

NavFire Product Family – Cost-effective Precision Guided Navigation Packages for Artillery, Mortar, and UAS

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NavFire Guidance System Outline

- Precision-Guided Artillery
- NavFire GPS
- NavFire Guidance System (NFGS) Design
 - Features
 - Subassemblies
- Core Functionality
- Integration
- Summary

Precision Strike Capability

- In today's battle space urban density can vary widely over small distances
- Rules of Engagement (ROE) require weapons that limit collateral damage
- Munitions with varying levels of precision could be required to meet ROE
- Air dropped and ground launched GPS enabled precision munitions provide low cost solutions to the War Fighter

Area Munition



120m Radius



10m Radius

Densely Packed Urban

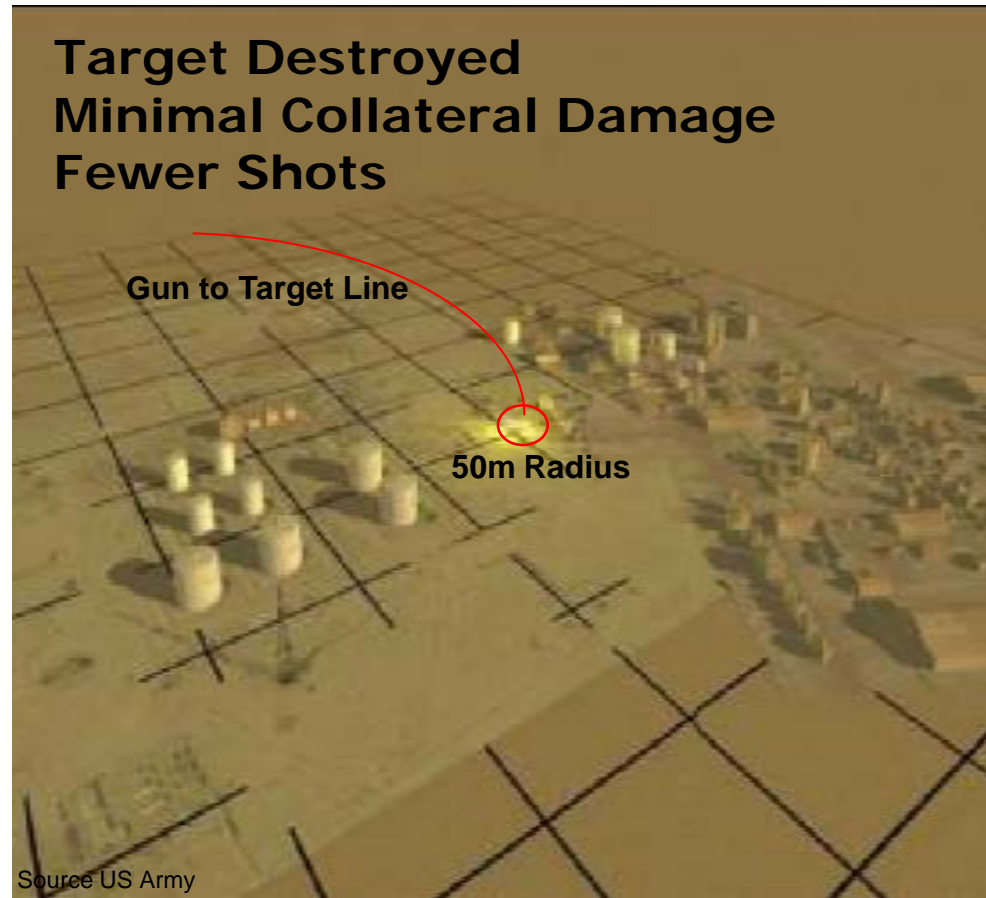


50m Radius

Sparsely Packed Urban

Precision Strike Operational Benefits

- All weather 24/7 continuously “loitering” precision capability
- Responsively and precisely attack targets... can precisely “mass” fires
- Minimizes collateral damage
- Increases Number of Kills per Basic Load of Ammunition
- Big reductions in logistics burdens and costs (less quantity and transport/storage)



NavFire Market

- Markets
 - Artillery and mortar market.
 - Artillery 155mm and 105mm
 - Mortars 120mm, 81mm, and 60mm
 - Government desires common GPS design
 - Hard to change GPS vendors mid-program
 - Prime contractor SW and HW are locked into that design.
 - Not a trivial or inexpensive
- Additional Market
 - Support Unmanned Aerial Systems (UASs) are future high volume market



NavFire Guidance System (NFGS)

- NFGS Scope
 - Support artillery programs
 - Support UAS platforms
 - Integrated guidance and navigation package
 - Reduce number of parts
 - More efficient design
 - Reduce integration time
 - Modular Open System Design

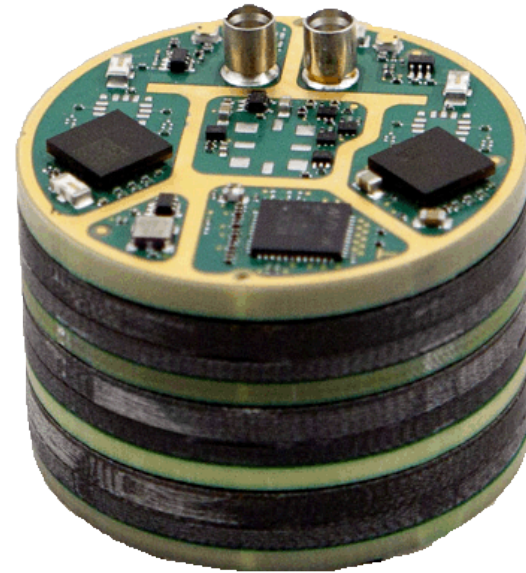


Artillery/Mortar Program Challenges

- Hostile Environment
 - High Velocities
 - Shock
 - Set-Backward
 - Set-Forward
 - Balloting
 - Canard/Fin/Wing Deployment
 - Rocket Boost
 - Spinning Round
 - Variable depending on platform, up to 350 Hz
- Space limitation
 - Due to artillery round ogive
 - Smart weapons fuze kit contains fuze and guidance system
- Shorter time to fielded system
 - Less time for design, implementation, integration, etc.
- Cost



The NavFire GPS and NavFire Guidance System



NavFire GPSR

- Integrated GPS and AJ
 - 2 RF channels
 - Scalable RF
- 2 Packages available
 - Mechanical Chassis and encapsulation
 - Embedded and encapsulation
- Gun Hard
 - Up to 25,000 G's
- Small form Factor
 - 1.64"Φ x 0.95" (42 mm x 24 mm)
 - 2.82 oz
- ≤ 2.8 Watts nominal
- Over 250 units built to date
 - LRIP scheduled July 2012
- GPS Directorate BDR – March 2012
- Qualification Testing
 - On track to complete FY2012, Quarter 3



NavFire Guidance System SAASM 3.7 Enabled

NavFire GPS Testing

- Gun Testing - ARDEC
 - 3 test dates in 2011
 - Shock ranges from 15 kG to 17.5 kG
 - Non-Functional
 - Mechanical Tests
 - Chassis and Encapsulation Survivability
 - Functional
 - Hardware/Software Verification
 - Oscillator Shock Effects
 - Live Sky Track not possible



NavFire Guidance System (NFGS) Features

- Small Form Factor
 - 42 mm outer diameter by 37 mm height
 - 150 grams
- Low Power
 - ≤ 5 Watts, nominal operation
- Performance
 - ≤ 6.0 second Guidance Solution availability (from Power On)
 - ≤ 5.0 meters CEP (standalone GPS)
 - ≤ 2.0 m/s velocity accuracy
- Same GPS card as standalone NavFire GPSR
 - Integrated 2-channel Anti-Jam
- Gun Hard to 25,000 G
- 10 Built/Tested to date – 1st Pass



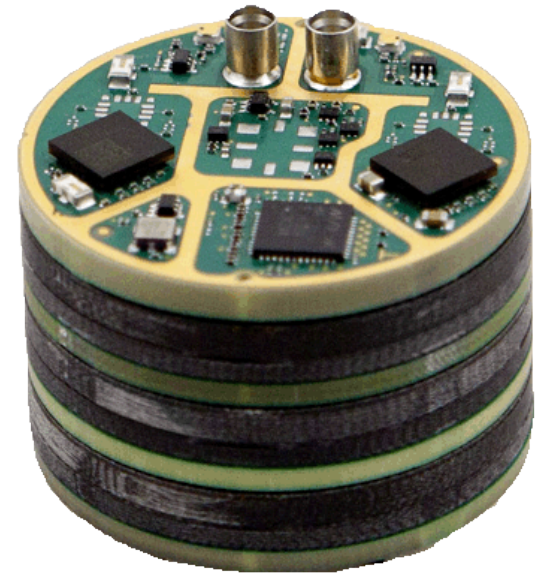
Core Functionality

- GPS Interface
 - Handles GPS message format, protocol, and GPS key data
 - Provides Pseudorange and Delta range (PR/DR)
 - Provides Position, Velocity, Time (PVT)
- Flexible message protocol
 - User defined messages
 - NFGS and user application share memory
 - NFGS defined messages
 - All data in NFGS defined messages available to user in memory
- Supports user guidance algorithms
 - Hosted on NFGS Mission Processor
- Provides Up-finding
- User's integration focus
 - Guidance, Navigation, and Control (GNC)
 - Fuzing

Integrated Package and Open Systems Design = Reduced Cost

NFGS Subassembly - Mission Processor

- Driven by GPSR oscillator
 - Common time reference
- Real Time Operating System
 - Linux RTOS
 - POSIX-compliant
 - Portable to other RTOS
- Deep Integration/Ultra Tight Coupling
- Interfaces to guidance sensors
- Provides Status and Control Information



NFGS Subassembly - Power and Signal

- User provided power
 - 4.75 VDC – 12.0 VDC
- Condition power for NFGS
- Primary power to auxiliary power switching
 - Supports Data Hold phase
- Charging circuit
 - Supports charging a super-capacitor
 - Used for Data Hold phase
- Provides all interfaces for the NFGS
 - Configurable for unique interfaces
- Common interfaces supports
 - Serial
 - GPS Key
 - 1PPS/TimeMark
 - Pulse Width Modulated (PWM)
- Artillery specific interfaces
 - FUZE
 - Enhanced Portable Inductive Fuze Setter (EPIAFS)

EPIAFS

- Handles EPIAFS inductive interface
 - Directly accepts Power and Data Waveform
 - Power
 - Charges user supplied super-capacitor
 - Charging circuit is included in NFGS
 - Super Capacitor size for artillery applications exceeds package diameter or height requirements
 - Used to power system during initialization
 - Data
 - Parses and routes data messages



NFGS Up-Finding

- Required for precise guidance
- Determine roll angle and roll rate
- Advanced Spinning Vehicle Navigation (ASVN)
 - Developed and patented by Rockwell Collins, awarded 2003
 - Determines when antenna system is facing the sky
 - Applicable for variable rotation rates (<10 and up to 1000 Hz)
- Magnetometer
 - Determines up based on Earth's magnetic vector
 - Hardware up-finding solution for high threat GPS jamming environment

Flexible up-finding solutions to address multiple CONOPS

NFGS Integration

- 70% Package Volume reduction, 40% reduction in part count
 - Compared to other federated or integrated GPS/MP navigation packages
- Up to 80% reduction in user integration time
 - Combines GPSR, Mission Processor, signal and power conditioning
 - Handles GPSR and EPIAFS I/O interface
 - User defined messages
- User's host software
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- EPIAFS interface
 - Power and Data Waveform
- Super Capacitor Charging Circuit
 - Logic and Hardware
- Full GPS Initialization
 - Artillery Timeline
 - Internal and User supplied data
- Message Traffic



Summary

- NFGS developed as a complete integrated Guidance System
- NFGS designed for precision artillery and mortar market
 - Small form factor
 - Gun hardened 25KG
- Reduces user integration time
 - Users focus on GNC and fuzing
 - NFGS handles I/O to/from sensors
 - Up-finding built in

Thank You



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