
Maintaining Emergence in Systems of Systems Integration: a Contractual Approach using SysML

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- Case study
- Modelling
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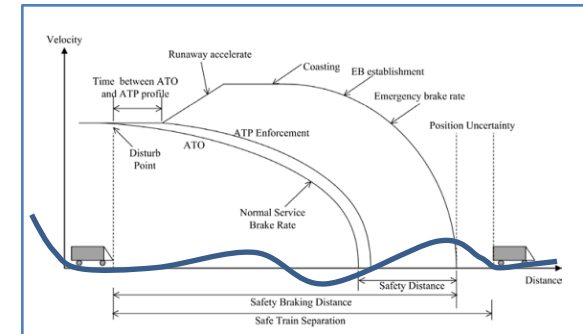
Our Research ...

Design technology (foundations, methods, tools) for:

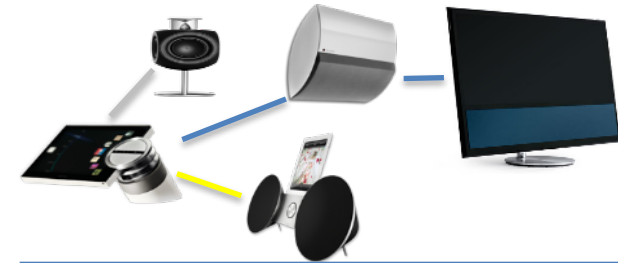
- Systems of Systems (SoS)
- Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS)

We focus on model-based design:

- Models as a basis for collaborative development
- Machine-assisted analysis of models as a means of managing development risk



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 - Constituent systems evolve independently
- **Complexity of confirming/refuting SoS-level properties**
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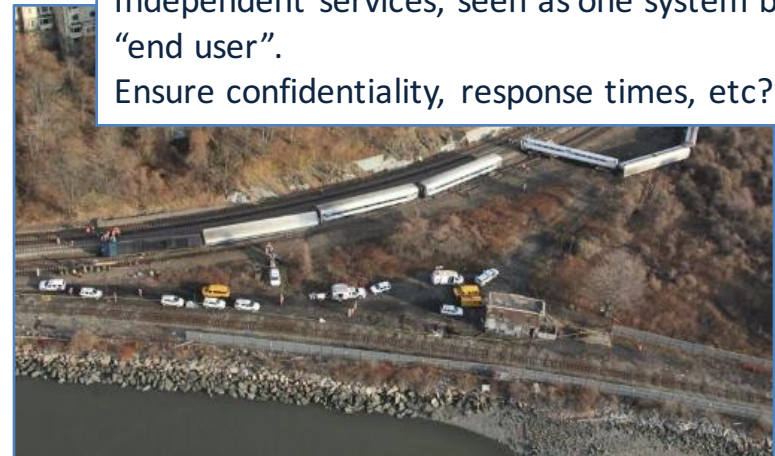
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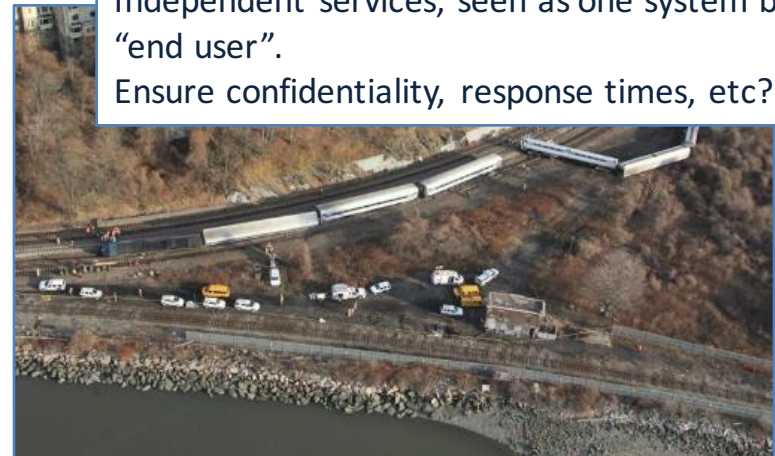
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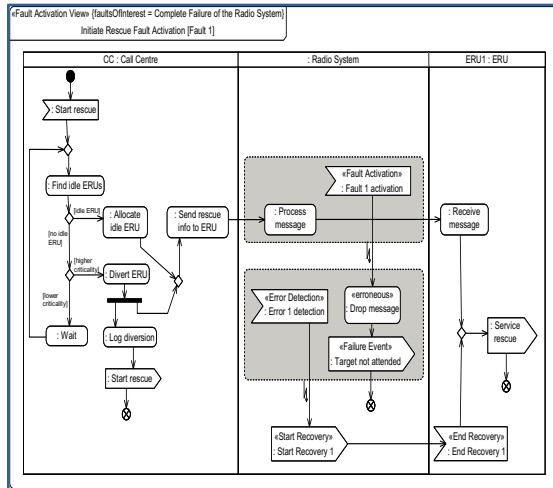
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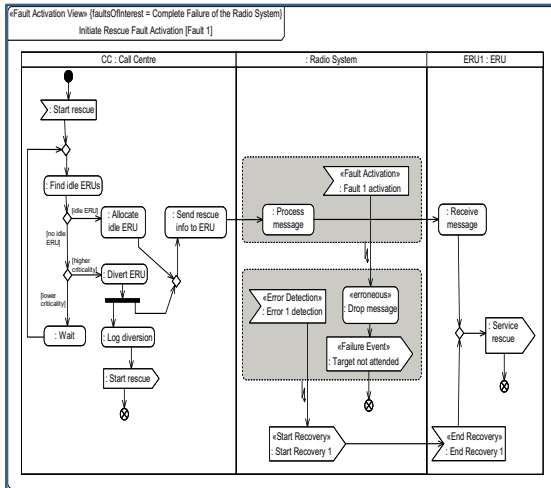


COMPASS Technology



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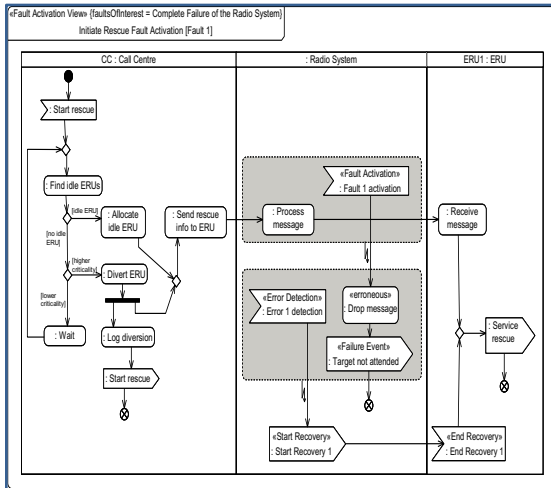
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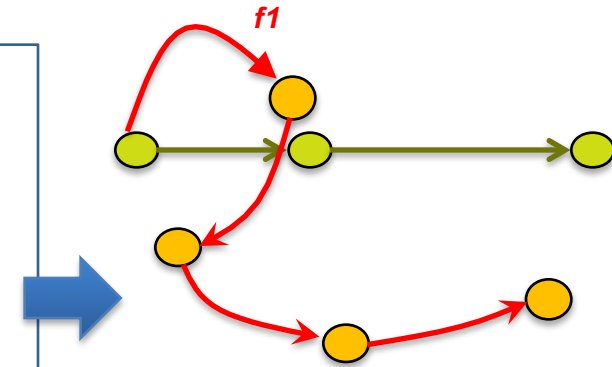
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(SoS || STOP) [=] $\mathcal{L}_E(\text{SoS})$

Symphony 

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Tool-supported Analysis

- Model-checker
- Automated proof
- Test generation
- Simulation
- Model-in-Loop Test
- Exploration of design space

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AV SoS Case Study



- CSs are *heterogeneous* and may *evolve* (through software or firmware upgrades)
- New CSs may be *integrated* into SoS at any time
- CSs may be *legacy* or *non-B&O systems*

AV SoS Case Study



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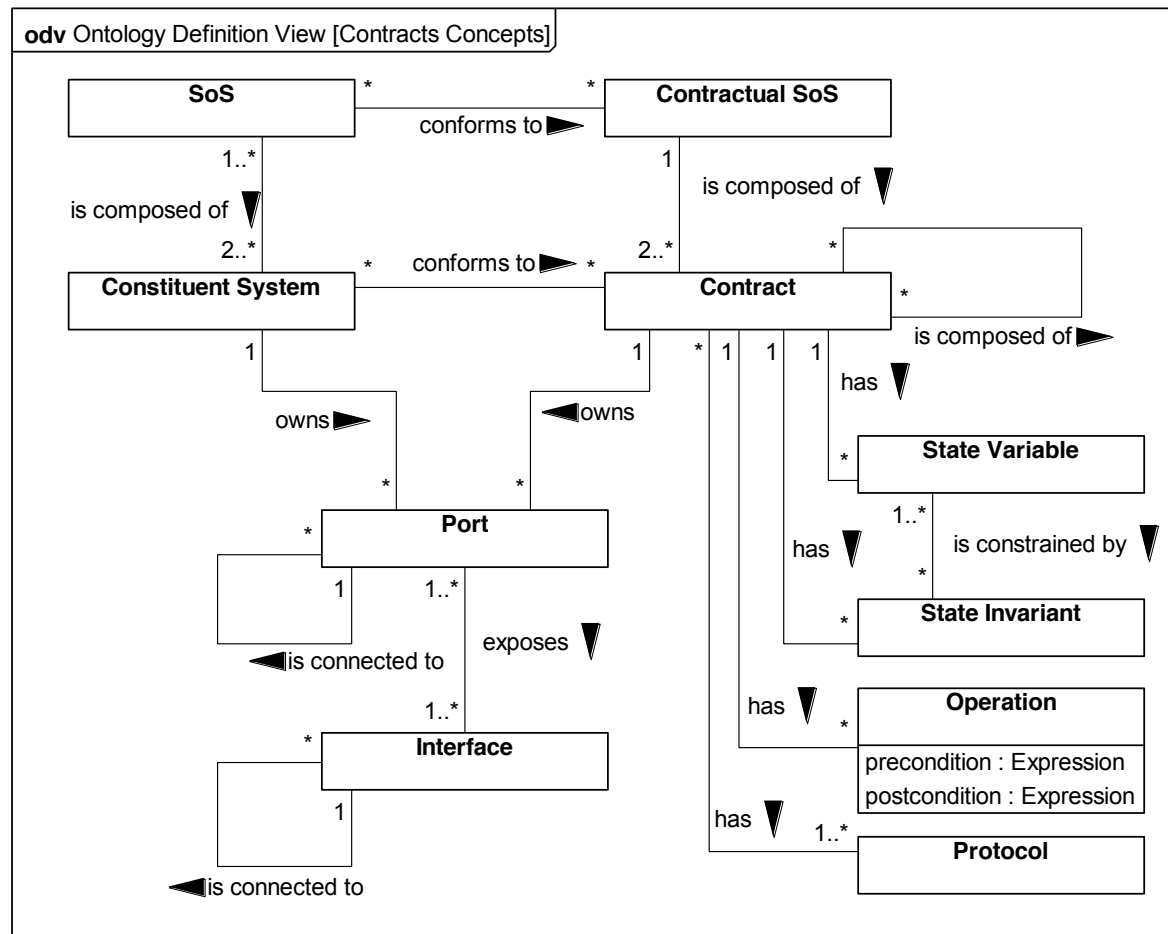
Why Contracts May Help

- SoSs present significant challenges
 - Bound behaviours that can be relied upon *without over-constraining them*
 - *Promote desirable and limit undesirable* emergent behaviours
- *Contractual description of CSs*
 - Contract is a description of the “**minimum**” **behaviour** that a CS must exhibit in order to be part of an SoS
 - CSs free to choose the way in which they meet these contracts
 - Free to adhere to other contracts
- We present a definition of a contract as a SysML pattern

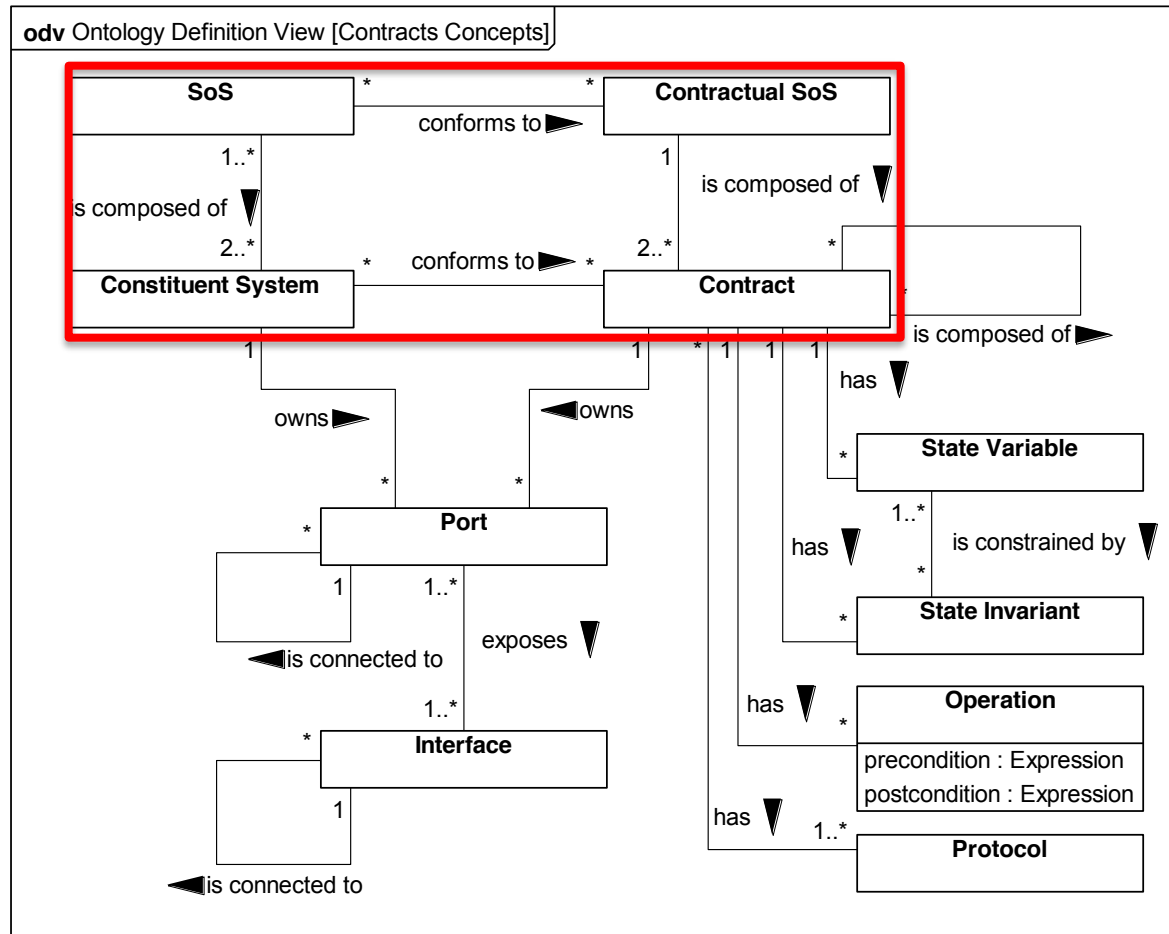
The Contract Pattern

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- Collection of viewpoints for modelling and defining the contracts of a SoS
 - Defined using SysML and implemented as a SysML profile
 - Use a modelling framework for defining patterns:
 - Pattern is a set of related *viewpoints*; each with an identified *context*, *syntax* (permitted modelling elements), and constraining *rules*.
 - Notation agnostic
 - Views defined in any notation

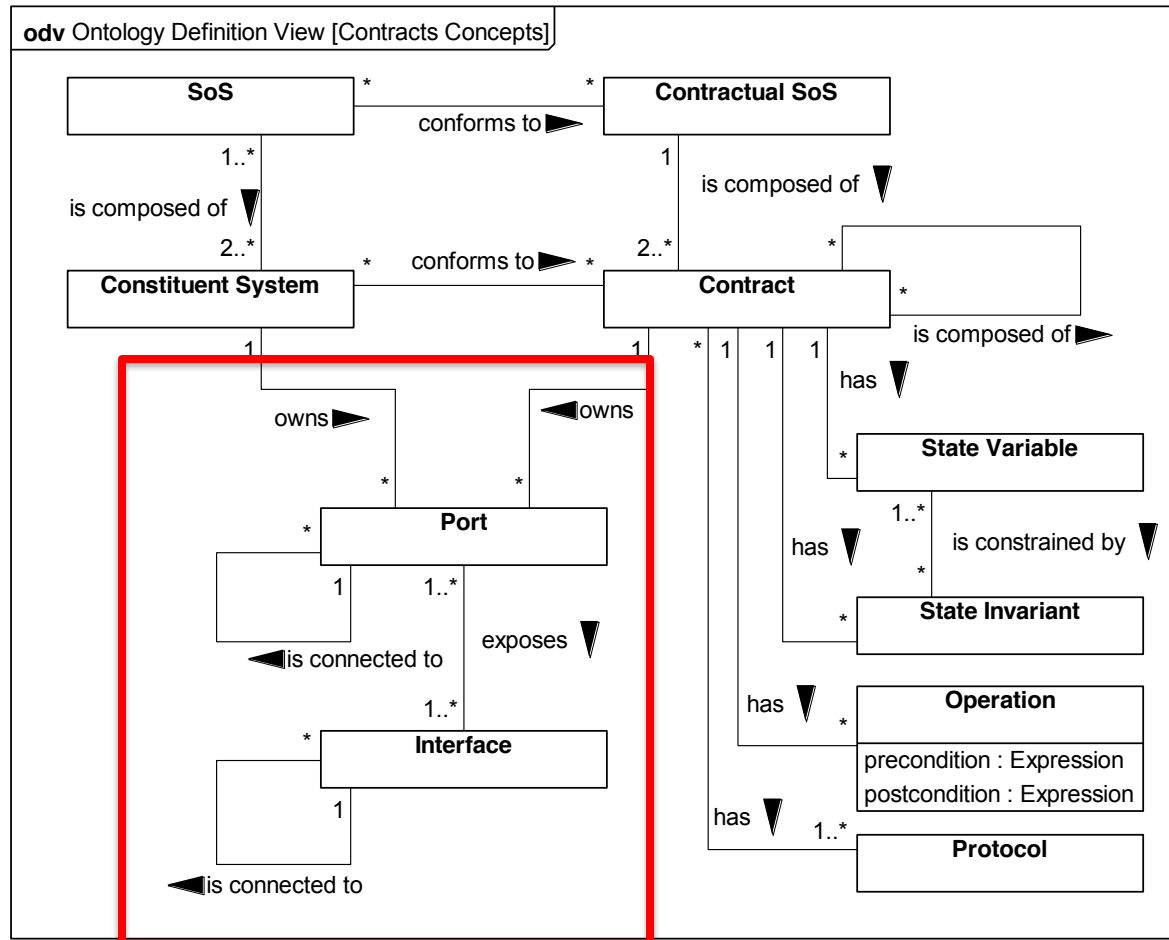
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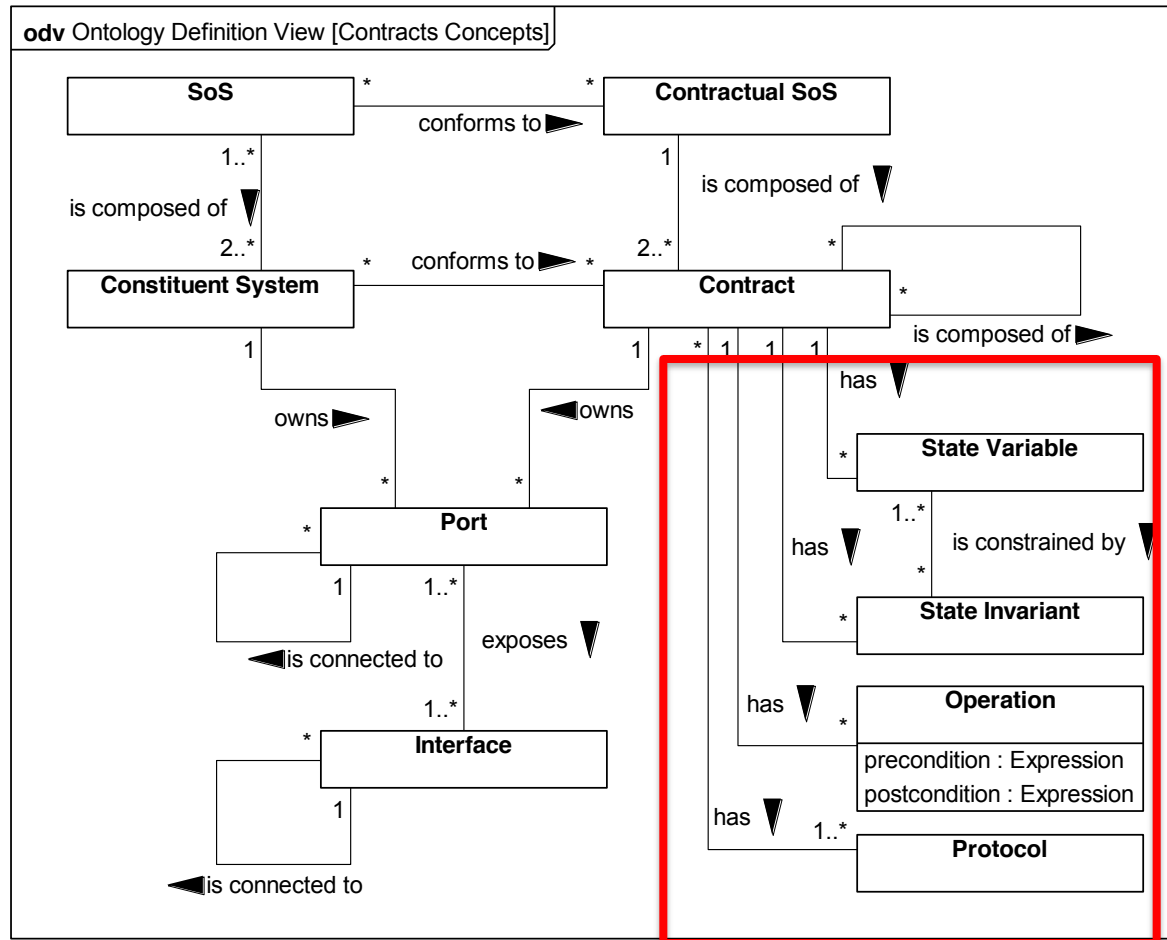
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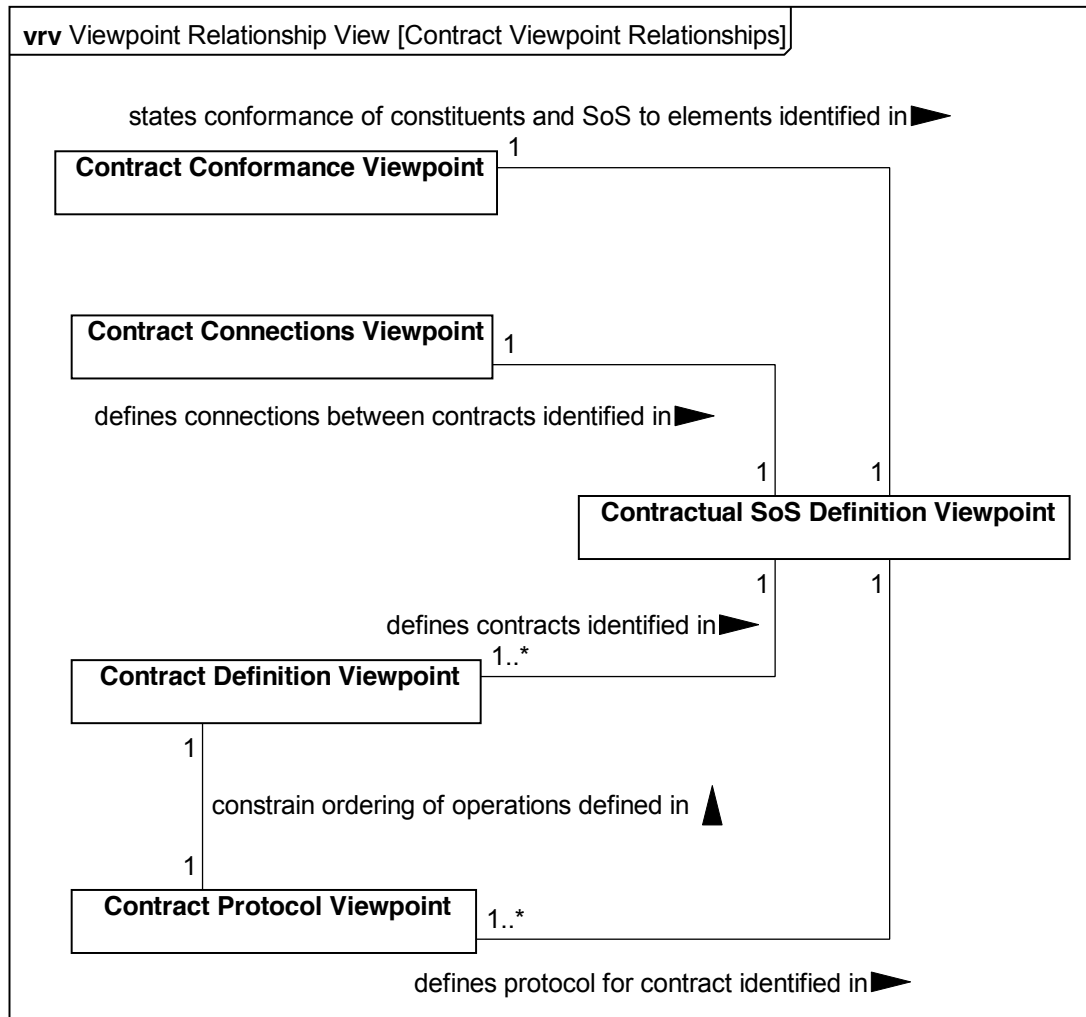


Contract Pattern - Views

Contract Pattern Viewpoints

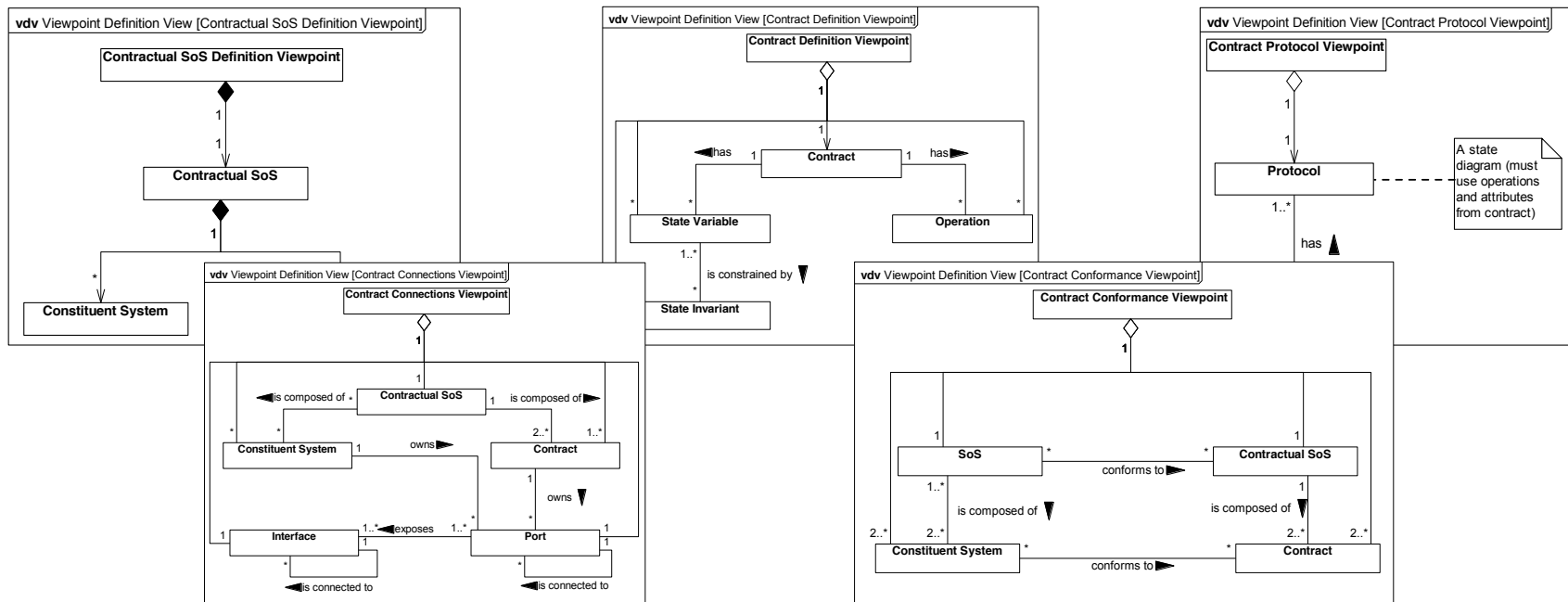
<i>Name</i>	<i>Overview</i>
Contractual SoS Definition	Identifies the contracts which comprise the Contractual SoS
Contract Conformance	Denotes the contracts each CS conforms to
Contract Connections	Shows connections and interfaces between contracts
Contract Definition	Defines operations, state variables and state invariants of a contract
Contract Protocol	Protocol specification of a contract

Contract Pattern – Viewpoint Relationships



Contract Pattern – Viewpoint Definition

- Define the model elements on a view and their relationships
- Consistent with ontology



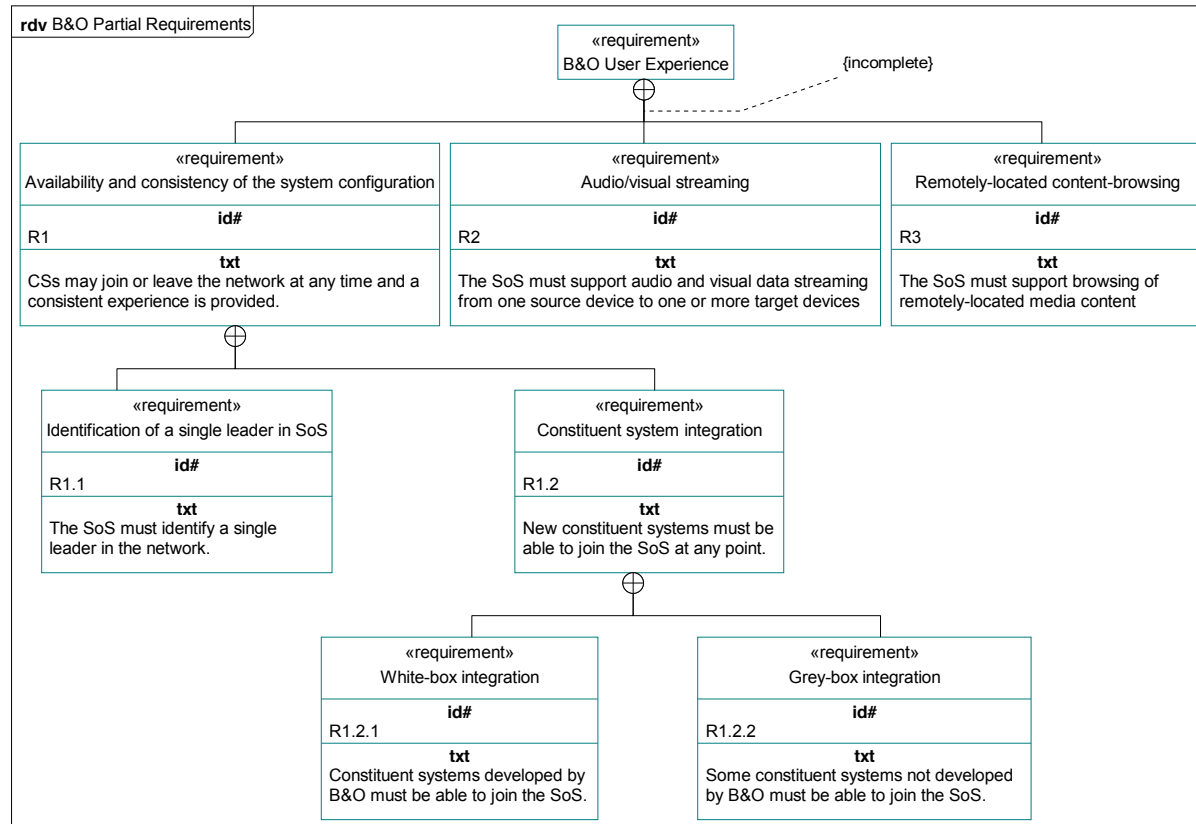
Case Study Revisited

- Based on a Bang & Olufsen (B&O) home Audio Visual (AV) network linking multiple AV devices.

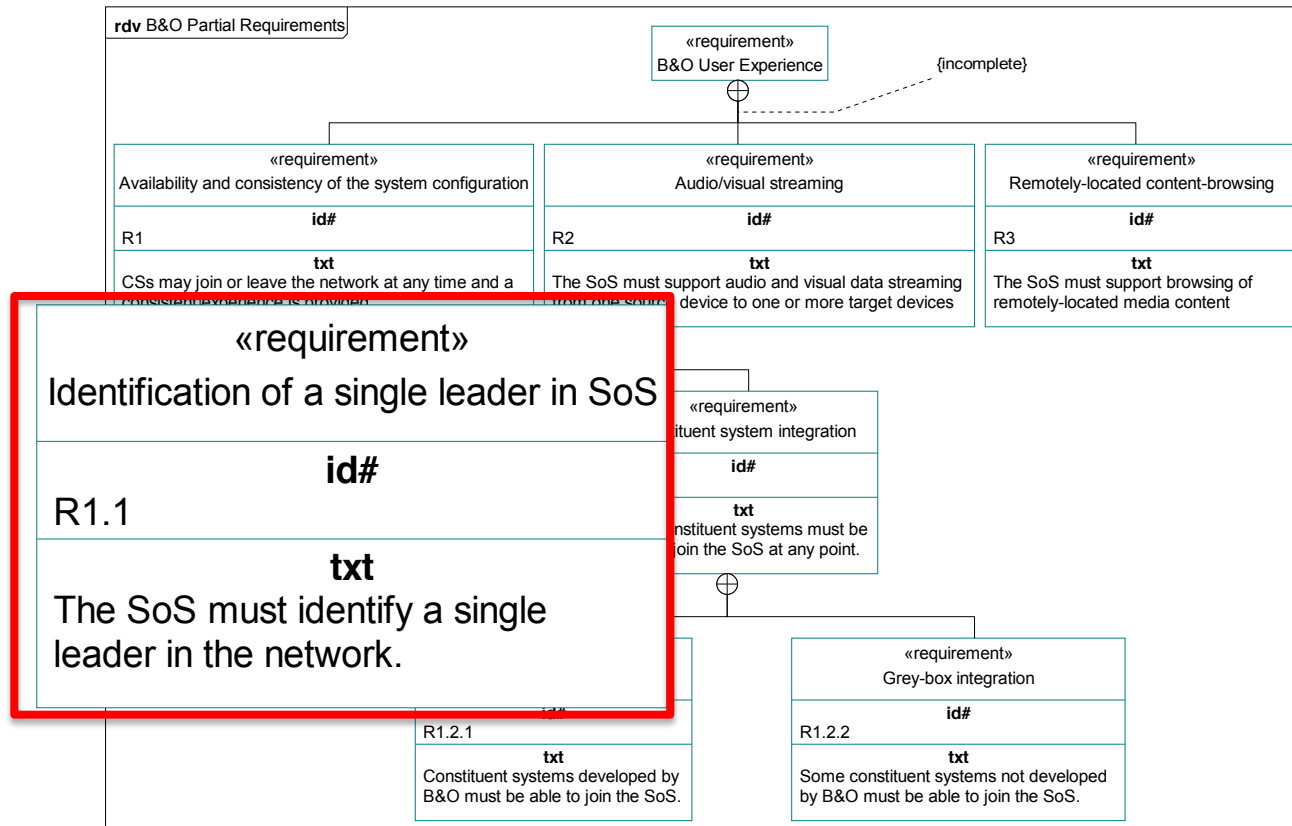


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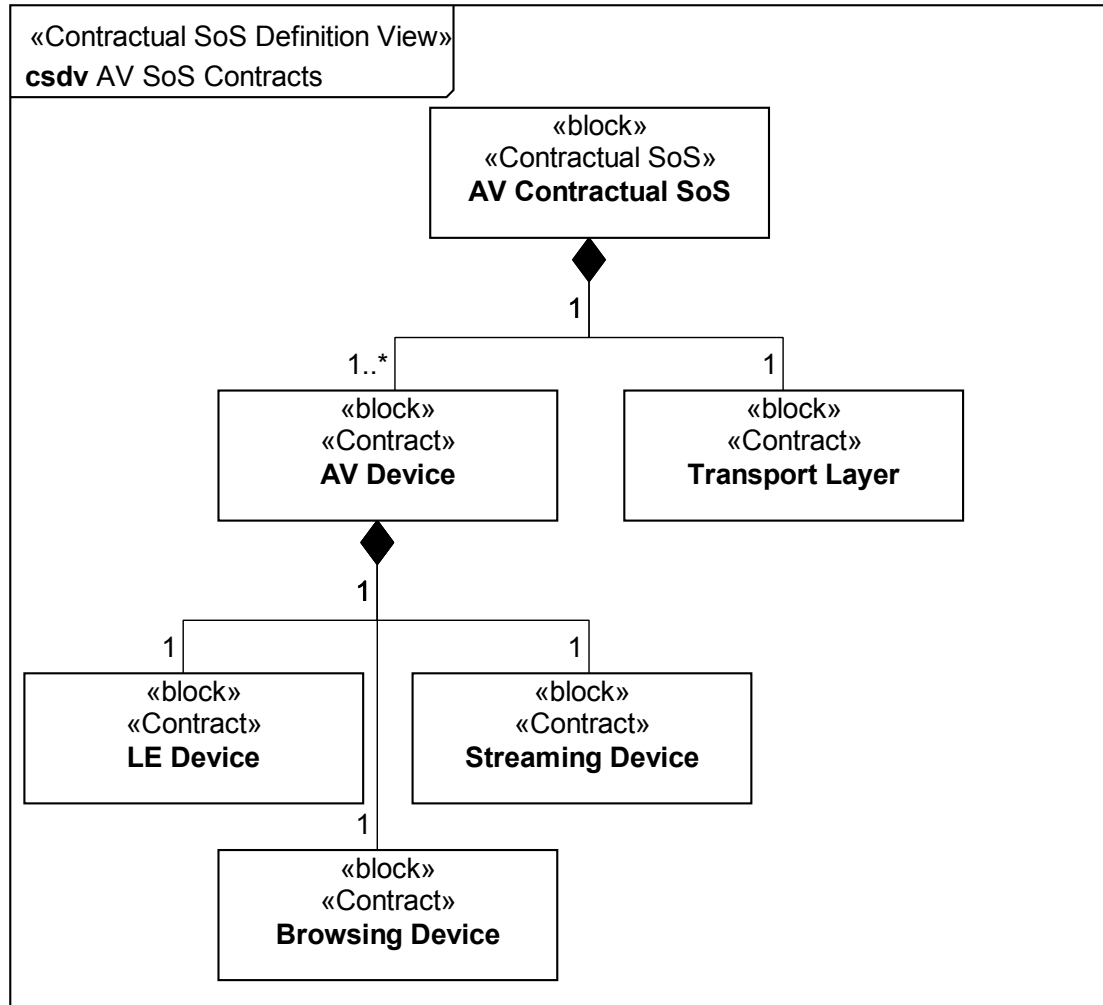
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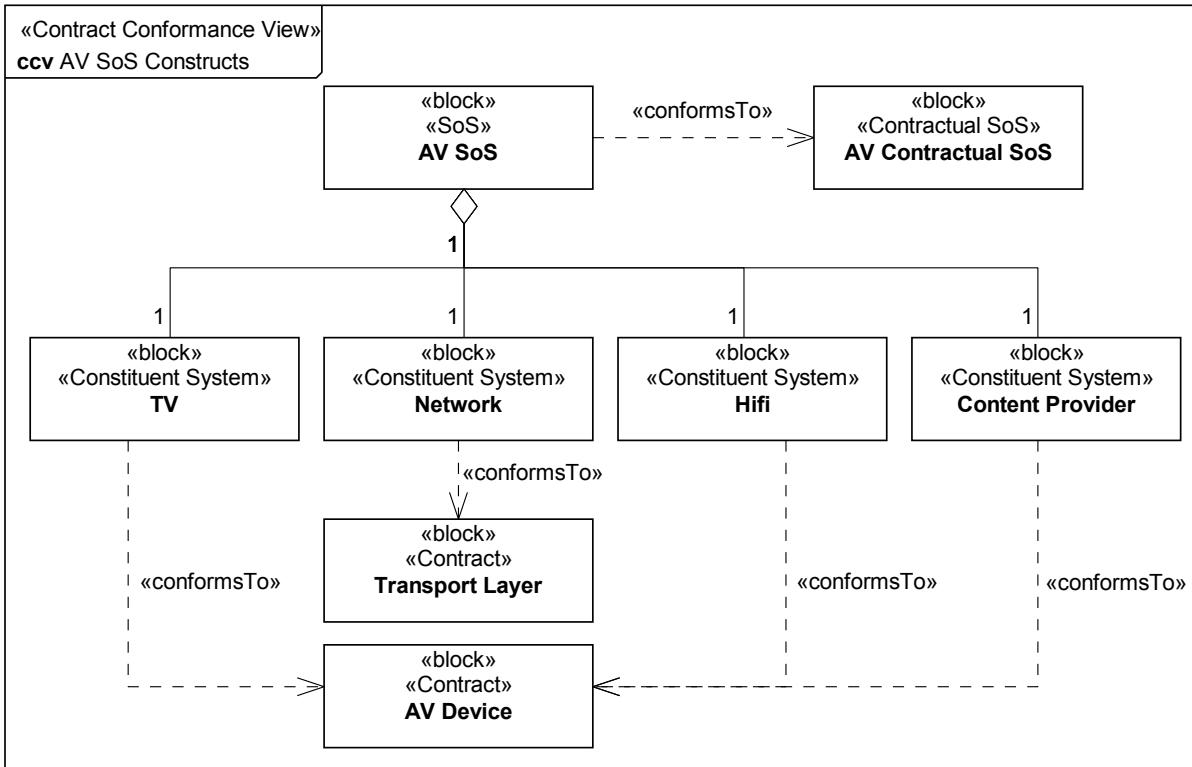
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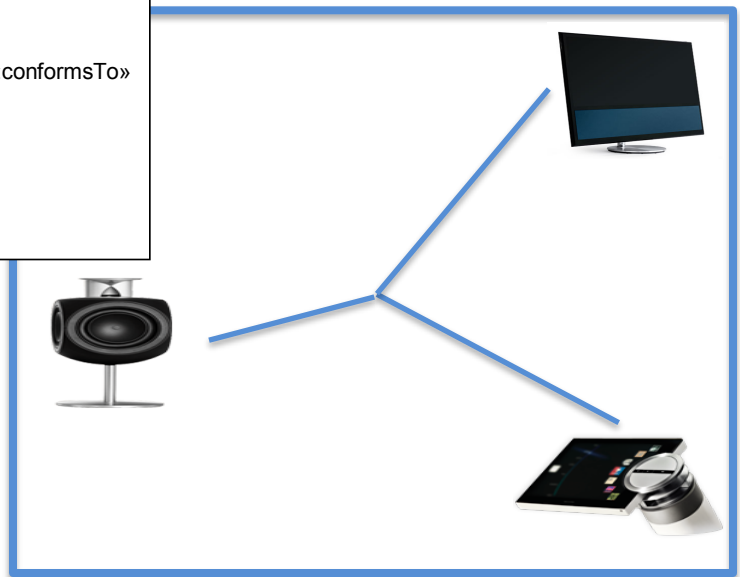
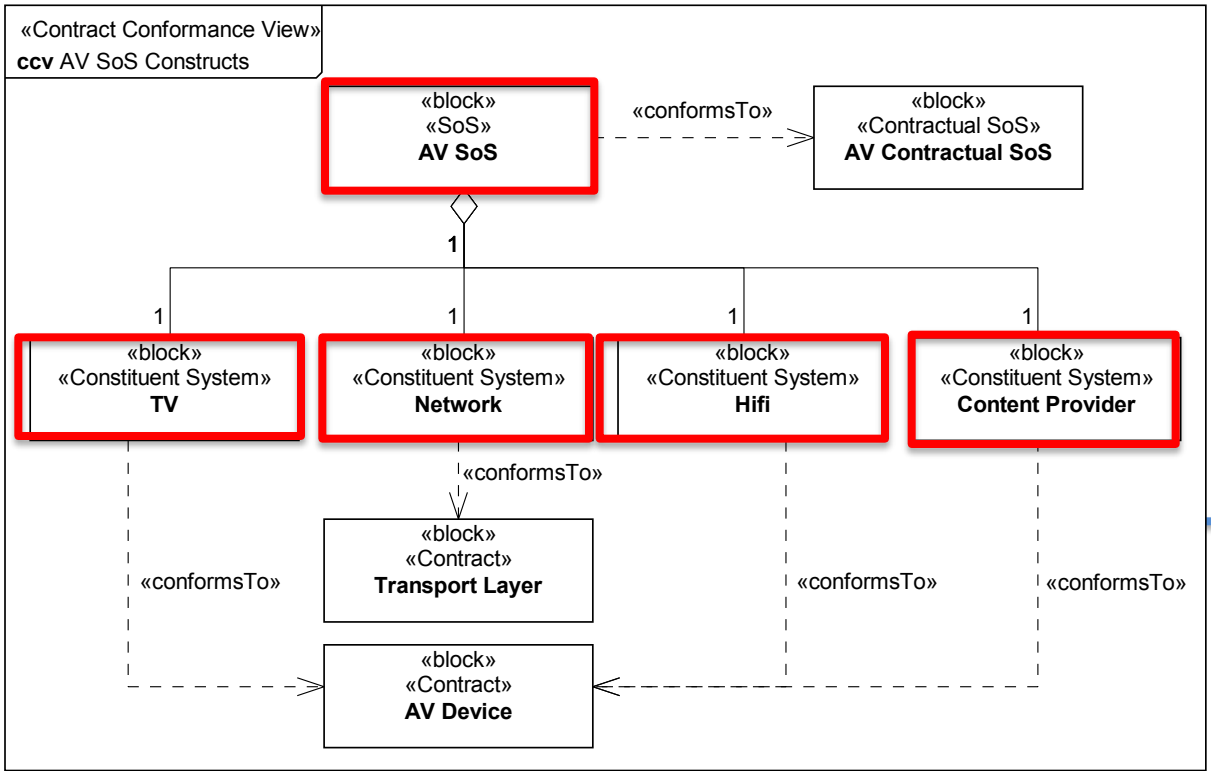
Contractual SoS Definition View



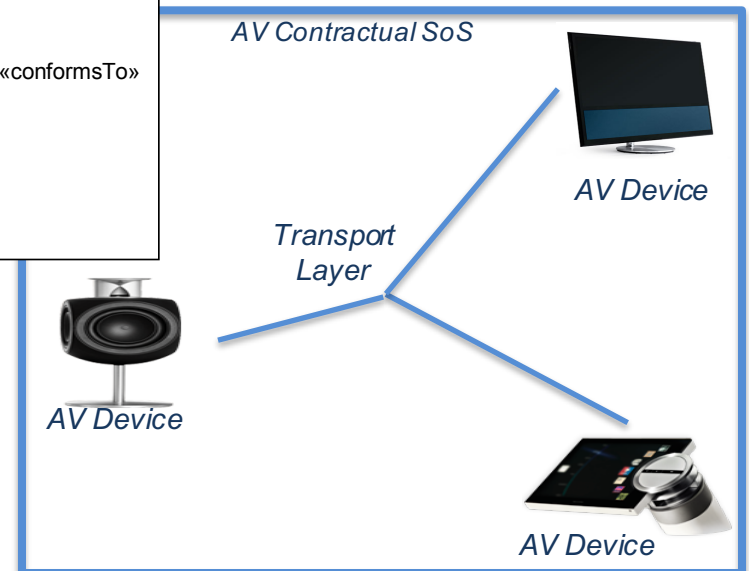
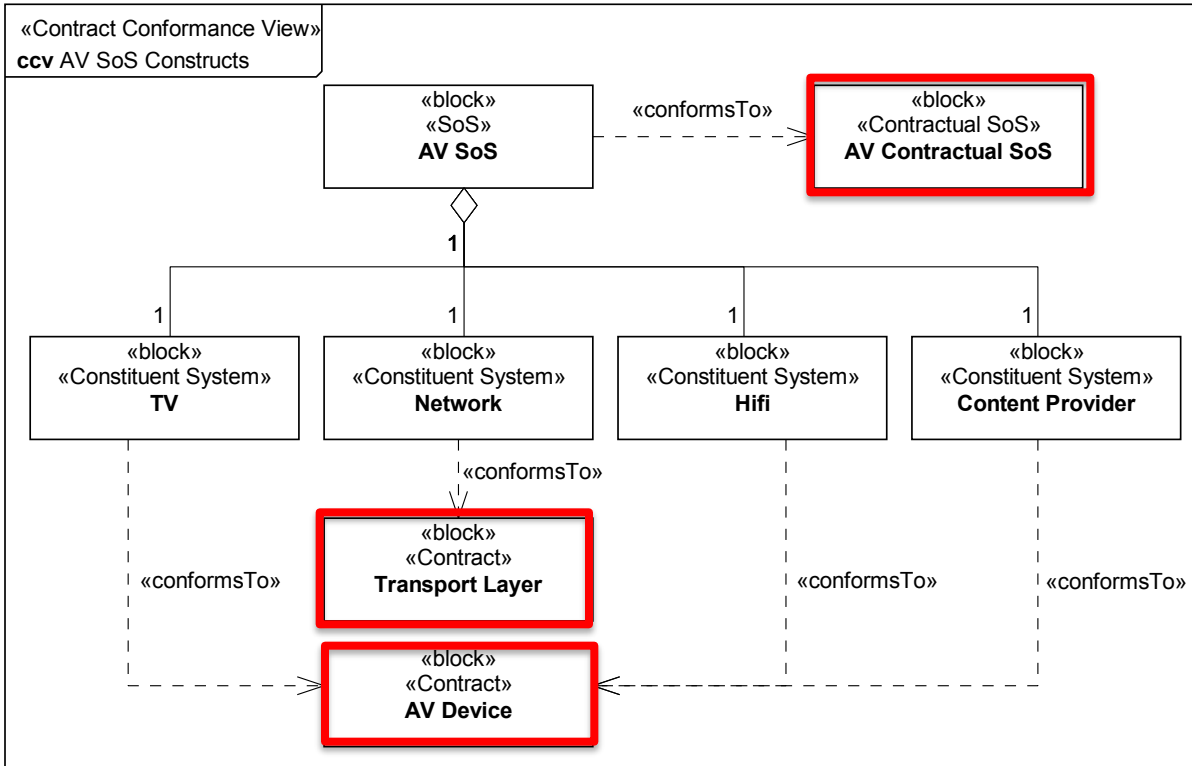
Contract Conformance View



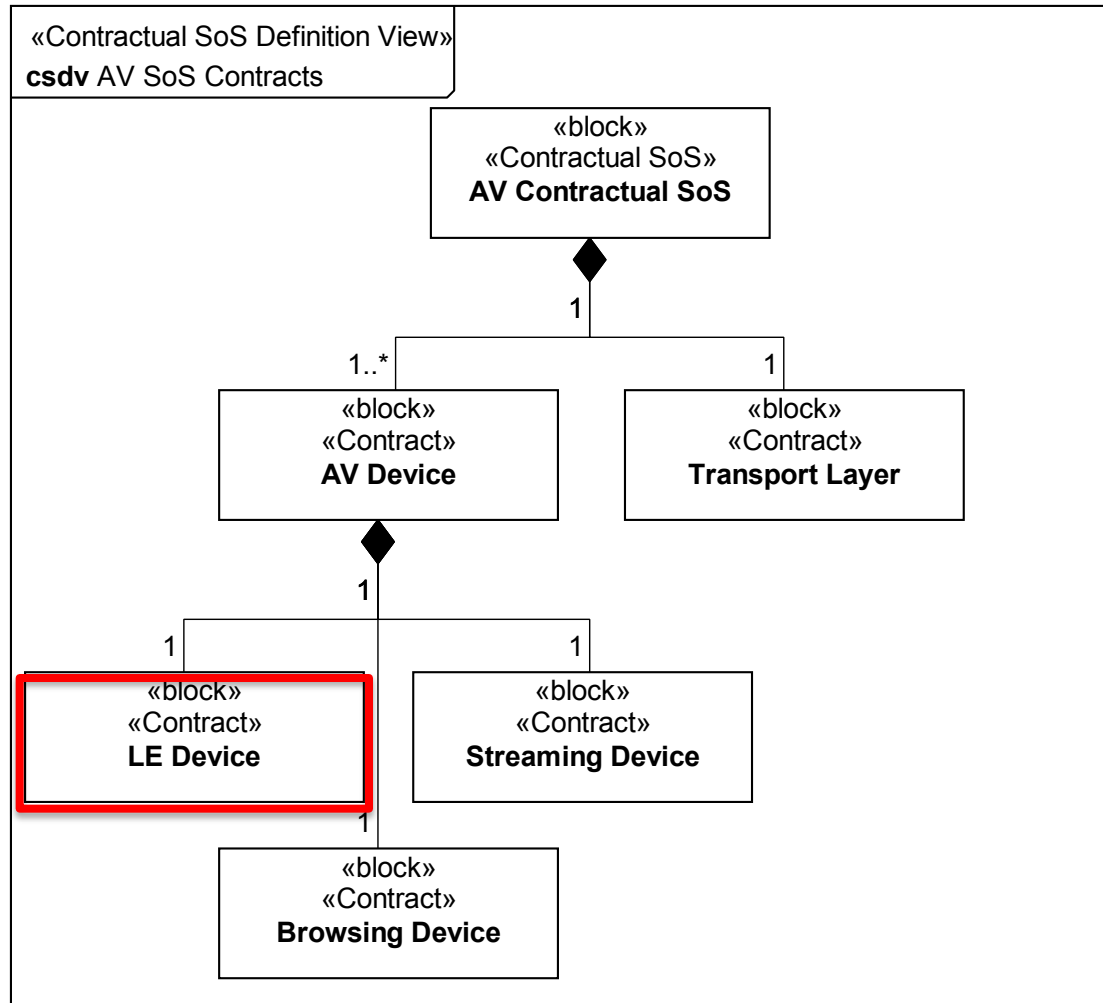
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Defining a Contract



LE Device Contract Definition View

«Contract Definition View»
cdv Partial LE Contract Definition

«block»
«Contract»
LE Device

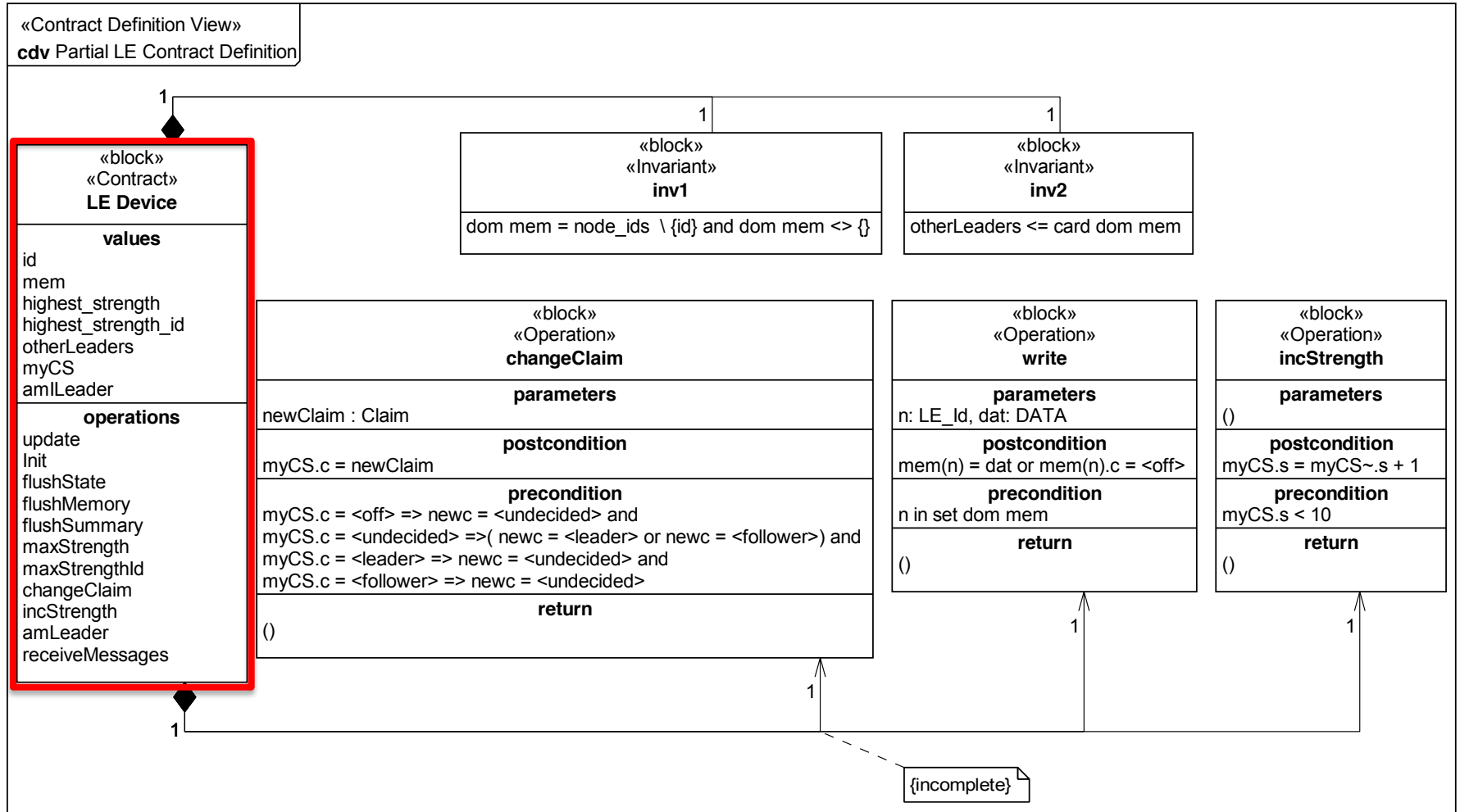
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mem
highest_strength
highest_strength_id
otherLeaders
myCS
amILeader

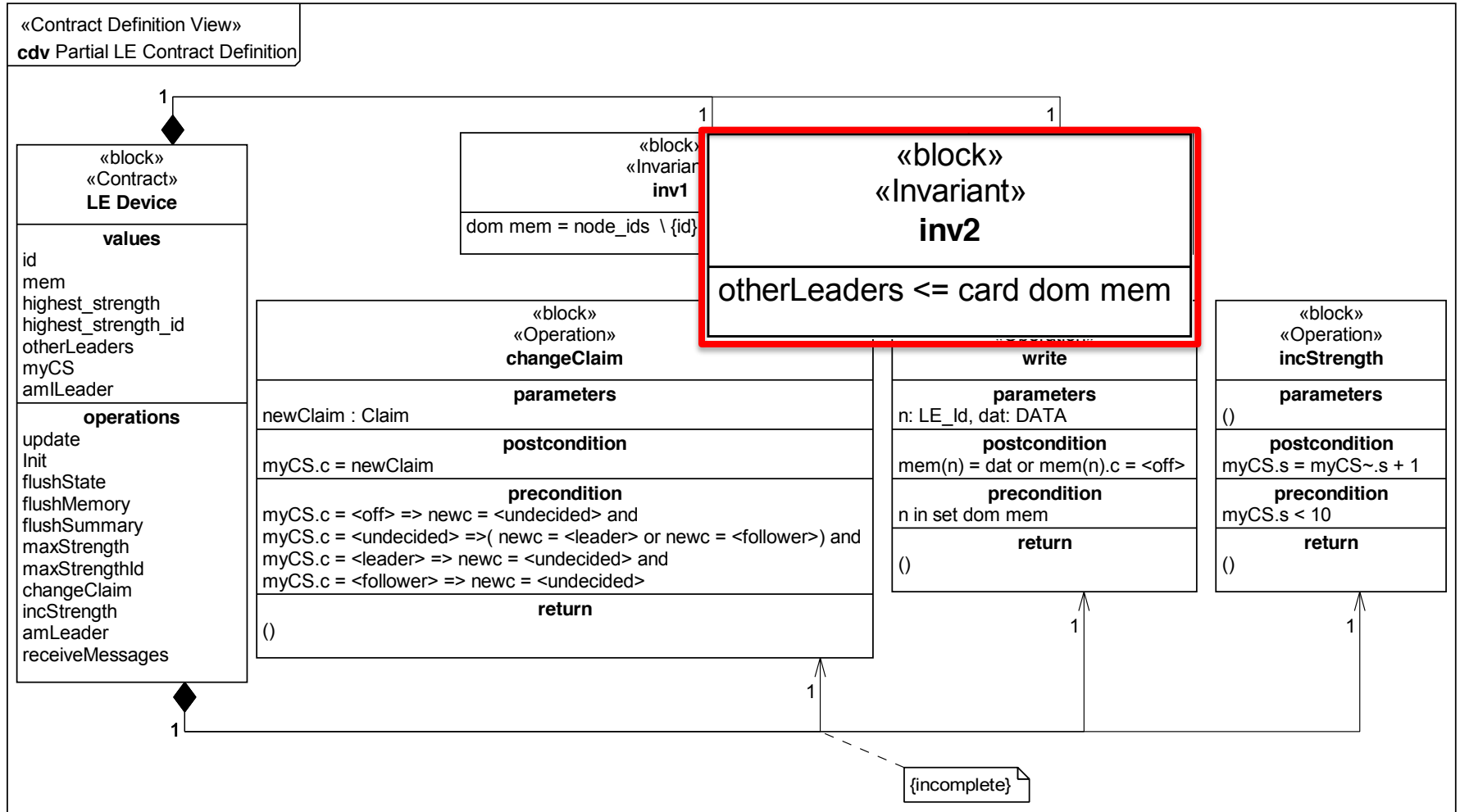
operations

update
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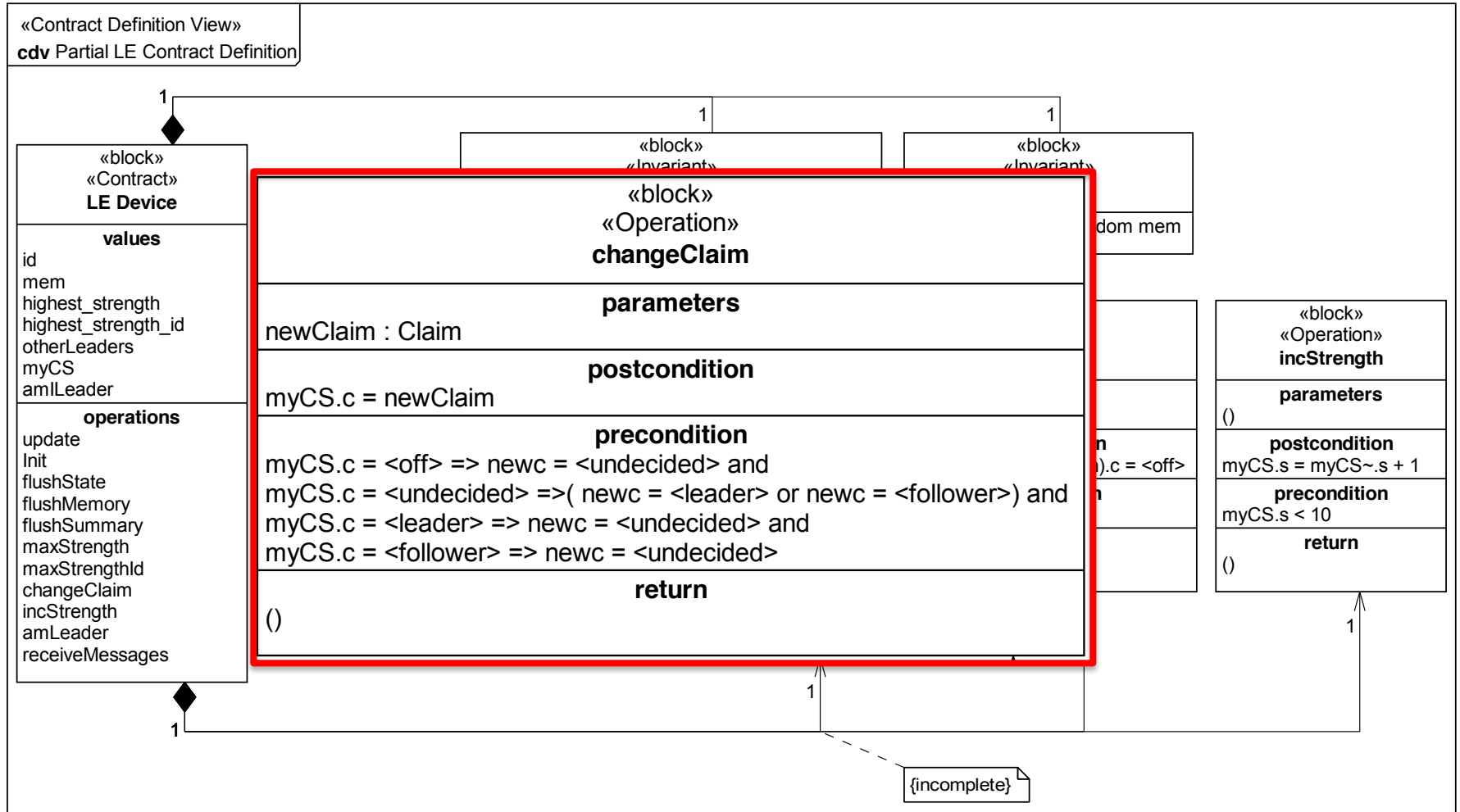
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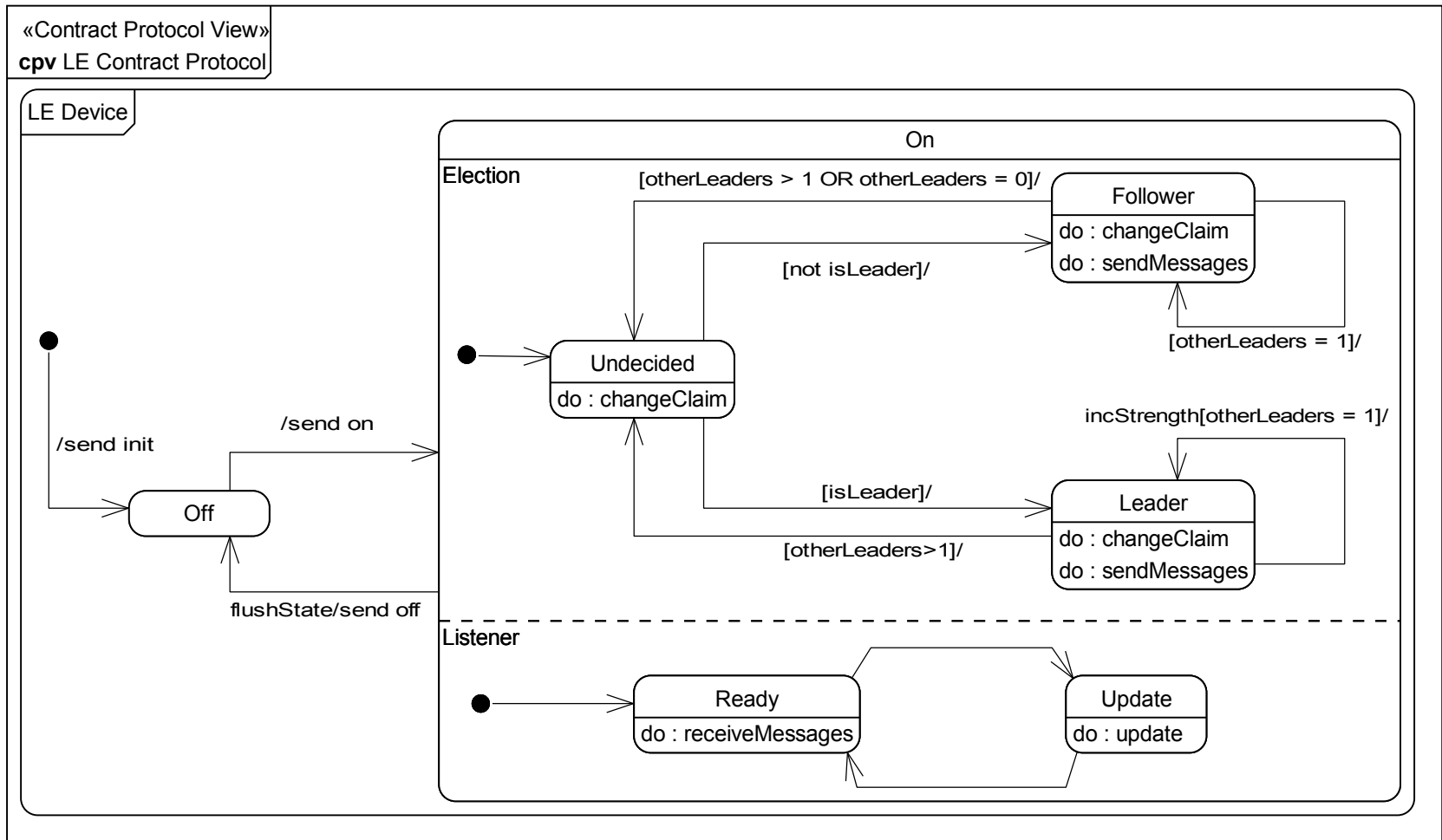
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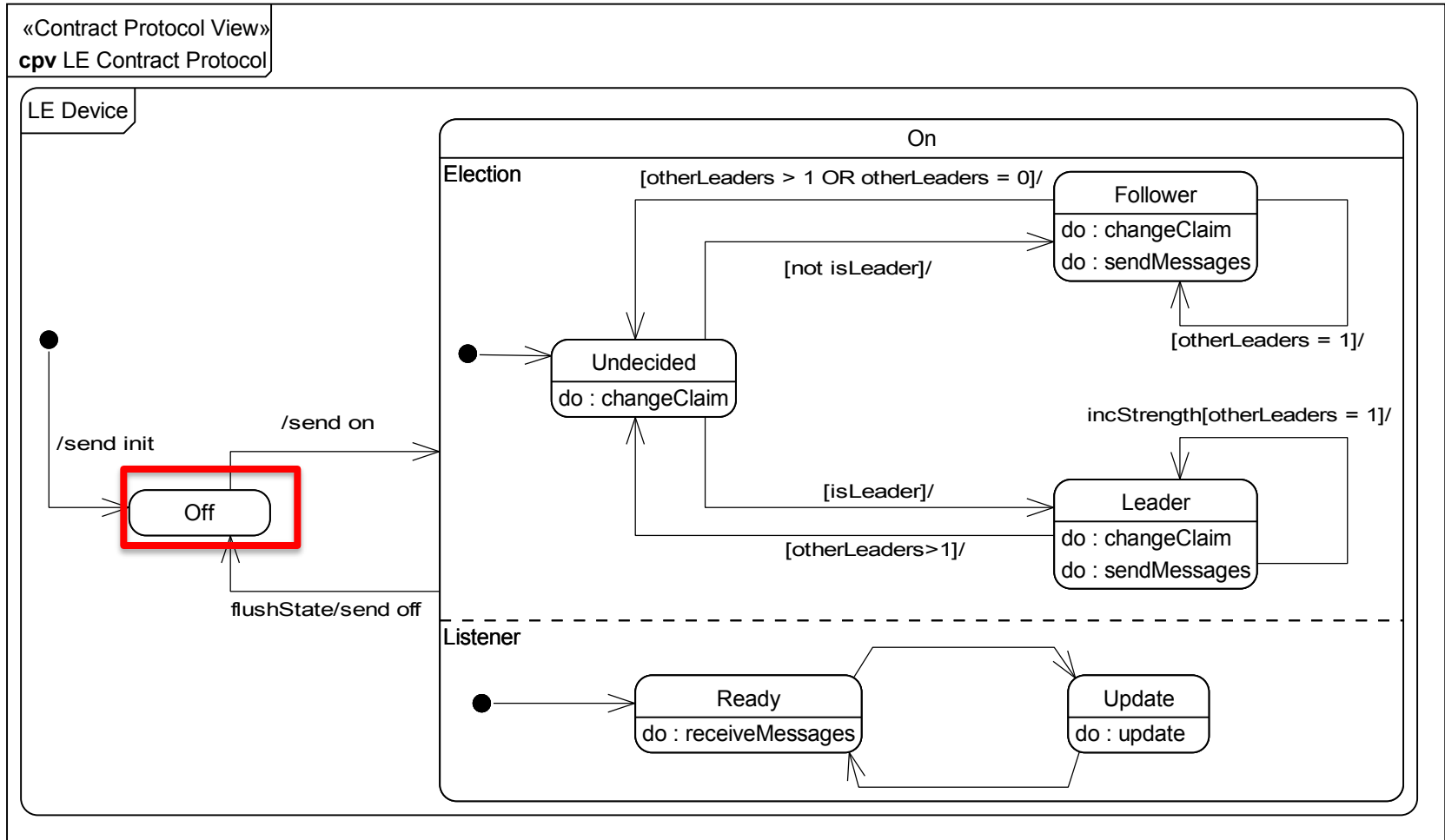
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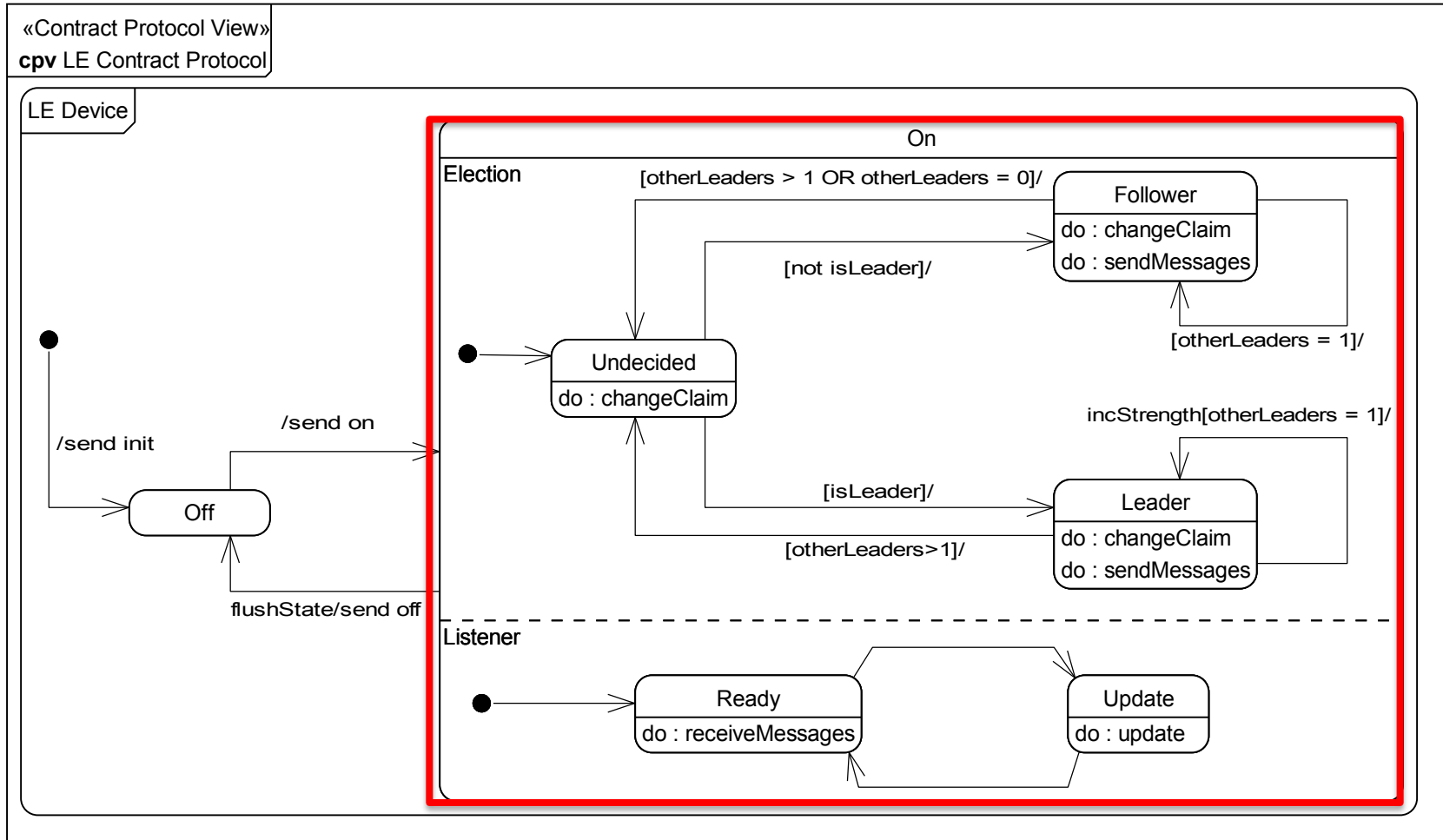
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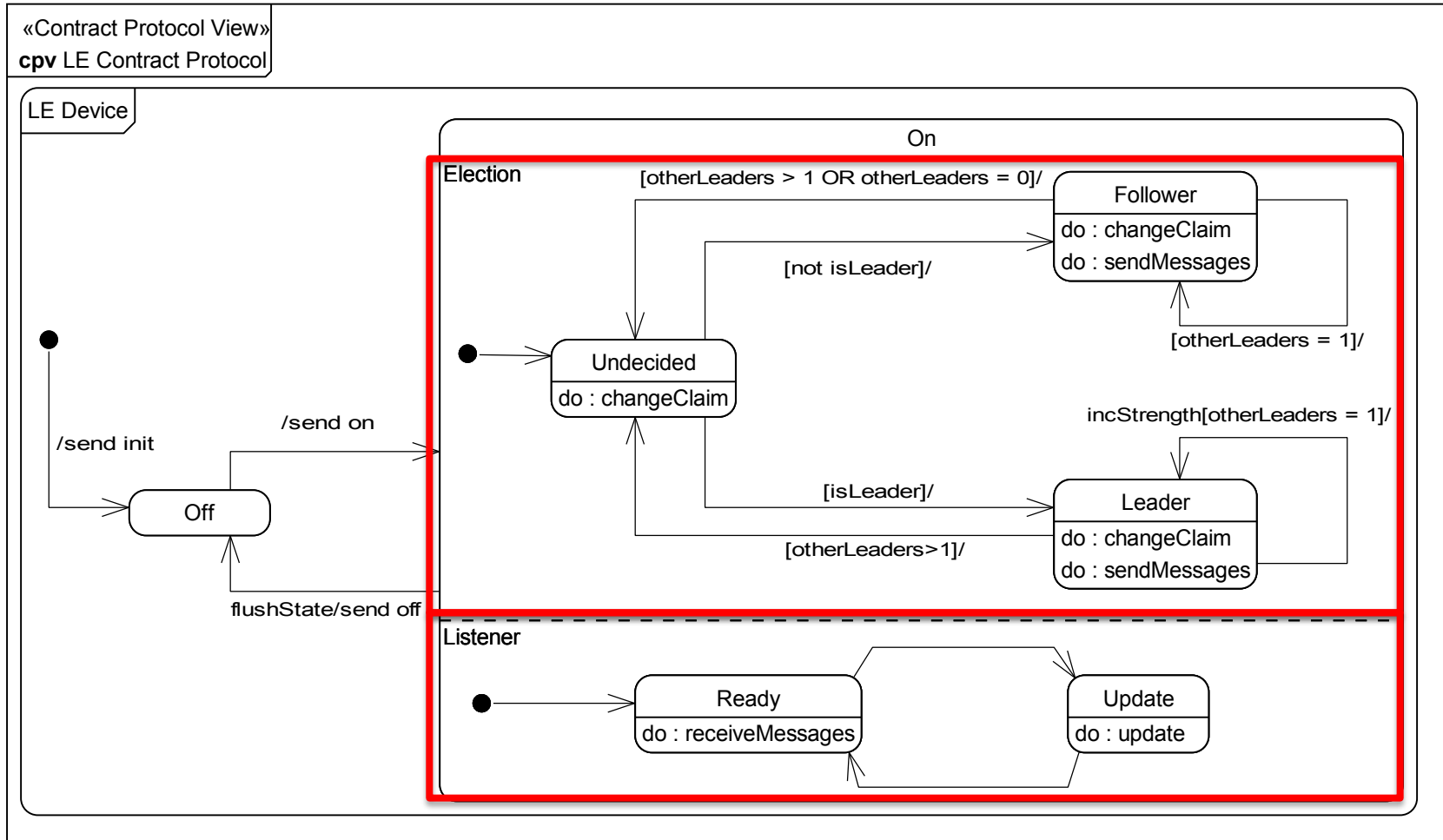
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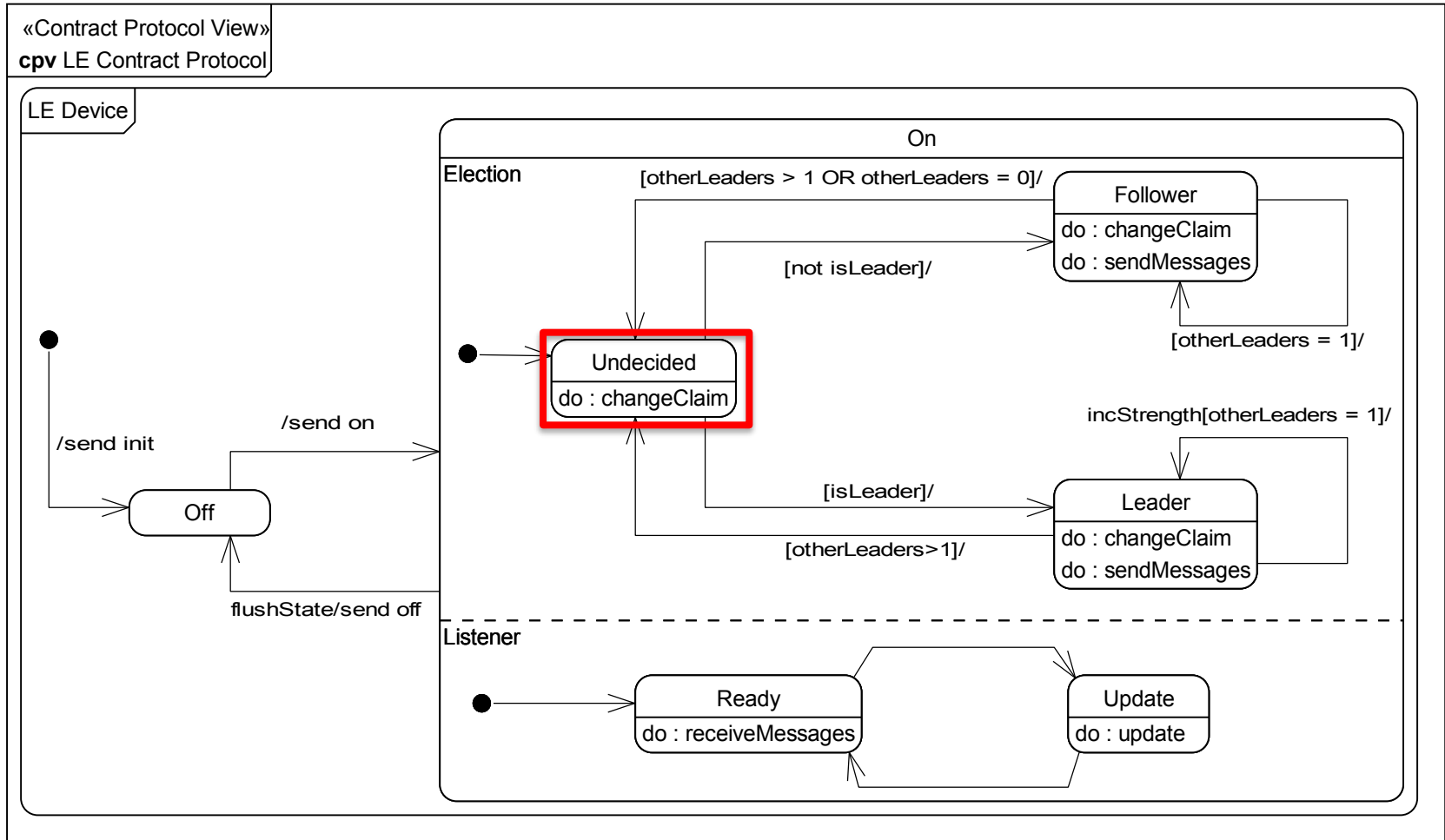
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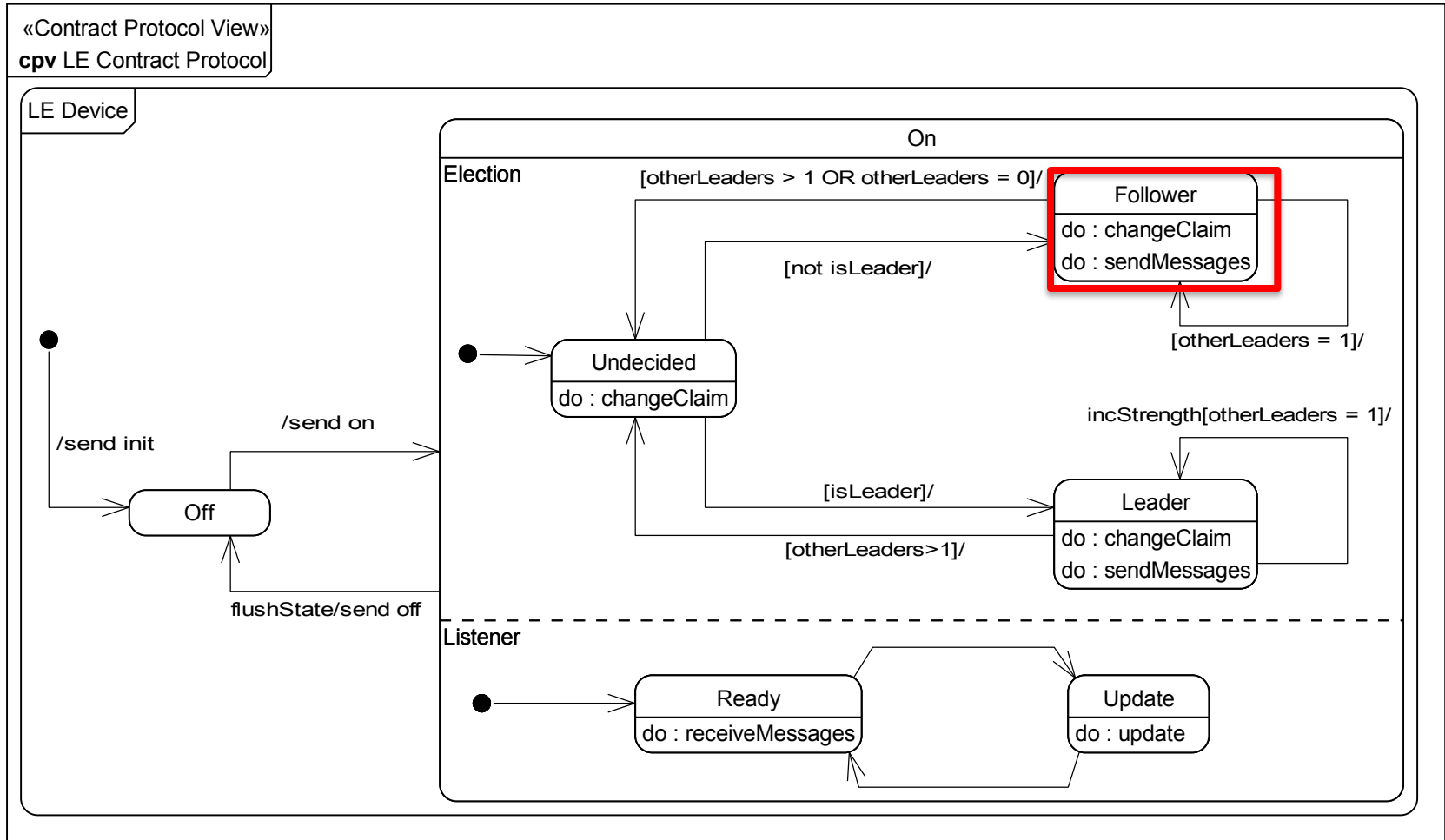
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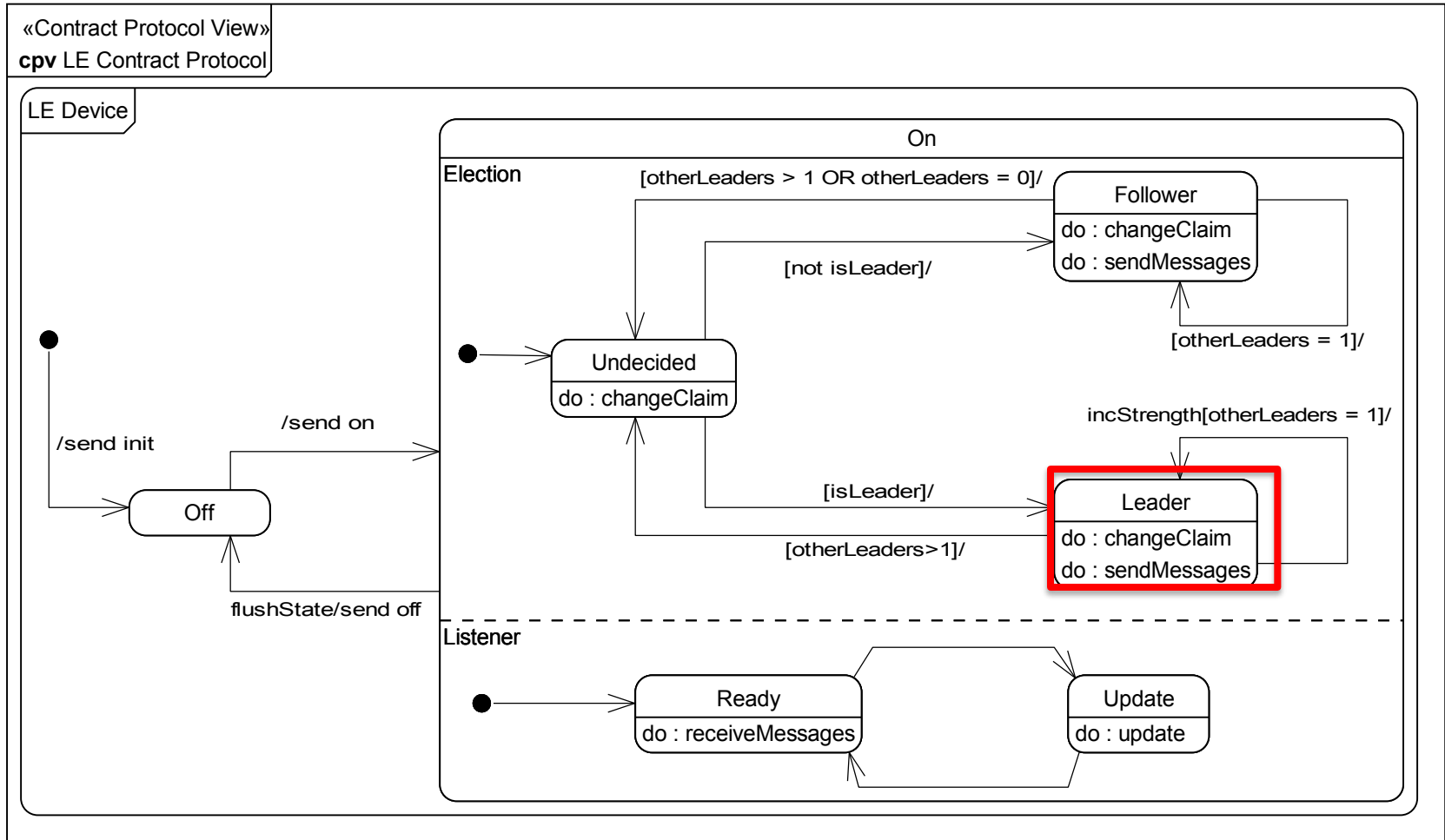
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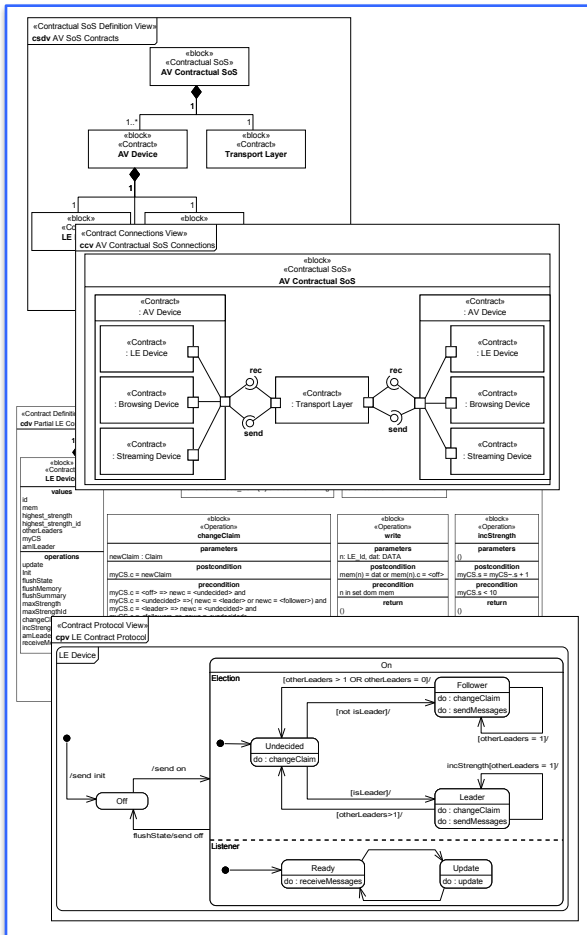


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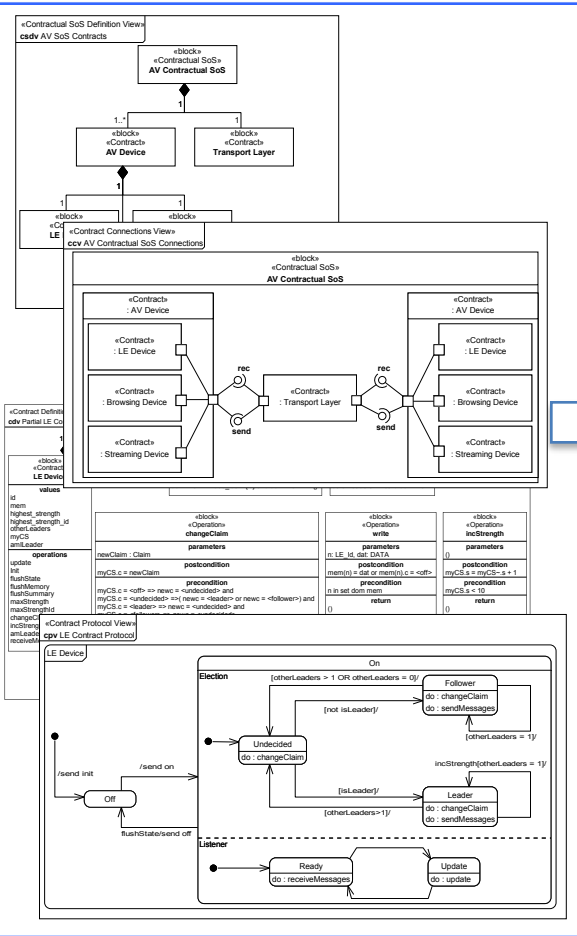
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- Translate SysML contract model to formal notation **COMPASS Modelling Language (CML)**
 - Contracts are defined in terms of communicating *processes*
 - Processes contain *datatypes, variables, operations and actions*
 - Verify requirement of emergent behaviour using CML tool **Symphony**
 - Formal semantics allows range of formal analyses

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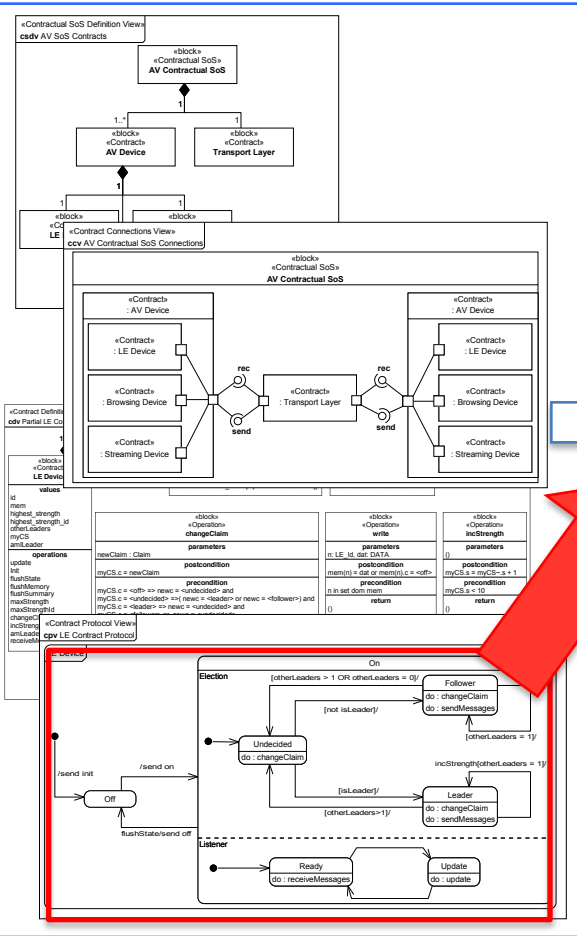
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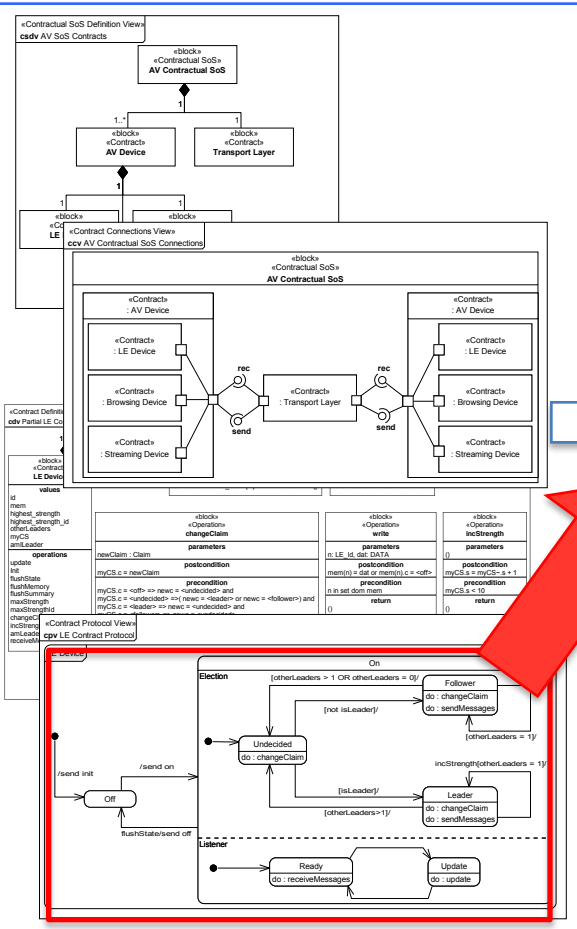
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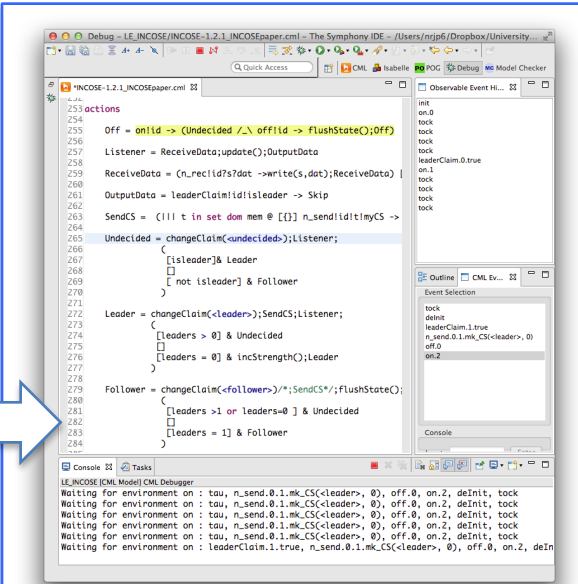
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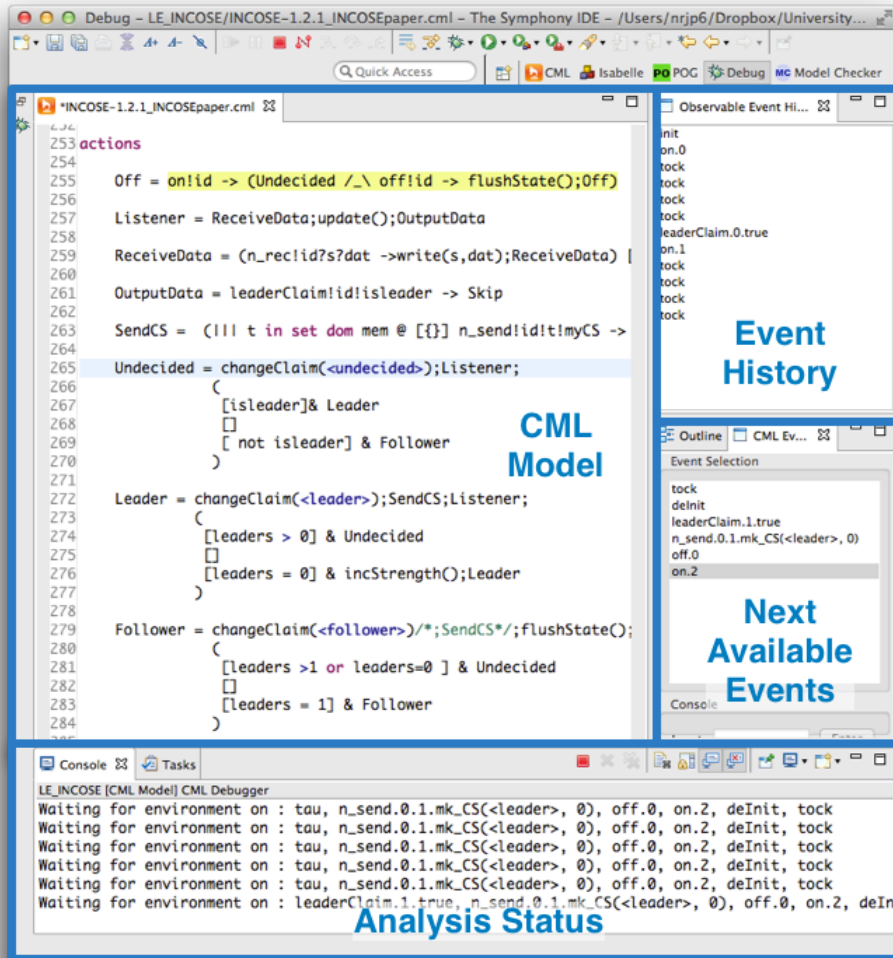
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- ## Symphony tool
- Analyse leader election emergent behaviour
 - Simulate execution of model
 - Model checking

CML Model Simulation



The screenshot shows the Symphony IDE interface for CML model simulation. The main window displays the CML Model code with annotations. The right sidebar shows the Event History and Next Available Events. The bottom console shows the Analysis Status.

```
253 actions
254
255 Off = on!id -> (Undecided /_ \ off!id -> flushState();Off)
256
257 Listener = ReceiveData;update();OutputData
258
259 ReceiveData = (n_reclid?s?dat ->write(s,dat);ReceiveData) |
260
261 OutputData = leaderClaim!id!isleader -> Skip
262
263 SendCS = (!!! t in set dom mem @ [{}] n_send!id!t!myCS ->
264
265 Undecided = changeClaim(<undecided>);Listener;
266 (
267 [isleader]& Leader
268 []
269 [ not isleader] & Follower
270 )
271
272 Leader = changeClaim(<leader>);SendCS;Listener;
273 (
274 [leaders > 0] & Undecided
275 []
276 [leaders = 0] & incStrength();Leader
277 )
278
279 Follower = changeClaim(<follower>);/*;SendCS*/;flushState();
280 (
281 [leaders >1 or leaders=0 ] & Undecided
282 []
283 [leaders = 1] & Follower
284 )
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CML Model

Event History

Next Available Events

Analysis Status

```
LE_INCOSE [CML Model] CML Debugger
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- Used Symphony simulator to execute traces of CML model
- Model does not meet requirement R1.1
 - Can have more than one leader
 - However, quickly resolved
 - Incorrect model or incorrect requirement?
- New CSs may be added and emergent behaviour maintained

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- Established need for **contractual definition of constituent systems**
 - Defined and demonstrated **contracts pattern** with industrial proof of concept study
 - Using SysML and CML
 - Demonstrated **analysis of CS contracts** to ensure required emergence is maintained
 - Simulation of CML model
 - Resulting in clarification of requirements

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- Integrate SoS engineering frameworks
 - e.g. fault modelling and analysis, testing
 - Enhance contract pattern
 - non-functional properties and security features
 - Modelling SoS-level contracts in pattern
 - Consequences of contract composition
 - Automated contract conformance

Future Work: Modelling Power in Contracts

- In CPLab at Newcastle University, working in SoS and Cyber-Physical Systems
- Existing pattern allows only representation of digital phenomena
- In CPS modelling, need to represent physical properties (e.g. power)
- Initial results modelling Smart Grids with contracts and co-modelling

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