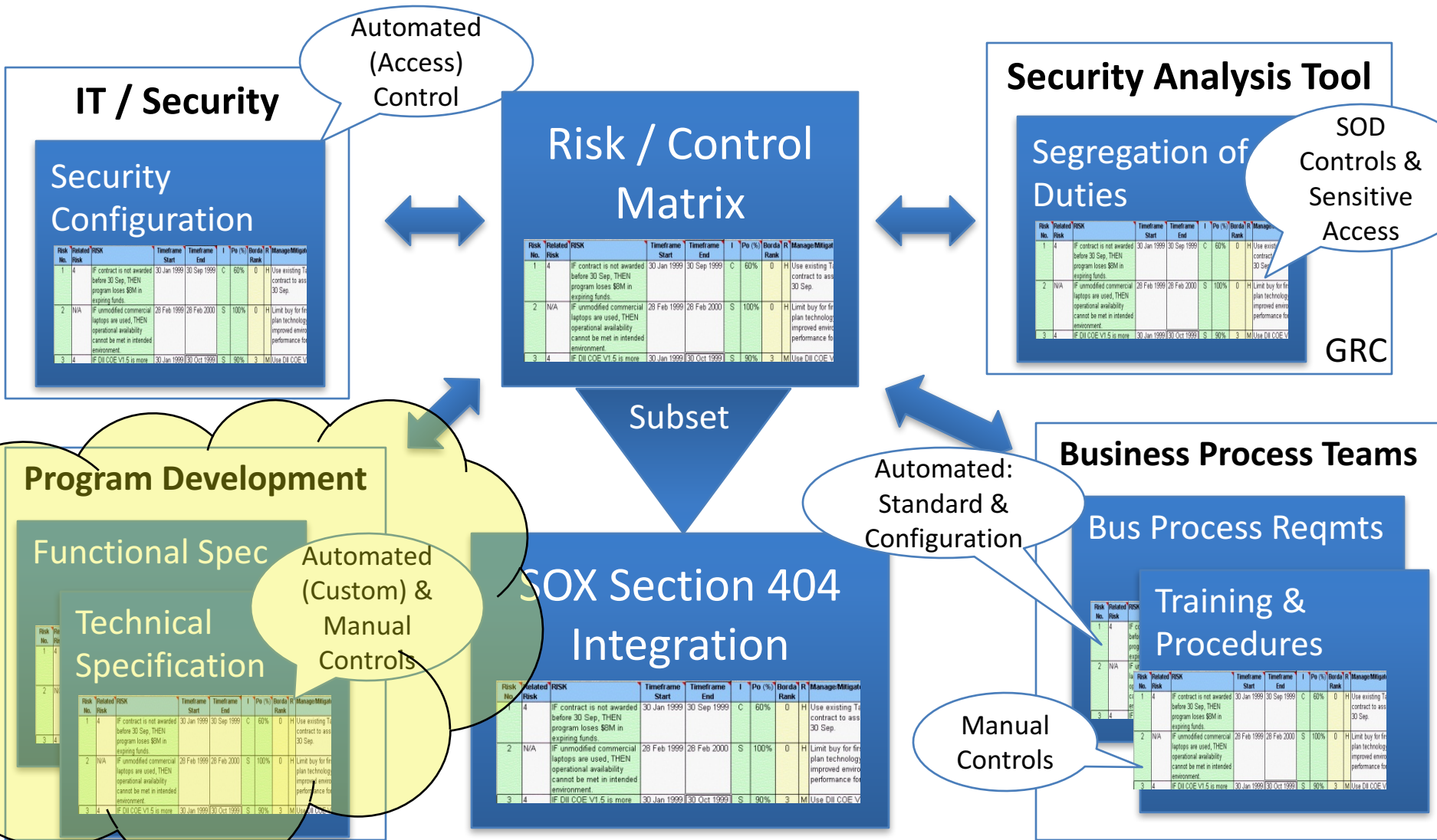


MIS 5121: Business Processes, ERP Systems & Controls
Week 12: *Systems Development 2: Data Dictionary, Program Security*



Controls: Integration Points

Risk/Control Matrix can serve as the primary vehicle for integrating control design into project activities and deliverables



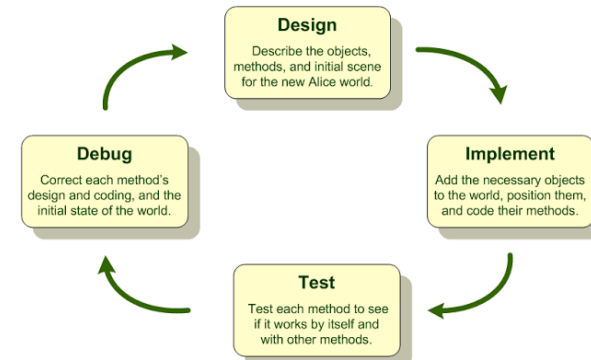
Key Information Technology Risks

- System Security
- Information Security Administration
- Data Migration
- Data Interface
- Instance Profile Security
- Change Management
- Transport Security
- Table Security
- **Data Dictionary, Program and Development Security**
- Logs and Traces
- Firefighter access
- Powerful User ID's and Profiles
- Background Processing (Batch vs. foreground: real-time)



Program & Development Security

- Types of Development Objects (FRICE)
 - ✧ Forms – outputs (invoices, Purchase orders, ...)
 - ✧ Reports – custom reports
 - ✧ Interfaces – SAP to other systems
 - ✧ Conversions – Data migration
 - ✧ Enhancements – Change system logic, use additional fields, etc.
 - User-Exits: defined SAP branches to custom code (lower risk)
 - Change SAP code (high risk, long term extra maintenance)
 - ✧ Workflow – non-config components, logic
- Development: custom programs
 - ✧ Typically ABAP (SAP SQL extension programming language)



Programs in SAP



- Transaction SE38 (Program Editor)
 - ✧ This program used when executing Create Sales Order transaction VA01

The screenshot shows the SAP SE38 Program Editor interface. At the top, there is a toolbar with various icons. Below the toolbar, the 'Program' field contains the text 'SAPMV45A' and is highlighted with a red border. To the right of the 'Program' field is a 'Create' button with a document icon. Below the 'Program' field is a 'Subobjects' section with a blue header. The 'Subobjects' section contains five radio buttons: 'Source Code' (selected), 'Variants', 'Attributes', 'Documentation', and 'Text elements'. At the bottom of the 'Subobjects' section, there are two buttons: 'Display' with a magnifying glass icon and 'Change' with a pencil icon.

ABAP Editor: Display Mod. Pool SAPMV45A



Mod. Pool

SAPMV45A

Active



```
INCLUDE MV45ATOP.
```

```
ENHANCEMENT-POINT SAPMV45A_03 SPOTS ES_SAPMV45A STATIC.
```

```
*$$-Start: SAPMV45A_03-----
```

```
ENHANCEMENT 2 ECO_HBS_SAPMV45A. "active version
```

```
*include for RE-SCM sales functions. also known as Home Building Soluion
```

```
INCLUDE DI_HBS_MV45AF01.
```

```
ENDENHANCEMENT.
```

```
*$$-End: SAPMV45A_03-----
```

```
*-----  
*      U S E R - E X I T S  
*      U S E R - E X I T S  
*      U S E R - E X I T S  
*-----
```

```
*      INCLUDE MV45ATZZ.           " Data definitions in MV45ATOP  
*      INCLUDE MV45A0ZZ.           " User-modules PBO  
*      INCLUDE MV45A1ZZ.           " User-modules PAI  
*      INCLUDE MV45AFZA.           " User-forms < 3.0  
*      INCLUDE MV45AFZB.           " User-forms  
*      INCLUDE MV45AFZC.           " User-forms < 3.0D  
*      INCLUDE MV45AFZD.           " User-forms 3.0E  
*      INCLUDE MV45AFZF.           " User-forms 3.0F  
*      include mv45afzg.           " User-forms 3.1G  
*      include mv45afzh.           " User-forms 4.6B  
*      INCLUDE MV45AFZZ.           " User-forms  
*      INCLUDE MV45AFZ4.           " User-forms 4.0
```

```
ENHANCEMENT-POINT SAPMV45A_01 SPOTS ES_SAPMV45A STATIC.
```

```
*$$-Start: SAPMV45A_01-----
```

```
ENHANCEMENT 1 /SAPMP/SALES_ORDER_V_SAPMV45A. "active version
```

```
*MILL 0008 01 TSCH Kundenauftragsversion
```

```
INCLUDE MILL_VS_MV45A. "item versioning
```

```
INCLUDE MILL_CAD_MV45A. "CAD interface
```



```
***INCLUDE MV45AFZH.
```

```
*****  
*  
* This include is reserved for user modifications *  
* Forms for sales document processing *  
* *  
*****
```

```
*-----*  
* FORM AUTHORIZATION_VALUE_SPLIT *  
*-----*
```

```
* This userexit can be used to split up the total authorization  
* value of sales order items with regard to invoices that will be  
* created from these items in the future.
```

```
* Order items/schedule lines are stored in the table  
* OPEN_VALUES. A grouping term, which can be set freely, must  
* be entered in the field OPEN_VALUE-ZUKRI. The authorization is  
* carried out separately for each grouping term!
```

```
* The program includes 2 examples. Please apply your own coding  
* if necessary:
```

- ```
* 1) an invoice simulation is used to find out in which order
* items/schedule lines will be invoiced in ONE billing
* document. The field OPEN_VALUES-ZUKRI contains the document
* number of the virtual invoice document (DA_XVBRP-VBELN).
* Please see application help: Sales and Distribution ->
* Billing -> The General Billing Interface, especially order
* type, order item category and invoice type. Please be aware
* that this simulation may temporarily affect system
* performance. This example employs order txpe TA, item
* category DIN and Invoice type EX. Please make sure that
```

# Programs in SAP – User Exit



```
* controlling parameter
* DA_EXAMPLE must be set with the number of the example
* = 1, if you want to have invoice simulation
* = 2, if you want to have special fields
*-----
FORM AUTHORIZATION_VALUE_SPLIT TABLES OPEN_VALUES STRUCTURE BEZS132.

DATA: DA_EXAMPLE(2) TYPE N VALUE 0.
DATA: DA_AUART LIKE VBAK-AUART VALUE 'TA'.
DATA: DA_FKART LIKE VBRK-FKART VALUE 'FX'.
DATA: DA_PSTYV LIKE VBAP-PSTYV VALUE 'DLN'.
DATA: DA_SUBRC LIKE SY-SUBRC.

IF DA_EXAMPLE EQ 1.
* first example: invoice simulation
 PERFORM AUTHORIZATION_VALUE_SPLIT1 TABLES OPEN_VALUES
 USING DA_AUART
 DA_FKART
 DA_PSTYV
 CHANGING DA_SUBRC.

 IF DA_SUBRC NE 0.
* message Inn "error in invoice simulation, no split of
* authorization value possible"
 ENDIF.

ELSEIF DA_EXAMPLE EQ 2.
* second example, for example shipping point
 PERFORM AUTHORIZATION_VALUE_SPLIT2 TABLES OPEN_VALUES.

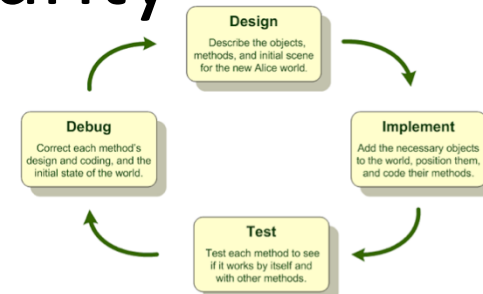
ENDIF.
ENDFORM.
```



# Program & Development Security

## ➤ Is program code 'good'

- ✧ Does what it's supposed to do
- ✧ Limited to requirements only (not branch off to perform other nefarious actions)
- ✧ Well-behaved: doesn't mess up other programs, logic, operation of ERP system

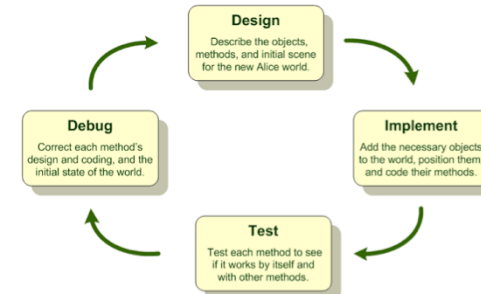


## ➤ Good Development Practices

- ✧ Clear, documented, approved requirements defined before coding
- ✧ Define Requirements, Design Logic before major coding (e.g. use of function modules for common logic)
- ✧ Peer Code Reviews
- ✧ Experienced development leadership
- ✧ Test, Test, retest **BEFORE** moving to PRD (strong change management governance)



# *Risk* and *Recommendation* Program Security



## *Risks:*

- Unintended, nefarious uses of program code
- Users capable of executing programs directly can compromise standard controls (access security, audit trails)
- Display access to ABAP code gives backdoor access to program execution
- Debug authority provides unsecured table viewing and table change

## *Recommendations:*

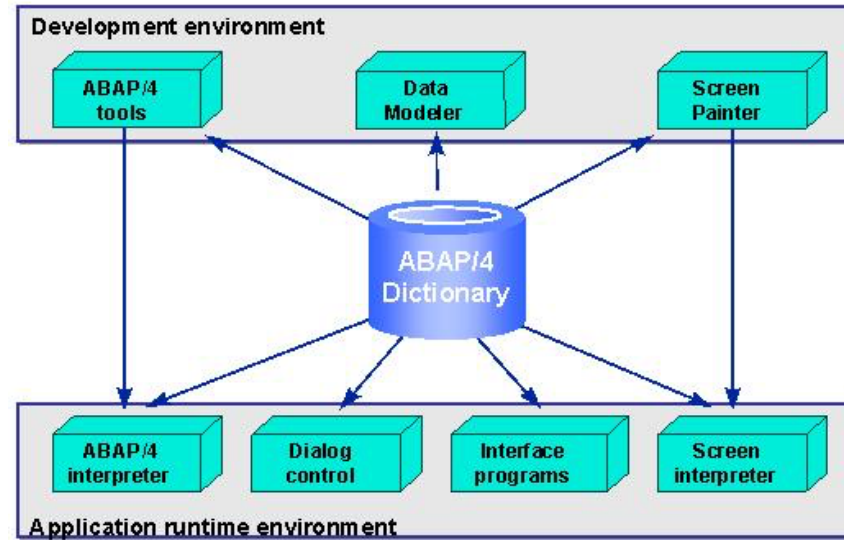
- Active review, manage program code details
- Access to run programs restricted via SAP Security / Authorizations
- Further secure programs via assignment to authorization groups
- Basis Admin no Display access to ABAP code (prevent backdoor access)
- Debug authority restricted to effectively monitored 'emergency users'



# Data Dictionary Security

## ➤ Central Catalogue of:

- ✧ Data definitions and descriptions
- ✧ Relationships between data elements / structures
- ✧ Relationships between data and use in programs and screens



## ➤ Control Concerns:

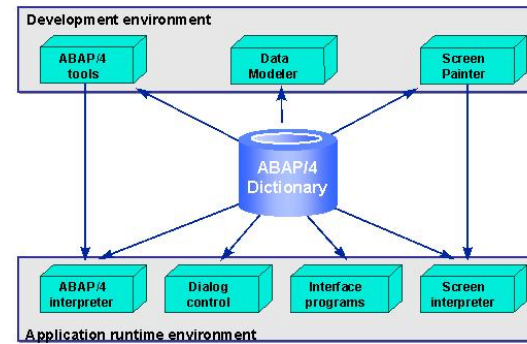
- ✧ Data Dictionary changes could affect the data integrity in system
- ✧ Access to make changes needs to be restricted to appropriate individuals
- ✧ S\_DEVELOP Authorization object controls access to create / maintain / delete ABAP dictionary & repository objects



## ➤ Also called ABAP/4 Dictionary in SAP

# *Risk and Recommendation*

## Data Dictionary



### ***Risks:***

- PRD Access to S\_DEVELOP Allows direct changes to Data Dictionary which could compromise integrity of the data
- Any Data Dictionary change could compromise integrity of the data

### ***Recommendations:***

- No one (including Basis Administrators) should have update access to Data Dictionary in Production (PRD)
- Changes to data dictionary performed in DEV, tested in QA and migrated to PRD per change management process
- Developer access restricted appropriately using SAP Security / authorization concept



# Key IT Controls Overview

- Program, Development, Data Dictionary
  - 2-3 risks that exist
  - Common control recommendations for each



# Extra Slides

# Information Security Administration

## ➤ Security Administration can be:

- ✧ Centralized
- ✧ Decentralized
- ✧ Hybrid of both

## ➤ Control Concerns:

- ✧ Segregate:
  - Role Development
  - User Administration (Assign Roles, change).
- ✧ Do not Develop / Change Roles directly in PRD
  - Develop and unit tested in DEV, integration tested in QA and migrated to PRD per change management process



# *Risk and Recommendation*

## Information Security Administration



### *Risks:*

- If User Administration access is not limited, higher risk of unauthorized and excessive access in SAP
- No Segregation of User Administration tasks, higher risk of inaccurate or unauthorized access assigned to users and profiles in SAP

### *Recommendations:*

- Define Owners of all SAP systems, clients and data or Processes
- System and Client Owners responsible for:
  - Approving all changes to their systems / clients
  - Authorizing overall access to the system
- Data / Process Owners responsible for:
  - Control of overall data / process components in the systems / clients
  - Authorizing specific access to data / processes within the PRD system
- Same people do not have access to create, maintain and assign roles
- Role Creation or maintenance not performed in PRD environment