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1 Scope

As a result of the analysis of the requirements for the harmonization of the 3GPP and TM Forum Information Models in the context of FMC basic use cases were developed [0], [0]. These use cases led to the recognition that it would be necessary to define common model elements applicable for wire-line and wireless networks. This document defines these common model elements.

To be noted:

- The Umbrella Information Model (UIM) described in this document provides the set of classes etc. that have been agreed for convergence to strengthen consistency of representation in the fixed and mobile environments. For full management of an FNIM solution many other classes will be required in addition to those in the UIM.
- The UIM is necessary but not sufficient for implementation.
- The UIM cannot be used directly for implementation. Implementation classes must be derived from those in the UIM by Inheritance or some other appropriate mechanism.
- Classes derived from those in the UIM (e.g. for the fixed environment) must use different names from those used in the UIM.
- Where an implementation class is essentially identical to the abstract class defined in UIM the name of the implementation class should be the same as that of the UIM minus the underscore, e.g. the UIM class "*Function_*" would become "Function".

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- [1] ATM Forum, Technical Committee, Network Management, M4 Network View CMIP MIB Specification, "CMIP Specification for the M4 Interface", Sep, 1995.
- [2] 3GPP TS 32.xyz series on NRM.
- [3] 3GPP TS 32.300 "Telecommunication management; Configuration Management; Name convention for Managed Objects".
- [4] 3GPP S5-102610 "S5vTMFa033 E NSN Proposed enhancement of Generic NRM IOCs v3".
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- [6] 3GPP TR 32.833 "Study on Management of Converged Networks" (3GPP SA5).
- [7] TM Forum GB922, "Information Framework (SID) Suite, Release 9.5" <http://www.tmforum.org/DocumentsInformation/GB922InformationFramework/45189/article.html>.
- [8] TM Forum MTOSI 2.1: (<http://www.tmforum.org/MTOSIRelease21/11998/home.html>).
- [9] TM Forum "SD1-44_ConnectionlessTechnologyManagement.pdf"(part of [0]) (Especially Appendix III Mapping MEF – MTNMETH).

- [10] TM Forum "SD1-7_DSLOverview.pdf" (part of [0]).
- [11] TM Forum "SD1-18_layers.pdf" (part of [0]) (Especially "4.2.7 ATM and SDH capable STM-4").
- [12] TM Forum "Connectionless, Connection Oriented Convergence and TP Modelling" (<http://tmforum.org/FeatureDescription/ConnectionlessConnection/41718/article.html>).
- [13] TM Forum TR 146 "Lifecycle Compatibility Release 1.0" (<http://www.tmforum.org/TechnicalReports/TR146LifecycleCompatibility/36664/article.html>).
- [14] TM Forum TR 166 "Information Model Federation Concepts and Principles" (<http://collab.tmforum.org/sf/go/doc13634?nav=1>).
- [15] Fixed Mobile Convergence (FMC) Federated Network Information Model (FNIM).
- [16] TM Forum MTOSI "SD1-25_objectNaming.pdf" (part of [0]).
- [17] ITU-T X.200 (07/1994) "Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Basic Reference Model: The basic model".

3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following definitions, symbols and abbreviations apply. For definitions, symbols and abbreviations not found here. See also Fixed Mobile Convergence (FMC) Federated Network Information Model (FNIM) [0].3.2 Symbols

3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in TR 21.905 [x] and the following apply. An abbreviation defined in the present document takes precedence over the definition of the same abbreviation, if any, in TR 21.905 [x].

| | |
|-------|---|
| AS | Application Server (3GPP) |
| BBF | Broadband Forum |
| CIM | Common Information Model (DMTF) |
| CP | Connection Point |
| DM | Domain Manager |
| DN | Distinguished Name |
| DTMF | Distributed Management Task Force |
| EM | Element Manager |
| FNIM | Federated Network Information Model |
| FMC | Fixed Mobile Convergence |
| HLR | Home Location Register (3GPP) |
| IOC | Information Managed Object |
| IRP | Integration Reference Point (3GPP) |
| LR | Layer Rate |
| LT | Layer Termination |
| ME | Managed Element |
| MTNM | Multi Technology Network Management (TM Forum) |
| MTOSI | Multi Technology Operations System Interface (TM Forum) |
| NE | Network Element |
| NM | Network Management |
| NRM | Network Resource Model (3GPP) |
| NW | Network |
| SDO | Standards Development Organization |
| SID | Shared Information & Data Model (TM Forum) |
| SLF | Subscription Location Function (3GPP) |

| | |
|-------|---|
| TCP | Termination Connection Point |
| TPE | Termination Point Encapsulation |
| UIM | Umbrella Information Model |
| UML | Unified Modeling Language |
| UTRAN | Universal Terrestrial Radio Access Network (3GPP) |
| VCAT | Virtual Concatenation |
| VLR | Visitors Location Register (3GPP) |

4 UIM – Partition operational

4.1 Introduction

This section introduces a number of classes that form the UIM. These classes are represented in UML and are implementation neutral views in that they only capture the semantics of the model from both a purpose neutral and purpose specific perspective. They do not:

- a) Include syntax or representation of the information in a system or on-the-wire between systems;
- b) Relate to the protocol used to create/delete/read/write/modify the NM information.

Various SDOs and organizations are expected to use the UIM classes for definition of Domain/Technology-specific model classes. This procedure will maximize the probability of the domain/technology specific concrete classes (from various SDOs) being semantically consistent, a necessary characteristic for FMC NM purposes.

Currently, 3GPP SA5 defines its abstract classes in its Generic NRM IRP [0] and defines concrete classes in other NRM IRPs such as EUTRAN NRM IRP. 3GPP/SA5 have agreement and will consider changes in classes in its Generic NRM IRP such that they are harmonized (if not identical) to those (to-be-defined) as UIM classes. Classes from other IRPs that are relevant for consideration in the UIM are likely to be reflected in some way in the Generic NRM IRP for use in the UIM.

4.2 Class diagram

The criteria for choosing these classes is their relevance to (e.g. can be used by) Domain/Technology-specific model classes (e.g. 3GPP/SA5 network resource model [0], BBF ATM network management model [**Error! Reference source not found.**], TMF MTNM, DMTF CIM)”

Note that this set of classes is basic in that their definitions and usage are necessary for the harmonization of various Domain/Technology-specific model classes, forming the so-called FNIM.

These classes are *abstract*. Other classes are for further study.

- *Domain_* (similar to *SubNetwork* of 3GPP [0] and *MultiLayerSubNetwork* of SID/MTOSI [0])
- *Function_* (similar to *ManagedFunction* of 3GPP [0] and *LogicalResource* of SID/MTOSI [0])
- *LayerTermination_* (similar to a single layer in the *layerParameterList_T* structure of SID/MTOSI [7])
- *ManagedElement_* (similar to *ManagedElement* of 3GPP [0] and SID/MTOSI [0])
- *ManagementSystem_* (similar to *ManagementNode* of 3GPP [0] and *OperationsSystem* of SID/MTOSI [7])
- *TerminationPointEncapsulation_* (similar to *TerminationPoint* of SID/MTOSI [0])
- *Top_* (similar to *Top* [0] of 3GPP and *RootEntity* of SID/MTOSI [0])
- *TopologicalLink_* (similar to *Link* [0] of 3GPP and *TopologicalLink* of SID/MTOSI [0])

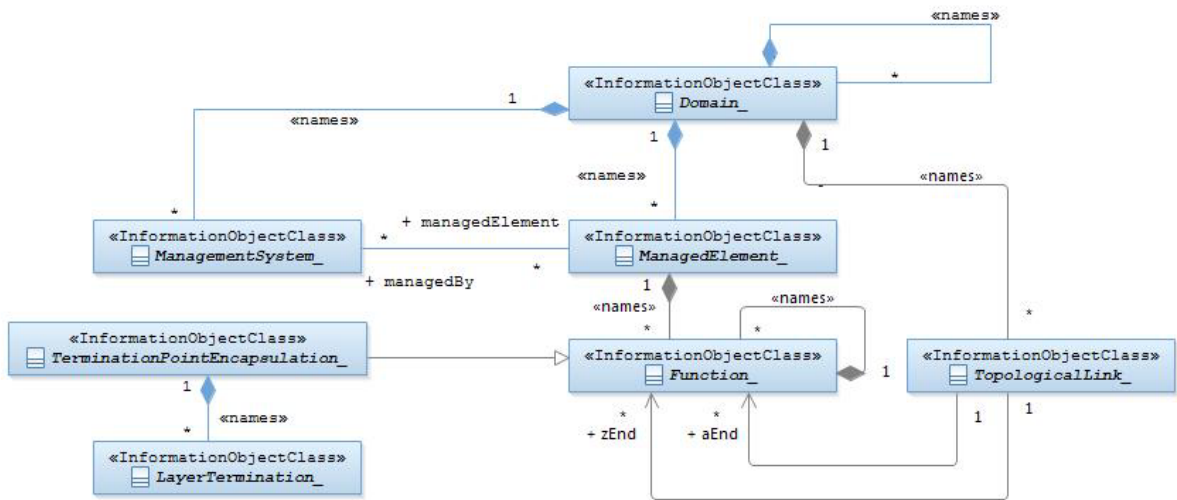


Figure 1: Class diagram

Note: The above class diagram shows the naming and as well as inheritance relations.

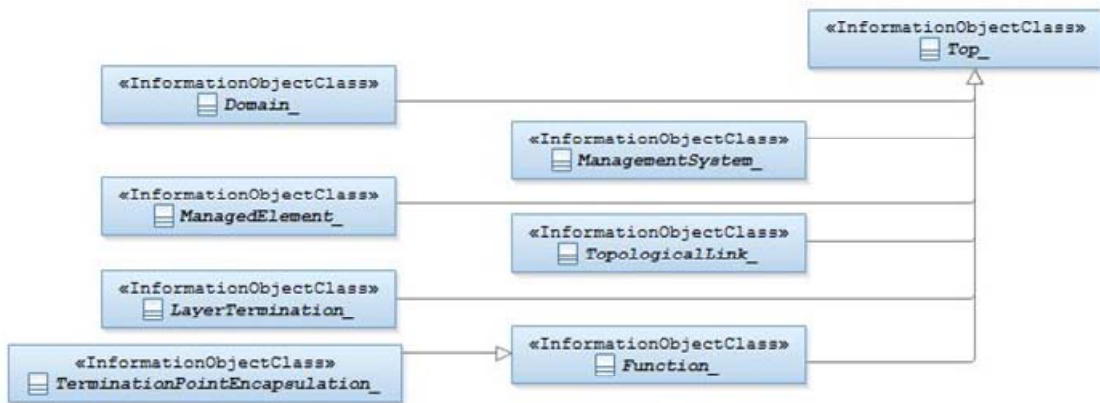


Figure 2: Inheritance class diagram

4.3 Class definitions

4.3.1 Domain_

4.3.1.1 Definition

This class groups managed entities:

- Such that the group represents a topological structure which describes the potential for connectivity;
- Subject to common administration;
- With common characteristics.

A domain is a partition of instances of managed entities.

4.3.1.2 Attributes

| Attribute Name | Support Qualifier | isReadable | isWritable | isInvariant | isNotifiable |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| dnPrefix | M | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |
| userLabel | M | M | M | - | M |
| | | T | T | F | T |
| userDefinedNetworkType | M | M | M | - | M |
| | | T | T | F | T |

4.3.2 *ManagedElement_*

4.3.2.1 Definition

This (and its contained *Function_*(s)) represents telecommunications resources (e.g. equipment) within the telecommunications network. This group performs Managed Element (ME) functions, e.g., provides support and/or service to the subscriber.

This can also provide access to a grouping of equipments for management purposes.

An ME communicates with a manager (directly or indirectly) for the purpose of being monitored and/or controlled. MEs may or may not additionally perform element management functionality.

An ME (and its contained *Function_*(s)) may or may not be geographically distributed. An ME (and its contained *Function_*(s)) is often referred to as a "Network Element".

4.3.2.2 Attributes

| Attribute Name | Support Qualifier | isReadable | isWritable | isInvariant | isNotifiable |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| dnPrefix | M | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |
| managedElementTypeList | O | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |
| userLabel | M | M | M | - | M |
| | | T | T | F | T |
| locationName | M | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |
| Attribute related to role | | | | | |
| managedBy | O | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |

4.3.3 *Function_*

4.3.3.1 Definition

This represents a process, task, transformation or a relation between inputs and outputs.

4.3.3.2 Attributes

| Attribute Name | Support Qualifier | isReadable | isWritable | isInvariant | isNotifiable |
|----------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| userLabel | O | M | M | - | M |
| | | T | T | F | T |

4.3.4 *ManagementSystem_*

4.3.4.1 Definition

This represents a telecommunications management system (DM/EM) that contains functionality for managing a number of MEs. The management system communicates with the MEs directly or indirectly over one or more interfaces for the purpose of monitoring and/or controlling these MEs.

This class has similar characteristics as the *ManagedElement_*. The main difference between these two classes is that the *ManagementSystem_* has a special association to the MEs that it is responsible for managing.

4.3.4.2 Attributes

| Attribute Name | Support Qualifier | isReadable | isWritable | isInvariant | isNotifiable |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| userLabel | M | M | M | - | M |
| | | T | T | F | T |
| Attribute related to role | | | | | |
| managedElements | O | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |

4.3.5 *TopologicalLink_*

4.3.5.1 Definition

The *TopologicalLink_* represents a communication relationship between network entities and indicates that information is intended to flow between those network entities. The *TopologicalLink_* always represents a logical relationship.

4.3.5.2 Attributes

| Attribute Name | Support Qualifier | isReadable | isWritable | isInvariant | isNotifiable |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| userLabel | M | M | M | - | M |
| | | T | T | F | T |
| layerProtocolNameList | O | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |
| Attribute related to role | | | | | |
| aEnd | M | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |
| zEnd | M | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |

4.3.6 *TerminationPointEncapsulation_*

4.3.6.1 Definition

The *TerminationPointEncapsulation_* (TPE) represents one or more functions that terminate/originate a signal that adapt a signal for use, and that enable a signal to propagate. Hence a TPE can represent the end point of a signal flow (see Annex C (informative): Rationale and Usage of TPE/LT for information on structure).

The TPE can also represent the intermediate point of a signal flow. See Annex C (informative): Rationale and Usage of TPE/LT for information on TPE structure.

A TPE is capable of encapsulating multiple transport functions (G.805 termination functions, adapters, points etc.) at many different layers where the encapsulated transport functions are all related to the same signal flow. There are specific rules that guide encapsulation (see Annex C (informative): Rationale and Usage of TPE/LT for information on usage). The encapsulated layers may be exposed (of its details of the transport assembly) via usage of instances of *LayerTermination_*(LT).

The TPE deals equivalently with unidirectional and bidirectional flows.

4.3.6.2 Attributes

| Attribute Name | Support Qualifier | isReadable | isWritable | isInvariant | isNotifiable |
|----------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| tpeType | CM | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |

4.3.6.3 Attribute constraints

| Name | Definition |
|---------------------------|---|
| tpeType Support Qualifier | The condition is "The subject class instance name-contains one or more <i>LayerTermination_</i> instances". |

4.3.7 *LayerTermination_*

4.3.7.1 Definition

The *LayerTermination_*(LT) encapsulates the functions and points associated with one instance of a layer [0]. The functions include the adapter functions, the termination functions and the connection points of that layer. In this case the term layer is essentially synonymous with the term protocol as use by other standards. All functions encapsulated have the same signal granularity, closely associated characteristic type and essential rate. A specific *LayerTermination_* may be equipped with a subset of capabilities. Where the TPE is semi-transparent the layers encapsulated by a TPE are exposed by the *LayerTermination_* set that it contains.

The *LayerTermination_* provides the relevant layer parameters for the semi-transparent TPE cases.

The *LayerTermination_* allows for detailed layer description of a TPE (potentially representing a port) and for precise association of the TPE with a *TopologicalLink_* (or other representatives of forwarding relationship).

4.3.7.2 Attributes

| Attribute Name | Support Qualifier | isReadable | isWritable | isInvariant | isNotifiable |
|-----------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| layerProtocolNameList | M | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |
| direction | M | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |
| ltType | M | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |
| index | CM | M | - | - | M |
| | | T | F | F | T |

4.3.7.3 Attribute constraints

| Name | Definition |
|-------------------------|--|
| index Support Qualifier | The condition is "More than one <i>LayerTermination_</i> instances (named-contained by the same <i>TerminationPointEncapsulation_</i> instance) are associated with the same signal flow." |

4.3.8 *Top_*

4.3.8.1 Definition

The *Top_* is a logical construct representing the origin of definitions for all classes defined for the converged network management purposes. All other classes specified in this document and in other FNIM specifications must inherit from *Top_* directly or indirectly.

4.3.8.2 Attributes

| Attribute Name | Support Qualifier | isReadable | isWritable | isInvariant | isNotifiable |
|----------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| id | M | M | - | M | - |
| | | T | F | T | F |

5 UIM – Partition inventory

Editors Note: This section is intended to contain inventory related definitions of the UIM (based on agreements as documented in the respective work item descriptions). Due to differences in interpretations between 3GPP and TM Forum on inventory terminology as well as on how to integrate inventory information within the UIM, this topic has been postponed and will be addressed during Multi-SDO Project on Model Alignment Phase 2.

6 UIM – Class attribute definitions

6.1 Attribute properties

| Attribute Name | Documentation and Allowed Values | Properties |
|------------------------|---|---|
| direction | Represents the flow of traffic within the LT. allowedValues: The allowed values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Client-Server: Signal flows down the LT, e.g. traffic is taken from a number of low rate clients and multiplexed into a higher rate server. ➤ Server-Client: Signal flows up the LT. ➤ Bidirectional; Signal flow is both Client-Server and Server-Client. | type: String multiplicity: 1 isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False |
| dnPrefix | It carries the DN Prefix information or no information. See Annex C of 32.300 [0] for one usage of this attribute. allowedValues: N/A | type: String multiplicity: 1 isOrdered: F isUnique: T defaultValue: None isNullable: False |
| id | An attribute whose class name and value can be used as an RDN when naming an instance of the object class. This RDN uniquely identifies the object instance within the scope of its containing (parent) object instance. allowedValues: format of allowed values to be conformant with TS 32.300 [0]. | type: String multiplicity: 1 isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False |
| index | Provides any relevant indexing of the LT (channel number, e.g. '3') allowedValues: N/A | type: Integer multiplicity: 1 isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False |
| layerProtocolNameList | Name(s) and additional descriptive information such as version number for the protocol(s)/layer(s) used for the associated communication link. Syntax and semantic is not specified. allowedValues: allowed value examples: "X2AP", "LR Optical Channel" | type: String multiplicity: 1..* isOrdered: F isUnique: T defaultValue: None isNullable: True |
| locationName | The physical location (e.g. an address) of an entity represented by a (derivative of) <i>ManagedElement_</i> . It may contain no information to support the case where the derivative of <i>ManagedElement_</i> needs to represent a distributed multi-location NE. allowedValues: N/A | type: String multiplicity: 1 isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False |
| ltType | The name of the specification that describes the internal construction of the LT, indicating for example that it possesses a G.805 CP but no G.805 TCP (see [0]). allowedValues: N/A | type: String multiplicity: 1 isOrdered: F isUnique: T defaultValue: None isNullable: False |
| managedElementTypeList | It is a multi-valued attribute with one or more unique elements. Thus, it may represent one ME functionality or a combination of more than one functionality. The actual syntax and encoding of this attribute is Solution Set specific. | type: String multiplicity: 1..* isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False |

| Attribute Name | Documentation and Allowed Values | Properties |
|----------------------------------|---|---|
| | <p>allowedValues:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The allowed values of this attribute are the names of the IOC(s) that are (a) derived/subclassed from <code>ManagedFunction</code> and (b) directly name-contained by <code>ManagedElement</code> IOC (on the first level below <code>ManagedElement</code>), but with the string "Function" excluded. 2) If a <code>ManagedElement</code> contains multiple instances of a <code>ManagedFunction</code> this attribute will not contain repeated values. 3) The capitalisation (usage of upper/lower case) of characters in this attribute is insignificant. Thus, the <code>NodeB</code> should be case insensitive when reading these values. 4) Two examples of allowed values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>NodeB</code>; • <code>HLR, VLR</code>. | |
| tpeType | <p>The name of the specification that describes the construction of the TPE emphasising for example the access to the TPE and whether it is associated with a physical port directly or not (see [0]).</p> <p>allowedValues: N/A</p> | <p>type: String multiplicity: 1 isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False</p> |
| userDefinedNetworkType | <p>Textual information indicating network type, e.g. "UTRAN". It may contain no information if there is no appropriate network type can be used.</p> <p>allowedValues: N/A</p> | <p>type: String multiplicity: 1 isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False</p> |
| userLabel | <p>A user-friendly (and user assignable) name of this object.</p> <p>allowedValues: N/A</p> | <p>type: String multiplicity: 1 isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False</p> |
| Attribute related to role | | |
| aEnd | <p>The value of this attribute shall be a list of Distinguished Name of the alphabetically first instance in the <code>Link</code> subclass name to which this link/relation is associated (i.e., pointing to the instance of <X> as described in the definition of <code>Link</code> IOC in the present document).</p> <p>As an example, with <code>Link_As_Slf</code>, <code>aEnd</code> would contain the Distinguished Name of the <code>AsFunction</code> instance, and the <code>zEnd</code> would contain the Distinguished Name of <code>SlfFunction</code> instance.</p> <p>allowedValues:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) For the instance whose class is defined by 3GPP, the format of the allowed values would be in conformant with TS 32.300 [0]. 2) For the instance whose class is defined by TM Forum, the format of the allowed values would be in conformant with [16]TM Forum MTOSI "SD1-25_objectNaming.pdf" (part of [0] [0]). | <p>type: DN multiplicity: * isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False passedById: True</p> |

| Attribute Name | Documentation and Allowed Values | Properties |
|-----------------|---|--|
| managedBy | This relates to the role played by <i>ManagementSystem_</i> in the relation between <i>ManagedSystem_</i> and <i>ManagedElement_</i> . This attribute contains a list of the DN(s) of the related subclasses of <i>ManagementSystem_</i> instance(s). allowedValues: N/A | type: DN multiplicity: * isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False passedById: True |
| managedElements | This relates to the role played by <i>ManagedElement_</i> in the relation between <i>ManagedSystem_</i> and <i>ManagedElement_</i> . This attribute contains a list of the DN(s) of the related subclasses of <i>ManagedElement_</i> instance(s). allowedValues: N/A | type: DN multiplicity: * isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False passedById: True |
| zEnd | The value of this attribute shall be a list of Distinguished Name of the alphabetically second instance in the <i>Link</i> subclass name to which this link/relation is associated (i.e., pointing to the instance of <Y> as described in the definition of Link IOC in the present document). As an example, with <i>Link_As_Slf</i> , <i>aEnd</i> would contain the Distinguished Name of the <i>AsFunction</i> instance, and the <i>zEnd</i> would contain the Distinguished Name of <i>SlfFunction</i> instance. allowedValues: 1) For the instance whose class is defined by 3GPP, the format of the allowed values would be in conformant with TS 32.300 [0]. 2) For the instance whose class is defined by TM Forum, the format of the allowed values would be in conformant with [16] TM Forum MTOSI "SD1-25_objectNaming.pdf" (part of [0] [0]). | type: DN multiplicity: * isOrdered: False isUnique: True defaultValue: None isNullable: False passedById: True |

Annex A (informative): Extract from 3GPP TS 32.622 Generic network resources IRP: NRM

This appendix is an extract from [5]. One can note the similarities between the UIM class name-containment tree (see 4.2) and that defined in [5].

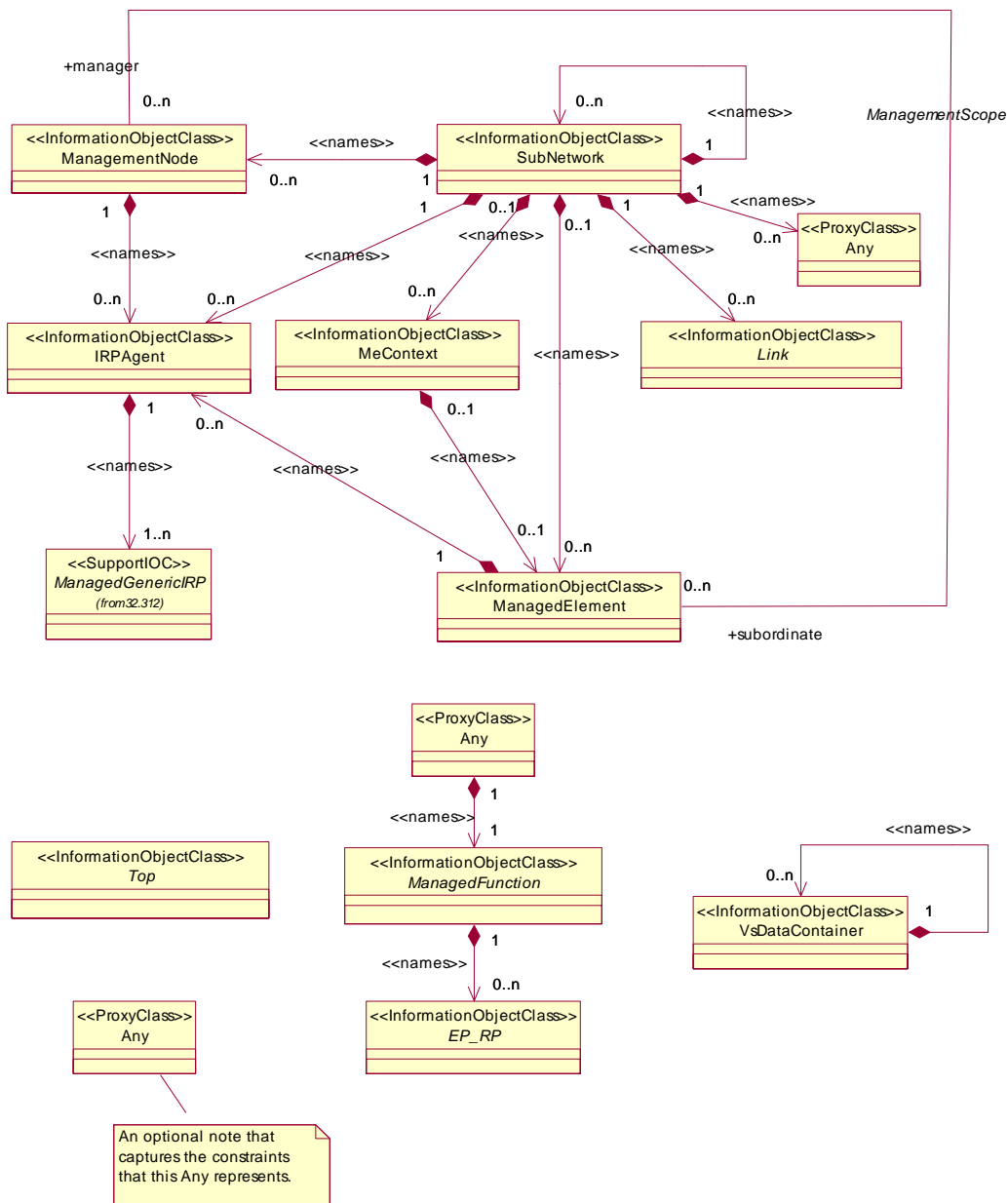


Figure 3: Containment tree of 3GPP TS 32.622 Generic network resources IRP: NRM [5]

Annex B (informative): Extract from MTOSI documents

This appendix provides the collection of SID/MTOSI currently defined classes as candidates for inclusion in UIM.

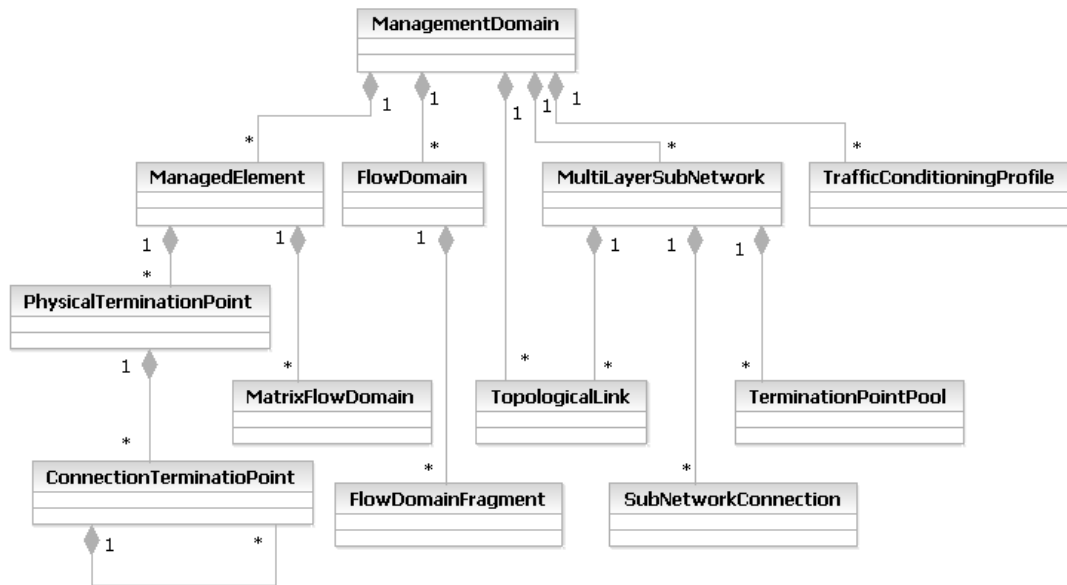


Figure 4: MTOSI/MTNM Containment

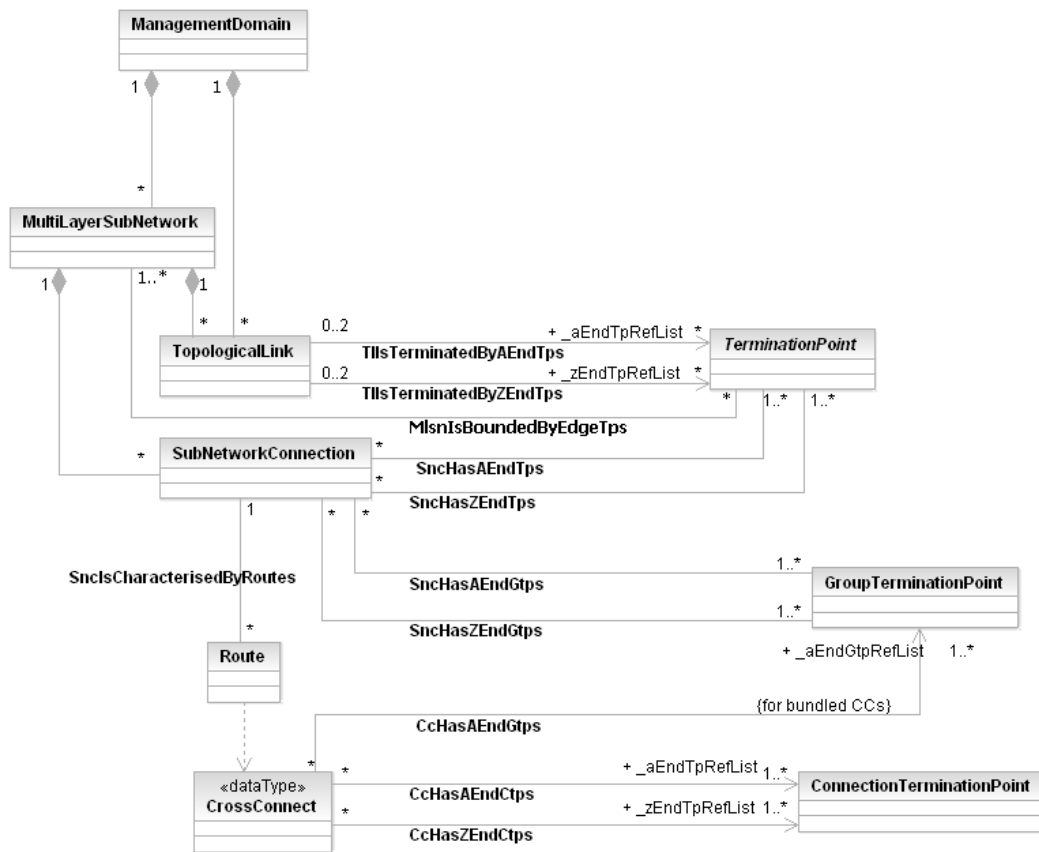


Figure 5: MTOSI/MTNM Connection-oriented Class Diagram

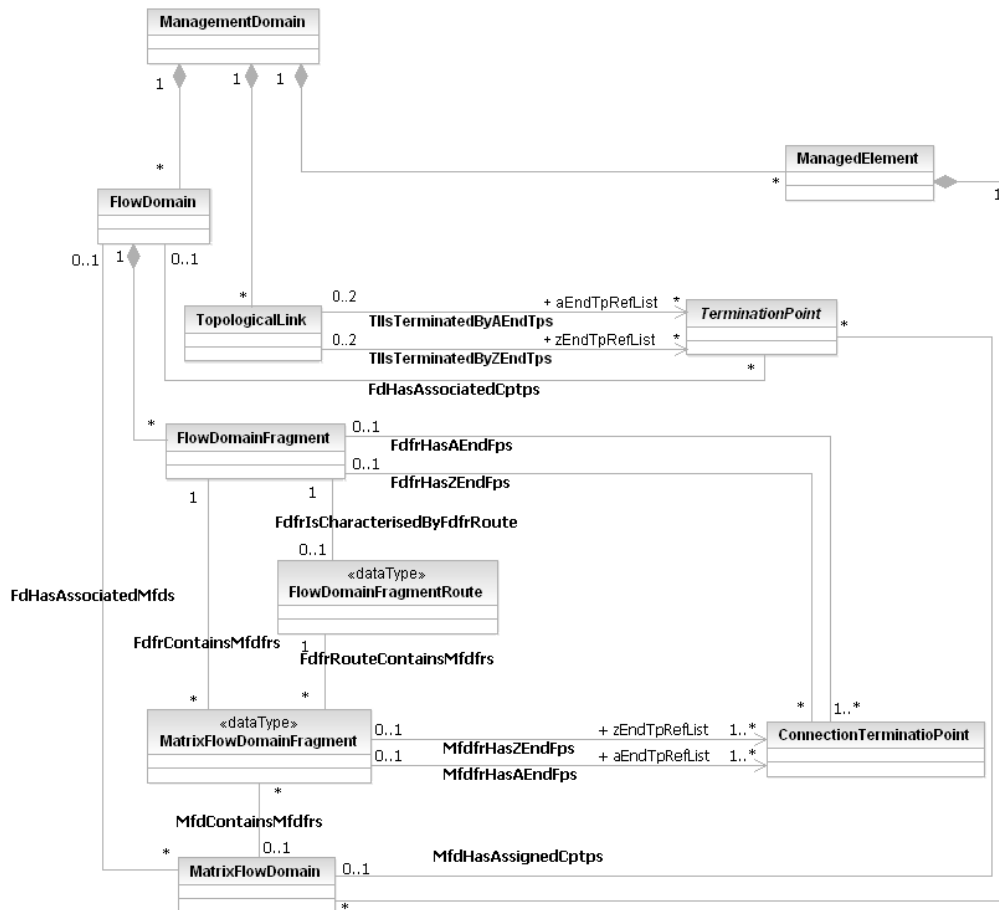


Figure 6: MTOSI/MTNM Connectionless Class Diagram

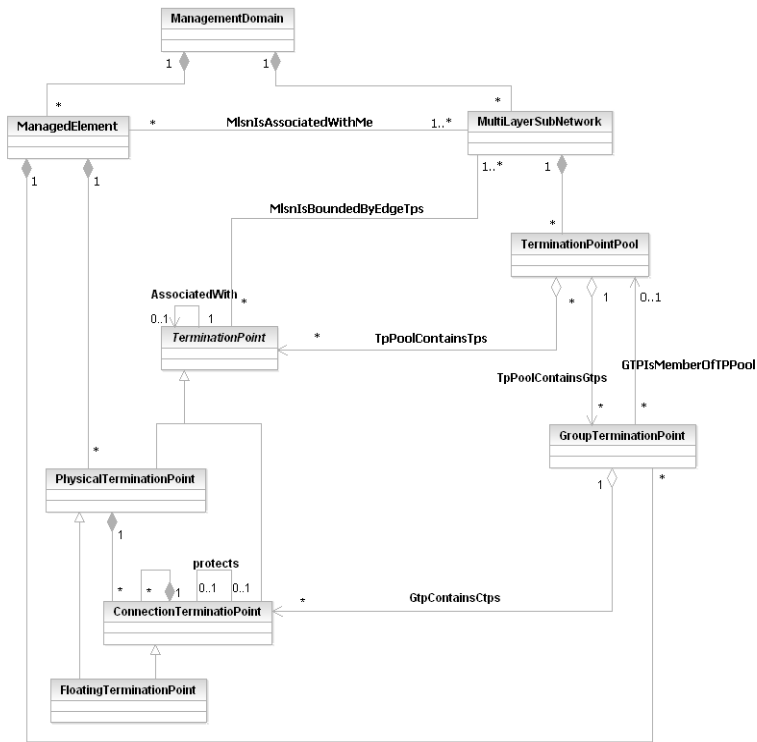


Figure 7: MTOSI/MTNM Termination Point Model

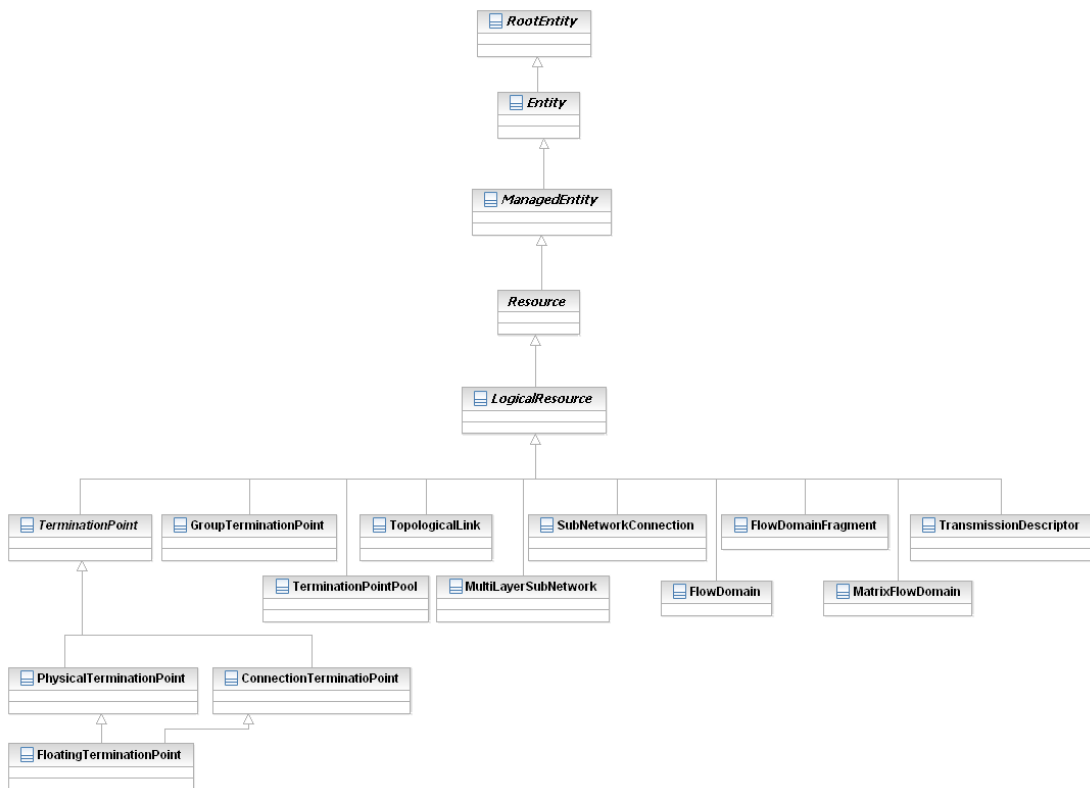


Figure 8: MTOSI/MTNM Inheritance Class Diagram

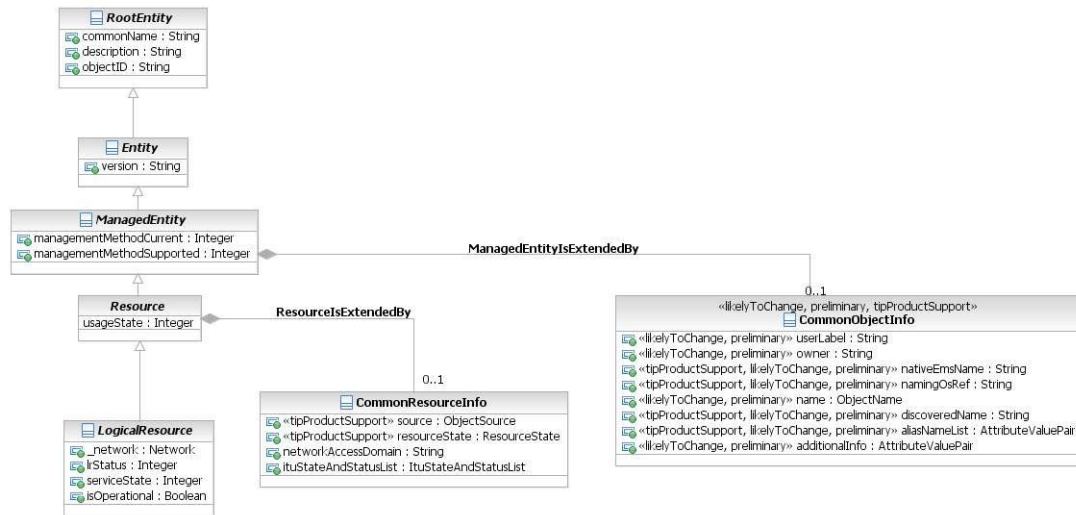


Figure 9: MTOSI/MTNM Inheritance Class Diagram with Attributes

Annex C (informative): Rationale and Usage of TPE/LT

This Annex provides the rationale and the usage of LT in conjunction with TPE.

Rational

A TPE is capable of encapsulating multiple transport functions (G.805 termination functions, adapters, points etc.) at many different layers where the encapsulated transport functions are all related to the same signal flow. See Figure 10: UIM related to TM Forum model and ITU-T concepts.

The TPE is used to both reduce the instances of objects required to represent a given transport assembly and to also simplify the translation from traditional environments where layering is not fully represented.

The encapsulation may be opaque, i.e. not exposing the layering, or semi-transparent, exposing the explicit layering but compacted into a single TPE instance. In the former case, TPE instance does not need to name-contain any LT. In the latter case, TPE instance needs to name-contain instances of LT.

The TPE deals equivalently with unidirectional and bidirectional flows. A bidirectional flow is where pairings of unidirectional flows have some shared fate or are considered as related in some way such that all entities associated with the whole bidirectional flow will be encapsulated in one TPE. Where a bidirectional flow is encapsulated it is possible to connect to only one of the two directions of flow and this can be represented through parameters of the TPE.

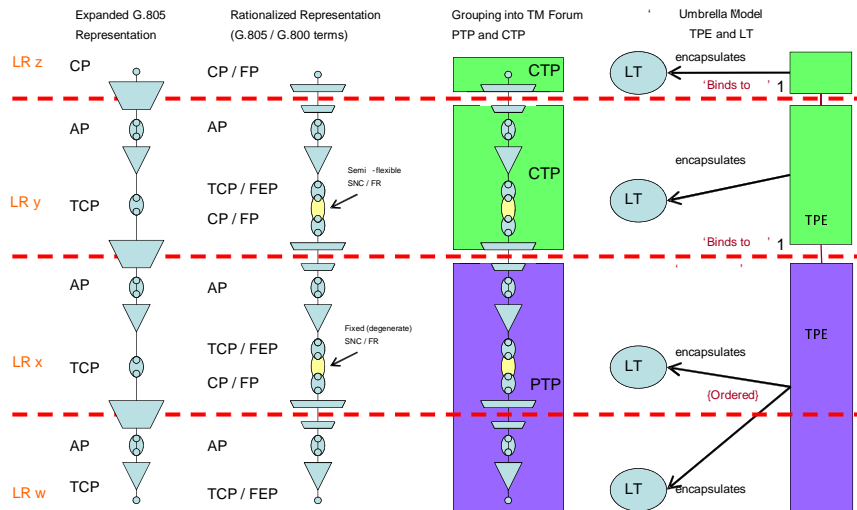
Usage

The TPE provides a place against which to raise alarms, display parameters and set attributes associated with the signal flow.

The TPE can be related:

- Directly to one or more physical ports (i.e. that the signal is associated directly with an externally visible connector)
 - Note that a physical port could also be related to more than one TPE;
- To logical functions that anchor the signal flow (i.e. it is floating between flexible functions in the equipment with no externally visible connector);
- To another supporting TPE to represent a client signal of the supporting TPE where there may be many instances of client;
 - Note that there may be many instances of server TPE that feed a single client (e.g., in the case of VCAT)

For background see SD1-18 Functional Modelling Concepts [11] and naming refer to SD1-25 Object Naming [16].



Key

- AP = Access Point
- CP = Connection Point
- CTP = Connection Termination Point ((several different usages)
- FEP = Forwarding End Point
- FIP = Forwarding Intermediate Point
- FR = Forwarding Relationship
- LR = Layer Rate (approximately equivalent to protocol)
- LT = Layer Termination
- PTP = Physical Termination Point
- SNC = SubNetwork Connection
- TCP = Termination Connection Point
- TPE = Termination Point Encapsulation

Flexibility at LRY and LRz Layers for example:

- LRx = MS
- LRY = VC4
- LRz = 140M

Figure 11: UIM related to TM Forum model and ITU-T concepts

Annex D (informative): Change history

| Change history | | | | | | | |
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| 2012-12 | SA#58 | | | | 1.0.0 sent for SA#58 for information | 0.1.0 | 1.0.0 |
| 2013-01 | | | | | Version for approval | 1.0.0 | 1.1.0 |
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