

Operational Threat & Risk Information Sharing and Analytics

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Draft specification artifacts

Specification Document (PDF): <http://tinyurl.com/qdfl6jl>

<http://www.threatrisk.org/spec/RevisedSubmission/Revised%20Operational%20Threat%20Risk%20Submission.pdf>

Specification Document (.DOC): <http://tinyurl.com/p6ykkrm>

<http://www.threatrisk.org/spec/RevisedSubmission/Revised%20Operational%20Threat%20Risk%20Submission.doc>

Specification .ZIP with all models: <http://tinyurl.com/o2vkkss>

<http://www.threatrisk.org/spec/RevisedSubmission/Revised%20threat-risk%20Submission%20machine%20readable%20files.zip>

Web view of models: <http://tinyurl.com/q29clvk>

<http://www.threatrisk.org/spec/Threat%20Risk%20Model.html>

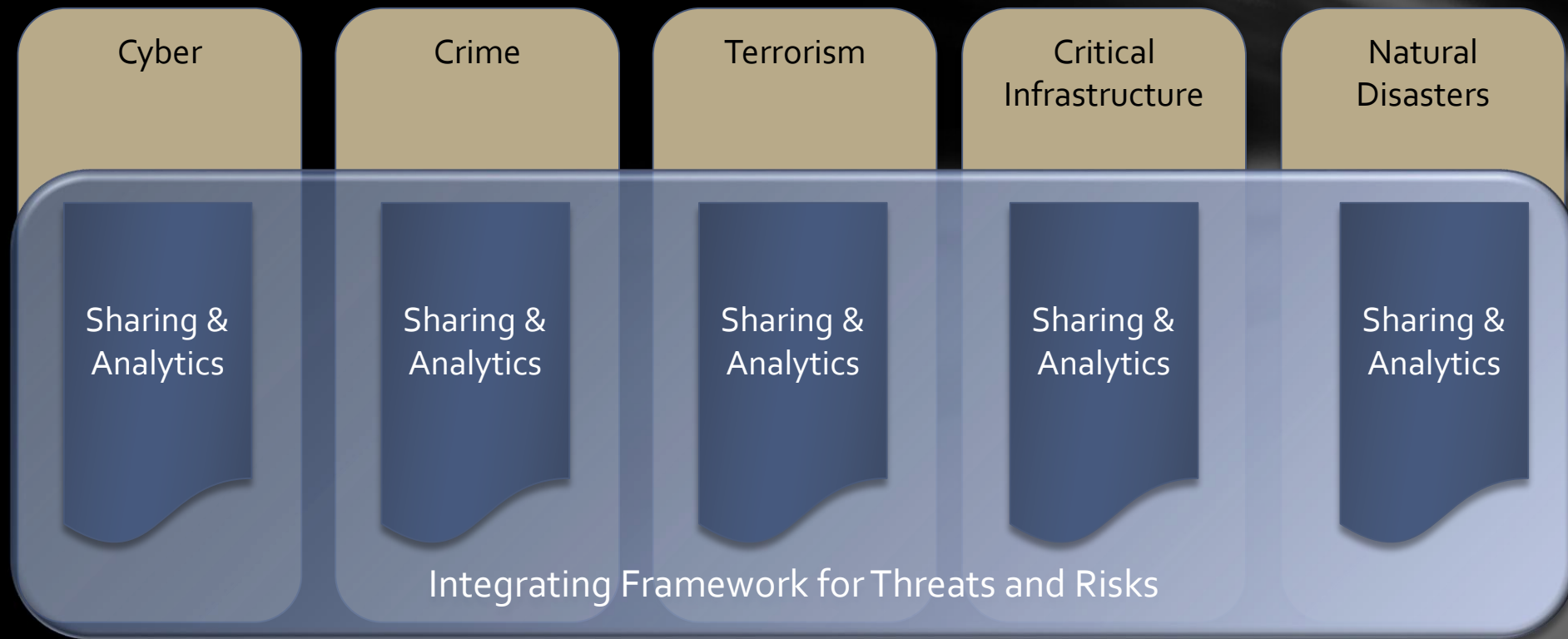
Community portal: <http://threatrisk.org/>

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Problem Space

- » There is a critical need to understand and mitigate threats and risks – to “connect the dots”.
- » The Landscape of threats is changing
 - Multiple attack vectors, cyber/physical and other
 - Advanced threats utilize multiple vulnerabilities
- » There are multiple communities addressing the same threats
 - Cyber/physical, emergency management, safety, defense, etc.
- » No comprehensive consistent semantic framework
 - Existing systems provide insular treatment of threat/risk relationships
 - Comprehensive system would allow system-of-systems interoperability (private/private, public/private)

What we need is an integrating framework that supports automated data mapping



An integrating framework that helps us deal with all aspects of a risk or incident
A federation of risk and threat information sharing and analytics capabilities

Primary classes of use cases

Transformation from one information sharing data format to another

- Example: STIX Cyber Event to NIEM to a CAP Alert

Analytics of information federated from multiple sources

- Examples:
 - Fusion center “connects the dots” between a stolen laptop (from NIEM) and a cyber incident (From STIX)
 - Bio hazard detected by automated instruments and collaborated by local health care professionals

Approach

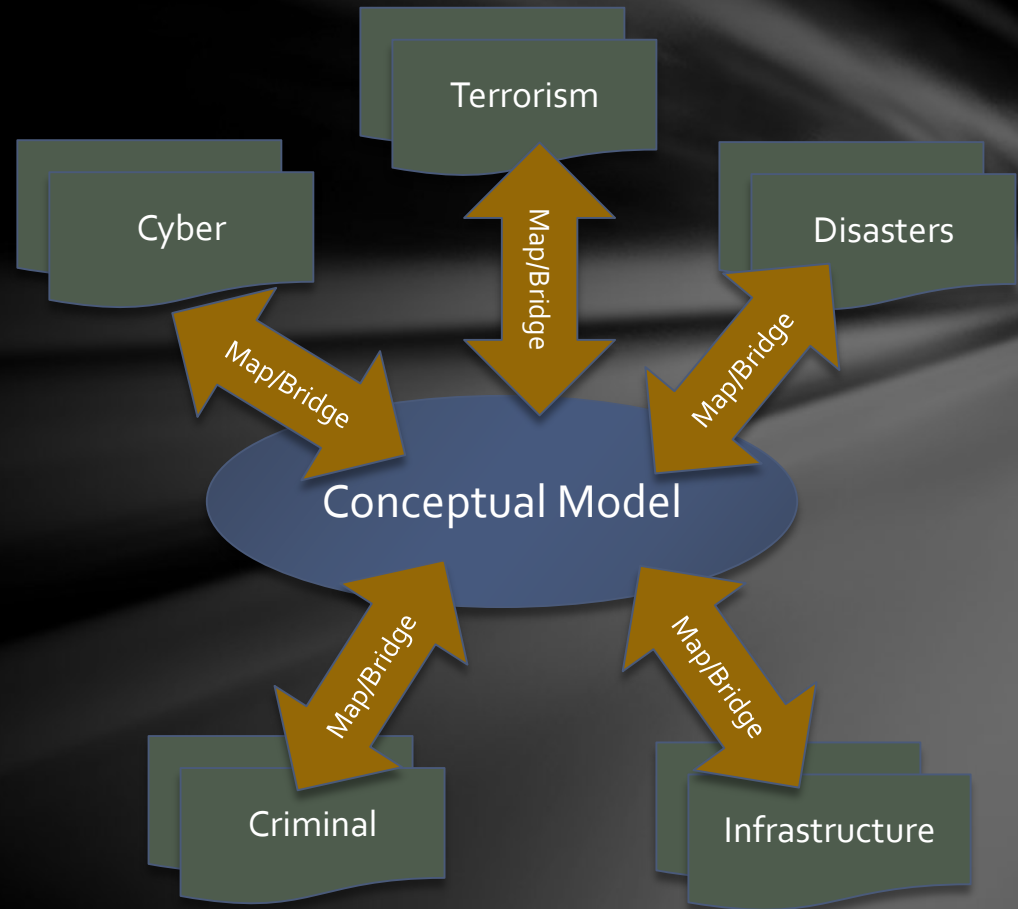
Construct a conceptual model informed by existing schema, research and best practices

- This conceptual model is independent of specific data structures, technologies and terminologies

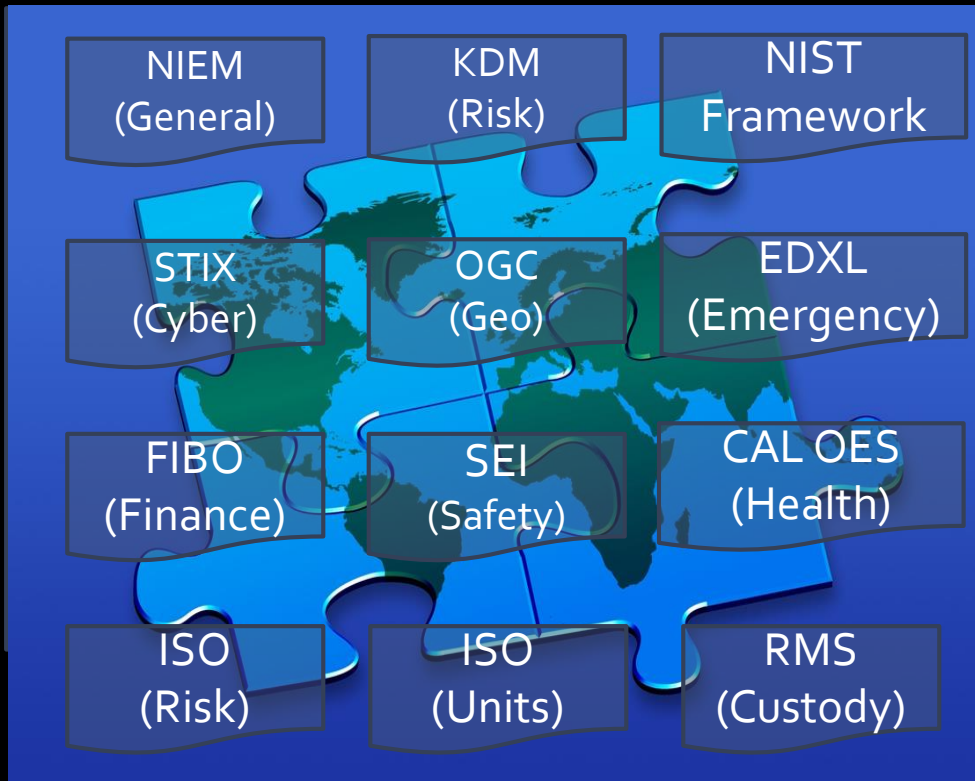
Define mapping models between the conceptual model and purpose/technology schema

Make both models sufficiently precise that they can drive **automated bridging between any mapped schema**

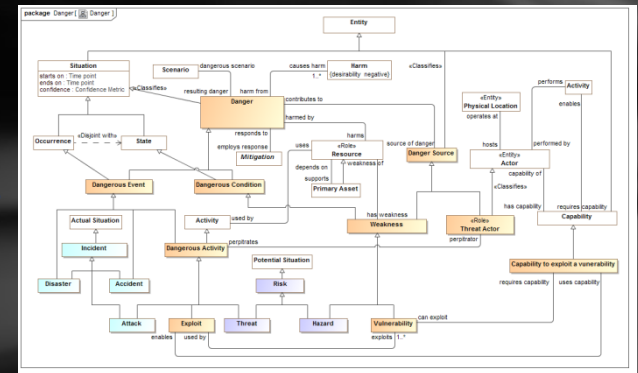
Highlight $O(N)$ vs. $O(N^2)$



Conceptual Model Inputs



Conceptual Model



MAP

STIX, NIEM,
EDXL, Others

There is still more to do to fully integrate the above and we anticipate more inputs and use cases

The Process

*Building a community and standards
to protect against threats and risks*

Open Community Process

Our goal is to create and encourage

- Open standards for threat and risk information sharing
- A community of information providers, consumers, analysts and products
- The standards process is organized under the “Object Management Group” (www.omg.org)
- The community “home” is www.threatrisk.org

While not required by OMG process, the submission team publishes draft specifications to invite comment, engagement, community building and implementation. OMG Membership is encouraged but not required.

Stakeholders may contribute to the specification.

We are also exploring options for open source implementations



Who Is OMG?

Object Management Group (OMG):

- Founded in 1989
- More than 470 member companies
- The largest and longest standing not-for-profit, open-membership consortium which develops and maintains computer industry specifications.
- Continuously evolving to remain current while retaining a position of thought leadership.





Developing Standards

Standards are developed using OMG's mature, worldwide, open development process. With over 20 years of standards work, OMG's one-organization, one-vote policy ensures that every vendor and end-user, large and small, has an effective voice in the process.



Finance



Healthcare



Insurance



Government



OMG's Best-Known Successes



Common Object Request Broker Architecture

- CORBA® remains the only language- and platform-neutral interoperability standard

Unified Modeling Language

- UML® remains the world's only standardized modeling language

Business Process Modeling Notation

- BPMN™ provides businesses with the capability of understanding their internal business procedures

Common Warehouse Metamodel

- CWM™, the integration of the last two data warehousing initiatives

Meta-Object Facility

- MOF™, the repository standard

XML Metadata Interchange

- XMI®, the XML-UML standard

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Demandware

U.S. Air force

U.S. Defense Security Services

California Public Safety (<http://www.Caloes.ca.gov>)

U.S. National Information Sharing Model PMO
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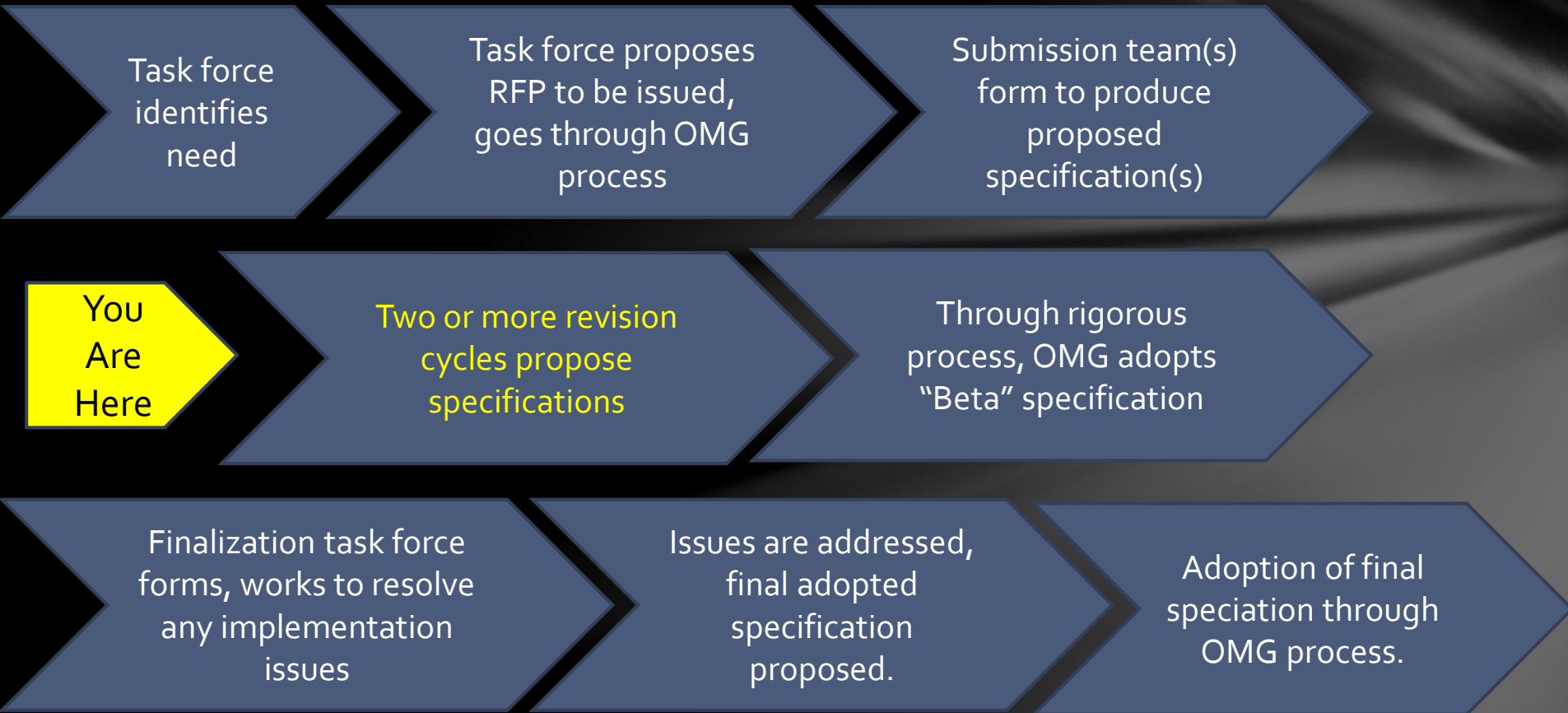
Hitachi

NC4

Others pending approval

TEAM THREAT

Summary Of OMG RFP Process



Status

Threat Modeling project kicked off in Dec 2013

Initial submission was made May 2015

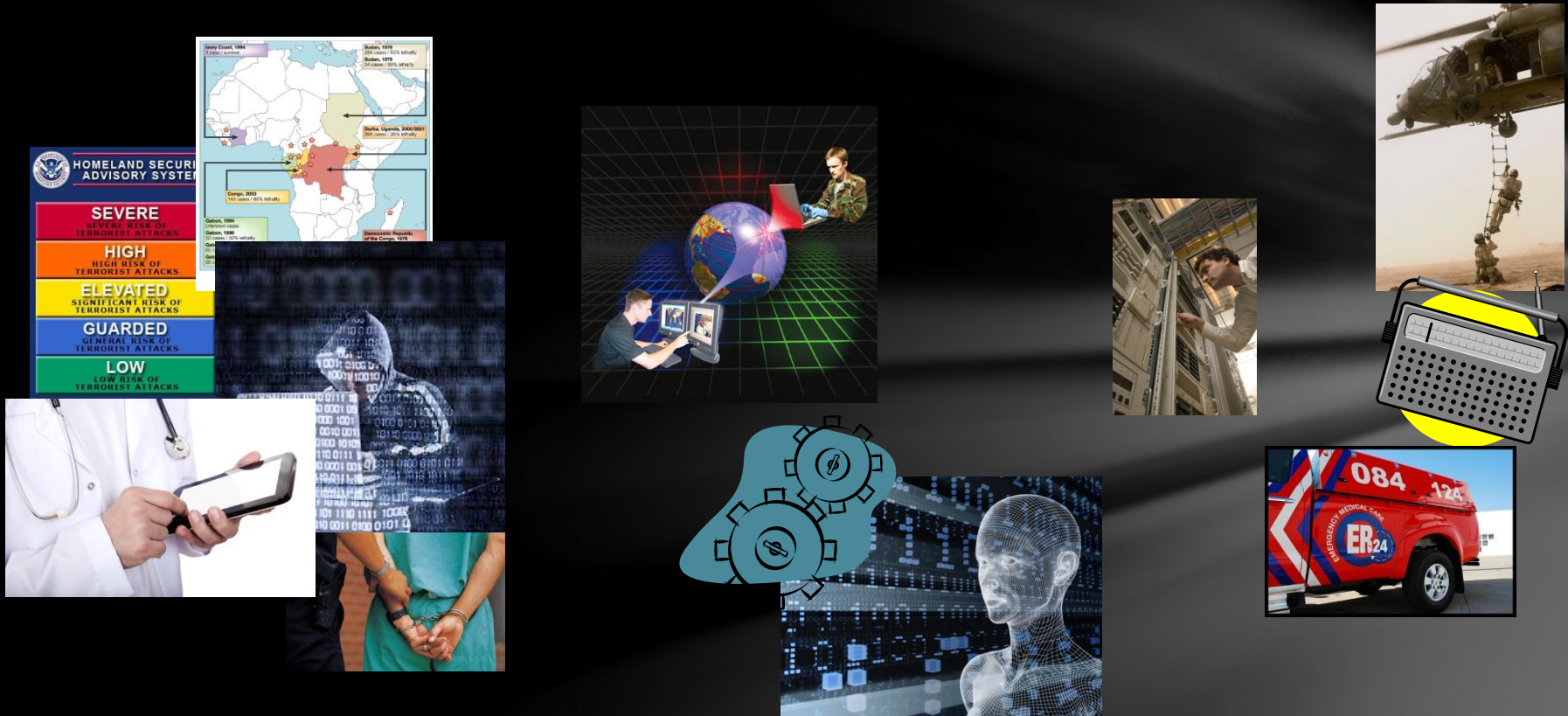
Revised Submission November 2015, to be presented at December OMG meeting

Next (and probably final) revised submission May 23rd

Full adoption by OMG Board of Directors: Mid to late 2016

Implementation efforts need not wait, draft specification can (and should) be implemented to validate the proposed standard.

Stakeholder roles in our community



Risk/Threat Information Sources

Data Fusion & Brokers

Analysts

Defenders

Responders

Vendors & Service Providers

One organization may play multiple roles

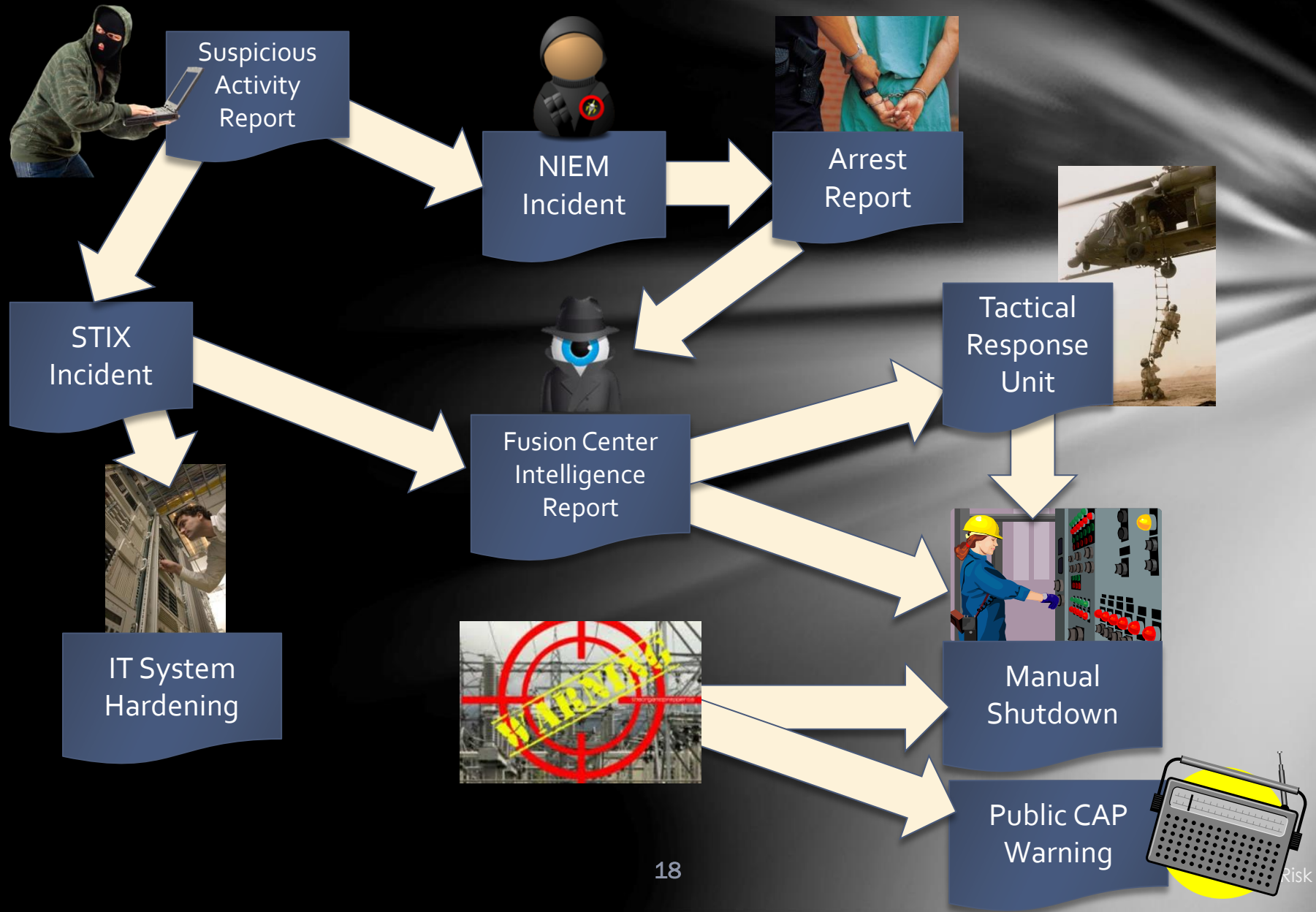
Use Case – Critical Infrastructure

Target: A group of organizations that collaboratively manage critical infrastructure and utilize Industrial Control Systems.

Power, water and other critical infrastructure are threatened by cyber and physical terrorism.

Industrial Control Systems are increasingly computer controlled and connected (directly or indirectly) to the internet and may embed compromised control hardware/software from questionable sources.

Potential Information Flows



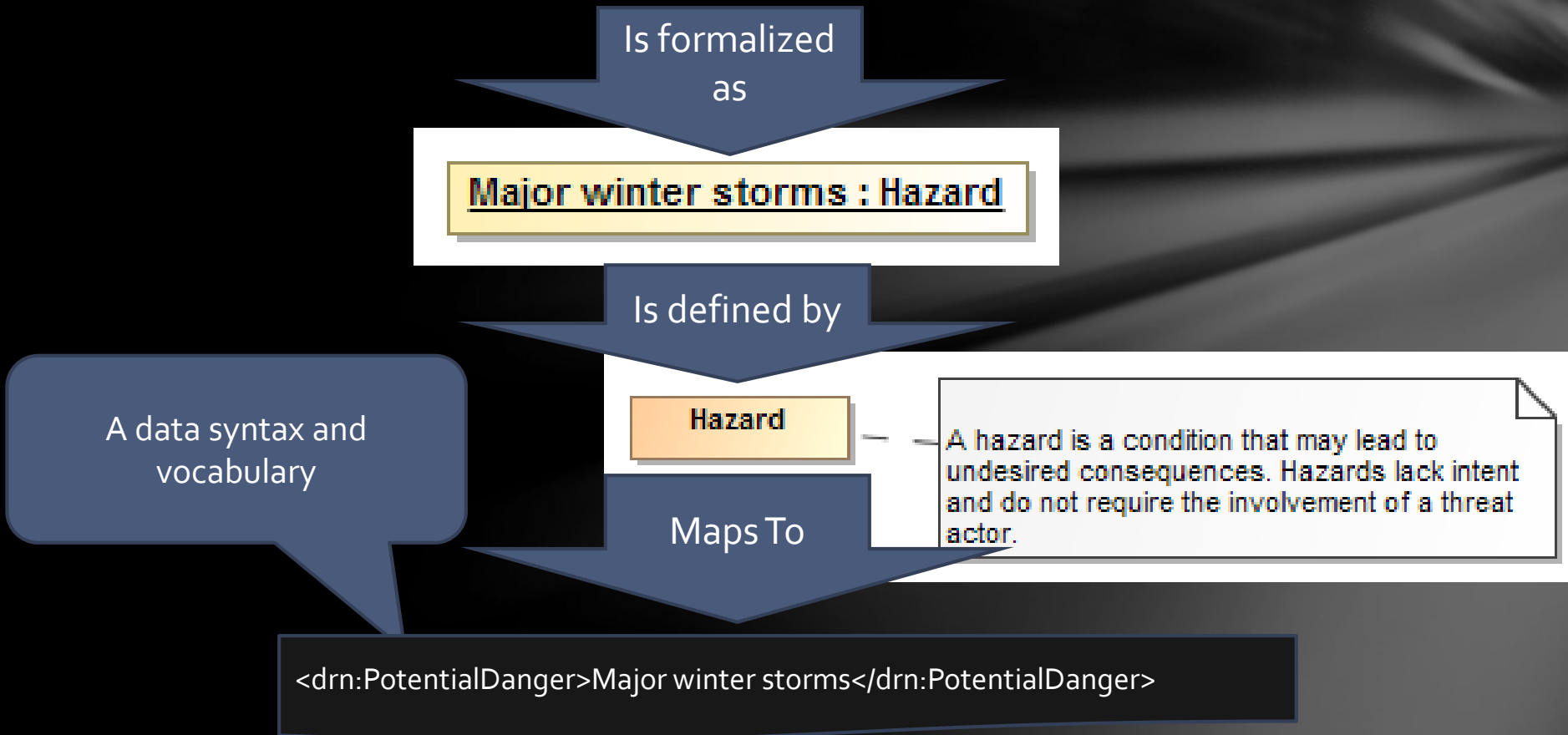


In January 2015 Massachusetts faced the Hazard of major winter storms across the region. Potential Harm from blizzards and winter storms includes negative economic impact, limited road accessibility, restricted emergency management, non-availability of utility, property damage, personal injury and death, and more.

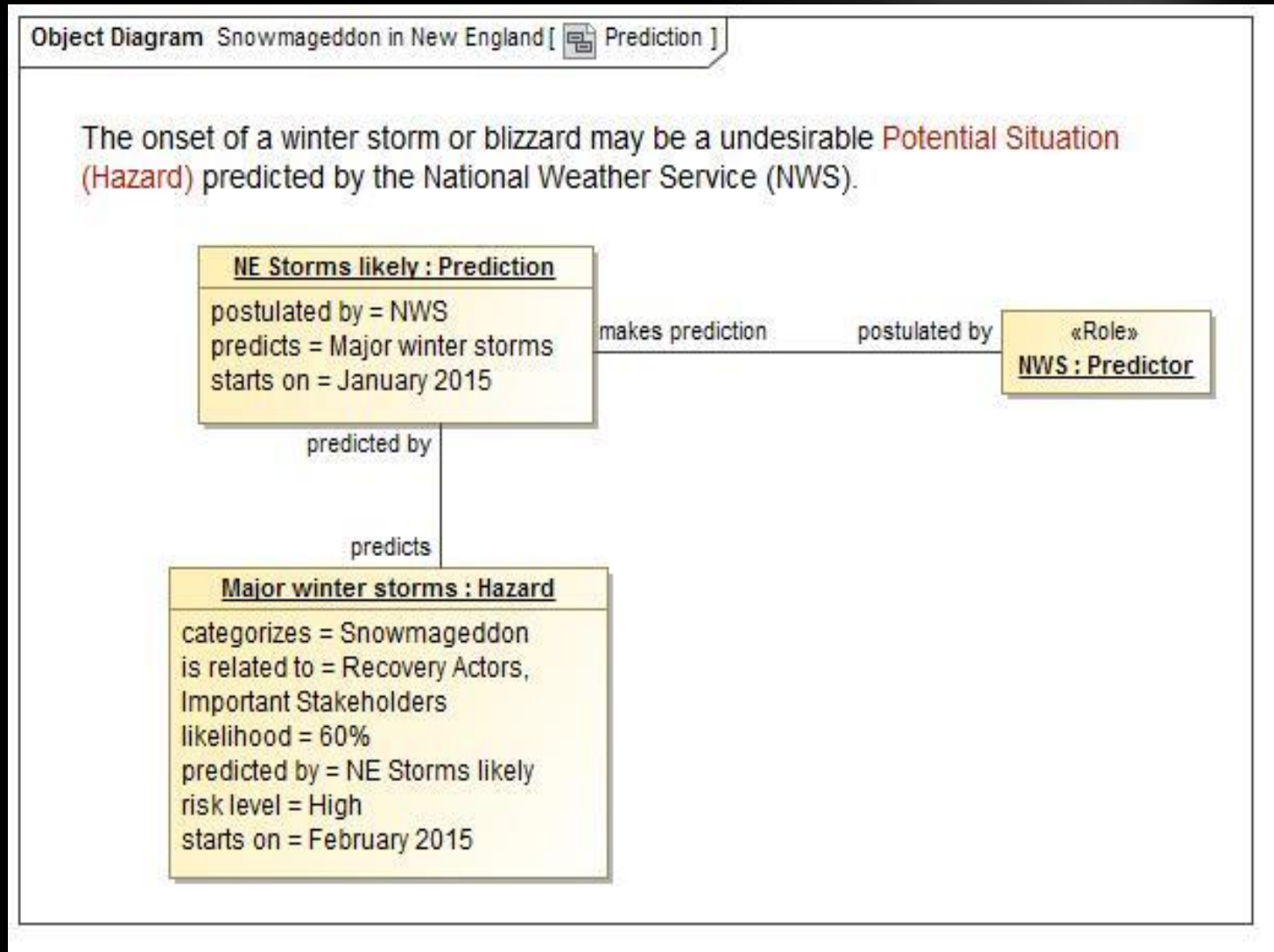
The onset of a winter storm or blizzard was predicted by the National Weather Service (NWS).

Example of structuring risk information

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A Potential Storm? Who said this?



Precepts

- » The purpose/organizational/technology specific schema will not (should not) go away
- » A “one size fits all” solution will not work
 - There will be no one technology
 - There will be no one terminology or language
 - There will be no one data structure for threats and risks
- » Our focus is federation
 - Understanding the concepts behind the schema
 - Mapping them to/through a common conceptual model
 - Enabling interoperability by bridging between the specific schema
 - Supporting integration and coordination of mitigation and response capabilities

Core Concept: Comprehending Planned and Unplanned Threats

- » “All hazards” include man-made and natural disasters/system failures
 - There is not always an actor involved (e.g. hurricane, system malfunction)
- » Intentional threat actors are not the only source of threats
 - Non-malicious actors may constitute significant threat (e.g. spear-phishing victim, power plant operator)
 - Defenders (e.g. system admins, law enforcement, medical staff) are also actors with defensive plans
 - Victims are actors as well

Core Concept: Attacker/Defender Symmetry

- » Attack perspective:
 - Defender: Attackers/hazards are threats
 - Attacker: Targets are opportunities
- » Defense perspective:
 - Attacker: Successful defense is a threat to the intentions/objectives
 - Defender: Maintaining effective defensive posture is an opportunity
- » Threat vs. Opportunity is in the eye of the emoticon – it is not sufficient to create static classifications



Opportunity!



Capability to disrupt the power grid

Threat!



Understanding the models

Kinds of models

Conceptual models

- Defines the terms and concepts of the threat & risk domain as a semantic model. Conceptual models can also be transformed to ontologies.

Data models

- Represents specific logical or physical data schema for a specific purpose – more concrete and structured.
- Data models are a direct representation of some kind of schema, e.g. XML Schema, SQL Schema or RDF Schema.

Mappings

- Mappings relate a data model to one or more conceptual models to provide for automated transformation and federation of information in these different formats.
- The conceptual models become the “pivot point” between multiple data representations of the same and related concepts.

Pivoting Through a Conceptual Model

Data representations (Schema & Instances)

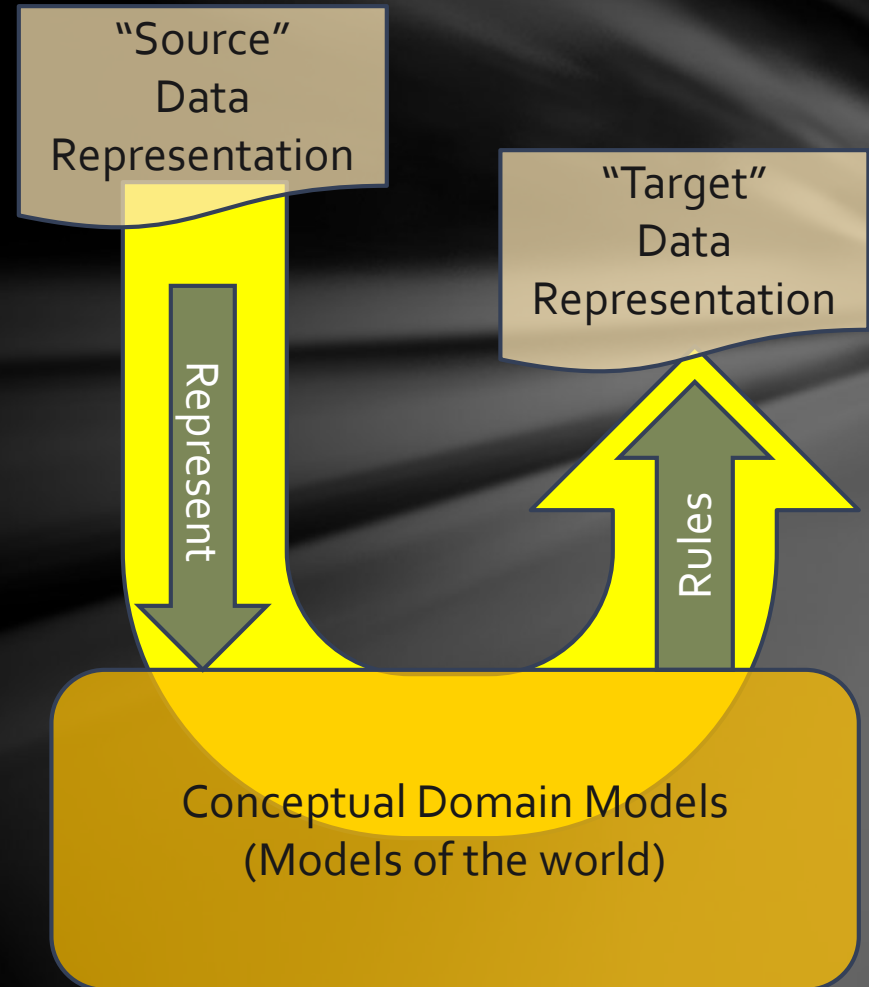
- Model data for a purpose using a technology
- “Instances” are data structures (e.g. SQL tables or XML documents) – “facts” about the things in the world from some perspective

Conceptual Domain Models (CDM)

- A conception of the world by a group of stakeholders – less purpose specific
- “Instances” are things in the world – so can’t be in models

Using abstraction, we can have multiple **representations** of facts about the world in different data structures and technologies

Rules define how domain concepts can be represented in a particular form – rules can be simple and generic or heavyweight and specific, depending on the representation.



Mappings included

STIX – Structured Threat Information Exchange, for Cyber threat information. (Moving to Oasis “CTI”)

NIEM – National Information Exchange Model – For justice, public safety and other domains.

Risk Model – A concrete risk model for data interchange is included and mapped as none currently exists as a standard.

NIST 800-53 – Security and Privacy Controls for information systems. This is not a data mapping but shows how the concepts support the controls.

Note: More mappings are anticipated as the initiative unfolds. Some may be published but not standardized.

Representing the data and schema









Options

UML Diagrams

Tables

Schema

UML is about the information and semantics, not the diagrams. The diagrams and tables support communication of the concepts.

30	 Consequence	 affects	to act on; produce an effect or change in:
31	 Consequence	 degree of affect	A metric for how much the consequence affects the objective
32	 Consequence	 desirability	The desirability of the consequence as importance times degree of affect. May be positive or negative.
33	 Consequence	 impact	$\text{Impact} = \text{desirability} * \text{likelihood}$

Conceptual Model Layering

Operational threat situational awareness and response

Operational risk evaluation and mediation

Cross-risk/threat – specific “wide and shallow” risk and threat concepts/ E.G. Risk, threat, danger, consequence

Generic Library – Provides concepts and links across multiple viewpoints, not just threat/risk. E.G. Person, Objective

Kernel– Foundational concepts for modeling anything: Entities, Roles, Relations, Types, Information, Rules, Identity, Etc...

Subset of the model from SIMF

Conceptual Model Packages

Core Concepts

Foundation
Identifiers
Information
Patterns
Process
Quantities and Units
Rules
Situations
Timeframe

Generic Concepts

Ability
Actors
Assessment
Control
Credentials
Enterprise
Entity Kinds
Intent
Location
Observation
Organization
Person
Prediction
Resources
Systems

Threat and Risk Specific Concepts

Campaign
Course of Action
Cyber
Danger Categories
Incident
Indicator
Kill Chain
Mitigation
Risk Treatment
Threat
Undesirable Situations
Vulnerability

Next Steps

Further engagement of stakeholders

Validation against user requirements, use cases and data

Reference and pilot implementations