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Advances in AI Large Models for Unmanned Aerial Vehicles

Message from the Guest Editors

Integrating generative pre-trained transformers (GPTs) with unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) introduces a transformative model for intelligent low-altitude services, where autonomous drone networks play a pivotal role. This advancement is crucial for the emerging low-altitude economy, optimizing real-time decision-making, reducing latency, and enhancing operational efficiency in sectors such as logistics, surveillance, and disaster response. GPTs strengthen UAV operations by enabling sophisticated natural language processing, allowing UAVs to interpret commands, navigate complex environments, and interact dynamically with users. This combination creates a flexible platform capable of advanced data analysis, situational awareness, and autonomous functionalities, all essential for the future of low-altitude applications. This Special Issue will gather pioneering research on integrating GPTs and UAVs, aiming to explore their synergies and advance the development of intelligent, autonomous, and low-latency aerial services in next-generation networks.

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