SAF User Documentation : P4_PIEX Physical Internal Exchange Viewpoint

Domain	Aspect	Maturity
Physical	Interaction & Collaboration	released

Example
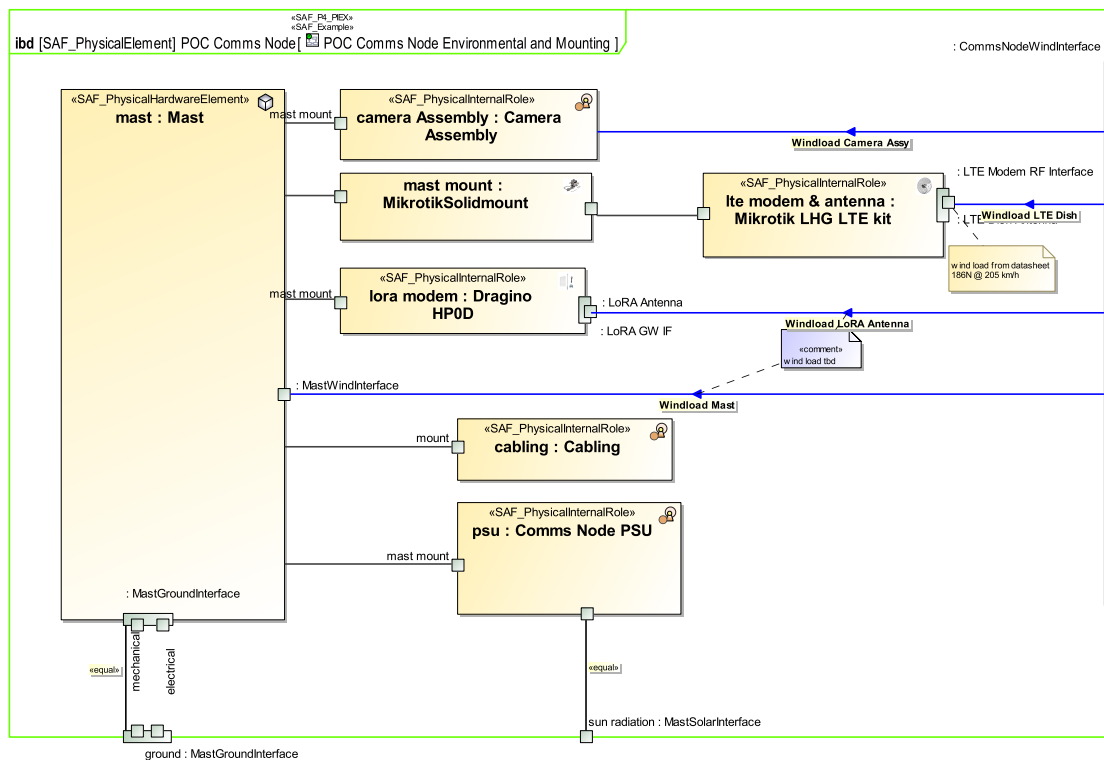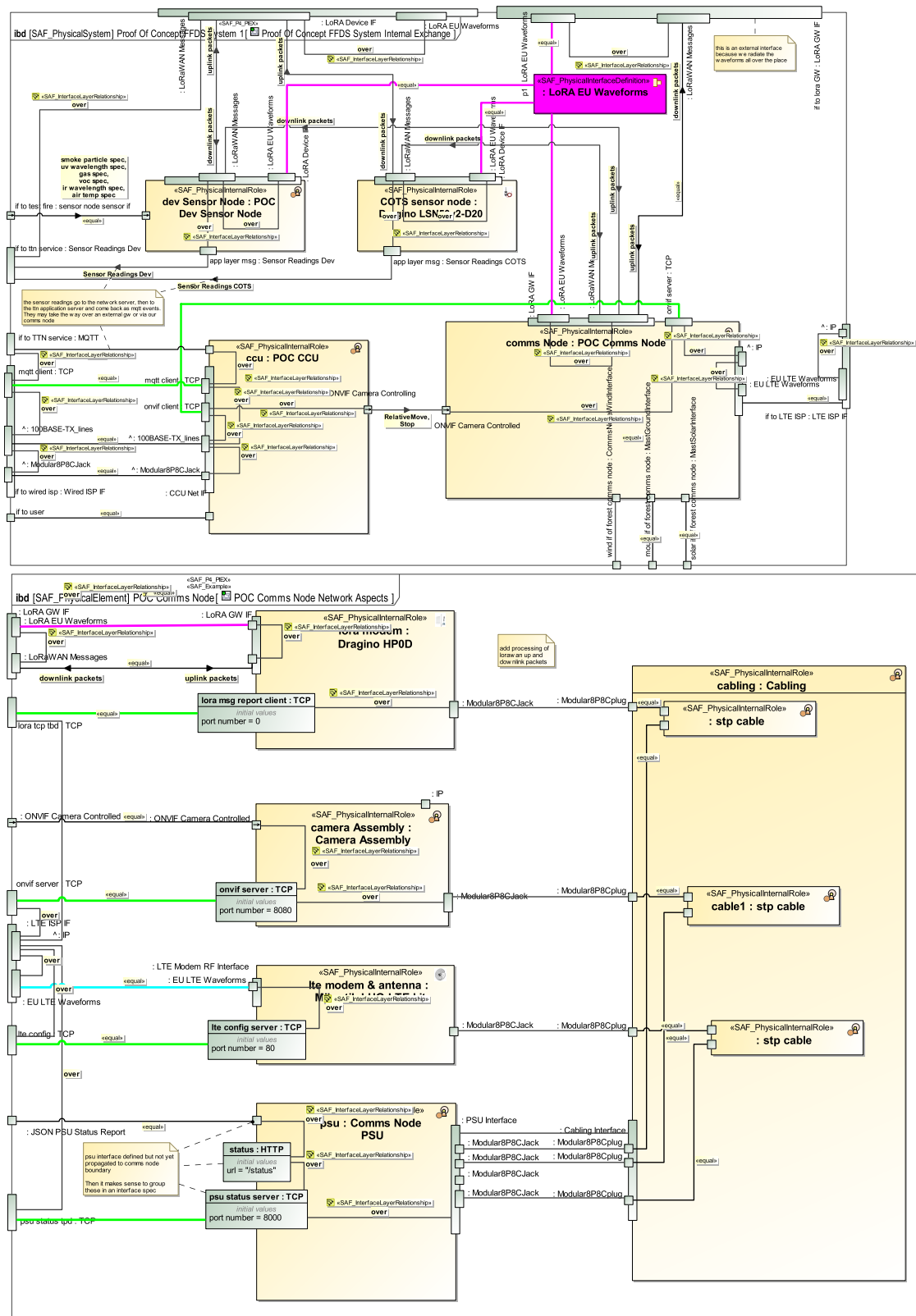
Purpose

The Physical Internal Exchange Viewpoint serves for the identification and definition of interfaces of elements of the physical system. also, the delegation of system element interfaces to the physical system boundary interfaces is covered. The Physical Internal Exchange Viewpoint

- identifies system element interfaces on a physical level
- states to which other physical elements the interfaces are connected to

- assigns physical interface definitions to interfaces
- defines the usage of interfaces, e.g., if only a subset of the interfaces is used
- defines the delegation of physical system element interfaces to physical system boundary interfaces

Applicability

The Physical Internal Exchange Viewpoint supports the "Design Definition Process" activities of the INCOSE SYSTEMS ENGINEERING HANDBOOK 2023 [§2.3.5.5] and contributes to the artifacts "System Design Description" and "System Interface Definition". It also supports the "Interface Management" method of the INCOSE SYSTEMS ENGINEERING HANDBOOK 2023 [§3.2.4].

Presentation

One or more IBDs featuring the SOI boundary, the physical elements of the SOI, as well as the connectors for each identified SOI interface delegation to physical SOI elements. An interface is a connection resource for hooking on the logical SOI elements to other logical SOI elements. Item flows are defined for each exchange on the identified interface. Note: Please use more than one IBD focused on different areas of interest to keep the view comprehensive.

Stakeholder

- Hardware Developer
- IV&V Engineer
- Mechanic Developer
- Safety Expert
- Security Expert
- Software Developer
- System Architect

Concern

- How do physical system elements interact to provide system functions?
- Which are the protocols for exchanging physical items on a specific interface?
- Which kind of physical items (energy, material, information, etc.) are used on an interface of a physical architecture element?
- Which physical items (energy, material, information, etc.) are exchanged within the system?
- Which standards, protocols, and format specifications apply to a physical interface?

Profile Model Reference

The following Stereotypes / Model Elements are used in the Viewpoint:

- Attribute "realizingConnector" of InformationFlow referencing Connector
- Connector [UML_Standard_Profile]

- FlowProperty [SysML Profile]
- FlowProperty contained in SAF_PhysicalInterfaceDefinition
- FlowProperty typed by SAF_PhysicalExchangeType
- ItemFlow [SysML Profile]
- ItemFlow typed by SAF_PhysicalExchangeType
- ProxyPort [SysML Profile]
- ProxyPort contained in SAF_PhysicalItem
- ProxyPort typed by SAF_PhysicalInterfaceDefinition
- SAF_InterfaceLayerRelationship
- SAF_P4_PIEX
- SAF_PhysicalElement
- SAF_PhysicalExchangeType
- SAF_PhysicalHardwareElement
- SAF_PhysicalInterfaceDefinition
- SAF_PhysicalSoftwareElement

Input from other Viewpoints

Required Viewpoints

- Physical Structure Definition Viewpoint

Recommended Viewpoints

none