

# 30 Years of Innovation:

## The Evolution and Application of DFMA

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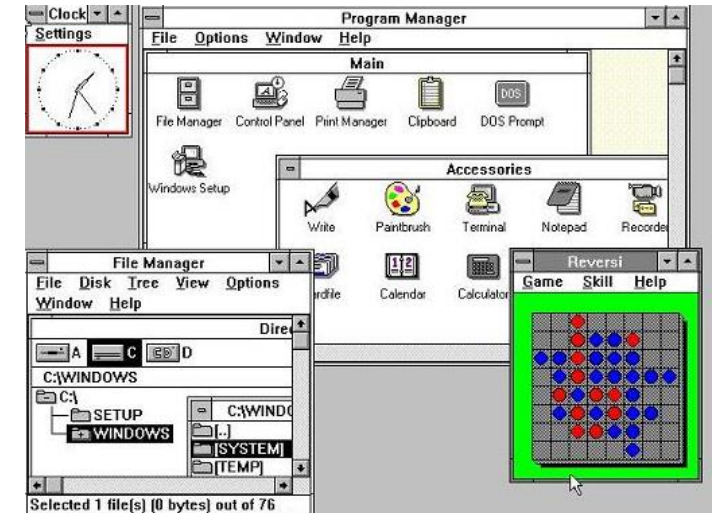
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- Microsoft Windows 1.0 was released
- Back to the Future was block buster movie that summer
- Boothroyd and Dewhurst held their first DFMA conference



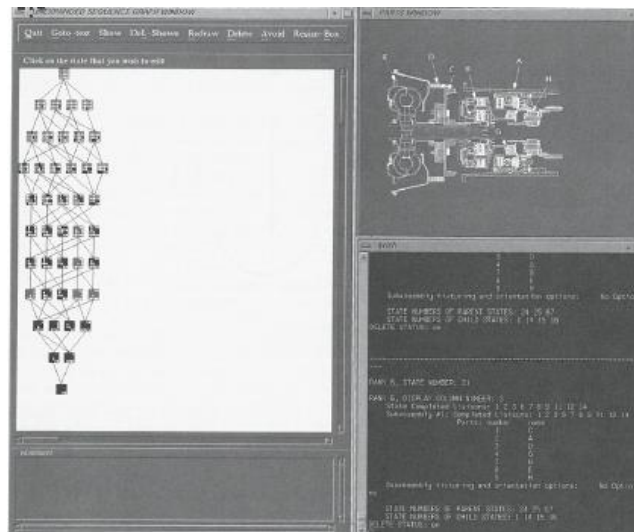
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DFA/ DFM methodologies and software that have come and gone:

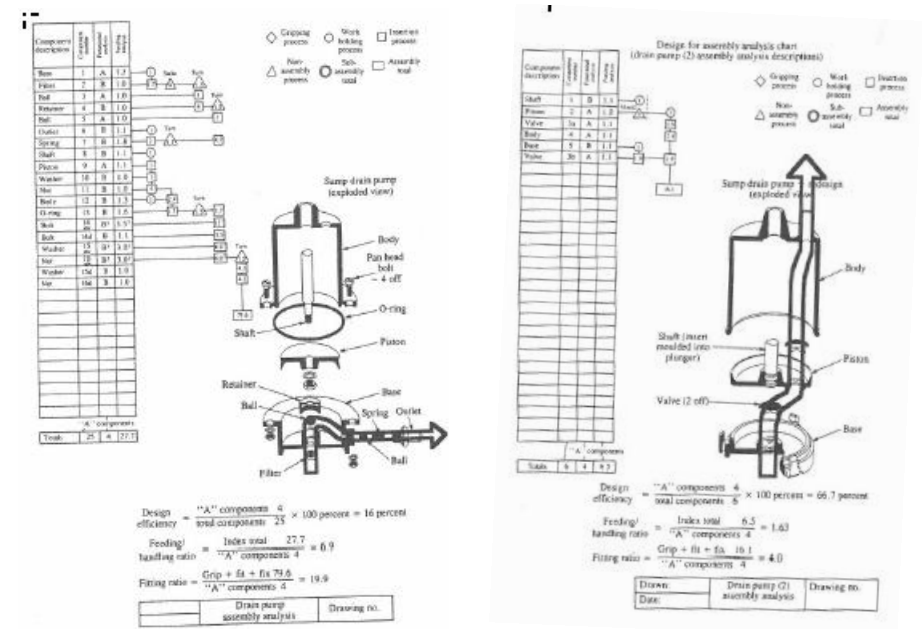
- Hitachi AEM
- Sony DAC
- Fujitsu Productivity Evaluation Method
- Xerox Producibility Index & Pumpkin books
- Lucas Engineering
- Westinghouse Calculator
- Sapphire Design
- Draper Labs



Westinghouse Calculator



Draper Labs



Lucas Engineering

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Origins, History and Evolution of DFMA methodology & software

- 1977 – 1980 Boothroyd starts DFA research, first NSF funding, Dewhurst joins UMass. Faculty
- 1980 -1983 Boothroyd and Dewhurst begin partnership, Development of DFA software for Apple II, conversion of software for IBM PC, DFA handbook published
- 1983 – 1986 DFA PCB research begins, B&D move to Uni. Of R.I. , W.A. Knight moves to URI, release of robotic assembly software, first DFMA conference held.
- 1986- 1989 Work begins on DFM, publication of DFA handbook, machine parts and injection molding software release.



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Origins, History and Evolution (cont.)

- 1988 Committee for the Advancement of Competitive Manufacturing formed, Members included GM, Ford, Loctite, DEC, Navistar, Allied Signal
- 1989- 1991 DFA 5.0 released with PCB analysis, Sheet metal DFM released, DFA 5.1 released supporting Macintosh and VMS, Die casting and Powder metal DFM software released.
- 1991 – 1994 Newer versions of DFA, Large parts DFA, and Design for the Environment, and additional DFM modules released
- 1991 National Medal of Technology Recipients  
“For their concept, development and commercialization of DFMA, which has dramatically reduced costs, improved product quality and enhanced the competitiveness of major U.S. manufacturers.”





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Origins, History and Evolution (cont.)

- 1994 -1997 Updated versions of DFA and DFM, and Design for Service software release.
- 1997 -2015 versions 7, 8, 9, 10 of DFA released as well DFM concurrent costing 2.0, 2.3, Major software rewrites to keep up with ever changing Microsoft operating systems

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There are lots of tools to use during product development:

- House of Quality Quality Function Deployment QFD
- Value Engineering / Value Analysis VE/VA
- Six Sigma
- DTC / CAIV
- Lean
- Lean Six Sigma
- CAD / CAM
- 3D Printing

At the end of the day if you had to choice only one tool to use

It would be DFMA WHY?

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DFMA is the one tool that impacts the entire Product Development cycle.

The **INNOVATION** is all that DFMA can be used for throughout the entire Product Development Process

- Design Simplification
- Early Product Costing
- Competitive product benchmarking
- Concept / Process selection
- Creation of time standards
- Assembly Instructions
- Cost reduction
- Quality
- Vendor quote verification
- Lots of other possibilities .....

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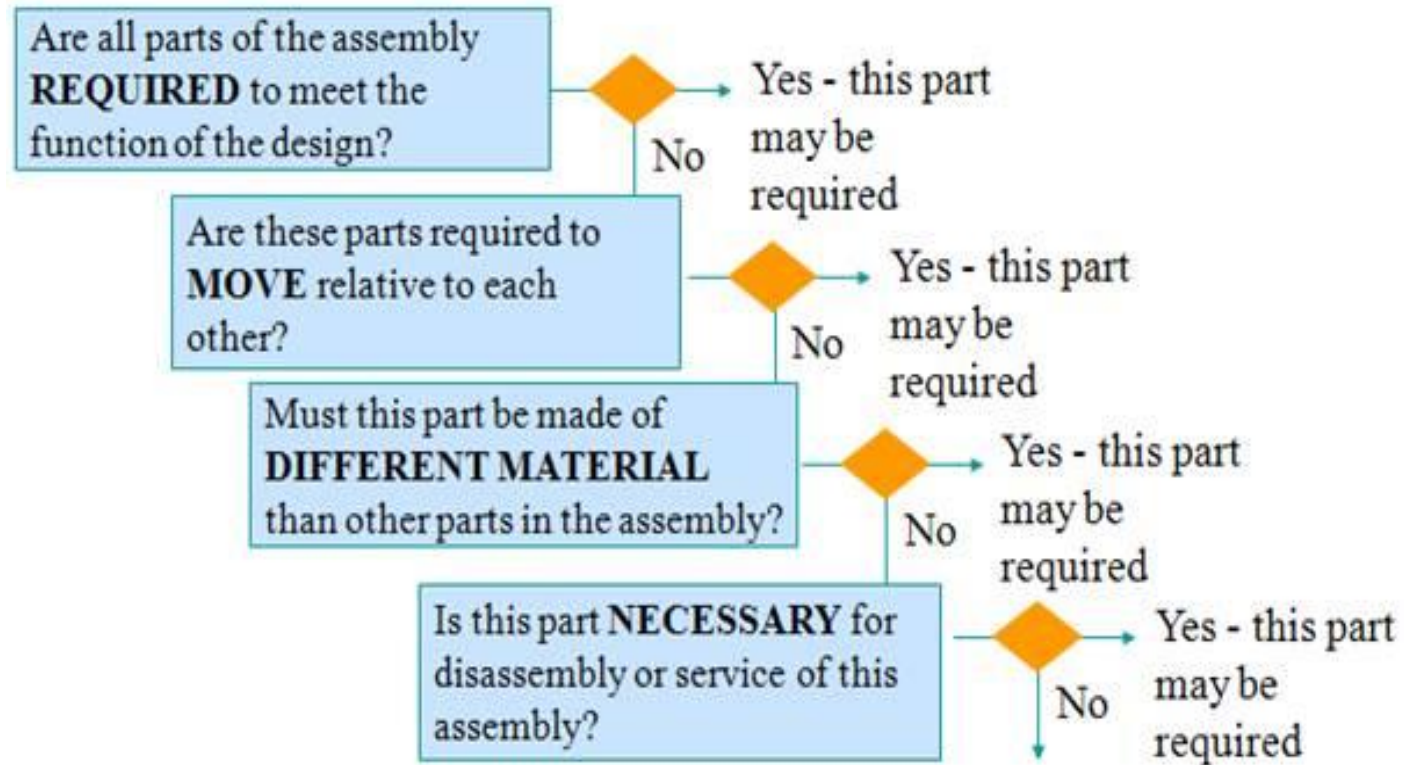
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# How to get rid of parts

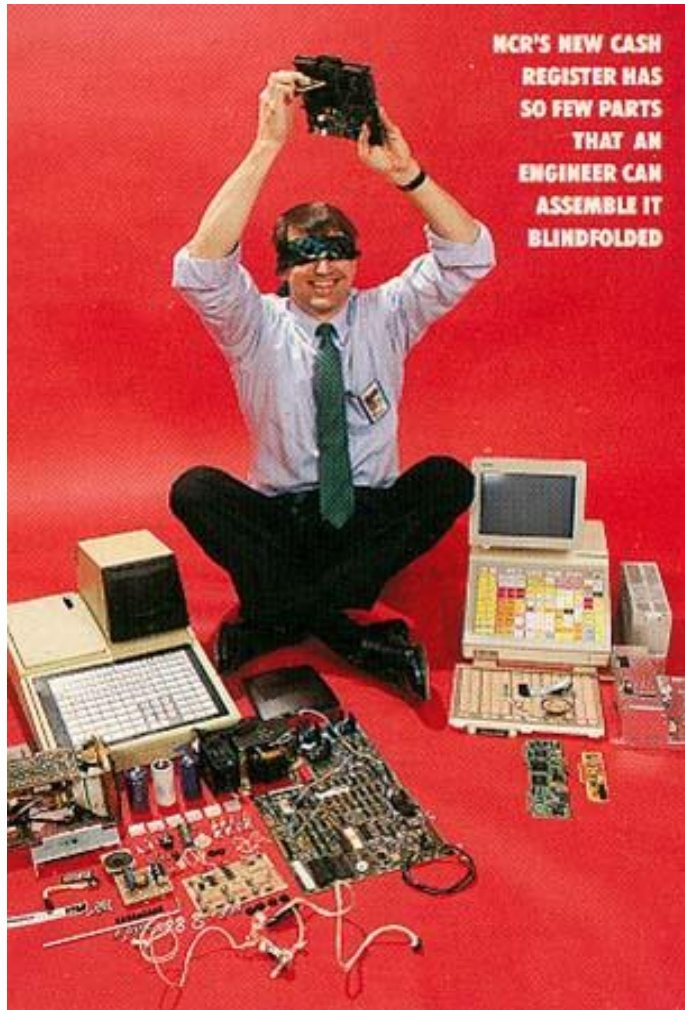
## Theoretical Minimum Part Count

### Test for Unnecessary Parts

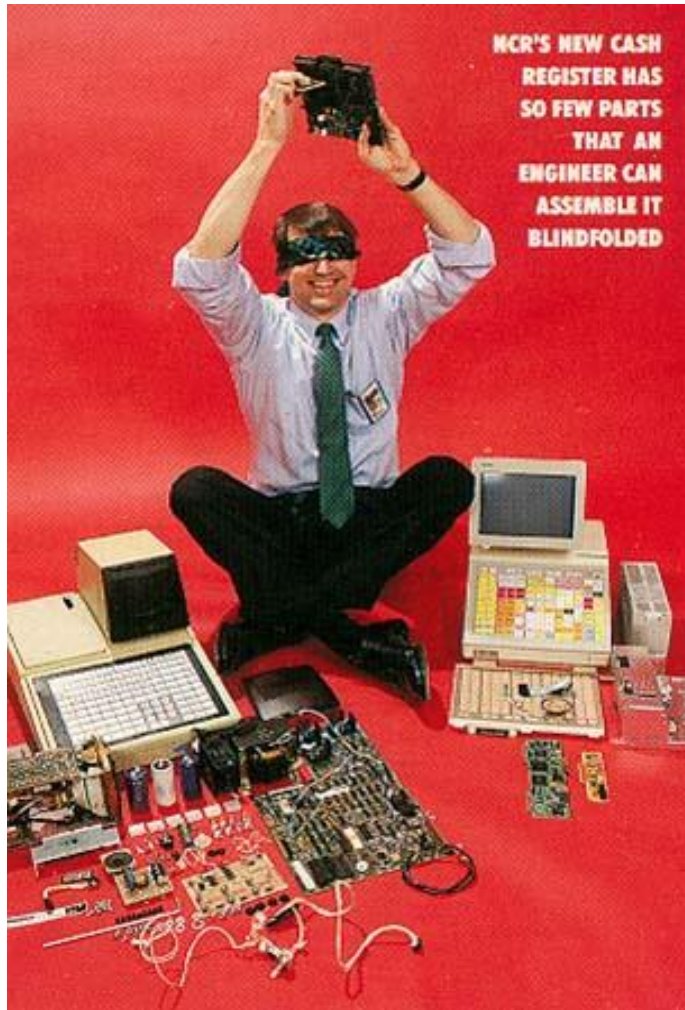


**Part is a candidate for elimination**

# What is the best part of all ?



# The one that is not THERE !



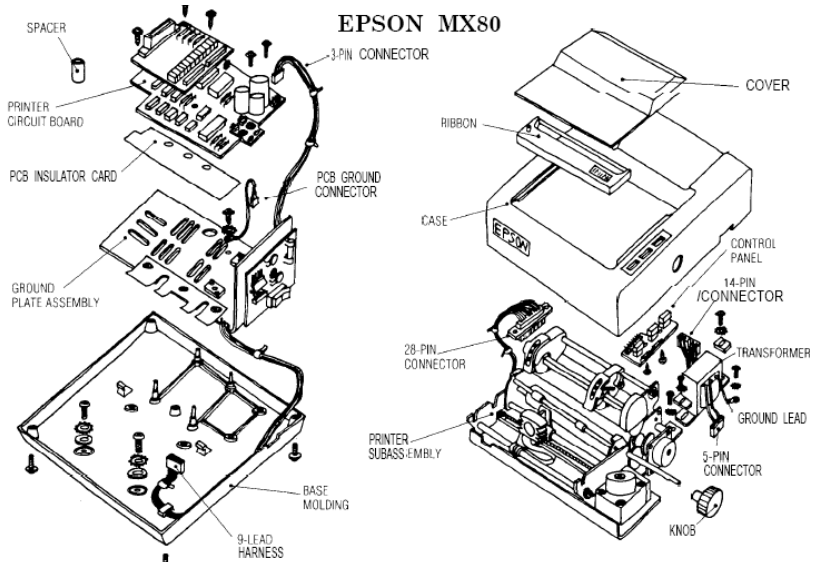
85 % Part count reduction  
75 % Assembly time reduction  
44 % Reduction in labor cost  
65 % Fewer suppliers  
No assembly tooling  
No fasteners

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Theoretical Minimum Part Count ( TMPC)

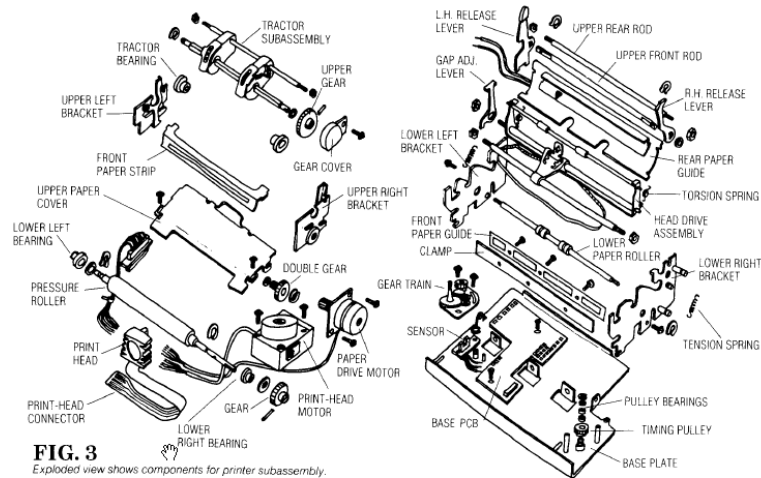


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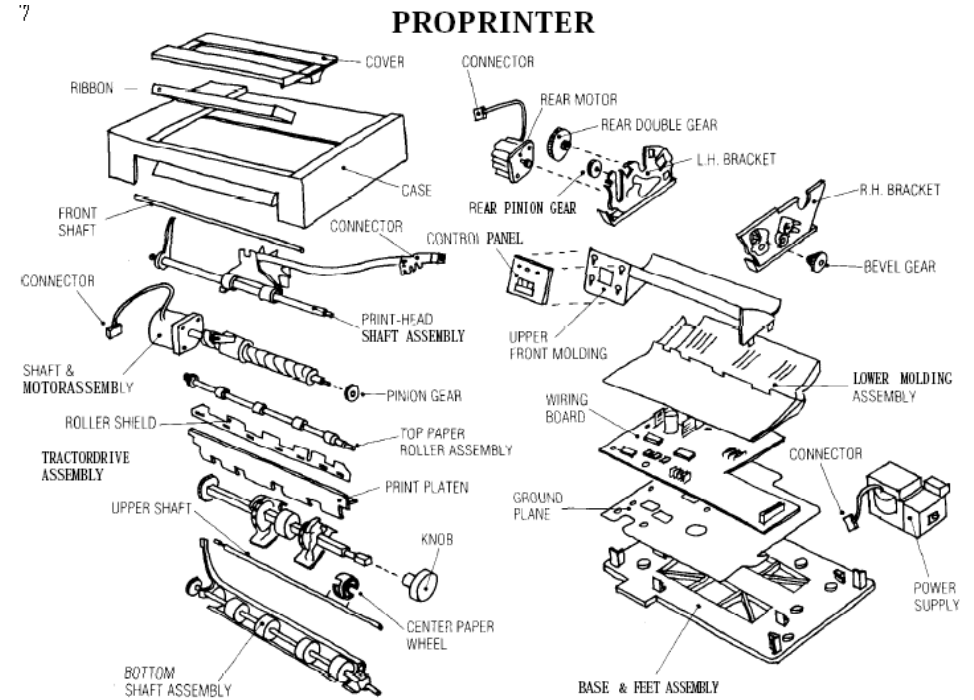


**FIG. 1**  
The EPSON MX80 dot matrix printer final assembly consists of 49 parts or subassemblies as shown in this exploded view.

## EPSON PRINTER SUBASSEMBLY



**FIG. 3**  
Exploded view shows components for printer subassembly.



**FIG. 5**  
Exploded view of IBM Proprinter highlights design simplification in this product.

Epson MX 80	IBM PRO Printer
Total Assm. time sec.	1866
Total Assm. Time	170.
Total Number of operations	185.
Total number of operations	32.
Total parts/subs.	152
Total parts/subs.	32.
Theoretical part count	41.
Theoretical part count	29

# Early Product Costing

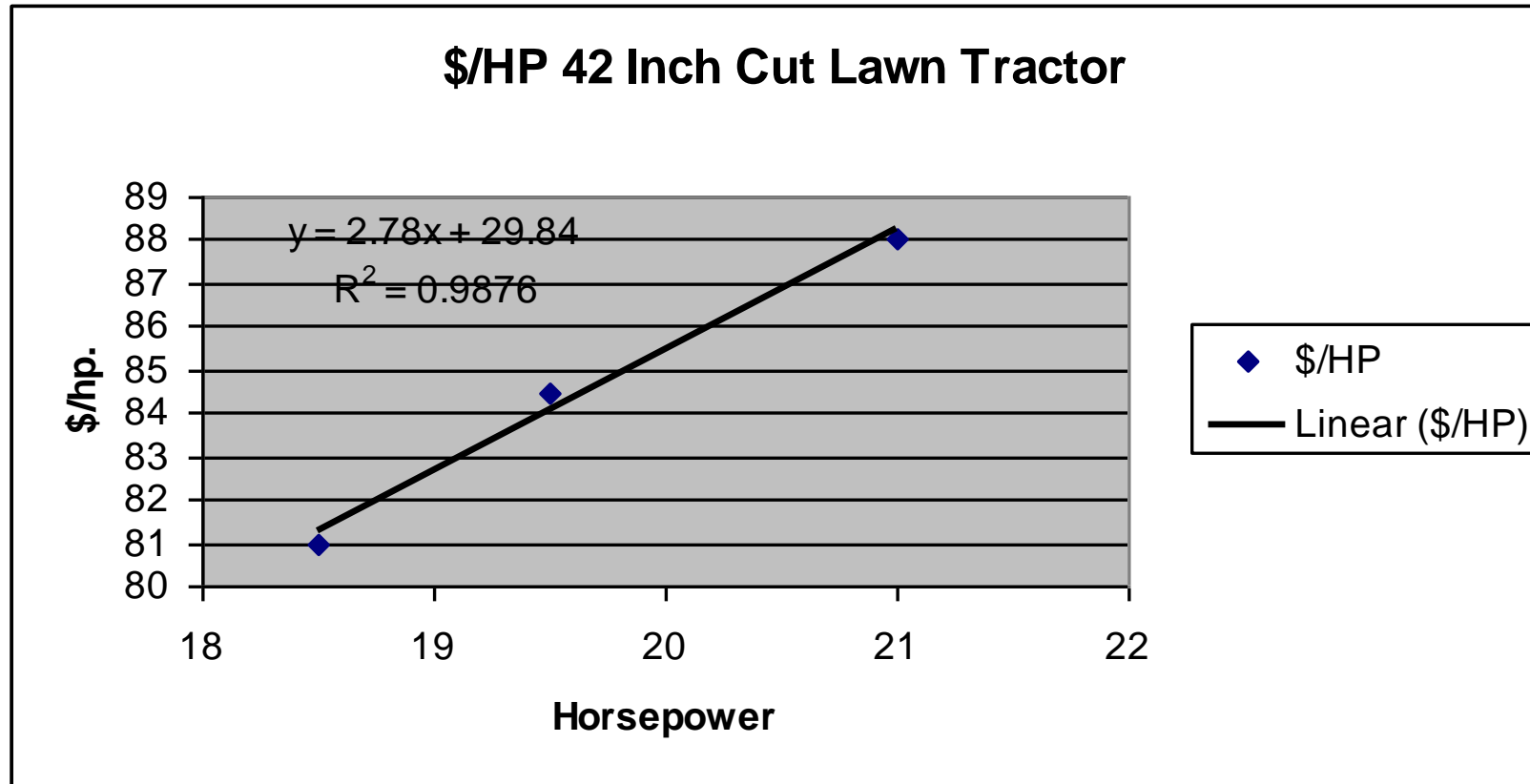
## Define Levels of Cost Analysis

- **Level 1** - A first impression by knowledgeable engineers of what a part , assembly or system would cost based on prior experience. (parametric)
- **Level 2** - An estimation based on prior experience with similar products, budgetary estimates, vendor quotes and expert opinion and experience. ( analogy)
- **Level 3** - Detailed costing of every part accomplished by using material cost estimation data bases, and time/motion studies. A high degree of accuracy is achieved by comparisons to industry standards and vendor quotes. (analytical)

# Early Product Costing

## Trend Line Analysis

- Tractor example



# Benchmarking

## A Comparison of 1U Servers

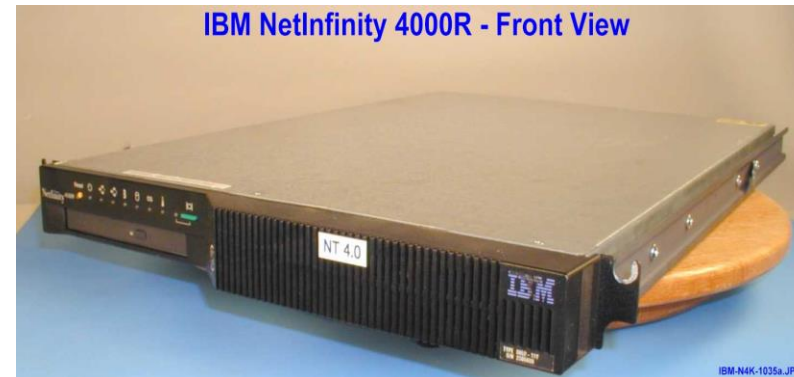
Sun Netra - System Front View



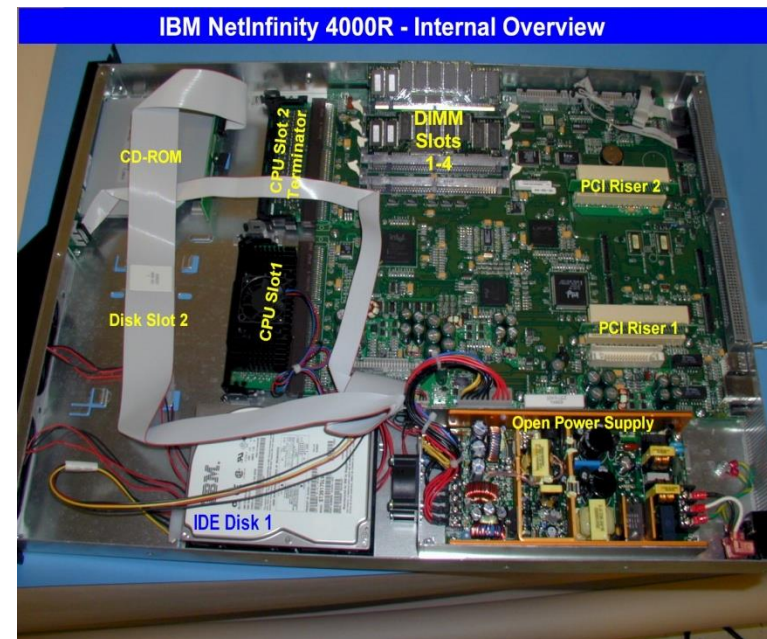
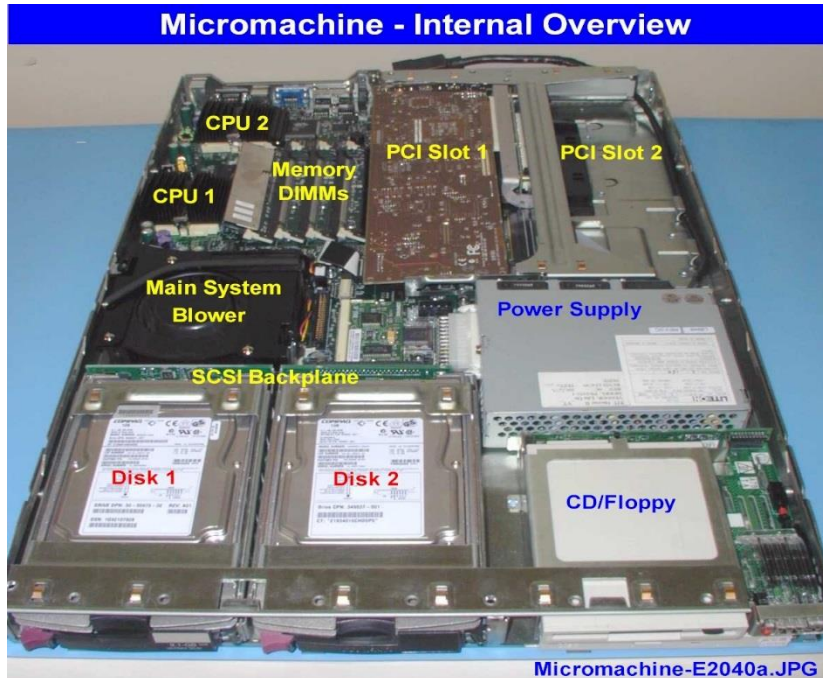
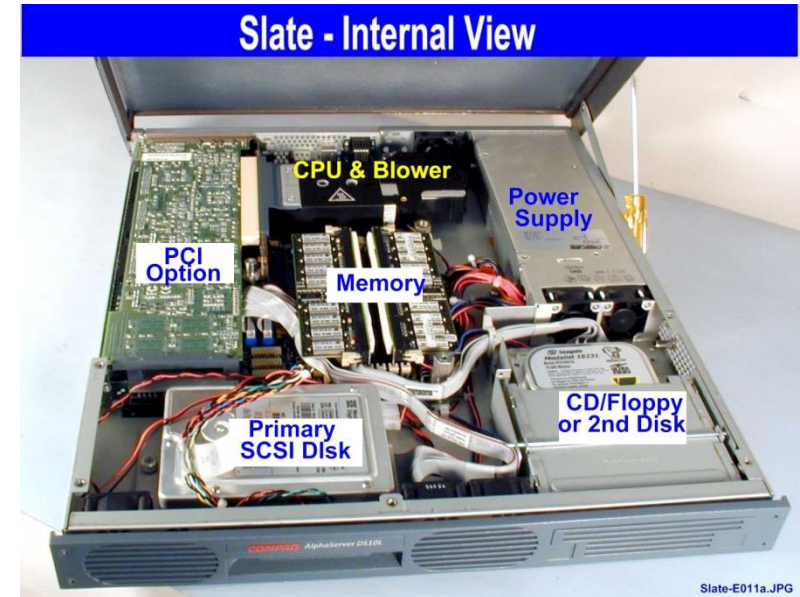
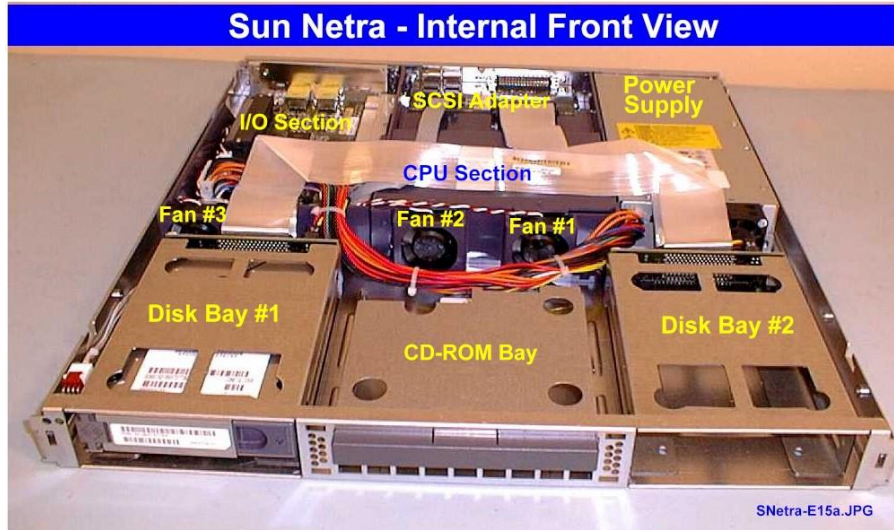
Slate - DS10L - Front View



IBM NetInfinity 4000R - Front View

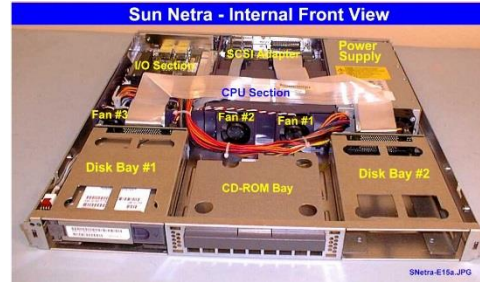


# Whats inside



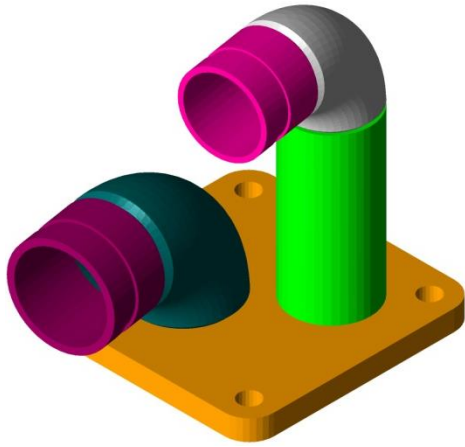
# Function Cost Comparison

## Benchmarking



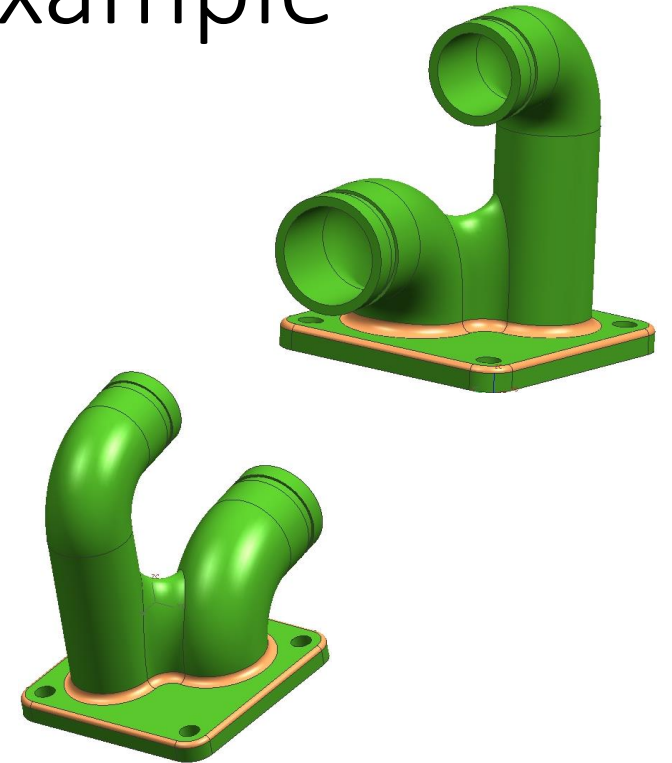
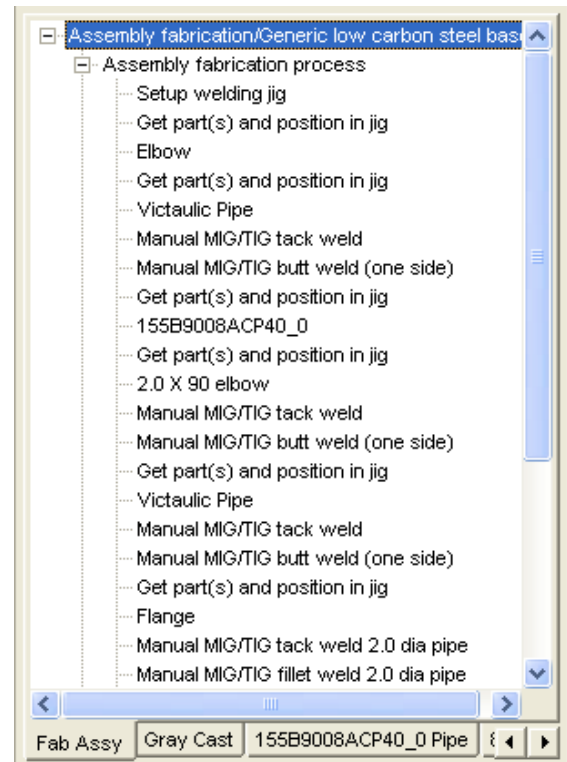
	Sun Netra t1		IBM NetInfinity 4000R	
	Cost	% of Total	Cost	% of Total
Cooling	\$14	0.9%	\$9	0.5%
CPU	\$675	42.6%	\$189	11.2%
Disk	\$215	13.6%	\$281	16.6%
Enclosure	\$50	3.2%	\$93	5.5%
I/O	\$235	14.8%	\$187	11.0%
Memory	\$274	17.3%	\$410	24.2%
Power	\$86	5.4%	\$52	3.1%
System	\$17	1.0%	\$428	25.3%
Pkg/Doc/SW	\$19	1.2%	\$42	2.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,585</b>		<b>\$1,691</b>	

# Locomotive fab to cast example



6 Parts  
'cost estimate'

- DFMA estimate \$84
- Assembly time 1384 sec (23 min)
- Current price \$209

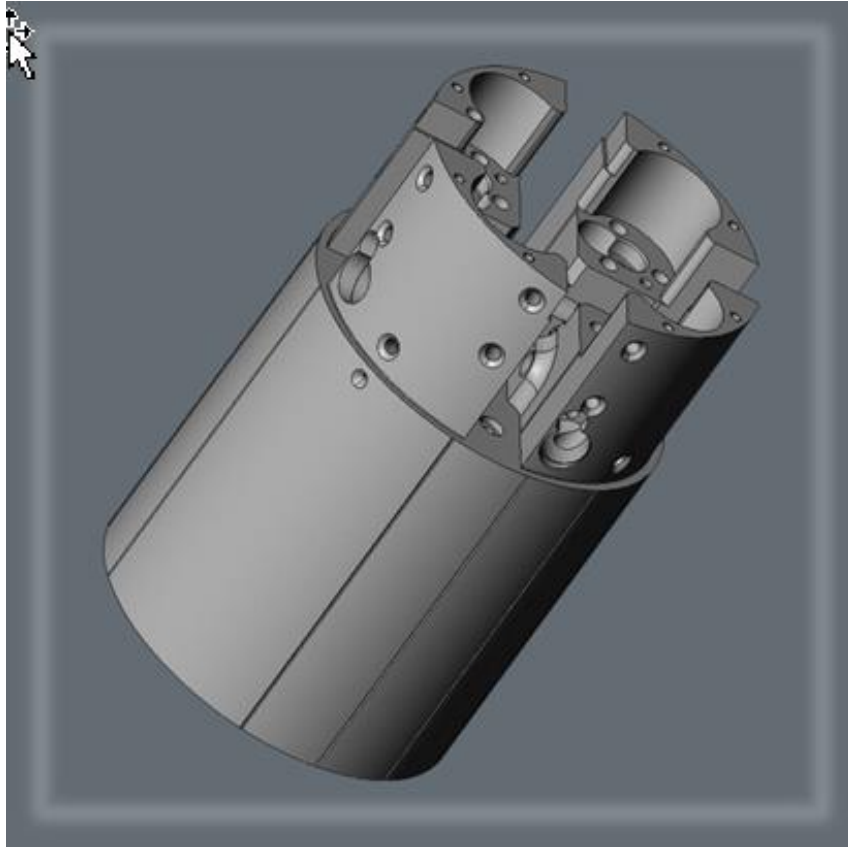


1 Part  
'could cost'

- DFMA estimate \$25
- Assembly time 0 sec
- Expected Price \$35

Annual Savings = \$261k

# Concept / Process selection



**Machined as designed**      **\$780- 975**  
**each**

**Machined Design changes**      **\$455-650**  
**each**

**Investment cast/ CNC**      **\$135 each**

**Metal Injection Molded**      **\$160 each**  
**/ CNC**



## DFA Customized Operation Libraries

DFMA Libraries are a storage mechanism for customized-operations.

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No.	Type	Name	Comment
1	<b>Category</b>	<b>Example: CORE Operation library</b>	
2	Misc Op	MTM: Place approximate ≤ 8 in	MTM:PA1
3	Assembly Op	AA1 g&p_2lbs_easy_app_code1	MTM-AA1 ≤8 in get and place command
4	<b>Category</b>	<b>Ex: Standard Macro library</b>	
5	Assembly Op	Typing process function	Macro: Key strokes, looks, reads combined
6	Assembly Op	Detrash operations	Macro: Various detrash operations
7	<b>Category</b>	<b>Ex: Specific Macro library</b>	
8	Assembly Op	Desk side pick to light process	Macro: time to pick-to-light all necessary objects
9	Assembly Op	Wrapping machine	Macro: Time to wrap 1 cab using machine
10	<b>Category</b>	<b>Ex: Standard Process Library</b>	
11	Assembly Op	Deskside Final test time	B&D:sidefinl.dfa Deskside final test time
12	Assembly Op	Deskside Packing process	B&D:sidepack.dfa Deskside drawer packing p

## B&D Design Analysis

(1) B&D Design Analysis	111.30
- 1.1 (2) Assembly	1
- 2.1 (3) Photo Cell assembly	1
◇ 3.1 Install plastic cover: PN 1	1 4.60
◇ 3.2 Install rubber protector; PN 2	1 4.60
◇ 3.3 Install Photo Cell: PN 3	1 6.10
◇ 3.4 Inst. Back rubber protect PN 4	1 4.60
◇ 2.2 Install LCD: PN 5	1 4.60
◇ 2.3 Install PCA board: PN 6	1 14.40
◇ 2.4 Install Key pad: PN 7	1 4.60
◇ 2.5 Install flex cable: PN 8	1 6.10
◇ 2.6 Install flex cable support:PN9	1 4.60
- 2.7 (4) Install Back of unit	1
◇ 4.1 Place back on unit PN 10	1 6.80
○ 4.2 Screw down back PN 11-17	6 50.30

## B&D Time Standard Tool

(1) Calculator Assembly	235.52
- 1.1 (2) Kitting Operation	1
○ 2.1 Get tote	1 1.80
○ 2.2 Walk to pick face	1 2.88
○ 2.3 Pick part & place in tote	17 21.42
○ 2.4 Check off on paperwork	11 17.82
- 1.2 (3) Deliver units to assembly area	1
○ 3.1 Walk to assembly bench	1 3.78
- 1.3 (4) Assembly	1
- 4.1 (5) Photo Cell assembly	1
◇ 5.1 Install plastic cover: PN 1	1 3.4
◇ 5.2 Install rubber protector; PN 2	1 3.4
◇ 5.3 Install Photo Cell: PN 3	1 4.9
◇ 5.4 Inst. Back rubber protect PN 4	1 3.4
◇ 4.2 Install LCD: PN 5	1 3.45
◇ 4.3 Install PCA board: PN 6	1 7.45
◇ 4.4 Install Key pad: PN 7	1 3.45
◇ 4.5 Install flex cable: PN 8	1 4.95
◇ 4.6 Install flex cable support:PN9	1 3.45
+ 4.7 (6) Install Back of unit	1
- 1.4 (7) Close out paperwork process	1
○ 7.1 Scan serial number	1 5.40
○ 7.2 Get paperwork	1 1.80
○ 7.3 Sign complete name	1 7.92
○ 7.4 Turn page	1 1.51
○ 7.5 Initial paperwork	1 3.96
- 1.5 (8) Test	1
○ 8.1 Check Add button	1 3.37
○ 8.2 Check off on paperwork	1 2.52
○ 8.3 Check Subtract button	1 3.37
○ 8.4 Check off on paperwork	1 2.52
○ 8.5 Check Divide button	1 3.37
○ 8.6 Check off on paperwork	1 2.52
○ 8.7 Check Multiply button	1 3.37
○ 8.8 Check off on paperwork	1 2.52
○ 8.9 Sign off on test	1 7.92
- 1.6 (9) Pack	1
○ 9.1 Place calculator in bag	1 9.72
○ 9.2 Tape the end of the bag	1 5.40
◇ 9.3 Place syrophom sides	2 9.90
○ 9.4 Open box	1 3.96
○ 9.5 Place unit in box	1 2.70
○ 9.6 Close box	1 7.92
○ 9.7 Staple box using foot stapler	1 10.08
○ 1.7 Place paperwork in bin	1 1.80

## Creation Time Historical Results

B&D tool Historical	3 - 1*
MTM-UAS	10 - 1
Most	10 - 1**
MTM-1	40 - 1**

\* Historical data based on total number of systems analyzed over 8 months.

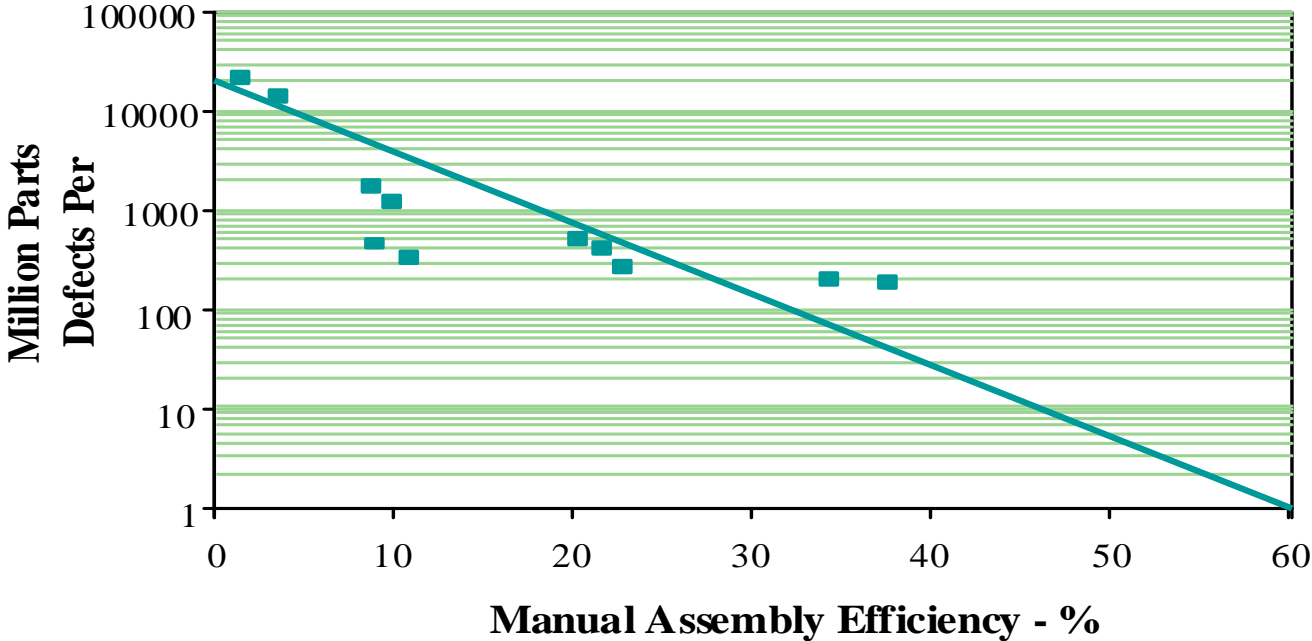
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## Process Time Historical Results

B&D standard tool accuracy with generic macros to within 5-15% of MTM-UAS times.

# Design for Assembly

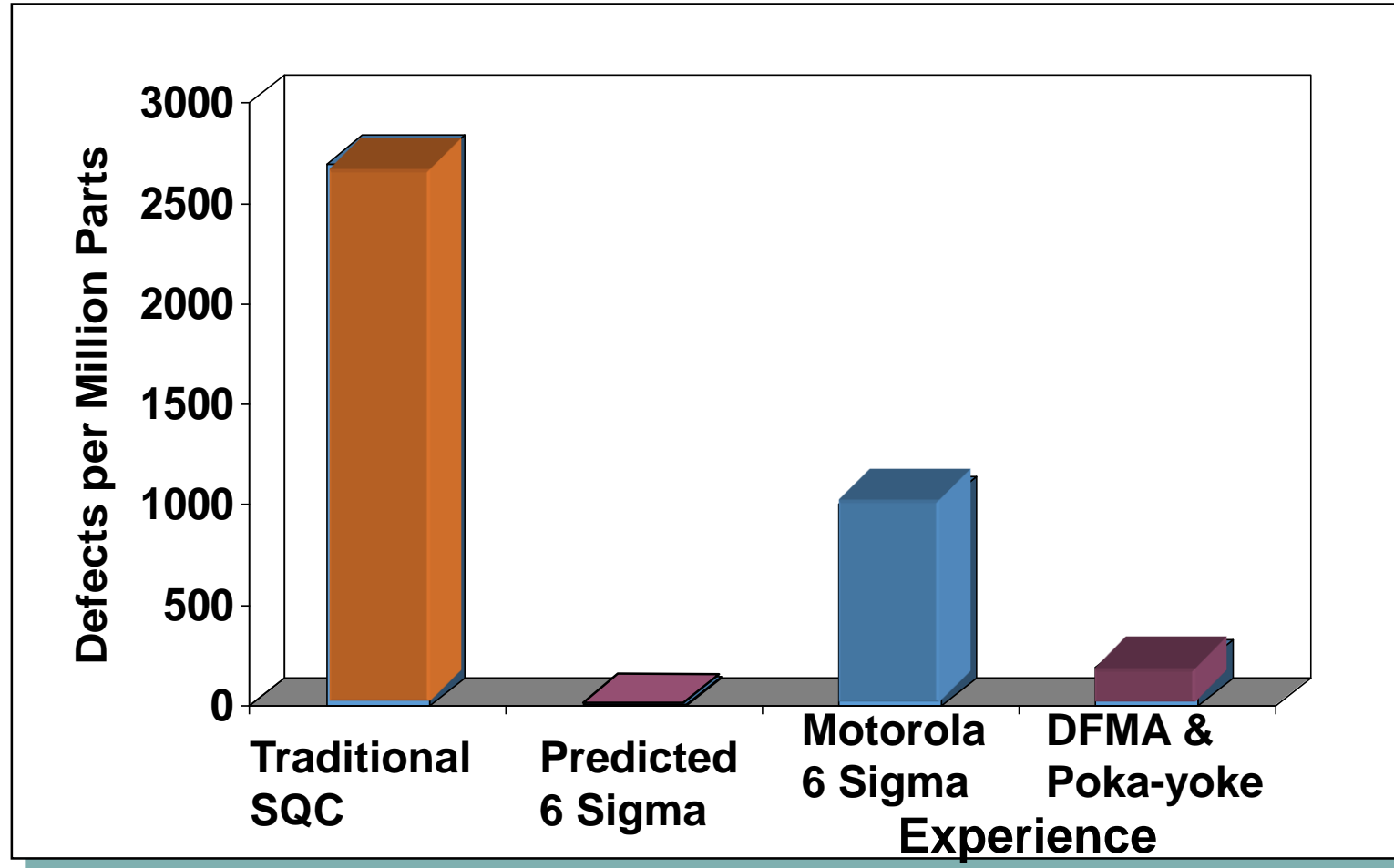
**Product Quality/Assembly Efficiency Correlation**



**Every one second of assembly penalty time causes an average of 100 DPM**

# Quality

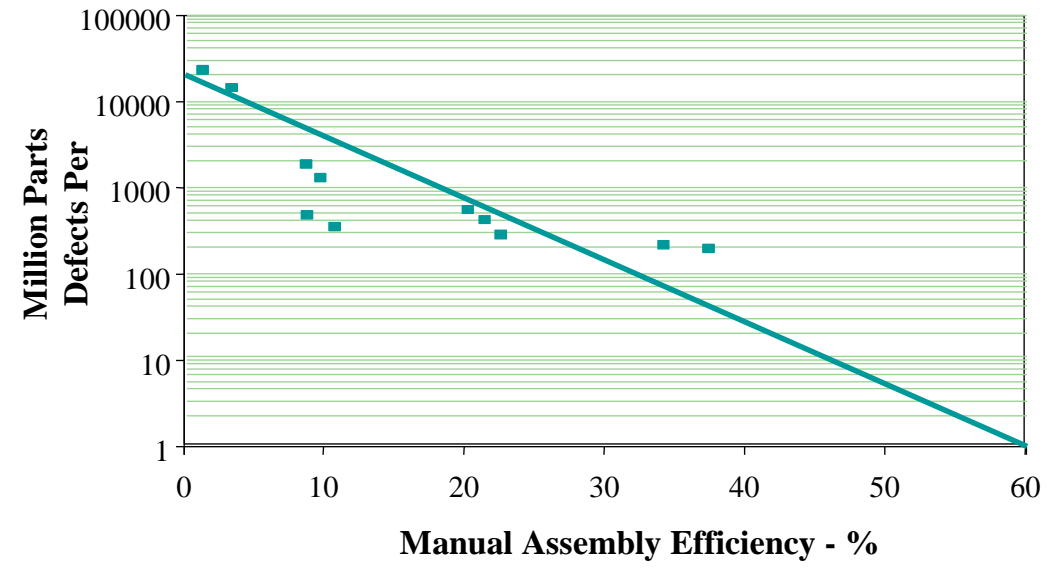
Mistake-proofing achieves superior results, faster, and with less efforts.



# Quality Prediction

## Design for Assembly

Product Quality/Assembly Efficiency Correlation



**DFA Quality Assessor**

DFA Analysis  
File: C:\Dfma\data\MicroCooling.dfa   
Analysis: Original

Assembly Operation Quality  
Assembly defect rate: Typical assembly defect rate  
Assembly defects, per second of assembly time penalty, in 10,000 operations: 1

Item Quality  
Item quality: 6 sigma item quality  
Installed defective items, per million: 3.4

Result Confidence  
Desired confidence interval, percent: 95

Design Quality prediction  
Likely percentage of defective assemblies, prior to final testing: 10.9  
Confidence interval: 10.29 to 11.51

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## Questions

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