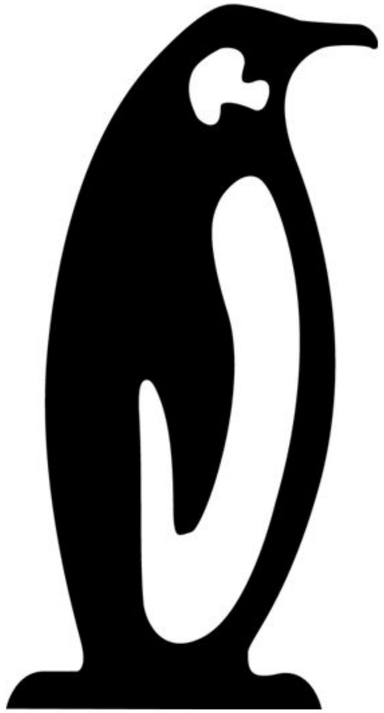

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Been working in production maintenance, automotive, ECU software development

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Started to focus on Functional Safety about 13 years ago

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Tech consulting as part of AlektoMetis

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- Zephyr (Functional Safety Manager)
- ELISA (Medical & Systems Group)
- FuSa for SPDX SIG
- OpenChain (3rd party certification with TÜV SÜD)

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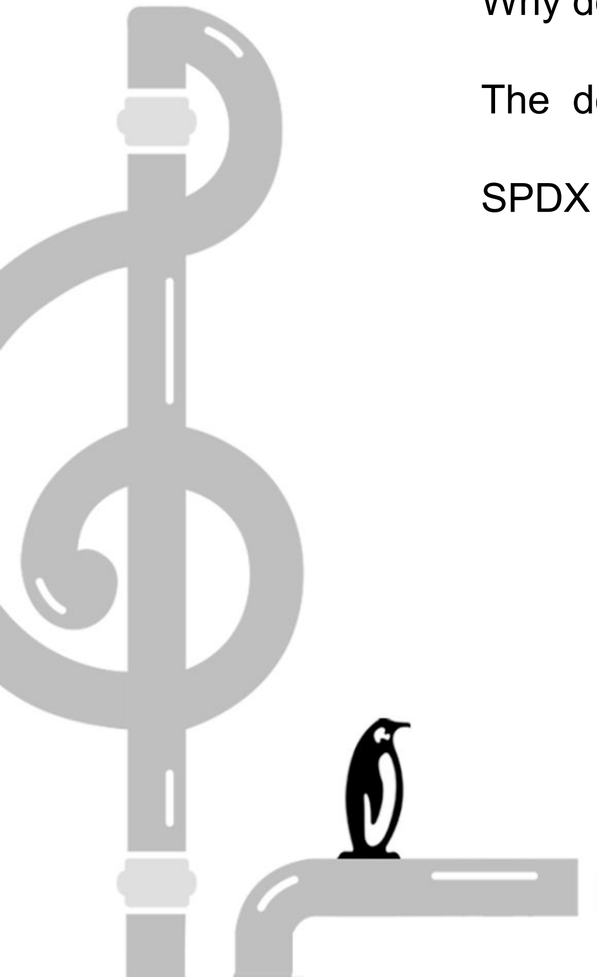
About today

What’s the issue?

Why do we need traceability?

The documentation of intentions and evidences.

SPDX Safety Model



Some history…

Why traceability?

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Safety based on

- Mechanics
- Safe construction
- Built with durable and suitable nuts, screws, bolts, …

Identification of mechanical parts

Standardized parts

Defined material properties

- Tensile Strength
- Composition

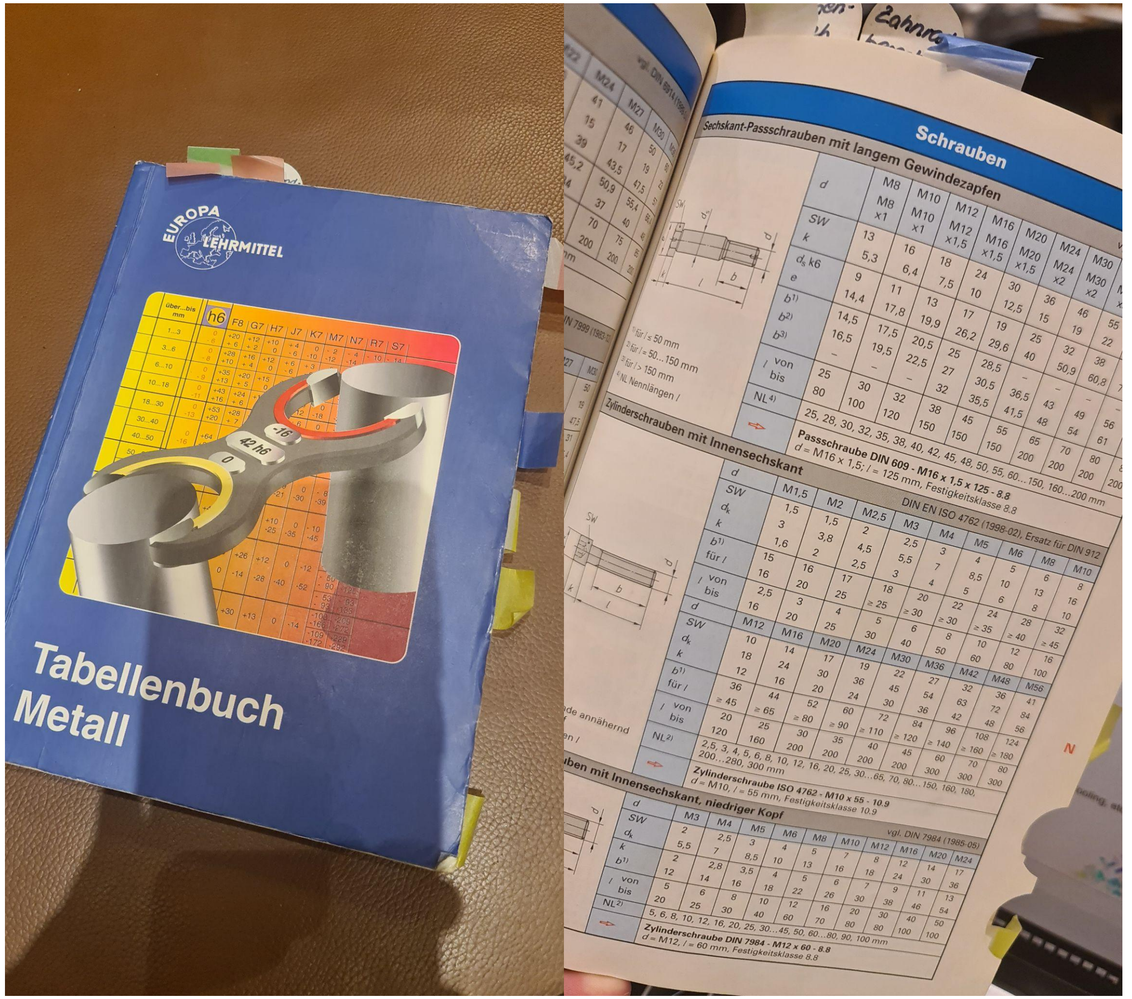
Dimensions

Tools

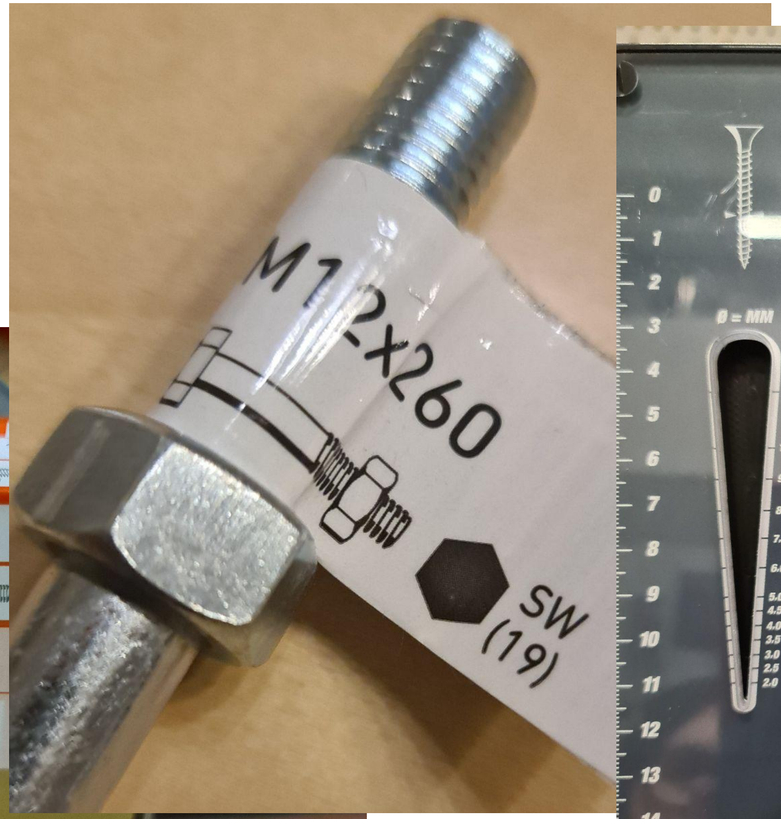
Handling (max torque, right tooling, etc.)

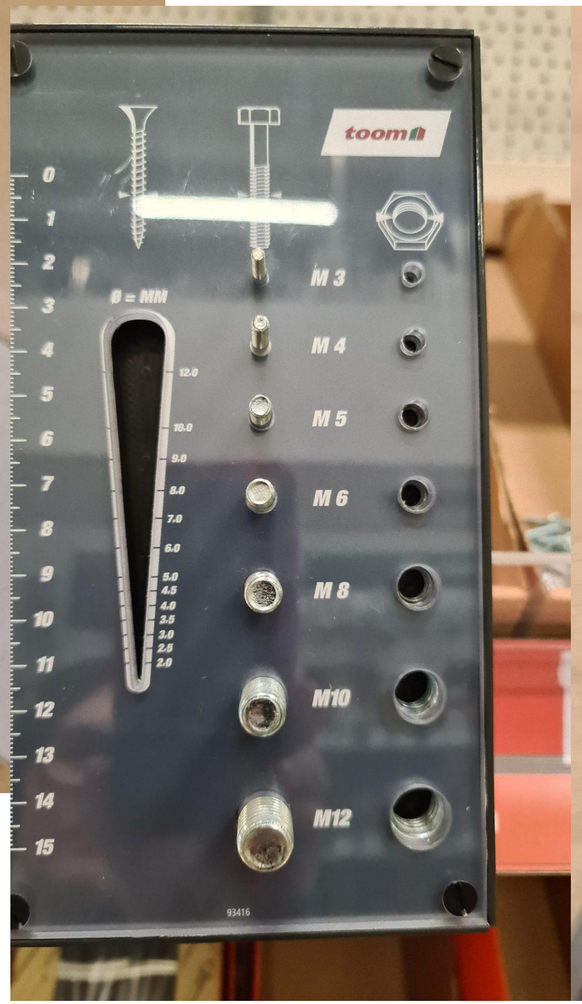
Serial numbers

Lot identification



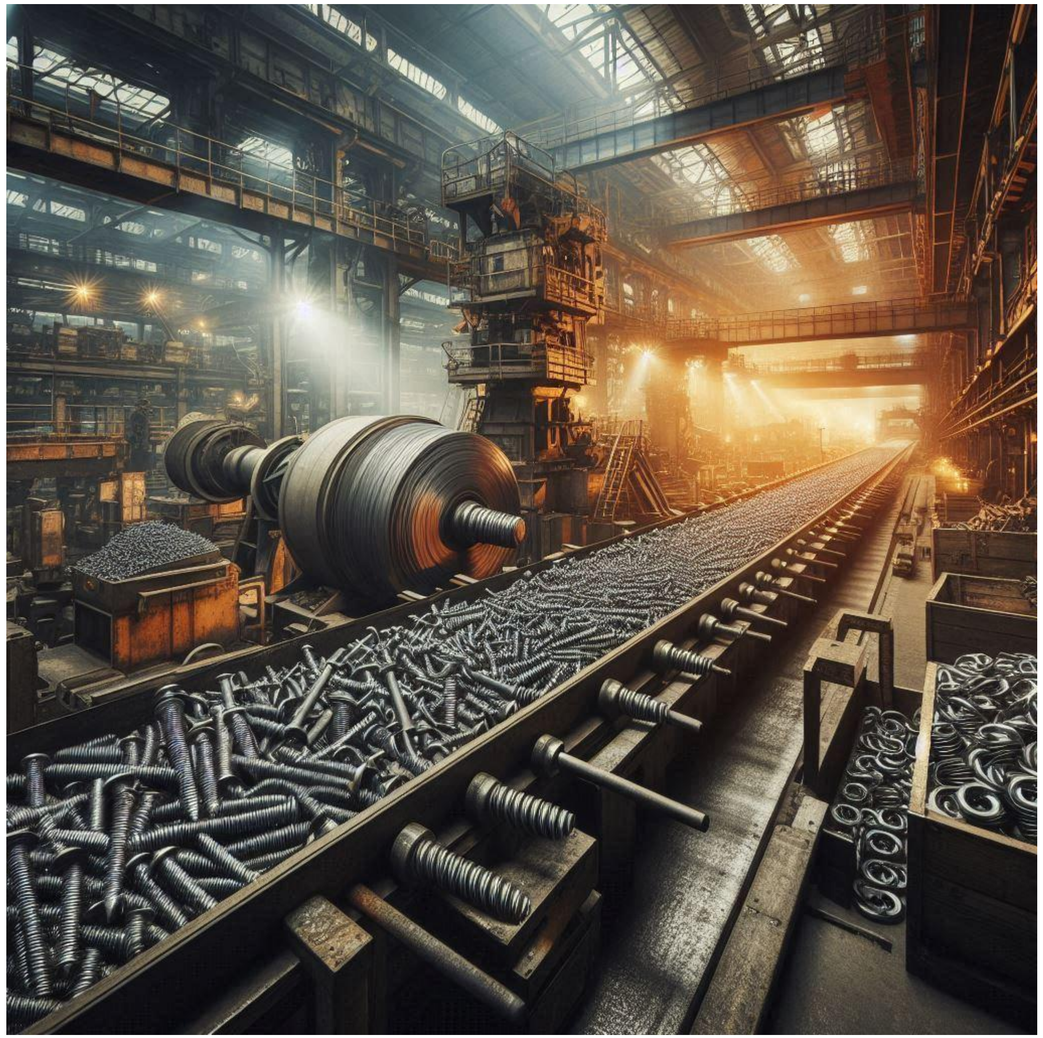
Easy identification & verification!





Why do we want all this information?

- Manufacturing information
- Material vulnerabilities affect the whole lot
- Easy identification of properties, like size, dimensions, tensile strength, surface tempering…
- Identification of suitable tooling and tool usage limitations (torque, handling, assembling and disassembling cycles…)
- Identification of suitable accessories (self locking nuts, washers, …)



Disaster and Incident Response

Eschede train disaster 1998:

- analysis of the incident including
  - material information
  - construction & manufacturing information
  - maintenance information

- fatigue crack in one single wheel

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

Follow up actions:

- legal actions
- redesign of the wheels
- improved maintenance procedures
- improved escape ways (easy cracking windows)

Which one to trust with your life?

A standardized, traceable screw with defined material and properties?

Some screws you found on the internet?

Back to today

More than pure mechanics

Mechanical Safety
Electrical Safety
Environmental Safety
Functional Safety
Cyber Security

Mechanics

Electrical & Electronic devices

Software

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More than pure mechanics

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Electrical & Electronic devices

Thousands of software components, billions of lines of software

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Functional Safety and its added value

Definition of Functional Safety

- **Safety** – the freedom from unacceptable risk of physical injury or of damage to the health of people, either directly, or indirectly as a result of damage to property or to the environment

- **Functional Safety**
  - the part of safety that depends on a system or equipment operating correctly in response to its inputs
  - Detecting potentially dangerous conditions, resulting either in the activation of a protective or corrective device or mechanisms to prevent hazardous events or in providing mitigation measures to reduce the consequences of the hazardous event.

- **Know your risks, now what you need, know what you have implemented, document your decisions and evidences**

Functional Safety - Systematic Capability of Software

Safety is a system property!

But:

Systematic capability is the general assumption, that

- if development, test and deployment of a system follow a specific set of tasks and
- there is evidence for adherence to these tasks
- (and under the assumption that the system architecture supports safety)

⇒ Software is capable of performing as intended

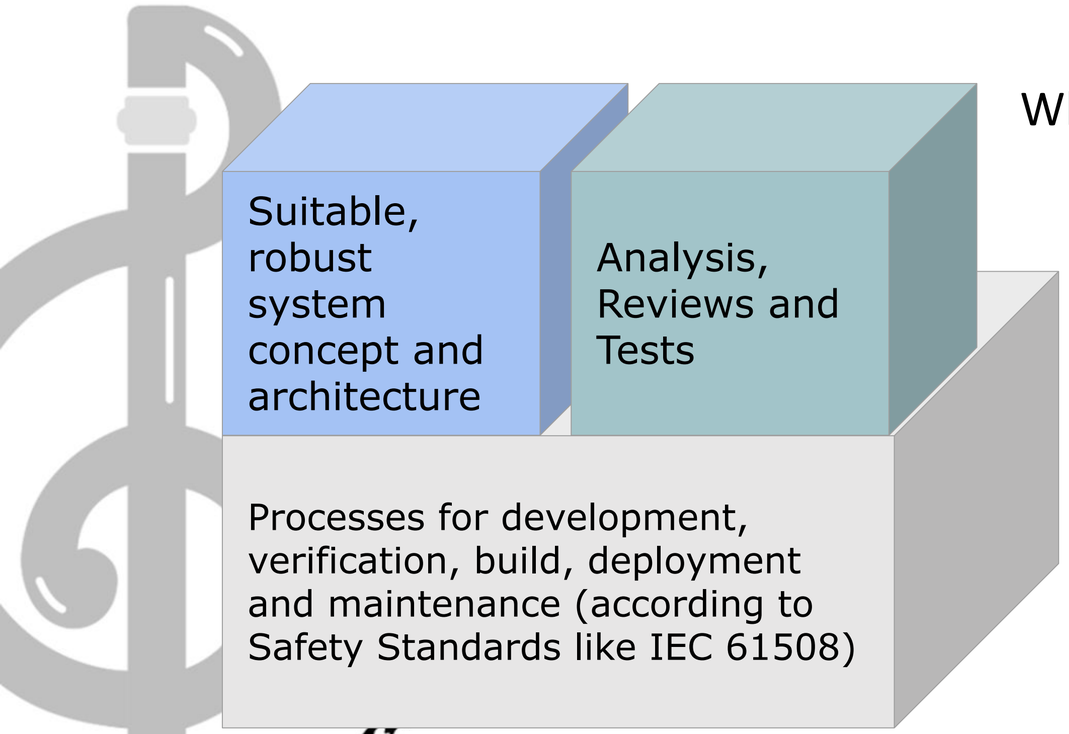
Functional Safety Standards

What are these tasks and evidences?

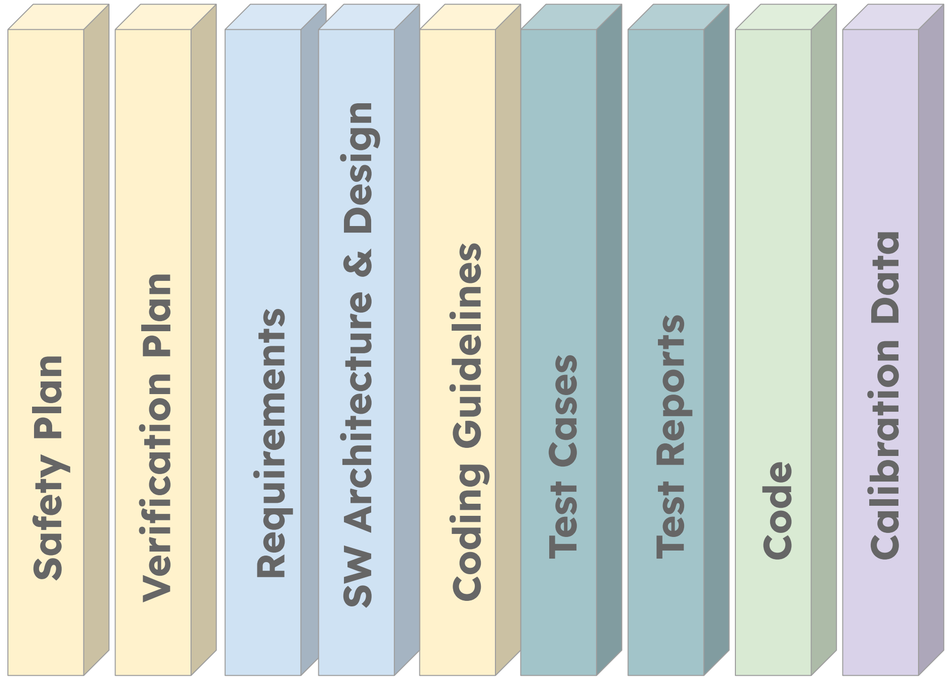
- Usually defined in Safety Standards
- Focus: Unique IDs, traceability, completeness, evidences

⇒ define your dependencies (also inside of your project!) **and keep them up to date**!

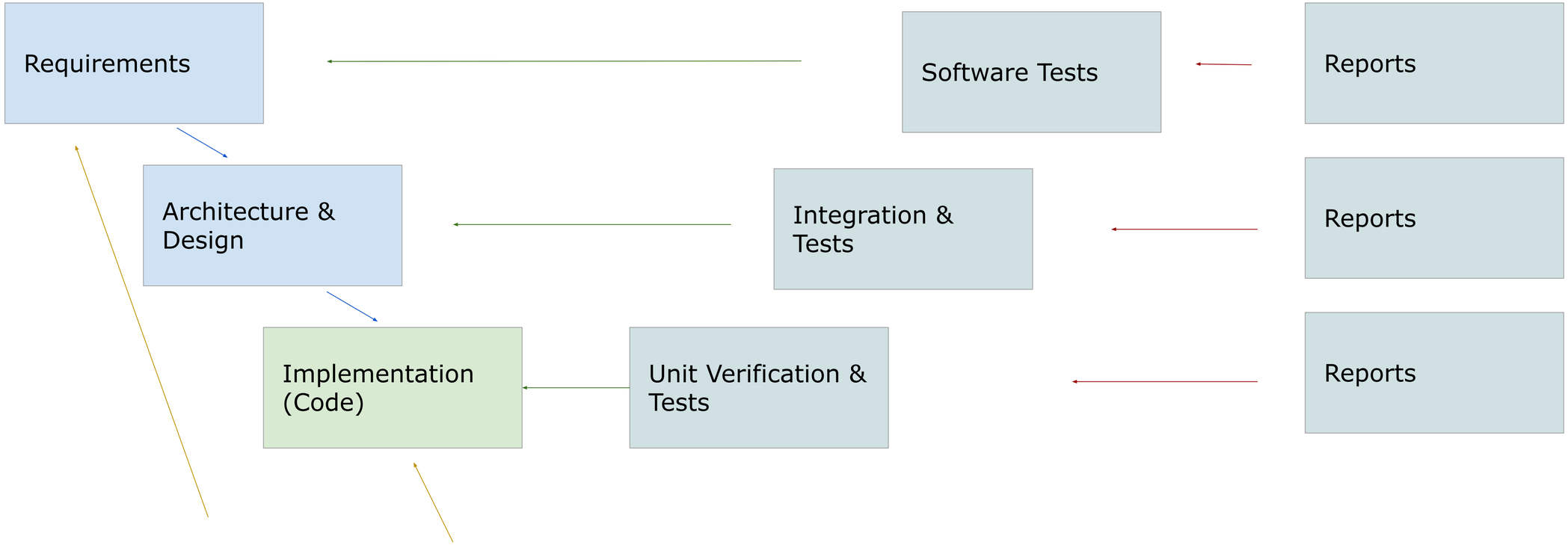
Safety Architecture and Documentation



What is FuSa aiming for?



Dependencies in a FuSa Project

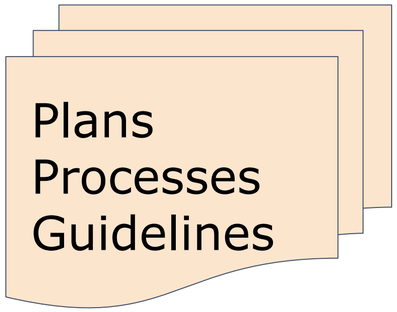


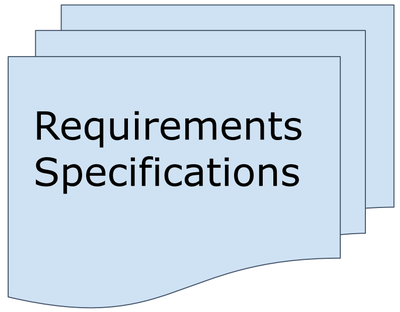
Functional Safety Management Plan	Requirements Management Plan	Configuration Management Plan	Documentation Management Plan	Component Qualification / Supply Chain	Validation & Assessment	Tooling Eval & Qualification (Dev, Verification, Build, Deploy…)

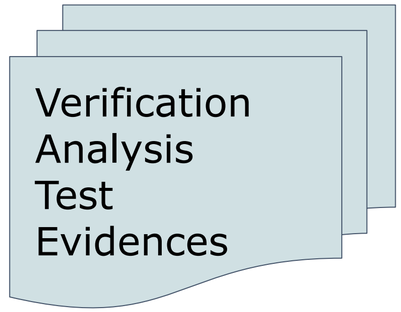
FuSa documentation structure

All FuSa related documentation is part of the Safety Case!

Think of all these documents as part of the release - each document is part of the Bill of Material, as is each screw, each microcontroller and each piece of software!

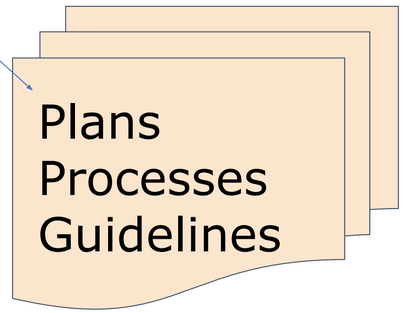






Data Structure of current FuSa projects…

.pdf, .docx, QMS System, Wikis



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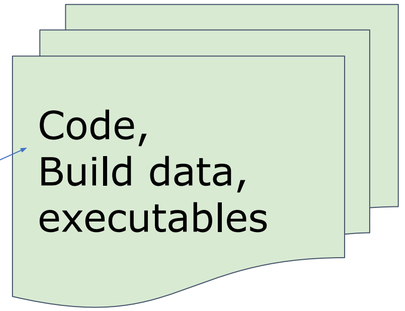
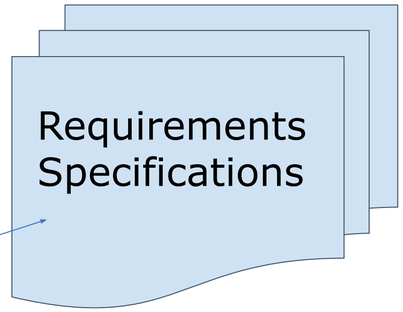
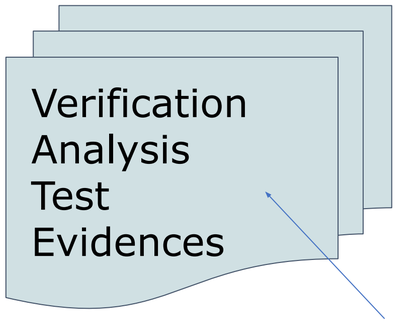


Zoo of lifecycle management systems, .pdf, .docx





Zoo of lifecycle management systems and test tools, .pdf, .docx, .xls, html, code …

Data Structure of current FuSa projects…

.pdf, .docx, QMS System, Wikis

Plans
Processes
Guidelines

One or more repos, git or svn based

Code,
Build data,
executables

Traceability breaks between tools, between configurations, etc, impossible to keep up during updates and product variants

Zoo of lifecycle management systems, .pdf, .docx

Requirements
Specifications

Verification
Analysis
Test
Evidences

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No 1 Safety Information Exchange Format

Any guesses????

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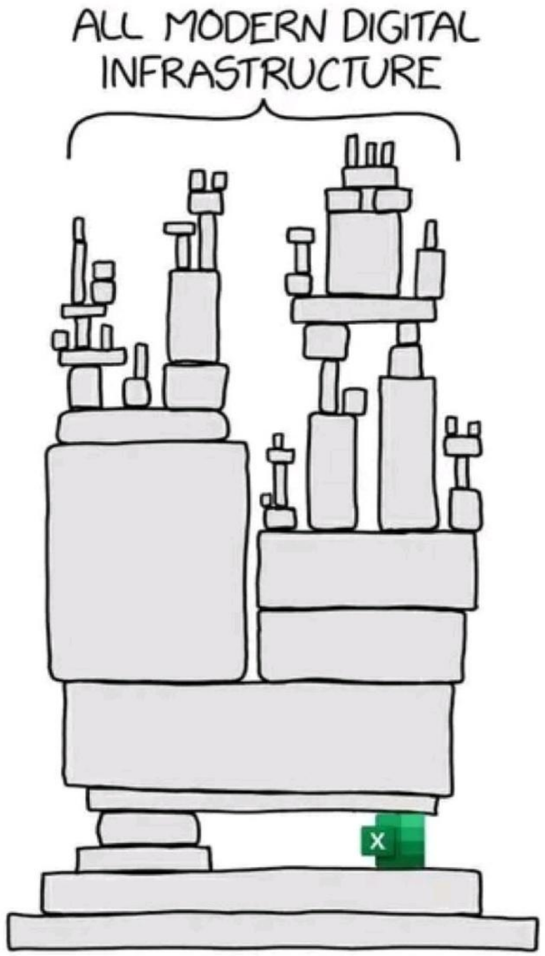

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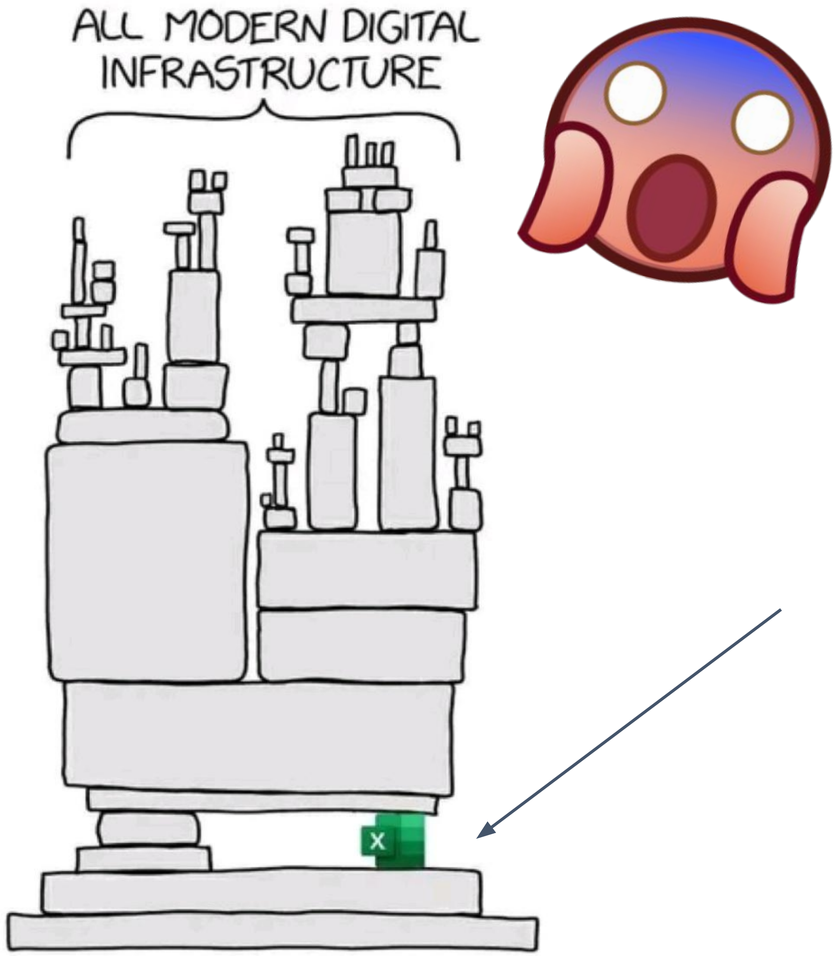

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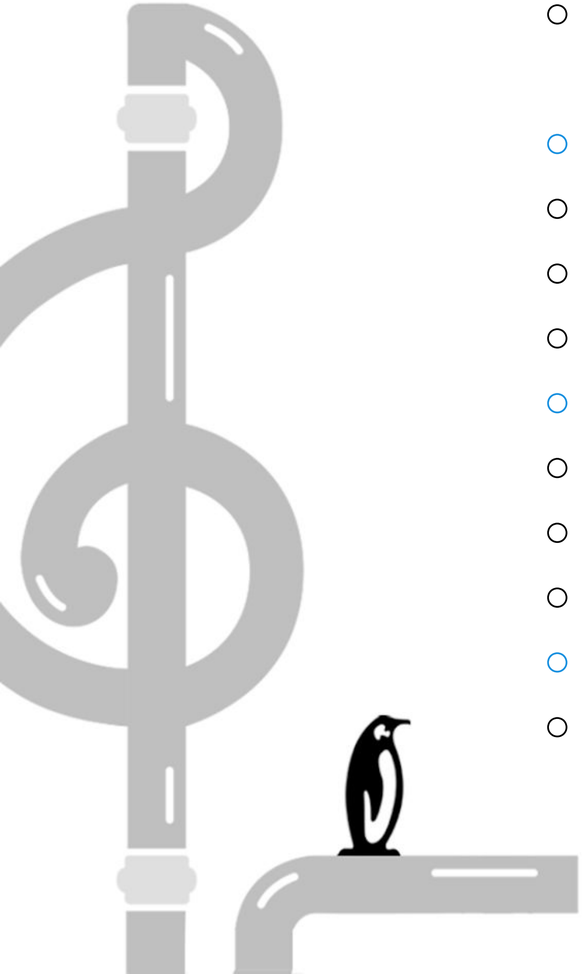
Why we do need SPDX for Functional Safety

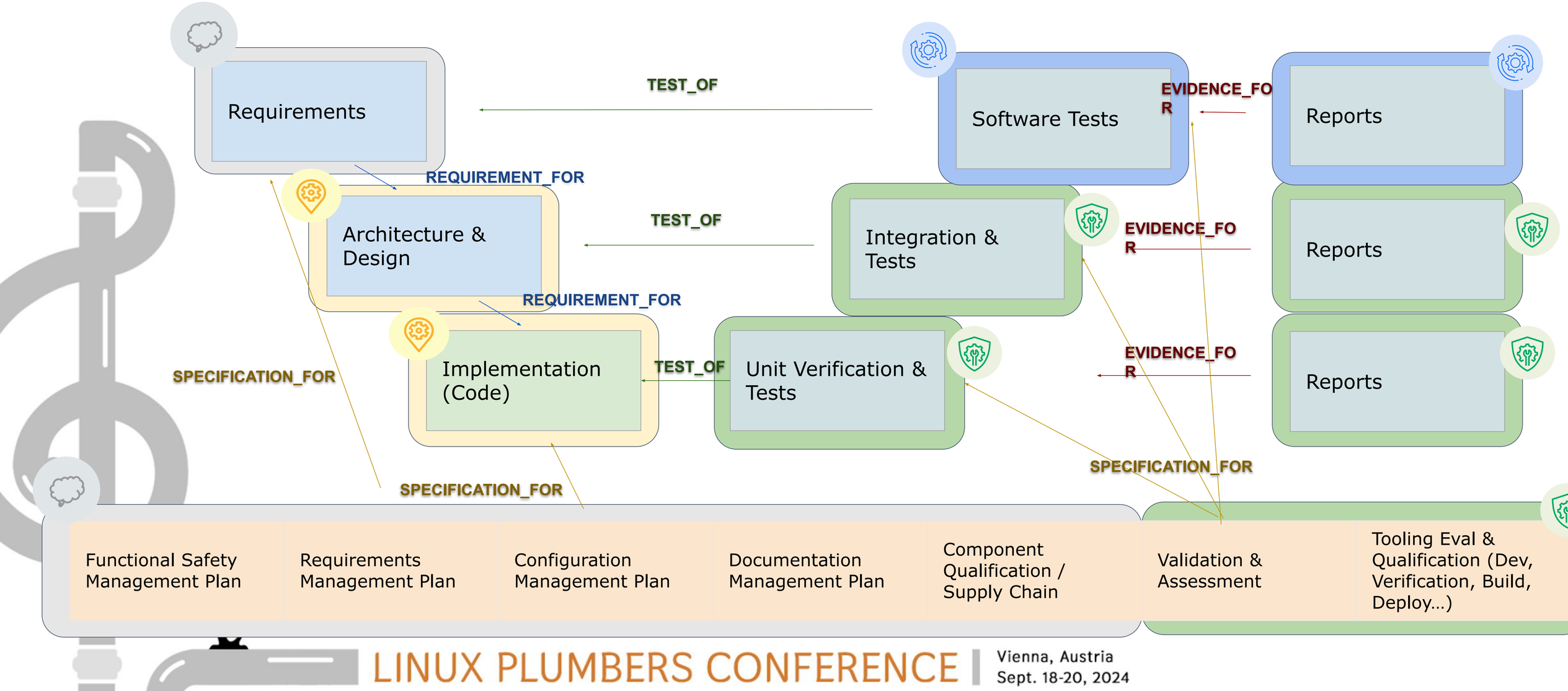
About SPDX

SPDX metadata includes details about creation and distribution, including the following:

- software composition, for collections of software (Packages), individual Files, and portions of files (Snippets)
- software build information
- artificial intelligence (AI) models
- datasets
- creator, supplier and distributor identity information
- provenance and integrity
- licenses and copyrights, including a curated list of licenses and exceptions
- security vulnerabilities, defects, and other quality data
- relationships between system elements
- software usage and lifecycle
- mechanisms to enable annotating SPDX elements and linking between multiple SPDX Documents



SPDX Safety Dependencies in a FuSa Project



SPDX model

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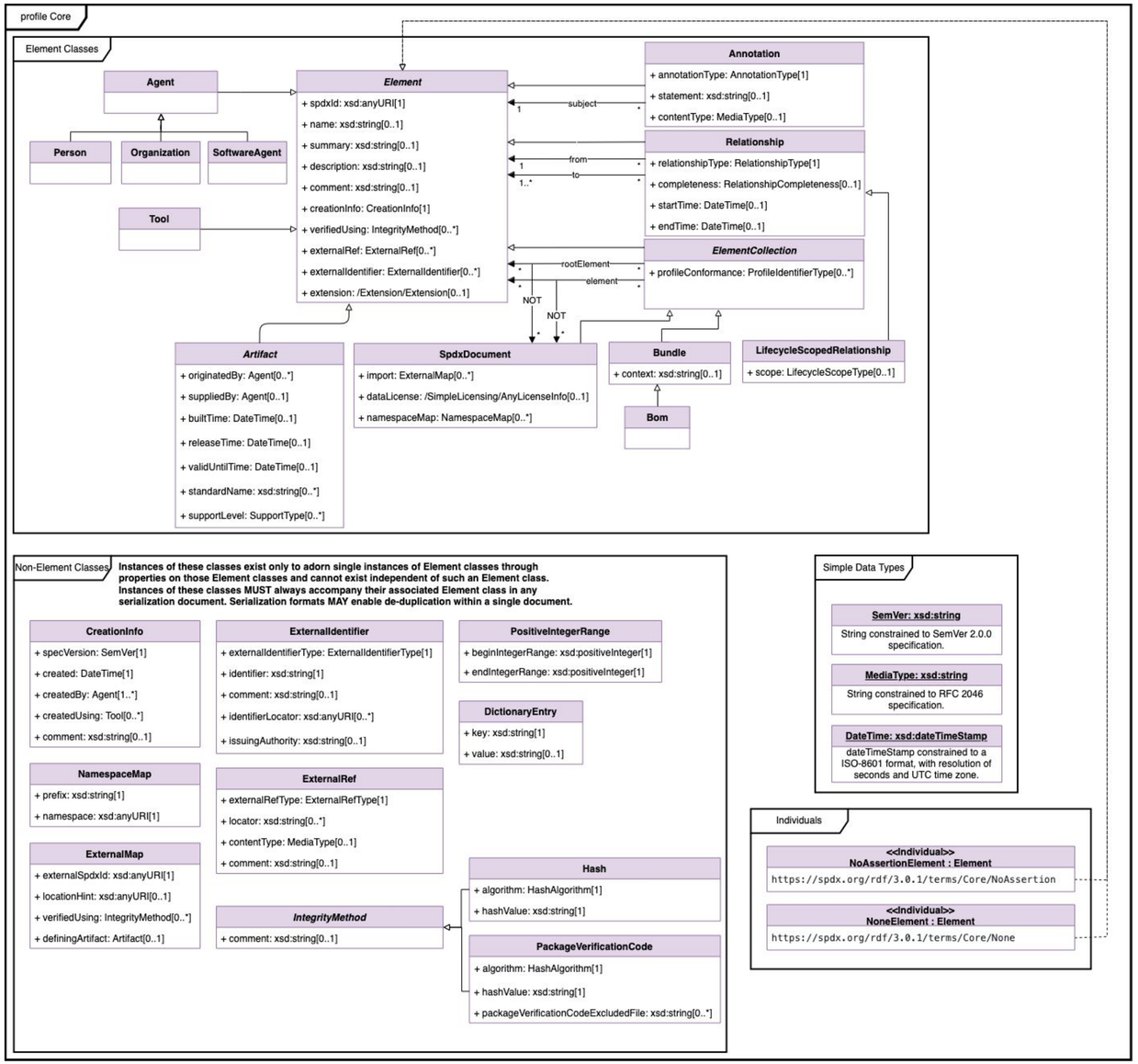

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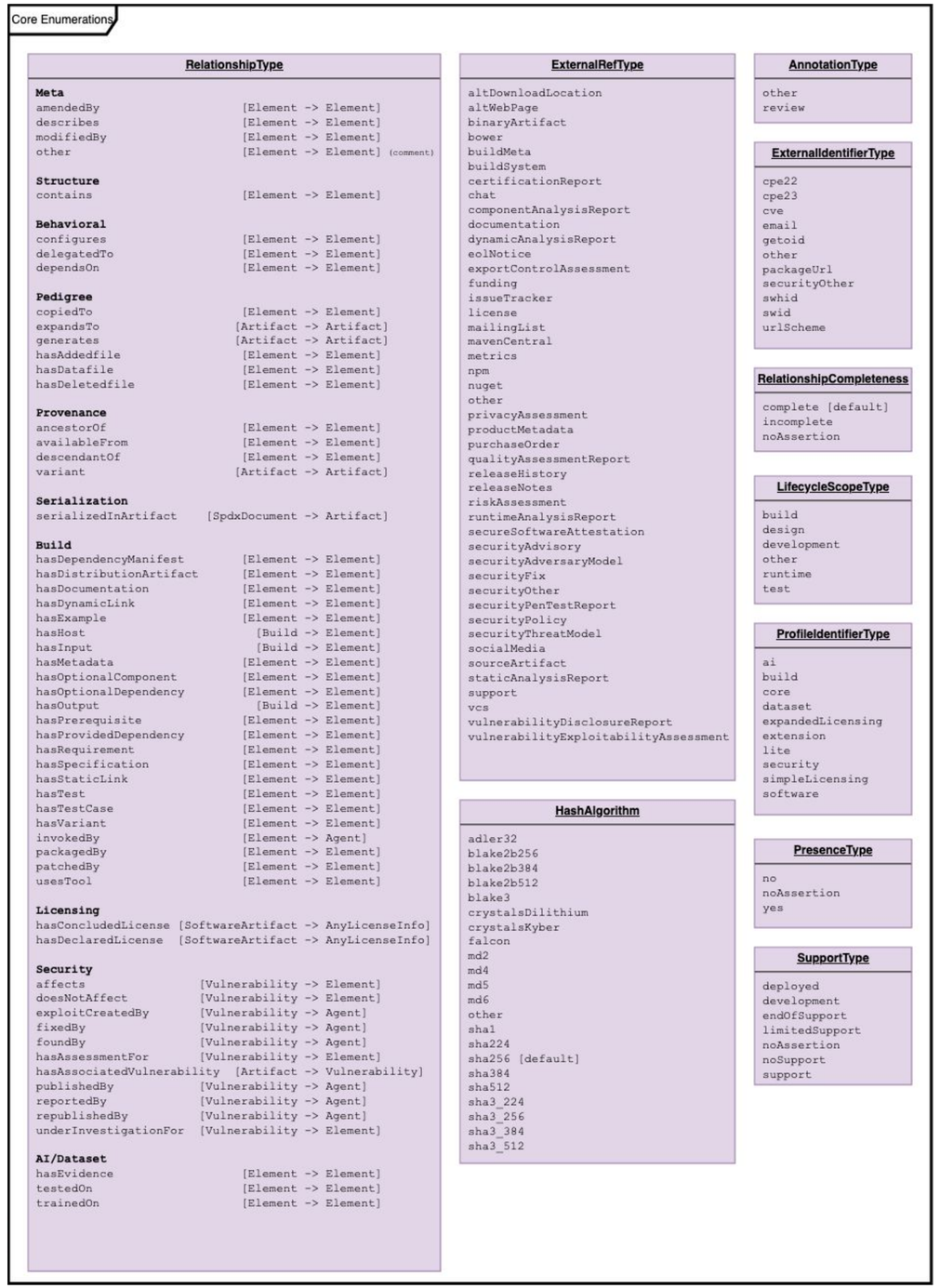

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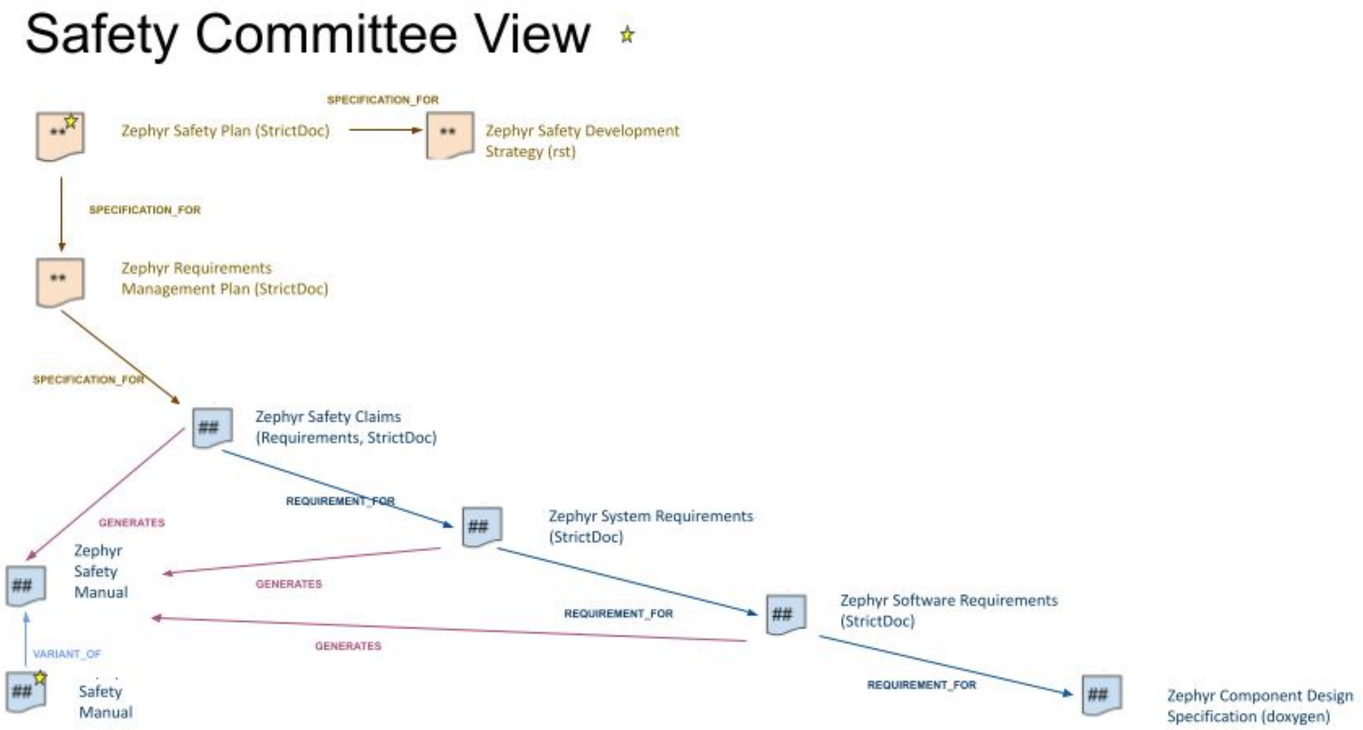
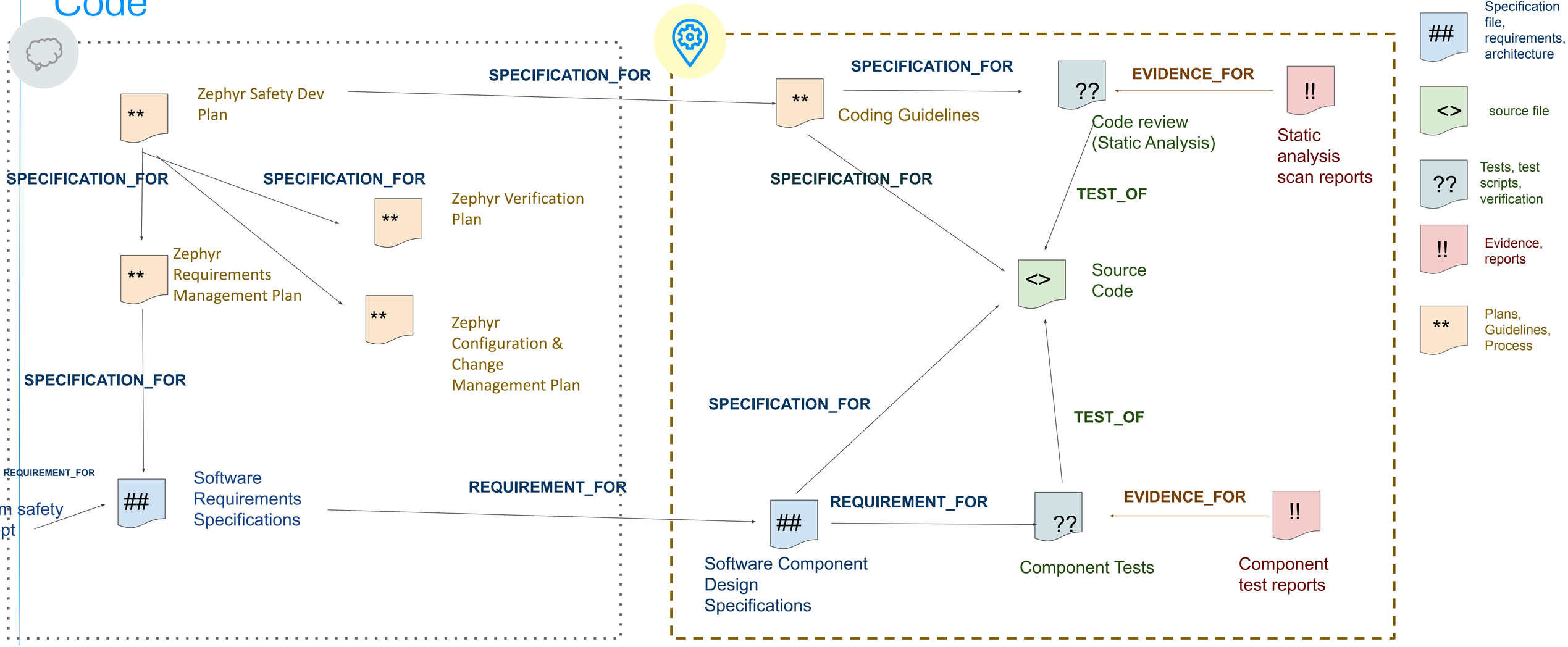
Requirements Management Knowledge Model



Zephyr Safety:

Dependencies of Safety Plan, Safety Claim, Req, Design and Code



Zephyr Safety:

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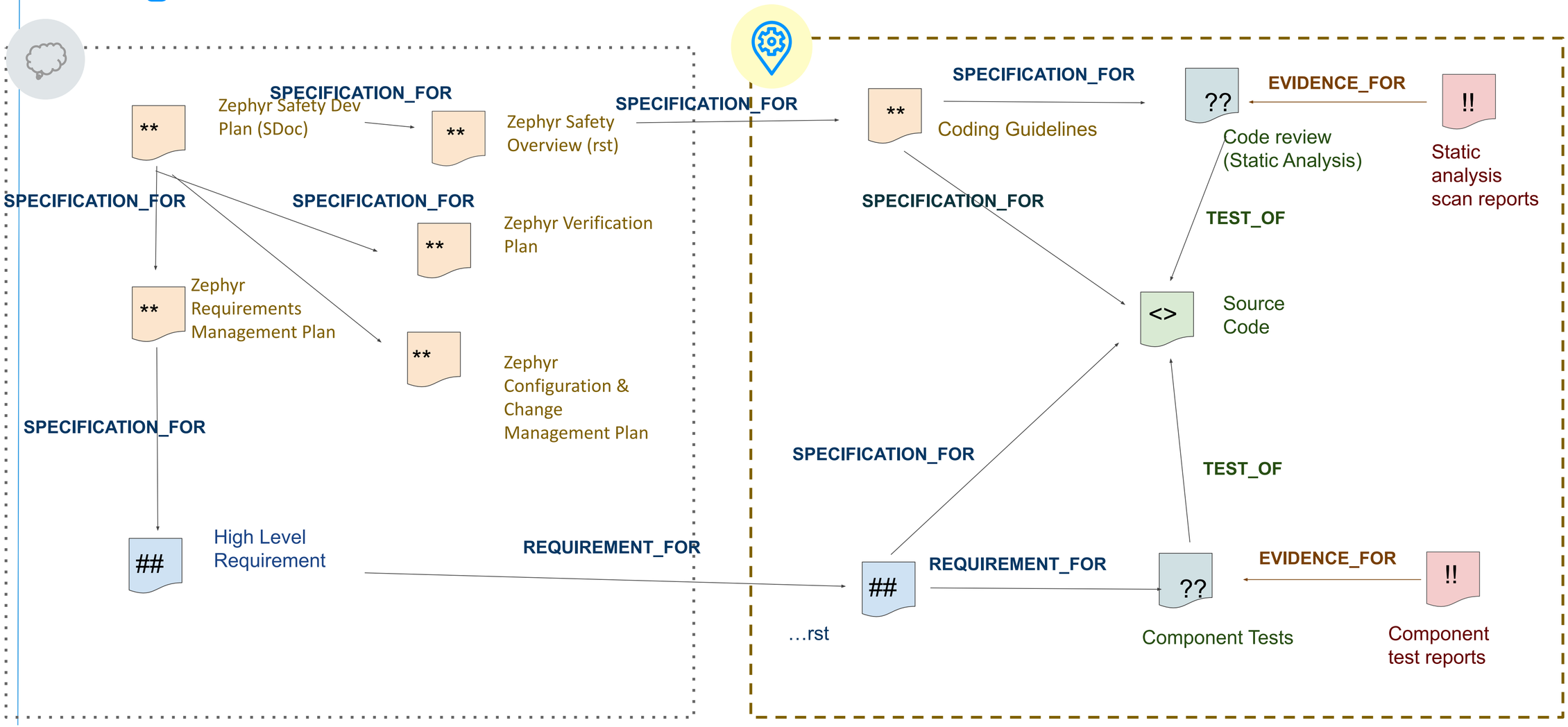
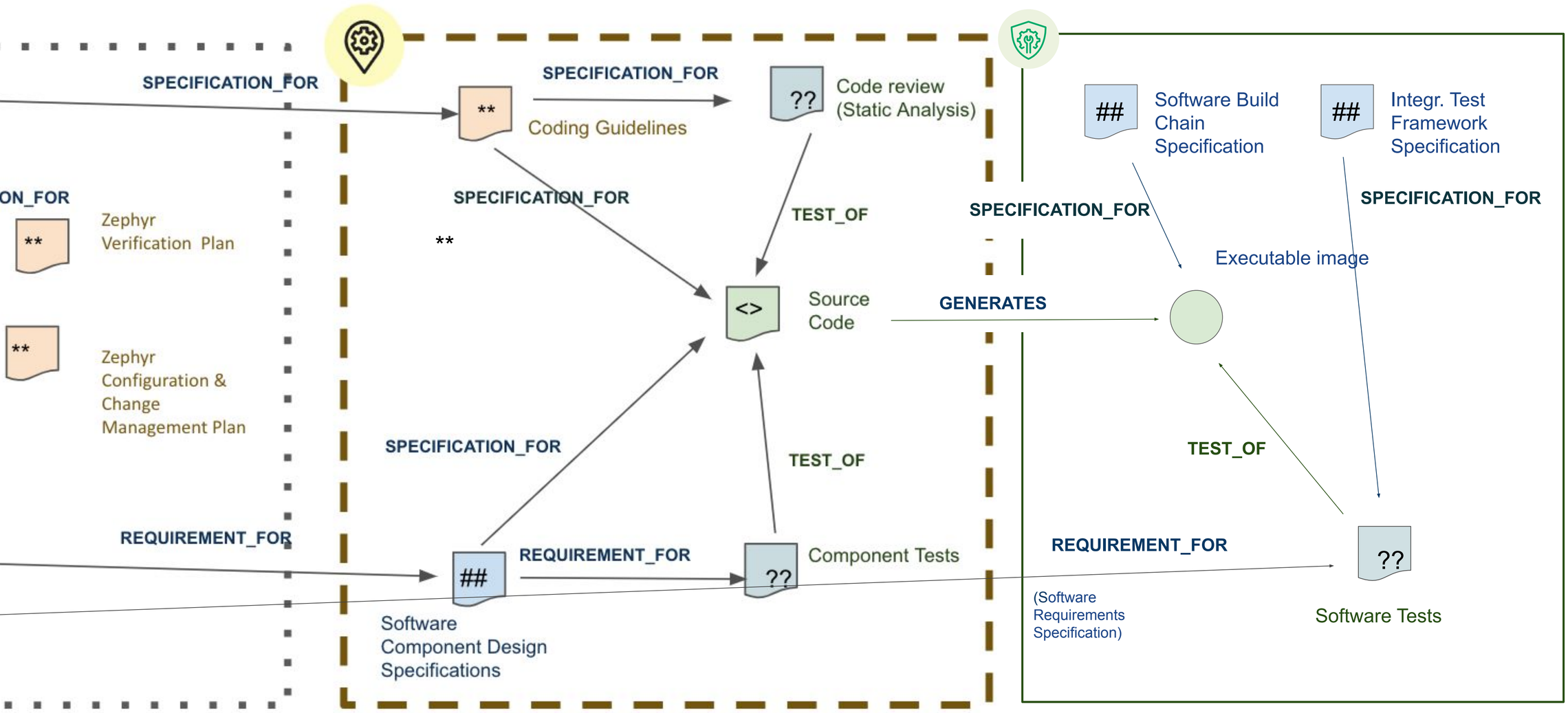


Zephyr Safety

Source SBOM to Build SBOM



Dependency Identification on Component Level

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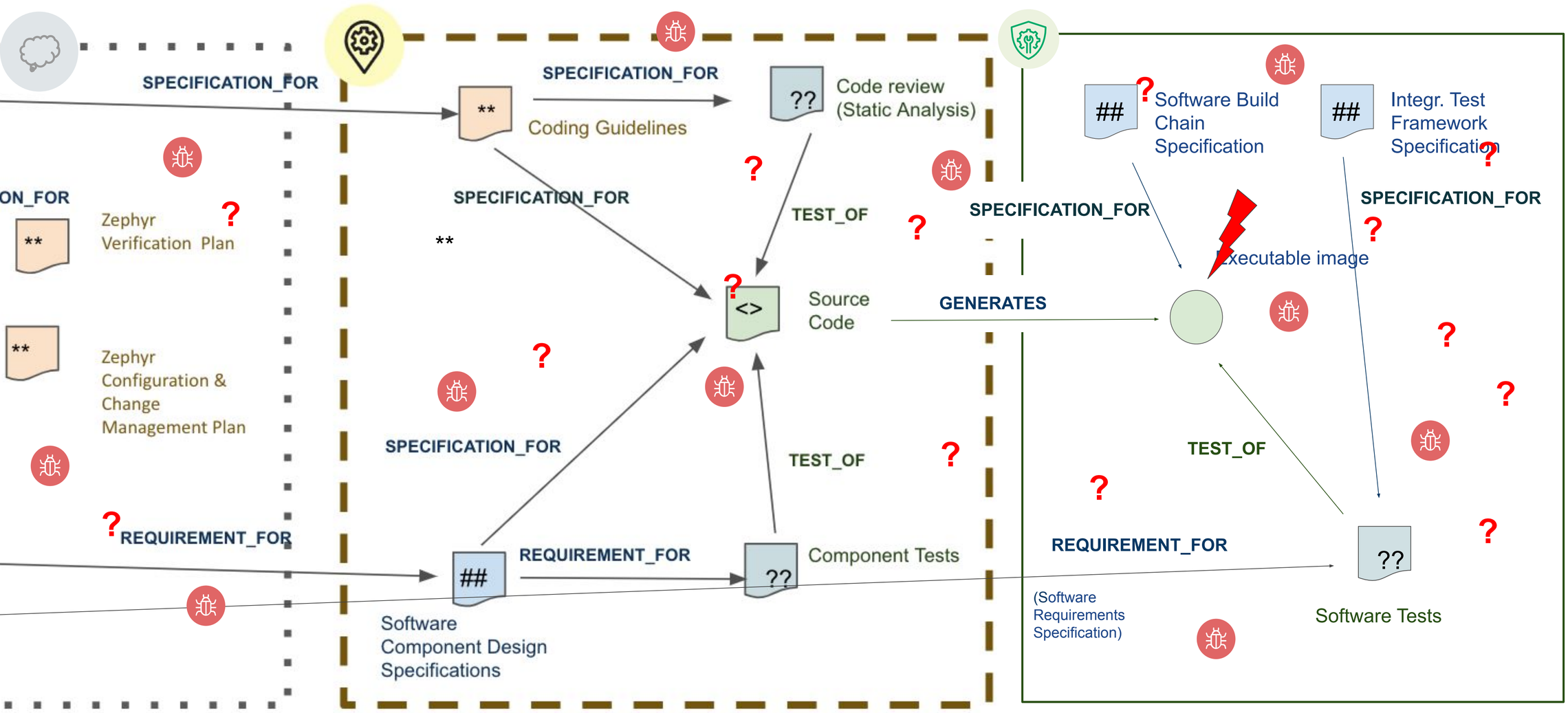

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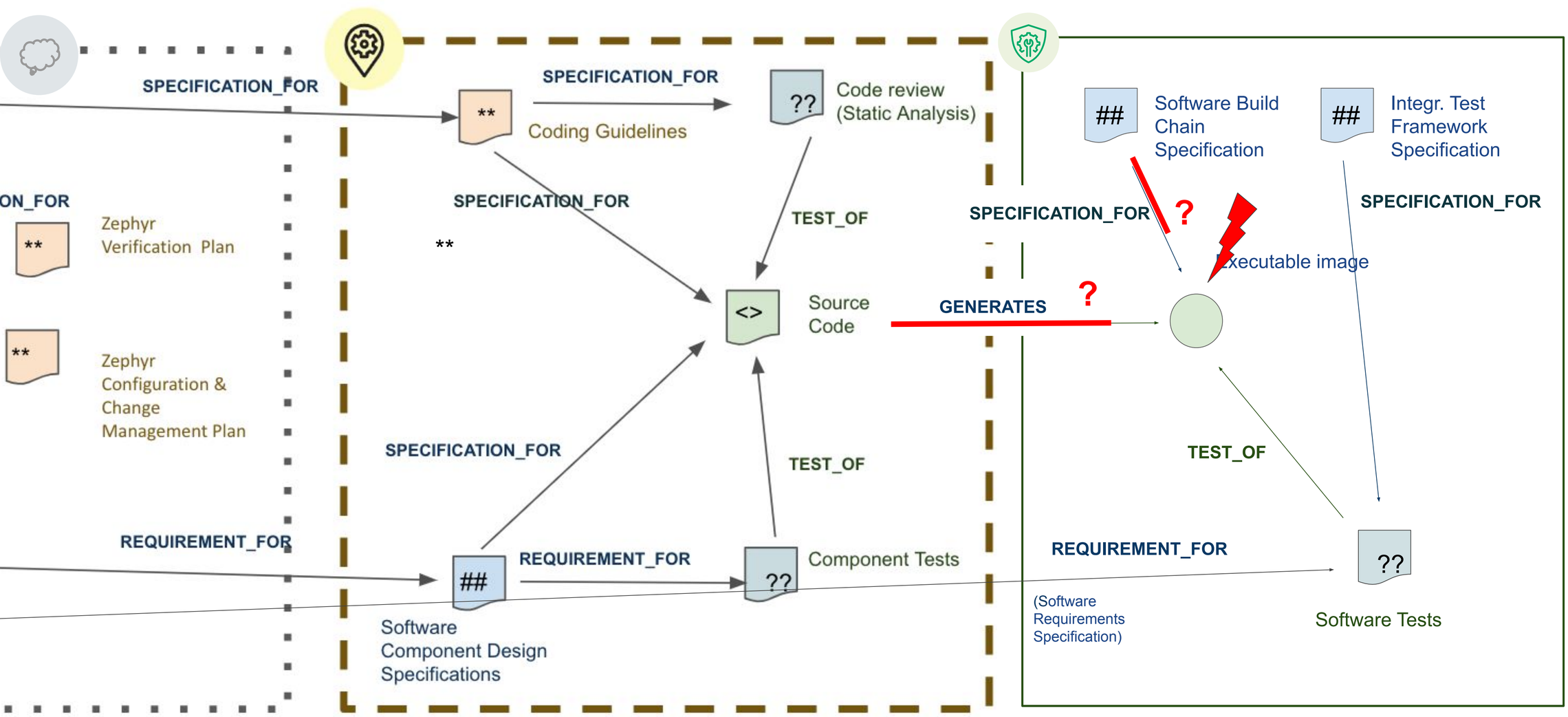

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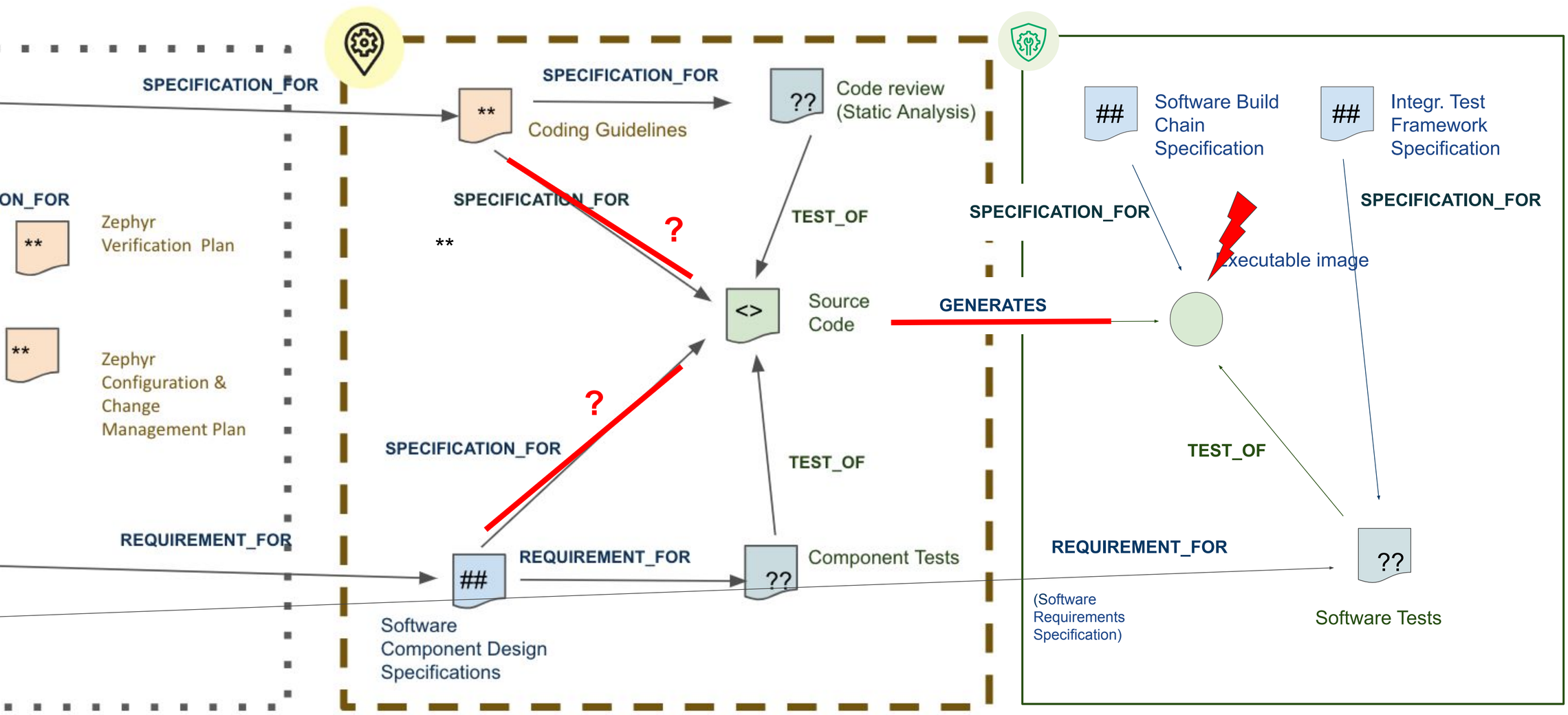

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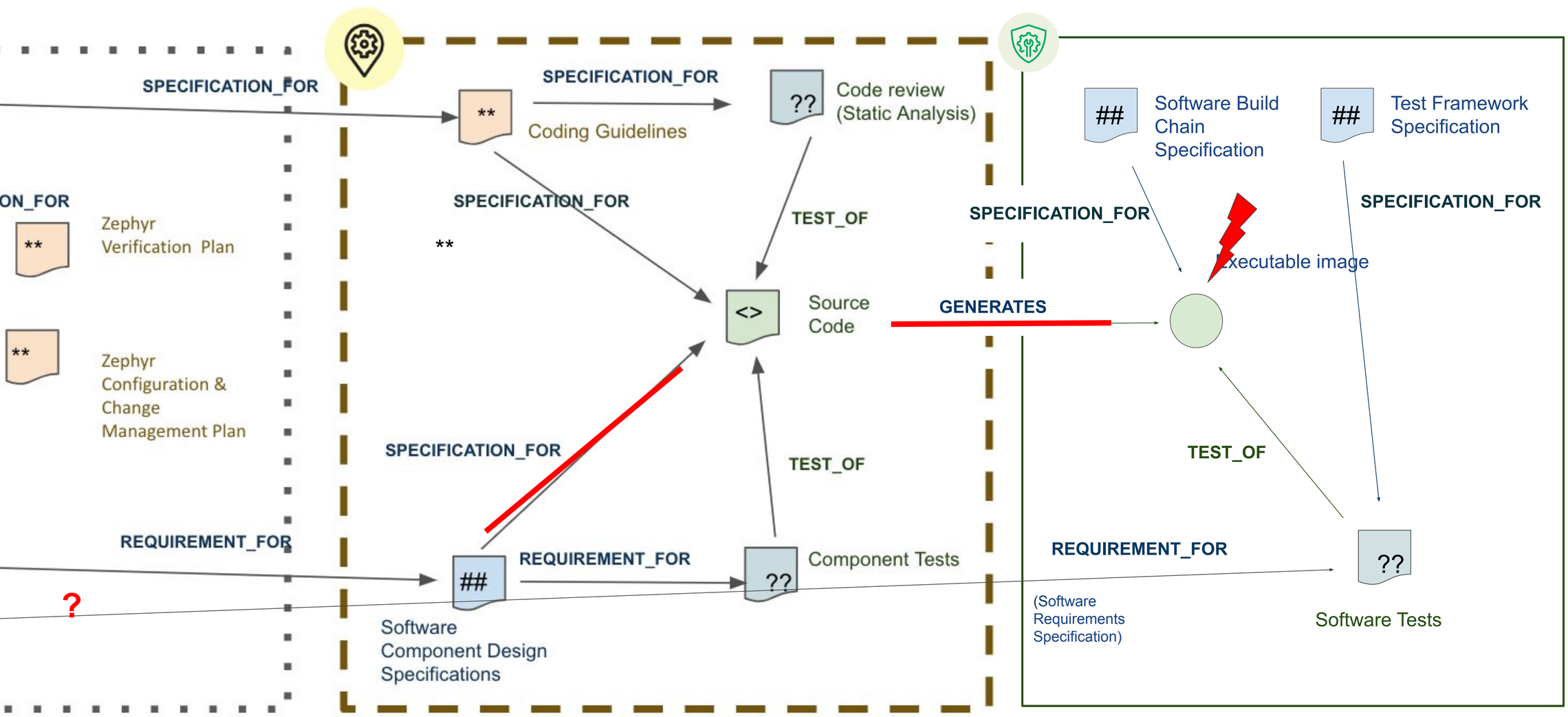

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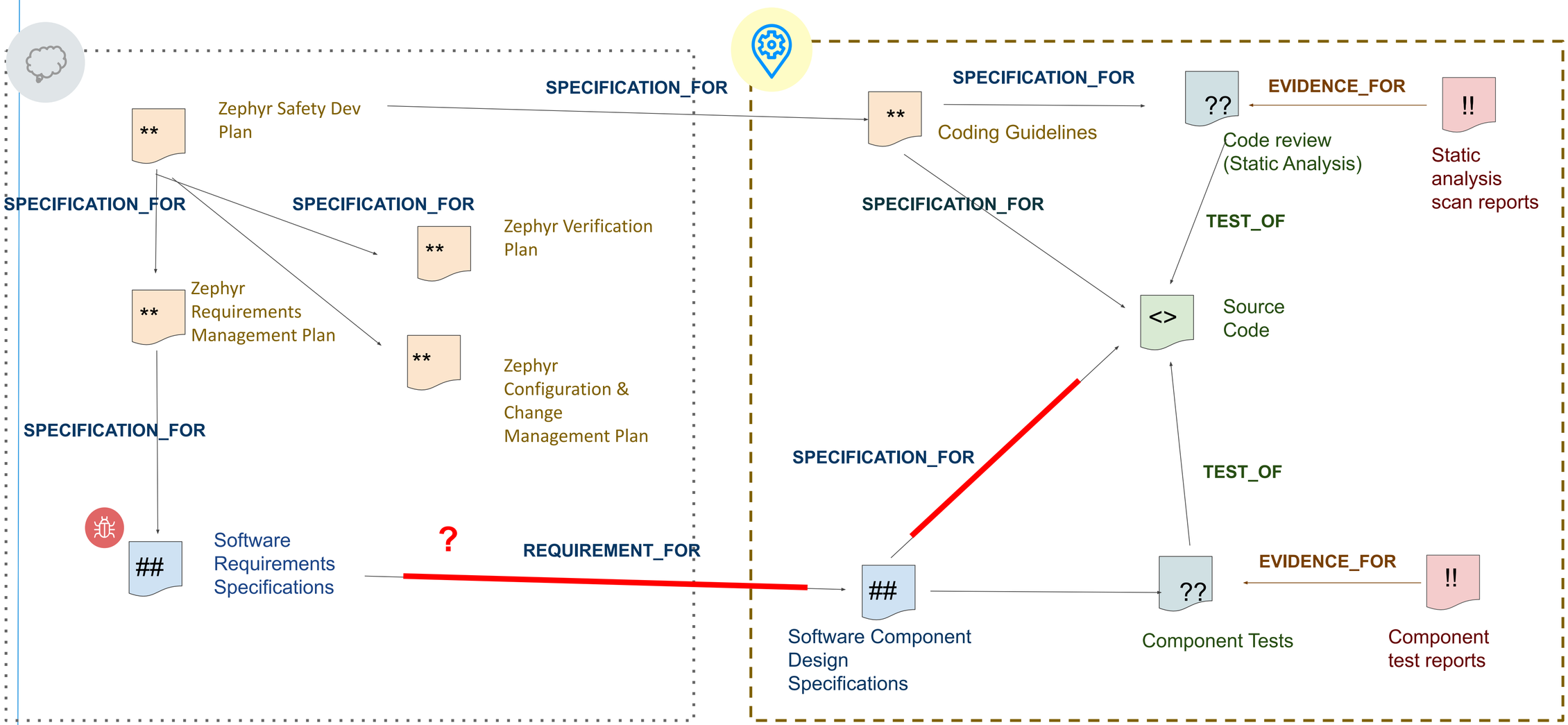

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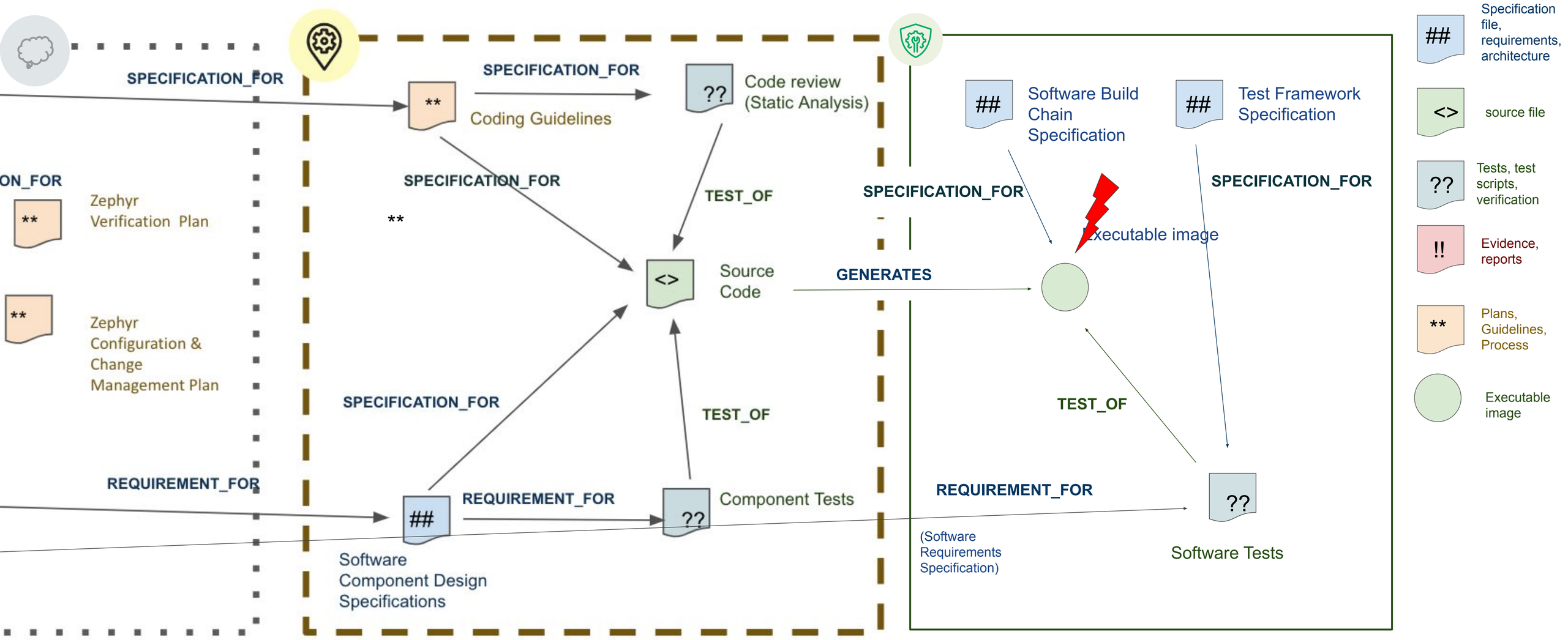

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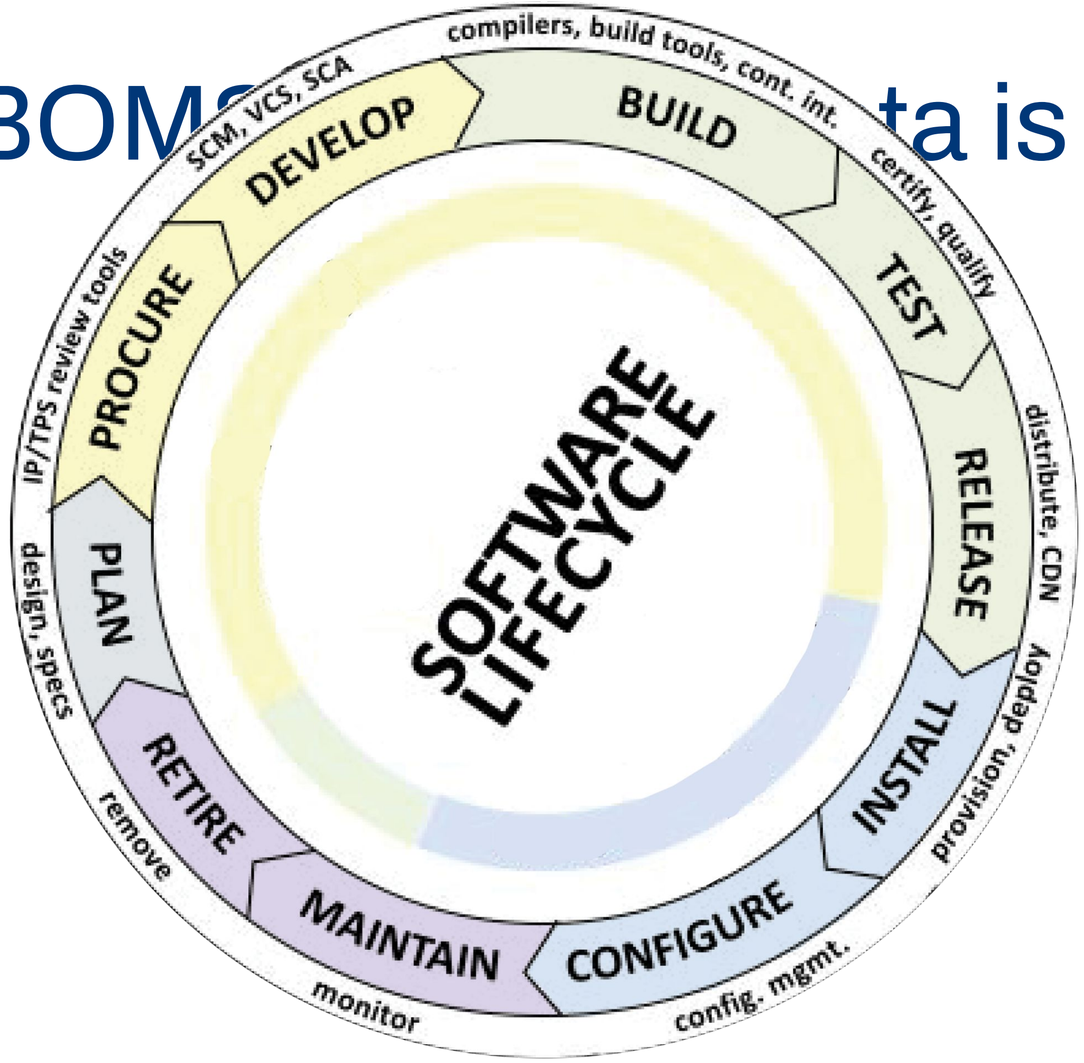
Generate SBOMs ta is known

Source SBOM

Design SBOM

Runtime SBOM



Build SBOM

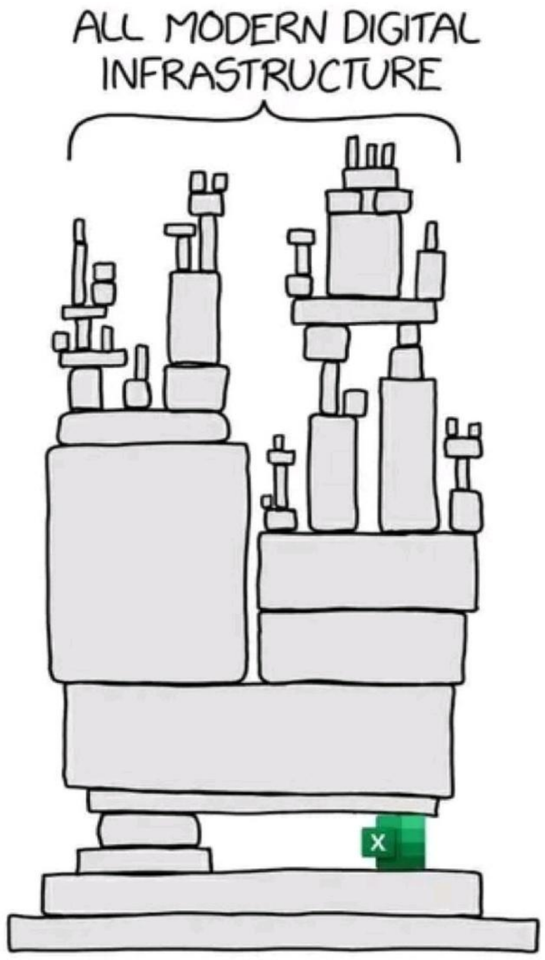
Deployed SBOM

SPDX

Exchange SPDX Safety SBOMs

No 1 Safety Information Exchange Format?

SPDX Safety SBOM!



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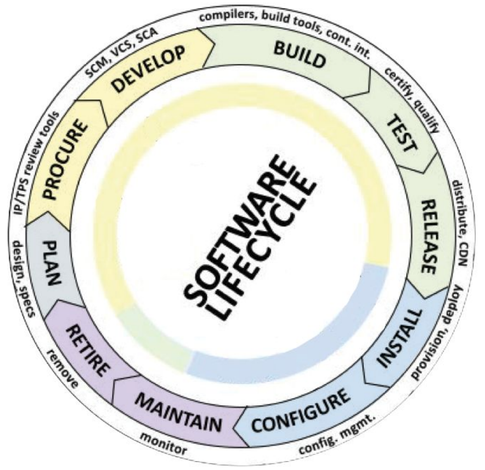

… instead of inconsistent Spreadsheets, manual import/e
half decent ReqIFs…

Conclusions

Using a SPDX Safety Profile

- Provides a complete model of dependencies in a safety related project
- Standardized exchange format for a safety case
- Supports effective impact analysis methodologies (input information for FMEA, Ishikawa Analysis, GSN/SACM etc.)
- Provides reproducible results in both impact analysis and evidence generation
- Formal way to demonstrate completeness after project tailoring and for different scopes
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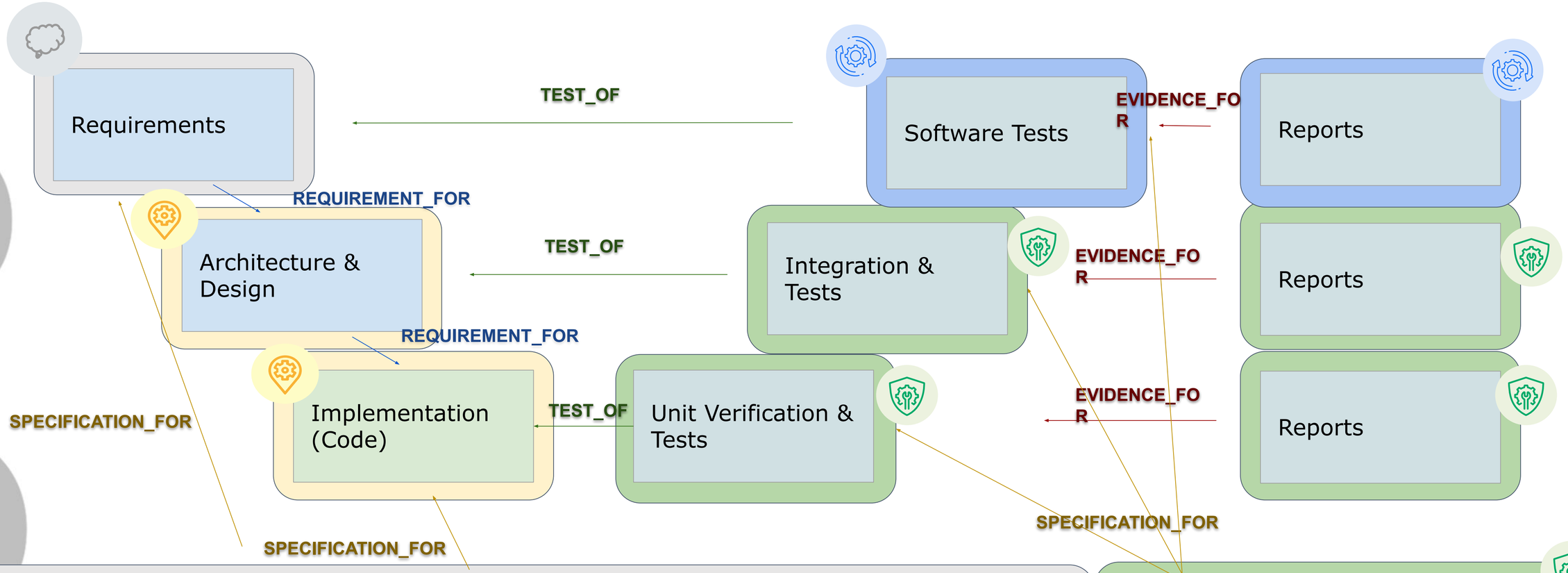
- …
- …

SPDX Safety Dependencies



Engage with the SPDX Safety SIG

https://lists.spdx.org/g/spdx-fusa

https://github.com/spdx/meetings/tree/main/safety

Questions?

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