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## **New Army XM1002 TPMP-T Cartridge Design Performance Assessment and Selection Process \***

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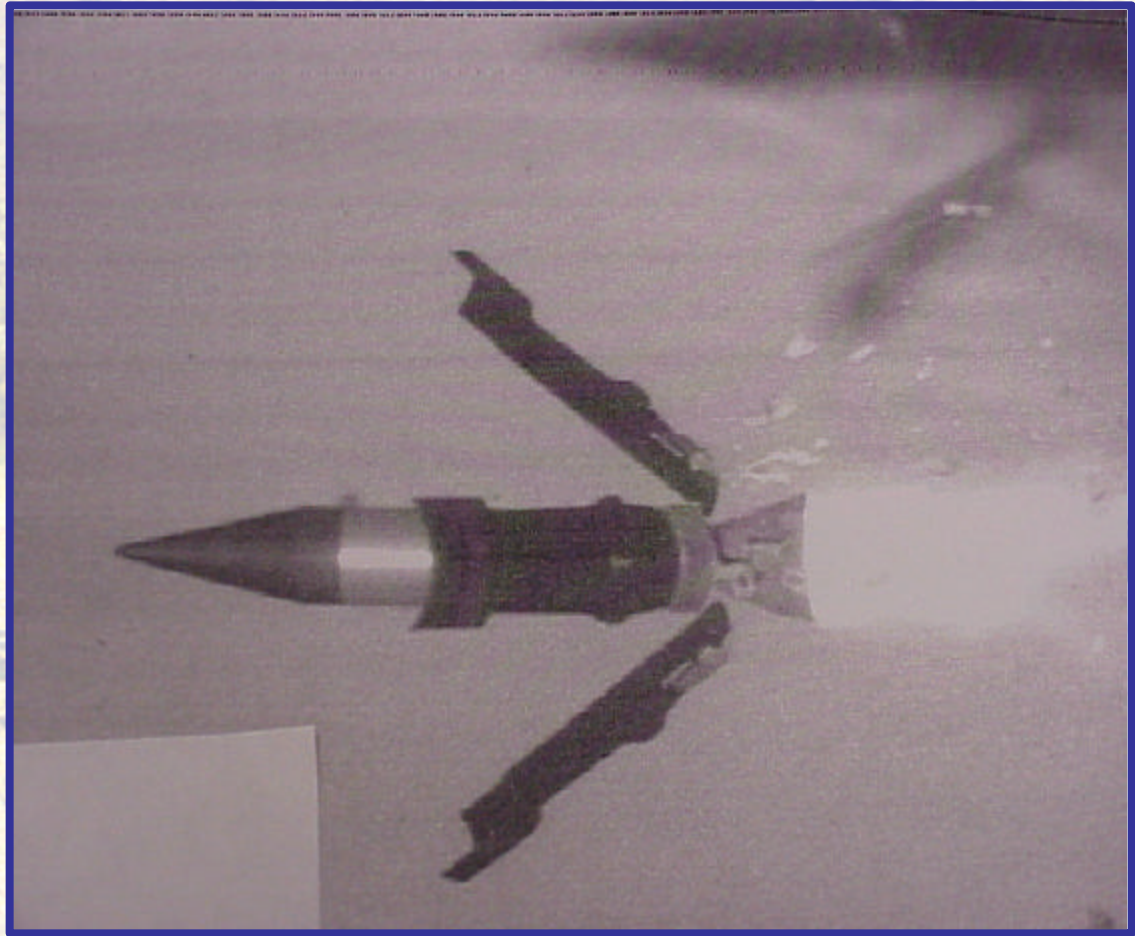


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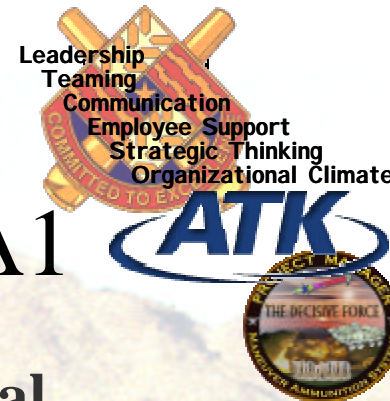
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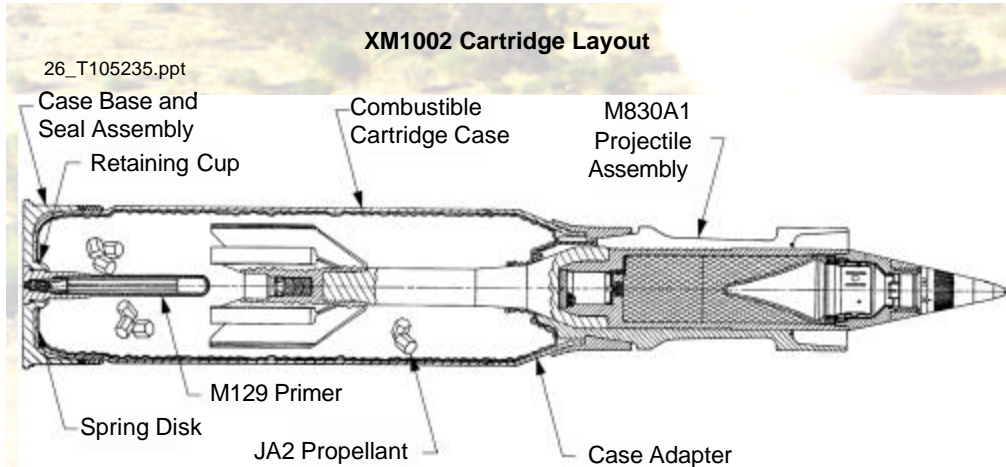
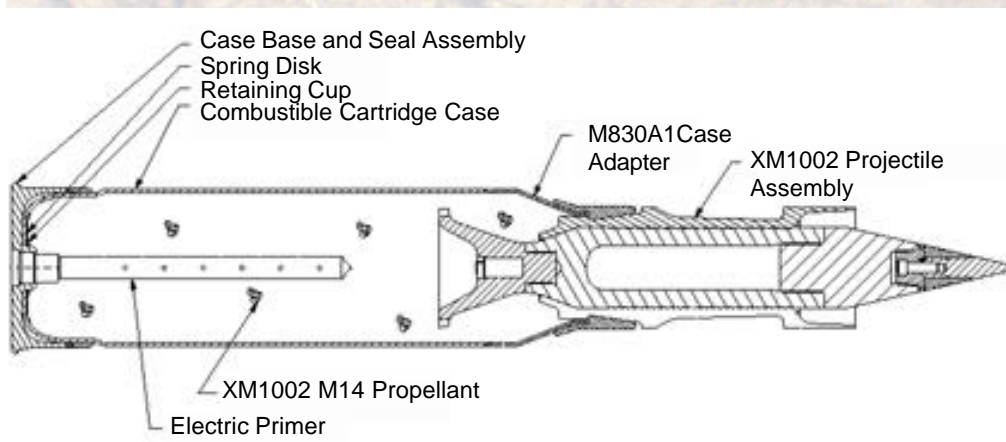
# XM1002 EXITING GUN TUBE



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# XM1002 - Training for M830A1



- **XM1002 External Geometry Identical to M830A1**
- **Weight & CG Location Similar to M830A1**
- **Conical Flare to Stabilize and Drag Down**
- **M14 Propellant to Achieve Cost Objective**
- **Consistent Flight Characteristics (Low TID)**

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**M830A1 Cartridge Layout**



# XM1002 – M830A1 Trainer ORD

## Key Requirements (JUL 98)

- **Max Range 8 KM (10° Gun Elevation)**
- **Dispersion ~ at 3 km**
- **Visual Appearance ~ M830A1**
- **Ballistics Similar to 3000m (Requires FC Solution)**
- **Checking / Setting Capability of Dummy Air / Ground Switch**
- **Tracer Different Color than M865 & Visible To 3000m**
- **Cost Comparable to Current Training Cartridges**
- **Weight(+0/-6 Pounds) Compared to M830A1**
- **Center Of Gravity (+/-3 Inches) Compared to M830A1**

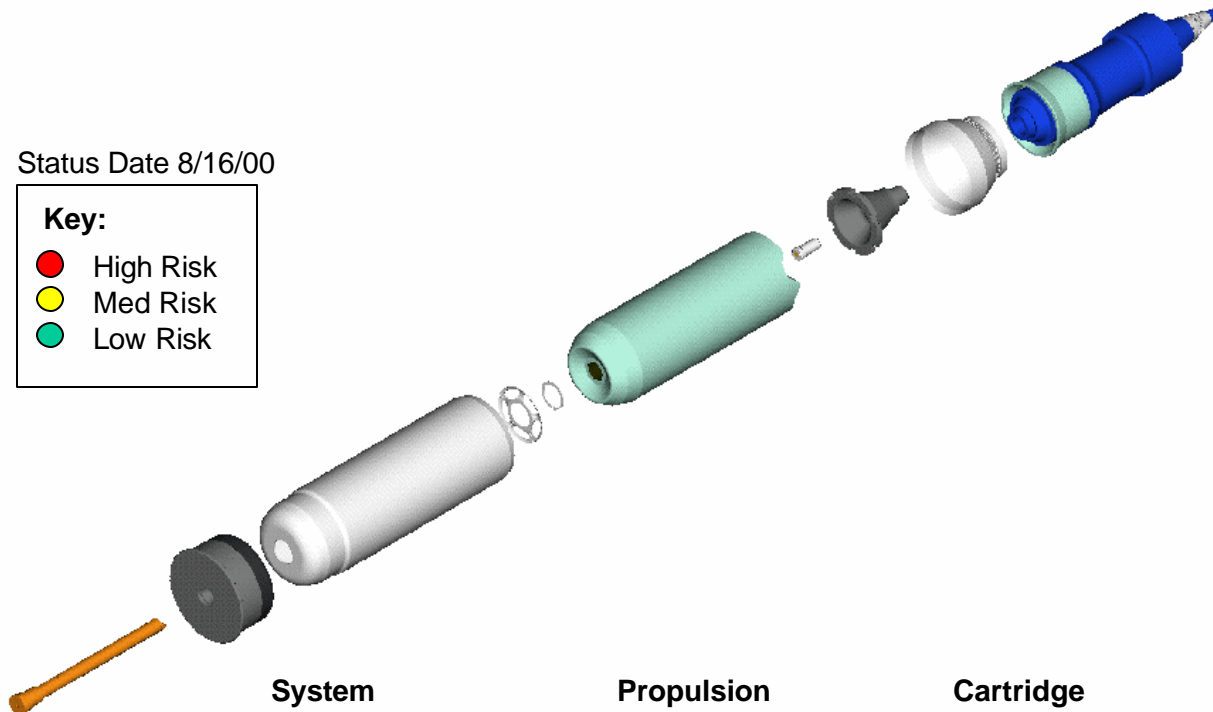


# XM1002 Key Requirements

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**Key:**

- High Risk
- Med Risk
- Low Risk



**System**

- TID
- Max Range
- Strength of Design
- Tracer Color/Visibility
- Crew Survivability
- Tube Service Life
- Hangfire

**Propulsion**

- Muzzle Velocity
- Pressure
- T4 Time
- Negative DP
- Misfire

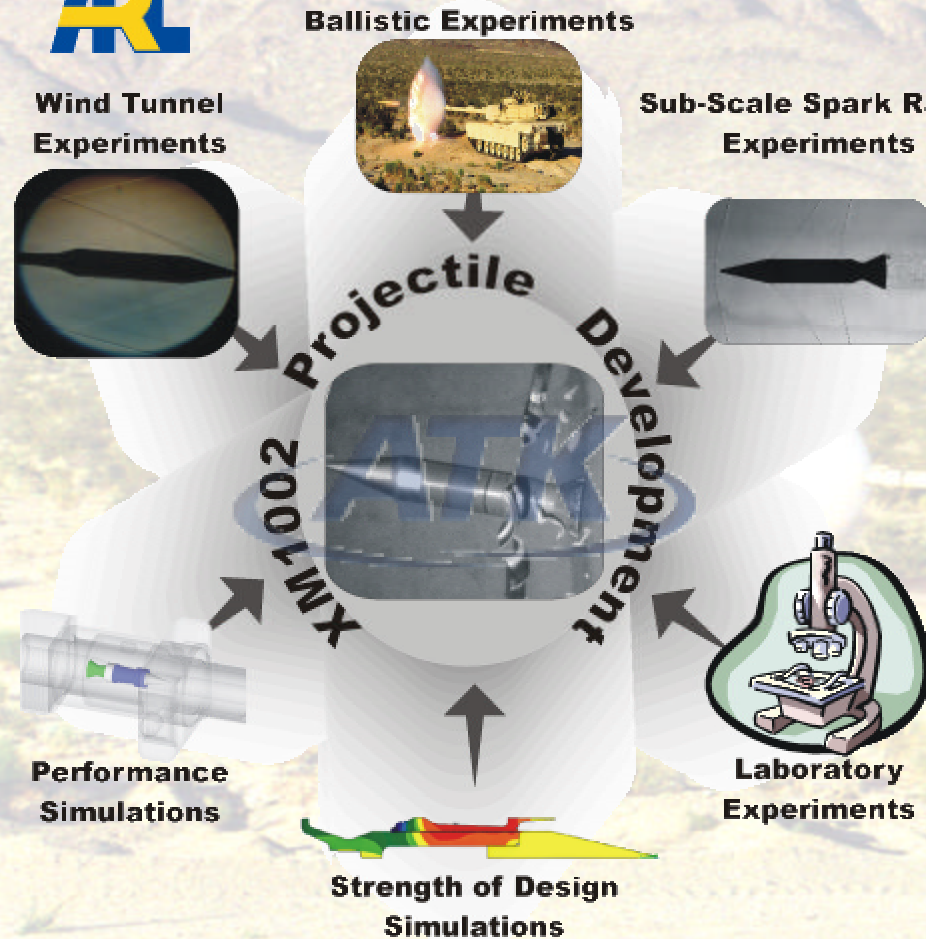
**Cartridge**

- Appearance
- Air Ground Switch
- Weight and CG
- Robustness
- UPC

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# Development Strategy

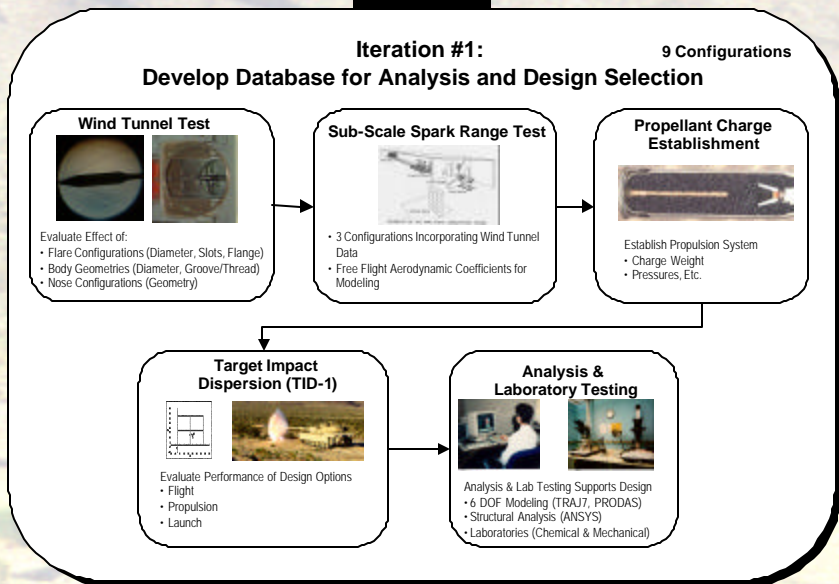


- Low Cost Development
  - Fewer Full Scale Rounds Available for Ballistic Testing
- Required Integrated Approach With More Up Front Experiments and Simulations To Insure Success
  - Subscale Ballistic and Wind Tunnel Experiment
  - Bench Laboratory Experiments
  - Extensive Use of Simulation

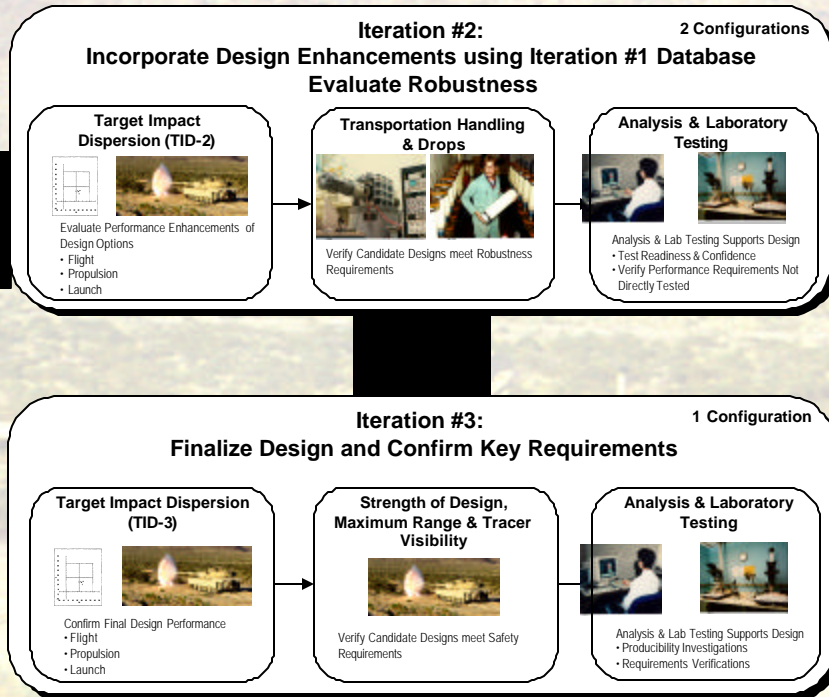




**ATK XM1002 Design**  
Modified TACOM-ARDEC Enhances Structural Margin



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**ATK XM1002 Shoot-Off Design**  
ATK Delivers 210 Cartridges for Shoot-Off Testing & Analysis Confirms Performance & Producibility Requirements Achieved



# XM1002 Approach to Reduce TID

## Gravity Drop:

- Reduce Propellant Variability
- Reduce Time of Flight

## Aerodynamic Jump:

- Increase Stability (Cp Back, CG Forward)
- Reduce Jump Factor, Decrease Transverse MOI
- Reduce Asymmetries

## Sabot Discard:

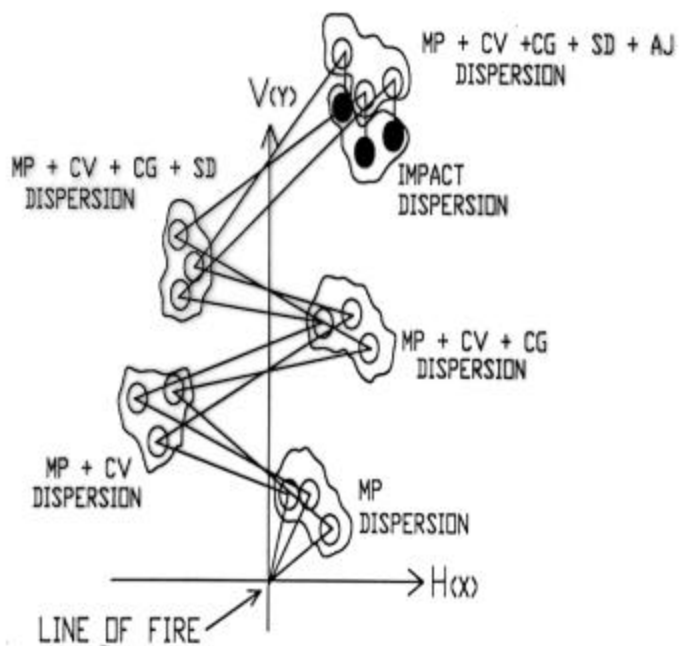
- Move Pivot Near Cp, Reduce Sabot Weight Ratio

## Center of Gravity/Crossing Velocity/Muzzle Pointing Angle

- ARL In-Bore Analysis and Transonic Range Testing



# Jump Variability



$$DISPERSION = MP + CV + CG + SD + AJ + GD + CORRELATIONS$$

$$\sigma^2 = \sigma_{mp}^2 + \sigma_{cv}^2 + \sigma_{cg}^2 + \sigma_{sd}^2 + \sigma_{aj}^2 + \sigma_{gd}^2 + 2\sigma_{cgaaj}$$

- Gravity Drop
- Aerodynamic Jump
- Sabot Discard
- Center of Gravity
- Crossing Velocity
- Muzzle Pointing Angle

**TID = Variability in Jump**



# Major Influences on Jump

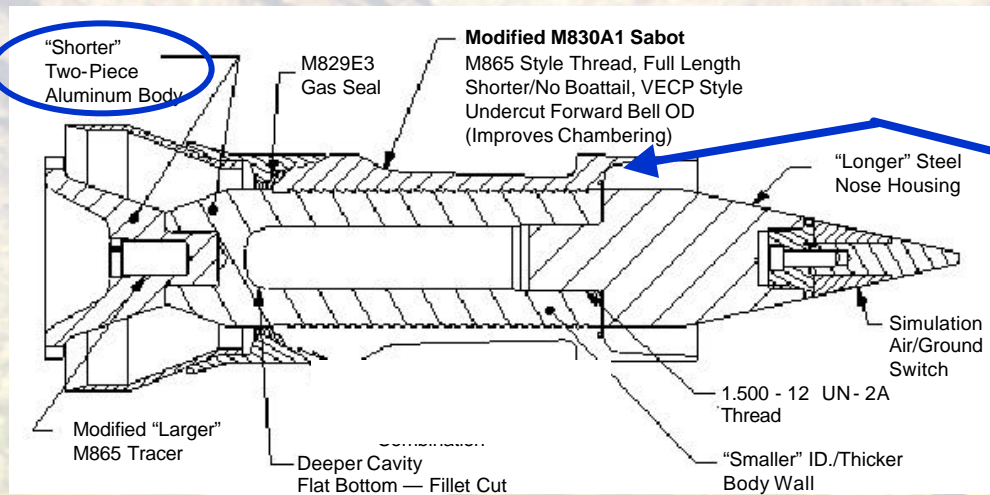


- Gun Motion
- Gun Tube Centerline Shape
- Projectile Structure (Mass Properties, Bourrelet Configuration, Tolerances, etc.)
- Projectile Flight Characteristics
- Propellant (Consistency, Temperature, etc.)



# XM1002 Enhancements

Three Tail Cone Concepts all have "short" 5mm boom.



Threaded Grooves Reduces Cost

**Aerodynamic:**

- Heavy Nose – CG Moves Forward Improving Stability
- Thicker Body & Increased Grooves – Reduces Plastic Deformations
- Stabilizer – Optimize Stability & Jump Factor

**Sabot Discard:**

- Sabot Pivot Near Cp – Reduces Impulse From Sabot Discard
- Truncated Sabot – Reduced Sabot Weight Ration Reduces Impulse
- M829E3 Obturator – Proven Obturation

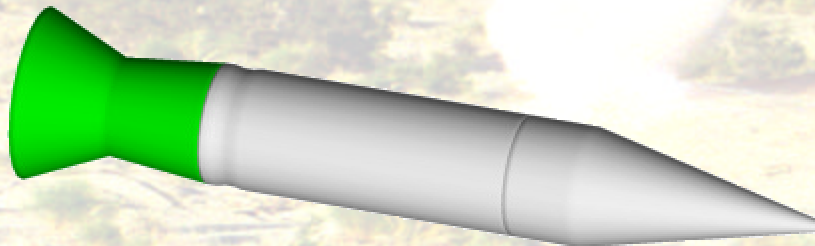
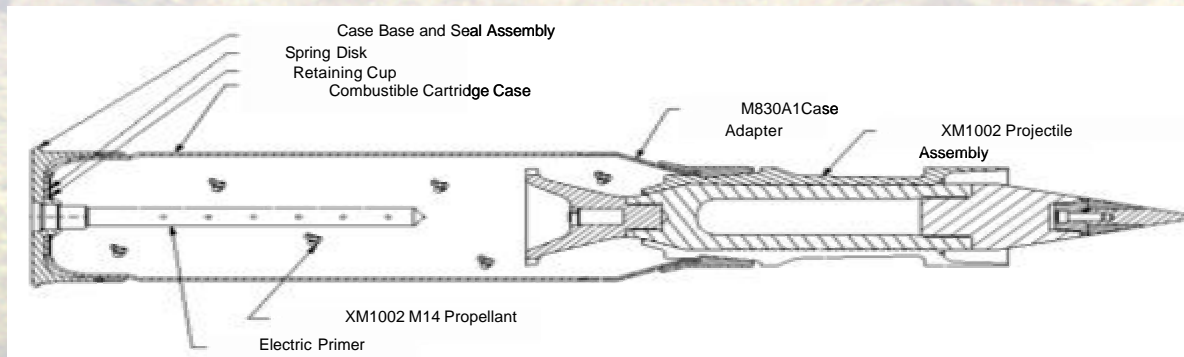


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# XM1002 Cartridge

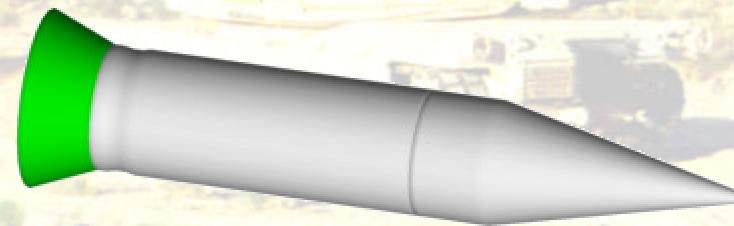
## Training projectile for the M1A1/M1A2 Abrams M256 120-mm Cannon



### *Plan A*

Preliminary Design Concept Utilizes ARDEC Design

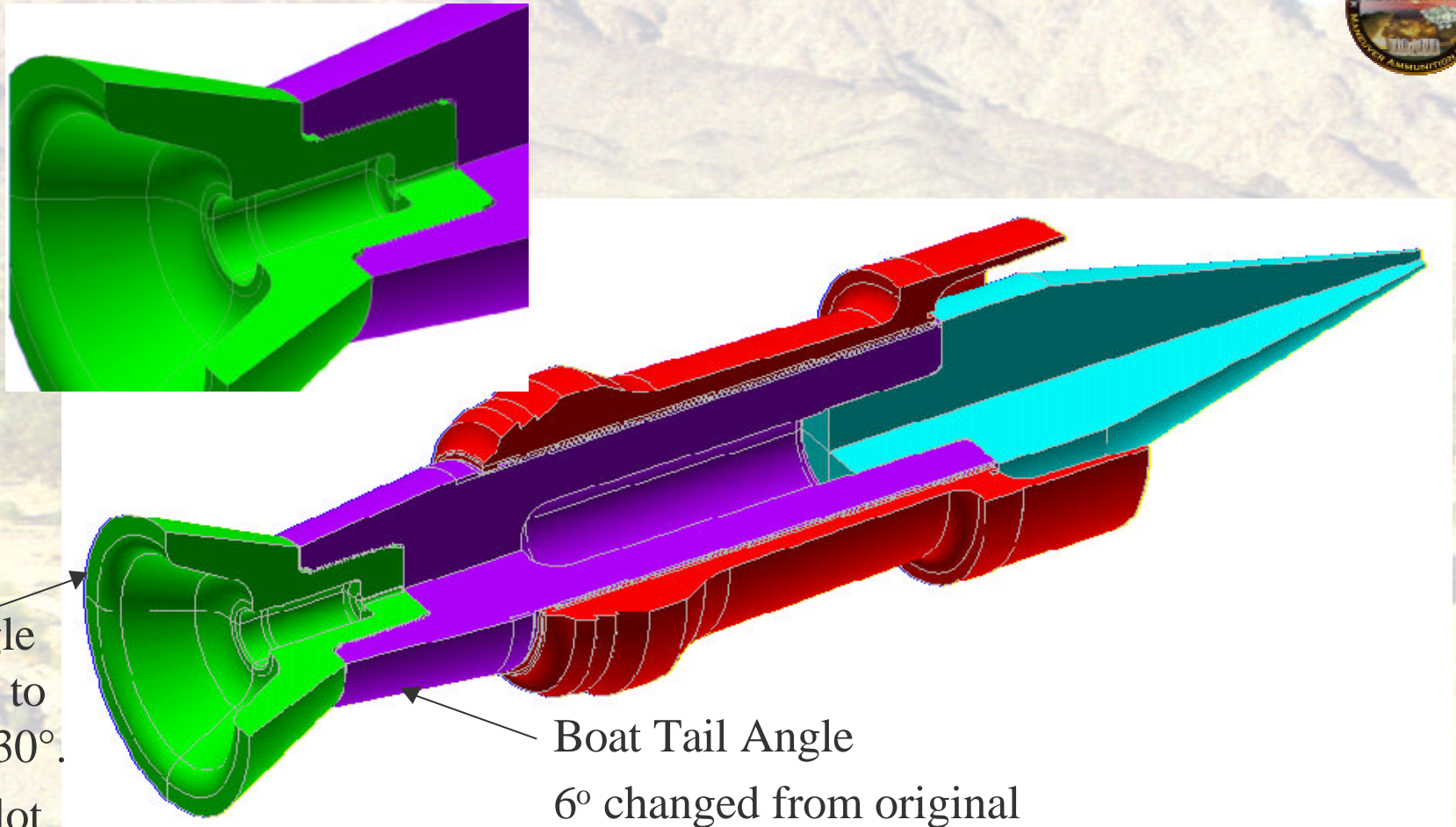
Modifications to Improve Structural Margin & Jump Sensitivity



### *Plan B*



# Plan A - "Modified Boat Tail"

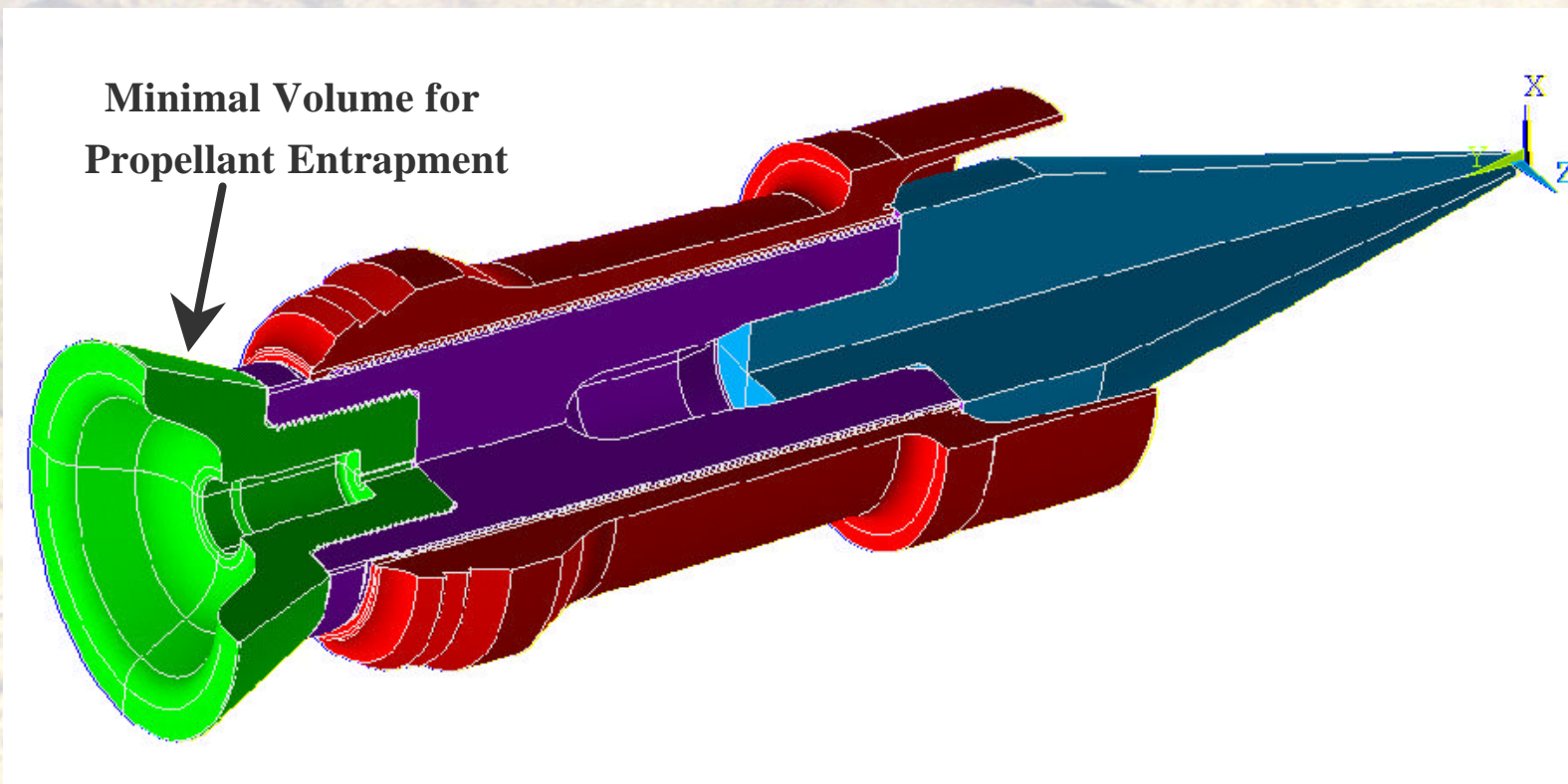


Slot Angle  
Reduced to  
5° from 30°.  
Plan B slot  
angle is 10°.

Boat Tail Angle  
6° changed from original  
20° Boat Tail



# Plan B



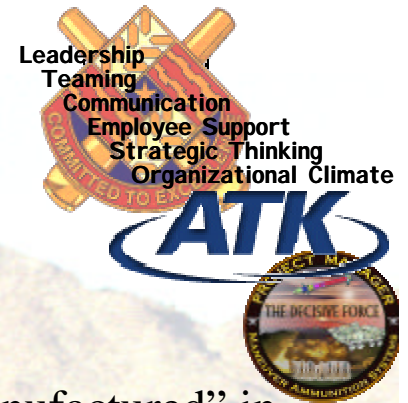
Eliminate Trapped Propellant by Pushing the Tail Cone Forward



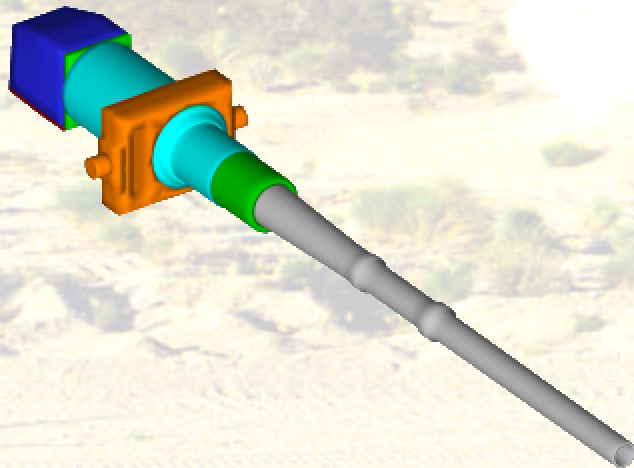
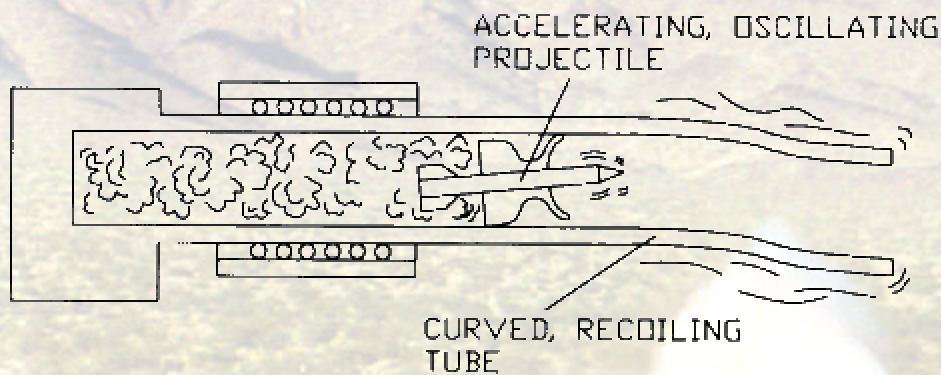


# Use of Gun/Projectile Dynamic Simulations

- Overview of Techniques
- Data Obtained from the Simulations
- Projectile Dynamics
- Gun Tube Shape Effects
- Ideal Tube Shape Results
- Tortuous Path Results



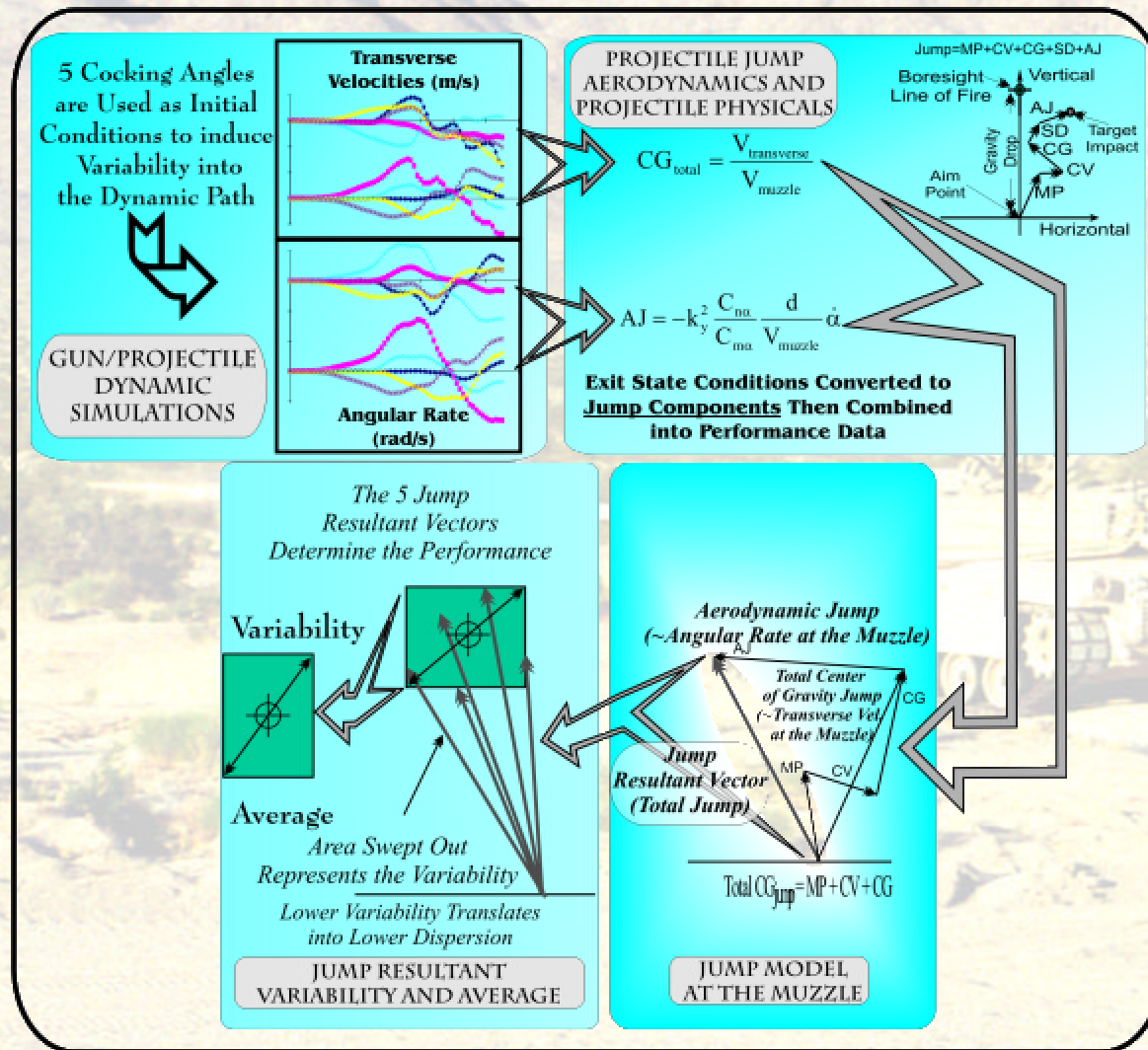
# How Is It Done?



- Models “Numerically Manufactured” in Components
- Components Are Assembled
- Interfaces Between Parts Are Defined
- The M256 Gun System
  - System Is Modeled Back to the Trunions
  - System Includes Recoil
  - Gun Tube Shapes Are Taken From Measurements Made of Tubes in the Inventory
    - o Every Tube Is Different
- Typical Simulation takes ~ 10-12 Hours
  - Over 4000 simulations have been done
  - ~ 5 CPU Years of Computer Time Utilized

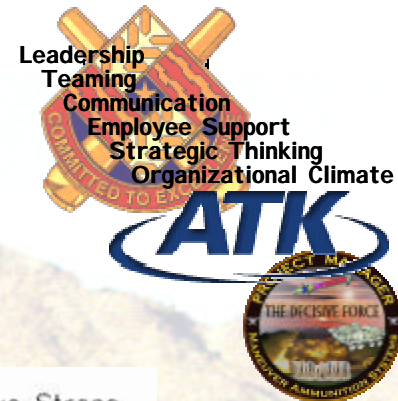


# Data Obtained from the Simulation



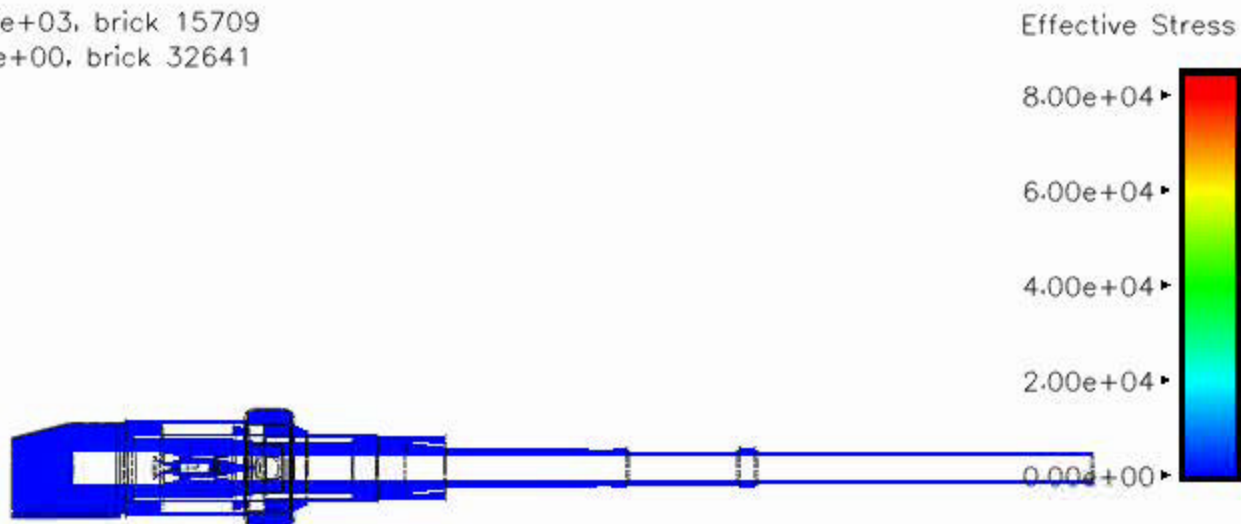


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# Launch Simulations

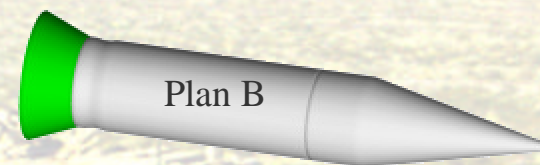
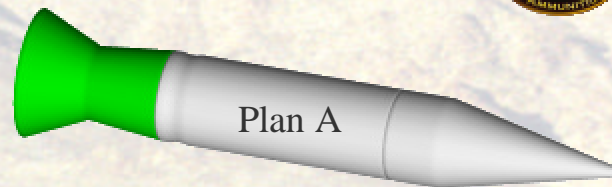
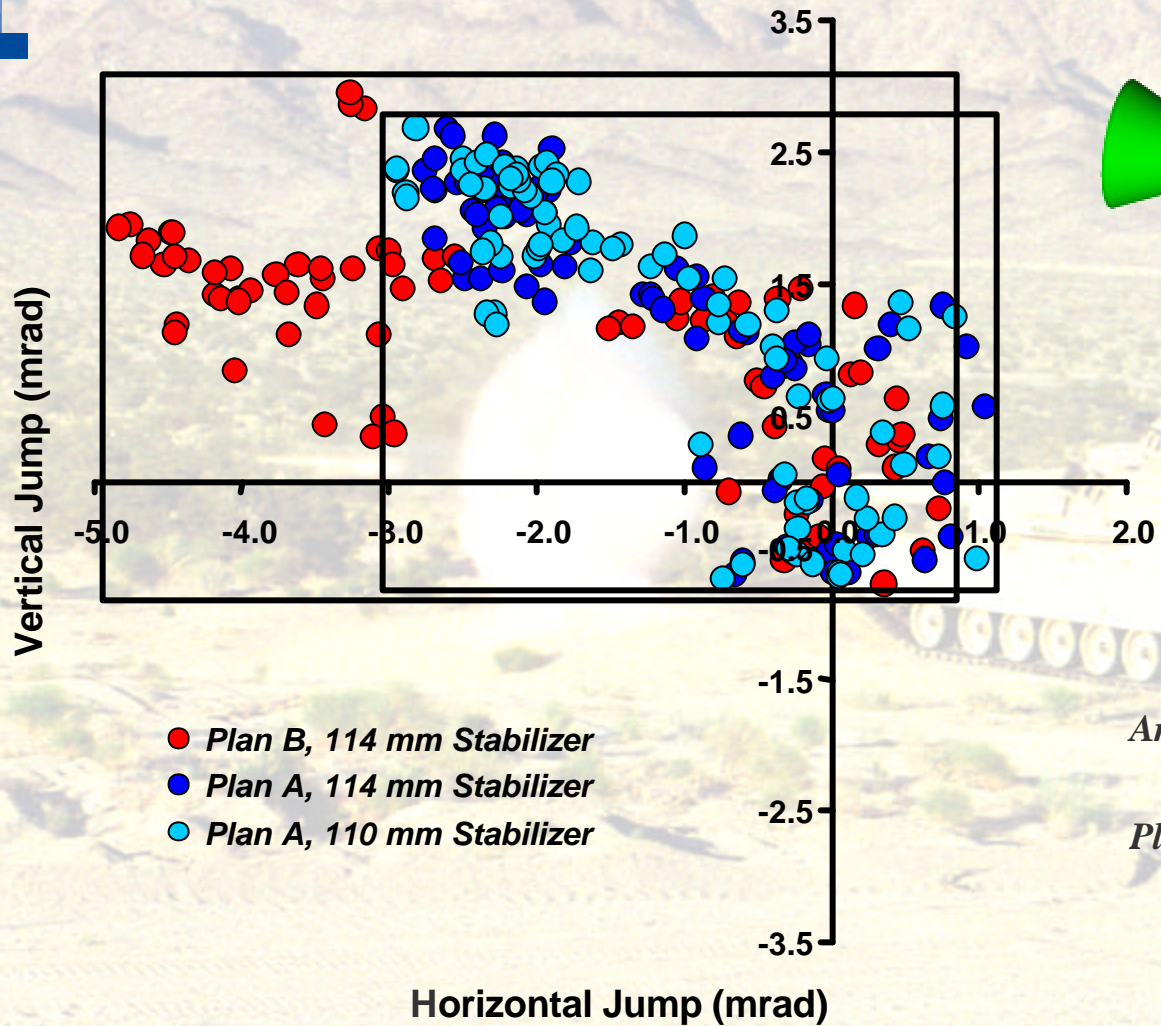
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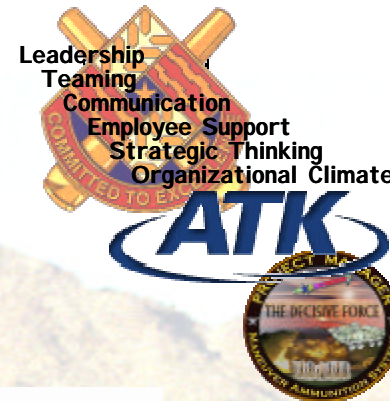
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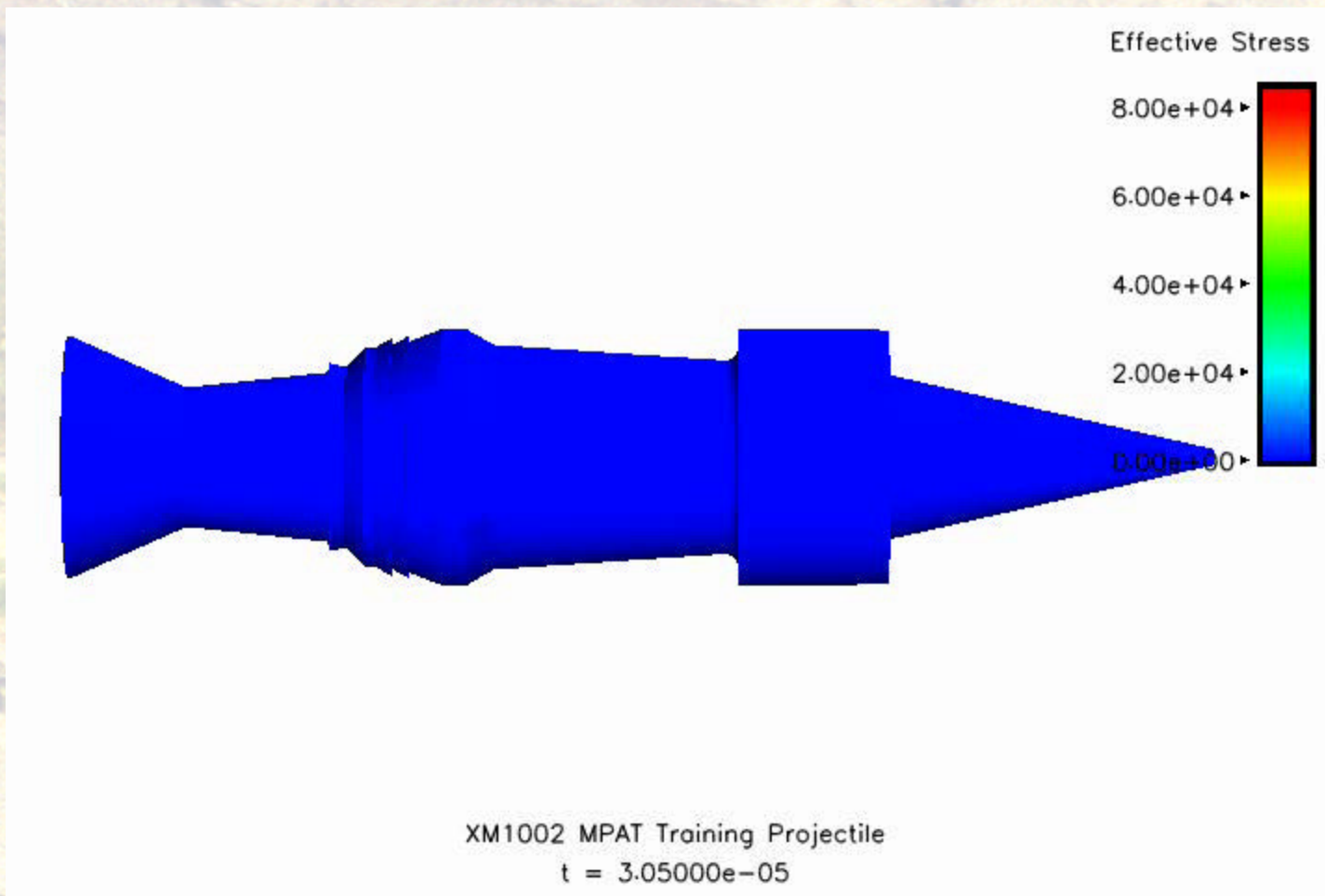
### Total Jump for the Tubes Based on SN2658



*Areas: Plan A -> 4.2x3.4=14.3*  
*Plan B -> 6.1x3.6=22.0*  
*Plan A's area ~ 35 % smaller*



# Dynamic Loading of the Projectile During Launch





# Launch Dynamics Conclusions

- Projectiles showed different launched behavior
- In realistic gun systems the Plan A Projectile launch with lower disturbance
- Difference in launch disturbance attributed to differences in projectile's transverse moment of inertia
- $I_{\text{transverse}}$  expected to affect discard in a similar manner

	<i>Plan A</i>	<i>Plan B</i>
<b>Stabilizer Dia. (mm)</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>114</b>
<b>CG (mm)</b>	247.080	219.610
<b>CG (Cal)</b>	3.089	2.745
<b>Mass (kg)</b>	8.053	7.596
<b><math>I_{xx}</math> (kg mm<sup>2</sup>)</b>	6091	5616
<b><math>I_{yy}</math> (kg mm<sup>2</sup>)</b>	138500	88740



# Success Criteria Evaluation

## Producibility Criteria (DTUPC)

## Risk Criteria

## 8 Design Threshold Requirements

- 3 Km TID
- Maximum Range
- Peak Pressure
- Negative Delta Pressure
- Maximum Range
- Cartridge Mass
- Center of Gravity
- T4 (Action Time)
- 3 Km Tracer Visibility
- 4 Km Tracer Visibility

## Weighted Comparative Performance Evaluations

- 6 Primary Performance Criteria
  - 3 Km Horizontal TID @ 3 Temperatures
  - 3 Km Horizontal TID Pooled
  - 3 Km Vertical TID @ 3 Temperatures
  - 3 Km Vertical TID Pooled
  - Accuracy (Predicted)
  - Aerodynamic Static Margin
- 4 Secondary Performance Criteria
  - Muzzle Velocity Standard Deviation
  - Crosswind Sensitivity (Calculated)
  - 4 Km Gravity Drop Standard Deviation
  - Negative Delta Pressure





# Today's Program Status and Plans

- Have Down-Selected to Plan A Design
- Have Modified Propellant Grain Design
  - Produced new pilot lot
  - Completed characterization tests at 5 temperatures
- Verified TID Performance at 3 Temperatures
- Increased Adapter-Obturator Joint Strength
- Performing SCV Pre-look Testing
- Nearing Completion of EMD-1 (PPQT) Hardware Manufacture
- EMD-2 (PQT) Hardware Manufacturing Completion Scheduled for June 2003
- TC/LRIP Release Planned for November 2003