# **AADL Interface** Composition

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## **Composition of Interfaces**

#### **Objectives**

- Definition of component interfaces by
  - Feature, flow, mode declarations and property associations
  - Extension of component interfaces through additional declarations in extension
  - Definition of component interfaces from previously defined composable interfaces
- Named interfaces as connection point

#### Approach

- Component interface 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 replaces feature group concept in V2

## Interfaces and Component Categories

#### Component interface

- <category> and interface keyword
  - has implementations
  - referenced in subcomponent
  - Can be extended
- Interface keyword without category (composable interface)
  - Usage in interface composition
    - Content must be consistent with target category

```
interface sub
features
    name : in feature person ;
    surname : in feature person ;
end ;
process interface subsub
features
    p1 : port date ;
    p2 : port date ;
end ;
```

#### Interface Extension

#### Addition of features, flows, properties

#### Local refinement of inherited features in named interfaces

- Assign type when absent (primitive type or classifier)
- Override existing type with
  - Type extension
  - Any type

Refinement via configuration only?

#### Extension and categories

- Defining interface and extended interface(s) must have same category or no category
- Extended interface can be an interface without category

```
Interface Logical
 Temperature: out data port;
AirPressure: out data port;
End Logical;
System interface mysys extends Logical
is
 Speed: out data port;
 Temperature => TemperatureData;
End;
System interface mysys1
 L1: Interface Logical {
    Temperature => TemperatureData;
 Speed: out data port;
End;
```

### **Composition of Interfaces**

#### Inherited content from multiple interfaces

Cannot be in conflict (same as for local definitions)

```
interface Logical
is
temperature: out data port;
                                      Right: at most one with category and others composable
Speed: out data port;
End Logical;
interface Physical
is
Network: requires bus access CANBus;
End Physical;
interface s1 extends Logical
                                              V2: Locally added feature cannot conflict with a
Onemore: out event port;
                                                     feature inherited from Logical
End s1;
interface s2 extends Logical, Physical
                                               V3: Feature from Logical and Physical cannot
End s2;
                                                             be in conflict
interface s3 extends Logical, Physical
is
Onemore: out event port;
                                            V3: Locally added feature cannot conflict with
End s3;
                                            inherited 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;

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

#### **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
    IFlog: interface Logical;
    IFphys: interface Physical;
End;
System interface voter
Sourcel: interface reverse Logical;
Source2: interface reverse Logical;
End;
System Top.impl is
Sub1: system sif1;
Sub2: system sif1;
Voter: system voter;
```

**Directionality of arrow on named interface:** Bi-directional arrow for interface connection. Connections between directional features must be directional. Directional connection on bi-directional interface: no.

Connections between named interfaces (V2 feature group connections) or between features in an interface (reach down V2.2)

```
Conn1: connection Sub1.IFlog <-> Voter.Source1 ;
Conn2: connection Sub2.IFlog.temperature -> Voter.Source2.temperature ;
End;
```

#### **Use of Named Interfaces**

Example of mapping output to ports in different named interfaces

```
Device sensor is
temperature: out data port;
Speed: out data port;
End;
System sys2
is
  L1: interface Logical;
  L2: interface Logical;
                                     sub1 output is mapped into a port in two different
End sys2;
                                     interfaces. These may be ports with the same name,
                                     or ports with different names.
System sys2.i1 is
  sub1: device sensor;
  conn1: sub1.temperature -> L1.temperature;
  conn2: sub1.temperature -> L2.temperature;
End;
System sys2.i2 is
 sub1: device sensor;
 sub2: device sensor;
  conn1: sub1.temperature -> L1.temperature;
  conn2: sub2.temperature -> L2.temperature;
End;
```

Output from different sources to different interfaces. L1.temperature and L2.temperature receive different output.

## **Use as Aggregate Port**

Interface elements interpreted as elements of aggregate data

```
Device sensor is
temperature: out data port;
Speed: out data port;
End;

System sys2
is
    L1: out aggregate Logical;
End sys2;

System sys2.i1 is
    sub1: device sensor;
    conn1: sub1.speed -> L1.speed;
    conn2: sub1.temperature -> L1.temperature;
End;
```

#### **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 is
 L1: interface Logical1;
 PF: interface Physical;
End;
System interface Top is
  FG: interface composite;
 L2: interface Logical2;
End;
```

All features in single namespace

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

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

- Only in implementation extensions
- Allow multiple interfaces on right hand side?

```
System interface Sensor extends Logical, Physical
End;
System interface Actuator extends reverse Logical, Physical
End;
System Actuator.impl
End;
System top.i is
  sub1: system Logical;
  sub2: system reverse Logical;
  conn1: sub1.temperature -> sub2.temperature;
End;
System top2.i extends top.i
is
  sub1 => Sensor;
  sub2 => Actuator.impl;
<connections to additional features>
End;
```

Configure in a component that supports the interface plus more

## Composition of Interface Property values

Interface property values are inherited by the component

```
Interface Logical is
temperature: out data port;
Speed: out data port;
#Author=> "peter";
                           Component level property value
Speed#Rate => 5 mpd;
                                 Feature level property value
End;
Interface Physical is
Network: requires bus access CANBus;
#Author => "peter";
End;
                                            One inherited assignment only: Yes
System s2 extends Logical, Physical
                                             Multiple inherited assignments of
End;
                                                     same value: No
System s3 extends Logical, Physical is
                                             Can override property locally
#Author=> "paul";
                                             unless declared as "final".
End;
```

Does it make sense to have component level properties in composable interfaces?

## Composition of Interface Property Values - 2

#### Named interface composition

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

```
Interface Logical is
temperature: out data port;
Speed: out data port;
#Myname => "peter";
                                   Component level property value
End;
Interface Physical is
Network: requires bus access CANBus;
Properties
#Hisname => "peter";
End;
System s2 is
 L1: Interface Logical;
                                    Myname and Hisname are s2
 P1: Interface Physical;
                                properties, not L1 and P1 properties.
End s2;
```

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## **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

- Same Annex notation in two interfaces
  - Not allowed
- Local addition of annex
  - Follow annex rules for annex extension

## **Feature Name Mapping for Connections**

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

Inline mappings (reach down multiple interface 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? Alternative: use name mapping in a feature mapping (up/down) as a wrapper.