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## Introduction

This document is a geometrical product specifications (GPS) standard and is to be regarded as a global GPS standard (see ISO 14638). It influences all chain links in all chains of standards in the general GPS matrix.

The ISO GPS Masterplan given in ISO 14638 gives an overview of the ISO GPS system of which this document is a part. The fundamental rules of ISO GPS given in ISO 8015 apply to this document and the default decision rules given in ISO 14253-1 apply to the specifications made in accordance with this document, unless otherwise indicated.

For more detailed information on the relationship of this document to other standards and to the GPS matrix model, see [Annex C](#).

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# Geometrical product specifications (GPS) — Association

## 1 Scope

This document gives the terminology, and basic concepts of association including objective functions and association constraints and material offset shifting.

This document is not intended to define association defaults and GPS syntax which are defined in other standards.

NOTE The association can be used to establish for example:

- a datum;
- a reference feature in link with a geometrical specification or to a surface texture specification,
- any dimensional characteristic,
- an intersection plane, an orientation plane, a collection plane or a direction feature.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements 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.

ISO 17450-1:2011, *Geometrical product specifications (GPS) — General concepts — Part 1: Model for geometrical specification and verification*

ISO 17450-4, *Geometrical product specifications (GPS) — Basic concepts — Part 4: Geometrical characteristics for quantifying GPS deviations*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 17450-1 and ISO 17450-4 and the following apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <https://www.electropedia.org/>

### 3.1

#### **association**

feature operation used to fit ideal feature(s) to input feature(s)(non-ideal feature(s)) according to a criterion

### 3.2

#### **<association> input feature**

non ideal feature, which is an extracted feature or a real feature, which can be filtered or not.

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## 3.3

**associated feature**

ideal feature which is fitted to an input feature (non-ideal feature) with a specific association criterion

Note 1 to entry: An ideal feature is defined by a mathematical description of an ideal feature using a finite set of real numbers called description parameters

Note 2 to entry: An associated feature can be a feature of size. In this case, it is possible to use the term associated feature of size.

EXAMPLE An extruded surface having as directrix an ellipse, can be described by the formula " $a \cdot (x-c)^2 + b \cdot (y-d)^2 = R^2, \forall z$ " (with  $a$  non-equal to  $b$ ): It describes for any point (having as coordinate  $x, y$  and  $z$ , in a local cartesian coordinate system) of an ideal feature which belongs to the prismatic invariance class (prismatic surface with an elliptic base, the parameters  $a$  and  $b$  being non-equal). If the parameter  $a$  and  $b$  are equal, then the surface belongs to the cylindrical invariance class.

## 3.4

**restricted associated feature**

set of points of an *associated feature* (3.3), where local geometrical deviations are defined between the input feature (non-ideal feature) and the associated feature

## 3.5

**(optimizing) association criterion**

objective function with or without association constraints, and with or without offset material, defined for an association

Note 1 to entry: Several association constraints may be used for association.

Note 2 to entry: Association results (associated features) can differ, depending upon the choice of association criterion.

## 3.5.1

**<association> objective function****<association> optimization function**

formula that describes the goal of association from the input feature (non-ideal feature) and the ideal feature (associated feature)

## 3.5.1.1

**L-function**

objective function defined from the set of the signed local geometrical deviations between an input feature and the *associated feature* (3.3)

Note 1 to entry: The local geometrical deviations are defined in ISO 17450-4, with the convention sign based on the material side defined from the ideal geometry.

## 3.5.1.2

**S-function**

objective function, based on the size of the associated feature of size

Note 1 to entry: The maximum inscribed feature and the minimum circumscribed feature are associated feature obtained with S-function.

## 3.5.2

**association constraint**

set of restrictions on variability of the mathematical parameters describing an *associated feature* (3.3) taken into account in the optimization process.

EXAMPLE Orientation constraint, location constraint, material constraint or size constraint are the different types of association constraint.

## 3.5.2.1

**orientation constraint**

*association constraint* (3.5.2) on one or more rotational degrees of freedom of *associated feature* (3.3)

### 3.5.2.2

#### location constraint

association constraint (3.5.2) on one or more translational degrees of freedom of associated feature (3.3)

### 3.5.2.3

#### material constraint

association constraint (3.5.2) to the associated feature (3.3), in relation to the material side of the input feature

EXAMPLE The outside material constraint implies that all distances between the associated feature and the input feature are positive or equal to zero, i.e. the associated feature is tangent outside of the input feature.

### 3.5.2.4

#### size constraint

association constraint (3.5.2) on the size of associated feature (3.3)

Note 1 to entry: Without size constraint, the size of associated feature is variable for the association.

## 4 Association specification elements description of association process

The association operation is an optimization process, to fit an ideal feature with a predefined geometry to an input feature (non-ideal feature) or to fit a set of ideal features to predefined geometries to a set of input features. The input feature for this optimization process is a non-ideal (an extracted feature or a real feature), which can be filtered or not.

To perform this optimization process, an association objective function shall be defined without or with association constraints. After this step of optimization, an offset step can be optionally performed (see Figure 1).

An associated feature or a set of associated features is yet defined, from which it is possible to define the set of one or more situation features (allowing to locate in the space this associated feature or this set of associated features).

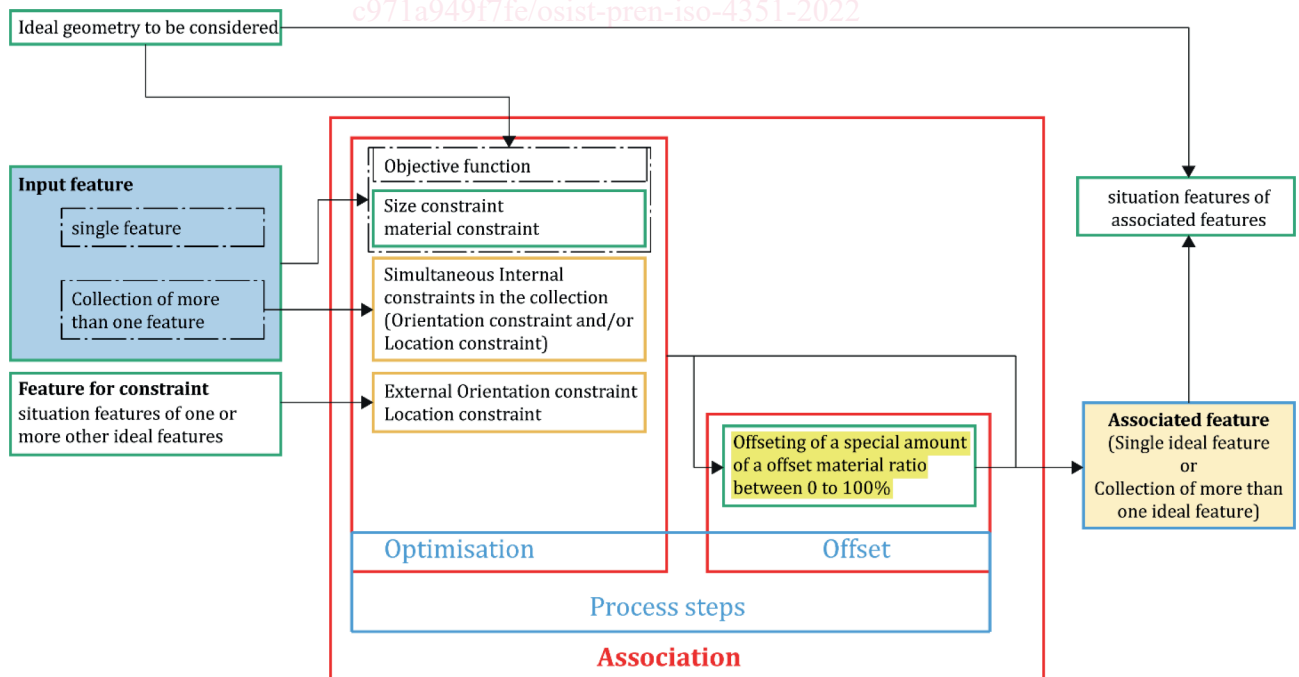


Figure 1 — Concept diagram illustrating the association process

The input feature (non-ideal feature) used to establish the associated feature is filtered or non-filtered.