

Roll Control Guided Mortar (RCGM)

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Overview

- The Roll Control Guided Mortar leverages GD-OTS' patented Roll Control Fixed Canards (RCFC) and SAASM GPS to provide a low cost guidance solution to standard issue mortar warheads
- GD-OTS' Guided Mortars Initiatives
 - 81mm RCGM – Demonstrated on UK L41 mortar, available for M821 and other variants
 - 120mm RCGM - Available for XM395/M934
 - 81mm Air Dropped Mortar - for UAS and other air delivery platforms



81mm and 120mm RCGM



81mm Air Drop Mortar

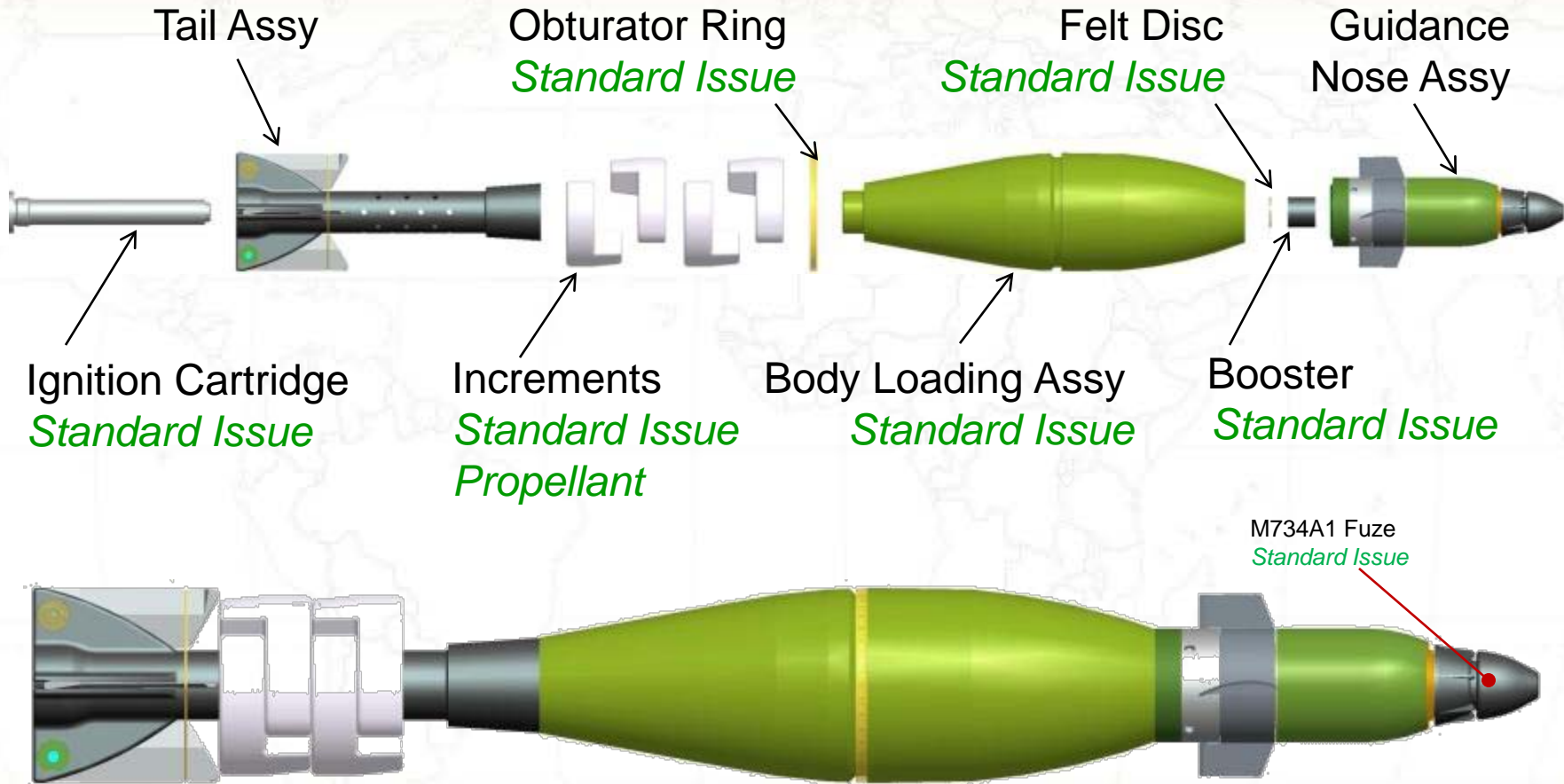


Design Approach

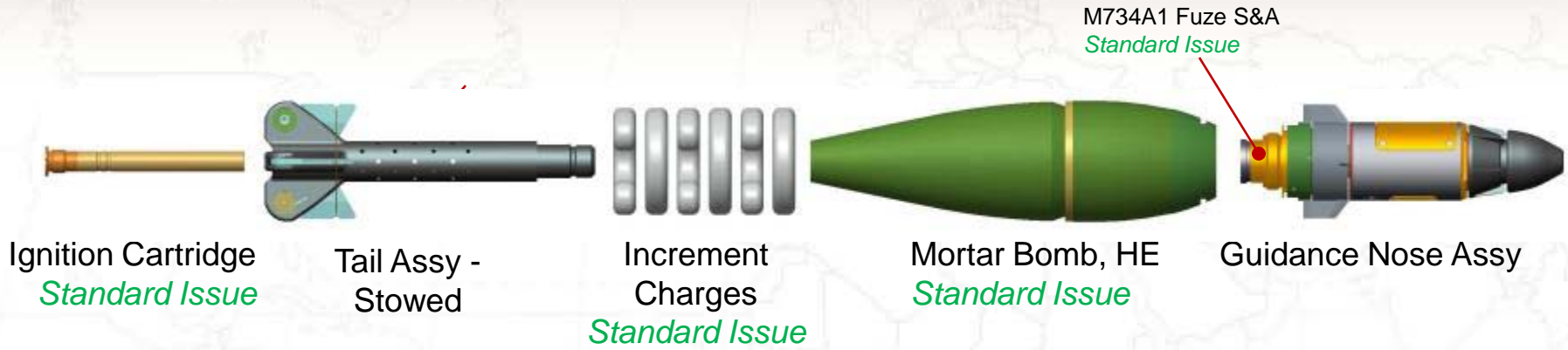
- Warhead – Standard Issue
- M734A1 fuze – Standard Issue
 - No changes to fuze modes
 - No changes to Safe and Arm
 - No changes to Ignition Train
- Guidance, Navigation and Control
 - Simple Design: 2 boards, batteries, antenna and RCFC control module
 - Low Power System
 - Autopilot software
- Patented Roll Control Fixed Canards
 - Significantly cheaper than Control Actuation Systems
 - Roll Brake
 - Simple design, very few moving parts
 - Provides control authority to meet accuracy requirements
- Modified Tail
 - Super Caliber Folding Fins
 - Compatible with Existing Propulsion System



120mm RCGM Hardware Overview



81mm RCGM Hardware Overview

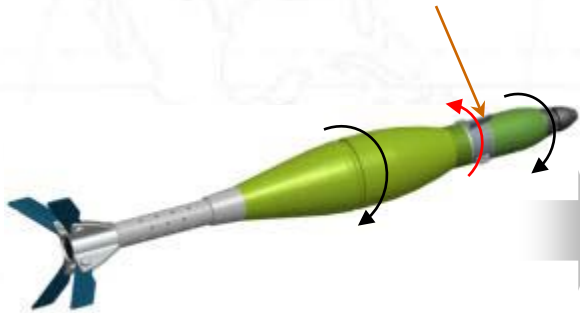


UK L41 Mortar Variant Shown



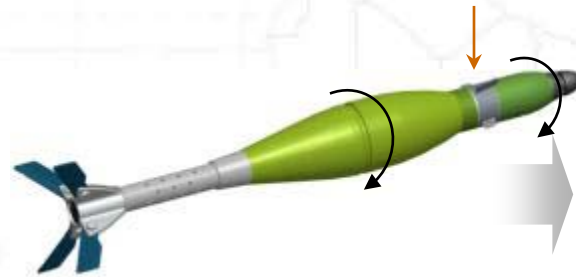
Roll Control Fixed Canards (RCFC) Concept of Operations

Strakes counter-rotate control module at lower frequency than mortar

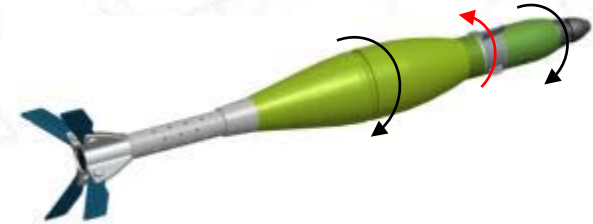


- 1** During flight, entire mortar spins resulting in a neutral guidance mode

Roll Brake locks control module in position during control maneuver



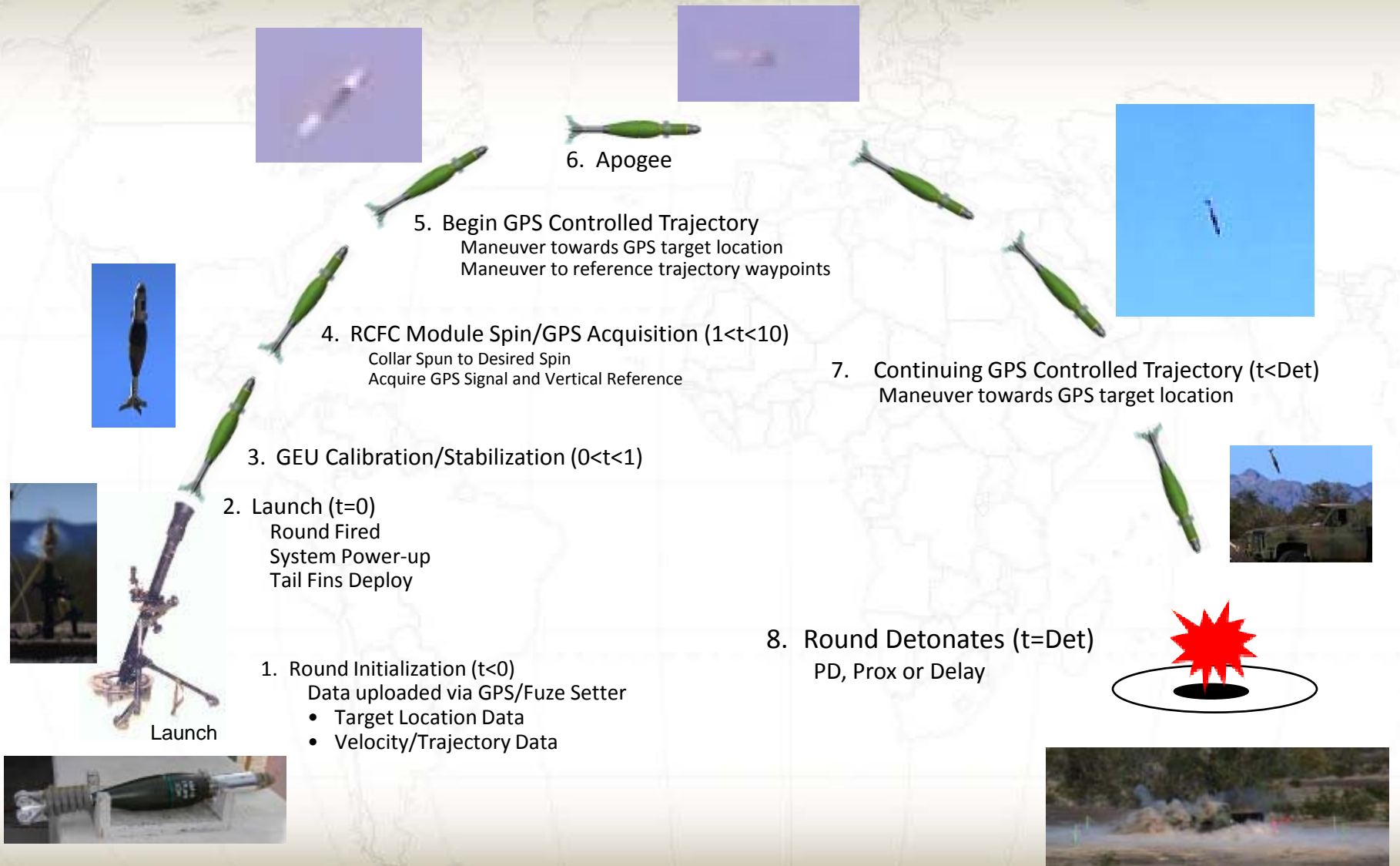
- 2** Control Maneuver; Roll Brake modulated to de-spin collar and orient canards to steer mortar



- 3** After desired flight correction, the Roll Brake re-establishes prescribed collar spin resulting in a neutral guidance mode.



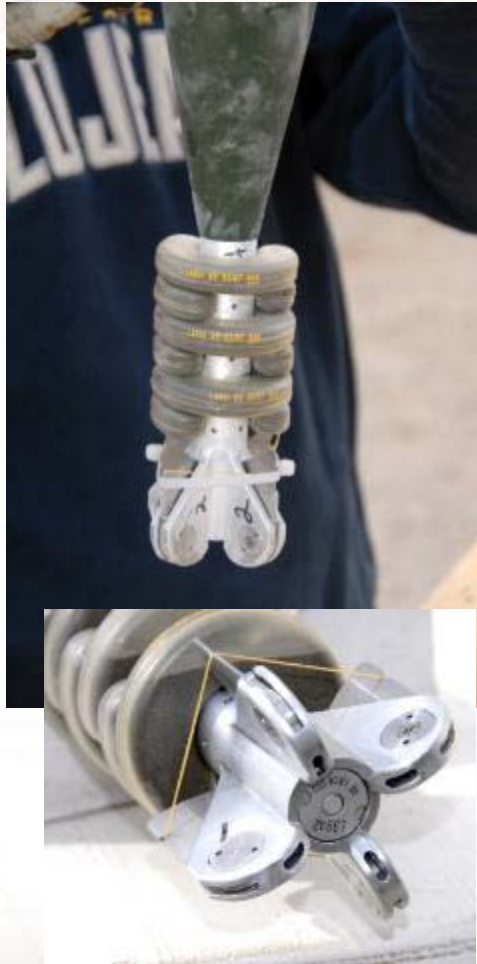
RCGM Flight Operations



81mm RCGM Guide to Target Tests at YPG Round Setting using EPIAFS System/Direct Connect

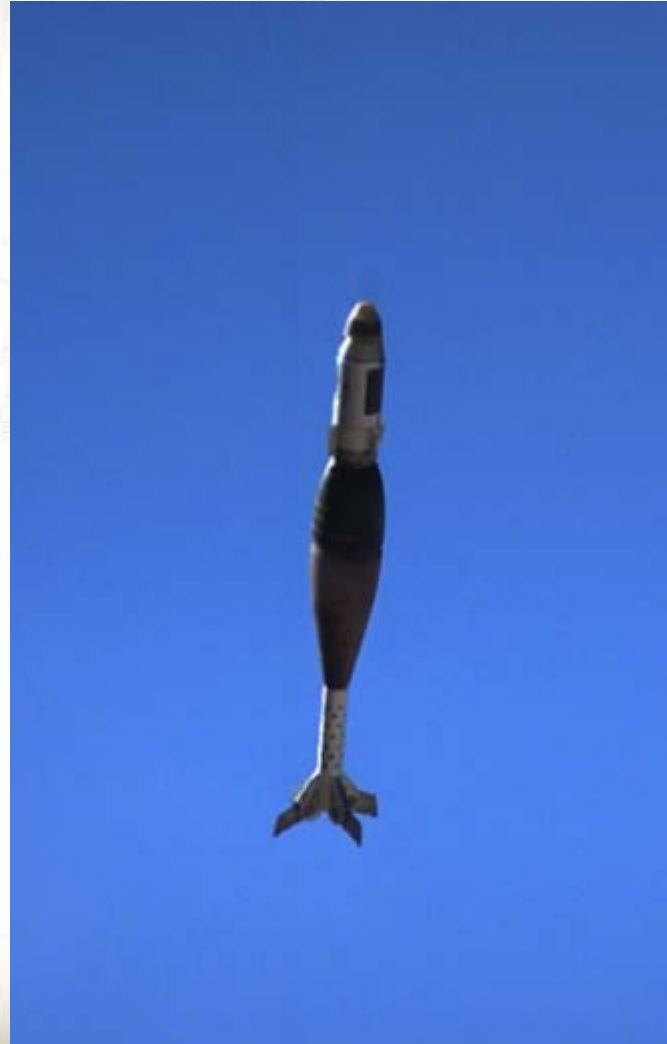


81mm RCGM Guide to Target Tests at YPG Propulsion System and Mortar Release Device Installation



81mm RCGM Guide to Target Tests at YPG

Muzzle Exit and Fin Deployment



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Target Impact at 3,700m – Point Detonation (Impact)



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Target Impact at 980m – Time Delay



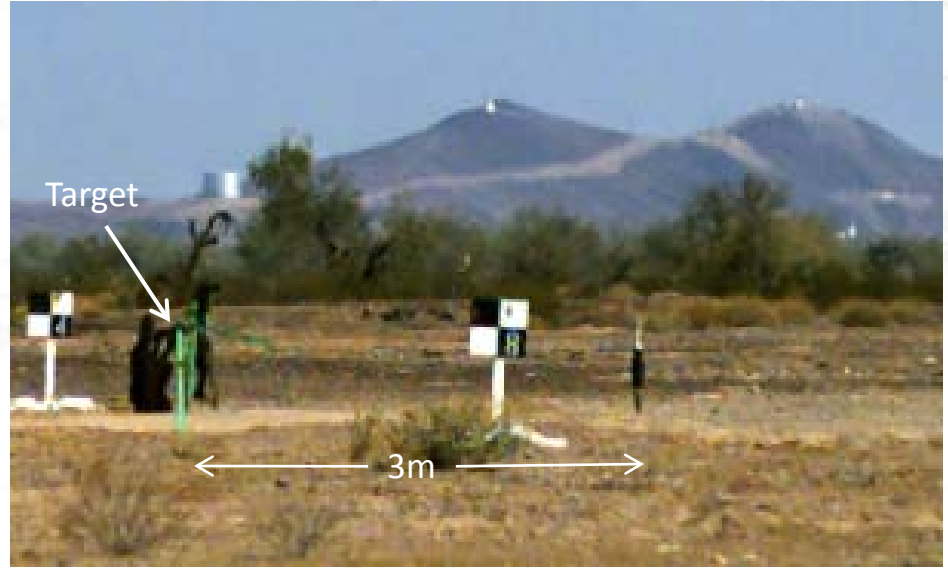
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Target Impact at 5,000m – Proximity Mode



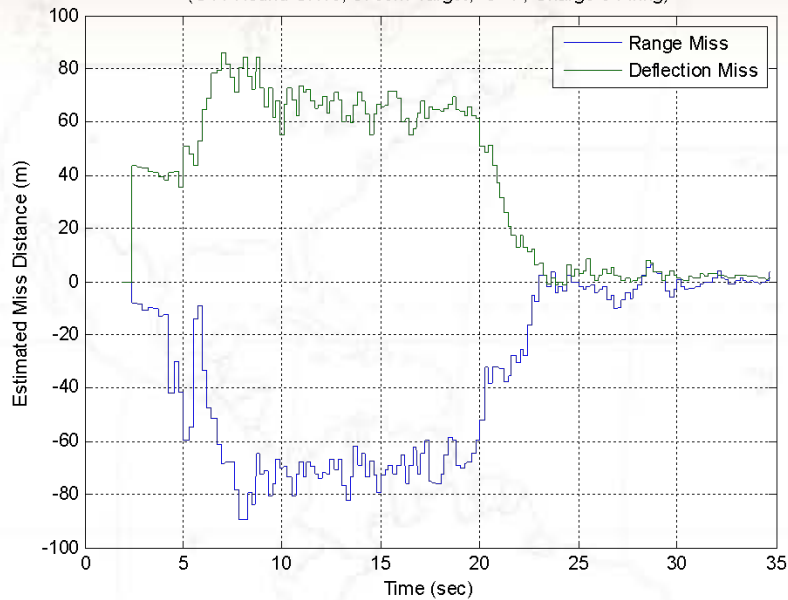
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Target Impact at 980m – Point Detonation (Impact)

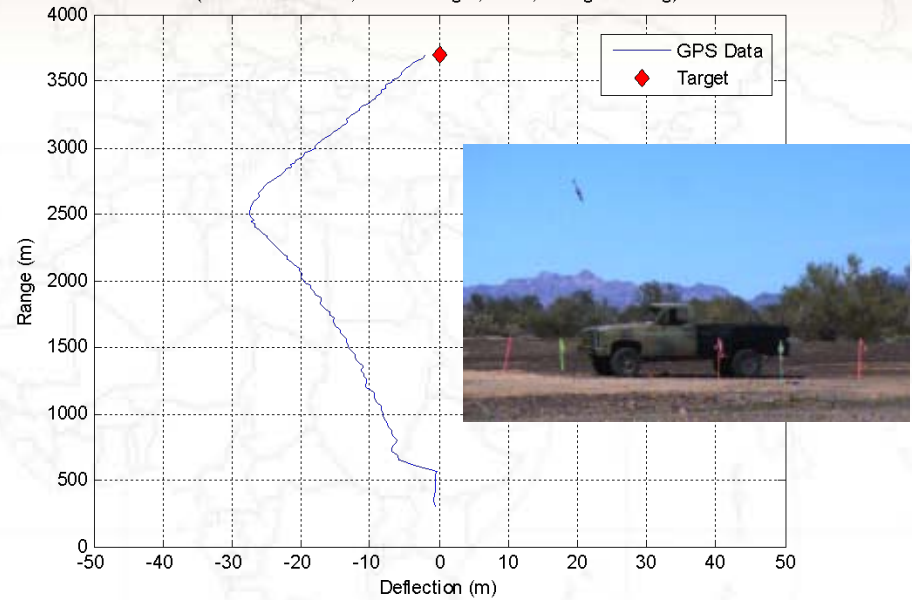


RCGM Guide to Target Performance

81mm RCGM TDP Round Verification YPG GP-13A Flight Test Results
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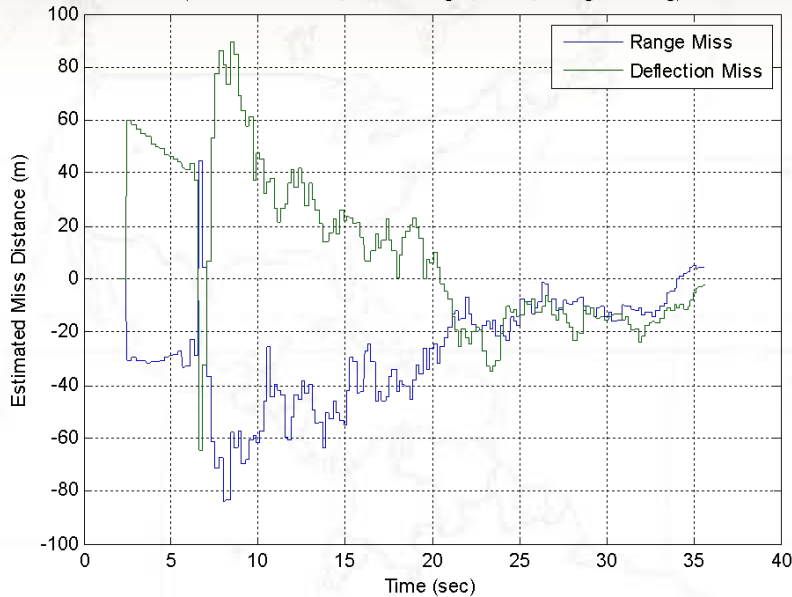


- Round successfully guided to within ~1.6m of the target, correcting for ~70m range miss and ~60m deflection miss.
- Point Detonation (Impact)

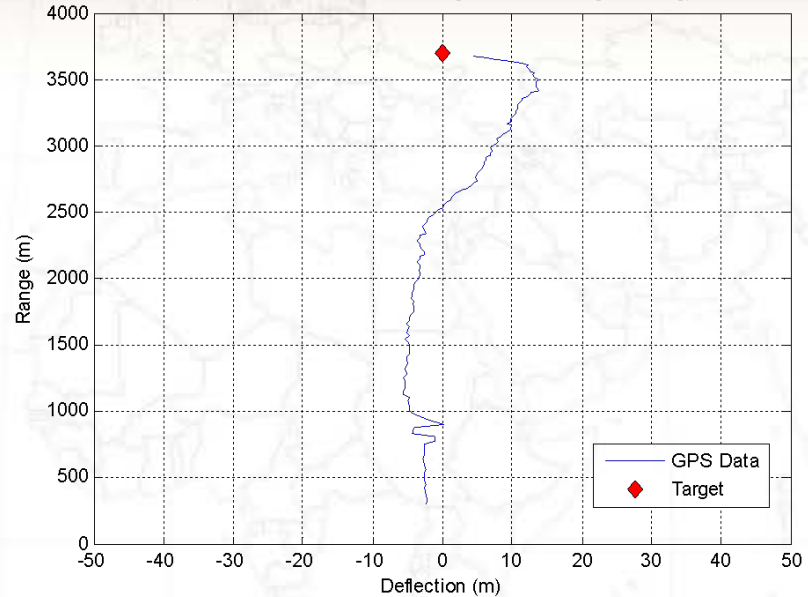


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- Round successfully guided to within ~5.2m of the target, correcting for ~40m range miss and ~15m deflection miss.
- Time Delay Detonation



Summary

- GD-OTS's RCGM has been successfully demonstrated on both 81mm and 120mm Mortar platforms
 - Demonstrated end-to-end Guidance, Navigation and Control
 - Demonstrated Accuracy – Less than 10m median miss distance for both systems
 - Demonstrated Ignition Train
 - Demonstrated Performance across limited Environmental Tests*
 - Temperature Cycling, Vibration and Drop Tests
- RCGM provides our soldiers mobile precision capability (mounted and dismounted).
- GPS target coordinates can be loaded on weapon in seconds using existing Portable Fuze Setter
 - Coordinates can be relayed by forward positioned recon unit or UAVs
- Similar operation as standard mortar including mortar tube and propulsion system
- One Shot – One Kill capability

*: conducted on 120mm RCGM



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