

Firefighting UAV

Software Model
in **RoboChart**



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why the Firefighting UAV?



large-scale robot verification task
complex hardware and software
multi-team, multi-site collaboration

- 1 Cameras (thermal, depth, RGB)
- 2 Nozzle attached to gimbal
- 3 Arduino (pump/gimbal control)
- 4 Arm
- 5 Battery
- 6 Pump
- 7 Onboard computer
- 8 Water bag
- 9 UAV



hardware
(to be abstracted)

software (planning flowchart)

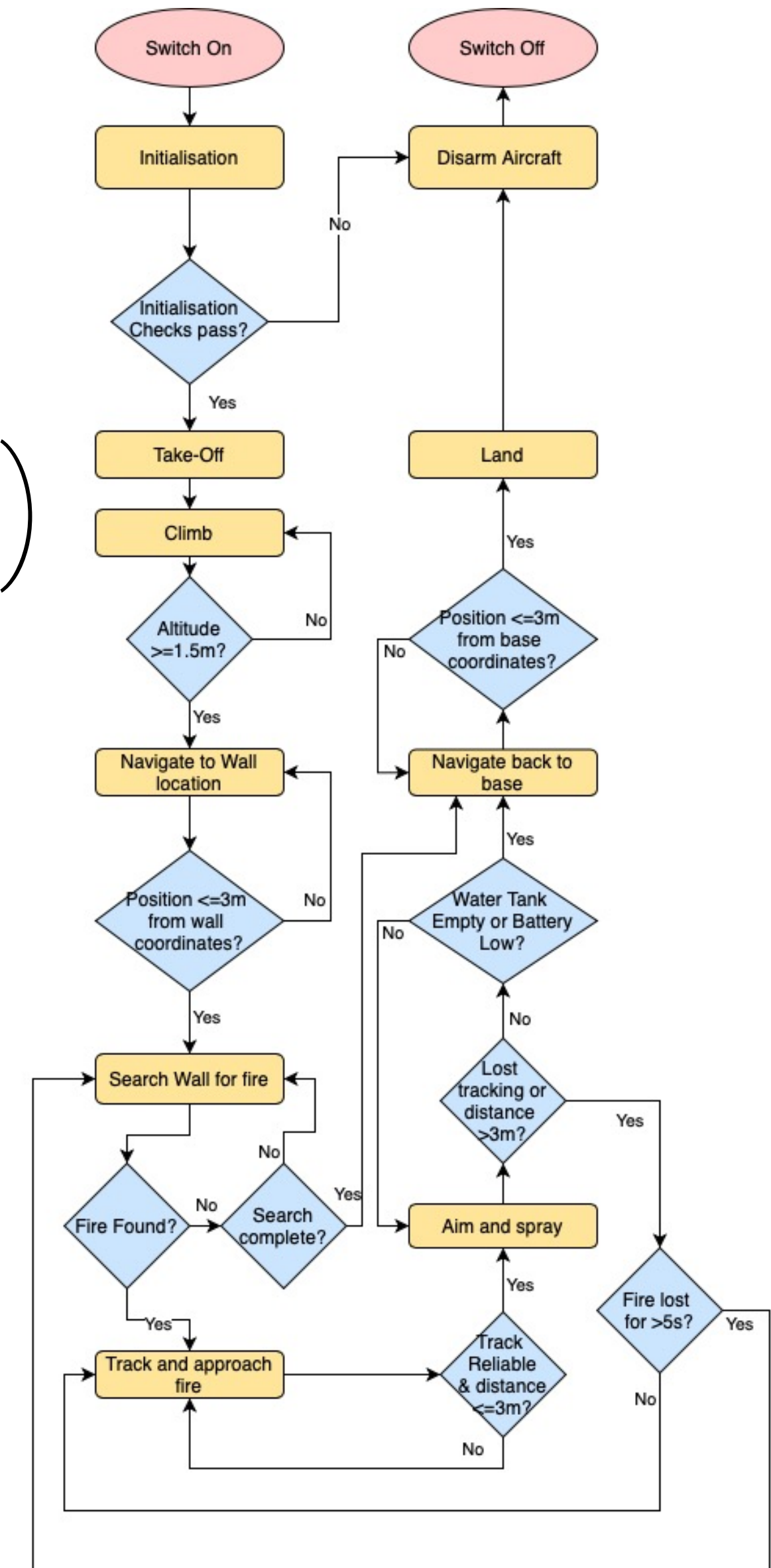
fly to wall

search wall in pattern

if fire detected: spray it

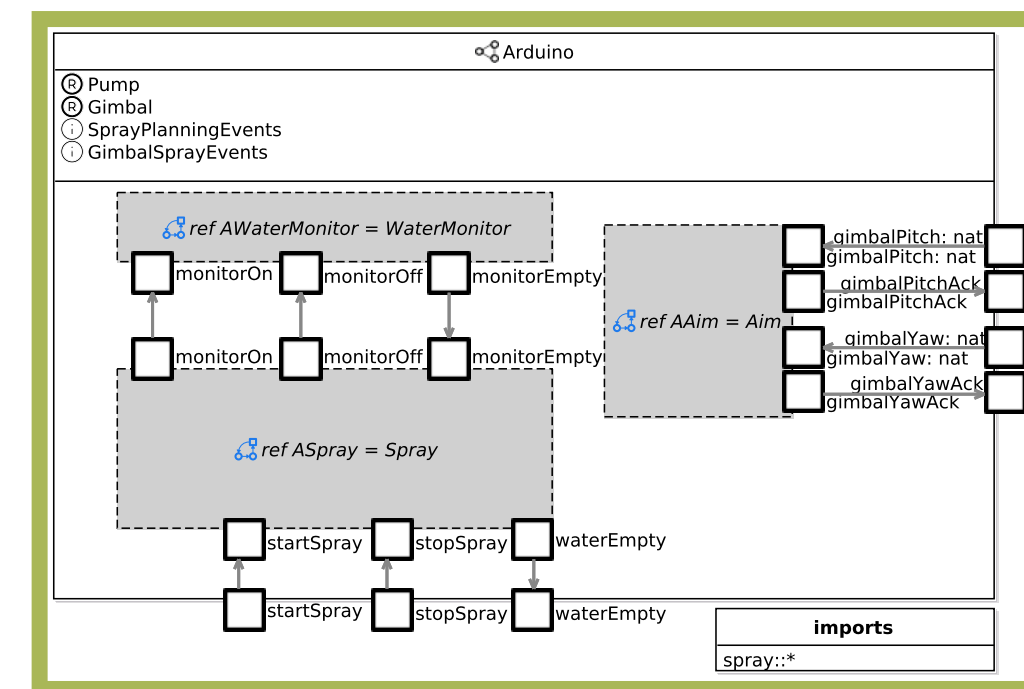
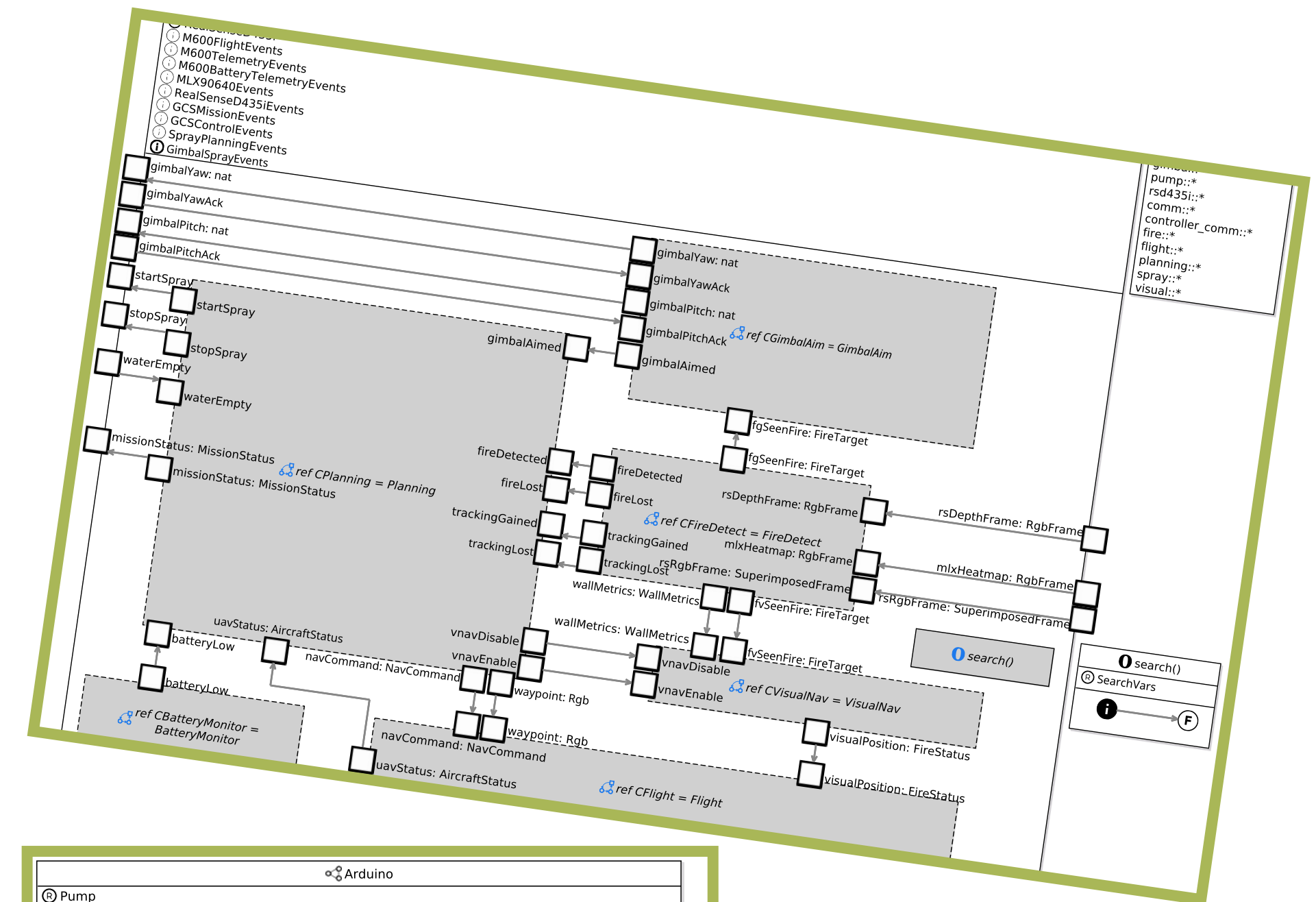
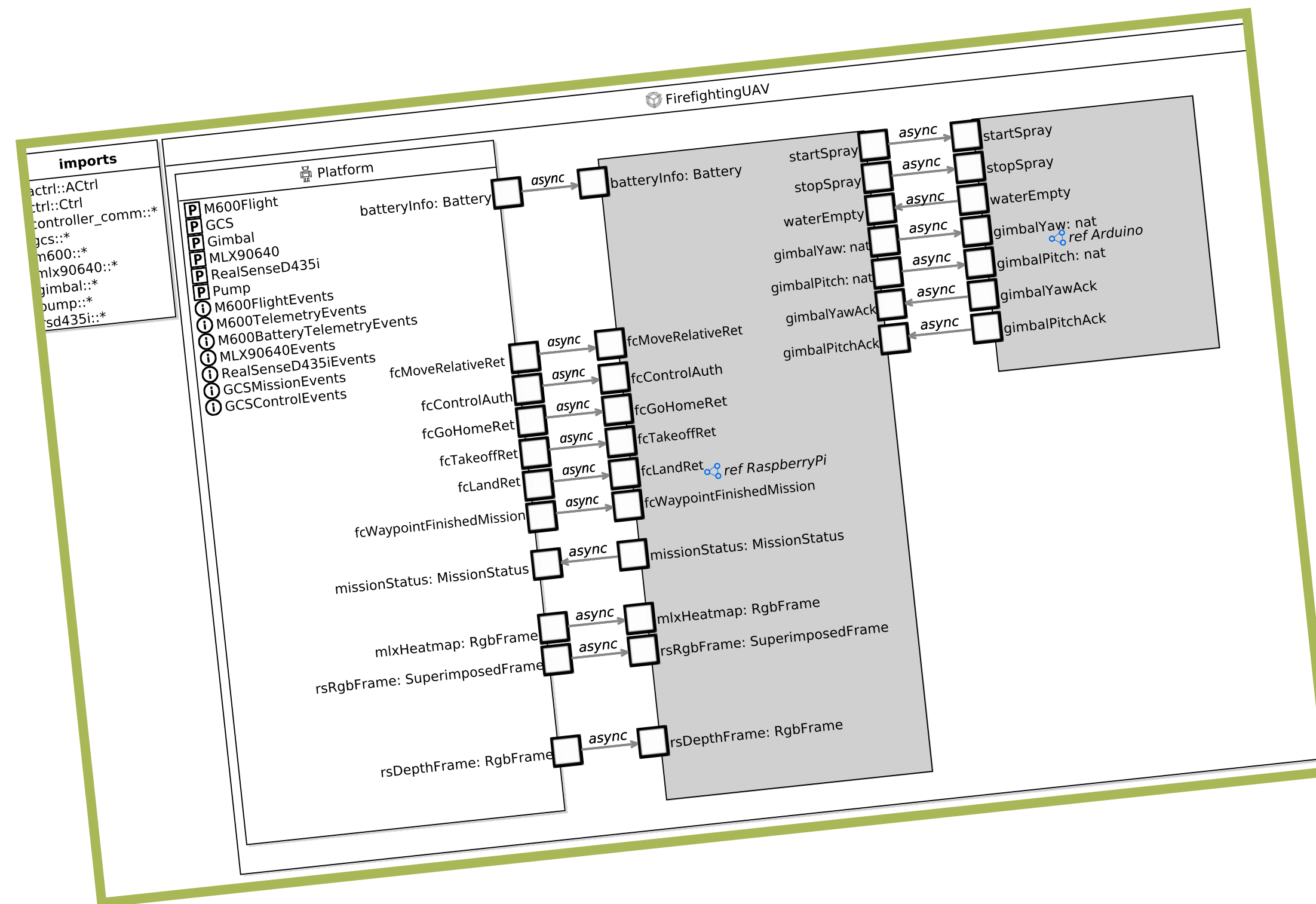
if fire lost, return to searching

when wall searched or out of resources: go home



goal

model of the UAV software design in RoboChart



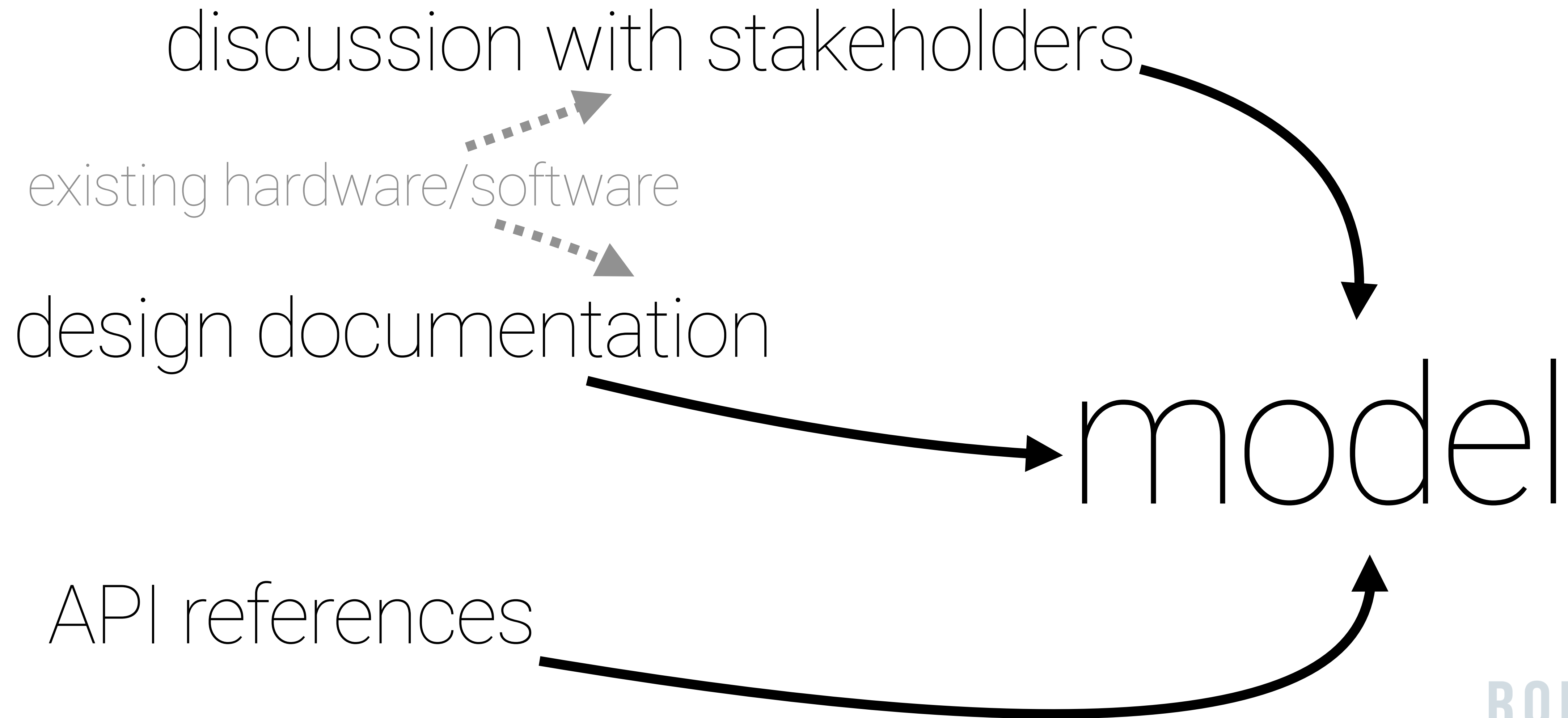
verification (eventually using **RoboCert**)

simulation (via **RoboSim**)

code generation

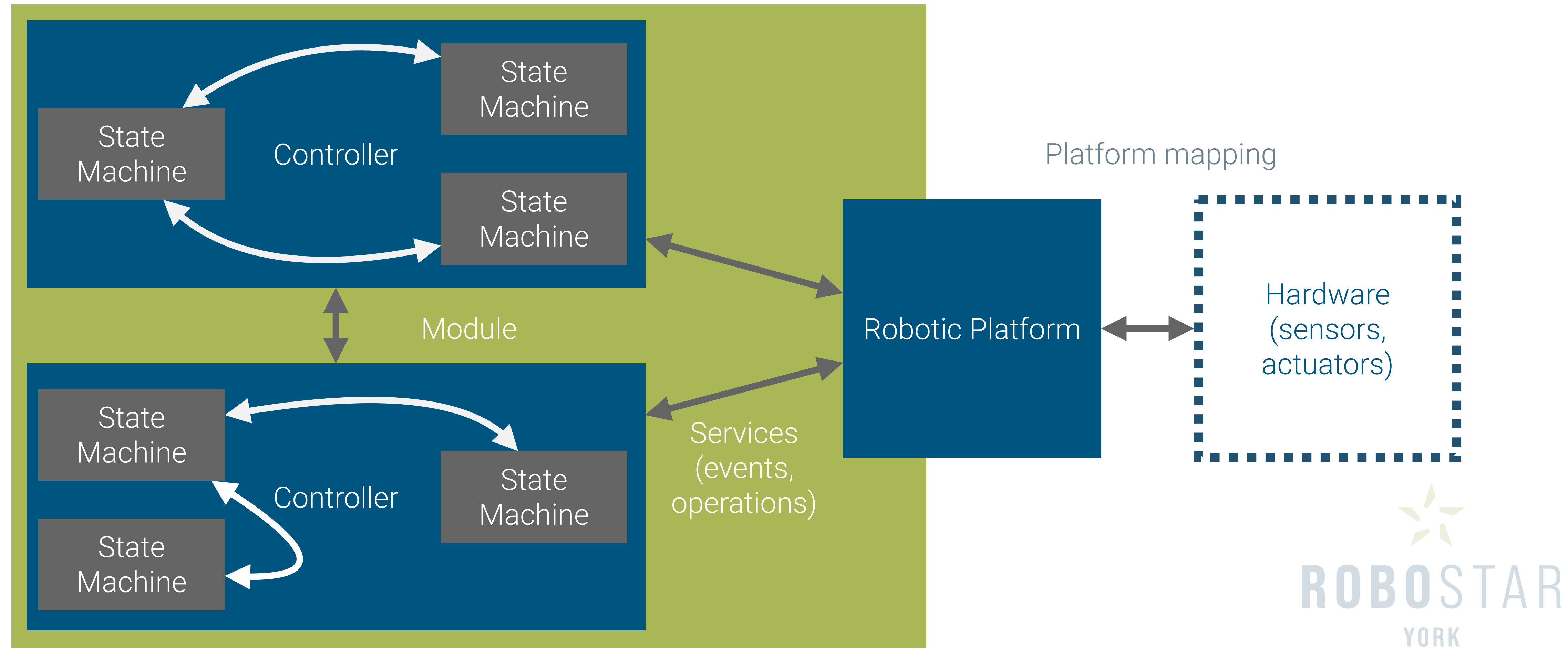
explicit record of decisions/ambiguities

...why
RoboChart?

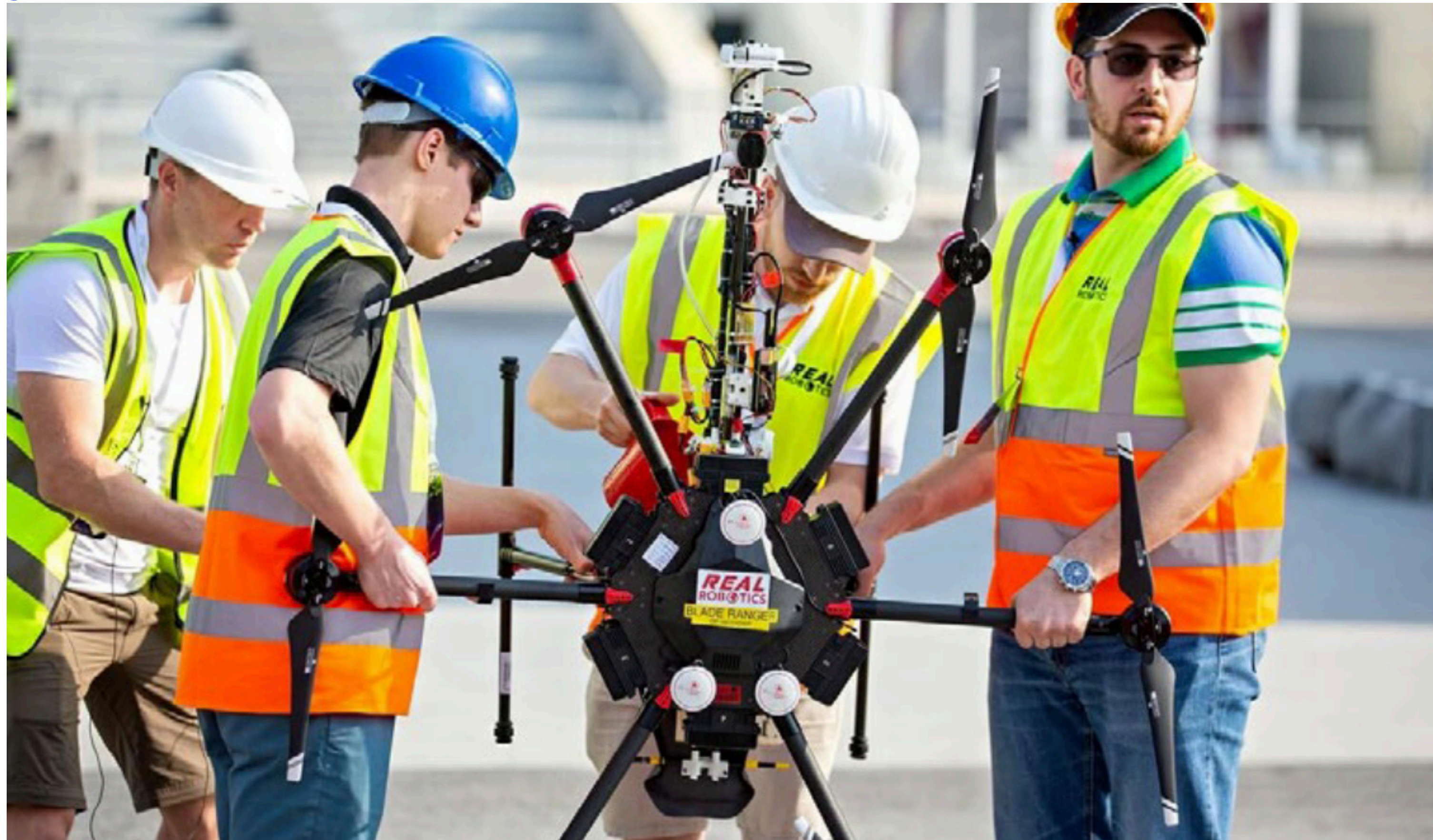


Starting the modelling process

RoboChart component model



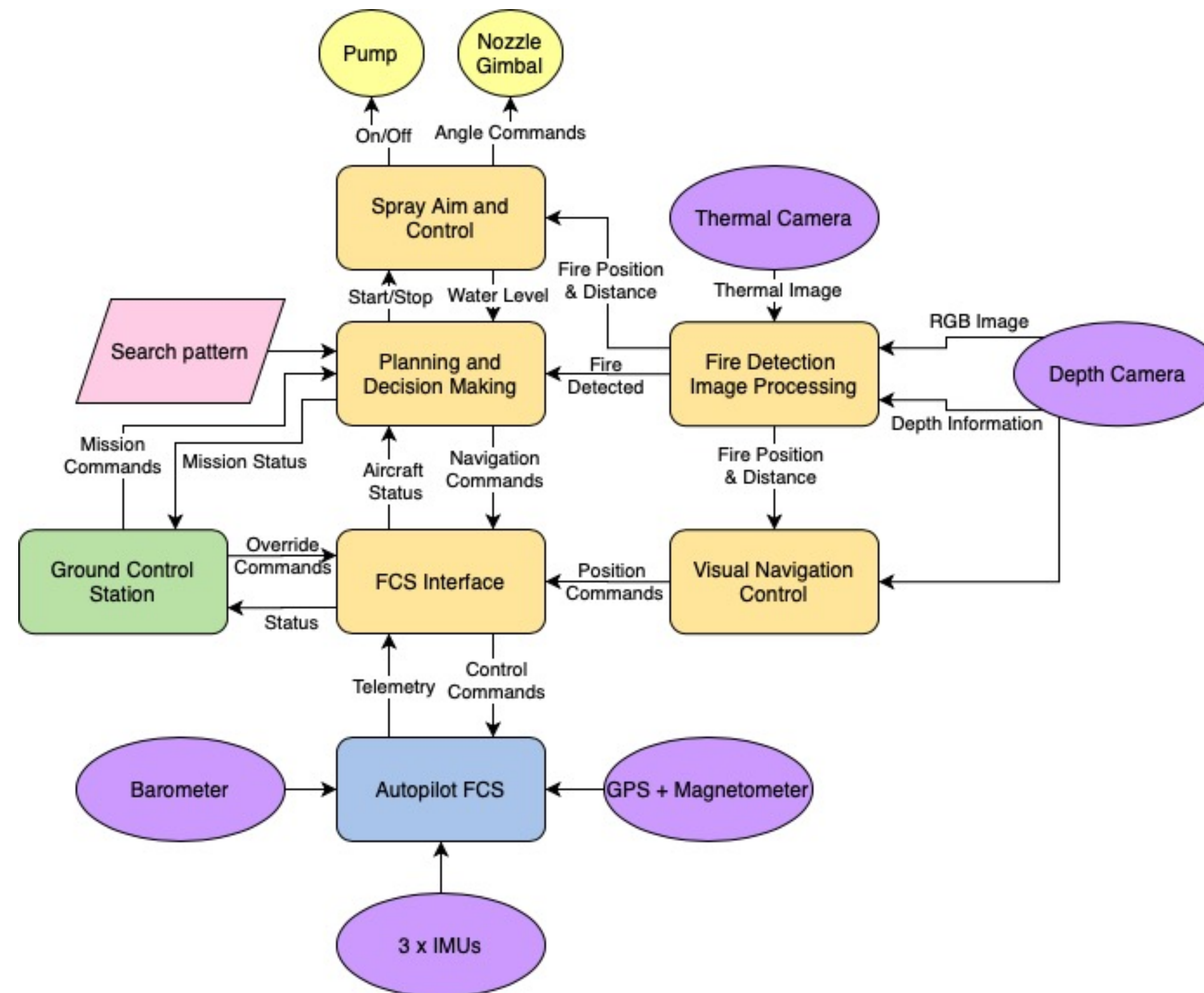
Arduino: gimbal motor control, pump on/off, water level monitoring



NUC: high-level planning, computer vision, interfacing with flight control

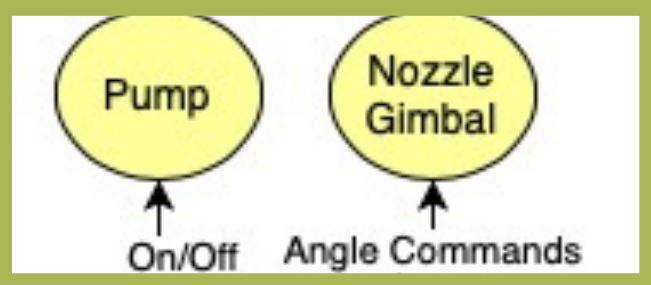
Documentation

High-level block diagram

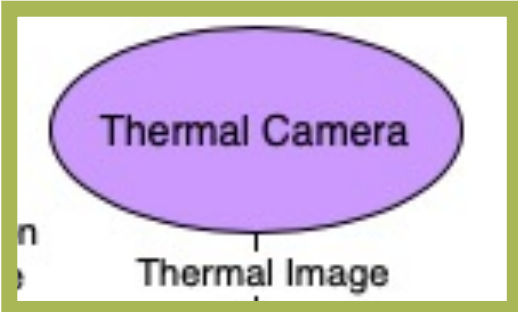


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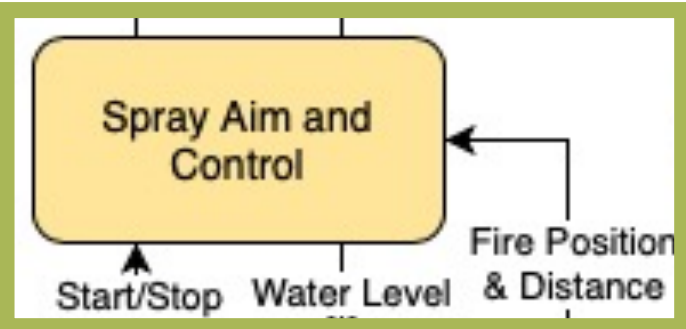
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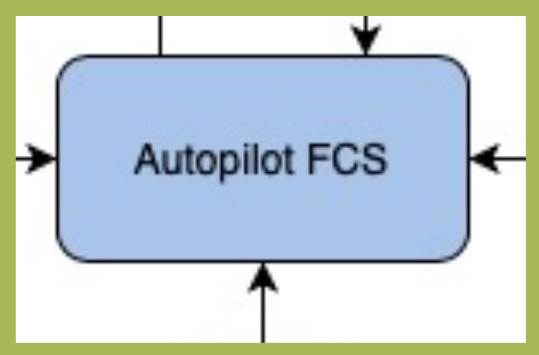
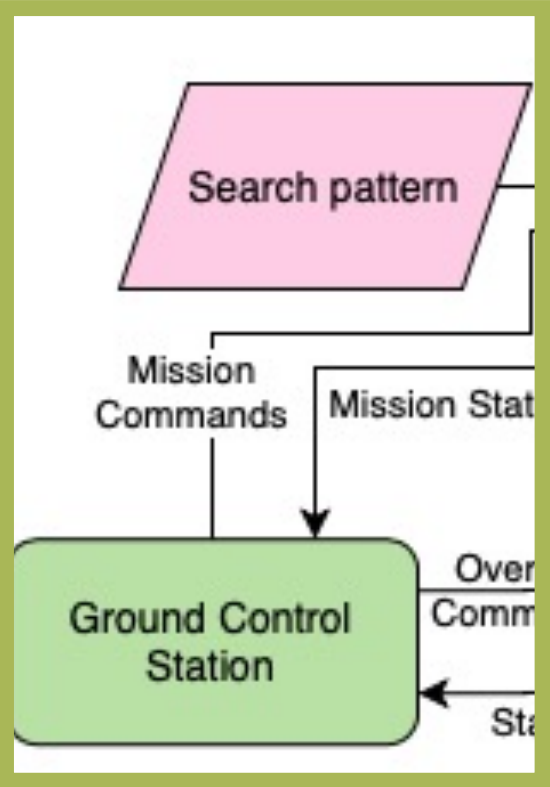
Arduino-bound hardware



NUC-bound hardware



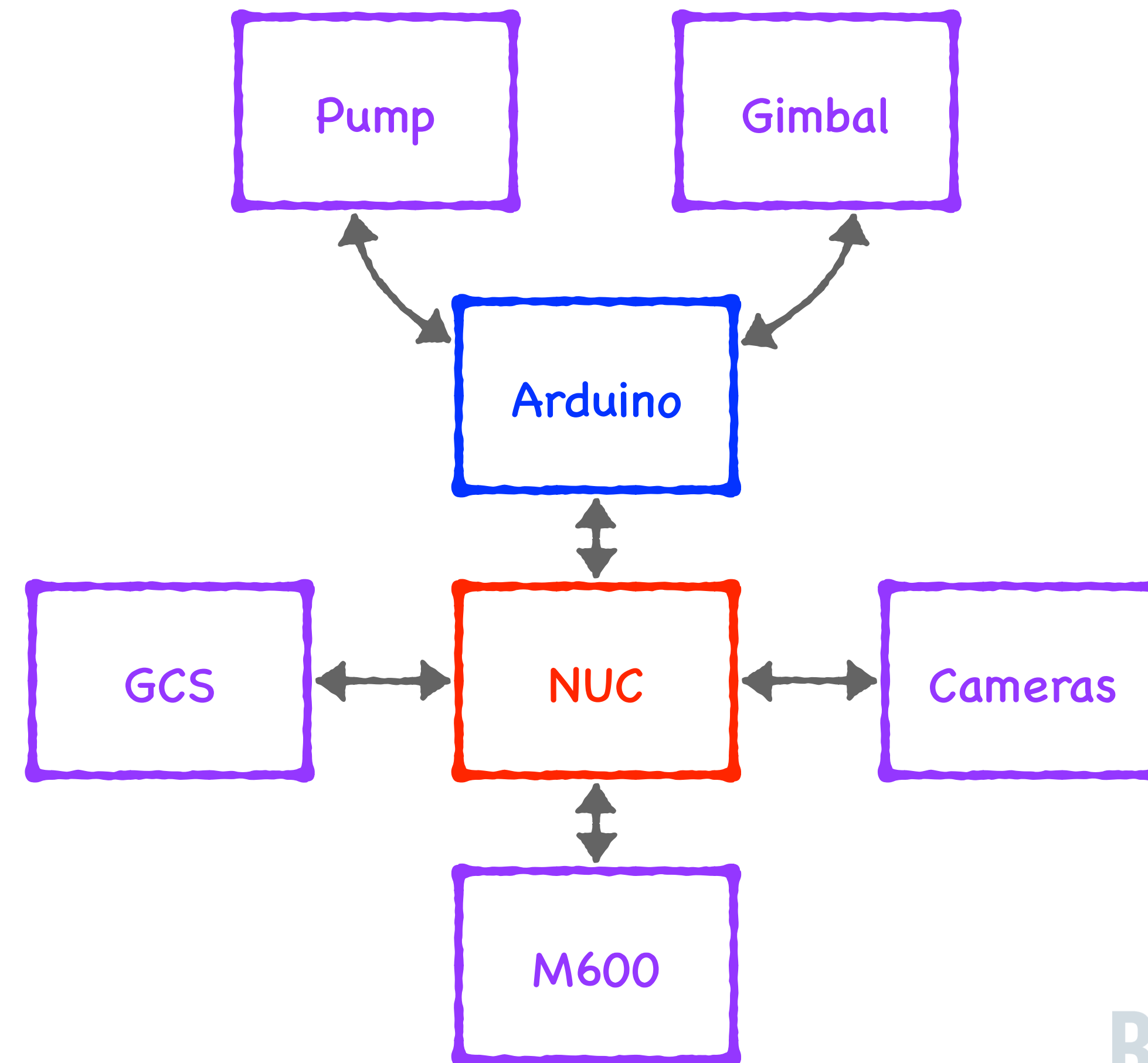
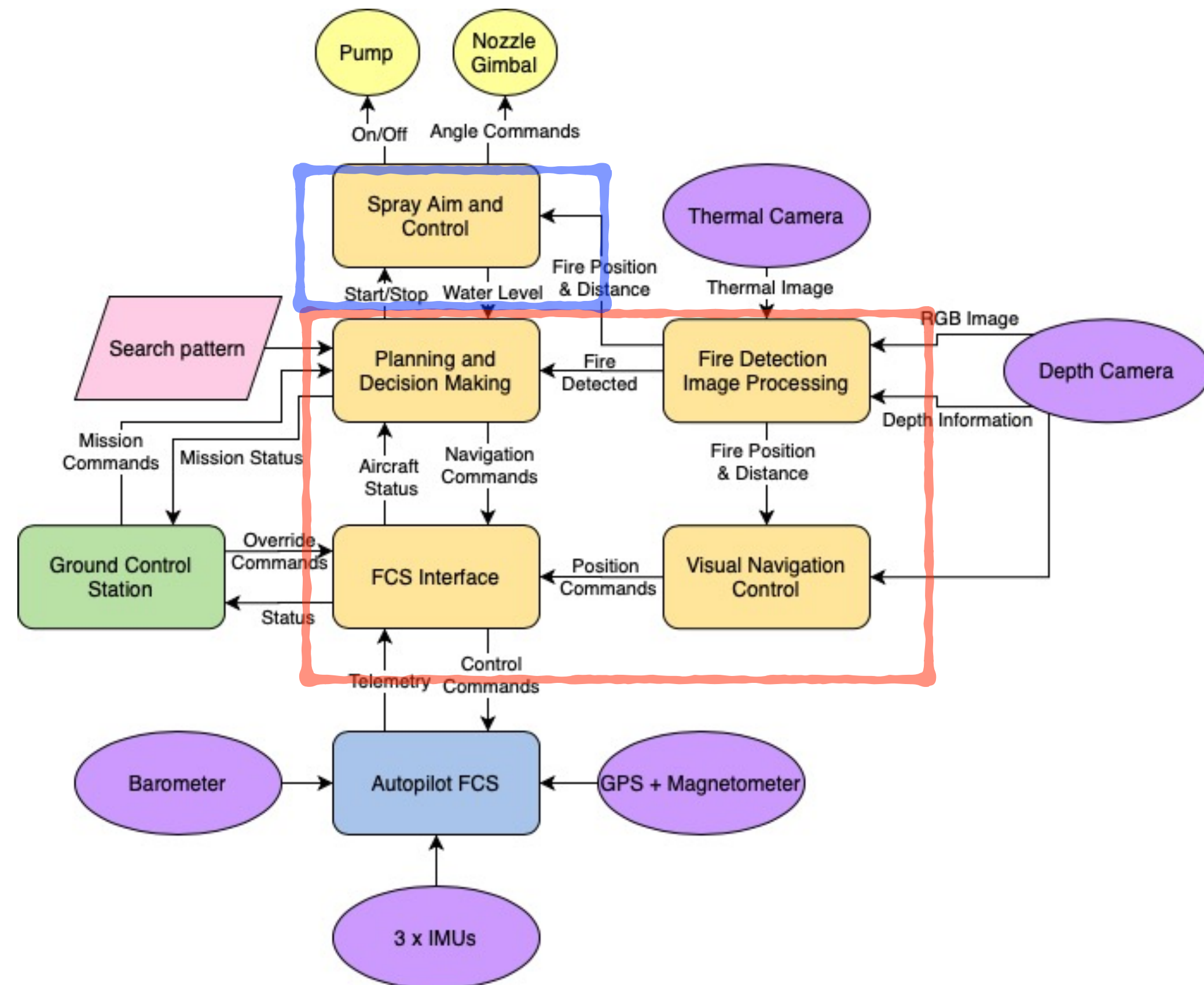
Software task



Miscellaneous (modelled as software or hardware)

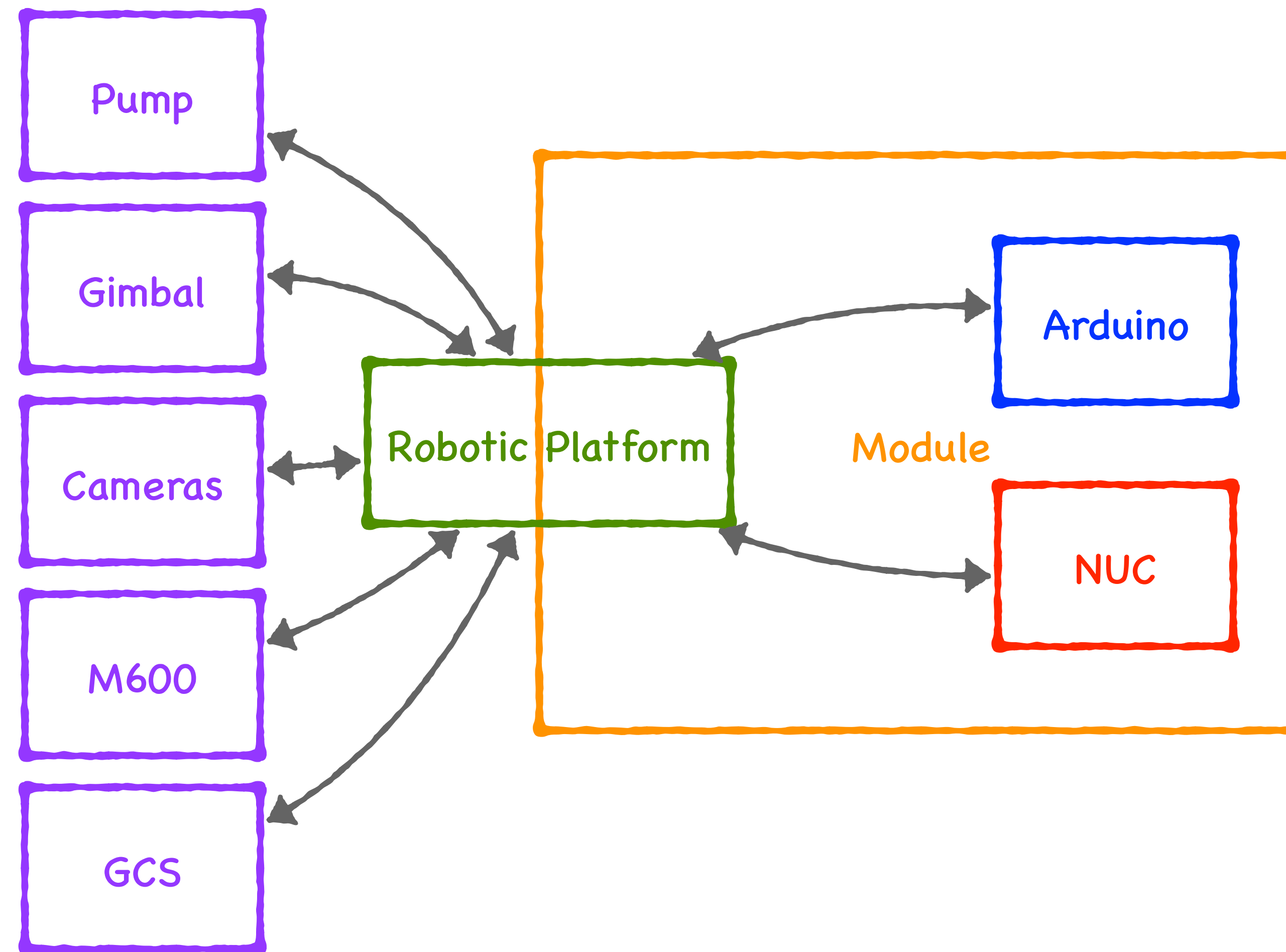
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Finding the controllers



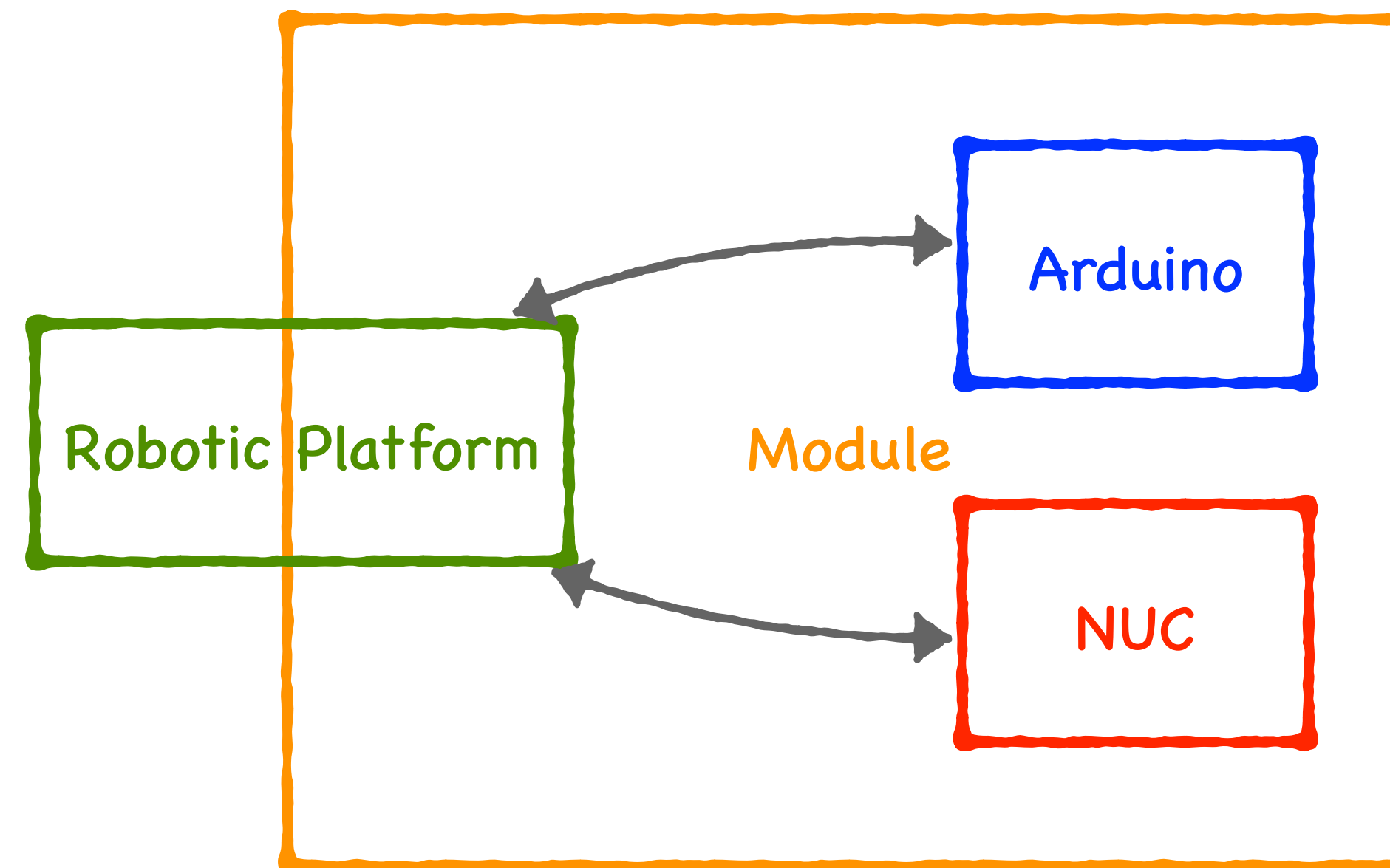
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High-level overview



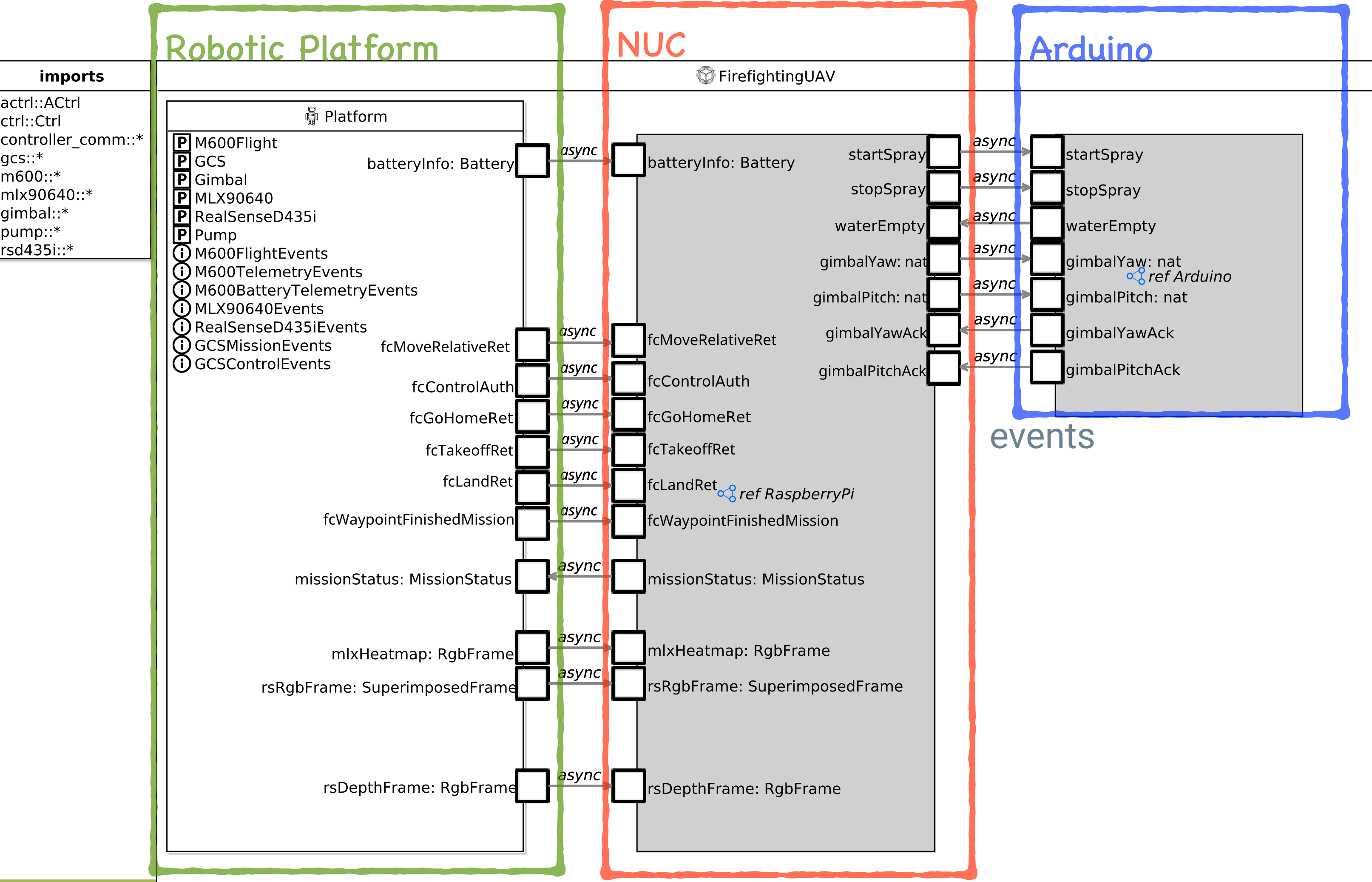
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High-level overview



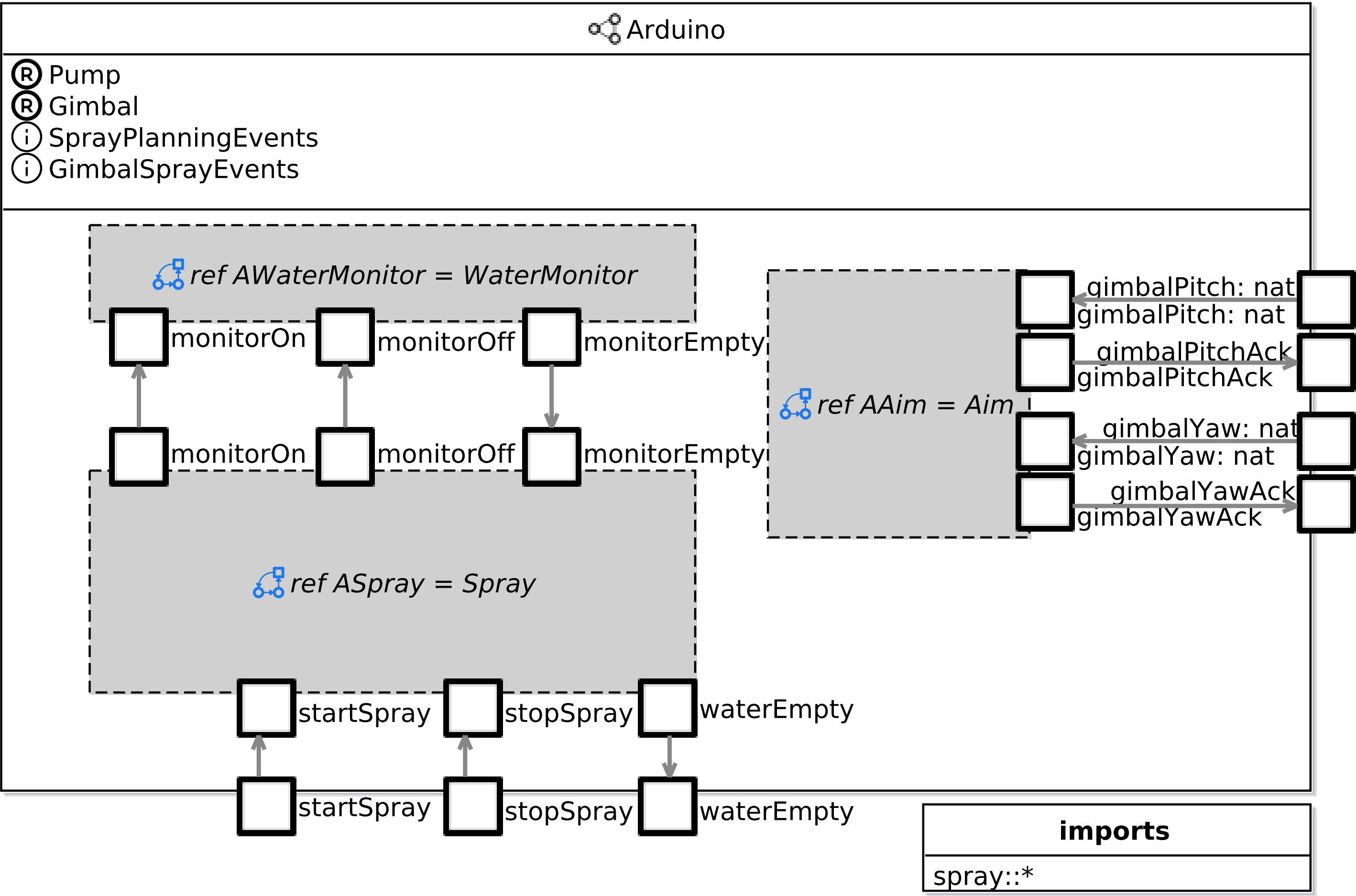
Module

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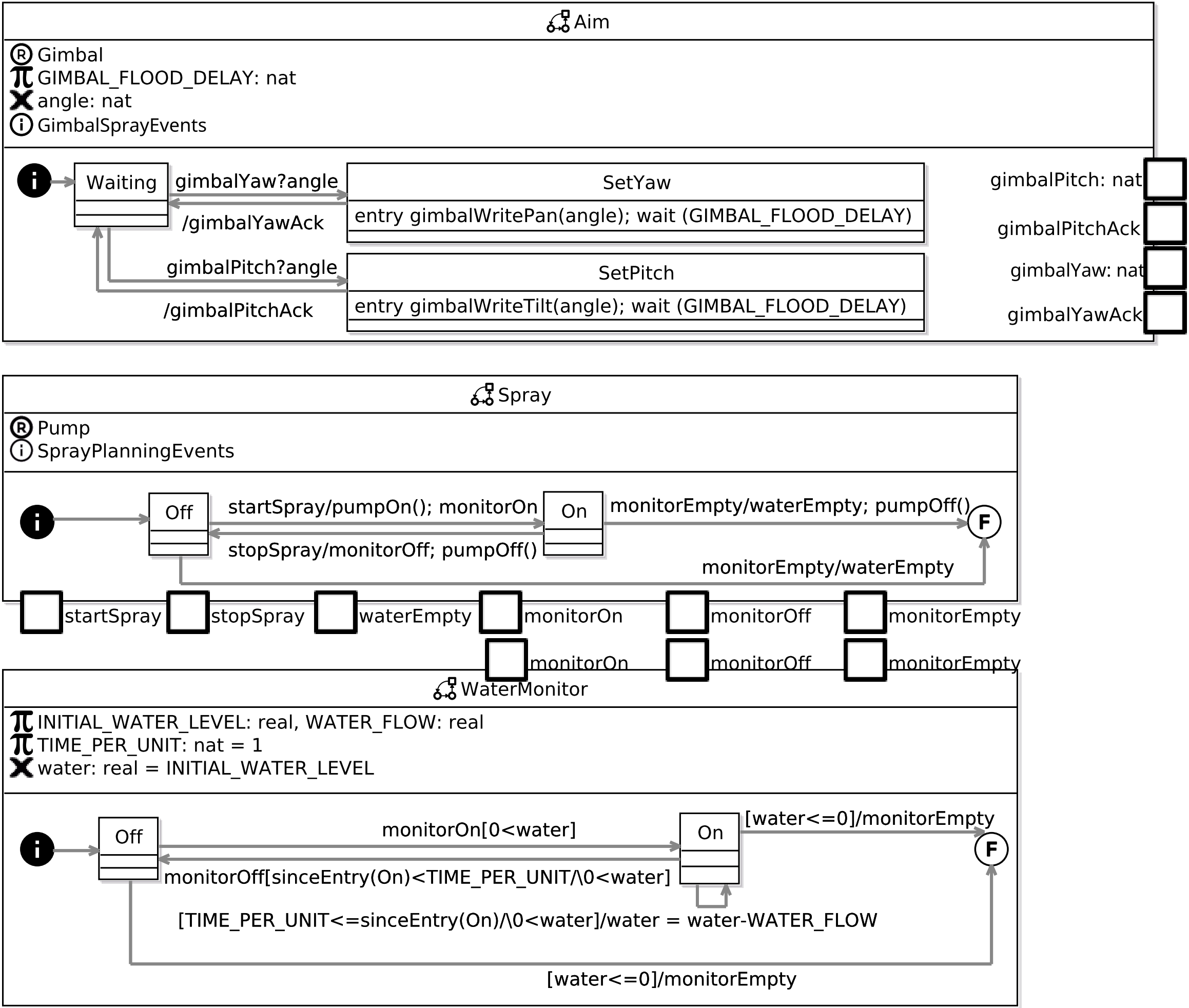
Controller: Arduino

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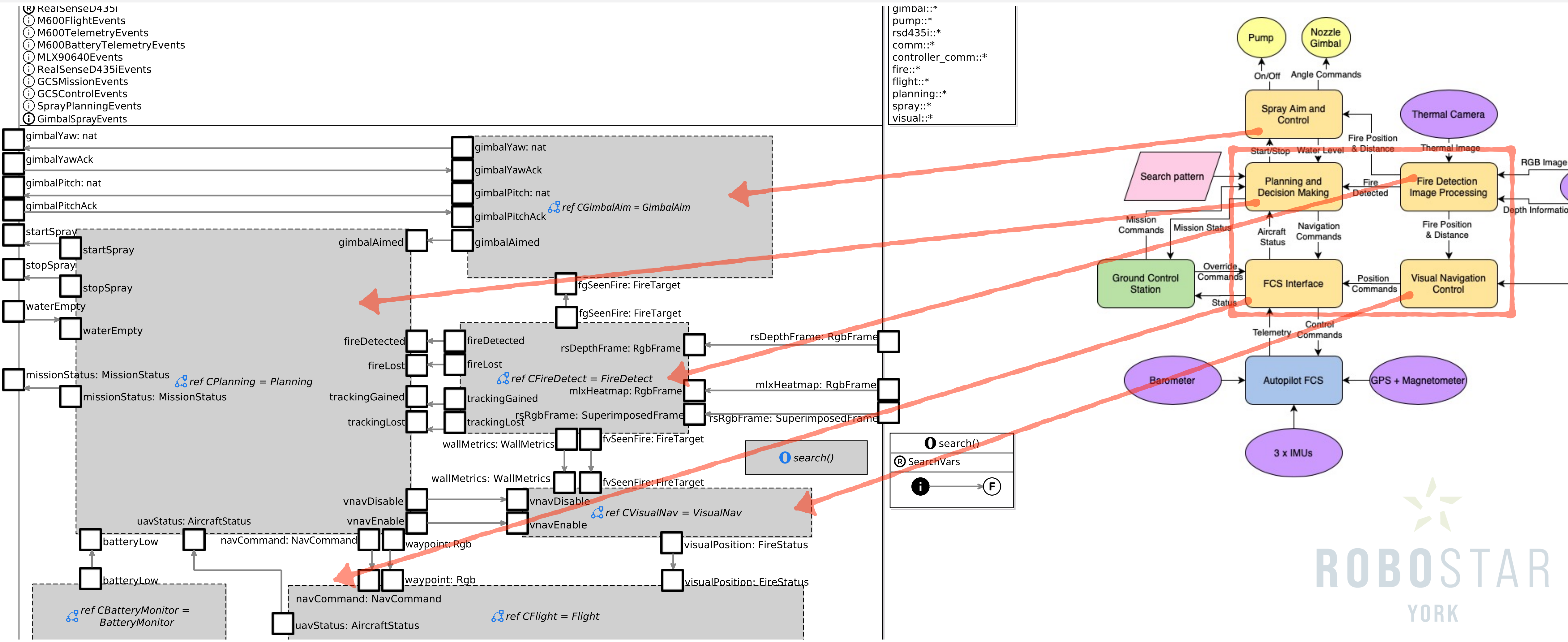
Arduino state machines

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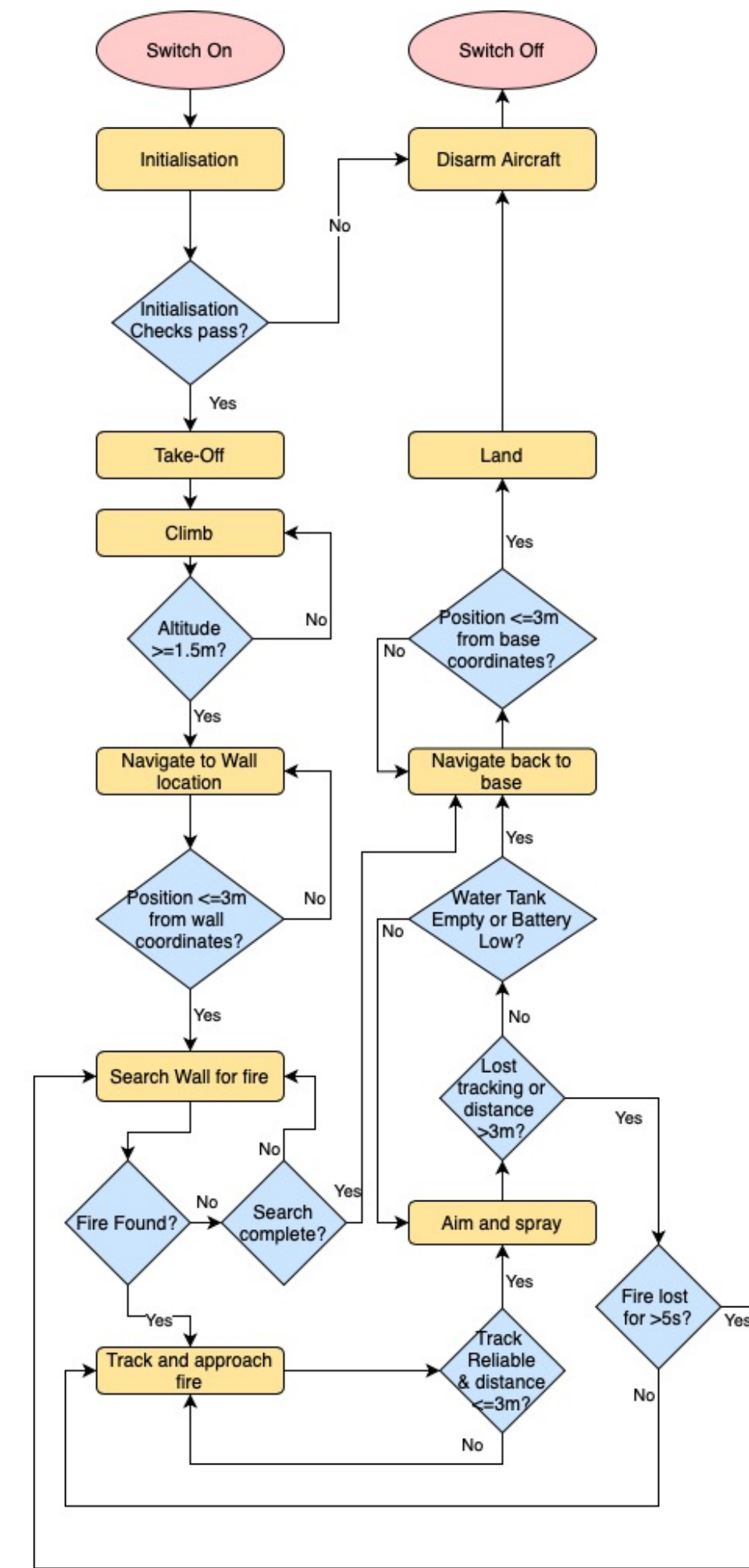
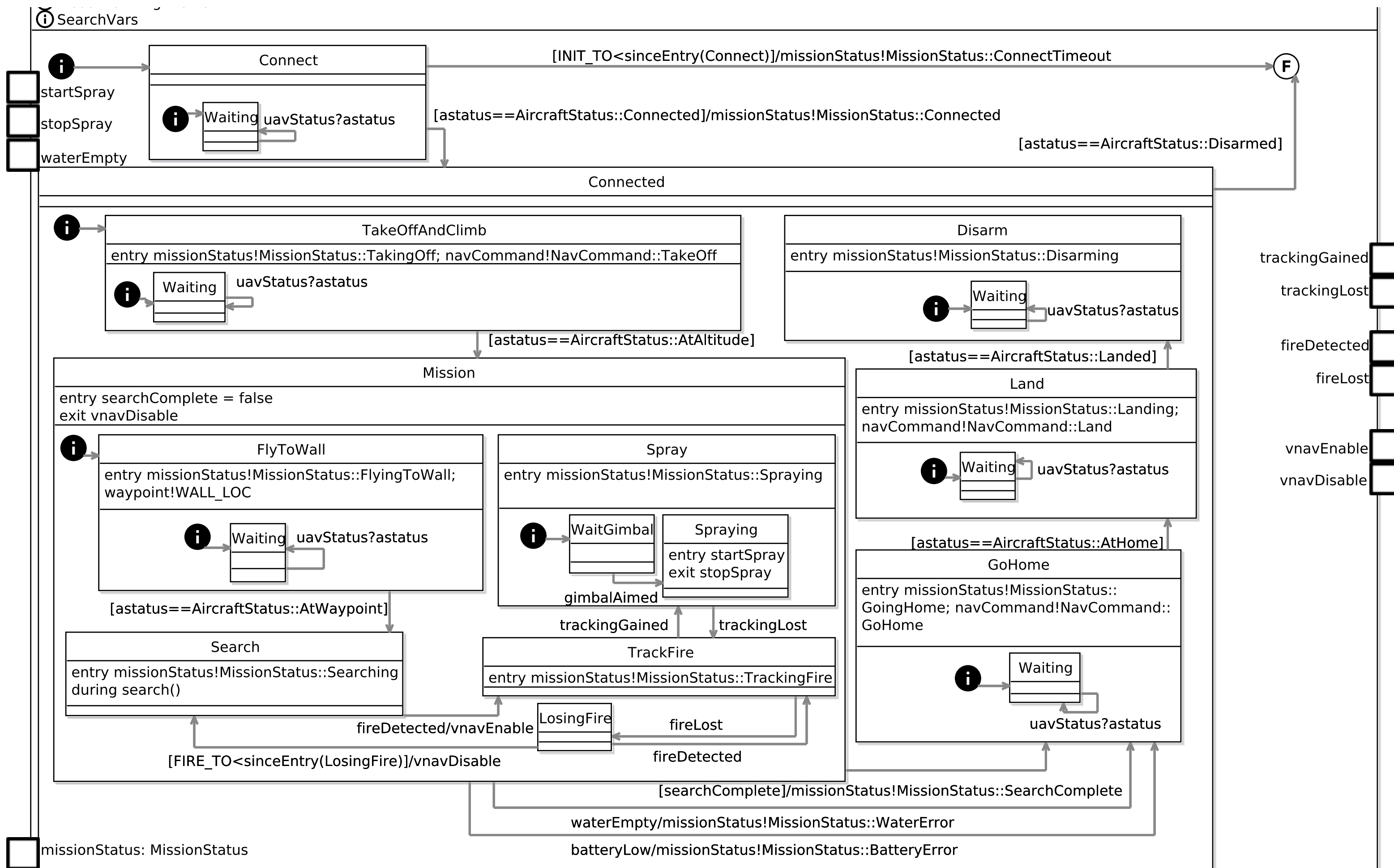
Controller: NUC

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State machine: Planning

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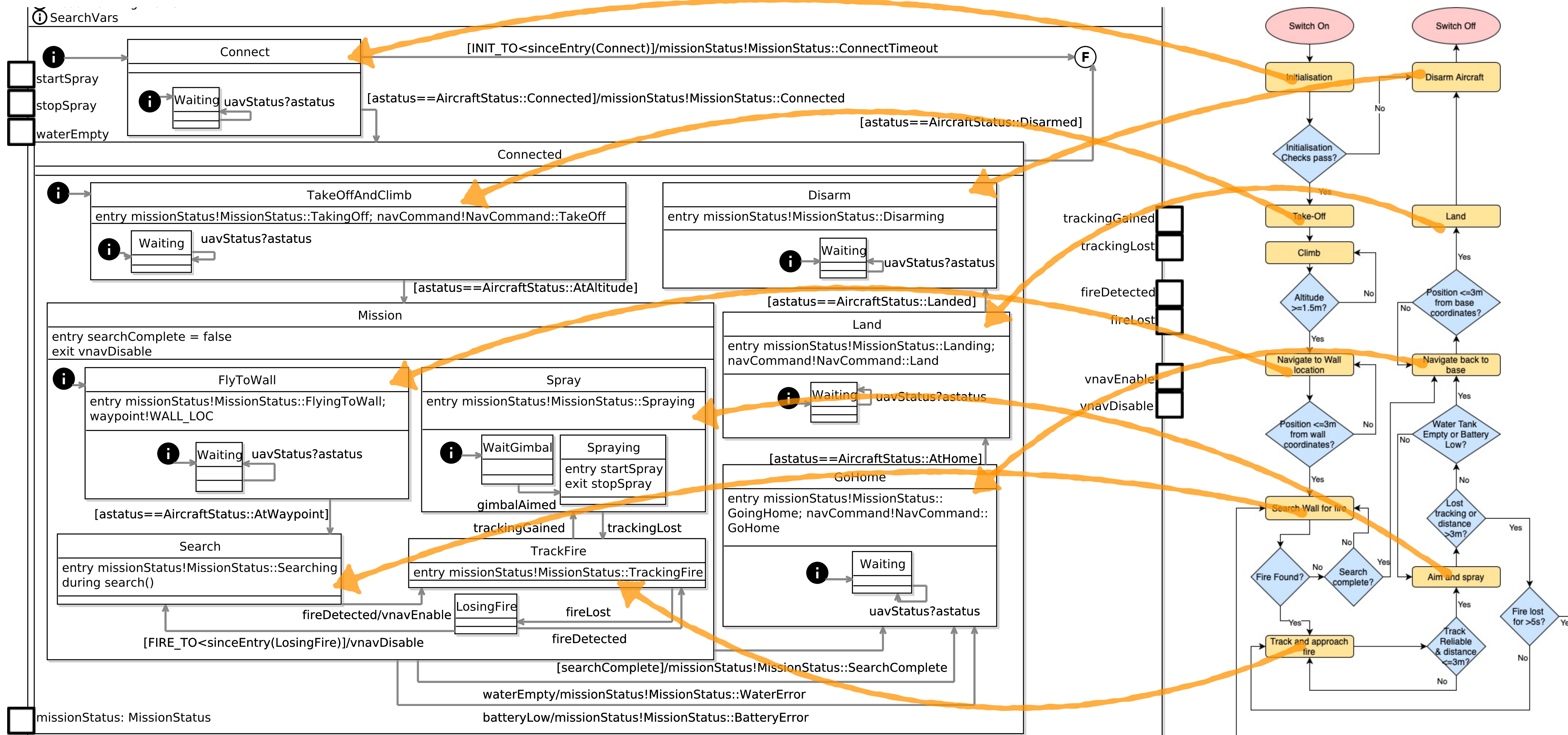


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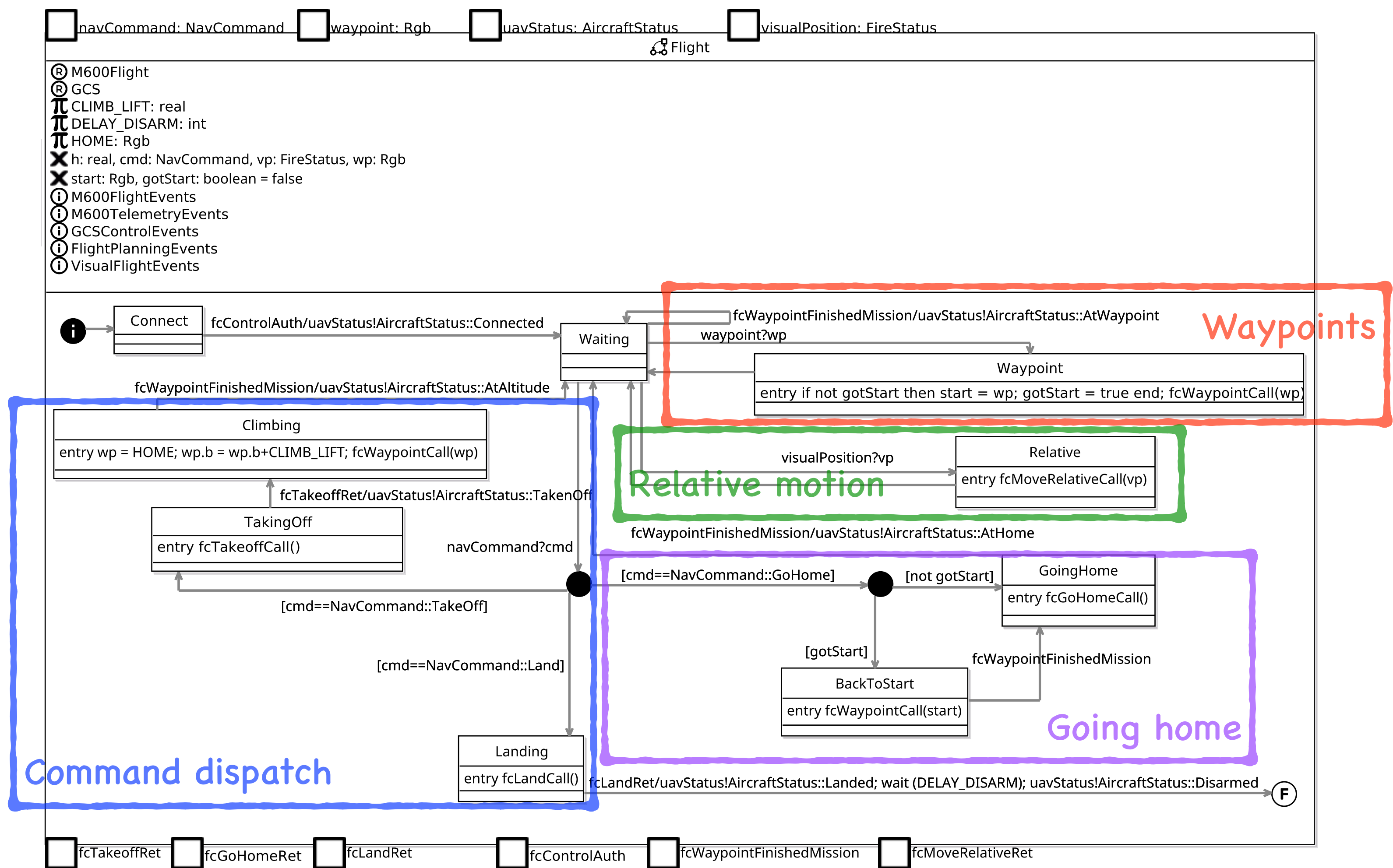
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use of composite states to capture interrupting behaviour



State machine: Flight control

RoboChart model



Conclusion

Not a toy example

- 2 controllers
- 9 state machines
- 7 hardware components interfaced

Model drafted but still work in progress

next: physical modelling >>