

# Minutes CVL RFP telecon meeting November 19, 2009

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The discussion mostly centered around a possible distinction between variability modeling and product line engineering, triggered by the text of the introduction. An observation was that one may have low level variability modeling by means of parameters or variability on single base model elements, and that this would not qualify for feature modeling. However, it was clarified that feature modeling is not synonym for product line engineering.

The other extreme (stand-alone Feature Models) is covered by the text, simply by not having any base model and no relationships. This issue resulted in an **action point** on Eran: provide some text on the introduction text, e.g. an extra bullet point introducing a variability model in addition to a feature model.

It was decided that the notation for FM should be part of the notation for CVL, as the notation for FM then also will be standardized. Equally important to having it standardized is that we make it successful, e.g. by scoping.

There was some uncertainty about the requirement that CVL shall handle relationships to base models in any language defined by means of MOF. Will that require that MOF is improved?

An **action point** on all was to come up with an example in order to illustrate the differences in terminology. This example should be used in further discussions, it should not necessarily into the RFP.

**Next meeting:** November 26 at 14.00 CET despite the Thanksgiving in the USA.