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The recent speech of NATO's Secretary General about the Connected Forces Initiative stated clearly that the Alliance has to improve its ability to work together. As transformational authority, ACT will play a key role in achieving that, finding better arrangements for a common Consultation, Command and Control (C3) environment.

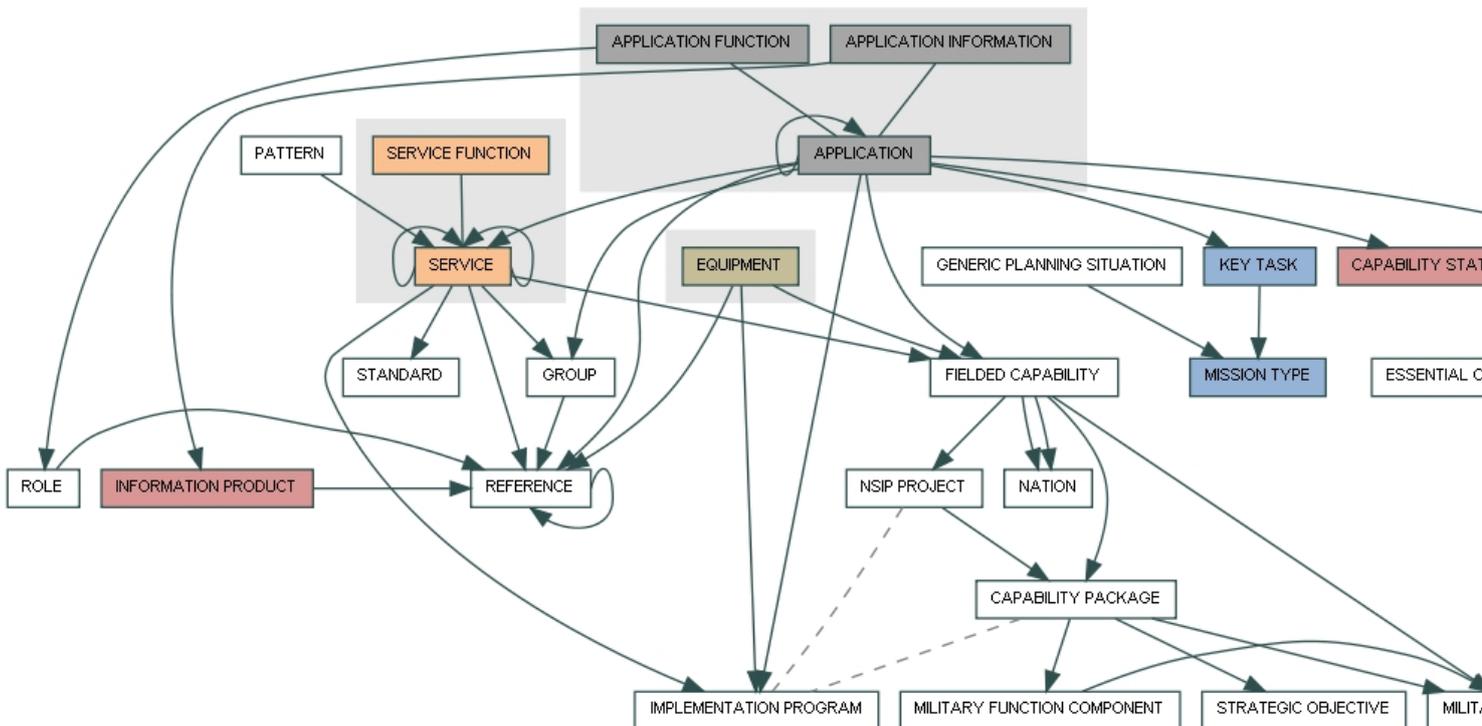
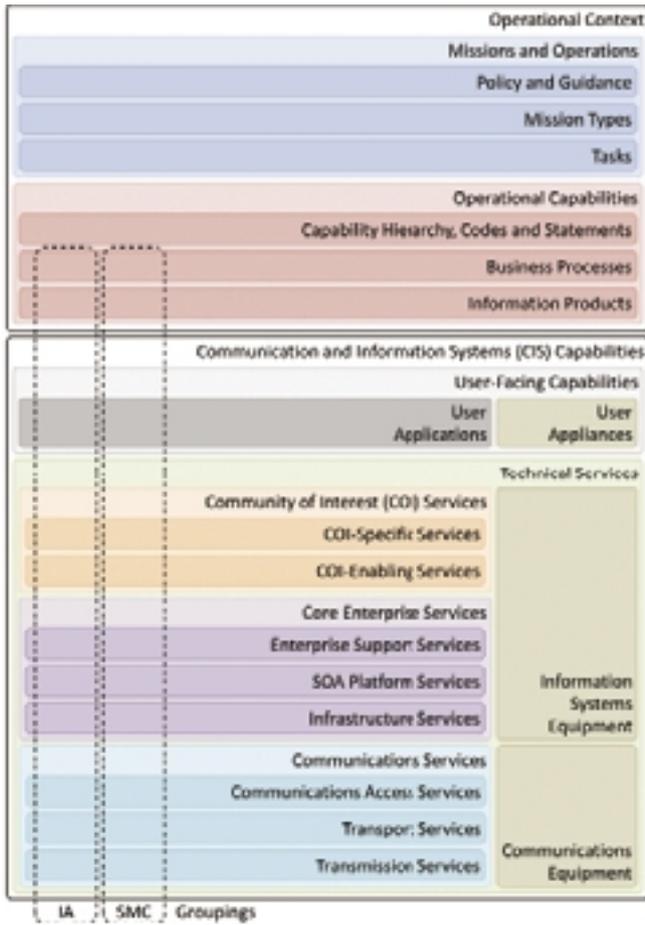
Transformation

In modern times, the description of an organisational structure within its strategic, economical, technical, and operational environment is a daunting task. Performing that task in NATO, an alliance governed by 28 nations, and to capture the requirements for communications and information systems in support of improved information sharing and decision making, that's a real challenge.

To understand the C3 needs and requirements, ACT needed to identify the elements of the C3 structure, and their relationships, and arrange them into a classification. This arrangement is known as taxonomy. It helps to understand the underlying fabric, and find opportunities for cost saving, and for a faster and smarter development of future solutions.

NATO C3 Classification Taxonomy (Expanded Version) - ACT

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