





LandNetwork



An aerial photograph of a mountainous region. A winding road or path cuts through the green, hilly terrain. A line of wind turbines is visible, stretching across the middle of the image. The text 'INTERLIS Training' is overlaid in large, white, sans-serif font.

# INTERLIS Training

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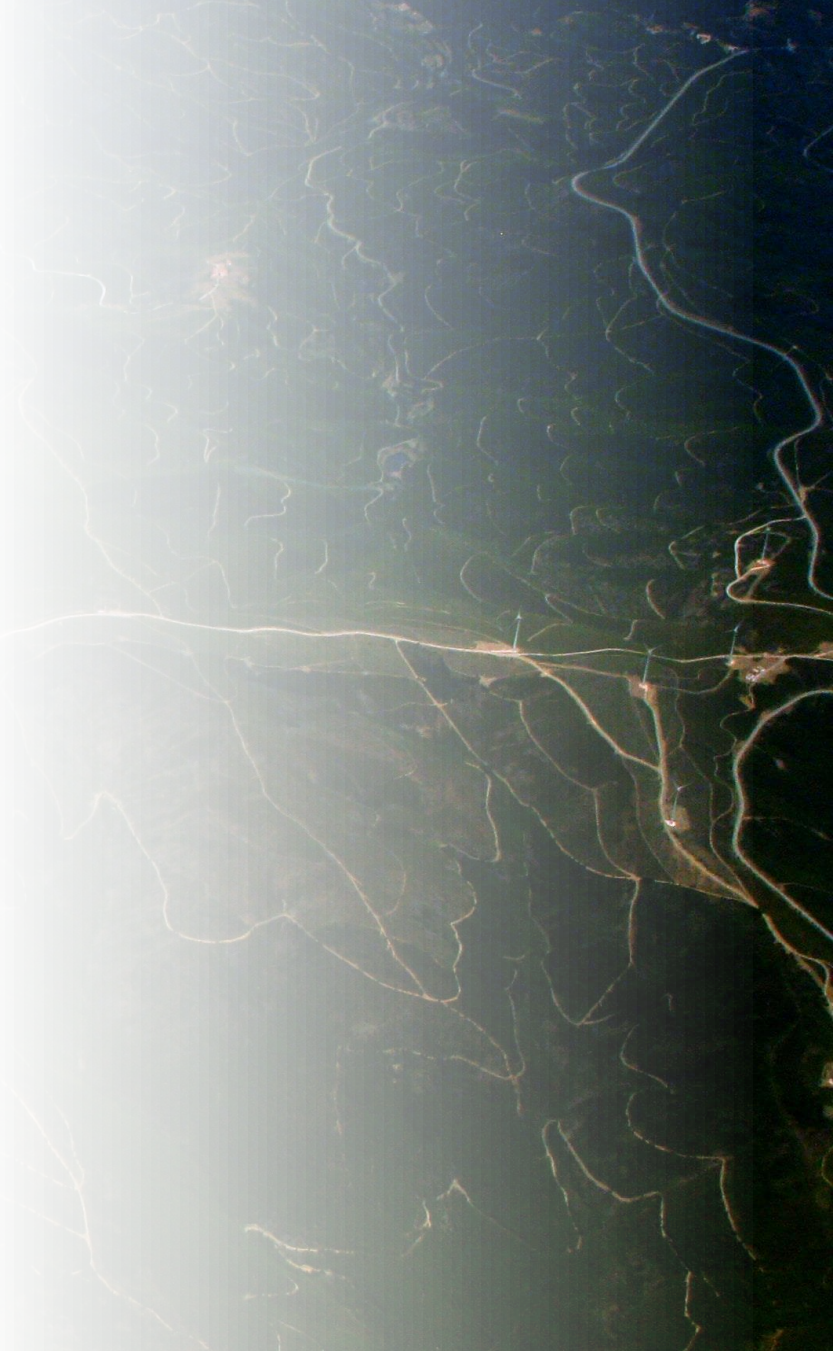
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  - Classes
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  - Extension / inheritance
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  - Domains
  - Associations
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# Course Resources



## Tools

- Text Editor: Notepad ++ (Recommended)
- QGis 3.16 +
- PostgreSQL 9.6 or upper + PostGIS 2.3 or upper
- Java VM (JRE 1.6 or upper)

## Reference:

[https://www.interlis.ch/download/interlis2/ili2-refman\\_2006-04-13\\_e.pdf](https://www.interlis.ch/download/interlis2/ili2-refman_2006-04-13_e.pdf)

<https://drive.infomaniak.com/app/share/189474/c1d19a50-43c8-4b34-b238-d4f7814f37c7>

# What is INTERLIS?

**INTER** Land Information Systems

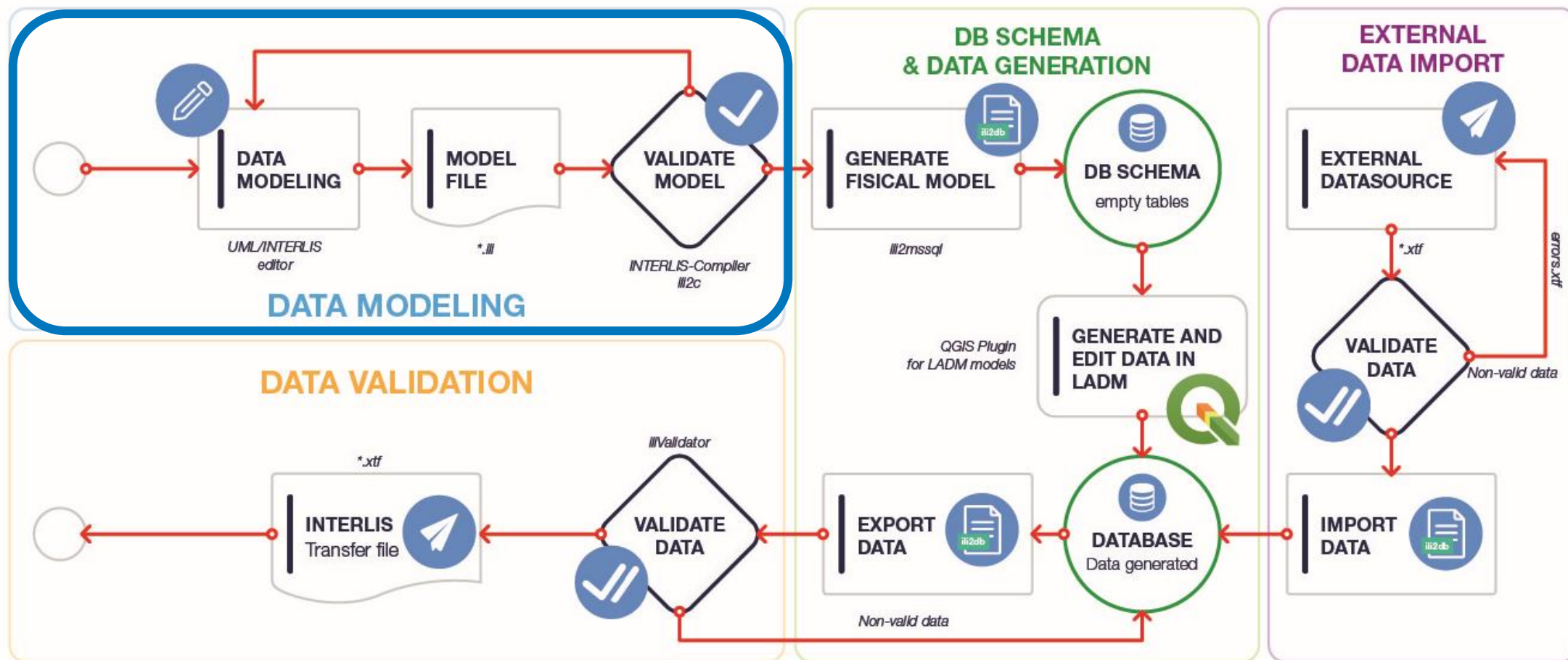
## **Conceptual schema language (.ili)**

- A very precise standardized language at a conceptual level for the description of data models (schemas)
- System neutral (platform independent)
- Facilitates communication and understanding between IT and thematic specialists
- It is readable by both humans and machines
- Integrates different data types to be used on GIS (for example Geometries)

## **Data Transfer format (.itf/.xtf)**

- The format (ITF or XTF) its derivated from the data model, through standardized rules
- Strict division between the transfer part and the modeling part (model driven approach)

# Typical INTERLIS implementation Workflow



Mejía et al., 2017



# General structure of an INTERLIS File

```
INTERLIS 2.3;  
MODEL MyModel (es)  
AT "mailto:Fabian@localhost"  
VERSION "2021-06-16" =  
  UNIT  
    CHF EXTENDS INTERLIS.MONEY;  
  DOMAIN  
    someDomain = TEXT*40;  
  TOPIC MyTopic =  
    DOMAIN  
      localDomain = TEXT*40;  
    CLASS TheClass =  
      AnAttribute : someDomain;  
    END TheClass;  
  END MyTopic;  
END MyModel.
```

## Interlis description file .ili

### Model 1

Domain, units, functions

#### Topics

Classes, Structures, Associations,  
Domains and Constraints

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### Model 2



# Reserved Keywords

ABSTRACT	ACCORDING	AGGREGATES	AGGREGATION	LNBASE	LOCAL	MANDATORY	METAOBJECT
ALL	AND	ANY	ANYCLASS	MODEL	MTEXT	MULTIAREA	MULTICOORD
ANYSTRUCTURE	ARCS	AREA	AS	MULTIPOLYLINE	MULTISURFACE	NAME	NO
ASSOCIATION	AT	ATTRIBUTE	ATTRIBUTES	NOINCREMENTALTRANSFER	NOT	NULL	NUMERIC
BAG	BASE	BASED	BASKET	OBJECT	OBJECTS	OF	OID
BINARY	BLACKBOX	<i>BLANK</i>	BOOLEAN	ON	<i>OPTIONAL</i>	OR	ORDERED
BY	CARDINALITY	CHARSET	CIRCULAR	OTHERS	OVERLAPS	PARAMETER	PARENT
CLASS	CLOCKWISE	<i>CODE</i>	CONSTRAINT	<i>PERIPHERY</i>	PI	POLYLINE	PROJECTION
CONSTRAINTS	CONTEXT	<i>CONTINUE</i>	CONTINUOUS	RADIANS	REFERENCE	REFSYS	REFSYSTEM
<i>CONTOUR</i>	CONTRACTED	COORD	<i>COORD2</i>	REQUIRED	RESTRICTION	ROTATION	SET
<i>COORD3</i>	COUNTERCLOCKWISE	DATE	DATETIME	SIGN	STRAIGHTS	STRUCTURE	SUBDIVISION
DEFAULT	DEFERRED	DEFINED	<i>DEGREES</i>	SURFACE	SYMBOLGY	<i>TABLE</i>	TEXT
DEPENDS	<i>DERIVATIVES</i>	DERIVED	<i>DIM1</i>	THATAREA	THIS	THISAREA	<i>TID</i>
<i>DIM2</i>	DIRECTED	DOMAIN	END	<i>TIDSIZE</i>	TIMEOFDAY	TO	TOPIC
ENUMTREEVAL	ENUMVAL	EQUAL	EXISTENCE	TRANSFER	TRANSIENT	TRANSLATION	TYPE
EXTENDED	EXTENDS	EXTERNAL	FINAL	UNDEFINED	UNION	UNIQUE	UNIT
FIRST	<i>FIX</i>	FONT	FORM	UNQUALIFIED	URI	VALIGNMENT	VERSION
FORMAT	<i>FREE</i>	FROM	FUNCTION	VERTEX	<i>VERTEXINFO</i>	VIEW	WHEN
GENERIC	GENERICs	GRADS	GRAPHIC	WHERE	WITH	WITHOUT	XMLNS
HALIGNMENT	HIDING	<i>I16</i>	<i>I32</i>				
<i>IDENT</i>	IMPORTS	IN	INHERITANCE				
INSPECTION	INTERLIS	JOIN	LAST				
LINE	<i>LINEATTR</i>	<i>LINESIZE</i>	LIST				



# Model

- A model contains Units, Functions, Domains, Classes, Structures and Topic definitions
- Must have Issuer (AT) and Version attributes (Only for documentation purposes)

## Syntaxis

```
ModelDef = 'MODEL' Model-Name
           'AT' URI-String
           'VERSION' Version-String
           '='
           { TopicDef }
           'END' Model-Name '.'
```

## Example

```
INTERLIS 2.3;
MODEL UtilityNetwork
  AT "mailto:Fabian@localhost"
  VERSION "2021-06-22" =
    DOMAIN
      Height = 0.00 .. 9000.00;
    TOPIC Water =
      END Water;
  END UtilityNetwork.
```



# Use definitions from another model

```
INTERLIS 2.3;  
MODEL Earth  
  AT "mailto:Fabian@localhost"  
  VERSION "2021-06-16" =  
    IMPORTS Units; !!see Appendix F of INTERLIS-Reference Manual  
    DOMAIN  
      Atmospheric_Pressure = 0.00 .. 99.00 [Units. atm];  
    ...  
END Earth.
```

- Use *IMPORTS* keyword followed by model name (no need to use path)
- Referenced object names are qualified (*Model.Topic.Class*)



# Use unqualified names

```
INTERLIS 2.3;  
MODEL Earth  
  AT "mailto:Fabian@localhost"  
  VERSION "2021-06-16" =  
    IMPORTS UNQUALIFIED Units;  
    DOMAIN  
      Atmospheric_Pressure = 0.00 .. 99.00 [atm]; !! No need to use Model Name  
    ...  
END Earth.
```

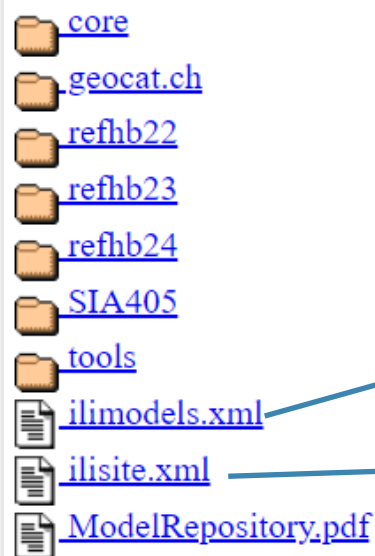
- Use ***IMPORTS UNQUALIFIED*** keyword enables the use of unqualified names



# Model Repository

<https://models.interlis.ch/>

## INTERLIS Model-Repository



### ModelMetadata

Name[1] : ModelName  
SchemaLanguage[1] : Enumeración  
File[1] : RelativeFilePath  
Version[1] : ModelVersion  
VersionComment[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
publishingDate[0..1] : Otro  
Original[0..1] : AbsoluteLocation  
dependsOnModel[0..\*] : ModelName  
precursorVersion[0..1] : ModelVersion  
followupModel[0..\*] : ModelName  
derivedModel[0..\*] : ModelName

### Site

Name[1] : Cadena de texto  
Title[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
shortDescription[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
Tags[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
Owner[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
technicalContact[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
furtherInformation[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
furtherMetadata[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
parentSite[0..\*] : RepositoryLocation  
subsidiarySite[0..\*] : RepositoryLocation  
peerSite[0..\*] : RepositoryLocation  
knownOtherSite[0..\*] : RepositoryLocation  
mirrorSite[0..\*] : RepositoryLocation

Cadena de texto  
ption[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
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ontact[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
mation[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
data[0..1] : Cadena de texto  
[0..\*] : Webservice  
[0..\*] : Webservice  
[0..\*] : WebSite  
[0..1] : Booleano  
Cadena de texto



# Building a local model repository

Colombian Example <https://repositorio.proadmintierra.info/>

## Model Repository LADM\_COL

<https://repositorio.proadmintierra.info/>



- A model repository can be at any place accessible from an URI (Local storage, Http(s), ftp(s) )
- Custom repositories can be registered as subsidiary site from a major repository (Recommended)

```
<IliSite09.RepositoryLocation>
  <value>http://models.geo.llv.li</value>
</IliSite09.RepositoryLocation>
<IliSite09.RepositoryLocation>
  <value>https://repositorio.proadmintierra.info</value>
</IliSite09.RepositoryLocation>
</subsidiarySite>
```

<https://models.interlis.ch/ilisite.xml>



# Topic

- Contains all definitions to describe a part of the modeled reality.
- A topic can contain *Units, Functions, Domains, Classes, Structures, Associations, Constraints* and *Views* definitions

## Syntax

```
TopicDef = 'TOPIC' Topic-Name '='  
          Definitions  
          'END' Topic-Name ';
```

## Example

```
INTERLIS 2.3;  
MODEL UtilityNetwork  
  AT "mailto:Fabian@localhost"  
  VERSION "2021-06-22" =  
    DOMAIN  
      Height = 0.00 .. 9000.00;  
    TOPIC WaterNetwork =  
      CLASS Pipeline =  
        END Pipeline;  
    END WaterNetwork;  
END UtilityNetwork.
```



# Extending Topics

- A global model defines common rules for all parties, in some cases local rules need to be applied extending Topics.

## Syntax

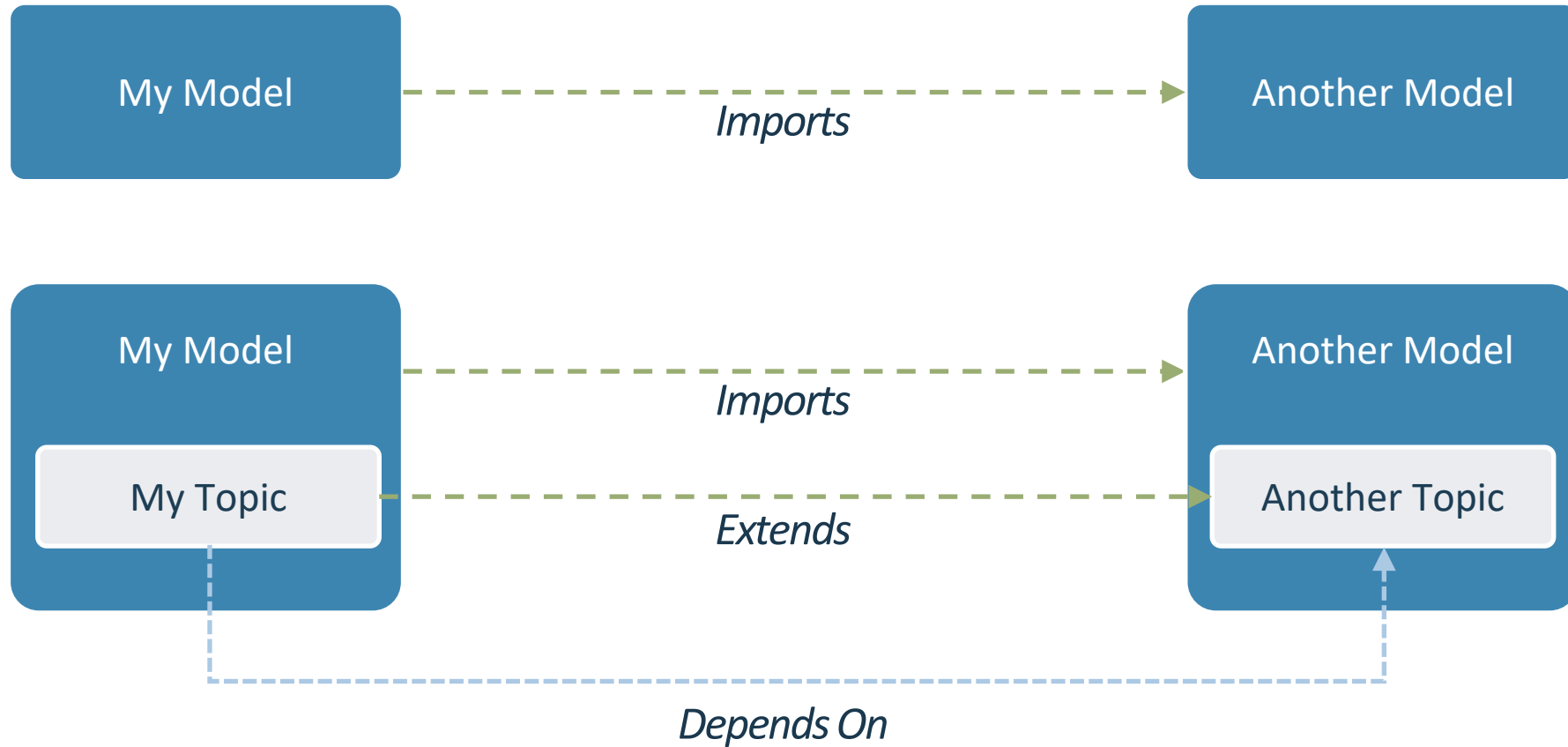
```
TopicDef = 'TOPIC' Topic-Name  
           'EXTENDS' TopicRef '='  
           Definitions  
           'END' Topic-Name ';'.  
           
```

## Example

```
TOPIC LocalWater EXTENDS WaterNetwork =  
  CLASS Pipeline (EXTENDED) =  
    !! + includes attributes of class Pipeline in WaterNetwork  
    LastMaintenance: INTERLIS.XMLDate;  
  END Pipeline;  
END LocalWater;
```



# Dependencies between Models and Topics



# Classes

- Classes defines a general structure of attributes, constraints, and parameters applicable to all objects of the same type.

## Syntaxis

```
ClassDef = 'CLASS' Class-Name '='  
          { AttributeDef }  
          'END' Class-Name ';'.
```

## Example

```
CLASS Pipeline =  
    Type : TEXT*20;  
    Size : 0 .. 50 [in];  
END Pipeline;
```



# Types of Classes

Classes can be

- Concrete
- Abstract
- Final
- Derivate/Extended (Discussion)



# Structures

- Structures as classes does, can be concretes, abstracts, finals, or extended.

## Syntax

```
StructureDef = 'STRUCTURE' Struct-Name '='  
              { AttributeDef }  
              'END' Struct-Name ';'.
```

## Example

```
STRUCTURE ParcelAddress =  
    StreetName : TEXT*40;  
    Number : TEXT*12;  
END ParcelAddress;  
  
CLASS Parcel =  
    Number : ParcelAddress;  
END Parcel;  
  
CLASS CantonParcels =  
    HeritageParcels : BAG {0..*} OF ParcelAddress;  
END CantonParcels;
```



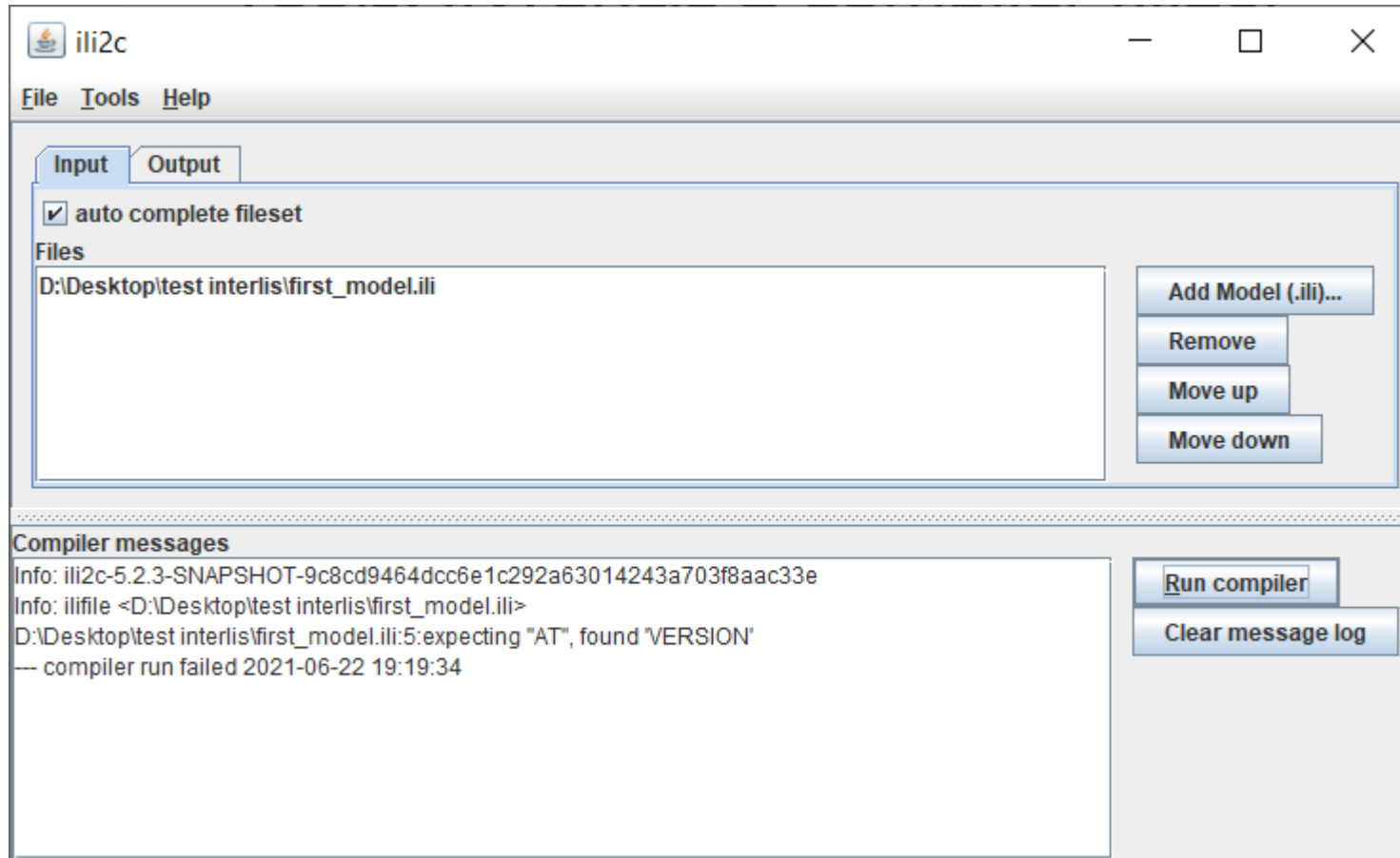


# Creating and checking models



# Tools: INTERLIS 2 Compiler (ili2c)

<https://github.com/claeis/ili2c>





# Create and check a model

```
INTERLIS 2.3;
MODEL Earth
  AT "mailto:Fabian@localhost"
  VERSION "2021-06-16" =
  IMPORTS Units; !!see Appendix F of INTERLIS-Reference Manual

  DOMAIN
    Atmospheric_Pressure = 0.00 .. 99.00 [Units. atm];

  TOPIC Cadaster =
    STRUCTURE ParcelAddress =
      | StreetName : TEXT*40;
      | Number : TEXT*12;
    END ParcelAddress;

    CLASS Parcel =
      | Number : ParcelAddress;
    END Parcel;

    CLASS CantonParcels =
      | HeritageParcels : BAG {0..*} OF ParcelAddress;
    END CantonParcels;

  END Cadaster;
END Earth.
```

# Generalization and specialization of a class

## Syntax

```
ClassDef = 'CLASS' Class-Name  
          'EXTENDS' ClassRef '='  
          'END' Class-Name ';'.
```

## Example

```
CLASS Creature =  
END Creature;  
CLASS Animal EXTENDS Creature =  
END Animal;
```



# Extending Classes

## Syntax

```
ClassDef = 'CLASS' Class-Name  
          '(' EXTENDED ')' '='  
          'END' Class-Name ';'.
```

## Example

```
TOPIC WaterNetwork =  
    CLASS Pipeline =  
        END Pipeline;  
    END WaterNetwork;
```

```
TOPIC LocalWater EXTENDS WaterNetwork =  
    CLASS Pipeline (EXTENDED) =  
        LastMaintenance: INTERLIS.XMLDate;  
    END Pipeline;  
    END LocalWater;
```

# Enforce specialization

## Syntax

```
ClassDef = 'CLASS' Class-Name  
          '(ABSTRACT)'  
          [ 'EXTENDS' ClassRef ] '='  
          'END' Class-Name ';'.
```

## Example

```
CLASS Creature (ABSTRACT) =  
END Creature;  
CLASS Animal EXTENDS Creature =  
END Animal;
```



# Prevent specialization

## Syntax

```
ClassDef = 'CLASS' Class-Name  
          '(FINAL)'  
          [ 'EXTENDS' ClassRef ] '='  
          'END' Class-Name ';'.
```

## Example

```
CLASS Creature (FINAL) =  
END Creature;  
  
CLASS Animal EXTENDS Creature =  
END Animal;
```

!! Error: Creature cannot be extended

# Attributes

## Syntax

AttributDef =

Attribute-Name : [MANDATORY]

*Type*

| *DomainRef*;

DomainRef =

[ Model-Name '.' [ Topic-Name '.' ] ] Domain-Name

## Example

CLASS Person =

Name : TEXT\*40;

ID : MANDATORY TEXT\*10;

Genre : ( Male, Female );

HasChildren: BOOLEAN;

END Person;



# Domain of values/Data types

- Character (TextType)
- Number (NumericType)
- Date and Time (FormattedType)
- Enumeration (EnumerationType, BooleanType)
- Identifier (OIDType)
- Blackbox (BlackboxType)
- Coordinate (CoordinateType)
- Line (PolylineType)
- Polygon (PolylineType)

# Text Data types

- Name : TEXT\*40;
- Title : TEXT;
- Description : MTEXT;
- InterlisModelName : NAME;
- EmailAddress : URI;

## Over-Restricting attributes

CLASS Site =

    Name : TEXT\*120;

END Site;

CLASS Museum **EXTENDS** Site =

    Name (**EXTENDED**) : TEXT\*80;

END Museum;

# Enumerations

EnumerationType = Enumeration .

Enumeration = '(' EnumElement { ',' EnumElement } [ ':' 'FINAL' ] )'.

EnumElement = EnumElement-Name [Sub-Enumeration].

BooleanType = 'BOOLEAN'.

## Example

```
Color : (blue
        , green
        , red (orange, carmine, darkred));
Validated : BOOLEAN;
```

## Specialization of an enumeration

```
DOMAIN
Color = (blue
        , green
        , red);
ColorExact EXTENDS Color = (red (orange, carmine, darkred));
```

## Extending of an enumeration

```
DOMAIN
Color = (blue
        , green
        , red);
MoreColors EXTENDS Color = (Black, White);
```



# Associations

- association (--): Relationship between independent objects
- aggregation (-<>): Relationship between Parts and a Whole. A Part can be part of multiple Wholes.
- composition (-<#>): Relationship between Parts and a Whole. A Part can only be part of a single Whole.

```
AssociationDef = 'ASSOCIATION' '='  
                { RoleDef }  
                'END' ';'.  
RoleDef = Role-Name '--' ClassRef ';'.  

```

## Example

```
CLASS School ... ;  
CLASS Person ... ;  
  
ASSOCIATION =  
    primarySchool -- School;  
    director -- Person;  
END;
```

# Cardinality and Force

## Cardinality (number of objects)

```
CLASS School =  
END School;  
CLASS Person =  
END Person;
```

```
ASSOCIATION =  
    primarySchool -- {0..*} School;  
    director -- {1} Person;  
END;
```

## Composition

```
ASSOCIATION =  
    car -<#> {1} Vehicle;  
    wheel -- {4} Wheel;  
END;
```

## Ordering related objects

```
ASSOCIATION =  
    line -- {1} Polyline;  
    vertex (ORDERED) -- {2..*} Point;  
END;
```

## Associations with attributes

```
ASSOCIATION =  
    employer -- Company;  
    employee -- Person;  
    Salary : 1500 .. 15000 [CHF];  
END;
```

# Coordinates

- INTERLIS doesn't know about EPSG
- The CRS/EPSSG code is not in the transfer (because it is constant for a given model/geometry attribute)
- The CRS is defined/used in the model
- *A COORD domain references a CRS*

## Example projected coordinates

DOMAIN

CoordLV03 = COORD

460000.000 .. 870000.000 [m],

45000.000 .. 310000.000 [m],

ROTATION 2 -> 1;

## Geographic coordinates

REFSYSTEM BASKET

BCoordSys ~ CoordSys.CoordsysTopic

OBJECTS OF GeoEllipsoidal : WGS84;

DOMAIN

WGS84Coord = COORD

-90.00000 .. 90.00000 [Units.Angle\_Degree] {WGS84[1]},

0.00000 .. 359.99999 CIRCULAR [Units.Angle\_Degree] {WGS84[2]};



An aerial photograph of a mountainous landscape. The terrain is covered in dense green forest, with numerous small, winding roads or paths visible. A prominent feature is a long, straight line of white wind turbines stretching across the middle of the image. The text "Thank you" is overlaid in white, centered horizontally.

# Thank you

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