

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 artefacts, deployment artefacts, 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 artefact, deployment artefact, 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 Artefact / PSM
│       └─ Deployment Artefact
│           └─ 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 artefacts. One **Evidence** item may support multiple claims. The architecture requires explicit relationships, not artificial one-to-one correspondence.

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