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INTRODUCTION

Structure of the SC 45A standard series – Relationships with other IEC, IAEA and ISO documents

The entry point of the SC 45A standard series is IEC 61513. This standard deals with general requirements for instrumentation and control systems and equipment (I&C systems) that are used to perform functions important to safety in nuclear power plants (NPPs), and structures the SC45A standard series.

IEC 61513 refers directly to other SC 45A standards for general topics related to categorization of functions and classification of systems, qualification, separation of systems, software aspects of computer-based systems, hardware aspect of computer-based systems, control rooms design and multiplexing. The standards referenced directly have to be considered together with IEC 61513 as a consistent document set.

The other SC 45A standards not directly referenced by IEC 61513 are standards related to particular equipment, technical methods or specific activities. Usually, those low level documents, which refer to the documents of the higher levels previously described for the general topics, can be used on their own.

IEC 61513 has adopted a presentation format similar to basic safety publication IEC 61508, with an overall safety lifecycle frame and a system safety lifecycle frame, and provides an interpretation of the general requirements of IEC 61508, parts 1, 2 and 4, for the nuclear application sector. Compliance with IEC 61513 will facilitate consistency with the requirements of IEC 61508 as they have been interpreted for the nuclear industry. In that frame, IEC 60880 and IEC 62138 correspond to IEC 61508, part 3 for the nuclear application sector.

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IEC 61513 refers to ISO as well as to IAEA 50-C-QA (now replaced by IAEA 50-C/SG-Q) for topics related to quality assurance.

The SC 45A standards series implements consistently and in detail the principles and basic safety aspects given in the IAEA Code on the safety of nuclear power plants and in the IAEA safety series, in particular the Requirements NS-R-1, "Safety of Nuclear Power Plants: Design" and the Safety Guide NS-G-1.3, "Instrumentation and Control Systems Important to Safety in Nuclear Power Plants". The terminology and definitions used by the SC 45A standards are consistent with that used by the IAEA.

NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS – INSTRUMENTATION AND CONTROL IMPORTANT FOR SAFETY – SOFTWARE ASPECTS FOR COMPUTER-BASED SYSTEMS PERFORMING CATEGORY B OR C FUNCTIONS

1 Scope

This International Standard provides requirements for the software of computer-based I&C systems performing functions of safety category B or C as defined by IEC 61226. It complements IEC 60880 and IEC 60880-2, which provide requirements for the software of computer-based I&C systems performing functions of safety category A.

It is also consistent with, and complementary to, IEC 61513. Activities that are mainly system level activities (for example, integration, validation and installation) are not addressed exhaustively by this standard: requirements that are not specific to software are deferred to IEC 61513.

IEC 61513 defines the safety classes of I&C systems important to safety as follows:

- I&C systems of safety class 1 are basically intended to perform functions of safety category A, but may also perform functions of safety category B and/or C, and non safety-classified functions;
- I&C systems of safety class 2 are basically intended to perform functions of safety category B, but may also perform functions of safety category C, and non safety-classified functions;
- I&C systems of safety class 3 are basically intended to perform functions of safety category C, but may also perform non safety-classified functions.

Since a given safety-classified I&C system may perform functions of different safety categories and even non safety-classified functions, the requirements of this standard are attached to the safety class of the I&C system.

This standard takes into account the current practices for the development of software for I&C systems, in particular:

- the use of pre-developed software, equipment and equipment families that were not necessarily designed to nuclear industry sector standards;
- the use of dedicated “black-box” devices with embedded software;
- the use of application-oriented languages.

This standard is not intended to be used as a general-purpose software engineering guide. It provides requirements that the software of I&C systems of safety classes 2 or 3 must meet to achieve system nuclear safety objectives.

2 Normative references

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

IEC 61226, *Nuclear power plants – Instrumentation and control systems important for safety – Classification*

IEC 61513:2001, *Nuclear power plants – Instrumentation and control for systems important to safety – General requirements for systems*

3 Terms, definitions and abbreviations

For the purposes of this document, the following terms, definitions and abbreviation apply.

3.1

animation

process by which the behaviour defined by a specification is displayed with actual values derived from the stated behaviour expressions and from some input values

(IEC 60880-2)

3.2

application function

function of an I&C system that performs a task related to the process being controlled rather than to the functioning of the system itself

(IEC 61513)

3.3

application-oriented language

computer language specifically designed to address a certain type of application and to be used by persons who are specialists of this type of application

NOTE 1 Equipment families usually feature application-oriented languages so as to provide easy to use capability for adjusting the equipment to specific requirements.

NOTE 2 Application-oriented languages may be used to specify the functional requirements of an I&C system, and/or to specify or design application software. They may be based on texts, on graphics, or on both.

NOTE 3 Examples: function block diagram languages, languages defined by IEC 61131-3.

NOTE 4 See also General-purpose language.

3.4

application software

part of the software of an I&C system that implements the application functions

(IEC 61513)

NOTE See also System software, Operational system software.

3.5

category of an I&C function

one of three possible safety assignments (A, B, C) of I&C functions resulting from considerations of the importance to safety of the functions to be performed. An unclassified assignment may be made if the function is not significant to safety

(IEC 61513)

NOTE See also Class of an I&C system.

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3.6**class of an I&C system**

one of three possible assignments (1, 2, 3) of I&C systems important to safety resulting from consideration of their requirement to implement I&C functions of differing importance to safety. An unclassified assignment is made if the I&C system does not implement functions important to safety

(IEC 61513)

NOTE See also Category of an I&C function.

3.7**complexity**

degree to which a system or component has a design, implementation or behaviour that is difficult to understand and verify

(IEC 61513)

3.8**configuration management**

discipline applying technical and administrative direction and surveillance to identify and document the functional and physical characteristics of a configuration item, control modifications to those characteristics, record and report changes in status, and verify compliance with specified requirements

(IEC 61513)

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3.9**design specification**

document or set of documents that describe the organisation and functioning of an item, and that are used as a basis for the implementation and the integration of the item

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3.10**documentation for safety**

document or set of documents that specifies how a product can be safely used for applications important to safety

3.11**equipment family**

set of hardware and software components that may work co-operatively in one or more defined architectures (configurations). The development of plant specific configurations and of the related application software may be supported by software tools. An equipment family usually provides a number of standard functionalities (application functions library) that may be combined to generate specific application software

(IEC 61513)

NOTE 1 An equipment family may be a product of a defined manufacturer or a set of products interconnected and adapted by a supplier.

NOTE 2 The term "Equipment platform" is sometime used as a synonym of "Equipment family".

3.12**error**

discrepancy between a computed, observed or measured value or condition, and the true, specified or theoretical value or condition

(IEC 61513)

NOTE See also Mistake, Fault, Failure.

3.13**executable code**

software that is included in the target system

NOTE Executable code usually includes instructions to be executed by the hardware of the target system, and associated data.

3.14**failure**

deviation of the delivered service from the intended one

(IEC 61513)

NOTE See also Mistake, Fault, Error.

3.15**fault**

defect in a hardware, software or system component

(IEC 61513)

NOTE 1 Faults may be subdivided into random faults and systematic faults. Random faults result from hardware degradation and cause failures at unpredictable times. Systematic faults result from design errors (for example, software faults) and, in identical conditions, lead systematically to the same failures.

NOTE 2 A fault (in particular a design fault) may remain undetected in a system until specific conditions are such that the result produced does not conform to the intended function, i.e. a failure occurs.

NOTE 3 See also Mistake, Error, Failure.

3.16**functional validation**

verification of the correctness of the application functions specifications versus the plant functional and performance requirements. It is complementary to the system validation that verifies the compliance of the system with the functions specification

(IEC 61513)

3.17**general-purpose language**

computer language designed to address all types of usage

NOTE 1 The system software of equipment families is usually implemented using general-purpose languages.

NOTE 2 Examples: Ada, C, Pascal.

NOTE 3 See also Application-oriented language.

3.18**integration**

progressive aggregation and verification of components into a complete system

3.19**I&C architecture**

organisational structure of the I&C systems of a plant which are important to safety

(IEC 61513)

3.20**mistake**

human action (or inaction) that produces an unintended result

(IEC 60880-2)

NOTE See also Fault, Error, Failure.