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Engineered Resilient Systems: A Practical Armament Example and Study

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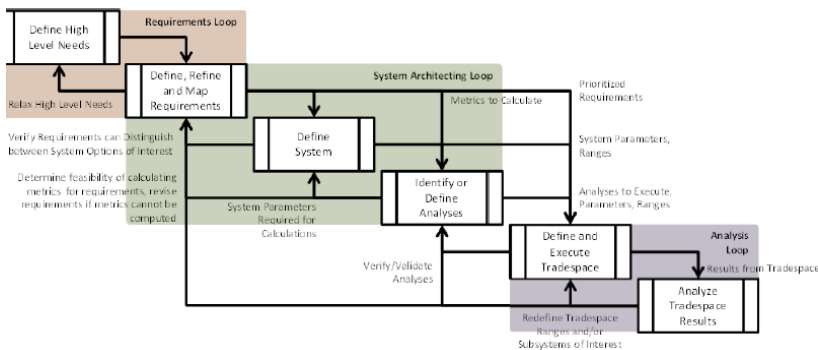
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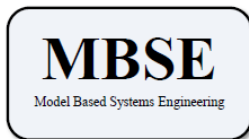


ERS Tradespace Analysis



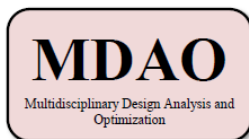
- **Define**

Users describe the needs, the analyses to assess whether or not the needs are met, and the system(s) being designed to satisfy those needs



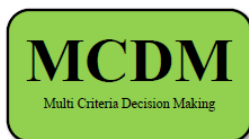
- **Execute**

Users set conditions for and manage/monitor the execution of the integrated engineering models



- **Analyze**

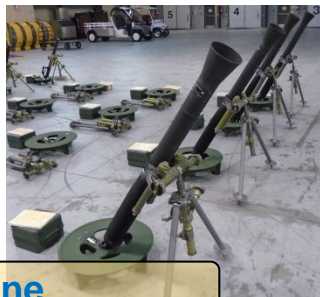
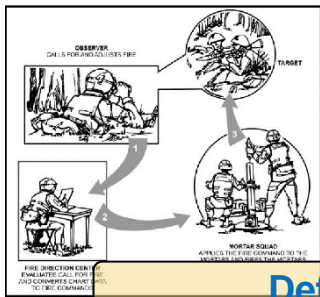
Users assess the information generated by the execution of the models to improve their mental models of the problem and the system of interest



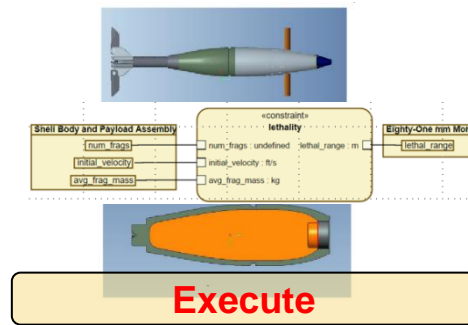
- Discover what building engineered resiliency means to Armaments
- Learn how to utilize ERS Tradespace Tools to support Army RDT&E projects
- Investigate Integrated Model Based Engineering best practices (MBE & MBSE)
- Advance Multi-Objective Decision Analysis methodology and tool



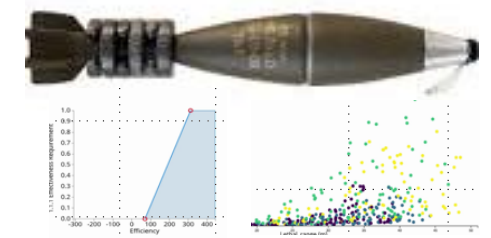
- Goal** To utilize ERS Tradespace software tools to implement ARDEC SE best practices utilizing an Integrated Model Based Engineering approach on RDT&E projects
- What** Proof of Concept to exercise Engineered Resiliency in Munitions Systems Design
- Scope:** Leverage Mortar Domain System Model example and executable physics based models to generate multi-objective Tradespace analysis for optimized system performance (lethality, effectiveness, cost)



Define



Execute



Analyze



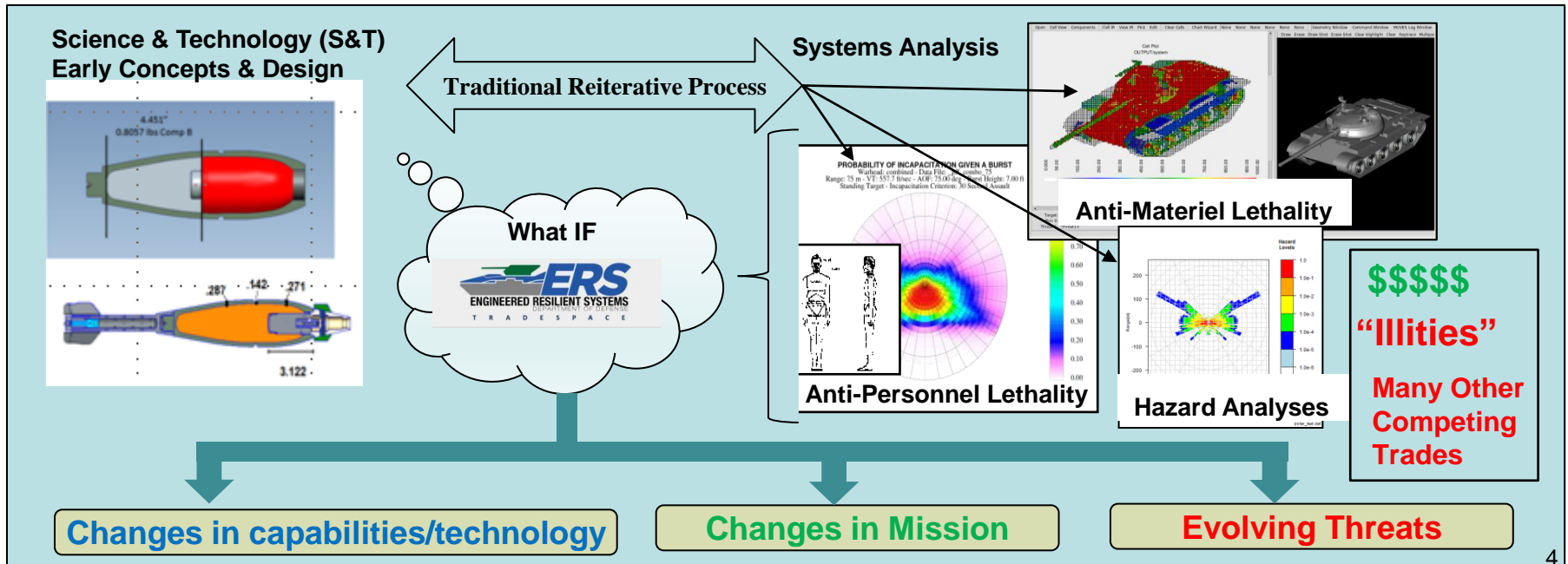
Building Resiliency into Munitions System Design



Can the use of ERS methods, processes, and tools improve the Systems Engineering design process?

- Better understand the exchange and integration of the Systems Model Concept
- Capture rationale from Concept Feasibility Studies
- Capture and link engineering analysis to support Requirements Analysis and Architecture Design Phases
- Improve the identification and prioritization of SE Trade Analysis

Tradespace analysis for an optimized and resilient munition

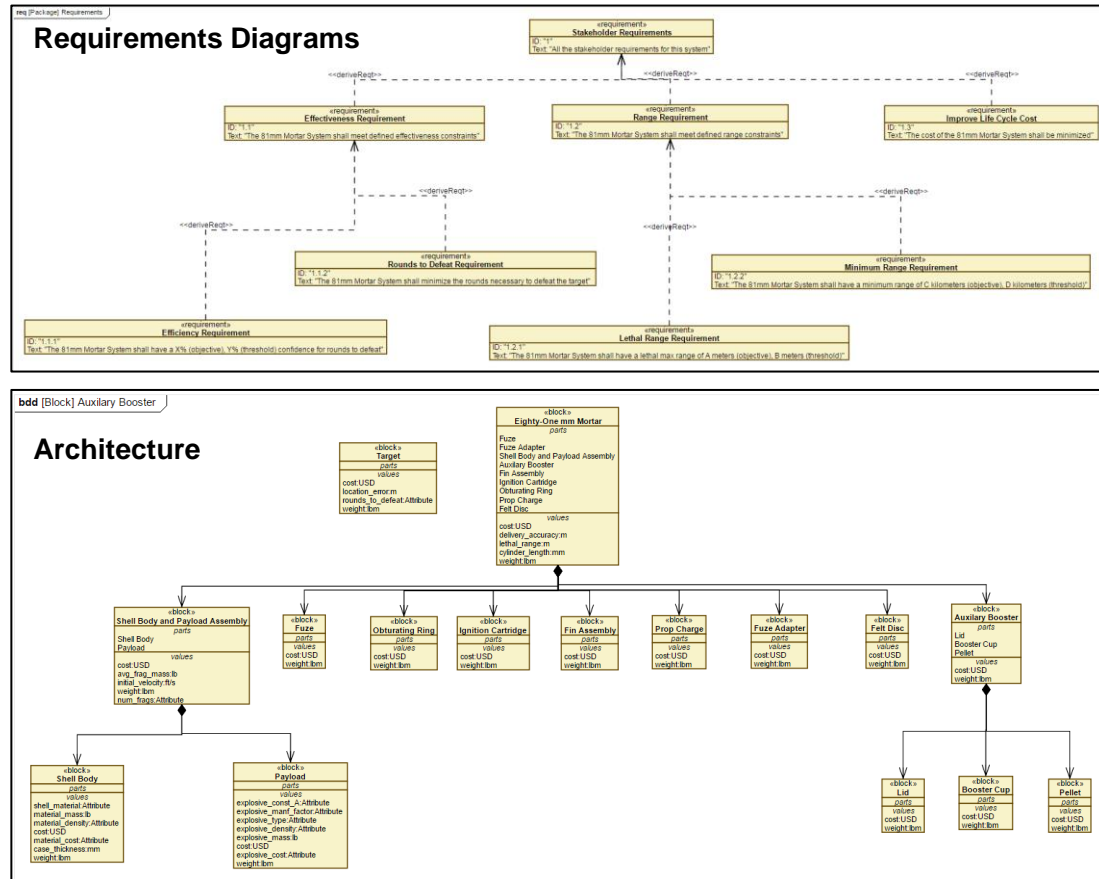




Science & Technology (S&T) Early Concepts & Design



- Component
- Fuze
- Booster
- Body
- Payload (Explosive Fill)
- Obturator
- Ign. Ctg.
- Inc. Cont.
- Prop Chg.
- Fin



Trade Define: Model Based Systems Engineering (MBSE) approach to conduct:

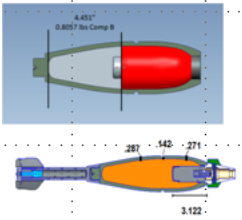
- Stakeholder Requirements Definition: Operational Requirements, CONOPS, MoEs/MoPs
- Requirements Analysis: Traceability, Visual Relationships
- Architecture Design: Analysis to enable Tradespace Exploration, Conduct Systems Engineering Trade analysis, and Enable Multi-Objective Decision Analysis (MODA)



Trade Execute: Multidisciplinary Design Analysis and Optimization (MDAO) "The Process"



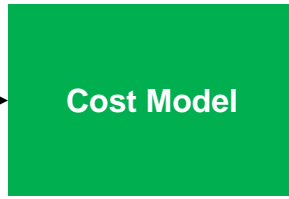
Early Concepts & Design



- Shell Material
- Explosive Type
- Cylinder Length (mm)
- Cylinder Thickness (mm)



Material Attributes
Explosive Attributes



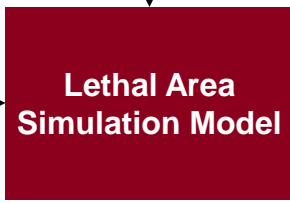
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Unit Production Cost (USD)

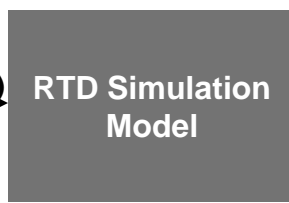
Average Fragment Mass (grains)
Fragment Initial Velocity (ft/s)
Number of Fragments



- Delivery Accuracy
- Location Error



Lethal Range Threshold (m)



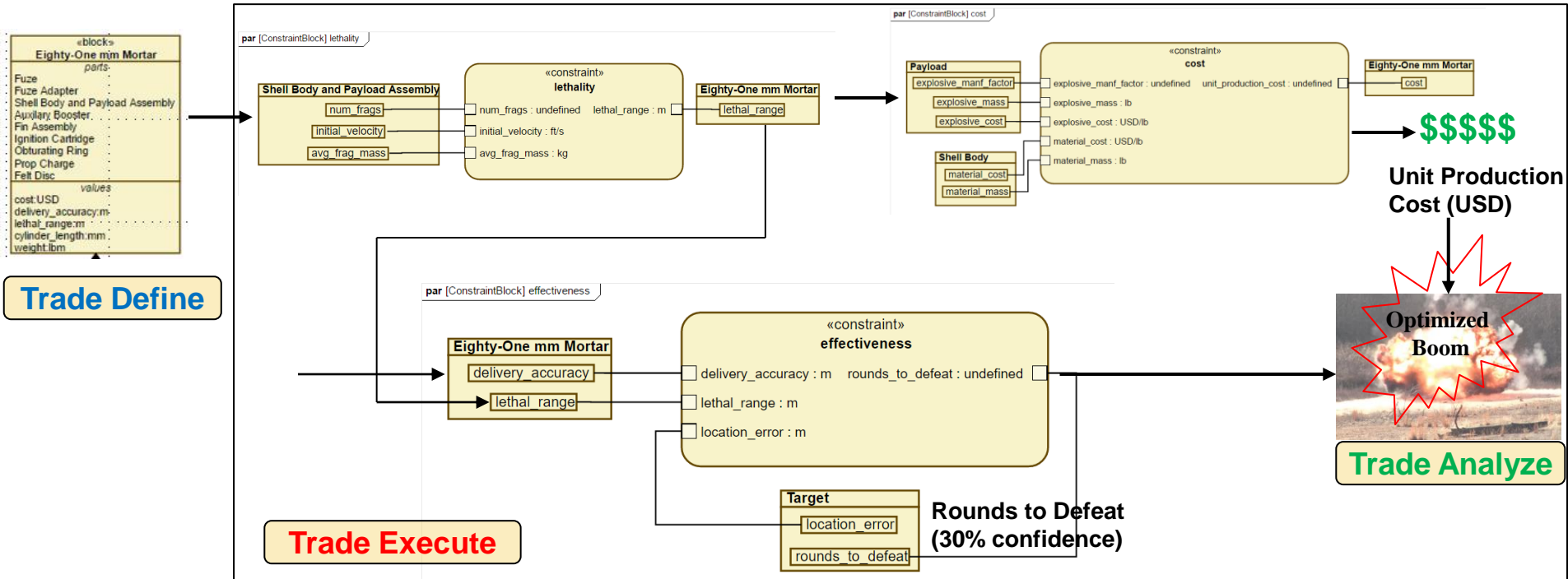
Rounds to Defeat (30% confidence)

Key
 Continuous Input
 Discrete Input

- Modeling the Multidisciplinary Analysis Workflow
- Integrated multi-domain analysis into ERS execution



Trade Execute: MDAO Implementing "The Process" in ERS

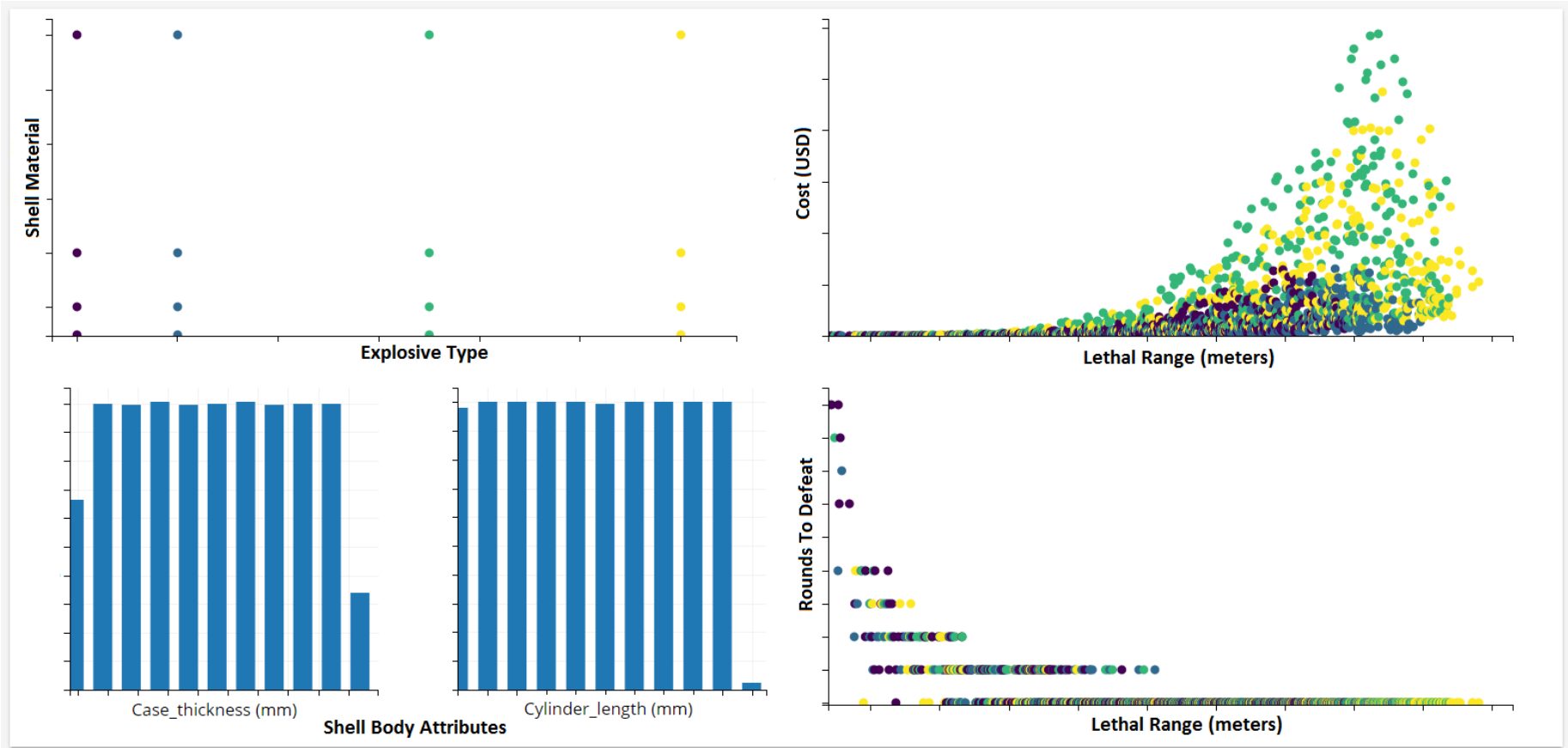


Trade Execute: Model Based Systems Engineering (MBSE) approach to:

- Establish a Dynamic Model Execution Framework for your specific Problem Space/System of Interest (executable model)
- Comprehensive models/visualization of the multi-disciplinary system analysis process and workflow to analyze system level performance
- System Requirements, Architectures, Physical Design Space are all traced to enable System Analysis activities and SE Trades

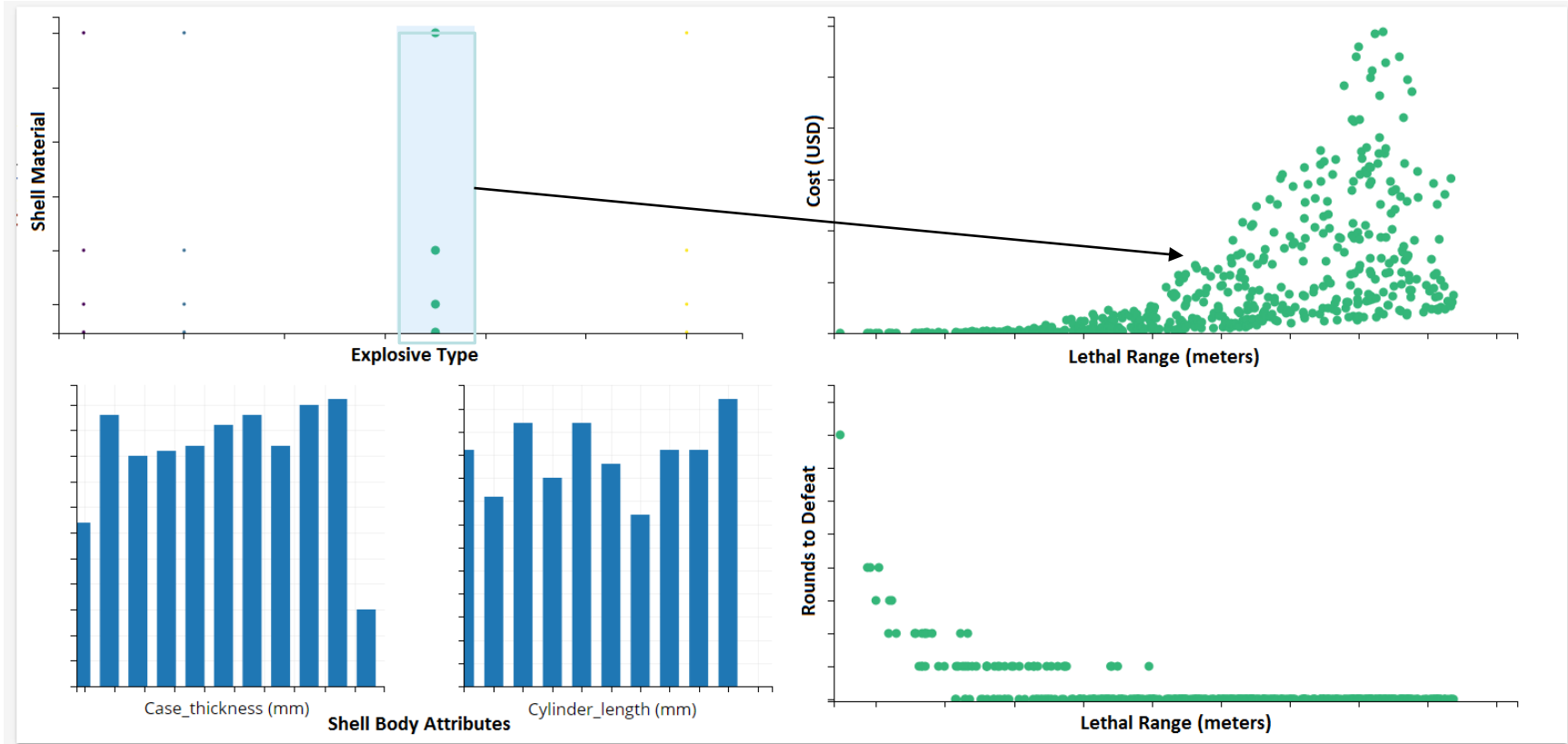


Trade Analyze: Tradespace Analysis



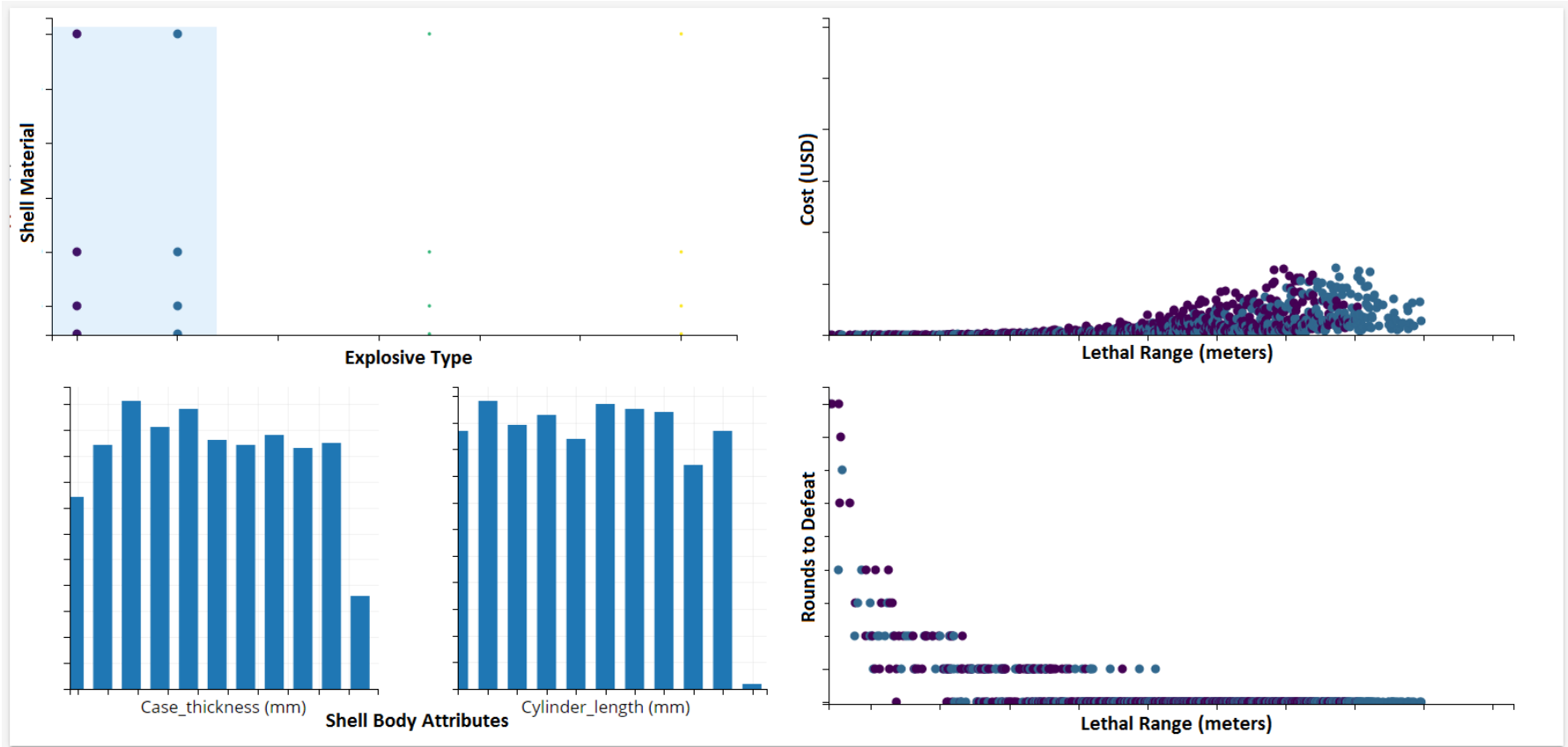
Trade Analyze: Across Multi-Criteria (system level requirement)

- Provides a powerful visualization workspace to quickly view analysis results across large tradespace
- Toolset includes histograms, scatterplots, boxplots, sensitivity analysis, etc.



Trade Analyze: Focus on single criteria (individual requirement)

- Visualizations provide dynamic filtration tools
- Easily able to assess system relationships and behaviors

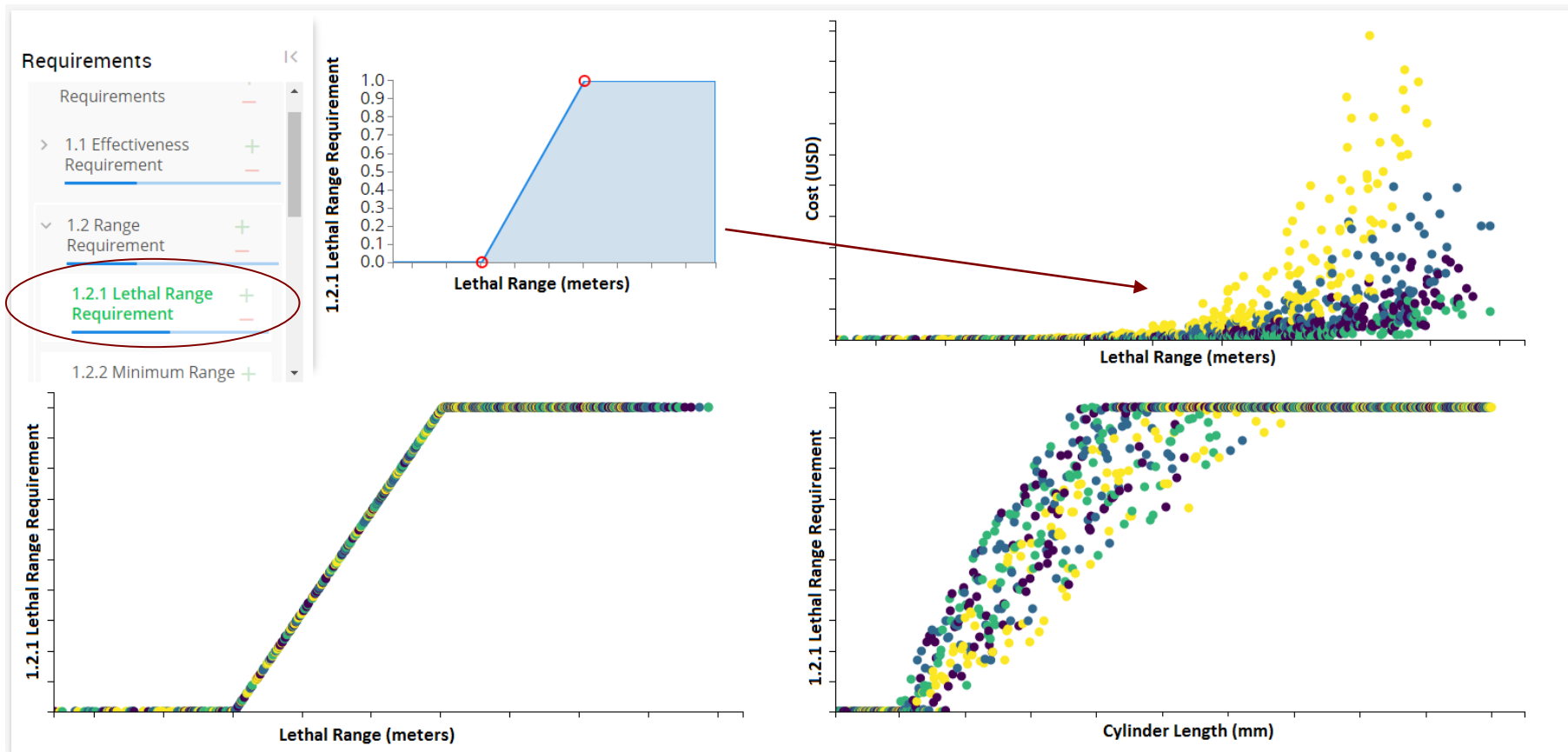


Trade Analyze: Multi-Criteria Decision Making (MCDM)

- Ability to generate probabilistic solutions versus point solutions
- Tools are feature rich and capable of superimposing constraints for ease of use
- High volume data sets on the order of 10^3 can be reduced to ~25



Trade Analyze: Tradespace Analysis

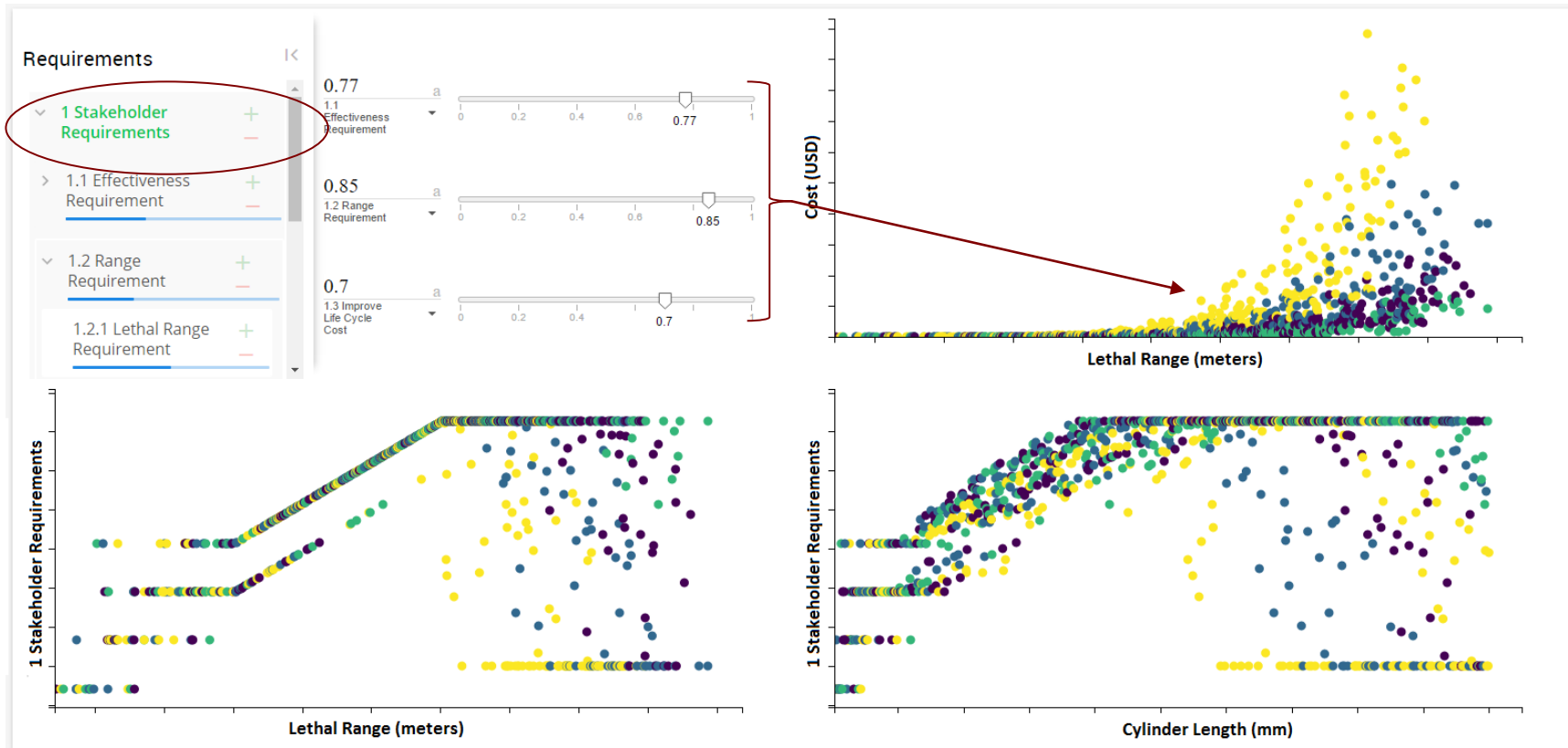


Trade Analyze: Individual Requirement

- Enables the ability to compare configurations against specific requirements
- Requirements can be adjusted and effects of changes are seen on dynamic plots



Trade Analyze: Tradespace Analysis



Trade Analyze: Set of Requirements (System Level)

- Full customization of weighted requirements is accessible
- Provides a view comparing various configurations ability to satisfy requirements



Was the Boom Worth It?



- Modular Analysis & Tools to create reusable set of System Models
- Ability to integrate multi-disciplinary design analysis tools
- Powerful set of large Tradespace Analysis Tools
- Improves efficiency and reduce time to engineer concepts/designs to meet emerging requirements



“Systems engineering (SE) establishes the technical framework for delivering materiel capabilities to the warfighter.... SE also enables the development of engineered resilient systems that are trusted, assured, and easily modified (agile).” DAG Chapter 4



What's Next



- Continue to partner with ERS Community & ERDC to continue research, development, and project pilots of ERS Tradespace Tools at ARDEC
- Implement Decision Management Process¹, algorithms, and visualization into ERS Multi-Objective Decision Analysis (MODA) tool set
- Project Pilots/Use Cases to demonstrate utility and gain lessons learned to prepare for “culture shock” (introducing new methods, tools, and integration)
 - Integrated Model Based Engineering (MBSE & MBE)
 - Preparing to break down stove pipes
 - Anticipate the learning curve and training
 - Tradespace Tools to ARDEC SE Workforce, “another tool in the SE Tool Kit”
- Explore the state of the art and untapped potential of ERS
 - Ability to generate a large Tradespace and powerful Execution and Visualization
 - Ability to integrate multi-disciplinary analysis and visually assess across multi-domains on the same playing field
 - Collaborative Web Based Tools

¹ Cilli, M., *Improving Defense Acquisition Outcomes Using an Integrated Systems Engineering Decision Management (ISED) Approach*. Ph.D. Dissertation. Stevens Institute of Technology, Hoboken, NJ, 2015



Lessons Learned and Parting Thoughts



- ERS offers integration between traditional SE and ORSA Domains
 - Ability to effectively re-use MBSE Artifacts for Systems Analysis, Tradespace Analysis, & Decision Analysis.
 - Powerful set of tools to conduct dynamic analysis
 - Re-useable set of models for alternatives/variant analysis
- Ability to conduct large Tradespace exploration
 - Ability to develop probabilistic solutions versus point solutions
 - Encourages the use and need for additional and rigorous SE Trade Analysis
 - Supports informed decision making (give them the tool and they will come)
- Supports the Systems Model Concept
 - Full Traceability between requirements, architectures, and models
 - Enables IPT working in collaborative web integrated development environment