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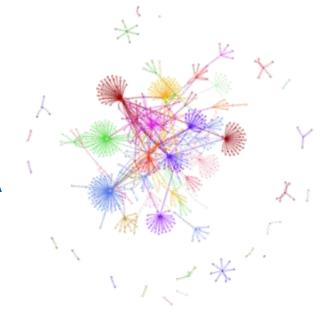
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#### Data: Transformation to a Data Driven Digital Air Force Focus

# AFITC 2019 Data Driven Business and Logistics Mission Resilience: PEO BES Interoperability Analysis

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# Data Driven Business and Logistics Mission Resilience: Synopsis

- The AF's collection of information systems reflects the complexity and pace of the AF mission.
- Agile software engineering approaches help meet the need to be responsive with solutions, but what tools specifically aid in the comprehension of the AF's vital patterns of information dissemination?
- Data about the applications leads to an understanding of mission resilience and cyber vulnerability when complexity science, graph theory, and emergent methods are applied.
- This AFITC presentation provides a learning opportunity for applying science, theory, and method to contend with system-of-systems qualities that traditional software design and operation do not.

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# **Overview**

#### Comprehending Information Dissemination in the Air Force

- Creating a Digital Air Force
- Comprehending Information Dissemination in the Air Force: Documentation and Reality

#### Data Driven Digital Air Force: Where to Look for Tools

- Complicated or Complex?
- Graph Theoretics
- Emergent Methods
- Creating a Digital Tipping Point
  - Six Management Questions to Answer
  - Five Ways to Apply a Better Understanding
- Example cases from PEO BES Interoperability Analysis
  - Metrics and Comparisons for Centrality and Resilience
  - BES Command and Control
  - Disparate Data and Cosine Similarity
- Summary
- Question and Answer





# **Creating a Digital Air Force**

"Data will power next-generation combat, so the Air Force must control and manipulate massive volumes of information to out-think and out-maneuver its opponents. The "Digital Air Force" initiative will ensure all Airmen have uninterrupted access to the data they need, where and when they need it."

Sharpening the Air Force's Competitive Edge

A Business Operations Plan

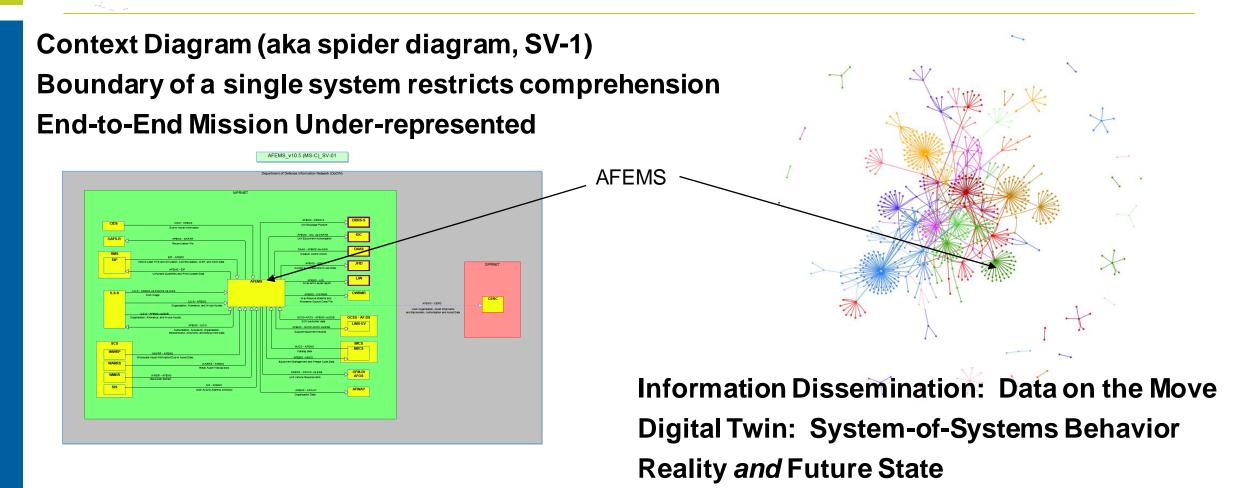
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#### Managing a Digital Air Force: Looking for Tools

- Information Dissemination: Data on the Move
- Digital Twin: System-of-Systems Behavior

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# Comprehending Information Dissemination in the Air Force: Documentation and Reality



Where are the vital patterns of information dissemination? A view we need to appreciate with tools and methods.





# Data Driven Digital Air Force: Where to Look for Tools

- Complicated or Complex?
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# Complicated or Complex? Systems of Systems





- Is the system in question complicated or complex?
  - Heterogeneity, adaptation/learning, many interconnections...?

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Slide adapted from: Koehler, Holdener, Norman, Pitsko, and Turner, Complex Adaptive Systems - Conceptualizing the Problem, 2013.



# Graph Theoretics: A Basis for Measurement

"In mathematics, graph theory is the study of graphs, which are mathematical structures used to model pairwise relations between objects. A graph in this context is made up of vertices (also called nodes or points) which are connected by edges (also called links or lines)."

#### https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Graph\_theory

"In graph theory, <u>betweenness centrality</u> is a measure of centrality in a graph based on shortest paths. For every pair of vertices in a connected graph, there exists at least one shortest path between the vertices .... The betweenness centrality for each vertex is the number of these shortest paths that pass through the vertex."

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Betweenness\_centrality

Graph Theory supplies measures of information dissemination that allow gauging a given system's importance in its ecosystem and the resilience of the ecosystem.

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# **Emergent Methods: Template for Iteration**

- Sprint Template Concept is cross between Agile Software Development practice, scientific experiment journal, Model-based System Engineering
  - Key to Emergent Methods: You start somewhere (Charmaz, 2008; Epstein 2006)
- Documents journey of questioning through refinements of models
  - Reproducible and open science (Arribas-Bel et al, 2017)
  - Designed to adapt to OODA Loops
- Templating ensures that sprint results are adequately captured, described, evaluated, and reproducible, a significant first step in creating a repeatable process.



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# Creating a Digital Tipping Point: Connecting Method with Management and Decision Making

#### Examples of Connecting Method and Situations

- Through Questioning: Six Often-Asked IT Management Questions
- Through Analysis Category: Five Ways to Apply a Better Understanding

#### -Lofty Goal 1-Create a cadre of decision makers armed with digital, decision-making tools.

-Lofty Goal 2-Link to existing implementations and existing data sources. Architect for sensing.





# Six Often-Asked IT Management Questions: Opportunities for Application

- What IT assets should have the most, and which, cyber protections?
- What spread of applications across hosting and service providers protects key operations?
- How does a PM intercept or predict incidents before they impact mission?
- What is the health of the Digital Air Force right now? Are we ready?
- How does a PM roll out which software features or components when?
- How to combine or separate system features for efficient and effective IT solutions?

Analysis suited to the complexity of a system of systems fed by actual systems data





- Analyze and Compare. Models for analytical and comparative purposes
  - E.g., cloud migration and ERP strategies for SAF/MG, PEO BES, other PEOs
- Enterprise Data. Models for enterprise data exploitation
  - E.g., indicate and prioritize enterprise data for CDO, PEO contributing data pilots
- Cyber Resilience. Trade-off analysis in cyber scenarios
  - E.g., system vulnerability leads to mission vulnerability for A-4, A-1, etc.
- IT Command and Control. System-of-Systems Operation and Management
  - "digital twin"-- a dynamic and virtual model that behaves like the real thing because it is fed a lot of sensor data from the real thing for PEOs, mission owners, and operators
- Enterprise IT Investment
  - E.g., match funding levels with characteristics of system performance for good stewardship

#### Investment decisions driven by analysis fed by actual systems data



# **Example cases from PEO BES Interoperability Analysis**

- Metrics and Comparisons for Centrality and Resilience
- BES Command and Control
- Disparate Data and Cosine Similarity

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# **Spec Sheet**

# PEO BES Interoperability Analysis with Graph Theory: Metrics and Comparisons for Centrality and Resilience

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#### **Current Features**

Graph of BES and its partner systems Cluster by color and centrality by node size Zoom with system acronyms and ID summaries Click and drag motion reflects connectedness

#### **Data Source**

BES Operational Baseline - Database (BOB-DB) 649 Systems/Subsystems 760 Interfaces **Software** Chrome Neo4j Database Java Script

# **Spec Sheet**

# PEO BES Interoperability Analysis with Graph Theory: BES Command and Control

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#### **Current Features**

Graph of BES and its partner systems Zoom with system acronyms and ID summaries Time series data of system incidents, color coded Animation of incidents in time series Pause of animation for risk assessment GUI for status data import

#### **Data Source**

BES Operational Baseline - Database (BOB-DB) BES Daily Incident Management Spreadsheet 649 Systems/Subsystems 760 Interfaces 156 Days of Status Data

### **Software** MATLAB Neo4j Database Excel

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Digital Twin Concept Model

# **Spec Sheet**

# PEO BES Interoperability Analysis with Graph Theory: Disparate Data and Cosine Similarity

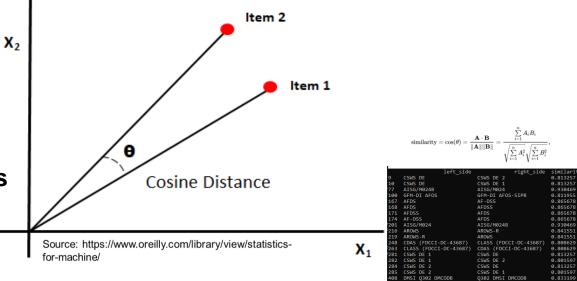
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### **Current Features**

Cosine similarity of acronyms from two sources Listing of cosine similarity measures

#### Cosine Distance/Similarity



#### **Data Source**

BES Operational Baseline - Database (BOB-DB) 2019 BES Reference Guide 649 Systems/Subsystems 760 Interfaces

#### Software

Python

- Textract
- Sparse\_dot\_topn
- Neo4j Database



# **Summary**

#### Managing a Digital Air Force

- Information Dissemination: Data on the Move
- Digital Twin: System-of-Systems Behavior
- Characterizing and Measuring the Ecosystem: Reporting >>> Sensing

#### Where to Look for Tools

- Complexity Sciences
- Graph Theory
- Generative Methods

#### Contend with System-of-Systems Qualities that Traditional Software Design and Operation Do Not

#### -Lofty Goal 1-Create a cadre of decision makers armed with digital, decision-making tools.

-Lofty Goal 2-Link to existing implementations and existing data sources. Architect for sensing.

#### Impact --- Change what is and measure it

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# **Q & A**

*"Imagine how hard physics would be if electrons could think"* Murray Gell-Mann

"You can't manage what you don't measure." Debatable advice? ... Just Google this quote Peter Drucker

"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 (maybe) https://quoteinvestigator.com/2018/11/18/know-trouble/

"Anything can be measured. If something can be observed in any way at all, it lends itself to some type of measurement method."

Douglas W. Hubbard

Managing what you don't understand is really hard



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