

# Integration Risk Assessment

### - Assessing Integration Risk Throughout the Lifecycle -

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# Growing consciousness within the Department of Integration risk and mitigation

#### **FY09**

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#### Background

- Integration is an aggregation of all of the processes and activities that are applied to assure that a weapon system is designed and developed so that all system elements (hardware, software, people, facilities, procedures, etc.) work together in a way that satisfies the intended purpose of the weapon system (meets the technical, functional and performance requirements)
- Systems Engineering is an interdisciplinary approach ... Systems Engineering integrates all the disciplines and specialty groups into a team effort forming a structured development process that proceeds from concept to production to operation. Systems Engineering considers both the business and the technical needs of all customers with the goal of providing a quality product that meets the user needs. (INCOSE)

The successful integration of DoD weapons systems relies upon the application of good systems engineering throughout the acquisition life cycle





45% of Acquisition Programs have Integration Issues

 Integration issues are an underlying cause of many of the shortfalls to DoD acquisition programs...

> Overall Systemic analysis reveals integration issues in ~45% of Program Support Reviews (PSRs)

> > but trend is improving...

This past year, of 43 programs examined in depth, only ~25% exhibited integration issues



# DoD Systems Engineering Shortfalls\*



Contributors

Integration

## Common failures on acquisition programs include:

- Inadequate understanding of requirements
- Lack of systems engineering discipline, authority, and resources
- Lack of technical planning and oversight
- Stovepipe developments with late *integration*
- Lack of subject matter expertise at the integration level
- Availability of systems integration facilities
- Incomplete, obsolete, or inflexible architectures
- Low visibility of software risk
- Technology maturity over estimated

### Major contributors to poor program performance stem from integration issues wajor commonies to poor program performance

#### \* Findings from Program Support Reviews and DoD-directed Studies/Reviews 2004-2010

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# **Systems Engineering Layers**





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# **Systems Engineering Layers**





Systems Engineering provides disciplined and coordinated communication and integration across and within the layers of development

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# **Addressing The Problem FY09-10**





- Original thinking was to address Integration risk similar to the "Readiness Level" concepts of Manufacturing, Reliability, SW, Technology...
- Integration is the connections between the other specialties – Initial result: a series of questions to the assess "readiness" to couple the "layers"



### FY09-10 Integration Risk Program Support Review Questions





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## Integration Risk Criteria Matrix Spiral 1.0





Integration Risk Layers And Threads Are Then Cross Referenced Across The Lifecycle, Establishing Phased Criteria

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## Integration Risk Criteria Matrix Spiral 1.0





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# Awareness and Lessons Learned





#### **Lessons Learned**

- Readiness Level approach aggregates issues losing insight
- Multi-dimensional approach good, but "layer" categories not crisp
- Technology integration (WSARA focus) is not THE driver of integration issues

#### **DoD-wide Awareness**

- Increased focus throughout the Department on Integration risk
- Assessment Criteria serve better as "Good Practice" type guidance adopted by programs (Notable examples)

#### FY09-10 development provided valuable insight for next spiral

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# **FY10 Notable Efforts**



### **Notable Program Efforts**

- Air and Missile Defense Radar (AMDR) Open Architecture with Integration IPR prior to MS-B
- Ground Combat Vehicle (GCV) –Subsystem prototypes integrated on surrogate vehicles
- Ohio Replacement Program (ORP) Mature integration processes & integration facilities
- Cooperative Engagement Capability (CEC) Navy Open Architecture Computing Environment (OACE) compliant
- JLENS Dedicated System Integration Cross Product Team (CPT) working integration
- AIAMD –Working Group coordinating Interface Control Documents across team
- P-8A –Integration Readiness Reviews; >20,000 SIL Hours, 6,000 test problem reports
- JMS (JSPOC) Conducting technical interchanges and integration risk reduction activities.
- SDBII –Joint Interface Control Working Group to facilitate weapon system integration
- >20 Programs implementing SOAs

## **Integration Challanges**

- Pgm A Disconnect between Mission and Functional decomposition
- Pgm B Performance across all connectivity paths not adequately planned or executed.
- Pgm C Sensors and Platform developed separately without schedule/funding/and contractual linkages
- Pgm D Lack Architectural views of system
- Pgm E Methodical build up of integrated system not accomplished
- Pgm F Integration across system nodes not adequately planned
- Pgm G DoD programs not available in time frame needed to integrate with system

# Integration Awareness Increasing... Performed 43 Integration Evaluations: 20 Positive, 12 Negative, and 11 Neutral

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# **Open System Architecture** Initiatives



### **Programs implementing Service Oriented Architectures (SOA)**

- ISPAN
- AOC WS
- CANES
- BCTM
- NCES
- AOC-WS
- BTA program
- KMI
- PKI

- MCSC M&JIC
- SSWG
- GV-ES
  - TEDS JCTD
  - JITC-G
  - GCSS-AF
  - ECSS
    - EHR
    - NGEN



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### **Overall SOA Integration benefits**

- Reusable functionality and interfaces
- Loosely-coupled functions that are not required to be installed onto platforms
- Standards-based design greater degree of rigor to interface specifications
- Multi-Service SOA Consortium DoD programs implementing SOA environments meet and share experiences and best-practices



## Refined / Aligned Multi-Dimensional Layer Definitions





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# **Metrics Development Evolution**







# Qualitative and Quantitative Metrics Development



#### **Qualitative and Quantitative Integration Metrics**

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# Notional Example of Qualitative Checklist Metrics Development





#### **Qualitative Integration Metrics**

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# Notional Example of Quantitative Tracking Metrics Development





#### **Quantitative Integration Metrics**

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# Key Characteristics of Addressing Integration Risk



- Sensitive to phases of acquisition Life-Cycle development
- Measures and Threshold expectations on a:
  - DAES (3 mo cycle)
  - Annual Report cycle
  - Milestone cycle
- Planning and execution of integration tasks
- Multi-Dimensional contribution of functions, disciplines, etc.
- Provides Governance
- Indicates rate of change
- Coupling complexity (not all integration is equal)

#### **Time-sensitive Qualitative and Quantitative Integration Metrics**

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- Implementing Systems Engineering guidance:
  - Socialize "Good" practices to prevent integration issues
  - Update Defense Acquisition Program Support (DAPS) methodology
  - Emphasize Integration processes and tasks
- Implementing Risk Assessment and Metrics:
  - Pilot Program
  - Full Scale
  - Engage with industry and academia
- Implementing AT&L Affordability Initiatives:
  - Early SE
  - Execution via Touch points
  - Integration as part of RFP's and Contracts

### Institutionalizing Integration Risk Assessment

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