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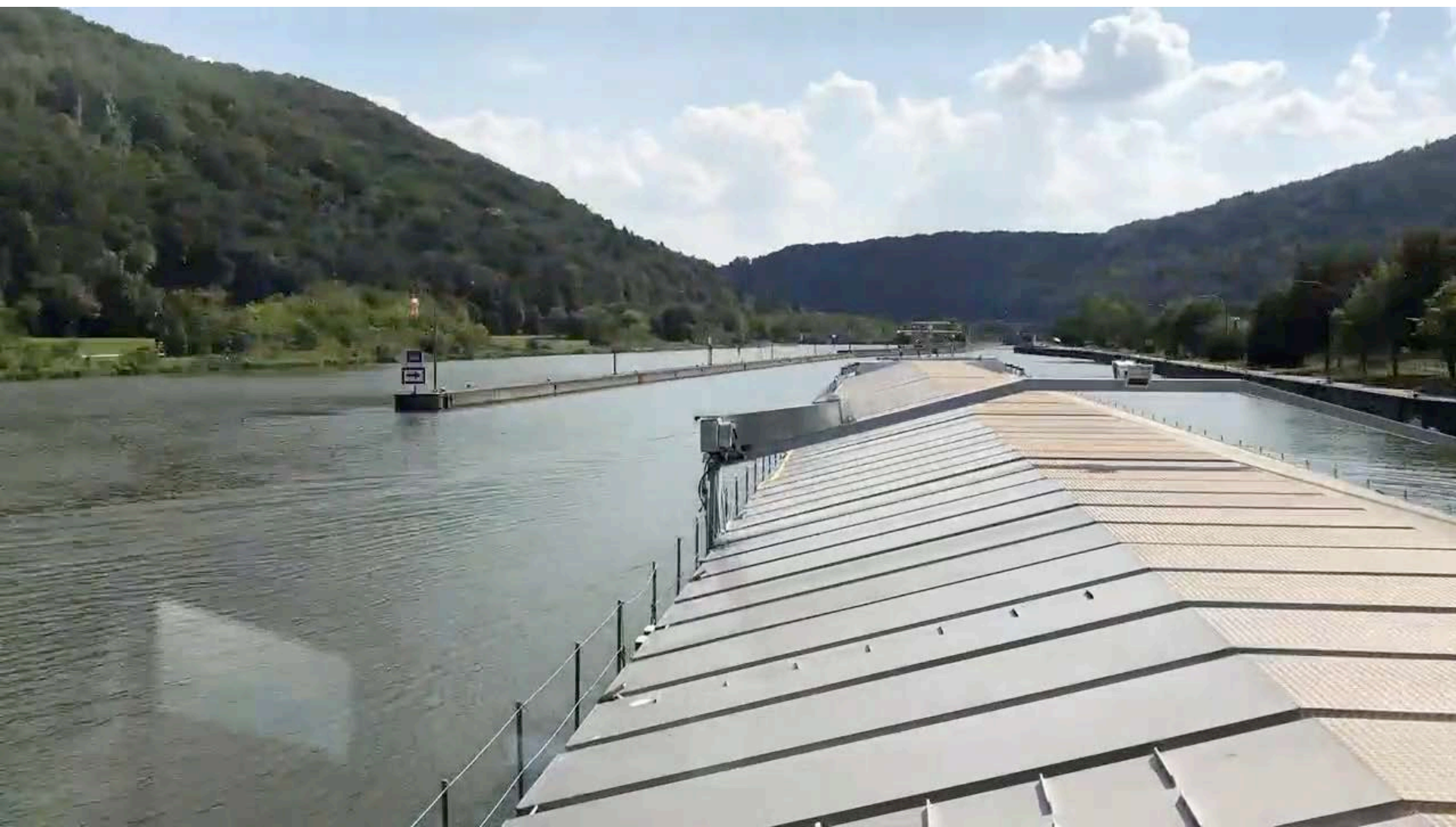
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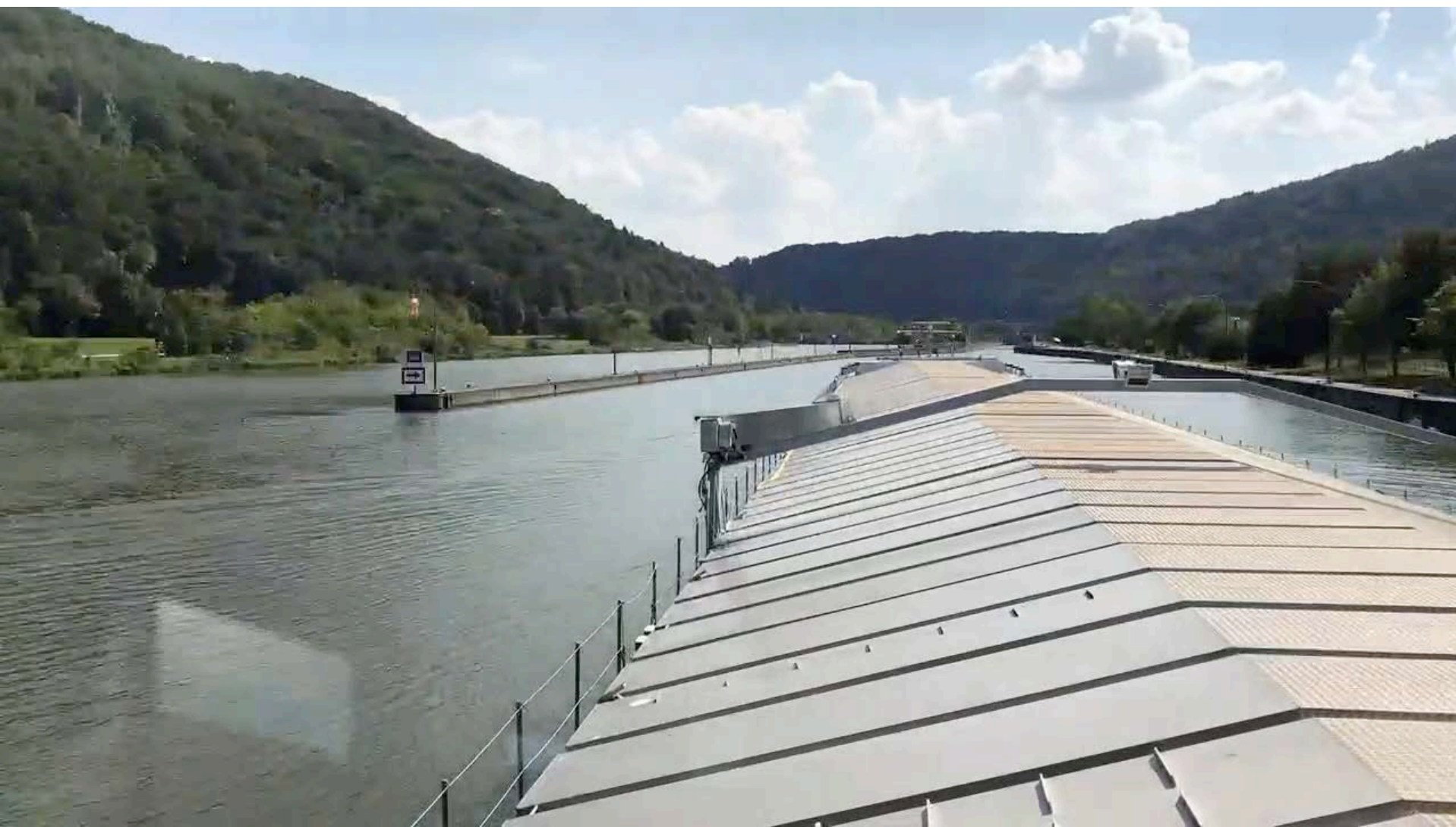
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NOVIMAR and SciPPPer – Results of two Projects regarding the Automation of Inland Navigation







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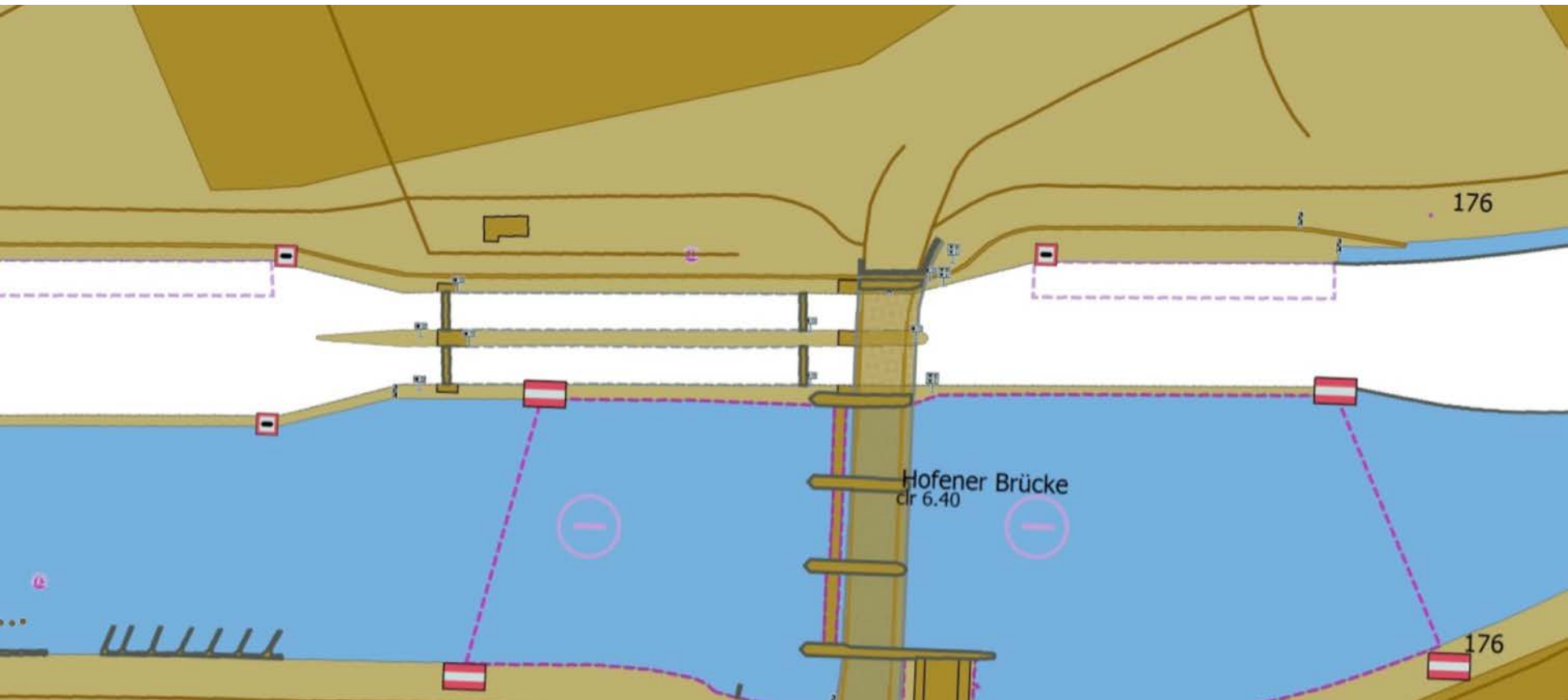
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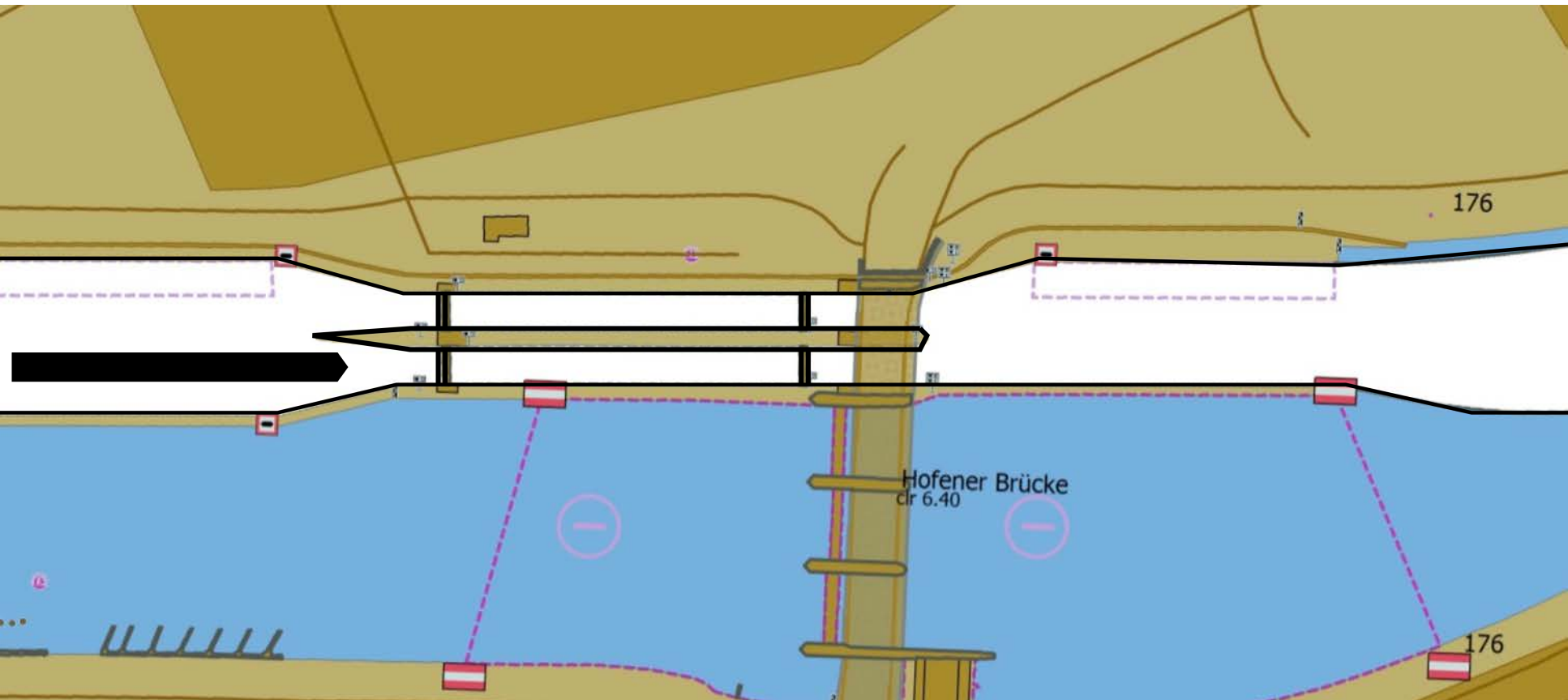


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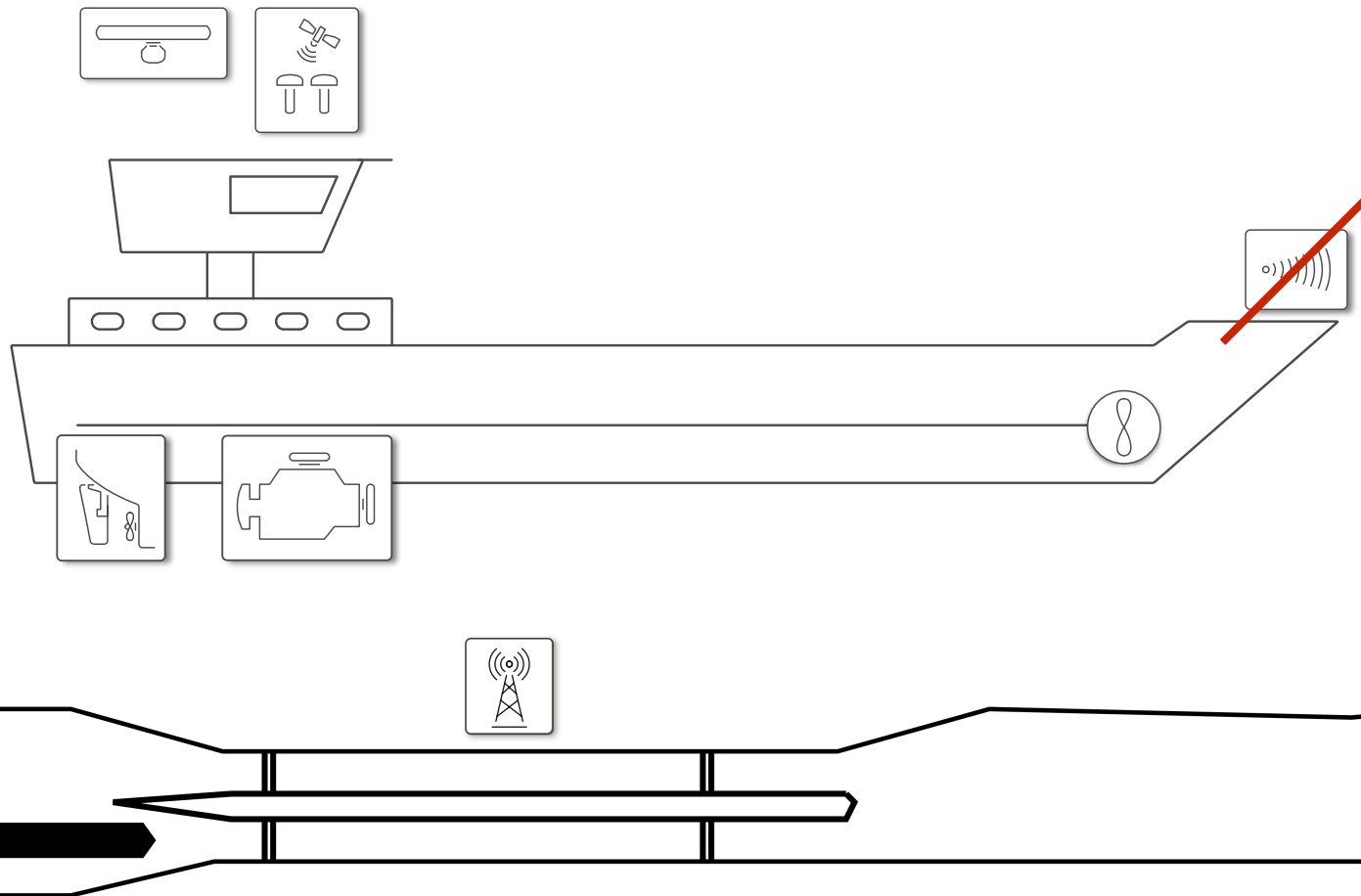
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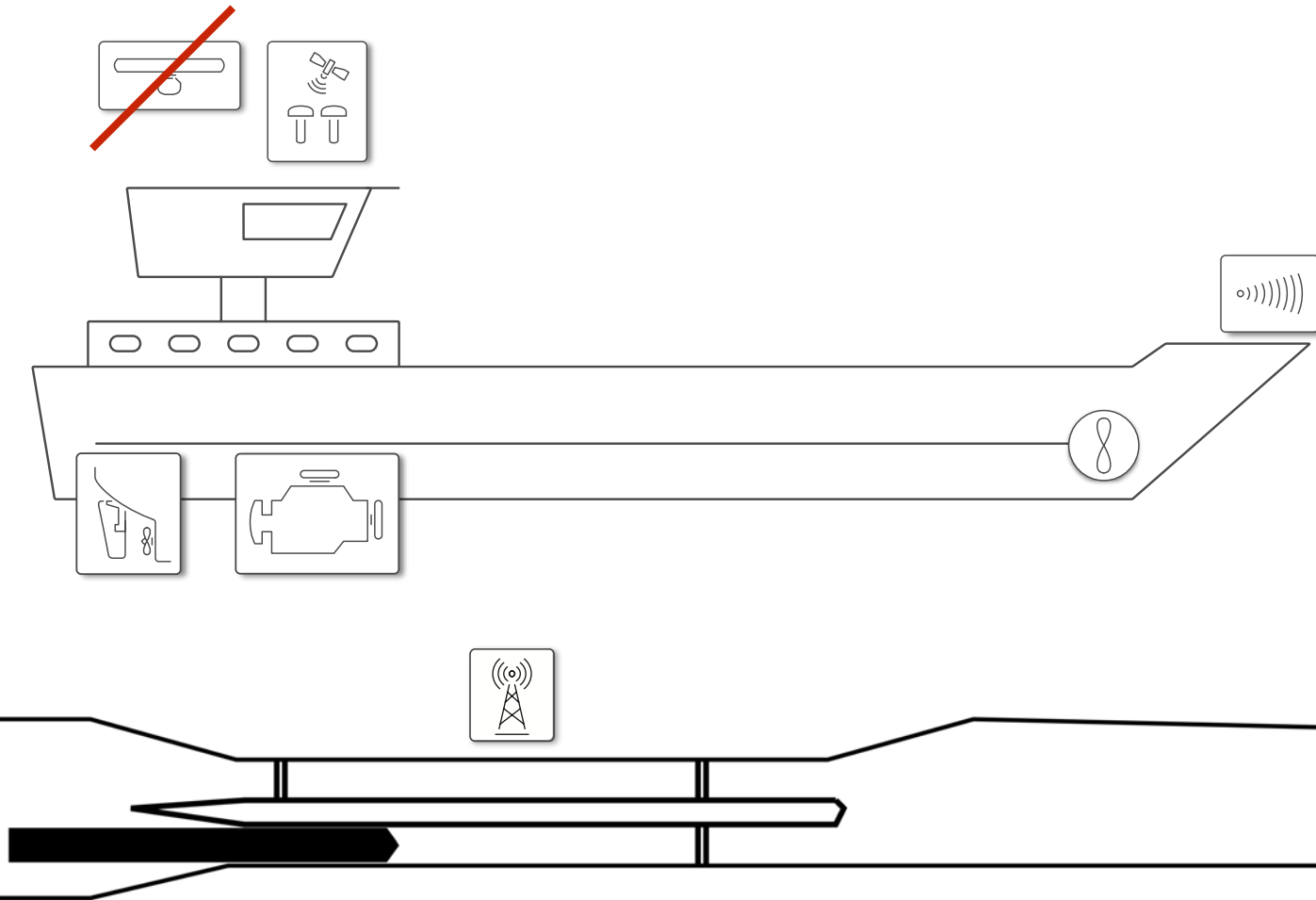
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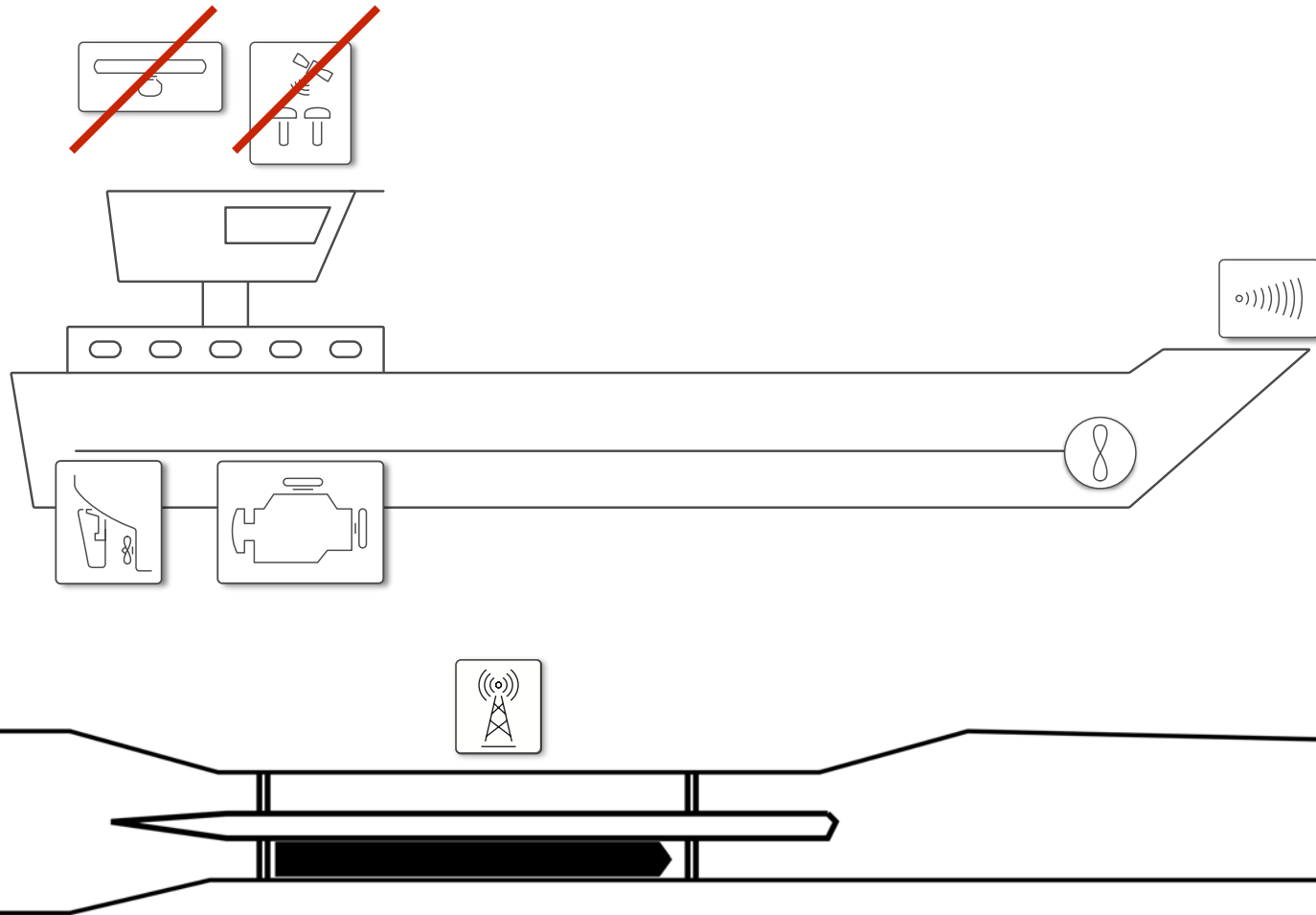
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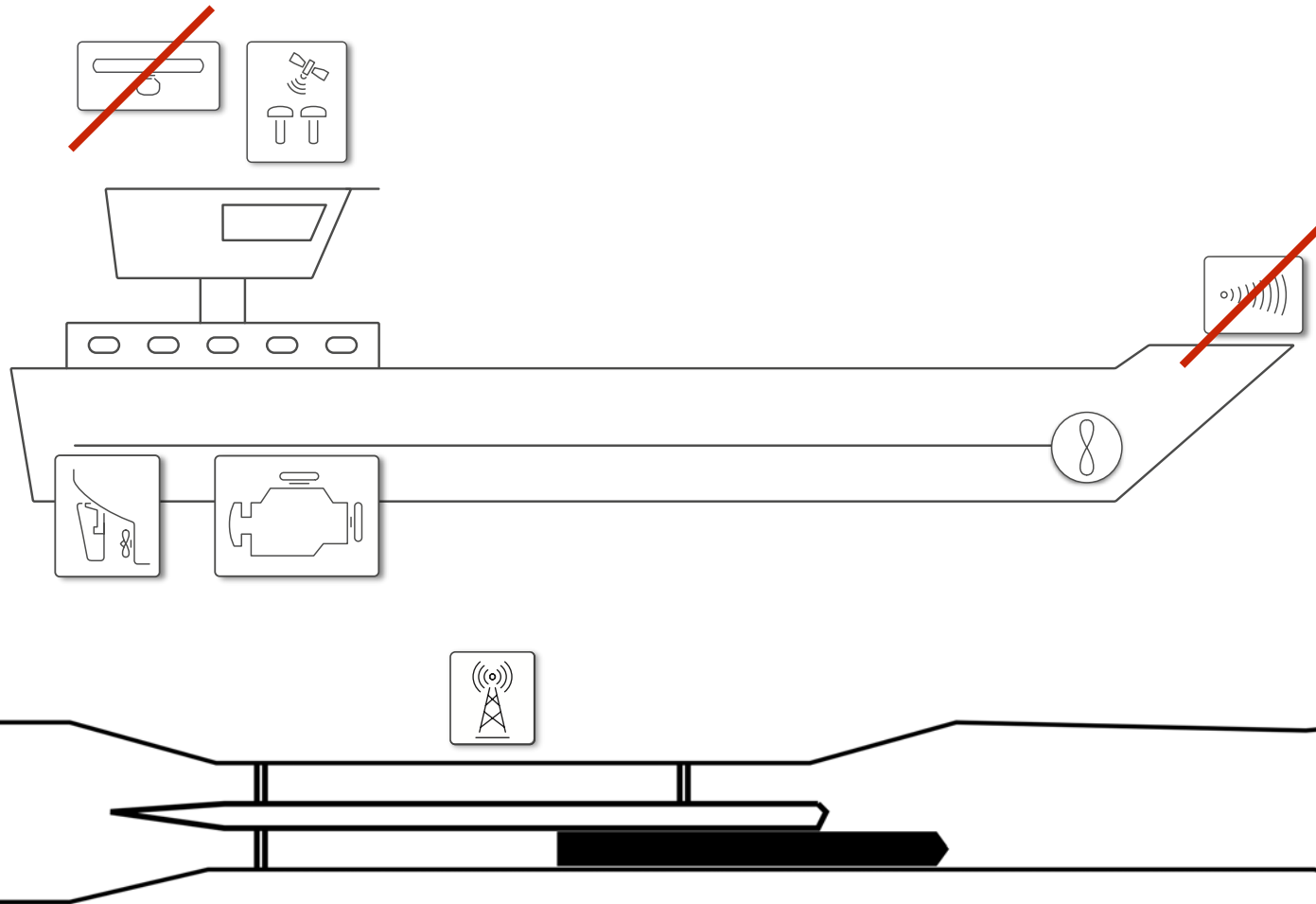
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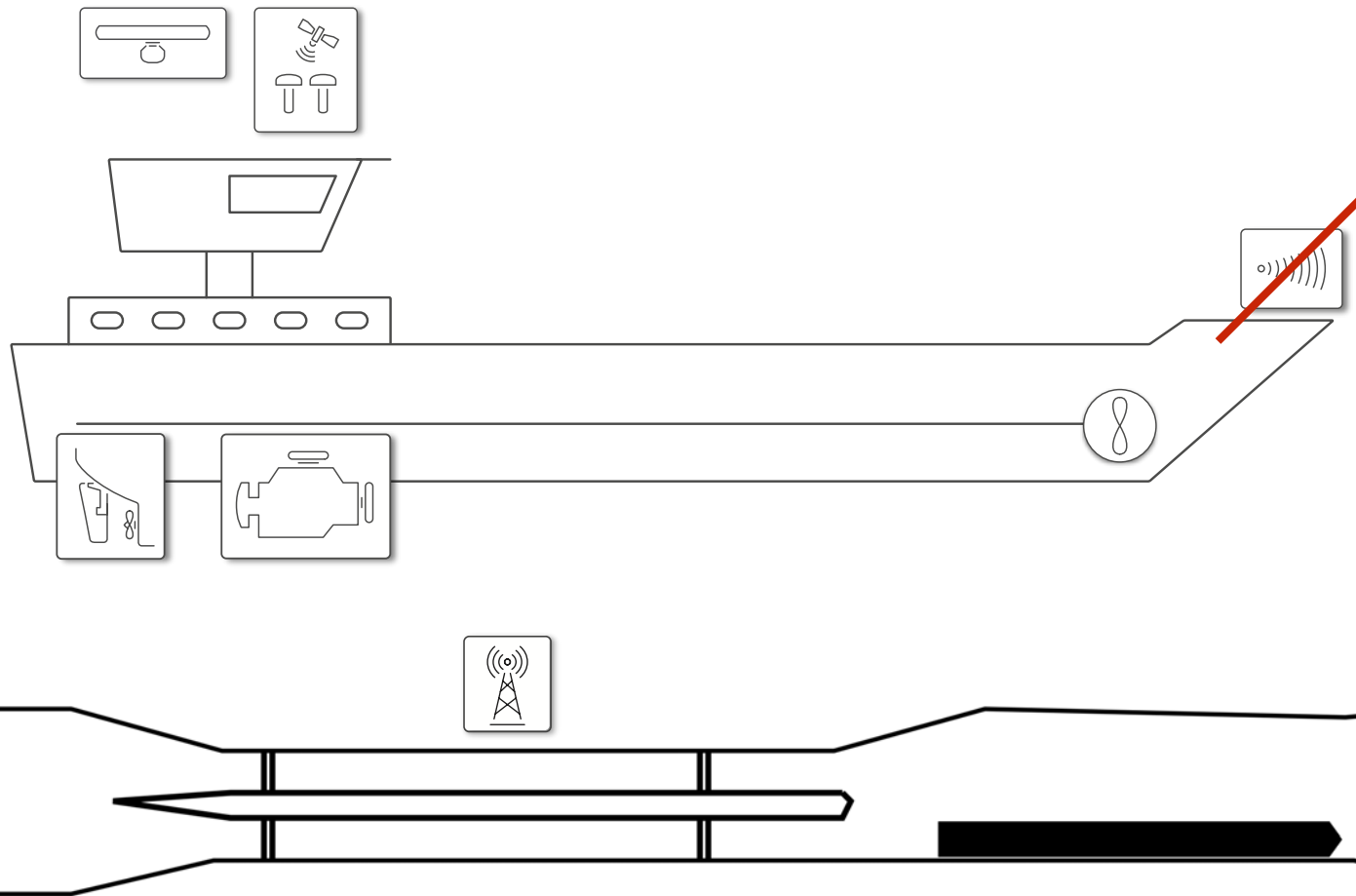
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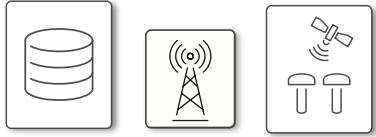


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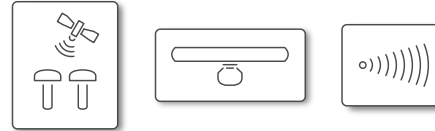
Land-based Technologies

- Lock information
- GNSS corrections
- AIS/VDES infrastructure
- Server infrastructure



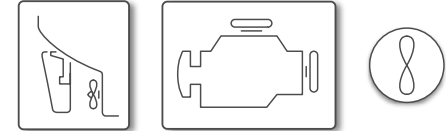
Communication

- VDE
- Transmission of PPP and lock data



Onboard Technologies

- High-precision GNSS position/heading from PPP data
- Close range sensors
 - Lidar
 - Radar



Maneuvering control/ Simulation

- Simulation model lock Koblenz
- Thrust allocation
- Path planning
- Maneuvering control



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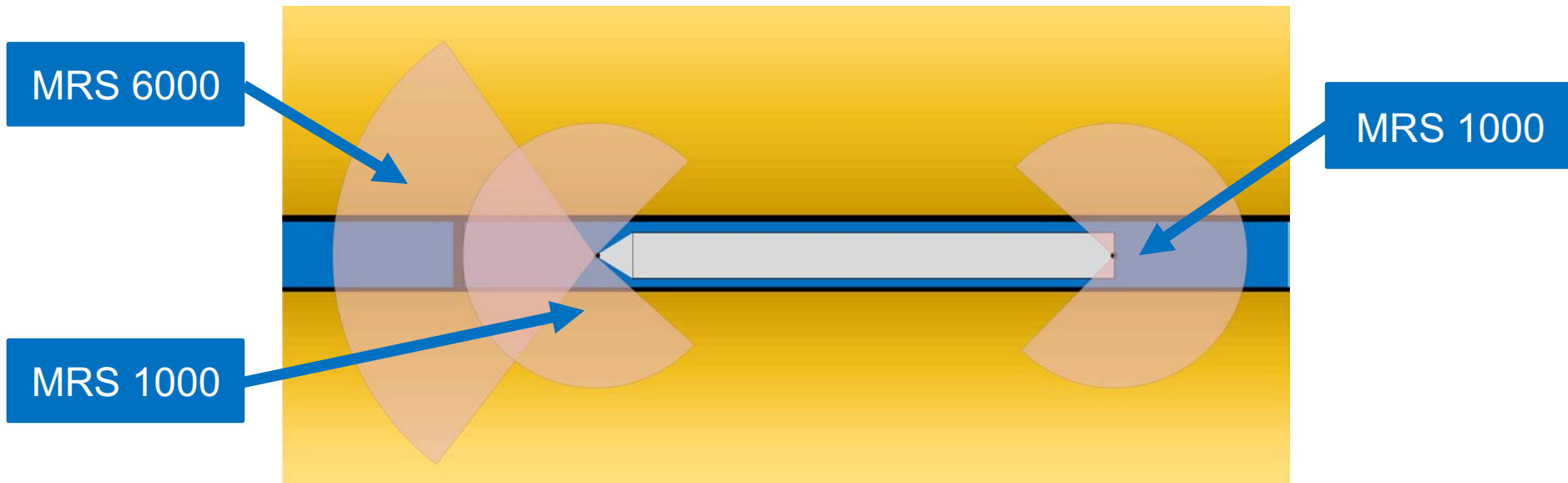
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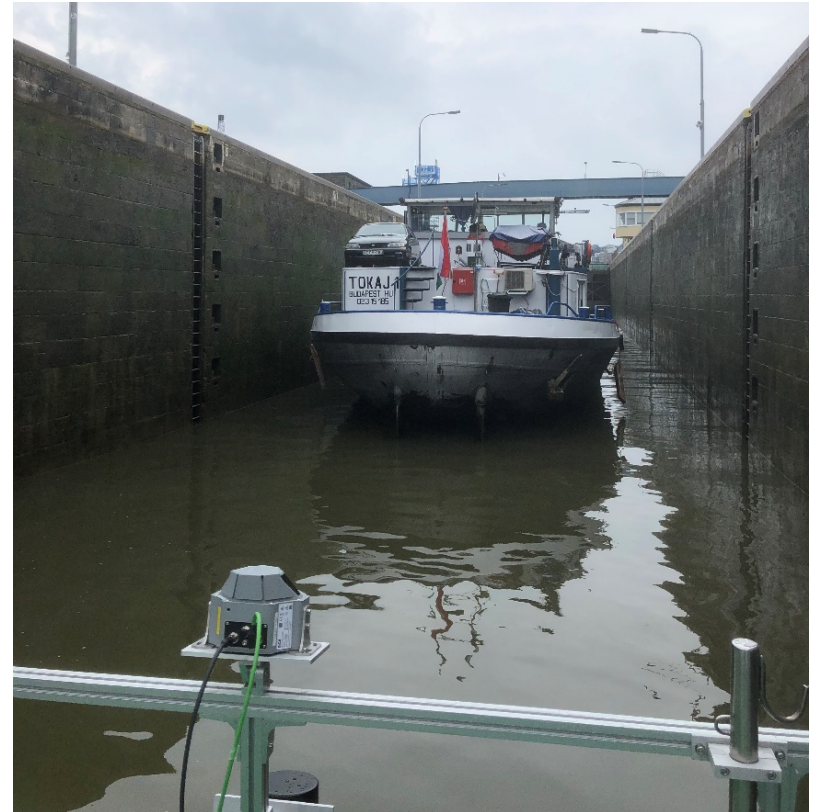
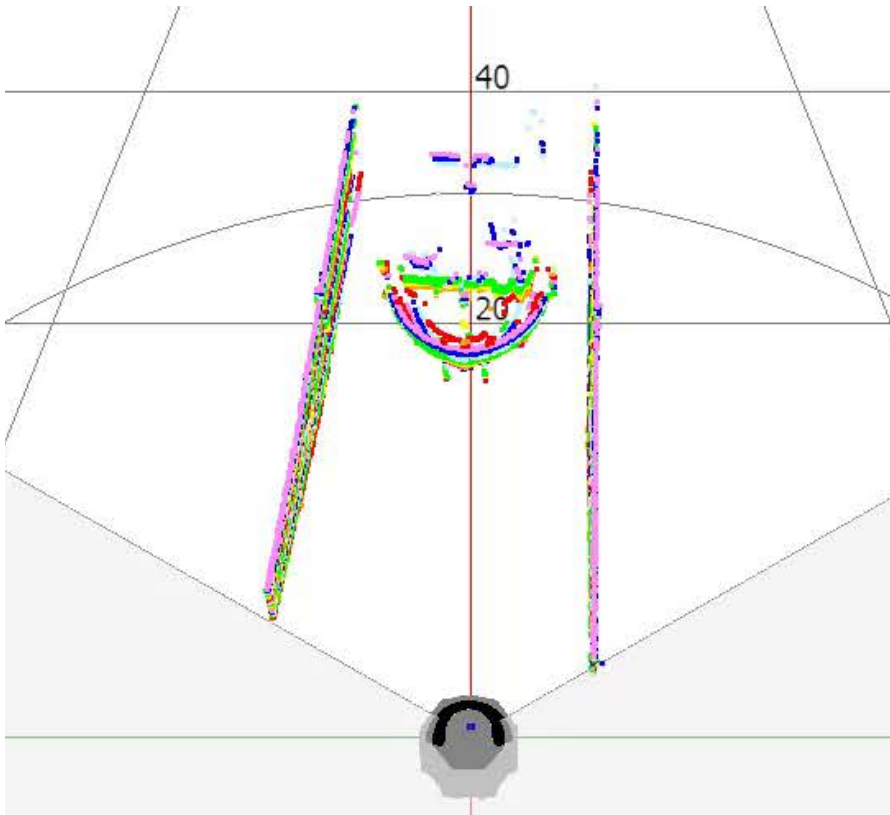


Close range sensors

MRS 6000

MRS 1000





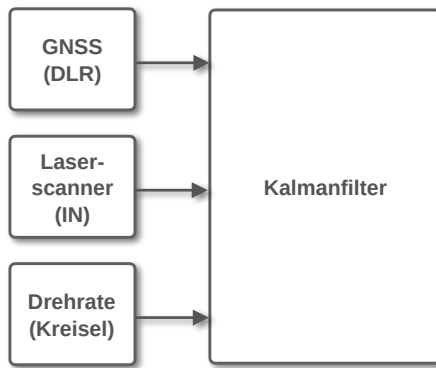
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GNSS
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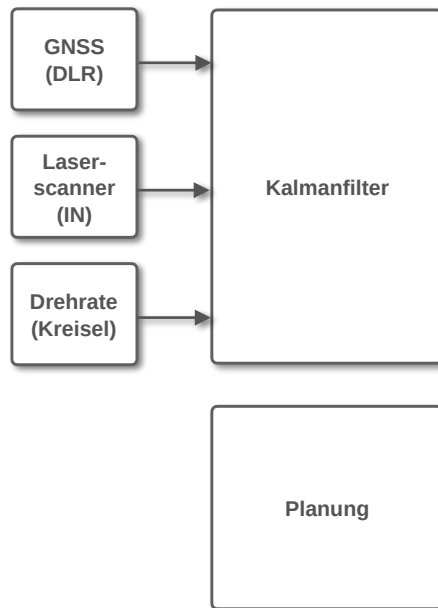
Laser-
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(Kreisel)

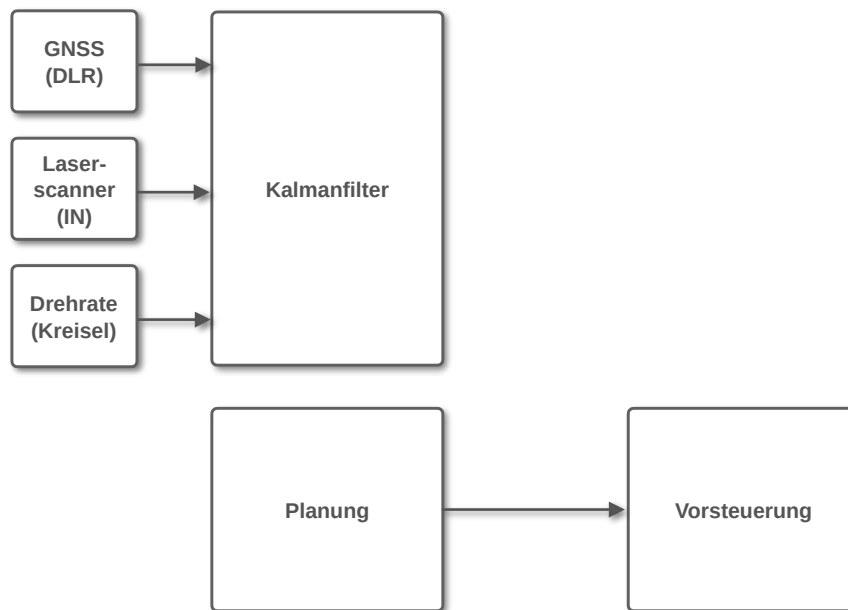
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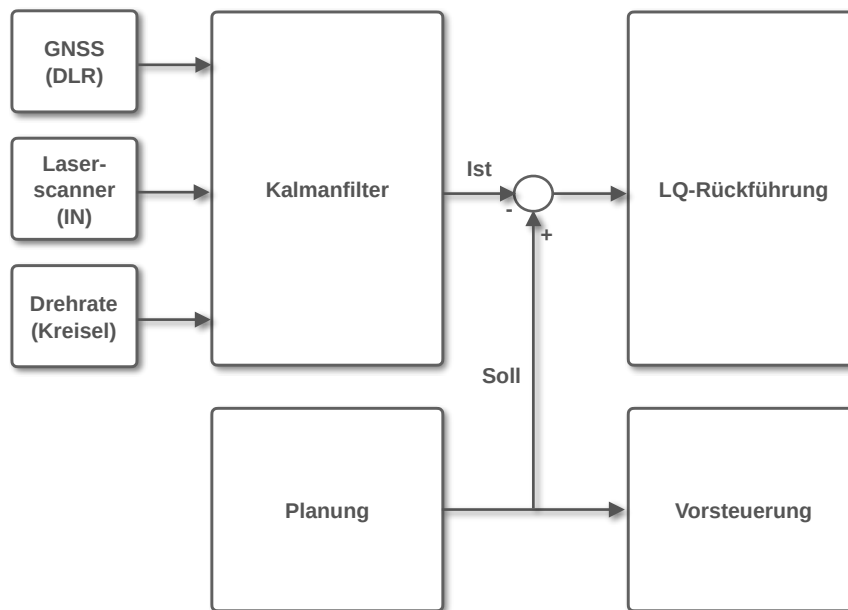
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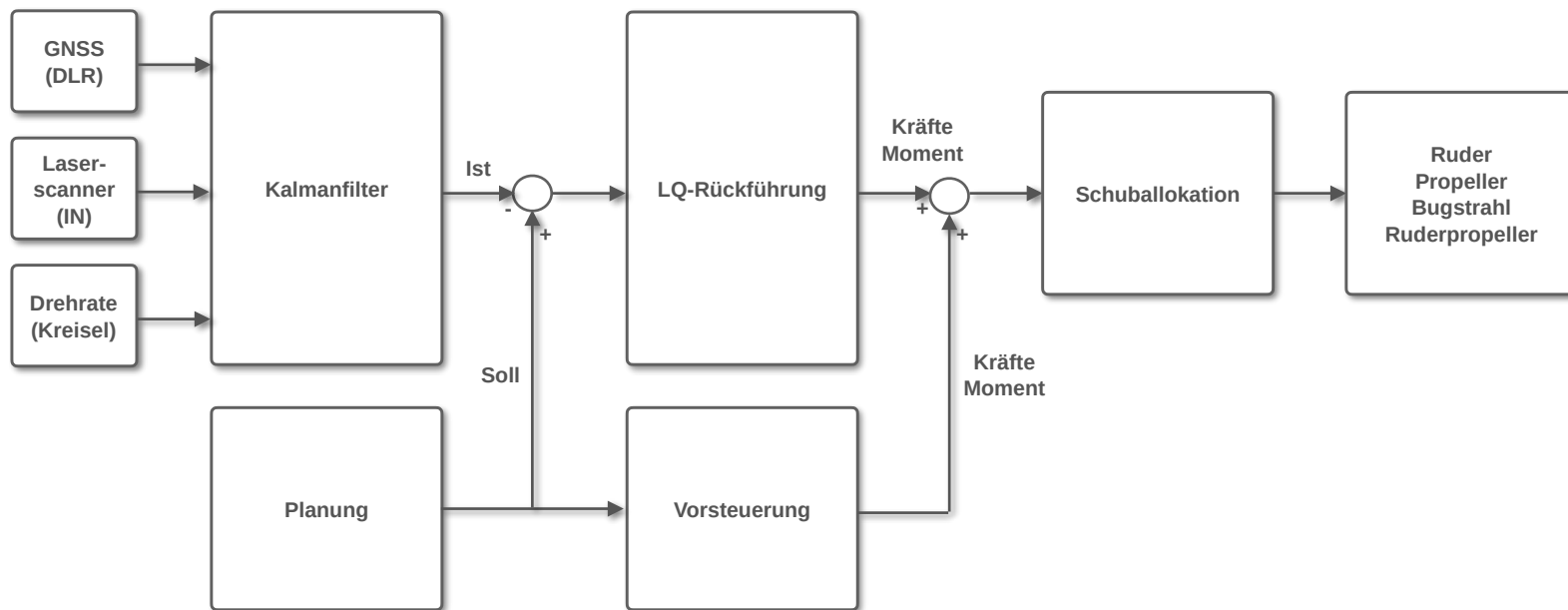
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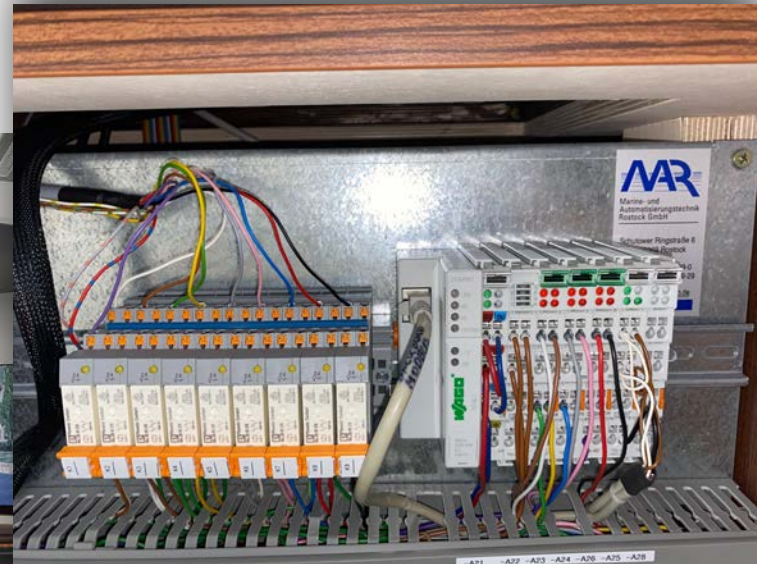
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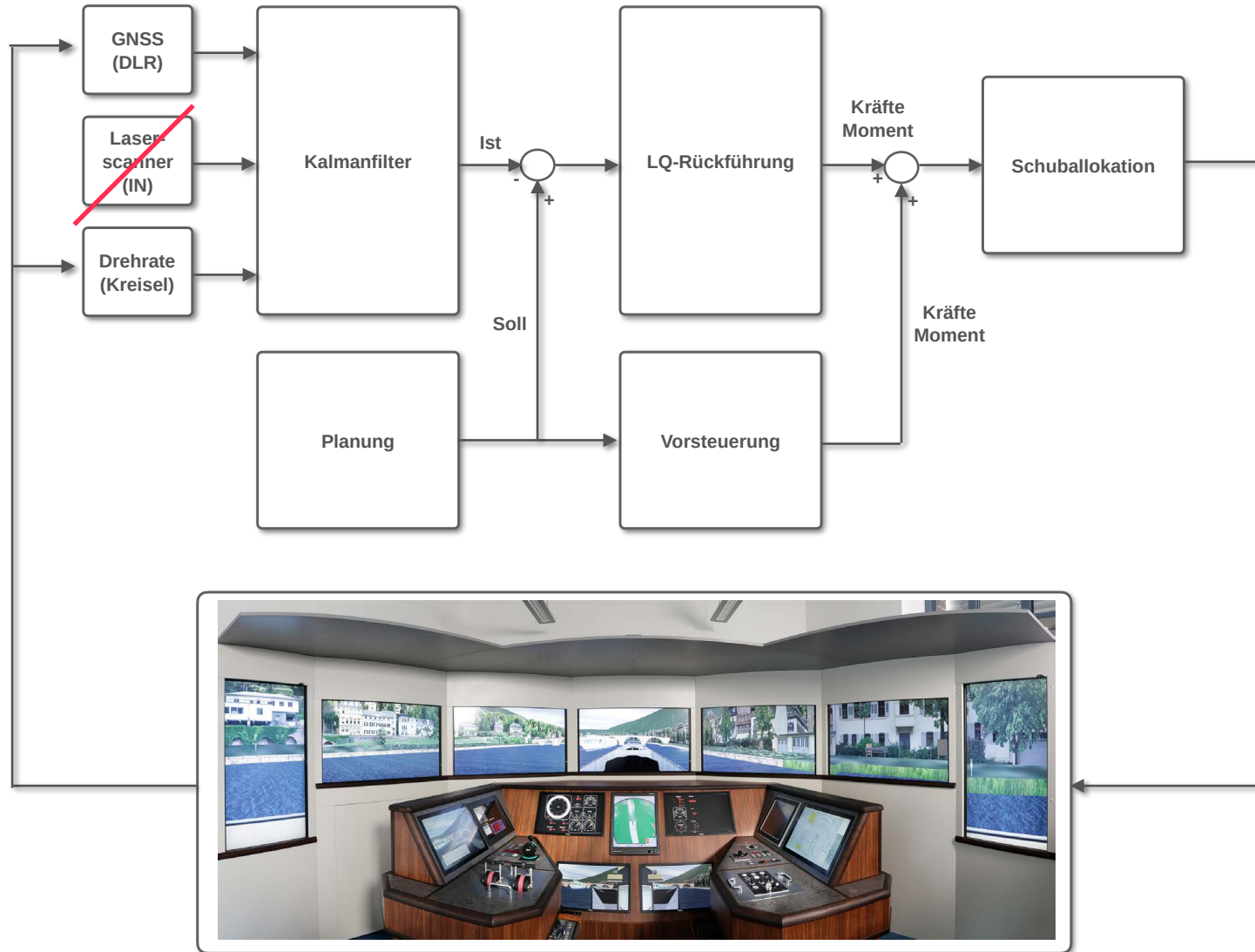


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Switching via relays







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