## Physics-Based Distributed Collaborative Design for Aerospace Vehicle Development and Technology Assessment

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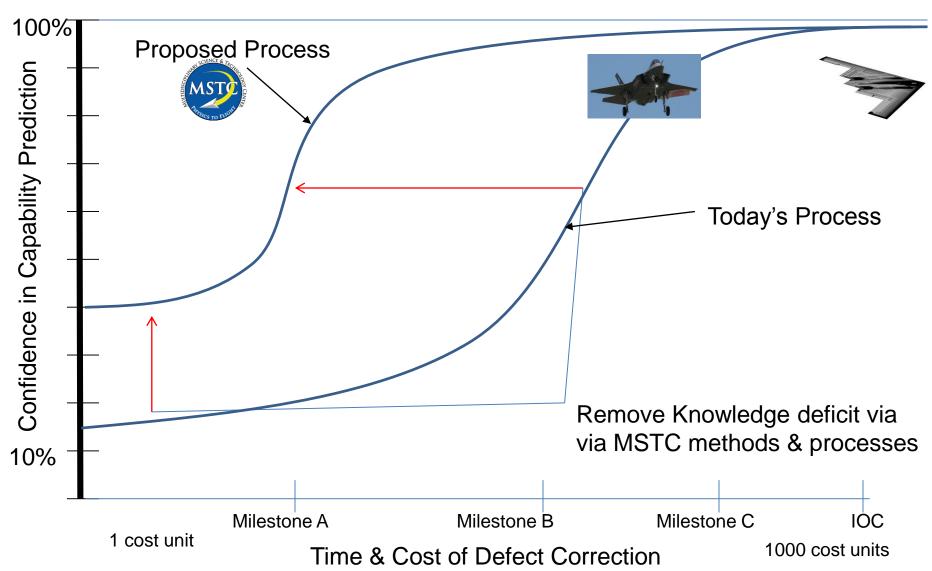
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## Reducing the Knowledge Deficit in Capability Prediction

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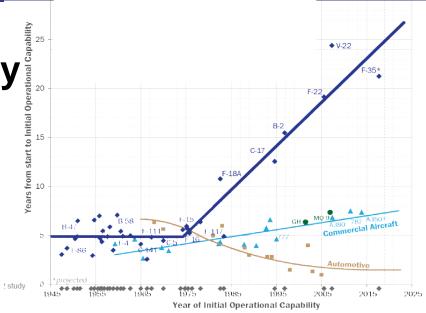


Some Goals



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# Deliver vehicles that satisfy mission requirements in a timely manner



Reduce the number of late defects due to unmodeled physics

# Trace technology to mission level capability impact based on physics – Effectiveness Based Design Approved for Public Release 13 Aug 2013 - 88ABW-2013-3606

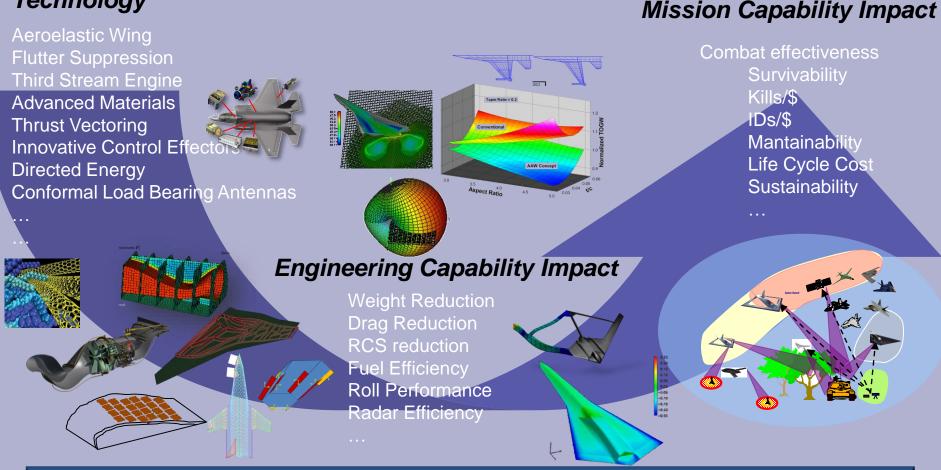


## **Develop & Trace Technology to Mission** Level Capability Impact Based on Physics



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#### Technology



Want to find:

∂Mission\_Capability

*∂Technology* 

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#### **Regressions of historical Data** Computational or testing on actual configuration L/D<sub>max</sub> B-52 20 Civil DC jets 18 Subsonio B747 Military DC-10 16 Retractabl Gulfstrea • A6 prop aircraft 14 C-130 F86D 12 Fixed-gear prop aircraft Skyhawk Versus 10 Che F-4 F-104 O J-3 Have Bhu 6 F-100 4 Jets at Mach 1.15 (poor correlation) 2 1.0 1.2 1.4 2.0 22 Wetted aspect ratio = b2/Swet = A/(Swet/Sref) Raymer $W_{wing} = (k_{tech \ factor}) * 0.0103 K_{dw} K_{vs} (W_{dg} N_z)^{0.5} S_w^{0.622}$ \* $A^{0.785}(t/c)_{root}^{-.04}(1+\lambda)^{0.05}(\cos \lambda)^{-1}S_{cov}^{0.04}$ Historical data insufficient for designing new/innovative configurations and assessing new technologies





Add Disciplines, Couplings, & Fidelity - Early

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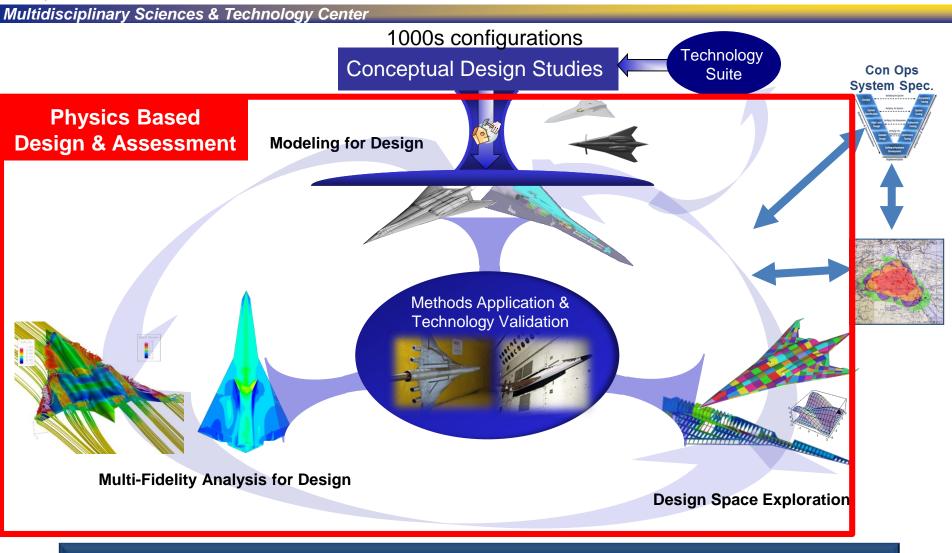
Cost

Con Ops & System Spec

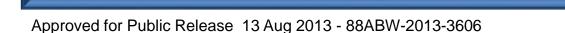


## How to Capture the Physics Driving the Design Pre-Milestone A





### Get more (and Better) Information ... and get it Earlier



- Computational framework that supports hi-fidelity distributed collaborative design.
- Synthesis process does not currently include uncertainty & probabilistic design methods
- Culture

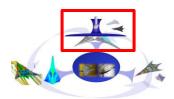
responses

Need to be able to do 10's of HiFi Physics Based Configuration Design with the Same Resources & Time of Traditional Conceptual Design

Need rapid development of domain model construction from geometry (structural lay-outs, configurations, FEM, CFD Meshes, sub-systems etc..)



> Need coupling of all necessary engineering disciplines (structures, aero, thermal, controls, acoustics etc.) at the appropriate level of fidelity to predict static and dynamic



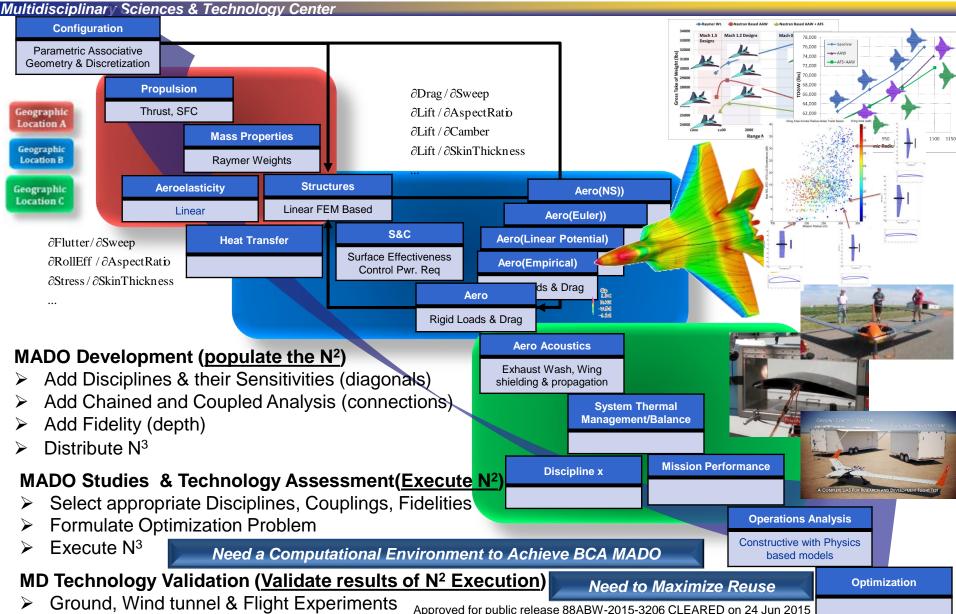


### MADO N<sup>3</sup> Diagram

(aka design structure matrix, dependency structure matrix, spider diagram)









## **Typical Target Application Efficient Supersonic Configuration**



Northrop ESAVE, EXPEDITE Boeing **ESAVE** 

**Effectiveness Objectives** Access, Firepower, Reach, Speed/Agility **Engineering Objectives** Range, Weight, Specific Excess Power **Design Variables** Aerodynamic (10's) Controls (10's) Engine (10's) Subsystems(100's) Structural (1000's) Constraints Strength, Stiffness, Thermal Static and Dynamic Aeroelastic Level 1-3 Fidelity

#### Technology Evaluations

- Configuration Compact Weapons, **Compact Launchers**
- Aerodynamics
  - Subsonic Laminar Flow, Supersonic Laminar Flow
- Propulsion
  - Variable Cycle Engine Advanced High Speed Inlet
- **Structures**

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Active Aeroelastic Wing Active Flutter Suppression

ICE Effectors (SSD)





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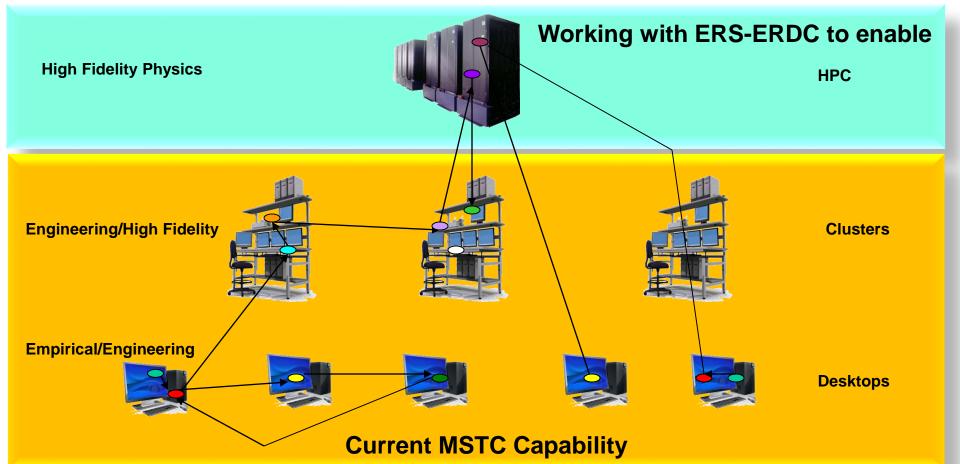
- # of components/applications/Services 100's to 1000's
- Run times of services secs to weeks
- Data
  - kilobytes to terabytes
  - ascii, binary, databases
- Distributed (across organizational boundaries) heterogeneous computing environment
  - Hand held devices to HPC resources
  - Seamless access to data and services
  - Process representation with secure communications
- 1E4 of design variables
- 1E5 constraints
- Multi-Objective



## Physics Based Distributed Collaborative Design (Compute Resource View)

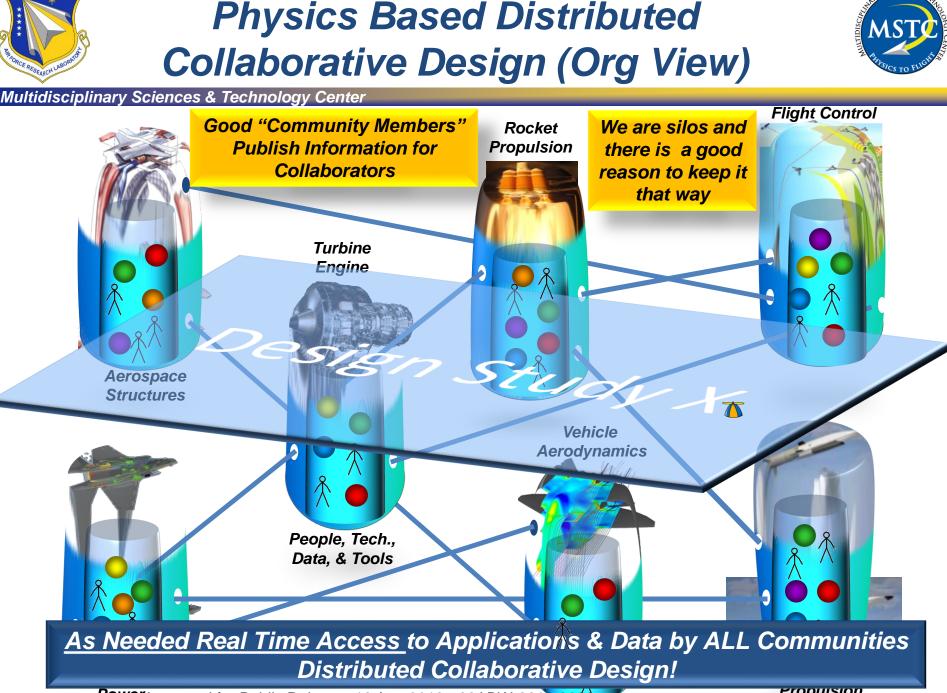


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#### Seamless Access to All Methods, Models, Data, and Compute Resources Across the Network

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Propulsion







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#### **Scientific Impact**

Past



Exploiting the **synergism** of mutually interacting phenomena to **produce a capability that cannot be obtained otherwise** 

## **Acquisition Impact**

Reduce discovery of late defects due to un-modeled physics

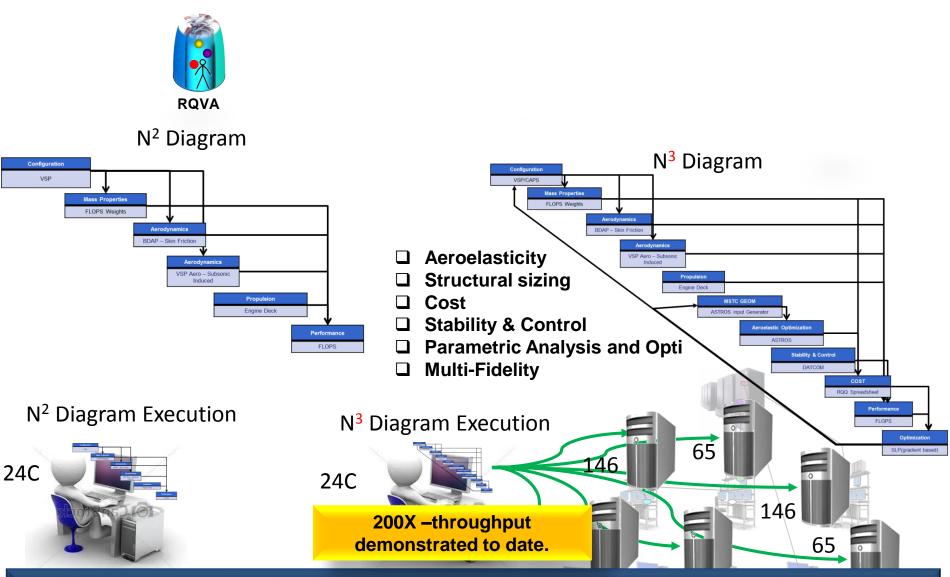




Multi-disciplinary Science is an *enabler* for the development of the next generation air and space vehicles

### It is essential to determine <u>early on</u> the pertinent interactions between coupled engineering disciplines

Small UAV DesignDesign With Collaborative Distributed DesignWithout Distributed Collaborative Design(RQVA, RQVC, RQQ, RQT)(RQVA)(RQVA)



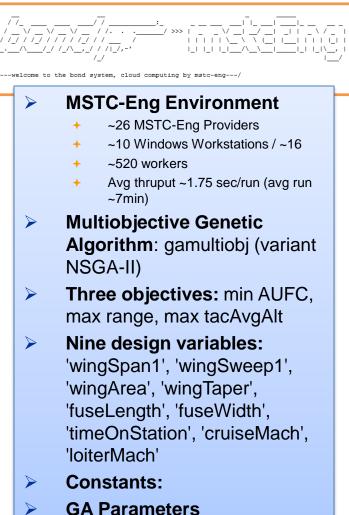
Significant Cultural Change - Gives More Information, Faster – Better Decisions



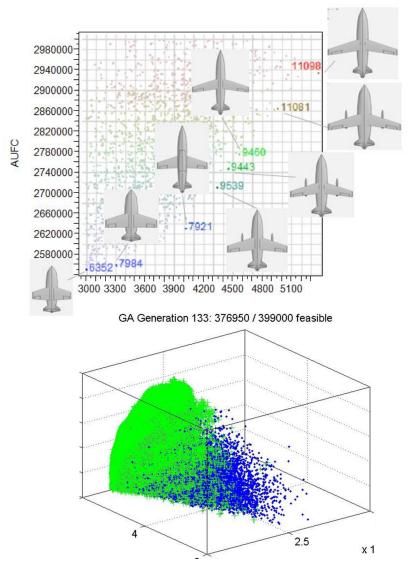
# Small UAV Design Study with MSCT-Engineering



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- + Population: 3000
  - Generations: 135
  - Total runs: 400k



Results courtesy Burton, White, Kao and team



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# Some Future Technologies that will impact Aerospace Vehicle Design



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#### Modeling for design

- + Rapid Attributed, associative parametric OML & IML with geometric sensitivities
- + Human machine interface to design process/environments (VR)
  - Ironman JARVIS (Just a Rather Very Intelligent System)
  - Minority report

#### Analysis for design

- + Mathematize selection of disciplines & couplings based on decisions being made
- Multi-scale multi-fidelity analysis & sensitivities
- System of systems

### Design Space Exploration

- Additive Manufacture
- Multi-scale Optimization (topology optimization)
- + Faster to 3D print & test then create computational models?
- Big data database technology, search algorithms (achieve every run)
- Distributed Collaborative Design (multi-tier vendor participation)

#### Computation Resources

- Cloud
- Security



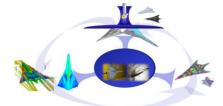
# **Concluding Remarks**

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Historical data & traditional conceptual design processes are insufficient for designing new/innovative configurations and technologies



Enables 10's of HiFi Physics Based Configuration Design with the Same Resources & Time of Traditional Design evaluates 1 or 2.





- Enables AFRL technology developers to have a quantifiable, physics based and traceable trail of the impact of their technologies on system effectiveness - lethality, survivability, sustainability, affordability etc...
- Creates info. with less uncertainty for making decisions for system capabilities, technology assessment, and technology risk reduction
- Reduction of late Defects due to physics



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# Thank you!

# **Questions?**



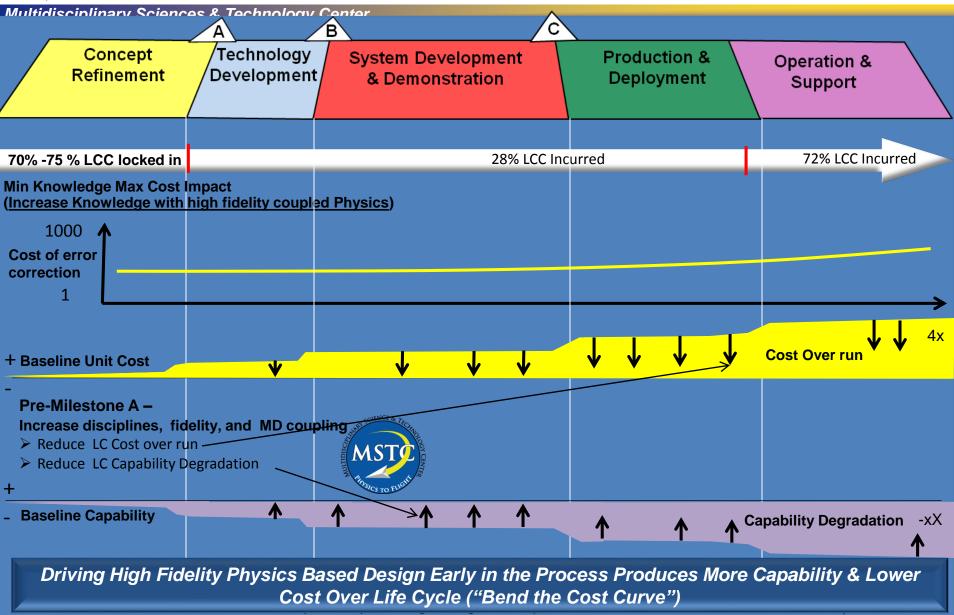


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- If you can change the culture, everything else is "easy"
- Very often, today's experts achieved their accomplishments by doing what the previous generation experts said should or could not be done.
  - Significant Investment Still Needed Substantial ROI Available

# Cost & Capability versus Life Cycle







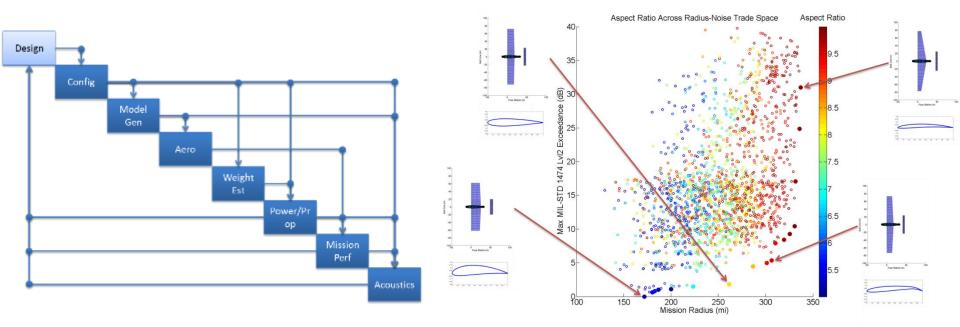
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- Design of vehicle for minimum airframe noise
  - Vary area, aspect ratio, taper ratio, airfoil (NACA 4-digit), loiter speed
- Maximize mission radius while minimizing noise
- Produced viable designs and design guidance for customer

- Developed distributed design process in MSTC-Eng.
- Solved with GA 10<sup>5</sup> runs



## Impact on Efficient Supersonic Air Vehicle Design & Technology Assessment



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Resulting Vehicle Configuration, Performance, & Technology Impact

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