

# *Enterprise Architecture Frameworks*

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## ***Chapter 3: Enterprise Architecture Frameworks***

- Enterprise Architecture Frameworks
- Zachman Enterprise Ontology
- TOGAF
- ArchiMate
- Best Practice Architecture



## Enterprise Architecture

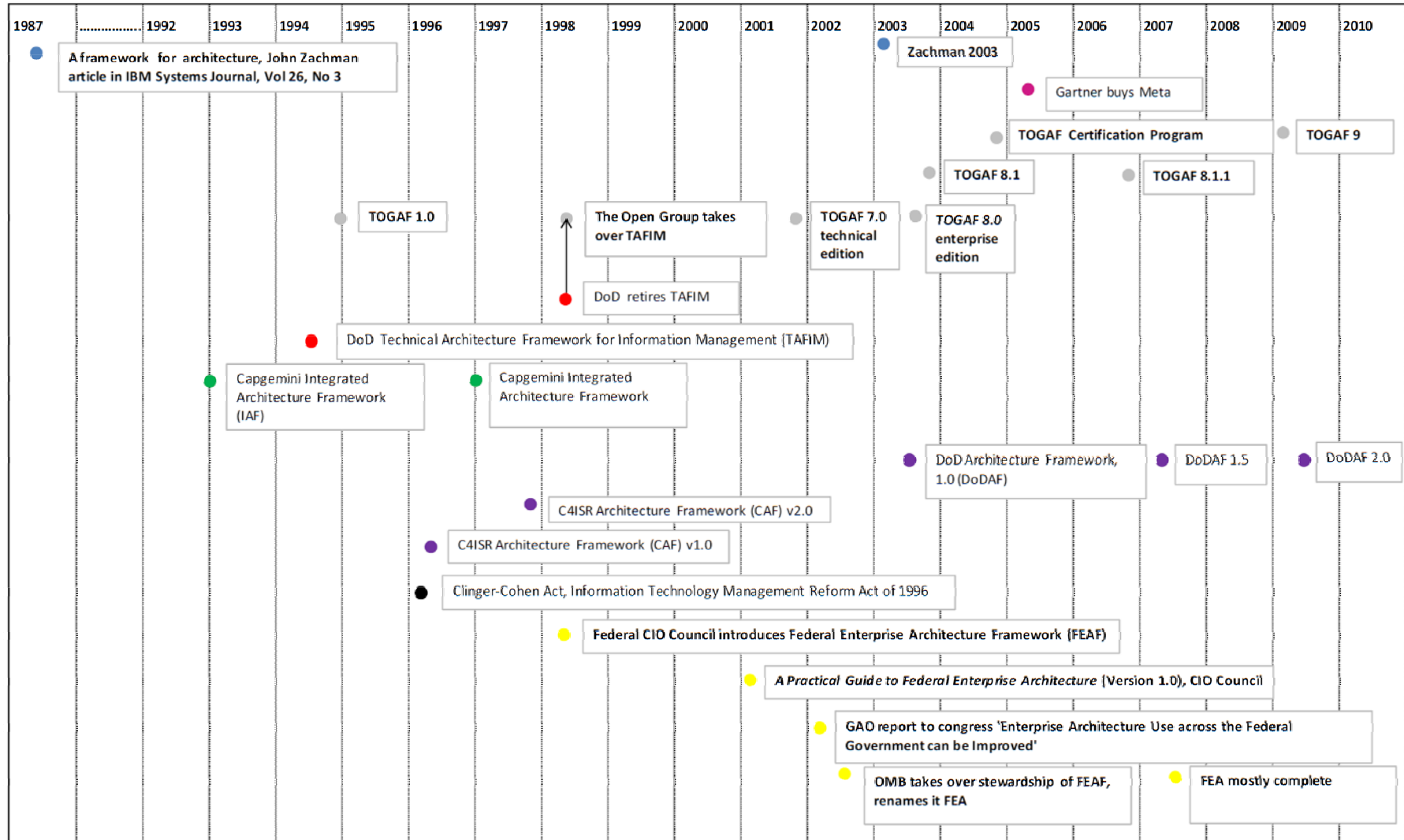
- **An Enterprise Architecture** is a coherent whole of principles, methods, and models that are used in the design and realisation of an enterprise's organisational structure, business processes, information systems, and infrastructure
- An Enterprise Architecture contains all *relevant*
  - ◆ Business structures
  - ◆ IT structures
  - ◆ and their relationships
- Enterprise Architecture gives an overall view on the enterprise
  - ◆ merge distributed information from various organisational entities and projects into a whole
  - ◆ show the interconnectedness and dependencies between these information
- Show which information systems contribute to which business processes.



## *Enterprise Architecture Frameworks*

- There are a number of Enterprise Architecture Frameworks
- We can distinguish to main types of structures:
  - ◆ Matrix of aspects and perspectives, e.g.
    - ***Zachmann Enterprise Architecture Framework***
      - An enterprise Ontology
  - ◆ Three layer architecture with business, applications and technology
    - ***TOGAF - The Open Group Architecture Framework***
      - A methodology for Enterprise Architecture Development
    - ***ArchiMate***
      - A graphcial language for Enterprise Architecture Descriptipion
    - ***Best Practice Enterprise Architecture***

# Timeline of Enterprise Architecture



(Bespoke Systems 2012)



# ***THE ZACHMAN FRAMEWORK***

## ***Zachman Framework***

- The Zachman framework is regarded the origin of enterprise architecture frameworks (although originally called "Framework for Information Systems Architecture")
- John A. Zachman published the first version in 1987
- It is still further developed by Zachman International (<http://www.zachman.com>)
- The Framework is often referenced as a standard approach for expressing the basic elements of enterprise architecture
- The framework is a logical structure for classifying and organising the descriptive representations of an enterprise

## *Rationale of the Zachman Architecture*

- There is not a single descriptive representation for a complex object ... there is a SET of descriptive representations.
- Descriptive representations (of anything) typically include :

### **Abstractions:**

☼ Bills of Material	(What)
☼ Functional Specs	(How)
☼ Drawings	(Where)
☼ Operating Instructions	(Who)
☼ Timing Diagrams	(When)
☼ Design Objectives	(Why)

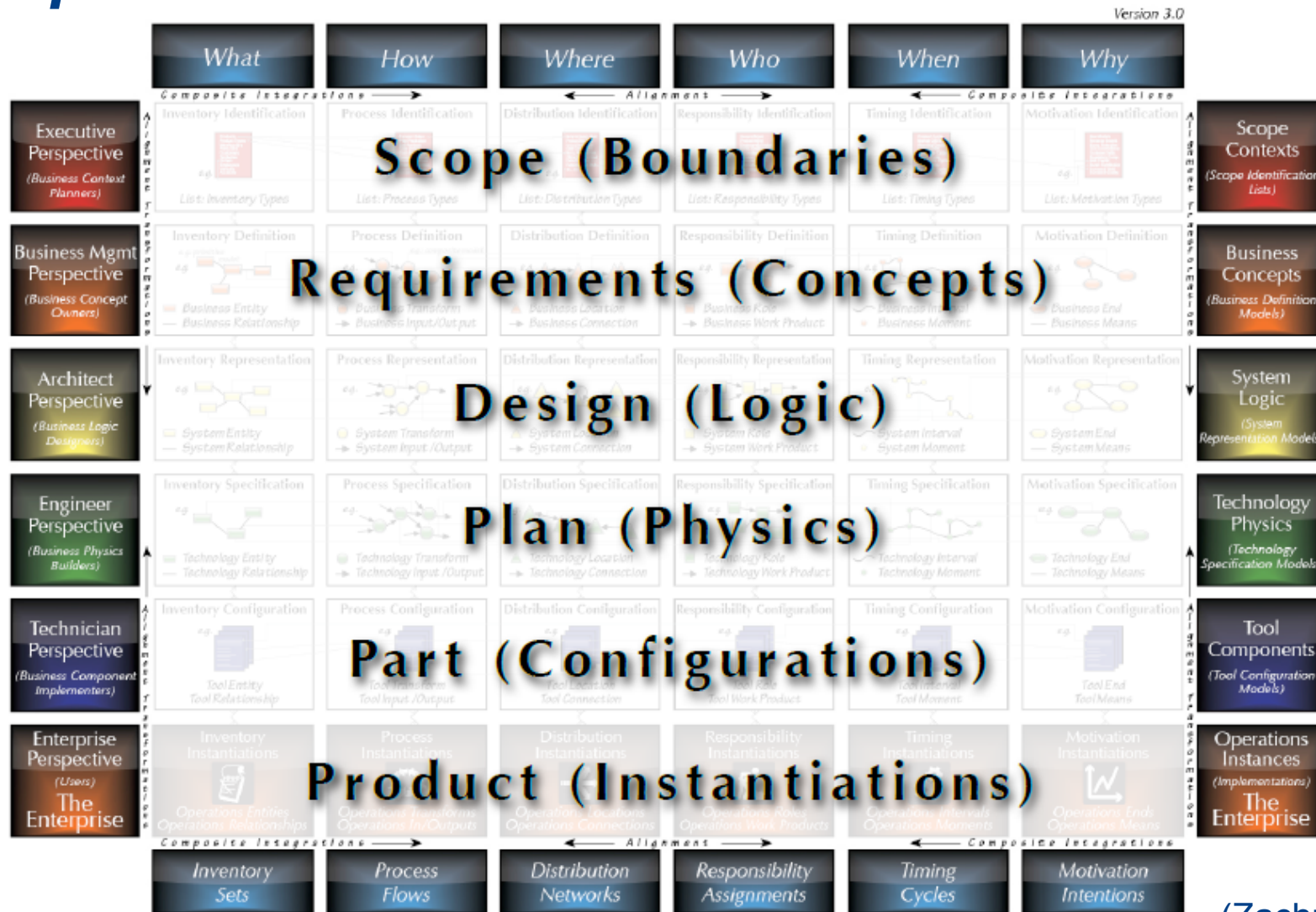
### **as well as Perspectives:**

☼ Scoping Boundaries	(Planners)
☼ Requirement Concepts	(Owners)
☼ Design Logic	(Designers)
☼ Plan Physics	(Builders)
☼ Part Configurations	(Implementers)
☼ Product Instances	(Operators)

(Zachman 2012)



# Perspectives



(Zachman 2012)

## ***Dimension 1 – Perspectives***

Zachman originally used the analogy of classical architecture

For the different stakeholders different aspects of a building are relevant - models of the building from different perspectives

**Bubble charts:** conceptual representation delivered by the architect

**Architect's drawing:** transcription of the owner's perceptual requirements – *owner's perspective*

**Architect's plans:** translation of the owner's requirements into a product – *designer's perspective*

**Contractor's plans:** phases of operation, architect's plans constrained by nature and technology – *builder's perspective*

**Shop plans:** parts/sections/components of building details (out-of-context specification) – *subcontractor's perspective*

**The building:** physical building itself

(Zachman 1987)



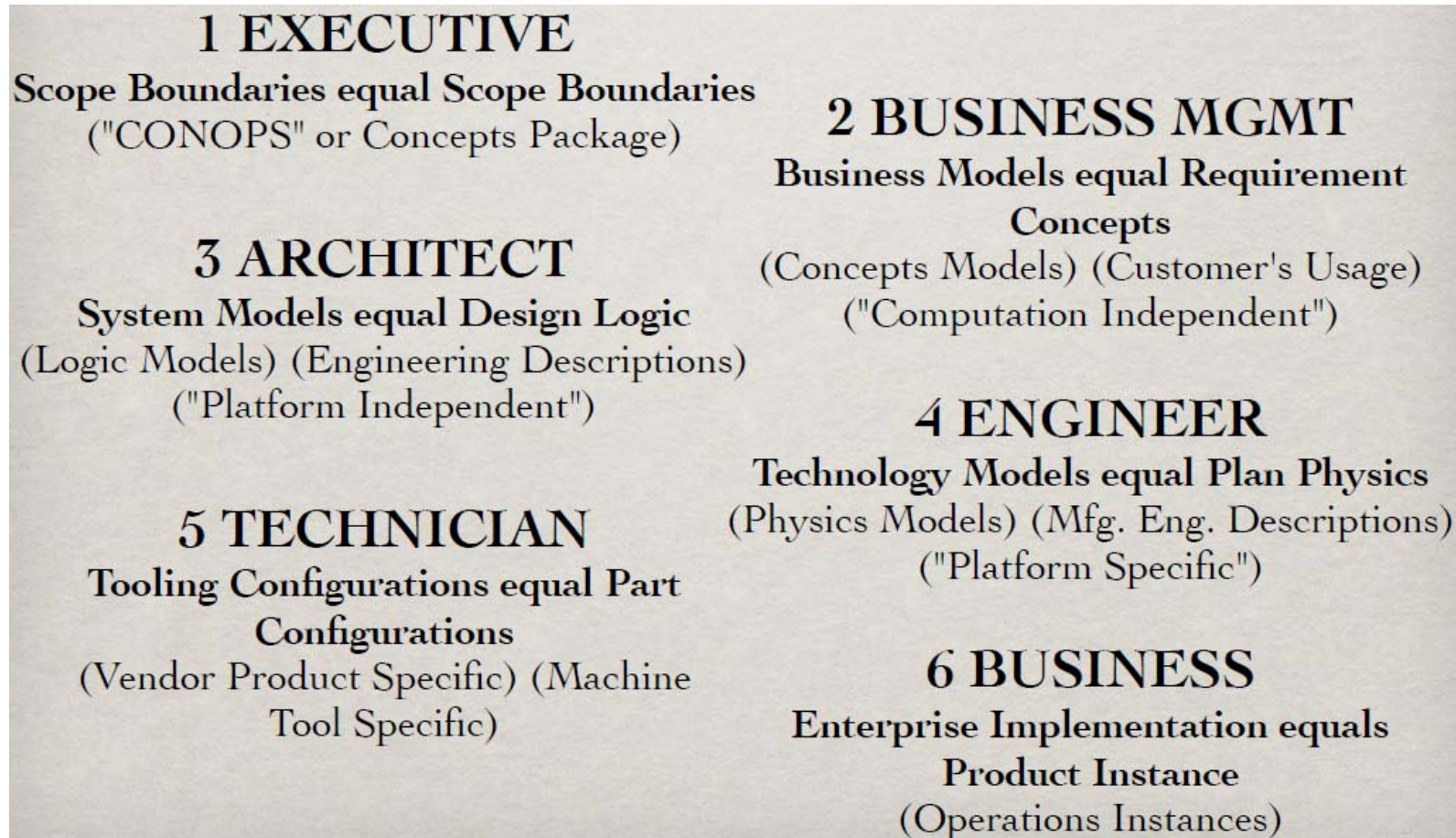
## *Dimension 1: Architectural Representations with analogies in Building and Information Systems*

<b>Generic</b>	<b>Buildings</b>	<b>Information Systems</b>
Ballpark	Bubble charts	Scope/objectives
Owner's representation	Architect's drawings	Model of the business (or business description)
Designer's representation	Architect's plans	Model of the information system (or information system description)
Builder's representation	Contractor's plans	Technology model (or technology-constrained description)
Out-of-context representation	Shop plans	Detailed description
Machine language representation	—	Machine language description (or object code)
Product	Building	Information system

(Zachman 1987)

## Perspectives in Enterprise Architecture

The total set of descriptions would necessarily have to include **Perspectives**:



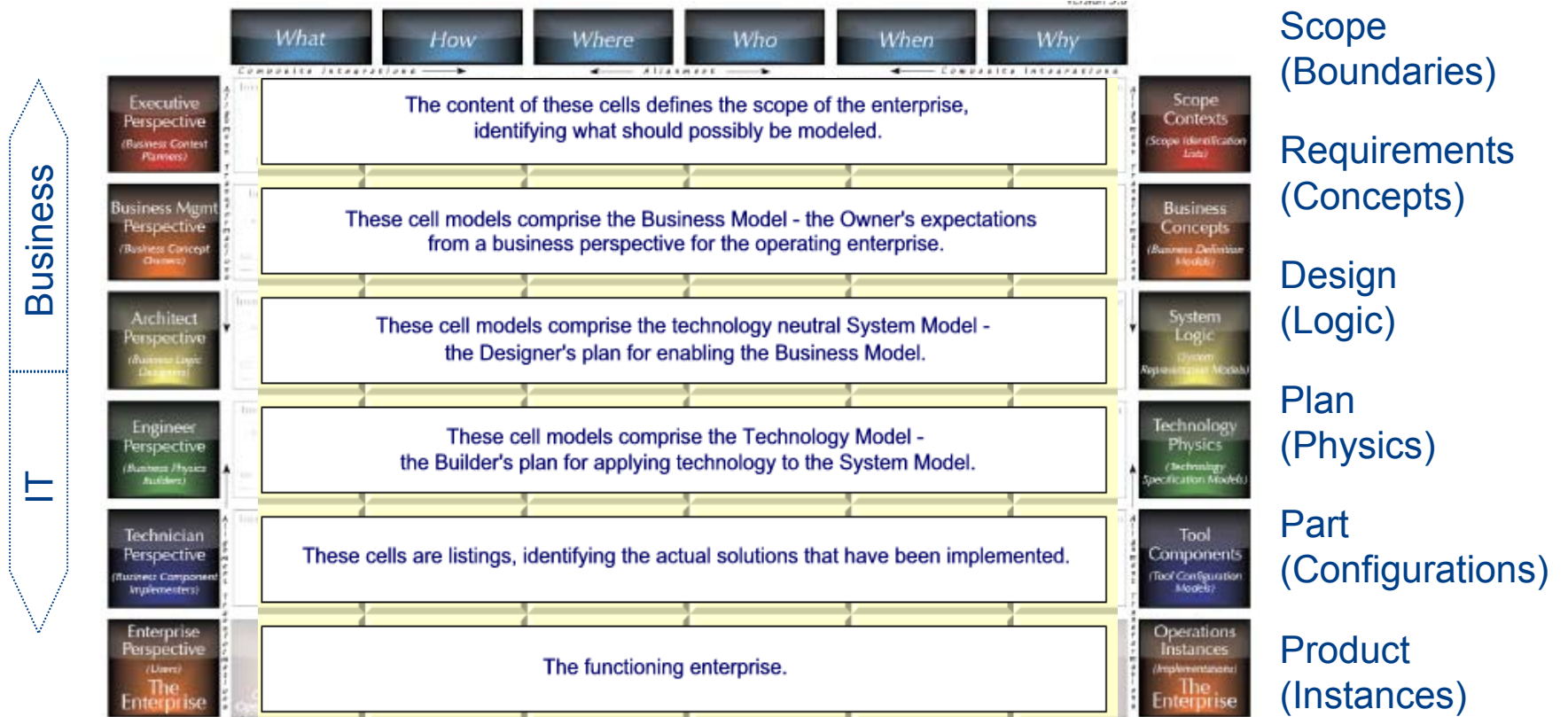
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# Perspectives



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# n|w Perspectives



- Each row is different in nature, in content, in semantics from the others – representing different perspectives
- Representations do not correspond to different levels of details – level of detail is an independent variable, varying within one representation

## ***Dimension 2: Aspects of an Architecture***

- There exist different types of descriptions oriented to different aspects
- Zachman associates each aspect with question word
  - WHAT material description
  - HOW functional description
  - WHERE location description
  - WHO organisational description
  - WHEN temporal description
  - WHY motivational description

(Zachman 1987)

# Abstractions




(Zachman 2012)



# ***Abstractions in Enterprise Architecture***

The total set of descriptions would necessarily have to include **Abstractions**:



<p><b>1 WHAT</b> Inventory Models equal Bills of Materials (Entity Models and Data Models ARE Bills of Material)</p>	<p><b>2 HOW</b> Process Models equal Functional Specs (Transformation Models)</p>
<p><b>3 WHERE</b> Distribution Models equal Drawings (Geographic Models) (Network Models) (Geometry)</p>	<p><b>4 WHO</b> Responsibility Models equal Operating Instructions (Work Flow Models) (Presentation Architecture)</p>
<p><b>5 WHEN</b> Timing Models equal Timing Diagrams (Control Structures) (Cyclical Models) (Dynamics Models)</p>	<p><b>6 WHY</b> Motivation Models equal Design Objectives</p>

(Zachman 2012)

# Abstractions



(Zachman 2012)

# The Zachman Framework for Enterprise Architecture

## – Enterprise Ontology

Each cell contains models

### Abstractions/Aspects

### Perspectives

Business  
Information Technology



\*Horizontal integration lines are shown for example purpose only and are not a complete set. Composite, integrative relationships connecting every cell horizontally potentially exist.

# Southwest Airlines

■ For the Southwest Airlines...

... what information can you find to describe the enterprise architecture according to the Zachman Framework

... from the enterprise perspective (scope contexts)



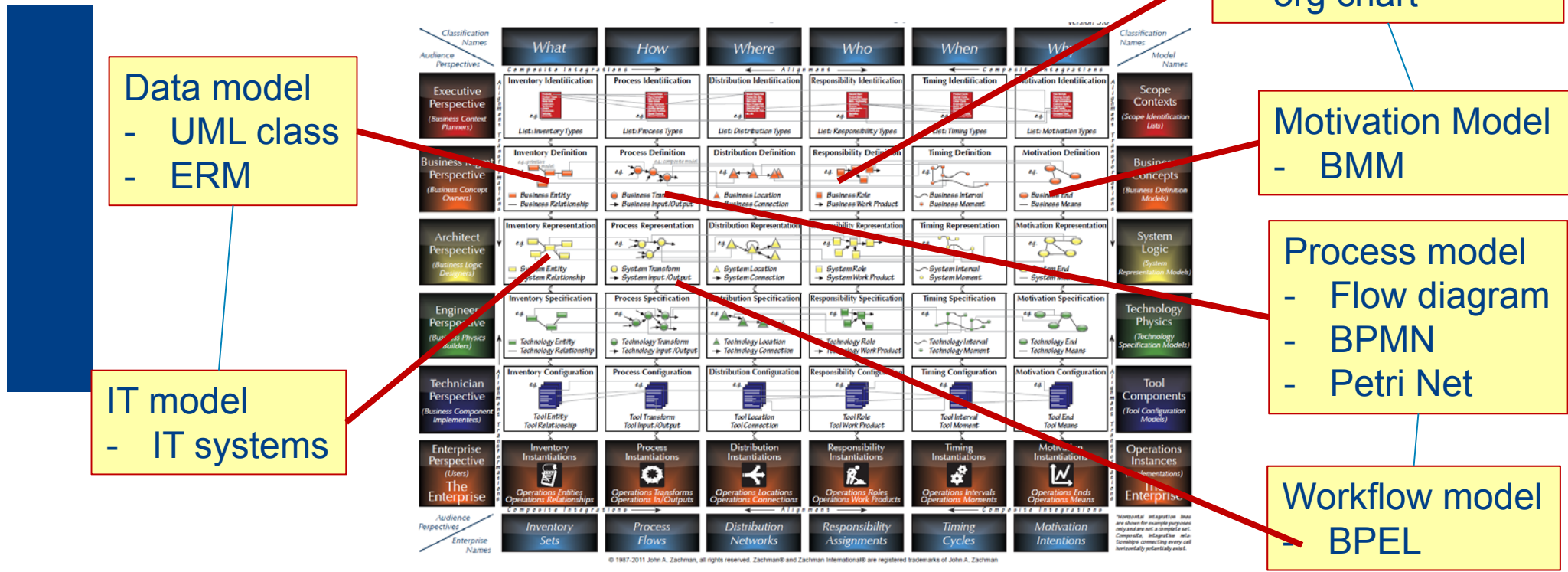
# View and Viewpoints in Zachman Framework

- In the Zachman Framework, viewpoints are classified by perspectives and aspects, i.e. a choice of columns and rows
  - ◆ Example: the "how" and "who" from the "Architects Perspective"
- A view is a set of models of the cells for the corresponding viewpoint (incl. the relationships between the models)



# Model Types in Zachmann

- There are different model kinds for each viewpoint (one model kind per cell)
- There can be different modeling languages to represent a kind of model
- The Architecture Description language consists of the different model kinds used



# Relations between Models and Model Elements



- There are relations between (elements of) the models
- **Horizontal Relations:** In same perspective, e.g.
  - ◆ Data used in a process
  - ◆ Application implementing a process activity
- **Vertical relations:** Between different perspectives
  - ◆ Implementation of an application
  - ◆ Database model for an entity relationship model



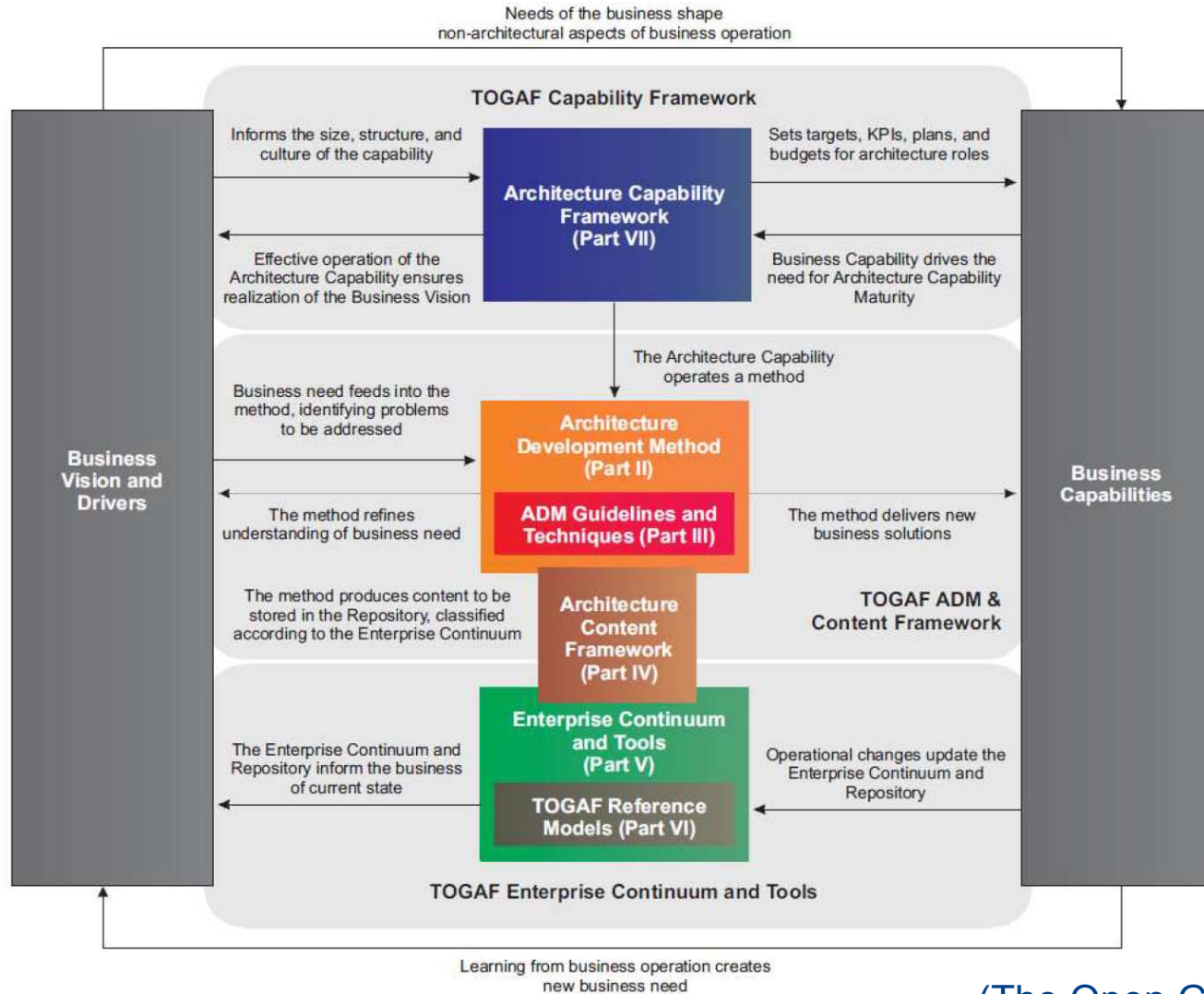
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## ***TOGAF – The Open Group Architecture Framework***

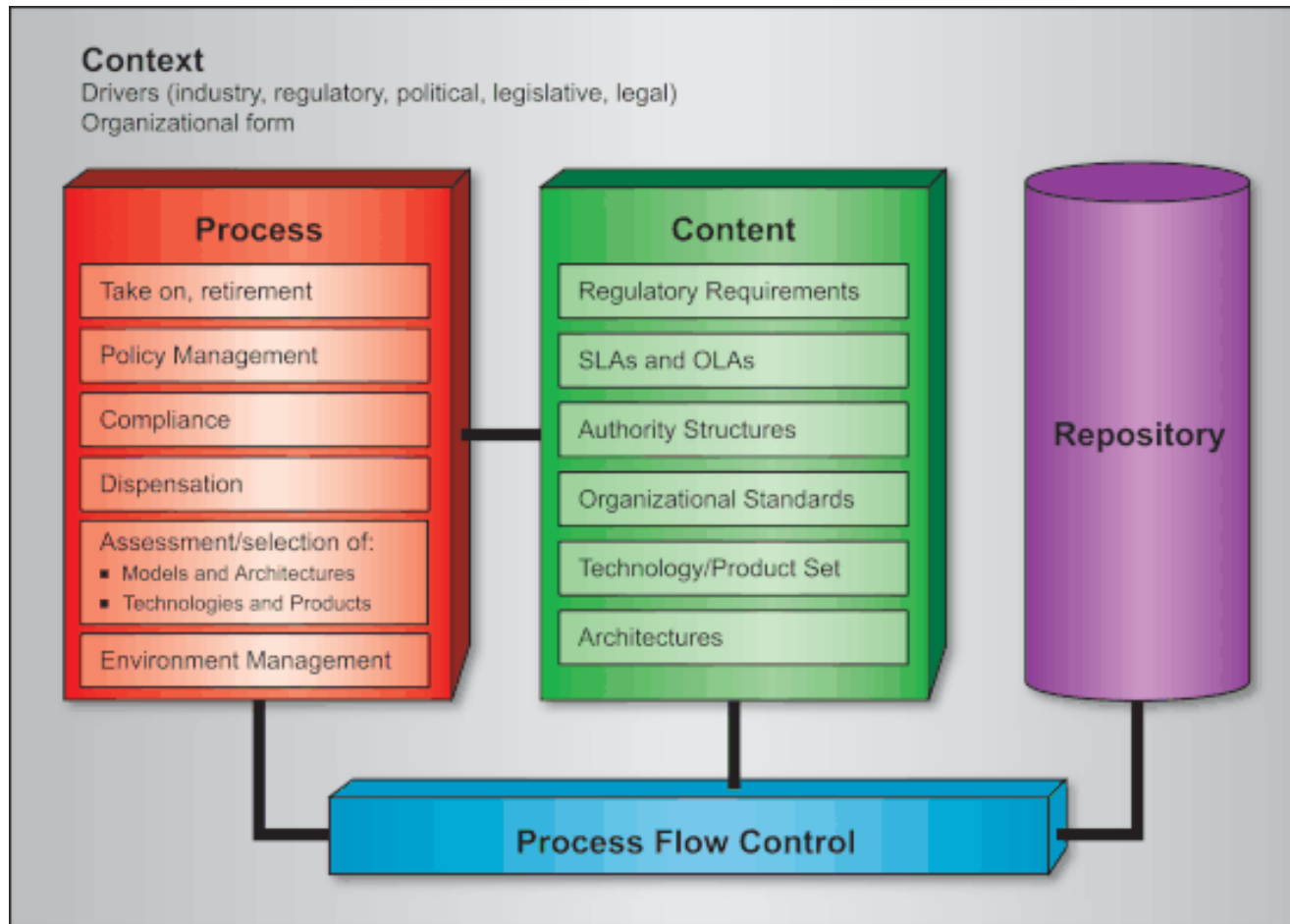
- Developed and continuously evolved since the mid-90's by The Open Group's Architecture Forum
- While Zachman is more an ontology, TOGAF is a methodology
- At the heart of the framework is the Architecture Development Method (ADM)
- <http://www.opengroup.org/togaf/>

# Structure of the TOGAF Document



(The Open Group 2009, p. 4)

# TOGAF Architecture Governance Framework



## TOGAF (Sub-)Architecture Views

- The model of an enterprise architecture described in TOGAF is organised in four partial sub-architectures:

- ◆ **Business Architecture**

- Strategies, governance, organisation and business processes of the enterprise

- ◆ **Data Architecture**

- data and their relations as well as principles for the organisation and the management of resources

- ◆ **Application Architecture**

- information systems and their relations to business processes

- ◆ **Technology Architecture**

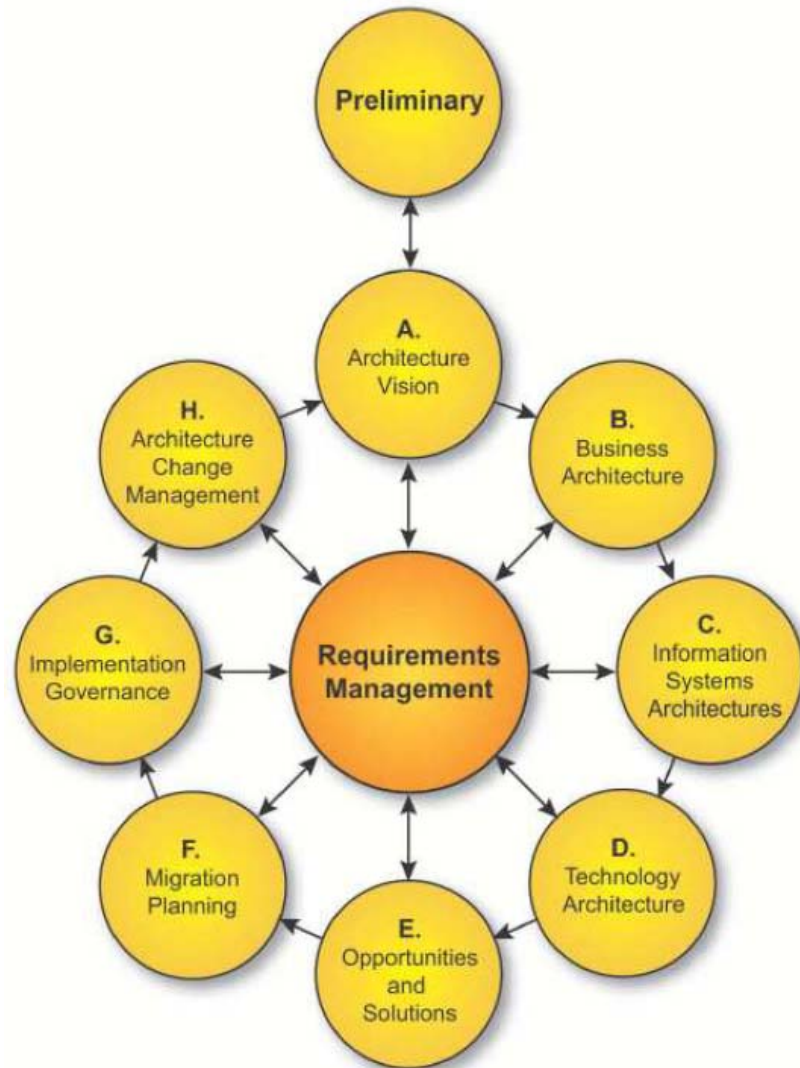
- current technical realisation and future enterprise-specific standards like operating system, middleware and infrastructure

Data Architecture and Application Architecture together are the **Information System Architecture**





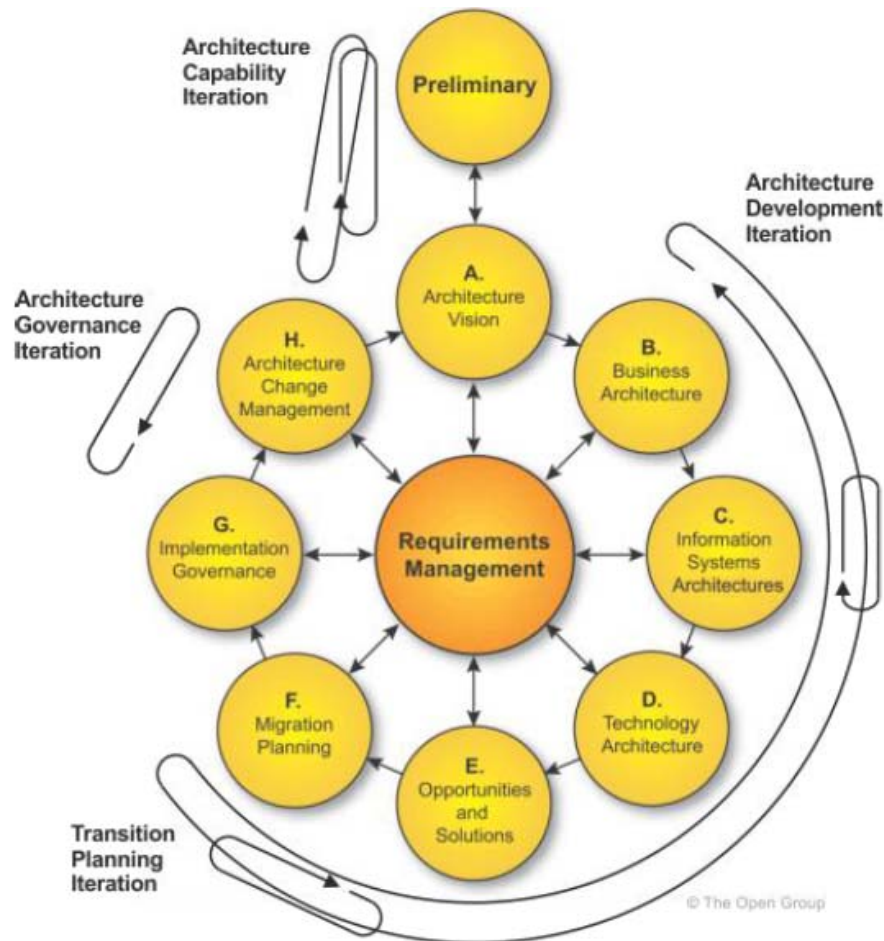
# TOGAF Architecture Development Method (ADM)



- TOGAF addresses the whole enterprise architecture lifecycle
- The TOGAF Architecture Development Method (ADM) is a generic method for developing an enterprise architecture
- The goals, approaches, required input, activities and deliverables are documented for each phase separately
- The ADM method is enriched by specific ADM guidelines and techniques.

(The Open Group 2009)

# TOGAF Architecture Development Method (ADM)



- Although originally represented as a sequential method, in chapter 19.2 of TOGAF describes also iteration cycles

(The Open Group 2011)



## *Further Components of TOGAF*

TOGAF has additional components:

- **Architecture Content Framework:** a detailed model for deliverable types in the development and evolution of an EA
- **Enterprise Continuum:** a collection of reference descriptions in the form of graphic models and text documents
- **Architecture Repository:** storage of various types of architecture deliverables: Architecture Metamodel, Architecture Capability, Architecture Landscape, Standards Information Base (SIB), Reference Library, Governance Log
- **Resource Base:** templates or supplementary notes

from (Hanschke, 2010)



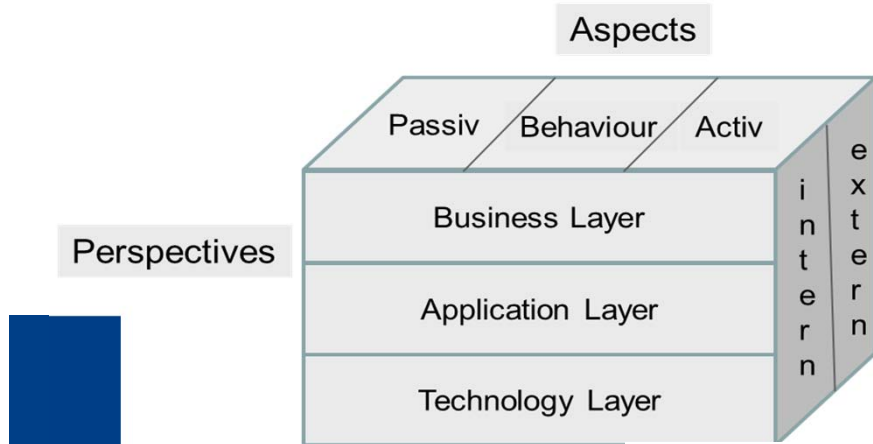


# ***ARCHIMATE***

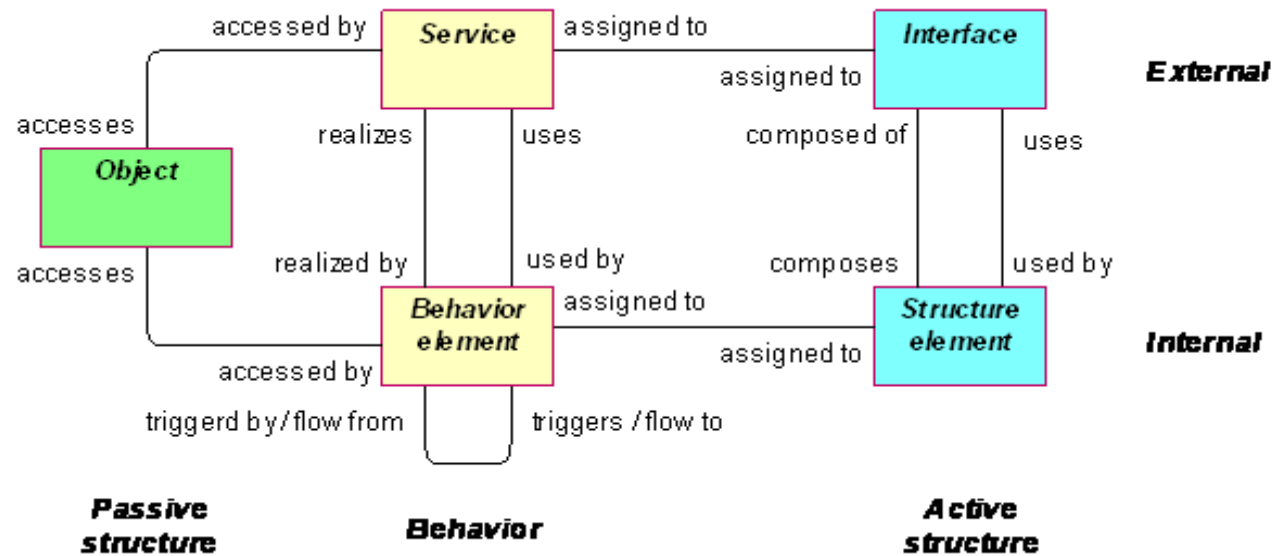
## *ArchiMate*

- Developed 2005 and evolved by members of The ArchiMate Forum
- Current version: ArchiMate 2.0, from 2005
- Management framework for the overall architecture
- Defines a terminology to describe core architecture elements and their relations («a high level modelling language»)
- <http://pubs.opengroup.org/architecture/archimate2-doc/>

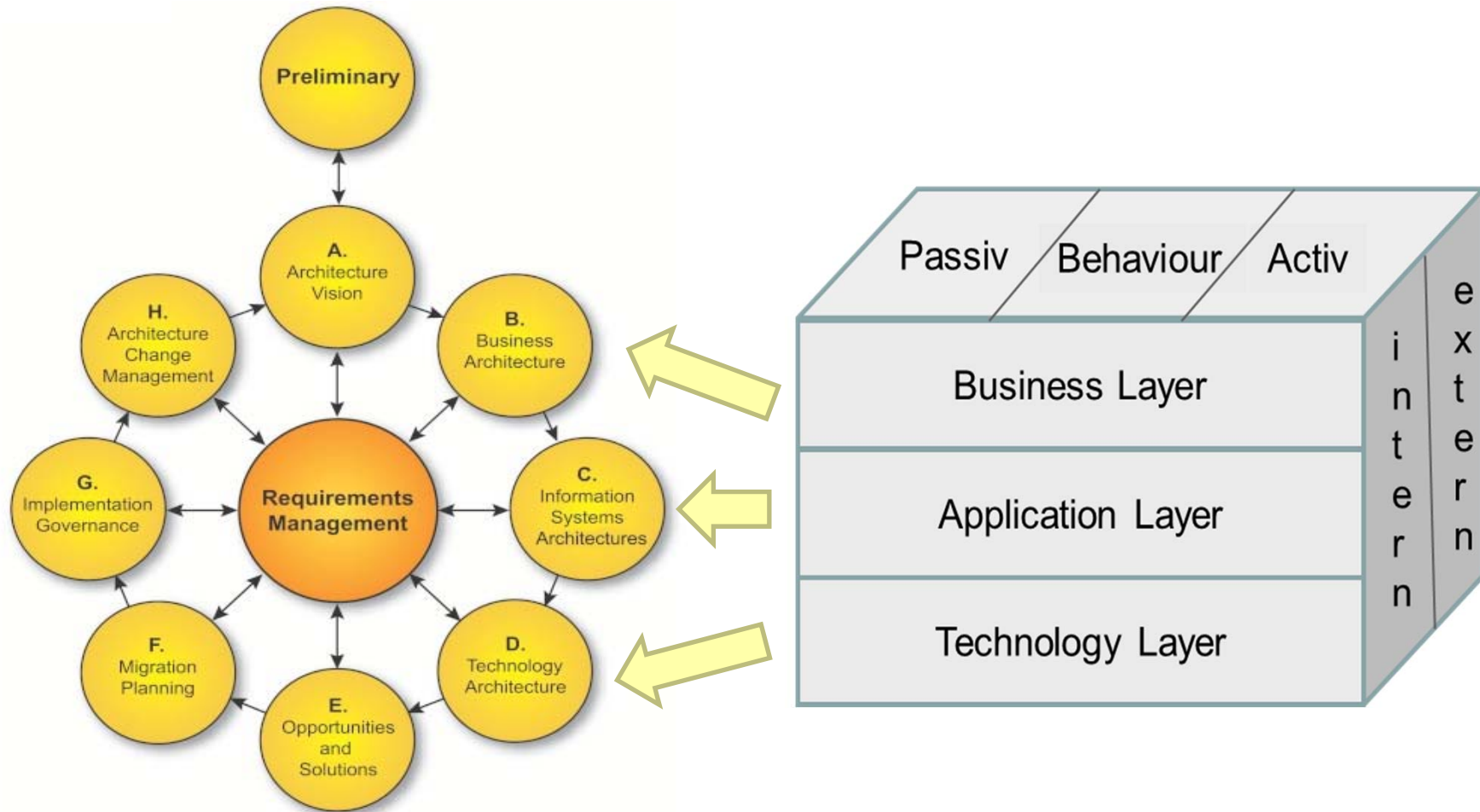
# ArchiMate Generic Metamodel



## Core Concepts



# TOGAF and ArchiMate



## ***Using ArchiMate with an Architecture Method (e.g. TOGAF)***

- TOGAF's ADM process refers to artifacts and deliverables; those artifacts could be represented in 'ArchiMate-Style'
- TOGAF is concerned with the application portfolio rather than application design. ArchiMate provides a language (kind of UML representation) for application design
- ArchiMate is probably best used at the level of system or solution architecture, whereas TOGAF is used at the level of cross-organisational strategic enterprise architecture
- The most important disparity between TOGAF and ArchiMate is that ArchiMate deals with the relationships between architectural layers, whereas TOGAF's views are confined to a single architectural layer

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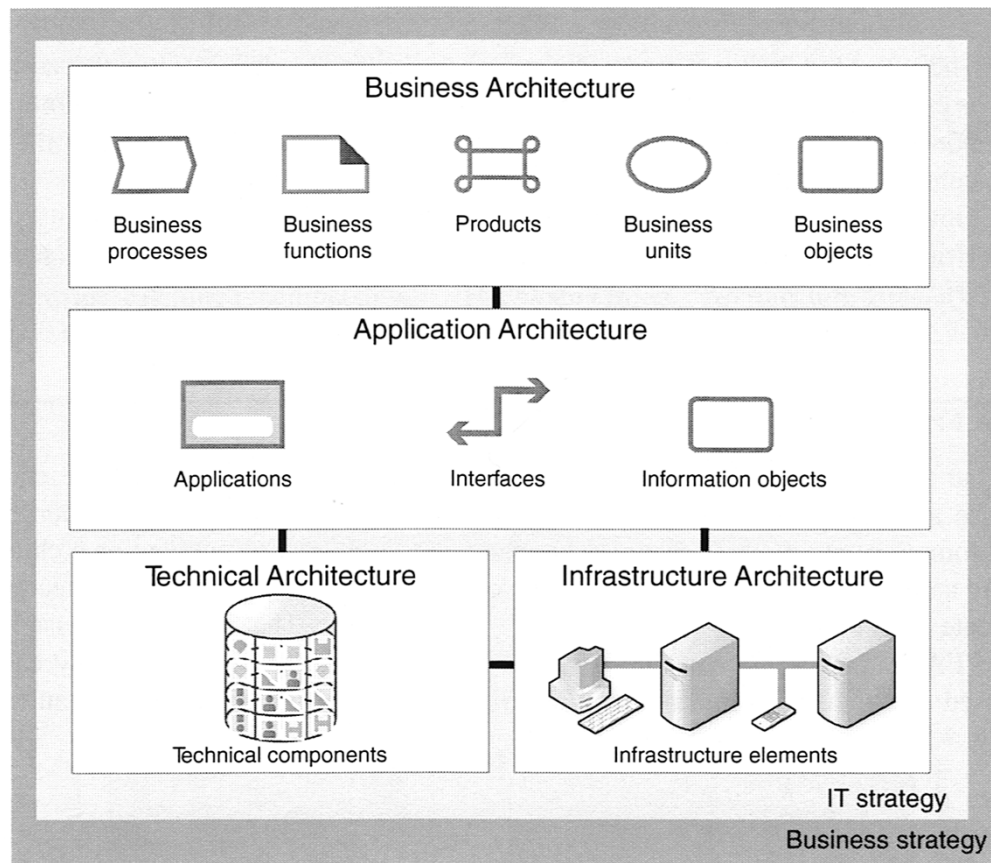
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# ***BEST PRACTICE ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE***

# Best Practice Enterprise Architecture



- The Best Practice Architecture from Inge Hanschke (2010) is another example of a three-layer enterprise architecture framework.
- In contrast to TOGAF
  - ◆ it is quite simple
  - ◆ it differentiates between the technical architecture and the infrastructure architecture
  - ◆ it does not have a separate data or information architecture

from (Hanschke, 2010)

## ***Partial Architectures of the Best Practice Architecture***

### ■ **Business Architecture**

- ◆ Describing main entities that determine the business: business processes, functions, products, business units and business objects.

### ■ **Application Architecture**

- ◆ documentation of the information systems landscape, i.e. information systems, their data and interfaces and the information flow
- ◆ bridge between business architecture and the architectures of technology and infrastructure

### ■ **Technology Architecture**

- ◆ determination of enterprise-specific technical standards for information systems, interfaces and infrastructure

### ■ **Infrastructure Architecture**

- ◆ Entities of the infrastructure, on which the information systems are running