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This International Standard is the specification for developers of OPC UA applications. The specification is a result of an analysis and design process to develop a standard interface to facilitate the development of applications by multiple vendors that inter-operate seamlessly together.



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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62541 describes the OPC Unified Architecture (OPC UA) *AddressSpace* and its *Objects*. This Part is the OPC UA meta model on which OPC UA information models are based.

2 Normative references

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3 Terms, definitions, abbreviations and conventions

3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document the following terms and definitions as well as the terms and definitions given in IEC/TR 62541-1 apply.

3.1.1

DataType

instance of a *DataType Node* that is used together with the *ValueRank Attribute* to define the data type of a *Variable*.

3.1.2

DataVariable

Variables that represent *values* of *Objects*, either directly or indirectly for complex *Variables*, where the *Variables* are always the *TargetNode* of a *HasComponent Reference*

3.1.3

EventType

ObjectType Node that represents the type definition of an *Event*

3.1.4

Hierarchical Reference

Reference that is used to construct hierarchies in the *AddressSpace*

NOTE All hierarchical *ReferenceTypes* are derived from *HierarchicalReferences*.

3.1.5

InstanceDeclaration

Node that is used by a complex *TypeDefinitionNode* to expose its complex structure; It is an instance used by a type definition

3.1.6

ModellingRule

metadata of an *InstanceDeclaration* that defines how the *InstanceDeclaration* will be used for instantiation; It also defines subtyping rules for an *InstanceDeclaration*

3.1.7

Property

Variables that are the *TargetNode* for a *HasProperty Reference*; *Properties* describe the characteristics of a *Node*

3.1.8

SourceNode

Node having a *Reference* to another *Node*; For example, in the *Reference* "A contains B", "A" is the *SourceNode*

3.1.9

TargetNode

Node that is referenced by another *Node*; For example, in the *Reference* "A Contains B", "B" is the *TargetNode*

3.1.10

TypeDefinitionNode

Node that is used to define the type of another *Node*; *ObjectType* and *VariableType Nodes* are *TypeDefinitionNodes*