# COMP 9322
# Software Service Design and Engineering

Lecture 1 – Introduction to Service Oriented Computing

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# Outline

- Service Orientation
  - The roots, Services
  - Service Oriented Architecture
  - Service Design Principles
  - State of the Art: Web Services
- Challenges of Service Orientation
- SOA Manifesto as a Summary

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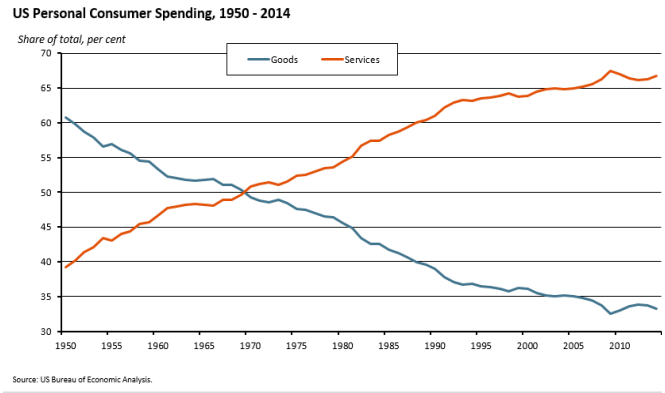
# Service in Business

- Service:
  - is the application of specialized competences (knowledge and skills), through deeds, processes, and performances for the benefit of another entity or the entity itself. LUSCH & VARGO, "The Service-Dominant Logic of Marketing". (Armonk, NY: ME Sharpe. 2006).




***Goods*** ⟷ ***Services***

| **Pure Goods** | **Core Goods** | **Core Services** | **Pure Services** |
|---|---|---|---|
| Food | Appliances | Airlines | Teaching |
| Chemicals | Automobiles | Hotels | Medical advice |

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## What does software industry produce?

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## Organization's of Yesterday

- Structured to produce goods
- Vertical Integration was the mode of operation:
  - The whole supply chain was owned by a single company.
  - Ford owned and produced everything in The Rouge
- Critical factors of production was:
  - Land, labor and capital

**The Ford River Rouge Complex:**
2.4 km x 1.6 km
93 buildings, 1.5 km2 floor space,
100,000 workers

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ford_River_Rouge_Complex

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## Discussion

- What is the most critical factor of production for a Software Start-up?

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## Organizations of Today

- The most critical factor of production is:
  - Knowledge – It is always specialized
- We need organizations to put specialized knowledge into production
- Today's organizations need to be structured around new principles:
  - Be able to change quickly
  - Be able to specialize – concentrate on a single task
  - Be able to work in closely coupled teams
    - like football/tennis team instead of a baseball team.
  - Be able to innovate systematically
- Pluralization of services
  - Knowledge organizations are necessarily decentralized
  - Command and control does not work
- Service orientation is IT`s response for these challenges
  - The software architecture follows organizational architecture

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## 'Service Orientation'

- Separation of concerns:
  - To solve a large problem decompose it into smaller related pieces.
  - Each of these pieces addresses a concern or a specific part of the problem.
- How SO achieves this separation?
  - It is like different companies producing specialized goods and services as oppose to a large vertically integrated company, like General Motors producing everything.

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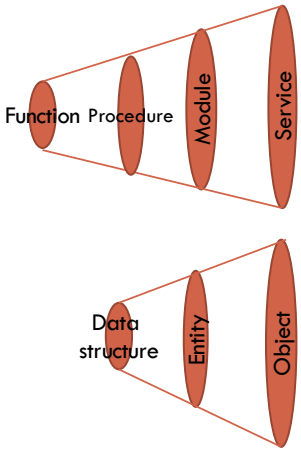
## Service is an Abstraction




- Programming abstractions:
  - Procedures
  - Modules
  - Objects
  - Components
  - Services
- Hide the details
- Decompose systems into procedures, objects, or services

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## SDLC Before Service Orientation

- The common popular approach:
  1. Identify the business tasks to be automated
     (Keeping inventory of items )
  2. Define the software requirements
     (The system shall .... Or For the user to be able to …)
  3. Build a corresponding solution logic
     (Decompose into classes including attributes and methods …)
- The benefits of the approach:
  - Solutions can be built efficiently -they are specialized
  - The business analysis effort is straightforward – well defined
  - The project management is relatively easy
  - Can take advantage of the latest technology – independent solutions

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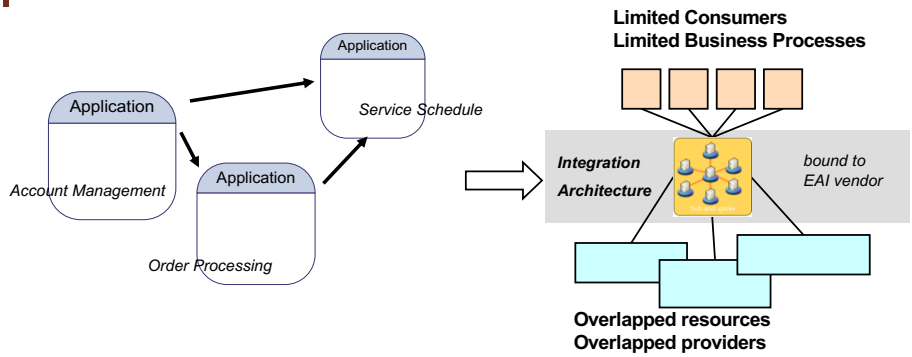
## Application Centric




**Functionality is duplicated in each application – generating a report**

EAI 'leverage' application silos with the drawback of data and function redundancy.

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## The Problems

- Significant amount of redundant functionality
  - The effort to create this functionality is also redundant.
- Significant amount of maintenance and administration effort
- Integration is a constant challenge
  - Applications not designed to accommodate interoperability requirements.
- Result in complex Infrastructures
  - Different technology platforms require different architectural requirements
  - Siloed applications lead to counter-federation
  - Evolution is a great challenge

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## Service Oriented Architecture

- Is a model in which automation logic is decomposed into smaller, distinct units of logic called services.
- Collectively, services establish a larger piece of business automation.
- Individually, services can
  - exist autonomously
  - evolve independently
- yet
  - conform to set of principles
  - maintain a degree of commonality and standardization

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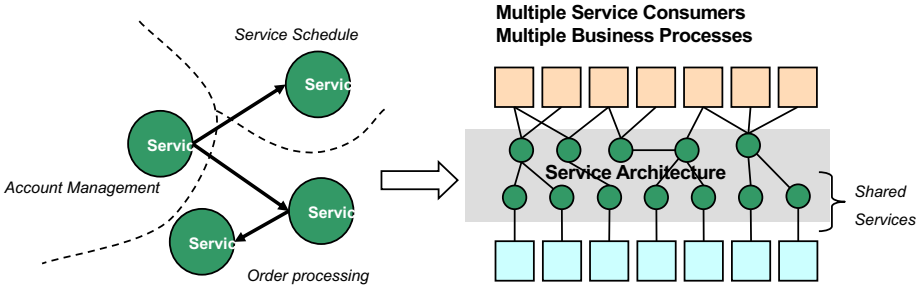
## Service Centric




**SO structures the business and its systems as a set of capabilities that are offered as Services**

Service abstracts the details of how - Enables multiple providers and consumers to participate together in shared business activities.

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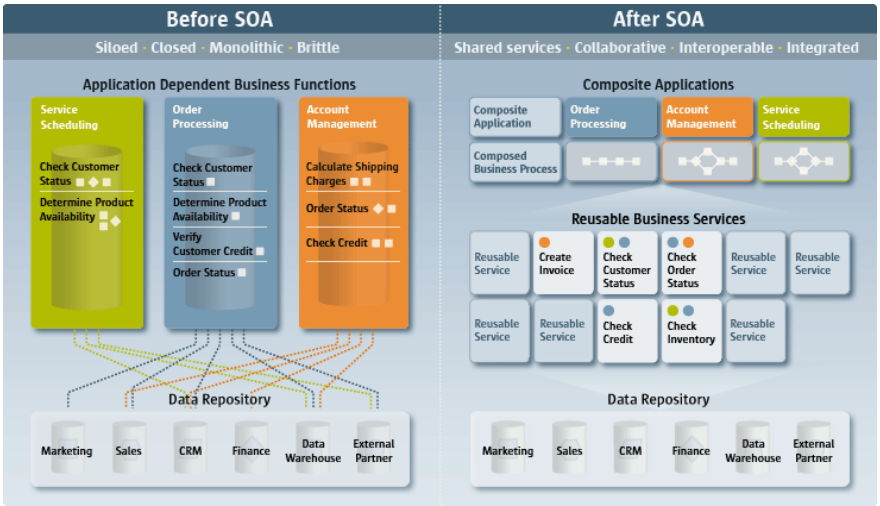
## Before and After SOA

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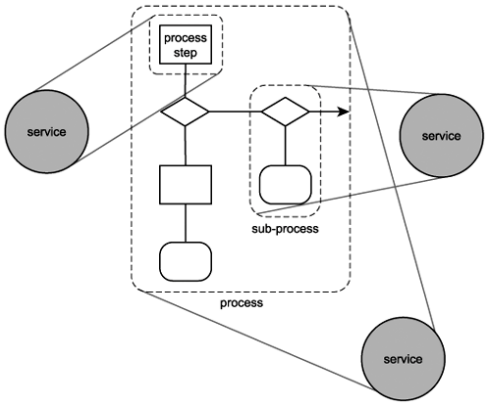
## Service Context




- Each service work in a distinct context:
  - Size might vary
  - Might require coordinated aggregation – service composition
  - To work together they should be related and communicate with each other

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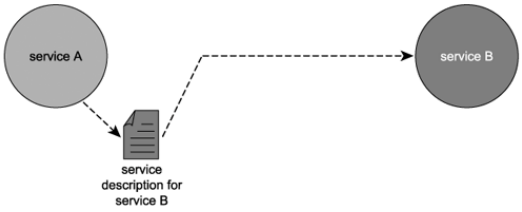
## Service Interface Description




- At the minimum:
  - the name,
  - the data expected and
  - The data returned
- If Service A knows the Service B's description Service A can communicate with Service B.

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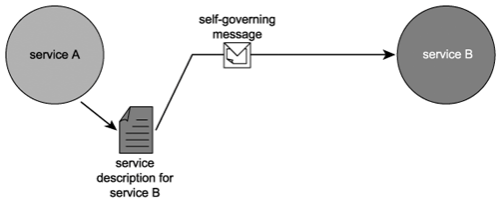
## Services Communicate




- Messages are independents units of communication
- Once the message is sent the service has no control over the message

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## Service orientation is a design paradigm

- Design Paradigm
  - bring together ideas on how to decompose and integrate components.
  - a model to define how to solve a class of problems that share a set of common characteristics.
- Expresses in terms of
  - Design Principles / Patterns
  - Components
  - Software Architecture
- Different design paradigms:
  - Object Orientation is the most frequently known
  - Structured Analysis and Design – Functional decomposition

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## Service Design Principles

- Standardized Service Contract
- Service Abstraction
- Service Loose Coupling
- Service Reusability
- Service Autonomy
- Service Statelessness
- Service Discoverability
- Service Composability

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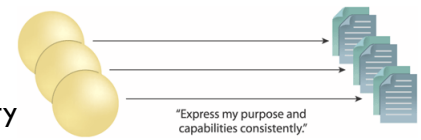
## Standardized Service Contracts

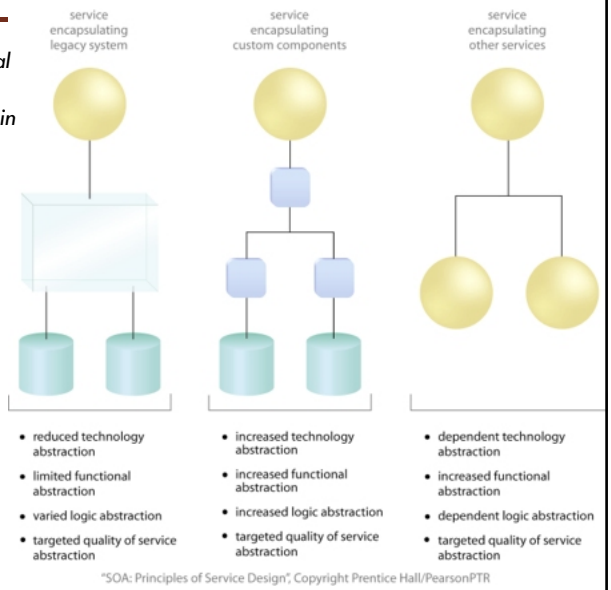
- Services express their **purpose and capabilities** via a service contract.
- Contract design emphasize:
  - How services express functionality
  - How data types and models are defined
  - How policies are attached
- It is the most fundamental principle.
  - Contract standard determines a service's public technical interface.




22 *Source: Thomas Erl*

## Service Abstraction

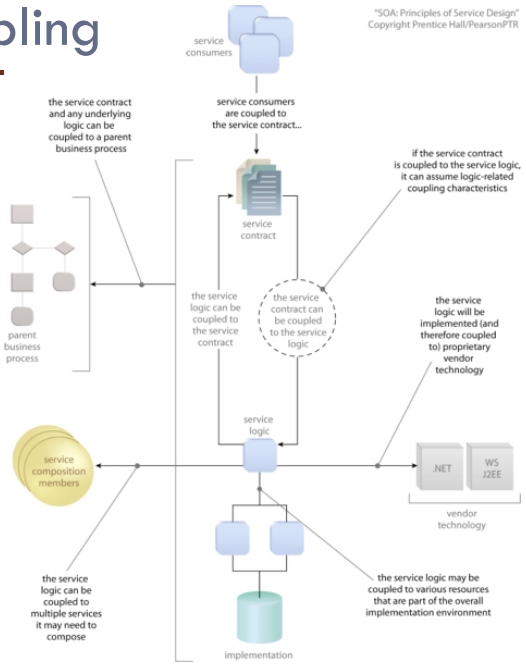
- *"Service contracts only contain essential information and information about services is limited to what is published in service contracts"*
- Avoid the proliferation of unnecessary service information, meta-data.
- Hide as much of the underlying details of a service as possible.
  - Enables and preserves the loosely coupled relationships
  - Plays a significant role in the positioning and design of service compositions





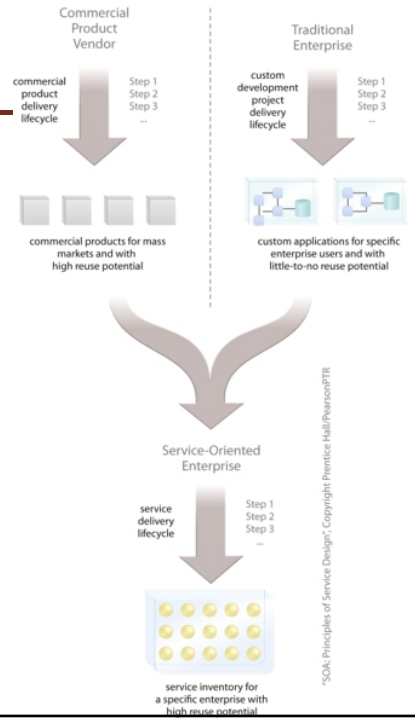

## Service Loose Coupling

- Coupling:
  - Relationship between two components
  - Dependency increase with increased/tight coupling
- Loose coupling enables:
  - Independent design, evolution



## Service Reusability

- *"Services contain and express agnostic logic and can be positioned as reusable enterprise resources."*
- Reusable services have the following characteristics:
  - Defined by an agnostic functional context
  - Logic is highly generic
  - Has a generic and extensible contract
  - Can be accessed concurrently

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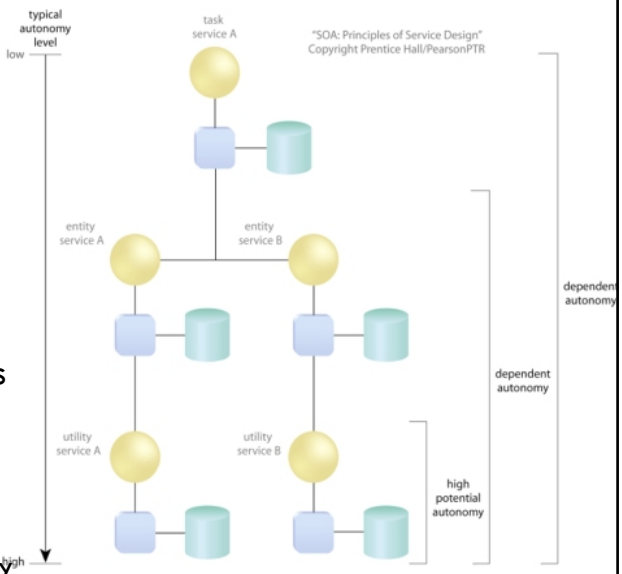
## Service Autonomy

- *"Services exercise a high level of control over their underlying runtime execution environment."*
- Autonomy:
  - the ability of a service to carry out its logic independently of outside influences
- To achieve this, services must be more isolated
- Primary benefits
  - Increased reliability
  - Behavioral predictability

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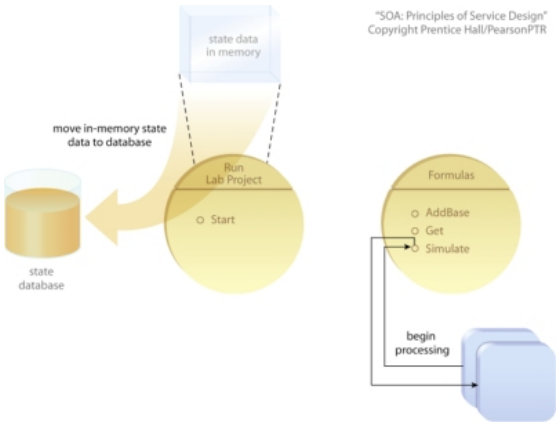
## Service Statelessness

- *"Services minimize resource consumption by deferring the management of state information when necessary."*
- Services incorporate state management deferral extensions within a service design
- Goals:
  - Increase service scalability
  - Support design of agnostic logic and improve service reuse

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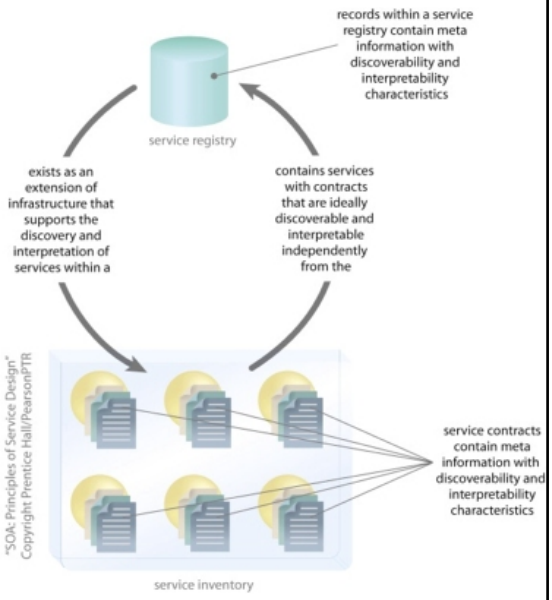
## Discoverability

- *"Services are supplemented with communicative meta data by which they can be effectively discovered and interpreted."*
- Services need to be easily:
  - Identified
  - Understood
- Service design needs to take the "communications quality» of the service into account

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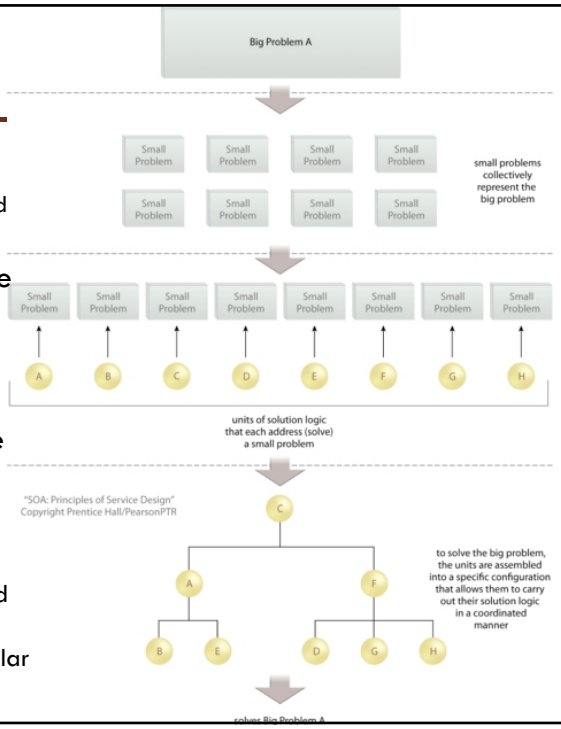
# Composability

- "Services are effective composition participants, regardless of the size and complexity of the composition."
- In the figure we solve a single problem
- Services need to be able to participate in multiple compositions to solve multiple larger problems
  - Individual processing should be highly tuned
  - Flexible service contracts should allow different types of data exchange requirements for similar functions

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# Discussion

- What is the most fundamental design principle?

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## Benefits of Service-Orientation

- Increasing Intrinsic Interoperability
- Increasing Federation
- Increasing Vendor Diversification Options
- Increasing Business and Technology Domain Alignment
- Increasing ROI
- Increasing Organizational Efficiency
- Reducing IT Burden

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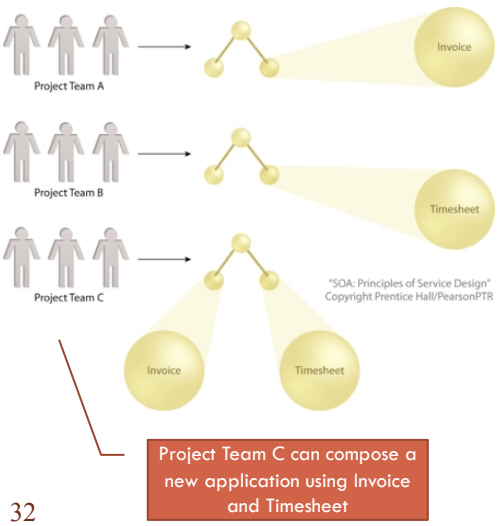
## Increased Intrinsic Interoperability




- Interoperability:
  - Is the ability to share information
- SO establish a native mechanism to share information within services.
- Design principles foster interoperability:
  - Contract standardization
  - Discoverability
  - Composability

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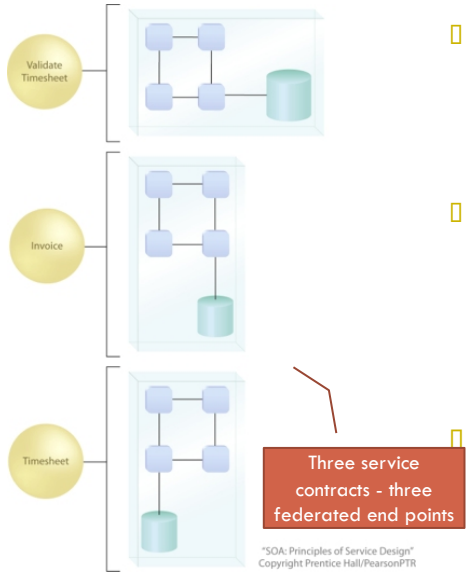
## Increased Federation




- Federation:
  - resources and applications maintaining individual autonomy.
- Service Orientation:
  - Wide spread standardized and composable services
  - Upfront standardization attention
- Design principles
  - Standardized Service Contract,
  - Loose Coupling,
  - Service Abstraction

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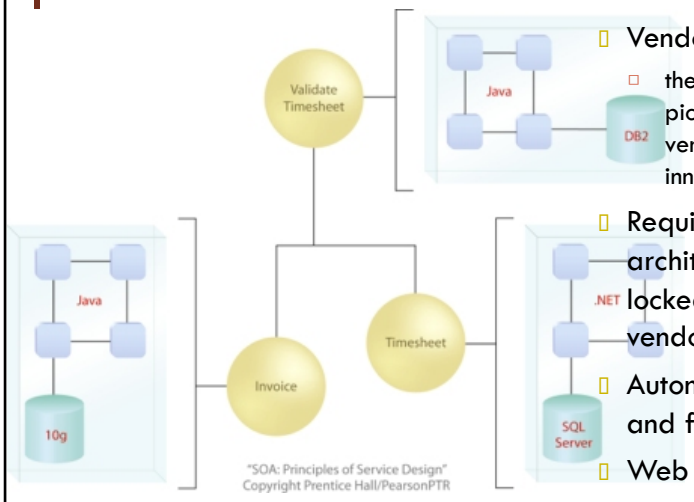
## Vendor Diversification Options




- Vendor diversification:
  - the ability of an organization to pick and choose "best-of-breed" vendor products and technology innovations
- Requires that the technology architecture not be tied or locked into any one specific vendor platform.
- Autonomy increase life span and financial return of IT.
- Web services framework supports this property.

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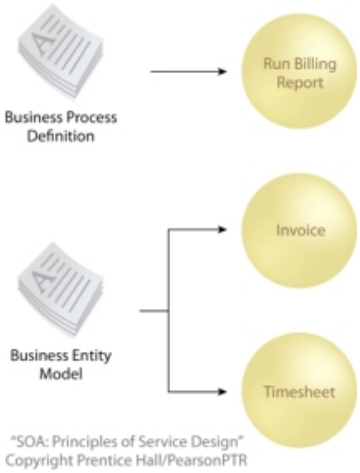
## Business and Technology Domain Alignment

- Services are identified based on the business entities and business processes.
- Service are designed to be interoperable.

→ As a consequence they are capable of aligning to new demands by means of new compositions.

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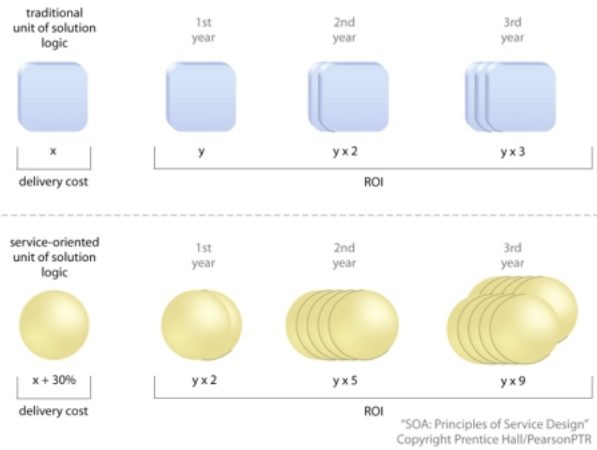
## Return On Investment

- ROI
  - is a measure to understand how cost effective the solution is
- Reusability requires investment
  - Designing the agnostic solution using service orientation principles requires more upfront effort

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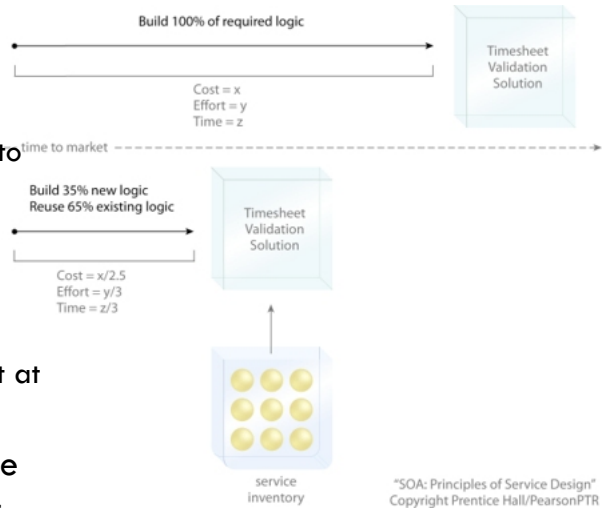
## Organizational Efficiency

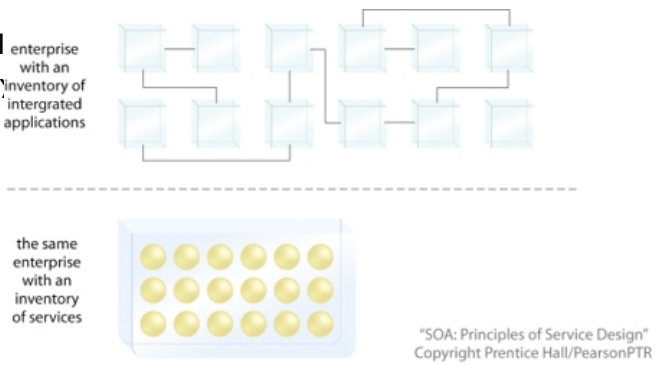
- Efficency:
  - How fast can we deliver?
  - How much we need to spend?
- We have agnostic services
  - reusable assetes reduce time and cost at the same time.
- However we increase upfront costs to built services properly






## Reduced IT Burden

- As reuse become the norm
  - The overall size will reduce considerably
- Together with it the overhead for managing multiple environments will reduce.
- Result:
  - Reduced operational costs



## What is the most important benefit from the Technical View Point?

- Increasing Intrinsic Interoperability
- Increasing Federation
- Increasing Vendor Diversification Options
- Increasing Business and Technology Domain Alignment
- Increasing ROI
- Increasing Organizational Efficiency
- Reducing IT Burden

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## State of SOA - Web Services

- SOA is agnostic to technology platforms.
  - Nevertheless, today's SOA is associated with Web: Web Services
- First generation web service platform:
  - WSDL (Web Service Description Language)- XML based interface definition language, XSD ( XML Shema Definition Language) - Specifies how to formally describe elements in XML, SOAP (Simple Object Access Platform) - Protocol specification for exchanging structured information, UDDI (Universal Description, Discovery and Integration) - XML Based registry, BP (WS-I Basic profile) - Interoperability guidance for core services
- Second generation web service platform: 2000 …
  - Extensions with quality of service related gaps. Message-level security, cross service transactions, reliable messaging. Labeled as WS-* (such as WS-Policy)
- Light weight alternatives: REST – 2008 …
  - JSON instead of XML, OpenAPI 3.0, PP communication, Based on HTTP.
- Reactive Systems: 2015 - …
  - Event based architectures

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## Web Services Architecture – 2nd Gen


- The service provider sends a WSDL file to UDDI.
- The service requester contacts UDDI to find out who is the provider and contacts the service provider using the SOAP protocol.
- The service provider validates the service request and sends data using the SOAP protocol.
- This data would be validated again by the service requester using an XSD file.

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## Challenges of Service Orientation

- Increased design complexity
- The need for design standards
- The need to identify requirements in advance
- The need for a counter-agile development approach
- The need for a specific governance structure

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## Increased Design Complexity

- Emphasis on reuse
  - Need services with agnostic logic for different potential customers.

  → Increased level of complexity for services and architectures
- Performance requirements increase
- Reliability issues at peak concurrent usage
- Single point failures – if a reused service fails all reusing services fail
- Increased demands on service hosting
- Versioning issues result in redundant contracts

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## The Need for Design Standards

- The effective use of services requires standardisation
  - It is healhty for software organizations
  - However it is not a straightforward process
    - Requires a cultural change
    - It is a social problem – most of the time not well understood and undervalued by IT organizations
- Standardization might also create a culture that resists change if you need to change the standard

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## Requirements First

- It is highly beneficial to create a blueprint for all planned services upfront.
  - Top down - waterfall like - delivery strategy.
  - High level upfront analysis effort is required.
  - Frequently the problems software solves are un-structured
    - We don't know the formulation before we have the solution
  - Using iterative development approaches might be expensive as major changes can be costly

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## Counter-Agile Approach

- Additional design considerations increases the cost and time to build the service logic.
- Together with the need for upfront requirements effort and the need for standardization the development process becomes counter agile.

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## The Need for A New Governance Structure

- Application Centric development:
  - Development by a single project team
  - Members know the problem domain well
  - Members remains to evolve the application
- Service Centric development:
  - Agnostic logic does not belong to a single process
  - Domain knowledge is lost
  - Team members do not own the service for evolution
  - A new governance model is required to maintain services

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## Discussion – How are they related?

- Principles
  1. Standardized Service Contract
  2. Service Abstraction
  3. Service Loose Coupling
  4. Service Reusability
  5. Service Autonomy
  6. Service Statelessness
  7. Service Discoverability
  8. Service Composability
- Challenges
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  4. The need for a counter-agile development approach
  5. The need for a specific governance structure

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## SOA Manifesto

- Service orientation is a paradigm that frames what you do. Service-oriented architecture (SOA) is a type of architecture that results from applying service orientation.
- We have been applying service orientation to help organizations consistently deliver sustainable business value, with increased agility and cost effectiveness, in line with changing business needs.
- Through our work we have come to prioritize:
  - **Business value** over technical strategy
  - **Strategic goals** over project-specific benefits
  - **Intrinsic interoperability** over custom integration
  - **Shared services** over specific-purpose implementations
  - **Flexibility** over optimization
  - **Evolutionary refinement** over pursuit of initial perfection

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## *We follow these principles:*

- Respect the social and power structure of the organization.
- Recognize that SOA ultimately demands change on many levels.
- The scope of SOA adoption can vary. Keep efforts manageable and within meaningful boundaries.
- Products and standards alone will neither give you SOA nor apply the service orientation paradigm for you.
- SOA can be realized through a variety of technologies and standards.
- Establish a uniform set of enterprise standards and policies based on industry, de facto, and community standards.
- Pursue uniformity on the outside while allowing diversity on the inside.
- Identify services through collaboration with business and technology stakeholders.
- Maximize service usage by considering the current and future scope of utilization.
- Verify that services satisfy business requirements and goals.
- Evolve services and their organization in response to real use.
- Separate the different aspects of a system that change at different rates.
- Reduce implicit dependencies and publish all external dependencies to increase robustness and reduce the impact of change.
- At every level of abstraction, organize each service around a cohesive and manageable unit of functionality.

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## Reading assignment

- Discuss in at most one page:
  - What is the mismatch between today`s organizations and big software?
  - What is taking place of the big software?
- https://cacm.acm.org/magazines/2017/12/223060-the-death-of-big-software/fulltext

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