

Emerging Technologies & Security

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Assessing Emerging Tech

- **Understanding “emerging technologies”**
 - What are those new developments at cusp of science and application that may have major impacts on global society overall and in particular on “security” aspects of society?
 - **What are tech trends and prospects?**
 - **Who is likely to have what capabilities?**
- **What are implications of “emerging technologies” on security?**
 - Must also understand the policy processes and mechanisms for “emerging techs” and their prospects— who is doing what to explore, develop and *implement* the technology?

Emerging technologies don't “just emerge”—they're made to emerge through purposive action

Emerging Technologies [one list...]

- **Technotronics**—from microelectronics to nanotronics, quantum-spintronics and biotronics
- **MEMs**
- **Nano Tech**—nanomachines, self assembly, nanotubes
- **Mobile telecommunications networks**
- **Sensors and Sensing systems**—smart sensors, distributed sensing, RFID, sensor nets and swarms, biosensors
- **Info tech**—virtual reality, ubiquitous computing, grid computing
- **Robotics**—intelligent systems, robot teams, nanobots, human augmentation
- **Autonomous Systems**—unmanned combat air vehicles, organic air vehicles, micro air vehicles, UGS, UUVs/USVs
- **Biotech**—genetic engineering, bio-diagnostics, bio-remediation, bio-weapons
- **Energy & Propulsion**—fuel cells, directed energy, superconductors

Emerging Technology—other prospects...

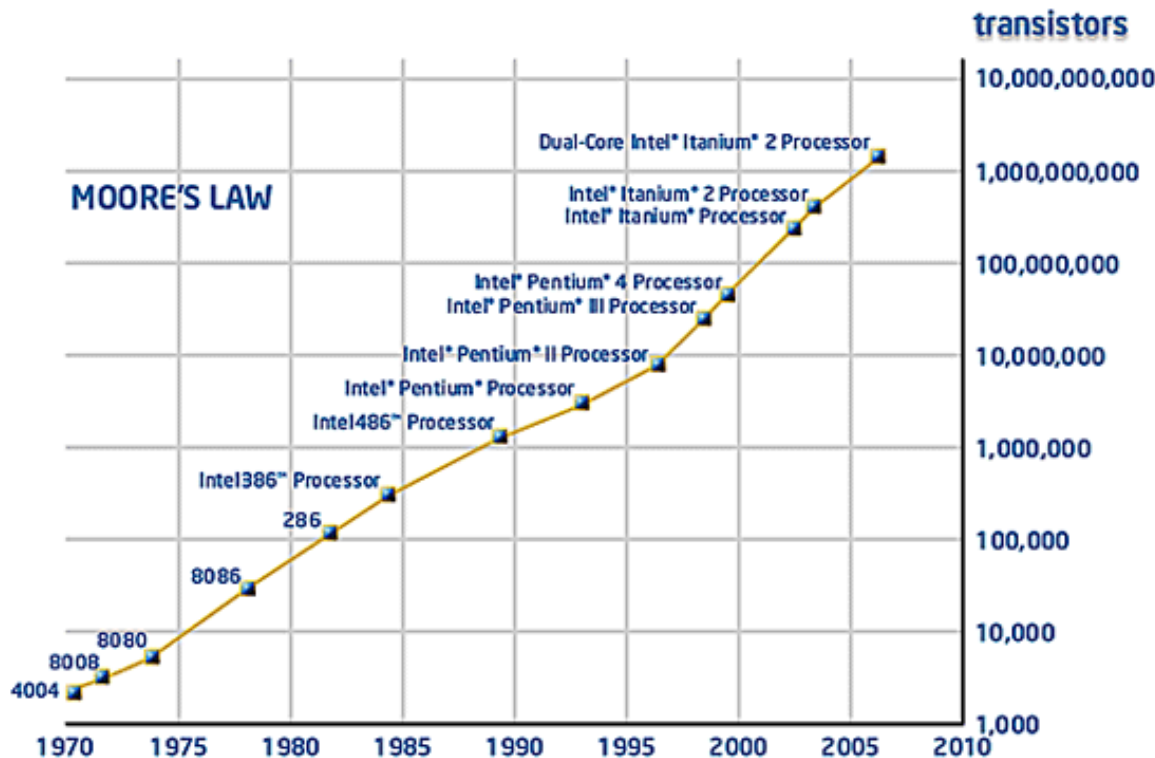
- Engineered materials—application-specific materials-- electrically active polymers, bio-engineered materials
- Advanced displays—flexible displays, holographics
- Cognitive processing—aided cognition
- Universal translation
- Alternative energy—biomass; solar; fusion...
- T-rays (terahertz radiation)
- Synthetic fuels
- Alternative propulsion—nutating engine, etc.
- Microfluidic optical fibers
- Volumetrically controlled manufacturing
- Telegenics—virtual tele-presence
- Psycho-pharmaceuticals
- Synthetic biology
- Bayesian machine learning
- Humanoids.....

Any list of emerging tech is
[1] arbitrary
[2] judgemental
[3] partial

Technotronics

The technological wherewithal that makes cyberspace possible

Cyberspace--nexus of computer systems and networks, in which electronic data are stored and communication takes place.



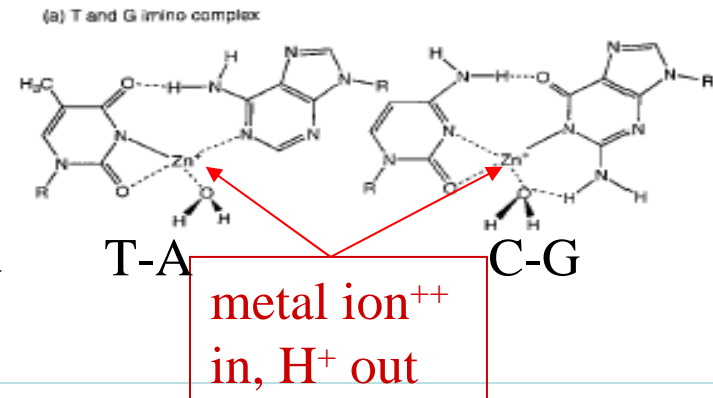
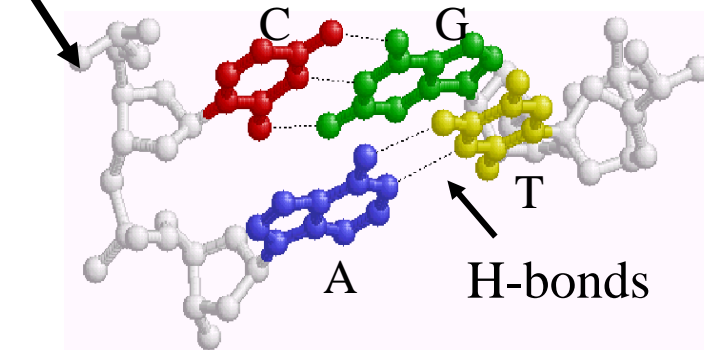
- Approaching physical limits
 - “Moore’s Law”—the implications of smaller feature size
- Moore’s Law is a *behavioral projection* based on faith in human ingenuity and business opportunity—it is not a physical law.

Beyond Moore's Law: Spintronics / Biotronics?

- **Spintronics**

- Uses electron's "spin" to determine its state with potential to create computing devices that are considerably faster than current silicon devices.
- Spintronics should also, in theory, dissipate little heat

- **Biotronics?**



Molecularly changing DNA's conductivity by replacing imino protons of base pairs by metal ions

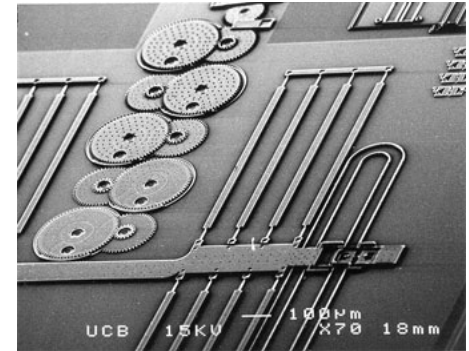
What do we get?

Metallic Conduction through Engineered DNA: DNA Nanoelectronic Building Blocks

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MEMS → MEMSification

- Accelerometers for controlling auto air bags, arming and safing of weapons
 - Today, because of MEMS, the accelerometer and electronics are integrated on a single chip at a cost of under \$10. The small size (about the dimensions of a sugar cube) provides a quicker response to rapid deceleration.
 - Intelligent tires....
- Fail-safe locks for nuclear weapons
- Micronozzles that direct the ink in inkjet printers
- Miniature robots (micro-robots); micro-tweezers
- Video projection chips with a million micro-mirrors
- Defense and aerospace
 - Navigational gyroscopes,
 - Sensors--border control, environmental monitoring
 - munitions guidance
- Medicine
 - Microfluidic DNA Analysis
 - Disposable blood pressure transducers
 - Hearing aids
- Telecommunications
 - Cell phones—integrated systems-on-chip
 - MEMS-based optical switches



Nanomems

Nano-MEMS

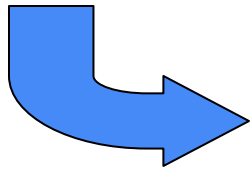
- Nano → molecular-level, self assembly of system
- Chemical
 - Nano-wires
 - “Three-dimensional MEMS with functionalized carbon nanotubes”
 - Nanoelectronic building elements for nanoMEMS and bioMEMS
 - Carbon and ceramic microcoils for MEMS by microwave CVD
- Biological
 - DNA-based structures
 - Virus generated

MEMS-based nano-systems may be key to future sensing and perhaps future autonomous robotics

3rd Generation Information Technology

DARPA impact — From computers to Interactive Information

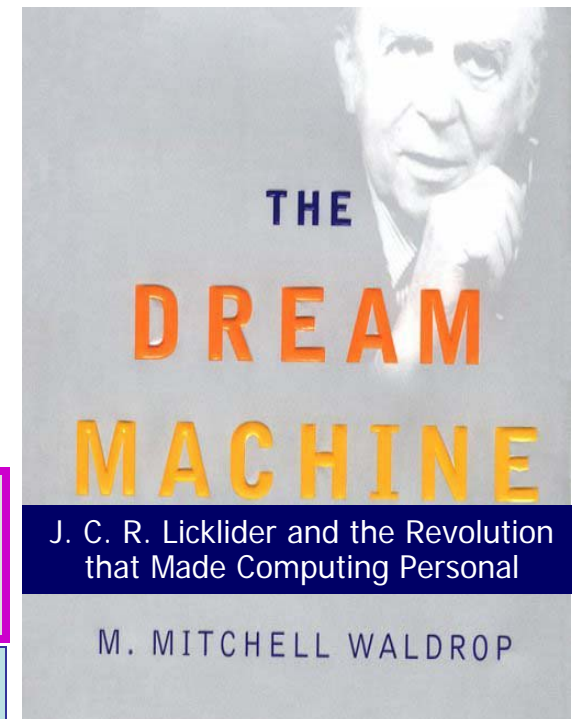
- DARPA and Info Tech—“Toward Man Computer Symbiosis”
 - Making computers interactive
 - Internetted computing
 - Virtual reality



Intelligent systems

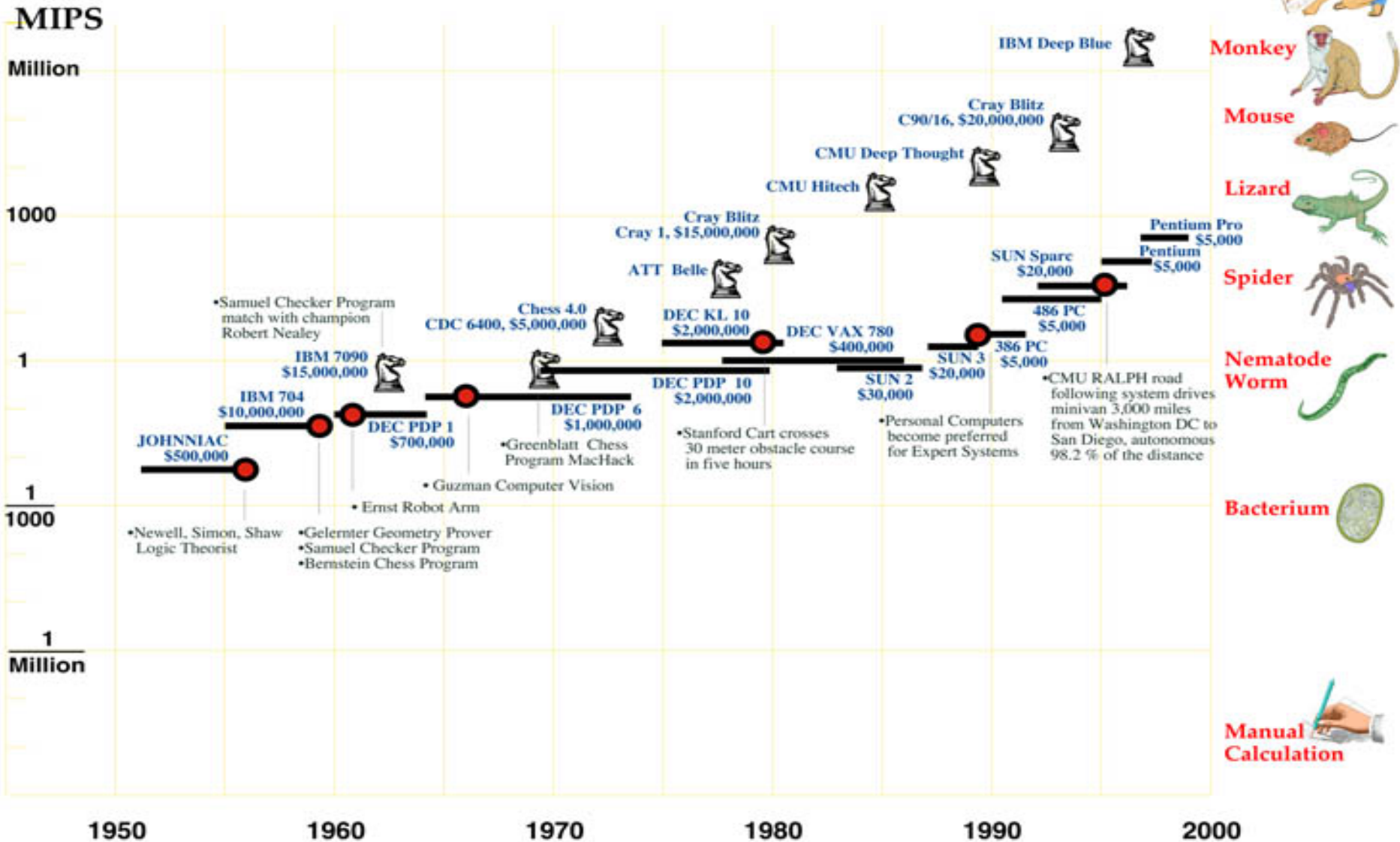
- Are “cognitive” cybersystems our goal?
- Should they be?

How close to Licklider’s Vision are we getting?



COGNITIVE COMPUTING

Computer power available to AI and Robot programs

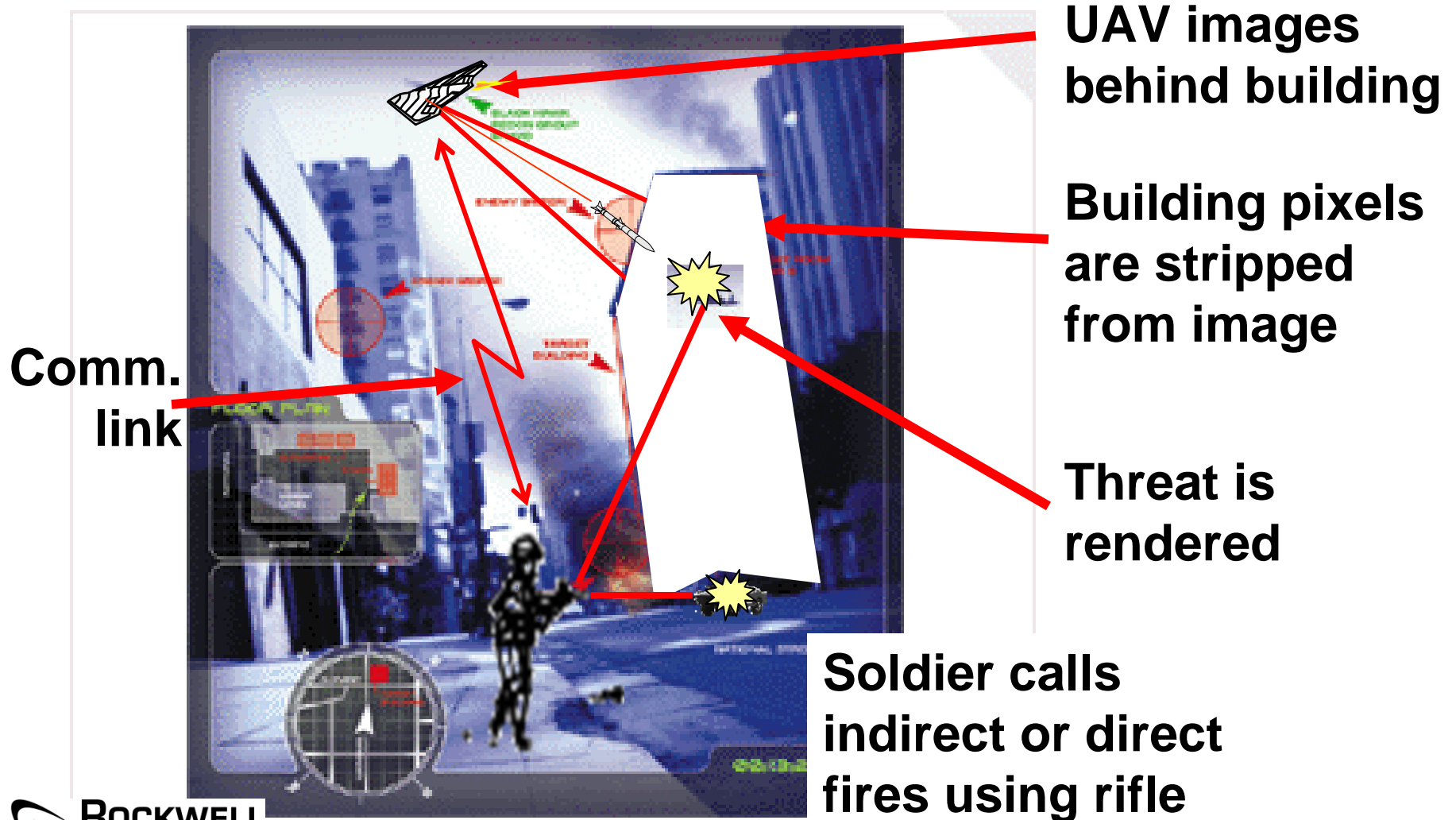


Cognitive Systems:

“Systems that know what they’re doing”

- A cognitive system
 - can **reason**, using substantial amounts of appropriately represented knowledge
 - can **learn** from its experience so that it performs better tomorrow than it did today
 - can **explain** itself and **be told** what to do
 - can be aware of its own capabilities and **reflect** on its own behavior
 - can **respond robustly** to surprise

Augmented Reality: Virtual "X-Ray" Zoom Vision with Intelligent Rifle



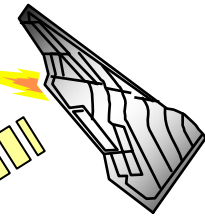
A Possible Vision: Tactical-Level "ISR/Weapon" System of Systems

Functions Performed By ISR/Weapon System

- C²
- Detection/Classification
- ID
- Tracking
- Sensor-Shooter Link
- Shooter-Weapon Link
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- BDA
- Weapon Resupply

Arsenal UAV

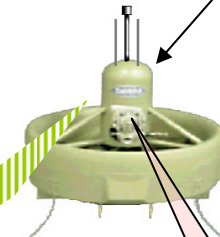
- Delivers lethal & ISR UAVs
- Maintains needed types and numbers



Deploy

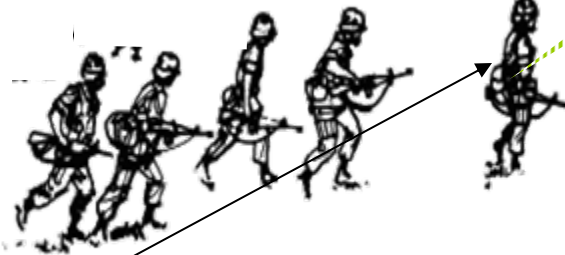
VTOL UAV

- Identifies Targets
- VIS/LWIR Imager
- 3D Ladar
- Magnetometer
- MMW Designator
- Tasks Lethal UAVs



Loitering Lethal UAVs

- RDX airframes
- MMW all-weather seekers



Cell Leader

- Interactive Display
- Controls VTOL UAV

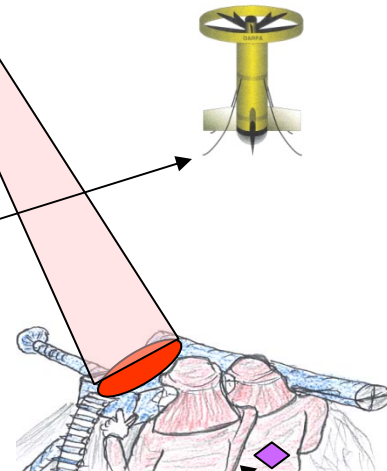
Detection Sensors

- ISR UAVs
- UGS
- Cell Troopers



MMW Tags

- Tracking



Emerging Technologies and Security: Issues

- Information technology has fundamentally transformed our society economy and our lives
- Emerging technologies will transform information technology in fundamental ways—and this emerging infotech will provide the basis for greater wealth, healthier and longer lives, and improved security capabilities
- Technological convergence of bio-nano-info techs present phenomenal new prospects—and raise daunting ethical concerns
- All of these developments raise potential as well for misuse and have security down sides.....

Emerging Technologies and Security: Issues

- Security cannot be **assured** by technological measures
 - Security is an on-going process
 - Security requires forethought and constant vigilance
 - If it can be used for bad—it will be.... And others will have access to it....
- A fundamental flaw in our thinking has been the assumption that we can maintain technological superiority without making substantial investments in it....
- Others globally are becoming just as good as we are—we have to recognize this as the new reality