



TECHNOLOGY DRIVEN. WARFIGHTER FOCUSED.

Emerging Technologies For the Future Fight

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It's All About ... the Warfighter











- The Current Fight
- Building for the Future Fight NOW
 - Power & Energy
 - Robotics
- Partnering with the Nation's Best
- Building the Future Workforce



Supporting Today's Fight







The Current Fight















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Tackling the National Challenges









Increase force protection

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- Fewer fuel convoys means fewer people and systems in harm's way
- Increase sustainability
 - Operate for longer / go farther without resupply
 - Reduce O&S costs
 - Crude oil closed at \$96.37/Bbl on 11-7-07; DoD standard (refined) price is additional \$25/Bbl
 - Free up manpower and equipment
- Reduce Dependency on foreign oil
 - Reduce revenue flow to unfriendly / unstable nations





"For too long our nation has been dependent on foreign oil...and the way forward is through technology." President George W. Bush, State of the Union Address, 23 January 2007

"We've also got to address the challenges of energy security and global climate change. We need to harness the power of technology

President George W. Bush, Speech at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Summit, 7 August 2007



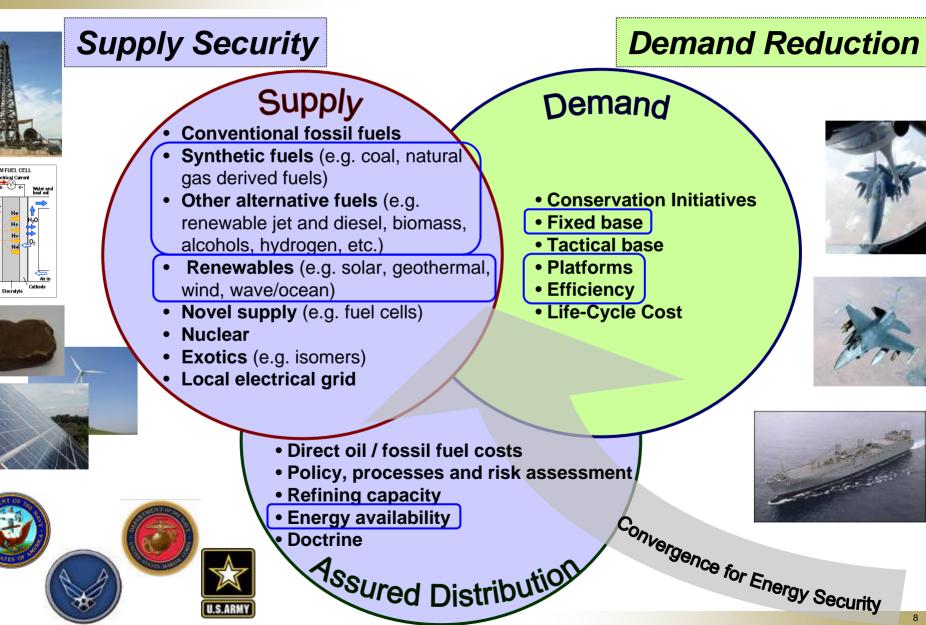
"Reducing the military's dependence on fuel for power generation could reduce the number of road-bound convoys." U.S. Marine Corps Maj. Gen. Richard Zilmer, Defense News, August 2006



DOD Perspective: The Energy Security Challenge

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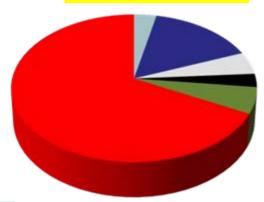
U.S. Army Perspective



Peacetime Consumption

(DSB Report)

112.4 Trillion Btu



Combat Vehicles (3%)

Combat Aircraft (16%)

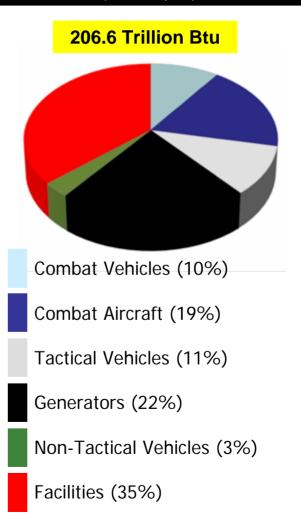
Tactical Vehicles (5%)

Generators (3%)

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Non-Tactical Vehicles (6%)
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Facilities (67%)
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Wartime Consumption (DSB Report)



Source : Report of the Defense Science Board Task Force on DoD Energy Strategy "More Fight – Less Fuel" published Feb. 2008



Army Power & Energy Trend Assessment

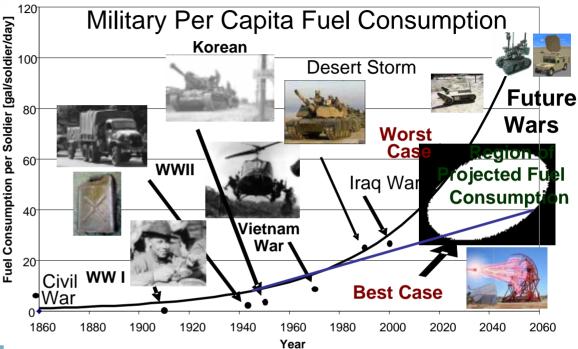


The Challenges

- Battlefield consumption of energy increasing
- Energy security problematic
- Operational issues
- Increased emphasis on system power metrics



Discarded Batteries (90% Still Usable)

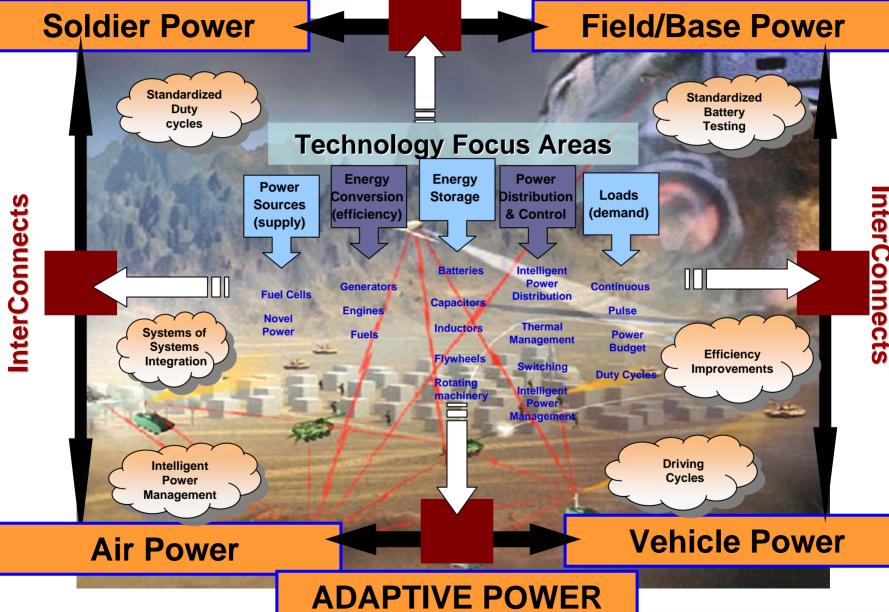




The HMMWV has progressed from a 85 *amp alternator to a* 400 *amp alternator*

RDECOM Power and Energy Vision and Focus

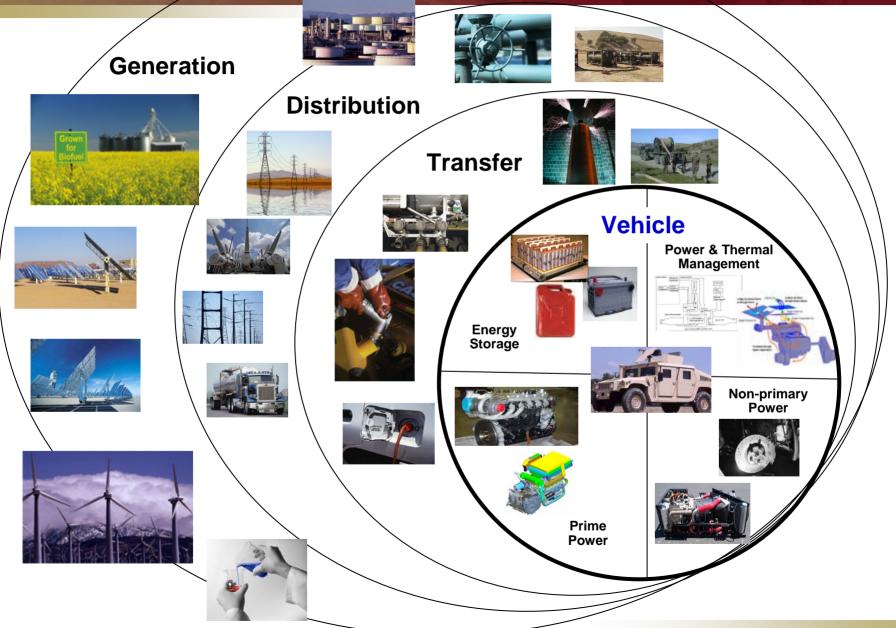






Energy Layers

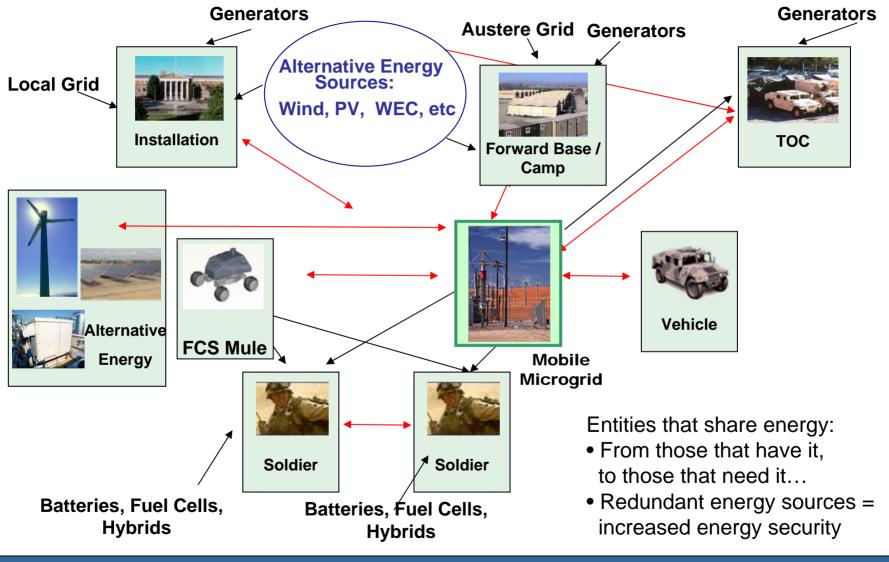




Increased Power & Energy Sharing

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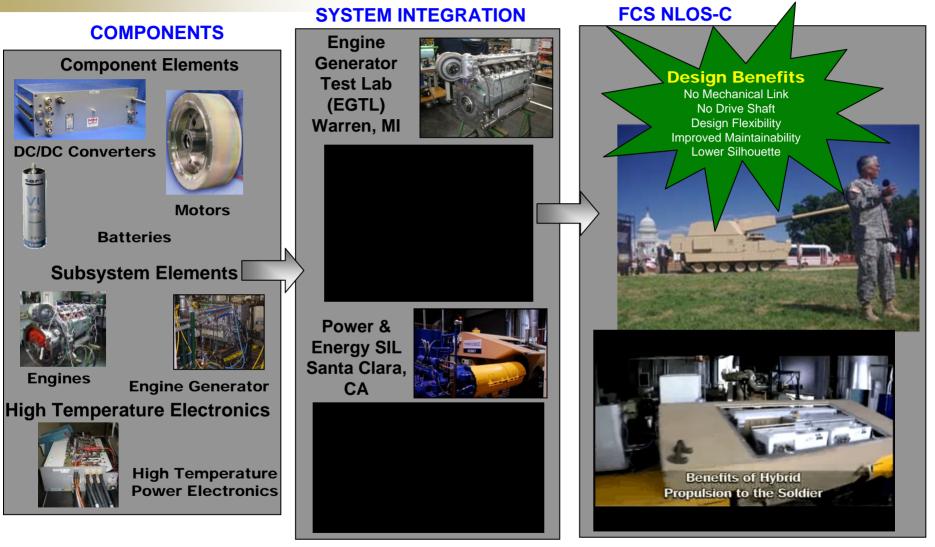


Improving *energy* capability through holistic power sharing - you're in the fight...!



Hybrid-Electric Technology





Realizing the Vision for a Hybrid-Electric Combat Vehicle

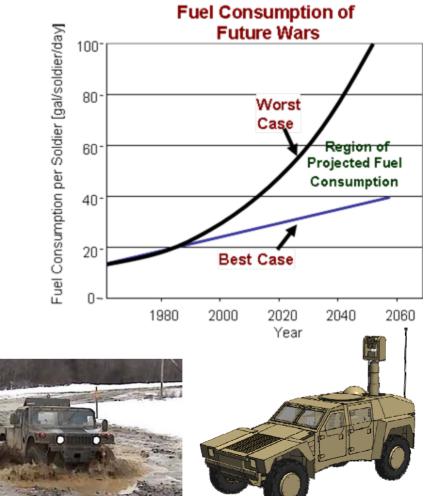




Silent Watch/Mobility

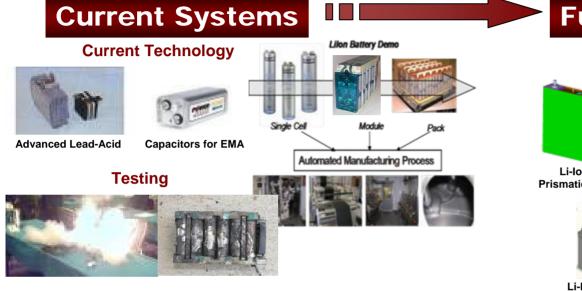
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- Improved energy efficiency
- Fuel economy and emissions reduction
 - Reduced logistics burdens
 - Regenerative braking / energy recovery
- Enhance functionality, flexibility, power quality, and management of onboard power
 - Net-centric warfare and C4ISR
 - Extra power to handle peak electronic loads
 - Pulse power and directed energy weapons
- Improved export-power capabilities



Energy Storage Investment Strategy RDECOM





Efforts Supporting Current Force

- Battery Monitoring Technology development & testing
- Advanced Lead acid battery testing & gualification
- Advanced Lead Acid Battery Technology
- Enhancement
- **Battery Ballistic Impact Test & Evaluation**
- Battery Pack Integration, Testing & Evaluation

Future Systems

Improvements





Li-lon Prismatic Cell

L-i-Ion Battery Module (50V)

NiZn Cell





Li-Ion / Ultracap Hybrid **Energy Storage**

LFP cathode

Efforts Supporting Future Force

- High Power High Energy Li-Ion Battery Manufacturing
- Large format Li-Ion prismatic cells with integrated liquid cooling development
- Lithium-Iron Phosphate Battery Safety Improvements
- Ultra High Power Li-Ion Cells for *Pulse Power*
- **Thermal Runaway Studies**
- Battery Pack Integration, Testing & Evaluation
- Nickel Zinc Battery Development

Advanced Batteries are the foundation for hybrid vehicles and technologies

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Alternative Fuels Program



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Fuel Evaluations

- Chemical composition
- Physical properties
- Fuel system impacts



Engine Evaluations

- Fuel ignitability
- Fuel combustion
- Performance / durability



System Evaluations

- Fuel-system interactions
- System performance and durability
- Fuel specification inputs
- Suitability of fuel for use in Army equipment

Alternative Fuel Vehicles & Infrastructure



SANGB Hydrogen Filling Station



Advanced Mobile Microgrid



Domestic Manufacturing Capability



Dual use Applications





Advanced automotive batteries -Enabler of alternative energy



Cells

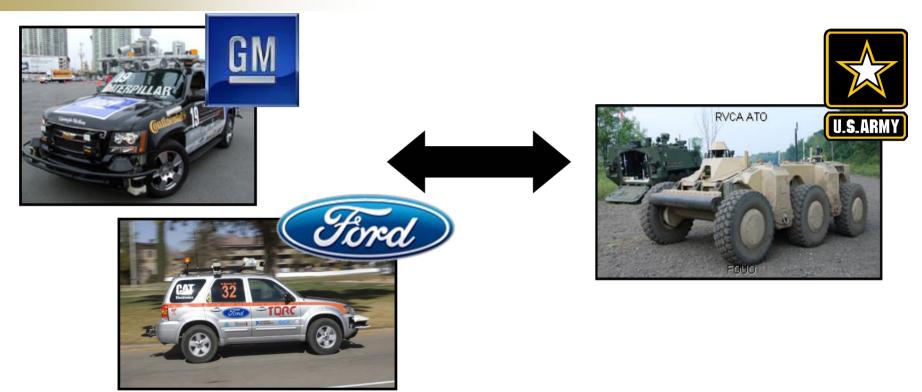


Modules Packs



State-of-the-Art Robotic Technologies







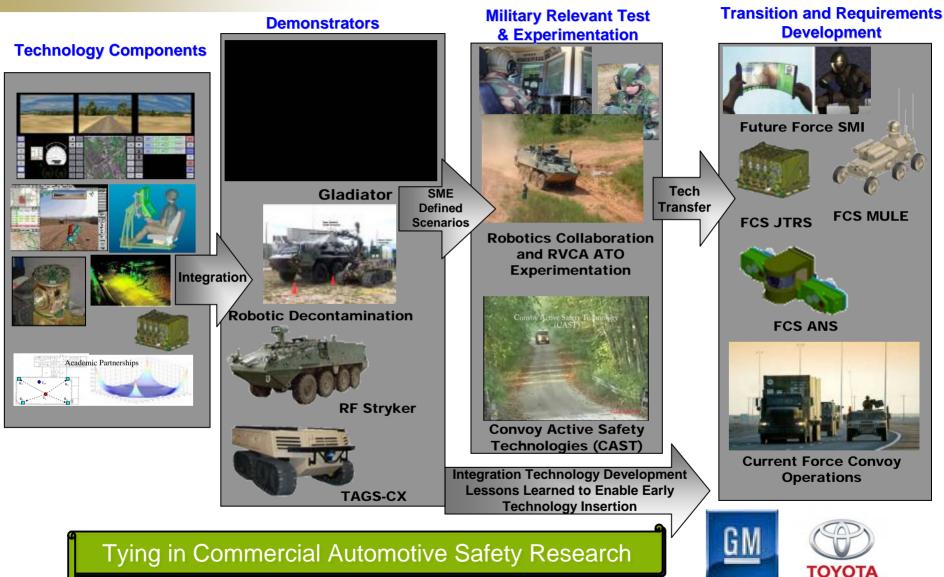
"The future of the auto is bright and increasingly electronic. Autonomous driving means that someday you could do your email, eat breakfast, do your makeup and watch a video while commuting to work".

Rick Wagoner, CEO GM, Consumer Electronics Show 2008 Keynote address stating that GM plans to test driverless cars by 2015 and have them in production by 2018.



Robotic Technologies









Jointly Funded by OSD JGRE and JCR Program Goals:

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- Provide low cost (\$10-20K) convoy automation (Leader/Follower) capability for current force Army vehicles
- Support Warfighter requirement for convoy automation and active safety
- Provide Robotics capability in CS/CSS community
- Leverage RF, RDECOM and other FCS Technologies

Enhanced Soldier Protection

- Increased Situational Awareness
- Reduced Collisions
- Reduced Crew Driving Tasks
- Reduced Fatigue
- Increased Driver Cognition







RDECOM Joint Center for Robotics Efforts



- S&T Support to the RS-JPO
- Develops and Fosters external Relationships
- Matures technology for Insertion into ATO programs
- Robotics Outreach
- RS JPO Collaboration Cell Lead
- Support to IGS Capability Cells
- Robotics Academic Programs (Including Curriculum Development)







Let's Start Early



Robotics, Engineering and Technology (RET) Days

- Students gain insights into technology careers, math & science.
- Robotics is a multi-disciplinary field (electrical, mechanical & computer engineering).
- Supports Michigan's objective to be a technology based economy

Michigan Robotics FIRST Support

- 3 Michigan Regional Competitions in 2008
 - -Provided VIP Speakers
 - -Provided Technical Judges
- TARDEC engineers serve as mentors to several metro-Detroit area high schools
- Future Activities:
 - —2009 Michigan Regional Sponsorship
 - Assisting in building arenas for regional competitions
- 2009 International Competition

Intelligent Ground Vehicle Competition (IGVC)

- University Engineering education challenging students to design autonomous vehicles
- 16 Competitions since 1993 — Thousand of Students
 - —332 Teams
 - -67 University
 - —4 Countries (Canada, India, Japan, and Mexico)

2nd Annual Robotics, Engineering and Technology (RET) Days

December 4 - 6, 2007





Recruiting for Success



Summer Hires:

- 20 Colleges, 53 Students
- 15 High Schools, 15 Students
- 2008 10% of Summer Hires converted to Co-op Program

Projects:

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- Survivability Material Processes & Ceramics Analysis
- Manipulator Arm Training for Walking Robot Prototypes
- Diesel Engine Simulations & Analysis

47 Projects 68 Students

Co-Ops & Interns

- 2001-2006 more than 85% of TARDEC workforce recruited from co-op program
- 51 Co-Op Positions as of Sep 08
- 17 AMC Interns
- 95% Retention rate
- 18 Local University Memorandums of Understanding
- In 2007 126 TARDEC associates participating in higher education

 — 78% focused on emerging technology & global leadership TECHNOLOGY DRIVEN. WARFIGHTER FOCUSED. curriculums



TARDEC's 2008 Summer Hire Expo



The Honorable Governor Jennifer Granholm & The Honorable Senator Carl Levin Touring the 2008 Summer Hire Exposition



Getting the Right Technologies to the Warfighter Quicker

RDECOM The Hub of Innovation & Integration





DoD's Ground Vehicle Center of Excellence







U.S. Army Perspective cont.



Tactical Fuel Logistics & Protection

Kuwait/OIF/OEF Fuel to FOB (Million gallons/yr)	431
Fuel trucks needed	140,075
Convoys needed	9,332
Soldiers per convoy trip (Fuel trucks, protection, other support)	120
Soldier Convoys	644,360
Fewer Soldier Convoys (Resulting from 1% Fuel Savings)	6,444