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Disruptive Technologies Timeline



Massive disturbances occur with the introduction of disruptive technology. Life before and after a disruptive technology is fundamentally different.

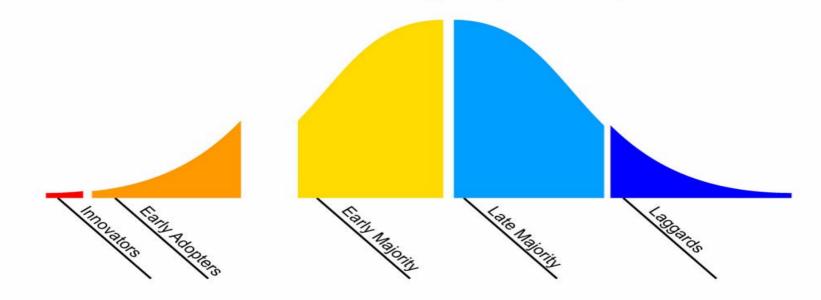
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CROSSING THE CHASM

High-Tech Marketing Illusion

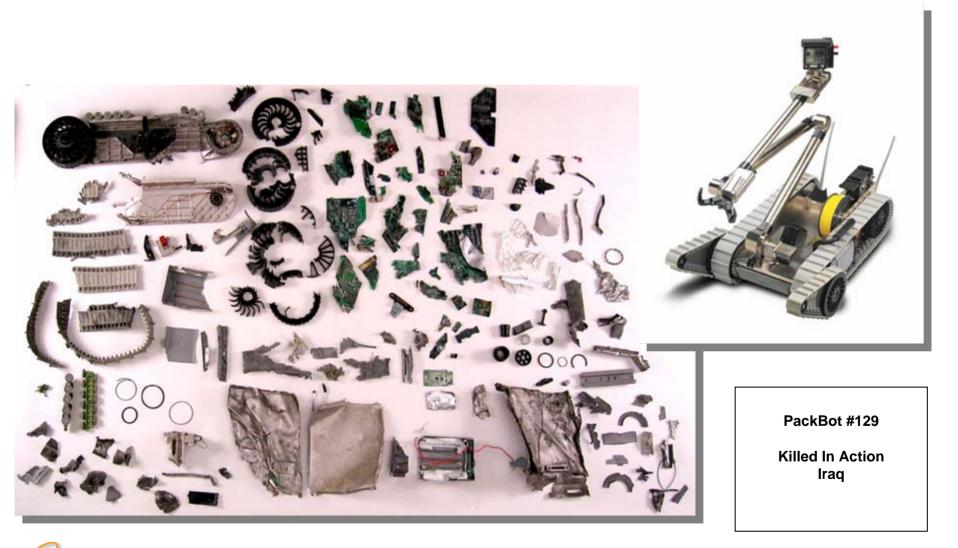
The Revised Technology Adoption Life Cycle





"Crossing the Chasm" by G. Moore, Harper Business Essentials











PackBot w/ Recon kit, Afghanistan, 2003



PackBot w/EOD kit, Iraq, 2006



PackBot w/Recon



PackBot w/Advanced Recon kit



PackBot w/EOD kit



iRobot SUGV for FCS Exp. 1.1, WSMR 2007



iRobot Warrior X700





- Introduced in 2002
- 2 million units sold
- 1% market penetration







Air Assault Expeditionary Force (AAEF) Experiment, Ft. Benning, GA 09 Dec 2005

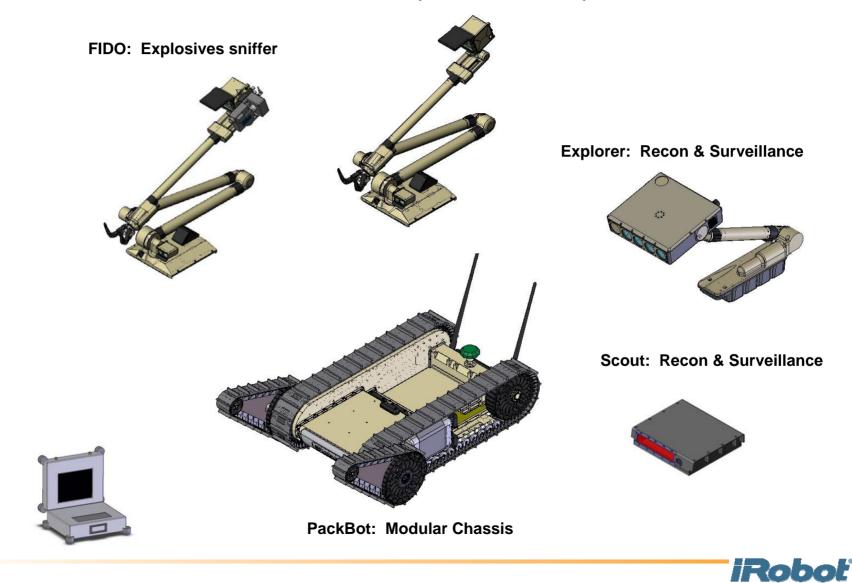
- Scene: 09 Dec 2005 -- The experimental force commander and five of his team (from team leader to trooper) at Q&A session chaired by Gen William S. Wallace (new TRADOC 4 star)
 - First question: "Captain, of all the new technologies and capabilities you've used during this AAEF experiment, which one single piece would you deploy today?"

Answer: "Sir, the Packbot (Explorer.)"

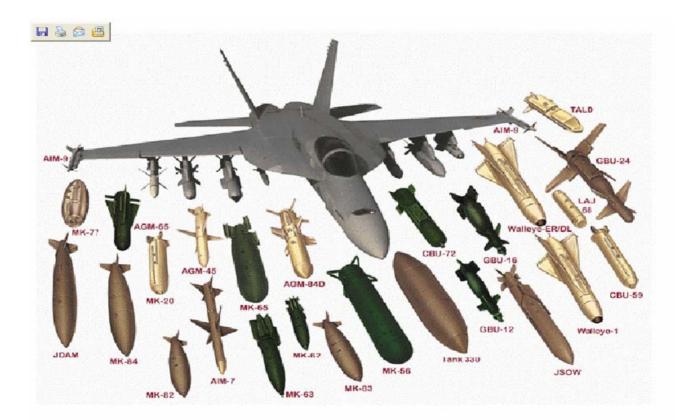


PackBot: Digital Modular Architecture

EOD: Explosive Ordnance Disposal



Digital Architecture & Systems Integration







Nomadics FIDO + iRobot PackBot

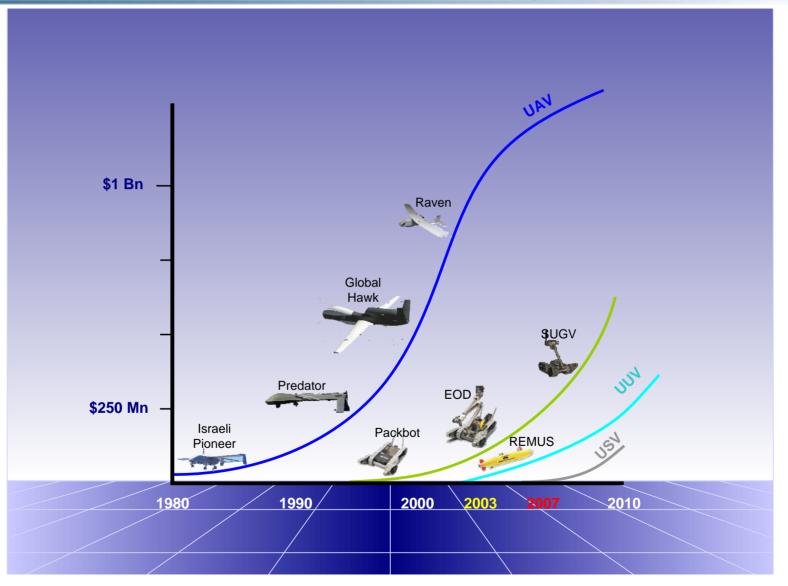




"FIDO was able to detect explosives 80 feet away. This allowed separation of the Soldiers and dog from the bomb, thus saving lives. . . ."



Market Maturation of Unmanned Military Vehicles





Computers 1978 = Robots 2001

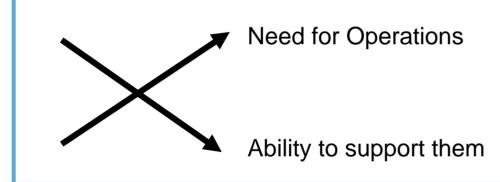
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Military Engagement – The World is a More Dangerous Place

- High tempo military operations and a dramatically lower tolerance for causalities and POW's.
- U.S. volunteer force resources are being stretched



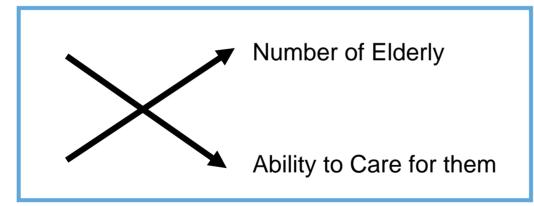
We have over 350,000 SOLDIERS overseas in 120 countries

 The US cannot afford to spend our way out of this problem using current technology and doctrine

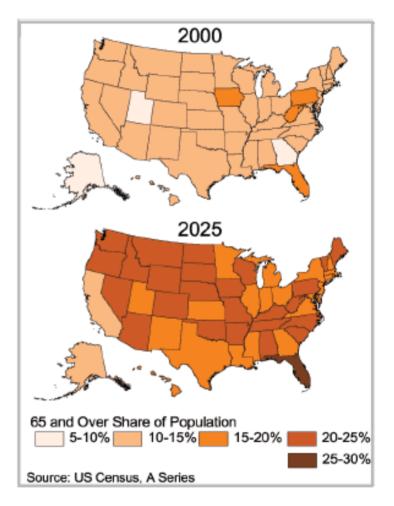


Long Term Driver

- Our current ability to care for the elderly is barely adequate and in decline
- A massive increase in the number of elderly people is imminent

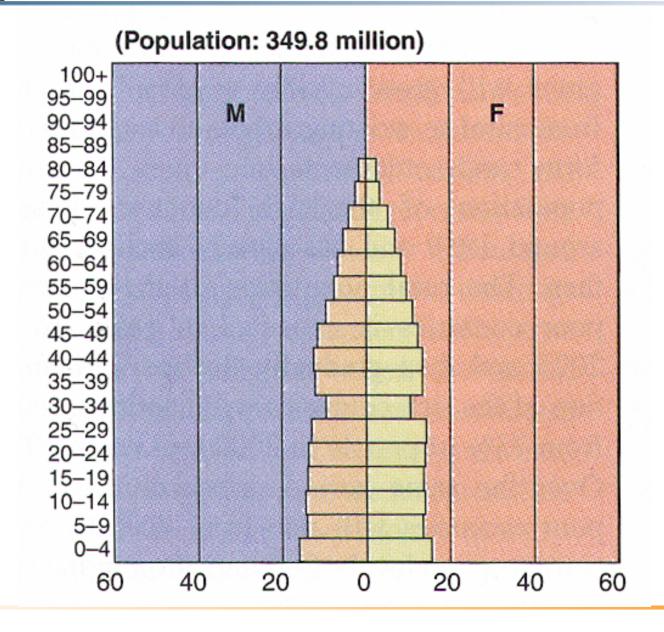


 We cannot simply spend our way to a solution.



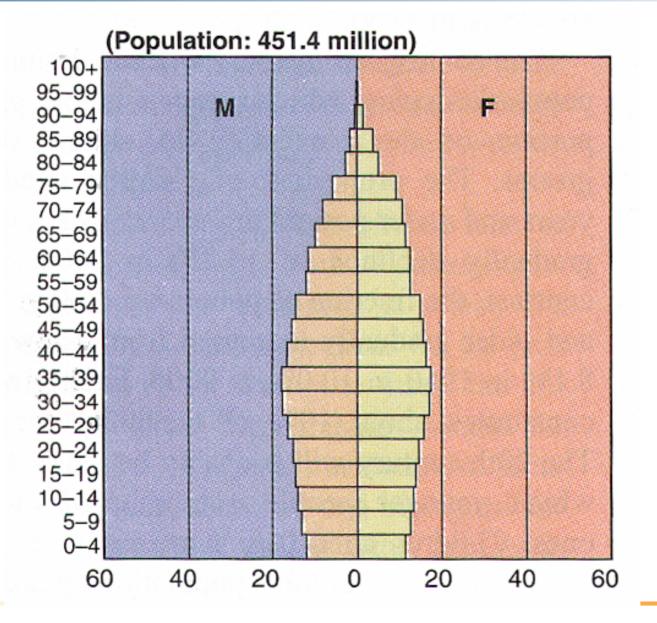


Europe - 1950



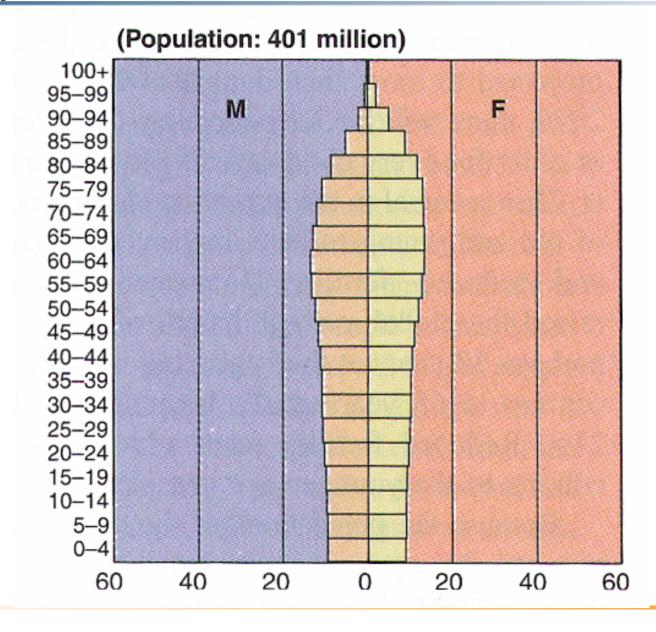
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Europe - 2000



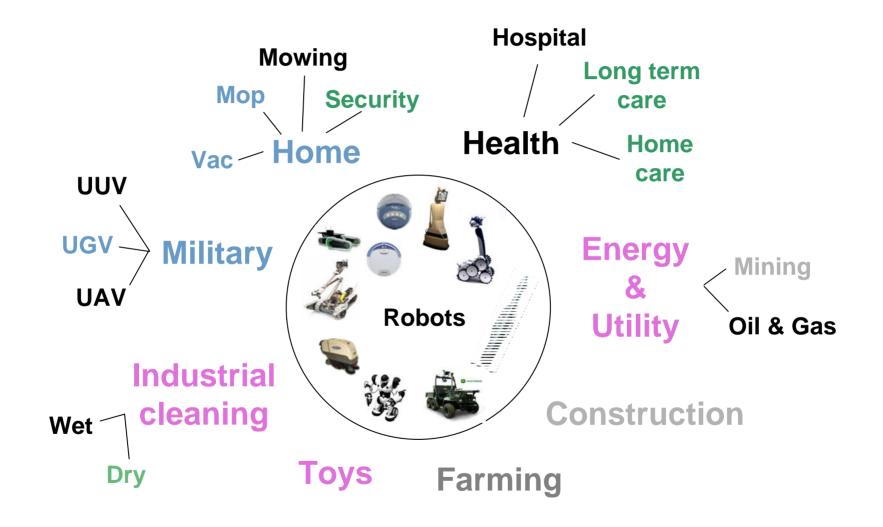
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Europe - 2050



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The Robot Industry





Soldiers will find more missions for robots than expected





Consequences

- Potential to completely change the world's labor markets from the way they have developed over the last 50 years
 - change the need for low-cost labor migration
 - change the face of out sourcing
 - significantly impact the labor requirements for eldercare in societies with changing demographics
 - CHANGE THE WAY THE MILITARY OPERATES
- Potential to create an economic tsunami that rivals or surpasses the silicon valley experience



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