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NExt generation of high
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Phase 2

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SAFE architecture for
Robust distributed
Application Integration
in roLLing Stock 2

Final Event – Introduction of Test Case 1 “Remote Hardware-In-the-Loop”

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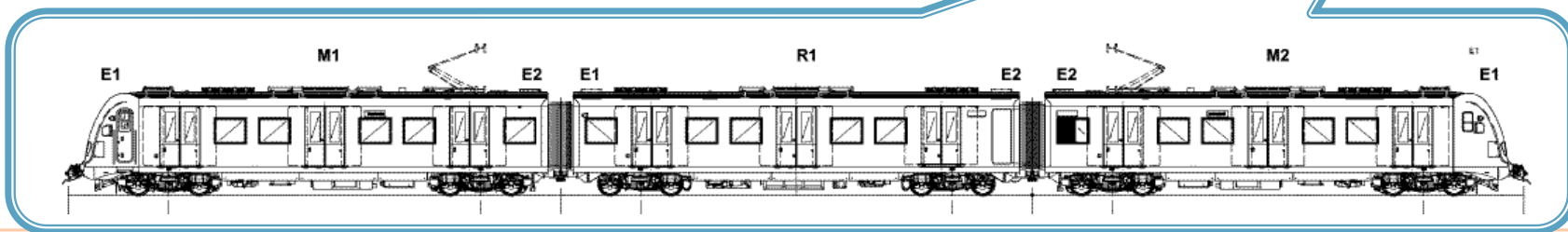
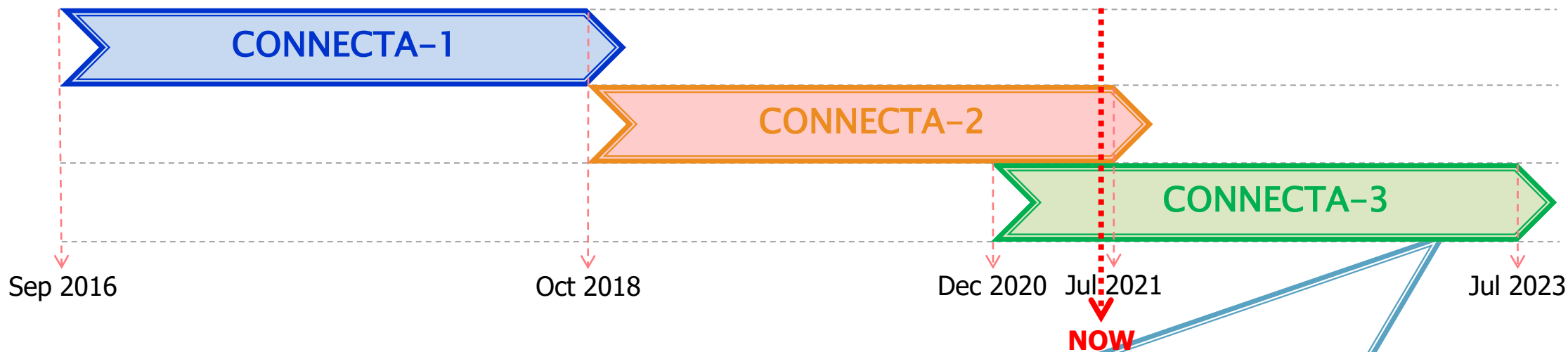
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Urban Demonstrator - Timeline

TECHNOLOGIES SPECIFICATION

LABORATORY DEMONSTRATOR

TRAIN ENVIRONMENT

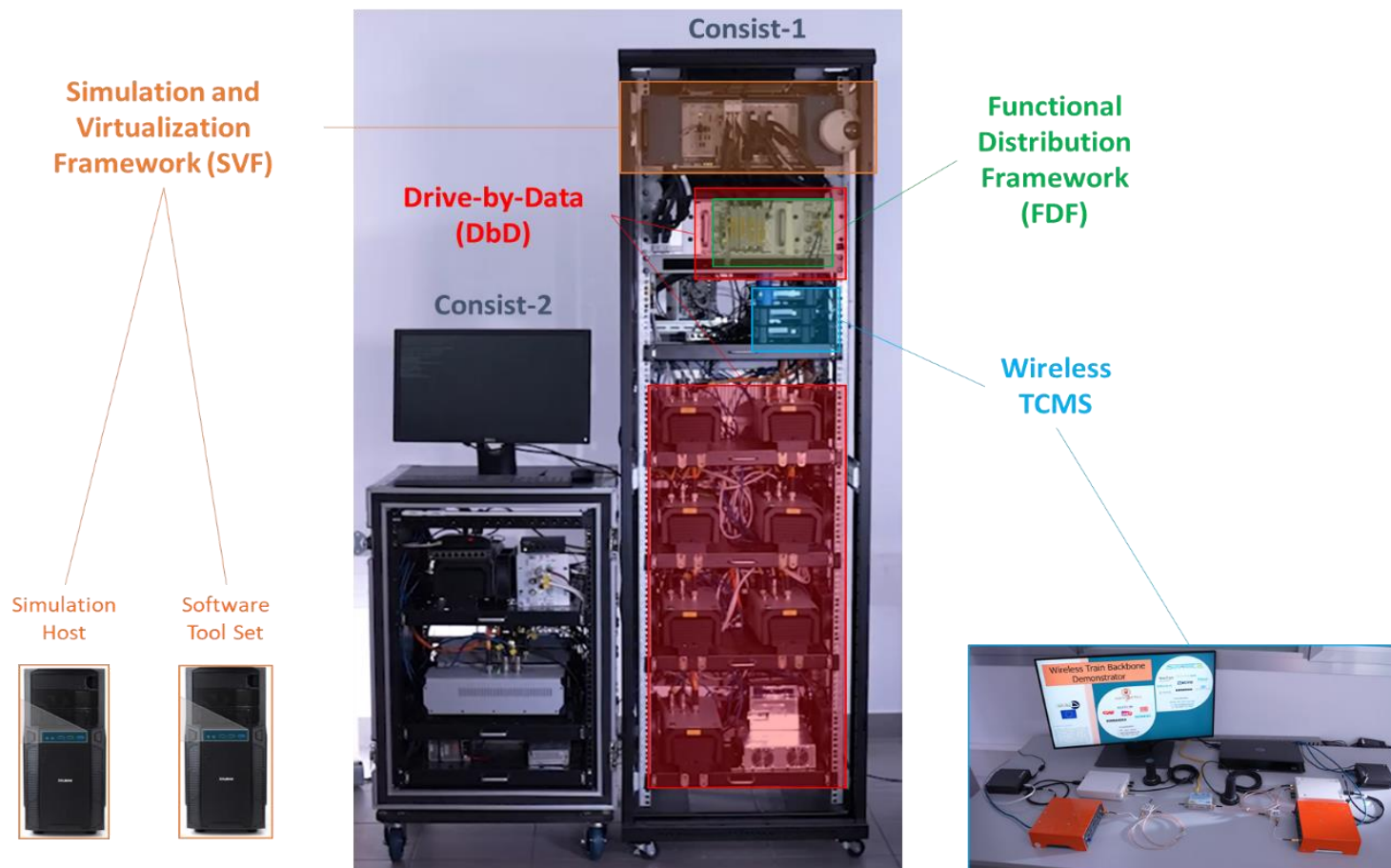


Urban Demonstrator - Overview

- Laboratory demonstrator for the **proof-of-concept demonstration of innovative technologies:**
 - ◆ Drive-by-Data
 - ◆ Functional Distribution Framework and Application Profiles
 - ◆ Simulation and Virtualization Framework
 - ◆ Wireless TCMS (WLTB and T2G)
- Composed of two coupled consists



Urban Demonstrator - Overview



Urban Demonstrator - Functional Architecture

- **Physical architecture:**

- ◆ Only the functional architecture related to **HVAC and BMS functionalities** shall run on top of **Functional Distribution Framework**:
 - Including TCMS logic and HVAC/BMS subsystem control logic
 - Functional interfaces between TCMS and HVAC/BMS subsystem: **Application Profiles**
- ◆ This logical architecture will be allocated to physical end devices at consist level

- **Simulated architecture:**

- ◆ The train control logic corresponding to the remaining subsystems will be simulated in the **Simulation and Virtualization Framework**

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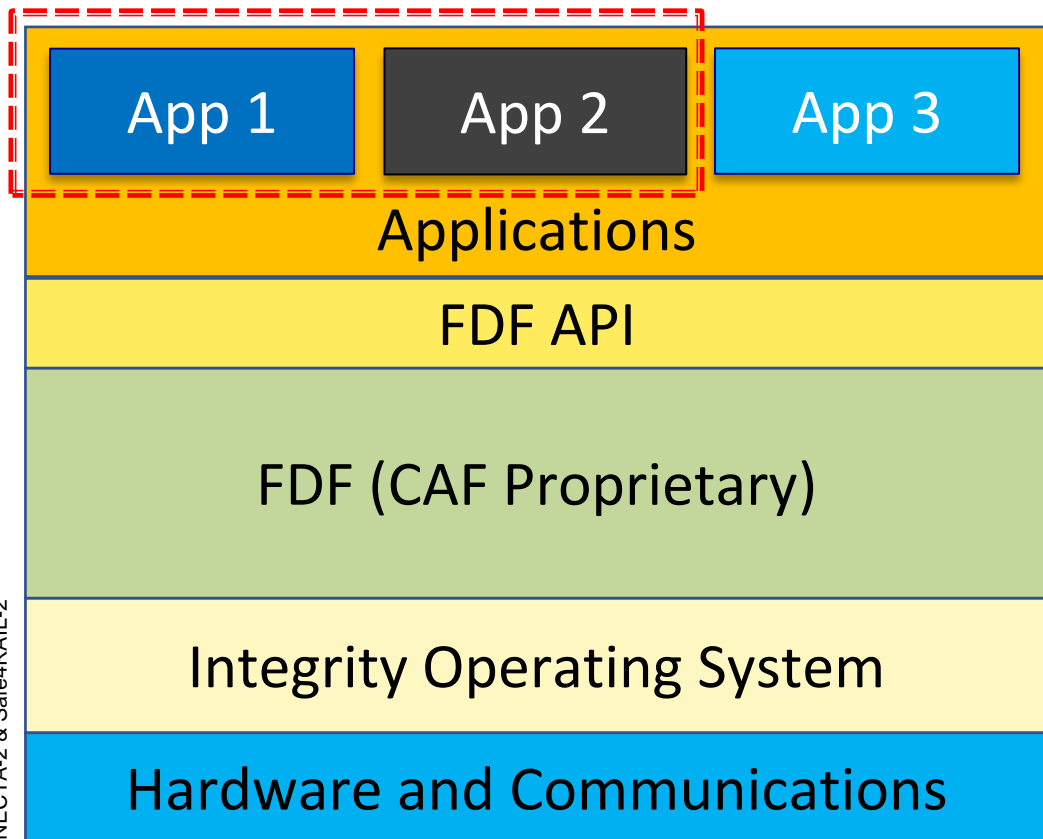
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Functional Distribution Framework (FDF)

- Framework with a **standardized API** for the development of **distributed applications** (HVAC control, Doors control, etc.), allowing their communication and execution in different CPUs
- Middleware which **abstracts applications** running on top of it **from the underlying hardware and communications**
- **Mixed-criticality** embedded platform capable of executing **multiple safety and non-safety applications** (in different Virtual Address Spaces)
- Ensures portable applications between different FDF implementations
- Facilitates the development process, software reuse and maintainability

Urban demonstrator: Integrity FDF



- GreenHills **Integrity** is a certified Real Time Operating System (RTOS) for critical applications
- **Signal-oriented communication** using **TRDP**
- Applications are independent from FDF implementation:
 - ◆ App 1 – Train control logic
 - ◆ App 2 – HVAC controller logic provided by third-parties (Liebherr supplier) as a static library
 - ◆ App 3 – Train-level (ETB) information exchange application

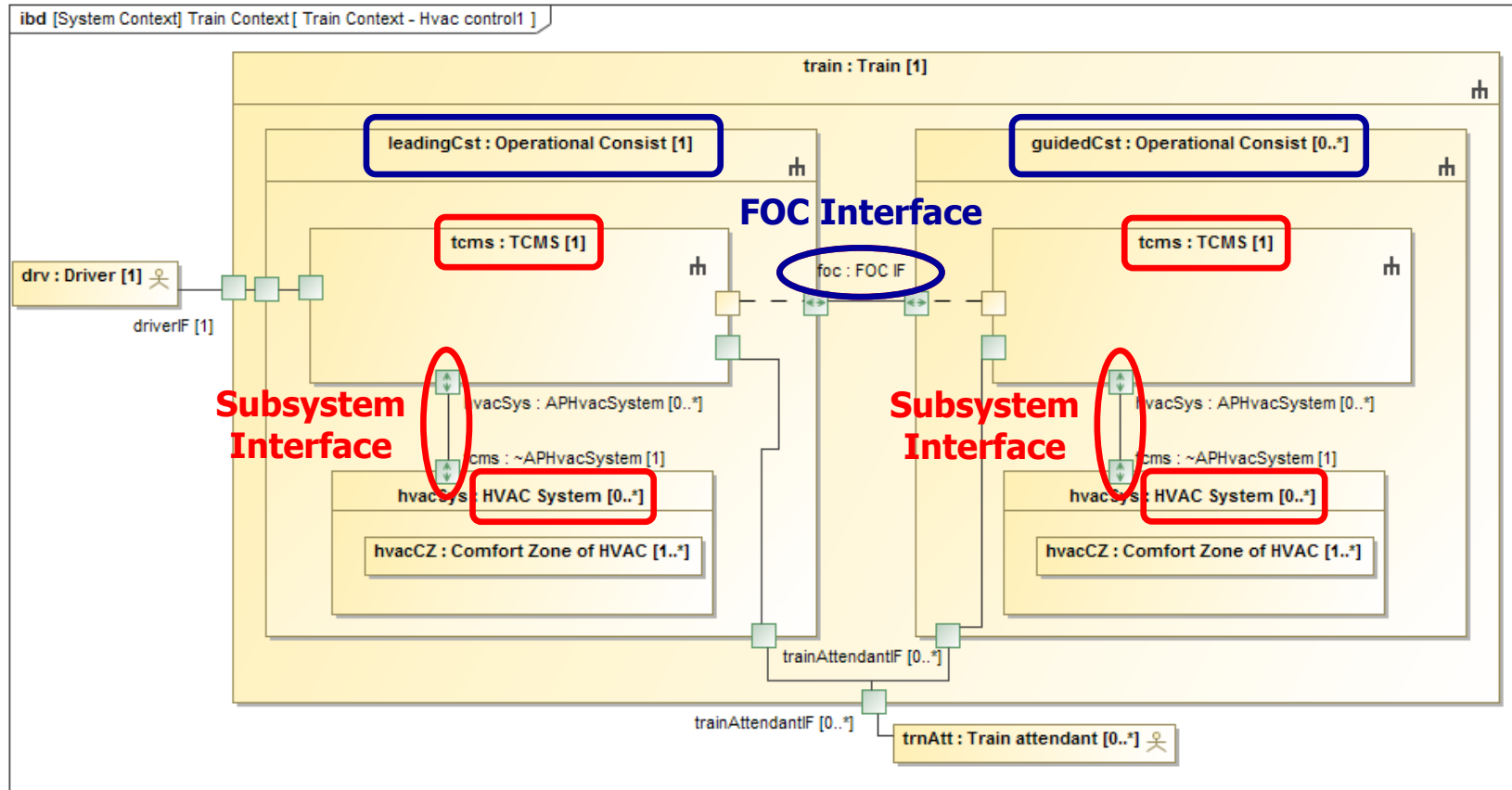
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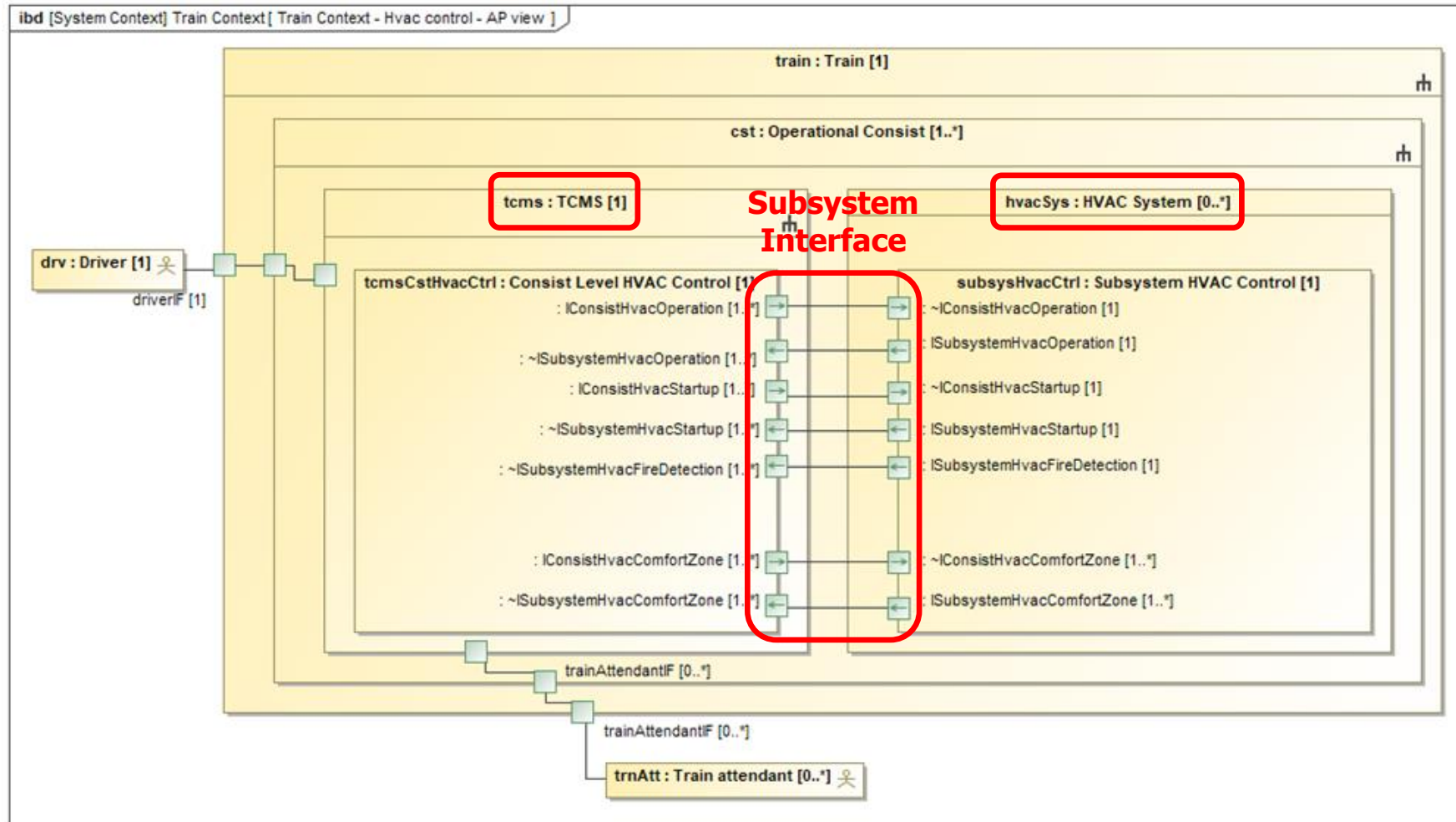
Application Profiles (AP)

- Specification of a **functional interface** between the TCMS and a subsystem:
 - ◆ Definition of **signals** to be exchanged between applications (**flow properties**)
 - ◆ TCMS can communicate with supplier subsystems in a **standardized** way
 - ◆ Founded on an analysis of which use cases have to be supported
 - ◆ Standardization process for the functionality of exemplary train subsystems (e.g. HVAC)
- Specification of **technical interface** of the functional interface:
 - ◆ Definition of data formats, cycle times, SIL level, etc.
- AP concept can be extended to describe information exchange at train level between consists (**FOC - Functional Open Coupling**)
- Due to standardization, less engineering is required for subsystems integration, leading to reduced costs, risks and integration time

Application Profile for HVAC



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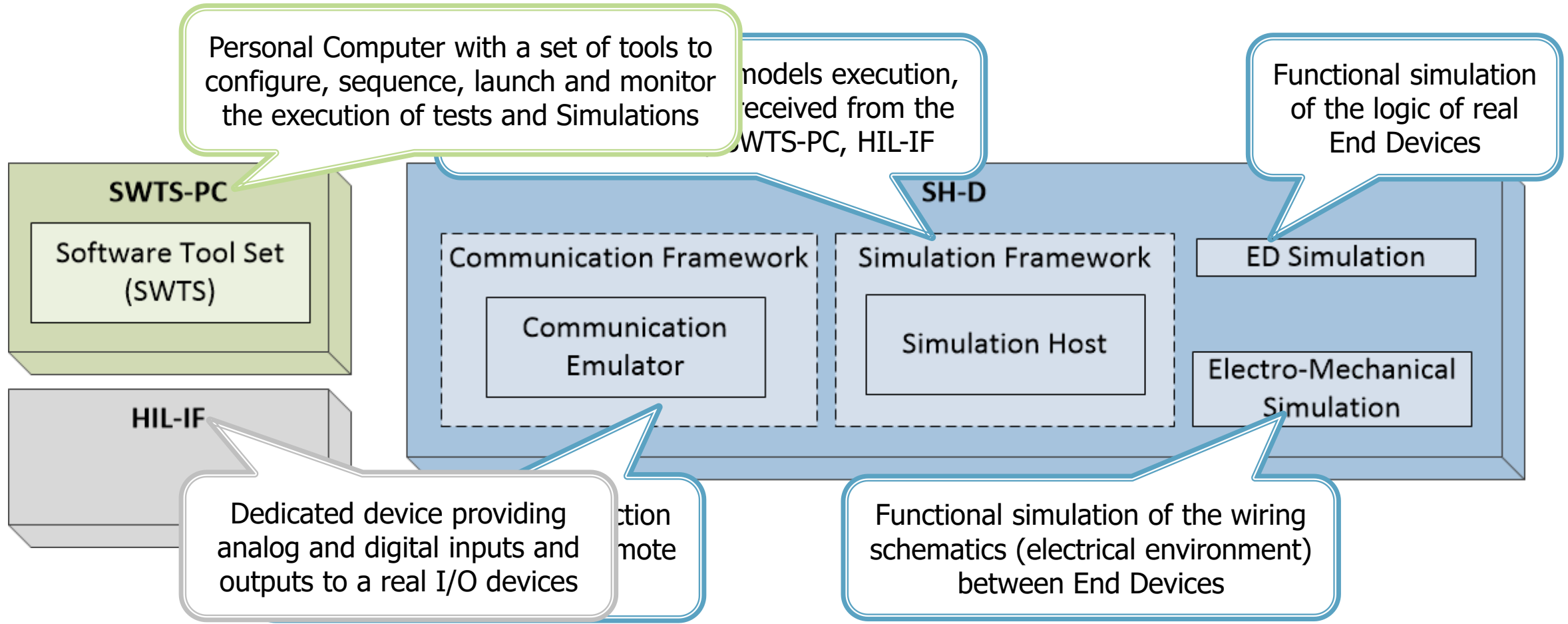
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Simulation and Virtualization Framework (SVF)

- Set of tools for Train Virtualization, Simulation and Communications Emulation
- Ability to test train applications and technologies without the need for real subsystems → Mix of real hardware and simulated train subsystems in a virtualized environment
- Allows remote and distributed testing, including **remote Hardware in-the-Loop (HIL)**
- Allows the execution of a large number of **fully automated and simulated tests** before costly and time-consuming real environment testing (*zero on-site testing*):
 - ◆ Reduction and anticipation of risks
 - ◆ Speeding-up of verification and validation activities

Simulation and Virtualization Framework (SVF)

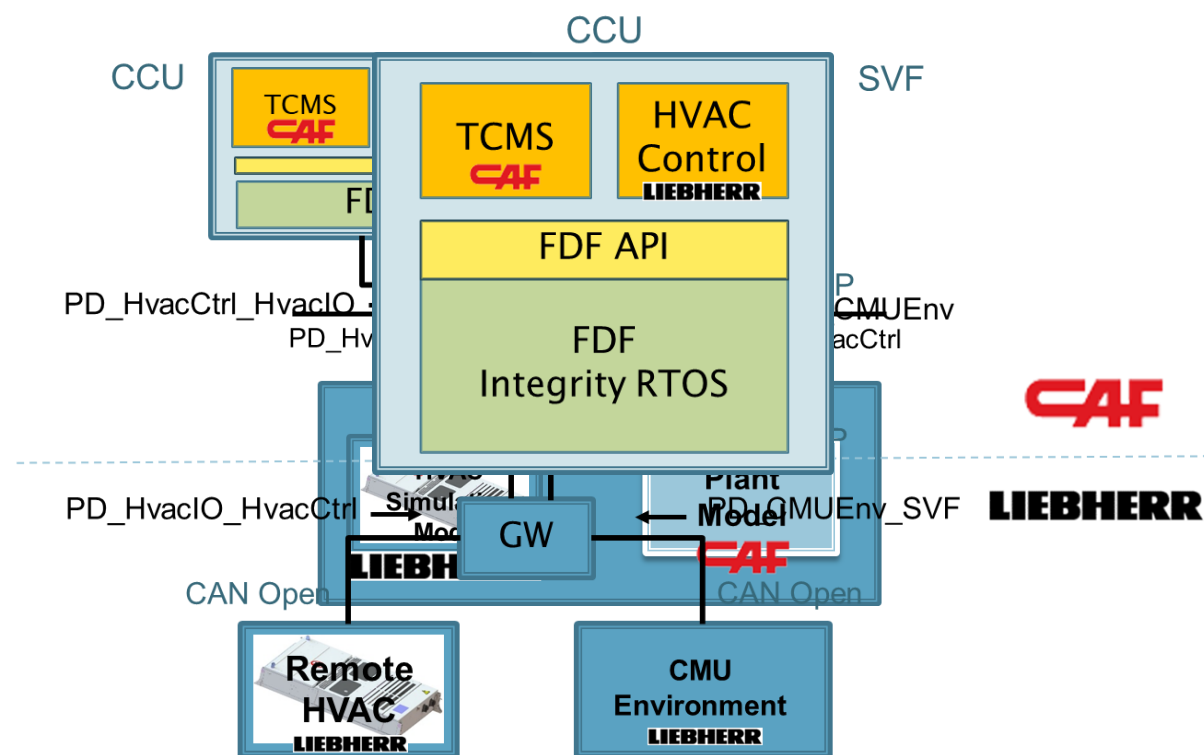
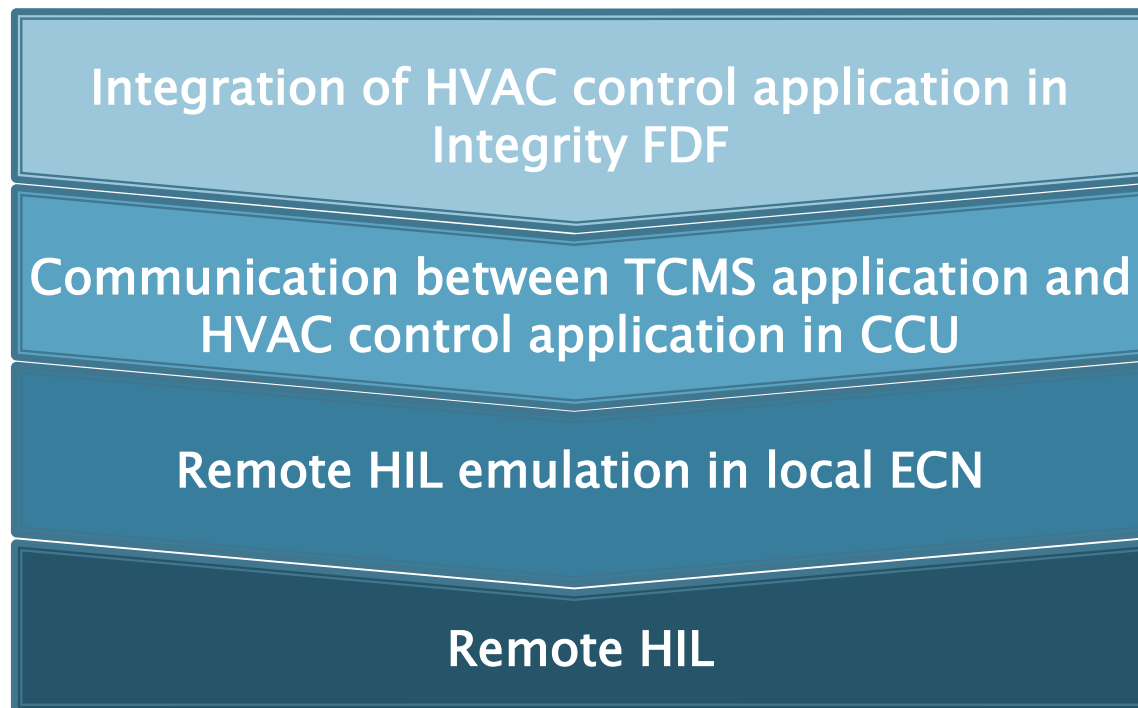


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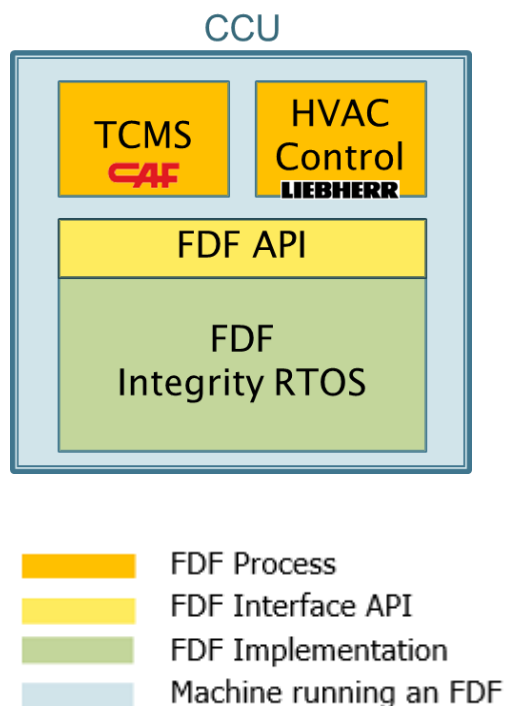
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Remote Hardware-in-the-Loop (HIL) - incremental steps



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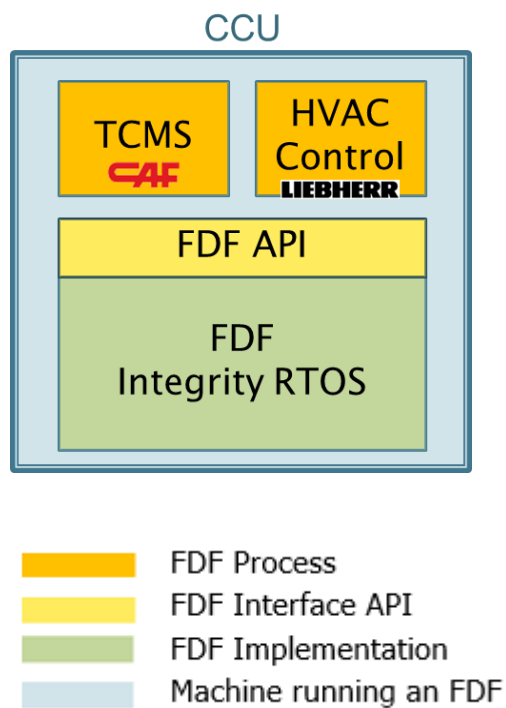
1) Integration of HVAC control application in Integrity FDF



- Development of application for controlling the remote physical HVAC unit (**HVAC control application**) by supplier:
 - ◆ Static library file provided by Liebherr
 - ◆ Application running on top of FDF, integrated by using standardized API
- Development of **TCMS application** by CAF for controlling this HVAC control application:
 - ◆ Application running on top of FDF, integrated by using standardized API
- Deployment of both applications on CAF's proprietary CCU:
 - ◆ A binary monolithic image is created

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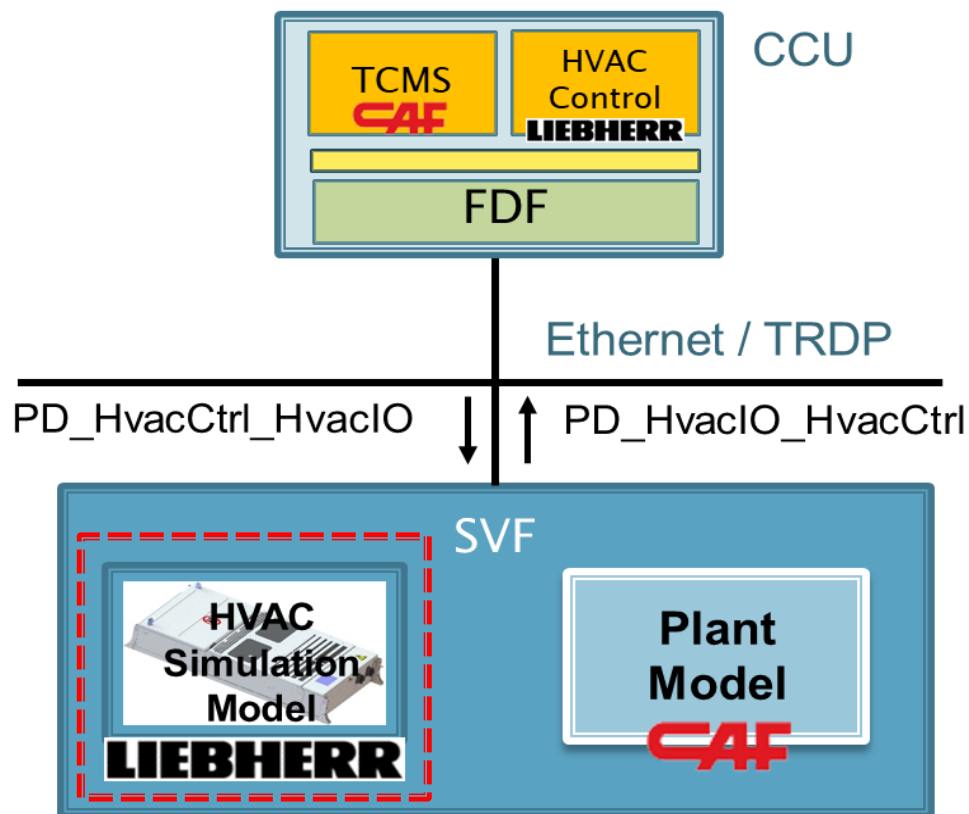
2) Communication between TCMS application and HVAC control application in CCU



- Both applications developed in compliance with the Application Profile for HVAC (functional and technical interfaces)
- Two main types of data:
 - ◆ Application Profile data structure to be exchanged between the TCMS application and the HVAC control application, through shared memory mechanisms offered by the FDF (using standardized API)
 - ◆ TRDP data structure to be exchanged between the HVAC control application and the remote physical HVAC unit, being the FDF responsible for packing (and unpacking) the data into TRDP messages

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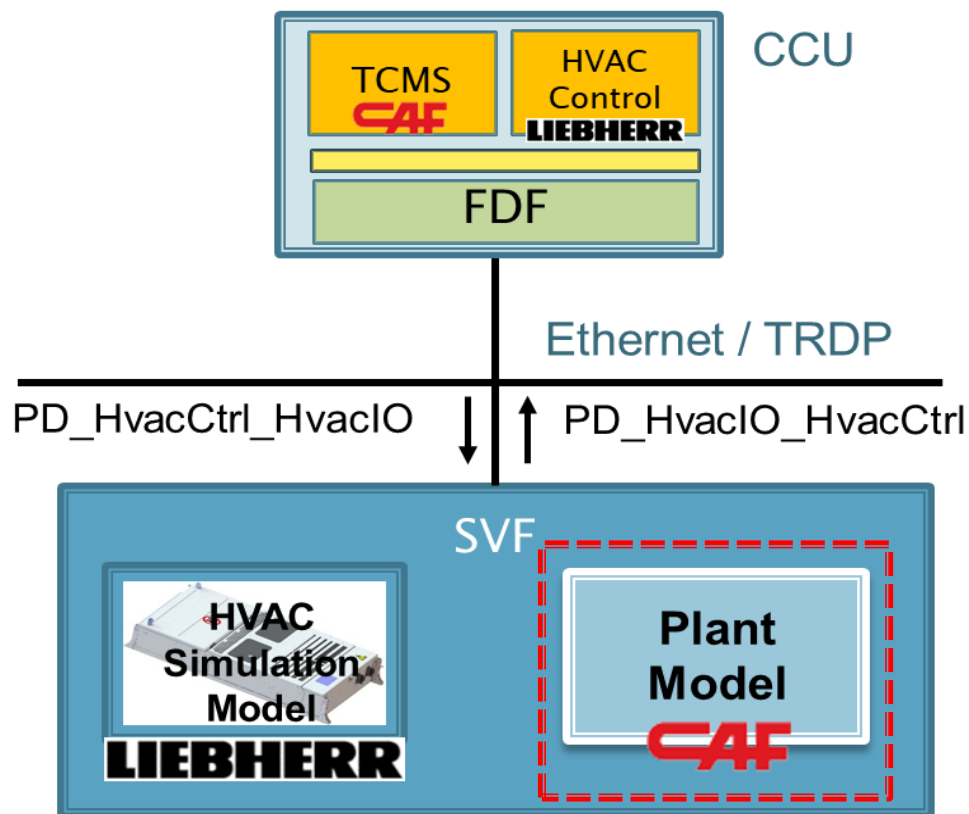
3) Remote HIL emulation in local ECN



- Preliminary stage to the remote HIL scenario
- Use of a **virtual/simulated HVAC (HVAC Simulation Model)** instead of the remote physical HVAC unit:
 - ◆ Provided by Liebherr as a **Functional Mock-up Unit (FMU)**, in accordance to the **Functional Mock-up Interface (FMI)**
 - ◆ Integrated in the SVF to validate HVAC function in a simulated environment before the remote physical HVAC device is connected
 - ◆ Useful to debug and test HVAC control application and its integration with TCMS

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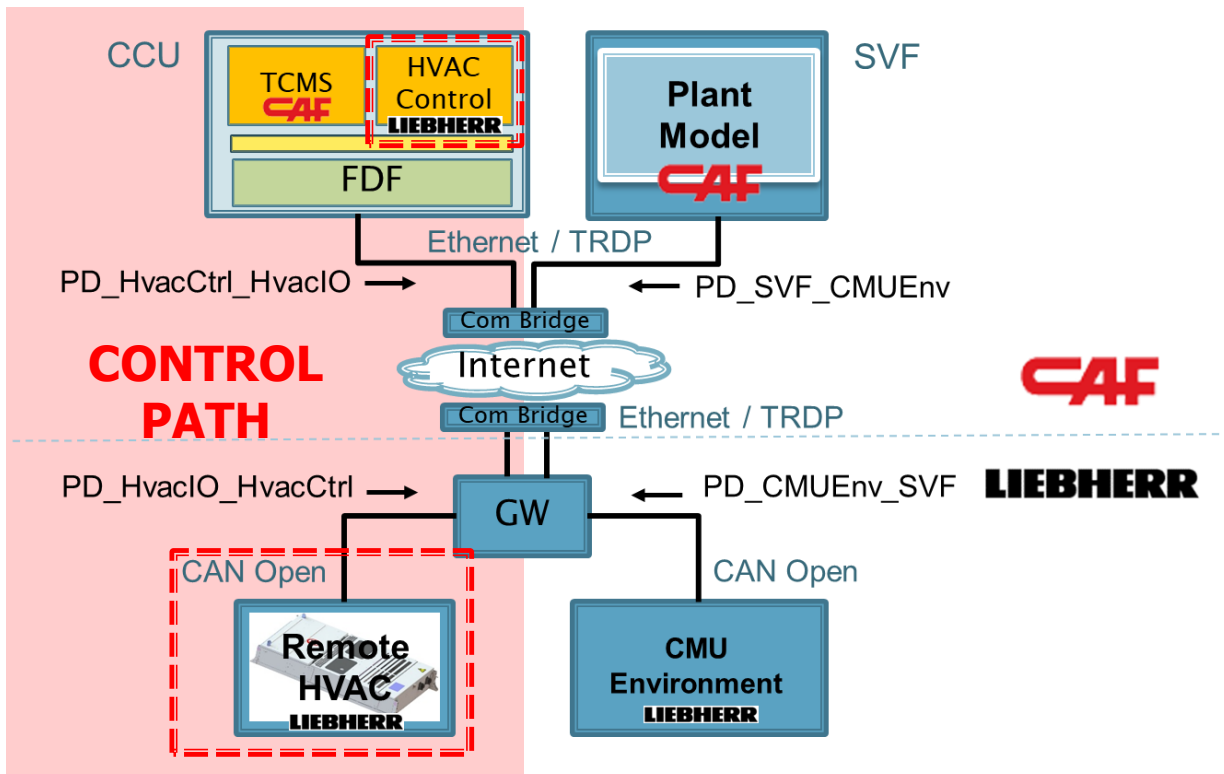
3) Remote HIL emulation in local ECN



- Development of a **Vehicle Thermal Loads Simulator (Plant Model):**
 - ♦ Integrated in the SVF to **simulate the thermal loads of the vehicle (sensible and latent loads corresponding to passengers), and the evolution of the internal temperature and humidity in the vehicle**
 - ♦ Based on the laws of thermodynamic and heat transfer
 - ♦ Interaction with the HVAC Simulation Model

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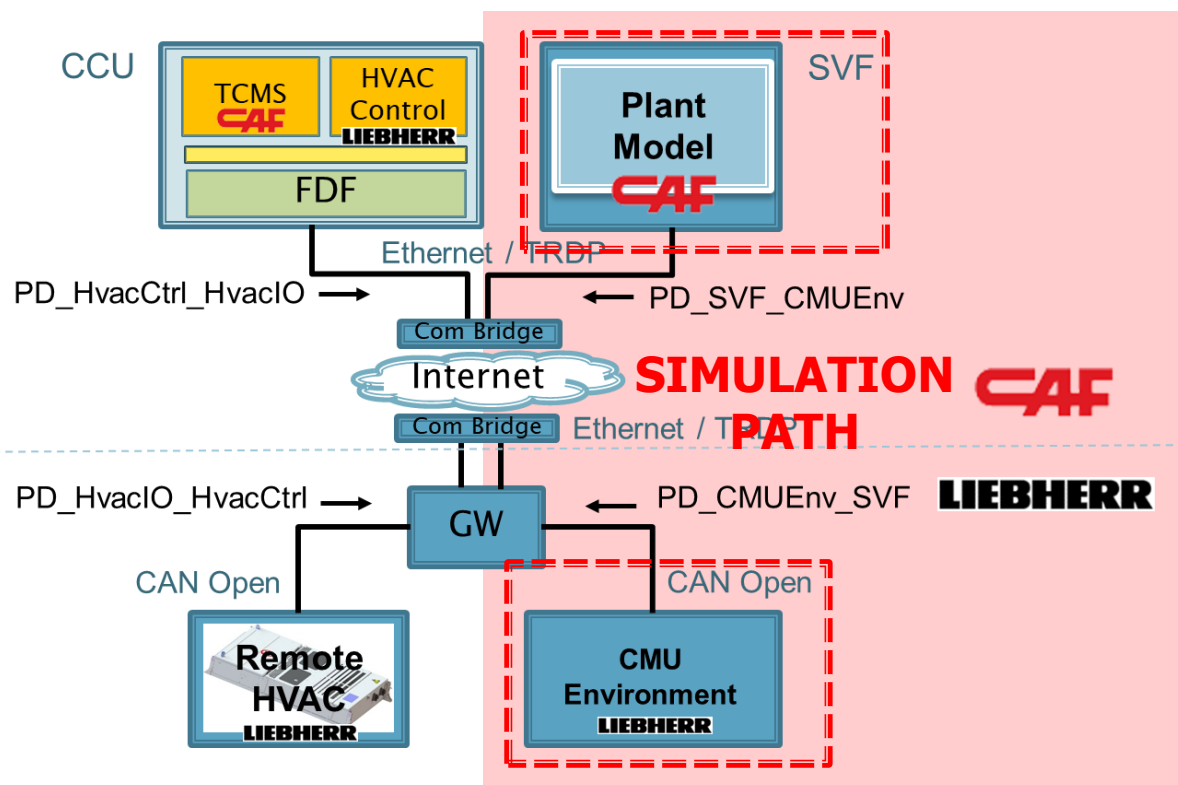
4) Remote HIL



- Use of the **remote physical HVAC unit** (Liebherr - Austria), which is **remotely monitored and commanded** by the HVAC control application (CAF - Spain):
 - ◆ Both physically connected through the Internet (by means of Communication Bridges)
 - ◆ Useful to test HVAC control application and its TCMS integration with the real HVAC equipment
 - ◆ HVAC system is located on top of a **Climate-Mock-Up (CMU)**

Test Case 1 description

4) Remote HIL



- Use of a **Climate-Mock-Up (CMU)** (Liebherr - Austria), whose environmental conditions are **remotely controlled and modified** by the SVF (Beasain - Spain):
 - ◆ Both physically connected through the Internet
 - ◆ The environmental parameters for the HVAC system located on top of the CMU are modified by means of a **Vehicle Thermal Loads Simulator (Plant Model)** running on the SVF, to simulate the thermal loads of the vehicle (sensible and latent loads corresponding to passengers)

Test Case 1 description

4) Remote HIL - Climate-Mock-Up (CMU)

- Climatic vehicle segment mock-up for **simulation of vehicle thermal loads**:
 - ◆ **Passenger sensible loads** for simulating occupation (heat)
 - ◆ **Passenger latent loads** for simulating humidity
- **Electrical heaters and humidifiers** remotely controlled by CAF's Plant Model (SVF)



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Test Case 1 Demo - Structure

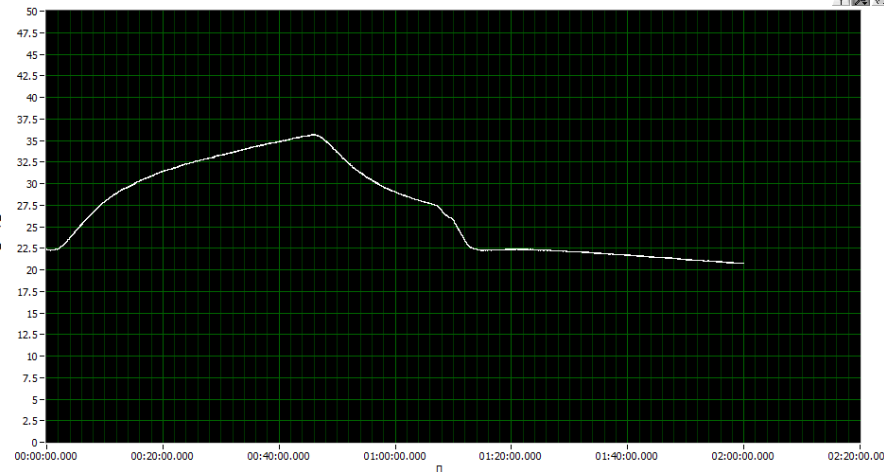
Live execution of a Test Case for testing remote HIL scenario:

- ◆ Use of a graphical user interface to validate and monitor the interaction between the plant model and the CMU
- ◆ Consideration of a complete virtual scenario (plant model and virtual HVAC running on the SVF)
- ◆ Plant model running on the SVF and interacting with the real CMU
- ◆ Show interaction between HVAC control application (CAF) and remote physical HVAC unit (Liebherr)
- ◆ Show interaction between plant model (CAF) and remote CMU (Liebherr)
- ◆ Prove that the remote connection (sending and reception) is working properly
- ◆ Display of images received from CMU webcams

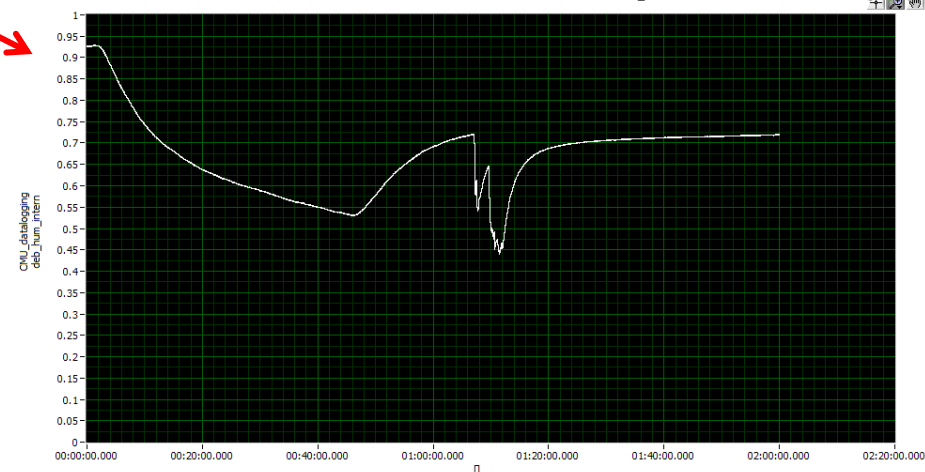
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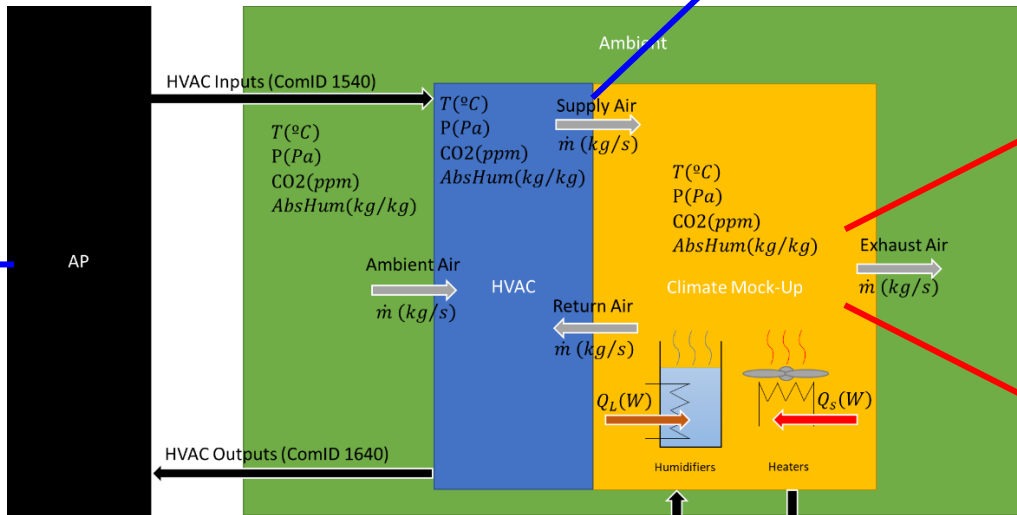
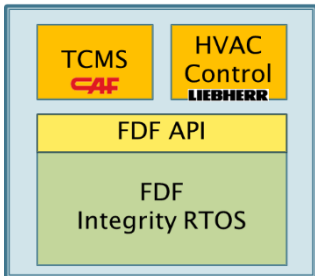
Internal Temperature



Internal Humidity



CCU - CAF



SVF - CAF

