

# ***A Physics-Based Distributed Collaborative Design Process for Engineered Resilient Systems***

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# MSTC Vision & Mission



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## ➤ Vision

***Revolutionary aerospace vehicles through innovative multidisciplinary science & technologies***

## ➤ Mission

***Discover, assess, and exploit coupled system behavior for optimization of revolutionary aerospace vehicles***

***“Physics to Flight”***

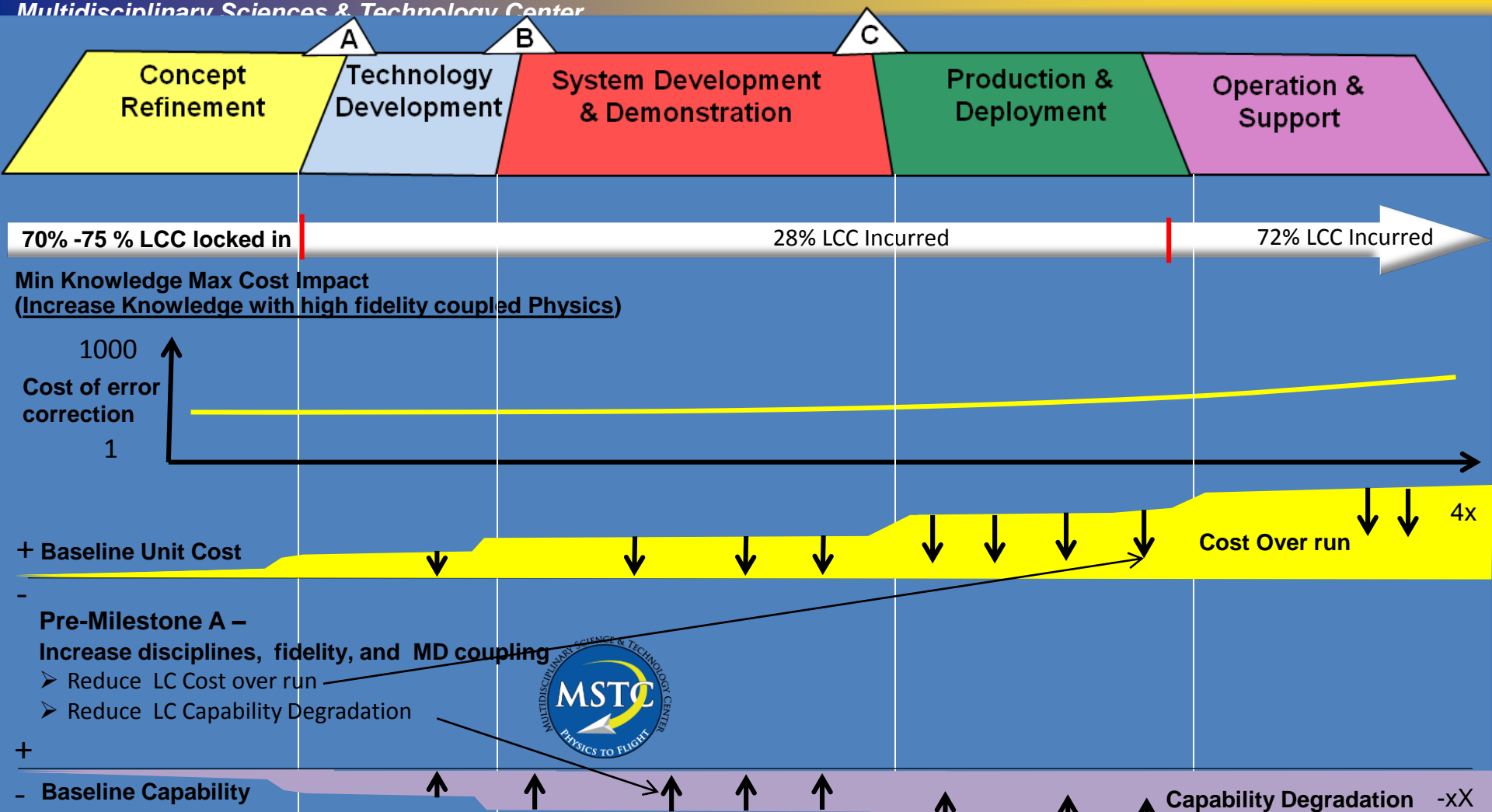




# Cost & Capability versus Life Cycle



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- Pre-Milestone A – Increase disciplines, fidelity, and MD coupling**
- Reduce LC Cost over run
- Reduce LC Capability Degradation

**Driving High Fidelity Physics Based Design Early in the Process Produces More Capability & Lower Cost Over Life Cycle (“Bend the Cost Curve”)**

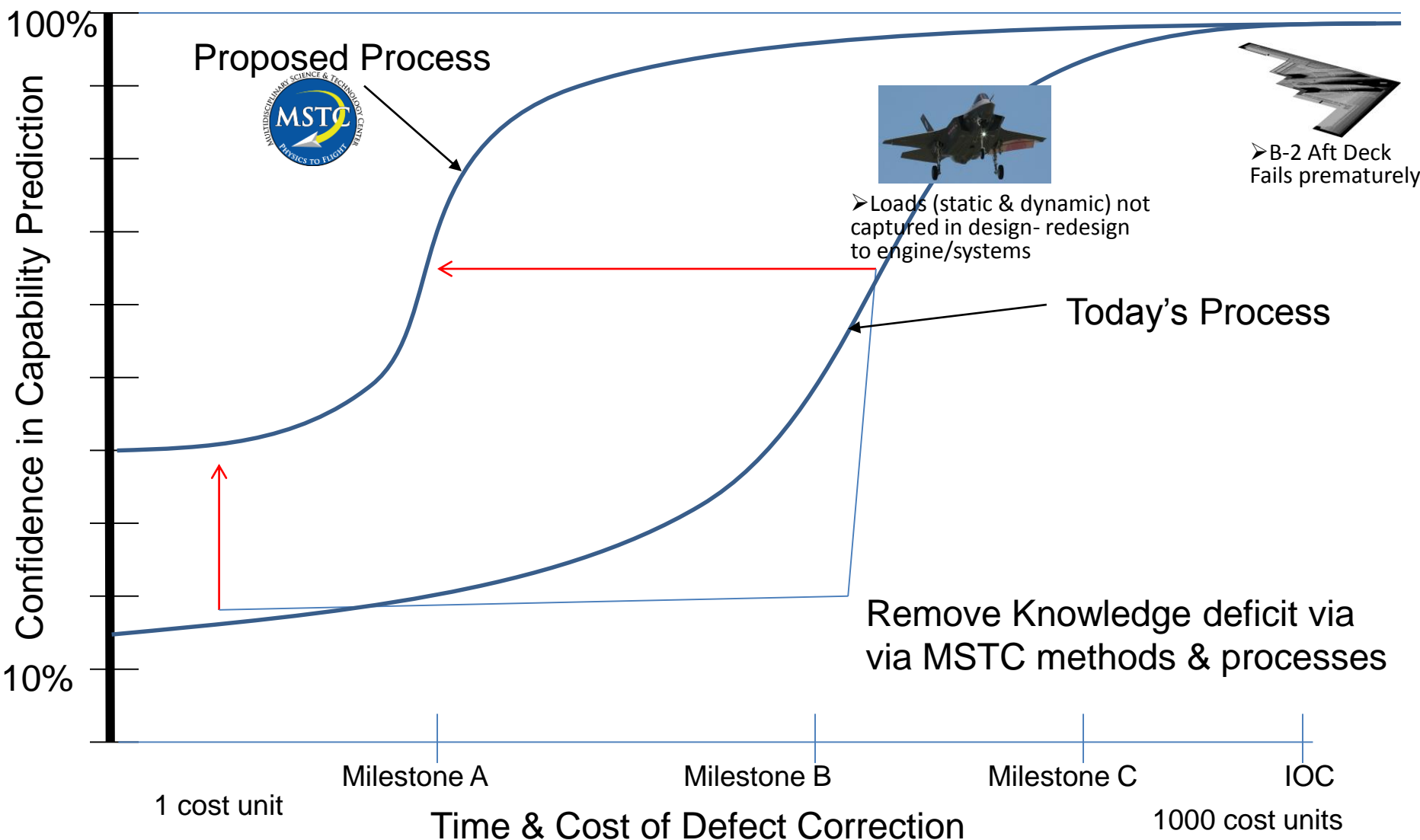
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# Reducing the Knowledge Deficit in Capability Prediction



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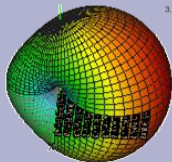
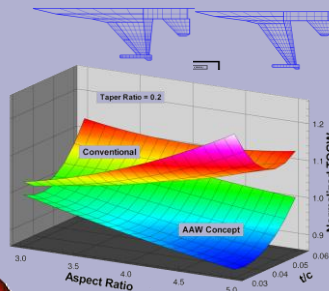
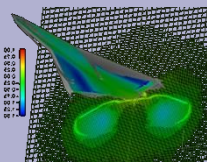
# Develop & Trace Technology to Mission Level Capability Impact Based on Physics



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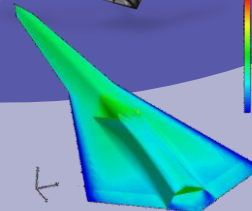
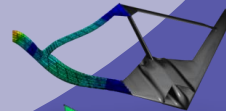
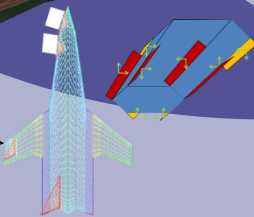
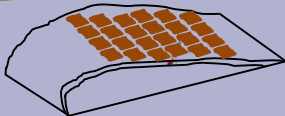
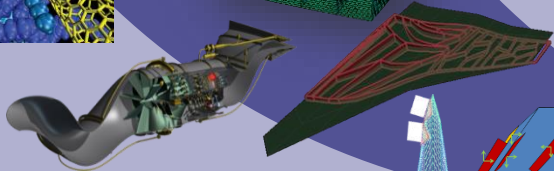
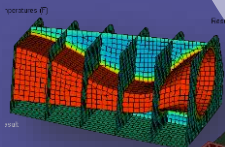
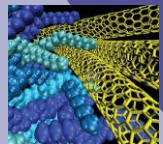
## Technology

- Aeroelastic Wing
- Flutter Suppression
- Third Stream Engine
- Advanced Materials
- Thrust Vectoring
- Innovative Control Effectors
- Directed Energy
- Conformal Load Bearing Antennas



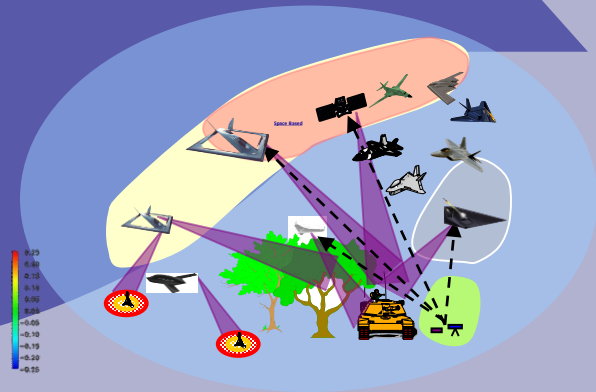
## Engineering Capability Impact

- Weight Reduction
- Drag Reduction
- RCS reduction
- Fuel Efficiency
- Roll Performance
- Radar Efficiency



## Mission Capability Impact

- Combat effectiveness
- Survivability
- Kills/\$
- IDs/\$
- Maintainability
- Life Cycle Cost
- Sustainability



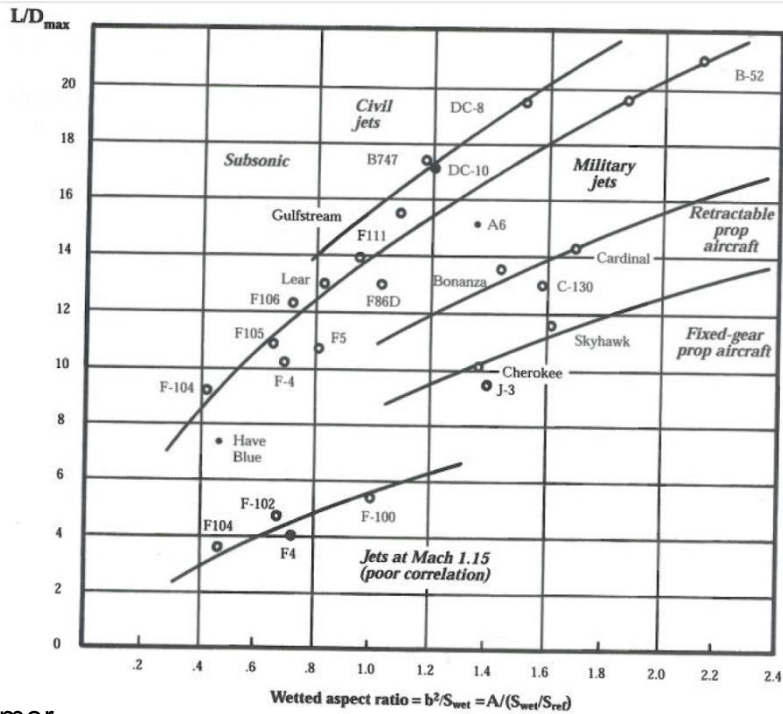
Want to find:  $\frac{\partial \text{Mission\_Capability}}{\partial \text{Technology}}$



# What we mean by “Physics Based”

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## Regressions of historical Data

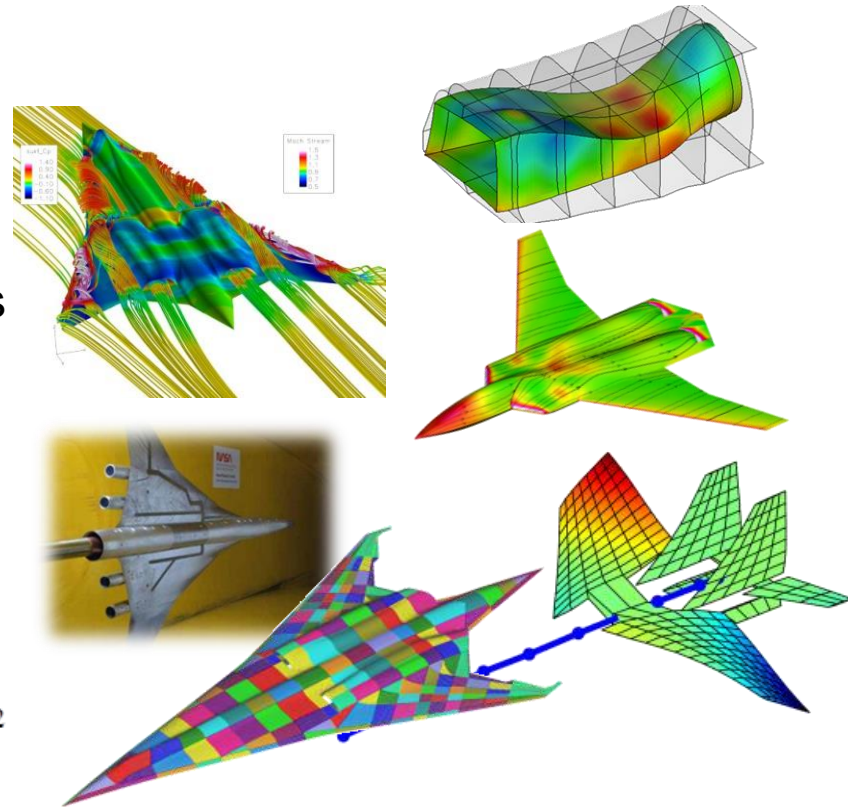


Raymer

$$W_{wing} = (k_{tech\_factor}) * 0.0103 K_{dw} K_{vs} (W_{dg} N_z)^{0.5} S_w^{0.622} * A^{0.785} (t/c)_{root}^{-0.04} (1 + \lambda)^{0.05} (\cos \lambda)^{-1} S_{CSW}^{0.04}$$

## Computational or testing on actual configuration

Versus



**Historical data insufficient for designing new/innovative configurations and assessing new technologies**



# MSTC Products



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- **Discover, Develop, Demonstrate and Deliver :**
  - ✦ **multidisciplinary technologies**
  - ✦ **and the physics based design processes and methods that allow industry designers to incorporate those technologies into their next generation designs/modifications**



**Develop processes, physics based methods, and designs for the purpose of AF technology discovery, development, demonstration, & delivery**

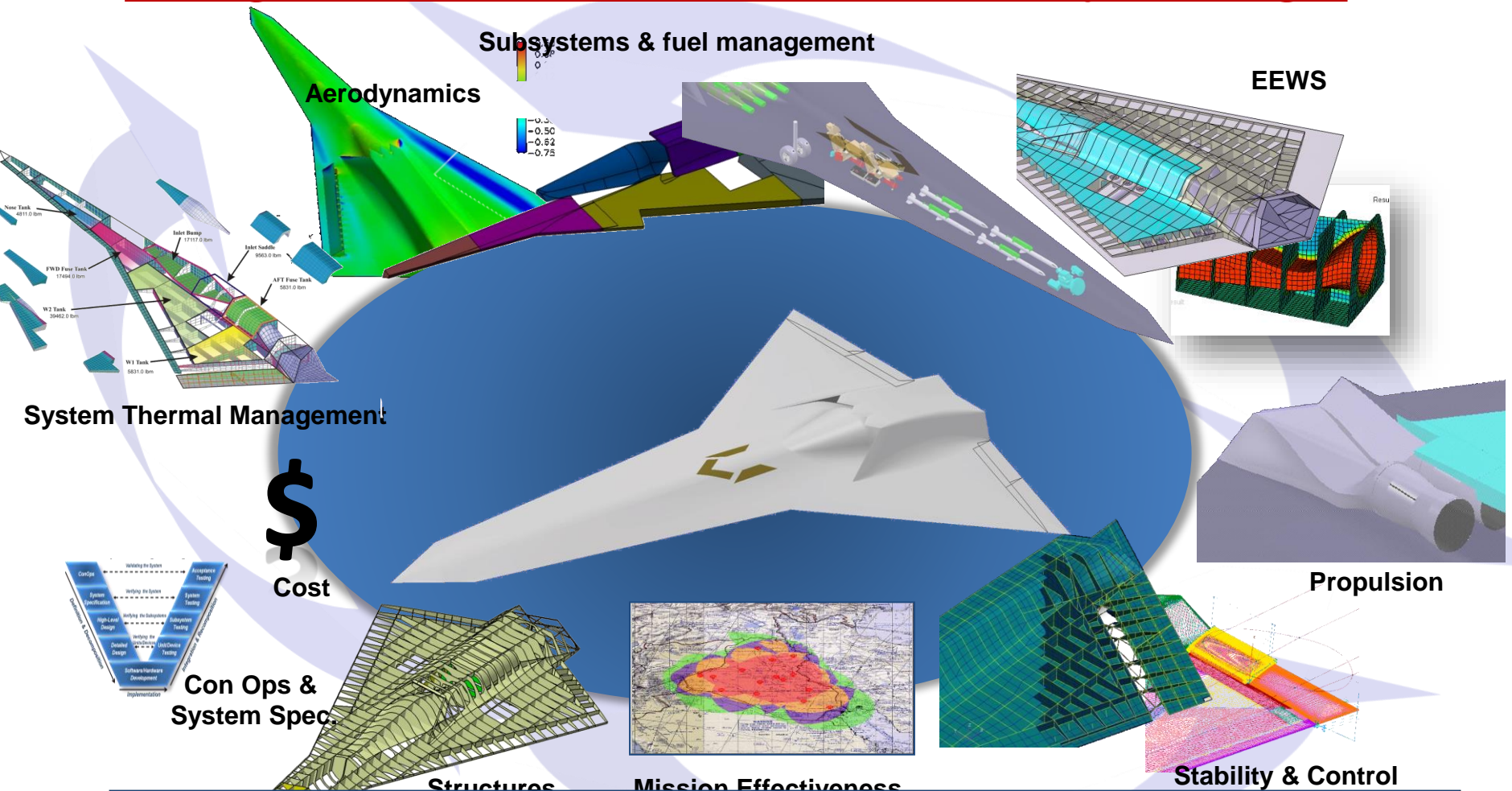


# MSTC Design Process Goals (System Level Multi-Fidelity MADO)



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## Merge Conceptual & Preliminary Design



**Add Disciplines, Couplings, & Fidelity - Early**





# Impact



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## Scientific Impact

Past



Exploiting the **synergism** of mutually interacting phenomena to **produce a capability that cannot be obtained otherwise**

Future



Multi-disciplinary Science is an **enabler** for the development of the next generation air and space vehicles

## Acquisition Impact

Reduce discovery of late defects due to un-modeled physics



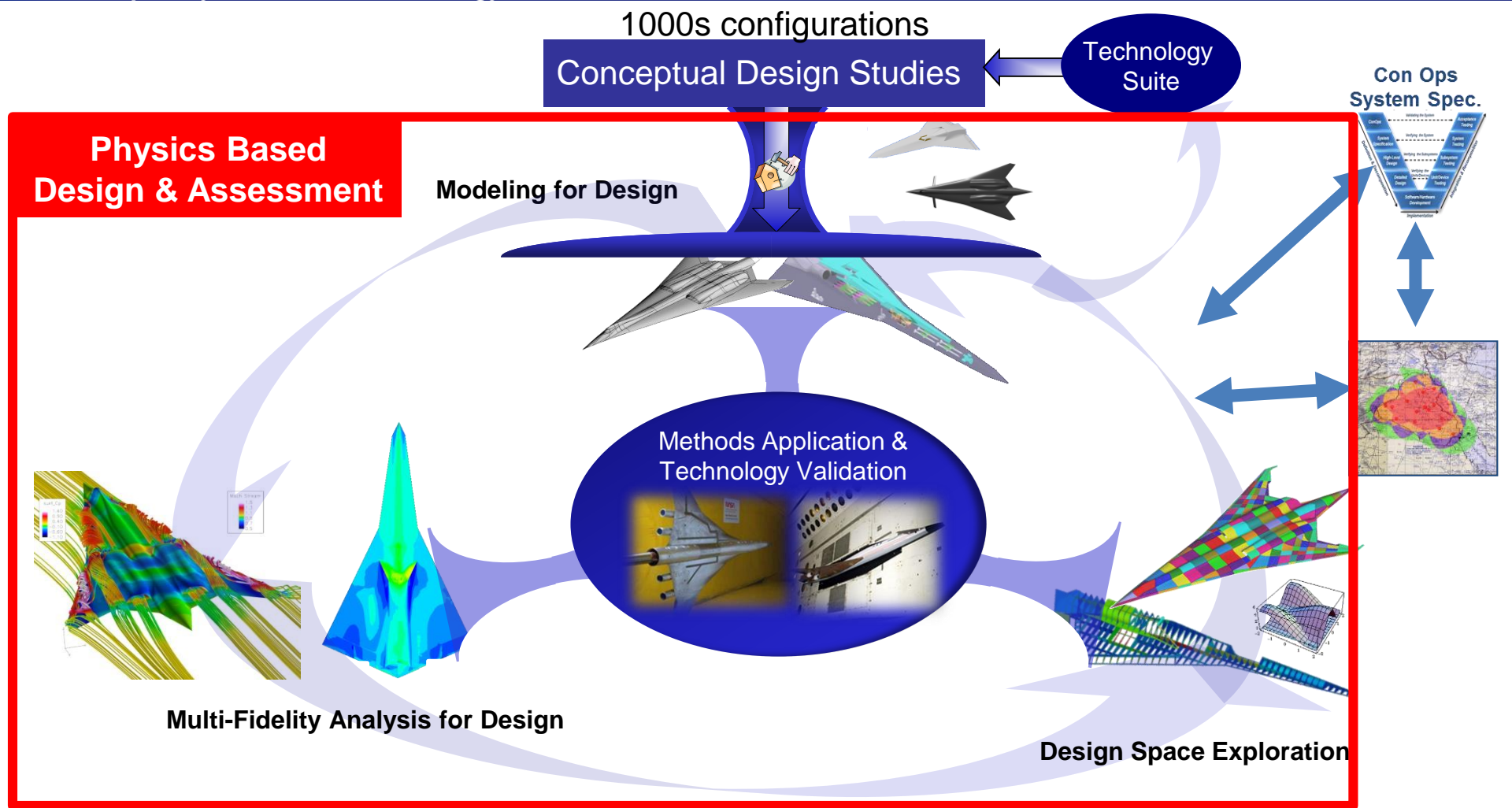
**Failure to account for multi-disciplinary effects** have and continue to **cost billions of dollars to correct** or place operating limits on the systems

(80 out of 120 late defects due to inadequate loads prediction)  
Identification of Critical Flight Loads Contract #F33615-95-D-3214 D.O. 0007

***It is essential to determine early on the pertinent interactions between coupled engineering disciplines***

# How to Capture the Physics Driving the Design Pre-Milestone A

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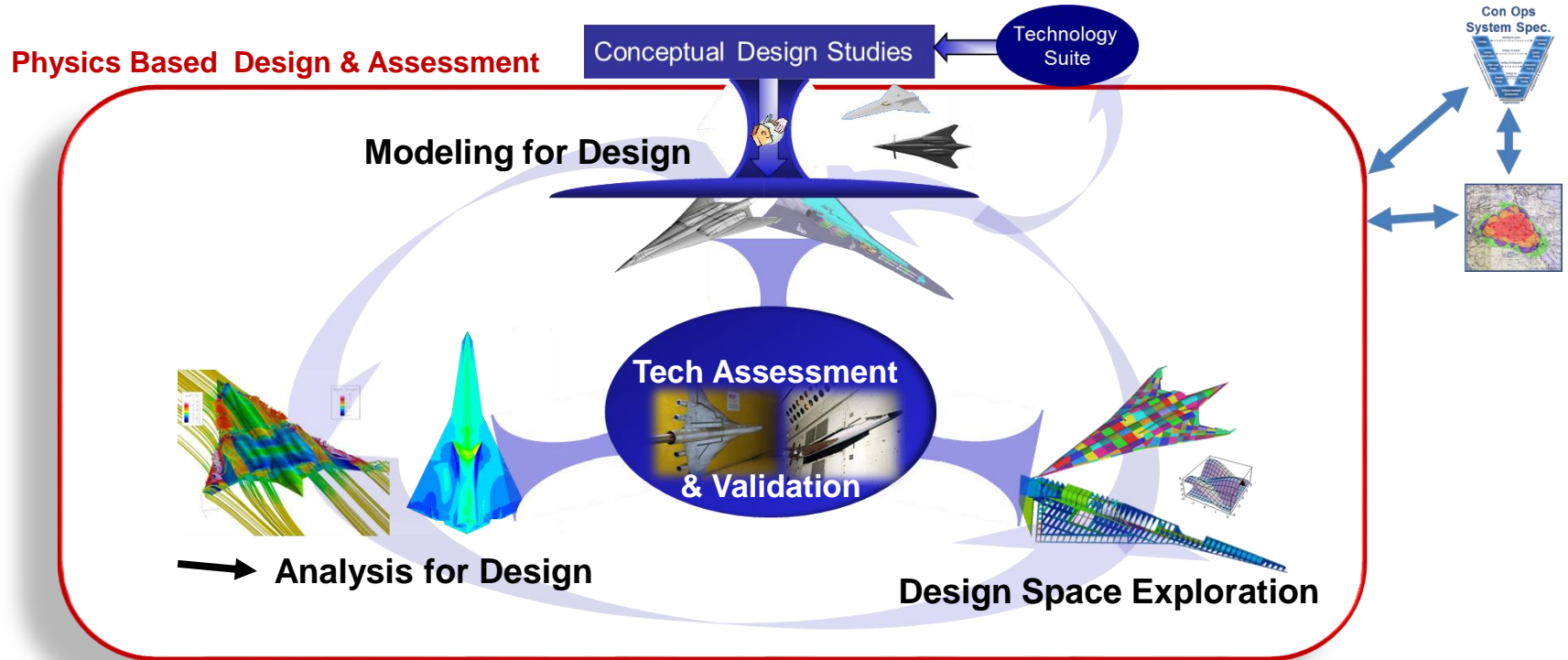
*Get more (and Better) Information ... and get it Earlier*



# MSTC Process & MDAO Methods KPPs



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- KPPs**
- #1-15X Hi-Fidelity Design Configs forward for same cost
  - #2 - Coupling 2X
    - Aero, struct, controls
    - Acoustics, propulsion
    - thermal, subsystems
  - #3- Fidelity Forward – level 0, 1,2,3 etc.. (target is level 3)
  - #4 - Reduce Modeling Uncertainty to within 5% of “truth”
  - #5 - Quantify impact to outputs due to variations to Inputs





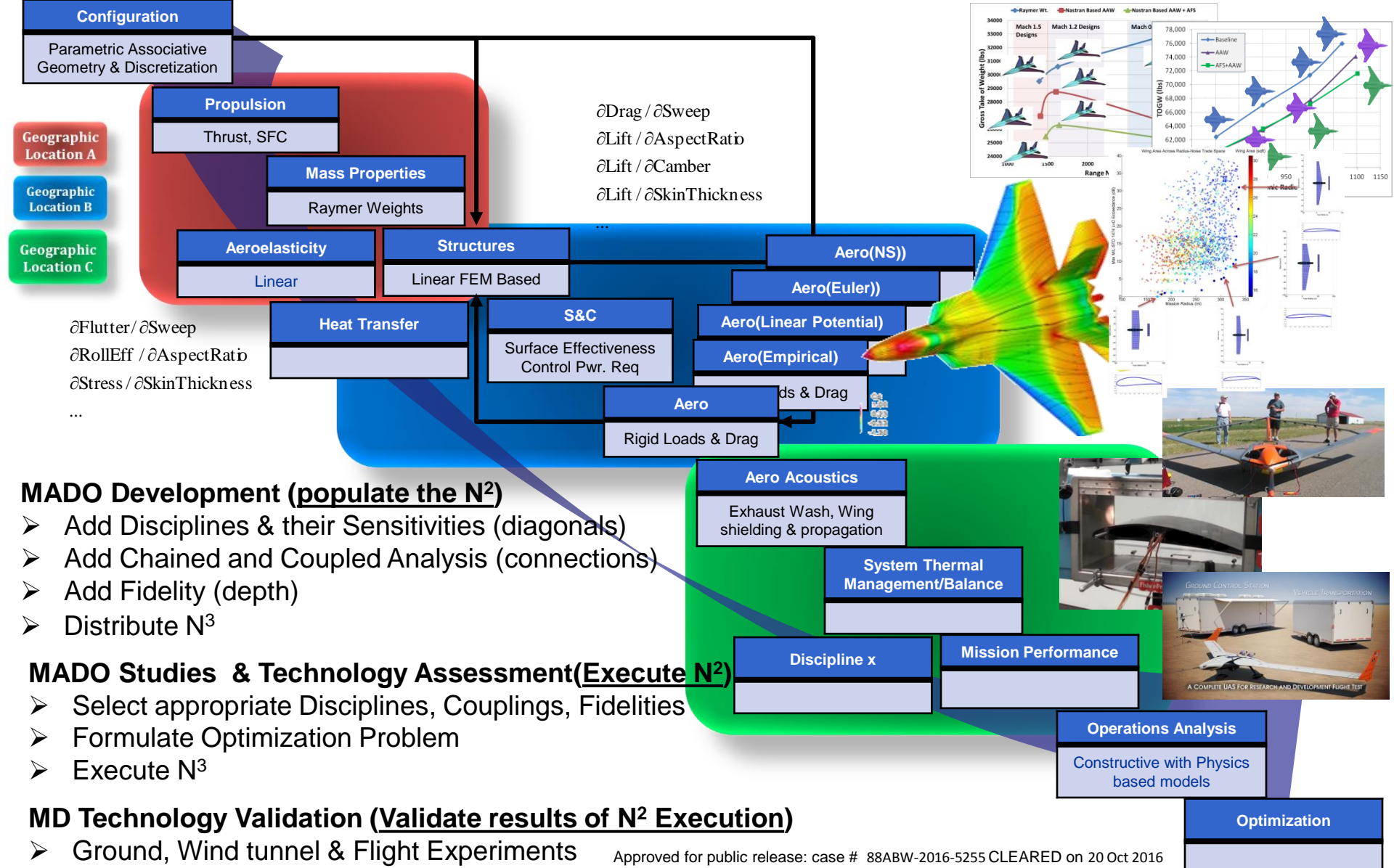
# MADO N<sup>3</sup> Diagram

(aka design structure matrix, dependency structure matrix, spider diagram)

## MSTC Develops, Executes & Validates



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# High Level Requirements for System Level Variable Fidelity MADO



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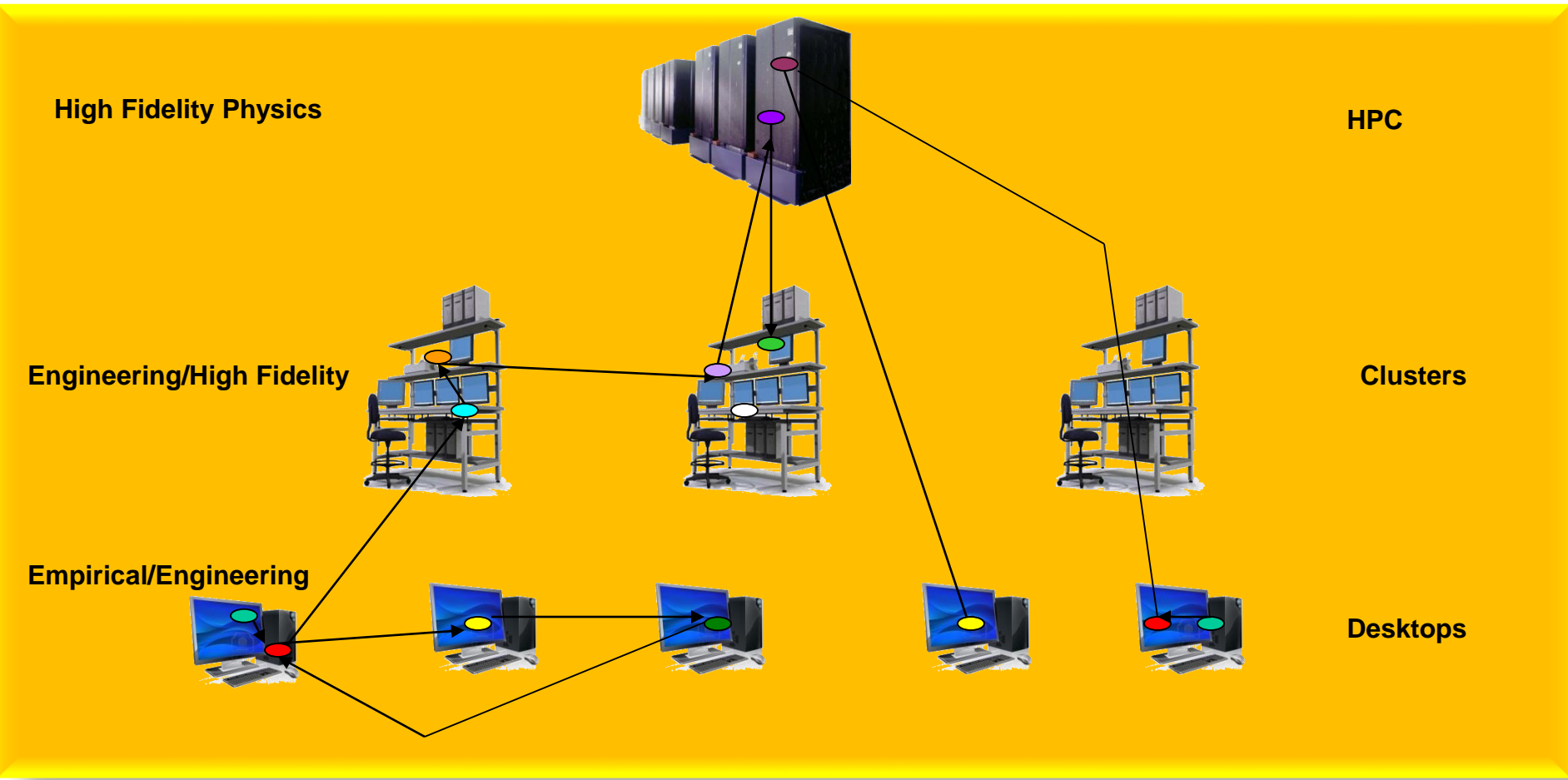
- # of components/applications/Services – 100's to 1000's (no single application, no single machine)
- Run times of services – secs to many days
- Data
  - ✦ kilobytes to terabytes
  - ✦ ascii, binary, databases
- Distributed (across organizational boundaries) heterogeneous computing environment
  - ✦ Hand held devices to HPC resources
  - ✦ Seamless access to data and services
  - ✦ Process representation with secure communications



# Physics Based Distributed Collaborative Design (Compute Resource View)



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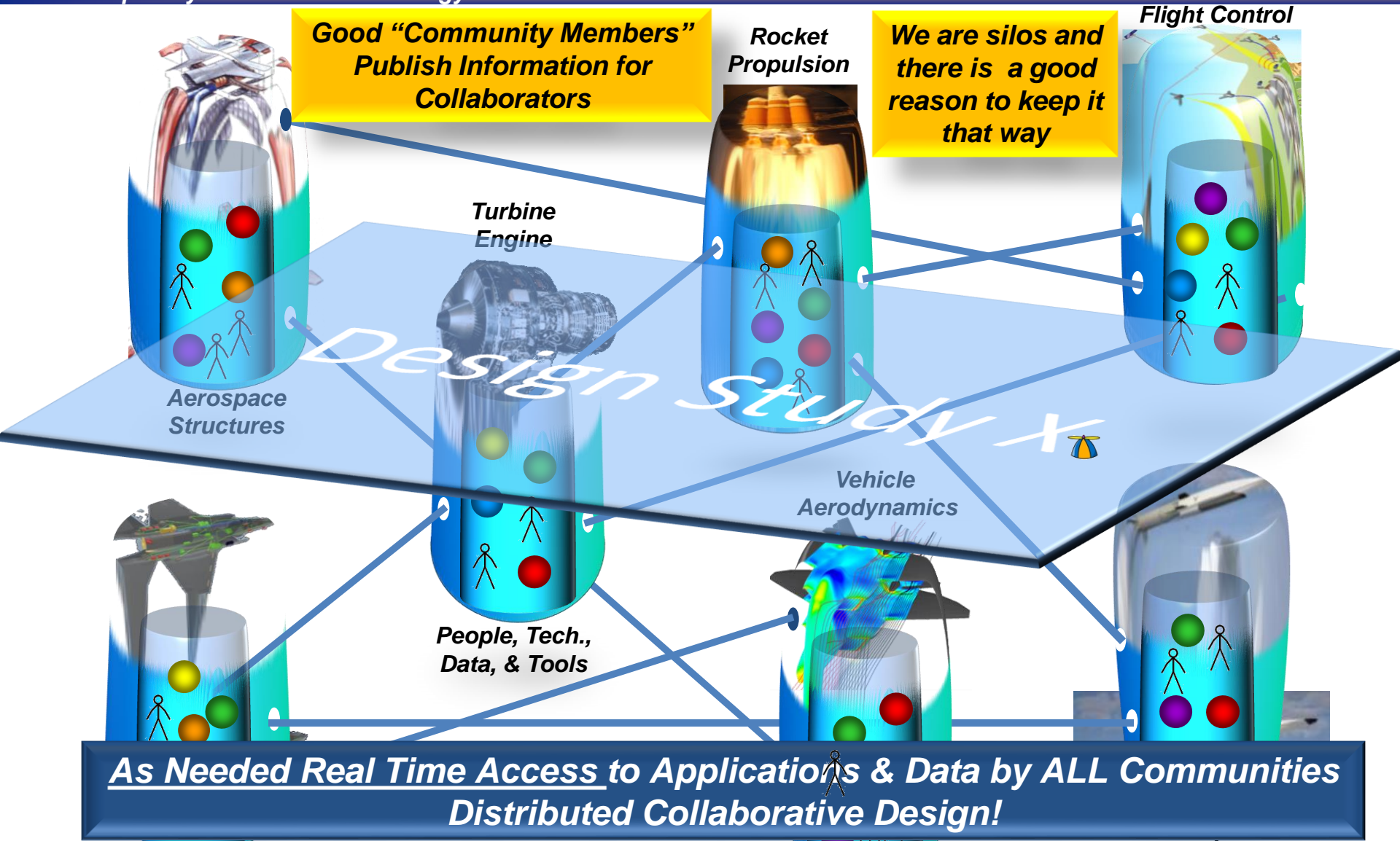
**Seamless Access to All Methods, Models, Data, and Compute Resources Across the Network**



# Physics Based Distributed Collaborative Design (Org View)



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Power

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Propulsion



# MSTC Focus Applications & Products



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**SUAVs**  
*Reich/Szczublewski*

**Efficient Supersonic Air Vehicles**  
*Alyanak/Iden/Allison*

**Mobility**  
*Joo/Szczublewski*

**GHO**

Probability of Aural Detection

**LCAAT**

SPL (dB)

**X-56A**

**ESAV**

Research results for Mobility applications.

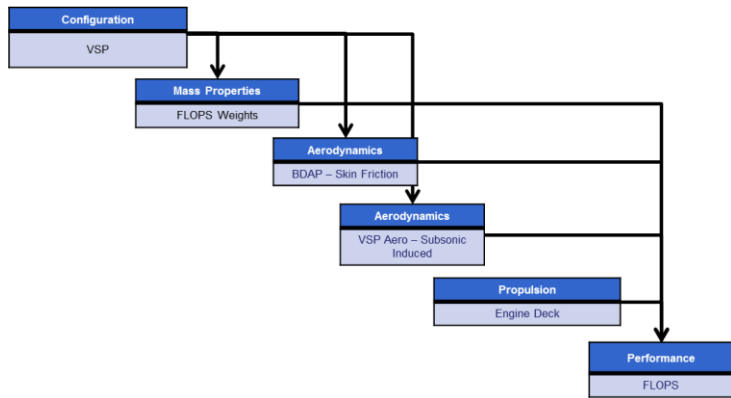


# CSD Without Distributed Collaborative Design (RQVA)



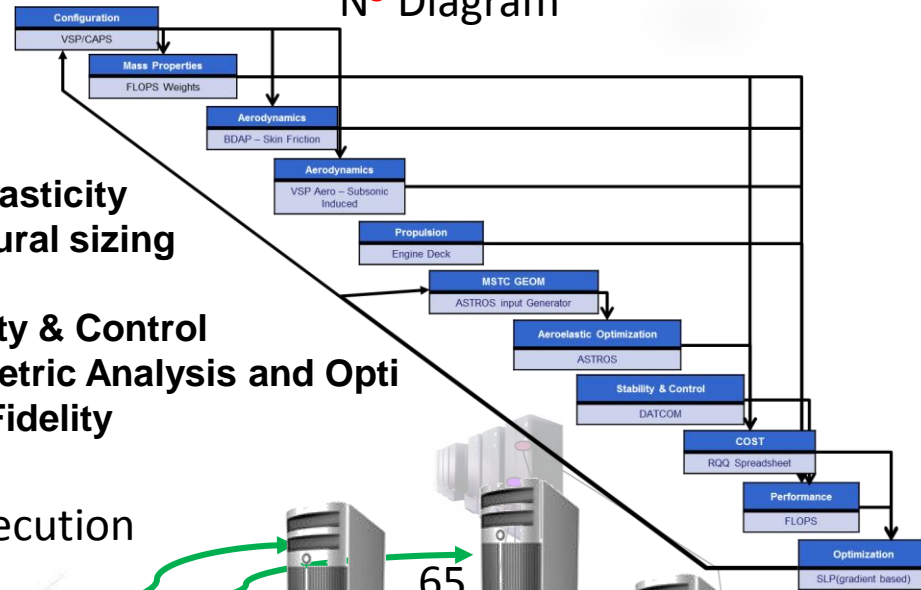
RQVA

N<sup>2</sup> Diagram



# CSD With Collaborative Distributed Design (RQVA, RQVC, RQQ, RQT)

N<sup>3</sup> Diagram



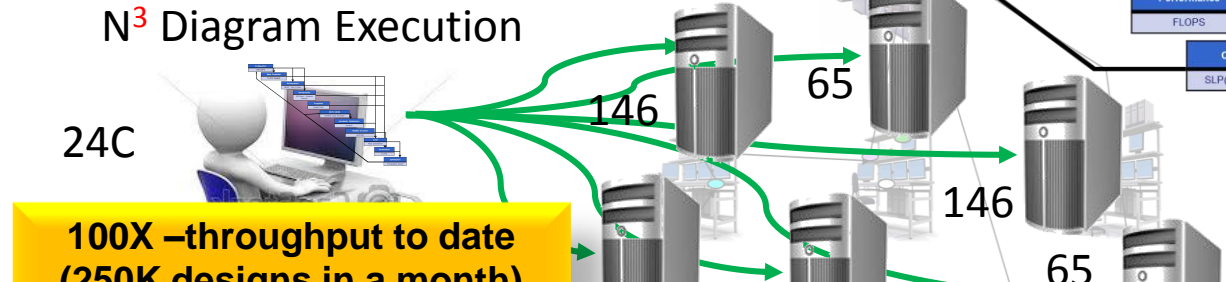
- Aeroelasticity
- Structural sizing
- Cost
- Stability & Control
- Parametric Analysis and Opti
- Multi-Fidelity

N<sup>2</sup> Diagram Execution



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N<sup>3</sup> Diagram Execution



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**100X –throughput to date (250K designs in a month)**

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**Significant Cultural Change - Gives More Information, Faster – Better Decisions**

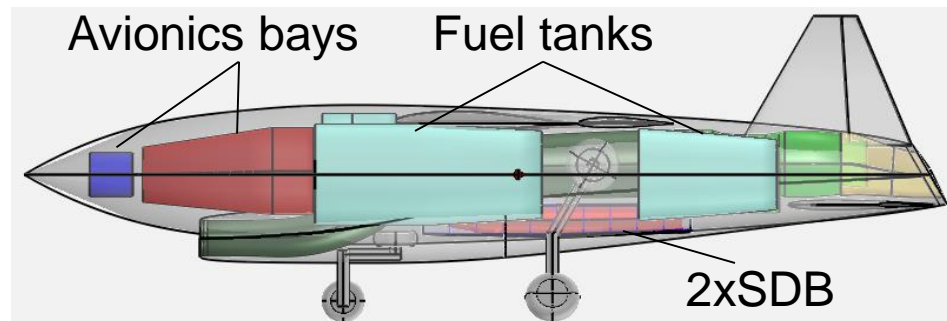
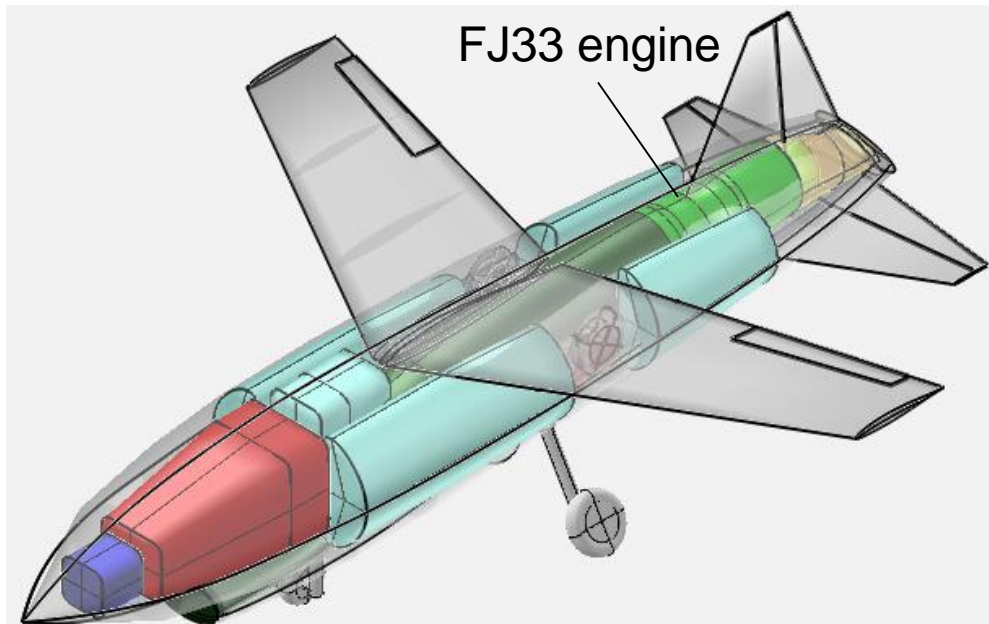


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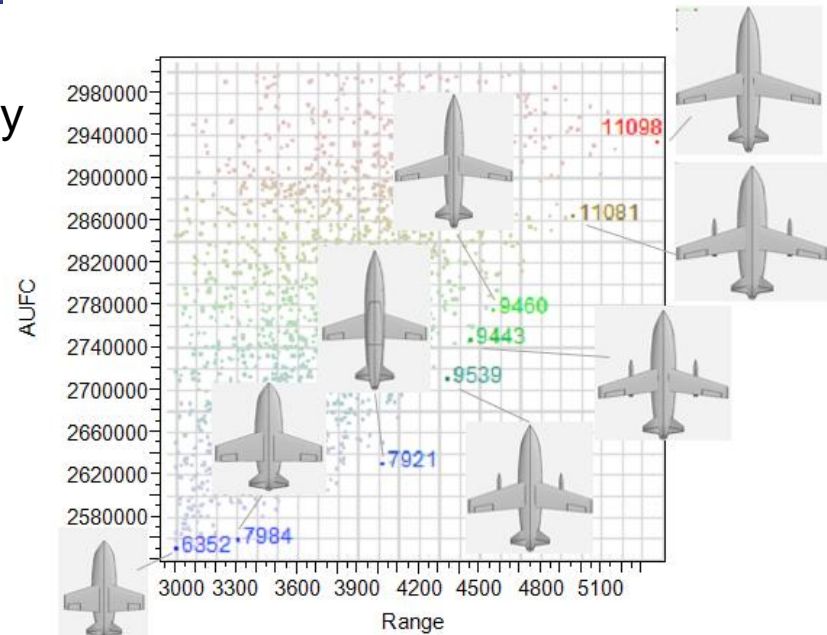


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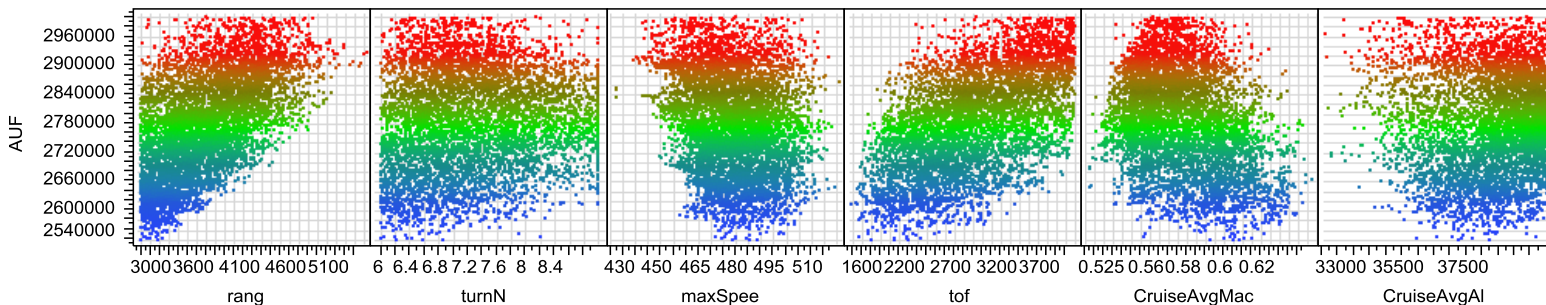
Cost (AUFC)	\$2.65M
Length	21'
Span	15'
Sweep	30 deg
Gross Weight	3335 lb
Empty Weight	1301 lb
Payload	500 lb
Fuel Weight	1534 lb
Range	3220 NM
Cruise Speed	M0.62
Max Speed	M0.86
Turn Loading	6 G



- Cost trades against range performance, but decreases with improved up-and-away performance
  - ✦ Discrete engine means smaller size / lower cost = better up-and-away performance
- 5794/24000 configurations satisfy all constraints (for this DoE)
  - ✦ Range > 3000 NM
  - ✦ Turn Nz > 6
  - ✦ Climb Rate > 5000 fpm
  - ✦ Max Speed > 425 knots
  - ✦ TOFL < 4000 ft
- Cost vs range shows a front of best range designs for a given cost



MOP	Baseline	Design 11098	% Difference
Range	3220 NM	5374 NM	67%
Turn Nz	6 G	6.8 G	13%
AUFC	\$2.65M	\$2.93M	10%

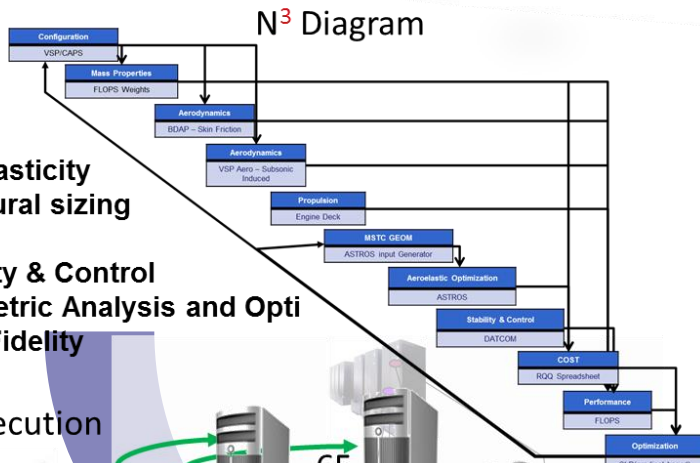




# CSD ERS-ERDC Collaboration



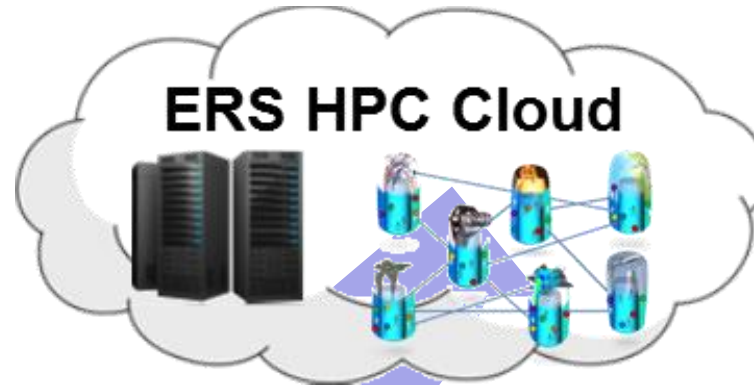
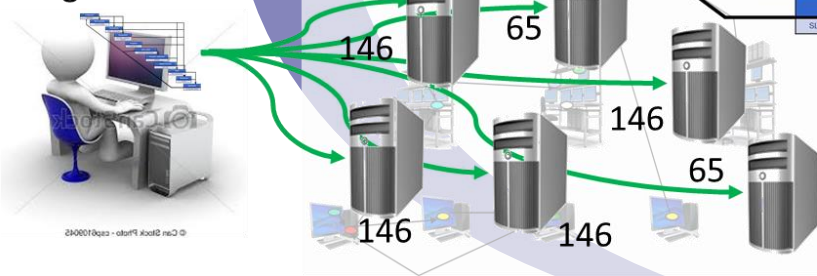
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N<sup>3</sup> Diagram Execution

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**Another 100X –throughput Expected**

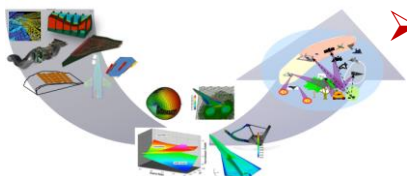
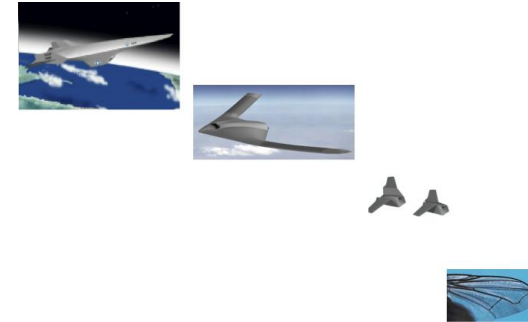


# Concluding Remarks

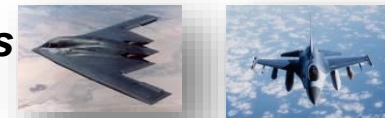


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➤ **Historical data & traditional conceptual design processes are insufficient for designing new/innovative configurations and assessing new technologies**



- **Enables** AFRL technology developers to have a quantifiable, physics based and traceable trail of the impact of their technologies on system effectiveness - lethality, survivability, sustainability, affordability etc...
- **Creates** info. with less uncertainty for making decisions for system capabilities, technology assessment, and technology risk reduction
- **Essential** for reduction of late Defects due to physics



➤ **Expands** the design space yielding capabilities not other wise obtainable