

# Assurance in Models and Standards

## Panel – Relationships Between Models and Standards



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# Outline

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- The Engineering Challenge
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# System and Software Assurance

System and software assurance focuses on the management of risk and assurance of safety, security, and dependability within the context of system and software life cycles.

*Terms of Reference, ISO/IEC JTC1/SC7 WG9, System and Software Integrity*

The level of confidence that software is free from vulnerabilities, either intentionally designed into the software or accidentally inserted at anytime during its lifecycle, and that the software functions in the intended manner.

*CNSS Instruction No. 4009, "National Information Assurance Glossary," Revised 2006*



# The Assurance Problem

- Assurance-related risks have dramatically increased due to the simultaneous growth in software vulnerabilities and in threat opportunities
- Risk management processes inadequately address these threats and risks
- Threats presented by suppliers of software products and services are not adequately identified and analyzed
- Development and acquisition processes inadequately address assurance
- There is a fundamental lack of both the scientific understanding of software risks, and the capabilities to effectively diagnose and mitigate them in a timely manner

*Source: J. Jarzombek. DOD Software Assurance Initiative: Mitigating Risks Attributable to Software. DOD Software Assurance Forum, July 2004.*



# Or, More Succinctly . . .

- There is a failure to assure correct, predictable, safe, secure execution of complex software in distributed environments
- Inadequate attention is given to the total lifecycle issues, including impacts on lifecycle cost and risk associated with the use of commercial or reused products and components

*Source: G. Draper (ed.), Top Software Engineering Issues Within Department of Defense and Defense Industry. National Defense Industrial Association, Arlington, VA, August 2006.*



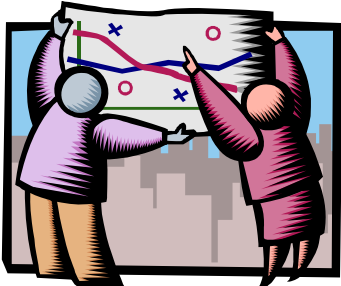
# The Engineering Challenge

Integrating a heterogeneous set of globally engineered and supplied proprietary, open-source, and other software; hardware; and firmware; as well as legacy systems; to create well-engineered integrated, interoperable, and extendable systems whose security, safety, and other risks are acceptable – or at least tolerable.



# Achieving System and Software Assurance Through CMMI<sup>®</sup>-Compliant Processes

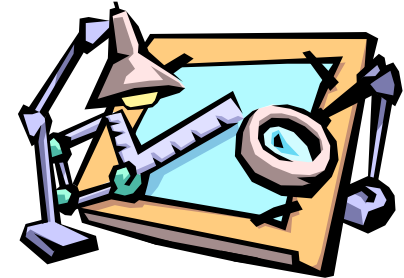
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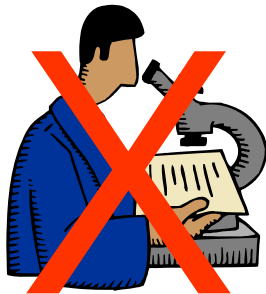
5. Measure Your Results - Modify Processes as Necessary



4. Build or Refine and Execute Your Assurance Processes



2. Look to the CMMI<sup>®</sup> for Assurance-Related Process Capability Expectations



3. Look to Standards for Assurance Process Detail



# CMMI<sup>®</sup> - DEV Assurance Shortfalls

- Inconsistent treatment of safety and security concerns
- Insufficient assurance detail in required and expected components
  - Specific goals
  - Specific practices
- Insufficient traceability to assurance source standards







# CMMI® – DEV Process Areas and Assurance

Source: CMMI® for  
Development, Version  
1.2, CMU/SEI-2006-  
TR-008, August 2006

Name	Abbr	Safety	Security
Requirements Management	REQM	√	√
Project Planning	PP	√	√
Project Monitoring and Control	PMC		√
Supplier Agreement Management	SAM		√
Measurement and Analysis	MA		√
Process and Product Quality Assurance	PPQA		
Configuration Management	CM	√	√
Requirements Development	RD	√	√
Technical Solution	TS	√	√
Product Integration	PI	√	√
Verification	VER		
Validation	VAL		
Organizational Process Focus	OPF		
Organizational Process Definition +IPPD	OPD +IPPD	√	√
Organizational Training	OT	√	√
Integrated Project Management +IPPD	IPM +IPPD	√	√
Risk Management	RSKM	√	√
Decision Analysis and Resolution	DAR	√	
Organizational Process Performance	OPP		
Quantitative Project Management	QPM		
Organizational Innovation and Deployment	OID		
Causal Analysis and Resolution	CAR	√	



# Safety and Security Extensions for Integrated Capability Maturity Models

1. Ensure Safety and Security Competency
2. Establish Qualified Work Environment
3. Ensure Integrity of Safety and Security Information
4. Monitor Operations and Report Incidents
5. Ensure Business Continuity
6. Identify Safety and Security Risks
7. Analyze and Prioritize Risks
8. Determine, Implement, and Monitor Risk Mitigation Plan
9. Determine Regulatory Requirements, Laws, and Standards
10. Develop and Deploy Safe and Secure Products and Services
11. Objectively Evaluate Products
12. Establish Safety and Security Assurance Arguments
13. Establish Independent Safety and Security Reporting
14. Establish a Safety and Security Plan
15. Select and Manage Suppliers, Products, and Services
16. Monitor and Control Activities and Products

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Safety and Security Extensions  
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Integrated Capability Maturity Models

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# Source Standards

## Safety

- Defence Standard 00-56, Safety Management Requirements for Defence Systems, Ministry of Defence, United Kingdom, December 1996.
- IEC 61508, Functional Safety of electrical/electronic/programmable electronic safety-related systems, International Electrotechnical Commission, 1997.
- Military Standard System Safety Program Requirements, MIL-STD-882C, United States Department of Defense, January 1993.
- Standard Practice for System Safety, MIL-STD-882D, United States Department of Defense, February 2000.

## Security

- ISO/IEC 21827, Systems Security Engineering Capability Maturity Model®, SSE-CMM®, Model Description Document, Version 3.0, June 15, 2003.
- ISO/IEC 15408:1999, Common Criteria for Information Technology Security Evaluation, Part 3: Security assurance requirements, Version 2.1, 1999.
- ISO/IEC 17799:2000(E): Information technology – Code of practice for information security management, International Organization for Standardization, First edition 2000-12-01.
- Risk Management Guide for Information Technology Systems, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Special Publication 800-30, 2001.



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# Standardization In Support Of Assurance – Programming Languages

- ISO/IEC SC22 – *OWG: Vulnerabilities* (OWGV)
  - **Project 22.24772**: Guidance for Avoiding Vulnerabilities through Language Selection and Use
    - Technical Report
    - Comparative guidance spanning multiple programming languages
    - Goal: Avoidance of programming errors that lead to vulnerabilities

# Standardization In Support Of Assurance – IT Security Techniques

- **ISO/IEC 15408**, Common Criteria for IT Security Evaluation
- **ISO/IEC 15443**, FRITSA
  - Part 1: A framework for IT security assurance
  - Part 2: Assurance methods
  - Part 3: Analysis of assurance methods
- **ISO/IEC 17799:2005**, Code of Practice for Information Security Management
- **ISO/IEC DTR 19791**, Assessment of Operational Systems
- **ISO/IEC 21827**, System Security Engineering Capability Maturity Model (SSE CMM) revision
- **ISO/IEC 27000** series – Information Security Management System (ISMS)



# Standardization In Support Of Assurance – Functional Safety

- IEC SC 65A
  - **IEC 61508**, Functional Safety Of Electrical/Electronic/Programmable Electronic Safety-related Systems (7 parts)
    - Part 1: General requirements
    - Part 2: Requirements for electrical/electronic/programmable electronic safety-related systems
    - Part 3: Software requirements
    - Part 4: Definitions and abbreviations
    - Part 5: Examples of methods for the determination of safety integrity levels
    - Part 6: Guidelines on the application of IEC 61508-2 and IEC 61508-3
    - Part 7: Overview of techniques and measures
  - Risk-based approach for determining the required performance of safety-related systems

# Standardization In Support of Assurance – Dependability

- **IEC 60300** Series, Dependability Management
- **IEC 61713**, Software dependability through the software life-cycle processes- Application guide
- **IEC 60812**, Analysis techniques for system reliability - Procedure for failure mode and effects analysis (FMEA)
- **IEC 61025**, Fault tree analysis (FTA)

# Standardization In Support of Assurance – FISMA<sup>1</sup> Implementation

- **FIPS Publication 199**, Standards for Security Categorization of Federal Information and Information System (Completed)
- **FIPS Publication 200**, Minimum Security Requirements for Federal Information and Federal Information Systems (Completed)
- **NIST Special Publication 800-30, Revision 1**, Risk Assessment Guideline (Completion December 2007)
- **NIST Special Publication 800-37**, Guide for the Security Certification and Accreditation of Federal Information Systems (Completed)
- **NIST Special Publication 800-39**, NIST Risk Management Framework (Completion December 2007)
- **NIST Special Publication 800-53 Revision 1**, Recommended Security Controls for Federal Information Systems (Completed)
- **NIST Special Publication 800-53A**, Guide for Assessing the Security Controls in Federal Information Systems (Completion July 2007)
- **NIST Special Publication 800-59**, Guide for Identifying an Information System as a National Security System (Completed)
- **NIST Special Publication 800-60**, Guide for Mapping Types of Information and Information Systems to Security Categories (Completed)

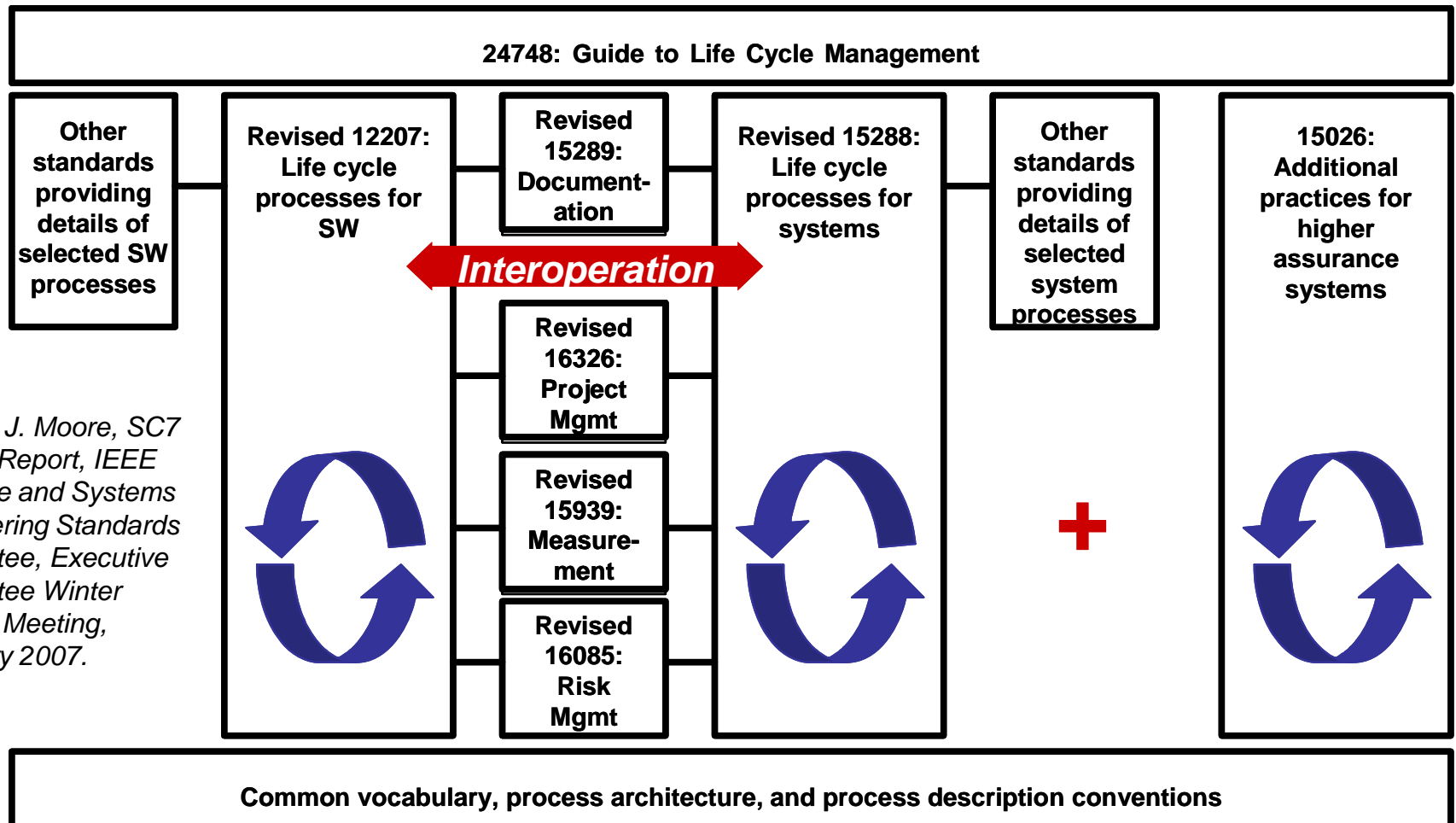
<sup>1</sup>Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002

Source: <http://csrc.nist.gov/sec-cert/ca-proj-phases.html>





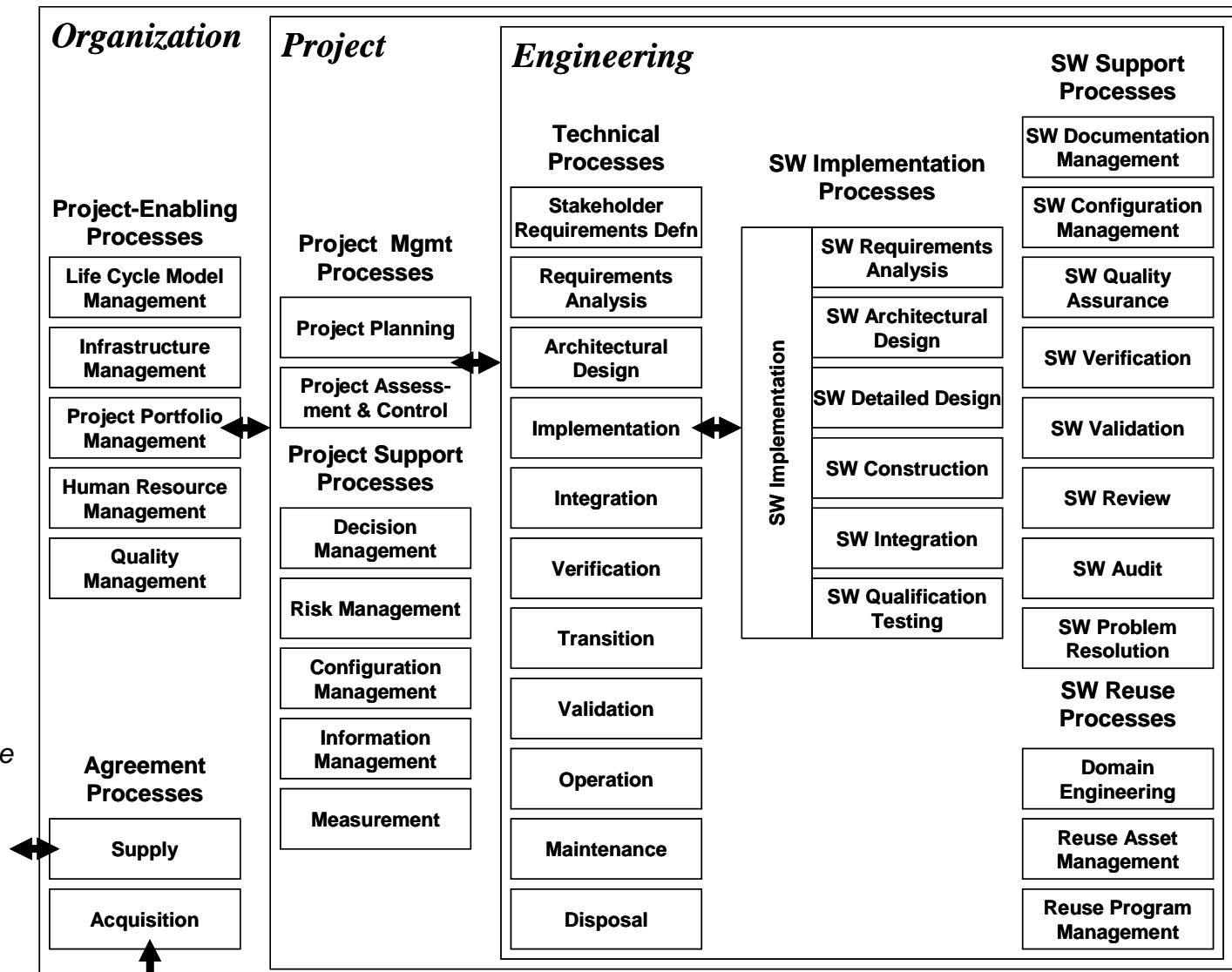
# Standardization In Support Of Assurance – Life Cycle Processes



Source: J. Moore, SC7 Liaison Report, IEEE Software and Systems Engineering Standards Committee, Executive Committee Winter Plenary Meeting, February 2007.



# 15288 And 12207 Life Cycle Processes



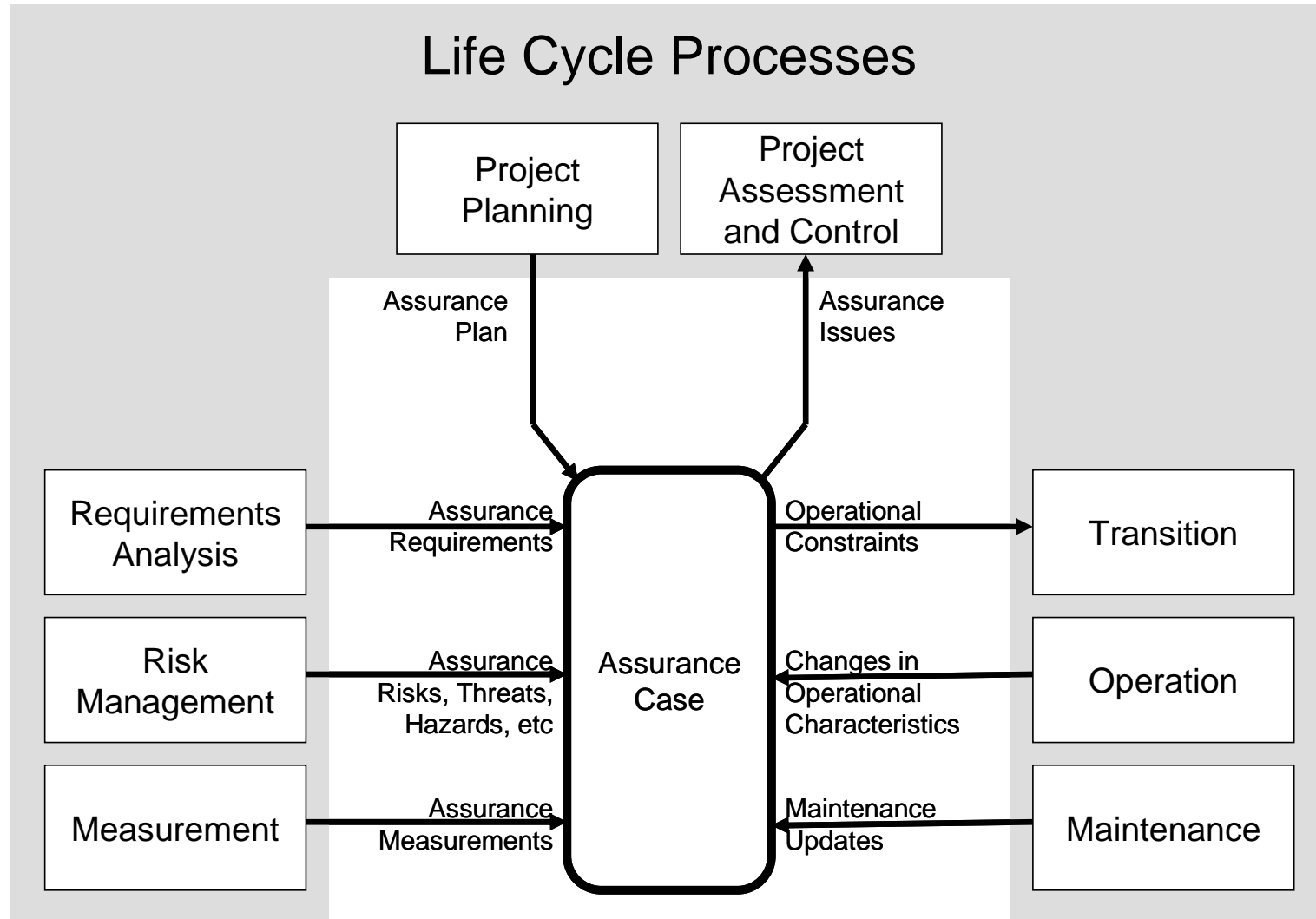
Source: ISO/IEC CD 15026/4 IEEE P15026/CD1, Systems and software engineering — Systems and software assurance



# Examples Of Additional Requirements – Risk Management

- The safety, security, or dependability risks ***shall*** be considered along with other risks in a similar, integrated fashion.
- The assurance case ***shall*** be integrated into the Risk Management process as containing essential information.

# Role Of The Assurance Case



Source: J. Moore, Proposed Revision of ISO/IEC 15026: Status Report, IEEE Software and Systems Engineering Standards Committee, Executive Committee Summer Plenary Meeting, July 2007.

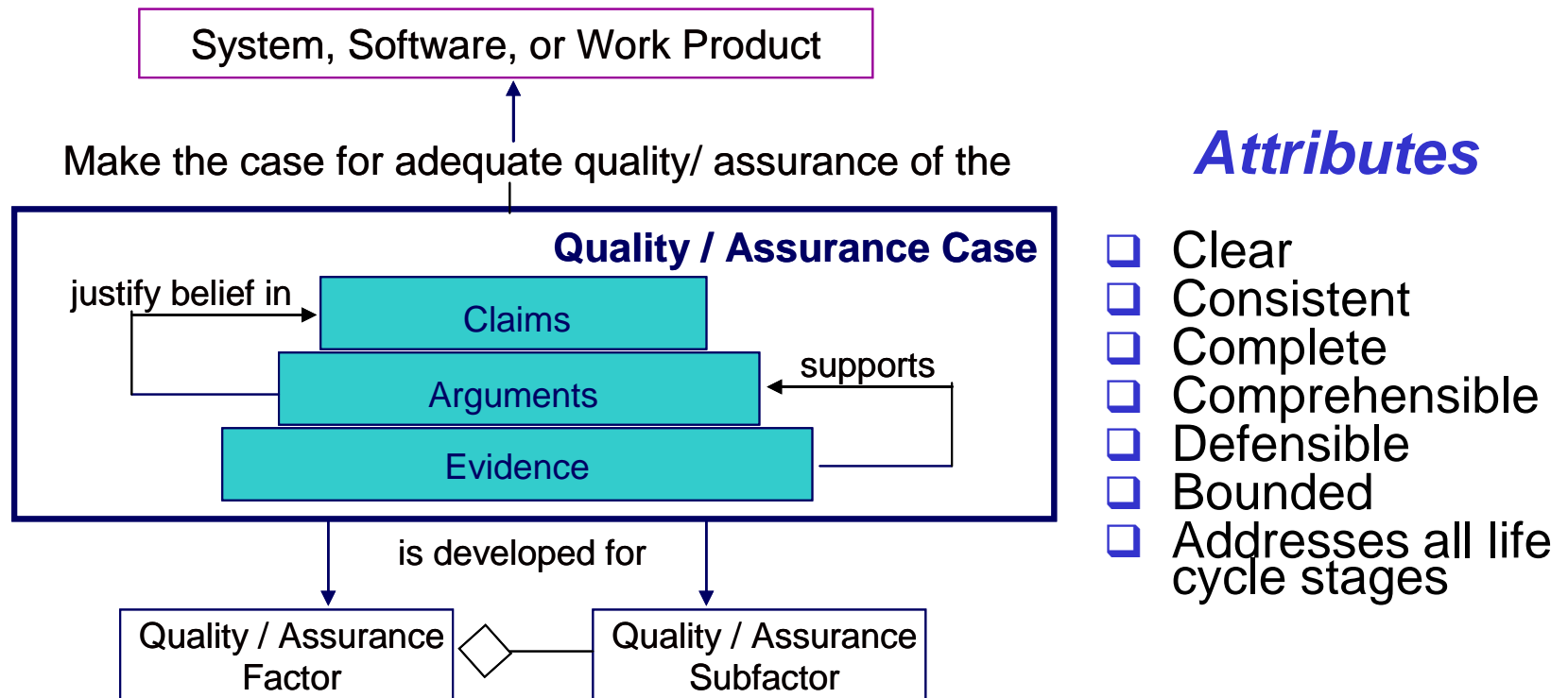


# Structure Of The Assurance Case

- Set of structured assurance claims, supported by evidence and reasoning, that demonstrates how assurance needs have been satisfied.
  - Shows compliance with assurance objectives
  - Provides an argument for the safety and security of the product or service.
  - Built, collected, and maintained throughout the life cycle
  - Derived from multiple sources
- Sub-parts
  - A high level summary
  - Justification that product or service is acceptably safe, secure, or dependable
  - Rationale for claiming a specified level of safety and security
  - Conformance with relevant standards and regulatory requirements
  - The configuration baseline
  - Identified hazards and threats and residual risk of each hazard and threat
  - Operational and support assumptions



# The Assurance Case In Relation To The Product And Its Quality/Assurance Factors

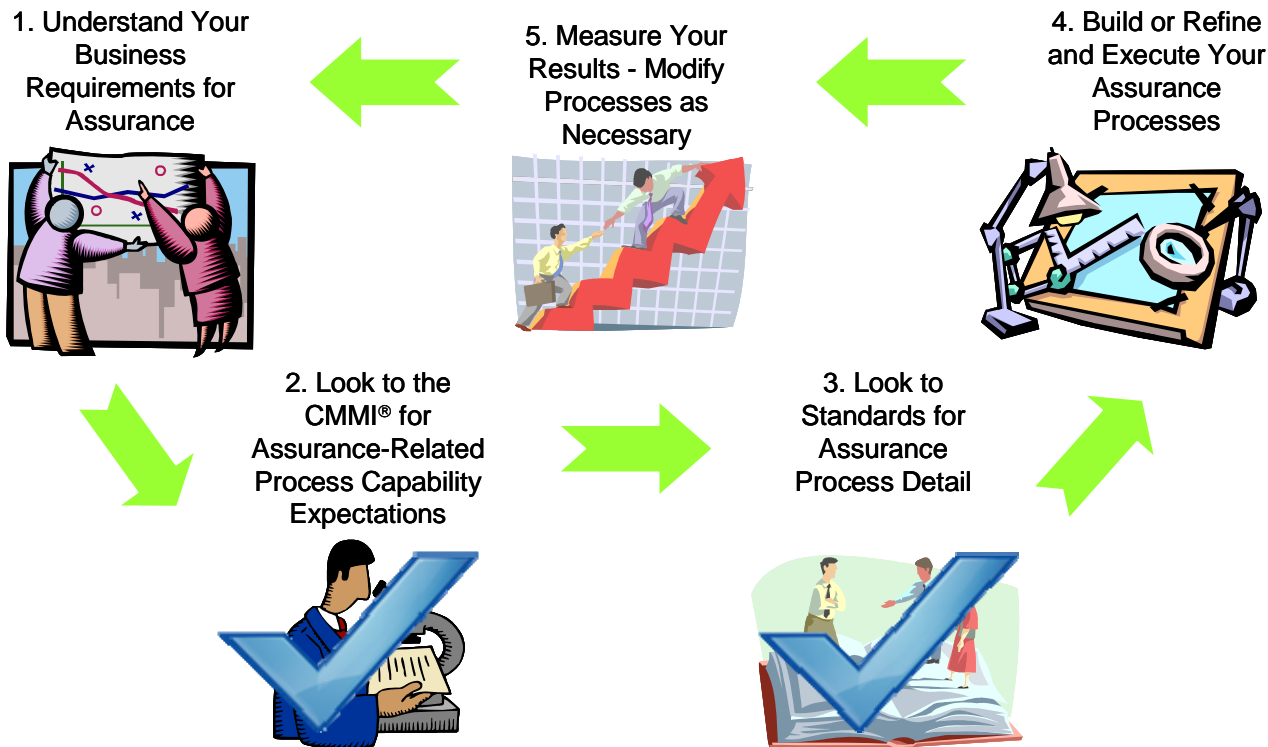


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# Summary

Adding explicit assurance-related process requirements to the CMMI® and to supporting standards facilitates the development, integration, operation, maintenance, and disposal of systems and software which meet stakeholder expectations that security, safety, and other risks are acceptable – or at least tolerable.



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