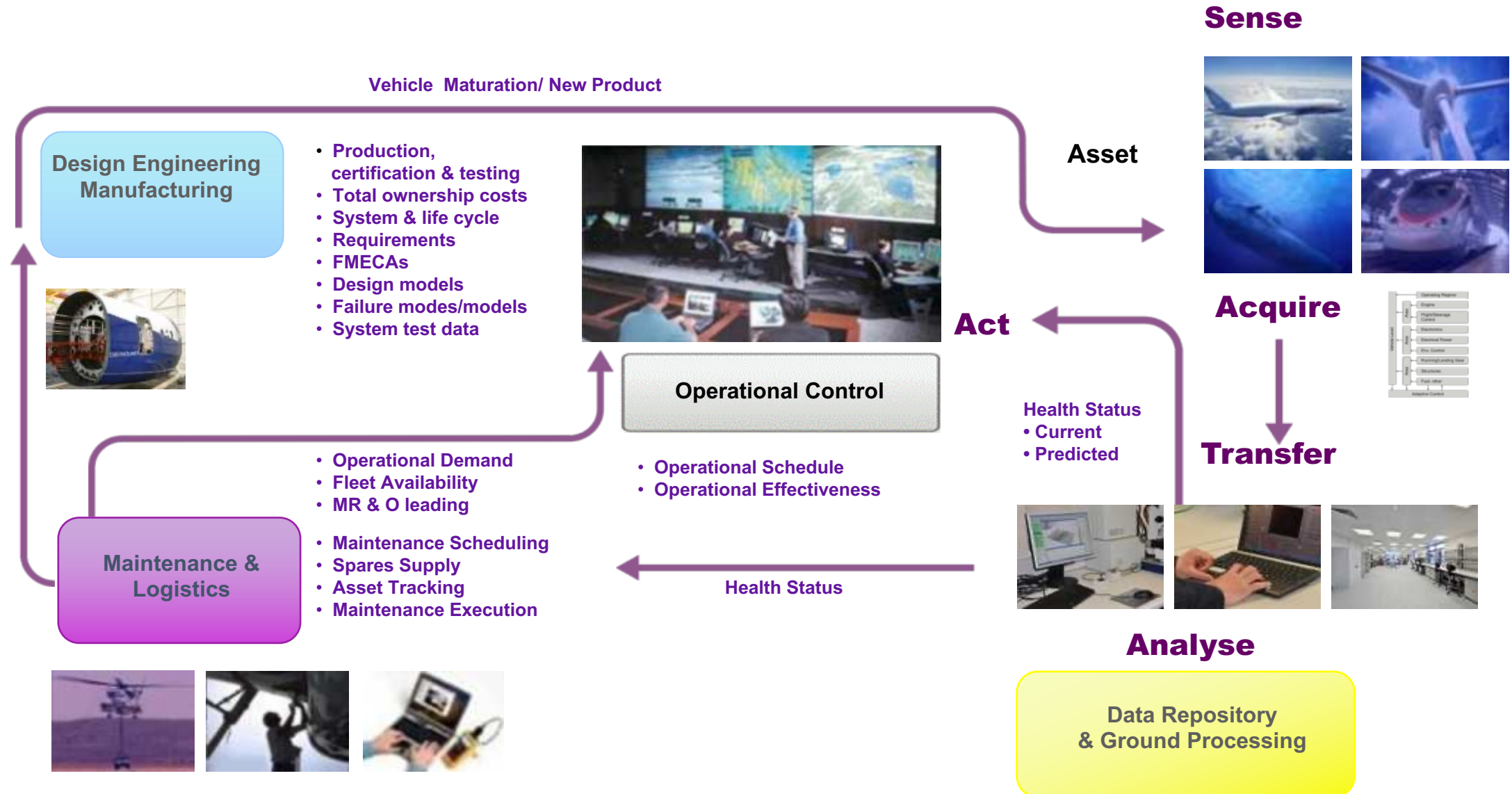


Distributed Airport/Airspace Management

Distributed rural airport management
Multi airport ATC operational challenges



Integrated Vehicle Health Management



The Aircraft That Looks After Itself

I carry the optimised fuel based on flight path, load and engine condition

My next heavy check is 24 months away

I need to compensate for the nearly worn right hand fuel pump

My flight path is GPS optimised



Actuator on left elevator uses 15% more power than right...

The last pilot landed a bit heavy

Engine 1 can go for another 324 flight hours

Engine 2 can go for another 1357 flight hours

My sensors say I am correctly loaded

E-enabled Aircraft



A350 XWB

Health
Monitoring



Big Data
Analysis



Maintenance
support control



B787

Flight deck
Integration



Post flight data
transmission



In-Flight data
transmission



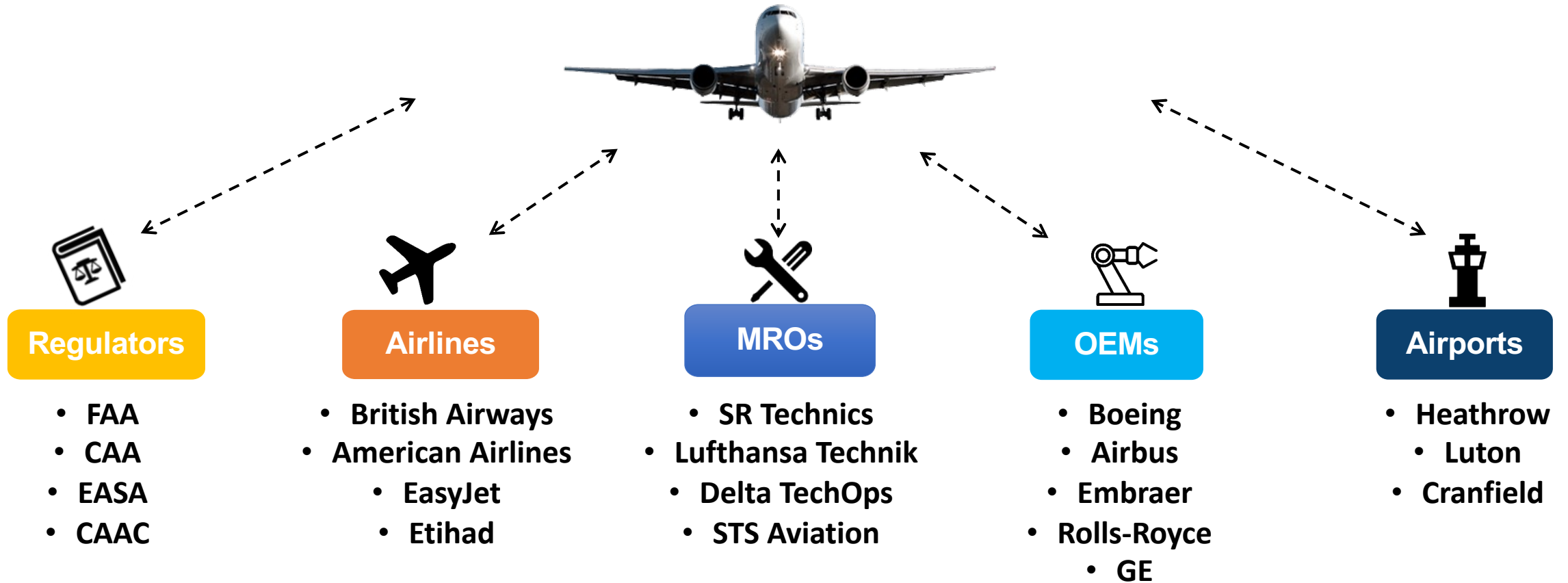
A320 Neo



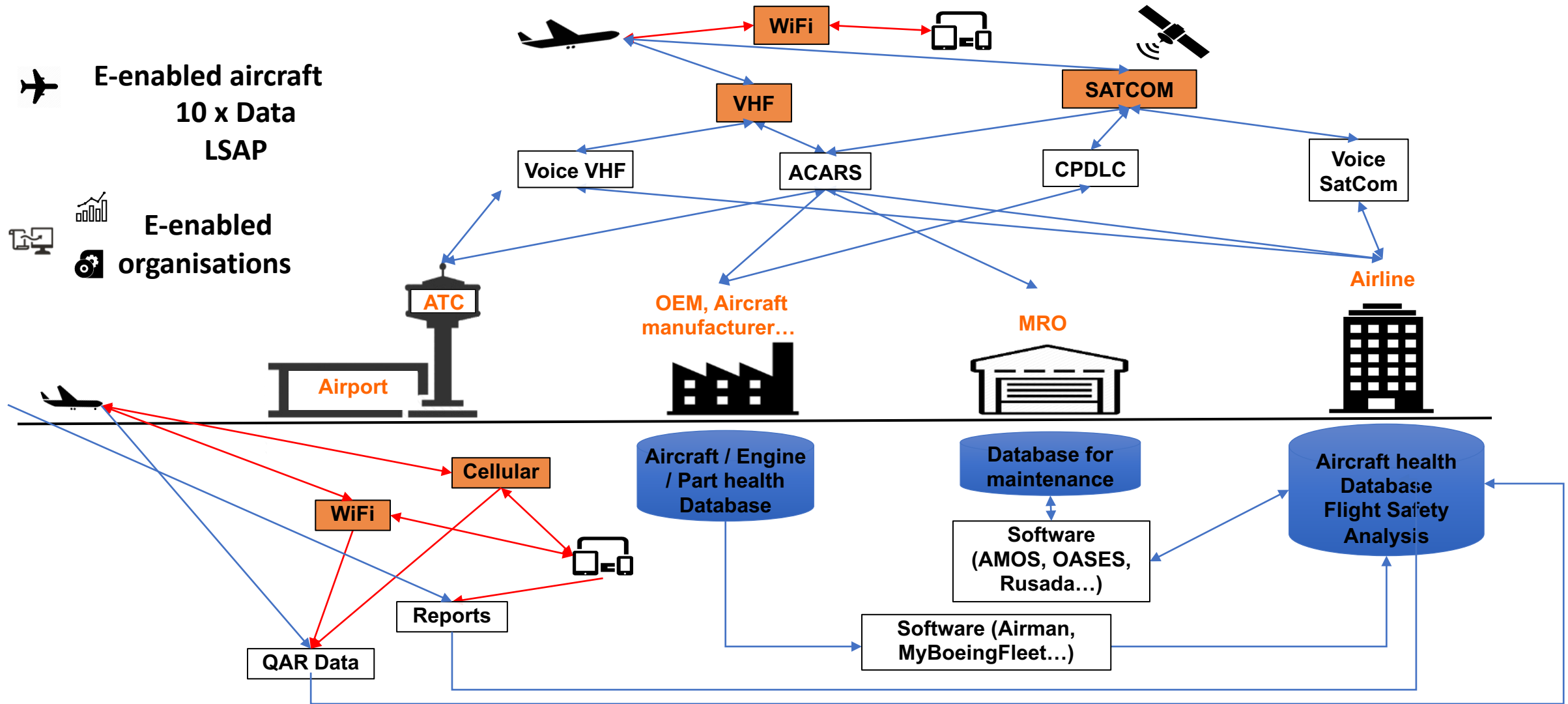
B737 MAX

ENB

Civil Aviation - Stakeholders



Data and Communication



Construction Vehicle Tracking



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IVHM and asset support trade-off

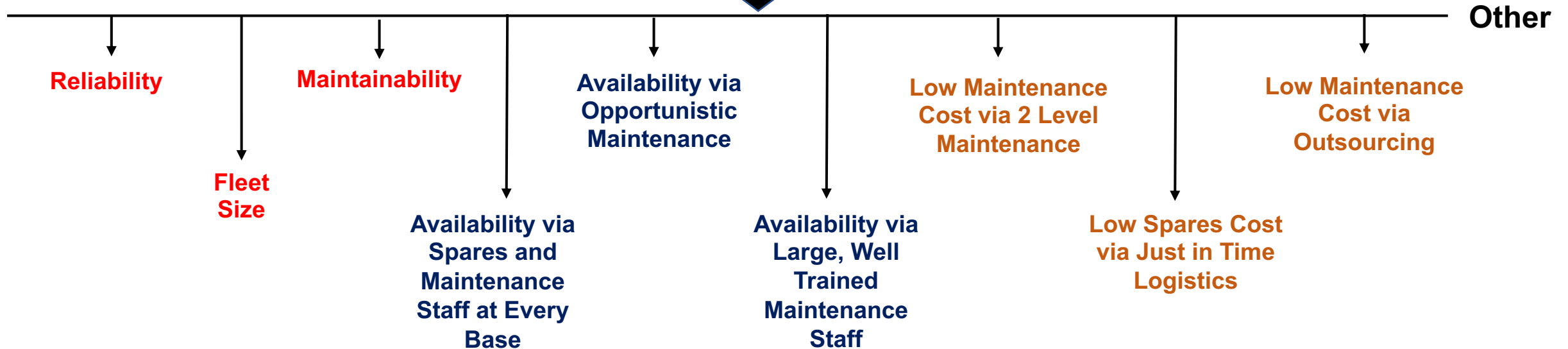
Operations and Support Strategy

Fleet Support Requirements

- Gate Departure
- Mission Reliability
- Fleet Availability

Support Costs

- Spares
- Maintenance Staff
- Support Equipment





CONSCIOUS AIRCRAFT



OPERATIONAL COST SAVINGS

Looking for savings in
a maintenance, repair, and
operations (MRO)
market worth over
£14 billion¹



AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE
COMMUNICATIONS

Each ground operated
collision avoided
could **save** on average:
£300k
to **£400k**²

SAFETY AND SECURITY

Up to
30%
reduction in
maintenance
costs³

PILOT COMMUNICATIONS



AIRLINE AND AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL COMMUNICATIONS



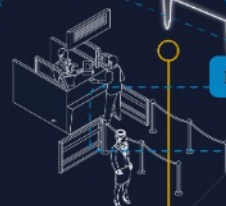
GROUND OPS COMMUNICATIONS

SELF-AWARE AIRCRAFT (can sense whole aircraft health status)

ABILITY TO SELF-REPAIR

Each day an aircraft
not available
for operation
costs over
£200,000⁴

PASSENGER COMMUNICATIONS



AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATING WITH HUMAN OPERATORS/PILOTS, ENGINEERS AND PASSENGERS

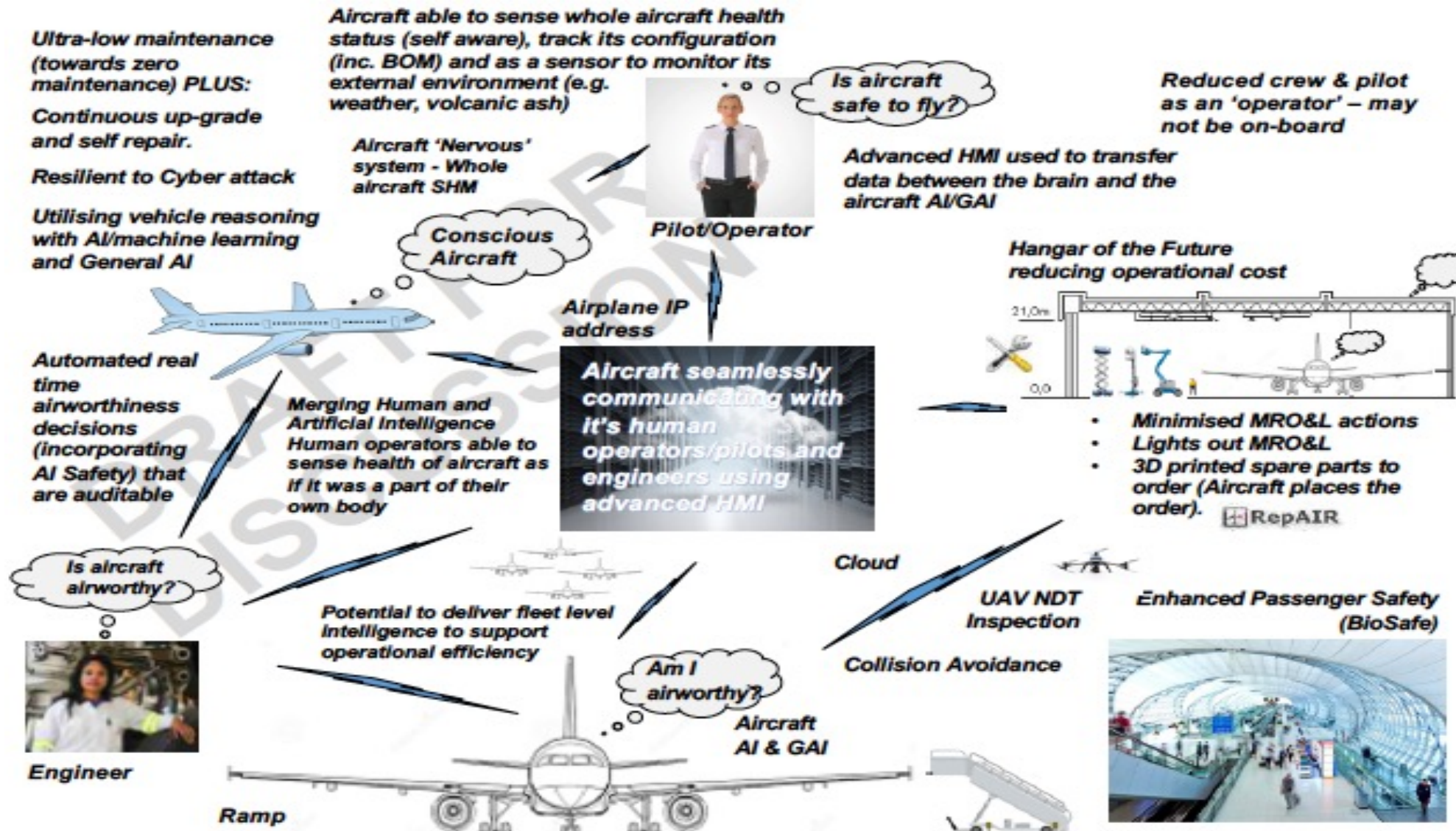
Save over
£1,000
per flight hour⁵
(based on zero maintenance for
widebody aircraft)



Cranfield IVHM Centre



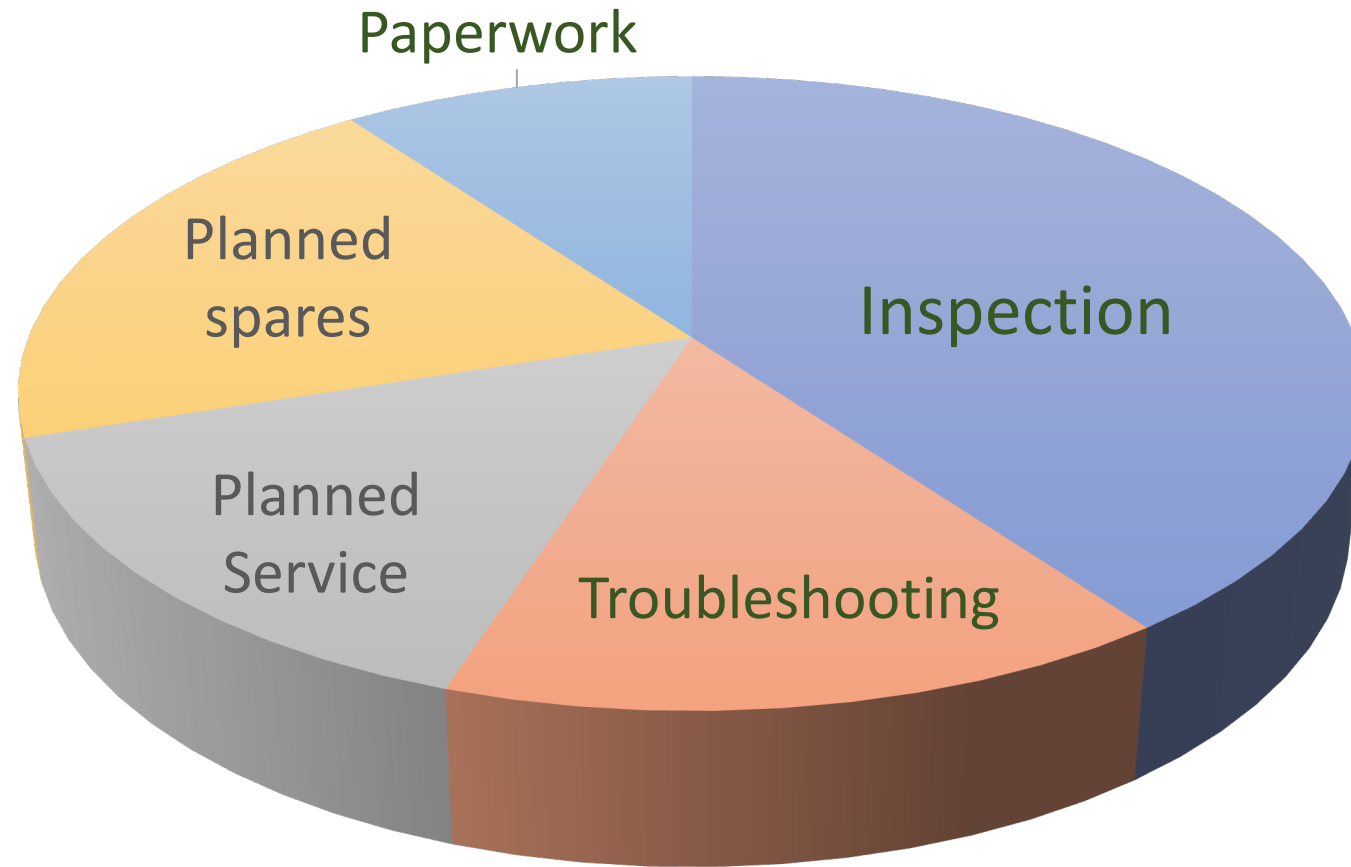
Future of MRO



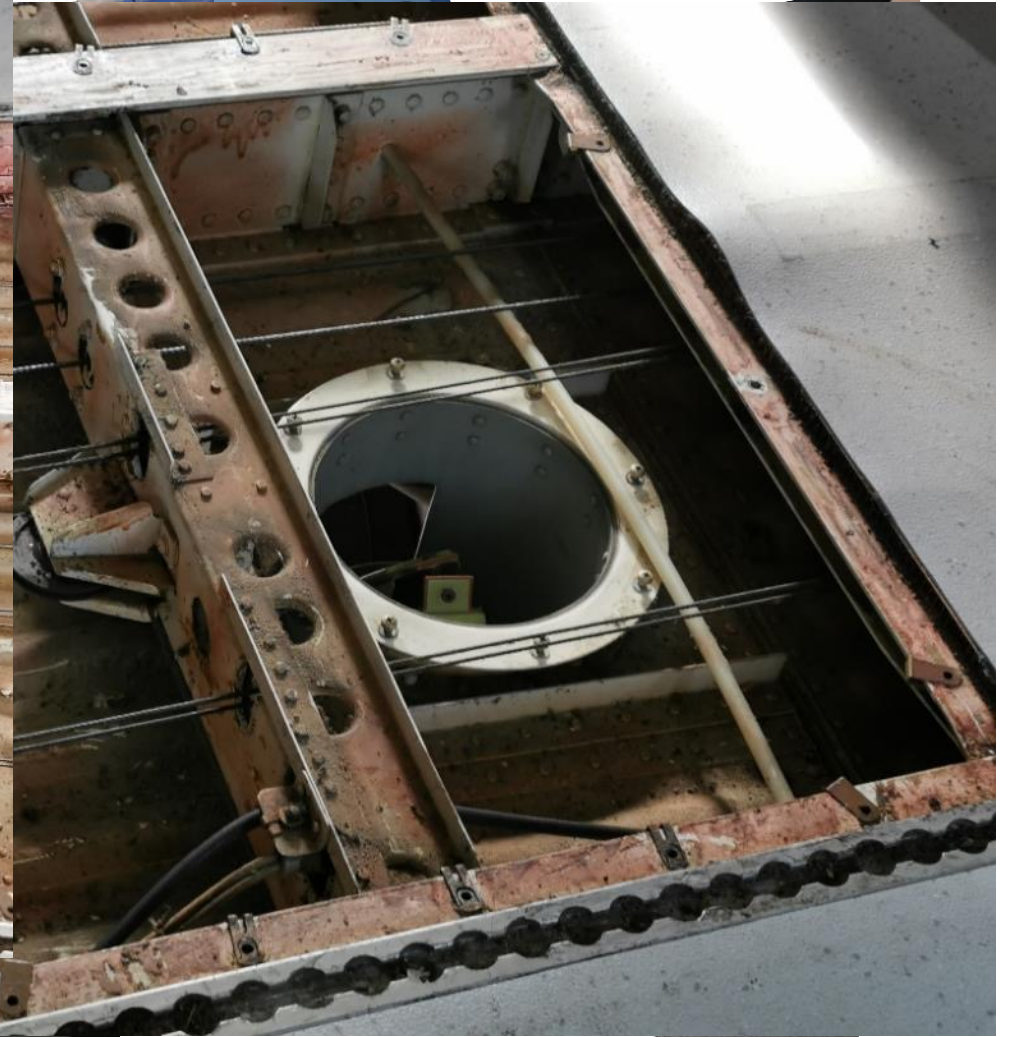
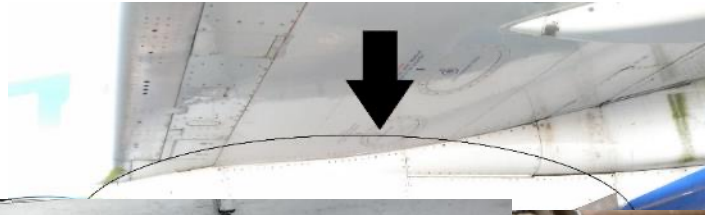
'Airworthy Operations'

Up to 30% reduction in maintenance costs

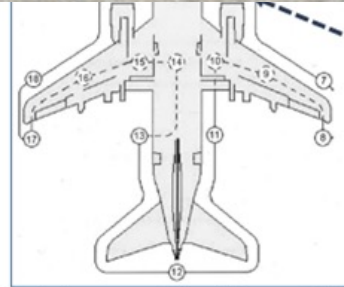
Unscientific MRO Tasks Breakdown



Inspection



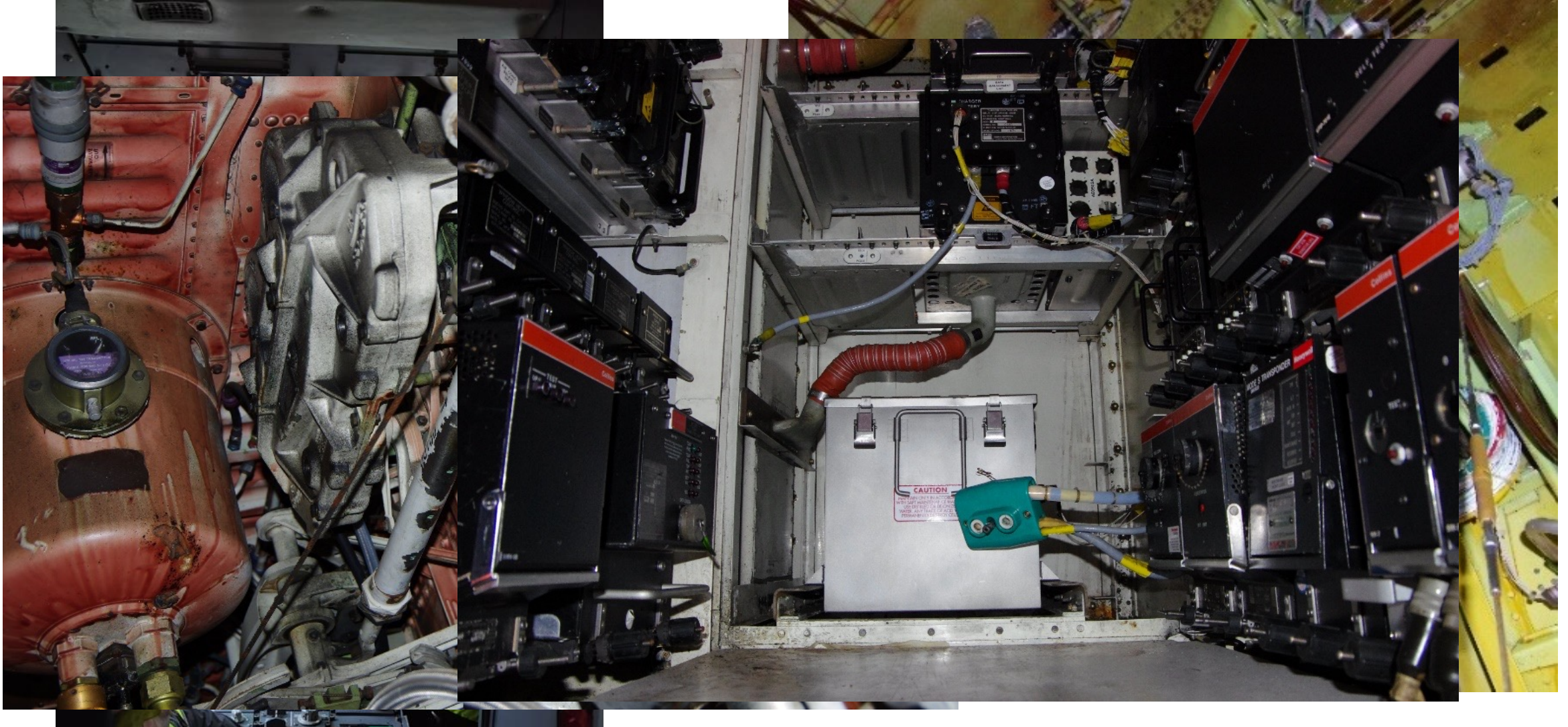
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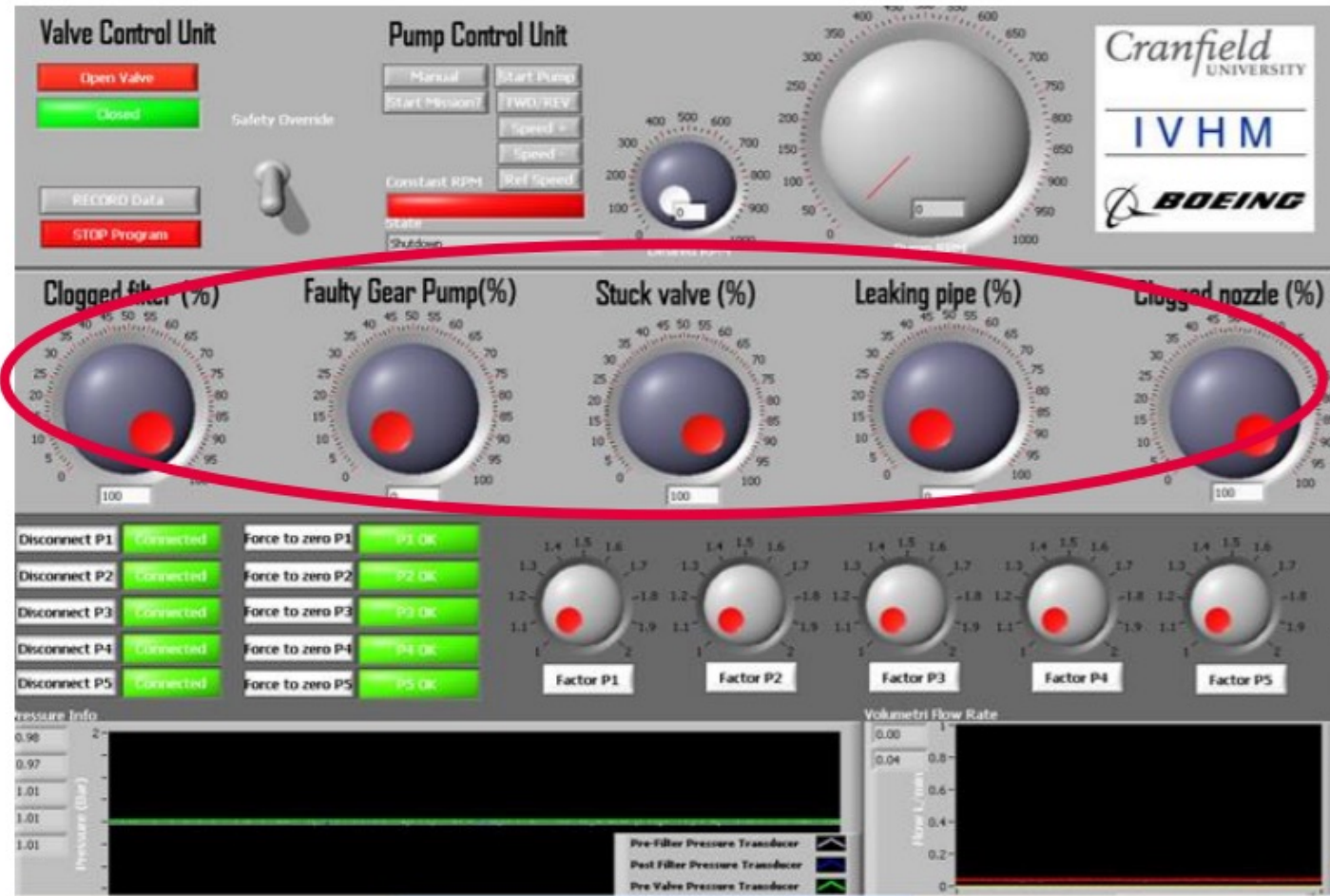
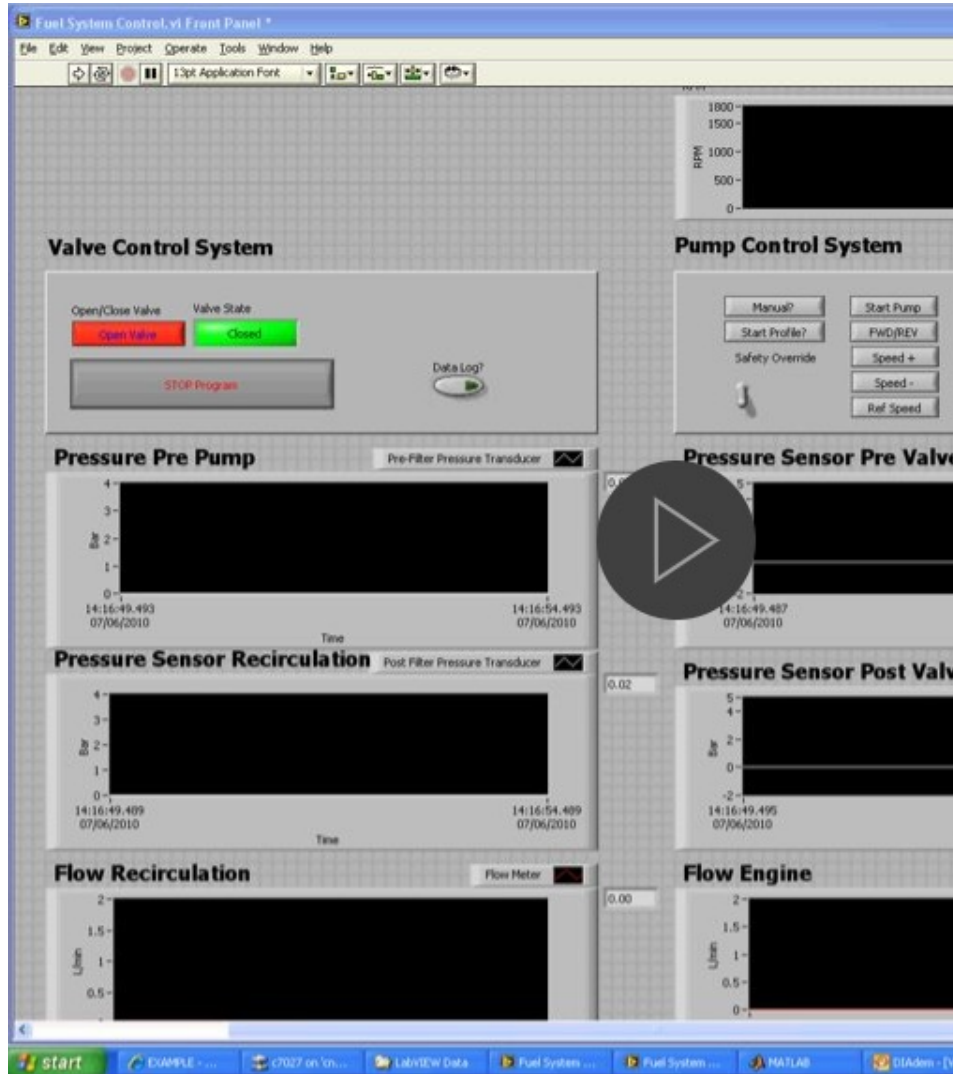
Scenario is representative of the pre-flight check before aircraft despatch



Troubleshooting



Troubleshooting



Planned Maintenance Tasks

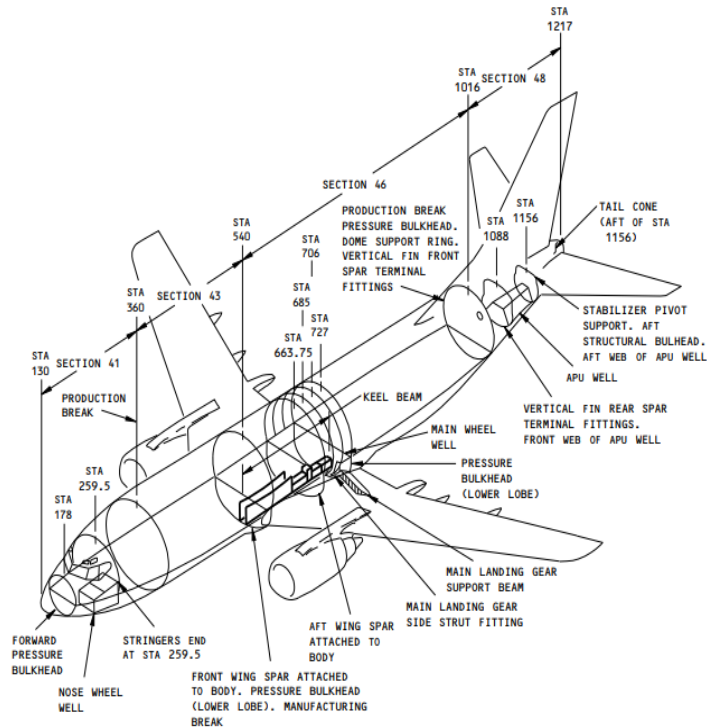


Planned Maintenance Tasks



Digital

BOEING
737-300/400/500
AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE MANUAL



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737-300/400/500
AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE MANUAL

53-05-03-210-819

General Visual Inspection of the Side Strut Support Frame, Sta 685

This is a MSG-3 scheduled maintenance task.

General

- 1) The purpose of this inspection is to detect corrosion, stress corrosion, minor accidental damage, and fatigue damage to the side strut support frame, Sta 685.
- 2) The structure inspection satisfies the CPC basic task.

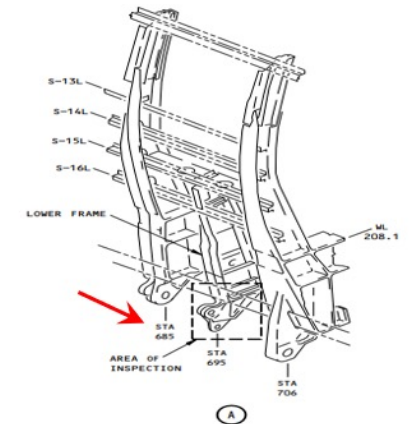
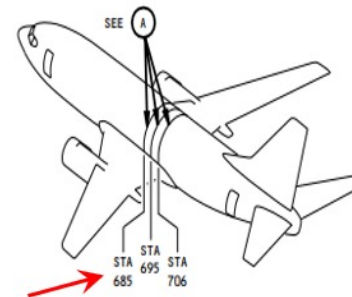
References

Reference	Title
51-00-53	CORROSION PREVENTION - CORROSION REMOVAL

Consumable Materials

Reference	Description	Specification
C00174	Compound - Corrosion Preventive, Solvent Cutback, Cold Application	MIL-PRF-16173 (Supersedes MIL-C-16173)

BOEING
737-300/400/500
AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE MANUAL



Main Landing Gear Support Structure
Figure 245/53-05-03-990-846

MRO KPI improvement targets

KPI	Current (notional)	In 3 years	In 5 years
Available Hours / Chargeable Hours	2.5	?	1.2
Material Availability	85%	?	100%
Job Card rework	1/1000	?	1/10000
On Time Delivery	90%	?	100%
Material Accuracy	95%	?	100%
Accidents/ Near Misses	3 / year	?	0

DMRO Research Complex

Super Big Brother House for
Real World Air Systems Research



A unique facility to integrate **digital**, **human** and **physical** aspects
of aviation for research and technology development

Hangar



A Fleet Maintenance Operations Centre

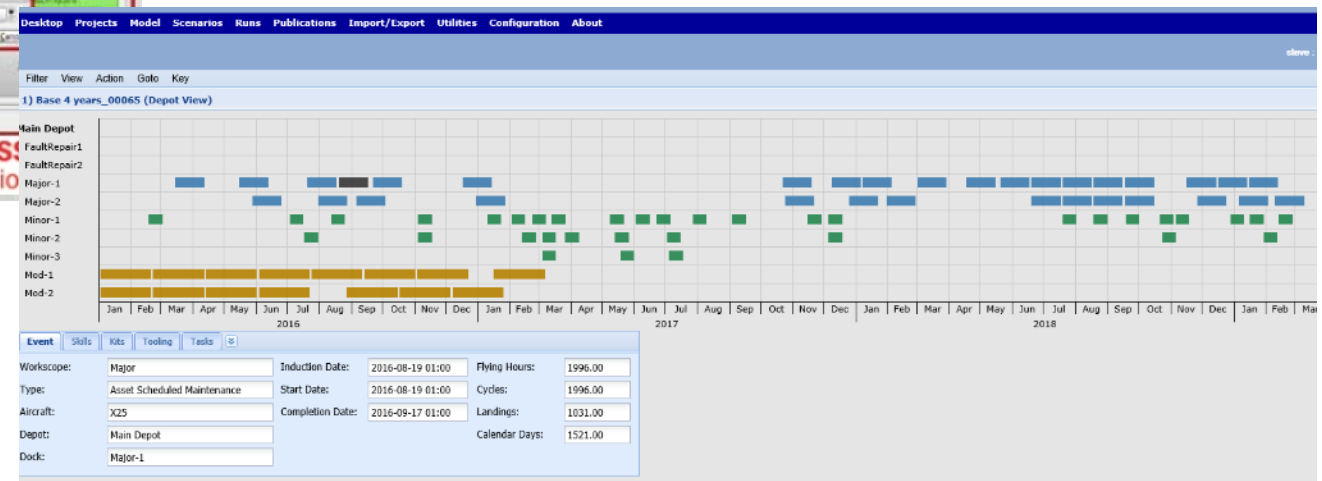
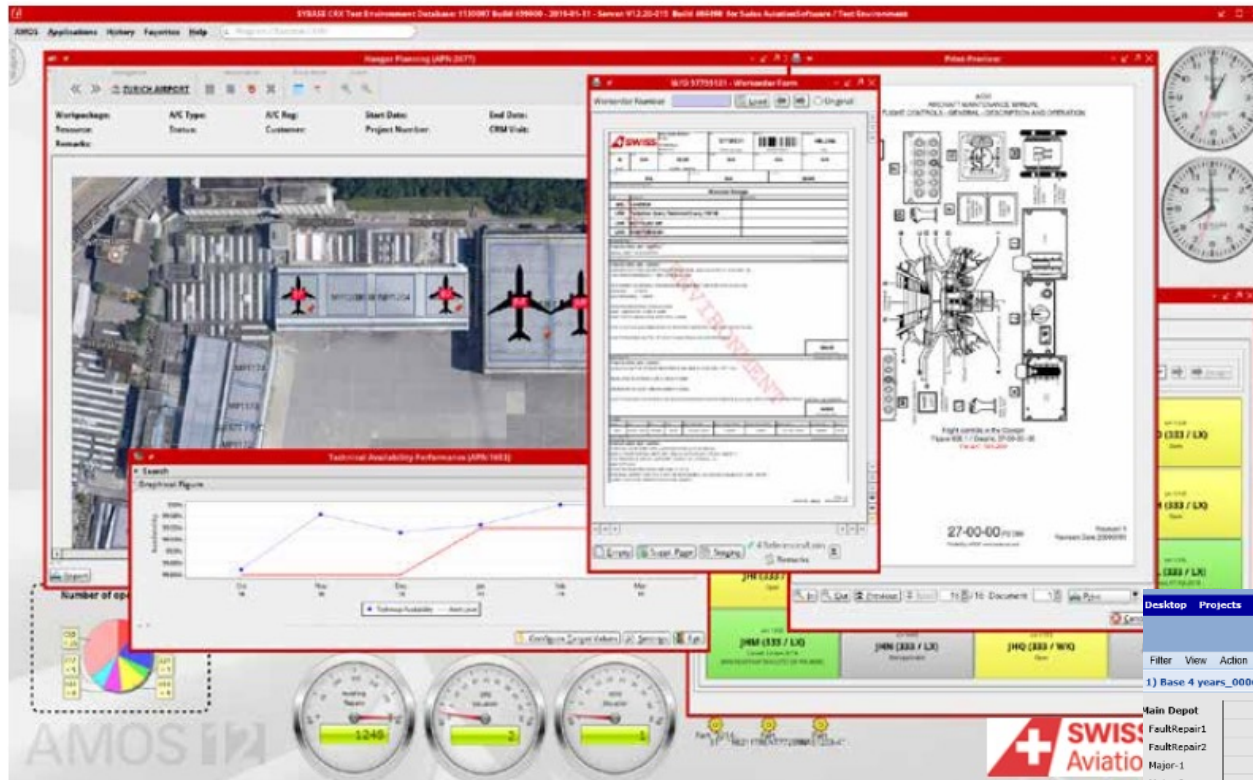
for digital, human and physical research into the sector's **next generation** aircraft maintenance systems



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Maintenance and Ops Control



Virtual Airline Operations Control



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Data Quality and Interoperability Cranfield Maintenance Program and CAMO

Cranfield CAMO

Accountable Manager – TBC

It is the responsibility of the **accountable manager** to ensure all **work carried out on the aircraft** is done so according to **approved procedures** as laid out in the **Boeing Aircraft Maintenance Manual**, and **other manufacturer-approved documentation**

It is the responsibility of the **Accountable manager** to ensure all **staff** observe and adhere to **safety and warning/caution notices** given in the Approved maintenance manual, when working on or near the aircraft

It is the responsibility of the **accountable manager** to ensure all access **equipment and tooling** utilised for the purpose of maintenance on the 737-400 are in a serviceable condition

Facilities

All maintenance will be carried out on campus at Cranfield University

Maintenance

All maintenance is to be carried out in accordance with manufacturer Approved documentation
All maintenance undertaken on the aircraft is to be **recorded** in the Aircraft Maintenance Manual, as well as by completion of the relevant **work pack worksheets** of the Parking Maintenance Programme
Any damage to the aircraft is to be recorded, and reported to the **Accountable Manager**

Aircraft Maintenance Programme Compliance

The aircraft is to be maintained in **accordance with the Cranfield 737-400 Parking Maintenance Programme**
This maintenance is to be planned in advance, using the **Parking Maintenance Record worksheet**, and resource made available in order to comply with the Maintenance Programme

Aircraft Records

All maintenance is to be recorded in the Aircraft Maintenance Manual
Completion of a Parking Maintenance Programme work pack should additionally be recorded by completion of the worksheet, as well as annotation of the **Parking Maintenance Record worksheet**

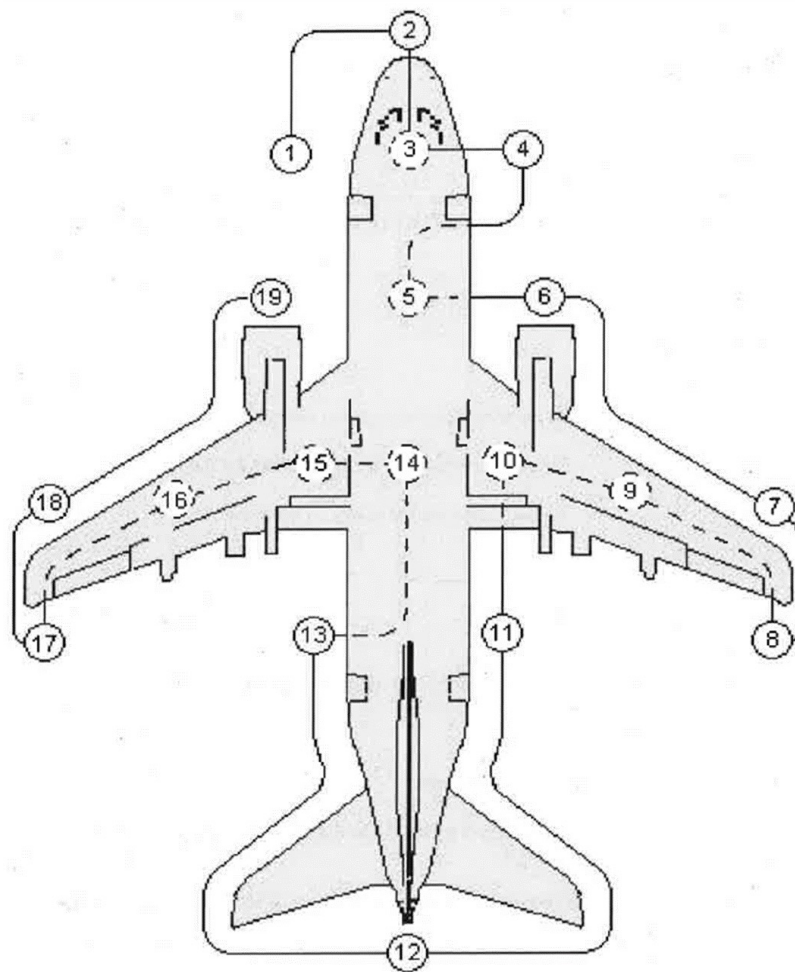
The image shows a detailed Aircraft Technical Report form for British Airways. The form is titled 'AIRCRAFT TECHNICAL REPORT' and includes sections for 'DEFECTS', 'OIL RECORD', and 'AIRCRAFT INFORMATION'. The 'DEFECTS' section contains handwritten entries for various issues, including 'N12 FURTHER', 'N1000 TU', and 'N1000 TU'. The 'OIL RECORD' section shows oil levels and changes. The 'AIRCRAFT INFORMATION' section includes details about the aircraft, such as the tail number 'G-DOCB' and the flight number 'BA 972'. The form is filled out with handwritten notes and signatures, indicating a completed report.

Aircraft Technical Report

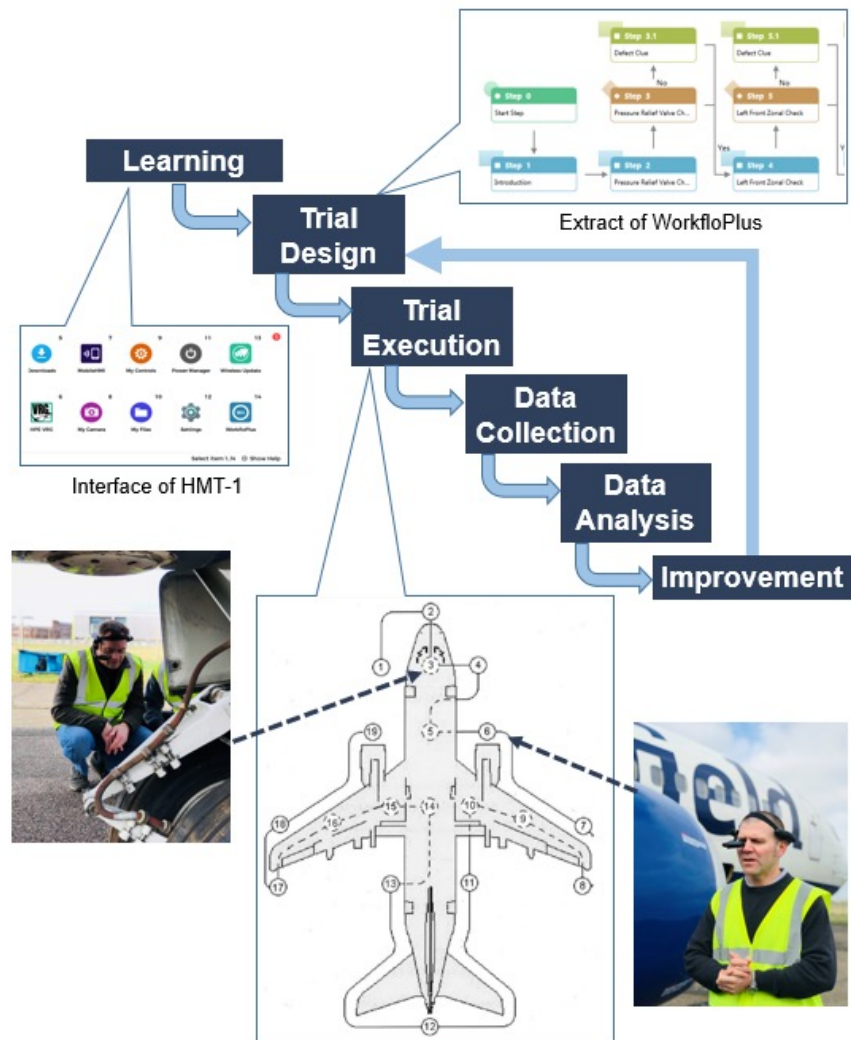
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Maintenance Task Card

Digital Engineer

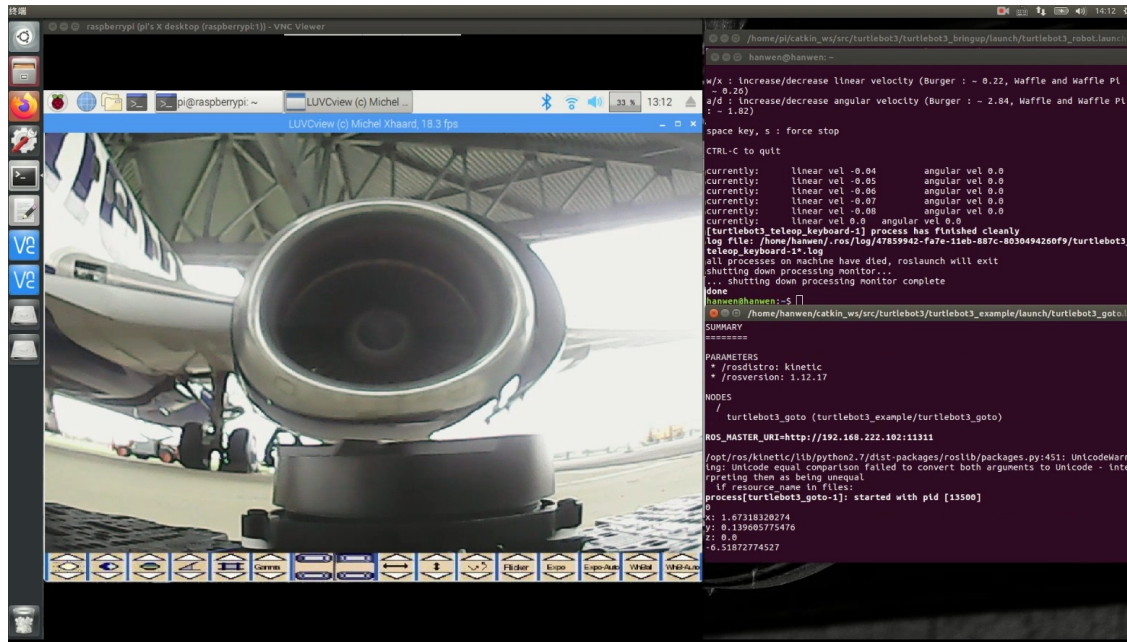


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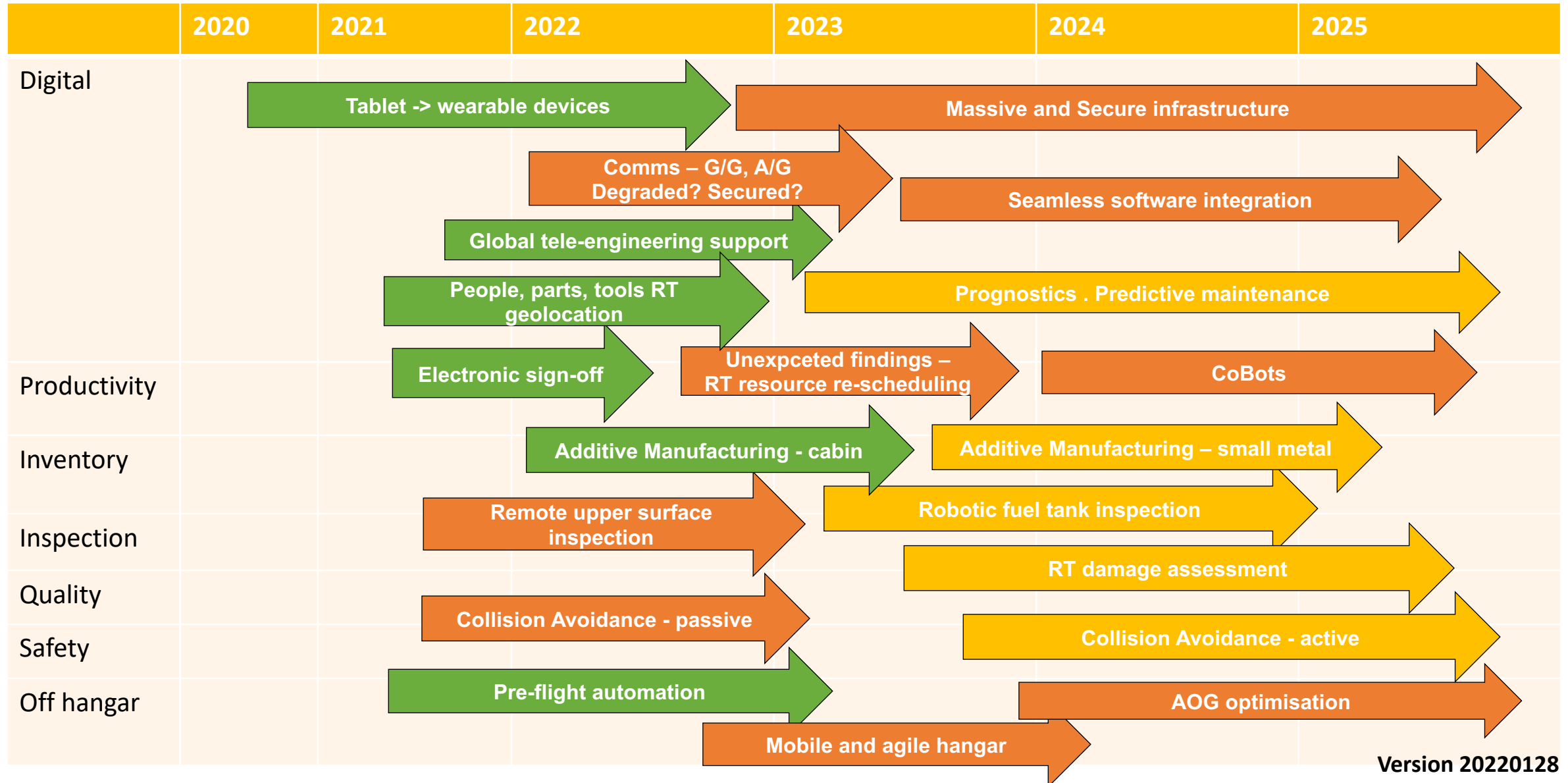
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Autonomous Inspection



Speculative Roadmap

LEGEND
Near term
Mid term
Future Development



MSc Digital Aviation Technology Management

(First Cohort October 2022)



Aviation Digital Technology Management MSc

Develop future leaders with digital skills to innovate solutions towards sustainability and efficiency in aviation.



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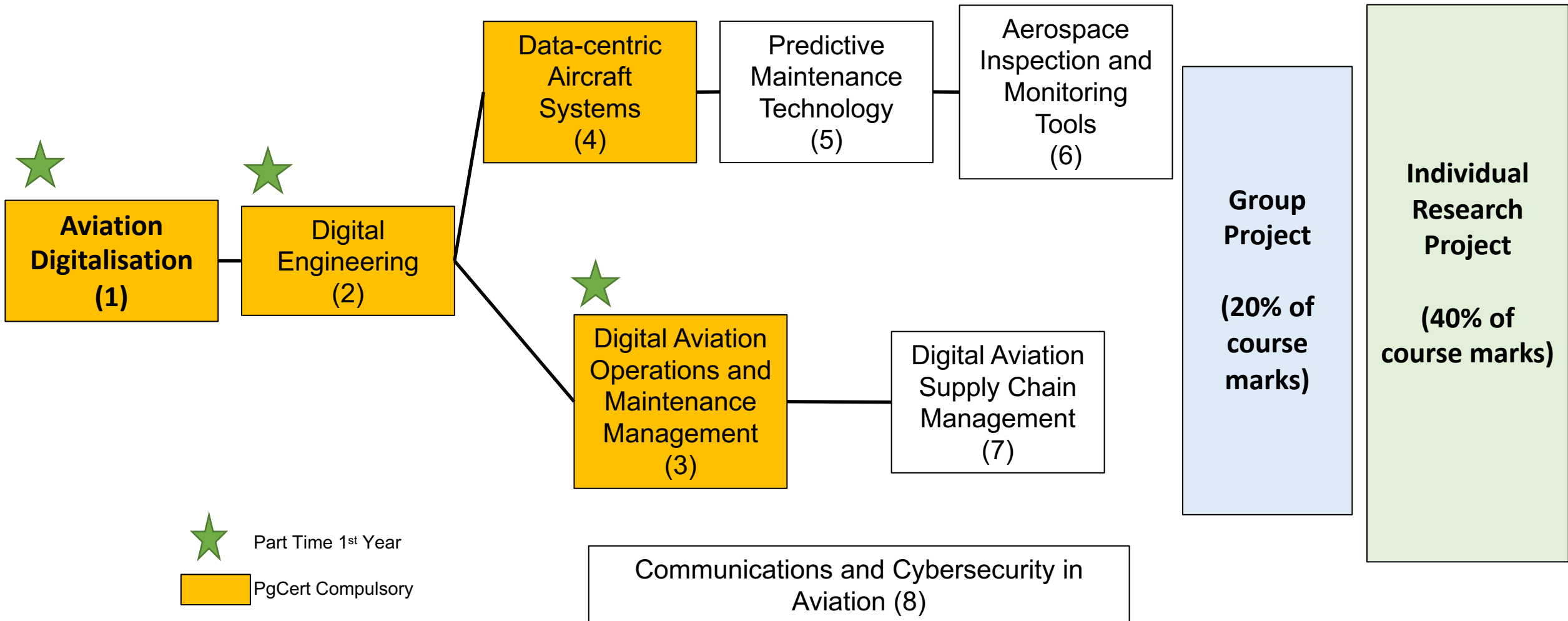
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Who is this for

- Fresh/recent aeronautical graduates aspiring to add Digital in postgraduate degree
- Fresh/recent engineering, computing, maths and physics graduates aspiring to enter aviation sector employment
- Engineers/managers already in aviation sector seeking postgraduate degree for career progression

Module flow



Entry Requirements

- A first or second class UK honours degree in engineering, or an equivalent degree in engineering, engineering science, physics, applied mathematics, or other appropriate applied science.
- Other recognised professional qualifications or several years relevant industrial experience may be accepted as equivalent; subject to approval by the Course Director.
- English requirements:
 - If you have previously obtained a higher education level qualification from a UK university and have been taught and assessed in English.
 - If you are a national of or have obtained a higher education level qualification from a country on the UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) list of majority English speaking countries.
 - If you have been continuously employed in the UK for a minimum of five years immediately prior to the start of the course, providing you are able to supply a reference from your current employer which explicitly confirms you are able to communicate effectively in English.
 - By providing a satisfactory English test certificate that meets the requirement of the course you have applied for.

Part Time Journey

- Part-time students register for the course in September and are expected to complete the course within 3 years.
- The Course Director discusses with each student to recommend the learning choices most appropriate to the student's background and career interest.
- The preferred path for part-time students is to complete modules 0,1,2,4 and one additional taught module, and the group project during the first year.
- In the second year, the student completes the rest of the taught modules and the Individual Research Project.
- For part-time students it is common that their individual project is undertaken in collaboration with their place of work.
- Students who need to pace the study over three years agree with the Course Director an appropriate learning path.



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