

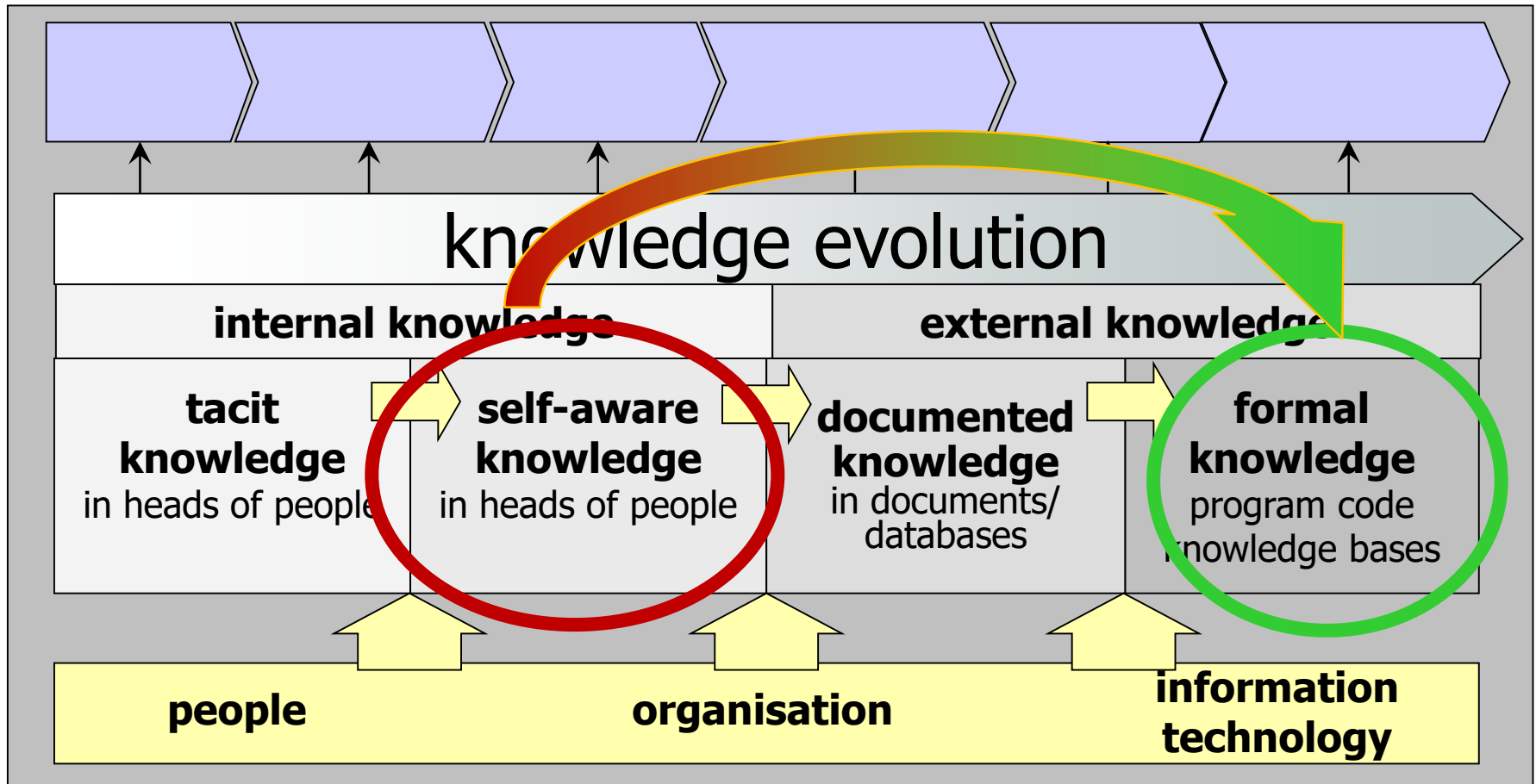


# *Modelling and Metamodelling*

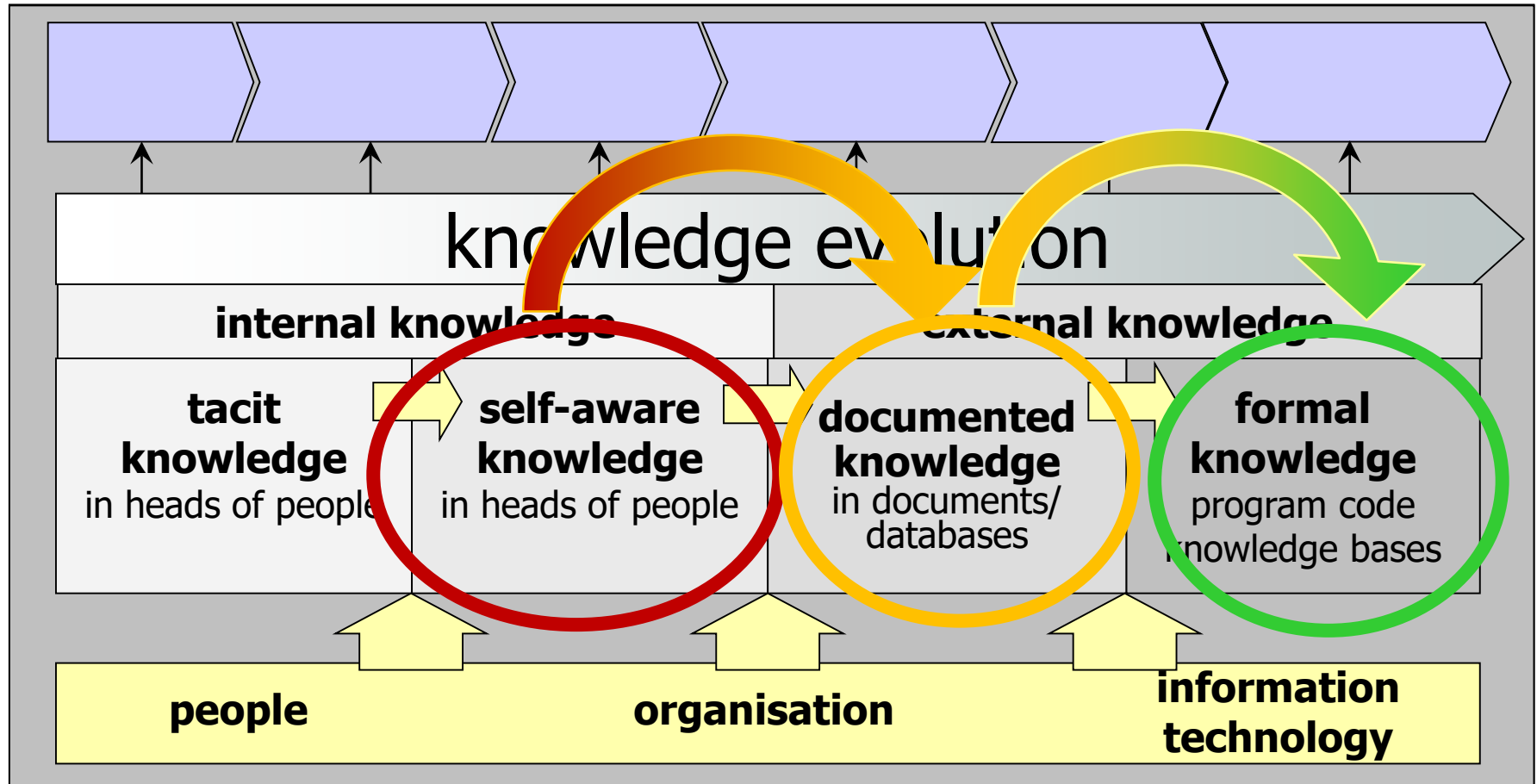
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# Ontology Engineering



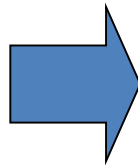
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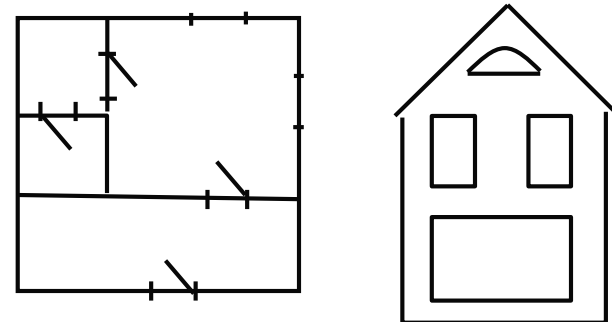
# Models

- A Model is a reproduction of a *relevant* part of reality which contains the essential aspects to be investigated.
- Relevance depends on the
  - ◆ purpose (also called concern or goal)
  - ◆ stakeholders

real object



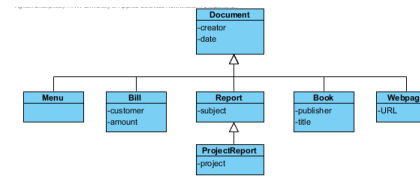
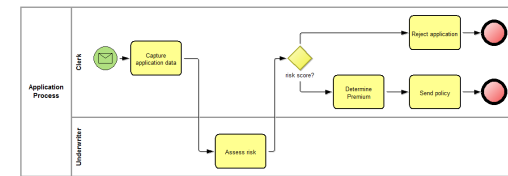
models (plan)



# Models

- There can be different kinds of models
  - ◆ textual model
  - ◆ graphical model
  - ◆ conceptual models
  - ◆ mathematical model
  - ◆ physical model

**The Application Process**  
 In the business process for health insurance, first the application data are captured by the clerk. Then the risk assessment is made by the underwriter. Depending on the risk score, the clerk determines the premiums and sends the policy or the application is rejected.



$$E = m c^2$$



# *Visual Communication*

- A picture is worth a thousand words
- Graphical Models are easier to understand than text



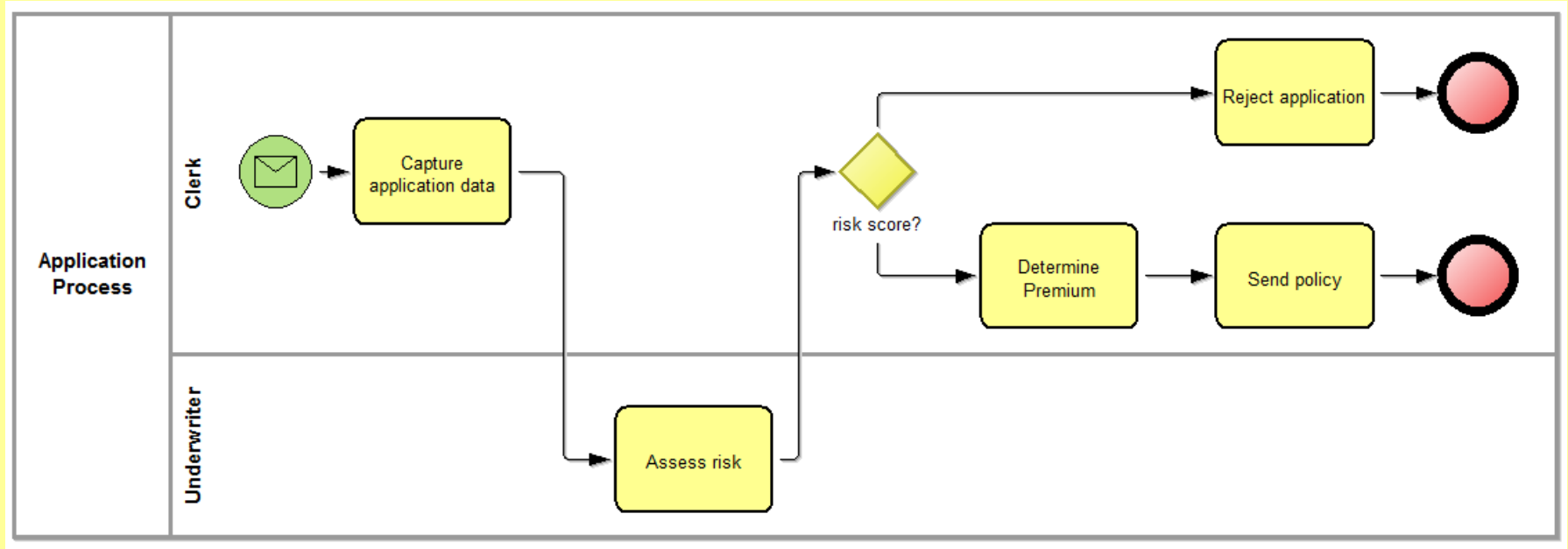
# Experiment: Text vs. Model (1)

Process description:

*In the business process for health insurance application, the application data are captured by the clerk. Then the underwriter makes the risk assessment. Depending on the risk score, the clerk determines the premiums and sends the policy or the application is rejected.*

- Is «application is captured» a task or an event?
- Which tasks are executed in parallel?
- Who rejects the application?

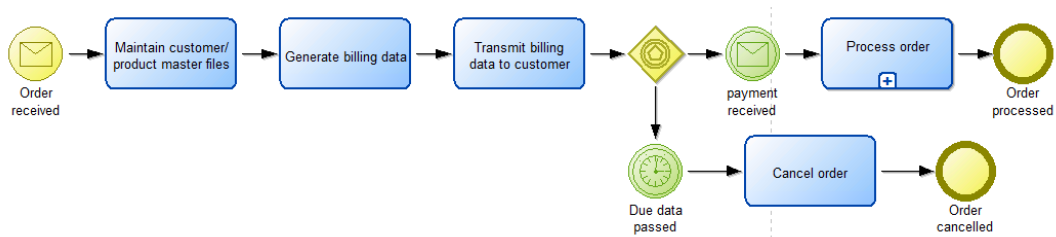
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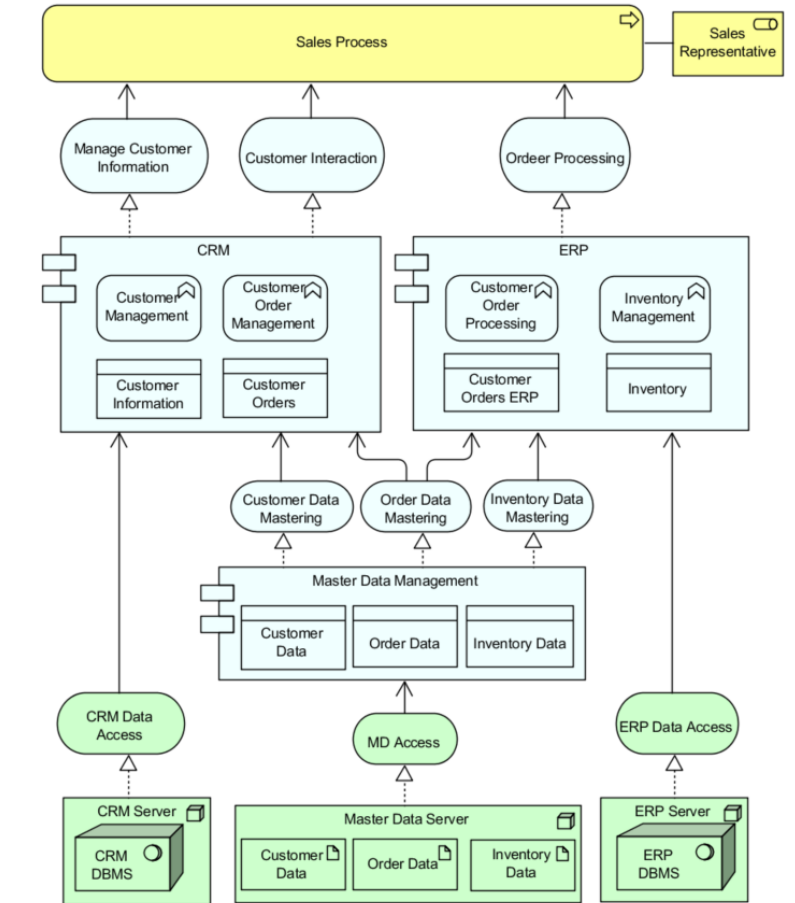
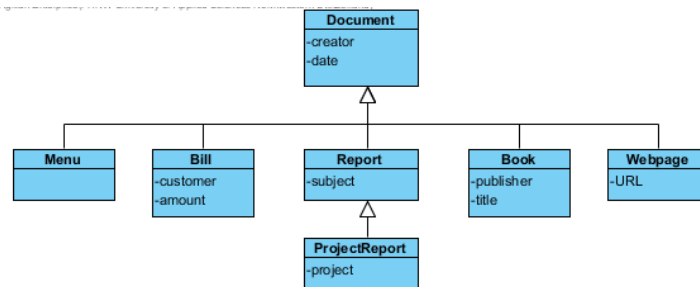
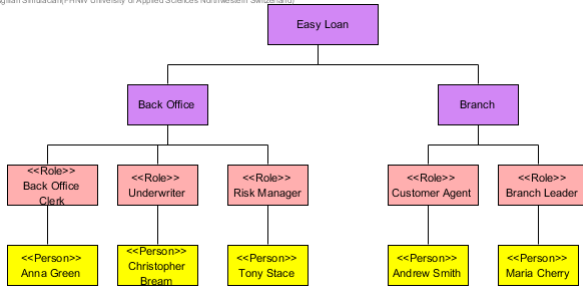
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# Enterprise Models

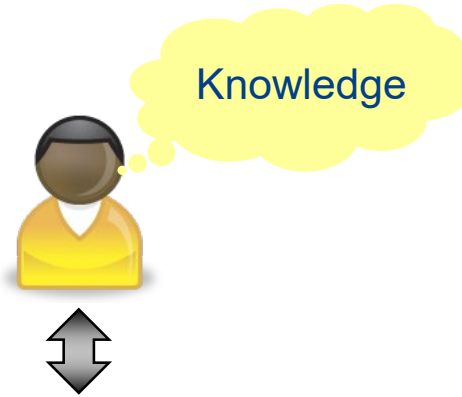


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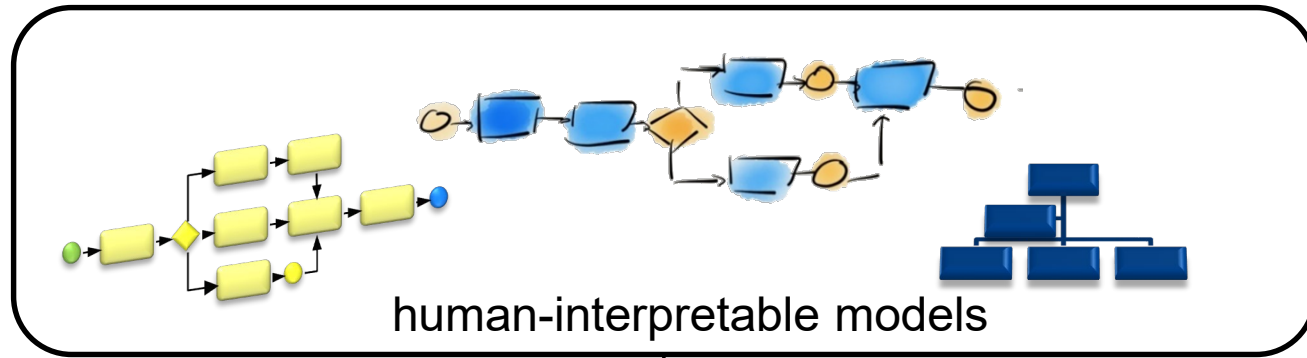


# Human Problem Solving

*Communication/  
Analysis/  
Decision Making*



*Models*



*Reality*



# Models and Modelling

## Model

A reproduction of the part of reality which contains the essential aspects to be investigated.

## Modelling

Describing and representing all relevant aspects of a domain in a defined *modelling language*.

Result of modelling is a model.

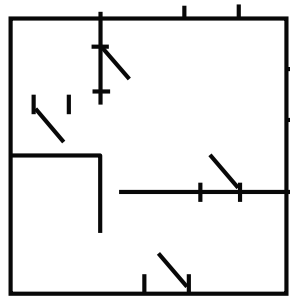
# Model in Architecture

**real object**



house

**model**



architect's drawing  
(plan)

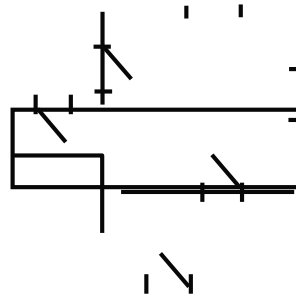
# Model and Modelling Language in Architecture

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house

**model**



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**modelling language**  
(concrete syntax)

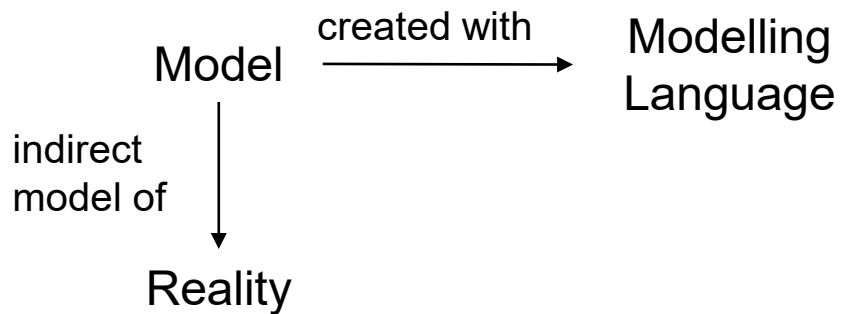
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— wall

⊥ door

+—+ window

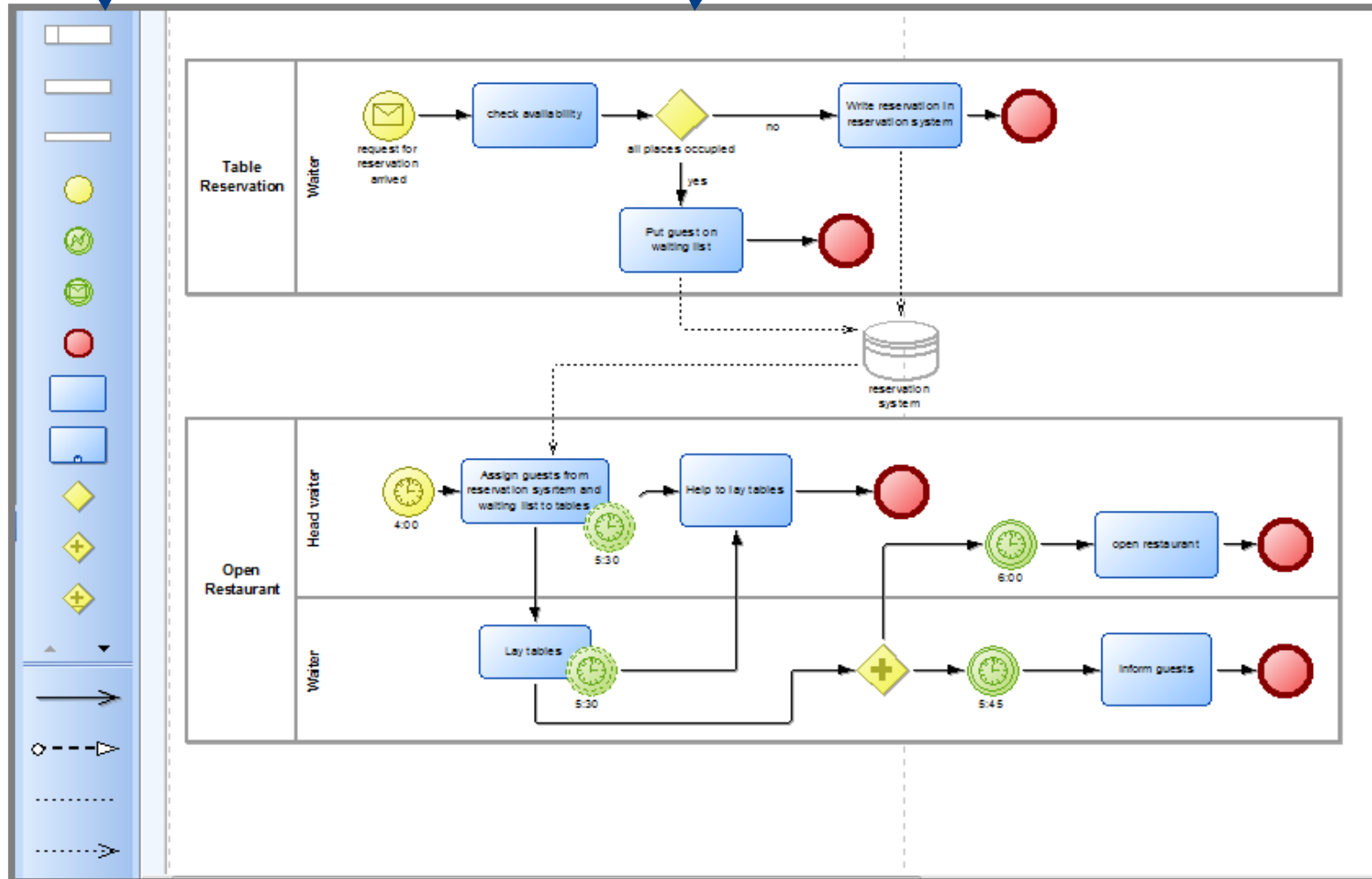
# Modelling Language



- A modelling "language" specifies the building blocks (elements) from which a model can be made.
- There can be different types of modelling languages, depending on the kind of model
  - ◆ graphical model
  - ◆ textual description
  - ◆ mathematical model
  - ◆ conceptual model

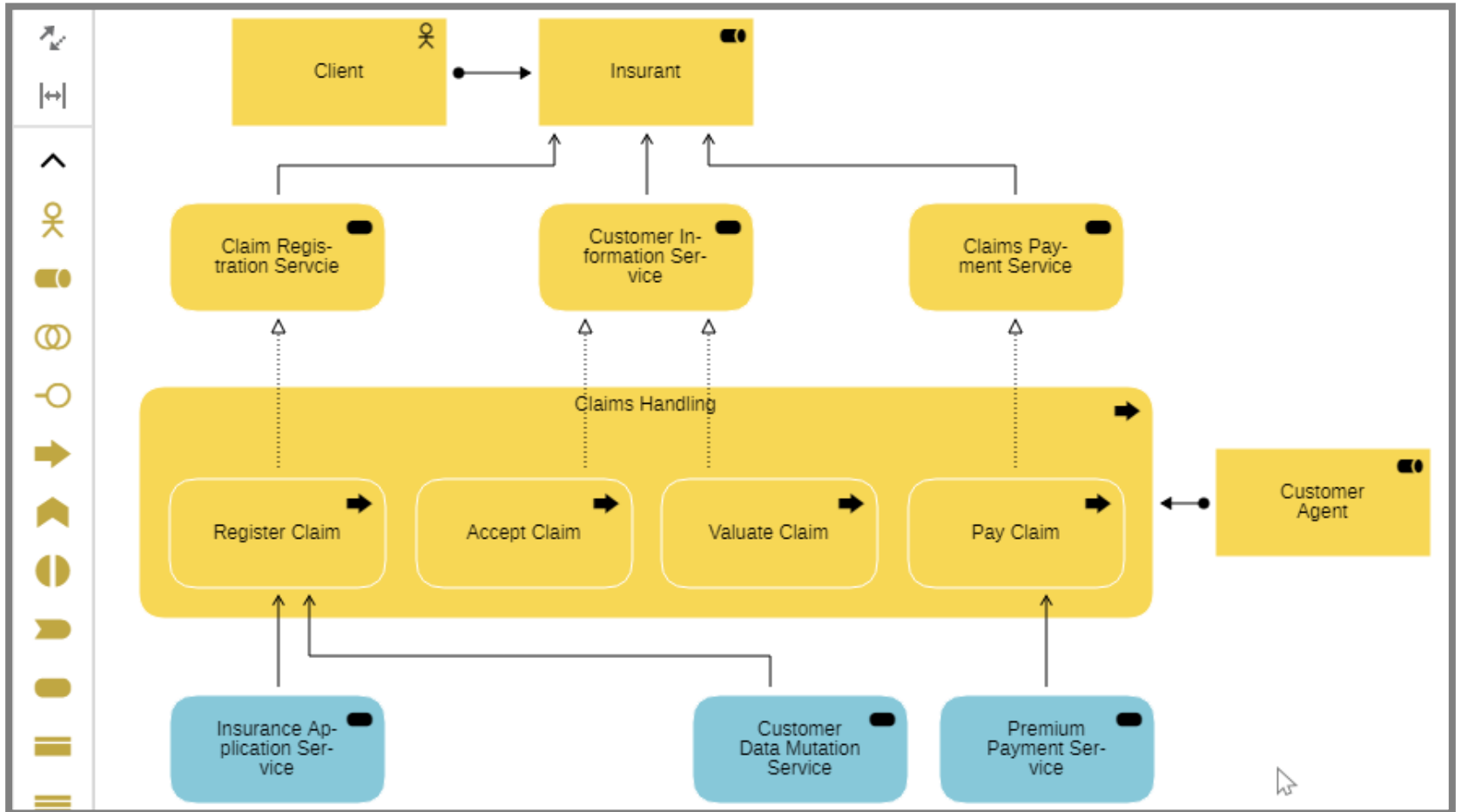
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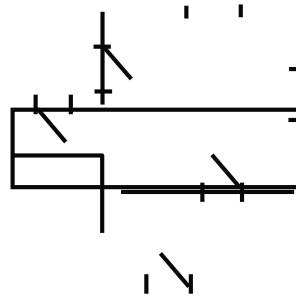
# Model and Meta-Model in Architecture

## real object



house

## model



architect's drawing  
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## modelling language (concrete syntax)

object types:

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## meta-model (abstract syntax)

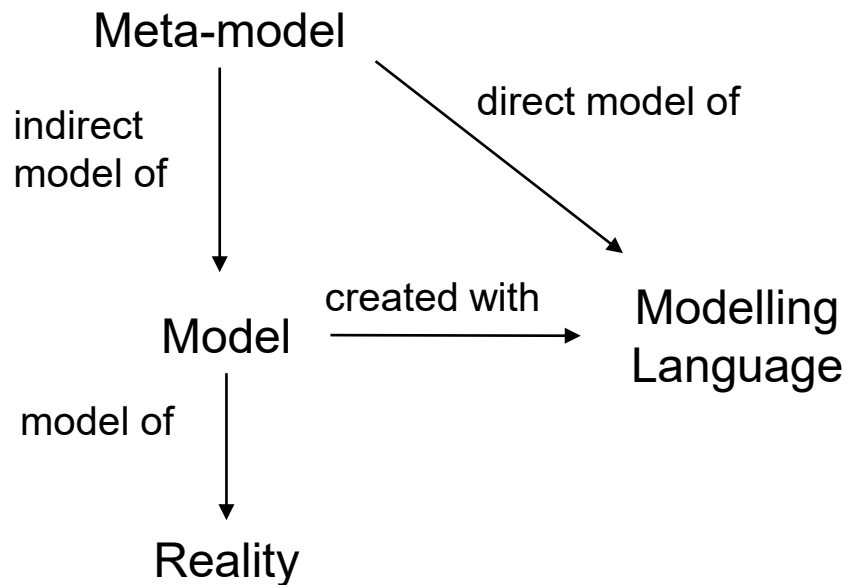
object types:

- wall
- door
- window

rules:

- a door is adjacent to a wall on both sides
- Windows are on outer walls.

# Meta-model



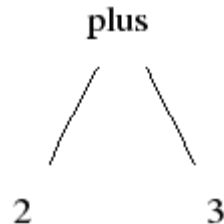
A meta-model defines the semantics of the modelling language, i.e. the building blocks that can be used to make a model. It defines the

- ◆ object types that can be used to represent a model
  - ◆ relations between object types
  - ◆ attributes of the object types
  - ◆ rules to combine object types and relations
- The meta-model is the abstract syntax, the modelling language is the concrete syntax.

# Meta Model vs Model Language = Abstract vs. Concrete Syntax

## Abstract Syntax

- Deep structure of a language.
- What are the significant parts of the expression?
- Example: a sum expression has two operand expressions as its significant parts



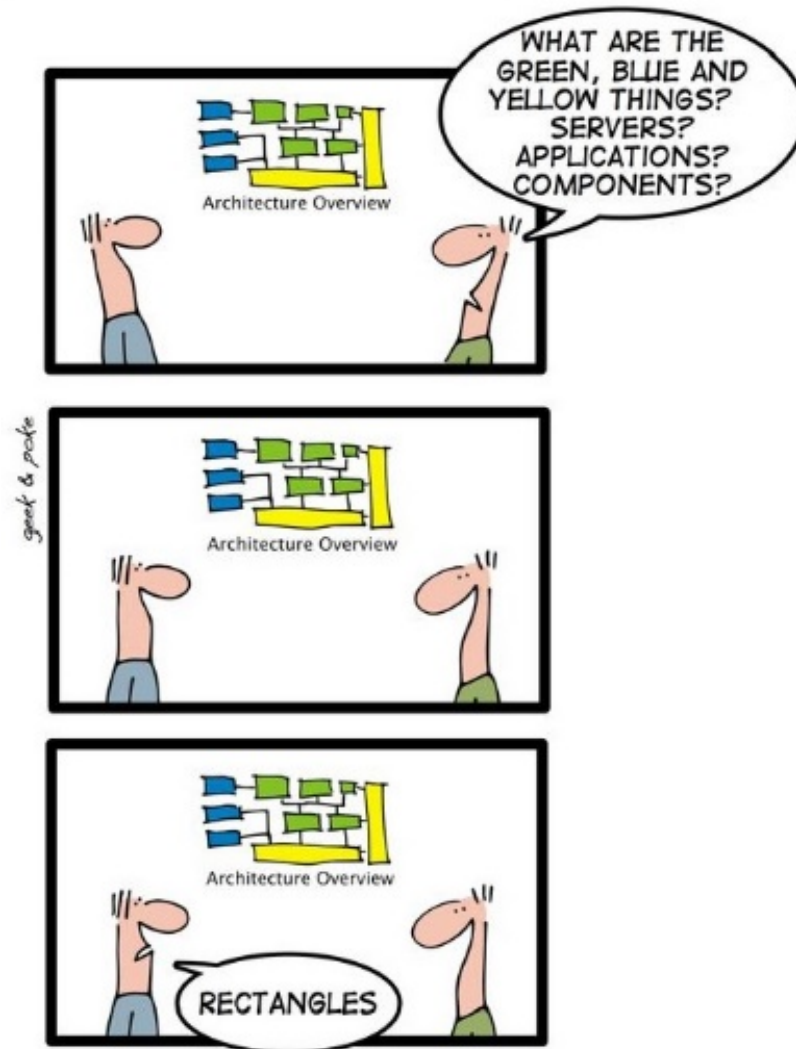
## Concrete Syntax

- Surface level of a language.
- What does the expression look like?

Example: *the same* sum expression can look in different ways:

<code>2 + 3</code>	<code>-- infix</code>
<code>(+ 2 3)</code>	<code>-- prefix</code>
<code>(2 3 +)</code>	<code>-- postfix</code>
<code>bipush 2</code> <code>bipush 3</code> <code>iadd</code>	<code>-- JVM</code>
<code>the sum of 2 and 3</code>	<code>-- English</code>

# What is the Meaning (Semantics) of a Modelling Language?



# Metamodel and Modelling Language

## Metamodel

- The *metamodel* defines the modelling elements (concepts, relations) and their semantics (= meaning)
  - ◆ WHAT can be modeled
- The *metamodel* corresponds to the *abstract syntax*

## Modelling language

- The *modelling language* defines the notation/appearance of the modelling elements
  - ◆ HOW can it be modeled
- The *modelling language* corresponds to the *concrete syntax*

# Illustration: Meta-model and Model for Processes

## Metamodel:

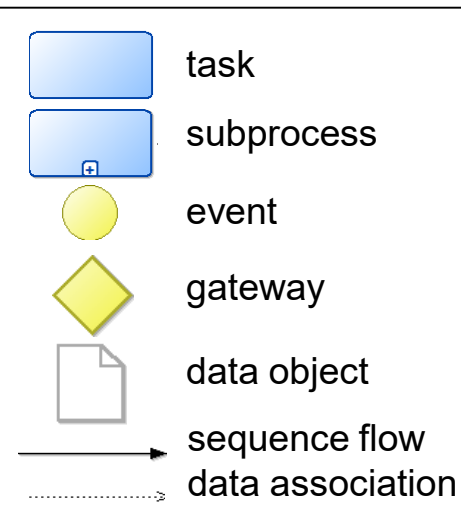
Abstract syntax:  
Concepts and relations  
which can be used to create  
models.

Example: A process model  
consists of concepts for

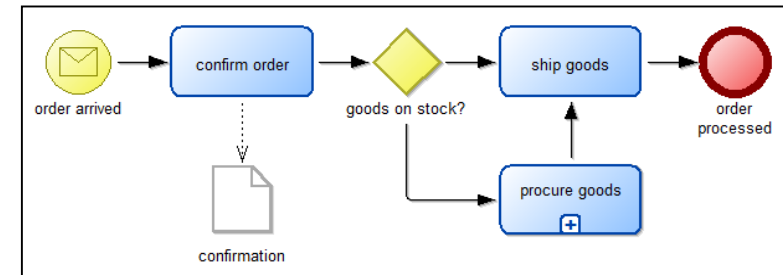
- «task», «subprocess»,  
«event», «gateway»,  
«data object»  
and relations for
- «sequence flow»,  
«data association».

## Modelling Language:

Concrete syntax:  
Notation/appearance of  
meta-model elements



## Model:

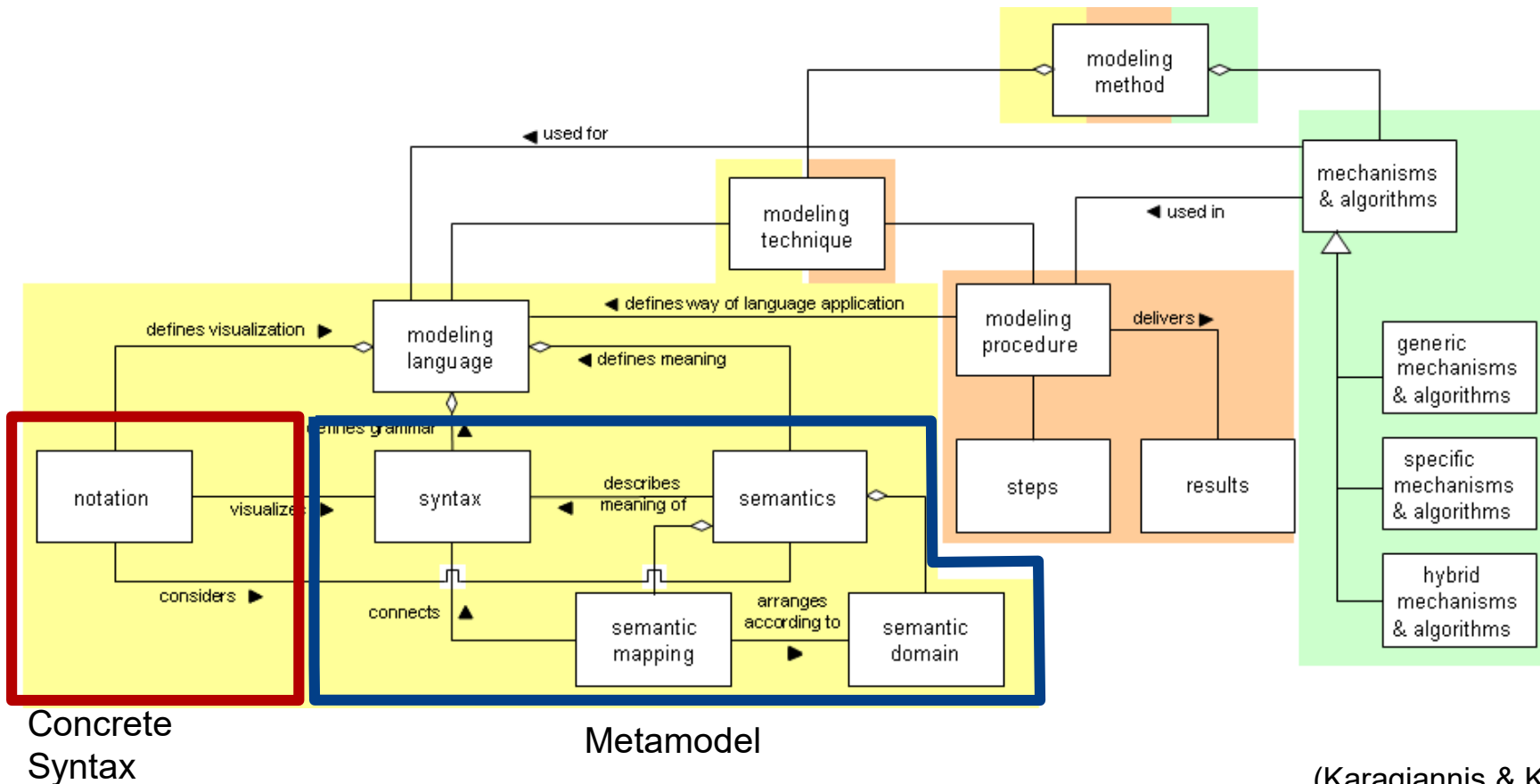


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# Components of Modelling Methods

A Modelling Language is Part of a Modelling Modelling

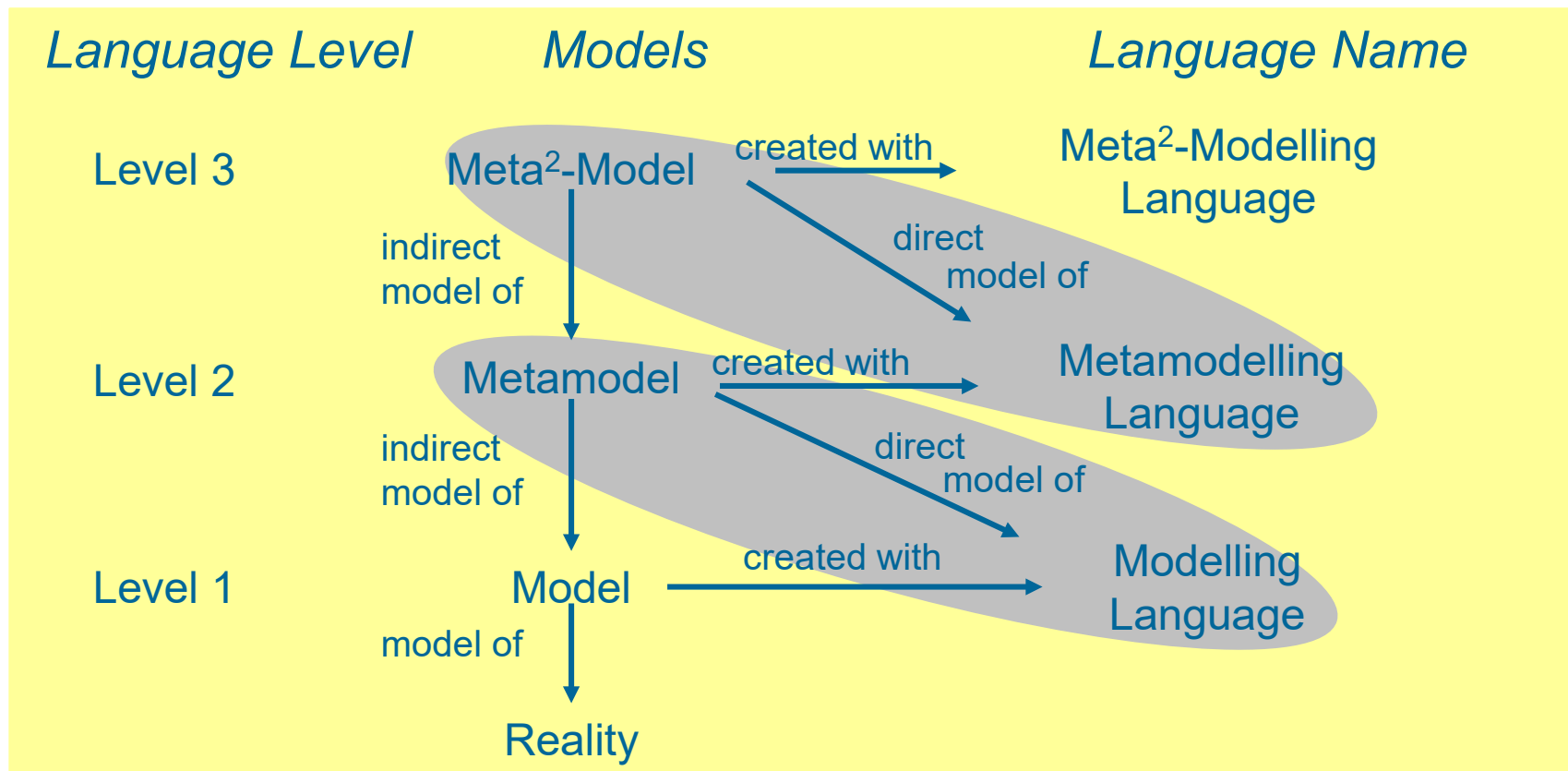
A Modelling Language consists of the Metamodel (Abstract Syntax and Semantics) and the Notation



(Karagiannis & Kühn 2002)

# Meta Model Hierarchy

The meta-model must again be described in some language, which has to be specified in a meta-meta-model



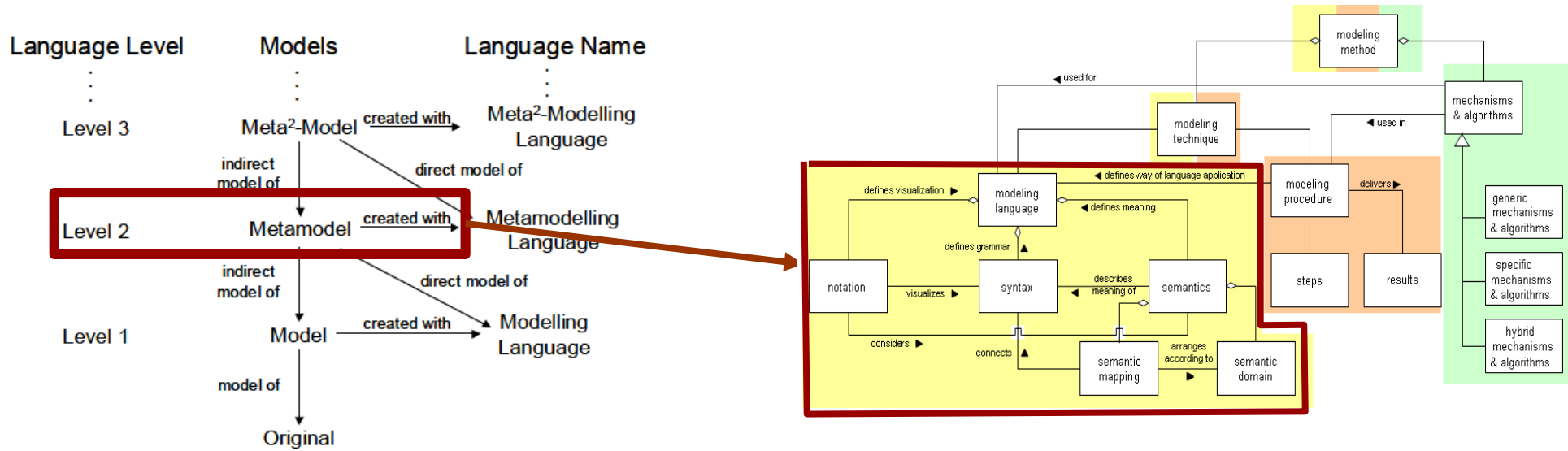
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# Metamodelling

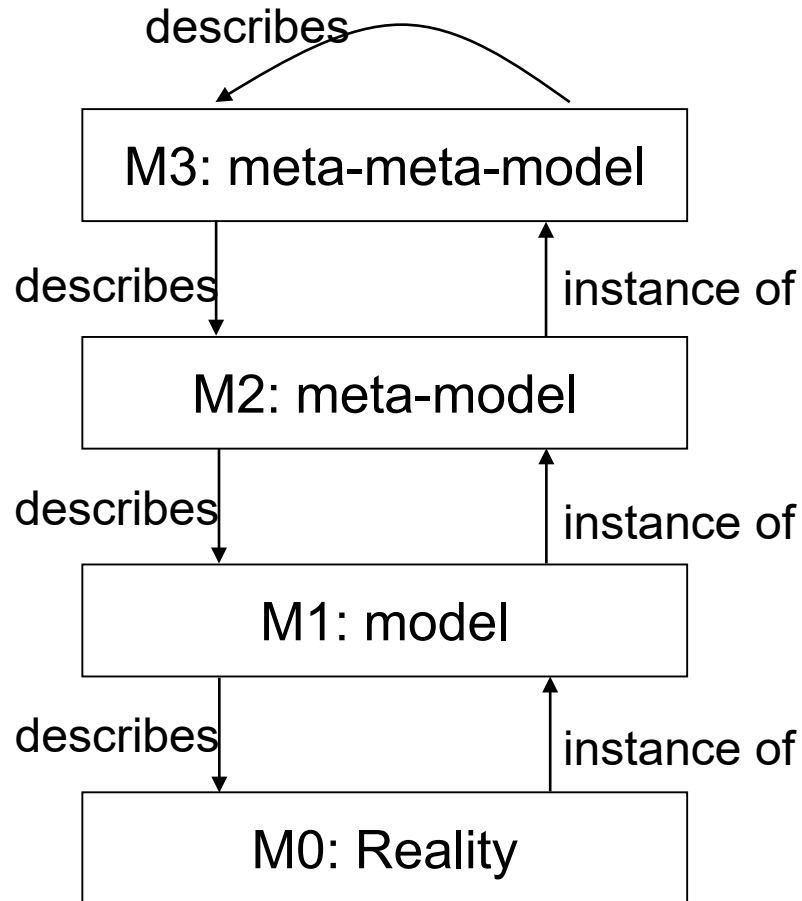
## Modeling Language Definition



(Strahringer, 1996)

(Karagiannis & Kühn, 2002)

# The Model Stack

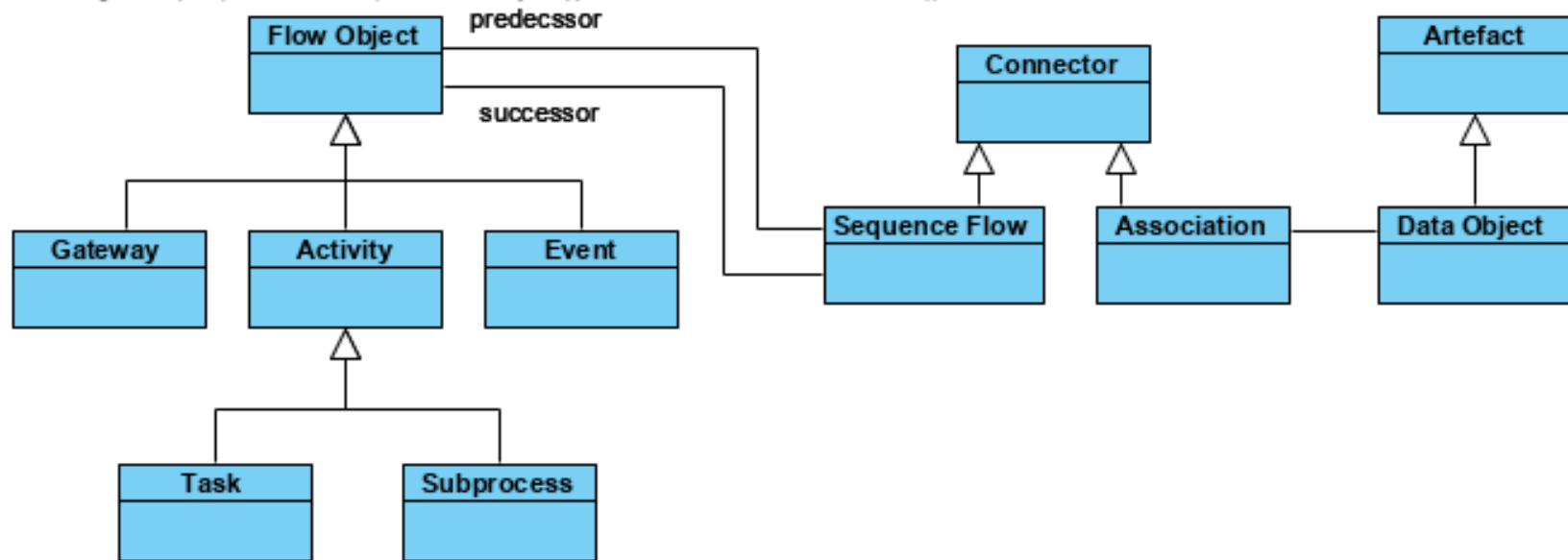


- A model is a **simplified representation of a reality**
- A meta-model defines a **modelling language** in which a model can be expressed.
- A meta-meta model defines the **language in which a meta-model** can be expressed.

# Metamodels can be defined as Class Diagrams

Metamodel correspond to a knowledge base

Metamodels can be represented graphically as (a subset of) UML class diagrams

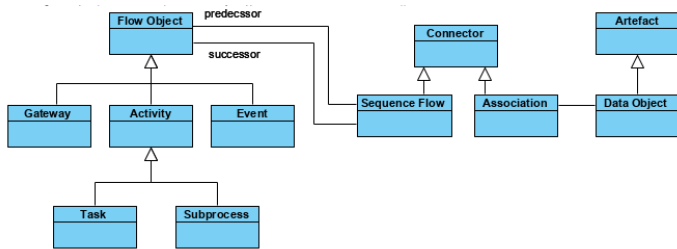


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# A Metamodel for Processes

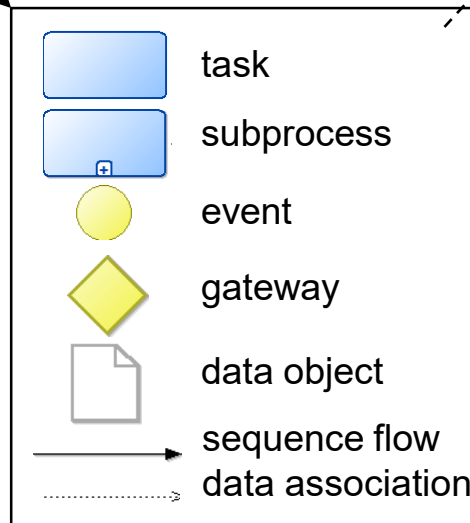
## Meta-model:

- Classes and relations that can be used for modelling

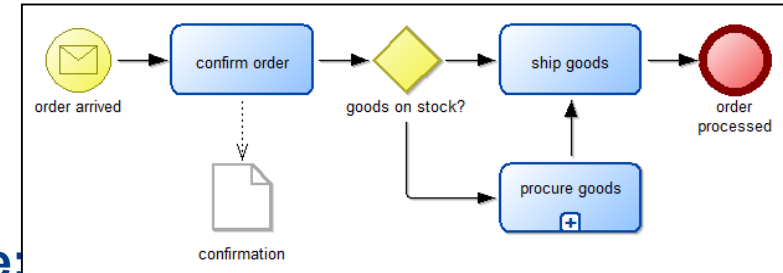


## Modelling Language:

Concrete Syntax (notation, appearance) of meta-model elements

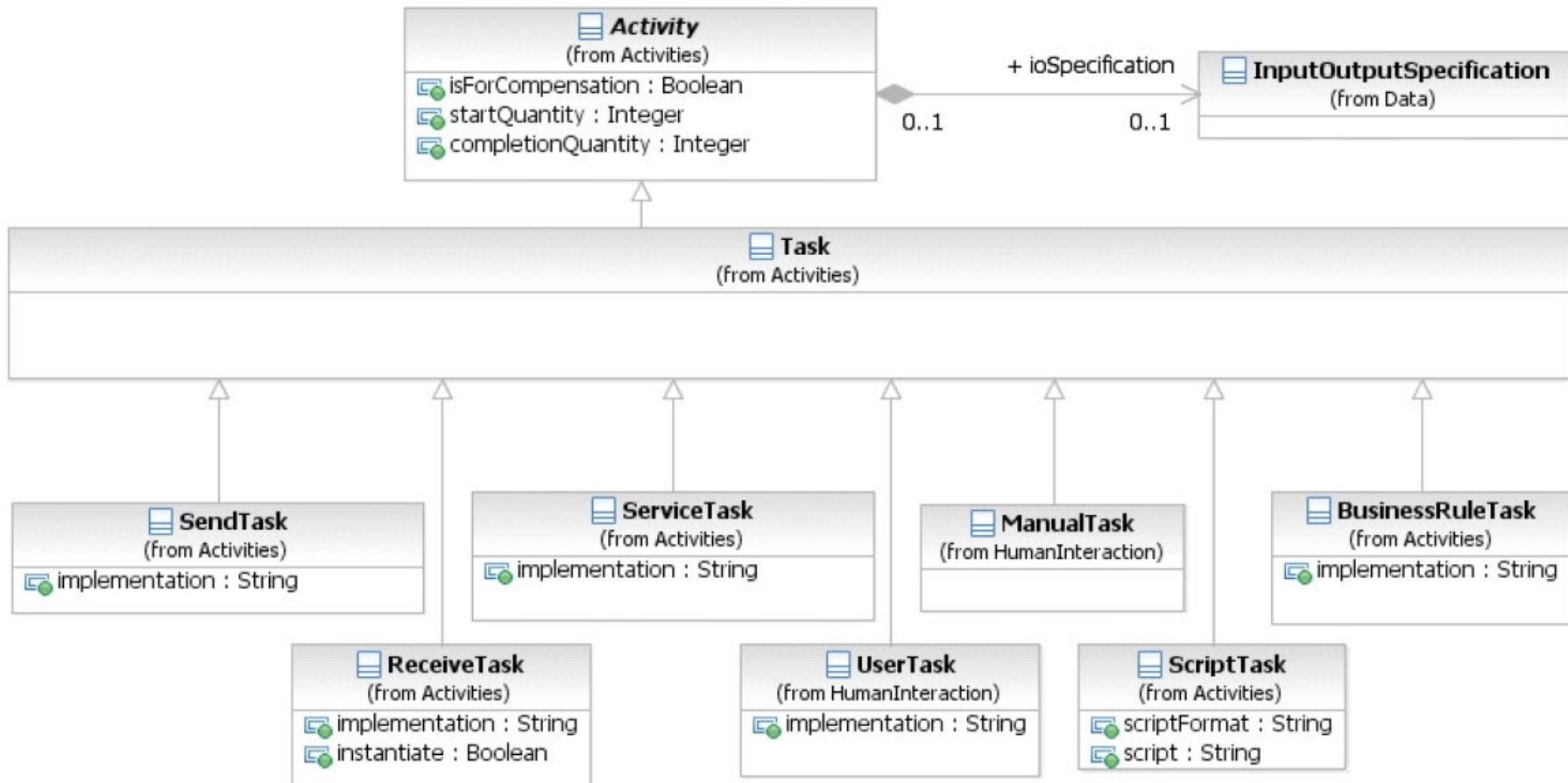


## Model:



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# Subset of the BPMN Metamodel in UML



# Meta-Modelling Language has to be defined in a Meta- Meta Model

## Meta<sup>2</sup> Model:

Abstract syntax:

Concepts and relations which can be used to create models.

Example: A class and object diagram consists of concepts for

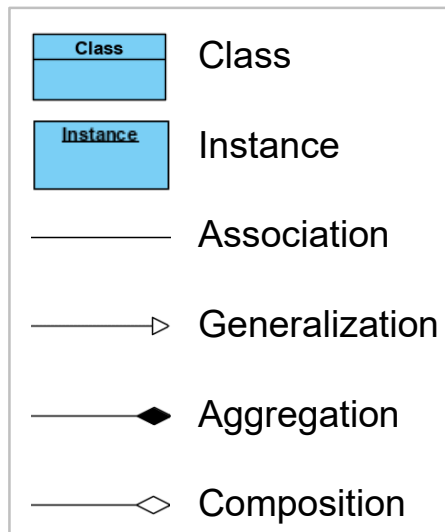
- «classes», «instances»,

and relations for

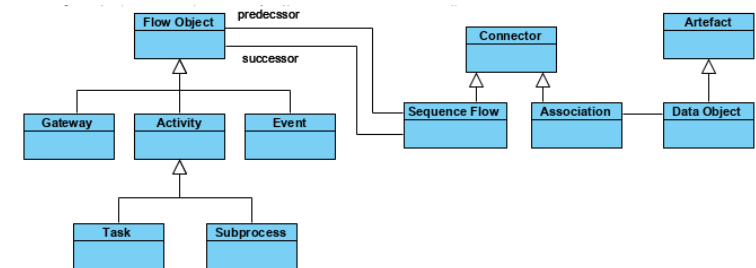
- «association», «generalization», «aggregation» and «composition»

## Meta-Modelling Language:

Concrete Syntax (notation, appearance) of meta-model elements



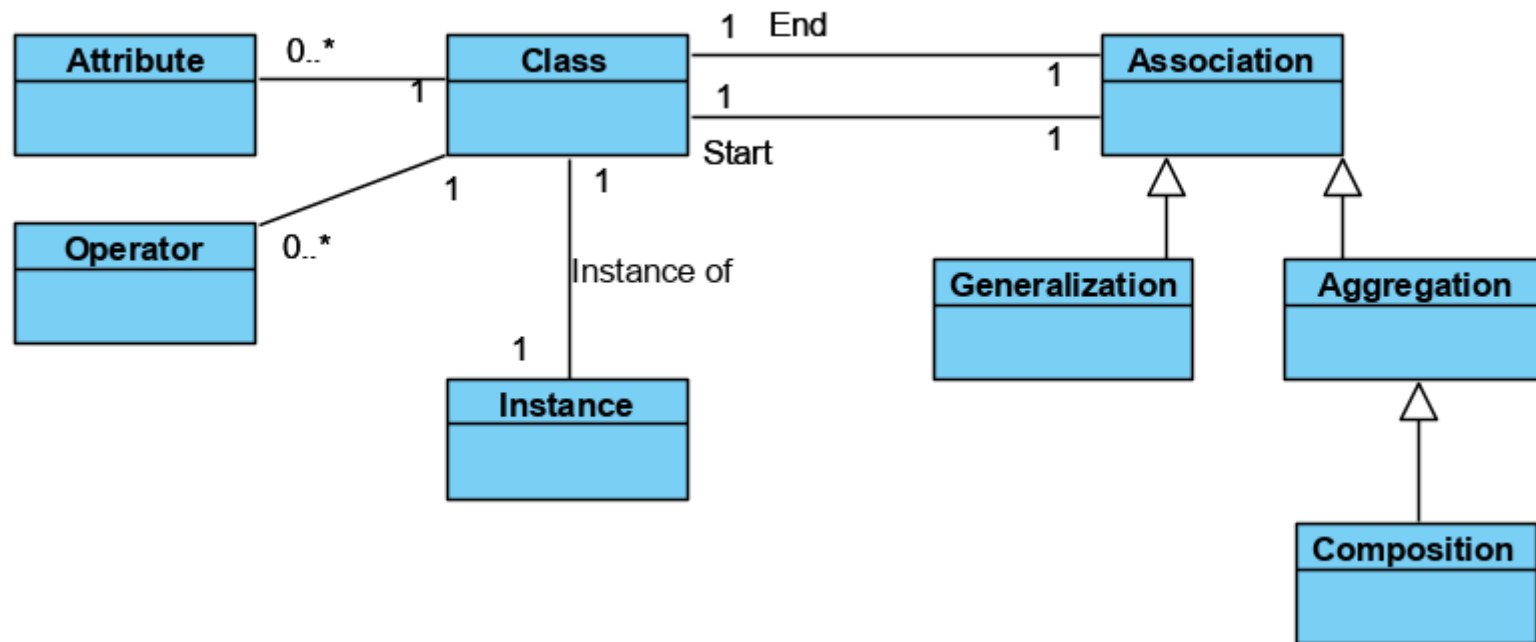
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# A Metamodel for UML Class Diagrams

UML Class Diagrams can be used to model the metamodel for UML class diagrams themselves

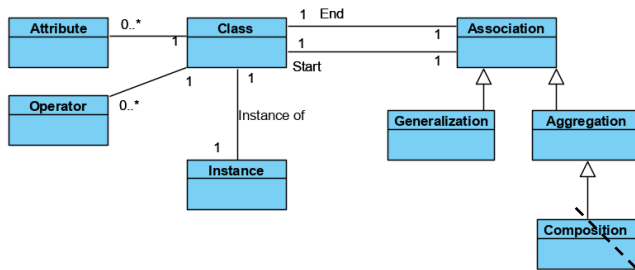


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# UML Class Diagrams can be used for Meta-Meta-Model

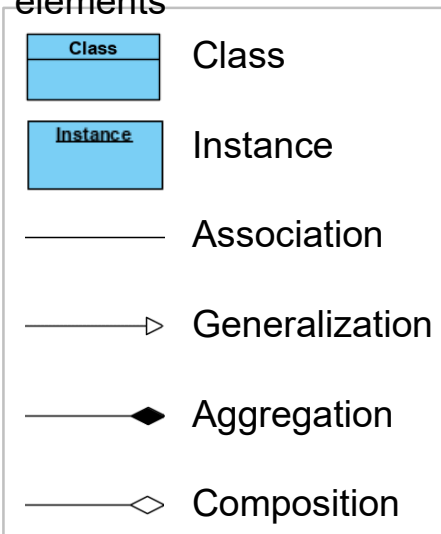
## Meta(Meta)-model:

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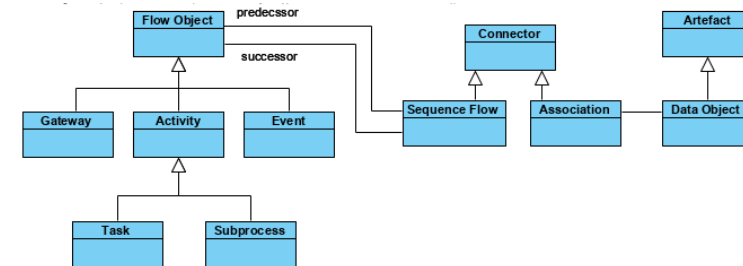


## (Meta-) Modelling Language:

Concrete Syntax (notation, appearance) of meta-model elements



## (Meta) model:



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# *Domain-specific vs. General-purpose Modelling Languages*

- General-purpose modelling languages can be used to represent any kind of knowledge
- Domain-specific languages are notations which are defined to model knowledge about a specific domain

# General-purpose Modelling Languages

- General-purpose modelling languages can be used to represent any kind of knowledge
- They can be used, if no domain-specific modelling language is available (for a view)
- There are a wide range of generalo-purpose modelling languages
  - ◆ Natural language allows to express any knowledge
  - ◆ Formal languages: Typically a subset of Logic
  - ◆ Graphical Diagrams
- General-purpose graphical modelling languages have been developed in a many difference fields:
  - ◆ Artificial Intelligence: Semantic networks, Ontologies
  - ◆ Data Modelling: Entity Relationship Diagrams
  - ◆ Object-Oriented Programming: UML Class Diagrams

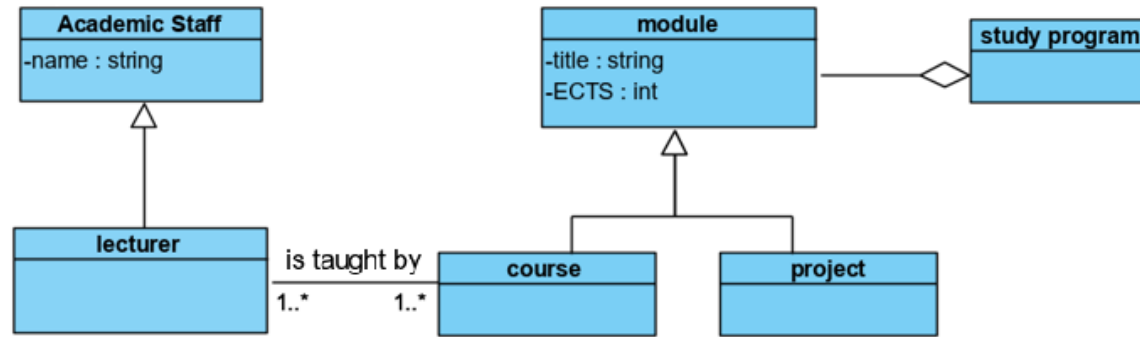
# *The Metamodel for a General-purpose Modelling Language*

- The metamodel for a general-purpose modelling language has only few modelling elements
  - ◆ Class
  - ◆ Attribute
  - ◆ Association
  - ◆ Instance
- This can be modelled with Class Diagrams, e.g.
  - ◆ (a subset of) UML Class Diagrams
  - ◆ Ontology Languages
- Modelling means to
  - ◆ define classes
  - ◆ create instances of these classes

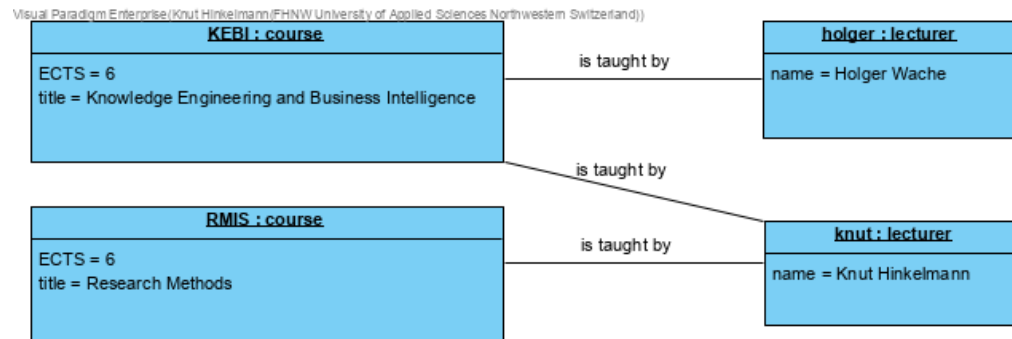
# Modelling with a General-purpose Modelling Language

- Class Diagrams are general-purpose modelling languages; one can define classes and relations for any domain
- A model consists of objects which are instances of these classes

Classes  
(=metamodel)



Instances  
(= model)



# *Strengths and Weaknesses of General-Purpose Modelling Languages*

## ■ Strengths

### ◆ Applicability

- Can be used to represent everything
- Every model in the same language
- Low learning curve for the language

## ■ Weakness

### ◆ No guidance: Users have to ...

- determine how to structure a domain
- to identify relevant concepts

### ◆ Restricted reusability

- Different applications use different concepts

# Domain-specific Modelling Languages

- Modelling languages have modelling elements for typical concepts and relations of a domain of discourse
  - ◆ Predefined classes, relations and constraints
  - ◆ Specific shapes for modelling elements and relations
- Modelling means to create instances of these classes and relations
- Examples of domain-specific modelling languages:
  - ◆ **BPMN** is a domain-specific language for business processes
    - Concepts: task, event, gateway, ....
    - Relations: sequence flow, message flow, data association, ...
  - ◆ **ArchiMate** is a domain-specific language for enterprise architectures
    - Concepts: process, actor, role, business object, ...
    - Relations: uses, realizes, ...

# *Strengths and Weaknesses of Domain-specific Modelling Languages*

## ■ Strengths

### ◆ Comprehensibility of models

- concepts and relations are adequate for stakeholders
- domain-specific shapes

### ◆ Standardisation: Reuse of models

- Common concepts for a domain (e.g. BPMN, ArchiMate)

## ■ Weaknesses

### ◆ Restricted to a specific domain

- Only what can be expressed with the modelling elements can be modeled

# *What do we do if there is no Domain-specific Modelling Language*

- If there is no domain-specific modelling language for a domain of interest, we can
  1. Use a general-purpose modelling language
  2. Define a new domain-specific modelling language
    - From scratch
    - By adapting an existing one

**→ *meta modelling***



# *Knowledge Work Designer*

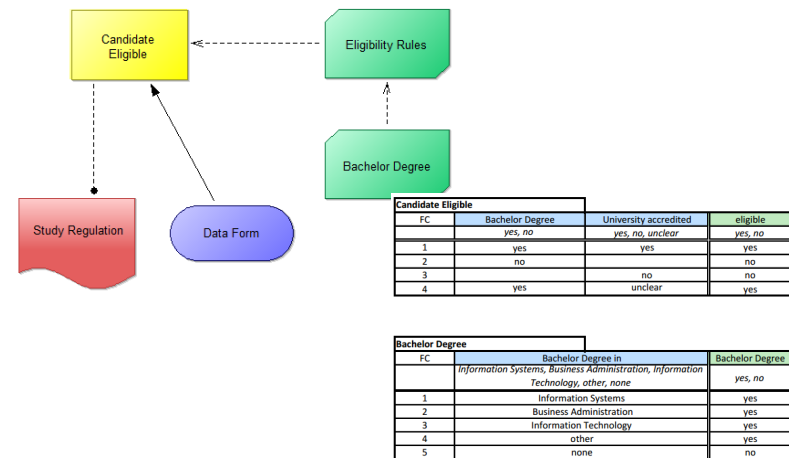
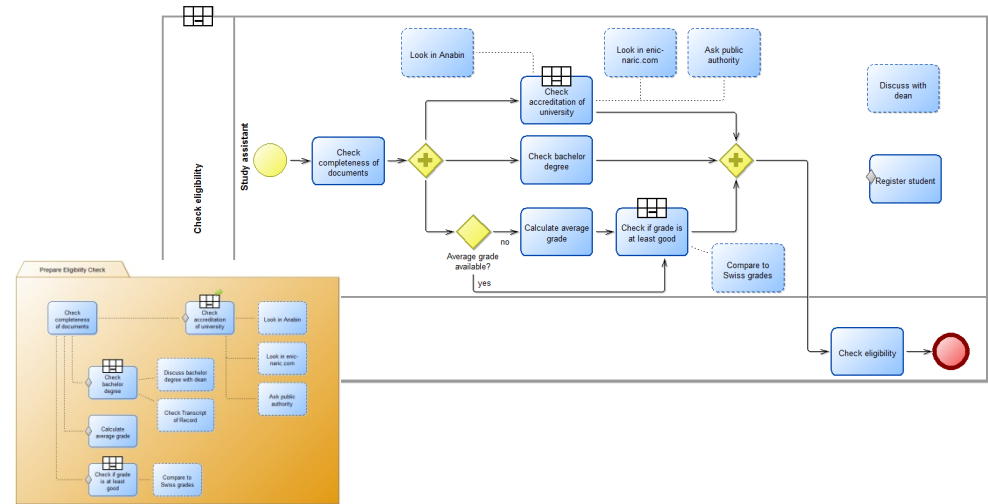
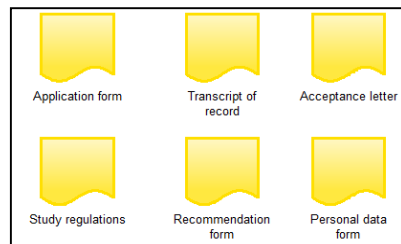
# Modeling of Knowledge Work

## ■ Process Logic

- ◆ Structured Processes (BPM)
- ◆ Case Models (CMMN)
- ◆ Combination (BPCMN)

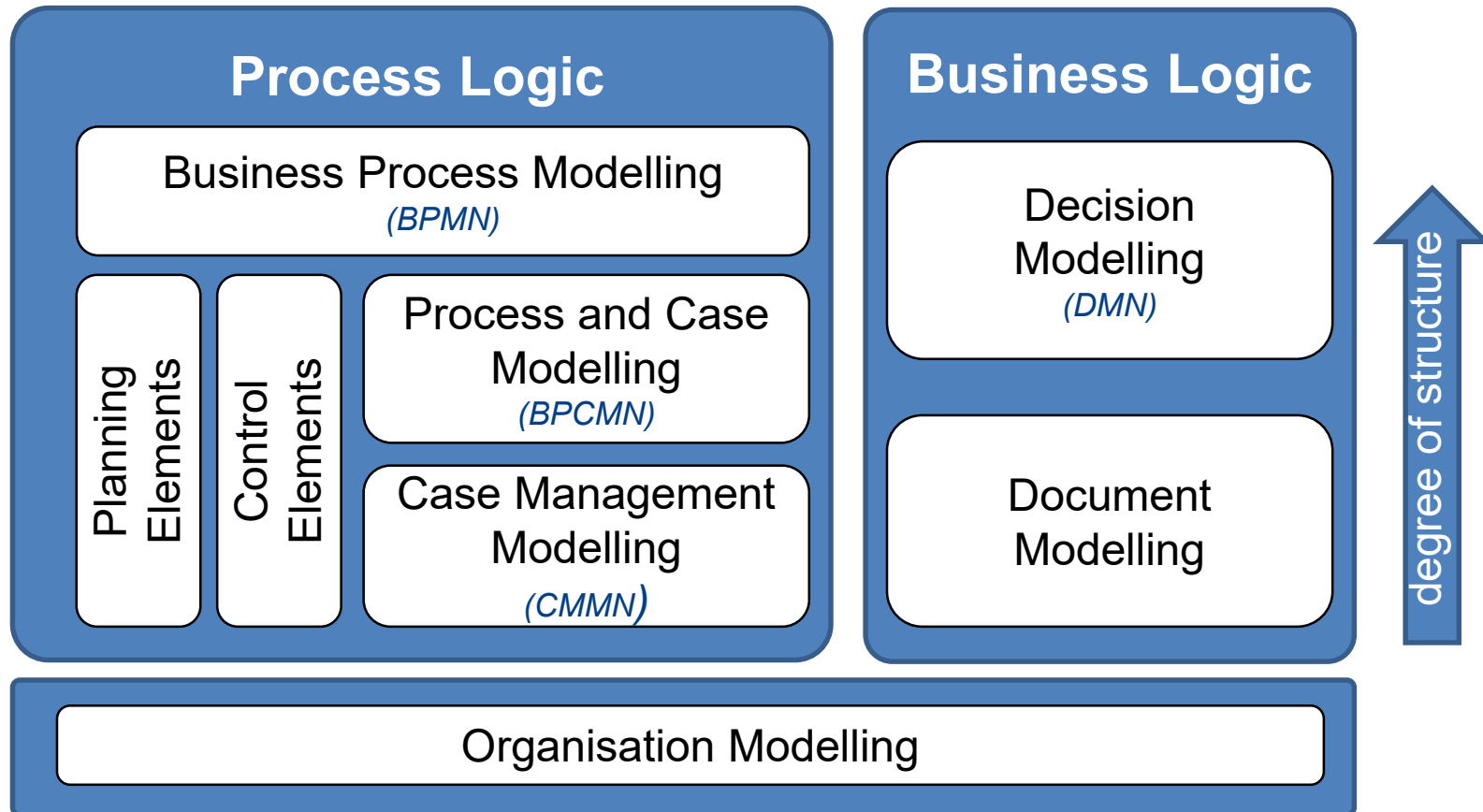
## ■ Decision Logic

- ◆ Decision Models (DMN)
- ◆ Document Model



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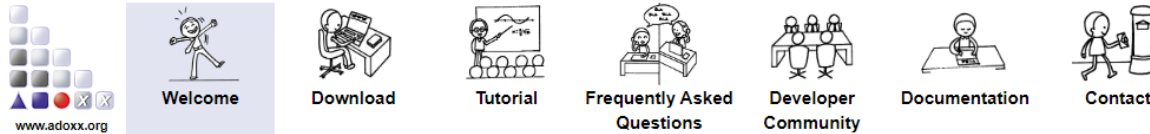
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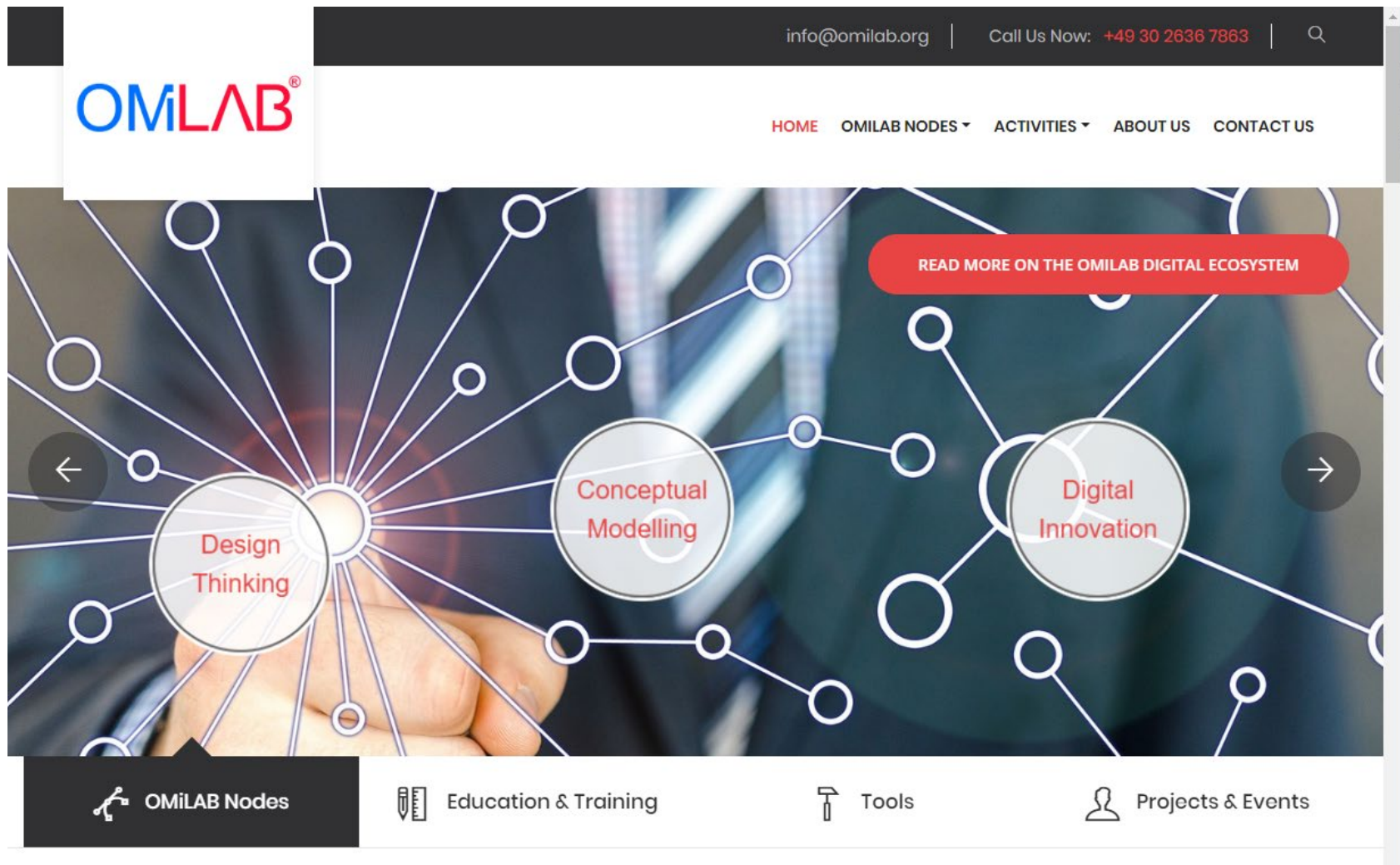
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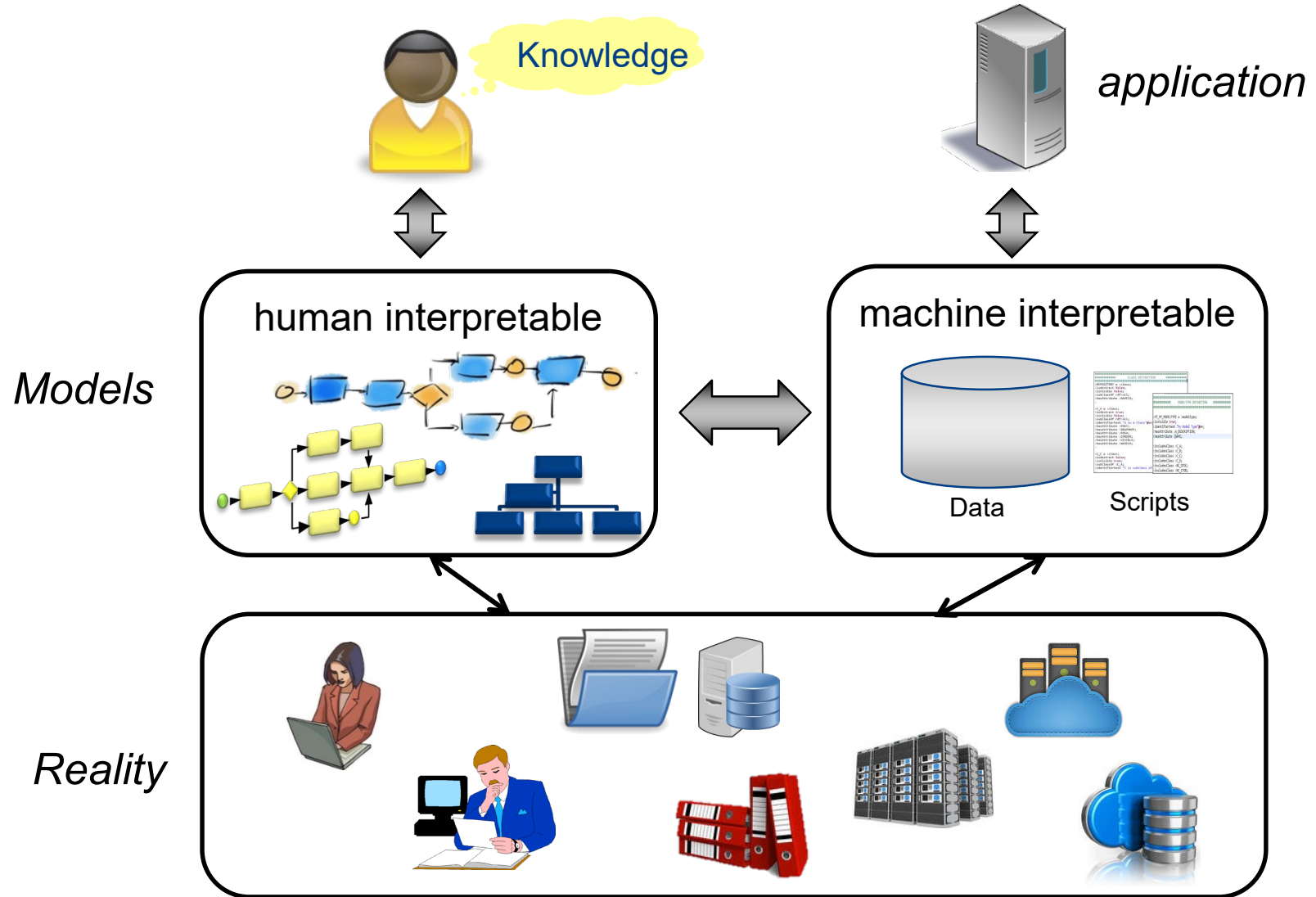
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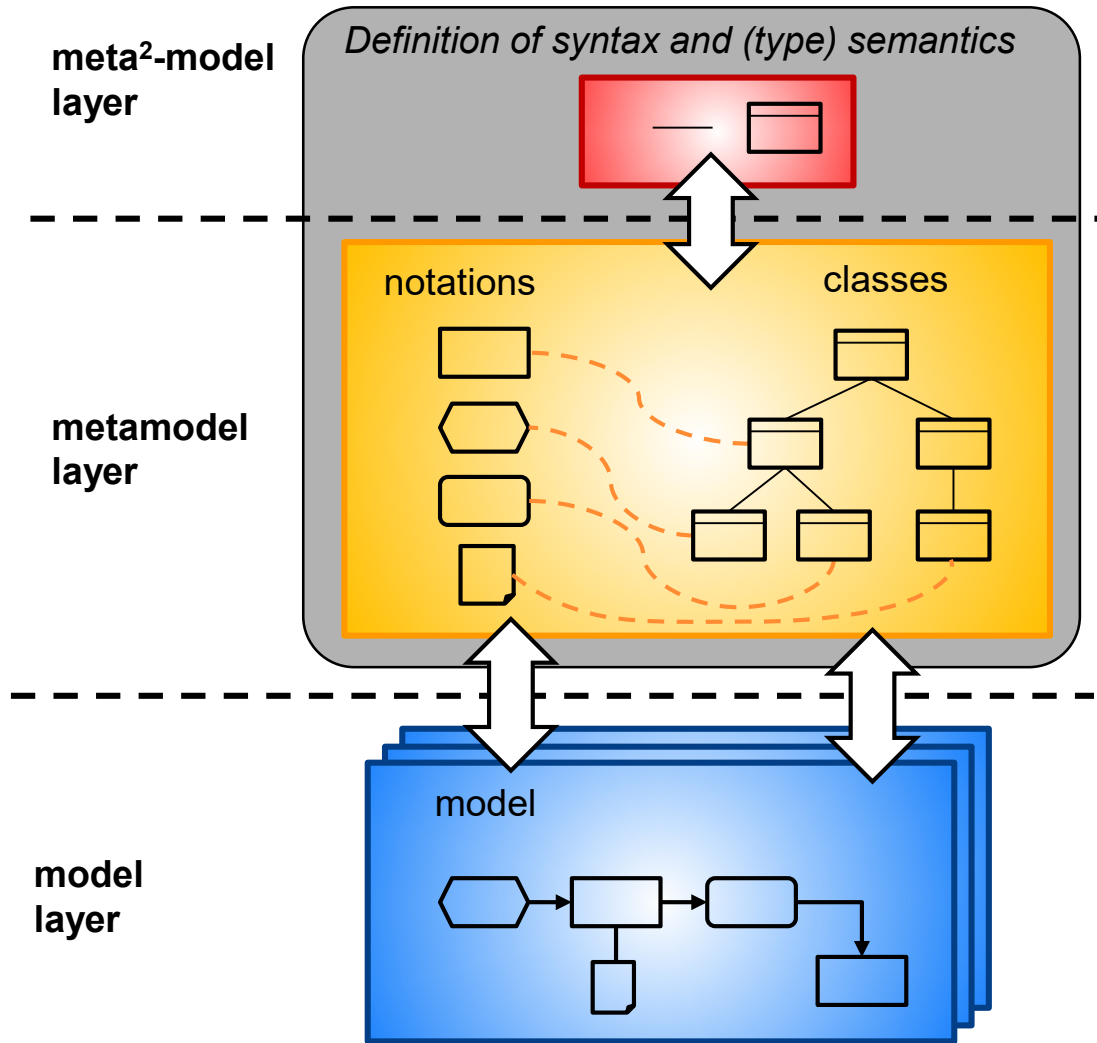
- ADOxx consists of ...
  - ◆ ADOxx Development Toolkit
    - Defining Modelling languages – Library Management
    - Administration of users, models, components
  - ◆ ADOxx Modelling Toolkit
    - Creating models

# Graphical Models are Represented in a Database





# Modeling Environment

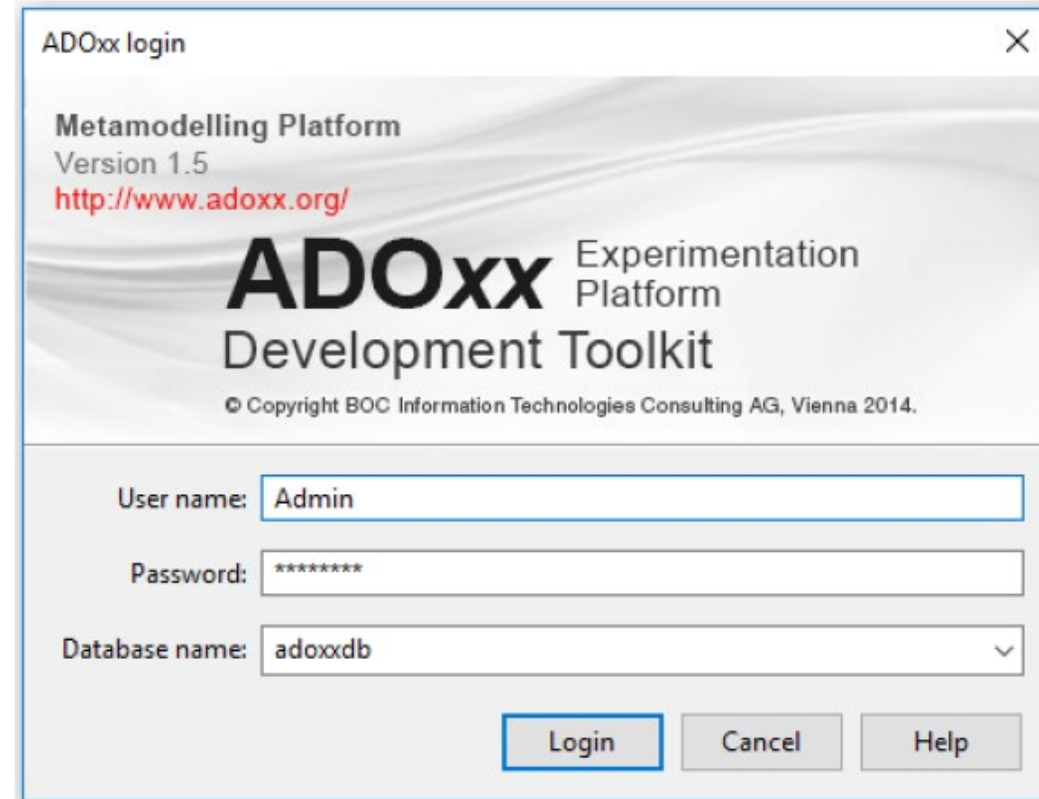


ADOxx Development Toolkit

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# Development Toolkit

- Start Development Toolkit
- Login
  - ◆ Username: Admin
  - ◆ Password: password
  - ◆ DB: adoxxdb  
(or the one you created during installation=



ADOxx login

Metamodelling Platform  
Version 1.5  
<http://www.adoxx.org/>

**ADOxx** Experimentation Platform  
Development Toolkit

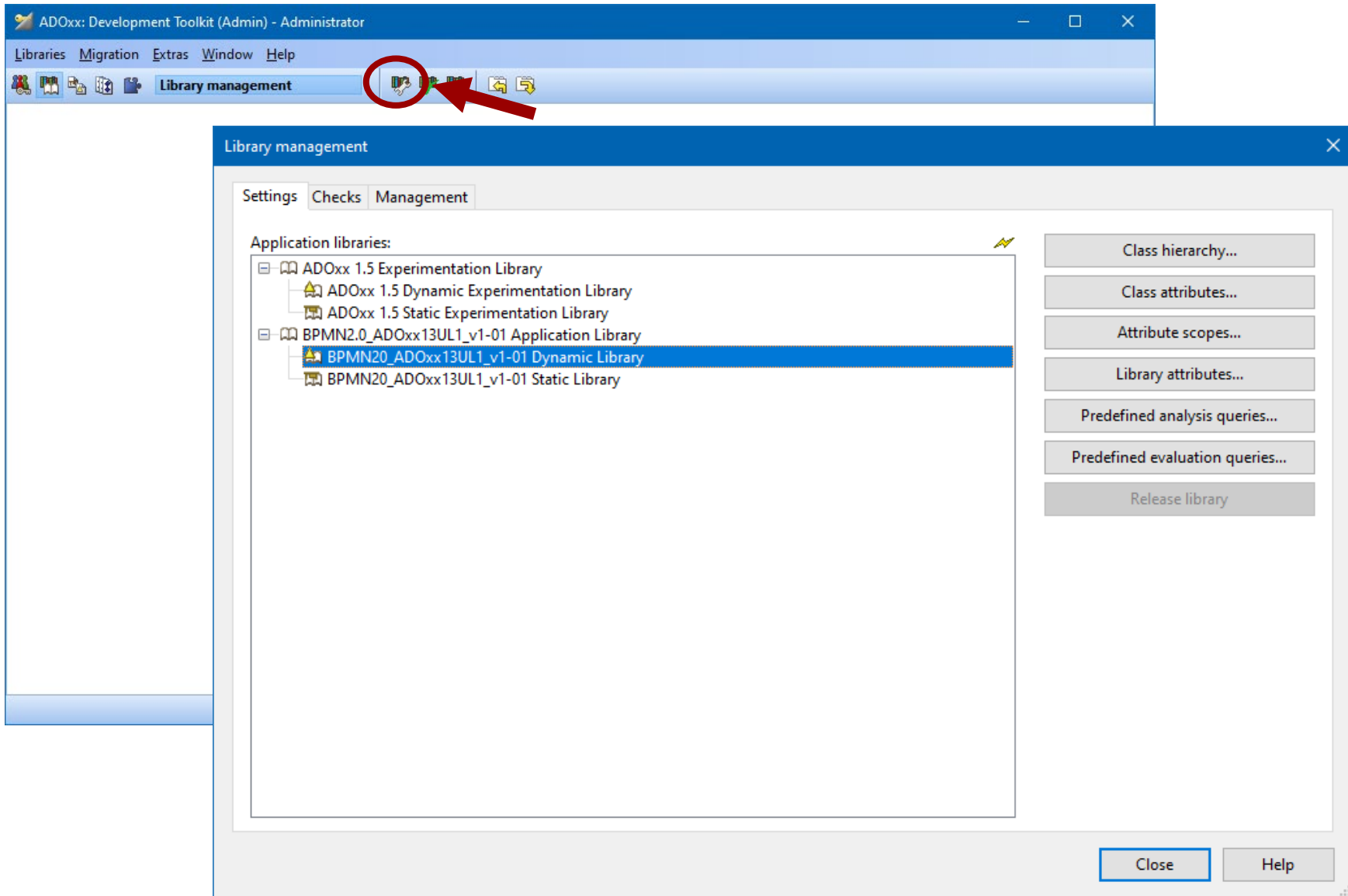
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# Metamodelling with ADOxx



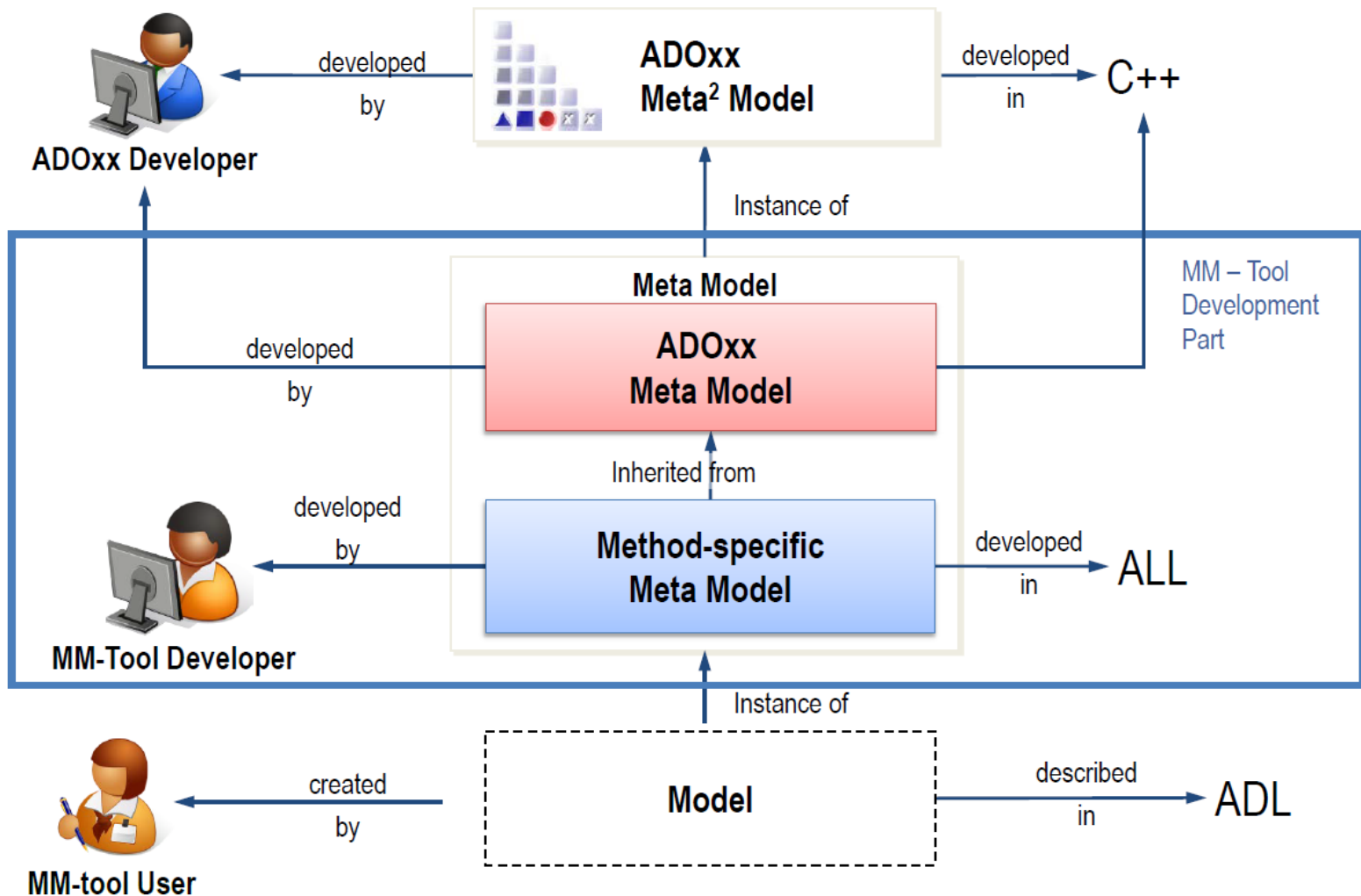
The screenshot shows the ADOxx: Development Toolkit (Admin) - Administrator window. The 'Library management' dialog box is open, displaying a tree view of application libraries. A red circle highlights the 'Library management' icon in the main application's toolbar, with a red arrow pointing to it. The dialog box has tabs for 'Settings', 'Checks', and 'Management'. The 'Application libraries' list includes:

- ADOxx 1.5 Experimentation Library
  - ADOxx 1.5 Dynamic Experimentation Library
  - ADOxx 1.5 Static Experimentation Library
- BPMN2.0\_ADOxx13UL1\_v1-01 Application Library
  - BPMN20\_ADOxx13UL1\_v1-01 Dynamic Library
  - BPMN20\_ADOxx13UL1\_v1-01 Static Library

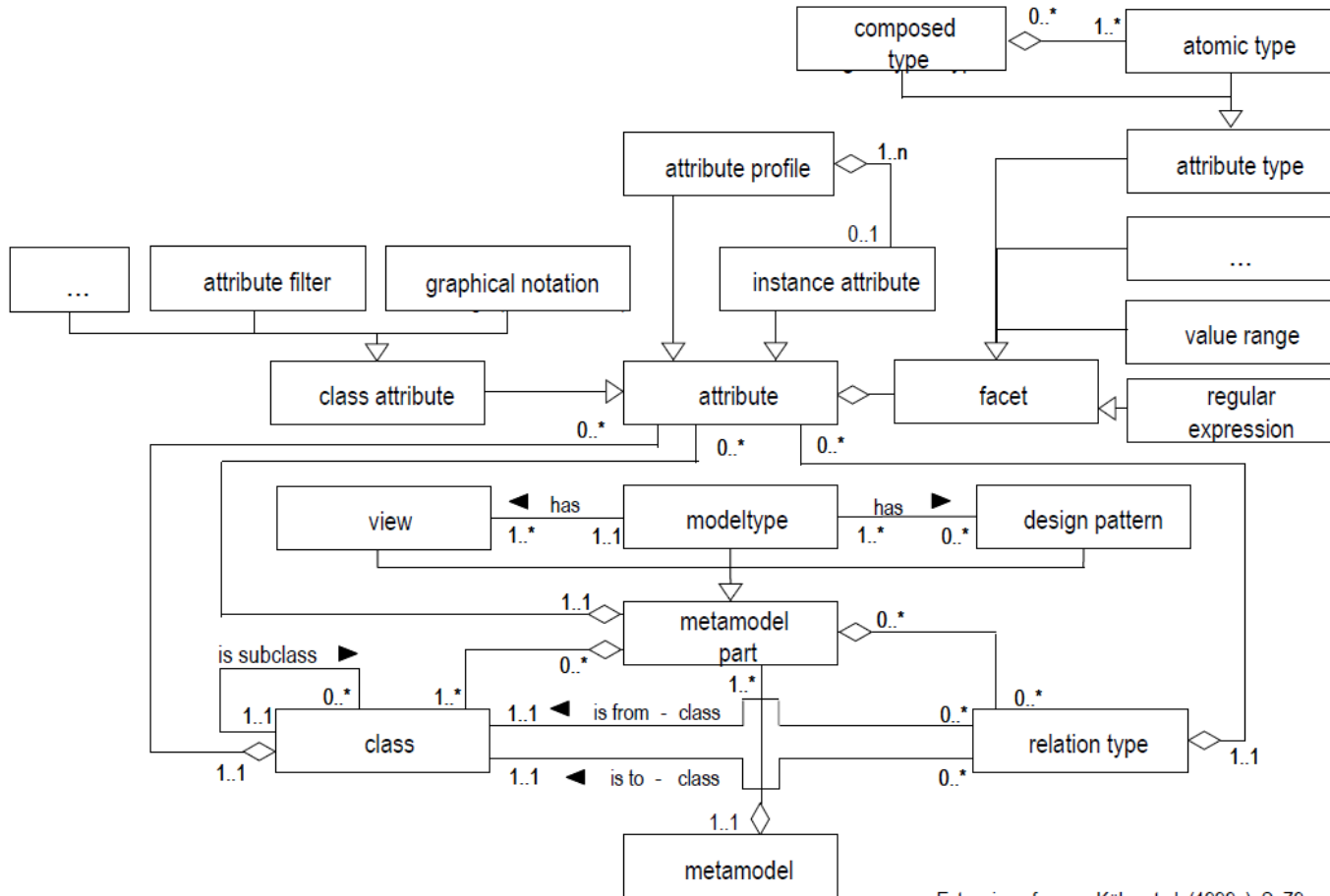
The 'BPMN20\_ADOxx13UL1\_v1-01 Dynamic Library' is selected. On the right side of the dialog, there are several buttons: 'Class hierarchy...', 'Class attributes...', 'Attribute scopes...', 'Library attributes...', 'Predefined analysis queries...', 'Predefined evaluation queries...', and 'Release library'. At the bottom right, there are 'Close' and 'Help' buttons.

Identified Roles	Major Tasks	Required Skills	Cases
 <b>MM-tool User</b>	<b>Modelling Domain Knowledge</b>	Domain Knowledge Method Knowledge	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">Established modelling tools</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin-top: 10px;">Agile development of modelling tool in parallel to modelling tool usage</div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">. . .</div>
 <b>MM-Tool Developer</b>	<b>Developing an Meta Modelling Tool</b>	Domain Knowledge Method Knowledge Platform Knowledge	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin-top: 10px;">Agile development of ADOxx platform in parallel to modelling method development</div>
 <b>ADOxx Developer</b>	<b>Implementation of tool specific and ADOxx functionality</b>	Platform Knowledge ADOxx Technology Skills	

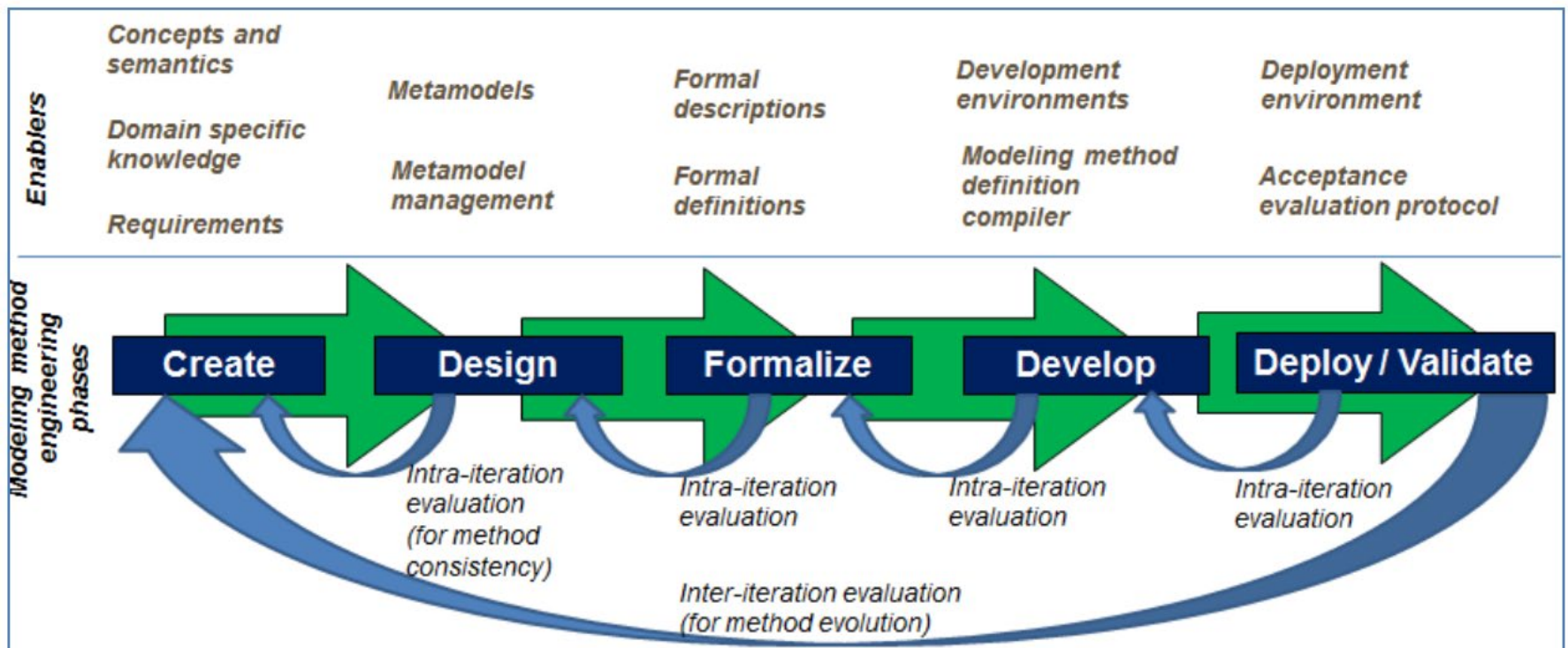
# Meta Modelling Platforms Hierarchy in ADOxx



# Meta<sup>2</sup> Model: Meta Model of Meta Modelling Language

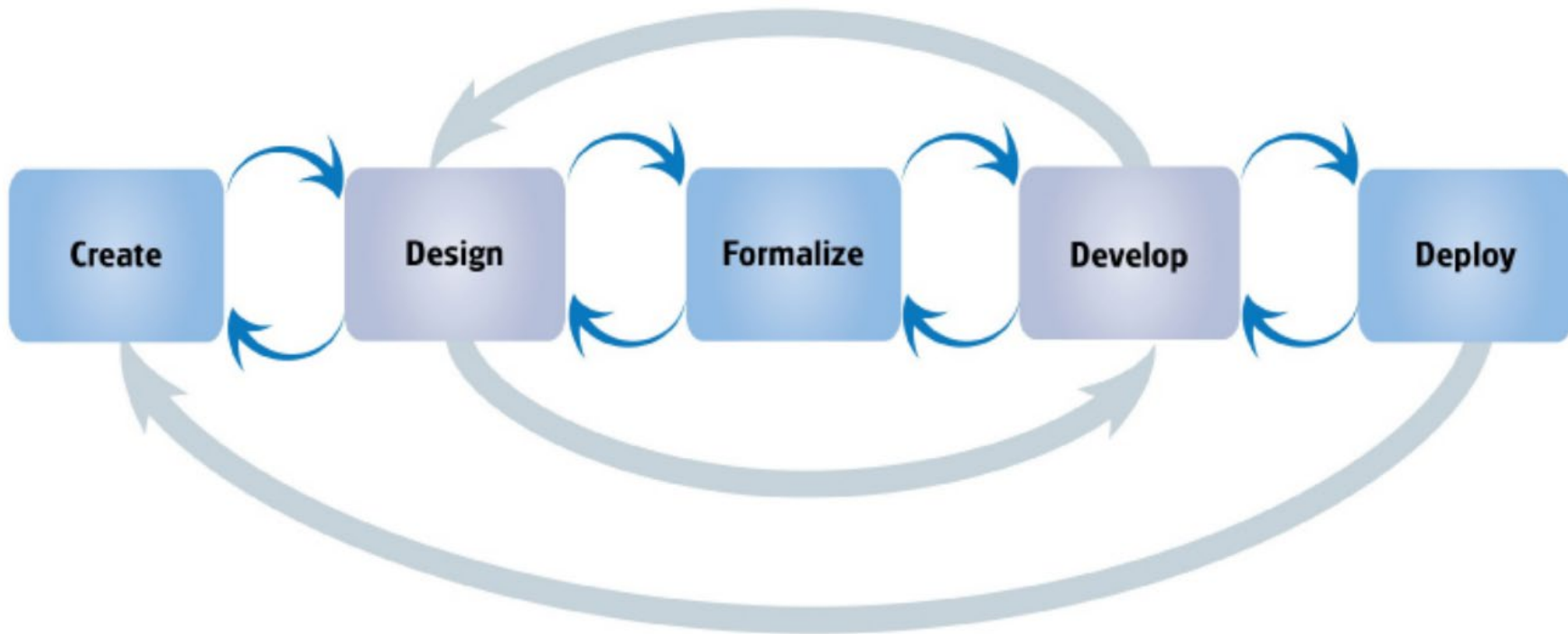


Extension of: Kühn et al. (1999a), S. 79



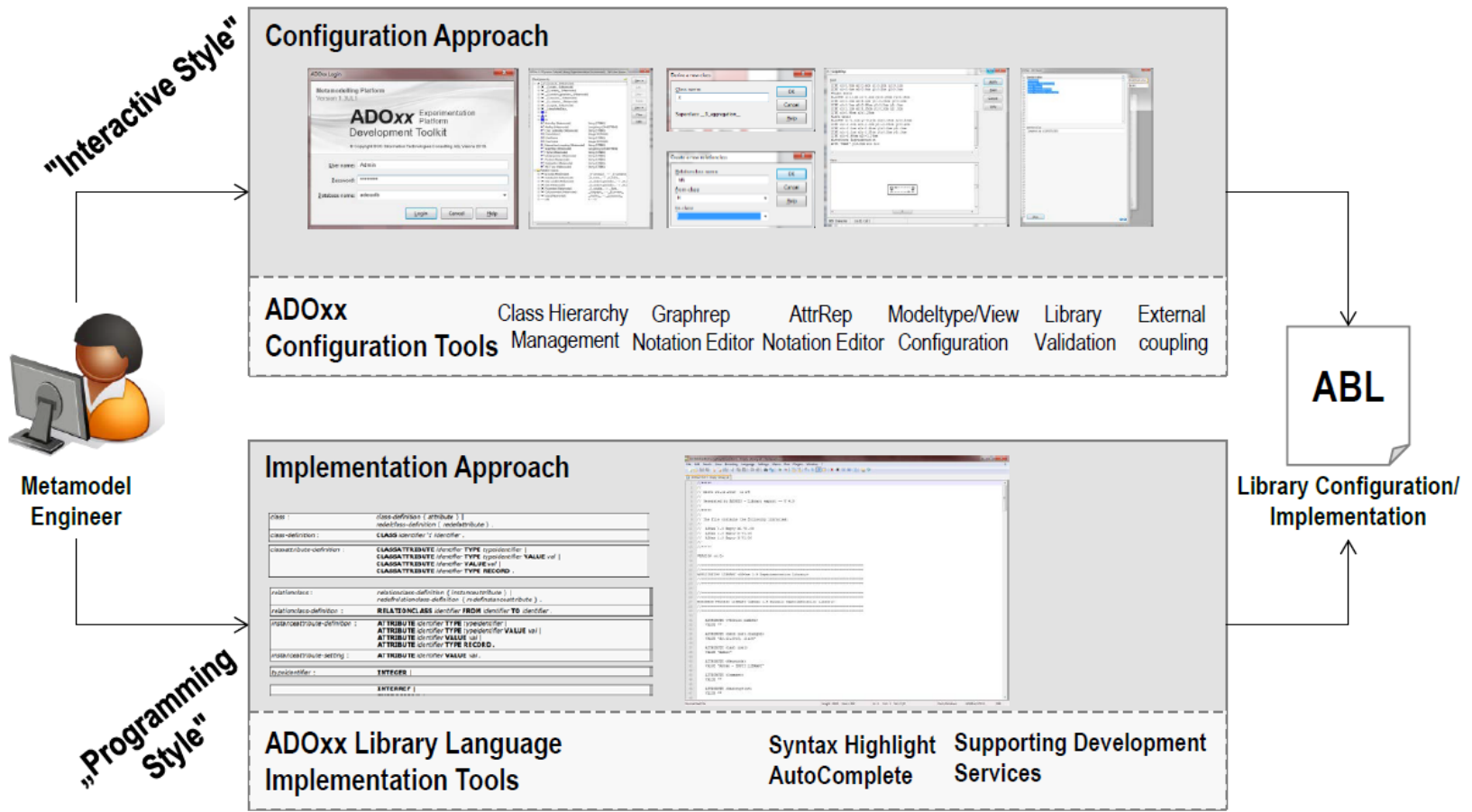
# *The AMME LifeCycle*

## *Agile Meta Model Engineering*



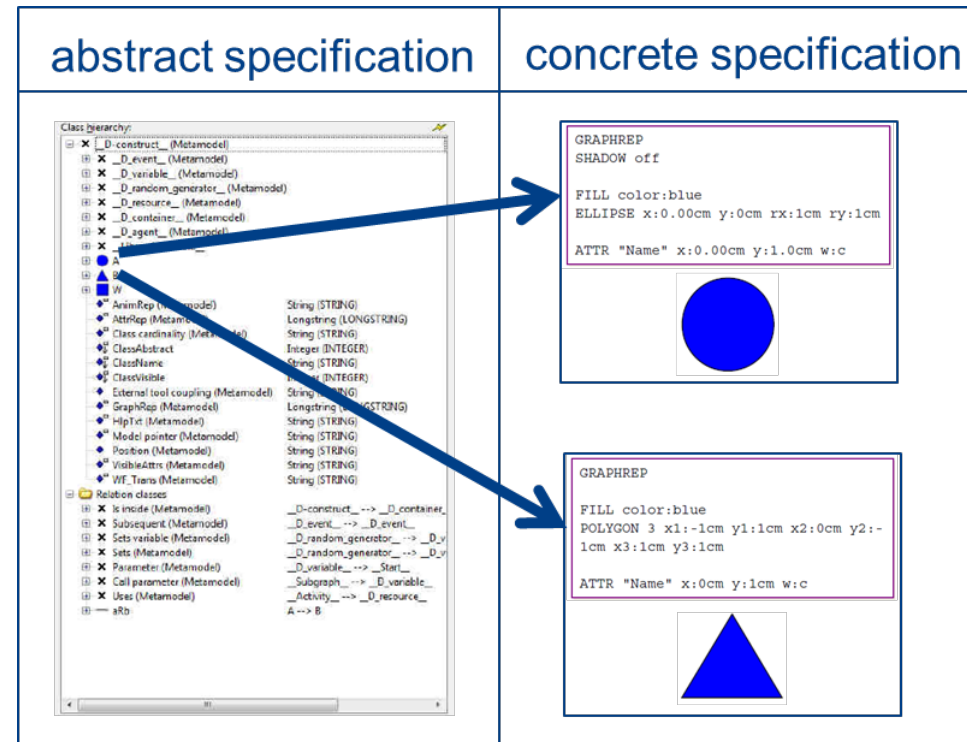


# Development Approaches in ADOxx – Configuration and Implementation



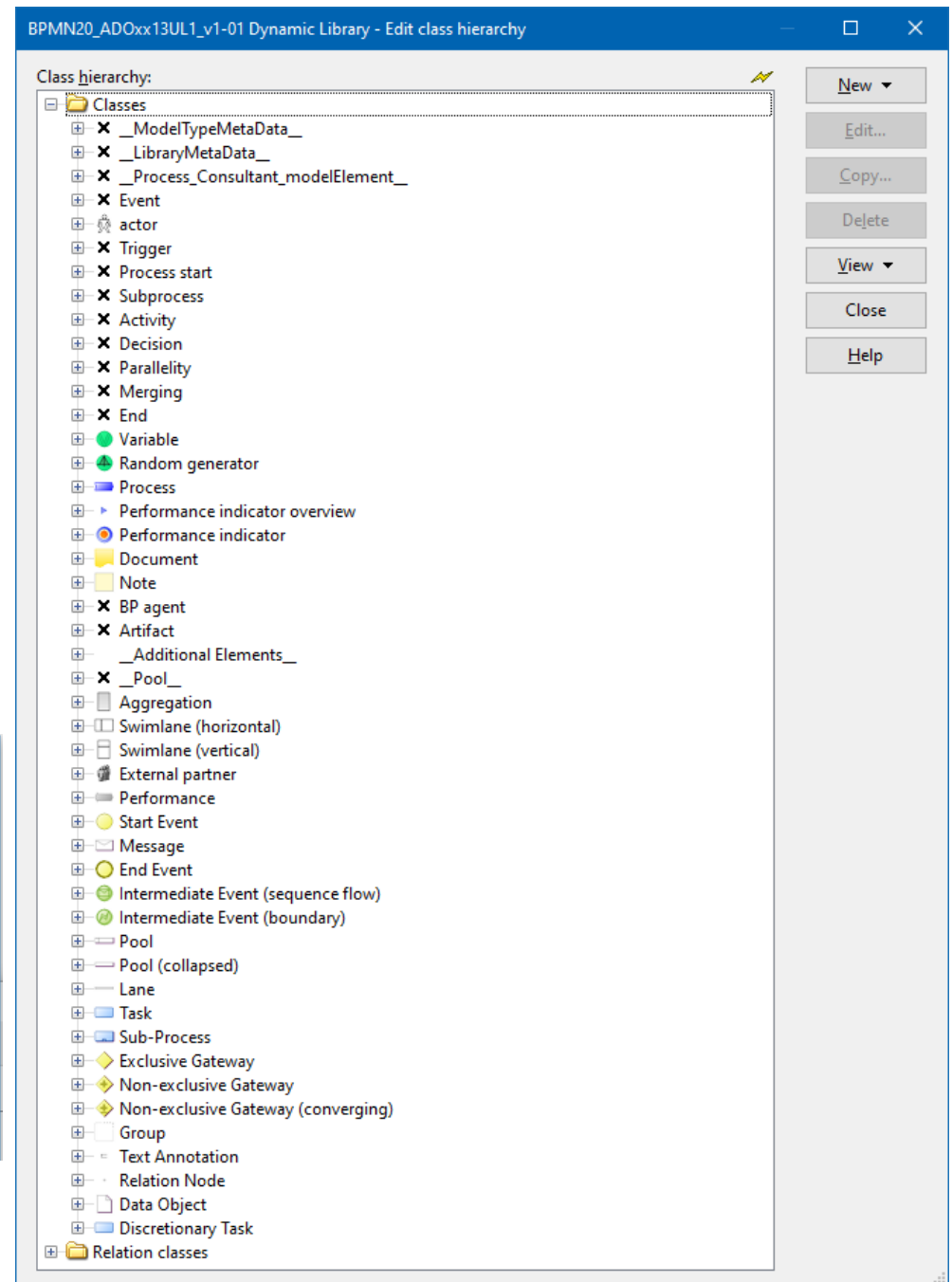
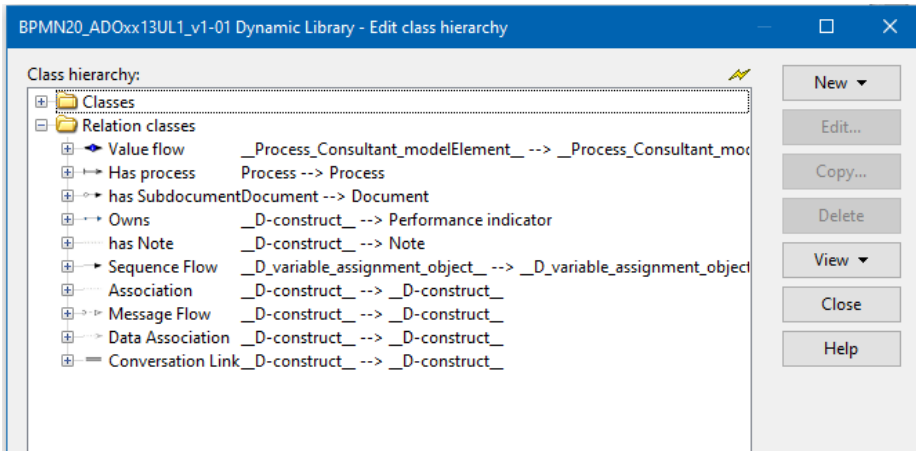
# Abstract and Concrete Specification

- The Semantics of a model language is defined by
  - ◆ Classes of elements and relations
  - ◆ Class hierarchy
  - ◆ Attributes of the elements
- The Syntax is defined by
  - ◆ special attribute GraphRep



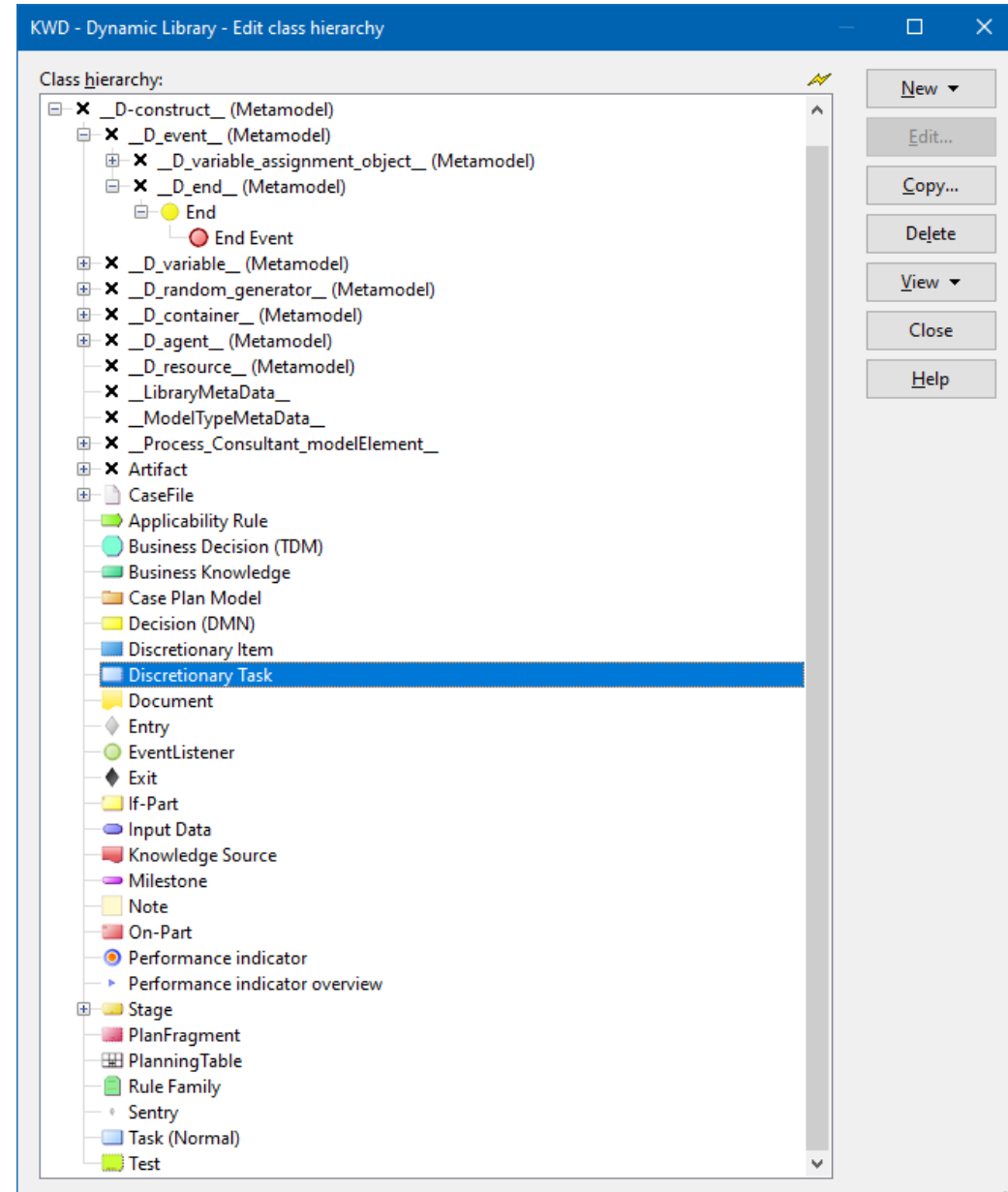
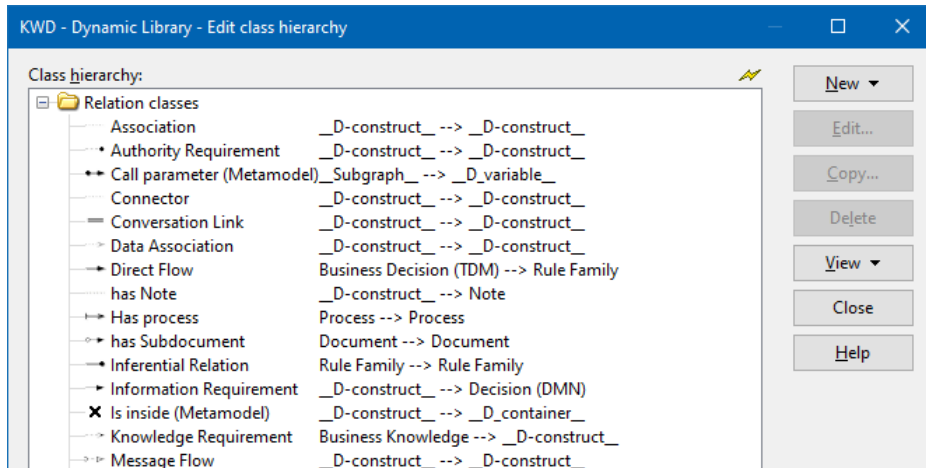
# Class Hierarchies

- ADOxx distinguishes
  - ◆ Classes
  - ◆ Relation classes

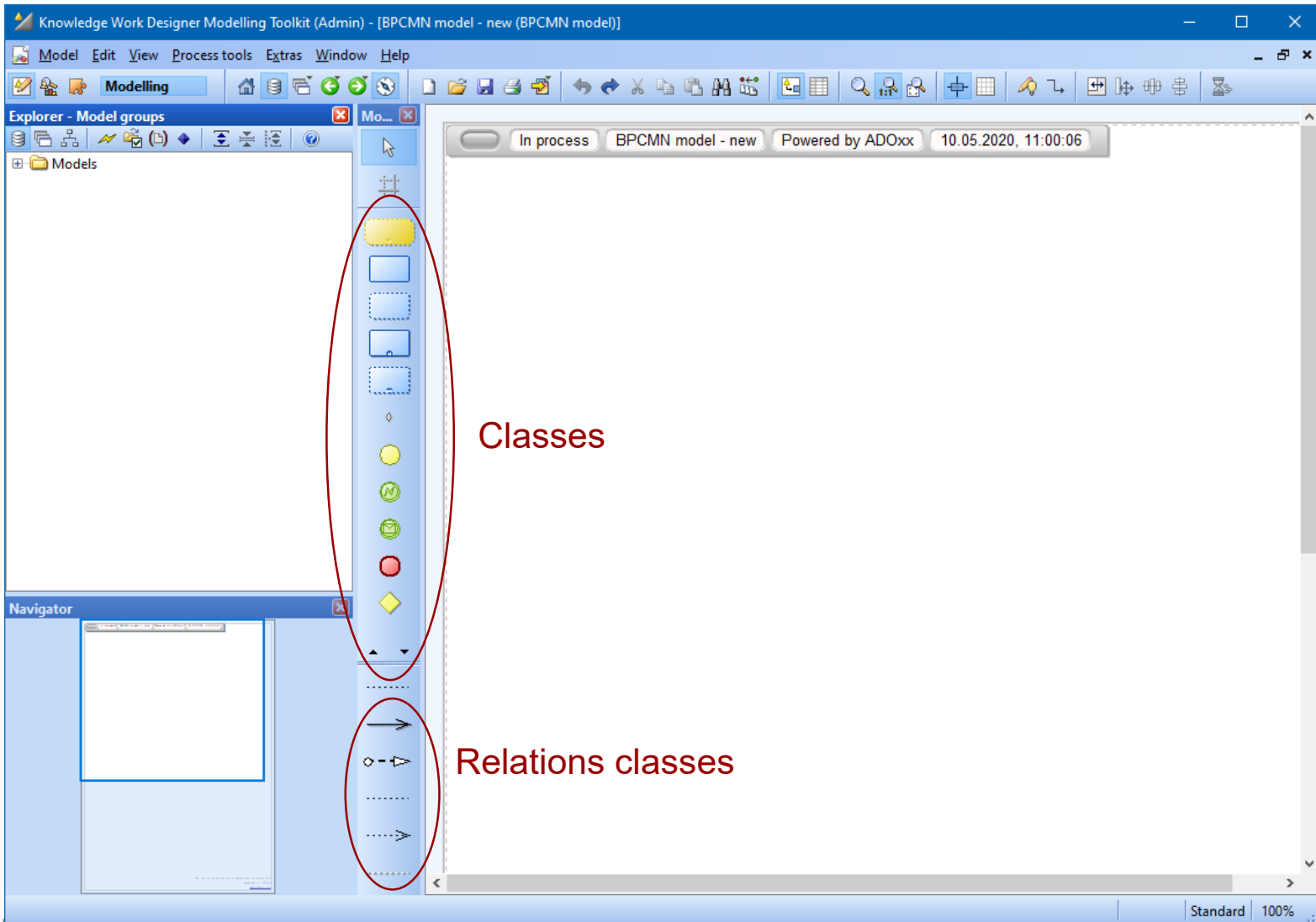


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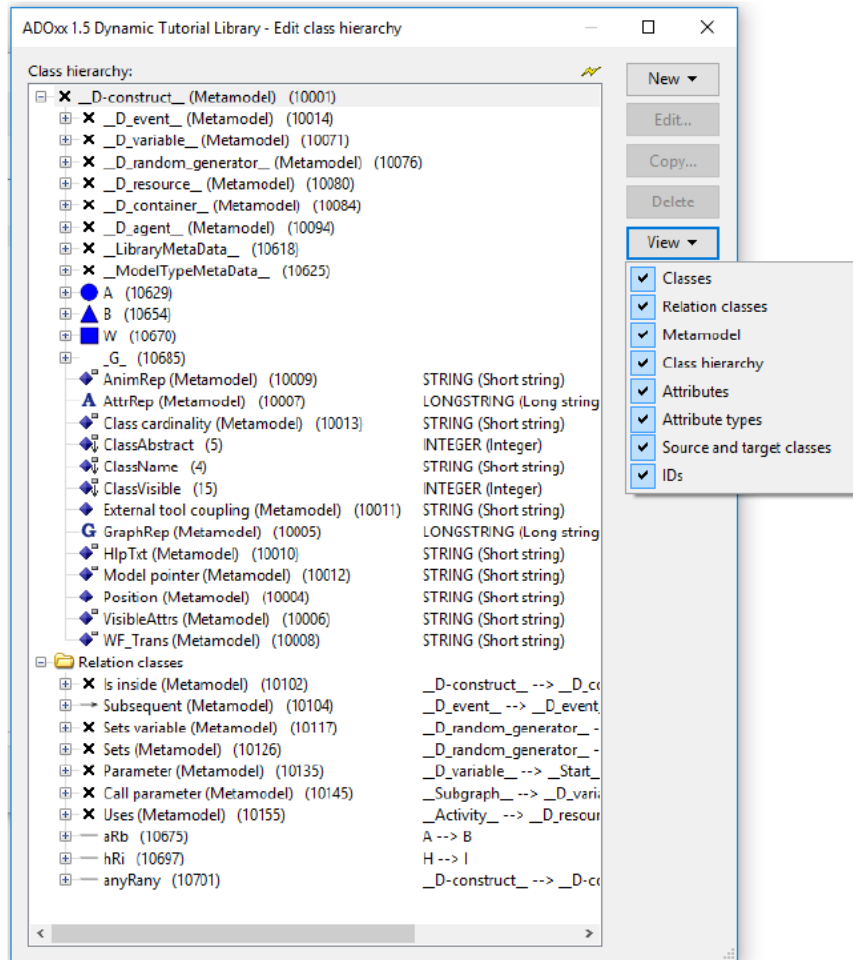
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  - ◆ Classes
  - ◆ Relation classes



# Appearance of Classes in the Modelling Toolkit



# Views of the Class Hierarchy



## Classes

All visible classes will be shown

## Relation classes

All available relation classes will be shown

## Metamodel

All classes will be shown

## Class hierarchy

All classes will be shown with their inheritance in a hierarchy

## Attributes

The attributes of the (relation-)classes will be shown

## Attribute types

The type of each attribute will be shown







## Source- and Target-classes

Shows the endpoints for each relation class, i.e. between which classes it can be used.

## IDs

Shows ID numbers of classes and attributes

# Icons in Class Hierarchy

-  **Class** (the icon shows the graphical definition of the object and can therefore vary)
-  **Class** (without a graphical definition)
-  **Attribute**
-  **Attribute** (inherited from another class)
-  **Class attribute**
-  **Class attribute** (inherited from another class)

# Attributes

## ■ Kinds of Attributes

- ◆ Properties of Models
- ◆ Graphical Representation
- ◆ References

BPMN20\_ADOxx13UL1\_v1-01 Dynamic Library - Edit class hierarchy

Class hierarchy:

Task	
↳ __Conversion__	LONGSTRING (Long string)
↳ Aggregated costs	DOUBLE (Floating-point number)
↳ Aggregated execution time	TIME (Time)
↳ Aggregated personnel costs	DOUBLE (Floating-point number)
↳ Aggregated resting time	TIME (Time)
↳ Aggregated transport time	TIME (Time)
↳ Aggregated waiting time	TIME (Time)
↳ AnimRep (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
↳ Assignments (Metamodel)	RECORD (Record table)
↳ AttrRep (Metamodel)	LONGSTRING (Long string)
↳ Auditing	ENUMERATION (Enumeration)
↳ Average number of participants (Metamodel)	INTEGER (Integer)
↳ Beschreibung	STRING (Short string)
↳ Bezeichnung	STRING (Short string)
↳ Call activity	INTERREF (Inter-model reference)
↳ Cardinality	STRING (Short string)
↳ Categories (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
↳ Class cardinality (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
↳ ClassAbstract	INTEGER (Integer)
↳ Classification	ENUMERATIONLIST (Enumeration list)
↳ ClassName	STRING (Short string)
↳ ClassVisible	INTEGER (Integer)
↳ Collection	ENUMERATION (Enumeration)
↳ Comment	STRING (Short string)
↳ Completion condition	STRING (Short string)
↳ Continuous execution (Metamodel)	ENUMERATION (Enumeration)
↳ Cooperation mode (Metamodel)	ENUMERATION (Enumeration)
↳ Cooperative (Metamodel)	ENUMERATION (Enumeration)
↳ Costs	DOUBLE (Floating-point number)
↳ Description	STRING (Short string)
↳ Display responsible role	ENUMERATION (Enumeration)
↳ Documentation (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
↳ Doku	STRING (Short string)
↳ DokuSim	STRING (Short string)
↳ Done by (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
↳ EDP batch costs	DOUBLE (Floating-point number)
↳ EDP transaction costs	DOUBLE (Floating-point number)
↳ Execution interruptable (Metamodel)	ENUMERATION (Enumeration)
↳ Execution time (Metamodel)	TIME (Time)
↳ External documentation	PROGRAMCALL (Program call)
↳ External tool coupling (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
↳ fontcolor (Metamodel)	EXPRESSION (Expression)
↳ For compensation	ENUMERATION (Enumeration)
↳ Global task	ENUMERATION (Enumeration)
↳ GraphRep (Metamodel)	LONGSTRING (Long string)
↳ HlpTxt (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
↳ Id	EXPRESSION (Expression)
↳ Info on results	STRING (Short string)

Buttons: New, Edit..., Copy..., Delete, View, Close, Help



# Defining a new Attribute

Class hierarchy:

[-] X	_D_construct_ (Metamodel)	
[+]	X	_D_event_ (Metamodel)
[+]	X	_D_variable_ (Metamodel)
[+]	X	_D_random_generator_ (Metamodel)
[+]	X	_D_resource_ (Metamodel)
[+]	X	_D_container_ (Metamodel)
[+]	X	_D_agent_ (Metamodel)
[+]	X	_LibraryMetaData_
[+]	X	_ModelTypeMetaData_
[+]	A	
[+]	[-] C	
[+]	[-] a1	INTEGER (Integer)
[+]	[-] a2	RECORD (Record table)
[+]	[-] a3	STRING (Short string)
[+]	[-] a4	INTERREF (Inter-model reference)
[+]	[-] AnimRep (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
[+]	[-] AttrRep (Metamodel)	LONGSTRING (Long string)
[+]	[-] Class cardinality (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
[+]	[-] ClassAbstract	INTEGER (Integer)
[+]	[-] ClassName	STRING (Short string)
[+]	[-] ClassVisible	INTEGER (Integer)
[+]	[-] External tool coupling (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
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[+]	[-] HipTxt (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
[+]	[-] Model pointer (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
[+]	[-] Position (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
[+]	[-] VisibleAttrs (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
[+]	[-] WF_Trans (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
[+]	B	
[+]	W	
[+]	[-] _G_	
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[+]	[-] WF_Trans (Metamodel)	STRING (Short string)
[+]	[-] Relation classes	

**1. Select class**      **2. Right mouse click**

**3. Select „New Attribute“**

**4. Define Attribute**

Add new attribute

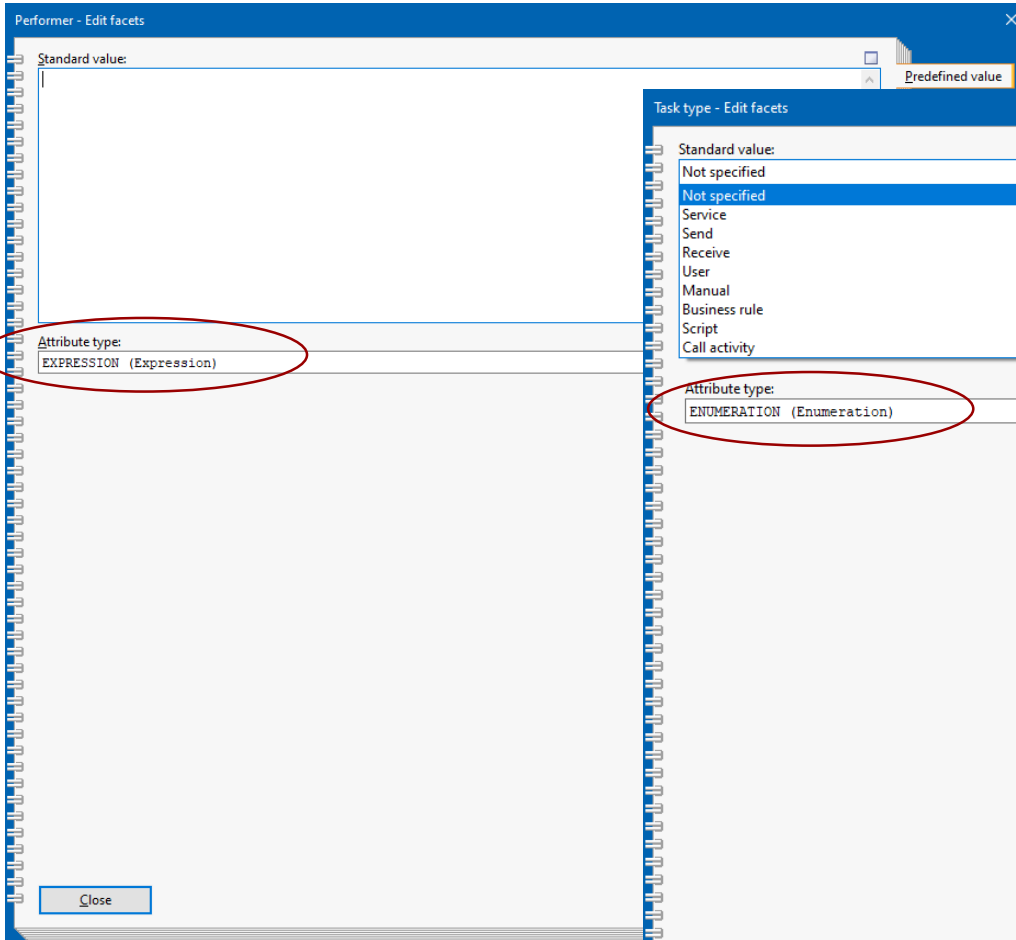
Attribute name:

Type:

- CLOB (Character Large Object)
- DATE (Date)
- DATETIME (Date and time)
- DOUBLE (Floating-point number)
- ENUMERATION (Enumeration)
- ENUMERATIONLIST (Enumeration list)
- EXPRESSION (Expression)
- INTEGER (Integer)
- INTERREF (Inter-model reference)
- LONGSTRING (Long string)
- PROFREF (Attribute profile reference)**
- PROGRAMCALL (Program call)
- RECORD (Record table)
- STRING (Short string)
- TIME (Time)

# Examples of Attributes

## Performer



Performer - Edit facets

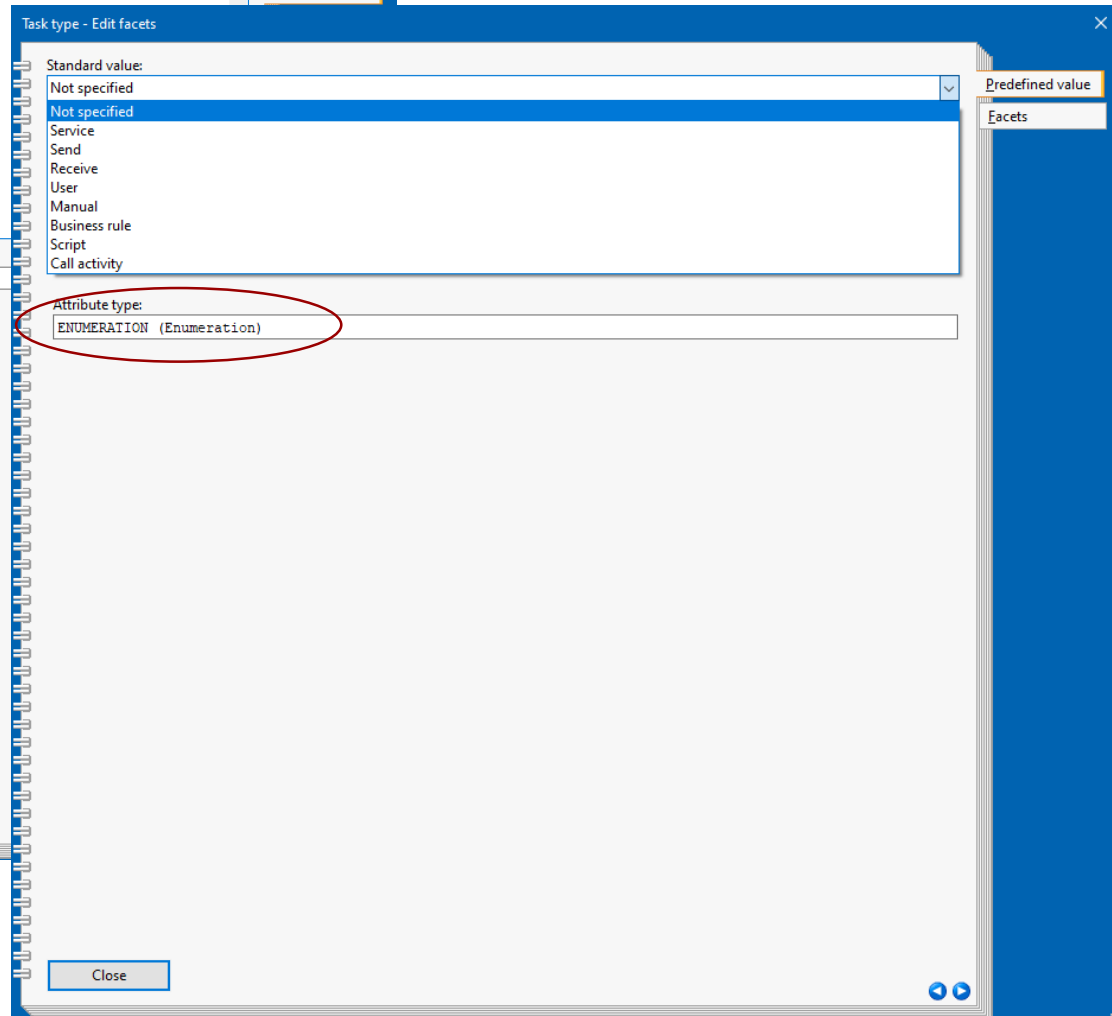
Standard value:

Predefined value

Attribute type:  
EXPRESSION (Expression)

Close

## Task Type



Task type - Edit facets

Standard value:

Not specified

Not specified

Service

Send

Receive

User

Manual

Business rule

Script

Call activity

Predefined value

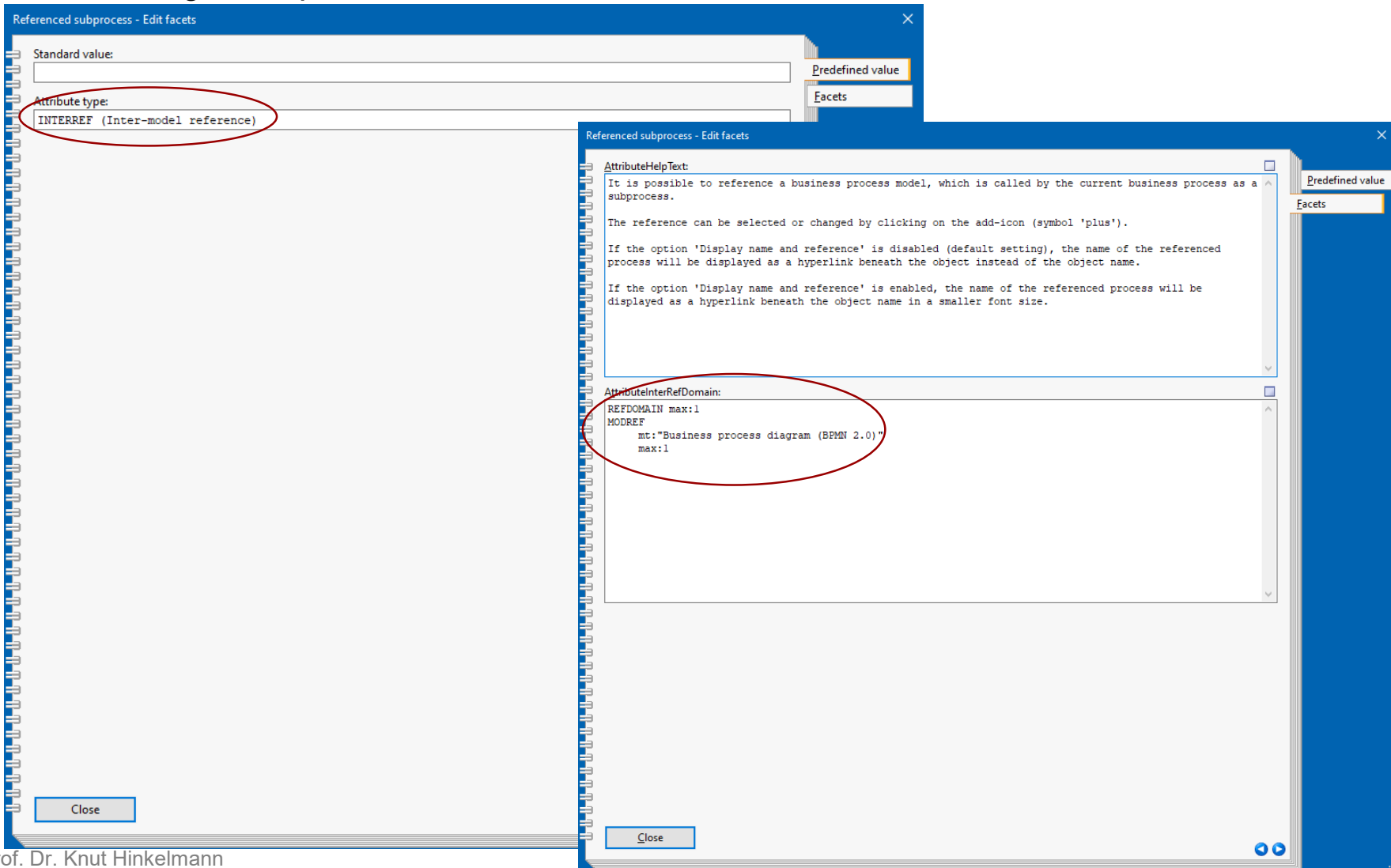
Facets

Attribute type:  
ENUMERATION (Enumeration)

Close

# References

## Referencing a Subprocess



The image shows two overlapping windows titled "Referenced subprocess - Edit facets".

The top window has the following fields:

- Standard value: [Empty text box]
- Attribute type: INTERREF (Inter-model reference) [Circled in red]

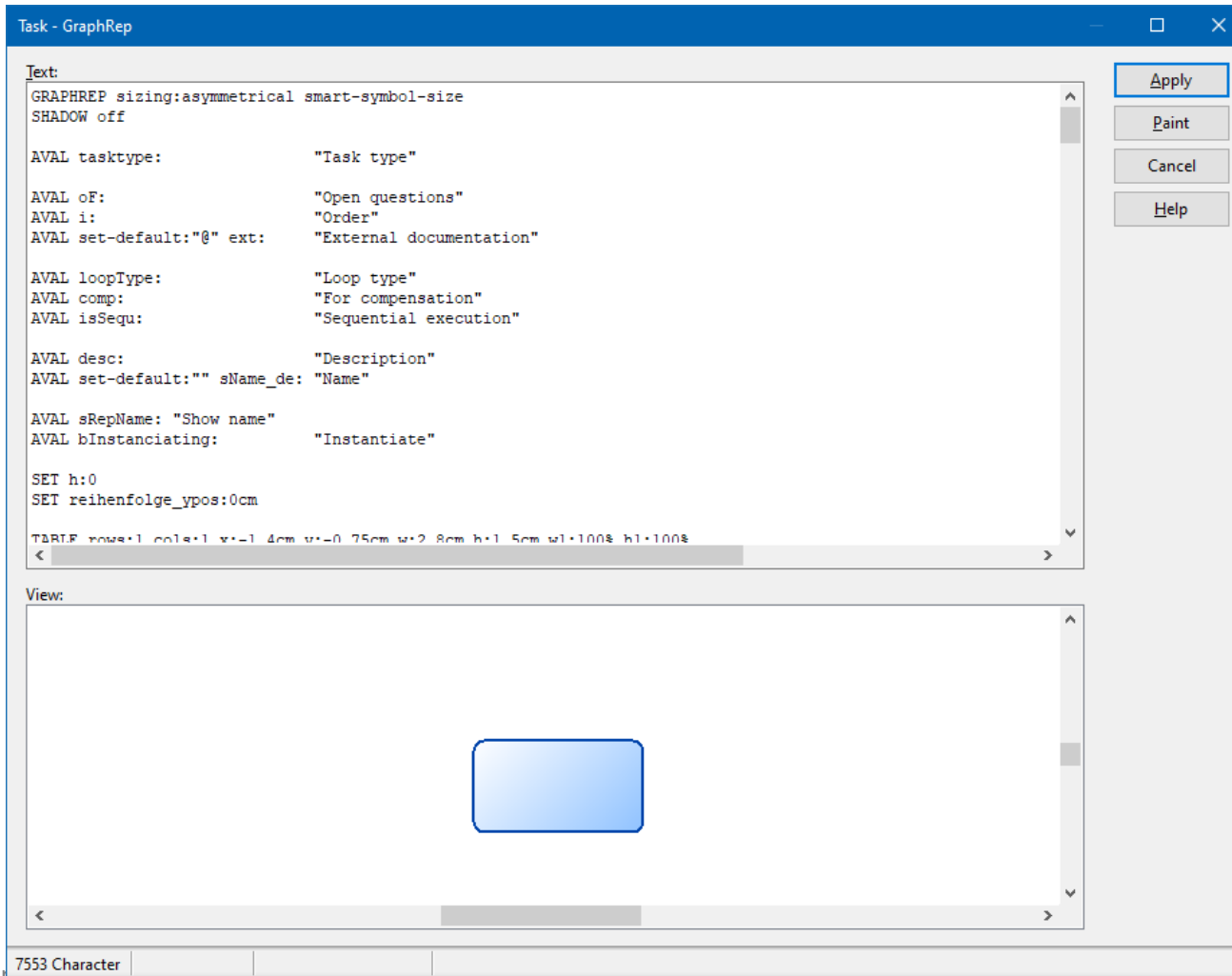
The bottom window has the following fields:

- AttributeHelpText: [Text area containing help text for referencing a subprocess]
- AttributeInterRefDomain: REFDOMAIN max:1, MODREF mt:"Business process diagram (BPMN 2.0)" max:1 [Circled in red]

Both windows have a "Close" button at the bottom left and a "Facets" tab on the right side.

# Special Attribute GraphRep

GraphRep: A script language for the graphical representation



The screenshot shows a window titled "Task - GraphRep" with a blue title bar. The main area is divided into two sections: "Text" and "View".

**Text:**

```
GRAPHREP sizing:asymmetrical smart-symbol-size
SHADOW off

AVAL tasktype:          "Task type"

AVAL oF:                "Open questions"
AVAL i:                 "Order"
AVAL set-default:"@" ext: "External documentation"

AVAL loopType:         "Loop type"
AVAL comp:              "For compensation"
AVAL isSequ:           "Sequential execution"

AVAL desc:              "Description"
AVAL set-default:"" sName_de: "Name"

AVAL sRepName: "Show name"
AVAL bInstanciating:   "Instantiate"

SET h:0
SET reihenfolge_ypos:0cm

TABLE rows:1 cols:1 x:-1.4cm y:-0.75cm w:2.8cm h:1.5cm w1:100% h1:100%
```

**View:**

The view window displays a single blue rounded rectangle centered on a white background.

On the right side of the window, there are four buttons: "Apply", "Paint", "Cancel", and "Help".

At the bottom of the window, a status bar shows "7553 Character".

# GraphRep Elements

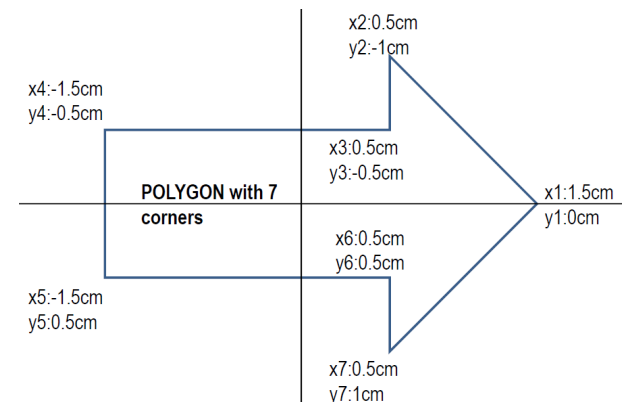
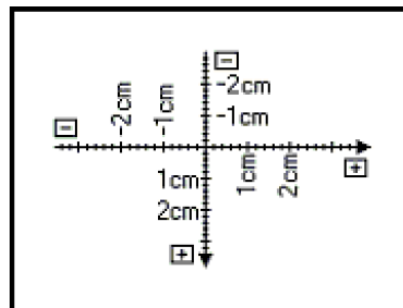
## GraphRep Elements

- Types of elements
  - ◆ Style elements
  - ◆ Shape elements
  - ◆ Variable assigning elements
  - ◆ Context elements
  - ◆ Control elements

```

Edge | Start | Middle | End |
Pen | Fill | Shadow | Stretch | Map | Font |
ClipRect | ClipRoundRect | ClipPoly | ClipEllipse | ClipOff |
Point | Line | PolyLine | Arc | Bezier | Curve |
Rectangle | RoundRect | Polygon | Ellipse | Pie |
BeginPath | MoveTo | LineTo | BezierTo |
EndPath | DrawPath |
Compound | Bitmap | GradientRect | GradientTri |
Text | Attr | Hotspot |
Set | Aval | Table | TextBox | AttrBox | BitmapInfo |
IfStatement | WhileStatement |
ForNumStatement | ForTokenStatement | Execute.
  
```

- Elements are placed on x-y-axes



# GraphRep Examples

```

GRAPHREP
SHADOW off

FILL color:blue
ELLIPSE x:0.00cm y:0cm rx:1cm ry:1cm

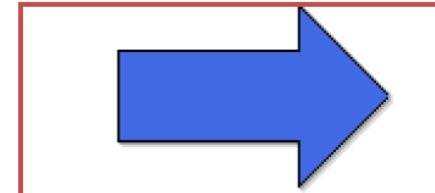
ATTR "Name" x:0.00cm y:1.0cm w:c
  
```



```

GRAPHREP
FILL color:royalblue
POLYGON 7 x1:1.5cm y1:0cm x2:0.5cm
y2:-1cm x3:0.5cm y3:-0.5cm x4:-1.5cm
y4:-0.5cm x5:-1.5cm y5:0.5cm
x6:0.5cm y6:0.5cm x7:0.5cm y7:1cm

ATTR "Name" y:1.4cm w:c h:c
  
```

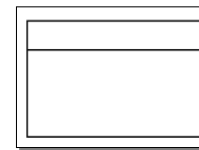


In case attribute name is available, it is shown here

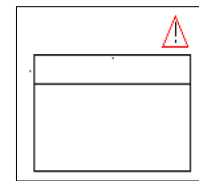
## Conditional Representation

```

GRAPHREP
AVAL set-default:"Modeling finished" b:"Status"
SHADOW off
FILL style:null
POLYGON 4 x1:-1.54cm y1:0.92cm x2:1.54cm y2:0.92cm
x3:1.54cm y3:-0.98cm x4:-1.54cm y4:-0.98cm
LINE x1:-1.54cm y1:-0.50cm x2:1.54cm y2:-0.50cm
IF (b = "Modeling not finished")
  LINE x1:1.25cm y1:-1.5cm x2:1.25cm y2:-1.3cm
  LINE x1:1.25cm y1:-1.22cm x2:1.25cm y2:-1.18cm
  PEN color:red
  POLYGON 3 x1:1cm y1:-1.1cm x2:1.25cm y2:-1.6cm
x3:1.50cm y3:-1.1cm
ENDIF
  
```



Condition fulfilled



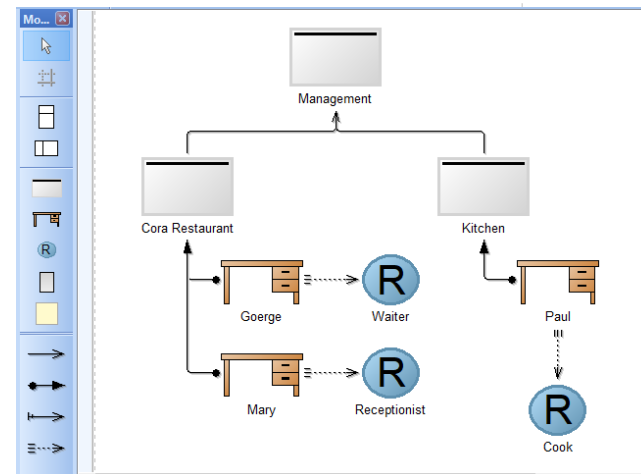
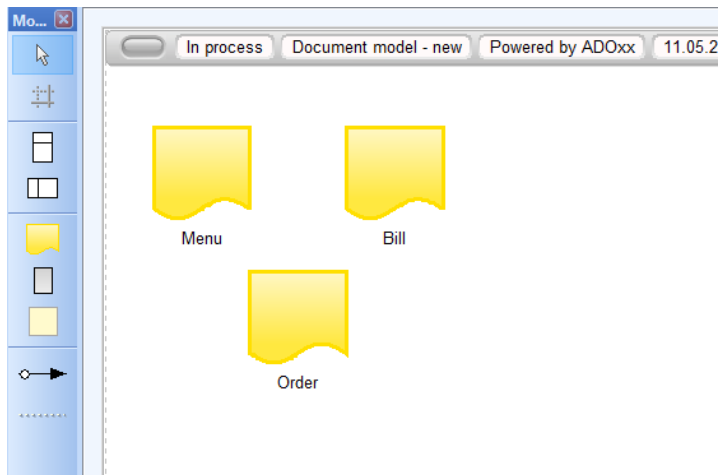
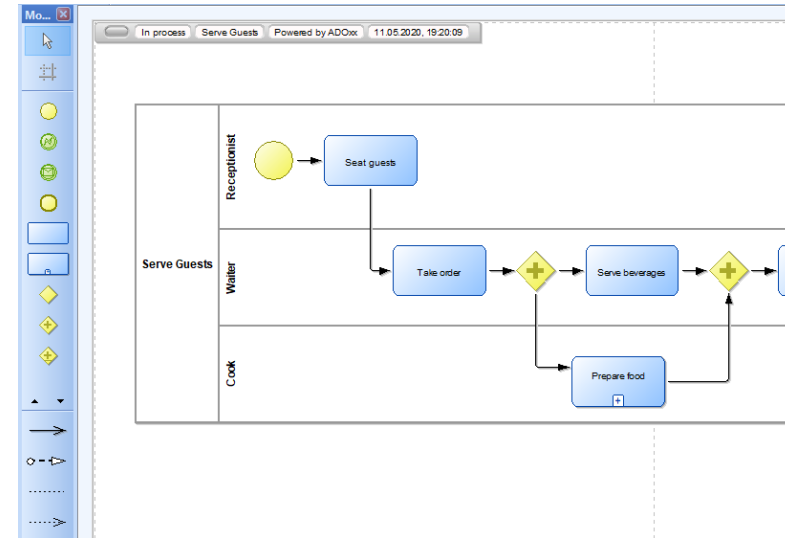
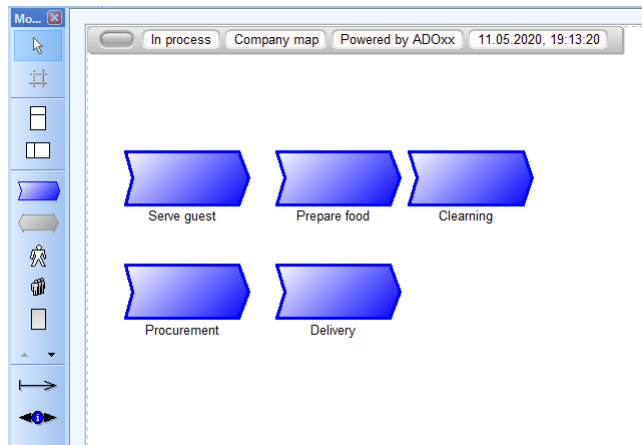
Condition not fulfilled

# AttrRep

The class attribute „AttrRep“ controls the structure of the ADOxx-Notebook.

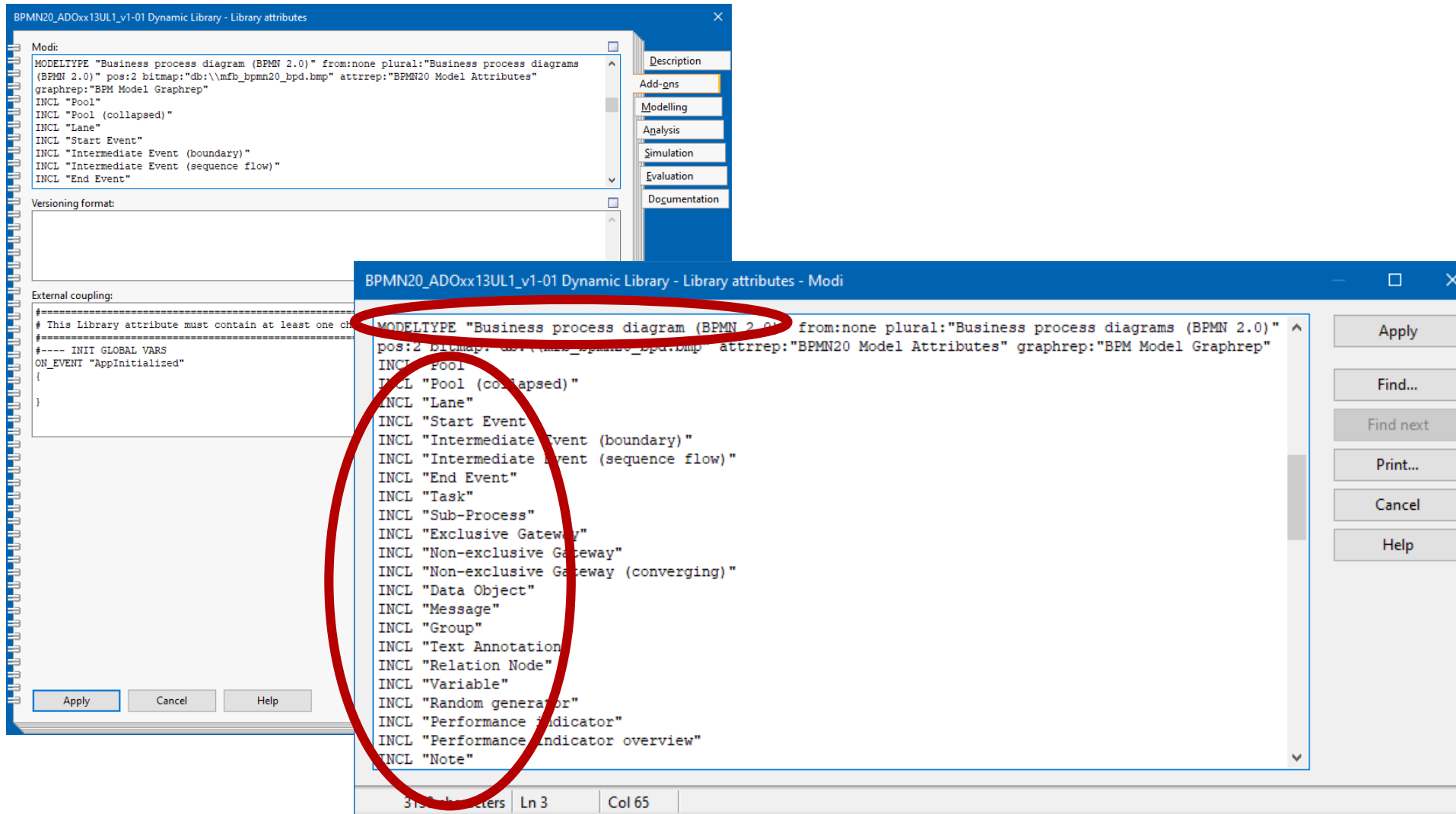


# Model Types: Representation Views on the Knowledge





# Classes are assigned to Model Types



The screenshot displays two overlapping windows from the BPMN20 software. The background window, titled "BPMN20\_ADOxx13UL1\_v1-01 Dynamic Library - Library attributes", shows a list of model types under the "Modi:" section. The foreground window, titled "BPMN20\_ADOxx13UL1\_v1-01 Dynamic Library - Library attributes - Modi", shows a detailed list of model types with their corresponding class names. A red oval highlights the first line of the list in the foreground window, which is: `MODELTYPE "Business process diagram (BPMN 2.0)" from:none plural:"Business process diagrams (BPMN 2.0)"`. The rest of the list includes various BPMN elements like "Pool", "Lane", "Start Event", "Task", "Gateway", etc., each associated with a specific class name.

```
MODELTYPE "Business process diagram (BPMN 2.0)" from:none plural:"Business process diagrams (BPMN 2.0)"
pos:2 bitmap:"db:\\mf_bpmn20_bpd.bmp" attrrep:"BPMN20 Model Attributes" graphrep:"BPM Model Graphrep"
INCL "Pool"
INCL "Pool (collapsed)"
INCL "Lane"
INCL "Start Event"
INCL "Intermediate Event (boundary)"
INCL "Intermediate Event (sequence flow)"
INCL "End Event"
INCL "Task"
INCL "Sub-Process"
INCL "Exclusive Gateway"
INCL "Non-exclusive Gateway"
INCL "Non-exclusive Gateway (converging)"
INCL "Data Object"
INCL "Message"
INCL "Group"
INCL "Text Annotation"
INCL "Relation Node"
INCL "Variable"
INCL "Random generator"
INCL "Performance Indicator"
INCL "Performance Indicator overview"
INCL "Note"
```