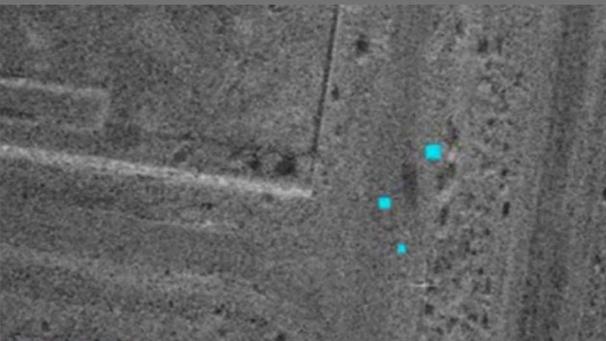


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Technical
Briefing

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Radar ISR Overview

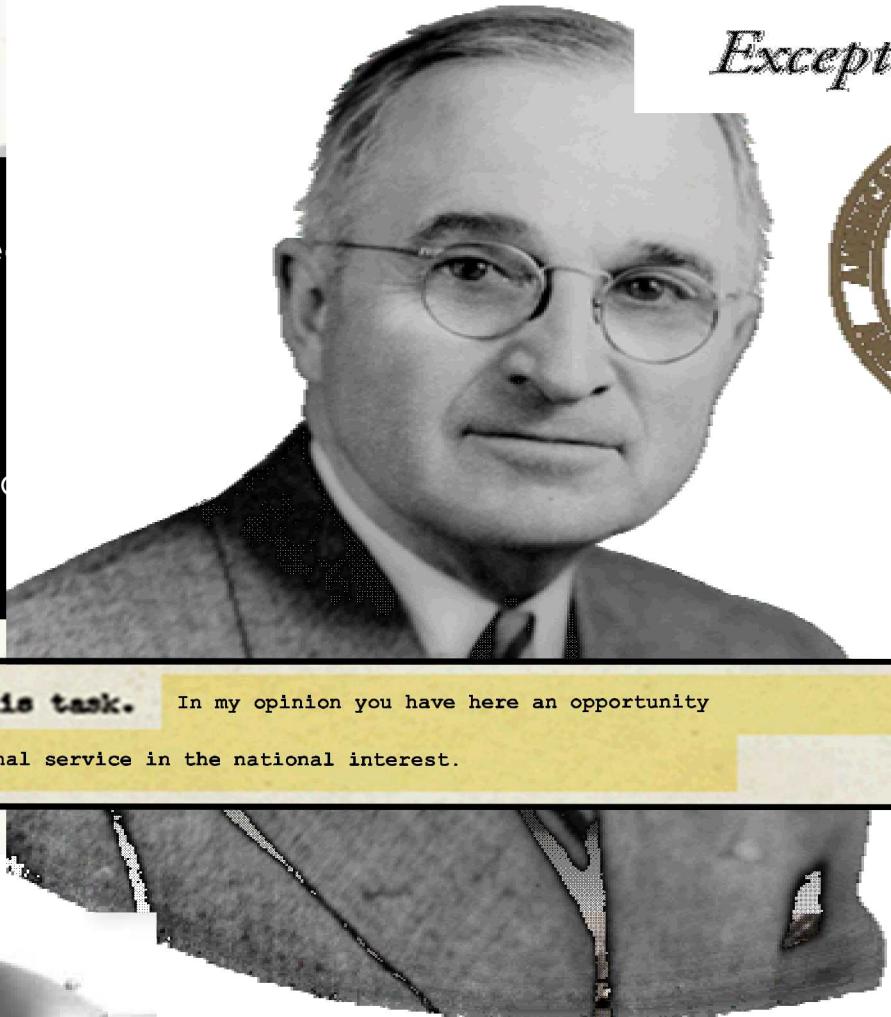
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- July 1945: Los Alamos created the Nuclear Division
- Nonnuclear component engineering
- November 1, 1949: Sandia Laboratory established

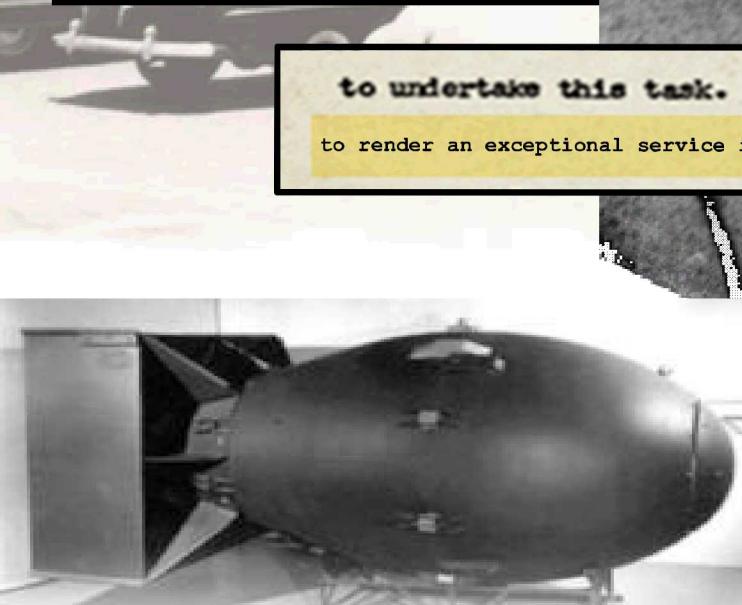
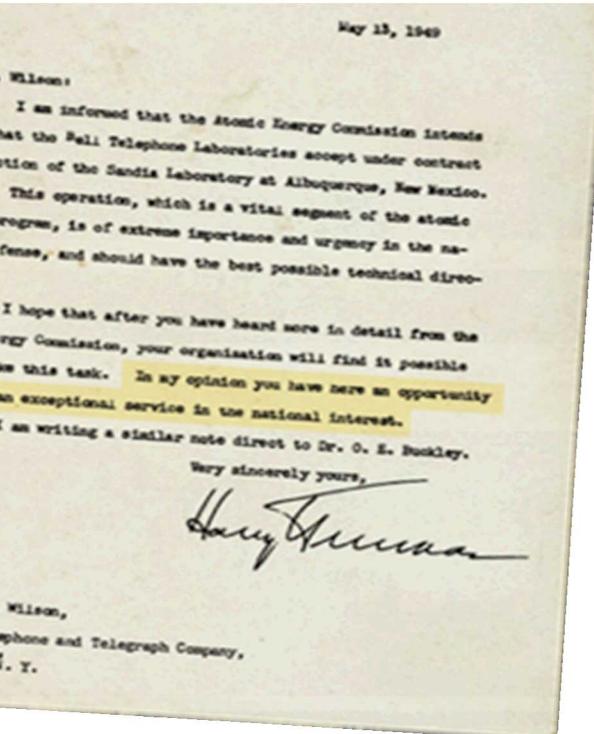


to undertake this task.

In my opinion you have here an opportunity

to render an exceptional service in the national interest.

Exceptional service in the national interest



Governance of Sandia Laboratories

National Technology and Engineering Solutions of Sandia (NTESS) Corporation

- AT&T: 1949–1993
- Martin Marietta: 1993–1995
- Lockheed Martin: 1995–2017
- Honeywell: 2017- present
- Government owned, contractor operated



Federally Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC) Unique nonprofit entities sponsored and funded by the U.S. government to meet some special long-term research or development need

Sandia is 1 of 39 recognized FFRDCs

- **Mission:**

We deliver advanced RF imaging solutions to solve complex problems.

- **Vision:**

Be recognized as the leader of innovative RF imaging solutions that support Sandia's national security mission and solve extreme national security challenges through a flexible, world class workforce, broad, international engagement, and relevant, cutting edge technology.

- **Workforce:**

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RADAR INTELLIGENCE,
SURVEILLANCE & RECONNAISSANCE



deliver and support advanced, high performance RF imaging solutions for the most challenging and urgent national security challenges.

As the leader of innovative RF imaging solutions that support Sandia's national security mission and solve extreme national security challenges through a flexible, world class workforce, broad, international engagement, and relevant, cutting edge technology.

Engineers, Technologists, and support staff.

Contracts issued since 2012.

Part

3+ decades of experience delivering solutions for complex, critical national security problems (FFRDC)

- All Weather, Day or Night
- High Resolution Optical-like
- On-board and real-time Processing
- Flexible platforms and TPED configuration

Radar ISR Solutions

experience delivering solutions for complex, critical national security problems

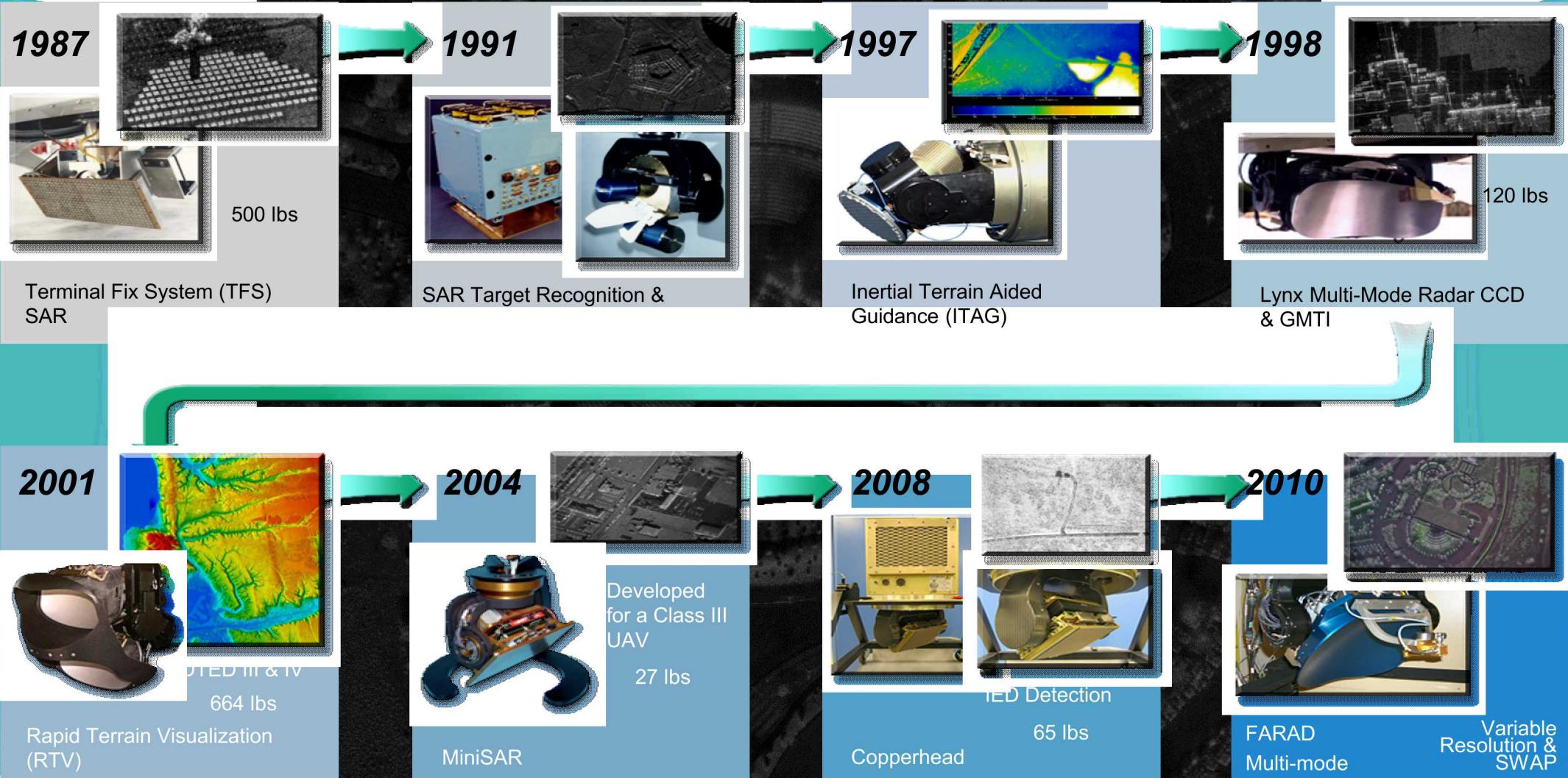


High Resolution SAR/VideoSAR



High Resolution CCD/VideoCCD

Radar Evolution



Improving radar performance & reducing SWAP for three decades

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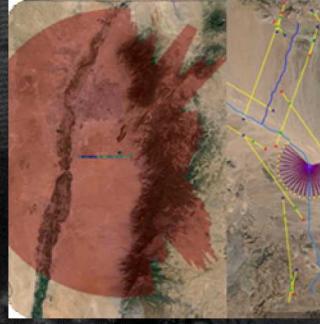
- Provides mission and information
- **Mission Planning**
 - Pre-mission
 - High-level
 - Continuous
 - Analytic
- **Real-time Processing**
 - Real-time delivery
 - Image processing
 - Change detection
 - Transformation
- **Advanced Exploitation**
 - Predictive
 - Hybrid
 - Analytics
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e Mission Solutions

End-to-end solutions that leverage physics, engineering, and data science to support national security decision making

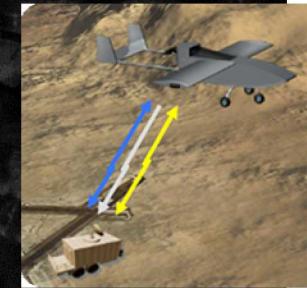
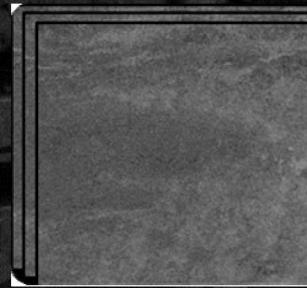
Planning

Analysis & Flight Planning
Optimized TTPs and CONOPs
Performance assessments
SAR phenomenology



Processing

Delivery of Multiple Image Products to Analysts
Change Detection Products
Delivery of Real-time Products



Exploitation

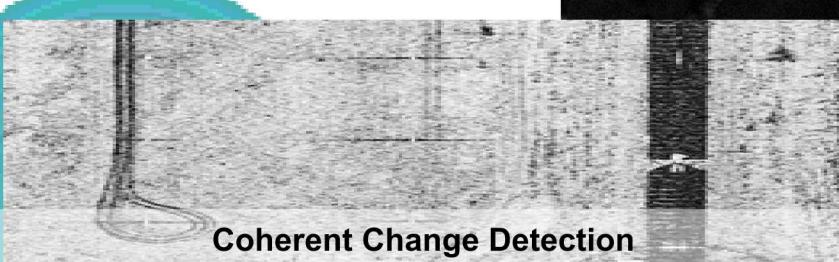
Intelligence
Sensors
Exploitation Techniques



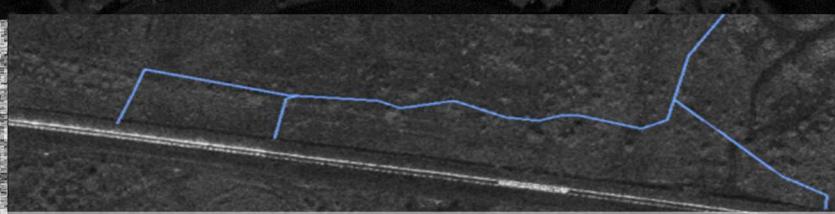
Every integration into PED cycle is difficult at best.

Applications

Coherent Change Detection



Facilities and Border Protection



Crevasse Detection



Environmental Monitoring



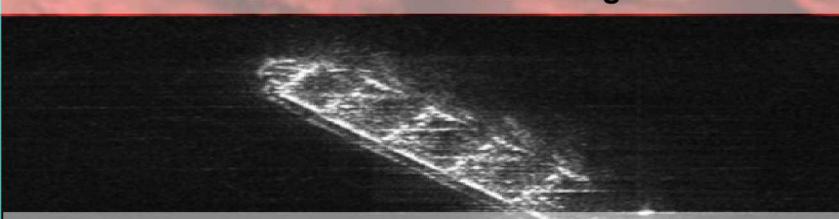
Space Missions



High Res. Terrain Elevation Mapping



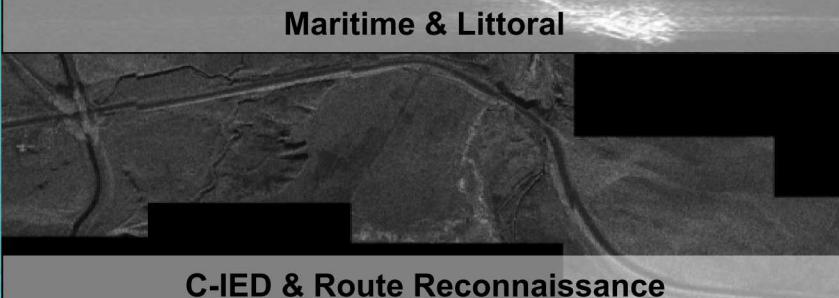
Maritime & Littoral



Vehicle and Dismount Tracking

S&R and Targeting

C-IED & Route Reconnaissance



Patterns of Life



Precision Guidance

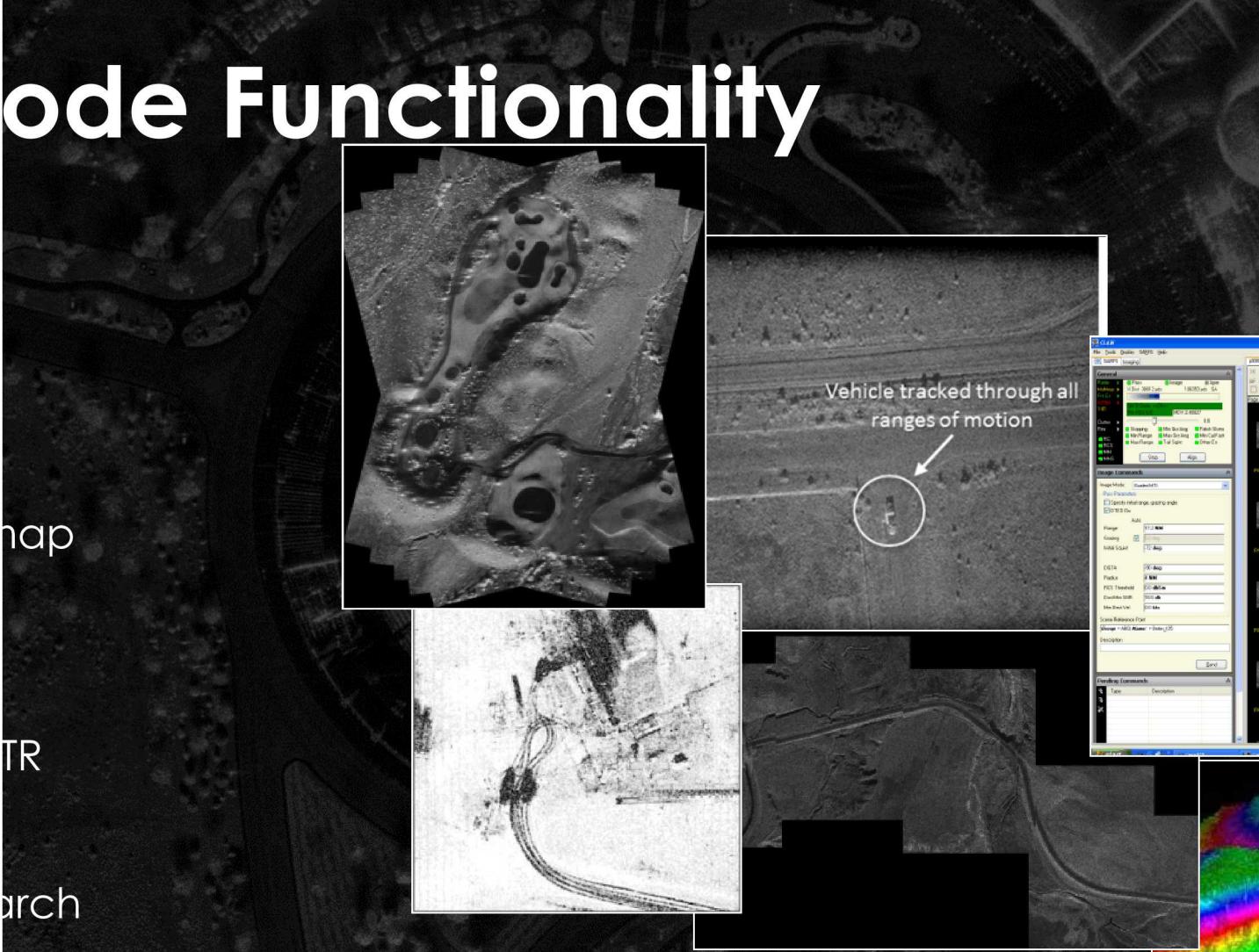


Since '97, Sandia radars have operated in all geographic COCOMS

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- Spotlight
- SpotDwell
- Circle
- Stripmap
- Arbitrary Stripmap
- CCD/NCP
- IFSAR
- VideoSAR
- GMTI/DN
- Wide Angle
- High

Radar Mode Functionality



Once radar modes are developed they can be integrated into existing Sandia products during product improvement phases without redeveloping the entire system.

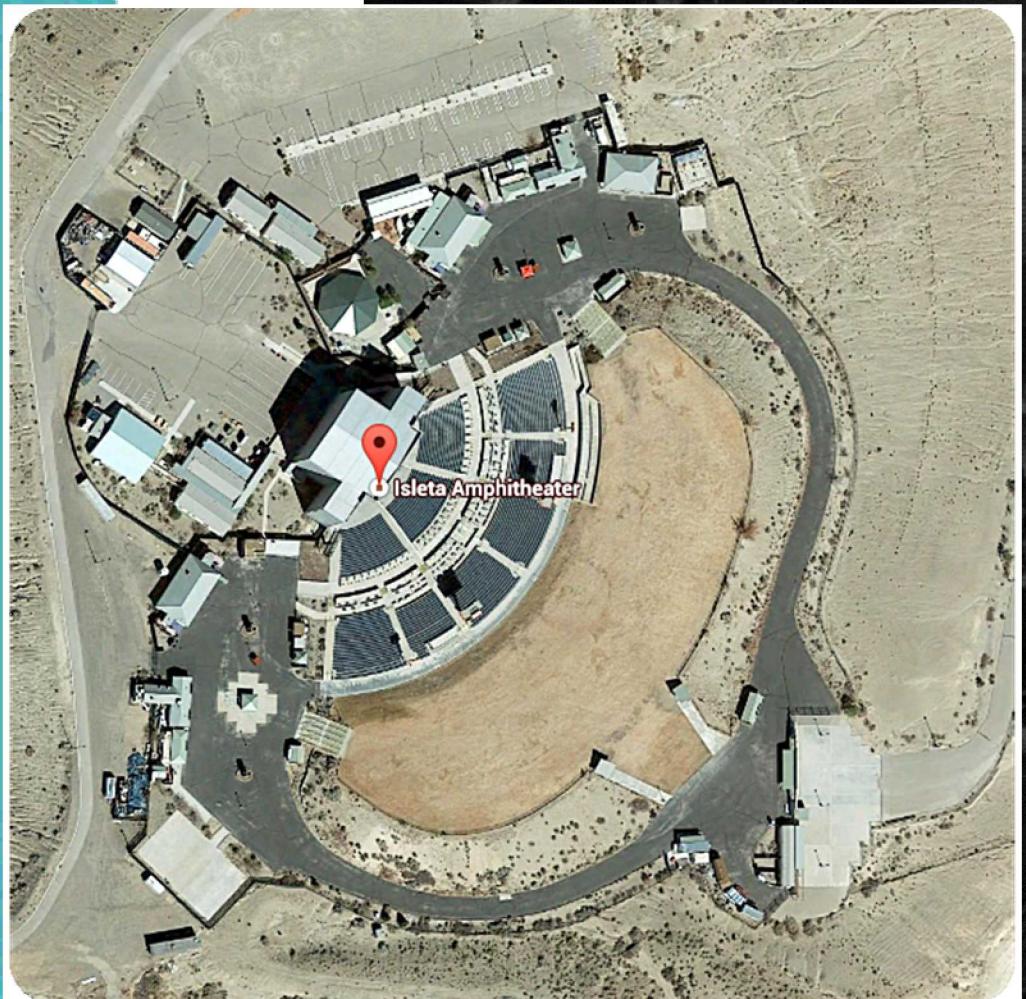
AR Vehicles Example



- This is VideoSAR footage showing a gate at a facility. The video shows vehicle traffic moving through the gate. As the vehicles are in motion their location is indicated by a shadow. As the vehicles stop the reflected energy of the vehicles fall on top of the shadow. Once the vehicle continues in motion the shadow is again visible. The lines moving across the screen are Doppler shift caused by the moving vehicles.

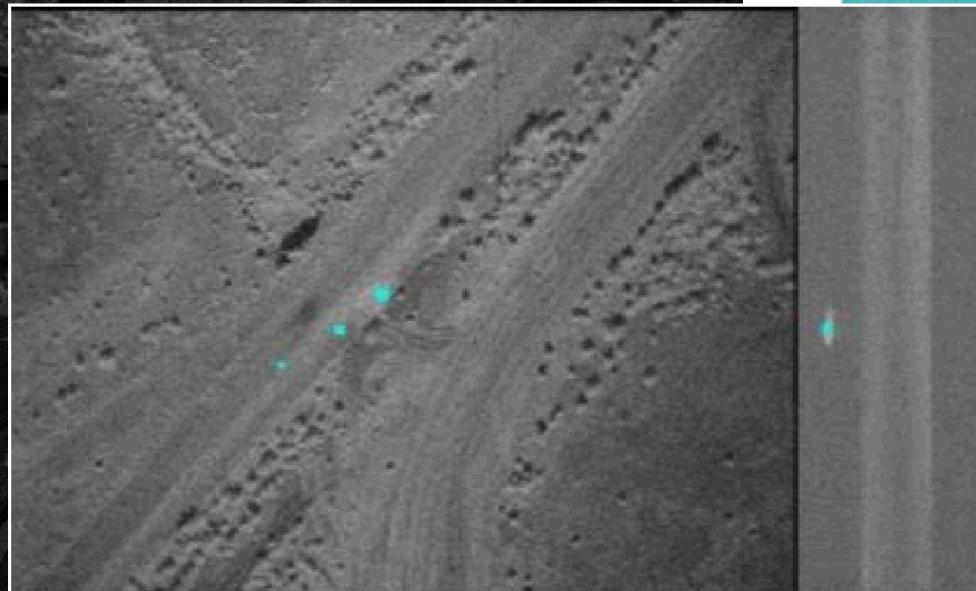
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Facility Example



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- Multiple channels with the same instantaneous bandwidth.
- Multiple receive centers – sum and difference yield clutter suppression and increased ability to track targets.
- Polarimetry (HH, VV, HV, VH) yields additional information around phenomena.



HS

- Values for VV, HV, VH scattering

olution Polarimetric SAR

metric SAR is not in visual comparison of individual channel (HH, VV, HV, VH) scatter intensity maps, but rather in the inference of underlying scattering mechanisms from these independent phase coherent measures



SNL FARAD, X Band, 0.2m Full-Pol Imagery of New Mexico Veterans Memorial, Model Based Decomposition Example

III.

- An integrated testbed for the advancement of SAR ISR capabilities
- FARAD will be used in accord with R&D efforts, both internal and external, to provide advanced radar airborne data collection and exploitation to support specific research goals
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DeHavilland DHC-6 "Twin Otter" research aircraft operated for Sandia by Twin Otter International

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- Ka-Bar
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AR R&D Testbed

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Ideal Prospective Employees

- Must be able to obtain a security clearance.
- Proficiency in technical areas: signal processing, RF, electromagnetic wave natures, antenna design, FPGA implementation, and Machine Interface.
- Human Interface.
- Self motivated and innovative
- Ability to work well on inter-disciplinary teams
- Strong problem solving skills

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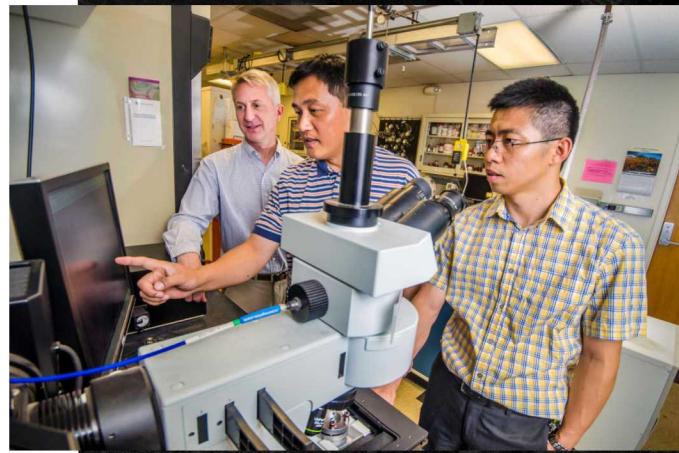
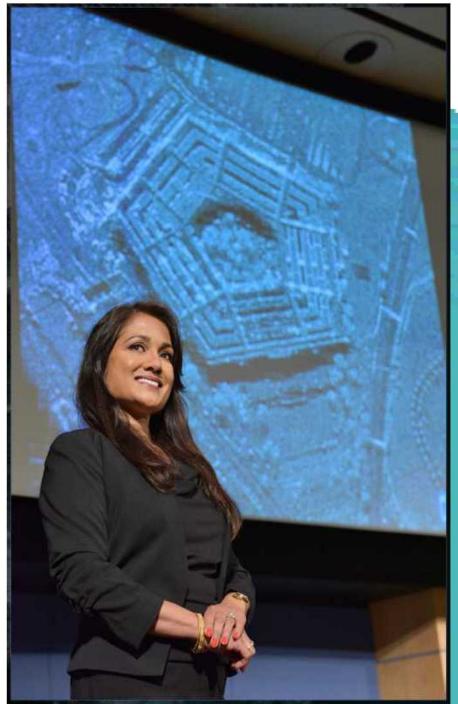
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Hard Problems

- Ultra-wideband
- Real time processing
- Effective communication
- Extraction of information
- Ultrawideband, high-frequency planer antenna technologies
- Complex cluttering signature analysis and measurements
- Integration of next generation system on a chip FPGA capabilities

and software defined RF detection capabilities
by size weight and power processing
efficient human machine interfaces
information from physics represented by SAR imagery
and, high-frequency planer antenna technologies
cluttering signature analysis and measurements
of next generation system on a chip FPGA capabilities

Ideal Collaboration Opportunities

- Strong professional relationship
- Hard problems of interest
- Technology solution can be published
- \$ to fund collaboration
- Desired: Students that are US citizens

Collaboration Opportunities

Collaboration between Sandia staff member(s) and university student(s) or a graduate student working on MS or PHD thesis

Collaboration can be published

Collaboration

Students that are US citizens