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USMC Irregular Warfare Project & Colombia Scenario Application

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Purpose

Present Overview of MCCDC OAD
Irregular Warfare (IW) Project,
IW Conceptual Model, and
Application in an IW Scenario



Agenda

- **OAD IW Project Background & Team**
- **IW Conceptual Model**
- **Pythagoras Agent-Based Model**
- **IW Scenario**
- **Data Development**
- **Analysis results**
- **OAD IW Project Current Efforts**



OAD IW Project Background and Team

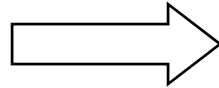
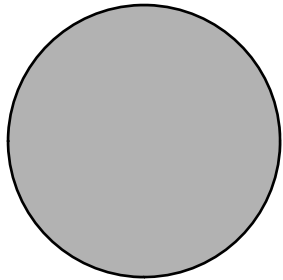
- **April 2006 - IW Project Initiated**
 - Goal: Develop a prototype methodology for analyzing a USMC IW problem in-house
 - Problem definition and conceptual model development
- **Dec 2006 - FM3-24 COIN Manual Published**
 - Population is center of gravity - understand the human terrain
 - Consistent with OAD conceptual model
- **March 2007 - Real-World Scenario Development**
 - Colombia HA/DR scenario
- **May 2007 - Data Elicitation Techniques Explored**
- **OAD IW Team:**
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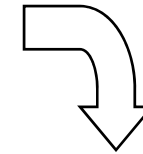
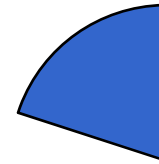
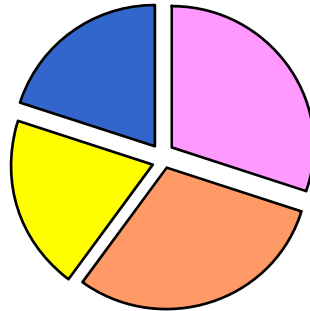
IW Conceptual Model

Individual Population Segments

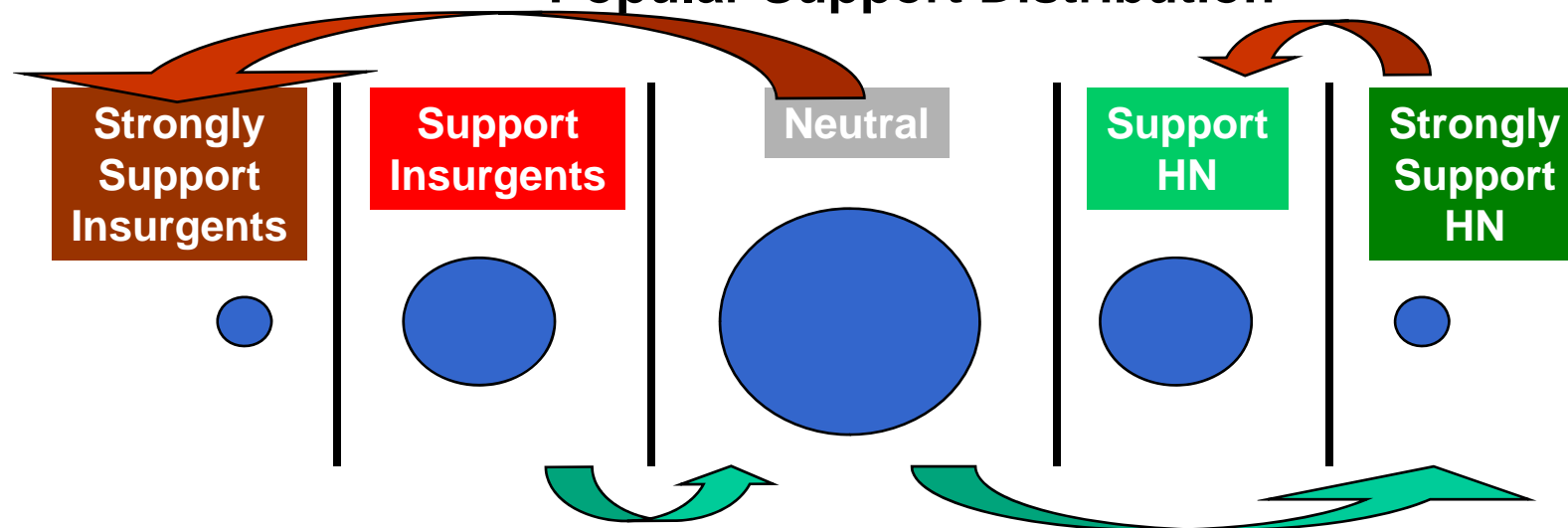
Civilian
Population



Population
Segments



Popular Support Distribution





IW Conceptual Model

Popular Support Transition Matrices

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Transition Matrix Developed for each Population Segment Independently



IW Conceptual Model

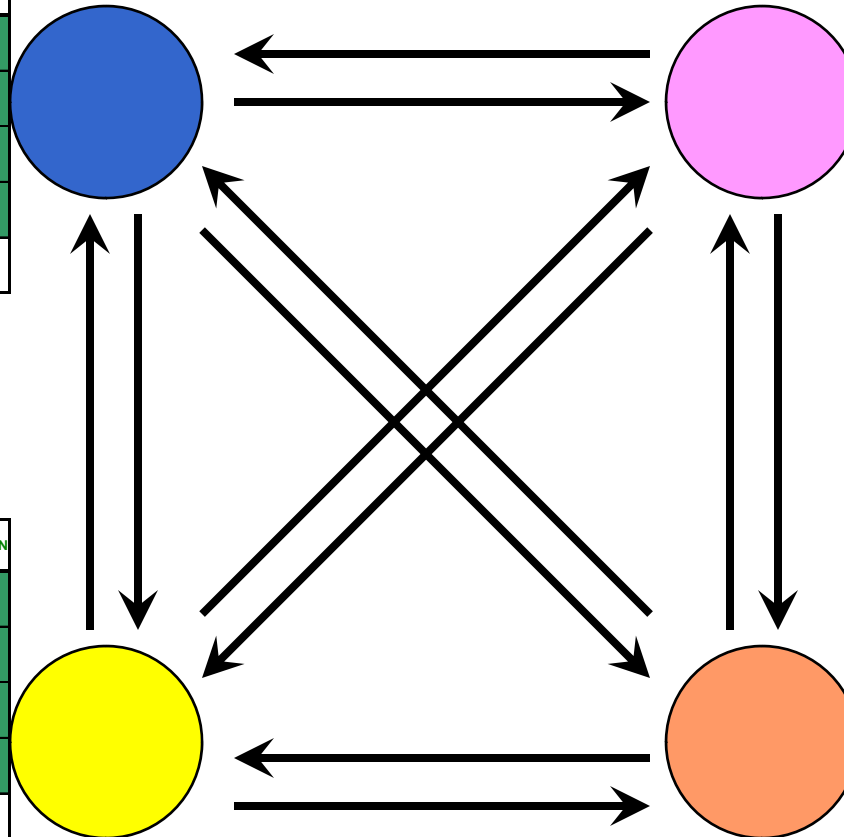
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Transition Matrix Updated Given Influence by Other Population Segments



IW Conceptual Model

Key Data Requirements

1. Population Segment Definitions

For each Population Segment:

- 2. Initial Popular Support Distribution**
- 3. Popular Support Transition Matrix independent of other segments**
- 4. Relative Magnitude and “Direction” of Influence on each other segment**



IW Conceptual Model Instantiation Pythagoras

- **Agent-Based Model**
- **Model Combat Environment**
 - Leadership
 - Human Factors
 - Physics
- **2001 Version 1.0 - part of Project Albert**
- **2002-2008 Users:**
 - MCWL, MCCDC, SOCOM, NPS, TRAC-Monterey, others



IW Scenario

Colombia HA/DR

- Tsunami strikes Buenaventura, Colombia
- MAGTF Mission:
 - Refugee Camp Security
 - Humanitarian Assist & Disaster Relief
- Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) insurgency



Study Question:
Which is the Better Course of Action - Sea-Based or Shore-Based MAGTF?



IW Scenario

Colombia Population Segments

- Illicit Organizations
- Catholic Church
- Police
- Military
- Displaced Persons
- Urban Poor
- Urban Middle Class
- Old Money



Eight Major Population Segments Identified by Subject Matter Experts

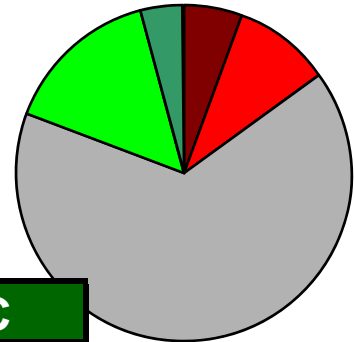


IW Scenario

Popular Support Data Development

- Initial Distribution**

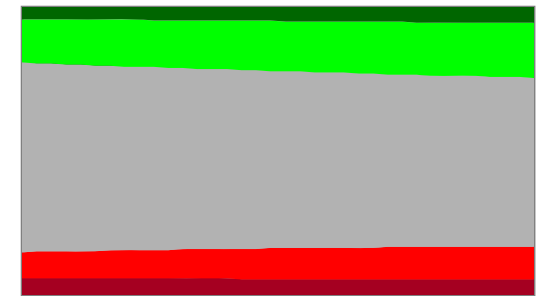
SME - “How do the actions of this population segment support the insurgency (FARC) or the Government of Colombia (GoC)?”



Urban Poor	FARC	Pro-FARC	Neutral	Pro-GoC	GoC
	5.8%	9.2%	65.7%	15.1%	4.2%

- Transition Matrix**

SME - “Given no external influences, over time, how would the actions of this population segment change to support the FARC or the GoC?”



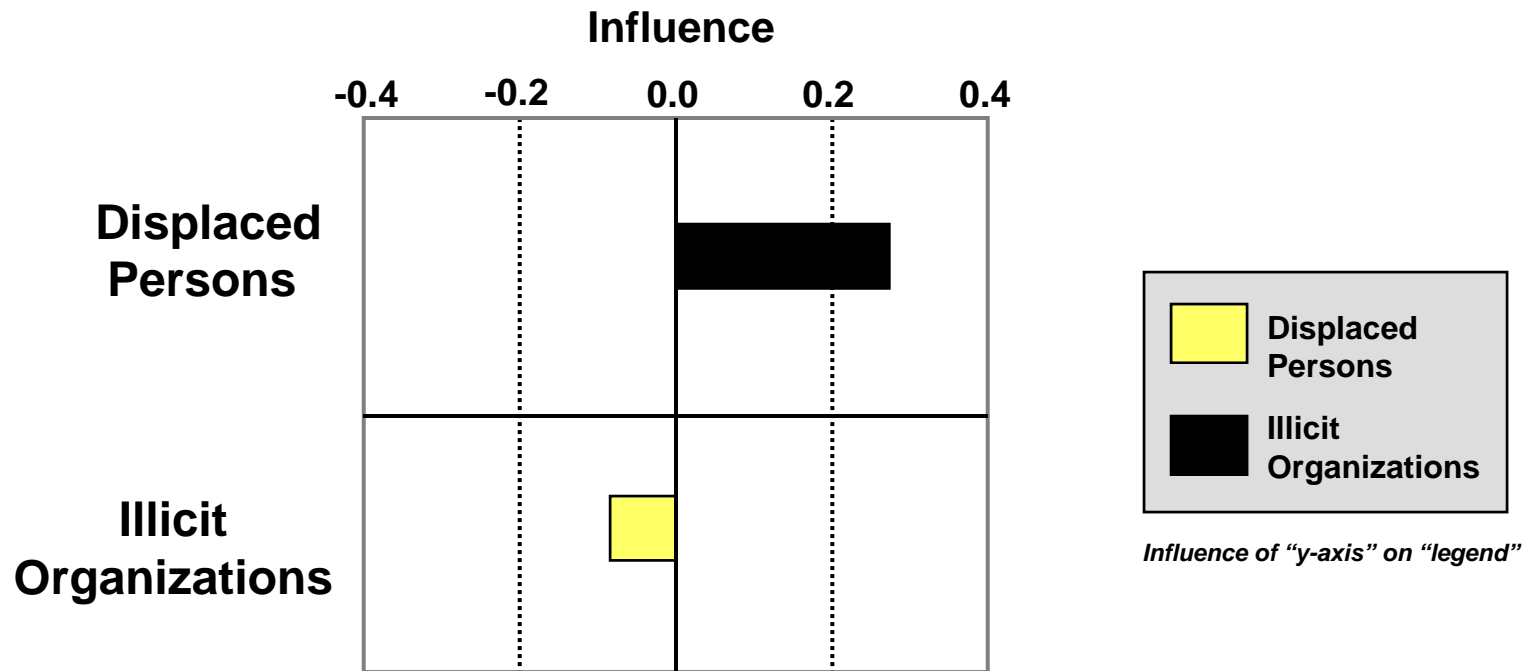
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IW Scenario

Population Segment Influence



***“Semantic Differential”
Data Elicitation Approach Utilized***