

# COMP2332: Enterprise Healthcare Business Process Modelling

## Business Process Modelling Notation (BPMN 2.0)

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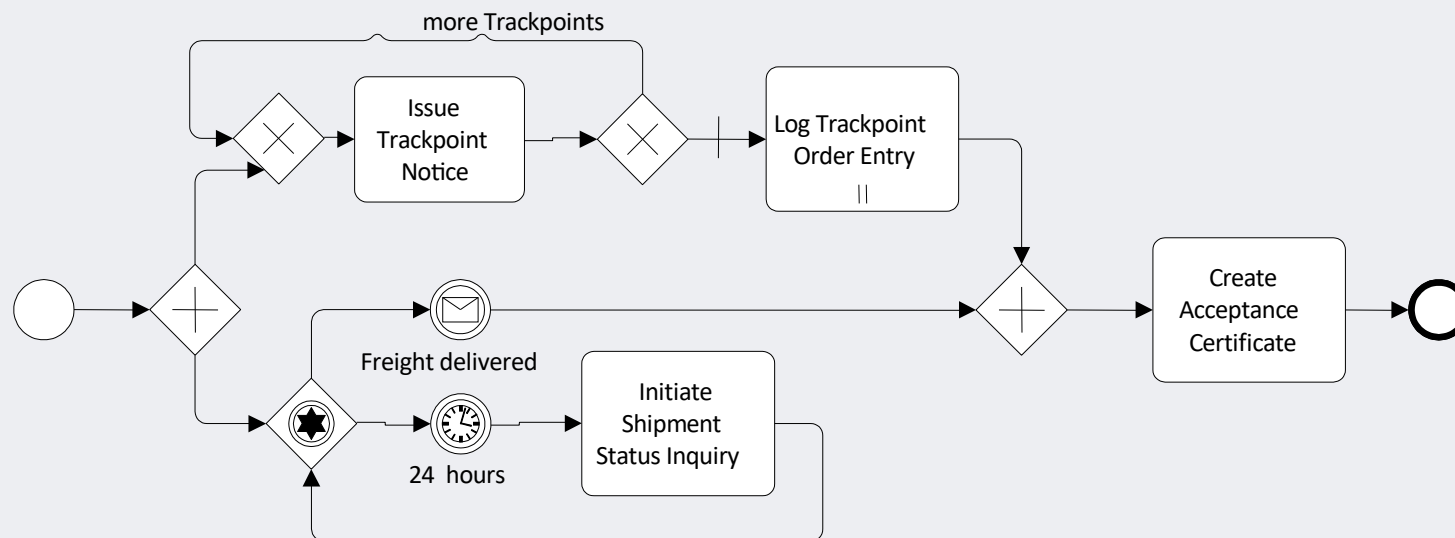
# Business Process Modelling Notations

- Introduction and Purpose
- Motivation
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- BPMN- diagrams
- BPMN vs YAWL
- Modelling in BMPN

# BPMN

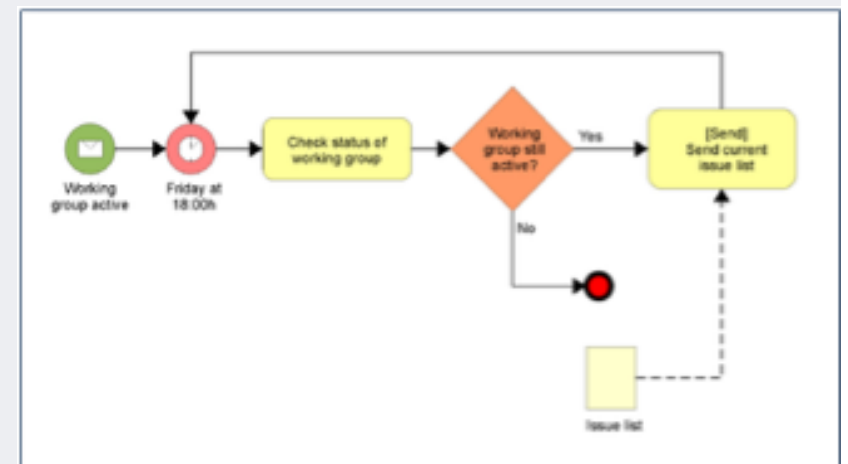
## The Business Process Modelling Notation (BPMN)

- Graphical notation for *conceptual* processes
- Covers control, data, authorization, exception
- An 'industry standard' process modelling technique- Standardized by OMG
- Developed by Business Process Management Initiative ([www.BPMN.org](http://www.BPMN.org))



# BPMN

- BPMN is a graphical representation for specifying business processes in a workflow
- BPMN was developed by Business Process Management Initiative (BPMI)
- BPMN is currently maintained by the Object Management Group (OMG) since 2005
- BPMN 2.0 published 2010
- Tool support: (> 60 tools?)
  - Drawing tools
  - Repository based modelling tools



# BPMN: Purpose

- to provide a notation that is easily **understandable** by all business users: business analysts, Business managers, business executive.
- to support the notation with an internal model that has formal **execution semantics**.
- to provide a standard interchange format for **transfer** of process and interaction models.
- to create a standardized bridge between the business process **design** and process **implementation**.

# Why BPMN?

- Standard notation
- Model concepts and/or implementation of business process
- Models high-level process concepts
- Notation is not complex

# Issues with BPMN

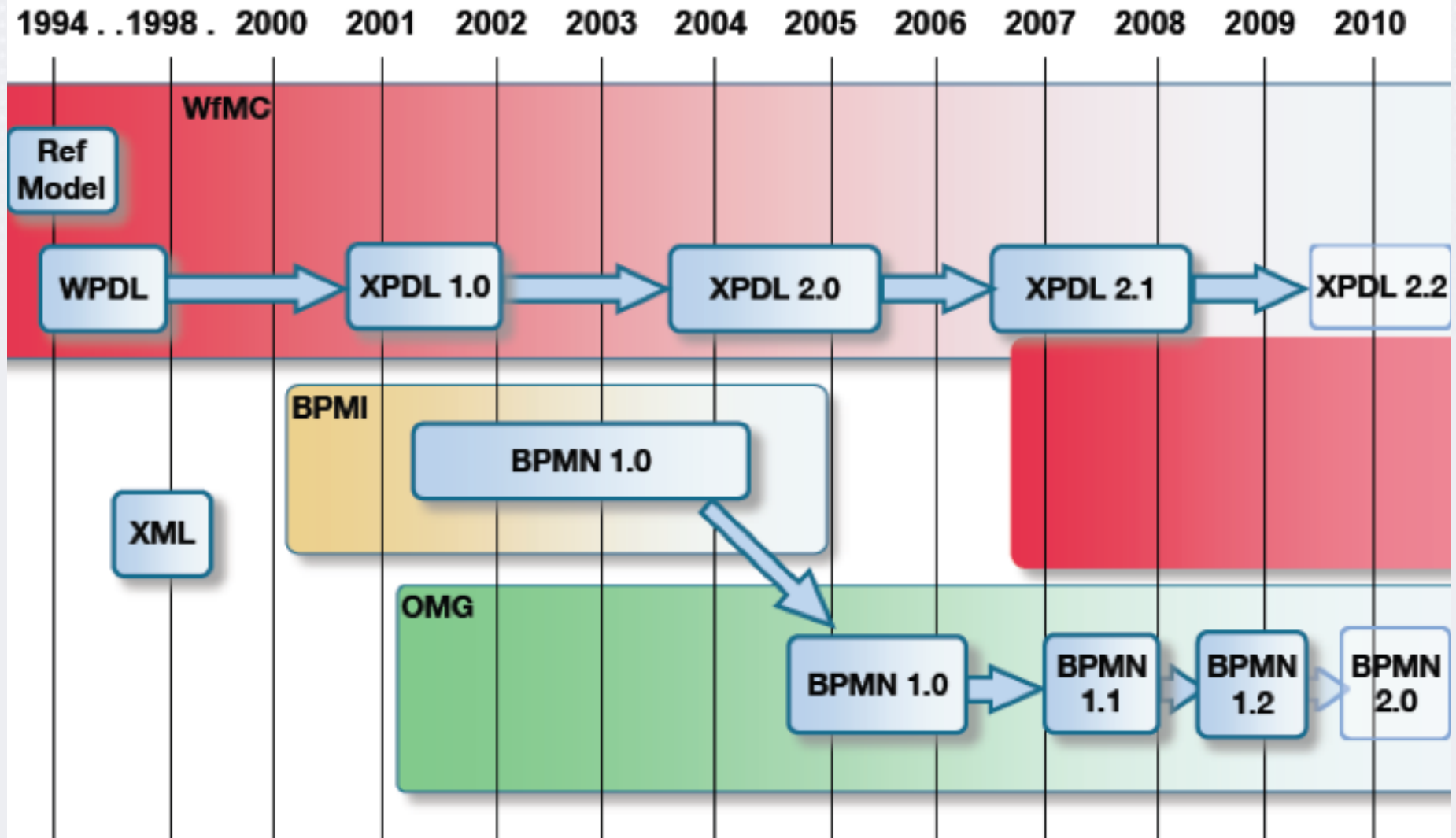
- Limited complexity
- Process/conversation oriented
- Very high level
- Cannot see details of tasks or data

# How Can BPMN help in improving processes?

- Modelling the As-Is business processes
- Identifying areas of improvement
- Discovering reusable business services
- Modelling the To-Be business processes
- Discovering web services
- Helping in the implementation of needed web services



# BPMN History

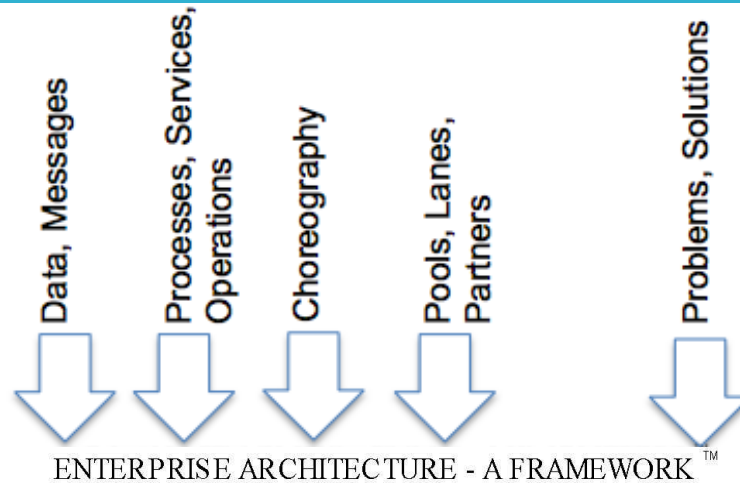


# BPMN 2.0

- The BPMN 1.0 specification did not formally define the **semantics** of the Business Process Diagram.
- BPMN 2.0 partially solves this, and also contains significant changes, including:
  - New event types: parallel multiple events.
  - Parallel event-based gateway.
  - Event sub-processes only carried out when an event occurs.
  - Updates on collaboration modelling.
  - Two new diagram types:
    - (a) Choreography diagram: modelling data exchange between partners, where each data exchange is modelled as an activity.
    - (b) Conversation diagram: an overview of several partners and their links.

# What can BPMN Represent?

## Level of Detail?



Level 1: Conceptual, Descriptive

Level 2: Logical, Analytical

Level 3: Physical, Executable



	DATA <i>What</i>	FUNCTION <i>How</i>	NETWORK <i>Where</i>	PEOPLE <i>Who</i>	TIME <i>When</i>	MOTIVATION <i>Why</i>	
SCOPE (CONTEXTUAL) <i>Flavor</i>	List of Things Important to the Business 	List of Processes the Business Performs 	List of Locations in which the Business Operates 	List of Organizations Important to the Business 	List of Events Significant to the Business 	List of Business Goals/Strat. Critical Success Factors 	SCOPE (CONTEXTUAL) <i>Flavor</i>
ENTERPRISE MODEL (CONCEPTUAL) <i>Owner</i>	e.g. Semantic Model  Ent = Business Entity Rel = Business Relationship	e.g. Business Process Model  Proc = Business Process IO = Business Resources	e.g. Logistics Network  Node = Business Location Link = Business Linkage	e.g. Work Flow Model  People = Organization Unit Work = Work Product	e.g. Master Schedule  Time = Business Event Cycle = Business Cycle	e.g. Business Plan  End = Business Objective Means = Business Strategy	ENTERPRISE MODEL (CONCEPTUAL) <i>Owner</i>
SYSTEM MODEL (LOGICAL) <i>Designer</i>	e.g. Logical Data Model  Ent = Data Entity Rel = Data Relationship	e.g. "Application Architecture"  Proc = Application Function IO = User Views	e.g. "Distributed System Architecture"  Node = IS Function Processor, Storage, etc. Link = Line Characteristics	e.g. Human Interface Architecture  People = Role Work = Deliverable	e.g. Processing Structure  Time = System Event Cycle = Processing Cycle	e.g. Business Rule Model  Ent = Structural Assertion Means = Action/Assertion	SYSTEM MODEL (LOGICAL) <i>Designer</i>
TECHNOLOGY MODEL (PHYSICAL) <i>Builder</i>	e.g. Physical Data Model  Ent = Segment/Table/etc. Rel = Pointer/Key/etc.	e.g. "System Design"  Proc = Computer Function IO = Screen/Device Formats	e.g. "System Architecture"  Node = Hardware/System Software Link = Line Specifications	e.g. Presentation Architecture  People = User Work = Screen Format	e.g. Control Structure  Time = Execute Cycle Cycle = Component Cycle	e.g. Rule Design  Ent = Condition Means = Action	TECHNOLOGY MODEL (PHYSICAL) <i>Builder</i>
DETAILED REPRESENTATIONS (OUT-OF-CONTEXT) <i>Sub-Contractor</i>	e.g. Data Definition  Ent = Field Rel = Address	e.g. "Program"  Proc = Language Stmt IO = Control Block	e.g. "Network Architecture"  Node = Addresses Link = Protocols	e.g. Security Architecture  People = Identity Work = Job	e.g. Timing Definition  Time = Interrupt Cycle = Sequence Cycle	e.g. Rule Specification  Ent = Sub-condition Means = Step	DETAILED REPRESENTATIONS (OUT-OF-CONTEXT) <i>Sub-Contractor</i>
FUNCTIONING ENTERPRISE	e.g. DATA	e.g. FUNCTION	e.g. NETWORK	e.g. ORGANIZATION	e.g. SCHEDULE	e.g. SITUATION	FUNCTIONING ENTERPRISE

Business Process Redesign

- Effectiveness
- To do the right things
- Efficiency
- To do things right

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# BPMN Diagrams

- **Process** – Flow of activity, decisions, data and events
- **Collaboration** – Conversations and interactions (also process)
- **Choreography** – Tasks performed by participants and how participants coordinate interactions via messages.

# BPMN – Basic Elements

- Flow Objects.
  - Events
  - Activities
  - Gateways
- Data Objects.
  - Data objects
  - Data inputs
  - Data outputs
  - Data stores

# Basic BPMN Design Elements

## Flow Objects



Event



Activity



Gateway

## Connecting Objects



SequenceFlow



MessageFlow



Association

## Data Objects & Artifacts

DataObject



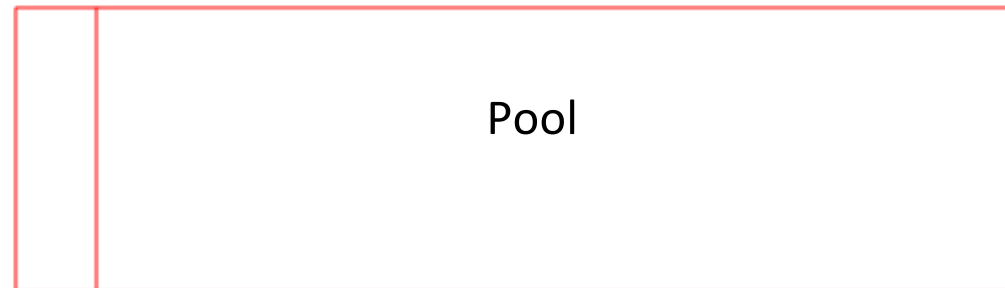
DataStore



Group

Text Annotation

## Swimlanes




Pool



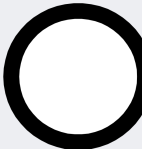
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# Flow Objects: Events

Element	Description	Icon
<i>Event</i>	<p>An event is something that happens during the course of a process or choreography. Events usually have a cause (trigger) and/or an impact. There are three main types of events: Start, Intermediate and Final. The Start and some Intermediate Events have “triggers” that define the cause of the Event.</p> <p>Each of these can be decomposed in different types: Message, Timer, Error, Escalation, Cancel, Compensation, Conditional, Link, Signal, Terminate, Multiple, Parallel Multiple. Intermediate events can be attached to activities (<i>boundary event</i>).</p>	 <p><i>Start</i></p> <p><i>Intermediate</i></p> <p><i>End</i></p>

*Start Event*  **Something happens that triggers the start of a process.**

*Intermediate Event*  **Happens During a process, the next step must wait for something to happen.**

*End Event*  **A point when the process may stop.**

Start Events and Intermediate Events can be

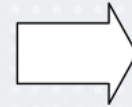
**Interrupting and Non-interrupting.**



# Types of Events: Examples



Message



Link

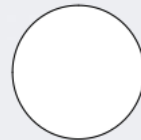


Time



Error

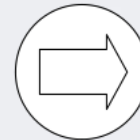
## Valid combinations of Event Category & Type



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type



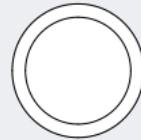
Start  
message



Start  
link



Start  
time



No  
Type



Intermediate  
message



Intermediate  
link



Intermediate  
time



Intermediate  
error



No  
type



End  
message



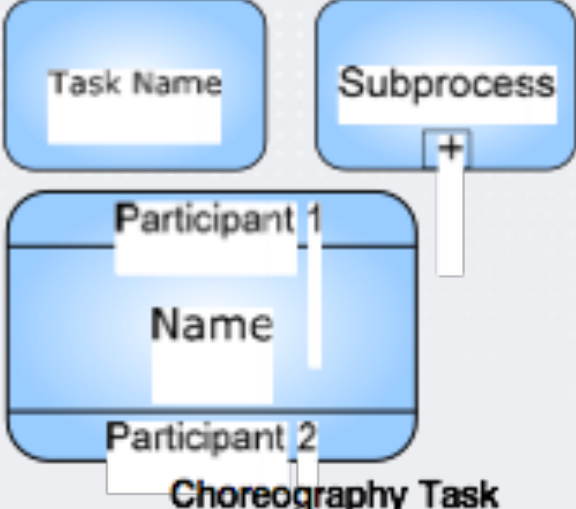
End  
link



End  
error




# Flow Objects: Activity

<i>Activity</i>	<p>An Activity represents the work to be performed in a Process. It can be atomic (task) or compound (subprocess).</p> <p>The tasks can be simple or choreography ones which represent a set of one or more message exchanges and which involves two participants.</p>	 <p>The diagram illustrates three types of activity flow objects: 1. A 'Task Name' object, represented as a rounded rectangle with a white label. 2. A 'Subprocess' object, represented as a rounded rectangle with a white label and a small '+' icon on its right side. 3. A 'Choreography Task' object, represented as a rounded rectangle divided into three horizontal sections: the top section is labeled 'Participant 1', the middle section is labeled 'Name', and the bottom section is labeled 'Participant 2'. A white label 'Choreography Task' is positioned below the object.</p>
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# Flow Objects: Gateway

	<p>A Gateway is used to control the divergence and convergence of Sequence Flows in a Process and in a Choreography. In their convergence version they have one-ingoing sequence flow and several outgoing flows whereas in their divergence version they have several ingoing flows and one outgoing flow.</p>
<p><i>Gateways</i></p>	<p><b>Exclusive (XOR)</b>, which represents an exclusive decision, i.e. only one outgoing flow is activated. The decision can be evaluated depending on data or events.</p> <p><b>Parallel (AND)</b>, in which all outgoing flows are activated in parallel.</p> <p><b>Inclusive (OR)</b>, in which each outgoing flow is activated depending on the evaluation of its associated condition. It implies that as a result one or several outgoing flows can be activated.</p> <p><b>Complex</b>, which can be used to model the behavior of more complex synchronizations for which an activation condition is used.</p> <div data-bbox="1265 534 1892 1316"><p>The diagram illustrates the symbols for four gateway types, each with a Data and an Event variant:</p><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Exclusive:</b> Data is represented by an empty diamond; Event is represented by a diamond with an 'X' inside.</li><li><b>Parallel:</b> Data is represented by a diamond with a '+' sign inside; Event is represented by a diamond with a pentagon inside.</li><li><b>Inclusive:</b> Data is represented by a diamond with a circle inside; Event is represented by a diamond with a plus sign inside.</li><li><b>Complex:</b> Represented by a diamond with an asterisk inside.</li></ul></div>

# Activities

 **Activity** is a generic term for work that a company performs in a Process. An Activity can be **atomic** or **non-atomic**.

The type of activities that are part of the process are: **Task** and **Sub-Process**.

A task can be differentiated by markers that represent its type or associated resource.

Sub-Process can be Collapsed or Expanded, and can be differentiated by the kind of elements that join in: **Sub-process**, **Transactions**, **Event Sub Process** and **Call Activities**.

