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## **Changing Business and Software**

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## **Business is Changing**

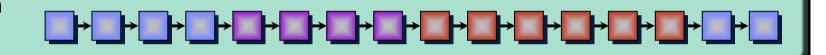
- Monolithic → distributed
- Tightly controlled → open
- Stable → constantly changing





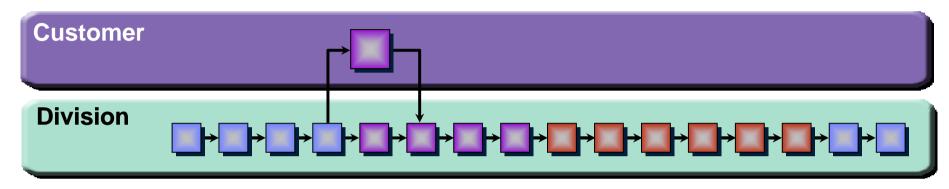
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**Division** 





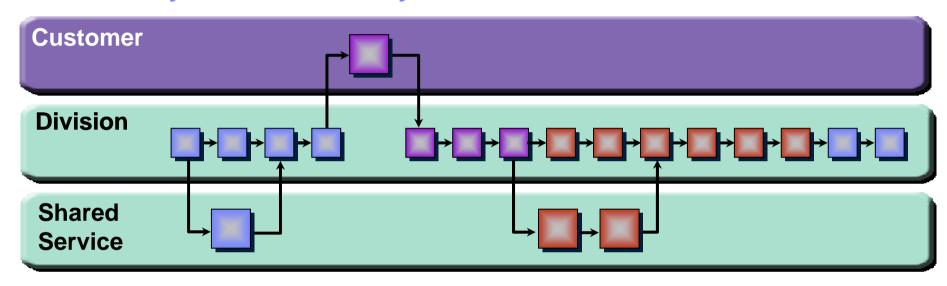
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Change: Customer Order Entry



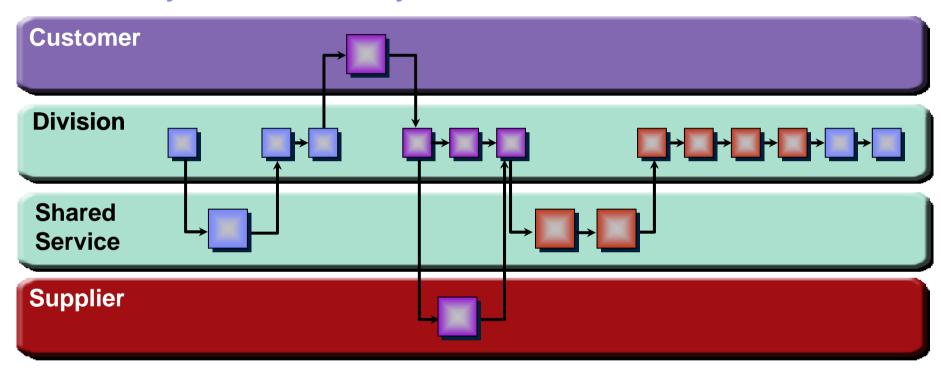
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Change: Shared Service - Marketing, Billing, Receivables



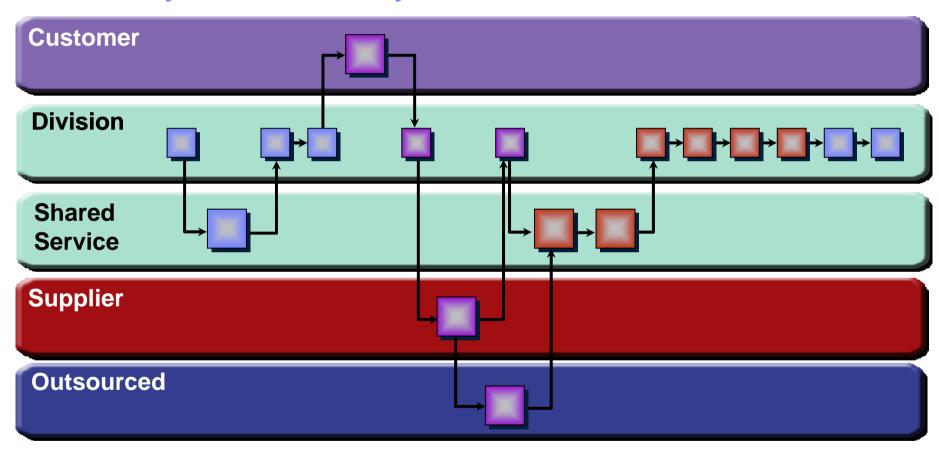
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Change: Supplier Handles Inventory



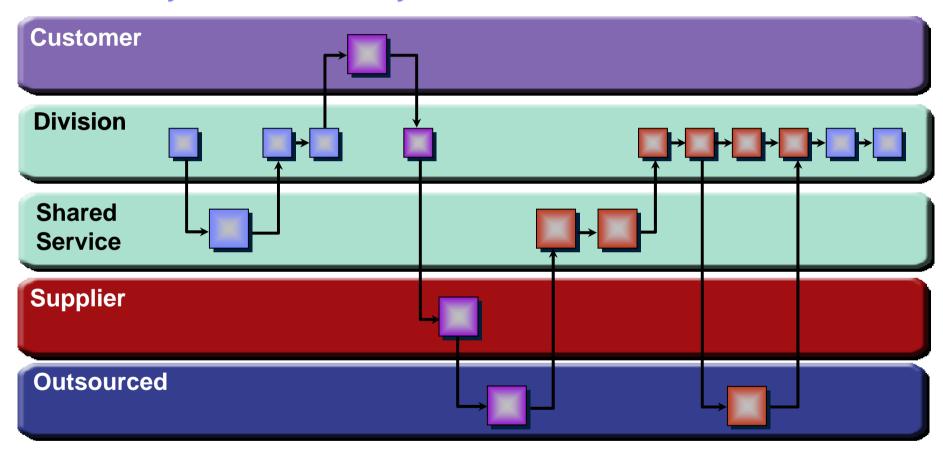
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Change: Shipping by FedEx, DHL or UPS



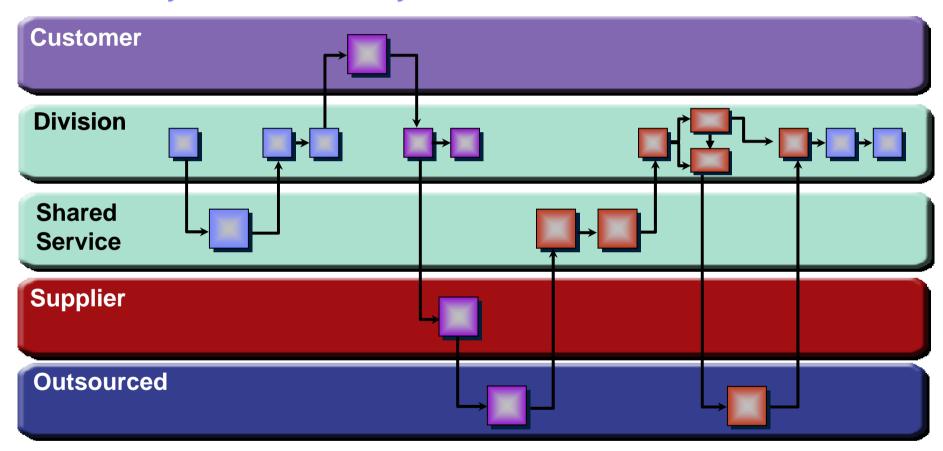
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Change: Collections Outsourced



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Change: Process Optimization



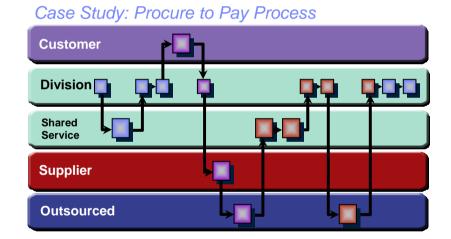
## Why is this Scenario Desirable?

- More pragmatic approach to re-engineering efforts
  - Incremental deployments
  - Tied to tangible business benefits
- Each function where it best meets business needs:
  - Within the organization
  - From a business partner
  - Completely outsourced
- Tune ongoing business without widespread disruption: optimize in isolation



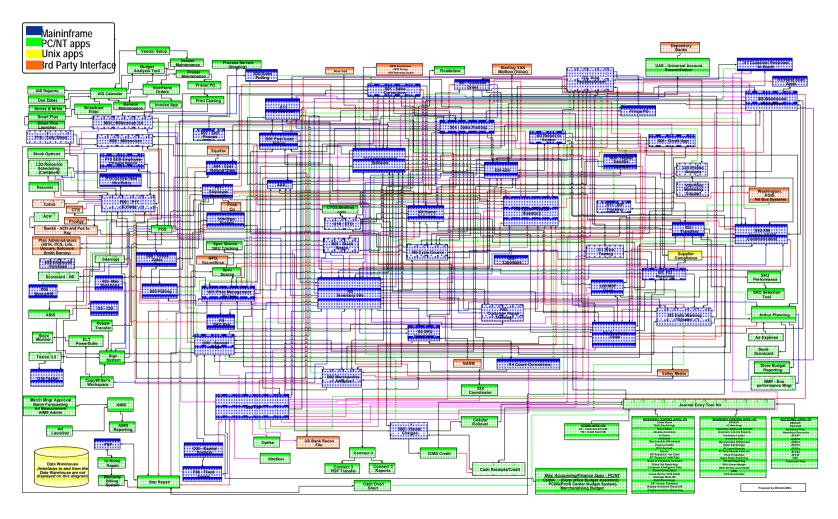
#### IT Architecture is a Choke Point for Business

- Monolithic systems and applications can't be reused
- Ad hoc integration is difficult to change/maintain
- Lack of standards limits interoperability
- Rigidity makes small improvements hard to justify





## **Complexity is Forcing Change**

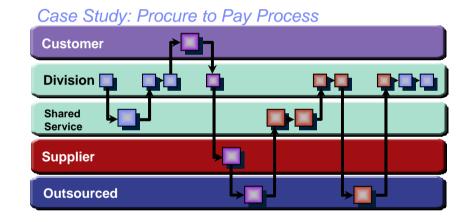


Actual Application Architecture for Consumer Electronics Company



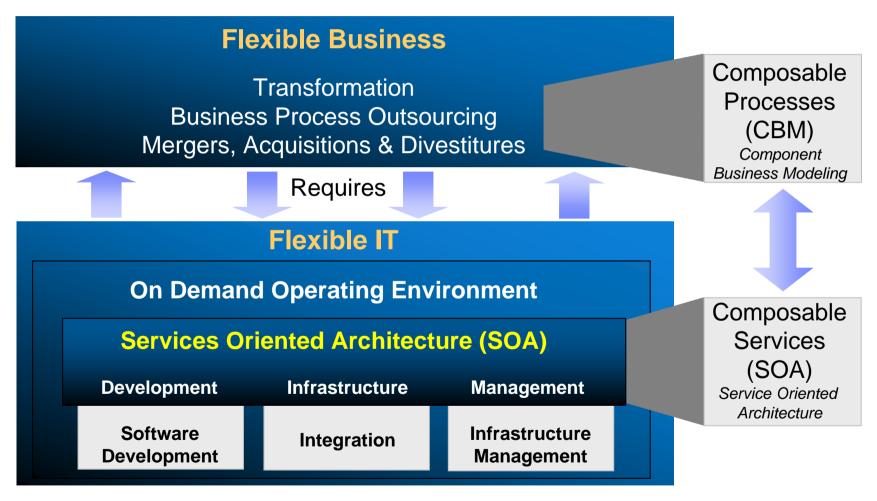
## But ... Technology Applied Correctly can Pave the Way for successful Business Innovation

- Standards (including open source) for interoperability
- Self-defined, loosely coupled interfaces
- Tools to visualize and integrate existing assets
- Model Driven Architecture (MDA)
- Declarative specifications and languages
- Compositional techniques like Aspect Oriented Programming





# Tying Business Models to the Supporting IT Architecture





## **Three Key Concepts**

- Component Business Modeling (CBM)
- Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)
- Model Driven Architecture (MDA)





## **Component Business Models Permit Change**



- Identify business transformation opportunities at the business process level
- Make new business process composable and flexible
- Model the business as components with defined services that the business provides or consumes
- Services are provided by IT systems, sourced from providers or supported manually

## **Business Components**

- Business performs activities
  - Ex: Rent vehicle
- Activities use resources
  - Ex: Rental car, parking spot, agent
- A business component is a set of activities and resources
  - Ex: Rental location owns cars and rents and checks in cars
  - It is a virtual business unit that can operate independently



## **Dependencies among Components**

- Activities depend on other dependencies
  - Resource usage
  - Control and information flows
- Goal: restrict dependencies among components
  - Regroup activities and resources
  - Channel them through services



#### **Services**

- A service is an explicit interface with no "back doors"
- Service has a defined contract
  - Inputs and outputs
  - Interaction protocol
  - Performance
- Components linked by services are substitutable



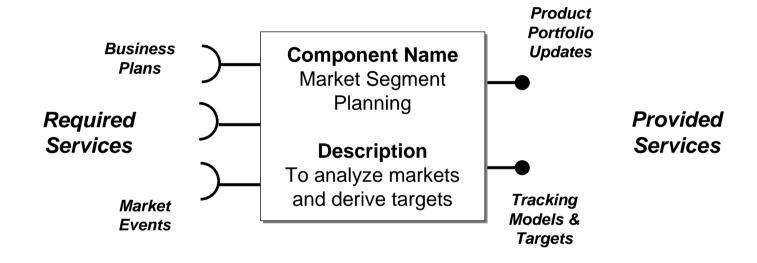
## A Business Component Map is a tabular view of the business components in scope.

	Business Administration	New Business Development	Relationship Management	Servicing and Sales	Product Fulfillment	Financial Control and Accounting
Directing	Business Planning	Sector Planning	Account Planning	Sales Planning	Fulfillment Planning	Portfolio Planning
Controlling	Business Unit Tracking	Sector Management	Relationship Management	Sales Management	Fulfillment Planning	Compliance Reconciliation
	Staff Appraisals	Product Management	Credit Assessment			
Executing	Staff Administration	Product Directory	Credit Administration	Sales	Product Fulfillment	Customer Accounts
	Product Administration	Marketing Campaigns		Customer Dialog Contact Routing	Document Management	General Ledger



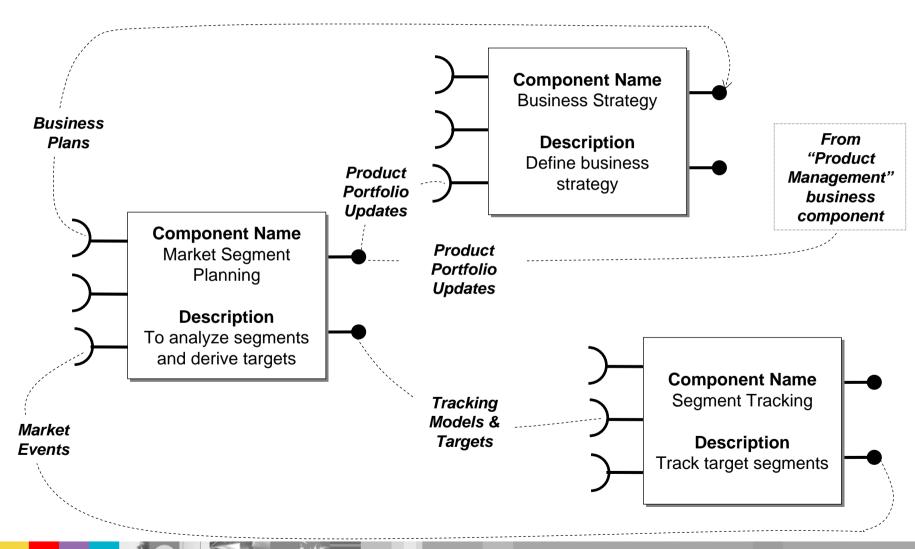


## A Business Component offers services to other components





## Business components use each other's services.





## **Building an Architecture**

CBM Strategy

Service *Modeling* 

SOA Realization

#### Step 1: Break down your business into components

- Decide what is strategically important
- Prioritize and scope your transformation projects

#### Step 2: Define a Service Model

- Identify services based on business components
- Make decisions based on architectural criteria

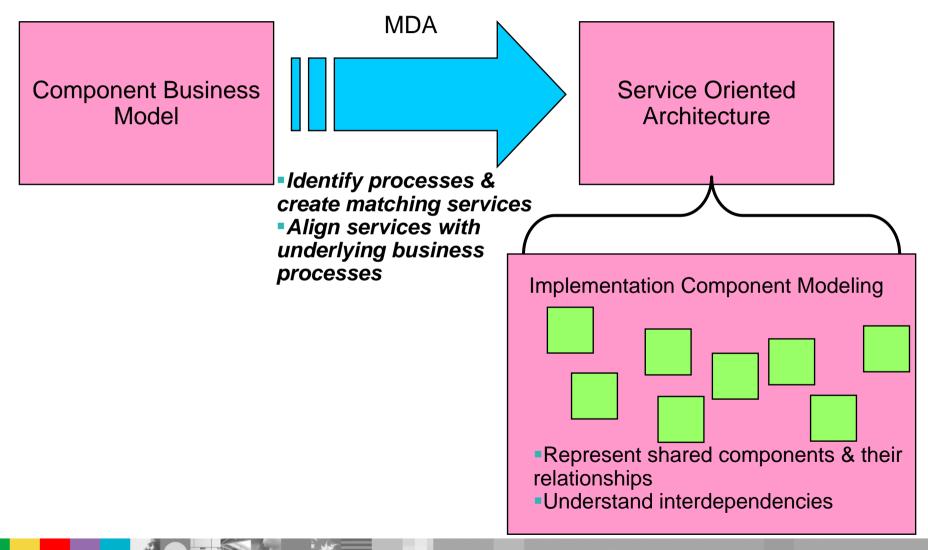
#### Step 3: Implement a Service Architecture

 Develop a service-oriented architecture to support the componentized business

**Business-Aligned IT Architecture** 



## **Component Models & SOA**





## **Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)**

- Flexible connectivity:
  - Represent application or resource as a service with a standardized interface
  - Enable exchange of structured information (messages, documents, 'business objects')
  - Mediate message exchange through a connectivity layer (enterprise service bus)
  - Provide on-ramps to the bus for legacy application environments
- Combines new and existing applications to address changing business needs
- Facilitates the management of business performance, quality of service, and dynamic monitoring

## **SOA Defining Concepts**

Universal Connectivity: Integrates most diverse environments, bridging protocols, languages, platforms, APIs and messaging paradigms – providing scale and scope of integration required by today's extended enterprise

**Service Orientation:** 

Facilitates loose coupling between software

components

**Event Orientation:** 

Decouples applications that publish business events from subscribing applications

**Incremental Integration: Start** small and plug in capability to enrich your implementation as needs dictate

Flexibility:

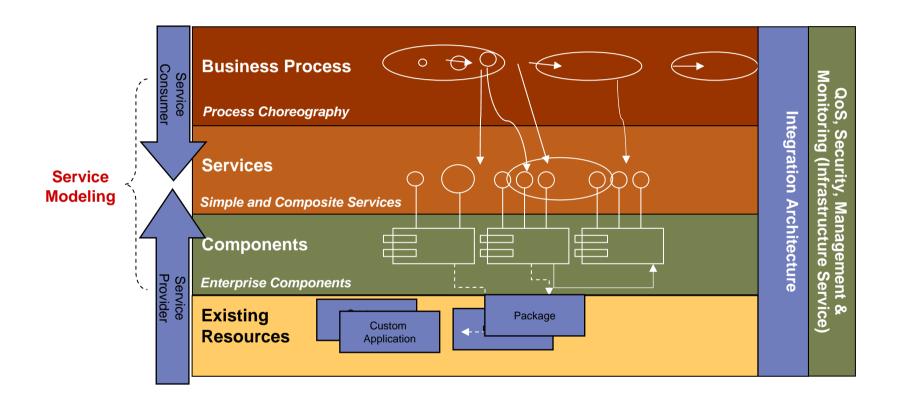
A variety of options for persistence, reliability, security, availability... Deploy where required, manage centrally

#### **Open, standards-based:**

Open APIs and protocols support the interoperability and substitution of middleware from multiple vendors



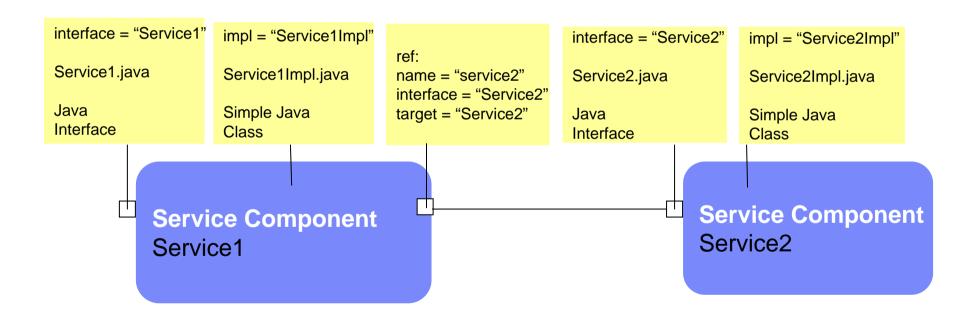
## A SOA has Multiple Layers





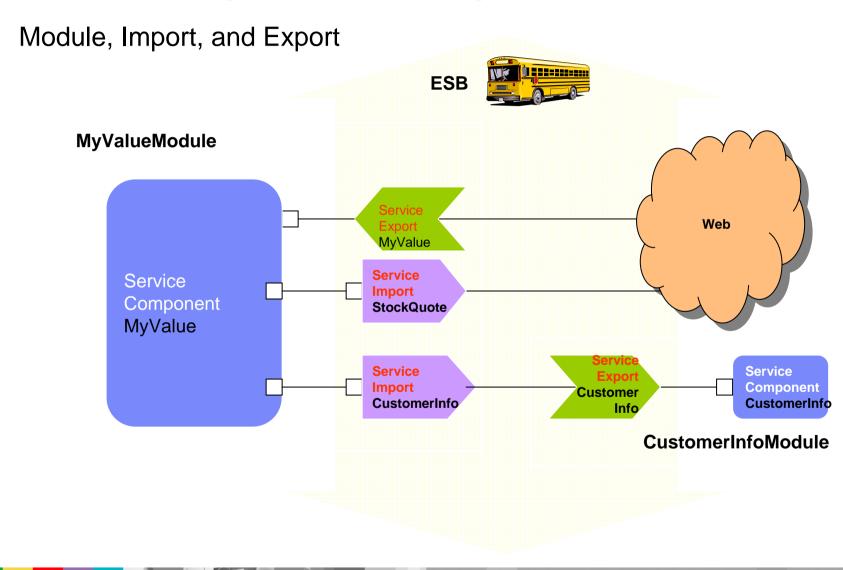
## **Service Component Conceptual Model**

Component, Interface, Implementation, Reference and Wire





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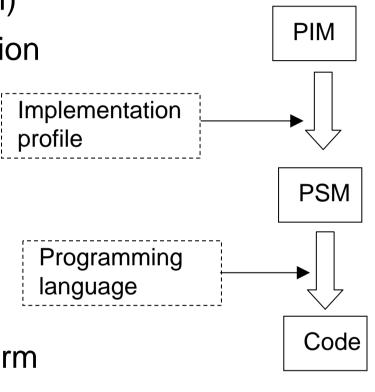
## **Model Driven Architecture (MDA)**

- Build high-level models
  - Expressed in domain concepts
- Generate platform-specific code
  - Into specified architectures
- Using automated tools
  - Based on standards



## **MDA Approach**

- Platform Independent Model (PIM)
  - Captures logic of the application
- Implementation profile
  - Platform
  - Technology decisions
- Platform Specific Models (PSM)
  - Target multiple platforms
  - Translator incorporates platform knowledge





## **MDA** Requires

- Problem domain models
  - UML or domain-specific language (DSL)
- Architecture frameworks
  - Make assumptions about infrastructure
  - Use them to remove details from models
- Automated tools
  - Modeling tools
  - Translators



#### **Problem Domain Models**

- Syntax and semantics for a particular purpose
  - Capture business-level content
  - More intuitive syntax
- Reduce mindless repetition
  - Predefined control and data patterns
  - Eliminate repetitious control specification
- Two approaches:
  - UML Profile
  - Domain specific language (DSL)



#### **Architecture**

- Decomposition into subsystems
- Topology
- Interaction rules
- Data formats
- Resource management
- Hooks for future extensions
- Scaffolding for testing

#### **Architecture Framework**

- Framework = reusable architecture pattern
- Includes:
  - Skeleton execution environment
  - Predefined subsystems and topology
  - Interaction and data rules, formats, interfaces
  - Attachment points for plug-ins
  - Component libraries of useful functionality
  - Sample applications
- Integrated development environments (IDE)
  - ▶ Eclipse, .NET, J2EE



## **Framework Advantages**

- Enable domain specific languages (DSL) to optimize repeated patterns
- Ensure consistency
- Excellent for incremental design
- Enforce design trade-offs
- Supports static and dynamic analysis

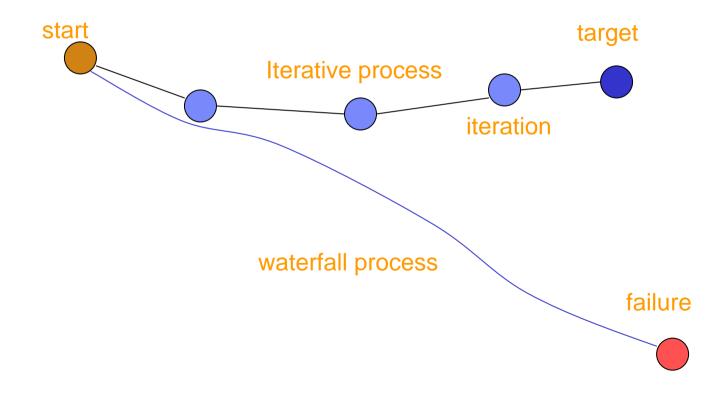


#### **Automated Tools**

- Modeling tools
  - Organize large models
  - Check correctness
  - Enable teamwork
- Translators
  - Apply patterns
  - Generate repetitious code
  - Key to MDA



## **Iterative Development**





#### **Iteration**

- Common baseline
  - No divergent versions or schedules
- Specific goals
  - Set priorities by adjusting goals
- Specific deadline
  - All iterations about the same length
- At the end of an iteration:
  - Check in everything
  - Build an executable system
  - Test and examine it
  - Reevaluate priorities



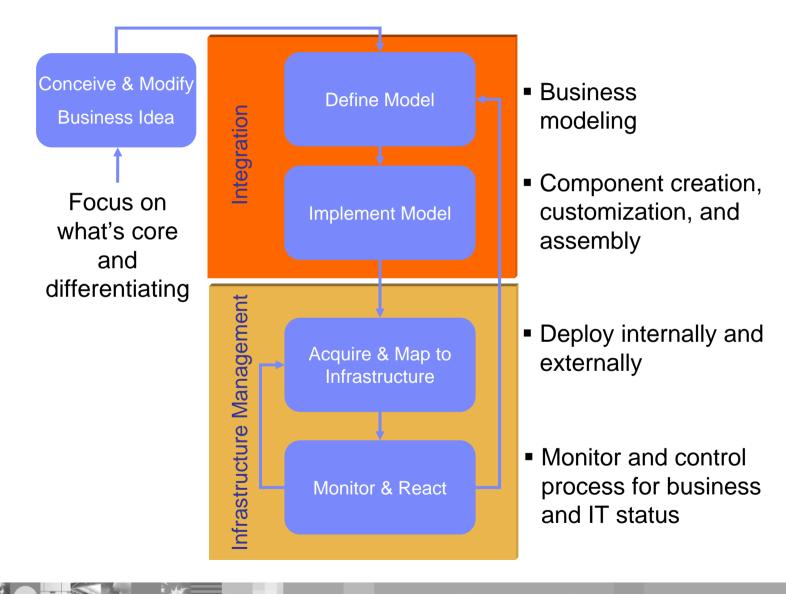
## **Iterative Development Process**

- Series of iterations allows mid-course corrections
- Executable releases permit constant evaluation
- Attacking problems early reduces risk





## Life Cycle of an On Demand Business Service





## **Summary**

- Business is becoming distributed
  - Component Business Model
- IT architecture must support business models
  - Service Oriented Architecture
- Need to automate business-to-architecture mapping
  - Model Driven Architecture
- Must avoid monolithic development
  - Iterative development process