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Comprehensive 360° Situational Awareness for the Crew Served Weapons Leader



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Situation

Threat: Multitude of asymmetric threats across full spectrum of operations, to include Military Operations in Urban Terrain.

Soldier's Tasks:

- Conduct kinetic and non-kinetic engagements with enemy combatants.
- Protect the local populace.
- Minimize collateral damage on the battlefield.
- Maintain non threatening posture towards local nationals.

Blue Force Gap: Narrow Field of View/RWS observation systems do not provide adequate situational awareness to Soldiers.

Mission Accomplishment risk and complexity increases:

- Soldiers remain exposed.
- Existing EO/IR systems lack a 360 degree EO/IR capability. (Lack glass cockpit).
- Multitude of sensor/data inputs creates "information overload".
- Adverse impact on mission accomplishment. (Limited "See first Hit first" capability).

Solution: Close the identified gap and speed the Soldier's decision cycle.

Provide a 360° imaging system that increases the operational effectiveness of the Platform:

- Present the Soldier with actionable information at the Squad Level. •
- Enable the Soldier to see while operating under armor (Create glass cockpit).
- Provide Slew-to-Cue and other system integration (Intelligent system integration).
- Result in Squad Leader regaining the tactical advantage (Provides Overmatch).



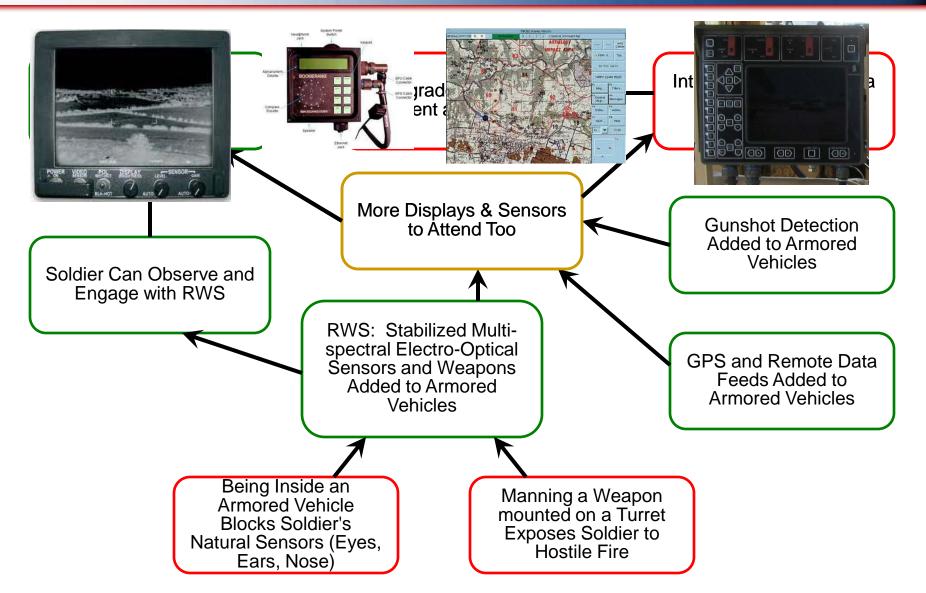




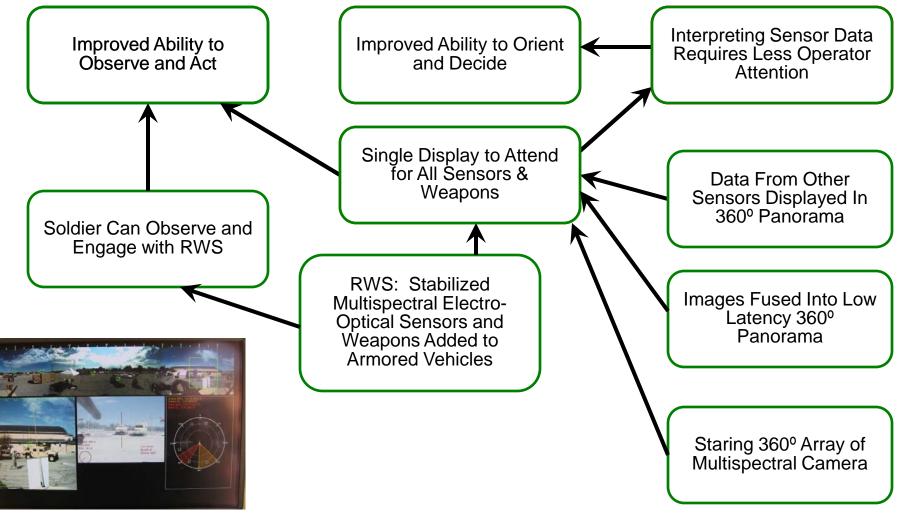


Current CONOPS









Single Display

(Interface all sensors/ weapons/FBCB2 feed)



Does OODA Loop Matter?

OODA- Observe, Orient, Decide, Act

OODA Loop:

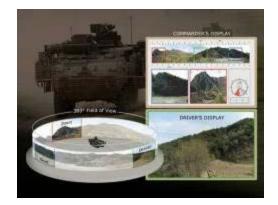
- Accepts the uncertain, continually changing environment and thrives upon the chaos of the battlefield
- Enables Soldiers to be comfortable in an ambiguous/chaotic environment and control the situation

Key to Winning = Exploit the OODA Loop:

- Soldier can navigate through the OODA cycle faster and reach a decision before the enemy can react.
- Soldier can cut through the "fog of war" and gain better tactical awareness of his surroundings.

Materiel solution required:

- Provide the Squad Leader with a highly integrated and easy to use Situational Awareness system
- Provide actionable information at the Squad Level
- Avoid sensor and cognitive overload







360° EO/IR Situational Awareness System Speeds Blue Force OODA Loop

Vehicle Platform



Current Fight (SA Systems)





4 separate and independent displays to monitor as a Squad Leader/ Crew Served Weapons Leader





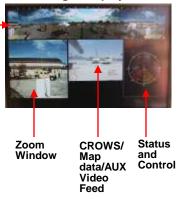
<u>O·N·E 360</u> Panoramic Camera



Single display to monitor as a Squad Leader/ Crew Served Weapons Leader

Future Fight (SA Systems)

Panoramic Video Single Display



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Addition of 360° SA System Increases Tactical Advantage of Blue Force

• COL Boyd's Study of the F-86 Versus the MiG:

- F-86 aircraft had a glass canopy giving the pilots a 360° field of vision.
- F-86 Pilot had a much easier time observing his enemy then the enemy had of him.
- Exploitation of the OODA Loop must be conducted to win in "4th Generation of Warfare" posed by terrorist and non-conventional forces.

Key Advantages of a 360° SA System:

- 360° imaging increases the operational effectiveness of the Platform
- Soldier's see the entire battlefield instantaneously and continuously while under armor (Creates glass cockpit
- Slew-to-Cue and other system integration (i.e., Hostile Fire Detection, SIGINT, VICTORY) complement the Platform
- Gives a tactical advantage to the Platform and Squad (Provides Overmatch)



F-86 Full 360°FOV (Advantage)



<u>MiG-15</u> Restricted FOV (Disadvantage)



O·N·E 360 Full 360° FOV (Advantage)



<u>M-153</u> 45° FOV (Disadvantage)

360° SA Video









Close the Operational Gap on CROWS with 360° Capability

Allows the Soldier to see the entire battlefield instantaneously and continuously while under armor (Create glass cockpit)

Provides Comprehensive 360° Situational Awareness for the Crew Served Weapons Leader

- Provides actionable information at the Squad Level
- Avoid sensor/s and cognitive overload on the Squad Leader (Intelligent System Integration)

The Squad Leader needs a highly integrated and easy to use Situational Awareness system

- Use the OODA Loop to our advantage- Save Soldier's Lives
- Increase the operational capability of the Squad Leader and Crew Served Weapons Leader- Regain the advantage over the enemy combatant







Questions

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