

Special Issue

Path Planning, Trajectory Tracking and Guidance for UAVs

Message from the Guest Editors

Path planning, trajectory tracking, and guidance are essential aspects for the autonomous operations of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles. These processes involve the determination of the optimal path, implementation of the planned path, and real-time adjustments to ensure accurate tracking and obstacle avoidance. Moreover, the implementation of planned paths while considering external factors such as wind and turbulence, along with real-time guidance adjustment, ensures UAV's safety and stability. Research in this area focuses on developing advanced algorithms and control systems that enable UAVs to operate autonomously and effectively in complex environments. This Special Issue aims to collect the latest research results for path planning, trajectory tracking and guidance of UAVs, which are fundamentally important for the autonomous operations of UAVs.

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