

STF 476: TDL Phase 2

Status Report

Document History

• 2014-03-19: Document submitted for SG-2

Goal and Objectives of TDL Phase 2

- Goal
 - Supporting ETSI and industrial users in using TDL
- Objectives
 - Extended TDL meta-model for supporting test automation
 - Default concrete syntaxes
 - Graphical syntax for end-users
 - Textual exchange syntax for tool interoperability
 - Analysis on the needs for a textual syntax to support ETSI use cases

Deliverables for TDL2

| Del. | Work Item Code / Standard Number | Working Title / Scope |
|------|-------------------------------------|--|
| D1 | RES/ES 203 119-1 V1.2.1 | Test Description Language; Meta-Model and Semantics Scope: common concepts, meta-model, semantics |
| D2 | DES/ ES 203 119-2 V1.1.1 | Test Description Language; Graphical Syntax Scope: TDL graphical concrete syntax for end users |
| D3 | DES/ ES 203 119-3 V1.1.1 | Test Description Language; Exchange Format Scope: TDL exchange format for tool interoperability |

Optionally: ES Part 4 on TDL textual concrete syntax (no WI created yet)

TDL2 Organisation of Work

- Start: 02/2014
 - Task 0: Project management
 - Task 1: Extension of TDL meta-model (02-12/2014)
 - Task 2: Graphical concrete syntax (02-12/2014)
 - Task 3: Exchange syntax (06-12/2014)
 - Task 4a: Analysis on ETSI concrete syntax (02-05/2014)
- Potential STF extension: 06/2014 (decision at MTS#62)
 - Task 4b: ETSI concrete syntax (06-12/2014)
- End: 12/2014
 - WI: updated meta-model description + semantics
 - WI: concrete syntax + meta-model mapping
 - WI: exchange syntax + meta-model mapping

TDL2 Milestones

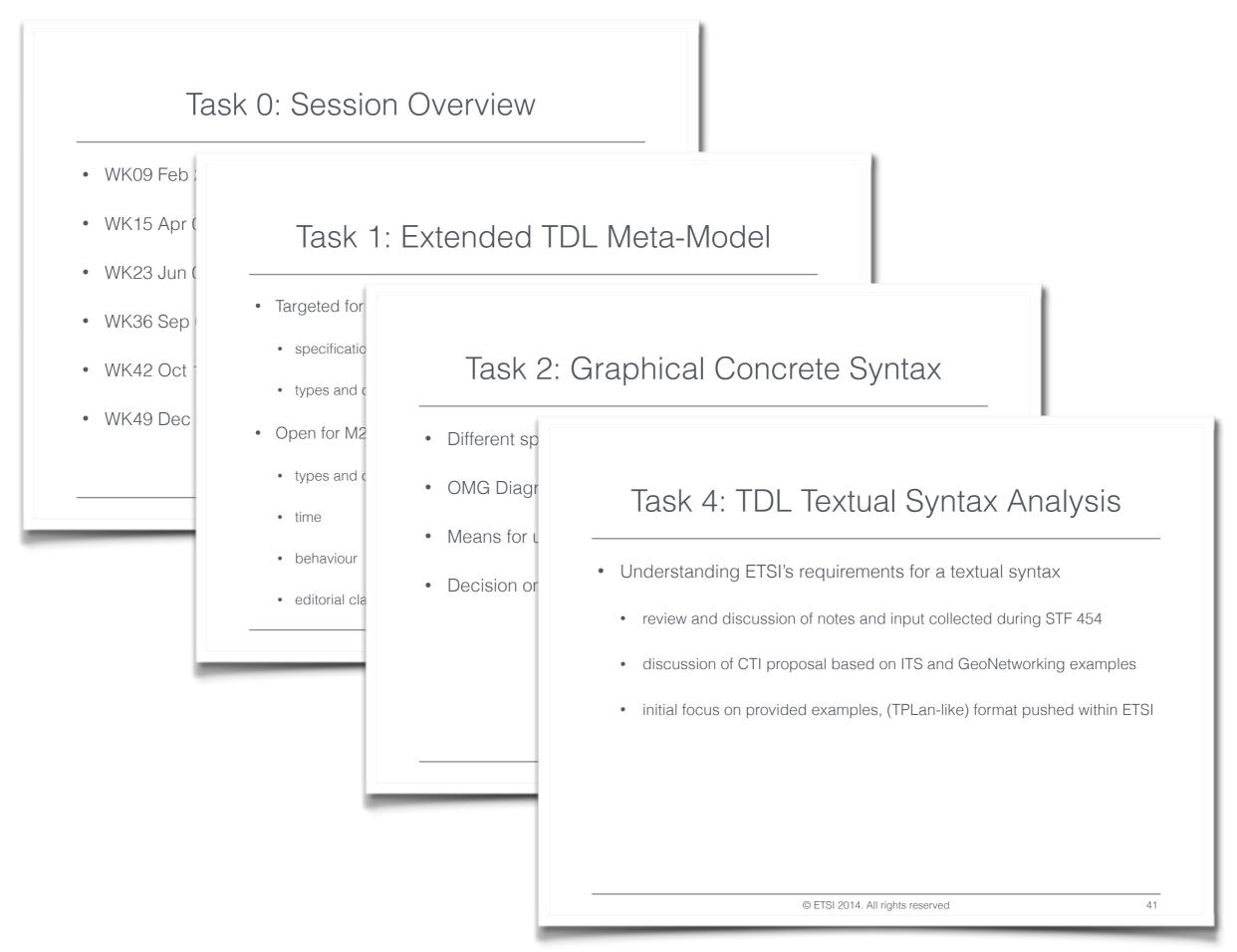
- Mo: 02/2014
 - Start of work of Tasks 0, 1, 2, 4
- M1: 05/2014

- <- Discussion at MTS#62 (05/2014)
- (T1) Early draft: updated meta-model, (T2) Early draft: graphical syntax,
- (T4) Decision paper on textual syntax
- (T3) Start of Task 3,
- M2: 09/2014

- <- Discussion at MTS#63 (10/2014)
- (T1) Stable draft: updated meta-model, (T2) Stable draft: graphical syntax, (T3) Early draft: exchange syntax
- M3: 12/2014

- <- Approval at MTS#64 (02/2015)
- (T1) Final draft: updated meta-model, (T2) Final draft: graphical syntax, (T3) Final draft: exchange syntax

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Task 0: Session Planning

- 6 sessions in total
- 2 sessions per milestone
 - 1 preparatory / debriefing
 - 1 finalising
- Homework and remote coordinated work in between

Task 0: Session Overview

- WK09 Feb 24-28 Session 1 @ETSI
- WK15 Apr 07-11 Session 2 @ETSI
- WK23 Jun 02-06 Session 3 @FOKUS
- WK36 Sep 01-05 Session 4 @ETSI
- WK42 Oct 13-17 Session 5 @Siemens
- WK49 Dec 01-05 Session 6 @ETSI

Task 0: Milestone 1 Timeline

- WK09 Feb 24-28 Session 1 @ETSI
 - 4 experts, 16 days, define roadmaps, prepare early drafts
- WK15 Apr 07-11 Session 2 @ETSI
 - 4 experts, 16 days, finalise early drafts, analysis report, ToR if applicable
 - deadline for requests to extend/move sessions, contracts extension
- WK18 Apr 28-May 05 Deliverables ready
- WK20 May 14-15 MTS #62 @Siemens

Task 0: Milestone 2 Timeline

- WK23 Jun 02-06 Session 3 @FOKUS
 - 5 experts, 20-25 days, define roadmaps, prepare stable drafts
- WK36 Sep 01-05 Session 4 @ETSI
 - 5 experts, 20-25 days, finalise stable drafts
- WK37 Sep 08-12 Deliverables ready
- WK39 Sep 22-26 MTS #63 TBD

Task 0: Milestone 3 Timeline

- WK42 Oct 13-17 Session 5 @Siemens
 - 5 experts, 20-25 days, define roadmaps, prepare final drafts
- WK49 Dec 01-05 Session 6 @ETSI
 - 5 experts, 20-25 days, finalise final drafts
- WK50 Dec 15-19 Deliverables ready
- WKXX Jan/Feb 2015 MTS #64 TBD

Task 0: Milestone Resources

- ~15 days/expert per milestone
 - assuming roughly equal resource allocation per expert
 - 2x4 days sessions, ~7 days homework
 - other options to consider?
- Milestone 1: ~60 days (4 experts)
- Milestone 2: ~75 days (5 experts)
- Milestone 3: ~75 days (5 experts)

Task 0: Operational Risks

- Task (inter-)dependencies hinder progress due to distributed work
 - Severity: Medium, Likelihood: Low
 - Mitigation strategies
 - make dependencies explicit where these are inevitable in order to raise awareness
 - ensure communication and collaboration among experts working on inter-dependent tasks
 - reassign experts where applicable

Task 0: Operational Risks

- Misunderstandings and communication barriers hinder progress
 - Severity: Medium, Likelihood: Medium
 - Mitigation strategies
 - recognise and differentiate between misunderstandings and technical disagreements (moderation and awareness)
 - emphasis on examples and written word
 - identify fundamental differences between alternative proposals and their impact (pragmatist approach)

Task 0: User Acceptance Risks

- Lack of essential tool support considered a limiting factor
 - Severity: High, Likelihood: Medium
 - Mitigation strategies
 - means to use and access the language need to be provided early on
 - early drafts need to be discussed and aligned with users' needs
 - simplified initial interface to TDL may be favourable (Task 4)
 - integration in existing processes and awareness among potential users (board report, collaboration with CTI)

Task 0: Tool Vendor Adoption Risks

- Lack of user base and technical challenges raise barrier to entry
 - Severity: High, Likelihood: Medium
 - Mitigation strategies
 - awareness and collaboration with users seeks to create initial demand
 - early prototypical validation seeks to create a sound technical foundation and reduce inherent technical challenges
 - participating commercial and in-house tool vendors assure that their perspectives are considered in the design and execution of the standards

Session 1 Overview

- Goal: Prepare and define roadmaps for Milestone 1
 - created initial pool of tasks
 - selected targets for Milestone 1
 - performed first analysis tasks
 - proposed conceptual solutions for analysed targets
- Targeted for Session 2
 - implementation and validation of analysed targets, progress on remaining targets

Task 1: Extended TDL Meta-Model

- Targeted for M1
 - specification of sub-test configurations
 - types and data refinement (initial proposal)
- Open for M2 and M3
 - types and data (finalised)
 - time
 - behaviour
 - editorial clarifications and refinements

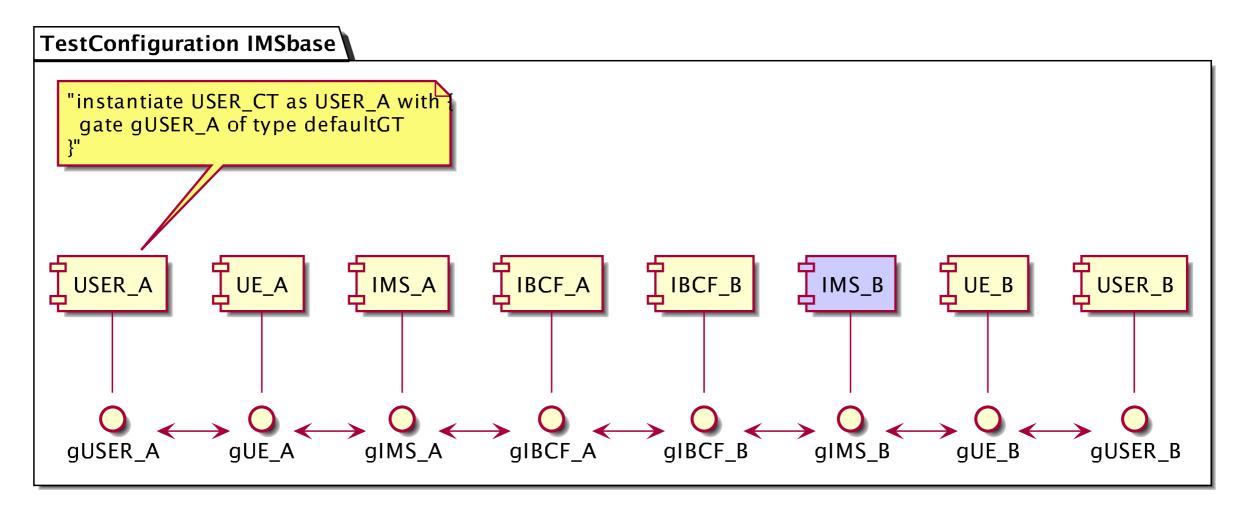
Task 1: Sub-configurations

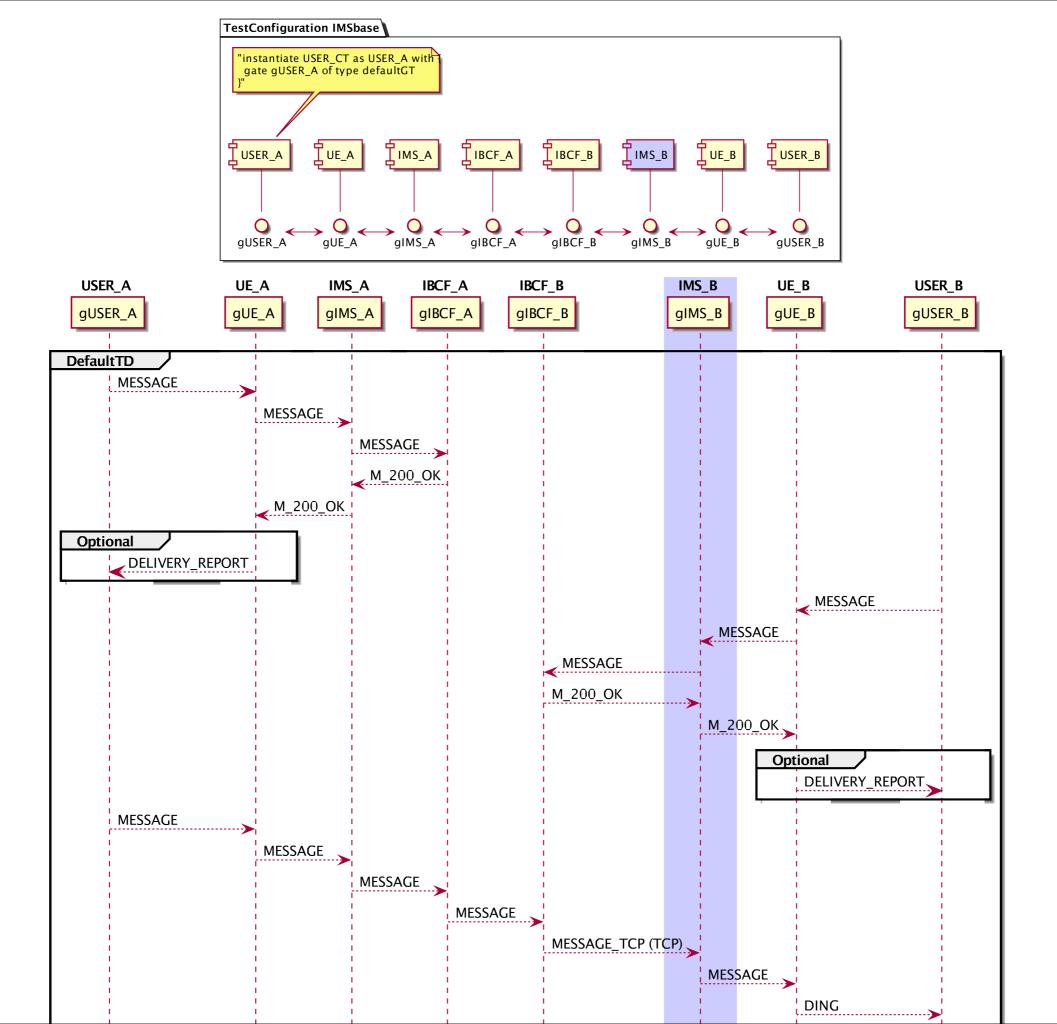
- Understanding of sub-configurations
- 2 core aspects
 - configuration composition
 - relationship between test configurations and test descriptions
 - ongoing discussion on two different approaches to binding
 - binding upon declaration ("global constant"), allows for 1: n
 - binding upon reference ("formal parameters"), allows for m: n

Task 1: Sub-configurations Concept

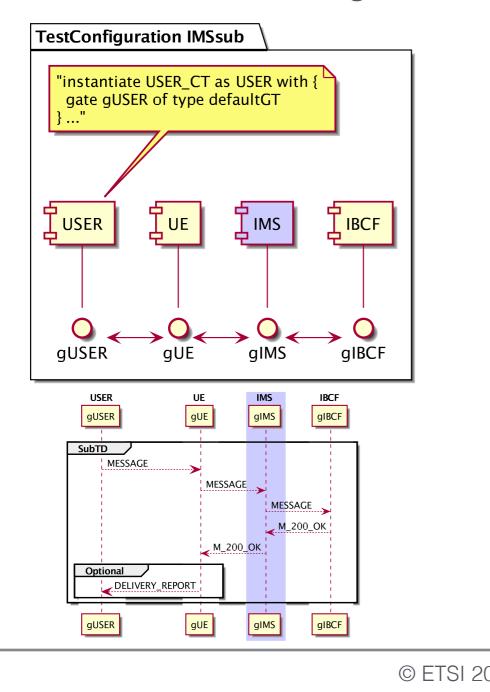
- "Factoring out" reusable behaviours and configurations
- Support multiple instances of the same sub-configuration
- Support reassignment of roles
 - scope and ensuring valid behaviour description (alternative, exceptional) under discussion
- Support for merging multiple components into one

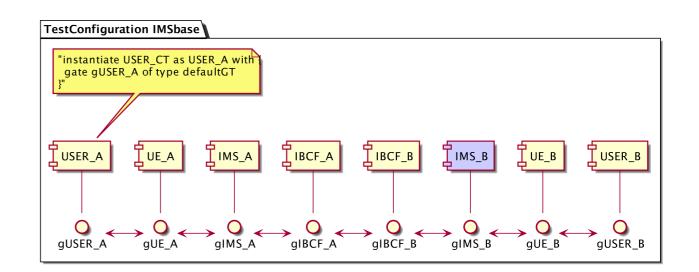
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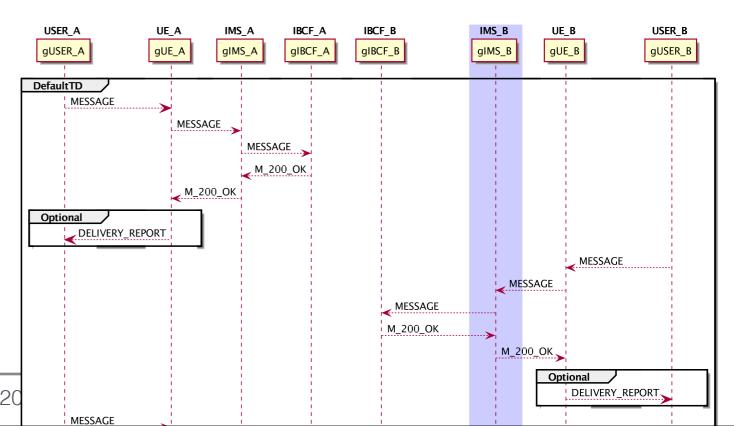




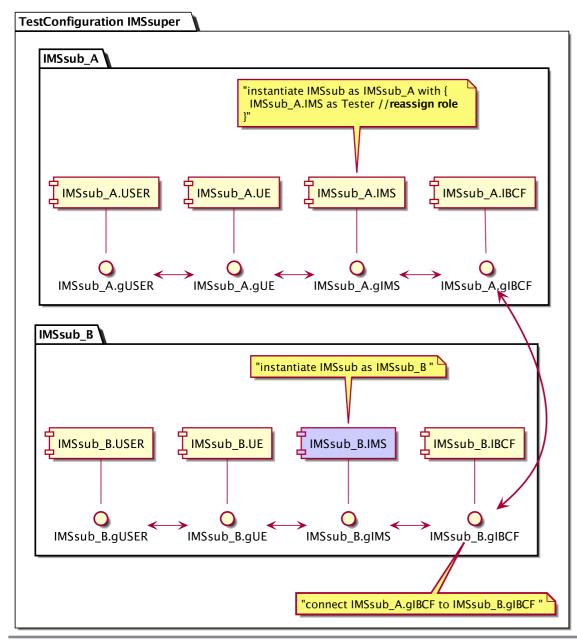
Extracted sub-configuration

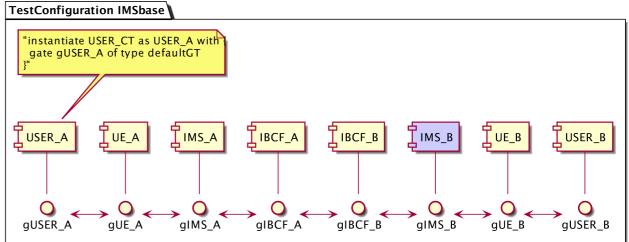


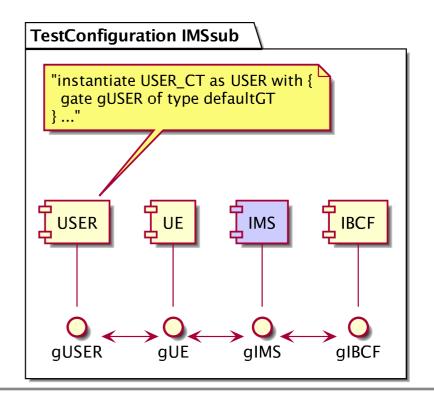


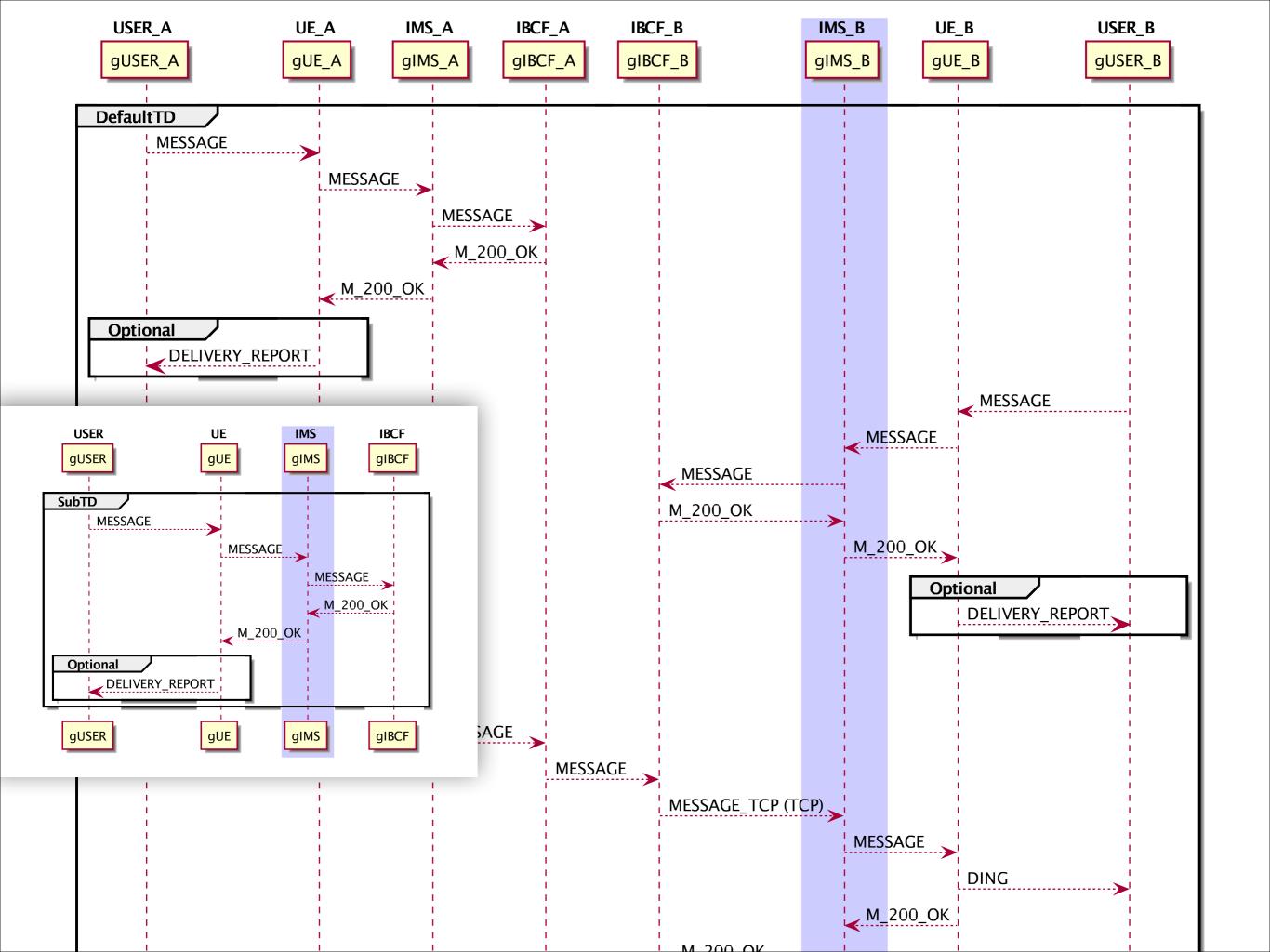


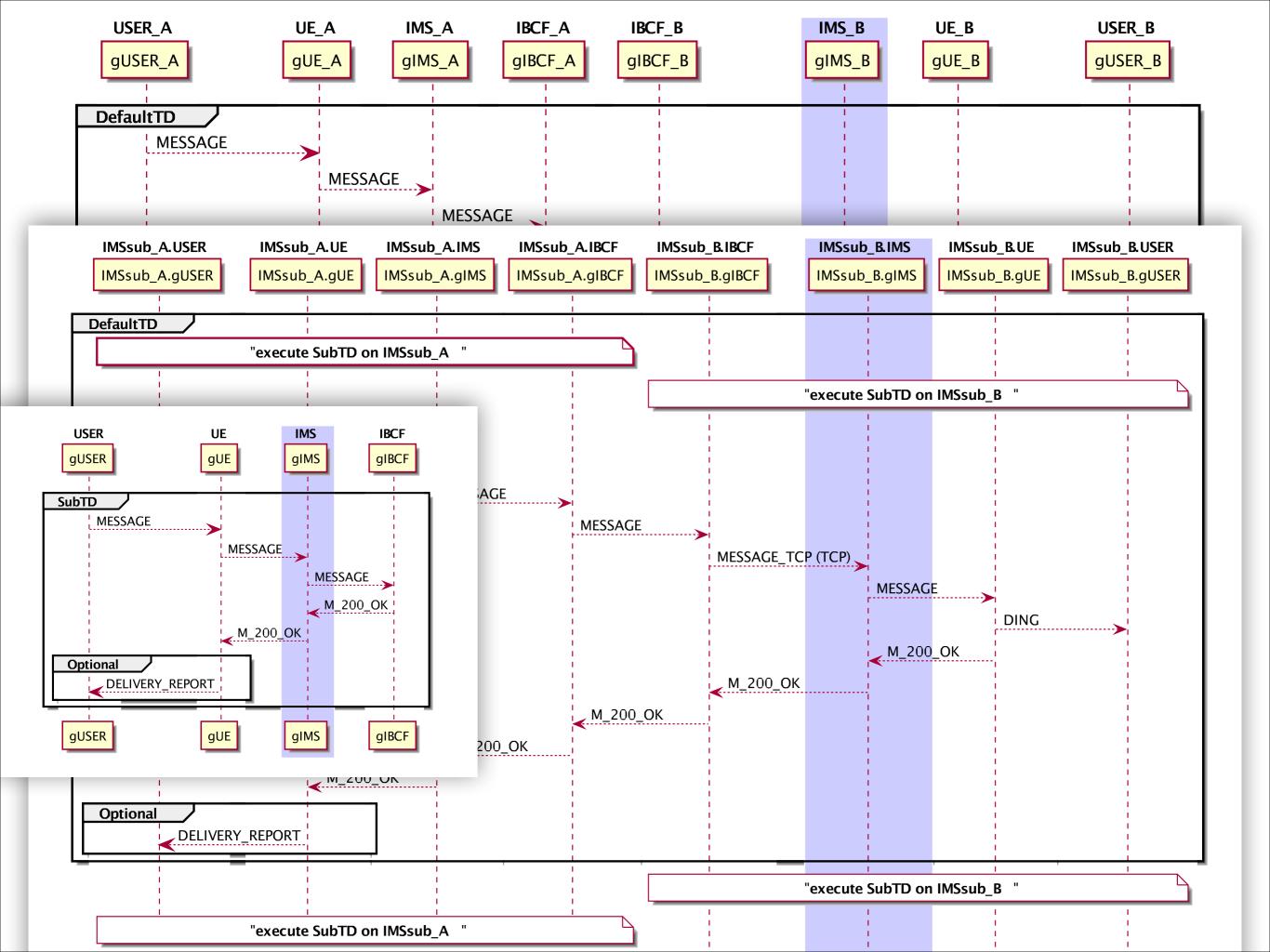
"Super"-configuration



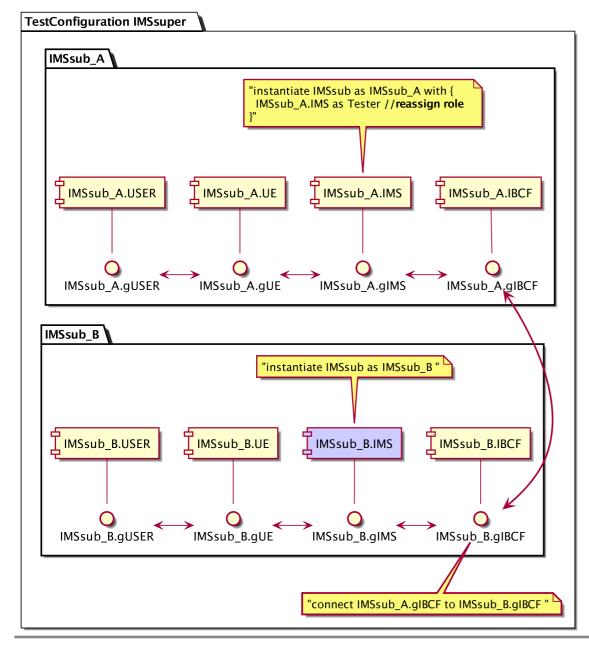


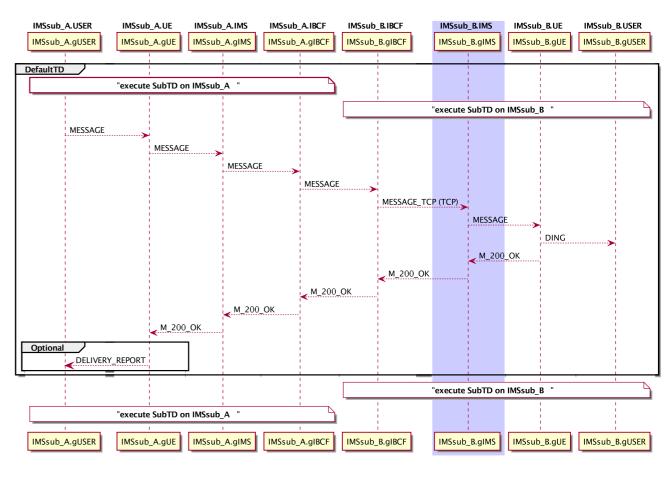






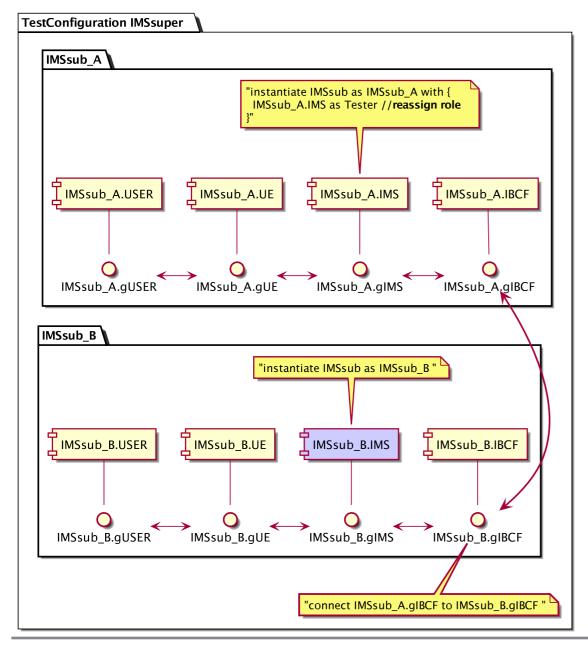
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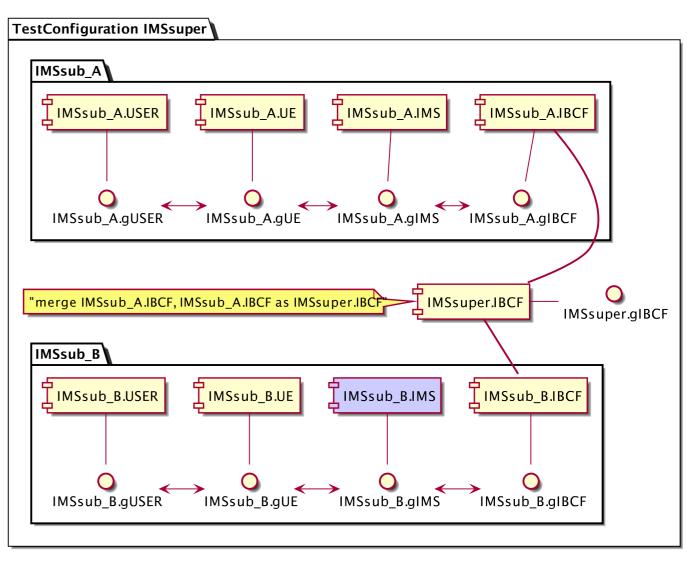


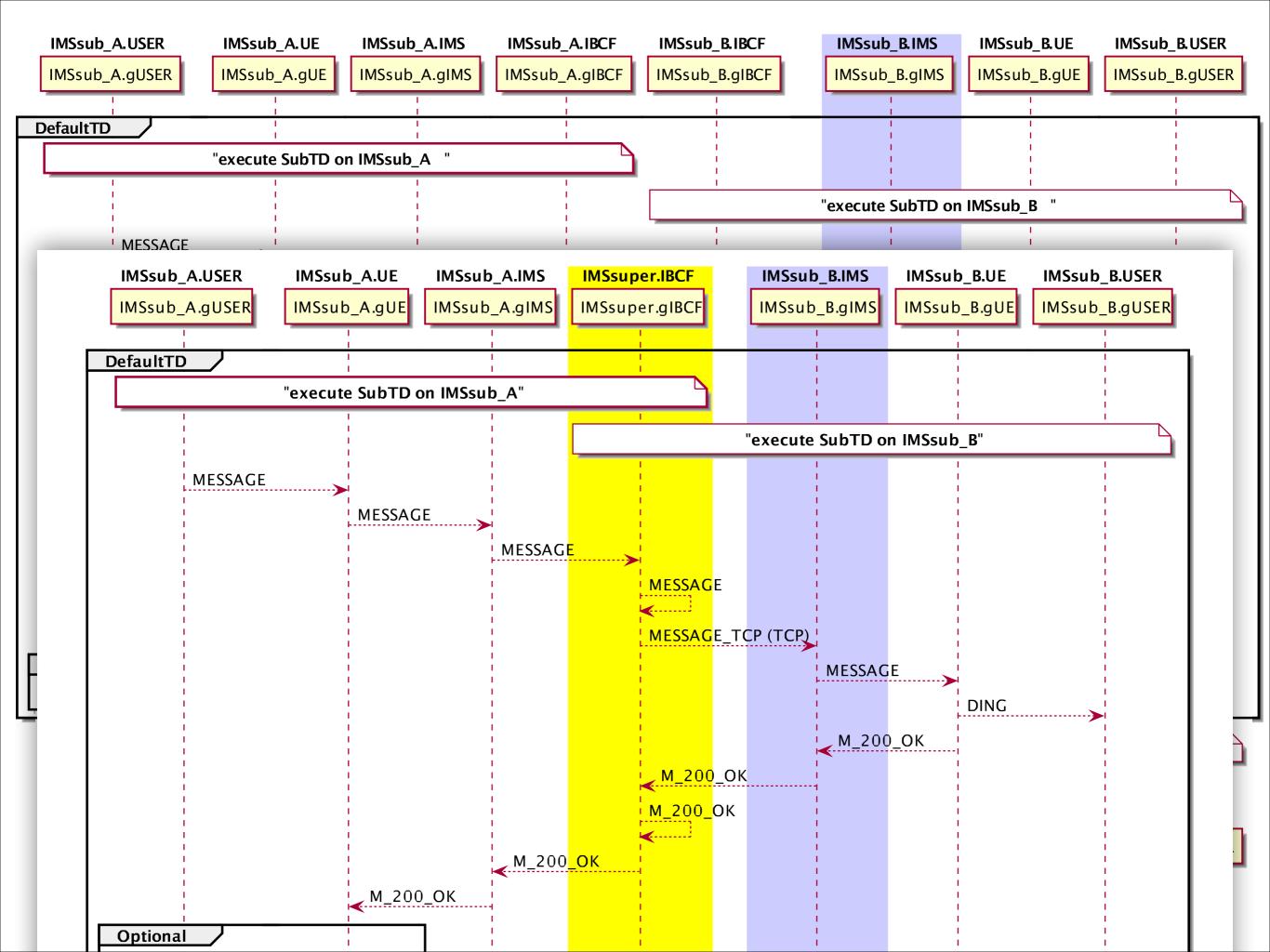


Task 1: Merging Sub-configurations

Merged "Super"-configuration







Task 1: Data Concepts Summary

- Targeted for M1:
 - clarification and refinement of separation between notions for types and templates and their TDL counter-parts
 - conceptual proposal for local variables in order to make the specification of data flows more explicit
 - conceptual proposal for handling of data expressions and data operations

Task 2: Graphical Concrete Syntax

- Different specification approaches studied
- OMG Diagram Definition (DD) selected "in principle"
- Means for user-accessible specification under study
- Decision on description and mapping structure pending

Task 2: Diagram Definition Summary

- Kinds of graphical syntax information
 - User can control

Diagram Interchange (DI)

- position of nodes, interconnections
- interchangeable between tools
- Defined by language standard

Diagram Graphics (DG)

- shape, style of symbol
- not interchangeable, shall be identical and is known a priori
- Common basic elements, types

Diagram Common (DC)

Task 2: Diagram Definition Architecture

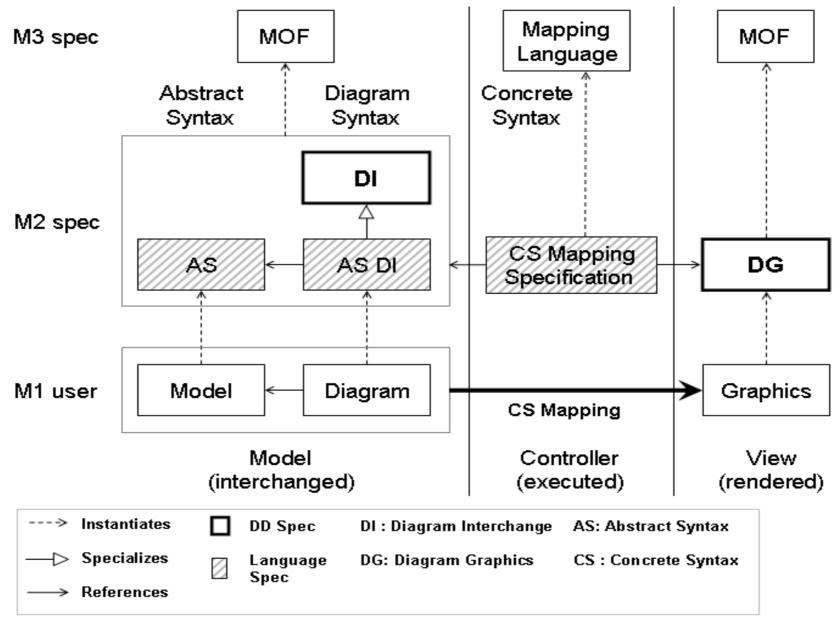


Figure 7.1 - Diagram Definition Architecture

Task 2: Diagram Definition Architecture

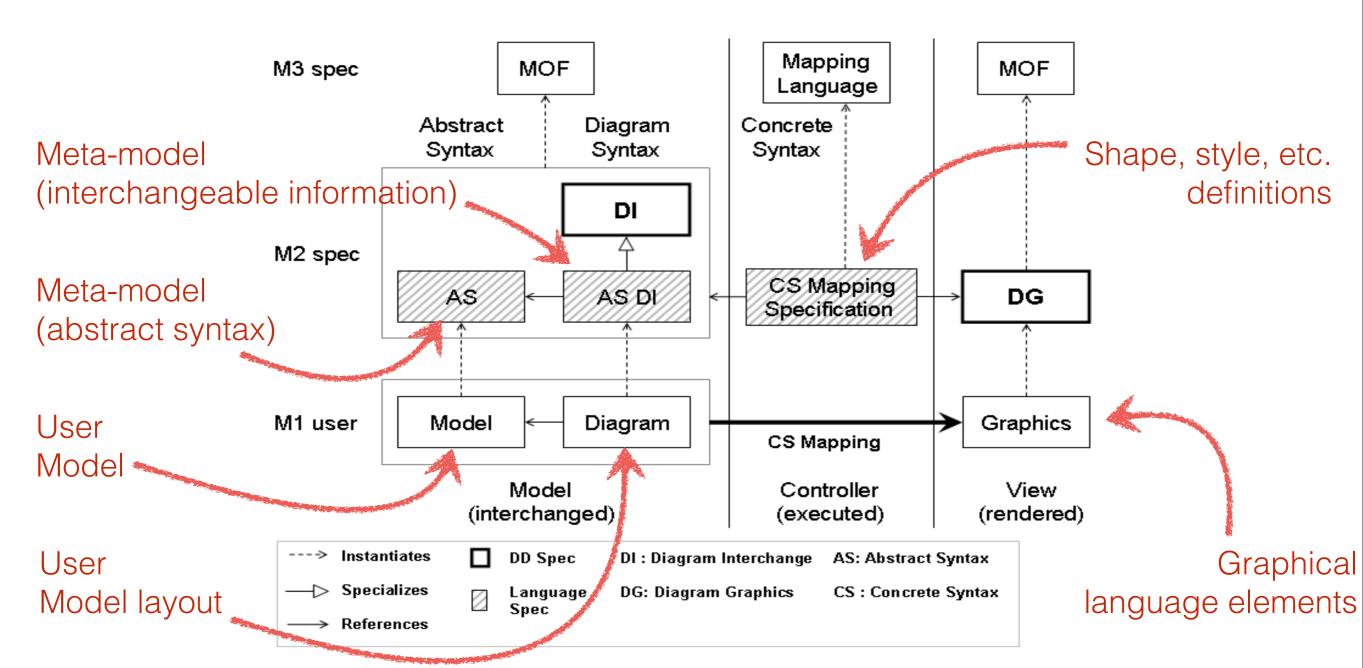


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Task 2: Diagram Definition UML

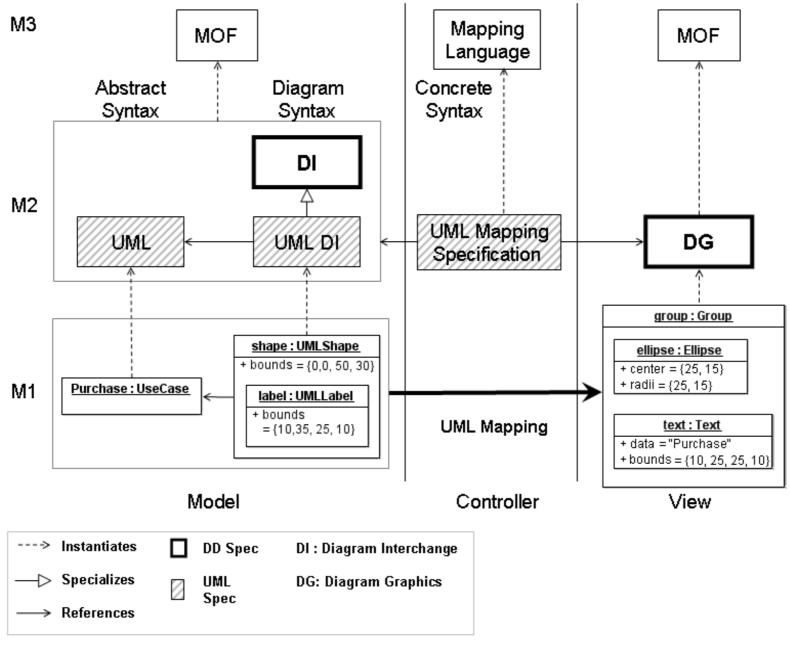


Figure 7.2 - Example of Diagram Definition Architecture For UML

Task 2: Diagram Definition TDL

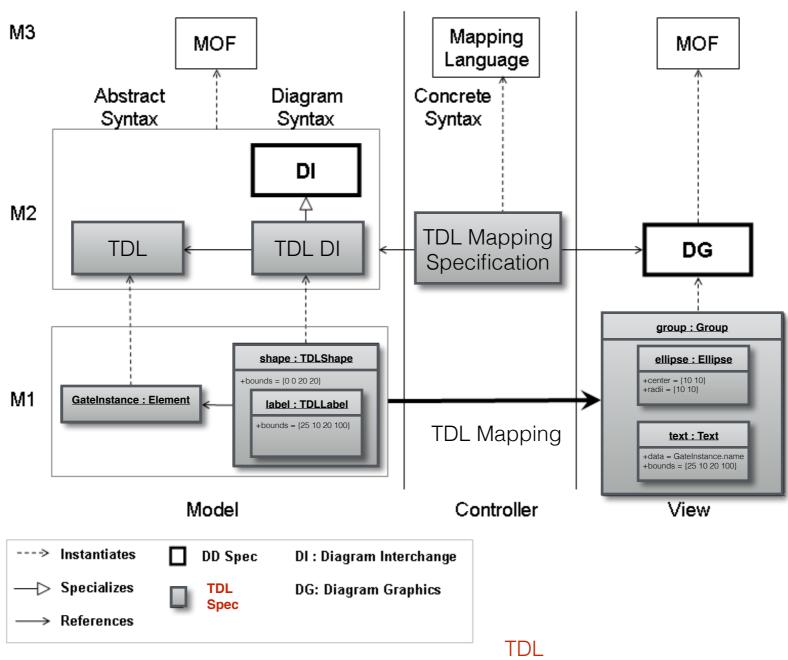


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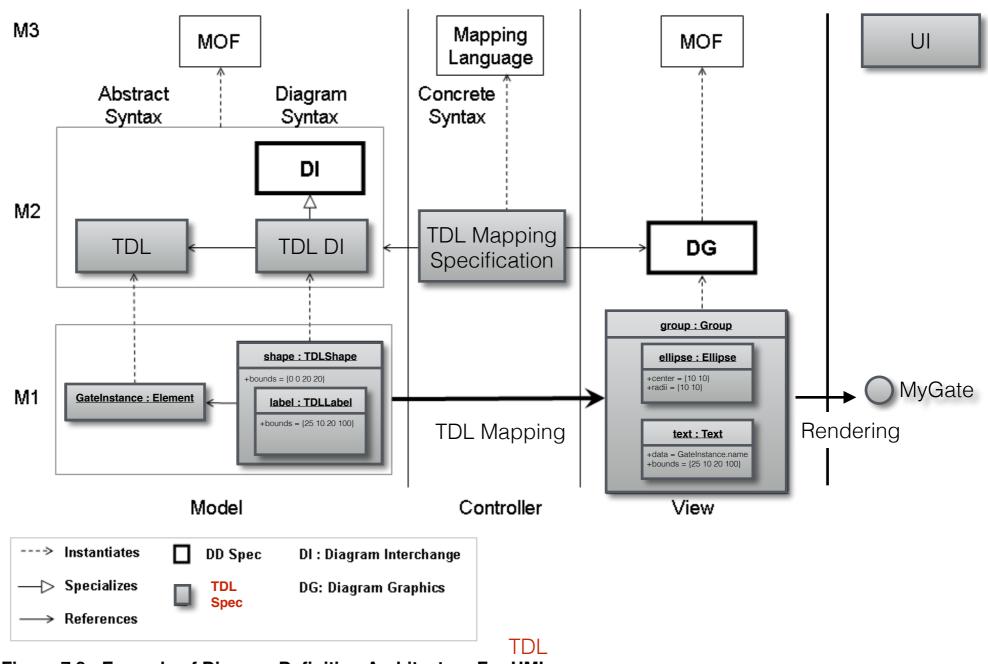
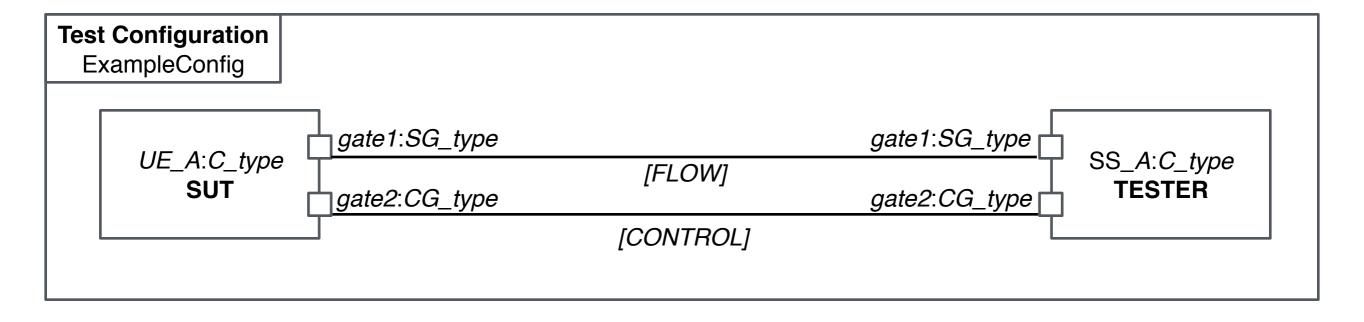


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Task 2: Graphical Syntax Examples



Test Configurations

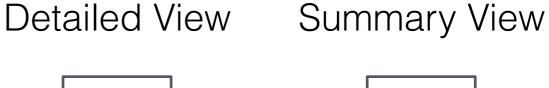


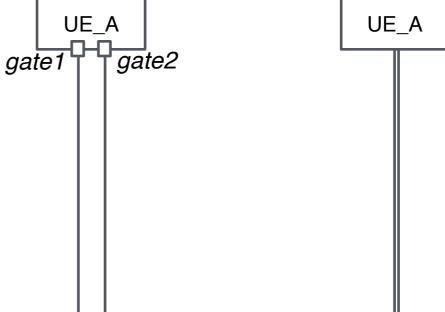
Task 2: Graphical Syntax Examples

Test Descriptions

Test Objective [name] Description: Reference: Configuration: name

Behaviour





Task 2: Graphical Syntax Examples

Combined Behaviour

Alternative / Parallel / etc.

Interactions

Point-to-point

Broadcast



Further proposals for time operations, atomic behaviour (not shown)

Task 2: Scope of M1 and Beyond

- Targeted for M1:
 - initial syntax proposals for Test architecture, Test behaviour, Time
 - initial draft structure proposal
 - identification of elements that can or shall not be graphically represented
- Feedback appreciated on:
 - level of detail for formal specification
 - need for a graphical syntax meta-model

Task 2: Prototyping and Validation

- Support definition and validation
- Improve STF process
- Different prototyping options evaluated, Sirius selected
 - interpretative, fast prototyping
 - supports DD "in principle"
 - template for sequence diagrams

Task 4: TDL Textual Syntax Analysis

- Understanding ETSI's requirements for a textual syntax
 - review and discussion of notes and input collected during STF 454
 - discussion of CTI proposal based on ITS and GeoNetworking examples
 - focus initial analysis on provided examples, TPLan-like format pushed within ETSI

Task 4: TDL Textual Syntax Analysis

- Target audiences and use cases
 - documentation used in discussions at meetings
 - level of unnecessary technical detail shall be reduced as much as possible
 - input / design for test specifications
 - previously done based on test purpose description (1-2 sentence description of objectives), or on requirements directly
 - current format is considered an improvement over these earlier approaches, has high acceptance among test engineers

Task 4: Examples

5.1.1 TP definition conventions

The TPs are defined by the rules shown in table 2.

Table 2: TP definition rules

| TP Header | | | | |
|----------------|---|--|--|--|
| TP ID | The TP ID is a unique identifier. It shall be specified according to the TP naming conventions defined in clause 5.1.2. | | | |
| Test objective | Short description of test purpose objective according to the requirements from the base standard. | | | |
| Reference | The reference indicates the sub-clauses of the reference standard specifications in which the conformance requirement is expressed. | | | |
| PICS Selection | Reference to the PICS statement involved for selection of the TP. Contains a Boolean expression. | | | |
| TP Behaviour | | | | |
| | The initial conditions defines in which initial state the IUT has to be to apply the actual TP In the corresponding Test Case, when the execution of the initial condition does not succeed, it leads to the assignment of an Inconclusive verdict. | | | |
| | P body) Definition of the events, which are parts of the TP objective, and the IUT are expected to perform in order to conform to the base specification. In the corresponding Test Case, Pass or Fail verdicts can be assigned there. | | | |
| | Definition of the events that the IUT is expected to perform or shall not perform, according to the base standard and following the correct execution of the actions in the expected behaviour above. In the corresponding Test Case, the execution of the final conditions is evaluated for the assignment of the final verdict. | | | |

Task 4: Examples

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ETSI TS 102 868-2 V1.1.1 (2011-03)

```
TP Id
                    TP/CAM/INA/DOP/BV/02
  Test objective
                    Checks that CAM message includes DoorOpen information 30s after closed
    Reference
                    TS 102 637-2 [1], clauses 7.1 and 7.2
 PICS Selection
                    PICS PUBTRANSVEH
                                              Initial conditions
with {
   the IUT being in the "initial state" and
   the IUT having sent a valid CAM message
      containing DoorOpen TaggedValue
                                             Expected behaviour
ensure that {
   when {
      the door is closed
   then {
      the IUT sends CAM messages
         containing DoorOpen TaggedValue during the 30s following the door closing event
```

Task 4: TDL Textual Syntax Analysis

Study TPLan

- determine the extent to which it can be mapped to TDL as a concrete syntax
- determine the extent to which it needs to be mapped to TDL in order to cover the examples from ITS, GeoNetworking, and others
- investigate the limitations of both TDL and TPLan with regard to their integration and prepare suggestions for discussion and adaptation

Task 4: TDL Textual Syntax Analysis

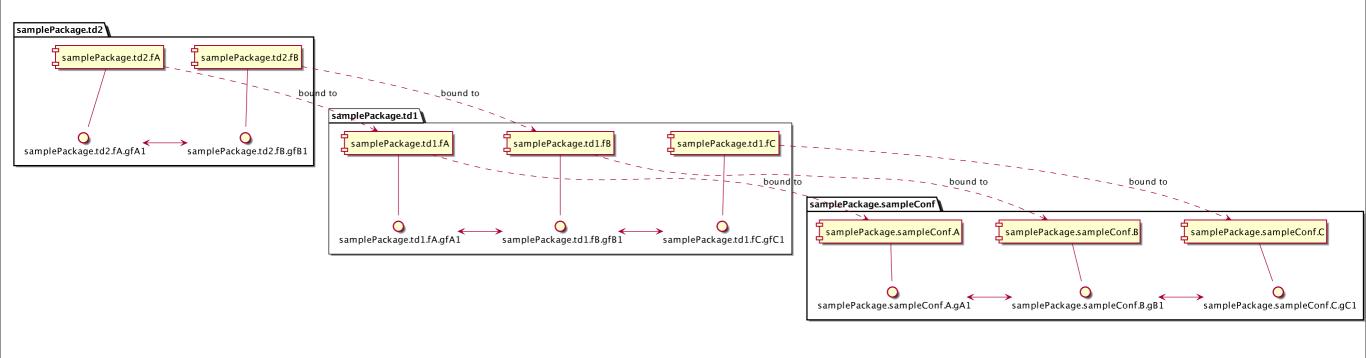
- Evaluate options for mapping to TDL
 - study applicability and constraints of graphical syntax
 - study examples and possible mapping means (direct vs indirect)
 - preliminary analysis indicates indirect mapping as a better, more flexible solution with fewer compromises
 - assess impact and implications of potential restrictions of mappings
 - level of formalisation (and by extension scope of mapping to TDL) pending discussion
- Propose a mapping approach (report, ToR if applicable)

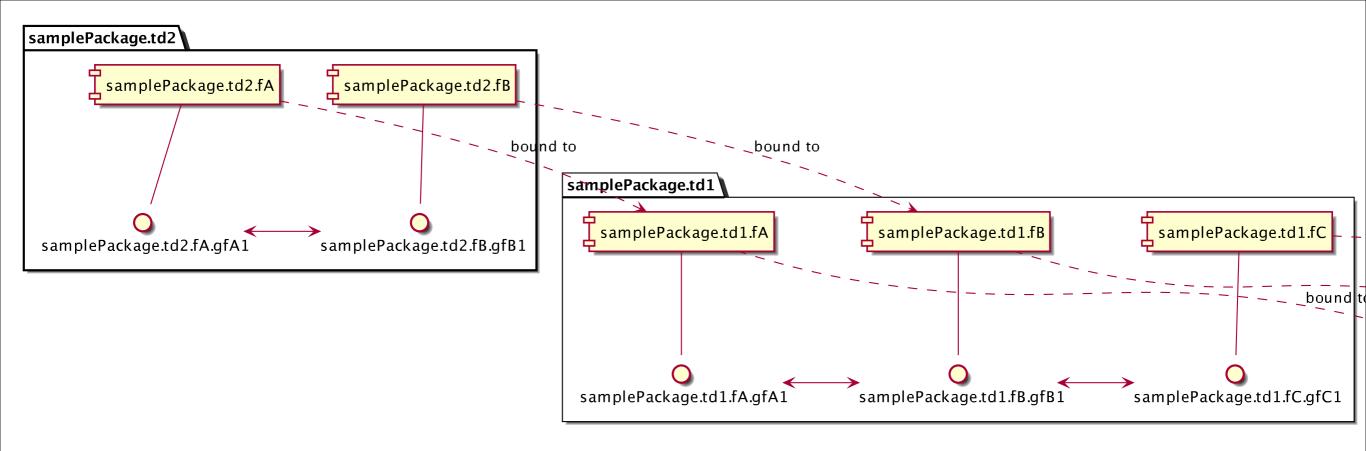
Any Other Business?

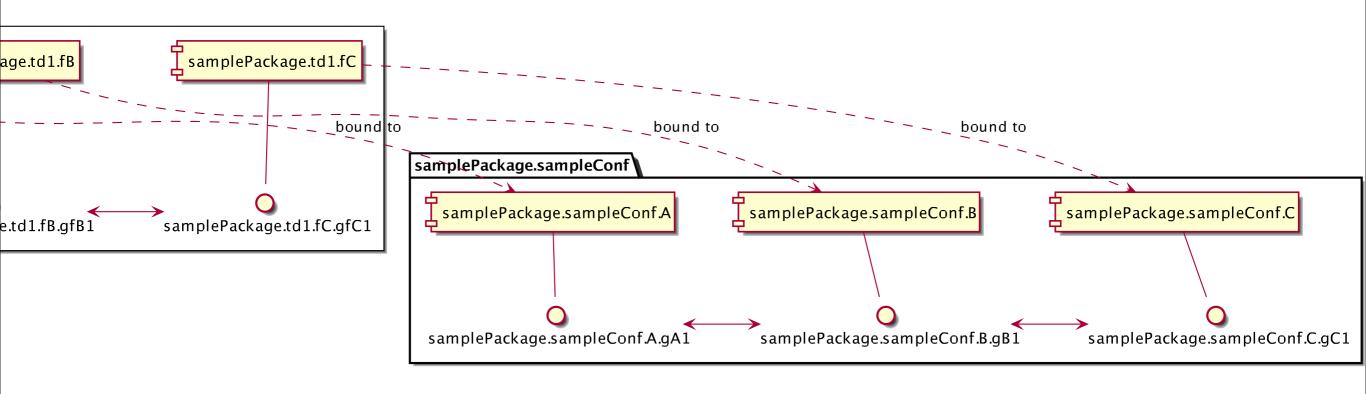
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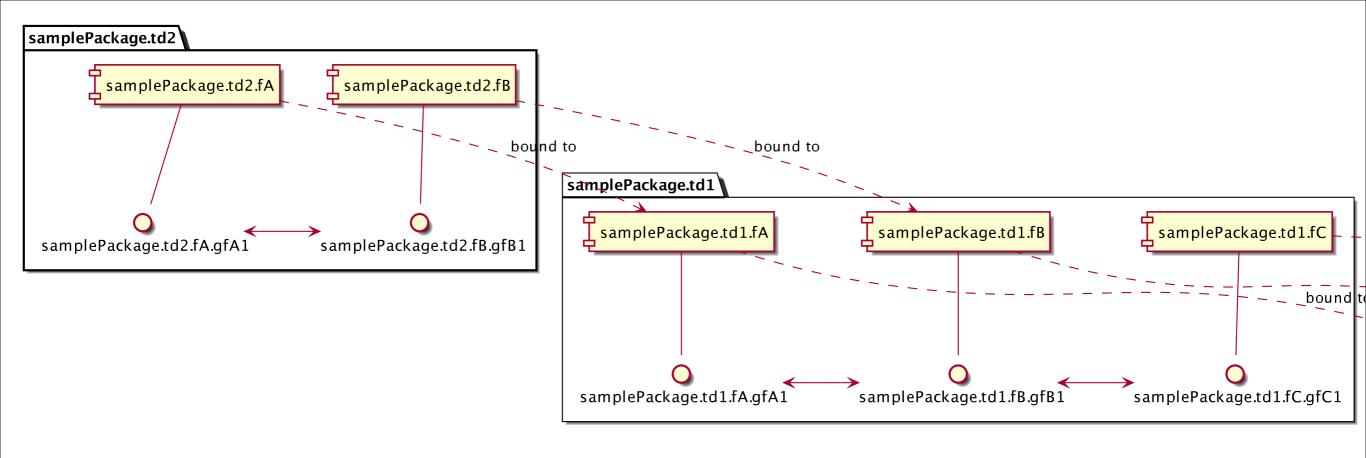
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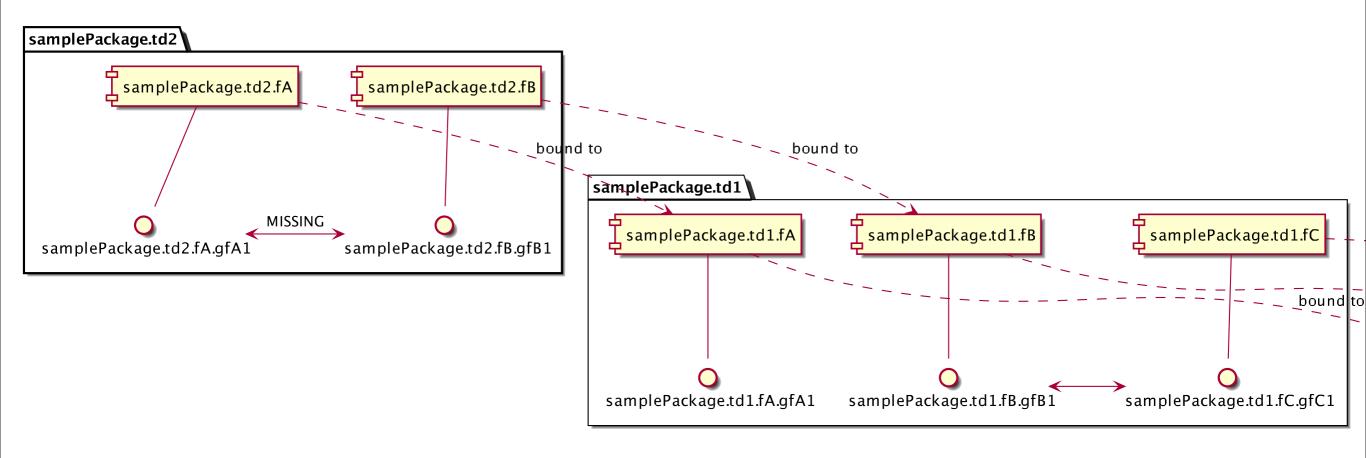
- Parameterisation-based approach (minor meta-model changes)
- Test Descriptions define their own local component instances
 - existing configurations and instances can be reused as copies
 - connections can be explicit (consistent) or implicit (convenient)
- Formal and actual component instances bound in references
 - binding concrete instances at reference time vs declaration time
 - m: n vs 1: n relationships (configuration: test description)

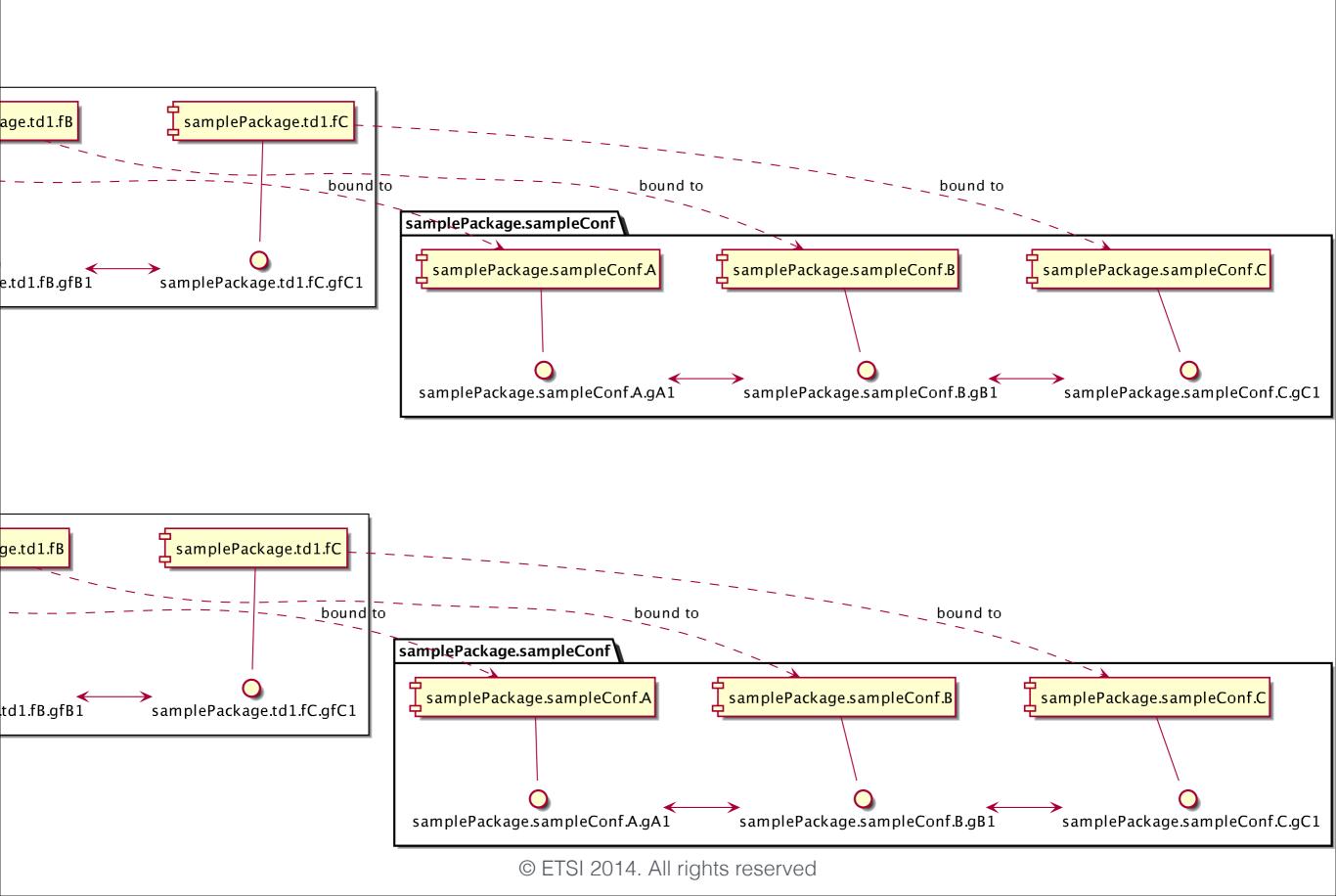












STF 476: Rough Overall Resource Planning and Allocation for 2014

| Description | Goals | 4-day Sessions | 5-day Sessions | Experts |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------|
| First Session (Feb 2014) | Kick off, Post Phase 1, Prep M1 | 16 | 16 | 4 |
| Homework and coordinated sessions | | | | |
| Second Session (Apr 2014) | Finalise M1: Early Drafts | 16 | 20 | 4 |
| Finalisation homework if needed | | | | |
| Third Session (Jun 2014) | Post M1, Prep M2, MFW available | 20 | 25 | 5 |
| Homework and coordinated sessions | | | | |
| Fourth Session (Sep 2014) | Finalise M2: Stable Drafts | 20 | 25 | 5 |
| Finalisation homework if needed | | | | |
| Fifth Session (Oct/Nov 2014) | Post M2, Prep M3 | 20 | 25 | 5 |
| Homework and coordinated sessions | | | | |
| Sixth Session (Dec 2014) | Finalise M3: Final Drafts | 20 | 25 | 5 |
| Finalisation homework if needed | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Milestone 1 | April 2014 | 32 | 36 | |
| Milestone 2 | September 2014 | 40 | 50 | |
| Milestone 3 | December 2014 | 40 | 50 | |
| | | | | |
| Average resources per milestone | | 69,3 | 69,3 | |
| Average contingency per milestone | For homework / session extension | 32,0 | 24,0 | |
| Contingency per milestone per expert | For homework / session extension | 6,4 | 4,8 | |
| | | | | |
| Planned / used resources | | 112 | 136 | |
| Total resources available | | 208 | 208 | |
| Contingency | | 96 | 72 | |
| Per homework session (all experts) | | 16 | 12 | |
| | | | | |

Task 0: STF Process

- Define and set target goals for milestone
 - distributed among experts based on task responsibilities
 - approved by STF
- Execute and refine goals
 - analysis
 - implementation
 - validation

Task 0: Execution

Analysis

- assigned expert understands goal and proposes a conceptual solution
- STF approves conceptual solution
- redo analysis and propose an improved conceptual solution in case of deficiencies
- Implementation
 - assigned expert implements the conceptual solution in the respective document

Task 0: Execution

Validation

- STF reviews the implementation
- prototypical realisation checks technical soundness where applicable
- go back to implementation in case of minor deficiencies
- go back to analysis in case of major deficiencies

Communication STF – SG

- Ensure overall direction of TDL design is OK
- Resolve deadlocks in STF internal discussions by providing guidance and advice
- Assist in developing a roadmap for TDL

TDL Use Cases

| U | Short Description | Example | |
|---|---|--|--|
| Α | TDL for documentation (incl. informal parts) | 3GPP test specs | |
| В | TDL for generation of tests that can be made executable (i.e. all parts are formal) | Automatic mapping of a TDL spec to partial TTCN-3 code | |
| С | TDL for representation of generated tests (i.e. output from MBT tools) | Test cases generated from system models | |
| D | TDL for representation of test logs | Test execution log of a TTCN-3 tool | |
| Е | TDL for test generation (i.e. input to MBT tools) | Test models as activity diagrams | |
| F | TDL for performance testing | On-the-fly testing from a TDL spec | |
| G | TDL for interoperability testing | Use case models, from which tests are derived | |

TDL Feature Description Structure

- TDL feature name (title of sub-clause)
- Overview (covered in early draft)
 - Free description of the feature
- Abstract syntax
 - Representation of the feature and its elements in the meta-model
- Semantics
 - Preferably formal description of the semantics of the feature
- Constraints
 - Constraints on the feature that can be statically analysed
- Classifier description
 - Description of all elements contained in the meta-classes