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# Development, Deployment, and Runtime of Context-Aware Software Systems

„Role-based Software Infrastructures (RoSI), funded by DFG

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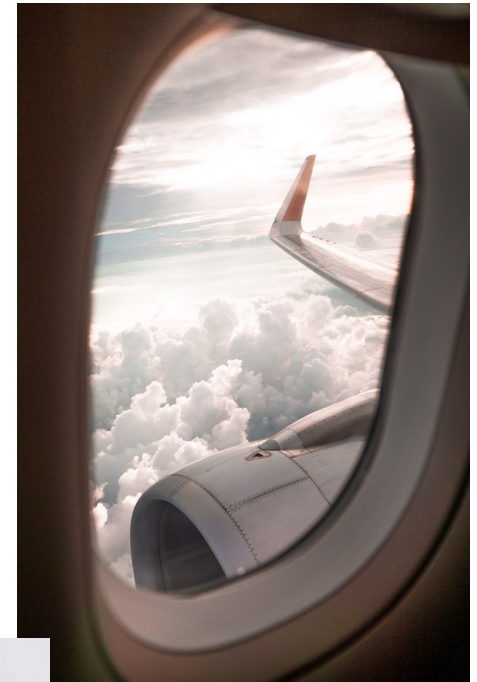
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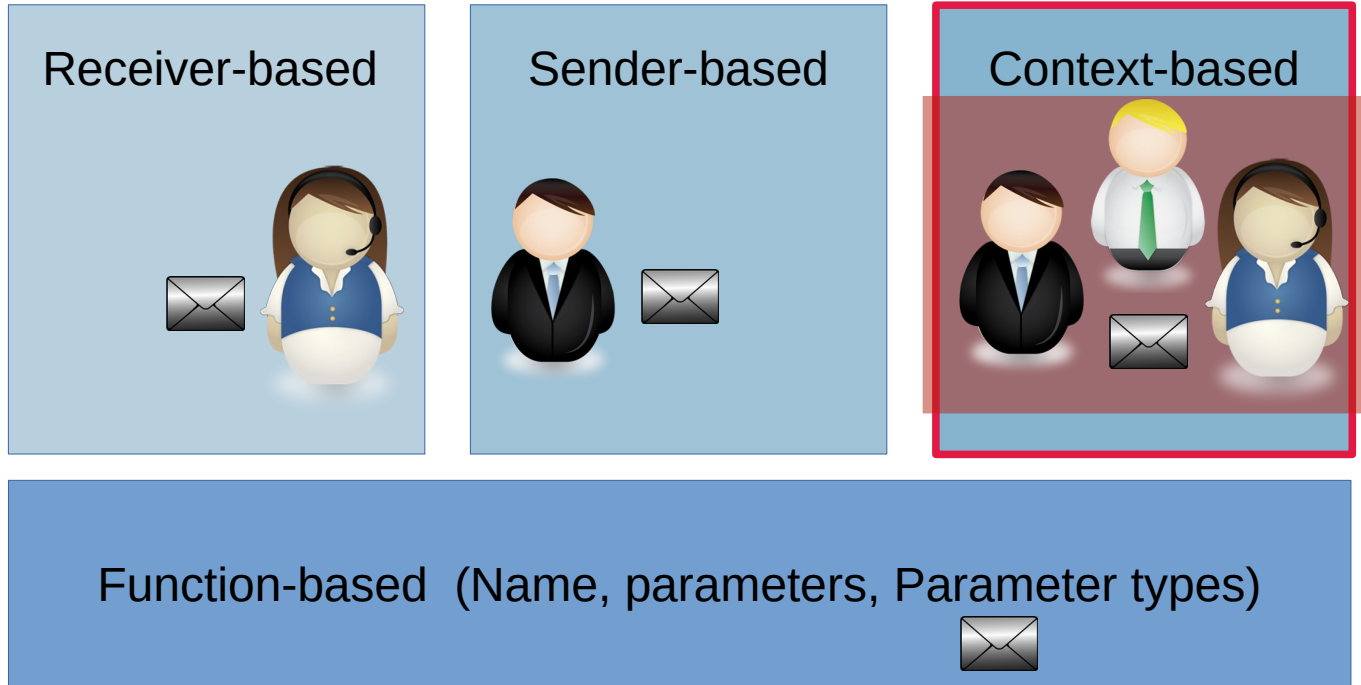
# Welcome to RoSI Summer School

- „ever-changing contexts“
  - Mobility
  - Personalization
  - Resource availability
- How to realize
  - Adaptation to change of context?
  - Context polymorphism?



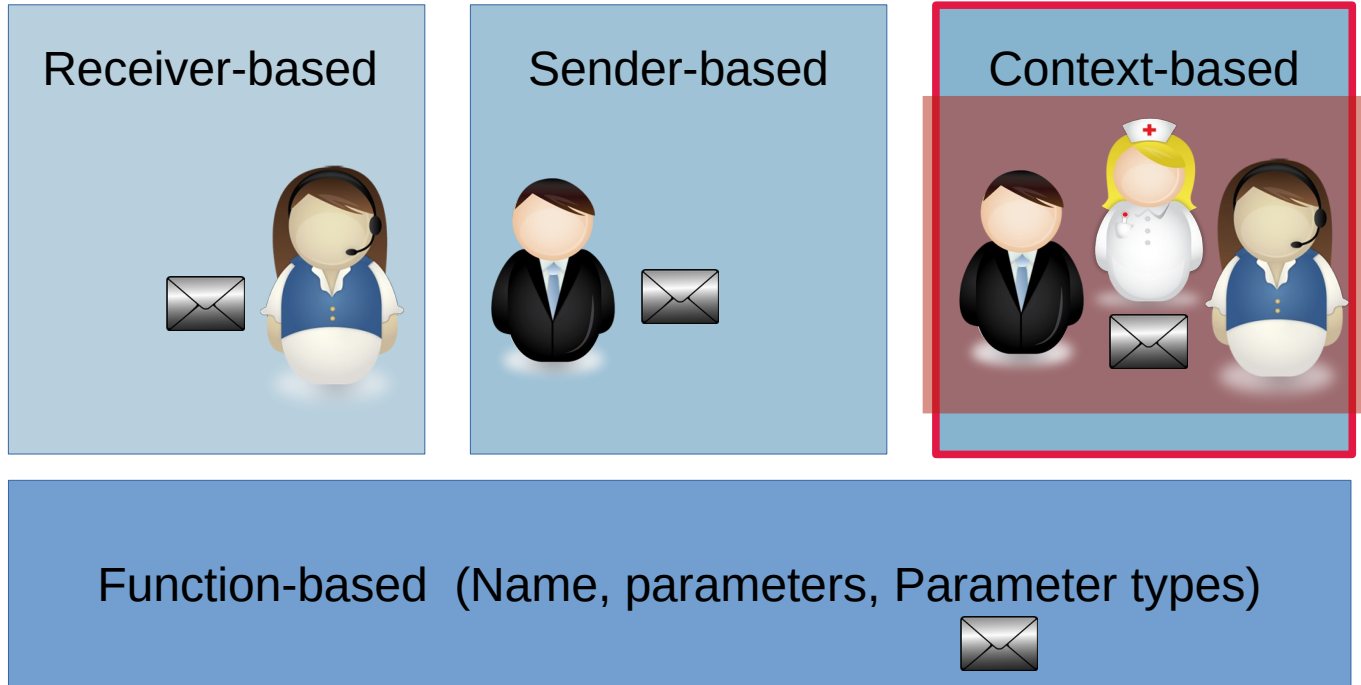
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# New Application Areas of ROSI

- Roles for context-sensitive cyber-physical systems (CPS)
  - Hypothesis: Role-contracts for safety and security
- Roles for emergence in Systems-of-Systems (SoS)
  - Hypothesis: Role models for unforeseen emergence

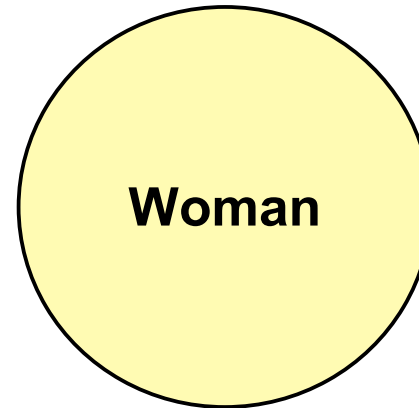
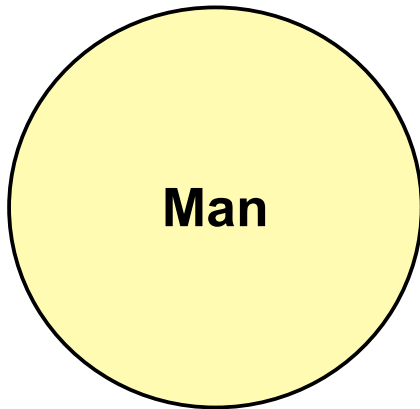
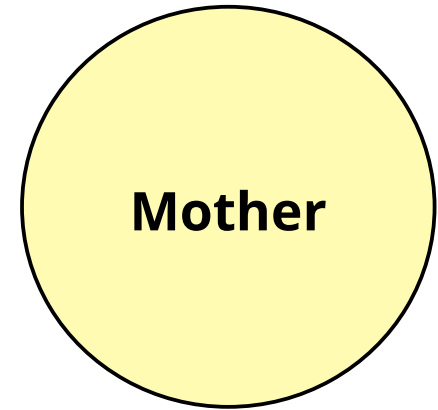
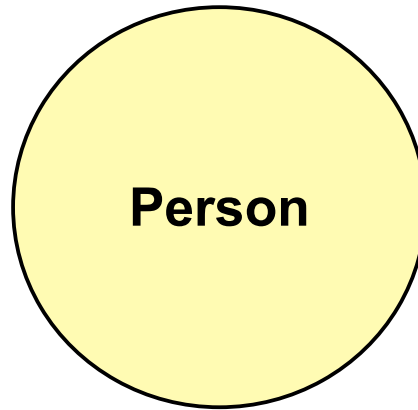
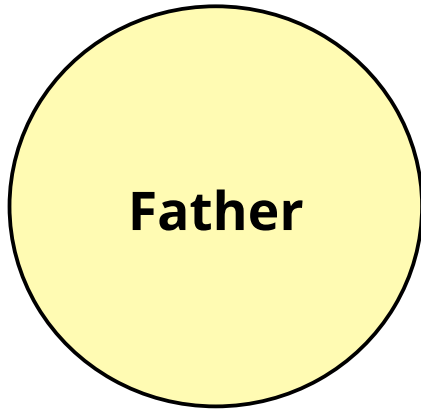


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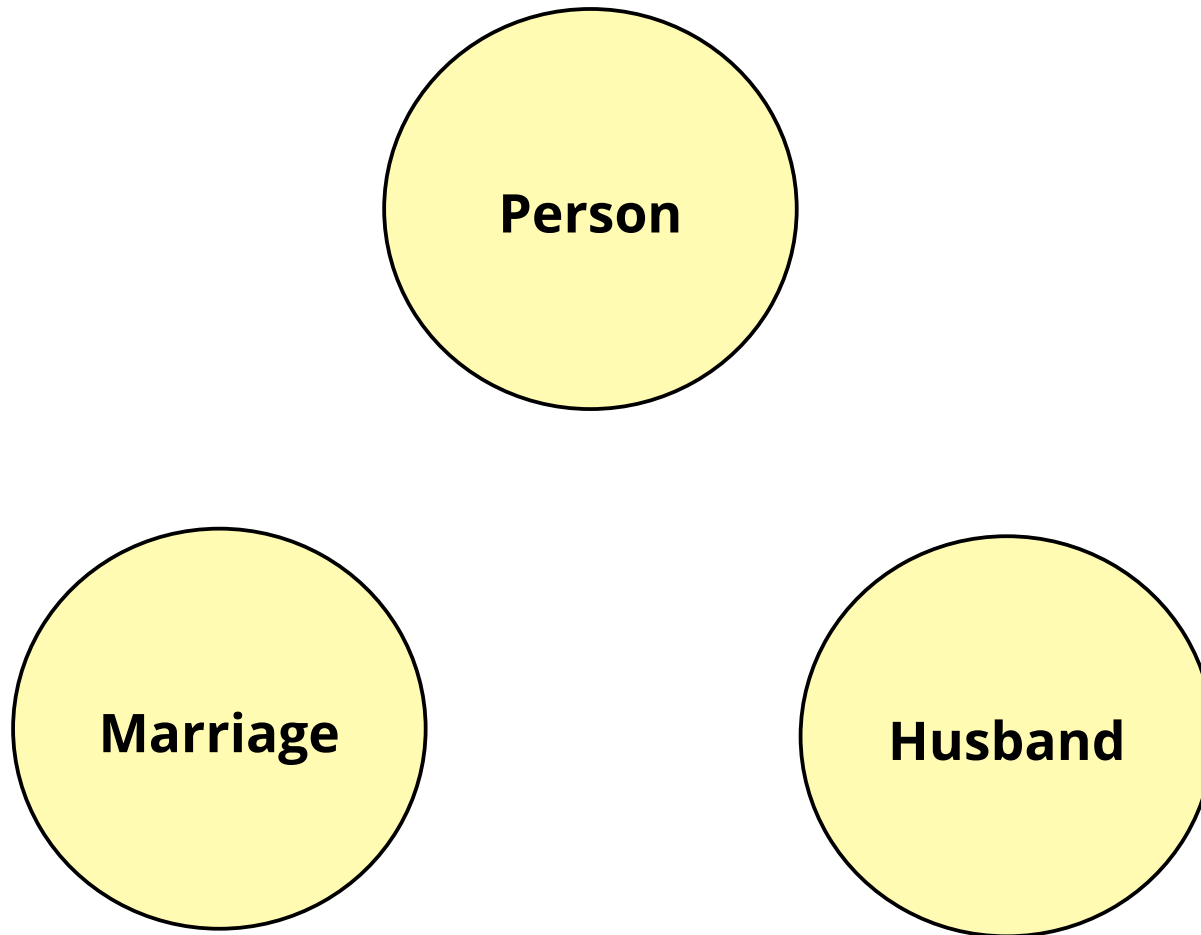


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## A Riddle..



## Another Riddle..





# Program

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09:00	Uwe Assmann, TU Dresden	Christian S. Jensen, Aalborg Universitet	Stefan Marr, University of Kent	Introduction to Role-based Modeling with CROM	Introduction to Role-oriented Programming with SCROLL	Departure from Dresden
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10:00						
10:30	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	
11:00	Ralf Laemmel, Facebook London/Uni Koblenz-Landau	Christian S. Jensen	Stefan Marr	Designing Reusable Design Patterns with CROM	Developing Context-aware Application with SCROLL	
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12:30	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
13:00	Poster-Session	Poster-Session	Transport to Dresden	Introduction to FRaMED 2.0	Role-based Software Engineering	
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14:00	Friedrich Steimann	Jonathan Goldstein		Break	Break	
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15:00	Coffee-Break	Coffee-Break		Tailoring FRaMED to your needs.	Creating a context for your needs	
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16:00	Friedrich Steimann, FernUni Hagen	Jonathan Goldstein, Microsoft Research, Redmond				
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17:30	Dinner	Dinner		Dinner	Dinner	
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# Role-Oriented Context-Aware Software Infrastructures (ROSI)

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16.09.19

# Overview of Talk

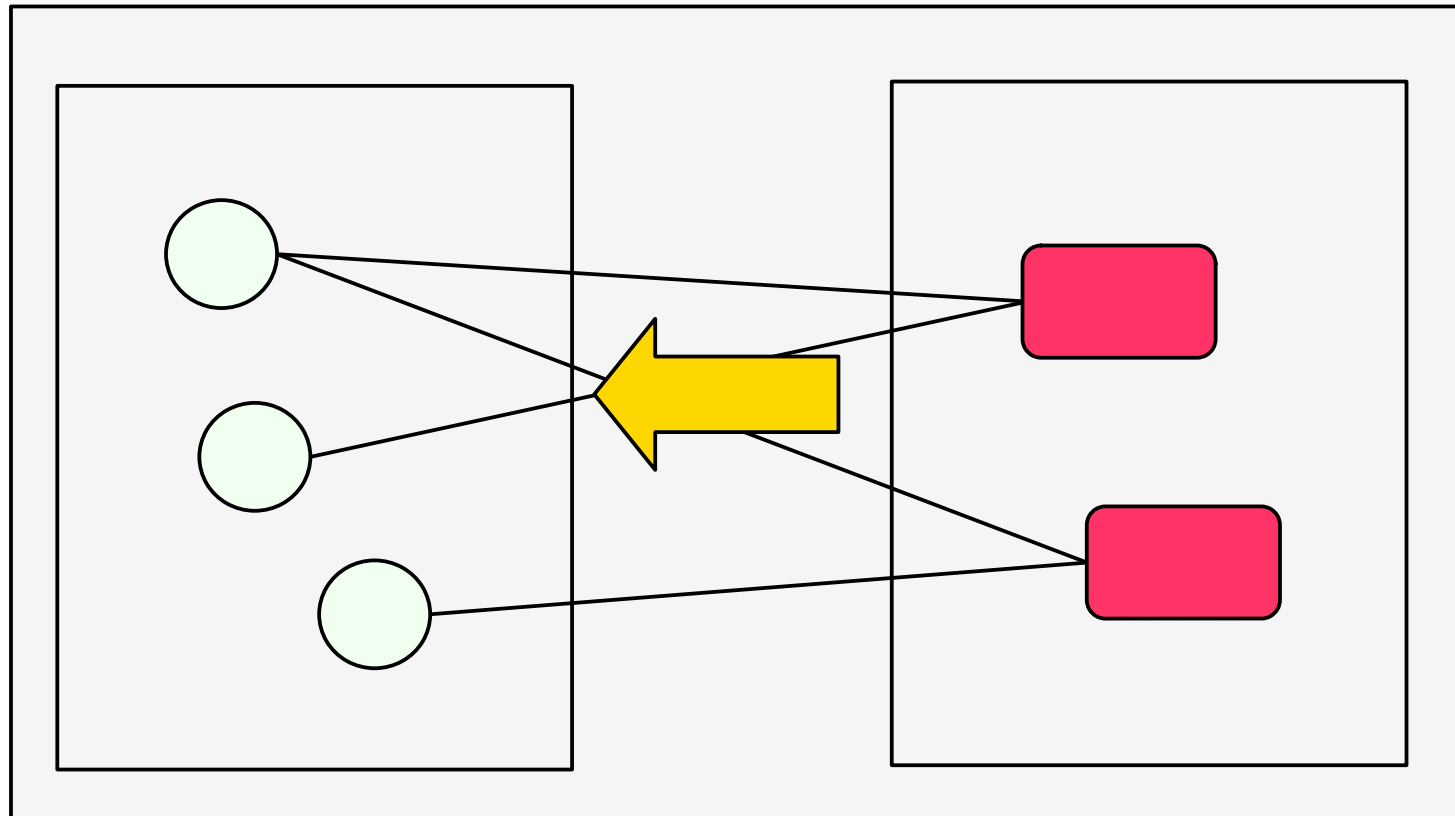
- 1) Adaptation problems of the classic OO model
- 2) Beyond Objects
  - 1) From Objects to Roles and their Benefit for Separation of Concerns
  - 2) From Roles to Contexts
  - 3) The Steimann product-lattice factorization of types and its Kühn extension (Role-oriented Context-Aware Software Infrastructures, ROSI)
- 3) Advantages of the ROSI: Dynamic Data Adaptability (Extensibility, Variability)...
- 4) Roles and Contexts for Behavior Abstraction
- 5) Advantages of the ROSI: Dynamic Behavior Adaptability
- 6) Roles and their Benefit for Separation of Concerns

Role-Oriented Context-Aware Software Infrastructures (ROSI)

# 1. Adaptation Problems of the Standard Object Model

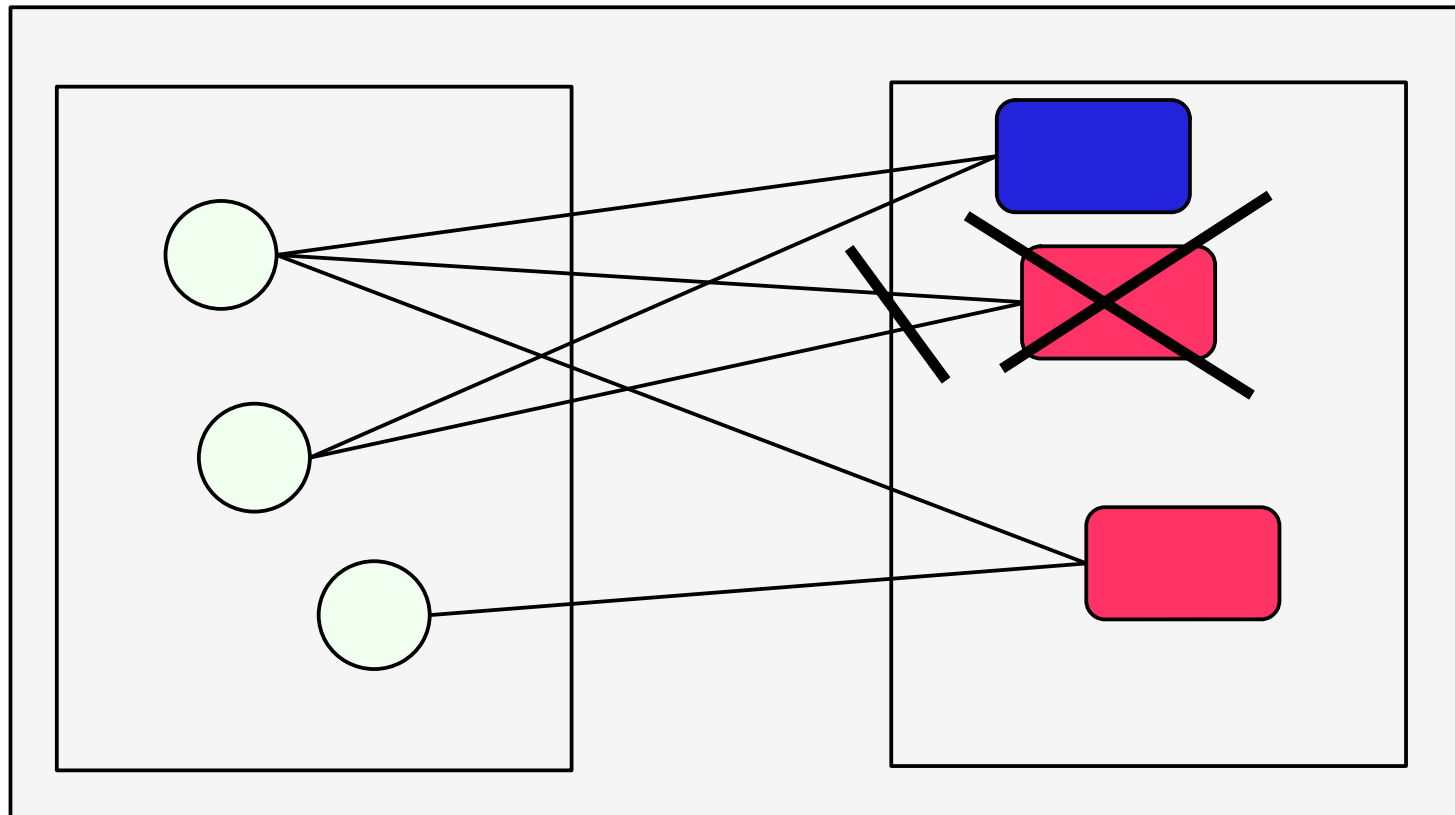
# The Extensibility Problem

- How to extend software in a fine-grained way? Obliviousness?



# The Substitutability Problem

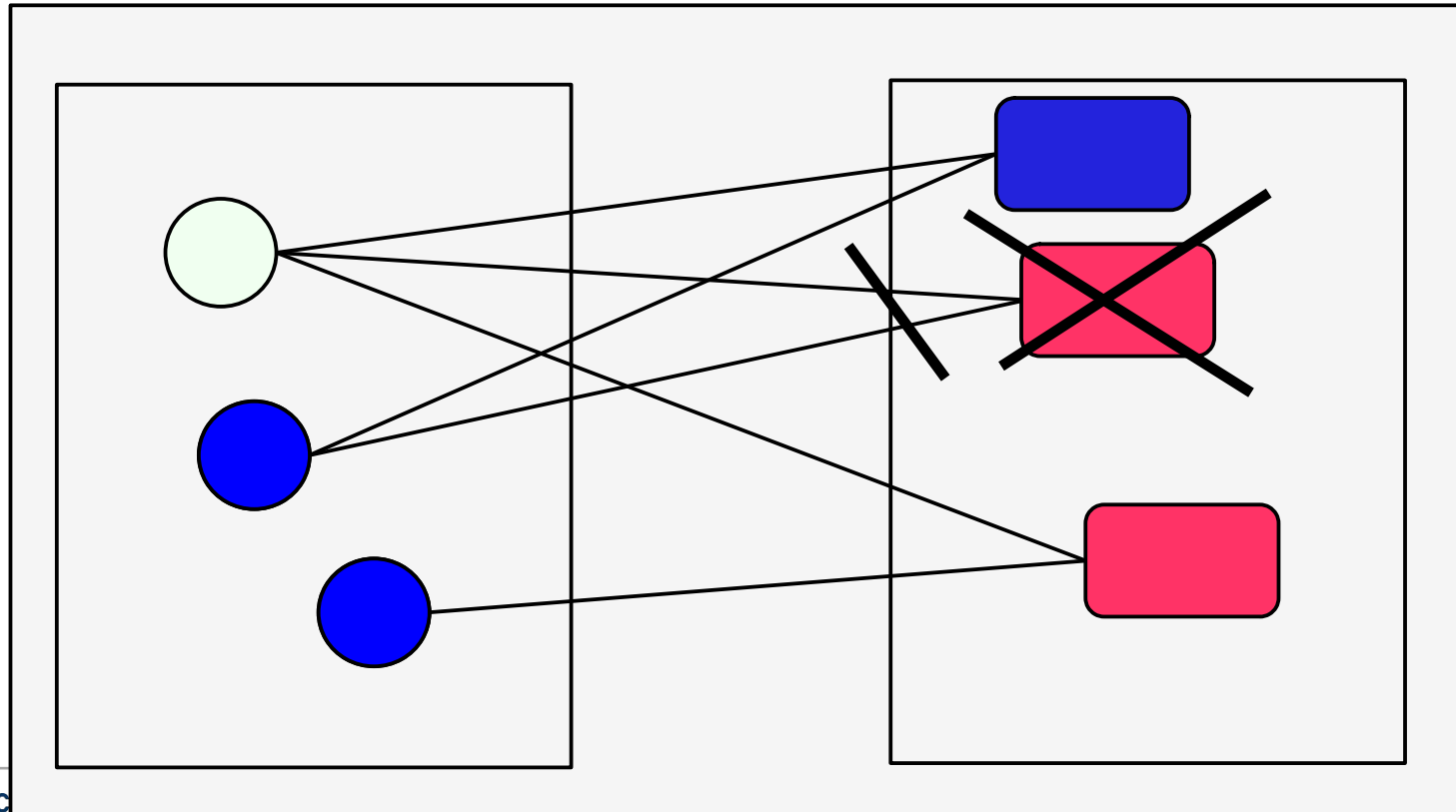
- How to substitute a component? (contracts necessary)





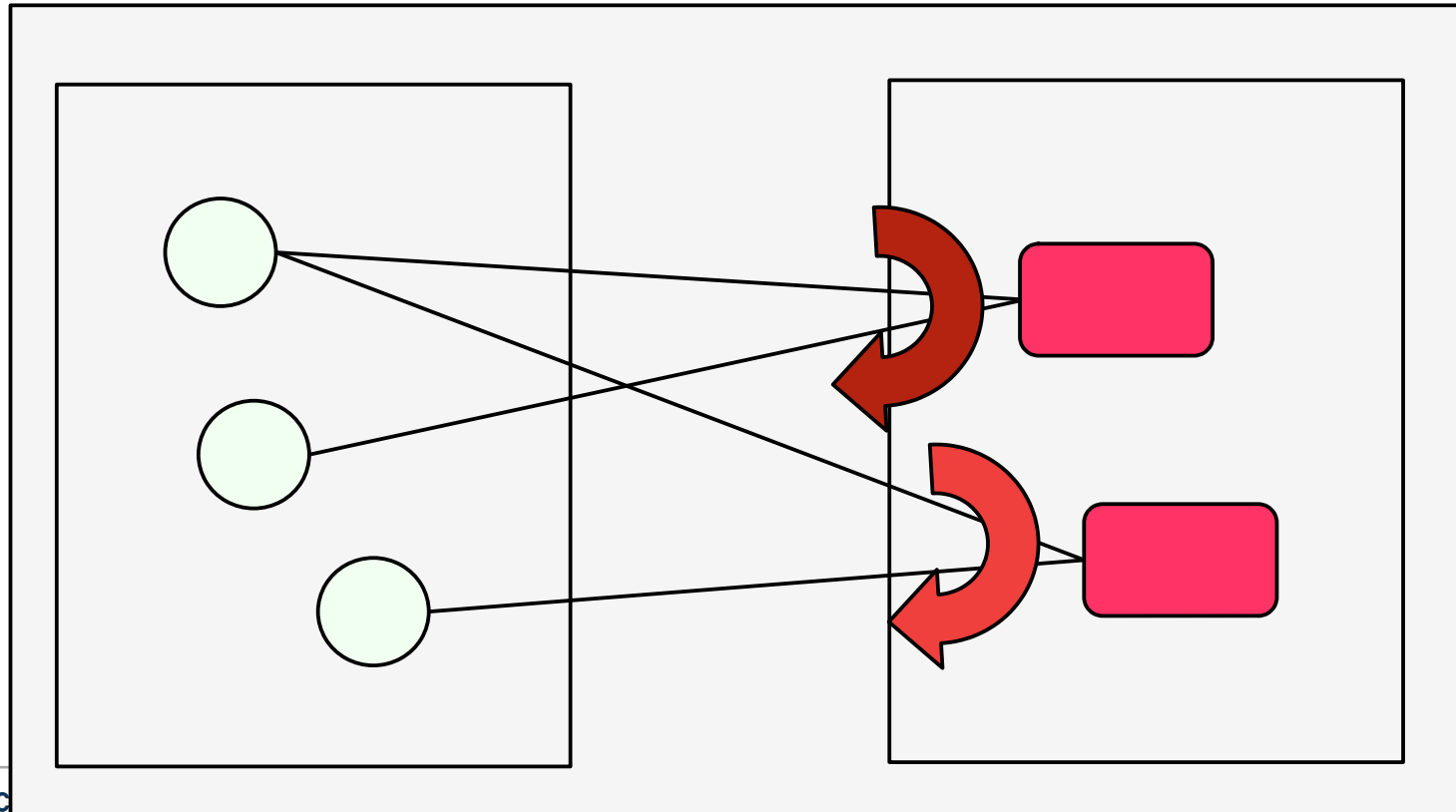
# The Variability Problem

- How to vary many components, layers, slices, or a subsystem?



# The Wrapping and Synchronization Problem

- How to wrap software with code, e.g., for protection or synchronization, transactions?



# Big Problem 1) The Synchronization Problem (Inheritance Anomaly)

1980s: Parallel object-oriented languages (POOL, COOL)

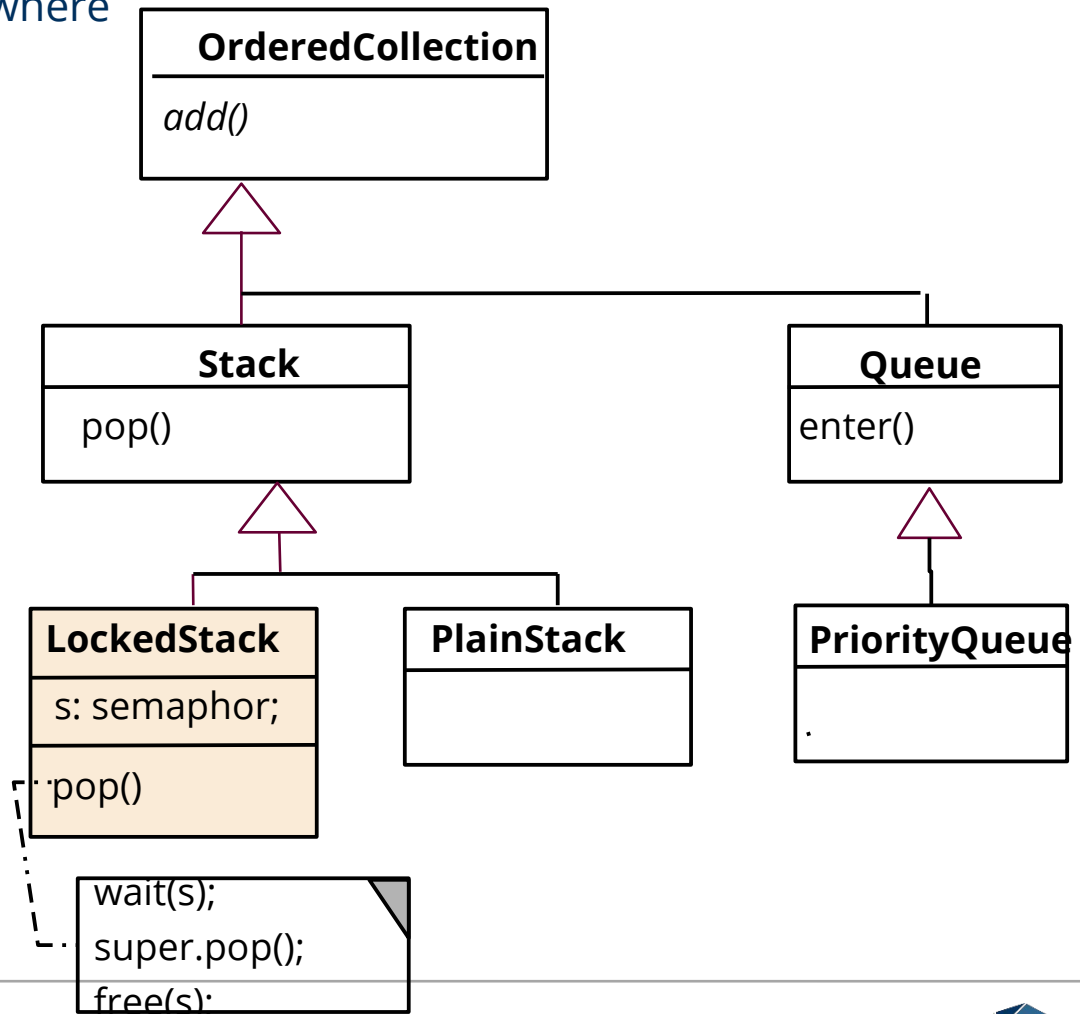
1991: Inheritance Anomaly

1988: Composition Technology (Aksit)  
1994: Generic Synchronization Policies (McHale)  
1988-94: Composition Filters (Aksit)

1996: Aspect-oriented Programming (AOP)  
1996: D+COOL+RIDL (Lopes), 1999: Aspect/J (Kiczales)

# Inheritance Anomaly - Why Concerns are Necessary

- In a parallel program or library, where should synchronization code be inserted?
  - Stack?
  - Queue?
  - OrderedCollection?
  - Collection?
  - Object?

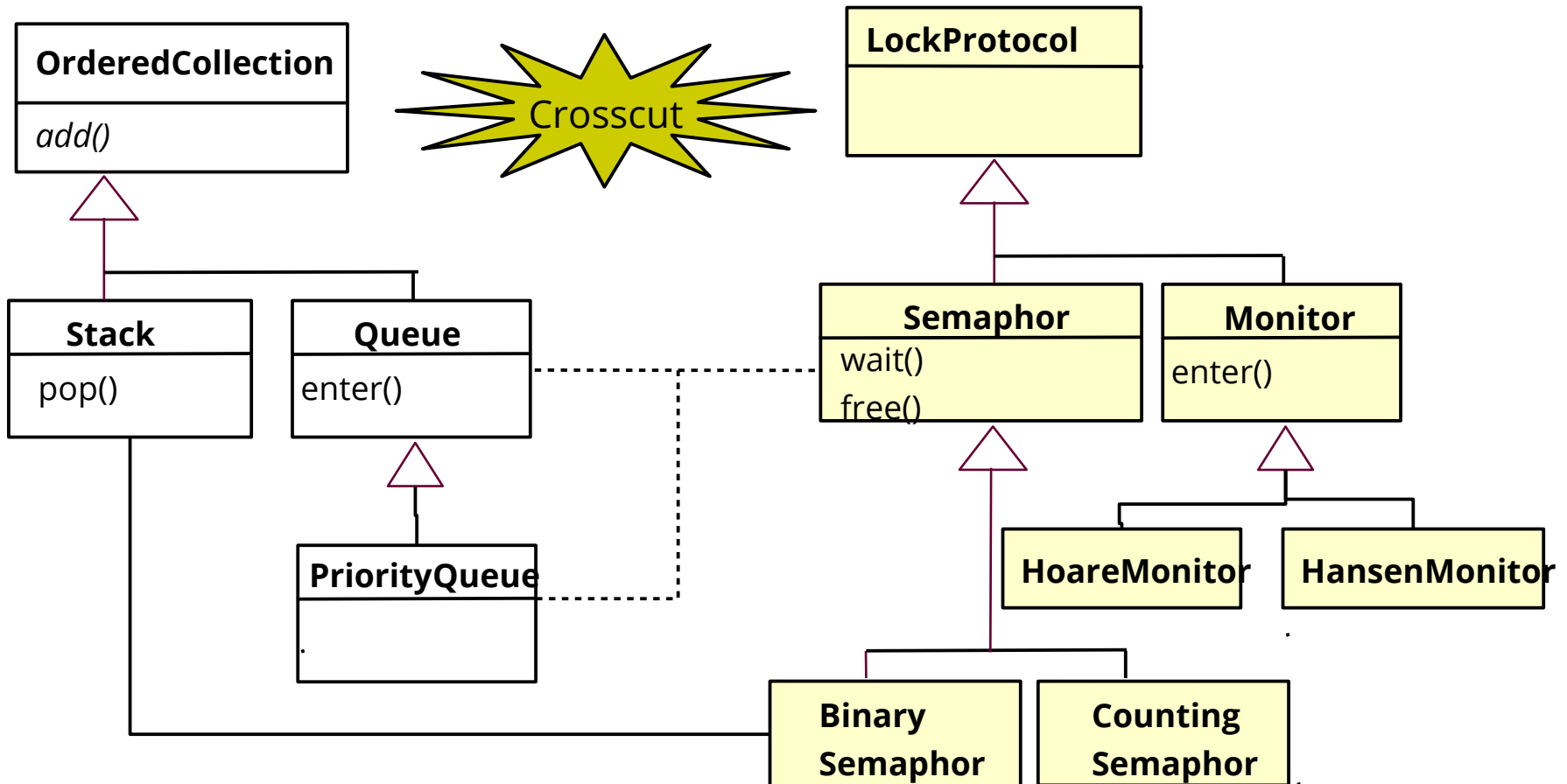


# The Synchronization Problem (Inheritance Anomaly)

- At the beginning of the 90s, parallel object-oriented languages failed, due to the inheritance anomaly problem
  - *Inheritance anomaly*: In inheritance hierarchies, synchronization code is intermingled with the algorithm and cannot be easily exchanged
  - *Synchronization tangling*: Because synchronization code *braces* code, it is *tangling*
  - *Synchronization crosscut*: Because synchronization code *is reused* code, it is *crosscutting*

# Algorithm and Synchronization are Two Different Concerns (Core and Aspect)

- Composition fixes crosscut between core and aspect



# Problems of Aspect-Orientation

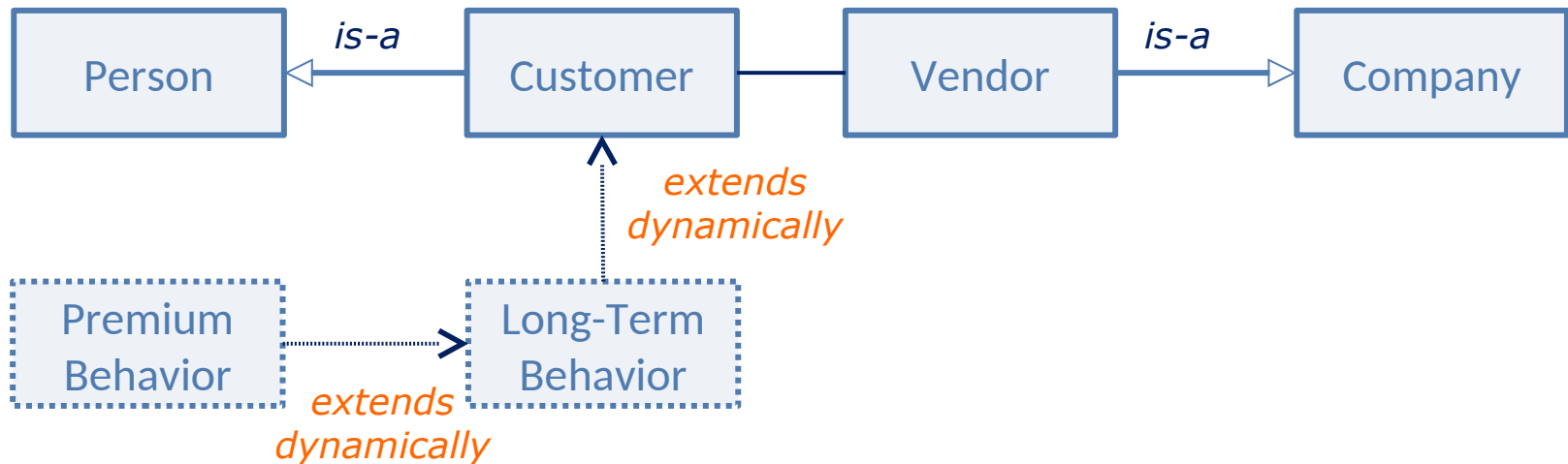
- Not well integrated into the standard OO model
- Semantics unclear
- Often only static



## Big Problem 2) Run-time Adaptability

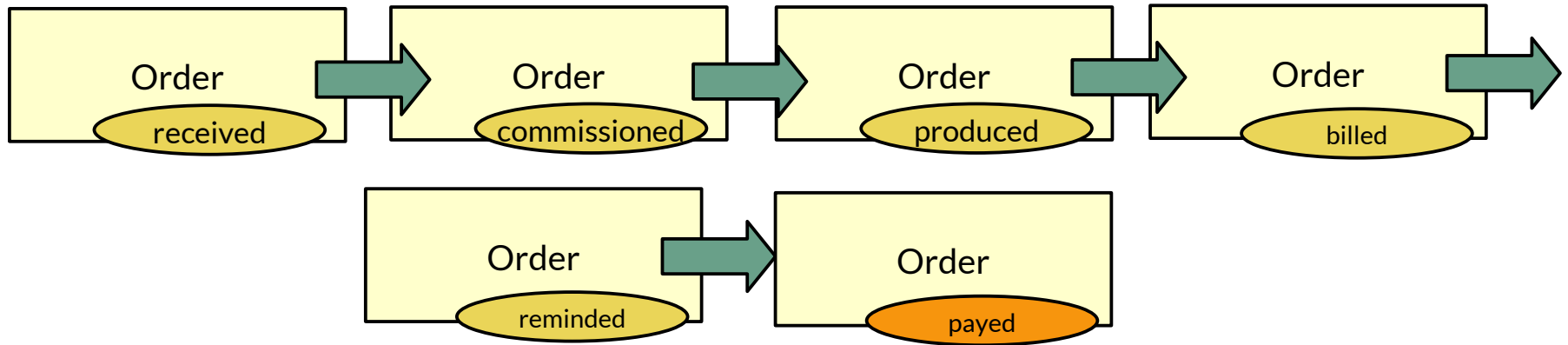
### Negative Example: "San Francisco"-Framework of IBM

- Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) in Java, 1995-99
- Dynamic extensions of classes and life-cycle automata
- Classic object-orientation too inflexible
- FAILED



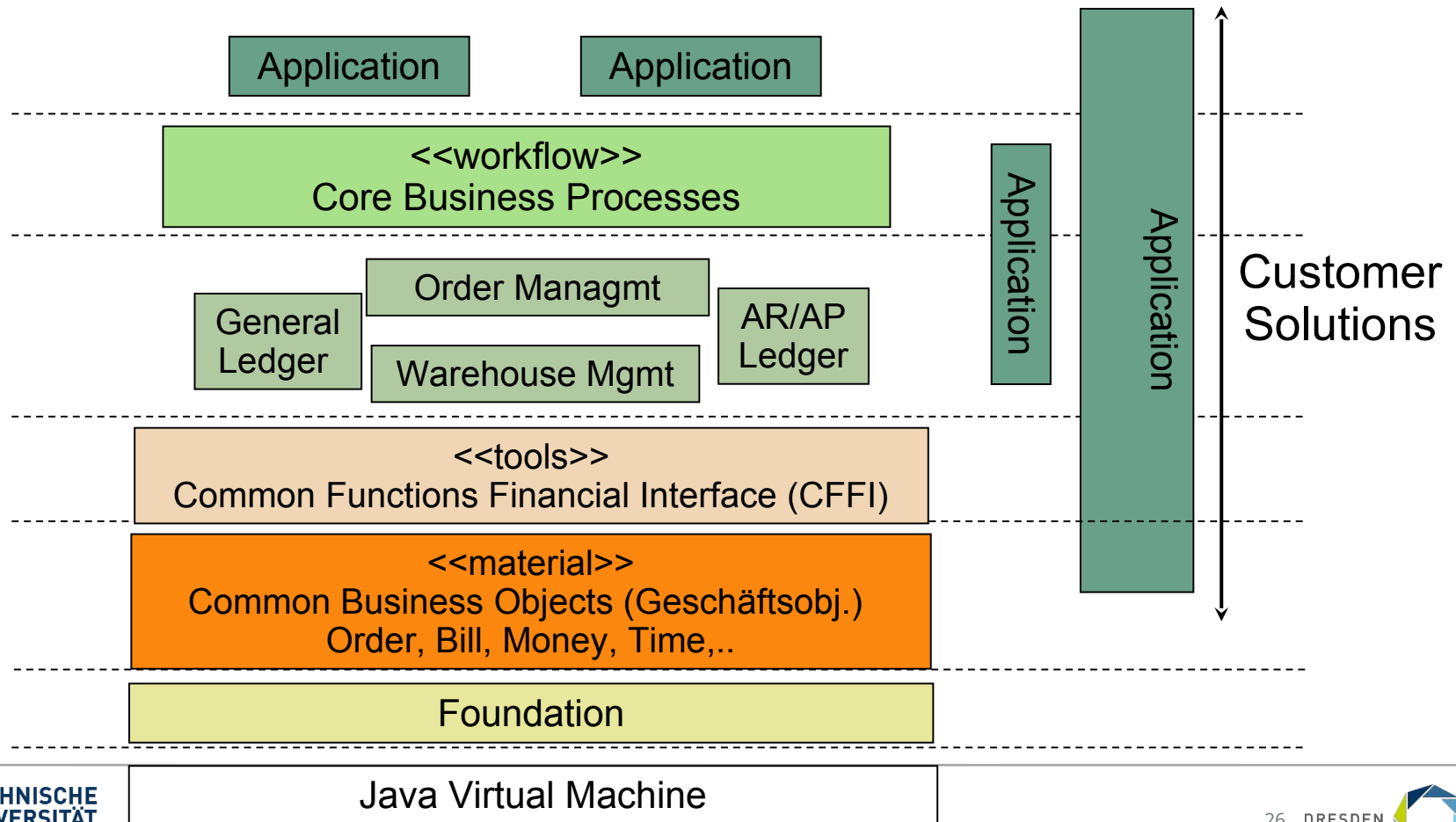
# Business Objects

- In large ERP frameworks (see SAP) business objects get very complex
- Ex.: **Order**
  - Many phases and collaborators
  - Many states and roles
- Dynamic Extensibility and Variability (Adaptation) required



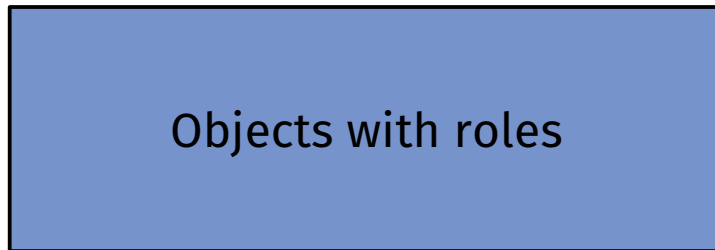
# Architecture of IBM San Francisco ERP Java-Framework

- P. Monday, J. Carey, M. Dangler. San Francisco Component Framework: an introduction. Addison-Wesley, 2000.

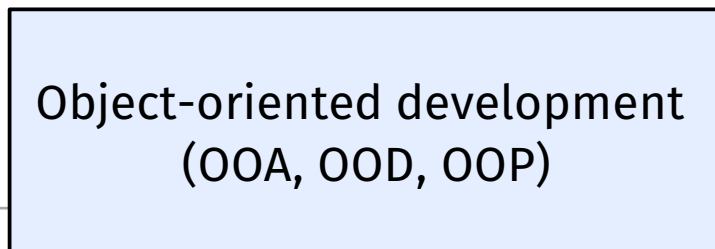


# Ladder of Technologies

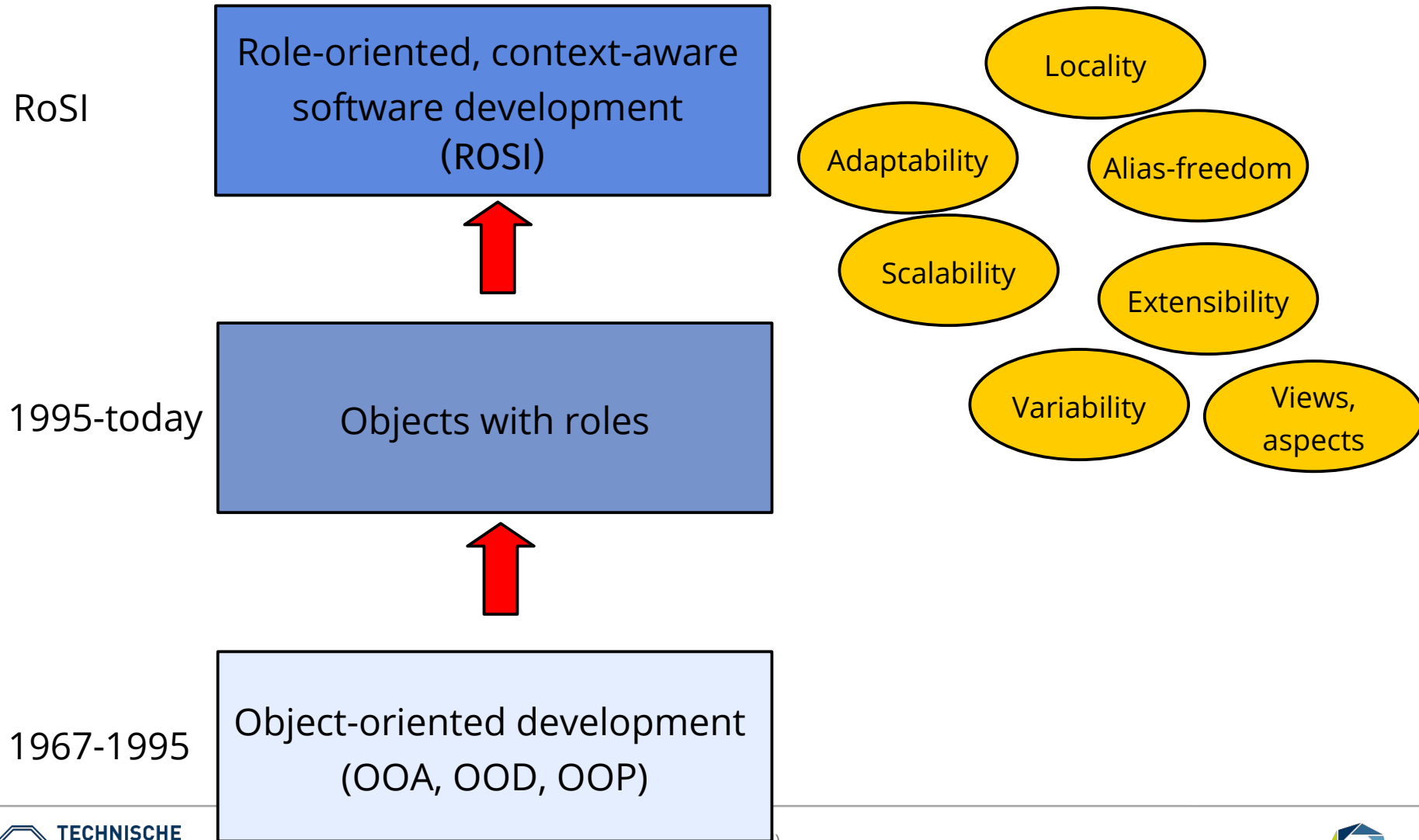
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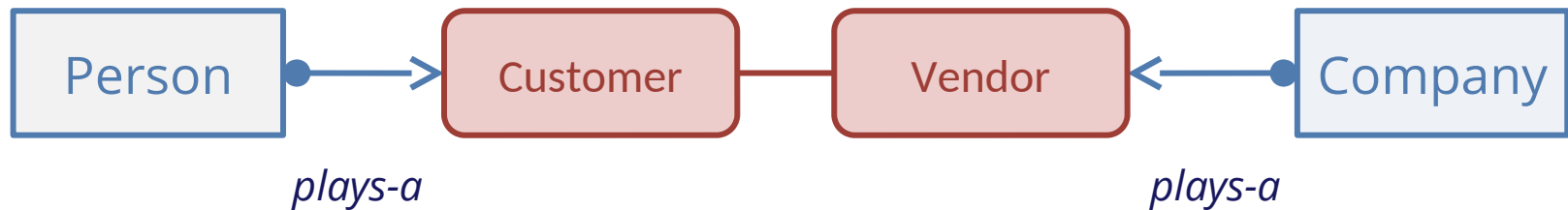


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## Role Modelling – a Hope

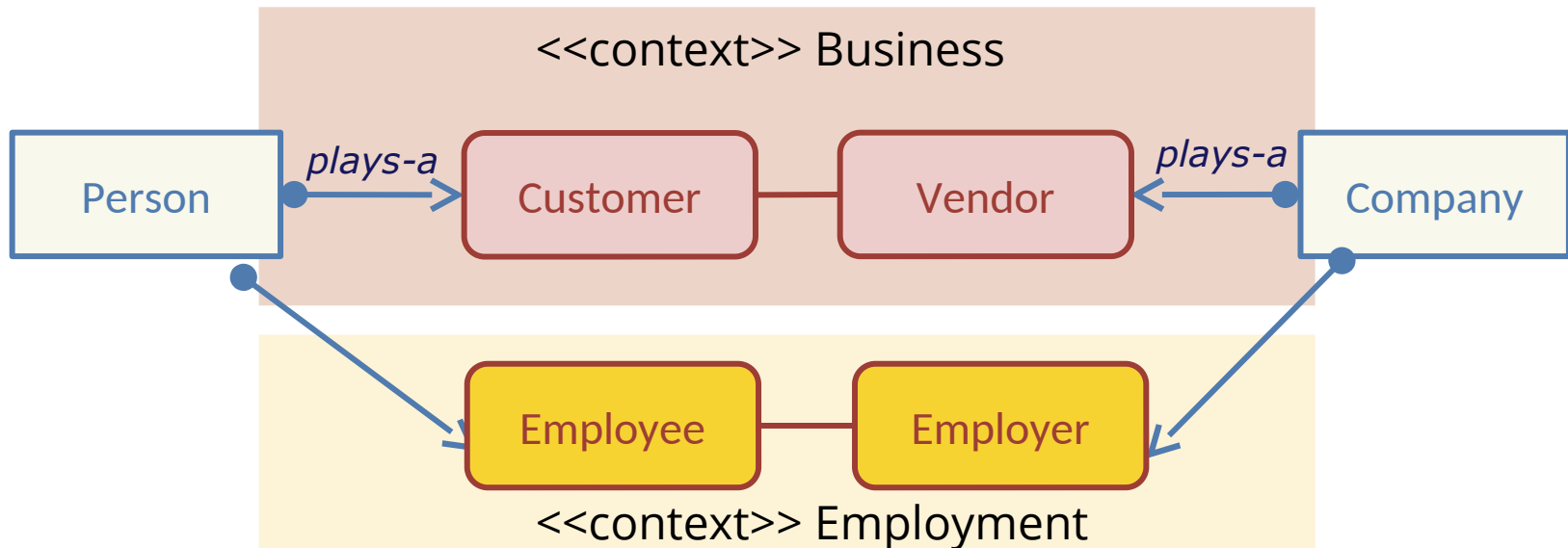
- Separate the **functional core** of an object of its **context-based** and **fluid** features



- Restrictions so far:
  - only used in singular fields of Computer Science
  - no cross-layer correspondance
  - no formalization

## Example: Business Objects

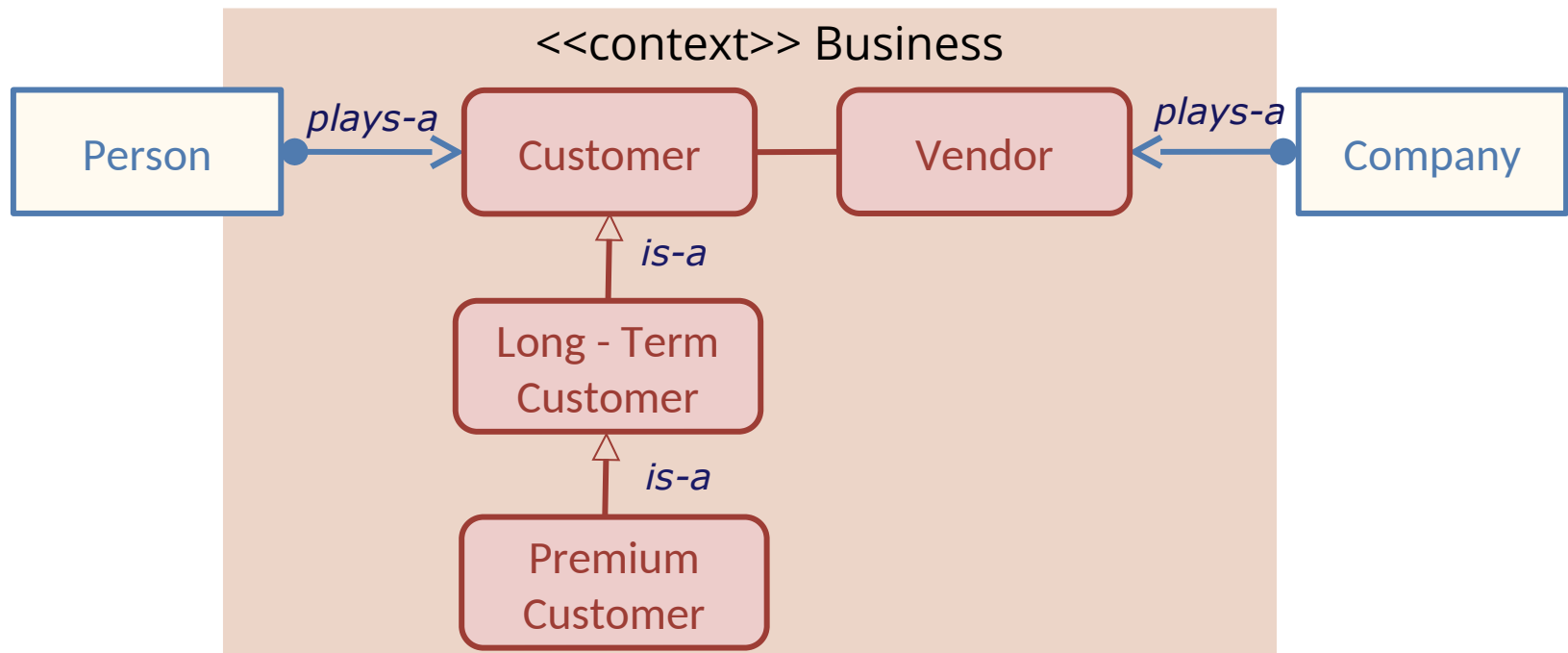
- Extend behavior dynamically by **roles (context-based and fluid types)**
- Convention: Context is expressed by *background boxes or color*





## Example: Business Objects

- Extend behavior dynamically by **roles (context-based and fluid types)**
- Refinement by role inheritance
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# The Hypothesis of Role-Oriented Context-Aware Development

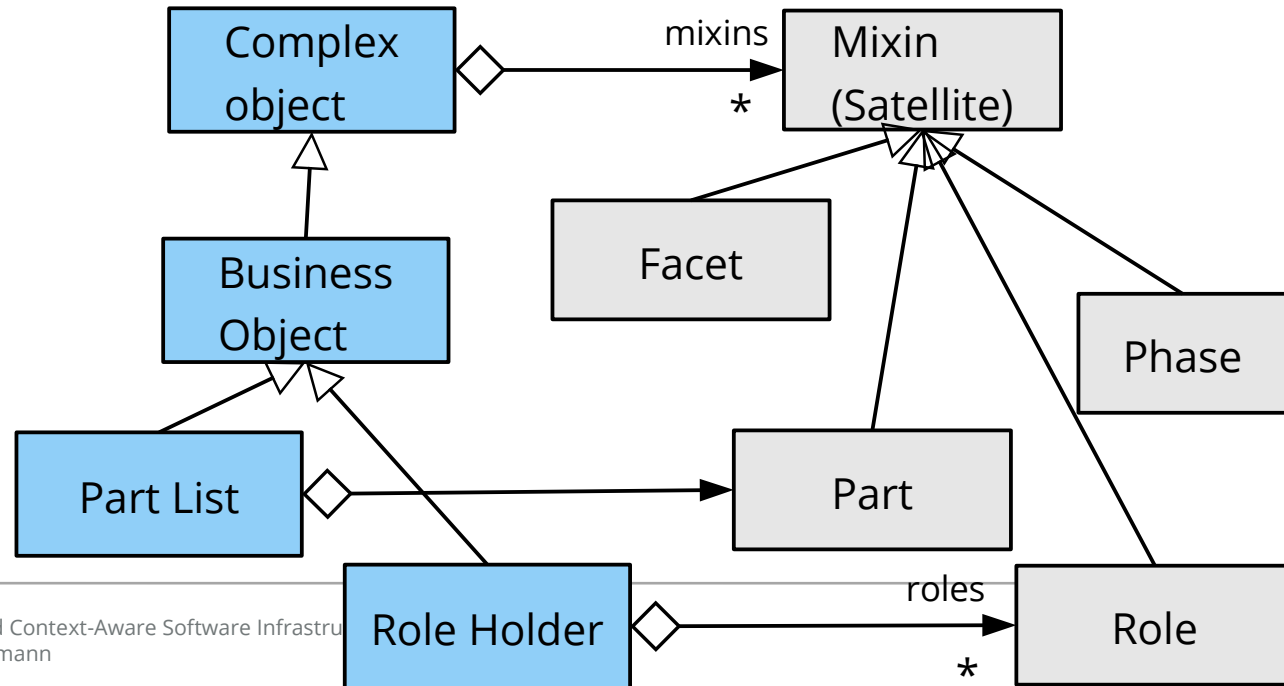
- ...is that **context-based features of objects and systems** can be modeled **with roles, cross-cutting**
  - all phases of the life-cycle
    - requirements, design, implementation, runtime
  - all levels of development
    - Concept modelling in metalanguages,
    - Language modelling,
    - Application modelling and programming,
    - Run-time
- and that this technology is **practically applicable.**

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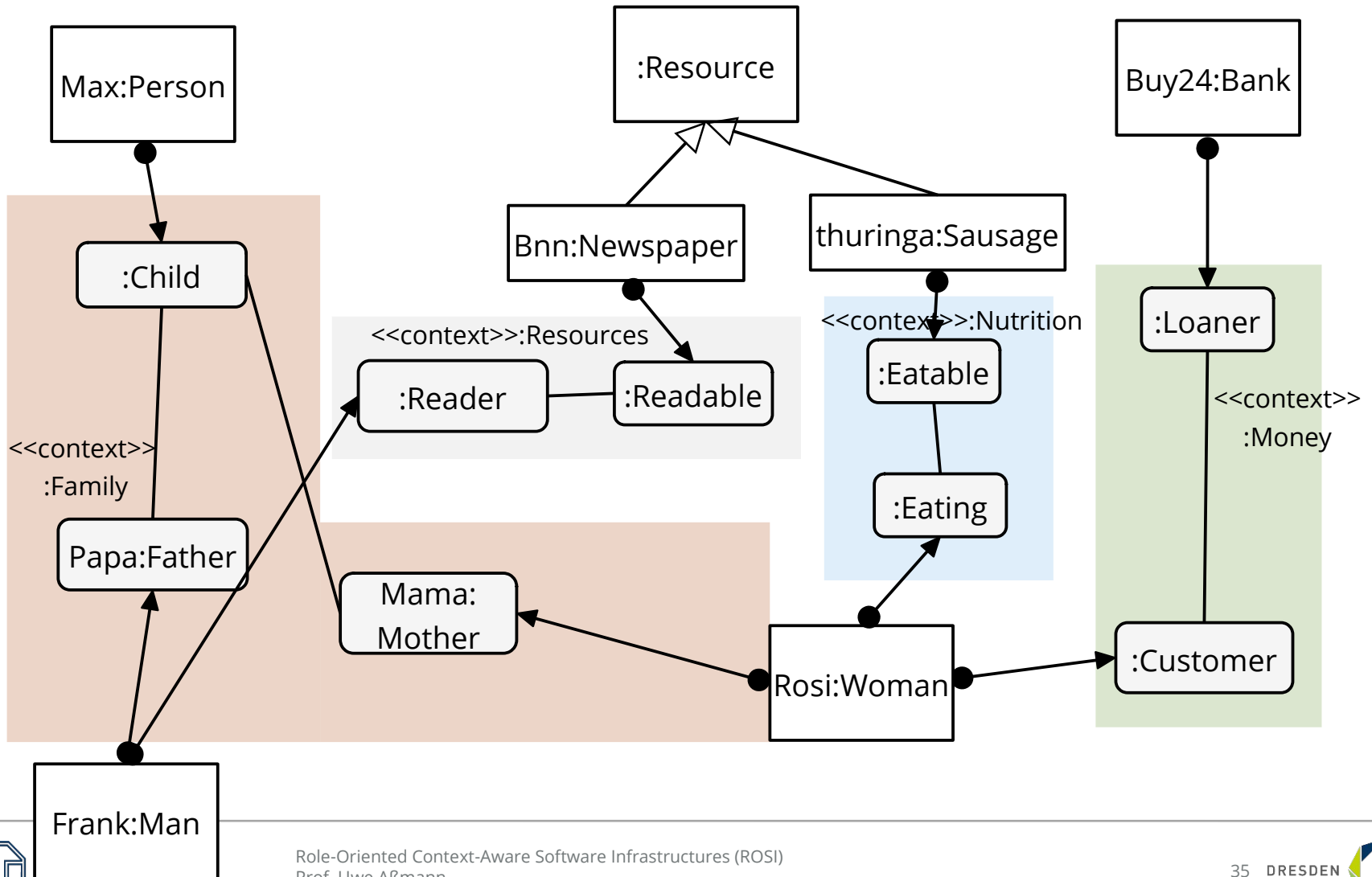
## 1.2. Scenario Families and Banks

# Complex Objects

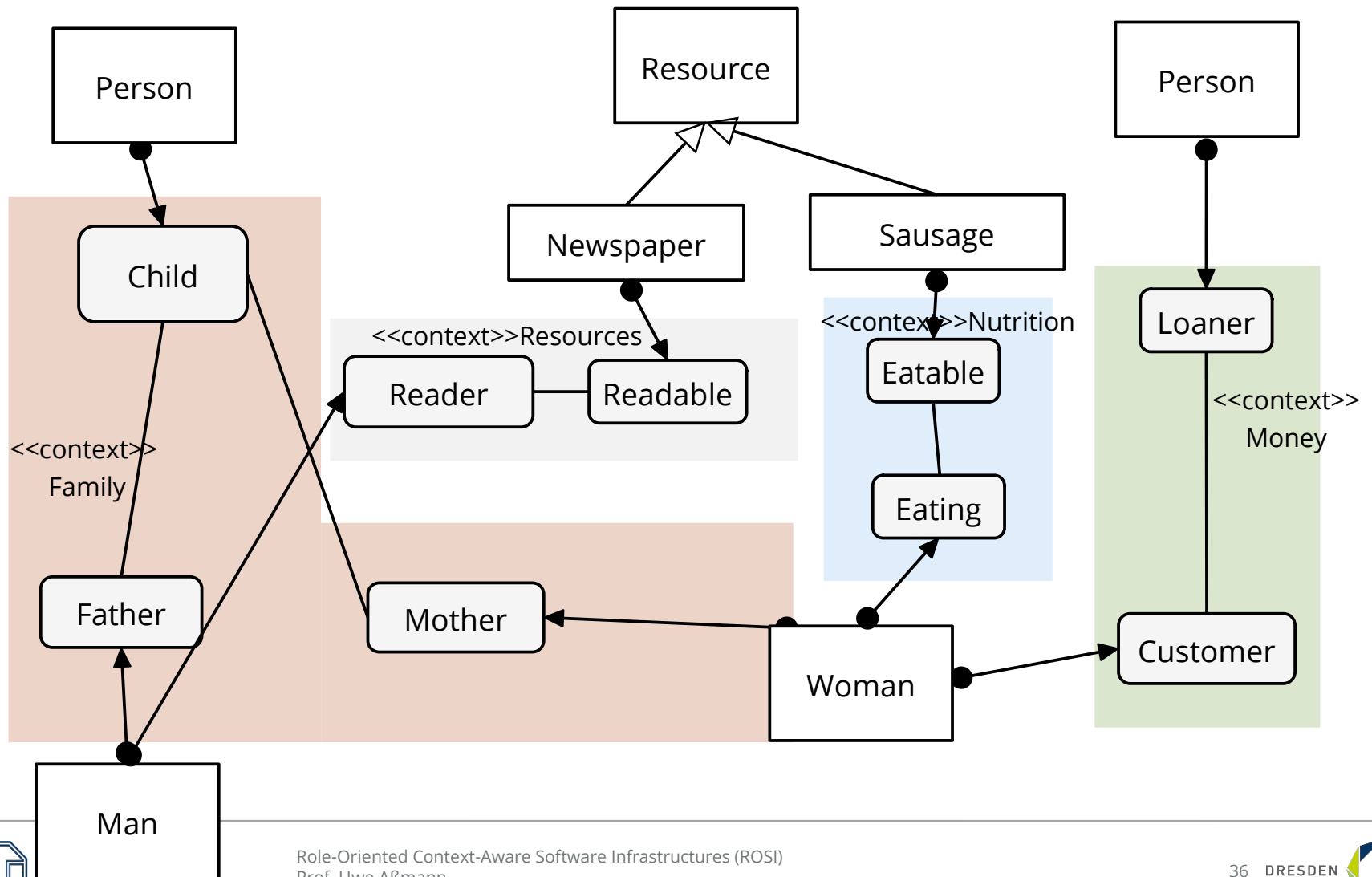
A **complex object (subject, compound object)** is a (logically coherent) object, represented in modeling and programming level by one **Core** and several **Subobjects (mixins)**



# Families, Resources and Banks (Snapshot, Object-Role Model)



# Families and Banks in Natural and Role Types



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## **2. Beyond Objects - Role Modeling and the Steimann Factorization of Types**

Splitting a type into a tuple of natural and founded parts

# Roles in the Literature

- Databases (Bachmann 77)
- ER model (Chen 76); though hidden in association ends
- OO Modeling (Reenskaug 95)
  - Design patterns (Riehle 98)
  - Course “Design patterns and frameworks” at TUD
- Product line engineering (Smaragdakis, Batory 02)
- Connectors in architectural languages (Garlan, Shaw 95)
- Security: Role-based Access Control (RBAC)
  - ACL lists in operating systems
- Ontologies (Brachman, description logic)
- ... [Steimann DKE 2000] has many more and tries to unify them
- UML has “collaborations” using role types
- [Kühn 2014] defines compartments as structured context objects



## Rigid and Founded Types

If an object that has a **rigid** type, it cannot stop being of the type without losing its identity [Guarino]

- Example:
  - *Book* is a rigid type, *Reader* is a non-rigid type
    - Reader can stop reading, but Book stays Book
- Rigid types are *tied to the identity* of objects
  - A *non-rigid type* is a dynamic type that is indicating a state of the object

A **founded type** (*relative type*) is a type that exists always in collaboration (association) with another class.

## Role and Natural Types

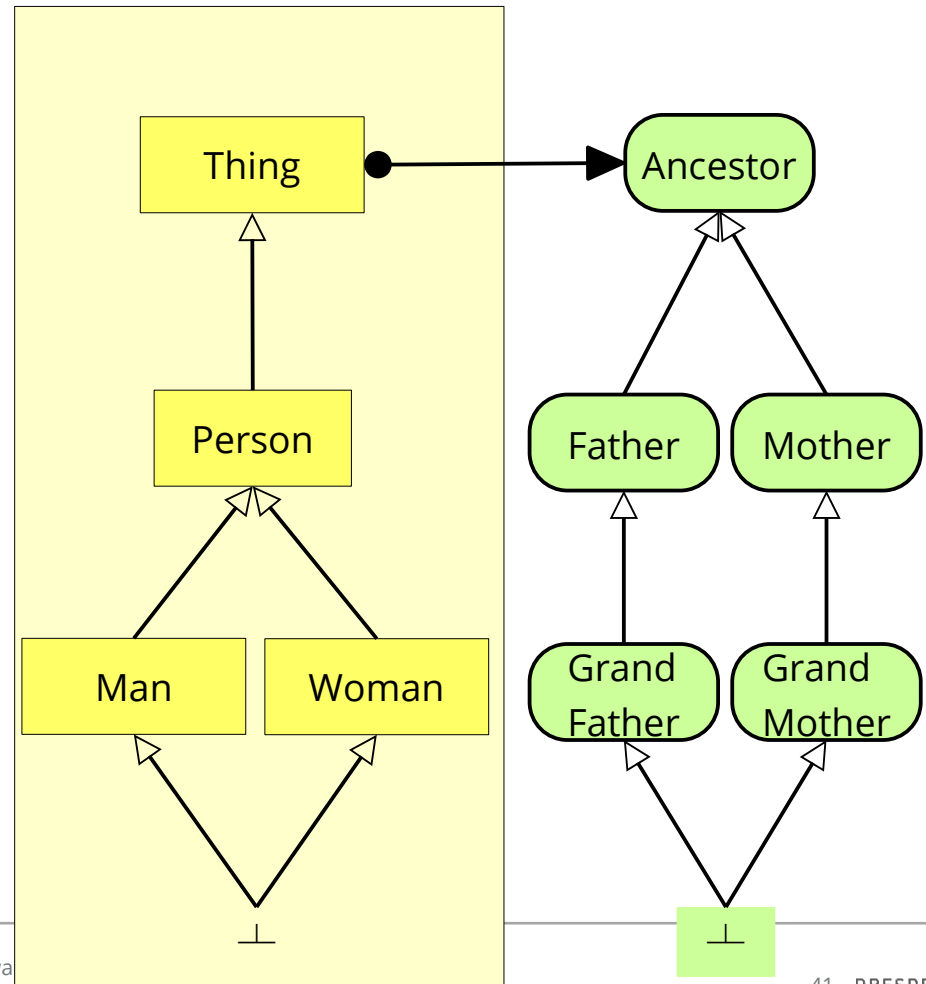
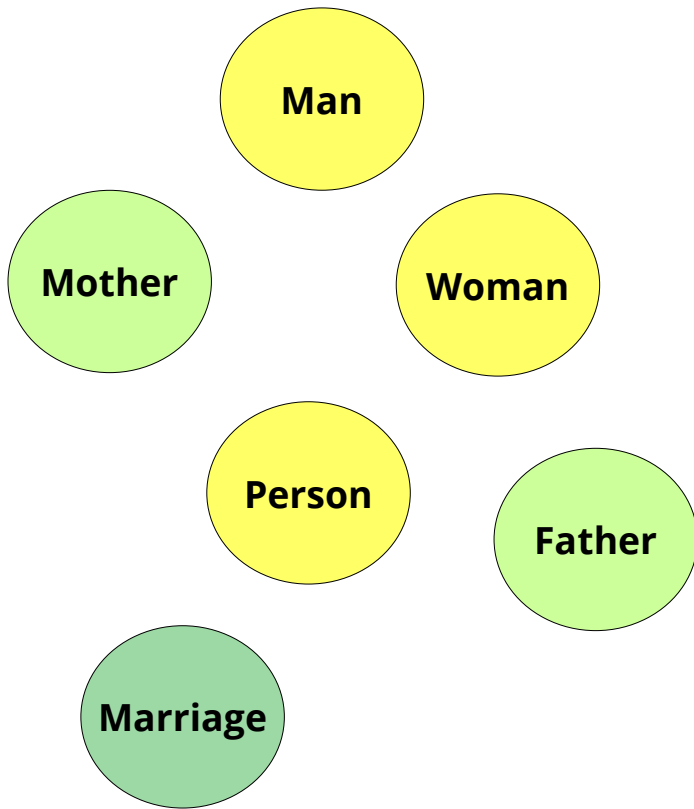
A ***role type*** is a founded and non-rigid type.

Role types are in collaboration and if the object does no longer play the role type, it does not give up identity.

A ***natural type*** is non-founded and rigid.

A natural type is *independent* of a relationship.  
The objects cannot leave it.

# Solution to the Little Riddles..



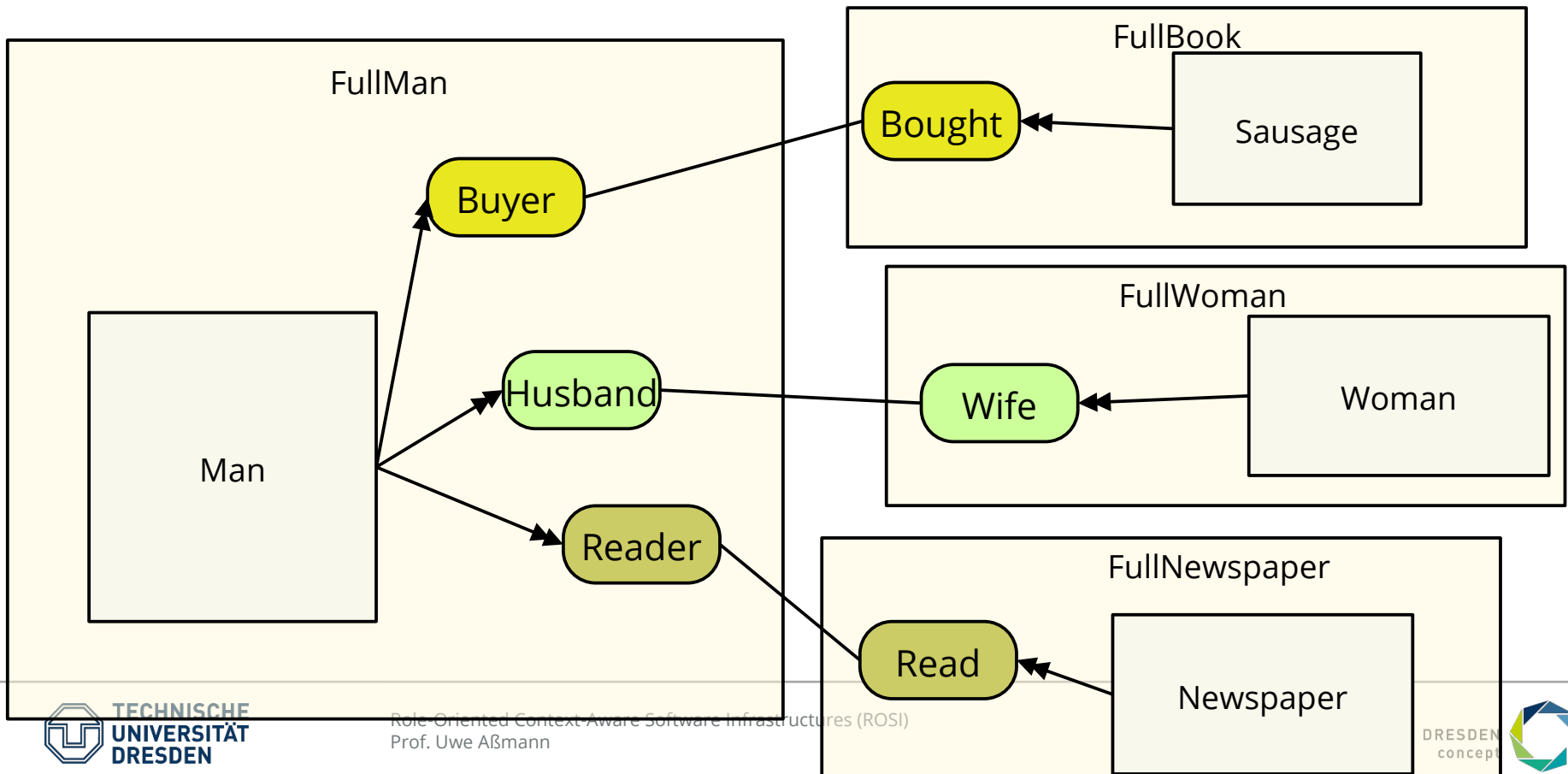
# Role Types are Metatypes

- A **metatype** describes a type (is a type of a type)
  - Rigid Type
  - Natural Type
  - Founded Type
  - Role Type

Hypothesis:  
The distinction of metatypes promotes  
Separations of Concerns.

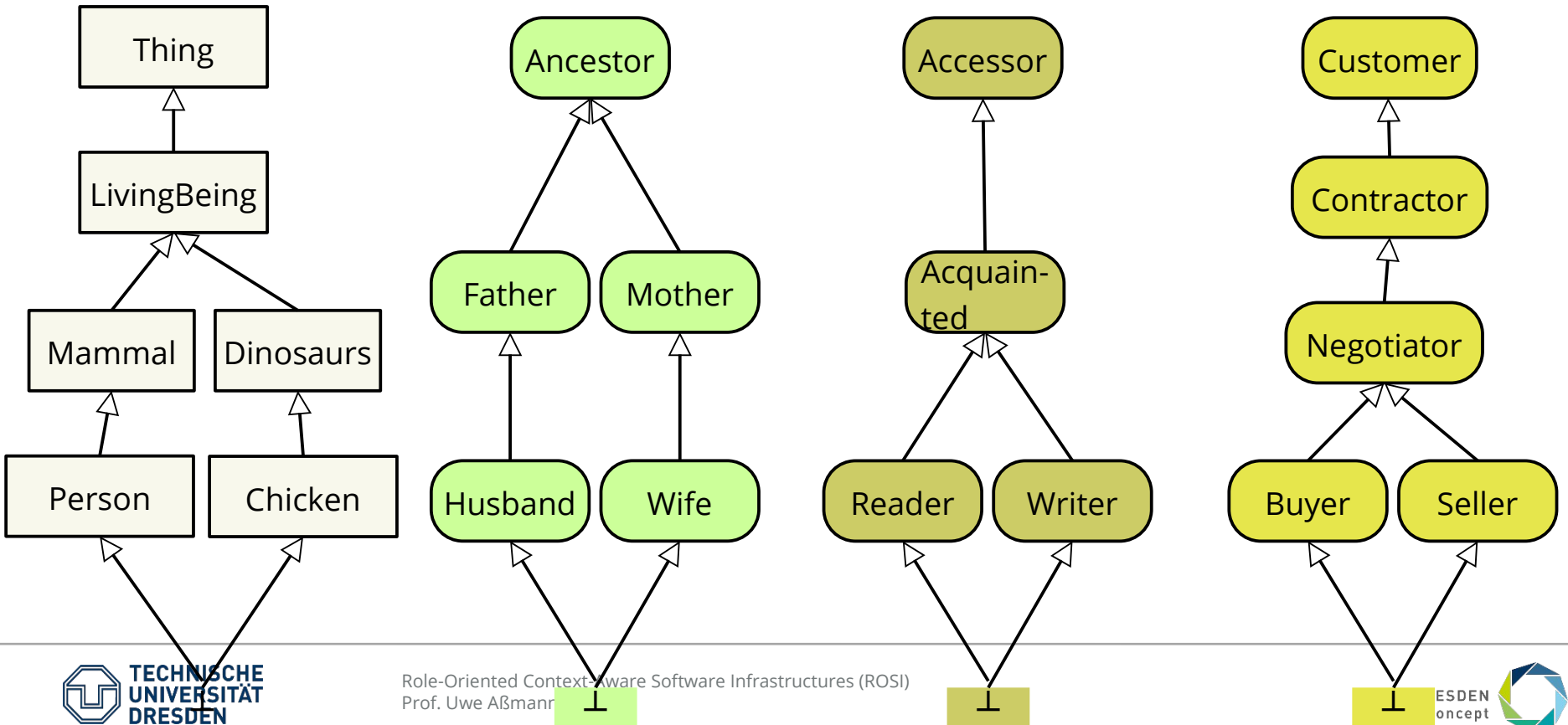
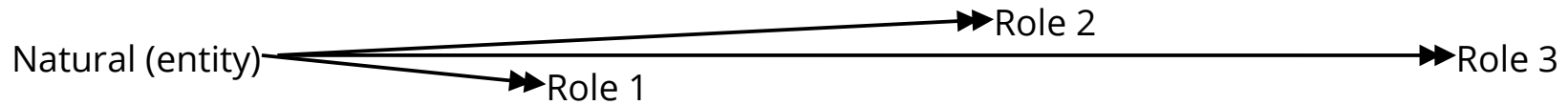
# Steimann Factorization [Steimann, DKE 2000]

- Splitting a full type into its *natural* and *role-type* components
  - FullType = Natural x (role-type, role-type, ...)
  - FullMan = Man x (Reader, Husband, Customer, ..)



# Full Type is from an Inheritance Product Lattice

- What is a reading buying husband person?



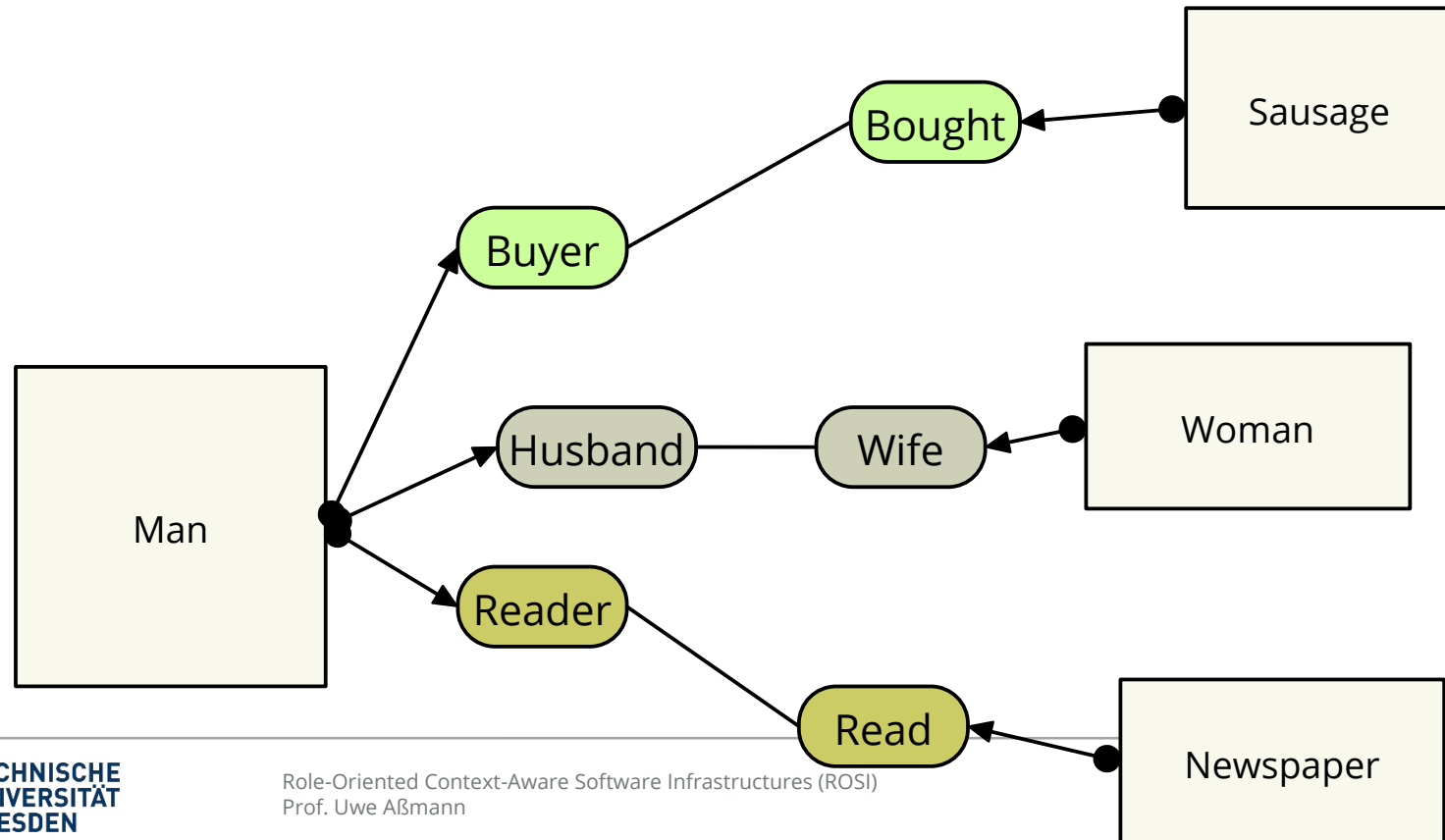
## The Steimann Factorization

- Simpler, multi-dimensional inheritance hierarchies (product lattice)

Divide (partition) a *type* into a *tuple type* over a product lattice of a core dimension and n-1 role dimensions (Core, Role\_1, ..., Role\_n)

# Concern-Separated Representation of Object Nets

- Collaborations (Role models) are interprocedural slices and belong to contexts
- Collaboration schemas are schemas for interprocedural slices





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## 2.1 Contexts and Compartments

[Kühn 2014]

## How to Model Contexts

- A **context** is an object reifying contextual conditions, *activating* and *deactivating* a set of roles of a set of objects
  - Contexts show that contextual conditions hold
  - *Marriage* (enables Husband and Wife)
  - *Light* (enables reading)
- A **compartment** is a structured context *activating* and *deactivating subcontexts*
  - *Marriage*: Mistress (Mätresse) enables lover and lovee during Marriage
  - *Light*: Glasses (enables reading while light is on)
- A **compartment hierarchy** is a hierarchy of structured contexts
  - *World model* (town, building, room)
- A **compartment forest** is a multi-hierarchy of structured contexts
  - *World model and company model*



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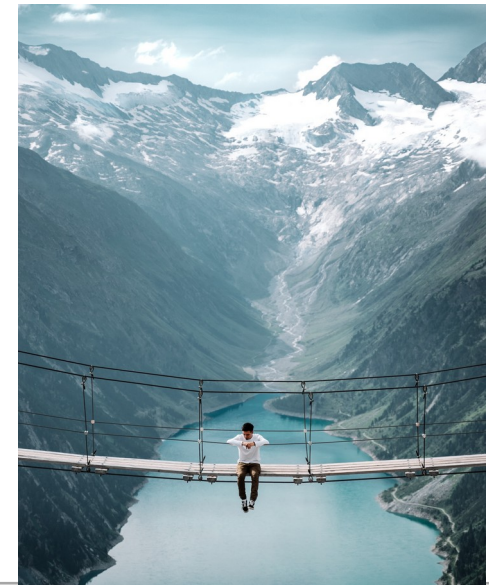


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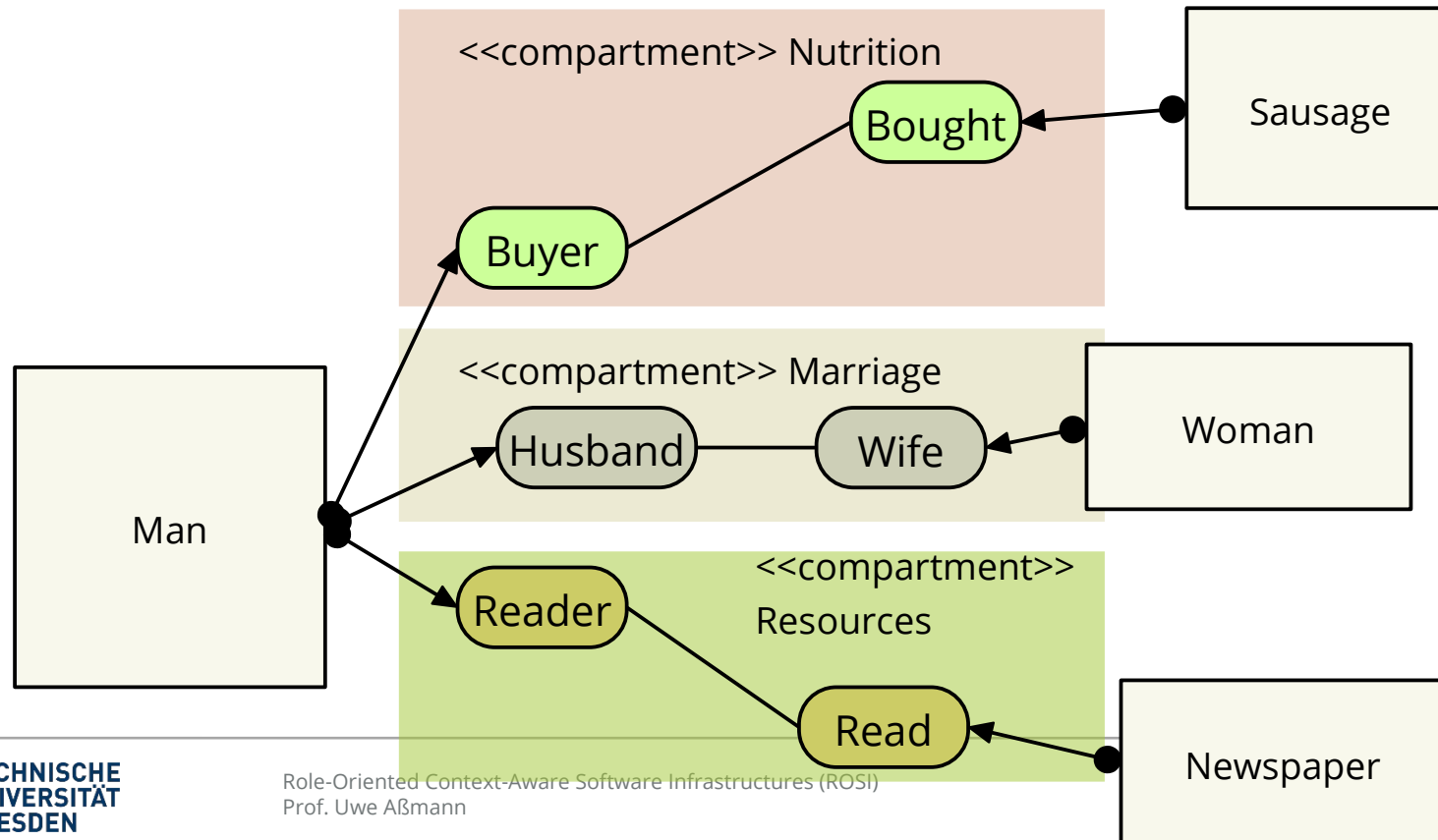


# More on Concern-Separated Representation of Object Nets

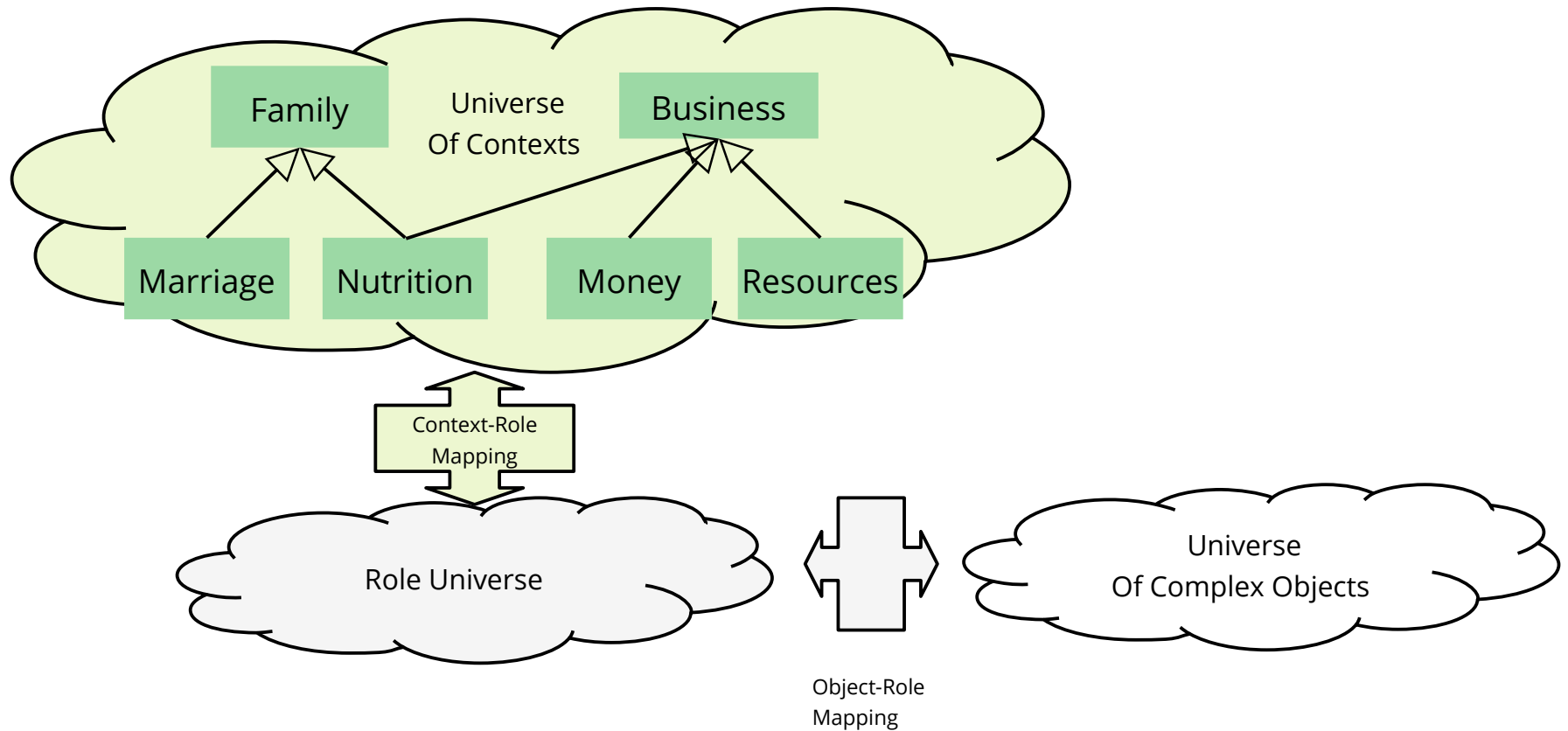
- Compartments contain collaborations
- Compartments form *indices* to interprocedural slices



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# Example of Compartment Multi-Hierarchies

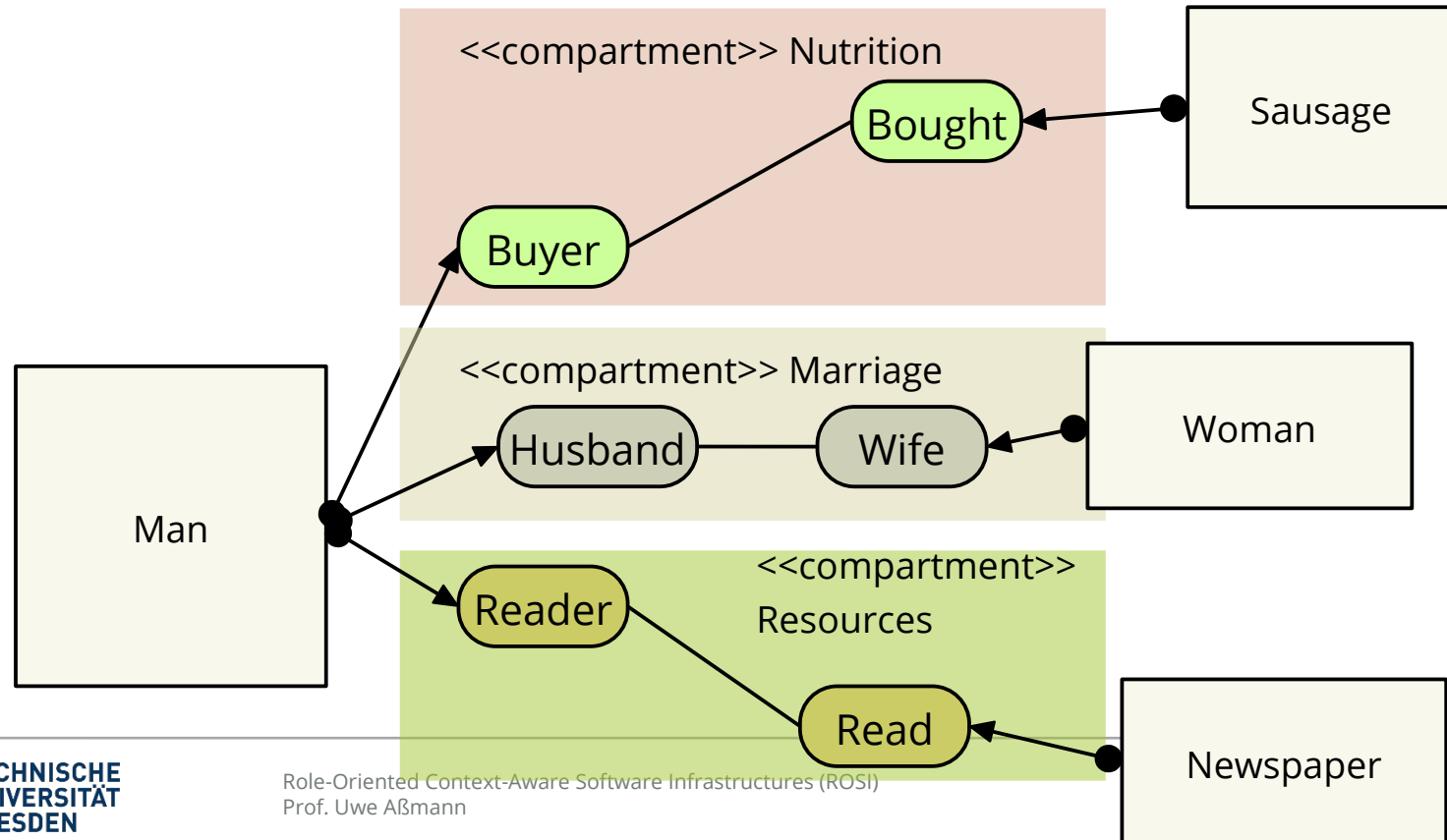


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### **3. Advantages of Roles: Simple Static and Dynamic Data Extensibility**

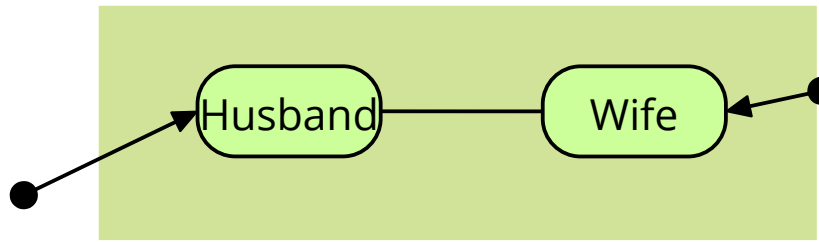
# Simplified Extension with Compartments

- Object-role nets can be *extended by* new compartments with new role models collaborations

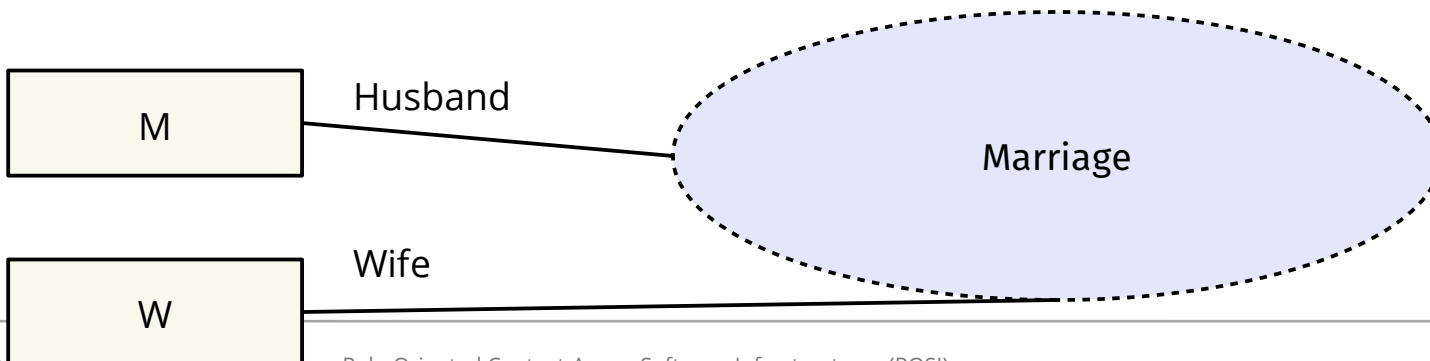


## A Compartment is a Relational Module (Collaboration)

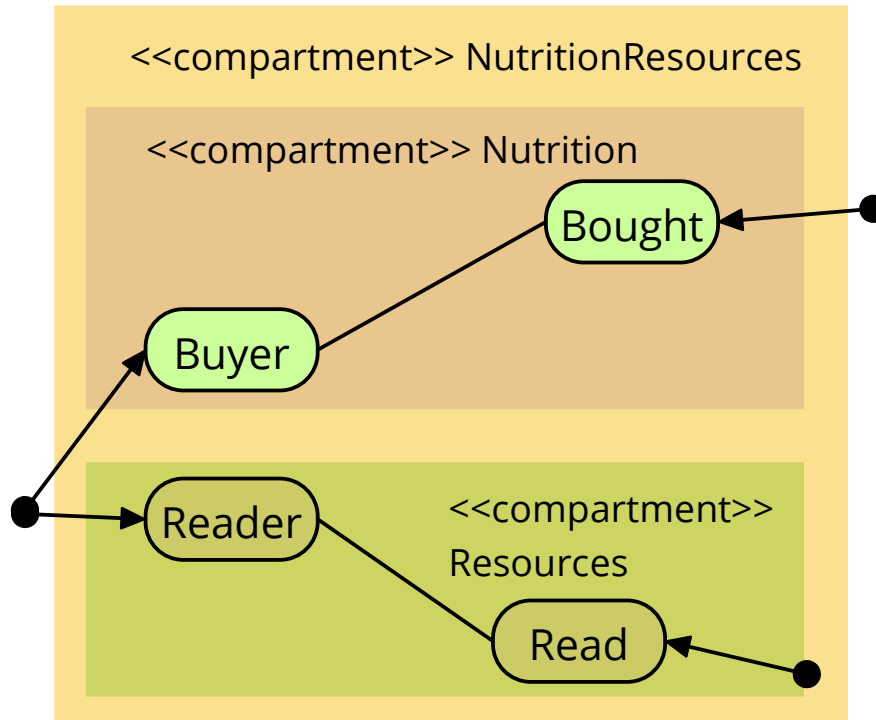
- Nets of roles with open ends, open *plays-a* tentacles,
  - to be attached to object cores



- UML Notation (class level) with *role-type parameter P*:



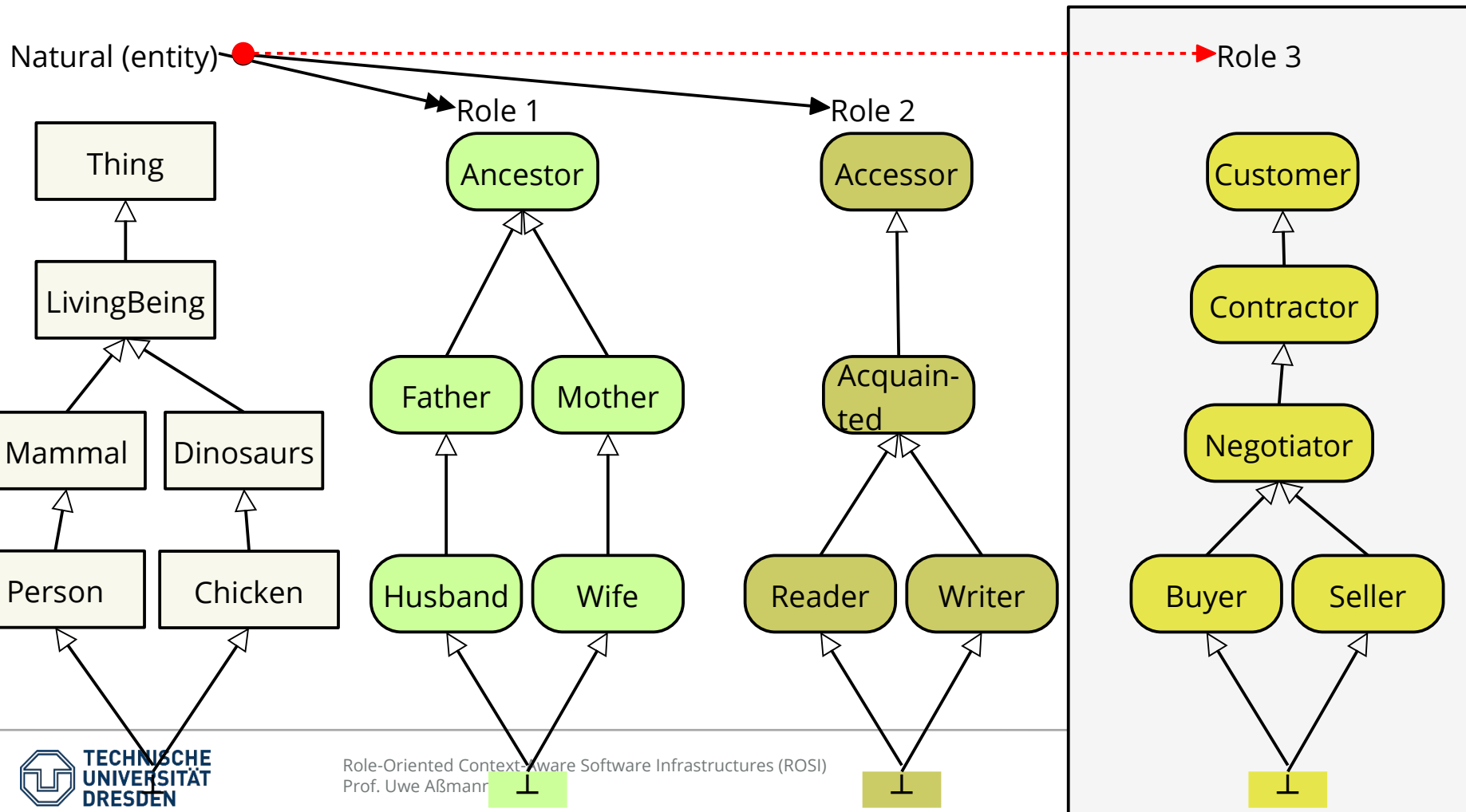
# Structured Compartment: Resources and Nutrition





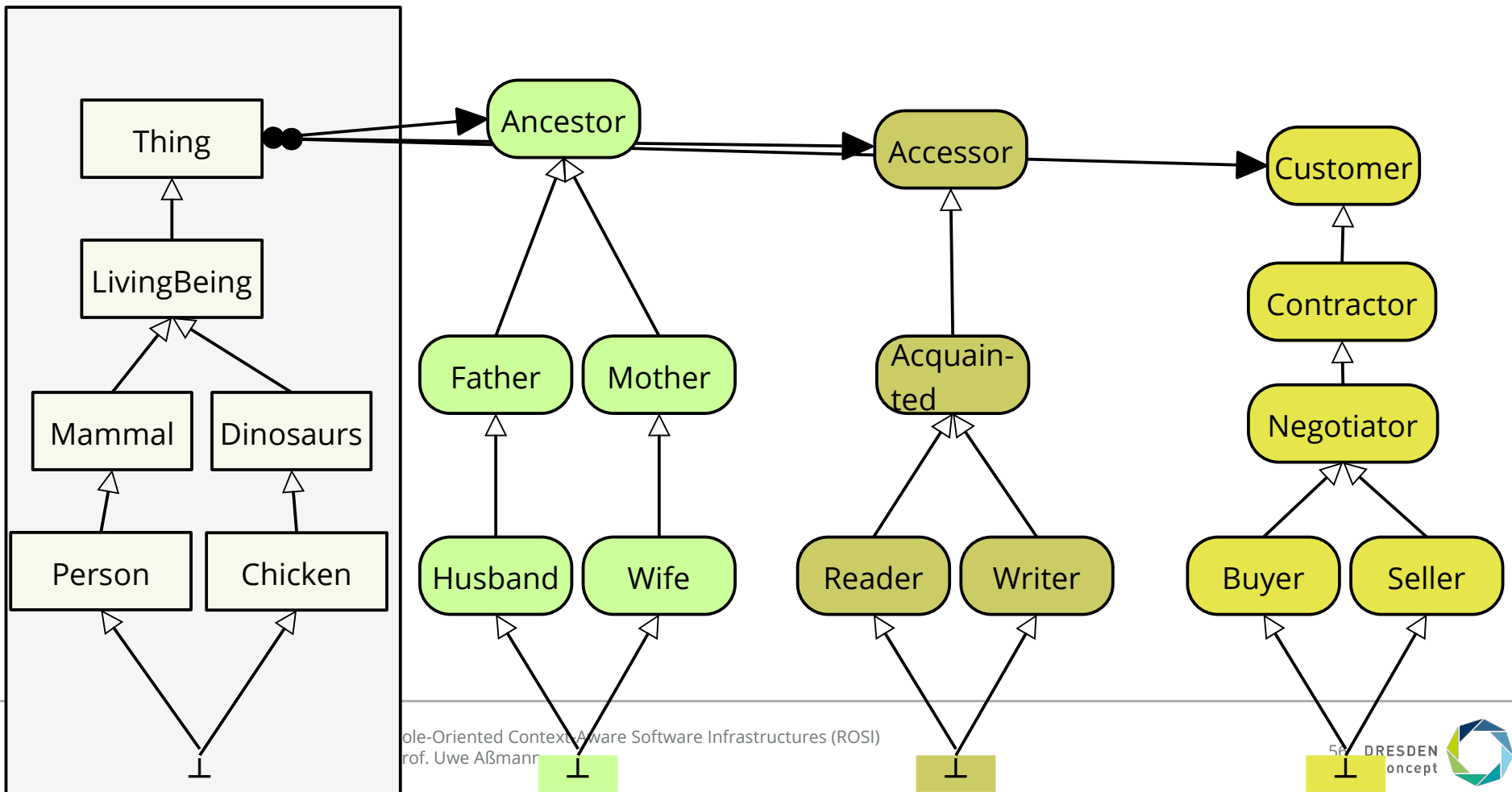
# Extension on the Steimann Product Lattice

- A new role relationship extends the product lattice by another dimension.



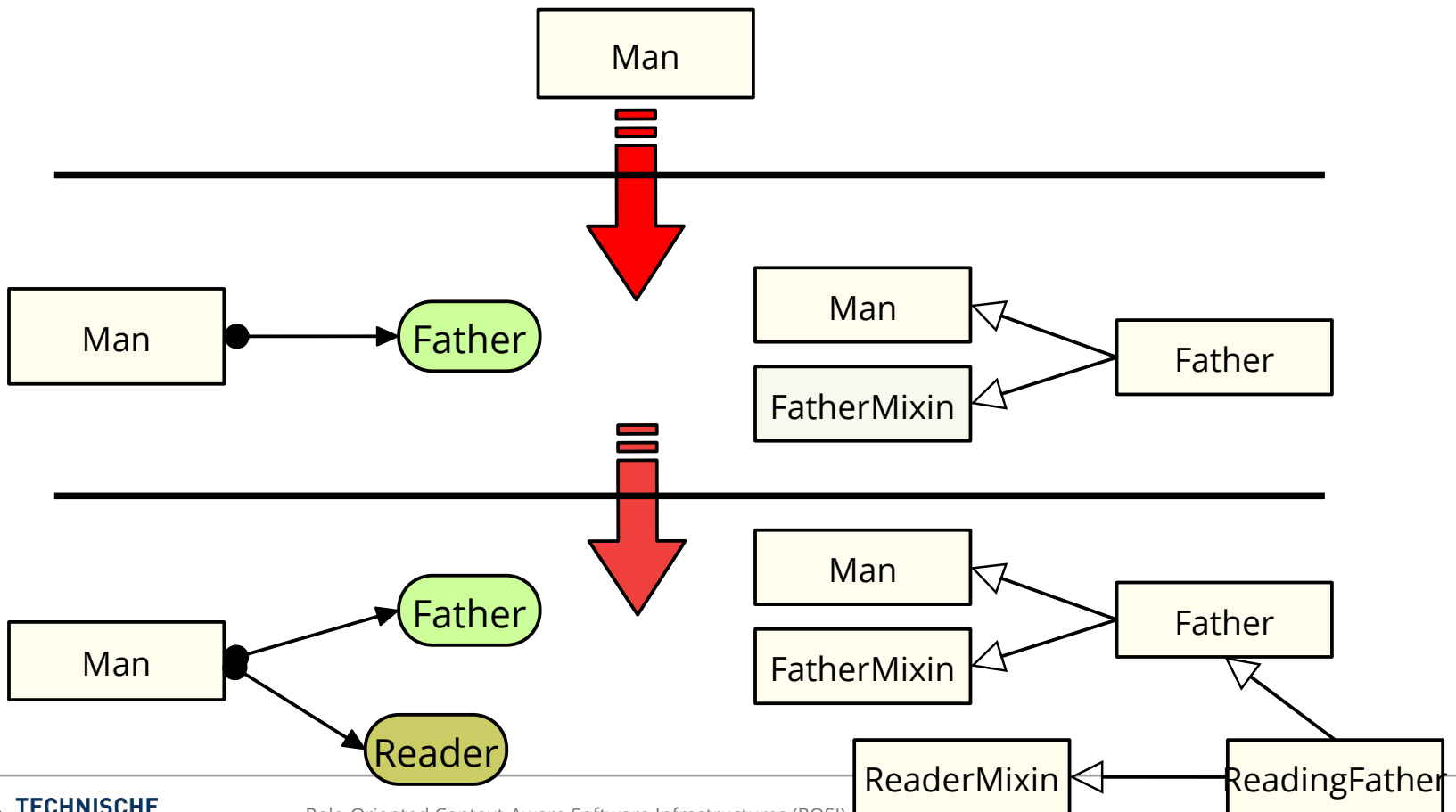
# Separation of Concerns with Roles: Identity of Objects is Fixed to Core Facet of Product Lattice

- Role type extensions does not change the name of the core type nor of the full type (polymorphism)

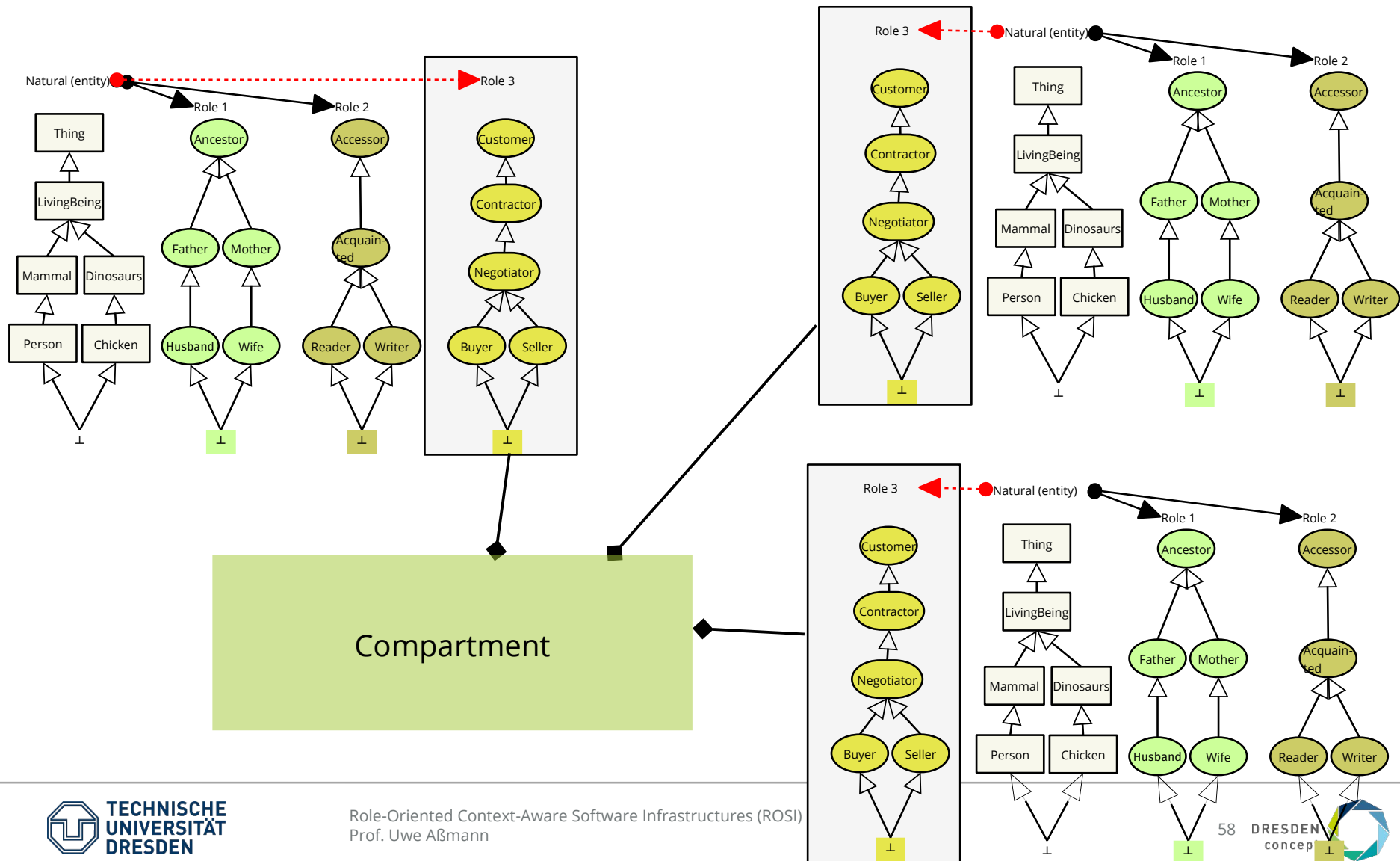


# Separation of Concerns with Roles: Simplifies Inheritance Hierarchies

- Role Extension Retains Core Identity



# Compartment Superimposition extends the Steimann Lattices of all involved Classes

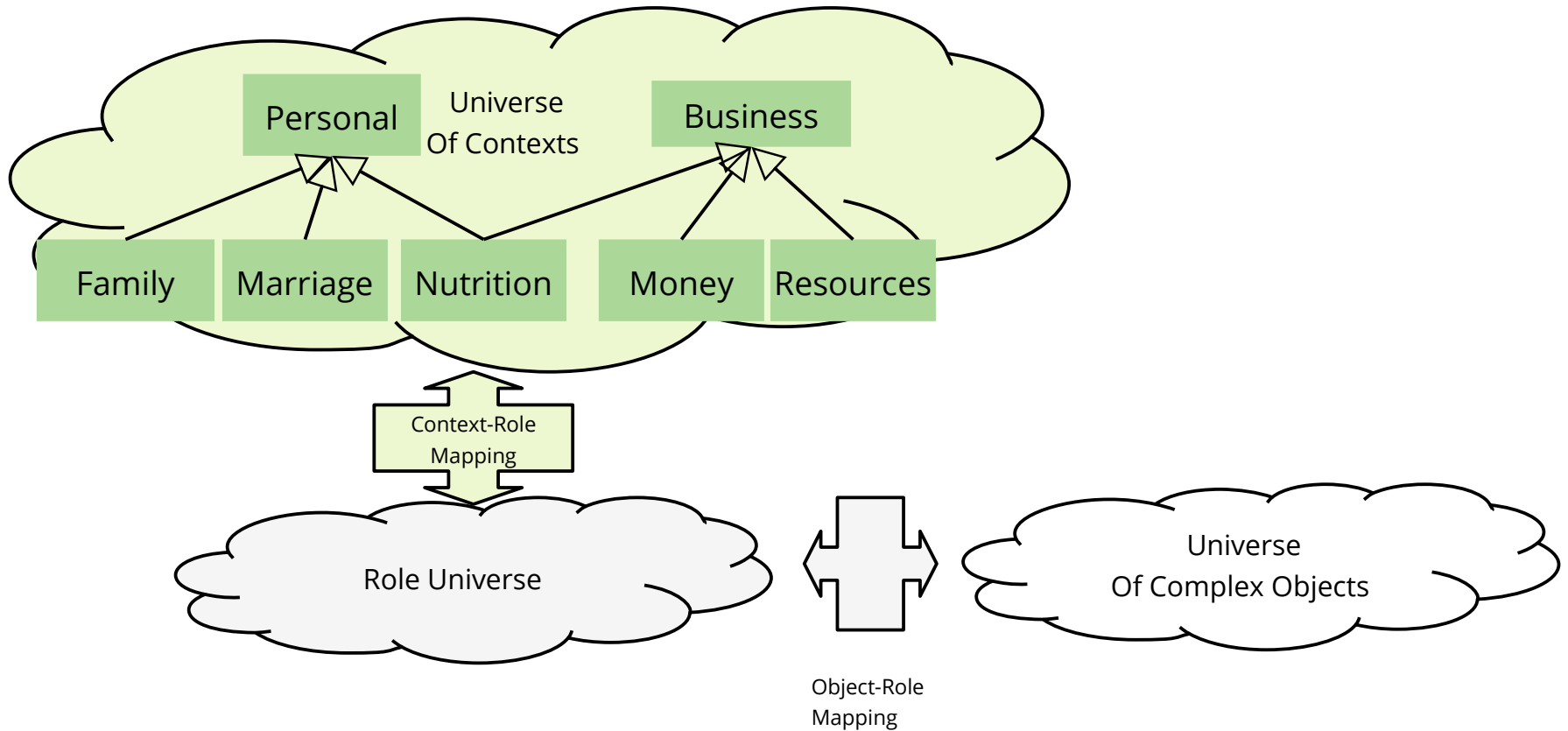


# Extension and Adaptation in the Steimann Lattice Retains Inheritance

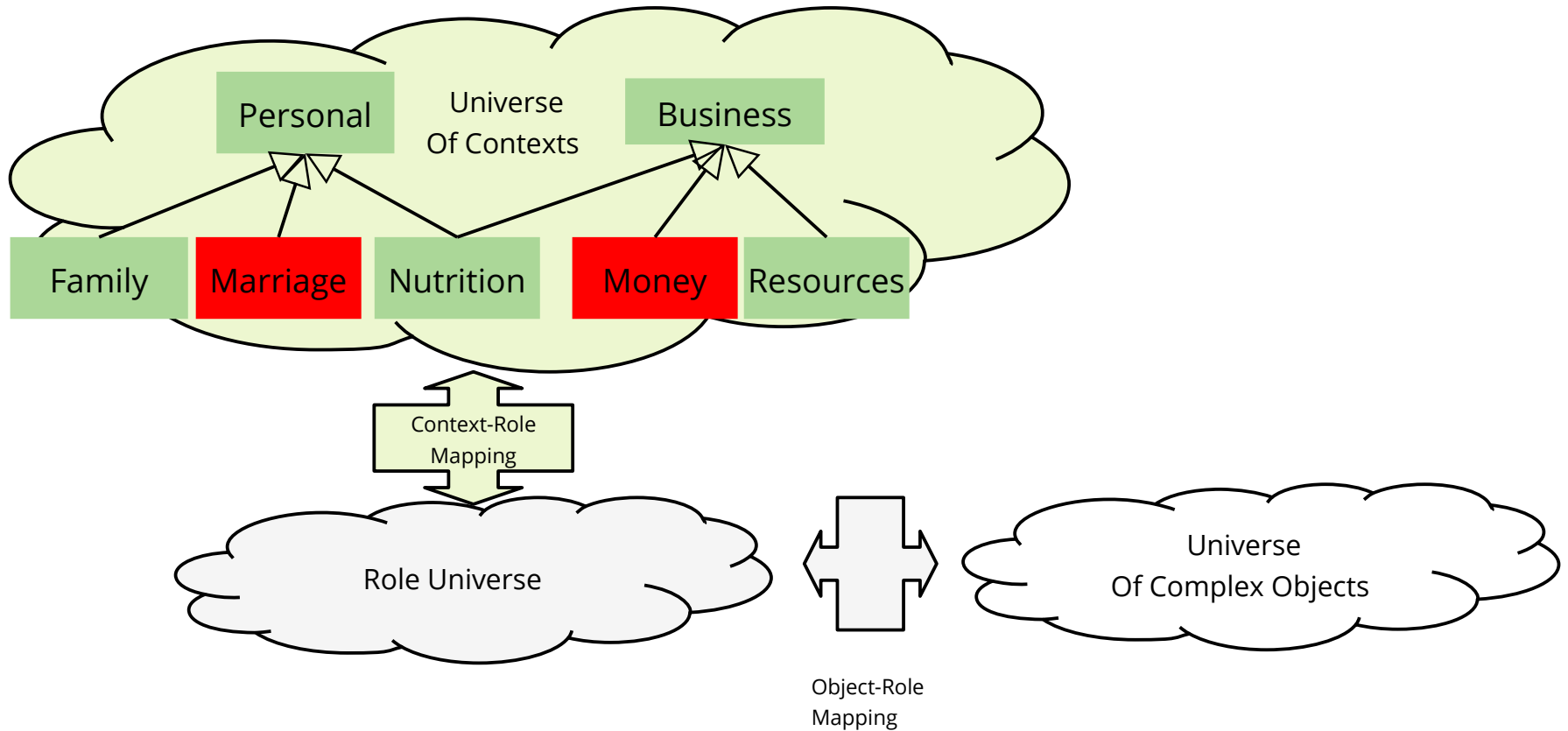
- Stable entity inheritance hierarchies, if concepts are added *relationally* to a model
  - Otherwise: extension of superclasses necessary (role classes become superclasses of entity classes)
  - Adding of new *concerns* is simple (adding a collaboration)

Superimposition of compartments to objects in Steimann-factored form retains all inheritance structures

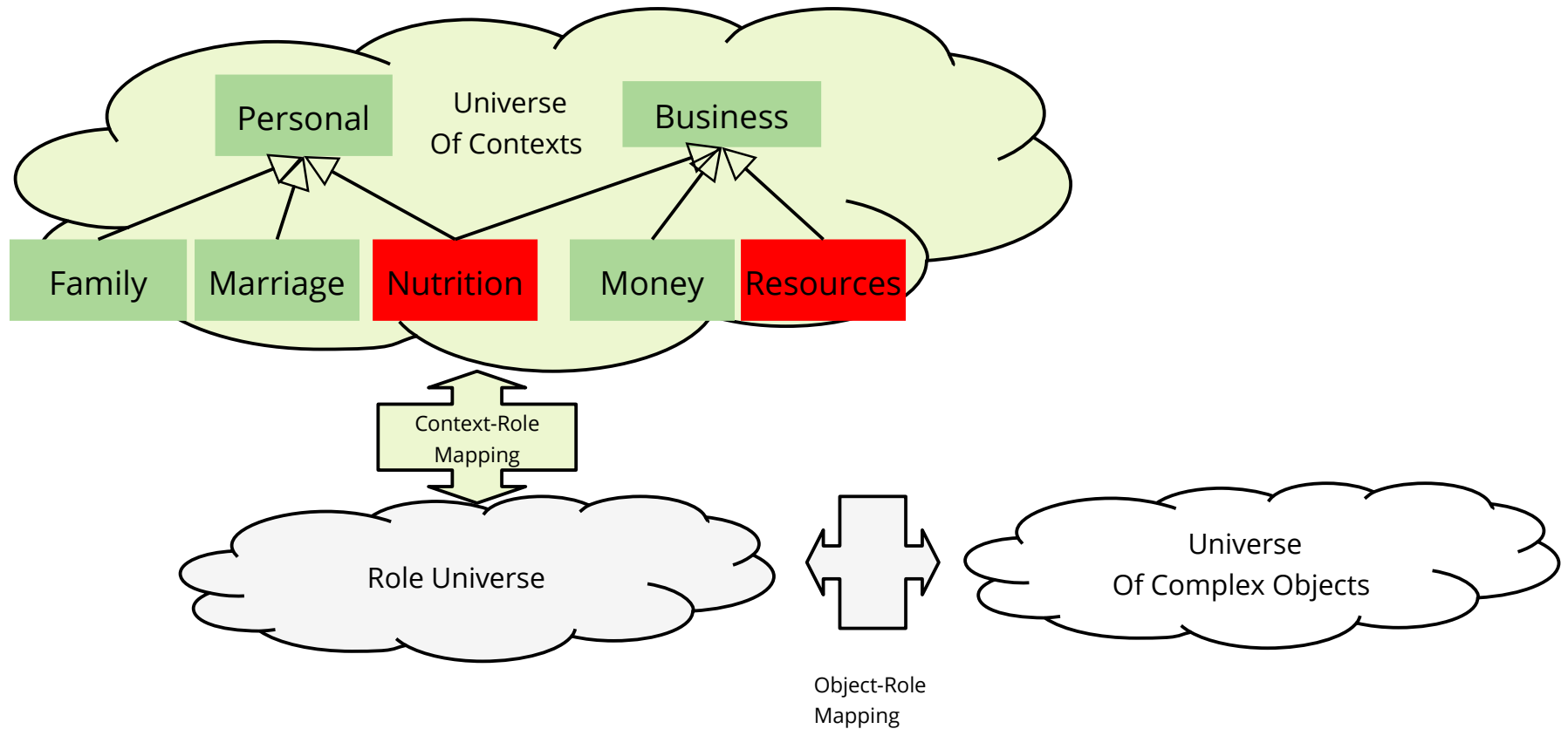
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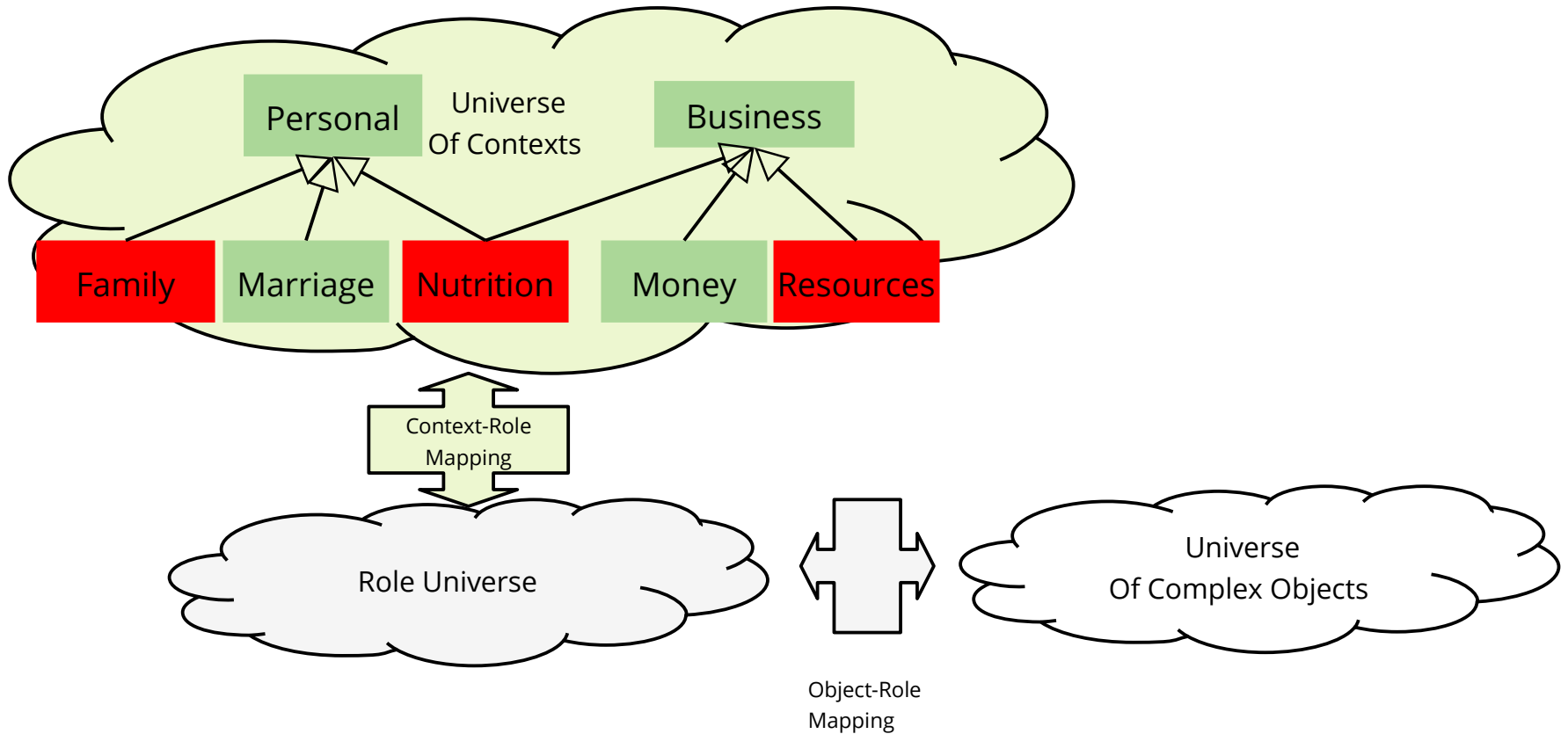


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# 4. How to Do Object-Oriented Analysis with ROSI

# Object-Oriented Analysis with ROSI

## Step 1: Ask for the Core Objects with Natural Types

Max:Person

:Resource

Buy24:Bank

Bnn:Newspaper

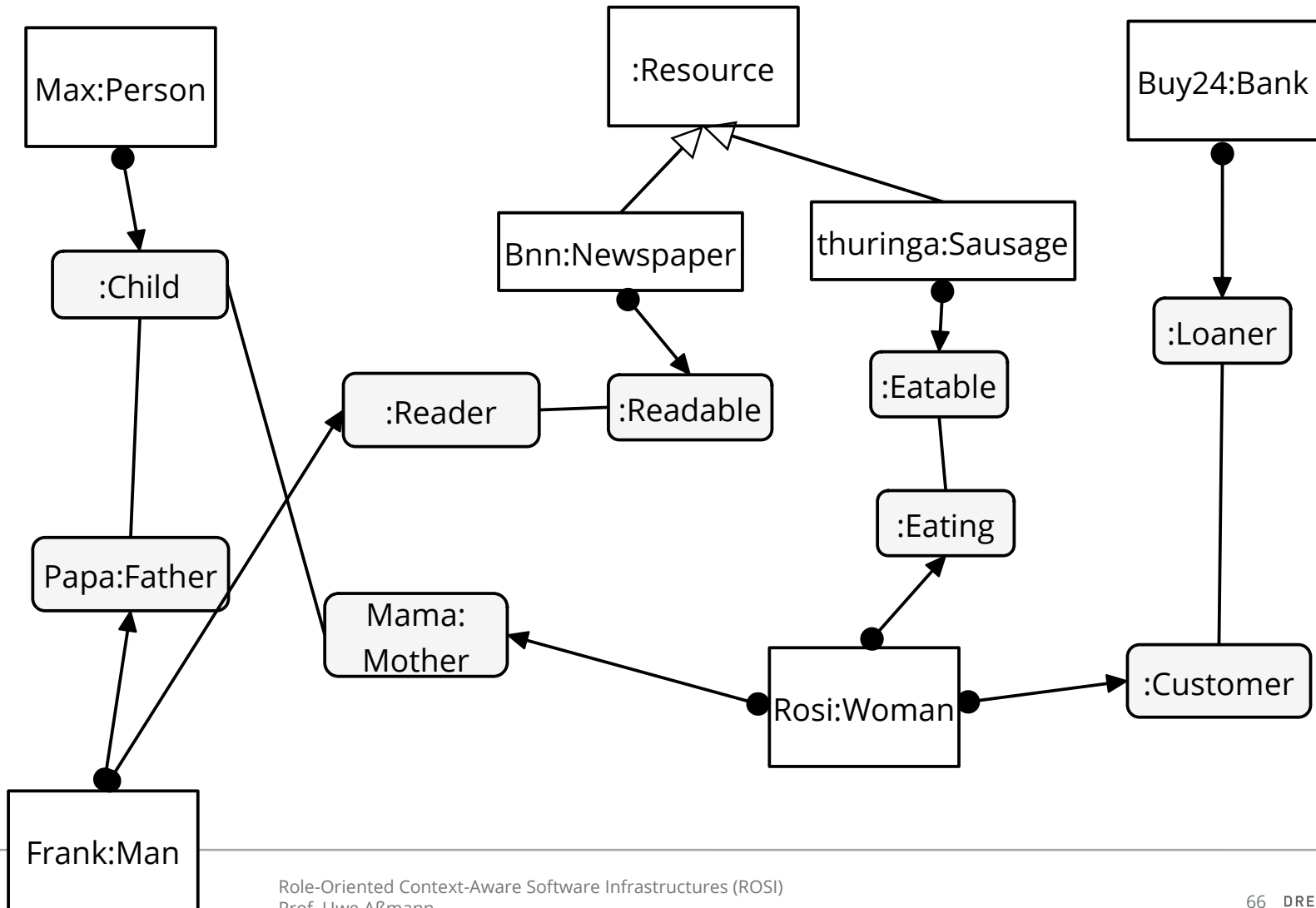
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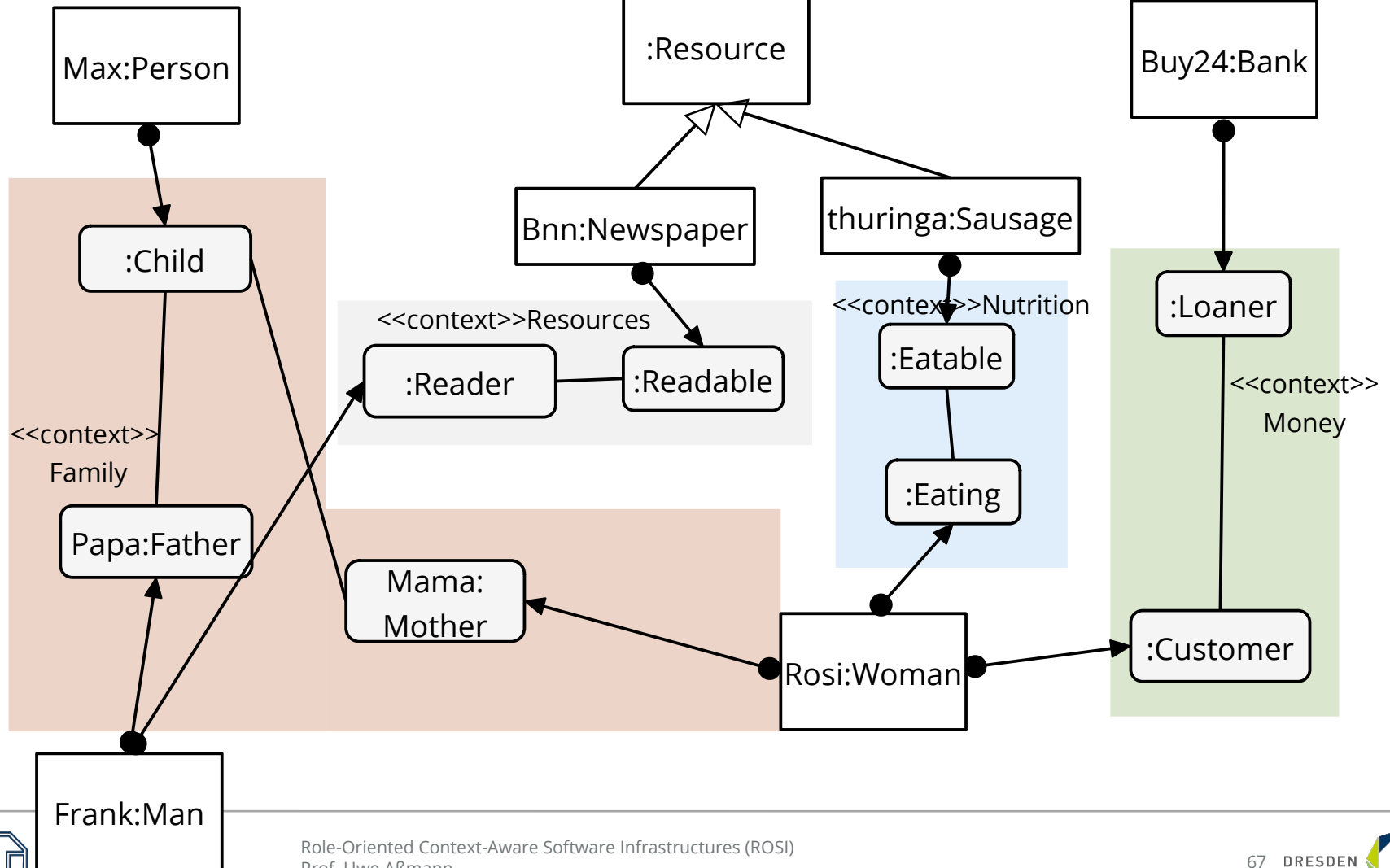
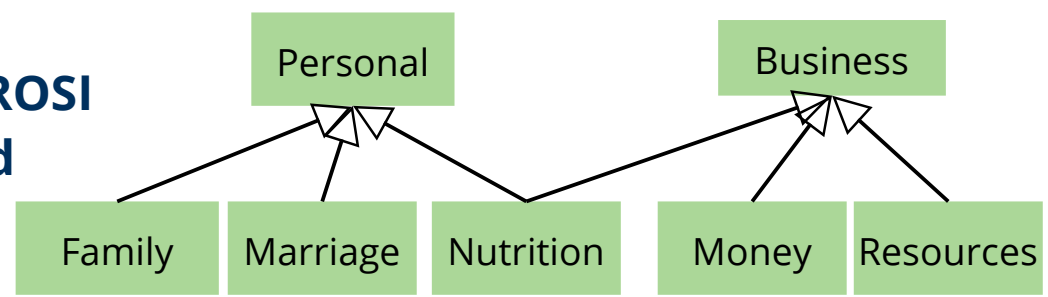
# Object-Oriented Analysis with ROSI

## Step 2: Ask for the Roles with Founded Types



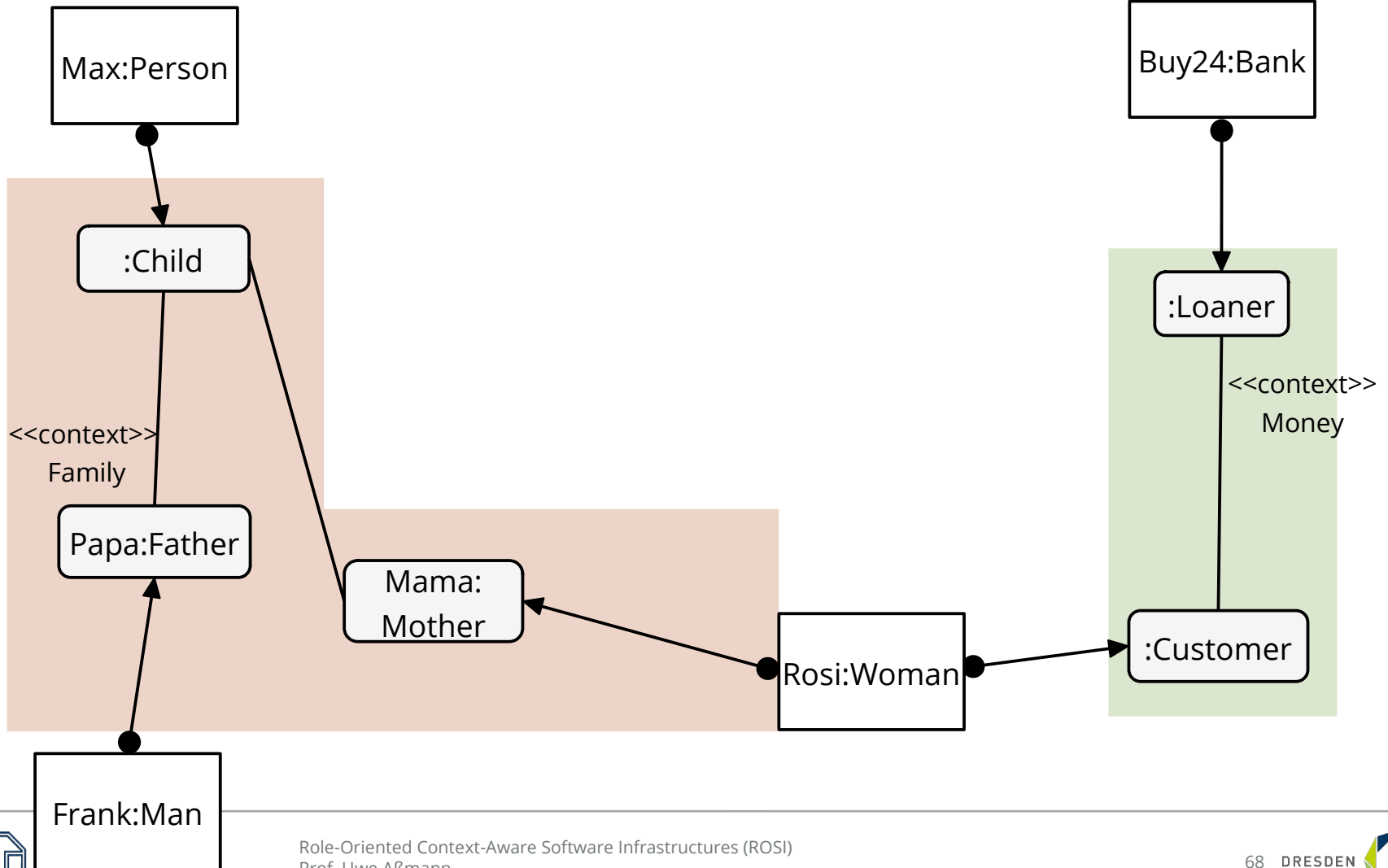
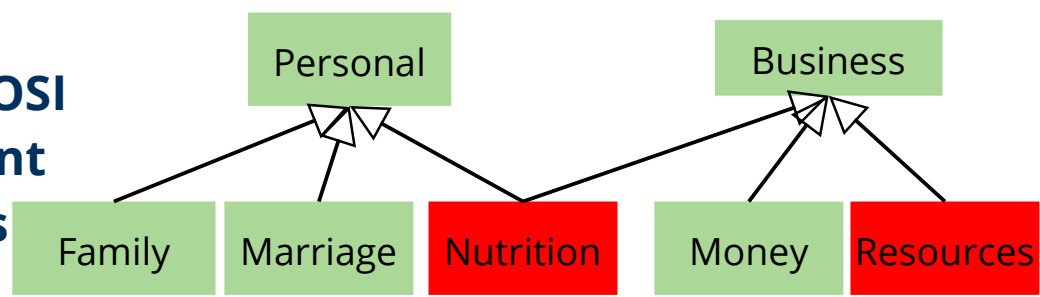
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## Step 3: Ask for the Contexts and Compartments of the Roles



# Object-Oriented Analysis with ROSI

## Step 4: Dynamic Variation: Variant with Family and Money Contexts

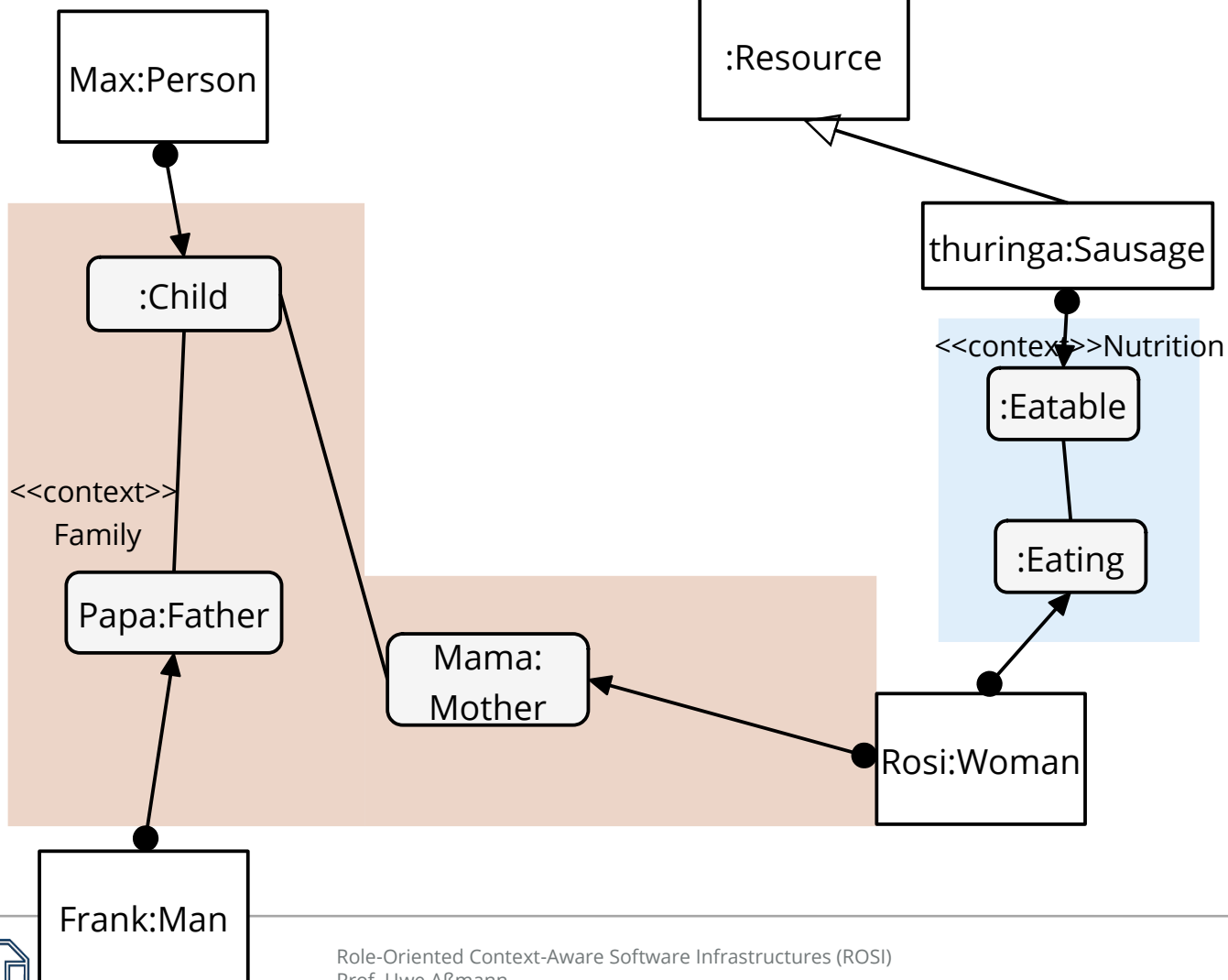
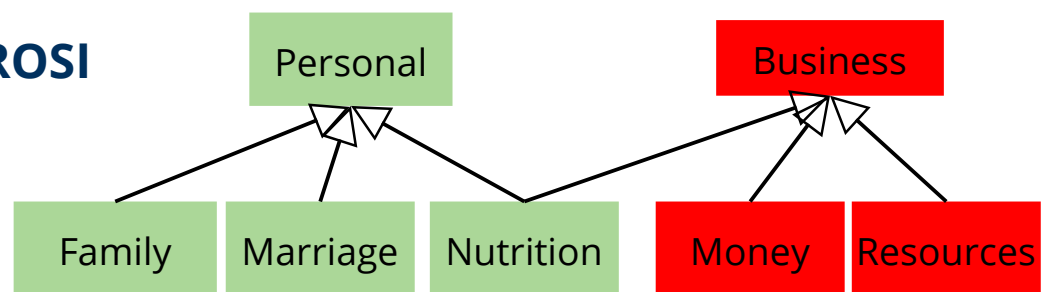


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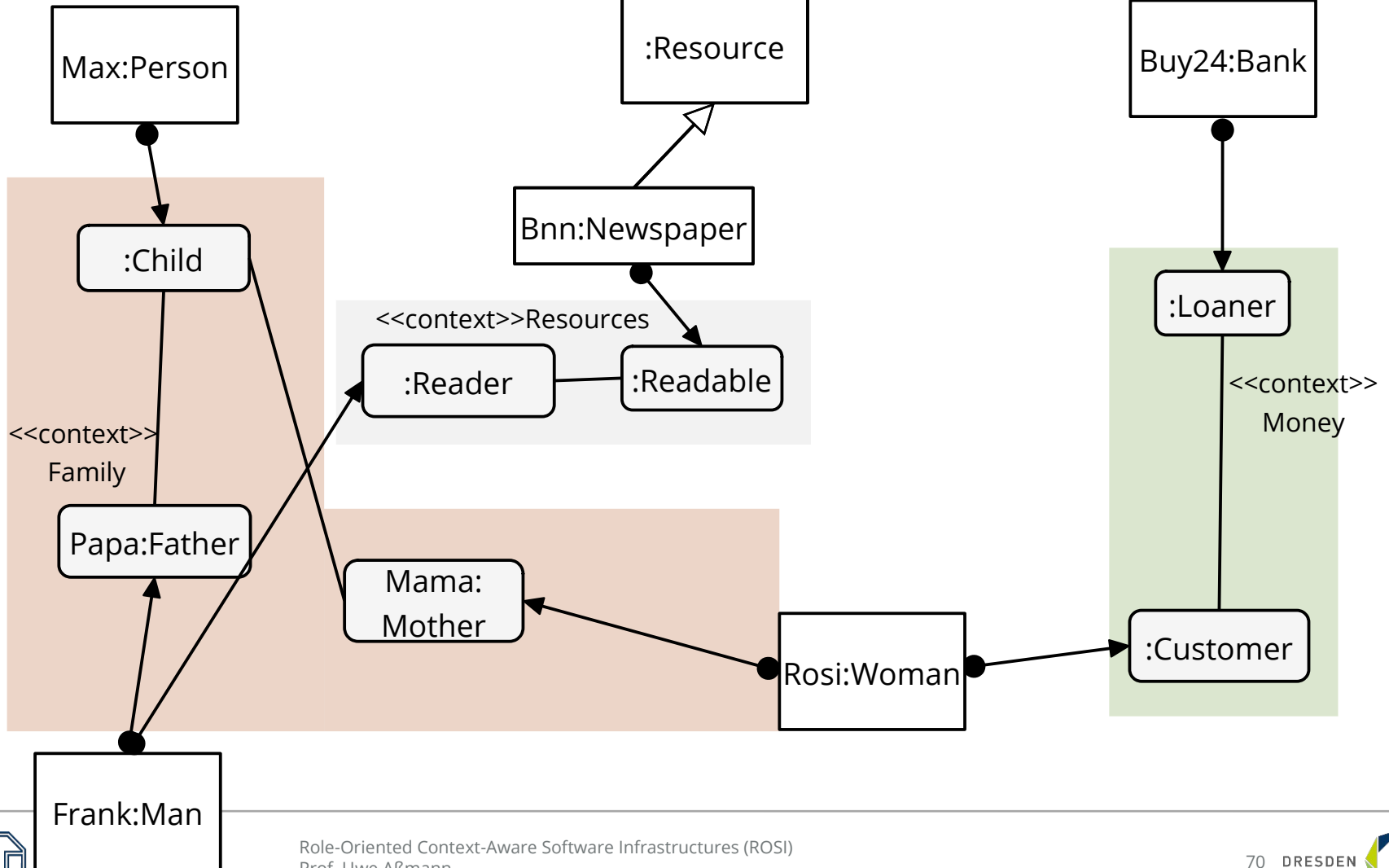
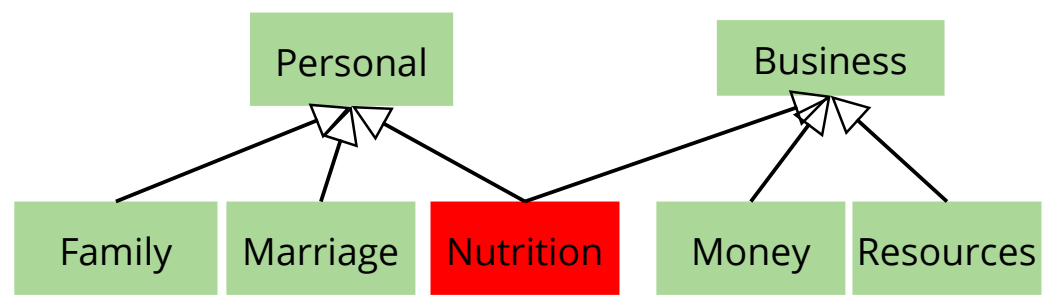
## Step 4: Dynamic Variation:

### Variant with

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**Object-Oriented Analysis with ROSI**  
**Step 4: Dynamic Variation: Variant**  
**with Compartment Hierarchy**  
**(Money, Resources) < Business | Family)**



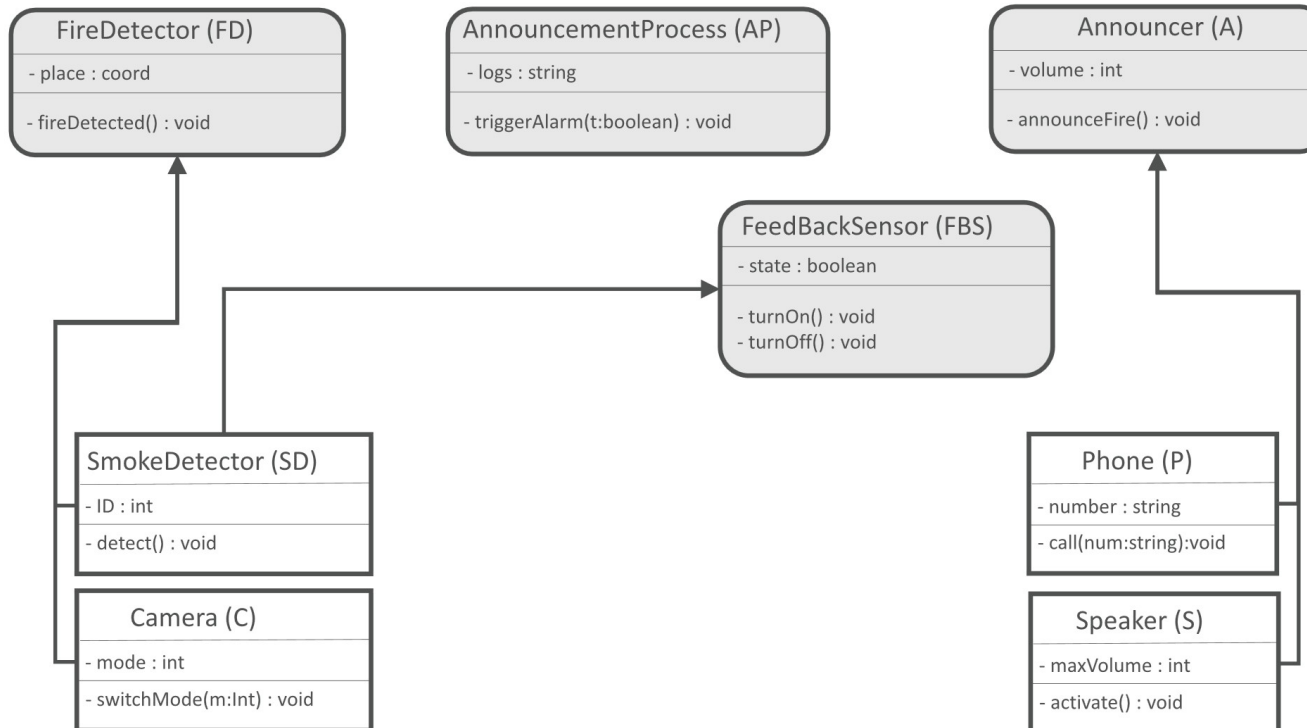


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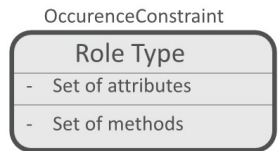
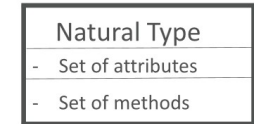
## 4.2. Scenario Fire Alarm – in the CROM Modeling Language

# Context-Dependent Runtime Models

## Compartment Role Object Model (CROM) [Kühn2015]



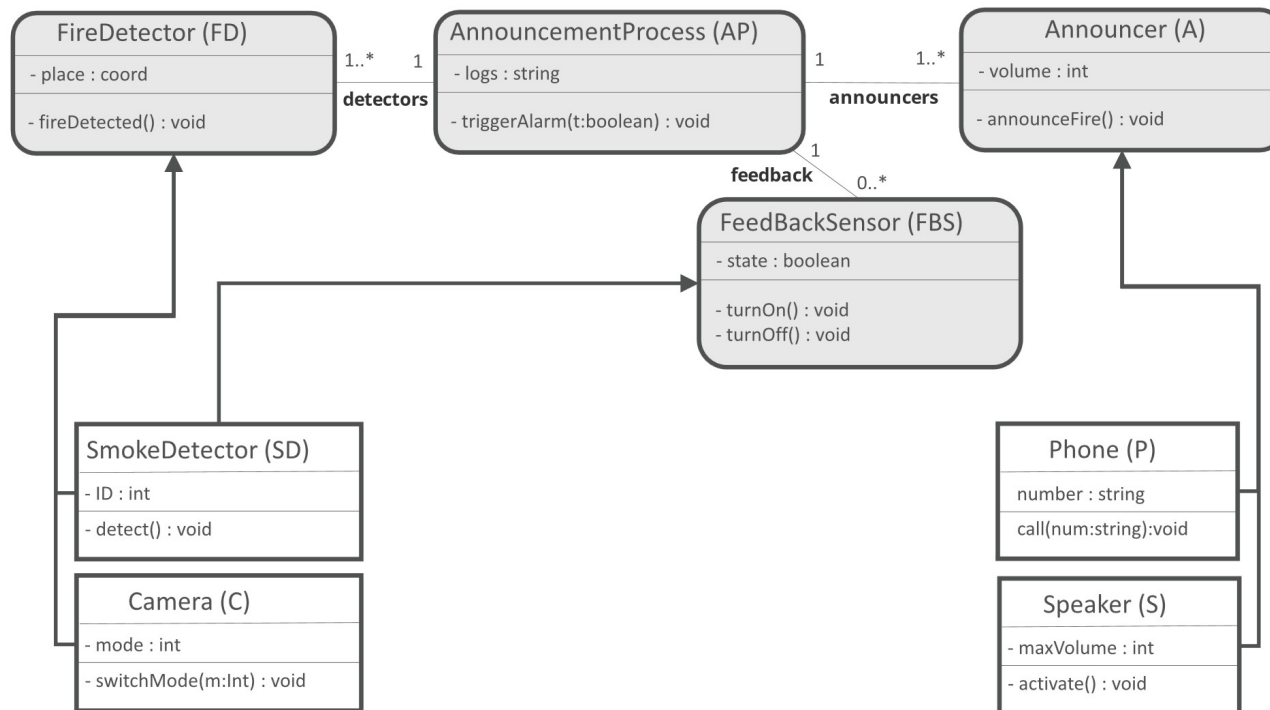
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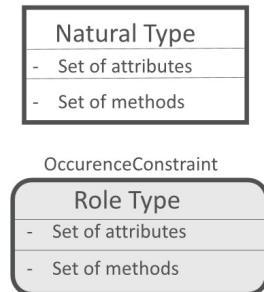
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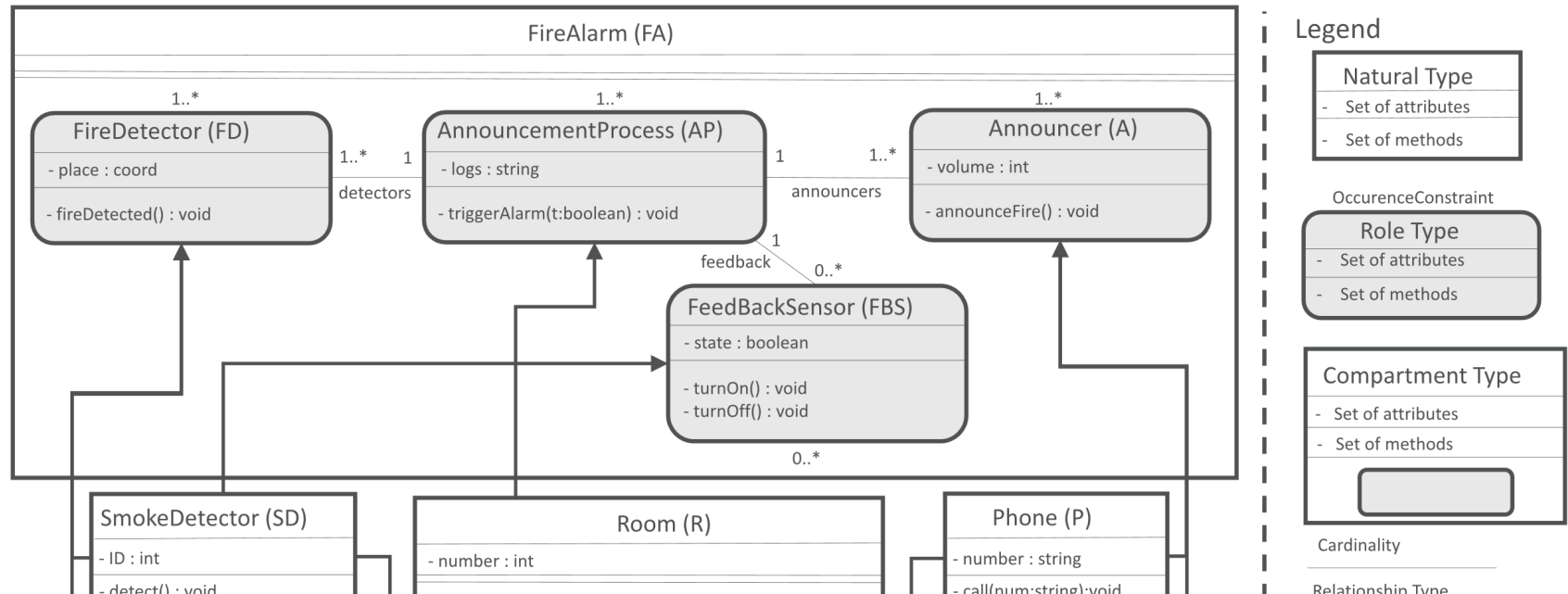
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# Context-Dependent Runtime Models

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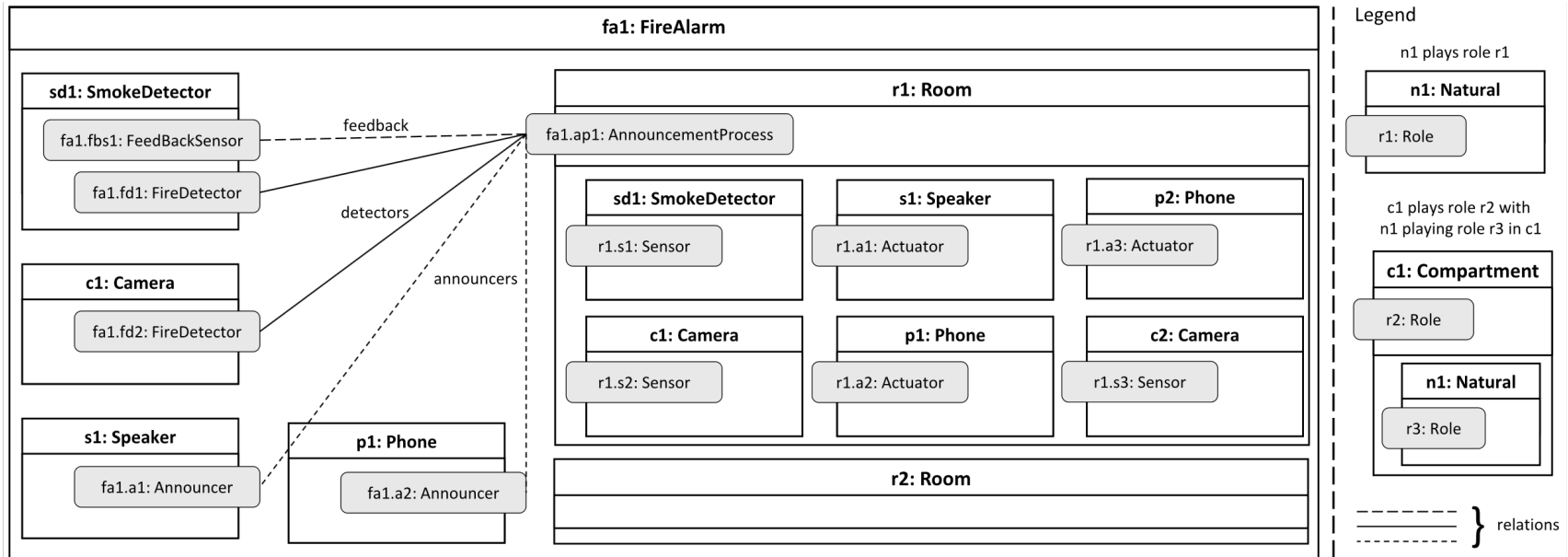


### Key properties

- Roles and Relationships depend on the compartments (contexts)
- Roles change over time
- Compartments, “players” and roles have their own identity
- Formal definition of *well-formedness*, *compliance*, and *validity*

# Context-Dependent Runtime Models

## Compartment Role Object Instance (CROI) [Kühn2015]

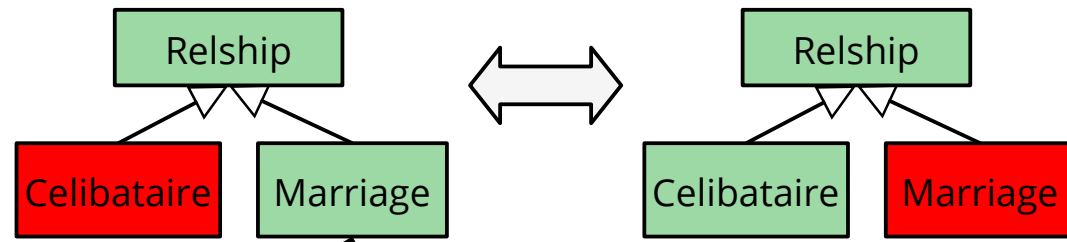


Role-Oriented Context-Aware Software Infrastructures (ROSI)

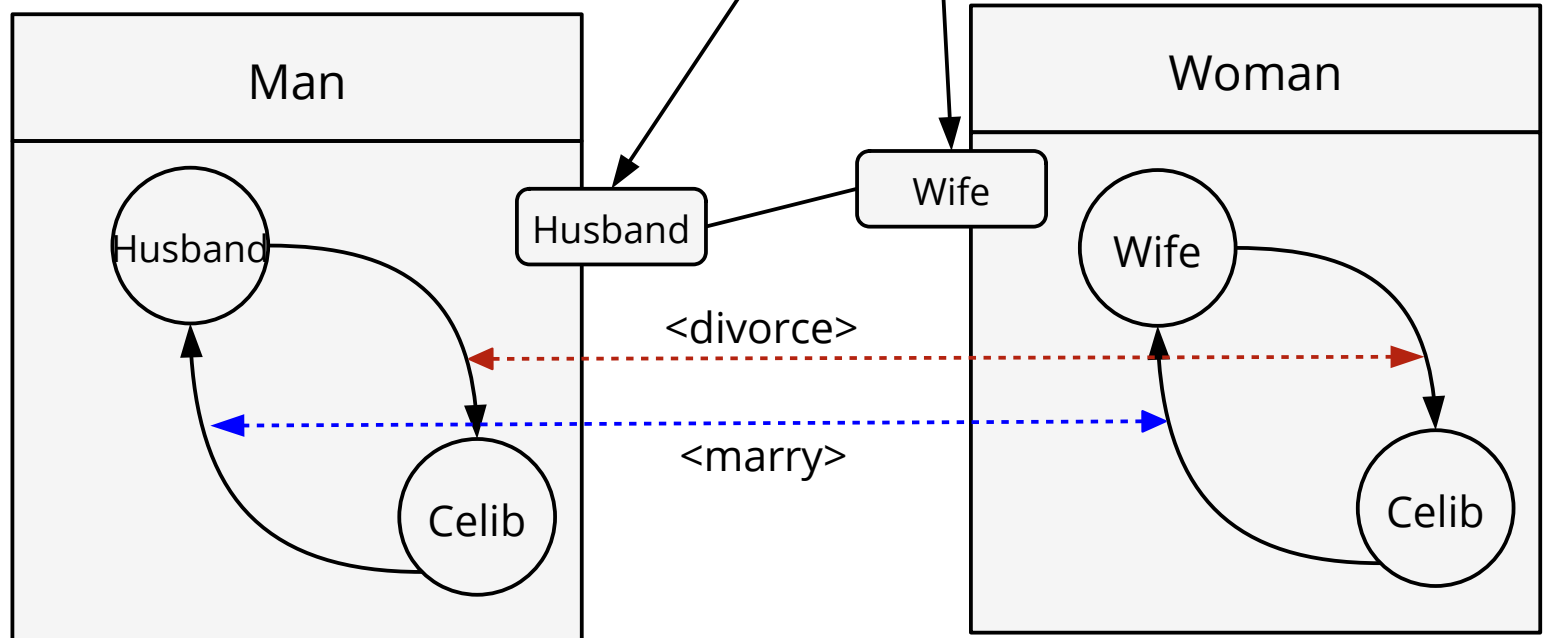
## 5. Compartments and Role Playing

Advantages of Roles: Abstraction of Behavior  
The Role-Play Automaton  
The Role-Play Petri Net

# Aquisition and Loss of Roles



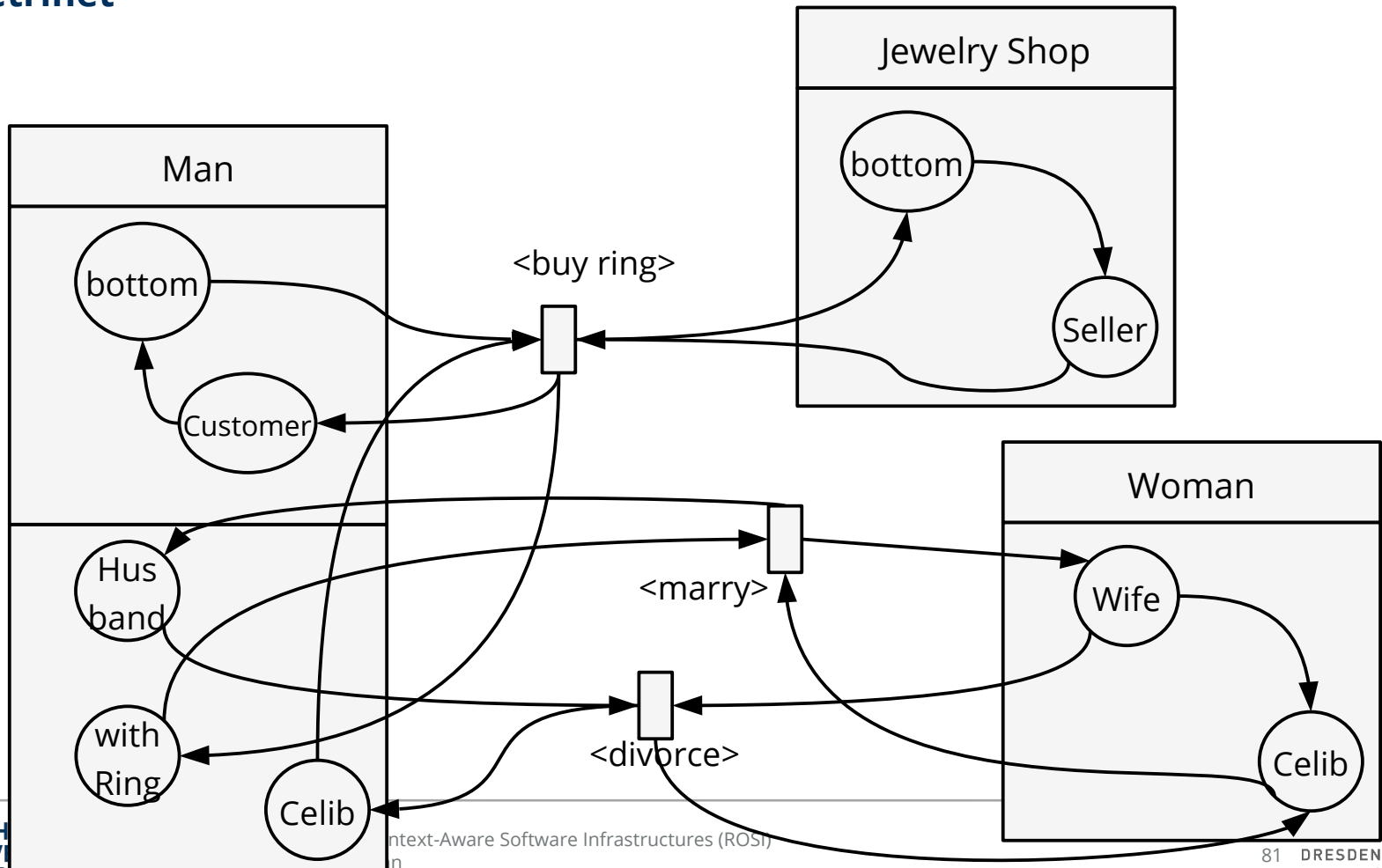
- Acquisition and Loss of Roles creates an **Role-Play Automaton** *abstracting the behavior of a class of objects*





# Parallel Acquisition and Loss of Roles

- Parallel Acquisition and Loss of Roles in a parallel class creates an **Role-Play Petrinet**



## Regular Adaptability

- Many applications have a restricted form of adaptability
- A **regularly adaptable class** has a finite role-play automaton with  $n$  compartments as states
  - Infinitely many adaptations, but regularly many

The role-play petrinet of a regularly adaptable class is  $k$ -bounded.

Role-Oriented Context-Aware Software Infrastructures (ROSI)

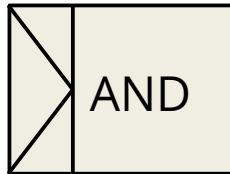
## **5. Advantages of Roles: Behavioral Extensibility**

## Extending Workflow Nets (Petri Nets)

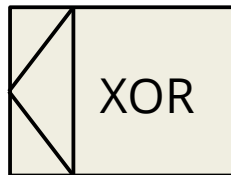
- With an appropriate behavioral specification language, classes can be extended with regard to behavior
- Example: CPN, Workflow Nets, Reference Attribute Grammars
  - for extension and variation of behavior of classes:
  - Extension of AND, OR, XOR split and join *open operators*

# Complex Transition Operators in Workflow Nets: Join and Split Open Operators of YAWL

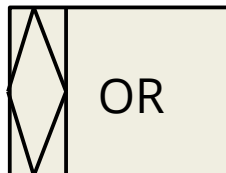
- All incoming places are ready (conjunctive input, AND-join)



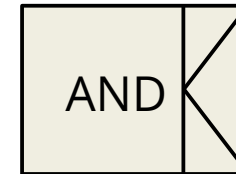
- One out of n incoming places are ready (disjunctive input)



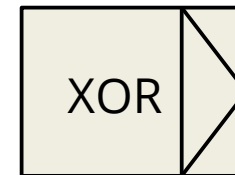
- Some out of n incoming places are ready (selective input)



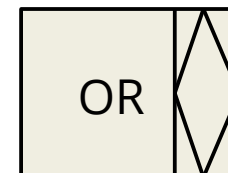
- All outgoing places are filled (conjunctive output, AND-split)



- One out of n outgoing places are filled (disjunctive output, XOR split)

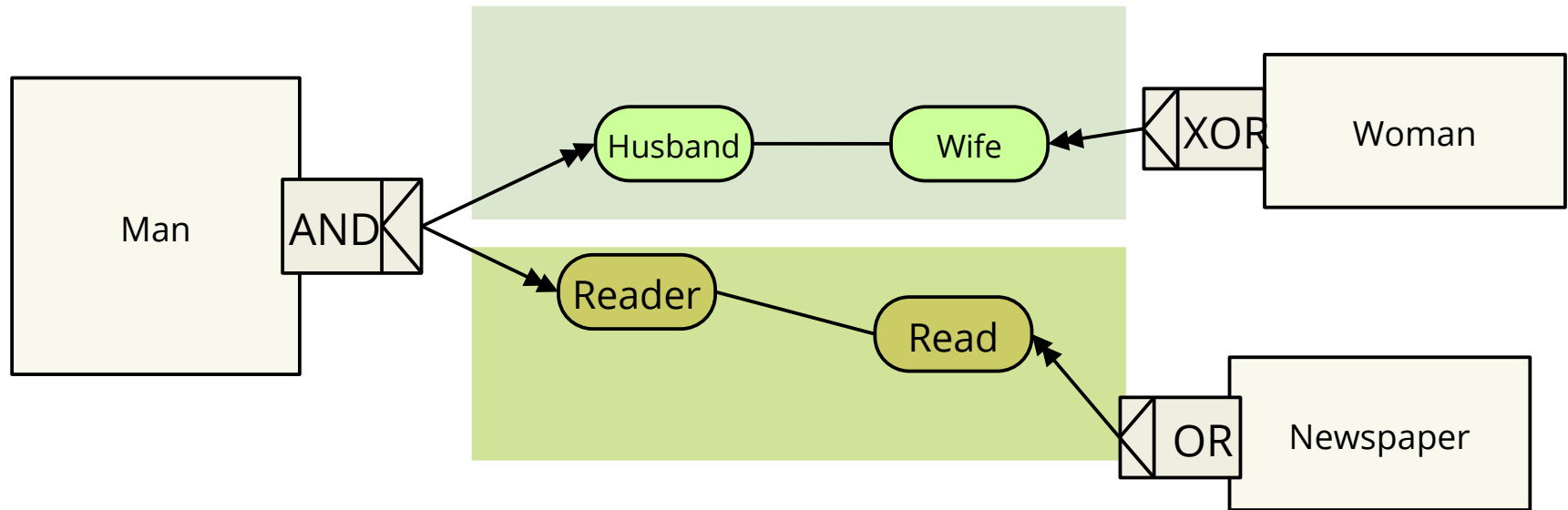


- Some out of n outgoing places are filled (selective output, OR-split)



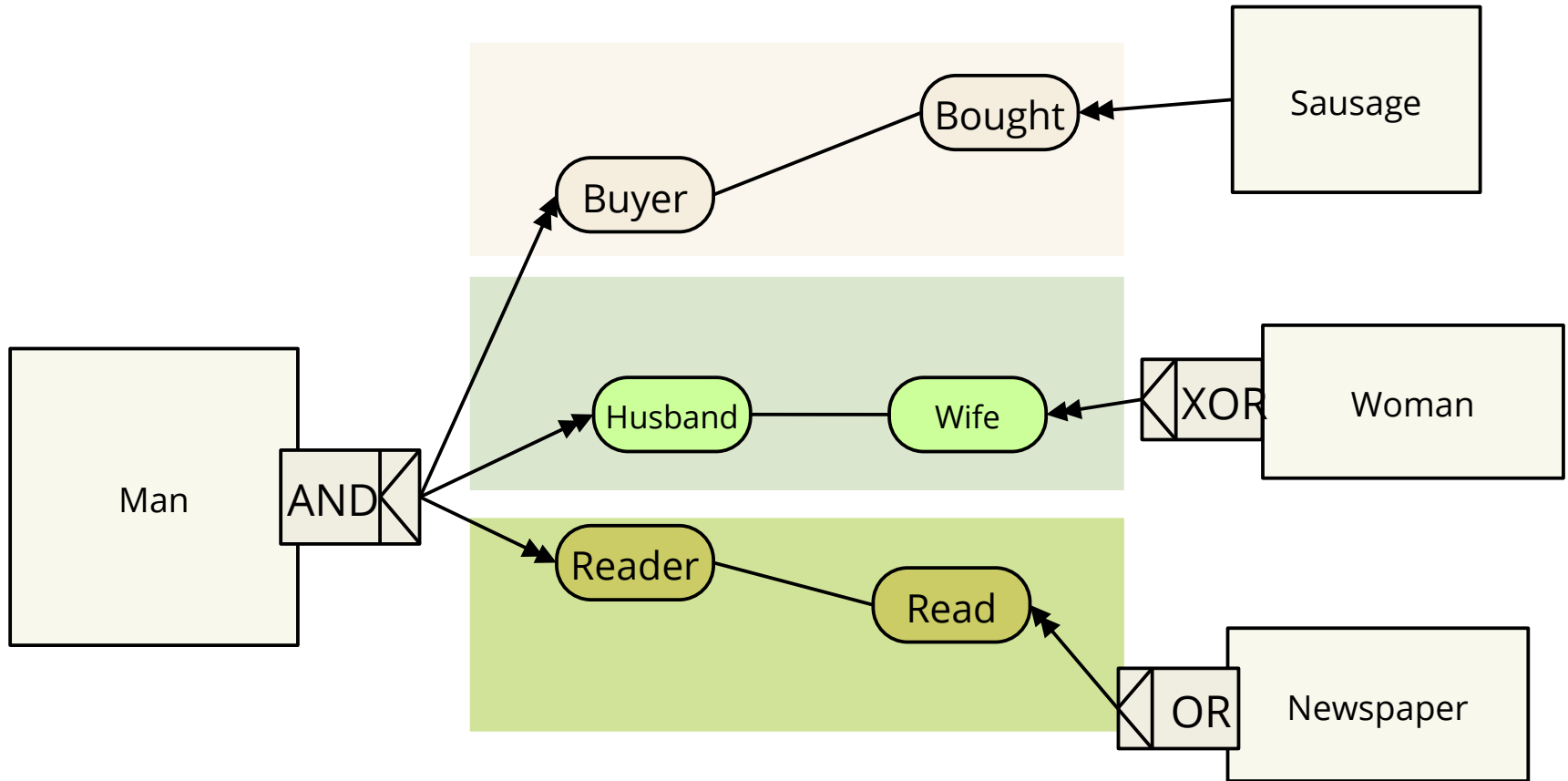
## Extension of Workflows

- Behavior can be added in *slices* to *open* split and join operators



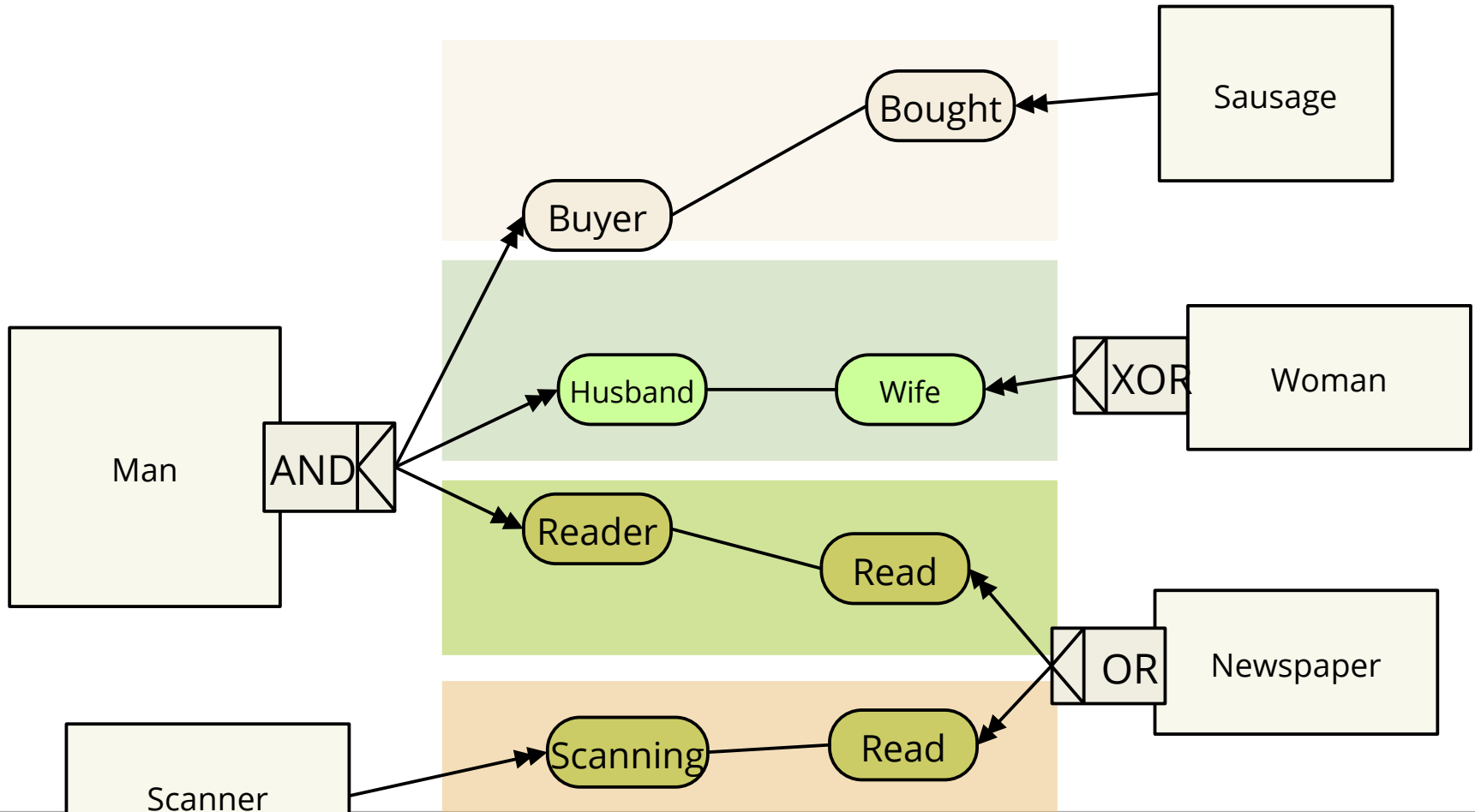
# Extension of Workflows

- with AND semantics



# Extension of Workflows

- with OR semantics





## Separation of Concerns with Roles: Role-Based Contracts are Context-Based

- Contracts describe conditions for *substitutability*
- The Role-Play Petrinet determines which contracts are active
  - in which compartment

Roles can improve contract theory for object-oriented programs

# ROSI Programming with SCROLL

- Compartment and Role Classes
- Dynamic Role Playing with *deep roles*
- SCROLL Scala Library <https://github.com/max-leuthaeuser>

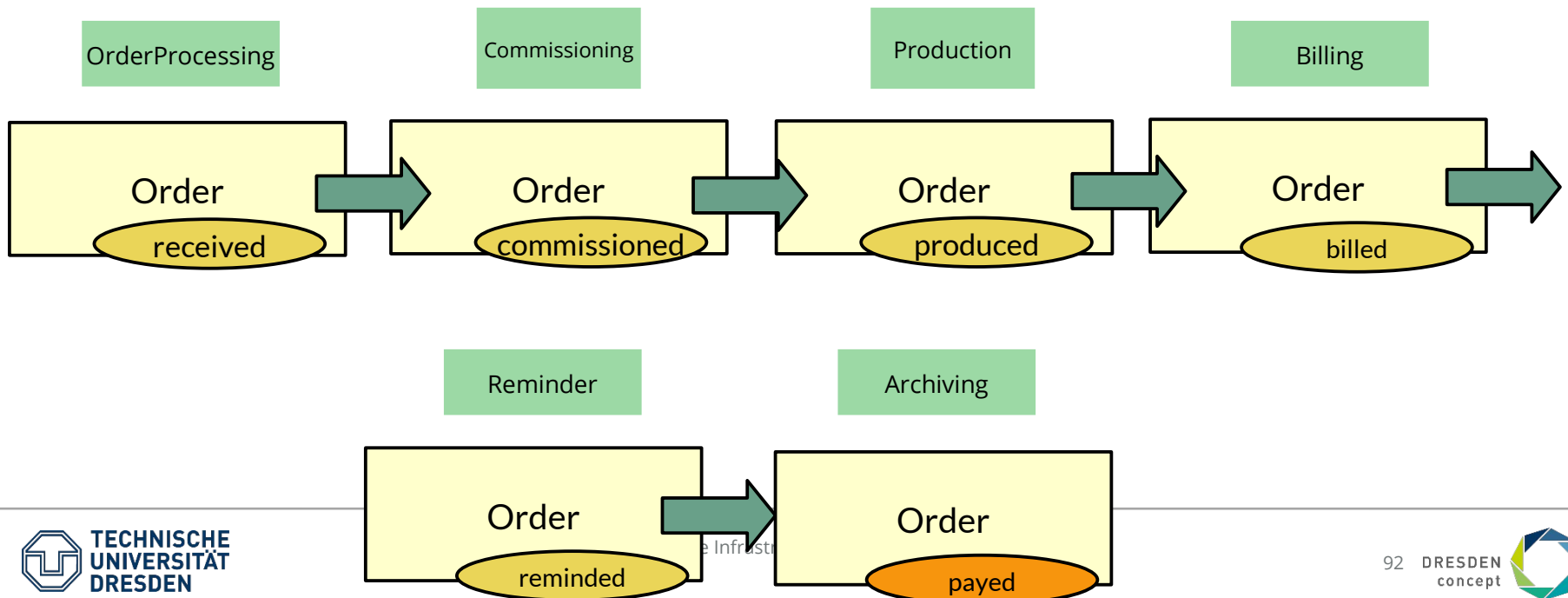
Roles and context are ready for programming in SCROLL

Role-Oriented Context-Aware Software Infrastructures (ROSI)

## **6. Roles and their Benefit for Separation of Concerns**

# Business Objects with Roles and Contexts

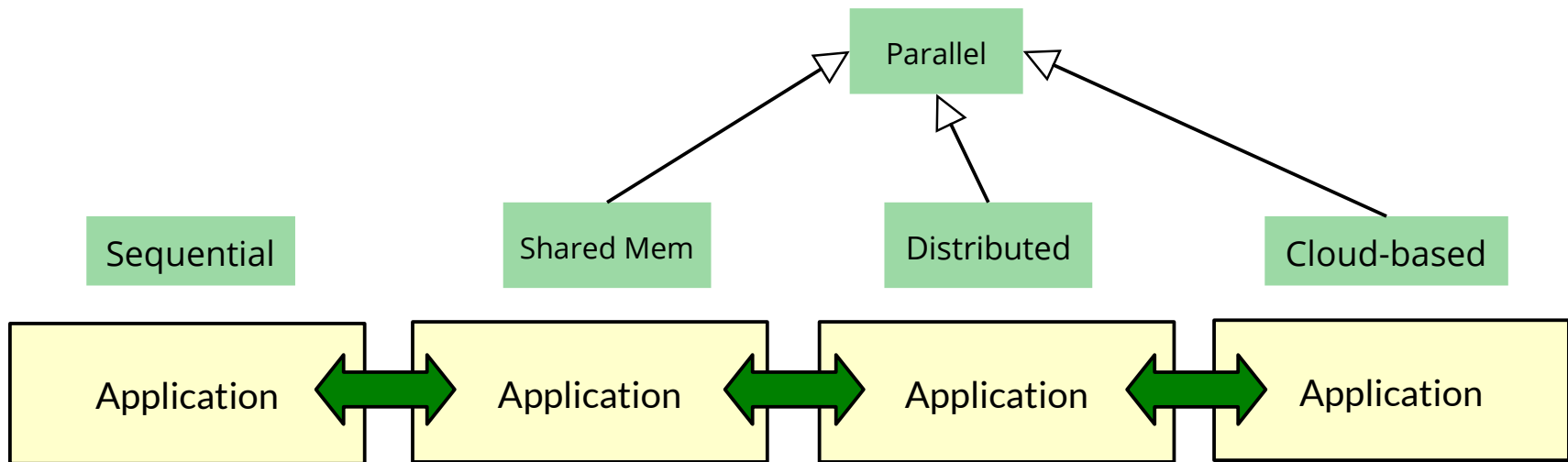
- In large ERP frameworks (see SAP) business objects get very complex
- Ex.: **Order** gets different contexts, with roles
  - Every phase defines a context with different collaborators
- Dynamic Extensibility and Variability (Adaptation) by activation of new contexts



# Parallel Objects with Roles and Contexts

- Selection of synchronisationprotocol by activation of new contexts

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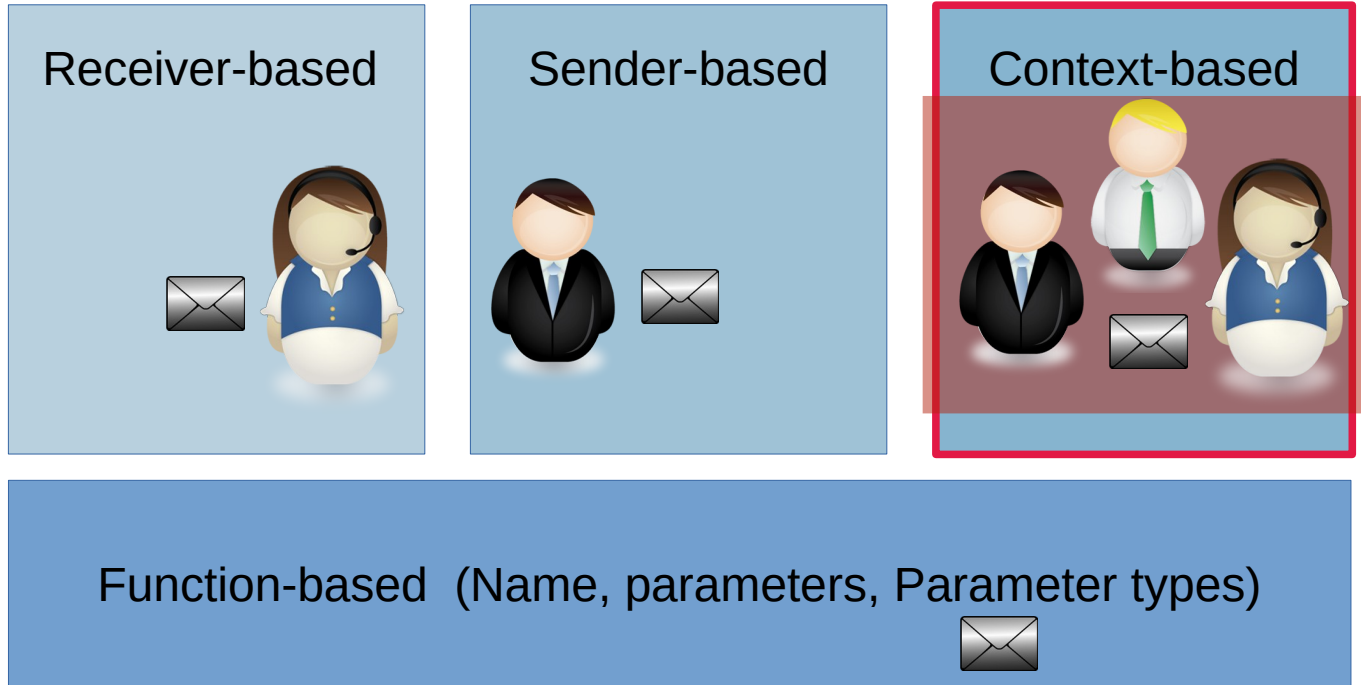


# Advantages of ROSI for System Construction

- Separation of Concerns
  - Natural features – Context-dependent features
  - Dynamic features – static features
- Representation of roles as interprocedural graph slices
- Adaptability
  - Extensibility
  - Aspect Orientation (behavioral extensibility)
  - Variability (delayed role embedding decisions)
  - Substitutability (of roles and role models)

# ROSI supports Roles and Contexts for Multi-Dimensional Dispatch for Multi-Polymorphism

- How is the semantics of a function (method) determined?



## Dijkstra on Separation of Concerns

E. W. Dijkstra "On the Role of Scientific Thought", EWD 447 Selected Writings on Computing: A Personal Perspective, pages 60–66, 1982.

"Let me try to explain to you, what to my taste is *characteristic for all intelligent thinking*.

It is, that one is willing to study in depth **an aspect of one's subject matter in isolation** for the sake of its own consistency, all the time knowing that one is occupying oneself only with one of the aspects.

We know that a program must be correct and we can study it from that viewpoint only; we also know that it should be efficient and we can study its efficiency on another day, so to speak. In another mood we may ask ourselves whether, and if so: why, the program is desirable. But nothing is gained --on the contrary!-- by tackling these various aspects simultaneously.

Roles and contexts introduce separations of concerns.



# Intelligent thinking and scientific thought

It is what I sometimes have called "**the separation of concerns**", which, even if not perfectly possible, is yet the only available technique for effective ordering of one's thoughts, that I know of.

This is what I mean by "**focussing one's attention upon some aspect**": it does not mean ignoring the other aspects, it is just doing justice to the fact that from this aspect's point of view, the other is irrelevant. It is being one- and multiple-track minded simultaneously.

Scientific thought comprises "intelligent thinking" as described above. A scientific discipline emerges with the --usually rather slow!-- discovery of which aspects can be meaningfully "**studied in isolation for the sake of their own consistency**", in other words: with the discovery of useful and helpful concepts. Scientific thought comprises in addition the conscious search for the useful and helpful concepts.

# The End

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