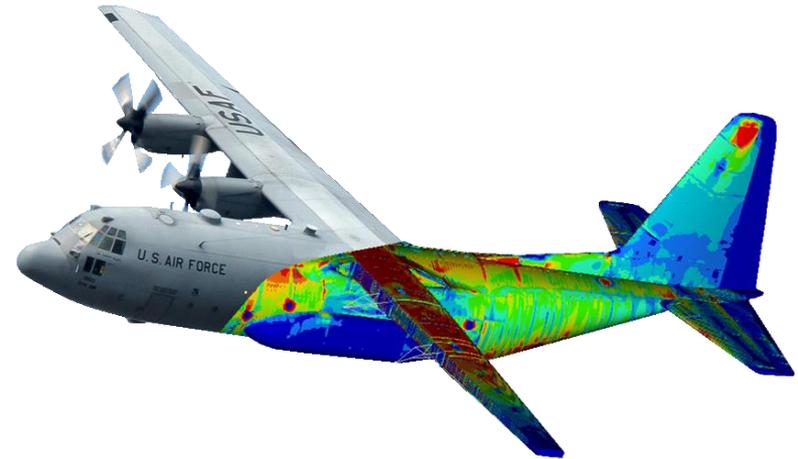


AF Life Cycle Management Center



Aging Aircraft Health Monitoring for Condition Based Maintenance

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Agenda



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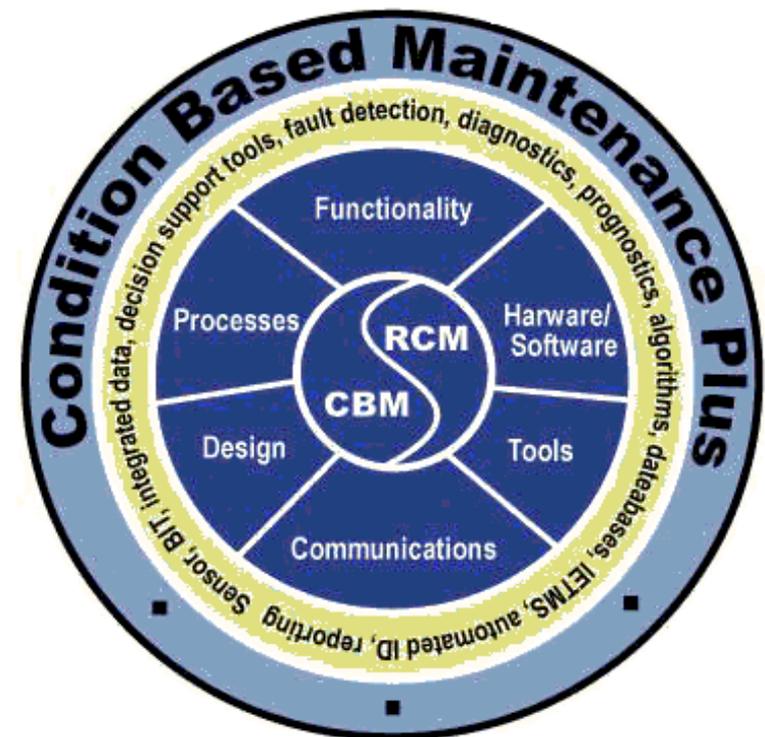
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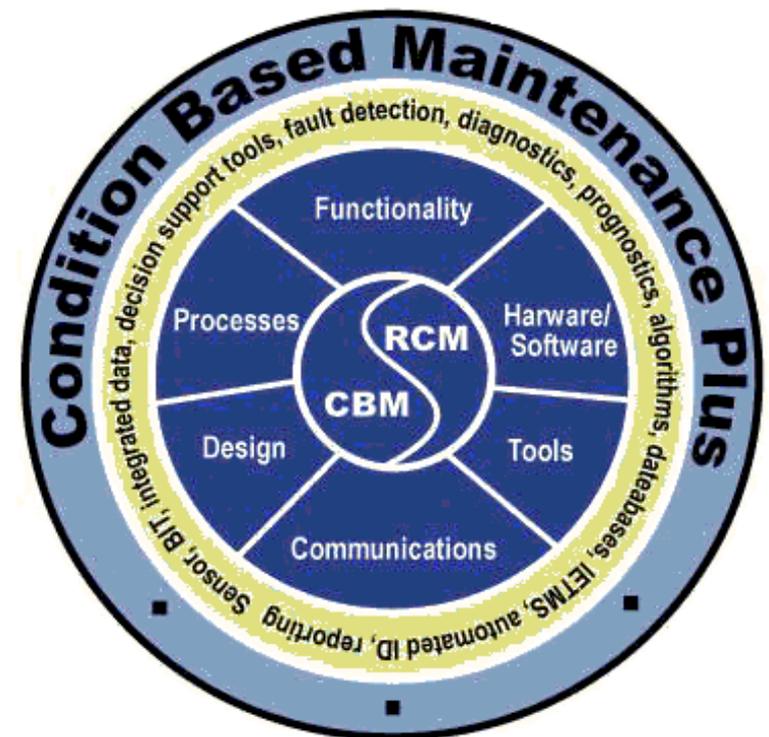
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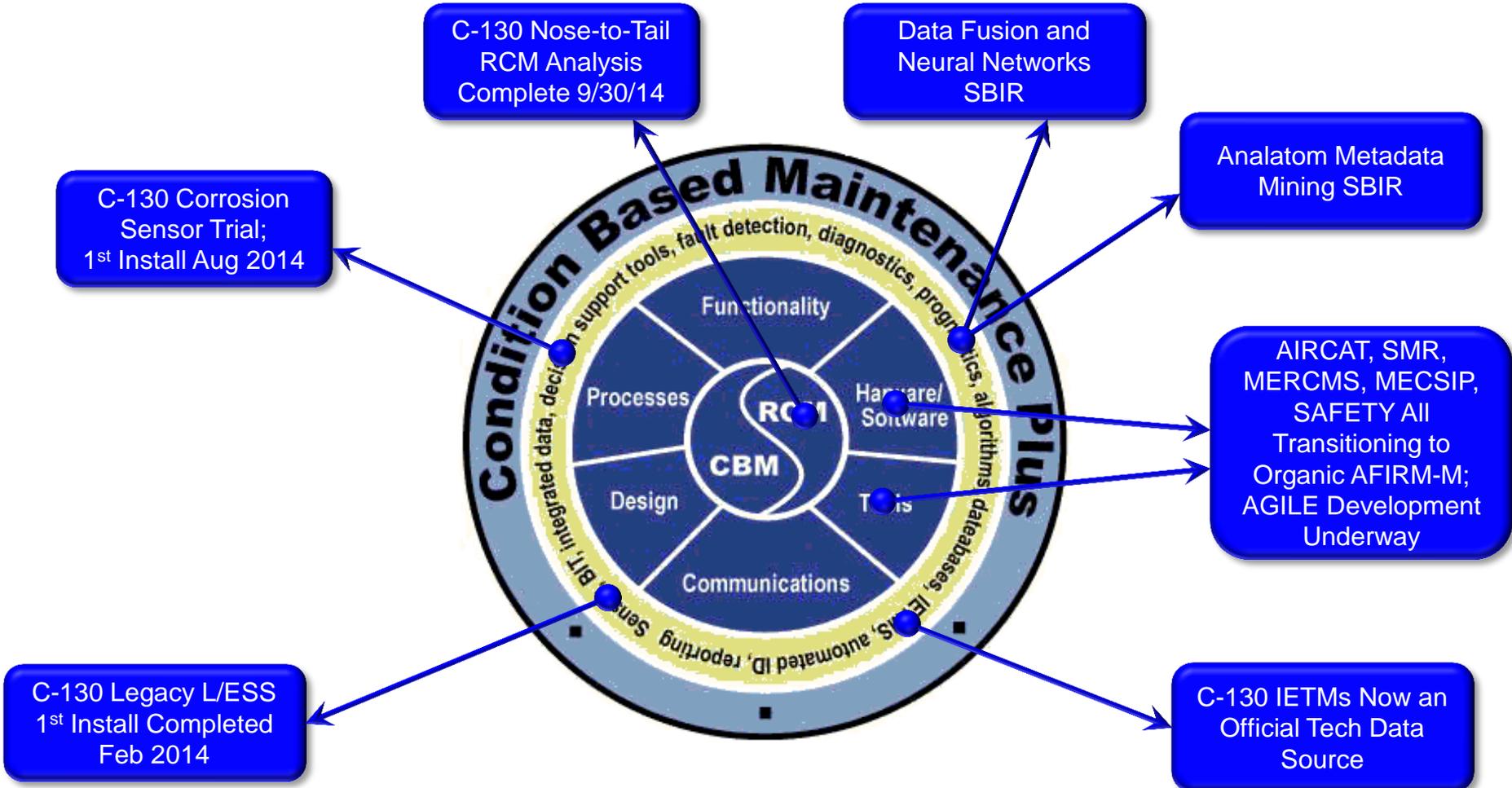




How Are We Getting There?



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C-130's Three Pillars of CBM+



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C-130 Health and Usage Monitoring Systems



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- **Corrosion Status Accounting**
 - Sensing when corrosion is taking place
 - Scheduling and Registering Repair
- **Structural Health Monitoring**
 - NDI Results Feed FEM/DADTA
 - Prognostics Merge Scheduled MX and ASIP Intervals
- **Propulsion System Health**
 - Leverage CEMS and EHMS Data
 - Integrate Nacelle Data into Propulsion Life Prediction
- **Avionics Diagnostics**
 - Capture and Analyze BIT Data
 - LRU Trend Analysis
- **Mechanical Systems Life Remaining**
 - Fusion of MECSIP and ASIP Data
 - Allow Neural Networks to Learn Cause and Effect



C-130 Maintenance Data Collection Systems



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- **Field Maintenance Data - NDE**
 - Paint a True Picture for Reliability Centered Maintenance Analysis
 - Analyze Trends for Root Cause Identification/Mitigation
- **Organic Depot Maintenance Data - NDE**
 - Capturing MRO Effectiveness
 - Rebaselining Aircraft Repair Status
- **Contractor Depot Maintenance Data**
 - Ability to Categorize Common LRU MRO Activity against MDS
 - Fuse with Field Data to Uncover Potential Failures Missed in ATP
- **Repair Action Details**
 - Accurately Capture Corrective Action's Impact on Useful Life
 - Update Aircraft Configuration to Account for Future Depot Repair
- **Supply System Cross Reference/Data Cleanse**
 - Discovers Errors in WUC Records
 - Lengthens Event Horizon for Predicting Supply Shortfalls



Inspection, Corrosion, Repair And Reporting (ICARR-3D)



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The image displays three overlapping windows of the ICARR 3D Viewer software. The top-left window shows a 3D model of an aircraft fuselage. The middle window shows a 3D model of a wing with several circular corrosion spots highlighted in green. The bottom-right window is a detailed view of a corrosion spot, showing a green wing section with a red circular spot. To the right of this window is a control panel with the following sections:

- Controls** / **Discrepancies** tabs
- Mode**: Crack Corrosion
- Part**: B41122-59 Former CS TE WS80.25
- Discrepancies**:
 - New Corrosion
 - New Corrosion
 - New Corrosion
 - New Crack
- Unattached Discrepancies**: (Empty list)
- Location**:
 - WS 80.21 L
 - WL 273.86
 - FS 606.69
- Corrosion Info**:
 - Length 2.376 in.
 - Width 3.514 in.
 - Depth 0.03 in.
- Delete Discrepancy** button
- Accept** and **Cancel** buttons
- Zoom (Location)** knob

Each window has an **Options** toolbar with navigation icons and a **Legend** at the bottom. The legend in the bottom window includes: Explode, Crack (red square), Corrosion (green square), and Other (yellow square). A **Magnify** slider is also present at the bottom right of the bottom window.



C-130 Prognostic Software Engine



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- **Metadata Mining**
 - Semi-Automated Analysis of ALL Data Using C-130 Custom Filters
 - Facilitates Intelligent Decision Making Process in MRO Activities
- **Data Fusion**
 - Automated Data-Driven Abnormality Detection
 - Multiple Source/Multiple Level Data Fusion Across MRO Enterprise
- **Neural Network Analysis**
 - Maintenance Event Characterization and Tracking
 - Translates Modeled Behavior Into Predictive Maintenance Activity
- **Statistical Probability**
 - Predict 90% of Upcoming Maintenance with 90% Confidence
 - Establish an Iterative Process to Refine Model with Each Aircraft
- **Accurate Simulations**
 - Build FEMS for Each MDS to Account for Structural Variations
 - Unique FEMS Feed Custom Simulations Based on Mission L/ESS



CBM+ Initiatives



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Organic AFIRM as Integrity “One-Stop-Shop”



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- Cornerstone for C-130 CBM+
- Multi-Platform Capability, Scalable for Individual Aircraft
- **MUST** Retain Aircraft Unique Engineering Software
 - Structural Health Algorithms (AIRCAT)
- Compiles ASIP, AVIP, MECSIP & PSIP Data
- Interfaces with USAF Data Systems
 - CAMS, REMIS, G081, GCSS, PDMS, LIMS-EV, JRAMS, Etc.
- Platform for Incremental Capability Development and Deployment

MULTI-PLATFORM

AFIRM-M

AGING FLEET INTEGRITY &
RELIABILITY MANAGEMENT



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A/C Usage

- IAT
- L/ESS
- Usage Data

Corrosion

- Reports
- Presentations
- Action Items
- Paint Scores

Maintenance Data

- Historical Data
- Field Findings
- Fleet Repairs

Force Management

- FSMP
- DTA Results
- Fatigue Test Data

Fleet Assessments

- Aborted Flights
- Reliability Reports
- Underperforming Component List

Component Tracking

- Mission Critical Items
- Critical Safety Items
- Top 10 NMC Drivers



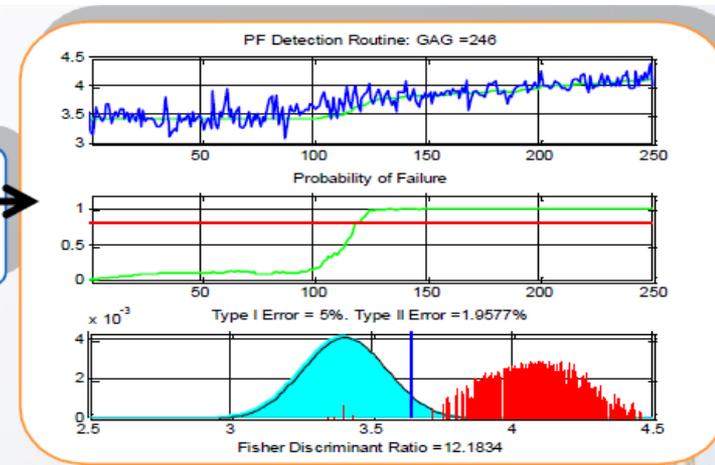
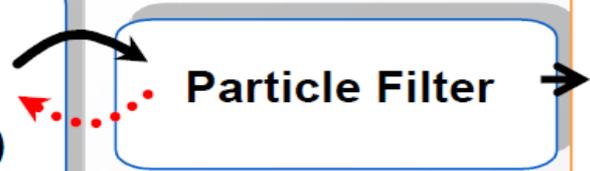
Corrosion Sensing and Monitoring (SBIR)



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- **Accurately Characterize Aircraft Corrosion Using μ LPR**
 - It's Important to Note We are NOT Measuring Corrosion Depth
 - Current TRL Only Allows Determination of Corrosion Rate
- **Transition Laboratory Results Into Fieldable Hardware**
- **Develop Predictive Statistics for Coating Compromise**
- **Will Allow C-130 Corrosion Mgr. Unprecedented Visibility**
 - Scheduled Maintenance
 - Environmental Conditions
 - Coating Integrity

$$\begin{cases} x_d(t+1) = f_b(x_d(t) + n(t)) \\ x_c(t+1) = f_t(x_d(t), x_c(t), \omega(t)) \\ \text{Features}(t) = f(x_d(t), x_c(t), v(t)) \end{cases}$$





Sensor Data - Corrosion Sensors Placement

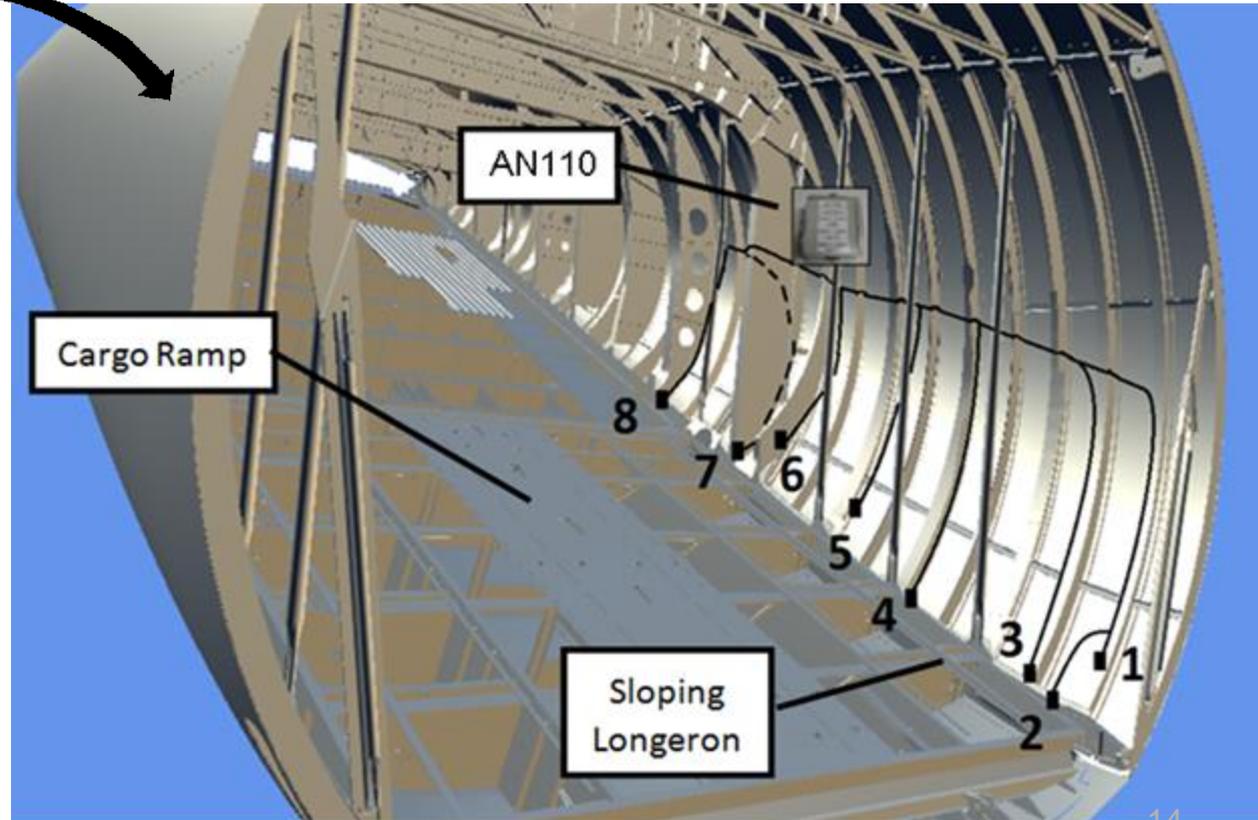


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Sloping longeron and surrounding structure chosen for the high rate of water intrusion and corrosion. Wiring will be installed underneath aircraft insulation.



(CARGO COMPARTMENT
LOOKING AFT)

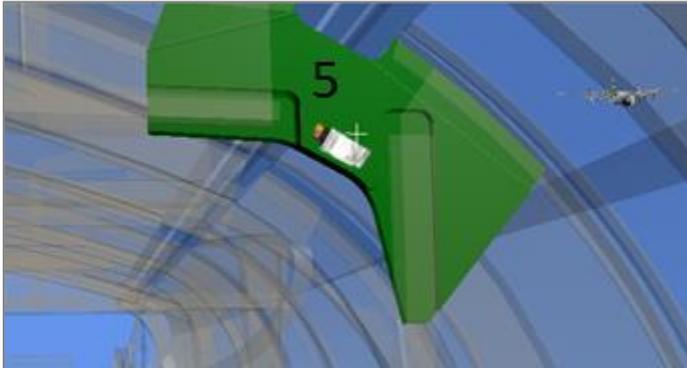




Sensor Data - Corrosion Sensors Placement



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The FS 946 gusset fitting experiences significant stress and has a long history of cracking.

The cargo ramp area sloping longeron experiences high stress particularly when the cargo ramp is open in flight. It is often found deformed during Depot maintenance.



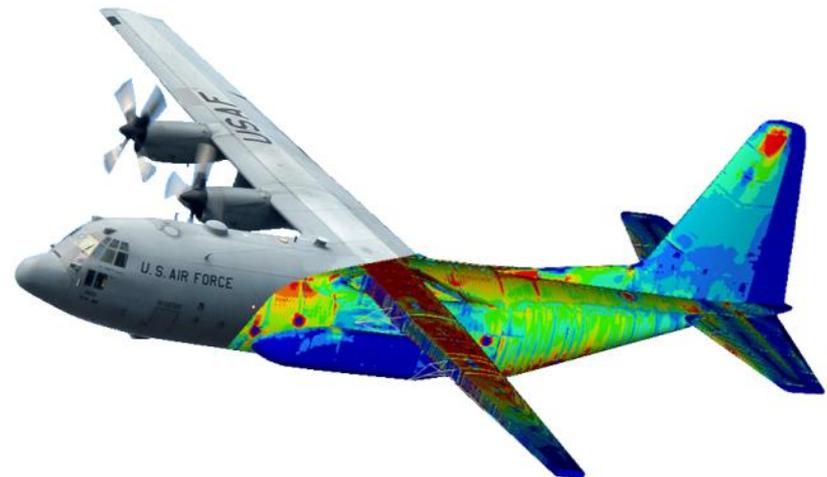


Legacy C-130 L/ESS



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- **Suite of Sensors Installed to Record Loads/Environment Spectrum Survey (L/ESS) Data**
 - System Monitors 25 Discrete Locations
 - Uses a Combination of Strain Gauges, Load Bridges, and Pressure Transducers
 - Refines Flight Characterizations for Improved Actual Flight Hour to Equivalent Flight Hour Translation
 - End Goal of MIL-STD-1530C Compliant L/ESS (20% of Fleet, All MDS Covered)





Metadata Mining (SBIR)



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- **Current T.O. 1C-130A-06 WUC Based Data is Unreliable**
 - Approximately 60% of Data Records Are Removed
- **Maintenance Write-ups Contain Errors/Misspellings**
 - Current Systems Make No Attempt to Decrypt Vernacular
 - Systems Don't Cross Reference Text with How Mal Code
 - Write-Up States R2 LRU with a 799 How Mal (Doesn't Make Sense)
- **System Uses Advanced Artificial Intelligence Algorithms**
 - Similarity Groupings and Common Maintenance Associations Stored in a Single, Dynamic Information Repository
 - Complex, Non-linear Conceptual Associations and Links Discovered within Millions of Independent Text Maintenance Documents





Neural Network Analysis (SBIR)



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- **USAF Scientific Advisory Board Finding:**
 - “The integrity programs (ASIP, MECSIP, AVIP, and PSIP) are the main avenues for implementation of improved data driven CBM processes.”
- **DF&NN Data-driven Predictive Maintenance (DPM) Tools**
 - Dual Node Network (DNN) technical architecture
 - Data-driven Anomaly (ANOM) detection, characterization, and tracking
 - Bayesian Fusion Node (BFN)
 - Smoking Gun (SG) Pattern Discovery
 - Abnormal Event & Context Visualization

While these processes may not completely stem the cost growth for sustainment of the aging USAF fleet, they can certainly provide cost and time reductions from the systems currently used by the USAF sustainment enterprise.



Neural Network Analysis (SBIR)



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- **The DPM system is based upon a proven data-driven abnormality detection system at TRL 7**
 - **Learns Normal & Detects Abnormal Unknown-signature Behavior for Thousands of Variables in Near Real Time**
 - **Provides Context for Abnormal Clusters with Characterizations to Which Recommended Responses can be Tagged**
 - **Affordably Adaptive via Retraining for Changing Operational States with New Training Sets Specified Over Time via Automated Cluster**
- **Proposed Way Ahead**
 - **Identification, Access, Management, and Analysis of Data for DPM**
 - **Learn Normal Behavior, Detect & Characterize Abnormal Behaviors, and Test Performance Using Off-Line Historical Aircraft Data**
 - **Detect & Characterize Unknown Abnormal Aircraft Data Behaviors and Perform a Blind Test Using Data with Unknown Signatures**
 - **Abnormal Event Track Relationship, Impact, and Process Assessment Plus Maintenance Management**

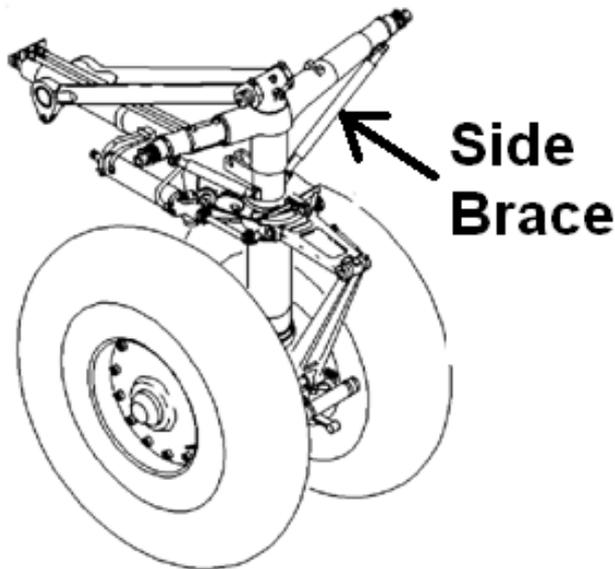


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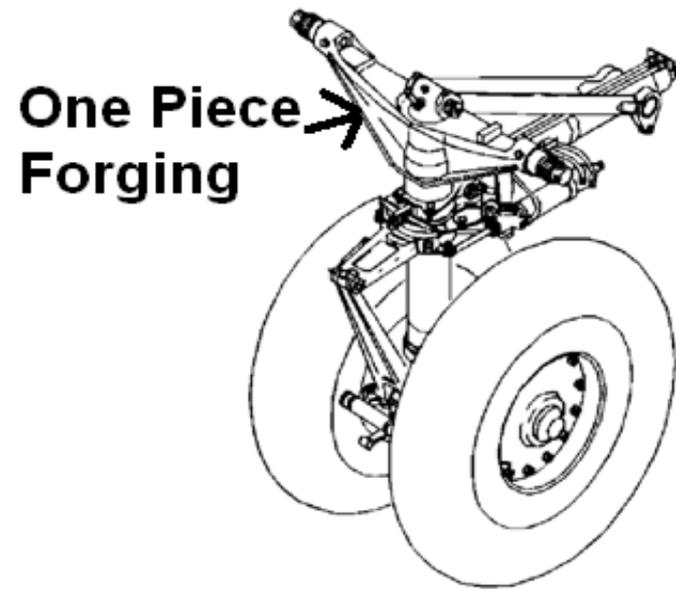


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- **Old Style NLG Shock Strut is No Longer in Use, Yet Time Change Requirement Remains in 1C-130A-6**
 - 1C-130A-6 (H-Model TO) Requires TCI at 60 Months
 - 1C-130J-6 (J-Model TO) Requires TCI at 120 Months
 - \$1.49M in Annual Savings



Old Style



New Style



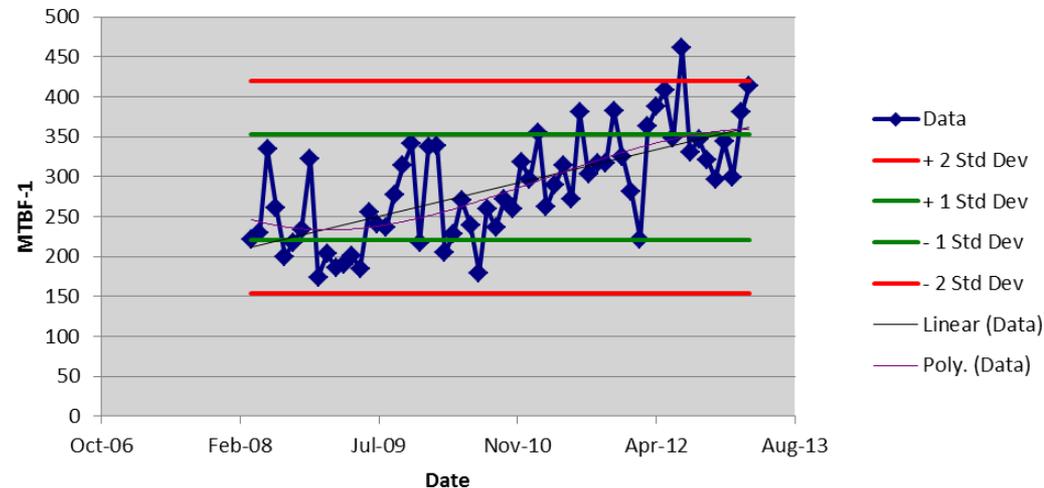
RCM Success Stories



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- **APN-169 R/T Premature Failures**
 - Expected MTBF-1 => 400 Flight Hours
 - FY 08 MTBF-1 ≈ 175 Flight Hours
 - Engineering Traced Root Cause to Improper Klystron Tube Adjustment
 - Current Annual Savings of \$10.1M

MTBF-1
C130 5 YEARS WUC 72900



Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Failures	914	1232	1156	916	761	146
avg/mo	102	103	96	76	63	49
Mo	9	12	12	12	12	3
Repair cost	\$ 17,449.00	\$ 17,449.00	\$ 17,449.00	\$ 17,449.00	\$ 17,449.00	\$ 17,449.00
Cost per year	\$ 21,264,514.67	\$ 21,497,168.00	\$ 20,171,044.00	\$ 15,983,284.00	\$ 13,278,689.00	\$ 10,190,216.00



Summary



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- **C-130 Program Office is Pursuing CBM+ as a Cost Saving Initiative**
 - **Current Fiscal Environment is an Impediment**
 - **Complete C-130 Nose to Tail RCM Analysis Complete in Sep 2014**
 - **RCM Analyses are Currently Producing Savings**
 - **Manpower Savings Allow the Field More Record Time, Yields Better Data**
 - **Cost Savings Validate ROI and Improve Overall Program, Feeds Future Initiatives**
 - **Utilizing SBIR Process to Maximize Dollars**
 - **Organic Software Solution Fields Capability Quicker and More Efficiently Than OEM/Contractor Proprietary Packages**
 - **Easily Scalable Across USAF Enterprise**





Questions?



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