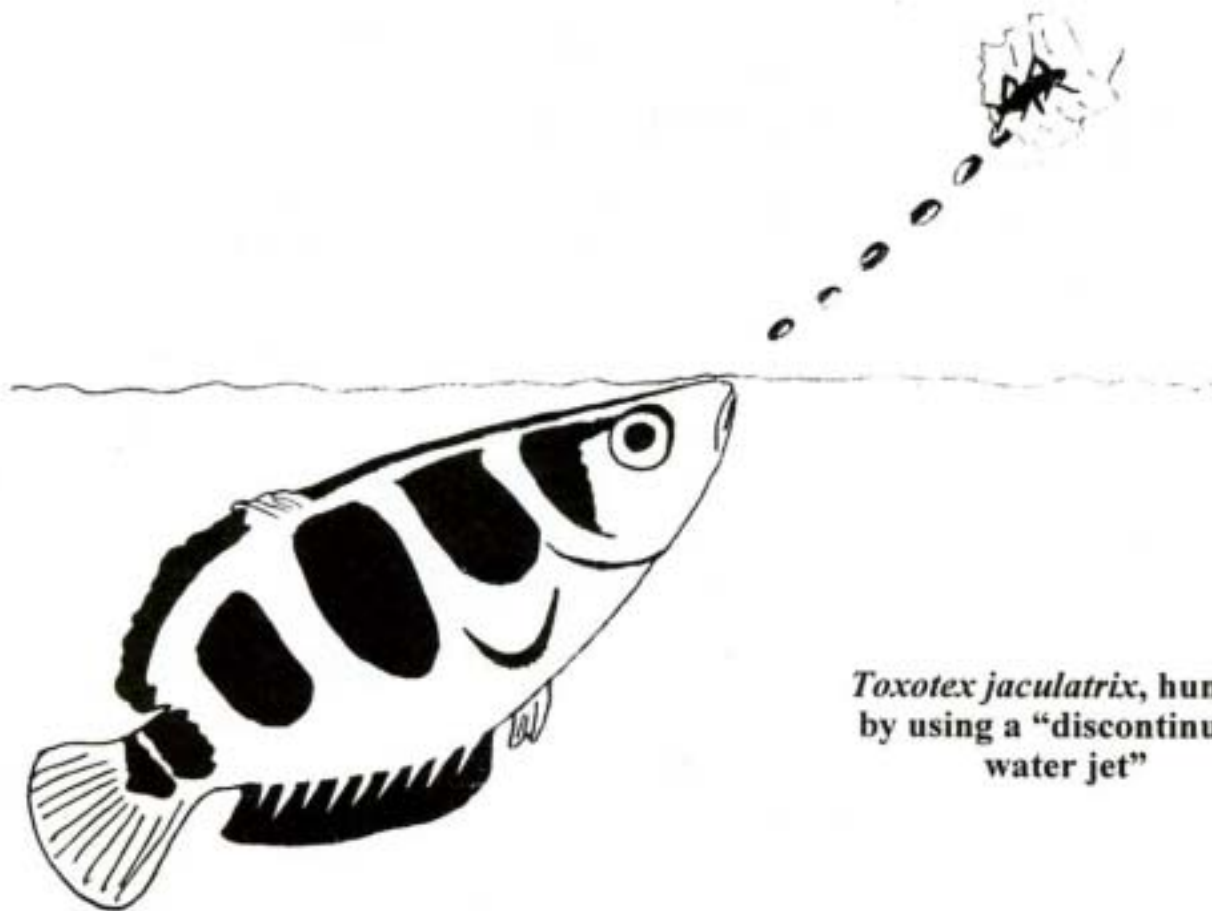




Water Jet Blasting In Nature

By: Andreas W. Momber, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky



Toxotes jaculatrix, hunting
by using a "discontinuous
water jet"

In many technological fields scientists and engineers follow the example of the developments of nature. Important examples for this connection of technique and nature, which is called bionic, are the helicopter - dragon fly, and the concrete TV-tower - blade of straw. The general philosophy behind this research field is the suggestion that in the course of some million years nature has found optimum solutions for many "technical" problems. So it is obvious to look if the jet blasting principle is used in nature, especially in the animal kingdom.

A process that is comparable with jet blasting is the so-called "spitting" of some fish species, among them *Colisa chuna*, *Colisa lalia* and *Toxotes jaculatrix*. *Toxotes jaculatrix* uses the generated water jet only for spitting for feeding. The other species show spit behavior in case of nest building, fry tending, and owing to excitement.

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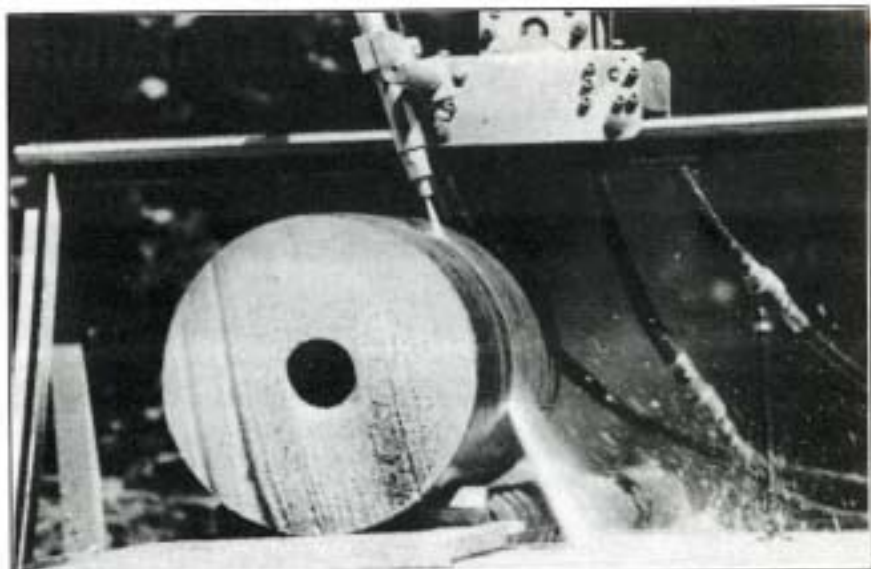
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Water Jets Disarm Weapons

By: George Savanick, Ph.D. and Paul Rozycki



Russian Rocket Motor. Photo courtesy of ALBA Industrie and Umweltschutzservice GmbH, Lübeck, Germany.

There is a lot of unwanted ammunition in the world. Disposal of some of it is required under disarmament treaties and some of it is left over from bygone wars.

Safe disposal is complicated by the large quantity and variety of this ammunition. In addition it is often not possible to remove fuses or otherwise disassemble the ammunition.

Water jet technology has emerged as a solution for this problem. Jets can cut any kind of ammunition and can remove the explosives from the casing.

ALBA Industrie & Umweltschutzservice GmbH of Lübeck, Germany has developed two water jet cutting systems for disposing of ammunition. The first is a high pressure water jet system to wash out explosives from shells and rockets. The other system is a high pressure abrasive jet system for cutting through the ammunition or rockets.

The high pressure water jetting system uses a rotating lance which enters into the body of the ammunition through an opening and emits a jet which erodes and washes out the filler. It washes out the explosive filler from mortar and artillery ammunition, hollow charges and mines, or bombs and warheads. It is also used to remove solid propellant from rocket motors. These jets have a maximum pressure of 500 bars (7,300 psi) and a maximum discharge of 150 liters per minute (40 gpm).

The high pressure abrasive jet cutting system uses abrasives such as corundum. It can cut holes in armored vehicles and can cut various weapons and ammunition including mortar and artillery shells, mines, bombs, warheads and rocket motors filled with explosives. The system can cut shell fuses that cannot be removed from the shell. It operates at a maximum pressure of 330 bars (4,380 psi) and a maximum water discharge of 70 liters per minute (18 gpm) and consumes 4 to 8 kg per minute of abrasives.

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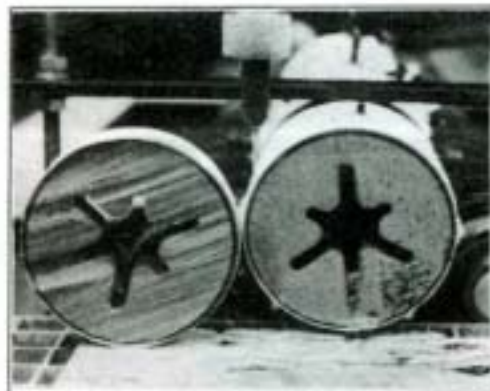
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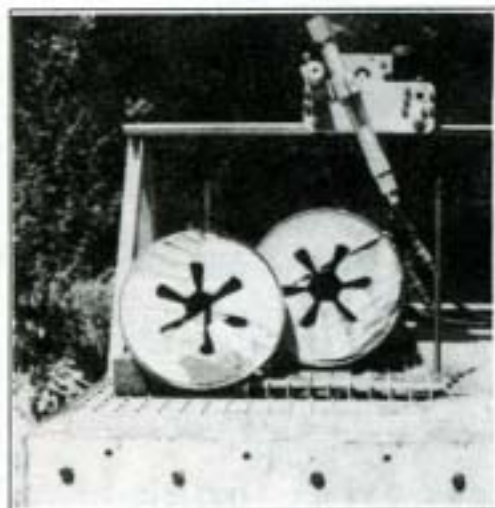
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Nike Hercules Rocket Motor



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Toxotes jaculatrix (t.j.) lives on the coast of southern Asia. It prefers to live in the mixing waters of estuaries, but also exists in pure fresh water or pure salt water and in mangrove marshes. Spitting is not the main way for feeding, but rather an alternative and complemented method, respectively. The fish picks up a certain amount of water in its mouth. As a result of contact pressure of opercle, the water volume is pressurized and transported through a tube. This tube is created by a gutter in the palate on the upper side and the tongue on the lower side. Consequently, from the "technical" point of view, one can discern "pressure generator" (opercle) and "orifice" (spitting tube). It is very interesting to note that this fish is able to vary shape and size of the orifice. Also it was observed that *Toxotes jaculatrix* generates a controlled salvo of single drops of high frequency. Both have been dreams of some researchers in the field of water jet cutting for many years.

The generation and application of spitting jets in case of the Family *Anabantidae* (*C. chuna*, *C. lalia*) is similar to that described before. *Anabantidae* lives in southern Asia, too, but lives in pure fresh water. Unlike *Toxotes jaculatrix* these species use spitting jets not only for prey hunting, but also for other reasons. For example it is known that masculine *Colisa chuna* frequently render the collecting of eggs after spawning easier by spitting water.

It is also known that some whale species look for food by using jets of water to remove mire from the ocean floor. Very popular is the behavior of the octopus, which generates water jets for driving shafts. German reference literature about the spitting of fishes is available from the author.



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115.0	0.282	60.0	84.9	103.9	120.0	134.2	147.0	158.7	169.7	180.0	189.7	199.0	207.8	216.3	224.5	232.4	240.0	247.4	254.6	261.5	268.3	7.168	120.0	

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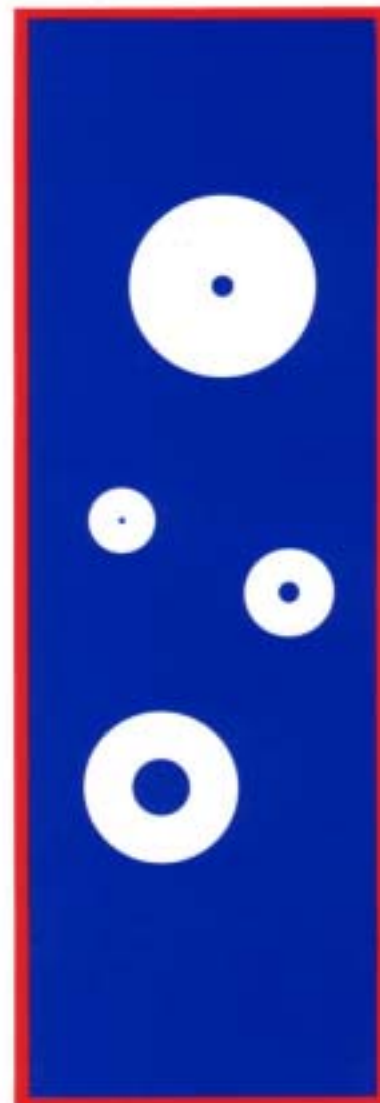
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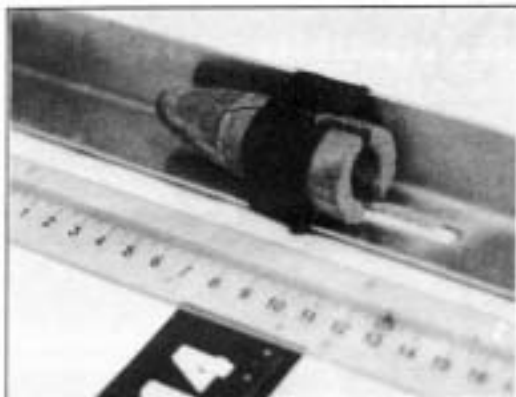
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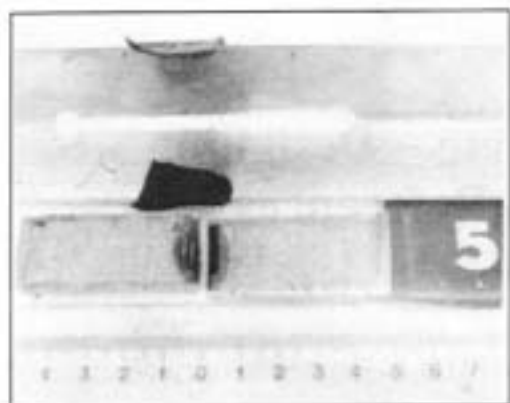


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Detonator for fuse (Warsaw Pact)



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Russian tank grenade



Russian tank hand grenade

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Water Jet Robot Cleans Heat Exchangers In Nuclear Power Plants

By: George Savanick, Ph.D. and Paul Rozycki

Foster Miller Inc. in cooperation with Consolidated Edison, EPI, ESEERCO, Public Service Electric and Gas and Northern States Power, has developed CECIL, a teleoperated robot which accesses remote areas within steam generator in a nuclear power plant. CECIL provides visual inspection, removes sludge from the tube sheet with a 6000 psi water jet, retrieves foreign objects and collects sludge samples. CECIL is controlled remotely by an operator stationed in a low radiation area.

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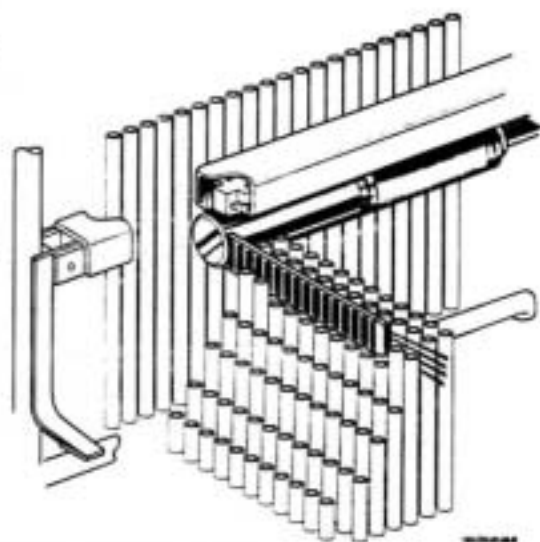


Fig. 1

Cecil 4 General Arrangement

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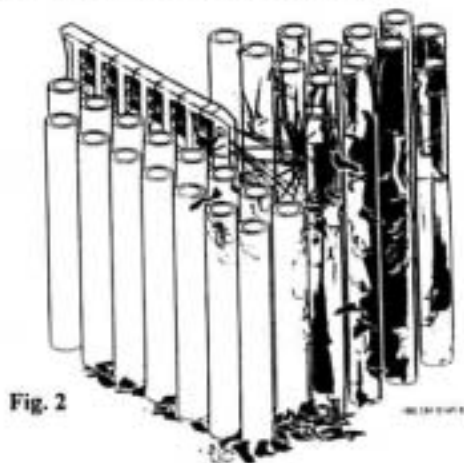


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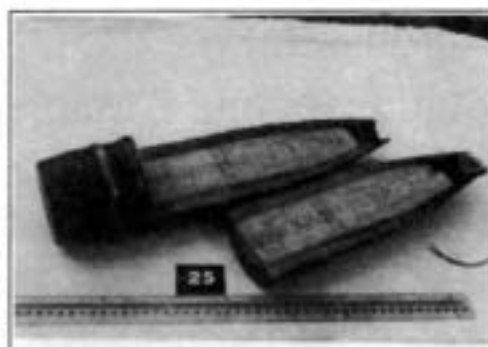
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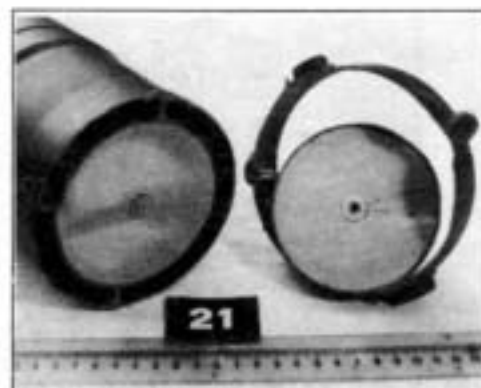
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A Russian artillery shell with a detonator

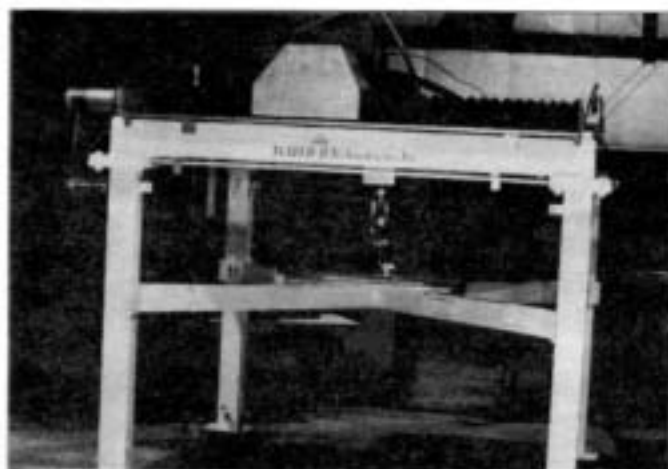


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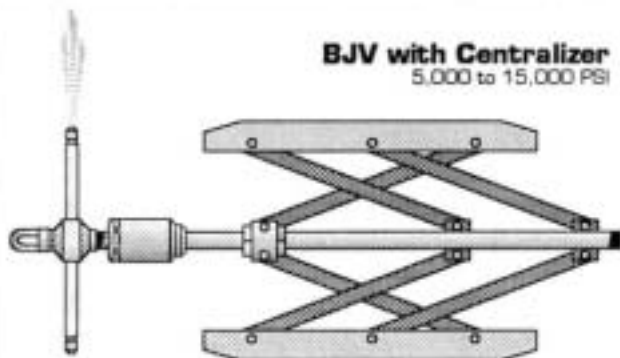
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