# NSRP National Shipbuilding Research Program

# **Digital Transformation** Digital Thread & Digital Twin Path Forward

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At HII, we view Digital Twins as tools with enabling capabilities that will move us forward with the introduction and integration of rapidly changing advanced digital technologies to our extremely complex ship designs.

# HI HII

#### NEWPORT NEWS SHIPBUILDING



Ford-Class Aircraft Carrier Programs





**Submarine Programs** New Construction

### INGALLS SHIPBUILDING



America-class Large Deck Amphibious Assault



San Antonio-class Amphibious Transport Dock Ships

### **MISSION TECHNOLOGIES**



Cyber & Electronic Warfare



Live, Virtual, **Constructive Solutions** 



(RCOH) & Inactivation



Aircraft Carrier Refuelings Submarine Onsite and



**CVN** Offsite Fleet



Engineering and **Planning Yard** Programs



Kenneth A. Kesselring Site Operations



Arleigh Burke-class Aegis Guided Missile Destroyers





Enabling the Navy the Nation Needs Using Digital to Design, Build & Sustain our Navy's Fleet



**Fleet Sustainment** 



Nuclear & **Environmental Services** 



Intelligence, Surveillance & Reconnaissance



**Unmanned Systems** 



## WHY Go Digital?



### <u>Customer</u>

- Tighter budgets
- Need for a bigger Navy (355 ships)
- Need accelerated acquisition
- Need more capable platforms
- Increased mission availability (A<sub>o</sub>)



### <u>Workforce</u>

- "The Great Workforce culture shift"
- Large workforce retirement
- Increased resource demand
- Decrease time to talent
- Greater competition for talent



### **Technology**

- Model Based Engineering
- Digital Twin
- AR/VR/MR
- Additive Manufacturing
- Artificial Intelligence

"We are not in a status quo time!" – Jennifer Boykin (NNS President)



## We are Building on Past NNS Modeling & Simulation Thrusts



#### **CVN 78 Sortie Generation Model**





#### **HII Digital Twin Definition:** (Collaborative agreement between NNS, Ingalls, and MT)

"A **digital twin** is a virtual representation of an asset (e.g. a component, a system, a ship, or a factory) or of a process (e.g. an assembly sequence). It can be used to analyze and specify requirements, understand the asset and optimize its behavior, interface with the asset and manage its configuration, and forecast its future performance. The digital twin can exist in all phases of the digital thread – Design, Build, or Sustain.

A *digital twin* should include the following maturity characteristics:

- **Digital Models** of the asset, potentially including its geometry and predicted behavior (either simulated or derived from data).
- Association with a **Physical Asset** (component, system, ship, or factory).
- **Communications** via a bidirectional connection to that physical asset.
- **Knowledge** derived from comparisons of the models to operational data from the asset.





## HII Digital Twin (DT) Infrastructure Framework



#### Digital Twin (DT) required?

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| Design   | Build  | Sust   |
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| <ul> <li>Is a DT a Ship Spec requirement?</li> <li>Failure has a serious consequence?</li> <li>Does software control motion?</li> <li>Are there any significant<br/>hardware/software issues with the<br/>legacy or modified design?</li> <li>Does the component present<br/>significant cost, schedula, or<br/>development Risk?</li> <li>Will the prototype be used for<br/>software verification?</li> <li>Is the unit acquisition cost and/or<br/>quantity above a set threshold level?</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Is the component required for System<br/>integration Testing?</li> <li>Does prototype schedule support the<br/>integration testing schedule?</li> <li>Can a DT be used to demonstrate Top<br/>Level Requirements or Key<br/>Performance Parameter Requirements?</li> <li>Is this a major component / system in<br/>the build critical path?</li> <li>Does software control motion?</li> </ul> | Does system have     Are there known     with component,     vendor?     Would rapid rem     Design Agent be r     Does it impact the     of the ship?     Will Sustainment     require component     spars? (manage     Requires Analyze     component performent |

#### DT Decision Tree



DT Use-Cases & Benefits across the Digital Thread



#### DT Maturity Level needed?

|                   | HII - DIGITAL TWIN MATURITY MODEL                                 |   |  |  |  |
|-------------------|---|---|--|--|--|
| Maturity<br>Level | Capability<br>Description   | Functional Description<br>(Model Behavior, Capability Richness)   | Characteristics  |  |  |
| 6                 | Autonomous<br>Decision Making<br>(Artificial Intelligence)        | 30 Models; (Autonomous Operations) by live synchronization and orchestration without any human<br>intervention; Initiative operations supported with AI devices enabled with programmed parameters making<br>decisions.<br>1D Models: Autonomous Software Systems as stand alone products (Weapons defense system, data input &<br>analysis to trigger action)  | (Intelligent)<br>Computer / Machine learning (ML)<br>(happens by more than programmed response<br>Human out of the loop (HOOL)<br>Decisions by Computer<br>Artificial Intelligence (A)   |  |  |
| 5                 | Federated<br>2 way Exchange<br>(Active Monitoring)                | 3D Models (Active Monitoring), Federated, synchronized, and interactive operations among digital twins 2-<br>way data integration with human intervention required for decision making.<br>1D Models, Sensor data interpreted by human  | (Active)<br>External Data used in decisions<br>Might be descriptive standards<br>Could have programmed response<br>Processed   |  |  |
| 4                 | Monitored /<br>Sensors<br>(Passive Monitoring)                    | 3D Models; (Passive monitoring), Sensor Data, synchronized. Cause analysis possible by reproductive<br>simulation with real-time data through twinning interface; connected devices to validate operational<br>compliance with requirements are achieved.<br>1D Models; Sensor data collected and compared to virtual model   | (Informative)<br>Internet of Things (IOT)<br>Processing External Data<br>Sensors<br>Communication to Human (dashboard)   |  |  |
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| 4) Model Validation                        | Manual Checks and Balances<br>Model performance metrics defined, limited validation.  | Limited Automation for Checks & Balances<br>Rule based checks run manually (Checkmate)<br>Dedicated high performance machines with potential to improve<br>on classer.                             | Compute On-Demand & Optimized<br>Compute On-Demand & Optimized, rules defined and<br>processed behind scene<br>Always available, User display of status.                             |
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| 6) Intelligence                            | Descriptive (Data-Information)<br>Limited to visualization with linked metadata access.   | Prescriptive (Information-Knowledge)<br>Behaviors and dynamics modeled for operation and simulation<br>validation.<br>Human intervention required for decisions.                                   | Predictive & Autonomy (Knowledge-Wisdom)<br>Federated, synchronized, and interactive operations with<br>Digital Twin 2-way data integration.<br>No human intervention for decisions. |
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DT Needs change with development phases

This framework will provide a strategy for Digital Twin evaluation, development, and planning.

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Note: The Capability Model is intended to be used in conjunction with the Digital Twin Maturity Model to fully describe a Digital Twin.

## **Digital Twins at NNS**







Could have programmed response

Processer

Maturity Level - 5 Complexity Level – 2

(Active Monitor

1D Models; Sensor data interpreted by human

## Multi-Physics Transient Models • MiL (Model in the loop)

- SiL (Software in the loop)
- HiL (Hardware in the loop)

Aircraft Carrier Logistics Components & Metadata (On-Board Ship access to Digital Twins)

