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INTRODUCTION

Efficient process engineering requires highly sophisticated tools for the different needs of the involved work processes and departments. These engineering tools are normally specialized in Process Design (PD), in Process Control Engineering (PCE), etc. Therefore a working interoperability is essential to optimize the engineering process in total. Thus, the definition of a harmonized interface and data management is a core task to ensure a smooth workflow during the whole project and to guarantee data consistency in the different tools.

This standard defines procedures and specifications for the exchange of PCE relevant data provided by the Piping and Instrumentation Diagram (P&ID) tool. The basic requirements for a change management procedure are described. A generally accepted technology for machine information exchange, the Extensible Markup Language (XML) is used. Hereby, a common basis is given for information integration.

However, a definition for uniform semantics is still necessary. CAEX (Computer Aided Engineering eXchange) as it is defined in this document is an appropriate data format for this purpose. This concept of data exchange is open for different applications.

The main task of a data exchange is transporting/synchronizing information from the P&ID database to the PCE databases and vice versa. The owner's reference designation system and a unique description of the processing requirement is the key for a unique identification. For detailed information about representation of PCE loops in P&ID's see Clause 6.

The data exchange system may be a stand-alone, vendor independent application or a module in an engineering environment. The data between a P&ID tool and a PCE tool and vice versa is exchanged via CAEX.

After the data exchange, there are three places where information about the plant is stored. Both the proprietary databases of the considered tools include private and common information. Both are stored at different places and different divisions that are working on them. Hereby, the intermediate database CAEX only stores common information. In a wider approach, the intermediate database should store both common and private information. This becomes important if a third application is connected to the neutral database. If the intermediate database is used as a temporary data stream only (without storing the information in a file), the information will be lost after processing the data conciliation.

Figure 1 illustrates the information flow for the P&ID and the PCE database reconciliation. The data exchange is done via a neutral intermediate CAEX database, not directly from database to database. The intermediate CAEX database should be a file (for file based data exchange) or a stream (for network based data exchange). The term "CAEX database" within this standard has to be understood in this way, it does not denominate a database product as e. g. SQL.

Annex C of this standard contains the full XML schema of the CAEX Model. It is attached to this publication in XSD format.

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Figure 1 – Information flow between P&ID and PCE tool

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1 Scope

This International Standard specifies how process control engineering requests are represented in a P&ID for automatic transferring data between P&ID and PCE tool and to avoid misinterpretation of graphical P&ID symbols for PCE.

It also defines the exchange of process control engineering request relevant data between a process control engineering tool and a P&ID tool by means of a data transfer language (called CAEX). These provisions apply to the export/import applications of such tools.

The representation of the PCE functionality in P&ID'S will be defined by a minimum number of rules to clearly indicate their category and processing function, independent from the technique of realization (see Clause 6). The definition of graphical symbols for process equipment (e. g. vessels, valves, columns, etc.), their implementation and rules for the reference designation system are not in the scope of this standard. These rules are independent from this standard.

Clause 7 specifies the data flow between the different tools and the data model CAEX.

2 Normative references

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IEC 61346-1, Industrial systems, installations and equipment and industrial products – Structuring principles and reference designations – Part 1: Basic rules

IEC 61511-1, Functional safety – Safety instrumented systems for the process industry sector – Part 1: Framework, definitions, system, hardware and software requirements

ISO 10628, Flow diagrams for process plants – General rules

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

Extensible Markup Language (XML) 1.0 (Third Edition), W3C Recommendation 04 February 2004, available at http://www.w3.org/TR/2004/REC-xml-20040204/

3 Terms and definitions

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

3.1

actuator

functional unit that generates from the controller output variable the manipulated variable required to drive the final controlling element