

Just-In-Time Cost Estimate in a

Multidisciplinary Design Environment

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The Problems

"IDA effort examined the front end of the processes that result in initiation of major acquisition programs <u>and noted the lack of rigorous evaluations of need,</u> technical feasibility, affordability, and risk."

https://www.ida.org/en/SAC/ExploreSACResearch/2/EvaluatingSystems.aspx

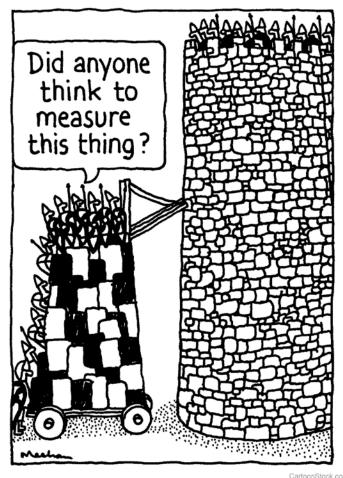
High Uncertainty in the Early Days



Engineering teams have to cope with many

unknowns associated with

- High-performance expectations
 - Performance gaps
 - Integration challenges
 - -ilities factors
 - Requirements creep
- Low cost constraints
 - Highly capable system high complexity
 - Complex operating environment
 - Having long operational life
 - Unpredictable production volume



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Opportunities

Managing the complexity



- Advanced engineering design methods and principals
 - Heuristic process supported by stochastic analytic
 - Optimize system as a whole
 - Proven design framework
 - Concurrent Engineering: Integrated Product and Process Development
 - Taguchi Methods: Robust Design Simulation
 - Value Engineering: max[Function/Cost]
- Efficient use of new technology
 - Balance performance, cost, schedule, and risk
- Adapt to changes
 - Modeling and Simulation
 - What-if analysis, assumption testing, probabilistic analysis
- Cost management
 - Scalable, traceable, adaptable, and consistent

Better Buying Power 4.0



Best Practices: Strengthen DoD's buying power, improve industry productivity, provide affordable, value-added capability to the Warfighter

- 1. Achieve Affordable Programs
 - Constrained by the maximum resources allocated for a capability
 - No longer performance at any cost
 - Nor merely eliminating capability to achieve cost reduction
- 2. Control Costs Throughout the Product Lifecycle
 - Ability to understand and control future costs from a program's inception
- 3. Incentivize Productivity and Innovation in Industry and Government
 - Reward efficiency
- 4. Eliminate Unproductive Processes and Bureaucracy
- 5. Promote Effective Competition
 - Standardized Value Function
- 6. Improve Tradecraft in Acquisition of Services
- 7. Improve the Professionalism of the Total Acquisition Workforce



Key Take-Away

Paradigm Shift



Performance-Based Acquisition



Affordability-Based Acquisition

Performance at any cost

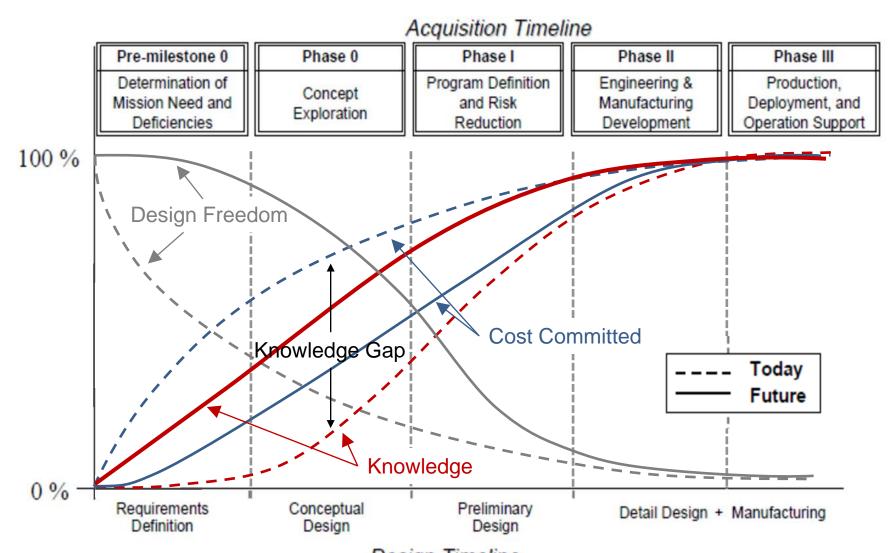
- Independent product and process development
- Focus on upfront costs

- Best value -- balance all aspect of performance, cost, risk, schedule
- Integrated product and process development
- Focus on total ownership cost

Integrate Downstream Knowledge



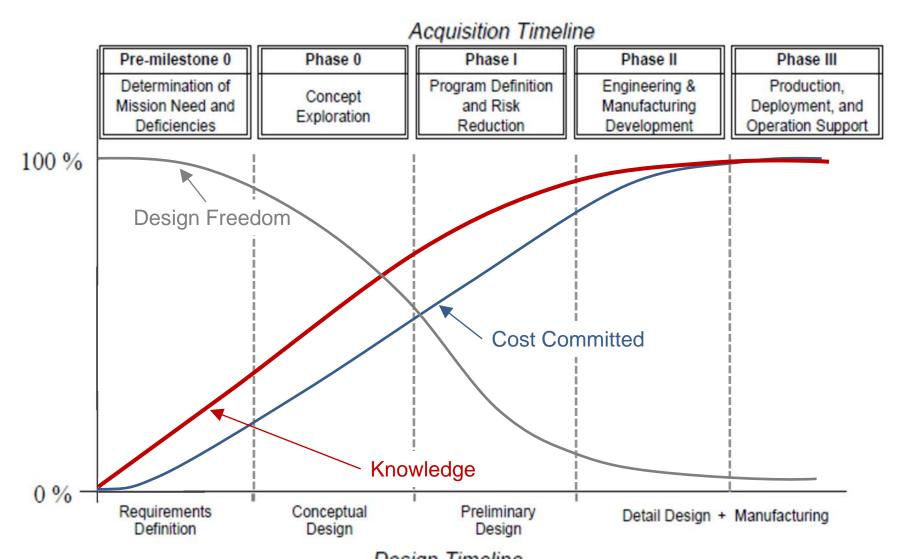
Accelerate the s-curve



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Case Study: Notional Aircraft Derivative



The Need

Customer-Driven Value Metrics



Lethality

- Extra Payload Capacity
 - Excess Fuel

Combat Performance

- High Speed Maneuver
 - Sustained Turn Rate

Survivability

- Climb Out Performance
 - Power-to-weight
 - Stall speed

Cost

- R&D
- Production
- 0&S



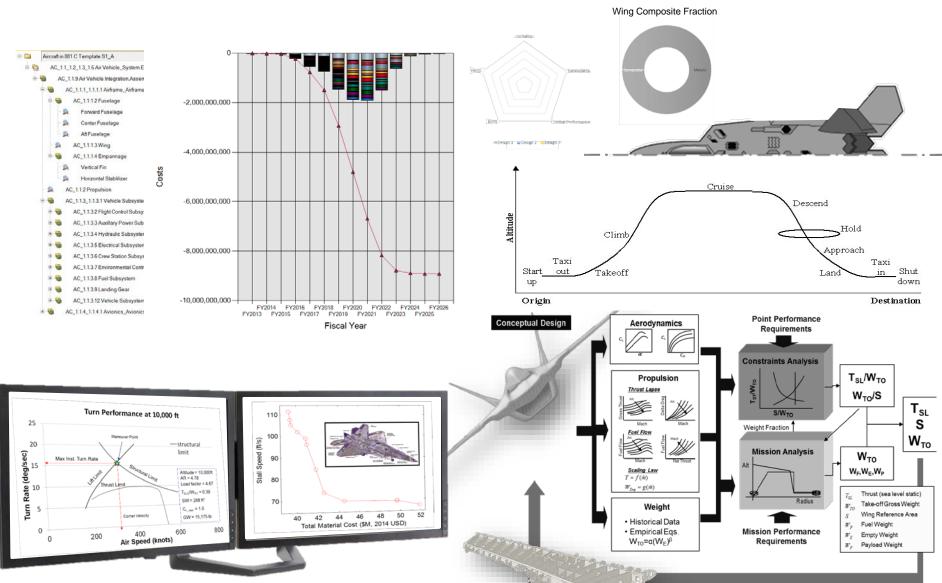




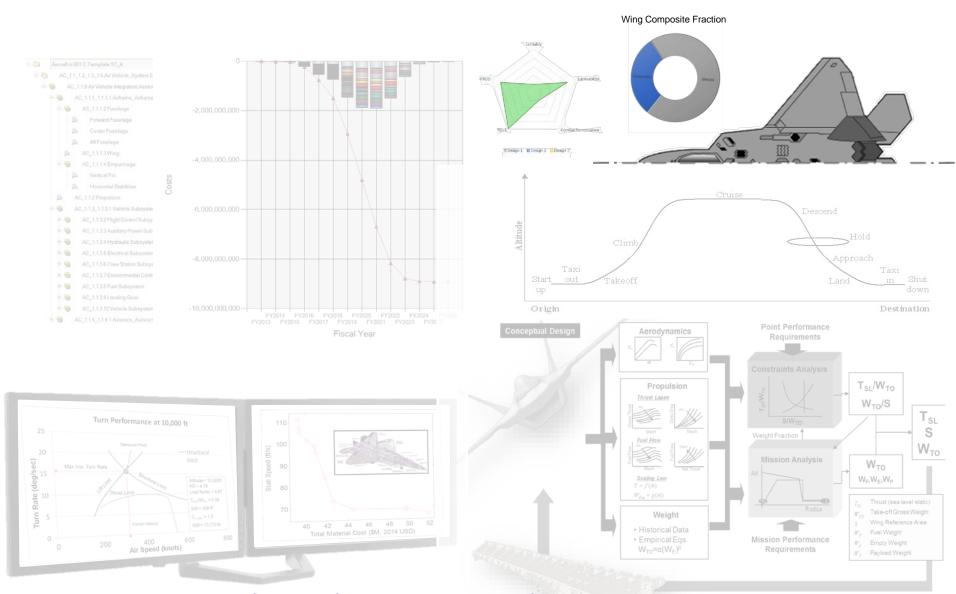


Design 1 Design 2 Design 3

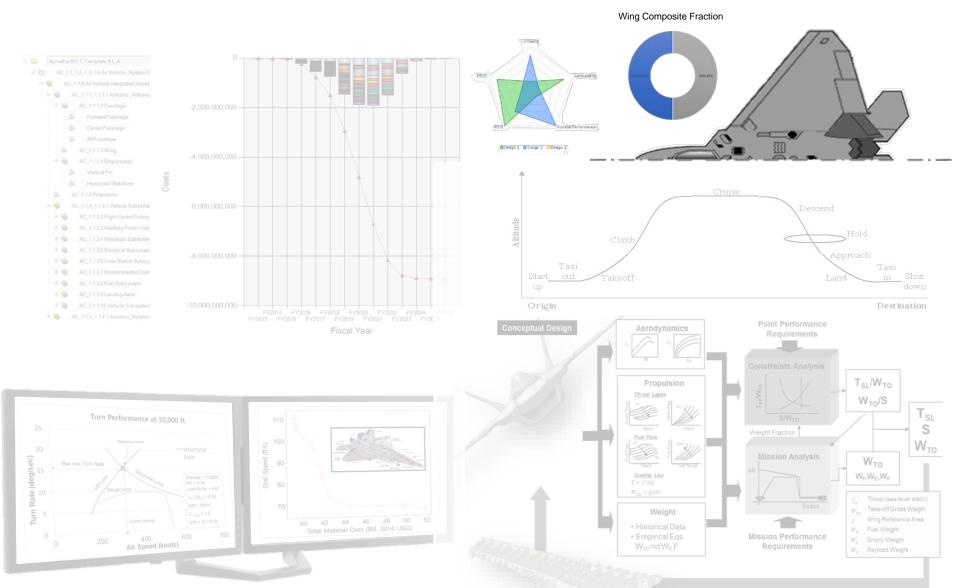














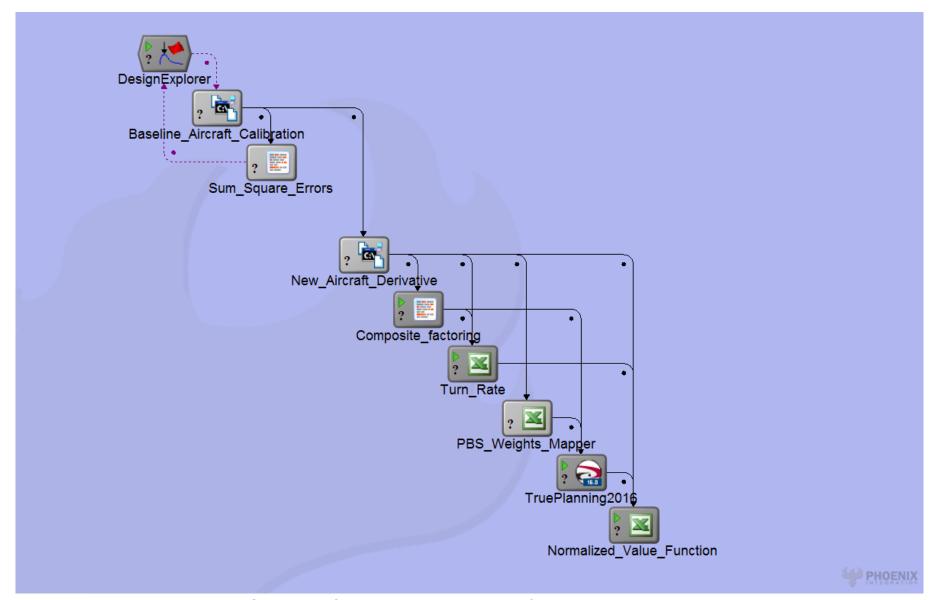




The Setup

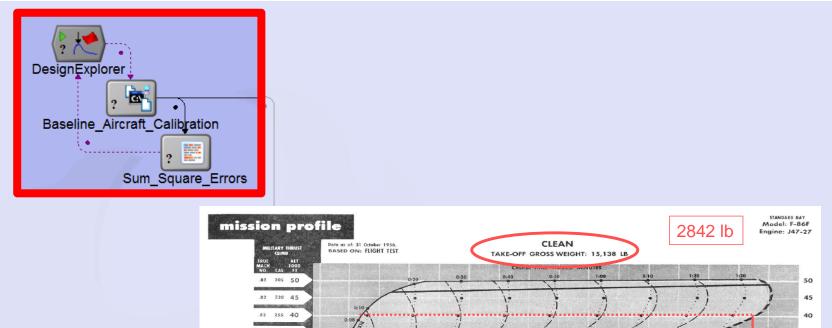
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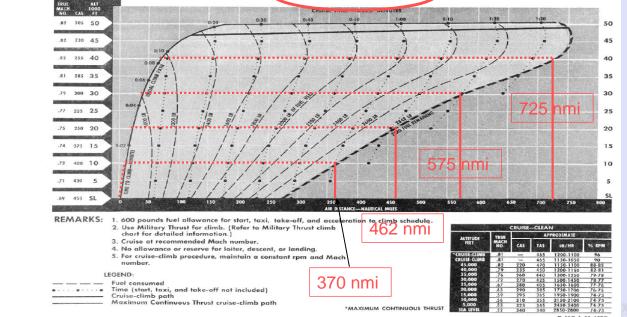




Baseline Calibration

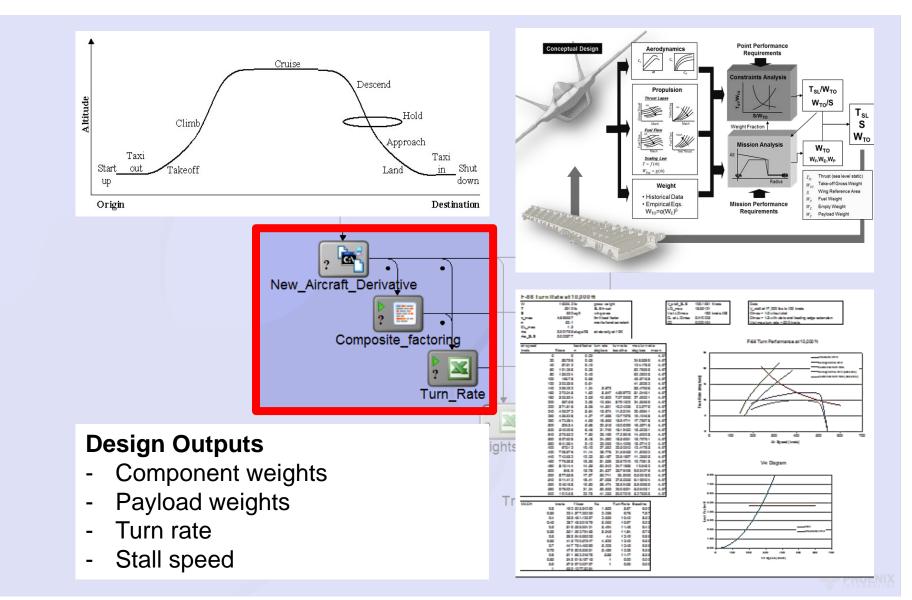






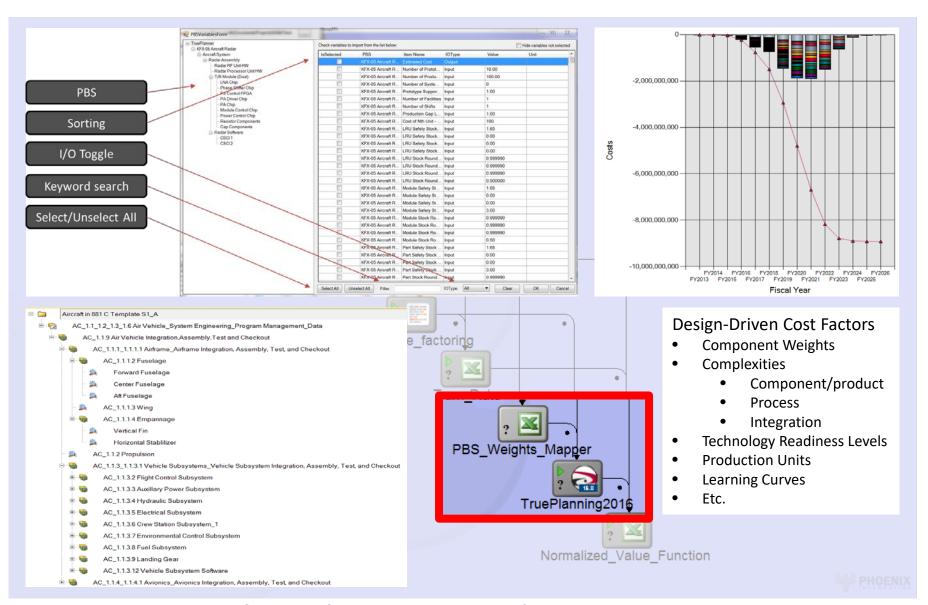
Performance, Sizing and Synthesis





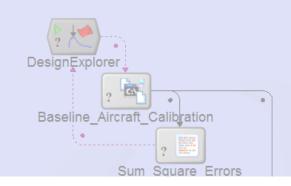
Cost Analysis





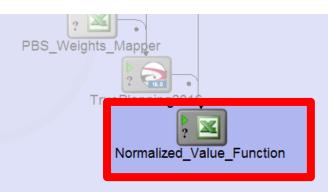
Value Metrics





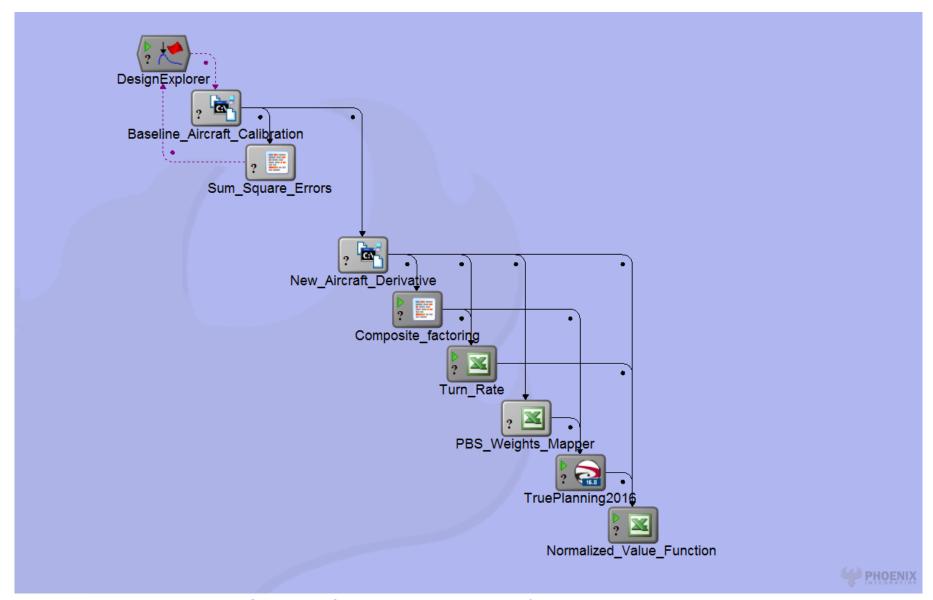
Cost – Capability Index

$$CCI = \frac{\alpha \cdot \left(\widehat{W}_{Payload}\right) + \beta \cdot \left(\widehat{V}_{Stall}\right) + \gamma \cdot \left(\widehat{\omega}_{Sust.Turn}\right)}{\widehat{NPV}_{Unit.Amortized}}$$



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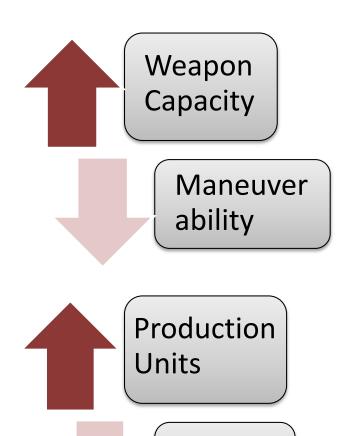


The Analysis

At First Glance



- Independent variables
 - SW/AR/SWEEP/Other aerodynamic properties
 - Can verify with performance model
- Technology risks
 - Use of composite
 - Can verify with manufacturing expert. Feasible to do?
- External uncertainties
 - Production unit?
 - Require assumption to be made
 - Requirements/Customer preference
 - Need to find robust design options.



Unit Cost

Iterative Design Process



Design Alternatives

1. Screening 10M - 100K

2. Sensitivity 100K - 10K

3. Normalization

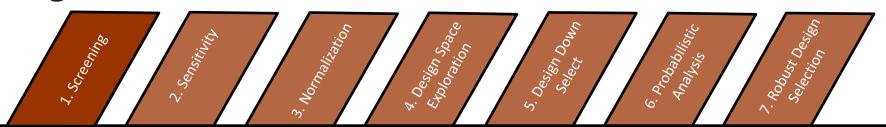
4. Design Space Exploration 10K - 1K

5. Design Down Select 20 - 10

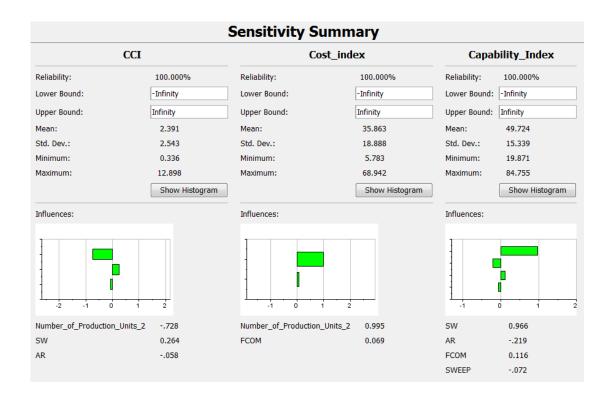
6. Probabilistic Analysis

7. Robust Design Selection 10 - 3

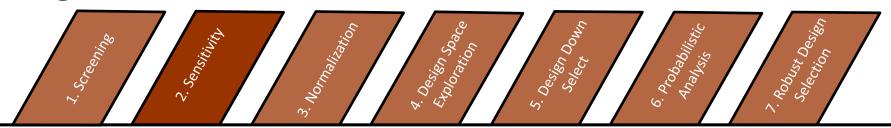




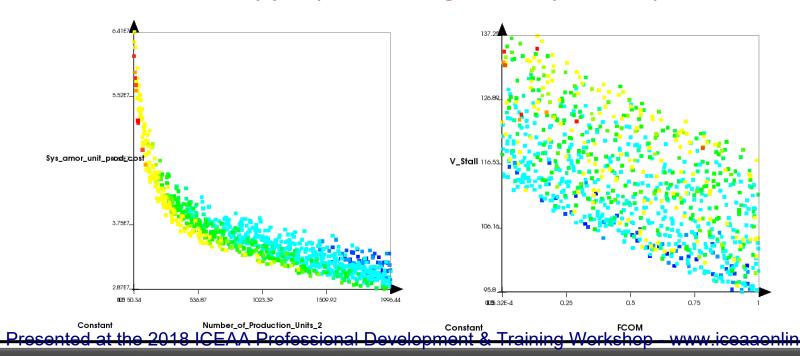
Applying Pareto Principal to reduce number of input variables



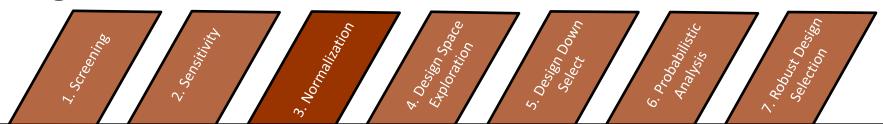




- Verify the model
- Further Eliminate insensitive parameters
- Determine the appropriate ranges of Input/output values



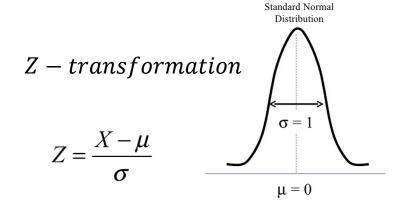




Ensure equal contribution from each output metric

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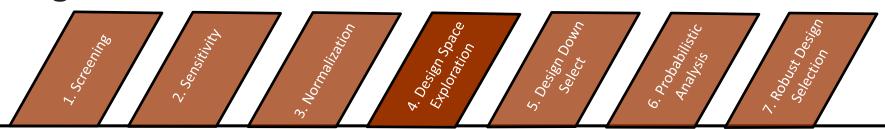
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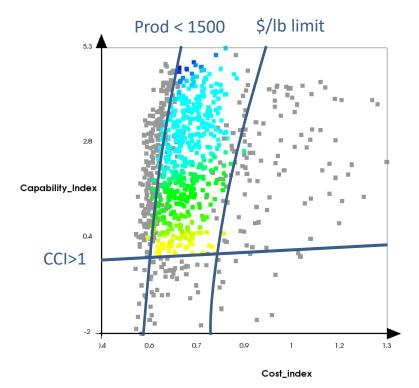
Range transformation

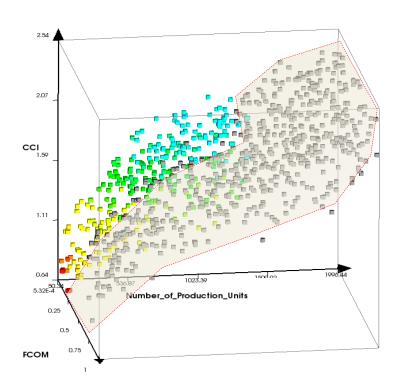
$$x' := (x-x_{\min})/(x_{\max}-x_{\min})$$



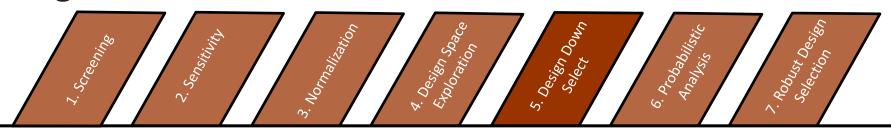


- Develop better understanding of the problem and its cause-effect
- Explore limitations

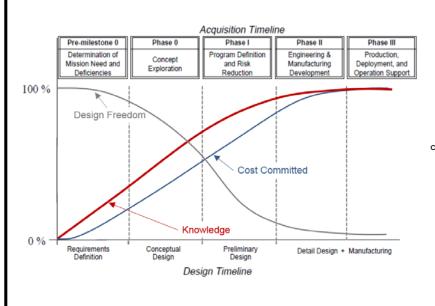


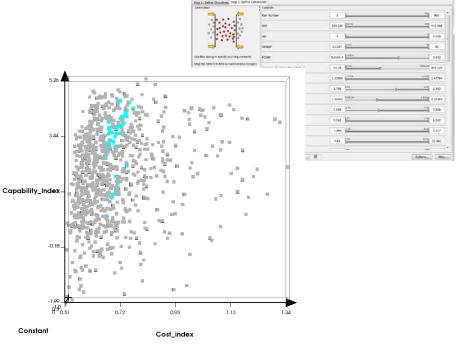




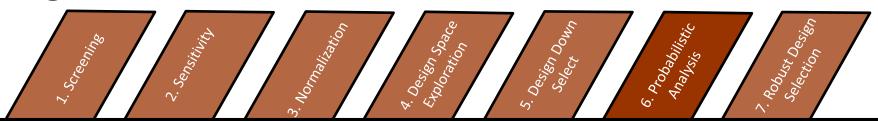


- Incorporate downstream knowledge
 - Impose limitations product, process, technology, budget, schedule, etc.
 - Limit exposure to risky designs

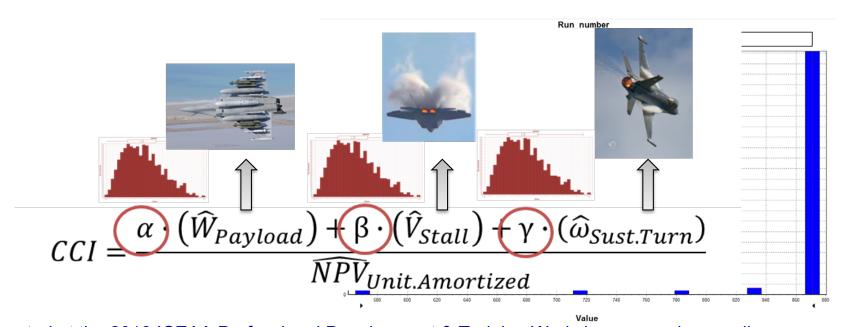




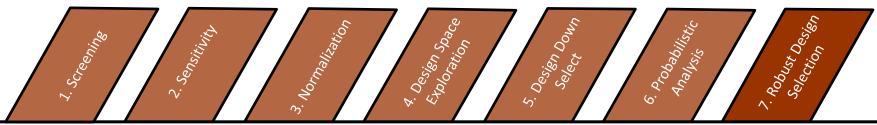




- Quantifying uncertainties in the requirements
- Robust designs are the ones with better survival rates









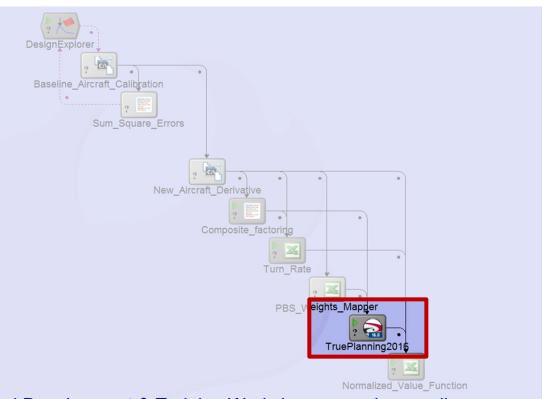


Summary

Design Affordability Summary



- Systems-of-Systems Capability
- Assembly & Integration
- Varying producibility parameters
- Varying material parameters
- Vary subcontractor rate decks
- Vary escalation assumptions



Relevancy to BBP 4.0



- Accelerate the knowledge S-curve
 - Take full advantage of downstream expertise and enterprise knowledge in early cost estimate
 - Incorporate risk and uncertainty quantification
- Fidelity of cost estimate can increase overtime
- Leverage enterprise knowledge
- Support integration with Systems Engineering process, Earned
 Value Management and other affordability frameworks

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