

Solid State Guided Bullet Flight Control Actuators

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II. New Classes of Adaptive Actuators

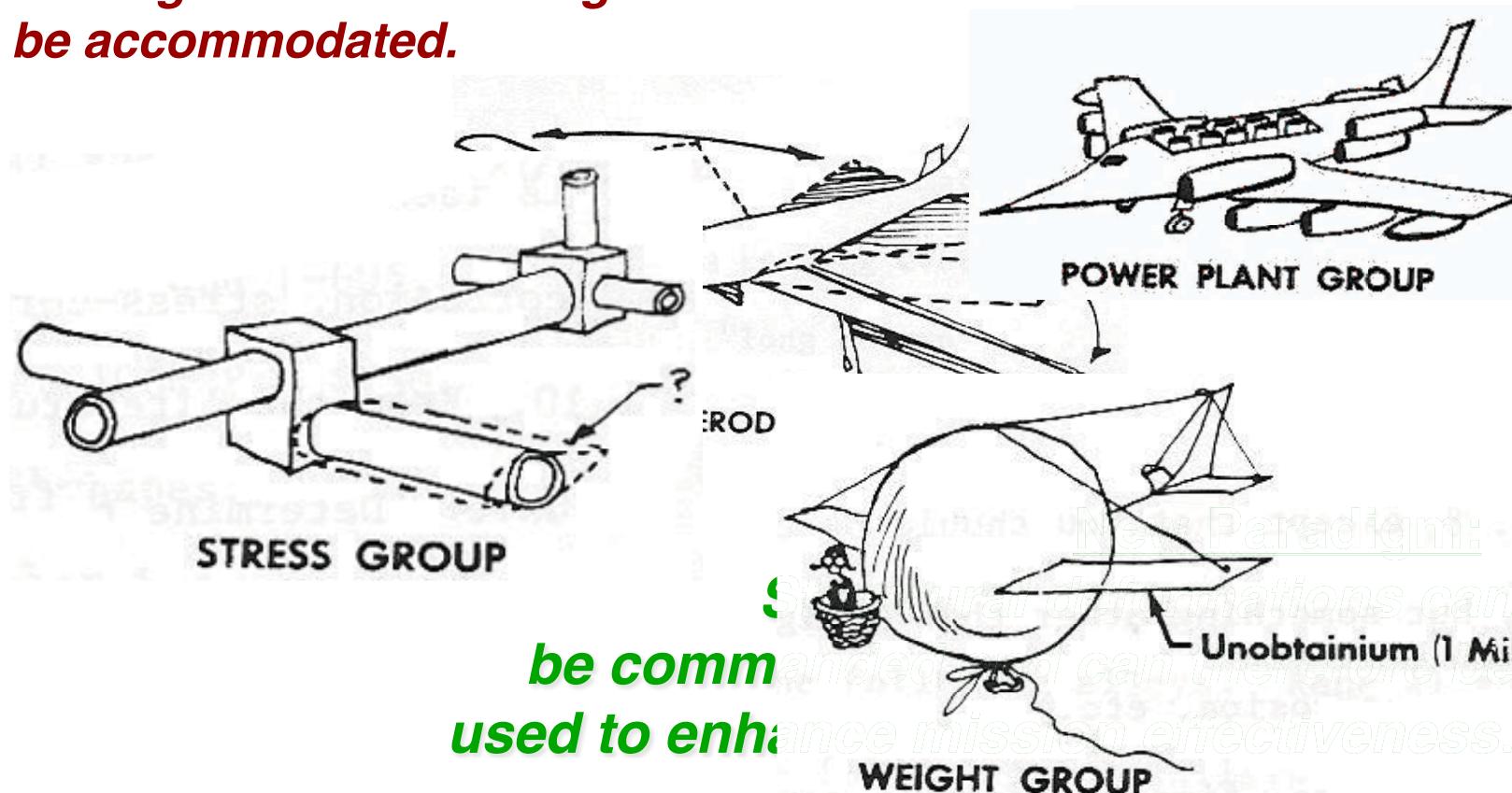
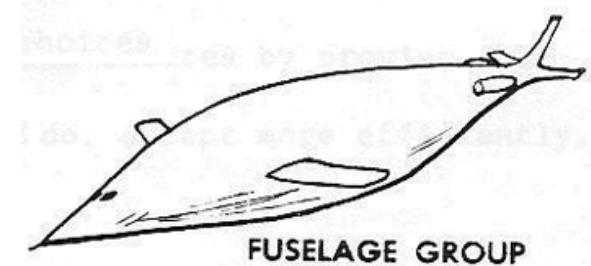
III. Summary of Adaptive FCS Properties and Designs



Adaptive Materials

Old Paradigm:

Structural deformations indicate that a given loading state is occurring and must therefore be accommodated.



Adaptive Aerostructures

A (Very) Brief Introduction

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Most Useful Classes of Adaptive Materials:

- **Shape-Memory Alloy -**
High Deflection, Slow, Lots of Power
- **Piezoceramics -**
Very Fast, Low Power



Commercial Adaptive Aerostructures:

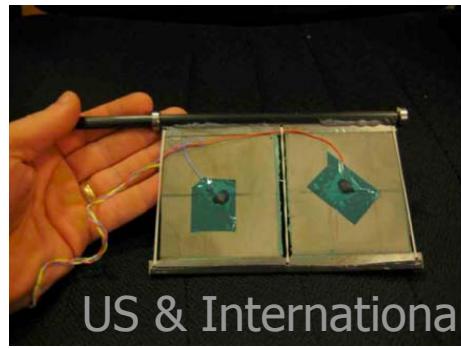
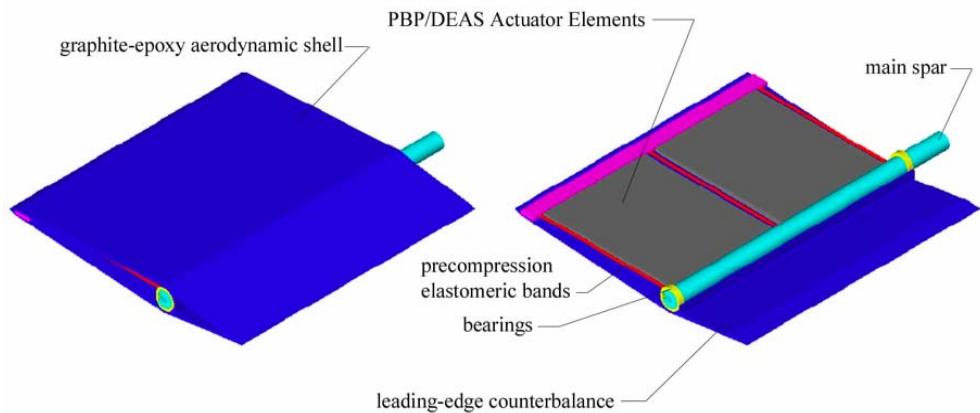
Adaptive Flutter Test Surface

- **Solid State**
- **Order of magnitude less device weight**
- **Half the acquisition cost of the conventional system**
- **Exacting Deflection & Phase Control**
- **Flight Rated to Mach 3**
- **Half the flutter insurance rates**

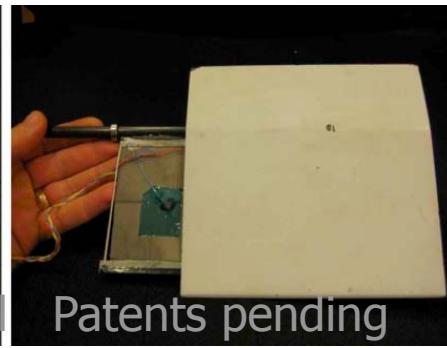
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US & International



Patents pending

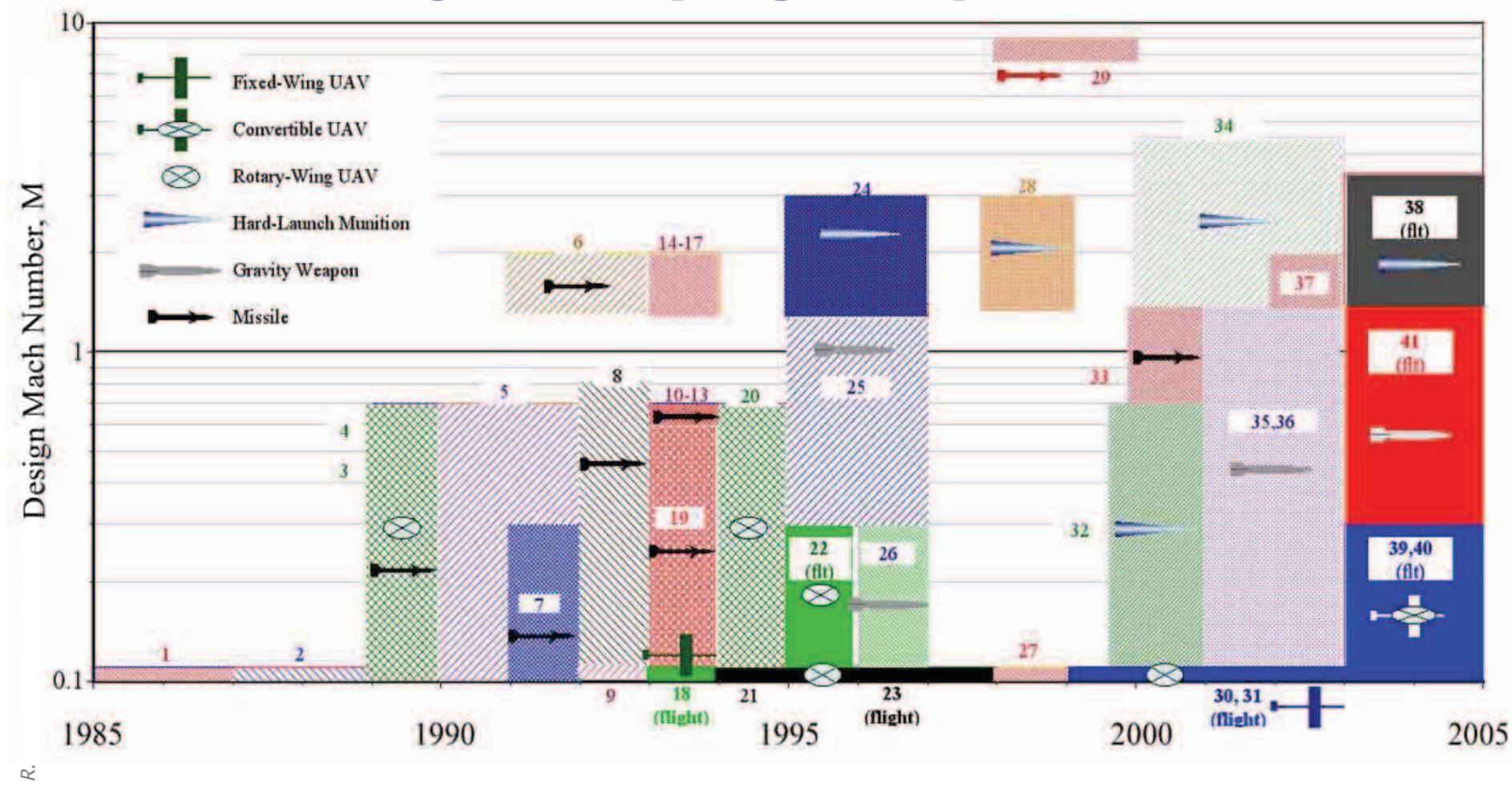


Background/History

New Actuator Classes

Adaptive FCS & Optics

Overview of Programs with Lineage to Flying Adaptive UAVs

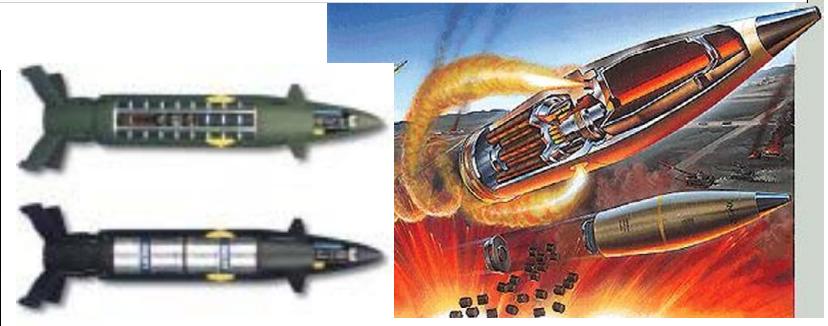
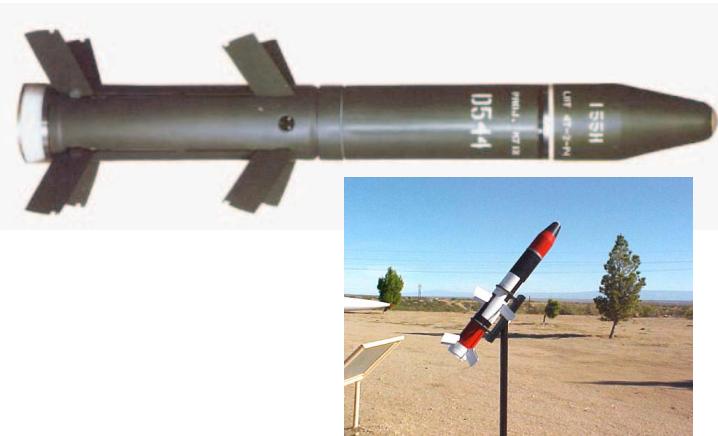


Brief Guided Round History

M712 Copperhead 1975

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**XM 982 Excalibur
& ERGM**

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Low Caliber Flight Control Actuator Needs...

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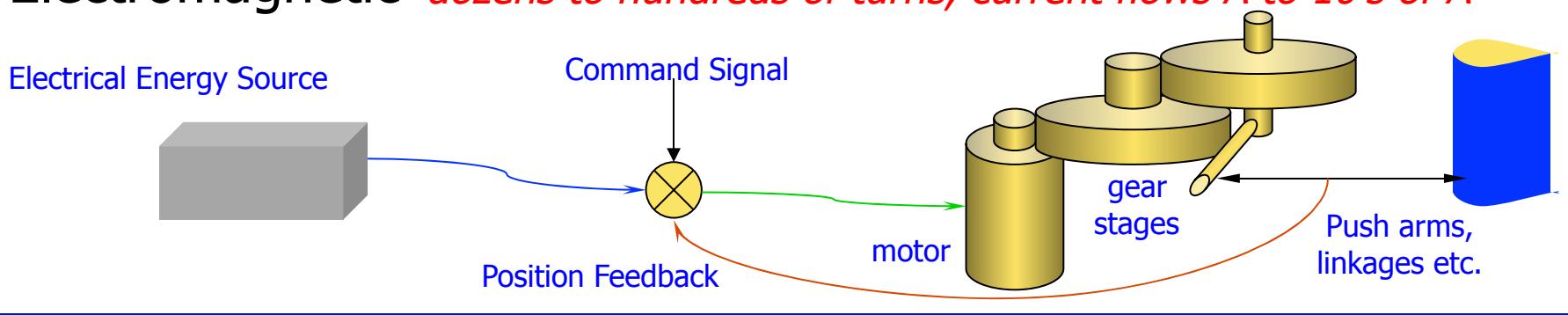
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- Setback tolerance: 5,000 - 200,000g's
- Balloting, setforward, ringing impervious
- Compatible with supersonic control effectors
- Not affected by atmospherics (rain, dust, dirt, snow, etc.)
- 20 yr storage life
- -40 to +145°F
- Lightweight (<1g), Low Volume (<1cc), Low Power (10's of mW)
- High bandwidth (>200 Hz)
- Production shipset costs in single dollars... at most



Flight Control Technologies

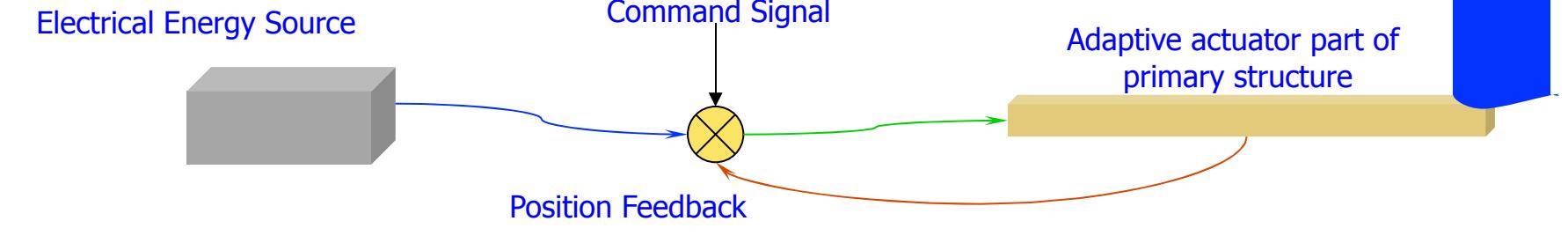
Electromagnetic *dozens to hundreds of turns, current flows A to 10's of A*



Magnetic Field \propto no. of windings x current

Adaptive

no windings, current flows μA to mA



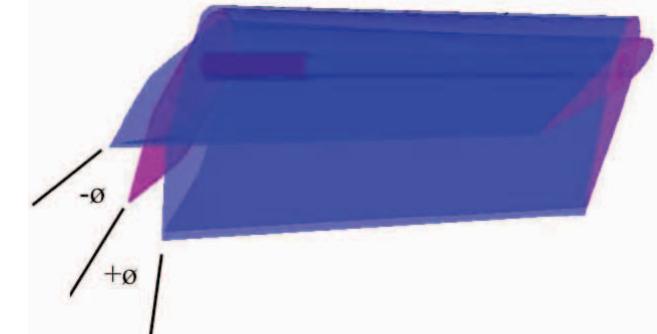
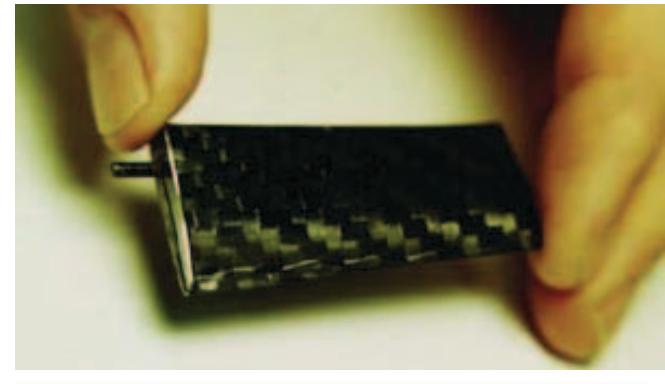
The First MAV... Driving Adaptive FCS

Conventional Electromagnetic



36 components, 830 μ T @10cm

Adaptive Stabilizers



5 components, 0.6 μ T @10cm

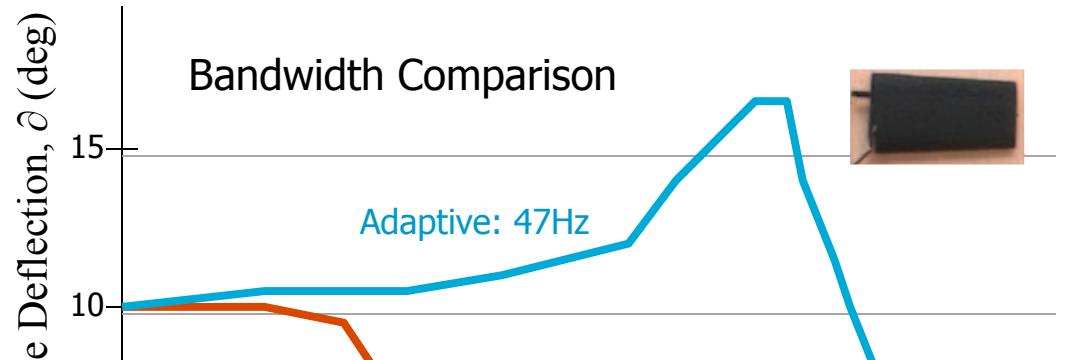
Earth's Magnetic Field: 30 – 60 μ T



Advanced MAVs:

Driving the need for
Adaptive Actuators --
faster, lighter, stronger

ic sources



Adaptive Surfaces vs. Conventional Servos

- 96% reduction in power consumption
- 16x increase in bandwidth
- 99.2% decrease in slop
- 90% reduction in part count
- 12% OWE savings



Interceptors

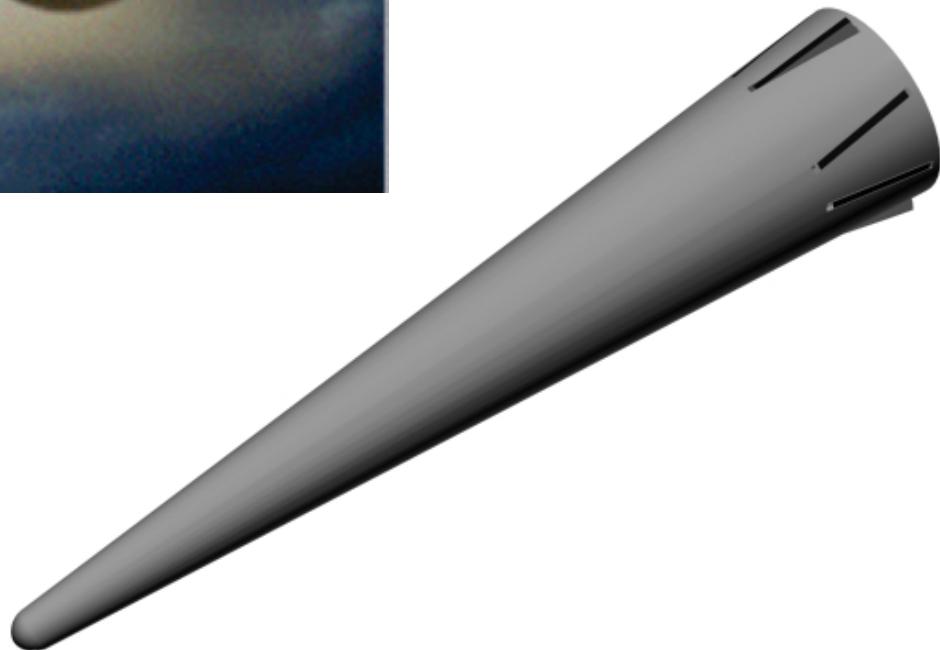
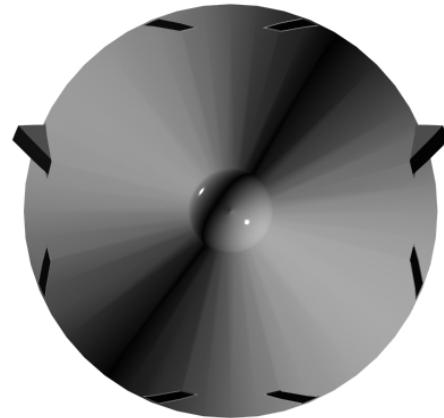


SMDC HITT Program 1997 - 2000

Hypersonic

5ms Fully Proportional Response

Pitch, Roll, Yaw control



Guiding Lower Caliber Rounds... More History

Barrel-Launched Adaptive Munition (BLAM) Program 1995 - '97

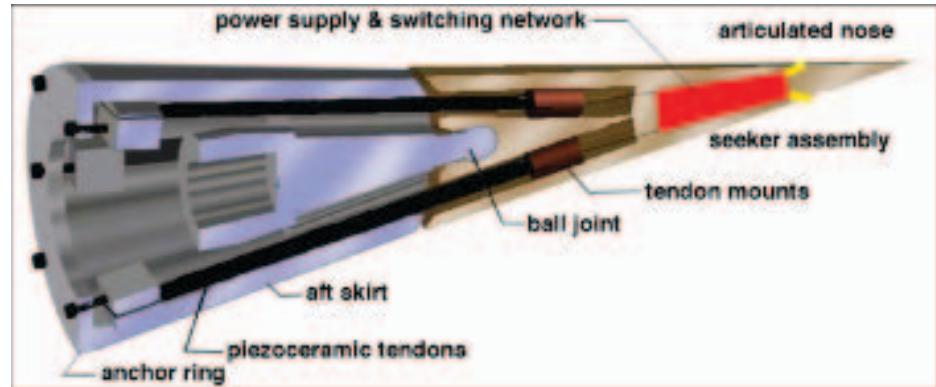
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USAF/AFRL-MNAV

- Aerial Gunnery (20 - 105mm)
- Extend Range w/2g maneuver
- (Eglin AFB tests '97)
(Mach 3.3 tests '96-'97)
- Increase hit probability
- Increase probability of a kill given a hit
- Reduce total gun system weight fraction



Guiding Small Arms Rounds... More History

Range-Extended Adaptive Munition (REAM) Program 1998 - '99

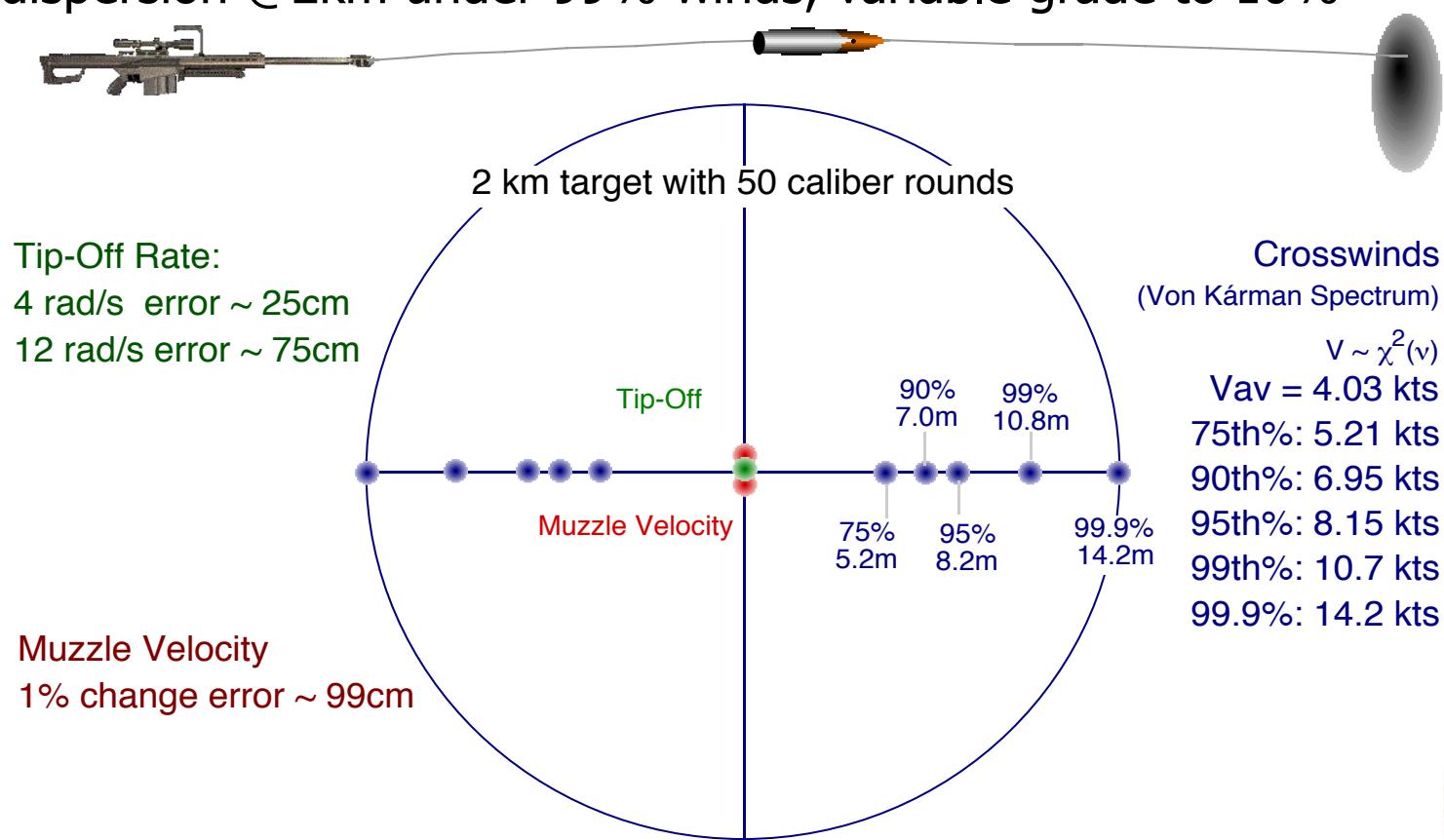
TACOM-ARDEC (Picatinny-APG) Phase I SBIR

- Guide 50 cal sniper rounds against targets moving up to 100km/hr
- 10cm dispersion @2km under 99% winds, variable grade to 10%

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Range-Extended Adaptive Munition (REAM) IRAD 1999 - 2001

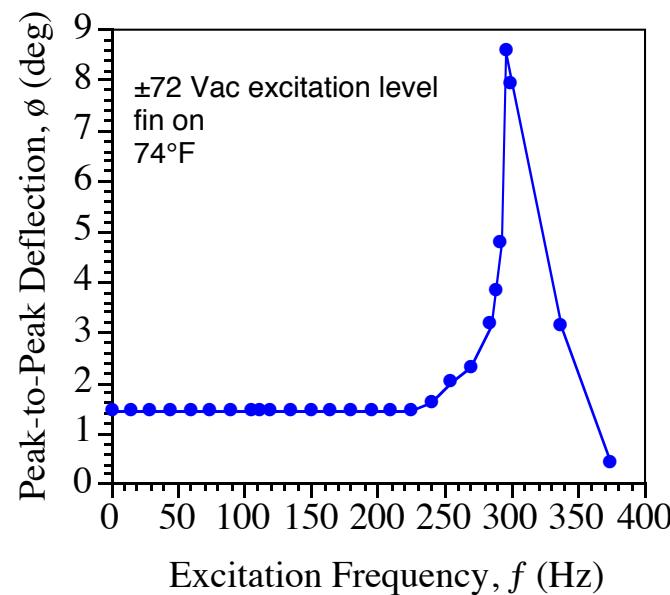
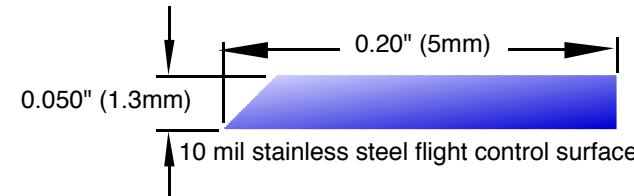
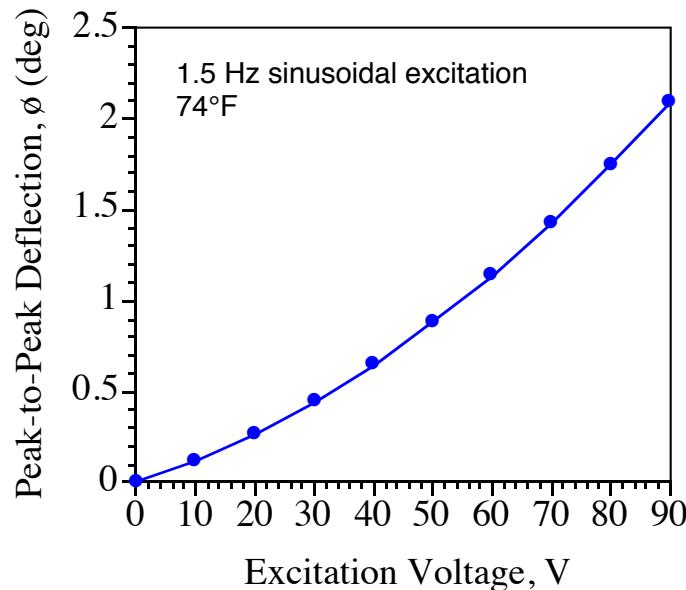
BAT-Lutronix Corp. developed supersonic piezoelectric FCS actuators

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Flight Control Surface and Actuator Performance

Max Power Consumption: 28 mW
 Nominal Power Consumption: 3.5 mW
 Static Power Consumption: $< 1\mu\text{W}$
 Design Mach Range: 0.8 - 4.5, STP
 Design Accelerations: 25k g's



Guiding Small Arms Rounds... More History

Shipborne Countermeasure Range-Extended Adaptive Munition (SCREAM) Program 2001 - '03

DARPA-TACOM ARDEC SBIR Phase II

- Change from sniping to countering high jinking rate sea-skimming missiles
- Change from 0.50 caliber to 40mm
- Change from ~2g's of maneuver authority to many tens of g's
- Entire FCS passed 41,000g shock table testing

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SCREAM Actuator Challenges:

- Long actuator bay length
- Difficulty pushing beyond 50,000g's
- Low deflection -- ~ok for sniper, not ok for SCREAM

Hmmm...



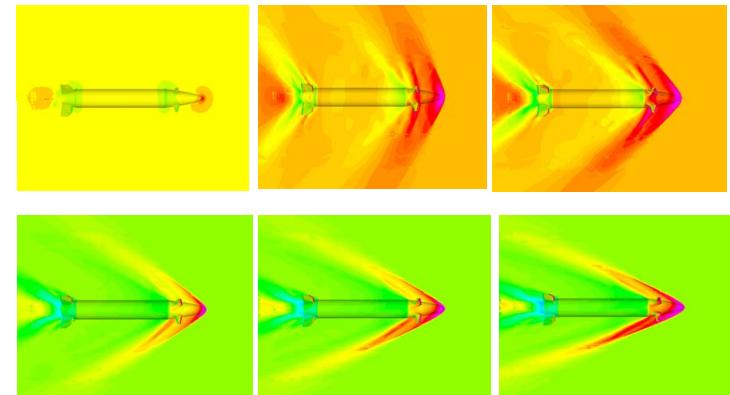
Other Adaptive FCS Efforts

Rabinovitch & Vinson 2000 - present

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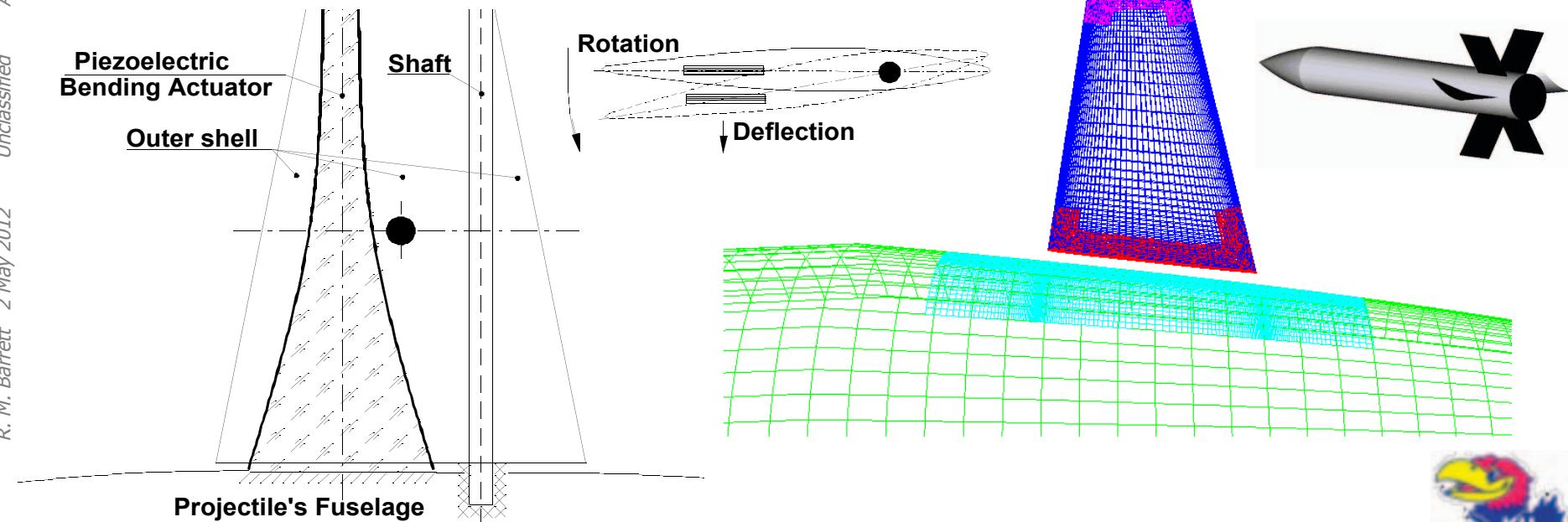
again... low authority
can't survive balloting, setback unsteady aero...

Now Where???



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New Actuator Classes

Adaptive FCS



Guiding Hard-Launched Rounds... The Ephphany!

Discoveries from Europe... 2003 - 2004

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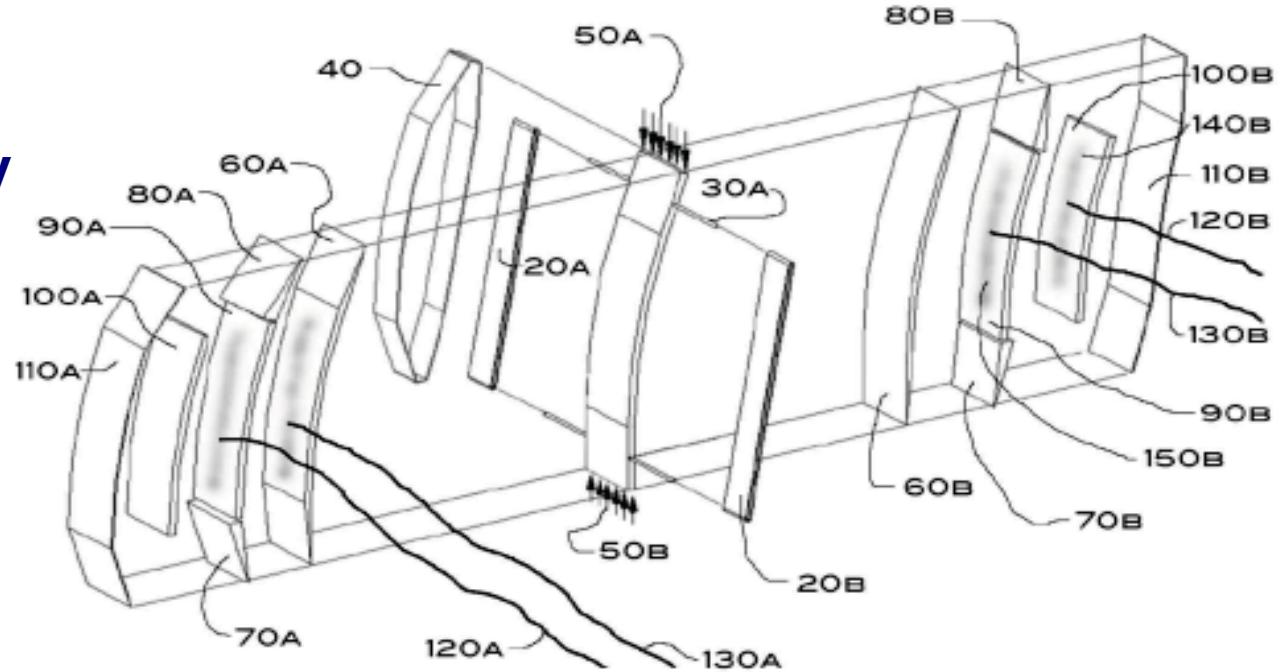
PBP Actuators: The FCS Solution

- Fraction of the weight, size & power consumption of US Actuators (i.e. much smaller actuator bays)
- 300+% deflection increases with full force/moment capabilities
- Higher bandwidth
- Lower g-sensitivity
- Lower cost

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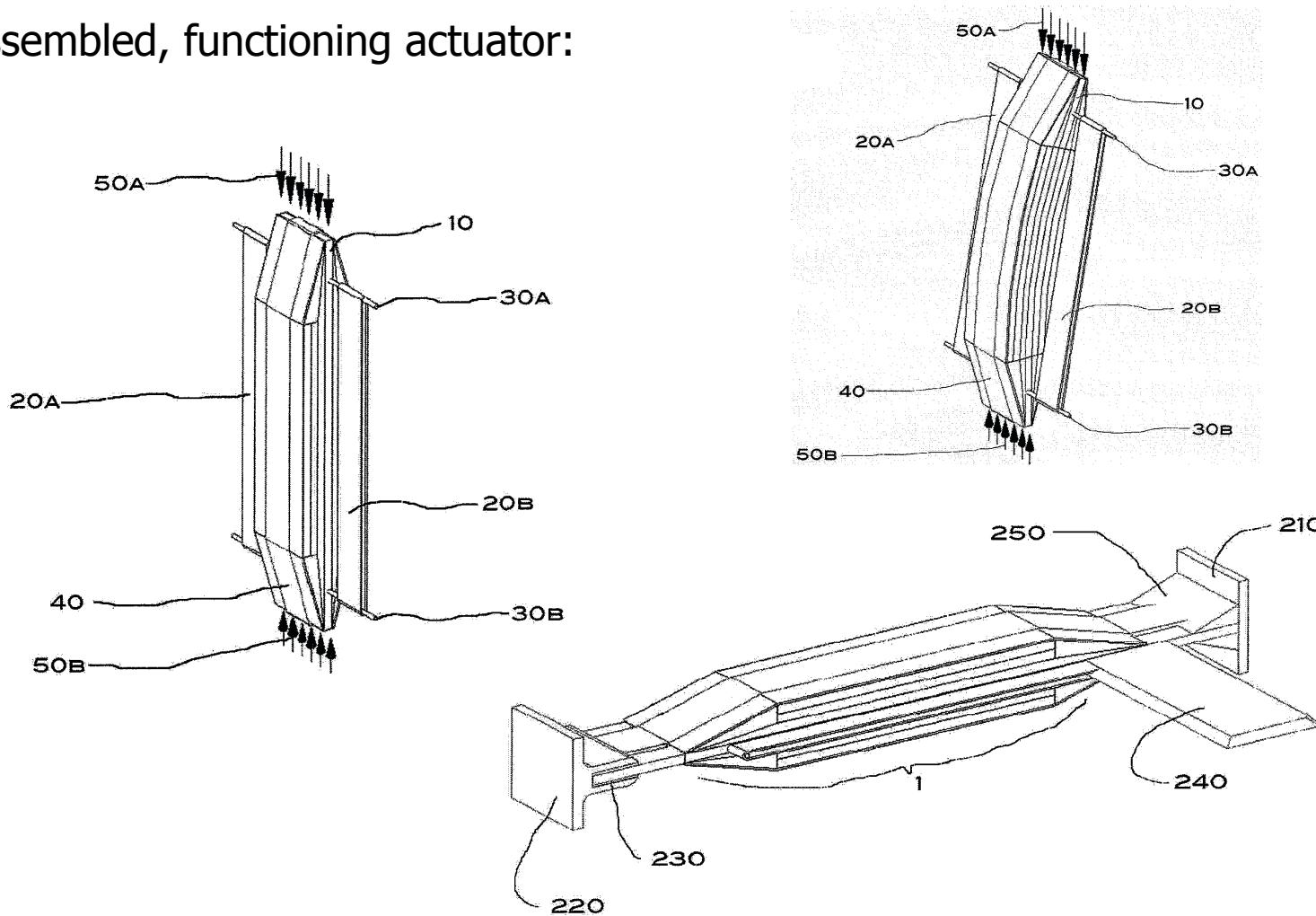
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PBP Actuators: Actuator Layout

Assembled, functioning actuator:



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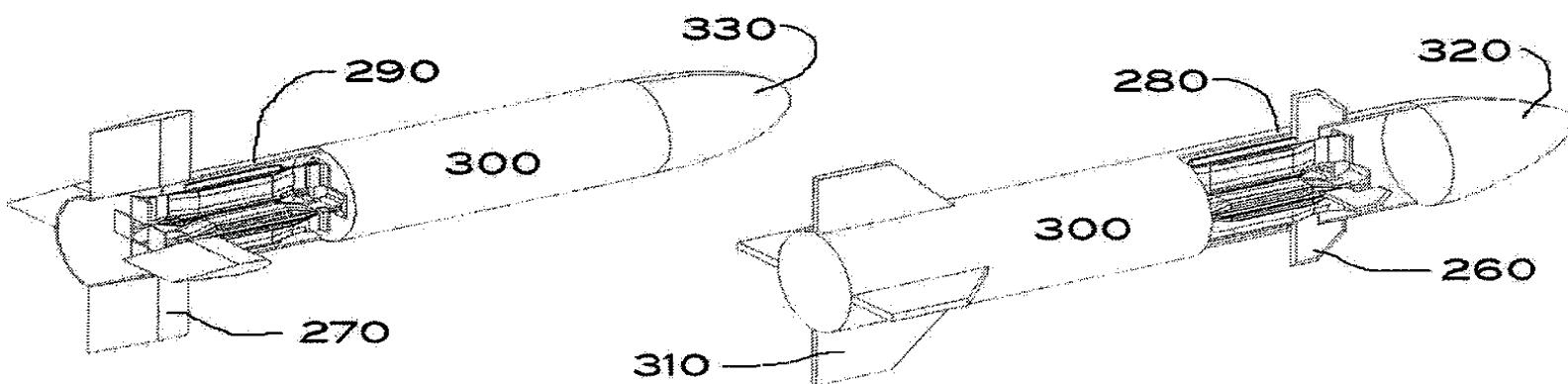
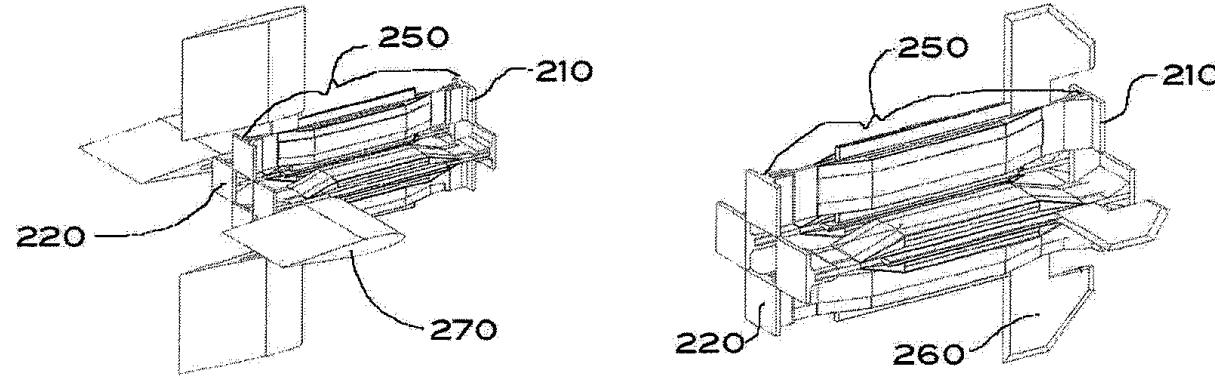
PBP Actuators: Assemblies

Assembled Hard-Launch Capable Actuator FCS Units:

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PBP Actuators: Fastest around...

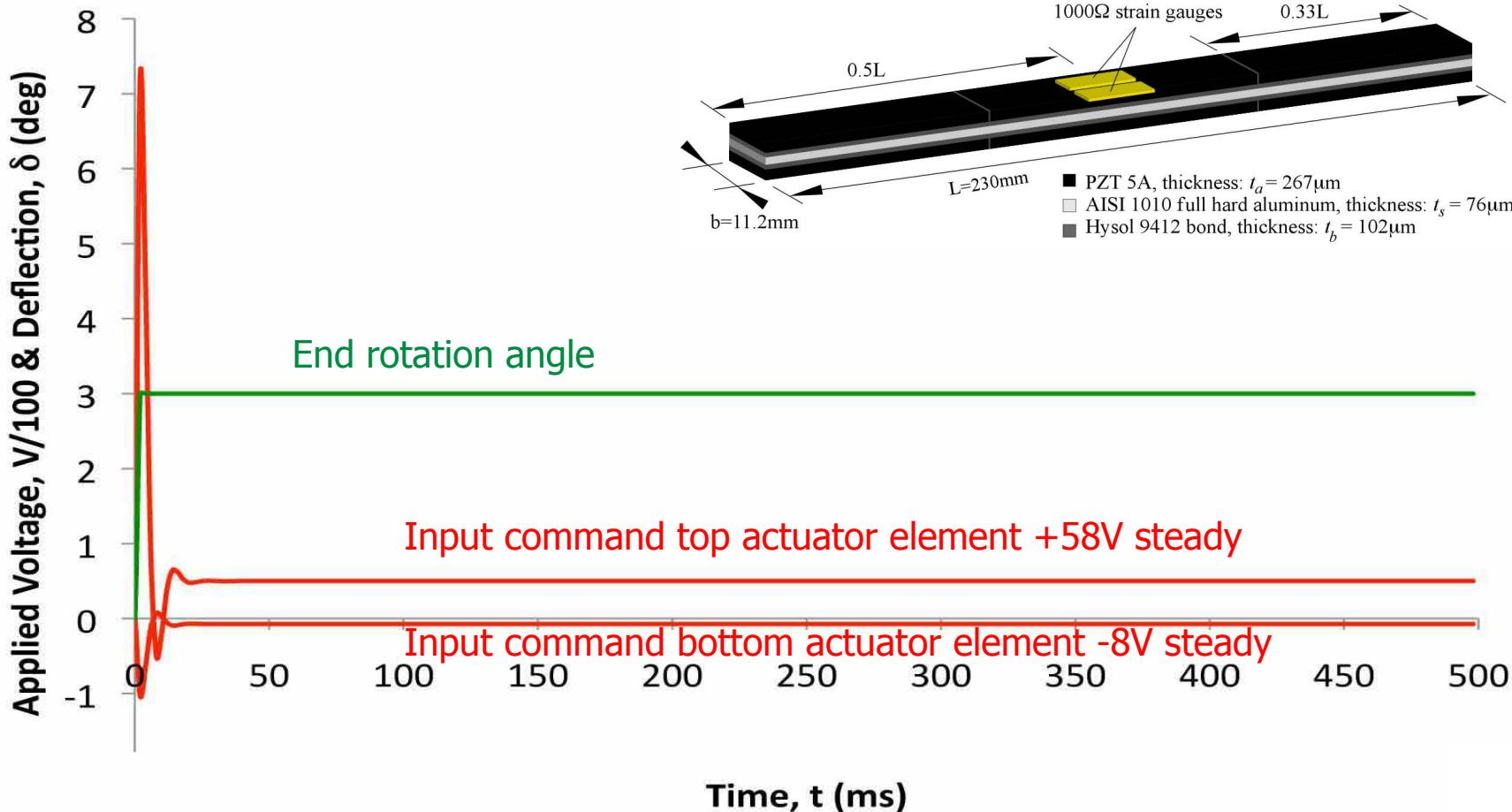
Best performance in the adaptive structures industry:

- **1kHz equivalent bandwidth**
- **Driving 0.40/.50 cal Mach 4.5 canards**

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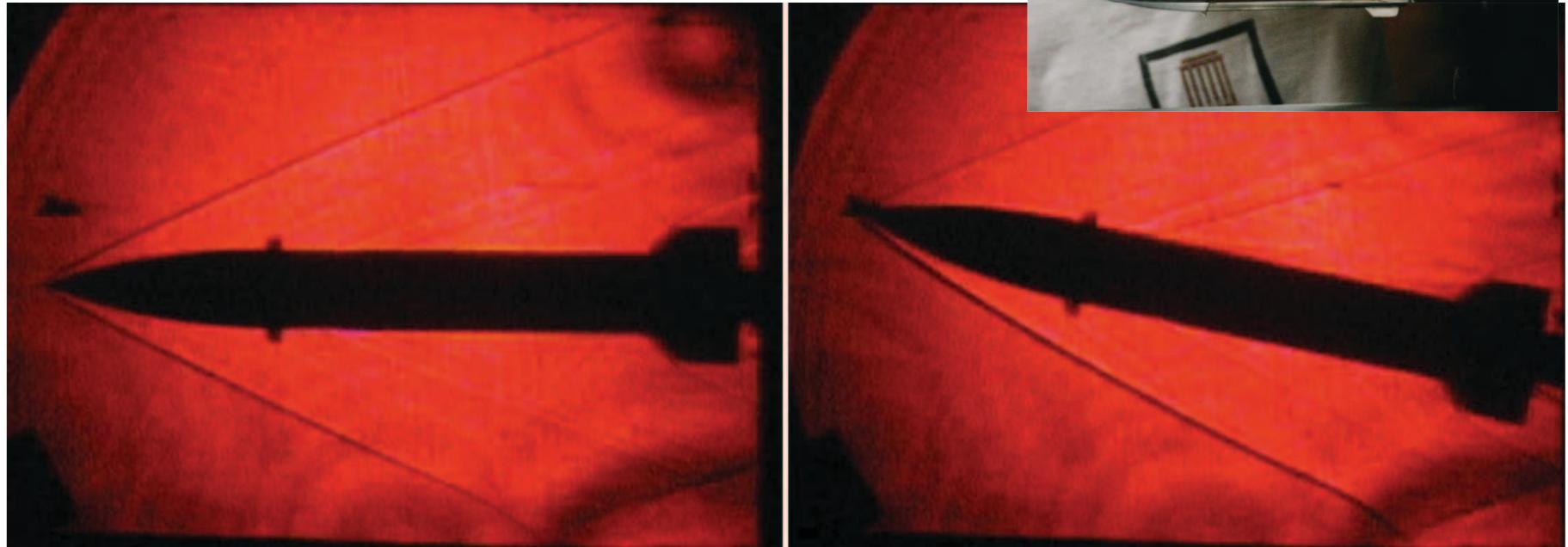


PBP Actuators: Real Performance!

Mach 3 Testing – FCS works well!

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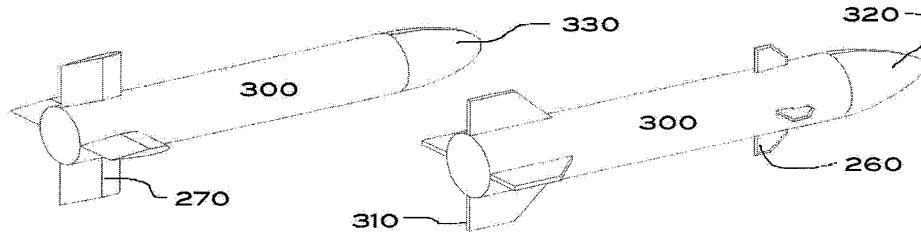
PBP Actuators: Munitions Comparisons

Smaller, Lighter, Cheaper – the Name of the Game

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	Conventional Electromagnetic FCS	Adaptive/PBP FCS
Volume	14cc	5.1cc
Mass	69g	4.2g
Peak Power	148W	2.6W
Deadband/Slop	$\pm 0.38^\circ$	$\pm 0.002^\circ$
Bandwidth	22 Hz	189Hz
Acquisition Cost (100,000 shipsets)	\$187 ea.	\$12.30



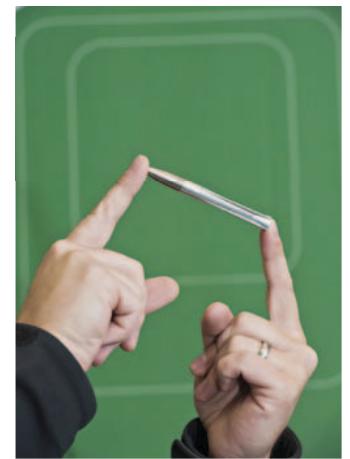
PBP Actuators: The Next Challenge

- Supporting Efforts akin to Sandia's Guided Bullet

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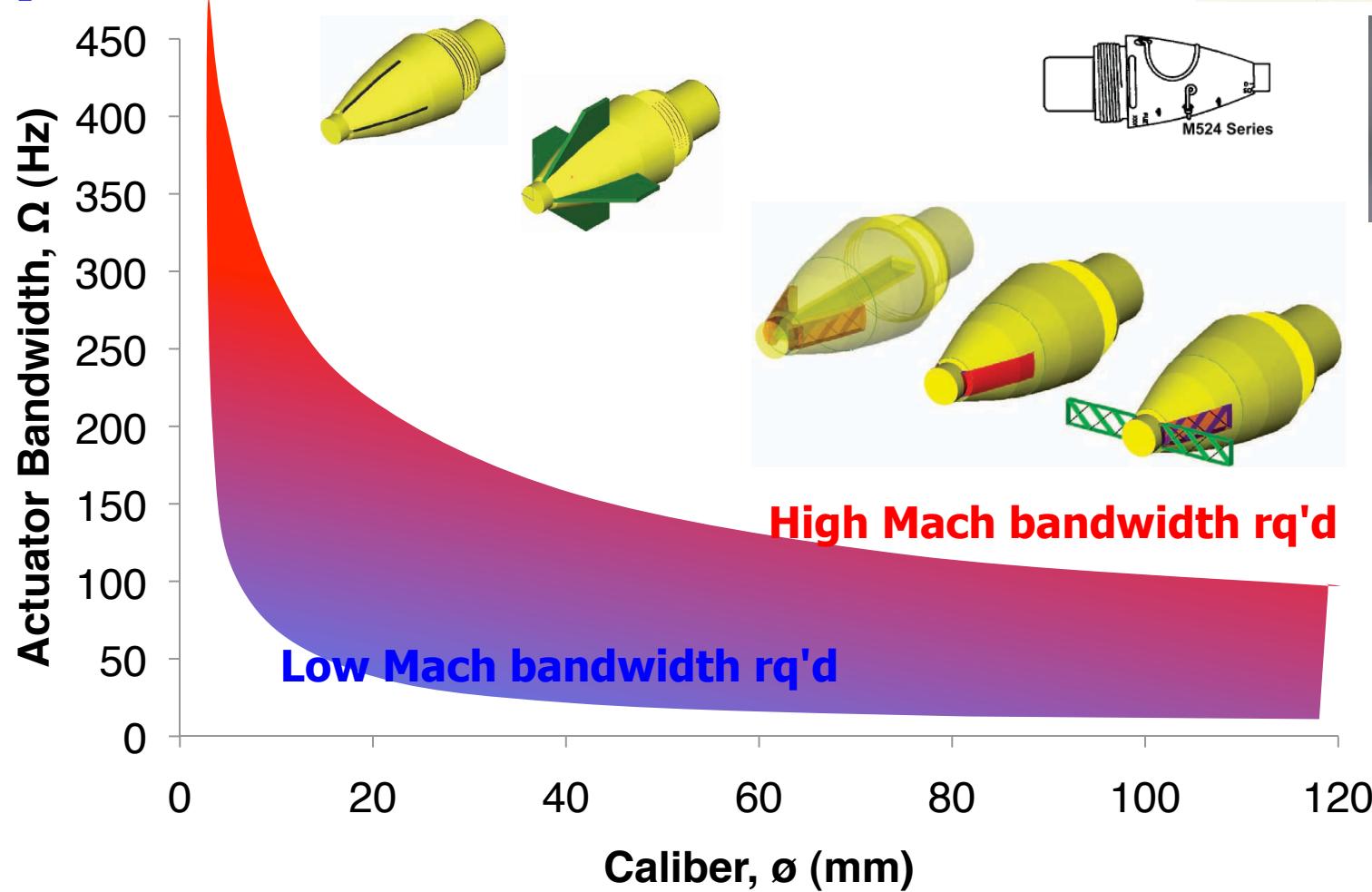


Adaptive Actuators: Rq'd & Available Bandwidth

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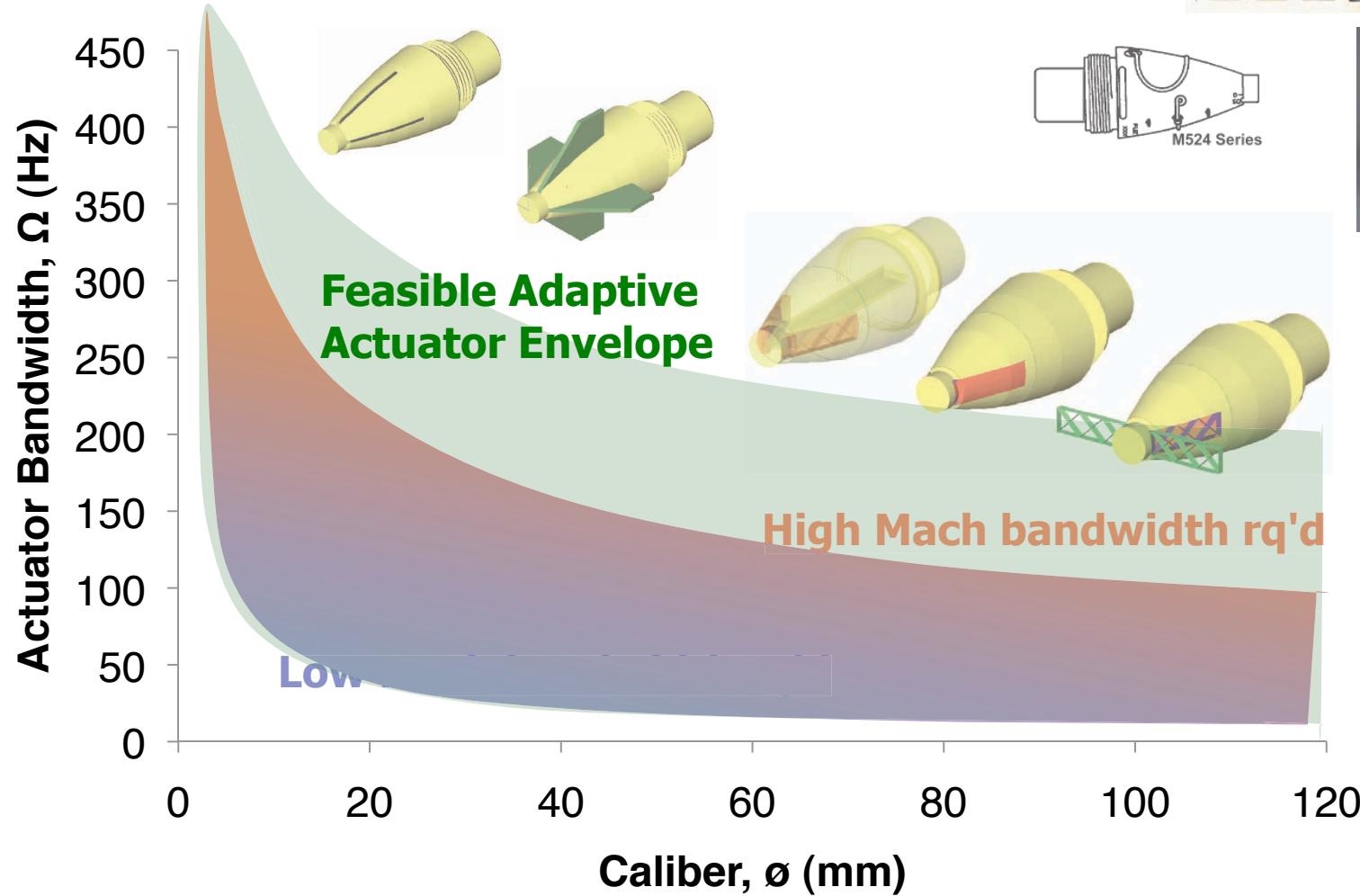


Adaptive Actuators: Available Bandwidth & Deflection

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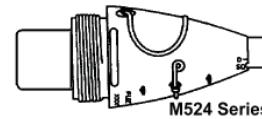
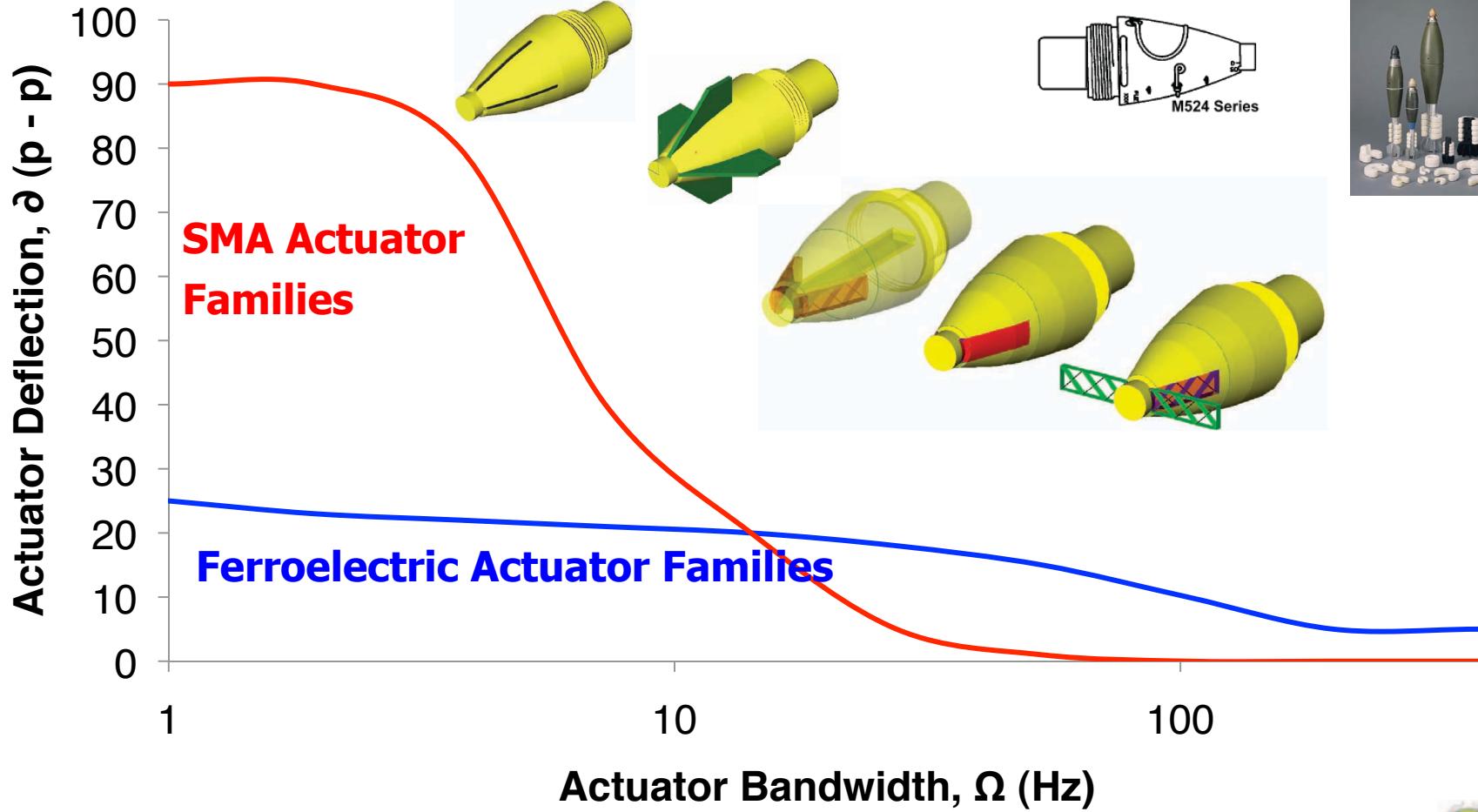
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Adaptive Materials and Aerostructures for Missiles, Munitions and UAVs

Short Course for:
Program Managers &
Practicing Engineers

Open/Unrestricted Course

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can be taught worldwide)

2 – 14 hrs, on site, up to 2 days

1. Nomenclature
2. History of the Field
3. Adaptive Material Properties and Modeling Techniques
4. Electrical Interface and Control
5. Aircraft Applications and Programs
6. Missile & Munitions Fundamentals & Programs thru early 2000's
7. Helicopter & UAV
8. Limitations
9. Future Directions



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Questions?

