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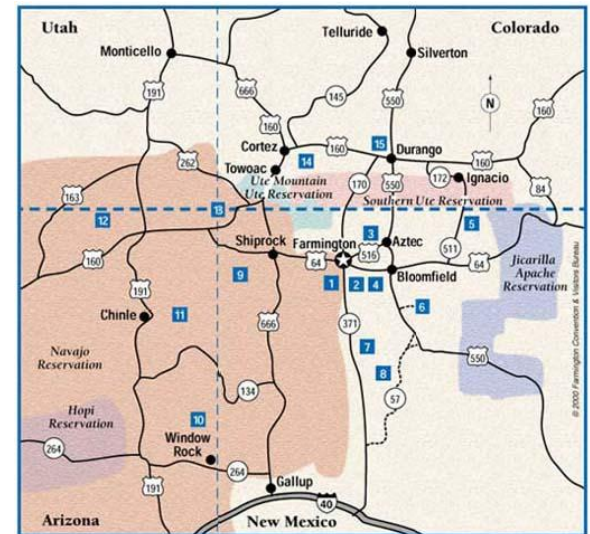
AFRL Phillips Space Conference Center
November 15, 2011

Personal Background

- Grew up on the Diné reservation in Shiprock, NM



*My grandmother,
Yili Bah Atcitty*



*Rug made by my mother,
Betty Mae Atcitty*



Personal Background Cont.

- Raised in a ~ 500-square-foot substandard house
- Family income ~ \$5k/yr
- Mother sold rugs to help support the family



Educational & Professional Background

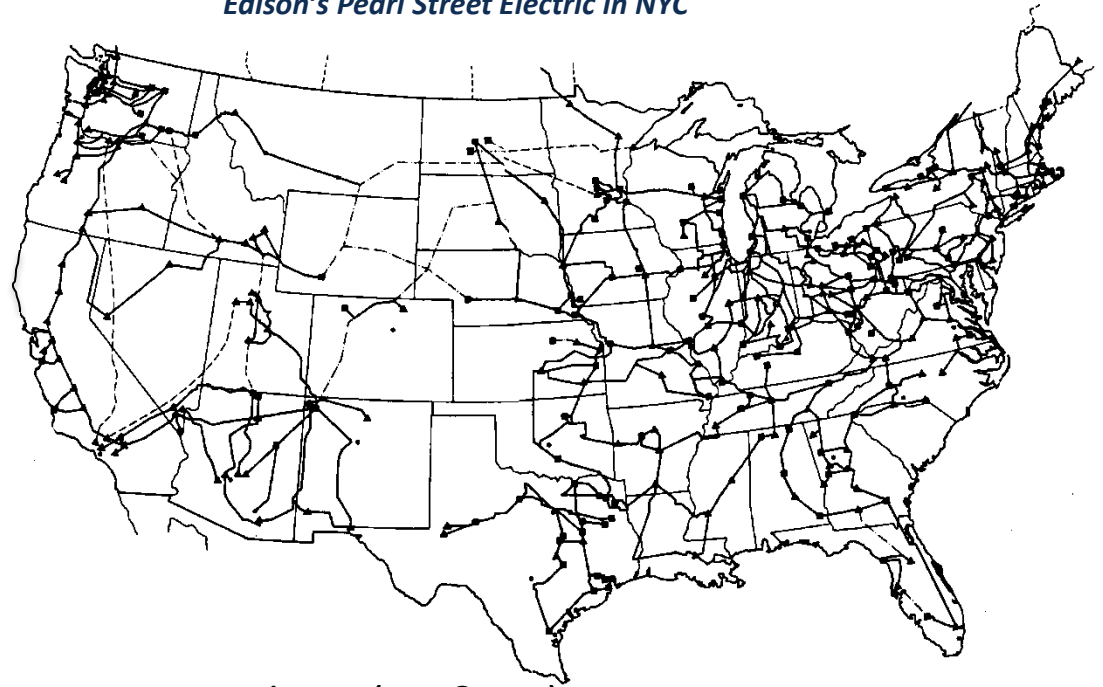
- Shiprock High School
- *San Juan College (AS General Science)*
- New Mexico State University (BS & MS EE)
- Virginia Tech University (Ph.D. EE)
- Worked at Sandia for over 17 years
 - Power engineering and power electronics for weapon and energy systems
 - Three patents, one pending
 - Four R&D 100 Awards
 - Over 40 technical publications
 - Weapon Internship Program Graduate 2002
 - AISES Technical Excellence Award 2007
 - Sandia's Up-and-Coming Innovator Award for Center 6100

Electric Utility Background

Common AC voltages

Transmission	{	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 765kV• 500kV• 345kV• 230kV
Sub-Transmission	{	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 69kV• 30kV• 15kV
Distribution	{	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4kV• 2kV• 600V• 480V• 240V• 120V

First modern electric system developed in 1882 by Thomas Edison's Pearl Street Electric in NYC



- Made up of:
- Over 150 thousand miles of transmission lines (AC & DC)
- 10s of thousands of Generating Units totaling ~1000GW of total capacity
- Millions of transformers, relays, and controls
- 100s of Billions of dollars in total investments in transmission and distribution

Electric Utility Major Blackouts

- San Diego/Arizona/Baja Blackout September 2011
 - 5M affected, HV transmission line failure from AZ to CA
- Northeast Power Blackout August 14, 2003



Source: http://www.globalsecurity.org/eye/blackout_2003.htm

~ 45M people affected US, 10M Ontario Canada

~ 6B in financial losses

- Western US Blackout August 1996
 - High demand, heat wave, and sagging power lines
- New York City Blackout July 1977
- Northeast Blackout November 1965

Transportable Systems

Peak Shaving, Demand Response, T&D Deferral, etc.

TransFlow 2000

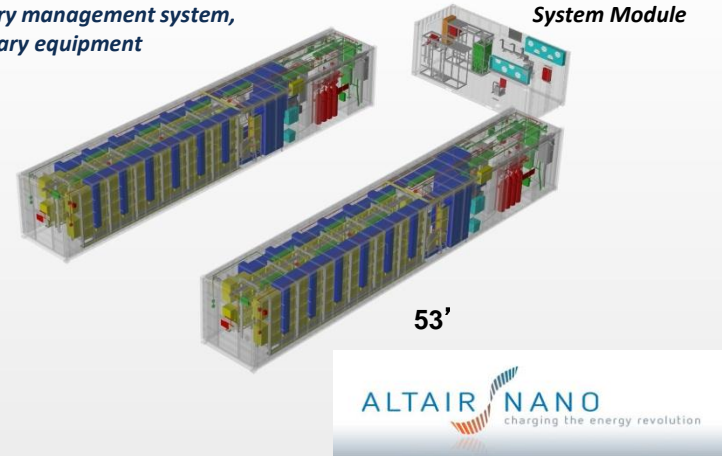
2.8MWhr of energy, 500kW for 5 hrs.



Grid Stabilization/Renewable Integration

*1MW battery stack,
battery management system,
auxiliary equipment*

*Power Control
System Module*



Wind farm dynamic VAR compensation

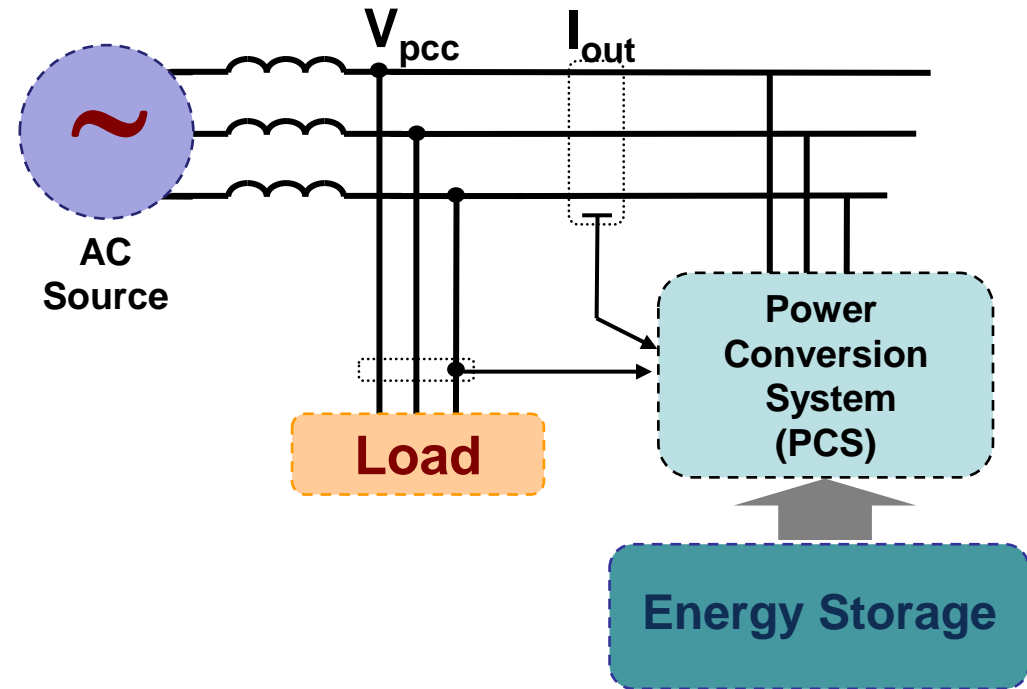


Benefits

- Lower Installation Cost
- Less Time from Installation to Operation
- Use at Multiple Sites Optimizes Overall System Use

Why is DOE/Sandia interested in power electronics?

- PCS can be 20-40% of overall energy storage system cost.
- Need for significantly reduced installed cost/kVA and footprint, improved control capability and increased reliability

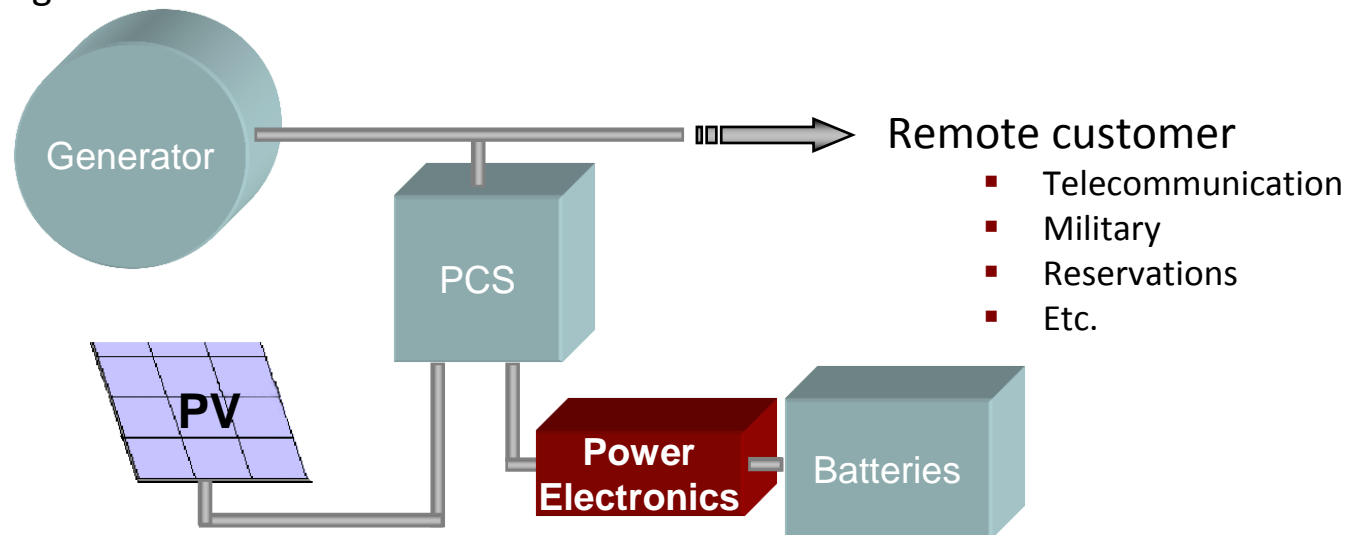


The PCS is a key component of the energy storage system—it can represent 20-60% of the total system cost.

Optimal Management of Batteries in Electric Systems

Problem:

- Generator provides battery management
- High fuel usage, emission, increase maintenance
- PV spillage



Solution:

- With additional electronics battery provides its own management
- US Patent (6,353,304) 3/5/02
- US Patent (7,567,060) 6/3/07

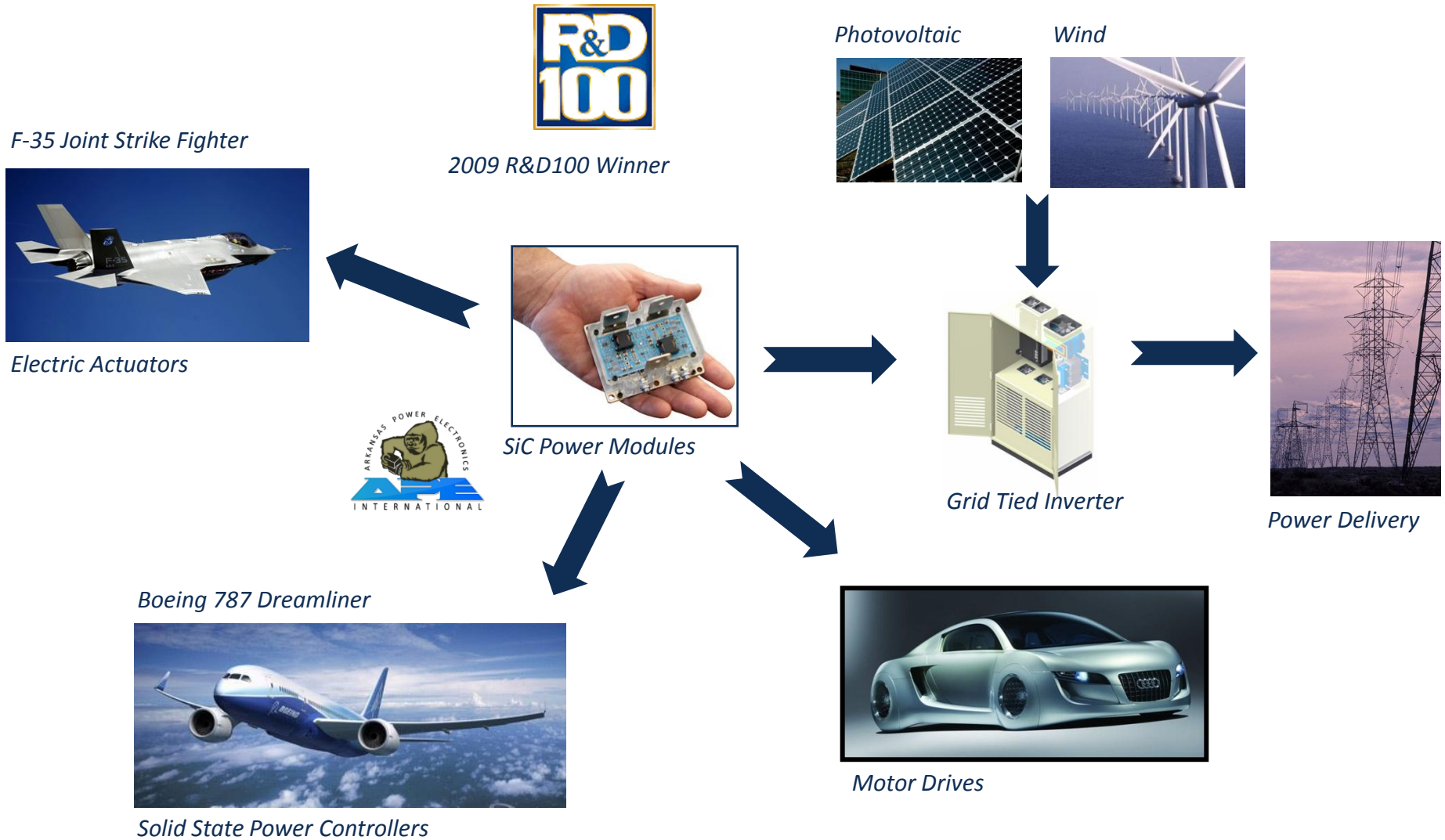
Coast Guard National Distress System



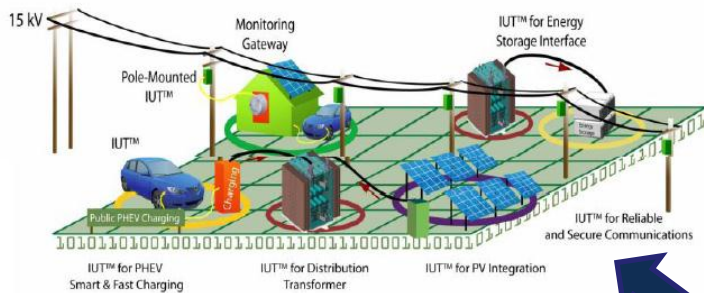
Duke Island Installation



High-temperature Silicon Carbide (SiC) Power Module



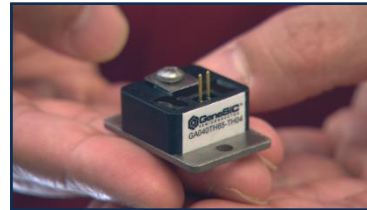
Ultra-high-voltage Silicon-Carbide (SiC) Thyristor



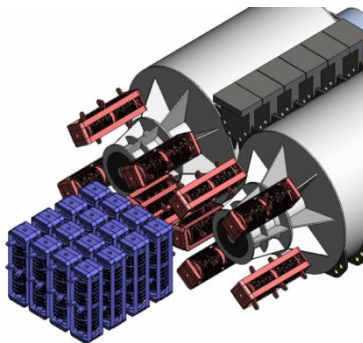
Smart Grid



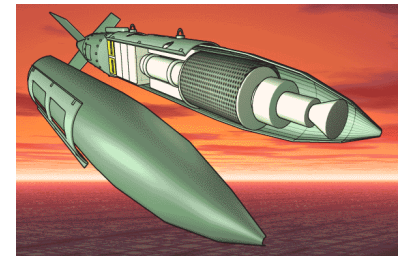
2011 R&D100 Winner



*GeneSiC Semiconductor
SiC Thyristors*

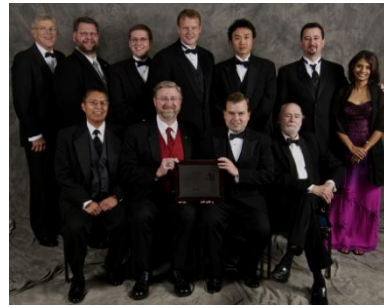
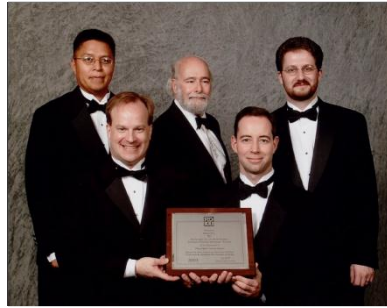
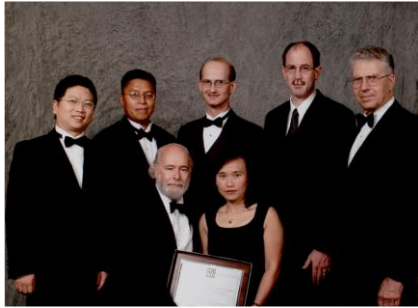


Rail Gun



Pulse forming network

DOE Power Electronics Program R&D 100 Awards



"The Oscars of Invention"- *The Chicago Tribune*

“For 45 years, the prestigious R&D 100 Awards have been helping companies provide the important initial push a new product needs to compete successfully in the marketplace. The winning of an R&D 100 Award provides a mark of excellence known to industry, government, and academia as proof that the product is one of the most innovative ideas of the year”

- Established by the editors of R&D Magazine



American Indian Science & Engineering Society Technical Excellence Award 2007

- Technical Excellence
 - The nominee must have made a significant contribution to science, engineering, or technology by having designed, developed, managed, or assisted in the development of a product, service, system, or intellectual property.



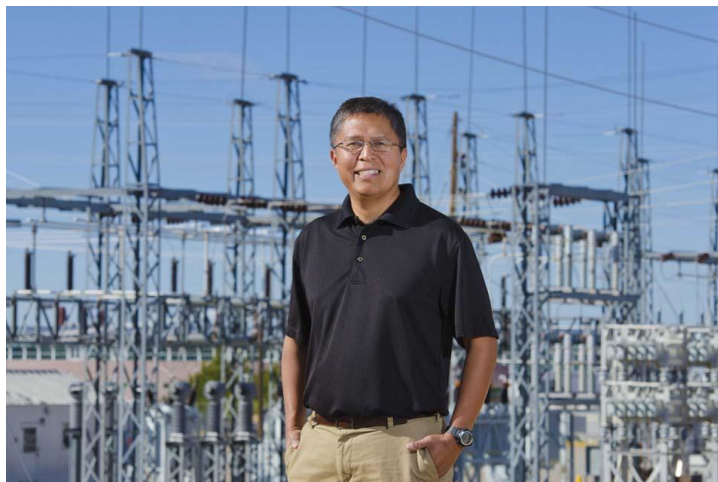
Conclusion



Courtesy NTUA

- In general, American Indians are drawn to nature
- Nature has helped our people with food, shelter and natural medicine which continues to this day
- Engineers and scientists have figured out ways to harness the solar light to produce heat or electricity by way of solar concentrators and photovoltaic systems
- Natural fit for American Indians interested in science and engineering

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