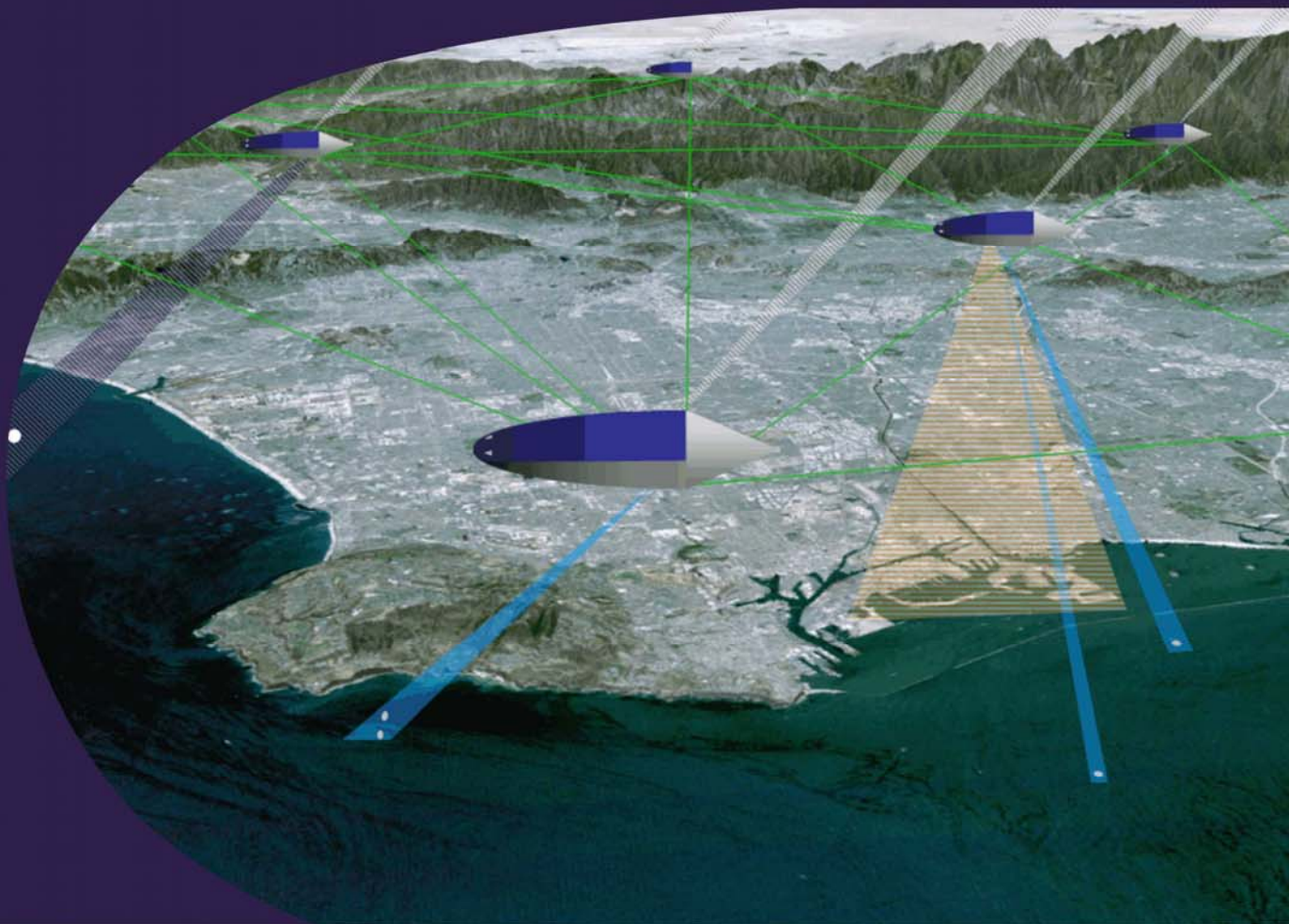


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About the Cover:

This computer generated image of Los Angeles, California shows the San Bernardino Mountains in the background, Los Angeles International Airport on the coast at left, the Rancho Palos Verdes peninsula at center and the Port of Long Beach on the coast at right. Persistent platforms, airships in this case, are shown arrayed at 19km altitude (62,500 feet) as seen from 20km (66,000 feet) over Santa Catalina island. The various imaging, radar, laser and satellite communication capabilities are explained in more detail at Figure 10 and throughout this report.

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