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# OMG Software Radio Specification and the SCA

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# OMG SWRadio Specification Overview

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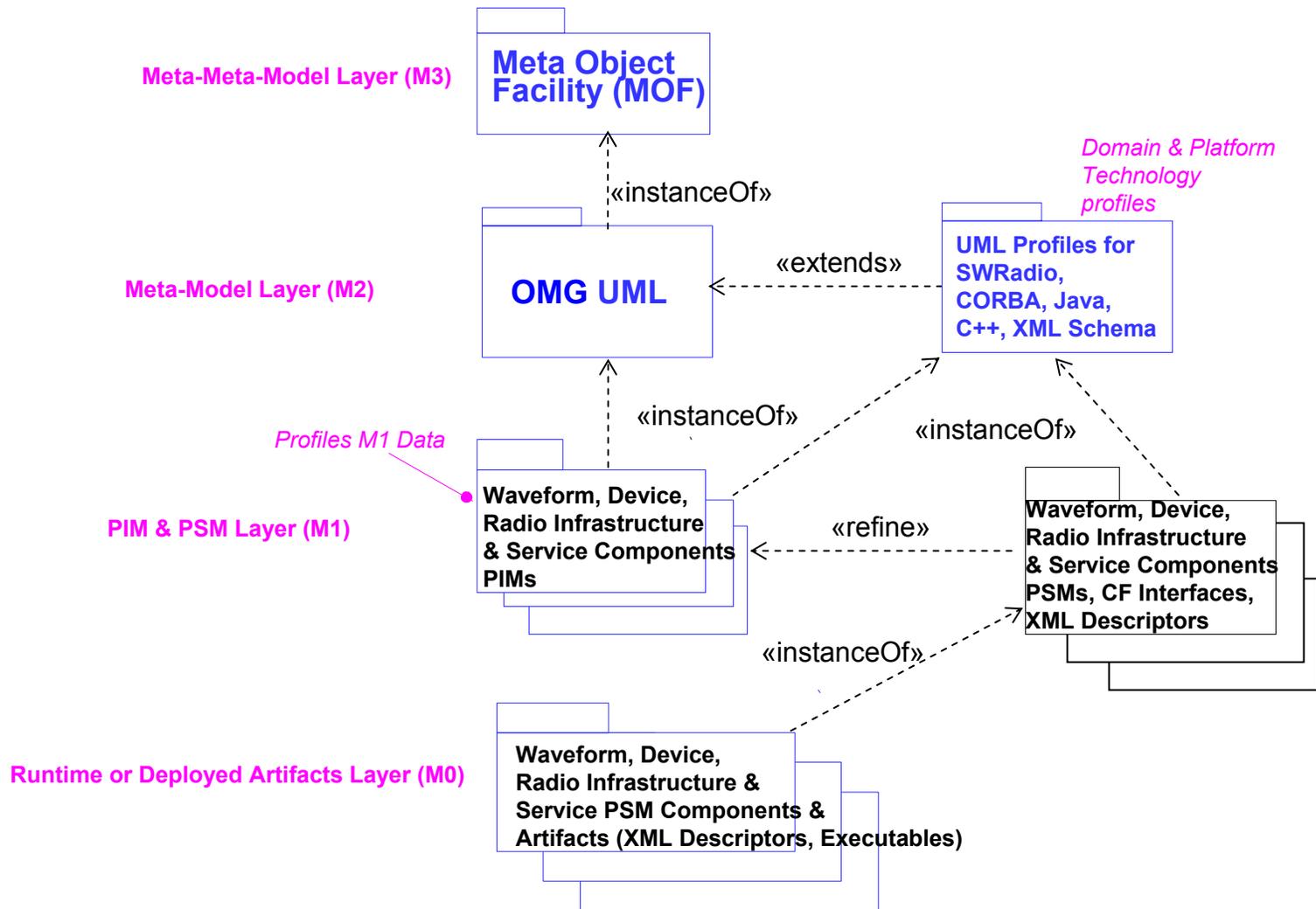
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# SWRadio MDA Principles

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- UML Profile for SWRadio extends UML for SWRadio tool support: validation, system engineering, and SWRadio component development
- PIM has been primarily structured as a set of facilities each addressing a key aspect of SWRadio
- Well-defined set of modeling conventions
  - Naming conventions
  - Modeling conventions
  - Subset of UML notation
  - Specific semantics of this notation in the context of this PIM
- **Conforms to MDA**
  - PIM can be transformed to different component platforms
    - CORBA-PSM, Java-PSM, etc.
- **Compatible with existing OMG standards**
  - MOF
  - UML

# SWRadio MDA Principles, cont'd



# SWRadio Development Viewpoints

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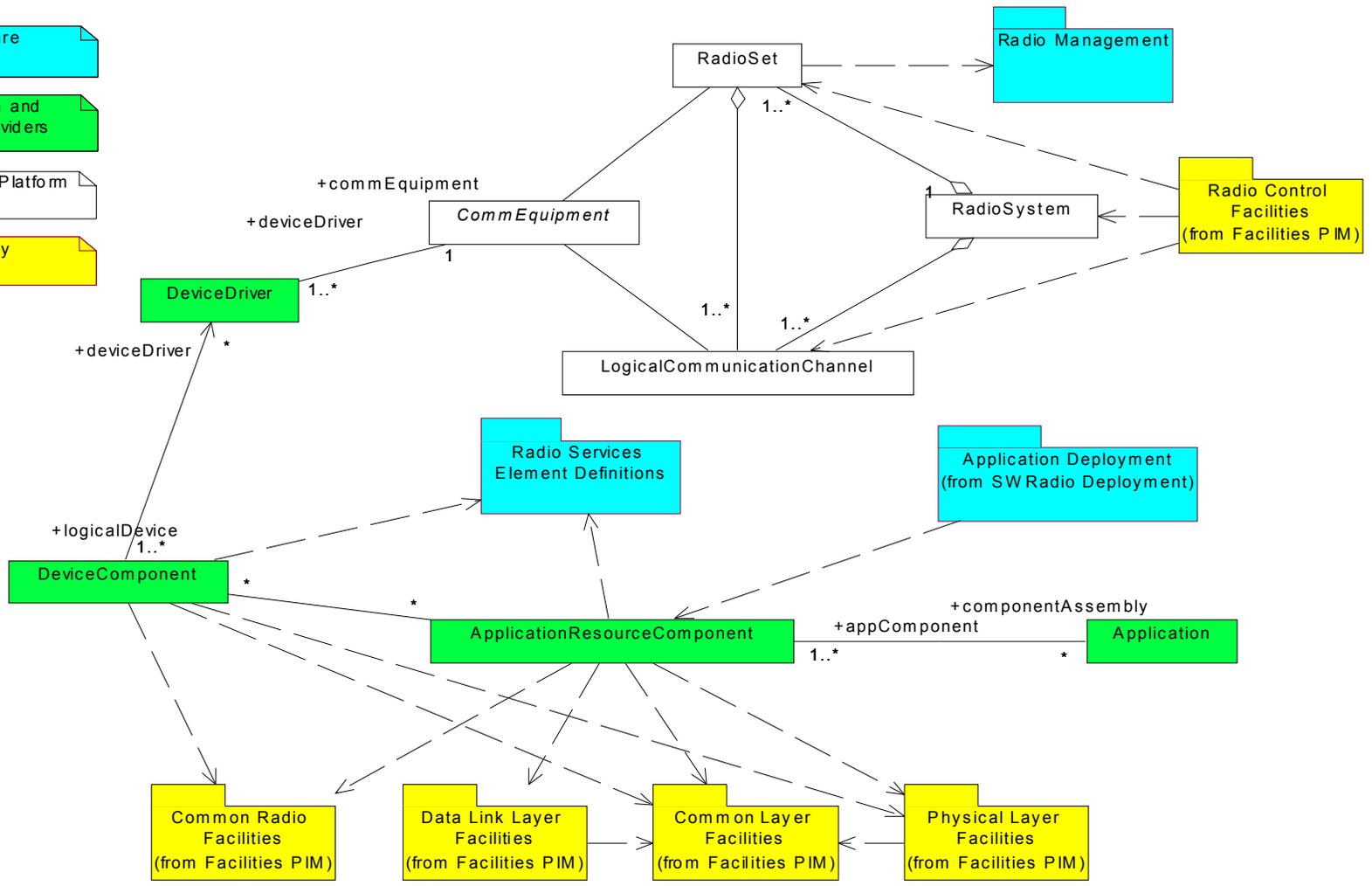


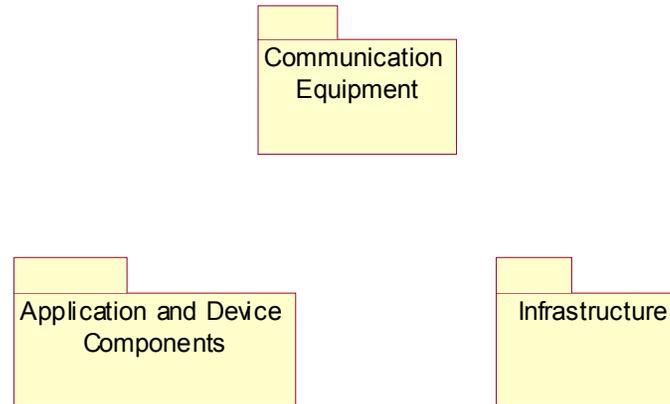
- To address the issues of the different actors involved in SWRadio product developments, the current profile was developed with three main viewpoints in mind:
  - the viewpoint of application and device developers,
  - the viewpoint of infrastructure/middleware providers, and
  - the viewpoint of SWRadio platforms providers.
- These three viewpoints define distinct sets of concepts (and stereotypes) that are required in different contexts.

# SWRadio Development Viewpoints, cont'd



- Infrastructure Providers
- Application and Device Providers
- SW Radio Platform Providers
- PIM Facility





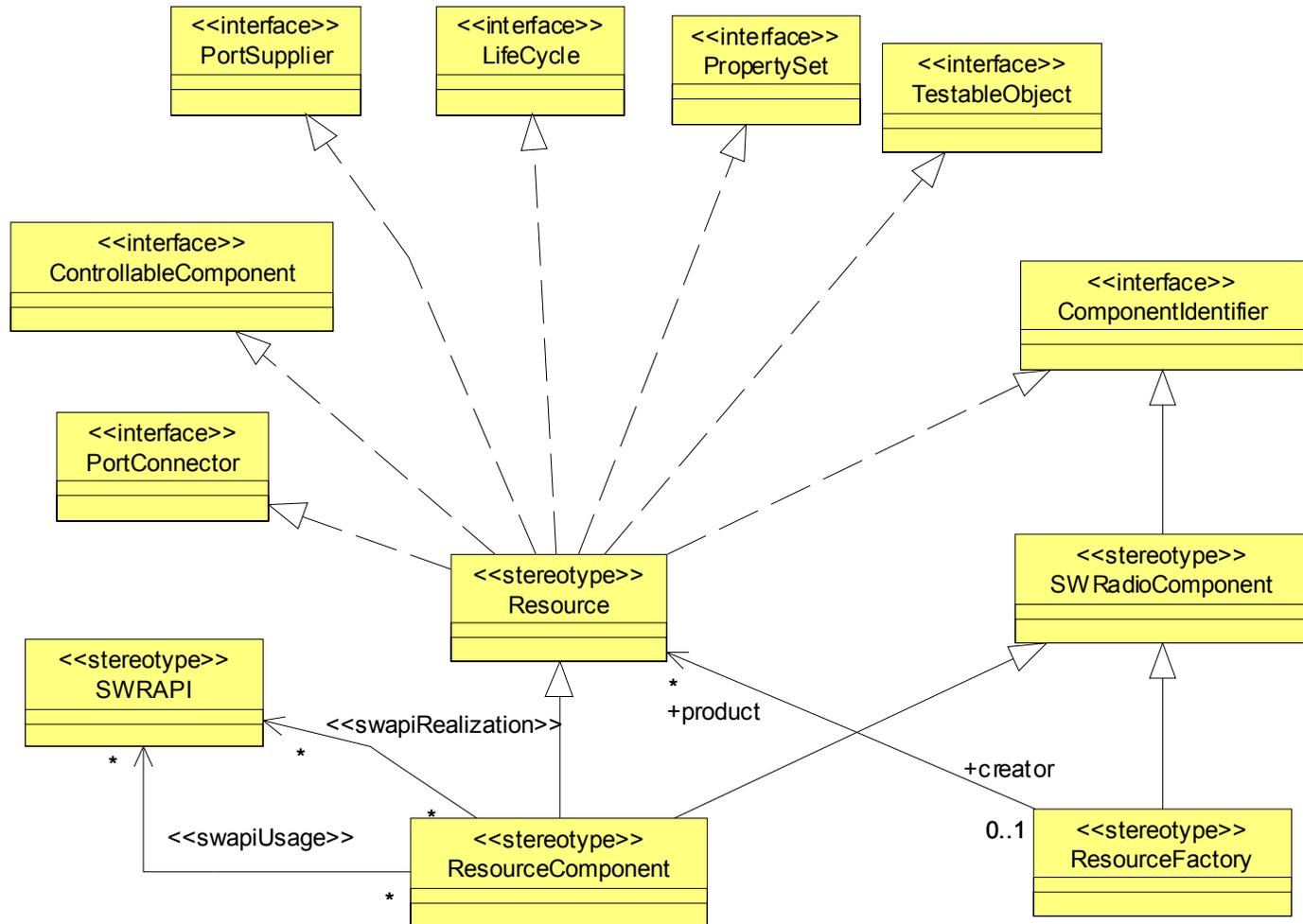
- To be consistent with the three development viewpoints, the UML Profile for SWRadio is partitioned in three main packages:
  - the Applications and Devices Components,
  - the Infrastructure, and
  - the Communication Equipment package.
- Each package defines the set of concepts and UML stereotypes required to perform a specific role in the development of an SWRadio product.

# UML Profile for SWRadio Application & Device Components

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- Application Components
  - Contains the component stereotypes for application developers
  - Application, ApplicationResourceComponent, LayerResource (Data Link, MAC, Physical)
- Base Types
  - Contains the common types for defining SWRadio components.
- Interface & Port Types
  - Contains the port and interface stereotypes for SWRadio interfaces and components
- Device Components
  - Contains the component stereotypes for device developers
  - Logical Device, Loadable and Executable
- Properties
  - Contains property stereotypes for SWRadio components
  - Configure, Query, Characteristic, Capacity
- Resource Components
  - Contains the interface and component stereotypes for waveform and device developers
  - ControllableComponent, LifeCycle, PropertySet, ResourceComponent, etc.

# UML Profile for SWRadio Resource Components



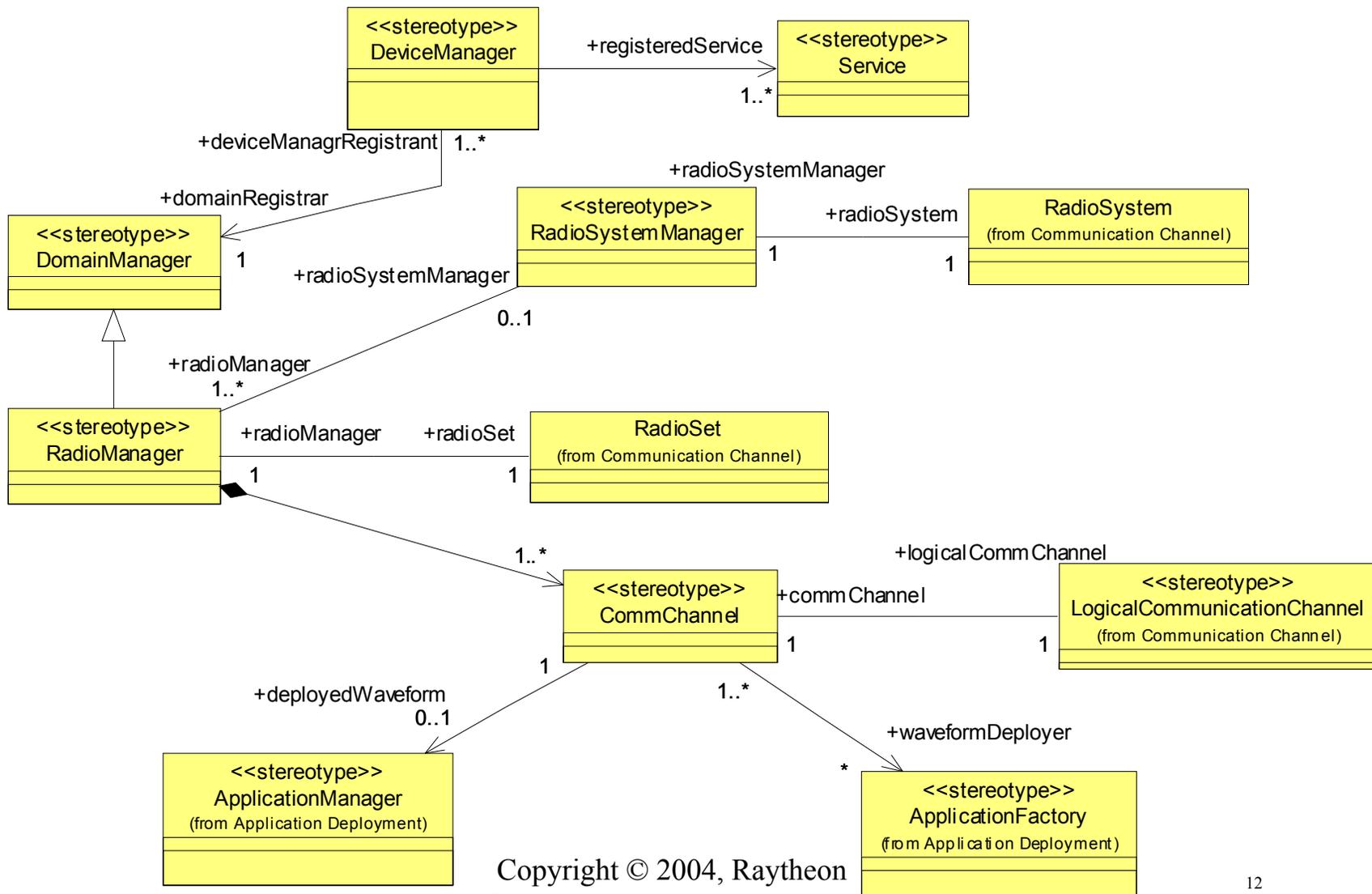
# UML Profile for SWRadio Infrastructure

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- Radio Services
  - Common services within the radio platform that are utilized by applications
  - Managed component service
- Radio Management
  - RadioSet, RadioSystem, and Device Management
- Communication Channel
  - Physical, IO, Security, and Processing Channel
  - Captures the relationships between channels and SWRadio devices
- Application Deployment
  - Components and Artifacts stereotypes for the deployment of:
    - Waveforms on communication channel's distributed devices
    - Radio Services within the Radio Set

# UML Profile for SWRadio Infrastructure, cont'd



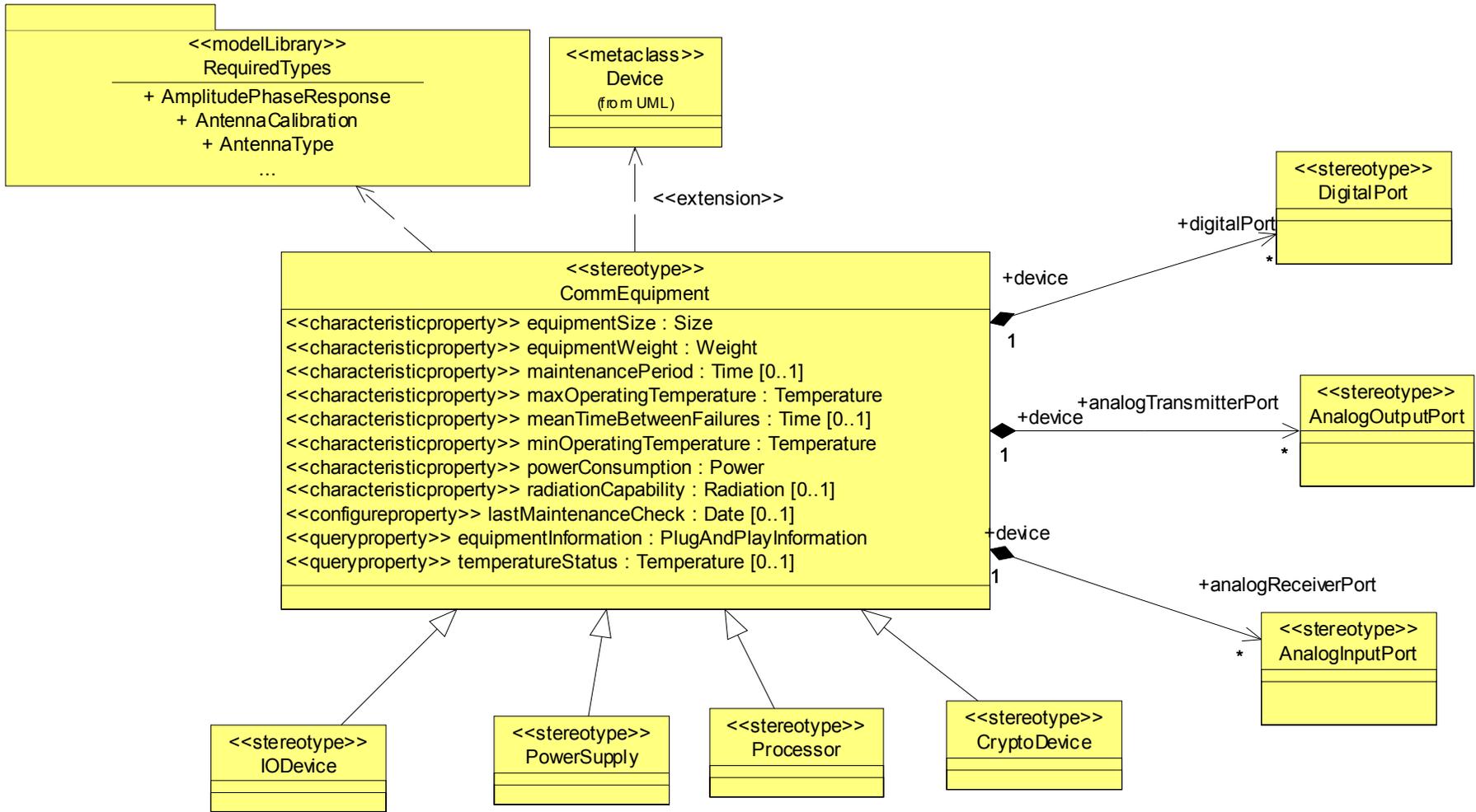
# UML Profile for SWRadio Communication Equipment

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- Stereotypes for SWRadio devices
- Communication Equipment describes the relationships and attributes that are appropriate for radio devices.
  - Crypto Device - performs encryption and decryption on asset of data.
  - I/O Device - describes the relationships and attributes that are appropriate for I/O devices
    - Antenna, Amplifier, Filter, Frequency Converter, audio, serial, etc.
  - Power Supply - provides electrical power to other devices.
  - Processor Device - processes digital or analog data.
- Port Types
  - Analog & Digital
- Property Types
  - Characteristic & Configure

# UML Profile for SWRadio Communication Equipment, cont'd



# SWRadio PIM Facilities

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- Common Radio Facilities
  - Provides common service definitions that are applicable for all applications (waveforms or radio control)
  - File Services, OMG Lightweight Services (log, event, naming, etc.)
- Common Layer Facilities
  - Provides interfaces that cross cut through facilities that correlate to layers. These interfaces can be viewed as building blocks for SWRadio components that realize multiple interfaces.
  - Protocol Data Unit, Error Control, Flow Control, Measurement, Quality of Service, and Stream Facilities

- Data Link Facilities
  - Link Layer Control (LLC) facilities. LLC layer provides facilities to upper layers, for management of communication links between two or more radio sets.
  - Data Link Layer (Connectionless, ConnectionLess Ack, Connection), and Medium Access Control Facilities
- I/O Facilities
  - Defines the configuration properties for Audio and Serial Facilities

- Physical Layer Facilities
  - Modem Facilities
    - The modem facilities include all digital signal processing elements required to convert bits into symbols and vice versa.
  - RF/IF Facilities
    - The RF/IF Facilities is used to configure and control the basic devices of the physical channel. The granularity at which these interfaces are implemented is not specified.
- Radio Control Facilities
  - Provides for interfaces for radio and channel management.

# SWRadio PSM

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- Automatic PSM generation from PIM and profile definitions
  - Transformation rule set specified in the specification
- Platform Specific Model
  - CORBA Modules
    - CF
      - StandardEvent, PortTypes
    - DfSWRadio
      - CommonLayer, DataLinkLayer, CommonRadio, PhysicalLayer, RadioControl
    - DSFileServices
  - XML Schema
    - Properties
    - Communication Channel
    - Physical Layer Properties
  - POSIX
- Other PSMs could be defined

# SCA 2.2.1 Comparison

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- Core Framework IDL Differences
- Properties
- SCA API Supplement vs SWRadio Facilities
- Requirements

# SCA 2.2.1 Comparison – Core Frame IDL Differences

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- Resource Interface Changes
- Device Interface Changes
- DeviceManager Interface Changes
- DomainManager Interface Changes

# Resource Interface Changes – SCA Similarities

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- New Interfaces Derived from Existing Resource Interface
  - ComponentIdentifier Interface
    - Readonly Identifier Attribute
  - ControllableComponent
    - Start and Stop from Resource interface
- Existing Interface
  - LifeCycle

# Resource Interface Changes - SCA Differences

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- New Interface
  - ControllableComponent
    - Added readonly started attribute
- PropertySet
  - Modified PartialConfiguration exception to return reasons for the configure exception.
- TestableObject
  - TestId parameter changed to a string

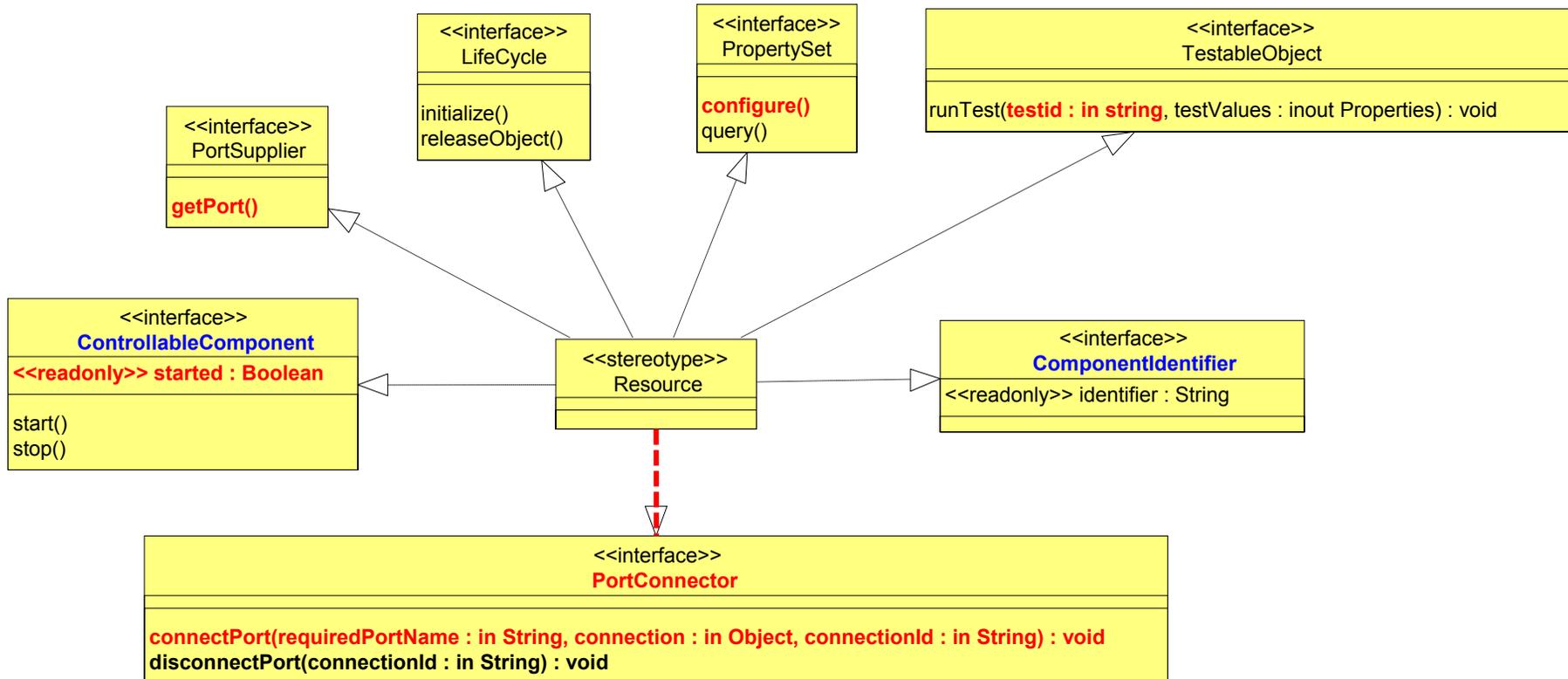
# Resource Interface Changes – SCA Differences , cont'd

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- Port Behavior
  - Change name of Port interface to PortConnector interface
    - Connections managed at the Resource level instead of at the required/uses port level but an implementation can still manage connections at the required port level.
    - ConnectPort Operation
      - added requiredPortName input parameter.
      - Added another error code for InvalidPort exception to indicate the Required Port name does not exist for this component.
  - PortSupplier
    - getPort operation behavior change to only return provided port object references

# Resource Interface Changes - Illustration



- New interface but no impact to existing implementations
- Impact to existing implementations

# Device Interface Changes – SCA Similarities

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- Readonly Attributes
  - Identifier, CompositeDevice, Label, SoftwareProfile, Admin, Operational, Usage
- Capacity Operations
  - allocateCapacity and deallocateCapacity

# Device Interface Changes - SCA Differences

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- New Interface
  - StateManagement
    - The setAdminState operation changed to use a new AdminRequestType and UnsupportedRequest exception.
    - Added readonly states attribute to return all states at once
    - Added readonly admin characteristic supported attribute
    - Optional admin behavior at the profile level
    - Moved the state attributes and types from Device
      - Readonly Attributes: Admin, Operational, Usage
- Device inherits StateMangement interface
- DeviceAggregation
  - Rename AggregateDevice interface

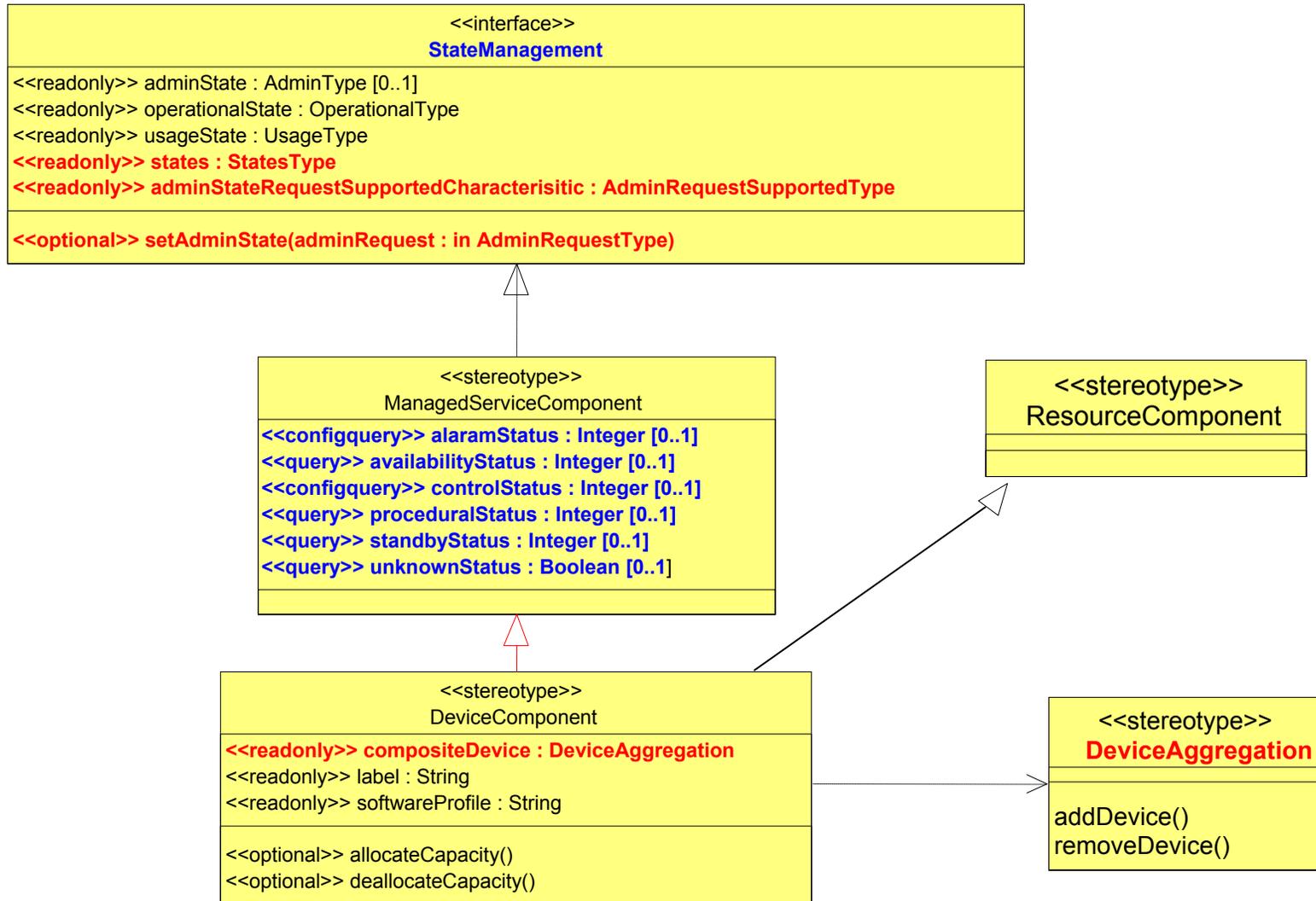
# Device Interface Changes - SCA Differences, cont'd

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- New Optional Configure and Query Properties taken from ISO/IEC International Standard 10164-2.
  - Alarm Status
  - Availability Status
  - Control Status
  - Procedural Status
  - Standby Status
  - Unknown Status

# Device Interface Changes - Illustration



# LoadableDevice Interface Changes

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- Impacted by StateManagement Interface & DeviceAggregation Name Change
- Added Characteristic Properties
  - Loadkind
  - Name and Version Types
    - OS
    - Runtime
    - Library

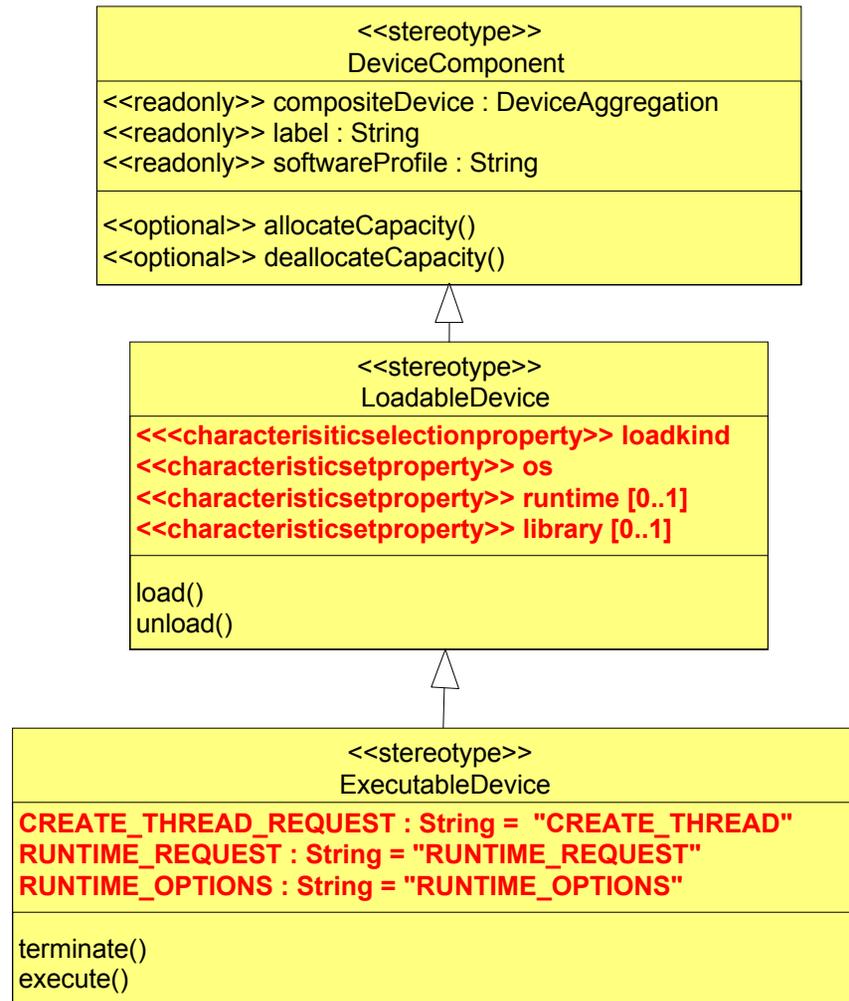
# ExecutableDevice Interface Changes

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- Impacted by StateManagement Interface & DeviceAggregation Name Change
- Additional Execute behavior for Options parameter
  - Added new Options:
    - Runtime Request & Options
      - Creates a runtime environment
    - Thread Create Request
      - Creates a thread in a process

# LoadableDevice and Executable Changes - Illustration



# DeviceManager Interface Changes - SCA Similarities

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- Still supports
  - Attributes
    - Identifier
    - Label
    - Device Configuration Profile
    - File System
    - registeredServices
  - Operations
    - Shutdown
    - GetComponentImplementation

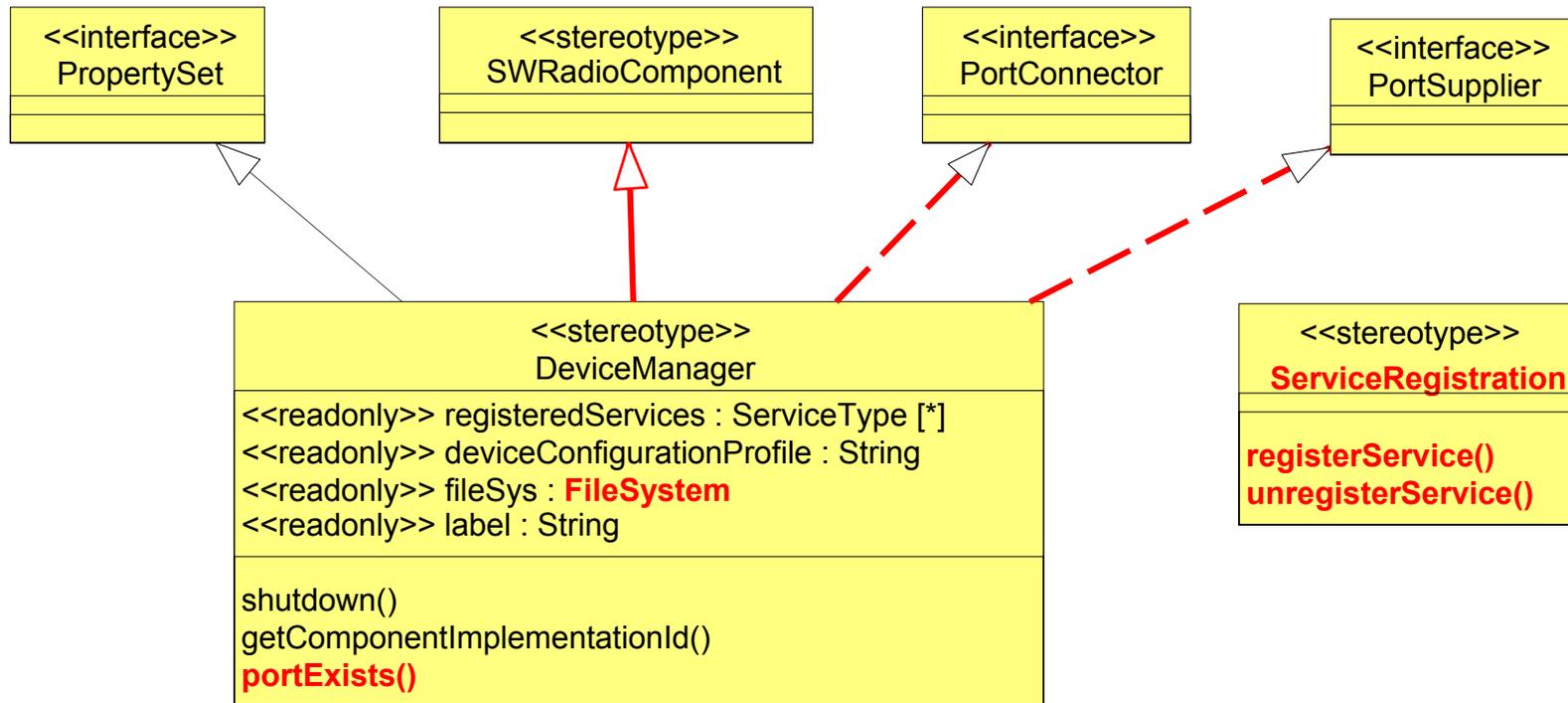
# DeviceManager Interface Changes - SCA Differences

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- New Interface broken out from DeviceManager
  - RegisteredService interface
    - Un/register service operations removed from DeviceManager interface
    - Given out by the DeviceManager to services that are started by the DeviceManager through its configuration profile.
- Added new Operation
  - portExists
    - Use to determine functionality that is supported
- Removed Device un/register operations and registeredDevices attribute
  - Collapsed with service operations behavior
- Port Interface changes as described previously for Resource Interface Changes
  - PortConnector – added at DeviceManager level
  - PortSupplier - Use to to give out functionality that is supported
  - PropertySet
- FileSystem attribute – FileSystem interface different CORBA Module

# DeviceManager Interface Changes - Illustration



# DomainManager Interface Changes - SCA Similarities

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- Attributes
  - Applications
  - Application Factories
  - Device Managers
  - Domain Manager Profile
  - File Manager

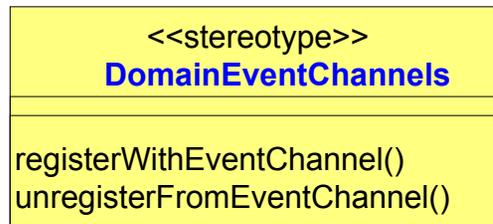
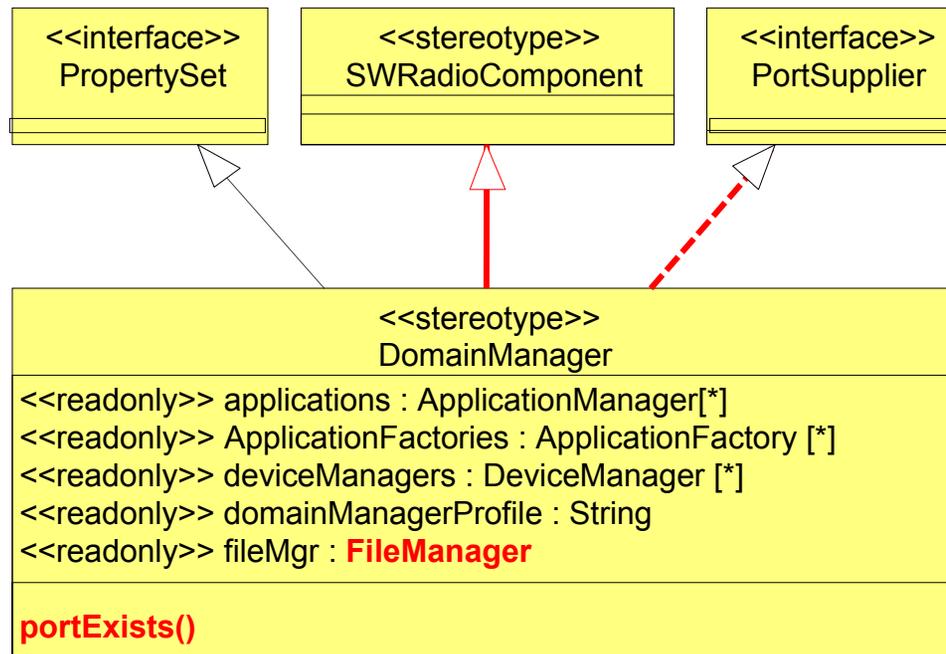
# DomainManager Interface Changes - SCA Differences

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- New Interfaces broken out from DomainManager
  - Domain Event Channels
    - Domain Manager's event channel operations
  - Device Manager Registration
    - Domain Manager's device manager and service registration operations
  - Domain Installation
    - Domain Manager's application installation operations
- Removal of Device registration operations
  - Behavior now part of un/registerService operations
- Added Capability
  - Port Supplier
    - Use to give out functionality that is supported (e.g., optional interfaces that have been broken out from the DomainManager)
  - PortExists
    - Use to determine functionality that is supported. Well-Defined port names for functionality broken out from DomainManager interface
- FileMgr attribute – FileManager interface different CORBA Module

# DomainManager Interface Changes - Illustration



# SCA Service Interfaces

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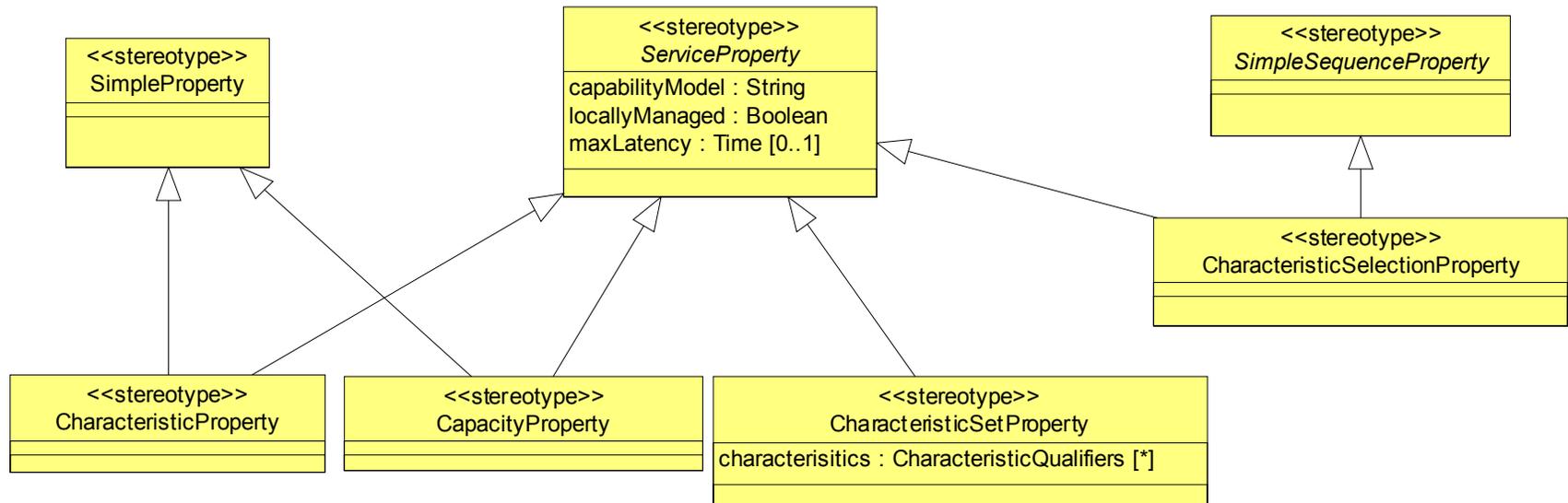
- File Services
  - Own separate module
- PortTypes
  - Module within CF
- StandardEvent
  - Module within CF

# Properties

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- SCA Property Similarities
  - Executable
  - Simple
  - Structure
  - Simple Sequence
  - Structure Sequence
  - Test
- SCA Property Differences
  - Service Property
    - Capacity and Characteristic Property Types
  - Properties PSM is XML Schema

# Properties – Service Properties



- CharacteristicProperty – static characteristic with one value
- CapacityProperty – dynamic capacity
- CharacteristicSelectionProperty – A list of single values supported by a characteristic (e.g., load kind)
- CharacteristicSetProperty – A list of values of the same characteristic (e.g., library, os, runtime), where each value is a list of one or more name/value pairs (e.g., name, version).

# SWRadio Common Layer Facilities vs SCA API Supplement Packet



- Common Layer Facilities maps to SCA API Supplement Packet Building Block Appendix C maps to
  - Equivalent in functionality but interface name, operation name and parameter type changes along with additions
  - PDU maps to Packet interfaces
    - ISimplePDU maps to SimplePacket
    - IPriorityPDU maps to Packet
  - PacketSignals maps to IFlowControlSignaling
  - StatusSignal maps to SignalError
  - Additional PDU Template and Concrete Interfaces in SWRadio

# SWRadio Data Link Layer Facilities vs SCA API Supplement



- Data Link Layer Facilities maps to MAC and Link Layer Control Building Blocks (SCA API Supplement Appendix F and G)
  - Expanded to support other specifications: DLPI specification, OSI reference model, X.200e, IEEE 802 series, 3GPP UMTS and GSM specifications
  - Equivalent in functionality but interface name, operation name and parameter type changes.
    - Local Link Management
    - Connectionless Link
    - Acknowledged Connectionless
      - No user-side specific operations
    - MAC
      - No Transec, MACAddressing, RxTerm interfaces
  - Connection Link – not in the SCA

# SWRadio Physical Layer Facilities vs SCA API Supplement



- Physical Layer Facilities maps to Physical Layer Building Blocks (SCA API Supplement Appendix D and E)
  - Equivalent and expanded functionality with well defined properties and more granularity of interfaces
    - Pseudo Noise (PN) Sequence Generator, Mapper, Interleaver types, transform
    - Average Power, FrequencyConverter, Polarization, FrequencyResponse, RadiationPattern, SampleRate, Switch
  - Based upon PropertySet interface
    - Provides for flexibility that can easily provide for reprogrammable waveform needs since filters, source coding, channel coding, etc. are specific to waveforms.
  - No real-time headers for packets are defined or template interface with generic get and set operations with template type.

# SWRadio I/O Facilities vs SCA API Supplement I/O



- Physical Layer Facilities maps to SCA API Supplement I/O Building Blocks Appendix H
  - Well defined properties for serial and audio
    - No template I/O Configuration interface with generic get and set operations with template configuration type.
  - Relies on Common Layer Facilities (PDU, Flow Control, etc.)
  - Equivalent functionality for I/O control (RTS and PTT) interfaces
  - No Audio Audible Alarms and Alerts Service in SWRadio

# Resource Interface – SWRadio Requirements Modifications

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- The Resource Component has the responsibility to support its port operations
- Component identifier is no longer required to be unique (to be modified)
- Valid properties for the configure operation are no longer specified (to be modified)
- The stop operation no longer has the responsibility of disabling all current operations (pending issue)
- Explicit references for create resource to return CORBA references have been removed (due to platform independent nature of the spec)

# Device Interface – SWRadio Requirements Modifications

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- New Managed Service Component aspect of the Device introduces specific behaviors for the Device (state model actions revised)
- New required behaviors for runtime creation and explicit thread creation (introduction of runtime and thread options)
- Relationship between specification and specific event channels has been severed (publishing an event to an IDM/ODM to be modified)
- The ability to have either a DTD file references or an inline descriptor reference has been removed (in favor of only file references)
- SetAdminState disabled when release object is invoked
- DeallocateCapacity no longer has to set the adminState attribute to locked

# DeviceManager Interface – SWRadio Requirements Modifications



- Formalizes behavior of which items are terminated by shutdown and when the termination occurs
- Introduces a role-based capability and associated behavior to assist in the DeviceManager decomposition and separation of responsibilities (DeviceManager can host Ports)
- Formalizes responsibility of DeviceManager to interact with the Device capacity model (e.g. allocation)
- Devices and Services have been logically grouped with one another (all are Services)
- Identification of specific descriptor files has been removed (DCD is not explicitly mentioned)
- Relationship between the DeviceManager and specific Logs has been severed (registerDevice – service, no longer writes to DomainManager's log)
- FileSystem mount names need to be unique within the DeviceManager

# DomainManager Interface – SWRadio Requirements Modifications



- Introduces a role-based capability and associated behavior to assist in the DomainManager decomposition and separation of responsibilities (DomainManager can host ports)
- Relationship between the DomainManager and specific Logs has been severed (no requirements exist to write specific Log records)
- Identification of specific descriptor files has been removed (DMD is not explicitly mentioned)
- DomainManager no longer has responsibility to create IDM and ODM event channels
- Devices and Services have been logically grouped with one another
- registerService no longer has to validate object references

# Requirements - Summary

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- SCA Core
  - 509 Requirements
- OMG SWRadio Specification
  - UML Profile interface decomposition has introduced “new” requirements into the specifications
    - OMG property related requirements extend and formalize expected behaviors present in the SCA Appendix D text.
  - Platform independence in the OMG SWRadio specification has eliminated the need for a number of the SCA requirements – however it is likely that if an “SCA PSM” were created from the OMG spec it would be appropriate to reintroduce a number of the requirements.
- 449 Requirements
  - 181 new requirements
    - Many of which describe features which exceed SCA capabilities
  - 268 Identical or very similar requirements
  - 241 SCA requirements deleted
    - 73 related to event / log message publishing
    - 53 related to Logical Device / application / Security / descriptors
  - Includes facilities and AEP