

Proposal for Backwards Compatibility of SCA Applications [Use Case 1.1]

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Proposal

This document contains a proposal to change the SCAv4.0.1 specification to add support for SCAv2.2.2 applications. To be more precise, this proposal will allow SCAv2.2.2 applications to run on a SCA4.x Core Framework as a whole. The original version of this proposal was submitted by Gerald L Bickle (Raytheon) in January 2014. It was subsequently amended via a number of proposals/suggestions made by different members of the Wireless Innovation Forum Task Group on SCAv4.1 Backwards Compatibility.

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Recommendation

SCA V4 Backwards Compatible UOF

- The backwards compatible UOF gives the optional capability of deploying SCA V222 application within a SCA V4 operating environment.
 - Does this by using SCA V2.2.2 Resource, ResourceFactory, Port, and Port Supplier interfaces that is used only for SCA V4 backwards compatible UOF capability.
 - Other SCA V4 Base interfaces are backwards compatible
- Remove SCA V4 Resource interface
- Can allow for a mixture of SCA 2.2.2 application components with SCA 4 application as long as nested applications are supported.

SCA V4 Recommendations

- Separate SCA Version Descriptors
- Domain Manager Configuration Descriptor
- Device Configuration Descriptor
- Application Backwards Compatible Units of Functionality (UOF)
- Main Spec Changes
- Appendix C IDL Changes
- SCA Guidelines Doc
- Mixture Approach

Separate SCA Version Descriptors

Allow for Separate Software Assembly Descriptor Approach

- Allows both SCA 2.2.2 and SCA 4.X DTDs to be used in SCA Operating Environment.

SCA 2.2.2 and SCA 4.X DTD file names have to be uniquely qualified

- Only two SCA 4.0 DTDs are backwards compatible with SCA 2.2.2 DTDs
 - Properties
 - Software Package Descriptor
- DTD File Naming Conventions Recommendation
 - softwareassembly.2.2.2.dtd versus softwareassembly.4.1.dtd
 - softwarecomponent.2.2.2.dtd versus softwarecomponent.4.1.dtd
 - deviceconfiguration.2.2.2.dtd versus deviceconfiguration.4.1.dtd

Separate SCA Version Descriptors

Add SCA Version attribute to SAD DTD to indicate the CDATA SCA version attribute with a default value (V4.1) in case CF run-time needs that information.

- D-1.10.1 softwareassembly
 - Add Text “The softwareassembly element’s sca_version attribute is the version (i.e., V4.1) of the SCA”
 - Update Figure with sca_version attribute and format correctly
 - XML Change

```
<!ATTLIST softwareassembly name ID #REQUIRED
```

```
sca_version CDATA “V4.1”
```

```
version CDATA #IMPLIED>
```

Domain Manager Configuration Descriptor

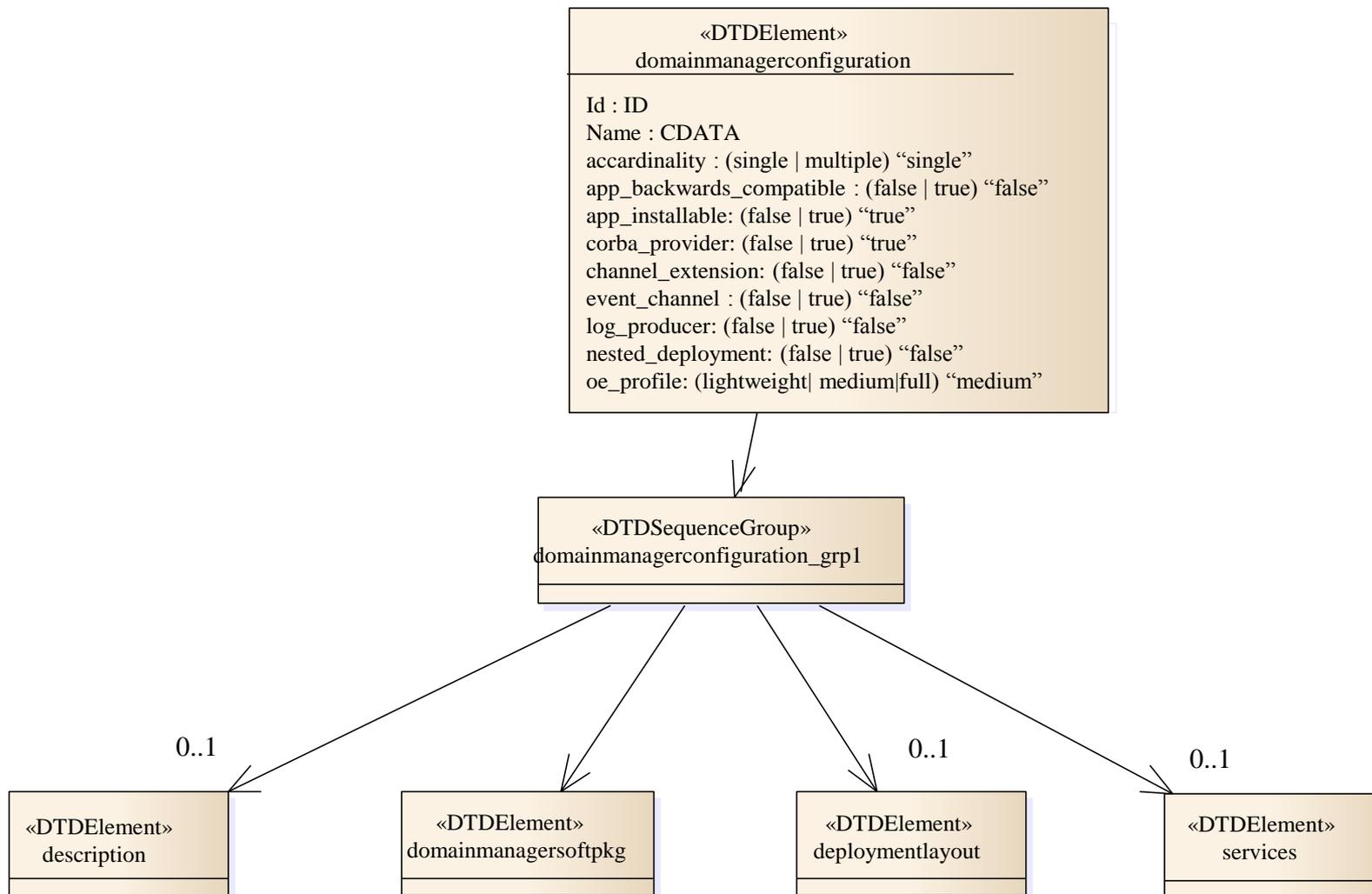
- **Add compatible attribute with default value of false to indicate whether or not compatible is supported. False means compatible is not supported while true means compatible is supported.**
 - SCA V4 Backwards Compatible supported indication
 - “app_backwards_compatible (false | true) “false”>”
- **The attribute allows SCA certification to know when to test for compatible UOF.**
- **Add other UOF attributes to DMD to D-1.12.1**
 - app_installable, corba_provider, channel_extension, event_channel, log_producer, and nested_deployment.
 - oe_profile attribute indicates the operating environment profile supported by the DomainManagerComponent.
- **Update Figure**
- **Update XML**

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domainmanager.configuration

- **Add text to section.**
 - The app_backwards_compatible, app_installable, corba_provider, channel_extension, event_channel, log_producer, and nested_deployment attributes indicate the optional Units of Functionality (UOF) supported by the DomainManagerComponent. Cardinality indicated whether multiple assembly controllers are supported. The oe_profile attribute indicates the operating environment profile supported by the DomainManagerComponent.

Appendix D Figure 42 Changes



SCA V4.1 DMD DTD Changes

<!ELEMENT domainmanagerconfiguration

(description?

, domainmanagersoftpkg

, deploymentlayout?

, services?

)>

<!ATTLIST domainmanagerconfiguration

id ID #REQUIRED

name CDATA #REQUIRED

accardinality (single | multiple) "single"

app_backwards_compatible (false | true) "false"

app_installable (false | true) "true"

corba_provider (false | true) "true"

channel_extension (false | true) "false"

event_channel (false | true) "false"

log_producer (false | true) "false"

nested_deployment (false | true) "false"

oe_profile (lightweight| medium|full) "medium">

Device Manager Configuration Descriptor

- **If UOFs attributes are added to DMD then to be consistent UOFs are added to DCD.**
- **Update Element deviceconfiguration**
- **Add text to D-1.11.1**
- **Figure 36 could be updated to depict attributes**

SCA V4.1 DCD DTD Changes

<!ELEMENT deviceconfiguration

(description?

, devicemanagersoftpkg

, componentfiles?

, partitioning?

, connections?

, domainmanager

, filesystemnames?

)>

<!ATTLIST deviceconfiguration

id ID #REQUIRED

name CDATA #IMPLIED

corba_provider (false | true) “true”

log_capable (false | true) “false”

log_producer (false | true) “false”

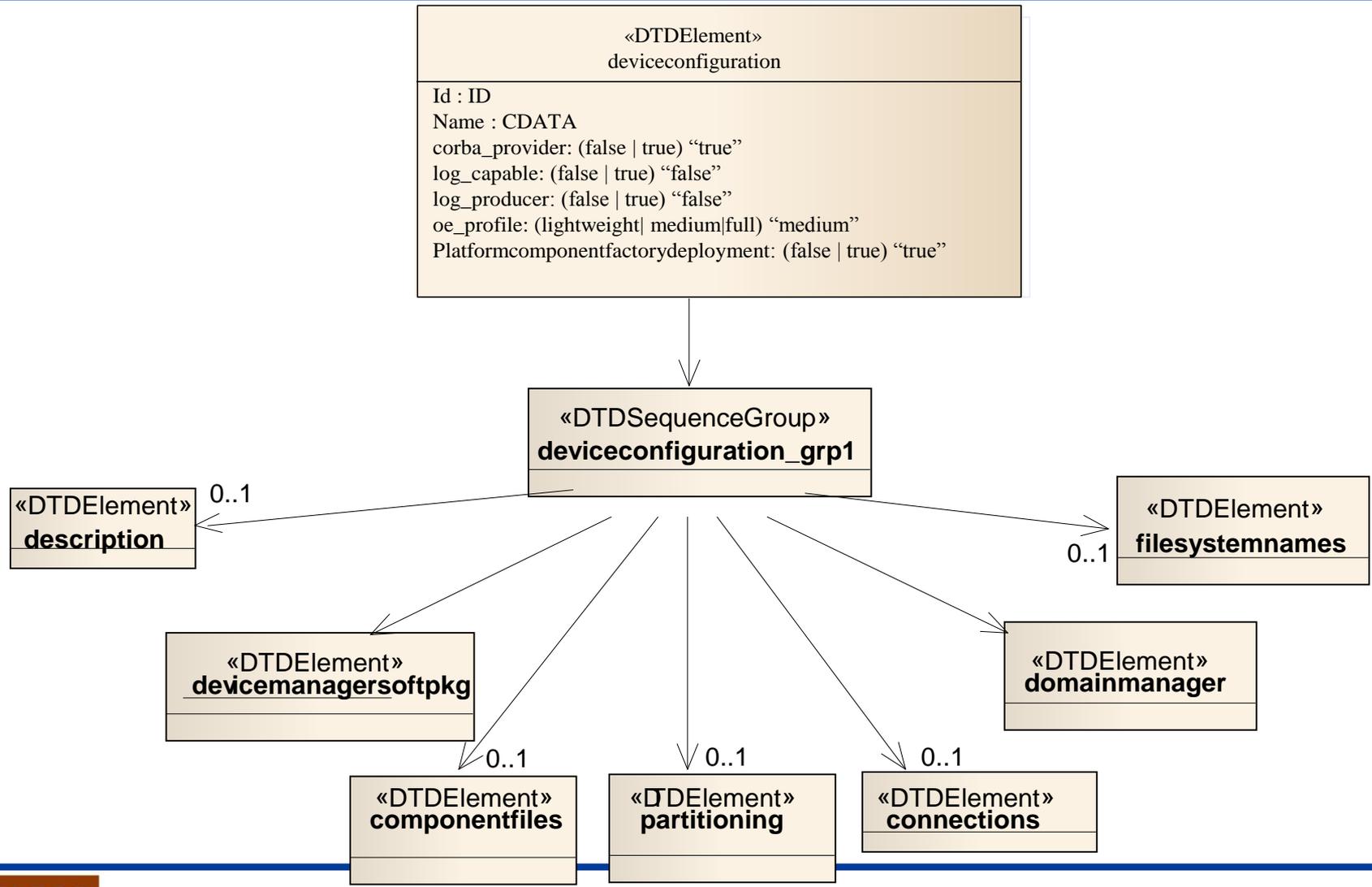
oe_profile (lightweight| medium|full) “medium”

platformcomponentfactorydeployment (false | true) “true”>

Appendix D 1.11.1 deviceconfiguration

- **Add text to section.**
 - The corba_provider, log_capable, log_producer, and platformcomponentfactorydeployment attributes indicate the optional Units of Functionality (UOF) supported by the DeviceManagerComponent. The oe_profile attribute indicates the operating environment profile supported by the DeviceManagerComponent.

DCD Figure 36



Application Backwards Compatible Units of Functionality (UOF)

- **Add an optional Backwards Compatible UOF to SCA 4.1 Appendix F Operating Environment (OE) profile to indicate a SCA 4.1 OE supports the install, uninstall, deploy and teardown a SCA 2.2.2 Application**
 - If mixture of app SCA versions components then another compatible would have to be defined to indicate this UOF.
- **F-6.1 Target Operating Environment Units of Functionality**

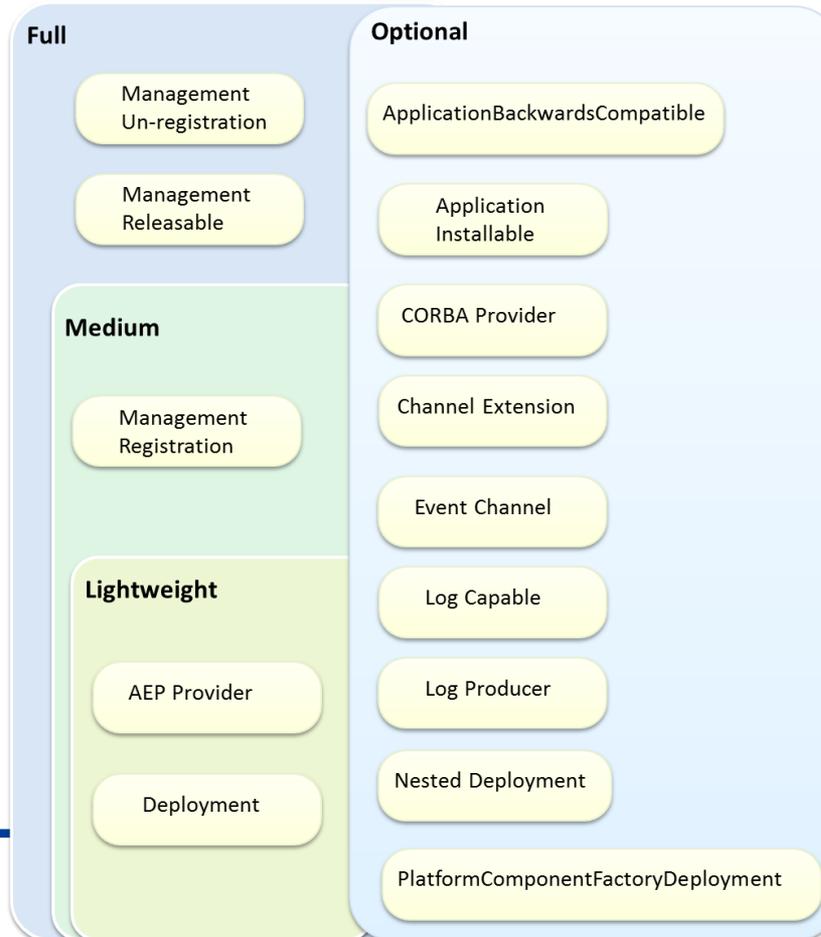
- | | |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AEP Provider | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – provides the SCA Application Environment Profiles (AEP) capability |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application Backwards Compatible | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provides SCA V2.2.2. Application backwards compatibility capability |

Application Backwards Compatible UOF - Appendix F

Operating Environment Changes

F-7 SCA PROFILES

- Add optional Application Backwards Compatible UOF to figure



Main Spec Changes

- **Add SCA 2.2.2 Normative Reference**
- **Resource Interface**
- **Application Interface**
- **Application Factory Interface**
- **Domain Installation Interface**
- **Application Manager Component Constraints**
- **SCA OE Conformance**

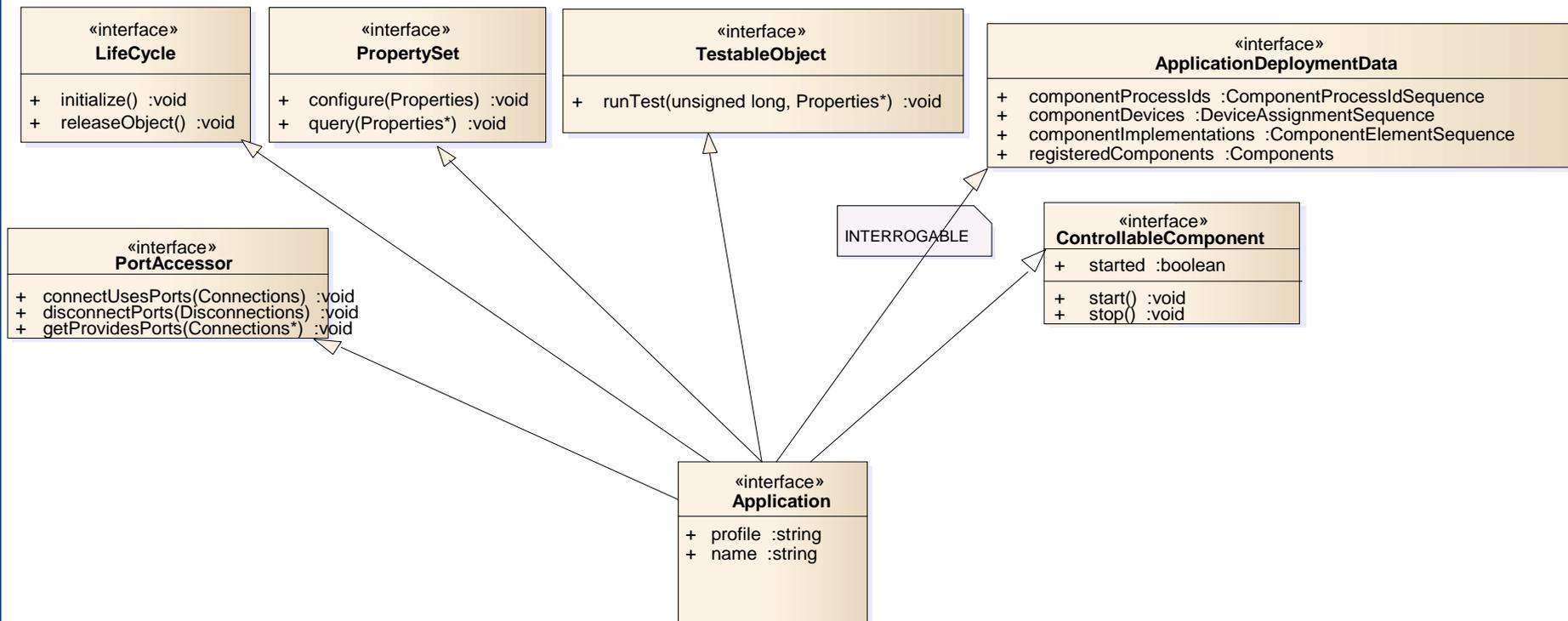
Main Spec Changes – Normative Reference

- **1.4 NORMATIVE REFERENCES**
 - [3] SOFTWARE COMMUNICATIONS ARCHITECTURE SPECIFICATION, Version 2.2.2, 15 May 2006
 - Note other references in spec get affected by this insertion

Main Spec Changes – SCA V4 CF Resource Interface

- **The SCA4 Backwards Compatibility Task Group recommends not to define an interface that joins all the application sub-component interfaces of SCA4 together (as the Resource interface does for older SCA specifications)**
 - Remove Resource Interface from Spec.
 - The Scalable Component Changes will make changes to Resource Component types in spec.

Main Spec Changes – SCA V4 CF Application



Main Spec Changes – Application Factory Interface Changes

- 3.1.3.3.1.3.5.1.3 Behavior
 - Add
 - SCA_TBD The *create* operation shall create a SCA V2.2.2 Application [3]. A SCA V2.2.2 application being created adheres to the requirements in SCA V2.2.2.
 - Optional requirement – Application Backwards Compatible UOF

Main Spec Changes – DomainInstallation Interface Changes

- **3.1.3.3.1.5.5.1.3 installApplication Behavior**
 - Add
 - SCA_TBD The *installApplication* operation shall install a SCA V2.2.2 application [3]. A SCA V2.2.2 application being installed adheres to the requirements in SCA V2.2.2.
 - Optional requirement – Application Backwards Compatible UOF
- **Add exception requirement to D.1.3.3.1.5.5.1.5 Exceptions/Errors**
 - SCA_TBD The *installApplication* operation shall raise the *ApplicationInstallationError* exception when SCA 2.2.2 Application installation is not supported.
- **3.1.3.3.1.5.5.2.3 uninstallApplication Behavior**
 - Add
 - SCA_TBD The *uninstallApplication* operation shall uninstall a SCA V2.2.2 application [3]. A SCA V2.2.2 application being uninstalled adheres to the requirements in SCA V2.2.2.
 - Optional requirement – Application Backwards Compatible UOF

Main Spec Changes – Application Manager Component Changes

- **Add Application Backwards Compatible requirement to Constraints section 3.1.3.3.2.2.4**
 - SCA_TBD An ApplicationManagerComponent shall release a SCA V2.2.2 application [3]. An SCA V2.2.2 application being release adheres to the requirements in SCA V2.2.2.
 - SCA_TBD An ApplicationManagerComponent shall delegate configure, query, start, stop, and runTest operations to a SCA V2.2.2 application assembly controller.
 - Optional requirements – Application Backwards Compatible UOF

Main Spec Changes – SCA OE Component Conformance Changes

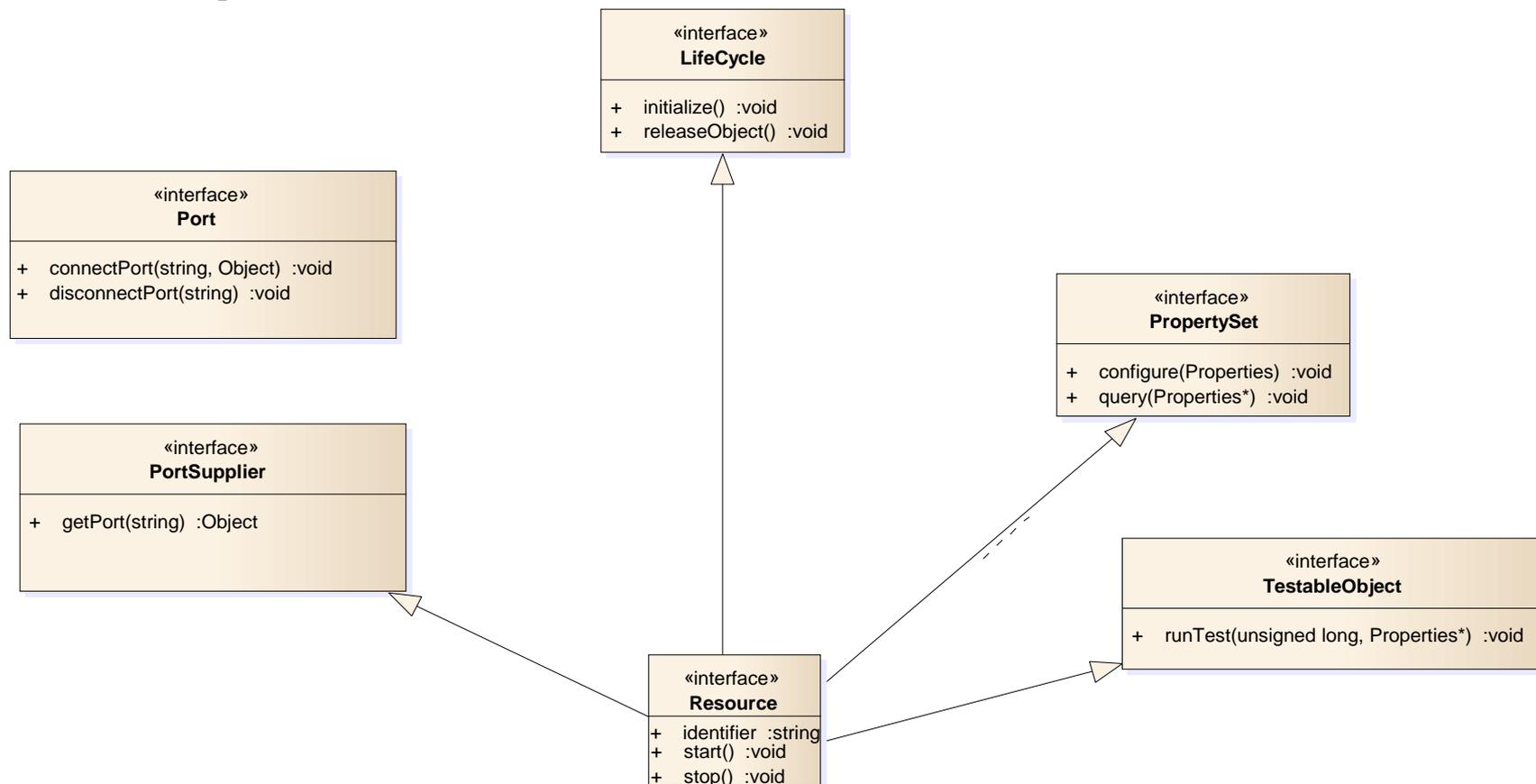
- **Section 4.1.2 – Add statements**
 - The DomainManagerComponent indicates the levels of Units of Functionality conformance by its DMD attributes.
 - The DeviceManagerComponent indicates the levels of Units of Functionality conformance by its DCD attributes

Appendix C IDL Changes

- **Remove SCA V4 Resource Interface**
- **SCA V4 CF Application Interface inherits CF Base interfaces not CF Resource.**
 - Modify C.7.4.1 CFApplication IDL
- **Add a SCA V2.2.2 CF IDL section (C.7.6 SCA 2.2.2 Base Application) to Appendix C.**
 - SCA V2.2.2 CF IDL only contains the CF::Resource, Port, PortSupplier, and CF::ResourceFactory interfaces that are needed for SCA 2.2.2 application deployment and teardown.
 - The Resource interface uses SCA V4 interfaces and SCA V2.2.2 Port interface.

SCA V2.2.2 Resource

- Uses SCA V4 Base Interfaces that are backwards compatible with SCA V2.2.2 base interfaces



SCA V2.2.2 Resource

```
//Source file: CFResource.idl

#ifndef __CFRESOURCE_DEFINED
#define __CFRESOURCE_DEFINED

#include "CFLifeCycle.idl"
#include "CFPropertySet.idl"
#include "CFTestableObject.idl"

module CF {

    /* The Resource interface provides a common interface for the control
       and configuration of a software component. */
    interface Resource : LifeCycle, TestableObject, PropertySet, PortSupplier {
```

SCA V4 Guidelines Doc

- **Documentation needs to be updated to be address application backwards compatible and give guidance on application backwards compatible**

Mixture Approach

- **It is worth pointing out the current proposal would support the use of an SCAv222 application as a component within a SCAv4 nested application**
 - Simply relies on the optional support for nested applications
- **The support for a non-nested application contain a mix of SCAv4 and SCAv222 components is not supported by this proposal**
 - Discussion on this topic has been deferred to future discussion by the WinnF SCAv4 Backwards Compatibility Task Group