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DMTF Profiles

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Agenda

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- Motivations for Profiles
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- A profile is a specification that defines the CIM model and associated behavior for a management domain.
 - The CIM model includes the CIM classes, associations, indications, methods and properties.
 - The management domain is a set of related management tasks.
 - A profile is uniquely identified by the name, owning organization name and version.



- A Profile provides a bridge between
 - A management domain (customer facing issues)
 - A CIM Schema (implementation issues)
- Customer facing Issues
 - Tasks (use cases)
 - Discovery of elements & their capabilities
 - Management functions
 - Health and Fault Management

- Implementation Issues
 - Classes
 - Methods
 - Indications
 - Error Messages



Motivations for Profiles

- Interoperability
 - CIM classes may be used in different management domains
 - Profile specification has requirements for classes in a particular domain
 - E.g., "in this profile, the members of a CIM_SystemSpecificCollection shall be CIM_DiskDrives"
 - A profile specification documents domain-specific requirements for methods, classes, properties, and indications
- Enables 3rd-party client introspection without prior knowledge of provider-side instrumentation



Profile Definition Status

DMTF DSP1001

Management Specification Profile Usage Guide Version 1.0.0f

- Currently in Company Review in the DMTF
- Target Publication Date as Preliminary Standard is December 2005
- All SMASH Profiles will be conformant
- Nickname is "PUG"
- The PUG defines rigorous content requirements for profiles



Profile Management Domains

- Autonomous and Component Profiles
 - An autonomous profile defines an autonomous and selfcontained management domain.
 - A component profile describes a subset of a management domain.
- A complete management domain is typically an autonomous profile and a referenced collection of component profiles.
 - In this case, the autonomous profile is referred to as the scoping profile.
 - Component to component and autonomous to autonomous profile references are also valid.
- Specialized and Abstract Profiles
 - A specialized profile is based on and constrains another profile specification.
 - An abstract profile specifies common elements and behavior that form the base for specialized profiles.

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Advertising Profile Compliance

- The "Profile Registration Profile"
 - Required as a referenced profile by all profiles.
 - Specifies 2 methodologies that an implementation can use to advertise profile compliance in the Interop namespace.
 - Central Class Methodology
 - Scoping Class Methodology (from SNIA Server Profile)
 - Defines the use of:
 - CIM_RegisteredProfile
 - CIM_ElementConformsToProfile
 - CIM_ReferencedProfile



DMTF Profile Divisions

- Mandatory Profile Specification Divisions
 - Synopsis
 - Description
 - Implementation Requirements
 - Methods
 - Use Cases
 - CIM Elements
- Optional Divisions
 - Front Matter defined by owning organization
 - For SMWG Profiles, Front Matter includes an Introduction section with subsections for:
 - Target Audience, Conventions, Normative References
 - Terms and Definitions, Symbols and Abbreviated Terms
 - Back Matter defined by owning organization
 - For SMWG Profiles, Back Matter includes Acknowlegements



Profile Synopsis Division

- This division starts with the profile's name, organization, and version number formatted as follows:
- **Profile name:** <profile name>
- Version: <version>
- **Organization:** <organization name>
- **CIM schema version:** <CIM schema version>
- Central Class: <CIM Class Name>
- Scoping Class: <CIM Class Name>



- The Description division describes the management domain implemented by this profile and provides an overview of the model.
- The Description division shall not include normative documentation.
- This division should describe how the classes of the profile relate to the management domain.



Profile Implementation Requirements Division

- The Implementation division shall contain requirements of the model that are not covered by other divisions (such as the Methods division) and guidelines related to implementation.
- The profile author may include requirements here and reference them from other divisions, and describe the relationship between the model and underlying instrumentation.



- The "Methods" division provides a list of methods supported by this profile – in other words, methods of the classes of the profile.
- Profile usage of both extrinsic methods and generic operations (for example intrinsic methods) are included.



Profiles Use Cases Division

- This division specifies use cases that demonstrate interesting behaviors or tasks provided by the profile.
 - The use cases may be presented as pseudocode or free-form text or both.
 - SMWG Profiles use SNIA SMIRL pseudo-code.
 - The use cases should include tasks that change the CIM elements or change the behavior of the instrumentation managed through the profile.



Profile CIM Elements Division

- This division consists of:
 - An overview subclause consisting of a table listing the profile's classes, indications, and queries.
 - A subclause for each class including a short description of the class and a table including the profile's use of properties and methods



Profile Content Definitions

- Class and Object (Instance) Diagrams
 - Specific rules for diagram construction
- Property Value Definitions
 - Regular Expression requirements for values
- Method Definitions
 - Extrinsic and Intrinsic method definitions are required
 - Parameter, Message, and Behavioral description formats are specified
- Mandatory, Conditional, or Optional "Requirement"
 - Definitions are required for all classes, methods, properties and referenced profiles
- Conditional requirements are specified in terms of CIM elements
 - Another profile
 - Capabilities property
 - Existence of a singleton (e.g. Service class)

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End Of Presentation

- Questions?
- Comments?
- Thanks!