# THE PRACTICE OF ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

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### ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

# ENTERPRISE PHYSICS 101

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# PREFACE

This seminar is NOT about increasing the stock price by the close of market, Friday afternoon.

It IS about the laws of nature that determine the success of an Enterprise ... particularly, continuing success in the turbulent times of the Information Age.

It is a presentation on Physics ... Enterprise Physics.

# INTRODUCTION

Enterprise Architecture presently appears to be a grossly misunderstood concept among management. It is NOT an Information Technology issue. It is an ENTERPRISE issue. It is likely perceived to be an Information Technology issue as opposed to a Management issue for two reasons:

- Awareness of it tends to surface in the Enterprise through the Information Systems community.
- Information Technology
  people seem to have the
  skills to do Enterprise
  Architecture if any
  Enterprise Architecture is
  being or is to be done.

# ORIGINS OF ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

- \*\* Frederick Taylor "Principles of Scientific Management" 1911
- Walter A. Shewhart "The Economic Control of Quality of Manufactured Product" 1931 (Dr. Edward Demming's Mgr.)
- \*\* Peter Drucker "The Practice of Management" 1954
- # Jay Forrester "Industrial Dynamics" 1961
- \*\* Peter Senge "The Fifth Discipline" 1990
- \*\* Eric Helfert "Techniques of Financial Analysis" 1962
- \*\* Robert Anthony "Planning and Control Systems: A Framework for Analysis" 1965
- \*\* Sherman Blumenthal "Management Information Systems: A Framework for Planning and Development" 1969
- \* Alvin Toffler "Future Shock" 1970
- ☆ George Steiner "Comprehensive Managerial Planning" 1972
- Etc., etc., etc.

# THE INFORMATION AGE

"The next information revolution is well underway. But it is not happening where information scientists, information executives, and the information industry in general are looking for it. It is not a revolution in technology, machinery, techniques, software, or speed. It is a revolution in CONCEPTS."

Peter Drucker. Forbes ASAP, August 24, 1998

"Future Shock" (1970) - The rate of change.

"The Third Wave" (1980) - The structure of change.

"Powershift" (1990) - The culture of change.

-Alvin Toffler

"We are living in an extraordinary moment in history. Historians will look back on our times, the 40-year time span between 1980 and 2020, and classify it among the handful of historic moments when humans reorganized their entire civilization around a new tool, a new idea."

Peter Leyden. Minneapolis Star Tribune. June 4, 1995 "On the Edge of the Digital Age: The Historic Moment"

# STRATEGY PATTERN

### Short term, Expense-based Strategy Custom Products (Make-to-Order)

If IT is in the business of building and running systems and the objective is to build systems faster and cheaper, then break them down into smaller pieces and start writing the code. Result is more of the same... legacy. (NOT integrated, NOT flexible, NOT aligned, NOT reusable, NOT interoperable, etc., etc. ... BUT, running.)

Modified Short Term Strategy Standard Products (Provide-from-Stock)

If the IT strategy is to buy rather than build... then implement "as is"... change the Enterprise to fit the package. Build and maintain "interfaces" with any replicated concepts in the existing legacy or in future system implementations.

Long Term, Asset-based Strategy Custom, Standard Products (Assemble-to-Order)

If IT is in the business of engineering and manufacturing Enterprises, then start building an inventory of Enterprise Architecture assets, engineering them to be reused in any implementation... the "asset paradigm"... that is, "Mass-Customization" of the Enterprise... ("custom Enterprises, mass-produced in quantities of one for immediate delivery"... at the click of a mouse.)

# THE CHALLENGE

What is your strategy for addressing:
Orders of magnitude increases in complexity,
and

Orders of magnitude increases in the rate of change?

Seven thousand years of history would suggest the only known strategy for addressing complexity and change is...

### **ARCHITECTURE**

If it gets so complex you can't remember how it works ...
you have to write it down (Architecture)
If you want to change how it works ...
you start with what you have written down (Architecture)

### The key to complexity and change: Architecture.

The question is: What is "Architecture," Enterprise Architecture?

INTRODUCTION TO ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

# DEFINING ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

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# "ARCHITECTURE"

If the object you are trying to create is simple, you can see the whole thing all at one time, and it is not likely to change, (e.g. a log cabin, a program, etc.), then you don't need Architecture.



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for m1 = 1, H do begin
for m2 = 1,M do begin
 for u1 = u_min,u_max do begin
  for u2 = u_min,u_max do begin
   if u1 gt u2 then begin
     for v1 = v_min, v_max do begin
      if v1 lt u1 then begin
       for v2 = v_min, v_max do begin
        if v2 ge v1 then begin
         KE_B = double(m1*u1^2+m2*u2^2)

KE_A = double(m1*v1^2+m2*v2^2)
         if (KE_B gt KE_A) and (KE_A ge 0.965*KE_B) then begin
           x_axis[index]=index
          LM_B = double(m1*u1+m2*u2)
          LM \Delta = double(m1*v1+m2*v2)
          y_IM_Diffs[index]=LM_B-LM_A
          Total_LM=Total_LM+LM_B-LM_A
          y_LM_Total[index]=double(Total_LM/(index+1))
          if index gt 65535 then goto, end_of_loop
 endfor
endfor
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All you need is a tool (e.g. an ax, a compiler, etc.), some raw material (e.g. a forest, some data, etc.) and some time (then, build log cabins, write programs, etc.).

# "ARCHITECTURE"



On the other hand, if the object is complex, you can't see it in its entirety at one time and it is likely to change considerably over time (e.g. a hundred story building, or an Enterprise, etc.), now you need Architecture.

In short, the reasons you need Architecture:

### **COMPLEXITY AND CHANGE**



# "ARCHITECTURE"

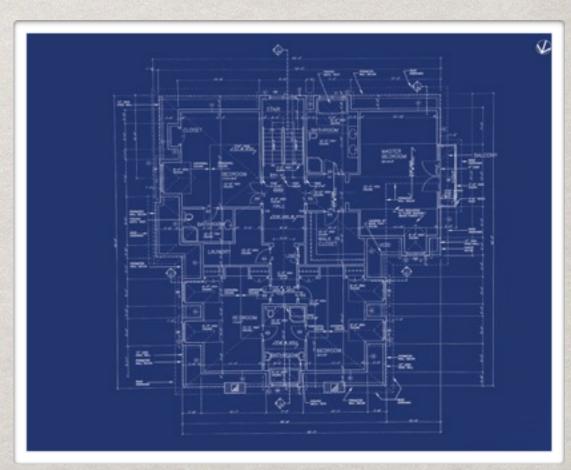
### **COMPLEXITY**

If you can't describe it, you can't create it (whatever "it" is).

### **CHANGE**

If you don't retain the descriptive representations after you create them (or if you never created them in the first place) and you need to change the resultant implementation, you have only three options:

- \*\* Change the instance and see what happens. (High risk!)
- Recreate ("reverse engineer") the architectural representations from the existing ("as is") implementation. (Takes time and costs money!)
- Scrap the whole thing and start over again.



# ARCHITECTURE

Architecture ... what is it? Some people think this is Architecture:



That is a common

### **MISCONCEPTION**

(Note: This same misconception about Enterprises is what leads people to misconstrue Enterprise Architecture as being big, monolithic, static, inflexible and unachievable and ... it takes too long and costs too much.)

# ARCHITECTURE

This is the RESULT of architecture. In the RESULT you can see the Architect's "architecture".

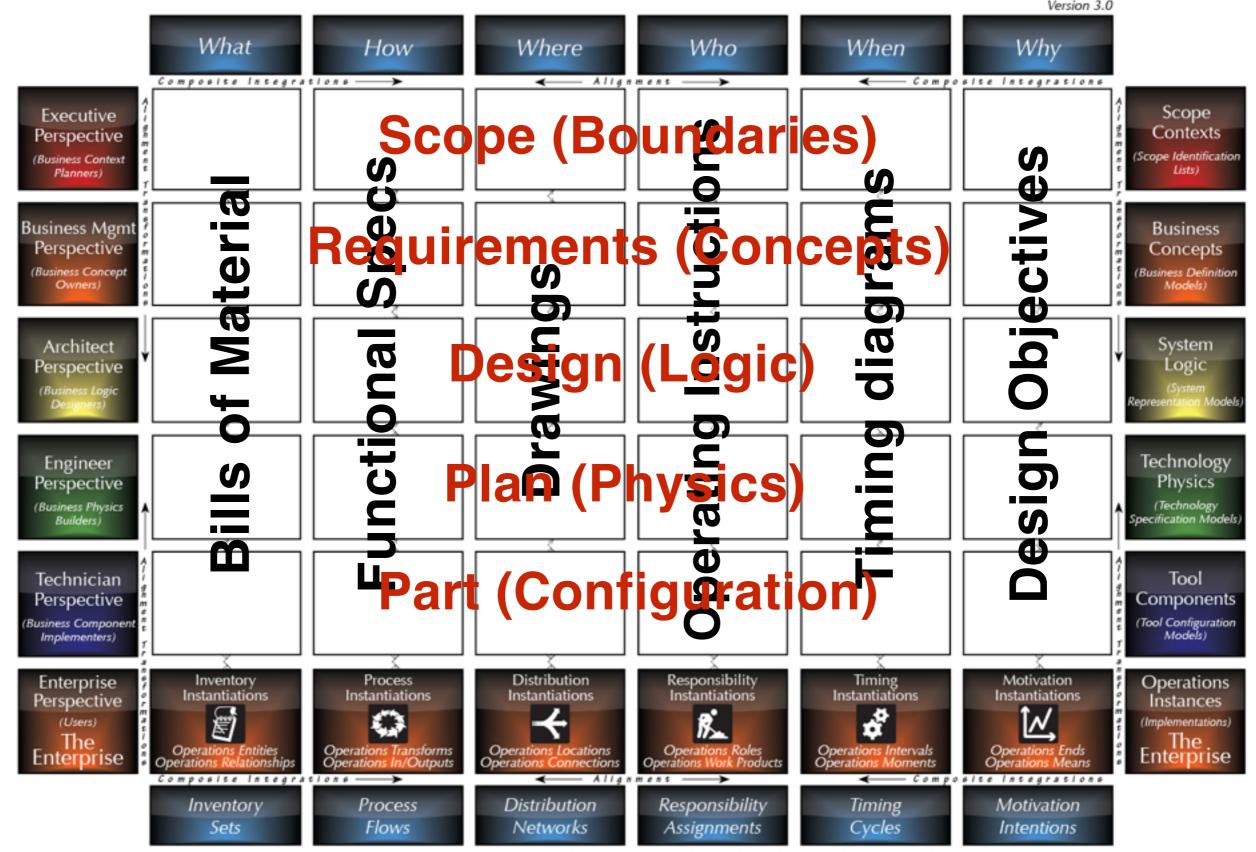
The RESULT is an implementation, an instance.





"Architecture" IS the set of descriptive representations relevant for describing a complex object (actually, any object) such that an instance of the object can be created and such that the descriptive representations serve as the baseline for changing an object instance (assuming that the descriptive representations are maintained consistent with the instantiation).

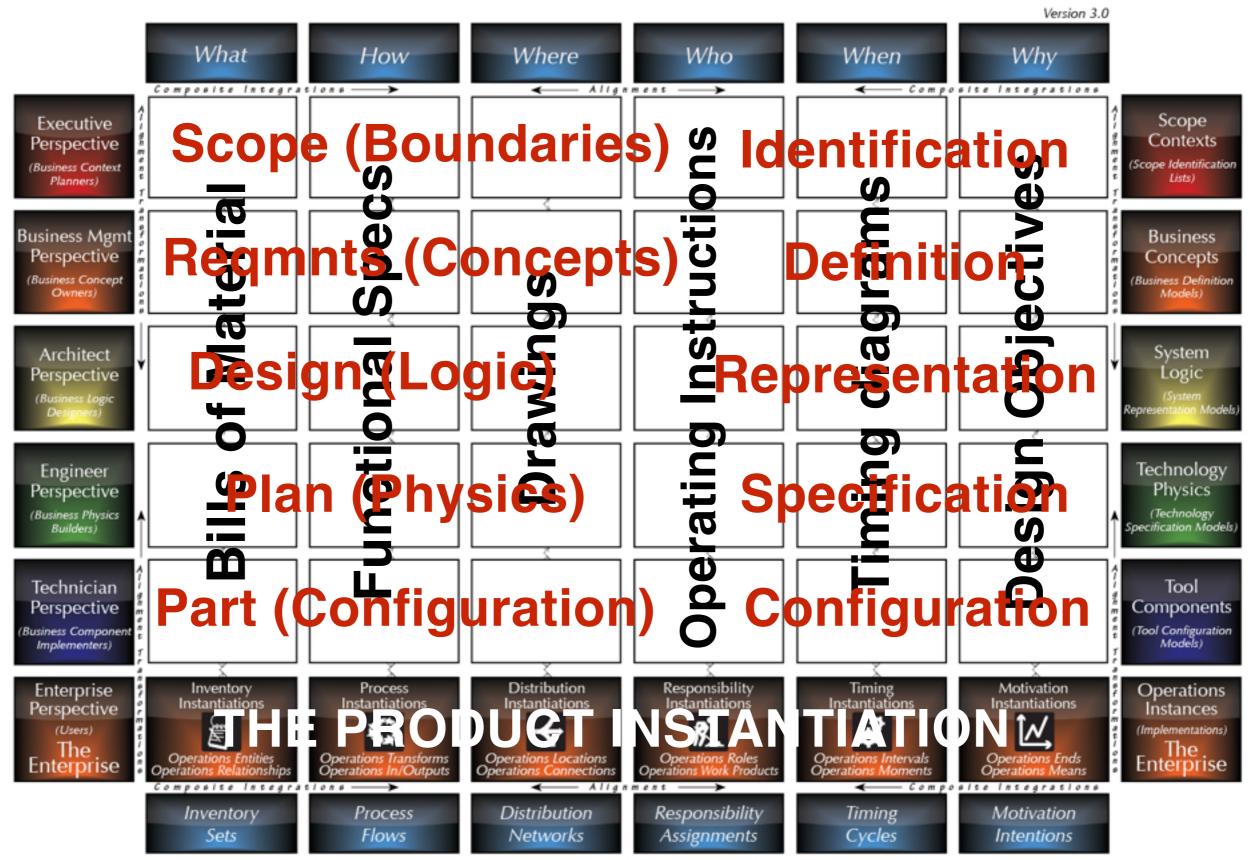
# The Framework for **Anything** Architecture



# REIFICATION



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# ENGINEERING VS MANUFACTURING

Engineering work requires

single-variable,

(Synthesis)

ontologically-defined descriptions

of the whole of the object.

(Primitive)

(This is the NEW paradigm)

IN CONTRAST

Manufacturing work requires

multi-variable,

holistic descriptions

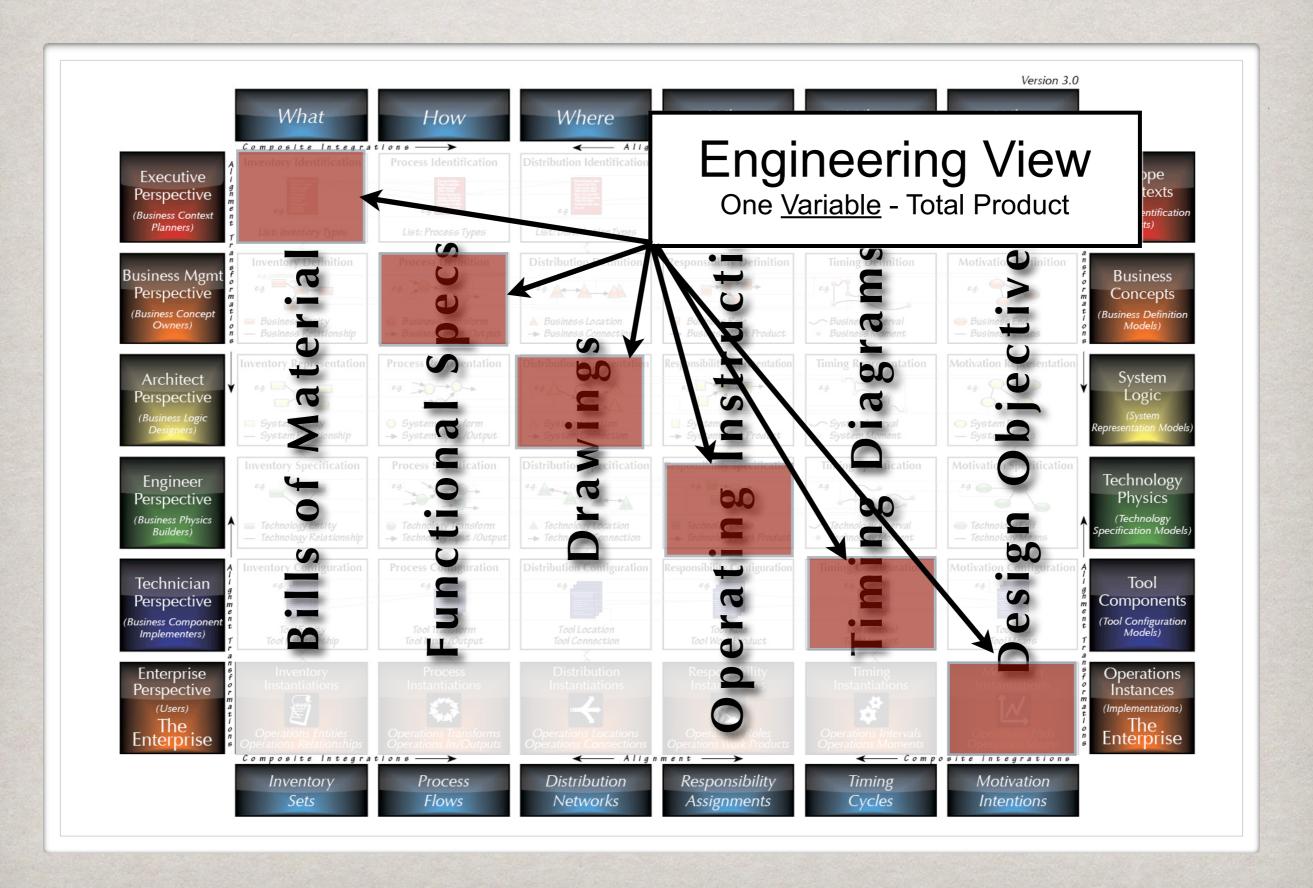
of parts of the object.

(Composite)

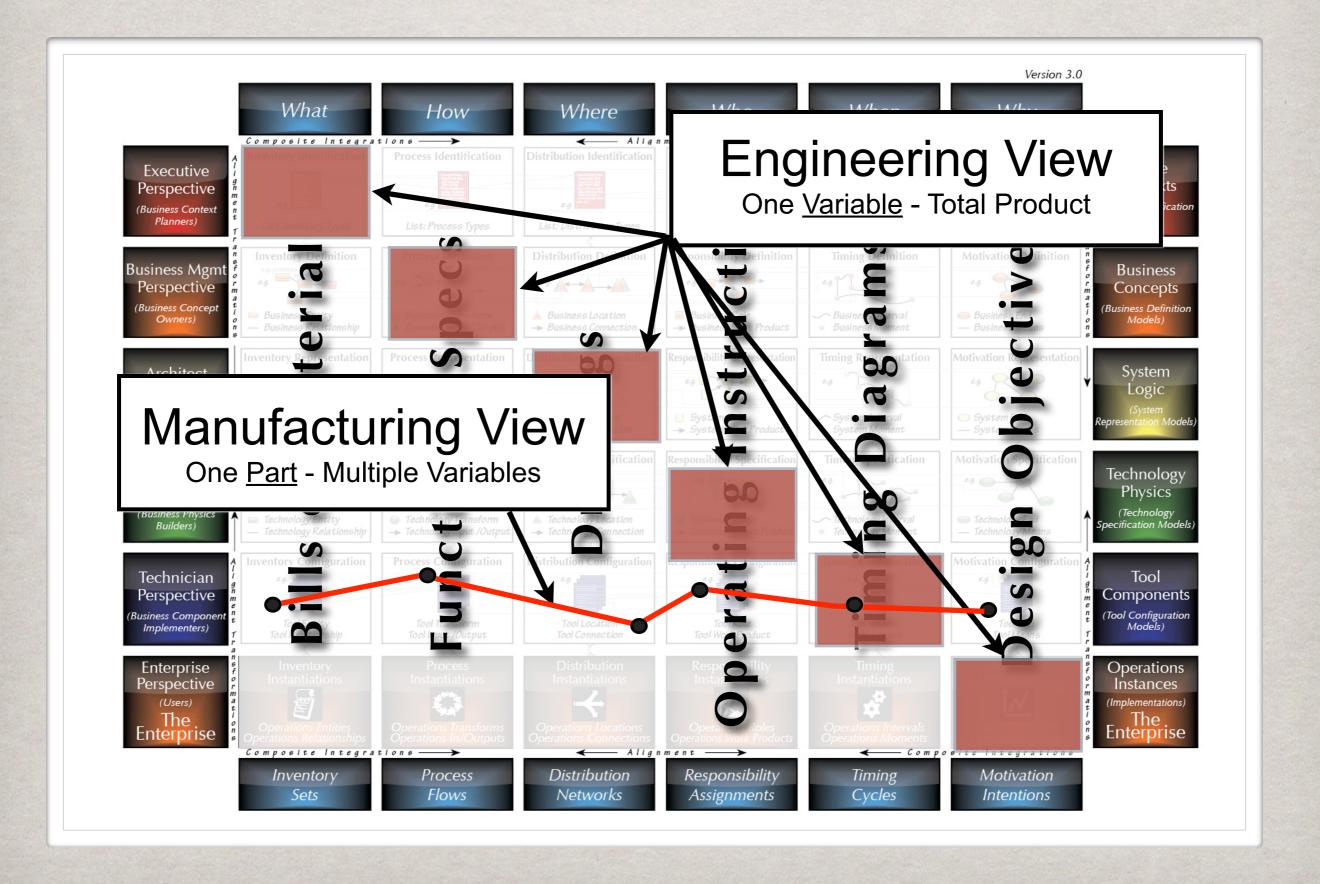
(Analysis)

(This is the CURRENT paradigm)

### ENGINEERING VERSUS MANUFACTURING



### ENGINEERING VERSUS MANUFACTURING



# The Framework for **Enterprise** Architecture



### The Zachman Framework for Enterprise Architecture

The Enterprise Ontology ™



# FRAMEWORK GRAPHIC

For the latest version of the Framework Graphic, register at www.Zachman.com for a high resolution .pdf file.

(For a publication release of the Framework Graphic send requests to the Contact Us link on <a href="mailto:zachman.com">zachman.com</a>)

You may be interested in several articles by John A. Zachman at <a href="Zachman.com">Zachman.com</a>

"Architecture Is Architecture Is Architecture"

"John Zachman's Concise Definition of the Zachman Framework"

and

"The Zachman Framework Evolution" by John P. Zachman

## ARCHITECTURE IS ARCHITECTURE

I simply put Enterprise names on the same descriptive representations relevant for describing anything.

Why would anyone think that the descriptions of an Enterprise are going to be any different from the descriptions of anything else humanity has ever described?

### ARCHITECTURE IS ARCHITECTURE IS ARCHITECTURE

I don't think Enterprise Architecture is arbitrary ... and it is *not negotiable*. My opinion is, we ought to accept the definitions of Architecture that the older disciplines of Architecture and Construction, Engineering and Manufacturing have established and focus our energy on learning how to use them to actually engineer Enterprises.

### INTRODUCTION TO ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

ONTOLOGY
VERSUS
METHODOLOGY

# ONTOLOGY

The Zachman Framework<sup>TM</sup> schema technically is an ontology a theory of the existence of a structured set
of essential components of an object
for which explicit expression is necessary (is mandatory?)
for designing, operating and changing the object
(the object being an Enterprise, a department, a value chain,
a "sliver," a solution, a project,
an airplane, a building, a bathtub or whatever or whatever).

A Framework is a STRUCTURE. (A Structure DEFINES something.)

# METHODOLOGY

A Methodology is a PROCESS.
(A Process TRANSFORMS something.)

A Structure IS NOT A Process A Process IS NOT a Structure.

# ONTOLOGY VS METHODOLOGY

An Ontology is the classification of the total set of "Primitive" (elemental) components that exist and that are relevant to the existence of an object.

A Methodology produces "Composite" (compound) implementations of the Primitives.

Primitives (elements) are timeless.

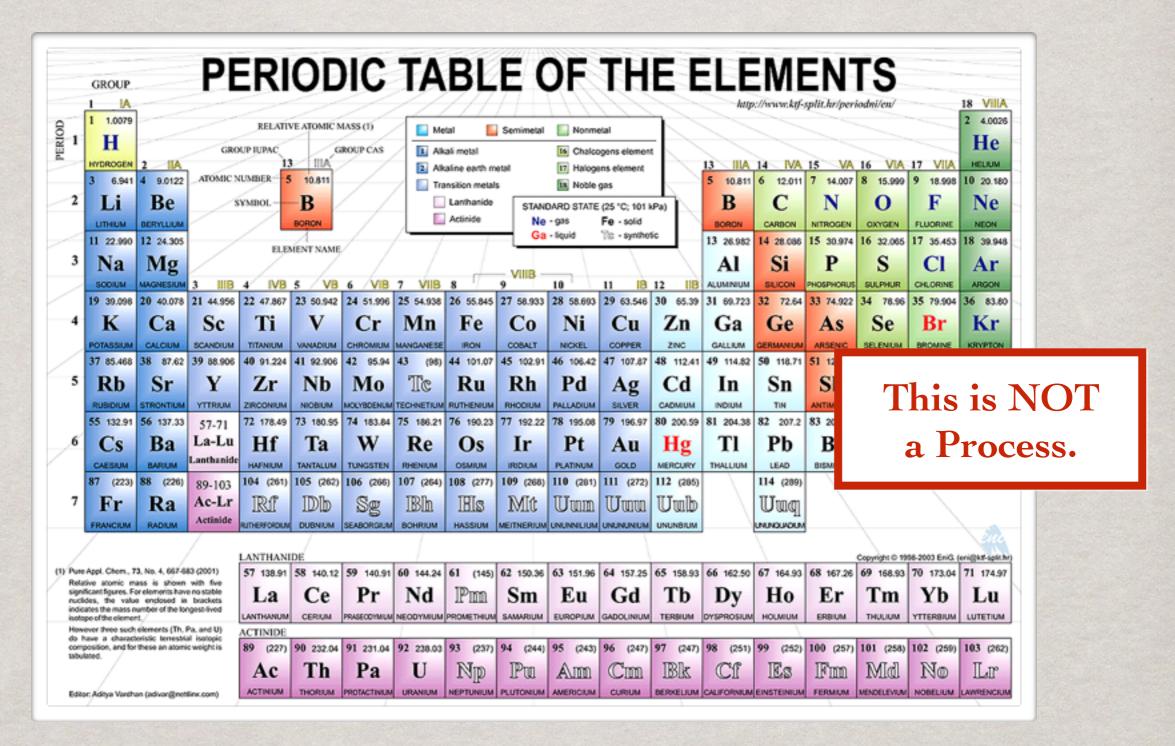
Composites (compounds) are temporal.

People who build Composite Models think the Roman Coliseum is Architecture.

People who build Primitive Models think the Descriptive Representations are Architecture.

What do YOU think is Architecture?

# ONTOLOGY



### **Elements are Timeless**

Until an ontology exists, nothing is repeatable, nothing is predictable.

There is no DISCIPLINE.

# PROCESS

(Methodology)

A Process TRANSFORMS something.

This is a Process:

Add Bleach to an Alkali and it is transformed into Saltwater.



Compounds are Temporal

# **PROCESS**

(METHODOLOGY)

Add Bleach to an Alkali and it is transformed into Saltwater.

# HCI + NaOH - NaCI + H2O

### COMPOUNDS

Salt NaCl

Aspirin C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

Vicodin C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>

Naproxen C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Ibuprophen C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>18</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

 $Viagra \qquad C_{22}H_{30}N_6O_4S$ 

Sulphuric Acid H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

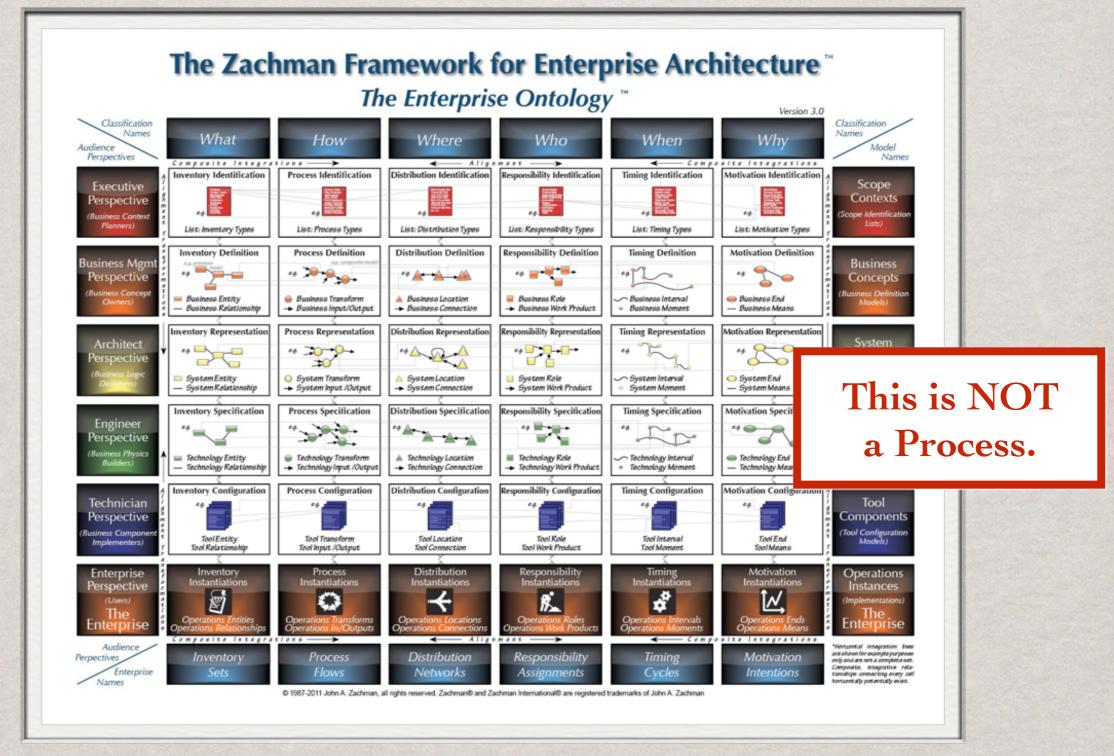
Water H<sub>2</sub>O

etc., etc., etc.



Compounds are Temporal

# ONTOLOGY



"Primitives" are Timeless.

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There is no DISCIPLINE.

# **PROCESS**

(METHODOLOGY)

# COMPOSITES

(COMPOUNDS)

COBOL Programs COTS

Objects Technology Architecture

BPMN Models Big Data

Swimlanes Missions/Visions

Business Architecture Agile Code

Capabilities Business Processes

Mobility DoDAF Models

Applications Balanced Scorecard

Data Models Clouds

Security Architecture I.B. Watson

Services \_ TOGAF Artifacts

Etc., etc., etc.

Compounds are Temporal

# ALCHEMY - A PRACTICE

# This is a Methodology WITHOUT an Ontology

A Process with no ontological structure is ad hoc, fixed and dependent on practitioner skills.

This is NOT a science.

It is ALCHEMY,

a "practice."



# THE PERIODIC TABLE METAPHOR

Before Mendeleev published the Periodic table, Alchemist (practitioners) could create compounds based on their experience ... whatever worked. After Mendeleev figured out the Periodic Table, Chemistry became a science. Creating compounds became predictable and repeatable based on the natural laws (Physics) expressed in the Periodic Table. Within 50 years, the Chemists and Physicists (practitioners) were splitting atoms.

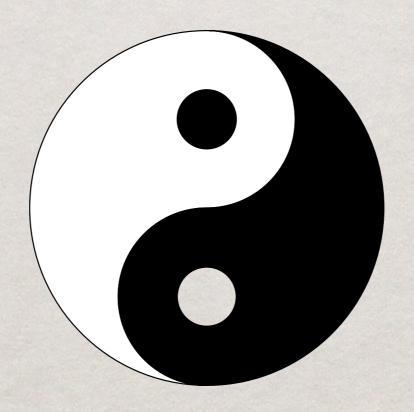
If I am right that Architecture is Architecture is Architecture, and if my work understanding the under-lying primitives (elements) of Architecture correctly reflects the natural laws of classification and has integrity, maybe my Framework will form the basis for making Enterprise Architecture a science ... and maybe in 50 years, the methodologists (practitioners) will be able to engineer Enterprises to be assembled to order from reusable "primitive" components dynamically. I don't know. I hope so.

We'll probably know in 50 years.

# ONTOLOGY AND METHODOLOGY

It is NOT either Ontology OR Methodology

It IS Ontology AND Methodology



Ontology and Methodologies do not COMPETE they COMPLETE

#### ONTOLOGY AND METHODOLOGY

#### Methodologies WITHOUT Ontology produce LEGACY

#### Methodologies WITH Ontology produce ARCHITECTURE

Timeless architectural Primitives (Ontology)
can be dynamically assembled (Methodology)
into an infinite number of
temporal Enterprise implementation Composites,
that is,

Custom Enterprises, mass-produced in quantities of 1 for immediate delivery. (Enterprise "Mass-Customization.")

#### DEFINING QUALITY

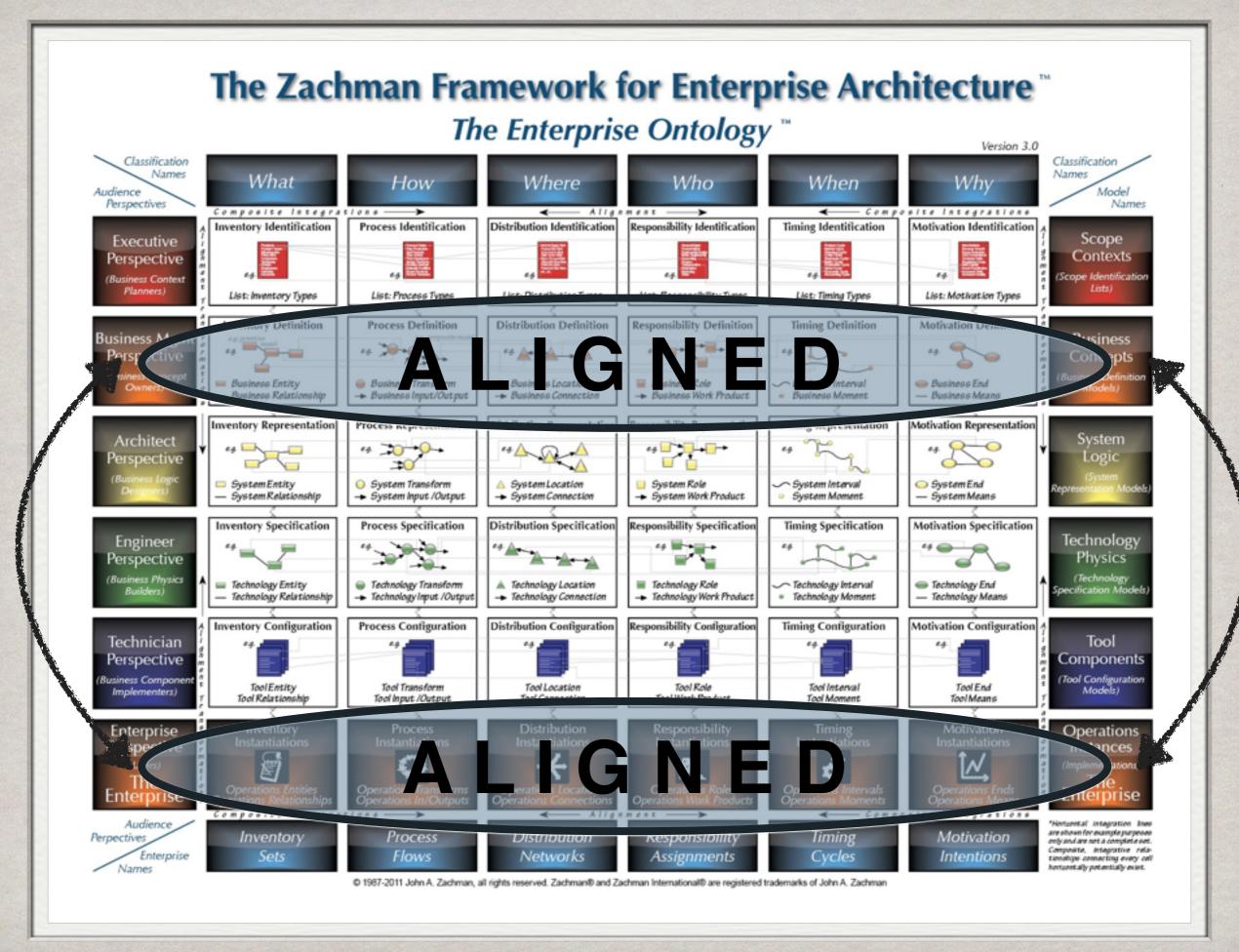
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#### QUALITY

"Producing end results (the product) that meet the requirements as defined by the customer."

### QUALITY IN THE CONTEXT OF THE ENTERPRISE

Producing Implementations
(manual and/or automated)
i.e. the ENTERPRISE (Row 6)
that are "aligned" with
the intentions of Management (Row 2).



#### QUALITY PROBLEMS

#### Either:

A. The Requirements at Row 2 were incorrectly transcribed

#### Or:

B. In the transformation from Row 2 to Row 6, integrity was lost.

#### Or:

C. Whoever entered the data at Row 6 created errors. (This is a Management problem, not an Architecture problem.)

#### FIXING QUALITY PROBLEMS

A. Fix the Process of transcribing the Requirements (Row 2)

#### And/Or:

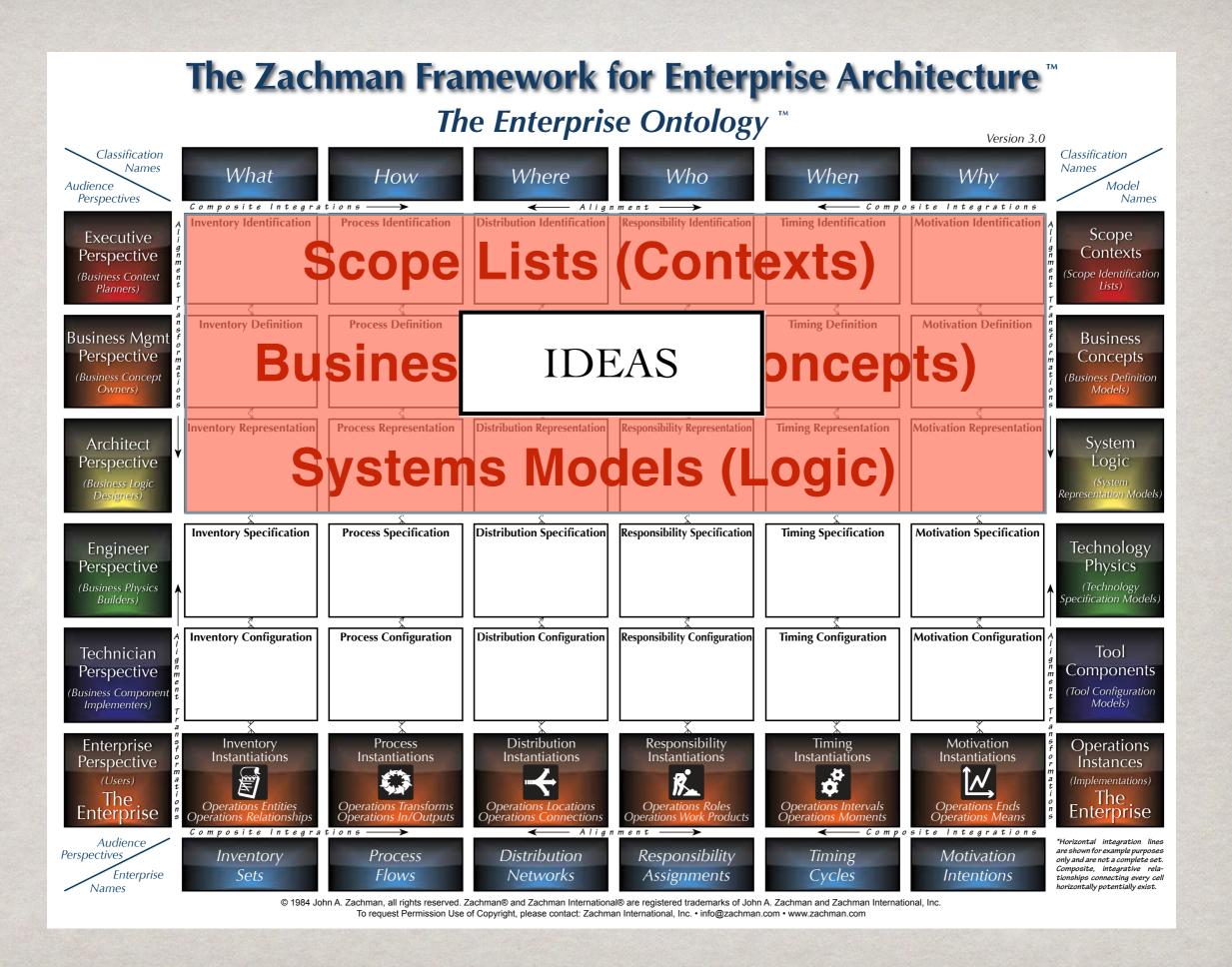
B. Fix the Process of transforming the Requirements (Row 2) into Implementation (Row 6)

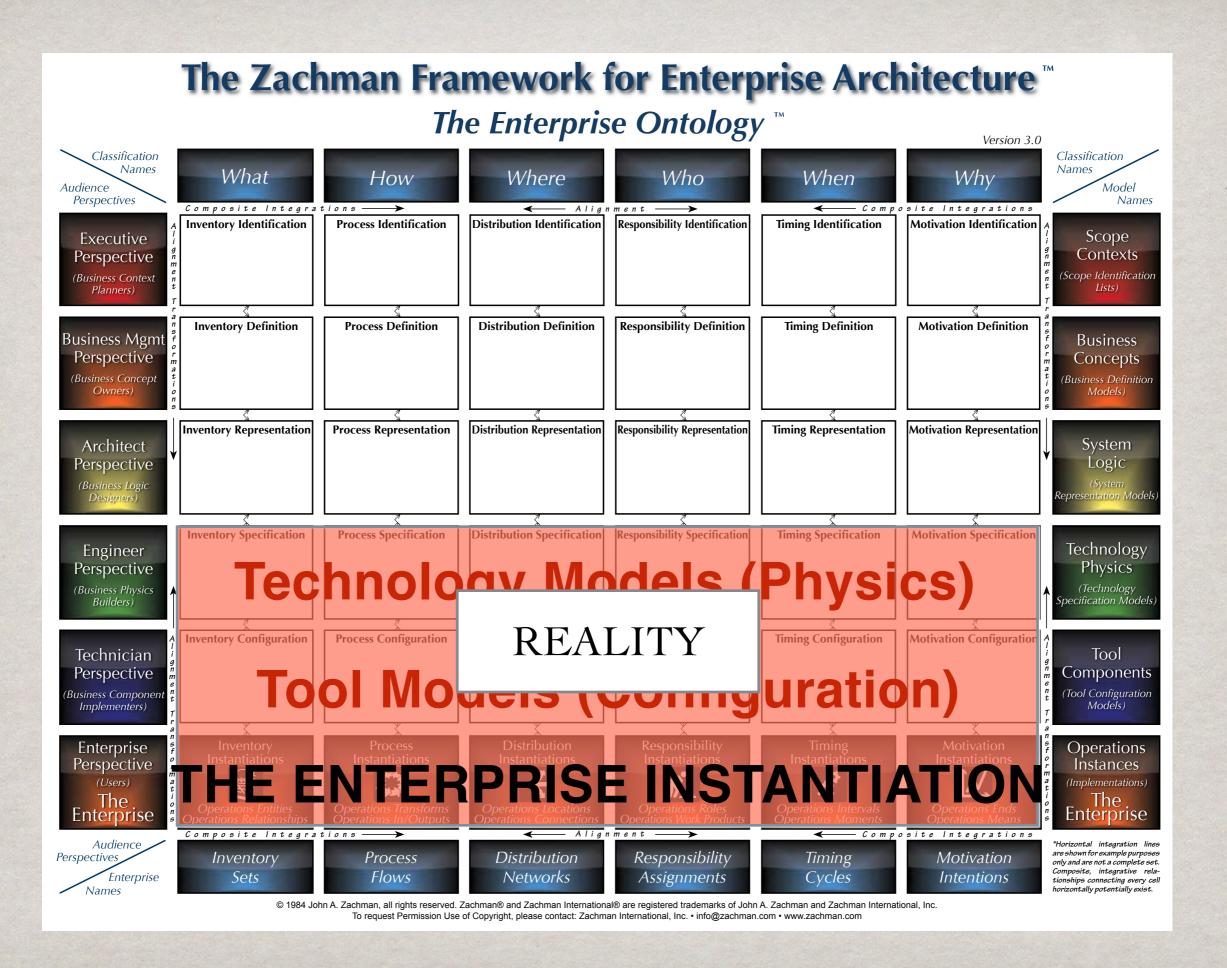
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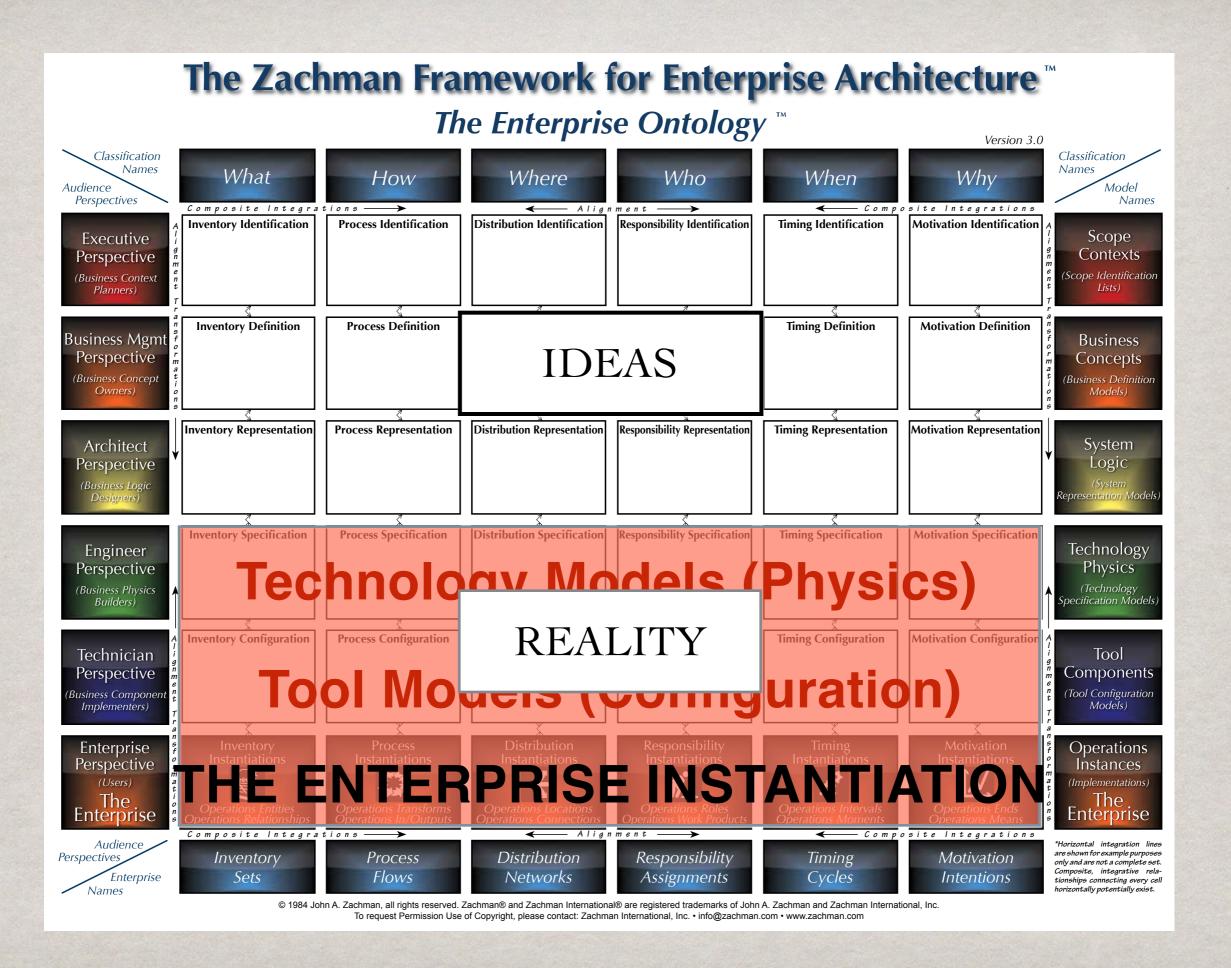
C. Fix the data entry process. (A Management problem.)

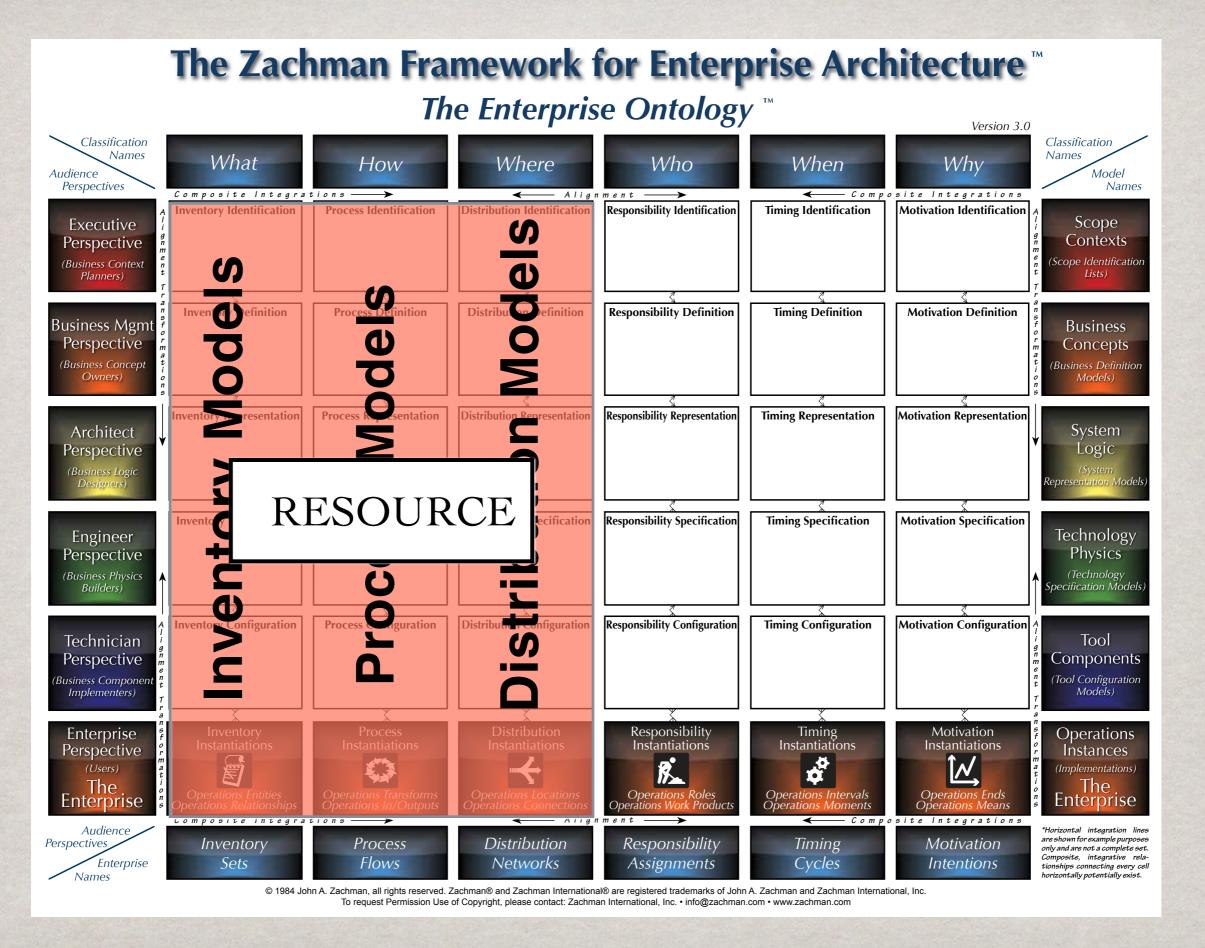
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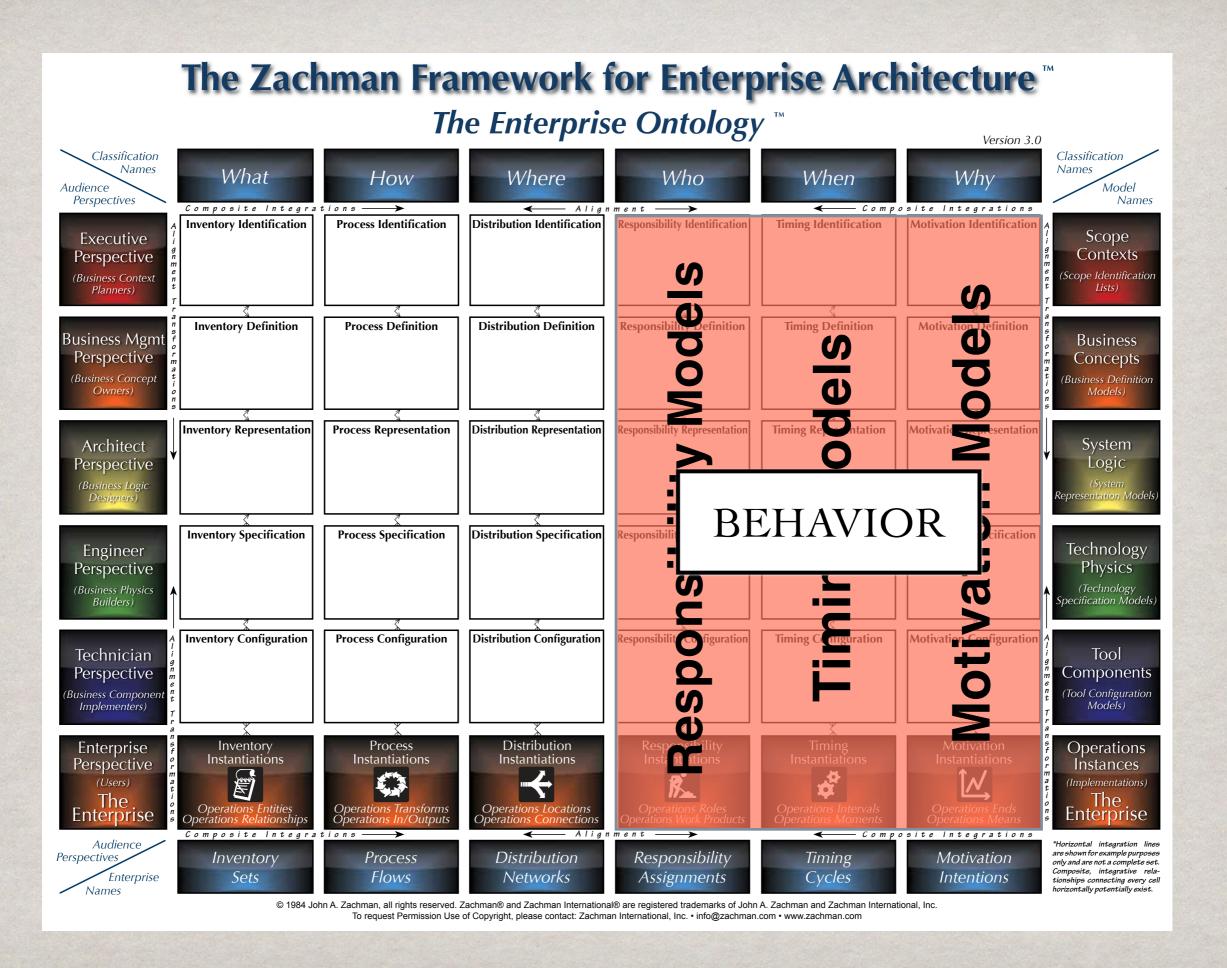
#### **CONTINUOUS PROCESS IMPROVEMENT**

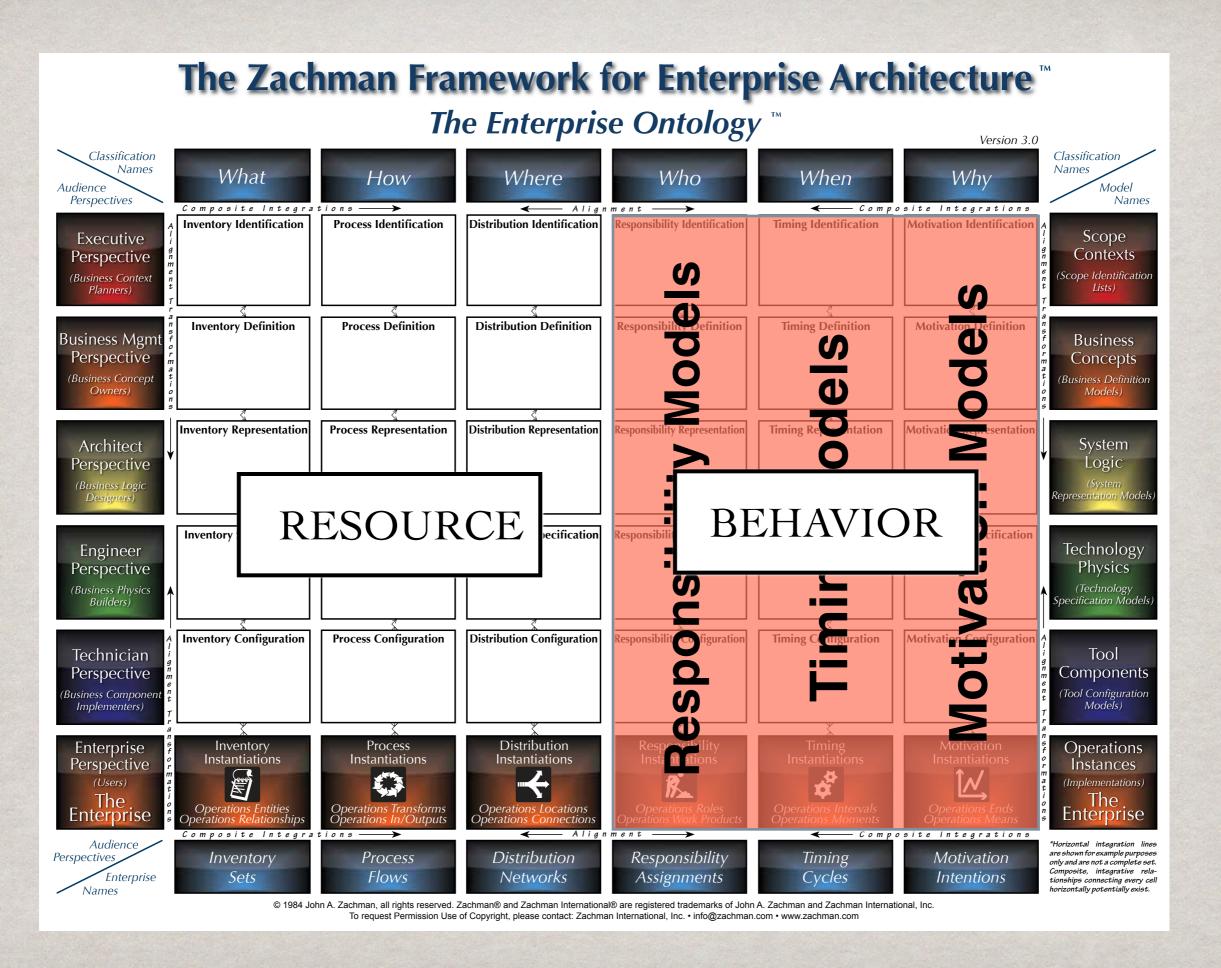


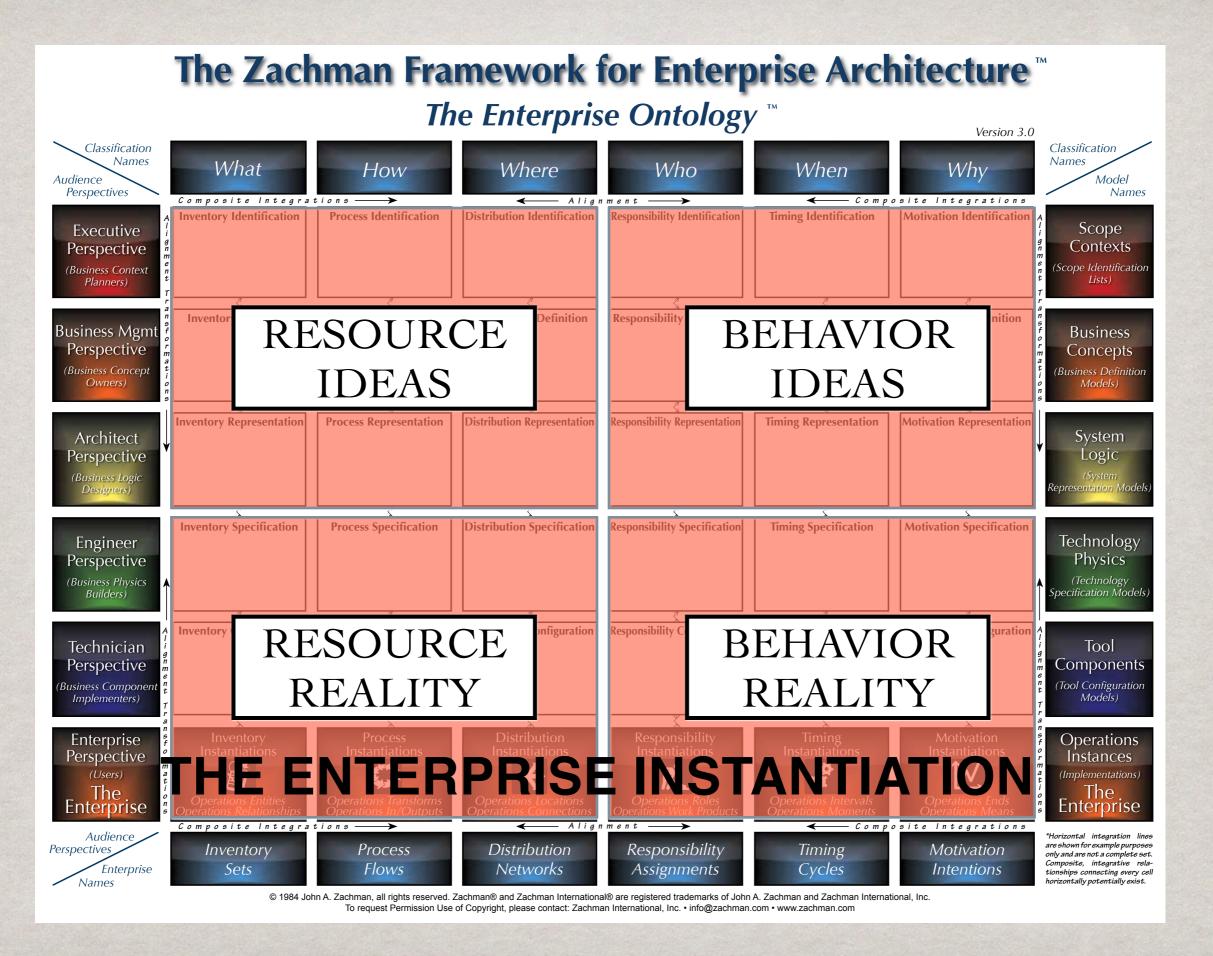












#### ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

### ENTERPRISE LAWS OF PHYSICS

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The First Law of Enterprise Ontological Holism
Every Cell of the Enterprise Ontology exists. Any Cell
or portion of Cell that is not made explicit is implicit
which means that you are allowing anyone and
everyone to make whatever assumptions they want to
make about the contents and structure of that Cell.

The Second Law of Enterprise Ontological Holism Correct assumptions about implicit Cell contents and structure save time and money. Incorrect assumptions are sources of defects ... and in Enterprises the source of miscommunication and misunderstanding - conflicts, escalating General and Administrative costs (entropy) in the implemented Enterprise of Row 6.

The Third Law of Enterprise, Ontological Holism.

Every Cell or portion of Cell that is not explicit (i.e. is implicit) is guaranteed to be a source of inconsistent assumptions and therefore discontinuities, risking potential conflicts, escalating General and Administrative costs (entropy) and even Enterprise liabilities.

# The Fourth Law of Enterprise, Ontological Holism. To avoid misunderstanding and miscommunication about the Enterprise, there should be only a single version of Cells in Rows 1, 2 and 3. However, the Row 3 System Logic can be transformed to more than one Technology and the Row 4 Technology Physics transformed with more than one Vendor Tool as long as content redundancy is controlled.

The Fifth Law of Enterprise, Ontological Holism.

Any fact that is not classifiable according to the defined classification rules is either not relevant to the Enterprise or not a single-variable, "Primitive" fact.

That fact (if it is a fact and if it is relevant to the Enterprise) is likely a "Composite" fact.

The First Law of Reification Incontrovertibility.

If Cells in Rows 1, 2 or 3 are not made explicit, whoever is formalizing Cells in Rows 4, 5 and 6 has to make assumptions about Rows 1, 2 and 3 and the probability of the implemented Enterprise of Row 6 having anything to do with the intentions of Rows 1, 2 or 3 is low to zero.

The Second Law of Reification Incontrovertibility. If Cells in Rows 4, 5 or 6 are not made explicit and aligned with the transformations of Rows 1, 2 and 3, whether the Cells in Rows 1, 2 and 3 are made explicit and aligned or not, the probability of the implemented Enterprise of Row 6 having anything to do with the intentions of the "stakeholders" of Rows 1, 2 or 3 is low to zero.

#### OBSERVATIONS

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#### OBSERVATION

If:

- 1. The Enterprise has no Enterprise Architecture,
- 2. EA Primitives do not = the Enterprise at every given moment,
- 3. And, any fact recurs anywhere in the Enterprise unsynchronized,

#### Then, I humbly submit that the strong possibility exists that:

- 1. No one actually knows how the Enterprise works
- 2. Problems can't be diagnosed and multiple solution alternatives posed/simulated before making investments
- 3. General Management would not be able to change the Enterprise in time to accommodate the external rate of change.
  - 4. The cost of operations is likely escalating.

## ZACHMAN FRAMEWORK STORY

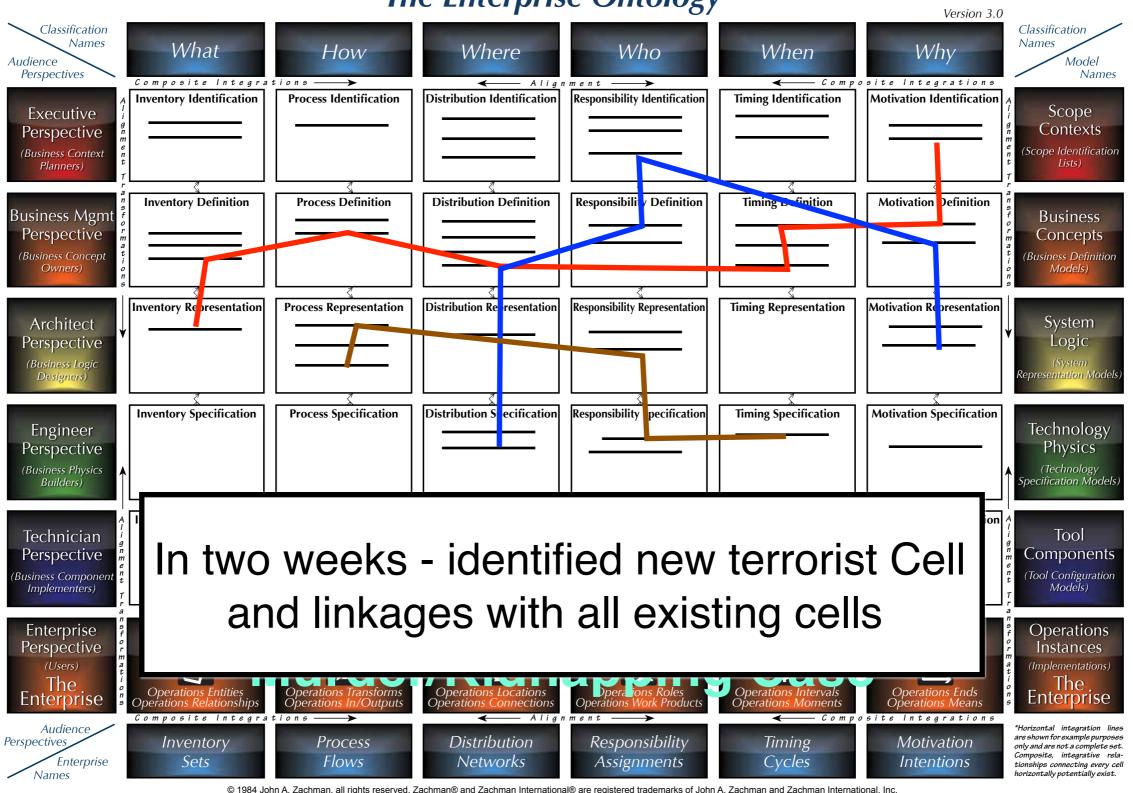
#### The Zachman Framework for Enterprise Architecture ™

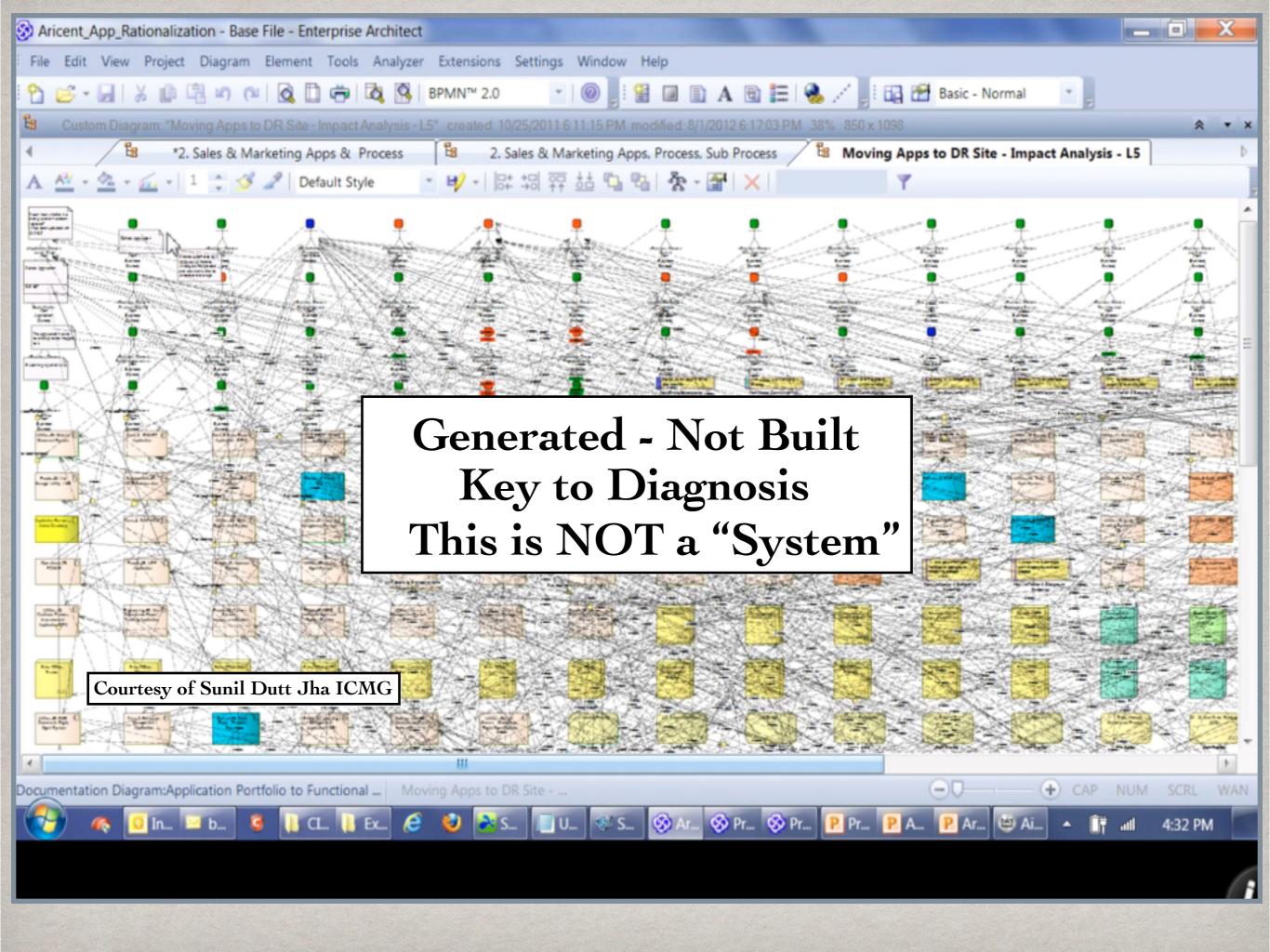
The Enterprise Ontology ™ Version 3.0 Classification Classification Names Names What How Where Who When Why Model **Audience** Names Composite Integrations — - Alignment -- Composite Integrations Inventory Identification Distribution Identification Responsibility Identification Motivation Identification **Process Identification Timing Identification** Scope Executive Contexts Perspective Scope Identification (Business Context **Inventory Definition Process Definition Distribution Definition** Responsibility Definition **Timing Definition Motivation Definition Business Mgmt** Business Perspective Concepts (Business Concept (Business Definition Inventory Representation **Process Representation** Distribution Representation Responsibility Representation **Timing Representation** Motivation Representation Architect System Logic Perspective (Business Logic Distribution Specification Responsibility Specification **Motivation Specification Inventory Specification Process Specification Timing Specification** Technology Engineer Physics Perspective (Technology Specification Models **Inventory Configuration Process Configuration Distribution Configuration** Responsibility Configuration **Timing Configuration Motivation Configuration** Tool Technician Components Perspective (Tool Configuration **Business Component** Models) *Implementers*) Distribution Responsibility Motivation Inventory Process Timing Enterprise **Operations** Instantiations Instantiations Instantiations Instantiations Perspective Instances The The Operations Ends Enterprise Composite Integrations — Composite Integrations \*Horizontal integration line: are shown for example purposes Perspectives **Process** Distribution Responsibility Inventory Timing Motivation only and are not a complete set. Composite, integrative rela-**Assignments** Cycles **Enterprise** Sets Flows Networks Intentions tionships connecting every cell Names

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#### The Zachman Framework for Enterprise Architecture ™ The Enterprise Ontology ™





#### THE KEY

- 1. Single-variable, precisely unique, relevant (not arbitrary), ontologically-defined components.
  - 2. Binary Relationships (only two components at a time).

THE KEY TO
DIAGNOSING THE CEO'S PROBLEMS
AND PRESCRIBING ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS

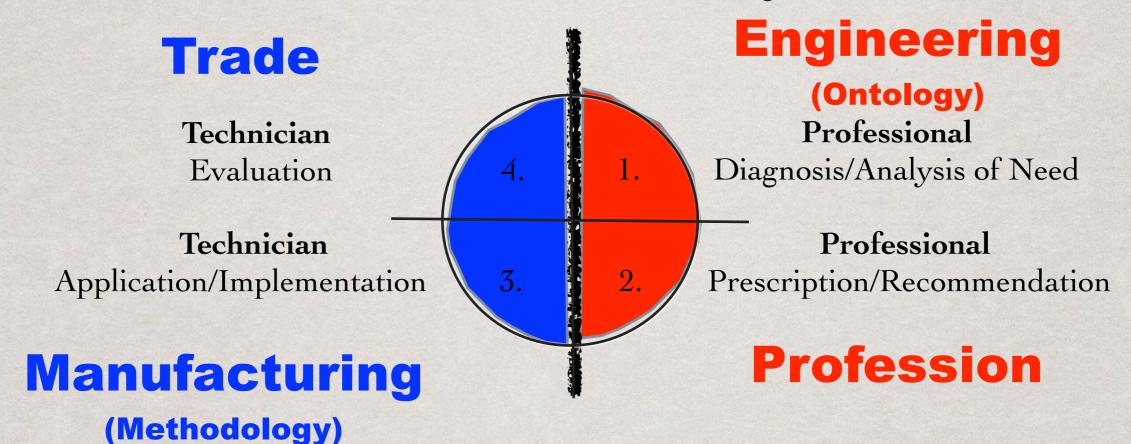
THIS IS AN (INCOMPLETE) ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

A "system" REUSES these Architecture components.

### PROFESSION SERVICE CYCLE

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#### Professional Service Cycle



Roger Greer:

Dean

School of Library and Information Management University of Southern California (My notes from a 1991, IBM GUIDE Conference presentation)

Here is the metaphor:

The Enterprise is the PATIENT and Management is the Brain.

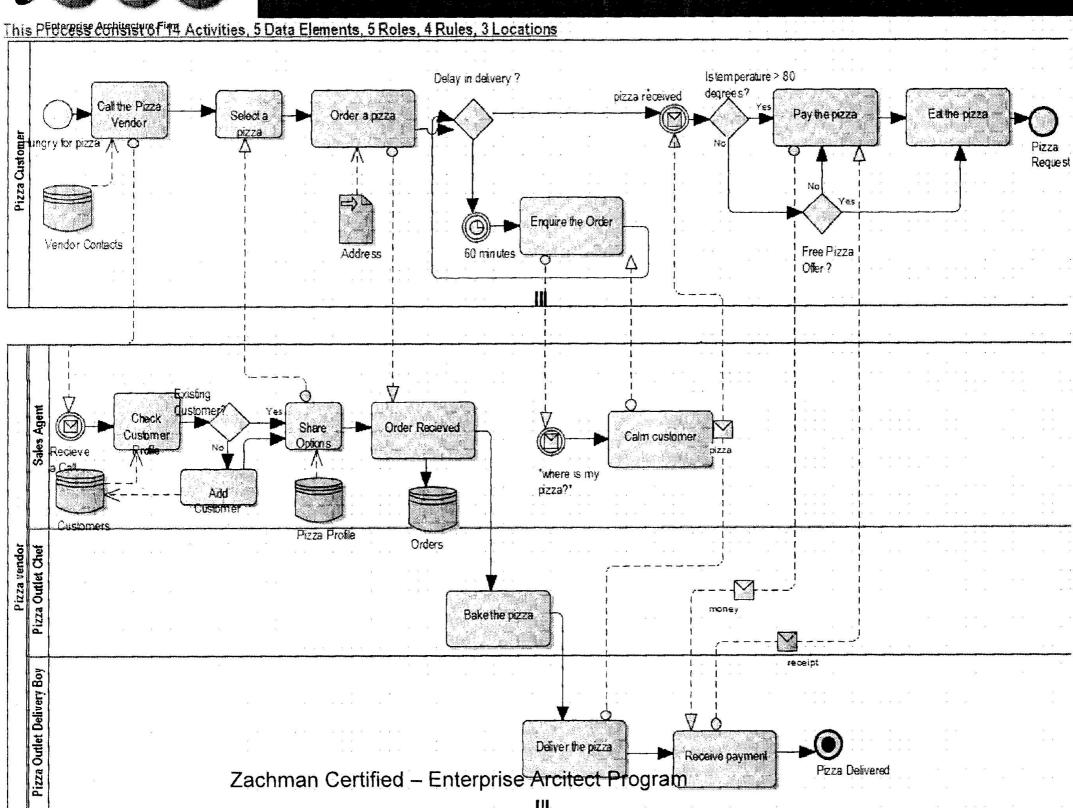
The Enterprise Architect <u>ought to be</u> the DOCTOR and IT is the Technician.

## DEVELOPING STRATEGY ALTERNATIVES

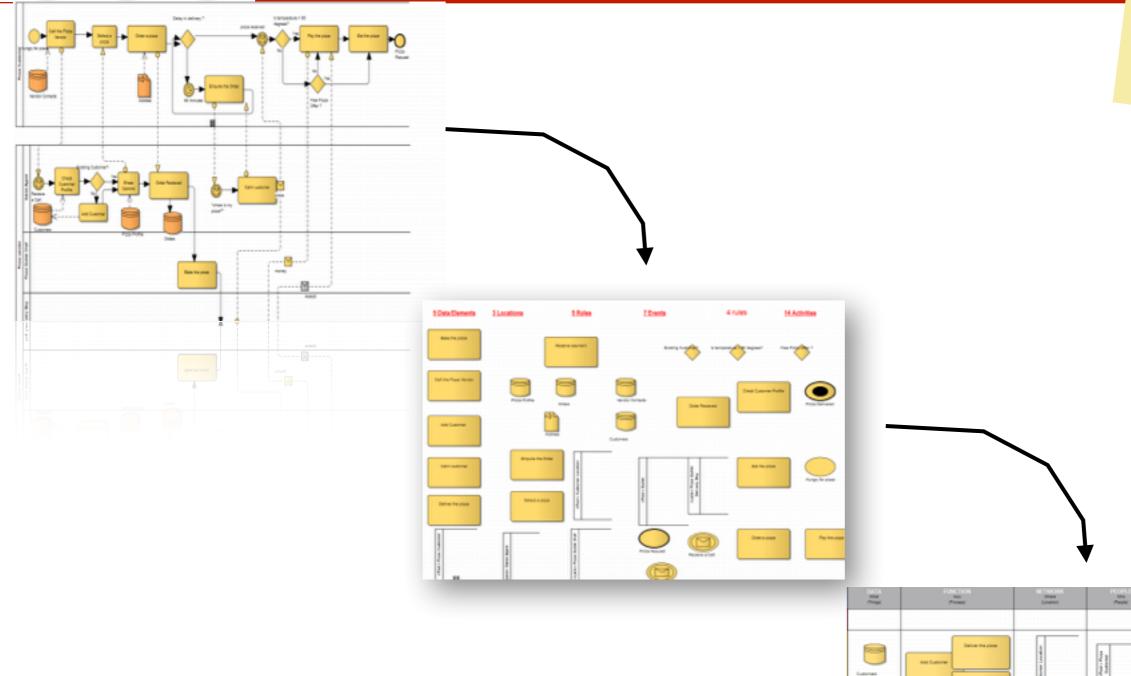
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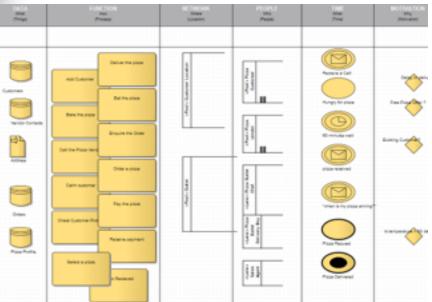






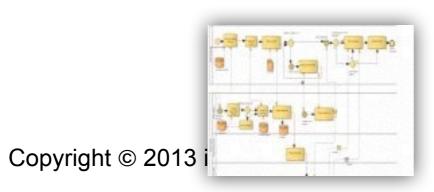
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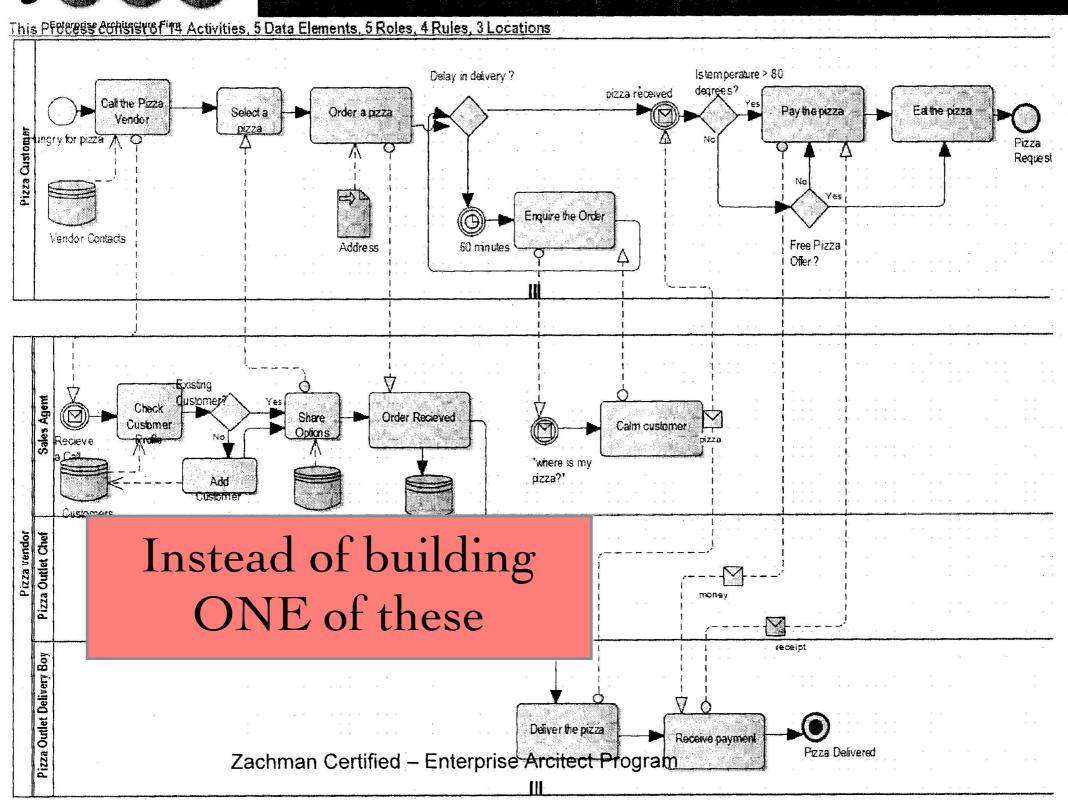




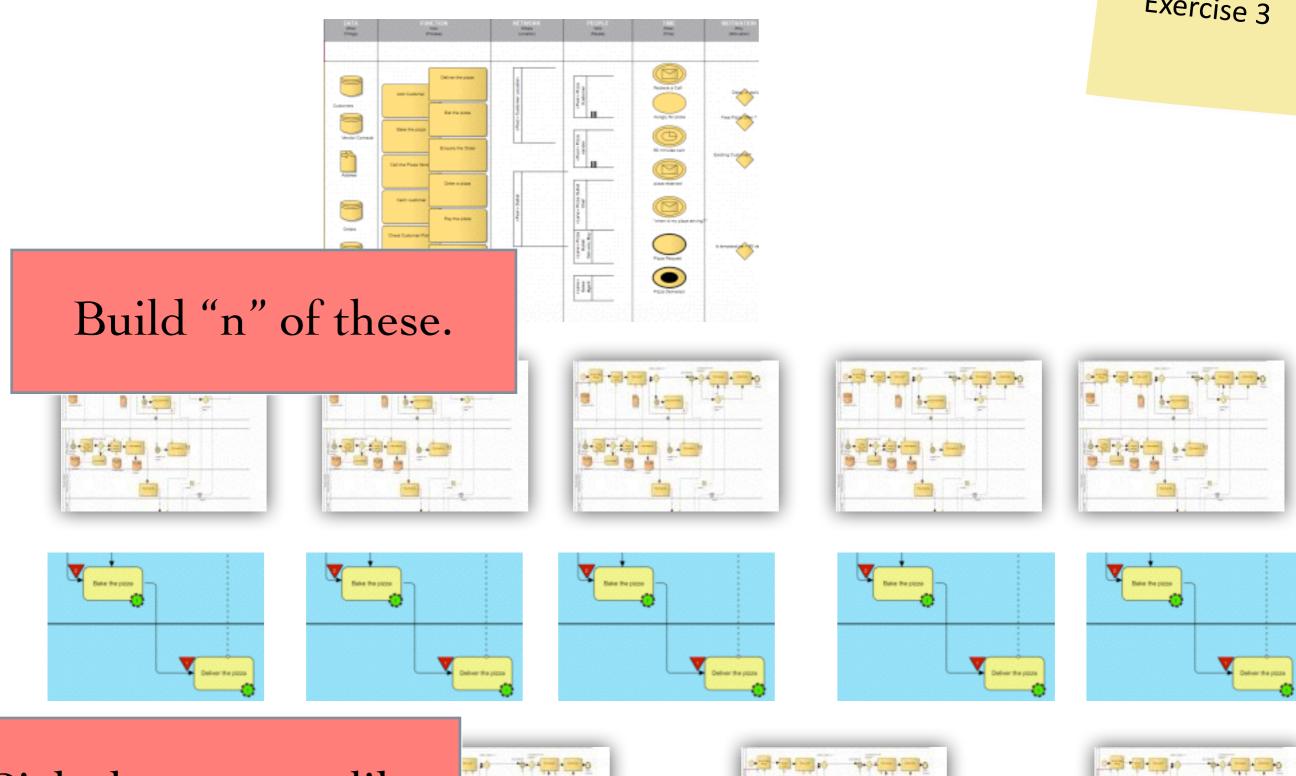




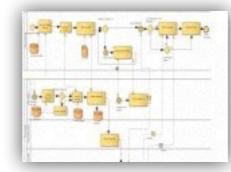
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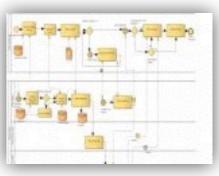












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## DOING ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

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#### Remember! This is a PRIMITIVE (single-variable) Model used for Engineering.

It cannot be used for implementations which require COMPOSITE (multi-variable) Models.

(Some possible COMPOSITE integration relationships may be shown at the periphery of the model. The COMPOSITE implementation "view" would be created by re-using components of other Enterprise-wide, "engineered" PRIMITIVES.

What (Column 1) Inventory Identification

Row 1 Executive Perspective

Note:

Air Transportation Case
Inventories (Entities)
Countable Things (Nouns)
(Likely have serial numbers)
A List - Scope
Level of Detail = High
Abstract (no instances)
As simple as Possible
No Recurring Concepts

Airplanes
Airplane Types
Airports
Gates
Passengers
Seats
Bookings
Employees
Vehicles
Routes
Flights
etc.
10.10

Scope Contexts

Composites
There can be composite
relationships with any or
all other Row 1 Cells and
with the Cell below and
Instances in Row 6.

Row 6 Instances AS IS may or may not have anything to do with Owner's, Designer's, Builders perceptions until those are made explicit and transformed to Row 6.

meant to illustrate the form of the expected Primitive, not necessarily the content.

Note: This sample model is

Inventory

Sets

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## ENTERPRISE FRAMEWORK

#### Remember! This is a PRIMITIVE (single-variable) Model used for Engineering.

It cannot be used for implementations which require COMPOSITE (multi-variable) Models.

(Some possible COMPOSITE integration relationships may be shown at the periphery of the model. The COMPOSITE implementation "view" would be created by re-using components of other Enterprise-wide, "engineered" PRIMITIVES.

How (Column 2) Process Identification

Row 1 Executive Perspective

Note:

Air Transportation Case
Processes (Transformations)
 (Transitive Verb-Object)
A List - Scope
Level of Detail = High
Abstract (no instances)
As simple as possible
No Recurring Concepts

Acquire Routes
Schedule Flights
Sell Bookings
Reserve Seats
Train Employees
Fly Airplanes
Schedule Crews
Repair Facilities
Develop Markets
Maintain Airplanes
etc.

Scope Contexts

Composites
There can be composite relationships with any or all other Row 1 Cells and with the Cell below and Instances in Row 6.

Row 6 Instances AS IS may or may not have anything to do with Owner's, Designer's, Builders perceptions until those are made explicit and transformed to Row 6.

Note: This sample model is meant to illustrate the form of the expected Primitive, not necessarily the content.

Process

Flows

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### **Inventory Sets**

#### **Process Flows**

#### Distr. Networks

Airplanes Airplane Types Airports Gates Passengers Shareholders Local Carriers Seats Bookings Routes Employees Vehicles Flights etc.

Acquire Routes Schedule Flights Reserve Seats Train Employees Fly Airplanes Schedule Crews Repair Facilities Develop Markets Maint. Airplanes Load Airplanes Release Flights Develop Flt. Plans ScheduleMaint. etc.

Airplane Network Parts Distr. Net. Communications Freight Net. Airport Network (Runways, etc.) Regulatory Net. Passenger Net. Personnel Net. Catering Net. etc.

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### Respon Assmts

### Timing Cycles

#### Motive Intent.

Pilots Co-pilots Engineers Flt. Attend. Reservations Aircraft Maint. Flight Scheduling Airport Ops.Mgt Customer Service Marketing Sales Flight Dispatch Accounting etc.

Flight Cycle Customer Cycle Maintenance Cyc. Telephone Wait C. Plane Turnaround De-Icing Cycle Air Traffic Cntl. C. Tarmac Cycle Airplane Cycle Bag Handling C. (TSA) Cycle Planning Cycle Budget Cycle etc.

Equip. Utilization New Markets Revenue Growth Exp. Reduction Cust Convenience Cust. Satisfaction Labor Contracts Regulatory Comp New Capital Load Factor Route Optimize Flight Expansion Acquisition -2013 John A. Zachman, Zachman International®

## THE KEY

- 1. Single-variable, precisely unique, relevant (not arbitrary), ontologically-based components.
- 2. Binary Relationships (only two components at a time).

INTRODUCTION TO ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

METHODOLOGY
FOR SOLVING
GENERAL MANAGEMENT
PROBLEMS

### THE PROCESS

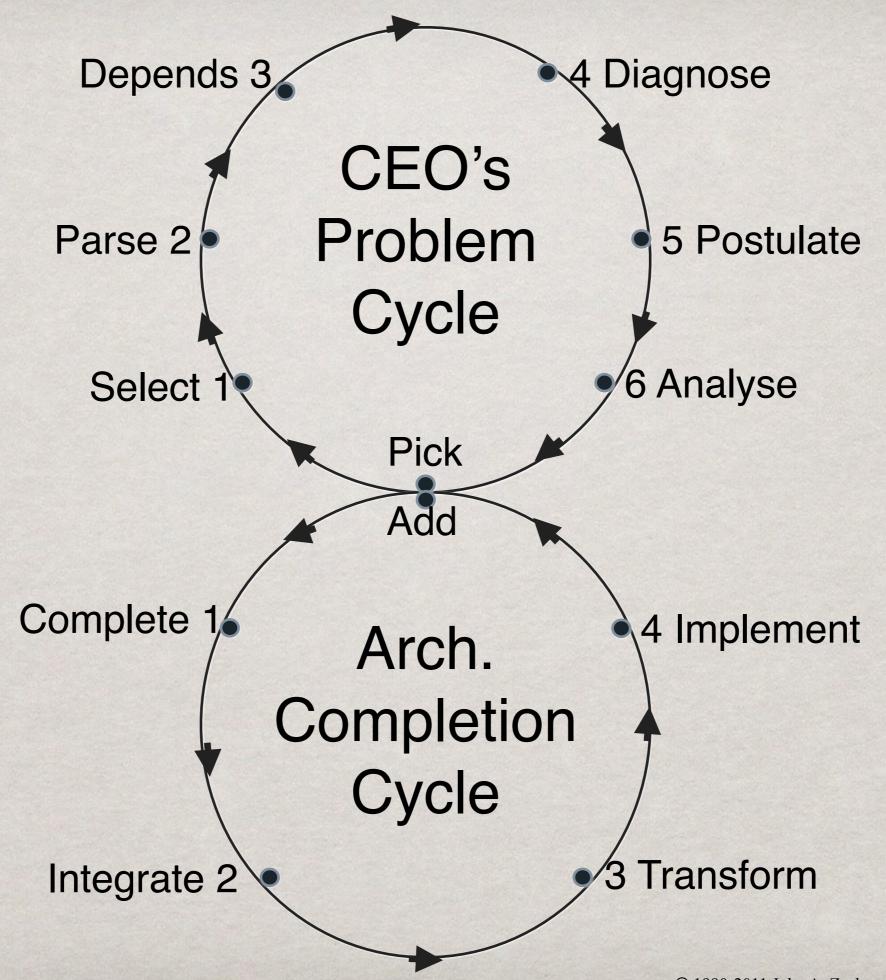
- 1. Select General Management Problem.
- 2. Factor out Primitive (Single-variable) Components, sort into ZF Cells (make Lists).
- 3. Define "binary" (only two at a time) dependencies (horizontal and vertical) between Primitive (Single-variable) Components.
- 4. Create Composite (Multi-varible) "snapshot" of problem area and diagnose.
- 5. Pose new Composite (Multi-variable) scenarios (change Lists and/or change dependencies) and re-compose.
- 6. Add time and cost to Primitive (**Single-variable**) Components and simulate alternatives.

(At this point CEO can pick solution and assign responsibilities for implementing the "quick-fix" solution.)

## THE PROCESS (CONT.)

Pick subsequent General Management Problem(s) and iterate through Steps 1 - 6

- 7. Pick several Cells in different Columns and assign modeling experts to build out complete (thing-relationship-thing) Primitive (**Single-variable**) Models, verifying horizontal alignment.
- 8. Create complete Composite (Multi-variable) integration for Row ensuring alignment.
- 9. Have Columnar modeling experts transform Primitive (**Single-variable**) Models to next Cell below ensuring "alignment" and iterate until all Cells in the Column are transformed and aligned vertically.
- 10. Transform Row 5 Primitives (**Single-variables**) to Row 6 implementations (**Multi-variables**) using either machines (automated) or people (manual).
- 11. Analyze next problem adding to/reusing Primitives, Steps 7 11.



## THE PROCESS (CONT.)

- 12. Institutionalize this process and govern Architecture as follows:
  - a. prohibit redundancy except where explicitly controlled.
  - b. maintain horizontal and vertical alignment
  - c. use Primitive (Single-variable) Model inventory as base for managing ENTERPRISE changes.
  - d. ensure EVERY new implementation Composite reuses components of Primitive models and migrate legacy to Architected Enterprise. (See Workshop "Migration Strategy".)
- 13. Acquire subject matter expertise for building additional Primitive (Single-variable) Models to be added to the Enterprise Architecture capability inventory.

## Key: Single-Variable, PRIMITIVE Models, and Binary Relationships

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Note: This is the same process, somewhat abbreviated, and executed by students in the 4 day Zachman Level 1 Certification Workshop.

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## CONCLUSIONS

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## CHALLENGE TO ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTS

Reframe the concept of Enterprise Architecture ...

It is not about building models!

It is about solving Enterprise problems while iteratively and incrementally building out the inventory of complete, reusable, Primitive Models that constitute:

Enterprise Architecture.

## 1965 SYSTEMS PROBLEMS

- 1. Didn't meet Requirements. (not "aligned")
- 2. The data was no good:

Not consistent from system to system.

Not accurate.

Not accessible.

Too late.

- 3. Couldn't change the system. (Inflexible)
- 4. Couldn't change the technology. (Not adaptable)
- 5. Couldn't change the business. (Couldn't change the system or the technology so couldn't change business.)
- 6. Little new development (80% \$ for maintenance)
- 7. Took too long.
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## IT'S FUNNY...

COBOL didn't fix those problems!

MVS didn't fix those problems!
Virtual Memory didn't fix those problems!

IMS, DB2, Oracle, Sybase, Access, Fortran, PL/1, ADA, C++, Visual Basic, JAVA 2, 360's, 390's, MPP's, DEC VAX's, H200's, Crays, PC's, MAC's, Distributed Processing, didn't fix those problems!

Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Outlook Express, eMAIL, DOS, Windows 95, 98, 2000, NT, ME, XP, Unix, Linux, Object Oriented, COM, DCOM, CORBA, EDI, HTML, XML, UML, the Internet, B2B, B2C, Portals, Browsers didn't fix those problems!

IEF, IEW, ADW, ERWIN, POPKIN, Rational, Casewise, Rochade, Platinum, Design Bank, Data Warehouse, SAP, Baan, Peoplesoft, Oracle Financials, BSP, ISP, EAP, EAI didn't fix those problems!

And, I doubt that Web Services, .Net, Agile Programming, Service Oriented Architecture, Cloud Computing, BigData or I.B.Watson (whoever that is) is going to fix the problems.

IT MAKES ONE WONDER IF THERE ACTUALLY IS A TECHNICAL SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEMS!!!

### ENGINEERING PROBLEM

I'm not saying that there is anything wrong with any of these technologies.

In fact, any or all of them may well be very good ...

In fact, you may not be able to solve the Enterprise problem without employing some of these technologies.

However, The Enterprise problem is an ENGINEERING problem, NOT a technical problem.

My perception is that it is going to take actual work, ENGINEERING work, to solve the problems. My plan would be to start building out an inventory of models, PRIMITIVE MODELS, iteratively and incrementally, engineering them for alignment, integration, flexibility, reduced time-to-market, etc., etc.

What would be YOUR plan for solving the problems???

## APPENDIX

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# CLASSIFICATION RULES

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## COLUMN

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## "What" Column Inventory Sets

This Column is descriptive of Enterprise Inventories - things the Enterprise counts, sufficiently significant that the Enterprise will keep inventory records of them (data records at Row 3).

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Inventories =

Countable Things =

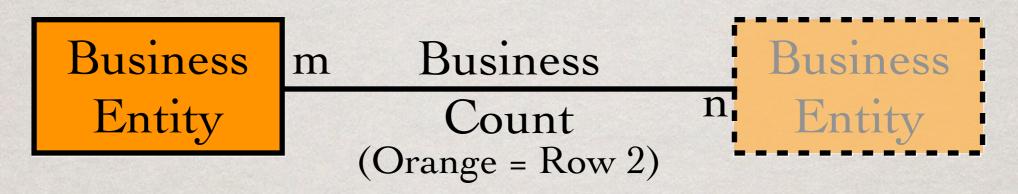
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Nouns =

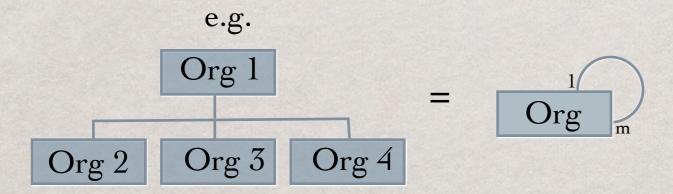
"Business Entities"
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Test: The instances at Row 6 will have serial numbers.

#### Inventory Definition Meta Model



This kind of model is good for describing structural relationships including hierarchies, decompositions (generalizations, subtypes, 4th normal form) and aggregations (5th normal form).



(Note: This type of model is no good for describing flows, or locations, or responsibilities, or time or motivations. If you add those characteristics to this type of model, you have created a Composite. These "Composites" are created from "integrations".)

Business Entity
Business Relationship

## "How" Column Process Flows

This Column is descriptive of Enterprise Process Flows - Processes (Transformations) the Enterprise performs.

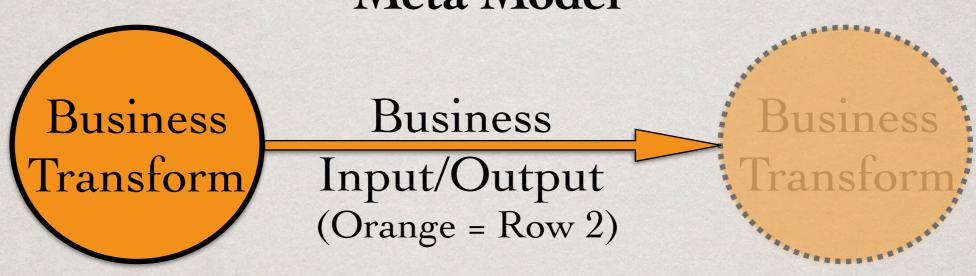
Typically expressed as a transitive verb-object.

Test: The instances at Row 6 will be actual Transformations being performed by people or machines.

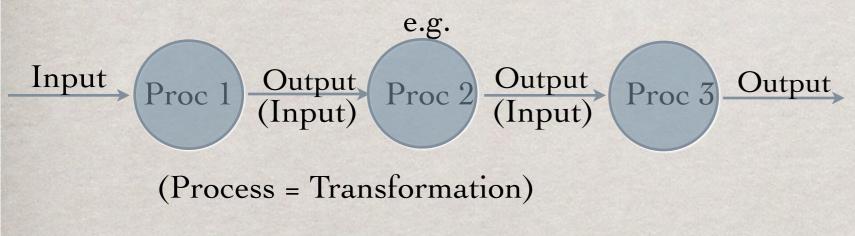
(Take something in,

do something to it, send something different out.)

#### Process Definition Meta Model



This kind of model is good for describing flows, resource flows, information flows, etc.



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#### Business Transform Business Input/Output

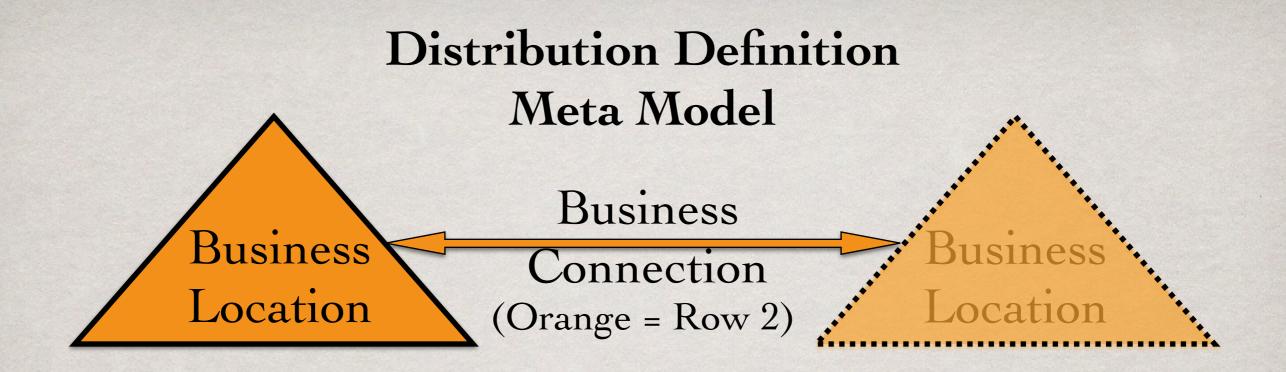
#### "Where" Column

#### Distribution Networks

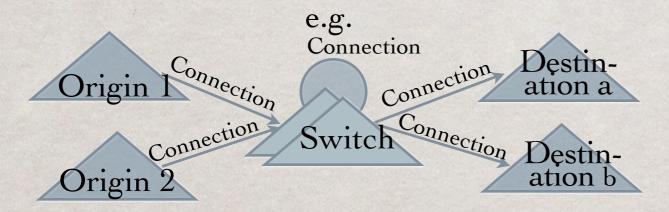
This Column is descriptive of Enterprise Distribution Networks the Enterprise employs for storage and transportation.

Networks = Locations for storage and connections for transportation.

Test: The instances at Row 6 will have Latitude and Longitude (and, maybe altitude).



This kind of model is good for describing locations and connections: networks.



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## **Business Location Business Connection**

#### "Who" Column

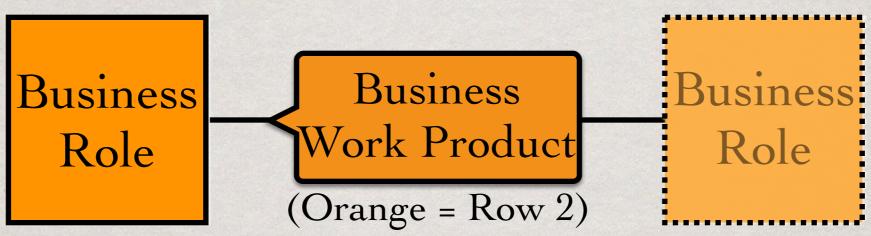
#### Responsibility Assignments

This Column is descriptive of Enterprise Responsibility
Assignments

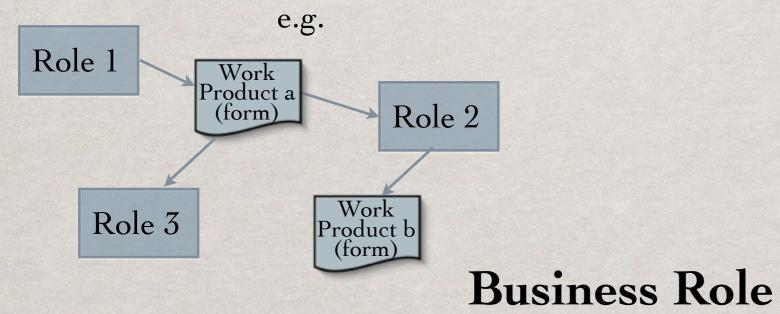
Roles - Innate Abilities or Learned Skills of individuals to which the Enterprise assigns responsibilities for producing specific Work Products, i.e. Assignments (e.g. Reports, Decisions, Telephone Calls, Repairs, etc.).

Test: The instances at Row 6 will be Roles (i.e. abilities, learned skills) of identifiable individuals and they likely will have a SIC Code (Standard Industrial Classification).

#### Responsibility Definition Meta Model



This kind of model is good for describing Responsibilities: Roles (or, maybe "capabilities") and Work Products (Work Product FORMAT ... not Work Product Content ... content is an "integration" from an Output in Column 2. The Enterprise cares that the Work Product is created, fulfilling the responsibility.



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**Business Work Product** 

## "When" Column

**Timing Cycles** 

This Column is descriptive of Enterprise Timing Cycles

Timing Cycles sufficiently significant that the Enterprise records them.

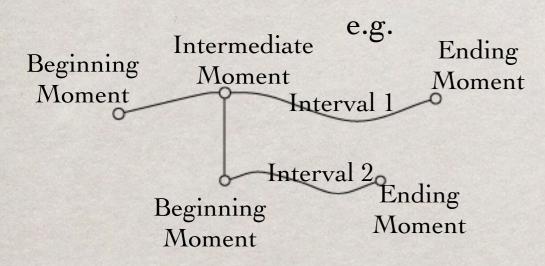
Test: The instances at Row 6 have actual clock/calendar times (Points in Time and Lengths of Time).

## Timing Definition Meta Model



(Orange = Row 2)

This kind of model is good for describing points in time (Moments) and lengths of time (Intervals): Timing Cycles.



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#### Business Interval Business Moment

## "Why" Column Motivation Identification

This Column is descriptive of Enterprise Motivation Intentions to change the "status quo" "Ends" (Objectives)... Enterprise State Changes "Means" (Strategies) ... changes to the state of Inventory Levels (including Products, Services, etc.) Transformation Yields (including Manual, Automation, etc.) Distribution Capacities (including Sources, Markets, etc.) Role Assignments (internal, external, etc.), Cycle Times, et cetera.

Test: The instances at Row 6 have quantifiable targets.

#### Motivation Definition Meta Model

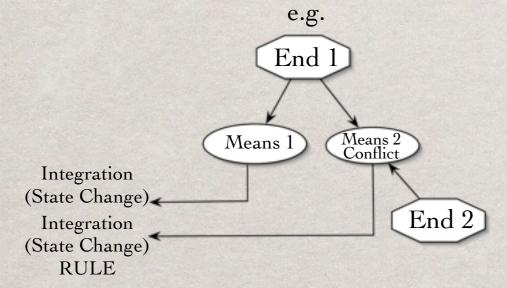


Business

Means (Orange = Row 2)



This kind of model is good for describing Ends (Objectives) and Means (Strategies) and forcing identification of the risks of changes to the states of architectural constructs due to conflicts in Objectives. The risks are mitigated by "Rules" that are the integration between the Motivation Means and the various architectural components.



Business End Business Means

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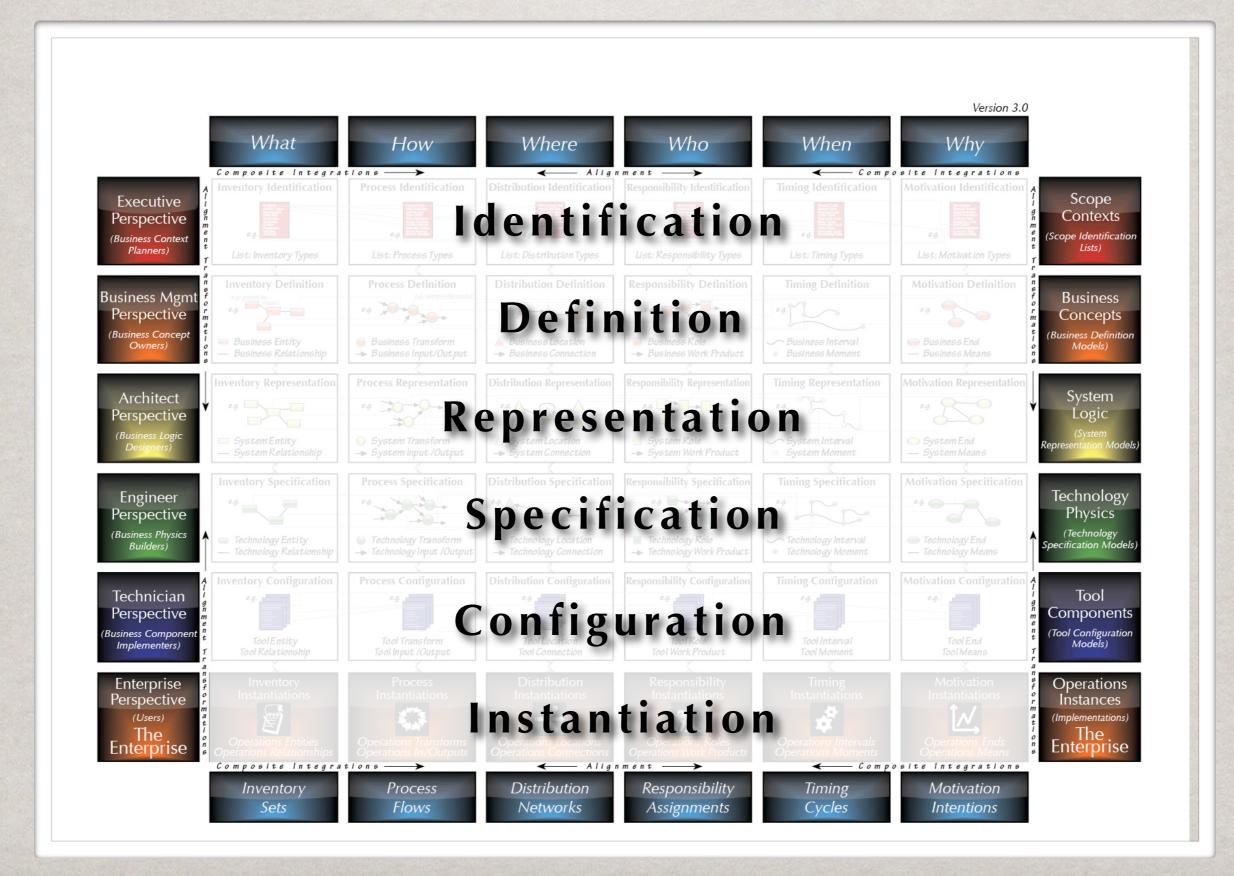
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#### The Framework for **Enterprise** Architecture

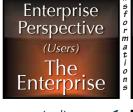


## REIFICATION



#### The Zachman Framework for Enterprise Architecture™

The Enterprise Ontology ™ Version 3.0 Classification Classification Names Names What How Where Who When Why Audience Model **Perspectives** Names Composite Integrations Composite Integrations Responsibility Identification **Inventory Identification Process Identification** Distribution Identification **Timing Identification Motivation Identification** Scope Executive Contexts Perspective **Identification Boundaries Scope Contexts** Scope Identification (Business Context Planners) **Responsibility Definition Inventory Definition Process Definition Distribution Definition Timing Definition Motivation Definition Business Mgmt** Business **Definition Semantics Business Concepts** Perspective Concepts (Business Concept **Business Definition** Distribution Representation **Motivation Representation** Inventory Representation **Process Representation** Responsibility Representation **Timing Representation** System Architect Representation System Logic Records Perspective Logic (Business Logic Representation Models **Inventory Specification Process Specification** Distribution Specification Responsibility Specification **Motivation Specification Timing Specification** Engineer Technology **Specification Technology Physics Files** Physics Perspective (Business Physics pecification Models, Distribution Configuration **Responsibility Configuration Inventory Configuration Process Configuration Timing Configuration Motivation Configuration** Technician Tool Vendors Perspective **Configuration** Tool Components Components (Tool Configuration Business Component Models) *Implementers*)



Audience Perspectives Enterprise Names



Inventory

Sets





















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

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The Enterprise Ontology ™



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