Future Technologies

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Naval S&T Focus Areas

- Power and Energy
- Operational Environments
- Maritime Domain Awareness
- Asymmetric and Irregular Warfare
- Information, Analysis, and Communication
- Power Projection
- Assure Access and Hold at Risk
- Distributed Operations
- Naval Warrior Performance and Protection
- Survivability and Self-Defense
- Platform Mobility

- Fleet/Force Sustainment
- Affordability, Maintainability, and Reliability



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A Revolution in Platform Capability





Structures & Affordability

• Low Cost, High-Strength Materials & Processes

•HSLA-65 Steel, Titanium, Marine-grade 10% Nickel Steel, Friction Stir Welding



Hull Structural Health Monitoring

- Aluminum, Composites, Unconventional Hullforms
- •Real-Time Feedback/ Monitoring, Service Life Prognoses





Density

Power

Next Generation Integrated Power Systems

Allows all Ship Systems to be Electrical

Power and energy control

Energy Storage

High Frequency

Alternating Current

(HFAC) 4-13.8kVAC

- Right Power, Right Place, Right Time
- Drive to increase capability at reduced fuel consumption

Enabling Technologies

Zonal ship service distribution **Medium Voltage Direct Current (MVDC)** 6 kVDC

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- **Reduced power conversion**
- Eliminate transformers
- Advanced reconfiguration

ON Rang **Medium Voltage AC Power Generation** (MVAC) 4-13.8 kVAC

Advanced propulsion motors

Common power conversion

High Speed Generator

200-400 Hz Power-dense generation Power-dense transformers

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Conventional protection





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INTOP is a...

- Multi-function, multi-beam aperture that radically reduces the number of antennas required
- •Scalable family of EW, RADAR (not high power) & communications capability to support multiple classes of ships
- Modular / open RF design (apertures and electronics) to facilitate best of breed technology and cost effective upgrades





Fighting at the Speed of Light & Hypervelocity

Free-Electron Laser • High- energy laser defense system

Electromagnetic Railgun

- Pulsed-power system
- 10 rounds/minute
- 6 minute flight
- 200 nautical miles

Weapons of Mass <u>Destruction Detection</u> • Multiple detection methods • Surveillance without boarding

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Ship-to-Ship Transfer & Material Handling

Flexible, responsive afloat warehousing technology

- Enables improved ship-to-ship logistics
- Improves sustainment of assembled Naval forces
- Reduces response times to humanitarian mission requirements

Interface Ramp Technologies

Large Vessel Interface Crane Technology



High Rate Vertical/Horizontal Material Movement





T-Craft Challenges





Problem:

Current Navy surface connectors have to be carried into theater within the well decks of our Amphibious ships. These Amphibious connectors carry small payloads over small distances and can only operate in low sea states.

Challenges:

- Self deploying over a long distance in high sea state unloaded
- Significantly higher payloads (4 to 10 times)
- Fully loaded unrefueled range >500nm at 40kts
- Cargo Transfer at the Sea Base in high sea states
- The ability to traverse sand bars and mud flats
- Fully amphibious landing capability

Technical barriers:

- Transition of Propulsion systems from in-water to out-ofwater
- Variable/retractable skirt geometry
- High strength, lightweight, long-wear materials
- Active ride control systems
- Human system integration
- Vehicle transfer at the sea base
- Complexity of mechanical drive system
- Hybrid electric drive options

Light weight structural materials Distribution A: Approved for Public Release



Launch and Recovery of Unmanned Vehicles

High-level Autonomy

- Dynamic mission planning/re-planning
- Advanced perception, vision-guided maneuvers
 - Obstacle avoidance
 - High Sea State Launch/Recovery

Autonomous Approach







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