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Physics-based Modeling in Ship Design: Where are we headed?

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WHERE WE ARE TODAY
HOW WE GOT HERE



SHIP DESIGN • WHERE WE NEED TO GO • INITIATIVES TO GET THERE

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WHERE WE ARE TODAY: Naval Ships Cost Too Much!

- Early "framing assumptions" put acquisition programs on an initial path for success or failure. (DoD AT&L, 2012)
- Common incorrect "framing assumption" made by failed programs was "design is mature".
- Consequences of incorrectly assuming "design is mature"
 - Production and development can be concurrent
 - Weight is known and will not increase as usual
 - Design can be refined for affordability will reduce production cost
- "Starting construction without a stable design...leads to costly out-of-sequence work and rework..." (GAO 2009)

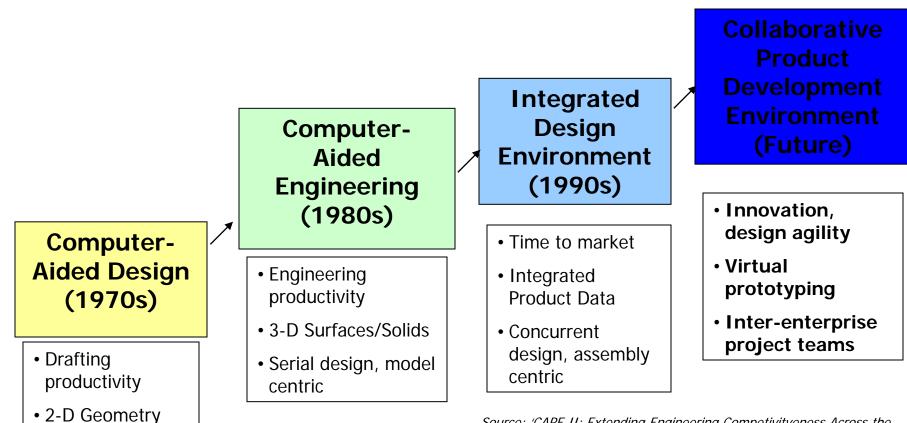
"It ain't what you don't know that gets you into trouble. It's what you know for sure that just ain't so." Mark Twain

HOW WE GOT HERE: Capability Development

Serial design,

drawing centric

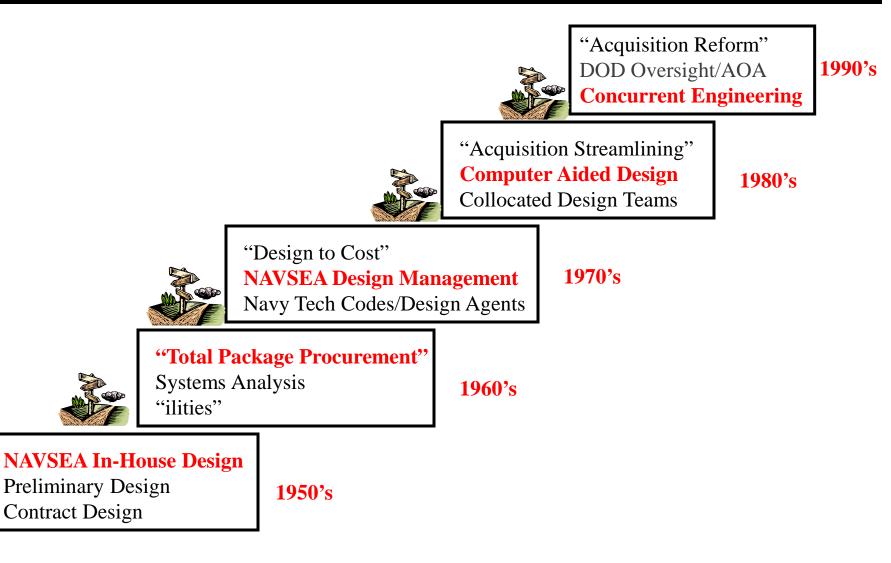




Source: 'CAPE II: Extending Engineering Competivitveness Across the Supply Chain" by D. Burdick, GartnerGroup, 1997

HOW WE GOT HERE: Over 50 Years of Warship Design and Acquisition





Experience and the Right Tools Make A BIG Difference



Lack of Experience	Highly Experienced
Smart, Physics- Based Tools Tools	Smart, Physics- Based Tools
Rule-Based Tools	Rule-Based Tools
Lack of Experience	Highly Experienced

- 1980s Reagan Buildup: Average Cost Growth for Lead Ship was 10%**
 - NAVSEA Highly Experienced Ship Design Workforce
 - User-Driven Design
- 1990/2000s Acquisition Reform: Average Cost Growth for Lead Ship was 50%**
 - Inexperienced Industry Design Teams
 - Manufacturer Driven Design



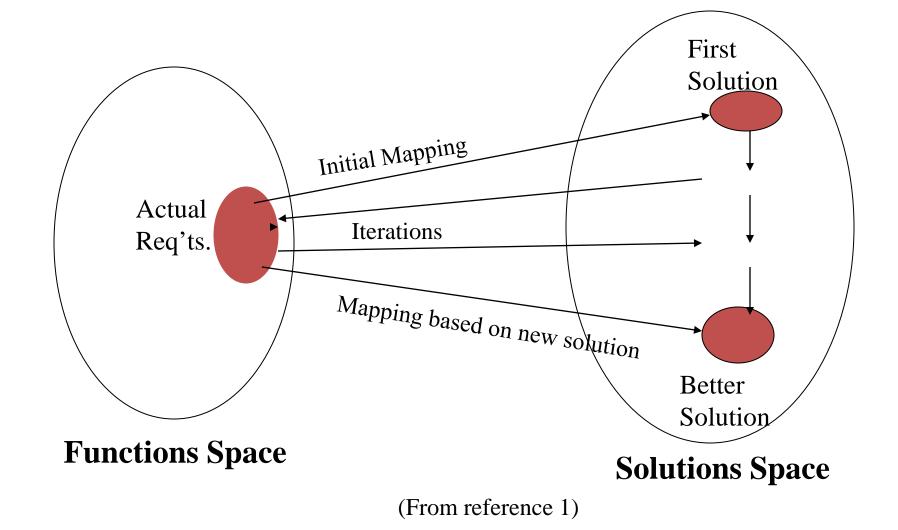
WHERE WE NEED TO GO?



According to an old proverb, if we do not change our direction, we might end up where we are headed.



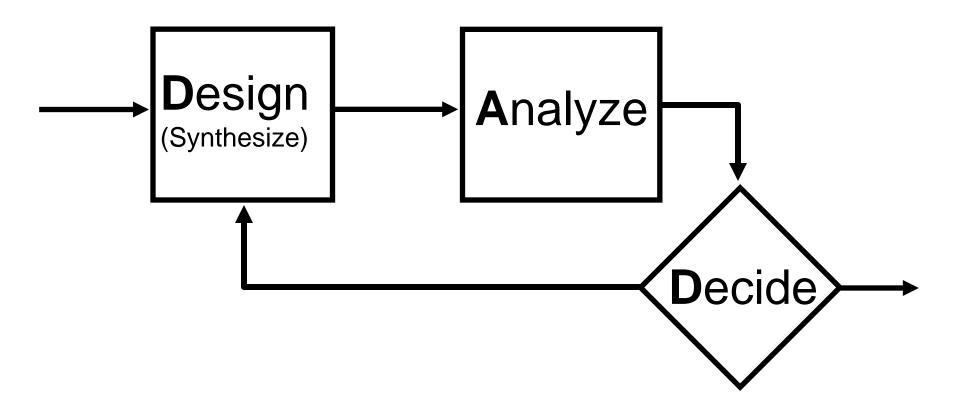
Design: Mapping Requirements to Solutions



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Fundamental Design Process



Synthesis-Aspect of Design that attracts Naval Architect

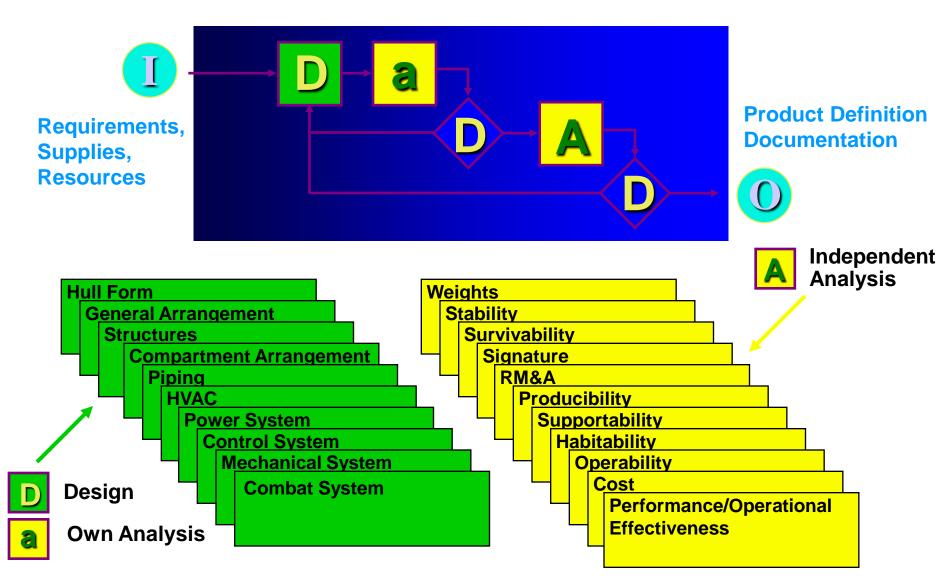


The real innovative nature of design is "synthesis"

- Create something new
- Put things together into something new
- New architecture at the total system level, e.g. hull form
- Another important element of design is "analysis"
 - A lot of analysis in ship design
 - Break the total down into analyzable parts
- Must decide what you want in the <u>alternatives</u> to be created and analyzed, depending on stages of design

Designing a Complex System – A Warship

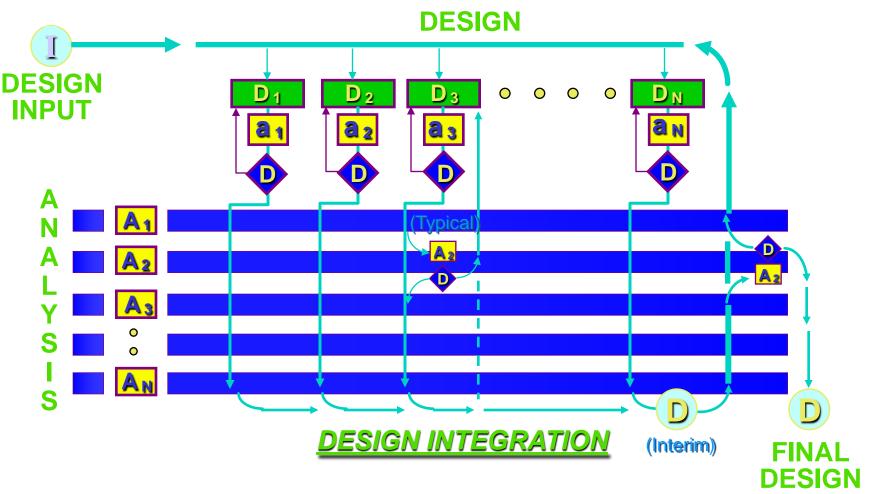




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Designing a Complex System: Design Integration



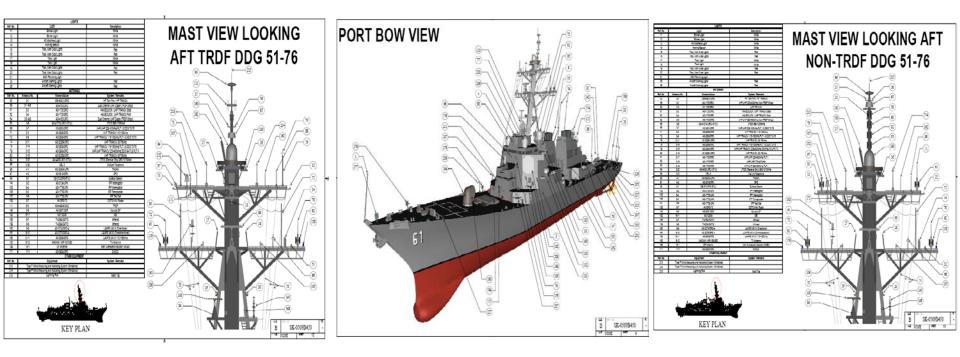


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RF Integration Challenges

Our Topside Real Estate Reality



Numerous antennas competing for limited space and coverage result in a complex electromagnetic environment (EME), presenting a challenge for effective topside integration and maintaining the topside baseline.

AV Integration Challenges



• Dynamic Interfaces between ship and aircraft







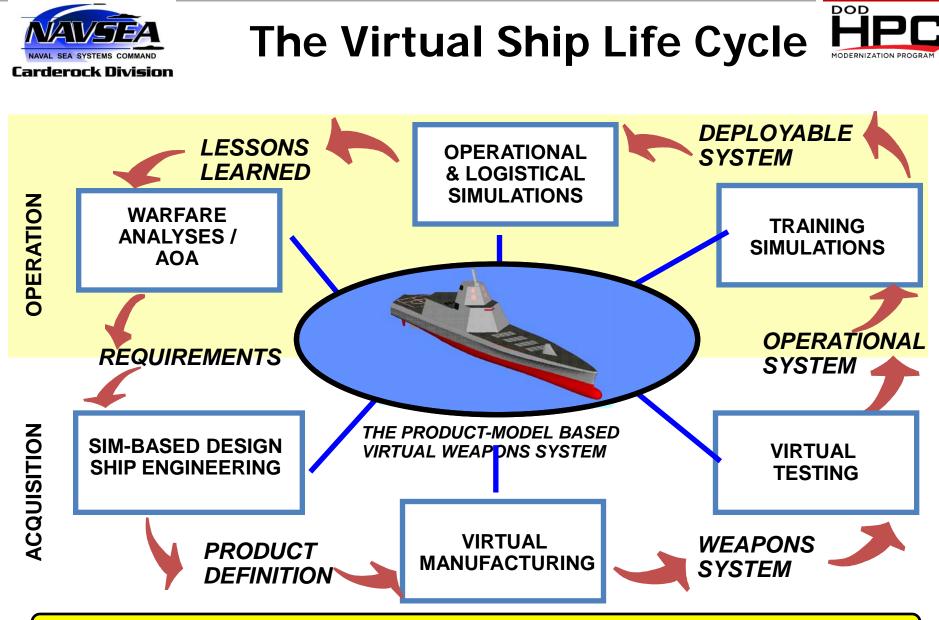
Integrated Topside Design & Analyses

- Needed superstructure size
- Radar/array configurations & placements
- Stack Height, ship air wake
- Kingposts, cranes, boats, guns, launchers
- Mast height, size
- Intact/Damage Stability
- Aviation-Ship Dynamic Interfaces
- EMC/EMI/RADHAZ
- Deck wetness
- Hull Flexure Array Alignment

INITIATIVES TO GET US THERE

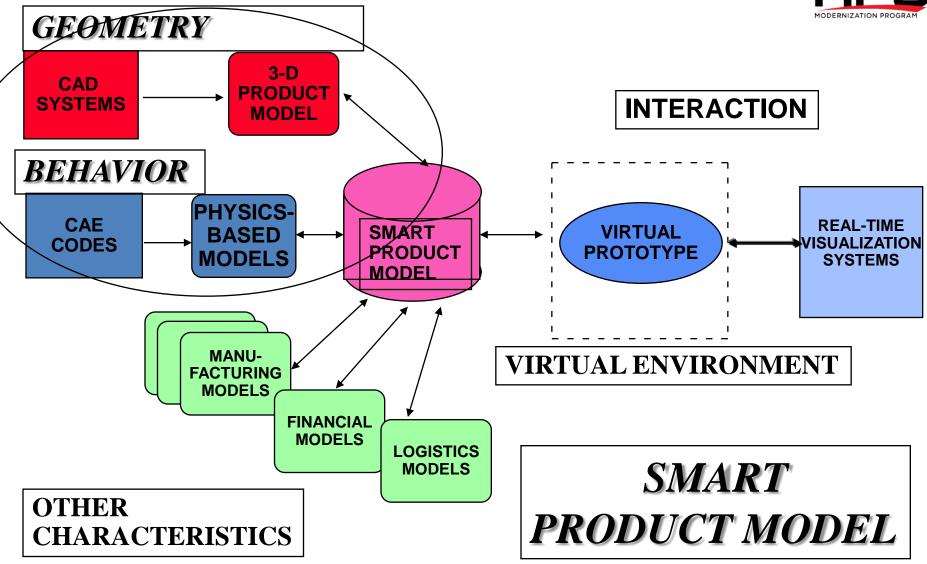


- Computational Research & Engineering for Acquisition Tools & Environments (CREATE) – Ships Project
 - Replace empirical design with validated physics-based computational design
 - Begin system integration earlier in acquisition process
- ONR's National Naval Responsibility for Naval Engineering (NNRNE)
 - Collaboration of naval engineering universities
 - "High interest" in ship design technologies
- Navy's Center for Innovation in Ship Design (CISD)
 - Sustain Nation's warship design capabilities
 - Focus on learning-by-doing design

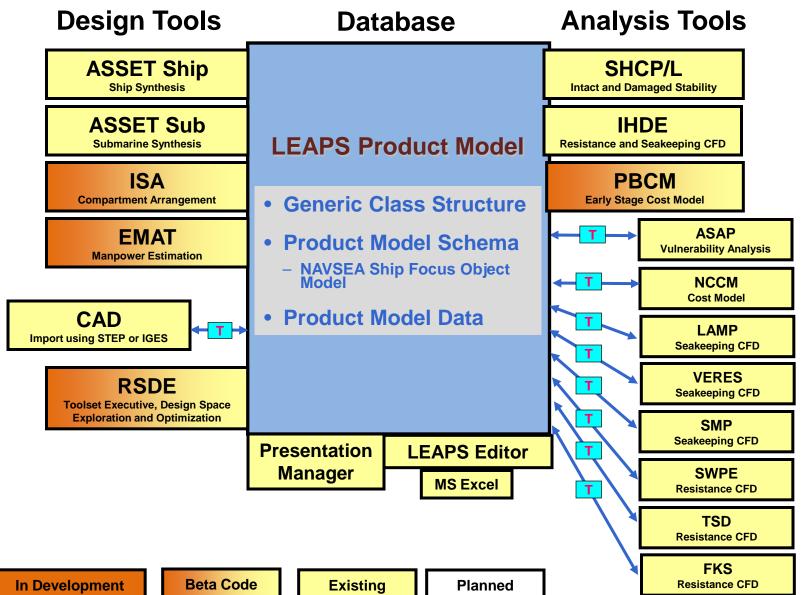


VISION: CONCEIVE, DESIGN, BUILD, TEST, TRAIN, AND OPERATE A WEAPONS SYSTEM IN A COMPUTER BEFORE CUTTING METAL





Leading Edge Architecture for Prototyping Systems (LEAPS) Toolset







Integrated Tools: "We Shape Our Tools And Our Tools Shape Us"

- Accelerate use of physics-based models by design engineers in early design
- Achieve an Integrated Design Environment (IDE) for early stage design
- Implement a design analysis product model LEAPS (Leading Edge Architecture for Prototyping Systems)
- Integrate Design, Production and Support
- Capitalize on 3-D Product Model Technology

Structure IDE to Design-Build Process



Lean Design Processes

- Understand Variability (or Risk)
- Excess Capacity to Manage Design Queues
- Reduce Batch Size
- Use Cadence and Synchronization
- Accelerate Feedback
- Use More Frequent Informal Reviews
- Decentralize Flow Control

More Iterations, Reductions in Cycle Time



Enterprise-Wide Communications

- Usable information to make good decisions
- Reduce the need for communications:
 - well-partitioned architecture,
 - fewer interfaces in ship architecture,
 - more standard and stable interfaces
 - well-defined responsibilities on design team,
 - having dedicated team members,
 - virtual collocation comparable to physical collocation

Requires architectural design analysis tools

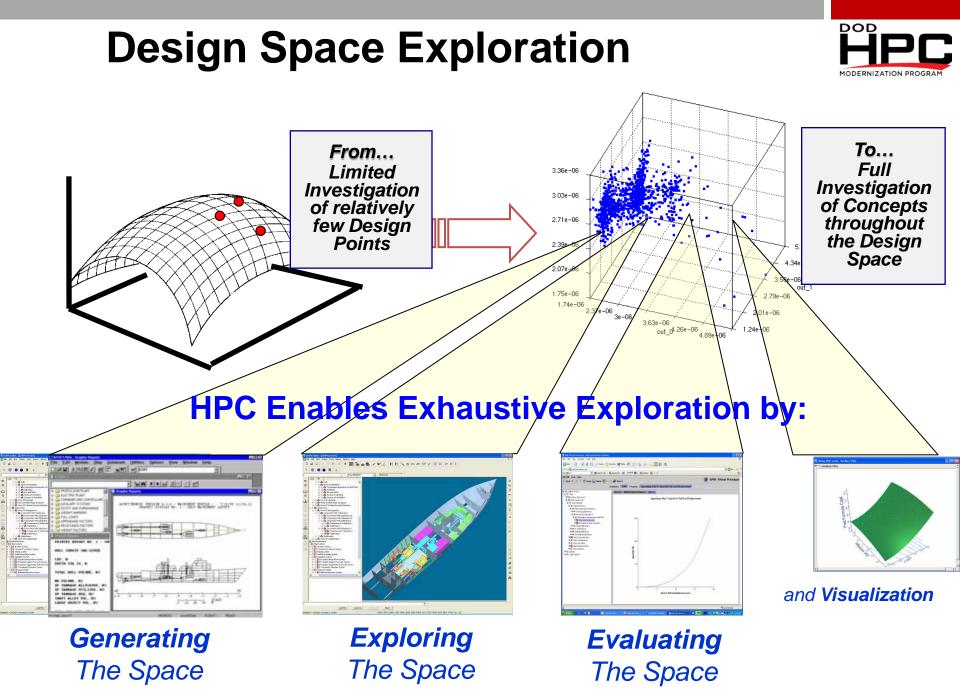


CREATE-Ships Objectives for Rapid Design and Integration (RDI)

- Comprehensively explore alternative design solutions while there is still a maximum range of options available
- Provide greater definition for each ship in a range of possible design solutions
- Perform detailed, physics-based and HPC-based analysis early on in the design cycle for each ship in a range of possible design solutions









Modeling Warships in the Ocean Battle Space: Way Ahead

- Need to start co-evolution of ConOps & systems for multiple alternative futures long before Milestone A
 - Continuing process not tied to specific acquisitions
- Need engineers to have unfettered access to warfighters
 - Accelerated exploration during concept formulation
 - Collaborative process exploring new/radical innovations
- Need more physics-based tools for concept design with
 - Timely pre-processing of system geometry
 - Timely post-processing of results into decision aids

