

PMD, rationalisation and interface standardisation

Agenda

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Workshop at ESTEC, 3 and 4 October 2012, Escape Tennis Hall

Workshop objectives

- a. Identification of “items” of rationalisation within PMD domain, fulfilling a minimum set of qualifying features*
- b. Agreement on a logical path towards standardisation, where possible and convenient, of (power) electrical interfaces, functions and units for space applications in Europe, to be achieved with the cooperation of all main actors**

* wide use, flexibility, recurrent utilisation, non-exclusive exploitation

** unit/equipment manufacturers, Primes, ESA and possibly other European Agencies

Applicability: institutional markets, but could be used for commercial space market too.

Agenda, day 1, Oct 3rd 2012, PMD rationalisation opportunities



1. 13:30-13:40 **Welcome** – H. Barde
2. 13:40-14:00 **Introduction** - F. Tonicello
3. 14:00-16:45 **Presentations & discussion (20'+10')** – moderators: M.M. Alfonso / F. Tonicello
 - a. 14:00-14:30 Thales Alenia Space & CNES – *Modular PCDU*
 - b. 14:30-15:00 STM – *Integrated Current Limiter as a key example of rationalisation*
 - c. 15:00-15:30 Thales Alenia Space ETCA – *Digital Power Control as a potential aid to achieve better rationalisation of interfaces?*
 - d. 15:30-15:45 Coffee break
 - e. 15:45-16:15 3D-Plus - *Building blocks for secondary power distribution and conversion units*
 - f. 16:15-16:45 ESA on Eads Astrium and other inputs – *Key areas and opportunities for PMD rationalisation*
4. 16:45-17:45 **Roundtable on rationalisation opportunities** – moderator: H. Barde; presenter: F. Tonicello
 - a. Key factors
 - b. Opportunities
 - c. Challenges
 - d. Mapping on landscape architectures
5. 17:45-18:00 **Wrap-up** – F. Tonicello

Agenda, day 2, Oct 4th 2012, PMD interface standardisation opportunities



1. 9:00-9:15 **Introduction** - F. Tonicello

2. 9:15-12:00 **Presentations and discussions (20' + 10')** – moderator: F. Tonicello
 - a. 9:15- 9:45 CNES – *ISIS initiative*
 - b. 9:45-10:15 TERMA – *Key areas of LCL interface standardisation*
 - c. 10:15-10:45 ASP – *Proposed standardisation of Solar Array Regulator interfaces*

 - d. 10:45-11:00 Coffee break

 - e. 11:00-11:30 OHB - *Opportunities on standardisation from system level perspective*
 - f. 11:30-12:00 SG - *SELEX Galileo approach for (power) electrical interfaces standardisation*

3. 12:00-13:00 **Roundtable on interface standardisation opportunities** (part 1) – see next chart

4. 13:00-13:45 Lunch

5. 13:45-15:30 **Roundtable on interface standardisation opportunities** (part 2) – see next chart

6. 15:30-15:40 **Wrap-up** - F. Tonicello

7. 15:40-16:00 **Summary of workshop and way forward** – H. Barde

Agenda, day 2, roundtable on PMD interface standardisation opportunities



1. 12:00-13:00 **Roundtable on interface standardisation opportunities** (part 1) – details
– moderator: H. Barde; presenters: various
 - a. Objectives
 - b. Constraints
 - c. Specific issues & examples
 - Power system distribution, we are almost ready for I/F standardisation
 - S/C with unregulated bus, is an additional regulated bus interface convenient for platform items?

2. 13:45-15:30 **Roundtable on interface standardisation opportunities** (part 2) – details
– moderator: H. Barde; presenters: various
 - a. Specific issues & examples (continued)
 - Battery switch: single or double barrier? Relay, arm plug or other?
 - Contingency cases: standardisation of DNEL interface?
 - Diodes in series to all SA sections for centralised Solar Array Regulators with MPPT , or reliable S3R Shunt Stage
 - Umbilical battery conditioning & power bus supply series diodes
 - Interfaces between Battery and PCDU Battery Management (Power & Sensing)
 - b. What standardisation of (power) interfaces could bring
 - Specific example: CII interface
 - c. Which are the possible impacts and the risks involved
 - d. Possible workplan and frame
 - e. Is there consensus to start working on interface standardisation?

PMD I/F standardisation – Possible workplan and frame

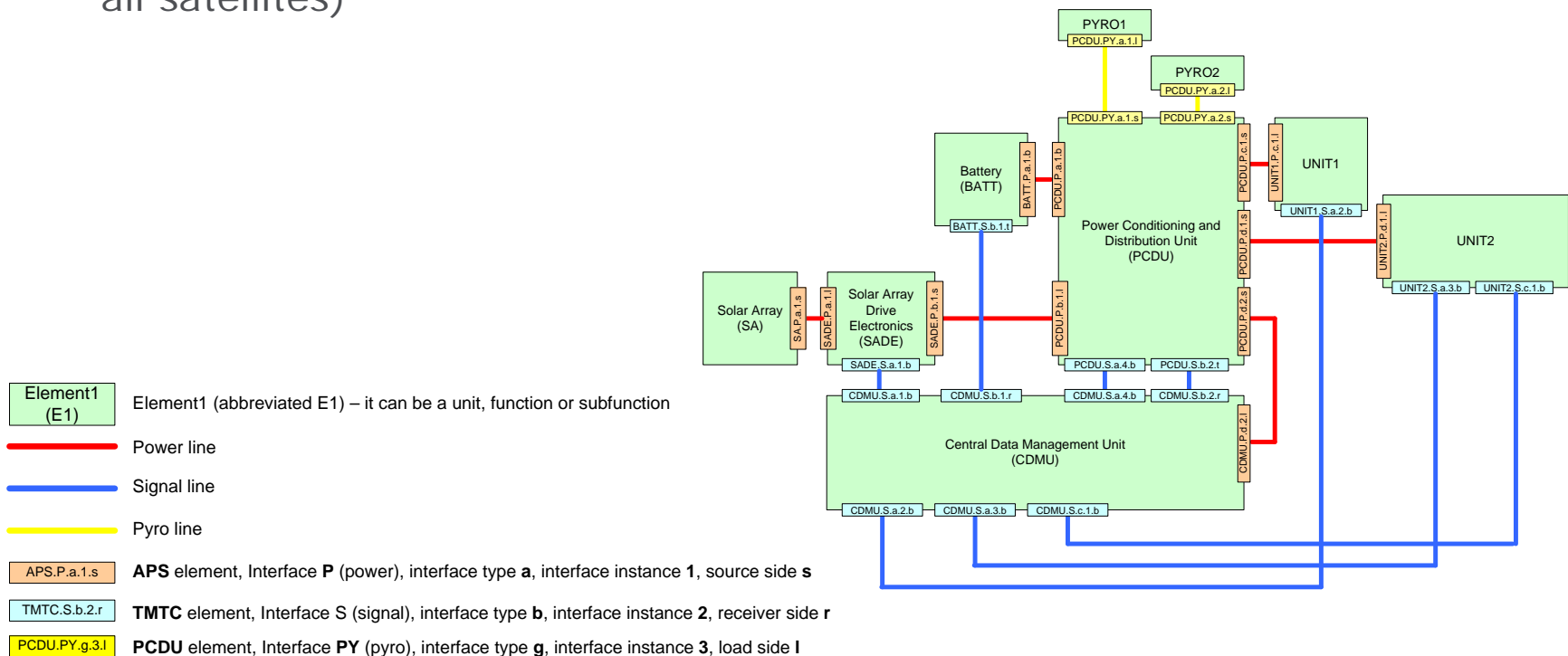


1. Proposed work plan: small steps, incremental approach as described in the TN you received in the invitation to this workshop
 - a. **Define** reference architecture
 - b. **Collect...**
 - c. **Compare...**
 - d. **Assess...**
 - e. **Minimise...** I/F datasheets

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a. Define reference architecture:

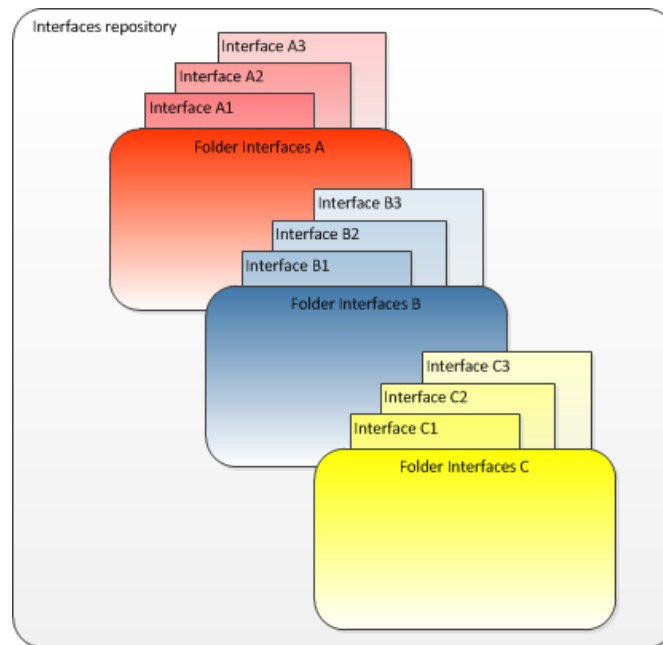
establish the “borderlines” of the interfaces to be evaluated (it is sensible to take the most generic cases, widely applicable to all satellites)



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b. Collect:

after defining a common datasheet format, collect the most updated and complete interfaces datasheets available in your company (mostly a work to be done by procurement agents – Primes, Platform or Payload responsible).

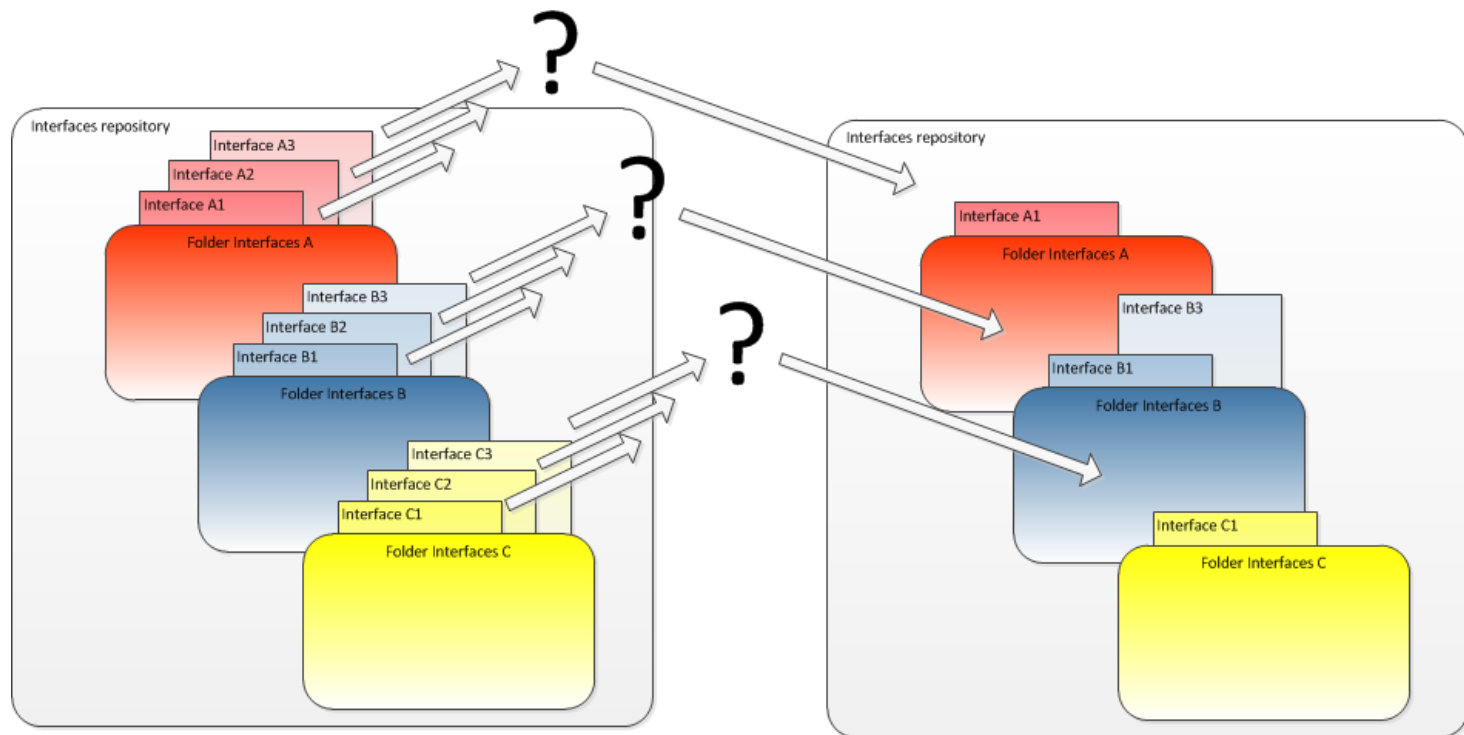


The vehicle might be a common repository that can *immediately* be used as a reference document for new projects

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c. Assess differences

d. Minimise as far as practical and possible interfaces of the same type



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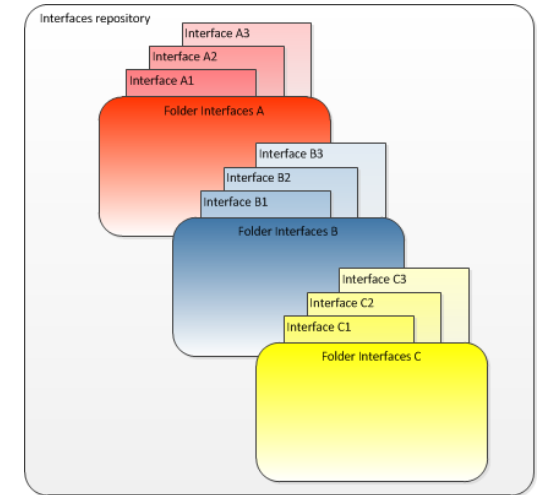
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Process to be elaborated and proposed as a new ECSS work item

PMD I/F standardisation – Workshop statistics



Participants **61**
 External 36
 Internal 25

Questionnaire response (external participants only)

	Yes...	Partially...	Not...	... in line with my expectations	
Did the workshop meet your expectations?	78%	22%	0%		
Are you satisfied with the workshop?	Very satisfied 7.4%	Satisfied 85.2%	Neutral 7.4%	Not satisfied 0%	Completely dissatisfied 0%
Would you take part to European Work Group for (power) interfaces standardisation?	Yes 93%	No 7%			

Especially if the answer is negative, which are the relevant reasons?

The negative answers (two) come respectively from a university representative and from a Si foundry representative.
 It is clear that those two entities are not interested in the standardisation of (power) interfaces.

Do you think that your company would adhere to a European Initiative for (power) interfaces standardisation?

Yes	No
89%	7%

There is one missing reply, neither option was selected.