

FEG-2001

Systems Design and Computing:

Formal Systems Design 2 2020/2021

Mech and Aero Theme





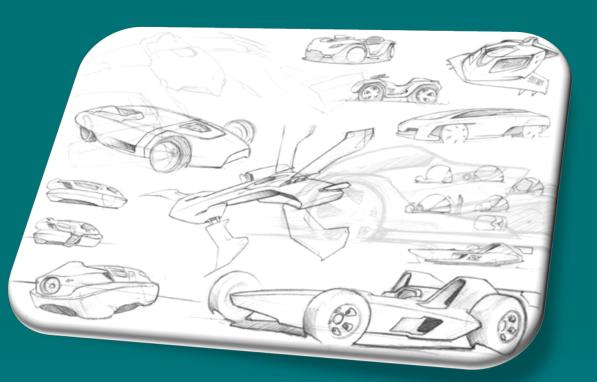
Summary of last lecture

- Idea of Stakeholders rather than "customers"
- Objective tree to capture requirement "Leaves" (lowest level requirements)
- Solution neutral language
- "Discriminators" and "Eliminators"
- Relative importance of requirements
- Advantages (and expense) of binary weighting matrix

Spreadsheet implementation of binary weighting matrix



	Light weight	Impact resistance	Good visibility	Low noise	Easy to put on/remove	Comfortable			Total score	biased score	Normalised score
Light weight	Χ	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	9.5%
Impact resistance		Χ	1	1	1	1	4	1	5	6	28.6%
Good visibility			Χ	1	0	0	1	1	2	3	14.3%
Low noise				Χ	1	1	2	0	2	3	14.3%
Easy to put on/remove					Χ	0	0	2	2	3	14.3%
Comfortable						Χ	0	3	3	4	19.0%
	0	1	1	0	2	3				21	



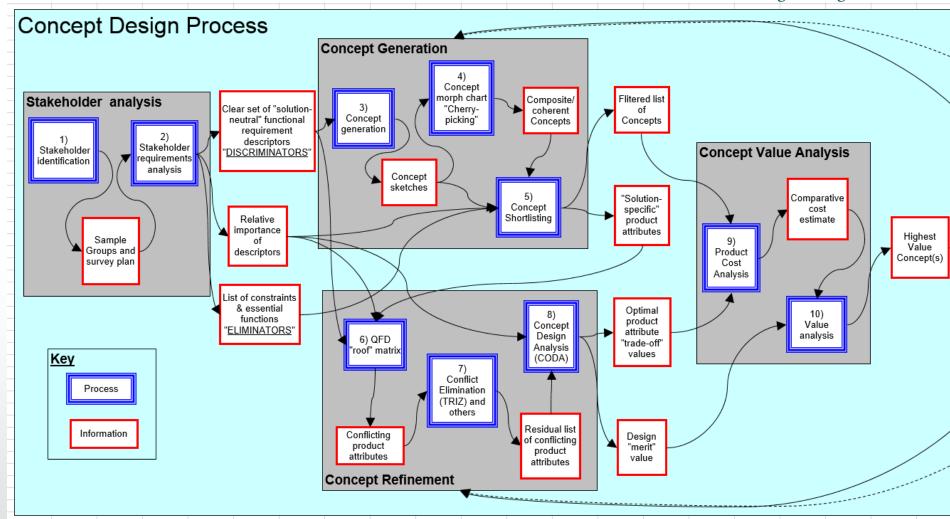
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Concept Generation

Roadmap

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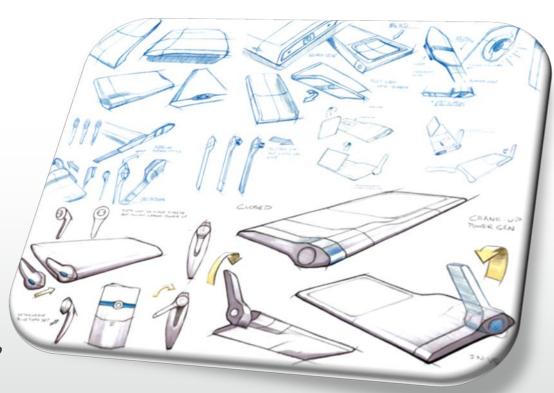




Early design phase

Where most innovation potential lies

- Where designer has most freedom
- Where critical decisions are made
- Creativity, lateral/ unconventional thinking, rule breaking, important



ULTRA (Unmanned, Low-cost

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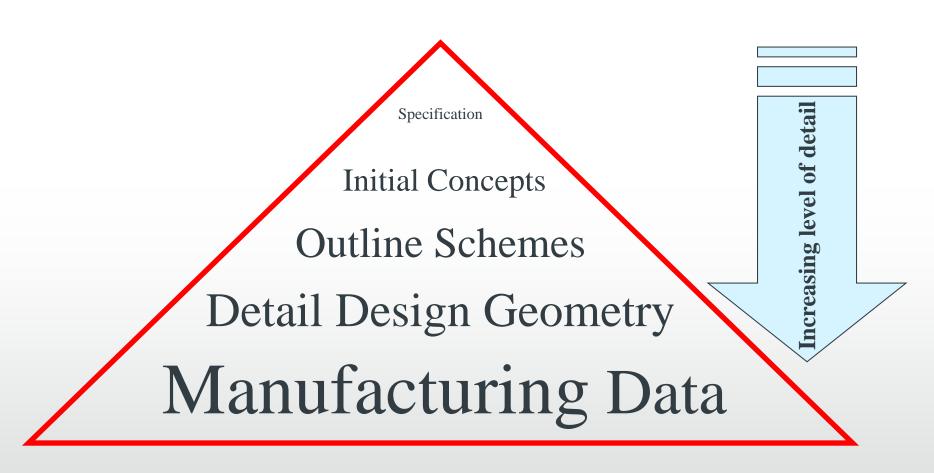
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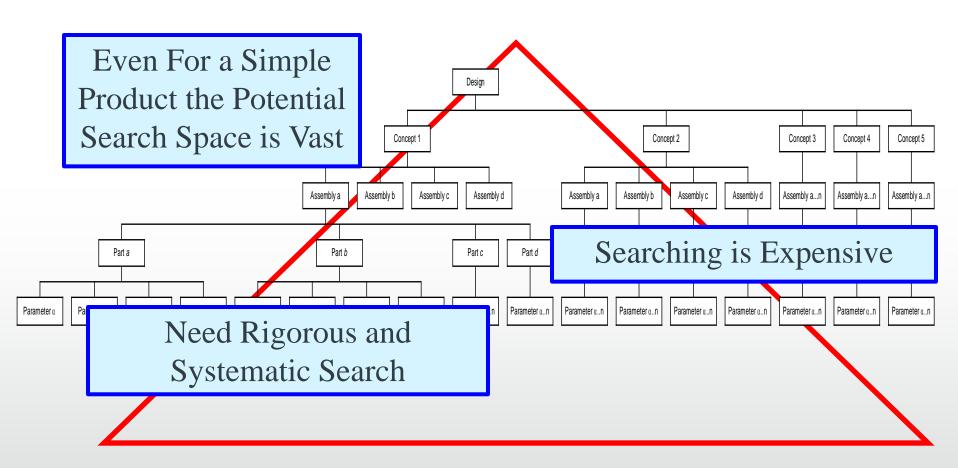


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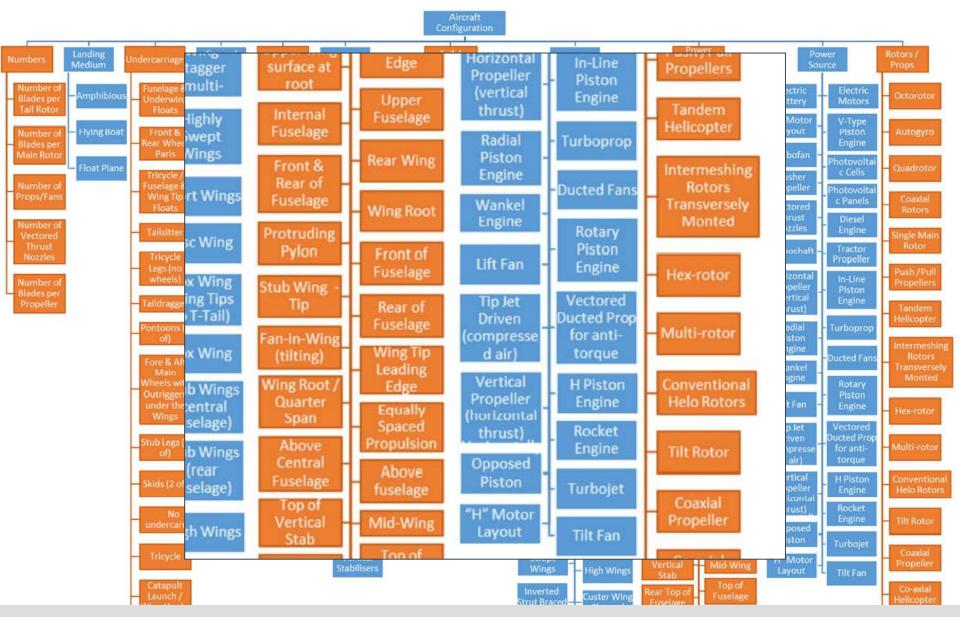
Search space



Aircraft Design Search Space

*MSc thesis "DEVELOPMENT OF A TAXONOMY OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT CONFIGURATIONS" Steve Mace







Design search space*

Component	Total Descriptors	Total Options			
Fuselage	7	12124			
Power	18	31176			
Lift	3237	5606484			
Thrust	27	46764			
Pitch	69	119508			
Roll	33	57156			
Yaw	66	114312			
Undercarriage	13	22516			

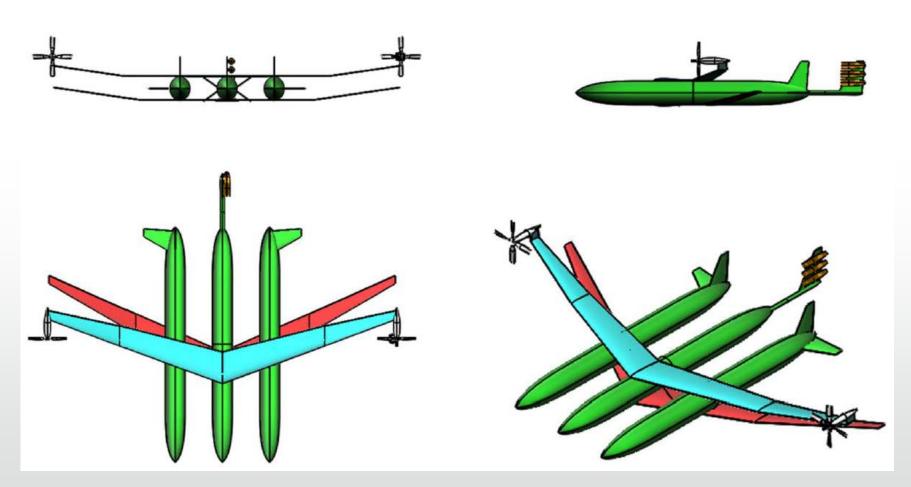
Table 31: Basic Total Possible Configurations

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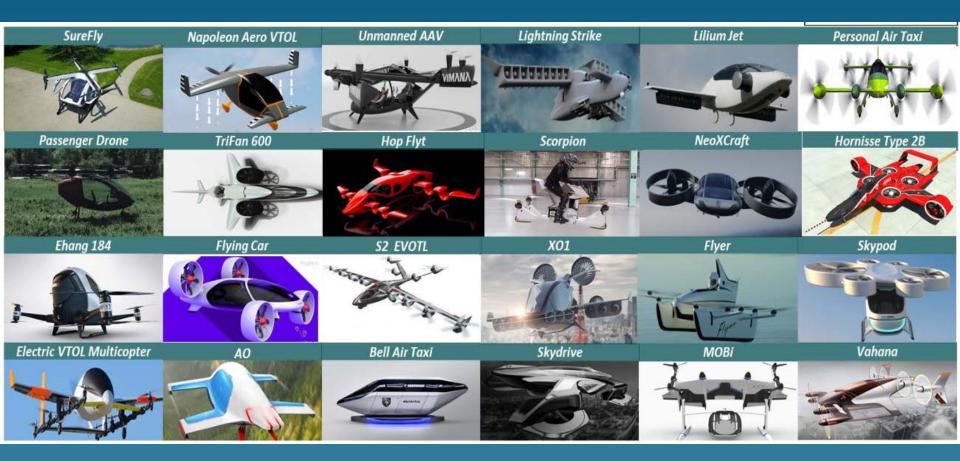


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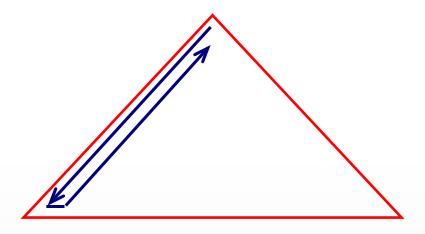
Urban Air Mobility



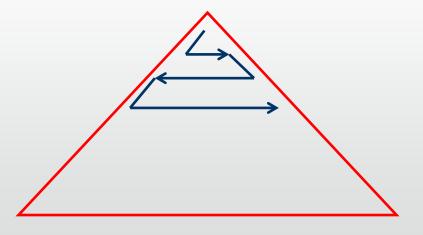


Search strategy

Depth first



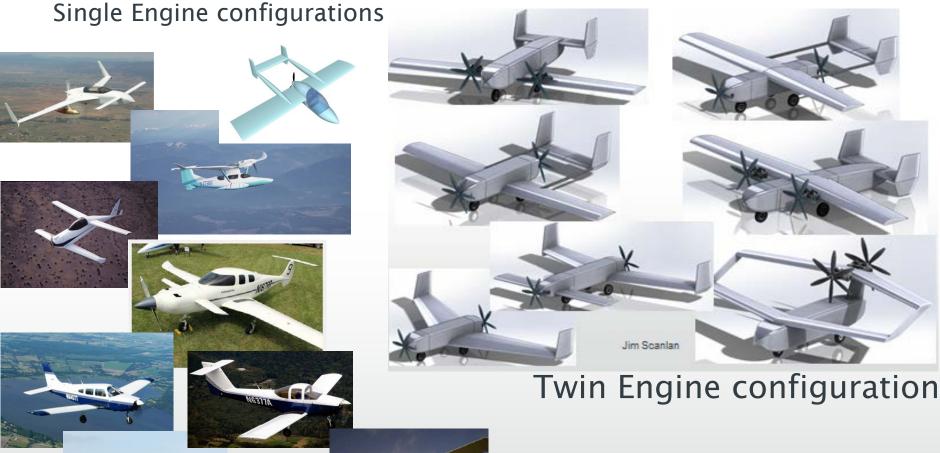
Breadth first



ULTRA Concepts (fixed wing,

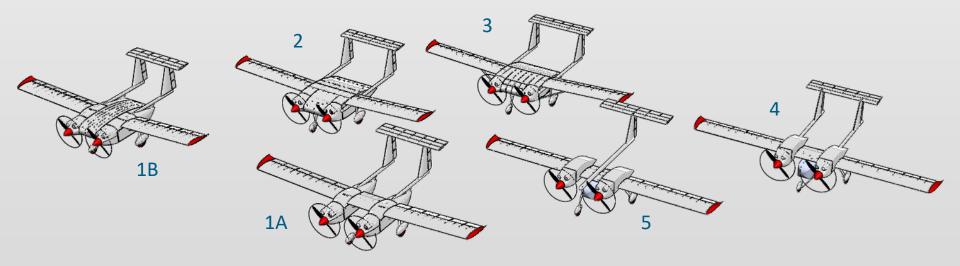
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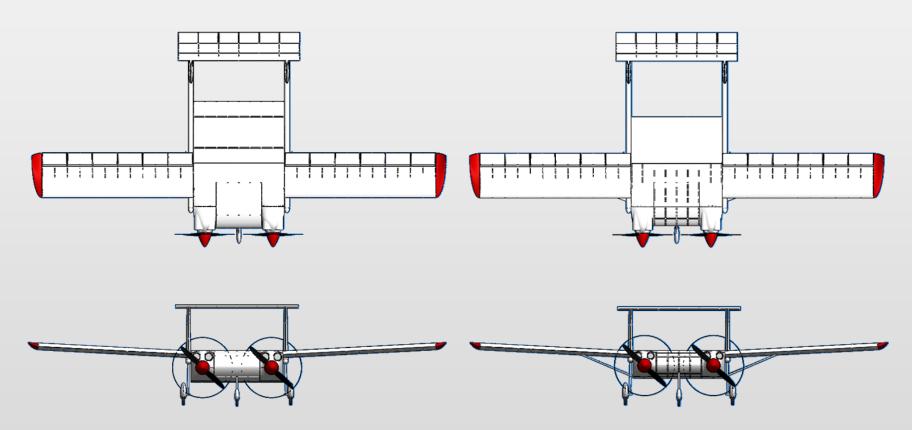


Concept selection (twin engine tractor)

concept number			acquisition cost		operator cost		engine out	hourly cost
1A (baseline)	256	256	£2.05	£6.10	£2.86	1	1	£18.52
1B	512	0	£2.15	£6.50	£2.86	1.1	1	£19.02
2	512	0	£2.11	£6.44	£2.57	1.15	1	£18.63
3	512	0	£2.13	£6.41	£2.57	1.15	1	£18.62
4	0	512	£1.98	£6.47	£2.71	1.1	1	£18.68
5	0	512	£1.96	£6.41	£2.71	1.2	0.95	£18.60



Cantilever or strut-braced Lifting body –

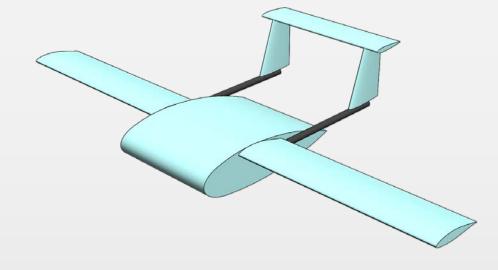


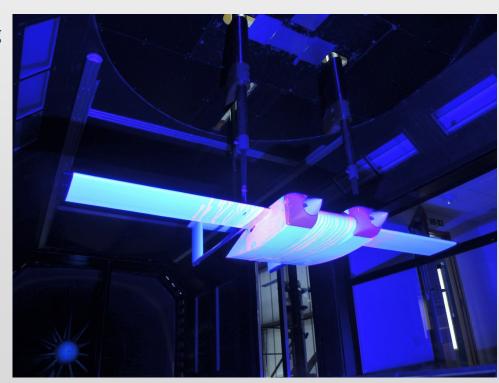
Wind tunnel model

- Flow around wing-body junction (visualisation). Experiment with fillets
- Lift/ drag. Modular centre section to allow comparison with conventional configuration
- Centre of pressure movement with angle of attack
- Impact of centre section on horizontal tail
- Optimum wing incidence with respect to lifting body
- Validation of CFD model

Aim to run in RJ Mitchell Tunnel (3.6 x 2.5 m working section, 40 m/s)

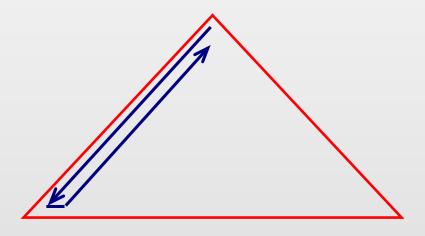
Flying scale model of value?



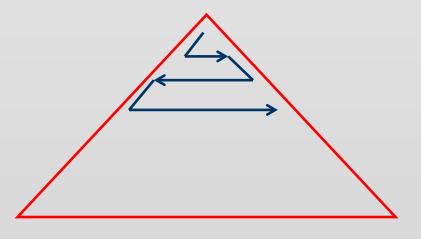


Search strategy

Depth first



• Breadth first





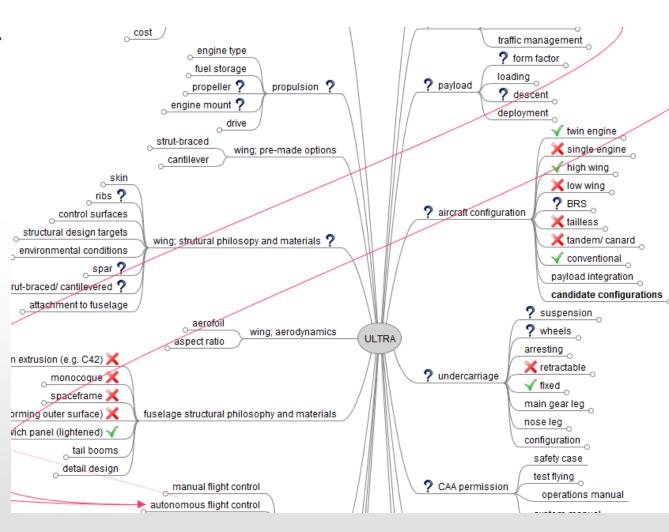
Design Rationale and decision trees

Why did you design it like that?

Decision trees

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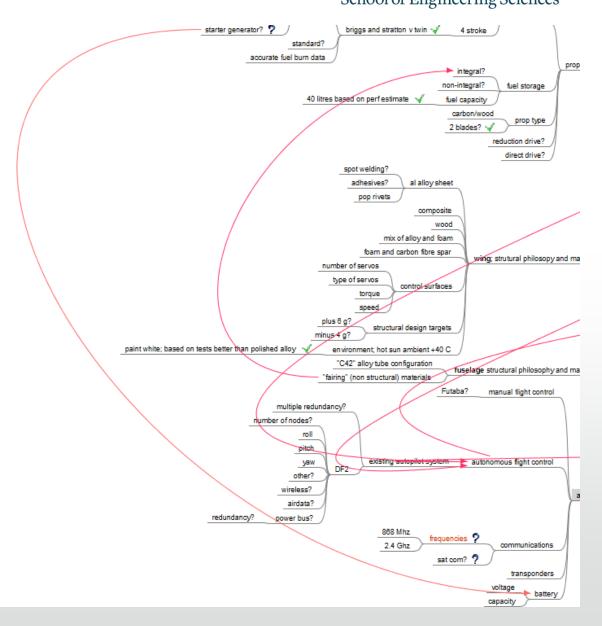
- Free mind software (Mindmup; multiuser capability)
- List decision options
- Annotate decisions;
 - ? Open decision,
 Cross eliminated,
 Tick option
 selected
- Advantages/ Notes etc
- Transclusion



Transclusion

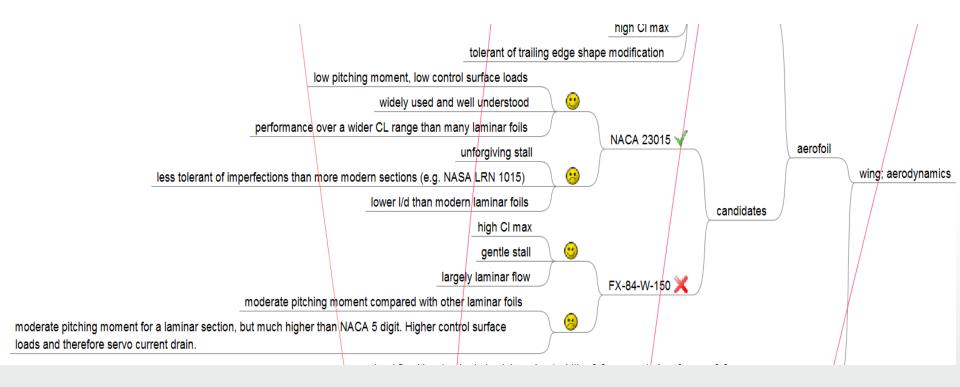
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- Connections between decisions
- Engine starter generator decision
- Battery decision



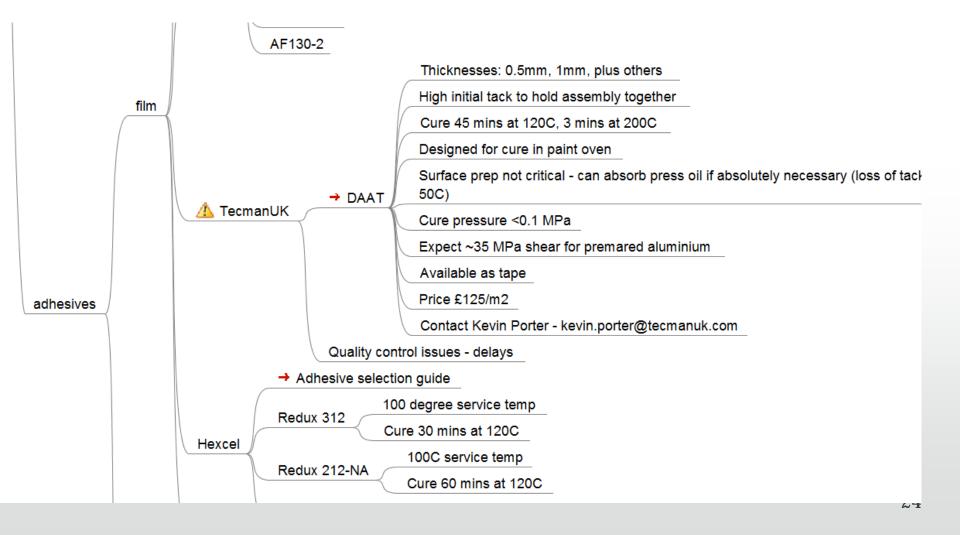


Rationale





Knowledge, external links

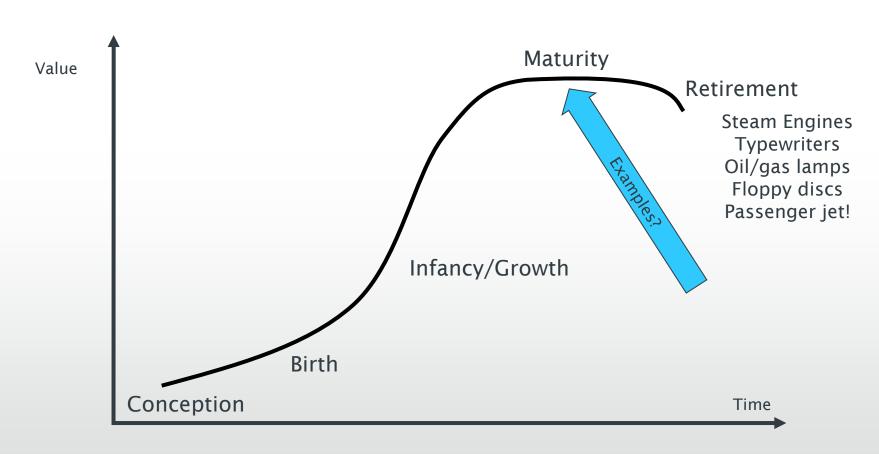




Conflicts and Design Evolution



Typical product life-cycle S-curve



Source; Darryl Mann http://function.creax.com/

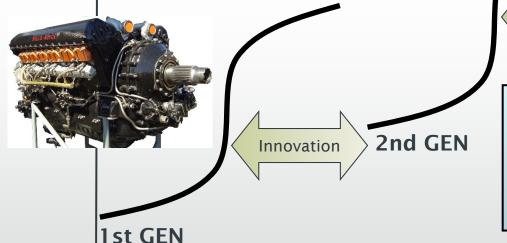
Product/Process Trending: S-

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Innovation

3rd GEN

Examples;

CRT vs Plasma/TFT monitors Steam Engines vs Diesel Engines Incandescent Bulb vs LEDS LP record vs Tape vs CDrom vs Digital



Perfect design

- Conflicts prevent perfect design solutions
- A designer should initially seek to eliminate conflicts through innovation
 - TRIZ (**T**eoriya **R**esheniya **I**zobretatelskikh **Z**adatch: The theory of solving inventor's problems)
- Unresolved conflicts lead to trade-offs and compromises

Breakthrough concept examples

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- Radar; use of cavity magnetron in microwave ovens (Percy Spencer, Raytheon); time vs volume
- Cyclone used in wood mills applied to vacuum cleaner (James Dyson) suction vs filtration
- Failed industrial adhesive used in stationery yellow "Post-it" notes (Dr Spencer Silver, 3M) stick vs reuse
- spring used in wind-up generator (Trevor Bayliss)

 Tensator portability vs endurance
- Semi-conductor laser used in data storage devices (CD/DVD) capacity vs reliability
- High strength magnetic fields led MRI scanners (Oxford Instruments) resolution vs safety
- Use of large prime numbers in data encryption security vs convenience
- Use of platinum catalyst in gas powered portable soldering irons convenience vs safety





Example: Aircraft gyroscopes



Mechanical Guidance Gyro (1950's) ~2 Kg ~40 W ~\$ 10000



Ring-laser Gyro (1960's) ~0.5 Kg ~5 W ~\$ 5000



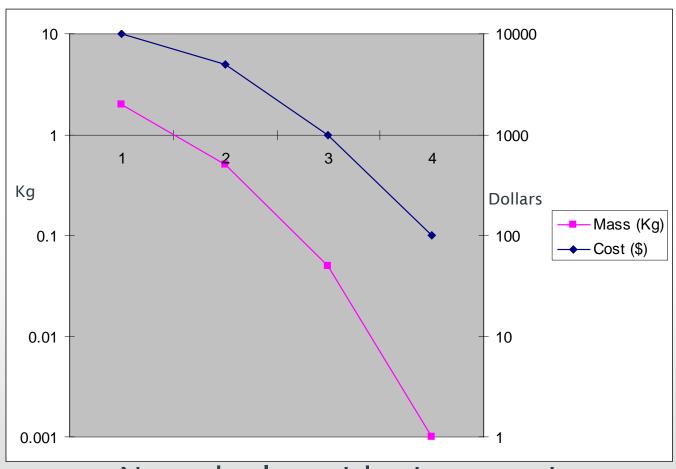
Fibre-optic Gyro (1980's) ~0.1 Kg ~1 W ~\$ 1000



MEMS Gyro (1990's) ~0.01 Kg ~.01 W ~\$ 100



Example: Aircraft gyroscopes



Note the logarithmic y-axes!



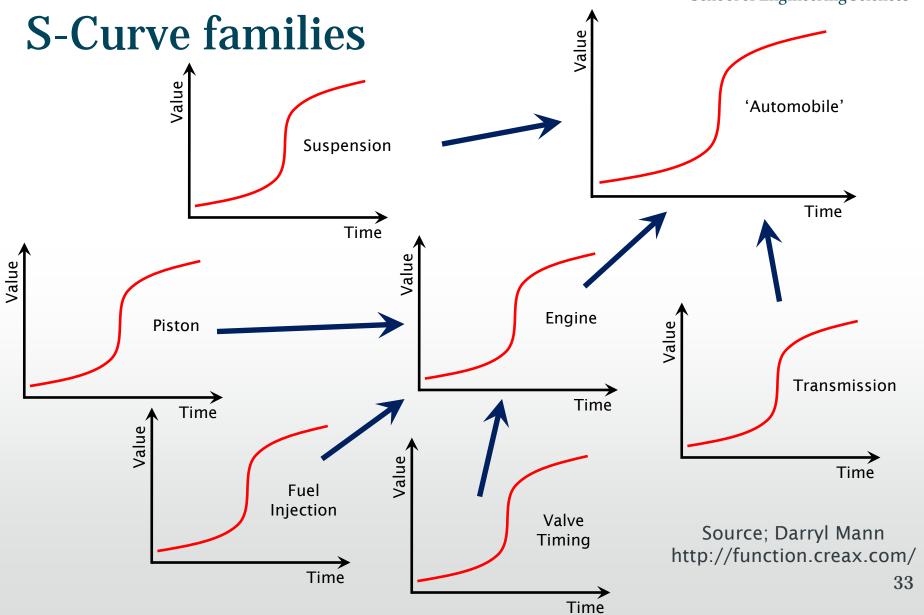
S-Curve families

- Every single component in the system has its own family of S-curves
- Every component's manufacturing process has its own family of S-curves
- At the lower hierarchy levels, it is more likely that the designer will design at the top right hand end of the family

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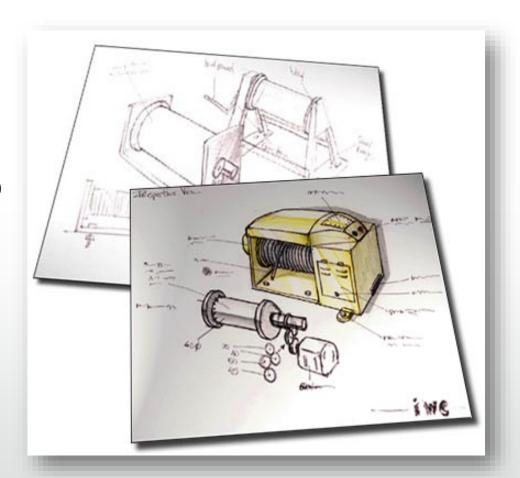


Techniques



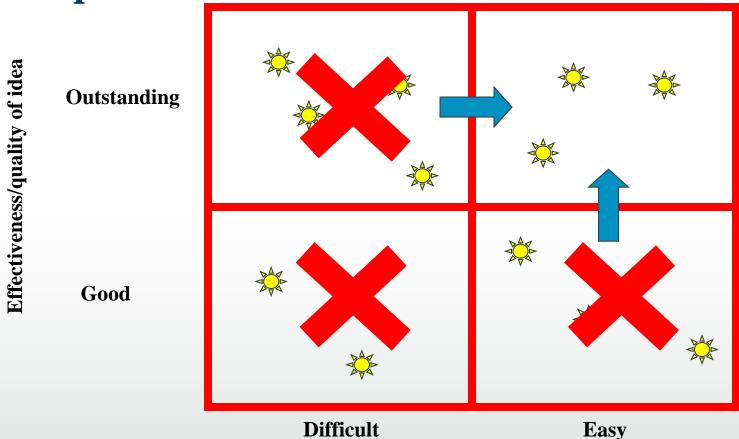
Concept generation

- Generate ideas and "cartoon" them one concept per page
- Use sketches and notes to illustrate key features of concepts





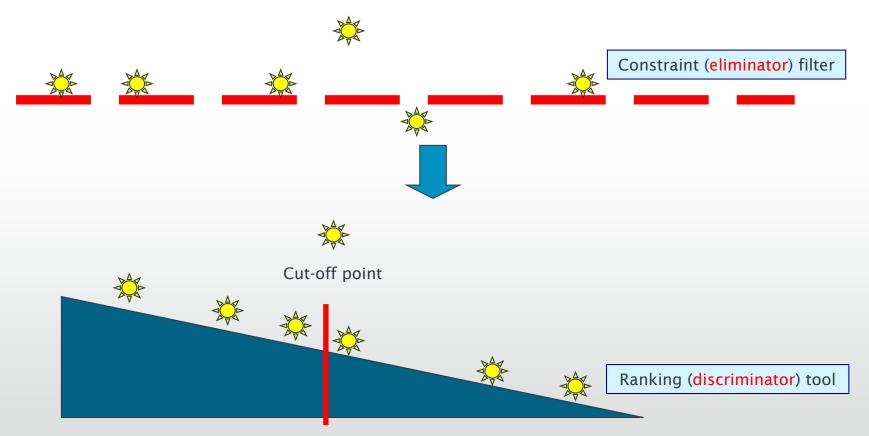
Concept classification



Degree of difficulty/risk/cost to implement



Concept selection (eliminators, Discriminators)



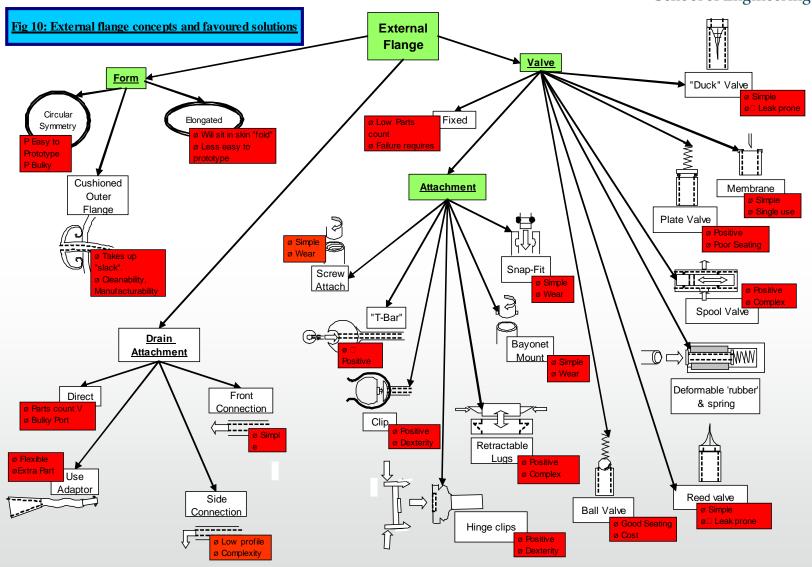


Using morphological charts to generate concepts[‡]

- A morphological chart is a table based on the function analysis.
- On the left side of the chart the functions are listed, while on the right side, different solutions which can be used to perform the functions listed are drawn.
- The idea generation is accomplished by creating single systems from different mechanisms illustrated in the morphological chart.

Morph Charts



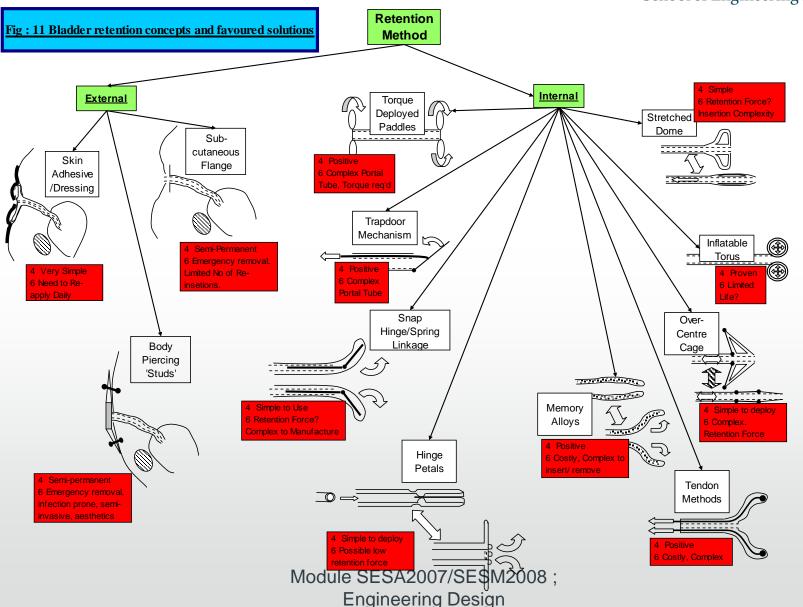


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Morph Charts





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Homework 2 Design Concept Selection



Background

• Continue working on the car jack project.

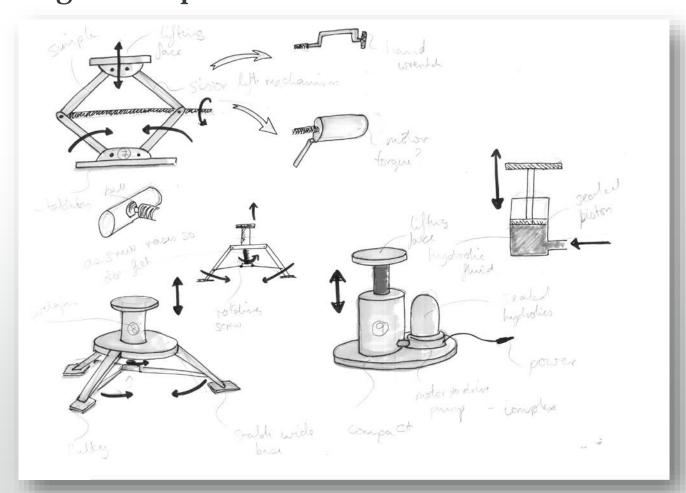




Objective

Select a design concept as a candidate to evaluate in further

detail.





Procedure

- The detail design phase of a project is expensive.
- In order to ensure that you invest effort in the right concept you need to
 - Generate a large range of candidate design concepts which adequately cover the scope of the design space
 - Document each concept as a distinct entity

Filter out concepts that clearly do not meet any hard constraints that you

have identified

Rank the remaining concepts

Select most highly ranked concept







JaguarSport XJ220







Techniques

An important consideration is the need to partition the concept analysis process:

- **Stage 1:** The objective of the first stage is to generate ideas. The success of this stage is measured in terms of the range, novelty and number of distinct ideas and concepts generated. This requires a constructive attitude/ mindset/ atmosphere.
- **Stage 2:** The second stage concerns selecting the best idea/concept in a structured and logical (auditable!) way. This needs critical appraisal and requires a judgemental and discriminative attitude/ mindset/ atmosphere.

In an industrial setting it is important to ensure that these two stages are divorced from each other as they are *not* complimentary activities. In many companies the two functions are undertaken by two separate parts of the organisation.