

### U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command

# Toward A More Faithful Representation of the Soldier in Modeling and Simulation



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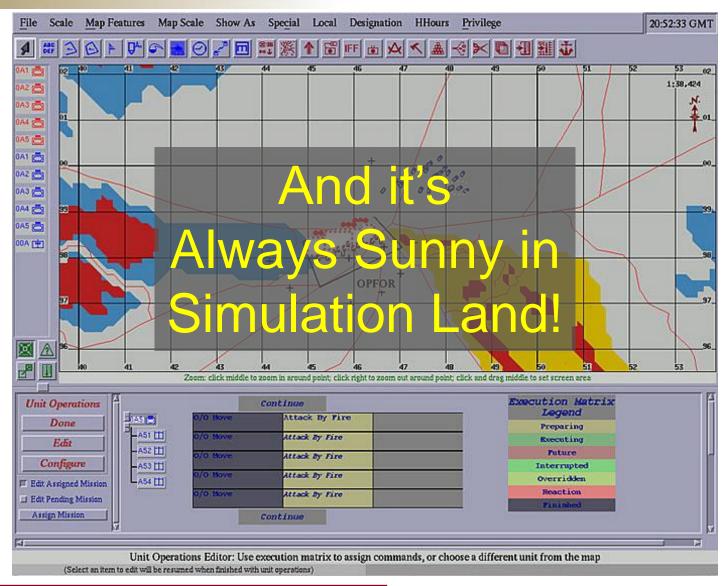






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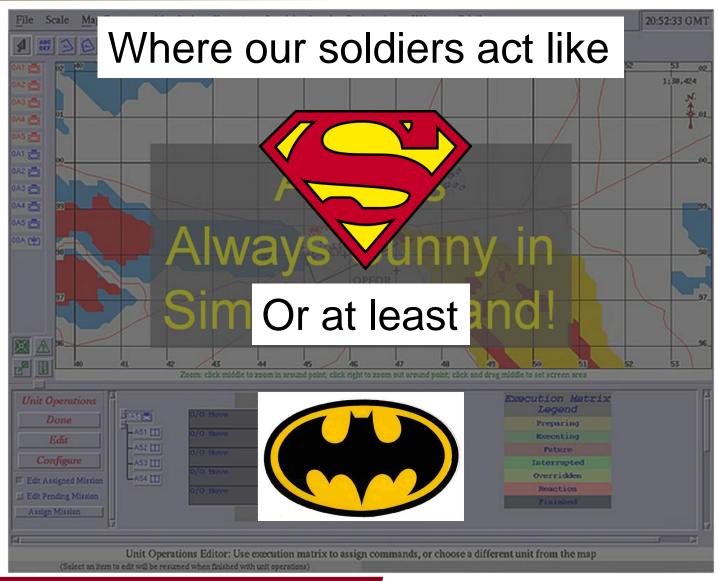










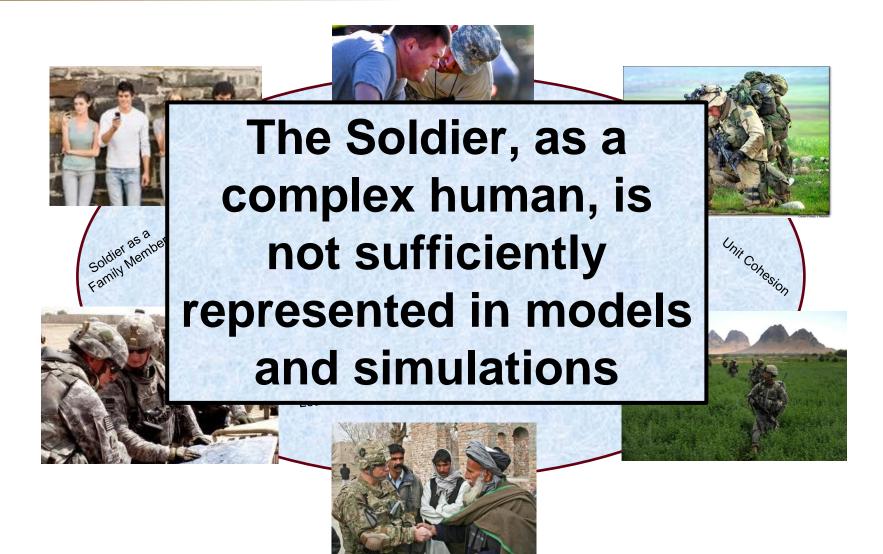






#### Conclusion From Our Experience









# Distributed Soldier Representation (DSR) Concept



- The Soldier, as a complex human, is not sufficiently represented in models and simulations
- The Army Research Laboratory (ARL-HRED-STTC) initiated the Distributed Soldier Representation (DSR) research project to:
  - Investigate those factors that affect Soldier effectiveness
  - Identify where there are gaps in modeling those factors in current Soldier representations
  - Offer a service oriented, distributed modeling and simulation (M&S) environment able to assist in filling those gaps.
- The DSR long range plan is to provide a capability to represent those human aspects that affect Soldier performance with greater fidelity and an increased realism in the representation of the Soldier within simulations.





#### **DSR Initial Areas of Interest**



- Cognition
- Morale
- Soldier Resilience
- Human Physiology
- Human Psychology
- Unit Cohesion
- Stress
- Leadership

- Unit as a Complex Adaptive System
- Decision Science
- Effects of the Soldier as a Family Member
- Service Oriented Architectures

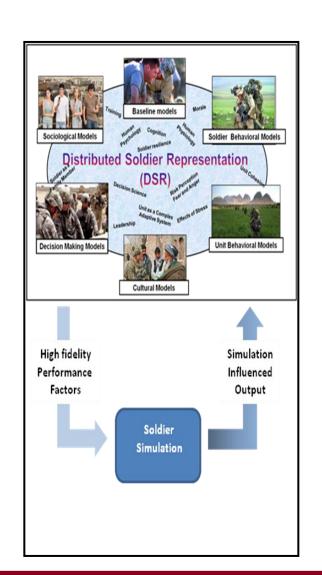
Actively soliciting partners to ensure Areas of Interest accurately capture current human performance research and modeling and simulation practice; Opportunity to bring human performance research to a community that is currently not benefiting from it.

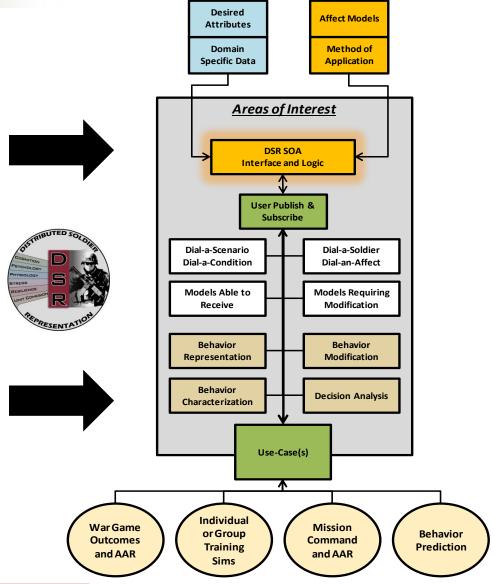




#### **DSR Concept Overview**













- SLATE (DSR Variant) Soldier Load Augmented Training Environment
  - Uses Army Institute of Environmental Medicine (ARIEM) database for physiological degradation
  - Initial Proof of Principal for integrating existing model
- EoS Effects of Stress Federate
  - Models limited effects of stress on small arms accuracy
- DSR Server Acts as a broker for distributed soldier effects server





#### **Select Research Questions**



- How can we integrate models and empirical data that represent dissimilar aspects of the Soldier that make them useful to analysis, training, experimentation and test?
- What aspects of the blue force should be represented, to what fidelity and in what combination?
- How does a DSR representative Soldier benefit the analysis, training, experimentation and test communities?
- What gaps in Soldier modeling exist to support the needs of DSR users?
- What simulation architecture can expose simulation services to disparate simulations in an effective way?
- What interface is required for a user to understand what it means to "dial a Soldier"?







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#### **Acronyms**



- ARIEM Army Institute of Environmental Medicine
- ARL Army Research Laboratory
- DSR Distributed Soldier Representation
- EoS Effects of Stress Federate
- HRED Human Research and Engineering Directorate (RDECOM ARL)
- RDECOM Research, Development and Engineering Command
- SLATE Soldier Load Augmented Training Environment
- SOA Service Oriented Architecture

