

### Critical Role of Software Engineering in Development Planning and Sustainment

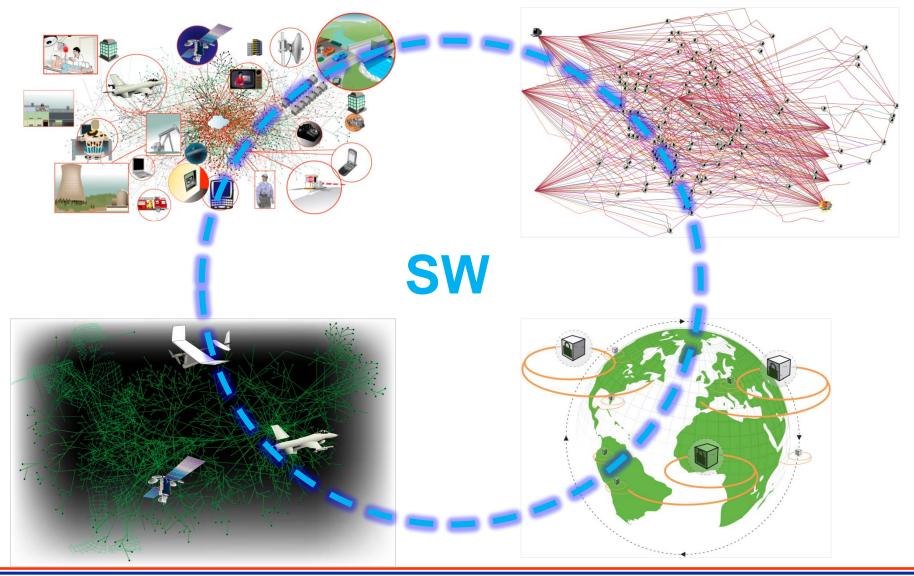
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### **Software – 21st Century Glue**







### **Key Points**

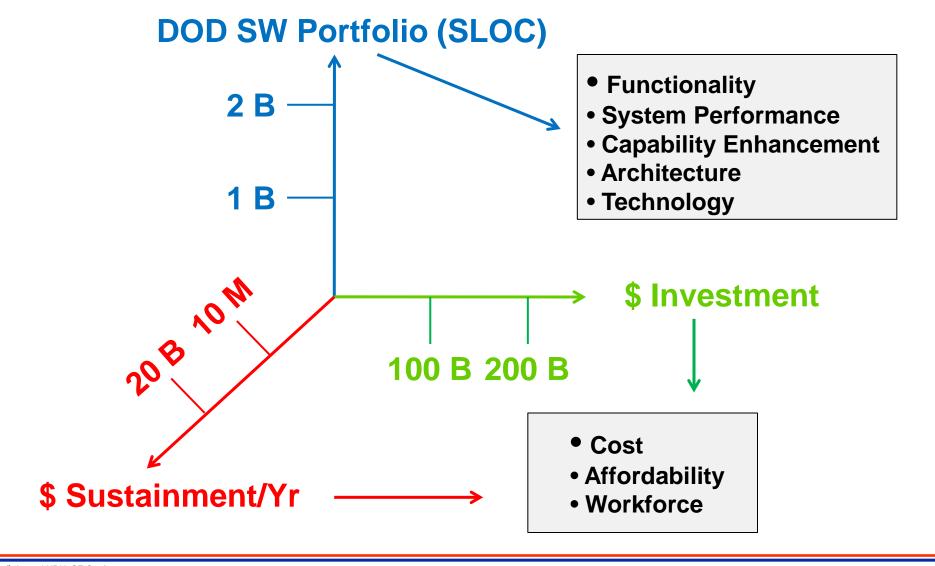


- Ever increasing SW performance and capital asset portfolio
- SW 21<sup>st</sup> Century modernization pathway to delivering rapid, affordable performance to the war fighter for the life cycle
- Early SW choices have major, decades long technical and program consequences
- Renewed emphasis on Development Planning demands engagement, active role of SW community to design approaches enabling life long system performance enhancements
- Consistent, continual application of SW engineering for life cycle critical for war fighter success



### Software: Performance & Capital Asset Portfolio

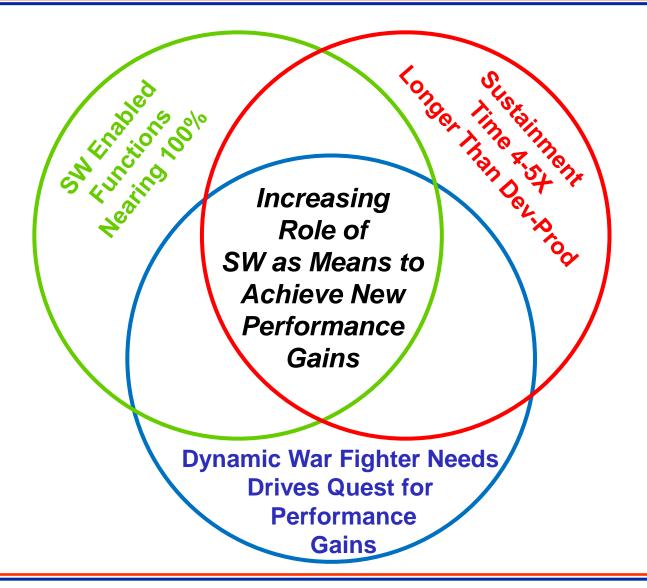






# Increasing Reliance on SW as Key Modernization Strategy Pathway

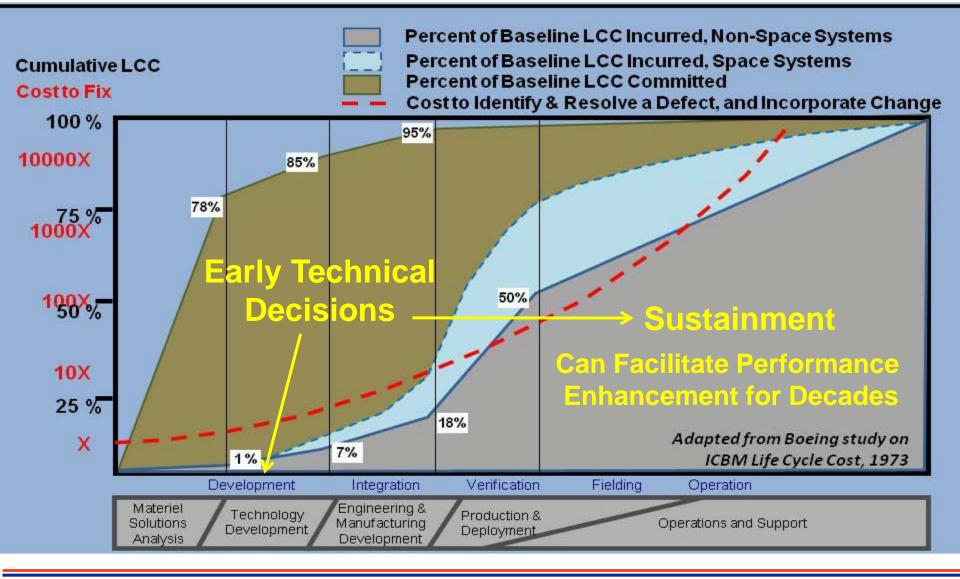






# Future Consequences of Early SW Decisions

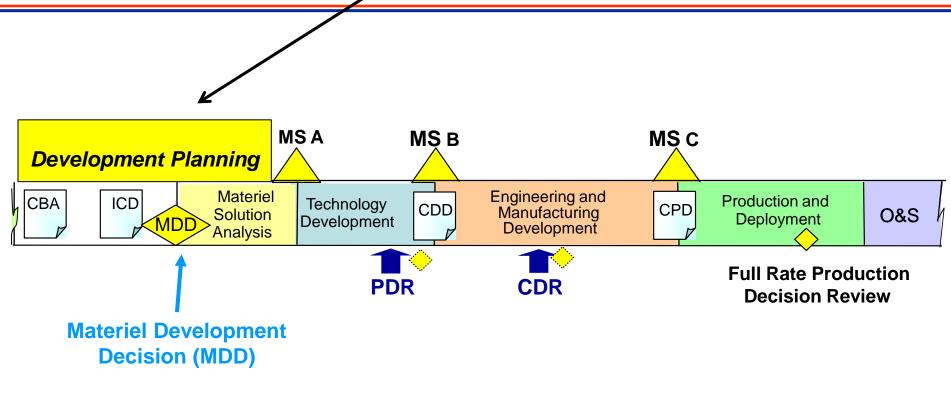






### Renewed Emphasis on Role of Development Planning



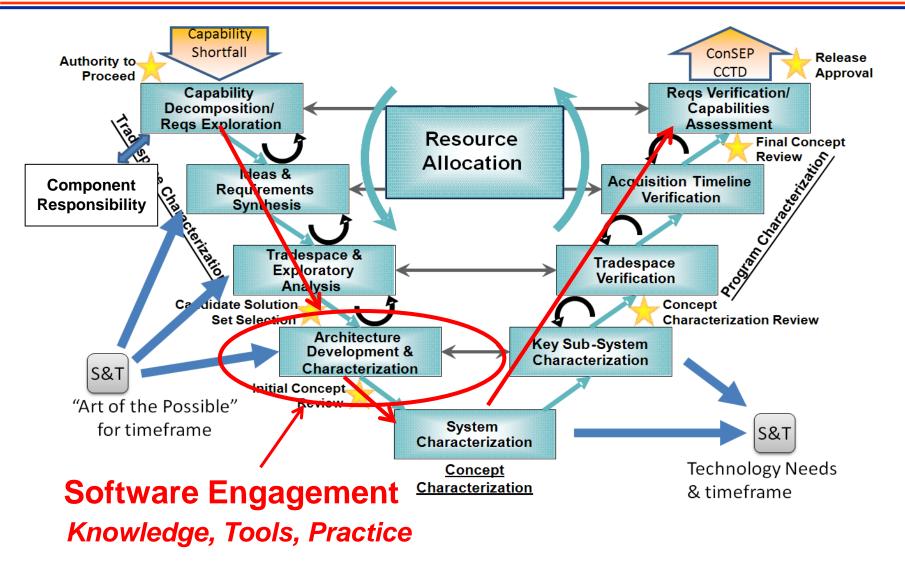


**Time - Decades** 



# Early Engineering Engagement Critical to Development Planning Success...

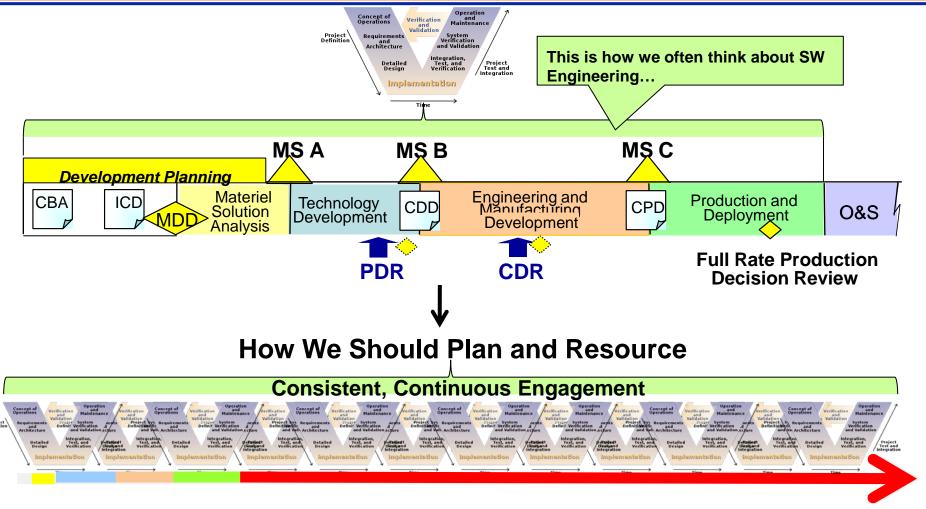






# ...Continuity of SW Engineering Critical to Program Life Cycle Success





#### **Time in Decades**



# Software Engineering in Sustainment



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### Contents of Typical SW Release in Sustainment

15%

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**70%** 

Enhancements
Perfect Changes
Repairs

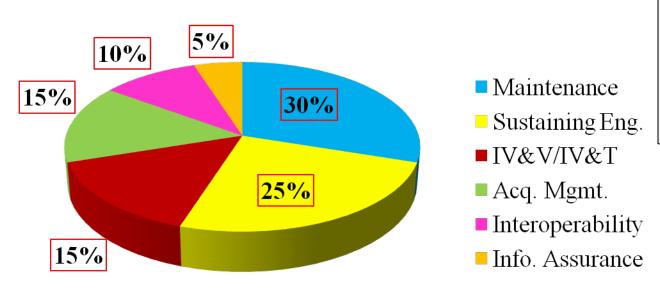
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### **Future SW Sustainment Demands**



#### **Distribution of Effort**



- More SW intensive systems
- Increasing demand for enhancements
- Net-Centric Warfare impacts
- New Security/Info Assurance requirements
- Distribution of effort to changes
- Increasing demand for SW engineering workforce capability

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# Continuous Systems Engineering: Critical to Life Cycle Program Success





- Sustainment the 21<sup>st</sup> Century route to performance enhancements for war fighter
- Must make right SW choices early in design enabling rapid, affordable enhancements in sustainment
- Imperative SW community proactively engage in Development Planning to influence best choices
- Develop knowledge, practices, and tools to make value contribution
- Consistent, continuous SW engineering engagement for multidecade success

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### **Questions**







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