

DMTF Application Modeling and Extensions for Behavior

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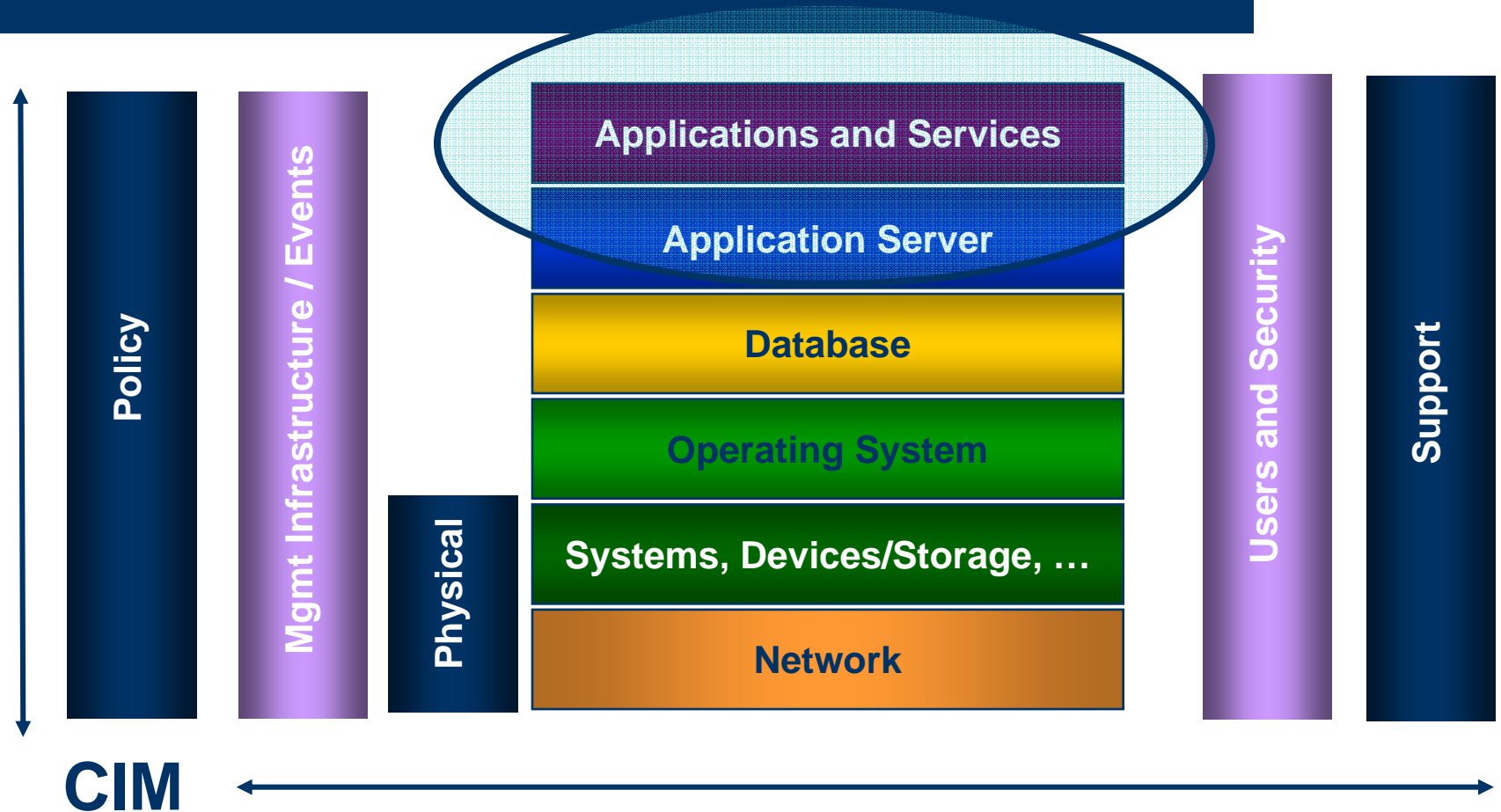
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Subjects

- Overview of DMTF / Open Group work in Applications Management
- New Work, Modeling Behavior and State Management in DMTF

CIM's Coverage



Application Management Modeling Overview

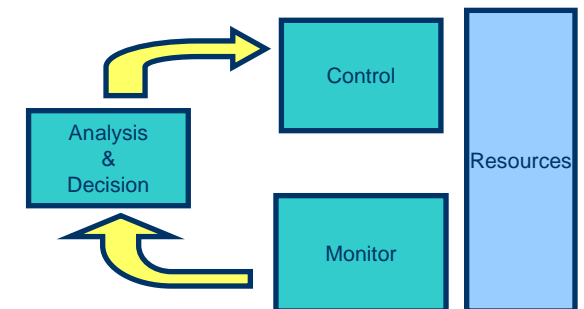
- Characteristics of an Application Management Model
 - Lifecycle management
 - Definition, Deployment, Installation, Configuration, Execution Control
 - Runtime management
 - Performance management, Service Level (QOS) management
Problem Management, fault analysis, etc.
 - Inventory Management
 - ...
- Contributing Management Information to the next Higher layer
 - Business Process Management
 - Service Level Management

Goals

- Management of wide range of applications
 - Distributed
 - Dynamic
 - Multicomponent
 - Large-scale
- Active management of applications as services
 - Not just Monitoring
 - Active, adaptive management

Model Components that Come Together for Application Management

- **Managing The Application**
 - Lifecycle (Deployment, Installation, Configuration, Execute)
 - Runtime (modeling the runtime structure, managing performance, Service Levels, fault determinations, ...)
- **Measuring Application Traffic Flow**
 - Metrics, Unit of Work (UOW), ARM API
- **Automation**
 - From monitoring to management
 - From management to adaptive management (service optimization)
 - Policy
 - Service Levels, Quality of Service

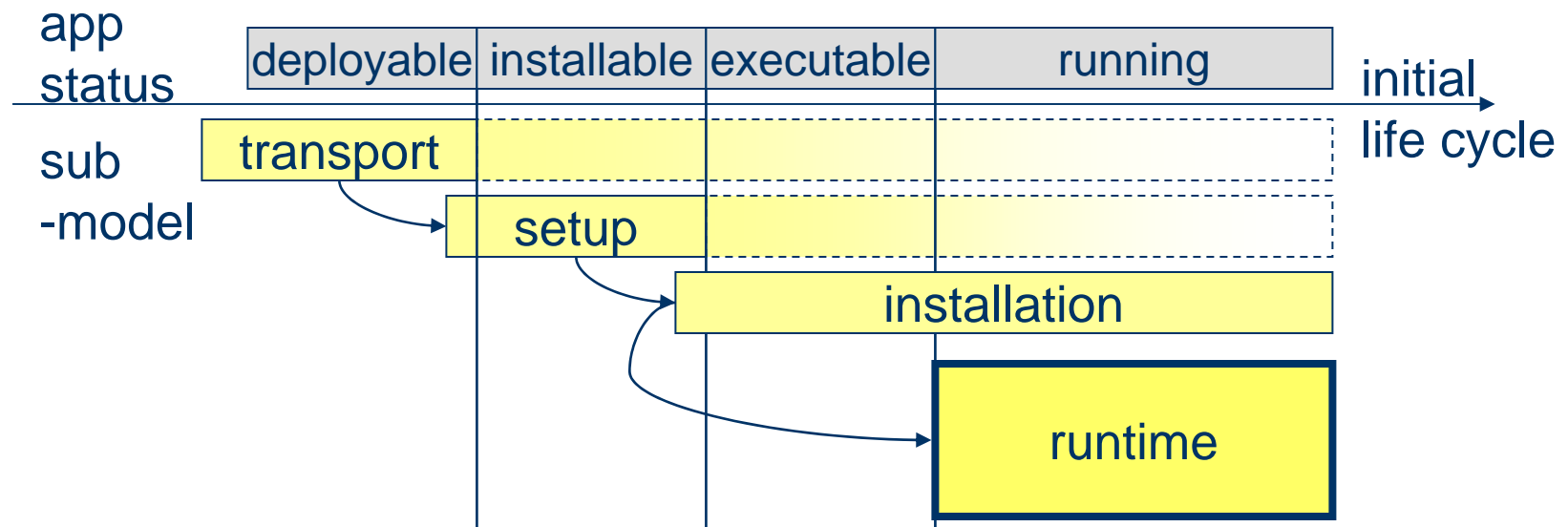


The Applicable DMTF Groups

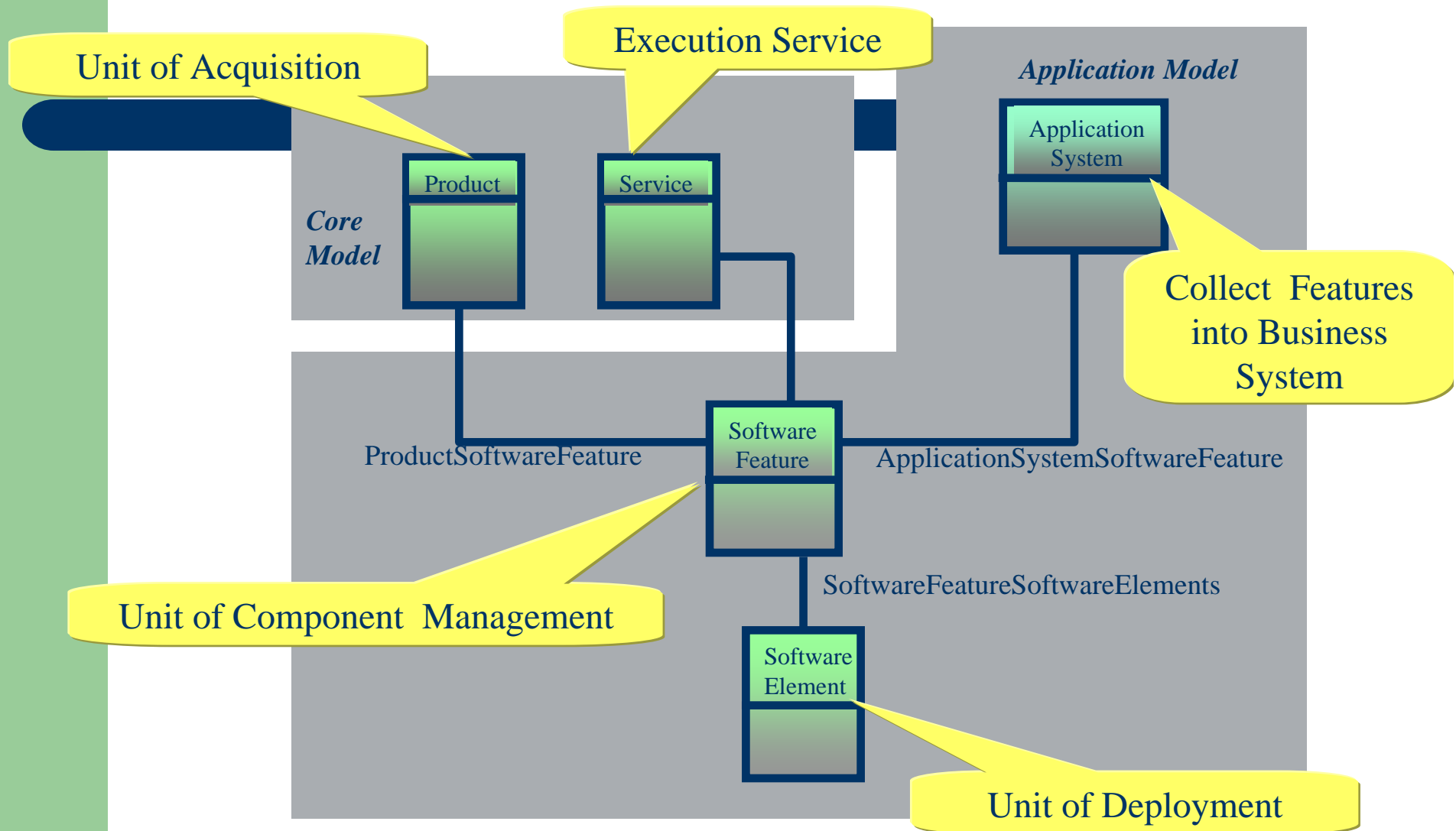
- Application Work Group
 - Runtime Model
 - Lifecycle Model
 - J2EE JSR 77 Model
 - Metrics
 - Unit of Work
- Database Work Group
 - Database model
- Policy and SLA Work Group
 - Policies

Application Management

- Lifecycle Model
- Runtime Model

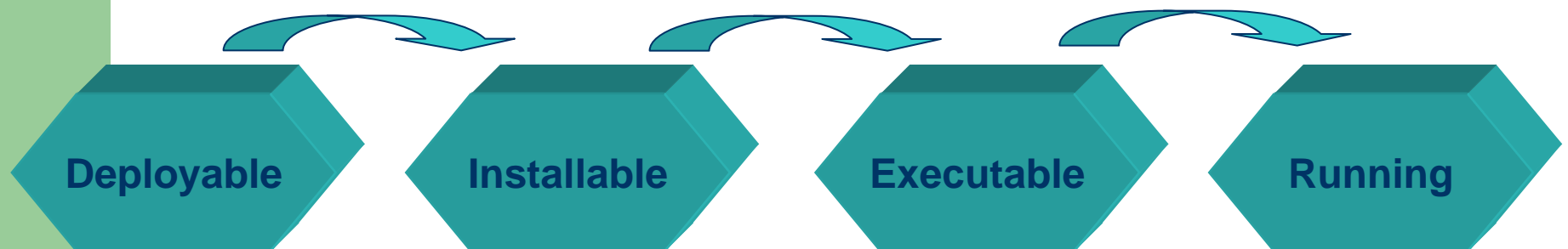


Lifecycle Model Overview

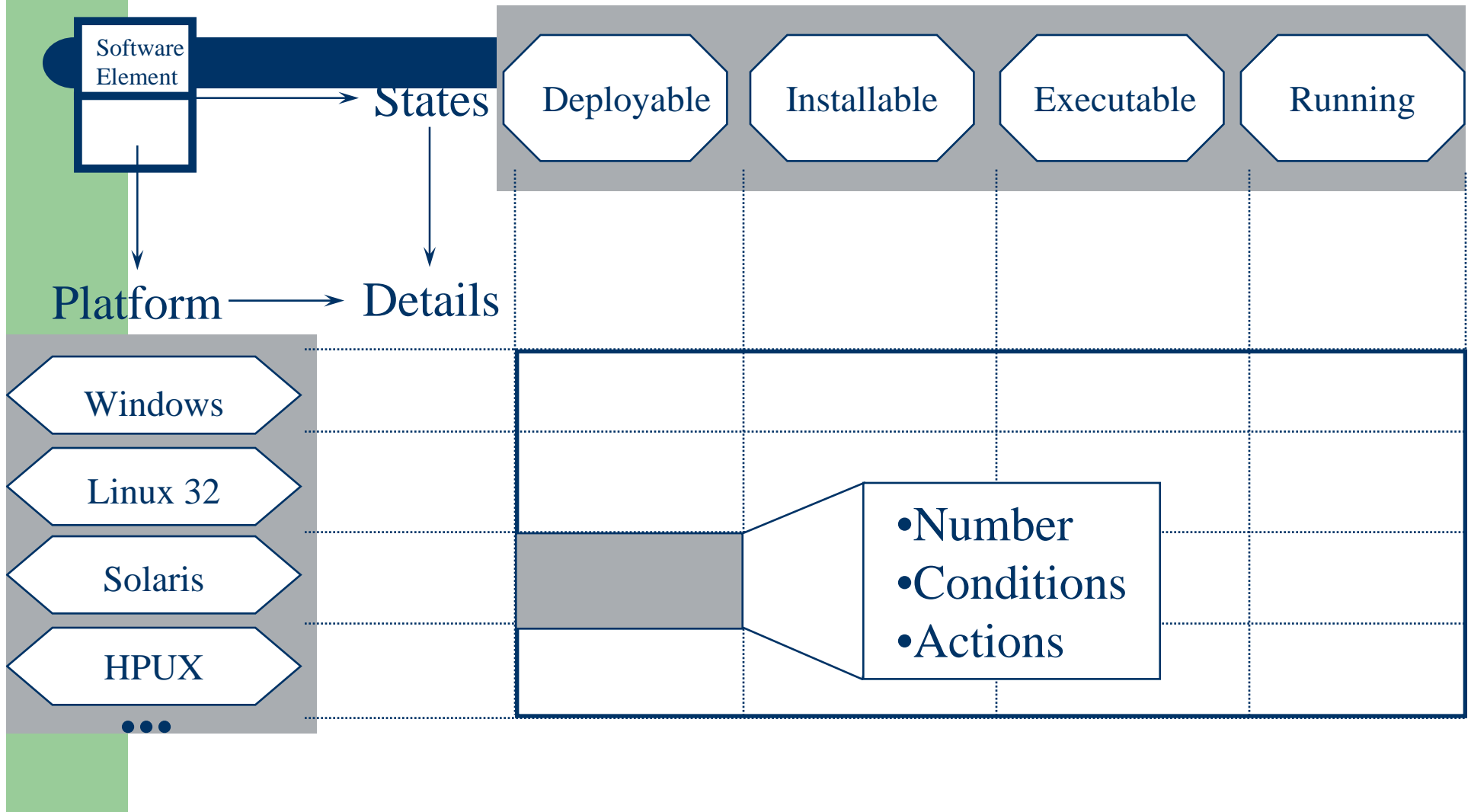


Application Life Cycle

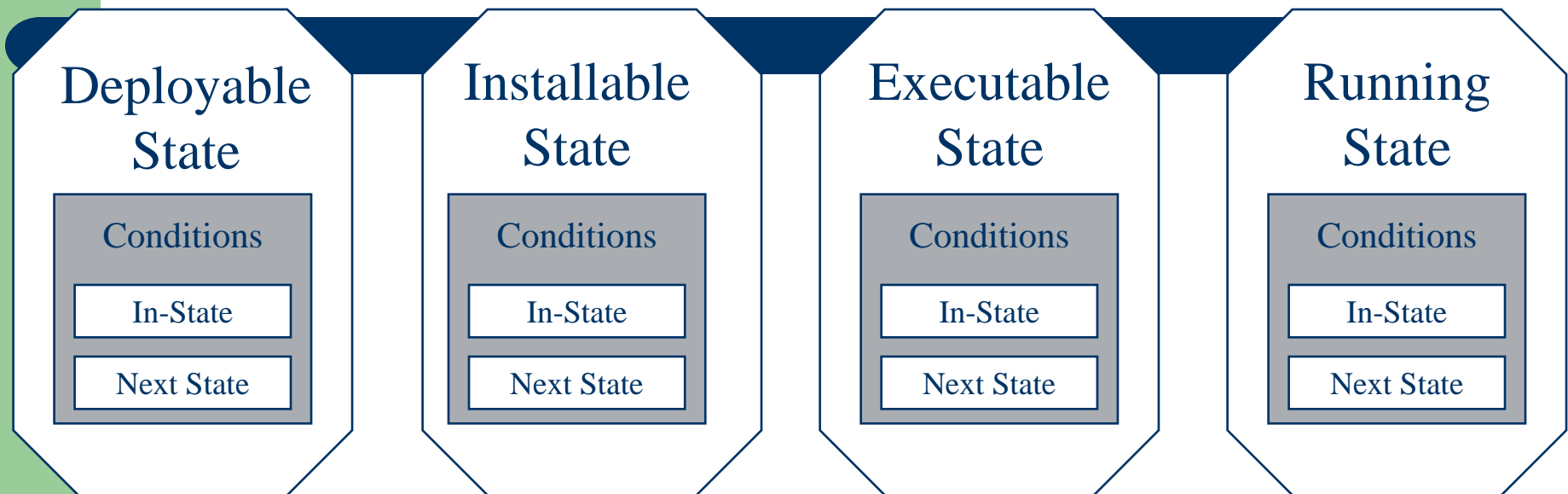
- Critical states in process of transition from development to operational
- Applies to lowest-level component
 - Software Elements
- States



Refining Software Element



Software Element Conditions



Conditions are situations that are expected to exist or not exist in an environment

In-State Conditions are characteristics of an environment that contains an element

Next-State Conditions are characteristics that need to be true in the target environment for the next state of a software element.

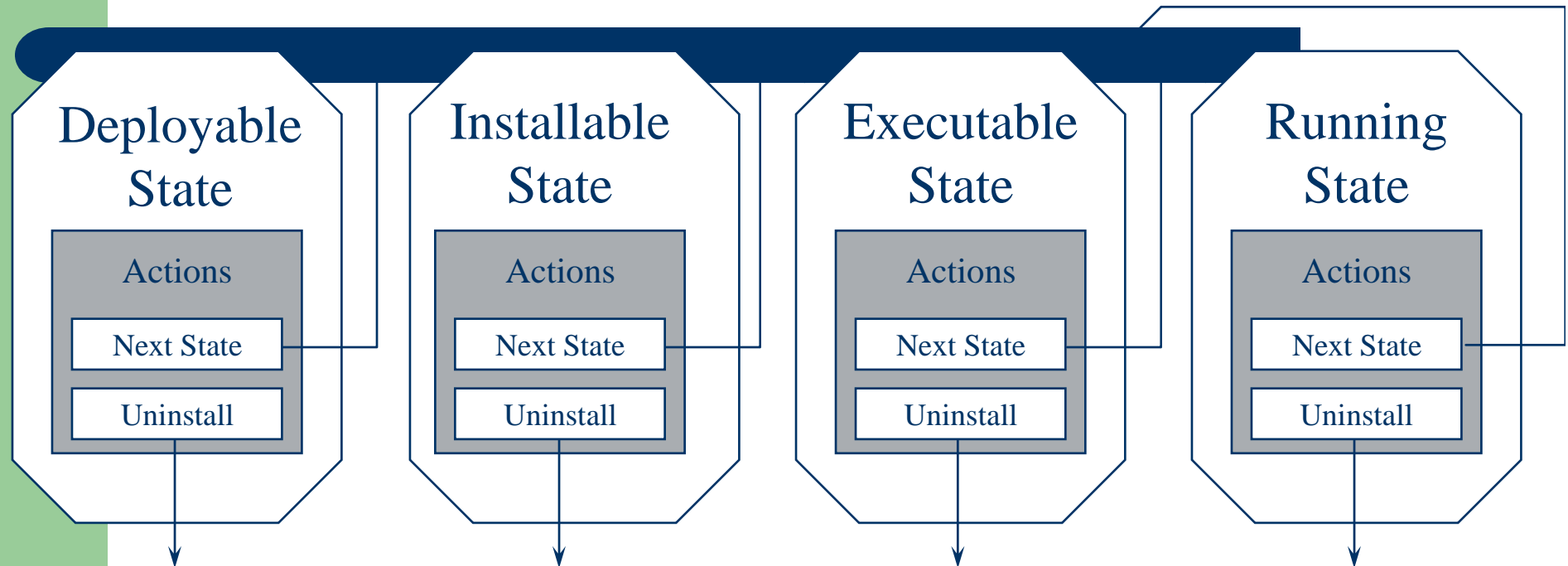
Software Element Conditions

Condition	In-State Interpretation	Next-State Interpretation
Memory Requirements	Minimum Amount of memory required to transition into the <i>current</i> state.	Minimum amount of memory required to transition into the <i>next</i> state
Disk Space	Minimum amount of disk space required to transition into the <i>current</i> state.	Minimum amount of disk space required to transition into the <i>next</i> state.
Swap Space	Minimum amount of swap space required to transition into the <i>current</i> state.	Minimum amount of swap space required to transition into the <i>next</i> state.

Software Element Conditions

Condition	In-State Interpretation	Next-State Interpretation
Architecture	The architecture required by a software element in the <i>current</i> state.	The architecture required by the software element to transition into the <i>next</i> state.
Files	A file that is expect to exist or not exist when a software element is in the <i>current</i> state.	A file this is expect to exist or not exist before a software element transitions into the <i>next</i> state.
Directories	A directory that is expect to exist or not exist when a software element is in the <i>current</i> state.	A directory this is expect to exist or not exist before a software element transitions into the <i>next</i> state.
OS Version	The version or ranges of versions a software element requires in its <i>current</i> state.	The version or ranges of versions a software element elements requires before it transitions into the <i>next</i> state.
Software Elements	A software element that is expect to exist or not exist when a software element is in the <i>current</i> state.	A software element that is expect to exist or not exist before a software element transitions into the <i>next</i> state.

Software Element Actions

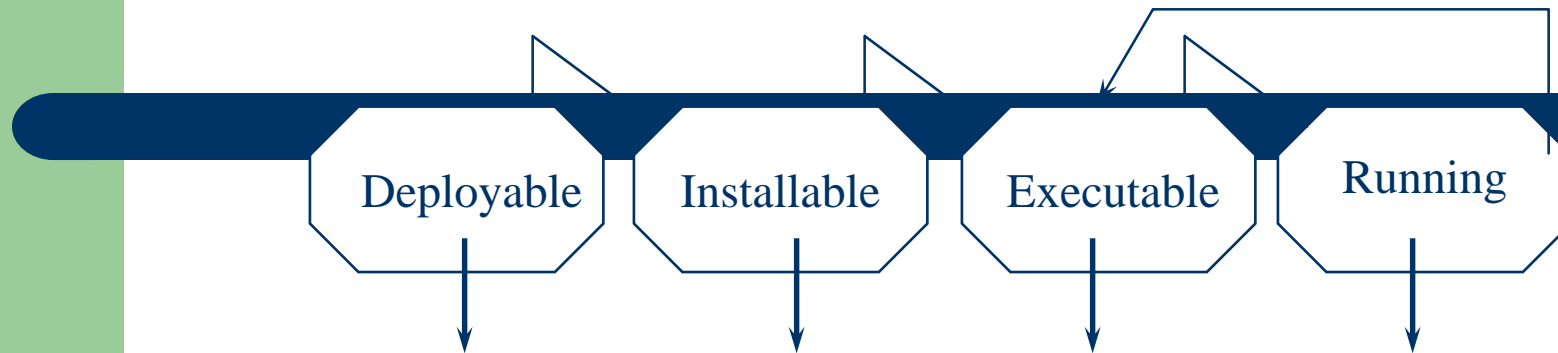


Actions are a sequence of operations

Next State Actions create a software element in a particular state.

Uninstall Actions properly remove a software element

Software Element Actions



Actions	Description
Directory	An action to create or remove a directory.
File	An action to create or remove a file.
Re-boot	An action the signals the need to reboot the computer system.
Execute Program	An action that execute a program. This can be the install script or program (e.g., setup.exe) when a software element in the installable state transitions to the executable state.

Application Management and SLAs

- The Business issue is providing services, not just the applications.
- SLAs are the contractual/agreement model for service level
- SLOs(service Level Objectives) are the service goals required to satisfy SLAs.
- **Both the systems and the applications are part of the service level determination**

Application Management and SLAs

- Typical runtime service level parameters
 - User perspective on performance
 - Interactive responsiveness
 - Transaction Response time / Time to accomplish
 - Throughput / How many simultaneous users or how many things can be done in a defined time
 - Batch turnaround
 - Critical deadlines (e.g. end-of-month processing)
 - Availability
 - Percentage of time service is available
 - Maximum limits on service-down times
- Other non-runtime SLA issues
 - Recoverability
 - Data Integrity
 - Problem responsiveness
 - Affordability

Goals of Application Measurement

- Provide Monitors for
 - Service Level management
 - Need information and controls so that analysis can be done and decisions made and implemented
 - Business and Business Process management
- Provide Application Controls for
 - Fault Determination
 - Performance characteristic attribution
 - Application monitor, management and manipulation in terms of application components, aggregation into whole to support SLOs

OR

- Monitor to provide information for SLA reporting
- Provide controls for SLA tuning
- Provide means to find why not meeting SLAs

It is not enough to know you have a problem if you do not know why or how to solve the problem.

It is even more worthless to have a means for defining SLAs And SLOs and no means to measure them on the system.

What are Applications?

- Complex collections of software components
- Multilayered functionally
 - E.g. Presentation, application, database, etc.
- Dynamically assembled
- GOALS of DMTF Runtime Management
 - Model the components as viewed in runtime including the interactions
 - Aggregate the information into the whole
 - Disaggregate information from whole into the components

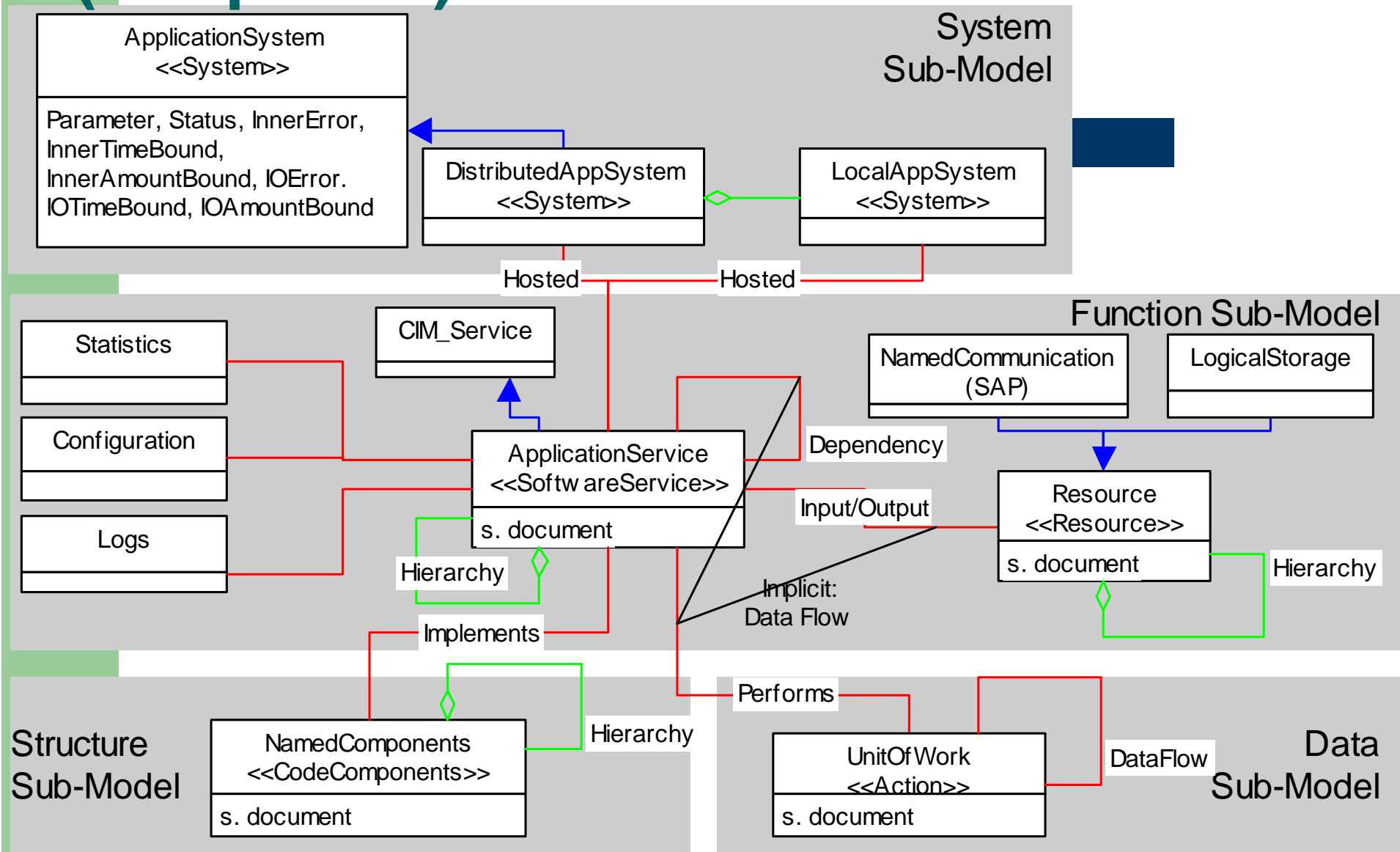
Application Runtime Manageability Requirements

- Define logical runtime structure of complex applications
- Define Application components/layers
- Support distributed and dynamic applications
- Relate physical structures and logical runtime structures
- Model usage of system resources as viewed by the application
- Model dataflow between components and applications and between applications
- Relate Unit of Work information to runtime structure
- Allow monitor and control of application state
- Support fault management
- Aggregate information from components to the whole

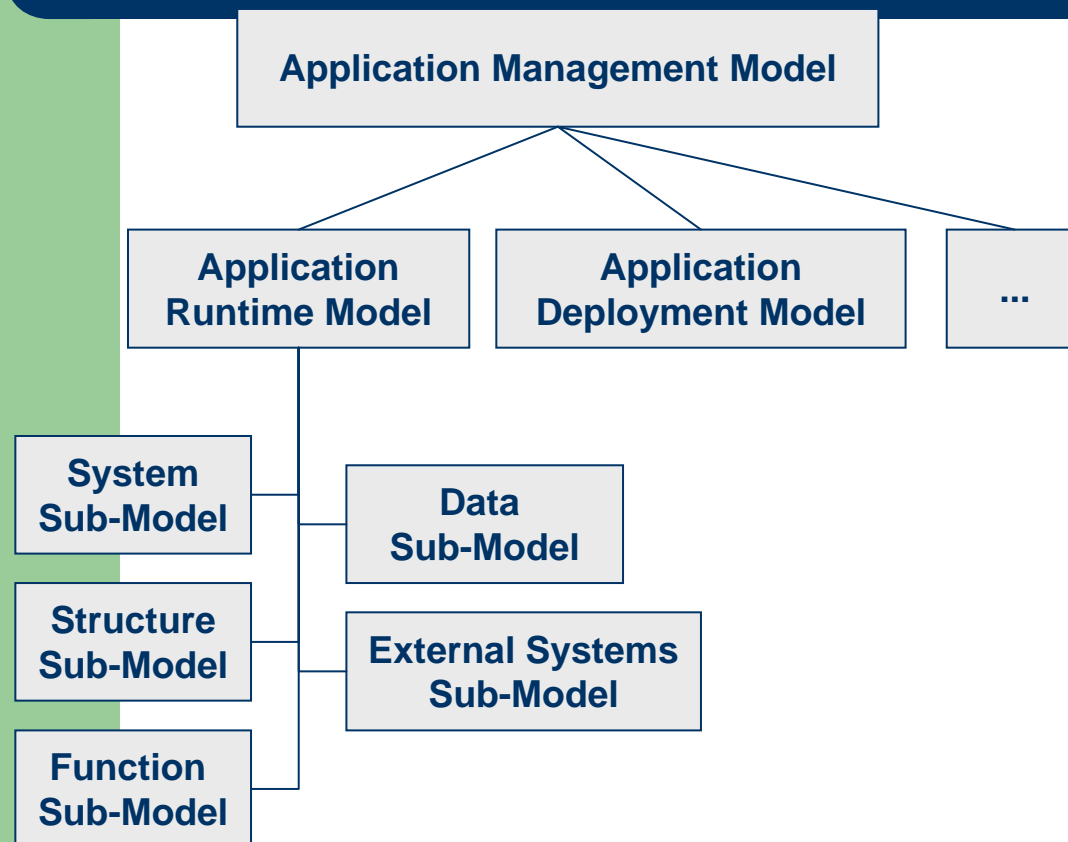
Modeling FCAPS

- **Fault**
 - Indications
 - Error and status properties (counter, information)
 - Log-entries, traces, etc.
- **Performance**
 - Base metrics (IO, timebound metrics, etc.)
 - UoW
 - Metric properties
 - Statistics
- **Configuration**
 - Persistent configuration information: configuration, settings
 - Control: methods
 - Current configuration: object properties, support classes, associations

App Runtime Model Concepts (Simplified)



Application Model Hierarchy



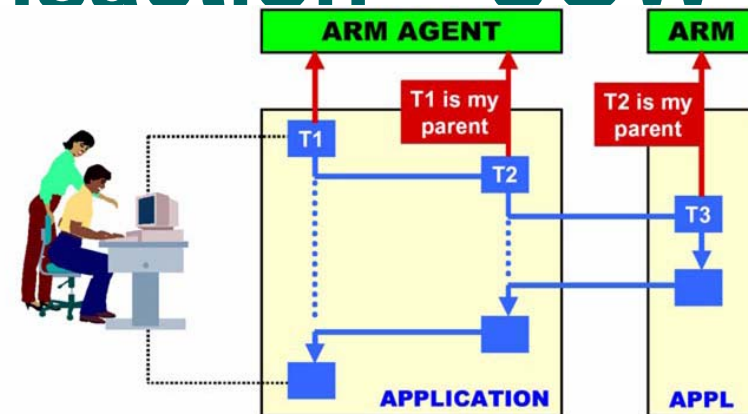
- In development today
- Application System submodel (CIM 2.8)
- Components of Function submodel (CIM 2.9 prelim)
- Data submodel, structure submodel planned for future CIM versions (2.10, etc.)

Measuring Traffic Service

- Goals
 - Identify and measure traffic characteristics (response time, metric information associated with the traffic, etc.)
- DMTF - Unit of Work(UOW)
 - Model dedicated to the concept of modeling time intervals
- Open Group - ARM
 - API dedicated to instrumenting for measurement of time intervals.

Modeling The Transaction - UOW

- Measure a time interval
- Identify the transaction
- Identify the application
- Provides information for correlation of multiple measurements
- Provides information to understand component UofWork (parent/child units of work)
- Provides metric information places for resource, etc. information
- Marry with the instrumentation technology - ARM



Unit of Work

- Defines a type of work
- Represents a UOW that has started and may have completed executing
- Associated to a UOW definition
- Provides information such as:
 - Response or elapsed time
 - Status
 - Active, Suspended, Completed (with status), Aborted
 - Metric Information about the UOW
- Examples
 - Update account balance
 - Execute batch
 - Query Data server
 - Execute subroutine

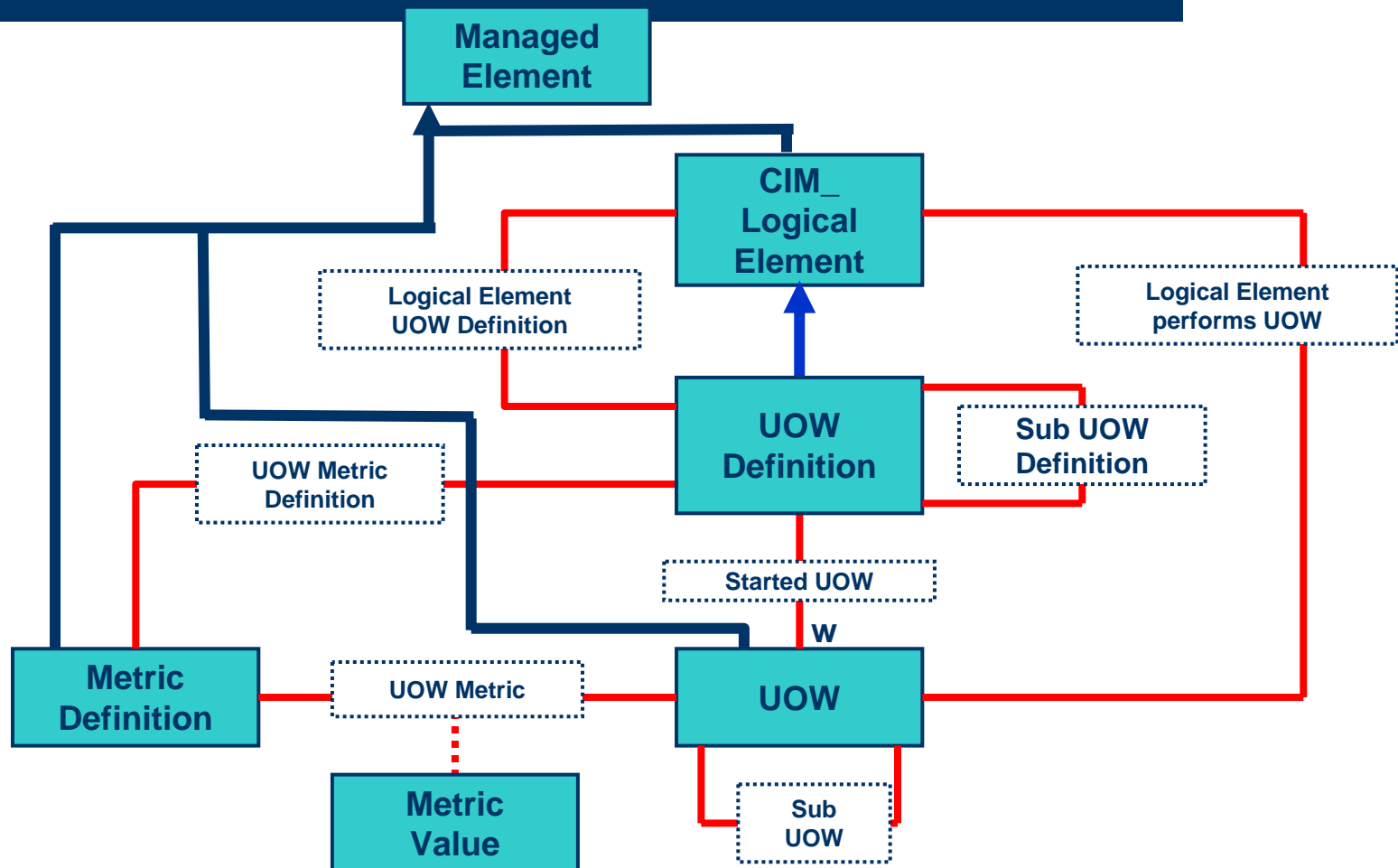
Status

- UOW model
 - Model Developed by DMTF Application Work Group
 - Corresponds today to ARM 1, 2, 3
 - Working on ARM 4 equivalent model
- ARM
 - ARM API for C and Java today (Open Group Standard)
 - Version 4 extend model to more useful metrics, correlation.

Metrics Model

- Capture dynamic metric information
- Provide means to do predefined structuring and organization of the data
 - Time series
 - Computation such as summing, averaging, etc.

Metrics and UOW model



Other DMTF Work

- Service Level Agreements and Service Level Objectives
- Policy

Modeling Behavior

- Behavior and State, Extending CIM to Behavioral Control

CIM includes Behavior Today

- The model includes methods which represent behavior(ex. Start(), Stop())
- Some specific classes (ex. application model) have been able to model specific behavioral characteristics (Deployment states and checks and actions classes.

BUT

- Cannot define behavioral interactions between classes
 - Change to instance of class A causes creation of instance of Class b and an association to be established between A and B.
- Cannot impose behavioral control on instances
 - Ex. Accept this method only when this property set.
 - Model cannot define when a Start() method should be allowed

Modeling Behavior and State

- The Issues
 - Today CIM is an Information model
 - CIM Information plus model behavior = manageability model
- Objectives
 - Allow states and state control on CIM Classes
 - Define inter-object Actions
 - Define state transitions that that invoke actions

Growth of the Information model to a Management model

Managed Services

From Information model
To information and behavior
model

Managed
Services
Model



Management Services

Managed Services Model
(tomorrow)

Manageability Objects
(Today)

Requirements for Behavioral Control

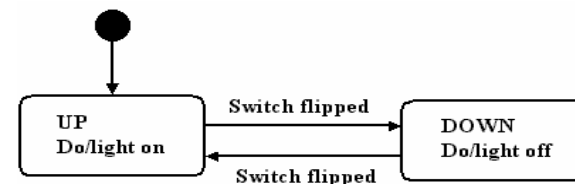
- Define state for CIM Objects
- Define state transitions so that object owners can control state changes
- Define inputs that can control states
- Define Actions that affect other parts of the model
- Provide concepts for hierarchical aggregation and disaggregation of state

A Very Simple Example

A Light Switch Example

- Two states
- One flip switch for control

- Transition Diagram



- State Table

State / Input	Down	Up
Flip Switch	Up/Do Light on	Down/Do Light off

Example (Cont)

```
light
{
    String instanceID;

    [valuemap("0", "1"),
     values("on", "off")]
    Uint16 state = 0;

    Uint32 flip();
}
```

TODAY

- Not clear what is a state variable
- Model does not define relation between method and state property.

```
light
{
    String instanceID;

    [State(pointer),
     valuemap("0", "1"),
     values("on", "off")]
    Uint16 state = 0;

    Uint32 flip();
}
```

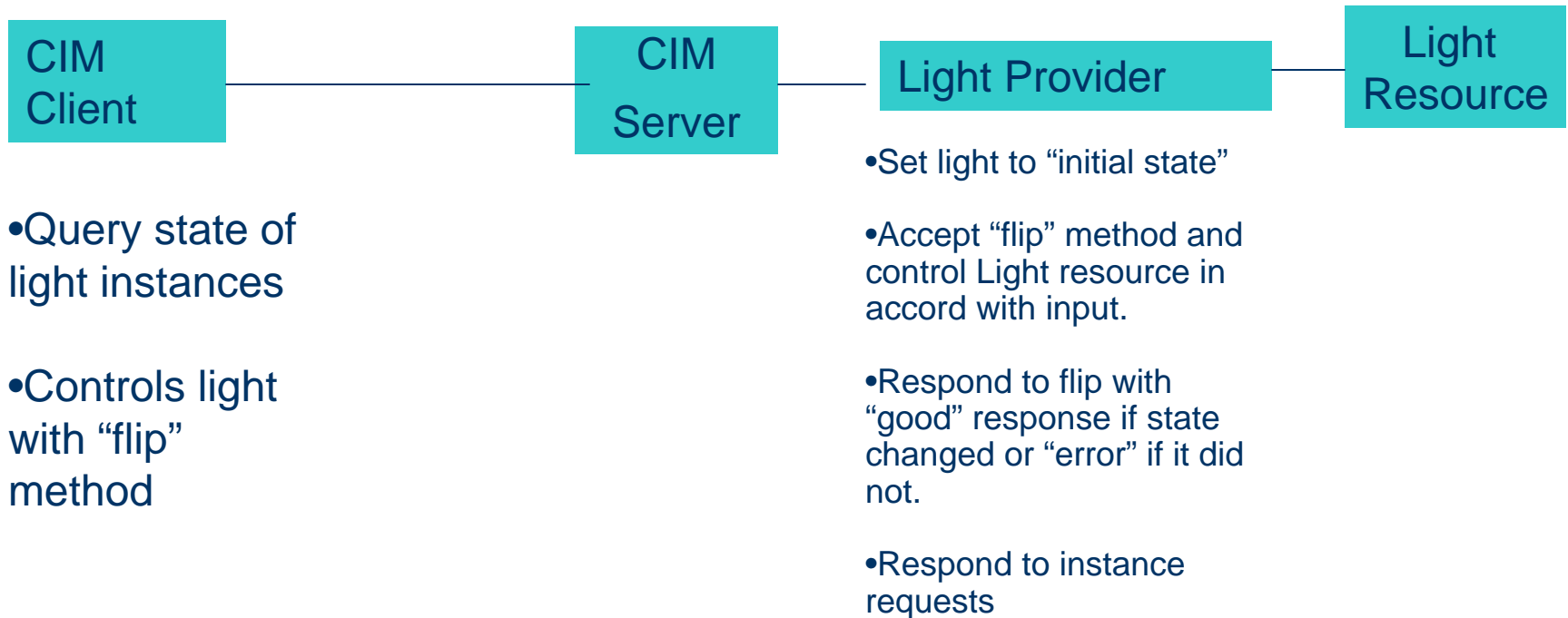
With Behavior Control

- State clearly defined as state property and associated with a particular transition matrix
- Clear behavior relation between method and state property

State Transition Matrix

State / Input	Down	Up
Flip Switch	Up/Do Light on	Down/Do Light off

Example (cont)



Objectives of the Working Group

- Today CIM is an information model
- It does not allow managing behavior
 - Of objects
 - Between objects
- Objective
 - Define mechanisms that would allow behavior CIM objects and between objects to be defined.

Characteristics of a State Model

- Based on OMG UML StateDiagrams
- Able to generate CIM state definitions directly from UML tools

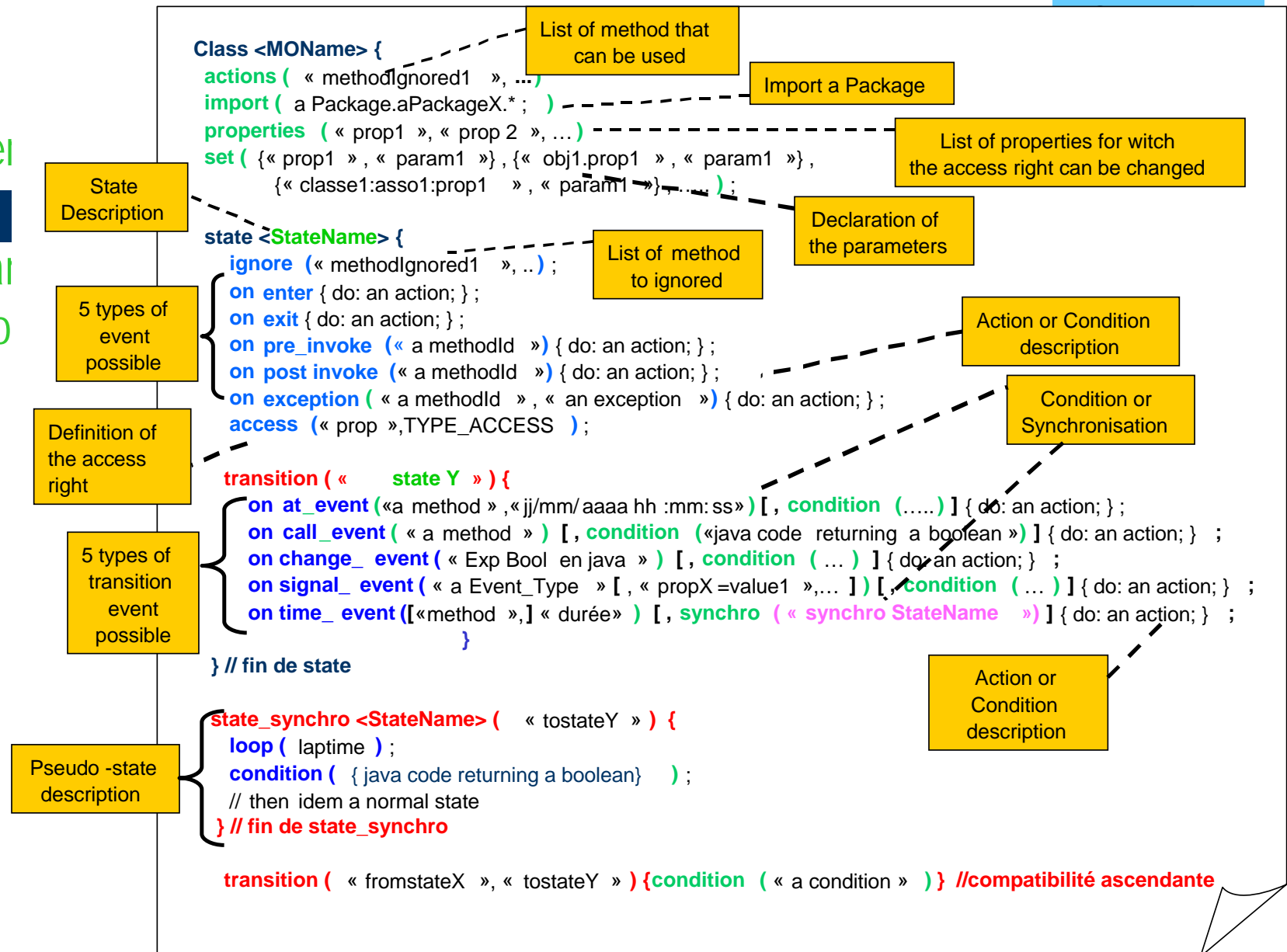
UML State Diagrams

- Hierarchical State Model
 - Hierarchical States (substate model)
 - State Transitions
- Based on event processing architecture
- Features
 - Guards
 - Entry and exit actions
 - Orthogonal Regions - orthogonal regions detect the same events and respond to them “simultaneously”

Alternate definitions for State Transitions

- Language based Definition
- Extending the CIM MetaModel to include State, Transitions, Actions concepts
 - UML has an existing meta-model as a starting point
- Model State as instances of newly defined classes

Overview



Questions?

