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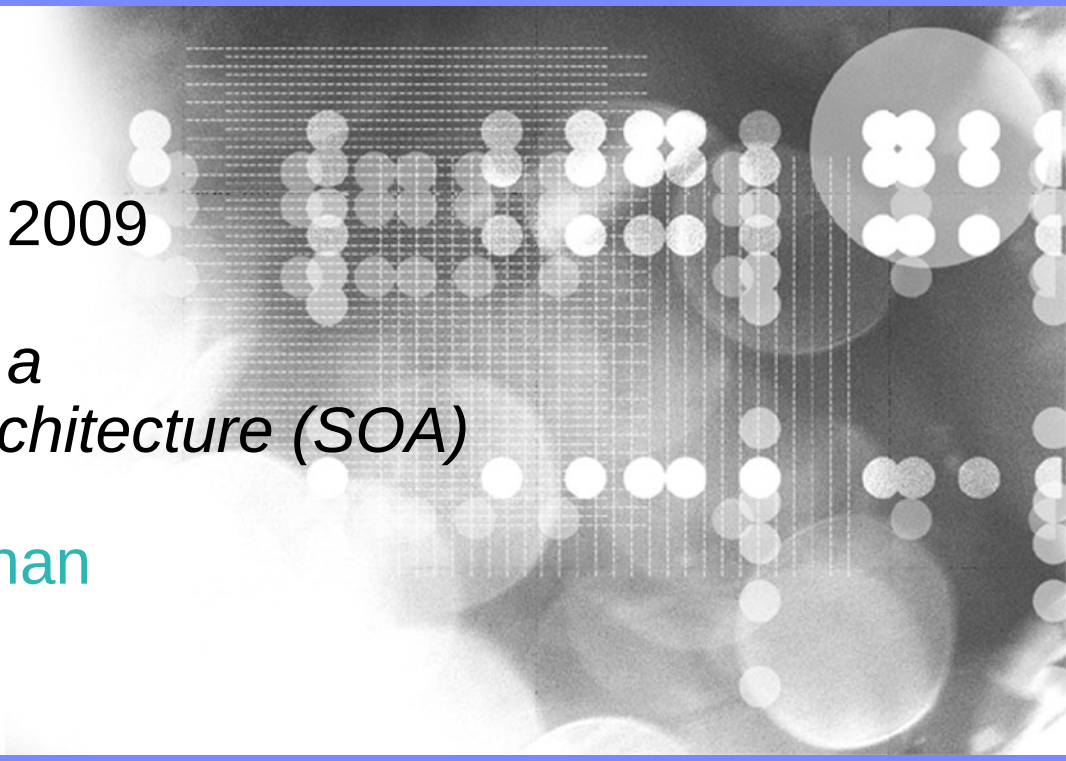

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Security Considerations in a Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)

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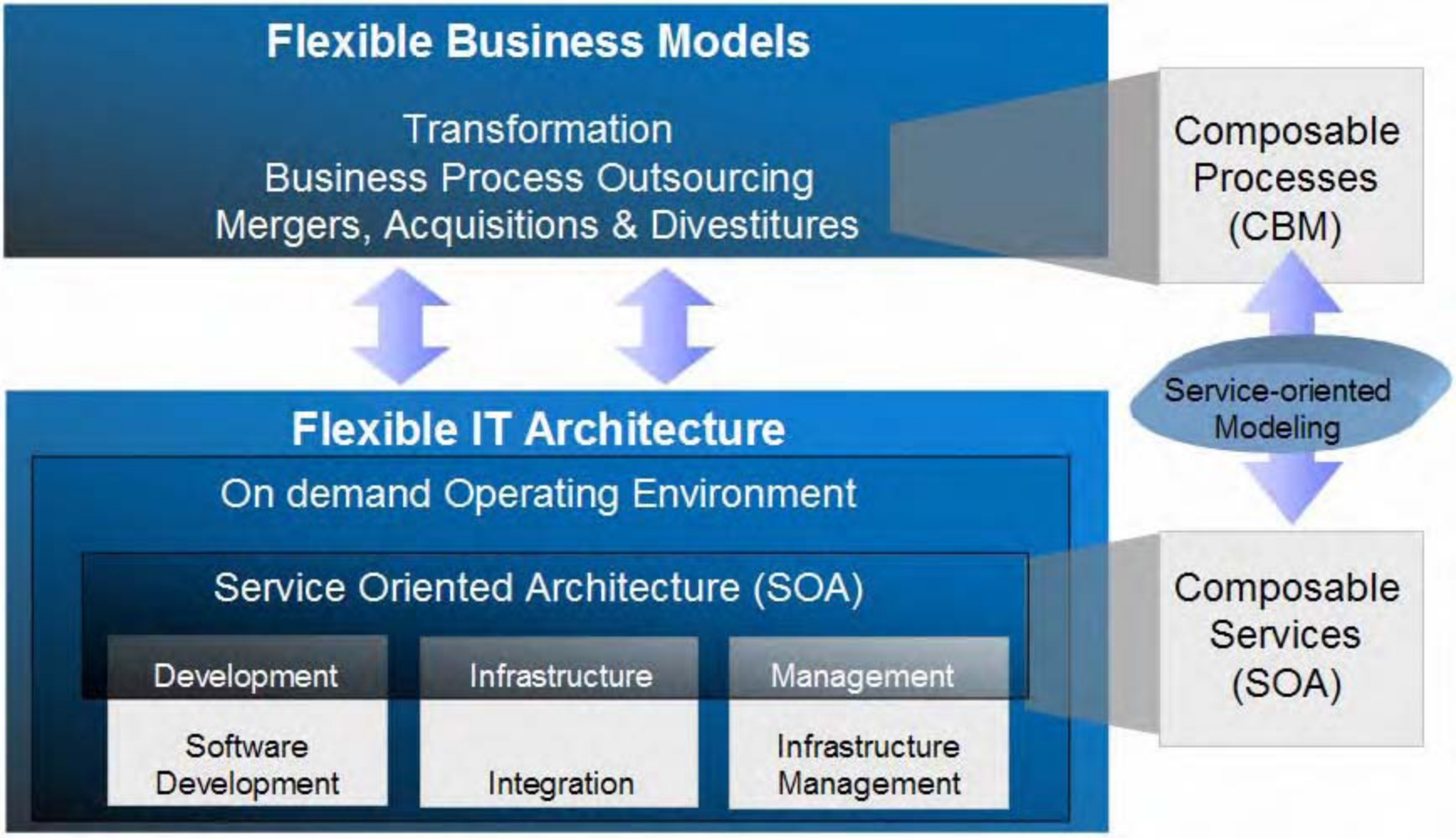
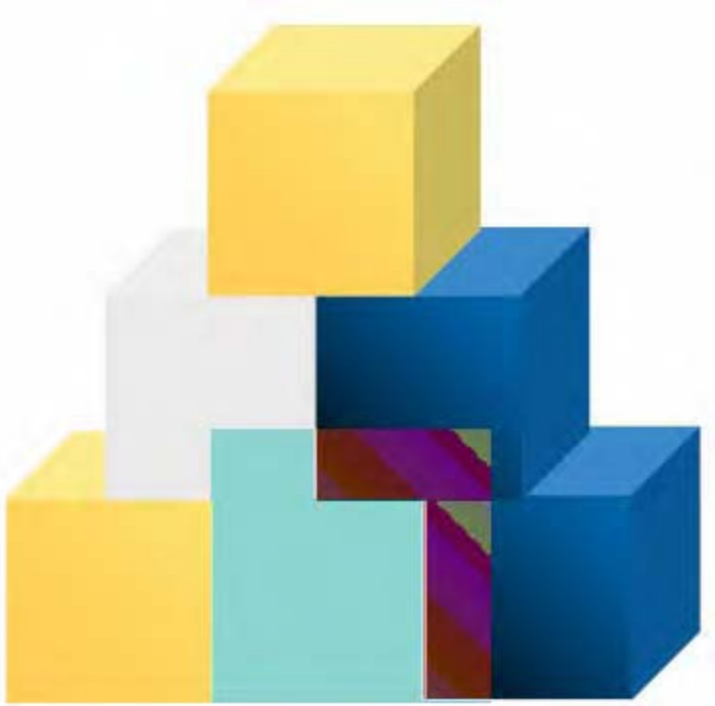
Today's enterprise requires business and IT agility



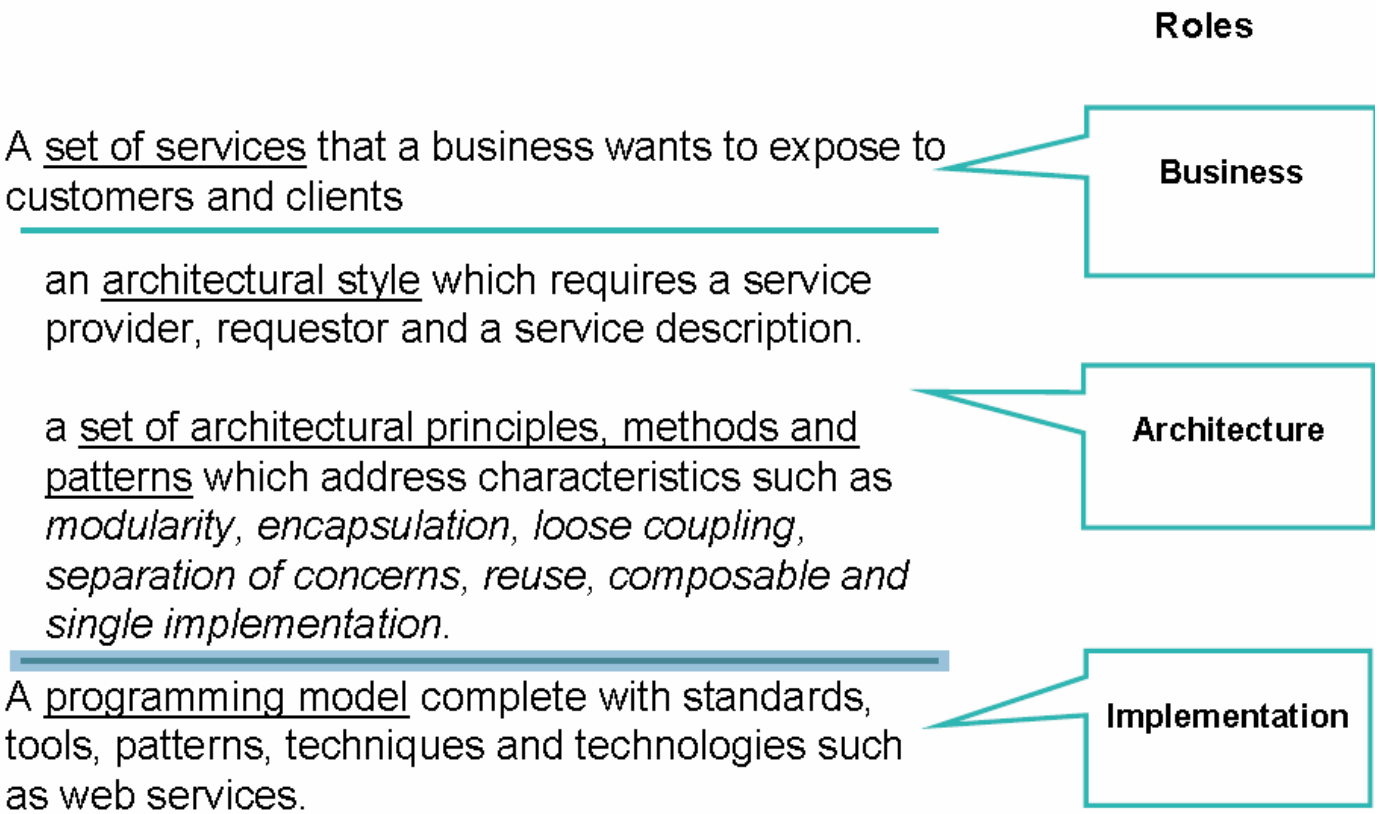
SOA is the key to bridging the needs of Business and IT

The flexibility to treat elements of business processes and the underlying IT infrastructure as secure, standardized components (services) that can be flexibly recomposed and combined to address changing business priorities.

- **Services are the building blocks**
  - Services are used to help **get the right information** to the right people at the right time
  - Services can be **flexibly re-combined** to deploy composite applications to address new opportunities
  - **Packaging business functions** from new and existing applications in a simple and standardized way creates services that are available for use
  - "A Service is a **discoverable software resource** which has a service description. This service description is available for searching, binding and invocation by a service consumer. The service description implementation is realized through a service provider who **delivers quality of service** requirements for the service consumer. Services can be **governed by declarative policies**."



Three views on SOA



What is the SOA model?

Business Componentization

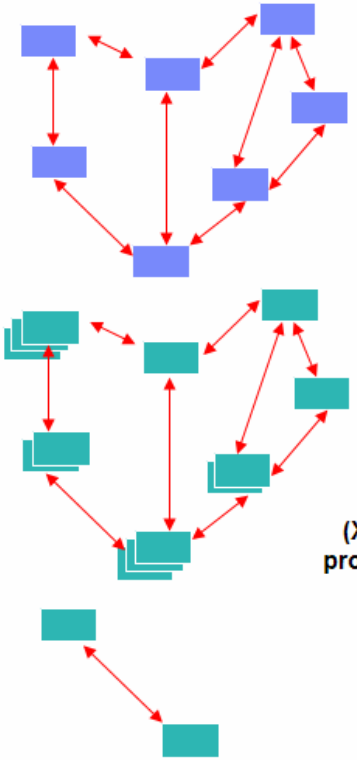
Re-defining today's monolithic enterprise processes as a set of standardized modular business process components

Service Oriented Architecture

An IT model which mirrors the interaction of business components through a set of IT applications implemented as real-time services that interact dynamically

Web Services

A set of vendor neutral and platform agnostic standards that can be used to define how SOA components interact



CBM business components

SOA application "components" *

(XML, SOAP, WSDL, UDDI) provide an interface toolkit for components

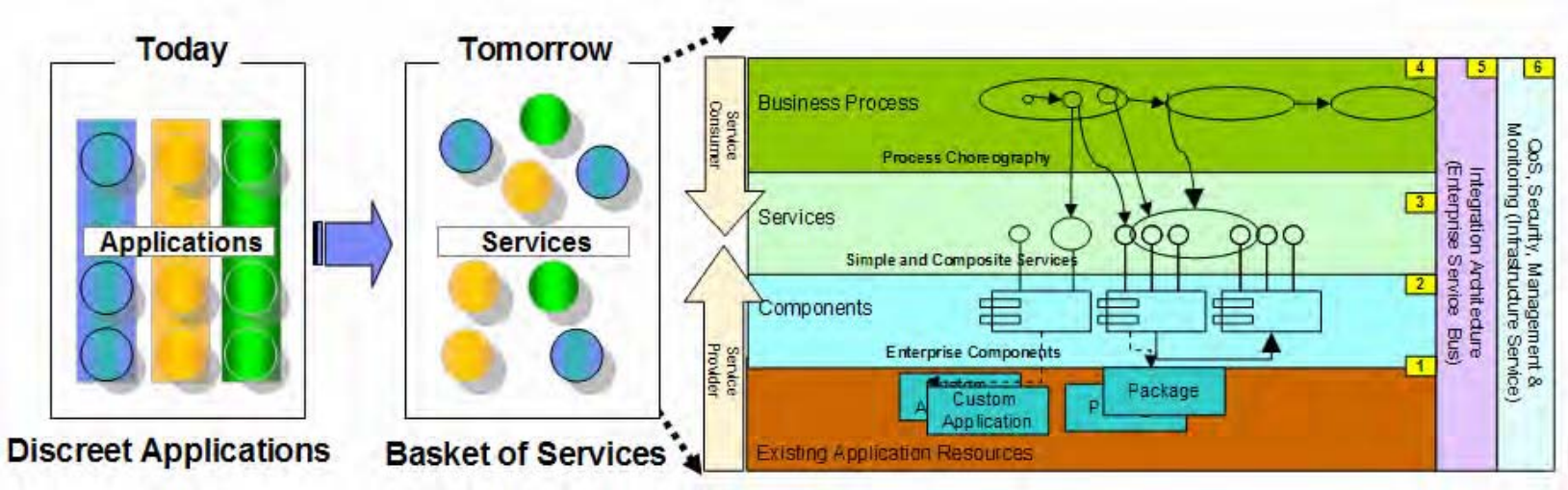
Business components

SOA components

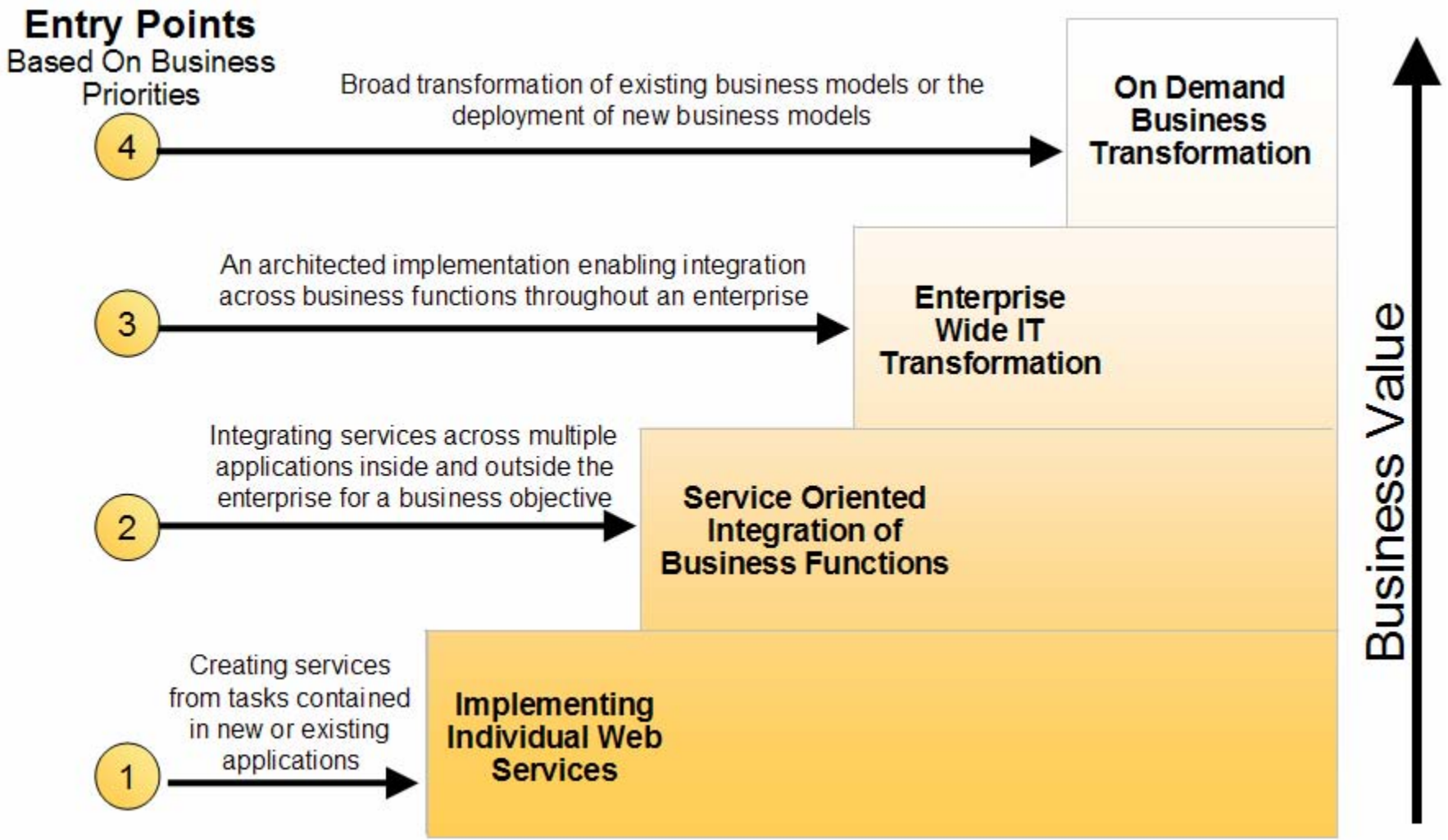
Service Interactions

* Each SOA application component may be made up of multiple applications

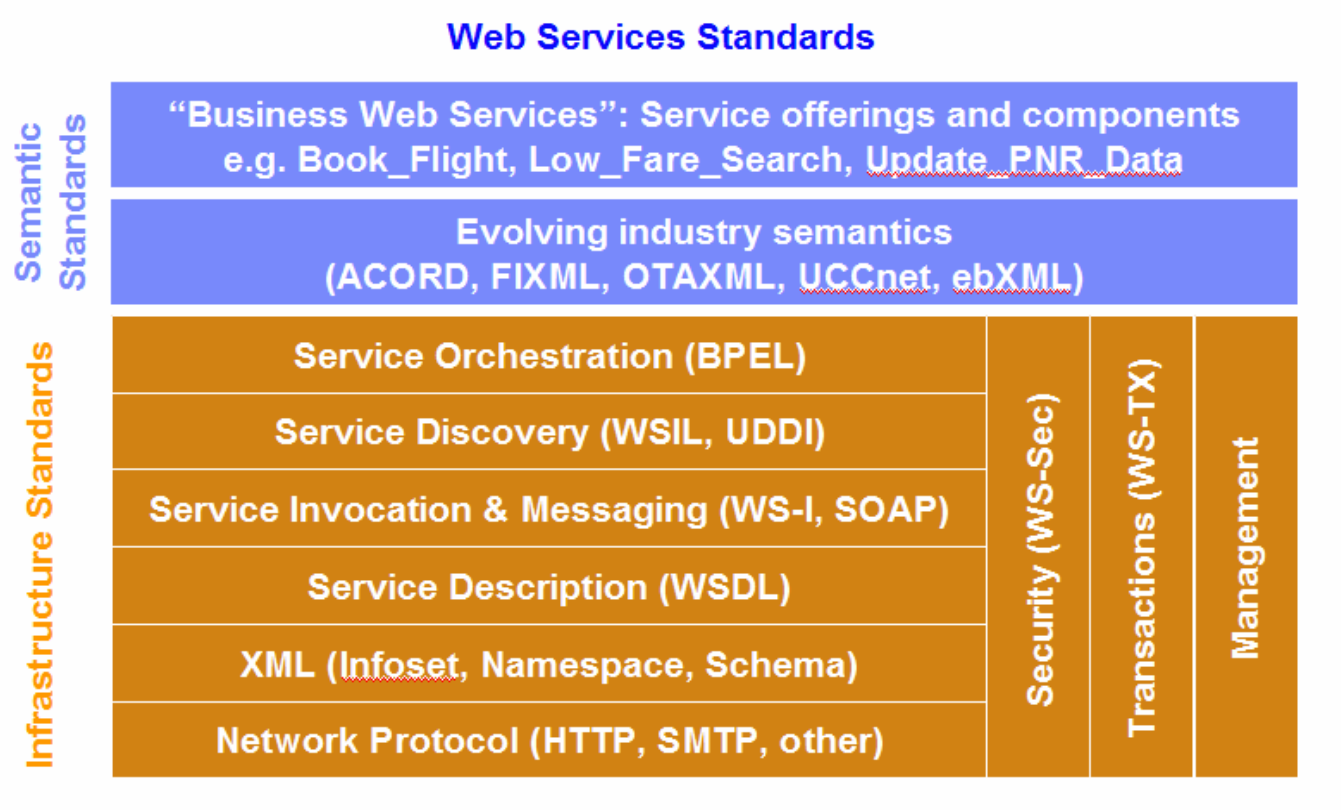
Vision of Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)



Organizations can take different paths to SOA adoption depending on business goals and IT constraints



XML is the key to Web service implementation



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Security requirements from a business perspective

- ***Reduce Risks:*** **An exposure someone has as a result of a vulnerability being exploited**
- ***Establish Trust:*** **The extent to which someone who relies on a system can have confidence that the system meets its specifications (i.e., that the system does what it claims to do and does not perform unwanted functions)**
- ***Reduce/Eliminate Liability:*** **The thing every business is afraid of…something that causes a business to lose money**
- ***Provide the Appropriate Asset Protection to offset the risk:*** **Any information, system or resource that the business tracks as containing business value or liability**
- ***Build stronger Business Relationships:*** **Patterns of interaction around customers, partners, suppliers, and competitors**
- ***Manage Corporate Security Policies:*** **Regulatory compliance, and corporate governance, pass security audits**

Security requirements from an IT perspective

In any architectural solution, the following security requirements must be addressed, with no exceptions when it comes to Web services:

- ***Identification:*** **The party accessing the resource is able to identify itself to the system.**
- ***Authentication:*** **There exists a procedure to verify the identity of the accessing party**
- ***Authorization:*** **There exists a set of transactions the authenticated party is allowed to perform**
- ***Integrity:*** **The information is not changed on its way**
- ***Confidentiality:*** **Nobody is able to read the information on its way**
- ***Auditing:*** **All transactions are recorded so that problems can be analyzed after the fact**
- ***Non-repudiation:*** **Both parties are able to provide legal proof to a third party that the sender did send the information, and the receiver received the identical information**

Who or what is accessing your systems?

- **Greater focus on securing data and information**
  - Protecting data in transit and at rest
  - Apply consistent protection measures
  - Access to data by applications and services

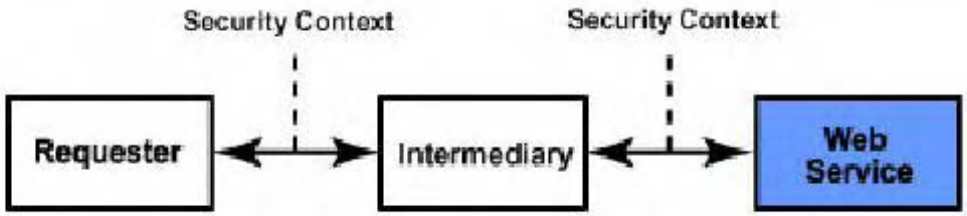
- **Entities, Identities – users, services**
  - Services have identities
  - Identities and/or credentials are propagated across services
  - Users and services are now subject to the same security controls
- **Organizational/enterprise boundaries**
  - Perimeter is obscure
  - Identities are managed across boundaries
  - Trust relationships are established across boundaries

Threats to message level security

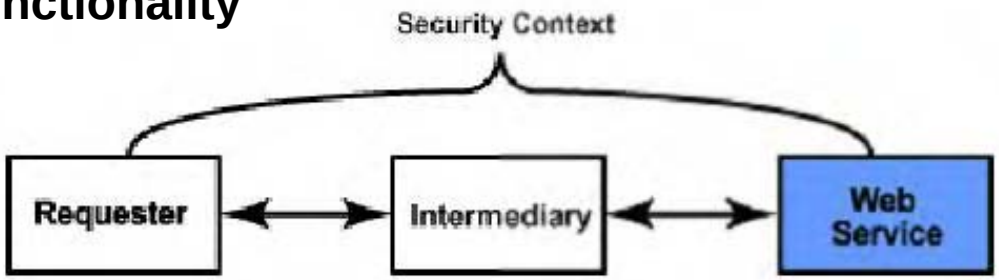
- ***Message Alteration:*** **Clear text messages may be changed**
- ***Confidentiality:*** **Messages may be read by external parties**
- ***Man-in-the-middle:*** **Original Requestor and Service Provider believe they are talking to each other, when in fact they are talking through a third party**
- ***Spoofing:*** **External party impersonates an authorized user and makes an unauthorized request**
- ***Denial of Service:*** **Preventing legitimate users from using a Web service**
- ***Replay:*** **An external party copies and later resends a message**

Point-to-point versus end-to-end security

- **SSL/TLS offers several security features including authentication, data integrity, and data confidentiality, but only for individual hops**



- **What is needed in a comprehensive Web services security architecture is a mechanism that provides end-to-end security and greater functionality**



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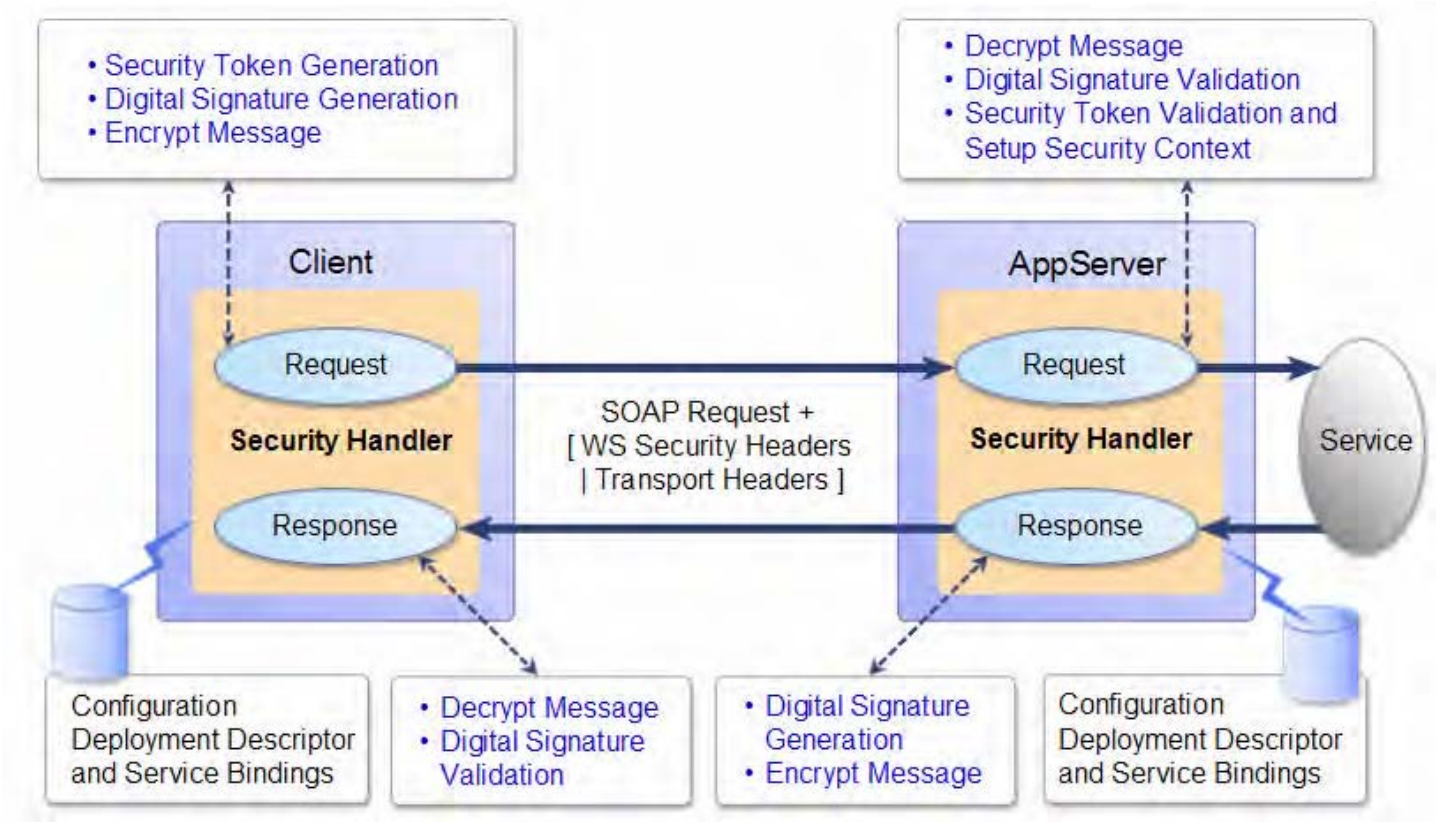
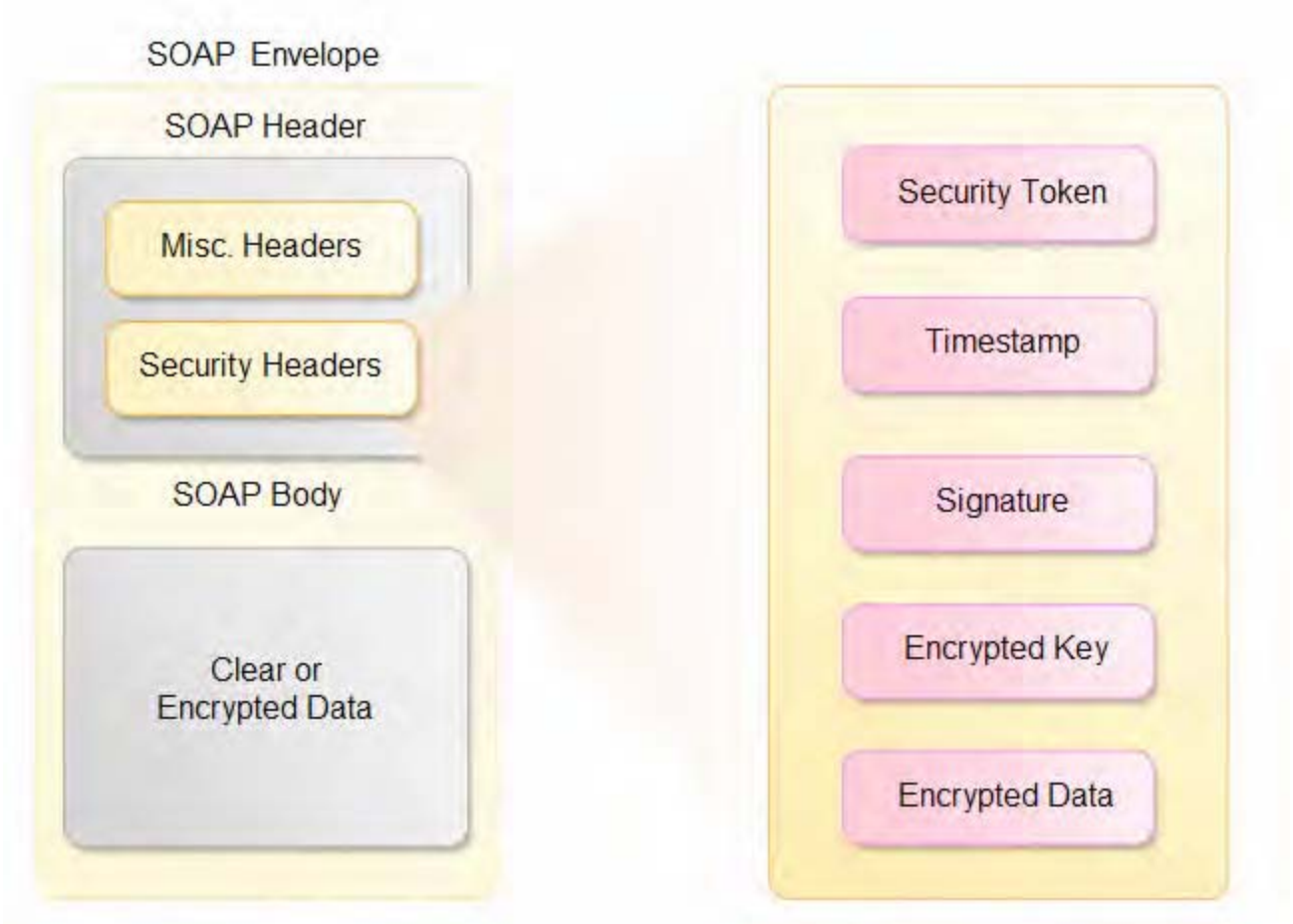
Web services security high level architecture



SOAP message with Web Services Security



WS-Security Core Specification 1.1

- **Provides message level security which is used when building secure Web services**
- **Focused on message content protection and security token propagation**
- **Builds upon specific XML extensions and other supplemental specifications:**
  - XML Encryption
  - XML Signature
  - Username Token Profile
  - SAML Token Profile
  - X.509 Certificate Token Profile

Reference:
http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/v1.1/wss-v1.1-spec-os-SOAPMessageSecurity.pdf

Defining the security constraints for a service

- **WS-Policy**
  - Provides a flexible and extensible grammar for expressing the capabilities, requirements, and general characteristics of entities in an XML Web services-based system
- **WS-SecurityPolicy**
  - Deals with defining "policy assertions" which are utilized by the WS-Security, WS-Trust and WS-SecureConversation specifications

Reference:
http://www.w3.org/Submission/WS-Policy/
http://docs.oasis-open.org/ws-sx/ws-securitypolicy/v1.2/ws-securitypolicy.html

Establishing and exchanging user identities

- **WS-Trust**
  - Uses the secure messaging mechanisms of WS-Security to define additional primitives and extensions for the issuance, exchange, and validation of security tokens
- **WS-Federation**
  - Describes how to use the existing Web services security building blocks to provide federation functionality, including *trust*, *single sign-on* (and *single sign-off*), and attribute management across a federation

Reference:
http://docs.oasis-open.org/ws-sx/ws-trust/200512/ws-trust-1.3-os.html
http://download.boulder.ibm.com/ibmdl/pub/software/dw/specs/ws-fed/WS-Federation-V1-1B.pdf?S_TACT=105AGX04&S_CMP=LP

Providing a context to multiple message flows

- **WS-SecureConversation**
  - Defines mechanisms for establishing and sharing security contexts, and deriving keys from security contexts, to enable a secure conversation

Reference:
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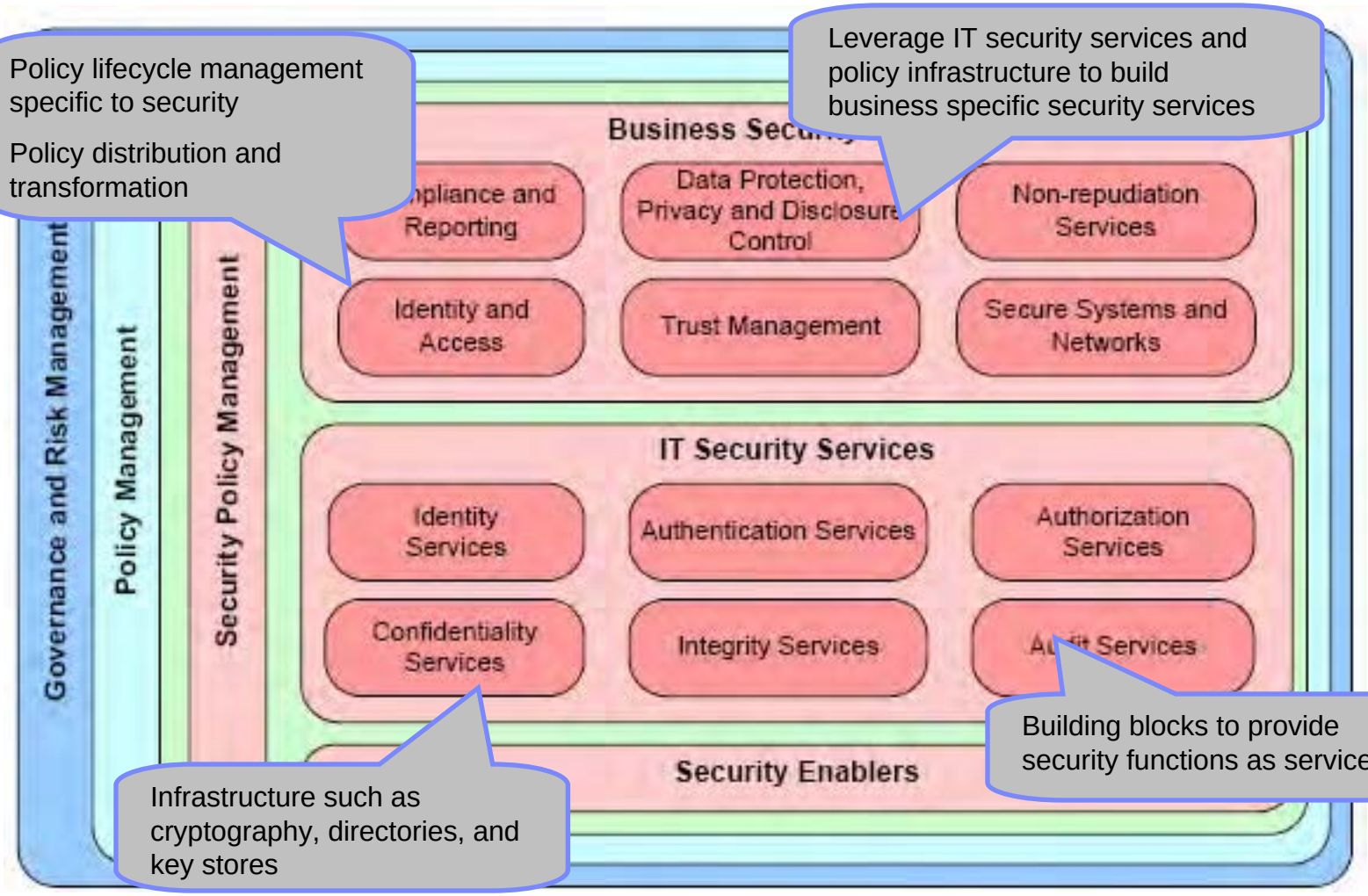
IBM SOA Security Reference Model



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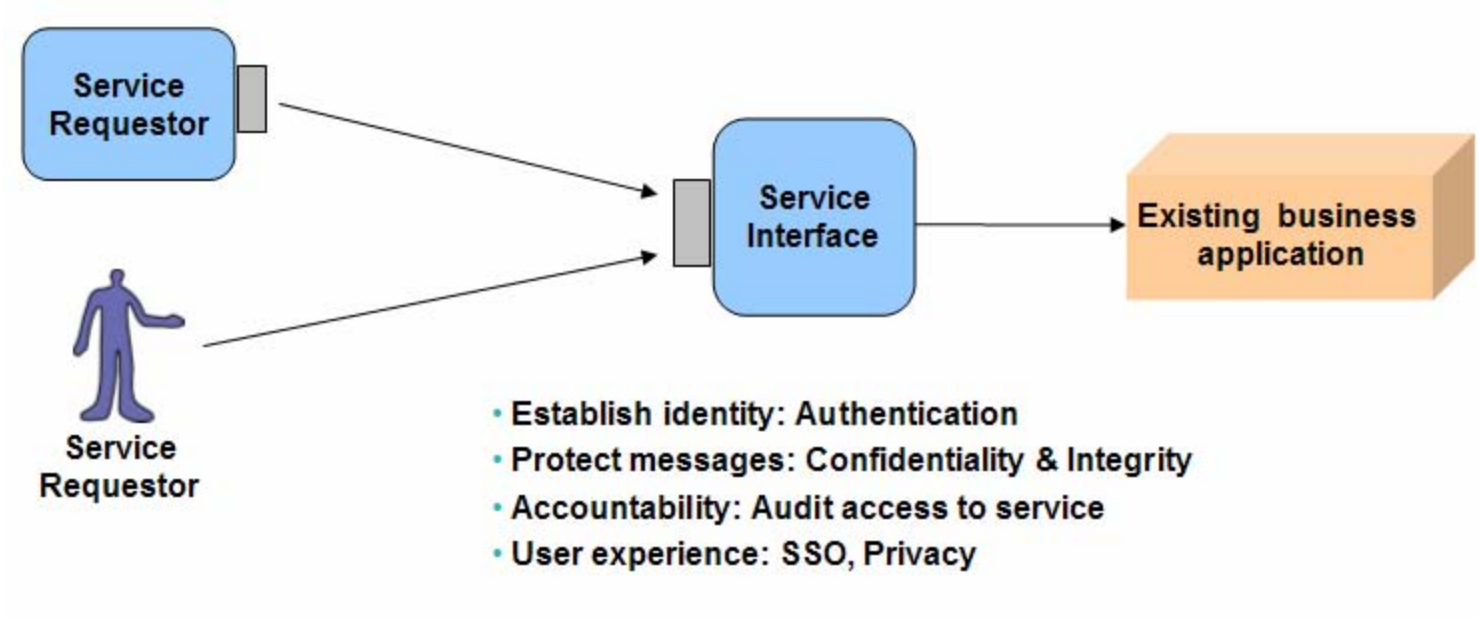
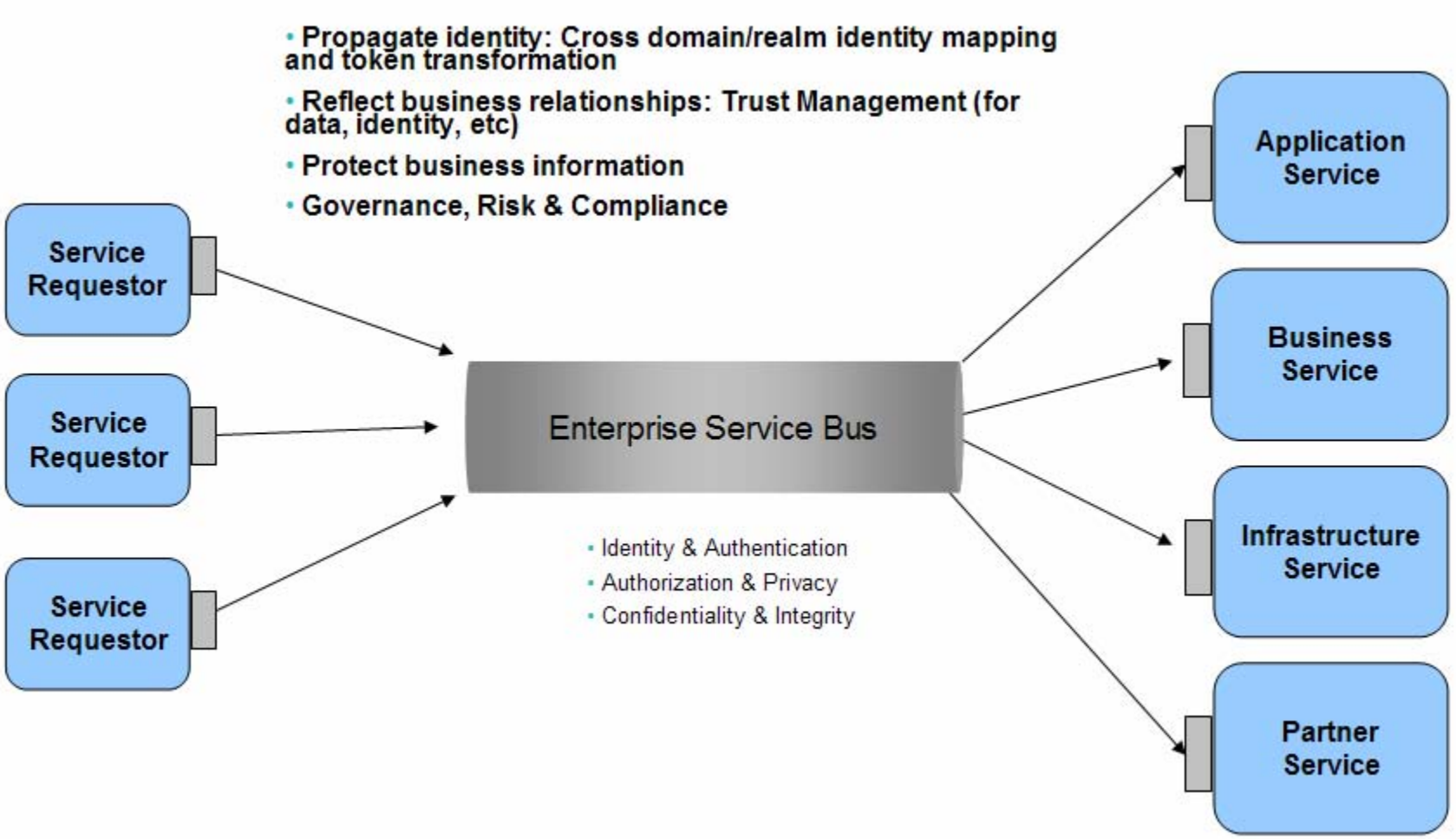


Use Case2 – Services integration



Use Case 3 – Service aggregation for collaboration

- Provide access to business services through a common interface, ie portal.
- Simplify the user's interaction with the security services via SSO
- Meet audit requirements with user's identity propagated to all application components, ie no service accounts

Service Requestor

Pervasive Access

Portal & Collaboration

- Identity & Access
- Trust Management
- Governance, Risk & Compliance

Enterprise Service Bus

- Identity & Authentication
- Single Sign-On (Web and Federated)
- Self-Care, Profile Mgmt.

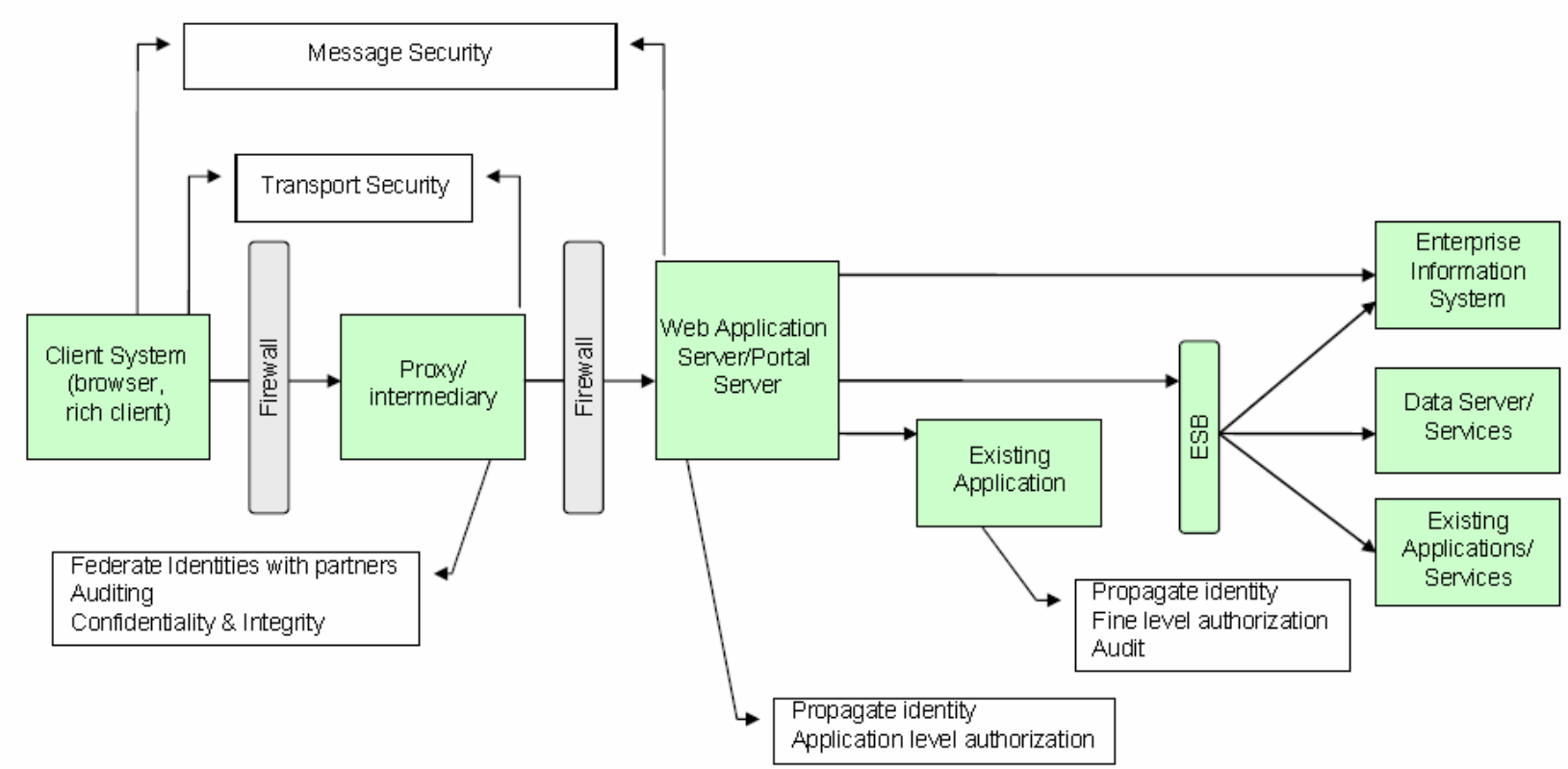
Application Service

Remote Portlets

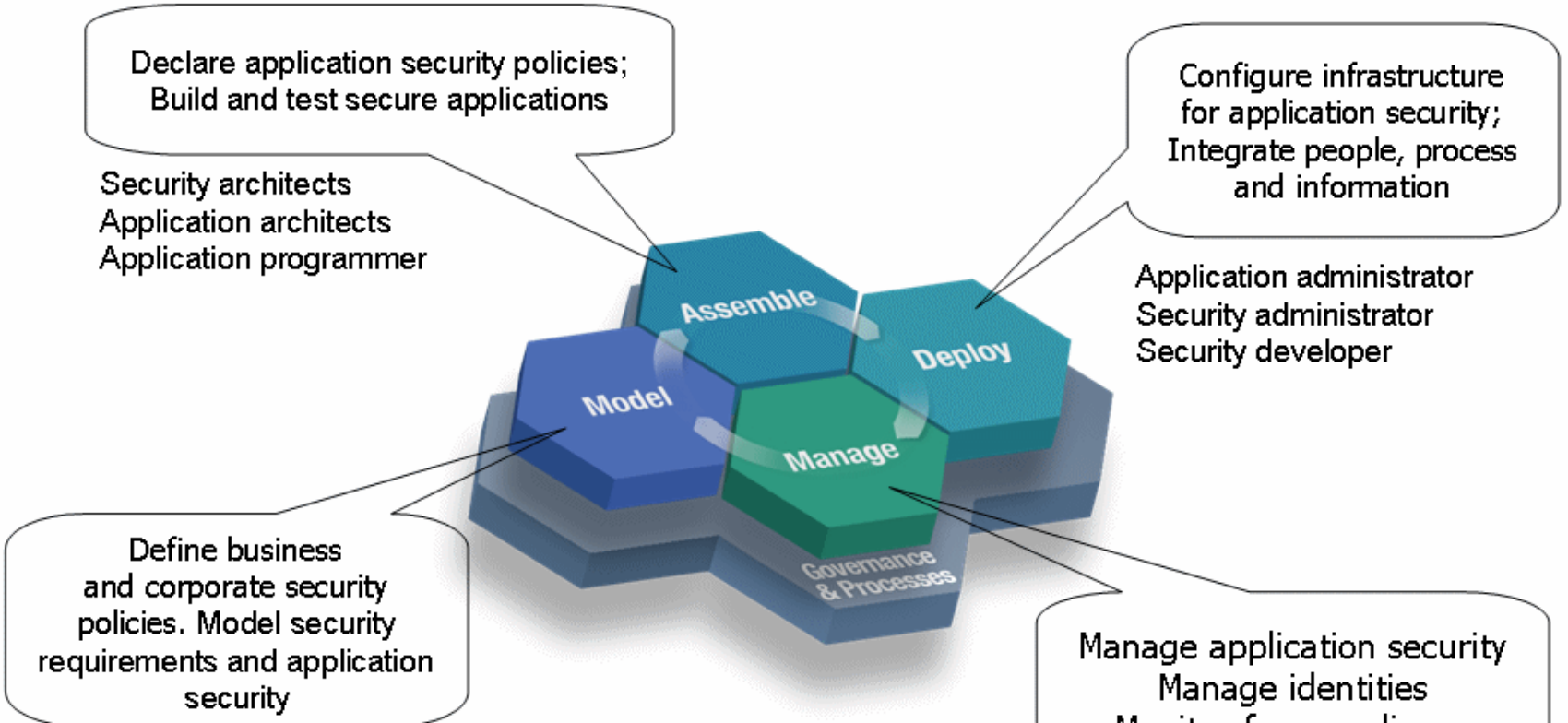
Partner Service

Partner Service

Security in a typical deployment architecture



Security encompasses all stages of SOA life cycle



Additional information

- ***Understanding SOA Security: Design and Implementation* – IBM Redbook**

- ***WS-I: Security Challenges, Threats, and Countermeasures Version 1.0***

  Reference:
  http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg247310.html

- ***z/TPF Security Features for SOA***
  - Presentation in the **SOA Subcommittee** Tuesday morning

  Reference:
  http://www.ws-i.org/Profiles/BasicSecurity/SecurityChallenges-1.0.pdf

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