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Foreword

86 The *System Memory Profile* (DSP1026) was prepared by the Server Management Working Group of the
87 DMTF.

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89 management and interoperability.

Introduction

91 This document defines the classes used to describe the system memory. Also included are descriptions
92 of association classes that describe the relationship of the system memory with the memory's physical
93 aspects (such as FRU data), with the managed system, and with DMTF profile version information.

94 The information in this specification is intended to be sufficient for a provider or consumer of this data to
95 identify unambiguously the classes, properties, methods, and values that shall be instantiated and
96 manipulated to represent the system memory of managed systems and subsystems that are modeled
97 using the DMTF Common Information Model (CIM) core and extended model definitions.

98 The target audience for this specification is implementers who are writing CIM-based providers or
99 consumers of management interfaces that represent the component described in this document.

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101 1 Scope

102 The *System Memory Profile* extends the management capabilities of referencing profiles by adding the
103 capability to represent the total memory available to the system. The memory's relationship with the
104 memory's physical aspects, the managed system that uses the memory, and the profile's registration for
105 the schema implementation version information are also described.

106 2 Normative References

107 The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated
108 references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced
109 document (including any amendments) applies.

110 2.1 Approved References

- 111 DMTF [DSP0200](#), *CIM Operations over HTTP 1.2.0*
- 112 DMTF [DSP0004](#), *CIM Infrastructure Specification 2.3.0*
- 113 DMTF [DSP1000](#), *Management Profile Specification Template*
- 114 DMTF [DSP1001](#), *Management Profile Specification Usage Guide*
- 115 DMTF DSP1011, *Physical Asset Profile*
- 116 DMTF DSP1033, *Profile Registration Profile*

117 2.2 Other References

- 118 ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2, [Rules for the structure and drafting of International Standards](#),
- 119 [Common Information Model \(CIM\) Specification v2.2](#), June 14, 1999
- 120 [Unified Modeling Language \(UML\) from the Open Management Group \(OMG\)](#)
- 121 DMTF [DSP0215](#), *Server Management Managed Element Addressing Specification (SM ME Addressing)*
- 122 DMTF [DSP0134](#), *System Management BIOS Reference Specification, v2.5 Final*

123 3 Terms and Definitions

124 For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions in [DSP1033](#) and [DSP1001](#) and the following
125 terms and definitions apply.

126 3.1

127 can

128 used for statements of possibility and capability, whether material, physical, or causal

129 3.2

130 cannot

131 used for statements of possibility and capability, whether material, physical, or causal

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- 132 **3.3**
133 **conditional**
134 indicates requirements to be followed strictly to conform to the document when the specified conditions
135 are met
- 136 **3.4**
137 **mandatory**
138 indicates requirements to be followed strictly to conform to the document and from which no deviation is
139 permitted
- 140 **3.5**
141 **may**
142 indicates a course of action permissible within the limits of the document
- 143 **3.6**
144 **need not**
145 indicates a course of action permissible within the limits of the document
- 146 **3.7**
147 **optional**
148 indicates a course of action permissible within the limits of the document
- 149 **3.8**
150 **referencing profile**
151 indicates a profile that owns the definition of this class and can include a reference to this profile in its
152 "Referenced Profiles" table
- 153 **3.9**
154 **shall**
155 indicates requirements to be followed strictly to conform to the document and from which no deviation is
156 permitted
- 157 **3.10**
158 **shall not**
159 indicates requirements to be followed strictly to conform to the document and from which no deviation is
160 permitted
- 161 **3.11**
162 **should**
163 indicates that among several possibilities, one is recommended as particularly suitable, without
164 mentioning or excluding others, or that a certain course of action is preferred but not necessarily required
- 165 **3.12**
166 **should not**
167 indicates that a certain possibility or course of action is deprecated but not prohibited
- 168 **3.13**
169 **unspecified**
170 indicates that this profile does not define any constraints for the referenced CIM element or operation

171 **4 Symbols and Abbreviated Terms**

172 The following symbols and abbreviations are used in this document.

173 **4.1**
 174 **CIM**
 175 Common Information Model

176 **4.2**
 177 **FRU**
 178 Field Replaceable Unit

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180 **5 Synopsis**

181 **Profile Name:** *System Memory*

182 **Version:** 1.0.0

183 **Organization:** DMTF

184 **CIM Schema version:** 2.10.0

185 **Central Class:** CIM_Memory

186 **Scoping Class:** CIM_ComputerSystem

187 The *System Memory Profile* extends the management capability of the referencing profiles by adding the
 188 capability to describe the total memory available to a managed system. The *System Memory Profile* is a
 189 component profile.

190 Table 1 identifies profiles that are related to this profile.

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Table 1 – Referenced Profiles

Profile Name	Organization	Version	Relationship	Behavior
<i>Physical Asset</i>	DMTF	1.0.0	Optional	See section 7.4.
<i>Profile Registration</i>	DMTF	1.0.0	Mandatory	None

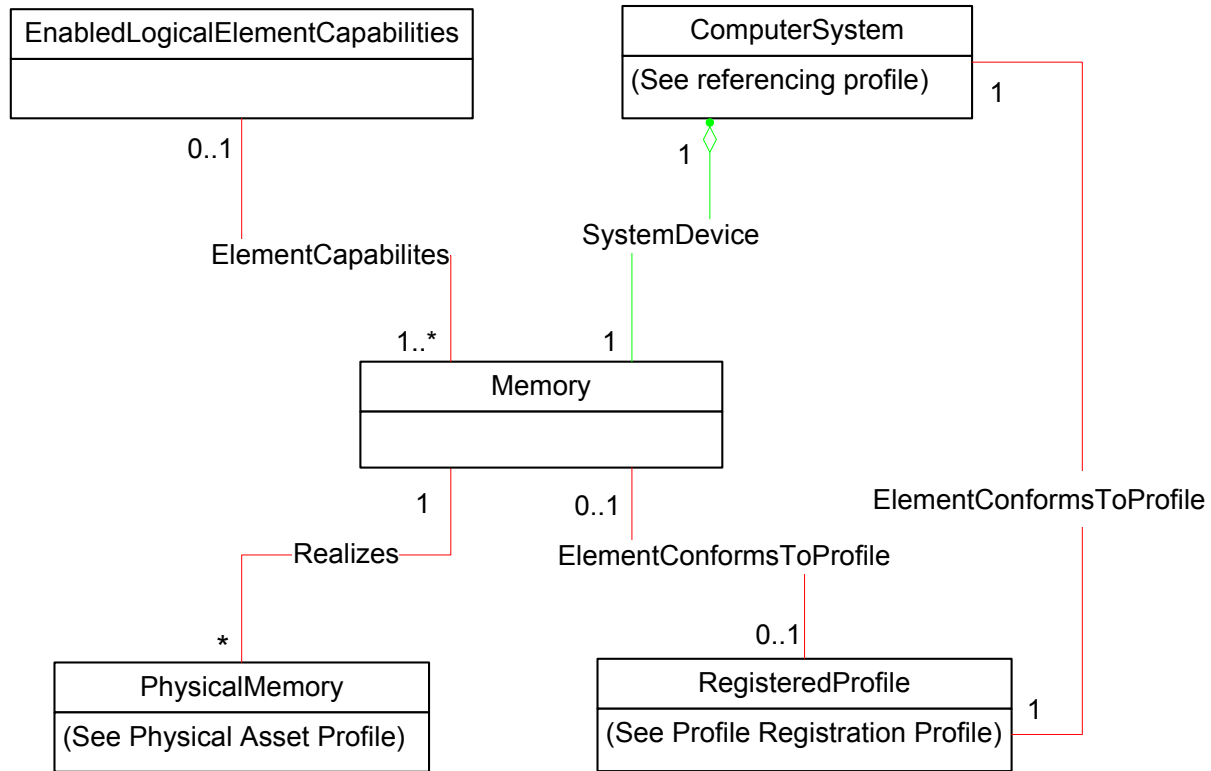
192 **6 Description**

193 The *System Memory Profile* extends the management capability of the referencing profiles by adding the
 194 capability to describe memory devices associated with a system. The CIM_Memory class describes the
 195 system's total memory that includes both available and physical memory, and corresponds to collective
 196 representation of the SMBIOS Type 16, Type 17, Type 19, and Type 20 memory structures (see section
 197 **Error! Reference source not found.**). The CIM_PhysicalMemory class describes the physical aspects of the
 198 system's memory and every instance corresponds to the individual SMBIOS Type 17 memory structure.

199 Figure 1 represents the class schema for the *System Memory Profile*. For simplicity, the prefix CIM_ has
 200 been removed from the names of the classes.

201 The CIM_Memory class describes the total system memory. The physical aspects of the memory are
 202 described with the CIM_PhysicalMemory class, which is associated with the CIM_Memory class through
 203 the CIM_Realizes association. The ownership of the memory is represented through the
 204 CIM_SystemDevice association to the managed system, which is represented by the
 205 CIM_ComputerSystem class. The DMTF version of the *System Memory Profile* that is implemented is
 206 represented through the CIM_RegisteredProfile class.

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Figure 1 – System Memory Profile: Profile Class Diagram

209 7 Implementation

210 This section details the requirements related to the arrangement of instances and their properties for
 211 implementations of this profile. Methods are listed in section 8 (“Methods”), and properties are listed in
 212 section 10 (“CIM Elements”).

213 7.1 CIM_Memory

214 A single instance of CIM_Memory shall exist in accordance with the profile instantiation and shall be
 215 associated with the CIM_ComputerSystem instance that represents the managed system through an
 216 instance of CIM_SystemDevice. This CIM_Memory instance is the logical representation of multiple
 217 physical memories in a managed system and represents the total memory installed and available to the
 218 system..

219 7.2 Representation of the System Memory Size

220 This section describes the method of total system memory size calculation. Additionally this section
 221 describes the corresponding SMBIOS structures defined in [DSP0134](#) that may be used for the
 222 calculation. Note that the underlying represented system does not need to support [DSP0134](#).

223 7.2.1 Total Available System Memory

224 The ConsumableBlocks property represents the number of total available system memory blocks. When
 225 the number of available system memory blocks is unknown, the value of ConsumableBlocks shall be set
 226 to Null.

227 The total available memory of the system shall be the product of multiplying the value of the
228 CIM_Memory.ConsumableBlocks property by the value of the CIM_Memory.BlockSize property.

229 When the [DSP0134](#) is implemented, the product of multiplying the value of the
230 CIM_Memory.ConsumableBlocks property by the value of the CIM_Memory.BlockSize property shall
231 equal the sum of the values of the products of 1 KByte with the subtraction of value of StartingAddress
232 property from the value of EndingAddress property ($\sum [1\text{KB} \times (\text{EndingAddress} - \text{StartingAddress})]$) of
233 either Memory Array Mapped Device (Type 19) structures or Memory Device Mapped Address (Type 20)
234 structures of SMBIOS specification [DSP0134](#).

235 **7.2.2 Total Physical System Memory**

236 The NumberOfBlocks property represents the number of total physical system memory blocks.

237 The total physical memory of the system shall be the product of multiplying the value of the
238 CIM_Memory.NumberOfBlocks property by the value of the CIM_Memory.BlockSize property.

239 When the [DSP0134](#) is implemented, the product of multiplying the value of the
240 CIM_Memory.NumberOfBlocks property by the value of the CIM_Memory.BlockSize property shall equal
241 the sum of the values of the Size property of Memory Device (Type 17) structure of SMBIOS specification
242 [DSP0134](#).

243 When the optional behavior of modeling the physical aspects of the system memory specified in section
244 7.4 is implemented, the product of multiplying the value of the CIM_Memory.NumberOfBlocks property by
245 the value of the CIM_Memory.BlockSize property shall equal the sum of the values of the
246 CIM_PhysicalMemory.Capacity property for each instance of the CIM_PhysicalMemory to which the
247 CIM_Memory instance is associated through the CIM_Realizes association.

248 **7.3 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities**

249 When the CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities class is instantiated, the instance of
250 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities shall be associated with the CIM_Memory instance through an
251 instance of CIM_ElementCapabilities and used for advertising the capabilities of the CIM_Memory
252 instance.

253 At most one instance of CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities shall be associated with a given
254 instance of CIM_Memory.

255 **7.3.1 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities.ElementNameEditSupported**

256 The ElementNameEditSupported property shall have a value of TRUE when the implementation supports
257 client modification of the CIM_Memory.ElementName property.

258 **7.3.2 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities.MaxElementNameLen**

259 The MaxElementNameLen property shall be implemented when the ElementNameEditSupported
260 property has a value of TRUE.

261 **7.4 Physical Asset Profile**

262 The *Physical Asset Profile* may be implemented to model the physical aspects of the system memory,
263 including the asset information.

264 When the system memory's physical aspects are represented, each CIM_PhysicalMemory instance(s)
265 shall be instantiated and associated with the instance of CIM_Memory through instance(s) of
266 CIM_Realizes.

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267 **8 Methods**

268 This section details the requirements for supporting intrinsic operations for the CIM elements defined by
269 this profile. No extrinsic methods are defined for this profile.

270 **8.1 Profile Conventions for Operations**

271 Support for operations for each profile class (including associations) is specified in the following
272 subclauses. Each subclause includes either the statement “All operations in the default list in section 8.1
273 are supported as described by [DSP0200 version 1.2](#)” or a table listing all of the operations that are not
274 supported by this profile or where the profile requires behavior other than that described by
275 [DSP0200 version 1.2](#).

276 The default list of operations is as follows:

- 277 • GetInstance
- 278 • EnumerateInstances
- 279 • EnumerateInstanceNames
- 280 • Associators
- 281 • AssociatorNames
- 282 • References
- 283 • ReferenceNames

284 A compliant implementation shall support all of the operations in the default list for each class, unless the
285 “Requirement” column states something other than *Mandatory*.

286 **8.2 CIM_ElementCapabilities**

287 Table 2 lists operations that either have special requirements beyond those from [DSP0200 version 1.2](#) or
288 shall not be supported.

289 **Table 2 – Operations: CIM_ElementCapabilities**

Operation	Requirement	Messages
EnumerateInstances	Unspecified	None
EnumerateInstanceNames	Unspecified	None
Associators	Unspecified	None
AssociatorNames	Unspecified	None
References	Unspecified	None
ReferenceNames	Unspecified	None

290 8.3 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities

291 All operations in the default list in section 8.1 are supported as described by [DSP0200 version 1.2](#).

292 8.4 CIM_Memory

293 Table 3 lists operations that either have special requirements beyond those from [DSP0200 version 1.2](#) or
294 shall not be supported.

295 **Table 3 – Operations: CIM_Memory**

Operation	Requirement	Messages
ModifyInstance	Conditional. See section 8.4.1.	None

296 8.4.1 CIM_Memory—ModifyInstance

297 This section details the requirements for the ModifyInstance operation applied to an instance of
298 CIM_Memory. The ModifyInstance operation may be supported.

299 The ModifyInstance operation shall be supported and CIM_Memory.ElementName shall be modifiable
300 when an instance of CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities is associated to the instance of
301 CIM_Memory, and the ElementNameEditSupported property of the
302 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities instance has a value of TRUE. See section 8.4.1.1.

303 8.4.1.1 CIM_Memory.ElementName

304 When an instance of CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities is associated to the instance of
305 CIM_Memory, and the ElementNameEditSupported property of the
306 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities instance has a value of TRUE, the implementation shall allow
307 the ModifyInstance operation to change the value of the ElementName property of the CIM_Memory
308 instance. The ModifyInstance operation shall enforce the length restriction specified in the
309 MaxElementNameLen property of the CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities instance.

310 When the ElementNameEditSupported property of the CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities instance
311 has a value of FALSE or when there is no instance of CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities
312 associated with the instance of CIM_Memory, the implementation shall not allow the ModifyInstance
313 operation to change the value of the ElementName property of the CIM_Memory instance.

314 8.5 CIM_SystemDevice

315 Table 4 lists operations that either have special requirements beyond those from [DSP0200 version 1.2](#) or
316 shall not be supported.

317 **Table 4 – Operations: CIM_SystemDevice**

Operation	Requirement	Messages
EnumerateInstances	Unspecified	None
EnumerateInstanceNames	Unspecified	None
Associators	Unspecified	None
AssociatorNames	Unspecified	None
References	Unspecified	None
ReferenceNames	Unspecified	None

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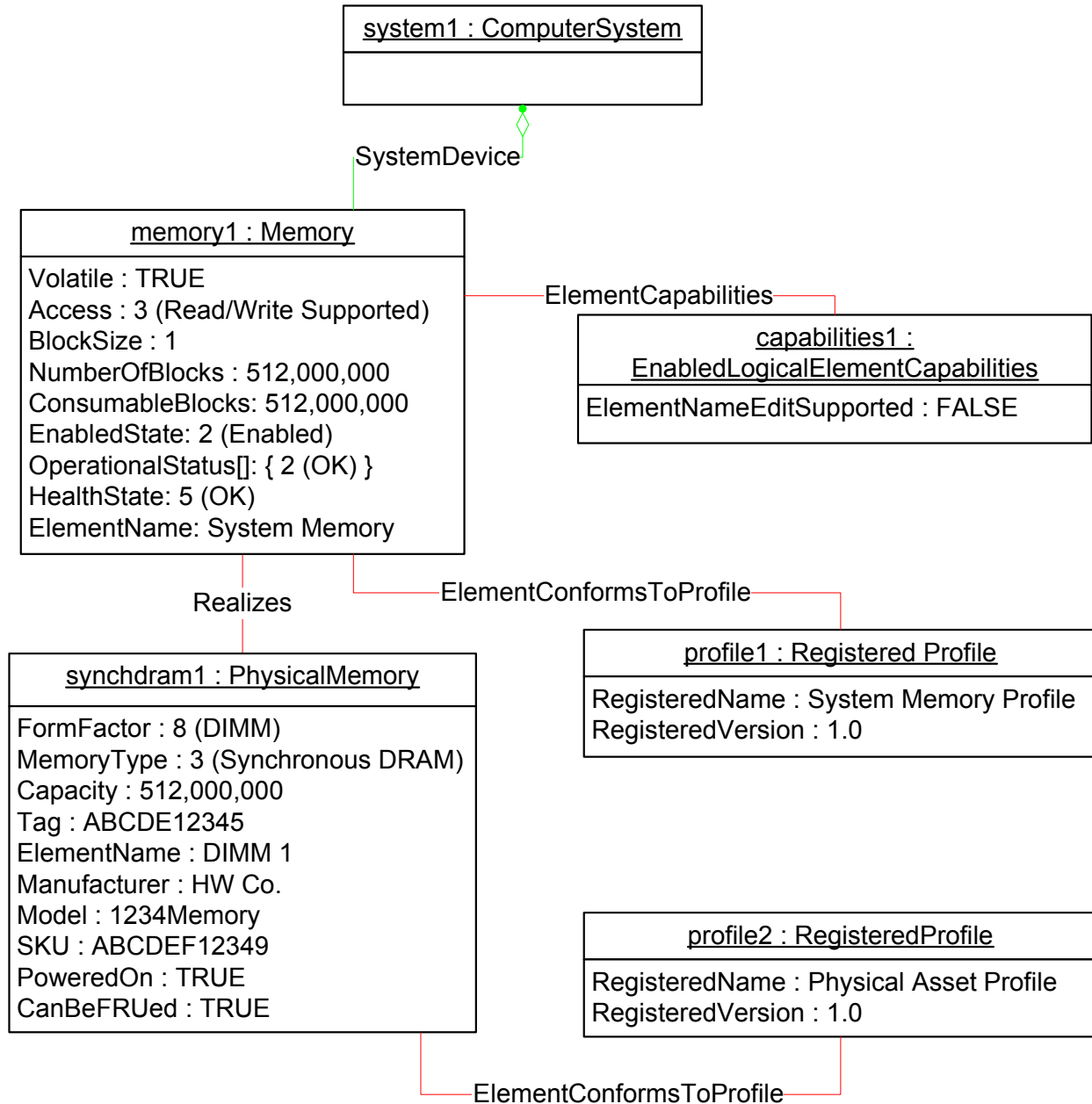
318 **9 Use Cases**

319 This section contains object diagrams and use cases for the *System Memory Profile*.

320 **9.1 Object Diagrams**

321 Figure 2 represents a possible instantiation of the *System Memory Profile*. In this case, the computer
322 system represented by the system1 instance of CIM_ComputerSystem owns and uses memory
323 represented by the memory1 instance of CIM_Memory. memory1 contains information such as the
324 volatility, accessibility, total physical and available size, and operational and health status of the memory.
325 The property ConsumableBlocks represents the memory blocks available for consumption by the system
326 and is equal to the total physical system memory blocks represented by the NumberOfBlocks property.
327 The physical aspects such as memory type, physical size, form factor, and other FRU data are described
328 by the synchdram1 instance of CIM_PhysicalMemory. profile1 shows the version of the current *System*
329 *Memory Profile* implementation.

330 For simplicity, the prefix CIM_ has been removed from the names of the classes.



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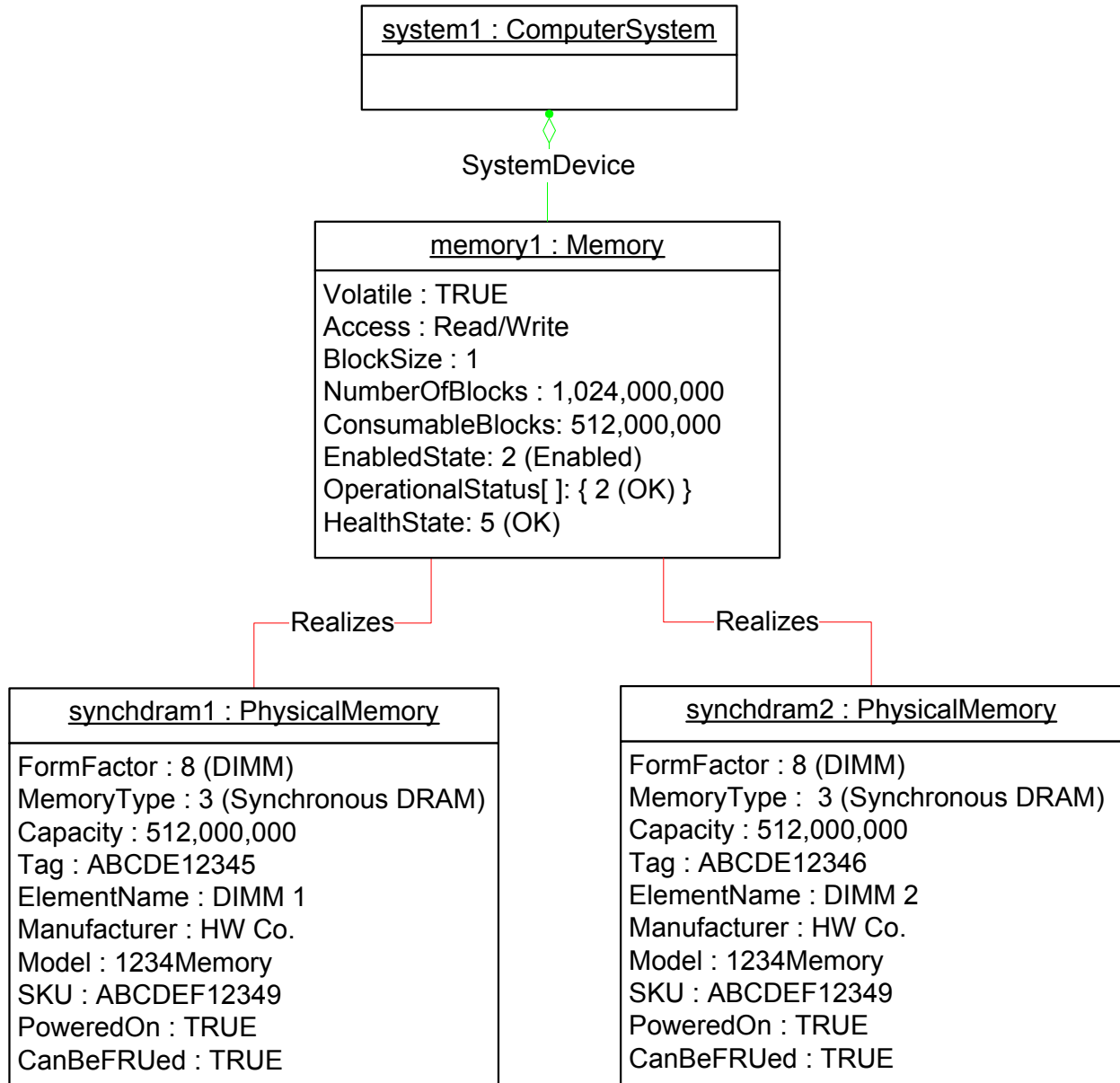
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Figure 2 – System Memory Profile: Object Diagram 1

333 Figure 3 also represents a possible instantiation of the *System Memory Profile*. In this case, the computer
 334 system represented by the system1 instance of CIM_ComputerSystem owns and uses memory
 335 represented by the memory1 instance of CIM_Memory. memory1, as in Figure 2, contains logical
 336 information about the system memory, but in this case, memory1 is a logical representation of two
 337 physical memories, synchdram1 and synchdram2. Thus, the size of system memory, represented by the
 338 properties BlockSize and NumberOfBlocks of memory1, is the sum of the physical sizes, represented by
 339 the Capacity property of synchdram1 and synchdram2. But because system1 has system memory
 340 redundancy, the available system memory represented by the properties of BlockSize and
 341 ConsumableBlocks is half of the total physical system memory. profile1 shows the version of the current
 342 *System Memory Profile* implementation.

343 For simplicity, the prefix CIM_ has been removed from the names of the classes.

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Figure 3 – System Memory Profile: Object Diagram 2

346 9.2 Find the System's Memory Information

347 A client can find the system's memory information as follows:

- 348 1) Select the instance of CIM_Memory that is associated with the given instance of
349 CIM_ComputerSystem through the CIM_SystemDevice association.
- 350 2) Select the values of the properties of the CIM_Memory instance.

351 9.3 Find the System's Physical Memory Information

352 A client can find the system's physical memory information as follows:

- 353 1) Select all the instances of CIM_Realizes that reference the instance of CIM_Memory.

- 354 2) Select the CIM_PhysicalMemory instances that are referenced by the instances of
355 CIM_Realizes.
356 3) Select the values of the properties of the selected CIM_PhysicalMemory instances.

357 **9.4 Find the Total Physical System Memory Size**

358 A client can determine the total system memory size as follows:

- 359 1) Select the instance of CIM_Memory that is associated with the given instance of
360 CIM_ComputerSystem through the CIM_SystemDevice association.
361 2) For the instance of CIM_Memory, select the BlockSize and NumberOfBlocks properties and
362 multiply their values together to show the total system memory in bytes.

363 **9.5 Find the Total Available System Memory Size**

364 A client can determine the total available system memory size as follows:

- 365 1) Select the instance of CIM_Memory that is associated with the given instance of
366 CIM_ComputerSystem through the CIM_SystemDevice association.
367 2) For the instances of CIM_Memory, select the BlockSize and ConsumableBlocks properties and
368 multiply their values together to show the total available system memory in bytes.

369 **9.6 Find the Physical System Memory Size per Memory Device**

370 A client can determine the total physical system memory size as follows:

- 371 1) Select all of the instances of CIM_Realizes that reference the instance of the CIM_Memory.
372 2) Select the CIM_PhysicalMemory instances that are referenced by the CIM_Realizes instances.
373 3) The Capacity property of the selected instances of CIM_PhysicalMemory to show the size of
374 the physical system memory in bytes per memory device.

375 **9.7 Determine Whether ElementName for the Instance of CIM_Memory Is** 376 **Modifiable**

377 A client can determine whether it can modify the ElementName property of the CIM_Memory instance as
378 follows:

- 379 1) Select the instance of CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities that is associated with the
380 instance of CIM_Memory through the CIM_ElementCapabilities association.
381 2) Determine if the ElementNameEditSupported property has value of TRUE.

382 If the value is TRUE, the client can invoke the ModifyInstance operation to modify the value of the
383 CIM_Memory.ElementName property. If the value is FALSE or the instance of
384 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities does not exist, the client cannot modify the value of the
385 CIM_Memory.ElementName property.

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386 10 CIM Elements

387 Table 5 shows the instances of CIM Elements for this profile. Instances of the CIM Elements shall be
388 implemented as described in Table 5. Sections 7 (“Implementation”) and 8 (“Methods”) may impose
389 additional requirements on these elements.

390 **Table 5 – CIM Elements: System Memory Profile**

Element Name	Requirement	Description
Classes		
CIM_ElementCapabilities	Conditional	See section 10.1.
CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities	Optional	See sections 7.3 and 10.2.
CIM_Memory	Mandatory	See sections 7.1 and 10.3.
CIM_RegisteredProfile	Mandatory	See section 10.4.
CIM_SystemDevice	Mandatory	See section 0.
Indications		
None defined in this profile		

391 10.1 CIM_ElementCapabilities

392 CIM_ElementCapabilities associates the CIM_Memory instance with the
393 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities instance that describes the capabilities of CIM_Memory.
394 CIM_ElementCapabilities is mandatory when the CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities instance is
395 instantiated. Table 6 contains the requirements for elements of this class.

396 **Table 6 – Class: CIM_ElementCapabilities**

Elements	Requirement	Notes
ManagedElement	Mandatory	Key: This property shall reference the instance of CIM_Memory. Cardinality 1..*, indicating one or many references
Capabilities	Mandatory	Key: This property shall reference the instance of CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities. Cardinality 0..1, indicating zero or one reference

397 10.2 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities

398 CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities represents the capabilities of the system memory. Table 7
399 contains the requirements for elements of this class.

400 **Table 7 – Class: CIM_EnabledLogicalElementCapabilities**

Elements	Requirement	Notes
InstanceID	Mandatory	Key
ElementNameEditSupported	Mandatory	See section 7.3.1.
MaxElementNameLen	Conditional	See section 7.3.2.

401 **10.3 CIM_Memory**

402 CIM_Memory represents the logical properties of memory in a managed system. For more
 403 implementation details, see section 7.1. Table 8 contains the requirements for elements of this class.

404 **Table 8 – Class: CIM_Memory**

Elements	Requirement	Notes
SystemCreationClassName	Mandatory	Key
SystemName	Mandatory	Key
CreationClassName	Mandatory	Key
DeviceID	Mandatory	Key
Volatile	Mandatory	None
Access	Mandatory	None
BlockSize	Mandatory	None
NumberOfBlocks	Mandatory	See section Error! Reference source not found.
ConsumableBlocks	Mandatory	See section Error! Reference source not found.
EnabledState	Mandatory	This property shall match 2 (Enabled).
RequestedState	Mandatory	This property shall match 12 (Not Applicable).
OperationalStatus	Mandatory	None
HealthState	Mandatory	None
ElementName	Mandatory	This property shall be formatted as a free-form string of variable length (pattern “.*”).

405 **10.4 CIM_RegisteredProfile**

406 CIM_RegisteredProfile is defined by the *Profile Registration Profile*. The requirements denoted in Table 9
 407 are in addition to those mandated by the *Profile Registration Profile*.

408 **Table 9 – Class: CIM_RegisteredProfile**

Elements	Requirement	Notes
RegisteredName	Mandatory	This property shall have a value of “System Memory”.
RegisteredVersion	Mandatory	This property shall have a value of “1.0.0”.
RegisteredOrganization	Mandatory	This property shall have a value of 2 (DMTF).

409 Note: Previous versions of this document included the suffix 'Profile' for the RegisteredName value. If
 410 implementations querying for RegisteredName value find the suffix 'Profile', they should ignore the suffix,
 411 with any surrounding white spaces, before any comparison is done with the value as specified in this
 412 document.

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414 10.5 CIM_SystemDevice

415 CIM_SystemDevice associates the CIM_Memory instance with the CIM_ComputerSystem instance of
416 which CIM_Memory is a member. Table 10 contains the requirements for elements of this class.

417 **Table 10 – Class: CIM_SystemDevice**

Elements	Requirement	Notes
GroupComponent	Mandatory	Key: This property shall reference the CIM_ComputerSystem instance of which the CIM_Memory instance is a member. Cardinality 1, indicating one reference
PartComponent	Mandatory	Key: This property shall reference the CIM_Memory instance. Cardinality 1, indicating one reference

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**ANNEX A
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Change Log**

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