SYSTEMS ARCHITECTING AND WORKSHOP

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GENERAL PRINCIPLES/GROUNDRULES

- System Structure is its Architecture and its Architecture is its Framework
- Stress "essence" of system
- Stress simplicity of process (Rechtin..)
- Stress repeatability of process
- Stress Knee-of-Curve concept
- Not the same as Enterprise Architecture

WHAT IS AN ARCHITECTURE?

"An organized top-down selection and description of design choices for all the system functions and subfunctions, placed in a context to assure interoperability and the satisfaction of requirements" *

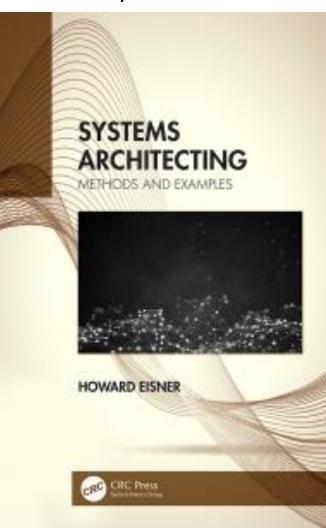
 Preferred architecture: a choice among several architectures that is balanced, cost-effective and most congruent with what the customer is seeking, as tempered by program and/or system constraints *

* Eisner, Howard, "Essentials of Project and Systems Engineering Management, Third Edition", John Wiley, 2008

BASIC STEPS – EAM*

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- Functional Decomposition
- Synthesis (The Architectures)
- Analysis (Evaluation Of Alternatives)
- Preferred Architecture Based Upon Cost-effectiveness Considerations



* Eisner Architecture Method

Severe Climate Anemometry System Functional Decomposition (R. D. Anderson)

 Atmospheric Sensing Wind Speed Sensing Wind Direction Sensing Pressure Sensing 	 Power Service Main Power Supply Power Regulation Backup Power 	
 Mechanical Service Instrument Housing Orientation/Position 	 Indoor/Outdoor Transmission Power Transmission Signal Transmission Physical Linkages 	
Environmental Service Ice Control 	 Data Handling Data Collection Data Procession/Storage Reporting/Distribution 	

Severe Climate Anemometry System Synthesis (1 of 2) (R. D. Anderson)

	Low Cost	Knee-of-Curve	High Effective.			
Atmospheric Sensing	Atmospheric Sensing					
Wind speed sensing	COTS Pitot	Add Xducer	Radio Xducer			
• Wind direction sense.	Shaft Drive	Shaft Drive	Shaft Drive			
Pressure sensing	COTS Pitot	Add Xducer	Radio Xducer			
Mechanical Service						
Instrument Housing	Machined Alum	+ Mold Comp.	Less weight			
Orientation	Vaned Bearing	Less Tail Boom	High Prec Bear.			
Environmental Service						
Ice Control	Analog Temp	Add digital	Add Heat Pipes			
Power Service						
Main Power Supply	110/220 Comm	110/220 Comm	110/220 Comm			
Power Regulation	Conditioners/Rods	+GroundFault	Add Lightning Arr.			
Backup Power	Batteries	Gas Generator	Diesel w/switch			

Severe Climate Anemometry System Synthesis (2 of 2) (R. D. Anderson)

	Low Cost	Knee-of-Curve	High Effective.
Indoor/Outdoor Trans			
Power Transmission	Stranded Wire Harness	Stranded Wire	Custom Slip Rings
		Harness	
Signal Transmission	Foil-Shielded Wire	Coax with Slip Rings	2-way Radio
Physical Linkages	Shaft/Conduit	Add Transducer	Minimum Shaft
Data Handling			
Data Collection	Pneumatic Cell	Magnetic Sensor	Optical Sensor
Data Processing	Manual Database	Computer Control	Comp Control
 Reporting and 	Physical/Manual Network	GUI+Modem	DBMS + Packet
Distribution			

Architecting a House

Functional Decomposition

- Eating
- Food Preparation
- Baths
- Recreation
- Environment
- Style/Design
- Security

- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Car/Facility
- Living/Dining Space
- Sleeping Quarters
- Closets
- Lawn/Garden

Architecting a House - Synthesis (P. 1 of 2)

Functions	Low Cost	Knee-of-Curve	High Effective.
• <u>Eating</u>	Standard Dining	1.5xStandard	2xStandard;High ceiling
Food Preparation	Standard Kitchen	Std + hi extras	Std+hi extras+ extra equip &
			counters
• <u>Baths</u>	Two Baths	Three Baths	Five baths w/bidet+
<u>Recreation</u>	Small Deck	Front/Back Decks	Wraparound Decks + Pool
<u>Environment</u>	Single Furnace Low	Two Zone Medium	Three Zone; High Capacity
	Capacity	Сар.	
<u>Style/Design</u>	Ranch	Faux Farm	Contemporary
• <u>Security</u>	Need To Hire	Camera/Tape	Add Alarms & Internet
Plumbing	Std Copper	Std+ extra	Add Sprinkler System
		Flareouts	

Architecting a House - Synthesis (P. 2 of 2)

Functions	Low Cost	Knee-of-Curve	High Effective.
Electrical	Std. Amps	Add 50% More	Add 100% More
Car/Facility	One Car Garage	Two Car	Three Car
Living/Dining	2400 SQFT	3000 SQFT	4500 SQFT
Space			
Sleeping Quarters	3 Bedrooms	4 Bedrooms	5 Bedrooms + Rec Room &
			Den
Closets	Five total	3+ All Bdrms	5 + All Bdrms + Increased
			Size
Lawn/Garden	Small Lawn	Add Water Lines	Large lawn + Gazebo

Analysis (Evaluation of Alternatives)

Evaluation Criteria		System A		System B		System C	
(Illustrative)	Weight	Rating	WxR	Rating	WxR	Rating	WxR
Maintainability	0.3	7	2.1	8	2.4	9	2.7
Aesthetic	0.1	6	0.6	7	0.7	9	0.9
Overall Livability	0.1	7	0.7	7	0.7	9	0.9
Food Preparation	0.3	8	2.4	9	2.7	9	2.7
Bath areas/closets	0.2	7	1.4	8	1.6	9	1.8
	SUM		7.2		8.1		9

Analysis (of Alternatives)

	System A	System B	System C
Effectiveness	7.2	8.1	9
Cost	800K	1.2M	4M

Effectiveness on Scale of 1 TO 10

Weighting and Rating Schema

WHICH ALTERNATIVE WOULD YOU CHOOSE?

More Detailed Evaluation Criteria (Stakeholder Fidelity)

Performance

- Vaning stability
- Average power consumption
- Impact Resistance
- Data Availability
- Useful Life

Human Factors

- Ease of Use
- Operator Safety
- Bystander Safety

Reliability

- Generic Failure Rate
- Level of Redundancy

Maintainability

- Scheduled maintenance
- Mean-time-to-repair

Risk

- Schedule risk
- Performance risk
- Societal risk
- Cost risk

Sustainability

- Year-by-year cost vs budget
- Technology obsolescence

TRADEOFFS

Can See Areas For Tradeoffs From Synthesis Chart?

- Power Transmission Example
- Environmental Service
- Radio Transducer
- Physical Linkages
- Power Regulation. Etc.

INTEROPERABILITY

Can See Areas For Interoperation By Moving From Top To Bottom On Synthesis Chart?

- Wind Speed Sensing Vs. Wind Pressure Sensing
- Power Transmission Vs. Signal Transmission
- Data Collection Vs. Data Processing
- Data Processing Vs. Data Reporting/Distribution

Other Evaluation Criteria

Transportation & Communications

Transportation

- Trip Time
- Demand
- Capacity
- Speed
- Fuel Consumption
- Safety
- Security

Communications

- Number of Channels
- Grade of Service
- Signal-To-Noise Ratio
- Probability of Detection
- Alarm Probability
- Response Time
- Connectivity

FINAL COMMENTARY

- Cost of alternatives
- Effectiveness of alternatives
- "Knee-of-Curve" ?
- Preferred Levels of Functional Decomposition = 3
- Can Obtain Deeper Evaluation with More/Sub-criteria
- Can Visually See (a) tradeoff areas, (b) interoperability areas
- Consider Using Team Approach/Experiments

System A	System B	System C
800K	1.2M	4M
7.2	8.1	9

QUESTIONS?