

AADL Interface Composition

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Composition of Interfaces

Objectives

- Composition of features and properties into a component type (interface)
- Named interfaces as single connection point
- Composition rules for features, modes, flows, annexes
- Declaration of composed interface or implementation supporting multiple interfaces

Approach

- Component interface (type) declaration with *interface* keyword and optional component category
- Allow multiple component interfaces as part of extends
- Composition rules align with current extends rules
 - Local addition of elements in extension
- Named interface instances
 - Multiple instances of same interface
- Interfaces as views
 - Elements with same name are ok (must represent same element)

Composition of Interfaces

Features accessible directly within namespace of component

- Externally: connections identify subcomponent and feature (V2)
- Internally: connections identify feature (V2)

```
interface Logical
```

```
Features
```

```
temperature: out data port;
```

```
Speed: out data port;
```

```
End Logical;
```

```
interface Physical
```

```
Features
```

```
Network: requires bus access CANBus;
```

```
End Physical;
```

```
interface s1 extends Logical
```

```
Features
```

```
Onemore: out event port;
```

```
End s1;
```

```
interface s2 extends Logical, Physical
```

```
End s2;
```

```
interface s3 extends Logical, Physical
```

```
Features
```

```
Onemore: out event port;
```

```
End s3;
```

V2: Locally added feature cannot conflict with a “Logical” feature

V3: Feature from Logical and Physical cannot be in conflict

V3: Locally added feature name cannot exist as name of Interfaces features

Composition of Directional Interfaces

Interfaces with directional features may be included as original direction or as inverse direction for component at the other end of a connection

- This is the inverse of from feature groups

```
System interface Sender extends Logical, Physical  
End sender;
```

```
System interface Receiver extends reverse Logical, Physical  
End receiver;
```

Composition of Named Interfaces

Objective: Handle multiple instance of same interface, e.g., voter taking input from multiple instances of same subsystem

- Individual features qualified by interface instance name
- Internally: interfaceinstancename . Featurename
- Externally: subcomponentname . interfaceinstancename . Featurename
- Connections between named interfaces

```
System interface sif1
```

```
features
```

```
    IFlog: interface Logical;
```

```
    IFphys: interface Physical;
```

```
End;
```

```
System interface voter
```

```
features
```

```
Source1: interface reverse Logical;
```

```
Source2: interface reverse Logical;
```

```
End;
```

```
System Top_impl
```

```
Subcomponents
```

```
Sub1: system sif1;
```

```
Sub2: system sif1;
```

```
Voter: system voter;
```

```
Connections
```

```
Conn1: Sub1.IFlog -> Voter.Source1 ;
```

```
Conn2: Sub2.IFlog.temperature -> Voter.Source2.temperature ;
```

Connections between named interfaces (aka feature group connections) or between features in an interface (reach down)

Composition of Named Interfaces

Objective: Handle interfaces with independent features with same name

Device Logical1

temperature: out data port;

Speed: out data port;

End;

Abstract Logical2

temperature: out data port;

weight: out data port;

End;

System sys2

features

L1: ~~feature group~~ Logical1;

L2: **feature group** Logical2

End sys2;

System sys2_i1 **implements** sys2

Subcomponents

sub1: **system** sub;

Connections

conn1: sub1.outp -> L1.temperature;

conn2: sub1.outp -> L2.temperature;

End;

System sys2_i2 **implements** sys2

Subcomponents

sub1: **system** sub;

sub2: **system** sub;

Connections

conn1: sub1.outp -> L1.temperature;

conn2: sub2.outp -> L2.temperature;

End;

In the implementation the connection declarations specify that the same sub1 output is mapped into a port in two different interfaces. These may be ports with the same name, or ports with different names.

L1.temperature and L2.temperature may receive output from two different internal sources.

Different output to different interfaces

Nested Interfaces

Works for composition of named interface instances

- Nested name scopes
- Effectively we have nested feature groups
- Deprecate feature groups in V3

```
Interface composite  
features  
  L1: interface Logical1;  
  PF: interface Physical;  
End composite ;
```

```
System Top  
features  
  FG: interface composite;  
  L2: interface Logical2;  
End top;
```

All features in single namespace

Unnamed interfaces share a name space (no nested name space)

```
Interface composite extends Logical1, Physical  
End composite ;
```

```
System Top extends composite, Logical2  
End top;
```

Name conflict between Logical1 and Logical2
feature temperature

Subcomponent Refers to Interface

Substitution of any component that is an extension of interface type

```
System mysys extends Logical, Physical
End mysys;
```

```
System mysys1
Features
  L1: interface Logical
End mysys1;
```

```
System top_i
Subcomponents
  sub1: system Logical;
  sub2: system Logical;
Connections
  conn1: sub1.outp -> sub2.inp;
End top_i;
```

```
System top2_i extends top_i
Subcomponents
  sub1 => mysys;
  sub2 => mysys1.L1;
End top2_i;
```

Configure in a component that implements the interface

**Configure in a component with a named interface that matches.
Connections to subcomponent actually go to named interface.**

Composition of Interface Property values

Interface property values are inherited by the component

```
Interface Logical
features
temperature: out data port;
Speed: out data port;
Properties
#Author=> "peter";
Speed#Rate => 5 mpd;
End Logical;
```

Component level property value

Feature level property value

```
Interface Physical
Network: requires bus access CANBus;
Properties
#Author => "peter";
End Physical;
```

```
System s2 implements Logical, Physical
End s2;
```

```
System s3 implements Logical, Physical
properties
#Author=> "paul";
End s3;
```

Same property from two interfaces
must have same value

Can override property locally.
Can be used to resolve
conflict of inherited values.

Composition of Interface Property Values - 2

Named interface composition

- Component level property values apply to component, not the named interface name space

```
Interface Logical
```

```
features
```

```
temperature: out data port;
```

```
Speed: out data port;
```

```
Properties
```

```
Myname => "peter";
```

```
End Logical;
```

Component level property value

```
Interface Physical
```

```
Network: requires bus access CANBus;
```

```
Properties
```

```
Hisname => "peter";
```

```
End Physical;
```

```
System s2
```

```
Features
```

```
L1: Interface Logical;
```

```
P1: Interface Physical;
```

```
End s2;
```

Myname and Hisname
are s2 properties

Composition of Flows

Same rules as V2 extends

Flows in interfaces are only with respect to its features

The composite component may add flow specification for flows between features in different interfaces

```
Interface Logical
temperature: out data port;
Speed: out data port;
flows
  temp: flow source temperature;
End Logical;

System s2 implements Logical, Physical
flows
  spd: flow source speed;
End s2;
```

Can add flows for inherited features
as was possible in V2

Composition of Modes

Only one source (same as **extends** of single classifier)

- Local additions as in V2
 - current std allows adding states in type extensions

Annex Composition

Configuration of annex specifications into an AADL model

- See configuration discussion

Composition of annexes from different interfaces

- Follow annex rules for annex extension
 - Addition and override in extension
- Same name in two interfaces
 - Not allowed
 - Same specification

Interfaces as Views

Features may show up in multiple interfaces

- Some features may be available in both an “admin” and an “operational” view

```
Interface Functional
```

```
features
```

```
temperature: out data port;
```

```
Speed: out data port;
```

```
Reset: in event port;
```

```
End;
```

```
Interface Admin
```

```
features
```

```
Status: out data port;
```

```
Reset: in event port;
```

```
Shutdown: in event port;
```

```
End;
```

```
System full extends Functional, Admin
```

```
End;
```

```
System overlap extends Functional, Functional
```

```
End;
```

**V3: Matching features from Logical and Admin
represent same feature**

Matching name, category and classifier (if present)

Matching property values

Features differ in the classifier

- no classifier to classifier => must provide classifier.
- Allow classifier extension => must provide extension.

Views traditionally represent subsets of existing entities.

Here we are composing overlapping views.

Should view be a separate concept? Do we need it?

Are named interfaces sufficient?

Should users indicate that the overlap is intentional?

Feature Refinement & Named Interfaces

Local refinement of inherited features in named interfaces

```
Interface Logical  
  temperature: out data port;  
  Speed: out data port;  
End Logical;
```

```
System mysys extends Logical  
Features  
  temperature: refined to out data port TemperatureData;  
End;
```

```
System mysys1  
Features  
  L1: Interface Logical{  
    temperature => TemperatureData;  
  };  
End;
```

Configuration syntax

Refinement of Composite Interface

Use of refined interface in composition

Interface Logical1 **extends** Logical

Features

temperature: **refined to out data port** TemperatureData;

End Logical1;

System mysys **implements** Logical, Physical

End mysys;

System mysys2a **implements** Logical1, Physical

-- no extends trace to mysys

End mysys2;

Composition with refined interface without traceability to mysys, thus implementation has to be repeated

System mysys2b **extends** mysys **implements** Logical1, Physical

End mysys2;

Interfaces override

System mysys2b **extends** mysys **implements** Logical => Logical1

End mysys2;

Interfaces inherited

System mysys1typeda **extends** mysys1

End mysys1typeda ;

System mysys1typedb **extends** mysys1

Features

l1: **interface refined to** Logical1;

End mysys1typedb ;

Refinement of named interface

Interface Equivalence Mapping

Support for composition of independently developed subsystems or subsystem with different nested interface hierarchies

- Inline mappings (reach down multiple nesting levels)

```
Conn1: sub1.lfea1.fea2 -> sub2.rfea1;
```

```
Conn2: sub1.lfea1.fea3 -> sub2.rfea2.fea11;
```

```
Conn3: sub2.rfea2.fea12 -> sub1.lfea1.fea4;
```

Needs to be repeated for each pair of subcomponent instances

- Reusable equivalence mapping

```
map1: mapping ComponentType1 == ComponentType2 as  
lfea1.fea2 == rfea1;  
lfea1.fea3 == rfea2.fea11  
end mapping ;
```

Name mapping between name scope hierarchies

Direction is inferred from connection declaration and feature direction.

```
Connx: sub1 -> sub2 mapping pckx::map1;
```

Is reusable mapping needed?