

GUN & ELECTRIC WEAPON SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT (E)



# **Active Denial Technology**

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- Relation to Radiation Spectrum
- How Active Denial Technology Works
- Legal/Safety
- Evolution of Active Denial Systems
- Gyrotron Theory
- Current Technology Development Efforts
- Questions



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### 95 GHz Radio Frequency Radiation







### How ADS Works



- Energy beam heats surface of skin
- Most of the energy is deposited in the first 1/64th inch
- This is where the nerve endings are located
- Causes thermal discomfort





### How ADS Works





### ADS/ADT Legal, Treaty and Policy Compliance

#### ✓ Multiple Legal Reviews Completed

- The development, acquisition, use and possession of the Active Denial System is allowed under U.S. Domestic Law
- Law of Armed Conflict

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- \* ADS does not cause unnecessary suffering that is disproportionate to the military advantage of using the weapon
- \* ADS is discriminate and capable of being controlled and directed against a lawful target
- \* There is no specific rule of law prohibiting the use of ADS
- ✓ ADS Arms Control Compliance Reviews Completed
  - ADS is compliant with relevant arms control treaty obligations







- Energy required to produce repel—Varies
- Energy level that results in injury—Stable
- Both are temperature related



Fluence (J/cm2)

#### ADS effect is thoroughly tested

- Human Effects Risk Characterization complete

   Over 700 volunteers and 11,000+ exposures (laboratory and field)
- Data extending back 15+ years
- Peer-reviewed research results
- Numerous independent reviews

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### Active Denial System Test NSWCDD



Testing of Active Denial System Demonstrator at NSWC in 2010.



Field strength and spot size measurements at representative ranges were collected.





#### Sensors used for Power Measurements



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> NWSCDD Sensor Array



AFRL Sensor and Resistive Fabric (Visual of spot via IR camera)

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### **Beam Formation**



RF Energy Pattern as it leaves the antenna



RF Energy Pattern forms into a coherent beam at the "Near-Field/Far-Field Boundary"





RF Energy Pattern on target area. Depending on antenna directivity and distance to target, spot size can be from a few inches across to several meters across.





### **Gyrotron Theory**

Electrons interact with magnetic field resulting in generation of electric field (RF)

RF Energy Exits

Remaining Electron Beam Energy Absorbed by Collector

Electrons leave filament , interaction with magnetic field results in electrons spinning around the magnetic lines of force. The frequency of rotation is determined by the strength of the magnetic field.



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### 100 KW Gyrotron

#### VGB-8095 Gyrotron Oscillator



CPI gyrotrons were the first commercially available high-power, long-pulse/CW, high-frequency devices for plasma fusion experiments and other scientific and industrial applications. CPI-MPP provides an extensive line of gyrotrons that cover frequencies from 28-140 GHz with power levels ranging from 10 kW to 1.3 MW.

The VGB-8095 gyrotron provides up to 100 kW of continuous output power at 95 GHz, and employs a compact cryogen-free refrigerator-cooled superconducting magnet system.

#### Features

- High Efficiency, Long-Pulse Operation
- Gaussian Output Beam
- CVD Diamond Output Window
- Diode Electron Gun
- Cryogen-Free Superconducting Magnet

Typical Operating Parameters

Power Output	100 kW
Pulse Length	CW
Cathode Voltage	-43 kV
Body Voltage	+7 k∨
Beam Current	5 A
Frequency	95±0.2 GHz
Efficiency	50%
Gyrotron Weight	375 lbs
Output Mode	TEM <sub>00</sub>







### Megawatt Class Gyrotron

### VGT-8115 Gyrotron Oscillator



CPI gyrotrons were the first commercially available high-power, long-pulse/CW, high-frequency devices for plasma fusion experiments and other scientific and industrial applications. CPI-MPP provides an extensive line of gyrotrons that cover frequencies from 28-263 GHz with power levels ranging from 25 W to 1.4 MW.

The VGT-8115 gyrotron delivers up to 1.2 MW of output power at a frequency of 110 GHz for electron cyclotron heating and current drive in fusion plasmas.







### **CPII 10" Planar Scanning Antenna**



- Scanning speed: 1500°/s
- Scanning range: ±45°
- Size: 24" x 16" x 16"
- Weight: 120 lbs

Power supply: weight = 50 lbs, volume = 1.4 ft<sup>3</sup>
Antenna Control Unit (ACU): weight = 10 lbs, volume = 1.0 ft<sup>3</sup>

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### **CPII 30" Planar Scanning Antenna**

Joint Non-Lethal Lens Scanner Antenna



#### KEY PERFORMANCE VALUES WITH STANDARD HARDWARE COMPLEMENT **RF/Electrical Parameters** 95 GHZ (nominal) Frequency range Beam width 0.30° 54.5 dBi (50% efficiency) Gain Side lobes 25dB (typical) Tall guide 0.10 x 0.267" (H, E plane) WR-10 available **RF** Interface Control interface RS-422 Mechanical Parameters (Nominal @20°C) Antenna 22L x 38W x 38H in Size Electronics cabinet 21W x 42L x 28H in Antenna 275 lbs Weight 60 lbs Electronics cabinet Beam Scan rate 1500°/sec Beam Travel ±45° conical region Power consumption 10 A @ 208 VAC , 3¢ 270 VDC Motor Voltage (max) 40 A Peak (max acceleration) Motor current 3 A Steady state Input Power 208 VAC, 3¢ 0.02° Pointing accuracy Software Interface User Interface GUI Linear scan (constant scan); variable speed

Point and Dwell on target

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Software controlled modes



Scan between multiple targets with user defined dwell on each target



### **Compact ADT Project** Collaborative project with UC Davis

**High Voltage Power Supply** (375 lbs, 21x24x32 in<sup>3</sup>) Laptop **Data Acquisition for Control System** Antenna Control Unit **Antenna Power Supply** Ion Pumps **CPI Malibu Antenna Multistage Collector** 10 kW CW WSBK Tube **Thermal Management Electron Gun inside Oil Tank DC-AC Inverter** 600 V Battery System Antenna and Stand-By Camera (main power) **Batteries** 

- Skid plate size estimate: < 48" x 36" x 72"
- Skid plate weight estimate: < 1500 lbs





# Questions

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