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1 Scope

The CubeSat System Reference Model Profile (CSRM Profile) defines the necessary stereotypes (extends SysML) for logical CubeSat space-ground architectures. The profile is intended to promote consistency and interoperability of logical CubeSat space/ground architectures models. The profile is intended to be used as-is or extended.

The CSRM Profile is composed of six sub-profiles:

- **Architecture Structures Profile** - Extends the architectural structures of SysML to include common structure types (extensions of Block) of a CubeSat system.
- **Comments Profile** – Extends the Comment element to facilitate building of reference models with tool and instructional information.
- **Concerns and Requirements Profile** - Extends SysML with new requirement types to accommodate stakeholder needs, missions, and categorized requirements for the structural levels of specification of CubeSats and ground systems.
- **SysML Extensions** - Additional stereotypes similar to and slightly modified from the suggested SysML non-normative extensions found in Annex E: Non-normative Extensions of the OMG Systems Modeling Language specification.
- **Technical Measures Profile** – Extensions of SysML to enhance specification and categorization of technical measures.
- **Validation and Verification Profile** – Extension and enhancement to SysML to facilitate validation (correctness) and verification (testing) of requirements.

An example use of the CSRM Profile, is provided as a non-normative example of a CubeSat System Reference Model template available at: https://github.com/ObjectManagementGroup/CSRM. Files are also included in Dassault Systemes' MDZIP format and as a vendor neutral XMI files as educational attachments The example represents a template and starting elements focused on the United States government and its regulatory environment. Although the example is for the United States, the CSRM profile is government agnostic. Our goal is to add additional examples of the CSRM template with other regulatory context in the future (like the European Union and its European Space Agency).

This release of the CSRM Profile contains the stereotypes and some constraints. It is expected that future versions will extend the profile with additional constraints and stereotypes to aid in consistency and coverage of CubeSat space/ground domains.

2 Conformance

Conformant implementations must implement the CSRM Profile in its entirety. Ideally, the Profile should be usable "as-is" however implementers may extend the profile as needed.

3 References

The profile file contains icons for most of the stereotypes. These icons are educational examples that may be replaced with implementation-specific versions. As an aid to implementers, a collection of Scalable Vector Graphic (SVG) files used for the current icons in the profile (currently embedded as encoded SVG) are included as an educational attachment that may be used as a starting point for implementers to create specific icons.

3.1 Normative References

The following normative documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this specification. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply.

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3.2 Non-normative References

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4 Terms and definitions

The following are acronyms, references and terms that are used in the CSRM.

For a detailed understanding of the CubeSat domain and related terms, see the non-normative references.

Table 1: Acronyms

Term	Description
ConOps	Concept of Operations
CSRM	CubeSat System Reference Model
KPP	Key Performance Parameter
MOE	Measure of Effectiveness
MOP	Measure of Performance
RFP	Request for Proposal
SysML	Systems Modeling Language
TPM	Technical Performance Measure
UML	Unified Modeling Language
XMI	XML Metadata Interchange

5 Symbols and Abbreviations

The specification uses the same Symbology of UML.

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6 CSRM Profile (Normative)

The CSRM Profile contains the sub-profiles of the CubeSat System Reference Model (CSRM) Profile. The purpose of extensions is to add metadata, aid in dynamic reporting/analysis, validate a model's composition, and aid in grouping.

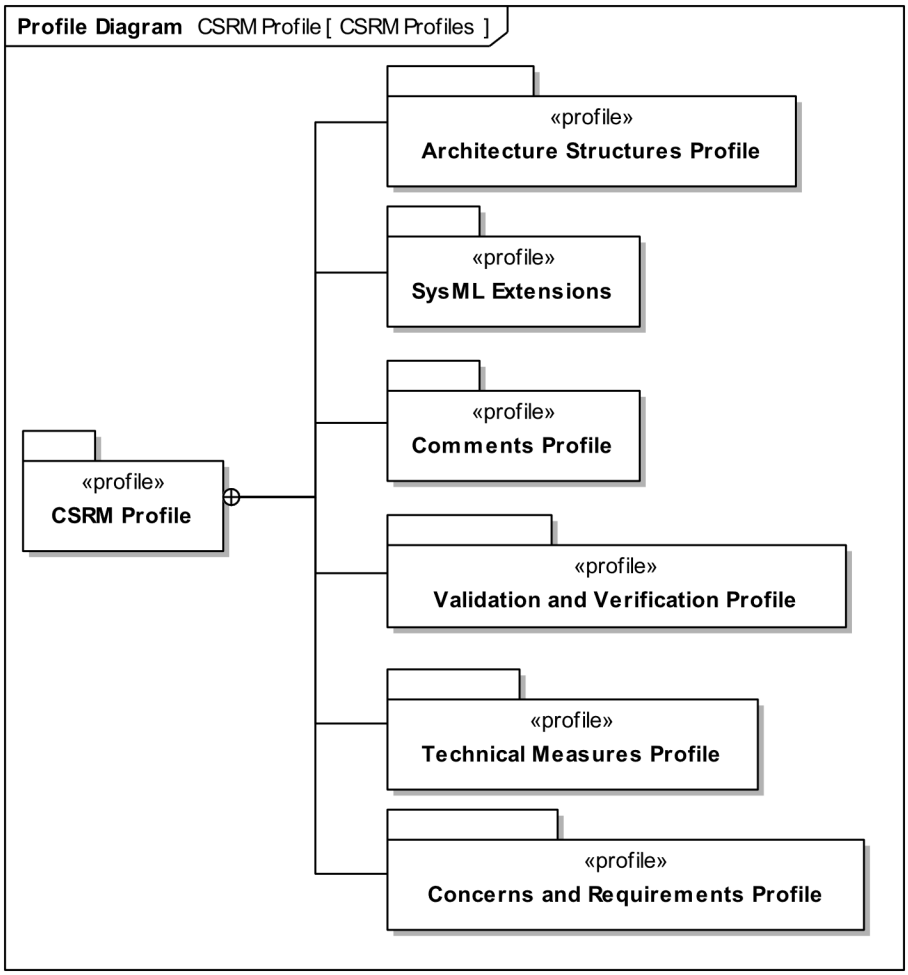

Figure 1: CSRM Profiles

The CSRM Profile diagram documents the sub-profiles contained in the CSRM Profile.

6.1 Concerns and Requirements Profile

The Concerns and Requirements Profile contains extensions to add requirement types common to CubeSat Systems and a replacement of SysML's «Stakeholder» to improve that traceability of Stakeholders to concerns.

The intent of this design to extend the requirement types of SysML is to support a top down analysis from the stakeholders' high-level requirements through each level of detail in the architecture.

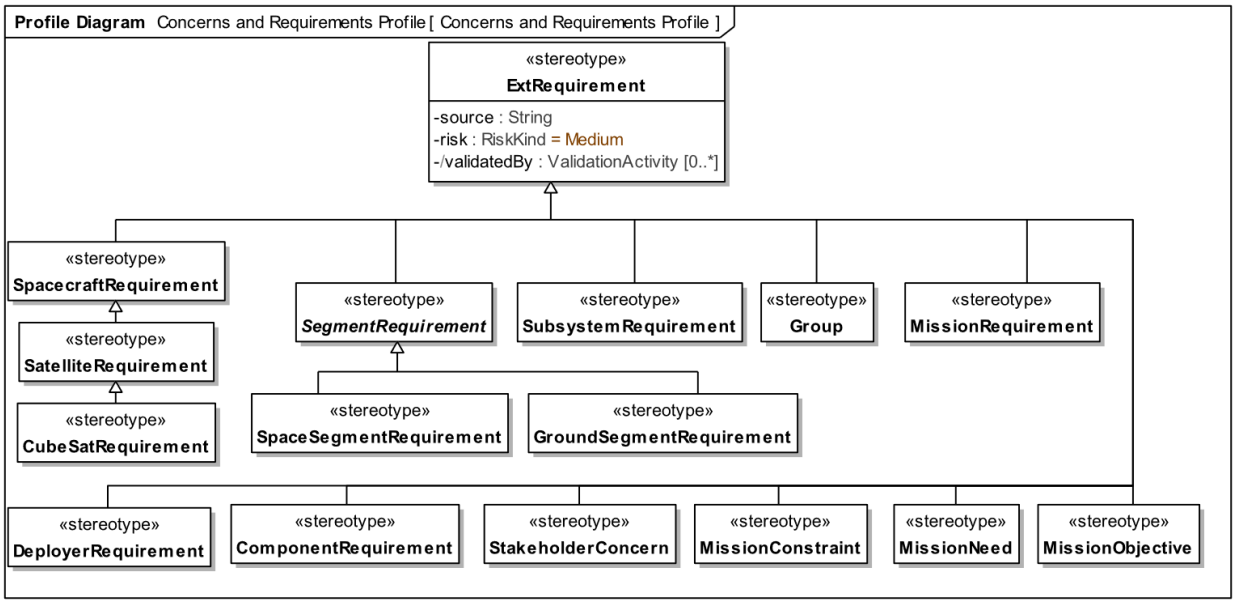

Figure 2: Concerns and Requirements Profile

The Concerns and Requirements Profile contains extensions to better classify requirements for CubeSat systems.

6.1.1 StakeholderConcern

Description

«StakeholderConcern» is an interest in a system relevant to one or more of its stakeholders. A stakeholder concern could be manifest in many forms, such as one or more stakeholder needs, goals, expectations, responsibilities, requirements, design constraints, assumptions, dependencies, quality attributes, architecture decisions, risks, or other issues.

A Stakeholder can have multiple «StakeholderConcern»s, and a single «StakeholderConcern» can be shared by numerous «Stakeholder»s. The «ConcernOf» dependency relates «Stakeholder» to corresponding «StakeholderConcern».

«StakeholderConcern» are high-level requirements that specific requirements are derived.

The 'Text' attribute of «AbstractRequirement» is used to document the stakeholder concern.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.2 MissionObjective

Description

«MissionObjective» is one of a broad set of goals that must be achieved to successfully satisfy the stated mission need, such as the purpose to be achieved, product to be produced, or a service to be performed.

«MissionObjective» are derived from «MissionNeed» or «StakeholderConcern». A «MissionObjective» is usually not satisfied directly but one or more «MissionRequirement» are created (derived) to translate to requirements that are then satisfied by a part of the design.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.3 MissionNeed

Description

«MissionNeed» is a concise description of a need or service that the system must provide. It should be solution-independent and only describe the problem the system is supposed to solve. The mission need is the main driver of the architecture.

«MissionNeed» is satisfied by one or more «Mission» or by one or more of its sub-elements. «MissionObjective» are derived from «MissionNeed». «MissionConstraint» can be used as a derived constraint of the «MissionNeed» that limits the scope of the «MissionNeed».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.4 MissionConstraint

Description

«MissionConstraint» is a limitation placed on cost, schedule, or implementation techniques available to the system designer. It is typically fixed and not subject to trades, e.g., mission budget and schedule.

«MissionConstraint» can be satisfied by any element that is a subject to the constraint. Alternatively, «PerformanceRequirement» or specialization (like «moeRequirement») can be created and derived from the «MissionConstraint» and then the «PerformanceRequirement» is then satisfied by a corresponding value property.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.5 MissionRequirement

Description

«MissionRequirement» is a statement of facts and assumptions that define expectations on the system's capabilities in terms of mission objectives, environment, constraints, and measures of effectiveness (MoE). «MissionRequirement» are satisfied by «Mission» or one or more of its sub-elements and or derived further into «SpaceSegmentRequirement» and

«GroundSegmentRequirement». «MissionRequirement» are derived from «MissionObjective» or directly derived from mission needs/constraints or stakeholder concerns.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.6 CubeSatRequirement

Description

«CubeSatRequirement» is a requirement specific to a «CubeSat» needed to design and operate the «CubeSat» or its parts.

«CubeSatRequirement» is a kind of Requirement on the CubeSat system satisfied by the «CubeSat» or by one or more of its sub-elements.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Concerns and Requirements Profile::SatelliteRequirement

6.1.7 GroundSegmentRequirement

Description

«GroundSegmentRequirement» is a requirement specific to a «GroundSegment» needed to design and operate the «GroundSegment» or its parts. «GroundSegmentRequirement» is a requirement of satisfied by a «GroundSegment» or by one or more of its sub-elements.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Concerns and Requirements Profile::SegmentRequirement

6.1.8 SubsystemRequirement

Description

«SubsystemRequirement» is a requirement specific to a «Subsystem» needed to design and operate a «Subsystem» or its parts. «SubsystemRequirement» is a requirement satisfied by a «Subsystem» or by one or more of its sub-elements.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.9 ComponentRequirement

Description

«ComponentRequirement» is a requirement specific to a «Component» needed to design and operate the «component» or its parts. «ComponentRequirement» is a requirement Satisfied by a «Component» or by one or more of its sub-elements.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.10 DeployerRequirement

Description

«DeployerRequirement» is a requirement specific to a «CubeSatDeployer» needed to design and operate the «CubeSatDeployer» or its parts. «DeployerRequirement» is a requirement satisfied by a «CubeSatDeployer» or by one or more of its sub-elements.

Note that the Deployer in this case is referring to the Deployer mechanism, not an organization.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.11 SpaceSegmentRequirement

Description

«SpaceSegmentRequirement» is a requirement specific to a «SpaceSegment» needed to design elements of the «SpaceSegment» and operate the «SpaceSegment» parts. «SpaceSegmentRequirement» is a requirement satisfied by a «SpaceSegment» or one or more composed-elements.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Concerns and Requirements Profile::SegmentRequirement

6.1.12 Group

Description

«Group» is used to organize requirements into nested hierarchies. A «Group» has nested (owns as nested classifiers) requirements that are categorized by the name of the «Group». «Group» owned requirements are not sub-requirements as described by SysML (see 16.3.2.5 Requirement or the SysML specification).

A model may have many «Group» elements. For example, as a part of a larger set of requirements, some are contained (owned) in a «Group» named 'Functional Requirements' and another «Group» might be called 'Regulatory', each would own requirements related to those categories.

«Group» facilitates a de facto pattern in which hierarchical organization of requirements with some requirements only having a name with the text attribute blank to imply that they are used to categorize requirements. Using requirements in that manner can be confusing as there is no true indicator of the intent. «Group» designates the requirement element as organizational, preventing such confusion.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.13 SpacecraftRequirement

Description

«SpacecraftRequirement» is a system requirement needed to design and operate a spacecraft and/or its subsystems.

«SpacecraftRequirement»is a requirement satisfied by one or more kind of «Spacecraft».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.14 SegmentRequirement

Description

«SegmentRequirement» is an abstract requirement that is satisfied by a «Segment» or its parts. Note that «SegmentRequirement» is a base type for «SpaceSegmentRequirement» and «GroundSegmentRequirement» and it is expected to only be used when creating a specific kind of «SegmentRequirement».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.1.15 SatelliteRequirement

Description

«SatelliteRequirement» is a requirement of a satellite system needed to design and operate a satellite and/or its subsystems. «SatelliteRequirement» is satisfied by a «Satellite» or one or more of its sub-elements.

«SatelliteRequirement» is derived from «SpaceSegmentRequirement» or directly derived from mission needs/objectives/constraints or stakeholder concerns.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Concerns and Requirements Profile::SpacecraftRequirement

6.2 Technical Measures Profile

The Technical Measures Profile adds extensions to the SysML profile for KPP, TPM, and MoE. The profile also adds «MeasurementSpecification» and its specializations which are used to define and describe measures.

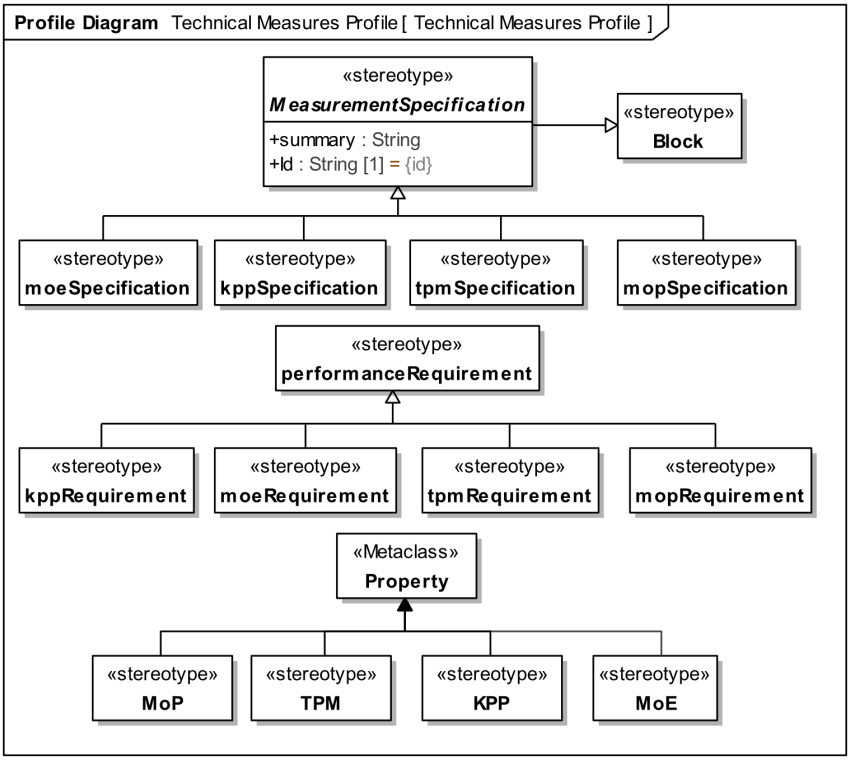

Figure 3: Technical Measures Profile

The Technical Measures Profile diagram shows extensions of the SysML profile for identifying value property types KPP, MoP, TMP, and MoE with corresponding requirements and measurement specifications.

6.2.1 moeSpecification

Description

The Measure of Effectiveness (MoE) Specification («moeSpecification») specifies attributes of a system that determine how well the system element is satisfying or expected to satisfy technical requirements.

«moeSpecification» is a «Block» that specifies a technical measure, constraints, and measurement activities used to provide insight into the progress made in the definition and development of the technical solution, risks, and issues. «moeSpecification» may refine «MissionNeed».

The «moeSpecification» captures Stakeholder descriptions of operational measures of success that are satisfied by «MoE» properties.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Technical Measures Profile::MeasurementSpecification

6.2.2 mopSpecification

Description

The Measure of Performance (MoP) Specification «mopSpecification» specifies attributes of a system that determine how well the system element is satisfying or expected to satisfy technical requirements. «mopSpecification» is a «Block» that specifies a technical measure, constraints, and measurement activities used to provide insight into the progress made in the definition and development of the technical solution, risks, and issues.

The «mopSpecification» captures Stakeholder descriptions of physical or functional attributes relating to system operation that are to be transformed into one or more MoPs.

«mopSpecification» may refine MoE or KPP Specifications.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Technical Measures Profile::MeasurementSpecification

6.2.3 tpmSpecification

Description

The Technical Performance Measure (TPM) Specification specifies attributes of a system that determine how well the system element is satisfying or expected to satisfy technical requirements. «tpmSpecification» is a «Block» that specifies a technical measure, constraints, and measurement activities used to provide insight into the progress made in the definition and development of the technical solution, risks and issues. «tpmSpecification» refine «tpmRequirement».

«tpmSpecification» may refine «mopSpecification».

Generalization:

- SRM Profile::Technical Measures Profile::MeasurementSpecification

6.2.4 MOP

Description

The «MoP» stereotype represents a performance property of a system (or other element). The «MoP» stereotype is applied to a «ValueProperty» element to mark the property as a Measure of performance (MoP). MoP is an engineering performance measure that provides a value necessary for meeting a Measure of Effectiveness (MoE). «MoP» satisfy «mopRequirement».

6.2.5 TPM

Description

The «TPM» stereotype represents a performance property of a system (or other element). Technical Performance Measure (TPM) of the attributes of a system element to determine how well the system element is satisfying or expected to satisfy specified technical requirements. They are based on the driving requirements or technical parameters of high risk or significance, e.g., mass, power, or data rate. Actual versus planned progress of TPMs are tracked so the systems engineer or project manager can assess progress and the risk associated with each TPM.

6.2.6 kppSpecification

Description

«kppSpecification» is a «Block» that specifies a technical measure, constraints, and measurement activities used to provide insight into the progress made in the definition and development of the technical solution, risks, and issues.

«kppSpecification» is a refinement of a Key Performance Parameter (KPP) requirement of a «Block». KPPs are a critical subset of Technical Measures representing the most critical capabilities and characteristics.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Technical Measures Profile::MeasurementSpecification

6.2.7 KPP

Description

Key Performance Parameter (KPP) represents a performance property of a system (or other element). KPPs are a critical subset of Technical Measures representing the most critical capabilities and characteristics. The «KPP» stereotype is applied to a «ValueProperty» of a «Block». «KPP» Satisfy «kppRequirtement».

The «KPP» stereotype applied to a value property of a Block.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Technical Measures Profile::MeasurementSpecification

6.2.8 MeasurementSpecification

Description

Measurement Specification is a «Block» that specifies a technical measure, constraints, and measurement activities used to provide insight into the progress made in the definition and development of the technical solution, risks, and issues.

The «MeasurementSpecification» is an abstract stereotype that is the base for defining specific measurement specifications. This is an extension of «Block» to allow the full capability of a «Block» to be used in the specification of a measurement.

A MeasurementSpecification are intended to be Validated by a ValidationActivity.

Generalization:

- SysML::Blocks::Block

Attributes:

- id:String[1] - The unique id of the MeasurementSpecification.
- Summary: String - The summary is a textual description of constraints, and measurement activities used to provide insight into the progress made in the definition and development of the technical solution, risks, and issues.

6.2.9 mopRequirement

Description

A Measure of Performance (MoP) Requirement («mopRequirement») is a requirement specific to a «MoP» property that specifies performance criteria for the element. «mopRequirement» is a type of Performance Requirement («performanceRequirement») that is satisfied by a «MoP» property of a «Block».

In a «refine», the «mopSpecification» is the supplier property and the client property is a «mopRequirement». In a «satisfy», the «mopRequirement» is the supplier property and the client property is a «MoP».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::performanceRequirement

6.2.10 tpmRequirement

Description

A Technical Performance Measure (TPM) Requirement («tpmRequirement») is a requirement specific to a «TPM» property that specifies performance criteria for the element. «mopRequirement» is a type of Performance Requirement («performanceRequirement») that is satisfied by a «TPM» property of a «Block».

In a «refine», the «tpmSpecification» is the supplier property and the client property is a «tpmRequirement». In a «satisfy», the «tpmRequirement» is the supplier property, and the client property is a «TPM».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::performanceRequirement

6.2.11 moeRequirement

Description

A Measure of Performance (MoE) Requirement («moeRequirement») is a requirement specific to a «MoE» property that specifies performance criteria for the element. «moeRequirement» is a type of Performance Requirement («performanceRequirement») that is satisfied by a «MoE» property of a «Block».

In a «refine», the «moeSpecification» is the supplier property, and the client property is a «moeRequirement». In a «satisfy», the «moeRequirement» is the supplier property, and the client property is a «MoE».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::performanceRequirement

6.2.12 kppRequirement

Description

A Key Performance (KPP) Requirement («kppRequirement») is a requirement specific to a «KPP» property that specifies performance criteria for the property. «kppRequirement» is a type of Performance Requirement («performanceRequirement») that is satisfied by a KPP property of a «Block».

In a «refine», the «kppSpecification» is the supplier property, and the client property is a «kppRequirement». In a «satisfy», the «kppRequirement» is the supplier property, and the client property is a «KPP».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::performanceRequirement

6.3 Architecture Structures Profile

This profile extends the architectural structures of SysML to include common structure types (extensions of Block) of CubeSat system.

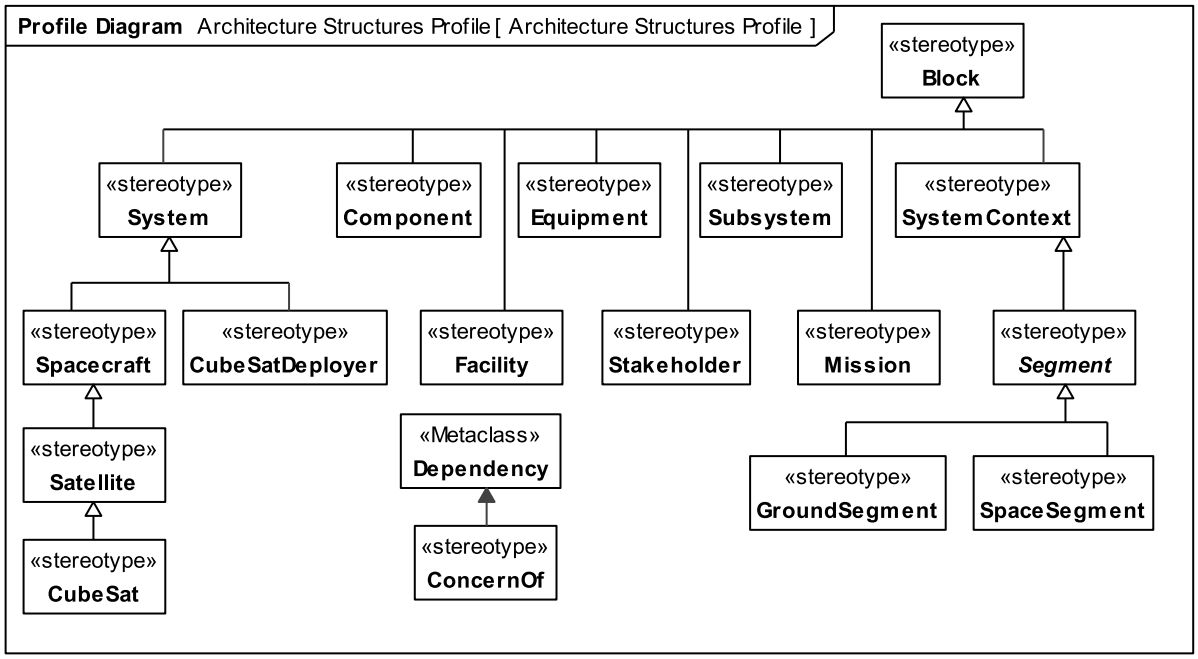

Figure 4: Architecture Structures Profile

The Architecture Structures Profile diagram shows the structural extensions added to the SysML profile used to enhance SysML for CubeSat design.

6.3.1 Component

Description

The «Component» is a type of «Block» that is a part of a subsystem element such as a hardware component, software, or procedures. «Component» satisfies «ComponentRequirement».

Generalization:

- SysML::Blocks::Block

6.3.2 Segment

Description

A «Segment» is one of the parts into which something naturally separates or is divided. The «Segment» is abstract and intended to be implemented as a specific kind of segment like «GroundSegment» and «SpaceSegment».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::System context

6.3.3 CubeSat

Description

The «CubeSat» is a type of «Satellite». A CubeSat follows the CubeSat form-factor established in 1999 by California Polytechnic State University and Stanford University.

«CubeSat» is a part of a «SpaceSegment» and satisfies one or more «CubeSatRequirement».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Architecture Structures Profile::Satellite

6.3.4 Facility

Description

A «Facility» is a place, amenity, or piece of equipment provided for a particular purpose.

A «Facility» may be a part of another «Facility». Generally «Facility» is part of a «GroundSegment».

Generalization:

- SysML::Blocks::Block

6.3.5 Equipment

Description

«Equipment» is a type of «Block» used to represent tools, machines, or other items required for a particular job or activity. Generally «Equipment» are part of a «Facility».

Generalization:

- SysML::Blocks::Block

6.3.6 Stakeholder

Description

A «Stakeholder» is a «Block» representing any entity (individual or organization) that has an interest in the system. Typical stakeholders include users, operators, decision-makers, parties to the agreement, regulatory bodies, developing agencies, support organizations, and society at large. Stakeholders can also represent an entity in opposition or threat to the system.

Stakeholder is a replacement of the SysML Stakeholder and should be used in its place.

Note: Because of the incompatibility between the SysML «Stakeholder» and the CSRM «Stakeholder», «ConcernOf» should be used to relate «ViewPoint» to «Stakeholder» property of the «ViewPoint».

Generalization:

- SysML::Blocks::Block

6.3.7 GroundSegment

Description

The «GroundSegment» is a kind of «Segment» composed of kinds of Block like «Facility», «System» and «Equipment» or other «GroundSegment».

The composed parts of «GroundSegment» represent systems and facilities like the following:

- Ground stations, which provide communication interfaces with spacecraft (in the «SpaceSegment»)
- Mission operations, from which spacecraft are managed, including activities like mission planning and scheduling, command and control of satellites, control of the ground equipment, mission telemetry processing, and mission data processing and distribution.
- Ground networks, which connect the other ground elements to one another.
- Remote terminals, used by support personnel.
- Spacecraft integration and test facilities.
- Launch facilities.

«GroundSegment» is a kind of «Segment» and usually satisfies one or more «GroundSegmentRequirement».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Architecture Structures Profile::Segment

6.3.8 SpaceSegment

Description

The «SpaceSegment» is a «Segment» that is composed of types of «spacecraft». In addition, the «SpaceSegment» may be also be composed of blocks representing orbits, the uplink/downlink and the space environment (radiation, atmospheric density, solar wind, etc.). The «SpaceSegment» is controlled by and communicates with the «GroundSegment». The «SpaceSegment» satisfies one or more «SpaceSegment» requirements.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Architecture Structures Profile::Segment

6.3.9 Spacecraft

Description

Spacecraft is a kind of System Block representing a spacecraft system—for example, satellite, rocket, rocket stage, interplanetary vehicle, or space station.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::System

6.3.10 Satellite

Description

A «Satellite» is a kind of «Spacecraft» representing an orbital satellite system.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::Architecture Structures Profile::Spacecraft

6.3.11 CubeSatDeployer

Description

«CubeSatDeployer» is a type of «System» used to deploy one or more «CubeSat».

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::System

6.3.12 Mission

Description

A «Mission» describes what the system will do and the purpose of doing it. The Mission provides the context for defining measures of effectiveness and for the development of the Concept of Operations.

A mission is accomplished by operational nodes completing one or more operational activities. An operational node can be an organization, individual(s), or system(s). Operational activities are actions that either transform one or more inputs into outputs or change the state of the system. A system provides capabilities through the execution of operational activities. There may be one or more missions composed of Space and Ground segments. Missions may also be composed of one or more missions (sub-missions).

Generalization:

- SysML::Blocks::Block

6.3.13 ConcernOf

Description

The «ConcernOf» stereotype is a dependency relationship used to relate an element of the model to a «Stakeholder». The client of the dependency can be any element and the supplier must be a type of «Stakeholder» that has a concern. The documentation of the dependency can be used to document the concern(s) the stakeholder has about the element.

Another client of «ConcernOf» is the «StakeholderConcern». «StakeholderConcern» is a specialized requirement that can be used to document a stakeholder concern for use in creating derived requirements from the concern.

6.4 Validation and Verification Profile

The Validations and Verification Profile has extensions of SysML for validation and verification of requirements.

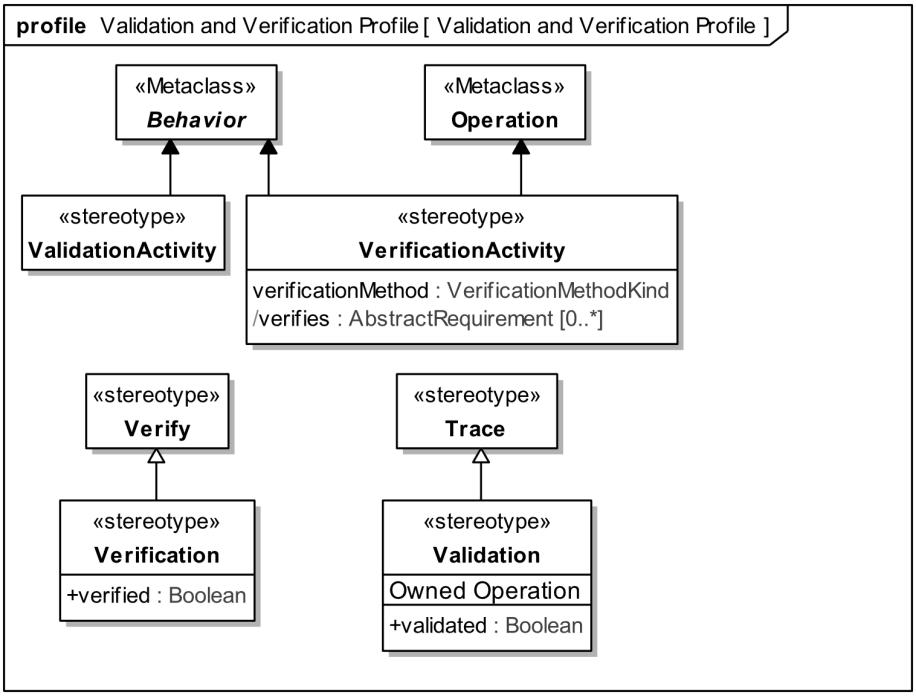

Figure 5: Validation and Verification Profile

The Validation and Verification profile diagram shows the extensions of the SysML profile.

The profile introduces «VerificationActivity», a process (Behavior) for verifying a requirement. The «Verification» relationship maps the «VerificationActivity» to a requirement or measurement specification that it verifies. The «Verify» has the verified property to indicate the status of a measurement specification or requirement's verification status as a result of performing the related «VerificationActivity».

The profile also introduces «ValidaionActivity», a process (Behavior) for validating a requirement is correct. The

«Validation» relationship maps the «ValidationActivity» to a requirement or measurement specification that it validates. The «Validation» has the validated property to indicate the status of a measurement specification or requirement's validation status as a result of performing the related «VerificationActivity».

In addition, the «VerificationActivity» has the property verificationMethod such that the VerificationMethodKind of a requirement can be aligned with the «VerificationActivity».

6.4.1 ValidationActivity

Description

The «ValidationActivity» stereotype is applied to a process for validating requirements and technical specifications for correctness, implementability, testability, and that the requirement meets the needs of stakeholders. It often involves acceptance and suitability with customers. The requirements should also be annotated with a «rationale» comment. The activity to validate one or more requirements is often an analysis task performed in concert with the stakeholders to ensure the following:

- The set of requirements is correct, complete, and consistent.
- A model can be created that satisfies the requirements.
- A real-world solution can be built and tested to prove that it satisfies the requirements.

The state of the analysis is recorded by the validated property of «Validation».

The «ValidationActivity» has a metaclass of Behavior, which allows the modeler to choose the appropriate type of modeling element (Activity, Sequence, etc.) to document the process. Note that the documentation of the ValidationActivity can also be used to capture the process.

6.4.2 Validation

Description

«Validation» is a relationship between a source element («AbstractRequirement» or technical specification) and a client element («ValidationActivity»).

The element has a boolean property, validated, which is used to document the status of the validation activity. The property has the following meaning:

- undefined(default): The element has not been validated.
- false: The supplier element has been validated and is considered invalid according to the «ValidationActivity».
- true: The supplier element has been validated and is deemed to be valid according to the «ValidationActivity».

Note that the requirement or technical specification is the driver (supplier) of the relationship.

This means that if the supplier element changes, the state of validated property should be changed to unknown until the «ValidationActivity» is performed for the changed element. Changes to a «ValidationActivity» implies the need for re-running the

«ValidationActivity» for each supplier but are based on the possibility of invalidating the validation state.

Generalization:

- SysML::Requirements::Trace

Operations:

- getValidates - The query getValidates() returns all the NamedElements that are suppliers ("to" end of the concrete syntax) of a «Validation» relationship whose client is the element input parameter, ref. This is a static query. Due to constraints, the getValidates() returns types of Abstract Requirement and Measurement Specification.

Parameters:

- in ref : NamedElement [1]
- return result : NamedElement [0..*]

6.4.3 VerificationActivity

Description

The «VerificationActivity» stereotype is intended to extend SysML to add a verificationMethod (from SysML) such that the Test Case or other behavior method can be annotated with the kind of verification. This improves the original SysML to allow a Requirement to have multiple verification methods by moving the method to the «VerificationActivity» rather than the Requirement.

«VerificationActivity» has the attribute verificationMethod which is a VerificationMethodKind. Users are encouraged to set the verificationMethod on «VerificationActivity» rather than on the Requirement as this allows a requirement to be verified by many verification method kinds.

Attributes:

- verificationMethod : VerificationMethodKind -The verificationMethod indicates the primary method that «VerificationActivity» uses to verify a Requirement.
- /verifies : AbstractRequirement - The requirements that this VerificationActivity verifies.

Operations:

- getVerifies():ValidationActivity - The query getVerifies() returns all the NamedElements that are suppliers ("to" end of the concrete syntax) of a «Verifies» relationship whose client is the element input parameter, ref. This is a static query.
  Specification:

  ```
  Verification.allInstances()->select(base_Abstraction.client=ref).base_Abstraction.supplier
  ```

6.4.4 Verification

Description

«Verification» is a relationship between a type of «AbstractRequirement» (the client of the Abstraction relationship) and a «VerificationActivity» (the supplier of the Abstraction relationship). The relationship is to associate a prescribed Verification Activity that tests for the satisfaction of a requirement.

The «Verification» stereotype has a boolean property, verified, which is used to document the performance of the

«VerificationActivity». The property has the following meaning:

- Unset(default): The supplier element has not been verified by the «VerificationActivity».
- false: The supplier element has failed the «VerificationActivity».
- true: The supplier element has passed the «VerificationActivity».

A change of the supplier or client elements should be followed by a change to the verified property to unknown. The verification property is also changed whenever the «VerificationActivity» is performed.

Note: The «Verification» should be used instead of the «verify» of SysML.

Generalization:

- SysML::Requirements::Verify

6.5 Comments Profile

The Comments Profile adds comment types to aid in classifying comments when creating a reference model.

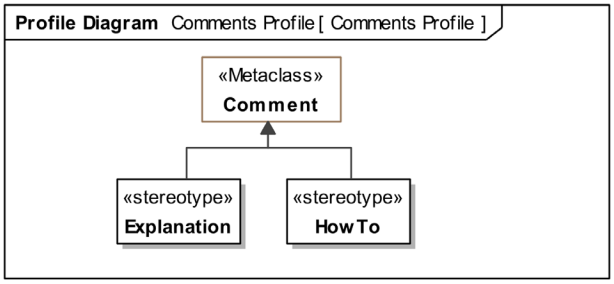

Figure 6: Comments Profile

The Comments diagram shows the CSRM extensions added to the SysML profile to add additional types of comment:
«Explanations» and «HowTo».

6.5.1 Explanation

Description

The «Explanation» stereotype is a type of «comment» used to contain explanatory text. This type of comment is used for documenting what model elements are to be created, why they are created or other tutorial information.

6.5.2 HowTo

Description

The «HowTo» stereotype is a type of «comment» used to contain instructions on how to do a modeling tool task. For example, how elements of the model are created. These comments are usually tool-specific instructions.

6.6 SysML Extensions

This package contains stereotypes that are a subset of stereotypes and enumerations from the suggested SysML non-normative extensions found in "Annex E: Non-normative Extensions" of the SysML specification.

The SysML Extensions profile contains the «MoE» stereotype, extensions of «Block» («Domain», «Subsystem», «System Context», «System») and extension of «Requirement» («ExtRequirement») and two enumerations, VerificationMethodKind and RiskKind, that are used in the «ExtRequirement» to document verification method and risk respectively.

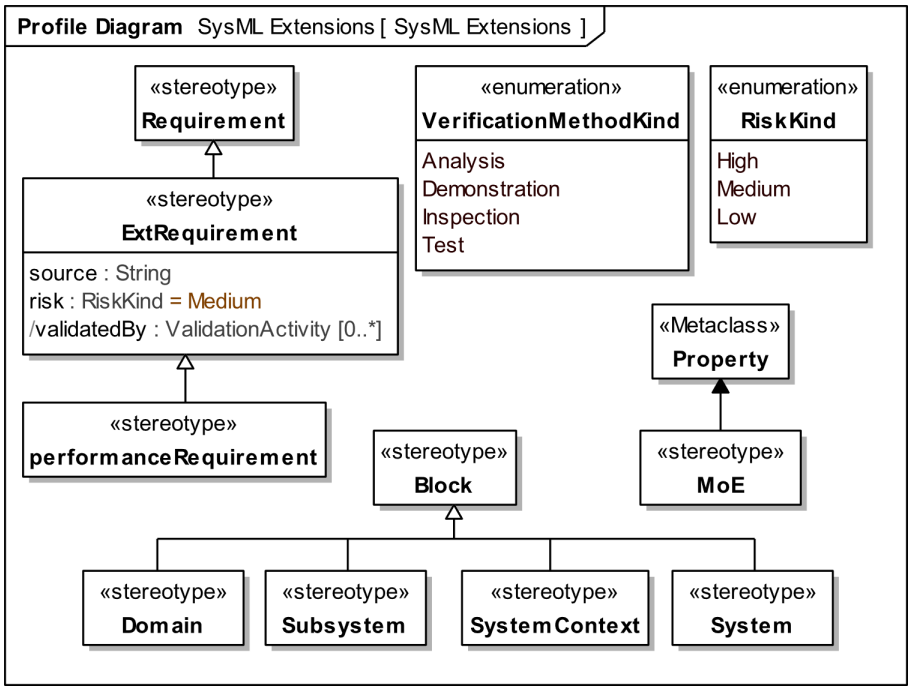

Figure 7: SysML Extensions

The SysML Extensions diagram documents the elements added that are used instead of the SysML non-normative extensions described by the SysML Specification.

6.6.1 performanceRequirement

Description

Requirement that quantitatively measures the extent to which a system, or a system part, satisfies a required capability or condition.

Note: This stereotype should be used instead of the «performanceRequirement» in the SysML non-normative extension of SysML.

Generalization:

- CSRM Profile::SysML Extensions::ExtRequirement

6.6.2 MoE

Description

Measure of Effectiveness (MoE) represents a performance property of a system (or other element). The «MoE» stereotype is applied to a «valueProperty» to mark the property as a MoE. The stereotype indicates an engineering performance measure. An «MoE» property represents a parameter whose value is used to measure the effectiveness of a «Block». MoE are measures designed to correspond to the accomplishment of mission objectives and the achievement of desired results. MoE quantify the results to be obtained by a system.

Each «MoE» should satisfy a kind of «moeRequirement».

Note: This stereotype should be used instead of the «MoE» in the SysML non-normative extension of SysML.

6.6.3 ExtRequirement

Description

The «ExtRequirement» is a mix-in stereotype that contains generally useful attributes for requirements.

Note: This stereotype should be used instead of the «ExtendedRequirement» in the SysML non-normative extension of SysML

Generalization:

SysML::Requirements::Requirementspecification:

Attributes

- risk : RiskKind - Risk level of the requirement.
- source : String - Source (originating person and/or organization) of the requirement.
- /validatedBy : ValidationActivity[0..*] - The validatedBy is derived from all elements that are the client of a «validation» relationship for which this requirement is a supplier.

Operations:

- getValidatedBy - The query getValidatedBy() returns all the NamedElements that are suppliers ("to" end) of a «Validation» relationship whose client is the element input parameter, ref.
- specification: Validate.allInstances()->select(base_Abstraction.client=ref).base_Abstraction.supplier

6.6.4 SystemContext

Description

A SystemContext element is a virtual container that includes the entire system and its actors.

Note: This stereotype should be used instead of the System Context in the SysML non-normative extension of SysML.

Generalization:

- SysML::Blocks::Block

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Generalization:

- SysML::Blocks::Block

6.6.6 Subsystem

Description

A Subsystem is a typically large encapsulated block within a larger system.

Note: This stereotype should be used instead of the «Subsystem» in the SysML non-normative extension of SysML.

Generalization:

- SysML::Blocks::Block

6.6.7 Domain

Description

A «Domain» block represents an entity, a concept, a location, or a person from the real-world domain.

Note: This stereotype should be used instead of the «Domain» in the SysML non-normative extension of SysML.

Generalization:

- SysML::Blocks::Block

6.6.8 VerificationMethodKind

VerificationMethodKind is an Enumeration that specifies the kind of verification specified for a requirement or the kind of a verification activity. The following are the kinds of verification methods:

1) Analysis indicates that verification will be performed by technical evaluation using mathematical representations, charts, graphs, circuit diagrams, data reduction, or representative data. Analysis also includes the verification of requirements under conditions, which are simulated or modeled; where the results are derived from the analysis of the results produced by the model.

2) Demonstration indicates that verification will be performed by operation, movement, or adjustment of the item under specific conditions to perform the design functions without recording of quantitative data. Demonstration is typically considered the least restrictive of the verification types.

3) Inspection indicates that verification will be performed by examination of the item, reviewing descriptive documentation, and comparing the appropriate characteristics with a predetermined standard to determine conformance to requirements without the use of special laboratory equipment or procedures.

4) Test indicates that verification will be performed through systematic exercising of the applicable item under appropriate conditions with instrumentation to measure required parameters and the collection, analysis, and evaluation of quantitative data to show that measured parameters equal or exceed specified requirements.

Note: This enumeration should be used instead of the VerificationMethodKind in the SysML non-normative extension of SysML.

VerificationMethodKind is an enumeration consisting of the following enumeration literals:

- Analysis
- Demonstration
- Inspection
- Test

6.6.9 RiskKind

RiskKind is an enumeration that specifies the level of risk.

1) High indicates an unacceptable level of risk,
2) Medium indicates an acceptable level of risk, and
3) Low indicates a minimal level of risk or no risk.

Note: This enumeration should be used instead of the RiskKind in the SysML non-normative extension of SysML.

RiskKind is an enumeration consisting of the following enumeration literals:

- High
- Medium
- Low