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1 network SERVICE
2 |
3 |--POLICY
4 |   |--name attribute
5 |   |--NF-FGname attribute
6 |   |--PolicyKind (REACHABILITY|TRAVERSAL)
7 |   |--ReachabilityPolicy
8 |   |   |--SRCnode
9 |   |   |--DSTnode
10 |   |--TraversalPolicy
11 |   |   |--SRCnode
12 |   |   |--DSTnode
13 |   |   |--TraversedFunctionalType
14 |   |
15 |   |-- policyLogic (Positive|Negative)
16 |   |--VerificationResult
17 |       |--resultMsg
18 |       |--verificationTime
19 |       |--result (SATISFIED | NOTSATISFIED | UNVERIFIED)
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22 |---NF-FG * element
23     |--name attribute (ID)
24     |--updateTime attribute
25     |--Node * element
26         |--name attribute (ID)
27         |--
28         FunctionalType(FW,DPI,NAT,SPAM,CACHE,VPN,WEB_SERVER,WEB_CLIENT,MAIL
29         _SERVER,MAIL_CLIENT) attr.
30         |--Link element
31             |--name attribute (ID)
32             |--source attribute (IDREF)
33             |--destination attribute (IDREF)
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35 5 | The SERVICE PROVIDER provide services (from 0 to infinite)
36     described by NF-FGs and verify the correctness
37     of the service through policies (from 0 to infinite) so in the
38     schema has been chosen to have a root element
39     called network_services wich implementation contains the
40     sequence of possible nffgs and policies about these
41     nffgs.Nffgs and policies model descriptions are icluded
42     respectively in nf_fgType and Policy complexTypes

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40 53 | Each Nffg (graph) is made of at least 1 node element (the  
multiplicity is indicated in the schema by a sequence of node  
elements  
41 while the declaration of node is done in nodeType element  
of the schema)  
42 and is characterized by a mandatory name (use=required) and  
the last updateTime (or creationTime)  
43 of the graph itself implemented by the simple built-in  
dateTime type (use=required too [update or creation]).  
44 A node name must to be unique inside the nffg-> this  
specification is respected by introducing  
45 the key=id\_node right inside the scope of the nf\_fg  
element(row 10).  
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47 67 | Each node has a mandatory name(use=required see above) and has  
a function  
48 inside the network which is represented by one of the strings  
listed in the enumeration defined  
49 in the functionType declaration at row 77 (restriction of a  
simple type).  
50 I chose to use enumeration attribute because it is the type  
that is better adapted to the specifics;  
51 furthermore each node is connected via links to 0 or more  
nodes, this is the reason why the node element  
52 contains a sequence of link elements( defined at row 94 in  
linkTypeRef).  
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54 94 | each link is an empty model complexType (this is the reason  
why it figure an empty sequence in the definition);  
55 it contains only attributes that characterize the link itself  
infact a link is characterized by  
56 a unique name that is mandatory to identify the  
node(use=required) and mandatorily  
57 by a source and a destination Node without which it would not  
exist.  
58 To avoid redundancy of data they are only referencies to real  
node elements; this is done  
59 by usign the keyref schema constructs at rows 41 and 46 of  
the xsd file.  
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61 The name of the link has to be unique inside the whole nffg;  
this specification is respected by introducing  
62 the unique=id\_node construct right inside the scope of the

nf\_fg element(row 14) just like the id\_node above.

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64 104 | A policy could be a reachability policy or a traversal policy  
and its result is stored inside

65 a verificationResult element. Just because both  
reachability that traversal share the same attributes,

66 these are defined inside the generic policy element and  
only if is a traversal policy it will contain

67 the sequence of functionType (belonging to the nodes)  
crossed by the source to the destination.

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69 113 | A policy is characterized by a mandatory unique name like the  
other entities in the service provider system

70 and it refers mandatorily to an exsisting graph (the string  
nffg\_ref is defined as a keyref to a id\_nffg in the schema).

71 The specification about the uniqueness of the policy's name  
is respected introducing a key in the scope of

72 the root element(each policy in the network\_services  
element must have a unique name - row 36)

73 The kind of logic about the policy is described by an  
enumeration type(policyLogicType) that is mandatory because

74 cannot exists a policy without this  
description(use=required).

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76 Policies need a source and a destination Node.

77 Just like for the links, to avoid redundancy of data they  
are defined in the complexType as strings

78 but they are just referencies to real node elements;

79 this is done by usign the keyref schema constructs at rows  
41 and 46 of the xsd file.

80 Furthermore each policy has to describe the result of its  
verification and this is done by a verificationResult

81 element defined in verificationresultType at row 127 as a  
sequence of 2 elements(resultMessage and result)

82 and the attribute verificationTime(optional in the case the  
policy has not been verified

83 ->verificationResult is present anyway but with some field  
absent or in some particular state)

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85 127 | verificationResult is defined by the verificationTime  
attribute that is a

86 simple dateTime schema type and indicate the time of the  
last verification of the policy who belongs to.

87 The content model is completed

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88         -verResult instead has to be mandatorily one of these
      strings: SATISFIED or VIOLATED accordingly the rules
89         if the policy has been verified, or NOT-YET-VERIFIED if
      not.
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