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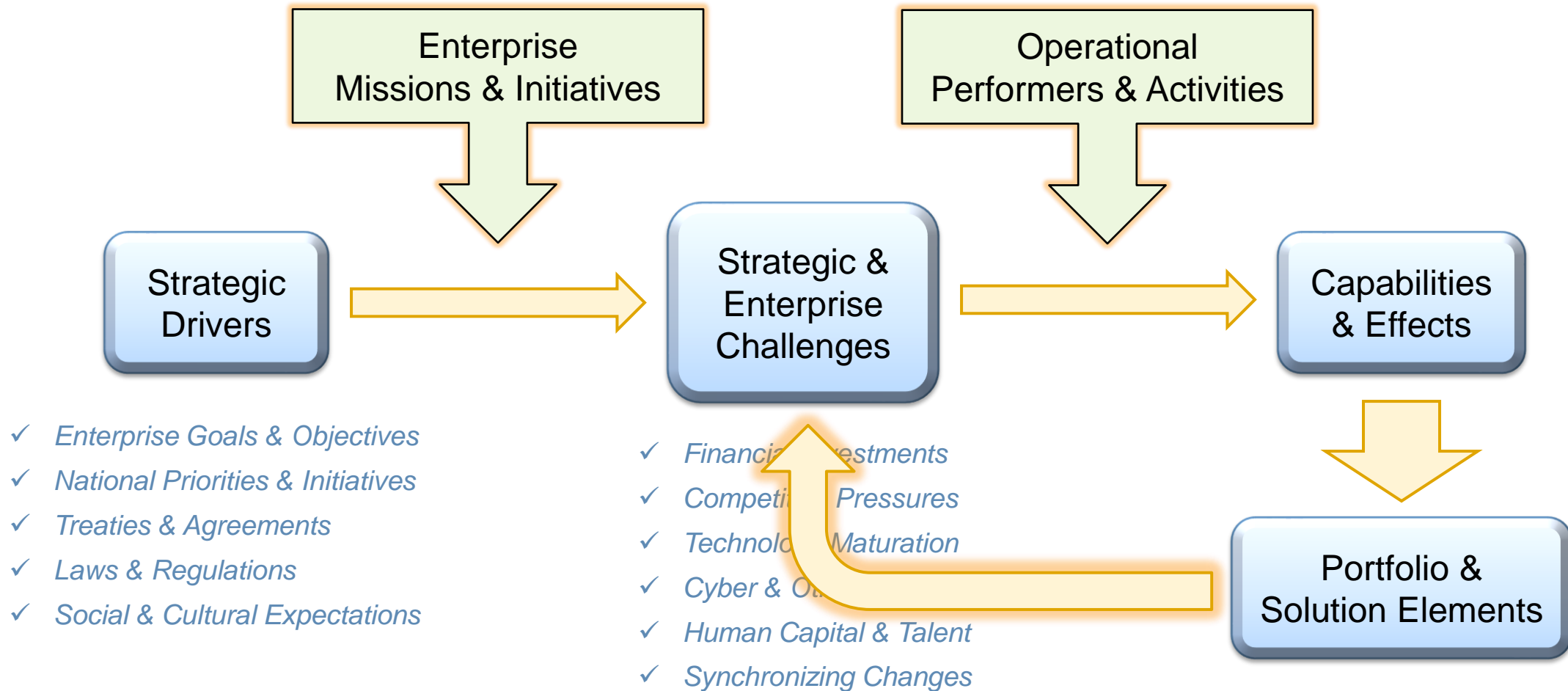
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Enterprise Transformation Considerations

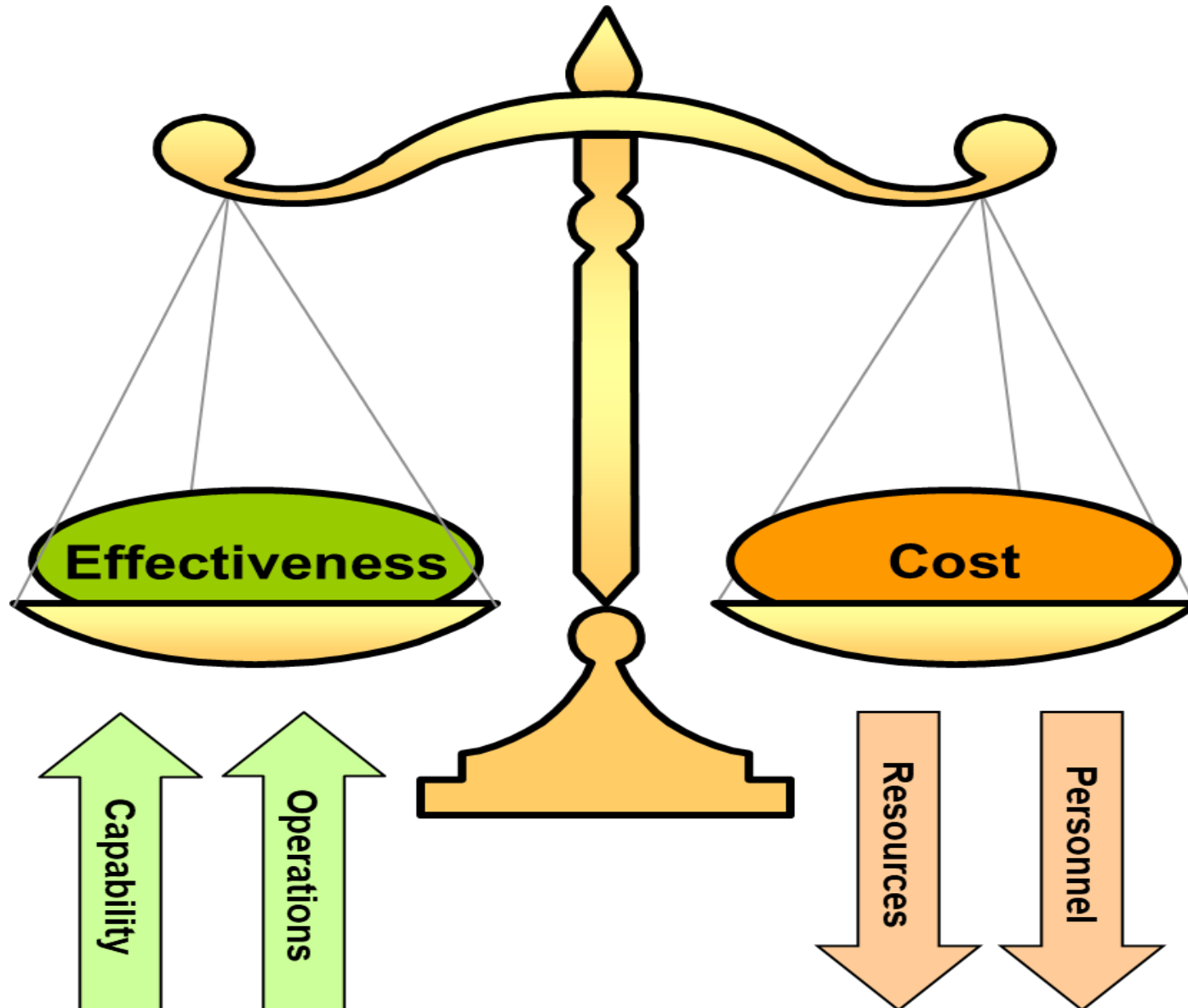
Managing the Enterprise Portfolio to Maximize Mission Impact



If you don't proactively manage your Portfolio, then your Portfolio will manage you!

Portfolio Management Examines Cost versus Effectiveness

What changes to *Capabilities* and *Operations* can lead to improved *Outcomes*?

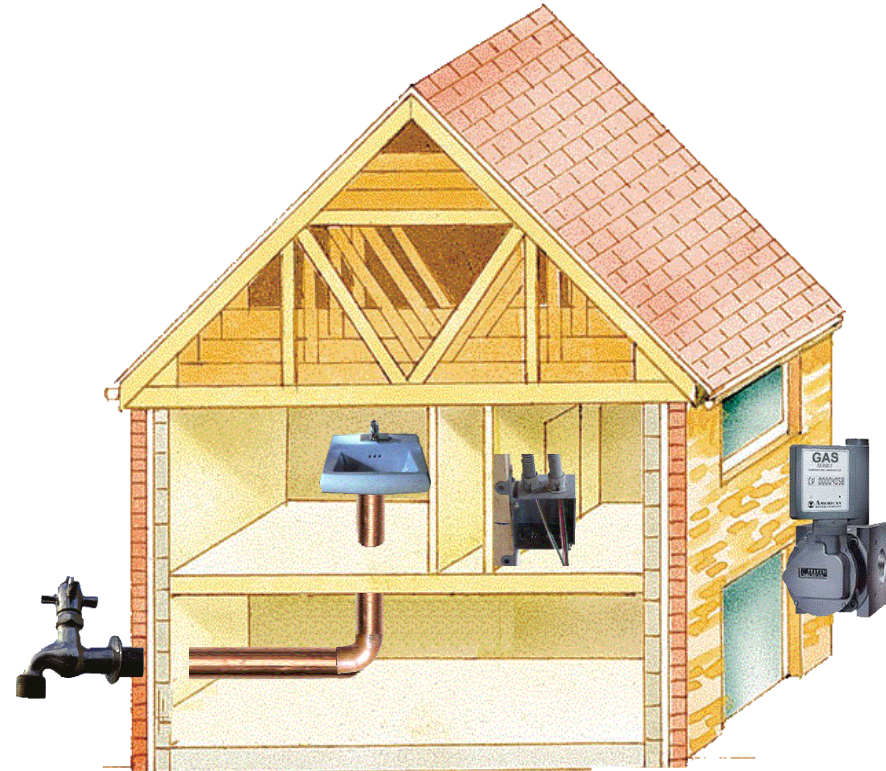


Systems vs. Enterprises



Primary aim of the Enterprise is to maximize Positive Outcomes and minimize Negative Outcomes...

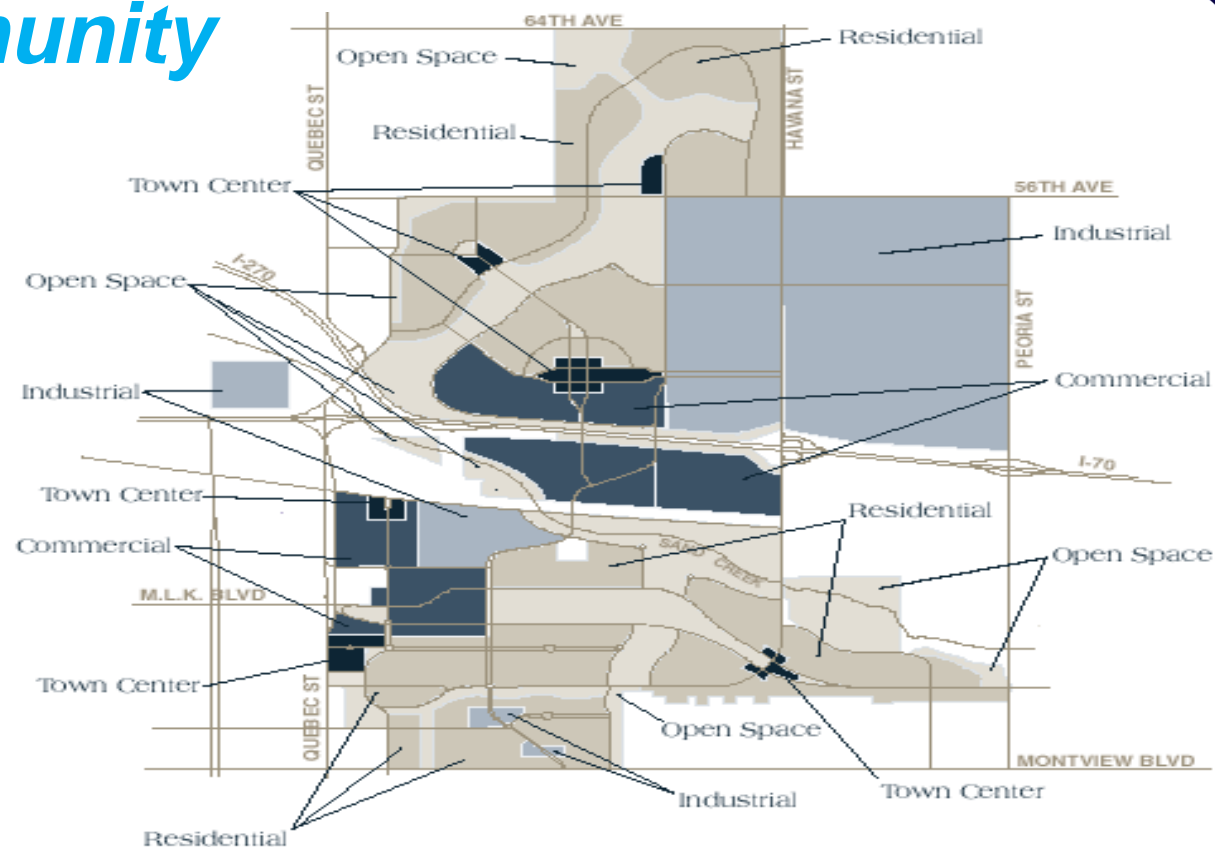
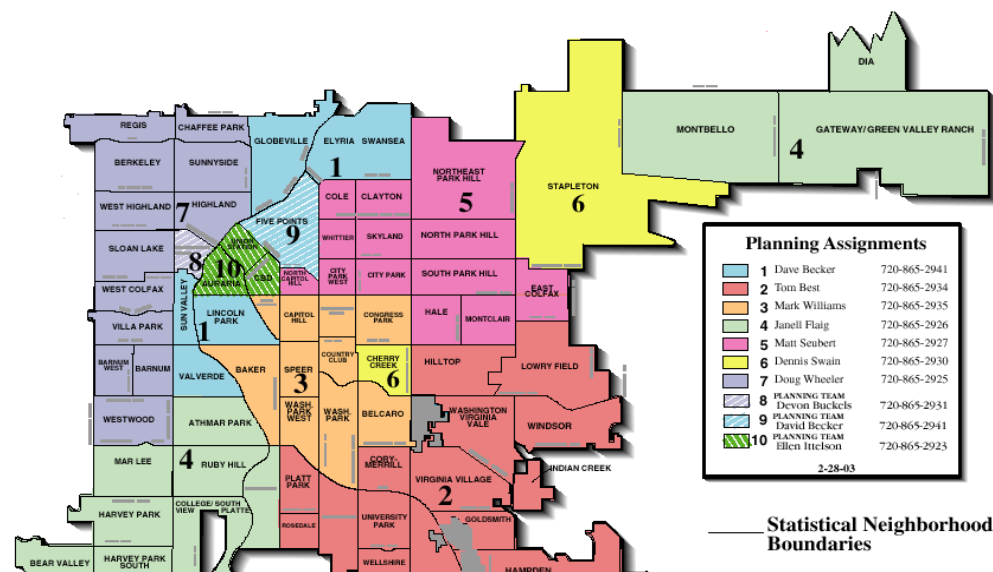
System Architecture is Like Blueprints for a Building



Outputs for a “System” tend to be the same over its lifetime. The requirements are established early on and tend not to change very much. Results for a system are more readily predictable.



Enterprise Architecture is More Like Urban Planning for a Community



Outcomes for an Enterprise are very complex and are shifting over time...

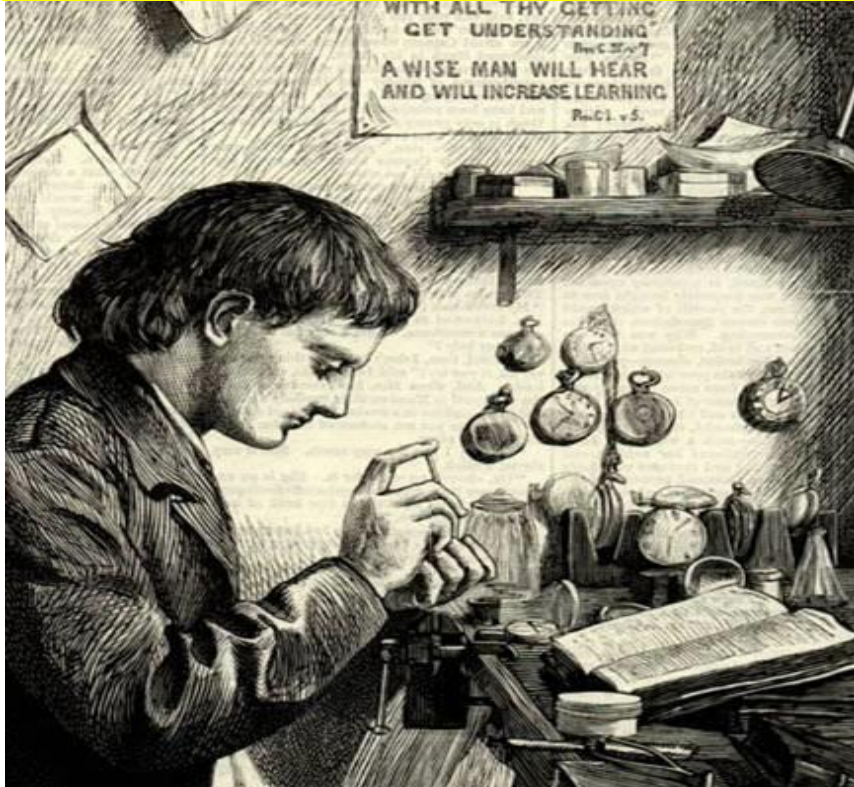
- ❖ *Usually a “sequence” of outcomes is laid out in a Capability Roadmap*
- ❖ *The Enterprise can even change its own Objectives and Priorities!*

Change the Focus from Control to Intervention...



Traditional Systems Engineering

The Watchmaker:
Everything has its place...



Static: As Is – To Be Views
Passive: One Design Choice
Uniform: All Parts Are Equal

Enterprise Systems Engineering

The Gardener:
Plant, Fertilize, Weed → Repeat

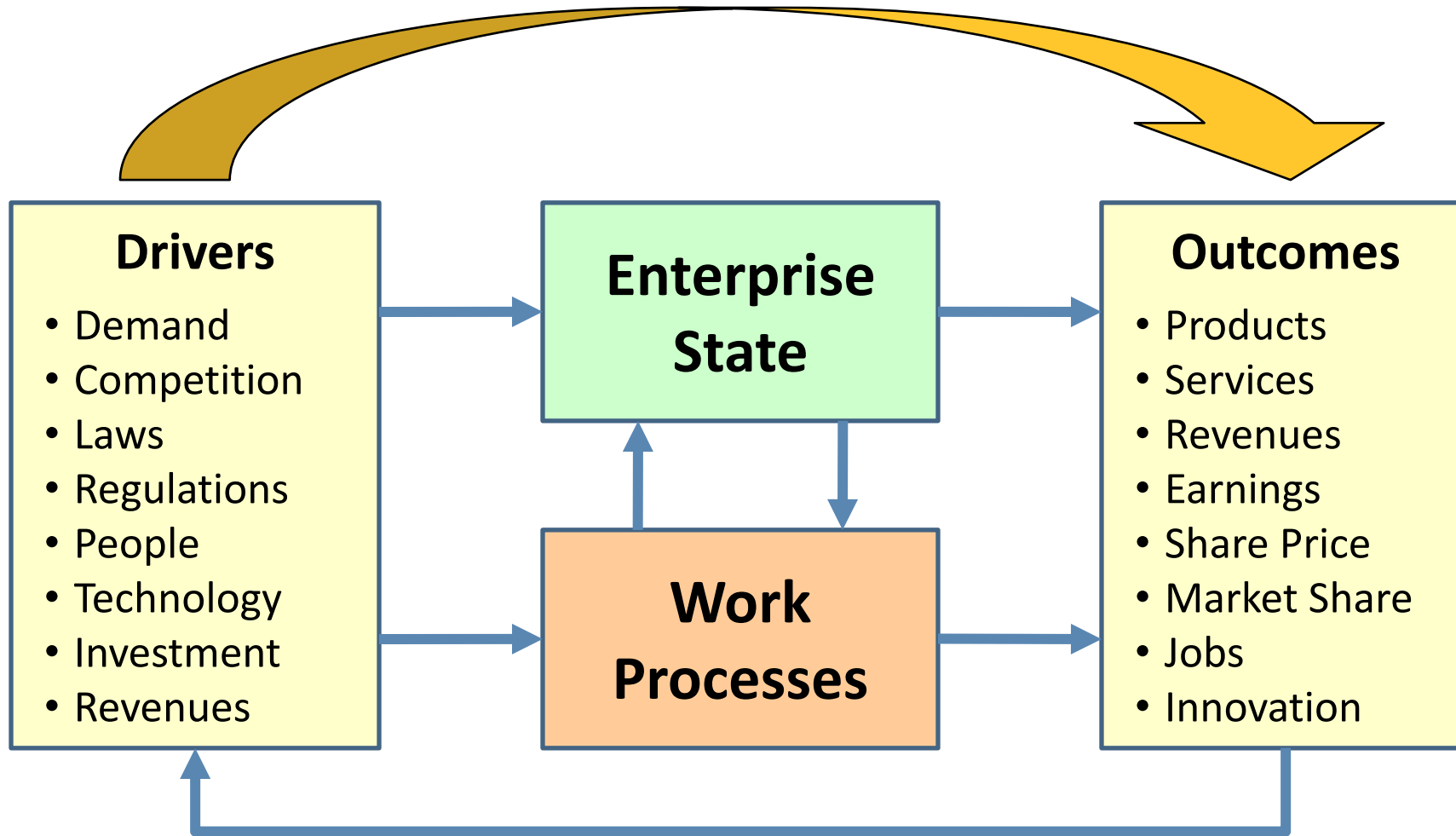


Dynamic: Constant Change
Competitive: Crops compete
Scale Free: 80-20 Rule



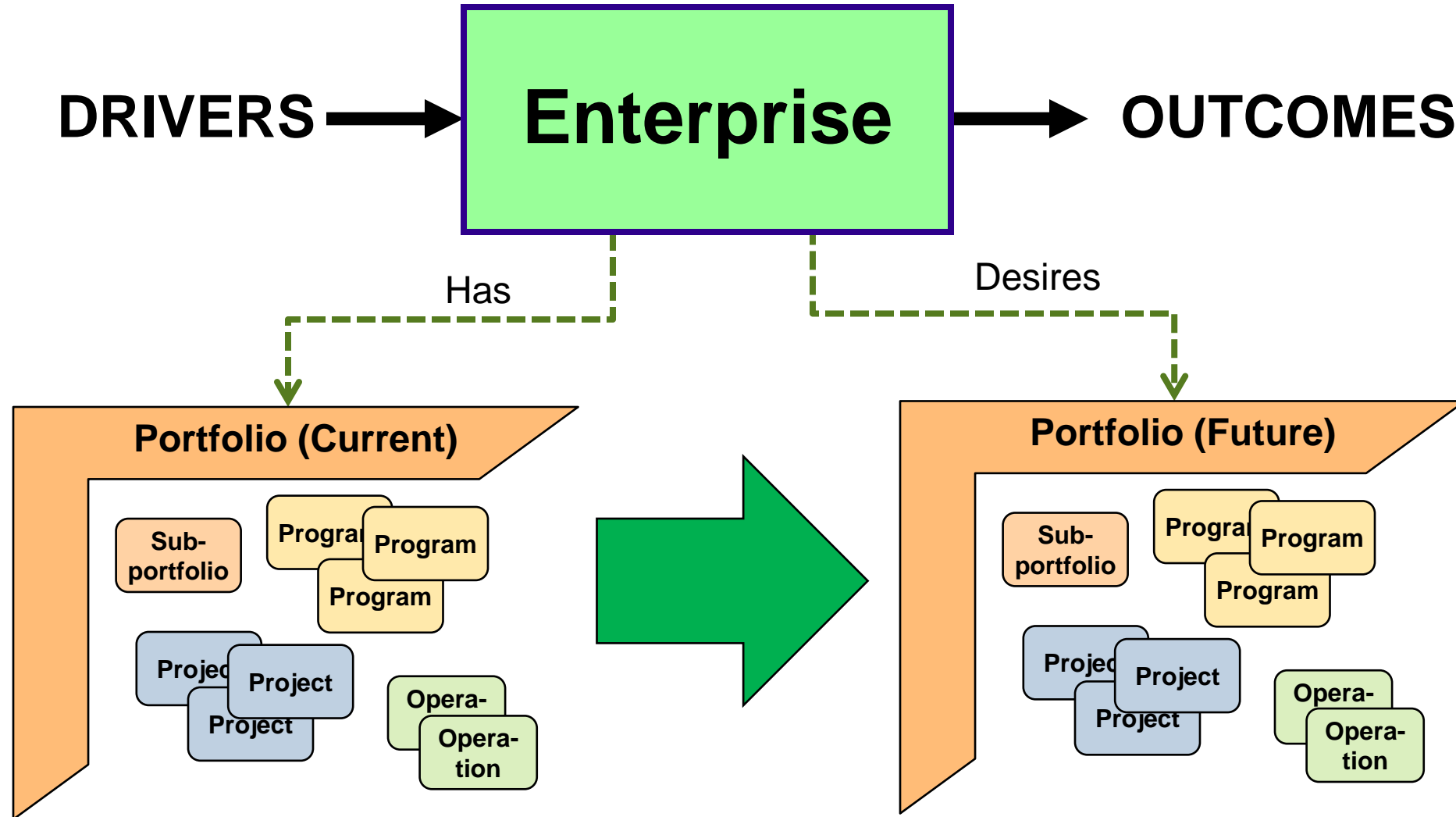
Transforming the Enterprise to Achieve Desired Outcomes

Finding the Optimal States and the Right Processes

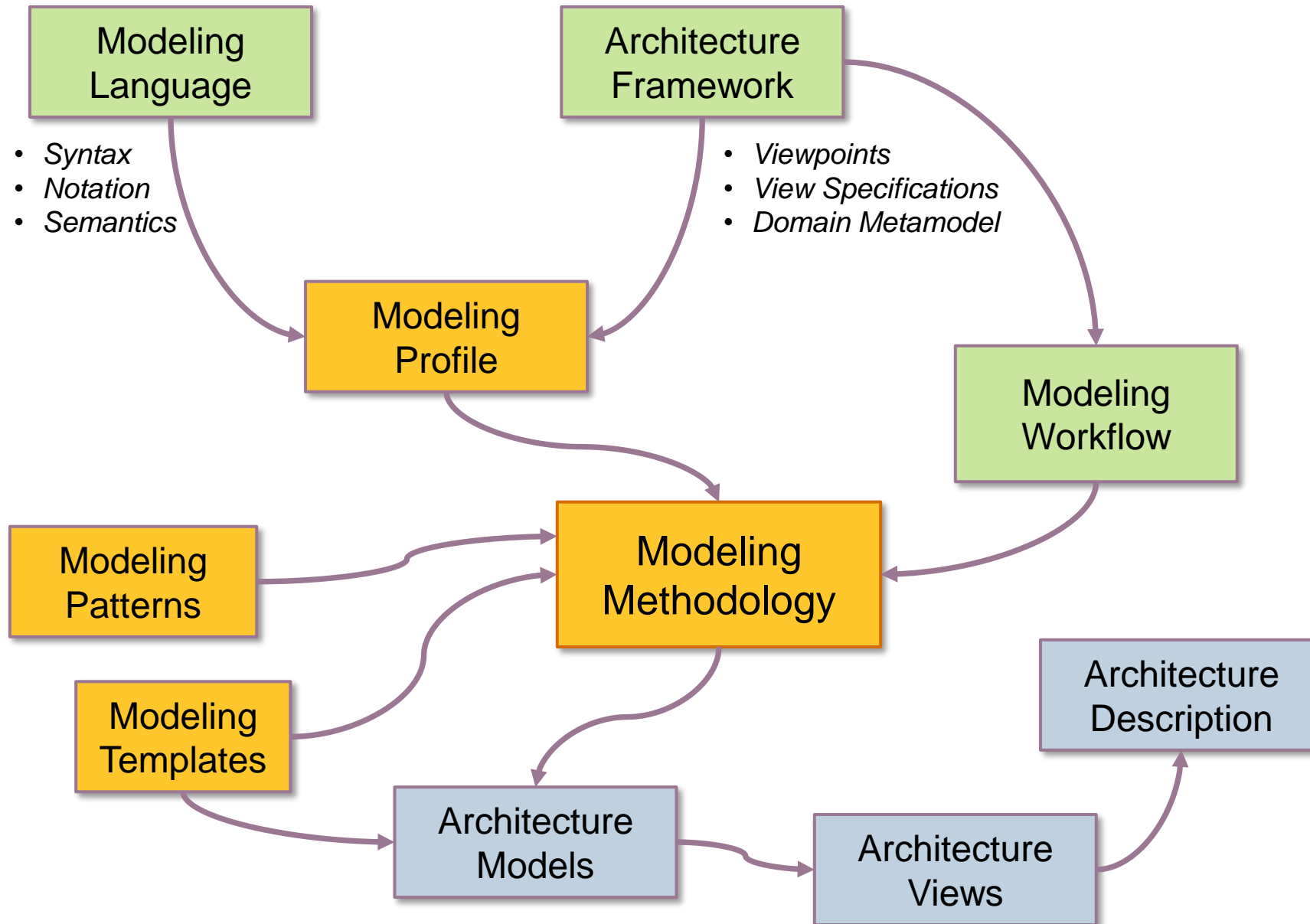


Architecture Models can help understand the landscape and how to change things for the better

Portfolio Management



The Modeling Landscape





OMG Modeling Standards

Modeling Languages



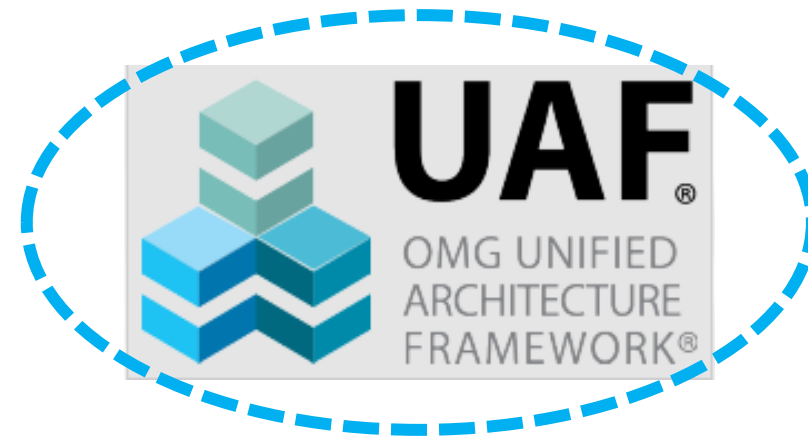
For modeling complex **Software Architectures** and applications



For modeling complex **Business Processes**

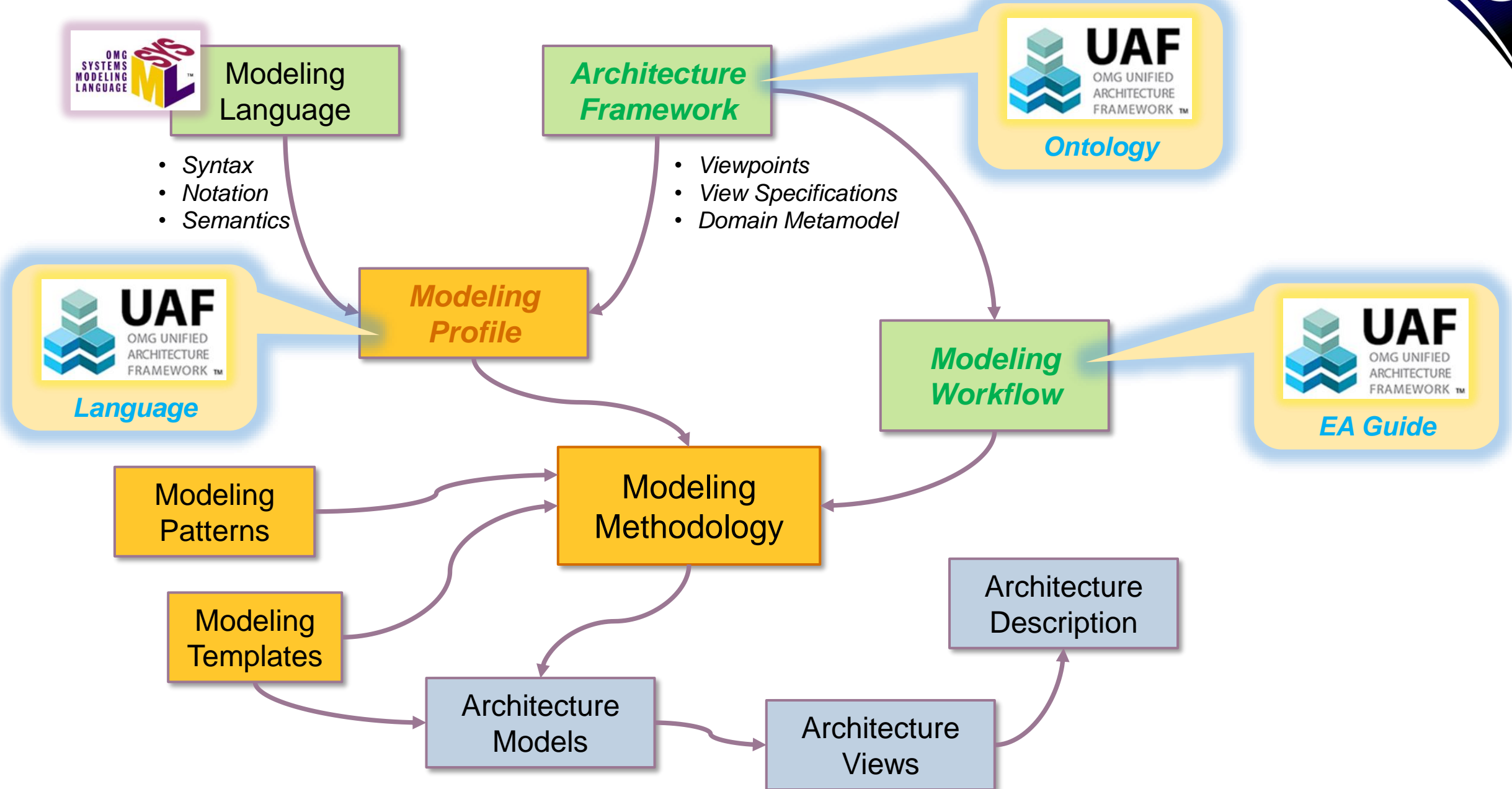


For modeling complex **System Architectures** that may include hardware, software, personnel, processes and facilities

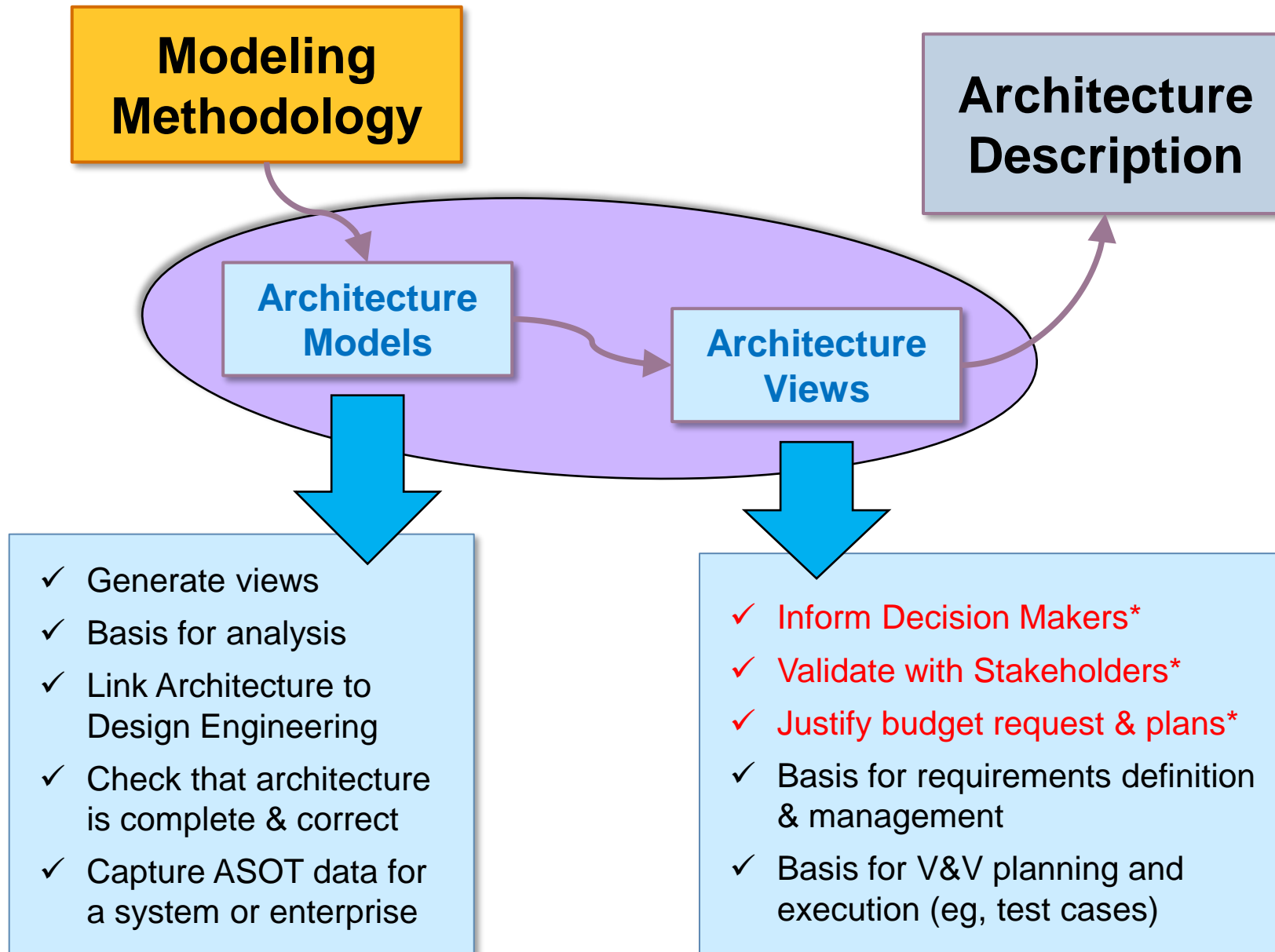


For modeling complex **Enterprise Architectures** that includes strategy, capabilities, operations, programs/projects, services, resources, security, personnel, organizations and standards

Unified Architecture Framework (UAF)



Primary Use Cases for Architecture Models & Views



** Use cases most relevant to Portfolio Management*



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What Elements are in my Portfolio?
How much Value do they deliver?
How are these Elements related?
How much Cost is involved?





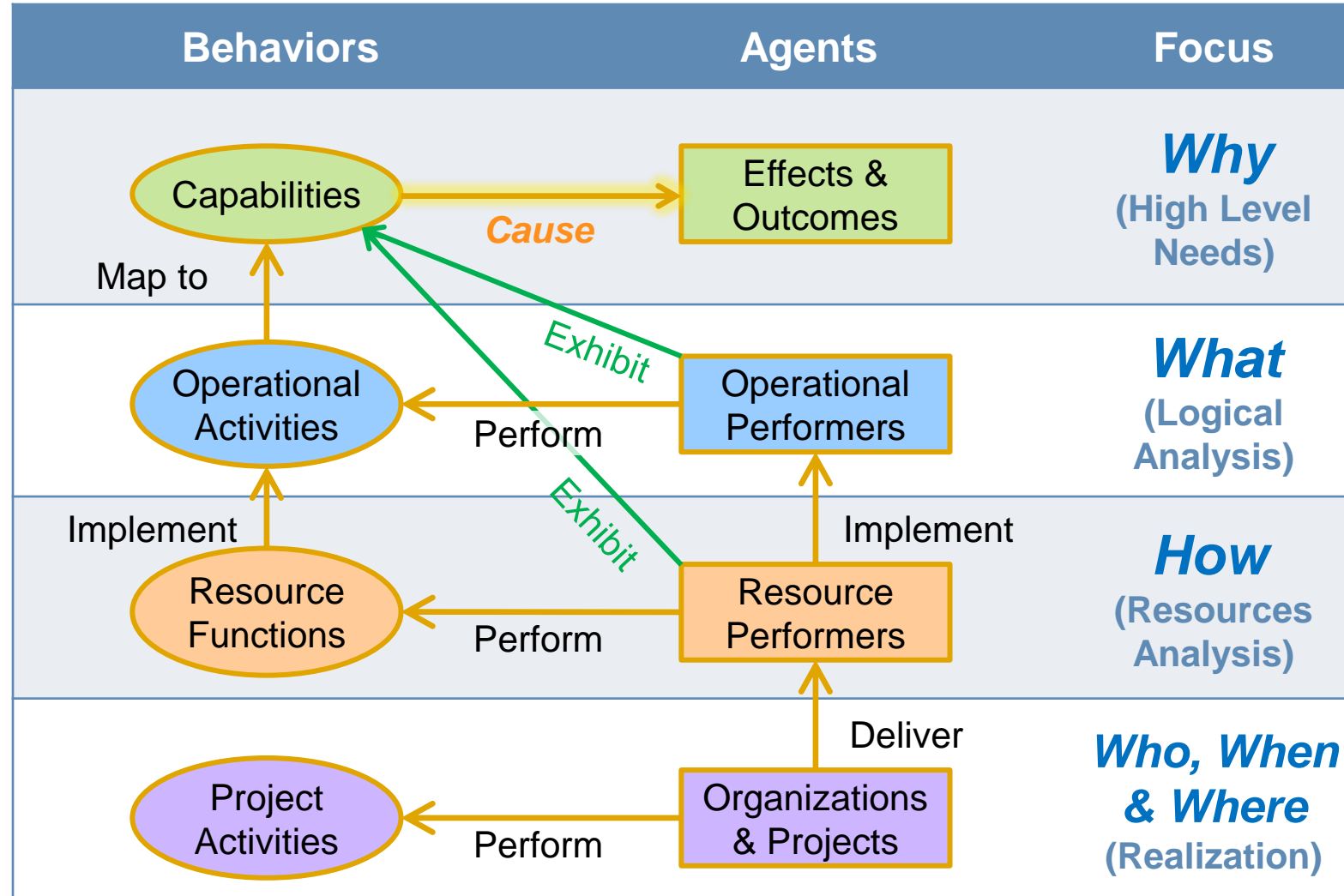
The Four Layers of Enterprise Modeling

Behaviors & Agents (ie, Doing and Being) at Different “Levels of Abstraction”

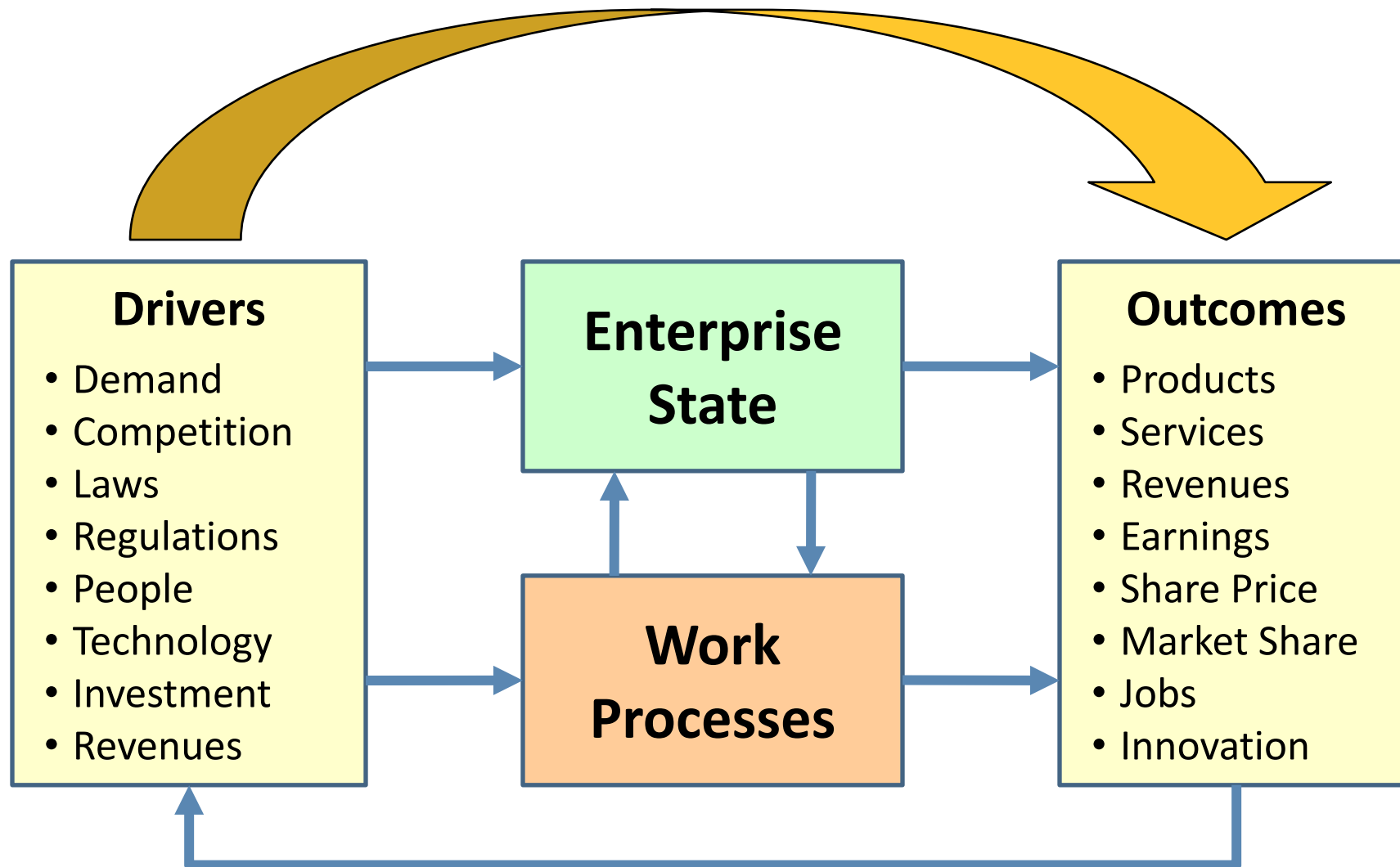
Behaviors	Agents	Focus
Capabilities	Effects & Outcomes	Why (High Level Needs)
Operational Activities	Operational Performers	What (Logical Analysis)
Resource Functions	Resource Performers	How (Resources Analysis)
Project Activities	Organizations & Projects	Who, When & Where (Realization)

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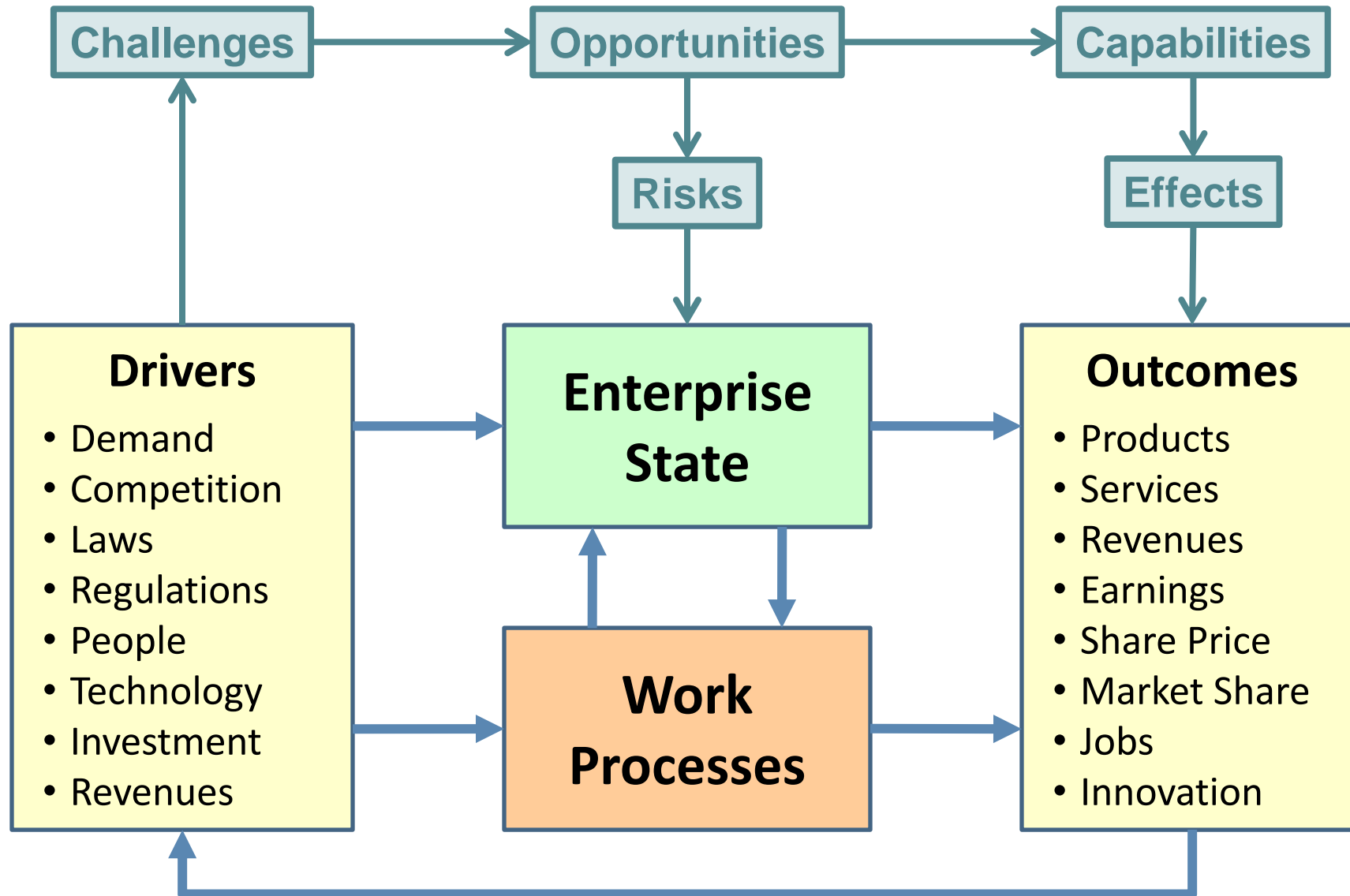
Key Relationships Between Behaviors & Agents



Drivers → **Challenges** → **Opportunities** →
Capabilities → **Effects** → **Outcomes**

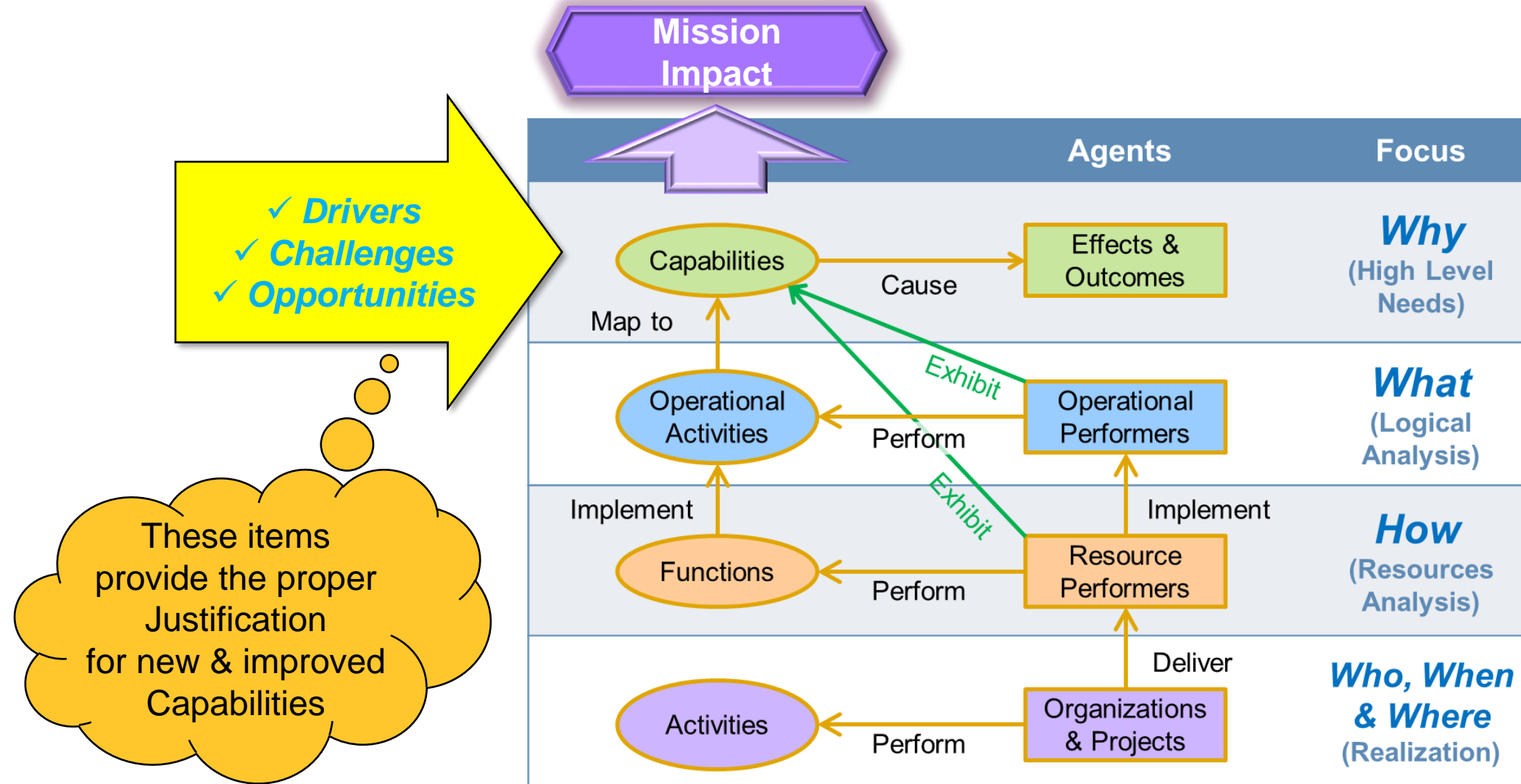


Challenges & Opportunities to be Identified for Achieving Enterprise Transformation



Identification of Capability Gaps and Shortfalls

Focus on Enterprise Capabilities & Desired Effects for Portfolio Management



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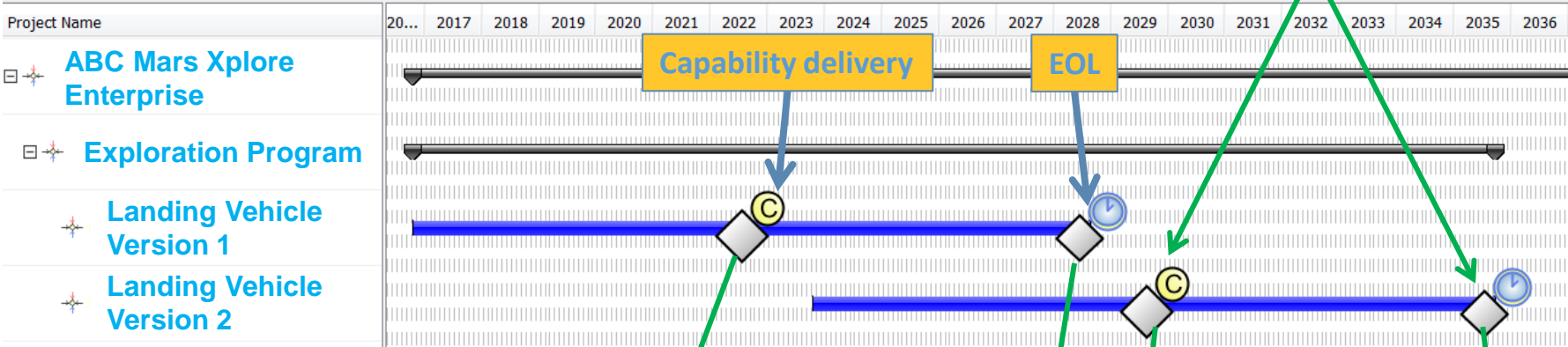


System End of Life Before Next Delivery Causes a Capability Gap

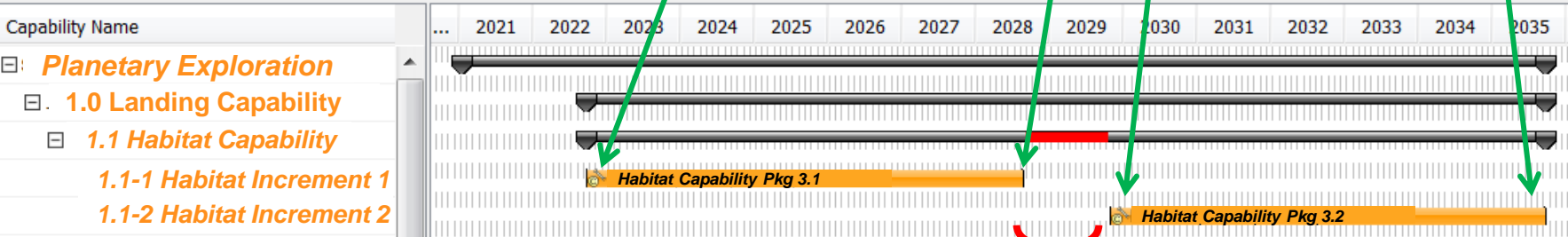
Roadmap views provide key insights into Portfolio change impacts

Adjusting milestones in the PV-2 Project View will affect the CV-3 Capability Roadmap

PV-2 Project Timelines (Pj-Rm)



CV-3 Capability Phasing (St-Rm)



Mars Exploration Enterprise Projects & Capabilities

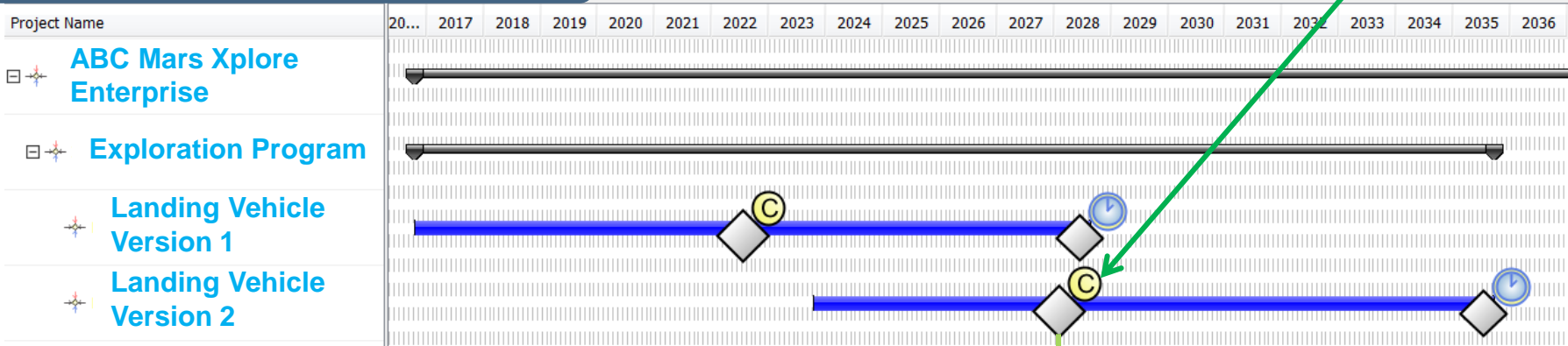
Capability Gap

Enterprise Models of the Portfolio can highlight issues and potential problems

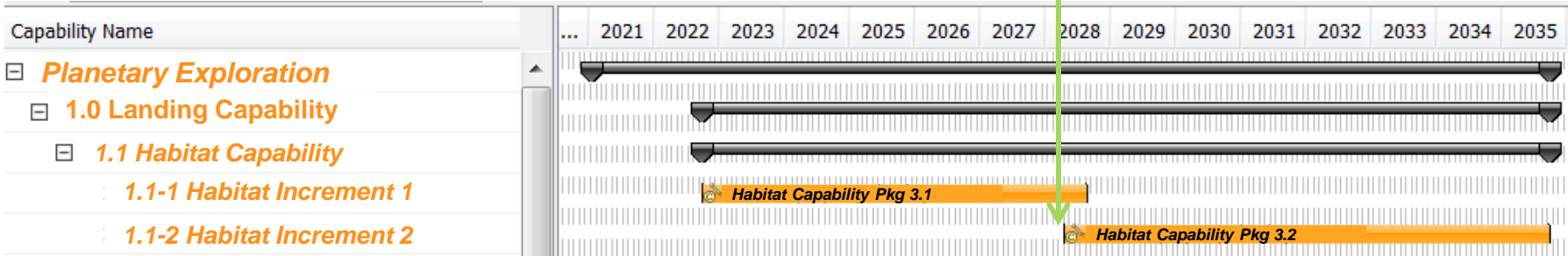
Schedule Adjustment Closes Gap

Changing the Portfolio further to achieve proper balance

PV-2 Project Timelines (Pj-Rm)



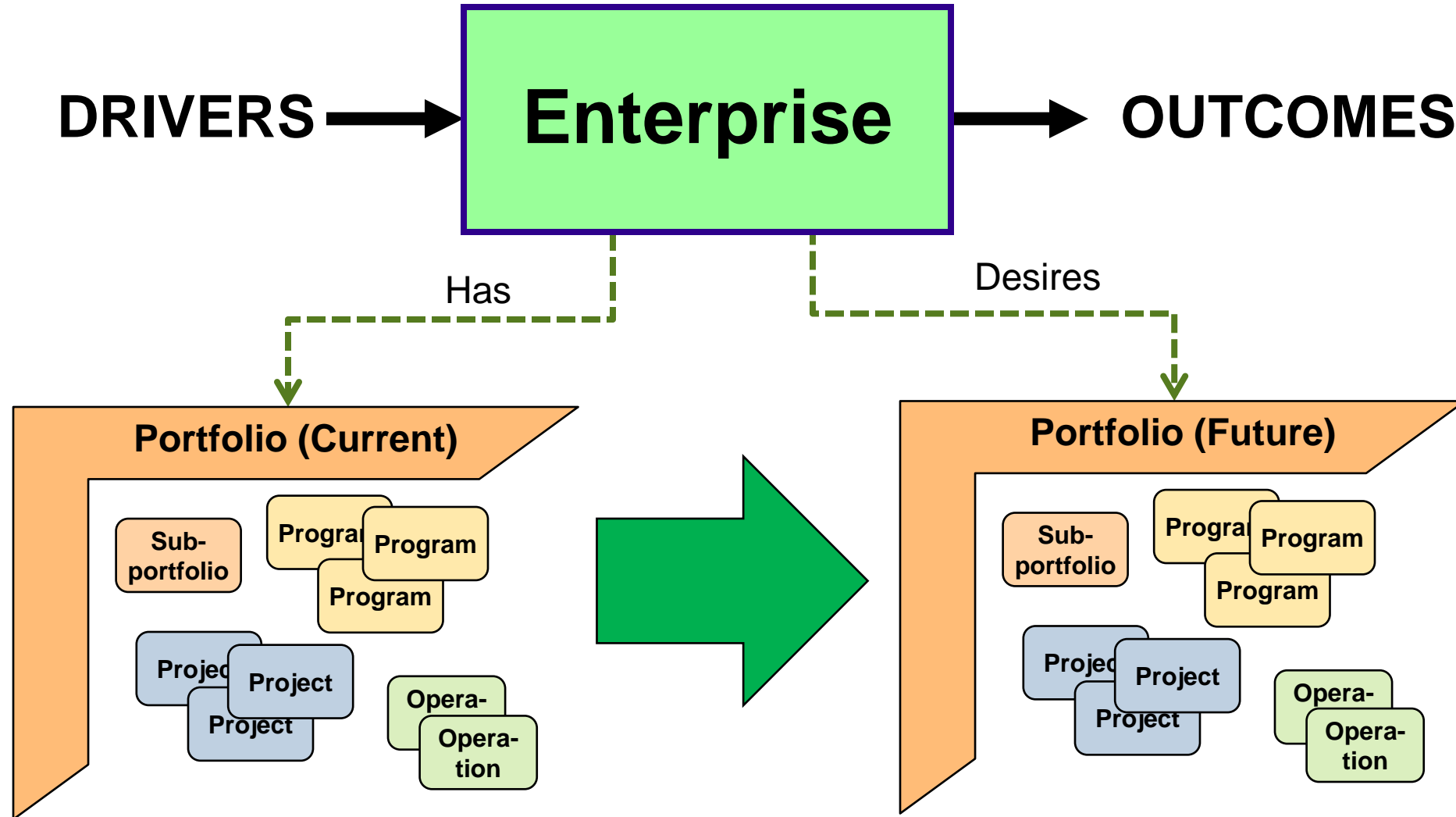
CV-3 Capability Phasing (St-Rm)



Gap Closed

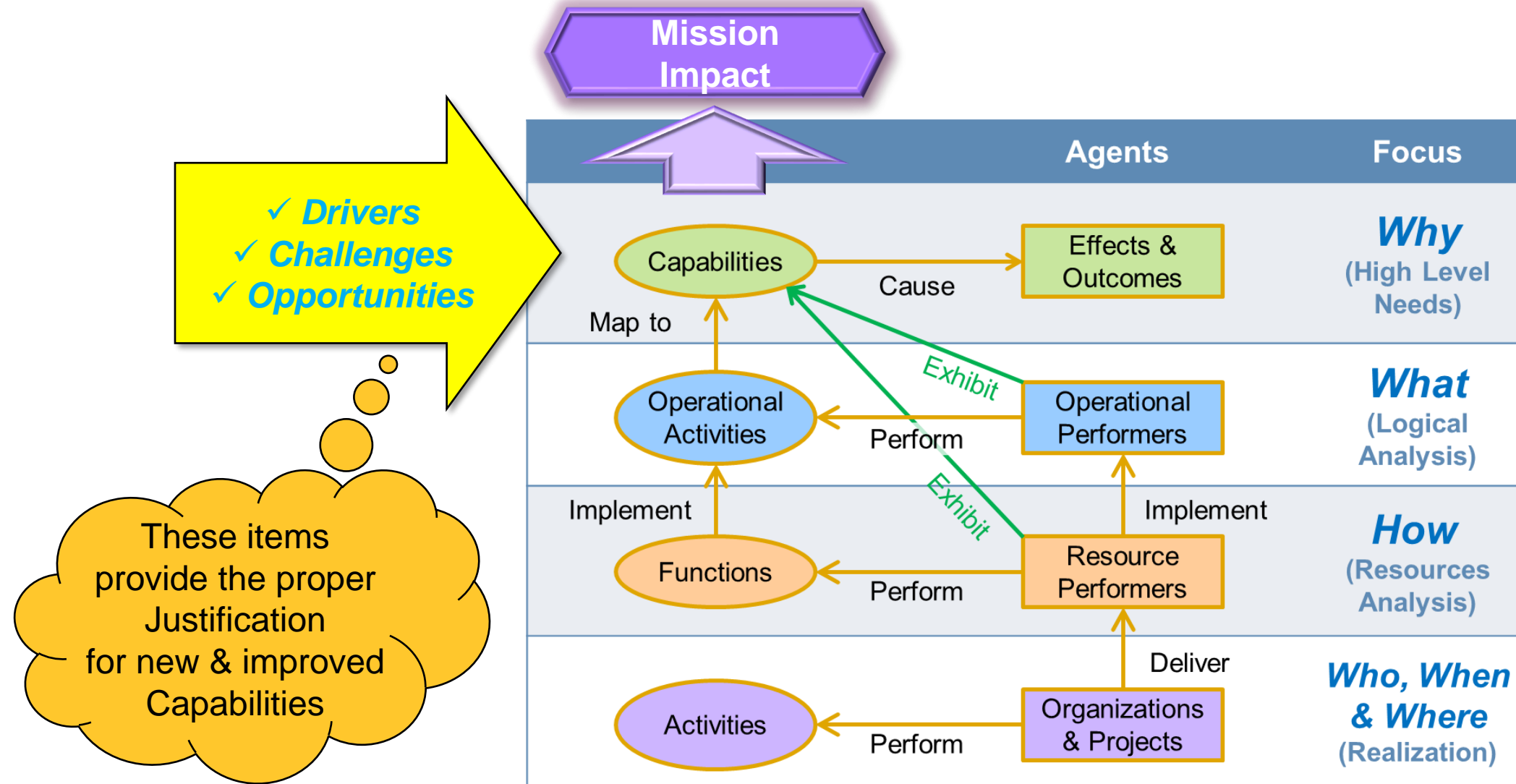
Without a good model of the Enterprise, it can be very difficult to discern impacts due to changes in a Portfolio

Portfolio Management



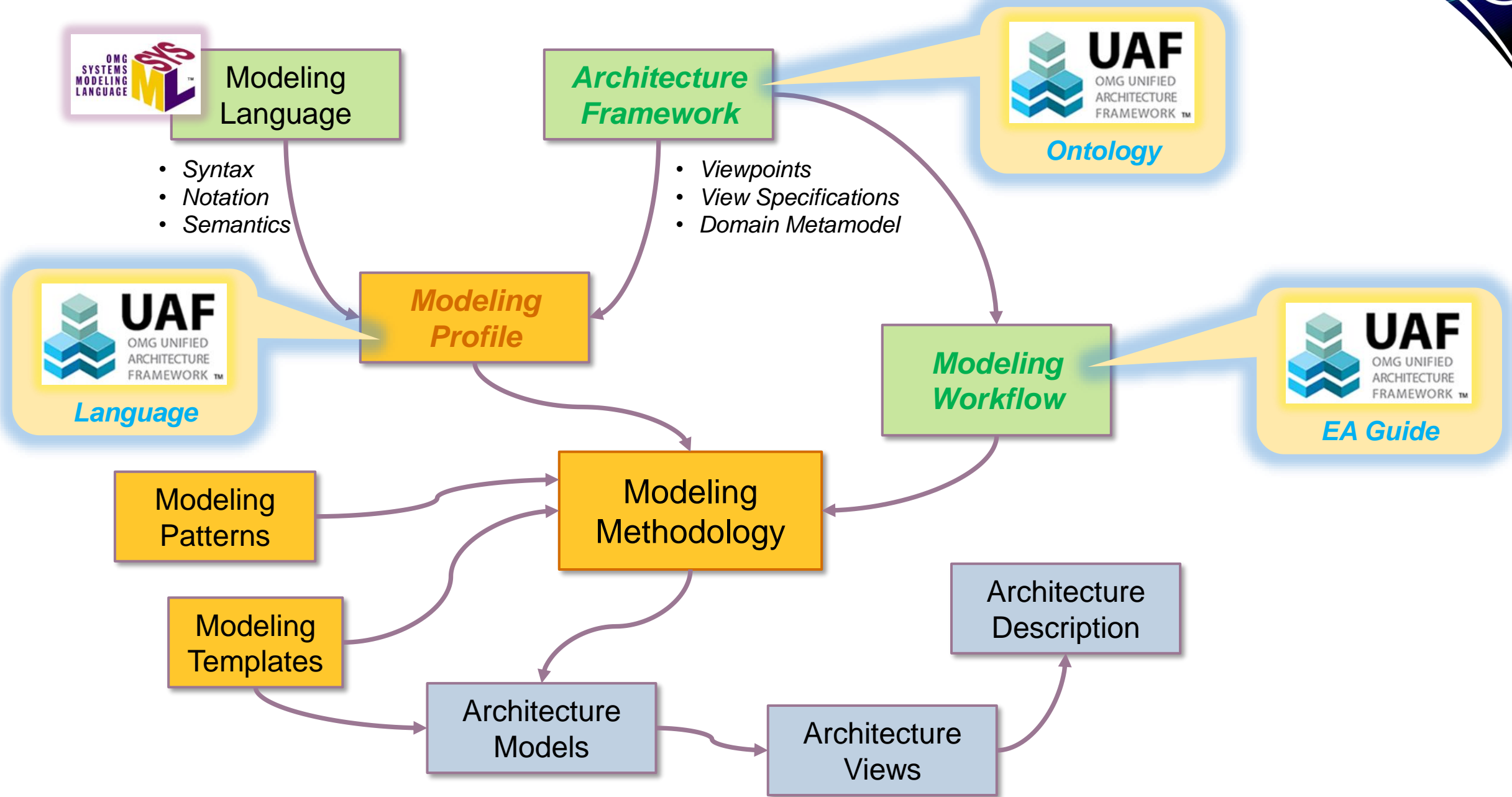
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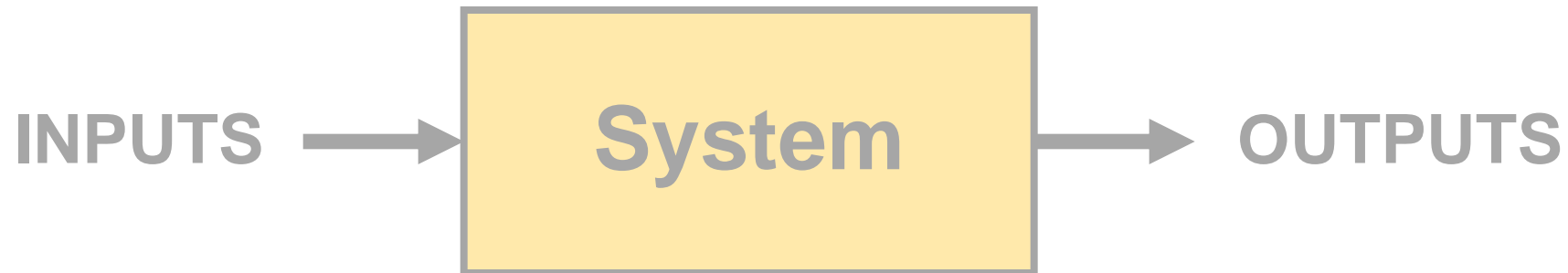


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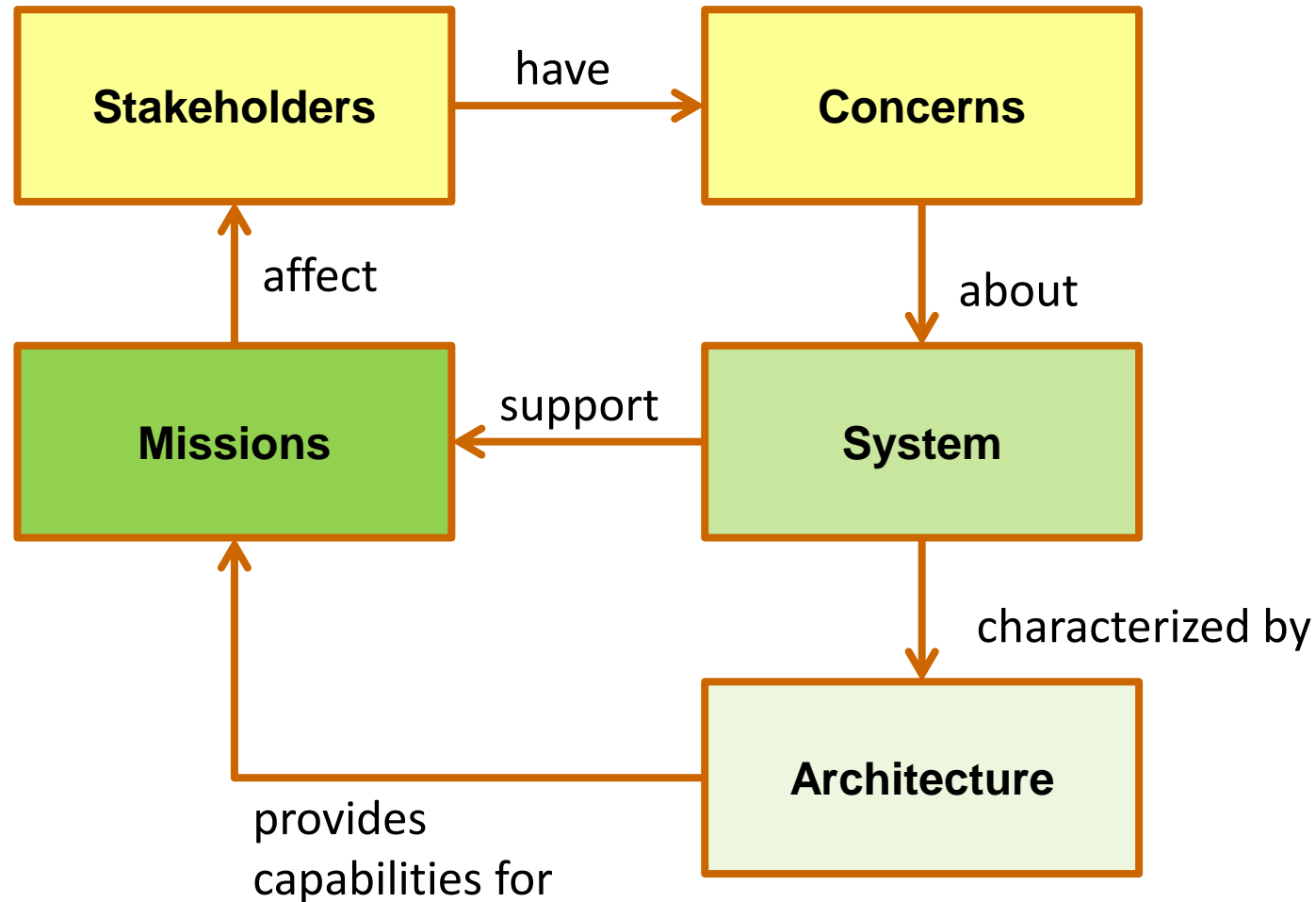


The Enterprise Mindset...

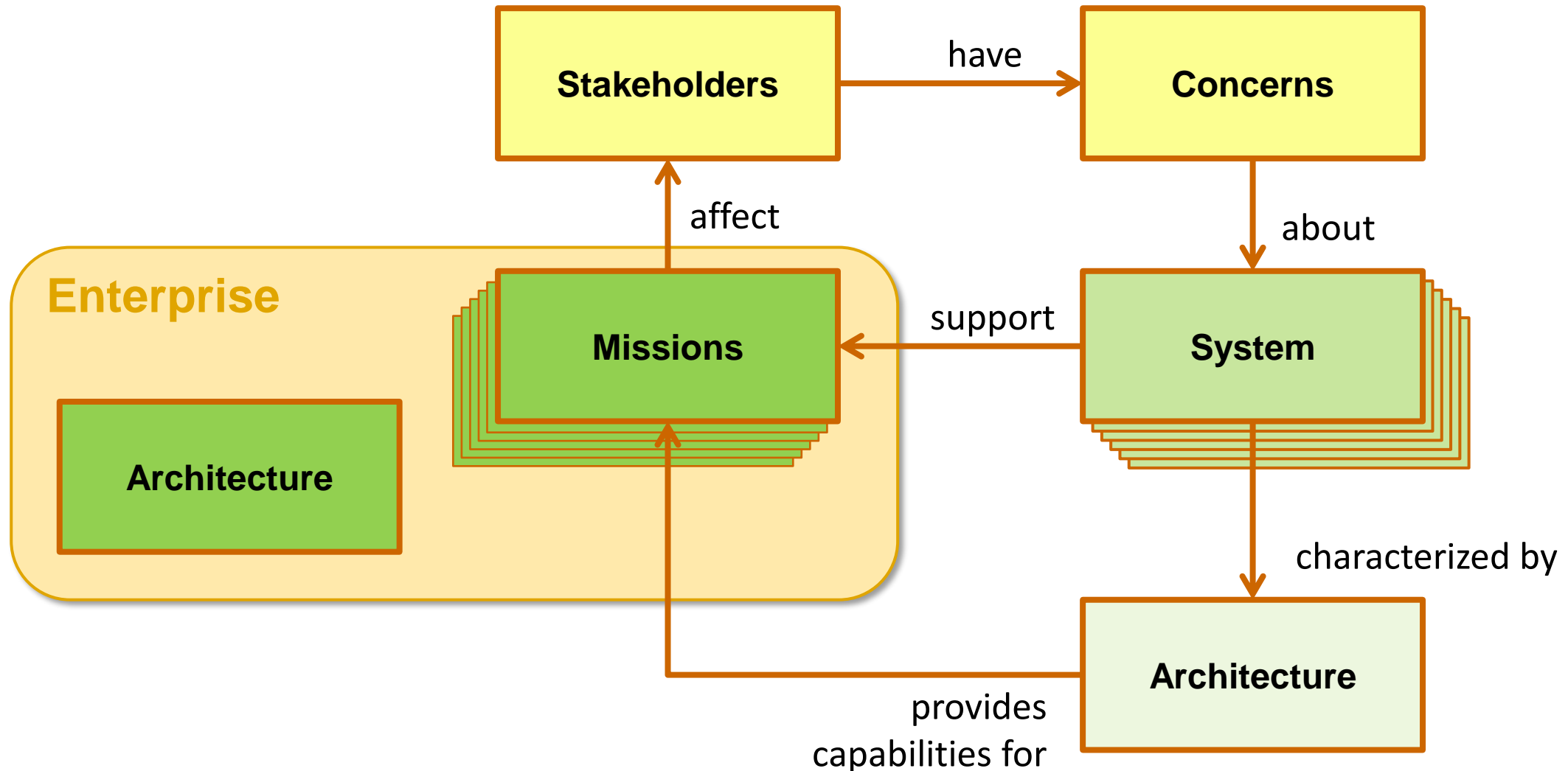


Outcomes for an Enterprise are very complex and are shifting over time. However, you must be eternally mindful of the various Drivers in the environment, which are changing constantly...

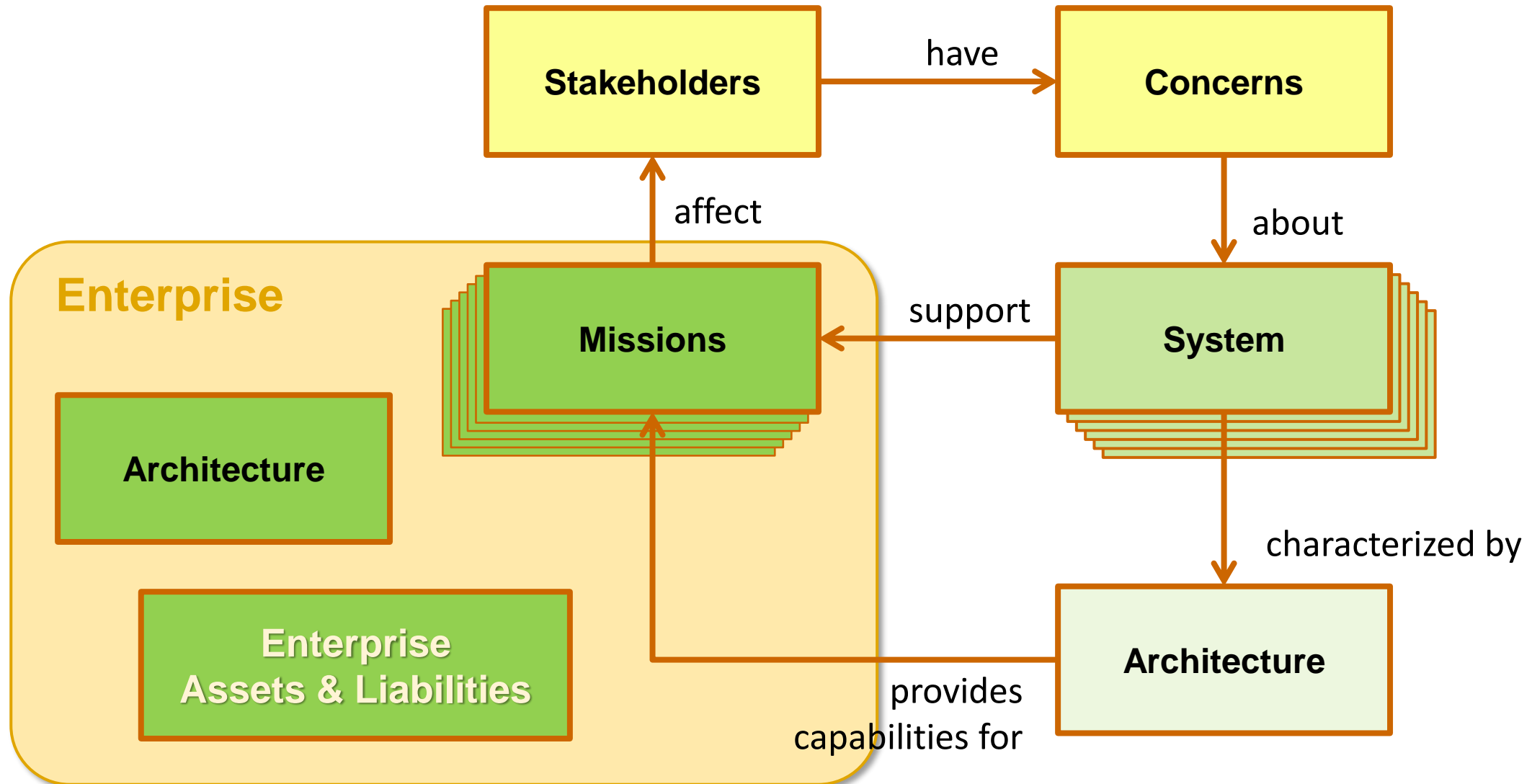
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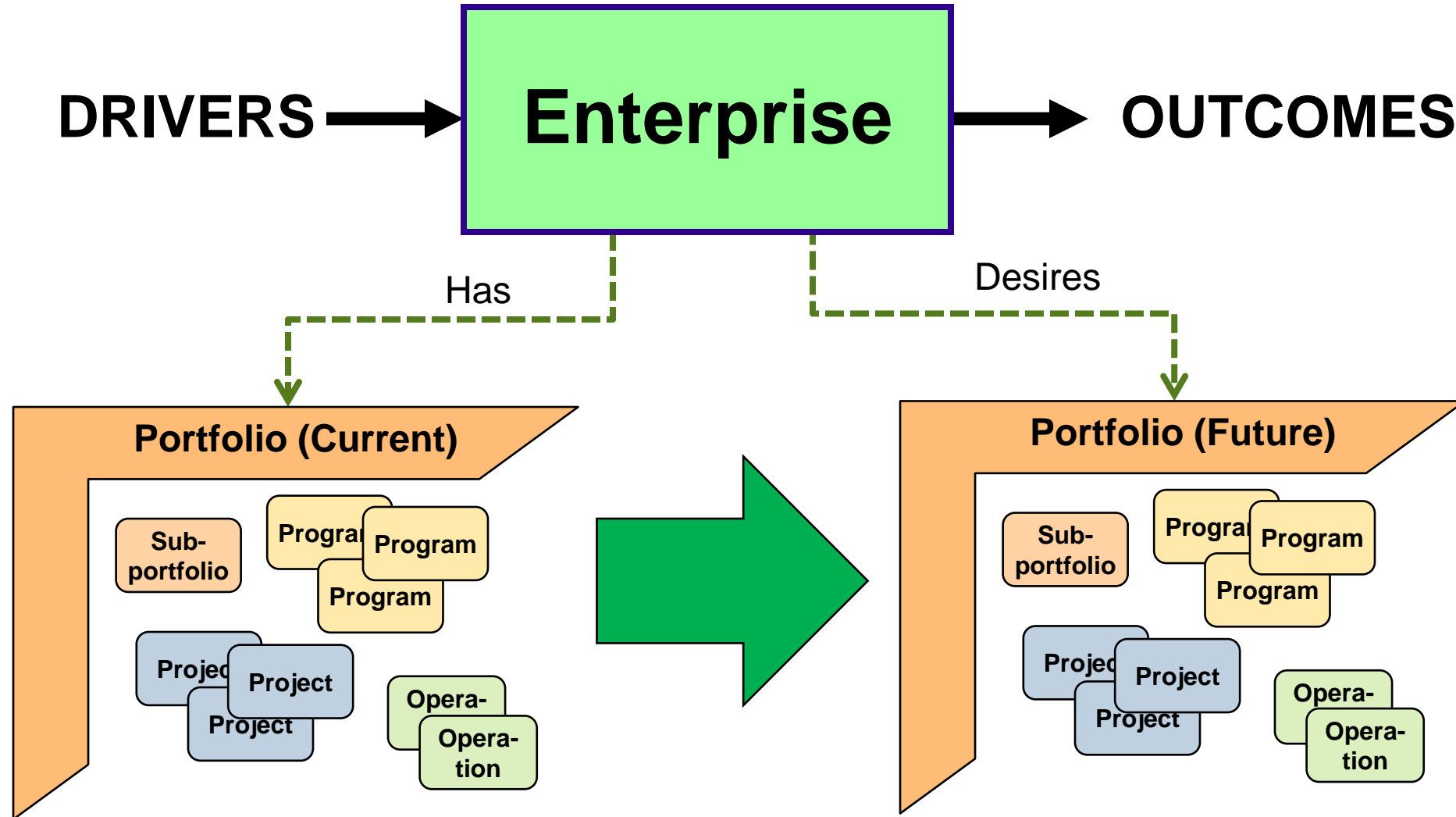
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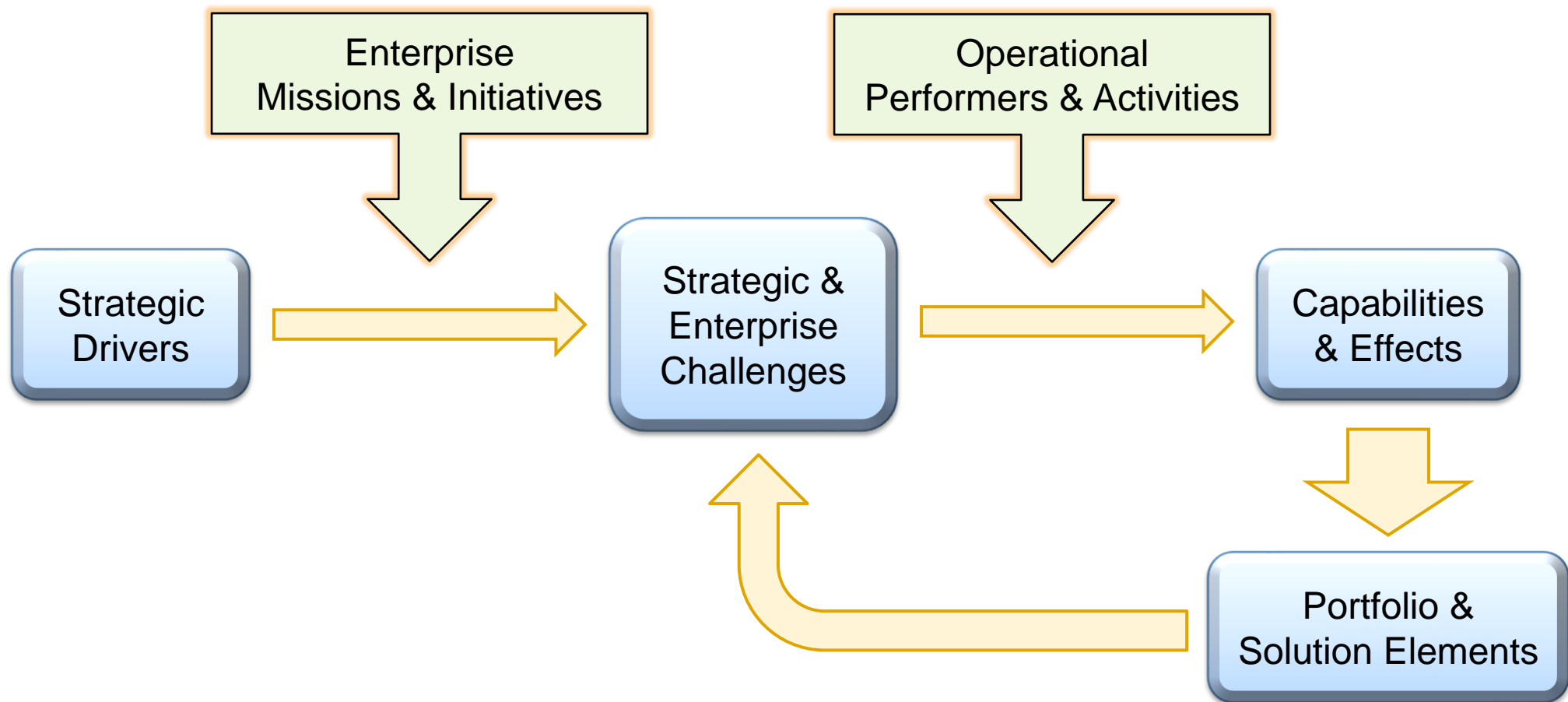


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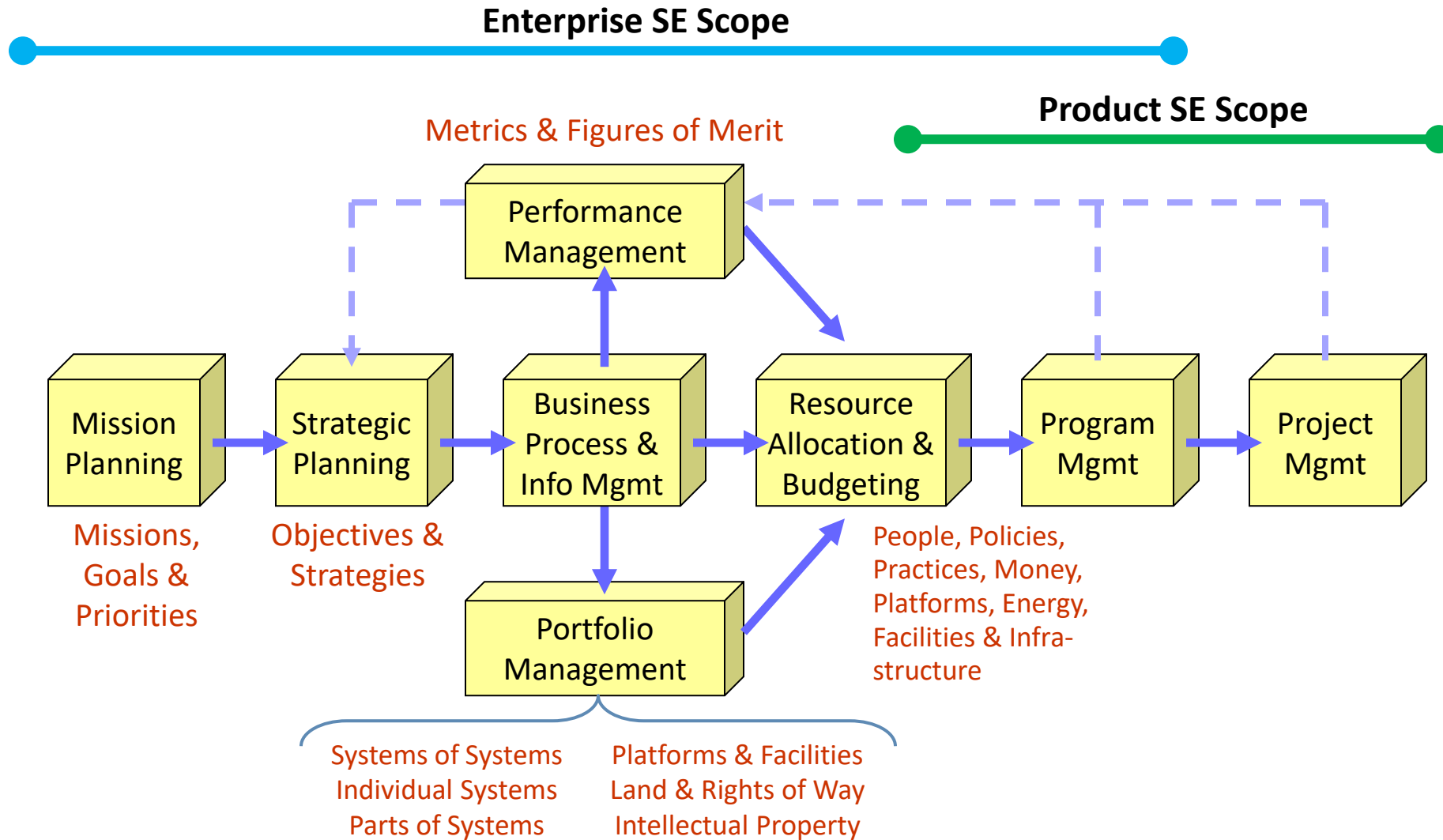
Keeping our focus on the most important dimensions of the Enterprise Total Solution





BACKUP

Higher Level for the Scope of Enterprise SE



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Major Role of Enterprise SE

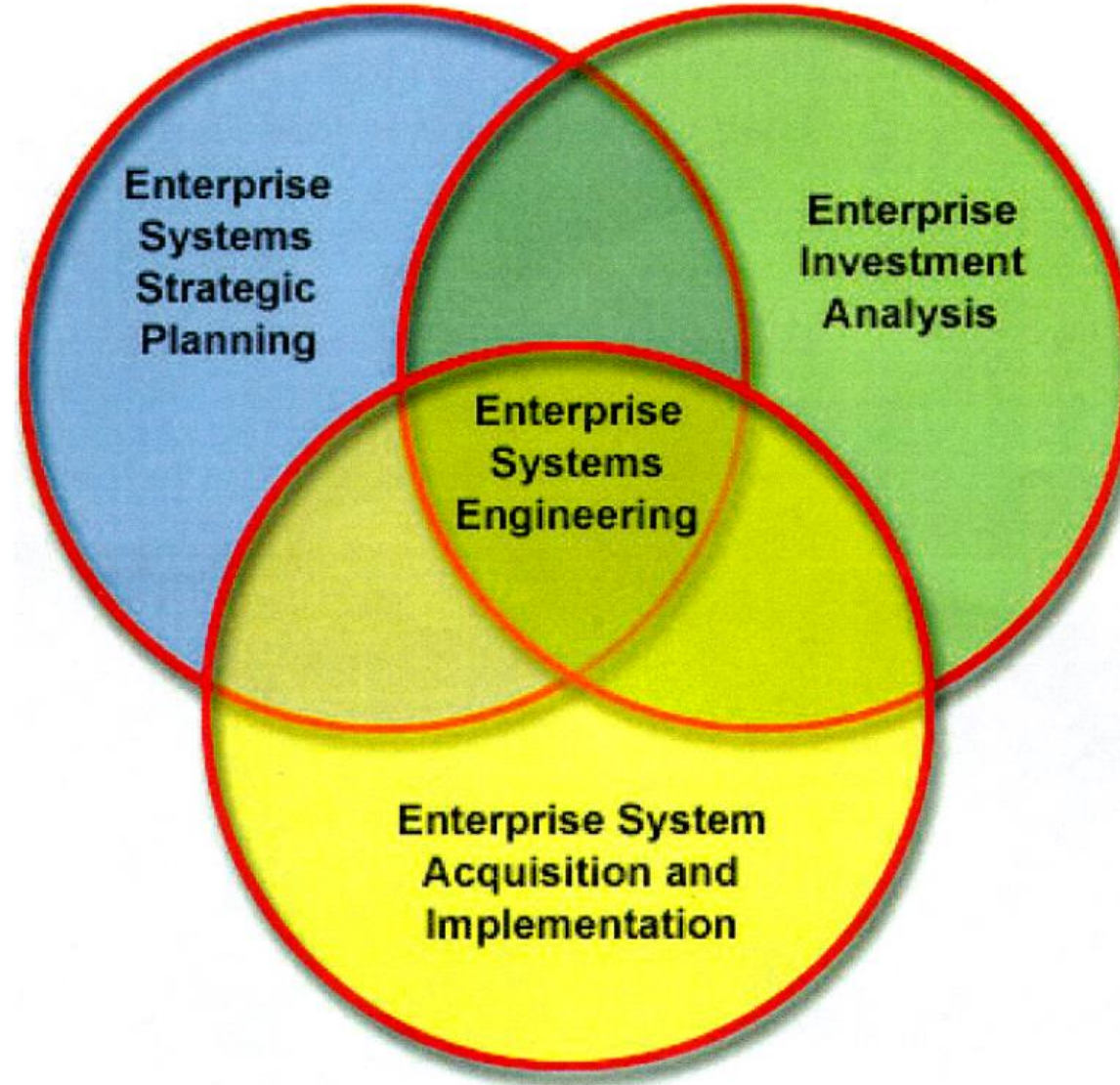
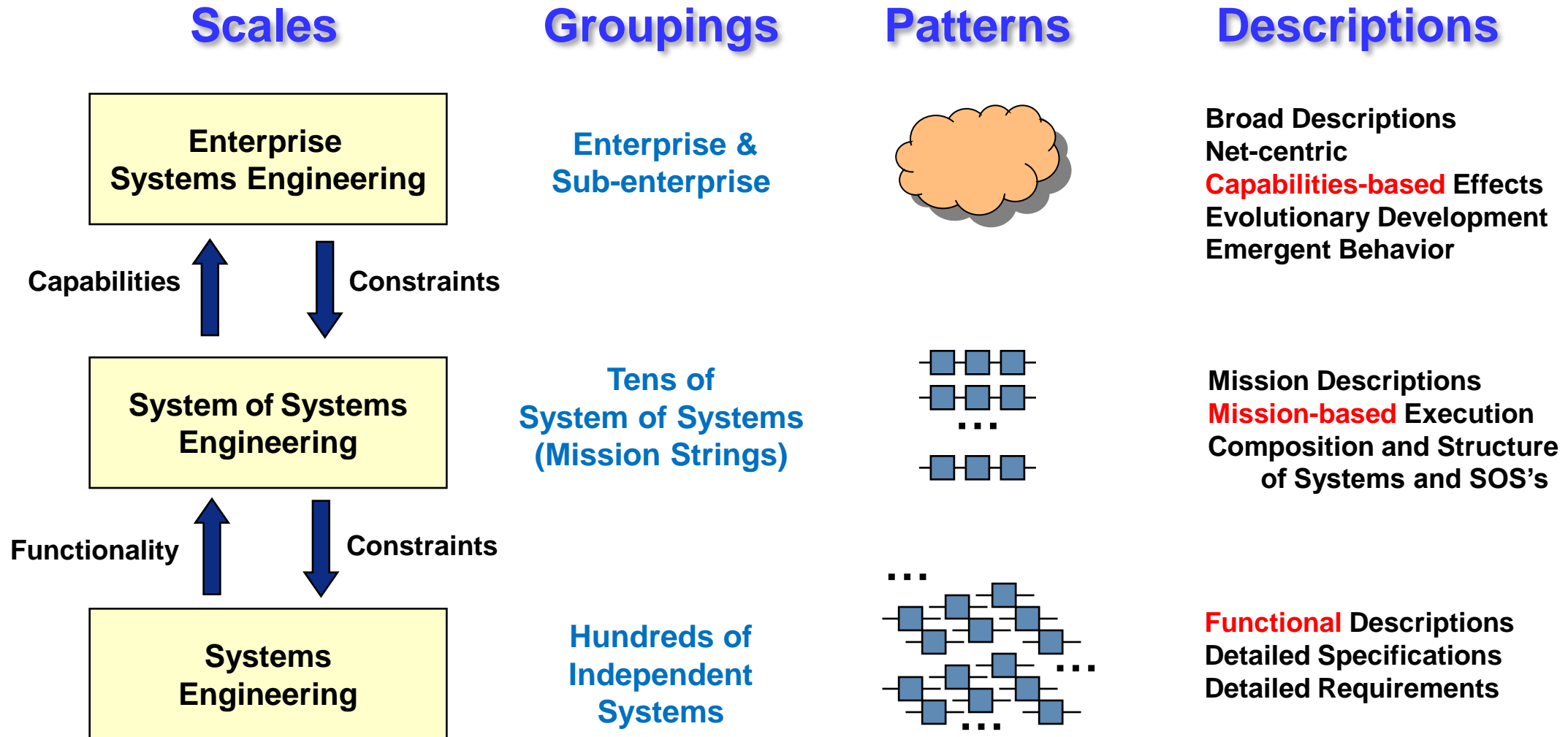


Fig 1, System of Systems (SoS) Enterprise Systems Engineering for Information-Intensive Organizations, Paul Carlock and Robert Fenton, Systems Engineering Journal, Vol 4, No 4, 2001

Different Groupings and Patterns Revealed at Different Scales



Source: DeRosa, Joseph K. 2005., "Enterprise Systems Engineering," Air Force Association, Industry Day, Day 1, Danvers, MA, 4 August 2005, <https://www.paulrevereafa.org/IndustryDay/05/presentations/index.asp>

How Can SE Enable Enterprise Transformation?

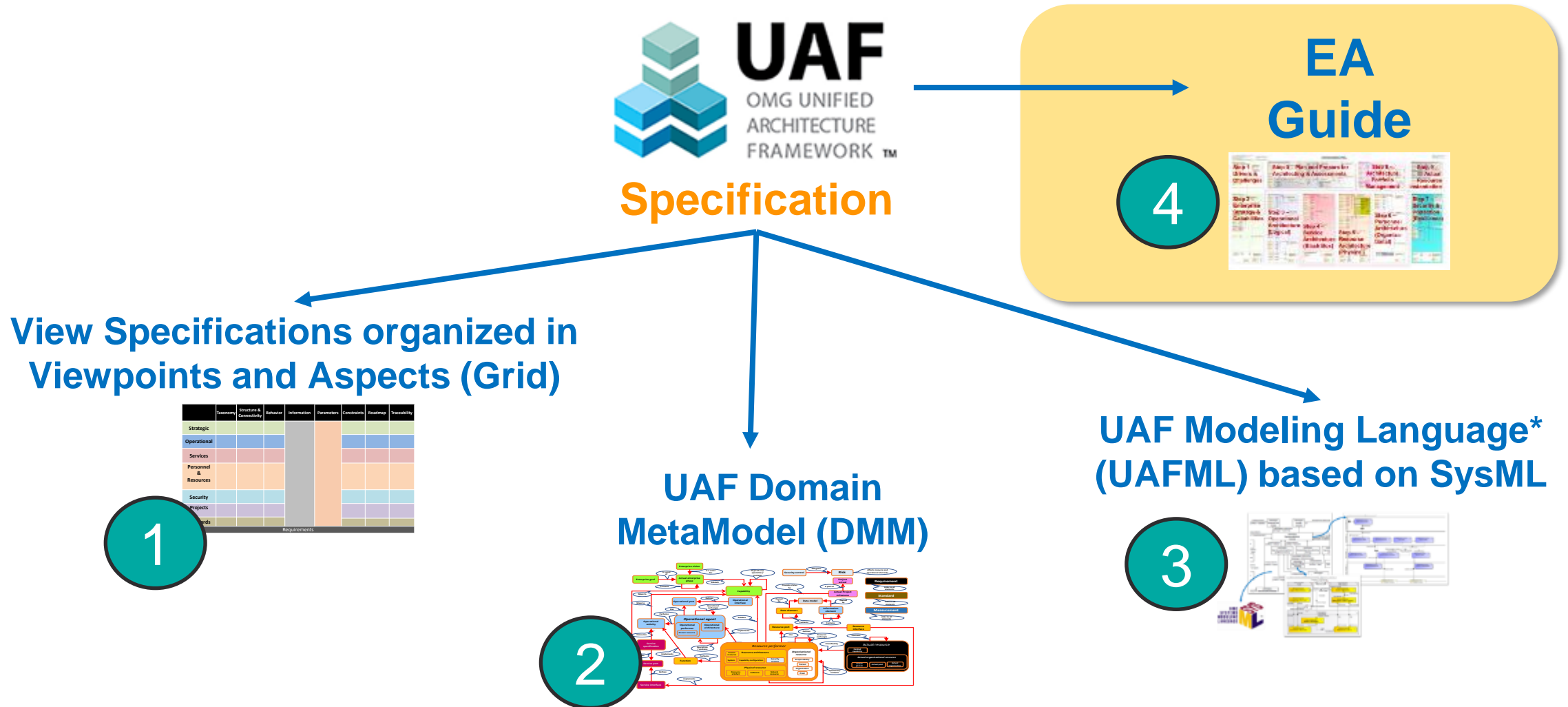


Executive Concerns	SE Enablers
Identifying ends , means , and scope and candidate changes	System complexity analysis to compare “as is” and “to be” enterprises
Evaluating changes in terms of process behaviors and performance	Organizational simulation of process flows and relationships
Assessing economics in terms of investments, operating costs, and returns	Economic modeling in terms of cash flows, volatility, and options
Defining the new enterprise in terms of processes and their integration	Enterprise architecting in terms of workflow, processes, and levels of maturity
Designing a strategy to change the culture for selected changes	Organizational and cultural change via leadership, vision, strategy, and incentives
Developing transformation action plans in terms of what, when, and who	Implementation planning in terms of tasks, schedule, people, and information

Source: Rouse, W.B., 2009. “Engineering the enterprise as a system.” (Chapter 10) In Sage, Andrew P. and William B. Rouse (Eds.), Handbook of Systems Engineering and Management, (Chapter 10), 2nd edition. John Wiley & Sons, 2009. FIGURE 10.3.



Components of the UAF Specification (v1.2)

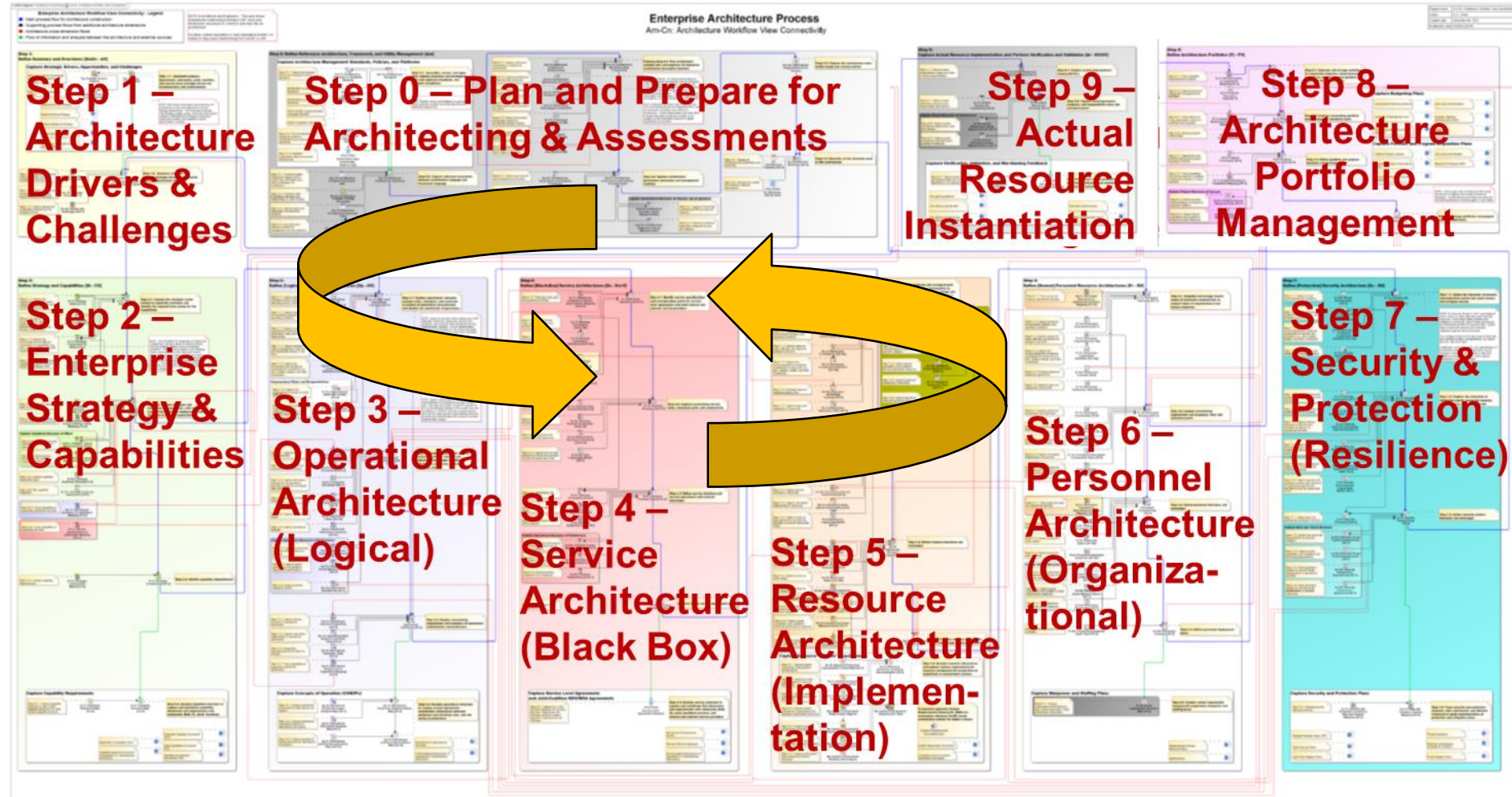


* Formerly called the "UAF Profile (UAFP)" in version 1.1 of the UAF specification



Standardized Enterprise Architecture Workflow in UAF

Establishes a Business Rhythm for Enterprise Transformation activities

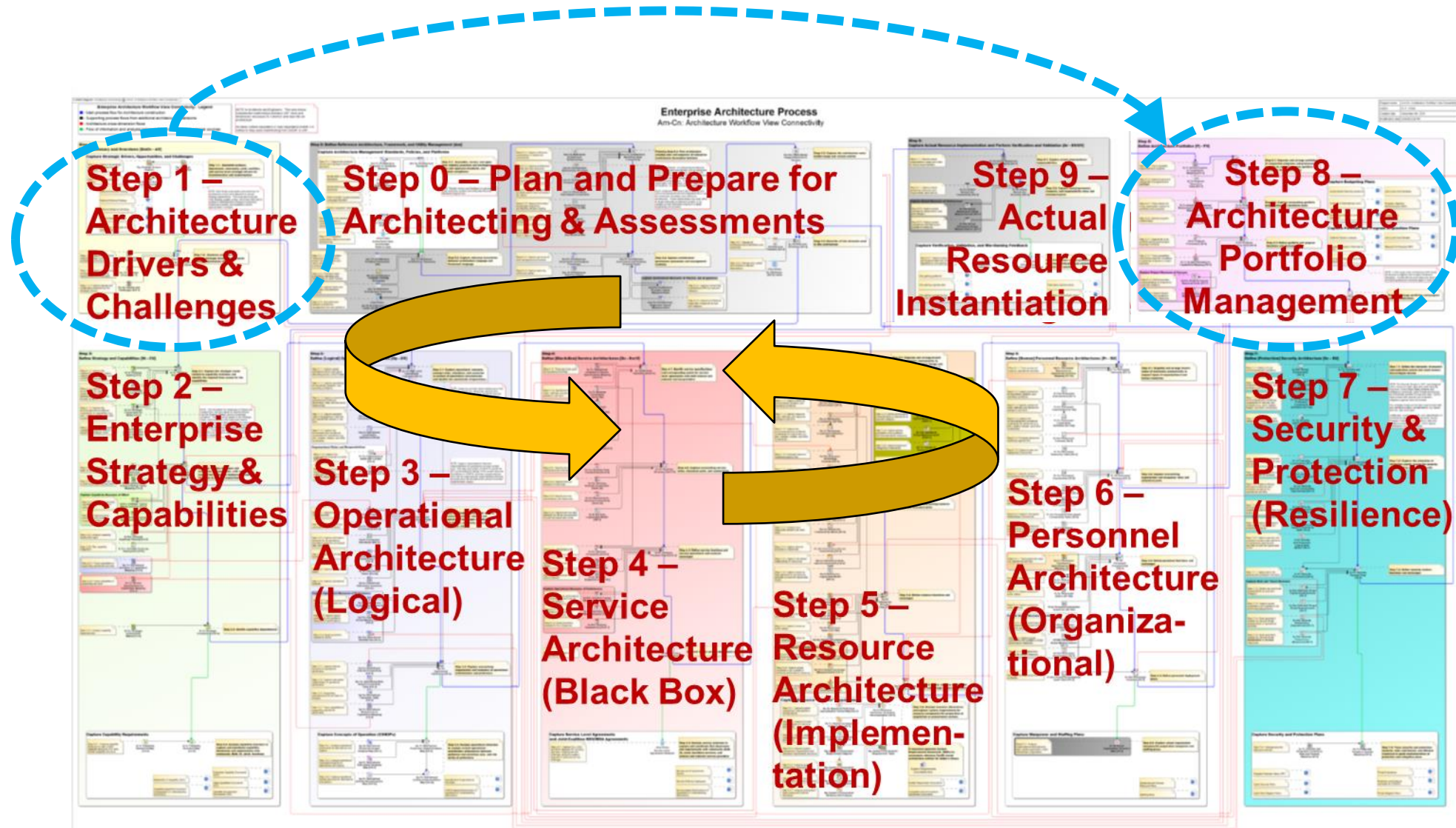


Improves coordination and synchronization among the many players involved in Portfolio Management effort



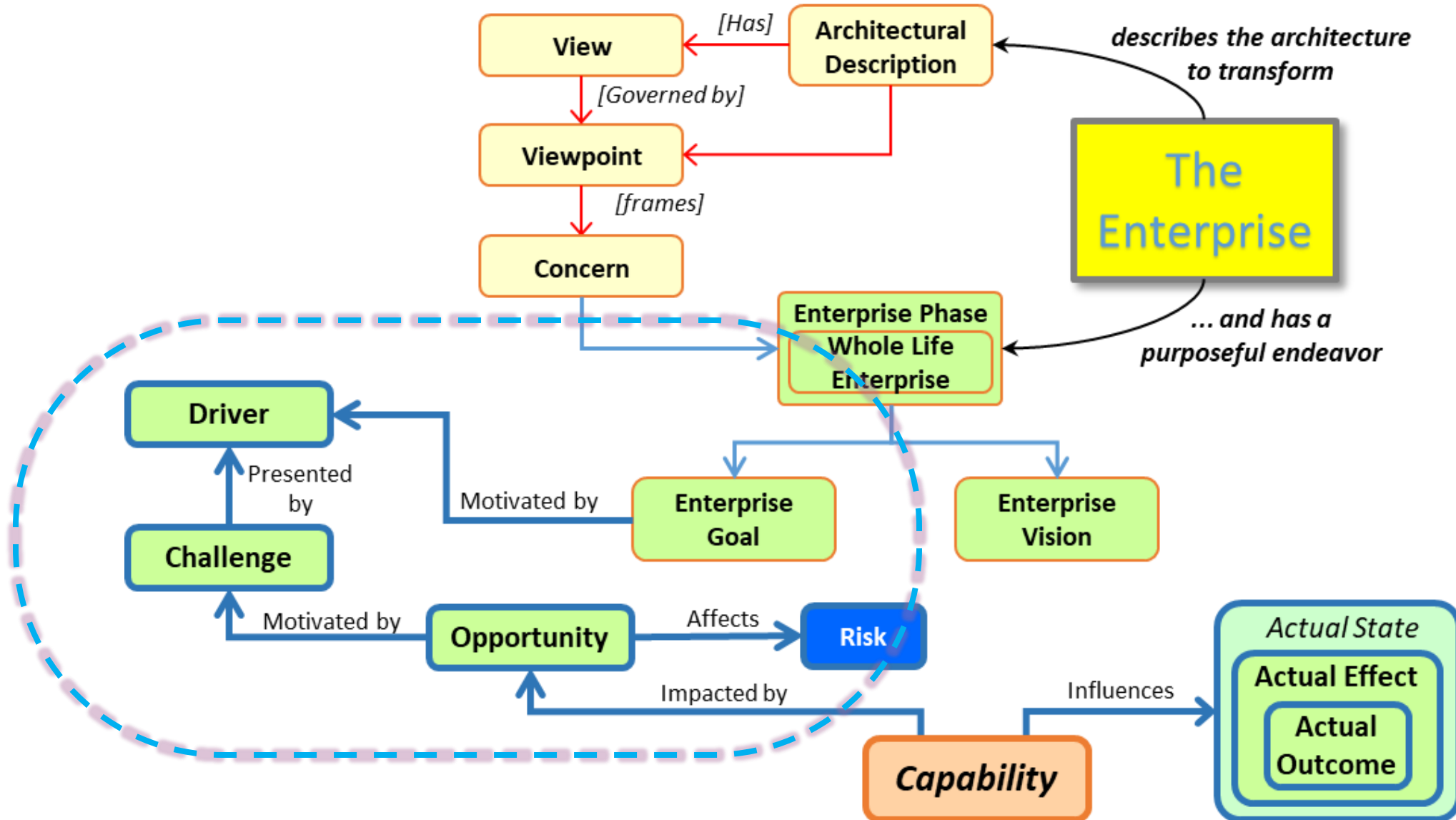
Changing the Portfolio in Response to New Drivers & Challenges

The Enterprise Architecture serves as the foundation for understanding impact of changes



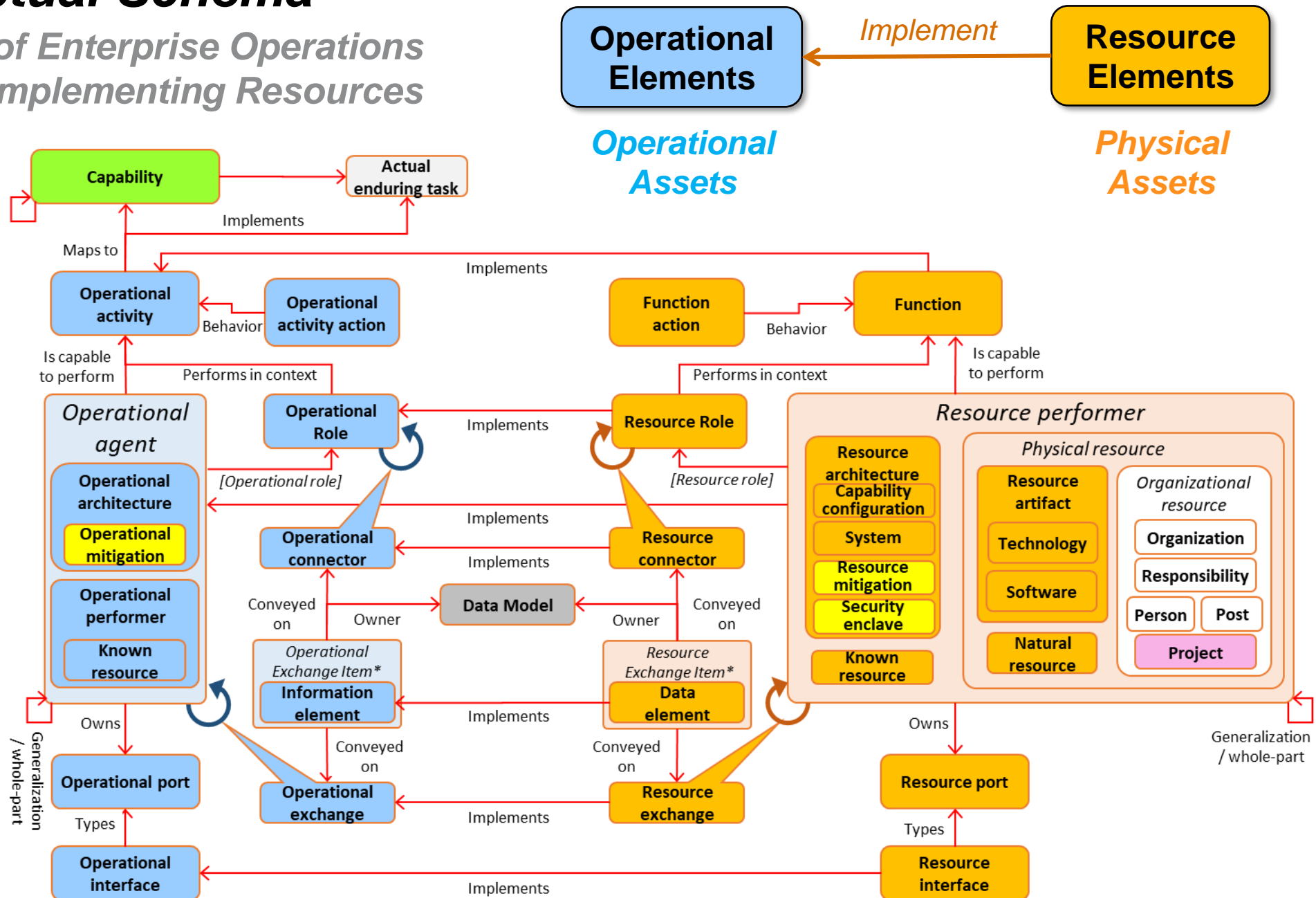
What should motivate the Enterprise to change?

Drivers & Challenges as the basis for identification of Opportunities to pursue...

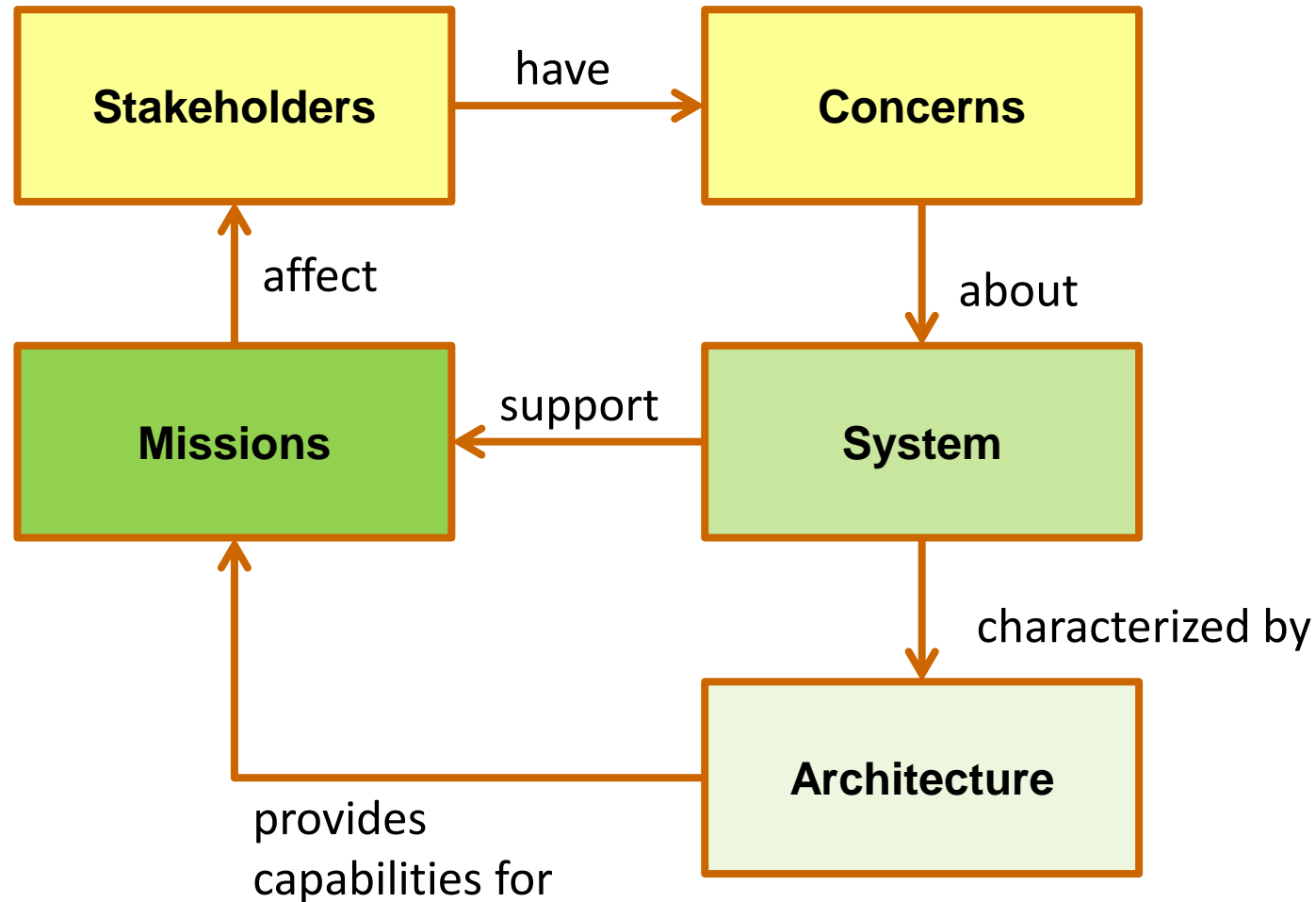


Conceptual Schema

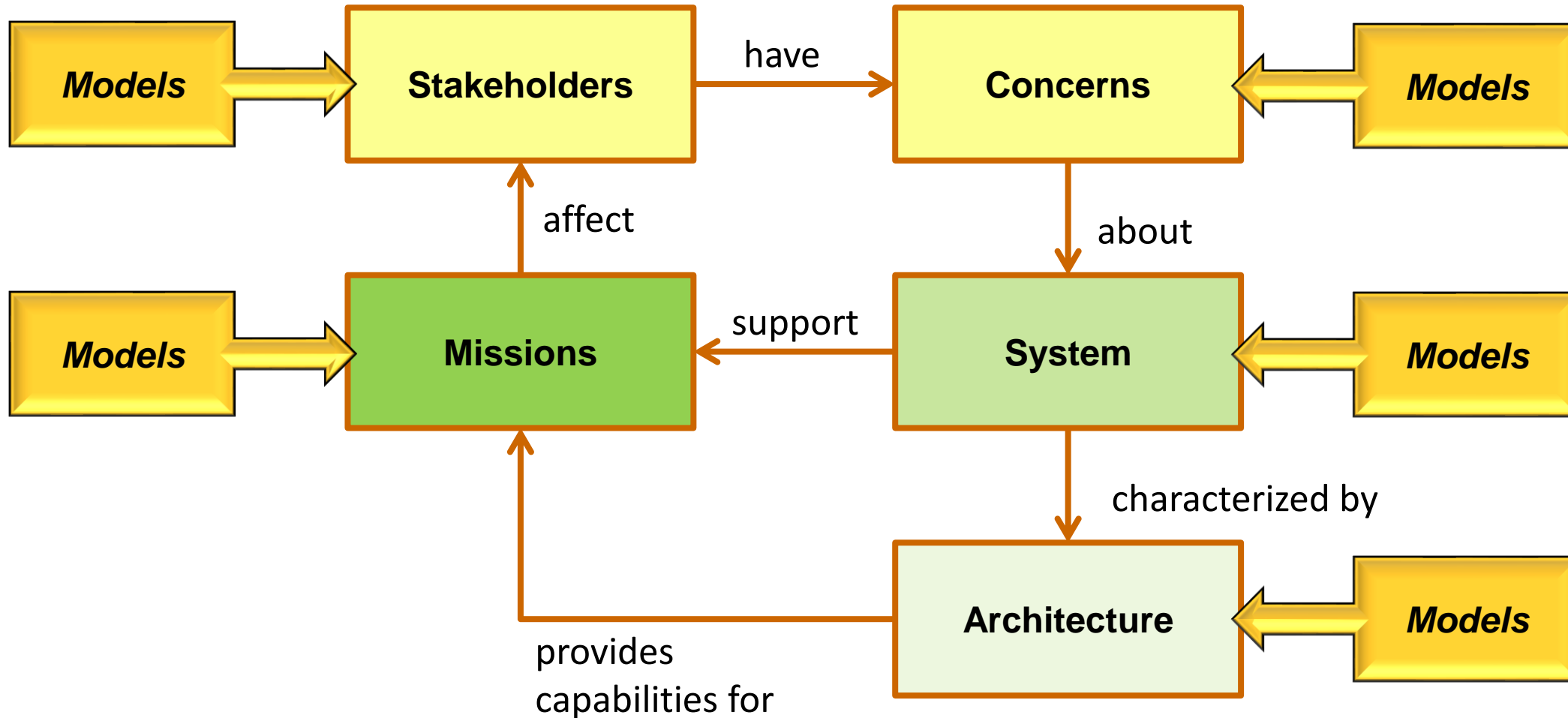
Modeling of Enterprise Operations and their Implementing Resources



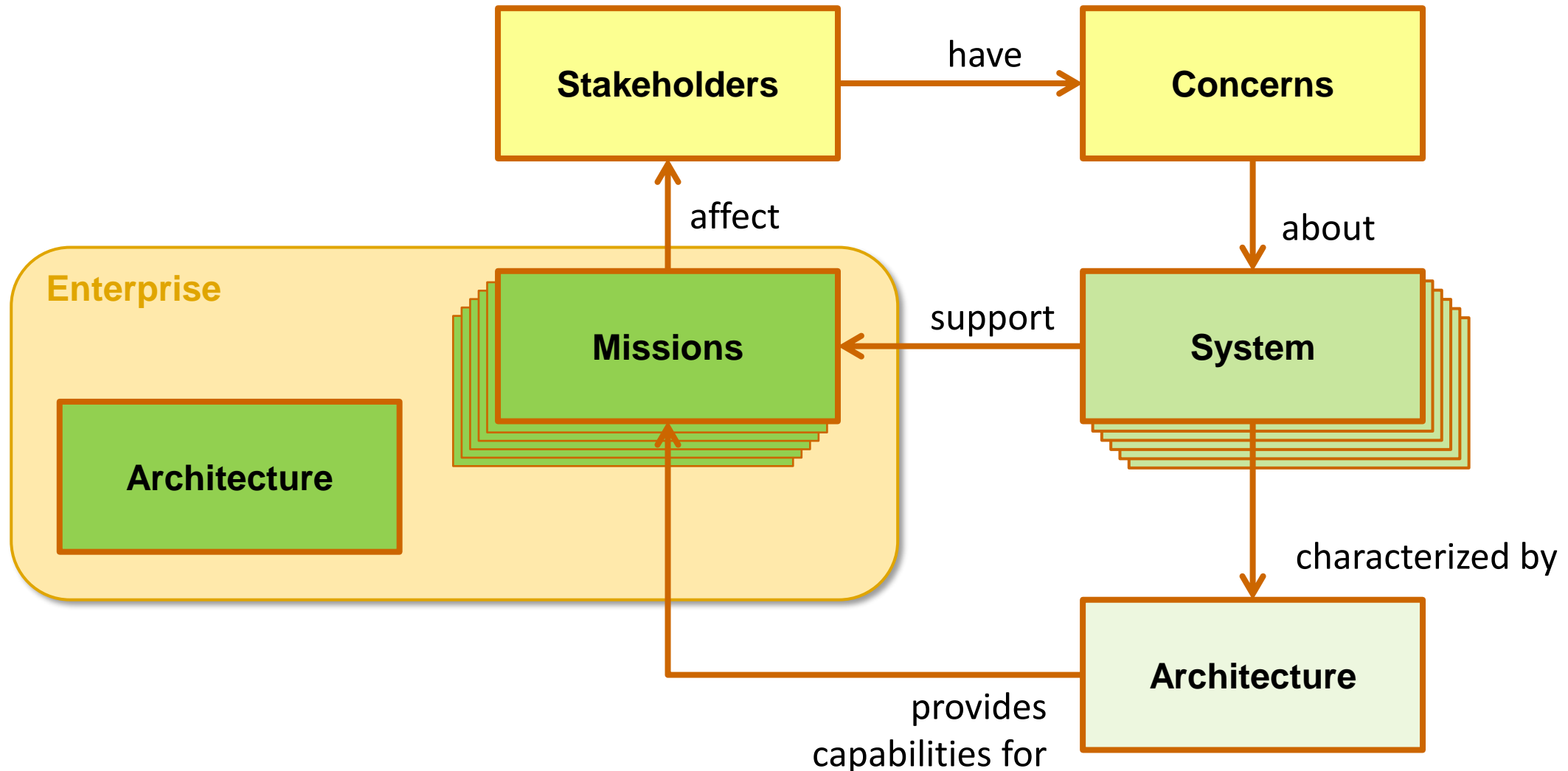
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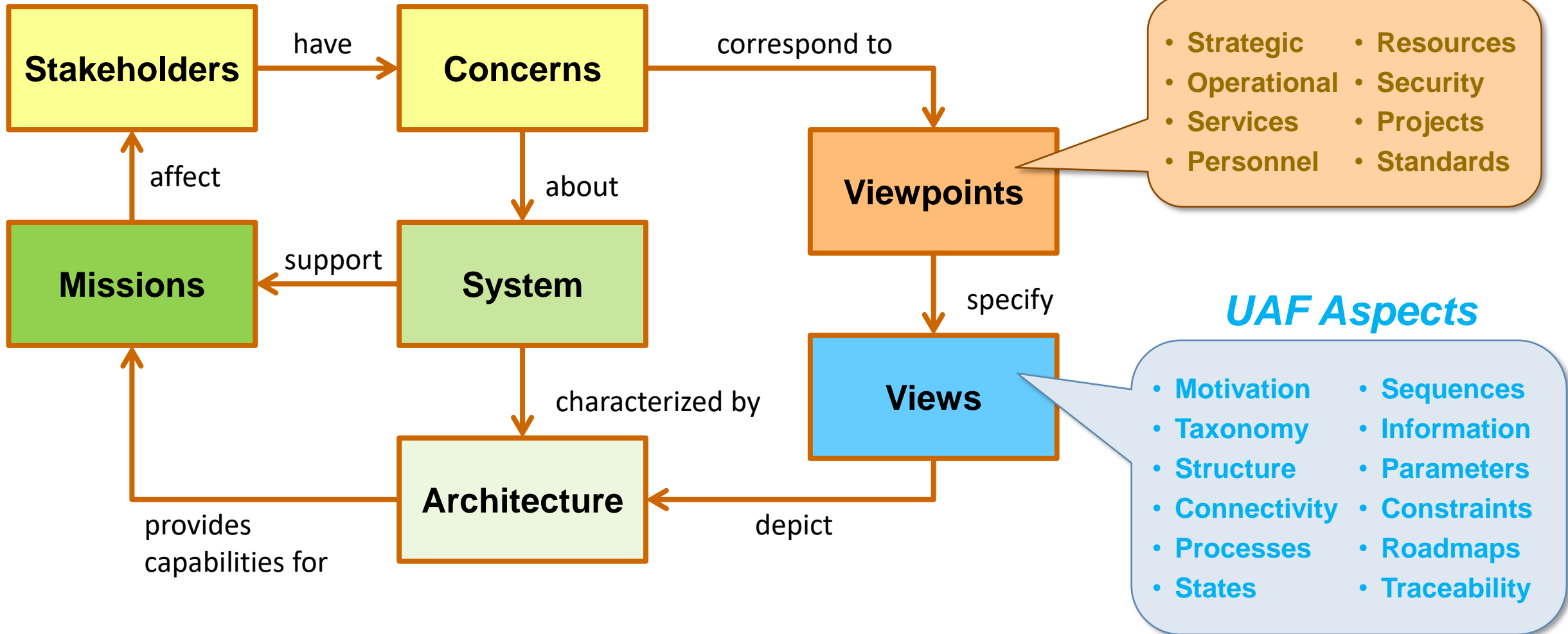
Models are created to represent the **System** and its **Architecture** & **Missions** along with relevant **Stakeholders** and their **Concerns**



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The UAF Standard Provides Stakeholder-Based **Viewpoints** & Aspect-Oriented **Views** to Characterize an Architecture



The Two-Dimensional UAF Grid

Architecture Aspects

Stakeholder Viewpoints

UAF ORGANIZED UNITED ARCHITECTURE FRAMEWORK	Motivation Mv	Taxonomy Tx	Structure Sr	Connectivity Cn	Processes Pr	States St	Sequences Sq	Information If	Parameters Pm	Constraints Ct	Roadmap Rm	Traceability Tr
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Operational Op	Requirements Rq-Mv	Operational Taxonomy Op-Tx	Operational Structure Op-Sr	Operational Connectivity Op-Cn	Operational Processes Op-Pr	Operational States Op-St		Operational Information Op-If	Environment En-Pm and Measurements Me-Pm and Risks Rk-Pm	Operational Constraints Op-Ct	-	Operational Traceability Op-Tr
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Processes Aspect of the Architecture Entity

Resources Viewpoint of Stakeholders

View Specification for the Resources Viewpoint & the Processes Aspect (Rs-Pr)

Capability Roadmap is Key for Identifying Gaps & Shortfalls



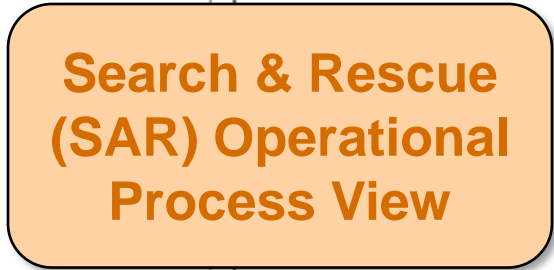
Table 7-1 Strategic Roadmap: Phasing
Capabilities Roadmap [St-Rm-Ph]

	2019												2020											
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Assistance																								
[no measurements]	Rescue Ship (SAR Project 1 Sustainment)																							
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**Search & Rescue (SAR)
Enterprise Architecture**

(from the UAF Sample Model)

Search & Rescue (SAR) Operational Process View

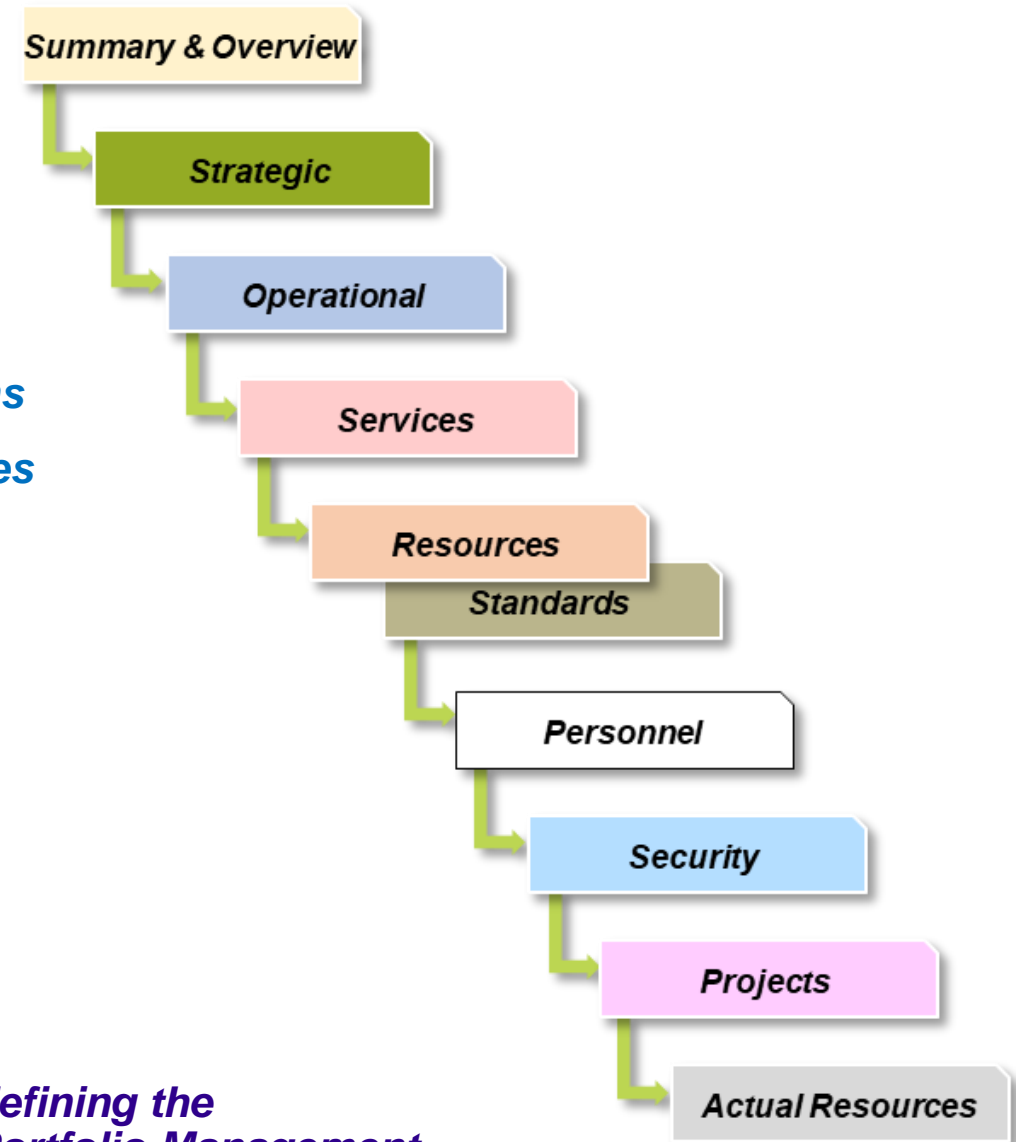


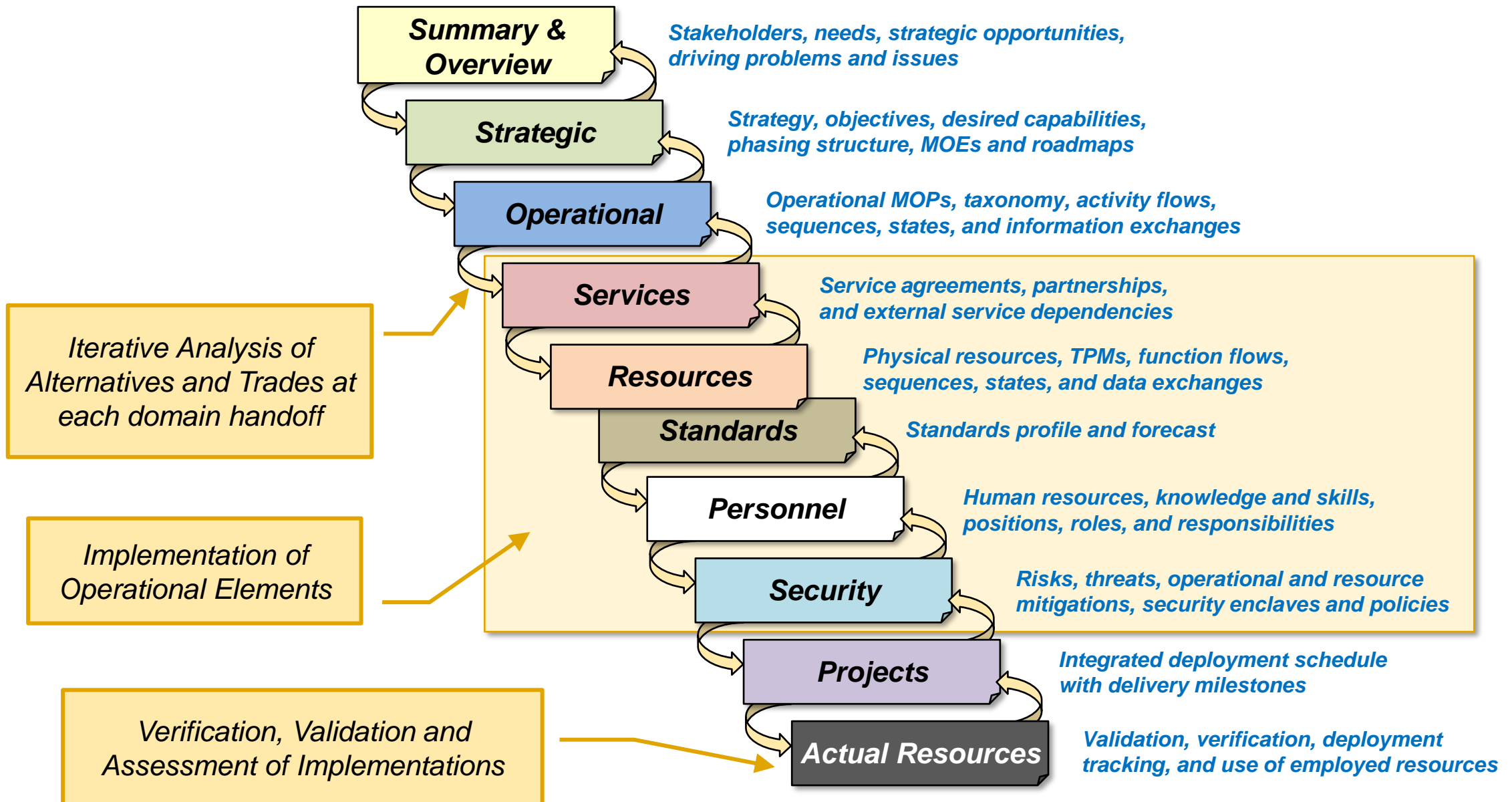
Progression from Architecture Drivers to Implementation and Deployment of Capabilities

The UAF modeling viewpoints facilitate a logical and systematic flow of architecting activities

- I. Concerns drive a strategic plan*
- II. The strategic plan deploys capabilities in phases addressing gaps and shortfalls*
- III. Capabilities are implemented by conceptual operations*
- IV. Concepts are implemented through services, resources and personnel*
- V. Resources comply with standards*
- VI. Risk and threats are mitigated through security & protection controls (of resources and operations)*
- VII. Requirements are understood and communicated*
- VIII. Plans deliver the resources*
- IX. Resources are verified*

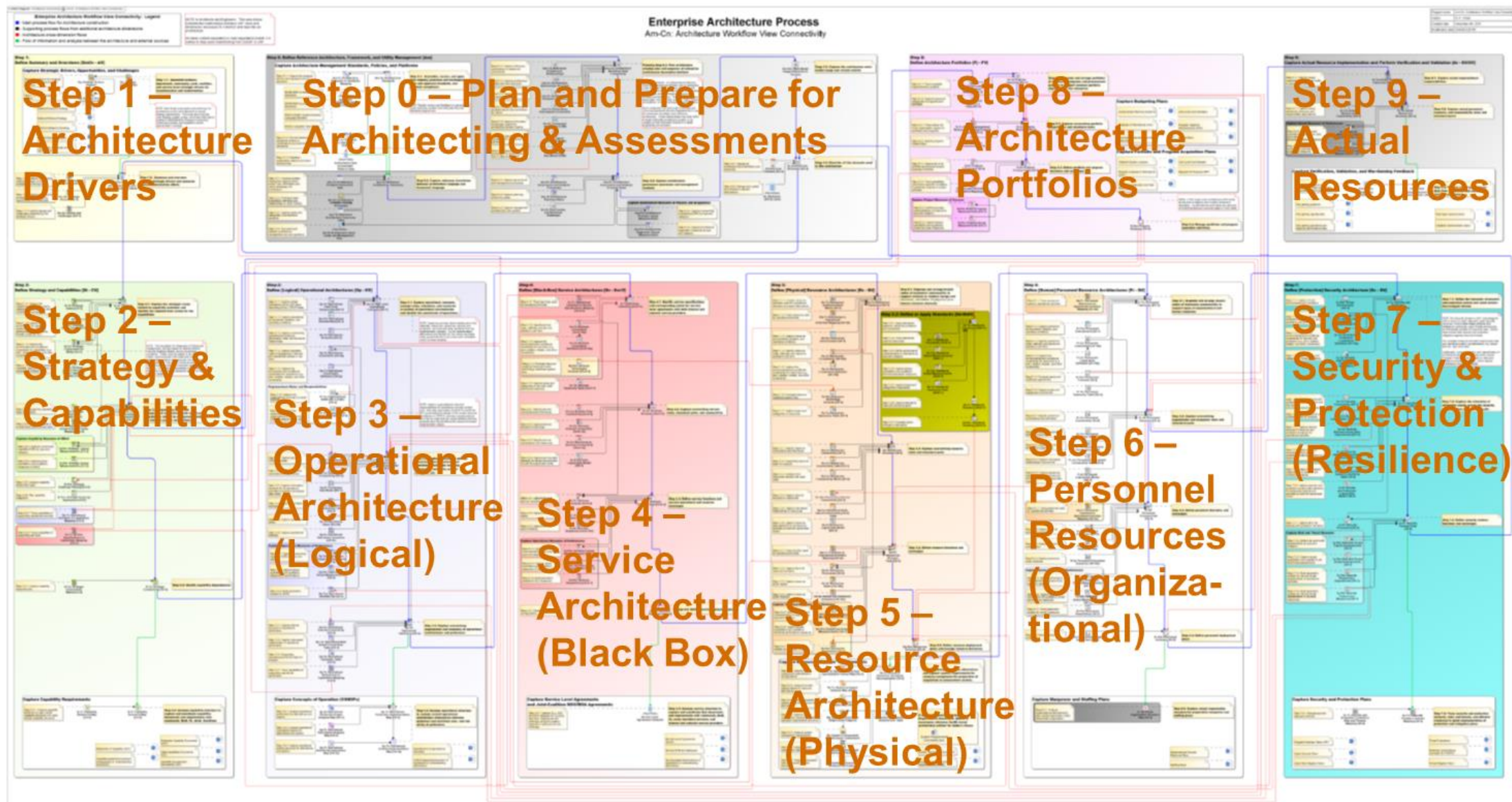
UAF provides a complete set of modeling domains as basis for defining the necessary architecture views of an Enterprise that can support Portfolio Management



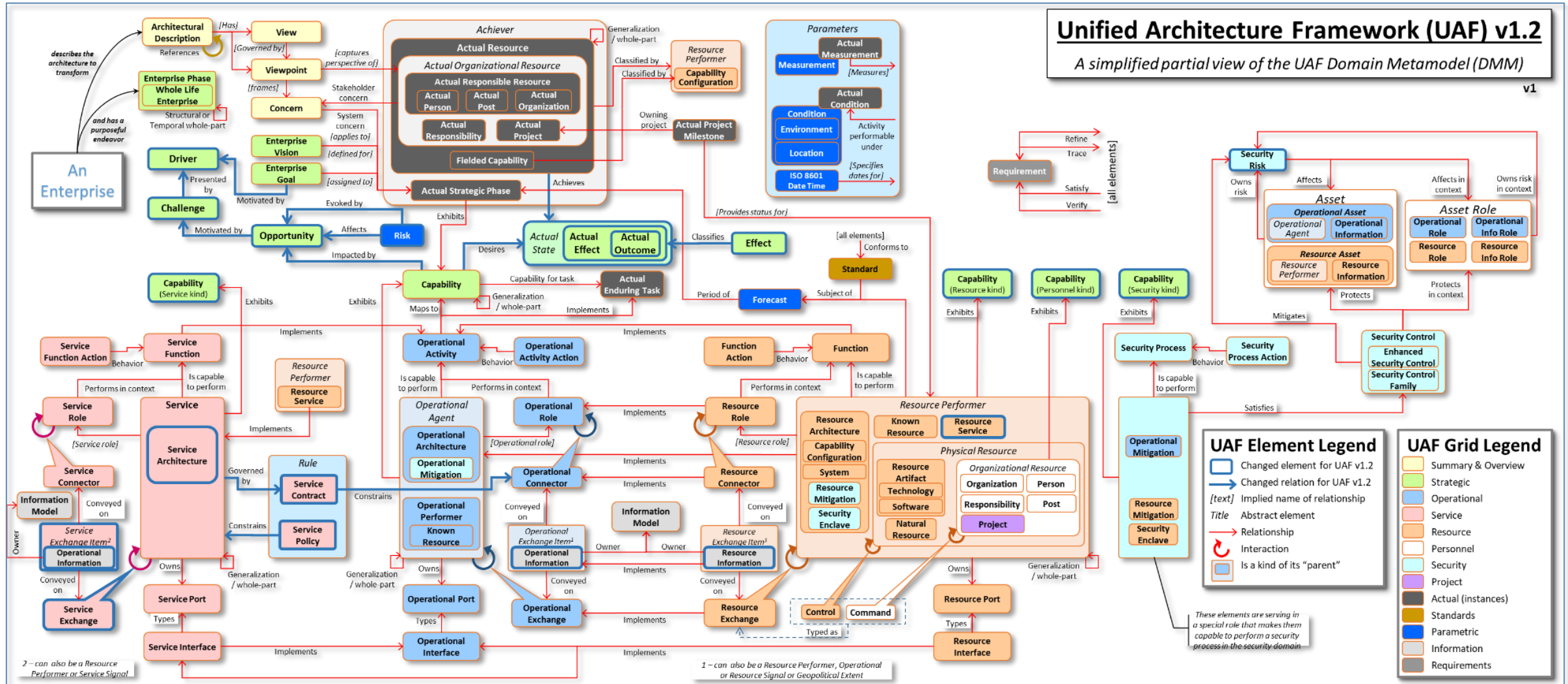


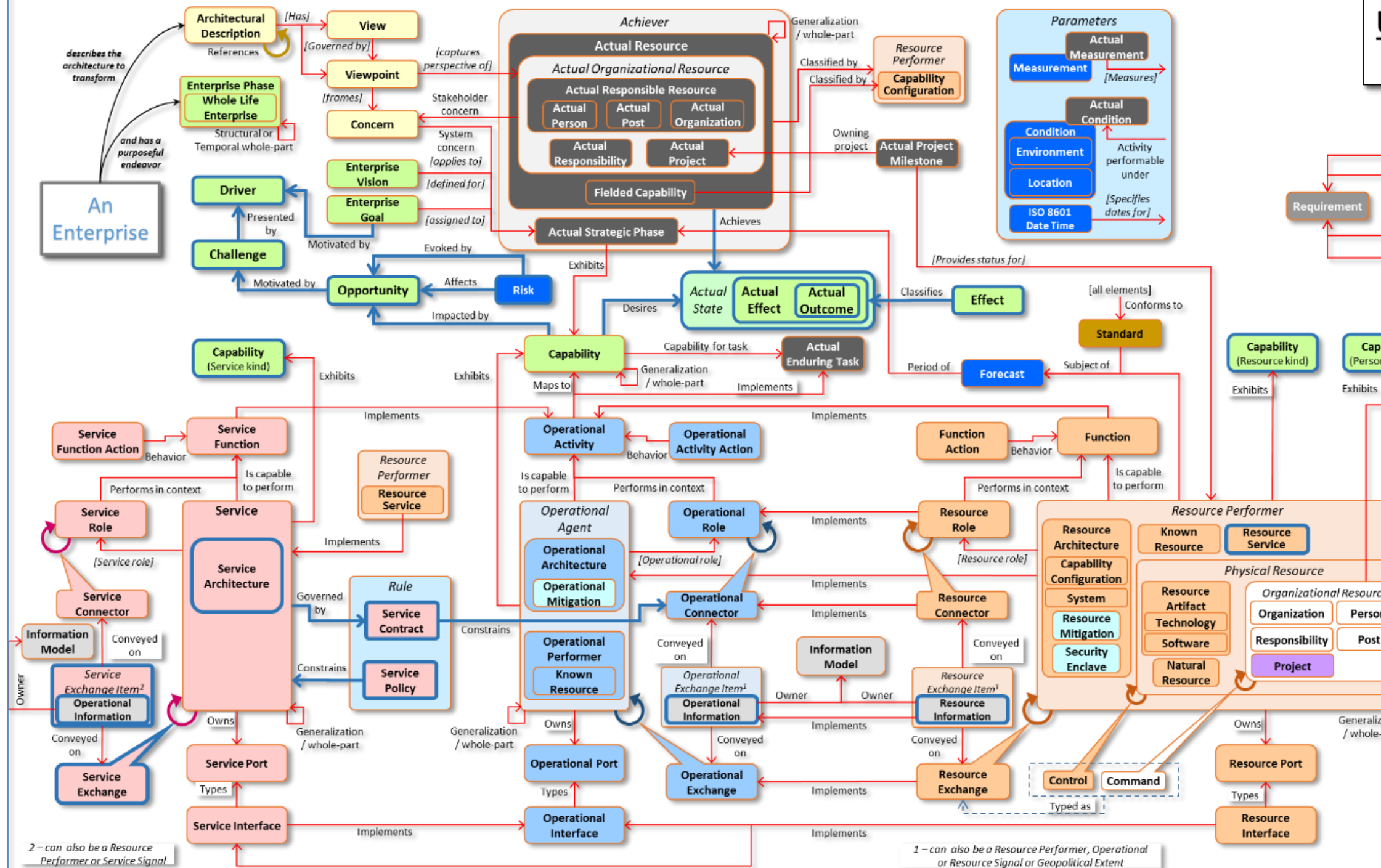
Enterprise Architecture Guide for UAF

Standardizing the Modeling Workflow



Enterprise Modeling Ontology





A simplified partial view of the UAF Domain Metamodel (DMM)

