

## Special Issue

# Visual Language Models and Large Language Models for Unmanned Aerial Vehicles

### Message from the Guest Editors

The rapid advancements in artificial intelligence, particularly in the domains of computer vision and natural language processing, have created new possibilities for enhancing the capabilities of UAVs. This Special Issue aims to explore the integration of Visual Language Models (VLMs) and Large Language Models (LLMs) into UAVs, focusing on their potential applications, challenges, and future directions. The Special Issue encourages submissions from researchers, engineers, and practitioners working at the intersection of computer vision, natural language processing, and UAV technologies. We hope to foster cross-disciplinary collaborations and accelerate the development of intelligent and autonomous UAV systems powered by Visual Language Models and Large Language Models to enhance the capabilities of drones in object detection, image captioning, and human-machine interaction etc.

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