



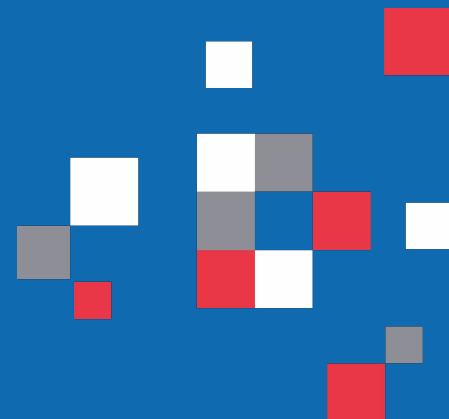
Introduction to Interoperability and Standards

Basics to understand interoperability



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Basic concepts

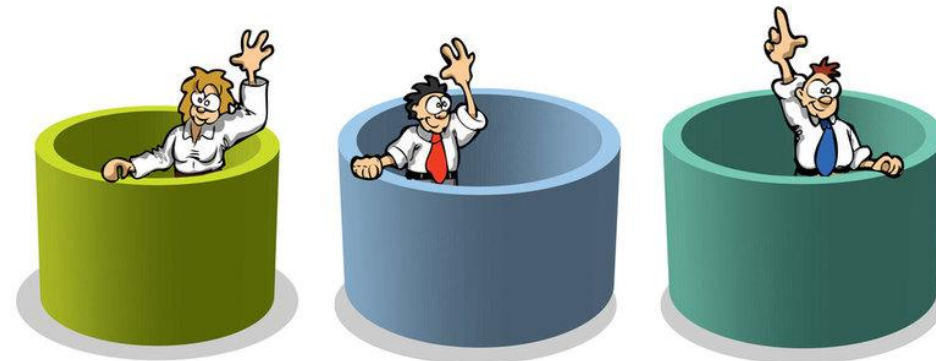
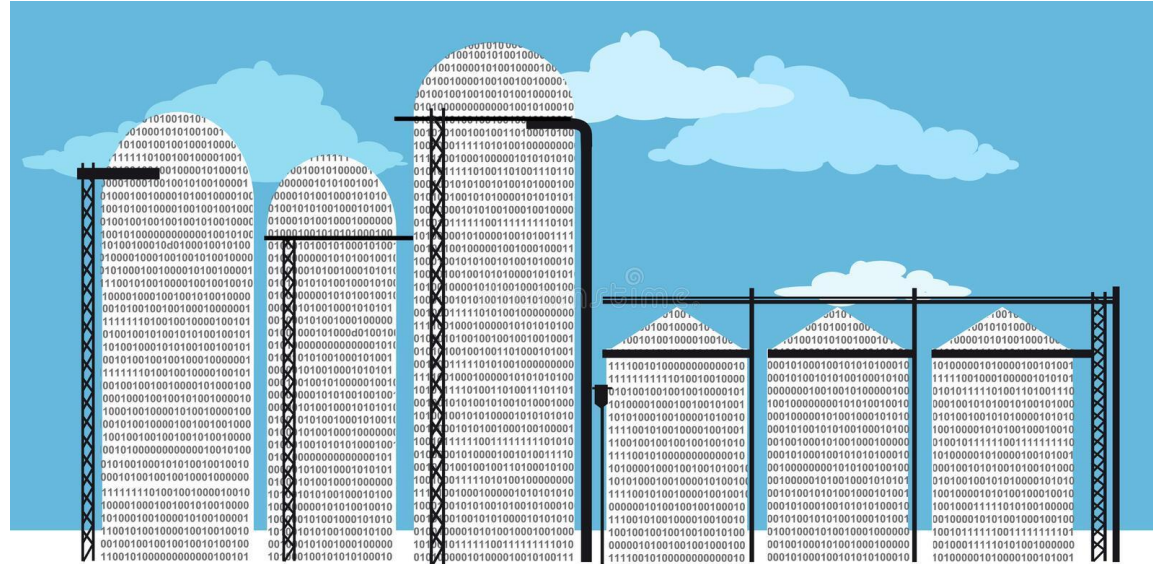


The big problems

The Silo Effect



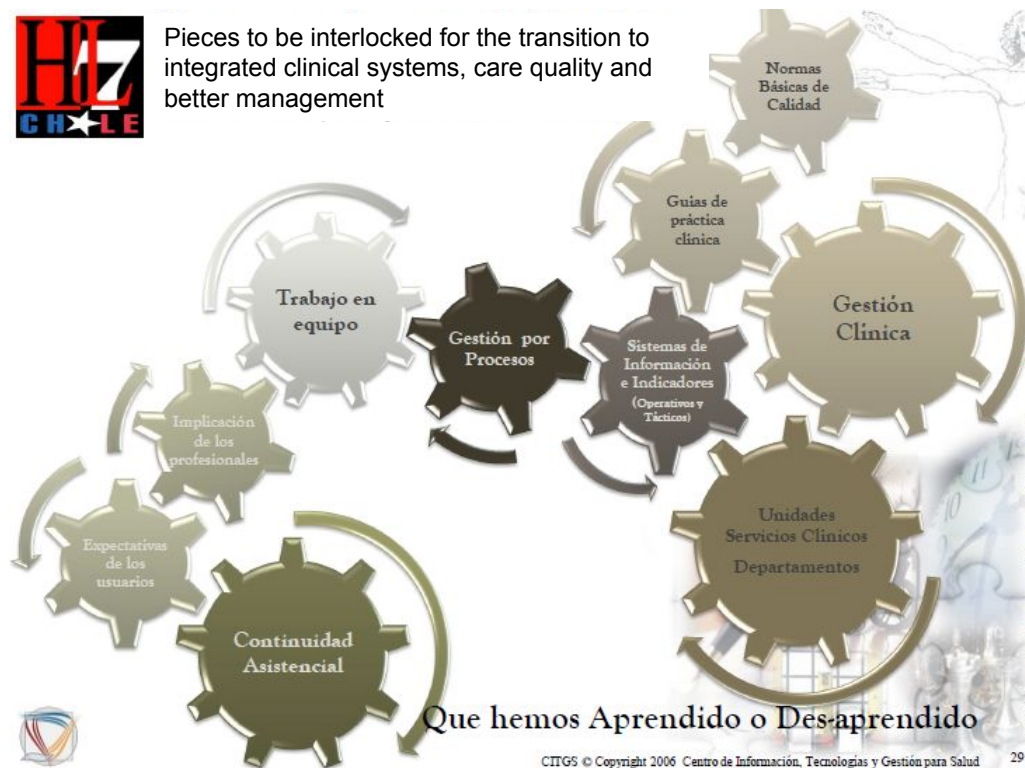
THERE MUST BE A BETTER WAY TO TALK!



The change of paradigm



Pieces to be interlocked for the transition to integrated clinical systems, care quality and better management



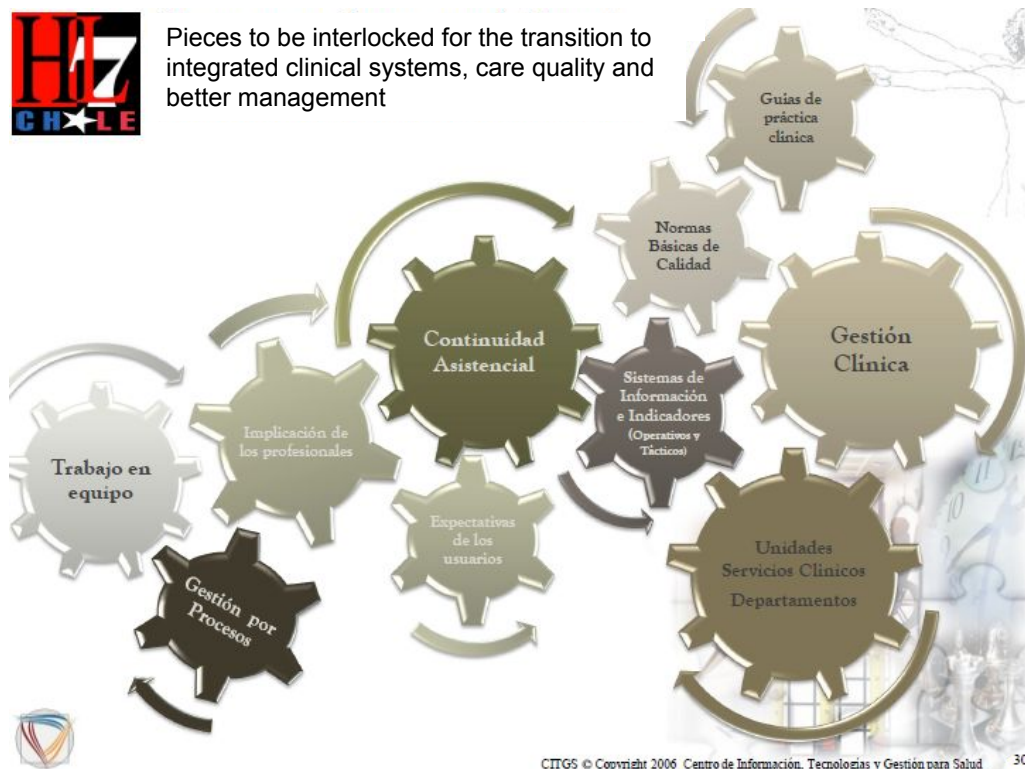
Que hemos Aprendido o Des-aprendido

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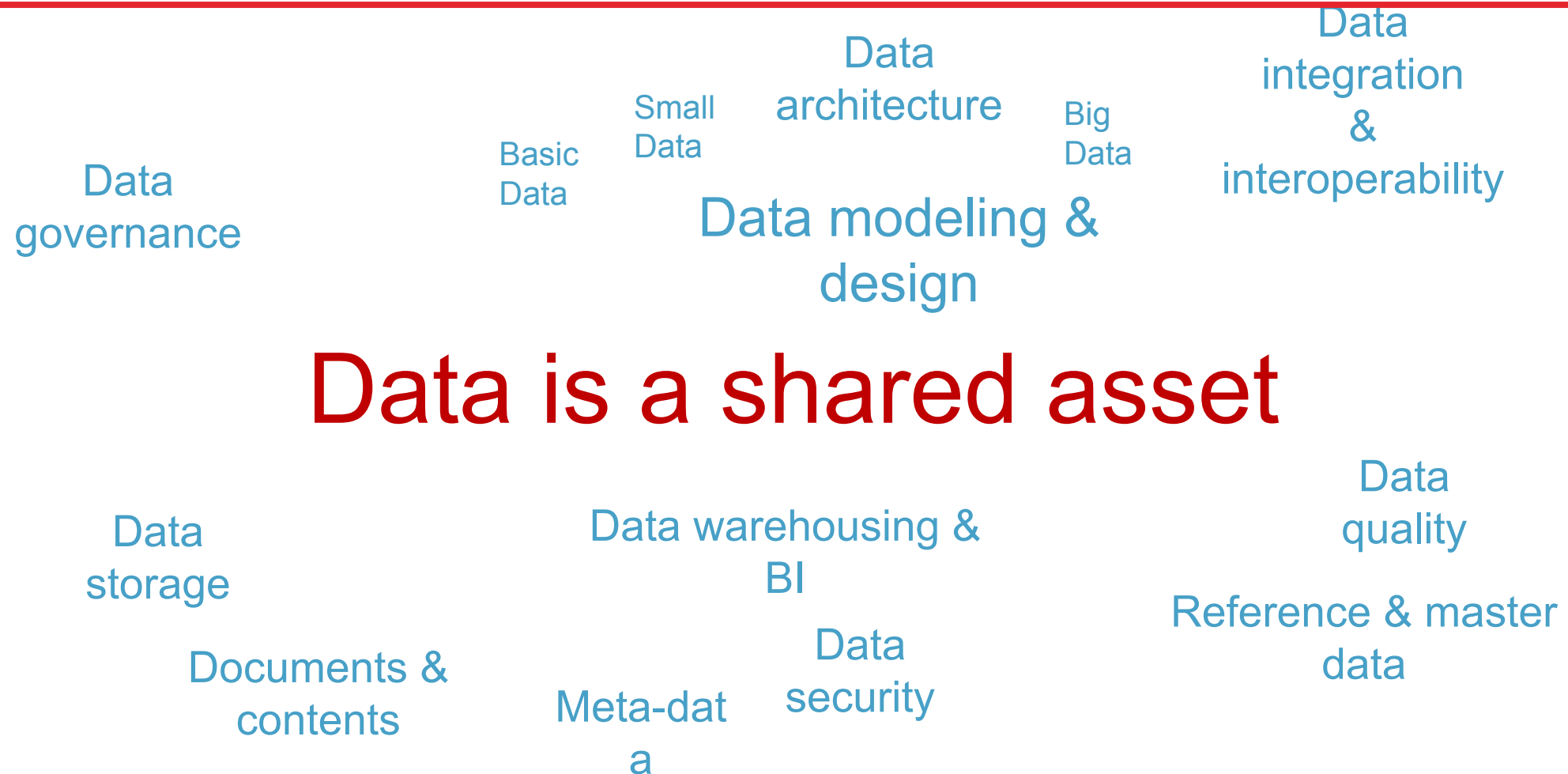
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Why do we integrate



Definitions

■ Integration, Interoperability

- ❑ **Integration:** Inclusion of apparently separate applications to build a homogeneous system.
- ❑ **(Semantic) Interoperability:** Capacity to share information between heterogeneous systems (and to automatically process/use it).
- ❑ “Integrating” sometimes is illusory (100% homogeneity?)
- ❑ “Reaching Interoperability” is usually possible.

More definitions

Organizational

Relating to the entities' capacity and the processes for collaboration in order to achieve mutually agreed outcomes related to the provided services.

Semantic

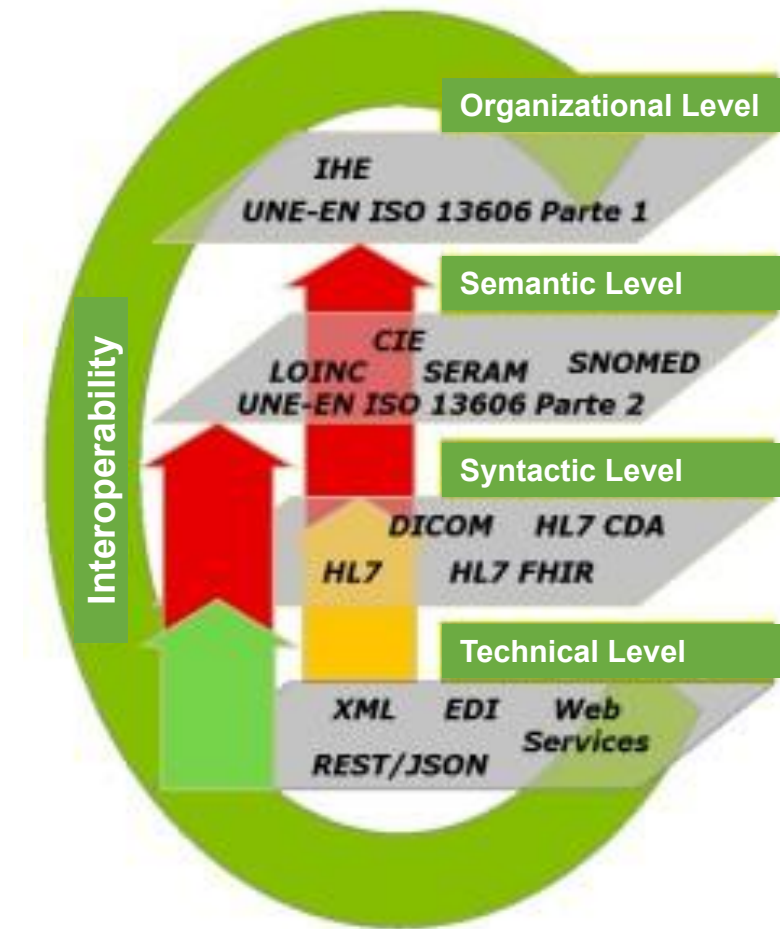
Relating to the ability for the exchanged information to be automatically interpreted and reusable by applications that didn't contribute to their creation.

Technical

Relating to the interaction of the technological systems, including aspects like interfaces, interconnection, integration of data and services, provision of the information, accessibility and security.

Time

Relating to the interaction between elements which correspond to different technological waves. They are manifested particularly in the conservation of the information in electronic form.

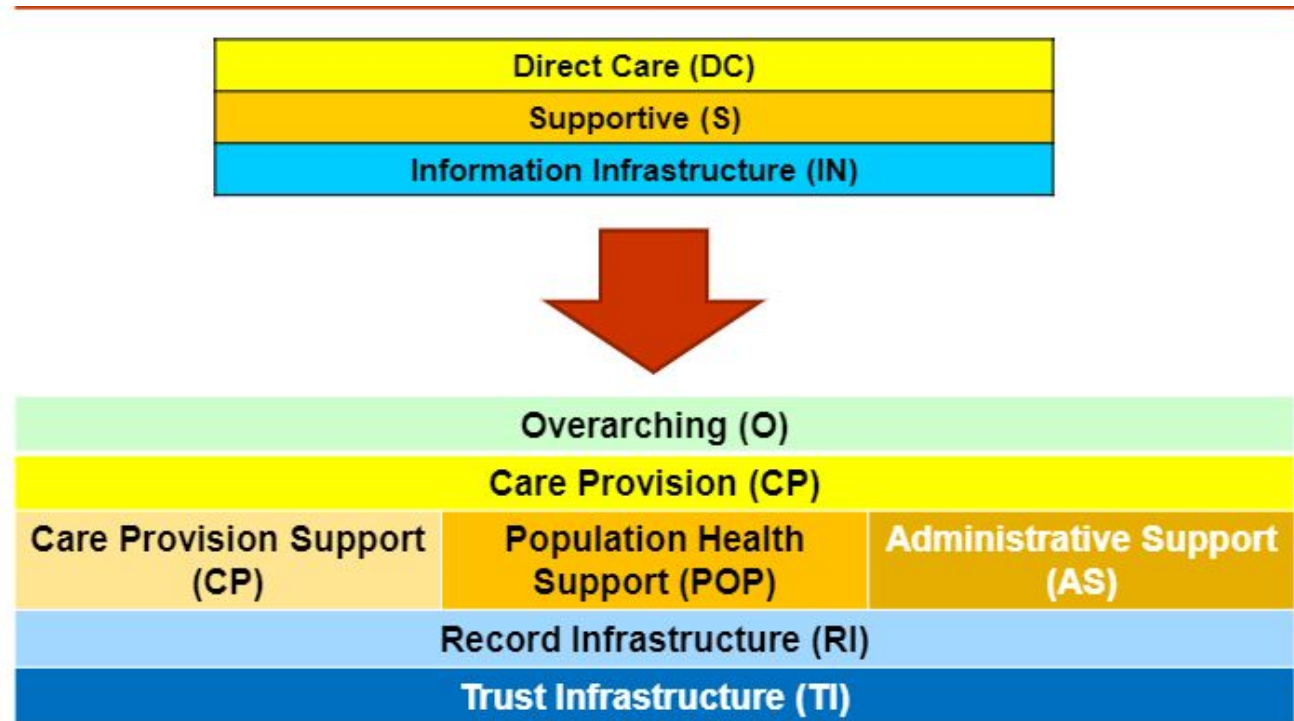


When everything seems the same, but it isn't

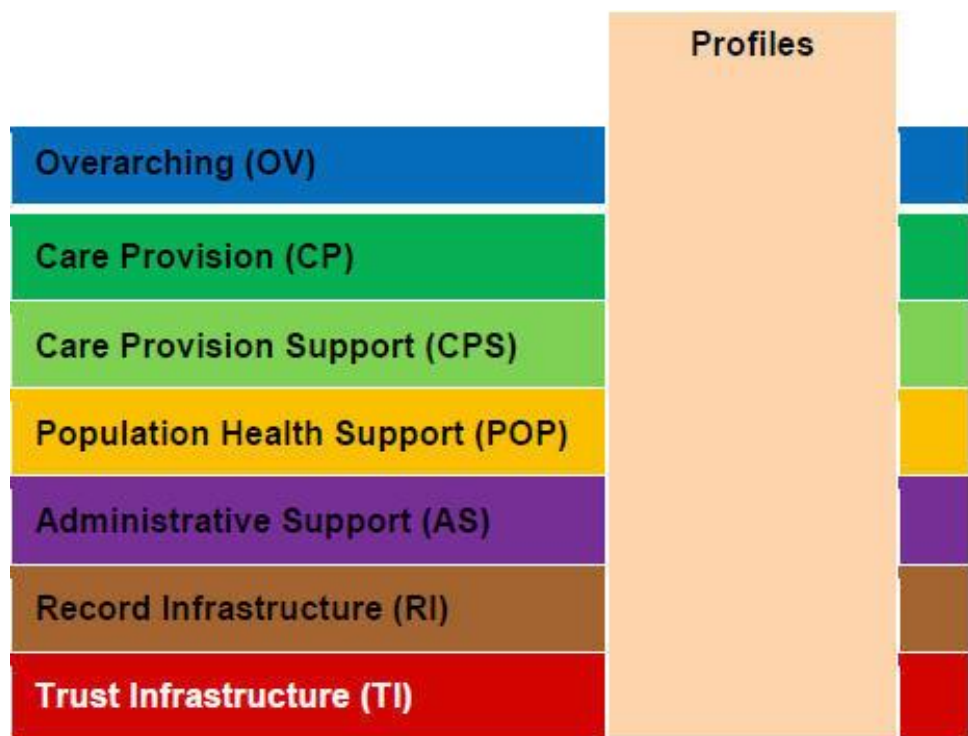


Functional model

Personal Health	PH.1.B	Account Holder Profile
	PH.2.B	Manage Historical Clinical Data And Current State Data
	PH.3.B	Wellness, Preventive Medicine, and Self Care
	PH.4.B	Manage Health Education
	PH.5.B	Account Holder Decision Support
	PH.6.B	Manage Encounters with Providers
Supportive	S.1.0	Provider Management
	S.2.0	Financial Management
	S.3.0	Administrative Management
	S.4.0	Other Resource Management
Information Infrastructure	IN.1.B	Health Record Information Management
	IN.2.B	Standards Based Interoperability
	IN.3.B	Security
	IN.4.B	Available Records

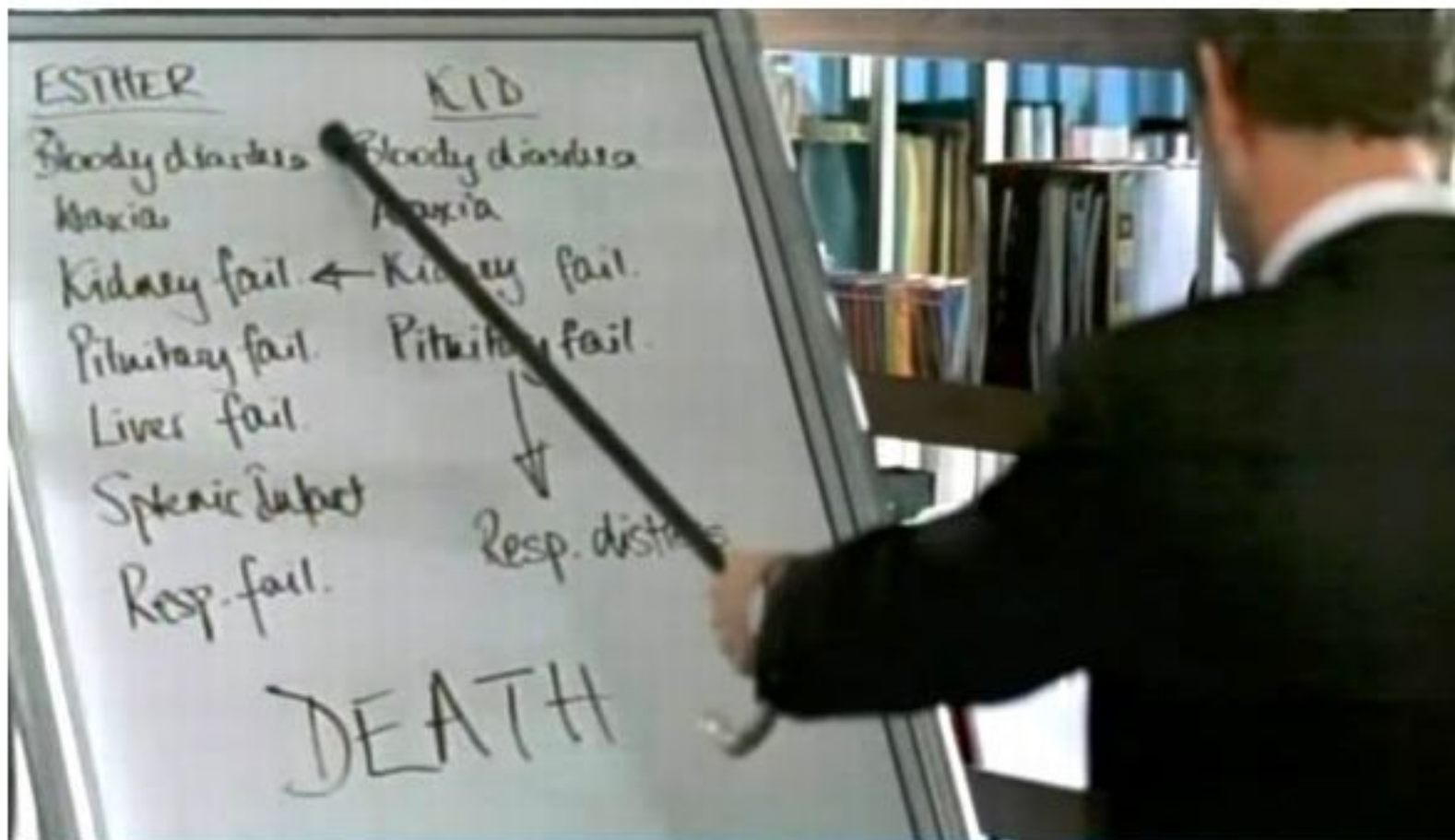


Journey to integration



The problem and challenge of transport focuses on maintaining the essential functions of the protocol, but in a way that every entity is free to prioritize which group of specific functions it will use and in which proportion. Currently this is achieved by giving users a scheme.

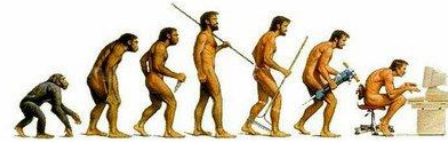
Problems arise



Useful aspects

- Definition of **Semantic Interoperability**

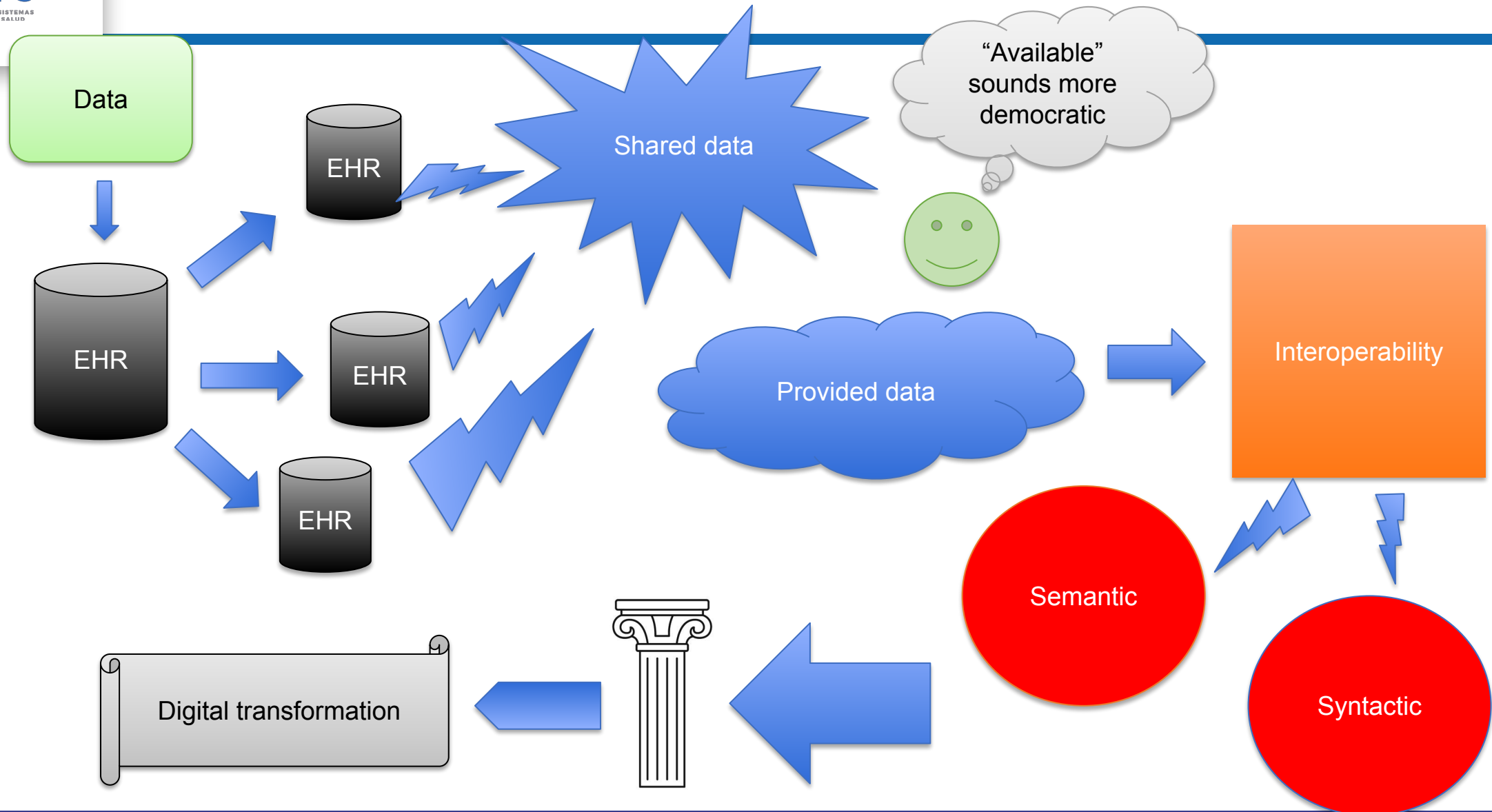
Capacity to share information
between heterogeneous systems and
to automatically process/use it



Evolutionary semantic interoperability

Capacity of two or more
systems to exchange
information in a way that
it can be stored and
processed, and that it
can be understood
without ambiguities

Breathing space: summary

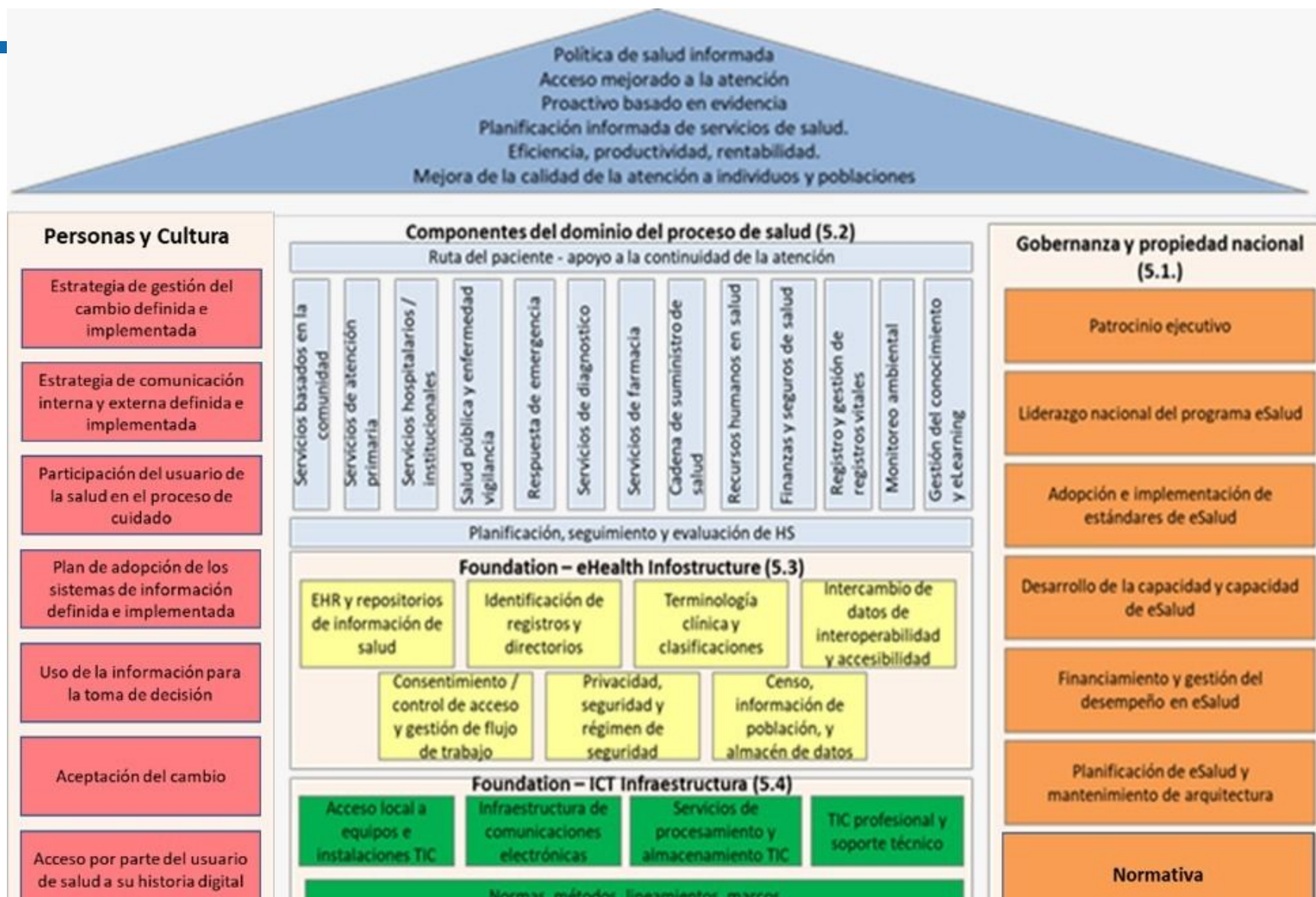


Thinking of interoperation

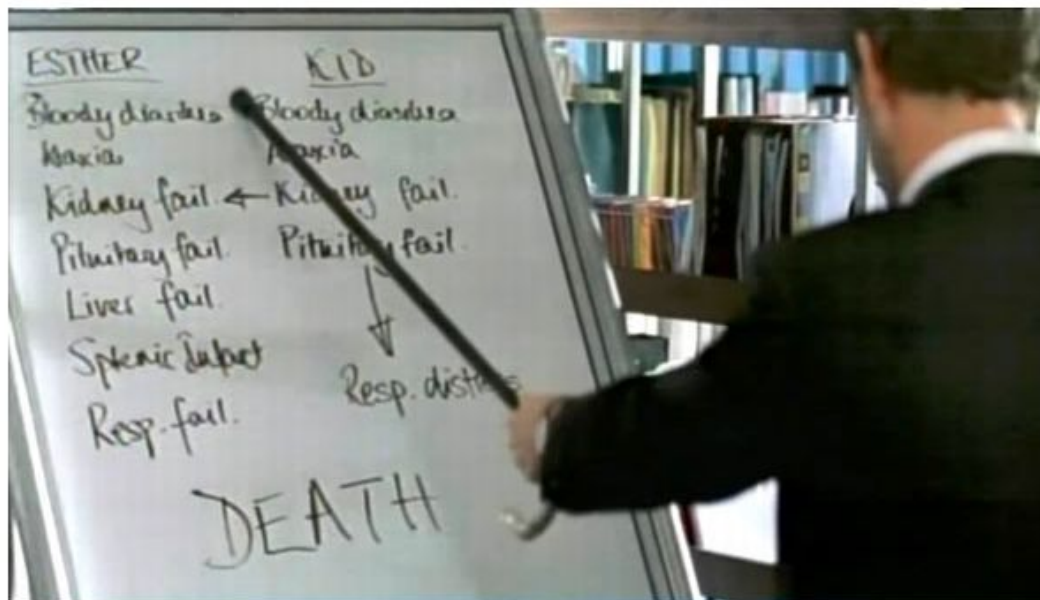
Interoperability isn't based on designing standards, it's about constructing an architectural work which is as solid as possible.



Digital transformation



Back to House

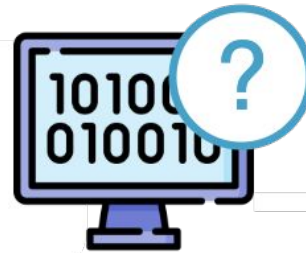


One thing is being able to transport the information, and another is that everyone reading the transported information is able to understand it the same way

The problem of language



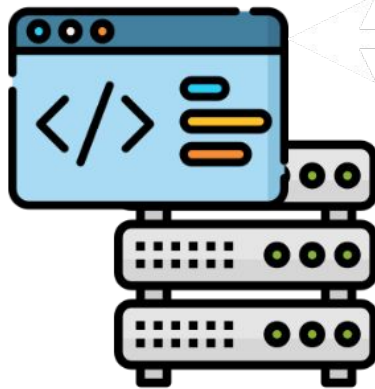
What is obvious for the human being, isn't obvious for a computer



Solution



Computable Semantics



CIE (ICD) LOINC
UCUM CPT-4
HPCS NDC HGNC
SNOMED-CT
CIF DRG ACT
UMLS NANDA CUPS
CIAP-2 NIC/NOC

Natural Language

Vocabularies

Terminologies

Nomenclatures

Classifications

Groupings

Control of vocabulary in
medicine and health

Diagram by IIT - Göttingen

SNOMED and CIE

*SNOMED CT ISN't a software, it is a **clinical terminology**.*

*Allows to introduce clinical information into the systems in a **standardized way and associated to codes**.*

***Precision** in the representation of clinical phenomena.*

*Support of **linguistic diversity**.*

Further reading

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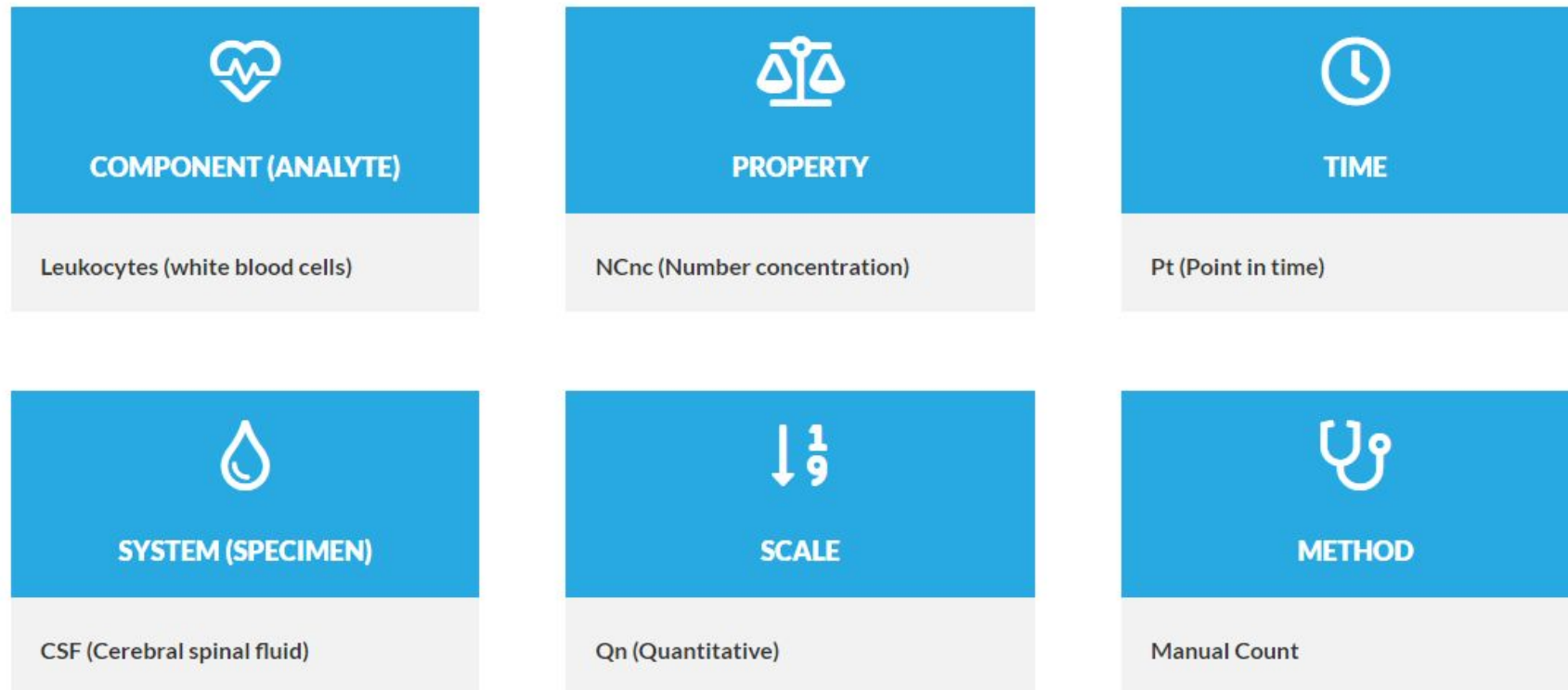


LOINC is a common language (set of identifiers, names and codes) for identifying the sanitary measurements, observations and documents. You can think of an observation as a “question”, and of the value of the observation’s result as an “answer”.

If necessary the codes of other standards (e.g. SNOMED CT) represent the “answer”. Obviously a code isn’t always necessary for the value of the result. In the case of the quantitative result, the “answer” is just the numeric value with its associated measurement units.

How LOINC works

This is a breakdown of LOINC for a manual white blood cell count in a sample of cerebrospinal fluid, represented by the code LOINC 806-0:



More information regarding LOINC

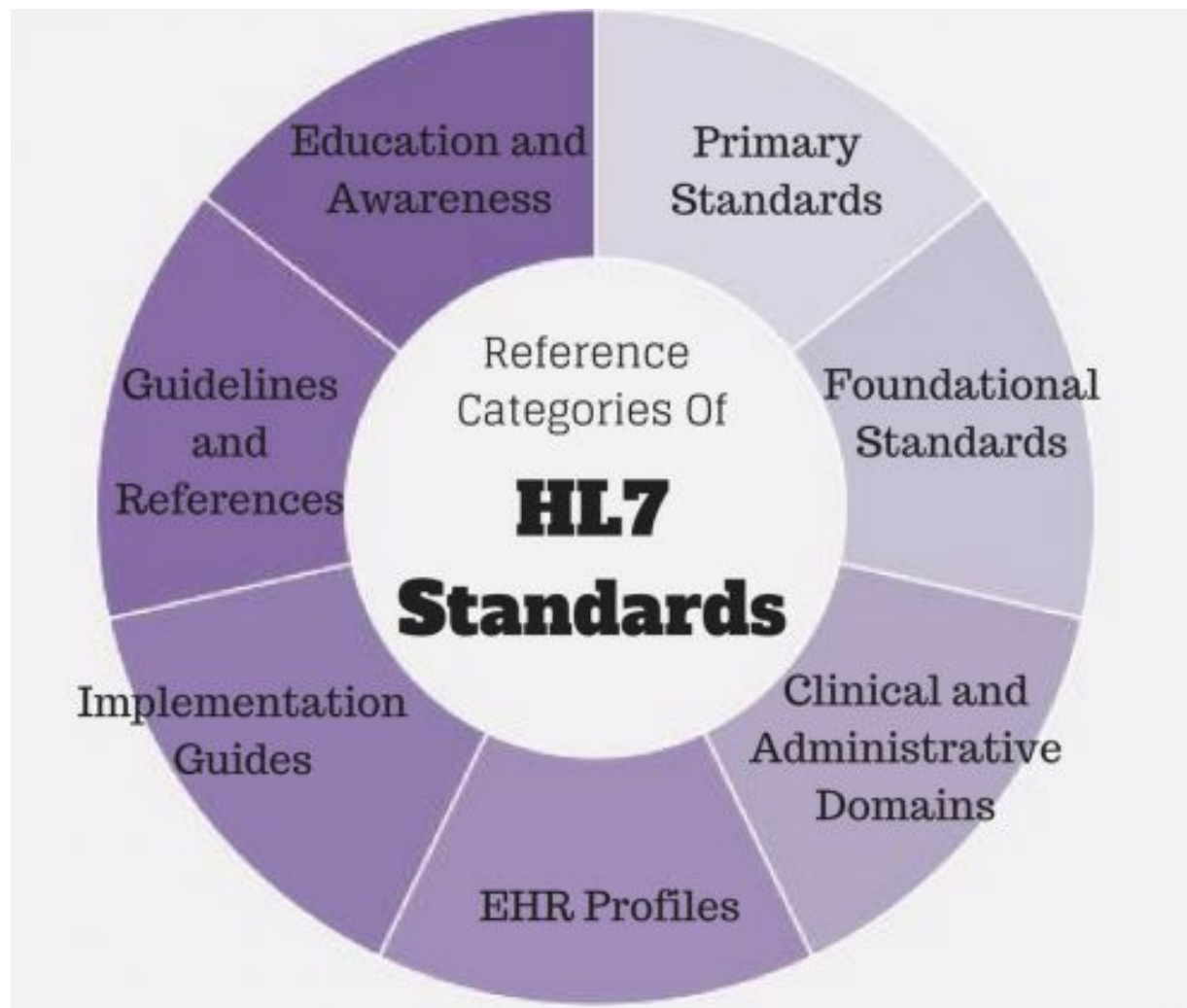
Access to
LOINC

Access to search engine
and downloads

The information in health: **Wherever** it is necessary, **whenever** it is necessary and the necessary **information** in a **usable** way.



How to group HL7



Exchange standards

Primary HL7® standards

The primary HL7 standards are the most widely used standards for the integration of systems and the interoperability in health.

Health Level Seven® International

HL7® Versión 2

The messaging standard HL7 V2.X is the most widely used standard for exchanging clinical information in the world.

This standard is supported by the vast majority of the existing systems in health care.

HL7® Versión 3

The standard HL7 V3 covers the terminologies, the types of data and the messaging which are necessary for a complete implementation.

It is based on the reference model HL7 RIM, a common reference for the development of the standard.

CDA® Release 2

A document marking standard that specifies the structure and semantics of clinical documents for its exchange between providers and patients.

A CDA can contain clinical documents of any type with unstructured content or structured and completely encoded content.

HL7 FHIR®

FHIR is a standard that combines the characteristics of HL7 V2, HL7 V3 and CDA to achieve a fast and simple integration.

Composed of *resources*, modular components combined in systems for solving real problems in health care.

CCOW

CCOW is a standard for facilitating the integration of applications at the usage level using a technique called *Context Management*.

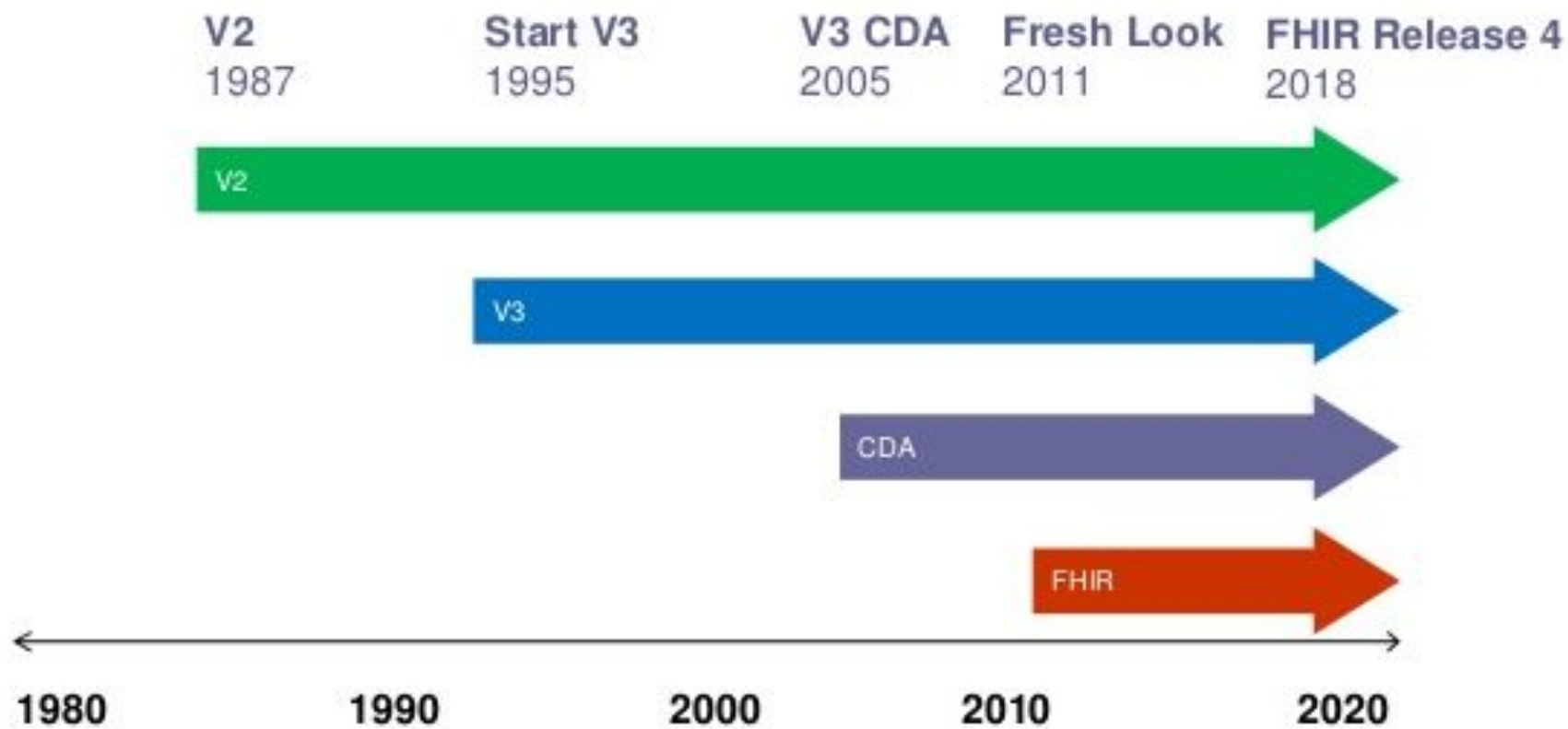
Allows to synchronize the information of different systems concerning the same patient, procedure or user at the user interface level.

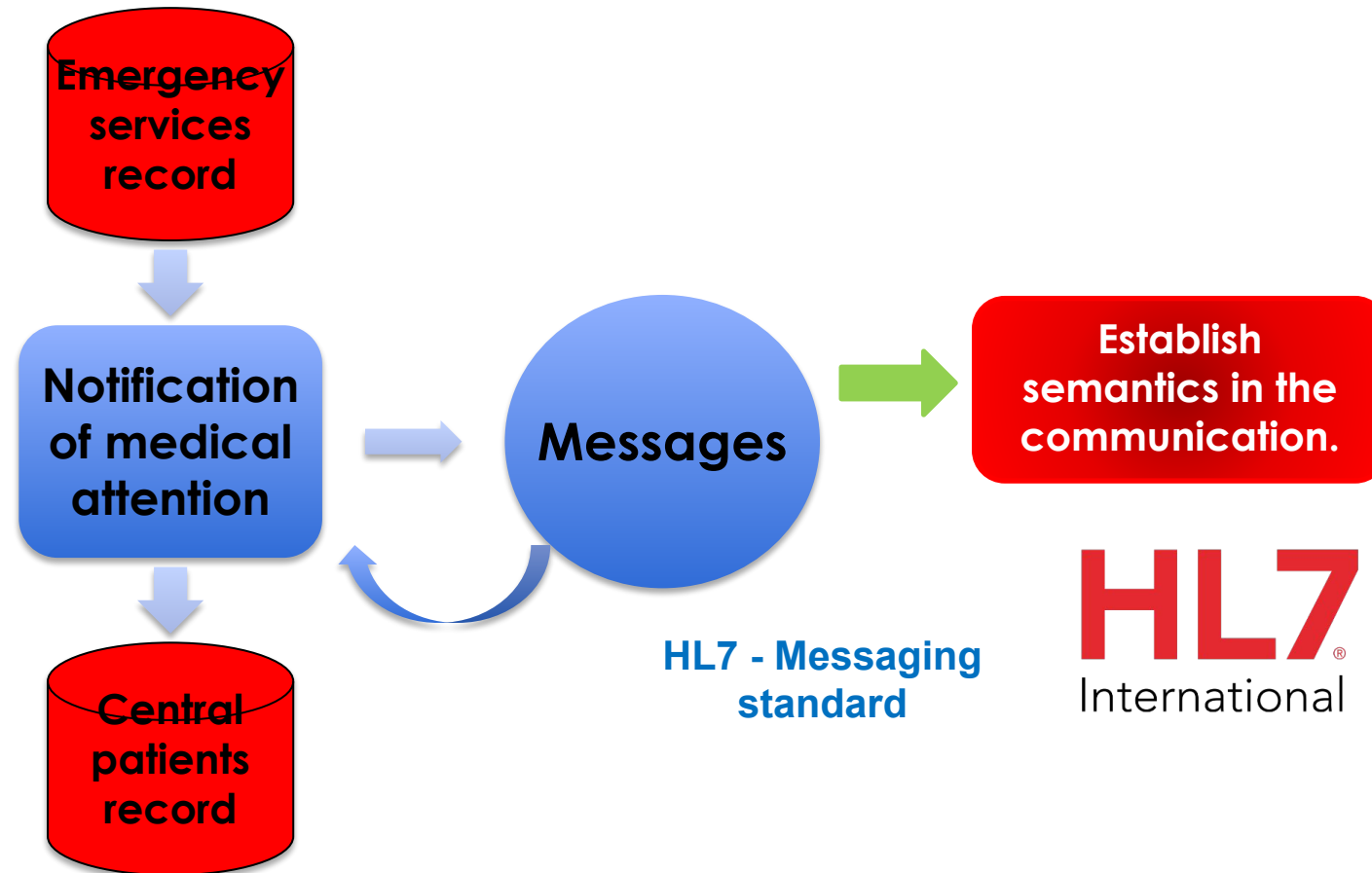
For more information about the HL7 standards visit <http://www.hl7.org/implement/standards/>

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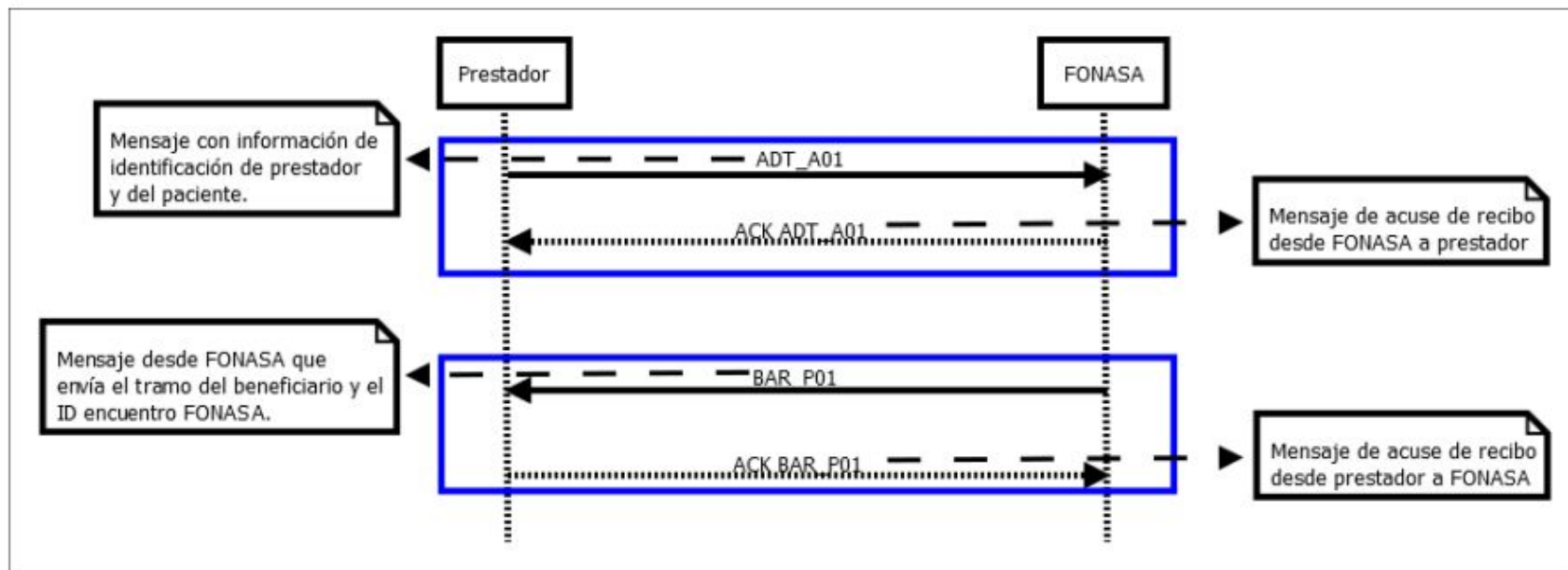


A long story





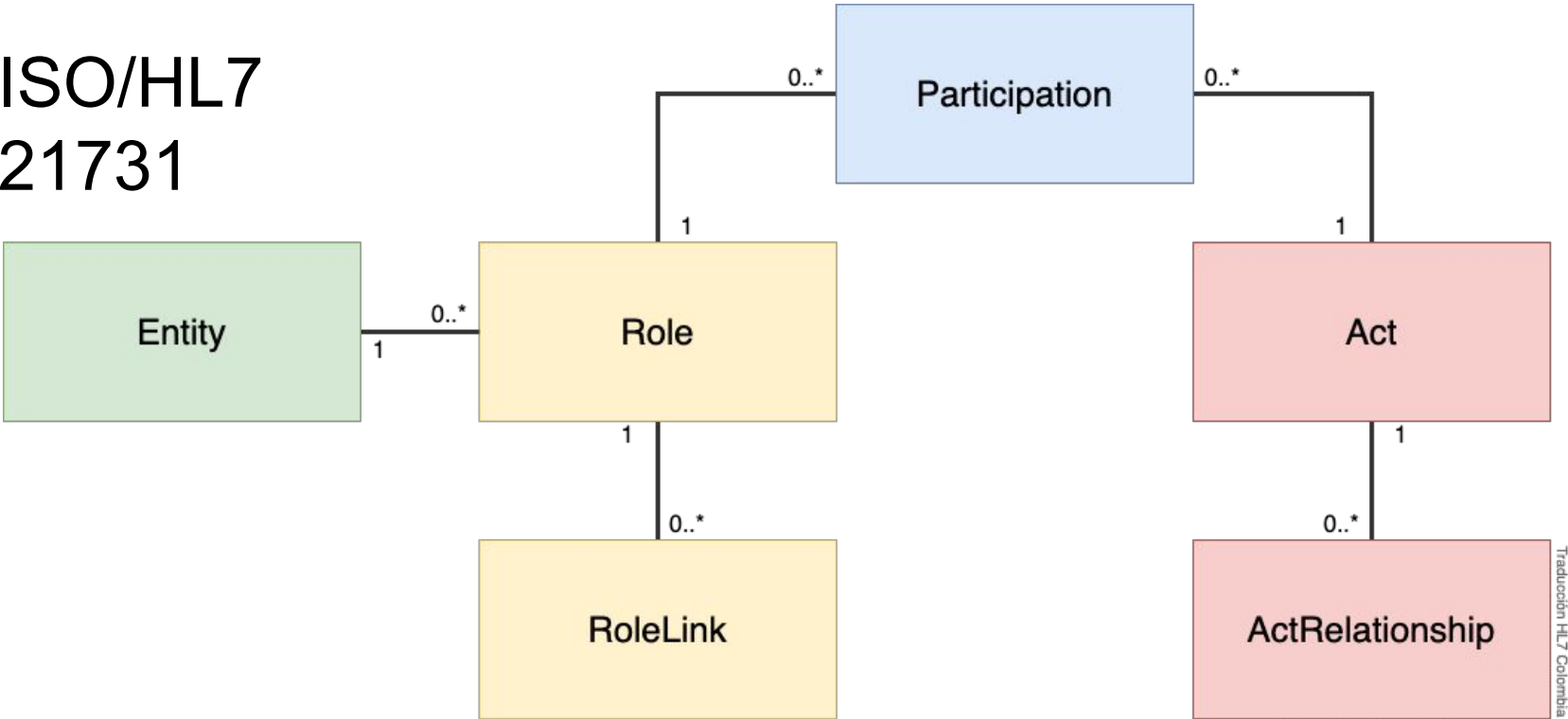
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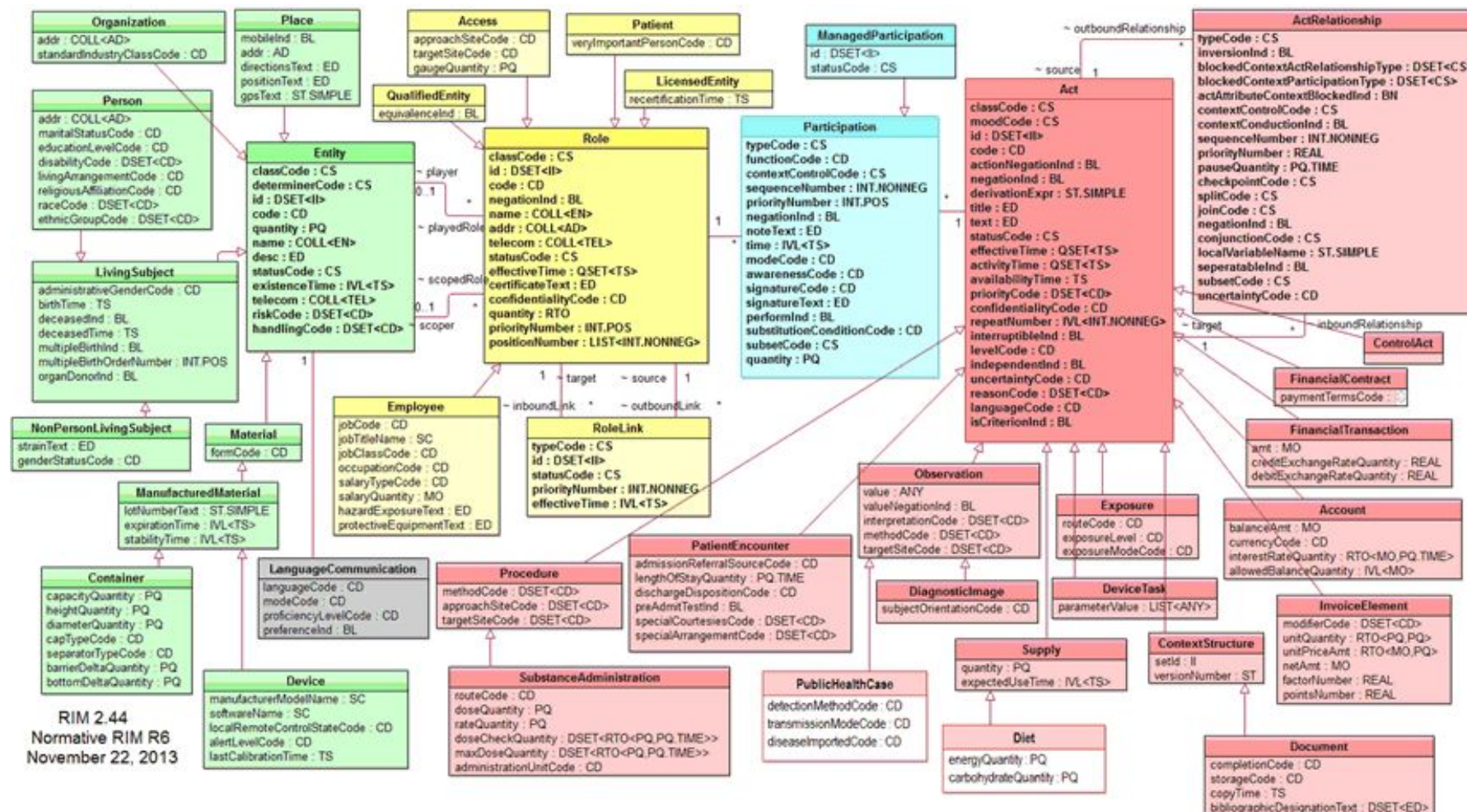
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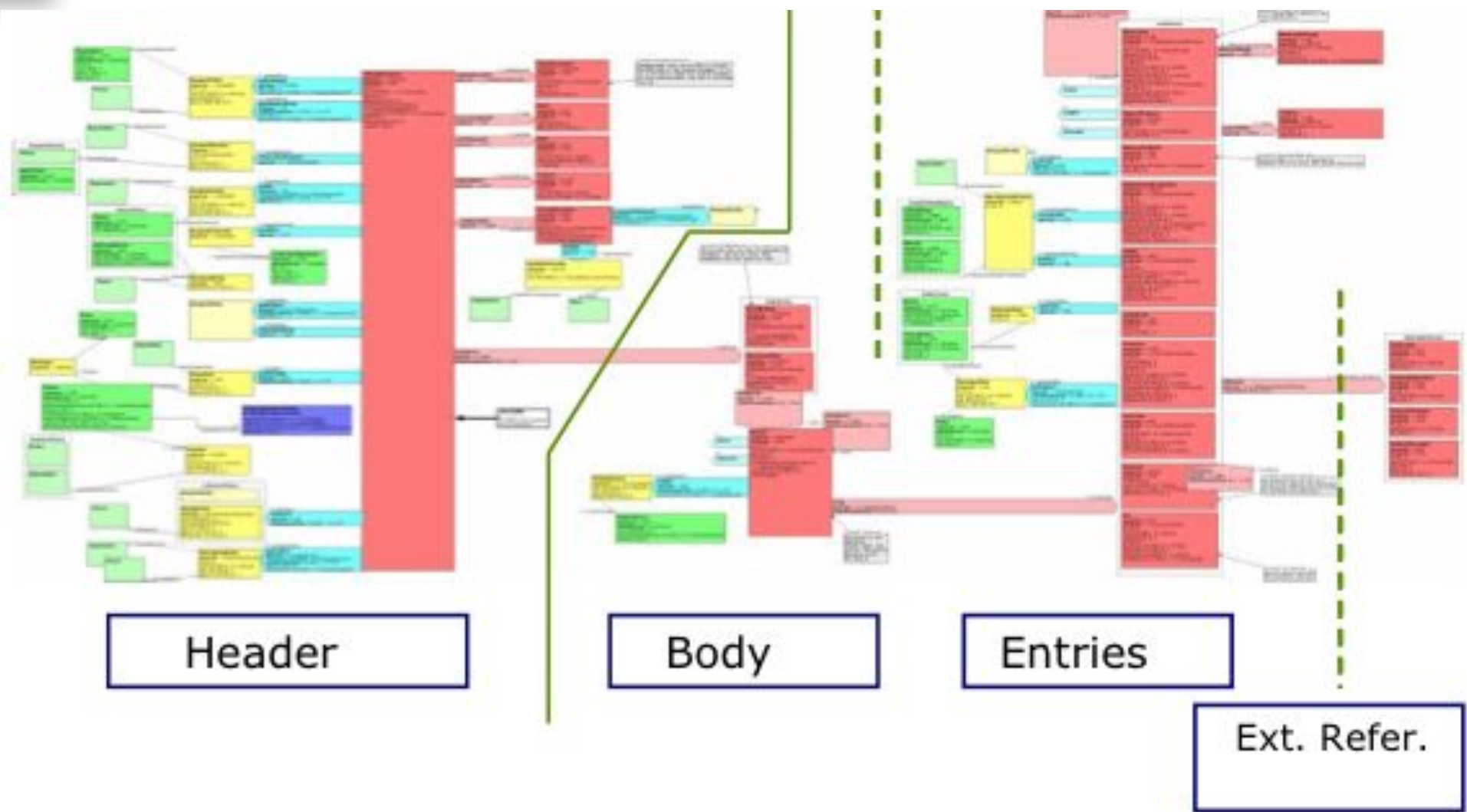
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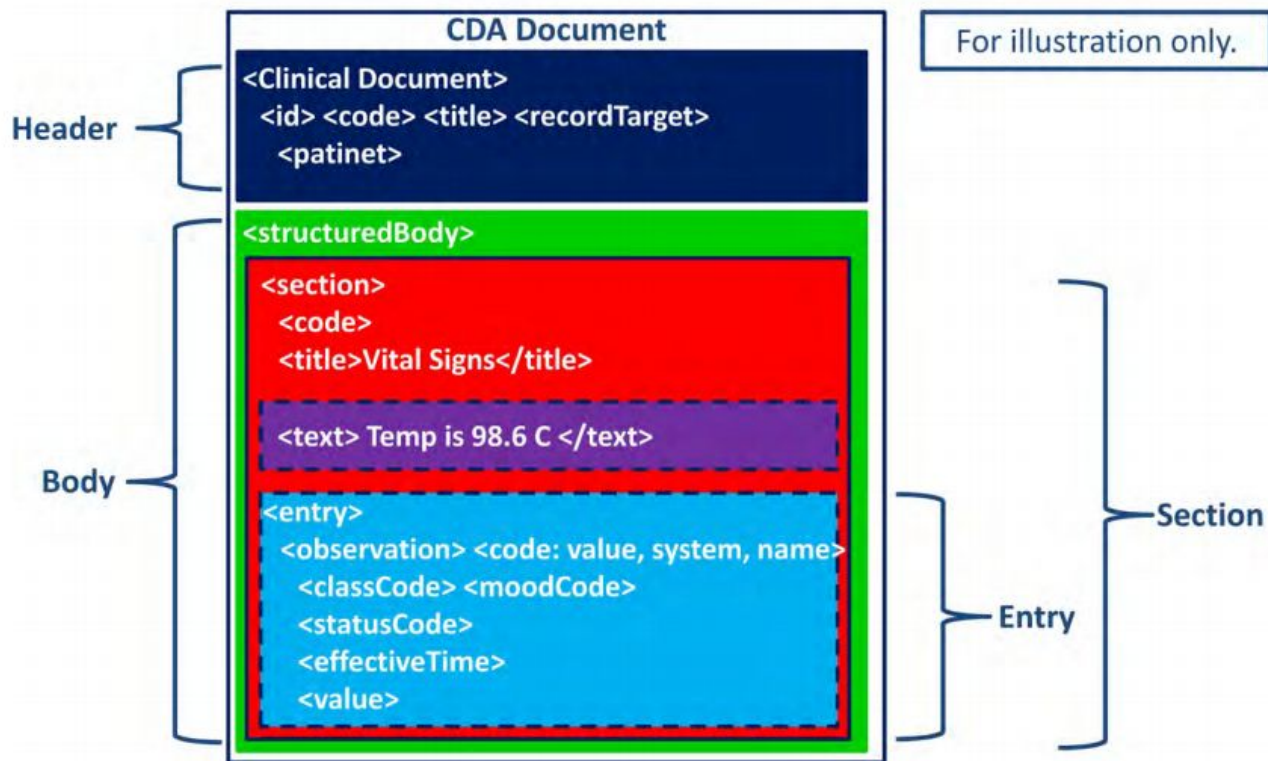
V3 and its complex data model



Documents: CDA-R2



CDA-R2: Simpler



Fast HealthCare Interoperability Resources

FHIR: A standard for data exchange in health, published by HL7. It is a specification which defines a set of capabilities that are used in the entire sanitary process, in all jurisdictions and many different contexts.

Purpose:

- The exchange of data in the network, specifying information of different nature like meta data, representation method and readability for human beings.

Towards:

- Positioning it as THE standard of international use
- Being a transversal framework for the systems that want to communicate

Advantages (among others):

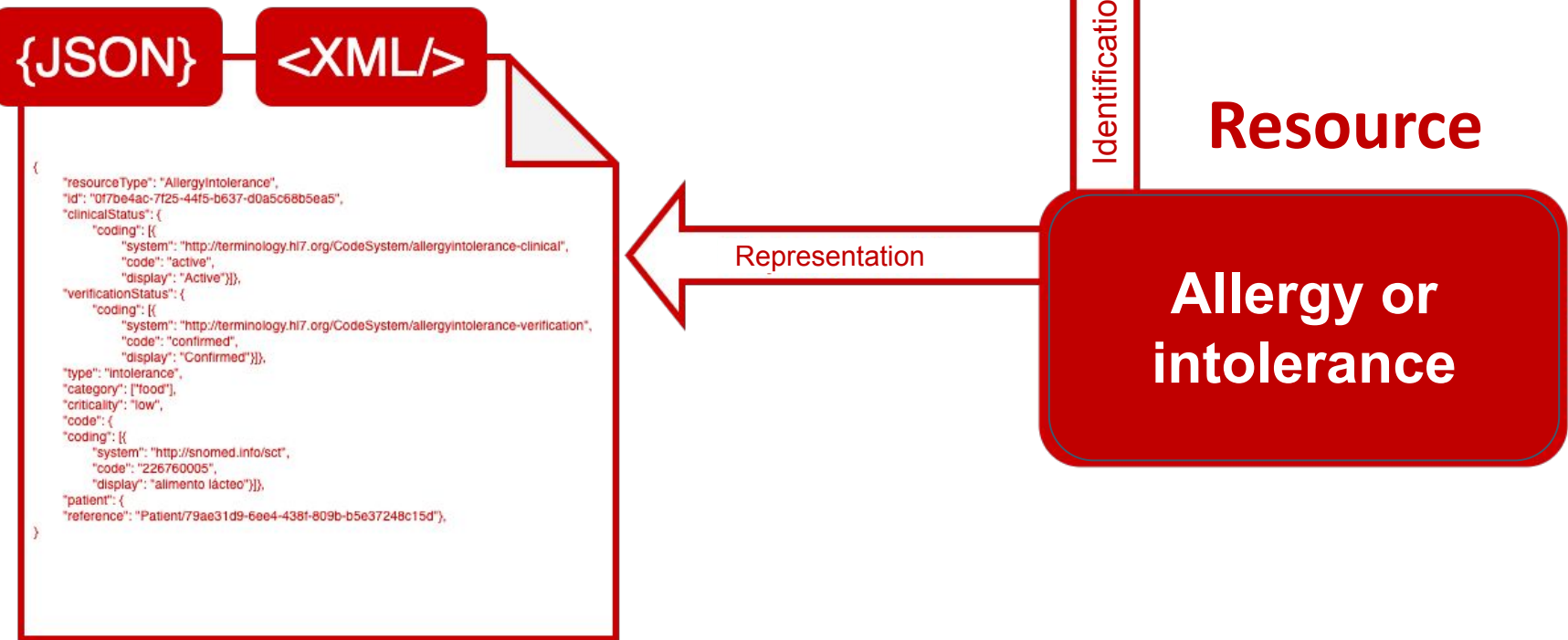
- Easy implementation
- Better capacity for communicating information
- Reduced time of consumption of documents
- Possibility of mapping with previous standard formats



HL7 FHIR

URI

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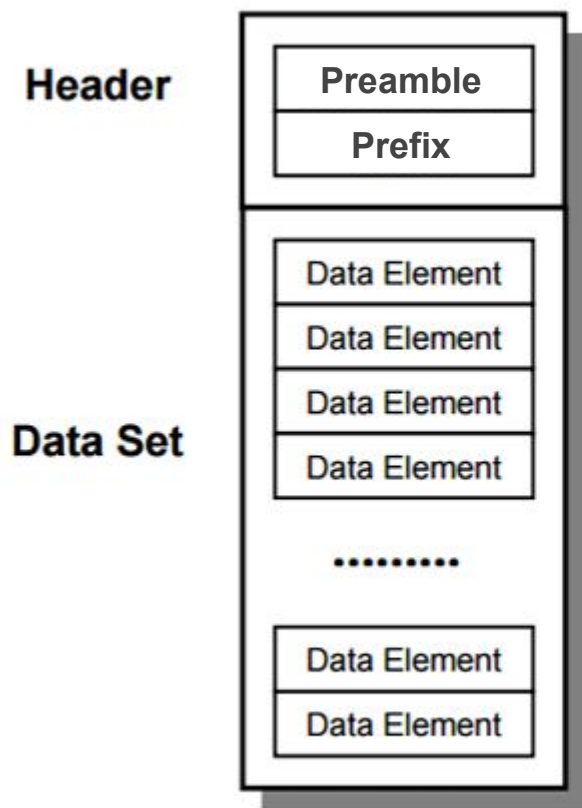


Fig. 2 Structure of a DICOM file

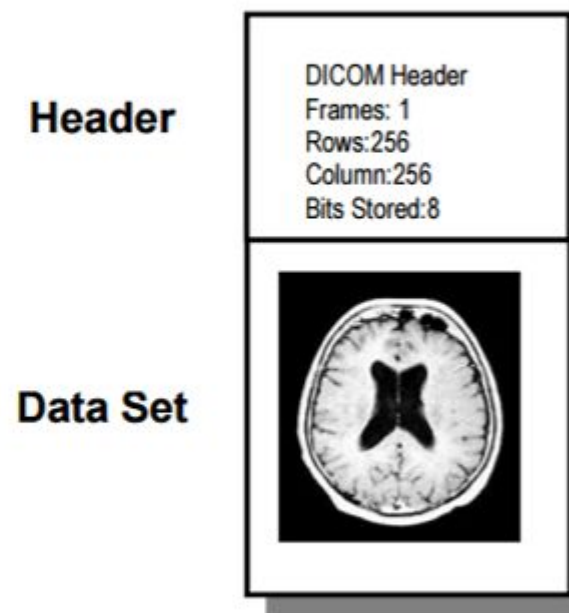
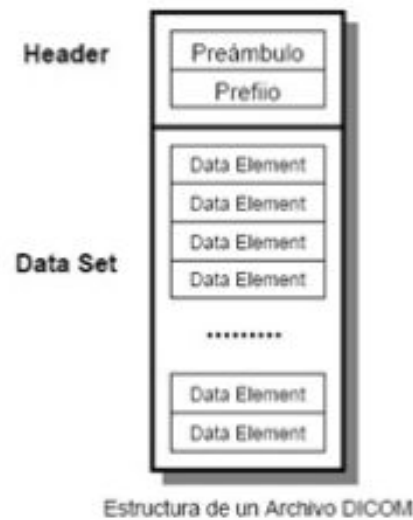


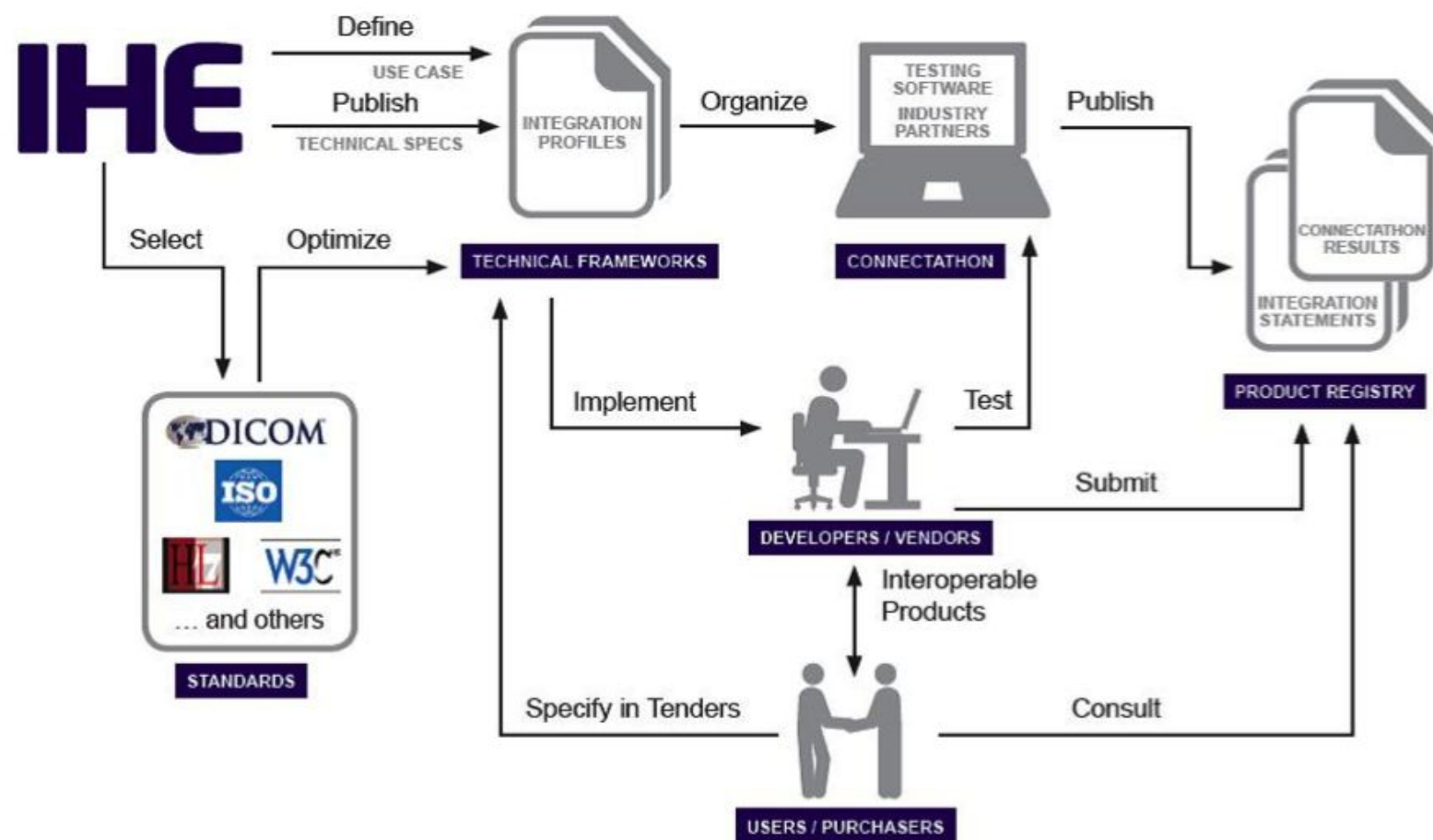
Fig. 3 Example of a DICOM file

DICOM

- Image Format



IHE: High-level



The value of what it costs us

Ambulatory case (Australia)

In this case the diagnostic costs for imagery were reduced, generating Au\$6.6M of value for the health care system. The patients gained 140K hours, equal to Au\$2.9M in terms of economic output per year.

**\$6.6
M**

**140 K
Hours**

The value of what it costs us

Low administration cost (Canada)

The reduction of emergency units patients admission generated CD\$334.95M of value for the health care system, generating a total of 8.5M hours for the patients and 33K hours for the providers, contributing to an improvement of the economic output by CD\$68.7M.

In the reduction of readmissions the values were of the same scale.

**\$335
M**

**8.5 M
Hours**

Extensions and profiles

Let's look at
success cases!





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