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Introduction

- SVP Drifter Life & Performance
 - Constantly Monitored
- Discover Potential Weaknesses
 - Design Iterations
- Technological Improvements
 - Calculated Advancements



SVP Hemisphere Design



- Serviceable
- Versatile

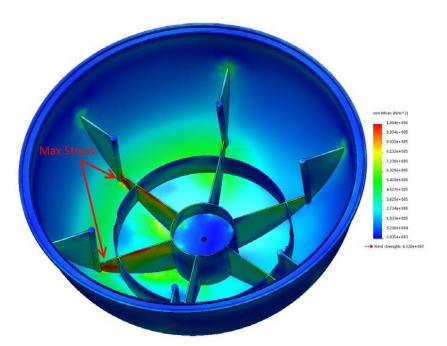




Simulation Verification

- Finite Element Analysis (FEA)
 - Model drifter's environment
 - Stress concentrations
 - Deflections
 - Fatigue Life

- Recovered Drifters
 - No evidence of breached hull
 - Empirical evidence supports simulation results



Deployment Impact Stress Analysis



Drifter Recovered after grounding on rocky shore of Japan

Drogue Loss – Part 1

- Suspected Mode of Failure = Tether
- Response
 - Increase Diameter
 - Improvement from smaller tether but observe premature failure
 - Synthetic Line
 - Improvement from larger tether but observe premature failure

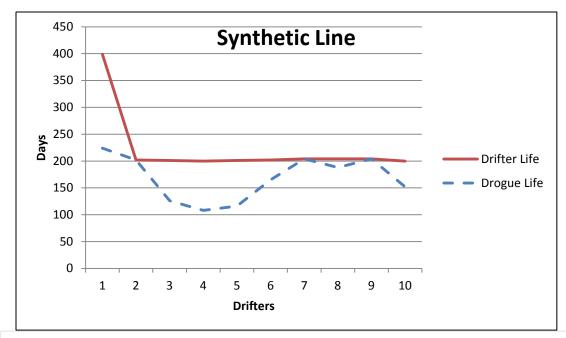






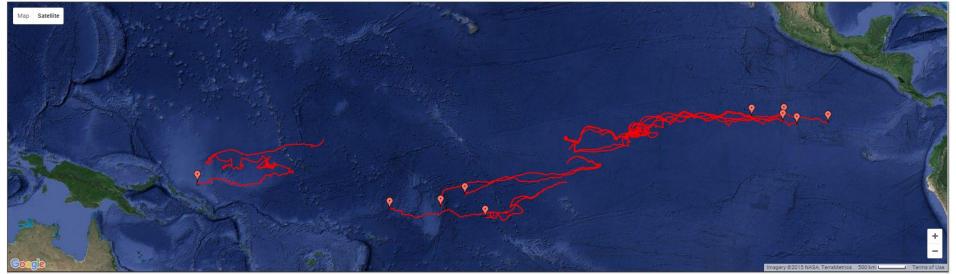
Broken 1/8" Spacelay Tether

Synthetic Line Application



10 Drifters over 200 days

- 70% with drogue loss
- Average Drogue loss at 169 days



Drogue Loss – Part 2

- Suspected Mode of Failure = Bridle
- Response

Interim Solution - Reinforce bridle with Urethane

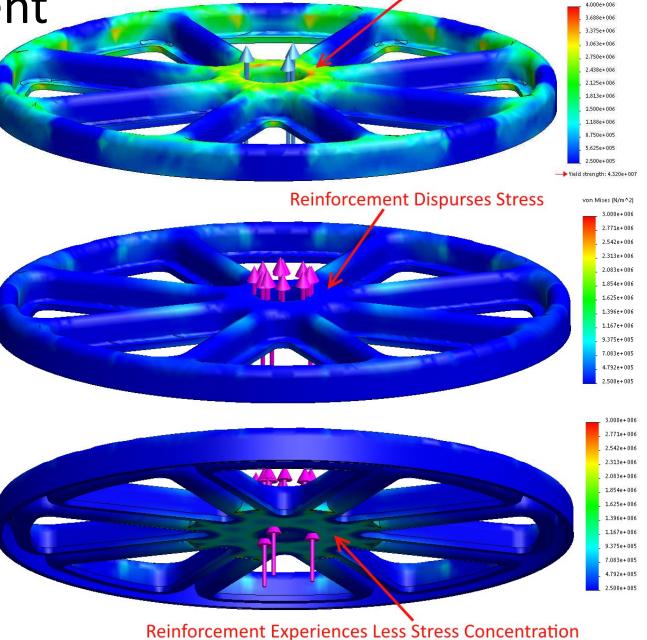
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Finite Element Analysis

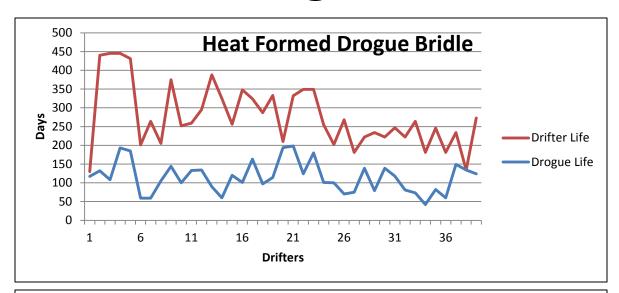
- Non-reinforced
 - Max Stress = 10%of ABS BreakStrength
- Reinforced
 - Max Stress = 7% of reinforcement material Break Strength
- Reinforcement
 Projected to
 Increase Life
 Expectancy by 280%



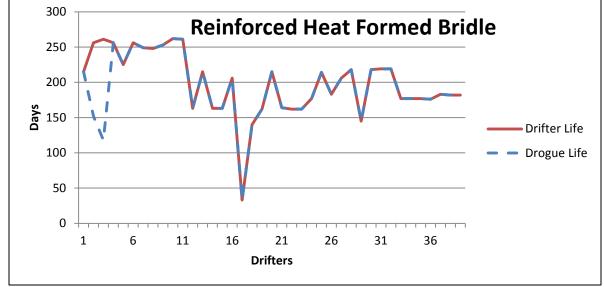
Max Stress

von Mises (N/m^2)

Drogue Bridle Results

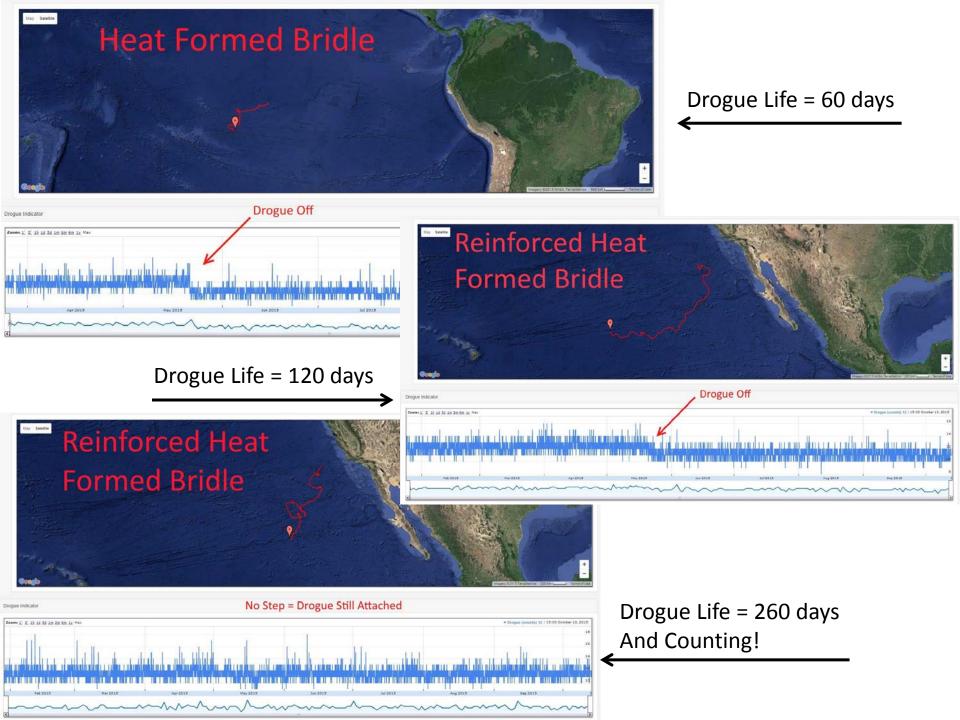


Average Drogue Life = 115 days



Average Drogue Life = 192 days

• 167% Increase and rising



Closing Remarks

- Isolated Changes
- Encourage CAD & FEA
 - Discover weaknesses
 - Improve designs

Potential Problem	Solution	Results
Tether	Increase Diameter	 Increased Drogue Life No indication of tether failure Still underperforming
	Synthetic Line	
Bridle	Reinforce	❖ Increased Drogue Life by 167%+
	Injection Mold	Design in progress