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Revolutionary Trends in Military Training

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Foundational Principles of Next-Generation Training

- Competency based, not time based -- Progress with student understanding
- On-Demand, On-Command Availability -- Learning available any time and place
- Self-directed learning should be encouraged -- Learners learn best when they are in charge of their own journey
- Self-directed learners should rise to the top -- Our systems should identify and reward “aggressive learners”



Source: Roberson & Stafford, “Redesigned Air Force Continuum of Learning,” AU Press, 2017

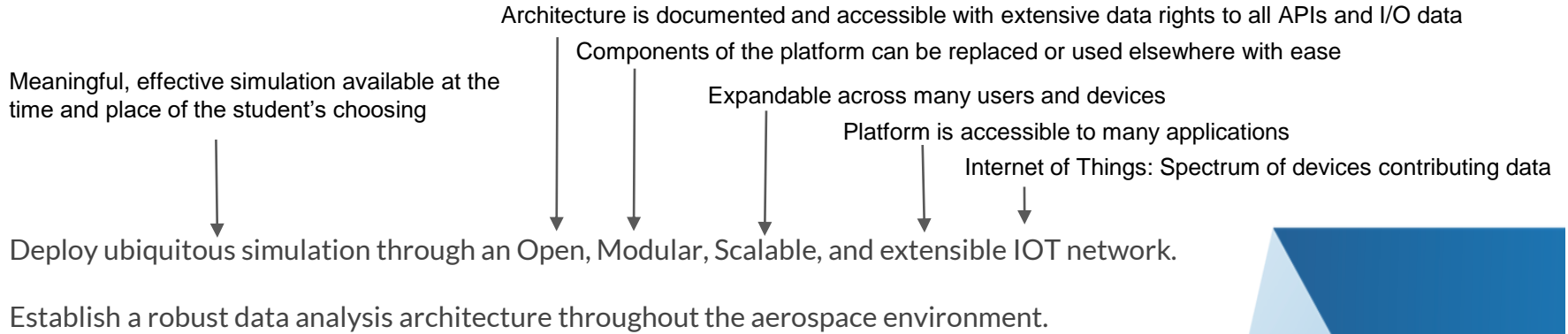


3 Meta Trends Revolutionizing Training

- XR Technologies and Commercial Gaming Engines:
 - Collapse the cost of meaningful simulation
- Scalable Computing (cloud):
 - Data easily shared and accessible
 - Computational limitations largely a thing of the past
- Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence:
 - Surface key insights
 - Reduce instructor burden
 - Analyze student, instructor and systemic performance



Goal



Problem Overview

Challenge:

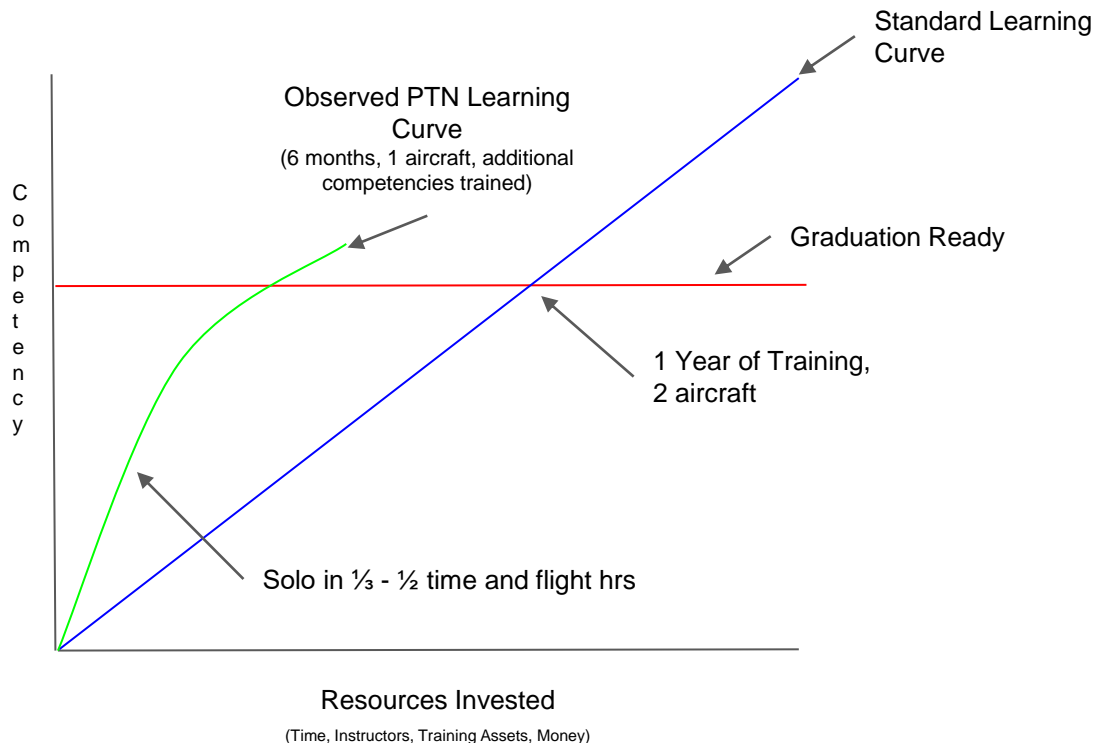
- USAF pilot production is 80% of requirement and unscalable
- Chronic retention issues have eroded experience of the force
- Pilot training remains set on industrial, time-based model (hrs flown=quality)

Opportunity:

- Leverage proven adult learning techniques
- Modernize training tools

Future Growth:

- Open, extensible system
- Detailed tracking of student, instructor performance
- Data architecture to advance learning science



Joint Immersive Training System

An Immersive Environment for Military Aviation Training

Program Objectives

- Scalable, production-ready solution for UPT 2.5
- Establish common architecture for future efforts

Industry Partners:

- **Vertex Solutions** -- Hardware, software, logistics
- **Google** -- Scalable computing infrastructure, ATO
- **CAE** -- LMS, competency mapping, adaptive syllabus
- **Discovery Machine** -- Autonomous Flight Instructo







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