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## INTRODUCTION

Engineering tools used for the design of safety control system of machinery and similar control systems require functional safety and reliability data.

The purpose of this document is to:

- define the structure of the engineering data model classes and properties of low-voltage switchgear and controlgear suitable for use in functional safety applications based on VDMA 66413 and other applications including dependability analysis.
- describe the method on how to provide and use these properties in typical applications.

The intended benefits of this document are to:

- reduce the costs, time and efforts of mapping data for each customer request;
- optimize the workflow of information exchange with engineering tools;
- facilitate the selection of a product, especially regarding reliability and safety;
- give access to product data everywhere regardless of country, language and culture.

This document consists of a reference dictionary of low-voltage switchgear and controlgear using existing terms from IEC standards.

For this project, the introduction of low-voltage switchgear and controlgear within the IEC 61360 database addresses the following technical aspects:

- IEC 61360 requires mandatory attributes. The complete set of mandatory attributes with additional relevant attributes for low-voltage switchgear and controlgear will be available within the IEC 61360 database. The CDD 62683 database is available at the following address:

<https://cdd.iec.ch/cdd/iec62683/iec62683.nsf/TreeFrameset?OpenFrameSet&ongletactif=1>  
. Within the present document, only the most useful attributes will be presented;

- The switchgear and controlgear dictionary is implemented in an appropriate domain of the IEC Component Data Dictionary (CDD), IEC 61360, by creating dictionaries of blocks, classes and properties.

# LOW-VOLTAGE SWITCHGEAR AND CONTROLGEAR – PRODUCT DATA AND PROPERTIES FOR INFORMATION EXCHANGE – ENGINEERING DATA –

## Part 2-3: Functional safety and reliability

### 1 Scope

This document specifies the functional safety and reliability data model descriptions for low-voltage switchgear and controlgear to be used by engineering tools for the design of safety related control systems according to IEC 62061, IEC 61508-2 and ISO 13849-1, and for dependability analysis of electrotechnical systems.

This dictionary is used to facilitate the exchange between computers of data characterizing low-voltage switchgear and controlgear.

Each property has an unambiguously defined meaning and naming, and where relevant, a defined value list, a defined format and a defined unit.

The data models described in this document are intended to complement the product catalogue data defined by IEC 62683-1.

This document does not cover:

- exchange format such as defined in VDMA 66413,
- explosive atmosphere applications,
- manufacturer specific features. [IEC 62683-2-3:2024](https://standards.iteh.ai/catalog/standards/iec/bb7ea246-b734-438e-a553-c3e60d15322e/iec-62683-2-3-2024)

### 2 Normative references

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IEC 60947-1, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Part 1: General rules*

IEC 61360-1, *Standard data element types with associated classification scheme – Part 1: Definitions – Principles and methods*

IEC 61508-2, *Functional safety of electrical/electronic/programmable electronic safety-related systems – Part 2: Requirements for electrical/electronic/programmable electronic safety-related systems*

IEC 62061, *Safety of machinery – Functional safety of safety-related control systems*

IEC 62683-1, *Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear – Product data and properties for information exchange – Part 1: Catalogue data*

ISO 13849-1, *Safety of machinery – Safety-related parts of control systems – Part 1: General principles for design*



### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60947-1 and the following apply.

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#### 3.1

##### **attribute**

data element for description of a property, a relation or a device class

EXAMPLE The name of a property, the code of a class, the measure unit of a property.

#### 3.2

##### **block**

<of properties> collection of properties describing one common aspect of the device class

Note 1 to entry: A block is a feature class in the sense of IEC 61360-1 and ISO 13584-42.

EXAMPLE Diagnostic functions, control circuit.

#### 3.3

##### **cardinality**

pattern defining the number of times a concept reoccurs within a description

Note 1 to entry: Cardinality allows a block of properties contained in a list of properties to be used more than once for a particular transaction in order to describe, for example, a device with several different outputs or more than one process cases.

[SOURCE: IEC 61987-10:2009, 3.1.5, modified – Notes 1, 2, 3, and 5 have been omitted.]

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#### 3.4

##### **device**

material element or assembly of such elements intended to perform a required function

Note 1 to entry: In this document, a device corresponds to a low voltage switchgear and controlgear.

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-151:2001, 151-11-20, modified – the note to entry has been omitted and a new note has been added]

#### 3.5

##### **device class**

set of properties which gives a description of a device

#### 3.6

##### **polymorphism**

pattern that allows substitution of a single concept in the same context by a different more specific (specialized) concept

Note 1 to entry: A specialised polymorphic block of properties can replace a more generic one in the same context.

Note 2 to entry: A polymorphic operator (control property) can act in selecting between of various specialisations.

[SOURCE: IEC 61987-10:2009, 3.1.21]

### 3.7

#### **property**

defined parameter suitable for the description and differentiation of device class specific characteristic describing an aspect of device class

## 4 General

The engineering data models are intended to be used as complementary to the product class descriptions of IEC 62683-1.

The attributes shall follow IEC 61360-1. Based on IEC 61360-1 data model, the structured data called cardinality and polymorphism may be used.

## 5 Properties

### 5.1 Criteria for naming properties

In order to maintain consistency and clarity in the naming of properties, terms from product standards shall be used when there are available.

Synonymous names may be associated with the property name when well established terms are used on the market.

### 5.2 Attributes of a property

The following attributes of a property are considered in this document: identifier, preferred name, definition, source document, data type, unit of measure, value format, value list.

## 6 Engineering data models

### 6.1 Attributes

The attributes of the engineering data models shall follow IEC 61360-1.

The following attributes of a device class are considered in this document: identifier, preferred name, definition, synonymous name and source document.

NOTE The synonymous names are limited to those necessary to avoid confusion when selecting a device class.

### 6.2 Data models

#### 6.2.1 Functional safety

##### 6.2.1.1 General structure

The functional safety model defined in Table 1 is to be used as an additional feature block of an existing product class defined in IEC 62683-1 when the product is intended for use as a part of a safety control system according to IEC 62061, IEC 61508-2 or ISO 13849-1.

**Table 1 – Functional safety**

Properties of each class	Class ID	Property ID
<b>Functional safety for machinery</b>	ACC007	
number of functional safety sets of characteristics		ACE005
<b>Operating conditions of functional safety characteristics</b>	ACG057	
rated operational voltage		ACE455
rated operational current, AC		ACE533
rated operational current, DC		ACE534
type of interlocking device		ACE053
other operating conditions		ACE070
useful life in number of operations		ACE055
useful life in time interval		ACE054
<b>Safety device types</b>	ACG070	
functional safety device type		ACE071
<b>Safety subsystem</b>	ACG065	
safety integrity level		ACE051
average frequency of dangerous failure		ACE052
proof test interval		ACE058
performance level		ACE060
category		ACE063
<b>Electronic element</b>	ACG066	
mean time to dangerous failure		ACE057
proof test interval		ACE058
<b>Electromechanical element</b>	ACG067	
number of operations until ten percent dangerous failure		ACE056
proof test interval		ACE058
<b>Inherently safe subsystem</b>	ACG069	
safety integrity level		ACE051
proof test interval		ACE058
performance level		ACE060
category		ACE063

### 6.2.1.2 Polymorphism device type

Depending on the functional safety capabilities of the device, its type shall be selected among one of the four types:

- a) Safety subsystem (device type 1).
- b) Electronic element (device type 2).
- c) Electromechanical element (device type 3).
- d) Inherently safe subsystem (device type 4).

The device types 1 and 4 can be incorporated directly as a complete subsystem at the top level of the architecture of the safety control system according to IEC 62061 (SCS) or ISO 13849-1 (SRP/CS). The device type 2 and 3 are only subsystem elements to be combined with other subsystem elements in order to form a subsystem.

The selection of the applicable device type is defined by the value selected in the value list ACI142 of the polymorphic property ACE071 functional safety device type. This is controlling the creation of an instance of the block ACG070 Safety device types using the selected device type list of properties.

**6.2.1.3 Decomposition in blocks**

Table 2 gives the decomposition of the class and blocks of properties. The class name column is structured in three levels of class hierarchy using vertical indent alignments.

NOTE The class hierarchy is shown on the left end side of the graphical user interface of IEC CDD.

**Table 2 – Decomposition in blocks**

Class name	Synonymous	Definition	Source	Class ID
Functional safety of machinery		part of the overall safety of machinery that depends on functional and physical units operating correctly in response to their inputs	IEC 60050:2013, 351-57-06, modified with "of machinery"	ACC007
Operating conditions of functional safety characteristics		operating condition limits for which the functional safety characteristics are valid		ACG057
Safety device types		selected device type depending on its safety related characteristics and its capability as subsystem or subsystem element		ACG070
Safety subsystem	device type 1, subsystem	entity of the top-level architectural design of a safety-related system where a dangerous failure of the subsystem results in dangerous failure of a safety function  Note 1 to entry: This differs from common language where "subsystem" may mean any sub-divided part of an entity, the term "subsystem" is used in this document within a strongly defined hierarchy of terminology: "subsystem" is the first level subdivision of a system. The parts resulting from further subdivision of a subsystem are called "subsystem elements".  Note 2 to entry: A complete subsystem can be made up from a number of identifiable and separate subsystem elements.  Note 3 to entry: The subsystem specification includes its role in the safety function and its interface with the other subsystems of the SCS.  Note 4 to entry: One subsystem can be part of several safety functions, e.g. the same combination of contactors can be used to de-energise a motor either in the event of detection of a person in a danger zone or also in the event of opening an interlock guard.	IEC 62061:2021, 3.2.4	ACG065
Electronic element	device type 2	element of electronic technology non evaluated according to a functional safety standard, provided with reliability data and which is necessary to be integrated specifically into a subsystem	derived from ISO 13849:2022, O.1.3	ACG066