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ABSTRACT

Multi-disciplinary ship synthesis models and multi-objective optimization techniques are increasingly being used in ship design. Multi-disciplinary models allow designers to break away from the traditional design spiral approach and focus on searching the design space for the best overall design instead of the best discipline-specific design. Complex design problems such as these often have high levels of uncertainty associated with them, and since most optimization algorithms tend to push solutions to constraint boundaries, the calculated “best” solution might be infeasible if there are minor uncertainties related to the model or problem definition. Consequently, there is a need to address uncertainty in optimization problems to produce effective and reliable results. This thesis focuses on adding a third objective, uncertainty, to the effectiveness and cost objectives already present in a multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model. Uncertainty is quantified using a “confidence of success” (CoS) calculation based on the mean value method. CoS is the probability that a design will satisfy all constraints and meet performance objectives. This work proves that the CoS concept can be applied to synthesis models to estimate uncertainty early in the design process. Multiple sources of uncertainty are realistically quantified and represented in the model in order to investigate their relative importance to the overall uncertainty. This work also presents methods to encourage a uniform distribution of points across the Pareto front. With a well defined front, designs can be selected and refined using a gradient based optimization algorithm to optimize a single objective while holding the others fixed.

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Nomenclature

AAW	Anti-Air Warfare
AMV	Advanced Mean Value Method
AoA	Analysis of Alternatives
ASSET	Advanced Surface Ship Evaluation Tool
ASUW	Anti-Surface Warfare
ASW	Anti-Submarine Warfare
Atr	Total Required Area
B	Beam at Waterline (m)
BCC	Basic Cost of Construction
BHP	Brake Horsepower
CBR	Chemical, Biological, and Radiological
CDF	Cumulative Distribution Function
CFD	Computational Fluid Dynamics
CG	Ticonderoga Class Cruiser
CMan	Manning Reduction Factor
CoS	Confidence of Success
Cp	Prismatic Coefficient
CPS	Collective Protection System
Crd	Raised Deck Coefficient
CTOC	Total Ownership Cost
Cx	Maximum Section Coefficient
D10	Hull Depth at Station 10 (m)
DDG	Arleigh Burke Class Destroyer (Flights I/II/IIa)
DDS	Design Data Sheet
DOE	Design of Experiments
DOT	Design Optimization Tools
DP	Design Point
DV	Design Variable
E	Endurance Range
FEM	Finite Element Method
FFG	Oliver Hazard Perry Class Frigate
GA	Genetic Algorithm
GUI	Graphical User Interface
IED	Integrated Electric Drive
JCDF	Joint Cumulative Distribution Function
JPDF	Joint Probability Density Function
KB	Ship's Overall Center of Buoyancy (m above keel)
KG	Ship's Overall Center of Gravity (m above keel)
KWmflm	Maximum Functional Electrical Load with Margins
LSF	Limit State Function
LWL	Length at Waterline (m)
MAV	Multi-Attribute Value
MC	ModelCenter
MCS	Monte Carlo Simulation
MDO	Multi-Disciplinary Optimization

MOE	Measure of Effectiveness
MOFD	Method of Feasible Directions
MOGO	Multi-Objective Genetic Optimization
MOP	Measure of Performance
MPP	Most Probable Point
MPPL	Most Probable Point Locus
MV	Mean Value Method
NDF	Non-Dominated Frontier
NIPC	Non-Intrusive Polynomial Chaos Method
N _s	Number of Ships to be Built
NSWCCD	Naval Surface Warfare Center – Carderock Division
OMOE	Overall Measure of Effectiveness
ONR	Office of Naval Research
ORD	Operational Requirements Document
PC	Polynomial Chaos
PDF	Probability Density Function
PE	Effective Power
POE	Projected Operational Environment
ROCs	Required Operational Capabilities
R _T	Bare Hull Resistance
RV	Random Variable
SC	Surface Combatant
SHP	Shaft Horsepower
SWBS	Ship Work Breakdown Structure
T	Design Draft (m)
USN	United States Navy
VCG	Vertical Center of Gravity
VD	Deckhouse Volume (m ³)
VOP	Value of Performance
VT AOE	Virginia Tech Dept. of Aerospace and Ocean Engineering
W _l	Lightship Weight
W _T	Total Ship Weight

Also note that SI units and abbreviations are used throughout this paper unless otherwise stated.

Definitions

Attribute	A quality or characteristic inherent to a particular design point; Attributes include design variables (i.e. beam), constraint performance values (i.e. sustained speed error value), and objectives (i.e. cost).
CDF	Cumulative Distribution Function – the CDF of a continuous random variable X with PDF $f(x)$ is: $F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(u) du$ for $-\infty < x < \infty$ (Montgomery et al., 2004).
Constraint	An equality or inequality relation restricting the design space; Constraints set minimum and/or maximum bounds on attributes.
Criterion	An attribute used to make a decision in the design process, such as a constraint performance value or objective.
Design Point	A vector of attributes that describes the characteristics of a particular ship design. DPs may be dominated or non-dominated depending on their location relative to the Pareto front.
JPDF	Joint Probability Density Function – the JPDF $f(x,y)$ of two continuous random variables X and Y is used to determine probabilities as follows: $P(a < X < b, c < Y < d) = \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) dy dx$ for $-\infty < x < \infty$ and $-\infty < y < \infty$ (Montgomery et al., 2004).
MDO	Multi-Disciplinary Optimization – optimization that integrates the multiple fields of ship design (i.e. hull geometry, resistance and propulsion, etc.).
MOGO	Multi-Objective Genetic Optimization – evolutionary optimization algorithm capable of handling nonlinear and multimodal optimization problems involving multiple objectives and constraints; based on Darwin’s principle of “survival of the fittest” (Benini, 2003).

MOP	Measure of Performance – specific ship or system performance metric independent of mission scenario or mission type, i.e. AAW, sustained speed, endurance range, etc. (Good and Brown, 2006).
NDF	Non-Dominated Frontier – three-dimensional surface of designs where each design represents the highest effectiveness for a given level of cost and CoS compared to other designs in the design space (Good and Brown, 2006).
Objective	An attribute the designer wishes to optimize in the design process, such as cost or effectiveness.
OMOE	Overall Measure of Effectiveness – quantitative measure of a ship’s ability to perform over a range of mission types and mission scenarios. OMOE ranges from 0.0 to 1.0: an OMOE of 0.0 represents the least effective ship design possible in the given design space; an OMOE of 1.0 represents the most effective ship design possible in the given design space (Good and Brown, 2006).
Pareto Optimum	A design solution on the non-dominated frontier (NDF). A Pareto optimal design satisfies constraints such that no single objective can be improved without decreasing the performance of at least one other objective. A set of Pareto optimal design solutions is often referred to as a Pareto front or optimal set (Klasen, 2005).
PDF	Probability Density Function – the PDF $f(x)$ of a continuous random variable X calculates probability according to the equation: $P(a < X < b) = \int_a^b f(x)dx$ for $-\infty < x < \infty$. A PDF must have the following properties: $f(x) \geq 0$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) = 1$ (Montgomery et al., 2004).
Ship Synthesis Model	Set of interlinking multi-disciplinary modules used to balance and assess the feasibility of each design selected during the optimization process. The ship synthesis model is composed of an input module, a nine module physics-based model, a constraint module, and three separate objective modules (Good et al., 2005).

VOP

Value of Performance – quantitative measure of merit between 0.0 and 1.0 that specifies the value of a particular MOP to a specific mission area for a particular mission type (Good and Brown, 2006).

1 Introduction

The naval ship design approach has traditionally been an impromptu process, guided by experience, design lanes, rules of thumb, customer preference, and innovation. Using this approach, system objective attributes are rarely sufficiently quantified to make efficient and intelligent design decisions (Brown and Thomas, 1998). This thesis focuses on adding a third objective, uncertainty, to the effectiveness and cost objectives already present in a multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model. The aim is to use a total system approach for the naval ship design process by thoroughly searching the design space based on the multi-objective consideration of overall effectiveness and cost with an emphasis on the effects of uncertainty.

A typical naval ship goes through a five stage design process, as illustrated in Figure 1. The first stage is concept exploration, which yields a concept baseline that is further developed in concept development and preliminary design. Complete specifications for the ship are formed during contract design, which results in ship acquisition. The final stage of naval ship design is detail design, which is completed by ship builders in conjunction with construction of the vessel. This five stage design process can take between 15 and 20 years to complete (Good et al., 2005).

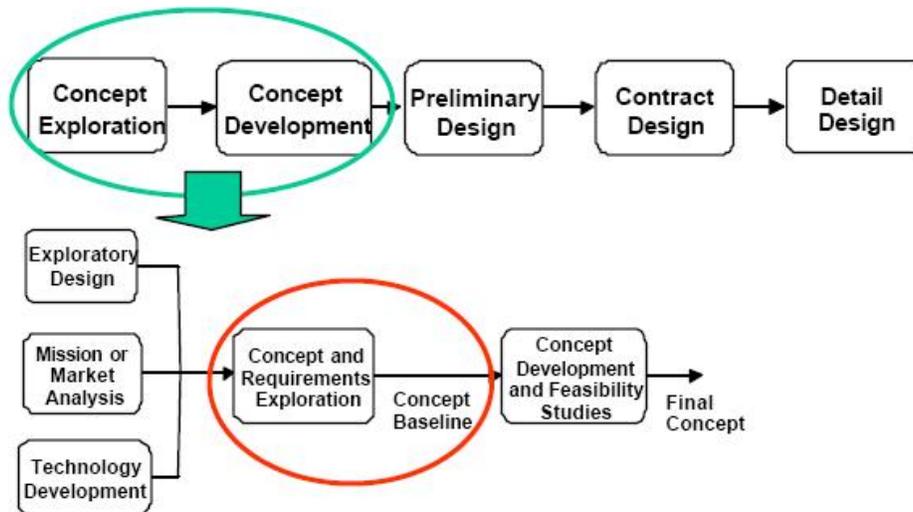


Figure 1 - Naval Ship Design Process (Brown, 2006)

This thesis focuses on improving methods used during the concept exploration design stage. Concept exploration involves creating a design space of several variables and then searching the design space for the “best” designs in terms of overall effectiveness and cost. The results of this design stage include the selection of a concept baseline design (See Figure 1), an Operational Requirements Document (ORD), and technology selection (Good et al., 2005). The concept exploration process is shown in detail in Figure 2.

Recently multi-disciplinary ship synthesis models and multi-objective optimization techniques have found their way into naval ship design. The use of a multi-disciplinary model allows designers to break away from the traditional design spiral approach and focus on effectively searching the design space for the best overall design instead of the

best discipline-specific design (Klasen, 2005). Multi-objective optimization involves simultaneously varying the design variables (DVs) in an effort to converge to the “best” overall designs. These “best” overall designs are a reflection of the defined objectives, and they are displayed via a non-dominated frontier (NDF). The multi-objective consideration of overall effectiveness and cost results in a NDF where each ship design provides the highest level of overall effectiveness for a given cost relative to other ship designs in the design space. The final design is then selected from the NDF based on the customer’s preference in overall effectiveness and cost (Good et al., 2005).

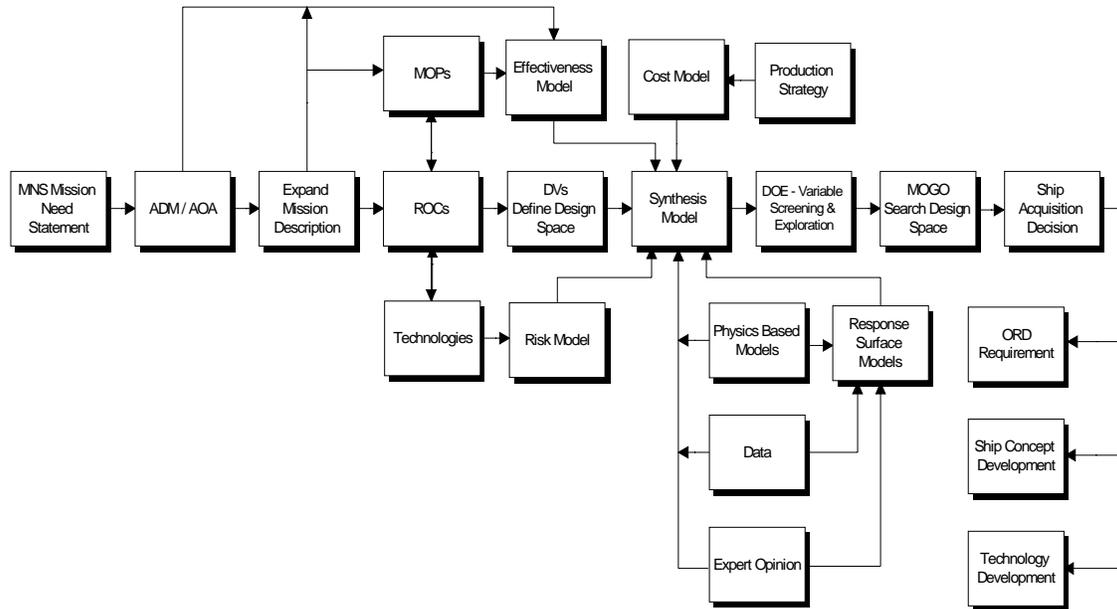


Figure 2 - Concept Exploration Process (Brown, 2006)

Design optimization is often constructed as a deterministic process, based on minimizing or maximizing a single design objective by varying a set of DVs. Since most optimization algorithms tend to push the solution to one or more of the constraint boundaries, the calculated “best” solution might be infeasible if there are even minor uncertainties related to the problem definition or synthesis model. Sources of uncertainty are abundant, and they range from modeling and simulation errors to regression analysis variance, low precision measurements, and human error. Consequently, there is a need to address uncertainty in any design optimization problem to produce results that are both effective and reliable (Klasen, 2005).

1.1 Motivation

Multi-Disciplinary Optimization (MDO) is essential for the successful design of any highly integrated system. MDO allows for the integration of multiple disciplines so that effective system decisions can be made. Often the optimal system design is unique and non-intuitive in regard to any specific discipline. MDO increases the confidence that the optimal technologies have been selected for design, and as a result, it is increasingly being used in conceptual design problems around the world. For example, recently MDO

has been used to reconfigure ship propulsion plants, to reduce the vehicle body weight of new cars, and to design hypersonic aircraft.

Complex integrated system design problems such as these often have high levels of uncertainty associated with their modeling and simulation, leading to the possibility that the selected design will not perform as well as expected. As a result, there is an increasing demand for a decision making tool that accounts for the effects of uncertainties in the design process. Uncertainty is typically handled using rough safety factors, but a probabilistic approach can produce results that are both more accurate and precise if the designer is willing to slightly increase analysis computational time (Klasen, 2005).

There are two main approaches for dealing with probabilistically formulated optimization problems: reliability based design and robust based design. Reliability based design is the more common of the two, and it focuses on satisfying the probabilistic constraints of the design problem (Klasen, 2005). In other words, reliability based design focuses on maximizing the probability that each design will be feasible and will not fail. Robust design focuses on designs that are less sensitive to the influence of uncontrollable factors; robust solutions optimize objectives while reducing variability (Mavris et al., 1998). However, even though robust design is considered very useful in making design decisions regarding complex engineering systems requiring MDO, its implementation is rare. One possible reason for this is the complexity and computational burden associated with evaluating objective variations due to uncertainties within the system (Du and Chen, 2002).

1.2 Goal

The goal of this work is to expand on the Confidence of Success (CoS) concept developed by Emanuel Klasen at Virginia Tech's Department of Aerospace and Ocean Engineering (VT AOE). Klasen's work explored the applicability and usability of the Mean Value method (MV) in analyzing system uncertainty in multi-objective optimization problems. Original implementation was performed on a simplified multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model developed at VT AOE. Klasen merged reliability based and robust based design approaches to quantify uncertainty using a calculation termed CoS. CoS is the probability that a specific ship design will satisfy all constraints and meet performance objectives (Klasen, 2005). For more information on Klasen's original work, please see his report entitled "Confidence of Success in Multi-Criteria Optimization of Multi-Disciplinary Ship Design Models" (2005).

The original goal of the CoS concept was for it to be both fast and accurate enough to be applied to complex multi-disciplinary engineering systems with multiple objectives and heavy computational demands, yielding a CoS probability calculation for every feasible design point (DP). The probability calculation is performed utilizing the first steps of MV, using a basic Taylor series expansion to derive a Limit State Function (LSF) for each criterion response. Correlation between probabilistic criteria is handled through the simultaneous application of all LSFs to the Joint Probability Density Function (JPDF) of all uncertain variables (Klasen, 2005).

Klasen's work proved that a concept such as CoS can be applied to a simple ship synthesis model to estimate system uncertainty early in the design process. However, a great deal of work remains to be done on this problem. This thesis aims to apply the CoS

concept to a more detailed surface combatant synthesis model. In the original model, only two sources of uncertainty, resistance and weight, were considered. More sources of uncertainty need to be included, and all of these uncertainties need to be realistically quantified and represented in the model in order to investigate their relative importance to the overall design uncertainty or risk. Also, in the initial optimization effort, the DPs did not spread out well over the Pareto front. This work will attempt to penalize designs in the proximity of others to encourage a more uniform distribution of points across the front. Issues regarding optimizer performance with three objective functions in the presence of both discrete and continuous variables will also be examined. Once the Pareto front has been well defined, a particular design can be selected and refined using a gradient based optimization algorithm to minimize or maximize one of the objective functions while holding the others fixed.

1.3 Computational and Modeling Tools

Computational and modeling tools used in this project are listed in Table 1. ModelCenter version 6.1 and Analysis Server version 4.1 are modeling tools developed by Phoenix Integration. More information about these tools can be found at <http://www.phoenix-int.com/>.

Table 1 – Computational and Modeling Tools

Application	Software Package
Visual Design Environment	ModelCenter 6.1
Module Wrapper	Analysis Server 4.1
Primary Ship Synthesis Model Modules	Compaq Visual Fortran Standard Edition 6.1.0
Expansion Module	Visual Basic
MCS Script	Visual Basic
CoS Module	Matlab 7.0.4
Surface Combatant Data	ASSET

2 Multi-Objective Optimization Considering Uncertainty

There is typically no single global optimum when performing multi-objective optimization because of tradeoffs between associated objectives. Conversely, multi-objective optimization results in a set of local Pareto optimums. A Pareto optimal design solution is a solution on the non-dominated frontier (NDF) that satisfies constraints such that no single objective can be improved without decreasing the performance of at least one other objective. A set of Pareto optimal design solutions is often referred to as a Pareto front or optimal set (Klasen, 2005). In this work, a NDF refers to a two-dimensional boundary or three-dimensional surface of designs where each design represents the highest effectiveness for a given level of cost and/or uncertainty compared to other designs in the design space (Good and Brown, 2006). Figure 3 displays a sample NDF in two objective attribute space. Here the objective is to minimize cost and maximize effectiveness in a deterministic multi-objective optimization process. The NDF is the boundary that separates the feasible and infeasible regions in the objective space. Every design solution in this objective space is represented by at least one design point (DP) in the design space, i.e. there is at least one design variable (DV) vector that results in the corresponding objectives (Klasen, 2005).

The decision of which design to use for the baseline design is ultimately left up to the customer, and it depends on their preference for particular objectives and the shape of the NDF itself. However, the customer should always choose a design that falls on the Pareto front. All other designs can be improved in at least one objective without being penalized in other objectives. Attractive design possibilities for the customer include designs at the extremes of the NDF and at “knees” in the curve or surface. Designs located at the “knees” of the NDF are of interest because of their sharp increase in, for example, effectiveness with a relatively small increase in cost and/or uncertainty (Good and Brown, 2006). The “knee” of the sample NDF is encircled in Figure 3.

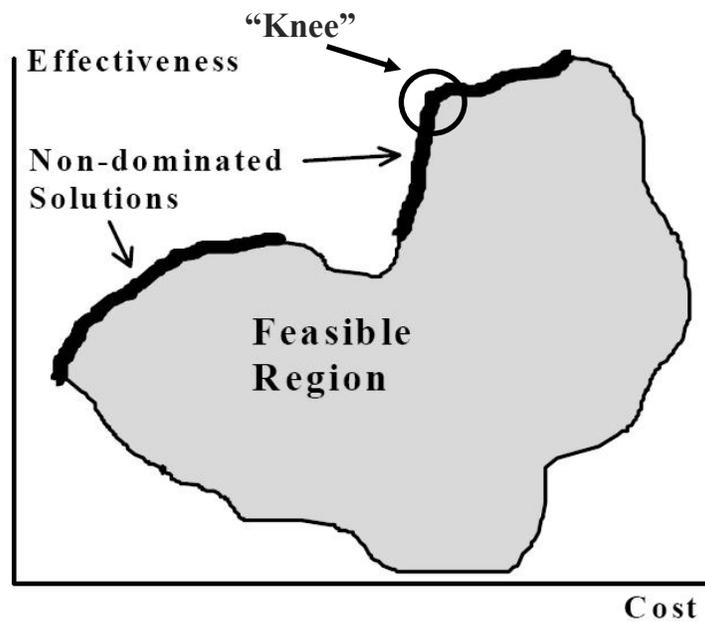


Figure 3 - Two Objective Attribute Space (Brown and Thomas, 1998)

Since most optimization algorithms tend to push the set of design solutions to one or more constraint boundaries, the baseline design selected from the NDF might be infeasible if there are even minor uncertainties associated with the problem definition or synthesis model. In a deterministic analysis, the probability that the baseline design will actually perform as predicted in terms of cost and effectiveness has not been considered. In reality, there is a great risk that the chosen design may under perform in terms of overall effectiveness, cost more than initially expected, or have a small chance of meeting constraint requirements. As a result, there is a need to address uncertainty in any design optimization problem to produce both effective and reliable results (Klasen, 2005).

If the chosen baseline design is deemed too risky, it is not sufficient to simply select a more reliable design from the two-dimensional NDF. If uncertainty has not been included in the optimization process, there may not even be a more reliable design on the Pareto front. More reliable designs might be located well below the Pareto front in the feasible region of Figure 3. Therefore, the optimization process must be performed with a constraint on uncertainty, or uncertainty must be treated as a third objective. Confidence of Success (CoS) is the probability that a specific design will satisfy all constraints and meet performance objectives, and it is treated as a third objective in this work. With CoS included as a third objective, the designer has the ability to make design decisions that are effective, efficient, and reliable (Klasen, 2005). A sample NDF in three objective space is shown in Figure 4. The three objectives optimized in this analysis are effectiveness, cost, and CoS.

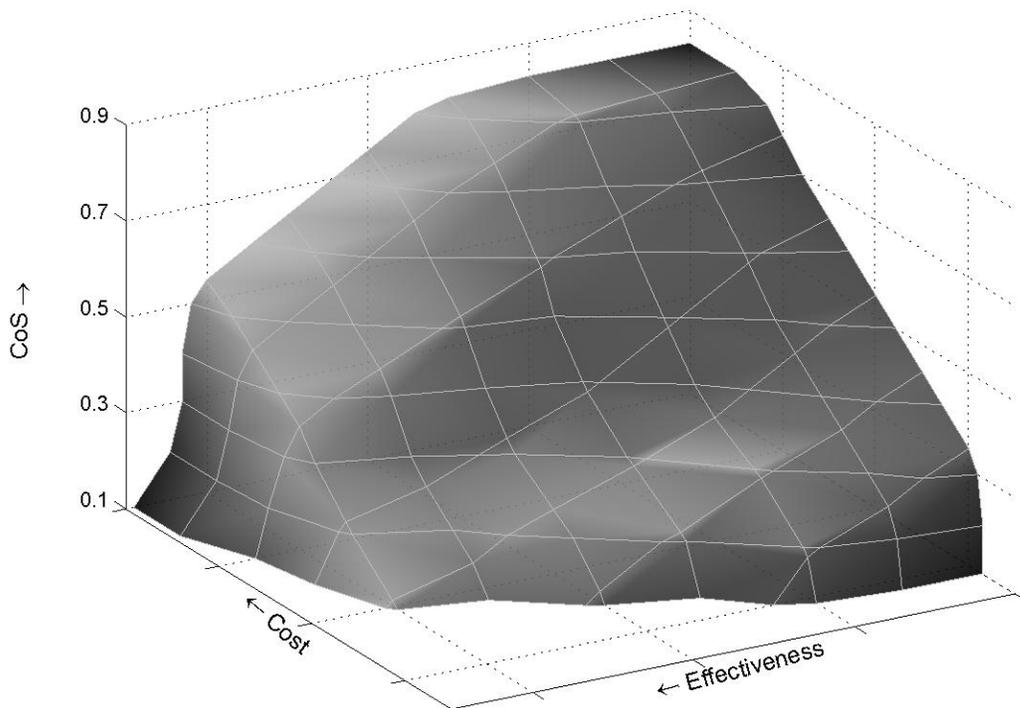


Figure 4 - Three Objective Attribute Space (Klasen, 2005)

2.1 Handling System Uncertainty

Sources of system uncertainty are abundant, and they come from both qualitative and quantitative sources. Qualitative sources of uncertainty arise from categorical variables that cannot be measured on a well-defined numerical scale such as value, environmental impact, corrosion, skill, experience, and other human factors. In this work, the OMOE (Overall Measure of Effectiveness) function is based on a collection of categorical variables and is thus a source of qualitative uncertainty. Quantitative sources of uncertainty arise from modeling and simulation errors and statistical errors due to physical observation randomness. Physical observation randomness occurs when repeated measurements of the same physical parameter do not yield the same value due to instrument precision, environmental fluctuations, and human factors. When there is a large sample size, reliable information about the variability of the measured physical parameter can be obtained and statistical uncertainty is reduced. However, when the number of observations is limited, statistical uncertainty increases (Klasen, 2005).

This work focuses on analyzing the quantitative uncertainty associated with modeling and simulation errors. Modeling and simulation errors occur due to discrepancies between computational predictions and real world values. These errors are critical in the analysis of multi-disciplinary models such as a ship synthesis model due to interlinking modules. The computational output of one discipline is typically the input of another discipline, allowing a small initial uncertainty to grow as it progresses through the model. As a result, it is critical that system uncertainty is addressed in any optimization problem to ensure reliable results (Klasen, 2005).

There are a large number of different approaches devoted to handling system uncertainty. Most of these approaches can be classified into three categories: random sampling, design of experiments (DOE), and sensitivity based approaches. These three categories are briefly discussed in the following sections. The most efficient approach is strongly problem dependent, as there is typically a trade-off between accuracy and computational cost. For the multi-objective design optimization of a multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model, the system uncertainty approach of choice must have a low computational cost due the computational burden associated with a complex model and genetic optimization algorithm (GA). Therefore, the CoS calculation in this work is based only on the first steps of the Mean Value method (MV), i.e. a first order Taylor series expansion, classifying it as a sensitivity based approach. This method is discussed in greater detail in Section 2.1.4.3 (Klasen, 2005).

2.1.1 Random Sampling

The most famous and fundamental random sampling technique is Monte Carlo Simulation (MCS). MCS randomly generates values for uncertain variables over and over to simulate a model or process. MCS was named after Monte Carlo, Monaco, where the primary attraction is gambling in casinos via games of chance such as dice, roulette wheels, and slot machines. The random behavior of games such as these is very similar to how MCS selects random values for uncertain variables to simulate a model or process. Each variable has a known range of values and a probability distribution but an uncertain value at any moment in time (Decisioneering, 2005). MCS is considered to be

the most accurate and precise method for calculating probability distributions of system responses with uncertainty. However, MCS typically calls for tens of thousands of system evaluations, leading to a computational cost too high for practical analysis of a multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model. For this reason, MCS is only used in this work as a means to compare CoS calculations and calculate CoS accuracy. MCS can be made more practical through the use of variance reduction techniques such as Descriptive Sampling and the Antithetic Variate technique (Klasen, 2005).

2.1.2 Design of Experiments (DOE)

A design of experiments (DOE) is an approach that establishes the relationship between parameters affecting a model or process and the output or response of that model or process. In DOE, a matrix is constructed in a structured and organized fashion that specifies the values for the uncertain variables for each sample DP. The possible values for the uncertain variables are defined by a range, a nominal baseline plus or minus a specified percent, or through specified discrete choices instead of using a probability distribution. Once the uncertain variable potential values have been defined, DOE evaluations can be performed. Each DOE evaluation is a combination of the defined potential values, resulting in a computational cost typically less than MCS. However, DOE approximations are typically less accurate than MCS approximations as well (Klasen, 2005).

2.1.3 Sensitivity Based Approach

A sensitivity analysis is a procedure used to determine the sensitivity of a system response to changes in system parameters, such as uncertain DVs. Sensitivity based approaches are typically based on first or second order Taylor series expansions. In sensitivity based approaches, response gradients are calculated at the mean values of the uncertain DVs instead of sampling across known probability distributions or ranges of uncertain DVs (Klasen, 2005).

Assuming that $Z(\mathbf{X})$ is differentiable, the first-order Taylor series approximation for the performance response $Z = Z(\mathbf{X})$ around the point μ_x is:

$$Z(\mathbf{X}) \approx Z(\mu_x) + \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial Z}{\partial X_i} \right)_{\mu} \cdot (X_i - \mu_{X_i}) \tag{1}$$

where μ_{X_i} is the mean of uncertain variable i and n is the number of uncertain variables. When the uncertain variables, \mathbf{X} , are set to their mean value μ_x , the expected value of Z can be calculated as:

$$E(Z) \approx Z(\mu_x) \tag{2}$$

The variance of Z is given by:

$$V(Z) = \sigma_z^2 \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial Z}{\partial X_i} \right)_{\mu}^2 \cdot \sigma_{X_i}^2 \tag{3}$$

where σ_{X_i} is the standard deviation of uncertain variable i .

A first order Taylor series expansion requires a minimum of $(n+1)$ evaluations for complete analysis. This approach is exceptionally accurate when performance responses are close to linear, and the computational cost is typically much lower than other methods

such as MCS and DOE. For nonlinear response functions, a first order Taylor series expansion is generally not sufficiently accurate. When dealing with simple problems, higher-order Taylor series expansions can be used to improve the accuracy of the approximation. However, for problems involving a large number of uncertain variables, higher-order Taylor series expansions become difficult to obtain and inefficient as the computational cost increases significantly (Wu et al., 2002). For example, a second order Taylor series expansion requires $(n+1)*(n+2)/2$ evaluations for complete analysis (Klasen, 2005).

2.1.4 Mean Value Methods

Mean value methods utilize most probable point (MPP) analysis, and they are typically based on first order Taylor series expansions, classifying them as sensitivity based approaches. These methods are appropriate for “smooth” close to linear response functions that are computationally intensive (Thacker et al., 2001). As a result, mean value methods are used in the development of a CoS function used to analyze the uncertainty in a multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model.

Mean value methods approximate a cumulative distribution function (CDF) of the response function, which can be differentiated to obtain a probability density function (PDF). In the analysis, a response Z is defined as a function of the uncertain random variables \mathbf{X} . Each point in the design space spanned by \mathbf{X} has a specific probability density according to the joint probability density function (JPDF) of the uncertain random variables (RVs). Therefore every response value $Z(\mathbf{X})$ has an associated probability density (Klasen, 2005).

These methods can also be used to perform parameter variation analysis, which is a useful tool to understand how the response functions vary with changes in the uncertain RVs. This has been implemented in the NESSUS probabilistic analysis software. More information about this software and mean value methods in general can be found in the *NESSUS Theoretical Manual* (Southwest, 2001).

2.1.4.1 Limit State Function (LSF)

The limit state or failure surface that separates the design space into feasible and infeasible regions is $g(\mathbf{X}) = 0$. For an arbitrary response function Z , $g(\mathbf{X})$ is defined as:

$$g(\mathbf{X}) = Z(\mathbf{X}) - Z_{ls} = 0 \quad (4)$$

where the limit state value Z_{ls} is a specific value of the response function Z . Examples of an exact LSF and an approximate LSF can be seen in Figure 5.

2.1.4.2 Most Probable Point (MPP) Analysis

The most probable point (MPP) is defined as the point along the LSF where the uncertain variable combination yields the highest probability of occurrence. The first step in obtaining the MPP is approximating a LSF at the mean of the random uncertain variables. The original random uncertain variables must then be transformed into independent, normal RVs if they are not already. For a JPDF involving two standard normal and independent variables, the final step is to then calculate the minimum distance from the origin of the JPDF to the LSF. This point is identified as the MPP in standard normal space, and an example can be seen in Figure 5 (Thacker et al., 2001).

For nonlinear limit states, identifying the MPP becomes an optimization problem in itself. Once the MPP has been identified, LSFs can be approximated at the MPP using polynomial functions (Klasen, 2005).

2.1.4.3 The Mean Value Method (MV)

As mentioned earlier, the Mean Value method (MV) is a sensitivity based approach based on a first order Taylor series expansion. Assuming the response function Z is “smooth” or can be “smoothed” and that a first order Taylor series expansion of Z exists at the mean μ_x of the uncertain variables \mathbf{X} , the response function Z can be expressed as:

$$Z(\mathbf{X}) = Z(\mu_x) + \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial Z}{\partial X_i} \right)_{\mu} \cdot (X_i - \mu_{X_i}) + H(\mathbf{X}) \tag{5}$$

$$= a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \cdot (X_i - \mu_{X_i}) + H(\mathbf{X}) \tag{6}$$

$$= Z_{MV}(\mathbf{X}) + H(\mathbf{X}) \tag{7}$$

where the derivatives are evaluated at the mean of the uncertain variables, μ_{X_i} is the mean of uncertain variable i , and n is the number of uncertain variables. $Z_{MV}(\mathbf{X})$ represents the MV method function and is the sum of the first order terms only; $H(\mathbf{X})$ represents the remaining higher order terms. The coefficient a_0 is simply the expected value of Z at the mean values, and the coefficients a_i can generally be computed using numerical differentiation through a minimum of $(n+1)$ Z -function evaluations (Wu et al., 2002). Since the function $Z_{MV}(\mathbf{X})$ is linear and explicit, a CDF can be calculated and differentiated to obtain a PDF. Figure 5 displays the JPDF of two independent standard normal variables. The MPP, the exact LSF of an arbitrary response function Z , and the MV approximated LSF of Z are plotted on this figure. The approximate LSF is used to define the infeasible region of the design space, which has been cut away from the JPDF, leaving the feasible region and appropriate probability density only.

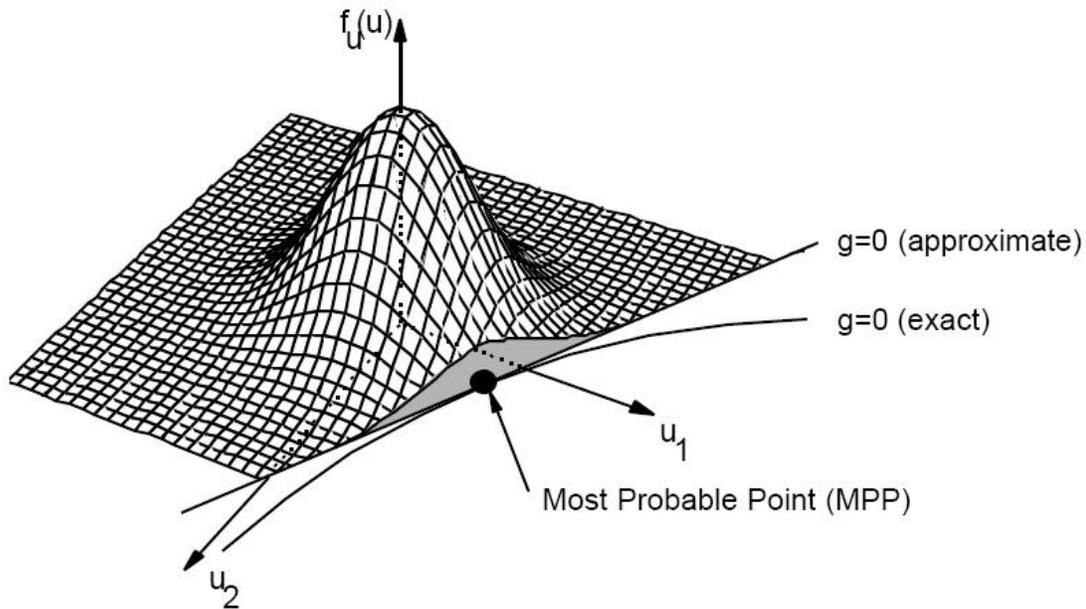


Figure 5 - JPDF in two variable standard normal space (Thacker et al., 2001)

For nonlinear response functions, the first order Taylor series expansion approximation of MV is generally not sufficiently accurate. When dealing with simple problems, increasing the order of the Taylor series expansion can improve the accuracy of the approximation. However, for problems involving a large number of uncertain variables, higher-order Taylor series expansions become unattractive since they are difficult to obtain and inefficient as the computational cost increases significantly. The Advanced Mean Value method (AMV) described in the following section provides an alternative that improves upon the MV solution with a minimum number of additional Z-function evaluations (Wu et al., 2002).

2.1.4.4 The Advanced Mean Value Method (AMV)

The Advanced Mean Value method (AMV) improves upon the MV solution by introducing a simple correction procedure used to compensate for the errors associated with the truncation of the Taylor series expansion. The AMV model is defined as:

$$Z_{AMV} = Z_{MV} + H(Z_{MV}) \tag{8}$$

where $H(Z_{MV})$ is defined as the difference between the calculated values of Z and Z_{MV} at the Most Probable Point Locus (MPPL) of Z_{MV} . The MPPL is defined by connecting the MPPs for different values of Z_{ls} . AMV reduces the truncation error by replacing the higher-order terms of the Taylor series expansion with a simplified function $H(Z_{MV})$. The truncation error is still not optimum due to this approximation, but the MV generated MPPs are typically close to the exact MPPs, making AMV a reasonably good solution.

AMV can also provide information about the non-linear properties of the LSF to identify potential problems. However, assuming that a numerical differentiation scheme is used to define Z_{MV} , the required number of Z-function evaluations increases from $(n+1)$ to $(n+1+m)$, where n is the number of random uncertain variables and m is the number of CDF levels used for the correction of the MV generated CDF (Wu et al., 2002). Due to the extra evaluations associated with AMV, a CoS calculation based only on MV is used in this work when linear approximations are applicable.

2.1.4.5 Linear Dependence

It has been suggested that a probabilistic approach to handling uncertainties could lead to very accurate multi-objective design optimization. However, the handling of uncertainties in such a complicated optimization process can become very complex. It is inadequate to simply look at each criterion and its associated distribution independently due to the fact that all design attributes are interdependent. Therefore, one cannot assume that criteria are independent of each other, and a method of measuring correlation is needed (Klasen, 2005).

One linear relationship between multiple RVs is called covariance, and it is defined as:

$$Cov(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) \tag{9}$$

where X and Y are RVs. When X and Y are independent of each other, the covariance is equal to zero. When the covariance is not equal to zero, there is a relationship between X and Y. The covariance is closely related to the correlation between the random variables X and Y. Correlation is defined as:

$$\rho_{XY} = \frac{Cov(X,Y)}{\sqrt{\sigma_X^2 \sigma_Y^2}} \quad (10)$$

where ρ_{XY} is termed the correlation coefficient and ranges from -1 to +1. A correlation coefficient of exactly 1 indicates perfect positive linear dependence. This means that as Y increases, X also increases. A correlation coefficient of exactly -1 indicates perfect negative linear dependence. This means that as Y increases, X decreases. The correlation coefficient is expected to be close to zero if the RVs are independent of each other. In general, perfect positive/negative linear dependence or perfect linear independence is rare. Therefore, the correlation between two variables is considered strong when the correlation coefficient is between 0.8 and 1, weak when the correlation coefficient is between 0 and 0.5, and moderate otherwise.

2.2 Confidence of Success Concept

The initial Confidence of Success (CoS) concept, and its calculation for two uncertain variables, was developed by Emanuel Klasen (2005) at VT AOE. The concept is described in detail in Appendix A, and the two variable Matlab code is presented with comments in Appendix E.

2.3 Proof of Concept

The applicability and usability of Klasen’s CoS calculation was investigated through its implementation in the optimization of a simplified multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model. The optimization process concluded after 70 hours of searching the objective space for non-dominated designs due to lack of improvement. The optimization process examined 215 generations, each with a population of 300 individual designs. There were a total of 46,079 deterministic infeasible and 18,422 deterministic feasible designs evaluated in the optimization process. Of these thousands of designs, 260 design solutions were preserved for the construction of the Pareto front, which is presented in Figure 6 as a three-dimensional scatter plot. Validation of the CoS calculation was performed by comparing a CoS and MCS calculation (100,000 system evaluations) for the DDG 51 DP and other random DPs (Klasen, 2005). The DDG 51 DP is described in detail in Section 3.2.1 and Appendix B. The results for the DDG 51 DP are shown in Table 2. The criteria listed in Table 2 include the three objectives (CTOC, OMOE, and CoS) as well as the eight constraints used by Klasen, which are described in greater detail in Section 3.2.4. Percentages represent the probability of feasibility for each specific criterion. For more details about Klasen’s results, please see Chapter 5 of his paper “Confidence of Success in Multi-Criteria Optimization of Multi-Disciplinary Ship Design Models” (2005).

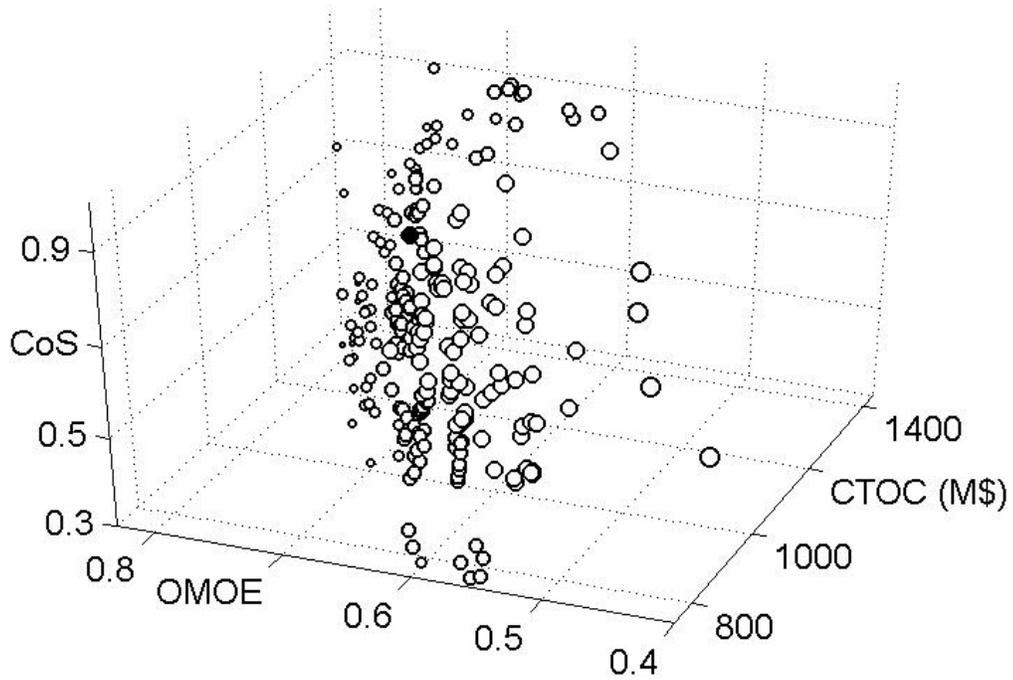


Figure 6 - Objective Space scattered with Pareto Optimal DPs – from Klasen (2005)

Table 2 - CoS Calculation compared to MCS for DDG 51 DP – from Klasen (2005)

Criterion	MCS (%)	CoS (%)	Error (%)
CTOC	98.25	98.17	-0.08
OMOE	100.00	99.99	-0.01
Ata	95.97	95.99	0.02
Ada	100.00	99.99	-0.01
Vs	100.00	99.99	-0.01
KWg	100.00	99.99	-0.01
Cgmbmin	97.06	96.93	-0.13
Cgmbmax	99.99	99.98	-0.01
D10	100.00	99.99	-0.01
E	62.19	62.31	0.12
CoS	58.16	58.13	-0.03

3 Model Setup

Multi-objective design optimization considering uncertainty via a CoS calculation was performed using a multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model. Hardware used for this computation intensive task was a twin-processor Dell PSW650: Xeon 2x2.66 GHz CPU, 1.0 GB RAM. The ship synthesis model is described in greater detail later in this Chapter.

3.1 ModelCenter

ModelCenter version 6.1 is a commercial process integration and design optimization software package developed by Phoenix Integration, Inc. used to build and execute complex engineering models. ModelCenter (MC) provides a visual environment in which design processes can be assembled as a series of linked applications with a single interface in order to easily perform multi-disciplinary analysis. MC automatically connects design data from one application to the next, producing an automated multi-disciplinary design environment. More information about MC can be found at <http://www.phoenix-int.com/>.

3.2 Ship Synthesis Model

The multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model used in this project has been under development at VT AOE for several years. The history of its development, additions, and modifications can be found in Brown (1998) and Stepanchick (2006). This particular ship synthesis model was constructed to represent modern United States Navy (USN) surface combatants (SC) such as Ticonderoga Class Cruisers (CG), Arleigh Burke Class large multi-role Destroyers (DDG), and Oliver Hazard Perry Class Frigates (FFG). The DDG 51 Arleigh Burke was selected as a model evaluation DP and was chosen as the initial design in all optimization efforts.

3.2.1 DDG 51 Arleigh Burke

The Arleigh Burke (Figure 7) is a guided missile destroyer highlighted by its AEGIS combat system. The main emphasis of its design is AAW, but it is also very capable of other warfare areas such as ASW and ASUW. In addition, the design emphasizes seakeeping, stealth, and survivability. For example, its construction is all steel except for an aluminum mast, and it is provided with a collective protection system (CPS) to guard against CBR attack. Radar cross section has also been reduced significantly. There are minimal differences between Flight I (DDG 52-71) and Flight II (DDG 72-78). DDG 51 lacks some of the features included in these later ships, such as helicopter refueling and re-arming facilities. The most noticeable modification from Flight II to Flight IIA was the addition of dual helicopter hangars and full aviation support facilities (Toppan, 2003).



Figure 7 - USS Arleigh Burke - DDG 51 (Doehring, 2006)

3.2.2 Ship Synthesis Model Components

The optimization process for the complete model setup is displayed in Figure 8. The complete model is comprised of an input module, primary ship synthesis model modules, a constraint module, three objective modules, a numerical differentiation calculation, and a genetic algorithm (GA).

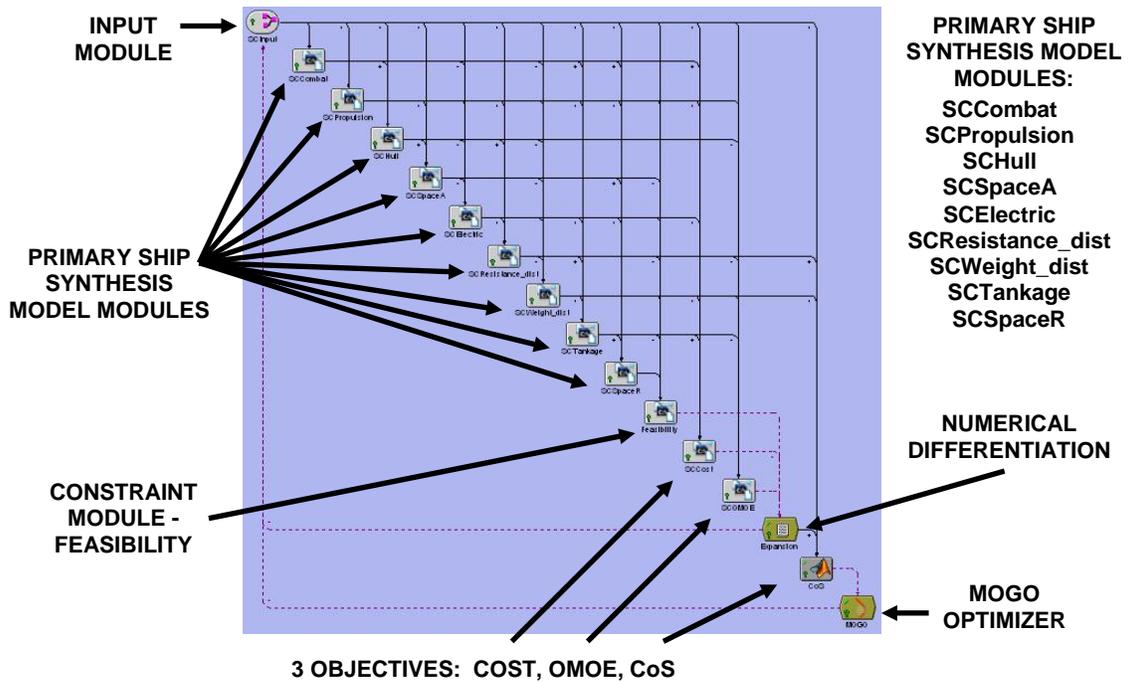


Figure 8 - Ship Synthesis Model in ModelCenter

The primary ship synthesis model is comprised of several interlinked modules, each focusing on one specific discipline, such as propulsion, hullform, or resistance. Modules can easily be added or removed in the MC environment, allowing the model to more accurately represent the mission definition. All modules in this model are coded in Fortran, but MC also has Excel, Mathcad, and Matlab plug-ins. In addition, integration software allows calculations from other applications, such as CFD or FEM, to be included (Klasen, 2005). ASSET can also be integrated into the MC environment.

Each individual design is balanced in the Weight and Stability Module using the fuel weight parameter. All weights considered in the model are summed to determine the ship's overall weight without fuel. Fuel weight is then calculated as the difference between the calculated weights without fuel and the ship's displacement. Each balanced design's attributes are then compared to the functional requirements of the design. These requirements arise due to constraints, such as sustained speed and endurance range, placed on each design. There is no iterative design balancing; each individual design either fulfills requirements or does not and is deemed either feasible or infeasible. All infeasible designs are penalized by the optimizer, causing a thorough search of the entire design space for feasible solutions. In addition, CoS is automatically set to zero for infeasible DPs, eliminating unnecessary iterations and computational work required for probability calculations (Klasen, 2005).

All model components except for the numerical differentiation calculation, probability calculation, and GA are described below. These other components are described in greater detail later this Chapter. It should also be noted that each module is much more detailed than presented in this work. This report simply gives a brief overview of the model so that the results can be better understood. More information about the model itself can be obtained from Dr. Alan Brown at VT AOE.

- Input Module – Compiles, interprets, and processes the input DVs and other design parameters. The Input Module is linked to all of the other modules.
- Combat Systems Module – Calculates payload characteristics such as SWBS weight, vertical center of gravity, area, and power for each combat system combination based on the selected DVs from the Input Module and data from the Combat Systems Database. Combat Systems DVs include AAW, ASUW, ASW, CCC, NSFS, SEW, GMLS, SDS, and LAMPS.
- Propulsion Module – Retrieves propulsion characteristics for a specific system from the Propulsion System Database and calculates propulsive efficiency based on the propulsion system DV. Information in the Propulsion System Database is based on manufacturer data and ASSET calculations.
- Hullform Module – Uses inputs to calculate total hull surface area, full load displaced volume, sonar dome information, and other basic hullform coefficients.
- Space Available Module – Uses naval architecture analyses to calculate available space dimensions. Inputs include basic hullform characteristics, deck house volume, full load displacement volume, machinery box characteristics, number of propulsors, and hull flare angle. Outputs include total hull volume, hull cubic number, total ship volume, and actual machinery box dimensions.
- Electric Power Module – Uses data from the other modules and parametric equations with margins to estimate the ship power requirements with margins.

This module assumes one ship service generator is unavailable, uses a power factor of 0.9, and uses the electric load analysis method from DDS 310-1. Ship manpower requirements are also calculated in this module using regression-based equations (Stepanchick and Brown, 2006).

- Resistance Module – Utilizes the Holtrop-Mennen method (Holtrop, 1984) to calculate the bare hull resistance of each ship design. Wind resistance and appendage resistance are also calculated and added to the bare hull resistance to calculate total resistance and effective power. The propulsive coefficient used in this module is approximated, and sustained speed is calculated based on total BHP available with a 25% margin. Outputs of this module include SHP required, sustained speed, and propeller diameter (Stepanchick and Brown, 2006).
- Weight and Stability Module – Uses inputs and parametric equations to evaluate SWBS weights and calculate the overall ship weight without fuel. Available fuel weight is then the difference between the calculated overall ship weight without fuel and the full load displacement. Individual weights and their respective vertical centers of gravity (VCGs) are used to determine the overall ship center of gravity (KG). Other outputs include full load displacement, lightship weight (W_l), SWBS weights, load characteristics, center of buoyancy (KB), and the GM/B ratio.
- Tankage Module – Calculates total tank volume, propulsion fuel tank volume, endurance range, and gallons of fuel used per year. The propulsion fuel tank volume is calculated using the calculated fuel weight from the Weight and Stability Module, and other tankage such as ballast, water, sewage, and waste tanks are calculated using parametric equations. The fuel tankage calculation is based on DDS-200-1.
- Space Required Module – Calculates the total space required using parametric equations. Inputs include hullform characteristics, total tankage volume, machinery volume, total hull volume, payload area, inlet and exhaust area, endurance days, hull cubic number, and manning requirements. Outputs include both required and available hull and deck house areas.
- Feasibility Module – Determines the overall feasibility of each SC design by comparing available design parameters to required design parameters. This constraint module is described in more detail in Section 3.2.4.
- Cost Module – Calculates lead ship acquisition cost, average follow ship acquisition cost, and follow ship total ownership cost (CTOC) using a weight-based cost model. This objective module is described in more detail in Section 3.2.5.1.
- Effectiveness Module – Calculates the Value of Performance (VOP) for each Measure of Performance (MOP) such as Anti-Air Warfare (AAW), Intelligence, and Sustained Speed. The dot product of this specific VOP vector and the MOP weight vector generates an OMOE value between 0 and 1 for a particular ship design. This objective module is described in more detail in Section 3.2.5.2.

3.2.3 Design Parameters and Variables

Each ship design is defined by 47 input parameters. Input parameters consist of both design variables (DVs) and fixed constants. This ship synthesis model uses 26 DVs, 9 continuous and 17 discrete, to search the design space for the Pareto optimal set. Continuous DVs include parameters such as length at waterline, design draft, and prismatic coefficient; discrete DVs include parameters such as ballast type, propulsion system, and combat system selection. Both continuous and discrete DVs are defined in Table 3. The remaining input parameters are set as either fixed constants or fixed constraints in accordance with the DDG 51 DP. All 47 model input parameters, DDG 51 DP values, and DV boundaries are listed in Appendix B.

Table 3 - Surface Combatant Design Variables

Variable	Description	Type	DDG 51	min	max
LWL	Length at Waterline (m)	Continuous	141.8	125.0	160.0
B	Beam at Waterline (m)	Continuous	17.9	15.0	20.0
D10	Hull Depth at Station 10 (m)	Continuous	12.8	10.0	14.0
T	Design Draft (m)	Continuous	6.1	5.0	7.0
Cp	Prismatic Coefficient	Continuous	0.607	0.550	0.700
Cx	Maximum Section Coefficient	Continuous	0.818	0.700	0.900
Crd	Raised Deck Coefficient	Continuous	0.8	0.7	1.0
VD	Deckhouse Volume (m ³)	Continuous	5400	3000	6000
CDHMAT	Deckhouse Material Type	Discrete	1	1	2
BALtype	Ballast Type	Discrete	1	0	1
PSYS	Propulsion System	Discrete	3	1	17
GSYS	Generator System	Discrete	1	1	8
Ts	Stores Duration (days)	Discrete	60	45	60
Ncps	Collective Protection System	Discrete	1	0	2
CMan	Manning Reduction Factor	Continuous	1	0.5	1.0
AAW	Anti-Air Warfare System	Discrete	3	1	10
ASUW	Anti-Surface Warfare System	Discrete	1	1	4
ASW	Anti-Submarine Warfare System	Discrete	2	1	9
NSFS	Naval Surface Fire Support System	Discrete	1	1	2
CCC	Command, Control, Communications System	Discrete	2	1	5
SEW	Signal & Electronic Warfare System	Discrete	2	1	2
GMLS	Guided Missile Launch System	Discrete	2	1	7
LAMPS	Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System	Discrete	2	1	3
SDS	Self-Defense System	Discrete	2	1	3
Ndegaus	Degaussing System	Discrete	1	0	1
Nfins	Number of Pairs of Fins	Discrete	0	0	1

3.2.4 Constraints

Constraints are applied within the Feasibility Module. The Feasibility Module determines the overall feasibility of each SC design by comparing available design parameters to required design parameters. This is done through the use of an error function, which is shown here for the case of a lower boundary (Klasen, 2005):

$$\text{error} = \frac{\text{parameter value} - \text{constraint value}}{\text{constraint value}} \quad (11)$$

A ship design is infeasible if any of the constraints are violated, i.e. if any of the constraint error values are negative. The nine constraints defined in this ship synthesis model are listed in Table 4. There are four static constraints and five dynamic constraints. Static constraints are constant for every ship design, while dynamic constraints move their boundaries based on other DP attributes.

Table 4 - Surface Combatant Design Constraints

Parameter	Constraint	Type	Boundary
Ata	Total Available Area	Minimum	Dynamic
Ada	Available Deckhouse Area	Minimum	Dynamic
Vs	Sustained Speed	Minimum	28 knots
Pbpend	Brake Propulsion Power at Endurance Speed	Minimum	Dynamic
KWg	Generator Electric Power	Minimum	Dynamic
Cgmbmin	Minimum GM to Beam Ratio	Minimum	0.05
Cgmbmax	Maximum GM to Beam Ratio	Maximum	0.15
D10	Hull Depth at Station 10	Minimum	Dynamic
E	Endurance Range	Minimum	3500 nm

3.2.5 Objectives

The two original objectives in the ship synthesis model are to minimize cost and to maximize overall effectiveness. The specific cost that is minimized in this analysis is total ownership cost, which is represented by the variable CTOC. Overall effectiveness is quantified by a parameter called the Overall Measure of Effectiveness (OMOE). A third objective, Confidence of Success (CoS), is added to examine the effects of uncertainty in the ship synthesis model. CoS merges reliability based and robust based design approaches into an uncertainty calculation. Specifically, CoS is the probability that a specific ship design will satisfy all constraints and meet performance objectives (Klasen, 2005).

3.2.5.1 Total Ownership Cost (CTOC)

The first objective attribute analyzed in the optimization is total ownership cost (CTOC). Figure 9 displays the components of total lead ship acquisition cost that are calculated in the Cost Module. Construction costs are calculated for each SWBS weight group using a basic weight-based algorithm that also accounts for producibility characteristics. The sum of all SWBS weight group construction costs including engineering, assembly, and required support is called the Basic Cost of Construction (BCC). This Cost Module also accounts for inflation and other financial effects. Follow-ship cost is calculated for the middle ($N_s/2$) ship of the run, accounting for cost reductions in construction, assembly, and support due to learning and experience. Follow ship total ownership cost (CTOC) is then the sum of average follow ship acquisition cost, discounted life cycle fuel cost over 30 years, and discounted life cycle manning cost over 30 years (Good and Brown, 2006).

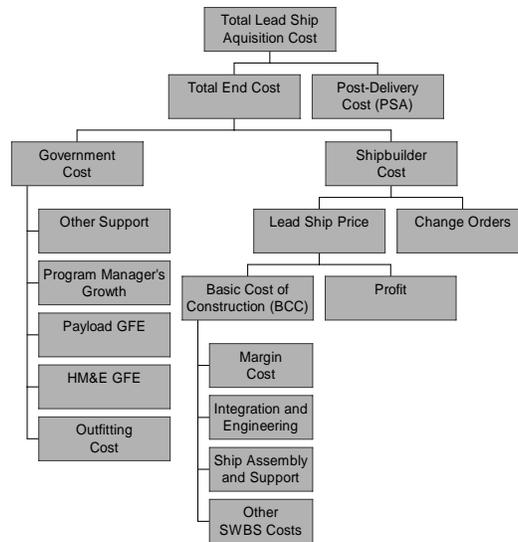


Figure 9 - Naval Ship Acquisition Cost Components (Good and Brown, 2006)

3.2.5.2 Overall Measure of Effectiveness (OMOE)

The second objective attribute analyzed in the optimization is overall effectiveness, which is quantified by a parameter called the Overall Measure of Effectiveness (OMOE). OMOE is a quantitative measure of a ship's ability to perform over a range of mission types and mission scenarios. OMOE ranges from 0.0 to 1.0: an OMOE of 0.0 represents the least effective ship design possible in the given design space; an OMOE of 1.0 represents the most effective ship design possible in the given design space (Good and Brown, 2006). In practice, however, there may not be a feasible design with an OMOE close to 1.0. Other important terms used in describing the development of the OMOE metric include:

- Mission or Mission Type Measure of Effectiveness (MOE) – quantitative measure of merit between 0.0 and 1.0 for a specific mission scenario or mission type (Good and Brown, 2006).
- Measure of Performance (MOP) - specific ship or system performance metric independent of mission scenario or mission type, i.e. AAW, sustained speed, endurance range, etc. (Good and Brown, 2006).
- Value of Performance (VOP) - quantitative measure of merit between 0.0 and 1.0 that specifies the value of a particular MOP to a specific mission area for a particular mission type (Good and Brown, 2006).

USN defense policy and goals, projected operational environment (POE) and threat, mission need, modeling and simulation, war gaming results, and expert opinion are only some of the inputs that must be considered when developing an OMOE metric. Since extensive modeling and simulation capabilities do not exist yet for practical applications, an alternative method is to use expert opinion to directly integrate these various inputs using MOPs and VOPs in an OMOE function. This can be structured as a multi-attribute decision problem, and a Multi-Attribute Value (MAV) function approach was used in this work to derive an OMOE function (Brown, 2006 & Brown, 1998). MOPs are determined

based on DVs and required operational capabilities (ROCs). Goal and threshold values or options are identified for each MOP, and MOP weights are calculated using pair-wise comparison and expert opinion. The 20 MOPs used in this report, along with their associated weights, are listed in Appendix C. The dot product of the MOP weight vector and a specific VOP vector generates an OMOE value between 0.0 and 1.0 for a particular ship design (Good and Brown, 2006):

$$OMOE = g[VOP_i(MOP_i)] = \sum_i w_i VOP_i(MOP_i) \quad (12)$$

It should also be noted that 9 of the 20 MOPs originate directly from combat system selection, and they represent almost 77% of the entire OMOE metric.

3.2.5.3 Confidence of Success (CoS)

A third objective, Confidence of Success (CoS), is added to examine the effects of uncertainty in the ship synthesis model. CoS merges reliability based and robust based design approaches into an uncertainty calculation. Specifically, CoS is the probability that a specific ship design will satisfy all constraints and meet performance objectives (Klasen, 2005). The CoS computation is divided into two distinct steps, each represented in the ship synthesis model as an individual component. The first step is a numerical differentiation calculation designed to obtain the required criteria responses. The second step is a probability calculation that trims away the infeasible portion of the JPDF. The optimization process is accelerated by setting CoS equal to zero for all deterministically infeasible DPs, eliminating the need for excessive CoS calculations. Although it is theoretically possible to calculate non-zero CoS values for deterministically infeasible DPs, it is unlikely that any decision maker would be interested in a deterministically infeasible design (Klasen, 2005).

3.2.5.3.1 Numerical Differentiation

The Numerical Differentiation calculation obtains the criteria responses Z and other necessary components of Equation (A1) by using a user-specified Δ -step for each uncertain RV. This calculation is coded in Visual Basic script, and it is presented with comments in Appendix D. The variable Δ is configured to represent the standard deviation σ of a standard normal $N(0, \sigma)$ variable. The CoS GUI, shown in Figure 10, allows the user to select the Δ -step of each uncertain RV. In this work, Δ is set equal to 1 for all RVs being examined. This yields $Y = \mu_y \cdot (1 + \delta_x \cdot 1)$ in Equation (13) (Klasen, 2005).

distResponse	Limit state ratio from mean	Over (1) / under (0) not wanted
SCCoS.SCCost.CTOC	0.0274	1
SCCoS.SCOMOE.OMOE	-0.0158	0
SCCoS.Feasibility.Eta	0	0
SCCoS.Feasibility.Eda	0	0
SCCoS.Feasibility.Evs	0	0
SCCoS.Feasibility.Eve	0	0
SCCoS.Feasibility.Ekw	0	0
SCCoS.Feasibility.Egmin	0	0
SCCoS.Feasibility.Egmax	0	0
SCCoS.Feasibility.ED10	0	0
SCCoS.Feasibility.Ee	0	0

distVariable	Step
SCCoS.SCInput.distResist	1
SCCoS.SCInput.distWeight	1

Figure 10 - CoS GUI

A large Δ -step minimizes the effect of small fluctuations within an otherwise monotonic response function. However, larger Δ -step values also lead to a greater risk that the response function will be highly nonlinear and/or discontinuous within the specified Δ range. Therefore, the Δ -step value should not fall within the outer percentiles of the standard normal variable distribution since these specific values have a small probability of occurring and are not representative of the behavior of the majority of the response function (Klasen, 2005).

In this work, all nine constraints and both the cost and overall effectiveness objectives are used as criteria for the CoS evaluation. The LSF of each criterion is constructed in a manner such that the limit state is expressed as a fraction of the deterministic mean of each specific criterion. For example, consider an arbitrary response function where the limit state ratio from the mean (See Figure 10) is defined as -0.05. Then $g = Z_{MV} - Z_{ls} = Z_{MV} - 1.05 \cdot \mu_{ZMV} = 0$. Figure 10 shows that the LSF of the cost objective is activated at the deterministic CTOC mean plus 2.74%, while the LSF of the overall effectiveness objective is activated at the deterministic OMOE mean minus 1.58%. This means that the optimizer is searching for designs that have the highest probability of not being 2.74% more expensive than predicted and not being worse than 98.42% of the predicted overall effectiveness. The origin of these percentages is discussed in greater detail in Section 4.1. Setting the limit state ratio equal to zero results in Z_{ls} being defined as zero, which is applicable to the error functions of the nine constraints. The “Over (1) / under (0) not wanted” column is used to define the infeasible region. By typing a 1 in this column, $g > 0$ is considered infeasible for that particular response function. Conversely, by typing a 0 in this column, $g < 0$ is considered infeasible (Klasen, 2005).

3.2.5.3.2 Probability Calculation

The concept behind the probability computation within the CoS calculation is described in detail in Appendix A. The two variable CoS Matlab code is presented with comments in Appendix E.

3.3 Uncertainty

3.3.1 Simulating Uncertainty through the use of Random Variables

This work assumes that all randomness occurs as a result of uncertainties inherent to the analysis. Consequently all input parameters are recognized as deterministic for each particular DP (Klasen, 2005). Uncertainties within the analysis arise mainly due to the use of parametric equations located in the primary ship synthesis model modules. The two most obvious sources of uncertainty lie in the resistance and weight calculations. As a result, the model is first executed considering only the uncertainties in the resistance and weight calculations. Other sources of uncertainty are discussed later in this Chapter.

Each uncertain variable Y is modeled through the use of an extra random variable X :

$$Y = \mu_y \cdot (1 + \delta_x \cdot X) \quad (13)$$

where $X \in N(0,1)$ and is independent of any other RV, μ_y is the mean value (i.e. the deterministically calculated value) of the uncertain variable, and δ_x is the coefficient of variation of the uncertain variable (Klasen, 2005).

3.3.2 Bare Hull Resistance

Bare hull resistance is represented in the ship synthesis model by the variable R_T , and it is calculated within the Resistance Module using the Holtrop-Mennen method. The Holtrop-Mennen method is an approximate power prediction method based on a regression analysis of a large amount of model and full-scale test data (Holtrop, 1984). Due to the heavy usage of parametric equations in this method and R_T 's direct impact on the sustained speed constraint, R_T is a critical source of uncertainty. Complete details of the Holtrop-Mennen method can be found in Holtrop (1984).

Validation of the R_T calculation performed in the Resistance Module was achieved by comparing the ship synthesis model calculated R_T values to data extracted from adjusted ASSET match runs. ASSET stands for Advanced Surface Ship Evaluation Tool, and it is the USN's tool for early-stage ship design, conversion studies, technology assessment, feasibility studies, and AoA. Match runs were obtained for Flight I and Flight IIa Destroyers, an Oliver Hazard Perry Class Frigate, and CG 52. Match run outputs have been previously adjusted to accurately reflect the actual characteristics of the physical ships. These four match runs were then used as sample data points to compare results. The resulting R_T curves for both the ship synthesis model and the extracted ASSET data are plotted below in Figure 11. The plots display an obvious discrepancy, as the average percentage difference, or coefficient of variation, is 13.25%.

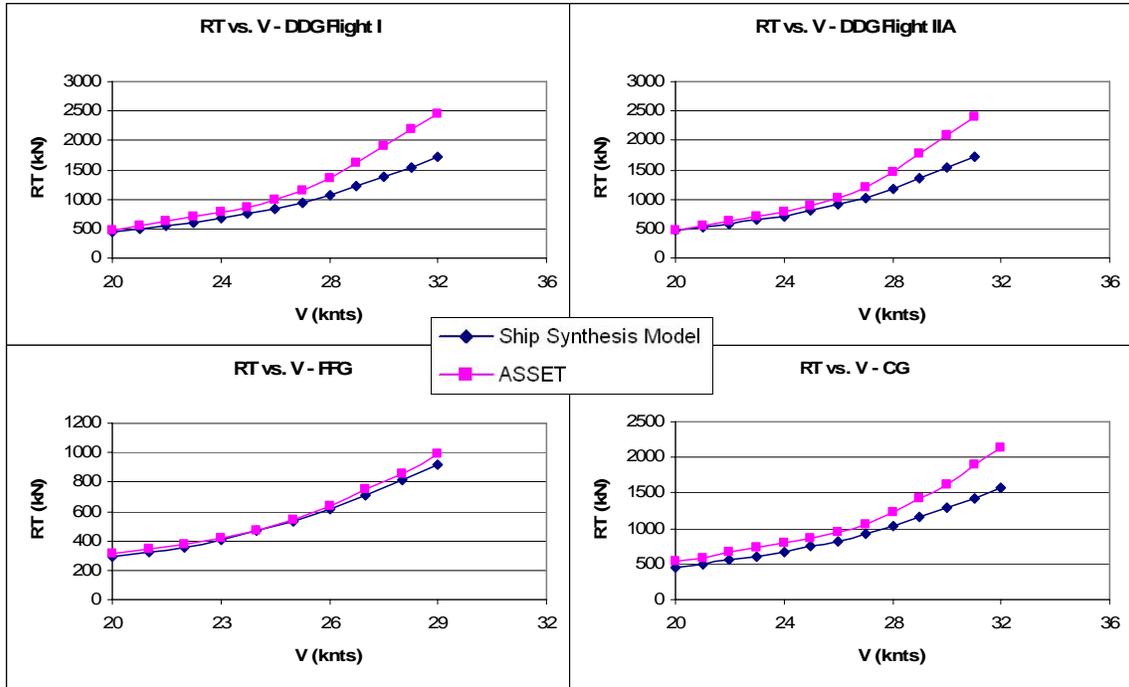


Figure 11 - Bare Hull Resistance Comparison (Uncorrected)

Total effective power (PE) comparisons were also made to ensure this discrepancy was not corrected for in calculating the remaining aspects of total ship resistance (air drag and appendage drag). The same discrepancy was still present, as indicated by the 17.76% coefficient of variation for the DDG 51 DP PE comparison (Figure 12). Also shown on this plot is a curve produced by another Holtrop-Mennen resistance program developed at VT AOE. This program produced results similar to those of the ship synthesis model, suggesting that the ship synthesis model bare hull resistance calculation may be pushing the high end of the applicability of the Holtrop-Mennen method and therefore may not be the most accurate method in terms of modeling USN SC bare hull resistance.

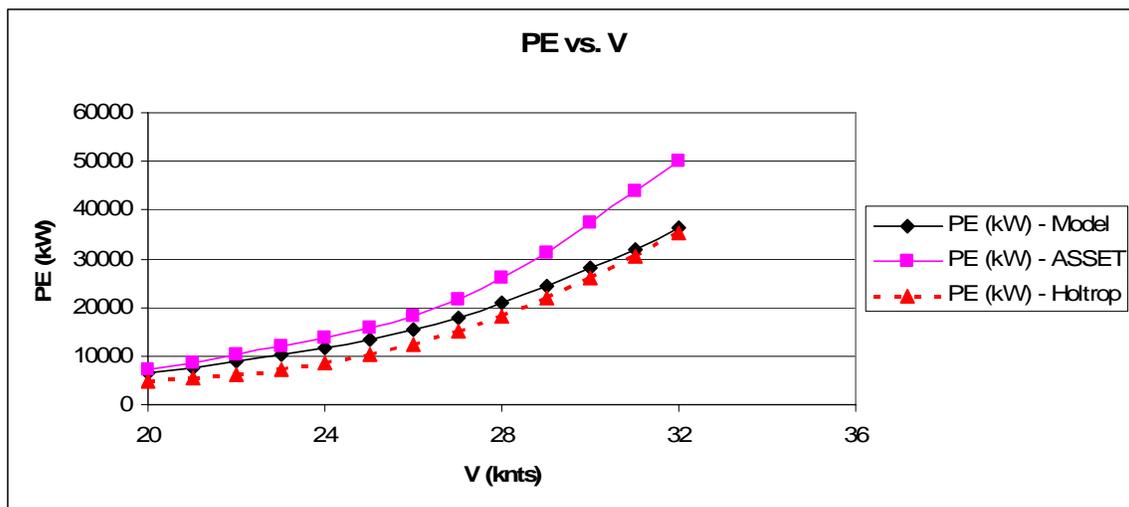


Figure 12 – DDG 51 PE Comparison (Uncorrected)

Each individual component of R_T (viscous, wavemaking, etc.) was compared in an effort to identify the source of the discrepancy between the ship synthesis model and reality. It was discovered that the wavemaking component of R_T was being significantly under-predicted by the Resistance Module. To account for this, a correction factor was applied to the wavemaking component of R_T in the Resistance Module. This correction factor was optimized to minimize the R_T coefficient of variation. Using a correction factor of 1.35, the R_T coefficient of variation was reduced from 13.25% to 7.98%. This improvement can be seen in the corrected R_T comparison shown below in Figure 13.

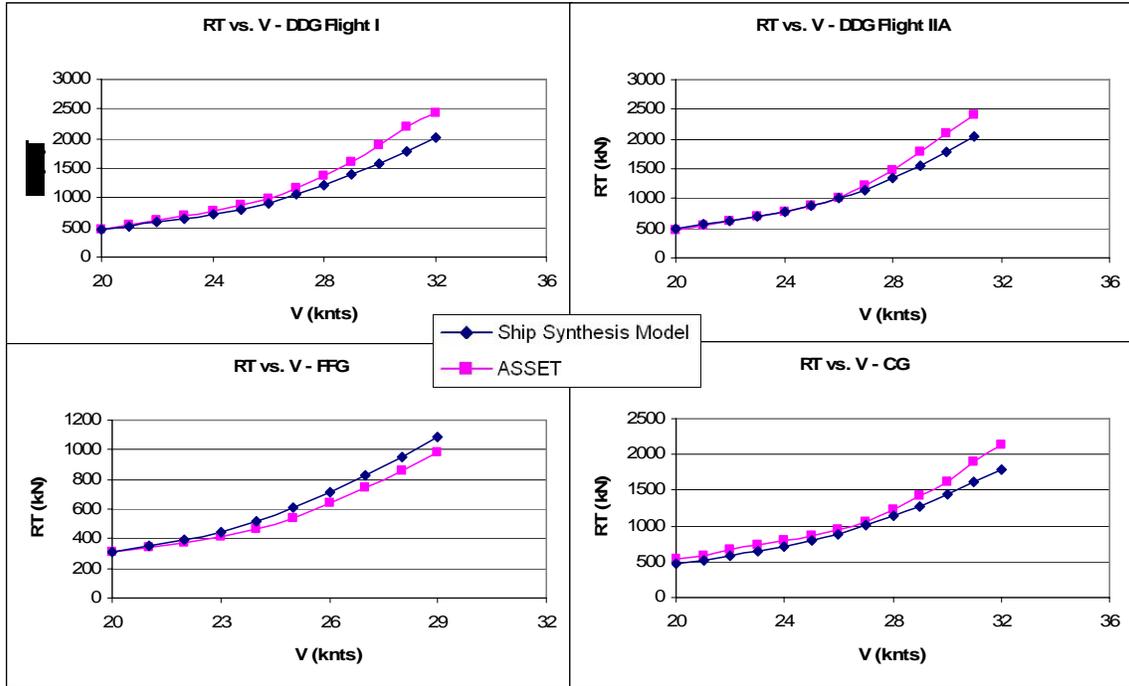


Figure 13 - Bare Hull Resistance Comparison (Corrected)

The ship synthesis model in this work continues to use this R_T calculation, which is a Holtrop-Mennen based resistance calculation with a wavemaking resistance correction. Using this model, the standard deviation for R_T is assumed to be 7.98%, i.e. $\delta = 0.0798$.

3.3.3 Weight

The Weight and Stability Module evaluates SWBS weights and calculates the overall ship weight without fuel. This module also balances each specific ship design by calculating the available fuel weight as the difference between the calculated overall ship weight without fuel and the full load displacement. Each SWBS weight group calculation is the sum of smaller subsystem weights calculated using parametric equations, or a parametric equation itself. This fact combined with weight’s significant impact on the weight-based cost algorithm makes weight a critical uncertainty to analyze. Since each SWBS weight group behaves differently, seven new RVs would be required to model SWBS weight groups 100-700 with complete accuracy. However, similarities between a few of these weight groups allow weight to be analyzed with three RVs as shown below in Table 5. These three coefficients of variation were calculated from the

same set of ASSET match runs. Also, it should be noted that in the first model execution involving only two RVs, total lightship weight is summarized with one RV with a coefficient of variation of 10%.

Table 5 - SWBS Weight Group RVs

Random Variable	δ Value	Description
W16	9.94%	RV for SWBS 100 & 600 weight groups
W235	5.74%	RV for SWBS 200, 300, & 500 weight groups
W47	9.65%	RV for SWBS 400 & 700 weight groups

3.3.4 Other Sources of Uncertainty

Although the two most significant sources of uncertainty are bare hull resistance and weight, there are still other critical sources of uncertainty embedded within the ship synthesis model. The most important sources of uncertainty are those that have a direct impact on the CTOC and OMOE objectives as well as the nine SC design constraints. The largest source of uncertainty within the Cost Module is weight, and the OMOE calculation is based on data-based discrete DVs that are considered deterministic in this analysis. Therefore, a handful of parameters that directly affect the nine design constraints were identified. These other sources of uncertainty are identified below in Table 6. Coefficients of variation were calculated based on ASSET match runs where data was available or assumed to be 10%.

Table 6 - Other Sources of Uncertainty

Random Variable	δ Value	Description
Atr	10.00%	RV for total required area
E	10.00%	RV for endurance range
KG	3.65%	RV for KG value
KWmflm	13.20%	RV for maximum functional load with margins

3.4 Optimization Algorithm

The SC multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model is optimized using a Genetic Algorithm (GA). A GA is an optimization technique based on natural occurring systems used to represent synthetic systems. These algorithms use evolutionary processes such as reproduction, crossover, and mutation based on Darwin's "survival of the fittest" principle to improve upon an initial population of balanced designs. Crossover involves swapping genes (design variables) between parent designs to produce a new child design, while mutation is modification of the genes of an individual parent design to produce a new child design. GAs are very robust relative to other optimization techniques, and they are particularly advantageous in optimizing models with discontinuous functions or data-based discrete DVs. An optimization technique is considered robust if it is able to effectively and efficiently explore the design space, i.e. it consistently locates the global optimum using minimal computational effort (Brown and Thomas, 1998).

Multi-Objective Genetic Optimization (MOGO) is performed in MC using the Darwin Optimization plug-in, which is described in greater detail in Section 3.4.1. A flow chart of the MOGO process used in this work is shown in Figure 14. The optimizer

randomly selects a population of 300 balanced designs in the first design generation using the ship synthesis model to balance each design and calculate all three objectives. Each design is assessed based on its fitness or dominance in the three objectives relative to other designs in the same population. Penalties are applied to infeasible designs and designs that cause niching or “bunching-up” in the objective space to promote a Pareto front constructed of feasible designs spread out over the entire objective space. The second population of the optimization process is randomly selected from the first population, with higher probabilities of selection assigned to design variants with higher fitness levels. Each new population of designs is called a generation. In the second generation, 25% of the selected designs are selected for crossover of some of their DV values, and a smaller percentage of designs are selected for mutation. As each generation of designs is created, the Pareto optimal DPs spread out across the CTOC/OMOE/CoS objective space. After a few hundred generations, the final non-dominated frontier (NDF) of ship designs is finally defined. The NDF is defined as the three-dimensional surface of designs where each design represents the highest effectiveness for a given level of cost and uncertainty compared to other designs in the design space (Good and Brown, 2006).

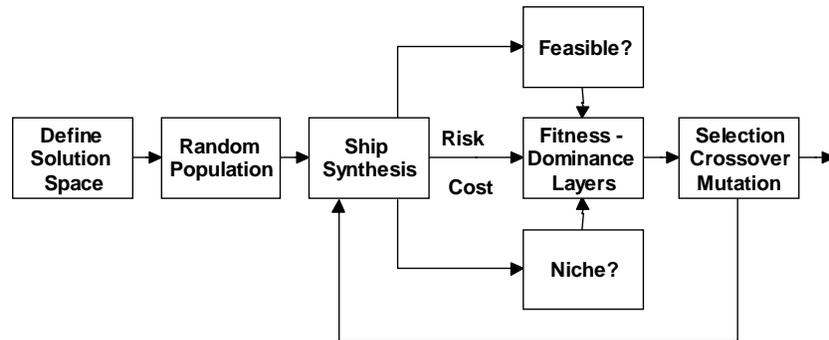


Figure 14 - Multi-Objective Genetic Optimization (Stepanchick and Brown, 2006)

3.4.1 Darwin Optimization Plug-in

MOGO is performed in MC using the Darwin Optimization plug-in, version 1.1.3. The Darwin Optimization plug-in is a GA-based optimization technique designed to solve engineering optimization problems with multiple objectives and any number of constraints. Darwin is also capable of handling both discrete and continuous DVs. Each DV and criterion is specified using the Darwin Optimization plug-in GUI as shown in Figure 15. The plug-in also allows the user to modify various GA and output parameters. One particular parameter of interest is “Selection Scheme.” “Selection Scheme” determines which designs from the parent and child populations will be selected to make up the next generation of designs. The Darwin Optimization plug-in utilizes two different selection schemes: *Elitist* and *Multiple Elitist*. The *Elitist* selection scheme replaces the worst design of the child population with the best design from the parent population and is typically used for optimization problems with a single global optimum that is not surrounded by a large number of local optima. In the *Multiple Elitist* selection scheme, the parent and child populations are combined into one population and then ranked according to fitness. This scheme is more effective for optimization problems where the

4 Model Execution

The two most critical sources of uncertainty in the multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model described in the preceding section lie in the resistance and weight calculations. As a result, the CoS calculation is first implemented and incorporated into the optimization process of the ship synthesis model by considering only uncertainties in the resistance and weight calculations. However, before the initial model execution, an examination of the model response is performed.

4.1 Model Response Examination

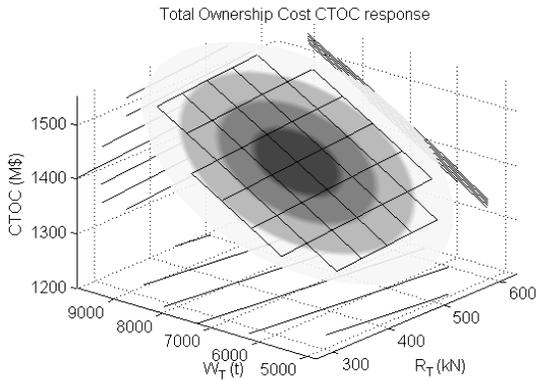
As mentioned earlier, the usage of the suggested CoS calculation calls for close to linear responses locally within the design space and/or concentration of responses around the mean performance value. In regions in close vicinity to a DP, there is a high probability of a continuous, well-behaved, linear response, even though no response function can be expected to behave this way throughout the entire design space of a complex multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model. If responses exhibit continuous, near linear behavior and have low variance, the CoS calculation suggested in this work should be applicable. To examine criteria response behavior, Klasen selected a few deterministically feasible DPs at random and evaluated them via short sample MCS calculations of 100,000 system evaluations each (Klasen, 2005). Although Klasen used a previous version of the ship synthesis model, the RV relationships and general criteria response behavior have not changed.

All evaluated DPs yielded an almost linear response over the ranges of interest for the CTOC objective as well as the A_{ta} , C_{gmbmin} , and C_{gmbmax} constraint error values (See Table 4). Exceptions included the V_s and E constraint error values, which were both non-linear but continuous, as well as the OMOE objective, which was non-linear and discontinuous. The A_{da} , KW_g , and D_{10} constraint error values are not a function of the RVs. The Brake Propulsion Power at Endurance Speed constraint error value (P_{bpend}) was not included in Klasen's model, but its criteria response behavior was found to be almost linear over the range of interest. Some of Klasen's criteria response surfaces for the DDG 51 DP are presented in Figure 16. These include the CTOC (Figure 16.1) and OMOE (Figure 16.2) objectives, and the endurance range (Figure 16.3) and sustained speed (Figure 16.4) constraint error values plotted as a function of bare hull resistance (R_T) and total weight (W_T). In these figures, the mesh size is σ for both bare hull resistance and total weight. A higher probability of occurrence is represented by the darker region of the response surfaces (Klasen, 2005).

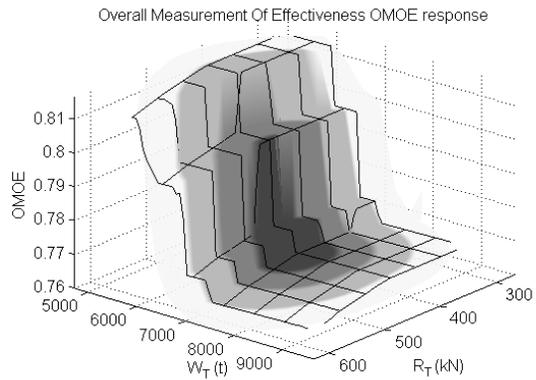
The relatively well-behaved response surfaces of the CTOC objective and the constraints indicate that the first order Taylor series expansion of MV should be sufficient to approximate the response functions accurately in local regions of any DP. This means that the CoS calculation suggested in this work should be applicable.

As mentioned earlier, the OMOE objective response surface was both non-linear and discontinuous. Although its surface appears to have the same general form throughout the entire design space, there are differences in plateau shape, size, and position for each individual DP. This means that a first order Taylor series expansion will have significant problems approximating an accurate response surface to this shape (Klasen, 2005).

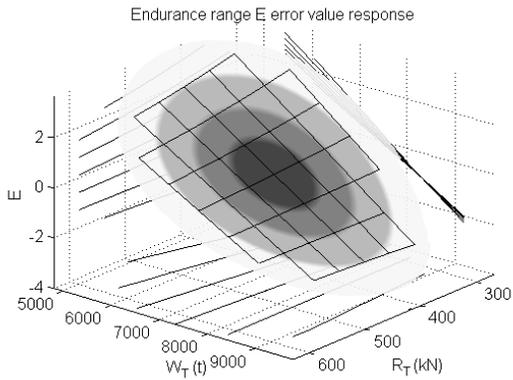
However, the OMOE objective is mainly a function of deterministic discrete design parameters and does not vary much with the RVs. As a result, the OMOE objective has a very low standard deviation ($\sigma = 0.788\%$ for the DDG 51 DP), and OMOE behavior is well behaved within one standard deviation of the deterministic mean for most DPs. It will also be shown that the CoS calculated LSF for OMOE is hardly in effect as an active criterion; that is, the OMOE LSF rarely eliminates any designs. For these reasons, OMOE has not been removed from the CoS criteria.



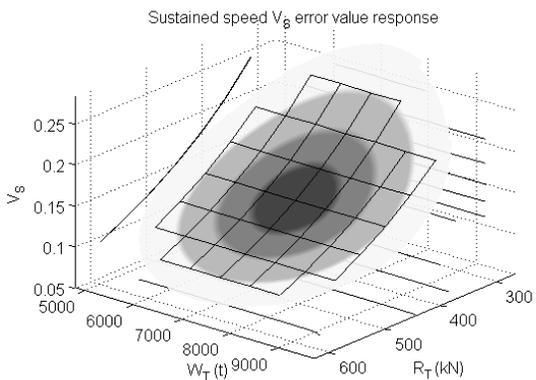
16.1 – CTOC response



16.2 – OMOE response



16.3 – E error value response



16.4 – V_s error value response

Figure 16 - Criteria Responses in RV Space for DDG 51 DP – from Klasen (2005)

As mentioned in Section 3.2.5.3.1, the LSF of the cost objective is activated at the deterministic CTOC mean plus 2.74%, while the LSF of the overall effectiveness objective is activated at the deterministic OMOE mean minus 1.58%. These values come from the MCS of the DDG 51 DP. Klasen originally proposed a 5% deviation for both the CTOC and OMOE objectives, but found these limits to be too loose (Klasen, 2005). This 5% limit is close to 2σ from the DDG 51 DP deterministic CTOC value, and it is greater than 6σ from the DDG 51 DP deterministic OMOE value. As a result, a 2.74% limit (σ) was chosen for CTOC in this analysis, and a 1.58% limit (2σ) was chosen for OMOE. A 2σ limit was chosen for OMOE because $\sigma = 0.788\%$ was believed to be too tight of a constraint. A full calculation of CoS was performed for the DDG 51 DP, and it

is compared to the MCS in Table 7. Percentages represent the probability of feasibility for each specific criterion. There is very good resemblance between the two calculations, and the only considerable error is the 4.62% related to the OMOE objective. The error of the overall CoS calculation was only 0.33%.

Table 7 - CoS Calculation compared to MCS for DDG 51 DP

Criterion	MCS (%)	CoS (%)	Error (%)
CTOC	84.25	84.40	0.15
OMOE	88.67	84.05	-4.62
Ata	77.83	78.30	0.47
Ada	100.00	99.99	-0.01
Vs	100.00	99.99	-0.01
Pbpengend	100.00	99.99	-0.01
KWg	100.00	99.99	-0.01
Cgmbmin	99.89	99.88	-0.01
Cgmbmax	100.00	99.99	-0.01
D10	100.00	99.99	-0.01
E	75.73	75.60	-0.13
CoS	53.56	53.89	0.33

Table 7 can be visualized by overlaying the MCS distribution with the approximated LSFs, as shown in Figure 17. This visually shows the agreement between the MCS and CoS calculations. Figure 17 shows the design subspace spanned by the standard normal RVs. The bare hull resistance and total weight means are located at zero, and each unit away from the mean represents one standard deviation. This design subspace is scattered with the solutions produced from the MCS; the feasible solutions are marked with an 'x' and the infeasible solutions are marked with a '+.' Feasibility is based on the nine approximated constraint LSFs from the CoS calculation, and those that lie in the design subspace domain have been superimposed on the scatter plot. The constraint LSFs shown in Figure 17 include E, Ata, and Cgmbmin. These approximated constraint LSFs follow the edges of the infeasible regions very well, and only the E and Ata LSFs are active. All other constraint LSFs are inactive for the DDG 51 DP, including those not shown in Figure 17. The two approximated objective LSFs can also be superimposed on the scatter plot to show the region used for the actual CoS percentage calculation. The OMOE LSF is slightly active in this regard and can also be seen in Figure 17; the CTOC LSF is also shown but is not a factor in the CoS calculation.

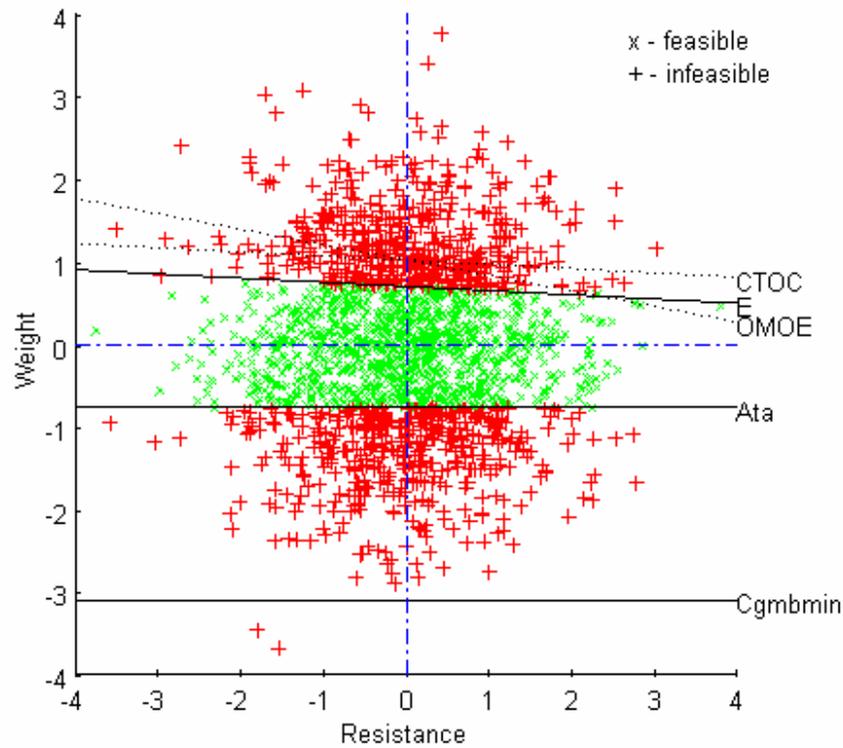


Figure 17 - MCS and CoS LSFs of DDG 51 DP

4.2 MOGO Implementing Confidence of Success

Multi-objective genetic optimization (MOGO) considering uncertainty via a CoS calculation was performed using the updated multi-disciplinary SC ship synthesis model described in the previous Chapter. The optimization problem is formulated as:

Objectives:

- minimize $CTOC(\mathbf{x})$
- maximize $OMOE(\mathbf{x})$
- maximize $CoS(\mathbf{x})$

Constraints:

- $Ata(\mathbf{x}) \geq Atamin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Ada(\mathbf{x}) \geq Adamin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Vs(\mathbf{x}) \geq 28$ knots
- $Pbpend(\mathbf{x}) \geq Pbpendmin(\mathbf{x})$
- $KWg(\mathbf{x}) \geq KWgmin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Cgmbmin(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0.05$
- $Cgmbmax(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0.15$
- $D10(\mathbf{x}) \geq D10min(\mathbf{x})$
- $E(\mathbf{x}) \geq 3500$ nm

where x is the specific DP consisting of 47 design parameters, including D10 itself. The DDG 51 DP is used as the initial design in the optimization process, and DV boundaries are defined to represent possible SC designs (See Table 3 and Appendix B). The GA is initially set up to produce generations with a population size of 300 individual designs each. The 100 “best” individuals are preserved from each generation for crossover and mutation. The optimizer is programmed to stop after 1,000 generations or 130 generations without improvement.

In the first model execution, the only two sources of uncertainty considered are bare hull resistance (R_T) and lightship weight (Wls). The standard deviation for R_T is assumed to be 7.98% ($\delta = 0.0798$), and the standard deviation for Wls is assumed to be 10% ($\delta = 0.10$). The origin of these standard deviations can be found in Section 3.3.2 and 3.3.3.

4.2.1 Computational Cost

As mentioned in Chapter 3, all analysis was performed on a twin-processor Dell PSW650: Xeon 2x2.66 GHz CPU, 1.0 GB RAM. The GA terminated after 46.48 hours or 166 generations due to lack of improvement. There were a total of 49,800 individual designs evaluated: 43,037 deterministic infeasible and 6,763 deterministic feasible. Computational cost data for the optimization process is displayed in Table 8. CoS was calculated for all deterministic feasible designs, adding an extra 13,526 model evaluations to the 49,800 model evaluations due to initial individual design feasibility checks. On average, an infeasible design evaluation took 2.85 seconds to complete, while a complete feasible design evaluation took 6.61 seconds to complete, an increase of 132% compared to an infeasible design evaluation. In terms of the overall optimization process, the average individual design took 3.36 seconds to complete. This means that there is an 18% increase in overall computational time to complete a three-dimensional objective space optimization instead of a typical two-dimensional objective space optimization that does not consider uncertainty. This increase in computational cost is a function of the number of uncertainties analyzed in the model, and computational cost will go up as more DVs are modeled as uncertain RVs. The effects of considering more than two uncertain RVs are discussed in Section 6.2.2.1 and 6.3.2.1.

Table 8 - Computational Cost of 2 Variable CoS Calculation

<i>Designs</i>	<i># of Evaluated Designs</i>	<i># of Model Evaluations</i>	<i>Total Time (hours)</i>	<i>Seconds per Design</i>	<i>Time Increase</i>
<i>Infeasible</i>	43,037	43,037	34.05	2.85	---
<i>Feasible</i>	6,763	20,289	12.43	6.61	132%
<i>All</i>	49,800	63,326	46.48	3.36	18%

4.2.2 Optimization Results

The final result of the optimization process is a three-dimensional non-dominated frontier (NDF) made up of 225 Pareto optimal design solutions. These design solutions are graphically presented as a three-dimensional scatter plot in Figure 18. It should be noted that in this initial optimization effort, the DPs did not spread out well over the Pareto front. Section 5.4 discusses attempts to penalize designs in the proximity of others to encourage a more uniform distribution of points across the front. Issues regarding

optimizer performance with three objective functions in the presence of both discrete and continuous variables will also be examined in Section 5.1.1. For now, the best designs for each objective have been presented in Table 9 as if the optimization process had been a single objective optimization. The components of the Utopian solution are presented in bold font. Also included in Table 9 are the DDG 51 DP and a possible “best” design. It should be noted that the DDG 51 DP found in this specific model execution has a significantly lower CoS than the value presented in Table 7. This is because the discretization of continuous variables in this model forces the exact DDG 51 values from Appendix B to be rounded. The result of the rounding is a significant decrease in CoS from 53.89% to 42.76%, as well as a slightly lower cost and OMOE value. This shows that even Pareto optimal solutions can be slightly refined to produce significant improvements in objective behavior. This is discussed in greater detail in Chapter 7.

There are many methods for selecting the “best” design from the Pareto front. One possible method is to define the “best” design as the solution that yields the highest objective ratios for all possible objective combinations concurrently. This means that the OMOE/CTOC, CoS/CTOC, and OMOE · CoS parameters are combined into a single parameter used for evaluation (Klasen, 2005). This work handles the “best” design with the following compromise:

$$BestDP = \max\left(\frac{OMOE \cdot CoS}{CTOC}\right) \quad (14)$$

This design solution is the black colored solution pointed out by the arrow in Figure 18. It should be emphasized that this design solution may not be the actual “best” solution or the preferred design for selection. This design is simply one optimal solution among many others, and the decision of which design to use for the baseline design is ultimately left up to the customer. It depends on their preference for particular objectives and the shape of the NDF itself. The preferred design may instead be located at a “knee” in the NDF. Designs located at the “knees” of the NDF are of interest because of their sharp increase in effectiveness with a relatively small increase in cost and uncertainty (Good and Brown, 2006). The initial designs listed in Table 9 are only a few possible solutions presented to provide direction.

It should also be noted that a few 0% CoS solutions appear in Figure 18. However, these solutions do not necessarily have a 0% CoS level. As mentioned in Section 3.2.5.3, the optimization process is accelerated by setting CoS equal to zero for all deterministically infeasible DPs since it is unlikely that any decision maker would be interested in a deterministically infeasible design. This “0% CoS” (deterministically infeasible) frontier is similar to the same Pareto front that would have been generated in a deterministic optimization process with only CTOC and OMOE as objectives. In other words, the deterministically infeasible frontier approximates the Pareto front calculated without considering uncertainty via a CoS calculation (Klasen, 2005). These DPs are still calculated in the optimization process because a five percent constraint violation is allowed by the Darwin Optimization plug-in, resulting in deterministically infeasible DPs to be included as part of the Pareto front. These DPs are discussed in greater detail in Section 4.3.

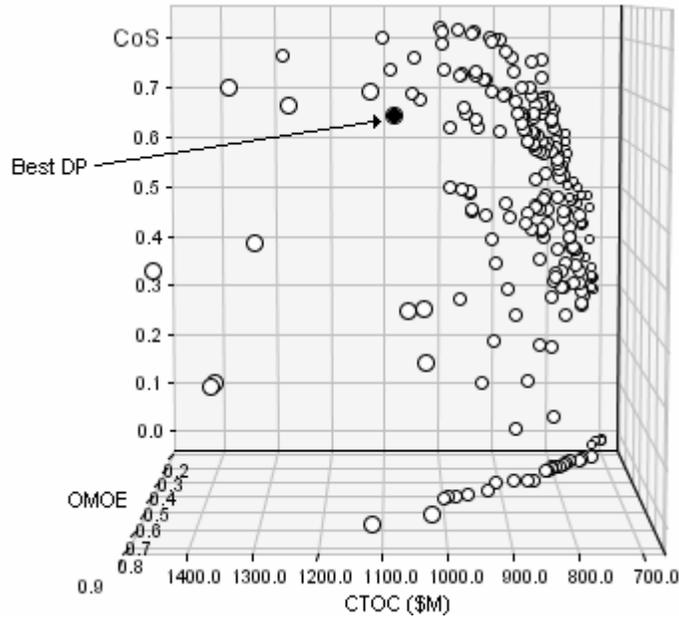


Figure 18 - Three-Dimensional Scatter Plot of Pareto Optimal Design Solutions

Table 9 - Possible Design Solutions

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
Lowest CTOC DP	720.7	0.2420	0.3052
Highest OMOE DP	1364.9	0.7921	0.2331
Highest CoS DP	1001.5	0.3525	0.8246
“Best” DP (see text)	1081.2	0.6928	0.6833
DDG 51 DP	1455.8	0.7685	0.4276

Figure 18 is very hard to interpret in printed form, and a surface fitted to the Pareto front may be misleading and hard to translate into specific design solutions. The set of designs on the Pareto front does not form a continuous surface since many of the DVs are discrete. Points along a surface fitted to the Pareto front do not always correspond to a feasible design solution; only the actual design solutions in the objective space have a feasible set of DVs in the design space. There may be a feasible design solution corresponding to the fitted surface, but if so it has not been found in the optimization process (Klasen, 2005). For these reasons, the following two-dimensional figures have been produced.

Figure 19 is a two-dimensional scatter plot of the Pareto optimal design solutions with CTOC and OMOE on the axes, and CoS indicated by color and marker as either low ($CoS < 0.50$), medium ($0.50 < CoS < 0.60$), medium high ($0.60 < CoS < 0.70$), or high ($CoS > 0.70$). All design solutions with a CoS less than 50% were given a “low” CoS level because it is unlikely that any designer would be interested in a solution that would most likely not meet requirements and/or performance objectives. Adjusting the CoS objective criteria to neglect these DPs is addressed in Section 5.2. The deterministically infeasible frontier is also included in Figure 19 in order to highlight the approximate deterministic two-dimensional (CTOC and OMOE only) Pareto front. However, it is also

unlikely that any designer would be interested in a solution that lies on one or more constraint boundaries. For these reasons, “low” CoS level DPs and deterministically infeasible DPs are removed from the scatter plot in Figure 20. The advantage of this two-dimensional scatter plot is that the Pareto fronts at different CoS levels can be better visualized by the DPs themselves, and a surface or contour is not needed. The possible design solutions from Table 9 have been highlighted in the plot in order to visualize their fitness relative to other possible designs.

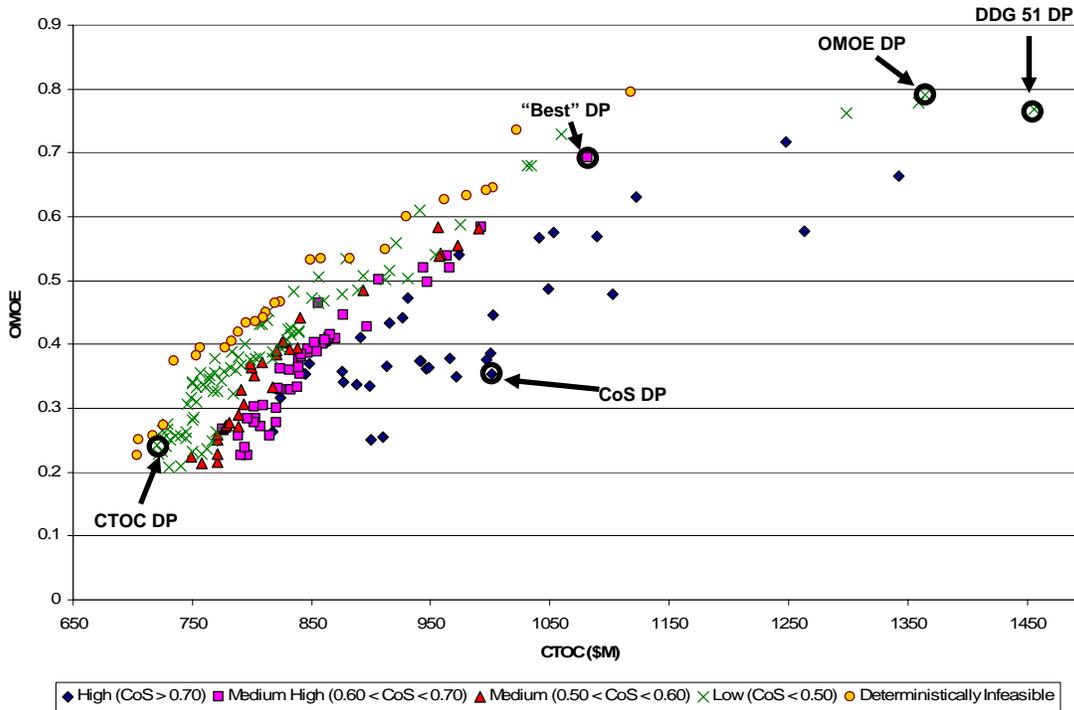


Figure 19 - Two-Dimensional Scatter Plot of Pareto Optimal Design Solutions

From Figure 19, it is clear that there are many other attractive design solutions among the Pareto optimal design solutions. If the deterministically infeasible DPs and “low” CoS DPs are removed from the scatter plot, the “knees” of the “medium,” “medium high,” and “high” CoS level fronts can be better visualized. This has been done in Figure 20. As mentioned earlier, it is unlikely that any designer would be interested in a deterministically infeasible or “low” CoS level solution since it would most likely not meet requirements and/or performance objectives.

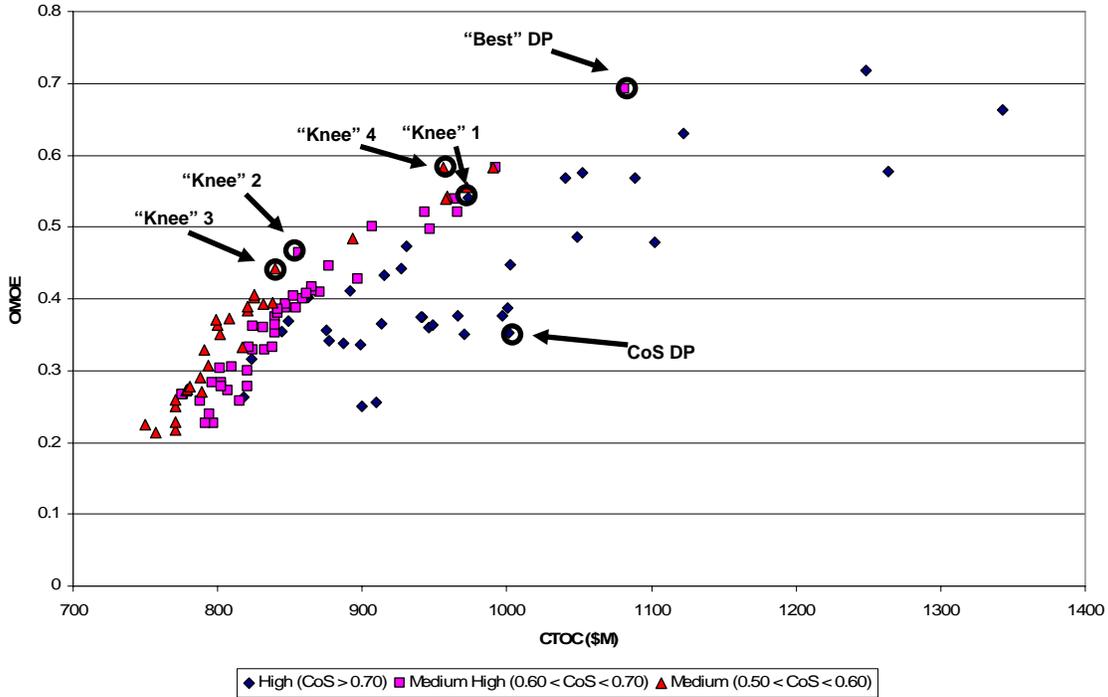


Figure 20 - 2-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Front (Det. Infeasible and “Low” CoS DPs Removed)

Figure 20 shows the “knees” of the remaining CoS levels and the other attractive designs. It should be noted that both “Knee” 3 and “Knee” 4 correspond to the “medium” CoS level. It should also be noted that the lowest CTOC DP, highest OMOE DP, and DDG 51 DP have been removed since they had a CoS less than 50%. The objectives of the four “knees” are shown in Table 10.

Table 10 – Other Attractive Design Solutions

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
“Knee” 1 DP	973.2	0.5411	0.7437
“Knee” 2 DP	856.1	0.4648	0.6199
“Knee” 3 DP	840.1	0.4418	0.5447
“Knee” 4 DP	956.1	0.5834	0.5061

Of the 225 Pareto optimal design solutions, the highest CoS DP, “best” DP, and four “knees” appear to be the most attractive designs. The DDG 51 DP should also be included as an attractive design since it has been proven feasible in the real world. It is also close to the OMOE objective extreme due to its emphasis on combat systems. Since the DDG 51 DP lies on this particular Pareto front, there are no designs from this optimization run that outperform the DDG 51 DP in all objectives concurrently, i.e. there are no other designs that are cheaper, more effective, and less uncertain. However, it will be shown that the DDG 51 DP is not Pareto optimal in future optimization runs where DPs are found that exhibit performance increases in all three objectives concurrently. Also, the other attractive designs mentioned may be “better” solutions since they offer significant cost savings and an increase in CoS.

4.3 Two Objective Deterministic Optimization

As mentioned in Section 4.2.2, a few 0% CoS solutions appear in Figure 18. These solutions do not necessarily have a 0% CoS level; CoS actually ranges from 0% to about 23% for these DPs. CoS is set to zero because these DPs are deterministically infeasible, and it is unlikely that any designer would be interested in a deterministically infeasible solution. Setting the CoS of these DPs equal to zero accelerates the optimization process by eliminating thousands of extra model evaluations.

This deterministically infeasible frontier is similar to the same Pareto front that would have been generated in a deterministic optimization process with only CTOC and OMOE as objectives, i.e. the Pareto front that neglects uncertainty (Klasen, 2005). To validate this hypothesis, a deterministic optimization process with only CTOC and OMOE as objectives was performed and compared to the three objective deterministically infeasible frontier from Section 4.2.2. Other than the elimination of CoS as an objective, the optimization problem formulation and setup was left unchanged from Section 4.2. The results of the comparison can be seen in Figure 21.

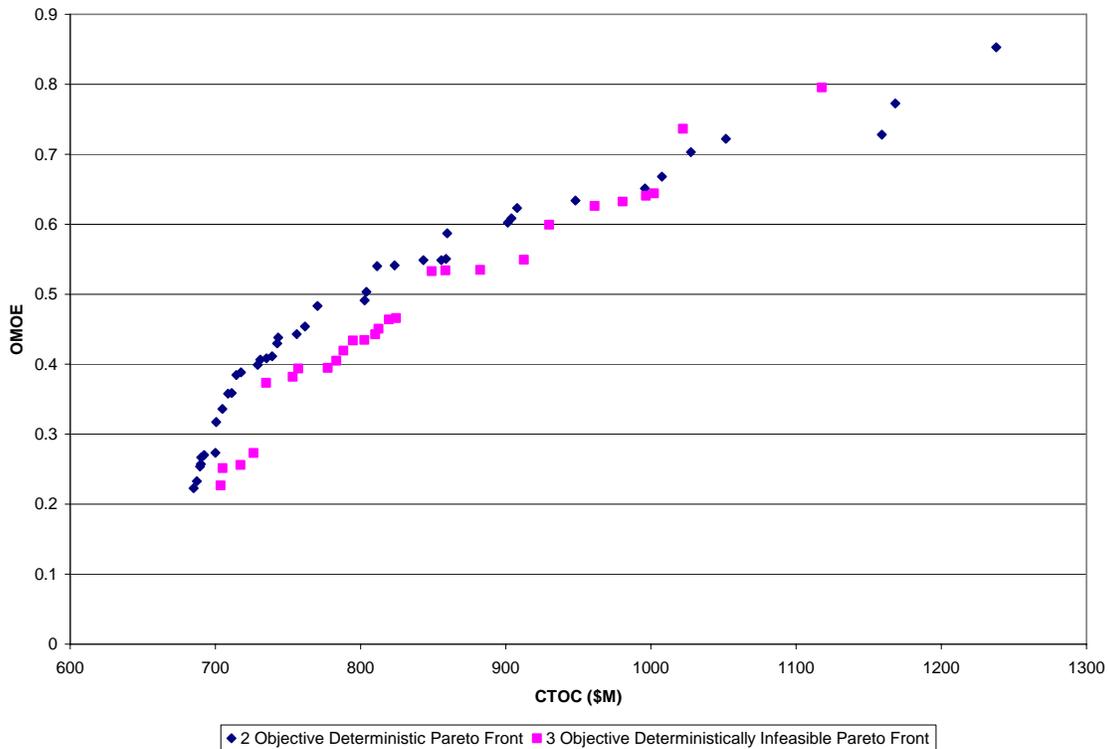


Figure 21 - Two Objective Deterministic Optimization Comparison

Figure 21 shows that while the two objective deterministic Pareto front and the three objective deterministically infeasible Pareto front are similar, they are not identical. In the deterministic optimization with only CTOC and OMOE as objectives, solutions are allowed to be pushed to one or more constraint boundaries (a five percent constraint violation is actually allowed by the Darwin Optimization plug-in). Since objective values usually improve as constraint boundaries are approached, DPs that actually lie on the

constraint boundaries are more attractive in a two objective deterministic optimization process. Essentially, the entire population tends to migrate towards constraint boundaries because the constraint boundaries represent the best you can do in terms of only CTOC and OMOE. In fact, of the 41 Pareto optimal design solutions from the two objective deterministic Pareto front, only two DPs are deterministically feasible. These two DPs have been presented in bold font in Table 11.

In contrast, in a three objective optimization process that considers uncertainty via a CoS calculation, deterministically infeasible design solutions are less attractive because they have been assigned a CoS value of 0% and because maximizing CoS has been selected as an objective. As a result, a three objective optimization process will only tag an approximation of the two objective deterministic Pareto front, and it will then penalize these designs further to encourage more attractive DPs that perform well in all three objectives. Consequently, the deterministically infeasible frontier from the three objective optimization process that considers uncertainty is just a slight-under approximation of the two objective deterministic Pareto front, as shown in Figure 21.

Table 11 displays the actual CoS values for the DPS from the two objective deterministic Pareto front. As mentioned earlier, 39 of the 41 solutions were deterministically infeasible, and 12 of these 39 deterministically infeasible solutions actually had a CoS of 0% as calculated by the procedure used in this work. Several of the other solutions had very low CoS levels, ranging only up to 23.19%. This shows that while a deterministic optimization process may yield the best objective values, it may also yield the highest uncertainty levels as well. This is further evidence that any optimization process must be performed with a constraint on uncertainty, or uncertainty must be treated as a third objective. By treating CoS as an objective, the optimizer will search for more reliable and robust designs. Otherwise there is virtually no chance of achieving results that are reliable and robust in addition to being effective.

Table 11 - Two Objective Deterministic Optimization CoS Values

Design	CTOC (\$M)	OMOE	Deterministically Feasible?	Actual CoS
1	685.0	0.2229	No	0.1102
2	687.3	0.2329	No	0.0776
3	689.5	0.2538	No	0.1055
4	690.1	0.2573	No	0.1566
5	690.3	0.2667	No	0.0883
6	692.2	0.2702	No	0.0579
7	700.0	0.2735	No	0.1673
8	700.6	0.3173	No	0
9	704.9	0.3361	No	0.0145
10	708.7	0.3579	Yes	0.2319
11	711.3	0.3586	Yes	0.1695
12	714.4	0.3846	No	0.0409
13	717.7	0.3883	No	0.0364
14	729.1	0.3990	No	0.0706
15	731.0	0.4064	No	0.0354
16	735.3	0.4086	No	0
17	739.1	0.4114	No	0.0300
18	742.6	0.4296	No	0.0183
19	743.3	0.4382	No	0.0568
20	756.0	0.4431	No	0.0292
21	761.7	0.4539	No	0.1255
22	770.3	0.4831	No	0
23	802.8	0.4913	No	0.0348
24	804.1	0.5032	No	0.0675
25	811.4	0.5400	No	0.0042
26	823.5	0.5412	No	0.1337
27	843.3	0.5486	No	0.0010
28	855.6	0.5486	No	0
29	858.8	0.5505	No	0.0011
30	859.7	0.5869	No	0
31	901.5	0.6022	No	0.0033
32	903.9	0.6085	No	0.0032
33	907.8	0.6233	No	0
34	948.0	0.6337	No	0
35	995.9	0.6510	No	0
36	1007.6	0.6679	No	0
37	1027.5	0.7030	No	0.0561
38	1051.7	0.7222	No	0
39	1159.1	0.7281	No	0
40	1168.4	0.7727	No	0.0015
41	1237.9	0.8529	No	0

4.4 Assessment of Confidence of Success Calculation

In order to assess the accuracy of the CoS calculation, the designs from Table 9 (less the DDG 51 DP) are compared with a MCS calculation in the same manner as Table 7. The probability differences (%) between the CoS and MCS calculations for all criteria and the CoS calculation itself are tabulated in Table 12. There is very good resemblance between the two calculations; the only considerable error is related to the OMOE objective. The error for the OMOE objective ranges from 3.41% to 15.50%, mainly due to non-linearities related to the OMOE objective response surface. However, this error does not contribute much to the overall CoS error since the CoS calculated LSF for OMOE is hardly in effect as an active criterion, which means that the OMOE LSF rarely eliminates any designs. This can be seen visually in Figure 17. The maximum error for the actual CoS calculation is only 1.10%, showing that the linear approximations of the MV-based CoS calculation are applicable to this SC ship synthesis model.

Table 12 - Probability Difference Between CoS and MCS for Pareto Optimal DPs

Criterion	Lowest CTOC DP	Highest OMOE DP	Highest CoS DP	“Best” DP
CTOC	-0.14	0.02	0.00	0.09
OMOE	-15.50	3.41	6.23	4.64
Ata	-0.06	-0.08	-0.07	-0.05
Ada	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Vs	-0.16	-1.27	-0.01	-0.05
Pbpend	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
KWg	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Cgmbmin	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.08
Cgmbmax	0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
D10	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
E	-0.08	-0.09	-0.01	0.06
CoS	-0.06	-0.40	-0.05	-1.10

5 Methods for Improving Optimization Results

As mentioned in Section 4.2.2, the DPs did not spread out well over the Pareto front in the initial optimization effort (See Figure 18). This chapter will attempt to encourage a more uniform distribution of points across the front through problem definition modification, segmented optimization runs, and the application of a penalty function. These methods are discussed in the following sections. Adjusting the CoS objective criteria to promote only designs with high CoS levels is also addressed in Section 5.2.

5.1 Problem Definition Modification

The simplest method for improving optimization results involves making slight modifications to the optimization problem definition using the Darwin Optimization plug-in in MC. The Darwin Optimization plug-in allows the user to make changes to the objective definition, constraint application, DV definition, and/or optimization parameters. In this work, continuous DVs will be modeled as discrete DVs in order to enhance optimizer performance as discussed in Section 5.1.1. Changes to the optimization parameters are discussed in Section 5.1.2.

5.1.1 Design Variables (DVs)

The Darwin Optimization plug-in approximates each continuous DV by dividing its range into a set of evenly spaced discrete choices. In the initial optimization run, continuous DVs were defined with small step sizes, resulting in a large number of discrete choices for the optimizer to select from. In contrast, there were only a few discrete choices for the optimizer to select from for discrete DVs. The effect of this contrast was a much larger design space for continuous DVs, and an associated risk that this larger design space would not be thoroughly searched by the optimizer. If the design space is not thoroughly searched, possible Pareto optimal designs will not be found, and the end result is a rough looking, inconsistent distribution of DPs defining the Pareto front, as can be seen in Figure 18.

In an effort to improve upon this distribution, the step size of most of the continuous DVs was increased, decreasing the number of discrete choices for the optimizer to select from. Continuous DVs are listed in Table 13 with their original step size and number of discrete choices, as well as their new step size and number of discrete choices. Discrete DVs and their associated number of discrete choices are also listed in Table 13. Please refer to Table 3 for complete descriptions and bounds for these variables. Table 13 shows that an increase in step size can drastically reduce the number of possible designs the optimizer has to search. Also, with a similar number of discrete choices, the continuous and discrete DVs will also have a similar size design space, enhancing the optimizer's ability to thoroughly search the entire design space, and thus the objective space as well. The new step size values listed in Table 13 were applied to all forthcoming optimization runs.

Table 13 - Design Variable Step Size Modification

Design Variable	Original Step Size	Original # of Discrete Choices	New Step Size	New # of Discrete Choices
<i>Continuous DVs</i>				
LWL	0.1 m	351	1.0 m	36
B	0.1 m	51	1.0 m	6
D10	0.1 m	41	1.0 m	5
T	0.1 m	21	1.0 m	3
Cp	0.001	150	0.01	15
Cx	0.001	201	0.01	21
Crđ	0.01	31	0.01	31
VD	100.0 m ³	31	100.0 m ³	31
CMan	0.01	51	0.1	6
<i>Discrete DVs</i>				
CDHMAT	---	2	---	2
BALtype	---	2	---	2
PSYS	---	17	---	17
GSYS	---	8	---	8
Ts	---	16	---	16
Ncps	---	3	---	3
AAW	---	10	---	10
ASUW	---	4	---	4
ASW	---	9	---	9
NSFS	---	2	---	2
CCC	---	5	---	5
SEW	---	2	---	2
GMLS	---	7	---	7
LAMPS	---	3	---	3
SDS	---	3	---	3
Ndegaus	---	2	---	2
Nfins	---	2	---	2
<i>Total # of Discrete Choices</i>	---	1.08×10^{27}	---	2.79×10^{20}

5.1.2 Optimization Parameters

As mentioned earlier, the GA is initially set up to produce generations with a population size of 300 individual designs each. The 100 “best” individuals are then preserved from each generation for crossover and mutation. The optimizer is also programmed to stop after 1,000 generations or 130 generations without improvement.

These optimization parameters were modified to encourage a more uniform distribution of points across the Pareto front. After examining a few combinations of optimization parameters, it was determined that a population size of 300 individual designs, with 50 designs preserved from each generation, produced the most uniform distribution of points across the Pareto front. Termination criteria were preserved as 1,000 total generations or 130 generations without improvement. The optimization problem formulation in terms of objectives and constraints (See Section 4.2) was also kept constant, as well as the uncertainty sources and standard deviations.

An optimization run with the new step sizes listed in Table 13 and the optimization parameters defined above was performed. The GA terminated after 53.64 hours or 196 generations due to lack of improvement. There were a total of 58,800 individual designs evaluated: 52,245 deterministic infeasible and 6,555 deterministic feasible. Computational cost data for the optimization process is displayed in Table 14.

Table 14 - Computational Cost using Updated Optimization Parameters

<i>Designs</i>	# of Evaluated Designs	# of Model Evaluations	Total Time (hours)	Seconds per Design	Time Increase
<i>Infeasible</i>	52,245	52,245	41.55	2.86	---
<i>Feasible</i>	6,555	19,665	12.09	6.64	132%
<i>All</i>	58,800	71,910	53.64	3.28	15%

The optimization process again resulted in a three-dimensional NDF made up of 236 Pareto optimal design solutions, which are graphically presented as a three-dimensional scatter plot in Figure 22. Figure 18 has been reproduced in Figure 23 to visually compare these results to the original results. While there is still room for improvement, the combination of using increased step sizes for continuous DVs and using updated optimization parameters has resulted in a Pareto front with a more uniform distribution. This can be seen in the low CTOC region where there is less niching of DPs as well as the high CTOC region where more DPs have been found. More efforts to encourage a more uniform distribution of points across the front are discussed later in this Chapter.

The best designs for each objective have been presented in Table 15, with the components of the Utopian solution presented in bold font. The “best” design according to Equation (14) is also included in Table 15, and it is pointed out by the arrow in Figure 22. Curiously, the DDG 51 DP was not found in this optimization run. In fact, although there are similar DPs among the two optimization runs, there are no identical DPs. This means that this optimization run resulted in 236 new Pareto optimal design solutions. Also, the lowest CTOC DP and highest CoS DP from this optimization run exhibit higher objective values than those found in the original optimization run.

Table 15 - Possible Design Solutions using Updated Optimization Parameters

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
Lowest CTOC DP	687.9	0.2240	0.1232
Highest OMOE DP	1223.8	0.7648	0.5552
Highest CoS DP	1047.8	0.3037	0.8522
“Best” DP (see text)	1296.6	0.7470	0.8177

For the same reasons discussed in Section 4.2.2, the three-dimensional scatter plot in Figure 22 is presented in two-dimensional form in Figure 24 and Figure 25. Figure 24 is a two-dimensional scatter plot of the Pareto optimal design solutions with CTOC and OMOE on the axes, and CoS indicated by color and marker as either low ($\text{CoS} < 0.50$), medium ($0.50 < \text{CoS} < 0.60$), medium high ($0.60 < \text{CoS} < 0.70$), or high ($\text{CoS} > 0.70$). The deterministically infeasible frontier is also included in Figure 24 in order to highlight the approximate deterministic two-dimensional (CTOC and OMOE only) Pareto front. The possible design solutions from Table 15 have been highlighted in Figure 24 in order

to visualize their fitness relative to other possible designs. The “low” CoS level DPs and deterministically infeasible DPs are removed from the scatter plot in Figure 25 to highlight some of these other attractive designs.

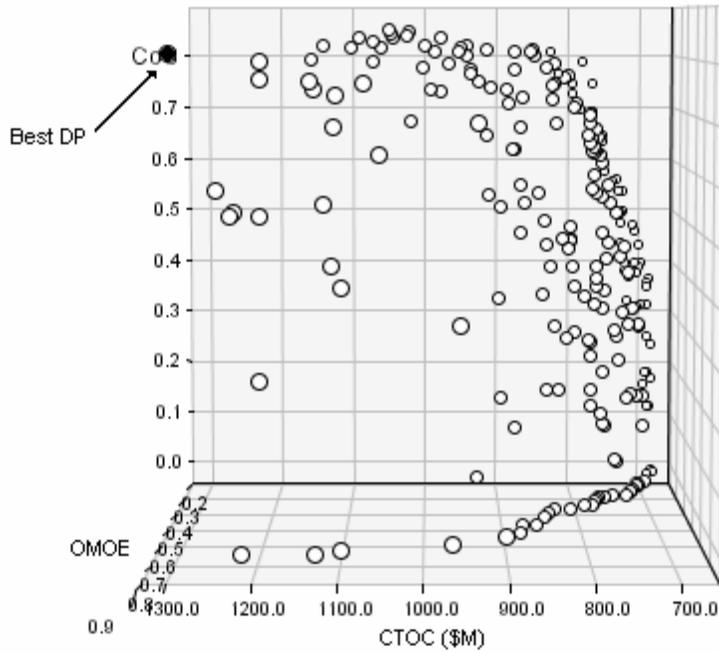


Figure 22 – 3-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Optimal DPs using Updated Optimization Parameters

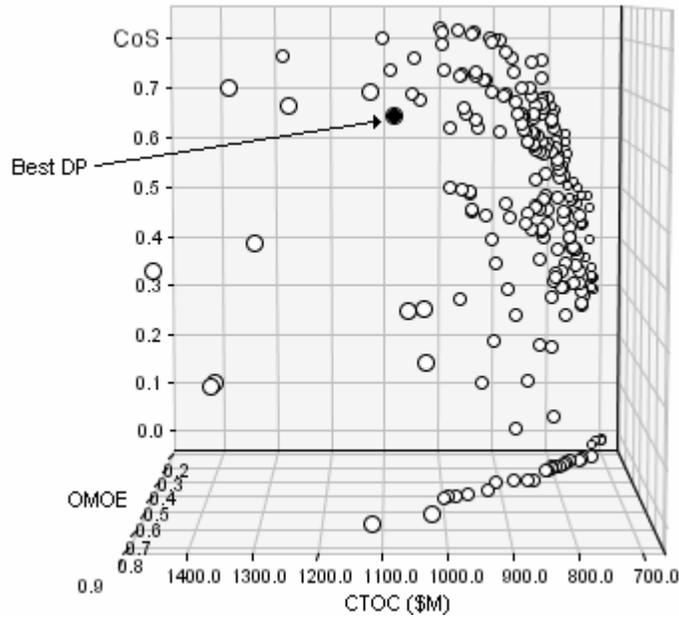


Figure 23 – Original 3-D NDF (Reproduction of Figure 18)

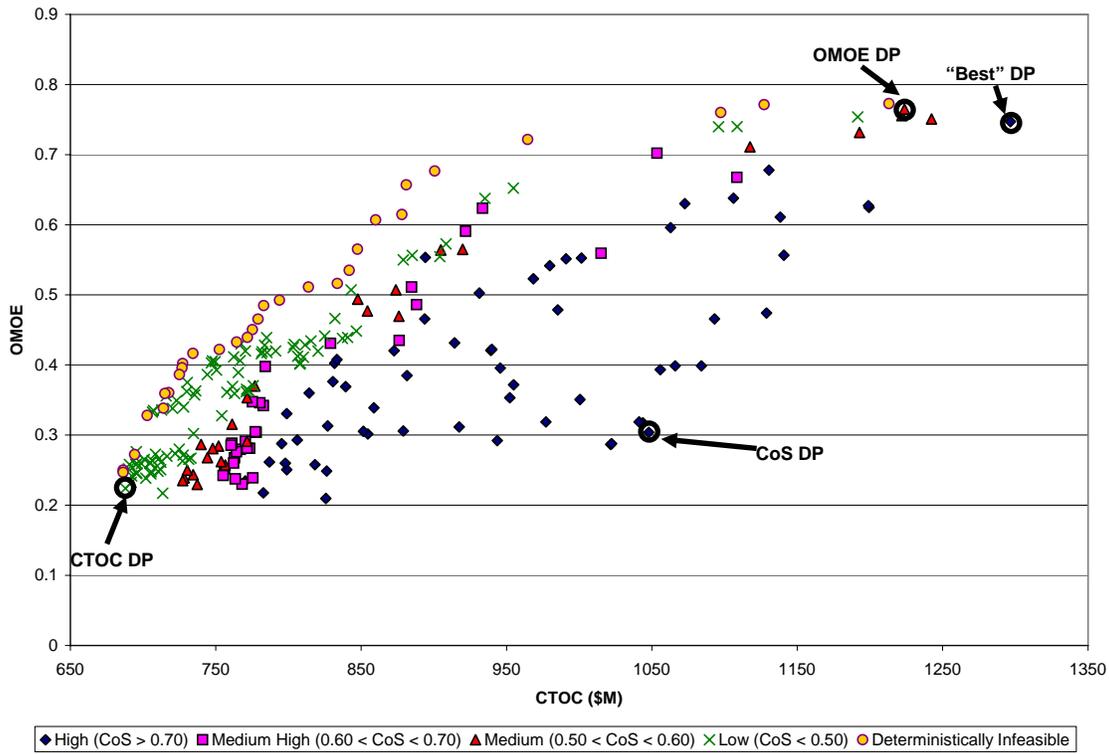


Figure 24 - 2-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Front using Updated Optimization Parameters

From Figure 24, it is evident that there are a few “knees” in the different CoS level fronts that are attractive design solutions. The deterministically infeasible front and “low” CoS level front are removed from the scatter plot in Figure 25 so that the “knees” of the “medium,” “medium high,” and “high” CoS level fronts can be better visualized. It should be noted that both “Knee” 6 and “Knee” 7 correspond to the “medium high” CoS level. It should also be noted that both the lowest CTOC DP and highest OMOE DP have again been removed since they have a CoS less than 50%. The objectives of the four new “knees” are shown in Table 16.

Table 16 - Other Attractive Design Solutions using Updated Optimization Parameters

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
“Knee” 5 DP	894.1	0.5534	0.7278
“Knee” 6 DP	933.5	0.6236	0.6957
“Knee” 7 DP	784.1	0.3978	0.6990
“Knee” 8 DP	730.4	0.2497	0.5025

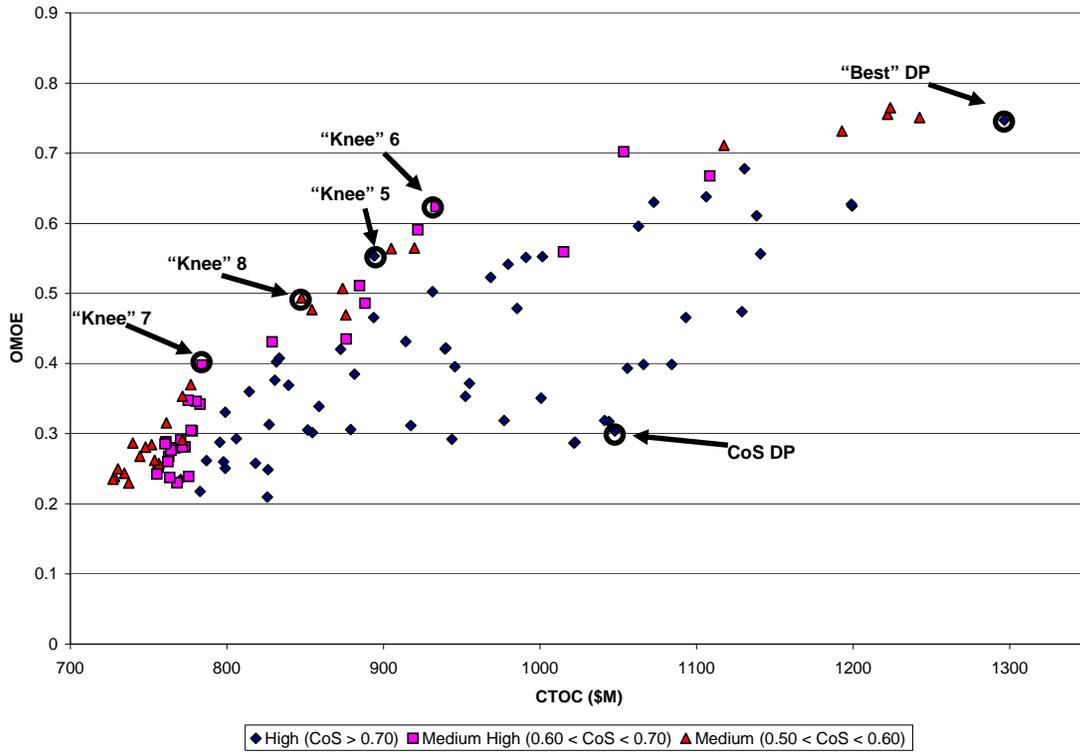


Figure 25 - 2-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Front using Updated Optimization Parameters (Det. Infeasible and “Low” CoS DPs Removed)

This optimization run resulted in a set of 236 Pareto optimal design solutions, some completely different and a few similar to those from the original optimization run from Chapter 4. The new attractive DPs from this optimization run include a new lowest CTOC DP and a new highest CoS DP, as well as another “best” design and four new “knees.” The attractive designs from all of the optimization runs are analyzed in Section 5.5.2 to finalize a set of DPs for further evaluation.

5.2 Confidence of Success Objective Restriction

As mentioned earlier, it is unlikely that any designer would be interested in a less than 50% CoS level solution since it would most likely not meet requirements and/or performance objectives. In an effort to find more Pareto optimal design solutions with a CoS greater than or equal to 50%, a constraint was applied to the CoS objective. The optimization problem is now formulated as:

Objectives:

- minimize CTOC(x)
- maximize OMOE(x)
- maximize CoS(x)

Constraints:

- $Ata(\mathbf{x}) \geq Atamin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Ada(\mathbf{x}) \geq Adamin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Vs(\mathbf{x}) \geq 28$ knots
- $Pbpend(\mathbf{x}) \geq Pbpendmin(\mathbf{x})$
- $KWg(\mathbf{x}) \geq KWgmin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Cgmbmin(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0.05$
- $Cgmbmax(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0.15$
- $D10(\mathbf{x}) \geq D10min(\mathbf{x})$
- $E(\mathbf{x}) \geq 3500$ nm
- **$CoS(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0.5$**

where \mathbf{x} is the specific DP consisting of 47 design parameters. The new constraint is highlighted in bold font. The DDG 51 DP is again used as the initial design in the optimization process, and DV boundaries are defined to represent possible SC designs (See Table 3 and Appendix B).

The GA is set up as above, with a population size of 300 individual designs and 50 designs preserved from each generation for crossover and mutation. The optimizer is programmed to stop after 1,000 generations or 130 generations without improvement. The optimization problem formulation in terms of uncertainty sources and standard deviations was also kept constant (See Section 4.2). The new step sizes listed in Table 13 were also used for continuous DVs. The GA terminated after 59.19 hours or 181 generations due to lack of improvement. There were a total of 54,300 individual designs evaluated: 39,140 deterministic infeasible and 15,160 deterministic feasible. Compared to the previous optimization run of Section 5.1.2, this optimization run took a longer period of time to produce a smaller number of generations. This is because the new constraint on the CoS objective has forced the GA to find more deterministic feasible designs (a 131% increase in the number of feasible designs).

The three-dimensional scatter plot produced from this optimization run is shown in Figure 26. This three-dimensional NDF is made up of 149 Pareto optimal design solutions, a decrease of 87 designs from the previous optimization run. However, this optimization run produced 144 designs with a CoS of 50% or above, compared to only 115 designs for the previous run, an increase of 25%. It should be noted that five of the 149 Pareto optimal design solutions from this optimization run had a CoS less than 50% due to the five percent constraint violation allowed by the Darwin Optimization plug-in. These designs have been ignored in the analysis presented in this section. It should also be noted that there is a fairly uniform distribution of points across the front for DPs with a CTOC less than 1000 (\$M). Segmented optimization runs in Section 5.3 focus on finding more Pareto optimal design solutions within different CTOC regions.

The best designs for each objective have again been presented in Table 17, with the components of the Utopian solution presented in bold font. The “best” design according to Equation (14) is also included in Table 17, and it is pointed out by the arrow in Figure 26. Since this optimization run had a greater than 50% CoS constraint, the DDG 51 DP was again excluded from the Pareto optimal set. None of the current best designs for each objective presented in Table 17 exhibit better objective values than the designs presented in Table 9 and Table 15. However, the lowest CTOC DP and highest OMOE

DP from Table 17 are the best designs for each objective with a CoS greater than 50%, making them perhaps more attractive design solutions than the original objective extremes.

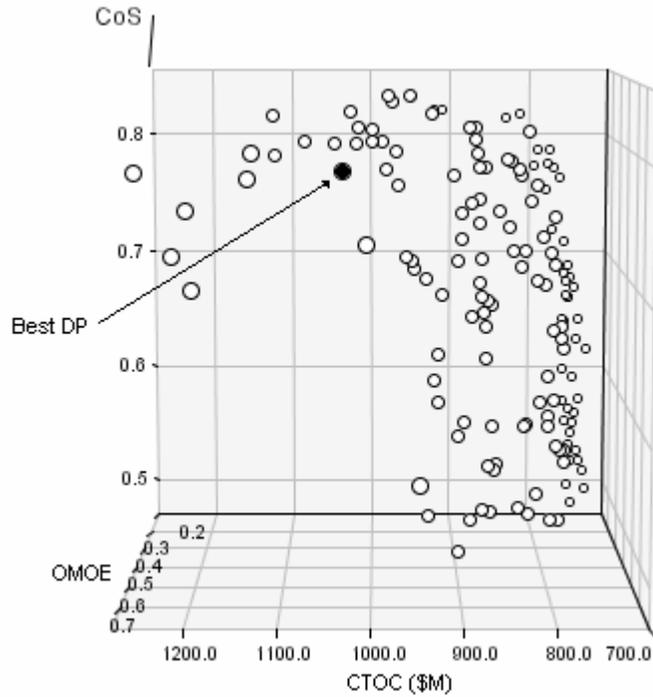


Figure 26 - 3-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Optimal DPs with CoS Objective Constraint

Table 17 - Possible Design Solutions with CoS Objective Constraint

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
Lowest CTOC DP	728.8	0.2483	0.6206
Highest OMOE DP	1210.1	0.7705	0.7358
Highest CoS DP	978.4	0.3243	0.8367
“Best” DP (see text)	1029.8	0.7329	0.7952

The three-dimensional scatter plot of Figure 26 is presented in two-dimensional form in Figure 27. The CoS levels are defined the same as before, only there are no “low” CoS level DPs or deterministically infeasible DPs on this plot because of the CoS objective constraint. The possible design solutions from Table 17 have been highlighted in Figure 27, as well as a few “knees” in the different CoS level fronts. The objective values of the five new “knees” are presented in Table 18. As mentioned earlier, all of the attractive designs from all of the optimization runs are analyzed in Section 5.5.2 to finalize a set of DPs for further evaluation.

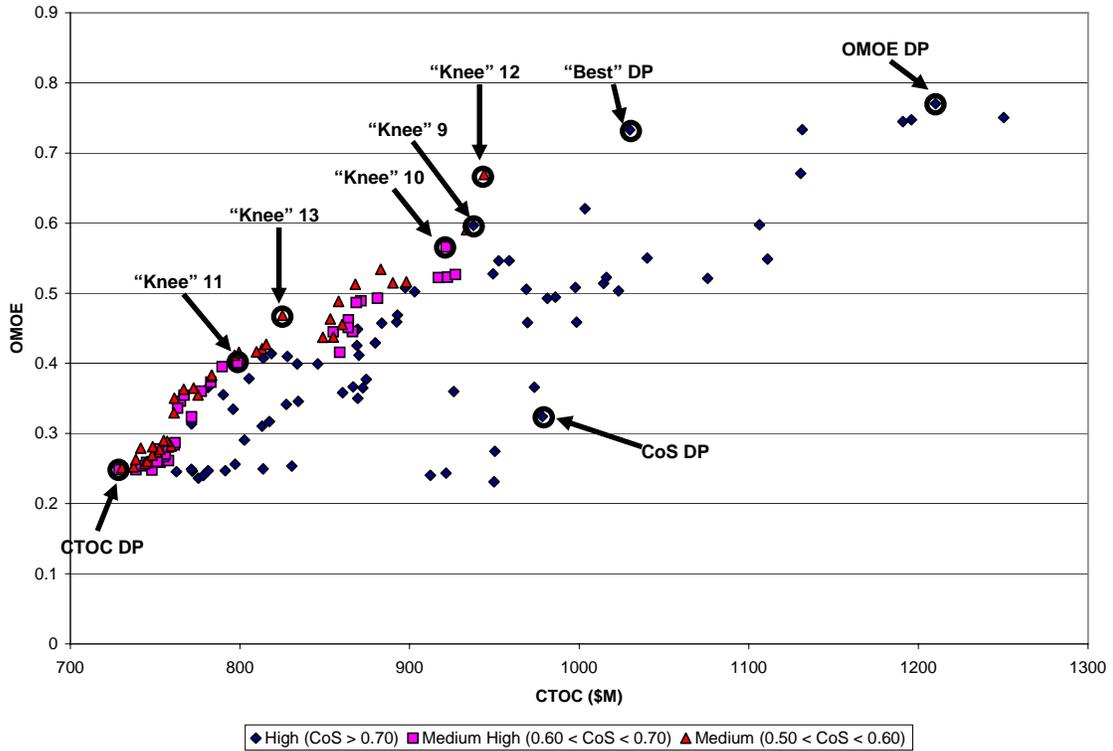


Figure 27 - 2-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Front with CoS Objective Constraint

Table 18 - Other Attractive Design Solutions with CoS Objective Constraint

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
“Knee” 9 DP	937.7	0.5966	0.7071
“Knee” 10 DP	921.5	0.5659	0.6086
“Knee” 11 DP	798.6	0.4010	0.6897
“Knee” 12 DP	944.0	0.6696	0.5572
“Knee” 13 DP	825.1	0.4684	0.5122

5.3 Segmented Optimization Runs

The optimization runs presented in Section 4.2.2, Section 5.1.2, and Section 5.2 all display an uneven distribution of points across the front for the entire CTOC range. For example, Figure 26 shows a fairly uniform distribution of points across the front for DPs with a CTOC less than 1000 (\$M), but also shows a very uneven distribution of points across the front for DPs with a CTOC greater than 1000 (\$M). For this reason, segmented optimization runs are performed in this section in an effort to find more Pareto optimal design solutions within other CTOC regions.

Three separate optimization runs focusing on different CTOC regions were performed in an effort to gain a uniform distribution of points across the front for all CTOC values. Each of these optimization runs was performed with the same optimization problem formulation in terms of objectives and constraints as Section 4.2,

only with an additional constraint on CTOC (there is no constraint on the CoS objective). These three additional CTOC constraints are as follows:

- 1st Run: $\text{CTOC}(\mathbf{x}) \leq \900 M
- 2nd Run: $\$900 \text{ M} < \text{CTOC}(\mathbf{x}) \leq \1100 M
- 3rd Run: $\text{CTOC}(\mathbf{x}) > \1100 M

where \mathbf{x} is the specific DP consisting of 47 design parameters. After the completion of all three optimization runs, the three separate Pareto fronts were combined to produce a single Pareto front for the entire CTOC range. The DDG 51 DP was again used as the initial design in the optimization process, and DV boundaries were defined to represent possible SC designs (See Table 3 and Appendix B). The GA was set up with a population size of 150 individual designs and 25 designs preserved from each generation for each of the three optimization runs. Termination criteria were preserved as 1,000 total generations or 130 generations without improvement for each of the three optimization runs. The uncertainty sources and standard deviations were kept the same as Section 4.2, and step sizes consistent with Table 13 were used for continuous DVs.

The three optimization runs took a combined 86.26 hours or 585 generations (population size of 150 individual designs instead of 300 individual designs) due to lack of improvement. This is an 85% increase in computational time compared to the initial optimization run of Chapter 4, showing that a piecewise Pareto front has a significant computational cost associated with it. Computational cost data for each of the three optimization runs is displayed in Table 19. The three optimization runs resulted in a piecewise three-dimensional NDF made up of 286 Pareto optimal design solutions, which are graphically presented as a three-dimensional scatter plot in Figure 28. Figure 28 shows that breaking up a single optimization run into a few separate runs can result in finding more Pareto optimal design solutions in different regions of the objective space. There is now a more uniform distribution of points across the entire front for the entire CTOC range.

Table 19 - Computational Cost of Three Segmented Runs

<i>Run</i>	Time (hours)	Generations	Feasible Designs	Infeasible Designs
<i>1st Run</i>	28.46	179	2,589	24,261
<i>2nd Run</i>	28.65	193	3,465	25,485
<i>3rd Run</i>	29.15	213	3,492	28,458
Total	86.26	585	9,546	78,204

The best designs for each objective are presented in Table 20, with the components of the Utopian solution presented in bold font. The “best” DP according to Equation (14) is also included as a possible design solution in Table 20. The optimization process did not find a design with a CTOC greater than \$1367.5 M, which means that the DDG 51 DP was not found in this optimization process. It should also be noted that the highest OMOE DP and highest CoS DP from Table 20 exhibit the highest objective values thus far. This shows that not only has the piecewise optimization resulted in a more uniform distribution of points across the Pareto front, but it has also produced new objective extremes.

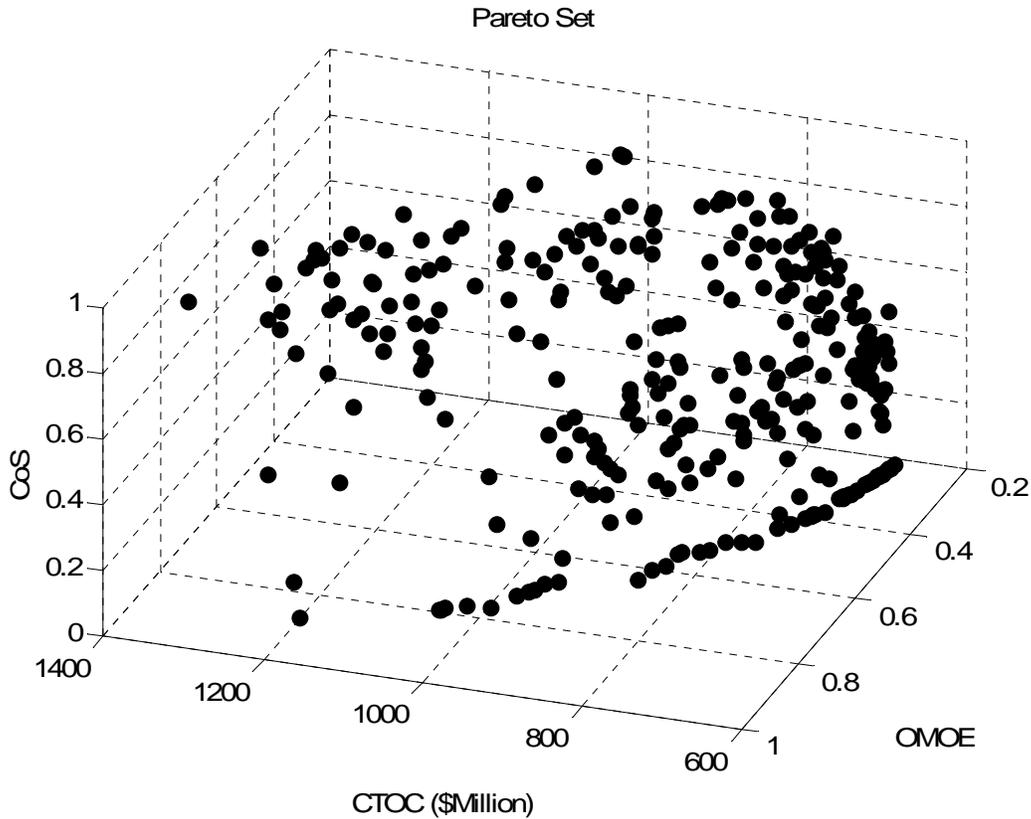


Figure 28 - 3-D Scatter Plot of Piecewise Pareto Optimal DPs

Table 20 - Possible Design Solutions using Piecewise Optimization

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
Lowest CTOC DP	689.1	0.2489	0.1485
Highest OMOE DP	1249.3	0.8461	0.3937
Highest CoS DP	1020.1	0.2465	0.8553
“Best” DP (see text)	1146.6	0.7726	0.7884

The three-dimensional scatter plot of Figure 28 is presented in two-dimensional form in Figure 29. The CoS levels are defined the same as before, and the “low” CoS level DPs and deterministically infeasible DPs have been removed. The design solutions from Table 20 have been highlighted in Figure 27, as well as the “knees” of the different CoS level fronts. The objective values of the four new “knees” are presented in Table 21. See Section 5.5.2 for further analysis of these DPs.

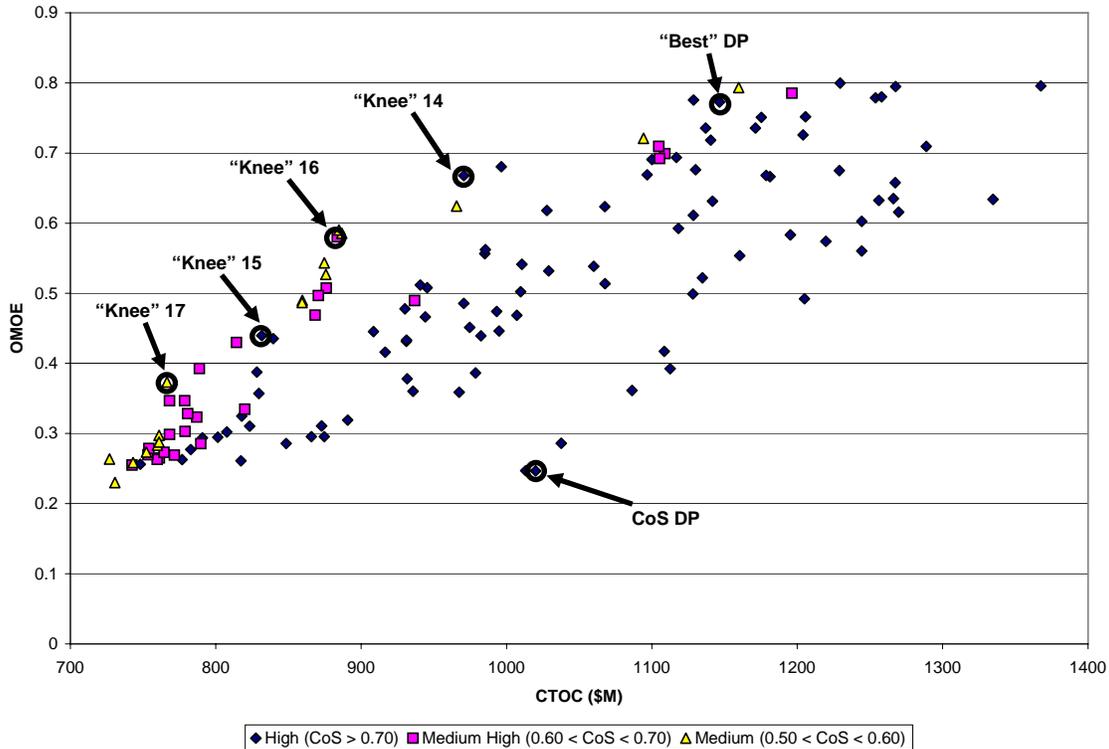


Figure 29 - 2-D Scatter Plot of Piecewise Pareto Optimal DPs

Table 21 - Other Attractive Design Solutions using Piecewise Optimization

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
“Knee” 14 DP	970.7	0.6678	0.7170
“Knee” 15 DP	831.7	0.4395	0.7055
“Knee” 16 DP	883.7	0.5805	0.6633
“Knee” 17 DP	766.5	0.3734	0.5632

This piecewise optimization resulted in a set of 286 Pareto optimal design solutions, more than any other optimization run. While many of these DPs were similar to those found in previous optimization runs, many were unique as well, especially in the higher CTOC region. This shows that if the designer is willing to pay more in terms of computational cost, breaking up a single optimization run into a few separate runs can result in a more uniform distribution of points across the Pareto front, as well as an increased number of potential design solutions.

5.4 Penalty Functions

Another method for improving optimization results involves penalizing designs in the proximity of others to encourage a more uniform distribution of points across the front, i.e. applying a penalty function to the model. Consider two designs, DP_1 and DP_2 , defined by their three objective values:

$$\begin{aligned} DP_1 &= (CTOC_1, OMOE_1, CoS_1) \\ DP_2 &= (CTOC_2, OMOE_2, CoS_2) \end{aligned}$$

The square of the distance between these two DPs is defined as:

$$Dist^2 = \left(\frac{CTOC_1 - CTOC_2}{\$1000M} \right)^2 + (OMOE_1 - OMOE_2)^2 + (CoS_1 - CoS_2)^2 \quad (15)$$

Note that CTOC has been non-dimensionalized by dividing by \$1000 M; OMOE and CoS are already non-dimensional objective functions. In the application of a penalty function, each individual design within a generation is compared to all previous designs within the same generation through this calculation. If the square of the distance between a new design and any of the previous designs is less than a given accepted value, then a penalty is applied for each violation.

This penalty function concept has been coded in MATLAB, and it is presented with comments in Appendix H. The code requires two new inputs: an acceptable square of the distance value and a penalty percentage. After examining the Pareto fronts from previous optimization runs, it was determined that 0.004 was an acceptable value to use for the square of the distance value. A few other values were used in initial trials, but 0.004 yielded the best results. Therefore, any square of the distance value between two DPs within the same generation that is less than 0.004 results in a penalty being applied to all three objectives. A penalty percentage of 25% was used in this work, and it is applied as follows:

$$CTOC_{new} = (1.00 + 0.25) \cdot CTOC_{old} = 1.25 \cdot CTOC_{old} \quad (16)$$

$$OMOE_{new} = (1.00 - 0.25) \cdot OMOE_{old} = 0.75 \cdot OMOE_{old} \quad (17)$$

$$CoS_{new} = (1.00 - 0.25) \cdot CoS_{old} = 0.75 \cdot CoS_{old} \quad (18)$$

Penalties are applied for each square of the distance violation, meaning an individual design could be penalized multiple times if it violates the acceptable square of the distance value with more than one other DP.

This penalty function was implemented and incorporated into the optimization process of the multi-disciplinary SC ship synthesis model. The penalty function module within the MC environment is shown in Figure 30. Optimization parameters consistent with Section 5.1.2 and step sizes consistent with Table 13 were used in the optimization process. The optimization problem formulation in terms of objectives and constraints (See Section 4.2) was also kept constant, as well as the uncertainty sources and standard deviations.

The GA terminated after 63.50 hours or 186 generations due to lack of improvement. There were a total of 55,800 individual designs evaluated: 43,293 deterministic infeasible and 12,507 deterministic feasible. Computational cost data for the optimization process is displayed in Table 22. Comparing Table 22 to Table 8 reveals that the average time per design evaluation has increased due to the penalty function. On average, an infeasible design evaluation took 3.18 seconds to complete, an increase of 12% from the initial optimization run of Chapter 4. A complete feasible design evaluation took 7.28 seconds to complete, an increase of 10% from the initial optimization run. In terms of the overall optimization process, the average individual design took 4.10 seconds to complete, an increase of 22% from the initial optimization

run. This means that there is a 22% increase in overall computational time to complete a three-dimensional objective space optimization with a penalty function.

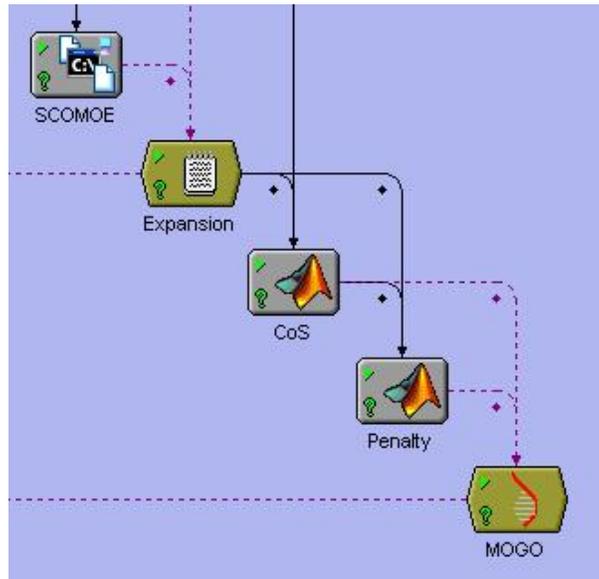


Figure 30 - Penalty Function in MC Environment

Table 22 - Computational Cost using Penalty Function

<i>Designs</i>	<i># of Evaluated Designs</i>	<i># of Model Evaluations</i>	<i>Total Time (hours)</i>	<i>Seconds per Design</i>	<i>Time Increase</i>
<i>Infeasible</i>	43,293	43,293	38.22	3.18	---
<i>Feasible</i>	12,507	37,521	25.28	7.28	129%
<i>All</i>	55,800	80,814	63.50	4.10	29%

The NDF for the optimization process using a penalty function is made up of 188 Pareto optimal design solutions, which are graphically presented as a three-dimensional scatter plot in Figure 31. Comparing these results to the original results from Figure 18 shows that the penalty function has yielded a much more uniform distribution of DPs across the front. For example, there is less niching of DPs in the low CTOC region and low CoS region, and more DPs have been found in the high CTOC region.

The best designs for each objective for this optimization run have been presented in Table 23, with the components of the Utopian solution presented in bold font. The “best” DP according to Equation (14) is again included as a possible design solution in Table 23. The optimization process again failed to find the DDG 51 DP, but the highest CoS DP from Table 23 exhibits the highest CoS value out of any DP found in any other optimization run. Just as before, a two-dimensional scatter plot of the Pareto optimal design solutions is presented in Figure 32. The design solutions from Table 23 have been highlighted in this two-dimensional scatter plot, and three “knees” from different CoS level fronts have been highlighted as well. The objective values of the three new “knees” are presented in Table 24. Designs from both Table 23 and Table 24 are analyzed in greater detail in Section 5.5.2.

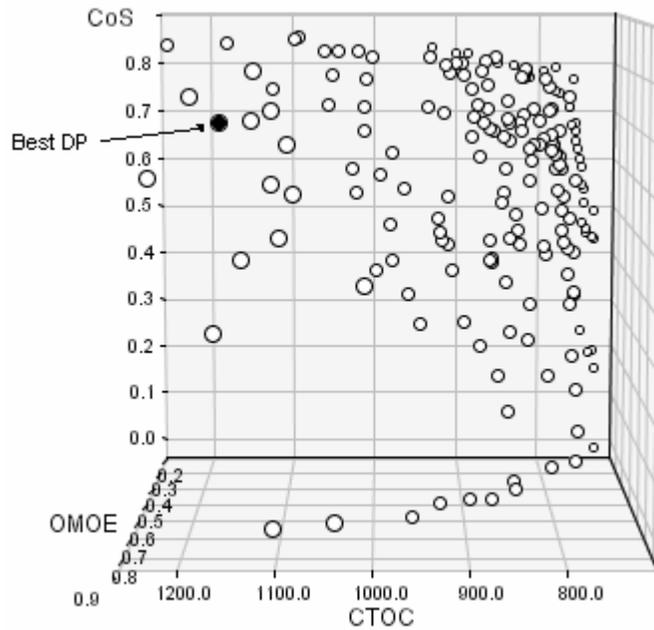


Figure 31 - 3-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Optimal DPs using Penalty Function

Table 23 - Possible Design Solutions using Penalty Function

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
Lowest CTOC DP	733.9	0.2289	0.2000
Highest OMOE DP	1162.5	0.8262	0.3720
Highest CoS DP	1089.4	0.2845	0.8594
“Best” DP (see text)	1157.0	0.7684	0.7340

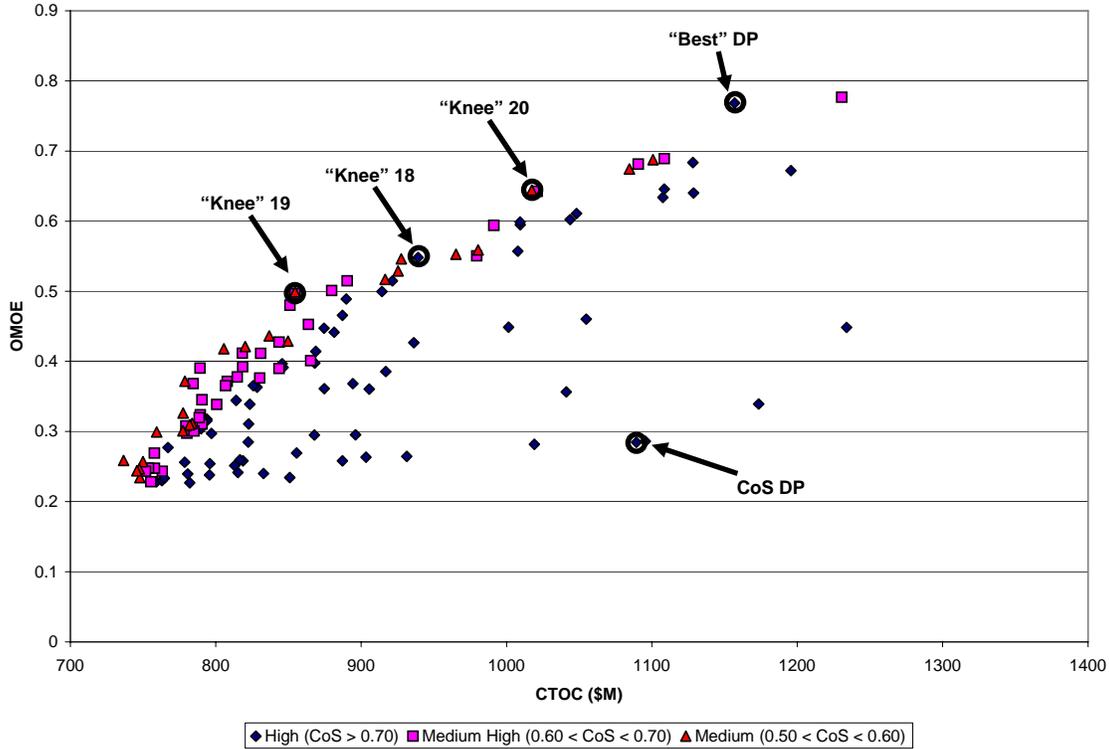


Figure 32 - 2-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Front using Penalty Function

Table 24 – Other Attractive Design Solutions using Penalty Function

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
“Knee” 18 DP	939.2	0.5481	0.7413
“Knee” 19 DP	854.6	0.4964	0.6807
“Knee” 20 DP	1017.4	0.6441	0.5940

5.5 Recommendations and Final DPs for Further Evaluation

5.5.1 Recommendations

This Chapter has discussed many methods for improving optimization results in order to promote a more uniform distribution of points across the Pareto front. Some methods were more effective than others, and the degree of effectiveness was often a function of added computational cost. For example, making slight modifications to the optimization problem definition using the Darwin Optimization plug-in itself resulted in minor improvements without any significant change in computational cost. On the other hand, using piecewise optimization methods or a penalty function resulted in a much more uniform distribution of DPs, but also an associated higher computational cost. Therefore, the decision of which of these methods to use should ultimately be left up to the designer and how much they are willing to pay for quality results.

Whether or not any of the methods discussed in this chapter are actually used, it is critical that the optimization problem in terms of objectives, constraints, and DVs is

formulated correctly. Otherwise none of the aforementioned optimization improvement methods will serve any useful purpose. This includes applying any desired constraints to the objectives themselves, such as the constraint on the CoS objective discussed in Section 5.2. Once the optimization problem is formulated correctly, it is recommended that the continuous DVs are discretized to reduce the number of possible designs the optimizer has to search. In this work, discretization of the continuous DVs resulted in a remarkable 10^7 order decrease in possible designs (a reduction of 10^{27} possible designs to 10^{20} possible designs). It is then recommended that the optimization parameters discussed in Section 5.1.2 are adjusted to suit the optimization problem at hand since these parameters have little impact on the average time per design.

Once the optimization problem definition has been finalized, a penalty function or piecewise optimization can be used to enhance the initial results. The most logical choice between these two methods is the penalty function, since it accomplishes improved optimization results with one single optimization run. However, it would be even more beneficial if a penalty function were built into the Darwin Optimization plug-in itself. The required inputs for the penalty function could be added to the Darwin Optimization plug-in GUI, and incorporation of the penalty function into the actual GA would offer decreased computational time over using a separate penalty function module, as is done in this work. If a penalty function still does not yield sufficient optimization results, then piecewise optimization of different objective segments could be performed to finalize the Pareto front distribution.

5.5.2 Final DPs for Further Evaluation

Many attractive design solutions have been found through the optimization runs of Chapter 4 and Chapter 5. However, only a few of these designs have been selected for further evaluation in Chapter 6 and Chapter 7. In this work, the objective extremes with a CoS greater than 50%, the DDG 51 DP, the universal “best” DP according to Equation (14), and a few of the “knees” have been selected for this purpose.

The objective extremes with a CoS greater than 50% and the DDG 51 DP have been reproduced in Table 25. The components of the Utopian solution have again been presented in bold font. These four designs come from three different optimization runs, and all 47 model parameters for each of these designs can be found in Appendix I. The DDG 51 DP model parameter values found in Appendix I correspond to the rounded DV values found in the optimization run of Chapter 4. It should be noted that the “fitness” for each design has been included in Table 25. “Fitness” in this work is defined as:

$$Fitness = \left(\frac{OMOE \cdot CoS}{CTOC(\$M)} \right) \cdot 1000 \quad (19)$$

where a higher “fitness” level indicates a “better” design. It should also be noted that the highest OMOE DP from Table 25 outperforms the DDG 51 DP in all objectives concurrently. This means that this DDG 51 DP is not Pareto optimal and should not ever be chosen as a baseline design over the highest OMOE DP presented in Table 25.

The “best” designs according to Equation (14) from each optimization run are reproduced in Table 26 and ranked according to “fitness” as defined by Equation (19). The design with the highest “fitness” level in Table 26 has been labeled the universal “best” DP, and all 47 model parameters for this design can be found in Appendix I as

well. It should be noted that all of these designs exhibit higher “fitness” levels than the universal objective extremes, with the exception of the highest OMOE DP.

Table 25 - Universal Objective Extremes and DDG 51 DP

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOEO	CoS	Fitness
Lowest CTOC DP (Section 5.2)	728.8	0.2483	0.6206	0.2114
Highest OMOEO DP (Section 5.2)	1210.1	0.7705	0.7358	0.4685
Highest CoS DP (Section 5.4)	1089.4	0.2845	0.8594	0.2244
DDG 51 DP (Section 4.2.2)	1455.8	0.7685	0.4276	0.2257

Table 26 - Reproduction of "Best" DPs

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOEO	CoS	Fitness
<i>Universal "Best" DP (Section 5.2)</i>	1029.8	0.7329	0.7952	0.5659
"Best" DP (Section 5.3)	1146.6	0.7726	0.7884	0.5312
"Best" DP (Section 5.4)	1157.0	0.7684	0.7340	0.4875
"Best" DP (Section 5.1.2)	1296.6	0.7470	0.8177	0.4711
"Best" DP (Section 4.2.2)	1081.2	0.6928	0.6833	0.4378

The “knees” from each optimization run are reproduced in Table 27 and also ranked according to “fitness” as defined by Equation (19). The three “knees” with the highest “fitness” levels are presented in bold font and have been selected for further evaluation. The 47 model parameters for these three designs are also presented in Appendix I.

Table 27 - Reproduction of "Knees"

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOEO	CoS	Fitness
"Knee" 14 DP (Section 5.3)	970.7	0.6678	0.7170	0.4933
"Knee" 6 DP (Section 5.1.2)	933.5	0.6236	0.6957	0.4647
"Knee" 5 DP (Section 5.1.2)	894.1	0.5534	0.7278	0.4505
"Knee" 9 DP (Section 5.2)	937.7	0.5966	0.7071	0.4499
"Knee" 16 DP (Section 5.3)	883.7	0.5805	0.6633	0.4357
"Knee" 18 DP (Section 5.4)	939.2	0.5481	0.7413	0.4326
"Knee" 1 DP (Section 4.2.2)	973.2	0.5411	0.7437	0.4135
"Knee" 19 DP (Section 5.4)	854.6	0.4964	0.6807	0.3954
"Knee" 12 DP (Section 5.2)	944.0	0.6696	0.5572	0.3952
"Knee" 20 DP (Section 5.4)	1017.4	0.6441	0.5940	0.3761
"Knee" 10 DP (Section 5.2)	921.5	0.5659	0.6086	0.3737
"Knee" 15 DP (Section 5.3)	831.7	0.4395	0.7055	0.3728
"Knee" 7 DP (Section 5.1.2)	784.1	0.3978	0.6990	0.3546
"Knee" 11 DP (Section 5.2)	798.6	0.4010	0.6897	0.3463
"Knee" 2 DP (Section 4.2.2)	856.1	0.4648	0.6199	0.3366
"Knee" 4 DP (Section 4.2.2)	956.1	0.5834	0.5061	0.3088
"Knee" 13 DP (Section 5.2)	825.1	0.4684	0.5122	0.2908
"Knee" 3 DP (Section 4.2.2)	840.1	0.4418	0.5447	0.2865
"Knee" 17 DP (Section 5.3)	766.5	0.3734	0.5632	0.2744
"Knee" 8 DP (Section 5.1.2)	730.4	0.2497	0.5025	0.1718

The eight final designs selected for further evaluation in Chapter 6 and Chapter 7 are presented in Table 28. More sources of uncertainty are examined in Chapter 6, and these eight designs will be used as model evaluation DPs. Table 28 shows that the universal “best” DP and the three “knees” appear to be “better” design solutions than the objective extremes. This proves that trade-offs are very important in MDO, not the optimization of a single objective value. Often the optimal system design is unique and non-intuitive in regard to any specific discipline or objective.

Examining the DVs of Appendix I reveals a few similarities among the final DPs selected for further evaluation. The first similarity is that most of the design solutions have steel deckhouses (CDHMAT=1). There is also a trend to use Integrated Electric Drives (IED) with two shafts as a propulsion system option (PSYS=16 or PSYS=17). A 76 mm MK75 gun was popular as an NSFS option (NSFS=2), and most design solutions only offer in-flight refueling (LAMPS=3) instead of embarked LAMPS with a hangar or a LAMPS haven (flight deck). The last similarity is that most of the design solutions from Table 28 have a degaussing system (Ndegaus=1). No similarities were found for continuous DVs, suggesting there is no preference for size in terms of the performance of all three objectives. For a complete listing of the design space for the SC discrete DVs, please see Appendix J.

Table 28 - Final DPs Selected for Further Evaluation

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS	Fitness
Lowest CTOC DP (Section 5.2)	728.8	0.2483	0.6206	0.2114
Highest OMOE DP (Section 5.2)	1210.1	0.7705	0.7358	0.4685
Highest CoS DP (Section 5.4)	1089.4	0.2845	0.8594	0.2244
DDG 51 DP (Section 4.2.2)	1455.8	0.7685	0.4276	0.2257
Universal “Best” DP (Section 5.2)	1029.8	0.7329	0.7952	0.5659
“Knee” 14 DP (Section 5.3)	970.7	0.6678	0.7170	0.4933
“Knee” 6 DP (Section 5.1.2)	933.5	0.6236	0.6957	0.4647
“Knee” 5 DP (Section 5.1.2)	894.1	0.5534	0.7278	0.4505

6 Handling Multiple Sources of Uncertainty

The two most significant sources of uncertainty lie in the resistance and weight calculations. As a result, the model is first executed with only two uncertain RVs, bare hull resistance and lightship weight (See Chapter 4 and Chapter 5). However, there are still other critical sources of uncertainty embedded within the ship synthesis model, and these uncertainties need to be realistically quantified and represented in the model as well in order to investigate their relative importance to the overall design uncertainty. In this work, a handful of parameters that directly affect the nine design constraints of Table 4 were identified as other sources of uncertainty; these parameters are listed in Table 6. Lightship weight is also a function of three individual components with three associated uncertain RVs (See Table 5). This chapter implements and incorporates these other uncertainties into the optimization process of the multi-disciplinary SC ship synthesis model.

6.1 Confidence of Success Concept Extended to More than Two Uncertain Variables

The initial Confidence of Success (CoS) concept, and its calculation for two uncertain variables, was developed by Emanuel Klasen at VT AOE. The concept is described in detail in Appendix A, and the two variable Matlab code is presented with comments in Appendix E. To adapt this CoS calculation for more than two uncertain variables, a few modifications need to be made.

Consider four standard normal distributed RVs: x_1 , x_2 , x_3 , and x_4 . An approximate response function Z_{MV} is derived via a first order Taylor series expansion linearized at the mean values of the RVs (Klasen, 2005). This now calls for five system evaluations in order to calculate the coefficient vector \mathbf{A} :

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{A} \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} z_0 \\ z_1 \\ z_2 \\ z_3 \\ z_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \\ 1 & x_1 + \Delta x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \\ 1 & x_1 & x_2 + \Delta x_2 & x_3 & x_4 \\ 1 & x_1 & x_2 & x_3 + \Delta x_3 & x_4 \\ 1 & x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 + \Delta x_4 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

yielding

$$Z_{MV}(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = a_0 + a_1 \cdot x_1 + a_2 \cdot x_2 + a_3 \cdot x_3 + a_4 \cdot x_4 \quad (21)$$

The approximate LSFs are still calculated from Equation (4):

$$g(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = Z_{MV}(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) - Z_{ls} = 0 \quad (22)$$

where Z_{ls} represents the limit state values defining the boundary between the infeasible and feasible regions in the design space (Klasen, 2005).

Introducing the JPfD of the four standard normal distributed and independent RVs and applying the LSFs yields the CoS of satisfying all constraints and meeting performance objectives (Klasen, 2005). Probability is calculated using a summation

approximation of the JPDF $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$ integral. However, in the modification for more than two uncertain variables, the variable space is now limited to the interval $[-3, 3]$ for $x_1, x_2, x_3,$ and x_4 instead of $[-5, 5]$ (Montgomery et al., 2004):

$$P(\mu - 3\sigma < X < \mu + 3\sigma) = 0.9973 \tag{23}$$

When the number of uncertain variables is increased, tensors are needed instead of matrices to approximate the JPDF integral, resulting in an exponential increase in the number of required subintervals. This exponential increase in subintervals leads to an exponential increase in total number of required calculations and computer memory usage as well. The area under a normal PDF distribution between 3σ and 5σ from the mean is very small (0.002699), and this reduction in variable space is required to reduce the number of required subintervals and thus the computational cost of the multi-variable CoS calculation.

As mentioned in Appendix A, the variable space is discretized into a definite number of subintervals, and the discrete values in the feasible regions, defined by the LSFs, are summed in the CoS calculation. The variable space is given a finer mesh in the high density region of each marginal function to reduce the error when the LSFs are close to the variable mean values:

$$\int_a^b \int_c^d \int_e^f \int_g^h f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 dx_4 \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{m=1}^n f(x_{1i}, x_{2j}, x_{3k}, x_{4m}) \Delta x_{1i} \Delta x_{2j} \Delta x_{3k} \Delta x_{4m} \tag{24}$$

where n is the number of subintervals, $x_{1i}, x_{2j}, x_{3k},$ and x_{4m} are the midpoints, and $\Delta x_{1i}, \Delta x_{2j}, \Delta x_{3k},$ and Δx_{4m} are the side lengths of interval $i, j, k,$ and m in the $x_1, x_2, x_3,$ and x_4 direction respectively (Klasen, 2005).

For the two uncertain variable CoS calculation, the mesh is generated in a logarithmic fashion in each quadrant of variable space, with 125 intervals in each direction. However, now that the variable space is limited to the interval $[-3, 3]$ instead of $[-5, 5]$, the mesh is generated in a logarithmic fashion in each quadrant of variable space with 75 intervals in each direction. The finest mesh is located in the corner closest to the mean values, and the quadrants are mirrored at the mean values, thus giving a finer mesh in the high density region, as shown in Figure 33 (Klasen, 2005).

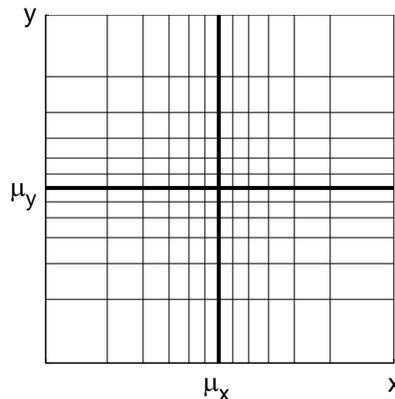


Figure 33 - Logarithmically Divided Variable Space – from Klasen (2005)

To further decrease the total number of required calculations and computer memory usage when more uncertain variables are added, the number of intervals in each direction must also be reduced in addition to the variable space itself. Taking the CoS value calculated using a [-3, 3] variable space with 75 intervals in each direction as the assumed correct value, the percentage of relative error was computed for various numbers of intervals in each direction. A plot of the results displayed in Figure 34 shows that beyond 15 intervals in each direction, relative error consistently fluctuates with a maximum relative error of 2.4%. This means that subdividing the variable space with more than 15 intervals in each direction does not provide significant improvement in CoS accuracy. For this reason, the number of intervals in each direction was reduced from 75 intervals to 30 intervals for the three uncertain variable CoS calculation. The number of intervals in each direction was also reduced from 75 intervals to 12 intervals for the four uncertain variable CoS calculation due to the fact that 12 intervals is the maximum number of subintervals the twin-processor Dell PSW650 (Xeon 2x2.66 GHz CPU, 1.0 GB RAM) can handle with reasonable accuracy and efficiency. Increasing beyond 12 intervals leads to an enormous increase in computational time as well as computer memory shortages.

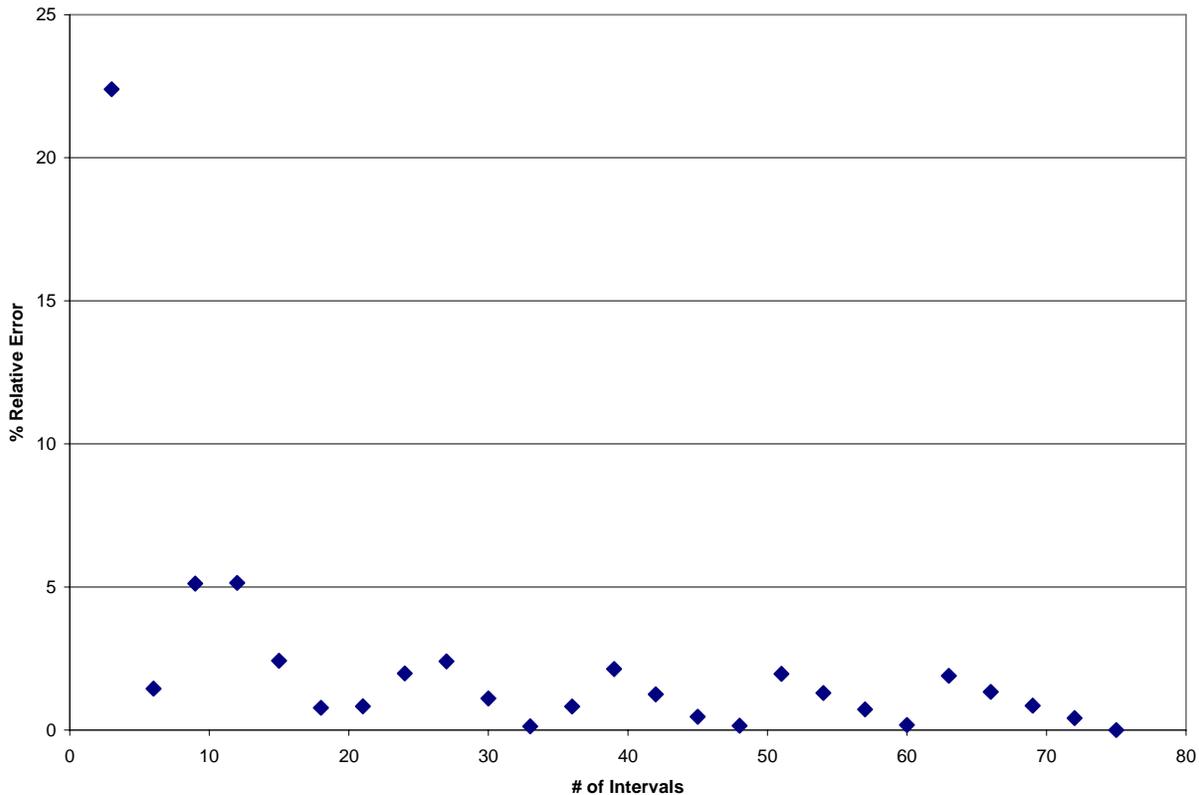


Figure 34 - CoS % Relative Error vs. # of Intervals in One Direction

6.2 Model Execution with Three Uncertain Random Variables

As mentioned previously, the two most critical sources of uncertainty in the multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model lie in the resistance and weight calculations. As a result, the CoS calculation is first implemented and incorporated into the optimization

process of the ship synthesis model by considering only uncertainties in the resistance and weight calculations. This section examines the effects of adding a third uncertain RV, the ship's center of gravity (KG), to the optimization of the ship synthesis model. However, before this model execution, a validation of the three uncertain RV CoS calculation is performed.

6.2.1 CoS Calculation Validation

The usage of the suggested MV-based CoS calculation calls for close to linear responses locally within the design space and/or concentration of responses around the mean performance value. However, it is much more difficult to evaluate the linearity of responses in the presence of more than two uncertain RVs. Therefore, instead of visually comparing response surfaces, a full calculation of CoS in the presence of three uncertain RVs was performed for the DDG 51 DP, and it was compared to its MCS calculation in Table 29. In Table 29, percentages represent the probability of feasibility for each specific criterion. There is very good resemblance between the two calculations, and the only considerable error is the 5.19% related to the OMOE objective. Also, the error of the overall CoS calculation is only 0.14%. This relatively good agreement of all criteria except the OMOE objective indicates that the first order Taylor series expansion of MV should still be sufficient to approximate the response functions accurately in local regions of any DP when three uncertain RVs are considered. This means that the three uncertain RV CoS calculation suggested in this work (Appendix F) is applicable.

Table 29 - CoS Calculation compared to MCS for DDG 51 DP (3 Uncertain RVs)

Criterion	MCS (%)	CoS (%)	Error (%)
CTOC	84.20	83.72	-0.48
OMOE	88.57	83.39	-5.19
Ata	77.99	77.46	-0.53
Ada	100.00	99.10	-0.90
Vs	100.00	99.10	-0.90
Pbpend	100.00	99.10	-0.90
KWg	100.00	99.10	-0.90
Cgmbmin	95.99	95.42	-0.57
Cgmbmax	100.00	99.10	-0.89
D10	100.00	99.10	-0.90
E	75.36	75.00	-0.36
CoS	52.20	52.35	0.14

6.2.2 MOGO Implementing Confidence of Success

Multi-objective genetic optimization (MOGO) considering three sources of uncertainty via a CoS calculation was performed using the updated multi-disciplinary SC ship synthesis model described in Chapter 3. The optimization problem is still formulated as:

Objectives:

- minimize CTOC(\mathbf{x})
- maximize OMOE(\mathbf{x})
- maximize CoS(\mathbf{x})

Constraints:

- $Ata(\mathbf{x}) \geq Atamin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Ada(\mathbf{x}) \geq Adamin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Vs(\mathbf{x}) \geq 28$ knots
- $Pbpend(\mathbf{x}) \geq Pbpendmin(\mathbf{x})$
- $KWg(\mathbf{x}) \geq KWgmin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Cgmbmin(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0.05$
- $Cgmbmax(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0.15$
- $D10(\mathbf{x}) \geq D10min(\mathbf{x})$
- $E(\mathbf{x}) \geq 3500$ nm

where \mathbf{x} is the specific DP consisting of 47 design parameters, including D10 itself. The DDG 51 DP is used as the initial design in the optimization process, and DV boundaries are defined to represent possible SC designs (See Table 3 and Appendix B). The GA is set up just as Section 5.1.2. This means that it will produce generations with a population size of 300 individual designs each, and the 50 “best” individuals will be preserved from each generation for crossover and mutation. The optimizer is programmed to stop after 1,000 generations or 130 generations without improvement, and the new step sizes for continuous DVs listed in Table 13 are used. It should also be noted that the LSF of the cost objective is still activated at the deterministic CTOC mean plus 2.74%, while the LSF of the overall effectiveness objective is still activated at the deterministic OMOE mean minus 1.58%. Please refer to Section 4.1 for the origin of these values. Penalty functions and piecewise optimization methods were not used for more than two sources of uncertainty so that the effects of adding more sources of uncertainty could be better analyzed.

In this model execution, three sources of uncertainty are considered. These three sources of uncertainty are listed below in Table 30 along with their δ values and descriptions. The origin of these standard deviations can be found in Section 3.3.2, 3.3.3, and 3.3.4.

Table 30 - Uncertainties Analyzed in 3 Uncertain RVs Analysis

Random Variable	δ Value	Description
R_T	7.98%	RV for bare hull resistance
Wls	10.00%	RV for lightship weight
KG	3.65%	RV for KG value

6.2.2.1 Computational Cost

The GA terminated after 61.85 hours or 202 generations due to lack of improvement. There were a total of 60,600 individual designs evaluated: 54,272 deterministic infeasible and 6,328 deterministic feasible. Computational cost data for the optimization

process is displayed in Table 31. CoS was calculated for all deterministic feasible designs, adding an extra 18,984 model evaluations to the 60,600 model evaluations due to initial individual design feasibility checks. On average, an infeasible design evaluation took 2.80 seconds to complete, while a complete feasible design evaluation took 11.15 seconds to complete, an increase of 298% compared to an infeasible design evaluation. This large increase in computational time is due to the four model evaluations required for each feasible DP, compared to the single model evaluation required for infeasible DPs. In terms of the overall optimization process, the average individual design took 3.67 seconds to evaluate. This means that there is a 31% increase in overall computational time to complete a three-dimensional objective space optimization with three sources of uncertainty instead of a typical two-dimensional objective space optimization that does not consider uncertainty at all. As mentioned earlier, the increase in computational cost is a function of the number of uncertainties analyzed in the model, and computational cost will continue to go up as more uncertain RVs are added to the model. Compared to the optimization run of Section 5.1.2 that only considered two sources of uncertainty, feasible design evaluations are up 68% from 6.64 seconds per evaluation to 11.15 seconds per evaluation. Comparing the overall average design evaluations, evaluation time is up 12% from 3.28 seconds per evaluation to 3.67 seconds per evaluation. The computational cost of four sources of uncertainty is discussed in Section 6.3.2.1.

Table 31 - Computational Cost using 3 Uncertain RVs

<i>Designs</i>	# of Evaluated Designs	# of Model Evaluations	Total Time (hours)	Seconds per Design	Time Increase
<i>Infeasible</i>	54,272	54,272	42.25	2.80	---
<i>Feasible</i>	6,328	25,312	19.60	11.15	298%
<i>All</i>	60,600	79,584	61.85	3.67	31%

6.2.2.2 Optimization Results

The optimization process considering three sources of uncertainty resulted in a three-dimensional NDF made up of 228 Pareto optimal design solutions, which are graphically presented as a three-dimensional scatter plot in Figure 35. This three-dimensional scatter plot shows results very similar to the results that only consider two sources of uncertainty (Section 5.1.2). This is because the third source of uncertainty, KG, has a very low coefficient of variation and does not contribute much to the CoS probability calculation, i.e. it does not eliminate many more designs. As a result, the three-dimensional Pareto front produced considering three sources of uncertainty is made up of similar designs as the three-dimensional Pareto front produced considering only two sources of uncertainty, just with slightly reduced CoS levels. Both Pareto fronts also exhibit a similar distribution of points across the Pareto front. The best designs for each objective have been presented in Table 32, with the components of the Utopian solution, [682.8, 0.8333, 0.8216], presented in bold font. Comparing this Utopian solution to the Utopian solution from Section 5.1.2, [687.9, 0.7648, 0.8522], reveals that the best designs for each objective are very similar, showing further similarities between Pareto fronts.

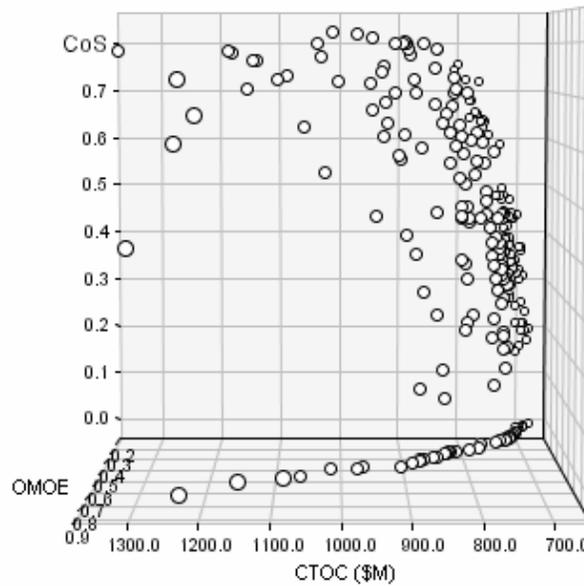


Figure 35 - 3-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Optimal DPs considering 3 Uncertain RVs

Table 32 – Best Single Objective DPs considering 3 Uncertain RVs

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
Lowest CTOC DP	682.8	0.2190	0.1977
Highest OMOE DP	1306.6	0.8333	0.4322
Highest CoS DP	1012.1	0.3589	0.8216

Another approach to examine the effects of adding a third source of uncertainty is to calculate the changes in CoS and “fitness” for the eight final DPs selected for further evaluation shown in Table 28. These eight final DPs have been reproduced in Table 33 with their old and new CoS and “fitness” values. “Fitness” is calculated via Equation (19), and it is a reflection of all three objectives. The objectives CTOC and OMOE were not recalculated because they do not vary with uncertainty. Table 33 shows that adding KG as a third RV only slightly reduces the CoS values of the eight final DPs, resulting in a corresponding slight reduction in “fitness” as well. The largest change in CoS was for the “Knee” 5 DP, which had an 11.67% reduction in CoS leading to a corresponding reduction in “fitness” from 0.4505 to 0.3782. If the eight DPs were to be ranked according to “fitness,” the only difference in order would be that the Highest CoS DP is now slightly more “fit” than the DDG 51 DP.

Table 33 – Final DPs considering 3 Uncertain RVs

Design Solution	Old CoS	New CoS	Old Fitness	New Fitness
Lowest CTOC DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.6206	0.6045	0.2114	0.2060
Highest OMOE DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.7358	0.7340	0.4685	0.4674
Highest CoS DP (Sect. 5.4)	0.8594	0.8514	0.2244	0.2223
DDG 51 DP (Sect. 4.2.2)	0.4276	0.4205	0.2257	0.2220
Universal “Best” DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.7952	0.7457	0.5659	0.5307
“Knee” 14 DP (Sect. 5.3)	0.7170	0.6937	0.4933	0.4772
“Knee” 6 DP (Sect. 5.1.2)	0.6957	0.6900	0.4647	0.4609
“Knee” 5 DP (Sect. 5.1.2)	0.7278	0.6111	0.4505	0.3782

6.3 Model Execution with Four Uncertain Random Variables

The previous section examined the effects of adding a third uncertain random variable, the ship's center of gravity (KG), to the optimization of the ship synthesis model. This section focuses on examining four sources of uncertainty within the ship synthesis model. As mentioned in Section 3.3.3, similarities between weight groups allow weight to be analyzed with three RVs as shown in Table 5. These three coefficients of variation allow the uncertainty of weight to be better quantified than the original 10% coefficient of variation assigned to the total lightship weight (Wls). The four RVs are now R_T , W16, W235, and W47. However, before this model execution, a validation of the four uncertain RV CoS calculation is performed.

6.3.1 CoS Calculation Validation

A full calculation of CoS in the presence of four uncertain RVs was again performed for the DDG 51 DP, and it was compared to the MCS calculation in Table 34. In Table 34, percentages represent the probability of feasibility for each specific criterion. There is still very good resemblance between the two calculations despite the decrease in both variable space and number of subintervals in the CoS approximation. The only significant error is the 4.60% again related to the OMOE objective. The error of the overall CoS calculation is only 1.23%. This relatively good agreement of all criteria except the OMOE objective indicates that the first order Taylor series expansion of MV is still accurate enough to predict response functions in local regions of any DP when up to four uncertain RVs are considered. Hence, the four uncertain RV CoS calculation suggested in this work (Appendix G) is applicable.

Table 34 - CoS Calculation compared to MCS for DDG 51 DP (4 Uncertain RVs)

Criterion	MCS	CoS (%)	Error (%)
CTOC	98.00	98.11	0.10
OMOE	93.51	98.11	4.60
Ata	89.39	87.60	-1.79
Ada	100.00	98.11	-1.89
Vs	100.00	98.11	-1.89
Pbpengend	100.00	98.11	-1.89
KWg	100.00	98.11	-1.89
Cgmbmin	100.00	98.11	-1.89
Cgmbmax	100.00	98.11	-1.89
D10	100.00	98.11	-1.89
E	86.50	85.12	-1.38
CoS	75.84	74.61	-1.23

6.3.2 MOGO Implementing Confidence of Success

Multi-objective genetic optimization (MOGO) considering four sources of uncertainty via a CoS calculation was performed using the updated multi-disciplinary SC ship synthesis model described in Chapter 3. The model execution setup is identical to that of Section 6.2.2. The four sources of uncertainty are listed below in Table 35 along

with their δ values and descriptions. The origin of these standard deviations can be found in Section 3.2.2 and 3.2.3.

Table 35 - Uncertainties Analyzed in 4 Uncertain RVs Analysis

Random Variable	δ Value	Description
R_T	7.98%	RV for bare hull resistance
W16	9.94%	RV for SWBS 100 & 600 weight groups
W235	5.74%	RV for SWBS 200, 300, & 500 weight groups
W47	9.65%	RV for SWBS 400 & 700 weight groups

6.3.2.1 Computational Cost

The GA terminated after 95.81 hours or 173 generations due to lack of improvement. There were a total of 51,900 individual designs evaluated: 41,353 deterministic infeasible and 10,547 deterministic feasible. Computational cost data for the optimization process is displayed in Table 36. CoS was calculated for all deterministic feasible designs, adding an extra 42,188 model evaluations to the 51,900 model evaluations due to initial individual design feasibility checks. On average, an infeasible design took 3.32 seconds to complete, while a complete feasible design evaluation took 19.67 seconds to complete, an increase of 492% over an infeasible design evaluation. This large increase in computational time is due to the five model evaluations now required for each feasible DP, compared to the single model evaluation required for infeasible DPs. In terms of the overall optimization process, the average individual design took 6.65 seconds to evaluate, which is double the time it takes to evaluate an infeasible design. This means that it takes twice as long to complete a three-dimensional objective space optimization with four sources of uncertainty instead of a typical two-dimensional objective space optimization that does not consider uncertainty at all.

Table 36 - Computational Cost using 4 Uncertain RVs

Designs	# of Evaluated Designs	# of Model Evaluations	Total Time (hours)	Seconds per Design	Time Increase
<i>Infeasible</i>	41,353	41,353	38.18	3.32	---
<i>Feasible</i>	10,547	52,735	57.62	19.67	492%
<i>All</i>	51,900	94,088	95.81	6.65	100%

Table 36 shows the trend of computational cost increasing significantly as more uncertain RVs are added to the model. Compared to the optimization run of Section 5.1.2 that only considered two sources of uncertainty, feasible design evaluations are up 196% from 6.64 seconds per evaluation to 19.67 seconds per evaluation. Comparing the overall average design evaluations, evaluation time is up 103% from 3.28 seconds per evaluation to 6.65 seconds per evaluation. Computational cost data as a function of the number of RVs is displayed in Table 37, with projected times for five and six RVs. These projections are based on exponential extrapolation, and they are only very rough estimates that assume similar time saving modifications can be made for five and six RVs that were made for three and four RVs as discussed in Section 6.1. It should be noted that a five RV CoS calculation for a feasible design was performed successfully on another computer with more memory capability. However, the evaluation took an

astonishing 598.8 seconds to complete, which is nearly 20 times the prediction in Table 37. This shows that computers with not only increased memory capability, but also significantly increased computing power are required to handle more than four uncertain RVs. These resources were not available in this academic exercise, and hence no five or six uncertain RV optimization runs were performed in this work.

Table 37 - Computational Cost Data as a function of the number of RVs (* denotes projection)

# of RVs	Avg. Feasible Design	Avg. Overall Design	Overall Time Increase
2	6.64 seconds	3.28 seconds	---
3	11.15 seconds	3.67 seconds	11.89%
4	19.67 seconds	6.65 seconds	102.74%
5*	33.58 seconds	8.74 seconds	166.46%
6*	57.80 seconds	12.44 seconds	279.27%

6.3.2.2 Optimization Results

The optimization process considering four sources of uncertainty resulted in a three-dimensional NDF made up of 207 Pareto optimal design solutions, which are graphically presented as a three-dimensional scatter plot in Figure 36. This three-dimensional scatter plot shows a very similar distribution of points across the front as the results that only consider two (Section 5.1.2) and three sources of uncertainty (Section 6.2.2.2). However, there is a very noticeable difference in the CoS levels of these points. Figure 36 shows that analyzing weight as three separate RVs allows the CoS level of Pareto optimal design solutions to increase significantly. For example, the highest CoS level for a Pareto optimal design solution considering the three sources of uncertainty mentioned in Section 6.2.2.2 is 0.8216, while the highest CoS level for a DP considering the four sources of uncertainty mentioned in this section is 0.9621, an increase of 0.1405. This increase in CoS can be attributed to two factors: weight is now characterized by three RVs that all have lower coefficients of variation than the original 10% estimate for total lightship weight (Wls), and it is much more unlikely that all three RVs will simultaneously behave adversely and eliminate as many designs as the Wls RV did. The result is an overall increase in CoS for the DPs calculated during the optimization process. It should also be noted that the best designs for each objective from this optimization process have been presented in Table 38, with the components of the Utopian solution, [689.5, 0.7963, 0.9621], presented in bold font.

Table 38 – Best Single Objective DPs considering 4 Uncertain RVs

Solution	CTOC(\$M)	OMOE	CoS
Lowest CTOC DP	689.5	0.2362	0.1719
Highest OMOE DP	1326.5	0.7963	0.3518
Highest CoS DP	1060.7	0.3703	0.9621

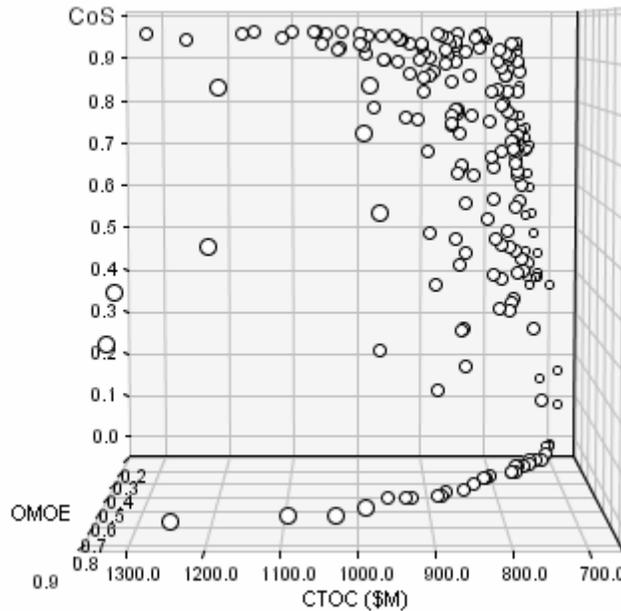


Figure 36 - 3-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Optimal DPs considering 4 Uncertain RVs

The changes in CoS and “fitness” for the eight final DPs can be seen in Table 39. This table provides more evidence that analyzing weight as three separate RVs allows the CoS level of Pareto optimal design solutions to increase significantly, resulting in a corresponding increase in “fitness.” The largest change in CoS was for the “Knee” 14 DP, which had a 20.99% increase in CoS leading to a corresponding increase in “fitness” from 0.4933 to 0.6377. This change in CoS is especially important because this DP now has a higher “fitness” level than the universal “Best” DP, showing that the “best” DP is not only dependant on what uncertainties are considered in the analysis, but how these uncertainties are modeled as well.

Table 39 – Final DPs considering 4 Uncertain RVs

Design Solution	Old CoS	New CoS	Old Fitness	New Fitness
Lowest CTOC DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.6206	0.7310	0.2114	0.2490
Highest OMOE DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.7358	0.8682	0.4685	0.5528
Highest CoS DP (Sect. 5.4)	0.8594	0.9674	0.2244	0.2526
DDG 51 DP (Sect. 4.2.2)	0.4276	0.6012	0.2257	0.3173
Universal “Best” DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.7952	0.8952	0.5659	0.6371
“Knee” 14 DP (Sect. 5.3)	0.7170	0.9269	0.4933	0.6377
“Knee” 6 DP (Sect. 5.1.2)	0.6957	0.8744	0.4647	0.5841
“Knee” 5 DP (Section 5.1.2)	0.7278	0.8212	0.4505	0.5083

6.4 Model Execution with Four Uncertain Random Variables Revisited

The previous section examined the effects of analyzing R_T , $W16$, $W235$, and $W47$ as uncertain random variables in the optimization of the ship synthesis model. However, as mentioned in Section 3.3.4, there are other critical sources of uncertainty that have yet to be analyzed. This section briefly discusses the effects of considering different combinations of four uncertain RVs in the optimization of the ship synthesis model.

6.4.1 Considering R_T , $W1s$, KG , and $KWmflm$

MOGO considering four different sources of uncertainty via a CoS calculation was performed using the updated multi-disciplinary SC ship synthesis model of Chapter 3. The model execution setup is still identical to that of Section 6.2.2, only there are four different sources of uncertainty, which are listed below in Table 40 along with their δ values and descriptions. The origin of these standard deviations can be found in Section 3.3.2, 3.3.3, and 3.3.4.

Table 40 - Uncertainties Analyzed in New 4 Uncertain RVs Analysis

Random Variable	δ Value	Description
R_T	7.98%	RV for bare hull resistance
$W1s$	10.00%	RV for lightship weight
KG	3.65%	RV for KG value
$KWmflm$	13.20%	RV for maximum functional load with margins

The GA terminated after 61.21 hours or 185 generations due to lack of improvement. The result of the optimization process considering these four sources of uncertainty was the three-dimensional NDF made up of 187 Pareto optimal design solutions, which are graphically presented as a three-dimensional scatter plot in Figure 37. There are no real obvious differences between the shape of this Pareto front and the fronts displayed in Section 5.1.2 and Section 6.2.2.2; therefore, the changes in CoS and “fitness” were again calculated for the eight final DPs to analyze the effects of the four different sources of uncertainty. These results are displayed in Table 41. This table provides evidence that analyzing this set of RVs results in a varying decrease in CoS levels of Pareto optimal design solutions, resulting in a corresponding decrease in “fitness.” The largest change in CoS was for the “Knee” 5 DP, which had a 12.12% decrease in CoS leading to a corresponding decrease in “fitness” from 0.4505 to 0.3755. In contrast, the “Knee” 14 DP only had a 0.70% decrease in CoS, resulting in a very small reduction in “fitness.” These varying degrees of reduction in CoS are a result of which constraint LSFs are active. If the minimum or maximum GM/B ratio constraint (C_{gmbmin} and C_{gmbmax} – See Table 4) or generator electric power constraint (KW_g – See Table 4) is active, adding KG and $KWmflm$ as RVs will have more of an effect on the CoS calculation, i.e. more designs will be eliminated. However, if these constraints are not active, the effects of adding KG and $KWmflm$ as RVs will be minimal. It is interesting to note that these new sources of uncertainty have adversely affected the DDG51 DP in such a way that it now has the lowest “fitness” level among the final DPs.

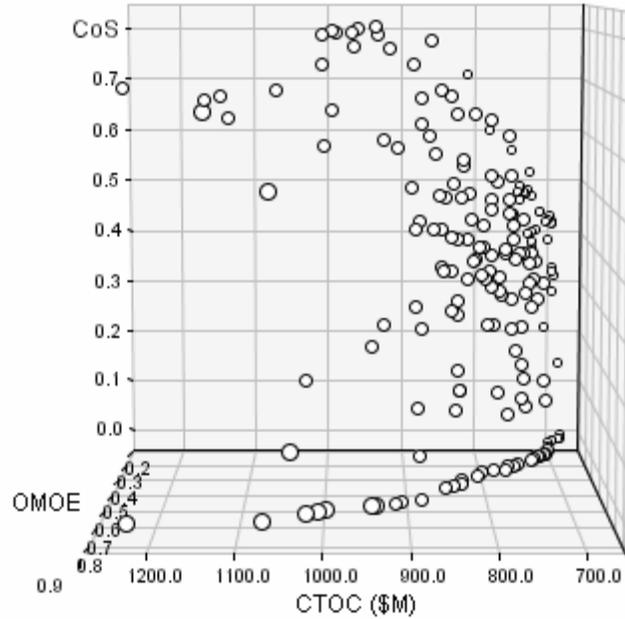


Figure 37 - 3-D Scatter Plot of Pareto Optimal DPs considering 4 different RVs

Table 41 – Final DPs considering 4 Different Uncertain RVs

Design Solution	Old CoS	New CoS	Old Fitness	New Fitness
Lowest CTOC DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.6206	0.5919	0.2114	0.2016
Highest OMOE DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.7358	0.7175	0.4685	0.4568
Highest CoS DP (Sect. 5.4)	0.8594	0.8506	0.2244	0.2221
DDG 51 DP (Sect. 4.2.2)	0.4276	0.3362	0.2257	0.1775
Universal “Best” DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.7952	0.7359	0.5659	0.5237
“Knee” 14 DP (Sect. 5.3)	0.7170	0.7100	0.4933	0.4885
“Knee” 6 DP (Sect. 5.1.2)	0.6957	0.6833	0.4647	0.4564
“Knee” 5 DP (Sect. 5.1.2)	0.7278	0.6066	0.4505	0.3755

6.4.2 Considering R_T , Wls , Atr , and E

MOGO considering a new set of four RVs was performed using the updated multi-disciplinary SC ship synthesis model of Chapter 3. The model execution setup is still identical to that of Section 6.2.2.2, only there are again four different sources of uncertainty, which are listed below in Table 42 along with their δ values and descriptions. Bare hull resistance (R_T) and lightship weight (Wls) remain as sources of uncertainty because they are the two most significant sources of uncertainty in the ship synthesis analyses.

Table 42 - Uncertainties Analyzed in New 4 Uncertain RVs Analysis

Random Variable	δ Value	Description
R_T	7.98%	RV for bare hull resistance
Wls	10.00%	RV for lightship weight
Atr	10.00%	RV for total required area
E	10.00%	RV for endurance range

The GA terminated after 73.15 hours or 203 generations due to lack of improvement. The result of the optimization process considering these four new sources of uncertainty was the three-dimensional NDF made up of 252 Pareto optimal design solutions, which are graphically presented as a three-dimensional scatter plot in Figure 38. This Pareto front is again similar to the fronts of Section 5.1.2, 6.2.2.2, and 6.4.1, and therefore the changes in CoS and “fitness” were calculated for the eight final DPs in order to analyze the effects of this set of four RVs (See Table 43). This table shows that analyzing this set of RVs results in a significant decrease in the CoS levels of most of the Pareto optimal design solutions. No DP had a CoS decrease of less than 5.54%, and the “Knee” 6 DP had a dramatic 15.60% decrease in CoS, leading to a corresponding decrease in “fitness” from 0.4647 to 0.3605. This means that the two new RVs (Atr and E) are associated with active constraints for these DPs: Atr (total required area) is associated with the total available area constraint (A_{ta} – See Table 4), while E (endurance range) is associated with the endurance range constraint (E – See Table 4).

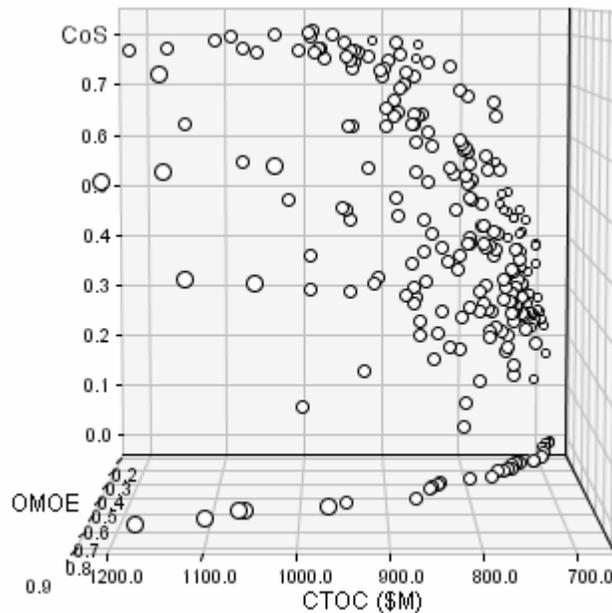


Figure 38 - 3-D Plot of Pareto Optimal DPs considering 4 different RVs Revisited

Table 43 – Final DPs considering 4 Different Uncertain RVs Revisited

Design Solution	Old CoS	New CoS	Old Fitness	New Fitness
Lowest CTOC DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.6206	0.4734	0.2114	0.1613
Highest OMOE DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.7358	0.6327	0.4685	0.4029
Highest CoS DP (Sect. 5.4)	0.8594	0.8040	0.2244	0.2099
DDG 51 DP (Sect. 4.2.2)	0.4276	0.3357	0.2257	0.1772
Universal “Best” DP (Sect. 5.2)	0.7952	0.6923	0.5659	0.4927
“Knee” 14 DP (Sect. 5.3)	0.7170	0.5677	0.4933	0.3906
“Knee” 6 DP (Sect. 5.1.2)	0.6957	0.5397	0.4647	0.3605
“Knee” 5 DP (Sect. 5.1.2)	0.7278	0.6257	0.4505	0.3873

6.5 Overall Observations

There are many critical sources of uncertainty embedded within the ship synthesis model, and all of these uncertainties need to be realistically quantified and represented in the model in order to investigate the true overall design uncertainty. In this work, only a handful of parameters that directly affect the CTOC and OMOE objectives and nine design constraints were identified as sources of uncertainty in an effort to approximate the overall design uncertainty. This Chapter focused on analyzing more than two of these uncertainties at a time, and it was shown that a maximum of four sources of uncertainty could be handled by the current CoS calculation. If more than four sources of uncertainty need to be analyzed at once, a significant upgrade in computing power and computer memory is required. This makes the selection of uncertainties in the optimization process critical to the results. The “best” DPs are a direct reflection of which uncertainties are considered in the analysis, as well as how these uncertainties are modeled. For example, the results of this Chapter show Pareto fronts that are dependant on the selection and modeling of uncertainties. Also, some of the attractive designs from Chapter 5 are no longer attractive in Chapter 6 because new uncertainties have revealed other active constraints that endanger the DPs of not satisfying constraints and/or not meeting performance objectives. Therefore, only designs that exhibit high “fitness” levels for any combination of uncertainty analyses should be considered as potential baseline designs. Other designs are not reliable enough to satisfy all constraints and meet performance objectives concurrently.

7 Refining Individual Designs

As mentioned earlier, once the Pareto front has been well defined, a particular design can be selected and refined using a gradient based optimization algorithm. The normal procedure for doing this is to minimize or maximize one of the objective functions, while holding the others fixed. In this work, however, designs will be refined by maximizing the overall design “fitness,” which is a combination of all three objectives as shown in Equation (19). A DOT (Design Optimization Tools) gradient based optimization algorithm that uses the Method of Feasible Directions (MOFD) will be used for this purpose. The DOT Optimization Tool is described in detail in Section 7.1, the DOT optimization problem formulation is described in Section 7.2, and DOT results are presented in Section 7.3.

7.1 DOT Optimization Tool

The DOT Optimization Tool is developed by Vanderplaats Research & Development, Inc. and is provided as a plug-in for MC. DOT can be used to solve a wide variety of both linear and nonlinear optimization problems by systematically modifying user specified DVs in a model until some objective is met. The DOT optimization problem is set up by specifying a single objective function, a set of constraints, and a set of DVs. This can be easily done using the DOT GUI, which is displayed in Figure 39. It should be noted that the DOT Optimization Tool requires continuous DVs, and hence discrete DVs are kept constant during the gradient based optimization process.

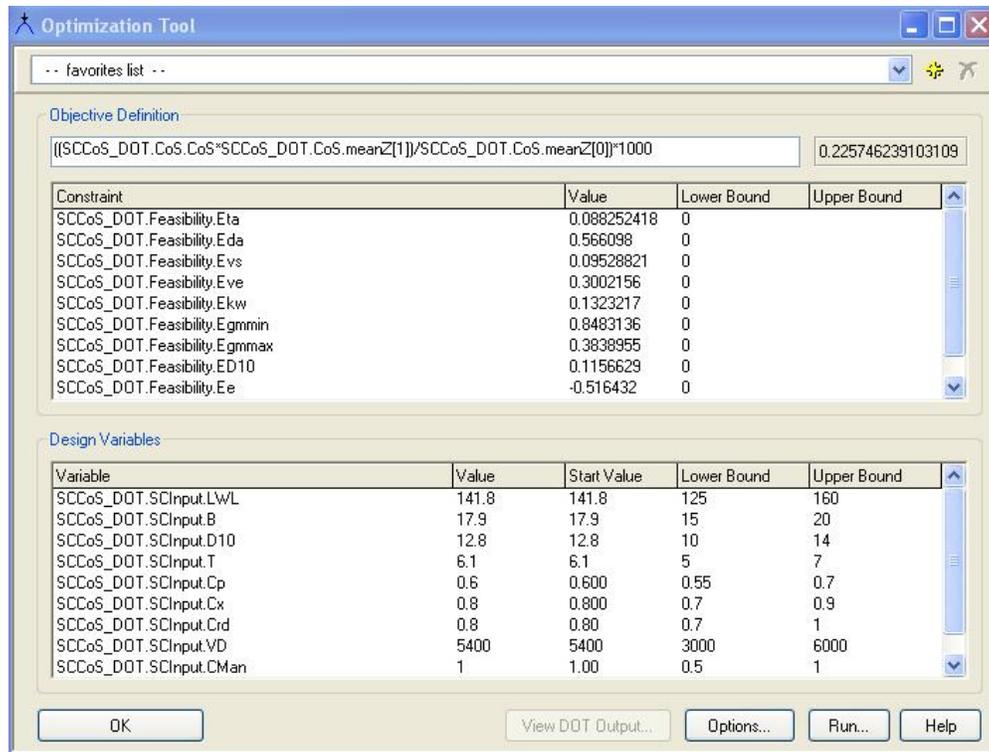


Figure 39 - DOT GUI

The DOT Optimization Tool supports a variety of different optimization methods and settings. The optimization methods offered include:

- 1) Variable Metric Method
- 2) Conjugate Gradient Method
- 3) Method of Feasible Directions
- 4) Sequential Linear Programming
- 5) Sequential Quadratic Programming

The first two of these optimization methods are applicable when no constraints are specified, while the last three optimization methods are applicable when constraints are specified. The Method of Feasible Directions (MOFD) optimization technique is used in this work. The basic approach of MOFD is to solve the optimization problem in two distinct steps. The first step is to determine a “search direction” which defines how the DVs will be changed. The key idea is that all DVs are changed simultaneously in such a fashion that will improve the design. The second step is to determine how far to move in the “search direction.” After moving this distance in the “search direction,” the process is repeated until it converges to the optimum (Vanderplaats, 1995). In general, the optimizer will run the model several times to calculate gradients and then compute the step direction. Each step represents one iteration or optimization run. Optimization convergence is controlled by several parameters, including maximum iterations, absolute convergence criteria, and relative convergence criteria. For more information concerning the DOT Optimization Tool, please visit <http://www.phoenix-int.com/> or <http://www.vrand.com/DOT.html>.

7.2 DOT Optimization Problem Formulation

Gradient based optimization was performed on the eight final DPs selected for further evaluation (See Table 28) using the DOT Optimization Tool in an effort to refine the DPs and increase objective values. In this work, designs are refined by maximizing the overall design “fitness,” which is a combination of all three objectives as shown in Equation (19). The optimization problem is now formulated as:

Objective:

- maximize Fitness(\mathbf{x})

Constraints:

- $Ata(\mathbf{x}) \geq Atamin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Ada(\mathbf{x}) \geq Adamin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Vs(\mathbf{x}) \geq 28$ knots
- $Pbpend(\mathbf{x}) \geq Pbpengendmin(\mathbf{x})$
- $KWg(\mathbf{x}) \geq KWgmin(\mathbf{x})$
- $Cgmbmin(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0.05$
- $Cgmbmax(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0.15$
- $D10(\mathbf{x}) \geq D10min(\mathbf{x})$
- $E(\mathbf{x}) \geq 3500$ nm

Design Variables:

- $125.0 \text{ m} \leq \text{LWL} \leq 160.0 \text{ m}$
- $15.0 \text{ m} \leq \text{B} \leq 20.0 \text{ m}$
- $10.0 \text{ m} \leq \text{D10} \leq 14.0 \text{ m}$
- $5.0 \text{ m} \leq \text{T} \leq 7.0 \text{ m}$
- $0.550 \leq \text{Cp} \leq 0.700$
- $0.700 \leq \text{Cx} \leq 0.900$
- $0.70 \leq \text{Crd} \leq 1.00$
- $3000 \text{ m}^3 \leq \text{VD} \leq 6000 \text{ m}^3$
- $0.50 \leq \text{CMan} \leq 1.00$

where \mathbf{x} is the specific DP consisting of 47 design parameters, including D10 itself. An individual gradient based optimization run was performed for each of the DPs from Table 28, and each DP was used as the initial design in its respective optimization run. It should be noted that an extra constraint was applied to the objective extreme DPs (lowest CTOC DP, highest OMOE DP, and highest CoS DP) in order to ensure that the objective extremes did not worsen. It should also be noted that only the two original sources of uncertainty, bare hull resistance and lightship weight, were considered in the DOT gradient based optimization runs.

7.3 DOT Results

An individual DOT gradient based optimization run was performed for each of the final DPs selected for further evaluation. Each optimization process terminated after a few iterations and only took a few minutes to complete. Results can be seen visually via the graph of Figure 40, and data is presented in Table 45. Figure 40 shows that even though the optimizer took a few steps in the “wrong” direction, it eventually converged to a more optimal design solution for six of the eight DPs. The lowest CTOC DP and universal “best” DP could not be improved upon using the DOT Optimization Tool.

Improvements in overall “fitness” levels ranged from + 0.0039 to + 0.2486, with the largest increase in “fitness” corresponding to the DDG 51 DP. Modifying the continuous DVs of the DDG 51 DP resulted in a staggering \$193.2 million decrease in CTOC, as well as a significant 34.19% increase in CoS (See Table 45). OMOE also increased slightly for the DDG 51 DP, meaning that the gradient based optimization of the DDG 51 DP “fitness” value resulted in improving all three objective values concurrently. At this point, three separate DDG 51 DPs have been mentioned in this paper: the exact DDG 51 DP based off of real world values (Appendix B), the rounded DDG 51 DP found in the original optimization run of Section 4.2.2 (Appendix I), and the refined DDG 51 DP after gradient based optimization, which is presented with its model parameters in Appendix K. The objective values and “fitness” levels of these three DDG 51 DPs are presented and compared in Table 44. This table shows that gradient based optimization provides significant improvement from the original DDG 51 DPs by simply refining a few continuous DVs. Discrete DVs including war fighting area DVs are kept constant in DOT gradient based optimization.

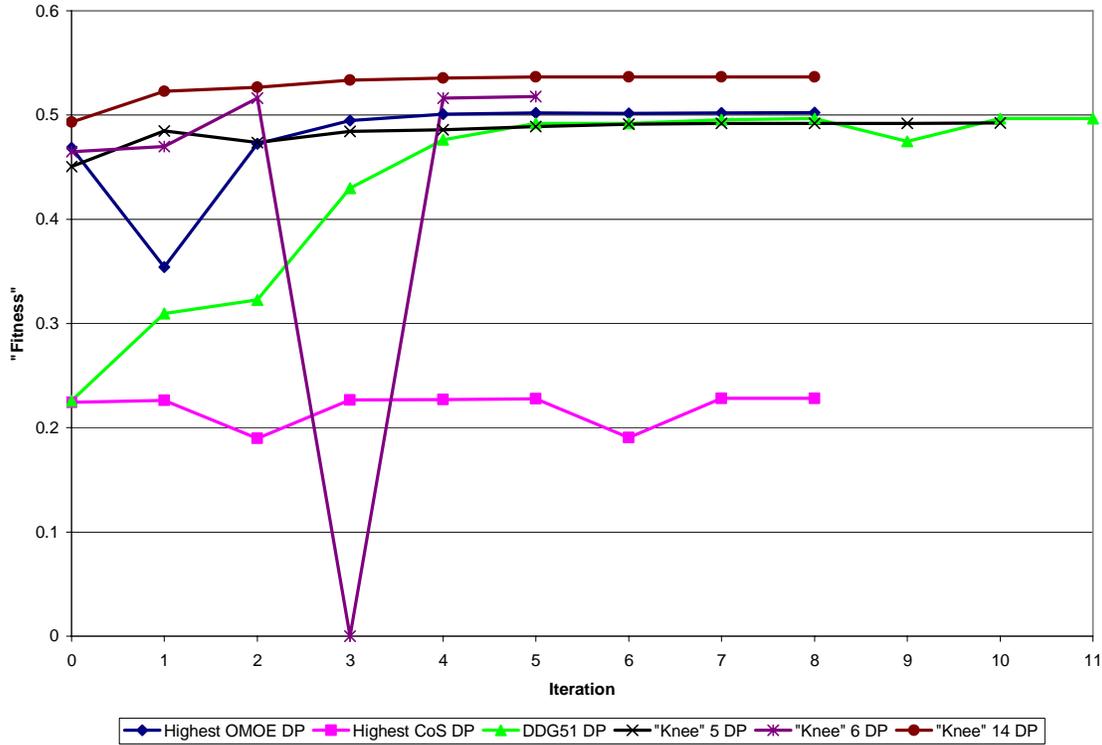


Figure 40 - Plot of DOT Results for Final DPs

In terms of the other DPs, all of them (except the lowest CTOC DP and universal “best” DP, which could not be improved) experienced increases in “fitness” levels and most of their individual objective values as well. The only objective values that experienced a decrease in performance were the CTOC values of the “Knee” 6 DP and “Knee” 5 DP as well as the OMOE value of the “Knee” 14 DP. However, all of these DPs still showed improvements in overall “fitness” and are considered more attractive DPs. This means that concept exploration should not end with the selection of a baseline design from the NDF from MOGO. Instead, attractive designs from the NDF should be selected and refined using a gradient based optimization technique. The DOT Optimization Tool offers improvements in the objective values of Pareto optimal design solutions at little added computational cost. It should be noted that the eight final designs selected for further evaluation and their corresponding model parameters after DOT optimization have been presented in Appendix K. These model parameters have been rounded to be consistent with the original step sizes presented in Table 13.

Table 44 - Comparison of DDG 51 DPs

Design Solution	CTOC (\$M)	OMOEE	CoS	Fitness
Exact DDG 51 DP	1461.5	0.7747	0.5389	0.2857
DDG 51 DP (Section 4.2.2)	1455.8	0.7685	0.4276	0.2257
DDG 51 DP (Section 7.3)	1262.6	0.7783	0.7695	0.4743

Table 45 - DOT Improvements for Final DPs

Solution/Objective	Old Value	New Value	Change (+/-)
Highest OMOE DP (Section 5.2)			
<i>CTOC (\$M)</i>	1210.1	1200.1	- \$10.0 M
<i>OMOE</i>	0.7705	0.7715	+ 0.0010
<i>CoS</i>	0.7358	0.7777	+ 0.0419
<i>“Fitness”</i>	0.4685	0.5000	+ 0.0315
Highest CoS DP (Section 5.4)			
<i>CTOC (\$M)</i>	1089.4	1082.5	- \$6.9 M
<i>OMOE</i>	0.2845	0.2873	+ 0.0028
<i>CoS</i>	0.8594	0.8603	+ 0.0009
<i>“Fitness”</i>	0.2244	0.2283	+ 0.0039
DDG 51 DP (Section 4.2.2)			
<i>CTOC (\$M)</i>	1455.8	1262.6	- \$193.2 M
<i>OMOE</i>	0.7685	0.7783	+ 0.0098
<i>CoS</i>	0.4276	0.7695	+ 0.3419
<i>“Fitness”</i>	0.2257	0.4743	+ 0.2486
“Knee” 14 DP (Section 5.3)			
<i>CTOC (\$M)</i>	970.7	966.6	- \$4.1 M
<i>OMOE</i>	0.6678	0.6657	- 0.0021
<i>CoS</i>	0.7170	0.7794	+ 0.0624
<i>“Fitness”</i>	0.4933	0.5368	+ 0.0435
“Knee” 6 DP (Section 5.1.2)			
<i>CTOC (\$M)</i>	933.5	942.9	+ \$9.4 M
<i>OMOE</i>	0.6236	0.6236	---
<i>CoS</i>	0.6957	0.7843	+ 0.0886
<i>“Fitness”</i>	0.4647	0.5187	+ 0.0540
“Knee” 5 DP (Section 5.1.2)			
<i>CTOC (\$M)</i>	894.1	905.8	+ \$11.7 M
<i>OMOE</i>	0.5534	0.5695	+ 0.0161
<i>CoS</i>	0.7278	0.7773	+ 0.0495
<i>“Fitness”</i>	0.4505	0.4887	+ 0.0382

8 Non-Intrusive Polynomial Chaos (NIPC) Method

The usage of the MV-based CoS calculation suggested in this work calls for close to linear responses locally within the design space and/or concentration of responses around the mean performance value. While the current multi-disciplinary SC ship synthesis model has close to linear responses, there are other highly nonlinear engineering models in need of another method of handling uncertainty propagation. An inexpensive non-intrusive polynomial chaos (NIPC) method for the propagation of input uncertainty in CFD simulations has recently been developed at VT AOE by Hosder, Walters, and Perez (2006). This NIPC method is straightforward to implement and computationally less expensive than sampling or quadrature based non-intrusive methods. The method has been validated through implementation in three basic fluid dynamics problems. In all three test cases, the statistics obtained using the NIPC method were in good agreement with MCS calculated statistics. A fourth order polynomial chaos (PC) expansion was sufficient to approximate the mean, standard deviation, and shape of the output uncertainty distributions with desired accuracy (Hosder et al., 2006). For these reasons, the NIPC method and its application to nonlinear ship synthesis models are briefly discussed in this Chapter.

The PC method for uncertainty propagation in CFD simulations and other computational modeling involves the substitution of uncertain variables and parameters in the governing equations with the polynomial expansions. In general, an intrusive PC method will compute the unknown polynomial coefficients by projecting the resulting equations onto basis functions (orthogonal polynomials) for different modes, which requires the modification of the deterministic code. A more convenient approach is the NIPC method for the propagation of input uncertainty discussed here (Hosder et al., 2006).

In the spectral representation of uncertainty, one may decompose a random function or RV into separable deterministic and stochastic components. For example, any stochastic variable or response (i.e. α^*) such as velocity or cost with random fluctuations can be written as:

$$\alpha^*(x, y, \vec{\xi}) = \sum_{i=0}^P \alpha_i(x, y) \Psi_i(\vec{\xi}) \quad (25)$$

where $\alpha_i(x, y)$ is the deterministic component and $\Psi_i(\vec{\xi})$ is the random basis function corresponding to the i^{th} mode. The parameter α^* is assumed to be a function of deterministic independent variables x and y , and $\vec{\xi} = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$ is an n -dimensional RV vector with a specific probability distribution. The discrete sum is taken over the number of output modes:

$$P + 1 = \frac{(n + p)!}{n! p!} \quad (26)$$

where p is the order of polynomial chaos (we will assume 4) and n is the number of random dimensions (also assumed to be 4). For the basis function, multi-dimensional Hermite polynomials are used to span the n -dimensional random space:

$$H_k(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_k) = e^{\frac{1}{2} \vec{\xi}^T \vec{\xi}} (-1)^k \frac{\delta^k}{\delta \xi_1 \dots \delta \xi_k} \left(e^{-\frac{1}{2} \vec{\xi}^T \vec{\xi}} \right) \quad (27)$$

where $k = 0, 1, \dots, p$. As mentioned earlier, to model uncertainty propagation in computational simulations via the intrusive PC approach, all dependant variables and random parameters in the governing equations must be replaced with their PC expansions, which can be difficult, expensive, and time consuming to implement. Therefore, an inexpensive NIPC method has been developed for uncertainty propagation within complex engineering systems (Hosder et al., 2006).

The present NIPC method begins by replacing the uncertain variables of interest with their polynomial expansions given by Equation (25). Next, for a given PC of order P , $P + 1$ vectors $\xi = \{\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n\}_i$, ($i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, P$) in random space are chosen and the deterministic code is evaluated at these points. With the left hand side of Equation (25) known from the solutions of the deterministic evaluations at the selected random points, a linear system of equations is obtained:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Psi_0(\bar{\xi}_0) & \Psi_1(\bar{\xi}_0) & \dots & \Psi_p(\bar{\xi}_0) \\ \Psi_0(\bar{\xi}_1) & \Psi_1(\bar{\xi}_1) & \dots & \Psi_p(\bar{\xi}_1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \Psi_0(\bar{\xi}_p) & \Psi_1(\bar{\xi}_p) & \dots & \Psi_p(\bar{\xi}_p) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_0 \\ \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha^*(\bar{\xi}_0) \\ \alpha^*(\bar{\xi}_1) \\ \vdots \\ \alpha^*(\bar{\xi}_p) \end{pmatrix} \quad (28)$$

The spectral modes (α_k) of the RV, α^* , are then obtained by simply solving this linear system of equations. This method is considered “non-intrusive” because no modification to the deterministic code is needed, i.e. the deterministic code is treated like a “black box.” The NIPC method is straightforward to implement, requires one LU decomposition, and requires a minimum of $P+1$ deterministic evaluations to estimate statistics (Hosder et al., 2006).

Consider the case of the multi-disciplinary ship synthesis model presented in this work. If four sources of uncertainty ($n = 4$) are analyzed and a fourth order PC expansion is required for accuracy, the number of output modes according to Equation (26) would be 70. This means that 70 deterministic model evaluations would be required to model the response functions of the ship synthesis model. Using the current suggested MV-based CoS calculation, only five deterministic model evaluations would be required to estimate the response functions in the presence of four uncertain RVs. Therefore, for a model with close to linear responses locally within the design space, a MV-based CoS calculation is the much more efficient choice. However, as non-linearities arise in the model, the MV-based CoS calculation becomes less accurate and not applicable, making the NIPC method a possible uncertainty propagation tool for nonlinear engineering systems because of its computational cost savings compared to other methods such as the intrusive PC method or MCS. For more information on the NIPC method, please consult “A Non-Intrusive Polynomial Chaos Method for Uncertainty Propagation in CFD Simulations” (Hosder et al., 2006).

9 Conclusions

Multi-disciplinary ship synthesis models and multi-objective genetic algorithms are increasingly being used in naval ship design, allowing a total system approach for the naval ship design process. Complex system design problems such as these often have high levels of uncertainty associated with them, and there is an increasing demand for a decision making tool that accounts for the effects of uncertainties in the design process to produce results that are both effective and reliable. In this work, uncertainty is treated as a third objective in addition to the effectiveness and cost objectives already present in a multi-disciplinary surface combatant ship synthesis model by using a calculation termed “confidence of success” (CoS) based on the mean value method. CoS is the probability that a specific design will satisfy all constraints and meet performance objectives.

This work proves that the CoS concept can be applied to complex system models with well behaved responses to estimate system uncertainty early in the design process. Multiple sources of uncertainty were realistically quantified based on statistical background and represented in a multi-disciplinary surface combatant ship synthesis model developed at VT AOE in order to investigate their relative importance to overall design uncertainty or risk. Combinations of up to four of these sources of uncertainty were successfully implemented in the multi-objective genetic optimization of the ship synthesis model via a mean value method based CoS calculation. Methods to encourage a more uniform distribution of points across the front were also investigated through the discretization of continuous design variables, the modification of optimization parameters, piecewise optimization, and the application of a penalty function. With a well defined front, particular designs were selected and refined using a gradient based optimization algorithm to maximize the overall fitness of each design.

The usage of the suggested CoS calculation calls for close to linear responses locally within the design space and/or concentration of responses around the mean performance value. Therefore, before the initial model execution, an examination of the model response was performed in Chapter 4 for a few deterministically feasible design points via short sample MCS calculations of 100,000 system evaluations each. The relatively well-behaved response surfaces of the CTOC objective and the constraints indicated that the first order Taylor series expansion of the mean value method was sufficient to approximate the response functions accurately in local regions of any design point. Multi-objective genetic optimization considering two sources of uncertainty via a CoS calculation was performed using the updated multi-disciplinary surface combatant ship synthesis model, resulting in a three-dimensional non-dominated frontier made up of 225 Pareto optimal design solutions. However, in this initial optimization effort, the design points did not spread out well over the Pareto front.

Methods to encourage a more uniform distribution of design points across the Pareto front were investigated in Chapter 5. It was found that once the optimization problem is formulated correctly, continuous DVs should be discretized in order to reduce the number of possible designs the optimizer has to search. Optimization parameters should then be adjusted to suit the optimization problem at hand. It was also found that a penalty function or piecewise optimization scheme can be used to significantly enhance these results if the designer is willing to pay more in terms of computational cost. With a well defined Pareto front, attractive designs can be selected from the front for more uncertainty analysis and gradient based optimization.

In this work, a handful of parameters that directly affect the objectives and constraints were identified as sources of uncertainty in an effort to approximate the overall design uncertainty. Chapter 6 focused on analyzing combinations of more than two of these uncertainties at a time, and it was shown that a maximum of four sources of uncertainty could be handled by the current CoS calculation. A significant upgrade in computing power and memory would be required to handle more than four sources of uncertainty, making the selection of uncertainties in the current analysis critical to the results. The Pareto front is currently a direct reflection of which uncertainties are considered in the analysis, as well as how these uncertainties are modeled.

Attractive designs from a few different Pareto fronts were selected for gradient based optimization in Chapter 7 using the DOT Optimization Tool to refine design points and increase objective values. It was shown that the DOT optimizer converged to a more optimal design solution for six of the eight design points by simply refining a few continuous design variables. The most significant improvement was for the DDG 51 DP, which had the largest increase in overall “fitness” as all as increases in all three of its individual objective values concurrently. These results indicate that concept exploration should not end with the selection of a baseline design from the non-dominated frontier produced during genetic optimization. Instead, attractive designs from the Pareto front should be selected and refined using a gradient based optimization technique, such as DOT, which offers improvements in the objective values of design solutions at little added computational cost. After the gradient based optimization performed in this work, the three most attractive designs appear to be the universal “best” DP, the “Knee” 14 DP, and the refined DDG 51 DP. The first two of these design solutions exhibit the highest “fitness” levels compared to the other attractive design solutions, and the refined DDG 51 DP offers improvements in all three objectives concurrently over the exact DDG 51 DP presented in Appendix B. Objective values of these potential baseline designs are presented in Table 46 and compared to the exact DDG 51 DP values. These new designs and their corresponding model parameters after DOT optimization have been presented in Appendix K.

Table 46 - Potential Baseline Designs

Design Solution	CTOC (\$M)	OMOE	CoS	Fitness
Universal “Best” DP (Appendix K)	1029.8	0.7329	0.7952	0.5659
“Knee” 14 DP (Appendix K)	966.6	0.6657	0.7794	0.5368
Refined DDG 51 DP (Appendix K)	1262.6	0.7783	0.7695	0.4743
Exact DDG 51 DP (Appendix B)	1461.5	0.7747	0.5389	0.2857

In conclusion, including CoS as an objective in the optimization process of a complex engineering model allows decision makers to make more informed design decisions. Designers are now able to select concept designs that are not only efficient and effective, but also reliable and robust as well. CoS provides assurance that the selected baseline design will perform as predicted by only adding a few system evaluations. The mean value method based CoS calculation is quite efficient at predicting system uncertainty in models with up to four random variables. In such a model, CoS can be calculated with only five system evaluations, and it approximates a MCS of a hundred thousand system evaluations.

10 Future Work

This work proved that a CoS concept can be applied to complex system models with well behaved responses and up to four sources of uncertainty. Methods to encourage a more uniform distribution of points across the Pareto front were also investigated, and gradient based optimization was performed as well. However, there is still potential future work for the problem of uncertainty propagation in engineering systems.

Most future work lies in the area of uncertainty propagation in highly nonlinear engineering systems. For a model with close to linear responses locally within the design space, a CoS calculation based on a first order Taylor series expansion is very efficient. However, as non-linearities arise in the model, a CoS calculation becomes less accurate and not applicable. Furthermore, a CoS calculation will not reveal that there may be a problem with the approximation of a system response. One potential solution is an extra system evaluation evaluated at the most probable point (MPP) that could identify approximation problems and improve the limit state function (LSF) approximations of all criteria (Klasen, 2005). Another possible uncertainty propagation tool for nonlinear engineering systems is the NIPC method mentioned in this work. The NIPC method requires even more system evaluations, but still offers significant computational cost savings compared to other nonlinear methods such as the intrusive PC method or MCS.

Other work lies in the area of increasing the number of uncertainties analyzed in the optimization process. In this work, only a handful of parameters that directly affect the objectives and constraints were identified as sources of uncertainty. It might be interesting to examine the effects of applying uncertainties to the data called by discrete design variables as well. The CoS calculation is quite efficient at predicting system uncertainty for models with up to four random variables, but it has been shown that computational cost increases significantly as more uncertain random variables are added to the model. More computer memory and computing power will be required for these calculations. Also, the effect of more than four random variables on criteria responses has yet to be explored.

There are other areas of work as well. Since the Taylor series expansion of the mean value method can also be used for sensitivity measures, additional objectives such as criteria variance could be incorporated into the optimization process (Klasen, 2005). A complete sensitivity analysis could also be performed in order to identify the critical design variables in the optimization process. Design variables that have little impact on the results could potentially be removed to significantly reduce the design space. As mentioned earlier, it would also be beneficial if a penalty function were built into the Darwin Optimization plug-in itself. The required inputs for the penalty function could be added to the Darwin Optimization plug-in GUI, and incorporation of the penalty function into the actual genetic algorithm would offer decreased computational time over using a separate penalty function module, as is done in this work. Finally, multi-objective genetic optimization considering uncertainty via a CoS calculation could be performed in conjunction with the ASSET design tool to calculate uncertainty propagation in other modern USN ship design models.

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Appendix A: CoS Calculation

The CoS Calculation description presented here is adapted from Chapter 3 of Klasen's "Confidence of Success in Multi-Criteria Optimization of Multi-Disciplinary Ship Design Models" (2005).

Calculation of CoS in this work is performed utilizing MV, omitting the CDF construction of the AMV and yielding only one specific probability value for each DP. This approach does not evaluate variance or sensitivity explicitly and focuses only on the probability of meeting predictions, i.e. fulfilling requirements and performance expectations.

There is no need to separately evaluate the correlation between any design variables on a local or global basis for the suggested CoS calculation. Correlation is taken into account within the CoS calculation itself for every individual DP, with the exception of nonlinear correlations. However, the usage of the suggested CoS approach calls for close to linear responses locally within the design space, which leads to linear dependence between criteria. This dependence is taken into account by applying the LSFs from any number of criteria to the JPDF of all uncertain variables.

An example calculation of CoS is shown below, with two standard normal distributed random variables, x and y , and two criterion functions.

An approximate response function Z_{MV} is derived via a first order Taylor series expansion linearized at the mean values of the random design variables. This calls for three system evaluations to calculate the coefficient vector \mathbf{A} . In the present application, each system evaluation is one converged ship design.

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{A} \quad (\text{A1})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} z_0 \\ z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & y \\ 1 & x + \Delta x & y \\ 1 & x & y + \Delta y \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

yielding,

$$Z_{MV}(x, y) = a_0 + a_1 \cdot x + a_2 \cdot y$$

Any number of response functions can be approximated in the same manner without any additional system evaluations. All that is required is an evaluation of each response function at each system evaluation (design point).

Figure A1 shows the response surfaces for two arbitrary functions:

$$f_1(x, y) = 5x + 2y + \frac{y^2}{10} \quad \text{and} \quad f_2(x, y) = x + 5y + \sin(3x)$$

and their respective approximated response planes in the vicinity of $(x, y) = (0, 0)$:

$$Z_{MV1}(x, y) = 0 + 5x + 2.01y \quad \text{and} \quad Z_{MV2}(x, y) = 0 + 0.87x + 5y$$

The approximate LSFs are calculated from Equation (4):

$$g(x,y) = Z_{MV}(x,y) - Z_{ls} = 0$$

where $Z_{ls} = (8,7)$ represents the limit state values defining the boundary between the infeasible and feasible regions in the design space.

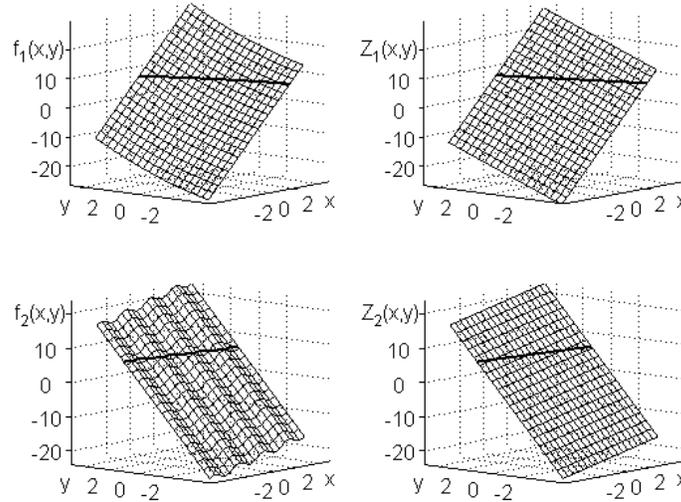


Figure A1 f_1 and f_2 response surfaces are displayed on the left, and their respective approximated response planes Z_{MV1} and Z_{MV2} are displayed on the right. The bold curves/lines highlight the limit states.

In Figure A2 the approximate LSFs, g_1 and g_2 with Z_{ls} equal to 8 and 7 respectively, are plotted in the two-dimensional design space. The shaded region shows the part of the design space where $g > 0$, i.e. Z values are higher than Z_{ls} . If $g > 0$ is infeasible, the shaded region represents failing solutions.

Introducing the JPDF of the two random variables, assumed to be standard normal distributed and independent, and applying the LSFs yields the CoS of meeting predictions, i.e. g less than or equal to 0. Figure A3 shows the JPDF, with the $g > 0$ region (infeasible region) of the function removed. The volume under the remaining region of the JPDF yields a numerical value of CoS for the specific DP (CoS = 87% in this case).

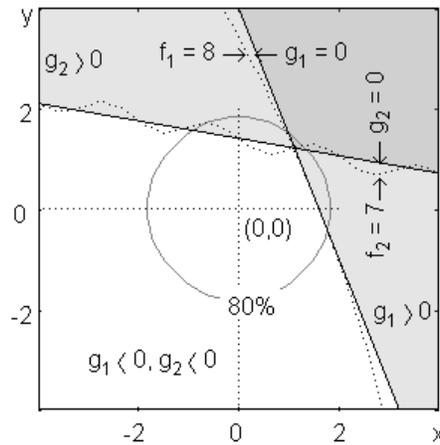


Figure A2 The design space in the vicinity of the DP: $(x, y) = (0, 0)$. Solid lines mark the approximate LSFs, while the dotted curves are the actual functions yielding the limit state values. The circle encloses the region where 80% of the distribution is expected for $(x, y) \in N(0,1)$.

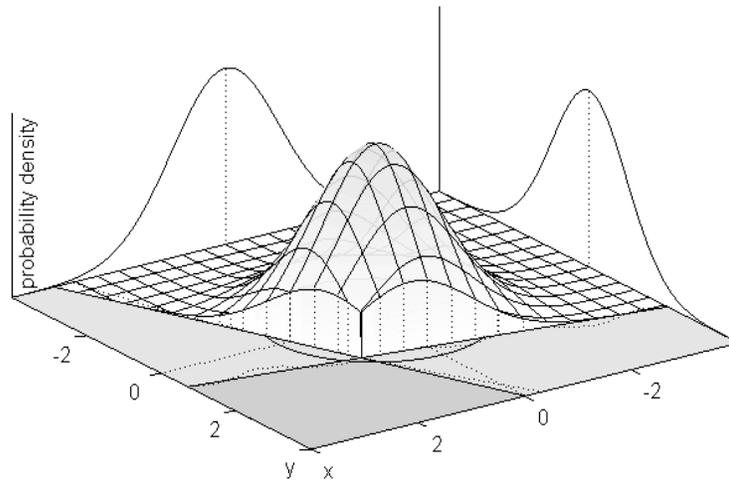


Figure A3 JPDF of the random variables $(x, y) \in N(0,1)$ reduced by the LSFs. Note that the x- and y-axis are reversed from what was shown in Figure A2.

Probability in this example and in the model execution itself is calculated as a summation approximation of the JPDF $f(x,y)$ integral. The variable space is limited to the interval $[-5, 5]$ for both x and y:

$$1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx dy \approx \int_{-5}^5 \int_{-5}^5 f(x, y) dx dy \approx 0.999999$$

The variable space is discretized into a large number of small rectangular subintervals. The probability density of each subinterval is calculated at the center of the rectangle, and probability is calculated as the summation of the discrete values:

$$\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) dx dy = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m f(x_i, y_k) \Delta x \Delta y \text{ when } \Delta x, \Delta y \rightarrow 0$$

where m and n are the number of subintervals in the x and y direction respectively, x_i and y_k are the midpoints of the subintervals i and k respectively, and Δx and Δy are the rectangular subinterval side lengths.

For the CoS calculation, the variable space is discretized into a definite number of subintervals, and the discrete values in the feasible regions, defined by the LSFs, are summed. The variable space is given a finer mesh in the high density region of each marginal function to reduce the error when the LSFs are close to the variable mean values:

$$\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) dx dy \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_i, y_k) \Delta x_i \Delta y_k$$

where n is the number of subintervals, x_i and y_k are the midpoints, and Δx_i and Δy_k are the rectangle side lengths of interval i and k in the x and y direction respectively.

The mesh is generated in a logarithmic fashion in each quadrant of variable space, with 125 intervals in each direction. The finest mesh is located in the corner closest to the mean values. The quadrants are mirrored at the mean values, thus giving a finer mesh in the high density region, as shown in Figure A4.

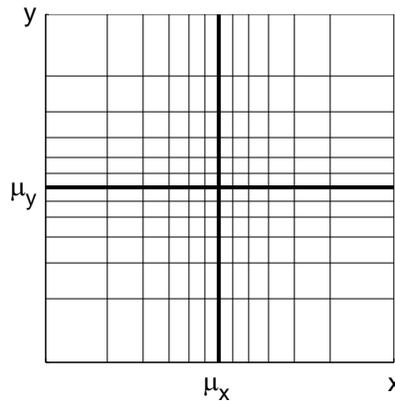


Figure A4 Logarithmically divided variable space.

Obviously there is some correlation between the responses f_1 and f_2 since both functions depend on the x and y variables. A MCS of 100,000 system evaluations is illustrated in Figure A5, showing the marginal PDFs for f_1 and f_2 and their JPDF as a contour plot. The correlation between f_1 and f_2 is evident in the figure.

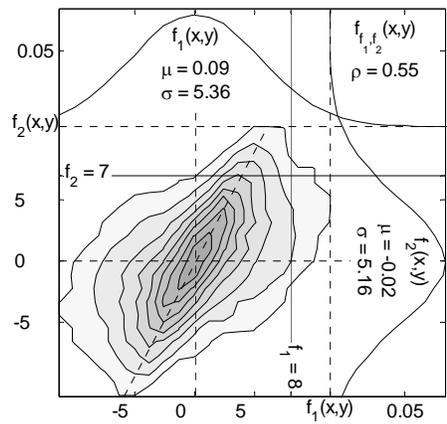


Figure A5 MCS generated system response JPDF.

	MCS	CoS
System evaluations	100k	3
$f_1 \leq 8 \cap f_2 \leq 7$	86%	
$g_1 \cap g_2 \leq 0$		87%
ρ	0.55	0.53
$f_1 \leq 8$	93%	
$g_1 \leq 0$		93%
μ_1	0.09	0
σ_1	5.36	5.39
$f_2 \leq 7$	91%	
$g_2 \leq 0$		92%
μ_2	0.02	0
σ_2	5.16	5.07

Table A1 Comparison of CoS calculation and MCS.

Table A1 shows the data obtained from the MCS compared with the data from the CoS calculation. The CoS column contains data calculated via a first order Taylor series approximation only. Correlation, ρ , is also stated for the CoS calculation. Correlation of

two variables is simply a measurement of the orthogonality of g , i.e. the cosine of the angle between g_1 and g_2 in Figure A2. The mean value, μ , and standard deviation, σ , for each criterion in the CoS column is calculated from the sensitivity based Equations (2) and (3) respectively.

The intended use of CoS does not call for the complete construction of a CDF. However, since the CoS calculation in this work is merely the first step in creating a CDF with MV, a joint CDF (JCDF) can easily be obtained. This JCDF should be a good estimate of the empirical JCDF generated from a MCS, verifying that correlation between the functions f_1 and f_2 is covered within the CoS calculation. Figure A6.1 shows a contour plot of a MCS generated JCDF, and Figure A6.2 shows a MV generated JCDF of the two functions.

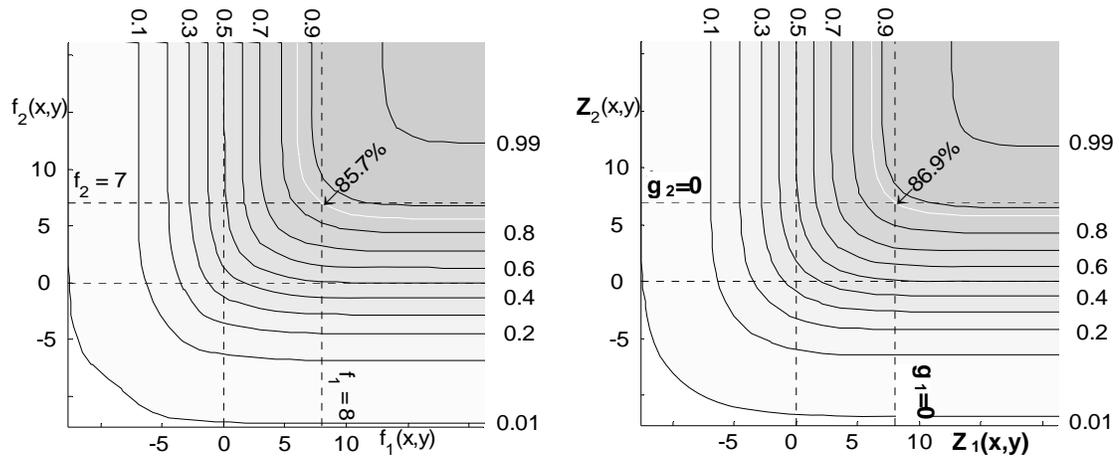


Figure A6.1, left JCDF generated via MCS; 85.7% yield $f_1 \leq 8 \cap f_2 \leq 7$.

Figure A6.2, right MV generated JCDF; 86.9% yield $g_1 \cap g_2 \leq 0$.

If functions such as the ones used in this example or worse are found in a real system, one should use the CoS calculation suggested in this paper with caution. Nevertheless, the CoS approximation in this example is quite accurate. The maximum absolute difference between the MCS and MV generated JCDFs for this system at this DP is less than 2%. Figures A7 and A8 display the absolute and relative errors between the MV calculation and the MCS calculation.

Some of the error clearly originates from the linearization of the response functions. Depending on the shape of the actual response function, the error caused by the linearization could be expected to increase with increasing distance from the expansion point, i.e. the deterministic DP, which is also where the random variables take their mean values. However, since the probability becomes less dense with increasing distance from the mean values (for normal distributed variables), the absolute error does not increase unrestrained; conversely, the absolute error principally decreases with increasing distance in this example. Also, it should be noted that MCS is also an approximation technique with associated errors. Thus, the CoS calculation may actually be closer to the truth than the MCS calculation in some aspects. The region with the highest absolute error is located close to the deterministic DP, and the DP itself $(x,y) = (0,0)$ yields an error of just under 2%.

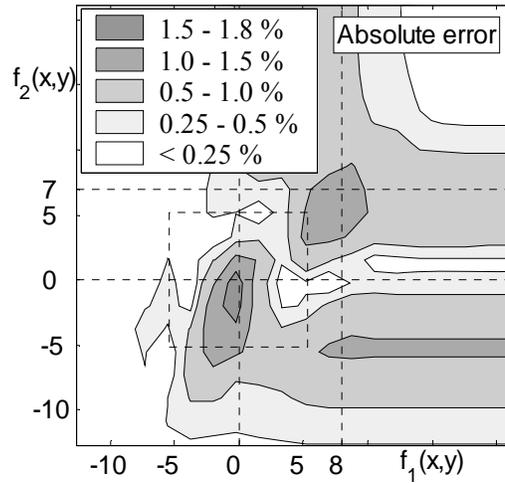


Figure A7 Absolute difference between MCS and MV JCDFs. The dashed square is enclosing the region for which the response deviation is within σ for each function.

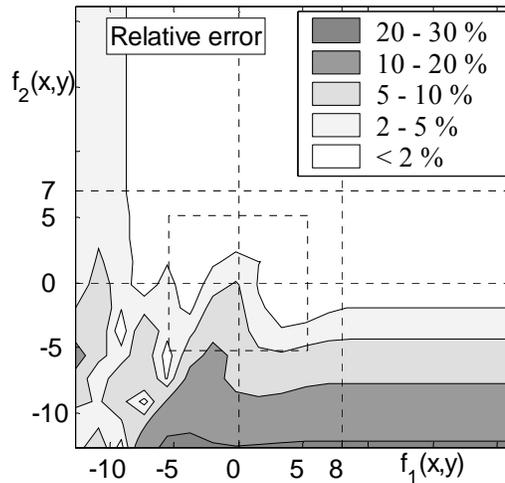


Figure A8 Error in the MV calculated JCDF relative to the MCS calculation.

The relative error is greater in the region of low cumulative probability, as could be expected studying the absolute error. Even a small absolute error triggers a very large relative error in this region. The relative error never exceeds 2% in regions above the 50% JCDF level. The most interesting point is where the two LSFs intersect: $(f_1, f_2) = (8, 7)$ or $(x, y) = (1.11, 1.21)$. The accuracy of the JCDF value at this point is an important indicator of the accuracy of the CoS calculation. The absolute error here is 1.2% and the relative error is 1.4%.

Appendix B: Model Input Parameters, Exact DDG 51 DP, and DV Boundaries

Parameter	Description	Type	DDG 51	min	max
LWL	Length at Waterline (m)	continuous variable	141.8	125.0	160.0
B	Beam at Waterline (m)	continuous variable	17.9	15.0	20.0
D10	Hull Depth at Station 10 (m)	continuous variable	12.8	10.0	14.0
T	Design Draft (m)	continuous variable	6.1	5.0	7.0
Cp	Prismatic Coefficient	continuous variable	0.607	0.550	0.700
Cx	Maximum Section Coefficient	continuous variable	0.818	0.700	0.900
Crd	Raised Deck Coefficient	continuous variable	0.8	0.7	1.0
VD	Deckhouse Volume (m ³)	continuous variable	5400	3000	6000
CDHMAT	Deckhouse Material Type	discrete variable	1	1	2
BALtype	Ballast Type	discrete variable	1	0	1
PSYS	Propulsion System	discrete variable	3	1	17
GSYS	Generator System	discrete variable	1	1	8
Ts	Stores Duration (days)	discrete variable	60	45	60
Ncps	Collective Protection System	discrete variable	1	0	2
CMan	Manning Reduction Factor	continuous variable	1.0	0.5	1.0
AAW	Anti-Air Warfare System	discrete variable	3	1	10
ASUW	Anti-Surface Warfare System	discrete variable	1	1	4
ASW	Anti-Submarine Warfare System	discrete variable	2	1	9
MCM	Mine Countermeasures System	fixed parameter	0	---	---
NSFS	Naval Surface Fire Support System	discrete variable	1	1	2
CCC	Command, Control, Communications System	discrete variable	2	1	5
SEW	Signal & Electronic Warfare System	discrete variable	2	1	2
STK	Strike Warfare System	fixed parameter	0	---	---
GMLS	Guided Missile Launch System	discrete variable	2	1	7
LAMPS	Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System	discrete variable	2	1	3
SDS	Self-Defense System	discrete variable	2	1	3
Ndegaus	Degaussing System	discrete variable	1	0	1
HDK	Average Deck Height (m)	fixed parameter	3.2	---	---
Flare	Hull Flare Angle (degrees)	fixed parameter	10	---	---
Nfins	Number of Pairs of Fins	discrete variable	0	0	1
WMF	Weight Margin Factor	fixed parameter	0	---	---
KGmarg	Center of Gravity Margin Factor	fixed parameter	0.06	---	---
E24MF	Electric Power 24 Hour Avg. Margin	fixed parameter	1.05	---	---
EDMF	Electric Power Design Margin Factor	fixed parameter	1.05	---	---
EFMF	Electric Power Fuel Margin Factor	fixed parameter	1.05	---	---
PMF	Propulsion Margin Factor	fixed parameter	1	---	---
Ve	Endurance Speed (knots)	fixed parameter	20	---	---
Emin	Endurance Range Threshold (nm)	fixed constraint	3500	---	---
Cgmbmax	Maximum GM/B	fixed constraint	0.15	---	---
Cgmbmin	Minimum GM/B	fixed constraint	0.05	---	---
Vsmin	Minimum Sustained Speed (knots)	fixed constraint	28	---	---
Fp	Profit Margin	fixed parameter	0.1	---	---
Rp	Shipbuilding Rate per Year	fixed parameter	2.5	---	---
Rif	Average Inflation Rate after Base	fixed parameter	10	---	---
Ns	Number of Ships to be Built	fixed parameter	20	---	---
NYbase	Base Year for Cost Calculation	fixed parameter	1985	---	---
Ri	Average Inflation Rate before Base	fixed parameter	10	---	---

Appendix C: MOP Weight Vector

Measures of Performance (MOPs) are specific ship or system performance metrics independent of mission scenario or mission type (Good and Brown, 2006). The 20 MOPs used in this report, along with their associated weights, are listed below. MOP weights are calculated using pair-wise comparison and expert opinion. The dot product of the MOP weight vector and a specific VOP vector generates an OMOE value between 0 and 1 for a particular ship design.

Measure of Performance (MOP)	MOP Weight
Anti-Air Warfare	0.181
Anti-Submarine Warfare	0.128
Anti-Surface Warfare	0.122
Command, Control, Communications	0.079
Mine Countermeasures	0.000
Naval Surface Fire Support	0.061
Fleet Support Operations	0.026
Intelligence	0.049
Strike Warfare	0.123
Sustained Speed	0.018
Endurance Range	0.014
Provisions Duration	0.012
Seakeeping	0.032
Environmental	0.005
Structure	0.019
NBC	0.022
Radar Cross Section	0.037
Acoustic Signature	0.030
Infrared Signature	0.023
Magnetic Signature	0.019
TOTAL	1.000

Appendix D: Numerical Differentiation Calculation coded in Visual Basic Script

The Numerical Differentiation calculation sets up the GUI used to obtain the criteria responses Z and other necessary components of the CoS calculation. *This calculation has been adapted from Klasen's original work. Only comments have been added.*

```

distVariable.autoGrow = true           'generate 1st Table
distResponse.autoGrow = true          'generate 2nd Table

createRefProps()

sub run

    numVar = distVariable.length        'number of uncertain variables
    numResp = distResponse.length       'number of responses of interest
    Z.setDimensions numVar+1,numResp    'set dimensions
    X.setDimensions numVar+1,numVar
    Zls.setDimensions numResp
    UL.setDimensions numResp

    iter = 0                            'initialize
    break = 0
    do until iter > numVar               'total expansion iterations

        if iter = 0 then
            distVariable(numVar - 1) = 0
        end if

        if iter > 0 then
            distVariable(iter - 1) = distVariable.getRefPropValue("step",iter-1)
        end if

        if iter > 1 then
            distVariable(iter - 2) = 0
        end if

        for i = 0 to numResp - 1
            Z(iter,i) = distResponse(i)
            if iter = 0 then
                UL(i) = distResponse.getRefPropValue("overUnder",i)
                limit = distResponse.getRefPropValue("limitState",i)
                if limit = 0 then
                    Zls(i) = 0
                else
                    Zls(i) = distResponse(i)*(1+limit)
                end if
            end if

            if i > 1 then
                if distResponse(i) < 0 then        'break if infeasible
                    break = numVar
                end if
            end if
        end if
    next
end sub

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```
        iter = iter + 1 + break
        totIter = totIter + 1
    loop

    for i = 0 to numVar - 1
        X(i+1,i) = distVariable.getRefPropValue("step",i)
    next

end sub

'-----creates the appropriate reference properties
sub createRefProps()

    dim prop

    '-----distributed variables
    set prop = distVariable.createRefProp( "step", "double" )
    prop.title = "Step"
    prop.description = "step size of N(0,1)"

    '-----response variables
    set prop = distResponse.createRefProp( "limitState", "double" )
    prop.title = "Limit state ratio from mean"
    prop.description = "limit sate"

    set prop = distResponse.createRefProp( "overUnder", "double" )
    prop.title = "Over (1) / under (0) not wanted"
    prop.description = "Values over (1) / under (0) not wanted"

end sub
```

Appendix E: 2 Variable CoS Calculation coded in Matlab

This Confidence of Success (CoS) calculation determines the CoS value of a particular DP as well as each individual criterion's probability of feasibility. It is only functional for two standard normal distributed uncertain variables. *This calculation has been adapted from Klasen's original work. Only comments have been added.*

```
% CoS - only functional for two standard normal distributed variables
% Zls - limit state value
% UL - 1 for cutaway of values > Zls and 0 for cutaway of values < Zls

respnum = length(Z(1,:)); % number of responses of interest
varnum = length(Z(:,1)) - 1; % number of standard normal distributed variables, must be two!
X = [ones(max(size(X)),1) X]; % variable expansion values
span = 5; % sets outer boundaries for standard normal distributed variables
respjpdf=[]; % sets empty placeholders

meanZ = Z(1,:); % transpose of meanZ vector

if any(Z(1,3:respnum)<0) % if infeasible, CoS = 0

    CoS = 0;
    respPoF = zeros(respnum,1);
    Z(2:varnum+1,:) = 0;
    A = zeros(varnum+1,respnum);

else

    for i = 1:respnum
        A(:,i) = X \ Z(:,i); % produces A vector for every response
    end

    t=logspace(0,log(span+1)/log(10),ceil(span*25))-1;
    tint = [t 0]-[0 t];
    t=[0 t] + tint/2;
    t=t(2:length(t)-1);
    tint=tint(2:length(tint)-1);
    ttemp = [-rot90(t); t']; % generates logarithmically spaced vector

    for i = 1:respnum
        [Yz,Xz,LS] = ndgrid(A(3,i)*ttemp,A(2,i)*ttemp,A(1,i)-Zls(i)); % ndgrid generates arrays for
        multidimensional functions and interpolation
        check = Xz + Yz + LS; % creates a limit state value for all coordinates
        if UL(i) == 1 % UL - 1 for cutaway of values > Zls and 0 for cutaway of values < Zls
            area = (check + abs(check)); % creates zeros where it's supposed to be ones – sets all feasible
            (negative) values equal to zero
        else
            area = (check - abs(check)); % creates zeros where it's supposed to be ones – sets all feasible
            (positive) values equal to zero
        end
        warning off %MATLAB:divideByZero;
        respjpdf(:,i) = isnan(area ./ area); % creates ones in place of NaN, caused by division with zero;
        all real numbers are set equal to zero
        warning on %MATLAB:divideByZero
    end
end
```

```

domain = prod(respjpdf,3); % determines coordinates that are feasible for all responses; feasible
coordinates are assigned a value of 1, infeasible coordinates a value of zero.

```

```

jpdf = (normpdf(t)' * normpdf(t)) .* (tint' * tint); % generates quadrant I of jpdf
jpdf = [fliplr(jpdf) jpdf]; % mirrors jpdf over y-axis
jpdf = [flipud(jpdf); jpdf]; % mirrors jpdf over x-axis

```

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CoS = sum(sum(domain .* jpdf)); % summation of each domain point multiplied by its
corresponding jpdf value
respPoF = squeeze(sum(sum(respjpdf .* repmat(jpdf,[1 1 respnum])))); % probability of
feasibility for each particular response.

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end

```

```

% output to Excel file
fid = fopen(filename,'a');
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',clock);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',CoS);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',meanZ);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',respPoF);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',Z);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',A);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',RT);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',Wls);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',designvariables);
fprintf(fid,'\n');
fclose(fid);

```

Appendix F: 3 Variable CoS Calculation coded in Matlab

This Confidence of Success (CoS) calculation is only functional for three standard normal distributed uncertain variables.

```

% CoS - functional for three standard normal distributed variables
% Zls - limit state value
% UL - 1 for cutaway of values > Zls and 0 for cutaway of values < Zls

respnum=length(Z(1,:)); % number of responses of interest
varnum=length(Z(:,1))-1; % number of standard normal distributed variables
X=[ones(max(size(X),1) X)]; % variable expansion values
span=3; % sets outer boundaries for standard normal distributed variables
respjpdf=[]; % sets empty placeholders
check=[];
jpdf=[];
A=zeros(varnum+1,respnum);
meanZ=Z(1,:); % transpose of meanZ vector
X1=[]; % sets empty placeholders
X2=[];
X3=[];
LS=[];

if any(Z(1,3:respnum)<0) % if infeasible, CoS = 0
    CoS=0;
    respPoF=zeros(respnum,1);
    Z(2:varnum+1,:)=0;
    A=zeros(varnum+1,respnum);
else
    for i=1:respnum
        A(:,i)=X\Z(:,i); % produces A vector for every response
    end
    spacing=10; % number of subdivisions per unit span
    t=logspace(0,log(span+1)/log(10),ceil(span*spacing))-1;
    tint=[t 0]-[0 t];
    t=[0 t]+tint/2;
    t=t(2:length(t)-1);
    tint=tint(2:length(tint)-1);
    ttemp=[-rot90(t);t]; % generates logarithmically spaced vector
    for i=1:respnum
        [X3,X2,X1,LS]=ndgrid(A(4,i)*ttemp,A(3,i)*ttemp,A(2,i)*ttemp,A(1,i)-Zls(i));
        % ndgrid generates arrays for multidimensional functions and interpolation
        check=LS+X1+X2+X3;
        % creates a limit state value for all coordinates
        if UL(i)==1 % UL - 1 for cutaway of values > Zls and 0 for cutaway of values < Zls
            area=(check+abs(check)); % creates zeros where it's supposed to be ones - sets all feasible
            (negative) values equal to zero
        else
            area=(check-abs(check)); % creates zeros where it's supposed to be ones - sets all feasible
            (positive) values equal to zero
        end
        warning off %MATLAB:divideByZero
        respjpdf(:, :, i)=isnan(area./area); % creates ones in place of NaN, caused by division with zero -
        all real numbers are set equal to zero
        warning on %MATLAB:divideByZero

```

```

end
clear X Zls UL varnum check t limitstate X1 X2 X3 area % clears parameters no longer needed
domain=prod(respjpdf,4); % determines coordinates that are feasible for all responses - feasible
coordinates are assigned a value of 1, infeasible coordinates a value of zero.
tint=[fliplr(tint) tint]; % t interval vector
Norm=normpdf(ttemp); % Norm pdf vector
for j=1:(2*spacing*span-2)
    for k=1:(2*spacing*span-2)
        for m=1:(2*spacing*span-2)
            jpdf(j,k,m)=(Norm(j)*Norm(k)*Norm(m)).*(tint(j)*tint(k)*tint(m));
            % produces 3-D jpdf
        end
    end
end
end

CoS=sum(sum(sum(domain.*jpdf))); % summation of each domain point multiplied by its
corresponding jpdf value
clear domain % clear parameter domain
respPoF=squeeze(sum(sum(sum(respjpdf.*repmat(jpdf,[1 1 1 respnum]))))); % probability of feasibility
for each particular response.
end

% output to Excel file
fid = fopen(filename,'a');
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',clock);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',CoS);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',meanZ);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',respPoF);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',Z);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',A);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',RT);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',Wlso);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',KGo);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',designvariables);
fprintf(fid,'\n');
fclose(fid);

```

Appendix G: 4 Variable CoS Calculation coded in Matlab

This Confidence of Success (CoS) calculation is only functional for four standard normal distributed uncertain variables.

```

% CoS - functional for four standard normal distributed variables
% Zls - limit state value
% UL - 1 for cutaway of values > Zls and 0 for cutaway of values < Zls

respnum=length(Z(1,:)); % number of responses of interest
varnum=length(Z(:,1))-1; % number of standard normal distributed variables
X=[ones(max(size(X),1) X); % variable expansion values
span=3; % sets outer boundaries for standard normal distributed variables
respjpdf=[]; % sets empty placeholders
check=[];
jpdf=[];
A=zeros(varnum+1,respnum);
meanZ=Z(1,:); % transpose of meanZ vector
X1=[]; % sets empty placeholders
X2=[];
X3=[];
X4=[];
LS=[];

if any(Z(1,3:respnum)<0) % if infeasible, CoS = 0
    CoS=0;
    respPoF=zeros(respnum,1);
    Z(2:varnum+1,:)=0;
    A=zeros(varnum+1,respnum);
else
    for i=1:respnum
        A(:,i)=X\Z(:,i); % produces A vector for every response
    end
    spacing=4; % number of subdivisions per unit span
    t=logspace(0,log(span+1)/log(10),ceil(span*spacing))-1;
    tint=[t 0]-[0 t];
    t=[0 t]+tint/2;
    t=t(2:length(t)-1);
    tint=tint(2:length(tint)-1);
    ttemp=[-rot90(t);t]; % generates logarithmically spaced vector
    for i=1:respnum
        [X4,X3,X2,X1,LS]=ndgrid(A(5,i)*ttemp,A(4,i)*ttemp,A(3,i)*ttemp,A(2,i)*ttemp,A(1,i)-Zls(i));
        % ndgrid generates arrays for multidimensional functions and interpolation
        check=LS+X1+X2+X3+X4;
        % creates a limit state value for all coordinates
        if UL(i)==1 % UL - 1 for cutaway of values > Zls and 0 for cutaway of values < Zls
            area=(check+abs(check)); % creates zeros where it's supposed to be ones - sets all feasible
            (negative) values equal to zero
        else
            area=(check-abs(check)); % creates zeros where it's supposed to be ones - sets all feasible
            (positive) values equal to zero
        end
        warning off %MATLAB:divideByZero
        respjpdf(:,i)=isnan(area./area); % creates ones in place of NaN, caused by division with zero
    end
end
- all real numbers are set equal to zero

```

```

        warning on %MATLAB:divideByZero
    end
    clear X Zls UL varnum check t limitstate X1 X2 X3 X4 area % clears parameters no longer needed
    domain=prod(respjpdf,5); % determines coordinates that are feasible for all responses - feasible
    coordinates are assigned a value of 1, infeasible coordinates a value of zero.
    tint=[fliplr(tint) tint]; % t interval vector
    Norm=normpdf(ttemp); % Norm pdf vector
    for j=1:(2*spacing*span-2)
        for k=1:(2*spacing*span-2)
            for m=1:(2*spacing*span-2)
                for n=1:(2*spacing*span-2)
                    jpdf(j,k,m,n)=(Norm(j)*Norm(k)*Norm(m)*Norm(n)).*(tint(j)*tint(k)*tint(m)*tint(n));
                    % produces 4-D jpdf
                end
            end
        end
    end
    end
    end

    CoS=sum(sum(sum(sum(domain.*jpdf)))); % summation of each domain point multiplied by its
    corresponding jpdf value
    clear domain % clear parameter domain
    respPoF=squeeze(sum(sum(sum(sum(respjpdf.*repmat(jpdf,[1 1 1 1 respnum])))))); % probability of
    feasibility for each particular response.
    end

% output to Excel file
fid = fopen(filename,'a');
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',clock);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',CoS);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',meanZ);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',respPoF);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',Z);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',A);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',RT);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',W16);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',W235);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',W47);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',designvariables);
fprintf(fid,'\n');
fclose(fid);

```

Appendix H: Penalty Function coded in Matlab

This penalty function penalizes designs in the proximity of others to encourage a more uniform distribution of points across the Pareto front. Its concept is described in detail in Section 5.4.

```

% Penalty Function
% design - overall design number
% population - population size
% constraint - acceptable distance squared value
% penalty - % penalty applied

generation=floor((design-1)/population)+1; % generation number
check=(design-1)/population+1; % new generation check
popnum=(check-generation)*population+1; % design # in current population

if generation==check % new generation
    CTOCv=[]; % initialize objective vectors
    OMOEv=[];
    CoSv=[];
    CTOCv(1)=CTOC; % first entry of new generation objective vectors
    OMOEv(1)=OMOE;
    CoSv(1)=CoS;
    CTOCnew=CTOC; % no penalties applied
    OMOEnew=OMOE;
    CoSnew=CoS;

else
    CTOCv(popnum)=CTOC; % add entry to objective vectors
    OMOEv(popnum)=OMOE;
    CoSv(popnum)=CoS;
    distsq=[]; % initialize distsq vector
    CTOCnew=CTOC;
    OMOEnew=OMOE;
    CoSnew=CoS;
    for i=1:(popnum-1)
        distsq(i)=((CTOCv(popnum)-CTOCv(i))/1000)^2+(OMOEv(popnum)-
        OMOEv(i))^2+(CoSv(popnum)-CoSv(i))^2; % calculates distance squared between current DP and all
        previous DPs
        if distsq(i) <= constraint % constraint violation
            CTOCnew=(1+penalty)*CTOCnew; % penalties applied
            OMOEnew=(1-penalty)*OMOEnew;
            CoSnew=(1-penalty)*CoSnew;
        Else % no violation
            CTOCnew=CTOCnew; % no penalties applied
            OMOEnew=OMOEnew;
            CoSnew=CoSnew;
        end
    end
end
end

% output to Excel file
fid = fopen(filename2,'a');
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',generation);
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',check);

```

```
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',popnum);  
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',CTOCv);  
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',OMOEv);  
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',CoSv);  
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',CTOCnew);  
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',OMOEnew);  
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',CoSnew);  
fprintf(fid,'%12.8f\t',distsq);  
fprintf(fid,'\n');  
fclose(fid);
```

Appendix I: Final DPs for Further Evaluation

The eight final designs selected for further evaluation in Chapter 6 and 7 and their corresponding model parameters are presented here (* denotes constant parameter). More sources of uncertainty are addressed in Chapter 6, and these eight designs are used as model evaluation DPs.

Parameter	Description	Lowest CTOC DP	Highest OMOE DP	Highest CoS DP	DDG 51 DP
LWL	Length at Waterline (m)	125.0	156.0	142.0	141.8
B	Beam at Waterline (m)	15.0	18.0	16.0	17.9
D10	Hull Depth at Station 10 (m)	10.0	13.0	11.0	12.8
T	Design Draft (m)	5.0	6.0	5.0	6.1
Cp	Prismatic Coefficient	0.600	0.570	0.660	0.600
Cx	Maximum Section Coefficient	0.780	0.810	0.870	0.800
Crd	Raised Deck Coefficient	0.91	0.70	0.93	0.80
VD	Deckhouse Volume (m ³)	3400	4800	4500	5400
CDHMAT	Deckhouse Material Type	1	2	1	1
BALtype	Ballast Type	1	1	1	1
PSYS	Propulsion System	16	16	17	3
GSYS	Generator System	1	4	2	1
Ts	Stores Duration (days)	53	57	52	60
Ncps	Collective Protection System	0	1	1	1
CMan	Manning Reduction Factor	0.50	0.60	0.90	1.00
AAW	Anti-Air Warfare System	9	2	9	3
ASUW	Anti-Surface Warfare System	4	2	1	1
ASW	Anti-Submarine Warfare System	9	6	9	2
MCM*	Mine Countermeasures System	0	0	0	0
NSFS	Naval Surface Fire Support System	2	1	2	1
CCC	Command, Control, Communications	4	1	5	2
SEW	Signal & Electronic Warfare System	2	1	2	2
STK*	Strike Warfare System	0	0	0	0
GMLS	Guided Missile Launch System	7	4	6	2
LAMPS	Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System	3	3	2	2
SDS	Self-Defense System	3	1	3	2
Ndegaus	Degaussing System	1	1	0	1
HDK*	Average Deck Height (m)	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
Flare*	Hull Flare Angle (degrees)	10	10	10	10
Nfins	Number of Pairs of Fins	0	0	1	0
WMF*	Weight Margin Factor	0	0	0	0
KGmarg*	Center of Gravity Margin Factor	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
E24MF*	Electric Power 24 Hour Avg. Margin	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
EDMF*	Electric Power Design Margin Factor	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
EFMF*	Electric Power Fuel Margin Factor	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
PMF*	Propulsion Margin Factor	1	1	1	1
Ve*	Endurance Speed (knots)	20	20	20	20
Emin*	Endurance Range Threshold (nm)	3500	3500	3500	3500
Cgmbmax*	Maximum GM/B	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
Cgmbmin*	Minimum GM/B	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
Vsmin*	Minimum Sustained Speed (knots)	28	28	28	28
Fp*	Profit Margin	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Rp*	Shipbuilding Rate per Year	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Rif*	Average Inflation Rate after Base	10	10	10	10
Ns*	Number of Ships to be Built	20	20	20	20
NYbase*	Base Year for Cost Calculation	1985	1985	1985	1985
Ri*	Average Inflation Rate before Base	10	10	10	10

Parameter	Description	Universal "Best" DP	"Knee" 14 DP	"Knee" 6 DP	"Knee" 5 DP
LWL	Length at Waterline (m)	139.0	154.0	133.0	143.0
B	Beam at Waterline (m)	16.0	16.0	15.0	16.0
D10	Hull Depth at Station 10 (m)	12.0	12.0	10.0	11.0
T	Design Draft (m)	5.0	6.0	5.0	5.0
Cp	Prismatic Coefficient	0.680	0.570	0.640	0.600
Cx	Maximum Section Coefficient	0.820	0.780	0.850	0.800
Crd	Raised Deck Coefficient	0.89	0.89	0.96	0.70
VD	Deckhouse Volume (m ³)	3500	3000	4800	3700
CDHMAT	Deckhouse Material Type	1	1	2	1
BALtype	Ballast Type	0	0	1	0
PSYS	Propulsion System	17	17	16	16
GSYS	Generator System	4	3	6	7
Ts	Stores Duration (days)	50	51	45	59
Neps	Collective Protection System	2	0	1	2
CMan	Manning Reduction Factor	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
AAW	Anti-Air Warfare System	3	3	3	7
ASUW	Anti-Surface Warfare System	3	3	2	4
ASW	Anti-Submarine Warfare System	3	9	8	9
MCM*	Mine Countermeasures System	0	0	0	0
NSFS	Naval Surface Fire Support System	2	2	2	2
CCC	Command, Control, Communications	1	1	2	1
SEW	Signal & Electronic Warfare System	1	2	1	1
STK*	Strike Warfare System	0	0	0	0
GMLS	Guided Missile Launch System	4	4	4	4
LAMPS	Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System	3	3	3	3
SDS	Self-Defense System	3	2	3	1
Ndegaus	Degaussing System	0	1	1	1
HDK*	Average Deck Height (m)	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
Flare*	Hull Flare Angle (degrees)	10	10	10	10
Nfins	Number of Pairs of Fins	1	1	0	0
WMF*	Weight Margin Factor	0	0	0	0
KGmarg*	Center of Gravity Margin Factor	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
E24MF*	Electric Power 24 Hour Avg. Margin	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
EDMF*	Electric Power Design Margin Factor	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
EFMF*	Electric Power Fuel Margin Factor	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
PMF*	Propulsion Margin Factor	1	1	1	1
Ve*	Endurance Speed (knots)	20	20	20	20
Emin*	Endurance Range Threshold (nm)	3500	3500	3500	3500
Cgmbmax*	Maximum GM/B	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
Cgmbmin*	Minimum GM/B	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
Vsmin*	Minimum Sustained Speed (knots)	28	28	28	28
Fp*	Profit Margin	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Rp*	Shipbuilding Rate per Year	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Rif*	Average Inflation Rate after Base	10	10	10	10
Ns*	Number of Ships to be Built	20	20	20	20
NYbase*	Base Year for Cost Calculation	1985	1985	1985	1985
Ri*	Average Inflation Rate before Base	10	10	10	10

Appendix J: SC Discrete DV Design Space (Stepanchick and Brown, 2006)

Discrete DV	Design Space
CDHMAT	1=steel, 2=aluminum
BALtype	0=clean ballast, 1=compensated fuel tanks
PSYS	Option 1) MD, CPP, 1 Shaft, 2xLM2500/COGAS (RACER) Option 2) MD, CPP, 1 Shaft, 2xLM2500 Option 3) MD, CPP, 2 Shaft, 4xLM2500 Option 4) MD, CPP, 2 Shaft, 2xLM2500, 2xLM500/COGAG Option 5) MD, CPP, 2 Shaft, 2xLM2500,2xPC2/16-DD/CODAG Option 6) MD, CPP, 2 Shaft, 2xLM2500 Option 7) MD, CPP, 2 Shaft, 2xLM2500, 2xLM2500/COGAS(RACER) Option 8) MD, RRG, FPP, 1 Shaft, 2xLM2500/COGAS (RACER) Option 9) MD, RRG, FPP, 1 Shaft, 2xLM2500 Option 10) MD, RRG, FPP, 2 Shaft, 4xLM2500 Option 11) MD, RRG, FPP, 2 Shaft, 2xLM2500, 2xLM500/COGAG Option 12) MD, RRG, FPP, 2 Shaft, 2xLM2500,2xPC2/16-DD/CODAG Option 13) MD, RRG, FPP, 2 Shaft, 2xLM2500 Option 14) MD, RRG, FPP, 2 Shaft, 2xLM2500, 2xLM2500/COGAS(RACER) Option 15) IED, 2 Shaft, FPP, 2xLM2500 Option 16) IED, 2 Shaft, FPP, 3xLM2500 Option 17) IED, 2 Shaft, FPP, 4xLM2500
GSYS	Option 1) 3x3000kw Allison 501-K17, SSTG Option 2) 4x3000kw Allison 501-K17, SSTG Option 3) 3x1053kw DD 16V149TI, SSDG Option 4) 4x1053kw DD 16V149TI, SSDG Option 5) 5x1053kw DD 16V149TI, SSDG Option 6) 3x1566kw FM 12V, SSDG Option 7) 4x1566kw FM 12V, SSDG Option 8) 5x1566kw FM 12V, SSDG
Ts	45-60 days
Ncps	0=none, 1=partial, 2=full
Ndegaus	0=none, 1=degaussing
AAW	Option 1(DDGX1A): 2xSPY-1B, SPS-49, 2xSPG-62, AEGIS Combat System, MK99 FCS Option 2(DDX 2,5,6): 1xSPY-1B, SPS-49, 4xSPG-62, AEGIS Combat System, MK99 FCS Option 3(DDG-51): 1xSPY-1D, 3xSPG-62, AEGIS Combat System, MK99 FCS Option 4(DDX 7): 1xSPY-1B, SPS-49, AEGIS Combat System, MK99 FCS Option 5(CG-47/DDGX1G): 2xSPY 1A, SPS-49, 4xSPG-62, AEGIS Combat System, MK99 FCS Option 6 (DDX 3/4): SPS-48, SPS-49, MK 74 MFCS Option 7 (DD993): SPS-48, SPG-60, MK 74 MFCS Option 8 (DDX 1/FFG-7): SPS-49, SPG-60, MK 92 MFCS/SITR/CAS Option 9 (DDGX3E): SPS-49, MK 92 MFCS/SITR/CAS Option 10 (DD-963): SPS-40, SPG-60, MK91 MFCS
ASUW	Option 1 (DDG-51): SPS-67, SPS-64, MK 160/34 GFCS, Harpoon WCS SWG-1, Small Arms Option 2 (CG-47/DD-963/993): SPS-55, SPQ-9, MK 86 GFCS, Harpoon WCS SWG-1, Small Arms Option 3 (DDX 6&7): SPS-55, SPS-64, Harpoon WCS SWG-1, Small Arms Option 4 (DDX 1-5/FFG-7/DDGX-A): SPS-55, Harpoon WCS SWG-1, Small Arms
ASW	Option 1&2 (DDX 1/ DDG-51/DDX3&4): SQS-53C, SQR-19 TACTAS, Nixie, 2xMK 32 Triple Tubes, SQQ 89 FCS, MK 116 UWFCs Option 3 (DDX-2): SQS-53C, Nixie, 2xMK 32 Triple Tubes, SQQ 89 FCS, MK 116 UWFCs Option 4&6 (DD-963/993/CG-47): SQS-53B, SQR-19 TACTAS, Nixie, 2xMK 32 Triple Tubes, SQQ 89 FCS, MK 116 UWFCs Option 5&7 (DDGX-1E/FFG-7): SQS-56, SQR-19 TACTAS, Nixie, 2xMK 32 Triple Tubes, MK 309 Torpedo FCS, SQQ 89 FCS Option 8 (DDX-7): SQS-56, Nixie, 2xMK 32 Triple Tubes, MK 309 Torpedo FCS, SQQ 89 FCS Option 9 (DDX 5&6): Nixie
NSFS	Option 1: 5" 54 caliber MK 45 gun Option 2: 76mm MK 75 gun
CCC	Option 1: CG 47; Option 2: DDG 51; Option 3: DD 993; Option 4: DD 963; Option 5: FFG 7
SEW	Option 1: ECM SLQ-32-V3, MK 36 SRBOC Option 2: ECM SLQ-32-V2, MK 36 SRBOC
LAMPS	Option 1: Embarked LAMPS w/Hangar; Option 2: LAMPS haven (flight deck); Option 3: in-flight refueling
SDS	Option 1: 1xCIWS,1 RAM; Option 2: 2xCIWS; Option 3: 1xCIWS
GMLS	Option 1 (DDG-X1A/DDX2&3) MK 41 VLS 128 cell, AN/SWG-3A Tomahawk WCS, MK 141 Harpoon Box Launcher Option 2 (DDX5-7/DDG-51) MK 41 VLS 96 cell, AN/SWG-3A Tomahawk WCS, MK 141 Harpoon Box Launcher Option 3 (DDX1) MK 41 VLS 64 cell, MK 13 GMLS, AN/SWG-3A Tomahawk WCS Option 4 (DDX 4) MK 41 VLS 64 cell, AN/SWG-3A Tomahawk WCS, MK 141 Harpoon Box Launcher Option 5 (CG-47/DD993) 2xMK 26 GMLS, MK 141 Harpoon Box Launcher Option 6 (FFG-7) MK 13 GMLS Option 7 (DD 963) MK29 GMLS, MK143 Launcher, AN/SWG-3A Tomahawk WCS, MK141 Harpoon Box Launcher, MK112 ASROC
Nfins	0=no fins, 1=one pair of fins

Appendix K: Final DPs for Further Evaluation after DOT Optimization

The eight final designs selected for further evaluation and their corresponding model parameters after DOT optimization are presented here (* denotes constant parameter; ** denotes discrete DV that remained constant during DOT optimization). It should be noted that no changes were made to the Lowest CTOC DP or the Universal “Best” DP through DOT optimization.

Parameter	Description	Lowest CTOC DP	Highest OMOE DP	Highest CoS DP	DDG 51 DP
LWL	Length at Waterline (m)	125.0	156.0	139.0	146.7
B	Beam at Waterline (m)	15.0	17.6	15.9	18.1
D10	Hull Depth at Station 10 (m)	10.0	12.8	10.9	11.9
T	Design Draft (m)	5.0	5.9	5.1	5.7
Cp	Prismatic Coefficient	0.600	0.565	0.665	0.612
Cx	Maximum Section Coefficient	0.780	0.803	0.877	0.827
Crd	Raised Deck Coefficient	0.91	0.70	0.93	0.79
VD	Deckhouse Volume (m ³)	3400	4600	4400	5200
CDHMAT**	Deckhouse Material Type	1	2	1	1
BALtype**	Ballast Type	1	1	1	1
PSYS**	Propulsion System	16	16	17	3
GSYS**	Generator System	1	4	2	1
Ts**	Stores Duration (days)	53	57	52	60
Ncps**	Collective Protection System	0	1	1	1
CMan	Manning Reduction Factor	0.50	0.61	0.90	0.64
AAW**	Anti-Air Warfare System	9	2	9	3
ASUW**	Anti-Surface Warfare System	4	2	1	1
ASW**	Anti-Submarine Warfare System	9	6	9	2
MCM*	Mine Countermeasures System	0	0	0	0
NSFS**	Naval Surface Fire Support System	2	1	2	1
CCC**	Command, Control, Communications	4	1	5	2
SEW**	Signal & Electronic Warfare System	2	1	2	2
STK*	Strike Warfare System	0	0	0	0
GMLS**	Guided Missile Launch System	7	4	6	2
LAMPS**	Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System	3	3	2	2
SDS**	Self-Defense System	3	1	3	2
Ndegaus**	Degaussing System	1	1	0	1
HDK*	Average Deck Height (m)	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
Flare*	Hull Flare Angle (degrees)	10	10	10	10
Nfins**	Number of Pairs of Fins	0	0	1	0
WMF*	Weight Margin Factor	0	0	0	0
KGmarg*	Center of Gravity Margin Factor	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
E24MF*	Electric Power 24 Hour Avg. Margin	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
EDMF*	Electric Power Design Margin Factor	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
EFMF*	Electric Power Fuel Margin Factor	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
PMF*	Propulsion Margin Factor	1	1	1	1
Ve*	Endurance Speed (knots)	20	20	20	20
Emin*	Endurance Range Threshold (nm)	3500	3500	3500	3500
Cgmbmax*	Maximum GM/B	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
Cgmbmin*	Minimum GM/B	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
Vsmin*	Minimum Sustained Speed (knots)	28	28	28	28
Fp*	Profit Margin	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Rp*	Shipbuilding Rate per Year	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Rif*	Average Inflation Rate after Base	10	10	10	10
Ns*	Number of Ships to be Built	20	20	20	20
NYbase*	Base Year for Cost Calculation	1985	1985	1985	1985
Ri*	Average Inflation Rate before Base	10	10	10	10

Parameter	Description	Universal "Best" DP	"Knee" 14 DP	"Knee" 6 DP	"Knee" 5 DP
LWL	Length at Waterline (m)	139.0	153.9	138.1	146.6
B	Beam at Waterline (m)	16.0	16.0	15.0	16.1
D10	Hull Depth at Station 10 (m)	12.0	11.9	10.4	11.0
T	Design Draft (m)	5.0	5.8	5.0	5.1
Cp	Prismatic Coefficient	0.680	0.570	0.634	0.608
Cx	Maximum Section Coefficient	0.820	0.780	0.842	0.810
Crd	Raised Deck Coefficient	0.89	0.89	0.96	0.70
VD	Deckhouse Volume (m ³)	3500	3000	4800	3700
CDHMAT**	Deckhouse Material Type	1	1	2	1
BALtype**	Ballast Type	0	0	1	0
PSYS**	Propulsion System	17	17	16	16
GSYS**	Generator System	4	3	6	7
Ts**	Stores Duration (days)	50	51	45	59
Neps**	Collective Protection System	2	0	1	2
CMan	Manning Reduction Factor	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
AAW**	Anti-Air Warfare System	3	3	3	7
ASUW**	Anti-Surface Warfare System	3	3	2	4
ASW**	Anti-Submarine Warfare System	3	9	8	9
MCM*	Mine Countermeasures System	0	0	0	0
NSFS**	Naval Surface Fire Support System	2	2	2	2
CCC**	Command, Control, Communications	1	1	2	1
SEW**	Signal & Electronic Warfare System	1	2	1	1
STK*	Strike Warfare System	0	0	0	0
GMLS**	Guided Missile Launch System	4	4	4	4
LAMPS**	Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System	3	3	3	3
SDS**	Self-Defense System	3	2	3	1
Ndegaus**	Degaussing System	0	1	1	1
HDK*	Average Deck Height (m)	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
Flare*	Hull Flare Angle (degrees)	10	10	10	10
Nfins**	Number of Pairs of Fins	1	1	0	0
WMF*	Weight Margin Factor	0	0	0	0
KGmarg*	Center of Gravity Margin Factor	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
E24MF*	Electric Power 24 Hour Avg. Margin	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
EDMF*	Electric Power Design Margin Factor	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
EFMF*	Electric Power Fuel Margin Factor	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
PMF*	Propulsion Margin Factor	1	1	1	1
Ve*	Endurance Speed (knots)	20	20	20	20
Emin*	Endurance Range Threshold (nm)	3500	3500	3500	3500
Cgmbmax*	Maximum GM/B	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
Cgmbmin*	Minimum GM/B	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
Vsmin*	Minimum Sustained Speed (knots)	28	28	28	28
Fp*	Profit Margin	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Rp*	Shipbuilding Rate per Year	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
Rif*	Average Inflation Rate after Base	10	10	10	10
Ns*	Number of Ships to be Built	20	20	20	20
NYbase*	Base Year for Cost Calculation	1985	1985	1985	1985
Ri*	Average Inflation Rate before Base	10	10	10	10