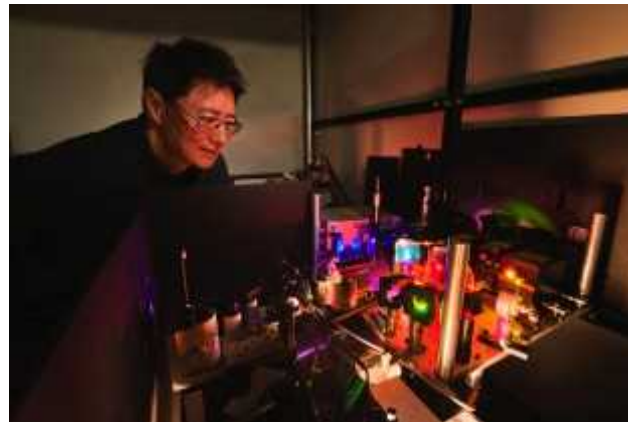


*Exceptional service in the national interest*



# Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Sandia National Laboratories

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# 1970's at Beaver High School







# Sandia National Laboratories is Large and Diverse

- Nuclear Weapons
- Defense Systems and Assessment
- Energy and Climate
- International Homeland and Nuclear Security



*Remote Sensing  
and Verification*



**Surveillance &  
Reconnaissance**

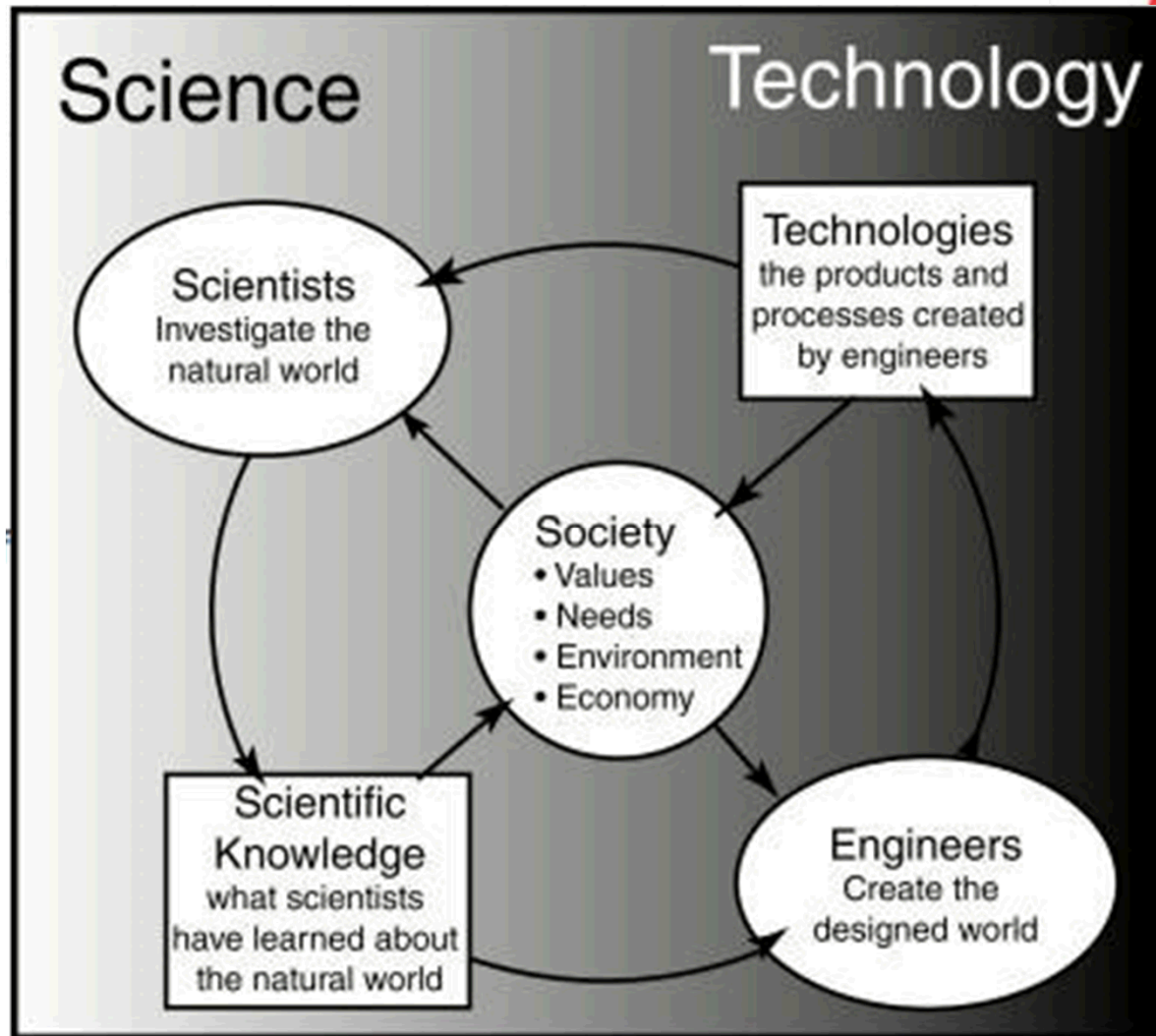
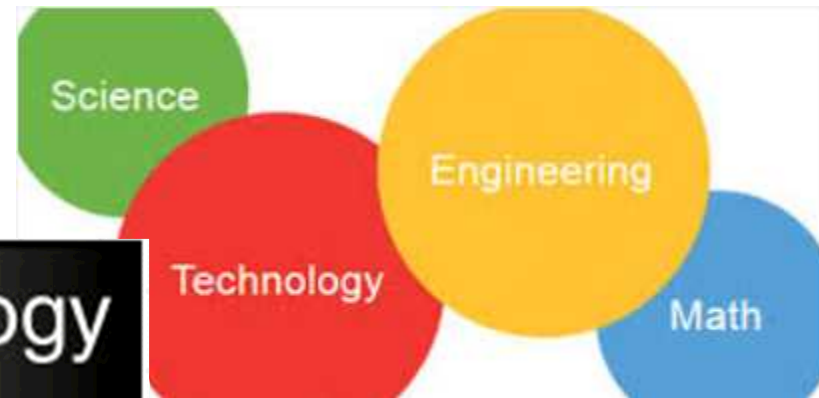


**Renewable Energy**



**Homeland Defense  
and Force Protection**

# What is STEM?



***STEM - all fields of fundamental science and engineering, except for medical sciences (National Science Foundation)***

## STEM Disciplines

- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Engineering
- Environmental Science
- Geosciences
- Life Sciences
- Mathematics
- Physics/Astronomy





# Why Study STEM?

- High employment rate
- Fastest growing occupations
- Higher pay

## Engineering Fields

Agriculture  
Aerospace  
Agriculture  
Biomedical  
Chemical  
Civil  
Computer  
Electrical  
Environmental

Fire Protection  
Geological  
Human Factors  
Industrial  
Manufacturing  
Marine  
Materials  
Mechanical  
Microsystems

Mining  
Nuclear  
Petroleum  
Quality  
Safety  
Software  
Transportation  
Water  
Validation



## ENGINEERING PAYS OFF

**\$79,000**

annual mean wage for Engineering

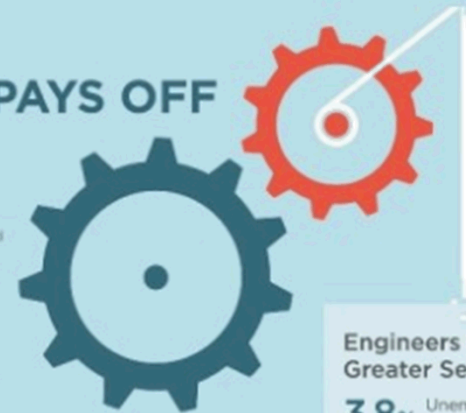
(Engineering occupations includes all engineering and architecture occupations, including Engineering Technical occupations, which most often require less than a bachelor's degree)

**\$45,790**

annual mean wage for all occupations

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2012

**{CHANGE THE EQUATION}**



**Engineers Enjoy Greater Security**

**3.8%** Unemployment rate for engineers

**7.0%** Unemployment rate for all occupations

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2011

# REASONS TO CHOOSE A STEM MAJOR

## Impact on Society



- North Korea successfully conducted a three-stage rocket test - Dec 2012
- North Korea successfully conducted underground nuclear test – Feb 2013
- North Korea threats of pre-emptive nuclear strikes against the US and South Korea – Dec 2012 – Mar 2013

*A U.S. Air Force "nuclear capable" B-2 stealth bomber flew near Osan U.S. Air Base, south of Seoul, on Thursday in a display of force aimed at deterring North Korean threats of attacks on the U.S. and South Korea. March 27, 2013 YONHAP/ASSOCIATED PRESS*





# TOP REASONS TO CHOOSE A STEM MAJOR

# Fun!

**“Do what you love. When you love your work, you become the best worker in the world” – Uri Geller.**



Sandia conducts comprehensive system testing to ensure nuclear weapon safety and reliability.



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# REASONS TO CHOOSE A STEM MAJOR

## Challenge

In the ever-changing world of STEM, no two days will be exactly the same.

*B53 Nuclear Bomb Dismantled in 2011*



*Discover Magazine article*





# REASONS TO CHOOSE A STEM MAJOR

## Self and Career Satisfaction

“I feel sorry for the person who can't get genuinely excited about his/her work. Not only will he/she never be satisfied, but he/she will never achieve anything worthwhile” – Walter Chrysler.

Best Jobs of 2014 (CareerCast.com)

1	<b>Mathematician</b>	\$101,000
2	<b>University Professor</b>	\$69,000
3	<b>Statistician</b>	\$76,000
4	<b>Actuary</b>	\$94,000
5	Audiologist	\$70,000
6	Dental Hygienist	\$71,000
7	<b>Software Engineer</b>	\$94,000
8	<b>Computer Systems Analyst</b>	\$80,000
9	Occupational Therapist	\$76,000
10	Speech Pathologist	\$70,000
11	Dietitian	\$56,000
12	<b>Biomedical Engineer</b>	\$87,000
13	Human Resources Manager	\$100,000
14	Optometrist	\$98,000
15	Physical Therapist	\$80,000
16	Financial Planner	\$68,000
17	Medical Laboratory Technician	\$48,000
18	Economist	\$92,000
19	<b>Computer Systems Administration</b>	\$73,000
20	<b>Petroleum Engineer</b>	\$131,000

Ranking based on Working Environment, Income, Employment Outlook, and Stress

**Bold** = STEM Career



# REASONS TO CHOOSE A STEM MAJOR

## Experiences

STEM fields offer more opportunities and experiences than other majors



NATO Nuclear Policy Group - 2009

# Motivation Matters!



Motivation is required in order to do anything, but that power can only come from within you. Goals can typically provide a direction for your motivation and help bring you success in a STEM major. It is important to have an end in sight.





You're an essential piece....without  
you, the puzzle is incomplete!

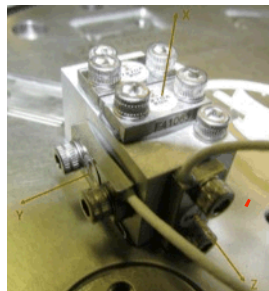
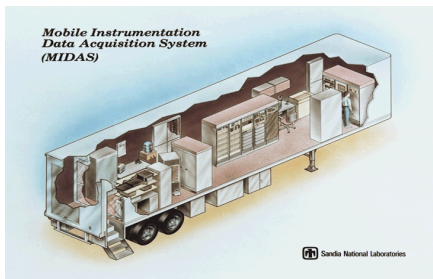


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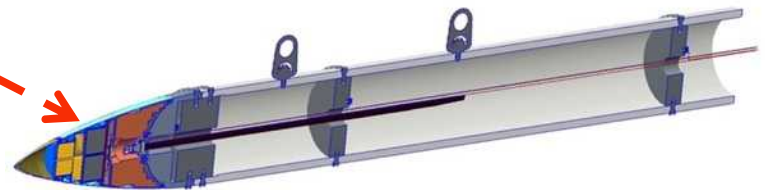
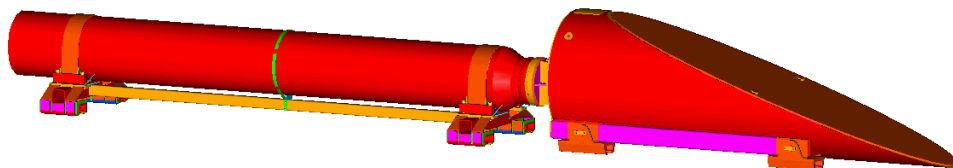
# Test Objectives and Configuration

- Test Setup

- Five Reverse Ballistic Tests
- DAQ-MIDAS (IMP1-3)
- DAQ-MIU (IMP4-5)



- To demonstrate B61-12 impact sensor functionality
- To gather evidence to validate the Solid Mechanics System Model (SMSM) predictions for the amount of crush-up of the nose, the acceleration-time history at various locations within the NBSA and to correlate impact sensor response to the impact environment
- To gain an understanding of uncertainty in the SMSM results
- To allow adequate time to modify the design if test results indicate that the design will not meet B61-12 Ground Burst fuzing requirements





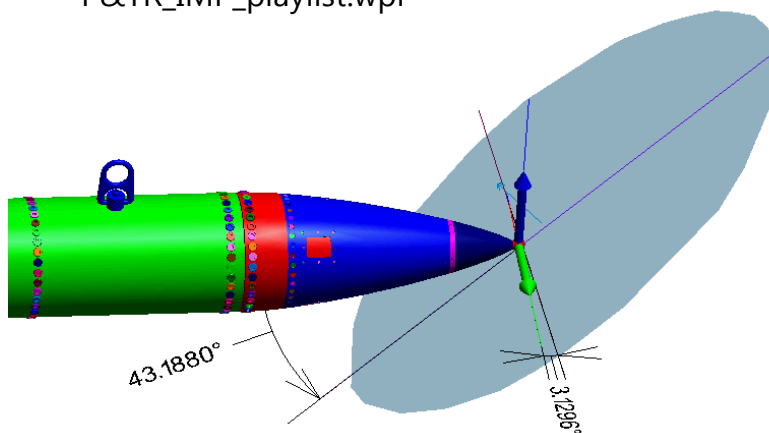
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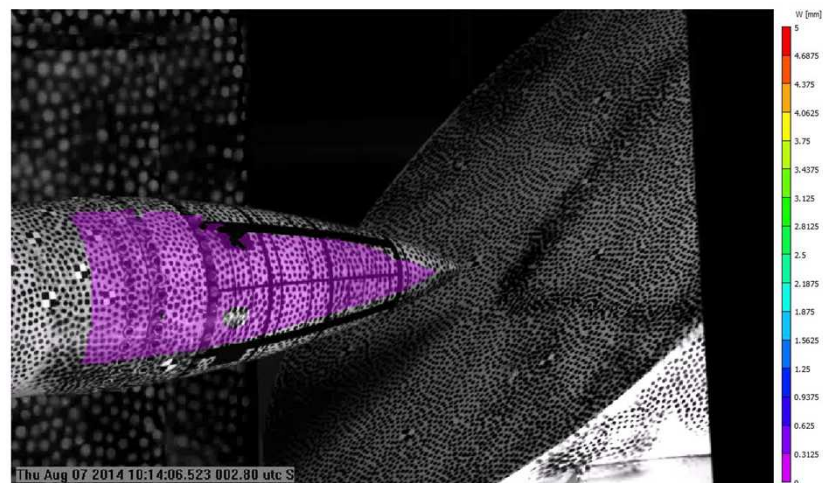
IMP4 Test, 7 August 2014



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IMP4 – Impact Angles



IMP4 – Deformation Mapping via DIC

# Physical Layout



1. High-speed Camera
2. Radiography
3. Sled Track
4. Test Item
5. Instrumentation Cables
6. Test Stand