



TECHNOLOGY DRIVEN. WARFIGHTER FOCUSED.

State of the Art Session 1 – Private Personal Vehicles (Autonomous)

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Sustain:

- + Trust and Confidence
- + Reduced Operator Workload
- + Expanded Missions

Improve:

- Modularity
- Interoperability
- Collaboration
- Autonomy

*beyond
tele-op*

Each class comes w/ duration, mobility, comms & safety limitations

Man-Transportable

A central image of a soldier in a desert environment has five dashed arrows pointing to various UGV models: Micro UGV, Packbot FIDO, Mini EOD, SUGV, and another Packbot FIDO.

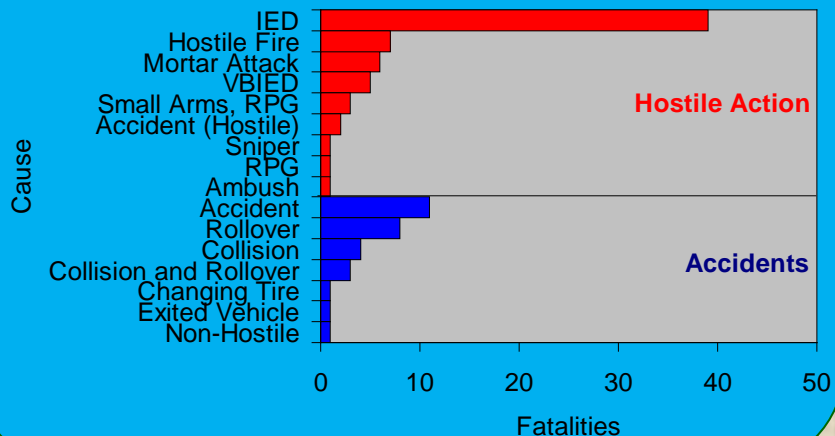
Vehicle-Transportable

A central image of a soldier in a desert environment has three dashed arrows pointing to UGV models: MDARS, SMSS, and MTRS. Below MTRS is another model labeled MK3.

Self-Transportable & Appliqué

A central image of a soldier in a desert environment has three dashed arrows pointing to UGV models: M160 Light Flail, HMDS, and CAST. The CAST model is circled in red.

Convoys Face a Spectrum of Threats



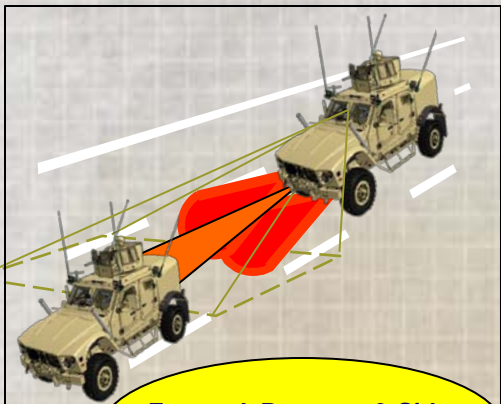
~1 in 8 Casualties Attributed to Convoy Missions in Iraq and Afghanistan

Convoy Active Safety Technologies (CAST)

Driverless technology for military trucks



OCP Active Safety Demonstrators (AMAS-Based Component Set)



**Forward, Reverse, & Side
 Pre-Crash Warning and
 Collision Avoidance**

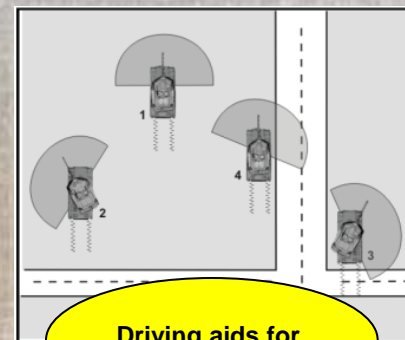


OCP Phase 1

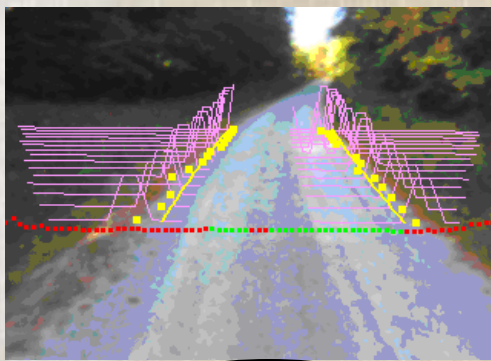


OCP Phase 2

360° Situational Awareness, Decreased Fatigue, Decreased Collisions and Rollovers, and Improved Vision under all Visibility Conditions.



**Driving aids for
 Improved Mobility**



**Unintended Roadway
 Departure
 Warning/Prevention**



**Improved SA and
 operator workload
 reduction**



**Motion Based Cueing for
 Pop Up/Close-In
 Target Detection**



**Provides SA to
 Soldiers immediately
 prior to dismount.**



X-by-wire kit

Autonomy kit

Electronic Architecture

Driving functions only

2 modalities

Human in vehicle

(i.e. shared driving)

Human NOT in vehicle

(i.e. remotely operated)

invariant across all missions for OMV



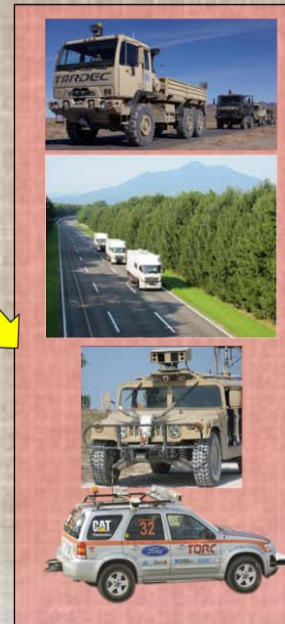
Mission Payloads

OMV can be driven by a soldier;
 OMV can drive a soldier;
 OMV can be remotely operated;
 OMV can be autonomous



Manned Vehicles

Optionally Manned Vehicles



Unmanned Vehicles

Optionally Manned Vehicle Taxonomy

Capability	Description	Comments
System Off	Current fleet, no intelligence or additional external sensors	All manned vehicles
Driver Warning	Additional sensors being added to monitor activity immediately around Vehicle. Info Task is shared	Blind-side detectors, collision warning, roll-over warning, V2I and V2V
Driver Safety	By-wire hardware being added w/ additional sensing. Info task shared and Control task occasionally taken by Vehicle for safety reasons	At this point, by-wire kit (brake, throttle, gear and steer) is integrated into the vehicle
Optionally Operated (Auto-Pilot)	Human still in vehicle but can 'willingly' give up control so that he/she can perform other tasks (autonomy kit first needed)	Under certain conditions, 'distracted driving' is the preferred mode of operation
Optionally Manned	All of the previous capabilities plus the additional feature of the vehicle being operated w/o a driver present and a OCU (e.g. convoying, perimeter security)	Includes emergency modes; Chauffer and Ambulance where I, C and R are Vehicle tasks

Work being done by OEMs

Military Specific

Semi-Autonomous Convoy (Leader/Follower)



Collision Avoidance



Driver Assist/Driver Monitor



Vehicle Dynamics Management



Intelligent Remote Control/Tele-operation



Prognostics/Diagnostics



Navigation
 Mobility
 Re-plan

Recognize
 Predict
 Respond

HUMAN INTENT

HOSTILE

BENIGN

ENVIRONMENT

STRUCTURED

UN-STRUCTURED

- Convoying (fuel/H₂O)
- Convoying (maneuver)
- **Base security**
- **Check point inspection**
- **EOD**
- **C-IED/Route Clearance**
- Persistent surveillance

- **Disaster Clean-Up**
 - **Engineering**
 - **EOD**
 - **C-IED**
 - **RSTA**
 - Persistent surveillance
 - Wingman
- 6.1/6.2 S&T Challenges**

- **Convoying (e.g. CONUS)**
- **Logistics warehousing**
- Sea-basing
- **Transportation**
- **Base security**

- Range clearance
- **Soldier training**
- **Decoys**
- **Mining**
- Natural disasters (e.g. Hurricane Katrina)
- **Rescue robotics**

COTS Technology
 Large ROI

EHI Risk Matrix

Current Missions in **BOLD**

ARIBO = Living Lab





ARIBO

Personnel
Transit

Convoy
Logistics

Medical
Logistics

Airfield
Ops

Range
Clearance

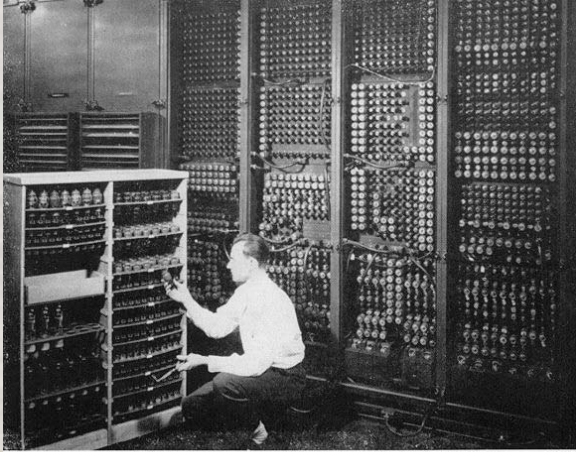
Warehouse
Logistics

Seabasing



Feed the Roadmap





Replacing a bad tube meant checking among ENIAC's 19,000 possibilities.

Computers (ENIAC)



Networking (ARPANET)



Dwight D. Eisenhower National System of Interstate and Defense Highways



GPS



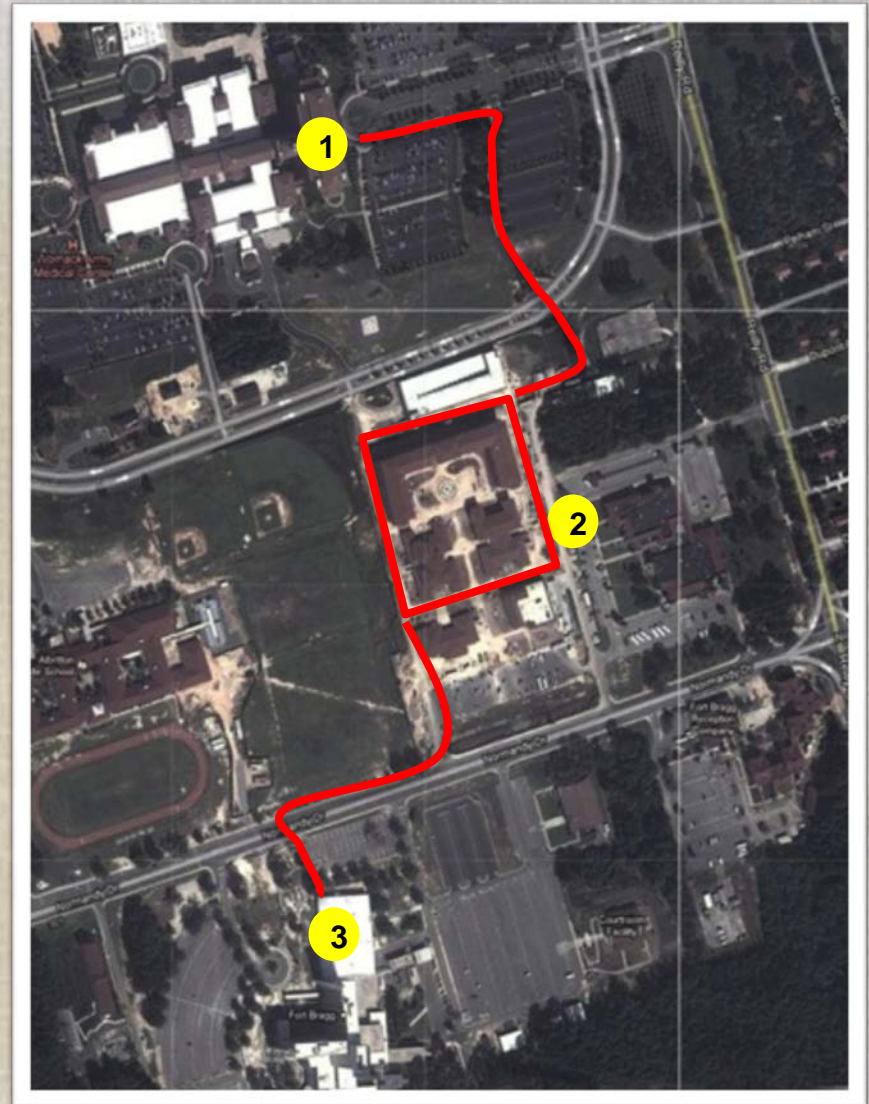
Automated Vehicles

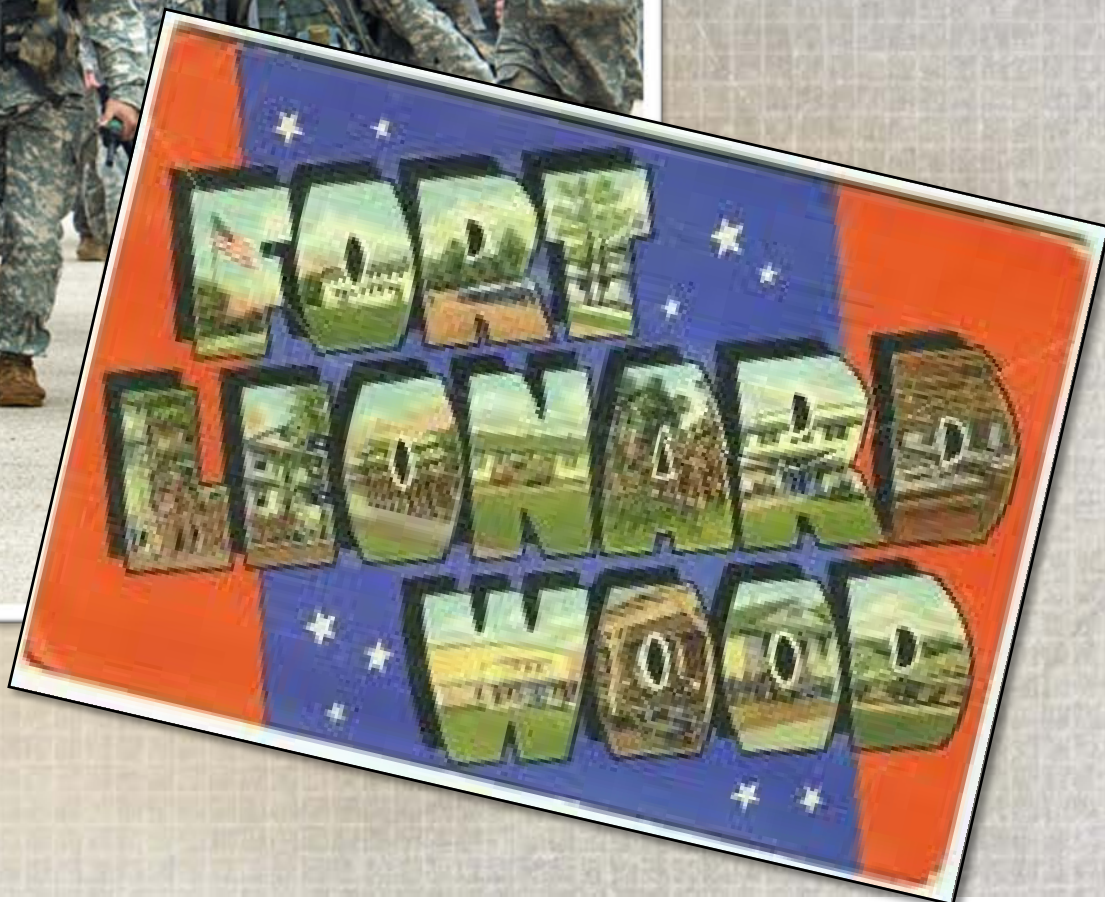




Connect Womack Medical Center to the Warrior Transition Barracks and the Soldier Support Center.

- 20 vehicles moving soldiers to 400 appointments per day







Practical to Tactical Apps:

1300 students get bused to lunch everyday FROM ONE training range.

- 25 buses needed
- 13 buses available
- **Not Enough Drivers**

2 Ideas!

1 Driver for a dozen trucks/buses



Convoy Active Safety Technology (CAST)



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Estimated Impact:

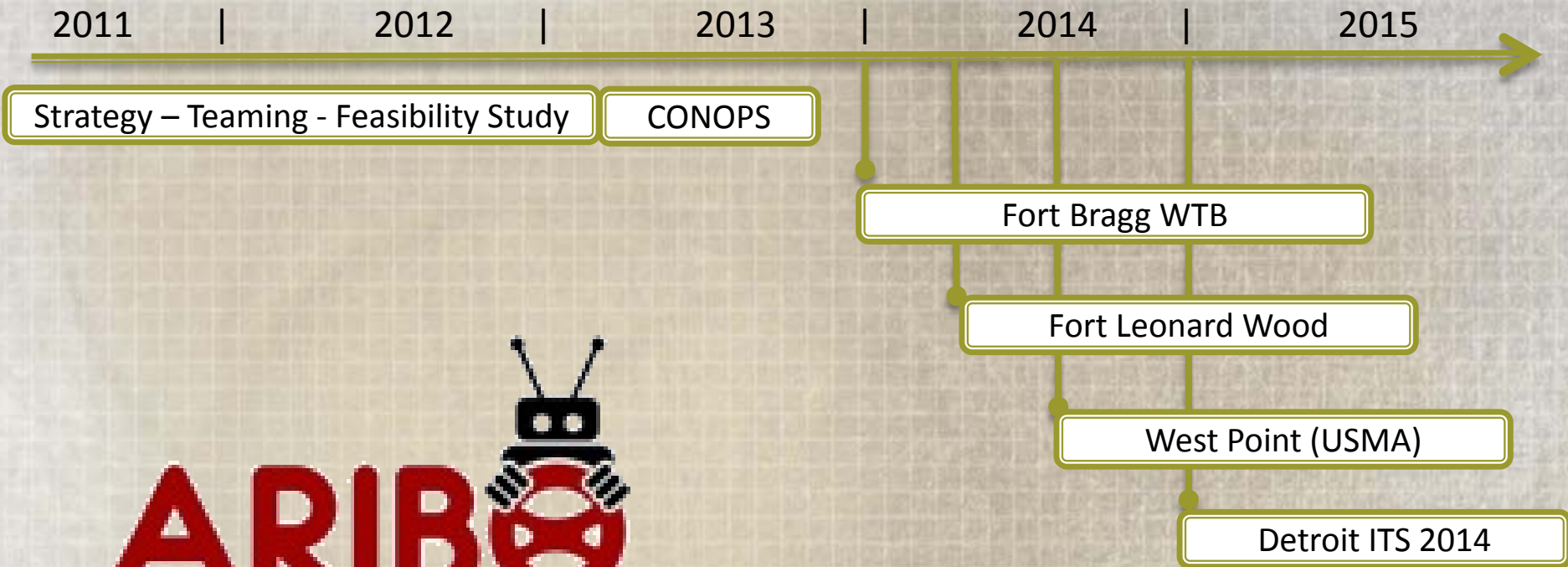
- Training time = + 975 hrs/day
- Cumulative Training Time = - 2 days/mo
 - 9 weeks to 8 = - \$325,000 (rough est.)
- NON-Value added time = - 950 hrs/day
- Driver Time = - 39 hrs/day (7,800/yr)
- Fuel Savings = 8,000+ gal/yr

Take the food to the soldier...

Potential Annual Savings:

\$505,000

**** Napkin Calculation**





Questions?

