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Introduction to Specification

Communication with space vehicles often requires a sophisticated suite of ground equipment ranging from network devices to antennas. These devices work together to create an end-to-end signal-processing suite. For example, an antenna, frequency converter, demodulator, bit synchronizer, decryption device, and frame synchronizer process a telemetry down-link signal before the end-user software receives the data. These devices must be configured to properly process the signal and provide status to user applications.

The Ground Equipment Monitoring Service (GEMS) specification defines a common messaging interface to do just this. The intent of GEMS is to define a lightweight, easy-to-use interface model suitable for control and status of nearly all types of devices within space related ground systems. In truth, these devices are not unique to space communications. Modern ground systems include many commercial devices such as networking devices and digital archive systems. While this specification focuses specifically on space applications, it is designed to apply to a broad range of devices.

To understand the GEMS design, it is useful to first look at it from a user’s perspective. Typically, high-level software, such as a TT&C (Telemetry, Tracking & Commanding) application, controls the ground system equipment. The main purpose of these types of applications is controlling the space vehicle – a complicated task in its own right. The ground system enables communication between the TT&C applications and the space vehicle by performing low-level signal and data processing functions. While the ground system is a significant part of the signal processing capabilities, if operating properly it should be transparent to the user. Only initial configuration and basic status is needed. This should be simple and ideally use a standard model for all types of devices. That is where the GEMS model comes in. The GEMS model defines a simple, message-based interface suitable for controlling all types of devices using a variety of protocols and transport mechanisms. It allows system integrators to develop control and status applications that can easily interface with a wide range of device types.

From a vendor’s perspective, a standard device control protocol should be relatively easy to implement and require limited resources. In addition, to ensure the widest possible range of integrations, the protocol should not require any specific third-party middleware implementation. Using GEMS, vendors achieve exactly this. The GEMS protocol is a lightweight protocol requiring only a TCP/IP connection. The Platform Independent Model (PIM) simply describes the messages and interactions necessary to configure and obtain status on a device. The Platform Specific Models (PSM) map the PIM to basic ASCII and XML messages. The ASCII PSM is intended for the most basic devices with limited processing capabilities. It is well suited for Serial (RS-232) and terminal style devices. The XML PSM incorporates the more sophisticated capabilities of XML such as XML Schemas and validation. While these capabilities require additional libraries, formatting and processing the messages is still quite simple.

The GEMS interface compliments other existing standards such as CCSDS SLE. The CCSDS SLE specification provides facility level interfaces but does not address the lower level device interfaces. It accomplishes this through a Service-Device mapping function. The GEMS specification enables a standard Service-Device mapping function to be created for a wide range of device types. The following figure depicts this interaction.
In this figure, the SLE Complex Management Service layers on top of the GEMS client to control the physical devices in the system.
1 Scope

The GEMS specification defines a lightweight standard for the control and status of typical ground equipment found in the space domain using a model driven approach. A conceptual model for the GEMS specification is shown below.

The GEMS specification is most commonly used for the control of a single device. However, in more complicated systems, multiple devices may be controlled using a single container message (MessageSequence) combined with a GEMS Proxy.

The GEMS PIM defines the message structure and behavior standard to all GEMS Devices. In the case of GEMS, the platform is defined as the middleware, network protocol, or transport mechanism used to communicate with the device. By defining the platform at this level, the GEMS PIM focus is primarily on the necessary message content and behavior and leaves the specifics of defining the message format and transporting that message to the PSMs.

Two GEMS PSMs are defined. The raw GEMS-ASCII PSM is a terse ASCII-based protocol well suited for serial or terminal based devices. The focus of this PSM is short, human-readable messages that are easily formatted and processed. These messages are transported directly across either a network or serial bus. The GEMS-XML PSM utilizes the features of XML to provide message definition and validation. These messages use an HTML like header for transport across a network. Otherwise, GEMS-XML messages leverage the structure inherent in an XML document to define the content.

Many other platform specific mappings of the GEMS PIM are possible. These potentially include other standard middleware or protocol definitions such as CORBA, SNMP, or the GPIB-SCPI protocol. In fact, the large number of potential protocols used for device control further illustrates the need for the GEMS specification. By defining a specific mapping of each of these protocols to the GEMS PIM, automatic translation between these protocols is possible. This enables a device vendor to focus on the features and capabilities of the device without the need to support multiple protocols. Similarly, the device user can utilize a single protocol, with appropriate translators, to control numerous devices.
2 Conformance

The primary point of conformance is support of the PIM. Conformance to any defined PSM is optional, but if a defined platform is used, such as XML and raw ASCII, the implementation must conform to the appropriate PSM. In the event that a PSM does not exist for a specific protocol, implementers are encouraged to define a PSM and submit it for standardization to the OMG.

3 Normative References


4 Terms and Definitions

TT&C: Telemetry Tracking & Commanding
CCSDS: Consultative Committee for Space Data Systems
SLE: CCSDS Space Link Extensions
SNMP: Simple Network Management Protocol
GPIB: General Purpose Interface Bus
SCPI: General Command for Programmable Instrumentation

5 Symbols

There are no symbols defined in this specification.

6 Additional Information

6.1 Acknowledgements

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7 PIM

7.1 Overview

The GEMS specification defines a standard, platform independent model (PIM) for controlling a wide range of devices. The GEMS model does not presume or try to define a specific system level architecture. Instead, it defines generic concepts such as devices, parameters, and directives that are relatively simple to implement and provide system integrators common ways to control heterogeneous suites of space related ground equipment.

The central concept of GEMS is the GEMS device. GEMS devices have typed parameters, accept directives with typed arguments, and can optionally save and restore their configuration using persistent storage. Users utilize the GEMS interface within the device to configure and obtain status.

For more sophisticated systems with multiple devices, a GEMS proxy is deployed and routes message traffic to a system of devices. This allows for several devices to be configured in a single transaction. In addition, the proxy often supports the Save/Restore functionality, thus keeping the GEMS devices simple.

The GEMS PIM consists of message related classes that allow the user to send directives, configure devices, obtain configuration information and device status, save the configuration, and restore the configuration.

7.2 GEMS Use Cases

The following diagram depicts the GEMS use cases. These use cases define common interactions and activities associated with creating and using suites of devices.

Figure 7.1 - GEMS Use Cases

7.2.1 GEMS User

This actor represents a user of a GEMS device or system. The GEMS user commonly takes the form of a controlling software application that uses the GEMS interface to manipulate a device or system of devices.
7.2.2 Device Vendor

As the name indicates, the Device Vendor is the manufacturer of the device supporting the GEMS interface. The Device Vendor’s role is to define the parameters and directives supported by the device and provide those along with the device to the System Integrator and/or GEMS User.

7.2.3 Define GEMS Device

This use case represents the activities necessary to define a GEMS device. These include defining the names, types, and ranges for all device parameters as well as the directives and associated arguments.

7.2.4 Connect To Device

The first action that a GEMS user must take to establish an interaction with a GEMS device is to connect to the device. In doing this, the GEMS user identifies whether control of the device or status only is requested. This is similar to requesting read/write access to a file. The GEMS device responds to a connection request by indicating whether or not the connection was successful and if successful, provides a token that the GEMS user will use in all future interactions with the device.

7.2.5 Send Directive

GEMS directives allow the user to manipulate the device or system in a scoped action. Common examples relating to ground system equipment are enabling modulation of a signal or sending a vehicle command. In this use case, the user formats a GEMS directive message and sends it to the GEMS device. The GEMS device performs the actions necessary to fulfill the directive and then sends a reply message back to the user indicating the result of the directive. The response includes any return values appropriate for the directive.

7.2.6 Configure Device

A common use case is configuring a device. In this use case, the user sends a set of configuration parameters to the device. The device performs the appropriate validation of the parameters and then applies the values to its configuration. The GEMS device sends a response back to the user indicating success or failure. If successful, the response also includes the number of parameters affected.
7.2.7 Obtain Configuration

In this use case, the user wishes to obtain information about the device configuration. The user sends a message to the GEMS device requesting configuration information. The request can specify specific parameters that the user wishes information on. The GEMS device receives the request and populates a reply with the appropriate parameters.

7.2.8 Save Configuration

A convenient use case in satellite operations is configuring the device for a specific space vehicle and then saving that configuration for later use. Often, configurations are saved for different missions. To accomplish this, the user sends a message requesting the GEMS device to save its configuration to local storage. The user specifies the name of the configuration for later recall.

This use case is optional since saving the configuration to persistent storage, such as a hard drive or Flash RAM, is not necessarily available on all types of devices. For these types of devices, it is expected that higher-level applications such as a GEMS router will provide this capability by first obtaining the device configuration and then writing it to persistent storage.

7.2.9 Restore Configuration

Once the user has saved a configuration to persistent storage, it can be recalled later. The user sends a restore configuration message to the GEMS device. The message includes the name of the configuration to restore. The GEMS device then loads that configuration and applies the values specified to the device. The response message indicates success or failure and the number of parameters modified.

It is not required for the named configuration to contain all device parameters. Only the parameters specified are modified. This enables a useful approach to controlling a device. GEMS users can load full configuration followed by selected subsets.

Like saving the configuration, this use case is optional for devices that do not have a persistent storage capability. In these cases, it is expected that higher-level software applications such as a GEMS router store the configurations and then apply those configurations to the device.
7.2.10 Obtain Device Information

In this use case, the user obtains information about what directives and parameters the GEMS device accepts. The user sends a message to the GEMS device requesting service information. The reply contains descriptions of the directives (including argument name and type information) and the parameters (including name, type, and range information).

7.2.11 Proxy & Route GEMS Message

Typically, GEMS messages target a specific device. However, in more complex systems, it is convenient and sometimes required to manipulate multiple devices in a single transaction. In this case, multiple messages are combined into a message set and sent to a GEMS proxy for processing. The GEMS Proxy separates the messages and passes them to the designated targets sequentially.

This capability is not required of GEMS devices, though it can be used to offer sequential execution of messages. A GEMS proxy can also provide functions such as Save/Restore and message logging. These functions are not required in a GEMS proxy.

7.2.12 GEMS High Level Design

The GEMS protocol defines the basic message structure and interaction between a user and a GEMS device. It does not specify the exact parameters, types, or ranges for any specific device or device type. That is beyond the scope of this specification. Instead, GEMS defines the approach to use when defining device specific parameters. The device vendor provides custom device information in a format compliant with the PIM and PSM used. To represent this interaction, GEMS defines two notional packages. These packages are not part of this specification. The Custom Devices package contains definitions of concrete devices. These devices meet the GEMS specification but are custom to a given vendor. The Standard Devices package contains definitions of standard devices, their parameters (names, types, and ranges) and directives. It is envisioned that this package eventually becomes an addendum to this specification.
Figure 7.2 - GEMS Packages

Typically, the device vendor defines and maintains the associated GEMS device definitions. By supporting a GEMS interface, the device vendor enables customers to easily control the device in a standard manner following the GEMS model. However, there is no guarantee that the parameter names, types, and ranges used will be interoperable with other similar devices produced by other vendors. For example, a common status parameter supported by receivers is signal lock. This parameter indicates when the receiver has locked on to the desired signal. One vendor might name that parameter LOCK_STATE while another vendor might name it SIGNAL_LOCK. To help standardize parameter choices a dictionary of device types and parameters will be developed.

7.3 GEMS UML Design

The following class diagram shows the GEMS classes and their relationships. At the top are the message classes. These classes define the various types of messages available through the GEMS protocol. Each message class, with the exception of the Disconnect class, has an associated response message. In several cases, the message contains one or more parameters.
These classes are described in detail in the following sections.

7.3.1 Parameters

Parameters represent the actual values used to configure and provide status on a given device. Each Parameter has a name, type, and a multiplicity. The name is a free text string and cannot contain any spaces. The multiplicity represents arrays of the same type. The specific implementation of the multiplicity is left to the PSM.

For completeness, the PIM defines both signed and unsigned types as well as a variety of integer sizes. If appropriate, these various integer types and precisions may be mapped to a single integer type within a PSM.

7.3.1.1 UML Diagram

This diagram shows the base parameter class and all of the specific types.
Figure 7.4 - GEMS Standard Types

7.3.1.2 boolean
Represents a boolean true/false value.

7.3.1.3 byte
Represents a single signed 8 bit byte or octet.

7.3.1.4 ubyte
Represents a single unsigned 8 bit byte or octet.

7.3.1.5 long
Represents a signed 8 byte value.

7.3.1.6 ulong
Represents an unsigned 8 byte value.

7.3.1.7 int
Represents a signed 4 byte value.

7.3.1.8 uint
Represents an unsigned 4 byte value.

7.3.1.9 short
Represents a signed 2 byte value.

7.3.1.10 ushort
Represents an unsigned 2 byte value.

7.3.1.11 double
Represents a double precision floating point number.
7.3.1.12  **string**
Represents a free text ASCII string of characters.

7.3.1.13  **hex_value**
Represents an ASCII representation of a hexadecimal value. The string optionally may be preceded by a ‘0x.’ In cases where the multiplicity is greater than one the bit_length attribute of the hex_values must all be equal.

7.3.1.14  **time**
Represents the number of seconds and nanoseconds elapsed since midnight UTC of January 1, 1970. The time value is represented by integer values for seconds and nanoseconds.

7.3.1.15  **Parameter Sets**
Parameter sets allow for the creation of mixed-type structures of parameters or “complex types” using the composite design pattern. The intent is to offer device vendors an option for creating arbitrarily complex data structures.

7.3.2  **Messages**
GEMS defines a set of messages that allow parameters and directives to be sent between a GEMS client and GEMS device. These messages all have a common header and structure. Each message sent to the GEMS device has a corresponding response.

The following diagram depicts the GEMS message class structure.

Figure 7.5 - GEMS Message Classes

7.3.2.1  **Message Base Class**
The Message base class defines the header information necessary to determine the target for the messages and other information such as the version number.
Figure 7.6 - GEMS Message Base Class

**target**

The target is a free text field containing the name of the target device. For a single device, the target is a word naming the device. If the device is part of a system hierarchy, the levels within the hierarchy are concatenated using '/' characters similar to UNIX directory paths. This naming scheme allows GEMS proxies to properly route messages.

Example:

/SiteA/Modem/Modulator1

The target field is optional if the message is sent directly to the targeted device. For distributed systems that utilize a GEMS proxy, the proxy is responsible for mapping the target names to network addresses as necessary.

**message_type**

The message_type field is an alpha-numeric field containing a message identifier for a specific message type. The specific values are defined in the PSM.

**token**

The token field is a free-text field containing an ASCII token. The exact format and content of the token is dependent on the GEMS device. The GEMS device gives the token to the GEMS user as part of the initial connection. The token is then passed back to the GEMS device with every message.

While this specification does not define the use of the token field, it does offer recommendations. For example, if strict authentication is desired, a GEMS device can encode values in to the token that clearly identify the client and any privileges that client may have.

A common use of the message token is for limiting access to device control related features. When a client connect message is received, the message contains the type of access being requested (e.g., control or status). If there are currently no control clients connected, the GEMS device gives the control token to the new client. While this mechanism is not fool-proof, it does work well in controlled environments.

**version**

The version field contains the version of GEMS message being used. It provides backwards compatibility. Currently only version 1 is supported.

**timestamp**

The timestamp field provides useful debugging and message sorting information. The value in the field is the current time when the message is sent in UTC. The format of the field is defined in the PSM.
7.3.2.2   Response Messages

All GEMS response messages contain a result code and an optional free-text description. The result code indicates the success or failure of the original message. If a failure occurs, the specific result code can be inspected programmatically and the appropriate action taken. The acceptable result codes are as follows:

SUCCESS

This result code indicates that the associated message or directive was successful. The result_description is optional.

INVALID_RANGE

This result code indicates that a parameter or argument within the associated message or directive was out of the acceptable range. In this error condition, the result_description should contain a free-text description of which parameter was in error.

INVALID_PARAMETER

This result code indicates that an unsupported or unknown parameter was named in the associated message. In this error condition, the result_description should contain a free-text description of which parameter was in error.

INVALID_STATE

This result code indicates that an invalid state was reached within the device or GEMS interface. Common reasons for this are attempts to set or get parameter values before a connection is established. In this error condition, the result_description should contain a free-text description of the error.

INVALID_VERSION

This result code indicates that the GEMS message version was unrecognized or unsupported by the device. In this error condition, the result_description should contain a list of the supported GEMS versions.
**INVALID_Target**

This result code indicates that the target was unrecognized. In this error condition, the result_description should contain the provided (unrecognized) target.

**UNSUPPORTED_MESSAGE**

This result code indicates that the message type is not supported by the device. This applies to the optional save/restore messages. In this error condition, the result_description should contain a free-text description of the error.

**MALFORMED_MESSAGE**

This result code indicates that the message was malformed or otherwise unrecognized. In this error condition, the reply message header should reflect as much of the original message as possible. The result description should contain the malformed message with any necessary modification such that the reply is properly formed.

**INTERNAL_ERROR**

This result code indicates that the device or proxy experienced an internal error while processing the original message. In this error condition, the result_description should contain a free-text description of the error, if possible.

**ACCESS_DENIED**

This result code indicates that the GEMS user does not have appropriate access to invoke the action defined in the original message. This commonly is the result of a status-only client attempting to configure the device using either a SetMessage or LoadConfigMessage. In this error condition, the result_description should contain a free-text description of the error.

**CONFLICTING_PARAMETERS**

This result code indicates that the original message defined a set of parameters that conflicted with one another. For example, a device might have different ranges depending on the mode specified. In this error condition, the result_description should identify the conflicting parameters.

**COMMUNICATION_ERROR**

This result code indicates that a communication error occurred. This commonly occurs as a result of network socket errors, serial bus errors, or other transport mechanism errors. In this error condition, the result_description should contain a description of the error, if possible.

**OTHER**

This result code indicates that an error occurred not already defined in one of the other possible result codes. In this error condition, the result_description should contain a description of the error. If necessary, other non-standard error codings may be used within the result_description. However, it should be noted that these types of codings are not interoperable with other implementation and will be treated as free-text.

### 7.3.3 Controlling and Monitoring Devices

This section describes the process of controlling and monitoring GEMS devices.
7.3.3.1 Setting Configurations

To control a GEMS Device, the user sends a set of parameters. The parameters each have a name, type, and value as described in Section 7.3.1, Parameters. These parameters are applied in a transactional manner to the device. Validation checks are performed prior to changing the configuration of the device itself. If these checks fail (e.g., values out of range), the transaction is cancelled. A description of the error is sent back to the GEMS user in the response message. If all values validate, the new parameter settings are applied to the device.

The following diagram depicts this sequence.

![Set Configuration Sequence Diagram](image)

Errors found in steps 2 or 3 are immediately returned and no changes to the device configuration are made. In the event that an error occurs during step 4, the GEMS device attempts to return to the previous configuration if possible.

![Set Configuration Message Classes Diagram](image)
SetConfigMessage

The *SetConfigMessage* contains the list of parameters to set. These parameters are applied to the device as a single transaction.

SetConfigResponse

The *SetConfigResponse* message indicates the result of the *SetConfigMessage*. This message has 2 parameters.

**parameters_set**

The *parameters_set* field indicates the number of parameters affected by the *SetConfigMessage*. This value provides the GEMS User feedback on the number of values actually modified. For example, a *SetConfigMessage* containing 20 parameter values might only change five parameters. From the perspective of the GEMS device, this is a valid request. However, the GEMS User might have expected to change 20 parameters.

7.3.3.2 Retrieving Configurations & Status

To obtain the current configuration of a device or monitor the runtime status of a device, the GEMS user sends a *GetConfigMessage*. The message can optionally contain the list of parameters desired. If specific parameters are specified, only those parameters are returned to the GEMS user. If no parameters are specified, then all device parameters are returned.

![Figure 7.9 - GetConfigMessage UML](image)

**GetConfigMessage**

The *GetConfigMessage* requests the current configuration from the GEMS device. The message can optionally contain a list of desired parameters.

**GetConfigResponse**

The *GetConfigResponse* message contains the device parameters requested.
7.3.3.3 Storing Configurations

To store a configuration, the GEMS User sends a SaveConfigMessage to the GEMS device. This message contains the desired name of the configuration. All device parameters are saved to this configuration. It is expected that multiple device configurations can be contained in a single named configuration. While the format of the persisted configuration is at the vendor’s discretion, it is recommended that it use a standard PSM. For example, if ASCII files are used to store configuration information, an appropriate PSM such as XML should be used.

Figure 7.10 - Save Configuration UML

SaveConfigMessage

The SaveConfigMessage contains the name of the configuration to save. The configuration name is a string containing a sequence of letters (A-Z) and/or numbers. Spaces are not allowed as they are not fully supported on all operating systems. The configuration name is case sensitive.

SaveConfigResponse

The SaveConfigResponse contains the number of parameters saved if the save was successful. In the case of an error, the ResultCode indicates the type of error.

parameters_saved

The parameters_saved field indicates the number of parameters saved to the named configuration. This value provides the GEMS User feedback on the number of values actually saved. This value can be compared to a later restore configuration request as a means of ensuring expected behavior.

7.3.3.4 Restoring Configurations

To restore a named configuration to a GEMS device, the GEMS user sends a LoadConfigMessage. This message identifies the name of the configuration to load. The following diagram depicts the UML structure for these messages.
It is not required that the configuration contain a full set of parameter values.

7.3.3.5  LoadConfigMessage

The LoadConfigMessage identifies the name of the configuration to load.

7.3.3.6  LoadConfigResponse

The LoadConfigResponse contains the number of parameters loaded. If an error occurred, it also indicates whether or not the device was left in a valid state.

7.3.3.7  parameters_loaded

The parameters_loaded field indicates the number of parameters affected by the LoadConfigMessage. This value provides the GEMS User feedback on the number of values actually modified. For example, a configuration containing 20 parameter values might only change five parameters. From the perspective of the GEMS device, this is a valid request. However, the GEMS User might have expected to change 20 parameters.

7.3.3.8  Retrieving Available Configurations

In order to restore a named configuration to a GEMS device, the GEMS user needs to be provided a mechanism for retrieving all the configurations available. This message identifies the list of configuration names available to load. The following diagram depicts the UML structure for these messages.
The GetConfigListMessage does not contain any additional information above and beyond the base message class.

GetConfigListResponse

configuration_name

The configuration_name field contains all of the available configuration names for the GEMS device. The format of the names is dictated by the device developer.

7.4 Directives

Directives allow the GEMS user to invoke a scoped action on the GEMS device. These actions typically involve the purpose of the device rather than the configuration. For example, a device that formats space vehicle commands might have a send_vehicle_command directive. GEMS directives can have a list of parameters (or arguments) and can return values in the response.

The supported directives and associated arguments are defined by the vendor as part of the device definition. The format of this definition is based on the PSM used.

The following diagram shows the sequence of directive messages.
The DirectiveMessage contains the name of the directive and the list of arguments. The response contains the name of the directive and a list of return values. If an error occurs, the ResultCode indicates the reason for the error.

**Figure 7.14 - Directive UML**

### 7.4.1 DirectiveMessage

The DirectiveMessage contains the name of the directive and a list of arguments.
7.4.2 DirectiveResponse

The DirectiveResponse contains the name of the directive and a list of return values. The name is provided to allow the GEMS user to correlate the response with the original directive.

7.5 GEMS Security

The GEMS PIM defines only basic security concepts. GEMS Users connecting to a GEMS device are provided a token to use for all future interactions until a Disconnect message is sent or the connection is in some way broken (e.g., the socket is disconnected). In the basic GEMS model, the contents of the token is left undefined. Implementers of GEMS devices are encouraged to use the token to identify the client and the connection type. The encoding of this information varies between PSMs and between vendors.

Future addendums to this specification will address security policies, standard token encodings and access control.

7.6 GEMS Internationalization

At this time no consideration is provided for internationalization.

7.7 Standard Devices

In future revisions this section will contain industry standard device definitions. The intent of these definitions is to offer a degree of interoperability across device vendors. This allows GEMS users to swap GEMS devices of like types with minimal impact to application software.
8 PSM (XML)

XML (Extensible Markup Language) is a W3C initiative that allows information and services to be encoded with meaningful structure and semantics that computers and humans can understand. XML is great for information exchange, and can easily be extended to include user-specified and industry-specified tags.

The GEMS PSM mapping for XML leverages these capabilities to define and transfer GEMS messages. XML schemas provide a concise language for defining messages, device parameters, and directives. These schemas also enable strict validation of the message contents all the way down to range values.

8.1 PIM To PSM Mapping

Most of the GEMS PIM TO PSM Mapping is captured in a single, standard XML schema file: GEMS_base_types.xsd. This file defines the message classes and parameters described in the PIM.

8.1.1 GEMS_base_types.xsd

The PIM to PSM mapping for GEMS is best described by working through the GEMS_base_types.xsd file itself. This file starts out with a standard XML header that defines the namespace and pulls in other standard XML schemas. These values are PSM specific and have no direct mapping to the GEMS PSM.

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<xsd:schema
  xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  targetNamespace="http://www.omg.org/gems"
  xmlns:base="http://www.omg.org/gems"
  elementFormDefault="qualified"
  attributeFormDefault="unqualified">

8.1.1.1 Parameter Types

GEMS parameters map to specific complex types.

String Type

The mapping of the GEMS string type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
  <xsd:complexType name="StringParameter">
    <xsd:simpleContent>
      <xsd:extension base="xsd:string">
        <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="string" type="xsd:string"/>
      </xsd:extension>
    </xsd:simpleContent>
  </xsd:complexType>
```
Boolean Type
The mapping of the GEMS boolean type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="BooleanParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:boolean">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="boolean" type="xsd:string"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

Byte Type
The mapping of the GEMS byte type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="ByteParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:byte">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="byte" type="xsd:string"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

Unsigned Byte Type
The mapping of the GEMS unsigned byte type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="UnsignedByteParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:unsignedByte">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="ubyte" type="xsd:string"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```
Hex Value

The mapping of the GEMS hex_value type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="HexParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:hexBinary">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="hex" type="xsd:string"/>
      <xsd:attribute name="bit_length" type="xsd:int" use="required"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

Double Type

The mapping of the GEMS double type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="DoubleParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:double">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="double" type="xsd:string"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

Long Type

The mapping of the GEMS long type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="LongParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:long">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="long" type="xsd:string"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```
**Unsigned Long Type**

The mapping of the GEMS unsigned long type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="UnsignedLongParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:unsignedLong">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="ulong" type="xsd:string"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

**Integer Type**

The mapping of the GEMS integer type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="IntParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:int">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="int" type="xsd:string"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

**Unsigned Integer Type**

The mapping of the GEMS unsigned integer type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="UnsignedIntParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:unsignedInt">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="uint" type="xsd:string"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```
**Short Integer Type**

The mapping of the GEMS short integer type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="ShortParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:short">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="short" type="xsd:string"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

**Unsigned Short Integer Type**

The mapping of the GEMS unsigned short integer type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="UnsignedShortParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:unsignedShort">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="time" type="xsd:string"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

**Time Type**

The mapping of the GEMS time type is defined in the following XML Schema.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="TimeParameter">
  <xsd:simpleContent>
    <xsd:extension base="xsd:anySimpleType">
      <xsd:attribute name="ParameterType" fixed="time" type="xsd:string"/>
      <xsd:attribute name="seconds" type="xsd:int" use="required"/>
      <xsd:attribute name="nanoseconds" type="xsd:int" use="optional"/>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:simpleContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```
8.1.1.2 Parameters

GEMS Parameters are named values with a specific type. GEMS-XML maps this to a Parameter element that contains a single type element. The choice schema element constrains the parameter types to the available GEMS types.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="Parameter">
    <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:choice maxOccurs="unbounded" minOccurs="0">
            <xsd:element name="string" type="StringParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="boolean" type="BooleanParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="byte" type="ByteParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="ubyte" type="UnsignedByteParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="hex_value" type="HexParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="double" type="DoubleParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="long" type="LongParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="ulong" type="UnsignedLongParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="int" type="IntParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="uint" type="UnsignedIntParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="short" type="ShortParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="ushort" type="UnsignedShortParameter"/>
            <xsd:element name="time" type="TimeParameter"/>
        </xsd:choice>
    </xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:attribute name="name" type="xsd:string" use="required"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="type" type="xsd:string" use="optional"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="multiplicity" type="xsd:int" default="1"/>
</xsd:complexType>
```

8.1.1.3 Parameter Sets

Parameter sets contain a heterogeneous grouping of parameters modeled after the Composite Design Pattern. The GEMS-XML mapping represents ParameterSets as a sequence of Parameters and/or ParameterSets.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="ParameterSet">
    <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element name="Parameter" type="Parameter" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```
8.1.4 Message

The GEMS-XML mapping for the GEMS message class is shown in the XML schema below. The Message element contains attributes for the version, token, target, transaction_id, and timestamp specified in UTC. The timestamp string format follows the format specified for the time type in the ASCII PSM which is "seconds.nanoseconds". See Table 8.1.

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="MessageType">
    <xsd:attribute name="gems_version" type="xsd:int" use="required"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="token" type="xsd:string" use="optional"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="target" type="xsd:string" use="optional"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="transaction_id" type="xsd:long" use="optional"/>
    <xsd:attribute name="timestamp" type="xsd:string" use="optional"/>
</xsd:complexType>
```

8.1.5 MessageSequence

The XML mapping for the GEMS MessageSequence is as follows:

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="MessageSequenceType">
    <xsd:complexContent>
        <xsd:restriction base="MessageType">
            <xsd:sequence>
                <xsd:element maxOccurs="unbounded" minOccurs="0" name="SetConfigMessage" type="SetConfigMessageType"/>
                <xsd:element maxOccurs="unbounded" minOccurs="0" name="GetConfigMessage" type="GetConfigMessageType"/>
                <xsd:element maxOccurs="unbounded" minOccurs="0" name="LoadConfigMessage" type="LoadConfigMessageType"/>
                <xsd:element maxOccurs="unbounded" minOccurs="0" name="SaveConfigMessage" type="SaveConfigMessageType"/>
                <xsd:element maxOccurs="unbounded" minOccurs="0" name="SetConfigResponse" type="SetConfigResponseType"/>
            </xsd:sequence>
        </xsd:restriction>
    </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```
8.1.1.6 SetConfigMessage And GetConfigMessage

The XML mapping for GEMS uses the same schema definition for both SetConfigMessage and GetConfigMessage mappings.

<!-- Define a SetGetConfigMessageType -->
<xsd:complexType name="SetGetConfigMessageType">
  <xsd:complexContent>
    <xsd:restriction base="MessageType">
      <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element name="Parameter" type="Parameter" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
        <xsd:element name="ParameterSet" type="ParameterSet" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:restriction>
  </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>

<!-- Define a SetConfigMessage -->
<xsd:element name="SetConfigMessage" type="SetGetConfigMessageType"/>

<!-- Define a GetConfigMessage -->
<xsd:element name="GetConfigMessage" type="SetGetConfigMessageType"/>

8.1.1.7 LoadConfigMessage And SaveConfigMessage

The XML mapping for GEMS uses the same schema definition for both SetConfigMessage and GetConfigMessage mappings.
8.1.1.8 GetConfigListMessage
The XML mapping for a GEMS GetConfigListMessage is as follows:

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="GetConfigListMessageType">
    <xsd:complexContent>
        <xsd:extension base="MessageType">
            <xsd:sequence/>
        </xsd:extension>
    </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>
<xsd:element name="GetConfigListMessage" type="GetConfigListMessageType"/>
```

8.1.1.9 ConnectionType
GEMS ConnectionType values are passed with the connection request and indicate the type of connection desired.

```xml
<xsd:simpleType name="ConnectionType">
    <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
        <xsd:enumeration value="CONTROL_ONLY"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value="STATUS_ONLY"/>
    </xsd:restriction>
</xsd:simpleType>
```
8.1.1.10 ConnectionRequestMessage

The XML mapping for the GEMS ConnectionRequestMessage is as follows:

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="ConnectionRequestMessageType">
  <xsd:complexContent>
    <xsd:extension base="MessageType">
      <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="1" name="type" type="ConnectionType"/>
      </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>

<xsd:element name="ConnectionRequestMessage" type="ConnectionRequestMessageType"/>
```

8.1.1.11 DisconnectReason

GEMS DisconnectReason values are passed with the disconnect message and indicate the reason for disconnecting.

```xml
<xsd:simpleType name="DisconnectReason">
  <xsd:restriction base="xsd:string">
    <xsd:enumeration value="NORMAL_TERMINATION"/>
    <xsd:enumeration value="CONTROL_LOST"/>
    <xsd:enumeration value="SERVICE_TERMINATED"/>
    <xsd:enumeration value="OTHER"/>
  </xsd:restriction>
</xsd:simpleType>
```
8.1.1.12 DisconnectMessage

The GEMS-XML mapping for the GEMS DisconnectMessage is as follows:

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="DisconnectMessageType">
    <xsd:complexContent>
        <xsd:extension base="MessageType">
            <xsd:sequence>
                <xsd:element maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="1" name="reason" type="DisconnectReason"/>
            </xsd:sequence>
        </xsd:extension>
    </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>

<xsd:element name="DisconnectMessage" type="DisconnectMessageType"/>
```

8.1.1.13 ResultCode

The GEMS-XML mapping for the ResultCode utilizes an XML enumeration.

```xml
<xsd:simpleType name = "ResultCode">
    <xsd:restriction base = "xsd:string">
        <xsd:enumeration value = "SUCCESS"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "INVALID_RANGE"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "INVALID_PARAMETER"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "INVALID_STATE"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "INVALID_VERSION"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "INVALID_TARGET"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "CONFLICTING_PARAMETER"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "UNSUPPORTED_MESSAGE"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "MALFORMED_MESSAGE"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "COMMUNICATION_ERROR"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "INTERNAL_ERROR"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "ACCESS_DENIED"/>
        <xsd:enumeration value = "OTHER"/>
    </xsd:restriction>
</xsd:simpleType>
```
8.1.1.14 Response

The GEMS-XML mapping for the base ResponseMessage is as follows:

```
<xsd:complexType name="ResponseMessageType">
  <xsd:complexContent>
    <xsd:restriction base="MessageType">
      <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="Result" type="ResultCode"/>
        <xsd:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="description" type="xsd:string"/>
      </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:restriction>
  </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

8.1.1.15 LoadConfigResponse

The GEMS-XML mapping for the LoadConfigResponse is as follows:

```
<xsd:complexType name="LoadConfigResponseType">
  <xsd:complexContent>
    <xsd:extension base="ResponseMessageType">
      <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="1" name="parameters_loaded" type="xsd:int"/>
      </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>
```

```
<xsd:element name="LoadConfigResponse" type="LoadConfigResponseType"/>
```
8.1.1.16  Save Config Response
The GEMS-XML mapping for the SaveConfigResponse message is as follows:

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="SaveConfigResponseType">
  <xsd:complexContent>
    <xsd:extension base="ResponseMessageType">
      <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element maxOccurs="1" minOccurs="1" name="parameters_saved" type="xsd:int"/>
      </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>

<xsd:element name="SaveConfigResponse" type="SaveConfigResponseType"/>
```

8.1.1.17  Get Config List Response
The GEMS-XML mapping for the GetConfigListResponse message is as follows:

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="GetConfigListResponseType">
  <xsd:complexContent>
    <xsd:extension base="ResponseMessageType">
      <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded" name="ConfigurationName" type="xsd:string"/>
      </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>

<xsd:element name="GetConfigListResponse" type="GetConfigListResponseType"/>
```

8.1.1.18  SetConfigResponse
The GEMS-XML mapping for the SetConfigResponse message is as follows:

```xml
<xsd:complexType name="SetConfigResponseType">
8.1.1.19 GetConfigResponse
The GEMS-XML mapping for the GetConfigResponse message is as follows:

```xml
<xs:element name="GetConfigResponse" type="GetConfigResponseType"/>
```

8.1.1.20 ConnectionRequestResponse
The GEMS-XML mapping for the ConnectionRequestResponse message is as follows:

```xml
<xs:element name="ConnectionRequestResponse" type="ConnectionRequestResponseType"/>
```
8.1.1.21 Directive Arguments

Directive arguments are represented in GEMS-XML as a sequence of Parameters.

```xml
<!--Define an ArgumentsType to be used by GEMS Directives -->
<xsd:complexType name="ArgumentsType">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element maxOccurs="unbounded" minOccurs="0" name="Parameter" type="Parameter"/>
  </xsd:sequence>
  <xsd:attribute name="directive_name" type="xsd:string" use="optional"/>
</xsd:complexType>
```

8.1.1.22 Directive Return Values

Directive return values are represented in GEMS-XML as a sequence of parameters.

```xml
<!--Define a ReturnValuesType to be used by GEMS Directive Responses -->
<xsd:complexType name="ReturnValuesType">
  <xsd:sequence>
    <xsd:element maxOccurs="unbounded" minOccurs="0" name="Parameter" type="Parameter"/>
    <xsd:element maxOccurs="unbounded" minOccurs="0" name="ParameterSet" type="ParameterSet"/>
  </xsd:sequence>
</xsd:complexType>
```

8.1.1.23 Directive Messages

The DirectiveMessage is the container for a directive. It is standard for all devices.

```xml
<!-- Define a DirectiveMessageType -->
<xsd:complexType name="DirectiveMessageType">
```
<xsd:complexContent>
  <xsd:restriction base="MessageType">
    <xsd:sequence>
      <xsd:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="directive_name" type="xsd:string"/>
      <xsd:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="arguments" type="ArgumentsType"/>
    </xsd:sequence>
  </xsd:restriction>
</xsd:complexContent>

<!-- Define a directive message -->
<xsd:element name="DirectiveMessage" type="DirectiveMessageType"/>

8.1.1.24 Directive Response

The DirectiveResponse is the contain for a directive response. It is standard for all devices.

<!-- Define a DirectiveResponseType -->
<xsd:complexType name="DirectiveResponseType">
  <xsd:complexContent>
    <xsd:extension base="ResponseMessageType">
      <xsd:sequence>
        <xsd:element minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="1" name="directive_name" type="xsd:string"/>
        <xsd:element minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1" name="return_values" type="ReturnValuesType"/>
      </xsd:sequence>
    </xsd:extension>
  </xsd:complexContent>
</xsd:complexType>

<!-- Define a directive response -->
<xsd:element name="DirectiveResponse" type="DirectiveResponseType"/>

8.1.1.25 GEMS Scheme End
</xsd:schema>
8.2 XML Examples

This section contains example GEMS-XML messages.

8.2.1 Directive Message/Response

The following is an example of a directive message that activates a frame synchronizer. This particular directive does require one argument and returns one value.

8.2.1.1 Directive Message Example

```xml
<DirectiveMessage
    xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
    transaction_id="1234"
    token="CS12345"
    target="FrameSync1"
    gems_version="1">
    <directive_name>run</directive_name>
    <Parameter name="enable">
        <boolean>true</boolean>
    </Parameter>
</DirectiveMessage>
```

8.2.1.2 Directive Message Response Example

```xml
<DirectiveResponse
    xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
    transaction_id="1234"
    token="CS12345"
    target="FrameSync1"
    gems_version="1">
    <Result>SUCCESS</Result>
    <directive_name>run</directive_name>
    <Parameter name="enabled">
        <boolean>true</boolean>
    </Parameter>
</DirectiveResponse>
```
8.2.2 LoadConfig Message/Response

The following is an example of a LoadConfigMessage.

8.2.2.1 LoadConfigMessage Example

<LoadConfigMessage
  xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
  transaction_id="1"
  token="CS12345"
  target="/SystemA/FrameSync1"
  gems_version="1">
  <name>configuration1.xml</name>
</LoadConfigMessage>

8.2.2.2 LoadConfigResponse Example

<LoadConfigResponse
  xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
  transaction_id="1"
  token="CS12345"
  target="FrameSync1"
  gems_version="1">
  <Result>SUCCESS</Result>
  <parameters_loaded>10</parameters_loaded>
</LoadConfigResponse>

8.2.3 GetConfigList Message / Response

The following is an example of a GetConfigListMessage.

8.2.3.1 GetConfigListMessage Example

<GetConfigListMessage
8.2.3.2 GetConfigList Response Example

```
<GetConfigListResponse
    xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
    transaction_id="1234"
    token="CS12345"
    target="FrameSync1"
    gems_version="1">
    <Result>SUCCESS</Result>
    <ConfigurationName>default.xml</ConfigurationName>
    <ConfigurationName>SpaceVehicle1.xml</ConfigurationName>
    <ConfigurationName>SpaceVehicle2.xml</ConfigurationName>
</GetConfigListResponse>
```

8.2.4 SetConfig Message/Response

The following is an example of a SetConfigMessage and its response. This example sends three parameters to be set. The last parameter provides an example of an array of values.

8.2.4.1 SetConfigMessage Example

```
<SetConfigMessage
    xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
    transaction_id="2"
    token="CS12345"
    target="/SystemA/FrameSync1"
    gems_version="1">
    <Parameter name="frame_length_in_bits">
```
8.2.4.2 SetConfigResponse Example

```xml
<SetConfigResponse
    xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
    transaction_id="1"
    token="CS12345"
    target="/SystemA/FrameSync1"
    gems_version="1">
  <Result>SUCCESS</Result>
  <parameters_set>1</parameters_set>
</SetConfigResponse>
```

8.2.5 SaveConfig Message/Response

The following is an example of a SaveConfigMessage.

8.2.5.1 SaveConfigMessage Example

```xml
<SaveConfigMessage
    xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
    transaction_id="1"
    token="CS12345"
    target="/SystemA/FrameSync1"
    gems_version="1">
  <Result>SUCCESS</Result>
```

<parameters_set>1</parameters_set>
</SaveConfigMessage>
target="FrameSync1"
gems_version="1">
  <name>configuration1.xml</name>
</SaveConfigMessage>

8.2.5.2 SaveConfigResponse Example

<SaveConfigResponse xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
  transaction_id="1"
  token="CS12345"
  target="/SystemA/FrameSync1"
  gems_version="1">
  <Result>SUCCESS</Result>
  <parameters_saved>10</parameters_saved>
</SaveConfigResponse>

8.2.6 Various GetConfig Messages and a Response

The following is an example of a GetConfigMessage requesting one parameter.

<GetConfigMessage xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
  transaction_id="2"
  token="CS12345"
  target="FrameSync1"
  gems_version="1">
  <Parameter name="frame_length_in_bits"/>
</GetConfigMessage>

GetConfigRequest with no parameters. This will return a GetConfigResponse with all available parameters and their values.

< GetConfigMessage
8.2.6.1 GetConfigResponse Examples

GetConfigResponse for previous GetConfigMessage requesting the frame_length_in_bits parameter.

```xml
<GetConfigResponse
    xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
    transaction_id="2"
    token="CS12345"
    target="FrameSync1"
    gems_version="1">
    <Result>SUCCESS</Result>
    <Parameter name="frame_length_in_bits">
        <long>2048</long>
    </Parameter>
</GetConfigResponse>
```

GetConfigResponse for previous GetConfigMessage requesting all parameters. This example assumes that the device only has two parameters.

```xml
<GetConfigResponse
    xmlns="http://www.omg.org/gems"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.omg.org/gems GEMS_base_types.xsd"
    transaction_id="2"
    token="CS12345"
    target="FrameSync1"
    gems_version="1">
    <Result>SUCCESS</Result>
    <Parameter name="frame_length_in_bits">
        <long>2048</long>
    </Parameter>
</GetConfigResponse>
```
8.3 **TCP/IP Message Structure**

Transfer of GEMS-XML messages across a network transport such as TCP/IP is done by simply writing the GEMS-XML message directly to the socket.
9 PIM (ASCII)

The ASCII PSM defines a simple ASCII message protocol usable across a variety of transport mechanisms, including networks, serial lines and internal data buses such as PCI. The message structure is human-readable and easy to process.

9.1 PIM to PSM Mapping

For the GEMS PIM TO PSM ASCII Mapping each supported message type is captured in a single table describing the message format. The message table defines the order of the fields within the message, the field tags placed within the message, and the field’s original range of values (ROVs).

All messages consist of a standard message header, followed by data in a message body consisting of fields uniquely associated with each type of message. Each message is terminated using a standard message trailer and is constructed from ASCII character fields.

9.1.1 Parameters

GEMS-ASCII parameters are represented within messages using a name, type, value triad as follows:

```
parameter_name:type=value
```

Multiplicity is represented using an array-like syntax common to many scripting languages. The values are specified using a comma separated list.

```
parameter_name[3]:type=value1,value2,value3
```

9.1.1.1 Parameter Types

The PSM ASCII Mapping supports all the parameter types defined by the GEMS PIM. The general format in ASCII for parameters is ‘parameter_name:parameter_type=parameter_value.’ Following is a table of examples ASCII formats for all of the parameter types.

Table 9.1 - Parameter Types and Formatting

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter Type</th>
<th>Example Format</th>
<th>Comments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>string</td>
<td>param:string=abc</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>boolean</td>
<td>param:bool=true</td>
<td>‘true’ and ‘false’ case insensitive</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>byte</td>
<td>param:byte=127</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ubyte</td>
<td>param:ubyte=255</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>hex_value</td>
<td>param:hex_value(22)=faf320</td>
<td>Bit length attribute in parenthesis</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>param:hex_value(22)=0xfaf320</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>double</td>
<td>param:double=10.12</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>long</td>
<td>param:long=-999999999</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ulong</td>
<td>param:ulong=9999999999</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>int</td>
<td>param:int=123</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
9.1.1.2 Parameter Sets

In the PSM ASCII Mapping parameter sets may be defined by the additional use of colons. For example an array of integers would be represented as follows:

```
param:int[3]:int=1,int=2,int=3
```

Mixed parameter sets follow the same model:

```
mixed_param_set:set_type=param_1:int=1,param_2:boolean=true,param_3:string=a short string,
```

9.1.2 Reserved Words and Special Characters

The following words are reserved and should not be used as parameter or target names:

```
|GEMS| and |END|
```

The following characters are special but can be escaped with a forward slash “/” when used in string parameter values:

```
|  
,  
```

9.1.3 Message Header

The message header maps directly to the GEMS base message class. The first three fields are fixed length to simplify processing. After that, all fields are variable length and use the pipe symbol, |, as a delimiter.

The following diagram shows the message header and footer.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Table 9.1 - Parameter Types and Formatting</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>uint</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>short</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ushort</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>time</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Value is seconds.nanoseconds in UTC where nanoseconds are fractional.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The following table defines each field, the expected field length and the range of values.

**Table 9.2 - Standard Request Message Fields**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Names</th>
<th>Length (char)</th>
<th>Range of Values</th>
<th>Comments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Start of Message</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>GEMS</td>
<td>Invariant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GEMS Version</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>01 – 99</td>
<td>Message Format Version</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Message Length</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>000074 – 999999</td>
<td>Total Length of the message (in bytes), including the start of message, standard header, message body and the end of message</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transaction ID</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>0-999,999,999</td>
<td>Client specified transaction ID. The reply will reflect this number back to the client for message correlation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Token</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Alphanumeric</td>
<td>Token provided by the device or proxy in the connect response.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Timestamp</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>111111111.222000000</td>
<td>Timestamp of when the message was sent in UTC. Uses the format of the time parameter specified in: Table 8.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Target</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Alphanumeric</td>
<td>The target field identifies the target of the message for the initial request and the source of the message for the reply.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The message header for a response contains the same first 7 fields as the message plus an additional 2 fields providing result codes and descriptions.

Table 9.3 - Response Message Fields

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Names</th>
<th>Length (char)</th>
<th>Range of Values</th>
<th>Comments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Standard Header</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2&gt;</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Result Code</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Alphanumeric</td>
<td>One of the following GEMS PIM result codes: SUCCESS, INVALID_RANGE, INVALID_PARAMETER, INVALID_TARGET, INVALID_VERSION, INVALID_STATE, CONFLICTING_PARAMETER, UNSUPPORTED_MESSAGE, MALFORMED_MESSAGE, COMMUNICATION_ERROR, INTERNAL_ERROR, ACCESS_DENIED, OTHER</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Result Description</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Alphanumeric</td>
<td>Free text device specific description of the corresponding result code</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

9.1.4 Message Trailer

The message trailer ends all request and response messages and is represented as follows:
### 9.1.5 ConnectMessage and Response

The following table describes the ConnectMessage body and response format.

#### 9.1.5.1 ConnectMessage

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Names</th>
<th>Length (char)</th>
<th>Range of Values</th>
<th>Comments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End of Message</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>END</td>
<td>Invariant</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### Table 9.4 - Message Trailer Fields

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Names</th>
<th>Length (char)</th>
<th>Range of Values</th>
<th>Comments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>End of Message</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>END</td>
<td>Invariant</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

#### 9.1.5.2 ConnectMessage Response

The ConnectMessage Response nothing more than the standard response header and trailer with the message type set to CON-R. See Sections 9.1.3 and 9.1.4.

#### 9.1.6 DisconnectMessage

The following table describes the DisconnectMessage body. There is no corresponding response message.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Names</th>
<th>Length (char)</th>
<th>Range of Values</th>
<th>Comments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Standard Header</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2 &gt;</td>
<td>Message Type Field = DISC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Standard Trailer</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.4 &gt;</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
9.1.7 GetConfigMessage and Response

The following tables describe the message body for the GetConfigMessage and its corresponding response.

9.1.7.1 GetConfigMessage

Table 9.7 - Get Configuration Request Message

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Names</th>
<th>Length (char)</th>
<th>Range of Values</th>
<th>Comments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Standard Header</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2 &gt;</td>
<td>Message Type Field = GET</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Number of Parameters</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Numeric</td>
<td>Number of parameters requested. A blank entry indicates the client desires all parameters available.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parameter Name 1</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Alphanumeric</td>
<td>Name of first parameter value requested. Only required if Number of Parameters field is greater than 0.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>...</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parameter Name n</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Alphanumeric</td>
<td>Name of nth parameter requested. Only required if Number of Parameters field is greater than n -1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Standard Trailer</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.4 &gt;</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
9.1.7.2 GetConfigMessage Response

Table 9.8 - Get Configuration Response Message

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Names</th>
<th>Length (char)</th>
<th>Range of Values</th>
<th>Comments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Standard Response Header</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2 &gt;</td>
<td>Message Type = GET-R</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Number of Parameters Returned</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Numeric</td>
<td>Number of parameters returned.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parameter Value 1</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.1 &gt;</td>
<td>Value of first parameter requested.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>...</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parameter Value n</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.1 &gt;</td>
<td>Value of nth parameter requested.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Standard Trailer</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.4 &gt;</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

9.1.8 SetConfigMessage and Response

The following tables describe message body for the SetConfigMessage and its corresponding response.

9.1.8.1 SetConfigMessage

Table 9.9 - Set Configuration Request Message

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Names</th>
<th>Length (char)</th>
<th>Range of Values</th>
<th>Comments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Standard Header</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2 &gt;</td>
<td>Message Type Field = SET</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Number of Parameters</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Numeric ( &gt; 0 )</td>
<td>Number of parameters modified.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parameter Value 1</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.1 &gt;</td>
<td>Value of first parameter.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>...</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
9.1.8.2 SetConfigMessage Response

Table 9.10 - Set Configuration Response Message

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field Names</th>
<th>Length (char)</th>
<th>Range of Values</th>
<th>Comments</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Standard Response Header</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2 &gt;</td>
<td>Message Type = SET-R</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Number of Parameters Successfully Set</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Numeric ( &gt;= 0 )</td>
<td>Number of parameters returned.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Valid State</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>TRUE or FALSE</td>
<td>Whether or not the set succeeded.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
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9.1.9 Save/LoadConfigMessage and Response

The following tables describe the message body and response for both the Save and LoadConfigMessages.

9.1.9.1 Save and LoadConfigMessage

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<th>Field Names</th>
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<tr>
<td>Standard Header</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2 &gt;</td>
<td>Message Type Field = SAVE or LOAD</td>
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<td>Field Delimiter</td>
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<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
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<td>Standard File Naming Conventions</td>
<td>Name of file configuration is saved to or loaded from</td>
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### 9.1.9.2 Save and LoadConfigResponse

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<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2 &gt;</td>
<td>Message Type = SAVE-R or LOAD-R</td>
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<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parameters Successfully Saved or Loaded</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Numeric ( &gt;= 0 )</td>
<td>Number of parameters successfully saved to or loaded from file</td>
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### 9.1.10 GetConfigListMessage and Response

The following tables describe the message body and response for the GetConfigListMessage.

#### 9.1.10.1 GetConfigListMessage

**Table 9.11 - GetConfigList Request Message**

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#### 9.1.10.2 GetConfigListMessage Response

**Table 9.12 - GetConfigListMessage Response**

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<td>Standard Header</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2 &gt;</td>
<td>Message Type Field = DIR-R</td>
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<tr>
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<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Number of Configuration Names</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Numeric ( &gt;= 0 )</td>
<td>Number of configuration names available</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Configuration Name 1</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Alphanumeric</td>
<td>Name of 1st configuration available</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
Table 9.12 - GetConfigListMessage Response

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Configuration Name n</th>
<th>Variable</th>
<th>Alphanumeric</th>
<th>Name of nth configuration available</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Standard Trailer</td>
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9.1.11 DirectiveMessage and Response

The following tables describe the message body and response for the DirectiveMessage.

9.1.11.1 DirectiveMessage

Table 9.13 - Directive Request Message

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<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2 &gt;</td>
<td>Message Type Field = DIR</td>
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<td>Directive Name</td>
<td>Variable Alphanumeric</td>
<td>Name of the directive to execute</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Number of Parameters</td>
<td>Variable Numeric (&gt;= 0)</td>
<td>Number of parameters to be passed into directive</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parameter 1</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.1 &gt;</td>
<td>1st parameter of directive. Only if Number of Parameters field is &gt; 0.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>...</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parameter n</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.1 &gt;</td>
<td>nth parameter of directive. Only if Directive Number of Parameters field is &gt; n -1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
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9.1.11.2 DirectiveMessage Response

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<tr>
<td>Standard Header</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.2 &gt;</td>
<td>Message Type Field = DIR-R</td>
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<td>Field Delimiter</td>
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<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
### 9.2 ASCII Examples

This section contains example ASCII messages.

#### 9.2.1 ConnectMessage Example

**Message:**

| GEMS|01|000122|123| |111111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|CON|CONTROL_AND_STATUS|END

**Response:**

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|111111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|CON-R|SUCCESSThe CON request was successful.|END

#### 9.2.2 DisconnectMessage Example

**Message:**

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|111111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|DISC |NORMAL_TERMINATION|END

#### 9.2.3 GetConfigMessage Example

**Message:**

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|111111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|GET| 2|length_in_bits|sync_pattern|END

**Response:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Directive Name</th>
<th>Variable</th>
<th>Alphanumeric</th>
<th>Name of the directive</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
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<td>1</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Number of Return Values</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>Numeric ( &gt;= 0 )</td>
<td>Number of returned values</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return Value 1</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.1 &gt;</td>
<td>1st return parameter. Only if Number of Return Values field is &gt; 0.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Delimiter</td>
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<td>Pipe character (ASCII 124)</td>
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<tr>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
<td>...</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return Value n</td>
<td>Variable</td>
<td>&lt;See Table 9.1 &gt;</td>
<td>nth return parameter. Only if Number of Return Values field is &gt; n -1</td>
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<tr>
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</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| Standard Trailer | 3 | <See Table 9.4 > | }
9.2.4 SetConfigMessage Example

Message:

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|11111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|SET|length_in_bits:uint=2048|sync_pattern:hexvalue(22)=FAF320|END

Response:

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|11111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|SET-R|SUCCESS| The SET request was successful. |2|TRUE|END

9.2.5 SaveConfigMessage Example

Message:

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|11111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|SAVE|Some_File_Name|END

Response:

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|11111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|SAVE-R|SUCCESS|The SAVE request was successful. |100|0|END

9.2.6 LoadConfigMessage Example

Message:

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|11111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|LOAD|Some_File_Name|END

Response:

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|11111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|LOAD-R|SUCCESS|The LOAD request was successful. |100|END

9.2.7 DirectiveMessage Example

Message:

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|11111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|DIR|sendVehicleCommand|1|command:hex_value(63)=FF1234567890ABCDFF|END

Response:

| GEMS|01|000122|123|CS123|11111111.222000000 |FrameSync1|DIR-R|SUCCESS|The DIR request was successful. |sendVehicleCommand|1| accepted:bool=true|END

9.3 TCP/IP Message Structure

The GEMS-ASCII messages contain all of the information necessary for transport across both networks and serial data buses. The message are written directly to a socket or serial port. No additional header information is required.
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