



SHIP DESIGN AND NAVAL ARCHITECTURE

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Royal Navy Landing Ship Helicopter (HMS Ocean)





Future Surface Combatant

(Early Trimaran Concept – by UK MoD Concept Group





Artist's Impression of a New Royal Yacht





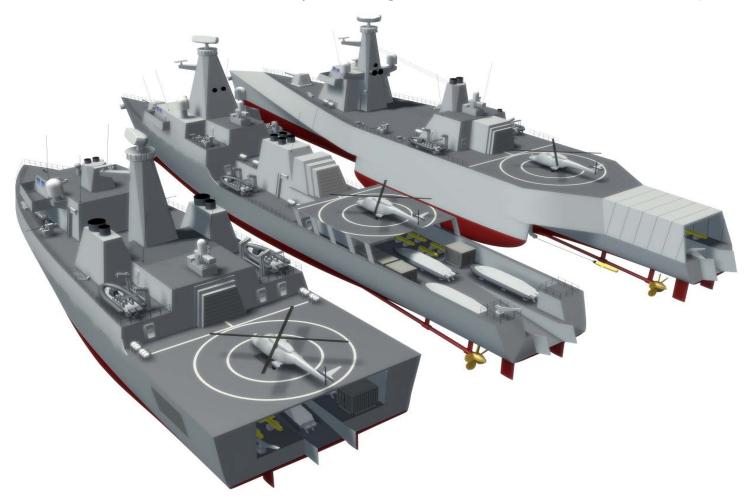
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- Analyst of naval ship design and acquisition
- Professor at UCL developing an integrated approach to preliminary ship design – the Design Building Block approach (SURFCON CAD implementation in Paramarine CASD).



NDP OPV Studies

(Pawling & Andrews RINA Warship 2010)





UCL DBB study of USN LCS for ONR

Number of DBB	343 (in c. 25 SBBs and 11 grouped BBs)	
Displacement	3212te	
Enclosed Volume	19500m3 (R) 2600m3 (A)	
Length, main hull, waterline	136.3m	



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S5

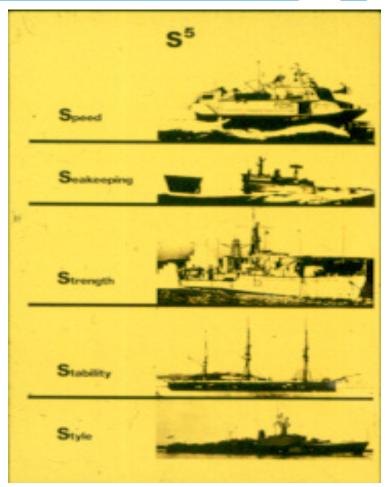




Table 1. Listing of style topics relevant to a naval combatant design

Stealth	Protection	Human Factors	Sustainability	Margins	Design Issues
A c o u s t i c signature	Collision resistance	Accommodation standards	Mission duration	Space	Robustness
Radar cross section	Fire fighting	Access policy	Crew watch policy	Weight	Commercial standards
Infra-red signature	Above water weapon effect	Maintenance levels	Stores level	Vertical centre of gravity	Modularity
Magnetic signature	Underwater weapon effect / shock	Operation automation	Maintenance cycles	Hotel Power	Operational serviceability
Visual signature	Contaminants protection	Ergonomics	Refit philosophy	Ship Services	Producability
	Damage control		Upkeep by exchange	Design point (growth)	Adaptability
	Corrosion control		Replenishment at Sea	Board Margin (upgrades)	Aesthetics



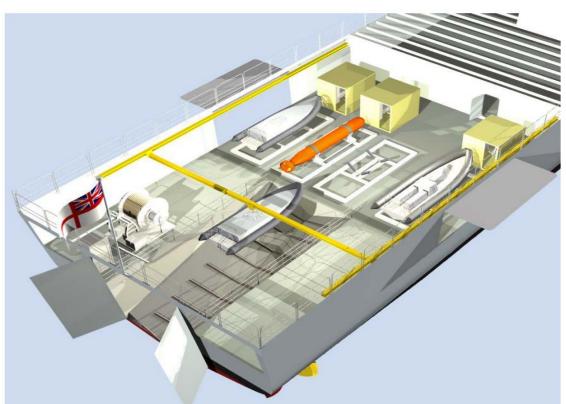
Examples of Style

- Signatures RN Type 23 Frigate
- Accommodation USN "Super Carriers"
- Margin Policy Future Aircraft on RN INVINCIBLE Class
- Adaptability Mission bays



Figure 3 Mission Bay Arrangement for an RN Type 26 Design Study

(Broadbent & Binns 2006)



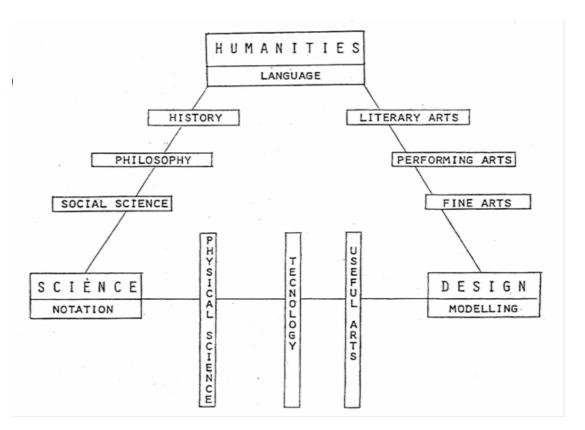


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Figure 4
Bruce Archer's
Representation
Design as the
Third Culture

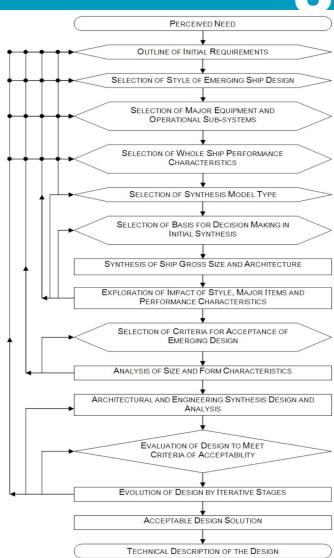




Modelling the Ship Design Process

A representation of the full preliminary ship design process with continual feedback, showing not just design activities but also "decisions/ selections" (conscious or not)

(full description Andrews COMPIT 2013)





Modelling the Ship Design Process

A Simple Numeric Ship Sizing Iterative Sequence with Feedback

ASSUMPTIONS & SOURCES

(Andrews 1986)

ASSUMPTIONS STEPS IN PROCESS SOURCES Historical data on equipment or Final ship design solution will not demand major equipment estimates by equipment Payload changes designers (weight, space, services, complement) The level of complement machinery, services, structure, Based on past practice from Total internal volume etc. will be in line with current payload volume solutions The degree of complexity, structural philosophy, standards First shot at Measures of the density of the of accommodation, upkeep, current ships of that category displacement margin philosophy implied Conventional wisdom on form Power/speed/displacement plots Selection of parameters, shafting, machinery Machinery data (volume, mass, machinery auxiliary power, complement) redundancy, etc. Level of operation (endurance), Either overall figure displacement maintenance philosophy, navy dependant or given by the sum Complement or company manning of complement for machinery, philosophy and organizational payload and remainder structure Equipment data Systems operating and upkeep Auxiliary power and Data book of historical demand philosophies, redundancy, etc. related to ship size complement services with step changes for discrete range of equipment Applicability of hydrodynamics Endurance calculation (hydrodata (triplet, methodical dynamics data). series), usage of auxiliaries, Tank volume Hotel fuel consumption philosophy on tank allocation Fresh water, lub oil, voids (Stability, longitudinal balance, proximity) Sum of payload, mcy, services Assumed structural design outfit, structure Overall displacement philosophy and material choice, Margins on items, growth, 'Board' and internal volume implied configuration solution Superstructure volume as (% access), design point, proportion stability philosophy Reiterate until Judgement of 'Satisfactory displacement and volume Balance' balance

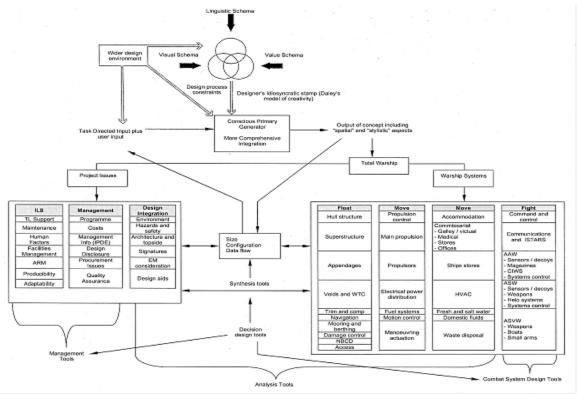


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Figure 7
A (partial) representation of the ship design process and ship definition (Andrews 2003)





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Naval Ship Design is Unique

- There is no prototype
- The warship is a multirole, virtually self sufficient entity, with sustained habitation in extreme conditions – so a level up in system complexity
- Most ships are an assembly of many systems and equipments selection and integration comes after the capability, provided by the overall design, has been frozen
- Much of the capability (e.g. susceptibility, survivability, mobility, seakeeping) comes from the gross ship characteristics – defined early and hard to demonstrate



The Nature of NSD

- Diversity of ship types, seen in terms of design complexity and usage
- the many issues that ship designs have to address so bespoke
- Difficulty, particularly for multirole naval combatants, of requirement identification or elucidation
- The multitude of ship performance issues, alongside the main operational mission(s) that the design must address, including "style"
- The naval architect is both the "hull engineer" and the ship's overall architect
- Political environment in which naval ship procurement operates



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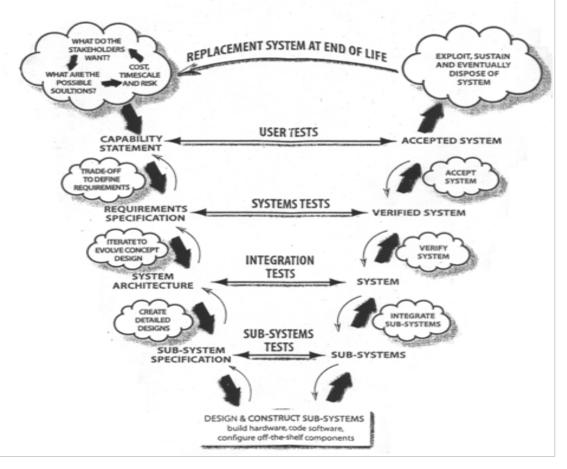


The Concept Phase is Different

- The process is characterised as a wicked problem
- This is a key phase where major decisions are made
- The need to ensure that a comprehensive and challenging concept design process has been conducted, before commencing trade-off studies
- crucial aspect is identification of style advances in computer highlight 'softer" design concerns
- The final aspect is that of requirement elucidation



The "V Diagram" (R A Eng Guide (2007) - "Creating Systems that Work"





The Nature of Ship Concept Design – the implications for Concept Tools

- Believable solutions should be produced, i.e. solutions which are both technically balanced and sufficiently descriptive;
- Solutions should also be **coherent**, meaning that the dialogue with the customer should be more than merely a focus on numerical measures of performance and cost, and should include a comprehensive visual representation;
- The method should be **open**, in other words the opposite of a 'black box' or a rigid/mechanistic decision system, so that it is responsive to those issues that matter to the customer, or capable of being elucidated from customer/user teams;
- It should also be **revelatory**, so that likely design drivers are identified early in the design process to aid design exploration in initial design and beyond;
- Finally it should be creative, in that the method facilitates as wide an exploration as possible to ensure the eventual choice emerges from a divergent investigation rather than predisposed solutions.



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Why Ship Synthesis has been 2 Dimensional (at best)

- Initially computers speeded up iterative balance of weight and space
- More numerical options generated
- Computerised naval architecture
- Better analysis but insufficient good data?



Why Ship Synthesis can be 3 Dimensional

- Computer Graphics
- Hull form generation and IPM
- Optimisation do it because we can should be more about insight than precise answers
- Future approach to ship design –
 should be responsive to a demanding need (better, cheaper, faster into service)



Why Ship Synthesis should be 3 Dimensional - Wider issues

- Many issues ought to be addressed? Does synthesis become too complex?
- If adopt 3-D approach should you move more quickly to greater detail?
 - No, better to see the design evolve through the steps.
- Is it better to invest in first principles NA at concept?
 - What is more important to the user?
 - Better NA early or operational factors being addressed from the start?
- The real need is to improve design exploration and to de-risk ship concept design by early avoidance of potential problems downstream.



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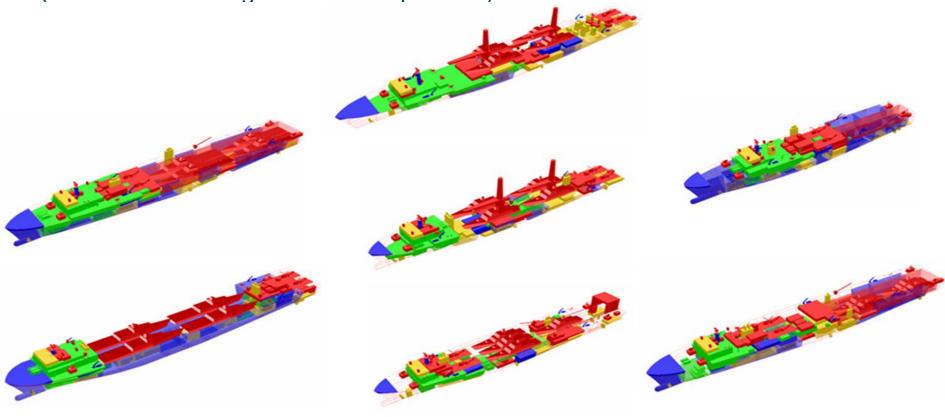
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UK FSC Mothership Studies

(Andrews & Pawling RINA Warships 2004)





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 - the conclusion from Systems Architecture

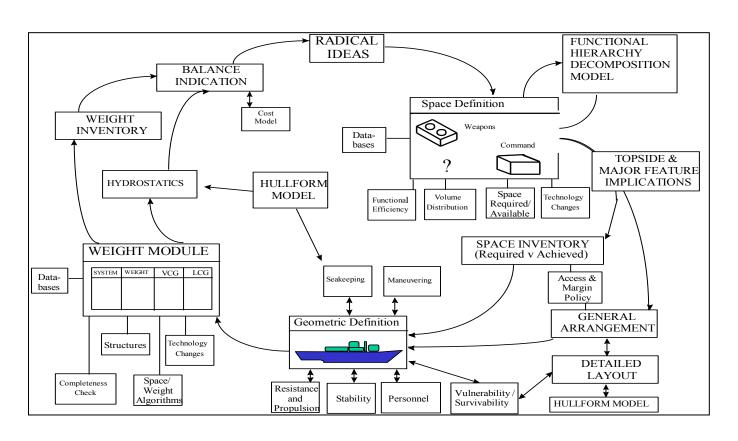


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- But also need to be Creative

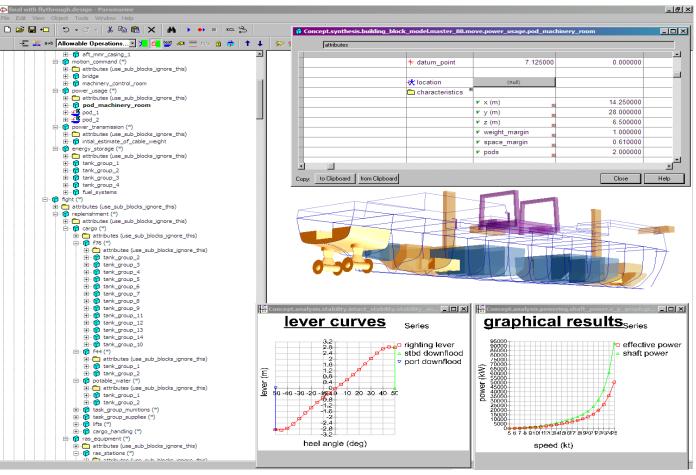


A Synthesis of Art and Science The UCL Design Building Block approach



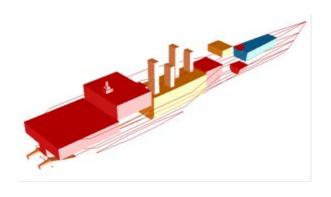


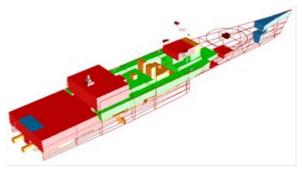
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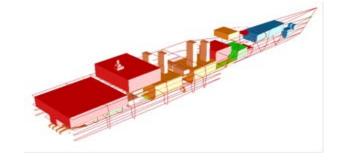




Architectural representations for the LCS study at the end of each DBB design stages











The Stages of the UCL architecturally driven Design Building Block ship synthesis

(Andrews & Pawling IJME 2009)

Design Preparation

Selection of Design Style

Topside and Major Feature Design Phase (18 to 47)

Design Space Creation

Weapons and Sensor Placement

Engine and Machinery Compartment Placement

Aircraft Systems Sizing and Placement

Superstructure Sizing and Placement

Super Building Block Based Design Phase (47 to 110)

Composition of Functional Super Building Blocks

Selection of Design Algorithms

Assessment of Margin Requirements

Placement of Super Building Blocks

Design Balance & Audit

Initial Performance Analysis for Master B.B.

Building Block Based Design Phase (110 to 343)

Decomposition of Super Building Blocks by function

Selection of Design Algorithms

Assessment of Margins and Access Policy

Placement of Building Blocks

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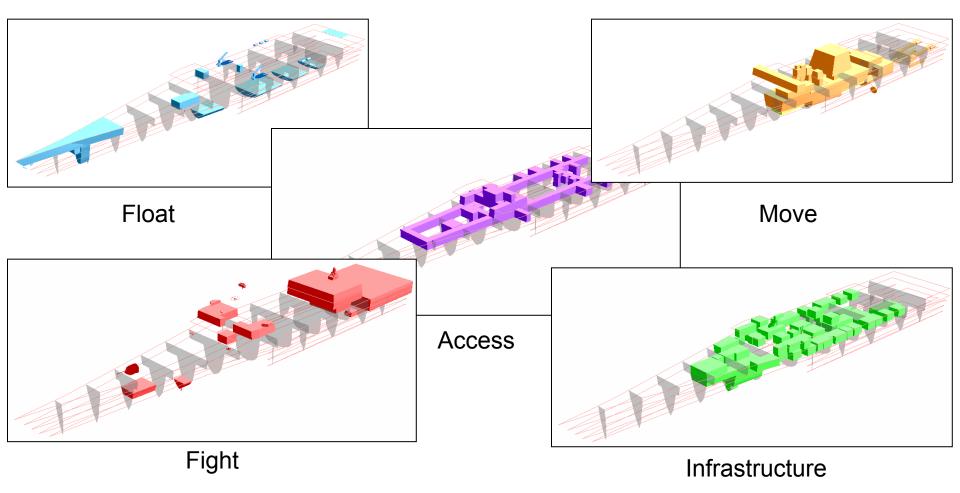
Further Performance Analysis for Master B.B.

General Arrangement Phase

Drawing Preparation



Final Design Functional Groups





Paramarine-SURFCON Carrier Representation

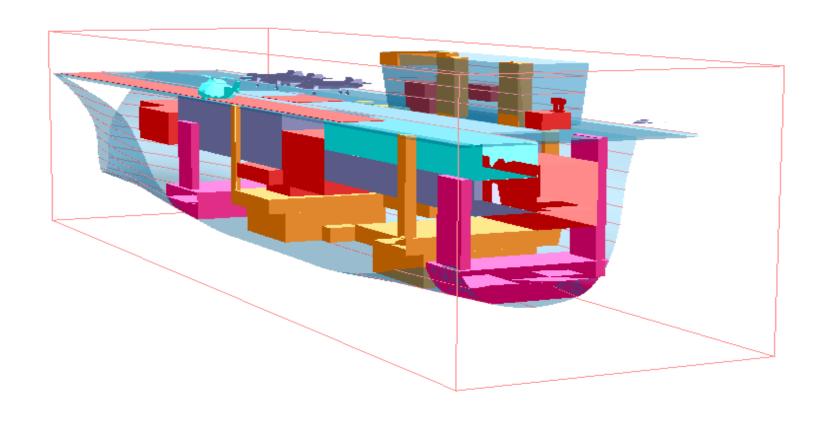
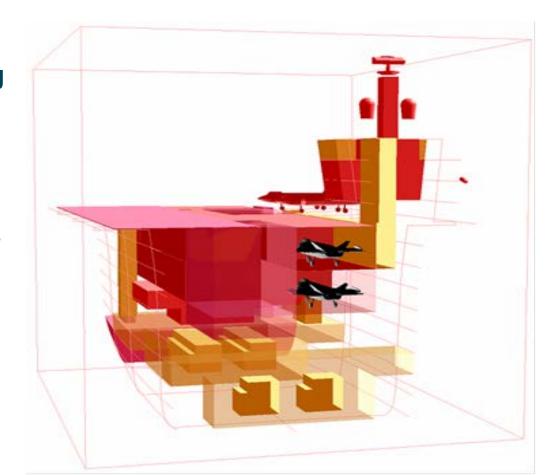




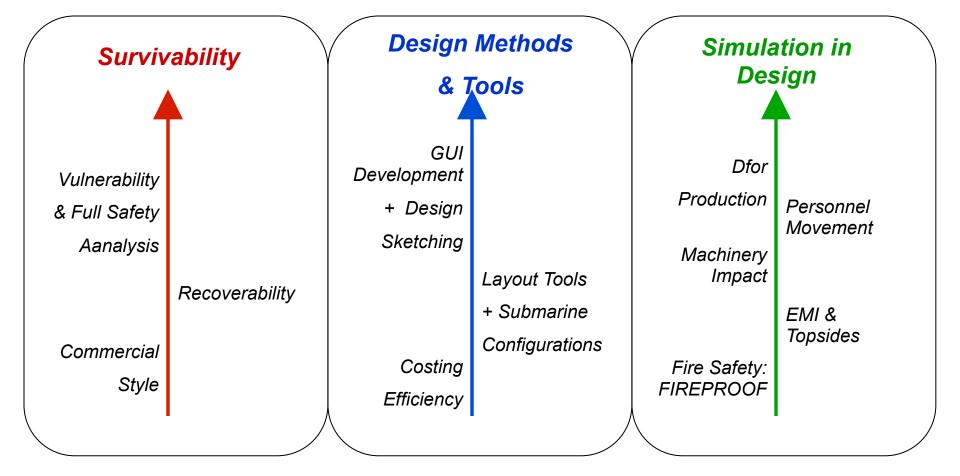
Figure 11.

A section through the carrier concept showing the three dimensional conflicts between hangar, machinery and air ordinance lift arrangements (Andrews 2004)





DRC Research Areas





The UCL Design Research Centre

- Focus on the Design Building Block Approach
 - Architecturally centred configurational model
 - Interactive graphical display
- Rapid concept design studies
- Detailed technical studies
- Long term research projects in last decade (bold current projects)
 - Design for production (SSA DTi VT/Ferguson/Tribon/GRC)
 - Simulation integration (Joint EPSRC SSG partner)
 - CASD (ONR NICOP- NAVSEA)
 - FIREPROOF (EU FP7 12 partners)
 - Commercial style (BMT DSL CASE)
 - Survivability (Dstl CASE)
 - Topside (UCL Impact NDP)
 - Sub UUV Mothership (UCL Impact Babcock)
 - FAROS (EU FP7)
 - DfLayout (ONR NICOP UMich, TUDelft)
 - GT for Shipping (RR Marine CASE) Df Support/UXV studies (BAES CASE)



Thank You

