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- a) StateMachine table format has been aligned.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62541 defines the *Information Model* associated with *Programs* in OPC Unified Architecture (OPC UA). This includes the description of the *NodeClasses*, standard *Properties*, *Methods* and *Events* and associated behaviour and information for *Programs*.

The complete *AddressSpace* model including all *NodeClasses* and *Attributes* is specified in IEC 62541-3. The *Services* such as those used to invoke the *Methods* used to manage *Programs* are specified in IEC 62541-4.

An example for a DomainDownload *Program* is defined in Annex A.

2 Normative references

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IEC 62541-1, *OPC Unified Architecture - Part 1: Overview and Concepts*

IEC 62541-3, *OPC Unified Architecture - Part 3: Address Space Model*

IEC 62541-4, *OPC Unified Architecture - Part 4: Services*

IEC 62541-5, *OPC Unified Architecture - Part 5: Information Model*

IEC 62541-16, *OPC Unified Architecture - Part 16: State Machines*

3 Terms, definitions and abbreviated terms

3.1 Terms and definitions

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3.1.1

Function

programmatic task performed by a *Server* or device, usually accomplished by computer code execution

3.1.2

Finite State Machine

sequence of states and valid state transitions along with the causes and effects of those state transitions that define the actions of a *Program* in terms of discrete stages

3.1.3

ProgramStateMachineType

type definition of a *Program* and is a subtype of the *FiniteStateMachineType*