

What is important in CMMI and what are the interrelations among its elements?

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Tasks of BME in this project

- 2009/10 (product oriented quality assurance):
 - ISO/IEC 9126 quality assurance schema for ODF applications
 - Quality profiles for ODF applications
- 2011 (process oriented quality assurance)
 CMMI^{®*}- based quality assurance schema for ODF applications

2011 / Goal, problems, steps

- Goal:
 - CMMI-based quality assurance schema for ODF application
- Problem:
 - New version of CMMI was released in November 2010
 - CMMI currently has 3 constellations, 500 pages each
- Steps:
 - Understand CMMI
 - Analyze the new version of CMMI
 - Understand what is important
 - Understand dependencies/connections between components
 - Develop CMMI-based quality assurance schema for ODF applications having in mind the most important concepts and dependencies in CMMI

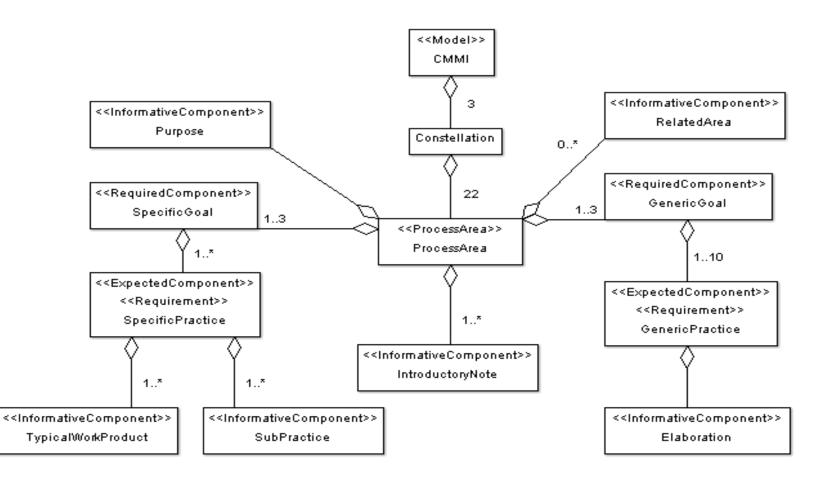


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Comparison of CMMI models

Measure	CMMI for Development				Al for isition	CMMI for	Services	
	V1.1 Staged	V1.1 Cont	V1.2	V1.3	V1.2	V1.3	V1.2	V1.3
Pages	715	710	560	482	428	438	531	520
Process Areas	25	25	22	22	22	22	24	24
Generic Goals	2	5	5	3	5	3	5	3
Generic Practices	12	17	17	13	17	13	17	13
Specific Goals	55	55	50	49	46	47	52	53
Specific Practices	185	189	173	167	161	163	182	181

The structure of CMMI

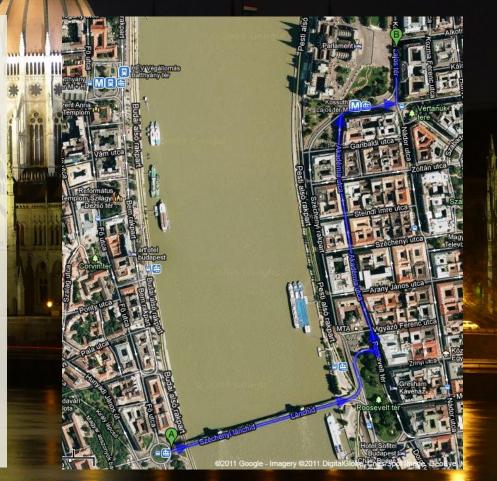


The structure of CMMI

	Level	Capability	Result
6	Continuous Process Improvement	Organizational Innovation & Deployment Causal Analysis & Resolution	Productivity & Quality
4	duantitative Management Management	Quantitative Process Management Software Quality Management	
Defined	Process Standardization	Requirements Development Technical Solution Product Integration Verification Validation Organizational Process Focus Organizational Process Definition Organizational Training Integrated Product Management Risk Management Integrated Teaming Integrated Teaming Integrated Supplier Management Decision Analysis & Resolution Organizational Environment for Integration	
2 Managed	Basic Project Management	Requirements Management Project Planning Project Monitoring & Control Supplier Agreement Management Measurement & Analysis Product & Process Quality Assurance Configuration Management	
	Heroic Efforts	Design Develop Integrate Test	Risk & Waste

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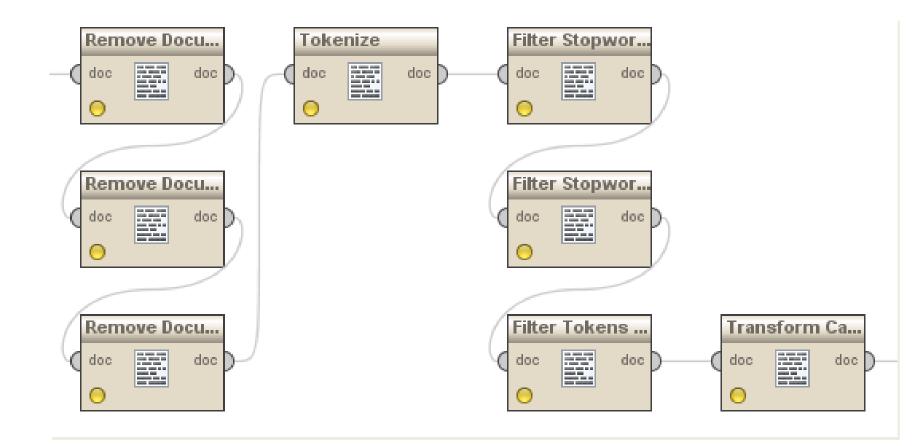
- All occurrences would make a 1627 meters long line
- 20 minutes walking (according to Google maps)
- More than
 - walking from Clark Adams square - center of Hungary
 - passing the Danube Europe's second largest river - on Chain bridge
 - walking till the Hungarian Parliament



Processing CMMI documents

- 3 simple steps:
- 1. Processing CMMI documents from input files (3)
- 2. Converting wordlist to data
- 3. Writing results to an output file

Processing CMMI documents



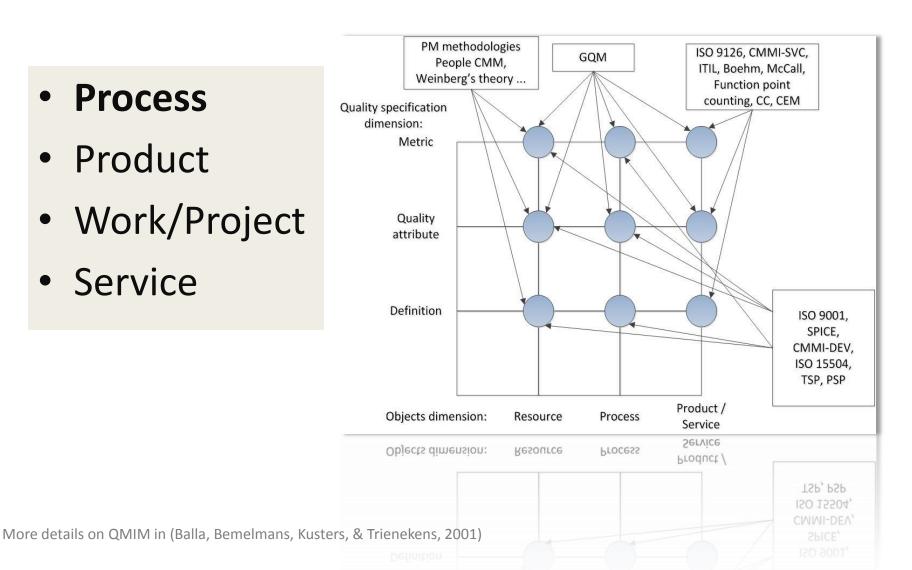
Results

	Toker	nized wordlist	
#	word	in documents	total
1	process	3	8946
2	work	3	3706
3	project	3	3170
4	service	3	2934
5	cmmi	3	2682
6	management	3	2532
7	performance	3	2437
8	requirements	3	2406
9	product	3	2338
10	organization	3	2194
11	area	3	2044
12	products	3	1903
13	processes	3	1879
14	organizational	3	1641
15	information	3	1589
16	version	3	1577
17	objectives	3	1545
18	include	3	1538
19	analysis	3	1366
20	supplier	3	1359

Stemmed (Snowball) wordlist				
word	in documents	total		
process	3	10853		
product	3	4370		
servic	3	4219		
work	3	3751		
project	3	3556		
perform	3	3501		
manag	3	3459		
requir	3	3022		
plan	3	2988		
area	3	2930		
cmmi	3	2682		
organ	3	2546		
includ	3	2319		
measur	3	2124		
risk	3	2089		
develop	3	2017		
establish	3	1969		
improv	3	1924		
exampl	3	1863		
object	3	1798		

The most important concepts and QMIM

- Process
- Product
- Work/Project
- Service



Finding cross-references in CMMI

Conducting the search

- We were looking for:
 - "Refer to the" ... "process area ..."

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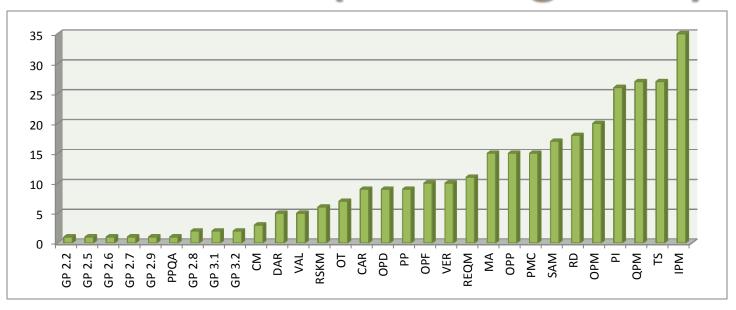
- "Refer to the" ... "specific practice in" ... "process area..."
- Part 2 of all constellations were examined
- Examples were filtered
- Irrelevant references were filtered, e.g.:
 - the organization's set of standard processes can *refer to the* standard processes established at the organization level

Cross-references in CMMI

Results:

- Quite complex: 992 (1016) cross-references in total!
 - 311 in CMMI-DEV
 - 388 in CMMI-SVC
 - 293 in CMMI-ACQ
- Referring from different levels:
 - In PAs: Introductory notes, related process areas, specific practice level
 - In GPs
- Referring to different levels:
 - E.g. to PA, SG, SP

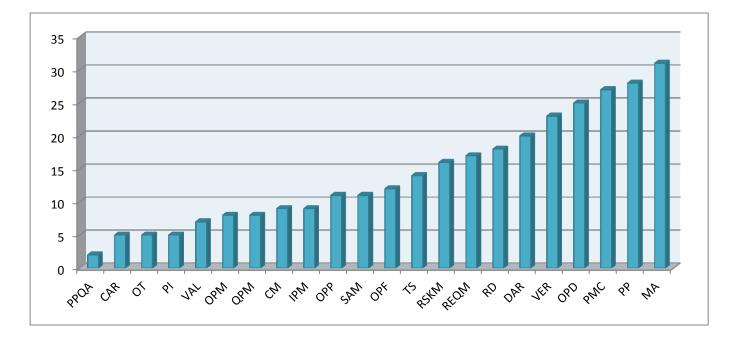
Understanding Cross-references in CMMI-DEV (referring from)



Training: GPs and PPQA are probably easier to understand

IPM implementation can be quite difficult (especially in multimodel environment), since it relies on many other elements

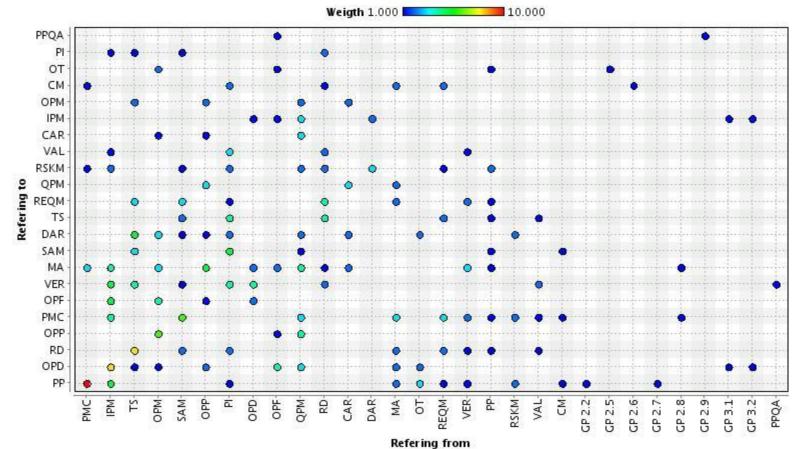
Understanding Cross-references in CMMI-DEV (referring to)



Implementing MA, PP, PMC will have effect on many other elements

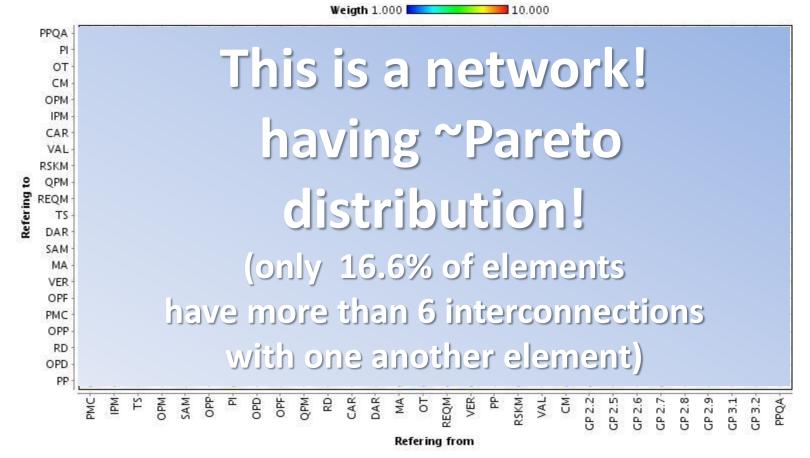
PPQA, CAR, OT can probably be implemented more independently.

Coupled elements (139, weighted)



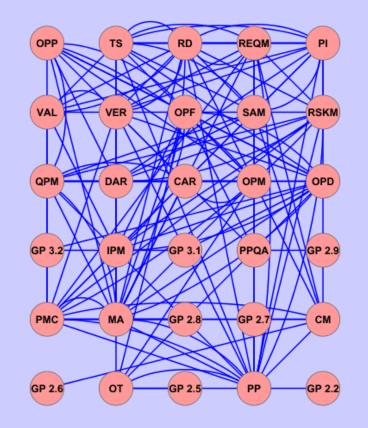
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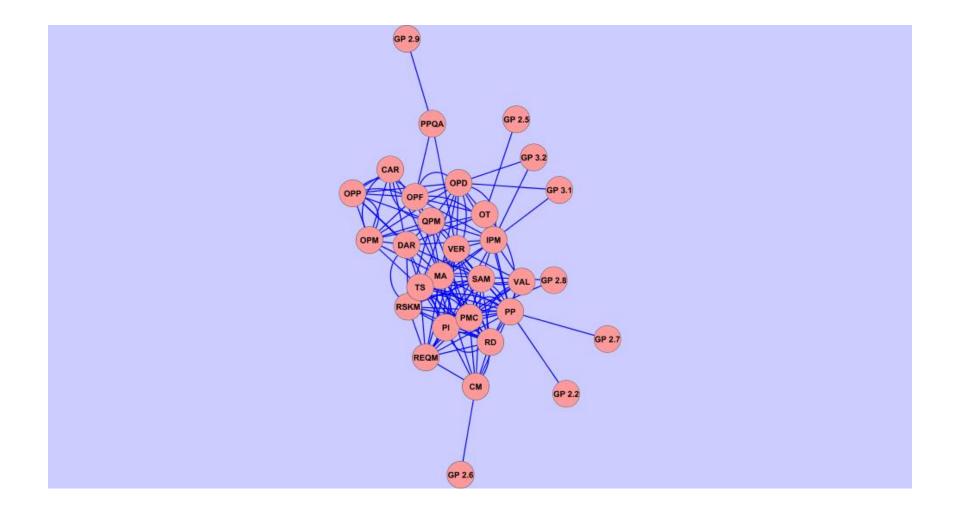


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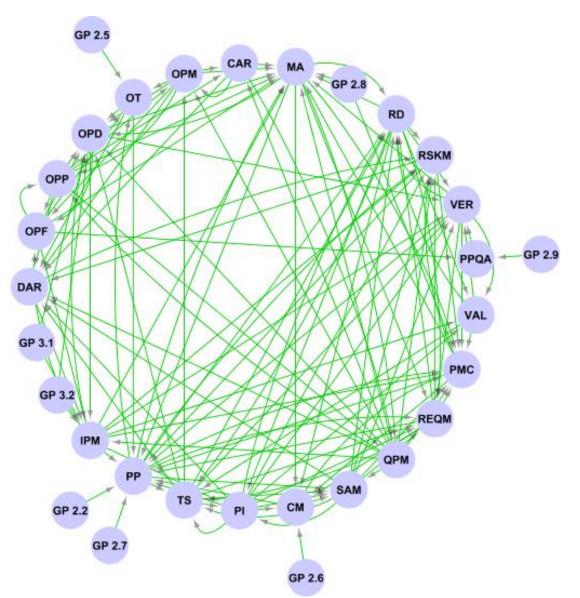
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Summary / Further work

- Creating a CMMI based schema for ODF applications
 - Analyzing CMMI (preliminary results in this presentation)
 - Most important concepts in CMMI
 - Cross references among PAs

Ongoing/next steps:

- Aligning CMMI concepts to ODF environments
 - Recommendations, e.g. for MA, measuring ODF products, use ISO 9126.
 - What are the most important concepts/processes in ODF specific development?
 - How can be these supported by CMMI best practices?
 - How particular (e.g. strongly coupled) processes e.g. PP, PMC can be used in ODF development?

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Questions?

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