

Concurrent Design Facility (CDF)

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CDF-Concept

- Concurrent Design Facility (CDF) is an environment where engineers of different specialties come together to perform conceptual design for a satellite project.
- It is designed for the quick and efficient conceptual design of space systems ensuring consistent and high-quality results in a much shorter time.

CDF-Concept

In Which Phase....?

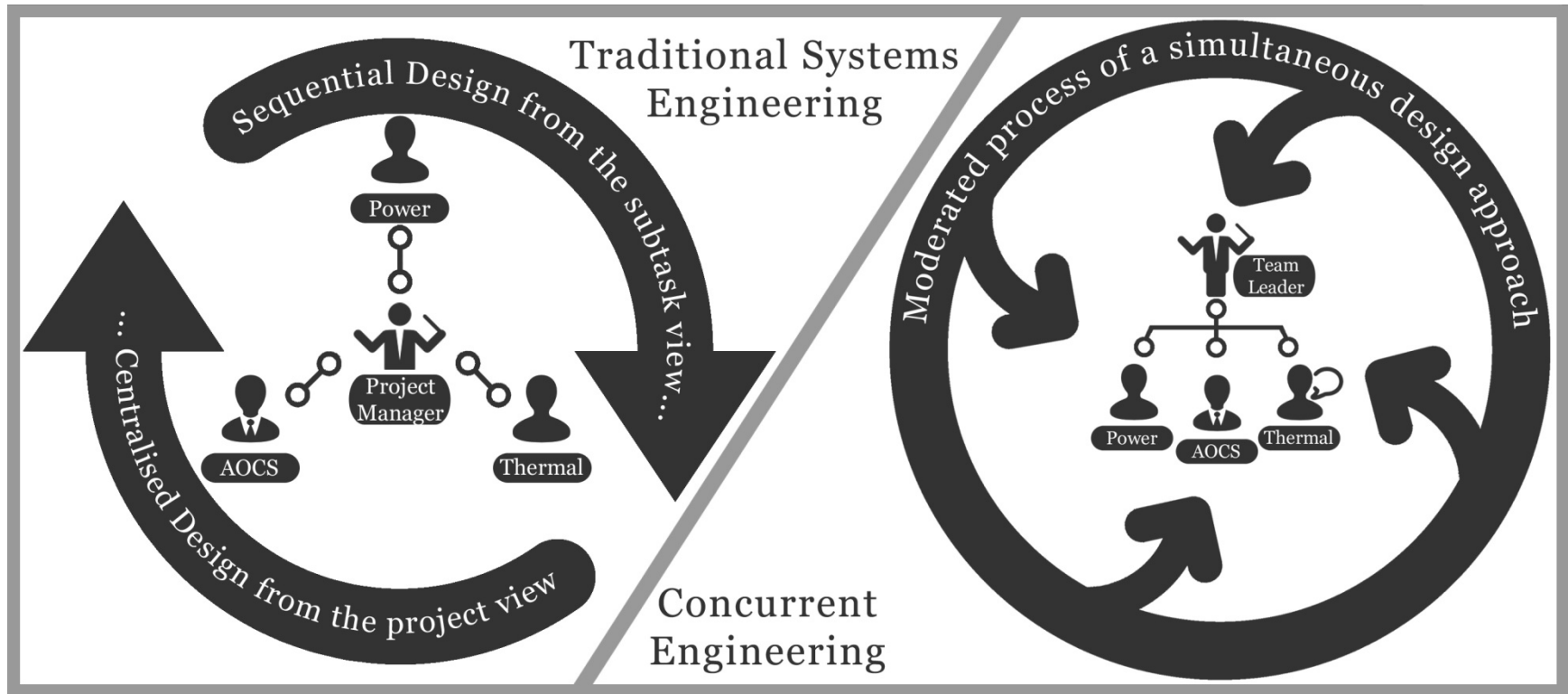
pre-phase A or Level-0 assessment studies

- assess the technical and financial feasibility of future space missions.

Providing?

- new mission concept assessment
- space system trade-offs and options evaluation
- new technology validation at system/mission level
- payload instrument conceptual design
- reviews of industrial phase A studies
- scientific requirements definition and consolidation
- education and training

CDF Vs. Traditional System Engineering



CDF- which Agencies are using it...?

- ESA
 - Concurrent Design Facility (CDF) at European Space Research and Technology Centre (ESTEC) (1998)
- NASA
 - Collaborative Modeling for Parametric Assessment of Space Systems (COMPASS) (unofficially in 2000)
 - Concurrent Mission and Systems Design at NASA Glenn Research Center (officially 2006)
- Agenzia Spaziale Italiana (ASI)
- Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales (CNES)
- JAXA - Mission Design Center
- German Aerospace Center (DLR) - Concurrent Engineering Facility
- Egyptian Space Program (ESP) – Concurrent Design Center (2012)

CDF-Team

- Prof. Yousry El-Nahas (ESP Chairman)
- Eng. Osama El-Sayed (Team Leader)
- Eng. Yousry Solaiman (Network Engineer)
- Eng. Mohamed El-Hady (Software Engineer)

CDF - Elements

- **The Facility:**

- The room itself.
- IT and communications hardware.
- the specialist space mission design software that enable engineers to design individual elements of a complex mission.

- **The Software:**

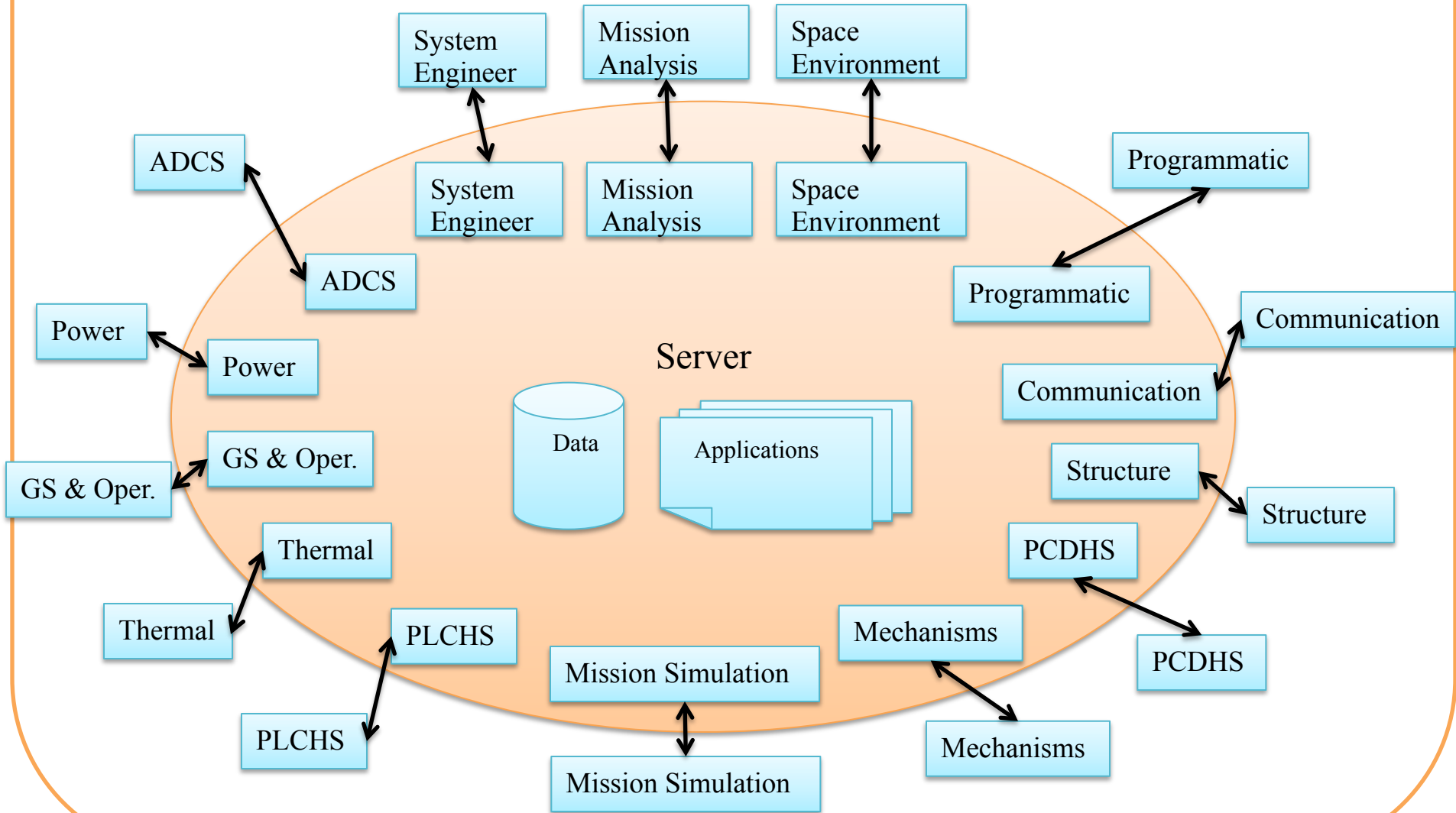
Is the design database software which automatically links the design of the individual elements of a mission into a coherent system (MS Excel)

- **The Methodology:**

The process for efficiently coordinating the design activities of Engineers in a concurrent design environment.

These three elements of the CDF enable a space concepts to be quickly and efficiently evaluated from technical, financial and programmatic points-of-view

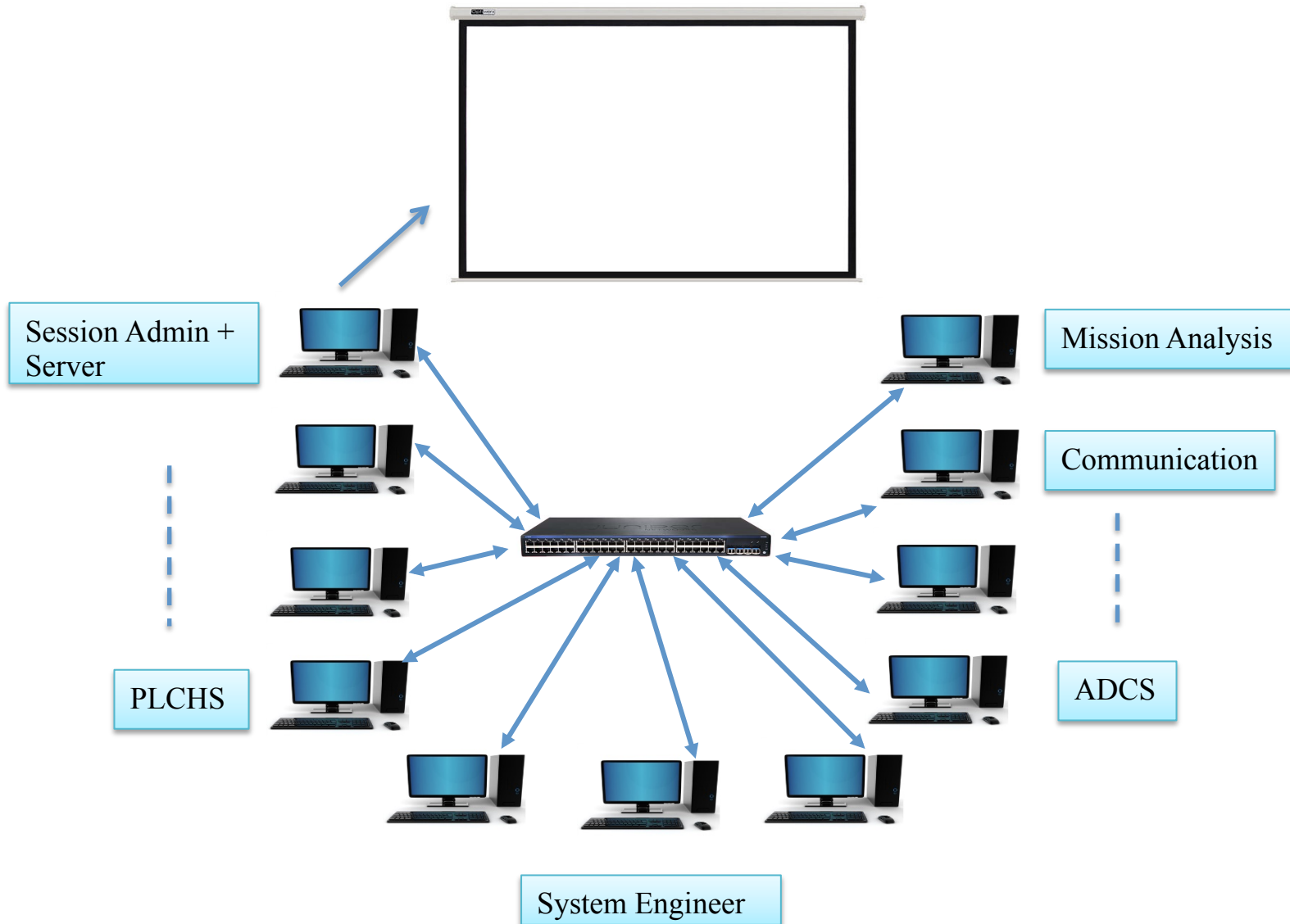
CDF- Architecture



CDF- Equipment

- The CDF room contains 13 desktops, 2 Workstations and 1 server.
- Each subsystem is capable of showing its data on the screen and the session administrator can switch between various subsystems.
- There is 1 projector.

CDF- Layout



CDF- Software

- Software is a set of Excel macros and visual basic codes.
 - included interaction between various software packages to improve productivity during sessions.
- The system is capable of interfacing with STK, MATLAB and CAD software packages.
- The software allows to introduce many parameters for the system and summarize necessary data for the most important trades.
- requirements tracking. All requirements are entered to database via a specialized interface on an Excel sheet.
- The interface allows to initiate, edit, confirm or validate requirements. User level access is controlled, hence subsystem engineers only have access to requirements from their subsystem.

CDF- Tools

- One of the problems in concurrent design is to back track to a particular decision point, or understand why a particular decision was taken.
 - A simple version control system is implemented.
- To allow efficient exchange of parameters and modification of designs during session.
 - subsystem sheets are linked directly with engineering tools used at the CDF.
 - Structures Subsystem → CAD Tool
 - Mission Analysis, Power and Telecommunications subsystems → STK
 - Mission Analysis → MATLAB
 - Some specific models are being implemented in MATLAB and data are being exchanged by means of an Text file.

CDF-GUI

The image shows a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet with a dark blue starry background. The title 'Design Facility Interface' is in a blue oval at the top left. Below it are four panels, each with a title and a grid of buttons:

- Microsoft Excel** (green buttons):
 - Consolidate Results
 - Reports
 - Send Parameters
 - Get Parameters
 - View Tree
 - Simulate
 - Export
 - Import
- MatLab** (dark red buttons):
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 - Reports
 - Import
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 - Simulate
 - Export
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- STK** (purple buttons):
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 - Reports
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 - Simulate
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- CAD** (dark blue buttons):
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 - Reports
 - Import
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 - View Model
 - Simulate
 - Export
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CDF-GUI-MATLAB

- Import Data
 - Text file (.txt) → MATLAB workspace
- Export Data
 - MATLAB workspace → Text format (.txt)
- Simulate
 - Import MATLAB file (.m) and run this file

CDF-Sheet Example

MissionAnalysis - Copy (2).xslm - Mic

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PivotTable Table Picture Clip Art Shapes SmartArt Screenshot Column Line Pie Bar Area Scatter Other Charts Line Column Win/ Sparklines

Tables Illustrations Charts

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	A	B	C	D	E	F
	Source	INP/OUT	Destination	Name	Value	Unit
1	ST	INP	MA	Mass		kg
2	SYS	INP	MA	Panchromatic Ground Sampling Distance		m
3	SYS	INP	MA	Revisit Time		days
4	PL	INP	MA	Number of CCD Pixels Panchromatic		-
5	PL	INP	MA	Number of CCD Pixels Multispectral		-
6	SYS	INP	MA	Optimum Operation Time		*Life time
7	SYS	INP	MA	Minimum Altitude		Km
8	SYS	INP	MA	Maximum Altitude		Km
9	SYS	INP	MA	Minimum Roll Angle		deg
10	SYS	INP	MA	Injection Error In Altitude		Km
11	SYS	INP	MA	Life Time		year
12	SYS	INP	MA	Injection Year		year
13	SYS	INP	MA	Minimum Latitude		deg
14	SYS	INP	MA	Maximum Latitude		deg
15	SYS	INP	MA	Injection Month		Month
16	SYS	INP	MA	Multispectral Ground Sampling Distance		m
17	SYS	INP	MA	Minimum Sun Elevation Angle		deg
18	SYS	INP	MA	Maximum Sun Elevation Angle		deg
19	ST	INP	MA	Cross Section Area		m ²
20	SYS	INP	MA	Injection Error In Inclination		deg
21	SYS	INP	MA	Camera Half Field of View		deg
22	SYS	INP	MA	Imaging at Descending or Ascending		0 Ascending/1 Descending
23	SYS	INP	MA	Imaging at After or Befor Noon		0 Befor/1 After
24	SYS	INP	MA	Injection Error In RAAN		deg
25	SYS	INP	MA	Drag Coefficient		
26	SYS	INP	MA	Inclination Decay		Deg/Year
27	SYS	INP	MA	Equatorial Earth Radius		Km
28	SYS	INP	MA	Sun Synchrons Constant.		Deg/day
29	SYS	INP	MA	Mean Earth Radius		Km
30	SYS	INP	MA	μ		Km ³ /Sec ²
31	SYS	INP	MA	ϵ		Km ⁵ /Sec ²
32	SYS	INP	MA	Minimum Earth Radius		Km
33	PL	INP	MA	Effective Focal length		m
34	PL	INP	MA	CCD Pixel Pitch Panchromatic		micrometer
35	PL	INP	MA	CCD Pixel Pitch Multispectral		micrometer
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GU1 Input Output Album Of Drawing Analysis Analysis_Low Inclination

CDF-Validation

Admin.xlsm - Microsoft Excel

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Clipboard Font Alignment Number Styles

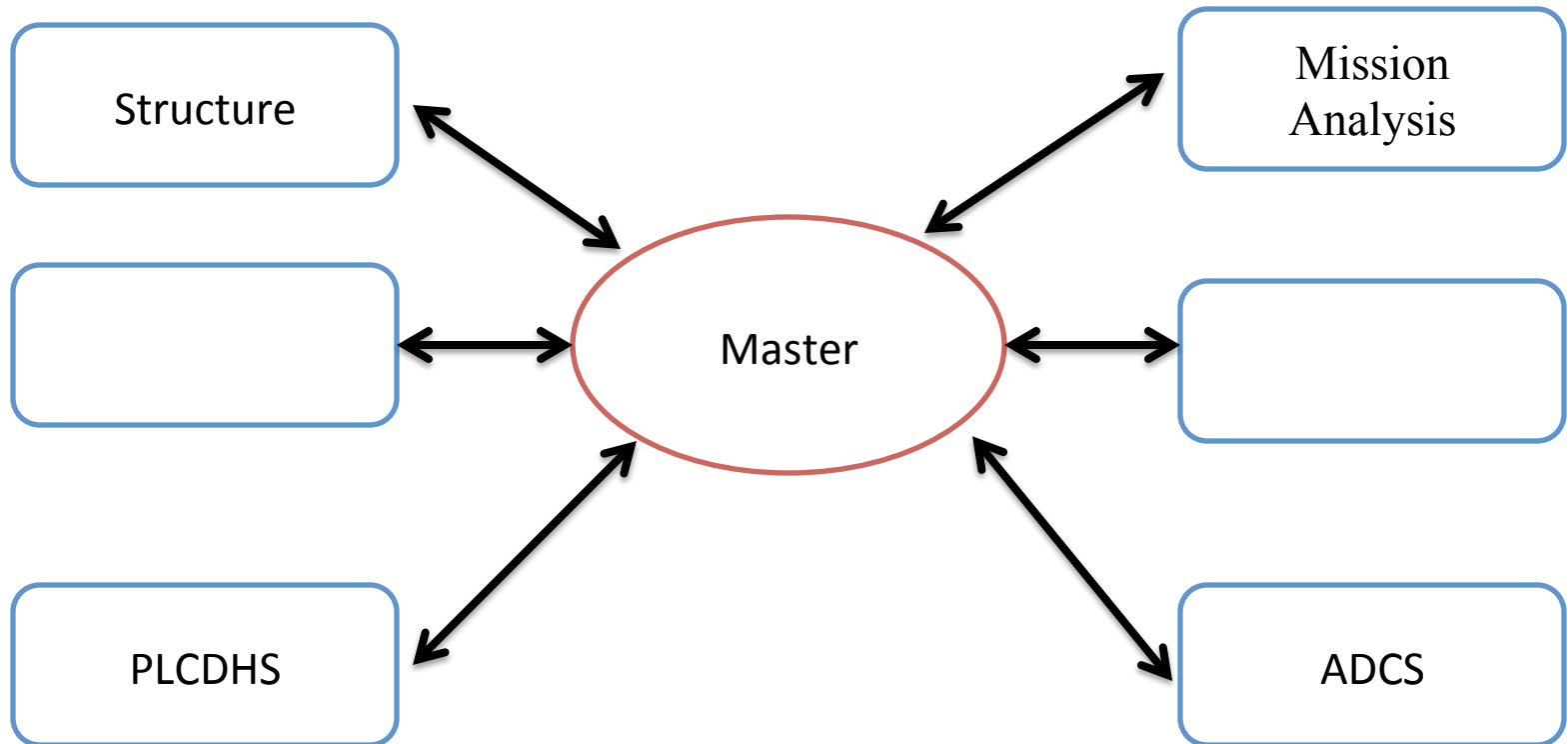
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Good Neutral Calculation Check Cell Explanatory ...

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
1	Source	Type	Distention	Parameter	Current_Value		Previous_Value	Unit	Relation	Decision_Value	Threshold				
2	ST	INP	MA,TH,External	LSP,SDM	Mass			kg	Shared						
3	SYS	INP	MA,PL	Panchromatic Ground Sampling Distance				m	Not Shared						
4	SYS	INP	MA,SENV,MCC	Revisit Time				days							
5	PL	INP	MA	Number of CCD Pixels Panchromatic				-	Shared						
6	PL	INP	MA	Number of CCD Pixels Multispectral				-							
7	SYS	INP	MA	Optimum Operation Time				*Life time							Update Current
8	SYS	INP	MA,External / LSP	Minimum Altitude	600		634	Km	Shared	600	630				
9	SYS	INP	MA,External / LSP	Maximum Altitude				Km							
10	SYS	INP	MA,PS	Minimum Roll Angle	50		34	deg	Shared	34	35				
11	SYS	INP	MA	Injection Error In Altitude				Km							
12	SYS	INP	MA,TH,TTC_S,TTC_GPS,TTC_S_Ant,TTC_X	Life Time				year							Re-send Previous
13	SYS	INP	MA,External / LSP	Injection Year				year	Not Shared						
14	SYS	INP	MA	Minimum Latitude				deg							
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16	SYS	INP	MA,External / LSP	Injection Month				Month	Shared						
17	SYS	INP	MA	Multispectral Ground Sampling Distance				m							
18	SYS	INP	MA	Minimum Sun Elevation Angle				deg							
19	SYS	INP	MA	Maximum Sun Elevation Angle				deg							Get Best Decision
20	ST	INP	MA	Cross Section Area				m ²							

CDF-Archive



CDF-Archive

Master.xlsx - Microsoft Excel

Table-Tools Design

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Clipboard Font Alignment Number Styles Cells

Source Group

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
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32	MA	OUT		Type of Orbit	-								
33	MA	OUT		Draconic Period of Revolution	sec								
34	MA	OUT		Orbit Altitude	Km								
35	MA	OUT		Semimajor Axis	Km								
36	MA	OUT		Semiminor Axis	Km								
37	MA	OUT		Orbit Inclination	deg								
38	MA	OUT		Right Ascension of Ascending Node	deg								
39	MA	OUT		Argument of Perigee	deg								
40	MA	OUT		Eccentricity	-								
41	MA	OUT		Nadir Revisit Time	Days								
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MA SYS AOC PCDHS SENV PS TH PL ST SIM MCC GCS DRS MEC System Reliability LSP Power Budget Commands Budget Mass Budget Inertia Budget Frequency Budget All_Input All_Output Previous_11

CDF - Benefit

Study Quality

The systematic approach to the design process helps ensure that the results are of a consistently high standard.

Efficiency

ESA and other CDF operators report a reduction in assessment study costs by a factor of two and elapsed time by a factor of four.

Reduced Risk

Examining the entire system at an early stage helps avoid surprises in the implementation phase of the project.

Promote Collaboration

Teams of engineers from different organizations and countries are able to start work together on real projects quickly, build collaborations and profit from each other's strengths.

Stimulating Innovation

New ideas and concepts can be refined, elaborated and assessed from scientific, technical and business points-of-view and take them to the next level of maturity.

Q & A

Thank you for your attention