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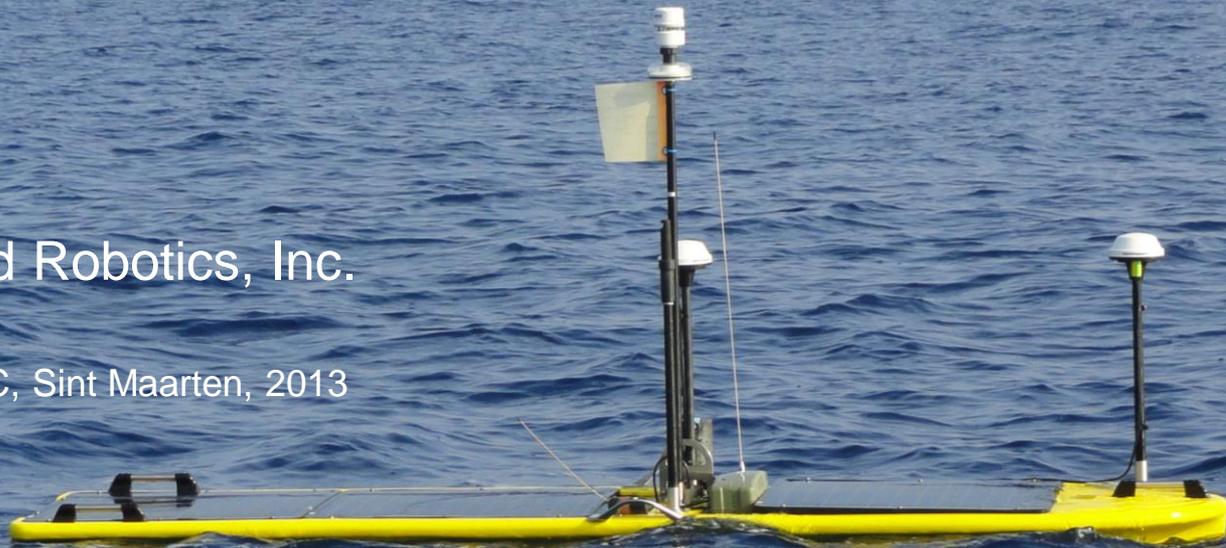
*Hydrone* Autonomous Multibeam Survey with Black Widow including  
Automated Post Processing

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# Outline

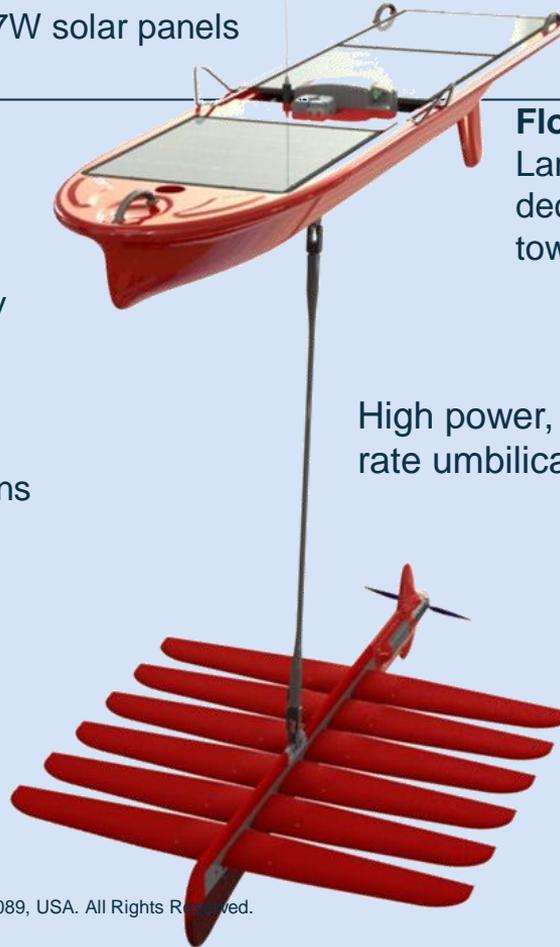
- Introduction to Wave Glider
  - SV3
  - How it works
- MB1 Integration with the Wave Glider

# Wave Glider SV3 design highlights

**Solar Power**  
3x 57W solar panels

**AMPS** (Adaptable Modular Power System)  
Up to 7.8kWh rechargeable battery capacity  
Expandable and configurable

**Regulus** Linux / Java control system  
Support autonomy and advanced applications  
High availability  
Threaded, multi-client support  
Encrypted data and communications



**Float**  
Large payload volume,  
deck space, and  
towing capacity

High power, high data  
rate umbilical.

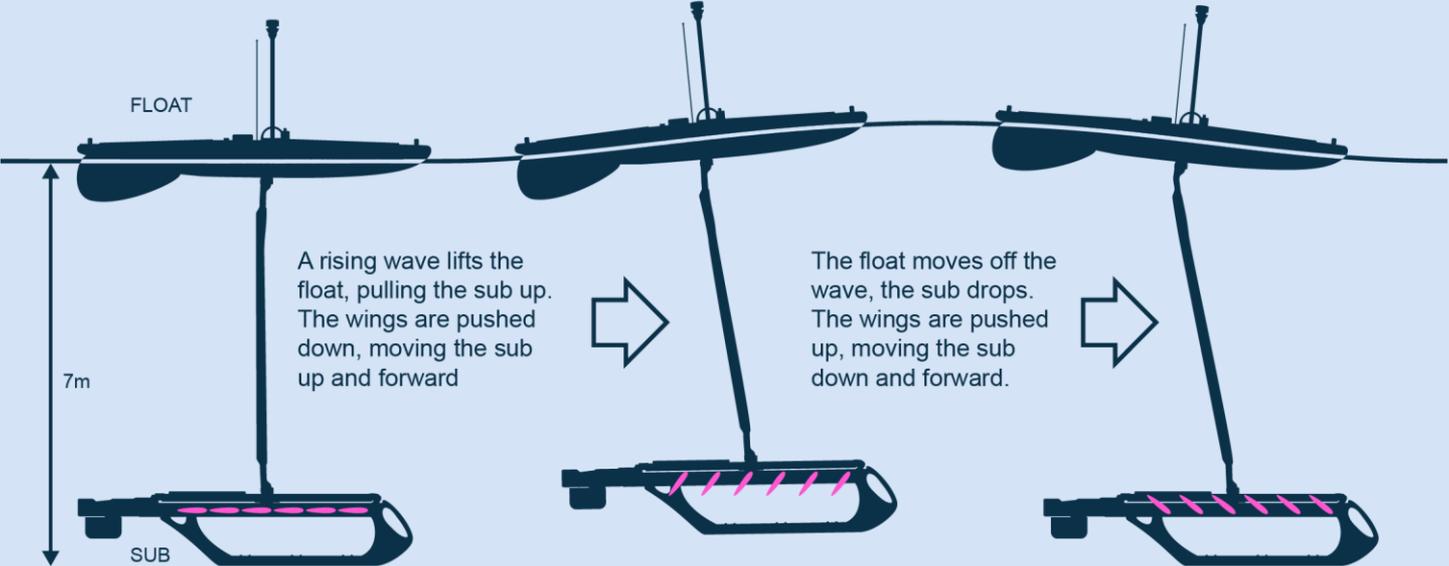
**Aux Thruster**  
Solar → thrust  
Burst speed  
Vectored thrust

**Hydrodynamic Design**  
Speed, towing capacity

# How It Works

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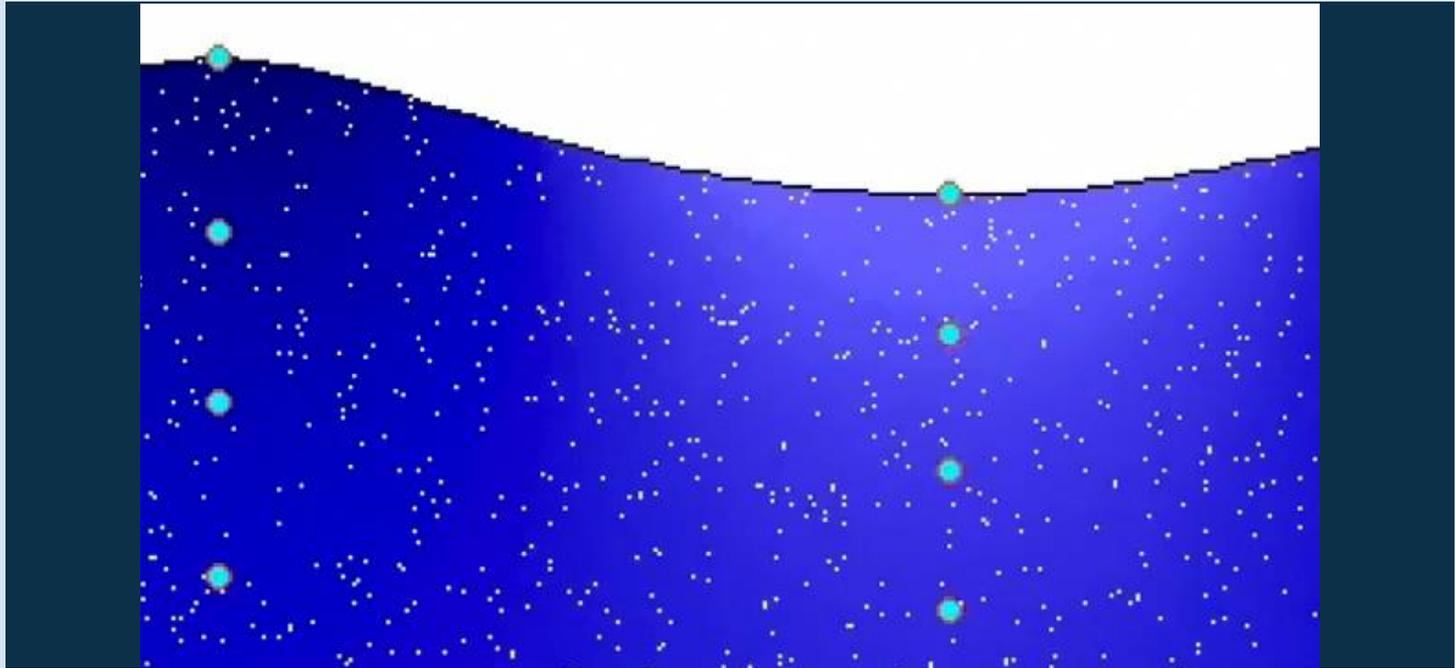


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3 U.S. and 9 foreign patents issued. 20 U.S. Provisional applications, 42 foreign applications.

# How It Works

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# Data Gathering Platforms

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## Satellites

- + Large Coverage
- “Best Guess” from 250 Miles Up
- Weather Limited
- \$7-11B Lifetime



## Ships

- + Large Coverage
- + Direct Tasking
- Human Risk to Deploy and Maintain
- Weather Limited
- \$20-155K Per Day



## Buoys

- + Direct Measurement
- Single Point
- Human Risk to Deploy and Maintain
- \$0.5-3M to Set (in deep ocean)
- Up to \$1M/Year to Maintain

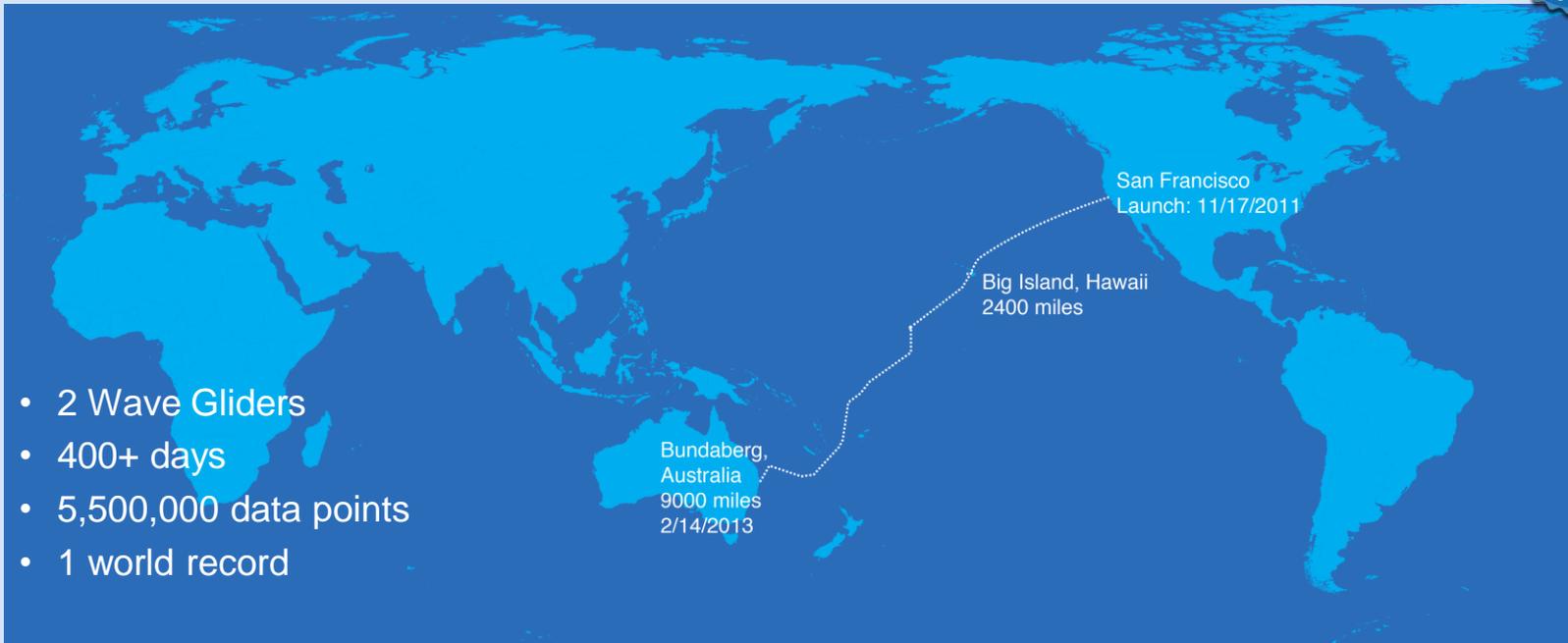


## Wave Gliders

- + Large Coverage
- + Direct Measurement
- + Direct Tasking
- + \$1-3K Per Day

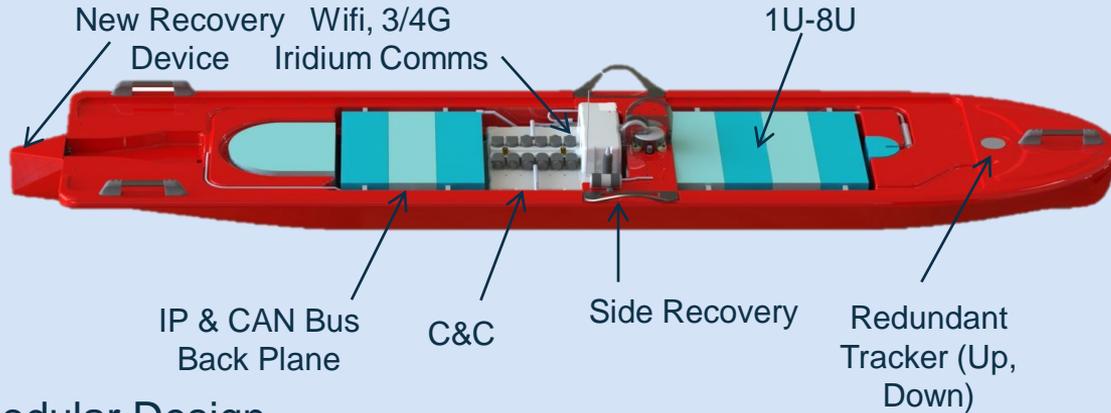
# PacX Challenge

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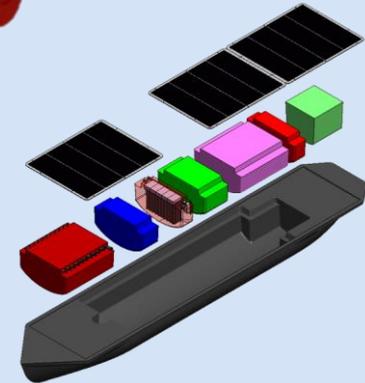


- 2 Wave Gliders
- 400+ days
- 5,500,000 data points
- 1 world record

# Float



- Modular Design
- High-Power payloads
- Ethernet connectivity
- Cellular Network connectivity

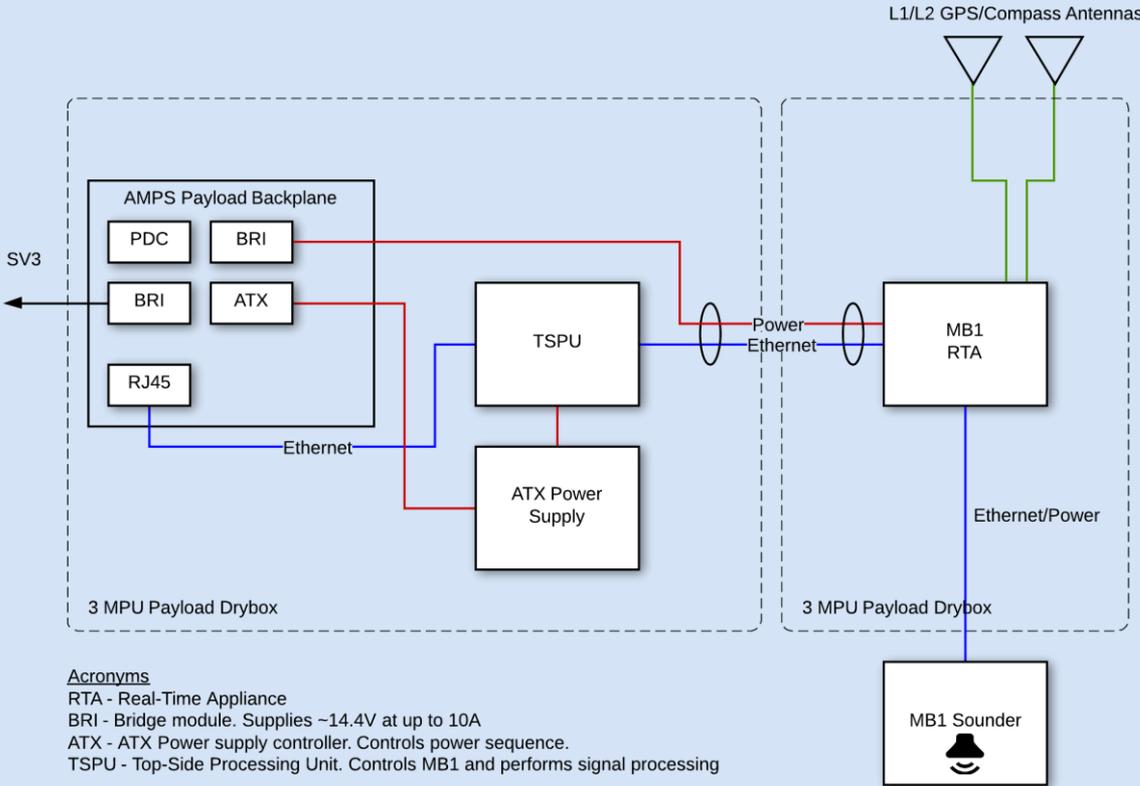


Variable sized,  
modular “float units”

## CARIS/Teledyne Odom/LRI Project Goals

- Demonstrate near real-time acquisition of Hydrographic survey data combining:
  - Wave Glider platform
  - Teledyne ODOM MB-1 Multi-beam Sonar
  - CARIS HIPS signal processing and visualization software
- Present live demonstration at IHO Meso American Caribbean Hydrographic Commission Meeting in St Maarten, Dec 9-12, 2013
- Live data will be provided by a system deployed near LRI's Hawaii facility (Kawaihae, HI)

# System Block Diagram



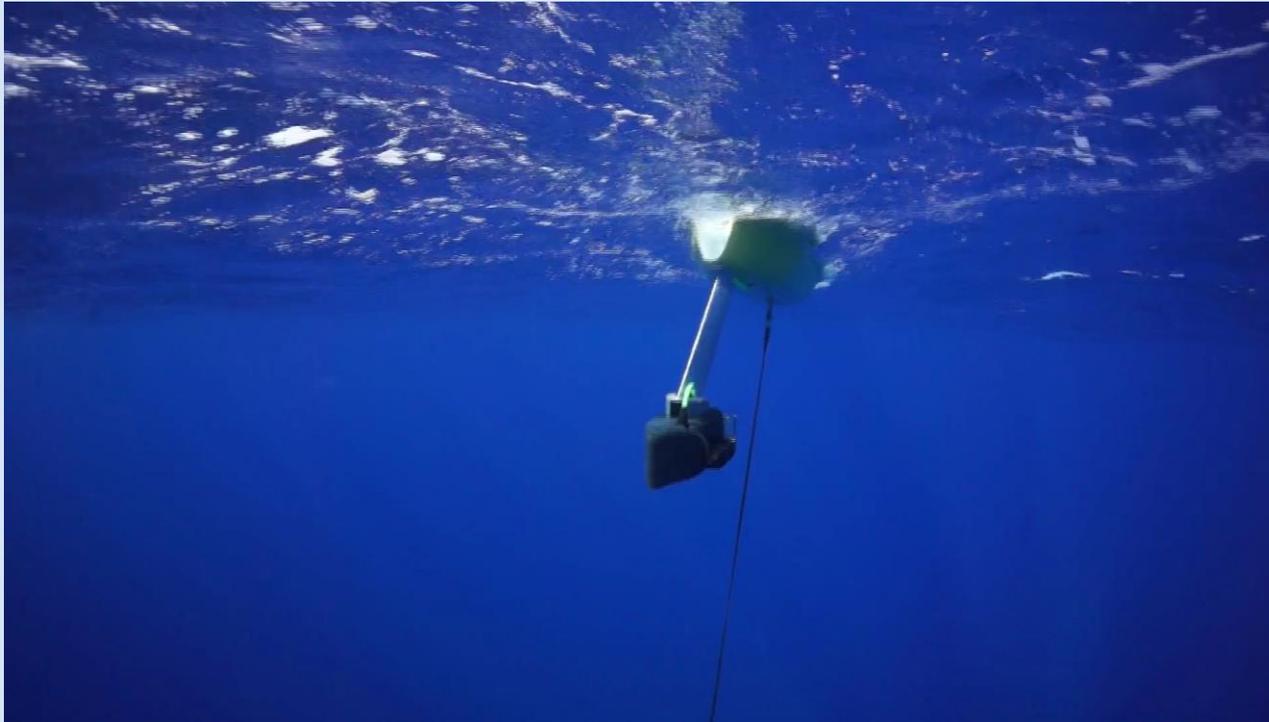
# Sonar Mounting

- Skeg used on the Wave Glider to stabilize the float
- Mounted on alternative skeg made from aluminum sailboat spar material
- Streamlined skeg with faring
- Sensor submerged ~1m
- Less interference between sonar and glider (Glider typically leads float)



# Sounder Mounting

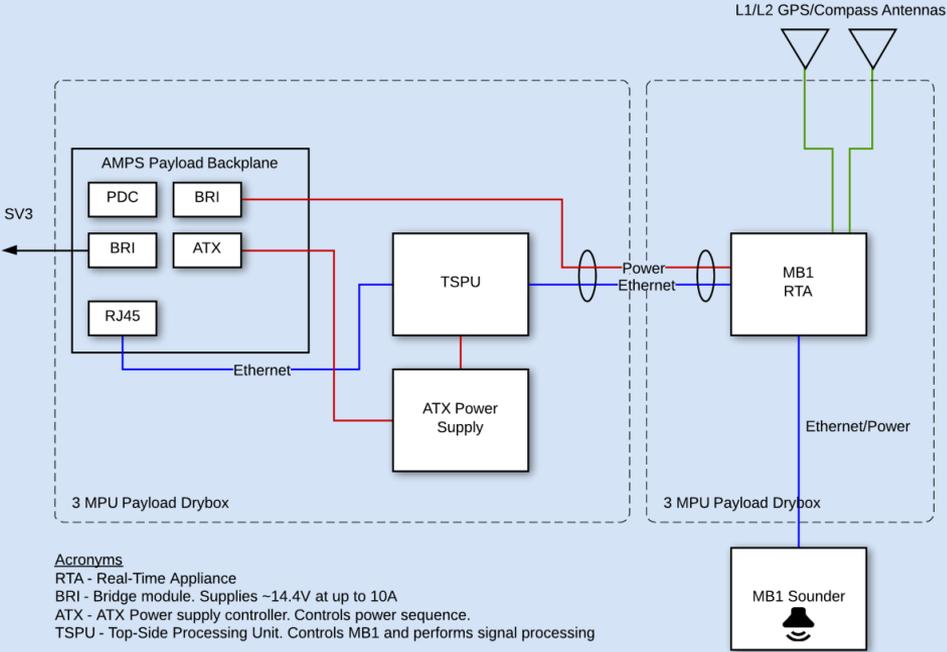
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# Electronics Packaging

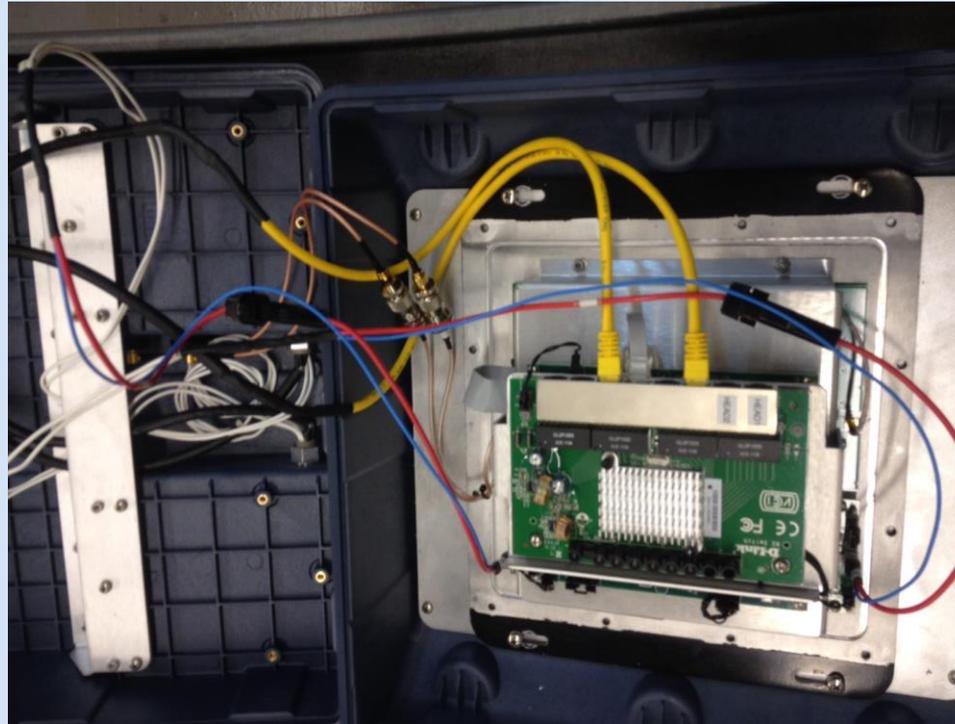
- Two separate boxes to house the RTA and TSPU
  - Improved power dissipation
  - Ease of integration
- TSPU
  - ADL Embedded Solutions ADLQM67PC-2715QE
    - Intel Quad Core i7 2.1-3GHz
    - 8GB DDR3-1333 RAM
    - Dual Ethernet
      - Core system/cell modem
      - RTA
    - Designed for heat-sink fan less installations
    - 128Gb SLC Solid-state hard drive
- RTA
  - Unit from Teledyne Odom installed with little modification (only the cover removed)

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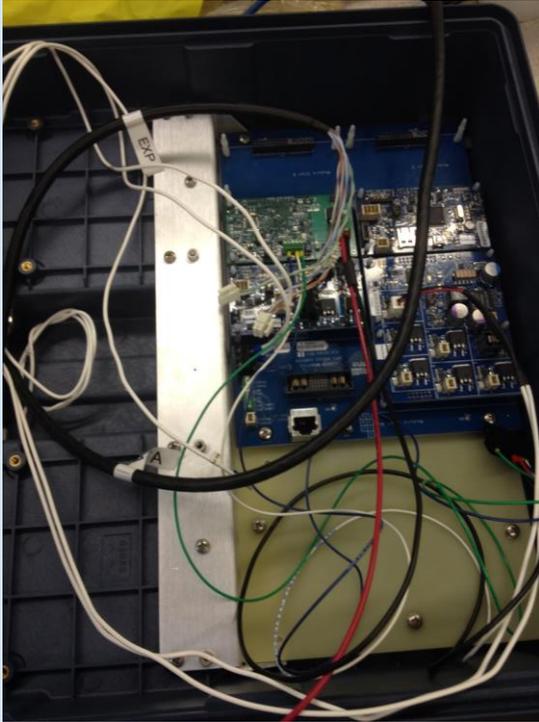
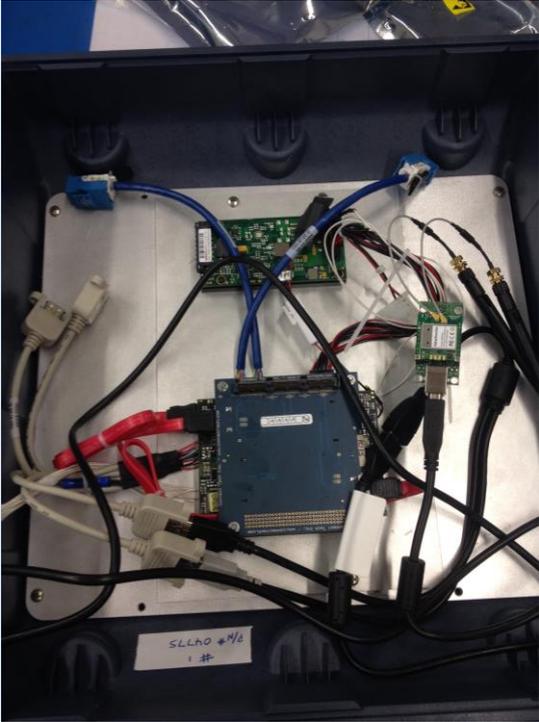
# Electronics Packaging - RTA

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# Electronics Packaging - TSPU

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# Software Integration

- TSPU Communicates to shore over Cell Modem
- Desktop connection using TightVNC
  - Can use existing Teledyne Odom and CARIS software

# Deployment



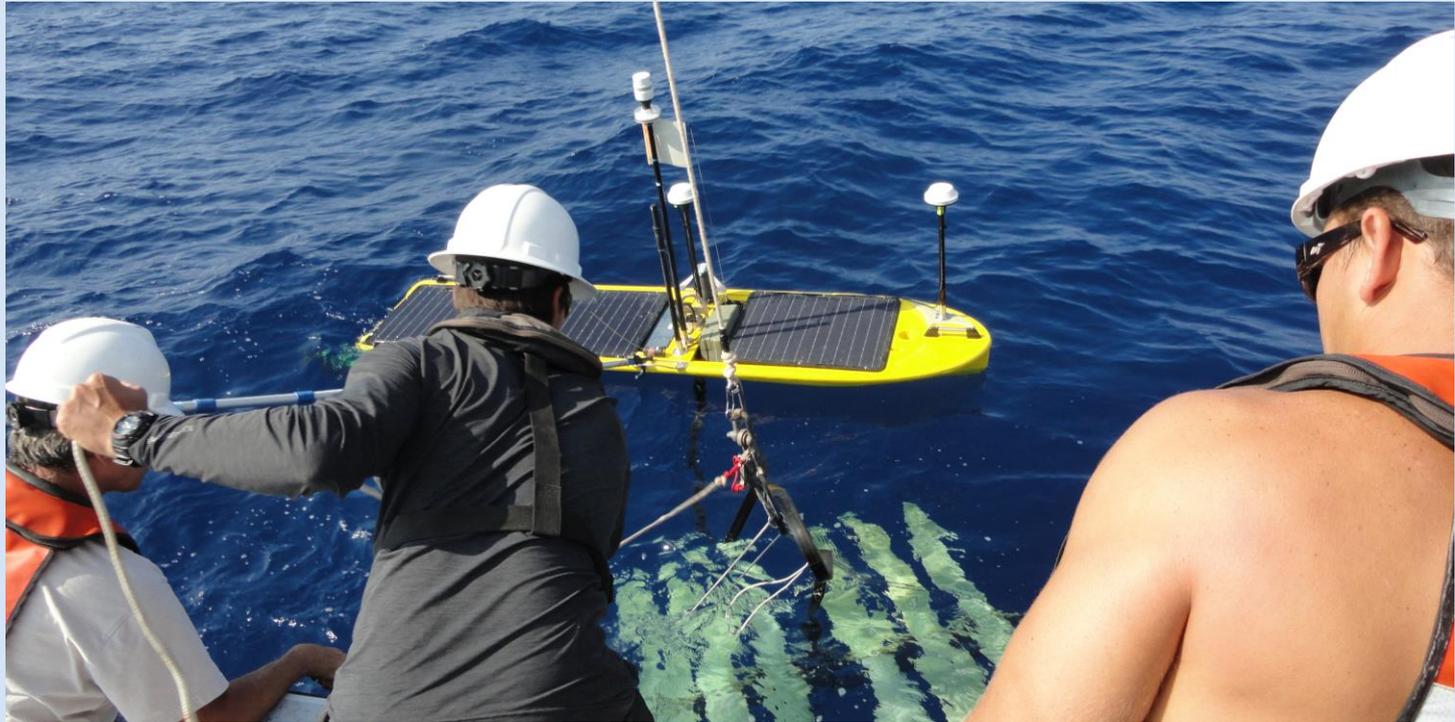
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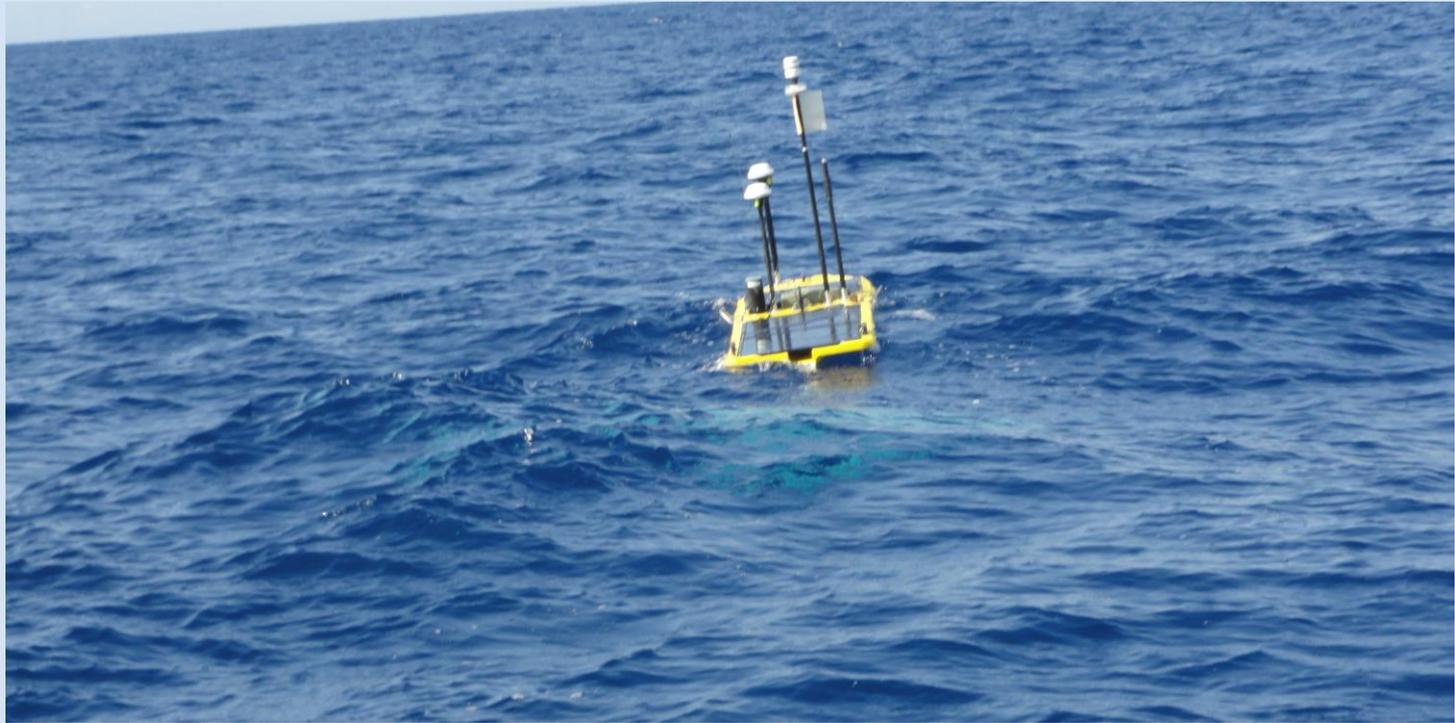
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# System Operating Power

## Required Core Components

Subsystem	Power (W)
Iridium	0.22
GPS	0.18
VMC	2.29
Rudder	0.55
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.24</b>

## Optional Core Components

Subsystem	Power (W)
Weather	1.81
Water	1.28
Cell Modem	2.52
Ethernet SW	2.78
AIS	1.34
<b>Total</b>	<b>9.73</b>

Plus thruster power

## Payload Component

Subsystem	Power (W)
RTA	47.24
TSPU	43.98
<b>Total</b>	<b>91.22</b>

Solar collection ~540W·hr/day