



### **PEO Panel**

# Perspectives on Software Related Acquisition Issues

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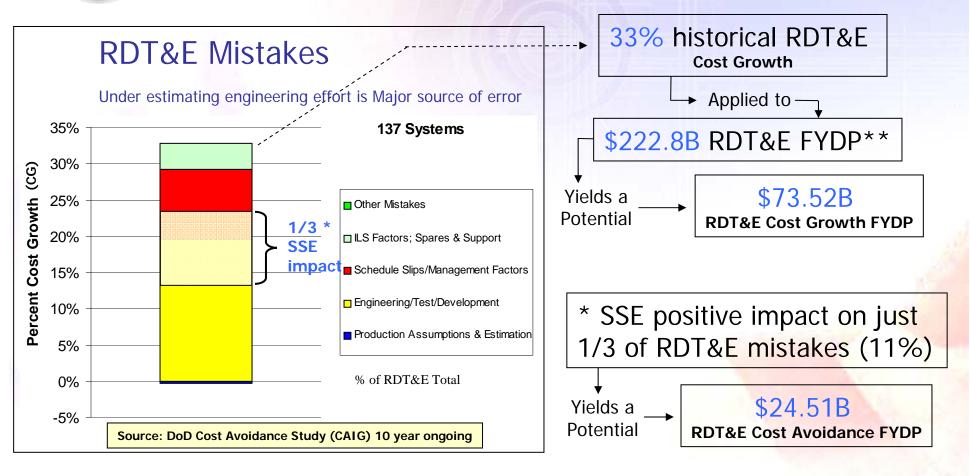


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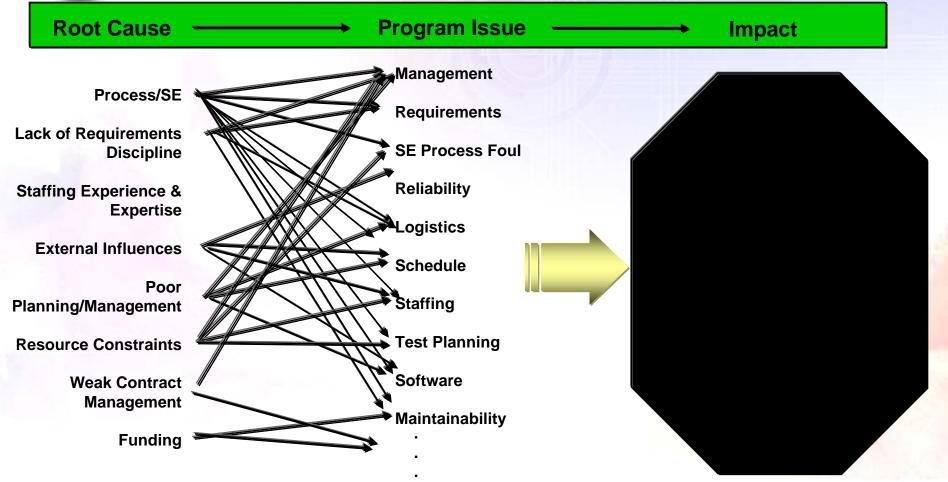
### Driving Systems and Software Engineering Back into Programs Reduces Costly Mistakes



\*\*SAR data for MAIS and MDAP programs under OSD Systems Engineering Oversight



### **Root Cause Effects**

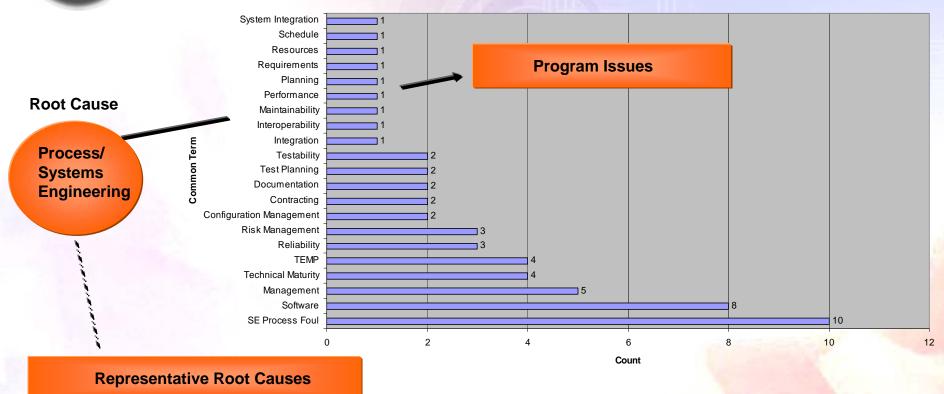


Root causes impact programs in "shotgun" style



## Root Cause: Process/Systems Engineering

Count of Findings by Common Term
For The 56 (84.8%) Of 66 Findings Specifying "Process/SE" as the Root Cause Type



- Inadequate program documentation and configuration management
- Fact that development computers are not "good" test environment often overlooked
- Lack of rigorous SE approach
- Lack of emphasis on software architecture priorities in software requirements documents
- Failure to identify and address risk of program dependencies
- Risk management performed only at PM level and not delegated down to IPTs



### "Quotable Quotes" from Program Reviews

### Management...

- "Decisions that should take a week, took a year..."
- "They were the Romulans, but now we are working with them..."
- "Often an issue is gone before getting through the process..."
- "Perfection is the enemy of good enough..."
- "We tried to co-locate, but it was just too hard..."
- "Nine women can't have a baby in one month"
- "CPI can be gamed…"
- "EVMS is meaningless..."



### "Quotable Quotes" from Program Reviews

#### Process...

- "Death by a thousand cuts..."
- "It's OK to be different..."
- "We thought that would be good enough"
- "I wouldn't do it this way again..."
- "...we allow that, but strongly discourage it..."
- "...we're not going to tell them about <u>all</u> of our test cases"
- "That doesn't mean what you think it means..."
  - » Indigo Montoya, The Princess Bride