

10.1 Overview

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The Conceptual [Traceability](#) Model defines how the Financial Systems Archetype preserves relationships among conceptual elements, logical elements, implementation artifacts, deployment artifacts, and [Evidence](#).

[Traceability](#) allows authors, reviewers, implementers, testers, operators, and auditors to understand how a concern moves through the document set. It also supports impact analysis when a concept, logical element, implementation artifact, deployment artifact, or [Evidence](#) requirement changes.

Figure 10.1-1 summarises the traceability chain used by the Financial Systems Archetype.

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Conceptual Element
└─ Logical Element / PIM
    └─ Implementation Artifact / PSM
        └─ Deployment Artifact
            └─ Evidence
```

Figure 10.1-1: Traceability chain from conceptual element to evidence

The [Traceability](#) chain does not require one-to-one mapping at every layer. One conceptual element may influence multiple logical elements. One logical element may map to multiple implementation artifacts. One [Evidence](#) item may support multiple claims. The architecture requires explicit relationships, not artificial one-to-one correspondence.

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