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软件体系结构

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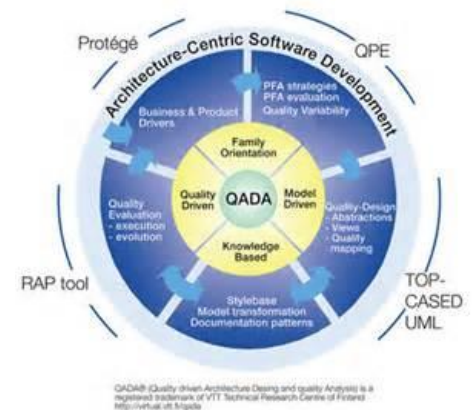
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Software Architecture

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- the components of the software system
- how the components use each other's functionality and data
- How control is managed between the components

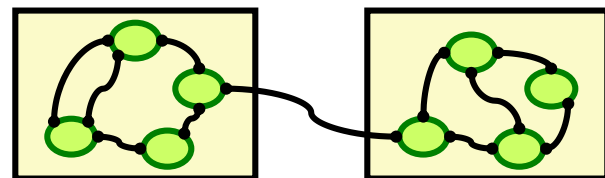
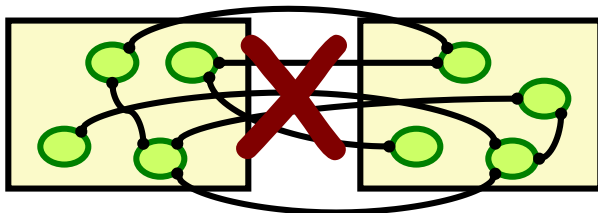


Coupling and Cohesion

- Architectural Building blocks:



- A good architecture:
 - Minimizes **coupling** between modules:
 - Goal: modules don't need to know much about one another to interact
 - Low coupling makes future change easier
 - Maximizes the **cohesion** of each module
 - Goal: the contents of each module are strongly inter-related
 - High cohesion makes a module easier to understand



Coupling

Given two units (e.g. methods, classes, modules, ...), A and B:

<i>Form</i>	<i>Features</i>	<i>Desirability</i>
Data coupling	A & B communicate by simple data only	High (use parameter passing & only pass necessary info)
Stamp coupling	A & B use a common type of data	Okay (but should they be grouped in a data abstraction?)
Control coupling (activating)	A transfers control to B by procedure call	Necessary
Control coupling (switching)	A passes a flag to B to tell it how to behave	Undesirable (why should A interfere like this?)
Common data coupling	A & B make use of a shared data area (global variables)	Undesirable (if you change the shared data, you have to change both A and B)
Content coupling	A changes B's data, or passes control to the middle of B	Extremely Foolish (almost impossible to debug!)

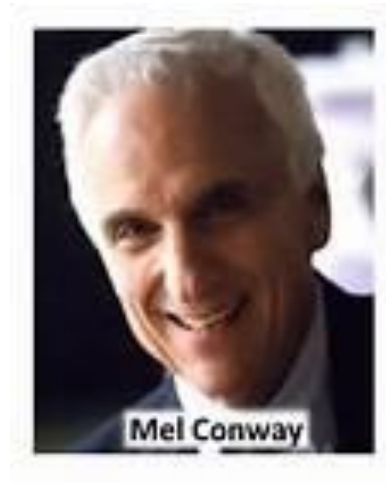
Cohesion

How well do the contents of an object (*module, package,...*) go together?

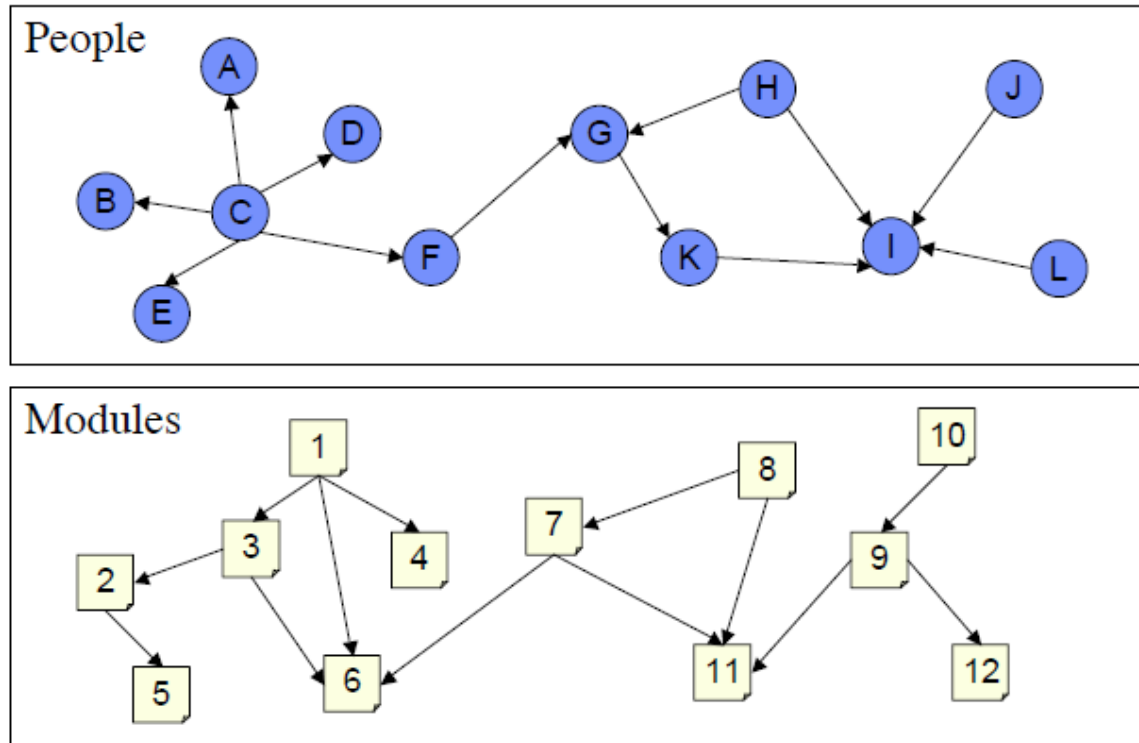
Form	Features	Desirability
Data cohesion	all part of a well defined data abstraction	Very High
Functional cohesion	all part of a single problem solving task	High
Sequential cohesion	outputs of one part form inputs to the next	Okay
Communicational cohesion	operations that use the same input or output data	Moderate
Procedural cohesion	a set of operations that must be executed in a particular order	Low
Temporal cohesion	elements must be active around the same time (e.g. at startup)	Low
Logical cohesion	elements perform logically similar operations (e.g. printing things)	No way!!
Coincidental cohesion	elements have no conceptual link other than repeated code	No way!!

Conway's Law

"The structure of a software system reflects the structure of the organisation that built it"

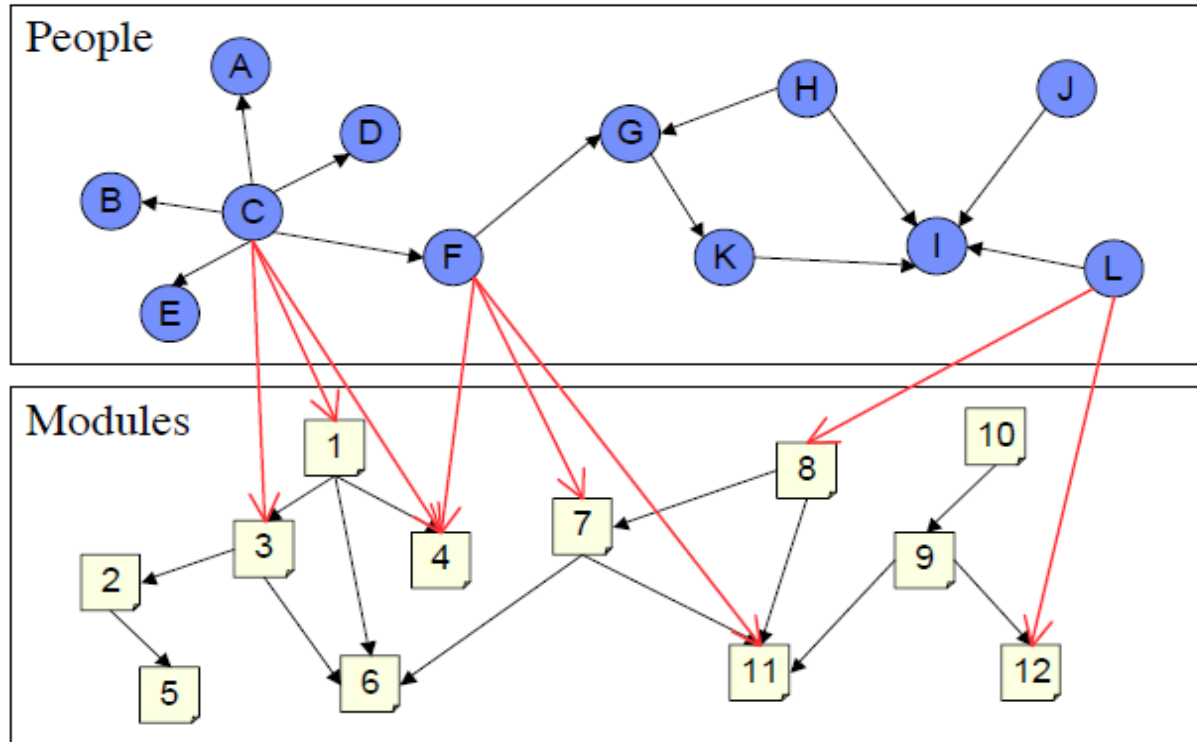


Socio-Technical Congruence



See: Valetto, et al., 2007.

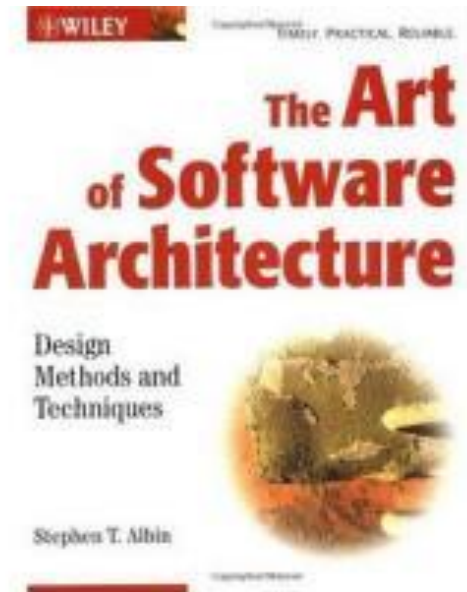
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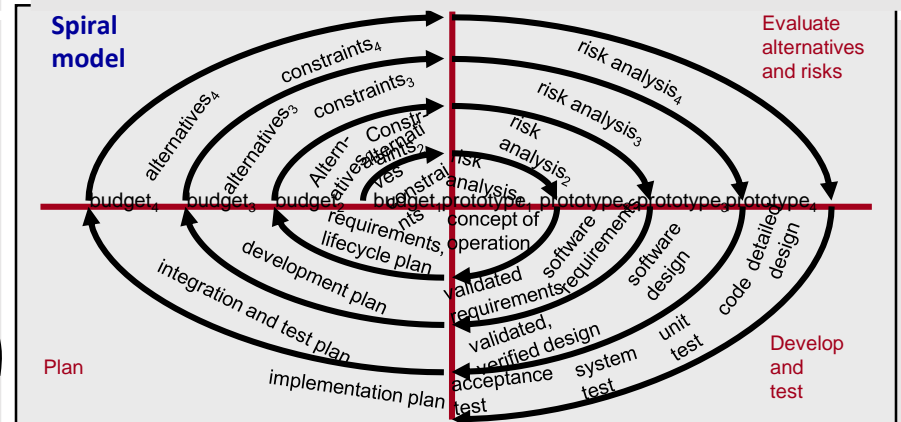
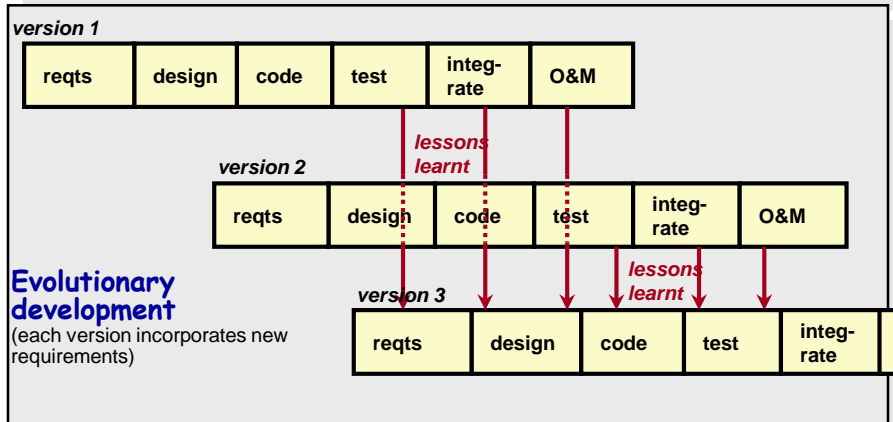
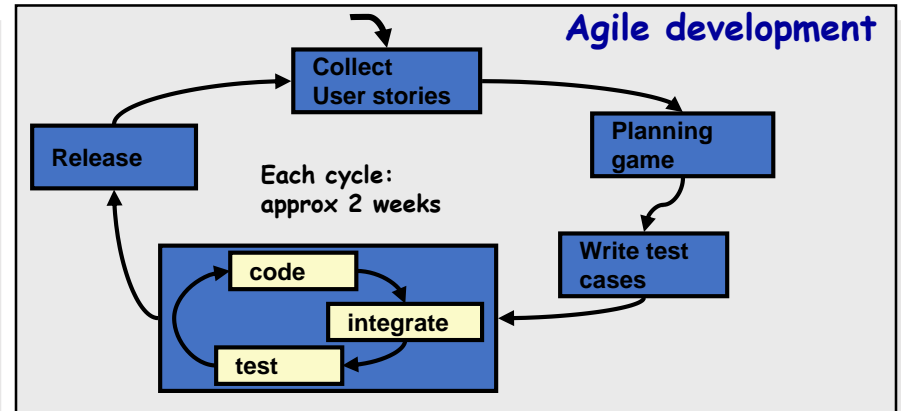
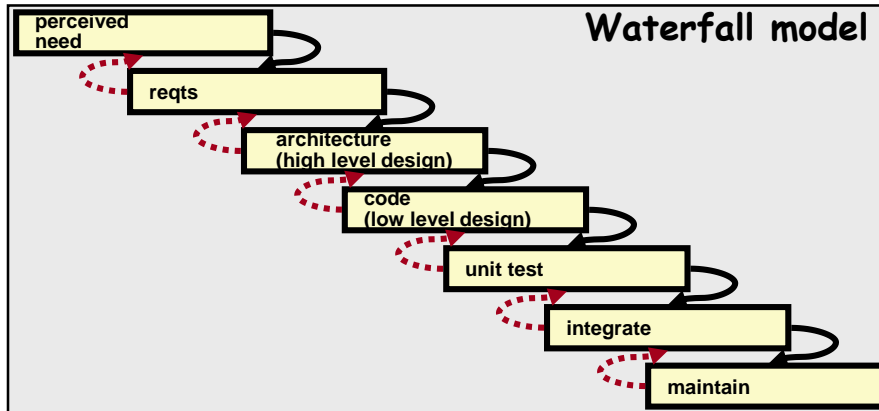
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Moving into Design

- Analysis vs. Design
 - Why the distinction?
- Design Processes
 - Logical vs. Physical Design
 - System vs. Detailed Design
- Architectures
 - System Architecture
 - Software Architecture
 - Architectural Patterns
- Useful Notation
 - UML Packages and Dependencies



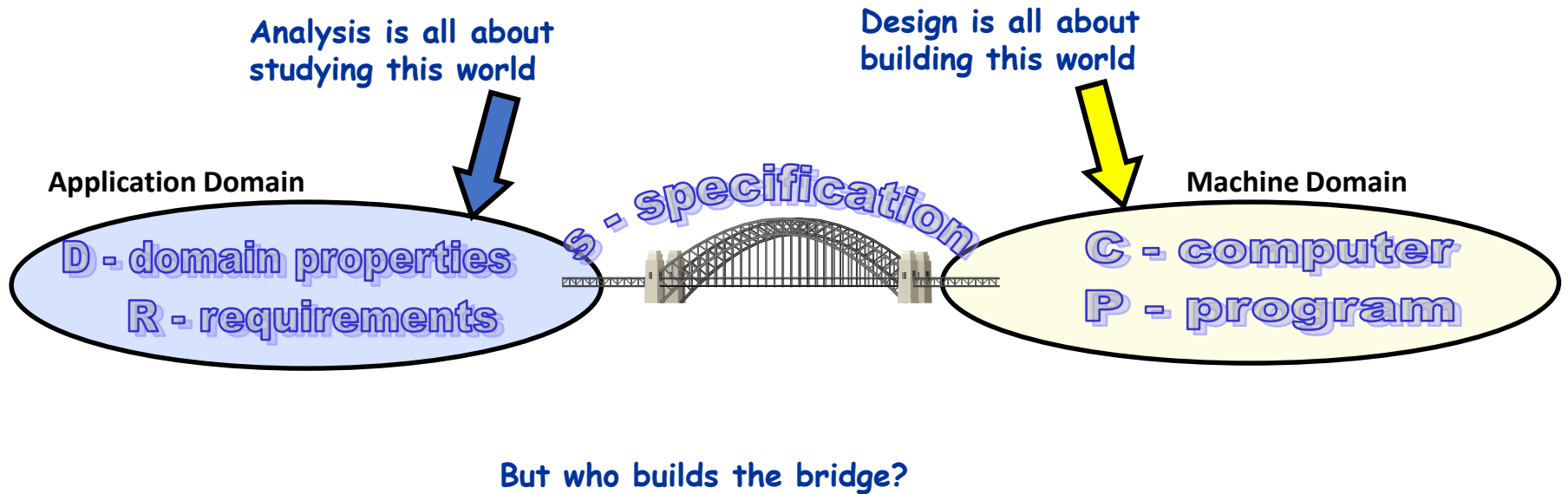
Refresher: Lifecycle models



Analysis vs. Design

- Analysis
 - Asks "what is the problem?"
 - what happens in the current system?
 - what is required in the new system?
 - Results in a detailed understanding of:
 - Requirements
 - Domain Properties
 - Focuses on the way human activities are conducted
- Design
 - Investigates "how to build a solution"
 - How will the new system work?
 - How can we solve the problem that the analysis identified?
 - Results in a solution to the problem
 - A working system that satisfies the requirements
 - Hardware + Software + Peopleware
 - Focuses on building technical solutions
- Separate activities, but not necessarily sequential
 - ...and attempting a design usually improves understanding of the problem

Refresher: different worlds



Four design philosophies

Decomposition & Synthesis

Drivers:

- Managing complexity
- Reuse

Example:

- Design a car by designing separately the chassis, engine, drivetrain, etc. Use existing *components* where possible



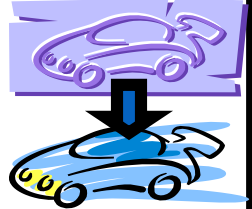
Search

Drivers

- Transformation
- Heuristic Evaluation

Example:

- Design a car by *transforming* an initial rough design to get closer and closer to what is desired



Negotiation

Drivers

- Stakeholder Conflicts
- Dialogue Process

Example:

- Design a car by getting *each stakeholder* to suggest (partial) designs, and then compare and discuss them



Situated Design

Drivers

- Errors in existing designs
- Evolutionary Change

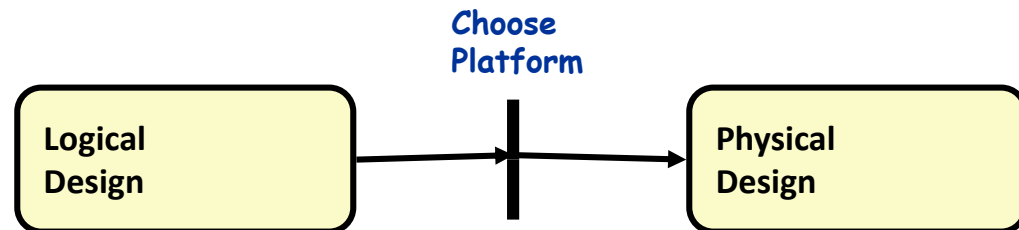
Example:

- Design a car by observing what's wrong with existing cars *as they are used*, and identifying improvements



Logical vs. Physical Design

- Logical Design concerns:
 - Anything that is platform-independent:
 - Interactions between objects
 - Layouts of user interfaces
 - Nature of commands/data passed between subsystems
 - Logical designs are usually portable to different platforms
- Physical Design concerns:
 - Anything that depends on the choice of platform:
 - Distribution of objects/services over networked nodes
 - Choice of programming language and development environment
 - Use of specialized device drivers
 - Choice of database and server technology
 - Services provided by middleware



System Design vs. Detailed Design

- System Design
 - Choose a System Architecture
 - Networking infrastructure
 - Major computing platforms
 - Roles of each node (e.g. client-server; clients-broker-servers; peer-to-peer,...)
 - Choose a Software Architecture
 - Identify the subsystems
 - Identify the components and connectors between them
 - Design for modularity to maximize testability and evolvability
 - E.g. Aim for low coupling and high cohesion
- Detailed Design
 - Decide on the formats for data storage
 - E.g. design a data management layer
 - Design the control functions for each component
 - E.g. design an application logic layer
 - Design the user interfaces
 - E.g. design a presentation layer

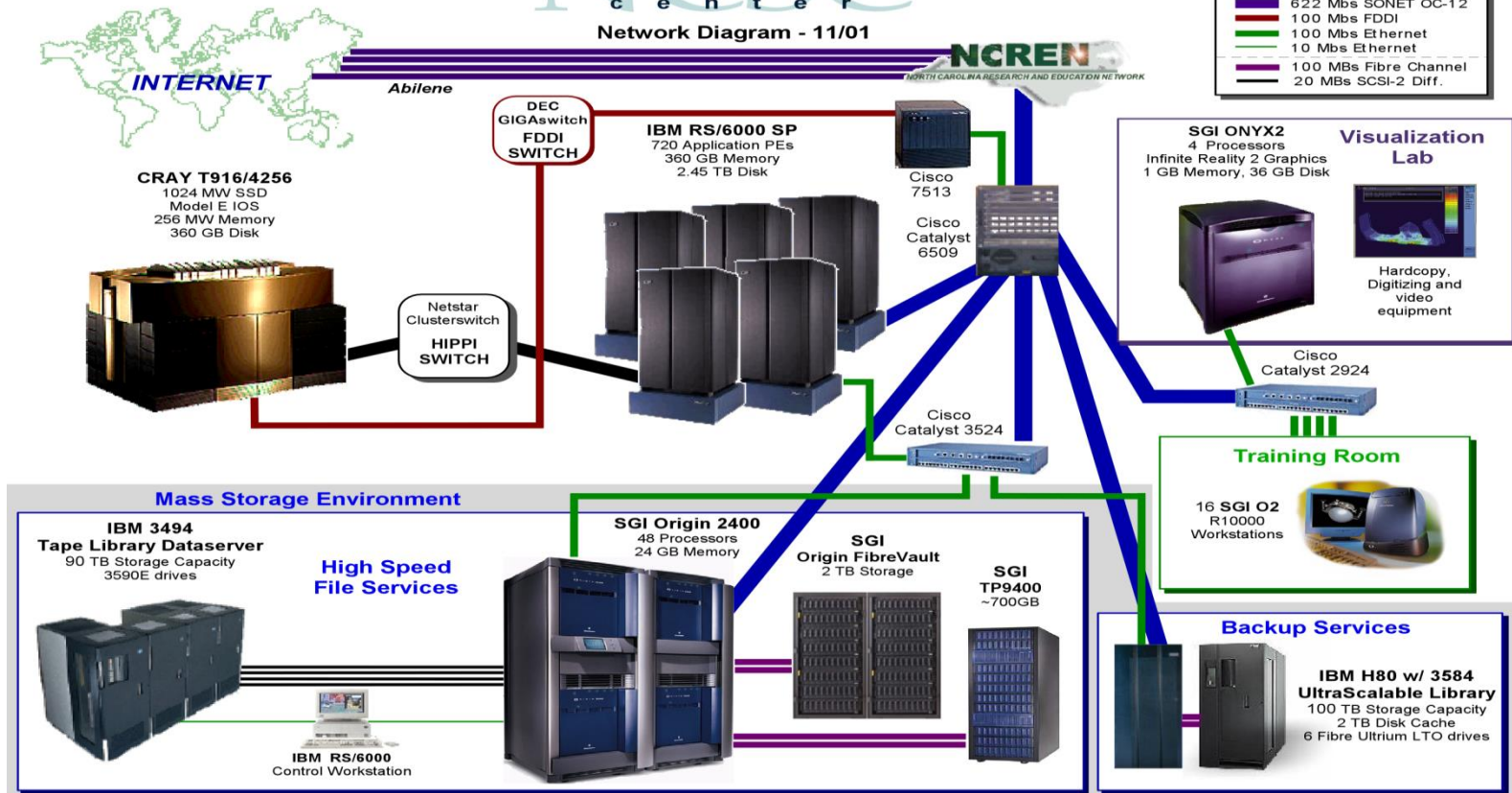
Global System Architecture

- Choices:
 - Allocates users and other external systems to each node
 - Identify appropriate network topology and technologies
 - Identify appropriate computing platform for each node
- Example:
 - See next slide...

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Network Diagram - 11/01

Legend	
	1 Gbs Ethernet
	800 Mbs HIPPI
	622 Mbs SONET OC-12
	100 Mbs FDDI
	100 Mbs Ethernet
	10 Mbs Ethernet
	100 Mbs Fibre Channel
	20 Mbs SCSI-2 Diff.



System Architecture Questions

- Key questions for choosing platforms:
 - What **hardware resources** are needed?
 - CPU, memory size, memory bandwidth, I/O, disk space, etc.
 - What **software/OS resources** are needed?
 - application availability, OS scalability
 - What **networking resources** are needed?
 - network bandwidth, latency, remote access.
 - What **human resources** are needed?
 - OS expertise, hardware expertise, sys admin needs,
 - user training/help desk requirements.
 - What other needs are there?
 - **security, reliability, disaster recovery, uptime requirements.**
- Key questions constraining the choice:
 - What funding is available?
 - What resources are already available?
 - Existing hardware, software, networking
 - Existing staff and their expertise
 - Existing relationships with vendors, resellers, etc.

Data Management Questions

- How is **data entry** performed?
 - E.g. Keyless Data entry
 - bar codes; Optical Character Recognition (OCR)
 - E.g. Import from other systems
 - Electronic Data Interchange (EDI), Data interchange languages,...
- What kinds of **data persistence** is needed?
 - Is the operating system's basic file management sufficient?
 - Is object persistence important?
 - Can we isolate persistence mechanisms from the applications?
- Is a **Database Management System (DBMS)** needed?
 - Is data accessed at a fine level of detail
 - E.g. do users need a query language?
 - Is sophisticated indexing required?
 - Is there a need to move complex data across multiple platforms?
 - Will a data interchange language suffice?
 - Is there a need to access the data from multiple platforms?

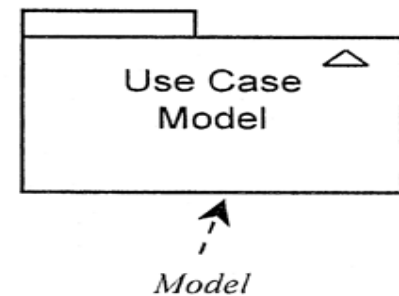
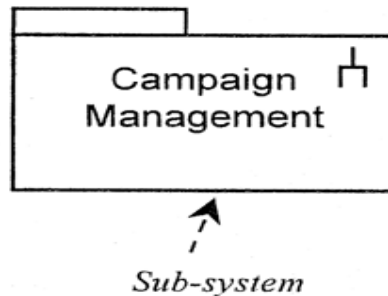
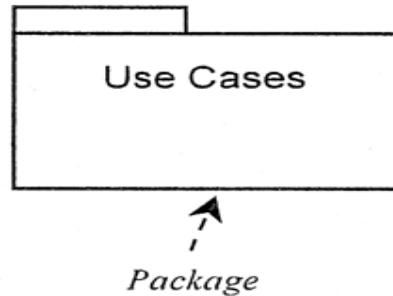
Software Architecture

- A software architecture defines:
 - the components of the software system
 - how the components use each other's functionality and data
 - How control is managed between the components
- An example: client-server
 - Servers provide some kind of service; clients request and use services
 - applications are located with clients
 - E.g. running on PCs and workstations;
 - data storage is treated as a server
 - E.g. using a DBMS such as DB2, Ingres, Sybase or Oracle
 - Consistency checking is located with the server
 - Advantages:
 - Breaks the system into manageable components
 - Makes the control and data persistence mechanisms clearer
 - Variants:
 - Thick clients have their own services, thin ones get everything from servers
 - Note: Are we talking about logical (s/w) or physical (h/w) architecture?

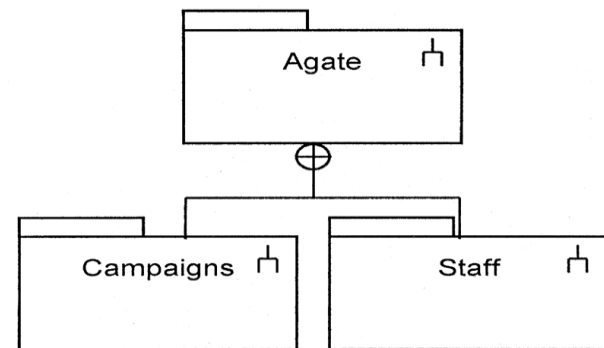
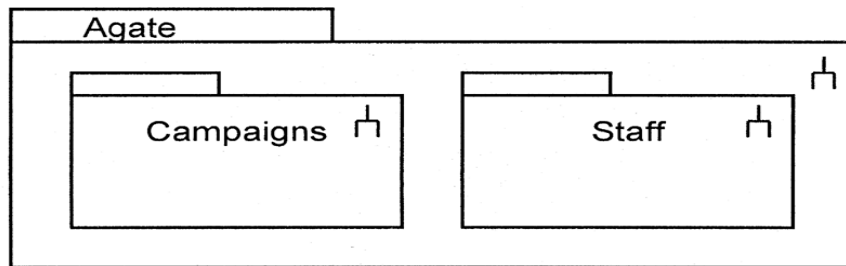
UML Packages

- We need to represent our architectures
 - UML elements can be grouped together in packages
 - Elements of a package may be:
 - other packages (representing subsystems or modules);
 - classes;
 - models (e.g. use case models, interaction diagrams, statechart diagrams, etc)
 - Each element of a UML model is owned by a single package
 - Packages need not correspond to elements of the analysis or the design
 - they are a convenient way of grouping other elements together
- Criteria for decomposing a system into packages:
 - Ownership
 - who is responsible for working on which diagrams
 - Application
 - each problem has its own obvious partitions;
 - Clusters of classes with strong cohesion
 - e.g., course, course description, instructor, student,...
 - Or use an architectural pattern to help find a suitable decomposition

Package notation



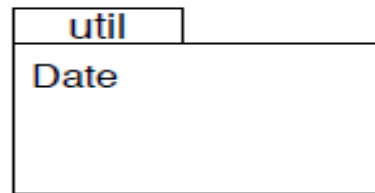
- 2 alternatives for showing package containment:



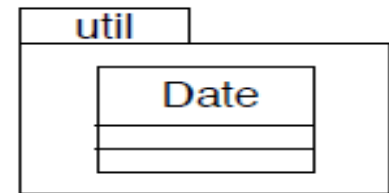
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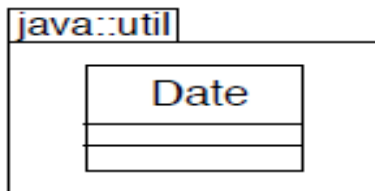
named package



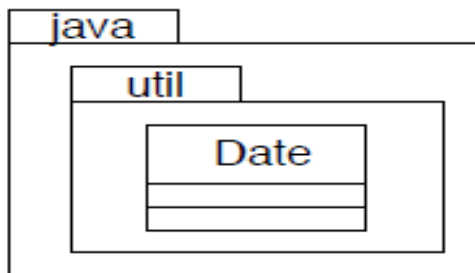
*package with list
of contained classes*



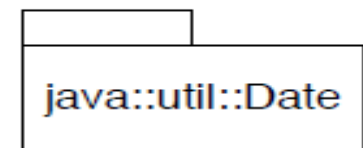
*package containing
a class diagram*



*package with
qualified name*



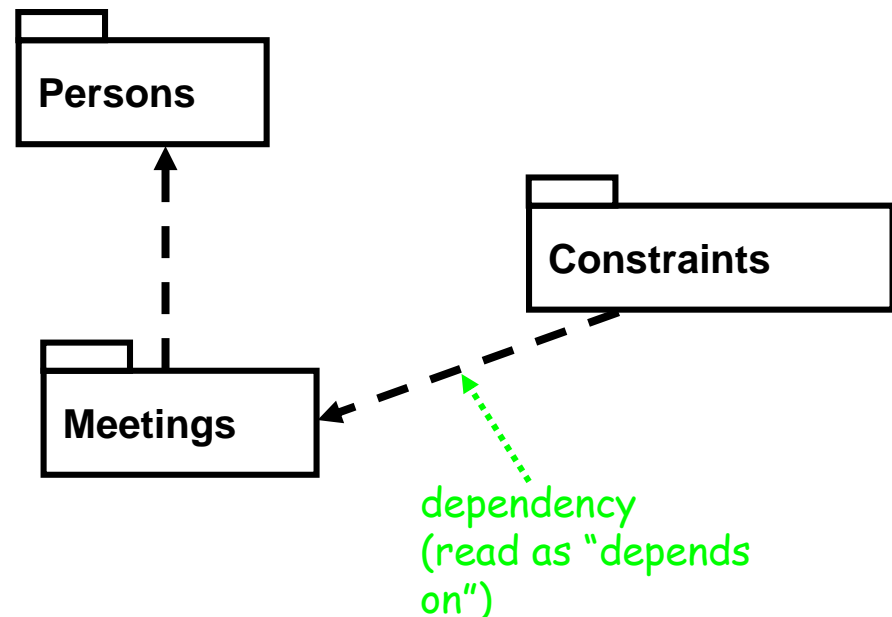
nested packages



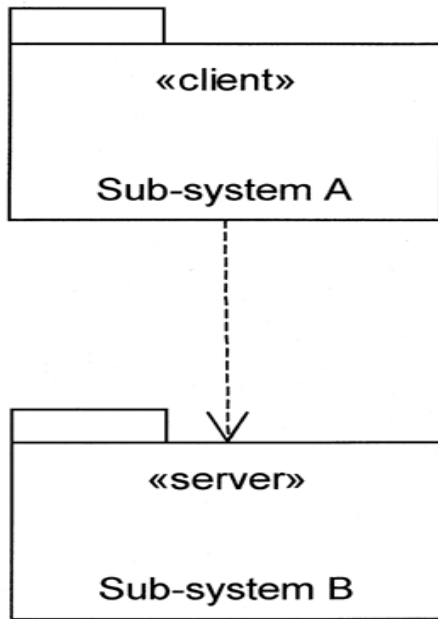
*package with
fully qualified name*

Package Diagrams

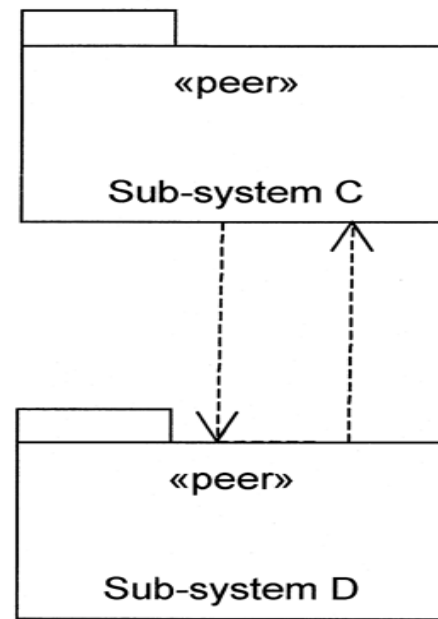
- Dependencies:
 - Similar to compilation dependencies
 - Captures a high-level view of coupling between packages:
 - If you change a class in one package, you may have to change something in packages that depend on it
- A good architecture minimizes dependencies
 - Fewer dependencies means lower coupling
 - Dependency cycles are especially undesirable



...Dependency Cycles



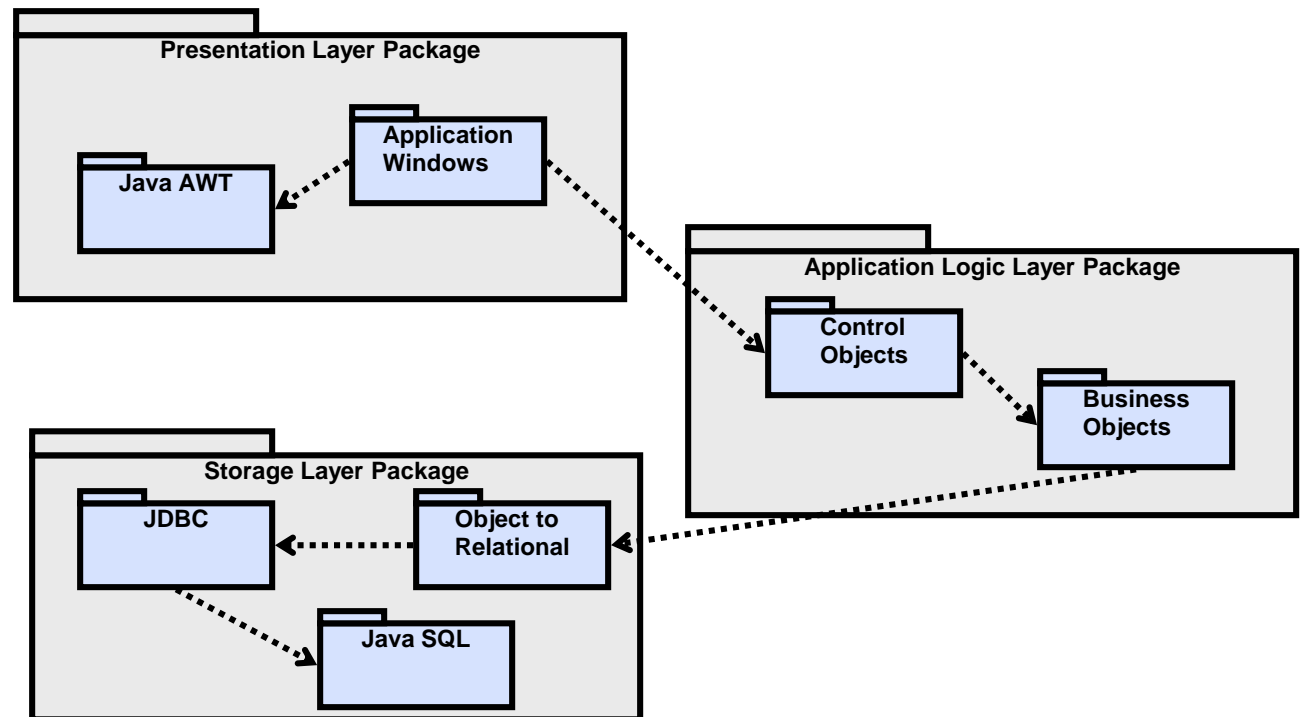
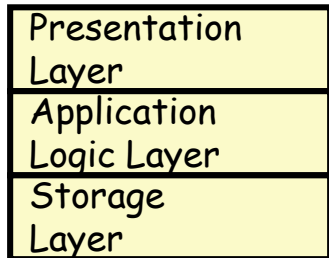
The server sub-system does not depend on the client sub-system and is not affected by changes to the client's interface.



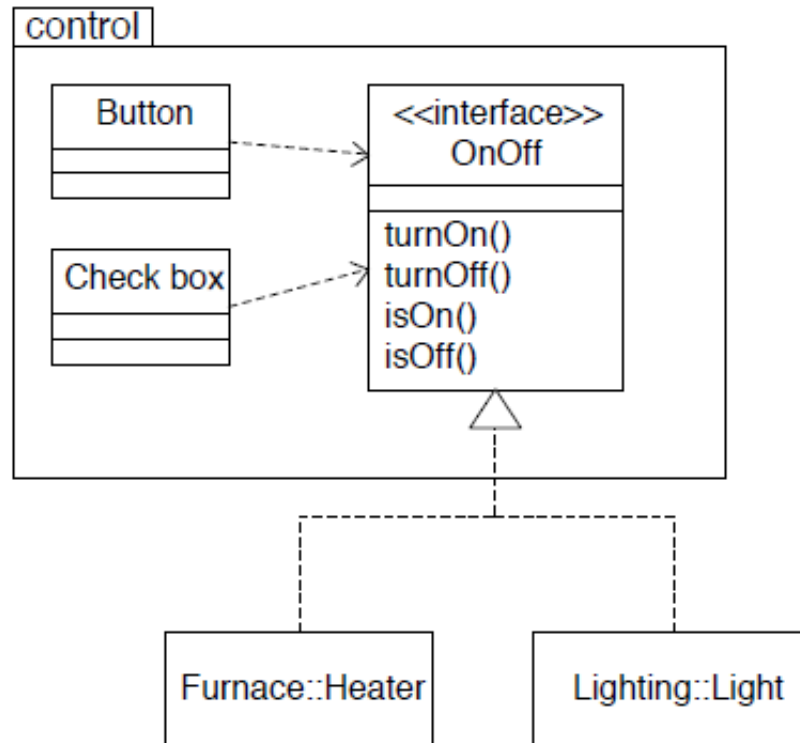
Each peer sub-system depends on the other and each is affected by changes in the other's interface.

Architectural Patterns

E.g. 3 layer architecture:



Towards component-based design



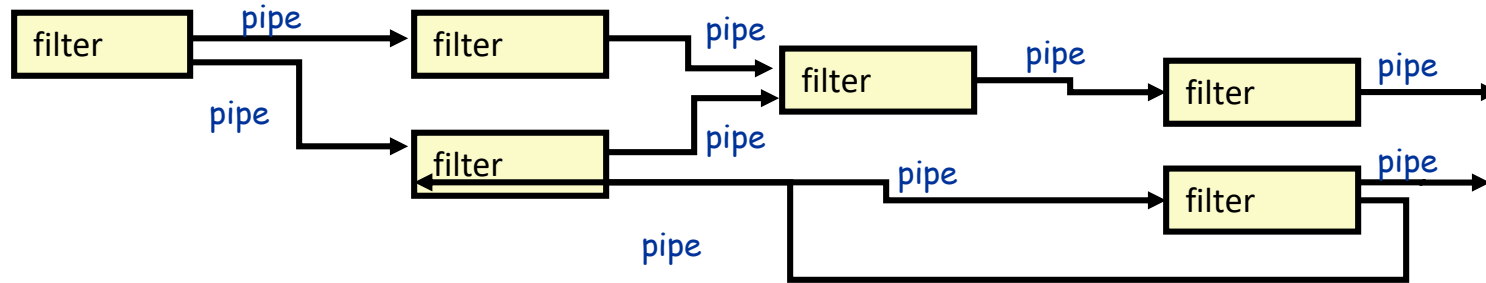
Software Architectures

- Architectural Styles
 - Pipe and filter
 - Object oriented:
 - Client-Server; Object Broker
 - Event based
 - Layered:
 - Designing Layered Architectures
 - Repositories:
 - Blackboard, MVC
 - Process control



Pipe-and-filter

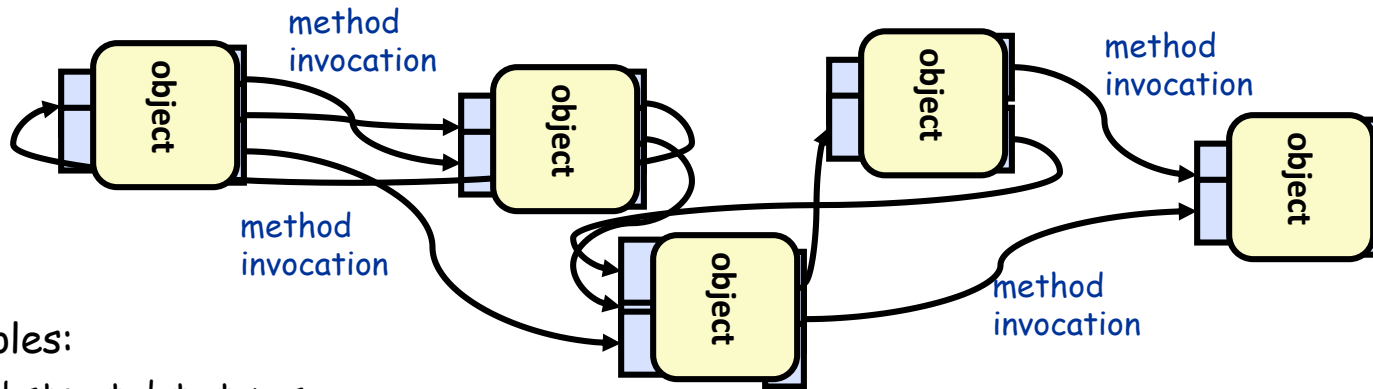
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- Examples:
 - UNIX shell commands
 - Compilers:
 - Lexical Analysis -> parsing -> semantic analysis -> code generation
 - Signal Processing
- Interesting properties:
 - filters don't need to know anything about what they are connected to
 - filters can be implemented in parallel
 - behaviour of the system is the composition of behaviour of the filters
 - specialized analysis such as throughput and deadlock analysis is possible

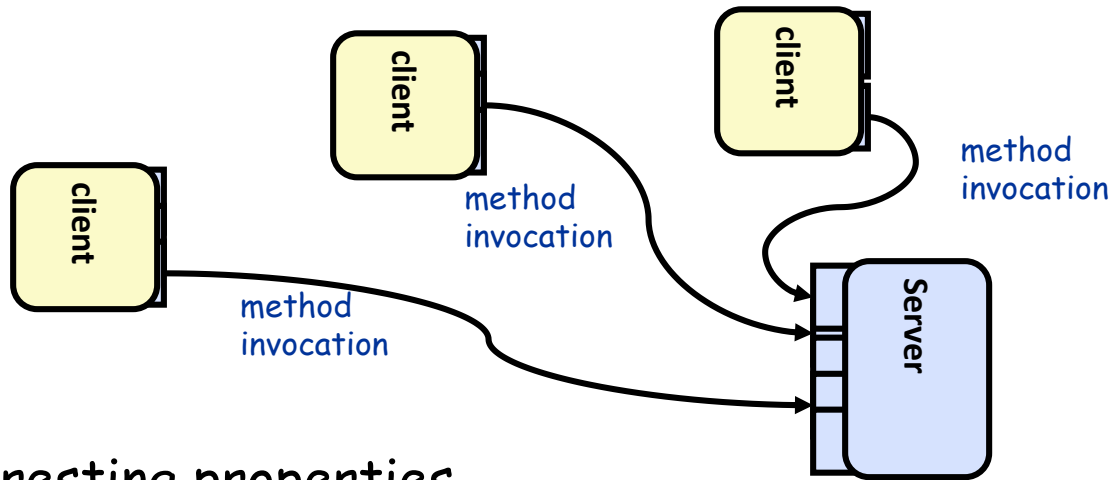
Object Oriented Architectures

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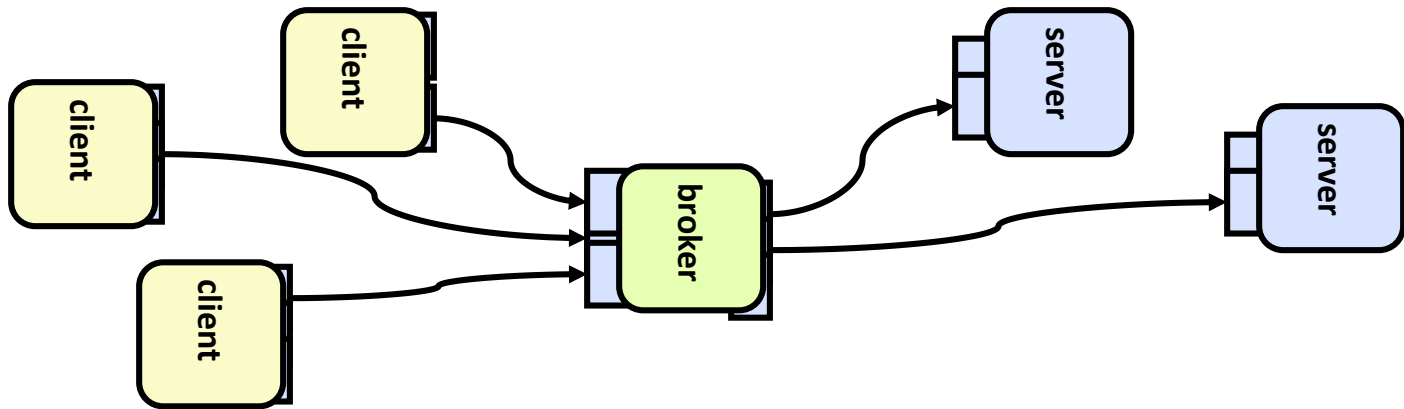
- Examples:
 - abstract data types
- Interesting properties
 - data hiding (internal data representations are not visible to clients)
 - can decompose problems into sets of interacting agents
 - can be multi-threaded or single thread
- Disadvantages
 - objects must know the identity of objects they wish to interact with

Variant 1: Client Server



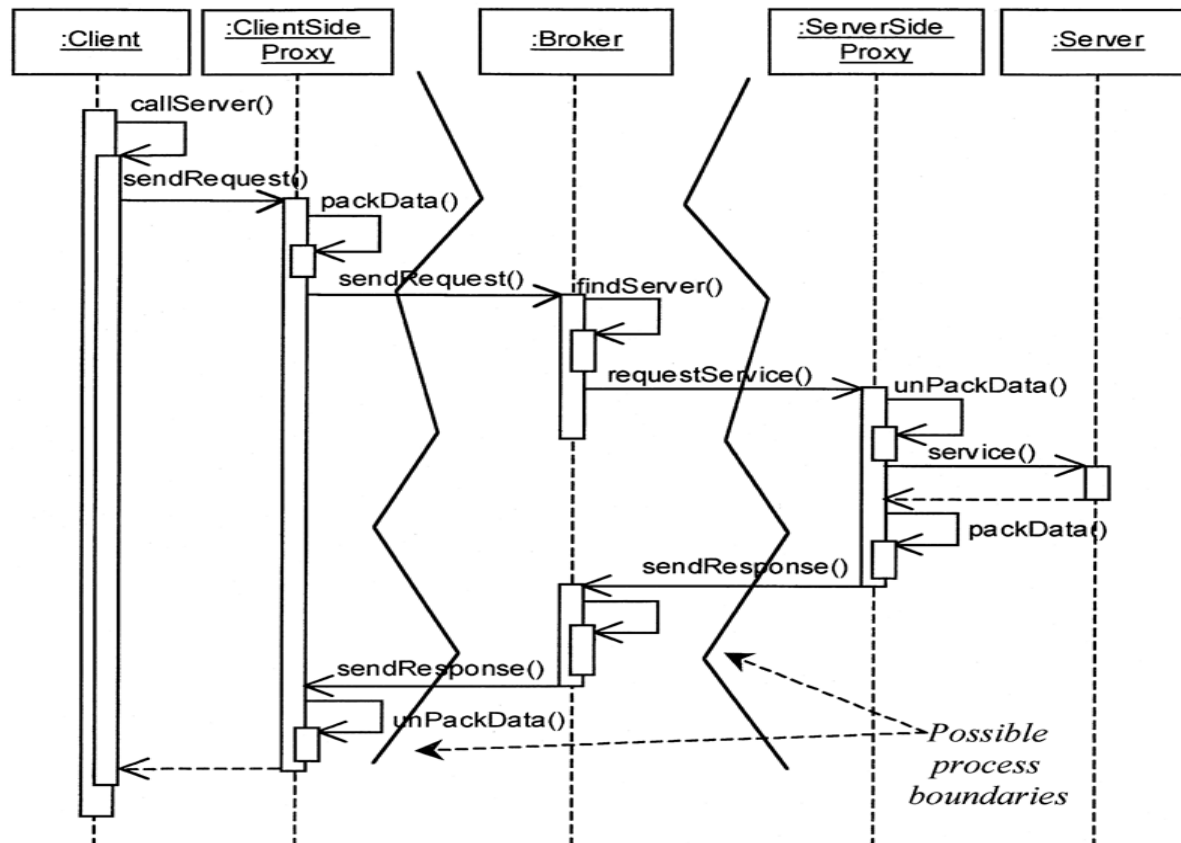
- Interesting properties
 - Is a special case of the previous pattern object oriented architecture
 - Clients do not need to know about one another
- Disadvantages
 - Client objects must know the identity of the server

Variant 2: Object Brokers



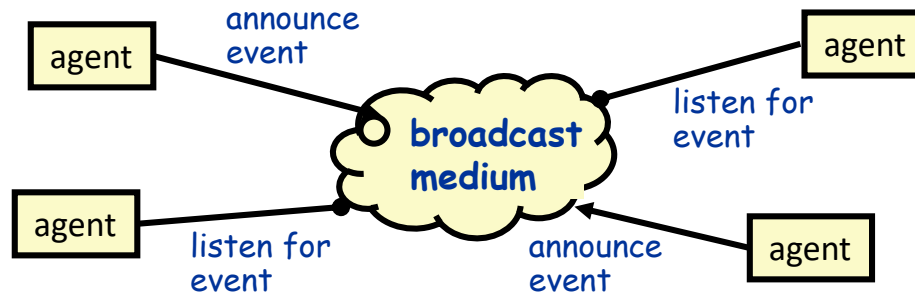
- Interesting properties
 - Adds a broker between the clients and servers
 - Clients no longer need to know which server they are using
 - Can have many brokers, many servers.
- Disadvantages
 - Broker can become a bottleneck
 - Degraded performance

Broker Architecture Example



Event based (implicit invocation)

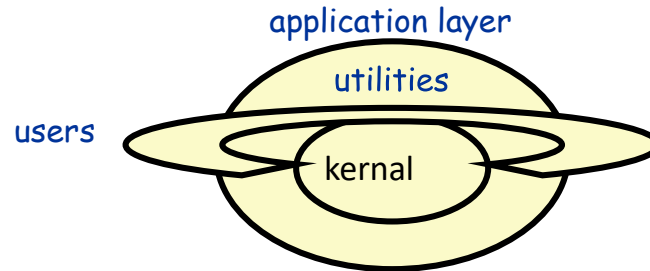
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- Examples
 - debugging systems (listen for particular breakpoints)
 - database management systems (for data integrity checking)
 - graphical user interfaces
- Interesting properties
 - announcers of events don't need to know who will handle the event
 - Supports re-use, and evolution of systems (add new agents easily)
- Disadvantages
 - Components have no control over ordering of computations

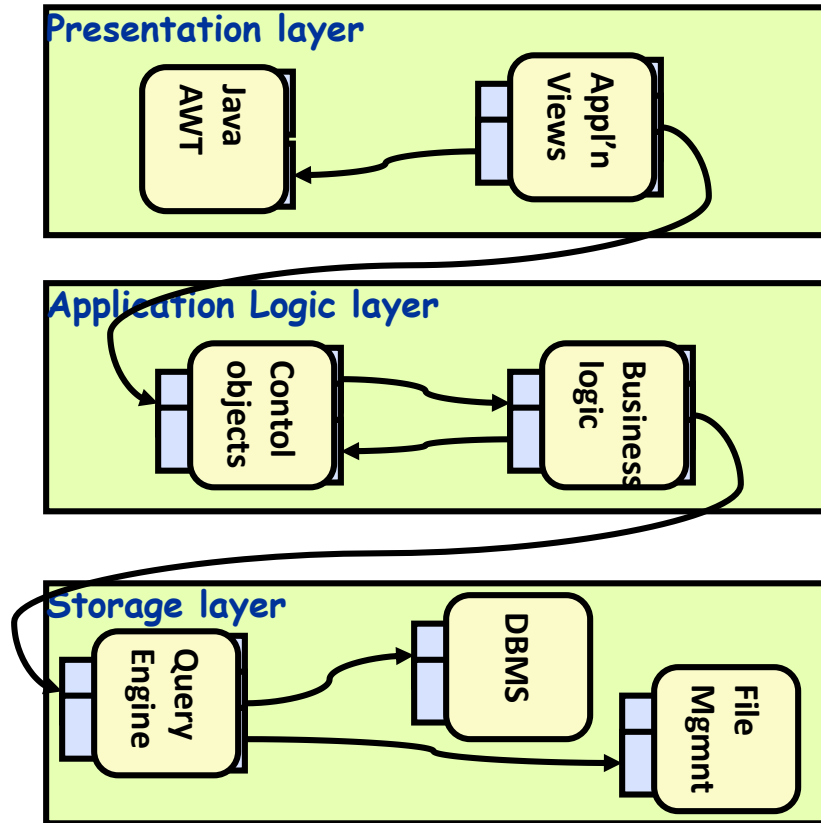
Layered Systems

Source: Adapted from Shaw & Garlan 1996, p25. See also van Vliet, 1999, p281.



- Examples
 - Operating Systems
 - communication protocols
- Interesting properties
 - Support increasing levels of abstraction during design
 - Support enhancement (add functionality) and re-use
 - can define standard layer interfaces
- Disadvantages
 - May not be able to identify (clean) layers

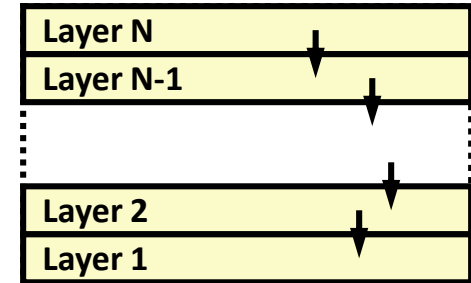
Variant: 3-layer data access



Open vs. Closed Layered Architecture

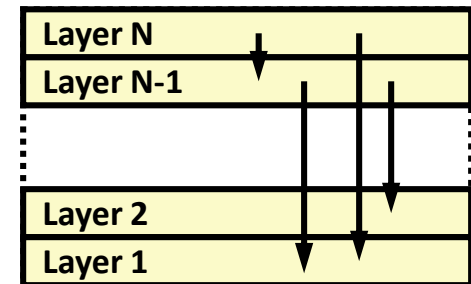
- closed architecture

- each layer only uses services of the layer immediately below;
- Minimizes dependencies between layers and reduces the impact of a change.



- open architecture

- a layer can use services from any lower layer.
- More compact code, as the services of lower layers can be accessed directly
- Breaks the encapsulation of layers, so increase dependencies between layers



How many layers?

- 2-layers:

- application layer
- database layer
- e.g. simple client-server model

Application (client)
Database (server)

- 3-layers:

- separate out the business logic
- helps to make both user interface and database layers modifiable

Presentation layer (user interface)
Business Logic
Database

- 4-layers:

- Separates applications from the domain entities that they
 - boundary classes in presentation layer
 - control classes in application layer
 - entity classes in domain layer

Presentation layer (user interface)
Applications
Domain Entities
Database

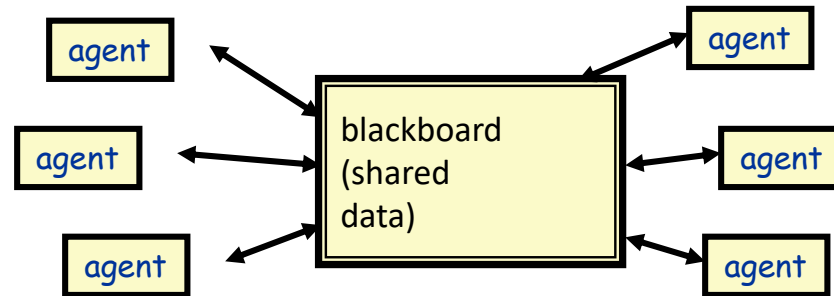
- Partitioned 4-layers

- identify separate applications

UI1	UI2	UI3	UI4
App1	App2	App3	App4
Domain Entities			
Database			

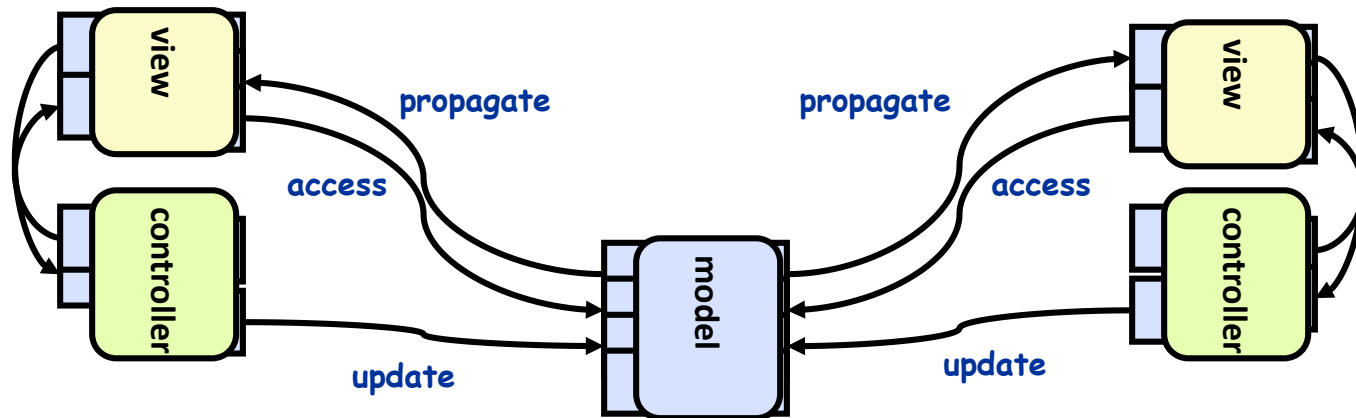
Repositories

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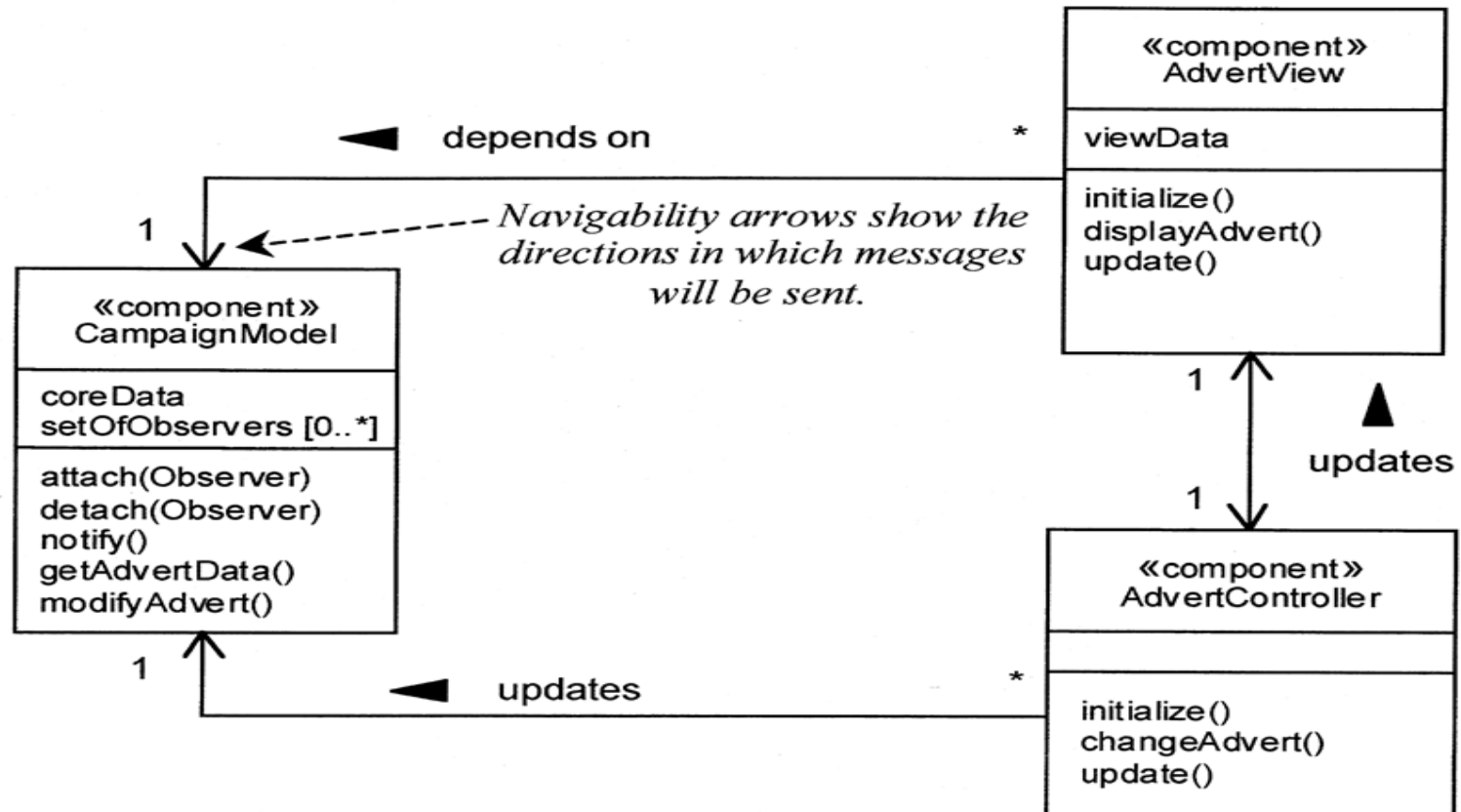
- Examples
 - databases
 - blackboard expert systems
 - programming environments
- Interesting properties
 - can choose where the locus of control is (agents, blackboard, both)
 - reduce the need to duplicate complex data
- Disadvantages
 - blackboard becomes a bottleneck

Variant: Model-View-Controller

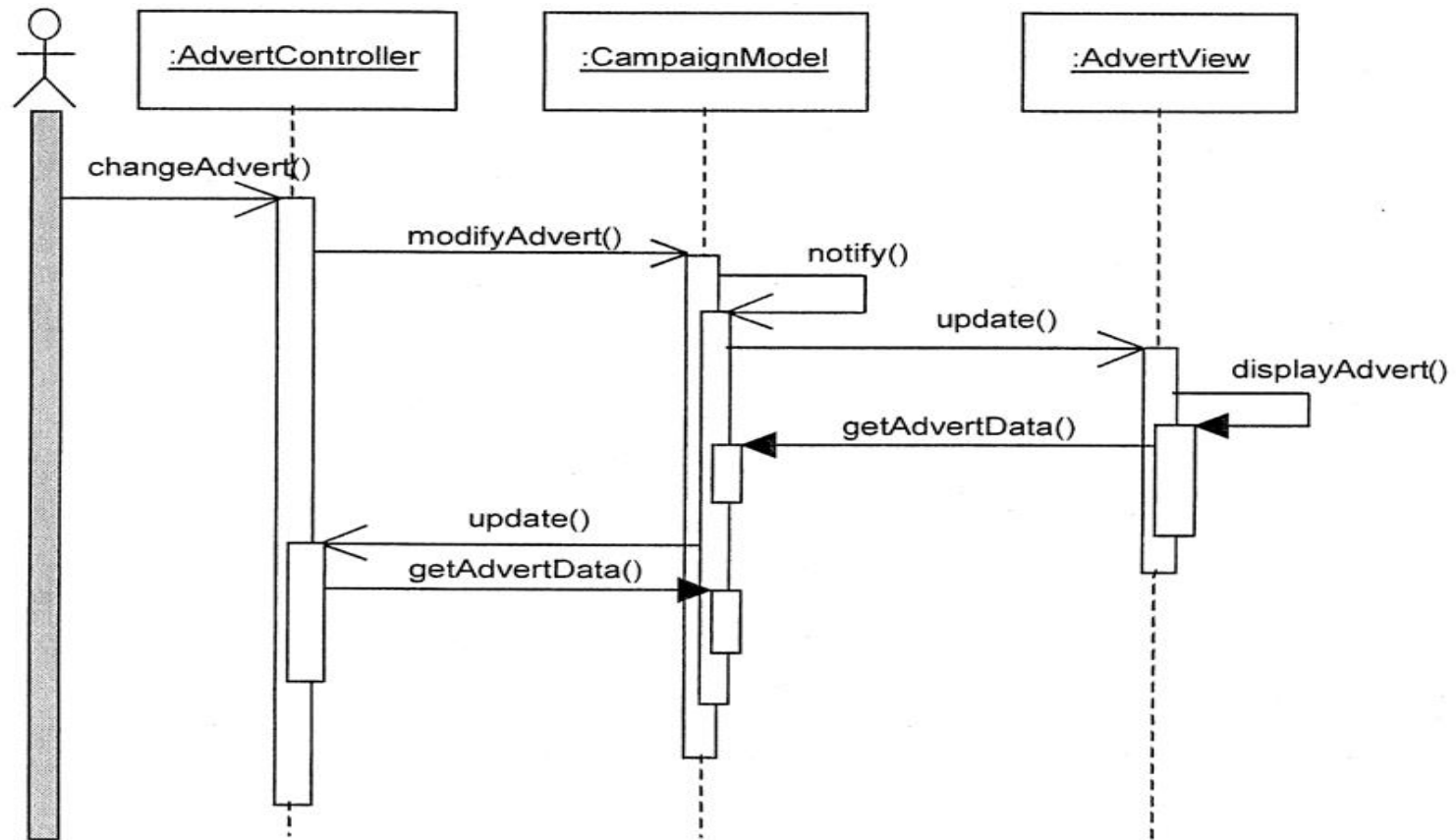


- Properties
 - One central model, many views (viewers)
 - Each view has an associated controller
 - The controller handles updates from the user of the view
 - Changes to the model are propagated to all the views

Model View Controller Example

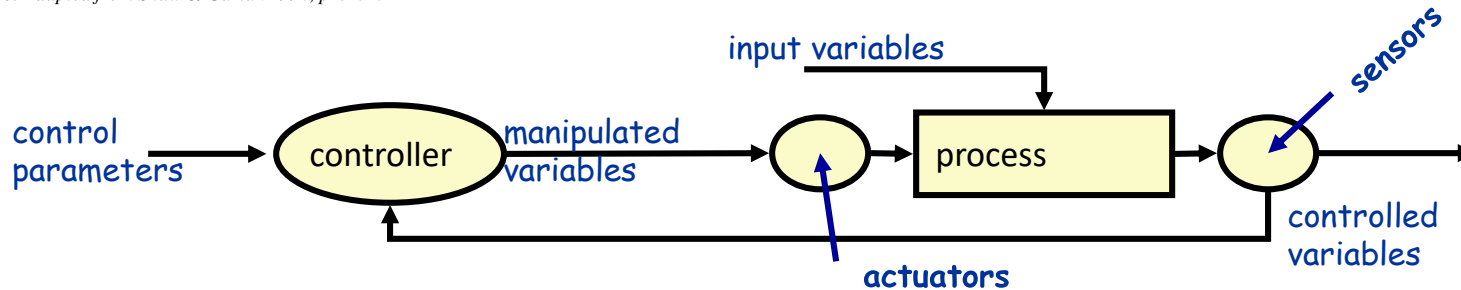


MVC Component Interaction



Process Control

Source: Adapted from Shaw & Garlan 1996, p27-31.



- **Examples**
 - aircraft/spacecraft flight control systems
 - controllers for industrial production lines, power stations, etc.
 - chemical engineering
- **Interesting properties**
 - separates control policy from the controlled process
 - handles real-time, reactive computations
- **Disadvantages**
 - Difficult to specify the timing characteristics and response to disturbances

Why evaluate an Architecture ?

- All design involves tradeoffs
- A software architecture is the earliest life-cycle artifact that embodies significant design decisions: choices and tradeoffs

The ATAM^(sm) is a service marked product of the Software Engineering Institute of Carnegie Mellon University

http://www.sei.cmu.edu/ata/ata_method.html

Purpose of the ATAM

(Architecture tradeoff analysis method)

- To assess the consequences of architectural decision tradeoffs in the light of quality attribute requirements
 - Discover Risks
 - Alternatives that might create problems in some future quality attribute
 - Discover Sensitivity Points
 - Alternatives for which a slight change makes a big difference in some quality attribute
 - Discover Tradeoffs
 - Decisions affecting more than one quality attribute
- The point of the ATAM analysis is not to provide precise analysis ---- rather discover risks created by architectural decisions

Purpose of the ATAM cont'd

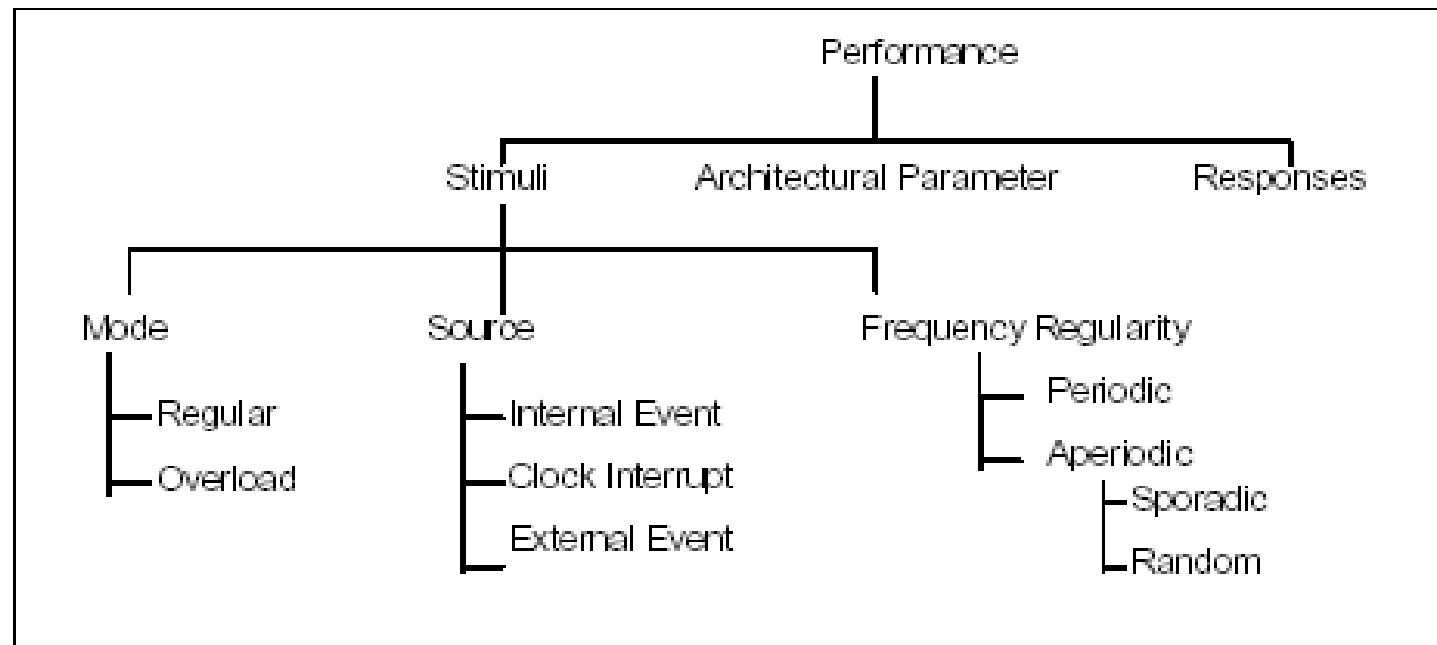
- Discover trends – the correlation between architectural decisions and predictions of system properties
- Discovered risks and then be made subjects of mitigation activities:
 - FURTHER DESIGN
 - FURTHER ANALYSIS
 - PROTOTYPING

Quality Attributes

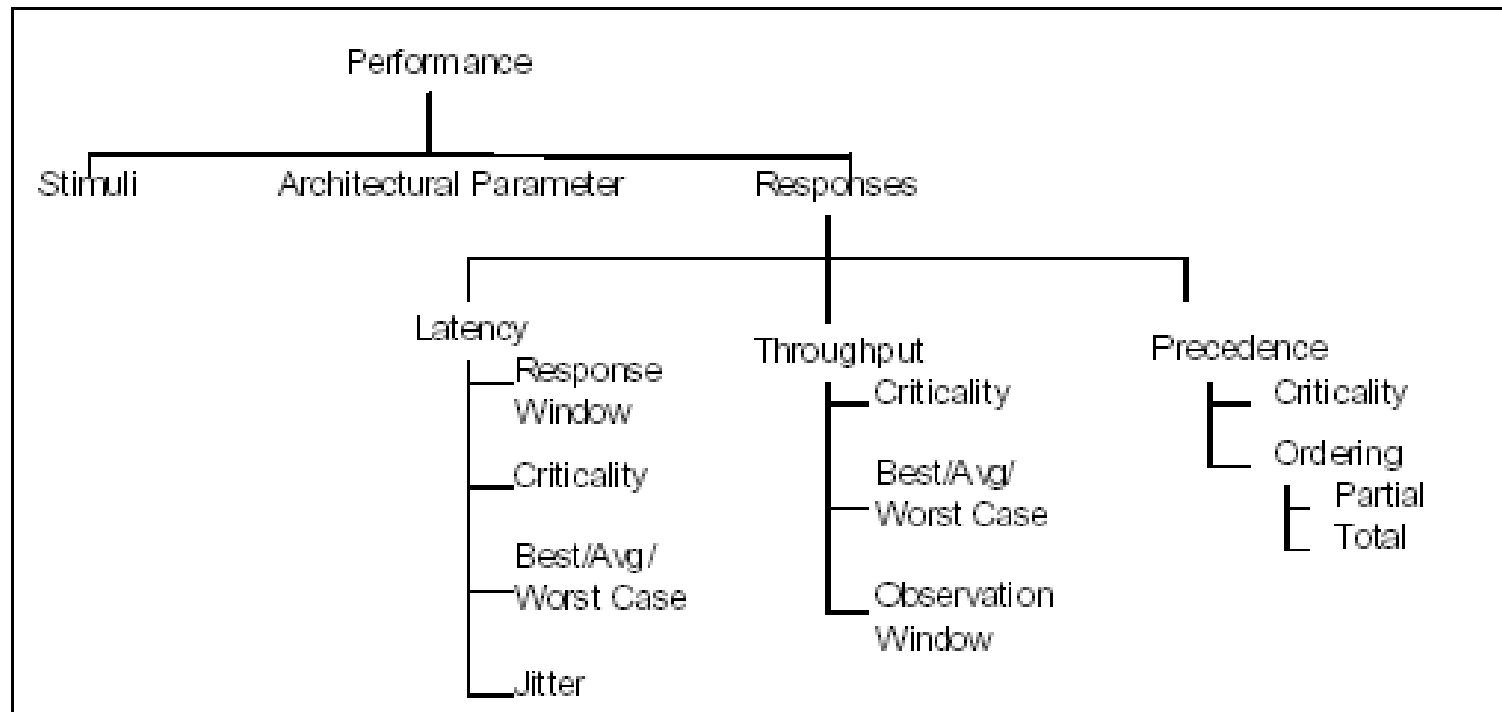
- The ATAM focuses on quality attribute requirements. Therefore, it is critical to have precise characterizations for each quality attribute.
- Quality attribute characterizations answer the following questions about each attribute:
 - What are the stimuli to which the architecture must respond?
 - What is the measurable or observable manifestation of the quality attribute by which its achievement is judged?
 - What are the key architectural decisions that impact achieving the attribute requirement?

Attribute Characteristics

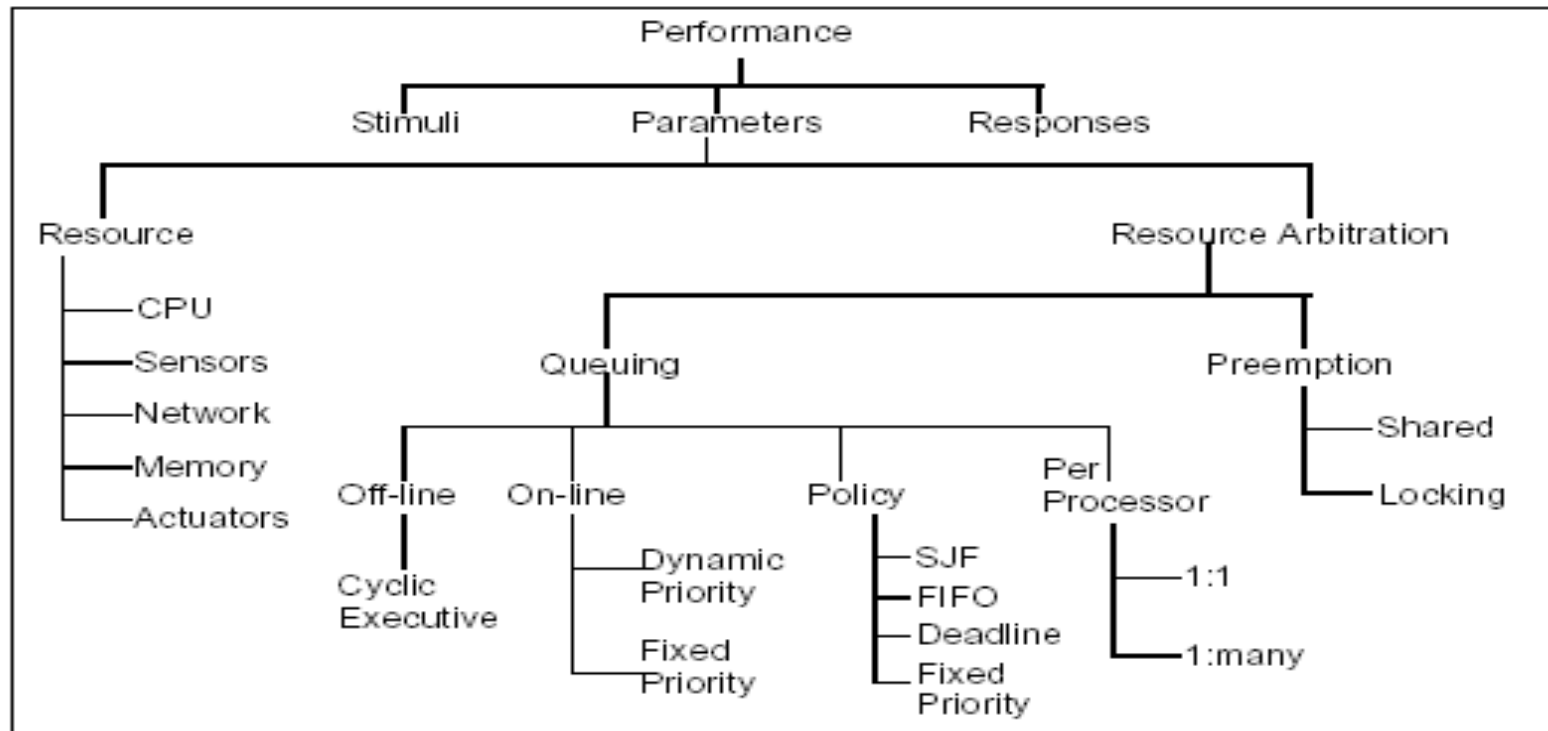
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Attribute Characteristics

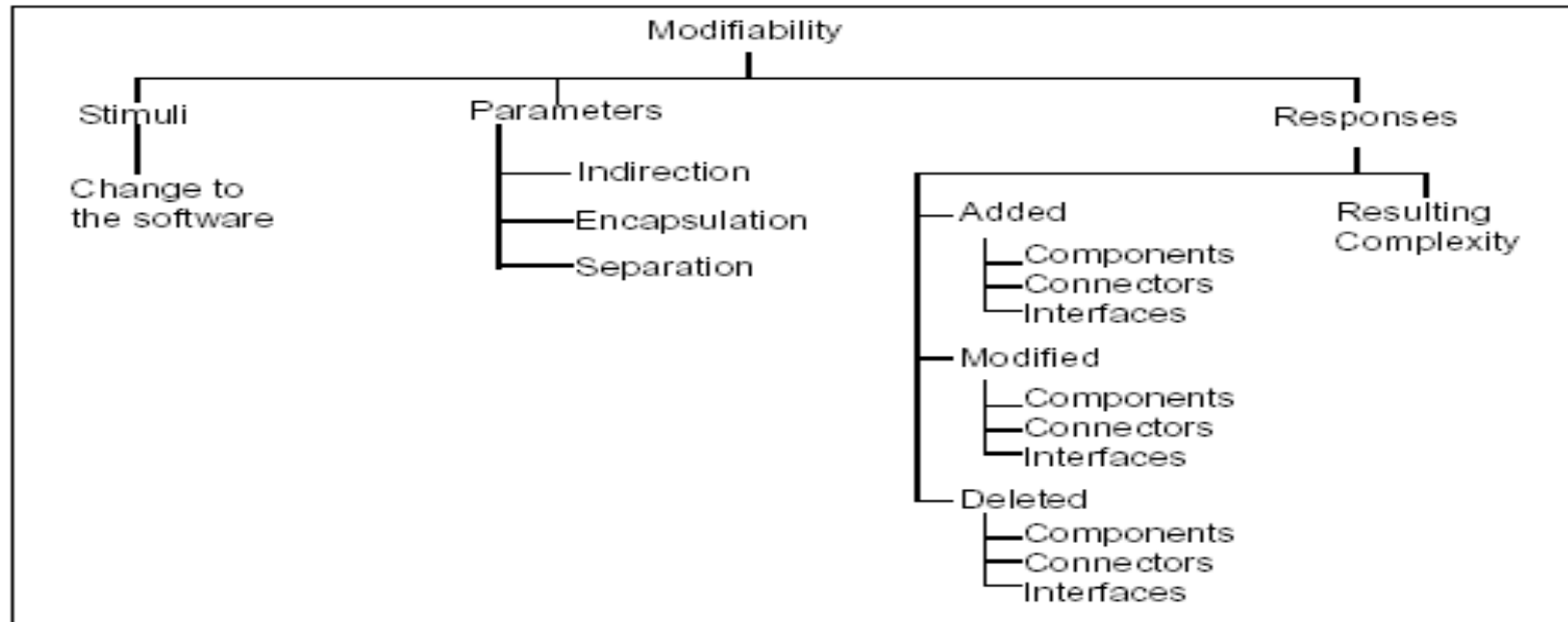


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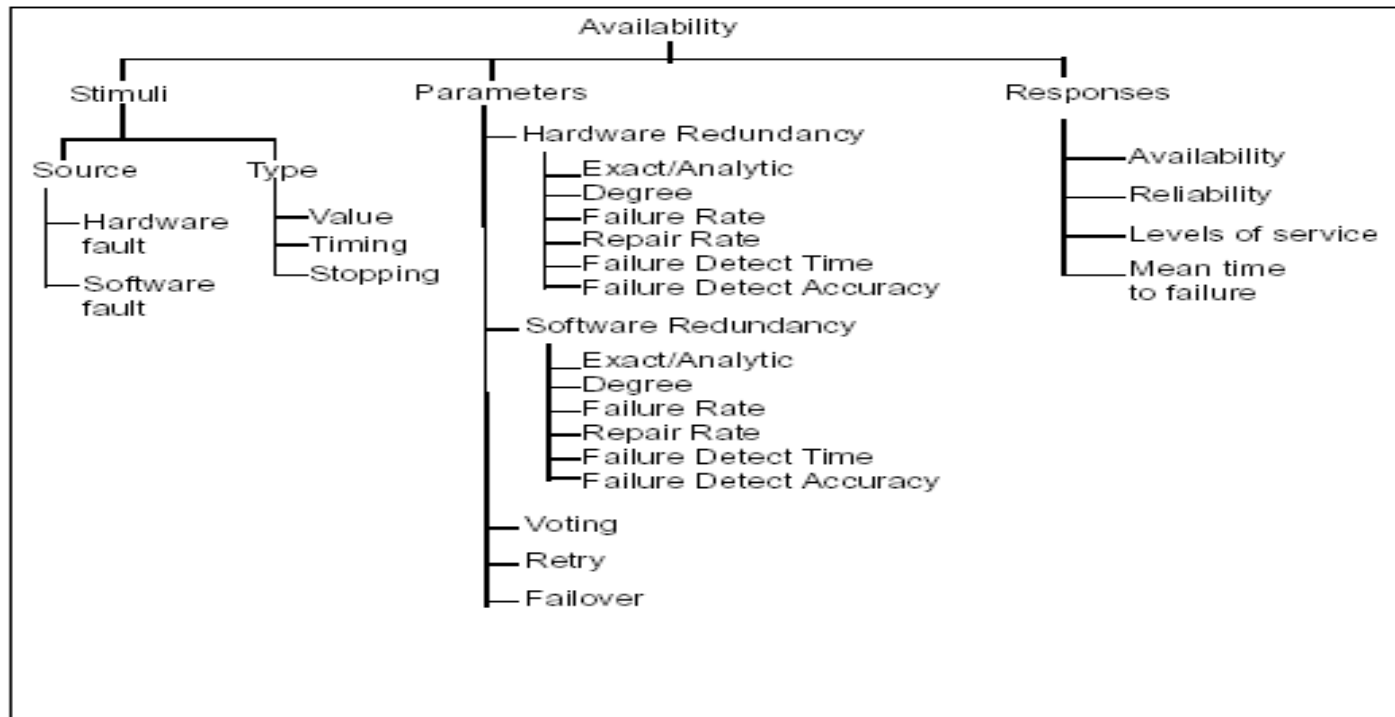
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A.2 Modifiability



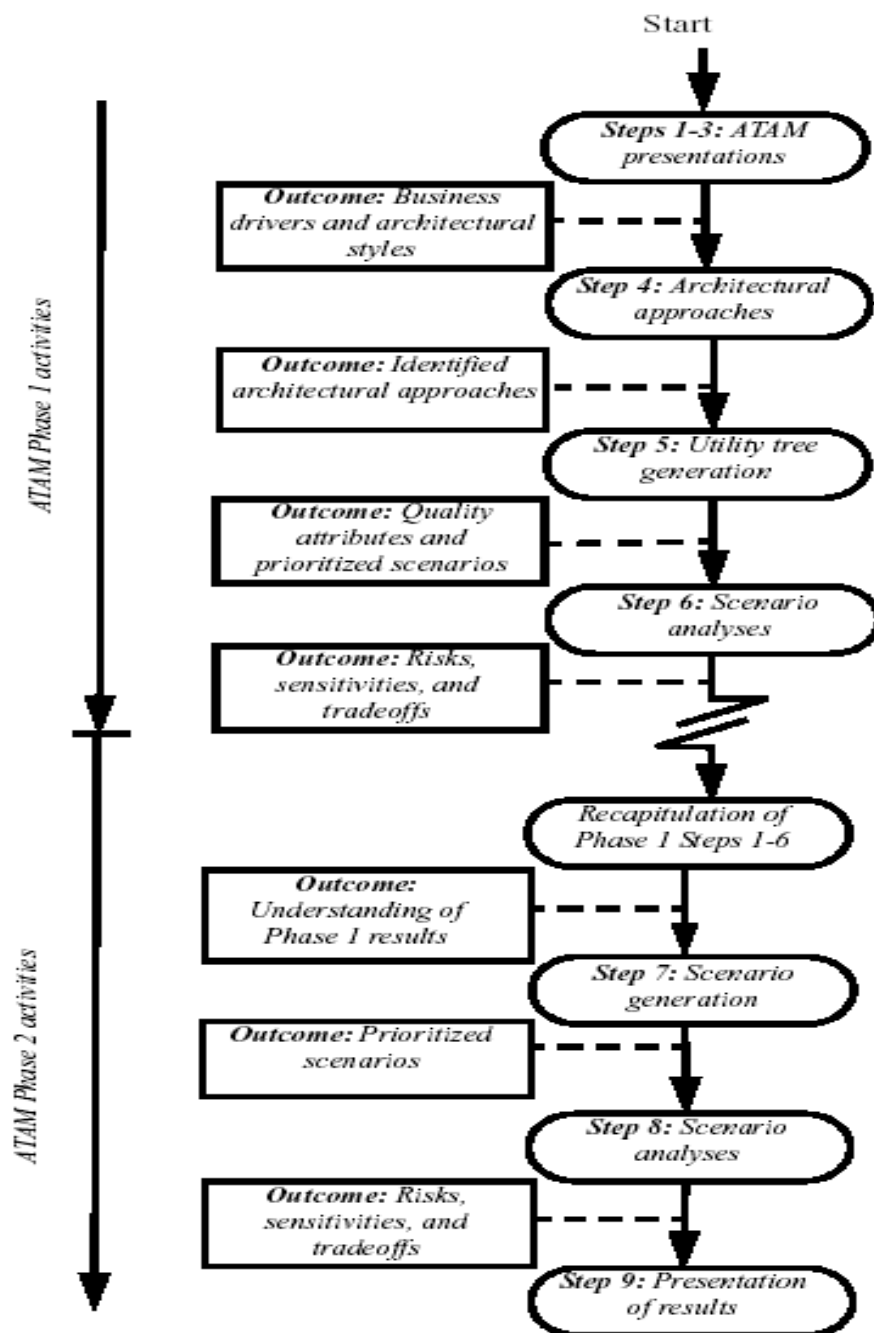
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A.3 Availability



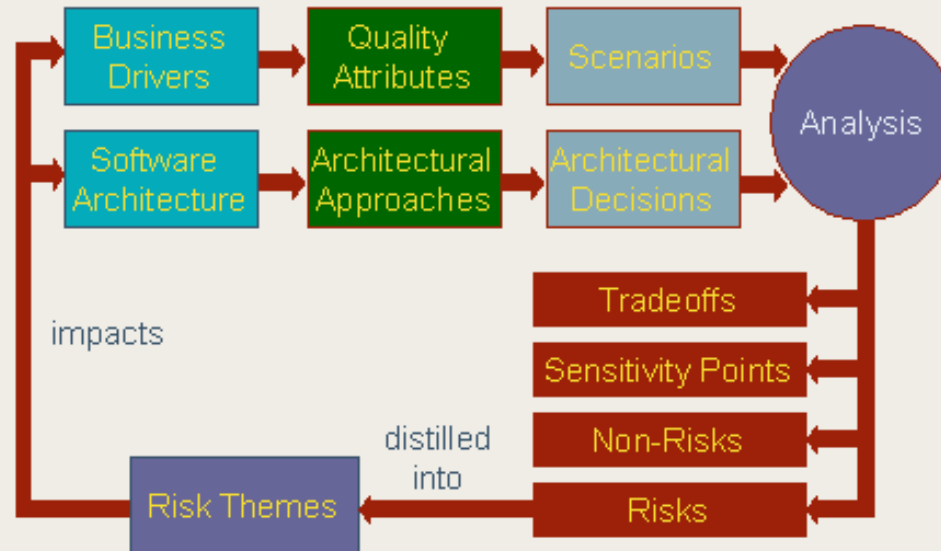
ATAM Steps

- **1. Present ATAM**
- **2. Present business drivers**
- **3. Present architecture**
- **4. Identify architectural styles**
- **5. Generate quality attribute utility tree**
- **6. Elicit and analyze architectural styles**
- **7. Generate seed scenarios**
- **8. Brainstorm and prioritize scenarios**
- **9. Map scenarios onto styles**
- **10. Present out-brief and/or write report**





Conceptual Flow of ATAMSM



Step 1. Present ATAM

- **Evaluation team presents an overview of ATAM including:**
 - ATAM steps in brief
 - techniques
 - utility tree generation
 - style-based elicitation/analysis
 - scenario brainstorming/mapping
 - outputs
 - scenarios
 - architectural styles
 - quality attribute questions
 - risks and “non-risks”
 - utility tree

Step 2 Present Business Drivers

- **ATAM customer representative describes the system's business drivers including:**
 - business context for the system
 - high-level functional requirements
 - high-level quality attribute requirements
 - architectural drivers: quality attributes that “shape” the architecture
 - critical requirements: quality attributes most central to system
 - Major stakeholders
 - Any relevant technical, political, economic or managerial constraints

Step 3 Present Architecture

- **Architect presents an overview of the architecture including:**
 - Driving architectural requirements and any existing standards/models approaches
 - High level architectural views
 - Functional – Key abstractions. Domain elements and or data flows
 - Decomposition
 - Concurrency, flows, events
 - Physical (deployment)
 - Architectural styles, mechanisms employed and how they address quality attributes
 - Use of COTS
 - Trace of most important scenarios
 - Trace of most important growth scenarios
 - Architectural issues
- **Evaluation team begins probing for:**
 - risks
 - architectural styles

Step 4 Identify Architectural Styles

- **High-level overview of architecture is completed by itemizing architectural styles found in the architecture.**
- **Examples:**
 - client-server
 - 3-tier
 - pipeline
 - publisher-subscriber

Step 5 Generate Quality Attribute Utility Tree

- **Identify, prioritize and refine the most important quality attribute goals by building a utility tree.**
 - a utility tree is an AHP (analytic hierarchy process)-like model of the “driving” attribute-specific requirements
 - typically performance, modifiability, security, and availability are the high-level nodes
 - scenarios are leaves of utility tree
- **Output: a prioritization of specific quality attribute requirements.**

Quality Attribute Goals

- In Step 5, the participants identify, prioritize, and refine the most important quality attribute goals by building a utility tree.
 - A *utility tree* is a top-down vehicle for characterizing the “driving” attribute-specific requirements. The most important quality goals are the high-level nodes
 - typically
 - performance,
 - modifiability,
 - security,
 - and availability.
 - Scenarios are the leaves of the utility tree,
 - Scenarios are used to represent stakeholders’ interests and should cover a range of anticipated
 - uses of the system (use case scenarios),
 - anticipated changes to the system (growth scenarios),
 - or unanticipated stresses to the system (exploratory scenarios).
- A good scenario clearly indicates
 - which stimulus causes it and what responses are important.
- During scenario prioritization, scenarios are categorized by two parameters,
 - importance and
 - difficulty,
 - using a scale of
 - Low (L)
 - Medium (M)
 - -High (H).

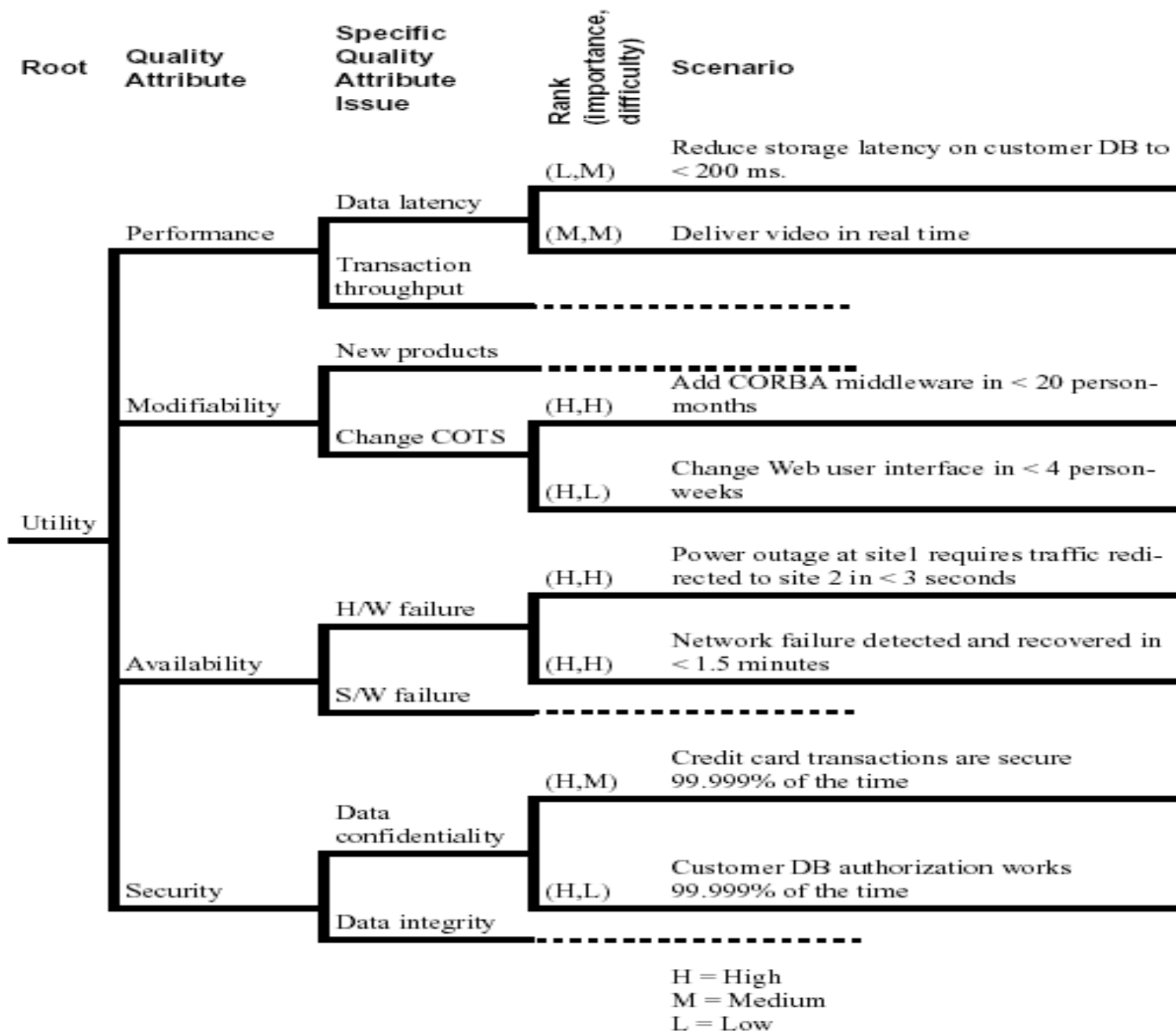
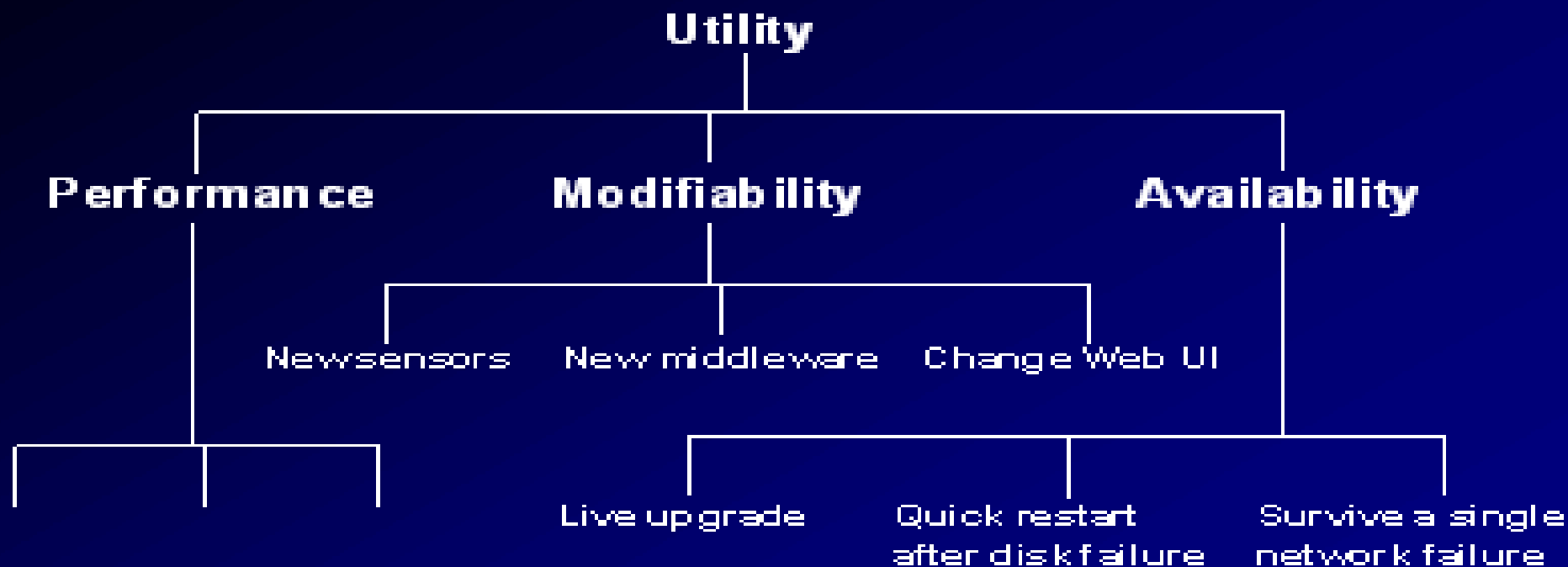


Figure 4: Example ATAM Utility Tree

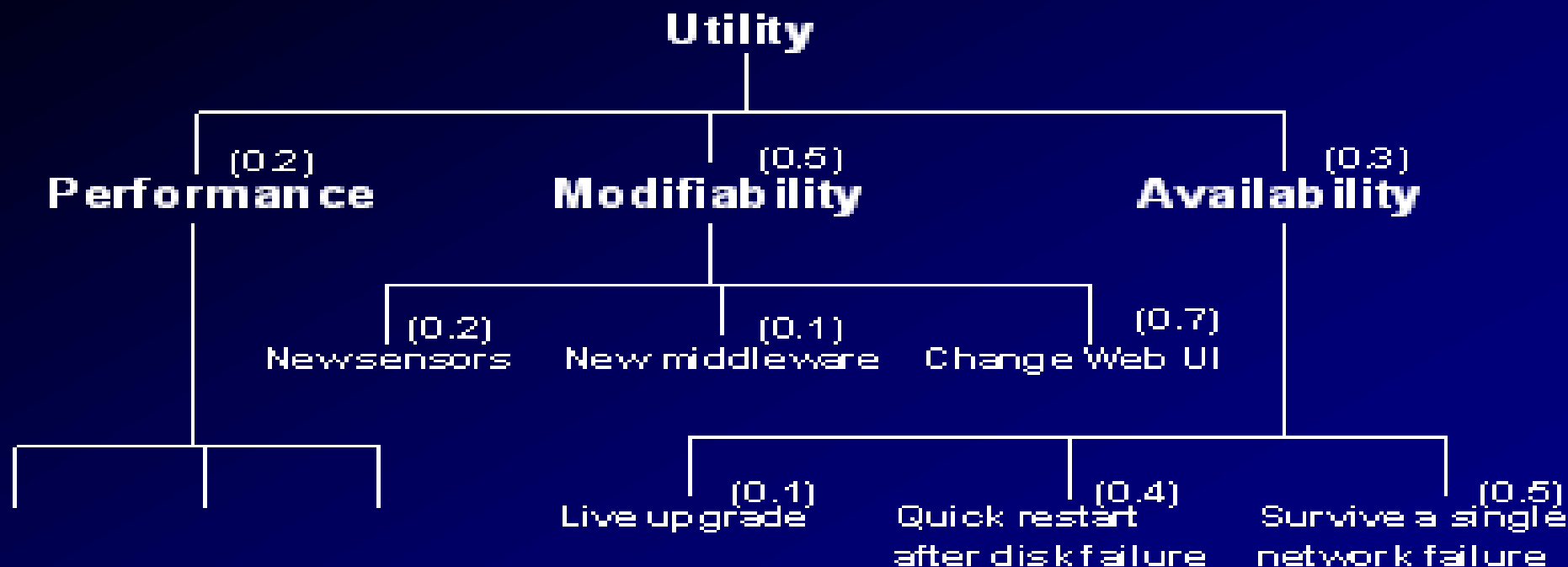


Utility Tree Construction -1





Utility Tree Construction -2



Step 6 Elicit and Analyze Architecture Styles

6. Evaluation team probes architectural styles from the point of view of specific quality attributes to identify risks.

- Identify the styles which pertain to the highest priority quality attribute requirements
- Generate quality-attribute specific questions for highest priority quality attribute requirement
- Ask quality-attribute specific questions
- Identify and record risks and non-risks

Categories

- Each quality attribute characterization is divided into three categories:
 - *external stimuli*,
 - *environment*,
 - and *responses*.
- **External stimuli** (or just *stimuli* for short) are the events that cause the architecture to respond or change.
 - What the stakeholder does to initiate interaction; invoke a function, request a change, etc.
- **Environment** what's going on at the time of the stimulus – what is the system state, heavily loaded? A processor down? – under “normal conditions” not described
- **Responses** – how the system responds to the stimulus; is the function successful? Does reconfiguration happen?

Example Scenarios

- **Use case**

- Remote user comes via the web to access report database.

- **Growth scenario**

- Add a new data server to reduce latency by 50%.

- **Exploratory scenario**

- Half of the servers go down during operation.

- **=> Scenarios should be as specific as possible.**

Quality Attribute Questions

- **Quality attribute questions probe styles to elicit architectural decisions which bear on quality attribute requirements.**
- **Performance**
 - How are priorities assigned to processes?
 - What are the message arrival rates?
- **Modifiability**
 - Are there any places where layers/facades are circumvented ?
 - What components rely on detailed knowledge of message formats?

Risks and Non-Risks

- **Risks are potentially problematic architectural decisions,**
- **Non-risks are good decisions relying on implicit assumptions.**
- **Risk and non-risk constituents**
 - architectural decision
 - quality attribute requirement
 - rationale
- **Sensitivity points – a property of one or more components that is critical for achieving a particular quality attribute**
 - **Example level of confidentiality sensitive to the number of bits of encryption**
- **Tradeoff points – a property that affects more than one attribute and is a sensitivity point for more than one attribute**
 - **Example changing level of encryption could have an effect on both security and performance**
- **Sensitivity points are candidate risks and risks are candidate tradeoff points.**

Step 7 Generate Seed Scenarios

- **Scenarios are used to**
 - Represent stakeholders' interests
 - Understand quality attribute requirements
- **Seed scenarios are sample scenarios**
- **Scenarios are specific,**
 - anticipated uses of (use cases),
 - anticipated changes to (growth scenarios), or
 - unanticipated stresses (exploratory) to **the system.**

Step 8 Brainstorm and Prioritize Scenarios

- **Stakeholders generate scenarios using a brainstorming process.**
- **Each stakeholder is allocated a number of votes roughly equal to 30% of the scenarios**
- **Prioritized scenarios are compared with the utility tree and differences are reconciled.**

Step 9 Map Scenarios onto Styles

Identify styles and components within styles impacted by each scenario.

- **Continue identifying risks and non-risks.**
- **Continue annotating architectural information.**

Step 10 Present Out-Brief/Write Report

- **Recapitulate steps of ATAM**
- **Present ATAM outputs**
 - styles
 - scenarios
 - questions
 - utility tree
 - risks
 - non-risks
- **Offer recommendations**

Summary

- **ATAM is a method for evaluating an architecture with respect to multiple quality attributes.**
- **It is an effective risk mitigation strategy to avoid the disastrous consequences of a poor architecture. ATAM:**
 - can be done early
 - requires stakeholder participation
- **The key to the method is looking for trends, not in making precise analyses.**
- **ATAM relies crucially on:**
 - Clearly-articulated quality attribute requirements
 - Active stakeholder participation
 - Active participation by the architect
 - Familiarity with architecture styles and quality attribute models

Summary of Benefits

- Gets all stakeholders in same room again
- Forces articulation of specific quality goals (NFR's)
- Sets early design goals
- Results in prioritization of conflicting goals
- Improves the quality of the architecture documentation
- Uncovers opportunities for cross project reuse
- More explicit presentation of the architecture

Examples

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