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#### ABSTRACT

Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships (MASS) are being introduced with high levels of autonomy. This means that not only the role of the human operator is changing but also the way in which operations are performed. MASS are expected to be uncrewed platforms that are operated from a Remote Control Centre (RCC). As such, the concept of humanmachine teams is important. The operation of MASS however shares some resemblance to other uncrewed platforms (e.g. Uncrewed Aerial Vehicles; UAVs) and it may be that lessons could be learned in relation to the development of MASS systems. A systematic literature review has been conducted, focusing on decision making, to generate insights into operating uncrewed vehicle platforms and design recommendations for MASS. Seven themes were revealed: decision support systems, trust, transparency, teams, task/role allocation, accountability and situation awareness. A Network Model was developed to show the interconnections between these themes which was then applied to a case study of an UAV accident. The purpose of doing this was to demonstrate the utility of the model to real-world scenarios and showed how each theme applied within the human-machine team.

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This paper presents a systematic review of decision-making in human autonomous machine teams' literature, to provide insights into operator's decision-making when working with uncrewed vehicle platforms, such as Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships (MASS). A thematic analysis was then conducted of the literature, which revealed seven distinct themes: decision support systems, trust, transparency, teams, task/role allocation, accountability and situation awareness. From the literature design recommendations for uncrewed MASS have been suggested and a network model was developed using the seven themes. This network model was then applied to an Uncrewed Aerial Vehicle accident case study, which

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showed several considerations for human-machine teams operating from remote control centres such as, the design of alerts on human-machine interfaces and training operators for both normal and emergency scenarios.

# **1. Introduction**

The introduction of uncrewed Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships (MASS) is intended to lead to many benefits including extending operational capabilities (e.g. being able to access difficult and hard to reach areas) and removing operators from harm's way in dangerous environments (Ahvenjärvi 2016; Demir and McNeese 2015; Norris 2018). Outlined in the final summary of the Maritime Unmanned Navigation through Intelligence in Networks (MUNIN) project, a wide range of tasks such as adjusting the ship's route due to weather conditions or potential collisions and monitoring the engine to detect failures, could be carried out by automated systems on uncrewed MASS (European Commission 2016).

MASS using higher levels of automation are expected to be beneficial because they have the potential to reduce human workload, as some of the decision-making can be carried out autonomously (Norris 2018). This will allow the human role to be optimised as the human can focus on decision-making where it is most needed. This is because humans are better able to adapt and make decisions in abnormal situations (Mallam, Nazir, and Sharma 2020). However, automation can increase an operator's workload if it is not implemented correctly (Parasuraman 2000). There are many examples of this within the aviation industry (Parasuraman 2000). For example, in a fatal aviation accident at Boston's Logan airport in 1973, an aircraft struck the seawall bounding the runaway (Stanton and Marsden 1996). One of the contributing factors to the accident was found to be cognitive strain on the crew which was caused by their automated flight director system (Stanton and Marsden 1996). The crew's attention was on trying to interpret the information from the flight director rather than the plane's altitude, heading and airspeed which led to the accident (Stanton and Marsden 1996).

Automation has been defined as 'the execution by machine of a function previously carried about by a human' and it has been extended to functions that humans cannot perform as accurately and reliably as machines (Parasuraman and Riley 1997). This differs from autonomy which has been defined as 'the ability of an engineering system to make

Degree of Autonomy	Ship Control	Description
1	Ship with automated processes and decision support.	Seafarers are on board to operate and control shipboard systems and functions. Some operations may be automated and at times be unsupervised but with seafarers on board ready to take control.
2	Remotely controlled ship with seafarers on board.	The ship is controlled and operated from another location. Seafarers are available on board to take control and to operate the shipboard systems and functions.
3	Remotely controlled ship without seafarers on board.	The ship is controlled and operated from another location. There are no seafarers on board.
4	Fully autonomous ship.	The operating system of the ship is able to make decisions and determine actions by itself.

Table 1. Degrees of autonomy for MASS as established by the International Maritim	ie
Organisation (2021).	

its own decisions about its actions while performing different tasks, without the need for the involvement of an exogenous system or operator' (Albus and Antsaklis 1998; Vagia, Transeth, and Fjerdingen 2016). There are various taxonomies of levels of automation for a system, which describe the level of human involvement in the system operation (Endsley and Kaber 1999; Sheridan and Verplank 1978). In the context of MASS, the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) defined four degrees of autonomy (see Table 1) which describes the system's ability to make decisions and perform tasks without human involvement. With degree 1, a ship with seafarers on board where some operations are automated, up to degree 4 where there are no longer seafarers on board the ship and it can make decisions and execute operations by itself without human involvement (International Maritime Organisation 2021). The level of autonomy may not be fixed, ships may have systems which operate at different autonomy levels and may also have systems that use flexible levels of autonomy during operation (Maritime UK 2020). As the ships gain higher levels of autonomy due to more advanced technology becoming available, the role of the human operators changes from being an active role in the ship functions to a monitoring role either onboard the vessel or from a Remote Control Centre (RCC) (International Maritime Organisation 2021).

This paper focuses on the decision-making of operators working with uncrewed MASS, degree three of autonomy as defined by the IMO where the MASS is operated from a RCC either shore-side or on a host-ship (International Maritime Organisation 2021). Whilst the focus is on degree three of autonomy, the uncrewed MASS may be operated at different levels of automation from direct control to autonomous control, where the human operator is no longer involved (Maritime UK 2020). However for safety, it is likely that there will be a human operator monitoring the uncrewed MASS even at very high levels of automation and therefore unlikely the systems will be fully autonomous, so there is a backup should there be a problem or situation the automated system is unable to handle (Dybvik, Veitch, and Steinert 2020; Hoem et al. 2018; Ramos, Utne, and Mosleh 2019; Størkersen 2021).

However, it is anticipated that the operation of MASS will lead to some familiar Human Factors challenges as seen in other domains as the role of the human operator changes from an active to a more supervisory role (Mallam, Nazir, and Sharma 2020). Changing the role from a human in the loop (HITL), where the human operator inputs commands and makes decisions whilst the system carries out automated tasks (Mallam, Nazir, and Sharma 2020; Nahavandi 2017), to a human on the loop system (HOTL) whereby the human is monitoring an automated system may lead to potential problems due to humans being notoriously poor at monitoring tasks (Mallam, Nazir, and Sharma 2020; Nahavandi 2017; Parasuraman and Riley 1997). Poor monitoring of the automated systems may be due to an operator's overreliance in the system which can cause decision errors, leading to incidents and accidents (Parasuraman and Riley 1997). Active monitoring of ship performance, weather conditions, engine performance and ship communication have been suggested as areas for MASS to keep human operators 'in the loop', so problems can be identified early (Porathe, Fjortoft, and Bratbergsengen 2020). However, if a ship has no issues and is in open water for long periods, there is a risk that the human monitoring will become bored and a passive monitor (Porathe, Fjortoft, and Bratbergsengen 2020). This is a problem as they will become 'outof-the-loop' and require time to get back in the loop, which could be crucial in an emergency (Porathe, Fjortoft, and Bratbergsengen 2020).

Despite automation has been heralded as a technology that can help overcome human error, such as errors induced by fatigue, limited attention span and information overload (Ahvenjärvi 2016; Hoem 2020). These 'human errors' are not necessarily the cause of the incidents or accidents but are due to design, planning and procedure flaws in the system that result in these system errors (Hoem 2020). Replacing the human with automation does not remove these errors completely, it just changes the nature of them and changes where these errors occur as there will still be a human involved in the system (Ahvenjärvi 2016; Hoem 2020). This has been seen in a study of collisions between attendant vessels and offshore facilities in the North Sea, contributing factors to these collisions were the inadequate design of interfaces, communication failure and lack of sufficient training for the automation (Sandhåland, Oltedal, and Eid 2015). These accidents show the importance of considering the design of decision support systems to minimise the likelihood of these system errors occurring.

#### 1.1. Challenges in MASS operation

Human Factors challenges have been found in other remote monitoring domains such as aviation and it has been suggested that similar challenges may be seen in MASS operation. An example of one of these challenges in the aviation domain, that operators had a general lack of feel for the aircraft, due to the missing proprioceptive cues as the pilots can no longer feel shifts in altitude and changes in engine vibrations, which can be an issue when diagnosing system faults as it leads to a loss of situational awareness (Wahlström et al. 2015). Similarly, it has been suggested that a lack of 'ship sense' (the knowledge that is gained by using the navigator's senses e.g. the feeling of the ship's movement and the visibility from the outside environment) due to MASS operators no longer being on board will also be a challenge for operating MASS safely (Porathe, Prison, and Man 2014; Yoshida et al. 2020). It was also found that operators using uncrewed aircraft systems have increased levels of boredom due to the increased monitoring tasks, as well as problems during handovers leading to accidents (Wahlström et al. 2015) Handover issues during emergencies are also a problem seen in highly automated vehicles, as drivers become 'out-of-the-loop' when they are no longer actively involved in the driving task (Large et al. 2019). Humans may not always be aware of an automated system's limitations and therefore will not know when to take back control from the system, as well as having potentially a short window to take back control (Norman 1990; Stanton, Young, and McCaulder 1997).

Such challenges may also be present in MASS operations of the future. For instance, one approach for MASS is to follow a pre-programmed route. If the ship goes outside of a safety margin on either side of this route, then an operator at a RCC may have to take over or monitor the autonomous system as it selects a new path to navigate (Porathe, Fjortoft, and Bratbergsengen 2020). Operators may also need to monitor the ship's systems to check for any faults and assess the severity of any faults found, then make decisions about whether the ship may need to divert off route for repairs (Man, Lundh, and Porathe 2016). It has also been suggested that decision-making will be more difficult in a RCC as it will potentially take longer for decisions to be made as operators get back into the loop (Porathe, Prison, and Man 2014) as they will need to quickly understand and assess the situation, which may be difficult due to the lack of proximity between the operator and the uncrewed ship (Endsley and Kiris 1995; Onnasch et al. 2014; Porathe, Prison, and Man 2014). It has already

been identified that decision-making for all the different functions of a RCC such as, monitoring ship health and status, monitoring and updating the ship's route is an important requirement in the RCC (Man, Lundh, and Porathe 2016; Porathe, Prison, and Man 2014). This further shows the importance of considering the human-machine team (HMT) decision-making processes in the design of MASS decision support systems (Man, Lundh, and Porathe 2016; Porathe, Prison, and Man 2014).

There is also a potential issue of having an operator monitor more than one uncrewed vehicle as current systems and human-machine interfaces are already struggling to support the monitoring of a single-vehicle (Cook and Smallman 2013). Similarly, Wahlström et al. (2015) agrees that there is a potential to overload an operator with the task of monitoring more than one vessel, due to the large number of sensors that would be gathering information on an autonomous ship. It is suggested that due to the operator not being onboard, more information about the ship will have to be given to the operator, which could also contribute to the operator being overloaded (Wahlström et al. 2015). It has been suggested that the cognitive demand is expected to be higher for RCCs, so it may be an important consideration in their design (Dreyer and Oltedal 2019). Another factor that may affect the workload of the remote operator is the usability of the automated control systems (Karvonen and Martio 2019). If the usability of the system is poor then operators may become 'out-the-loop' and may miss important safety information (Karvonen and Martio 2019).

This paper aims to explore and identify some of the key themes that may go on to influence the decision-making process within a HMT for the operation of uncrewed MASS, especially as MASS are designed with higher levels of automation. The aim of the paper is also to generate design recommendations for MASS. A systematic review of relevant literature on decision-making in HMT was conducted to show what factors may need to be considered when designing uncrewed MASS systems to support decision-making between the human operators and the MASS automated systems that make up the HMT. A network model for decision-making in HMT was created to highlight the interconnections between these themes. The network model was then used to explore a HMT case study of an accident involving an Uncrewed Aerial Vehicle (UAV) as a comparison for MASS operation. A UAV case study has been selected as the operation of UAVs shares similarities with the operation of MASS and because MASS are a less established technology so there are not yet any MASS accident case studies that the authors are aware of. For example, the similarities in their operation are:

- Both UAVs and MASS are operated from RCCs (Ahvenjärvi 2016; Gregorio et al. 2021; Man, Lundh, et al. 2018; Skjervold 2018)
- There is a lack of proximity between the operator and uncrewed vehicle (Gregorio et al. 2021; Hobbs and Lyall 2016; Karvonen and Martio 2019; Pietrzykowski, Pietrzykowski, and Hajduk 2019)
- The maritime and aviation domains are both safety-critical (Boll et al. 2020; de Vries 2017; Plant and Stanton 2014)
- The operators' roles are changing to a supervisor monitoring highly automated systems (Man, Lundh, et al. 2018; Skjervold 2018)
- Higher levels of automation are being used so that less operators are needed and operators can operator multiple uncrewed vehicles (Mackinnon et al. 2015; Skjervold 2018).

Due to the similarities in their operation, it is likely that similar issues will be seen in both domains. For example, operators may transition to a supervisory role which can lead to them becoming out of the loop and no longer being aware of what the automated system is doing (Goodrich and Cummings 2015; Karvonen and Martio 2019; Man, Lundh, et al. 2018). It has been found in the operation of UAVs that operators have limited situational awareness due to no longer having the same sensory cues as they would onboard the aircraft, which has also been suggested may be the case for MASS (Hobbs and Lyall 2016; Hunter, Wargo, and Blumer 2017; Karvonen and Martio 2019). Another issue which may be found in the operation of UAVs and MASS is that the operator might become cognitively overloaded if vast amounts of data from the automated system are displayed to them (Deng et al. 2020; Kerr et al. 2019; Man, Lundh, and Porathe 2014; Wahlström et al. 2015). However, there are differences between their operation such as navigation in the aviation domain is in three dimensions versus the maritime domain which is only in two dimensions (Praetorius et al. 2012). Another difference between the two domains is that the vehicles in the aviation domain are travelling at much higher speeds than in the maritime domain, which means that operators of UAVs have shorter times in which to make decisions (Praetorius et al. 2012). These differences may limit the transferability of using an aviation case study when trying to understand the implications of operating MASS, however, as their operations are similar there may be lessons that can be learnt from operating UAVs for MASS.

# 2. Method: understanding decision-making in human-machine teaming

# 2.1. Search methods and source selection

Four comprehensive searches were conducted (in October 2020) to explore decision-making in human autonomous machine teams (see Table 2 for the search terms used for decision-making in human autonomous machine teams) using Google Scholar, Research Gate, Scopus, and Web of Science databases. Due to the number of the search results, searches were limited to 50 articles from Google Scholar and Research Gate and were sorted by

Search Terms	Google Scholar	Scopus	Web of Science	Research Gate	Totals
('decision' OR 'decision-making') AND ('autonomous') AND ('human-machine')	50	165	93	50	358
('decision' OR 'decision-making') AND ('autonomous') AND ('maritime') AND ('human-machine')	50	2	0	6	58
('decision' OR 'decision-making') AND ('autonomous') AND ('military') AND ('human-machine')	50	14	5	38	107
('decision' OR 'decision-making') AND ('theory' OR 'theories' OR 'method' OR 'methods' OR 'model' OR 'models') AND ('human-machine')	50	145	134	50	379
('decision' OR 'decision-making') AND ('human-machine') AND ('accountability')	10	6	4	10	30
Totals	210	332	236	154	932

Table 2. Search terms used, and number of articles found for each database

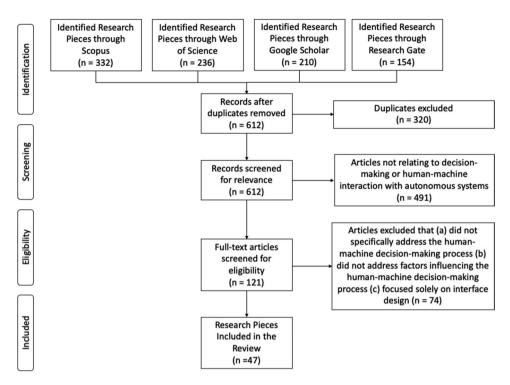


Figure 1. The PRISMA selection process was used to find relevant articles for the review.

relevance to try to ensure key literature was covered. A further search was also carried out for accountability in decision-making in HMT (in November 2020) as it is an important consideration in the application of MASS, especially at higher levels of autonomy due to the automated system having some decision-making power. A fifth search was then conducted (see Table 2), to investigate accountability in decision-making in a HMT this search was limited to ten articles from Google Scholar and Research Gate as Scopus and Web of Science searches only gave six and four articles respectively.

The articles were selected using the Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic reviews and Meta-Analyses (PRISMA) selection process (Moher et al. 2009), shown in Figure 1 and was used to reduce the initial total of articles from 932 articles to 47 articles. Articles relating to machine learning and decision algorithms were excluded, as they related to the technical development of decision-making software and were not the focus of this research. Articles which solely discussed the design of interfaces were also excluded as they did not specifically focus on the human-machine team decision-making process. Due to the specific nature of the search terms used, literature on the effects of automation on the human decision-making process has also been included in the review (18 articles).

# 2.2. Theme elicitation: identification of themes in human-machine teaming

Following the selection of the articles, a thematic analysis of HMT literature was conducted using a grounded theory approach (Braun and Clarke 2006). Themes were generated by iteratively reviewing the literature, searching for themes within the data, and reviewing and

refining the themes generated from the literature (Braun and Clarke 2006). This approach was chosen as past literature reviews (e.g. Foster, Plant, and Stanton 2019; Rafferty, Stanton, and Walker 2010; Sanderson, Stanton, and Plant 2020) have successfully used the grounded theory approach to elicit core themes from bodies of literature. Seven themes were produced using this approach: decision support systems, trust, transparency, task/role allocation, teams, accountability, and situational awareness (SA). To see the themes identified in each paper included in the review see Appendix A. As the coding of themes can be subjective inter-rater reliability was conducted to assess the reliability of the coding. Two raters were given a coding scheme of the seven themes identified and asked to code text segments from 16 of the 65 papers included in the review. An average percentage agreement of 85% was found for the coded themes, which was over the 80% percentage agreement that has been used in the literature as an acceptable level of percentage agreement between raters (Jentsch et al. 2005; Plant and Stanton 2013).

# 3. Results

#### 3.1.7 Themes in human-machine teaming literature

#### 3.1.1. Theme 1: decision support system

Decision Support Systems (DSS) are used in complex environments to support human decision-making (Parasuraman and Manzey 2010). DSSs have a wide range of uses, they have been used to alert pilots to mid-air collisions (Parasuraman and Manzey 2010), enhance military tactical decision-making (Morrison, Kelly, and Hutchins 1996) and support emergency workers' decision-making in a disaster. There are two main functions of DSS to either alert the human (e.g. to a system failure) or to give them a recommendation (e.g. recommendations on proposed routes) (Parasuraman and Manzey 2010).

Various approaches have been used to design DSSs such as participatory design where users are aid the design process (McNeish and Maguire 2019; Smith et al. 2012; Spinuzzi 2005) and scenario-based design (Carroll 1997), where a user interaction scenario is used to develop a design (Smith et al. 2012). These approaches could be used for the design of MASS DSSs to ensure that a human-centred design approach is used so that the systems have been designed to support operators' decision-making. Cognitive Task Analysis (CTA) has also been applied in the design of DSSs (O'Hare et al. 1998) to model the components of a task and the thought processes used to carry out that task, the DSS can then be designed to support these processes (O'Hare et al. 1998; Smith et al. 2012). Knisely et al. (2020) used CTA to decompose tasks in a monitoring control room and investigate human performance in control rooms, which suggests that CTA may also be applicable to investigate RCCs as operators of MASS will be expected to perform similar monitoring tasks. It was recommended that supervisory tasks should avoid having peaks in cognitive workload and try to remain at a constant level of workload, which may also be an important consideration for MASS DSSs (Knisely et al. 2020). Other task analysis techniques such as Hierarchical Task Analysis (HTA) (Stanton 2006) have been used to identify tasks and decompose them for a collision-avoidance system for MASS operation (Ramos, Utne, and Mosleh 2019). This suggests that HTA could be used to aid the design of other MASS DSSs and could be used to further explore how other tasks of operators at RCCs could be supported (Ramos, Utne, and Mosleh 2019).

The use of DSSs may affect how HMTs make decisions, so it is important to consider their design as the role of the human changes, as a result of the automation (Cook and Smallman 2013; Mallam, Nazir, and Sharma 2020; Voshell, Tittle, and Roth 2016). The DSS will need to support the human in supervising their machine teammate and in the management of the HMT by creating a shared state of knowledge (Madni and Madni 2018; Voshell, Tittle, and Roth 2016). Designing effective DSSs has been suggested to minimise oversight and error in HMTs, as shared decision-making will greatly affect the performance of the HMT and it will be necessary to investigate how DSSs could be designed to support shared decision-making between the operator and the MASS' automated system (Ahvenjärvi 2016; Madni and Madni 2018; Norris 2018). DSSs can also be used to support communication in a HMT and help the team to develop shared SA by presenting information to the human in an appropriate way, it will be necessary to investigate how this information should be presented for MASS operators to develop that shared SA (Schaefer et al. 2017). Limited SA has been highlighted as one of the main issues with operators operating MASS from RCC, so DSSs for RCC operators must provide them with the necessary SA to be able to make high-quality decisions (Wahlström et al. 2015). Another function of DSSs is to provide transparency to the human about the processes of their autonomous teammate, which will affect their level of trust in the system (Barnes, Chen, and Hill 2017; Panganiban, Matthews, and Long 2020; Westin, Borst, and Hilburn 2016).

#### 3.1.2. Theme 2: trust

A human's trust in an automated system has been defined as a function of predictability, dependability, and faith in that system (Lee and Moray 1992). However, there are many different definitions of trust (see Lee and See 2004; Hoff and Bashir 2015). Overreliance and under reliance are potential issues in a HMT, if the operator overtrusts the system it could lead to accidents if the system is not being monitored adequately or the operator may reject the capabilities of the system (Karvonen and Martio 2019; Lee and See 2004; Parasuraman and Riley 1997). This will be important as the main role of MASS operators at higher levels of automation will be to monitor the system effectively (Dybvik, Veitch, and Steinert 2020; Hoem et al. 2018; Ramos, Utne, and Mosleh 2019; Størkersen 2021).

Mallam, Nazir, and Sharma (2020) interviewed maritime subject matter experts on the potential impact of autonomous systems and trust was found to be one of the dominant themes. If an agent lacks trust, they are less likely to rely on their autonomous teammate (Boy 2011; Hoc 2000; Karvonen and Martio 2019; Millot and Pacaux-Lemoine 2013). The system's ability to communicate intent then becomes important, as a human's trust will depend on whether they believe the system's goals are in line with their own goal (Matthews et al. 2020; Schaefer et al. 2017). Therefore, it is important to consider how trust is built in HMTs for the operation of MASS to help support cooperation and appropriate reliance between the operator and MASS (Barnes, Chen, and Hill 2017; Matthews et al. 2016; McDermott et al. 2017; Millot and Pacaux-Lemoine 2013). It has been found that Adaptive Automation (AA) can be used to reduce overtrust and increase the detection of system failures, by shifting between manual and automated control depending on the operator and situation, which may be appropriate in the design of MASS (Lee and See 2004).

Vorm and Miller (2020) investigated factors that influence trust in an autonomous system. It was found that the participants thought understanding the variables considered in

recommendations and their weightings were important, suggesting system transparency can influence trust (Vorm and Miller 2020). In contrast, in Lyons et al. (2019) study transparency was not found to be a prominent factor. Instead, it was found that reliability, predictability and task support were important factors in the participant's trust. However, this may have been due to the type of technologies being discussed as participants were asked about intelligent technologies not necessarily autonomous systems, so these findings may not be applicable to MASS.

Hoff and Bashir (2015) presented a three-level model of trust in automation from the analysis of a systematic review, these levels were: dispositional trust, situational trust and learned trust. Dispositional trust represents an individual's propensity to trust, it has been suggested that high levels of dispositional trust led to higher levels of trust in reliable systems (Hoff and Bashir 2015; Matthews et al. 2020; Nahavandi 2017). It has been suggested that initial expectations and trust are formed from the operator's own mental models (Matthews et al. 2020; Warren and Hillas 2020). Although, there is a potential difficulty in forming accurate mental models, as operators may not have a detailed understanding of the system or have experience using it (Matthews et al. 2020; Warren and Hillas 2020). It has been found that lower levels of self-confidence and can lead to higher levels of trust, which can often be found in novices who are more likely to rely on the automation (Hoff and Bashir 2015; Lee and Moray 1994; Lee and See 2004).

The second level, situational trust depends on the type and complexity of the automated system, it has been found that there can be a perception bias due to external situational factors, such as the reliability of other automated systems in use and the level of risk in the environment (Hoff and Bashir 2015). The third level learned trust is influenced by the operator's prior knowledge of the system and their experience using that automated system (Hoff and Bashir 2015; Mallam, Nazir, and Sharma 2020). It has been shown that trust can be influenced and reduce complacency by training operators about a DSS's actual reliability (Hoff and Bashir 2015). The reliability of the automated system, in the form of false alarms (the system incorrectly alerts the operator to an issue) and misses (when the system fails to alert the operator) can reduce trust (Hoff and Bashir 2015; Lee and Moray 1992). As completely reliable automation is unachievable it will be necessary to consider how the system is designed to give an appropriate level of trust, operators could be shown the processes of the automated system in an interpretable way or provided with intermediate results to verify them (Lee and See 2004).

# 3.1.3. Theme 3: transparency

The transparency of an automated system describes the degree to which the human is aware of what the system's processes are and how they work. Transparency has been shown to improve task performance and lead to appropriate trust, by providing accurate information on the reliability of the system (Hoff and Bashir 2015). However, how this reliability information is displayed can have different effects on HMT performance (Hoff and Bashir 2015). Integrated displays showing task and reliability information have been found to be relied on more appropriately and to improve task efficiency (Neyedli, Hollands, and Jamieson 2011). In this case, the design of a combat identification system was investigated and it was found that integrating information such as target identity (different colours for targets and non-targets) and system reliability (using a pie chart or mesh displays) showed improvements in the participants' task efficiency and appropriate reliance (Neyedli, Hollands, and Jamieson 2011).

Oduor and Wiebe (2008) found that the participant's perceived trust was rated lower when the system's decision algorithm was hidden from them. It was also found that the transparency method (textual or graphical) used had more of an effect on trust (Oduor and Wiebe 2008).

Many autonomous systems hide their decision-making processes from the human operator due to their complexity, making it difficult for them to be interpretable (Seeber et al. 2020; Stensson and Jansson 2014). Giving operators more information about a system's decision-making processes, could allow operators to form more accurate mental models of their autonomous teammates and lead to higher levels of trust (Mallam, Nazir, and Sharma 2020; Matthews et al. 2016). Allowing an operator to evaluate the automated system, by making them aware of its assumptions could lead to higher quality decisions in the HMT (Dreyer and Oltedal 2019; Fleischmann and Wallace 2005; Mallam, Nazir, and Sharma 2020).

It has been suggested that transparency is required for a HMT relationship to give each teammate a shared understanding of the task, objectives and progress (Barnes, Chen, and Hill 2017; Barnes, Chen, and Hill 2017; Johnson et al. 2014; McDermott et al. 2017). The model developed by Chen et al. (2014) describes supporting the operator's SA using three levels: level one what's happening and what the agent is trying to, level two why the agent does it and level 3 SA what the operator should expect. It was found that levels one and two can improve subjective trust and SA in a HMT (Barnes, Chen, and Hill 2017). However, including level three information did not improve trust suggesting further investigation is required (Barnes, Chen, and Hill 2017).

The effect of transparency on trust and reliance has been investigated in a HITL scenario of pilots using an autonomous constrained flight planner (Sadler et al. 2016). It was found that the pilot's trust increased with the transparency of the flight planner, when the pilots' were given risk evaluations and the system's reasoning (Sadler et al. 2016). However, it was also found that as the level of transparency increased the pilots were less likely to accept the system's recommendations (Sadler et al. 2016). This suggests that increasing transparency for the HITL scenario allowed operators to make informed decisions, suggesting that transparency will also be important for HOTL system designs (Sadler et al. 2016). In contrast, Tulli et al. (2019) found no significant effect of transparency on cooperation and trust in HMTs, it was found that the system's strategy had the greatest effect on the cooperation rate and trust in the HMT.

The MUFASA project investigated automation decision acceptance and the performance for air traffic control DSSs (SESAR Joint Undertaking 2013). It was found that controllers rejected 25% of cases even though they agreed with their strategies and they had difficulties in understanding the system's strategies (Westin, Borst, and Hilburn 2016). The effect of transparency on DSSs for air traffic controllers was investigated to understand why the recommendations had been rejected in the MUFASA project (Westin, Borst, and Hilburn 2016). Although one DSS was perceived as being more transparent than the other, transparency of the DSSs did not affect the controller's acceptance rate, this suggests other factors may be involved (Westin, Borst, and Hilburn 2016).

It has been shown that humans are less likely to cooperate with their teammate if they know they are a robot (Ishowo-Oloko et al. 2019). However, robots can elicit better cooperation than human-human teams, if the human teammate is incorrectly informed that their teammate is a human and not a robot (Ishowo-Oloko et al. 2019). Although these findings may not apply to the operation of MASS, as the human will be aware they are working with an automated system, it does suggest that further investigation is required to find out why better cooperation was found in that case.

#### 3.1.4. Theme 4: teams

Using a system with a higher level of autonomy that can make its own decisions, means that teamwork becomes important. The human and the automated system must be able to work together to achieve the overall system goal. The decision-making will be shared between them at the higher levels of autonomy, so it is important to understand what might affect the HMT's ability to make decisions, how teamwork can be supported and determine how HMTs can be investigated.

Teamwork is supported by a shared mental model (Bruemmer, Marble, and Dudenhoeffer 2002). If the mental model is complementary, each team member has the information that they need to carry out their task. Team members will need to understand 'who' holds 'what' information (Boy 2011; Bruemmer, Marble, and Dudenhoeffer 2002). It has been shown that team members in high workload environments perform better and communicate more effectively when they share similar knowledge structures (Boy 2011). Transparency influences teamwork in HMTs, by understanding a teammate's intention it could mean that each teammate could better anticipate where their teammates might need support, which could increase team performance (Johnson et al. 2014; Lyons et al. 2019; Schaefer et al. 2017).

Tossell et al. (2020) suggested various guidelines for representing military tasks for HMT research and that it is necessary to prioritise the level and type of fidelity that is appropriate for the research objective. The Wizard of Oz technique was suggested as a way of maintaining fidelity whilst the technology is still in development, the technique involves a human playing the role of the computer in a simulated human-computer interaction (Bartneck and Forlizzi 2004; Steinfeld, Jenkins, and Scassellati 2009). The application of this technique then allows fidelity to be maintained even though the technology is not advanced enough to be used at that stage (Bartneck and Forlizzi 2004; Steinfeld, Jenkins, and Scassellati 2009). Simulating smoke and other environmental factors to create a sense of danger can also be used to increase fidelity when representing a military task (Tossell et al. 2020). The level of fidelity used in HMT research is important as it defines the degree to which a simulation replicates reality, a higher fidelity system is a closer representation of the real world (Tossell et al. 2020). It will be important to consider the fidelity when researching HMT for the operation of MASS.

For instance, Walliser et al. (2019) used the Wizard of Oz technique to explore the impact that team structure and team-building have on the HMT. It was found that framing the relationship as a team rather than a tool-like relationship, gave improved subjective ratings of cohesion, trust and interdependence and participants were more likely to adapt roles during the scenario to support teamwork (Walliser et al. 2019). However, it did not show an improvement in team performance (Walliser et al. 2019). Instead, formal team-building exercises (e.g. clarifying roles and goals) have been found to improve team performance and communication (Walliser et al. 2019).

Chung, Yoon, and Min (2009) developed a framework, based on Rasmussen's (1974) decision ladder, for team communication in nuclear power control rooms. It showed where communication errors may occur in the control room and may be applicable to investigating communication in MASS HMTs (Chung, Yoon, and Min 2009). Effective communication will be important so that both the human and the automated system have appropriate task-relevant information available to them to be able to make decisions (Matthews et al. 2016). It is also important that information is provided that supports team cohesion and coordination, to help build team resilience as each member can then step in to support if required (Matthews et al. 2016). It has been found that the team type (independent or

dependent) has an effect on trust and that those who were dependent (shared tasks with their autonomous teammate) reported higher levels of trust (Panganiban, Matthews, and Long 2020). It was shown that individuals are inclined to team with an autonomous teammate when carrying out a military task, but this may not be transferrable to real-world military scenarios due to the simplicity of the scenario (Panganiban, Matthews, and Long 2020).

#### 3.1.5. Theme 5: task/role allocation

The divisions of tasks and roles will have to change at higher levels of automation. The introduction of higher levels of automation does not mean that tasks will just be shifted from human to automated systems, it also means that the nature of the tasks may change and new tasks may be added or other tasks removed (Parasuraman et al. 2007). It has been proposed that the division of tasks between the human and automated system describes the nature of the cooperation (Simmler and Frischknecht 2021). The coordination of these new tasks and roles will also then be crucial to the functioning of the HMT (Parasuraman et al. 2007). Human supervisors of these systems will need an understanding of the divisions of tasks and roles, to delegate tasks to the automated system and understand their responsibilities (Parasuraman et al. 2007). The addition of facilitation in the HMT changes it to one of cooperation as each teammate tries to manage the interference to support the team goal (Hoc 2000; Navarro 2017). It has been suggested that using a Common Frame of Reference (COFOR; Hoc 2001), creating a shared knowledge, belief and representation structure between two agents, similar to shared SA (Endsley and Jones 1997) could allow more effective cooperation (Millot and Pacaux-Lemoine 2013).

The task allocation in a HMT and for MASS may have human performance consequences on workload, SA, complacency and skill degradation (Hoc 2000; Parasuraman, Sheridan, and Wickens 2000). It has been found that using automation to highlight or integrate information can be useful in reducing workload (Parasuraman, Sheridan, and Wickens 2000). However, if automated systems are difficult to initiate and engage, an operator's cognitive workload is increased (Karvonen and Martio 2019; Parasuraman, Sheridan, and Wickens 2000). The effect of automation on SA will be discussed in greater detail in Section 3.1.7, it is important to note that automating decision-making functions can reduce an operator's SA (Parasuraman, Sheridan, and Wickens 2000). It has been found that humans are less aware of decisions made by an automated system, than when the human is in control of the task (Miller and Parasuraman 2007). It has been suggested that for high-risk environments in future command and control systems, decision automation should be set to a moderate level allowing the human operator to still be involved in the decision-making process and retain some level of control (Parasuraman et al. 2007).

It has been shown that adaptive task allocation, where the task allocation is dynamic and moves between the human operator and the automated system can improve monitoring performance (Parasuraman, Mouloua, and Molloy 1996) could be appropriate during periods of low or moderate workload so the operator would not be overloaded due to the handover of control (Parasuraman, Mouloua, and Molloy 1996). However, the implementation would need to be considered to ensure that the intentions of the system are clear to the operator and that the task is appropriate for human control (Parasuraman, Mouloua, and Molloy 1996). AA can also be used to reduce operator workload or used to increase their SA when the former is detected to be too high or the latter is too low (Parasuraman

and Wickens 2008). It has been suggested that the human could be in charge of the AA but that may increase their workload and lose the benefit of using the AA, so it would be important to consider these issues if AA is used for MASS (Parasuraman and Wickens 2008).

Introducing flexibility in team roles poses a challenge for HMTs because any change in role must be communicated to the other agents. All agents must maintain an awareness of workload and task performance and be capable of adapting their behaviour when required (Bruemmer, Marble, and Dudenhoeffer 2002). However, this introduces the potential for a new class of errors due to handing over the new roles or tasks between the human and automated system. As machines become more involved in higher-level decision-making processing, it may make management structures and responsibility more difficult to define, as the human will not be in full control (Seeber et al. 2020). Another challenge in allocating roles in a HMT is avoiding conflict situations. A conflict situation may arise when the automated system has the authority to carry out a specific action but due to failure or error, the human agent may be held responsible/accountable even though they were not directly involved in the action (Voshell, Tittle, and Roth 2016).

#### 3.1.6. Theme 6: accountability

Accountability is a challenge in HMTs as responsibility is divided between the human and an automated system (Boy 2011). If the human operator does not fully understand an automated system and they are unable to explain its processes, it raises the question of if they can be held accountable for the behaviour of the system (Simmler and Frischknecht 2021; Taylor and De Leeuw 2021). Similarly, Benzmüller and Lomfeld (2020) discussed how accountability could be determined if the system's decision-making process is hidden from the system users. It was suggested that these systems need to be made interpretable and communicate their reasoning for a decision to the human, to help with the issue of accountability (Benzmüller and Lomfeld 2020). There are also concerns about accountability in the use of military automated systems. For instance, if a defence analyst agrees with a recommendation from an automated system and something goes wrong, the analyst may be held accountable for that decision even though they may not have had a full understanding of the decision behind the recommendation (Warren and Hillas 2020). By increasing the transparency of these decision-making processes of highly automated systems it may be possible to determine levels of accountability when there is an incident or accident (Benzmüller and Lomfeld 2020; Taylor and De Leeuw 2021).

In degrees two and three of autonomy of MASS (see Section 1) the ship's system may be remotely controlled and human operators may still control or be directly involved in the decision-making process. In degree four of autonomy, the ship's system is fully autonomous which introduces diffused accountability as multiple people are responsible for the system's design and operation (Loh and Loh Sombetzki 2017). However, de Laat (2017) also raises concerns about increasing the transparency in decision-making algorithms such as potential data leaks, people working around the decision-making algorithms and the decision-making algorithms may not be easily understood even if they are transparent. Although de Laat (2017) refers to decision-making algorithms specifically, these points are transferable to automated systems, as supervisors could potentially be unaware of how these systems make decisions.

It has been suggested that recording decision-making and actions in cognitive systems could be a way to establish who made the decision and therefore engineer accountable decision-making in the system (Lemieux and Dang 2013). Whilst this could help establish accountability after an incident or accident by tracking which agents made the decisions, it does not address how the decision-making processes of the agents involved in the HMT will change with the introduction of a highly automated teammate. McCarthy et al. (1997) developed a framework to investigate organisation accountability in high consequence systems, as often failures in organisational processes leave operators with conflicting goals. McCarthy et al. (1997) argued that it is necessary to understand the relationships between accountability, work practice and artefacts within a system to be able to infer the requirements for the design of the high-consequence systems. McCarthy et al. (1997) also discussed task and role allocation within a system, that operators need to have the necessary level of control within the system to infer accountability. However, as the decision-making may be shared between the human and the autonomous system for various tasks this would still be an issue, as accountability might not be as easily inferred from the task or role allocation (Boy 2011).

#### 3.1.7. Theme 7: situational awareness

One key Human Factors challenge for the operation of MASS is that the operators are still able to maintain SA (Endsley 1995) despite no longer being present aboard the ship. SA plays an important role in human decision-making in dynamic situations as it describes the decision maker's perception of the state of the environment (Endsley 1995). Endsley (1995) defined three levels of SA, perception of elements in the environment (level 1), this could be the operator recognising the ship's location and other nearby ships' locations. Comprehension of the current situation (level 2), the ship may be on a collision course with another ship, and the projection of future status (level 3) (Endsley 1995).

From a design point of view the information displayed by a DSS and how that information is displayed will affect an operator's ability to perceive and understand the situation, therefore affect the quality of their decisions (Endsley and Kiris 1995; Endsley 1995; Parasuraman, Sheridan, and Wickens 2008). It has been proposed that an operator should have the same information available as they would have onboard a ship (Karvonen and Martio 2019; Ramos, Utne, and Mosleh 2019). Reduced SA for MASS may be due to a lack of sense of the ship rocking or other environmental conditions, affecting their ability to steer the ship in poor weather conditions, a lack of vehicle sense has already been found in aviation when using remote operation (Ramos, Utne, and Mosleh 2019; Wahlström et al. 2015). This has safety implications because a lack of SA could increase the likelihood of accidents and lead to poor decisions being made (Dreyer and Oltedal 2019; Endsley 1995).

Out-of-the-loop performance issues and a lack of level 2 SA have been seen when highlevel cognitive tasks are automated (Endsley and Kiris 1995). These findings suggest that the higher-level understanding of the system state is compromised, affecting the operator's ability to diagnose faults and control the system (Endsley and Kiris 1995). However, it has also been found that at higher levels of automation the operator's workload is reduced which can help them to maintain high SA (Endsley and Kaber 1999). The relationship between the level of automation and SA has been found to be highly context-dependent on the task and function that has been automated (Wickens 2008). It will be important that the interfaces for RCCs are designed to support the operators in maintaining their SA, which will be challenging at higher levels of automation (Ahvenjärvi 2016). There is also a need to find innovative ways of supporting operators getting back into the loop to take back control (Endsley and Kiris 1995). Mackinnon et al. (2015) investigated the concept of a Shore-side Control Centre (SCC) using participants with a maritime background. Participants were asked to carry out different MASS operation scenarios: navigation tasks, collision scenarios, engine component failures and precise manoeuvring (Mackinnon et al. 2015). There was high variability in participants' SA ratings depending on what role they had been assigned (Mackinnon et al. 2015). This suggests that there are a number of factors that prevent individuals from gaining appropriate levels of SA including command structure (Mackinnon et al. 2015). The findings suggested that participants lacked 'ship-sense' meaning they were unable to physically verify the data being presented (Mackinnon et al. 2015). This suggests that visual and/or auditory data may be necessary for a SCC to give operators the sense of being on board the vessel to increase their SA (Mackinnon et al. 2015). Similarly, Ahvenjärvi (2016) suggested that the provision of auditory feedback could help to maintain an operator's SA as they may be able to detect faults with critical equipment such as the rudders and main propellers.

SA is also important for collaboration in HMTs as it allows them to assess situations and make appropriate decisions in dynamic situations (Demir and McNeese 2015; Millot and Pacaux-Lemoine 2013). Although autonomous agents have different decision-making processes, it is still possible to develop communication protocols which can facilitate team SA being established (Schaefer et al. 2017). Team SA supports co-ordination of both the human and autonomous agents allowing them to carry out the overall team goal (Endsley 1995; Schaefer et al. 2017). Without shared SA, incorrect assessments may be made by one member and potentially an incorrect decision being made (Schaefer et al. 2017). However, developing shared SA in HMTs may be difficult due to the lack of physical proximity between the agents in the system (Schaefer et al. 2017).

#### 3.2. Design recommendations for MASS and avenues for further research

From the literature of the seven themes, various design recommendations for MASS have been identified, shown in Table 3, that could be used to help support operator decision-making within a MASS HMT. In addition, areas for further research into the HMT decision-making process and how operators in those HMTs can be best supported have also been suggested in Table 3.

# **3.3.** Development of a network model for decision-making in human-machine teams

The HMT articles were reviewed iteratively again to explore any connections between the seven themes identified and any interconnections found were recorded (including notes on directionality). The interconnections found included where themes were discussed in reference to other themes and where the effect of themes on other themes had been investigated. To assess the reliability of the interconnections coding an inter-rater reliability analysis was conducted with two raters who were given text segments of 15 out of the 71 connections included in the Network Model. A moderate percentage agreement was found, which resulted in a discussion between the raters where the coding scheme was refined, and a consensus was agreed to reach a percentage agreement of 80%. The results are

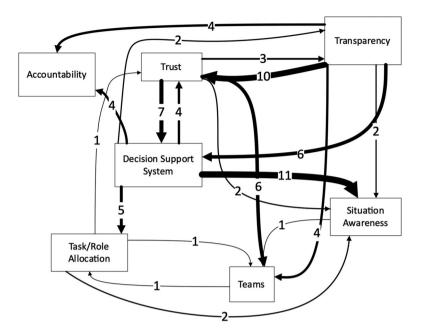
Theme	Design Recommendations for MASS and areas for further research
Decision Support Systems	<ul> <li>Human-centred design approaches such as CTA and HTA will be needed to ensure that MASS DSSs are designed effectively to support the operators in their tasks.</li> <li>Consider how the design of MASS DSSs will affect operator's workload when carrying out their tasks and where possible avoid high peaks in workload of operator's carrying out supervisory tasks and trying to ensure that workload is kept at a constant level.</li> <li>It will also be necessary to consider how the DSS can be designed to support communication and understanding between the MASS' automated systems and the operator.</li> </ul>
Trust	<ul> <li>Consider how MASS operator training could be used to help MASS operators form accurate mental models, by giving operators experience working with the automated system and a better understanding of its capabilities, to promote appropriate levels of trust being formed.</li> <li>Another consideration that will be important in the design of MASS systems is the level of transparency of the automated system, as it will affect the operator's ability to understand the system's processes and therefore their trust in the automated system.</li> <li>The use of flexible approaches such as adaptive automation should be consider in the design of MASS systems where tasks are appropriate for human and machine control.</li> </ul>
Transparency	<ul> <li>For the design of MASS systems, it will be important to consider the level of transparency of the automated systems so that operators have an appropriate amount information to allow them to make informed decisions. It has been suggested that system transparency can be improved by including information such as communicating the system's goal, its plan of achieving that goal, its progress and the system's reasoning processes, these types of information should be considered when designing MASS systems.</li> <li>It will also be necessary to further investigate what other types of information could be used to increase the transparency of the MASS system without overloading the operation.</li> <li>Another consideration for the design of MASS systems will be how this information can be displayed and integrated within these displays for the operator, to increase task efficiency and promote appropriate reliance on the automated MASS systems.</li> </ul>
Teams	<ul> <li>For MASS it will be important that the operator role has been clearly defined and that they have an appropriate understanding of their role and the automated system's role in the overall goal of the system.</li> <li>MASS systems designs will need to consider how communication and teamwork between the operator and automated system can be facilitated and ensure that the operator has the necessary task relevant information to allow them to make informed decisions.</li> <li>When researching MASS HMTs, the level of fidelity should be considered carefully to increase the ecological validity of the findings.</li> <li>Further investigation will be needed into how different team structures and methods of communication will affect collaboration within the HMT for operating MASS specifically.</li> </ul>
Task/Role Allocation	<ul> <li>The risks associated with the MASS system being designed should be considered to ensure that an appropriate level of automation is used for that system. If the operators are working with safety-critical systems, such as collision avoidance systems they still maintain an appropriate level of control and be involved in the decision-making process.</li> <li>The tasks of the operator will also need to be considered in the design of MASS system as the operator's workload will be affected, adaptive automation could be used to reduce the operator's workload by creating flexibility with the MASS HMT.</li> <li>The use of adaptive automation would need to take into account the type of task and be implemented in a way as not create a peak in workload as the operator hands over the task and takes back the task from the automated system.</li> </ul>

 Table 3. Design recommendations for MASS and avenues for further research identified in the review of the HMT decision-making literature.

Accountability	<ul> <li>There is still a need to investigate accountability in HMTs further, as automated systems use higher levels of automation and there is less direct human involvement. However, it can be seen there is a need to look beyond the relationship between the MASS and operator when considering accountability and system-based approaches will be necessary to consider the wider influences such as the organisation's influence as well.</li> <li>The level of control that the operator has within the system needs to be carefully considered depending on the risks associated with that system, to ensure that the operator maintains an appropriate level of control and is still involved in the HMT decision-making process.</li> </ul>
Situational Awareness	<ul> <li>Further investigation is required into what information will be needed for MASS operators to maintain their SA and how that information should be displayed to the operators.</li> <li>Novel ways of supporting operator's SA will be required due to them no longer having the same environmental cues as they might do onboard so they may have a lack of 'ship sense' and they may become disengaged at higher levels of automation.</li> <li>There is also a need to find innovative ways of supporting the MASS operator getting back into the loop and taking back control in the event of an emergency.</li> </ul>

presented in a Network Model in Figure 2. It shows that there are many interconnections between these themes, the highest being between DSS and SA. The DSS used may influence the human's ability to maintain their SA which as discussed previously will be an important factor in their ability to make high-quality decisions (Ahvenjärvi 2016; Endsley 1995; Mackinnon et al. 2015). Figure 2 also shows that the design of the DSS will also have an effect on how the tasks or roles are allocated within the HMT, which may influence the safety and performance of the HMT (Miller and Parasuraman 2007; Parasuraman et al. 2007). Similarly, it shows the type and design of the DSS will also influence how accountability is viewed within the HMT, which may influence the HMT decision-making process (Benzmüller and Lomfeld 2020; de Laat 2017; Lemieux and Dang 2013; Loh and Loh Sombetzki 2017). The connections between trust and DSSs describe how the design and reliability of the DSS may affect a user's level of trust in it and how their level of trust may affect their use of a DSS (Barnes, Chen, and Hill 2017; Matthews et al. 2016; Parasuraman and Manzey 2010; Sadler et al. 2016).

The relationship between trust and transparency in a HMT can be seen in the Network Model. The level of transparency of an automated system will change the human's trust in the system as the transparency chosen will affect their knowledge of the system's processes (Fleischmann and Wallace 2005; Panganiban, Matthews, and Long 2020). It was also found that the individual differences in trust could potentially be used to configure a level of transparency to ensure that the human has an appropriate level of trust (Matthews et al. 2020; Sadler et al. 2016). The transparency of DSSs has been investigated to find what the effect is on trust, SA and overall system performance (Barnes, Chen, and Hill 2017; Sadler et al. 2016; Tulli et al. 2019). Figure 2 shows the relationship between transparency and accountability, that accountability could be achieved by increasing the system's transparency to give human's a greater understanding of the system's decision-making process (Benzmüller and Lomfeld 2020; de Laat 2017). It was found that both trust in an automated system and the transparency of that system can influence teamwork, so it will be important to consider these influences on the HMT decision-making process (Ishowo-Oloko et al. 2019).



**Figure 2.** Decision-Making in HMT network model showing the interconnections between themes and the number of papers found for each interconnection.

# 4. Application of the decision-making in human-machine teams network model to an uncrewed aerial vehicle accident

The use of the grounded theory to generate the themes from the literature on decision-making in HMTs is an exploratory approach. Thus, to provide an initial validation of the decision-making in HMTs model presented (Figure 2) it has been applied to a UAV case study. The use of case studies has been used in human factors research to show the validity of theoretical models developed from literature by applying them to real-world examples (Foster, Plant, and Stanton 2019; Parnell, Stanton, and Plant 2016; Plant and Stanton 2012). The application of case studies has been used for adaption in complex socio-technical systems (Foster, Plant, and Stanton 2019), driver distraction (Parnell, Stanton, and Plant 2016), decision-making in the cockpit (Plant and Stanton 2012) and decision-making in tank commanders (Jenkins et al. 2010). A UAV case study has been selected to provide the initial validation for the network model because MASS operation shares similarities with UAV operation as both are operated from RCCs (see Section 1.1 for a description of the similarities and differences in UAV and MASS operation).

# 4.1. Accident synopsis

In the summer of 2018, the Watchkeeper 50 UAV crashed during part of a training exercise at West Wales Airport. An accident investigation was performed and culminated in the publication of an accident report by the Defence Safety Authority (2019). In this case, the UAV failed to register ground contact when it touched down on the runway, so the UAV's system auto aborted the landing attempt and began to conduct a fly around to attempt

another landing. However, the UAV deviated off the runway and onto the grass. The operator, seeing this deviation, then tried to manually abort the landing, but this was after the system's auto-abort had been engaged. The operator then decided to cut the engine, as they believed that the UAV had landed on the grass. However, the UAV had already risen to 40 ft in the attempt to land again, so when the UAV's engine was cut it began to glide and then crashed shortly afterwards.

Several contributory factors were identified by the Defence Safety Authority (2019). These are presented in Table 4 and show that multiple layers of the system were implicated in accident formation. For instance, it was found by the Defence Safety Authority that the action which caused the accident was pilot 1 cutting the UAV's engine (Defence Safety Authority 2019). However, there were multiple pre-conditions such as the runway slope, crosswinds and the GCS crew losing SA. At the pre-condition layer, it was found that the causal factors were the GCS crew's loss of SA and the deviation of the UAV onto the grass as these factors led to the decision to cut the UAV's engine. Whereas factors such as the runway's slope and the crosswinds contributed to the accident, as these affected the extent of the UAV's deviation from the runway.

When analysing an accident involving a complex socio-technical system it is important to view the system as a whole to determine the root cause of an accident, rather than just focusing on the human operator of the system (Dekker 2006). By viewing an accident in this way, it is possible to see the system errors which may occur at each level of the system and how they caused or contributed to the accident (Plant and Stanton 2012; Woods 2010). To view system error, it is important to look at each level involved in the lead up to an accident, which includes the organisational influences, and supervision if inadequate could lead to the accident. It also includes the pre-conditions which are factors that led to the unique situation occurring. By understanding the influence of these factors, the actions during the accident can then be put into context.

It can be seen in Table 4 that there were eight contributing factors and three other factors involved in the accident. Table 4 also shows how organisation influences and pre-conditions

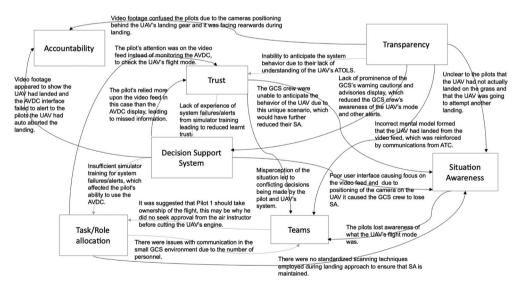
Organisational Influences	Supervision	Pre-conditions	Actions	Casual Factors
Crew flying rates and currencies	Supervision	The UAV deviating off the runway onto the grass	Pilot 1 pressing the UAV's engine cut	Contributory Factors
Flight Reference Cards		Loss of SA by the GCS crew	Emergency Handling	Other Factors
Insufficient & Ineffective Simulators		Cross wind & Runway slope		
No air crew manual		Disengagement of the BETA loop & influence of Land Status Time Out		
Wind Component Table		GCS Manning		
Interactive Electronic Technical Publication				
No CAME/CAMO				

 Table 4. Summary of factors in the WK050 accident as presented in the accident report (Defence Safety Authority 2019).

Note: UAV (Uncrewed Aerial Vehicle), GSC (Ground Station Crew), CAME (Continuing Airworthiness Management Exposition), CAMO (Continuing Airworthiness Management Organisation). led to the situation and the decision to cut the engine, which shows the importance of viewing the whole system. In this case, organisational influences such as the reference materials and training provided contributed to the accident. There were two Flight Reference Cards (FRCs) that were considered relevant and for both reference cards, the immediate action was engine cut. However, both cards lacked the requirement to check that the UAV was in free roll before taking this action. It was suggested that the FRCs were missing vital drills preceding the action to cut the engine, which may have avoided this accident. Another contributory factor identified was training simulators used as they lacked different failure and alert scenarios, which could have given the pilots experience in dealing with this abnormal scenario of no ground contact being registered and the deviation onto the grass. The role of each theme in decision-making in HMTs model developed previously will be shown using this case study to the interconnections between the themes within the decision-making in HMT model, showing the relevance of these interconnections in decision-making in HMTs.

# 4.2. Decision support system

In this case, the GCS crew had Air Vehicle Display Computers (AVDC) for each of the pilots and client displays showing the live video feed from the camera mounted at the back of the UAV. The camera on the UAV is designed for reconnaissance missions but is stowed away and turned round to face rearwards during the final stage of landing to protect it. The UAV's flight modes had been displayed throughout the incident on the AVDC, these modes were being monitored and read out by Pilot 1 during the landing sequence. Pilot 2 was monitoring the Warnings Cautions Advisories for the landing and the video feed from the



**Figure 3.** The Decision-Making in HMT model showing the themes involved in the Watchkeeper accident and the interconnections between these factors for this case study. Note: Uncrewed Aerial Vehicle (UAV), Air Vehicle Display Computer (AVDC), Ground Control Station (GCS), Automatic Take Off and Landing System (ATOLS), Air Traffic Control (ATC) and Situation Awareness (SA). Colour code: black connections relate to casual factors and the light grey connections relate to contributory factor.

camera now facing rearwards. After the UAV failed to register ground contact when it landed long of its touch down point, it auto aborted the landing attempt giving an autoabort alert. The Automatic Take-Off and Landing System's (ATOLS) auto-abort caption on the AVDC was illuminated red. However, there was no audio alert associated with the caption and the caption had minimal visible indication on the AVDC display. Although, several other visual indications on the AVDC showed that the UAV was attempting to land again such as, flight mode, artificial horizon indicator, altitude readout and rate of climb value. However, in the high workload and stress environment, the illuminated auto-abort caption and other visual indicators on the AVDC were not spotted by the GCS crew.

It has been demonstrated that poor interface design can lead to operators losing SA which then affects their ability to make decisions (Wahlström et al. 2015). In this case, the poor interface design of the AVDC meant that the pilots did not recognise the auto-abort alert, which would have informed them that the UAV was going to attempt another landing. It was suggested that warnings and cautions need to be made more prominent on the AVDC display, so pilots are less likely to miss the alerts in these high stress and workload situations. It was also suggested that the video feed was more compelling to the GCS crew than the AVDC display. Their attention was focused on the video feed, and it showed a full screen of grass making it look like the UAV had landed. Due to the positioning of the camera during landing (facing the rear of the UAV), even when the UAV began to climb into the air again it looked as though it was still close to the ground from the grass displayed on the feed. These factors meant that the GCS crew lost SA and incorrectly believed that they were dealing with a UAV which had landed but had deviated from the centreline and off the runway onto the grass. This led to pilot 1 deciding to cut the UAV's engine and the rest of the GCS crew who had also lost SA were unable to offer an alternative option.

# 4.3. Trust

In this case, the GCS crew relied more upon the video feed suggesting that they may have had a greater level of trust in it than the AVDC display even though it gave information on the UAV's flight mode and its decision to auto-abort the landing. It has been found that communicating intent is a part of trust of forming trust, in this case, the communication between the pilot and the UAV system was ineffective. Although the AVDC display informed the pilot of the changing landing modes and the auto-abort, due to the poor user interface this was not an effective way to communicate this to the pilot. If the usability of the user interface of the AVDC display was improved, giving a better visual indication of the auto-abort or adding an audio alert it would allow the GCS crew to have greater levels of trust in it.

The insufficient simulator training in emergency handling scenarios would also have affected the GCS crew's learnt trust, which would have been lower due to their limited experience with these situations. This suggests that training with a DSS such as the AVDC display is an important factor in operators forming appropriate levels of trust. In this case, the GCS crew were unable to predict the behaviour of the UAV, due to the unique scenario that they had no prior experience. This inability to anticipate the system behaviour may have also been due to their lack of understanding of the UAV's ATOLS. This lack of understanding could potentially have reduced their level of trust in it also leading to reduced SA.

#### 4.4. Transparency

The transparency of the system affected how the GCS crew dealt with the emergency, as they lacked knowledge of how the ATOLS worked. Specifically in this case, they lacked knowledge of the post ground contact sequence for the system, which may have affected their ability to diagnose the situation. An electronic document called the Interactive Electronic Technical Publication (IETP) is used to support the GCS crew, it contains technical, safety and maintenance about the Uncrewed Air System (UAS). However, the IETP was difficult to use, even an experienced instructor found it challenging to locate information within it on a specific part of the UAV's system. Although this was not a contributory factor in this accident, it affected the GCS crew's understanding of the UAV's systems and their ability to work with the UAV. However, it also highlighted the need for the GCS crew to have an overview of the systems without the in-depth technical information provided in the IETP, so they have a basic understanding of the UAV's functionality. If the GCS crew had more knowledge about the ATOLS and how it worked, they may have anticipated the auto-abort alert.

Therefore, it was suggested the GCS crews need a dedicated aircrew manual that would allow them to better deal with emergencies and enhance their understanding of the system. An aircrew manual would increase the transparency of the systems to the operators and allow them to make higher quality decisions, as they would have a greater understanding of the system. The video feed from the UAV also affected the transparency of the UAV to the crew. Due to its positioning behind the landing gear on the UAV the video appeared to show that the UAV had landed due to footage of the grass and that it was stationary. This incorrect mental model that the UAV had actually landed was also reinforced by the communications from air traffic control who transmitted the UAV had touched down and that it was right of the centreline.

#### 4.5. Teams

In this case, the HMT was built up of five personnel in the GCS and the UAV. The five personnel were: the first pilot, the second pilot, the Aircrew Instructor (AI), the spare pilot and the Flight Execution Log Author (FELA). As the GCS is a small working environment and the pilots were only accustomed to being in the GCS with three people (the two pilots and their AI) having 5 personnel in the GCS made it feel cramped and increased the amount of chatter. It was suggested that the amount of talking increased the pilot's workload (Defence Safety Authority 2019). For example, due to the small environment, the FELA had to obtain the information they required by asking the pilots as they could not see it on their screens. It was also found by the pilots that it was difficult to establish who was talking and whether they were giving an instruction or information, due to the audio quality on the headset and the number of people (Defence Safety Authority 2019). At one point in the incident, after pilot 1 said abort and engine cut, the spare pilot said cut engine also. However, it was not clear to the pilots whether it was the AI or spare pilot who said this as they were sitting behind them in the GCS (Defence Safety Authority 2019).

It was also found that the situation encountered, the UAV departing from the runway onto the grass and an auto-abort alert with the video feed, could not be replicated in the simulator environment (Defence Safety Authority 2019). It was suggested that more

representative simulators were needed, that prepared pilots for a greater number of failures and alerts that they might experience operating the UAV (Defence Safety Authority 2019). This would improve the GCS crew's ability to diagnose failures and gain experience using the appropriate emergency handling procedures.

# 4.6. Task/role allocation

In this case, one of the problems was the conflicting decisions made by pilot 1 and the UAV's ATOLS. The UAV's system had decided to attempt another landing as it had not registered ground contact. Whereas pilot one decided to cut the engine, as he believed that the UAV had landed on the grass and there were risks to life and equipment associated with the UAV deviating off the runway. It was also suggested in the briefing that pilot 1 should take ownership of the flight, this suggestion was made by the AI. This may have been why pilot 1 did not seek approval from the AI before he decided to cut the engine.

Emergency handling of this scenario was also found to be a contributory factor in the accident (Defence Safety Authority 2019). There were no standardized scanning techniques employed during the landing approach to ensure that SA is maintained, which may have assisted the GCS crew in handling this emergency. The pilots' lack of simulator training for system failure or alerts would have affected their ability to know what actions may be suitable in that scenario and what cues they might look for. If they had experienced a situation where the UAV had deviated off the runway onto the grass and given an auto-abort alert in the simulator, they may have given more attention to monitoring the AVDC than the video feed. Therefore, they may have checked the flight mode on the AVDC to check that the UAV had landed before taking any emergency actions.

# 4.7. Accountability

Table 4 shows the different factors involved in the accident, which shows the importance of viewing the whole system when looking at accountability, as there may be factors at different levels. In this case, many factors were outside of the GCS crew's control. For example, the crosswind may have contributed to the UAV leaving the runway and the slope of the runway would have exacerbated the effect of the crosswind on the UAV. The GCS crew's lack of knowledge of the UAV's ATOLS may have also contributed to them missing the auto-abort alert as they did not have an aircrew manual.

Although the cause of the accident in the accident report was said to be pilot 1 cutting the UAV's engine. It was found that there were wider system influences (Table 4) which caused the GCS crew to lose their SA, such as the poor interface of the AVDC which did not make the auto-abort alert clear to the pilots (Defence Safety Authority 2019). The video feed from the UAV also contributed to the accident and affected the transparency of the situation, as it appeared that the UAV had landed from the video feed. As discussed previously if a human operator does not have full control over a system and lacks knowledge of how that system operates it raises the question of whether they are accountable for any incidents or accidents that occur (Simmler and Frischknecht 2021; Taylor and De Leeuw 2021). In this case, it was not clear to the pilots that the UAV had not sensed ground contact and that an auto-abort alert had occurred on the DSS (the AVDC). Therefore, the pilots

were not aware that the UAV was going to conduct a go-around to attempt another landing, so there was no need to take emergency action to cut the engine.

#### 4.8. Situation awareness

One of the causal factors in this accident was the loss of SA by the GCS crew, as they believed that the UAV had deviated from the runway and had landed on the grass. When the UAV had actually failed to detect ground contact and the system had auto aborted the landing attempt and was about to attempt another landing. This misdiagnosis of the situation led pilot 1 to decide to manually abort the landing attempt but this was four seconds after the auto-abort was engaged. Two seconds later, pilot 1 then decided to cut the UAV's engine causing it to crash. It was found that the poor user interface of the AVDC caused the pilot to lose their SA as there was no audio alert when the UAV went into a land status timeout (no ground contact established) and then to an auto-abort. The caption on the AVDC gave minimal visible indication to the pilots which allowed them to lose awareness of what flight mode the UAV was in which turned out to be crucial in this accident. Pilot 1 may have then realised that the UAV was making another landing attempt and other members of the GCS crew may have also realised this and may have been able to intervene.

In this case, the camera footage also affected their SA, it has been suggested that visual and auditory feedback may be useful in the operation of MASS to allow remote operators to maintain their SA (Mackinnon et al. 2015). However, this case shows that these feedbacks must be implemented carefully as they can potentially mislead operators if they are not combined appropriately with user interfaces. Although in this case, the camera's main function was not as a decision aid it was used by the pilots during the landing, other feedback channels may also need to be considered in certain scenarios and potentially turned off to avoid conflicting situations. It may be necessary to train operators when it is appropriate to use such features as support systems and when they should be ignored. The video feed was more compelling to the GCS crew when they were determining what had occurred than the AVDC display, which contained important information such as the flight mode. In this case, it may have been more appropriate for the camera to have been switched off during landing to prevent it from causing any loss of SA.

#### 5. Summary and conclusions

The decision-making process in HMTs needs to be investigated further to explore how humans and autonomous systems can work cooperatively and effectively together. Many Human Factors challenges have been identified in the remote operation of MASS due to the nature of the human's role changing to a supervisory one. Monitoring will provide challenges as the effectiveness of the automation will depend on the human's reliance on it and the cognitive workload experienced by the human operators. There are also challenges in supporting communication and cooperation within a HMT.

A systematic review of the literature into HMT revealed seven themes: DSSs, trust, transparency, teams, task/role allocation, accountability and situation awareness. It will be important to consider how each of these themes influences decision-making within HMTs. Design recommendations for MASS have been suggested from the review of the HMT

literature. For MASS it will be necessary to consider how MASS DSSs can be designed to help operators maintain their SA and support communication and understanding within the HMT so that operators are able to make informed decisions. It has also been identified that trust will affect the operator's reliance on the automated system and there may be difficulties in the formation of trust for autonomous systems which hide their system processes from operators and the operators are no longer involved in the decision-making process. It was found that operators will need experience working with the automated system and an understanding of the system's capabilities. It will be important to consider how MASS operators are trained to give them a level of understanding and experience, to support appropriate levels of trust being formed. Another consideration for the design of MASS systems will be the level of system transparency used, to give the operators enough information to make informed decision and to help develop appropriate levels of trust, by giving the operators a greater awareness of the system's operation.

Another issue identified was how accountability will be determined as an autonomous system would be making decisions without the human's input, which may make it unclear where the human responsibilities lie. The MASS operator's roles and responsibilities will need to be clearly defined for that MASS and the levels of automation being used, so the operator understands their responsibilities within the HMT. It will also be necessary to consider the levels of automation that are used for the MASS systems depending on the levels of risks associated with the systems, to ensure that the operator is still involved in the decision-making process and could control the system in the event of a failure. An important design consideration for MASS will be how communication between the operator and MASS system is established to give the operator an awareness of what their automated teammate is doing and to ensure they have the relevant information for their task. As the decision-making will be shared in the MASS HMT, it will be important to consider how to develop and support a shared mental model to allow for effective teamwork. Supporting the MASS operator's SA will be a key factor in their ability to make appropriate decisions, so what information is given to the operator and how it is displayed to them should be considered when designing MASS systems.

It has been shown that there are interconnections between some of these themes identified, which has been shown through the development of a Network Model for decision-making in HMT. A UAV case study was used to validate the Network Model because the operation of UAVs shares some similarities with operating MASS. The application of the UAV case study to the proposed Network Model for decision-making in HMT demonstrates its utility to capture the underlying considerations required in the future design and consideration of UAV usage and other uncrewed systems operating from RCCSs. The case study analysis showed how each of the themes in the model are applicable to highly automated UAVs and other highly automated unmanned systems such as uncrewed MASS, which are also predominantly monitored by operators at RCCs. The decision-making in HMT model is intended to provide a basis for discussion and requires further refinement as research into this area progresses.

The design of MASS DSSs will need to be further investigated to understand how the information should be displayed to operators and what information can be displayed without overloading the MASS operator. Methods such as CTA and HTA could be used to design MASS DSSs as the results of these methods can be used to identify sources of errors which could then be mitigated in the systems design and usability assessments. Accountability in HMTs will require further investigation using system-based approaches to investigate the wider influences on the MASS HMT effecting their safe operation. Adaptive automation could also be used in the design of MASS systems and could be further investigated to determine what tasks in MASS systems could benefit from this approach. Further work is also suggested to investigate how a MASS operator's SA can be supported investigating what types of information is now required given they are no longer on board the ship. It will be necessary to investigate further how each of these seven themes could affect the HMT decision-making process for MASS operation to understand what further design requirements could be made for MASS systems to support operators' decision-making.

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# Appendix A

The papers included in the in this review and the themes identified in each of these papers.

Author	Date	Title	Key findings	Theme(s) identified
Ahvenjärvi, S.	2016	The human element and autonomous ships	Discussed the strength and limitations of using autonomous ships and how they will impact the human element.	Decision Support Systems; Situation Awareness
Barnes, M., Chen, J., Hill, S.	2017	Humans and Autonomy: Implications of Shared Decision- Making for Military Operations	Reviewed research on shared decision-making between humans supervising intelligent nonhuman agents and found five key areas: control issues, transparency and trust issues, shared knowledge structures, language processing software and interface requirements.	Decision Support Systems; Trust; Transparency
Barnes, M., Chen, J., Schaefer, K., E., Giammanco, C., and Hill, S.	2017	Five Requisites for Human-Agent Decision Sharing in Military Environments	Found five key requirements for effective human agent decision- making: a direct link between the operator and a supervisory agent, interface transparency, appropriate trust, cognitive architectures to infer intent, and common language between humans and agents.	Decision Support Systems; Trust, Transparency; Teams
Benzmüller, C., and Lomfeld, B.	2020	Reasonable machines: A research manifesto	Discussed the legal and ethical issues surrounding the use of intelligent autonomous systems and the lack of transparency, accountability and governance of hidden autonomous system's processes.	Accountability
Boy, G. A.,	2017	The Handbook of Human-Machine Interaction: A Human-Centered Design Approach		Trust; Teams; Accountability
Bruemmer, D. J., Marble, J. L., and Dudenhoeffer, D. D.	2002	Mutual initiative in human-machine teams.	Investigated human-machine teams where each team member had the ability to assume initiative within a task, it showed that not only does the human need to be able to understand and predict the machine teammate's performance but the machine teammate needs also to be able to understand their human teammate.	Task/Role Allocation; Teams
Chung, Y. H., Yoon, W. C. and Min, D.	2009	A model-based framework for the analysis of team communication in nuclear power plants	Proposed an extended communications analysis framework for human- machine working environments referred to the human-human- system communication analysis framework to model the changes in team communication that are occurring in advanced system that are operated by human-machine teams. The framework was then applied to conventional and advance main control rooms for nuclear power plants to investigate the changes in the communication characteristics.	Teams

Cook, M. B., and Smallman H. S.	2013	Human-centered command and control of future autonomous systems	Interviews were conducted with unmanned systems experts on supervisory monitoring and intervention tasks, which showed that current tasks needs are not met by current human-machine interfaces and tools and highlighted the current issues that need to be solved in the design of future systems.	Decision Support Systems
de Laat, P.	2017	Big data and algorithmic decision-making: can transparency restore accountability?	Discussed how full transparency of decision-making algorithms could be used to restore accountability.	Transparency; Accountability
Demir, M. and McNeese, N.	2015	The Role of Recognition Primed Decision Making in Human-Automation (H-A) Teaming	Discussed how the Recognition Primed Decision Making model can help to make decisions when communicating and coordinating with a machine teammate in a human-machine team and applied the model to a simulated to human-machine tasks in UAV operation.	Teams; Situation Awareness
Dreyer L. O., Oltedal, H. A.	2019	Safety Challenges for Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships: A Systematic Review	A systematic literature review of the safety challenges of Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships was conducted which identified three main categories: technological, human factors and procedural challenges.	Situation Awareness
Endsley, M. R.	1995	Toward a Theory of Situation Awareness in Dynamic Systems	Presented a theoretical model of situational awareness consisting of three levels, perception of the elements in the environment, comprehension of the situation and projection of future status and discussed situation awareness links to decision making and performance and the impact on design features.	Situation Awareness
Endsley, M. R., and Kaber, D. B.	1999	Level of automation effects on performance, situation awareness and workload in a dynamic control task	Presented a level of automation taxonomy, consisting of ten levels that could be applicable to a wide range of cognitive and psychomotor tasks requiring real time control. The impact of different levels of automation where also assessed using a computer-based dynamic control task. It was found that workload was lower and situation awareness was higher when the decision-making portion of the task was automated and removal of the operator from task implementation had detrimental effects on performance recovery if there was an automated system failure.	Situation Awareness
Endsley, M. R., and Kiris, E.	1995	The Out-of-the-Loop Performance Problem and Level of Control in Automation.	It was found that the level of control that an operator of an automated navigation system had affected their situational awareness, when operators had a low level of control of the system, they had low situational awareness and their decision time increased.	Situation Awareness

Fleischmann, K. R., and Wallace, W. A.	2005	A covenant with transparency: Opening the black box of models	Discussed the ethical implications of using models for decision-making and decision support models and the how transparency is required to show how these models work and allow users to make informed decisions.	Decision Support Systems; Trust; Transparency
Нос, Ј.	2000	From human–machine interaction to human–machine cooperation	A conceptual framework was proposed to study human-machine cooperation in highly dynamic situations, to aid in the design of cooperative machines.	Trust; Task/Role Allocation
Hoc, J.	2001	Towards a cognitive approach to human–machine cooperation in dynamic situations	Reviewed literature on human-machine cooperation to extend individual cognitive architecture to cooperation is small teams in highly dynamic situations.	Trust; Task/Role Allocation
Hoff, K., and Bashir, M.	2015	Trust in Automation: Integrating Empirical Evidence on Factors That Influence Trust.	Conducted a systematic literature review on trust in automation, only papers that reported the results of studies that involved humans interacting with automated system to achieve a goal. Three layers of variability of human-automation were identified: dispositional trust, situational trust and learned trust and various design recommendations were proposed.	Trust; Transparency
Ishowo-Oloko, F., Bonnefon, J., Soroye, Z., Crandall, J., Rahwan, I., and Rahwan, T.	2019	Behavioural evidence for a transparency– efficiency tradeoff in human–machine cooperation	Found that robots elicited better cooperation with a human teammate but only when the human was incorrectly informed, they were working with another human teammate.	Transparency
Johnson, M., J., Bradshaw, M., Hoffman, R. R., Feltovich, P. J., and Woods, D. D.	2014	Seven Cardinal Virtues of Human-Machine Teamwork: Examples from the DARPA Robotic Challenge	Discussed seven teamwork principles using the lessons learnt from participating in the US Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency Robotics Challenge to show how they apply to human-machine teamwork.	Teams
Karvonen, H., and Martio, J.	2019	Human Factors Issues in Maritime Autonomous Surface Ship Systems Development	The paper discussed the issues associated with the operation of Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships, such as automation awareness, trust, cognitive workload and technology acceptance. A case study was presented on the development of a collision avoidance system suing a ship-handling simulator and different design implication were discussed.	Trust; Task/Role Allocation; Situation Awareness
Knisely, B. M., Joyner, J. S., Rutkowski, A. M., Wong, M., Barksdale, S., Hotham, H., Kharod, K., and Vaughn-Cooke, M.	2020	A cognitive decomposition to empirically study human performance in control room environments	Demonstrated that Cognitive Task Analysis combined with Bloom's taxonomy for describing a tasks cognitive complexity was suitable for an unmanned aerial vehicle control room task. It was also found that in an unmanned aerial vehicle control room monitoring tasks with higher levels of cognitive complexity led to results of higher levels of cognitive workload in participants.	Decision Support Systems

Lee, J. D., and Moray, N.	1992	Trust, control strategies and allocation of function in human-machine systems	Investigated the relationship between the change in operator's control strategy and trust when interacting with a semi-automatic pasteurisation plant. It was found that both system performance and the occurrence of faults effected the participants' subjective ratings of trust and their decision to use the manual controls or automated controller was also affected by their confidence in their manual capabilities.	Trust
Lee, J. D., and Moray, N.	1994	Trust, self-confidence, and operators' adaptation to automation	Investigated the relationship between trust in automatic controllers, self-confidence in manual capabilities and the use of automatic controllers in the operation of a simulated semi-automatic pasteurisation plant. It was found that the automation was used when the operator's trust exceeded their level of self-confidence and the reverse in the case of manual control. It was suggested that supervisory control systems should be designed to ensure that operators form an appropriate level of reliance which will be affected by their levels of trust and self confidence in their manual control.	Trust
Lee, J. D., and See, K. A.,	2004	Trust in Automation: Designing for Appropriate Reliance	Discussed how automated systems can be designed to allow humans to develop appropriate levels of trust in them and how trust may influence a human's level of reliance on automated systems.	Trust
Lemieux, V. L. and Dang, T.	2013	Building accountability for decision-making into cognitive systems	Developed a theoretical framework for engineering accountability into cognitive systems and demonstrated its application to an interactive visual dashboard for income analytics.	Decision Support Systems; Accountability
Loh, W., and Loh Sombetzki, J.	2017	Autonomy and responsibility in hybrid systems: The example of autonomous cars.	Discussed how responsibility could be defined in automated systems that use higher levels of automation, using the example of an automated vehicle where there is a distribution of responsibility between the driver and system.	Accountability
Lyons, J. B., Wynne, K. T., Mahoney, S., and Roebke, M. A.,	2019	Chapter 6 - Trust and Human-Machine Teaming: A Qualitative Study	Investigated participants trust in intelligent technologies by asking them to describe the reasons they trusted or did not trust an intelligent technology of their choice and it was found that the reliability and predictability of the technology was the most noted in their responses.	Trust; Teams
Mackinnon, S. N., Man, Y., Lundh, M., and Porathe, T.	2015	Command and control of unmanned vessels: Keeping shore based operators in-the-loop	Investigated operator situational awareness in a simulated shore- based control centre and it was found that participants lacked a sense of presence with the lack of visual and auditory feedback.	Situation Awareness

Madni, A. M., and Madni, C. C.	2018	Architectural Framework for Exploring Adaptive Human- Machine Teaming Options in Simulated Dynamic Environments	Presented an architectural framework to conceptualise, design and evaluate adaptive human-machine teaming.	Decision Support System; Task/ Role Allocation;
Mallam, S. C., Nazir, S., and Sharma, A.	2020	The human element in future Maritime Operations – perceived impact of autonomous shipping	Subject Matter Experts were interviewed about the current and potential future impacts of autonomous ships and four main themes were identified: trust, awareness and understanding, control and training and organisation of work.	Decision Support System; Trust; Transparency
Matthews, G., Reinerman- Jones, L. E., Barber, D. J., Teo, G., Wohleber, R. W., Lin, J., and Panganiban, A. R.	2016	Resilient autonomous systems: Challenges and solutions	Identified various challenges associated for human-machine teams such as cognitive demands, trust and operator self-regulation and highlighted that operator training and selection and designing systems to signal capabilities and intent to the operator could help to overcome these issues.	Trust; Transparency; Teams
Matthews, G., Lin, J., A. R. Panganiban, A. R., and Long, M. D.	2020	Individual Differences in Trust in Autonomous Robots: Implications for Transparency	Investigated predictors in a human's trust in automation and found that the type of analysis performed by the automation and individual differences may influence the mental model that is activated and that transparency could be configured in a system to promote appropriate trust in the automation.	Trust; Transparency
McCarthy, J. C., Healey, P. G. T., Wright, P. C., and Harrison, M. D.	1997	Accountability of work activity in high- consequence work systems: Human error in context	Developed a framework to generate requirements for high-consequence work systems taking into account the organisational context.	Accountability
McDermott, P. L., Walker, K. E., Dominguez, C. O., Nelson, A., and Kasdaglis, N.	2017	Quenching the thirst for human-machine teaming guidance: Helping military systems acquisition leverage cognitive engineering research	Extracted ten themes from the literature: common ground, observability, predictability, directability, directing attention, exploring the solution space, adaptability, calibrated trust, and suggested a general set of design requirements for military human- machine teams.	Trust; Transparency; Teams
Miller, C., and Parasuraman, R.	2007	Designing for Flexible Interaction Between Humans and Automation: Delegation Interfaces for Supervisory Control	Proposed methods that could be used to support human-machine delegation and developed an architecture for machine-based delegation and showed the application of this framework using a mission planning system for uncrewed aerial vehicles.	Task/Role Allocation
Millot, P. and Pacaux-Lemoine, M.	2013	A common work space for a mutual enrichment of human-machine cooperation and team-situation awareness	Proposed a Common Work Space to enhance human-machine cooperation and enrich team- situation awareness constructs.	Trust; Task/Role Allocation; Situation Awareness

Nahayandi S	2017	Tructod Autonomy	Procented a framowark for formulation	Tructi Transnakar -
Nahavandi, S.	2017	Trusted Autonomy Between Humans and Robots: Toward Human-on-the-Loop in Robotics and Autonomous Systems	Presented a framework for formulating trusted autonomy for human-on- the-loop system designs and discussed how trust could be established in human-machine teams such as better haptic sensors, more intelligent systems and better cyber security.	Trust; Transparency
Navarro, J.	2017	Human–Machine interaction theories and lane departure warnings	Developed a new model of human- machine cooperation for lane departure warning systems and reviewed different human-machine interaction theories and predictions for lane departure warning systems.	Decision Support System; Trust; Task/Role Allocation
Neyedli, H., Hollands, J., and Jamieson, G.	2011	Beyond Identity: Incorporating System Reliability Information Into an Automated Combat Identification System	The study investigated the effects of incorporating system reliability recommendations into an automated combat identification system. Four user displays were developed and tested, it was found that an integrated display format was relied on more appropriately than when separate displays were used.	Transparency
Oduor, K. F., and Wiebe, E. N.	2008	The Effects of Automated Decision Algorithm Modality and Transparency on Reported Trust and Task Performance	Conducted a study to understand the effects of displaying an automated decision aid's algorithm on user personal attachment to the decision aid, their perceived understandability and reliability. It was found that the presenting the user with the decision algorithm improved their perceived understandability.	Transparency
Panganiban, A. R., Matthews, G., and Long, M. D.	2019	Transparency in Autonomous Teammates: Intention to Support as Teaming Information	Investigated the effects of transparency on teaming perceptions, trust, stress and workload and it was found that benevolent communication reduced subjective workload and increased team collaboration and trust was rated higher.	Decision Support System; Trust; Transparency
Parasuraman, R.	2000	Designing automation for human use: Empirical studies and quantitative models	Discussed the design automated systems, what functions should be automated and the level of automation of the system functions and the potential consequences to human performance. Ways to mitigate these performance consequences through the systems design were also suggested.	Task/Role Allocation
Parasuraman, R., and Manzey, D.	2010	Complacency and Bias in Human Use of Automation: An Attentional Integration	Discussed the different factors which can affect automation complacency and bias. It was found that automation complacency occurs when the operator's attention is split between their manual and automated tasks. An integrated model was presented that views complacency and automation bias as resulting from a complex interplay of personal, situational, and automation-related factors and can be used to provide design guidance.	Decision Support System; Trust

Parasuraman, R., and Riley, V.	1997	Humans and Automation: Use, Misuse, Disuse, Abuse	Discussed the factors that influence the use of automated systems, over reliance and under reliance on automated systems, the difficulties in operators monitoring automated systems and suggested how automated systems can be designed to overcome these issues.	Trust; Task/Role Allocation
Parasuraman, R., and Wickens, C. D.	2008	Humans: Still Vital After All These Years of Automation	Reviewed empirical studies of human-automation interaction and their implications for automation design. It was found that applying automation to information analysis and decision-making functions can lead to human performance consequences, so these must be carefully considered when designing automated systems and selecting levels of automation and functions to automate. It was also suggested that adaptive automation could be used to improve an operator's situational awareness and reduce an operator's workload.	Task/Role Allocation
Parasuraman, R. Sheridan, T. B., and Wickens C. D.	2000	A model for types and levels of human interaction with automation	Presented a framework for the appropriate selection of the level of automation for different system functions as well as what types of system function should and should not be automated. The framework was then applied to the automation of future Air Traffic Control systems to show its application.	Task/Role Allocation
Parasuraman, R., Barnes, M., Cosenzo, K., and Mulgund, S.	2007	Adaptive Automation for Human-Robot Teaming in Future Command and Control Systems	Discussed the design of future automation support in military command and control systems for unmanned vehicles and described the results of human-in-the-loop experiments involving an operator supervising multiple uncrewed vehicles whilst conducting multiple tasks. It was found that the results of the experiments suggested that adaptive automation could be used to support human-system performance.	Task/Role Allocation
Ramos, M., Utne, I., and Mosleh, A.	2019	Collision avoidance on maritime autonomous surface ships: Operators' tasks and human failure events	Conducted a hierarchical task analysis for Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships collision avoidance, using a cognitive model to categorise the tasks and then identified possible failure events that could occur and infer design requirements for MASS.	Decision Support System; Situation Awareness
Sadler, G., Battiste, H., Ho, N., Hoffman, L., Jonhson, W., Shively, R., Lyons, J., and Smith, D.	2016	Effects of transparency on pilot trust and agreement in the autonomous constrained flight planner	Conducted a human in the loop study to investigate the effects of transparency on trust in the case of an autonomous constrained flight planner. It was found that the pilots levels of trust increased with the level of transparency and it led to participants with a lower need to verify the automated flight planner's recommendations.	Trust; Transparency

Schaefer, K. E., Straub, E. R., Chen, J. Y. C., Putney, J. and Evans, A. W.	2017	Communicating intent to develop shared situation awareness and engender trust in human-agent teams	Highlighted that as automated systems become more complex and more involved in the discussion making process the relationship between the human and automated system changes and they need to be mutual understanding between them to allow them to cooperate by creating a shared situational awareness.	Decision Support System; Trust; Teams; Situation Awareness
Seeber, I., Waizenegger, L., Seidel, S., Morana, S., Benbasat, I., and Lowry, P. B.	2019	Collaborating with technology-based autonomous agents: Issues and research opportunities.	Identified key issues related to the design of autonomous technology- based agents in terms of human- machine workplace configurations and the potential unintended consequences of using autonomous technology.	Decision Support System; Transparency; Task/Role Allocation
Simmler, M., and Frischknecht, R.	2020	A taxonomy of human–machine collaboration: capturing automation and technical autonomy	Introduced a taxonomy of human- machine collaboration based on the level of automation and level of autonomy of a sociotechnical system.	Task/Role Allocation; Accountability
Smith, P., Geddes, N., Beatty, R. and Hayes, C.	2020	Human-Centered Design of Decision Support Systems	Discussed different human-centred design approaches that could be used in the design of decision support systems such as cognitive task analyses, cognitive walkthroughs and work domain analyses. Also discussed the potential issues with operators monitoring automated systems and how they should be considered during system design. Various case studies were also presented to show how human-centred design approaches can be used to design decision support systems.	Decision Support Systems
Stensson, P., and Jansson, A.	2014	Autonomous technology - sources of confusion: a model for explanation and prediction of conceptual shifts	Discussed the contemporary use of autonomy and developed a model combining six sources confusion that impede human authority and autonomy.	Task/Role Allocation
Taylor, S. M., and De Leeuw, M.	2020	Guidance systems: from autonomous directives to legal sensor-bilities	Discussed the legal and ethical issues with autonomous systems where the decision-making is no longer with the operator and the potential issues surrounding accountability in the event of an accident.	Decision Support Systems; Accountability
Tulli, S., Correia, F., Mascarenhas, Gomes, S., Melo, F. S., and Paiva, A.	2019	Effects of agents' transparency on teamwork	Conducted a study using a collaborative game with mixed human-machine teams to investigate the effects of transparency on teamwork and trust within the human-machine team. It was found that cooperation rates did not increase with the level of transparency, however levels of trust increased with transparency and the strategy of the teammate affected likeability rating and human-likeness of the machine teammate but transparency did not have an affect.	Trust; Transparency; Teams

Tossell, C. C., Kim, B., Donadio, B. de Visser, E. J., Holec, R., and Phillips, E.	2020	Appropriately Representing Military Tasks for Human- Machine Teaming Research	Described how to select the appropriate fidelity of a task and environment when researching human-machine teams in the military domain.	Teams
Vorm, E. S. and Miller, A. D.	2020	Modeling user information needs to enable successful human-machine teams: Designing transparency for autonomous systems	Found four distinct user information preferences: interested and independent, cautious and reluctant, socially influenced and egocentric when interacting with an intelligent financial planning system that gave unexpected or unusual recommendations and showed that giving users some more or less information affected their ability to trust the system.	Trust; Transparency
Voshell, M.,Tittle, J., and Roth, E.	2016	Multi-level human- autonomy teams for distributed mission management	The paper described a conceptual distributed mission management system for a team of airborne manned and unmanned vehicles and discussed a cognitive engineering approach to designing role and task tailored human- machine interfaces.	Decision Support System; Task/ Role Allocation
Wahlström, M., Hakulinen, J., Karvonen, H., and Lindborg, I.	2015	Human Factors Challenges in Unmanned Ship Operations – Insights from Other Domains	Conducted a literature review to identify the the potential human factors challenges and opportunities that unmanned ships being operated from remote control centers could bring in the future by looking at other similar domains such as aviation, automated vehicles, military and space.	Decision Support System; Situation Awareness
Walliser, J. C., de Visser, E. J., Wiese, E. and Shaw, T. H.	2019	Team Structure and Team Building Improve Human– Machine Teaming With Autonomous Agents	Investigated human-machine teaming by using human-human teams as a comparison and varying team structure and team building and it was found that team building interventions led to improvements in teamwork and the team structure affected behaviour not performance.	Teams
Warren, A., and Hilas, A.	2020	Friend or frenemy? The role of trust in human-machine teaming and lethal autonomous weapons systems	Discussed the boundary between human-machine teaming and lethal autonomous weapons systems and whether such systems could be trusted and the potential security, legal and ethical issues surrounding the use of these systems.	Trust; Accountability
Westin, C., Borst, C., and Hilbur, B.	2016	Automation Transparency and Personalized Decision Support: Air Traffic Controller Interaction with a Resolution Advisory System	The effect of transparency on DSSs for air traffic controllers was investigated to understand why the recommendations had been rejected in the MUFASA project. Although one DSS was perceived as being more transparent than the other, transparency of the DSSs did not affect the controller's acceptance rate, this suggests other factors may be involved.	Decision Support System; Transparency

Wickens, C. D. 200	Situation Awareness: Review of Mica Endsley's 1995 Articles on Situation Awareness Theory and Measurement	Reviewed and integrated literature on situational awareness, the findings showed that various areas have been researched: measurement of situation awareness, training, error analysis, system design, prediction and teamwork. It was found that whilst situation was an important construct to the design of automated systems there are still some difficulties when it comes to measuring situation awareness.	Situation Awareness
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