

Future Electronic Fuzing for Enhanced Effects



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Overview



- Definitions and History
- Fuze Functions and Categories
- Modern Electronic Solutions and Subsystems
- Power Supply
- Other Hurdles
- Summary and Conclusion

A little bit of (Fuze) History



Definition: "A Fuze is a Device that initiates an Explosive Function." [1]

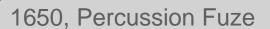






1990s, Sensor Fuzes

1980s, Electronic Multifunction Fuzes1940, Proximity Fuzes [called VT-, variable time-]

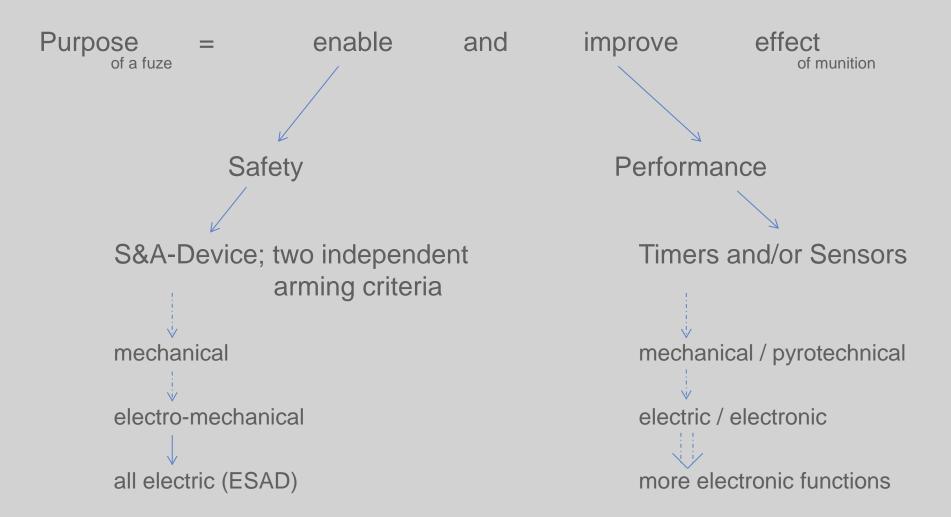


1421, Time Fuze – pyrotechnical – [Siege of St. Boniface in Corsica] Solid cannon balls did not need a fuze

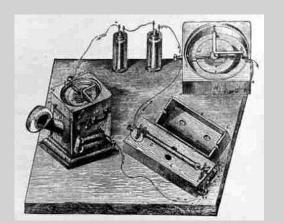
[1] Wikipedia: "Artillery Fuze"

Definition





Let's look aside





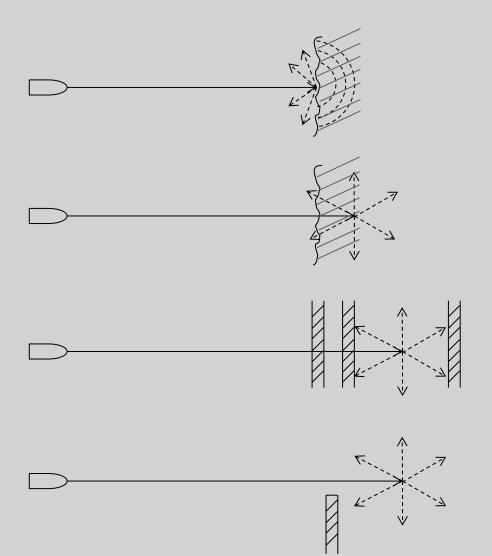






Fuze Functions





Point Detonating (PD)

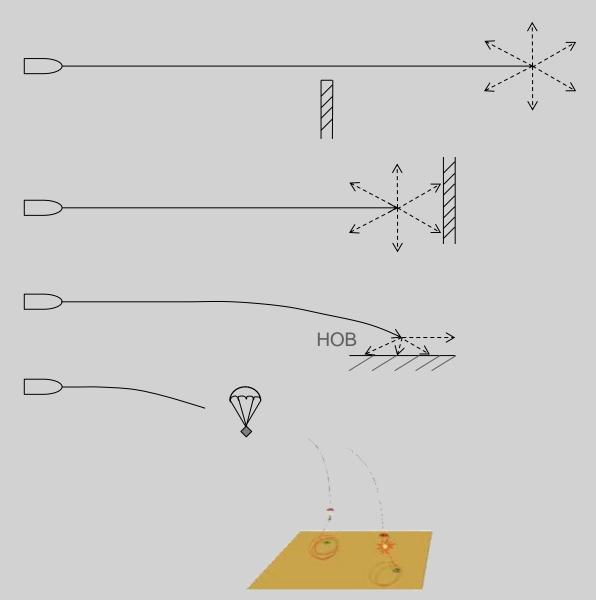
Point Detonating + Delay (PD + D)

Layer-/ Event-Counting

Airburst (T)

Fuze Functions





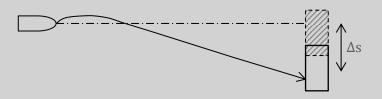
Self Destruct (SD)

Proximity (PX)

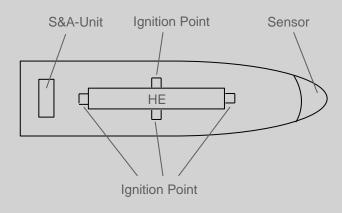
Target Detection

Fuze Functions





Course Correction



"Dial a Yield"
Selectable Warhead Function

Modern Electronic Solutions



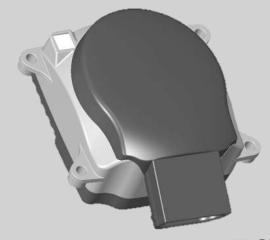
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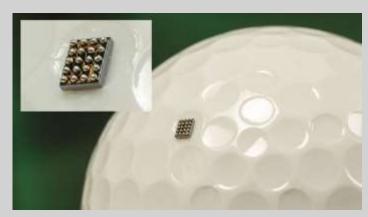




77 GHz Automotive Radar

Modern Electronics Subsystems





Microcontroller



9-axis Motion Sensor



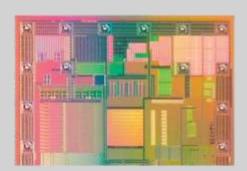
GPS-Receiver

Modern Electronics Susystems





3D infrared time of flight sensor





80x60 LWIR camera



Actuator



Single chip W-band radar



Power Supply



All new electronic Subsystems are

Low voltage 1.7 - 8.5 V*

Low current 5 - 110 mA*

⇒ Low power 10 - 300 mW*

Typical combinations for medium caliber

$$P_{Peak} = 50 - 500 \text{ mW}$$

flight times of 10 - 20 sec sum up to E = 0.5 - 10 J

Sophisticated Power management is required to lower Energy

^{*} for the examples shown

Power Supply



- Set-Back-Generators are far too small for these applications
- Miniaturized Fuze Batteries can do *

DEP-14103



50 mW; 3 J

DEP-14104



75 mW; 10 J

DEP-14202



500 mW; 100 J

TEPS plus a moderate size capacitor can do *

DEP-15001



100 mW; 100 mJ

DEP-15030



200 mW; 200 mJ

DEP-15060



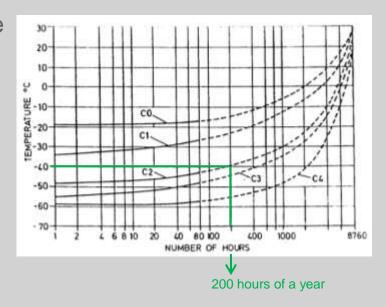
1000 mW; 2000 mJ

* See #16520

Other Hurdles



- All examples shown are commercial temperature range, -40°C ÷ 80°C
- Fuzes are usually -46°C ÷ 63°C (C2, AECTP 200)
- How critical is the gap of -6°C
 - geographically (colder areas)
 x
 time-wise
 - Northern Norway (Scandinavia)
 - Prairie provinces of Canada
 - Tibet
 - Much of the (former) USSR
- We see various ways to solve this issue!



Summary



- Electronic Fuzing can significantly enhance Effectivity of Future Munition
- Everyday Commercial Electronic Systems
 demonstrate the functions which can be achieved today
 → almost no limits
- Electronic Commercial Subsystems are suitable for very advanced fuze functions
- Power Supplies with the right power and energy with very long shelf life are available
- The AECTP200, -6°C issue seems to be no show-stopper

Let's do it!

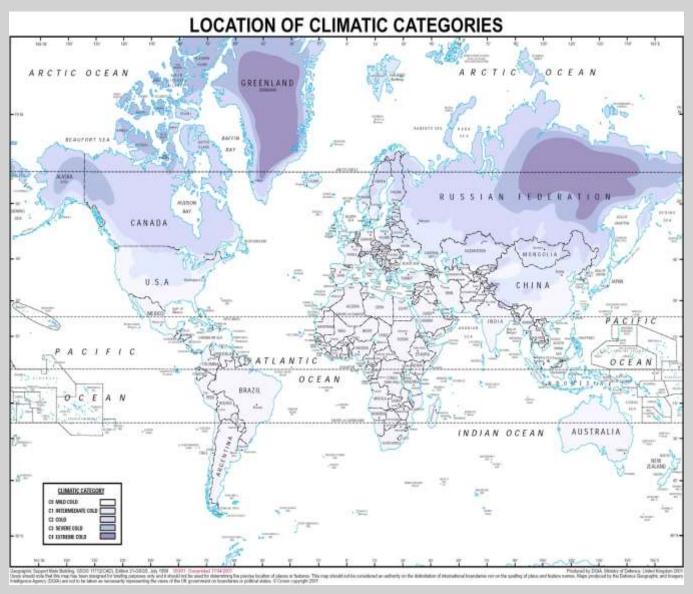


Thank you for your attention!

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