



Decision Making at the Command Post Level

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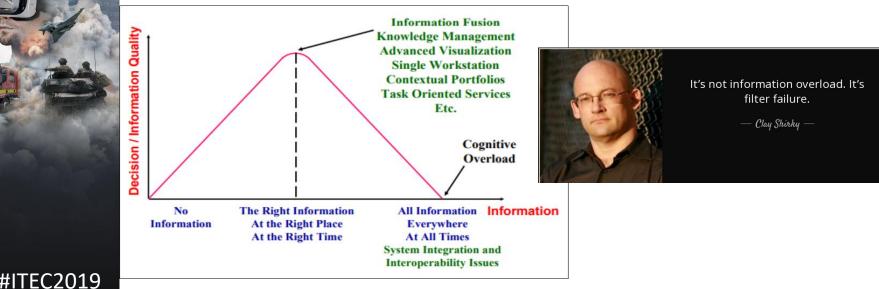


Information overload at CP level

+1600% : The growth of intelligence gathered since 9/11

"There is information overload at every level of the military — from the general to the soldier on the ground"

Art Kramer, a neuroscientist and director of the Beckman Institute, a research lab at the University of Illinois.





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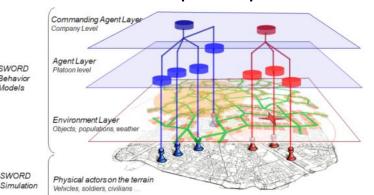
Avoiding Filter Failure

- \checkmark Constructive Simulation \rightarrow Training and Operations Planning
- Add Decision Support during military operations \checkmark

Models

SWORD

- Vision smart A.I. simulated units on complex Operational Picture \checkmark
- Multi-agent simulation SWORD \checkmark Behavior
- MASA SWORD

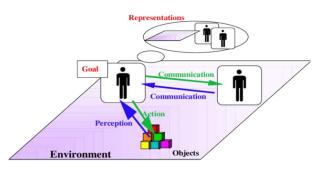






Smart Intelligent Agent / Units

- \checkmark Knowledge of the capabilities of all the units
- ✓ Whereabouts of enemy units
- ✓ Respecting doctrine
- ✓ Much usable information
- ✓ Too much, too complex? Yes!







Towards a solution.....

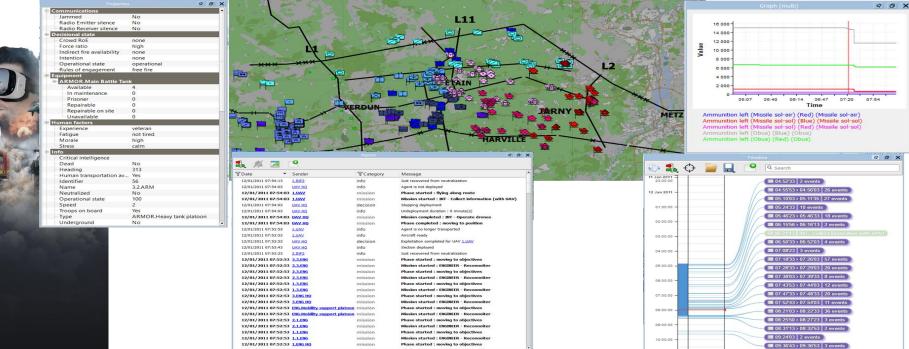
- ✓ Complex COP with on top additional information from our units
- ✓ Personalised view information, serving unique specific objective
- ✓ Alerts, when missions become difficult to accomplish
- ✓ Smart synthesis of battlefield situation
- ✓ Vignets / Snapshots



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Understanding a conflict situation

Understanding a training situation



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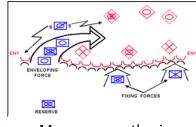
Smart vignette examples



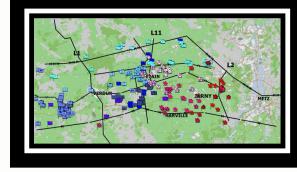
Effect based maneuver synthesis

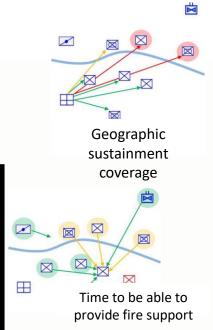


Local force ratio



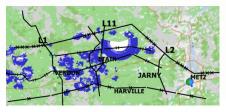
Maneuver synthesis







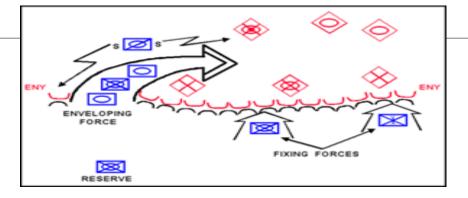
direct fire capabilities

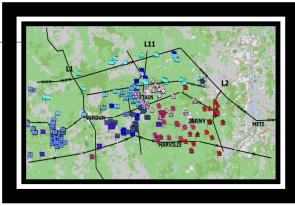


Perception capabilities



Automatic Generation of Battle Lines

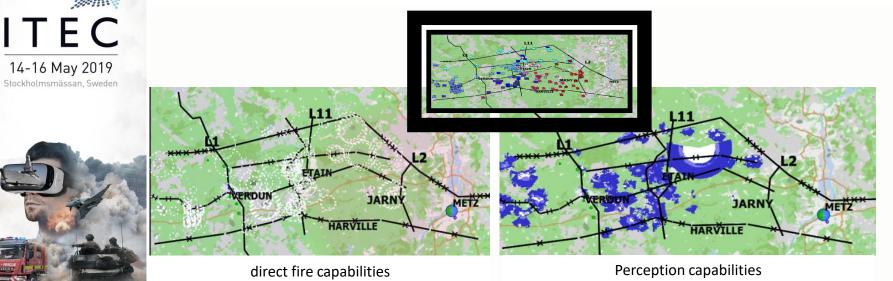




Maneuver synthesis

- ✓ Synthesis of position of own troops and OPFOR:
 - □ FLOT (Forward Lines of own troops)
 - LOA (Lines of Advance, non-recon)
 - LC (Lines of Contact)
 - □ Forward Lines of OPFOR
- ✓ Graphical representation of missions and movements

Automatic Generation of Direct Fire and Sensors



- ✓ Movement has impact on these capabilities
- ✓ Same for the current missions of the units

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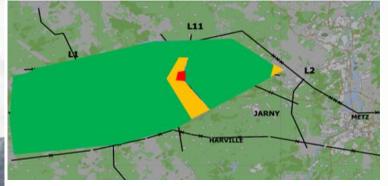
✓ As in real life to make sense (to base decisions on)



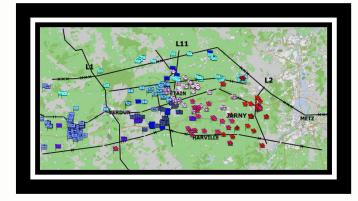
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Translation by AI layer into Force Ratio



Local force ratio



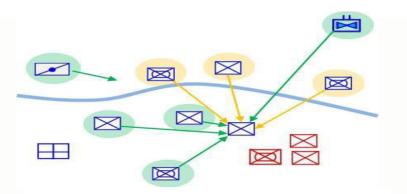
- ✓ From complex simulated situation to understandable situation.
- ✓ Force Ratio

 Red is less favorable with probability that missions cannot be accomplished



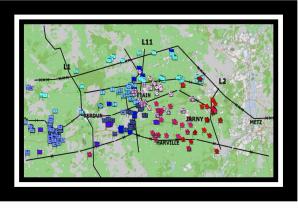


Support to complete mission



Fire support duration calculation for a unit

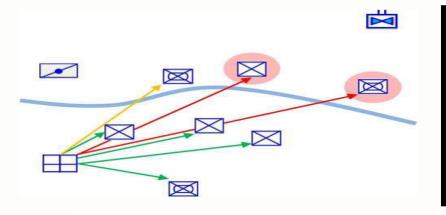
- ✓ Who is able to help out?
- ✓ Based on real timing and available logistics
- ✓ Starting point is dynamic environment / evolution of tactical environment
 - State of bridges and roads
 - Detected mined areas
 - Newly detected enemies

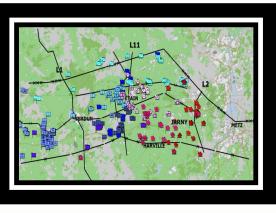






Support to complete mission





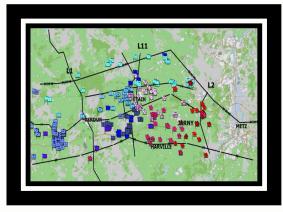
Support duration for supported units

- ✓ Real time calculations allow to take other support actions
- ✓ If a bridge is taken out, analysis will be made which impact on units
- ✓ An alert will go out to supporting units
- ✓ This allows for other courses of action

Synthesis of current and performed missions



Expected effect summary



- \checkmark Value is only added if information is put in context:
- ✓ This example is about presence of enemies in different zones

Black: To reconnoiter. No forward movements yet. High probability OPFOR
 Red: To conquer. An increase of enemies could mean reinforcements
 Blue: To be secured. enemies should not circle in this area
 Green: Secured. enemies in this area should result in serious alert



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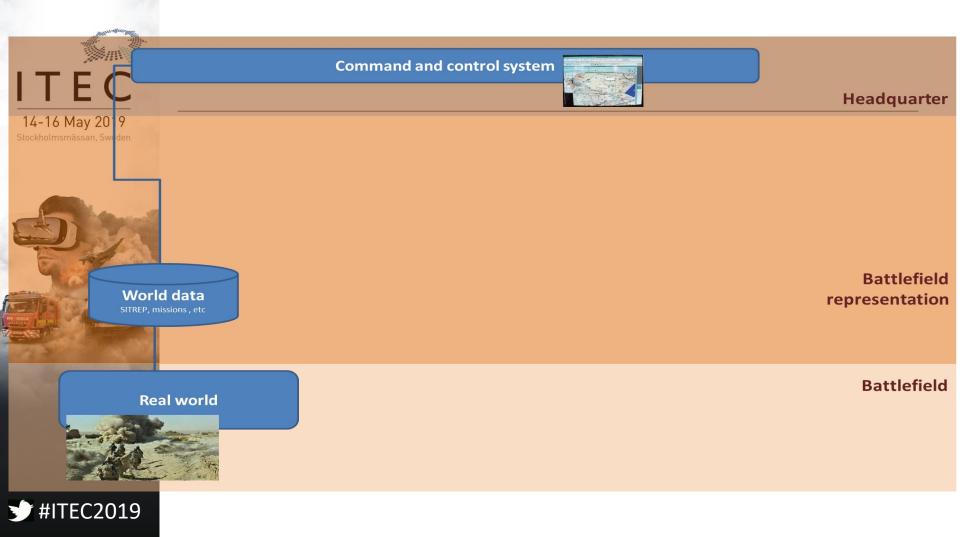


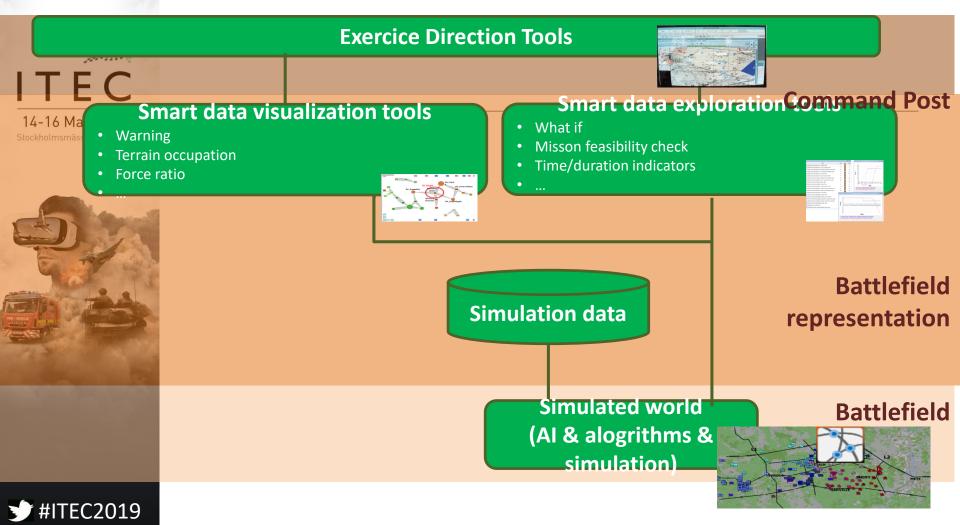


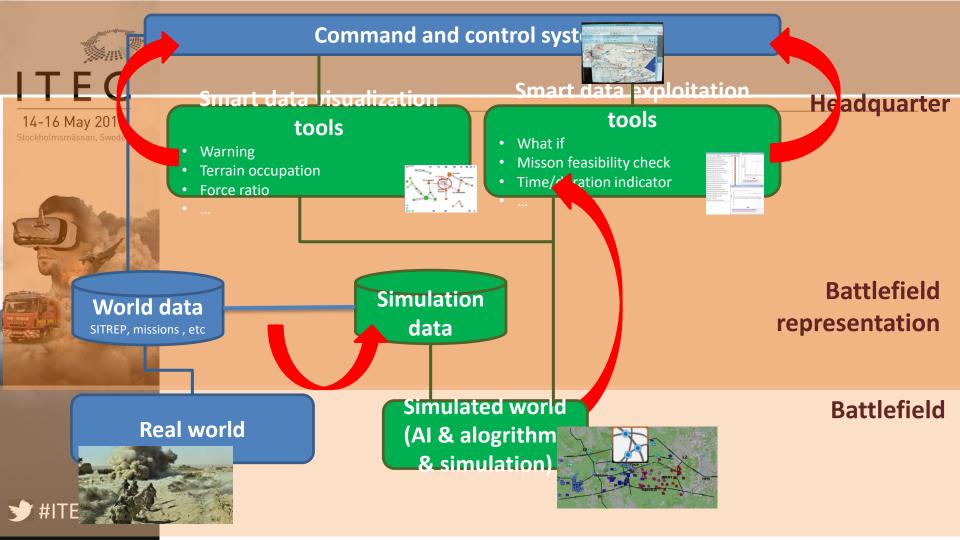


What if analysis and wargaming

- Evaluate the current plan using the current knowledge of the enemy or simulating alternative options ("What-if")
- Future Maneuvers
 Elaborate future maneuvers by creating alternative plausible options:
 - Changing the order of battle
 - Modifying the position and state of units
 - Adjusting enemy scenario
- Alerts for certain conditions











Conclusion

- The digitization of the army will impact decision processes at every level and officers will need next-generation tools to enhance their situation awareness
- ✓ The use of the low-level AI layer and constructive simulation (combined with enhanced equipment and unit databases) connected to real data directly from the field can produce innovative information and help officers in their jobs
- This new SWORD tool can provide a smart synthesis of the tactical situation, smart alerts according to the context and the current maneuver, smart calculations of realistic timeframes and geographic scope capacities, etc.

✓ Simulations can be used during all phases:

