#### **GENERAL DYNAMICS**









## Gulfstream

#### 3D Electronic Model Based Type Design

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Leading market positions in Business Aviation and Aircraft Services, Land and Amphibious Combat Systems, Information Systems, and Shipbuilding and Marine Systems

### Our Business and Our Strategy

Gulfstream sets the World Standard in Business Aviation

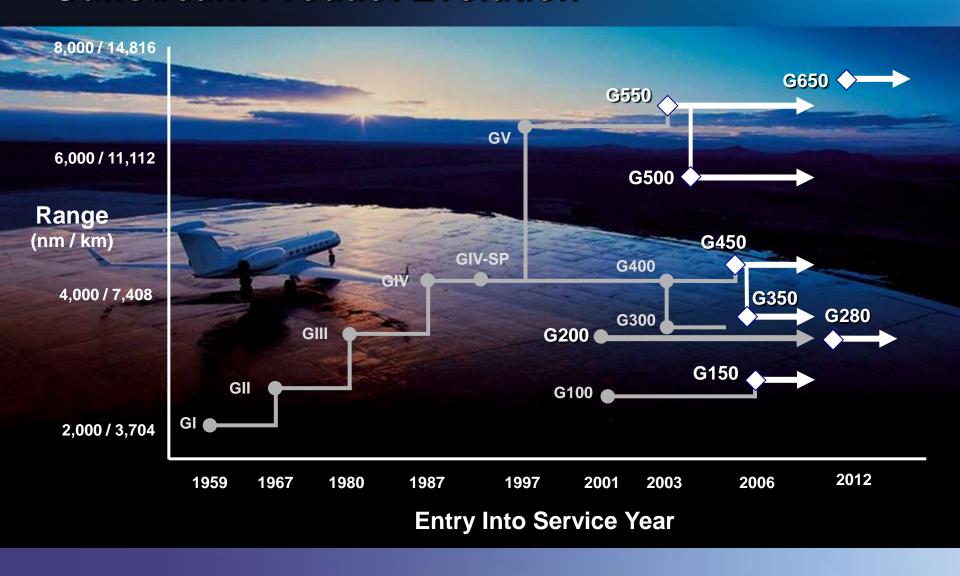
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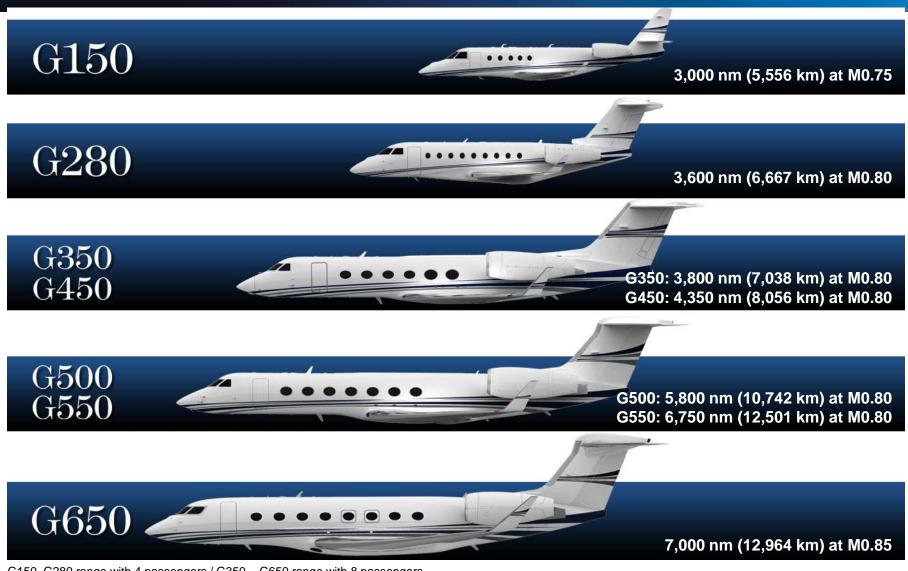
- **Comfort & In-Flight Productivity**
- Safety & Security
- **Reliability & Exceptional Quality**
- **Unmatched Product Support**



#### **Gulfstream Product Evolution**



#### **Gulfstream Product Line**



G150, G280 range with 4 passengers / G350 – G650 range with 8 passengers G150 shown with optional Enhanced Vision System (EVS)



#### **Gulfstream Current Manufacturing Facilities**

Nearly 4.8 million total square footage with more than 11,500 employees



### 3D Model Based Type Design (MBTD)

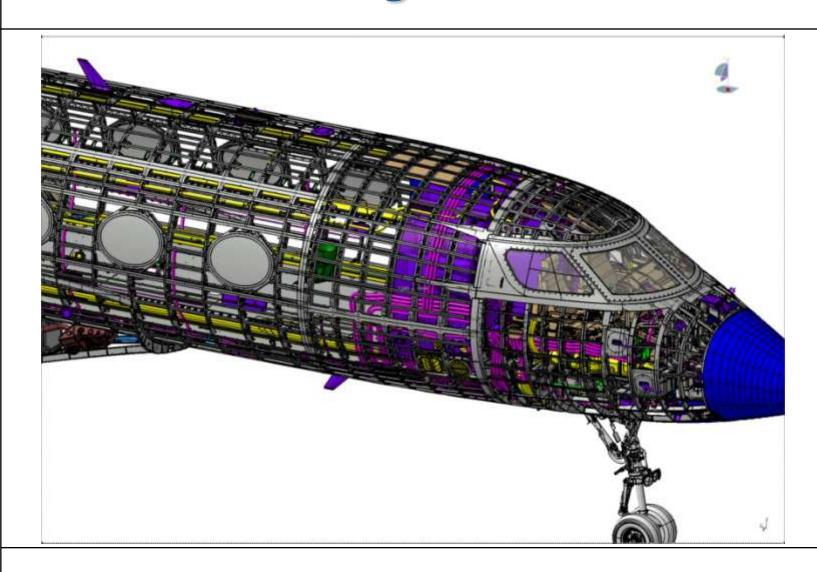
- Gulfstream's approach to outfitting an aircraft had historically been low volume, highly custom, hand built interiors
  - Relied on highly skilled craftsmen to interpret engineering drawings with limited content
- As sales increased, a significant change to the business model / process was needed to support higher volume production
- Developed and FAA-certified the industry's first, and currently only, electronic 3D MBTD system
- 3D MBTD approach used to design and manufacture our flagship product, the G650

### What is 3D MBTD?

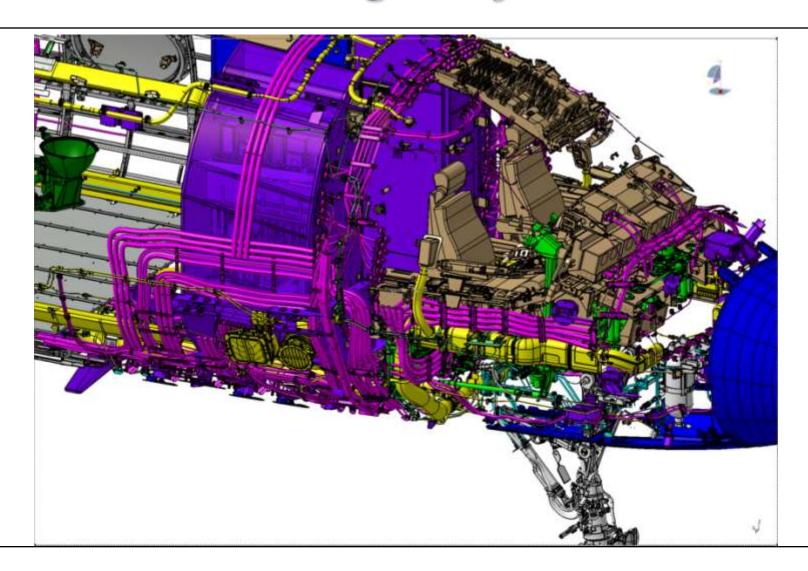
- True 3D electronic representation of the aircraft
  - Includes fasteners, hardware, veneer, hoses, etc.
- Deployed to all users in the process
  - Engineering, Manufacturing, Quality, Purchasing, Product Support, etc.
  - ¬ Supply Base
- Relies on geometry versus text
  - No dimensions on the models
  - Users interrogate models for relevant dimensional information

#### Eliminates paper, design ambiguity and many costs

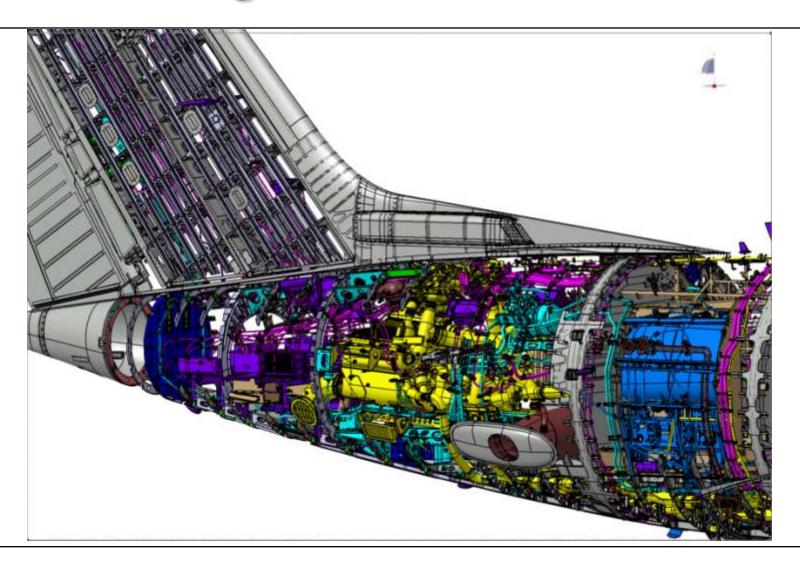
# **Forward Fuselage**



# Forward Fuselage - Systems



# **Aft Fuselage**



## Catia On The Shop Floor



Underestimated how quickly the technicians would adapt to 3D MBTD

## Other Key Initiatives with 3D MBTD

- Standard Parts
  - ¬ G650 greater than 50% reduction in parts and part numbers
  - → Outfitting clips, angles and brackets reduced from 400 500 to 6
- Configuration by aircraft in 3D
- Highly accurate, on demand BOM's
- Extensive use of NC manufacturing
- Precision Manufacturing

#### Electronic 3D Model Based environment is an "enabler"

## Things to Consider with 3D MBTD

- Life of the Product Life of the Data
  - Aircraft have a 50 75 year life cycle, so the data must "live" for a very long time
  - Software and hardware will continue to evolve during the life of the product
    - How will V5 data work with Vxx?
    - What happens if the software company goes out of business?
    - What hardware will we be using 50 years from now?
  - Data goes corrupt
    - How do you know?
    - How does the user know?

### 3D MBTD – Integrity, Consistency and Accessibility

- Gulfstream has developed tools, process and procedures to deal with the data issues
  - Data is checked at the bit / byte level every 24 hours
    - We know when data goes corrupt / missing
  - Rigorous process to verify data prior to an upgrade
    - Verify topology and metadata
  - Released content supported by international standards
    - Allows us to move data in and out of applications
  - Managed hardware and software environment
    - Rigorous process to verify applications before they are added to the environment

## Impact to the Business

- Final Phase (Outfitting)
  - Significant reduction in total costs and cycle time
- Initial Phase (G650)
  - Greater than 50% reduction in parts and part numbers
  - Initial build results have exceeded expectations
    - Barrel joining
    - Wing to fuselage fit
    - Wing to body fairing fit

# **Barrel Joining**



# Wing to Fuselage Join



# Wing to Body Fairing



# **Key Takeaway**

 Electronic 3D MBTD is a very "powerful" business model, but you must be aware of, and address the issues with the data, hardware and software

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