# Finding The Balance In Standard Bus Designs

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### **Purpose**

- Standardization techniques
  - Requirements versus size
- Impacts on mission performance and utility
- Levels of standardization
- Lessons learned

Level	Standardization	Typical Drivers
Architecture	Mission interface - Space to ground interface - Space to space interface	Customer
Spacecraft	Bus, payload interface, launch interface	Prime Contractor
Subsystem	Algorithms, specifications, electrical interface, mechanical interface	Major Subcontractor
Component	Electrical interface, mechanical interface, performance	Subcontractor
Piece-part	Performance, form factor	Manufacturer

# Mission and Funding Analyses



- Drivers
  - Market
  - Funding
  - Mission requirements
- Optimization
  - Utility versus cost
  - Utility versus mission requirements

#### Standardization Sacrifices



- Initial investments
- Performance
- System versus subsystem level
- Manufacturing
- Logistics



## **Proposed Solutions**

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- Quantity buys
- Contractor size
- Responsive development
  - Acquisition strategies

#### **Benefits**



- Technology advancements
- Rapid development
  - Block buys
- Training

There is a delicate balance between performance, risk and cost to achieve Mission Success

