

# I. The Problem of Combat Compliance:

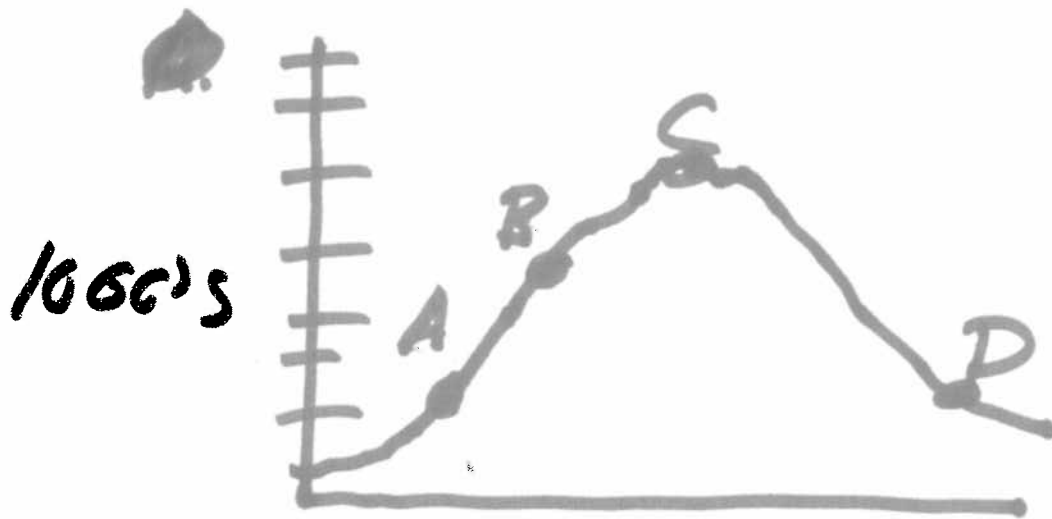
A. The Problem: The Variability of Compliance - From Maximum Compliance To Maximum Non-Compliance (Mutiny)

B. Compliance - Obedience To Combat Codes (Imperative Commands) That Entail Mortal Peril.

C. The Variability of Compliance - Explanations

1. Automaticity
2. Leadership
3. Combat Contract (The Cause)

# I. Variability - The Compliance Continuum (Compliance Types (levels)).



## Compliance Curve

A. Maximum Non-Compliance

1. Repudiation of Command Hierarchy - Mutiny (Russia, 1917)

B. Resistance & Renegotation (Minimum Non-Compliance)

1. French Army 1917

2. All Armies At Some

Tipping Point Willett

C. Minimum Compliance -  
Within Command Parameters  
1. U.S. Army - K.W. II, Korea,  
Vietnam (Routine Compliance)

D. Maximum Compliance -  
(Heroic) Above Command  
Parameters

1. U.S. Army, Civil War

2. British Army - 1940 - Dunkirk

3. D-Day - Omaha Beach, June 6, 1944

E. Searching For Explanations

1. Assumption - Rationality -

Combatants Recognize it

Understand Their Interests

And The Interests of Their States

2. This Means Combatants Can  
Balance Costs And Benefits of Compliance

# Combat Compliance

## The Battle of the Bulge (Watch on the Rhine) Dec. 16, 1944; January 25, 1945

- A. The Last German Offensive in the West - Goal - Prolong the War; Force A Separate Peace
  - B. Forces - 500,000 US; 600,000 German (German Tank Divisions are key weapons)
  - C. German Operational Plan - Breakout of Ardennes Forest - Surround & Destroy 30 US Divisions (15-20,000 Division)
  - D. Process and Outcome - Largest Land Battle of US Army; German Offensive Blunted - US Win; German Atrocities
  - E. Course of Combat - Germans Break through weak defenses; Surround Key Road Center at Bastogne; Patton's 3rd Army Counters attacks - breaks siege
- ## II. Episodes

- A. Encirclement at Bastogne ("Nuts")  
to Surrender")
- B. "Silent Night" Song at Bastogne
- C. 969th and 333rd FA Battalions
- D. Bernie Goldstein (Halt) E. José Lopez

## E. Episodes: Continued

### 1. Panzer (Tank) Lehr

- Commande Wastes 2 Hours  
Having Test with Captured U.S. Nurse

### 2. Accidental Christmas Dinner (4 German, 4 U.S.)

### 3. Capture of J. Piper (S. S. Tent Commander ("Those Dined Engineers"))

## F. Explanatory Hypotheses:

1. Automaticity

2. Leadership

3. Cause (Combat Context)

4. Explaining Compliance

