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CENTER FOR POWER OPTIMIZATION OF
ELECTRO-THERMAL SYSTEMS

Overview

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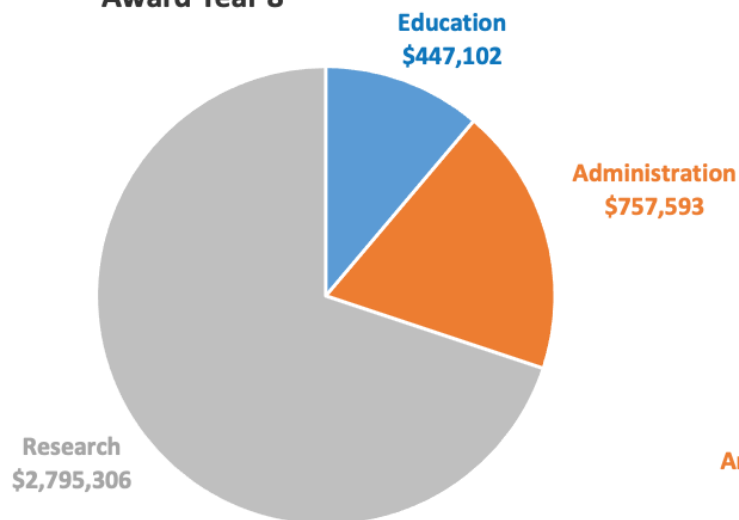


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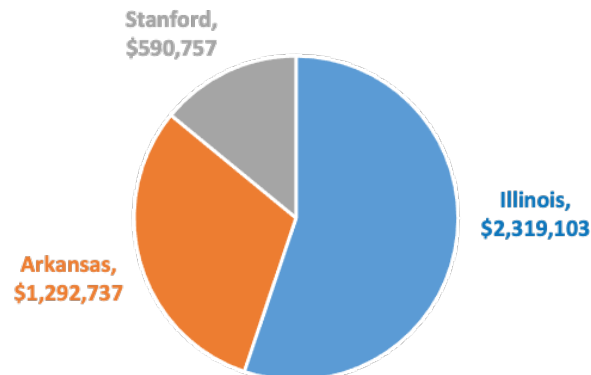
- Resource allocation in line with strategic planning
- Majority of resources to research
- Low administrative efforts

**NSF Budget by Category
Award Year 8**



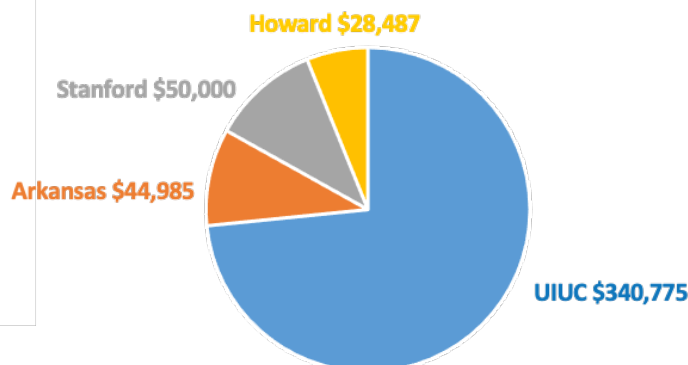
NST Funds Y7: \$4,000,000

**Associated Project Funding
Year 7**



Associated Projects Y7: \$4,202,256

**Industry Funded Projects
Year 7**

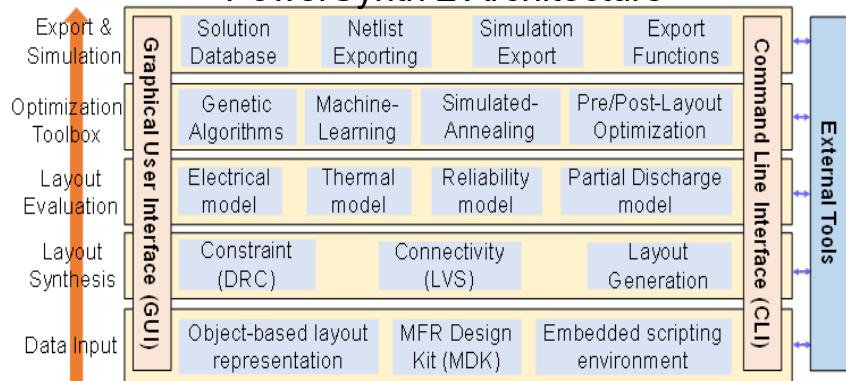


Industry Funds Y7: \$464,247

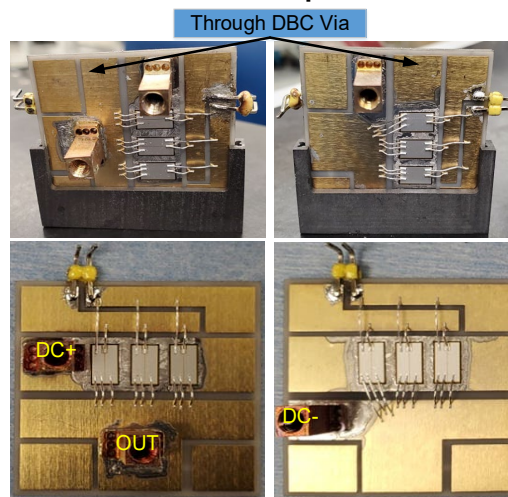


- PowerSynth v1.4 won the **First Place** Award in “ECCE 2021 Student Software Demonstration Competition”. It will be open-sourced on github soon.
- State-of-the-art hierarchical 2D/2.5D/3D high-density power module optimization capability demonstrated with hardware validation through PowerSynth 2.
- Four conference, two journal papers published, two graduates since last October.
- Both Windows and Linux binary package available for PowerSynth 2, with manuals and design cases. <https://e3da.csce.uark.edu/release/PowerSynth/>
- **PowerSynth 3D** is our latest offering for power converter EDA. It incorporates domain-specific knowledge and data-driven models based on component libraries.

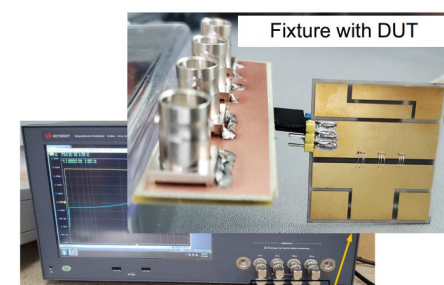
PowerSynth 2 Architecture



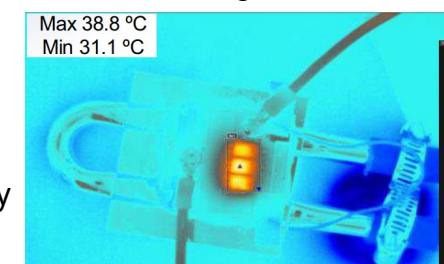
Methods	L _{Loop} (nH)	Runtime (s)	Netlist size	Speed up	Error
FastHenry	17.3	8.00	1	-	-
PEEC	16.1	0.835	1820	9.6 ×	6.9%
Loop Model	16.5	0.434	9	18.6 ×	4.6%



PowerSynth 2 designed high-density 3D power modules fabricated at HiDEC and validated at NCRPT [1]



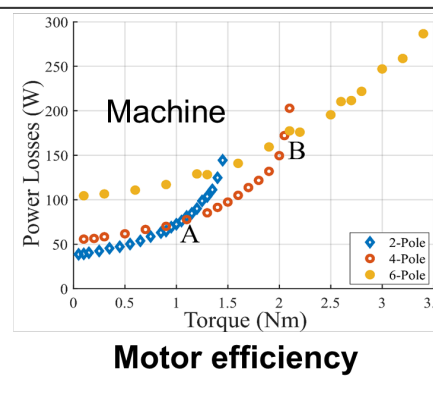
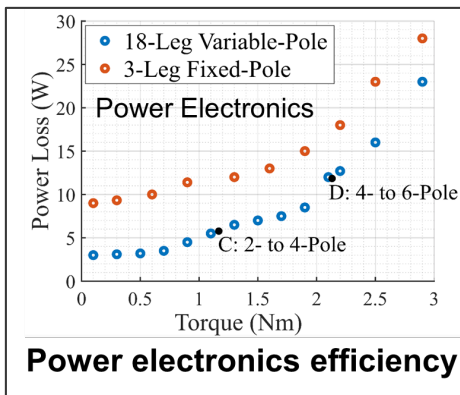
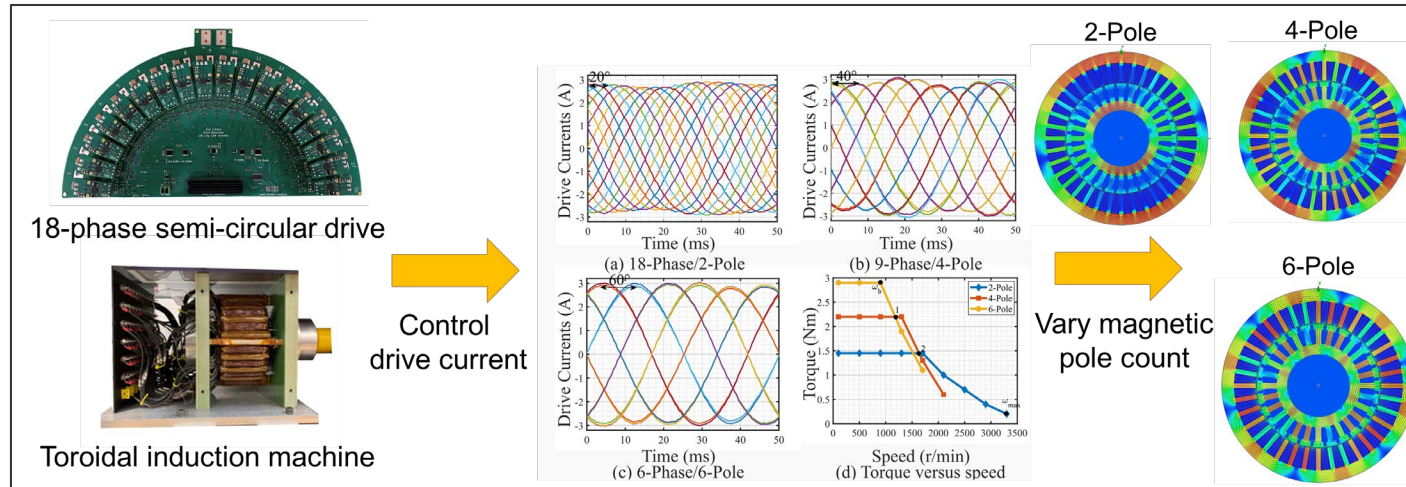
Electrical testing at Zhao's lab



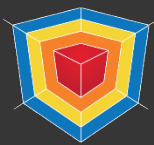
Thermal testing at Huitink's lab



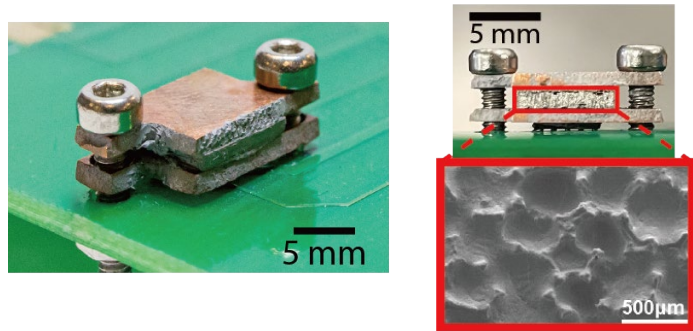
- Variable Pole Induction Machine increases efficiency over a wider operating range
 - Change magnetic pole count on the fly by controlling 18 phase currents



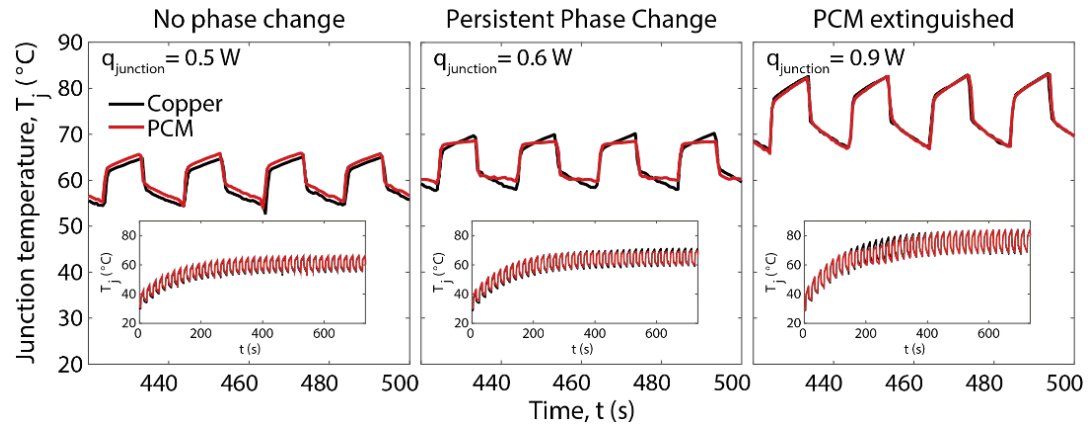
- Experimental validation on low power bench top system
- Also, losses spread out over more phases so total temperature rise is less than a 3 pole count motor



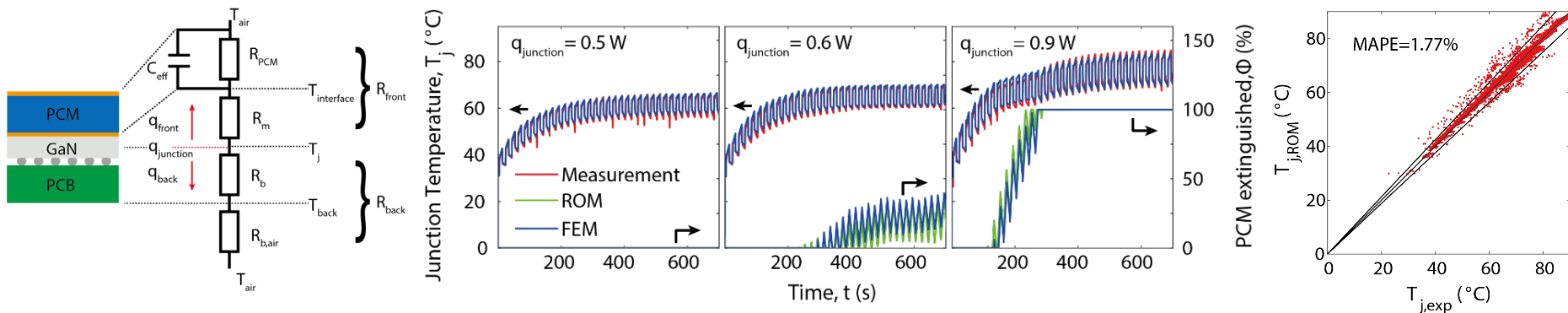
- Phase change materials (PCM) for transient thermal buffering in electronics.



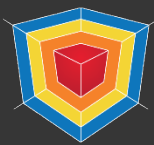
Field's metal/Cu foam composite



- Achieved up to **21% junction temperature swing reduction** compared to copper reference.



- Reduced-order model (ROM) provides expedited prediction tool for PCM integrated cooling optimization.
- ROM model solution takes **99.9% less time** when compared to finite element method simulations tools.

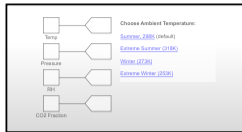


POETS Thrust 1 & 3: Virtual Testbed

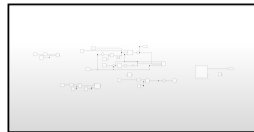
Miljkovic/Goodson/Alleyne



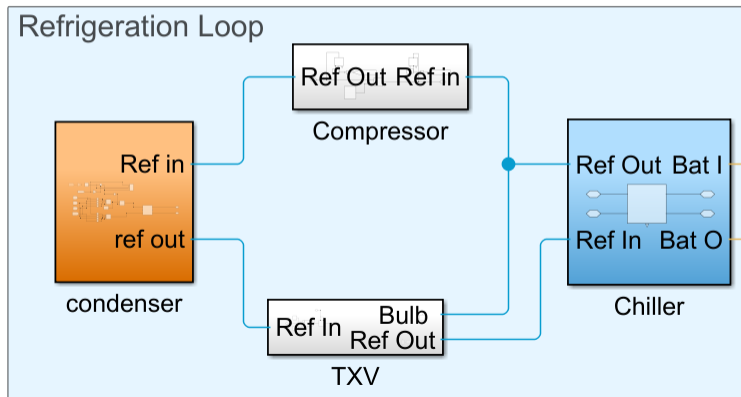
Ambient Conditions



Charging Algorithm



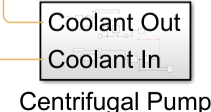
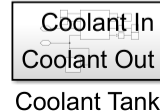
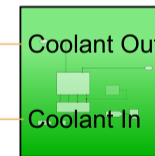
Refrigeration Loop



Radiator



Battery

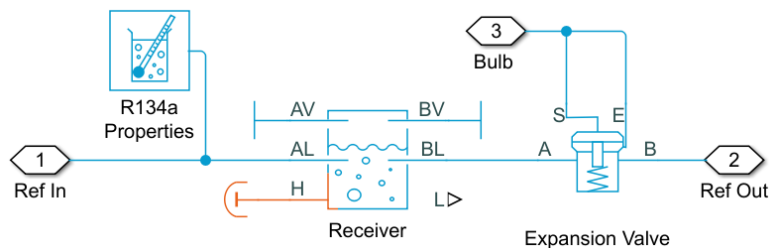


Virtual Testbed for System Level Analysis e.g. EV Thermal Management

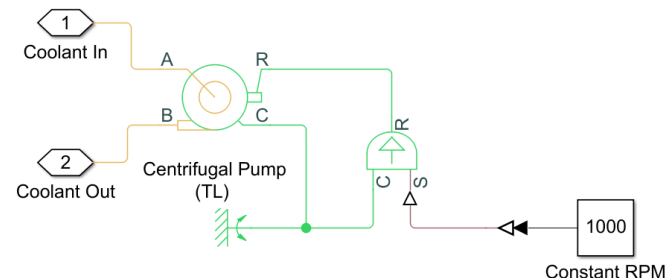
- Extendable to other electro-thermal applications (aircraft/naval/offroad)

Reconfigurable System Blocks

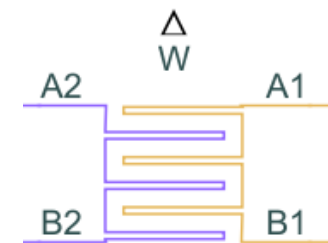
Expansion Valves and Refrigerants



Pumps



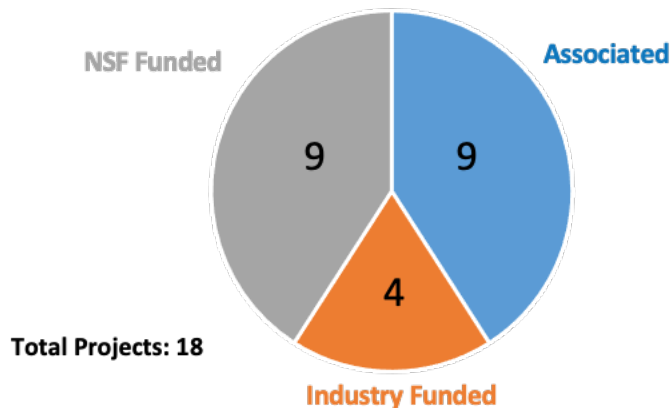
Heat Exchangers:
Radiator/Cond/Evap/Chiller



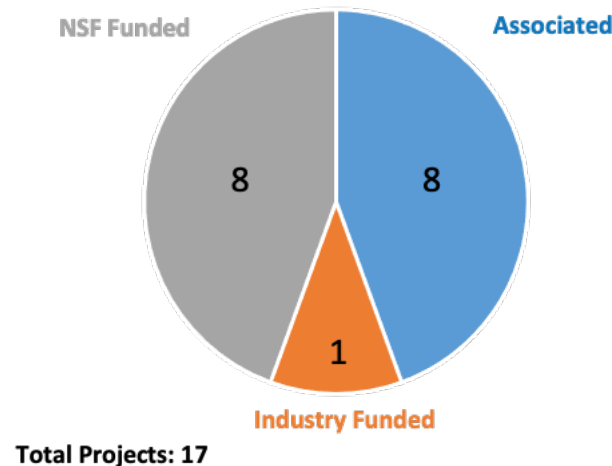


- Research activity is spread across the center

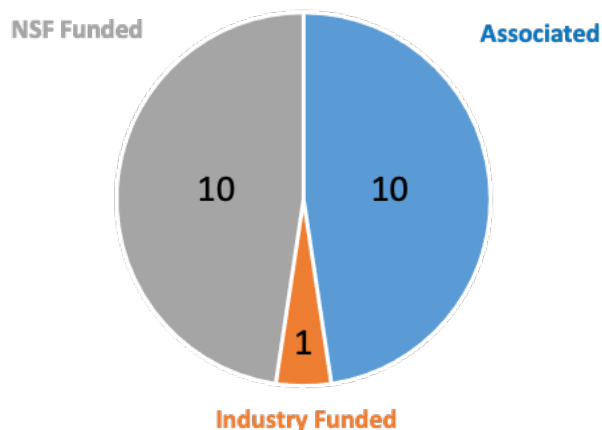
Thrust 1



Thrust 2



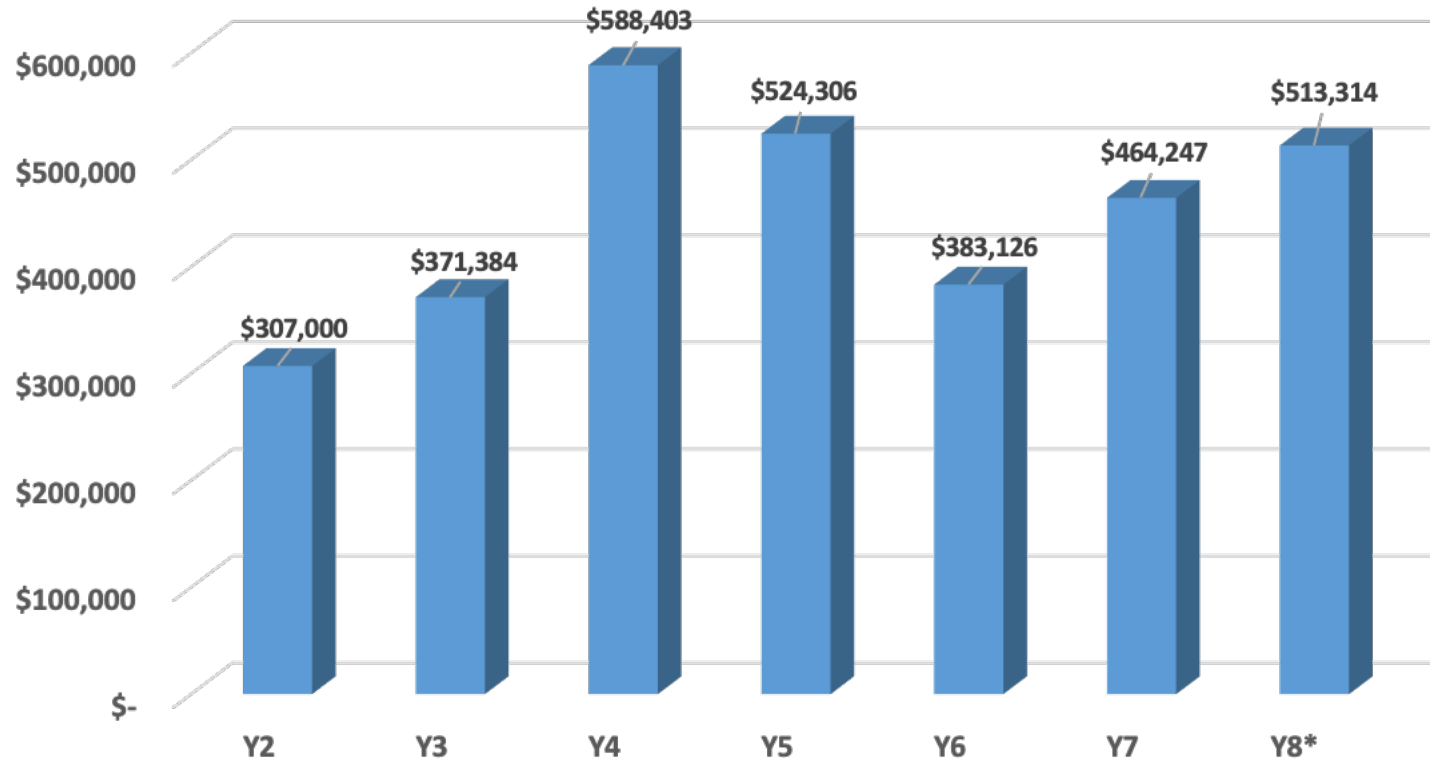
Thrust 3



- Thrusts 2 and 3 are similar in project activity
- Well balanced
- This is in line with prior strategic planning



POETS Industry Project Funding Trend

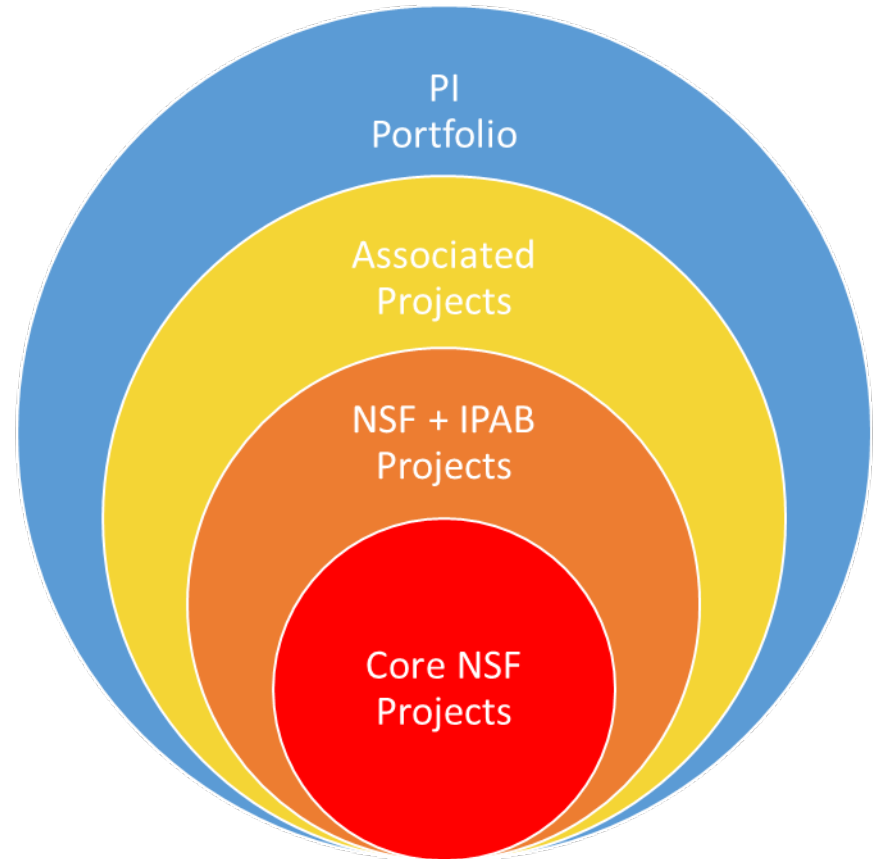


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* Note, Y8 is a projection and has assumptions built in




- Strategy of core plus associated projects is still sound
 - Y7 core NSF research was about \$2.8M
 - Y7 IPAB research was about \$0.43M
 - Y7 Associated Project expenditure were about \$4.2M
- Several new Associated Projects received and applied for in Y8 to date



Overall, the POETS research portfolio is strong



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- POETS infrastructure is maturing



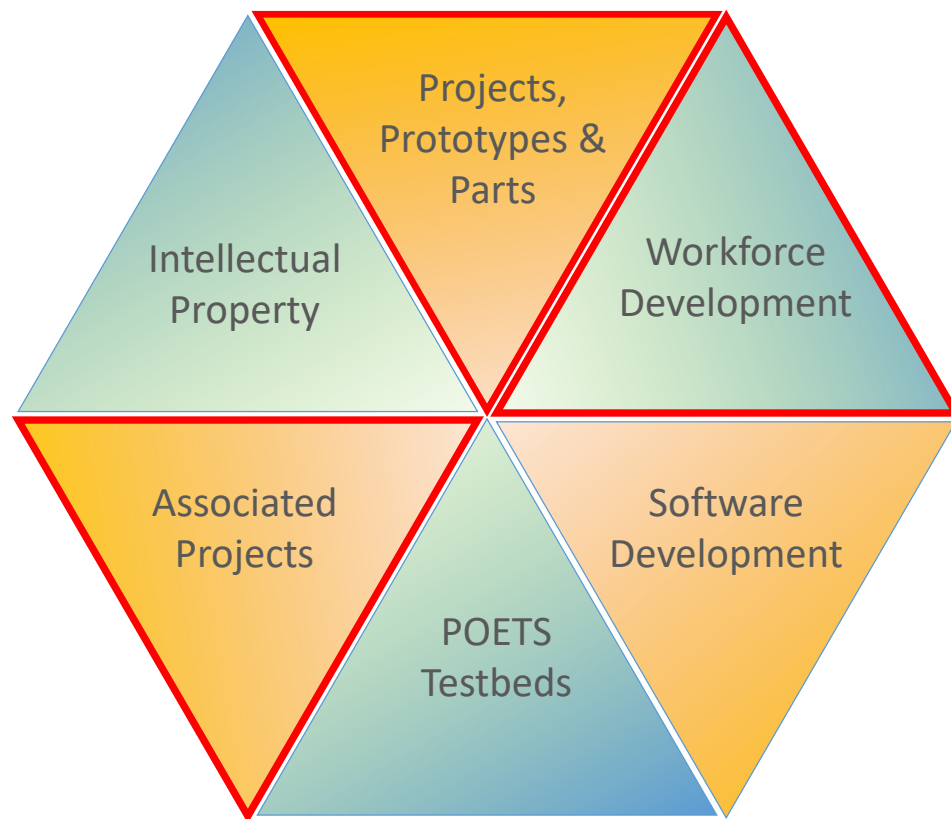
- Investing in new equipment
 - ~500K equipment supplement in 2021 from NSF
 - Both at UIUC and Arkansas
- Brunswick Marine Testbed



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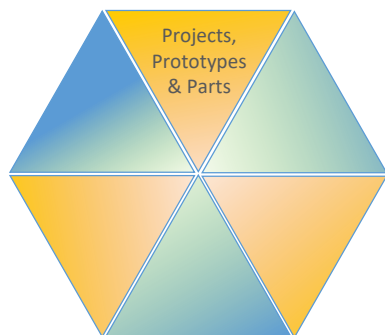


Success of a center is often measured by how the technology and knowledge is transferred across industry, government, and academia. While intellectual property and patents are both tangible metrics to measure tech transfer, POETS is also tracking 5 additional metrics that we believe provide a broader and more complete picture of the impact POETS is having in the electrified mobility space.





Technology Transfer – Projects, Prototypes & Parts



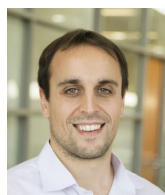
Directed Projects



Dr. Alleyne



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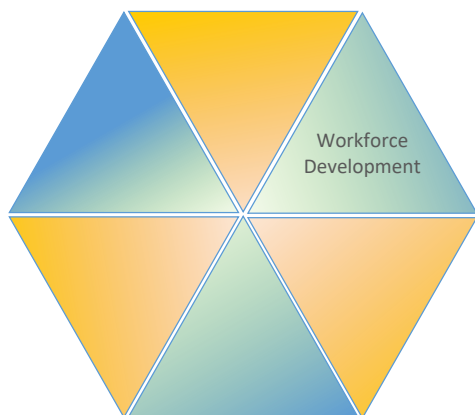


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Project Leader	Collaborators	Project Title	IAB Project Liaison
Dr. Pingfeng Wang (UI)	Dr. Nenad Miljkovic (UI) Dr. Sonya Smith (HU)	Battery Pack Power-Thermal Co-Management System Design Optimization for Enhanced Reliability and Safety Performances	BRUNSWICK 
Dr. Ken Goodson (SU)	Dr. Mehdi Asheghi (SU), Dr. Nenad Miljkovic (UI)	Virtual Testbed for Fast Charging Battery Systems	BRUNSWICK 
Dr. Debbie Senesky(SU)	Kiruba Haran (UI), Pingfeng Wang (UI)	Data-Driven Reliability Monitoring and Fault Diagnostics of High-Power Density Motors via Embedded Magnetic Field Sensors	PC KA 
Dr. Nenad Miljkovic (UI)	Dr. Juan Balda (UA) Dr. Yue Zhao (UA)	Additive-Manufacturing-Enabled High-Temperature and High-Density Power Electronics	
Dr. Pingfeng Wang (UI)	Dr. Nenad Miljkovic (UI) Dr. Sonya Smith (HU)	Reliability-Based Co-Design of a Battery Power-Thermal Coupled Management System	PC KA 
Dr. Yue Zhao (UA)	Dr. Nenad Miljkovic (UI)	A High Density Isolated High Voltage (800V) DC-DC Converter for Aux Power Supplies in Automotive and Off-Road Applications (Figure 1)	
Dr. James Allison (UI)	Dr. Kai James (UI)	Optimal 3D Spatial Packaging of Interconnected Systems with Physics Interactions	 PC KA 
Dr. David Huitink (UA)	Dr. Nenad Miljkovic (UI) Dr. Alan Mantooth (UA)	Enablement of High-Voltage, High-Power Modules via Performance and Durability Validation of Direct Cooling, Voltage Blocking Technologies	CAT  Rolls-Royce 
Dr. Debbie Senesky(SU)	Dr. David Huitink (UA) Dr. Greg Salamo (UA)	Reliability of GAN Magnetic Field Sensors Under Industry-Relevant Conditions	 CUA
Dr. Eric Pop (SU)	Dr. Fang Luo (UA), Dr. Debbie Senesky (UA)	"Smart TIMS" (Thermal Interface Materials) for Power Electronics (Figure 2)	 Rolls-Royce 
Dr. Kai James (UI)	Dr. James Allison (UI)	Novel Solution Methods for Optimal 3D Spatial Packaging and Routing of Electro-Thermal Systems	 CUA
Dr. Fang Luo (UA)	Dr. David Huitink (UA) Dr. Eric Pop (SU)	Advanced Co-packaged Si-IGBT and SiC-MOSFET Hybrid Switch Power Module	
Dr. Alan Mantooth (UA)	Dr. Ken Goodson (SU)	Feasibility Study of Tight Integration of Power Electronics and Micro-Cooler around DBC Platform	



Technology Transfer – Workforce Development



Conversions



- 3 Full-Time Employees



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- 1 Full-Time Employee
- 1 Internship



- 2 Internships



- 4 Full-Time Employees
- 2 Internships



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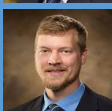
- 1 Full-Time Employee

Technical Seminars Attendees

Dr. Balda



Dr. Zhao



Dr. Huitink



SiC Component Design



Dr. Asheghi
Stanford University



Dr. Gupta
Ford

Thermal Mgmt – Embedded Systems



Dr. Zhao
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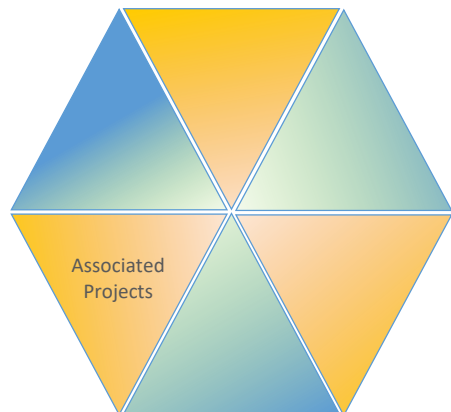
Dr. Huitink
NASA
University of Arkansas

Reliability Considerations

	SiC Component Design	Thermal Mgmt – Embedded Systems	Reliability Considerations
AFRL	3 Employees	1 Employee	
Brunswick	7 Employees	2 Employees	4 Employees
Caterpillar	4 Employees	2 Employees	1 Employee
CUA	1 Employee		
Deere	5 Employees	2 Employees	16 Employees
Ford	3 Employees	3 Employees	3 Employees
NASA	4 Employees	5 Employees	5 Employees
PcKA	1 Employee	1 Employee	1 Employee
Raytheon		6 Employees	6 Employees
Rolls-Royce	1 Employee	1 Employee	
	29 Total Employees	23 Total Employees	36 Total Employees



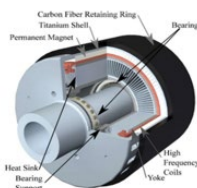
Technology Transfer – Associated Projects



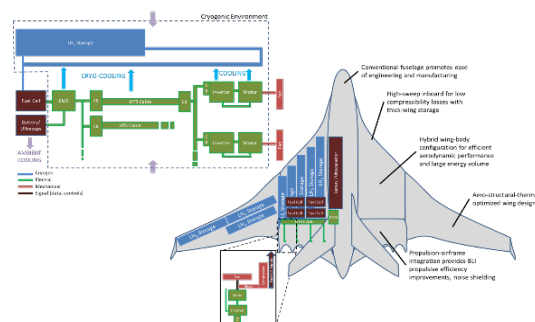
High-Efficiency Electric Machines (Multiple Projects)



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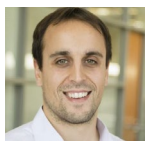


Cryogenic High-Efficiency Electrical Technologies for Aircraft



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Flow Boiling Experiments for Cryogen Transfer for Aerospace



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Dr. Zhao



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Articulated Dump Truck Electrification

High-Power Density Inverter



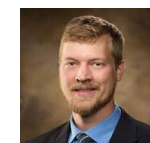
Dr. Zhao



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Short Courses and Training

- **Responsive** to IPAB member suggestions and needs
- 3 Short Courses Delivered
 - SiC Design
 - Automotive Thermal Management
 - Reliability Considerations
- Over 50 IAB members attended

Cross-Institution Technical Events

- Student Technical Conference
- Single day, 3 track event
 - >30 student technical talks

3 Industry talks in Year 7

- Brunswick
- GE Research
- Raytheon

Workforce Development

Since 2016, 45 POETS Master's & PhD students graduated

- 13% postdocs



- 17% faculty



- 55% industry

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- 7% gov/other



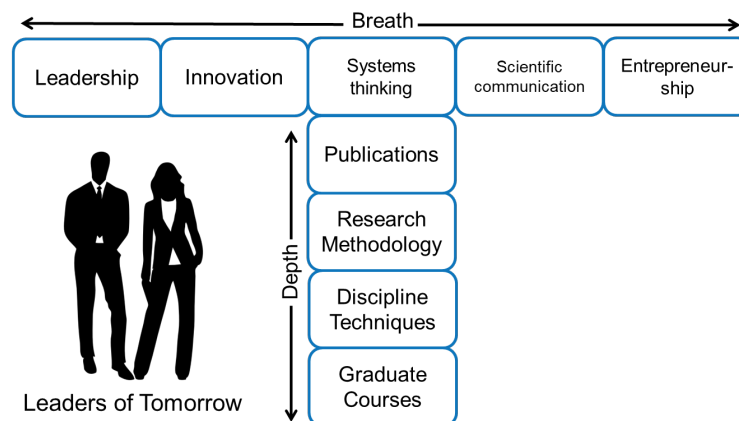
GE Research

Honeywell



We currently have over 100+ graduate students and 50 undergraduate students in the pipeline

Training Approach





New--POETS Future Technical Leaders



- Universities typically train students to *do* research
- POETS is now training a select group of students to *lead* research in industry in the future
 - 11 students graduated in first cohort
 - All 4 core partners
- Target is to help launch future group leaders, and beyond, in corporate R&D

Industry Support




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- We have come back relatively strong from Covid-19
- IPAB membership recovering after dip in the last two years
- We are growing the research program significantly through associated projects, and transferring technology well
- Overall, things are in good shape now
- Looking forward:
 - Continue building and refining the teams for external opportunities
 - Maintain the core + Associated Project model
 - Everyone lean in to assist in the transition
- Keep an eye on 2025
 - A little over 1000 days away
 - Primary goal - sustainability and continued impact on the electrification industry