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# ROLE OF LIVE, VIRTUAL, **CONSTRUCTIVE IN EW TRAINING**



Traditional EW Training

Live Virtual Constructive (LVC) contribution to EW Training

Problems to solve in delivery of LVC



### Traditional EW Training comes from 3 main areas:

- Classroom Training
- Synthetic Training
- Live Training
- Classroom Training
  - Military lead
  - Basic, Intermediate, Advanced
  - Theory
  - Very little practical application
  - Not changed much in last 10 years





- Synthetic Training
  - Varies by platform
  - Not all platforms have mission synthetic devices
    - Pilot simulators only for conversion to type and license checks
  - Can provide a range of threats using Computer Generated Forces (CGF)
  - Some systems can be networked together
  - A number of technical issues with current systems
    - No standardised format for EW data
    - Emitters and EW systems





### Issues with Current Synthetic Training Devices

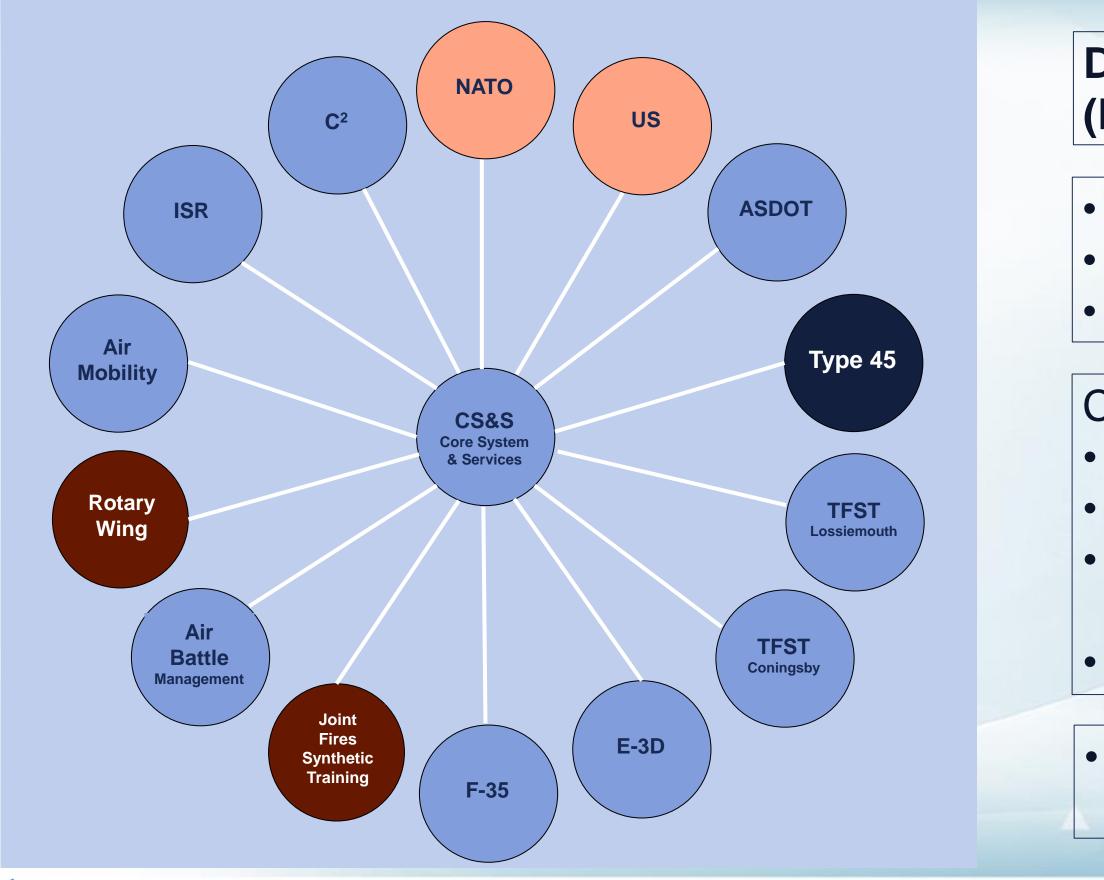
- System integration is complicated, both technically and commercially
- Most currently deployed Simulation Systems unable to adequately represent the complex operating environment
- Defence requires flexibility and agility to keep pace with changing operational requirements and Defence priorities:
  - Many systems require data in different formats

  - Currently requires significant duplication of effort across multiple training systems Unaffordable leading to some systems becoming obsolete

Defence Operational Training Capability is designed to address these issues



## **DEFENCE OPERATIONAL TRAINING CAPABILITY (AIR) - DOTC(A)**





#### DOTC Core Systems & Services (DCS&S)

Commonality

Re-use

Connectivity

Common Elements
Image Generator
CGF
Will be used across the DOTC Programmes
DTEC Compliant standards

Centralised not localised

DOTC(A) is divided into Tranches and so will deliver for different platform groups at different times

The common infrastructure, models and services requires

- Common architecture
- Common data protocols
- This will offer a much improved platform on which to conduct synthetic EW training where the threat models for each platform will be the same
  - Training can be repeatable and consistent
  - Complex
  - Scalable



- Live Training
- ► Air to Air
  - Some EW Training benefit can be derived from Air to Air if assets are available
    - Typhoon
    - Cobham Contract 020
- Surface to Air
  - EW Tactics Ranges
    - 3 in Europe
    - Spadeadam main site for UK EW Training



- Spadeadam Tactics Range
  - Operates within its own airspace
  - Suffers from location
  - Simulated, emulated and real threats available
  - Limitations in moving threat systems around
  - Restriction on use of expendables
  - Operates within EM Spectrum constraints

A number of constraints impact 'live training'







### Live Training Constraints

- Lack of Advanced Surface-to-Air threats
- Lack of Air-to-Air threats
- Scale and Combat mass
- Restricted Airspace
- EMCON
- Security
- Use of EA and expendables
- EM Spectrum Management
- GPS and Data Link Denied Environment





#### LIVE VIRTUAL CONSTRUCTIVE



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Synthetic People Simulated Systems Generates Mass

Constructive

### LIVE VIRTUAL CONSTRUCTIVE

#### Live Virtual Constructive

- Allows some 'Live' flying constraints to be overcome whilst using the same CGF threats employed in the Virtual Constructive environment
- Makes best use of Synthetic training whilst using real systems in the 'fog' of being airborne
- Place synthetic threats in a location that mitigates airspace restrictions
- Allows advanced and complex synthetic threats
- Overcomes some of the security restrictions
- Tactics can be protected
- War Modes can be used synthetically
- Facilitates complex scenarios
- Scalable from 4-ship to LFE



## **LIVE VIRTUAL CONSTRUCTIVE**

## Challenges

- Networks to enable synthetic connectivity
- Standardised EW data format for LVC is required
- Coherent policy required on standardised EW systems in simulators leading to 'fair fight'
- Security

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- Currently only Typhoon and Tornado are equipped with ACMI for AAR debriefs
- In complex scenarios all players need to participate in AAR debrief
- RAIDS, P5 and Encrypted P5 ACMI systems in UK
- Data links to carry CGF entities currently not interoperable
- Embedded training systems required
  - No single owner
  - Platform Project Team to fund

Challenges can be overcome but Industry and Mod must work together

