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Summary

Work Package 33 delivers a collection of static analysis tool support for reasoning in SysML and CML. This deliverable forms the documentation for Task 3.3.3 – static fault analysis. Deliverable D33.3 is formed of two parts: executable code and documentation.

The executable code is provided as described in Section 2.1, and the documentation is provided in two documents. This document, D33.3a, is the first part; the user manual, which provides details on obtaining and installing the static fault analysis for SysML and fault tolerance verification in CML, and also how to use this support within the SysML tool support (Artisan Studio) and CML tool support (Symphony). The second part of the D33.3 documentation, the technical details of the static fault analysis, is provided in document D33.3b.

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1 Introduction

This document is a user manual for the static fault analysis support provided by the COMPASS project; the Fault Analysis Tool for Artisan Studio and the Fault Tolerance Plugin for the Symphony tool platform. This document is targeted at users with some experience of working with Artisan Studio and Eclipse-based tool platforms. Directions are given as to where to obtain the software.

The development method and workflow is described in detail in Deliverable D24.2 [ADP⁺13], and the relationships between the various technologies are shown in Figure 1.

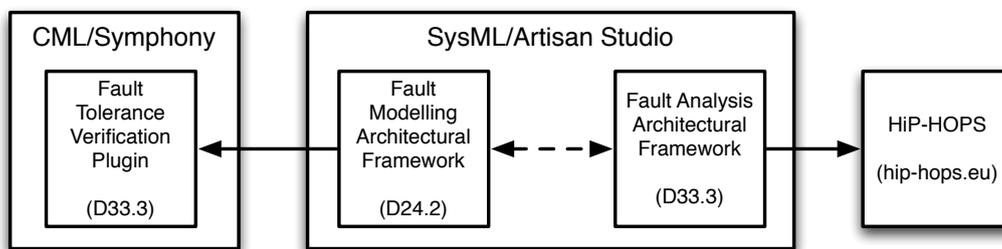


Figure 1: Fault modelling and analysis profile overview

Briefly, development starts with capturing SoS requirements. Our method provides dedicated mechanisms for dealing with fault tolerance and dependability requirements in a reusable, traceable and tool-supported way using the Fault Modelling Architectural Framework (FMAF). Given the architectural design, the effects of all the faults are analysed by applying the Fault Analysis Architectural Framework (FAAF)¹ and the Fault Analysis Tool for Artisan Studio. If the analysis shows potential violations of safety or any other dependability requirements the architect needs to make a decision to integrate fault tolerance (redundancy) into the architecture. Various architectural patterns can be applied at this step (depending on the types of faults, available resources, available information about constituents and their behaviour, etc.). This cycle (analysis-integration of fault tolerance) continues until the requirements are met.

The next step of our integrated approach is to systematically and automatically map fault and fault tolerance concerns expressed in a SysML model (defined using the FMAF) to the corresponding CML models. We develop specialised CML patterns/capabilities to make this mapping smoother and less error-prone. Based on this and using the developed translation rules, fault modelling aspects described

¹This is encoded as the Static Fault Analysis Profile and described in Part B of this deliverable.

in SysML are mapped into the CML model to be verified formally (and the Fault Tolerance Plugin for the Symphony tool platform). The formal verification we are concerned with is about recovery mechanisms, i.e. to assure that recovery actions can put the SoS back to its normal behaviour.

This user manual does not provide details regarding the underlying SysML or CML notations, or the HiP-HOPS tool. Thus if you are not familiar with either of these, we suggest the background material for SysML [Sys10], CML [CMC⁺14] and HiP-HOPS [PWP⁺11]. It should also be noted that an in-depth methodology for fault analysis modelling in HiP-HOPS is described in [PWP⁺11], and thus not replicated here.

This version of the document supports version 7.3 of the Artisan Studio and version 0.3.2 of Symphony. The intent is to introduce readers how to use the static fault analysis support plugins. Section 2 describes how to obtain, install and use the Fault Analysis Tool in Artisan Studio, Section 3 explains how to obtain, install and use the Fault Tolerance Plugin in Symphony. Conclusions are drawn in Section 4.

2 SysML Fault Analysis Tool

2.1 Obtaining and Installing the SysML Fault Analysis Tool

The Fault Analysis Tool for Artisan Studio consists of two parts:

1. SysML profile for creating Fault Analysis Models.
2. An executable tool for converting a SysML Fault Analysis Model into the correct format for HiP-HOPS and automatically execute the tool

As the Fault Analysis Tool is built on top of Artisan Studio, users must be using Windows and have Artisan Studio and HiP-HOPS installed as a prerequisite for the installation and use Fault Analysis Tool. Artisan Studio may be obtained from: <http://www.atego.com/products/artisan-studio/> and instructions for obtaining and installing HiP-HOPS are given below.

2.1.1 Obtaining the Fault Analysis Tool

The Fault Analysis Tool may be obtained as a zip file from:

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https://sourceforge.net/projects/compassresearch/  
files/StaticFaultAnalysis/
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The zip file contains two documents; this document and another which explains the underlying concepts used in the profile. The zip file also contains a folder (named “Fault Analysis Profile”) which contains the SysML Static Fault Analysis Profile and the executable Fault Analysis Tool (`SysML2HiPHOPS.exe`).

2.1.2 Installing the Fault Analysis Profile

To install the profile for HiP-HOPS, follow these steps:

1. Extract the zip file to a destination of your choice.
2. Move the “Fault Analysis Profile” folder into the Profiles folder of the Artisan Studio program. Typically this will be found at `C:\Program Files x86\Atego\Artisan Studio\System\Profiles`

The Fault Analysis Profile may now be used in Artisan Studio.

2.1.3 Obtaining and Installing HiP-HOPS

The Fault Analysis Tool relies upon the commercially available HiP-HOPS tool. HiP-HOPS has an evaluation version, which provides all functionalities supported by the Fault Analysis Tool with a limit on the model size that may be analysed. HiP-HOPS may be obtained from:

<http://hip-hops.eu/index.php/downloads>

An executable installer can be downloaded and instructions should be followed to install the tool. Typically the tool will be installed at `C:\Program Files x86\HiP-HOPS`.

2.2 Constructing a Fault Analysis Model

Before showing how to create a *Fault Analysis Model* using the HiP-HOPS profile we introduce the concepts and viewpoints of a *Fault Analysis Model* and explain the role of each in the analysis. There are also a number of constraints on the data required for HiP-HOPS analysis and the input format of the data – these are described in Appendix A.

We do not provide details of what HiP-HOPS does or how it works, or how to interpret the results – for such details we refer the reader to the HiP-HOPS user manual [HiP13]. For more details on how the concepts and viewpoints are related, we refer the reader to Part B of this deliverable (Section 3.1). A sample model is included in the Static Fault Analysis Profile and details on how to access the model are described in Section 2.2.3.

Once the concepts and viewpoints have been introduced we show how to create a new *Fault Analysis Model* and provide an overview of how to populate it with the *Fault Analysis Views* in Artisan Studio.

2.2.1 The concepts used in a *Fault Analysis Model*

The Fault Analysis Profile consists of a number of stereotypes for defining a *Fault Analysis Model*. These stereotypes represent the main concepts of the *Fault Analysis Model*. The concepts are related to: the structure of the *SoS*; optimisation of the *SoS*; definition of faults that originate in the *SoS*; and propagation of errors across *Constituents* and *Components* of the *SoS*. The concepts of the Fault Analysis Profile are summarised in Table 1.

Table 1: The Fault Analysis Profile concepts

Name	Overview of Concept
Fault Analysis Model	The top-level concept that identifies the <i>SoS</i> to be analysed along with global level properties such as the length of time for which the <i>SoS</i> is running.
Failure Class	Identifies a class of failure of interest for the analysis. Examples include, omission, commission and value. Analysis is constrained to <i>Failure Classes</i> identified in the <i>Failure Class Definition View</i> .
Optimisation Parameters	The parameters required to customise the optimisation process, such as the <i>Objectives</i> of the optimisation and the maximum number of generations to explore.
Objective	Defines a goal of the optimisation of a <i>Fault Analysis Model</i> , for example minimise cost or maximise availability. Lower and upper bounds within which the optimisation will focus can also be defined.
SoS	Represents the <i>SoS</i> of interest for the fault analysis. This roughly corresponds to the HiP-HOPS notion of System.
Constituent	Represents a constituent system of the <i>SoS</i> of interest. This roughly corresponds to the HiP-HOPS notion of Component.
Component	Represents a component of a <i>Constituent</i> of the <i>SoS</i> of interest. This also roughly corresponds to the HiP-HOPS notion of Component. <i>Components</i> can be further decomposed (via <i>Implementations</i>) into sub- <i>Components</i> , but these two concepts are not distinguished between in the Fault Analysis Profile.
Line	Represents a multi-way connection between multiple <i>Constituents</i> or <i>Components</i> . <i>Lines</i> can be assigned a default propagation logic (OR or AND) and may allow propagation of errors in a directional, or non-directional manner.
Line End	Represents a port at one end of a <i>Line</i> . Has one or more associated <i>Propagation Logic</i> elements to define how errors are propagated into this port from other ports on the <i>Line</i> .
Implementation	Every <i>Constituent</i> and <i>Component</i> must have at least one <i>Implementation</i> . Different <i>Implementations</i> have different attributes for optimisation. <i>Implementations</i> may also be decomposed into different configurations of <i>Components</i> .
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Name	Overview of Concept
Basic Event	Represents an event within the <i>Implementation</i> that could lead to a failure of the <i>Implementation</i> . A <i>Basic Event</i> may have an associated unavailability formula for recording the quantitative failure data relating to the event.
Output Deviation	Defines the possible failures of an <i>Implementation</i> with respect to any (propagated) deviations in the inputs of an <i>Implementation</i> and its <i>Basic Events</i> .
Propagation Logic	Defines how errors are propagated along a <i>Line</i> into a given <i>Line End</i> for a particular set of <i>Failure Classes</i> .

2.2.2 The viewpoints used to define a *Fault Analysis Model*

The Fault Analysis Profile consists of a number of viewpoints for defining a *Fault Analysis Model*. When instantiated correctly these viewpoints provide sufficient information for HiP-HOPS analysis of the model. The viewpoints provide information on: the structure of the *SoS*; the faults that originate in the *SoS*; the propagation of errors across *Constituents* and *Components* of the *SoS*. The viewpoints of the Fault Analysis Profile are summarised in Table 2.

For examples of each viewpoint the reader is referred to the Sample Model (see Section 2.2.3).

2.2.3 Sample model

A *Sample Model* is automatically imported when creating a model using the Fault Analysis Profile. This is an adaptation of the example from the HiP-HOPS user manual [HiP13] to a SysML representation (using the Fault Analysis Profile). The Sample Model is located within the Fault Analysis Profile package of the model (see Figure 2). Within this package the “Model Information” text file provides hyper-links to all of the views defined for the example *Fault Analysis Model*.

2.2.4 Creating a new *Fault Analysis Model*

The following steps are required to create a Model using the Static Fault Analysis Profile:

Table 2: The Fault Analysis Profile viewpoints

Name	Purpose of Viewpoint
Model and Optimisation Definition	Defines the global parameters of a <i>Fault Analysis Model</i> , including parameters for optimisation (if required).
SoS Definition	Defines the <i>SoS</i> in terms of its <i>Constituents</i> and <i>Lines</i> .
SoS Connections	Shows the connections between the <i>Constituents</i> of an <i>SoS</i> and associates each connection with a <i>Line</i> .
Implementation Definition	Defines an <i>Implementation</i> of a <i>Constituent</i> or a <i>Component</i> in terms of its <i>Components</i> and <i>Lines</i> .
Implementation Connections	Shows the connections between the <i>Components</i> of an <i>Implementation</i> and associates each connection with a <i>Line</i> .
Failure Class Definition	Defines the possible <i>Failure Classes</i> of the <i>Fault Analysis Model</i> .
Implementation Failure Definition	Defines the <i>Basic Events</i> of an <i>Implementation</i> along with its <i>Output Deviations</i> .
Line Definition	Defines the <i>Propagation Logic</i> associated with each end of a <i>Line</i> .

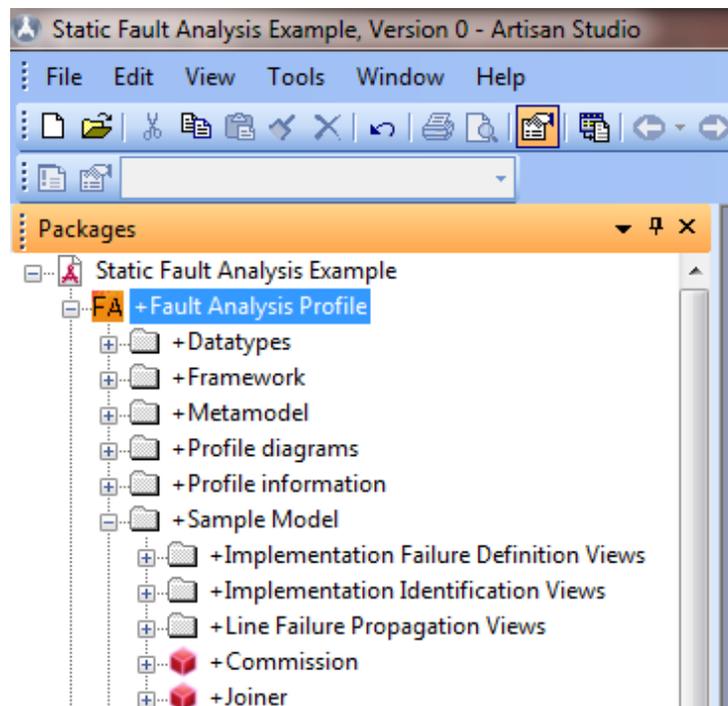


Figure 2: The location of the Sample Model

1. Open Artisan Studio and create a new model & select the Static Fault Analysis profile to apply the profile to the model.
2. Create a new package to contain the *Fault Analysis Model*.
3. Define the *Fault Analysis Model* using custom menu commands and toolbars, adding the finer details via the Artisan Studio properties window (see Sections 2.2.5-2.2.7).

2.2.5 Creating views via the custom menus

A number of custom menus have been added to Artisan Studio as part of the Fault Analysis Profile. These menus facilitate the creation of the required views of a *Fault Analysis Model*. In this section we show how to create the *Model and Optimisation Definition View* using these custom menus. The remaining views can be created in a similar way.

The following steps tell you how to create a *Model and Optimisation Definition View* for a new *Fault Analysis Model* (a *Fault Analysis Model* will be created as well as the *Model and Optimisation Definition View*):

1. Right click on the package you created for the *Fault Analysis Model* in Section 2.2 and select “New Fault Analysis View” → “Model and Optimisation View” as shown in Figure 3

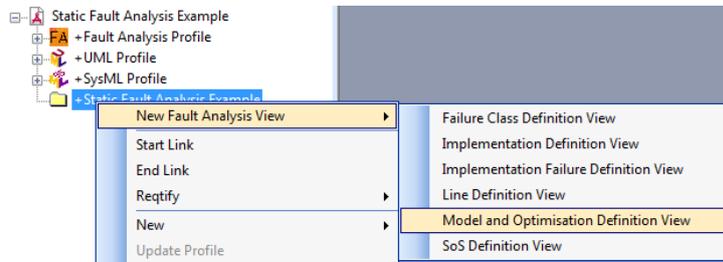


Figure 3: Creating a new *Model and Optimisation Definition View*

2. Enter a unique name for the new *Fault Analysis Model* (if the name is not unique you will be prompted to reenter the name) as shown in Figure 4

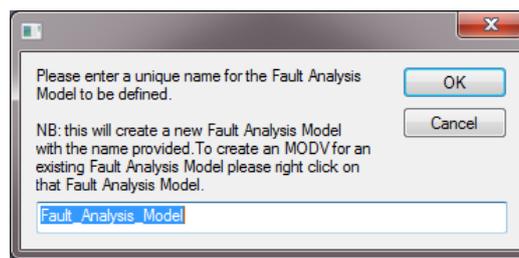


Figure 4: Providing a name for the *Fault Analysis Model*

3. The new *Model and Optimisation Definition View* will be created as shown in Figure 5

Alternatively, if you already have a *Fault Analysis Model* defined, the following steps tell you how to create the *Model and Optimisation Definition View* in this situation (only a *Model and Optimisation Definition View* will be created):

1. Right click on the *Fault Analysis Model* that you wish to create a *Model and Optimisation Definition View* for and select “New Fault Analysis View” → “Model and Optimisation View” as shown in Figures 6 and 7
2. The new *Model and Optimisation Definition View* will be created and will look the same as previously shown in Figure 5

Other views of the *Fault Analysis Model* may be created in a similar fashion. Table 3 shows from which model element each view can be created. It is slightly more complex to create an *Implementation Definition View* on a package as the

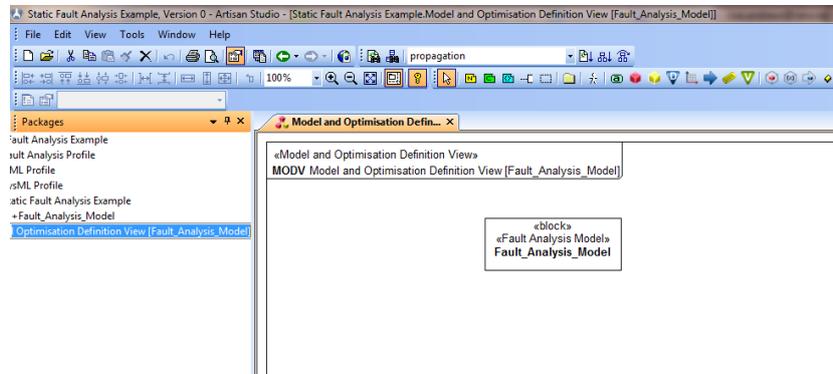


Figure 5: The newly created *Model and Optimisation Definition View*

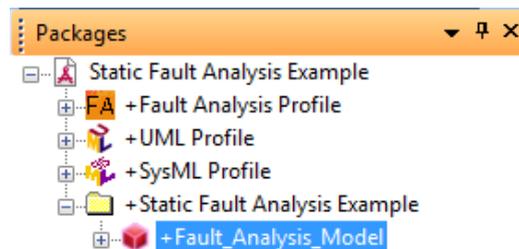


Figure 6: Select the *Fault Analysis Model* that you wish to create an *Model and Optimisation Definition View* for

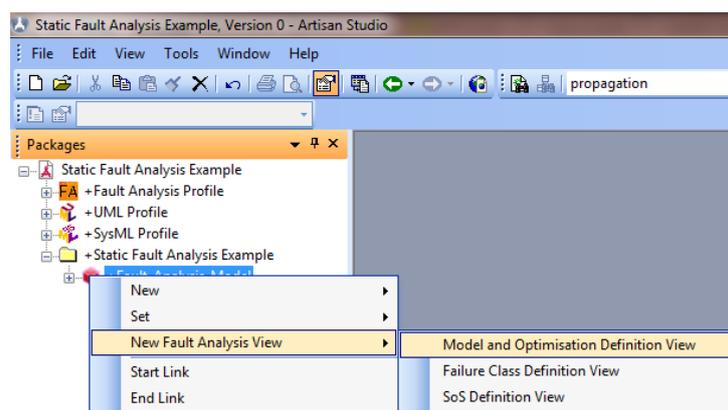


Figure 7: Creating the new *Model and Optimisation Definition View* for the selected *Fault Analysis Model*

base element for this can either be a *Constituent* or a *Component*. In this situation there is an extra input box to determine the required base element (see Figure 8). The *SoS Connections View* and the *Implementation Connections View* can only be created from a model element (*SoS* and *Implementation* respectively) as these are Internal Block Diagrams, which required an owning block for their creation. If the *SoS Definition View* is created from a *Fault Analysis Model* the *SoS* tag of the *Fault Analysis Model* is automatically populated with the new *SoS* created. Likewise if the *Failure Class Definition View* is created from a *Fault Analysis Model* the *Failure class definitions* tag of the *Fault Analysis Model* is automatically populated with the new *Failure Class Definition View* created.

Table 3: The model elements from which each *Fault Analysis View* may be created

View	Created From
Model and Optimisation Definition	Package, <i>Fault Analysis Model</i>
SoS Definition	Package, <i>Fault Analysis Model</i> , <i>SoS</i>
SoS Connections	<i>SoS</i>
Implementation Definition	Package, <i>Constituent</i> , <i>Component</i>
Implementation Connections	<i>Implementation</i>
Failure Class Definition	Package, <i>Fault Analysis Model</i>
Implementation Failure Definition	Package, <i>Implementation</i>
Line Definition	Package, <i>Line</i>

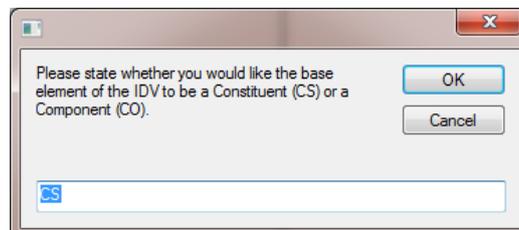


Figure 8: Choosing the base model element for an *Implementation Definition View*

2.2.6 Populating the *Fault Analysis Views*

Once a *Fault Analysis View* has been created, further elements of the view can be added using custom built toolbars. The buttons on these toolbars will only add model elements that belong in a particular view, and will automatically apply the appropriate stereotype to the base model element.

As an example, the steps below show how to add a *Constituent* to an *SoS* using the custom toolbars:

1. Open the *SoS Definition View* that contains the *SoS* to which you wish to add a *Constituent* navigate to the “CS” button as highlighted in Figure 9

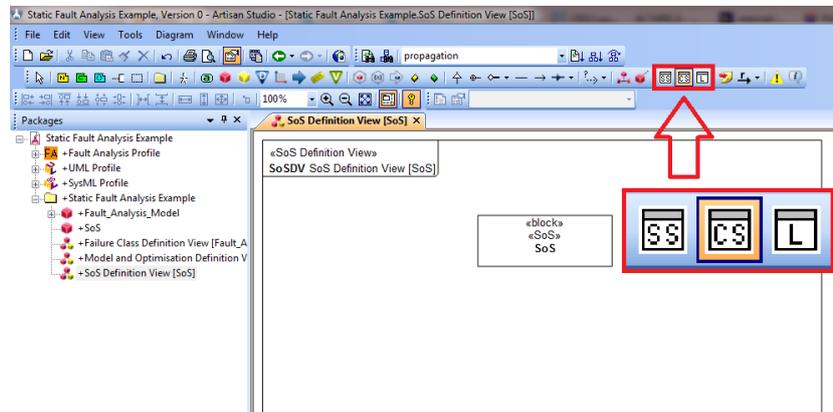


Figure 9: Click on the “CS” button to add a *Constituent* to the view

2. A new *Constituent* will be created and you will be prompted to change its name (if desired) as shown in Figure 10

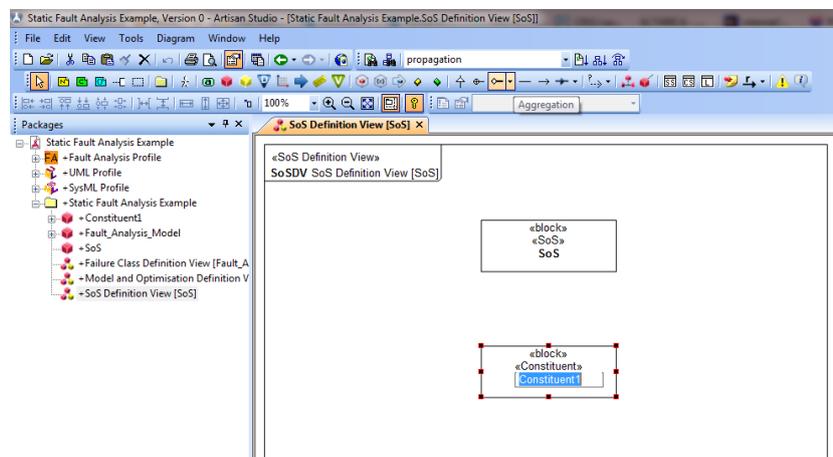


Figure 10: Enter a new name for the *Constituent* if desired

3. Finally create an aggregation relationship between the *Constituent* and the *SoS* in the usual way resulting in the view shown in Figure 11

Note that the abbreviations used on the toolbar buttons are intended to be self explanatory. However, if you mouse over a button you will also see the full name of the view element that will be created.

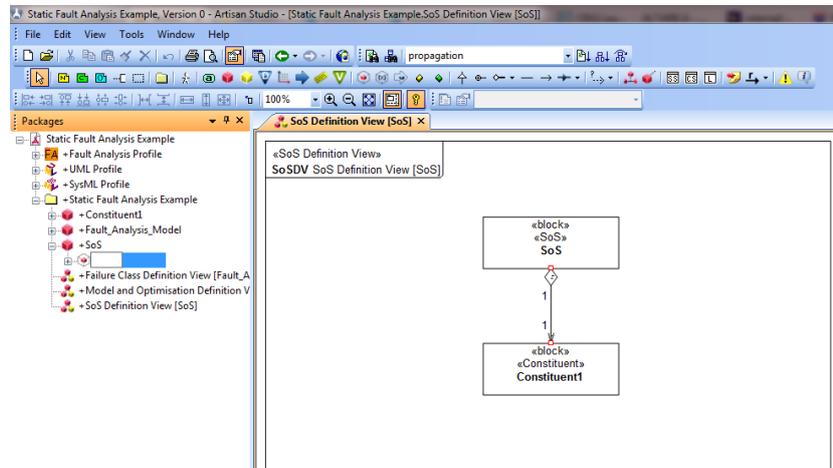


Figure 11: The view after the aggregation relationship has been added

The Connections Views (the *SoS Connections View* and the *Implementation Connections View*) are slightly different from the others, therefore we adjoin some further instruction for them. For these views, ports should be added to the parts and connections between ports should also be included. The ports should be SysML *Flow Ports* as errors are considered to be propagated throughout the *SoS* via deviations of *flows* of information or matter. An *Includes Connection* dependency has been created to associate *Lines* with connections between *Constituents* and *Components* in these views.

The *Includes Connection* dependency is added to a (connections) view by the following steps:

1. Add an ordinary SysML *Dependency* from a *Line* to a connection in the usual way
2. Right-click on the new dependency and select “Includes Connection” from the “Applied Stereotypes” menu as shown in Figure 12
3. This results in the *SoS Connections View* shown in Figure 13

Note (see Section 2.2.8) that custom toolbars have not yet been implemented for the Connections Views.

2.2.7 Editing tag values

Once the basic hierarchy of the model has been defined using the *Fault Analysis Views*, it is necessary to complete the model by editing the properties of the view

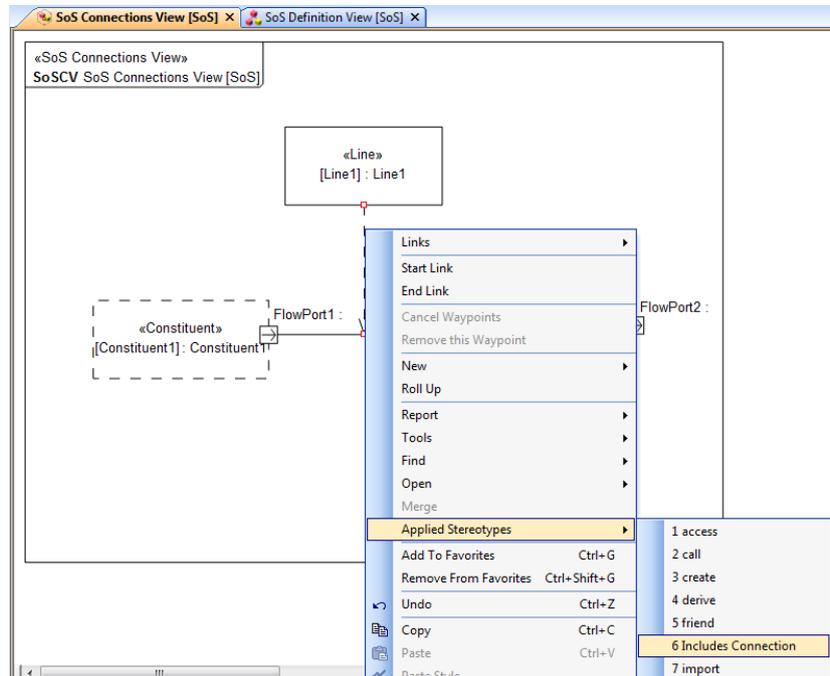


Figure 12: Apply the *Includes Connection* stereotype to the dependency

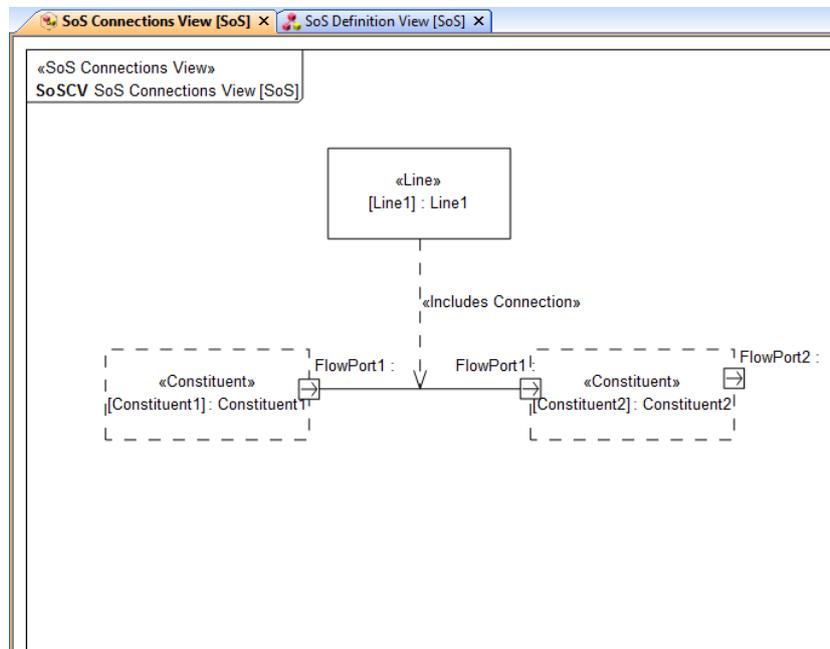


Figure 13: The *SoS Connections View* with the *Includes Connection* dependency added

elements. Such properties are stored in tags of the respective stereotypes. Tags are edited in a special stereotype tab of the view element properties. The label of the tab is the same as the name of the stereotype, e.g. “Constituent” for a *Constituent* model element.

As an example, the steps below show how to edit the *Unavailability formula* tag of a *Basic Event*:

1. Click on the view element and open up the properties window in the usual way (Alt+Enter or right click → Properties), then select the *Basic Event* tab as shown in Figure 14

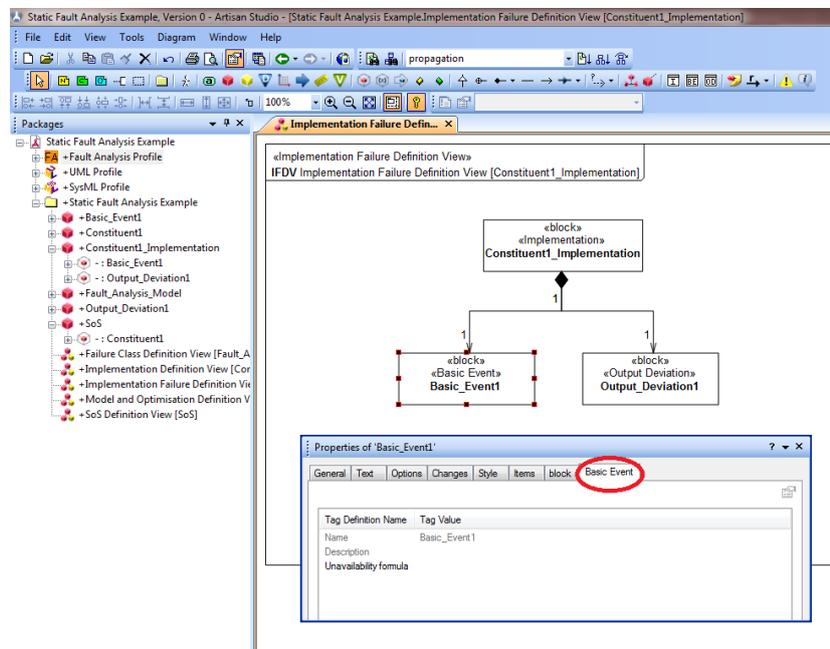


Figure 14: Click on the *Basic Event* tab in the properties window

2. Click on the “Tag Value” cell for the *Unavailability formula* tag and type in a valid *Unavailability formula* as shown in Figure 15

There are various different types of tags, each is edited in a slightly different way: i) *Text* or *Rich Text* tags are edited as shown above; ii) for *Boolean* and *Enumeration* tags a drop down list selection appears when you click on the “Tag Value” cell, from which you can click on the alternative you require and; iii) for *Reference* tags a pop-up window appears that allows you to navigate the valid model elements and select the one you require.

The purpose of each tag is given in the textual description of it within Artisan Stu-

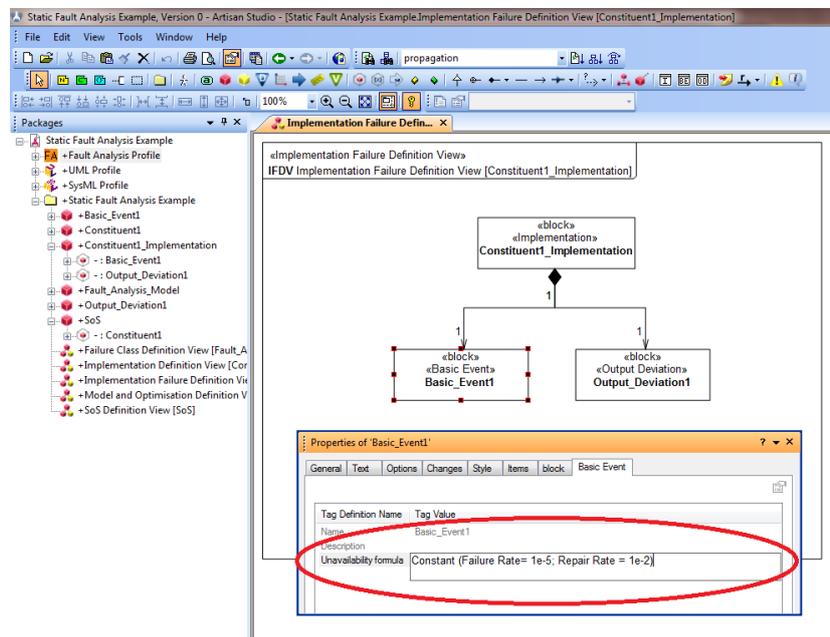


Figure 15: Enter a valid *Unavailability formula*

dio. To find the description of a given tag navigate to the “Stereotypes” package of the Fault Analysis Profile and select the tag of interest. Bring up the properties menu in the usual way and select the “Text” tab. Ensure that the drop down box at the top of the tab is set to “Description” and you will find a description of the tag of interest. This is shown for the *Failure class* tag as an example in Figure 16. Any formatting restrictions on the data entered into the tag is also given here.

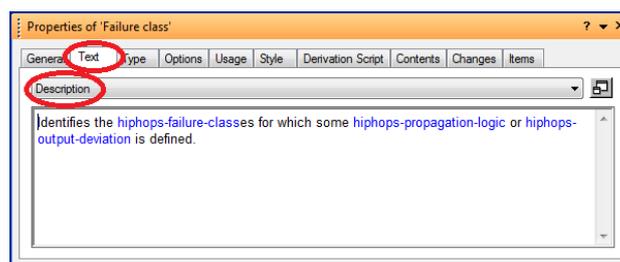


Figure 16: Tag information for the *Failure class* tag

Some tags are optional, but others must be given a value. There are also some model-level constraints that must be adhered to before a *Fault Analysis Model* can be analysed. The required tag values and the additional constraints are given in Appendix A.

2.2.8 Model construction features to be implemented

Whilst a lot of support has been currently implemented to assist in the creation of a *Fault Analysis Model* in Artisan Studio for the purposes of fault analysis, there are a number of features that are either still to be implemented or where the implementation could be improved.

The main areas for improving model creation support are identified below:

- The support for creating the *SoS Connections View* and the *Implementation Connections View* could be improved in several ways. Based on the assumption that the populate button would be the default mechanism for adding view elements to a *SoS Connections View* or a *Implementation Connections View*, custom toolbars have not currently been implemented for these views. Custom toolbars could be added to the *SoS Connections View* and the *Implementation Connections View* in future if there is sufficient demand for it. It would also be useful to implement a custom populate button for the *SoS Connections View* and the *Implementation Connections View* that would add the relevant stereotypes to the populated model elements and apply the relevant stereotype style. Finally, it is desirable to have some derived tags for the parts of the *SoS Connections View* and the *Implementation Connections View* that show the values entered into the tags of the owning block. Note that stereotypes and tags are transferred across from a block to its parts by default.
- When a stereotype is the subject of a reference tag Artisan Studio does not allow the user to navigate the package structure to find the model element that is required. This is particularly frustrating for *Flow Ports* as there are usually many of these in a *Fault Analysis Model* and often these port names are reused for many different components. In future we would like to improve the input mechanism for reference tags to enable browsing by package.
- A further improvement would be to implement scripting that removes the need to define *Lines* explicitly for simple cases.
- Some error checking features still need to be implemented, namely ensuring that valid identifiers and descriptions are given for *Ports* and that only valid *Failure Classes* can be defined in the *Failure class* tag (as defined in the *Failure Class Definition View* of the *Fault Analysis Model*).

2.3 Performing Static Fault Analysis

2.3.1 Linking the Fault Analysis Tool to Artisan Studio

To perform the static fault analysis, the Fault Analysis Tool must be linked to Artisan Studio:

1. Open Artisan Studio, and a model with the Static Fault Analysis Profile applied.
2. Click on “Tools” in the menu bar and select “Customize”
3. Click the button indicated in Figure 17 to include a new tool

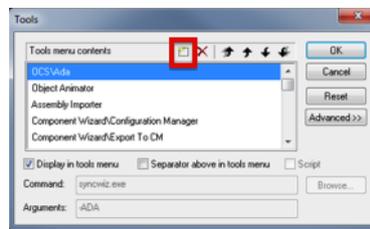


Figure 17: Tools dialog with the button to include a new tool highlighted.

4. Supply a name – for example “Fault Analysis”.
5. To link to the tool, click the “Browse...” button and navigate to the SysML-toHiPHOPS.exe which is supplied in the Fault Analysis Profile folder (typically located in C:\Program Files x86\Atego\Artisan Studio\System\Profiles\Fault Analysis Profile\, depending on the location of the Artisan Studio program folder).
6. Click the “Advanced” button. This adds a menu option to use the tool on the tools menu of selected model elements. From the left hand Dictionary Items menu, select “Class”. This setup is shown in Figure 18.
7. Click “Ok”

2.3.2 Using the Fault Analysis Tool

Once a *Fault Analysis Model* has been defined, analysis may be performed.

1. Open Artisan Studio, and a model with the Static Fault Analysis Profile applied.

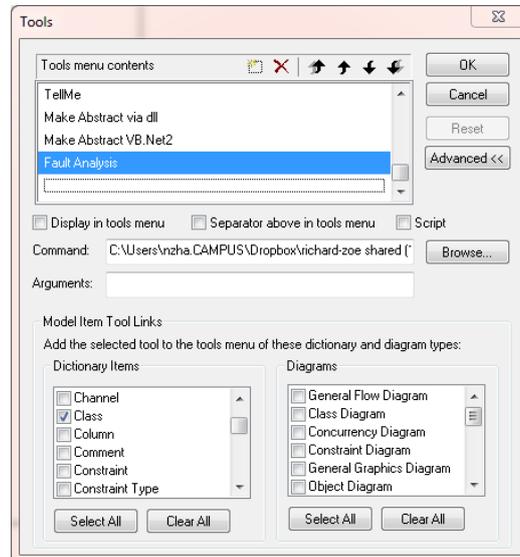


Figure 18: “New Tool” advanced options showing the model/dictionary elements on which the tool may be executed.

2. Select the *Fault Analysis Model* (either on the *Model and Optimisation Definition View*, or in the model explorer).
3. Right click and select “Tools” → “Fault Analysis” (this may differ depending on the name supplied when setting up the tool), as shown in Figure 19.

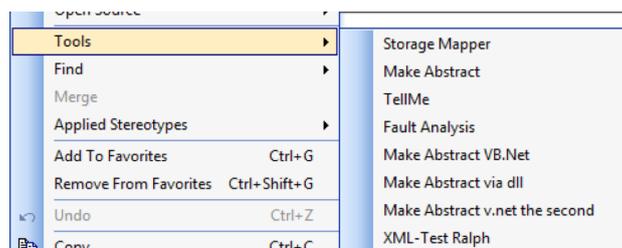


Figure 19: Context menu for *Fault Analysis Model* with Fault Analysis tool option.

4. The Fault Analysis tool will open. Select a destination to which results will be saved (“Choose Folder”), get the SysML model to be analysed (the tool may take a little time to ensure the correct SysML model element is selected – it *must* be a Fault Analysis Model element), and then generate the XML file for use with HiP-HOPS. The tool will perform error checking during this process and will warn if there are problems with the model.

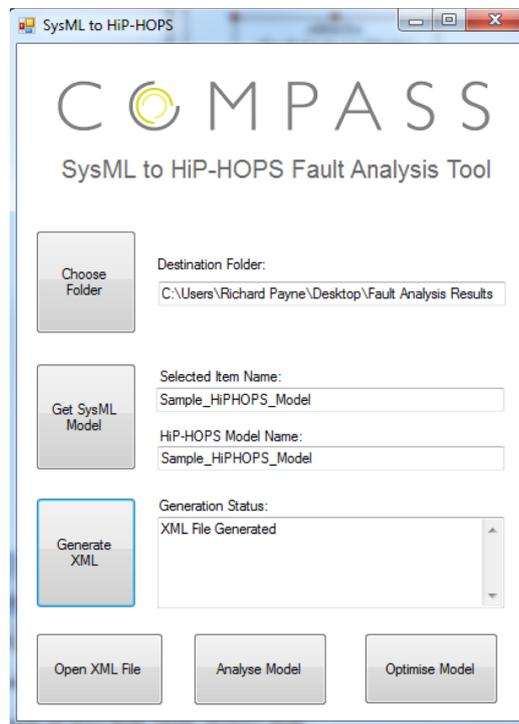


Figure 20: Fault Analysis tool with successful XML generation.

5. Finally the model may be analysed and optimised. Click the corresponding button. The tool will ask for the location of the HiP-HOPS tool as in Figure 21.
6. Upon completion, the HiP-HOPS program will save results in the location defined above, and open the results file in Internet Explorer. A typical results screen is shown in Figure 22.

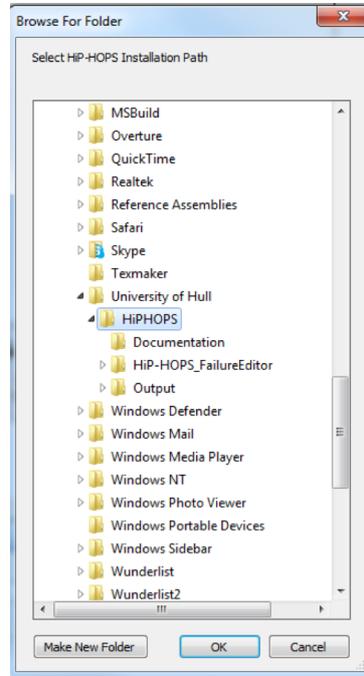


Figure 21: Providing the Fault Analysis tool with location of HiP-HOPS program.

Fault Trees	Unavailability (ascending / descending)	Cut Sets	
		Total	Order
Omission-StandbyRecovery.Out	0.0295545	3	3

Figure 22: HiP-HOPS program results.

3 Fault Tolerance Symphony Plugin

In this section we present instructions for running the plugin via small examples. Section 3.1 shows small CML models extracted and modified from Insiel's Emergency Response System (ERS) case study. Section 3.2 shows how to run the Fault Tolerance Plugin.

The Fault Tolerance Plugin works together with the CML model-checker, both available within the Symphony tool platform. For instructions on how to download Symphony, refer to [CMC⁺14].

In D24.2, we extended the SysML-to-CML mapping rules to allow the verification of fault-tolerance in a SysML model. If these mapping rules are not used, the CML model to be verified must be annotated manually with faults, errors and failures – as is done in the examples in Section 3.1.

When annotating a CML model, several definitions must be provided. The plugin is able to create some automatically, but the following chansets must be defined:

- E** The set of unwanted events: faults, errors and failures.
- F** The set of faults. This chanset is used to define the limiting conditions. The system is fault-tolerant with respect to the occurrence of faults. Errors and failures, if they occur, will cause a system failure (on the model).
- H** The set of events that should be hidden. These events are those related to the recovery mechanisms activation and its internal actions.
- Alpha** `<name-of-the-system-process>` The alphabet of the process. It does not include the faults, errors and failures.

In some cases the plugin tries to provide missing definitions, as outlined in Table 4.

3.1 Fault Tolerance Verification Plugin Example

This section provides small examples to illustrate four key cases of verifying fault tolerance. The examples were extracted from ERS case study and are summarised as follows:

FFT Full Fault Tolerance.

LFT Limited Fault Tolerance.

Table 4: Cases where the plugin tries to provide missing items.

If not provided	Tries to create it with
E	Channels F, error and failure.
F	Channel fault.
H	Chansets <code>ErrorDetectionChannels</code> , <code>RecoveryChannels</code> and <code>OperationChannels</code> .
ChaosE	CSP's definition of chaos (see [Ros10]).
Limit_<system>	Limit process definition for the process <code>system</code> .
Nofault_<system>	The "no fault" version of <code>system</code> (see [APR ⁺ 13]).
Lazy_<system>	Lazy definition of <code>system</code> (see [APR ⁺ 13]).
LazyLimit_<system>	Lazy definition of <code>system</code> in parallel with the limit process (see [APR ⁺ 13]).

NFT No Fault Tolerance.

DL The system is deadlocked.

All examples we show use the definitions listed in Listing 1.

Listing 1: Basic definitions

```
channels
  sendRescueInfoToEru, processMessage,
  receiveMessage, serviceRescue, startRecovery1,
  endRecovery1, logFault1, resendRescueInfoToEru
  fault1, error1, failure1

chansets
  E = {| fault1, error1, failure1 |}
  F = {| fault1 |}
  H = {| startRecovery1, endRecovery1, logFault1,
        resendRescueInfoToEru |}
  Alpha = {| sendRescueInfoToEru, processMessage,
             receiveMessage, serviceRescue,
             startRecovery1, endRecovery1,
             logFault1, resendRescueInfoToEru |}
  Alpha_LFTSimple = Alpha
  Alpha_NFTSimple = Alpha
  Alpha_DLSimple = Alpha
  Alpha_FFTSimple = Alpha
```

3.1.1 Example FFT

The CML model of a system that is fully fault-tolerant is shown in Listing 2². Note that no failure occurs in this system model; only `fault1` occurs, but it is always handled.

Listing 2: Full Fault Tolerance example

```

process FFTSimple =
begin
  actions
    NOMINAL_FFTSimple = sendRescueInfoToEru ->
      ((processMessage -> RECEIVE_FFTSimple) [] FAULT_FFTSimple)
    RECEIVE_FFTSimple =
      receiveMessage -> serviceRescue -> NOMINAL_FFTSimple
    FAULT_FFTSimple = fault1 -> RECOVERY_FFTSimple
    RECOVERY_FFTSimple =
      startRecovery1 -> logFault1 -> resendRescueInfoToEru ->
      processMessage -> receiveMessage -> endRecovery1 ->
      serviceRescue -> NOMINAL_FFTSimple
  @ NOMINAL_FFTSimple
end

```

The verification of this example raises a warning on the tool, as the model does not include any failures. It is recommended that possible failures are modelled – even in the case of fully fault-tolerant systems.

3.1.2 Example LFT

The system shown in Listing 3 is not fault-tolerant in general, but it is with regard to a set of limiting conditions representing foreseen faults. Note that the system model includes errors and failures, which are not handled by the defined recovery mechanisms. It represents a real system where detected faults are handled, but for those faults the system is unable to detect, a failure will occur.

Listing 3: Limited Fault Tolerance example

```

process LFTSimple =
begin
  actions
    NOMINAL_LFTSimple = sendRescueInfoToEru ->
      ((processMessage -> RECEIVE_LFTSimple) [] FAULT_LFTSimple)
    RECEIVE_LFTSimple =

```

² Note: we acknowledge that no *real* system is fully fault-tolerant in general because there is always a non-zero probability of a failure occurring.

```

    receiveMessage -> serviceRescue -> NOMINAL_LFTSimple
FAULT_LFTSimple = fault1 ->
    (RECOVERY_LFTSimple [] (error1 -> failure1 -> Skip))
RECOVERY_LFTSimple =
    startRecovery1 -> logFault1 -> resendRescueInfoToEru ->
    processMessage -> receiveMessage -> endRecovery1 ->
    serviceRescue -> NOMINAL_LFTSimple
@ NOMINAL_LFTSimple
end

```

3.1.3 Example NFT

Listing 4 shows a system that is not fault-tolerant, even when considering the limiting conditions. Note that the recovery mechanism does not provide the same actions that the nominal behaviour provides.

Listing 4: Not Fault Tolerance example

```

process NFTSimple =
begin
    actions
        NOMINAL_NFTSimple = sendRescueInfoToEru ->
            ((processMessage -> RECEIVE_NFTSimple) [] FAULT_NFTSimple)
        RECEIVE_NFTSimple =
            receiveMessage -> serviceRescue -> NOMINAL_NFTSimple
        FAULT_NFTSimple = fault1 ->
            (RECOVERY_NFTSimple [] (error1 -> failure1 -> Skip))
        RECOVERY_NFTSimple =
            startRecovery1 -> endRecovery1 ->
            serviceRescue -> NOMINAL_NFTSimple
    @ NOMINAL_NFTSimple
end

```

3.1.4 Example DL

The current version of the Fault Tolerance Plugin is unable to check fault tolerance on systems that are deadlocked. Listing 5 shows this example. The difference to a non-deadlocked system can be subtle (comparing Listing 5 to Listing 3, both instances of **stop** replace a recursive call to `NOMINAL_DLSimple`).

Listing 5: Deadlocked system example

```

process DLSimple =
begin

```

```

actions
  NOMINAL_DLSimple = sendRescueInfoToEru ->
    ((processMessage -> RECEIVE_DLSimple) [] FAULT_DLSimple)
  RECEIVE_DLSimple = receiveMessage -> serviceRescue -> Stop
  FAULT_DLSimple = fault1 ->
    (RECOVERY_DLSimple [] (error1 -> failure1 -> Skip))
  RECOVERY_DLSimple =
    startRecovery1 -> logFault1 -> resendRescueInfoToEru ->
    processMessage -> receiveMessage -> endRecovery1 ->
    serviceRescue -> Stop
@ NOMINAL_DLSimple
end

```

3.2 Performing Fault Tolerance Verification

To verify a CML model with the Fault Tolerance Plugin, open the CML file in the Symphony tool platform, right click on the relevant top-level CML process (either on the project navigator (as shown in Figure 23) or on the CML model (shown in Figure 24)), select the “Fault Tolerance” menu item and click “Verify”.

If all required definitions are modelled (see Section 3.1), several operations will start running. The first two check the prerequisites explained in [APR⁺13]: (i) divergence-freedom and (ii) semifairness, and a third will check for deadlock-freedom. If these prerequisites are met, then two further operations are started: one to check if the CML process is fully fault-tolerant and another if the process is fault-tolerant with respect to the limiting conditions (if not limiting conditions are defined, the default considers that the model is able to tolerate all faults). All operations use Symphony’s model-checker tool and can be cancelled while they are running or before they run.

The possible messages for errors, warnings and successes are shown as markers beside the top-level CML process, as shown in Fig. 24 (A), and are described in Table 5. The elements in square brackets ([]) are replaced by actual values. For example, replace [property] with “Semifairness” and [system] with the process “P”. Fault Tolerance Plugin messages are also shown in the Markers pane. If this view is not shown, select the menu “Window” → “Show View” → “Other...”, then select “General”/“Markers”.

To clear any resultant fault tolerance messages, right-click on the relevant CML process or the message itself on the Markers view (see Figure 25) and select “Clear fault-tolerant markers”.

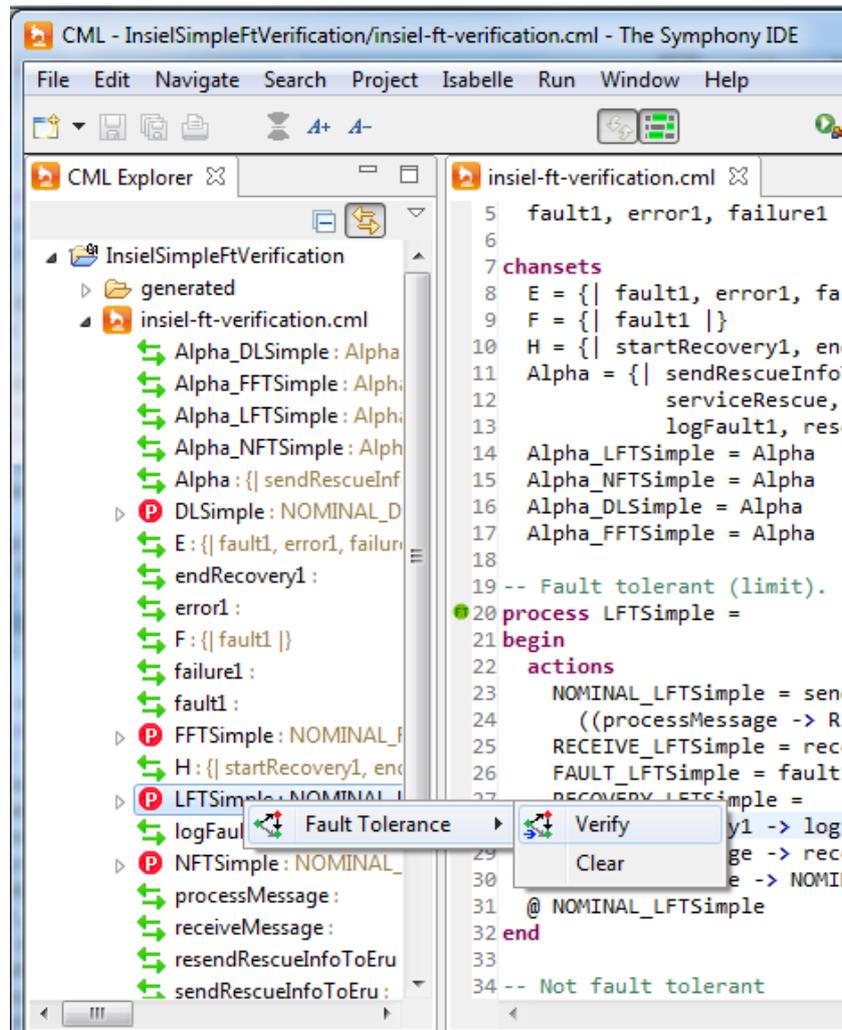


Figure 23: Fault tolerance verification menu on the project navigator

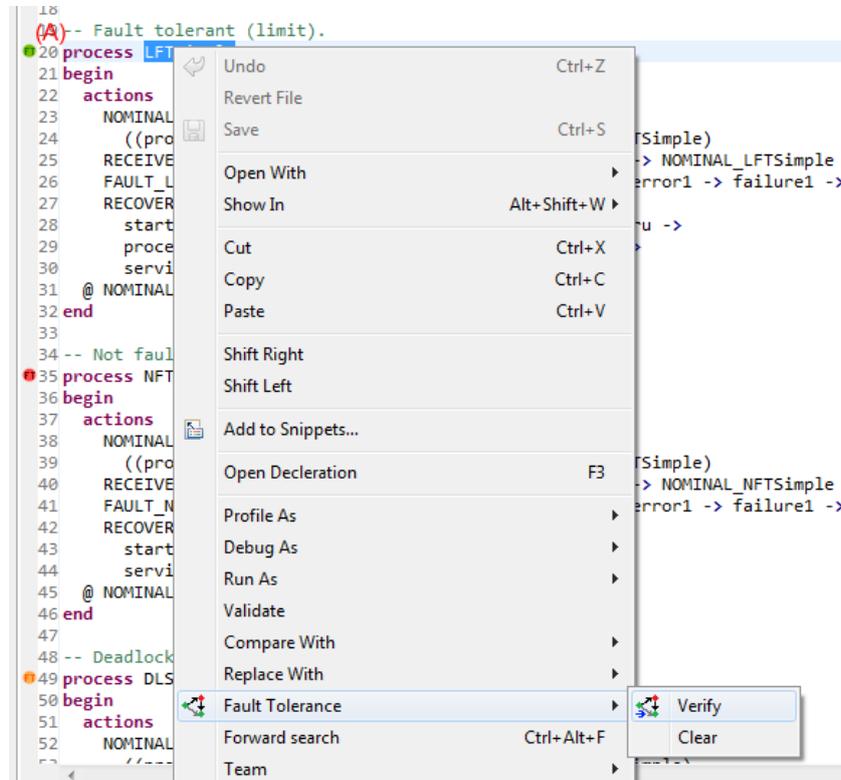


Figure 24: Fault tolerance verification menu on the CML model

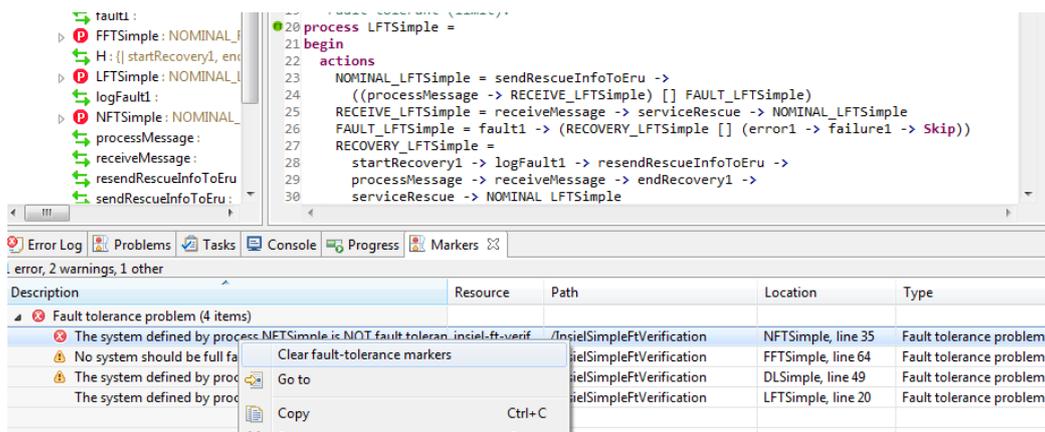


Figure 25: Clear fault tolerance verification messages on the Markers view

Table 5: Messages of fault-tolerance verification plugin

Description	Icon	Message
Missing definition		“To run fault-tolerance verification check: {channels, chansets, processes, namesets}”. The tool will show only those missing.
Exception occurred		“Unable to verify fault-tolerance property [property] for process [system] due to an internal error: ”[exception message]”.
Canceled by user		“The verification of fault-tolerance property [property] for process [system] was canceled by user.”
Deadlock		“The system defined by process [system] is NOT deadlock-free. The current version of the model-checker won’t enable verification of fault-tolerance of deadlocked systems.”
Not divergence-free		“The system defined by process [system] is NOT divergence-free. Total elapsed time: [time elapsed].”
Not semifair		“The system defined by process [system] is NOT semifair. Total elapsed time: [time elapsed].”
Not semifair and not divergence-free		“The system defined by process [system] is NOT divergence-free, nor semifair. Total elapsed time: [time elapsed].”
Not limited fault tolerant		“The system defined by process [system] is NOT fault tolerant with the given limit ([limit process name]). Total elapsed time: [elapsed time].”
Full fault tolerant		“No system should be full fault tolerant. Check design of [system]. Total elapsed time: [time elapsed].”
Limited, but not full fault tolerant		“The system defined by process [system] is fault tolerant with the given limit ([limit process name]). Total elapsed time: [elapsed time].”

3.2.1 Known issues

The Fault Tolerance Plugin has been tested only with small examples (as those shown in Section 3.1) and may, therefore, contain bugs. The only known issue so far is on the first execution of the plugin when Symphony is started. The model-checker preparation phase returns an error when generating the Formula files for the CML model. Subsequent executions of the plugin should run normally.

4 Conclusions

This document has given an introduction to using the Static Fault Analysis tool to perform HiP-HOPS analysis of SysML models, and the fault tolerance plugin for Symphony. The document is not able to provide a thorough introduction to analysis using HiP-HOPS, therefore the interested reader should refer to [PWP⁺11] for further help and guidance. To use CML, readers should see [CMC⁺14].

The companion Deliverable D33.3b provides more technical insight into the development of the fault analysis support and fault tolerance plugins, and should be read in conjunction to this user manual for a greater understanding of the underlying technologies.

A Fault Analysis Model constraints

This section describes the constraints that a user must comply with to produce a valid model. All of these (with one exception) are enforced by the executable that generates a HiP-HOPS compatible model from the SysML model.

The constraints that apply at the model level are:

- there must be at least one *Output Deviation* where *SoS output* is set to *TRUE*
- each *Constituent* or *Component* must have exactly one *Implementation* with the *Current* tag set to *TRUE*
- the *Risk time* of a *Constituent* or a *Component* (if defined) must be lower than the *Risk time* of the *Fault Analysis Model*
- at most one *Optimisation Parameters* part may be defined for a *Fault Analysis Model*
- there must be at least one *Failure Class* defined in the *Failure Class Definition View* that is associated with the *Fault Analysis Model* (via the *Failure class definitions* tag)
- only *Failure Classes* defined in the *Failure Class Definition View* that is associated with the *Fault Analysis Model* (via the *Failure class definitions* tag) may be used where a *Failure Class* is required in the *Failure class* tag (not currently included in the error checking implemented by the tool) or as part of a *Port expression* or a *Failure expression*

The tags which may not be empty are:

- the *Target* of a given *Objective* – a default value is provided
- the *Goal* of a given *Objective* – a default value is provided
- the *Default propagation* of a given *Line* – a default value is provided
- the *SoS* (tag) of a given *Fault Analysis Model*
- the *Represents port* tag of a given *Line End*
- the *Port expression* of a given *Propagation Logic*
- the *Port* (tag) of a given *Output Deviation*
- the *Failure class* (tag) of a given *Output Deviation* (NB: this tag can be empty for *Propagation Logic*)
- the *Failure expression* of a given *Output Deviation*

All model element names must start with a letter or an underscore and can only contain digits, letters and underscores. Any invalid characters will be replaced by an underscore (not implemented for *Flow Ports*). In addition if a model element has a description, HiP-HOPS requires that this does not contain the characters '&', '>', '<' or any form of quotation marks. The Fault Analysis Tool therefore removes these characters by scripting and replaces them with their *XML-safe* equivalents (e.g. '&' for '&'). This substitution has not currently been implemented for *Flow Ports*.

Individual tags may have additional formatting constraints – these are described within the profile (see Section 2.2.7 for guidance on where to find these).

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