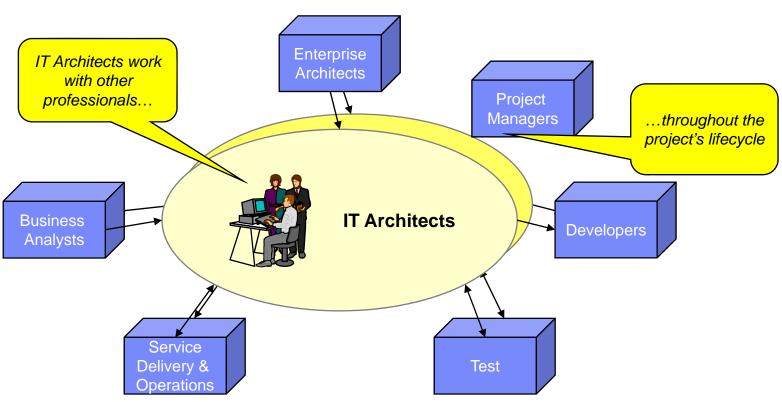


Architects working together with other IT and business professionals

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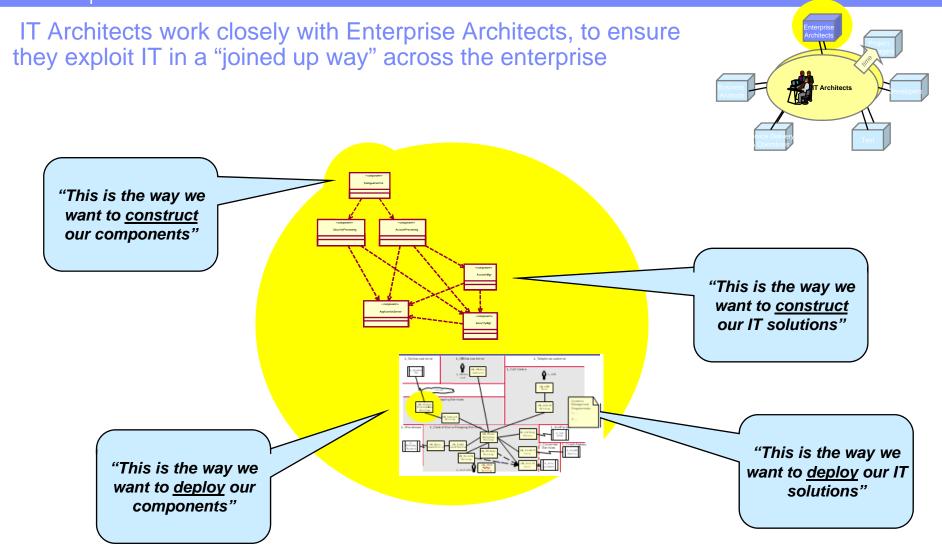


A significant aspect of a successful IT project is close co-operation between professionals within and across all parts of the business and IT organisation, across the full lifecycle of the project



Let's discuss each of these relationships in turn, before commenting a little more on the IT Architect's role...





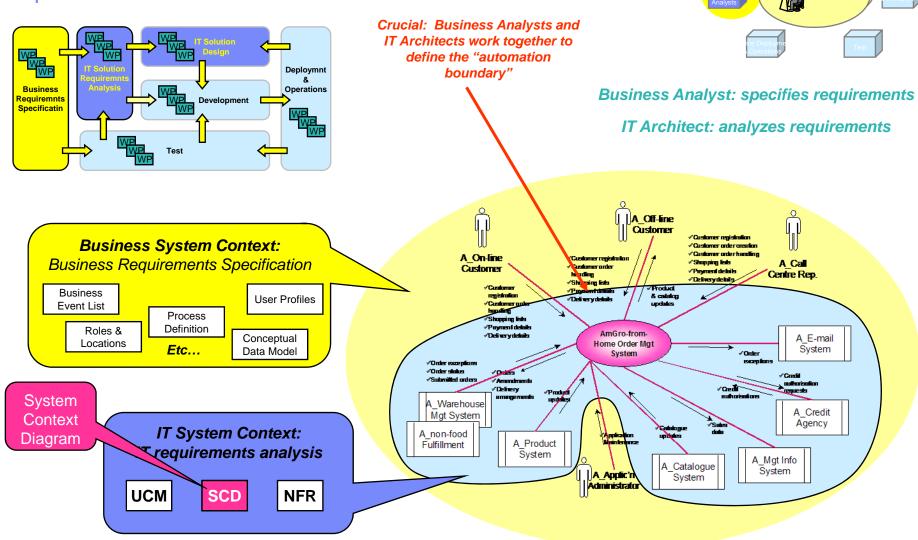
IT solutions built according to Reference Architectures...

...that are themselves constructed from standard components

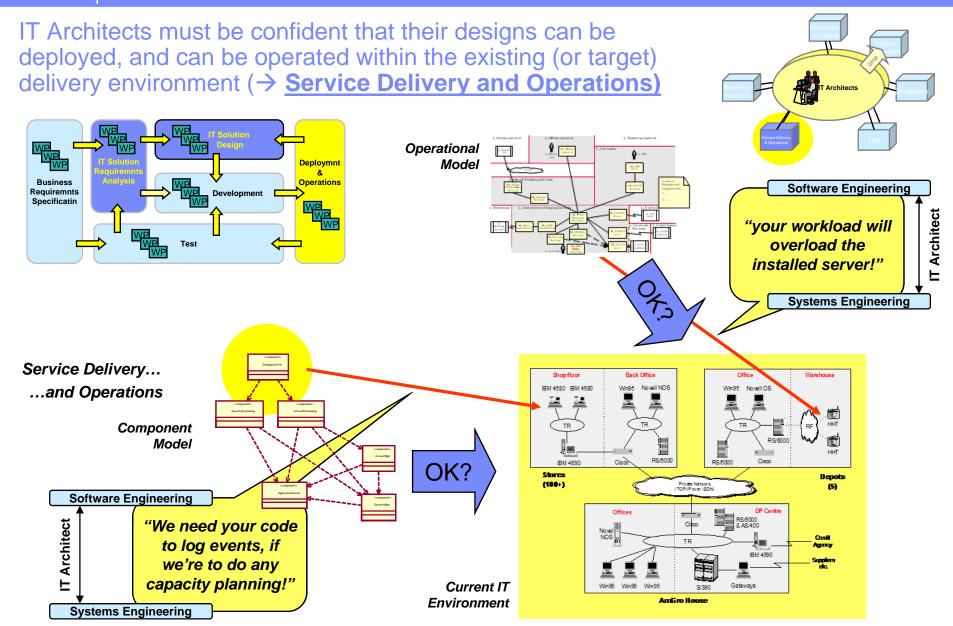


IT Architects

IT Architects work in close co-operation with **Business Analysts**, ensuring the viability of the automated aspects of the business's requirements

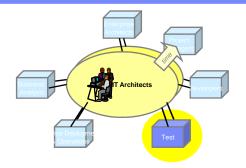


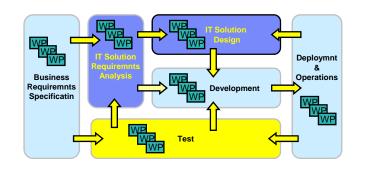


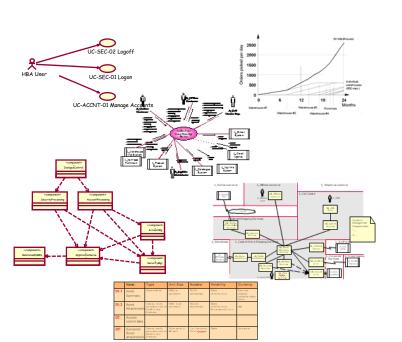




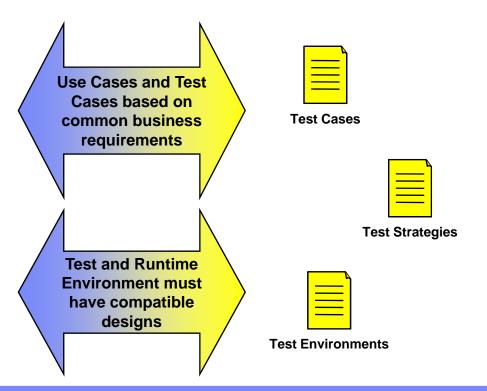
IT Architects work closely with those responsible for **testing** the IT System's functional (and non functional) capabilities





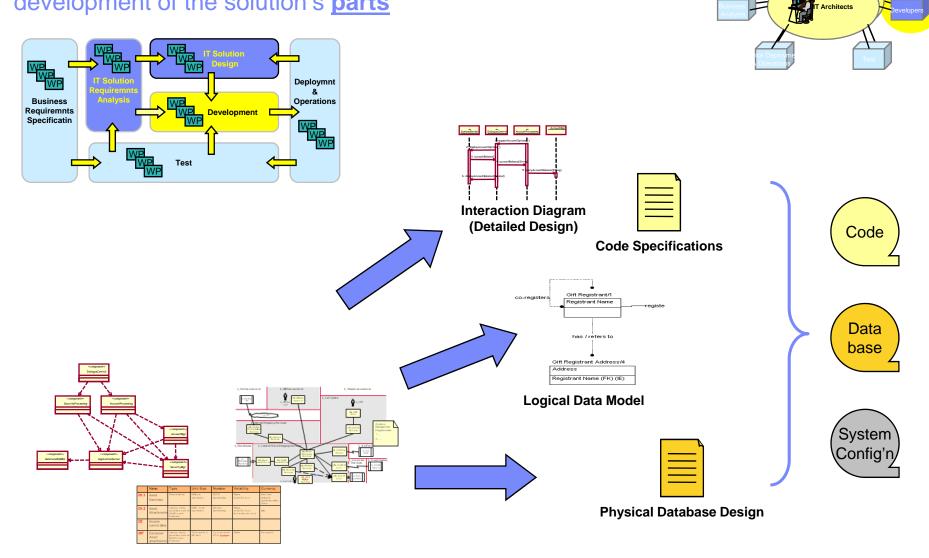


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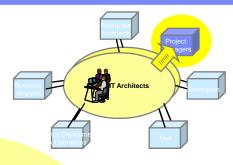


IT Architects provide the "structure and form" of a complex IT system, enabling <u>developers</u> to concentrate on the specification and development of the solution's <u>parts</u>





IT Architects are the project managers' "best friends": one caring for the *content* of the project, while the other cares for the *running* of the project, working in tandem

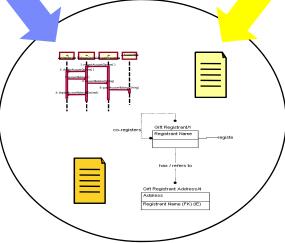




Will it work?

Do we have the right skills?

Are the requirements sensible?

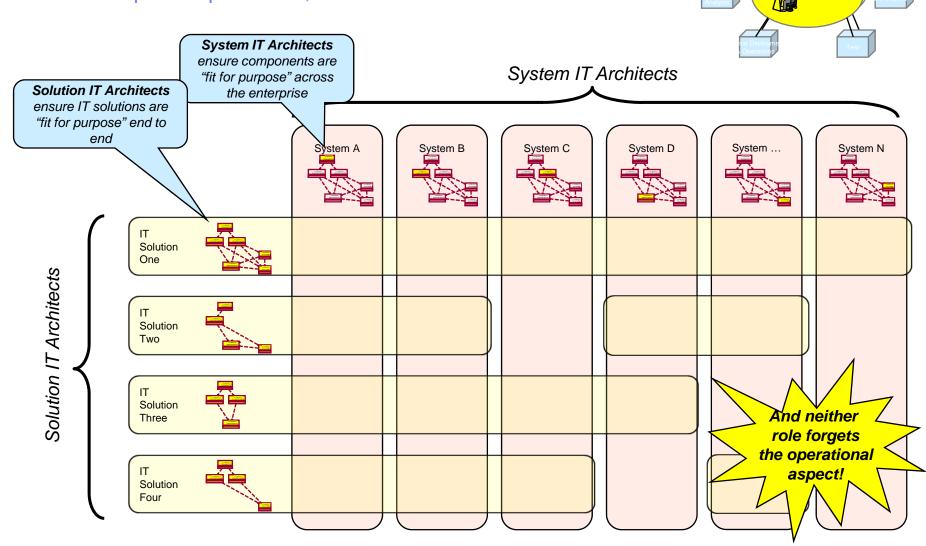


Are we on schedule?

Do we have enough resources?

Is the budget OK?

There is often a distinction between IT Architects responsible for the design of specific business solutions "end to end", with others focused on specific part of IT, across all business solutions





Glossary of acronyms

- AOD
- AT
- CM
- DU
- EA
- IT
- IS
- NFR
- OM
- RA
- SCD
- SLC
- SLCA
- UCM
- WP



Glossary of acronyms

- AOD Architecture Overview Diagram
- AT Architectural Thinking
- CM Component Model
- DU Deployment Unit
- EA Enterprise Architecture
- IT Information Technology
- IS Information Systems
- NFR Non Functional Requirement
- OM Operational Model
- RA Reference Architecture
- SCD System Context Diagram
- SLC Service Level Characteristic
- SLCA SLC Analysis
- UCM Use Case Model
- WP Work Product