Overview
General Dynamics has teamed with the Air Force, Army and Navy to develop the next-generation high-speed, high-capacity encryptor, the POET ACM. This module performs numerous, concurrent COMSEC and TRANSEC operations and is the ideal high-grade cryptographic solution for communication terminals and transceivers.

The ACM is NSA-certified to secure information classified Top Secret/SCI and below and is an evolvable cryptographic platform that is the foundation for new cryptographic applications. The design provides flexibility, programmability and scalability enabling software only and software/hardware variants that are optimized for a specific terminal embedment. Reuse of the proven POET platform reduces risks to future development efforts and NSA certification. The POET ACM showcases General Dynamics’ state-of-the-art technology and builds upon its 40 years of providing Type 1 cryptographic chips, modules, and communications products.

POET ACM
The POET ACM is a programmable, embedded security device that provides NSA certified Suite A/Suite B encryption and key management. It has four independent, high-speed channels each capable of up to 2 Gbps operation. POET has the capability of running multiple modes/algorithms simultaneously with varying security levels and data rates. It is HAIPE®-compatible and has the ability to provide HAIPE data encryption and net-centric remote management capability. The POET ACM supports legacy algorithms for MILSTAR interoperability and modern modes for AEHF and TSAT terminals. The ACM architecture readily scales to both single and dual channels, thus realizing lower speed variants and reduced size, weight and power. The POET ACM is Crypto Modernization Initiative (CMI) compliant and supports uploads of both algorithm and management software.

Embedment of the versatile POET ACM realizes numerous advantages over previous cryptographic products. A single POET ACM can simultaneously provide a communications terminal with TRANSEC bit stream, orderwire encryption, link and baseband encryption. Embedment of a single cryptographic module versus many various modules in the communications terminal reduces both terminal size and complexity.
POET ACM Features

- NSA certified
- Up to four independent cryptographic engines each capable of providing 2 Gbps throughput
- High speed transmission security (TRANSEC) key stream generation
- High speed communication security (COMSEC) encryption/decryption
- Simultaneous operation of numerous TRANSEC/COMSEC waveforms
- Legacy and modern algorithms, waveforms, and communications standards
- Multiple Single Levels of Security (MSLS)
- Programmable algorithm/Cryptographic Modernization Initiative (CMI) compliance
- Programmable key management for both legacy and new Key Management Infrastructure (KMI)
- Scalable throughput and power

Benefits

- The flexible and scalable design readily adapts to emerging terminal requirements thereby reducing long lead time and high risk aspect of terminal development
- Provides crypto capabilities for above 2 GHz terminals
- Scalable to both single and dual channels, thus realizing lower speed variants
- Variants will accommodate reduced size, weight and power

Cryptographic Standards and Interoperability

- HAIPe version 3.0.2
- Link Encryptor Family (LEF)
- IP Security (IPSec)
- KGV-11/MILSTAR
- AEHF TRANSEC key stream and cover
- TSAT TRANSEC key stream and cover

POET ACM Applications

- HNW TRANSEC key stream and cover
- EKMS 308D Red and Black key load

POET ACM Applications

- Navy Multi-band Terminal (NMT)
- Family of Beyond Line of Sight Terminal (FAB-T)
- High Capacity Communications Capability (HC3) terminals
- Software Defined Radios
- Communications Terminals

Algorithms

- ACCORDION
- AES
- BATON
- FIREFLY
- Enhanced FIREFLY

Interfaces

- Red/Black Traffic and Control Interface – RGMII supporting Ethernet 1000Base-T
- Reprogramming Interface Ethernet 100 Base-T
- DS-101 key fill
- Cryptographic Ignition Key (CIK)
- Dedicated zeroize, tamper, reset inputs
- Dedicated health output
- 12 Volt Black Power