

# CoMPAS Architecture

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This page contains an overview overview of the ComPAS architecture. More details can be found on the ComPAS architecture website:

<https://com-pas.github.io/compas-architecture/>

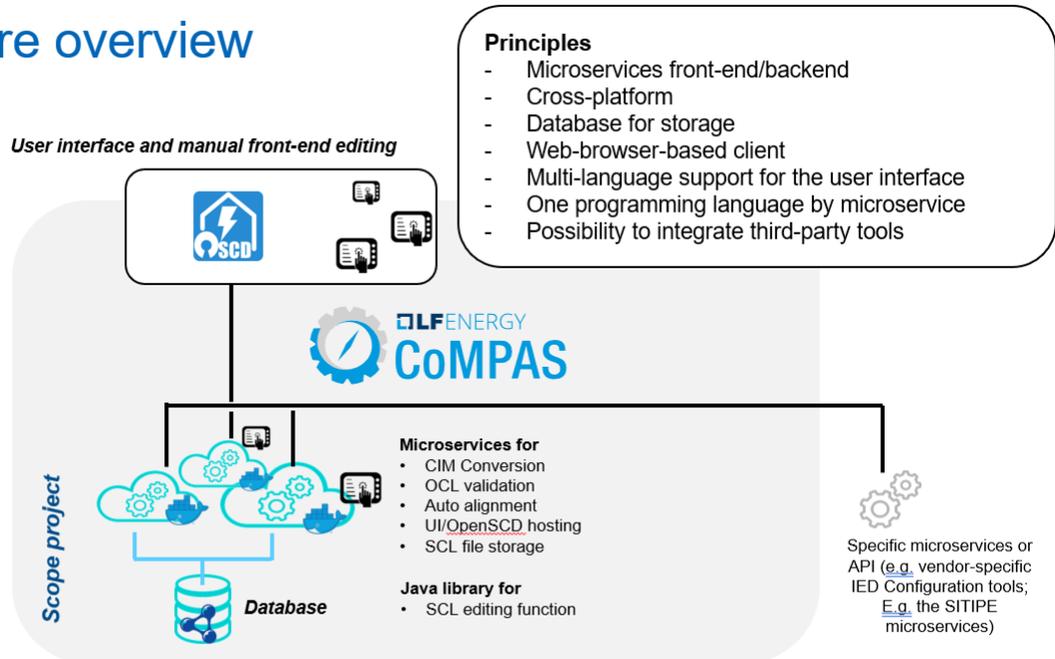
## Principles for Overall Architecture

The project will adopt the following principles for the overall software architecture:

- A **modular** architecture based on **microservices** facilitating a tailor-made integration of the building blocks in third-party IT systems
- A **cross-platform** software ensuring compatibility with various end-user environments.
- **Scriptable functional modules** to enable the customization/automatization of the configuration process according to the specificities of users
- **Light-weight web-browser-based client**
- **Multi-language support** for the user interface

## Architecture Overview

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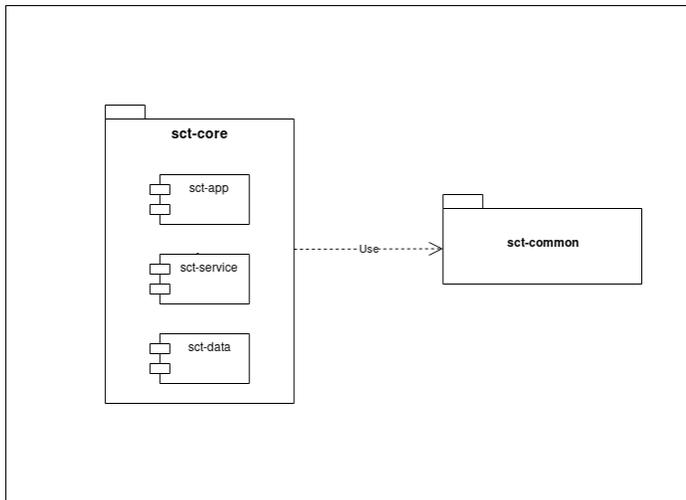
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## Functional architecture

### Overall functional block diagram

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The diagram below shows the functional block diagram structure and their interactions with the deployment requirements. It is composed of two packages: sct-core and sct-common (which could be replaced by compas-core depending on the choice of code hosting)



The requirements are constructed into ease of implementation, deployment, integration and adaptability with respect to the tools.

## System Configuration Tool (SCT) functional diagram

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System Configuration Tool (SCT) is part of CoMPAS open source project. Its goal is to bring a flexible and adaptive tool for configuring PACS (Power Automation and power Control System). It's an n-tiers architecture which combines reliability, flexibility, modularity and adaptability to allow users to choose their own database to implement the SCT.

The following architecture (package diagram) is divided into 3 major parts :

- **sct-app** : hosts the controller part which exposes application resources on APIs (API REST), it allows the SCT application to be interfaced directly with web applications or services which need to communicate with the SCT.
- **sct-service** : this part could be considered as the engine of the SCT. It computes all needed operations and uses **sct-data** for database access.
- **sct-data** : implements a generic abstract data service which should be extended by specific real data services for exchange with chosen databases.
- **database** : this part allows users to store their data, for each database chosen **sct-data** should be implemented by real **sct-data-typedb** services in order to have compatible repositories for database exchange. It's not part of the SCT architecture.

Compas SCT (System Configuration Tool) is dedicated to manage the automatization of binding signals for 61850 standard. It allows third parties to realize their system configuration. This tool plays a capital role in managing devices configuration and communication on power systems.

The architecture of the SCT is oriented microservices and presents an advanced abstraction level in order to facilitate usage by third parties.

Its design choice is to allow every user to re-implement the tool (data access part) according to his own needs. This architecture simplifies usage and decreases constraints on database type to use and service or controller re-adaptation for each need.

The component diagram shows two parts : **sct-core** and **sct-common**.

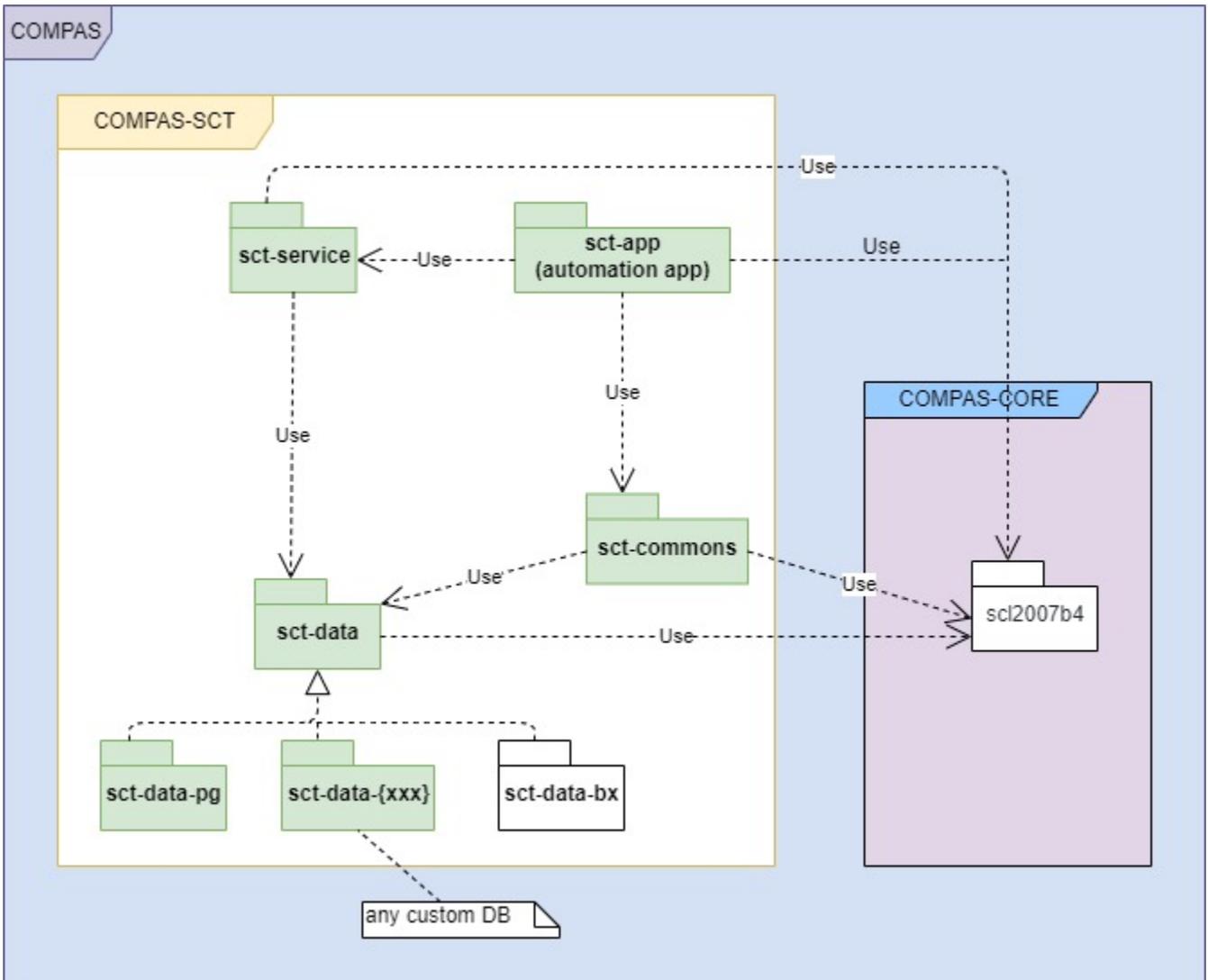
- **sct-core** : is the central part of the SCT. It implements all needed services to build and compute system files (SCD, SSD, etc). It also contains an abstract data module (implementation shown in code) that should be re-implemented by third party users in order to adapt the tool to their context. An application module is also available to allow communication with external components (HMI or services). In this way each vendor can use the tools with its own tools to take plenty of SCT functionalities.
- **sct-common** : used to optimize and bring together all identified common or reusable parts of the code or functionality. It can be the SCT's own common elements or directly common elements regrouped in **compas-core** as an external dependency (module) containing all common elements used in **compas-tool** (**sct**, **compas-cim-mapping**, **compas-scl-xsd**, etc).

This model diagram describes the n-tiers architecture chosen for SCT implementation. It is composed of 2 parts : **sct-core** and **sct-common**. The **sct-core** part is divided into 3 layers : **sct-app** (controller), **sct-service** (service) and **sct-data** (data access abstract layer).

**sct-app** or controller layer and **sct-service** are concrete in opposite of **sct-data** which is abstract in order to allow its re-implementation by concrete methods for user purpose and context.

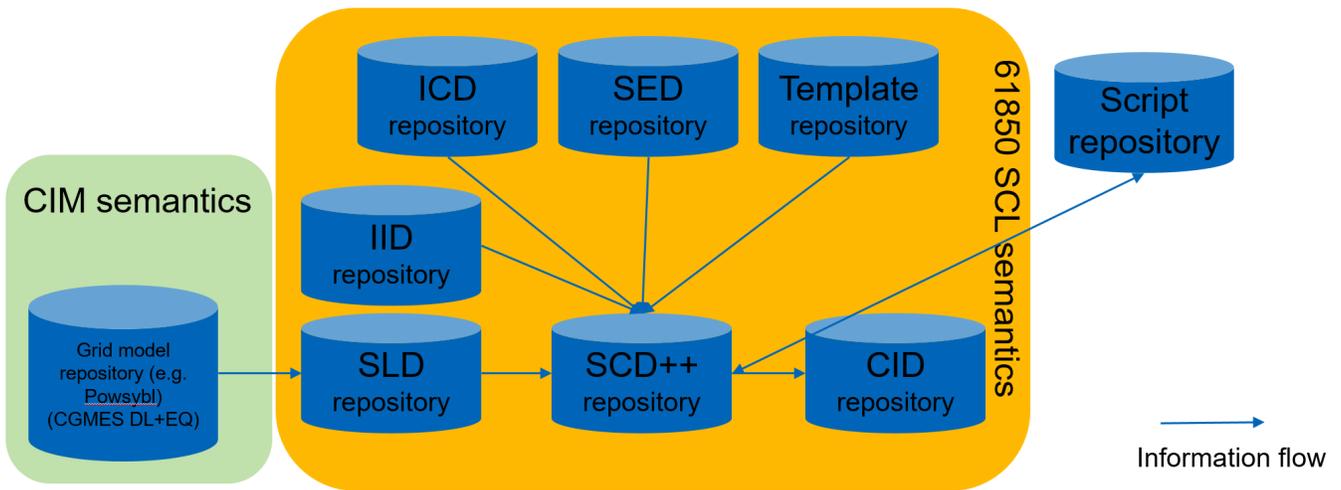
The source code is in Java, Spring Boot and hosts in **compas** space on GitHub. The build process and IC/DC are realized with Github Actions and allows contributors to construct a valuable product.

The component/package diagram allows to see the high modularity of the SCT architecture which gives a choice to build all components at the same time or build them one by one which may contribute to smart managing of package versions.



## Data Architecture

### Conceptual Overview of Data Architecture Repositories and Semantics



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