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Abstract

The STEP PDM (Product Data Management) Schema is a reference information model for the exchange of a central, common subset of the data being managed within a PDM system. It represents the intersection of requirements and data structures from a range of STEP Application Protocols, all generally within the domains of design and development of discrete electro/mechanical parts and assemblies.

The STEP PDM Schema is *not* a specification for the functionality required for the complete scope of all PDM system functionality – i.e., it is *not* the union, but the intersection, of functionality present in the set of STEP Application Protocols. There exists functionality important for complete PDM functionality that is not represented in the PDM Schema, but is in other units of functionality present in STEP APs.

By definition, a PDM system is something that manages data about products. At the central core of PDM information is product identification. A product in STEP represents the concept of a general managed item within a PDM system. In the STEP PDM Schema, the general product concept may be interpreted as either a Part (see section 1) or a Document (see section 5). In this way, parts and documents are managed in a consistent and parallel fashion. Section 12 describes a mechanism to associate product data with an additional identifier (alias).

Also central to the functionality of many PDM systems is identification of external files (both digital and physical), their relationship to managed documents (see section 8), and how they can be associated with core product identification (see section 10). The external file reference mechanism in the STEP PDM Schema is described in section 7 of this document.

Classification of products is important in a PDM system for information classification and retrieval. It also supports basic type distinction between products that are parts and those that are documents. In the PDM Schema, product classification is used consistently for parts (see section 2) and documents (see section 6).

Product properties are integrally related to the definition of an identified product, and so are naturally also included in the central core PDM information. Sections 3 and 9 discuss properties associated with an identified product, interpreted, respectively, as either a part or a document.

Various general authorization and organizational data that are related to core product identification play an important role in PDM systems. Section 13 of this document describes the various organizational and management constructs that support product authorization in the STEP PDM Schema.

Product structures are the principle relationships that define assemblies and product configurations. Section 4 details part structures in the STEP PDM Schema; section 11 describes document structures. Configuration identification and effectivity information related to these structures is detailed in section 14.

Section 15 describes structures to manage the documentation of requests and corresponding orders for engineering action in support of the change management process. Also included are representations for contract and project identification.

Finally, Section 16 summarizes recommendations related to measures and units.

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Overview

Usage guide goal: to describe the recommended structure and attribute population for particular instance models created from the EXPRESS entities and types defined by the STEP PDM Schema. The selected instance models illustrate how to encode data values that need to be exchanged in support of key industry requirements common across the product manufacturing domain.

Usage guide status: Release 4.3 covers the entire scope of the PDM Schema. The maintenance of this document is guided by the PDM Implementor Forum where issues and clarifications are raised and resolved. Issues may be put forward to the points of contact identified on the cover page of this document.

Intended audience: developers of applications and information management systems that must use product data and exchange it with other systems and applications in support of the business processes related to product as_designed scope Anyone interested in the scope of the requirements supported by the STEP PDM Schema.

Intended use: manual and companion to the developer of STEP data exchange and translator software used by applications and information management systems that rely on product data. Guideline for consistent preprocessor instance model creation and requirement value encoding to enable meaningful information exchange between different systems and applications using STEP. Guideline for consistent interpretation by a postprocessor of a STEP Part 21 exchange file according to the unified STEP PDM Schema.

Usage guide style: overall document proceeds in an incremental, step-by-step fashion to describe, and in parallel to illustrate, the recommended instantiation of the EXPRESS entities and types in the PDM Schema.

The diagram figures are presented using a graphical notation intended to illustrate the instance model. This notation *is not* EXPRESS-G and *does not* illustrate the EXPRESS schema; rather it is a graphical illustration of a specific population of a particular instance model of the schema. This notation supports:

- illustration of entity instances,
- illustration and identification of referenced instances that are not fully illustrated in the current figure,
- illustration and identification of the multiple possible referenced instances corresponding to an attribute that has a select type as the value,
- indication of optional attributes and optional structure (dashed lines),
- illustration and identification of groups of functionally related instances (shaded bounding box),
- identification of specific attribute values (typically string values, may also be enumerated type values).

Each instance diagram figure is accompanied by a related STEP Part 21 exchange structure example. The example exchange file corresponds directly to the related instance model diagram and illustrates the very same thing using a different notation, i.e., STEP Part 21 syntax versus the graphical instance model notation.

Usage guide structure: the overall scope of requirements is partitioned into a set of major sections corresponding to identified units of functionality. Within a major section, there may be sub-sections. These sub-sections further divide the scope into smaller components of coherent functionality that interact with each other to realize the functionality of the entire unit.

There is generally a description of requirements and a corresponding instance diagram associated with each section and sub-section of this document. Each instance diagram is followed by a detailed explanation and specific recommendations for the EXPRESS entities used in the instantiation diagram example. The entity listing and explanation is in turn followed by the corresponding STEP Part 21 exchange structure example.

Within a section, diagrams corresponding to sub-sections incrementally build upon one another to finally achieve a complete instance model example that illustrates the entire scope of the unit of functionality.

General Information

Instantiation diagrams: the diagrams are presented using a graphical notation intended to illustrate the instance model. This notation is not EXPRESS-G, however, it does intentionally resemble it. The diagrams do not illustrate the EXPRESS schema, but illustrate a specific population of a particular instance model (or portion thereof) of the schema. A legend for the diagram notation is shown below:

illustration of entity instances and their attributes;
 identification of optional attributes;
 indication of specific attribute values, typically strings, may be enumerated values;
 identification of other document sections and referenced entity instances not fully illustrated in the current figure;

Entities and attributes not supported by the preprocessor: for various reasons, there may be some entities that cannot be completely exported by the preprocessor. Sometimes an application may not maintain all the information that is anticipated for the data exchange. Other times, the information may be maintained by a sending system but not included in the data exchange. Never the less, the preprocessor must provide values for all mandatory attributes in an exchange file. For mandatory string attribute values, the null (empty) string "has often been used when a preprocessor can provide no real user data. The default string value '/NULL' may be used for this purpose, as recommended by the European automotive industry. When no data is provided by a sending system for a string value, the preprocessor should use '/NULL' or the empty string ". To further indicate the reason why no data is provided, the following convention may be used:

- Empty string "indicates user data managed by the sending system but not provided for data exchange.
- String '/NULL' indicates user data in a mandatory attribute that is not managed by the sending system or currently not known.
- \$\\$ is used in the physical file, if an optional attribute is not instantiated.

It is generally not recommended to use the empty null string " or the default string '/NULL' as valid user data.

Entities and attributes not supported by the postprocessor: for various reasons, there may be some entities that cannot be completely imported by the postprocessor. The postprocessor translator implementation simply may not support the import of the entity. The receiving system may not maintain the information that is carried by an entity or attribute, or it may require specific attribute values that are not present in the input data. Entities and attributes not imported should list a reason in a history log file. Entities and attributes not supported by the receiving system should not cause a system failure. The minimum acceptable behavior should be to ignore the unsupported constructs.

Unspecified and optional attribute values: optional attributes without specific recommended values, such as the description attribute, are available on many entities in the PDM Schema. In general, use of this type of attribute is given the following recommendation:

Preprocessor - first, follow the usage guide as much as is possible - if some specific common harmonized user requirement has been documented in the usage guide for the attribute, try to adapt this requirement to

those you have identified (i.e., map the standard into your user domain). If no specific common harmonized user requirement has been documented in the usage guide, in general, such an optional attribute should not be instantiated. However, these attributes may be used in some bilateral agreements between exchange partners.

Postprocessor - any optional attribute with no specific mapping specified, in general, cannot be specifically interpreted in an interoperable way. While these types of attributes are in general not recommended to be instantiated, the postprocessor should gracefully handle any data that is exchanged using these attributes. A robust, interoperable PDM Schema processor will generally provide user access to the values exchanged.

Derived attributes: in general, derived attributes are not given with the description and recommendations for entities in the PDM schema. This is consistent with the STEP part 21 specification where derived attributes are not represented in an exchange file. Only in certain cases where special attention is required will such an attribute be presented and explained in this usage guide.

Implementation project specific values: attribute values recommended in this usage guide should be supported by systems conforming to the PDM Schema. Other values negotiated between exchange partners in specific projects may be used where the interpretation of their meaning does not contradict definitions provided in this usage guide. However, these agreements will not generally be interoperable solutions.

Leading and trailing blanks in STRING values: all white space within the single quote delimiters of a STRING value should be considered valid user data.

Uniqueness of identifiers: Identifiers cannot be unique in general. In the parallel management of internal and external identifiers in a database, duplicate identifiers may occur that can cause problems with the uniqueness rules defined in the EXPRESS schema. In those cases, the interpretation of the identifier can be logically extended by a prefix that identifies the organizational scope (id value of the organization related in role 'id owner') to help ensure uniqueness (see1.1.1.1). The unique rule shall be evaluated only in scope of the organization defined by the id_owner. Thus, a processor may utilize the organization identifier as a key to identifying a product.

Schema version identification: version identification for the PDM Schema shall be encoded in the header section of the STEP Part 21 exchange file to identify the version of the schema to which the file conforms. This is done with the header entity *file_schema*, which identifies the EXPRESS schemas that specify the entity instances in the data section. The attribute *schema_identifiers* contains a list of strings that name the schema, optionally followed by the object identifier assigned to that schema. In place of the object identifier, the PDM Schema version identification number shall be enclosed within curly braces. Only capital letters shall be used in schema name strings.

EXAMPLE: To indicate PDM Schema version 1.2, the following instance of the header entity file_schema should be used.

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
...
FILE_SCHEMA(('PDM_SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC;
```

Scope of the STEP PDM Schema

The STEP PDM Schema is a core set of entities in STEP that support the mapping of concepts for Product Data Management (PDM). This document and the PDM Schema are the result of a cooperative development process between ProSTEP and PDES, Inc. The PDM Schema has been established to promote interoperability between STEP APs in the area of product data management.

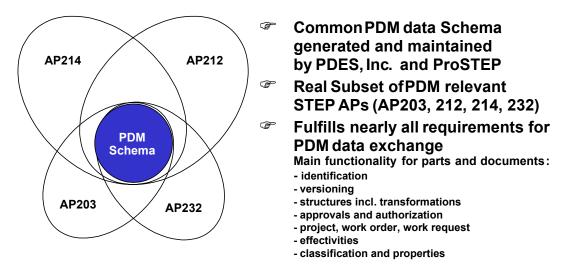


Figure 1: Positioning and Contents of the PDM Schema

This document introduces a set of functional areas that together describe the scope of functionality of the 1.2 release of the PDM Schema. These units of functionality suggest a modular structure for the PDM Schema

Units of Functionality

The product data management requirements addressed by the PDM Schema are organized into groupings of related concepts. These groups provide a logical grouping of AIM entities for the purpose of a clear structure within the PDM Schema. These groups suggest a modular structure for the PDM Schema in line with the current direction towards modularization of the technical contents of STEP integrated resources and Application Protocols.

The modular semantic units of functionality are listed below:

- Part Identification,
- Part Classification,
- Part Properties,
- Part Structure and Relationships,
- Document Identification,
- Document Classification,
- External Files,
- Relationships Between Documents and Constituent Files
- Document and File Properties,
- Document and File Association to Product Data,
- Document and File Relationships,
- Alias Identification,
- Authorization.

- Configuration and Effectivity Information, Work Management Data.

1 Part Identification

The PDM Schema manages all parts as products, according to a fundamental STEP interpretation of 'Part as Product'. Part identification is achieved using basic product identification. In addition, a product may represent a managed document and be identified according to the 'Document as Product' interpretation (see Section 5.1).

Part identification is the center for assignment of further product management data. As a consequence, at least one product identification (part or document) must be instantiated for the exchange of part/document data in the STEP PDM Schema.

The simple alias concept supports assignment of an alternate identifier to a product. This mechanism may also be used to alias other elements of product data.

Do not use the alias identification for the requirement of supplied part or document identification. This more complex alias relationship concept is specific for identification and renumbering of supplier's parts and documents. See Supplied Part Identification 4.5.4 and Alias Identification 12

1.1 Part as Product

The PDM Schema manages all parts as products. Identification of products in the STEP PDM Schema consists of three distinct concepts:

- Product Master Identification,
- Context Information,
- Type Classification.

Product master identification maintains the base part number, distinct part version identification, and information identifying a view definition. An identified part may be a single piece part or an assembly of arbitrary complexity.

Context information provides a scope and necessary circumstance for interpretation of product identification information.

Type classification distinguishes products representing parts from those that represent documents.

1.1.1 Product Master Identification

Product master identification supports the ability to uniquely identify a part. The identification of products in the STEP PDM Schema consists of three important and structurally distinct concepts:

- Base Identification,
- Version Identification,
- View Definition.

The master base identification maintains information common to all product versions and disciplines and/or life-cycle views. It contains the base product number and name. The base number should not be subject to any encoding of information into a single complex parse able string.

There must be at least one version assigned to a product base identification. The version information may represent a design revision or iteration in a design cycle of a part. There may be more than one version associated with a product master. The set of versions associated with a base product may be related together to represent the version history of that product. The product version collects all information among all associated disciplines and life-cycle view definitions.

It is recommended that at least one view definition be assigned to each product version. There may be two exceptions to this general rule:

- Supplied product identification, in which case a supplied product may be represented by only product version:
- Version identification and when version history is represented, where only the most recent current version is required to have an associated view definition.

The product definition view collects information relevant from the perspective of a particular application domain or life-cycle stage. There may be more than one life-cycle view definition associated with a particular version of a product. This is especially important to enable different views on product assembly structures.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of part master identification are illustrated in Diagram 1 below. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding is given in Example 1.

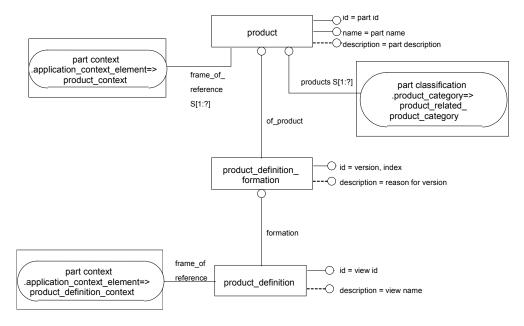


Diagram 1 : Part Master Identification Instance Diagram

1.1.1.1 product

The product entity represents the product master base information. This entity collects all information that is common among the different versions and views of the product. The product number is strictly an identifier. It should not be used as a 'smart string' with some parse able internal coding scheme, e.g., to identify version or classification information.

The product number identifier must be unique within the scope of the business process of the information exchange. This is typically not a problem when the product data is only used within a single company. If the data is being assembled for an external use, the identification must be interpreted as unique within that broader domain. Processors may need to evaluate more than one string (i.e., product.id) to establish unique identification of a part; there may be a combination of parameters that make part identification unique. The associated organization entity with the role 'id owner' can be used to derive a uniqueness parameter if the product.id attribute is not unique within the domain of the business arrangement of the exchange.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute stores the unique base identifier for a product, the product number.
- The *name* attribute stores the nomenclature, or common name, of the product.
- The *description* attribute should contain an expanded name or description of the product.
- Context information is stored in the *frame_of_reference* attribute. All products in STEP must be founded in some product_context. This requirement is discussed in more detail in 1.1.2.

ENTITY product	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	Unique within the scope provided
	product number identification	by organization in role 'id owner'
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	
frame_of_reference	type: entity = product_context	SET [1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: All preprocessors should use valid user (non-defaulted) data for the values assigned to the attributes id and name, as well as to the id of the organization related in the role 'id owner'. In populating the id attribute, the identifier must be unique within the scope of the related organization or person and organization in the role 'id owner'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should provide user access to the values of the attributes id and name, as well as the id of the organization related in the role 'id owner'.

Related Entities: The PDM Schema requires that all products exist in at least one product_category, to provide type classification information. This type classification requirement is discussed in 1.1.3.

It is strongly recommended that products have a related organization or person_and_organization that identifies responsibility for the original design of the part. The role of this assignment is identified as the 'id owner'. This is the organization or person_and_organization that defines the part and assigns the part number. See 13.1 for guidance on how to create the organization or person and organization entities.

In addition, the product may optionally be referenced by the following entities:

- applied_organization_assignment (or applied_person_and_organization_assignment) to represent the customer, or other associations of an organization to a product (see 13.1);
- product_related_product_category to classify a product with respect to specific criteria. One product_related_product_category is required to represent product type (see 1.1.3).

1.1.1.2 product_definition_formation

The product_definition_formation entity represents the identification of a specific version of the base product identification. A particular product_definition_formation is always related to exactly one product.

Each instance of product is required to have an associated instance of product_definition_formation. A single product entity may have more than one associated product_definition_formation. The set of these product_definition_formation entities represents the revision history of the product.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute uniquely identifies this version of the related product.
- The *description* attribute contains the reason for the creation of the version.
- The attribute *of_product* provides a link to the base product of which this entity represents a version.

ENTITY product_definition_formation	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	Unique in relation to the specified of product
	part version identification	oi_product
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL

ENTITY product_definition_formation	Attribute Population	Remarks
of product	type: entity = product	

Preprocessor Recommendations: If an organization does not version parts, it is recommended that the id attribute contain the string 'NULL' to indicate that no version information is relevant or intended. In this case only a single product_definition_formation for the part is possible. Some preprocessors have used an id value of 'ANY' to indicate that *any* existing revision of a component is valid for the parent assembly. This technique may reduce the amount of data sent in change packages, but it also reduces the ability to track the actual contents of parts lists at a particular change level.

Postprocessor Recommendations: If the value of the id attribute for a product_definition_formation is the string '/NULL', postprocessors should use this as an indication that the sending system or business process does not support versioning of parts. Postprocessors may also recognize an id value of '/ANY' as a generic revision of a part when it is involved as a component in an assembly. This has been used to indicate that *any* existing revision of the component is valid for use in the parent assembly.

Related Entities: In general, each product_definition_formation is recommended to have an associated product_definition representing the view definition for the part version. In restricted cases, a part version without a definition may be used to enhance information about another related, fully defined version. In two specific cases a part version may be exchanged without an associated view definition:

- 1. When version history (sequence relationship) is represented only the most recent version is required to have an assigned product_definition. If there is no product_definition associated with the previous versions, only basic information about the sequence of previous versions is exchanged as additional information about the current part version that is the focus of the data exchange;
- 2. Where a supplied item is identified using the alias relationship the supplier part version may not have an associated product definition.

In addition, a product definition formation may be optionally referenced by the following entities:

- product_definition_formation_relationship to associate two product versions with each other to characterize the version history;
- applied_organization_assignment (or applied_person_and_organization_assignment) to represent the update/modifier, customer, or other associations of an organization to a product version;
- applied_date_assignment (or applied_date_and_time_assignment) to represent various dates related to a product version;
- applied approval assignment to record the authorization status of a product version (see 13.2);
- applied_security_classification_assignment to record a level of security clearance for a product version.

1.1.1.3 product definition formation with specified source

The product_definition_formation_with_specified_source entity is a subtype of the entity product_definition_formation. This entity adds the attribute make_or_buy to indicate the source of the version - either 'made' or 'bought'. This entity is never used in the context of 'Document as Product', but it may be used in 'Part as Product' for compatibility with AP203. However, this make-versus-buy distinction can be ambiguous in the context of exchange - going down a supply chain, the sender is often 'bought' while the receiver is 'made', while in the other direction, the sender is 'made' and the receiver 'bought'. Because of this ambiguity the use of this entity is not generally recommended.

Attributes

• The *make or buy* attribute contains the source information.

ENTITY product_definition_formation_ with_specified_source	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	Same as supertype.	Same as supertype.

ENTITY product_definition_formation_	Attribute Population	Remarks
with_specified_source		
description	Same as supertype.	Same as supertype.
of_product	Same as supertype.	Same as supertype.
make_or_buy	type : source (enumeration)	not recommended

Preprocessor Recommendations: The use of this subtype is optional. It is not recommended in the general case. The source value is an enumerated type having possible values '.MADE.', '.BOUGHT.', or '.NOT KNOWN.'. '.MADE.' indicates the part is built within the company. '.BOUGHT.' indicates a vendor part, but this distinction can be unclear when the data is exchanged.

Postprocessor Recommendations: If this entity is encountered, the postprocessor should at a minimum process the information from the supertype entity product_definition_formation.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

1.1.1.4 product_definition

The product_definition entity represents the identification of a particular view on a version of the product base identification relevant for the requirements of particular life-cycle stages and application domains. View may be based on application domain and/or life-cycle stage (e.g., design, manufacturing). A view collects product data for a specific task. It is possible to have many product_definition views for a part/version combination.

The product_definition entity enables the establishment of many important relationships. Product_definition is the central element to link product information to parts, e.g., assembly structure, properties (including shape), and external descriptions of the product via documents.

The use of product_definition entities is not strictly required by rules in the PDM Schema, but it is strongly recommended. All product_definition_formation entities should always have at least one associated product definition, except in the case of supplied product identification and version history information.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute identifies which view of the product the particular instance represents.
- The *description* attribute specifies the word or group of words used to refer to the product definition.
- The *formation* attribute links to the product definition formation of which this represents a view.
- Context information is stored in the *frame_of_reference* attribute. All STEP product_definitions must be founded in some product_definition_context that identifies the application domain and life-cycle stage from which the data is viewed (see 1.1.2.).

ENTITY product_definition	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	must be unique in relation with a specific product_version
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
formation	type: entity = product_definition_formation	reference to the associated product_definition_formation
frame_of_reference	type: entity = product_defini-	reference to the associated
	tion_context	product_definition_context (see 1.1.2.4)

Preprocessor Recommendations: There is no standard mapping for the id attribute of product_definition, however the value should be unique relative to others related to the same product_definition_formation. Previous use of the id attribute on product_definition had sometimes 'overloaded' the unique identifier with informal life-cycle or organization information. This is not generally recommended for the PDM Schema -

this attribute should contain a unique identifier for the part view definition - no additional semantics are associated with this attribute in the PDM Schema.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Previous use of the id attribute on product_definition had sometimes 'overloaded' the unique identifier with informal life-cycle or organization information, this should not be expected in general or required for postprocessing.

Related Entities: A product definition may be referenced by the following entities:

- applied_identification_assignment to assign alias identifiers,
- product_definition_relationship to associate two product_definitions with each other to characterize various product structures.
- property definition to associate general properties,
- configuration design to associate configuration identification information,
- applied_organization_assignment (or applied_person_and_organization_assignment) (see 13.1),
- applied_date_assignment (or applied_date_and_time_assignment) to represent various dates related to a product definition,
- applied approval assignment to record the authorization status of a product definition (see 13.2),
- applied_security_classification_assignment to record a level of security clearance for a product_-definition,
- applied document reference to assign documents (external descriptions) to the product definition.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#30 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #20, '');
#40 = PRODUCT('part_id', 'part_name', 'part_description', (#30));
#60 =
PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('pversion_id', 'pversion_description',
#40);
#80 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION('view_id', 'view_name', #60, #90);
#90 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION CONTEXT('part_definition', #20, '');
```

Example 1: exchange file segment for part master identification

1.1.2 Context Information

Context information provides a scope and necessary circumstance for product identification information. It consists of two separate and related areas:

- Application Protocol Identification,
- Application Context Information.

Application Protocol identification is provided by the entity application_protocol_definition. It characterizes the STEP Application Protocol (AP) or similar working draft STEP specification that includes or uses the PDM Schema and provides the scope or general context for the exchange data set. The general context identifies the usage of the information within the scope of the PDM Schema, and may define the application domain which provides a basis for the interpretation of all information represented in the product data exchange. It is generally recommended that application protocol identification and general context information be handled structurally the same for 'Part as Product' and 'Document as Product' as for 'Product Concept'. A single instance of the entity application_context is typically referenced by all product_context and product_concept_context entities. This application_context instance is referenced by a single instance of the entity application protocol definition.

Application context information identifies the usage of the information within the scope of the PDM Schema. Application context information is divided into application domain information and product definition context information:

- The application domain is identified by the application_context entity. Each application domain is represented by an instance of application_context that is referenced by product view definitions (product view and type definition) which belong to the application domain;
- The product_definition_context carries information distinguishing the life-cycle stage (e.g., design, manufacturing) relevant to a particular product view definition as well as indication of the type of the definition e.g., part definition, functional definition.

Identification of a valid scope and context of interpretation for the identifier of a product is also required in the PDM Schema. This involves the assignment of an organization to the product, in the role 'id owner' to identify the scope of uniqueness and validity of the product id.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of context information related to basic product identification are illustrated in Diagram 2 below. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding is illustrated in Example 2.

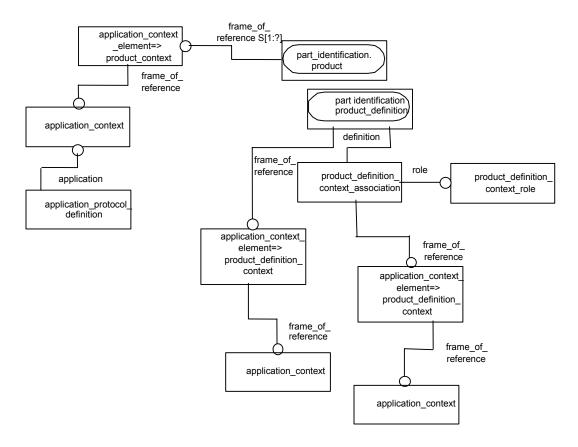


Diagram 2: Part Master with Context Information Instance Diagram

1.1.2.1 application protocol definition

The application_protocol_definition entity represents the identification of the STEP Application Protocol (AP) that specifies the scope and extent of the application domain appropriate for this information model. An AP that uses the PDM Schema should provide values for the attributes of this entity.

Attributes

- The *application_interpreted_model_schema_name* attribute identifies the name of the EXPRESS schema that specifies the information model used for the data representation and exchange.
- The *application protocol year* attribute identifies the year of publication of the specification.
- The *status* attribute provides information about the degree of maturity of the defining specification.
- The *applications* attribute provides a reference to the associated application context entity.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
application_protocol_definition		
application_interpreted_model_sche	type: label = text	If the PDM Schema is contained
ma_name	'pdm_schema'	within an Application Protocol,
		the AP name should be used.
application_protocol_year	type: year_number = integer	If the PDM Schema is contained
	2000	within an Application Protocol,
		the AP year should be used.
status	type: label = text	If the PDM Schema is contained
	'version 1.2'	within an Application Protocol,
		the AP status should be used.
applications	type: entity = application	
	context	

Preprocessor Recommendations: This entity should be instantiated exactly once in the data set. In some cases, an application protocol may support multiple application_contexts. The entity application_protocol_definition should reference the 'primary' defining application context for the product data that is being exchanged.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

1.1.2.2 application context

The application_context entity identifies the application domain that defined the data. The application_context entity may have an identifier associated with it through the entity id_attribute and its attribute_value attribute. The application_context entity may have a description associated with it through the entity description_attribute via the attribute attribute_value. It is not recommended to instantiate these optional values.

In the case of application protocol identification the application domain is optional, which provides a basis for the interpretation of all information represented in the product data exchange.

In the case of application context information, there exists a 'primary' application context for each product_definition. This is the value of the attribute product_definition.frame_of_reference; it is the frame_of_reference for the 'primary' product_definition_context (see 1.1.2.4). This 'primary' application context represents the defining application domain for each product_definition. Additional application domains may be associated with a product_definition through additional product_definition_contexts via the entity product_definition context association.

Attributes

• The *application* attribute identifies the name of the general application domain that defined the data.

ENTITY application_context	Attribute Population	Remarks
application	type: label = text	

Preprocessor Recommendations: This entity should be instantiated once in the data set for each relevant application domain. There is no standard mapping for the application attribute of application_context in the case of application protocol identification. Therefore application domain is optional in this case.

Where appropriate, the value 'assembly study', 'digital mock up', 'process planning', 'electrical design', or 'mechanical design' should be used.

NOTE - 'electrical design' and 'mechanical design' are not understood to mean the design life cycle - e.g., within the application domain 'mechanical design', you may have concurrent 'manufacturing' and 'design' life-cycle view definitions.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

1.1.2.3 product context

The product_context entity is a subtype of application_context_element. All STEP products must be founded in a product_context to specify the point of view on the application. The product_context entity identifies the engineering discipline's point of view from which the data is being presented. This entity will establish the context perspective and source of requirements for product entities (see 1.1.1.1).

Attributes

• The discipline type attribute contains a description of the discipline point of view for a product.

ENTITY product_context	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = text	
frame_of_reference	type: entity = application_context	
discipline_type	type: label = text	

Preprocessor Recommendations: It is recommended to instantiate this entity exactly once in the data set. There is no standard mapping for the name attribute of a product_context. There is no standard mapping for the discipline_type attribute.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Past use of the attribute discipline_type may result in values such as 'mechanical' or 'electrical'.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

1.1.2.4 product definition context

The product_definition_context entity is a subtype of application_context_element. All STEP product_definitions must be founded in a product_definition_context to identify the product definition type and life-cycle stage from which the data is viewed.

There are two ways to implement the product definition context in STEP:

- association of a single primary context with a product_definition,
- assignment of more than one (additional) context to a product_definition.

The value of the attribute product_definition.frame_of_reference is a product_definition_context that represents the 'primary' defining context for a view. In general this defining context is qualified both by type (product_definition_context.name) and by life-cycle (product_definition_context.life_cycle_stage) information. The primary context also has associated application domain information (see 1.1.2.2).

The product_definition_context_association entity allows for multiple additional contexts to be associated with a single product_definition. There is always one required 'primary' context that identifies the defining application domain and life-cycle information. Additional product_definition_context entities identify additional concurrent relevant views on the product_definition. These application_contexts are related to the product definition by product definition context association.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute indicates the type of view being defined.
- The *frame of reference* attribute is a pointer to the associated application context entity.
- The *life cycle stage* attribute identifies the life-cycle view on the associated product definition.

ENTITY product definition context	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = text	Distinguishes the type of the associated product_definition
frame_of_reference	type: entity = application_context	
life_cycle_stage	type: label = text	string appropriate to describe the life-cycle point of view

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute provides a distinction on the type of view on a part version ('part definition') from one of a document version ('digital document definition', 'physical document definition'). This attribute may also indicate other types of definitions: e.g., functional, or spatial and/or zonal

The attribute life_cycle_stage contains a description of the particular viewpoint from which the data may be interpreted. Recommended values include 'design' and 'manufacturing'. Preprocessors should identify life-cycle information for the defining 'primary' product_definition_context, they may also indicate additional relevant life_cycle_stage information with a second product_definition_context, related via the product_definition_context_association

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should interpret the value of the name attribute as a type distinction between various definitions of parts and documents. The life_cycle_stage attribute value may be interpreted as the relevant viewpoint from which the data is valid. Interoperable processors will understand life-cycle information from the defining 'primary' product_definition_context as well as any additional life-cycle information provided by other relevant product_definition_context entities related via the product_definition_context_association. The product_definition_context_association entity may or may not be present relating a product_definition with the 'primary' context information.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

1.1.2.5 product_definition_context_association

The product_definition_context_association entity allows for multiple additional contexts to be associated with a single product_definition.

With 'Part as Product', there is always one required 'primary' context that identifies the defining application domain and life-cycle information from which the data is viewed. This 'primary' context is the value of the attribute product_definition.frame_of_reference. Additional product_definition_context entities identify additional concurrent relevant views on the product_definition. These additional contexts are related to the product definition by the entity product definition context association.

Attributes

- The *definition* attribute provides a reference to the associated product definition entity.
- The *frame of reference* attribute is a pointer to the associated product definition context entity.
- The *role* attribute gives an optional role indication to the association.

ENTITY product_definition_context_ Association	Attribute Population	Remarks
definition	type: entity = product_definition	
frame_of_reference	type: entity = product_defini- tion_context	
role	type: entity = product_definit- ion_context_role	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations

Postprocessor Recommendations: Interoperable postprocessors should expect that a product_definition_context_association entity might be, or might not be, present to relate a product_definition with its 'primary' context information.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

1.1.2.6 product_definition_context_role

The product_definition_context_role entity provides a role string that is related to a product_definition_context association entity.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute provides the word or group of words by which the role is referred.
- The *description* attribute provides additional descriptive information related to the role.

ENTITY product_definition_context_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	'additional context'
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#10 = APPLICATION_PROTOCOL_DEFINITION('version 1.2','pdm_schema',2000,
#20);
#20 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#30 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #20, '');
#40 = PRODUCT('part_id', 'part_name', 'part_description', (#30));
#60=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('pversion_id','pversion_desc',#40);
#80 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION('view_id', 'view_name', #60, #90);
#90 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('part_definition', #20, '');
```

Example 2: exchange file segment for part master with context information

```
#10 = APPLICATION_PROTOCOL_DEFINITION('version 1.2', 'pdm_schema',2000,
#20);
#20 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('');
#30 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #20, '');
#40 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #20, '');
#60 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('pversion_id', 'pversion_desc',#40);
#80 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION('view_id', 'view_name', #60, #90);
#90 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('part definition', #100, 'design');
#100 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#110 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT_ASSOCIATION (#80, #130, #120);
#120 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT_ROLE ('additional context', $);
#130 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('', #100, 'manufacturing');
```

Example 3: exchange file segment for part master without application domain of application protocol identification and multiple application context information

1.1.3 Type Classification

Type Classification information provides the basic capability to distinguish between products interpreted as *parts* and those interpreted as *documents*. This capability also supports distinguishing between different types of parts, e.g., *detail*, *assembly*, or *standard* parts.

A 'detail' is a 'part' - it represents a part that is not broken down into other identified, managed component parts in a product structure. The value 'detail' is used to distinguish from 'assembly' if this is required when exchanging product structure.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of part type classification are illustrated in Diagram 3.

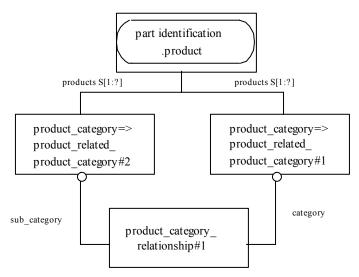


Diagram 3: Part Master with Part Type Instance Diagram

1.1.3.1 product_related_product_category

The product_related_product_category entity is a subtype of product_category. It represents the identification of a specific classification applied directly to a product. The name and description attributes are inherited from the supertype product_category. This subtype adds the attribute products that allow it to be associated (related) directly to a product instance.

NOTE - This classification relates to the process view on the product. It is not an indication whether or not the associated information is actually given in the file. For example a product might be classified as an assembled part despite the fact that the information on the product structure related to this assembly is not given in the file.

Attributes

• The *products* attribute associates the category with the product entity instances to which it applies.

ENTITY product_related_	Attribute Population	Remarks
Product_category		
name	type: label = string	The primary value to use is 'part' -
	'part', 'detail', 'assembly',	the values 'detail', 'assembly', and
	'standard'	'standard' indicate a further type
		distinction on the part.
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
products	type: entity = product	SET[1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: Preprocessors are recommended to always assign the type part as a common distinction between parts and documents or other kinds of configured items. Further possible type classifications like 'tool, 'raw material', or 'module' are valid. Other values such 'detail', 'assembly', or 'standard' may also be assigned, but should be related as sub-category to the primary 'part' using the product category relationship.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should recognize 'part' but also values of 'detail', 'assembly', and 'standard' as indicating the categorized product is a part.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

1.1.3.2 product_category_relationship

The product_category_relationship entity establishes a category-subcategory relationship between two product_category entities.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute gives the word or group of words by which the relationship is referred.
- The *description* attribute provides additional descriptive information about the relationship.
- The *category* attribute identifies the *super* category (more general) in the relationship.
- The *sub_category* attribute identifies the *sub* category (more specific) in the relationship.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
product_category_relationship		
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	
category	type: entity = product_related	
	product_category	
sub_category	type: entity = product_related	
	product category	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There is no standard mapping defined for the name attribute. The description attribute is optional, and may contain any appropriate or mutually-agreed-upon string.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should expect the category value to be a product_related_product_category with name 'part'. The value for the attribute sub-category will be a product_related_product_category with name 'detail', 'assembly', or 'standard' to further qualify the type of part.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#160 = PRODUCT('H24-1123.1', 'Fixture RX25B', '', (#20));
#170 = PRODUCT('DIN 932', 'Screw M3x15', '', (#20));
#250 = PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('part', $, (#10, #160, #170));
#260 = PRODUCT_CATEGORY_RELATIONSHIP('', $, #250, #270);
#270 = PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('detail', $, (#160));
```

Example 4: exchange file for part master with type classification

The following section combines the above discussed concepts and segments in a complete example.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the complete requirements of part master identification with context and part type classification are illustrated in Diagram 4. This figure also illustrates the recommended assignment of an organization to the product in the role 'id owner' to identify the scope (context of interpretation) for uniqueness and validity of the product id. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding for the complete part master is illustrated in Example 4.

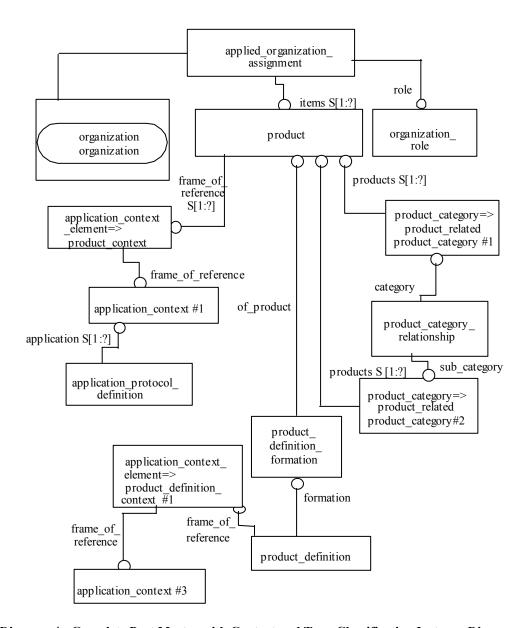


Diagram 4 : Complete Part Master with Context and Type Classification Instance Diagram

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE_DESCRIPTION(('test', 'file'), '2;1');
FILE_NAME('pid2_p21a.stp', '1999-05-03T21:03:29+00:00', ('N.N.'), (''),
'', '', '');
FILE_SCHEMA(('PDM_SCHEMA {1.2}));
ENDSEC;
DATA;
/* part #1 */
#10 = PRODUCT('K01-42051', 'Bicycle Bell RX 3', $, (#20));
```

```
/* part context */
#20 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #30, '');
#30 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#40 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION ('version 1.2', 'pdm schema',
2000, #30);
/* part versions for part #1 */
#50 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('02', 'lever modified', #10);
#60 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION ('03', 'upper housing modified',
#70 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION RELATIONSHIP('', 'sequence', $, #50,
#60);
/* definition of view on version 03 of part #1 */
/* primary life cycle stage = design, primary application domain =
mechanical design */
#80 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('/NULL', $, #60, #90);
#90 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #100, 'design');
#100 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
/* association of the id owner for part #1 */
#130 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#140, #150, (#10, #160, #170));
#150 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
/* information on person and organization */
#140 = ORGANIZATION('ABC27166', 'Onyx AG', 'location');
#540 = PERSON('sarah.rijker@onyx.com', 'Rijker', 'Sarah', $, $);
#550 = PERSON AND ORGANIZATION(#540, #140);
/* part #2 and part #3 */
#160 = PRODUCT('H24-1123.1', 'Fixture RX25B', '', (#20));
#170 = PRODUCT('DIN 932', 'Screw M3x15', '', (#20));
/* part versions for part #2 and part #3 */
#180 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('B', 'larger screw holes', #160);
#190 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('15', '', #170);
/* view definition for version of part #2 */
#200 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('/NULL', $, #180, #210);
#210 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #215, 'design');
#215 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
/* view definition for version of part #3 */
#220 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('/NULL', $, #190, #230);
#230 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #240, 'design');
#240 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
/* part discriminator for parts #1 - #3 */
#250 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#10, #160, #170));
#260 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #250, #270);
#270 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('detail', $, (#160));
#280 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #250, #290);
#290 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('assembly', $, (#10));
#300 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #250, #310);
#310 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('standard', $, (#170));
```

ENDSEC; END-ISO-10303-21;

Example 5: exchange file for complete part master with context and type classification

2 Specific Part Type Classification

A simple basic type of classification of products in STEP works by assigning categories to product data items. These categories are identified by name labels that define the related classification. This type of classification is referred to as specific classification.

NOTE - As an advanced requirement there might be the need to classify product data items according to a classification system with explicit reference to the classification criteria and related properties of the product data items. This classification mechanism is called general classification. The PDM Schema currently only supports the specific classification of product data items via assigned categories, which are defined by labeling them with a name.

2.1 Classification of parts and managed documents

The PDM Schema supports the specific classification of parts and managed documents. The specific part type classification can be used in addition to the basic part vs. document type classification mechanism.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of specific part type classification are illustrated in Diagram 5.

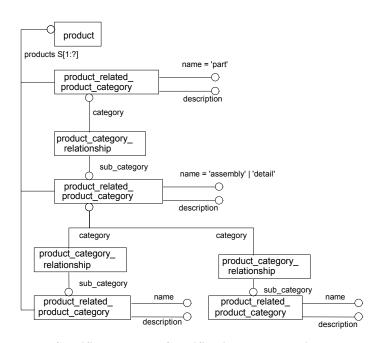


Diagram 5: Specific Part Type Classification Instance Diagram

2.1.1 product_related_product_category

The product_related_product_category entity is a subtype of product_category.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute identifies the category via a label.
- The *description* provides additional characterization for the product category.

• The *products* attribute associates the category with the product entity instances to which it applies.

ENTITY product_related_ Product_category	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = text	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
products	type: entity = product	SET[1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: For reasons of robustness (see postprocessor recommendations below) preprocessors should list all products in the attribute product_related_product_category.items that are either direct members of that category or which belong to sub-categories of this category. A given product category shall only be instantiated once in an exchange file.

It is recommended that all product_related_product_category instances used for the purposes of classification be interrelated in a single taxonomy. The root node of this taxonomy relates to the basic classification used to distinguish parts from documents. More specific categorizations are related to this basic category as sub-categories.

Since the specific classification capability relies exclusively on the name labels for the interpretation of the category semantics, exchanges of such information are only meaningful when the category names are agreed upon between the exchange partners. For the PDM Schema a basic hierarchy of categories for specific part classification is recommended (see Table 1). Exchange partners might extend that list based on bilateral agreements.

1 st level category	2 nd level category	3 rd level category	
Part	Detail	spare part	
	Assembly	prototype part	
	Standard		

Table 1: Basic Part Classification Hierarchy

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should also tolerate instances of product_category as opposed to product_related_product_category in the intermediate levels of a product category hierarchy definition. Processors should at least be robust enough to ignore the product_category instances. If these instances are ignored then the detailed information of the product category hierarchy is not completely transferred, nevertheless the assignment of products to basic categories is still maintained since these assignments always use product related product categories.

Related Entities: The entity product_category is a supertype of product_related_product_category that does not have the attribute products. Thus a product_category can only be used as an intermediate node in a classification hierarchy to which no products are directly assigned.

2.1.2 product category relationship

The product_category_relationship entity establishes a category-subcategory relationship between two product category entities.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute gives the word or group of words by which the relationship is referred.
- The *description* attribute provides additional descriptive information related about the relationship.
- The *category* attribute identifies the *super* category (more general) in the relationship.
- The *sub category* attribute identifies the *sub* category (more specific) in the relationship.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
product_category_relationship		
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	
category	type: entity = product_related	
	product_category	
sub_category	type: entity = product_related	
	product_category	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The PDM Schema does not have restrictions on potential nestings of category hierarchies besides that it is strongly recommended that the structure is a cyclic. Nevertheless preprocessing systems should be aware that not all post processing systems might support an arbitrarily deep structuring of hierarchy levels.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should at least support a two-level category hierarchy. This is in alignment with the requirement to process the basic product instance type classification, which is to be done on two levels for product entity instances that model parts being assemblies or details.

Related Entities: Instances of product_category_relationship relate instances of product_category and product_related_product_category.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE DESCRIPTION((''), '2;1');
FILE NAME('', '10.09.1999 14:18:28', ('n.n.'), (''), '', '', '');
FILE SCHEMA (('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC;
DATA;
#10 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #20, #30);
#20 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', '', (#40));
#30 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('detail', $, (#40));
#40 = PRODUCT('comp part', 'a part', '', (#60));
#50 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #30, #100);
\#60 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', \#70, '');
#70 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#80 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION ('version 1.2', 'pdm schema',
2000, #70);
#90 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #40);
#100 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('spare part', $, (#40));
#110 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #100, #120);
#120 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('independent product', $,
(#40));
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 6: exchange file segment for specific part type classification

3 Part Properties

The PDM Schema allows specifying properties associated with parts. A property is the definition of a special quality and may reflect physics or arbitrary, user defined measurements. A general pattern for instantiating property information is used in the PDM Schema. A number of pre-defined property type names are also proposed for use when appropriate.

A special case of part properties is that of the part shape property - a representation of the geometrical shape model of the part. Various relationships are defined between external geometrical models to represent geometric model structure and the associated transformation information required for digital mock-up of assembly structures.

3.1 General Part Properties

The PDM Schema allows specifying properties associated with product data by linking a representation of the property values to the object with which the property is associated.

The PDM Schema optionally allows property identification that is independent from the actual association of a property to product data. In this case, the property definitions of a given type are additionally associated to a single 'general' identification for the particular type of property. The general_property entity collects multiple property_definitions that are of the same type, which may be associated to different elements of product data.

3.1.1 Properties Associated with Product Data

The PDM Schema allows specifying properties associated with product data. To specify properties associated with product data, a property definition tree is instantiated that links a representation of the property values to the described object that is the object with which the property is associated. The type of the property is given by the value of the attribute property_definition.name.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of property definitions associated with product data are illustrated in Diagram 6.

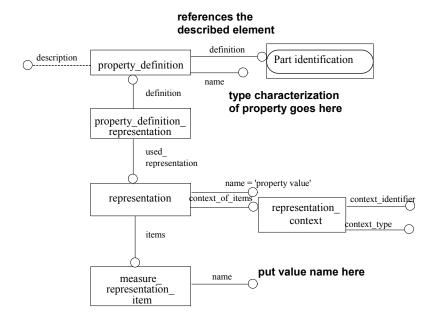


Diagram 6: Property Definition Associated with Product Data Instance Diagram

3.1.1.1 property_definition

A property_definition is, in the given context, a property that characterizes a part. In the given context, it applies to a product_definition that represents a life cycle and application domain specific view on a part.

ENTITY property_definition	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: identifier = string	Provides the property type name
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
definition	type: entity = here: product	References product_definition as
	definition	the element of part identification
		that is described by the property.

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute characterizes the kind/type of the property. For the property_definition.name attribute, a number of predefined names for specific properties exist. Preprocessor should use these values where applicable.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

3.1.1.2 property_definition_representation

A property_definition_representation is, in the given context, an association between a property and its representation.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
property_definition_representation		
definition	type: entity = property_defini-	References associated property
	tion	definition
used_representation	type: entity = representation	References associated representa-
		tion

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

3.1.1.3 representation

A representation, in the context of part properties, is a collection of one or more measure_representation_items related to a property definition via a property definition representation.

ENTITY representation	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = STRING	shall be instantiated with
		'property value'
items	type: entity = measure representation_item	the items that constitute the representation of the document property
context_of_items	type: entity = representation context	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute shall be instantiated as 'property value' to indicate that the representation relates to a property value.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

3.1.1.4 representation_context

The representation_context defines the context of interpretation for the values of items in a representation.

Attributes

- The *context_identifier* attribute identifies the context.
- The *context type* attribute specifies the type of the context.

ENTITY representation_context	Attribute Population	Remarks
context_identifier	type: label = string	
context_type	type: text = string	

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

3.1.1.5 measure representation item

A measure_representation_item is, in the property context, a value element that participates as an item in one or more representations to define the respective properties. The given numeric value is associated with the relevant unit.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
measure_representation_item		
name	type: label = STRING	the name attribute indicates the name of the represented property
value_component	type: select = measure_value	
unit_component	type: entity = unit	

Preprocessor Recommendations: For the unit_component it is recommend to do complex instantiations of named unit with si unit or named unit with conversion based unit

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

Example 7: exchange file segment for property definition associated with product data

3.1.2 Independent Property Identification

The PDM Schema also optionally allows property identification that is independent from the actual association of the property to product data. In this case, the property definitions of a given type are additionally associated to a single 'general' identification for the particular type of property.

The general_property entity collects multiple property_definitions of the same type by usage of the general_property_association entity. Multiple property definitions of the same type may exist and be associated to different elements of product data. The relationship between a general_property identification and a related property also indicates if the related property is 'definitional' (i.e., can be used to discriminate a given element against others) or 'non-definitional'.

The PDM Schema also supports the specification of relationships between two general property objects. These relationships may be used to indicate that the value of one property can be derived from the value of another property. The relationship is modeled using the entity general property relationship.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of independent property identification are illustrated in Diagram 7.

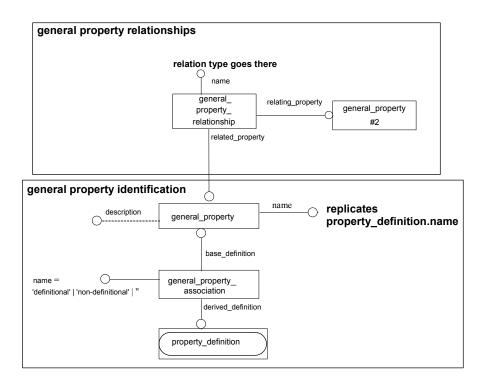


Diagram 7: Independent General Property Identification and Relationship Instance Diagram

3.1.2.1 General_property

A general_property identifies a property type/classification independently of the association of a definition of that type of property to product data.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute provides an identification of a general property.
- The *name* attribute stores the type of the described property.
- The *description* attribute can be used to provide a further description of the property type.

ENTITY general_property	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	Type: identifier = string	Recommended to be instantiated
		as "
name	Type: label = string	Characterizes the property
description	Type: text = string	OPTIONAL, provides further
		description of the property

Preprocessor Recommendations: General_property.name shall be replicated from the name attribute from the associated property_definition(s). For general_property.name a number of predefined names for specific properties exist. Preprocessor should use these values where applicable. The instantiation of a general_property in association to a property_definition is not mandatory.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: General_property is to be associated via general_property_association to the characterized property definition.

3.1.2.2 general_property_association

A general_property_association associates a given property with a general_property in order to collect property definitions of the same type. The entity also carries the information whether a given property can be used to distinguish the described object from others.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute indicates whether the described property can be used to distinguish the described element from others of the same kind.
- The *description* attribute can be used to provide a further description of the property type.
- The *base definition* attribute references the general property associated with the property definition.
- The *derived definition* references the characterized property definition.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
general_property_association		
name	type: label = string	Specifies whether the associated property_value object may be used to distinguish the described element from others of the same kind. A value of 'definitional' indicates that the associated property_value distinguishes it from others. The permissive list for the name attribute is 'definitional', 'non-definitional' or ".
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
base_definition	type: entity = general_property	
derived_definition	type: entity = property_definition	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The value of the name attribute may be used to indicate if the associated derived_definition is a defining and distinguishing property for the part definition that is described by the property.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: General property association relates a property definition and a general property.

3.1.2.3 general_property_relationship

A general_property_relationship asserts a relationship between two independently identified general property identifications. A typical example of the use of this entity is to describe the 'derived' relation type, where the relating_property is specified as being derived from the related_property.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute is used to describe the type of relationship between the properties.
- The *description* attribute can be used to provide optional further textual description.
- The *relating_property* attribute references the first of the related property pair.
- The *related_property* attribute references the second of the related property pair.

ENTITY general_property_relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
relating_property	type: entity = general_property	
related_property	type: entity = general_property	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The meaning of the relating_property and related_property attributes is specified further by the relation type indicated with general property relationship.name.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
/* Entity #5000 establishes a property of type 'mass' independently */
/* of any value assignment of that property to product data. */
#5000 = GENERAL PROPERTY('', 'mass property', $);
/* Entities #5010 and #5080 serve to collect all value assignments */
/* of the property of type 'mass' together under the independent */
/* general'mass' property definition */
#5010 = GENERAL PROPERTY ASSOCIATION ('non-definitional', '', #5000,
#5020);
#5080 = GENERAL PROPERTY ASSOCIATION('non-definitional', '', #5000,
#5090);
/* Entities #5020 to #5070 assert that the in #290 defined view */
/* of part2 has a mass of 3KG
#5020 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('mass property', $, #290);
#5030 = PROPERTY DEFINITION REPRESENTATION(#5020, #5040);
#5040 = REPRESENTATION('property value', (#5060), #5050);
#5050 = REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('', '');
#5060 = MEASURE REPRESENTATION ITEM ('mass', MASS MEASURE (3000), #5070);
#5070 = (NAMED UNIT(*) MASS UNIT() SI UNIT($,.GRAM.));
/* Entities #6090 to #6060 assert that the in #390 defined view */
/* of part2 has a mass of 6KG
#6090 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('mass property', $, #390);
#6030 = PROPERTY DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#6090, #6040);
\#6040 = REPRESENTATION('property value', (\#6060), \#6050);
#6050 = REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('', '');
#6060 = MEASURE REPRESENTATION ITEM ('mass', MASS MEASURE (6000), #5070);
```

Example 8: exchange file segment for independent property identification

3.1.3 Pre-Defined Properties

For the representation of part properties, a number of property types have been pre-defined. It is recommended to use these values for the property_definition.name attribute where applicable.

- **Recyclability property** A recyclability property is information concerning the ability to reuse objects or components of objects after their primarily intended usage. For recyclability properties of parts property_definition.name = 'recyclability property' shall be used.
- **Mass property** a mass property is a quantity of matter of which an object consists. For mass properties of parts property definition.name = 'mass property' shall be used.
- Quality property A quality property is a property that provides information about the level of quality of products or processes. A quality property documents, e.g., the level of quality reached for the parts prototypes. For quality properties of parts property_definition.name = 'quality property' shall be used.
- Cost property a cost property is a property that specifies costs. For cost properties of parts property definition.name = 'cost property' shall be used.

• **Duration property** - A duration property is a property that specifies a period of time during which a given object is used or will last. For duration property_definition.name = 'duration property' shall be used.

3.1.3.1 descriptive representation item

A descriptive_representation_item is in the property context a textual element that participates in one or more representations to define the respective properties.

- The *name* attribute characterizes the information modeled with the descriptive representation item.
- The *description* attribute defines a textual value as an instantiation of the modeled property.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
descriptive_representation_item		
name	type: label = STRING	
description	type: text = STRING	The description is the value associated with the representation item in textual form

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: The descriptive_representation_items for a given property are collected in a representation.

3.1.4 Additional Part Properties

Several implementations and pilot projects have identified the requirement to exchange additional properties beyond the pre-defined values given in 3.1.3. One example of such a user defined property is the notes/remarks related to a product. A remark is some text that while associated with a part does not identify or describe it. These general remarks associated with part meta data are mapped to descriptive_representation_items related to the product_definition via a property_definition. This instantiation structure captures the actual text of a note/remark as a remarks property in the STEP file. The property_definition.name = 'remarks property' may be used to identify such a property. An alternative external representation of related notes/remarks as a 'document' (see 5.1) or a 'file' (see 7.1) makes reference to, but does not capture the actual text.

3.2 External Part Shape

The PDM Schema generally represents part master data. This part 'meta' data does not typically represent the detailed geometry of the part shape - this is the scope of CAD systems. Rather, the externally defined geometry is identified as an external representation of the part shape that is related to the part master data.

Part geometry is identified in the PDM Schema as a representation of a property of a part definition. The external part shape represents an external model referenced to an external file that is associated to the PDM master file.

3.2.1 Geometric Shape Property

Part geometry is identified in the PDM Schema as a representation of a property of a part definition. As with general part properties, a representation of a property is identified and linked to the product definition by the entity property_definition. For the part shape property, property_definition is specialised to the subtype product_definition_shape.

The external part shape is represented by the entity shape_representation, a subtype of representation used in general part properties. Shape_representations model external models that are referenced in files associated to the PDM master file.

STEP Application Protocols define various subtypes of shape_representations with differing constraints on the allowable representation_items to explicitly represent the detailed geometric model. In the context of the PDM Schema, it is generally assumed that these subtypes of shape representation are not used.

In the scope of the PDM Schema it is generally assumed that shape_representations are placeholders for externally defined geometry. This geometry may be defined in STEP format as well as in native CAD format. In general it is not recommended to instantiate dedicated geometric elements as items of the shape_representations for PDM Schema files. However, certain detailed elements of the shape are required to be able to place and relate the external geometric models together. Therefore, placement information is placed in the set of items of each shape_representation. Placement information is modeled using the entity axis placement, a subtype of geometric representation item.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of independent property identification are illustrated in Diagram 8.

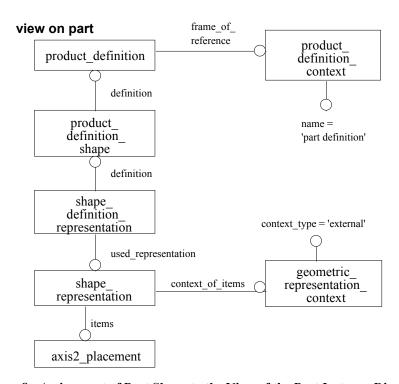


Diagram 8: Assignment of Part Shape to the View of the Part Instance Diagram

3.2.1.1 product definition shape

Product_definition_shape represents the shape of a product. The shape may be a conceptual shape for which a specific geometric representation is not required.

ENTITY product_definition_shape	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	no standard mapping exists should be instantiated as empty string

ENTITY product_definition_shape	Attribute Population	Remarks
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
definition	type: entity = product_definition	reference to an instance of
		product_definition to which the
		shape information is attached

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

3.2.1.2 shape_definition_representation

A shape_definition_representation links the definition of a shape, i.e., the product_definition_shape, with its representation, i.e., a shape_representation. For a given product_definition_shape alternative representations might be given by multiple occurrences of shape_definition_representation that each link a representation to one product definition shape.

Attributes

- The *definition* attribute is used to point to the product_definition_shape for which the representation of shape is provided.
- The *used_representation* references an instance of shape_representation that provides a representation of the part shape.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
shape_definition_representation		
definition	type: entity = product_definition_shape	
used_representation	type: entity = shape_representation	

Preprocessor Recommendations: Some APs allow the assignment of a role ('detailed representation' or 'idealized representation') to a shape_definition_representation by using *name_attribute*.named_item. However, it is recommended to use a document content property (see 9.2) to record this type of information instead of using *name_attribute*.attribute_value.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

3.2.1.3 shape representation

Shape_representation is a subtype of representation that is specifically used to represent shape information. The shape information represented is either the complete shape of a part or corresponds to a specifically identified portion of a part shape. For the PDM schema it is generally recommended to explicitly link instances of shape_representations to the corresponding part master data. This linkage can either be established via product_definition_shape or the usage of shape_aspect together with product_definition_shape.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute unambiguously identifies the geometric model within the CAD environment.
- The *items* attribute collects the items of the shape representation.
- The *context_of_items* attribute references a geometric_representation_context that establishes the coordinate space for the shape_representation.

ENTITY shape_representation	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	
items	type: set of representation items	a set of representation_items that are related in the context_of_items
context_of_items	type : entity = geometric_representation_context	reference to an instance of geometric_representation context or an complex instance of (geometric_representation context, global_uncertainty assigned_context)

Preprocessor Recommendations: Some APs allow the assignment of a version to a shape_representation by using *version_assignment*.assigned_id with fixed value: *version_assignment*.role.name = 'version id'. It is recommended not to assign versions to shape representations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: A shape_representation is in the PDM Schema always referenced by at least one instance of shape_definition_representation. The shape_definition_representation relates the shape_representations either to a property_definition (defining the shape property of an identified portion of a part shape) or an instance of product_definition_shape representing the complete shape of a part.

3.2.1.4 geometric representation context

The geometric_representation_context defines the coordinate space in which the geometric model defined by a shape representation resides.

Attributes

- The *context_identifier* attribute identifies the coordinate system.
- The *context type* attribute specifies the type of context.
- The *coordinate_space_dimension* attribute defines the dimensionality of the coordinate space.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
geometric_representation_context		
context_identifier	type: label = string	
context_type	type: text = string	should be instantiated with
		'external'
coordinate space dimension	type: dimension_count =	it is recommend to instantiate
	INTEGER	with 3

Preprocessor Recommendations: The explicit representation of geometry is not in the scope of the PDM Schema. The PDM Schema supports exclusively shape_representations that are externally defined. Thus the context type attribute should be instantiated with 'external'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: geometric_representation_context specifies the coordinate system for the use by shape_representations.

3.2.1.5 geometric representation item

Geometric_representation_items are items for product data representation with the additional meaning of having geometric context. Geometric_representation_items are subtyped to a variety of entities in the context of geometric representations. The subtypes relevant for the PDM Schema are axis2_placements that can be used to define transformations between shape representations.

Attributes

• The *name* attribute is used to name the geometric_representation_item.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
geometric_representation_item		
name	type: label = string	

Preprocessor Recommendations: only subtype of geometric representation item should be instantiated.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: most relevant in the scope of the PDM Schema is axis2_placement_3d to define transformation information.

3.2.1.6 axis2_placement_3d

Axis2_placement_3d is a geometric_representation_item that specifies the location and orientation in three-dimensional space of two mutually perpendicular axes.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute provides a name for the placement.
- The *location* attribute defines the spatial position of the reference point and origin of the associated placement coordinate system.
- The *axis* attribute defines the exact direction of the local Z axis.
- The *ref direction* attribute can be used to determine the direction of the local X axis.

ENTITY axis2_placement_3d	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	
location	type: entity = cartesian_point	
axis	type: entity = direction	OPTIONAL
ref_direction	type: entity = direction	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: If necessary an adjustment to ref_direction has to be made to maintain orthogonality to the axis direction. If axis or ref_direction are omitted, these directions are taken from the geometric coordinate system.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#290 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION('p2v', 'view on part2', #280, #130);
/* Entities #600 to #660 define the geometric model for 'part2' */
#600 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_SHAPE('shape_p2',$,#290);
#610 = SHAPE_DEFINITION_REPRESENTATION(#600,#620);
#620 = SHAPE_REPRESENTATION('sol2',(#670),#630);
#630 = GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('c2','external',3);
```

```
/* Entities #640 to #670 are the elements of shape representation */
#640 = CARTESIAN_POINT('', (3.0E+001, 0.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
#650 = DIRECTION('', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#660 = DIRECTION('', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#670 = AXIS2 PLACEMENT 3D('', #640, #650, #660);
```

Example 9: exchange file segment to associate shape to part views

3.2.2 Portions of the Part Shape

The PDM Schema supports the requirement to identify explicitly a portion of shape that may be associated with other information – including dedicated geometric models. Property information can be linked to shape aspects via property definitions. A prominent special case is the assignment of dedicated shape_representations as shown in the diagram below. The shape_representation can either represent the part shape completely or just partial geometry.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of independent property identification are illustrated in Diagram 9.

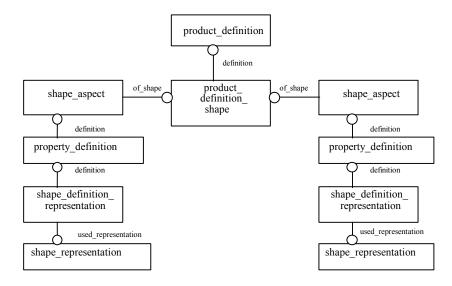


Diagram 9: Identification and Representation of Portions of Part Shape Instance Diagram

3.2.2.1 shape aspect

An instance of shape_aspect is used to identify a portion of a part shape. To this portion of the part shape properties can be associated with the portion. Typically the geometric elements that establish the shape_aspect are collected in a shape_representation which is related to the shape_aspect via instances of property_definition and shape_definition_representation. In cases in which a shape_representation deliberately represents only portions of an overall part shape it is recommended to relate this shape_representation to the part shape via the usage of shape_aspect.

Attributes

- The *name* is the organizational name of the shape aspect.
- The *description* attribute provides an optional textual description of the shape aspect.
- The *of_shape* attribute references the product_definition_shape of which the shape_aspect is a portion.
- The *product_definitional* attribute indicates whether the portion of shape lies on the physical boundary of the part shape.

ENTITY shape_aspect	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = STRING	
description	type: text = STRING	OPTIONAL
of_shape	type: entity = product_defini- tion_shape	
product_definitional	type: LOGICAL	If a value of TRUE is given, then it is asserted that the shape_aspect is on the physical boundary of the product_definition_shape.

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

Example 10: exchange file segment for identification of shape portions

3.2.3 Relating Externally Defined Part Shape to an External File

The PDM Schema generally represents part master data. This part 'meta' data does not typically represent the detailed geometry of the part shape - this is the scope of CAD systems. Rather, the externally defined geometry is identified as an external representation of the part shape that is related to the part master data. Part geometry is identified in the PDM Schema as a representation of a property of a part definition - it is actually in externally referenced files. These files are often generated by CAD systems, and contain the detailed geometric shape representation with dedicated geometric elements.

The external part shape is an external geometric model related to the part master data and is referenced as an external CAD file. Specifics of external file identification are described in Section 7. The external file that contains the detailed geometry is attached to the part master data in two ways:

- Related to the product identification data using applied document reference.
- Related to the shape_representation representing the external geometric model using the entities property definition and property definition representation.

It is recommended that applied_document_reference be used, in general, to relate an external file representing the CAD model to the product_definition of a part identification (see Section 10). If the external file representing the CAD model exists alone as an unmanaged external file reference, then the document_reference should be applied directly from the document_file (see Section 10.2). If the external file representing the CAD model exists as a constituent file of a managed document (using the 'Document as Product' approach), the document_reference should be applied from the managed document via the document_product_equivalence (see Section 10.1).

If the CAD file contains the definitional shape of the part, then an external geometric model should be represented (using shape_representation) and the external CAD file should also be related to this shape_representation using property_definition and property_definition_representation.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of relating part shape to the external CAD file is illustrated in Diagram 10.

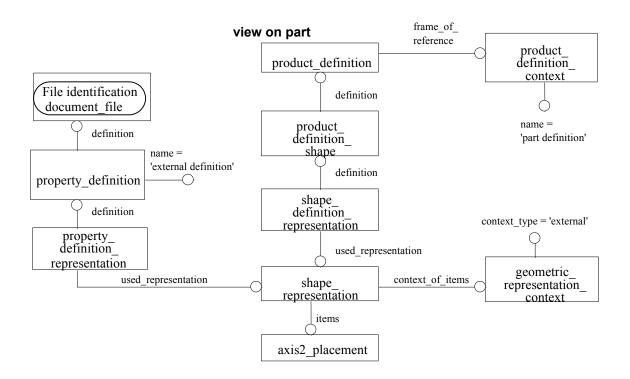


Diagram 10: Part Shape Related to External File Instance Diagram

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

/* Entities #370 to #497 define a managed document which */

```
/* contains a representation of the shape of 'part2'
#370 = PRODUCT('p2 shape doc', 'document reflecting
         shape of part2', '', (#20));
#380 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('document', '', (#370));
#390 = DOCUMENT TYPE('configuration controlled document version');
#400 = DOCUMENT('', '', #390);
#410 = APPLIED DOCUMENT REFERENCE(#290, 'equivalence', (#400));
#420 = OBJECT ROLE('mandatory', '');
#430 = ROLE \ ASSOCIATION(#420, #410);
#440 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #370);
#450 = DOCUMENT PRODUCT EQUIVALENCE ('equivalence', '', #400, #440);
#460 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ('digital document definition', #10,
#470 = PRODUCT DEFINITION WITH ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS ('p2 shape d',
   'digital document for part2 shape', #440, #460, (#475));
#475 = DOCUMENT FILE('p2 shape file', '', '', #485, '', $);
#480 = DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE ('digital', #475);
#485 = DOCUMENT TYPE('');
#490 = IDENTIFICATION ROLE('local node', 'access context');
#495 =APPLIED EXTERNAL IDENTIFICATION ASSIGNMENT(
'part1 geometry.stp', #490, #497, (#475));
#497 = EXTERNAL SOURCE('c:\part dir');
/* Entities #600 to #660 define the geometric model for 'part2' */
#600 = PRODUCT DEFINITION SHAPE('shape p2',$,#290);
#610 = SHAPE DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#600, #620);
\#620 = SHAPE REPRESENTATION('sol2', (\#670), \#630);
#630 = GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('c2','external',3);
#640 = CARTESIAN POINT('', (3.0E+001, 0.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
\#650 = DIRECTION('', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
\#660 = DIRECTION('', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#670 = AXIS2 PLACEMENT 3D('', #640, #650, #660);
/* Entities #680 and #690 indicate that the shape representation #620 /
/* is externally defined by the file represented by #475
#680 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('external definition', $, #475);
#690 = PROPERTY DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#680, #620);
```

Example 11: exchange file segment for externally defined geometry in managed documents

```
/* Entities #500 to #560 define the geometric model for 'part1' */
#500 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_SHAPE('shape_p1',$,#230);
#510 = SHAPE_DEFINITION_REPRESENTATION(#500,#520);
#520 = SHAPE_REPRESENTATION('sol1',(#570),#530);
#530 = GEOMETRIC_REPRESENTATION_CONTEXT('c1','external',3);
#540 = CARTESIAN_POINT('', (1.0E+001, 0.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
#550 = DIRECTION('', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#560 = DIRECTION('', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#570 = AXIS2_PLACEMENT_3D('', #540, #550, #560);

/* Entities #575 to #585 state that the shape_representation #520 */
/* is externally defined in a digital file with the location */
/* 'part2_geometry.stp' */
#575 = APPLIED_DOCUMENT_REFERENCE(#576,(#230));
#576 = DOCUMENT_FILE('p1_shape','',$,#577,'',$);
#577 = DOCUMENT_TYPE('geometry');
#578 = ROLE ASSOCIATION(#579,#575);
```

```
#579 = OBJECT_ROLE('mandatory',$);
#580 = DOCUMENT_REPRESENTATION_TYPE('digital',#576);
#581 = IDENTIFICATION_ROLE('local node','access context');
#582 = APPLIED_EXTERNAL_IDENTIFICATION_ASSIGNMENT(
'part2_geometry.stp',#581,#583,(#576));
#583 = EXTERNAL_SOURCE('c:\part_dir');
#584 = PROPERTY_DEFINITION('external definition',$,#576);
#585 = PROPERTY_DEFINITION REPRESENTATION(#584,#520);
```

Example 12: exchange file segment for externally defined geometry in flat files

3.2.4 Splitting shape into multiple shape representations

Diagram 11 depicts the instantiation for a part with more than one shape representation, where the total representation of the part shape is obtained by summing up all representations. In the particular case illustrated in Diagram 11, the shape is represented by a collection of CAD files.

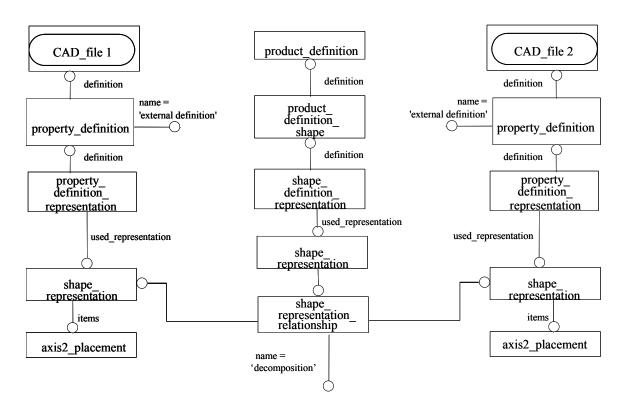


Diagram 11 Shape representation split into multiple CAD files

3.3 External Geometric Model Structure

External geometric models may be related together to form hierarchical geometric model structures. The orientation and location of two shape_representations relative to each other can be defined using a subtype of shape_representation_relationship that references a transformation. For example, one might want to specify such a transformation to geometrically relate representations of the part shape in order to relate the shape of components in an assembly structure for digital mock-up applications.

3.3.1 Relating Part Shape

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of relating shape representations is illustrated in Diagram 12.

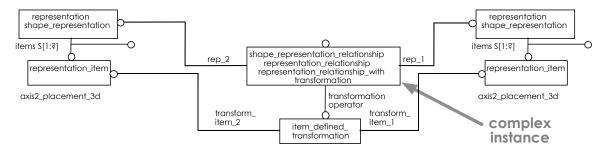


Diagram 12: Relating Shape Representations with Transformation Instance Diagram (item defined transformation example)

3.3.1.1 shape_representation_relationship

The entity shape_representation_relationship_is a subtype of representation_relationship. The subtype adds specific local constraints that ensures that it defines a relationship between two shape_representations. To define a relationship between two shape_representations that is established via a transformation, a complex instantiation of shape_representation_relationship_AND representation_relationship_with_transformation is used.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute is used to name the relationship. The name of the relationship can be used to indicate the type of the relationship established. Relationships may be established to capture semantics as 'is derived from', 'should be oriented against' or 'decomposition'.
- The *description* attribute can be used to provide optional further textual description.
- The *rep 1* attribute references the first of the related shape representations.
- The *rep* 2 attribute references the second of the related shape representations.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
shape_representation_relationship		
name	type: label = string	May characterize the type of the relationship
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
rep_1	type: entity = shape_representation	
rep_2	Type: entity = shape_representation	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The meaning of the rep_1 and rep_2 attributes is specified further by the relation type indicated by the attribute shape_representation_relationship.name.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

3.3.1.2 representation_relationship_with_transformation

The entity representation_relationship_with_transformation_is a subtype of representation_relationship. The subtype adds the attribute transformation_operator as a reference to a transformation. To define a relationship between two shape_representations that is established via a transformation, a complex instantiation of shape_representation_relationship_AND representation_relationship_with_transformation is used.

NOTE - A shape_representation_relationship between instances of shape_representation does not necessarily imply a relationship in the sense of decomposition of a given part shape. A decomposition type of relationship can be assumed when shape_representations which are linked to shape_aspects of a product_definition_shape are related to a shape_representation declared to represent the same product_definition_shape in total, i.e., a shape_representation linked to the product_definition_shape with an instance of shape_definition_representation.

Attributes

- The name attribute is used to name the relationship and may characterize the relation type.
- The *description* attribute can be used to provide optional further textual description.
- The *rep_1* attribute references the first of the related shape_representations.
- The *rep_2* attribute references the second of the related shape_representations.
- The *transformation_operator* attribute specifies the transformation operator that defines the relationship.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
shape_representation_relationship		
name	See shape_representation_relationship	
description	See shape_representation_relationship	OPTIONAL
rep_1	See shape_representation_relationship	
rep_2	See shape_representation_relationship	
transformation_operator	type: entity item_defined_transforma-	
	tion or functionally_defined_transfor-	
	mation	

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#520 = SHAPE_REPRESENTATION('sol1', (#570), #530);
#530 = GEOMETRIC_REPRESENTATION_CONTEXT('c1', 'external', 3);
#540 = CARTESIAN_POINT('', (1.0E+001, 0.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
#550 = DIRECTION('', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#560 = DIRECTION('', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#570 = AXIS2_PLACEMENT_3D('', #540, #550, #560);
#1070 = SHAPE_REPRESENTATION('s_assembly', (#1110, #1140), #1080);
#1080 = GEOMETRIC_REPRESENTATION_CONTEXT('ca', '', 3);
#1110 = AXIS2_PLACEMENT_3D('', #1090, #1095, #1100);
#1120 = CARTESIAN_POINT('', (1.0E+001, 1.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
#1125 = DIRECTION('', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#1130 = DIRECTION('', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#1220 = (REPRESENTATION_RELATIONSHIP('', '', #520, #1070)
REPRESENTATION_RELATIONSHIP_WITH_TRANSFORMATION(#1230)
SHAPE REPRESENTATION RELATIONSHIP());
```

#1230 =ITEM DEFINED TRANSFORMATION('p1t','',#1110,#570);

Example 13: exchange file segment for relating shape representations

3.3.2 Relating portions of shape to each other

By using the above described shape_representation_relationship concept, geometric relations of individual portions of shape defined as shape_aspects can be represented. If the portions of the shape together represent the part shape completely, geometric relationships between the shape_representations representing the individual shape_aspects and the shape_representation representing the product definition shape should be defined.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of relating portions of shape are illustrated in Diagram 13.

NOTE - the portions of shape related to each other are not necessarily portions of the same part shape. This capability might as well be used to e.g., define geometric orientations of the faces of a tool and a part for a machining operation.

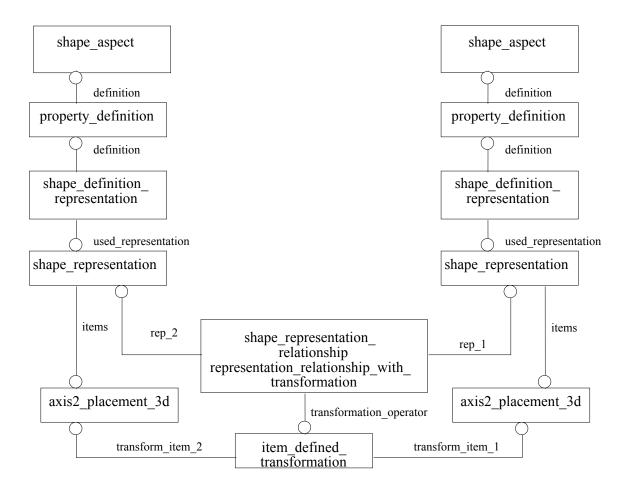


Diagram 13: Specifying Geometric Relations between Portions of Shape Instance Diagram

3.3.3 Additional Geometric Model Structures

Several implementations and pilot projects have identified the requirement to handle multiple feature shapes associated with a single part.

One example is an alternate geometry representation for a part shape or a partial shape, e.g., simplified, other geometry type. The relationships of the alternate geometry representations can be defined by a representation_relationship (with e.g., name='derived' to state that the simplified geometry is derived from the original geometry).

Another example is the definition of auxiliary geometry not being part of the shape, e.g., tooling, test equipment or some object to provide scale of new design geometry. In this case the shape_representation is linked to a product_definition by using property_definition. Product_definition_shape is not used. The auxiliary geometry may be related to the part geometry to describe the geometric relationship.

3.4 Relative Orientation and Location of Related Geometric Models

The relative orientation and location of two shape_representations to each other can be defined with the shape_representation_relationship that reference transformations. One might want to specify such transformations to geometrically relate representations of portions of the part shape to relate the shape of components in an assembly structure in order to define the geometric relations.

The PDM Schema supports two methods to define geometric relationships between external models:

- implicitly by identifying two items that establish a reference relationship via an item_defined_-transformation,
- *explicitly* with the help of a functionally_defined_transformation. It is generally recommended that cartesian_transformation_operator be used to define a functionally_defined_transformation.

3.4.1 Implicitly defined transformations between geometric models

A relationship can be defined implicitly by referencing an item_defined_transformation that has two reference points to specify origin and target of the transformation.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of implicit definition of transformation between the elements of two representations are illustrated in Diagram 14.

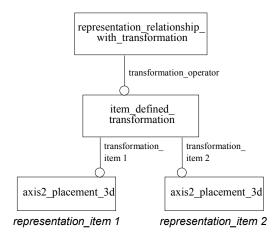


Diagram 14: Implicitly Defined Geometric Relations Instance Diagram

3.4.1.1 item_defined_transformation

An item_defined_transformation models a transformation performed by defining two representation_items before and after applying the transformation function. The transformation function is not explicitly provided, but it is derived through its relationship to the representation items.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute provides a name for the transformation.
- The *description* attribute can be used to provide optional further textual description.
- The *transform item 1* references the first item (origin for the transformation).
- The *transform_item_2* attribute references the second item (target for the transformation).

ENTITY item_defined_transformation	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
transform_item_1	type: entity = representation_item	here: axis2_placement_3d
transform item 2	type: entity = representation item	here: axis2 placement 3d

Preprocessor Recommendations: To be meaningful the item_defined_trasnformation with axis2_placement_3d requires that the representations that include transfrom_item_1 and transform_item_2 share the same geometric representation context.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

3.4.2 Explicitly defined transformations between geometric models

Relationships between geometric models can be made modeled in an explicit manner by using instances of cartesian transformation operator.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of explicit definition of transformation between the elements of two representations is illustrated in Diagram 15, Diagram 16, and Diagram 17.

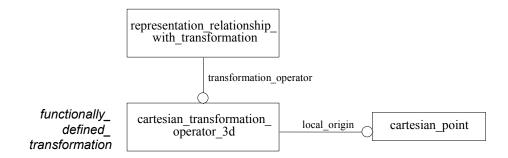


Diagram 15: Explicit Representation of a Translation Instance Diagram

The scale attribute with a positive value different from 1.0 allows uniform scaling in addition to translation or identity.

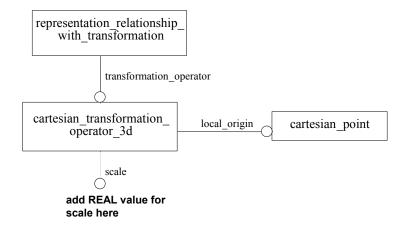


Diagram 16: Explicit Representation of a Translation with Scaling Instance Diagram

An additional rotation or mirroring requires the definition of the three **axis** attributes. If all optional attributes are set, a composition of all kinds of transformation is possible.

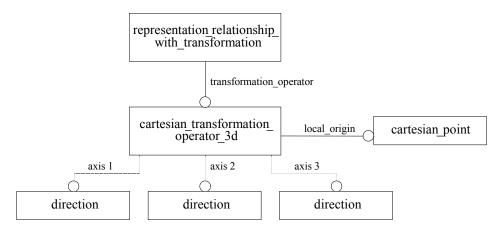


Diagram 17: Explicit Representation of a Translation with Rotation Instance Diagram

3.4.2.1 cartesian_transformation_operator

Cartesian_transformation_operator defines a geometric transformation composed of translation and rotation. Mirroring and scaling should not be used in the context of representing the geometric equivalent for an assembly structure. There are two subtypes of cartesian transformation operator:

- cartesian_transformation_operator_2d,
- cartesian transformation operator 3d.

Attributes

- The name attribute (inherited from supertype representation_item) provides a naming capability.
- The *name* attribute (inherited from functionally_defined_transformation) provides a naming capability.
- The *description* attribute can be used to provide optional further textual description.
- The *axis1* attribute is the X axis direction of the transformation target.
- The *axis2* attribute is the Y axis direction of the transformation target.

- The *local_origin* attribute is the required translation specified as a cartesian point. The actual translation included in the transformation is from the geometric origin to the local origin.
- The *scale* attribute is the scaling value specified for the translation.
- The *axis3* attribute is the Z axis direction of the transformation target.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
cartesian_transformation_operator		
representation_item.name	type: label = string	
functionally_defined_transformati	type: label = string	
on.name		
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
axis1	type: entity = direction	OPTIONAL
axis2	type: entity = direction	OPTIONAL
local_origin	type: entity = cartesian_point	
scale	type: REAL	OPTIONAL
axis3	type: entity direction	OPTIONAL
		Attribute specific to cartesian
		transformation_operator_3d

Preprocessor Recommendations: A cartesian_transformation_operator is a subtype of geometric_representation_item, and has attributes populated with geometric entities. In consequence an instance of a cartesian_transformation_operator must be founded in (i.e., must exist as an element of) a shape_representation. It is thus recommended that the cartesian_transformation_operator be referenced as an item of the shape_representation that is the value of the attribute rep_2 of a shape_representation_relationship (e.g., the 'parent' shape_representation). In the context of an assembly, the rep_2 attribute points to the assembly definition as a target for the transformation of the component instance shape. This recommendation interprets the transformation to be part of the assembly shape rather than of the component shape.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

A cartesian_transformation_operator_3d defines a geometric transformation composed of translation, rotation, mirroring and uniform scaling. Depending on what kind of transformation is implemented, certain optional attributes are required. With only local_origin given as an attribute, the transformation may be an identity or a translation.

3.4.3 Conversion from Implicit to Explicit Transformation Information

In STEP, there are two possibilities of representing a transformation between two geometric models. In an implicitly defined transformation the item_defined_transformation entity is used with two representation_items (mostly axis2_placement_3ds) before and after applying the transforming function. In an explicitly defined transformation, this function is given by an instance of cartesian_transformation operator. The operations allowed in this context are rotation and translation.

The intention of this section is to demonstrate how to extract the transforming function from an item_defined_transformation and model to an explicitly defined transformation from this information. Therefore, an example is constructed. First, the implicit way is shown, then the conversion will be calculated and finally the explicit representation is described.

Implicitly defined transformation

To implicitly define a transformation between two representation_items, the following entities and attributes are needed (see Diagram 18)

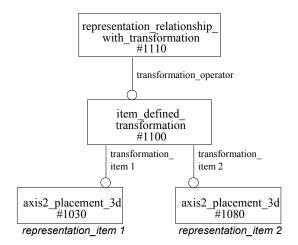


Diagram 18: Implicit Transformation Instance Diagram

This structure can be rediscovered in the following fragment from a Part 21 file:

```
/* representation_item 1 */

#1000=CARTESIAN_POINT('', 1.0, 1.0, 3.0);
#1010=DIRECTION('', 0.0, -0.8660254, 0.5);
#1020=DIRECTION('', 1.0, 0.0, 0.0);
#1030=AXIS2_PLACEMENT_3D('', #1000, #1010, #1020);

/* representation_item 2 */

#1050=CARTESIAN_POINT('', 2.0, 2.0, 1.0);
#1060=DIRECTION('', 0.0, 0.0, 1.0);
#1070=DIRECTION('', 0.7071068, 0.7071068, 0.0);
#1080=AXIS2_PLACEMENT_3D('', #1050, #1060, #1070);

/* transformation */

#1100=ITEM_DEFINED_TRANSFORMATION('', '', #1030, #1080);
#1110=REPRESENTATION_RELATIONSHIP_WITH_TRANSFORMATION('', '', #800, #900, #1100);
```

Example 14: file segment for implicitly defined transformation

Conversion

The first step is now to extract the two matrices implicitly given by each of the two placements. The axis2_placement_3d has a name, a location and two axes as attributes. The axes are the axis and ref_direction attribute, where axis is the placement Z axis direction and the ref_direction is an approximate to the placement X axis direction. From this information, a right-handed coordinate system is computed:

Let z be the placement Z axis direction and a be the approximate placement X axis direction. Approximate here means that a and z are not required to be orthogonal. Then the exact placement X axis direction is given as $x = \langle a - (a \cdot z)z \rangle$ and the placement Y axis direction calculates to $y = \langle z \times x \rangle$. For the first representation item, the following calculations would result:

axis:
$$z = \begin{pmatrix} 0.0 \\ -0.8660254 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$
, ref_direction: $a = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 \\ 0.0 \\ 0.0 \end{pmatrix}$,

therefore $x = \langle a - (a \cdot z)z \rangle = \langle a - 0z \rangle = a$ because z and a are already orthogonal in this example.

Next step is calculating
$$y$$
 using the vector product: $y = \langle z \times x \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0.0 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.8660254 \end{pmatrix}$.

So the geometric function which leads from the coordinates of the global coordinate system to those of the first axis placement is represented by the rotation matrix A given by the three vectors x, y and z plus the translation vector t given by the axis2_placement_3d's location attribute:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.5 & -0.8660254 \\ 0.0 & 0.8660254 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad t = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 \\ 1.0 \\ 3.0 \end{pmatrix}$$

In the same way, the matrix B and the vector u are computed from the second axis placement:

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7071068 & -0.7071068 & 0.0 \\ 0.7071068 & 0.7071068 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 1.0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad u = \begin{pmatrix} 2.0 \\ 2.0 \\ 1.0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Geometrically, the matrix A defines a 60° rotation around the global X axis and the matrix B gives a 45° rotation around the global Z axis.

To get the explicit transformation from the information gained so far, the matrices have to be combined. The idea is as follows: To move a point from a location within the first placement into a location within the second one, three steps have to be made:

- 1. First, the point has to be multiplied with the inverted matrix A^{-1} to undo the rotation, which occurs when going from the global coordinate system into the first placement system.
- 2. Next, multiply it with the second matrix B to get it into the right position for the target placement.
- 3. Finally, a translation vector is needed to put the point into its correct location within the second axis placement. Calculation of this vector can be seen below.

As A is a rotation matrix, the inverted matrix $A^{-1} = A^{T}$, the transposed matrix. Steps 1 and 2 can be combined:

$$C = BA^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7071068 & -0.3535534 & -0.6123724 \\ 0.7071068 & 0.3535534 & 0.6123724 \\ 0.0 & -0.8660254 & 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

The translation vector needed is

$$v = u - Ct = \begin{pmatrix} 3.4835639 \\ -0.8977775 \\ 0.3660254 \end{pmatrix}$$

This means moving any point P from a location within the first placement into the second one follows the calculation

$$P' = C \cdot P + v$$

Explicitly defined transformation

This information will now be used in a Part 21 file example, using an instance of the cartesian_transformation_operator_3d to perform a translation with rotation, where the columns of the matrix C are the three axis attributes and the vector v is the local_origin attribute. The structure of the file is shown in the following diagram:

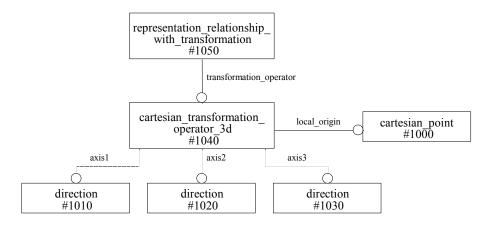


Diagram 19: Explicit Transformation Instance Diagram

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
/* translation vector v */
#1000=CARTESIAN_POINT('', 3.4835639, -0.8977775, 0.3660254);
/* rotation matrix C */
#1010=DIRECTION('', 0.7071067811865, 0.7071067811865, 0.0);
#1020=DIRECTION('', -0.3535533905933, 0,3535533905933, 0.8660254037844);
#1030=DIRECTION('', -0.6123724356958, 0.6123724356958, 0.5);
```

```
/* transformation */
#1040=CARTESIAN_TRANSFORMATION_OPERATOR_3D('', '', $, #1010, #1020,
#1000, $, #1030);
#1050=REPRESENTATION_RELATIONSHIP_WITH_TRANSFORMATION('', '', #800,
#900, #1040);
```

Example 15: file segment for explicit transformation

3.5 Known issues

3.5.1 Material properties

Some application protocols such as AP214 use specific subtypes to specify material properties. These subtypes are currently not included in the PDM Schema.

3.5.2 Mapping of part properties in AP 214

The requirement to represent properties for parts is in AP214 always mapped onto an AIM structure that extends the property_definition tree with a general_property. In consequence, AP214-compliant implementations are forced to always instantiate general_property when part properties shall be represented. We feel that this is not adequate, since PDM systems in general do not have the capability to distinguish between properties related to parts and properties as a general characterization criteria independent from the actually present product data population.

4 Part Structure and Relationships

The STEP PDM Schema supports explicit hierarchical product structures representing assemblies and the constituents of those assemblies. This explicit part structure corresponds to the traditional engineering and manufacturing bill of material indentured parts list. Relationships between part view definitions are the principle elements used to structure an explicit part assembly configuration. The relationship itself represents a specific *usage occurrence* of the constituent part definition within the immediate parent assembly definition. Mechanisms to represent quantity associated with this assembly-component usage relationship are also provided.

The PDM Schema also has the capability to identify and track a specified usage of a component definition in an assembly at a higher level than the immediate parent subassembly. Consider a wheel-axle subassembly composed of one axle and two wheels, the right and the left. A higher-level chassis assembly is in turn composed of two wheel-axle subassemblies, the front and the rear. The requirement to individually identify the left-front wheel, for example, is supported by this capability.

Different view definitions of the same version of a part may participate in different explicit product structures. For example, a design/as-planned view of a particular version of a part, representing the design discipline part definition, may be engaged in an explicit design assembly structure. A manufacturing/as-built view of the same part version represents the definitional template for the actual physical part, and may participate in a manufactured assembly structure that is different from the design assembly structure. Finally, a support/as-maintained view of the part version representing the physical part definition may participate in yet another different disassembly structure.

In addition to hierarchical assembly structures, the STEP PDM Schema supports relationships between parts to characterize explicit alternates and substitutes for the assembly. Other relationships between part definitions exist to characterize the make from relationship and for supplied part identification.

4.1 Explicit Assembly Bill Of Material

The STEP PDM Schema supports explicit hierarchical assembly structures representing assemblies and the constituents of those assemblies. A constituent of an assembly may itself also be an assembly (a subassembly), which in turn is made up of constituents. Detail components make up the leaves of these hierarchical part structures. This explicit part structure corresponds to the traditional engineering and manufacturing bill of material parts list.

Each individual node in this hierarchy is represented by a part master identification. The relationships are made between product_definition entities representing a view definition of the part master. The relationship itself represents the usage occurrence of a constituent definition within the immediate parent assembly definition. In the simplest form, this structure corresponds to a basic indentured parts list (see Figure 2).

Part List

- Hub Assembly
 - disc with holes
 - cap
 - sleeve sub-assembly
 - gasket
 - · cylinder

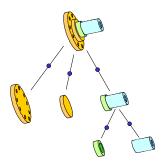


Figure 2: Basic Indentured Part List

Each node in the assembly structure breakdown is a part master identification, representing the definitional template for the part. The nodes in the product structure each have a corresponding entry in the part list, with indenture level corresponding to depth in the structure.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of basic explicit assembly structure are shown in Diagram 20.

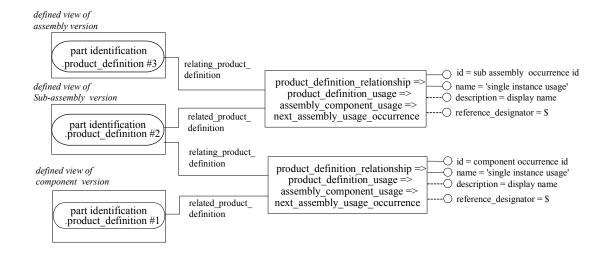


Diagram 20: Explicit Assembly Instance Diagram

4.1.1.1 assembly component usage

This entity represents the general relationship between two part master identifications, one a definition of a component and the other a definition of the parent assembly. This entity is normally not recommended to be instantiated as itself, but is typically instantiated as the subtype next_assembly_usage_occurrence. This subtype represents a unique individual occurrence of the component definition as used within the parent assembly. The assembly_component_usage is only instantiated as itself if there is an explicit requirement to represent the general relationship between a component and an assembly definition.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute provides a unique identifier for the relationship.
- The *name* attribute provides a general nomenclature for the relationship.
- The *description* attribute allows for additional text that further may describe the relationship.
- The *relating product definition* attribute is a reference to the parent assembly.
- The *related product definition* attribute is a reference to the constituent of the assembly.
- The *reference designator* attribute is optional.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
assembly_component_usage		
id	type : identifier = string	Should be unique in combination with a given relating (parent) and related (child) product_definition.
name	type : label = string	

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
assembly_component_usage		
description	type : text = string	OPTIONAL
relating_product_definition	type : entity = product_definition	reference to assembly
related_product_definition	type : entity = product_definition	reference to component
reference_designator	type : identifier = string	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: No cyclic product_definiton_relationship structures may be defined. The value of the id attribute must be unique in combination with the same relating assembly and related component definitions. It is generally recommended that only subtypes of assembly_component_usage be instantiated. It is not recommended to instantiate the optional reference_designator attribute for an instance of assembly_component_usage. In an assembly_component_usage, the attribute reference_designator may be instantiated with a string of reference designators used for that component in the assembly. If information on the assembly type is to be represented, then the name attribute of the product_definition referenced via relating_product_definition should be used. Examples of such type information are 'functional assembly', 'manufacturing assembly', and 'design assembly'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: When importing an instance of assembly_component_usage as itself, postprocessors should interpret this as representing the general assembly-component relationship.

Related Entities: None specified.

4.1.1.2 next_assembly_usage_occurrence

This entity is a subtype of assembly_component_usage. It represents a single individual occurrence of a component definition as used in an immediate next higher parent assembly. The id attribute contains a unique instance identifier for the individual component occurrence.

Preprocessor Recommendations: No cyclic product_definiton_relationship structures may be defined. The value of the id attribute must be unique between the same assembly and component definitions. The name attribute may be used to record the item find number corresponding to the particular instance of the component as called out on an engineering drawing. It is recommended the description attribute contain an instance display name label for the usage occurrence, if one exists. The reference designator attribute is optional: it may be used to represent a positional designation for the component within the assembly.

For AP214 compatibility, preprocessors may generate an instance of product_definition_context_-association to relate a product_definition representing an assembly to a product_definition_context named 'assemblydefinition'. The presence of such an additional context named 'assembly definition' indicates that the product_definition has component structure provided beneath it within the STEP exchange file, i.e., it is referenced as relating in an assembly_component_usage relationship.

NOTE - this information is inherent in the exchange file – in general it may be obtained by simply traversing the product structure provided in the file.

Postprocessor Recommendations: When importing an instance of next_assembly_usage_occurrence as itself, postprocessors should interpret this to represent a single individual usage occurrence of the component definition within the parent assembly definition.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
/* primary application context and life cycle stage */
#10 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #10, '');
```

```
#230 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #10, 'design');
/* optional AP214 specific characterization for assembly definition */
#340 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('assembly definition', #10, '');
#520 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#460, #350, #340);
/* type discriminator for part as product */
#100 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#380, #440));
/* part master for component definition */
#360 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('detail', $, (#380));
#380 = PRODUCT('g1', 'gasket', $, (#220));
#390 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#380);
#400 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('gv1', 'design view on gasket', #390, #230);
/* part master for assembly definition */
#420 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('assembly', $, (#440));
#440 = PRODUCT('s1', 'sleeve assembly', $, (#220));
#450 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#440);
#460 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('sv1', 'design view on sleeve assembly',
#450, #230);
/* single usage occurrence of component defn within assembly defn */
#530 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('gul', 'single instance usage',
   'gasket usage 1', #460, #400, $);
```

Example 16: exchange file for explicit assembly

4.1.2 Quantified Component Usage

The basic explicit assembly represents a single occurrence of the component definition within the assembly definition. Multiple occurrences of a constituent used in an assembly are represented in two ways in the PDM Schema:

- quantified usage occurrence,
- multiple individual usage occurrences.

The quantified usage occurrence associates a quantity with the component usage, but does not allow independent identification of individual occurrences when a component definition is used multiple times.

The PDM Schema uses separate single usage occurrences to represent multiple occurrences of a component within an assembly when the various components must be distinguished individually (see 4.1.3).

The quantified usage occurrence associates a quantity value with the multiple use of a component definition in the parent assembly definition. The quantified usage occurrence simply relates a quantity value with the multiple component occurrences; it does not distinguish the individual occurrences independently. The quantified usage occurrence is most commonly used for standard component parts, such as fasteners, that need to be quantified but do not need to be individually distinguished. This structure corresponds to a basic indentured parts list with the associated part quantity values (see Figure 3).

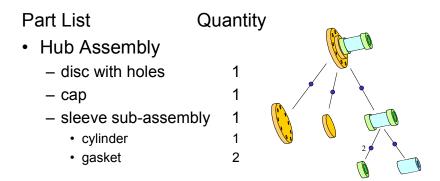


Figure 3: Indentured Parts List with Associated Quantity

As with the basic indentured parts list, each node in the part structure breakdown is a part master, representing the definitional template for the component or assembly. The nodes of the product structure each have a corresponding entry in the part list, with the indenture level corresponding to depth in the assembly structure. The quantity of each usage occurrence is identified in the parts list - the single occurrence usage has an implicit quantity of one. In this example, the relationship between the gasket component definition and the parent sleeve subassembly is represented by a quantified component usage to denote two occurrences of the gasket definition used in the parent sleeve subassembly.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements for quantified assembly structure are shown in Diagram 21.

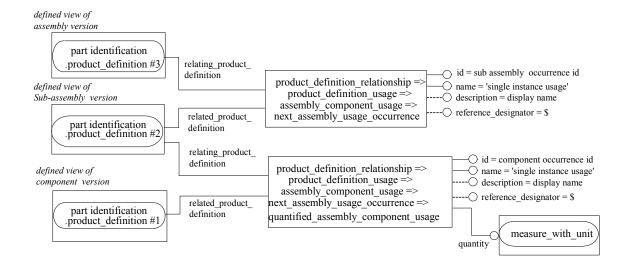


Diagram 21: Quantified Assembly Instance Diagram

4.1.2.1 quantified assembly component usage

This entity is a subtype of assembly_component_usage. When the quantified_assembly_component_usage is required, it should be created as an AND instantiation with the next_assembly_usage_occurrence. It adds the attribute quantity to identify the number of occurrences of the constituent definition that are used in the parent assembly. With the quantified_assembly_component_usage, multiple individual occurrences of the constituent part are not distinguished independently.

Attributes

• The *quantity* attribute gives the number of usage occurrences of a component within an assembly.

ENTITY quantified_assembly_component _usage	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	see supertype	
name	see supertype	
description	see supertype	OPTIONAL
relating_product_definition	see supertype	reference to assembly
related_product_definition	see supertype	reference to component
reference_designator	see supertype	OPTIONAL
		should not be instantiated
quantity	type : entity = measure with unit	

Preprocessor Recommendations: This entity should be instantiated when quantities greater than one need to be represented, but when the individual occurrences do not need to be independently distinguished. This is created as a "complex" instance of next_assembly_usage_occurrence AND quantified_assembly_component_usage. For a quantity of one, a simple instance of next_assembly_usage_occurrence alone may be used. However, quantified_assembly_component_usage needs to be used if the number of occurrences is specified by a specific unit, e.g., the usage of "one liter of oil" as a component in an assembly.

Postprocessor Recommendations: When importing an instance of next_assembly_usage_occurrence AND quantified_assembly_component_usage, a quantity value of one should be interpreted as equivalent to the simple next_assembly_usage_occurrence.

Related Entities: None specified.

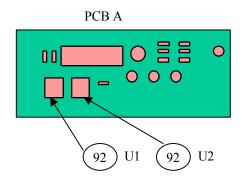
The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

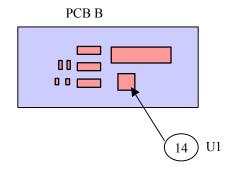
```
/* primary application context and life cycle stage */
#10 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #10, '');
#230 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #10, 'design');
/* type discriminator for part as product */
#100 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#380, #440));
/* part master for component definition */
#360 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('detail', $, (#380));
#380 = PRODUCT('g1', 'gasket', $, (#220));
#390 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#380);
#400 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('gv1', 'design view on gasket', #390, #230);
/* part master for assembly definition */
#420 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('assembly', $,(#440));
\#440 = PRODUCT('s1', 'sleeve assembly', $, (\#220));
#450 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#440);
#460 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('sv1', 'design view on sleeve assembly',
#450, #230);
/* quantified multiple use occurrence of component within assembly */
#860 = DIMENSIONAL EXPONENTS(0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000,
   0.0E+000, 0.0E+\overline{000}, 0.0E+000);
#870 = NAMED UNIT(#860);
#880 = MEASURE WITH UNIT (COUNT MEASURE (2), #870);
#890 = (ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE($) NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE()
   PRODUCT DEFINITION RELATIONSHIP ('quQqum', 'quantified instance
usage',
   'quantified usage of gasket', #460, #400) PRODUCT DEFINITION USAGE()
   QUANTIFIED ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE (#880));
```

Example 17: exchange file for quantified component usage

Illustrated Example: Parts Lists and Item Find Number

The following example illustrates the mechanical drawing and corresponding parts list for two typical example assembly parts, PCA A and PCA B. Each drawing illustrates the use of the item find number.





Parts list for PCB A

Find number	Part number	Description	Remarks	Quantity
90	con1001	Connector		1
91	scr2101	Screw		3
92	mem801	Memory	U1,U2	2

Parts list for PCB B

Find number	Part number	Description	Remarks	Quantity
13	res225	Resistor		1
14	mem801	Memory	U1	1

Figure 4: Illustrated example of drawings, associated parts lists, and item find numbers

In the example above, the same component (part number mem801) is used in both assemblies PCB A and PCB B. However, the item find number is different for each assembly. The item find number assigns to the component a name that is specific to the assembly in which it is being used. In the PDM Schema, the item find number may be assigned to the name attribute of next assembly usage occurrence.

ISO 6433-1981 has the concept called "item references". This concept is simply the callout of a component on an assembly drawing via a number which is identified by the same number in the parts list. The find number is a unique identifier when multiple uses relationships (such as to Quantified_Assembly_Component_Usage) are created. For example, when quantities vary by effectivity, a find number is required. The "Find Number" on the relationship "lists parts masters" between the parts lists document and the component.

The drawing find number is used to identify components in drawings. Similarly drawing find number assigns to the component a name that is specific to a drawing in which the component is being used. The mapping of drawing find number or item reference should be between the drawing or drawing parts list and the component. The concept of 'drawing find number' should not be mapped to next_assembly_usage_occurrence.name between the assembly and the component but should be used in the relationship between the component and the drawing of the assembly.

In the PDM Schema the item find number may be assigned to the name attribute of next_assembly_usage_occurrence. The same attribute should be used if the part occurrence is instantiated as quantified_assembly_component_usage.

4.1.3 Multiple Individual Component Occurrences

The basic explicit assembly represents a single occurrence of the component definition within the assembly definition. Multiple occurrences of a constituent used within an assembly are represented in one of two ways in the PDM Schema:

- quantified usage occurrence,
- multiple individual usage occurrences.

The quantified usage occurrence identifies the component quantity, but does not allow independent identification of the individual occurrences when a component definition is used multiple times (see 4.1.2).

The PDM Schema uses separate single usage occurrences to represent multiple occurrences of a component within an assembly when the various components must be distinguished individually. Multiple occurrences of a component within an assembly must be individually identified to allow separate ids, display names, reference designation, or related property information, including shape and orientation/transformation information.

For example, consider a component that is a flexible pipe. The geometrical representation assigned to the definition of that component may be a simple I shaped tube. The geometrical representation associated with one occurrence of the pipe positioned in a parent assembly may be an S shape, as constrained by the assembly environment. A second occurrence of the pipe definition may be used in the same parent assembly, but in a different position. The geometrical representation assigned to this occurrence may be an L shape due to different constraints from the different position of the component within the parent assembly.

This structure corresponds to a basic indentured parts list with the associated part quantity values where the individual component occurrences are individually identified (see Figure 5).

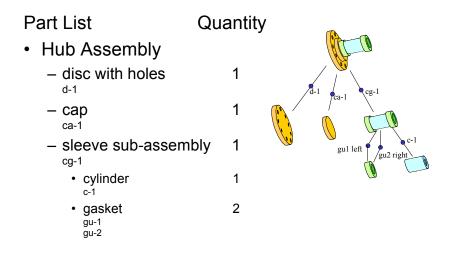


Figure 5: Indentured Parts List with Multiple Individual Components

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of individually distinguished occurrences of a constituent in an assembly structure are illustrated in Diagram 22.

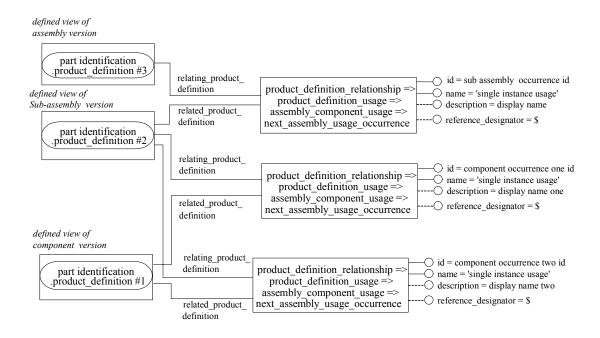


Diagram 22: Multiple Individual Component Usage Instance Diagram

Preprocessor Recommendations: The entity next_assembly_usage_occurrence (see 4.1.1.2) should be instantiated once for each individual occurrence of a component definition used in the parent assembly. The value of the attribute id must be unique for each instance. The description attribute may contain a unique display name for presentation of the assembly structure.

Postprocessor Recommendations: The sum of single instances of next_assembly_usage_occurrence that exist between an assembly definition and a component definition represents the total quantity of component occurrences used in the parent assembly.

Related Entities: None specified.

```
/* primary application context and life cycle stage */
#10 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #10, '');
#230 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('part definition', #10, 'design');
```

```
/* optional AP214 specific characterization for assembly definition */
#340 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('assembly definition', #10, '');
#520 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#460, #350, #340);
/* type discriminator for part as product */
#100 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#380, #440));
/* part master for component definition */
#360 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('detail', $, (#380));
#380 = PRODUCT('g1', 'gasket', $, (#220));
#390 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#380);
#400 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('qv1', 'design view on gasket', #390, #230);
/* part master for assembly definition */
#420 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('assembly', $, (#440));
#440 = PRODUCT('s1', 'sleeve assembly', $, (#220));
#450 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#440);
#460 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('sv1', 'design view on sleeve assembly',
#450, #230);
/* multiple single occurrences of component defn in assembly defn */
#530 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('qu-1', 'single instance usage',
   'qu1 left', #460, #400, $);
#540 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('gu-2', 'single instance usage',
   'qu2 right', #460, #400, $);
```

Example 18: exchange file for multiple individual component usages

4.1.4 Promissory Component Usage

The STEP PDM Schema supports promissory usage relationships between components and some higher-level assembly that is not the immediate parent in the hierarchy. This may be important to relate an outsourced component to a top-level assembly definition related to a configuration and product_concept. A supplier may only require the configuration and end item identification that is associated with the component of interest, and may not need to know the detailed assembly structure in between. The promissory component usage may be useful during early design phases to create preliminary BOMs for prototyping.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of promissory assembly are illustrated in Diagram 23.

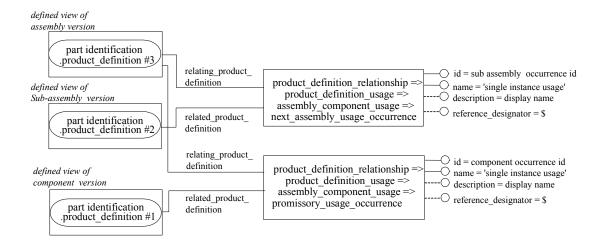


Diagram 23: Promissory Assembly Usage Instance Diagram

4.1.4.1 promissory usage occurrence

This entity is a subtype of assembly_component_usage. It represents the usage occurrence of a component within a higher-level assembly that is not the immediate parent, in the case where the detailed assembly structure in between the component and the higher-level assembly is not represented. A promissory_usage_occurrence specifies the intention to use the constituent in an assembly. It may also be used when the product structure is not completely defined.

Preprocessor Recommendations: The higher-level assembly should be associated with a configuration item with its related end item identification in the typical usage case for the promissory_usage_occurrence. If the assembly structure between the component and the higher-level assembly must be specified, the next assembly usage occurrence should be used (see 4.1.1.2).

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

```
/* primary application context and life cycle stage */
#10 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #10,'');
#230 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('part definition', #10, 'design');
```

```
/* optional AP214 specific characterization for assembly definition */
#340 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('assembly definition', #10, '');
#520 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#460, #350, #340);
/* type discriminator for part as product */
#100 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#380, #440));
/* part master for component definition */
#360 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('detail', $, (#380));
#380 = PRODUCT('g1', 'gasket', $, (#220));
#390 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#380);
#400 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('qv1', 'design view on gasket', #390, #230);
/* part master for top level assembly definition */
#420 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('assembly', $, (#440));
\#440 = PRODUCT('h1', 'hub assembly', $, (\#220));
#450 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#440);
#460 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('hv1', 'design view on hub assembly', #450,
#230);
/* promissory usage occurrence of component in top level assembly */
#530 = PROMISSORY USAGE OCCURRENCE('pu-1', 'promissory instance usage',
'pu-1 promissory', #460, #400, $);
```

Example 19: exchange file for promissory assembly usage

4.2 Multi-Level Assembly Digital Mock Up

STEP has the capability to identify individual occurrences of component in a multi-level assembly (see 4.1.3). This provides the ability to assign to each occurrence an identifier, a position in the assembly, a geometrical representation, or other properties that may be different from that assigned to the part definition of the component.

In order to distinguish a specific occurrence of a component in an assembly of more than two hierarchical levels, the specified_higher_usage_occurrence entity is used. For example, a wheel-axle subassembly is composed of an axle and two wheels, the right and the left. A higher-level chassis assembly is in turn composed of two wheel-axle subassemblies, the front and the back. The requirement to individually identify the left-front wheel, for example, is supported by this capability.

From the previous wheel-axle-chassis example, an instance of specified_higher_usage_occurrence is used to represent the left-front wheel. The related_product_definition attribute references the product_definition that represents the part definition of the component wheel. The relating_product_definition attribute references the product_definition representing the definition of the higher-level chassis assembly. The attribute next_usage is a reference to the next_assembly_usage_occurrence that represents the left wheel occurrence in the wheel-axle subassembly. The attribute upper_usage is a reference to the next_assembly_usage_occurrence representing the front occurrence of the wheel-axle subassembly within the higher-level chassis assembly.

This structure corresponds to an indentured parts list with associated part quantity values and individual identification of the specific component occurrences used within a multi-level assembly (see Figure 6).

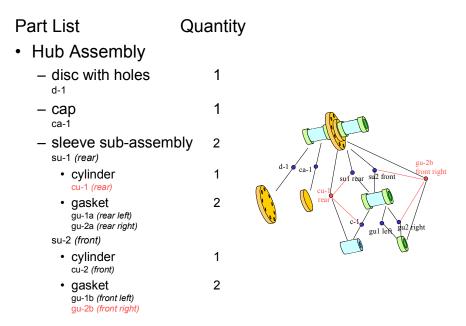


Figure 6: Indentured Parts List with Specified Higher Component Usage

In Figure 6, the specific higher usage cu-1 of the cylinder (c-1 in a sleeve subassembly) within the rear sleeve (su-1 in a hub assembly) of the higher-level hub assembly is illustrated. Also illustrated is the right gasket (gu2 within a sleeve subassembly) within the front sleeve (su-2 within a hub assembly) of the higher-level hub assembly, individually identified as gu-2b. Each specified higher usage occurrence of the gasket, as well as that of the cylinder, would be individually identified using the same mechanism as illustrated for the rear cylinder and the front right gasket.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of explicit multi-level assemblies and digital mockup are illustrated in Diagram 24.

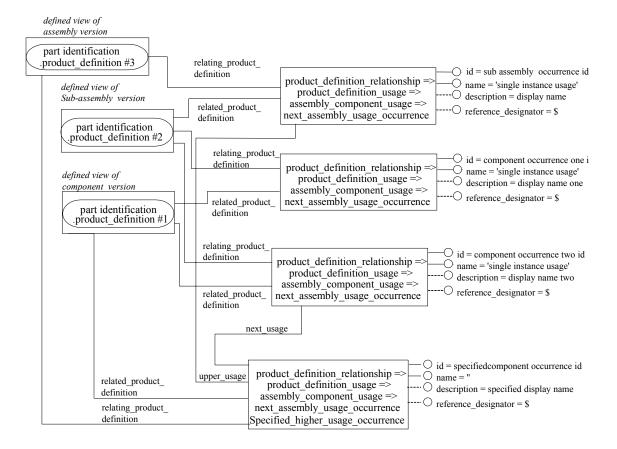


Diagram 24: Multi-level Assembly DMU Instance Diagram

4.2.1.1 specified higher usage occurrence

This entity is a subtype of assembly_component_usage. This entity represents the specific use occurrence within a higher-level assembly of an individual occurrence of a component definition used in an immediate parent sub-assembly.

EXAMPLE - a wheel-axle subassembly is composed of an axle and two wheels, the right and the left. A higher-level chassis assembly is in turn composed of two wheel-axle subassemblies, the front and the back. One specific higher usage of the left wheel occurrence within the higher-level chassis assembly is in the front wheel-axle subassembly (other is in the rear). The specified_higher_usage_occurrence entity represents the individually identified left-front wheel. A second instance of this entity could represent another specified higher usage occurrence of the wheel, for example left rear or right front.

In addition to inherited attributes, this entity defines the attributes next_usage and upper_usage to relate a single usage occurrence at one level in the assembly hierarchy (the next_usage) to a single usage occurrence at the next higher level in the assembly (the upper usage).

In the case of a specified usage occurrence at more than one higher level in the assembly hierarchy, the upper_usage attribute will reference the specified_higher_usage instance representing the specified occurrence at the higher level. In this way, instances of specified_higher_usage_occurrence are "chained" together to identify specific occurrences of components in an assembly hierarchy with an arbitrary number of levels.

Attributes

- The *next usage* attribute identifies the single usage occurrence at a given level in the hierarchy.
- The *upper usage* attribute identifies the specific higher usage occurrence one level up in the hierarchy.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
specified higher usage occurrence		
id	see supertype	
name	see supertype	
description	see supertype	OPTIONAL
relating_product_definition	see supertype	
related_product_definition	see supertype	
reference_designator	see supertype	OPTIONAL
next_usage	type : entity = next_assembly	
	usage_occurrence	
upper_usage	Type : entity = assembly_com-	References
	ponent_usage	specified_higher_usage
	(next_assembly_usage_occurrence	occurrence in the case of a
	OR	specified usage at more than
	specified_higher_usage_occurrence)	one higher level in the
		hierarchy

Preprocessor Recommendations: This entity should be instantiated once for each specific use in a higher-level assembly of an individual occurrence of a component definition used in a parent assembly. The value of the attribute id must be unique for each instance. The description attribute may contain a unique display name for presentation of the assembly structure.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

```
/* primary application context and life cycle stage */
#10 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #10, '');
#230 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #10, 'design');
/* optional AP214 specific characterization for assembly definitions */
#340 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('assembly definition', #10, '');
#520 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#460, #350, #340);
#530 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#660, #350, #340);
/* type discriminator for part as product */
#100 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#380, #680, #440,
#640));
/* part master for component definitions */
#360 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('detail', $, (#380, #680));
#380 = PRODUCT('g1', 'gasket', $, (#220));
#390 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#380);
#400 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('gv1', 'design view on gasket', #390, #230);
#680 = PRODUCT('c1', 'cylinder', $, (#220));
#690 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#680);
```

```
#700 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('cv1', 'design view on cylinder', #690,
#230);
/* part master for sub-assemly definition */
#420 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('assembly', $, (#440, #640));
#440 = PRODUCT('s1', 'sleeve assembly', $, (#220));
#450 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#440);
#460 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('sv1', 'design view on sleeve assembly',
#450, #230);
/* part master for higher level hub assembly definition */
\#640 = PRODUCT('h1', 'hub assembly', $, (#220));
#650 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#640);
\#660 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('hv1', 'design view on hub assembly', <math>\#650,
#230);
/* single occurrence of component (cylinder) in subassembly defn */
#520 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('cu-1', 'single instance usage',
   'cu1', #460, #700, $);
/* multiple single occurrences of component (gasket) in subassembly */
/* the left gasket in a sleeve subassembly */
#530 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('qu-1', 'single instance usage',
   'qu1 left', #460, #400, $);
/* the right gasket in a sleeve subassembly */
#540 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('gu-2', 'single instance usage',
   'qu2 right', #460, #400, $);
/* multiple single occurrences of subassembly defn in assembly defn */
/* the rear sleeve subassembly in a hub assembly */
#550 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('su-1', 'single instance usage',
   'sul rear', #660, #460, $);
/* the front sleeve subassembly in a hub assembly */
#560 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('su-2', 'single instance usage',
   'su2 front', #660, #460, $);
/* specified usage of individual components in higher level assembly */
/* the right gasket in the front sleeve subassembly */
#570 = SPECIFIED HIGHER USAGE OCCURRENCE('gu-2b', 'single
                                                                instance
usage', 'qu2b front right', #660, #400, $, #560, #540);
/* the cylinder in the rear sleeve subassembly */
#580 = SPECIFIED HIGHER USAGE OCCURRENCE ('cu-1',
                                                     'single
                                                                instance
usage', 'cul rear', #660, #700, $, #550, #520);
```

Example 20: exchange file for multi-level assembly DMU

4.3 Different Views on Assembly Structure

Different view definitions of the same version of a part may participate in different explicit product structures in the PDM Schema. For example, a design/as-planned view of a particular version of a part, representing the design discipline part definition, may be engaged in an explicit design assembly structure. A manufacturing/as-built view of the same part version represents the definitional template for the actual physical part, and may participate in a manufactured assembly structure different from the design structure. Finally, a support/as-maintained view of the part version representing the physical part definition that may participate in yet another different disassembly structure. Figure 7 illustrates two different views on a part structure.

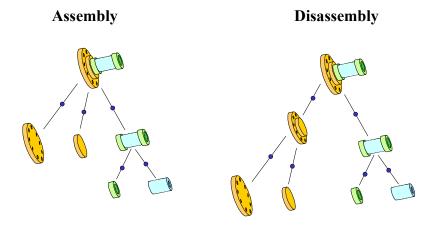


Figure 7: Different Views on Assembly Structure

Many of the parts that make up the 'nodes' in the two different assembly structures in Figure 7 have the same base identification - they simply have multiple definitions from different life-cycle viewpoints. The disc with holes, the cap, and the sleeve sub-assembly are all present in both views of the part structure. However, in this example there is also a new 'node' in the disassembly structure. It corresponds to a sub-assembly, composed of a disc with holes and a cap, which was not present in the assembly structure (see Figure 8).

Assembly List	Qty	Disassembly List	Qty
 Hub Assembly 		 Hub Assembly 	
disc with holes	1	discap sub-assy	1
– cap	1	 disc with holes 	1
sleeve sub-assy	1	 cap 	1
cylinder	1	sleeve sub-assy	1
• gasket	2	 cylinder 	1
-		 gasket 	2

Figure 8: Different Indentured Lists Corresponding to Different Structure Views

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and relationships that support the requirements of alternate life-cycle viewpoints on product structure are the same as those already described for part structures. Recall that the structural element of the part master 'node' is the product_definition entity, representing a view definition of a part version. The previous description presumed that each part master element in the assembly structure had a consistent life-cycle view definition - a single assembly structure from a single view definition context.

In this example of multiple part structures, the part master information corresponding to the 'nodes' disc with holes and cap (and sleeve sub-assembly plus its components) each has two part view definitions. One view definition may represent, for example, the design or manufactured assembly structure; the other a maintenance or disposal disassembly structure. Both of the view definitions are related to the same part version. In this way, the information that is common across the different part structures (the base version identification for all 'nodes' that have definition in both structures) is represented only once. Information that is different between the different views, such as associated management data, property information, or in this case product structure itself is managed independently by using different product definitions.

The assembly structure would be constructed between the product_definition instances that represent the part view definitions within the same appropriate view context, say for example design.

The disassembly structure would also be constructed between product_definition instances representing part view definitions within one appropriate life-cycle stage - but a different one, for example maintenance. Present only in the disassembly structure, the new or "phantom" part is a sub-assembly composed of a disc with holes and a cap - it is not present in the assembly structure. The part master information corresponding to this discap sub-assembly need only have a single part view definition in the appropriate life-cycle stage, e.g., maintenance. The complete disassembly structure is constructed using this product_definition, along with those of the other component part masters for that same view context.

```
/* primary application context for design assembly life cycle */
#10 = APPLICATION CONTEXT ('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #10, '');
#230 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ('part definition', #10, 'design');
/* primary application context for maintenance disassembly view */
#110 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('maintenance planning');
#240 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #110,
'maintenance');
/* optional AP214 specific characterization for assembly definitions */
#340 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('assembly definition', #10, '');
#820 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#460, #350, #340);
#830 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#660, #350, #340);
/* type discriminator for part as product */
#100 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#380, #680, #440,
#640));
#360 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('detail', $, (#380, #680));
#420 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('assembly', $, (#440, #640));
/* part master for common components, each with two view definitions */
/* part master for disc with holes - two view definitions */
#380 = PRODUCT('d1', 'disc with holes', $, (#220));
```

```
#390 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#380);
#400 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('dvd1', 'design view on disc', #390, #230);
#410 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('mvd1', 'maintenance view on disc', #390,
#240);
/* part master for cap component - two view definitions */
\#680 = PRODUCT('cap1', 'cap for hub', $, (\#220));
#690 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#680);
#700 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('dvc1', 'design view on cap', #690, #230);
#710 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('mvc1', 'maintenance view on cap', #690,
#240);
/* part master for "phantom" sub-assembly definition - one view only */
#440 = PRODUCT('p1', 'hubcap subassembly', $, (#220));
#450 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#440);
#460 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('mvp1', 'maintenance view hubcap
disassembly', \overline{4}450, 4240);
/* part master for higher level hub assembly - two view definitions */
\#640 = PRODUCT('h1', 'hub assembly', $, (#220));
#650 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A','',#640);
#660 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('dvh1', 'design view on hub assembly', #650,
#230);
#670 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('mvh1', 'maintenance view on hub assembly',
#650, #240);
/* design life cycle 'as planned' assembly structure */
/* single occurrence of component (disc) defn in hub assembly defn */
#520 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('d-1', 'single instance usage',
   'du-1', #660, #400, $);
/* single occurrence of component (cap) defn in hub assembly defn */
#530 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('c-1', 'single instance usage',
   'cu-1', \#660, \#70\overline{0}, \$);
/* maintenance life cycle planned disassembly structure */
/* single "phantom" hubcap subassembly occurrence in hub disassembly */
#560 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('hc-1', 'single instance usage',
   'hc-1', \#670, \#460, $);
/* single occurrence of component (disc) defn in hubcap sub-assembly */
#540 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('d-1', 'single instance usage',
   'du-1', #460, #410, $);
/* single occurrence of component (cap) defn in hubcap sub-assembly */
#550 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('c-1', 'single instance usage',
   'cu-1', #460, #710, $);
```

Example 21: exchange file for different assembly and disassembly structures

4.4 Relating Part Shape Properties to Product Structure

The PDM Schema allows linking geometric structures that result from relating different shape_representations with associated product structure when applicable, i.e., when the geometric structure directly corresponds to the assembly structure.

Two alternatives for the implementation of geometric structures related to assembly structures are recommended:

- 1. The assembly is described with the components built in. With this approach the shape of the component is mapped into the shape of the assembly via mapped_item. The basic idea of the mapped_item is: an item will become part of another item. The assembly component geometry is used as a template in the assembly geometry.
- 2. The components of an assembly are described together with the construction history. This approach uses the above-described representation_relationship_with_transformation. The transformation describes the relation between different workspaces.

The usage of both alternatives is considered reasonable, because both mechanisms make sense even in mixed combinations. With regard to the transformations in the context of assembly, a part is in principle incorporated in the assembly only by rigid motion (i.e., translation and/or rotation) excluding mirroring and scaling.

4.4.1 Explicit Representation of Complete Assembly Geometry

This approach represents the assembled model completely. It is appropriate for explicit representation of assemblies. It uses <code>mapped_item</code> in combination with <code>repesentation_map</code>, which takes a representation and turns it into an item in a second representation. The transformation to be applied is determined from the mapping origin and the mapping target, which are items in the two representations (and therefore founded in the two contexts).

Mapped item is constrained such that:

- No mapped item shall be dependent on itself to define the representation being mapped (a cyclic).
- The mapping origin shall be in the context of the mapping source representation.

There is no constraint to prevent both representations having the same context (i.e., the new item is shifted in position but does not change spaces). This allows the use of *mapped_item* to position sub-models in a single coordinate space. It is even possible to define an identity matrix transformation by referring to the same entity instance as both mapping_origin and mapping_target. This represents the case where a component is defined in (one of) its final position(s). Until it is mapped into the second representation, it is not included in the representation even though defined in the same space.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of explicit representation of assembly structure with associated external geometry model structure are illustrated in Diagram 25.

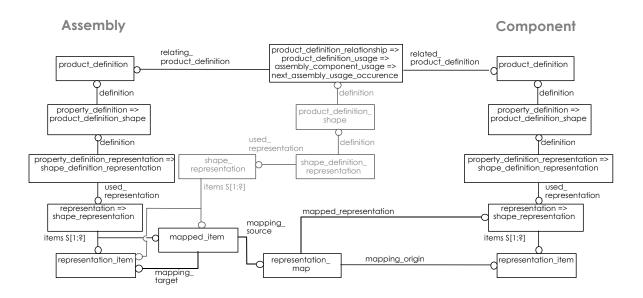


Diagram 25: Assembly Structure with Component Templates Instance Diagram

4.4.1.1 mapped_item

The mapped_item allows the use of a representation as a representation_item, e.g., it allows for the definition of representation using other representations. Thus a shape_representation for an assembly component can participate as a template instance in the definition of the shape of the overall assembly. The representation is defined by mapped_item.mapping_source.mapped_representation. The mapping is achieved through an operator that is a mapping of the mapped_item. mapping_source.mapping_origin onto the mapped item.mapping target

Attributes

- The *mapping_source* attribute points to an instance of representation_map that specifies the to be mapped representation.
- The *mapping_target* attribute is an representation_item that defines.

ENTITY mapped_item	Attribute Population	Remarks
mapping_source	type: entity = representation_map	
mapping_target	type: entity = representation_item	

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

4.4.1.2 representation_map

Attributes

- The *mapping origin* attribute.
- The *mapped representation* attribute references the to be mapped representation.

ENTITY representation_map	Attribute Population	Remarks
mapping_origin	type: entity = representation_item	should be an axis_placement in
		the given context
mapped_representation	type: entity = representation	

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

4.4.2 Implicit Relationships Between Assembly Components

This approach represents the components and the set of instructions on how to build the assembly. This approach is adequate for the implicit representation of assemblies. Thus, representation_relationship_with_transformation is used to define the relative positions within an assembly. It does not allow for:

- Inclusion the decision to create a representation, which brings all the components together, is left to the receiving system.
- The ability to define a component in one position and then replicate it in the same space.

The relationships between the assembly and the component on the product_definition level and the shape_representation level has to be linked through a context_dependent_shape_representation. This is necessary to distinguish between several occurrences of the same component within an assembly. According to Part 43 the attributes rep_1 and rep_2 of representation_relationship_ with_transformation are determined as:

- rep 1 is defined as the representation with a context to which the transformation applies (in other words rep_1 is defined as the representation with a context to which the transformation can be applied in case of building an assembly representation) and
- rep 2 is the representation with a context which is the result of the transformation (in other words rep_2 is defined as the representation with the context into which the component representation has to be transformed in case of building an assembly representation).

Based on this definition the attributes of representation_ relationship_with_transformation should be instantiated as follows:

- representation_relationship_with_transformation.rep_1 for the relation to the shape_ representation for the product_definition that is related by assembly_component_usage as related_product_definition (identifying the component) and
- representation_relationship_with_transformation.rep_2 for the relation to the shape_ representation for the product_definition that is related by assembly_component_usage as relating_product_definition (identifying the assembly).

Further restrictions are implied by the Part 43 informal proposition on the entity representation_relation-ship_with_transformation: When the transformation is an item_defined_transformation, the ordering of the representations given for the inherited attributes of representation_relationship shall be consistent with the ordering of the two representation_items given as attributes of item_defined_transformation. Therefore the following usage of the attributes transform_item_1 and transform_item_2 of item_defined_transformation is recommended:

• item_defined_transformation.transform_item_1 for the relation to the representation_ item (e.g., axis2_placement_3d) for the product_definition that is related by assembly_component_usage as related_product_definition (identifying the component) and

• item_defined_transformation.transform_item_2 for the relation to the representation_item (e.g., axis2_placement_3d) for the product_definition that is related by assembly_component_usage as relating_product_definition (identifying the assembly).

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of relating assemblies and components using item defined transformation are illustrated in Diagram 26.

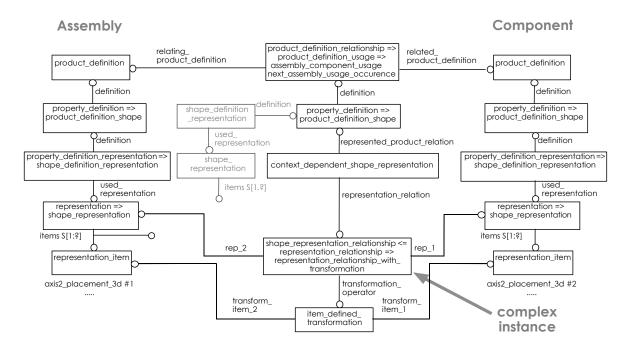


Diagram 26: Assembly Structure with Defined Component Relationships (usage of item defined transformation)

Another possibility is the definition of the assembly construction history via a cartesian_transformation_operator. The Part 42 definition of cartesian_transformation_operator also allows for scaling and mirroring. But scaling and mirroring shall not to be applied in the context of assemblies. Therefore:

- the scaling value specified by the attribute cartesian_transformation_operator.scale shall be empty (due to being optional; default scaling is equal 1.0) or shall be 1.0 and
- the determinant of the transformation matrix u (computed from the attributes axis_1, axis_2 and axis_3 in case of using cartesian_transformation_operator_3d by the function base_axis) shall equal 1.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of relating assemblies and components using cartesian transformation operator are illustrated in Diagram 27.

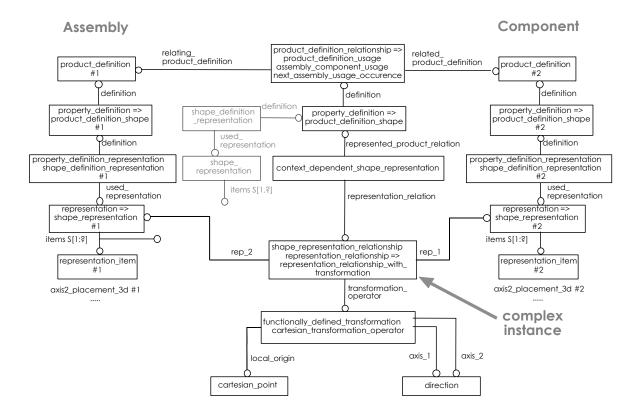


Diagram 27: Assembly Structure with Defined Component Relationships (usage of cartesian_transformation_operator)

4.4.2.1 context dependent shape representation

A context_dependent_shape_representation associates a shape_representation_relationship with a product_definition_shape. In the given context this allows the explicit specification of a shape of the assembly 'as assembled'. Since elements when assembled might change their shape — e.g., under pressure — this representation may differ from the geometric assembly of the individual shapes.

Attributes

- The *representation_relation* attribute is a reference to the shape_representation_relationship used to define the assembly.
- The *represented_product_relation* attribute points to the product_definition_shape that is related to the assembly usage occurrence.

ENTITY context_dependent_shape_repres entation	Attribute Population	Remarks
representation_relation	type: entity = shape_representa- tion_relationship	
represented_product_relation	type: entity = product_definition shape	

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

4.4.3 Complete instantiation example for part structure with shape properties

The example file contains two independent products. One part is an assembly of two components ('part 1' and part 2'). For this product structure a corresponding relationship that geometrically relates the components with the assembly is defined. It is assumed that the geometry is defined in external files. For 'part 2' this external file constitutes a managed document that is associated to the focused view of the part. For 'part 1' the external geometry is linked in via an external file for which no revision control exists. Such a flat file association for external geometry would be typical for files directly received from CAD systems.

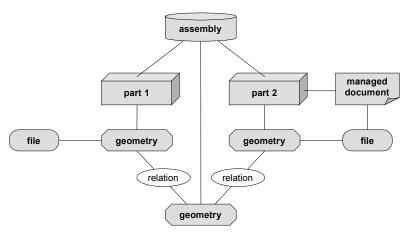


Figure 9: Schematic Overview of Complete Part Structure with Shape Properties

For the third part in the file two portions of shape are represented and identified independently. For these portions a geometric relationship is defined. This geometric relationship has no correspondence in product structure.

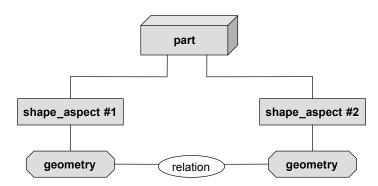


Figure 10: Schematic Overview of Geometric Relationship

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE DESCRIPTION((''), '2;1');
```

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FILE NAME('', '30.06.1999, 12:05:33', ('N:N:'), (''),
   '<sup>-</sup>, '', '');
FILE SCHEMA(('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC;
DATA;
/* Entities #10 to #350 describe meta information and product structure
#10 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#20 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #10, '');
#30 = PRODUCT('ass', 'assembly', '', (#20));
#40 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('assembly', $, (#30));
#50 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', '', (#30));
#60 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #50, #40);
#70 = PRODUCT('p', 'part', '', (#20));

#80 = PRODUCT('p1', 'part1', '', (#20));

#90 = PRODUCT('p2', 'part2', '', (#20));
#100 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', '', (#30, #80, #90,
#70)
  );
#110 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION ('version 1.2', 'pdm schema',
  , #10);
#120 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('', $);
#130 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #10, '');
#140 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #30);
#150 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('assv', 'view on assembly', #140, #130);
#160 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#170 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('', #160, 'design');
#180 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#150, #170, #120);
#190 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('Detail', $, (#80, #90, #70));
#200 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('Part', '', (#80, #90, #70));
#210 = PRODUCT_CATEGORY_RELATIONSHIP('', $, #200, #190);
#220 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #80);
#230 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('p1v', 'view on part1', #220, #130);
#240 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#230, $, #120);
#250 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #70);
#260 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('p', 'view on part', #250, #130);
#270 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#260, $, #120);
#280 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #90);
#290 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION('p2v', 'view on part2', #280, #130);
#300 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#290, $, #120);
#310 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('p1 usage',
   'single instance usage', '', #150, #230, $);
#320 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#330 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('assembly definition', #10, '');
#340 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#150, #330, #320);
#350 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('p2 usage',
   'single instance usage', '', #150, #290, $);
/* Entities #370 to #497 define a managed document which */
/* contains a representation of the shape of 'part2'
#370 = PRODUCT('p2 shape doc', 'document reflecting
         shape of part2', '', (#20));
#380 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('document', '', (#370));
#390 = DOCUMENT TYPE('configuration controlled document version');
```

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#400 = DOCUMENT('', '', '', #390);
#410 = APPLIED DOCUMENT REFERENCE(#400, 'equivalence', (#290));
#420 = OBJECT ROLE('mandatory', '');
#430 = ROLE \ ASSOCIATION(#420, #410);
#440 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #370);
#450 = DOCUMENT PRODUCT EQUIVALENCE ('equivalence', '', #400, #440);
#460 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ('digital document definition', #10,
#470 = PRODUCT DEFINITION WITH ASSOCIATED_DOCUMENTS('p2_shape_d',
  'digital document for part2 shape', #440, #460, (#475));
#475 = DOCUMENT FILE('p2 shape file', '', '', #485, '', $);
#480 = DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE ('digital', #475);
#485 = DOCUMENT TYPE('');
#490 = IDENTIFICATION ROLE('document source',$);
#495 = APPLIED EXTERNAL IDENTIFICATION ASSIGNMENT('', #490, #497, (#475));
#497 = EXTERNAL SOURCE (IDENTIFIER ('part1 geometry.stp'));
/* Entities #500 to #560 define the geometric model for 'part1' */
#500 = PRODUCT DEFINITION SHAPE('shape p1', $, #230);
#510 = SHAPE DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#500, #520);
#520 = SHAPE REPRESENTATION('sol1', (#570), #530);
#530 = GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('c1','external',3);
#540 = CARTESIAN POINT('', (1.0E+001, 0.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
#550 = DIRECTION('', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#560 = DIRECTION('', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#570 = AXIS2 PLACEMENT 3D('', #540, #550, #560);
/* Entities #575 to #585 state that the shape representation #520 */
/* is externally defined in a digital file with the location */
/* 'part2 geometry.stp'
#575 = APPLIED DOCUMENT REFERENCE(#576,'', (#230));
#576 = DOCUMENT FILE('p1 shape','',$,#577,'', $);
#577 = DOCUMENT TYPE('geometry');
#578 = ROLE ASSOCIATION(#579, #575);
#579 = OBJECT ROLE ('mandatory',$);
#580 = DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE ('digital', #576);
#581 = IDENTIFICATION ROLE('document source',$);
#582 = APPLIED EXTERNAL IDENTIFICATION ASSIGNMENT('', #581, #583, (#576));
#583 = EXTERNAL SOURCE(IDENTIFIER('part2 geometry.stp'));
#584 = PROPERTY DEFINITION ('external definition', $, #576);
#585 = PROPERTY DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#584, #520);
/* Entities #600 to #660 define the geometric model for 'part2' */
#600 = PRODUCT DEFINITION SHAPE('shape p2', $, #290);
#610 = SHAPE DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#600, #620);
#620 = SHAPE REPRESENTATION('sol2', (#670), #630);
#630 = GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('c2', 'external', 3);
#640 = CARTESIAN POINT('', (3.0E+001, 0.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
\#650 = DIRECTION(''', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
\#660 = DIRECTION('', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#670 = AXIS2 PLACEMENT 3D('', #640, #650, #660);
/* Entities #680 and #690 indicate that the shape representation #620
*/
```

```
/* is externally defined by the file represented by #475
#680 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('external definition',$,#475);
#690 = PROPERTY DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#680, #620);
/* Entities #700 to #720 defines the shape and two related portions */
/* for the part 'part' #260
#700 = PRODUCT DEFINITION SHAPE('shape p',$,#260);
#710 = SHAPE ASPECT('aspect1', $, #700, .T.);
#720 = SHAPE ASPECT('aspect2', $, #700, .T.);
/* Entities #730 to #790 define the geometry related to */
/* shape aspect #710
#730 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('shape for aspect1', $, #710);
#740 = SHAPE DEFINITION REPRESENTATION(#730, #750);
#750 = SHAPE REPRESENTATION('sa1', (#795), #760);
#760 = GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('ca1','external',3);
\#770 = CARTESIAN POINT('', (3.0E+001, 0.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
#780 = DIRECTION('', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#790 = DIRECTION('', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#795 = AXIS2 PLACEMENT 3D('', #770, #780, #790);
/* the link to the external definition in a file has been omitted here
/* Entities #800 to #860 define the geometry related to */
/* shape aspect #720
#800 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('shape for aspect2', $, #720);
#810 = SHAPE DEFINITION REPRESENTATION(#800, #820);
\#820 = SHAPE REPRESENTATION('sa2', (\#870), \#830);
#830 = GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('ca2','external',3);
#840 = CARTESIAN POINT('', (3.0E+001, 0.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
\#850 = DIRECTION(''', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
\#860 = DIRECTION(''', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#870 = AXIS2 PLACEMENT 3D('', #840, #850, #860);
/* the link to the external definition in a file has been omitted here
*/
^{\prime *} #1000 and #1010 establish the relationship between the ^{*}/
/* geometry of the two shape aspects
#1000 = (REPRESENTATION RELATIONSHIP('', '', #750, #820)
   REPRESENTATION RELATIONSHIP WITH TRANSFORMATION (#1010)
   SHAPE REPRESENTATION RELATIONSHIP());
#1010 = ITEM DEFINED TRANSFORMATION('aspect rel','', #795, #870);
^{\prime *} #1050 to #1140 define the geometric representation of ^{*}/
/* the assembly (#150). The shape representation contains */
/* two axis placements that are the reference points for */
/* the transformations of the components
                                                              * /
#1050 = PRODUCT DEFINITION SHAPE('shape of ass',$,#150);
#1060 = SHAPE DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#1050, #1070);
#1070 = SHAPE REPRESENTATION('s assembly', (#1110, #1140), #1080);
#1080 = GEOMETRIC REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('ca','',3);
#1090 = CARTESIAN POINT('', (3.0E+001, 4.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
#1095 = DIRECTION('', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#1100 = DIRECTION('', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#1110 = AXIS2 PLACEMENT 3D('', #1090, #1095, #1100);
```

```
#1120 = CARTESIAN POINT('', (1.0E+001, 1.0E+000, 1.0E+001));
\#1125 = DIRECTION('', (1.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#1130 = DIRECTION('', (0.0E+000, -1.0E+000, 0.0E+000));
#1140 = AXIS2 PLACEMENT 3D('', #1120, #1125, #1130);
/* Entities #1200 to #1230 define the geometric relationship */
/* between the component 'part1' and the assembly #150. This */
/* relationship is linked to the product structure relationship */
/* defined by the next assembly usage occurrence #310
#1200 = PRODUCT DEFINITION SHAPE('shape of assembled p1', $, #310);
#1210 = CONTEXT DEPENDENT SHAPE REPRESENTATION(#1220,#1200);
#1220 = (REPRESENTATION RELATIONSHIP('', '', #520, #1070)
   REPRESENTATION RELATIONSHIP WITH TRANSFORMATION (#1230)
   SHAPE REPRESENTATION RELATIONSHIP());
#1230 = ITEM DEFINED TRANSFORMATION('p1t','', #1110, #570);
/* Entities #1300 to #1330 define the geometric relationship */
/* between the component 'part2' and the assembly #150. This */
/* relationship is linked to the product structure relationship */
/* defined by the next assembly usage occurrence #350
#1300 = PRODUCT DEFINITION SHAPE ('shape of assembled p2', $, #350);
#1310 = CONTEXT DEPENDENT SHAPE REPRESENTATION (#1320, #1300);
#1320 = (REPRESENTATION RELATIONSHIP('', '', #620, #1070)
   REPRESENTATION RELATIONSHIP WITH TRANSFORMATION (#1330)
   SHAPE REPRESENTATION RELATIONSHIP());
#1330 = ITEM DEFINED TRANSFORMATION ('p2t','', #1140, #670);
/* Entities #5000 to #5070 assert that the in #290 defined view */
/* of part2 has a mass of 3KG
#5000 = GENERAL PROPERTY('mass property', '', '');
#5010 = GENERAL PROPERTY ASSOCIATION ('non-definitional', '', #5000,
#5020);
#5020 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('', '', #290);
#5030 = PROPERTY DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#5020, #5040);
#5040 = REPRESENTATION('property value', (#5060), #5050);
#5050 = REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('', '');
#5060 = MEASURE REPRESENTATION ITEM ('mass', MASS MEASURE (3000), #5070);
#5070 = (NAMED UNIT(*) MASS UNIT() SI UNIT($,.GRAM.));
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 22: complete instantiation for part structure with shape properties

4.5 Other Relationships Between Parts

4.5.1 Alternate Parts

STEP designates alternate and substitute parts differently. Alternate parts are interchangeable in all occurrences whereas substitutes are interchangeable only in a particular usage. Alternate parts in STEP are defined through the alternate_product_relationship entity. This relationship is used in the definition of parts list data for alternate item designations.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of alternate part identification are illustrated in Diagram 28.

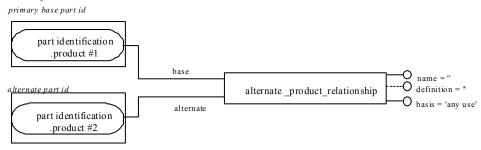


Diagram 28: Alternate Part Instance Diagram

4.5.1.1 alternate_product_relationship

This entity represents the alternate part relationship. The alternate part is interchangeable with the base part in any/all uses - it is a context independent alternate that is form, fit, and function equivalent in any use.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute has no standard mapping in the PDM Schema.
- The *definition* attribute is an optional description.
- The *base* attribute is a reference to the primary product of which an alternate is being identified.
- The *alternate* attribute is a reference to the product identified as an alternate for the base product.
- The *basis* attribute is a rationale for the part interchange (e.g., any use, first available, etc.).

ENTITY alternate product relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type : label = string	
definition	type : text = string	OPTIONAL
base	type : entity = product	
alternate	type : entity = product	
basis	type : text = string	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no standard mappings for the name and definition attributes of alternate_product_relationship. The basis attribute should contain a rationale for the part interchange (e.g. any use, first available, etc.) if it is known.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Since there are no standard mappings for the name and definition attributes of alternate_product_relationship, it is recommended that postprocessors not assign any general processing significance to these values.

Related Entities: None specified.

```
/* primary application context for design assembly life cycle */
#10 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #10, '');
#230 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('part_definition', #10, 'design');
```

```
/* part type discrimination */
#6=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('part',$,(#4, #11));
#7=PRODUCT_CATEGORY_RELATIONSHIP('part-to-detail',$,#6,#8);
#8=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('detail',$,(#4, #11));

#4=PRODUCT('11111','Solid Box','description for part 11111',(#220));
#11=PRODUCT('11011','Solid Cube','description for part 11011',(#12));
#14=ALTERNATE_PRODUCT_RELATIONSHIP('',$,#11,#4,'interchangeable as solid squares');
```

Example 23: exchange file segment for alternate part

4.5.2 Substitute Components in an Assembly

Substitute components in an assembly are identified as a relationship between the occurrences of two part definitions (the two substitutes) that are used within the same parent assembly definition. As opposed to the alternate part relationship, which is context free, this substitute relationship is context dependent - the substitute is only valid in the context of its usage as a component within the specified parent assembly definition.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of substitute part identification are illustrated in Diagram 29.

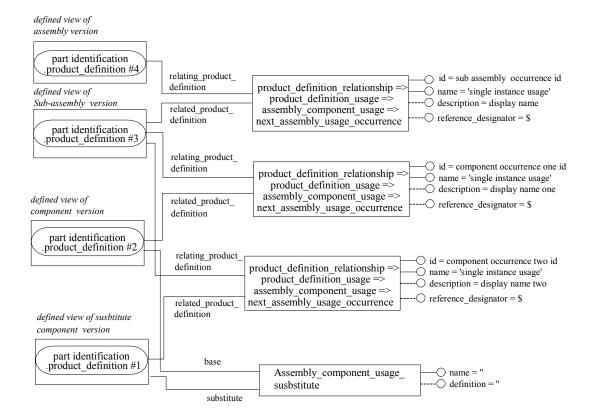


Diagram 29: Substitute Component Instance Diagram

4.5.2.1 assembly component usage substitute

This entity represents the substitute component relationship. The substitute part is interchangeable with the base part only in the particular, specified usage - it is a context dependent substitution that is allowed only in the specific usage as the component in the identified component-assembly relationship.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute has no standard mapping in the PDM Schema.
- The *definition* attribute is an optional description.
- The base attribute is a reference to the primary component occurrence of which a substitute is being identified.
- The *substitute* attribute is a reference to the product identified as a substitute for the base component.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
assembly_component_usage_substitute		
name	type : label = string	
definition	type : text = string	OPTIONAL
base	type : entity = assembly	
	component_usage	
substitute	Type : entity = assembly	
	component_usage	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no standard mappings for the name and definition attributes of assembly_component_usage_substitute. The relating_product_definition for both the base and substitute attributes of this relationship must be the same instance representing the same assembly definition.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Since there are no standard mappings for the name and definition attributes of assembly_component_usage_substitute, it is recommended that postprocessors not assign any general processing significance to these values.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#1330 = PROMISSORY_USAGE_OCCURRENCE('seal_in_sleeve',
    'single instance usage',
    'promissory usage of sealing for sleeve assembly ver2', #1210,
#1300, $);
#1335 = PROMISSORY_USAGE_OCCURRENCE('seal_in_sleeve',
    'single instance usage',
    'promissory usage of sealing ver 2 for sleeve assembly ver2', #1210,
#1305, $);
#1337 =
ASSEMBLY_COMPONENT_USAGE_SUBSTITUTE('sealings_alternative_sleeve',
    $,#1330,#1335);
```

Example 24: exchange file segment for substitute component

4.5.3 Make From Relationships

In STEP, the fact that a part is manufactured from another part is indicated by make_from_usage_option. The make_from_usage_option relates the source part definition in the related_product_definition attribute to the resultant part definition in the relating_product_definition attribute.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of make from part identification are illustrated in Diagram 30.

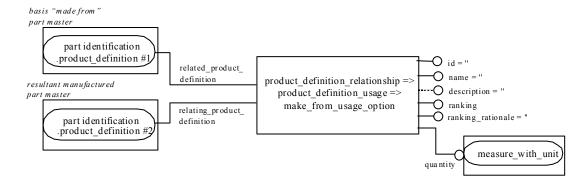


Diagram 30: Make From Relationship Instance Diagram

4.5.3.1 make from usage option

This entity is a subtype of product_definition_usage. The related_product_definition represents the raw or semi-finished material, and the relating product definition represents the resultant manufactured item.

Attributes

- The *relating_product_definition* represents the part manufactured from the related_product_definition.
- The *related product definition* represents the raw or semi-finished material.
- The *ranking* attribute is a relative ranking value. A lower value indicates a higher preference.
- The *ranking rationale* explains the reason for the ranking.
- The *quantity* attribute records the number of resultant parts that can be made from the source part.

ENTITY make_from_usage_option	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	unique for product data relation- ship
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
relating_product_definition	type : entity = product_definition	
related_product_definition	type : entity = product_definition	
ranking	type : integer	
ranking_rationale	type: text = string	
quantity	type: entity = measure_with_unit	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The id attribute must be unique among product_definition_relationships. There is no standard mapping for the name or ranking rationale attributes in a make from usage option.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Since there is no standard value for the name and ranking_rationale attributes for a make_from_usage_option, it is recommended that postprocessors not assign any processing significance to these values.

Related Entities: None specified.

```
/* primary application context for design assembly life cycle */
#1000 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #1000, '');
#230 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('part definition', #1000, 'design');

/* part type discrimination */
#100=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('part',$,(#2, #9));

#2=PRODUCT('11000','solid cube','description for part 11000',(#220));
#3=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('A', 'description of version A for solid cube',#2);
#4=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('D1','detailed drawing as planned for STEP conformance testing',#3,#230);

#9=PRODUCT('11111','Solid Box','part 11111 made from raw material 11000',(#220));
#10=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('A', 'description of version A for part 11111',#9);
```

```
#11=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('D2','detailed drawing',#10,#230);
#16=MAKE_FROM_USAGE_OPTION('id','name','make two solid boxes from one solid cube', #11, #4,1,'',#17);
#17 = MEASURE_WITH_UNIT(COUNT_MEASURE(2), #18);
#18 = NAMED_UNIT(#19);
#19 = DIMENSIONAL_EXPONENTS(0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000);
```

Example 25: exchange file for make from relationship

4.5.4 Supplied Part Identification

Supplied part identification is realized by an 'alias relationship' concept. It is specific for supplied parts that allow the renumbering of vendor parts.

In all realms of design and manufacturing business, it is common to buy parts from a vendor and renumber them under an internal numbering scheme. In today's practice, this is done through envelope, specification and source control drawings.

- An envelope drawing is used for a simple renumber of a part where the part is referenced on the envelope drawing and assigned a new part number via the associated parts list.
- A specification control drawing renumbers a part to show that it meets or exceeds the specifications defined on the drawing and to recommend sources for the part.
- A source control drawing renumbers a part and creates a restricted list of suppliers that are qualified to produce the part based on the specifications.

All of these relationships are supported by the product_definition_formation_relationship entity. This entity is used for the identification of part suppliers. The product_definition_formation_relationship may be used for the renumbering of parts. The supplied part relationship relates the "new" part master product_definition_formation in the relating_product_definition_formation attribute to the "old" part master product_definition_formation in the related_product_definition_formation attribute.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements of supplied part identification are illustrated in Diagram 31.

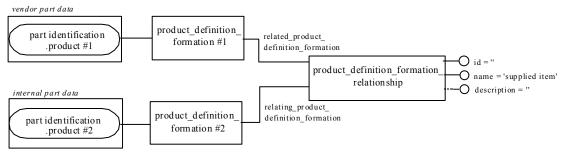


Diagram 31: Supplied Part Instance Diagram

4.5.4.1 product_definition_formation_relationship

This entity generally relates two product_definition_formation instances in a specified relationship type - the identification of the relationship type is given in the name attribute.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute provides an identifier of the relationship.
- The *name* attribute specifies this relationship represents 'supplied item'.
- The *relating_product_definition_formation* attribute references the internal part version information.
- The *related_product_definition_formation* attribute references the supplied part version information.

ENTITY product_definition_formation_ Relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	
name	type: label = string	shall be 'supplied item'
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
related_product_definition_formation	type : entity = product definition_formation	supplied part version information
relating_product_definition_formation	Type : entity = product definition_formation	internal part version

Preprocessor Recommendations: The value 'supplied item' for the name attribute identifies this as the supplied item relationship. There is no standard mapping for the description attribute in a product_definition_formation_relationship. The id attribute must be unique with respect to the relationship, but there is no standard mapping for the value.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Since there are no standard mapping for the description attributes for a product_definition_formation_relationship, it is recommended that postprocessors not assign any processing significance to this value.

Related Entities: Certification of suppliers can be indicated through the supplied item relationship. This is done by relating an applied_certification_assignment to the product_definition_formation_relationship, which associates a certification to the relationship. The applied_certification_assignment entity may have a role associated with it through the entity role_association and its related object_role entity. There are no standard mappings for the values of the role, or the name and purpose attributes of the certification entity.

```
/* primary application context for design assembly life cycle */
#1000 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #1000, '');
#230 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('part definition', #1000, 'design');
/* part type discrimination */
#100=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('part',$,(#2, #9));
/* solid cube - supplied part */
#2=PRODUCT('11000','solid cube','description for part 11000',(#220));
#3=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('A', 'description of version A for solid cube',#2);
#4=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('D1','detailed drawing as planned for STEP conformance testing',#3,#230);
/* solid box - internal part */
```

```
#9=PRODUCT('11111','Solid Box','part 11111 made from raw material
11000',(#220));
#10=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('A', 'description of version A for
part 11111',#9);
#11=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('D2','detailed drawing',#10,#230);
#16=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION_RELATIONSHIP('id','supplied
item',$,#10,#3);
```

Example 26: exchange file for supplied part

4.5.5 Version History Relationships

There are two types of relationships between product versions used to represent the version history:

- Sequential relationship: The relating part version is the preceding version and the related part version is the subsequent following version. Both versions must be associated with the same part master base. A part version may have at most one preceding and one subsequent following version.
- Hierarchical relationship: The related part version is a sub version of the relating part version (sometimes referred to as an *iteration*). Both versions must be associated with the same part master base. Each part version may have at most one super version (parent in the hierarchy). A part version may have an arbitrary number of sub versions (children in the hierarchy). Part versions related by hierarchical relationships may not define cyclic relationships.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of part version sequence history are illustrated in Diagram 32.

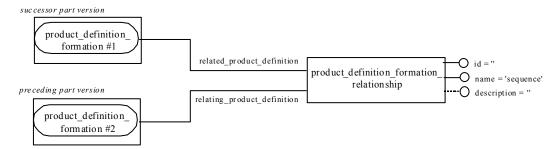


Diagram 32: Part Version (sequence) History Instance Diagram

4.5.5.1 product definition formation relationship

Entity generally relates two product_definition_formation instances in a specified relationship type - the identification of the relationship type is given in the name attribute.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute provides an identifier of the relationship.
- The *name* attribute specifies this relationship represents a version 'sequence' or 'hierarchy' history.
- The *relating_product_definition_formation* attribute references the preceding (sequence) or super (hierarchy) part version.
- The *related_product_definition_formation* attribute references the subsequent (sequence) or sub (hierarchy) part version.

ENTITY product_definition_formation_ Relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	
name	type: label = string	shall be 'sequence' or
		'hierarchy'
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
relating_product_definition_formation	type : entity = product	preceding part version
	definition_formation	
related_product_definition_formation	Type : entity = product	subsequent part version
	definition_formation	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The value 'sequence' for the name attribute identifies this as the version sequence history relationship. The value 'hierarchy' for the name attribute identifies this as the version hierarchical relationship. There is no standard mapping for the description attribute in a product_definition_formation_relationship. The id attribute must be unique with respect to the relationship, but there is no standard mapping for the value.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Since there are no standard mapping for the description attributes for a product_definition_formation_relationship, it is recommended that postprocessors not assign any processing significance to this value.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
/* primary application context for design assembly life cycle */
#1000 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #1000, '');
#230 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('part definition', #1000, 'design');
/* part type discrimination */
#100=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('part',$,(#2));

/* version A - preceding version */
#2=PRODUCT('11000','solid cube','description for part 11000',(#220));
#3=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('A', 'version A for solid cube',#2);
#4=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('D1','detailed drawing as planned for STEP conformance testing',#3,#230);

/* version B - subsequent version */
#10=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('B', 'version B for part 11000',#2);
#11=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('B', 'version B for part 11000',#2);
#16=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION_RELATIONSHIP('id','sequence',$,#3,#10);
```

Example 27: exchange file for part version (sequence) history

4.6 Complete instantiation example for part structure and relationships

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE DESCRIPTION(('Assembly instantiation example'), '2;1');
FILE_NAME('', '11.06.1999, 08:29:45', (''), (''), '', '', '');
FILE SCHEMA(('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC;
DATA;
/* Entities #10 to #520 define that items with associated meta- */
                                                                        */
/* information that are referenced in the product structure
                                                                         */
/* definitions below
#10 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#20 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #10, '');
#30 = PRODUCT('dca', 'disc cap assembly',
   'disc cap assembly in dissassembly view of hub assembly', (#20));
#40 = PRODUCT('h1', 'hub assembly', '', (#20));
#50 = PRODUCT('s1', 'sleeve assembly', '', (#20));
#60 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('assembly', $, (#40, #50, #30));
#70 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', '', (#40, #50, #30));
#80 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #70, #60);
#90 = PRODUCT('seal1', 'sealing', '', (#20));
#100 = PRODUCT('d1', 'disc', 'disc with holes', (#20));
#110 = PRODUCT('c1', 'cap', 'cap for hub assembly', (#20));
#120 = PRODUCT('cy1', 'cylinder', 'cylinder for sleeve assembly',
(#20));
#130 = PRODUCT('q1', 'qasket', 'qasket for sleeve assembly', (#20));
#140 = PRODUCT('gex', 'gasket extern', 'externally supplied gasket', (
#150 = PRODUCT('mat23', 'raw material for caps', '', (#20));
#160 = PRODUCT('cl alt', 'cylinder alternative',
```

```
'alternate product for cy1', (#20));
#170 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('part', '', (#40, #100, #110,
   #50, #120, #130, #3<del>0</del>, #140, #150, #160, #90));
#180 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION ('version 1.2', 'pdm schema',
2000
   , #10);
#190 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('detail', $, (#100, #110, #120,
   #130, #140, #160, #90));
#200 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('part', '', (#100, #110, #120,
   #130, #140, #160, #90));
#210 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #200, #190);
#220 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('', $);
#230 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ('part definition', #10, '');
#240 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION ('next assembly',
   'hub assembly version \overline{2} (with individual occurrences of components',
#40);
#250 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('view 1 hub', 'design view on hub assembly',
   #240, #230);
#260 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#270 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('', #260, 'design');
#280 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#250, #270, #220);
#290 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #100);
#300 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION('disc view 1', 'design view on disc', #290,
   #230);
#310 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#320 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('', #310, 'design');
#330 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#300, #320, #220);
#340 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('assembly definition', #10, '');
#360 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#250, #350, #340);
#370 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('disc1', 'single instance usage',
'', \#250, \#300, \$);
#390 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #130);
#400 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('gv1', 'design view on gasket', #390, #230);
#410 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#400, #270, #220);
#420 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #120);
#430 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('cv1', 'design view on cylinder', #420,
#440 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#430, #270, #220);
#450 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #50);
#460 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('sv1', 'design view on sleeve assembly', #450
   , #230);
#470 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#460, #270, #220);
#480 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #110);
#490 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION('capv1', 'design view on cap', #480, #230);
#500 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#490, #270, #220);
#520 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#460, #350, #340);
/* Instances #530 to #570 define the product structure for
                                                                   * /
/* the hub assembly of #250 via the components including the
                                                                   */
/* sub-assembly of the sleeve #460
#530 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('gul', 'single instance usage',
   'gasket usage 1', #460, #400, $);
#540 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('qu2', 'single instance usage',
   'gasket usage 2', #460, #400, $);
#550 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('cyl1', 'single instance usage',
   'cylinder usage', #460, #430, $);
```

```
#560 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('cap1', 'single instance usage',
   'usage of cap in hub assembly', #250, #490, $);
#570 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('svul', 'single instance usage',
   'usage of sleeve sub-assembly in hub assembly', #250, #460, $);
/* Entitles #580 to #700 define the 'id owners' for the parts */
#580 = ORGANIZATION('com1', 'Example Company', 'company');
#590 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
#600 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#580, #590, (#40));
#610 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
\#620 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(\#580, \#610, (\#130));
#630 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
\#640 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(\#580, \#630, (\#120));
#650 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
#660 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#580, #650, (#50));
#670 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
\#680 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(\#580, \#670, (\#110));
#690 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
#700 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#580, #690, (#100));
/* Entity #710 is an alternate view on the hub assembly version
/* defined by the product definition formation #240
                                                                   * /
/* The product structure in this view is defined by the entities */
                                                                   * /
/* #760 to #810
/* This product structure is different to the view #240 of the
/* same part version defined by #250. In this example the alternate */
/* product structure related to the view is a disassembly structure */
/* as opposed to the assembly structure related to the view #250 */
#710 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('view 2 hub', 'disassembly view on hub',
#240, #230);
#720 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#710, $, #220);
#730 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #30);
#740 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('dcav1', 'disassembly view on disc and cap',
   #730, #230);
#750 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#740, $, #220);
#760 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('du', 'single instance usage',
   'disc in disc cap assembly', #740, #300, $);
#770 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#740, #350, #340);
#780 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('cu', 'single instance usage',
   'cap in disc-cap assembly', #740, #490, $);
#790 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#710, #350, #340);
#800 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('su2', 'single instance usage',
   'sleeve assembly in disassembly view of hub', #710, #460, $);
#810 = NEXT_ASSEMBLY_USAGE_OCCURRENCE('dcau1', 'single instance usage',
'disc cap assembly usage in disassembly view of hub', #710, #740, $);
/* #820 is another version of the hub assembly defined by #40
                                                                   * /
/* This version is specified with a product structure that
                                                                   * /
/* quantifies the occurrences of components in an assembly
/* The product structure relationships that defines the quantified */
/* usage of the components in an assembly are instantiated complex */
/* with NEXT ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE to indicate that a given */
/* parent node directly uses the referenced component
                                                                   */
#820 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION ('quantif',
   'version specified with quantified usages', #40);
#830 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('qv1',
```

```
'view on quantified version of hub assembly', #820, #230);
#840 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#830, $, #220);
#850 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#830, #350, #340);
#860 = DIMENSIONAL EXPONENTS(0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000,
   0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000);
#870 = NAMED UNIT(#860);
#880 = \text{MEASURE WITH UNIT(COUNT MEASURE(1), } #870);
#890 = (ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE($) NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE()
   PRODUCT_DEFINITION_RELATIONSHIP('du4', 'quantified instance usage', 'quantified usage of disc', #830, #300) PRODUCT_DEFINITION_USAGE()
   QUANTIFIED ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE(#880));
\#900 = DIMENSIONAL EXPONENTS(0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000,
   0.0E+000, 0.0E+\overline{000}, 0.0E+000);
#910 = NAMED UNIT(#900);
\#920 = \text{MEASURE WITH UNIT (COUNT MEASURE (1), } \#910);
#930 = (ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE($) NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE()
   PRODUCT DEFINITION RELATIONSHIP ('cau4', 'quantified instance usage',
'quantified usage if cap', #830, #490) PRODUCT DEFINITION USAGE()
   QUANTIFIED ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE(#920));
#940 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('slq',
   'quantified version of sleeve assembly', #50);
#950 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('slqv',
   'design view quantified version sleeve assembly', #940, #230);
#960 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT_ASSOCIATION(#950, $, #220);
#970 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#950, #350, #340);
#980 = DIMENSIONAL EXPONENTS(0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000,
   0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000);
#990 = NAMED UNIT(#980);
#1000 = MEASURE WITH UNIT (COUNT MEASURE (1), #990);
#1010 = (ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE($) NEXT ASSEMBLY_USAGE_OCCURRENCE()
   PRODUCT_DEFINITION_RELATIONSHIP('cu4', 'quantified instance usage',
   'quantified usage of cylinder', #950, #430)
PRODUCT DEFINITION USAGE()
    QUANTIFIED ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE (#1000));
\#1020 = DIMENSIONAL EXPONENTS(0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000,
   0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000);
#1030 = NAMED UNIT(#1020);
#1040 = MEASURE WITH UNIT (COUNT MEASURE(2), #1030);
#1050 = (ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE($) NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE()
   PRODUCT DEFINITION RELATIONSHIP ('qu4', 'quantified instance usage',
   'quantified usage of gasket for sleeve', #950, #400)
   PRODUCT DEFINITION USAGE()
QUANTIFIED ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE (#1040));
/* #140 represents an externally supplied gasket part
/* The relationship #1070 relates the version 1 of this externally */
/* supplied part to the internal part master represented by
/* #140 in its version 1 (defined by #390) */
#1060 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #140);
#1070 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION RELATIONSHIP('', 'supplied item',
   'supplied item version of gasket', #1060, #390);
#1080 = ORGANIZATION('com2', 'Supplier Company', 'company');
#1090 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
#1100 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#1080, #1090, (#1060));
/* product #140 represents the raw material for the cap product */
/* (#110), version 1 (#480) in the design view (#490) */
```

```
#1120 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('raw material', '', (#150));
#1140 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #150);
#1150 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('mat view', 'design view on mat23', #1140,
   #230);
#1160 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#1150, $, #220);
#1170 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
#1180 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#580, #1170, (#1140));
/* Entities #1181 to #1185 establish the relation that defines that */
/* the cap (in view of #490) is made from the raw material specified */
/* via #1150 and related entities
#1181 = DIMENSIONAL EXPONENTS(0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000,
   0.0E+000, 0.0E+000, 0.0E+000);
#1182 = NAMED UNIT(#1181);
#1184 = MEASURE WITH UNIT (COUNT MEASURE (1), #1182);
#1185 = MAKE FROM USAGE OPTION('mkfr1','', #490, #1150, 1, '', #1184);
/* #1190 models the successor version of the sleeve assembly
/* version 1 define by #450. 'Sequence' indicates that #1190 is */
/* a direct successor to #450
#1190 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('2',
  'successor version of version 1', #50);
#1200 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION RELATIONSHIP('', 'sequence', '',
   #450, #1190);
/* #1210 specifies a view on the sleeve assembly version 2. To this */
/* view a product structure is attached that extends the product
/* structure of version one with an additional sealing part
*/
/* For this sealing no detail is given, a
/* promissory usage occurrence is used to model the intent to */
/* include the sealing in the sleeve assembly
#1210 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('sv2', 'design view on sleeve version 2',
   #1190, #230);
#1220 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#1210, $, #220);
#1230 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#1210, #350, #340);
#1240 = NEXT_ASSEMBLY_USAGE_OCCURRENCE('gu5', 'single instance usage',
   'gasket usage for ver2 of sleeve assembly', #1210, #400, $);
#1250 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('qu6', 'single instance usage',
   '2ns gasket usage for sleeve assembly ver2', #1210, #400, $);
#1260 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #160);
#1270 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('v1 cyl alt',
   'design view on alternate cylinder', #1260, #230);
#1280 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#1270, $, #220);
#1290 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('1', 'sealing ver1', #90);
#1295 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('2', 'sealing ver2', #90);
#1300 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('sv1', 'design view on sealing v1', #1290,
#230);
#1305 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('sv2', 'design view on sealing v2', #1295,
#1310 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#1300, $, #220);
#1320 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('cylalt', 'single instance
usage'
   , 'usage of alternate cylinder of sleeve v2', #1210, #1270, $);
/* #1330 models the intent to use the sealing part as defined */
```

```
/* by #1300 in the sleeve part as defined by #1210
                                                               * /
#1330 = PROMISSORY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('seal in sleeve',
   'single instance usage',
   'promissory usage of sealing for sleeve assembly ver2', #1210,
#1300,
   $);
/* The entities #1335 and #1337 define a usage of another version of */
/* the sealing part given by its view in #1305 in the sleeve
/* assembly #1210. #1337 specifies that the usage of the two version */
/st of the sealing in the sleeve assembly is alternative, i.e. the st/
/* product structure relationship defined by #1335 is alternative to */
/* the one defined by #1330
#1335 = PROMISSORY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('seal in sleeve',
   'single instance usage',
   'promissory usage of sealing ver 2 for sleeve assembly ver2', #1210,
#1305,
   $);
#1337 =
ASSEMBLY COMPONENT USAGE SUBSTITUTE ('sealings alternative sleeve',
   $,#1330,#1335);
/* #1340 is a version of the hub assembly #40 that is derived from */
/* the version #240 of the same part. The derivation relationship is */
/* established by entity #1350
#1340 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('ver double',
   'double sleeve version', #40);
#1350 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION RELATIONSHIP('', 'derivation', '',
   #240, #1340);
#1360 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('dsl view',
   'design view on double sleeve version of hub', #1340, #230);
#1370 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#1360, $, #220);
#1380 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#1360, #350, #340);
^{\prime*} The assembly structure below assembles the #1340 version of the ^{*\prime}
/* hub assembly with 2 sleeves. the sleeves each consist of two */
/* gaskets and one cylinder. Thus in the resulting product */
/* structure there are four cylinders. The basic next assembly usage */
/* construct allows only to distinguish between two gaskets one the */
/* level of the sleeve assembly definition. To individualize one of */
/* the gaskets in the hub assembly specified higer usage occurrence */
/* is used.
                              * /
#1390 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('dcau', 'single instance usage',
'usage of dca assembly for double sleeve version', #1360, #740, $);
#1400 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('usl1', 'single instance usage',
'1st sleeve in double sleeve version', #1360, #460, $);
#1410 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('usl2', 'single instance usage',
'2nd sleeve in double sleeve assembly', #1360, #460, $);
/* #1415 individualizes the first gasket (#530) used in the
/* second sleeve (#1410) of the assembly #1360.
#1415 = SPECIFIED HIGHER USAGE OCCURRENCE ('2nd g',
  'identification of second gasket of first sleeve',
 $,
           /* the hub assembly */
  #1360,
          /* gasket used for the assembly */
  #400,
           /* reference designator */
```

Example 28: exchange file for complete part structure and relationships

4.7 Known issues

4.7.1 Item Find Number

Legacy AP203 implementations have used the name attribute of the next_assembly_usage_occurrence entity to represent the find_number (or position_number) of a part as it appears on a physical drawing. This conflicts with the AP214 usage of this attribute to distinguish single instances from selected instances.

4.7.2 Mirroring of components

Scaling and mirroring shall not be applied in the context of assemblies. However, it is common practice in CAD systems to use mirror parts. The PDM-IF is planning to test assemblies with mirror parts. Therefore this issue has to be addressed in the next release of the PDM Schema Usage Guide.

5 Document Identification

The PDM Schema deals with documents as products, according to a basic STEP interpretation of 'Document as Product'. As with 'Part as Product', there are three basic concepts central to document identification in the PDM Schema:

- product master identification,
- context information,
- type classification.

These fundamental concepts are described for 'Part as Product' in this document. The following provides specifics on the distinction and additions for the 'Document as Product' approach.

'Document as Product' identifies a managed document object in a PDM system. A managed document is under revision control, and may distinguish various representation definitions of a document version. The document_version represents the minimum identification of a managed document under revision control. A document representation definition may optionally be associated with one or more constituent external files that make it up.

EXAMPLE - a configuration controlled managed paper document such as a drawing would generally map to a usage of the entity 'product', with version identification and a (physical) representation/view definition according to the 'document as product' approach.

External files in the PDM Schema represent a simple external reference to a named file. An external file is not managed independently by the system - there is usually no revision control or any representation definitions of external files. Version identification may optionally be associated with an external file, but this is for information only and is not used for managed revision control.

If a file is under configuration control, it should be represented as a constituent of a document definition view/representation. In this case it is actually the managed document that is under direct configuration control, the file is in this way indirectly under configuration control. A change to the file results in a change to the managed document (i.e., a new version) - the changed file would be mapped as a constituent of a view/representation definition of the new document version. A simple external reference alone is not configuration controlled; it is just an external file reference to product data.

Documents may be associated with product data in a specified role, to represent some relationship between a document and other elements of product data. Constraints may also be specified on this association, in order to distinguish an applicable portion of an entire document or file in the association. With 'Document as Product', additional entities are required to relate a managed document to other product data (see Section 10.1). Included among these is the entity document. The document id should not be used as valid user data - the document entity does not always need to be instantiated using 'Document as Product', it is done only to assign the document to other product data via applied_document_reference.

5.1 Document as Product

The interpretation of 'Document as Product' uses basic product master identification for the fundamental requirements of document identification, versioning, and representation definition. 'Document as Product' is distinguished from 'Part as Product' in each of the three basic elements of product identification:

- product master identification document identification has specific requirements to assign documents to other product data, and to optionally associate with the constituent external file(s) that make up a specific document representation view definition;
- context information document identification has different context information than part identification;
- type classification document identification has a different type classification than part identification.

5.1.1 Document Master Identification

As with 'Part as Product', the concepts of base identification, version identification, and view definition are structurally distinct in 'Document as Product'. The general recommendations given for part master identification apply to the document master identification, except where differences are noted.

Base document identification is always associated with at least one document version. Multiple document versions of a base document identification may be related together to represent document version history.

With 'Document as Product' the product view definition is used to define a view of a particular representation of a document version. A document version does not have to have an associated document representation definition.

The representation view definition of a document version is used for association of document properties, to build document structures, or to associate a document with the set of constituent external files that make it up.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support identification of a document version are illustrated in Diagram 33. Document version identification without an associated document view representation definition represents the minimum requirements for document master identification.

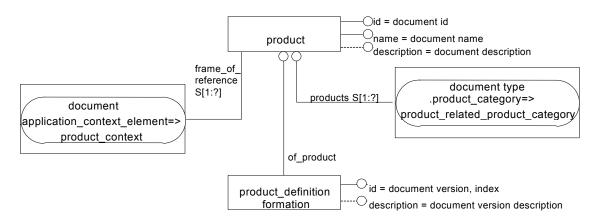


Diagram 33: Minimum Document Identification Instance Diagram

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#270=PRODUCT('doc_4711', 'packaging guide', 'packaging guideline for part', (#260));
#280=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('ver3.1', 'version 3.1', #270);
```

Example 29: exchange file segment for minimum document identification

5.1.2 Context Information

Context information provides a scope and necessary circumstance for product identification information. It consists of two separate and related areas:

• Application Protocol Identification,

• Application Context Information.

Application protocol identification and general context information are handled structurally the same for 'Document as Product', 'Part as Product', and product concept identification. A single instance of the entity application_context should be referenced by all product_context and product_concept_context entities, for parts, documents and product concepts. This application_context should be referenced by the single instance of the entity application_protocol_definition. The general context information identifies the usage of the information within the scope of the PDM Schema and the application domain which provides a basis for the interpretation of all information represented in the product data exchange.

The application context information is managed differently to distinguish documents from parts:

- Life-cycle information does not have to be maintained for 'Document as Product', as it is for 'Part as Product' to identify the development life-cycle stages. When a managed document is assigned to a part master, the life-cycle stage of the part master identification may be extrapolated as relevant to the document;
- To distinguish a document representation view definition, the names 'digital document definition' or 'physical document definition' are used, as differentiated from the value 'part definition' used in 'Part as Product'. A digital document definition represents an electronic document, while a physical document definition stands for a 'hardcopy', typically paper, document.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of document identification with context information are illustrated in Diagram 34.

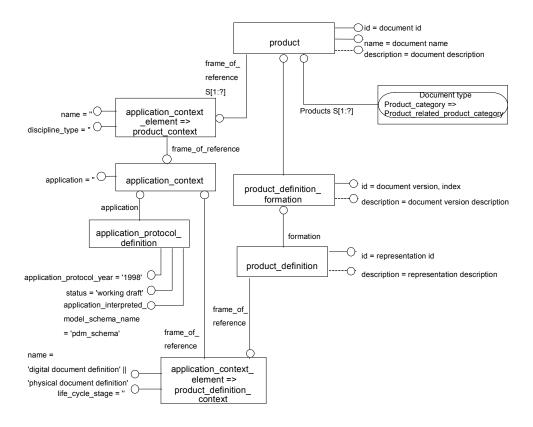


Diagram 34: Document Master with Context Information Instance Diagram

5.1.2.1 product definition

The product_definition entity denotes the definition of a particular view of a representation of a document version. There may be more than one document representation definition associated with a single document version. The representation view definition of a document version is used for association of document properties, to build document structures, or to associate a document with the set of constituent external files that make it up. The entity product_definition supports property association and document structure. The subtype product_definition_with_associated_documents is used to associate a representation of a document version with the set of constituent files that make it up.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute indicates the unique identifier of the document representation definition.
- The *description* attribute provides optional additional words describing the representation definition.
- The *formation* attribute references the document version of which this is a representation definition.
- The *frame of reference* attribute references the context information related to this definition.

ENTITY product_definition	Attribute Population	Remarks
id		Must be unique in relation with a
	type : identifier = string	specific product_version
description	type: text	OPTIONAL
formation	type: entity =	Document version of which this is
	product_definition_formation	a particular document
		representation definition
frame_of_reference	type : entity =	Context information for this
	product_definition_context	definition.

Preprocessor Recommendations: The value for the id attribute of product_definition should be unique relative to other product definition entities related to the same product definition formation.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

5.1.2.2 product definition context

All STEP product_definitions must be defined in a product_definition_context. With 'Document as Product', the context information is used to distinguish digital from physical 'hardcopy' documents.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute indicates the type of the document representation definition.
- The *frame of reference* attribute references application domain information.
- The *life cycle stage* attribute has no standard mapping for documents in this usage guide.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
product_definition_context		
name	type: label = string	Distinguishes the associated
	'digital document definition' or	product_definition as that of a
	'physical document definition'	document
frame_of_reference	type: entity =	
	application_context	
life_cycle_stage	type: label = text	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute distinguishes the representation definition of a document version as either digital ('digital document definition') or physical, i.e., hardcopy ('physical document definition').

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should interpret the value of the name attribute as a distinction between part and document definitions, and further between digital and physical document definitions.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#240=APPLICATION_CONTEXT('');
#245=APPLICATION_PROTOCOL_DEFINITION('version
1.2','pdm_schema',2000,#240);
#250=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('digital document definition',#240,'');
#260=PRODUCT_CONTEXT('',#240,'');
#270=PRODUCT('doc_4711','packaging guide','packaging guideline for part',(#260));
#280=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('ver3.1','version 3.1',#270);
#290=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('id of digital document','digital document for representing guideline ver3.1',#280,#250);
```

Example 30: exchange file segment for document master with context information

5.1.3 Type Classification

Type classification information provides the basic capability to distinguish products interpreted to represent documents from those interpreted as parts.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the complete requirements of document identification with context information and type classification are illustrated in Diagram 35.

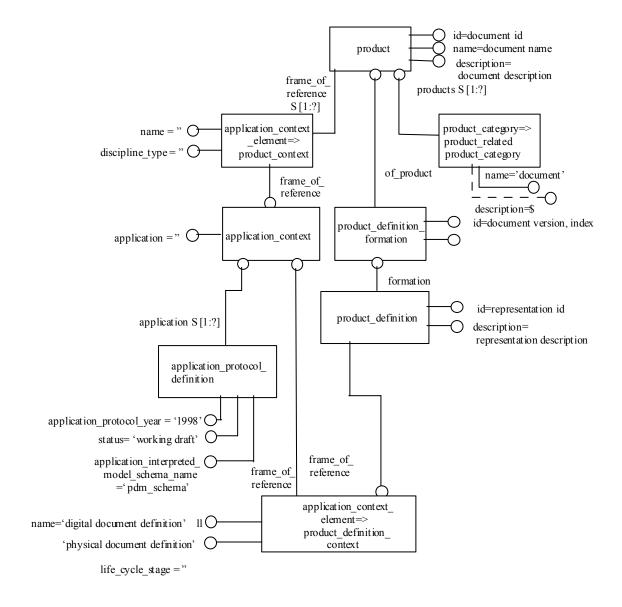


Diagram 35: Complete Document Master with Context and Type Classification Instance Diagram

5.1.3.1 product_related_product_category

The product_related_product_category represents the identification of a specific classification applied to a product. The name and description attributes are inherited from the supertype product_category. This subtype adds the attribute products that allow it to be associated (related) directly to a product instance. In the usage scenario of 'Document as Product', these product instances are used to represent managed documents.

Attributes

• The *products* attribute associates the category with the document as product to which it applies.

ENTITY product_related_ product_category	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string 'document'	

ENTITY product_related_	Attribute Population	Remarks
product_category		
description	type: text = string	
products	type: entity = product	SET[1:?] of product entity
		instance(s) distinguished as
		representing documents.

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute should have the value 'document' to discriminate 'Document as Product' from 'Part as Product'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: When the value of the attribute name is 'document', postprocessors should recognize that the value(s) of the attribute products are the representation of managed documents as opposed to parts.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#240=APPLICATION_CONTEXT('');
#245=APPLICATION_PROTOCOL_DEFINITION('version
1.2','pdm_schema',2000,#240);
#250=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('digital document definition',#240,'');
#260=PRODUCT_CONTEXT('',#240,'');
#270=PRODUCT('doc_4711','packaging guide','packaging guideline for part',(#260));
#280=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('ver3.1','version 3.1',#270);
#290=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('id of digital document','digital document for representing guideline ver3.1',#280,#250);
#300=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('document',$,(#270));
```

Example 31: exchange file for complete document master with context and type classification

6 Specific Document Type Classification

The PDM Schema supports the specific classification of both parts and managed documents. Consequentially, following the 'document as product' approach as described in this usage guide, the type classification of managed documents is done in symmetry to the specific type classification for parts.

6.1 Product Related Product Category and Product Category Relationship

The AIM entity product_related product category and product category_relationship are used for identification of product type classifications. There are two classification mechanisms that can be used when exchanging classification information with STEP. One type of classification works by assigning categories to product data items. These categories are identified by name labels that define the related classification. This type of classification is referred to as specific classification.

NOTE - As an advanced requirement there might be the need to classify product data items according to a classification system with explicit reference to the classification criteria and related properties of the product data items. This classification mechanism is called general classification. The PDM Schema only supports specific classification of product data items via assigned categories, which are defined by labeling them with a name.

All the categories used for the specific document type classification of managed documents should be defined in a single taxonomy. The category hierarchy is defined via relating the categories as super/subcategories.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of specific document type classification are illustrated in Diagram 36.

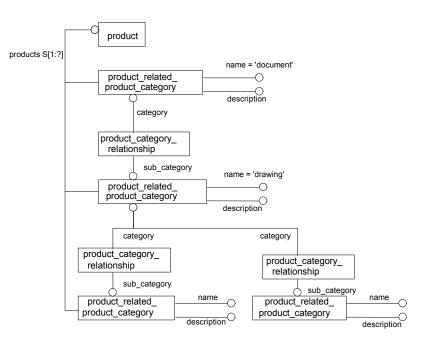


Diagram 36: Specific document classification Instance Diagram

6.1.1.1 product_related_product_category

The product_related_product_category entity is a subtype of product_category.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute identifies the category via a label.
- The *description* provides additional characterization for the product category.
- The *products* attribute associates the category with the product entity instances to which it applies.

ENTITY product_related_ product_category	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = text	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
products	type: entity = product	SET[1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: For reasons of robustness (see postprocessor recommendations below) preprocessors should list all products in the attribute product_related_product_category.items that are either direct members of that category or which belong to sub-categories of this category. A given product category shall only be instantiated once in an exchange file.

The specific classification capability relies exclusively on the name labels of the categories for the interpretation of the category semantics. Exchanges of specific classification information are only meaningful when the category names are agreed upon between the exchange partners. For the PDM Schema, it is recommended that the highest level category be instantiated with the value 'document'. Exchange partners may extend it to create a hierarchy based on bilateral agreements.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should also tolerate instances of product_category as opposed to product_related_product_category in the intermediate levels of a product category hierarchy definition. At least processors should be robust enough to ignore the product_category instances. If these instances are ignored then the detailed information of the product category hierarchy is not completely transferred, nevertheless the assignment of products to categories is still maintained since these assignments always use product_related_product_categories.

Related Entities: The entity product_category is a supertype of product_related_product_category that does not have the attribute products. Thus a product_category can only be used an intermediate node in a classification hierarchy to which no products are directly assigned.

6.1.1.2 product_category_relationship

The product_category_relationship entity establishes a category-subcategory relationship between two product_category entities.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute gives the word or group of words by which the relationship is referred.
- The *description* attribute provides additional descriptive information related about the relationship.
- The *category* attribute identifies the *super* category (more general) in the relationship.
- The *sub_category* attribute identifies the *sub* category (more specific) in the relationship.

ENTITY product_category_relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
Name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	
category	type: entity = product related -	

ENTITY product_category_relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
	product_category	
sub_category	type: entity = product_related	
	product_category	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The PDM Schema does not have restrictions on potential nesting of category hierarchies besides that it is strongly recommended that the structure is a cyclic. Nevertheless preprocessing systems should be aware that not all post processing systems might support an arbitrarily deep structuring of hierarchy levels.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should at least support a two-level category hierarchy. This is in alignment with the requirement to process the basic product instance type classification, which is to be done on two levels for product entity instances that model parts being assemblies or details.

Related Entities: Instances of product_category_relationship relate instances of product_category and product related product category.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE DESCRIPTION(('specific doc classification example'),
   '2;1');
FILE NAME('', '10.09.1999, 13:16:45', ('n.n.'), (''),
   '<sup>-</sup>, '', '');
FILE SCHEMA(('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
DATA;
#10 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #20);
\#20 = PRODUCT('d1', 'drawing x', '', (\#40));
#30 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('document', $, (#20));
#40 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #50, '');
#50 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#60 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION ('version 1.2', 'pdm schema', 2000
   , #50);
#120 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #30, #70);
#70 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('drawing', $, (#20));
#80 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #70, #90);
#90 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('technical drawing', $, (#20));
#100 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #90, #110);
#110 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('detail drawing', $, (#20));
/* other product data follows here ... */
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 32: exchange file for specific document classification

7 External Files

External files in the PDM Schema represent a simple external reference to a named file. The external file may identify a digital file or a physical, 'hardcopy' file. As opposed to a managed 'Document as Product', an external file is not managed by the system - there is no capability for managed revision control or any document representation definitions for an external file.

An external file is simply an external reference that may be associated with other product data. Document/file properties may be associated with an external file as with an identified managed document. In the case where properties differ with different versions, the managed 'Document as Product' approach is recommended.

If a file is under configuration control, it should be represented as a constituent of a document definition view/representation according to 'Document as Product'. In this case, it is actually the managed document that is under direct configuration control; the file is, in this way, indirectly under configuration control. A change to the file results in a change to the managed document (i.e., a new version) - the changed file would be mapped as a constituent of a view/representation definition of the new document version. A simple external reference alone is not configuration controlled, it is just an external file reference to product data.

While managed revision control representing multiple versions and version history is not available for external files, external files may have an optional version identification providing a string labeling the version of the file.

7.1 External File Identification

Identification of an external file is done using the entity document_file. The document_file entity is a defined subtype of the entity document. It is also a subtype of the entity characterized_object, which allows association of properties to the identification of an external file.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of external file identification are illustrated in Diagram 37 below.

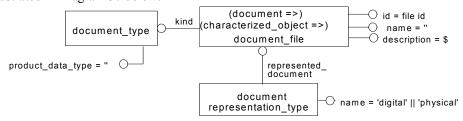


Diagram 37: External File Identification Instance Diagram

7.1.1 document_file

This entity is a subtype of the document entity, and thus works together with the applied_document_reference to support the assignment of external files to product data. Document_file is also a subtype of the entity characterized_object, which has local attributes name and description.

Since both super types of this entity define local attributes 'name' and 'description', the subtype document_file has a double inheritance of these attributes. Local constraints defined on the entity document_file specify that the additional attributes inherited from the supertype characterized_object should not be used for valid user data. These constraints specify that the value of the name attribute be an empty string: '' and the OPTIONAL description attribute should not be populated.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute indicates the unique identifier of the external file.
- The *name* attribute is double inherited. Only the one derived from the document supertype is valid for user data, the nomenclature of the external file. The name attribute inherited from characterized_object should be assigned the empty string.
- The *description* attribute is double inherited. Only the one derived from the supertype document is valid for user data. The description attribute inherited from characterized_object should be assigned the empty string.
- The *kind* attribute is a reference to the file "type" classification information.

ENTITY document_file	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	
SELF\document.name	type: label = string	valid user data for file id
SELF\document.description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
kind	type: entity = document_type	
SELF\characterized_object.name	type: label = string	not to be used for valid user data
	empty string "	
SELF\characterized_object.descrip-	type: text = string	not to be used for valid user data
tion	\$	

Preprocessor Recommendations: Preprocessors must carefully encode the exchange syntax for an instance of document_file to properly handle the multiple inheritance of the attributes name and description. An example instance of document_file is illustrated in Example 33.

The document_file entity requires an associated instance of the entity document_representation_type. The document_file entity constrains the possible values of the attribute document_representation_type.name, as described in 7.1.2.

The id attribute is a unique identifier for the external file. Access path information for a file should be represented as a file "source" property.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

7.1.2 document representation type

This entity provides the capability to identify the type of the representation of a particular external file, either digital or physical.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute is used to identify the particular representation type (either digital or physical) of the associated external file.
- The *represented_document* attribute is a reference to the associated external file.

ENTITY document_representation_type	Attribute Population	Ren	narks		
name	type: text = string				
	'digital' or 'physical'				
represented_document	type: entity = document	for	file	identification,	this

ENTITY document_representation_type	Attribute Population	Remarks	
		attribute will reference the	Э
		subtype document file	

Preprocessor Recommendations: For file_identification, the possible values for the name attribute are 'digital' and 'physical'. A digital file represents an electronic file on a computer system. A physical file is the actual paper hardcopy or other physical realization of a file.

Postprocessor Recommendations: A value for the name attribute of 'digital' should be interpreted to mean the associated document_file represents an external reference to an electronic digital file. The value 'physical' should be interpreted to mean the associated document_file represents an external reference to a hardcopy file.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

7.1.3 document_type

This entity provides the capability to identify the type of an external file for the general requirement of file type classification.

Attributes

• The *product_data_type* attribute is used to identify the kind of product data in the associated file.

ENTITY document_type	Attribute Population	Remarks
product_data_type	type: identifier = string	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#510=DOCUMENT_FILE('doc_id','',$,#520,'',$);
#520=DOCUMENT_TYPE('unspecified type');
#540=DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE('digital',#510);
```

Example 33: exchange file segment for external file identification

Although managed revision control representing multiple versions and version history is not available for external files, they may have an optional version identification that provides a string labeling the version of the external file. If multiple versions are represented, the 'Document as Product' approach is recommended.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements of external files with optional version identification are illustrated in Diagram 38.

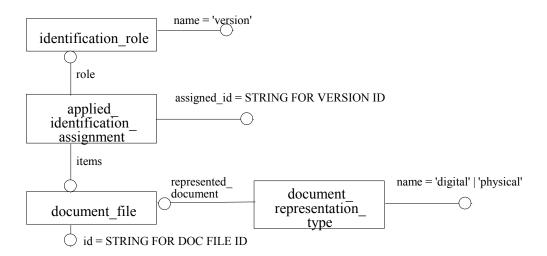


Diagram 38: External File with Version Identification Instance Diagram

7.1.4 applied_identification_assignment

This entity is a subtype of the entity identification_assignment. It allows the actual assignment of an identification_assignment entity to product data, in this case to a document_file entity representing an external file.

Attributes

• The *items* attribute is used to reference the associated external file.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
applied_identification_assignment		
assigned_id	type: identifier = string	contains the string identifying the version of the external file.
role	type: entity = identification role	for file version identification, this entity should have name attribute value = 'version'
items	type : entity = document_file	reference to the associated external file to which the version identification is assigned.

Preprocessor Recommendations: The use of this entity is optional. When applied to a document_file, it represents simple version identification for the external file. It is not to be used for managed revision control. If managed revision control is the requirement, then the 'Document as Product' approach must be used. The value of the attribute assigned_id contains the version identification. This should not be used for managed version control, but rather for an optional label providing additional information about the version of the document that is identified. The value of the role attribute is an instance of the entity identification_role with its name attribute assigned the string 'version'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should recognize this entity as providing version identification label for the associated external file.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

7.1.5 identification_role

This entity in this use case indicates the role of a version identification for an external file.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute is used to indicate that the related identification_assignment represents a version identification for the associated external file.
- The *description* attribute is optional additional text.

ENTITY identification_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: identifier = string	Contains the string indicating that
	'version'	the related identification_assign-
		ment represents a version ident-
		ification for an external file.
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: The attribute name should be assigned a value of 'version' in this usage.

Postprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute value 'version' should be interpreted as an indication that the associated applied identification assignment represents simple version identification for the file.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#500=IDENTIFICATION_ROLE('version',$);
#510=DOCUMENT_FILE('doc id','',$,#520,'',$);
#520=DOCUMENT_TYPE('unspecified type');
#530=APPLIED_IDENTIFICATION_ASSIGNMENT('THE VERSION ID',#500,(#510));
#540=DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE('digital',#510);
```

Example 34: exchange file for external file with version identification

8 Relationship Between Documents and Constituent Files

In 'Document as Product', the view definition is used to represent a definition of a particular document representation. There may be more than one representation definition associated with a document version. The document representation definition may be associated with the constituent external files that make it up. The association of constituent files with the definition of a document representation is optional.

If a file is under configuration control, it should be represented as a constituent of a document definition view/representation. In this case it is actually the managed document that is under direct configuration control, the file is in this way indirectly under configuration control. A change to the file results in a change to the managed document (i.e., a new version) - the changed file would be mapped as a constituent of a view/representation definition of the new document version. A simple external reference alone is not configuration controlled; it is just an external file reference to product data.

8.1 Product Definition with associated documents

The AIM entity product_definition_with_associated_documents is used together with the identification of external files to support the requirement for the product as document with constituent external files.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements of document identification with associated constituent external files are illustrated in Diagram 39.

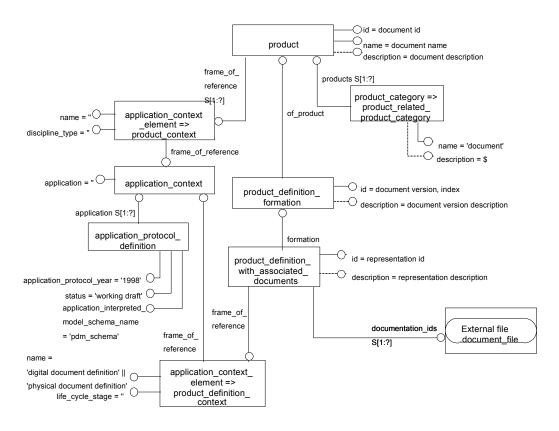


Diagram 39: Document Master with Constituent External Files Instance Diagram

8.1.1 product_definition_with_associated_documents

The product_definition_with_associated_documents entity is a subtype of product_definition. It inherits the attributes id, description, formation and frame_of_reference from the supertype. This entity is only used in this case of 'Document as Product' and is not to be used in the case of 'Part as Product'. The attribute documentation_ids provides the relationship to the external file(s) that make up the actual content of the document representation definition.

Attributes

• The *documentation_ids* attribute contains a set of at least one instance representing the external file(s) that compose this view definition of the document.

ENTITY product_definition_with_	Attribute Population	Remarks
associated_documents		
id	type: identifier = string	the identifier of this document view definition, should be unique in relation to a specific version
description	type: text = string	optional
formation	type: entity = product_defini- tion_formation	References associated productdefinition_formation
frame_of_reference	type: entity = product_defini- tion_context	reference to the associated product_definition_context
documentation_ids	type: entity = document_file	SET[1:?] of files that make up the definition of the document

Preprocessor Recommendations: Preprocessors should use this entity instead of the supertype product_definition when relating the representation view definition of a 'Document as Product' to its constituent external files. The value of the attribute id should be unique in relation to a specific version.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should interpret this entity as a document view representation definition that identifies the constituent external files that make it up.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#270=PRODUCT('doc_4711','packaging guide','packaging guideline for
part',(#260));
#300=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('document',$,(#270));
#310=DOCUMENT_TYPE('unspecified');
#320=DOCUMENT_FILE('t1','text.doc','file with text for the
guide',#310,'',$);
#330=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('ver3.2','version 3.2',#270);
#340=DOCUMENT_FILE('11','',$,#310,'',$);
#440=DOCUMENT_REPRESENTATION_TYPE('digital',#340);
#350=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_WITH_ASSOCIATED_DOCUMENTS('rep_id_3.2','represe
ntation of version 3.2',#330,#250,(#340,#320));
```

Example 35: exchange file for document with constituent external files

9 Document and File Properties

PDM Schema document properties can be associated to representations of documents as well as to individual files. If document properties are assigned to representations of documents, the characteristics apply as well to all the constituent files of the document representation in most cases. Some properties with numeric values, such as 'file size' and 'page count', applied to the document representation will not correspond to an individual file in a multiple file document representation, but to the sum of all the files that make up the particular document representation definition. To avoid redundancy it is recommended that properties that are shared by all constituents of a given document representation are directly associated with that document representation rather than replicated with the individual files.

9.1 Product Definition or Document Representation

The AIM entity product_definition or document_file is used with the identification of document properties and apply to the associated files.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The general schema for the assignment of properties to document representation (i.e., product_definition) or document files (i.e., document_file) is to instantiate a property definition tree with property_definition, property_definition_representation, representation and eventually multiple instantiations of descriptive_representation_item (or measure_representation_item) that provide the representation of a specific aspect of the represented property.

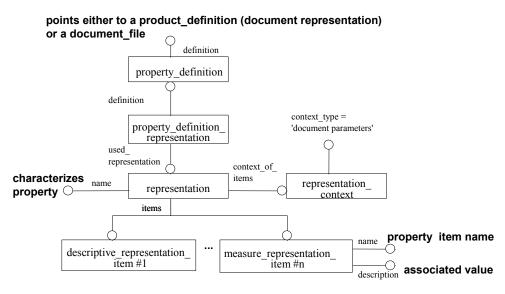


Diagram 40: General pattern for the association of document properties

9.1.1 property_definition

A property_definition is, in the given context, a property that characterizes a document representation or document file. It applies either to a product_definition (for the document representation) or a document_file.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute indicates via 'document property' that the property is related to a document representation or a document file.
- The *description* attribute provides additional description of the property.
- The definition attribute references the document object, which is characterized by the property_definition.

ENTITY property_definition	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	Type: identifier = string	should be instantiated as 'document property' in the given context
description	Type: text = string	optional, shall not be instantiated
definition	Type: entity = product_definition or product_definition_with_associated_documents or document_file	References associated document

Preprocessor Recommendations: It is recommended to instantiate not more than one property_definition with the value of the name attribute equal to 'document property' for each document representation definition (product_definition or product_definition_with_associated_documents) or document_file. One property_definition per document object shall be used to collect all document object properties via associated property_definition_representations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

9.1.2 property definition representation

A property_definition_representation is, in the given context, an association between a document property and its representation.

Attributes

- The *definition* attribute references the property_definition that is defined by the associated representation.
- The *used_representation* attribute points to a representation that collects the representations items that together describe the property.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
property_definition_representation		
definition	Type: entity = property_defini-	References associated property
	tion	definition
used_representation	Type: entity = representation	References associated representa-
	_	tion

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

9.1.3 representation

A representation is, in the context of document properties, a collection of one or more descriptive_representations_items that are related in a representation_context with type 'document parameters'. Herein a representation represents a document property.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute characterizes the type of the document related property via a string.
- The *items* attribute collect items that represent the values for a given property instantiation.
- The *context_of_items* attribute points to a representation_context. The representation_context has the type 'document parameters'.

ENTITY representation	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	Type: label = STRING	the name attribute characterizes
		the document related property
items	Type: entity = descriptive	the items that constitute the
	representation_item or	representation of the document
	measure_representation_item	property
context_of_items	Type: entity = representation	is required to point to a represent-
	context	ation_context with representa-
		tion_context.type set to 'docu-
		ment parameters'
id	Derived	should not be instantiated
description	Derived	should not be instantiated

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name characterizes the document related property. The representation is required to have a context with representation context.type = 'document parameters'

Postprocessor Recommendations: A postprocessor shall, in the given context, support the following values for representation.name 'document content', 'document creation', 'document format', 'document size'.

Related Entities: None specified.

9.1.4 representation_context

A representation_context is identifies the context (of type 'document parameters') of interpretation for the value of items in a representation.

Attributes

- The *context identifier* attribute identifies the context.
- The *context type* attribute specifies the type of the context.

ENTITY representation_context	Attribute Population	Remarks
context_identifier	Type: label = STRING	
context_type	Type: text = STRING	should be instantiated with value
		'document parameters'.

Preprocessor Recommendations: In order to distinguish the use of a representation for document properties, the context_type attribute of the representation_context entity has the value 'document parameters'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

9.1.5 descriptive_representation_item

A descriptive_representation_item is, in the document property context, a textual element that participates in one or more representations to define the respective properties.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute characterizes the information modeled with the descriptive_representation_item via a string.
- The *description* attribute defines a textual value as an instantiation of the modeled property.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
descriptive_representation_item		
name	Type: label = STRING	the name attribute indicates the
		name of the represented property
description	Type: text = STRING	the description is the value associated with the represent-
		ation item in textual form

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: In the given context the following instantiations of descriptive_representation_item.name shall be expected: 'detail level', 'geometry', 'language', 'real world scale', 'creating interface', 'creating system', 'operating system', 'data format', 'character code', 'size format', 'size format standard'.

Related Entities: The descriptive_representation_items for a given document property are collected in a representation. The representation characterizes the property via the attribute representation.name.

9.2 Document content property

The content related properties of documents are represented accordingly to the general scheme outlined above. To indicate that the property is content related the used representation must be instantiated with:

representation.name = 'document content'

This document content capability specifies characteristics detailing the content of a given document object. Aspects of the content property can be modeled via the following instantiations of descriptive_representation items collected in the above representation.

requirement	Descriptive	Descriptive_representation_item.description
	representation	
	_item.name	
The level of	'detail level'	Where applicable the following values shall be used:
detail that the		• 'rough 3d shape': 3D shape model without edge rounds and fillets;
document file or		• 'rounded edges': 3D shape model with edge rounds and fillets.
the document		
representation		
provides.		
The kind or kinds	'geometry	Where applicable the following values shall be used:
of geometry that		-
an object		• '3D wireframe model': The document contains a 3D shape model in
contains		wireframe representation;

requirement	Descriptive representation item.name	Descriptive_representation_item.description
Language or	'language'	 '2D shape': The document contains a 2D shape model or contours only; 'surface model': The document contains a 3D shape model in surface representation; 'closed volume': The document contains a 3D shape model in closed body topological surface representation; 'solid model': The document contains a 3D shape model in advanced boundary representation; 'solid and surface model': The document contains a 3D shape model in surface and advanced boundary representation; 'assembly': The document contains an assembly structure with reference to the assembled components and their transformation matrices; 'assembly with mating elements': The document contains an assembly structure including the mating components only, such as screws or rivets, with exact positioning information. This assembly representation is intended to be overlaid with the assembly structure for the main components; '2D drawing': The document contains a technical drawing without 3D shape representation; 'drawing derived from 3D data': The document contains a technical drawing that has been derived from a 3D shape model; 'drawing related to 3D data': The document contains a technical drawing that visualizes a 3D shape model and possibly establishes associative links to the 3D shape model. e.g., 'English"
languages are used in the characterized objects.		
the scale that is used	'real world scale'	e.g., '1:50'

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
/* Entities #210 to #250 assign document content parameters to 'file1'
(#80)
#210 = PROPERTY_DEFINITION('document property', '', #80);
#220 = PROPERTY_DEFINITION_REPRESENTATION(#210, #230);
#230 = REPRESENTATION('document content', (#240, #250), #200);
#240 = DESCRIPTIVE_REPRESENTATION_ITEM('detail level', 'rough 3D shape');
#250 = DESCRIPTIVE_REPRESENTATION_ITEM('geometry type', 'solid model');
```

Example 36: exchange file segment for content property representation

9.3 Document creation property

The content related properties of documents are represented accordingly to the general scheme outlined above. To indicate that the property is related to document creation the used representation must be instantiated with:

representation.name = 'document creation'

Aspects of the content property can be modeled via the following instantiations of descriptive_representation_items collected in the above representation. It is recommended that when document creation property information is represented in a corresponding representation then at least a descriptive_representation_item with name 'creating system' shall be instantiated.

requirement	Descriptive	Descriptive_representation_item.description
	representation	
	_item.name	
the computer application used to create the document object.	'creating interface"	e.g., "Postscript driver"
the computer application or the machine which is used to create the object that is characterized.	'creating system'	e.g., 'Microsoft Word V6'
the operating system that is used to execute the computer application that created the characterized object.	'operating system'	e.g., 'HP-UX 11'

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

Example 37: exchange file segment for creation property representation

9.4 Document format property

The format related properties of documents are represented accordingly to the general scheme outlined above. To indicate that the property is related to document format the used representation must be instantiated with:

representation.name = 'document format'

This capability specifies the format of a document object. At least one of the items shall be specified for each instance of this property representation. Aspects of the format property can be modeled via the following instantiations of descriptive representation items collected in the above representation.

requirement	descriptive representation item.name	Descriptive_representation_item.description
the convention	'data format'	Where applicable the following values shall be used:
that was used to structure the		'DXF', 'IGES', 'STEP AP203', 'STEP AP214', 'TIFF CCITT GR4', 'VDAFS',
information in		'VOXEL'
the characterized object		
the character	'character code'	Where applicable the following values shall be used:
code that is used for the stored data		'US ASCII 7bit', 'ISO LATIN-1', 'EBCDIC', 'binary'
the dimensions	'size format'	e.g., 'ISO A0', '0.2 x 0.4 x 0.4 meters'
of a physical	or 'size format	
presentation	standard' where applicable	

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
/* Entities #140 to #200 assign document format parameters to 'file1'
(#80)
#140 = PROPERTY_DEFINITION('document property', '', #80);
#150 = PROPERTY_DEFINITION_REPRESENTATION(#140, #160);
#160 = REPRESENTATION('document format', (#170, #190), #200);
#170 = DESCRIPTIVE_REPRESENTATION_ITEM('data format', 'VOXEL');
#190 = DESCRIPTIVE_REPRESENTATION_ITEM('character code', 'binary');
#200 = REPRESENTATION_CONTEXT('', 'document parameters');
```

Example 38: exchange file segment for format property representation

9.5 Document size property

The document size related properties of documents are represented accordingly to the general scheme outlined above. To indicate that the property is content related the used representation must be instantiated with:

representation.name = 'document size'

This capability specifies the size of document object. At least one of the items shall be specified for each instance of this property representation. The size property capability differs from the general scheme in the fact that measure_representation_items are instantiated instead of descriptive_representation_items. Aspects of the size property can be modeled via the following instantiations of measure_representation_items collected in the representation.

Requirement	measure_representation_item.name
the value that represents the size of a digitally stored document.	'file size'
the number of pages (of a physical document)	'page count'

9.5.1 measure representation item

A measure_representation_item is, in the document property context, an element that participates in one or more representations to define the respective properties by defining measure values with associated units.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute characterizes the information modeled with the measure_representation_item via a string.
- The value_component attribute defines a value as an instantiation of the modeled property.
- The *unit component* attribute provides the unit for the size or page counts measure.

ENTITY measure representation item	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = STRING	must be 'file size' or 'page count' in the given context
value_component	type: select measure_value = REAL -NUMBER	to indicate the select type it is recommended to instantiate COUNT_MEASURE(nr) for page numbers and CONTEXT_DEPENDENT_ME ASURE(size) for 'file size'
unit_component	type: select unit = NAMED UNIT DERIVED_UNIT	It is recommended to use a context_dependent_unit as unit component

Preprocessor Recommendations: For 'page count' it is recommended to instantiate an INTEGER as value_component. For 'file size' it is recommended to instantiate a REAL. The related dimensional_exponents should all be set to 0.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

Example 39: exchange file segment for size property representation

9.6 Document source property

This capability allows the specification of location of a document object in a digital or physical data storage system. This capability differs in its instantiation from the general document property pattern.

A central idea in capturing this requirement is that the document location comprises two components: storage node identification and path information. For digital files, for example, the storage item identification is equivalent to the file name, whereas the path information might describe the Internet node and directory in which the file can be found. The storage item identification is captured in applied_external_identification_assignment.assigned_id and the path information is mapped onto external_source_source_id.

The attribute identification_role.name is used to specify the mechanism being applied to identify the storage item and path information. Typical values for this attribute are 'URL' or 'ISBN' in the case of physical documents.

While applied_external_identification_assignment.assigned_id captures the file name, the attributes of the entity document_file allow for the specification of a unique identifier (attribute id) and nomenclature associated with the document or file (attribute name). The identifier is not necessarily the file name. However, if no document source property is assigned to a document_file, the following semantics may apply, depending on business process agreements:

- Document file.id may specify the file name;
- In this case, document_file.id would suffice to unambiguously identify the document_file. In particular, it means that file names are defined in the context of a local directory.

The attribute identification_role.description specifies whether the location is associated with a source system, destination system or with some node form which the file or document can be retrieved. For example, the name of a given file used in a technical data package assembled for exchange purposes may differ from the name for the equivalent file in the source system.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The instantiation diagram is shown below in Diagram 41.

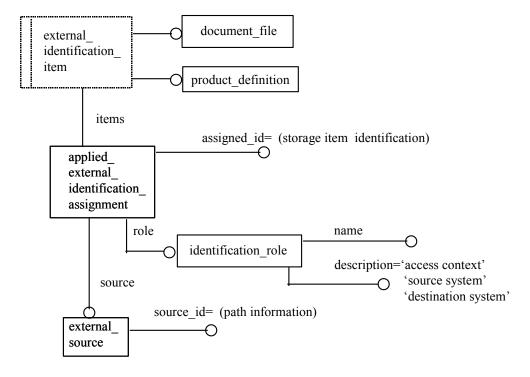


Diagram 41: Document source property instance diagram

9.6.1 identification_role

Identification role provides a name and a description for an identification assignment. In the context of this capability this entity specifies that the assignment structure be used to represent the document source property.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute characterizes the mechanism used to identify the storage item and the path information associated with the file or the representation of a document. Recommended values are:
 - 'URL',
 - 'FTP'.
 - 'ISBN' for physical documents,
 - 'Technical Data Package' meaning that the location is associated with a technical data package being used for data exchange purposes,
 - 'tracking' for physical models.
- The *description* attribute identifies the context associated with the location of the file or document.

ENTITY identification_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = STRING	
description	type: text = STRING	Must be 'source system',
		'destination system' or 'access
		context'

Preprocessor Recommendations: Identification_role.description shall be instantiated as 'source system', 'destination system' or 'access context' in the given context.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

9.6.2 applied external identification assignment

Applied_external_identification_assignment is used to assign an external source and identifier to a set of items.

Attributes

- The *assigned id* attribute captures the storage node identification.
- The *role* attribute specifies the identification_role instance, which captures the location context and the mechanism used to express the location.
- The *items* attribute is a set of document representations or document files for which the document source information is valid.

ENTITY applied_external_identification assignment	Attribute Population	Remarks
assigned_id	type: label = STRING	
role	type: entity = IDENTIFICA- TION_ROLE	
items	type: set of entity = product_definition (for document representations) or document_file	document objects for which the document source property applies

Preprocessor Recommendations: Applied_external_identification_assignment.assigned_id_shall_be instantiated with meaningful storage node location information of the file, document representation or physical module, even if this information is duplicated in the document file attributes id or name.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

9.6.3 external_source

An external_source is the identification of a source of product related data. In the context of the document source property the external source provides the name of the source by which it can be accessed in a storage system.

Attributes

• The *source_id* attribute defines the path information associated with the file or document location.

ecifies the path information
ERIVED: Instantiation of this ribute is not required.
4

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

NOTE - Additional document properties can be defined on an individual basis.

9.7 Additional Document Properties

Several implementations and pilot projects have identified the requirement to exchange additional properties beyond the pre-defined values given above. One example of such an additional defined property is that of notation related to a document, originating in the AP232.

9.7.1 Document Notation

General notation associated with documents are represented accordingly to the general scheme outlined above. To indicate that the property is related to document notation the used representation must be instantiated with:

representation.name = 'notation'

This capability specifies explanatory remarks or notations related to a document object that may be useful or informative to a human. An identifier may be associated with each note using the attribute descriptive_representation_item.name.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

/* Entities #140 to #200 assign document format parameters to 'file1' (#80)

```
#140 = PROPERTY_DEFINITION('document property', '', #80);
#150 = PROPERTY_DEFINITION_REPRESENTATION(#140, #160);
#160 = REPRESENTATION('notation', (#170), #200);
#170 = DESCRIPTIVE_REPRESENTATION_ITEM('rc1', 'actual notation text identified by the reference code rc1');
#200 = REPRESENTATION_CONTEXT('', 'document parameters');
```

Example 40: exchange file segment for document notation property

9.8 Document type classification

The PDM Schema supports the assignment of document type information to documents and document files. Type classification of documents is discussed in Sections 5.1.3 and 6. The other approach is outlined in the following subsections. In the case of an assignment to a document file, the type characteristics apply on an individual basis. The PDM Schema does not support the assignment of a classification system relative to which the classification has been done.

9.8.1 Document type classification for document files

A document_file provides in its attribute *kind* a pointer to the entity document_type. Document_type.product_data_type can be used for the classification of the type of the document_file.

9.8.1.1 document_type

Attributes

• The *product data type* attribute describes the type of product data represented by the document entity.

ENTITY document_type	Attribute Population	Remarks
product data type	type: identifier = string	

Preprocessor Recommendations: Where applicable the following values shall be used:

- 'geometry': The document file represents a shape model;
- 'NC data': The document file represents numerical control data;
- 'FE data': The document file represents finite element data;
- 'sample data': The document file represents measured data;
- 'process plan': The document file represents process planning data;
- 'check plan': The document file represents quality control planning data;
- 'drawing': The document file represents a technical drawing.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: This entity is required for each instance of the entity document.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#80 = DOCUMENT_FILE('file1', '', $, #90, '', $);
#90 = DOCUMENT_TYPE('geometry');
#100 = DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE('digital', #80);
```

Example 41: exchange file segment for document type classification related to files

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#50 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('');
#70 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('digital document definition', #50,
'');
#75 = DESCRIPTION_ATTRIBUTE('geometry', #75);
#110 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_WITH_ASSOCIATED_DOCUMENTS('dig1',
   'digital document 1', #10, #70, (#80));
```

Example 42: exchange file segment for document type classification for document representations

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE DESCRIPTION(('Xample file for document properties'), '2;1');
FILE NAME('', '15.06.1999, 10:39:20', ('N.N.'), (''), '', '', '');
FILE SCHEMA(('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC:
DATA;
/* entities #10 to #70 represent a managed document with its context
#10 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', 'version 1', #20);
#20 = PRODUCT('doc1', 'cad-model',
   'managed document representing a CAD model', (#30));
#30 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #50, '');
#40 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('document', '', (#20));
#50 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#60 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION ('version 1.2', 'pdm schema', 2000
#70 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('digital document definition', #50,
/* Entities #75 to #110 represent the digital document with id 'file1'
/* that is associated to the document #20 via #110
#75 = DESCRIPTION ATTRIBUTE ('geometry', #230);
#80 = DOCUMENT FILE('file1', '', $, #90, '', $);
#90 = DOCUMENT TYPE('geometry');
#100 = DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE ('digital', #80);
#110 = PRODUCT DEFINITION WITH ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS ('dig1',
   'digital document 1', \#10, \#70, (\#80));
/* Entities #120 to #130 represent an external hardcopy that is
associated */
/* via the reference #125 to the part view defined by #550
#120 = DOCUMENT FILE('hardcopy', '', $, #90, '', $);
#125 = APPLIED DOCUMENT REFERENCE(#120,'', (#550));
#130 = DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE ('physical', #120);
/* Entities #140 to #200 assign document format parameters to 'file1'
#140 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('document property', '', #80);
#150 = PROPERTY DEFINITION REPRESENTATION(#140, #160);
#160 = REPRESENTATION('document format', (#170, #180, #190), #200);
```

```
#170 = DESCRIPTIVE REPRESENTATION ITEM('document format', 'VOXEL');
#180 = DESCRIPTIVE REPRESENTATION ITEM('size format', '5MB');
#190 = DESCRIPTIVE_REPRESENTATION_ITEM('character code', 'binary');
#200 = REPRESENTATION CONTEXT('', 'document parameters');
/* Entities #210 to #250 assign document content parameters to 'file1'
#210 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('document property', '', #80);
#220 = PROPERTY DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#210, #230);
#230 = REPRESENTATION('document content', (#240, #250), #200);
#240 = DESCRIPTIVE REPRESENTATION ITEM('detail level', 'rough 3D
shape');
#250 = DESCRIPTIVE REPRESENTATION ITEM('geometry type', 'solid model');
/* Entities #210 to #250 assign document creation parameters to 'file1'
#260 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('document property', '', #80);
#270 = PROPERTY DEFINITION REPRESENTATION (#260, #280);
#280 = REPRESENTATION('document creation', (#290, #300, #310), #200);
#290 = DESCRIPTIVE REPRESENTATION ITEM('creating system', 'My CAD');
#300 = DESCRIPTIVE REPRESENTATION ITEM('operating system', 'Linux
2.1');
#310 = DESCRIPTIVE REPRESENTATION ITEM('creating interface',
   'export driver');
/* Entities #210 to #250 assign document format parameters to */
/* the hardcopy document defined by #120
#320 = PROPERTY DEFINITION('document property', '', #120);
#330 = PROPERTY DEFINITION REPRESENTATION(#320, #340);
#340 = REPRESENTATION('document format', (#360), #200);
#360 = DESCRIPTIVE REPRESENTATION ITEM('size format', 'A0');
/* Entities #490 to #640 define the part master data and the
association */
/* of the documents to the part
*/
#490 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #500, #510);
#500 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('Part', '', (#520));
#510 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('Detail', $, (#520));
#520 = PRODUCT('mp1', 'my part', '', (#30));
#530 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', '', (#520));
#540 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #520);
#550 = PRODUCT DEFINITION ('ddid', 'design view on my part', #540,
#560);
#560 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #50, '');
#590 = APPLIED DOCUMENT REFERENCE(#600, 'equivalence', (#550));
\#600 = DOCUMENT('', '', ''', \#610);
#610 = DOCUMENT TYPE('configuration controlled document version');
\#620 = ROLE \ ASSOCIATION(\#630, \#590);
#630 = OBJECT ROLE ('obligatory', '');
#640 = DOCUMENT PRODUCT EQUIVALENCE('equivalence', '', #600, #10);
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 43: complete instantiation example for document properties

10 Document and File Association with Product Data

In 'Document as Product' documents and external files may be associated with product data. This association is done in a consistent way using an applied reference with a specified role. The applied reference is realized structurally by the PDM Schema entities document and applied_document_reference.

When associating a managed 'Document as Product' to product data, the document master is linked to the applied reference constructs using the additional entity document_product_equivalence. This linkage may be made at the level of the base identification, the document version, or the document representation view definition. The recommended level from which a document master should reference other product data is the document version.

External files may also be associated with product data, in a way that is structurally consistent with that used for documents, using the entity applied_document_reference.

10.1 Document Reference

In 'Document as Product' documents may be associated with product data by reference in a specified role. The base document identification, the document version, or the document representation definition may serve as the point of assignment for a document master to be associated with other product data. It is generally recommended to make a document reference from the level of document version.

Reference of a managed document to product data is accomplished using the entities document_product_equivalence, document, document type, and applied document reference.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements of document association with other product data are shown in Diagram 42.

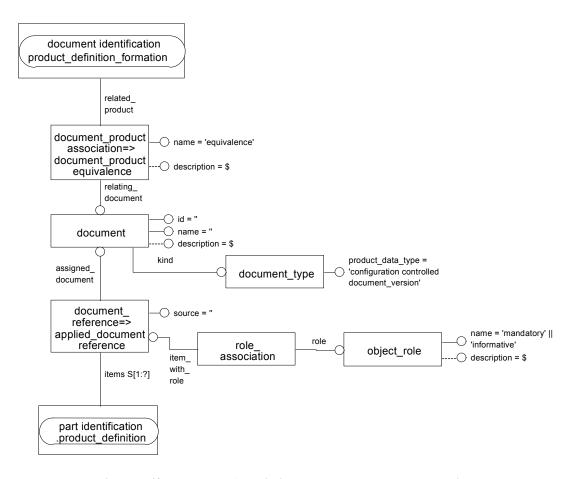


Diagram 42: Document Association to Product Data Instance Diagram

10.1.1 document_product_equivalence

This entity is a subtype of document_product_association relating a document to a 'product'. It asserts that the related product (or product_definition_formation or product_definition) in this case represents an element of a document master that is assigned as a reference to some other product data. The related_product attribute may refer to an instance of the entity product, product_definition_formation, or product_definition by way of the select type product_or_definition_or_formation. This provides the possibility to assign it to some other product data as a reference when used with the related entities document and applied_document_reference.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute characterizes the nature of this relationship.
- The *description* attribute is optional.
- The *related product* attribute references the portion of the document master that is being assigned.
- The *relating_document* attribute has a document entity in a document_reference to some product data.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
document_product_equivalence		
name	type: label = string	
	'equivalence'	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
related_product	type: product_or_definition_or	specifies the component of the
	formation (select)	document master that is the point

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
document_product_equivalence		
		of association to product data
relating_document	type: entity = document	

Preprocessor Recommendations: This entity should be used only when the requirement exists to associate a 'Document as Product' with product data. If the 'Document as Product' is not associated with product data, then this entity should not be instantiated.

The relating_document attribute always has a document entity as its value. Additional constraints apply to the document_type entity related to this document by the kind attribute. These prescribe a value for the product_data_type attribute of this document_type entity, correlated with the following select type values of the relating document:

- Product => 'configuration controlled document'
- Product definition formation => 'configuration controlled document version'
- Product definition
 => 'configuration controlled document definition'

Of these possible options for assignment, it is recommended to assign the 'configuration controlled document version' to product data. When assigned as a reference to a part master identification, it is recommended to assign the document version (product_definition_formation) to the view definition (product_definition) within the part master.

Postprocessor Recommendations: When importing an instance of this entity, postprocessors should recognize that the related_product attribute references a 'Document as Product'. The relating_document attribute references an instance of document that exists to allow assignment of the 'Document as Product' to product data.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

10.1.2 document

This entity is only instantiated as itself when used as the relating_document in a document_product_equivalence relationship. In this role, the document entity is equated with the document master, and works together with the applied_document_reference to support the assignment of managed documents to product data in the STEP PDM Schema.

Attributes

• The *kind* attribute references a document type entity.

ENTITY document	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	Not to be used for valid user data.
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
kind	type: entity = document_type	The product_data_type attribute on this referenced entity is constrained by the entity docu- ment_product_equivalence

Preprocessor Recommendations: The document entity is only to be instantiated as itself in this role within the document_product_equivalence. In this case, the document identification is represented by the product master - the attributes on the document entity should not be used for identification of the managed document. It is not instantiated as itself, but as the subtype document_file when used to represent the identification of an external file reference (see 7.1).

Postprocessor Recommendations: The document entity is only a structural element in the assignment of a managed document to product data, along with the entity applied_document_reference. Identification of the managed document is represented by the product master entities according to the 'Document as Product' approach.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

10.1.3 document_type

This entity is required for each instance of the entity document. In the given context, this entity is used to indicate that the related document objects are under configuration control. This corresponding usage of document type is not to be used for a specific document object classification.

Attributes

• The *product_data_type* attribute describes the type of product data represented by the document entity.

ENTITY document_type	Attribute Population	Remarks
product_data_type	type: identifier = string	

Preprocessor Recommendations: In this use for document master identification, the attribute product_data_type is constrained by the entity document_product_equivalence to take one of the following values: 'configuration_controlled_document', 'configuration_controlled_document_version', or 'configuration_controlled document definition'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

10.1.4 applied_document_reference

This entity is a subtype of document_reference. It supports the assignment of documents to elements of product data within the select type document_reference_item. Notably, documents may be assigned to the part master view definition (product_definition) or to an individual occurrence of a part definition usage in an assembly structure (product_definition_relationship). Likewise, documents can be associated by versioned_action_request, executed_action or action_method. For additional information, see versioned_action_request 15.1.1.1, executed_action 15.2.2.1 or action_method 15.1.1.5.

Attributes

- The *source* attribute is inherited from the supertype document referen
- The *items* attribute indicates the elements of product data referenced by the managed document.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
applied_document_reference		
Source	type: label = text	
Assigned_document	type: entity = document	This referenced instance is the only case where the document entity is instantiated as itself, and not the subtype document file.
Items	type: document_reference_item = select	SET [1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: The inverse attribute role requires the associated entities role_association and object_role be instantiated related to this entity. Preprocessors should support as a minimum the assignment of document to the product_definition representing a part view definition.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should as a minimum recognize the assignment of document to the product definition representing a part view definition.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

10.1.5 role_association

This entity provides the item_with_role with a named role string. This is the method to add a role attribute to referenced entities that do not have one defined.

Attributes

- The *item_with_role* attribute references the role_select type.
- The *role* attribute references an instance of the entity object_role.

ENTITY role_association	Attribute Population	Remarks
item_with_role	type: role_select = select	
role	type: entity = object_role	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

10.1.6 object_role

This entity assigns a role to the associated document reference. For example two generic roles that may be used are 'mandatory' and 'informative'. Other role names are allowed when additional knowledge is required that provides specific semantics as to the role of the association between the document and the particular product data. Some of these additional role names are defined in the STEP APs. The two generic role names defined as examples are:

- 'mandatory' means the assignment of the document to the product data is in a mandatory relationship the document must be taken into account to understand the complete product information.
- 'informative' means the assignment of the document to the product data is an optional relationship the document may be considered for additional information, but is not required or enforced.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute indicates the name of the role.
- The *description* attribute is optional.

ENTITY object_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
Name	type: label = string 'mandatory', 'informative', other	Other string values are valid based on requirements found in the APs that utilize the PDM
		schema
Description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute should have the value 'mandatory' or 'informative' if the required semantics to be captured is to indicate if the associated document reference is required or optional, respectively. APs using the PDM schema may have other values for the name attribute that the preprocessor will need to handle.

Postprocessor Recommendations: The postprocessor should interpret name attribute as 'mandatory' or 'informative' when the required semantics being exchanged is to indicate if the associated document

reference is required or optional, respectively. APs using the PDM schema may have other values for the name attribute that the postprocessor will need to handle.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#70=PRODUCT('MP-03-2', 'my part',$,(#60));
#80=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('03','3rd modification',#70);
#90=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('/NULL',$,#80,#50);
...
#360=DOCUMENT_PRODUCT_EQUIVALENCE('equivalence',$,#370,#280);
#370=DOCUMENT('','',$,#380);
#380=DOCUMENT_TYPE('configuration controlled document version');
#390=APPLIED_DOCUMENT_REFERENCE(#370,'',(#90));
#400=ROLE_ASSOCIATION(#410,#390);
#410=OBJECT_ROLE('mandatory',$);
```

Example 44: exchange file segment for document association to product data

10.2 External File Reference

External files may also be associated with product data in a way that is consistent but simpler than that used for documents. While the requirement to assign documents to various product data is basically supported by three additional entities: document_product_equivalence, document, and applied_document_reference, external files need only the applied_document_reference entity to be related as a reference to other product data.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of external file association to product data are illustrated in Diagram 43.

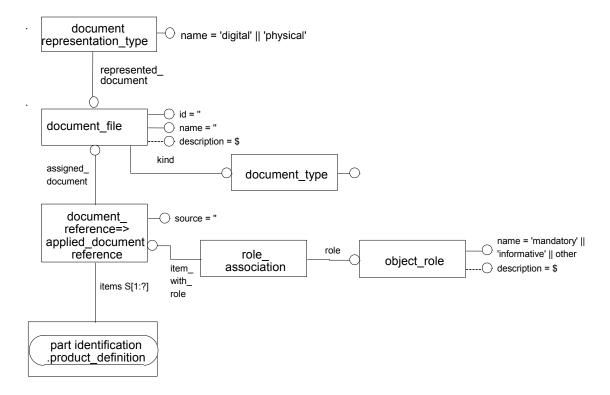


Diagram 43: External File Association to Product Data Instance Diagram

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#70=PRODUCT('MP-03-2','my part',$,(#60));
#80=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('03','3rd modification',#70);
#90=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('/NULL',$,#80,#50);
...
#120=DOCUMENT_TYPE('geometry');
#130=DOCUMENT_FILE('measure file id','measure data',$,#120,'',$);
#140=APPLIED_DOCUMENT_REFERENCE(#130,'',(#90));
#150=OBJECT_ROLE('informative',$);
#160=ROLE_ASSOCIATION(#150,#140);
#170=DOCUMENT_REPRESENTATION_TYPE('digital',#130);
```

Example 45: exchange file segment for external file association to product data

10.3 Constrained Document or File Reference

Constraints may be specified on the association of documents or files with product data, in order to distinguish a portion of the entire document or file that applies in the reference.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of constrained document or file association to product data are illustrated in Diagram 44.

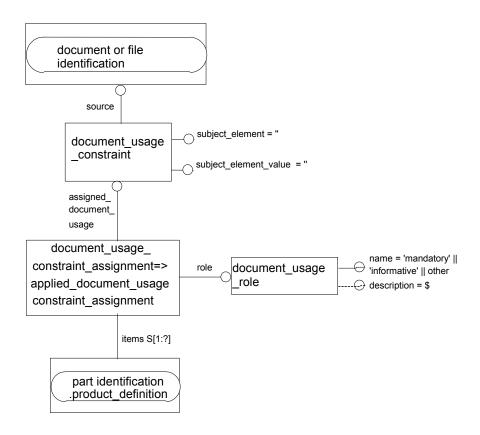


Diagram 44: Constrained Document Association to Product Data Instance Diagram

10.3.1 document_usage_constraint

This entity identifies a portion of a document that is applicable for a given usage.

Attributes

- The *source* attribute references the complete document or file of which a portion is distinguished.
- The subject_element attribute describes the portion or element of the complete document.
- The *subject_element_value* attribute conveys a specific value of the subject_element.

ENTITY document_usage_constraint	Attribute Population	Remarks
source	type: entity = document	May be document_file in the case
		of an external file reference
subject_element	type: label = string	
subject_element_value	type: text = string	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The subject_element should identify the relevant portion or section of the document that is applicable. The subject_element_value describes how the subject_element is to be interpreted.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should interpret the subject_element as an indication of the relevant portion of the entire document.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

10.3.2 applied_document_usage_constraint_assignment

This entity is a subtype of document_usage_constraint_assignment. It supports the constrained assignment of a document to product data. A constrained assignment identifies only a portion of the entire document that is relevant in the assignment.

Attributes

- The assigned document usage attribute references the associated document usage constraint.
- The *role* attribute identifies the role of the assignment.
- The *items* attribute references the product data to which the partial document is assigned.

ENTITY applied_document_usage constraint_assignment	Attribute Population	Remarks
assigned_document_usage	type: entity = document usage_constraint	
role	type: entity = document_usage_role	
items	type : documents reference_item = select	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

10.3.3 document_usage_role

This entity identifies the role of the constrained document assignment.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute identifies the role of the document assignment.
- The *description* attribute is optional.

ENTITY document_usage_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type : label = string	Other string values are valid
	'mandatory', 'informative',	based on requirements found in
	other	APs that utilize the PDM schema.
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute should have the value 'mandatory' or 'informative' if the required semantics to be captured is to indicate if the associated document reference is required or optional, respectively. APs using the PDM schema may have other values for the name attribute that the preprocessor will need to handle.

Postprocessor Recommendations: The postprocessor should interpret name attribute as 'mandatory' or 'informative' when the required semantics being exchanged is to indicate if the associated document reference is required or optional, respectively. APs using the PDM schema may have other values for the name attribute that the postprocessor will need to handle.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#180=DOCUMENT_TYPE('geometry');
#190=DOCUMENT_FILE('plot_1','plot data',$,#180,'',$);
#200=DOCUMENT_USAGE_CONSTRAINT(#190,'sheet','one');
#210=DOCUMENT_USAGE_ROLE('informative',$);
#220=APPLIED_DOCUMENT_USAGE_CONSTRAINT_ASSIGNMENT(#200,#210,(#90));
#230=DOCUMENT_REPRESENTATION_TYPE('physical',#190);
```

Example 46: exchange file segment for constrained document association to product data

The following section combines the above-discussed concepts and segments in a complete example. The concepts instantiated in the example are illustrated in Figure 11.

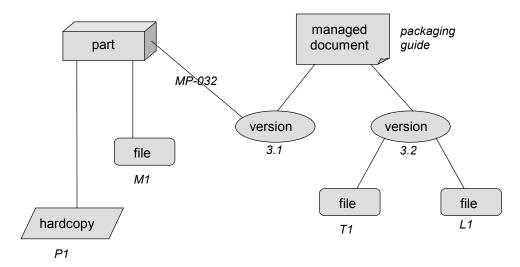


Figure 11: Schematic Overview of Complete Document and File Example

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of constrained document or file association to product data are illustrated in Diagram 45, Diagram 46, Diagram 47, and Diagram 48.

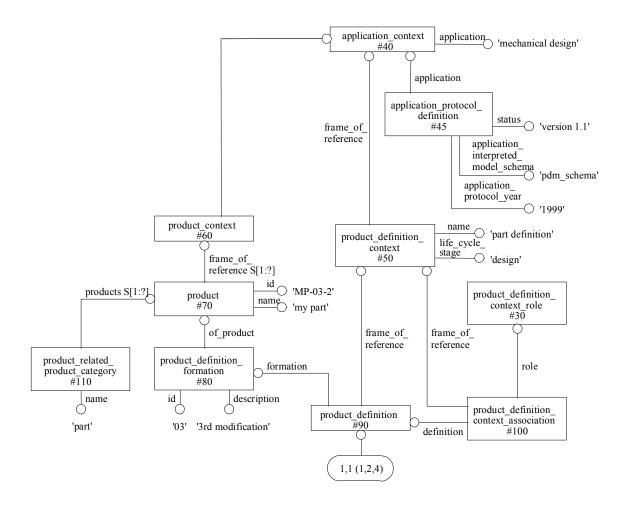


Diagram 45: Part Master Instance Diagram

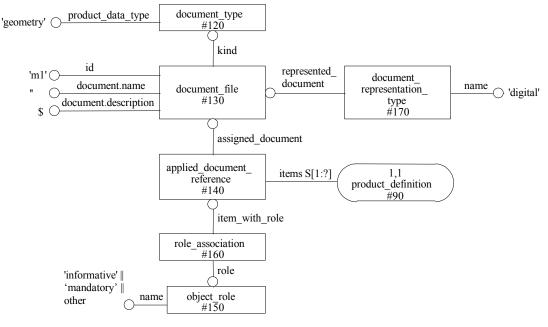


Diagram 46: External File Reference to Part View Definition Instance Diagram

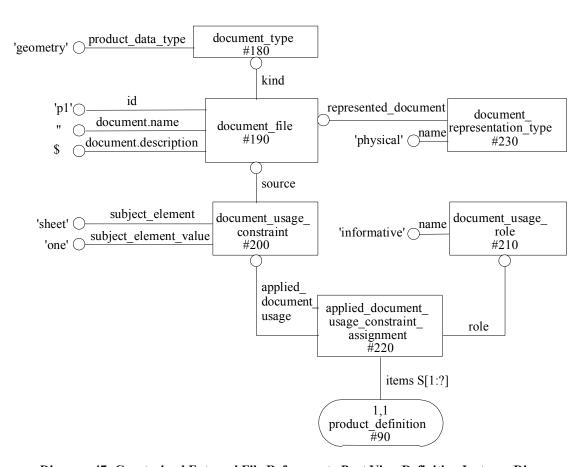


Diagram 47: Constrained External File Reference to Part View Definition Instance Diagram

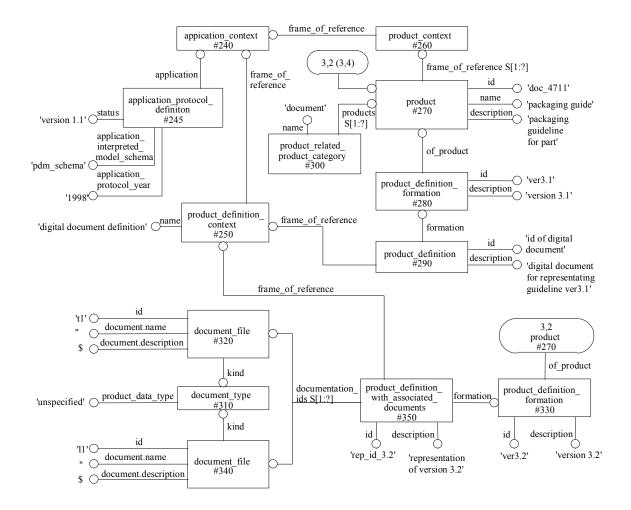


Diagram 48: Document and Constituent File Association Instance Diagram

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE DESCRIPTION(('pdm schema data', 'pdm schema'), '2;1');
FILE NAME('C:document xample.stp', '1999-\overline{5}-20 T12:39:1', (''), (), '',
   '', '');
FILE SCHEMA(('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC;
DATA;
/* Entities #10 - #20 define part master data
                                                                        * /
/* To the product definition #90 is a life cycle specific view on
                                                                        */
                                                                        */
/* that part to which documents and external files
/* are assigned in the following sections of this file
#30=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('',$);
#40=APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#45=APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION('version
1.2', 'pdm schema', 2000, \#40);
#50=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #40, 'design');
#60=PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #40,'');
```

```
#70=PRODUCT('MP-03-2','my part',$,(#60));
#80=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('03','3rd modification', #70);
#90=PRODUCT DEFINITION('/NULL',$,#80,#50);
#100=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#90, #50, #30);
#110=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#70));
/* Entities #120 to #170 model the assignment of
                                                                    */
                                                                    * /
/* digital file data to the product definition #90
#120=DOCUMENT TYPE('geometry');
#130=DOCUMENT FILE('m1','',$,#120,'',$);
#140=APPLIED DOCUMENT REFERENCE(#130,'', (#90));
#150=OBJECT ROLE ('informative',$);
#160=ROLE ASSOCIATION(#150, #140);
#170=DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE ('digital', #130);
/* Entities #180 to #230 model the assignment of hardcopy document
*/
/* data to the product definition #90
/* This assignment is partial, i.e., in addition the information is */
/* conveyed that only sheet one of the hardcopy (plots) shall be */
/* logically assigned
#180=DOCUMENT TYPE('geometry');
#190=DOCUMENT FILE ('p1','',$,#180,'',$);
#200=DOCUMENT_USAGE_CONSTRAINT(#190,'sheet','one');
#210=DOCUMENT USAGE ROLE ('informative',$);
#220=APPLIED DOCUMENT USAGE CONSTRAINT ASSIGNMENT(#200,#210,(#90));
#230=DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE ('physical', #190);
/* Entities #240 to #350 model a managed document (document
                                                                   * /
/* as product) For this document two versions are specified
                                                                   * /
/*(#280 and #330) To version 3.2 (#330) two files (#320, #340)
/* that constitute the document are defined
#240=APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#250=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('digital document definition', #240,'');
#260=PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #240,'');
#270=PRODUCT('doc 4711', 'packaging guide', 'packaging guideline for
part', (#260));
#280=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('ver3.1','version 3.1',#270);
#290=PRODUCT DEFINITION('id of digital document', 'digital document for
representing quideline ver3.1', #280, #250);
#300=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('document', $, (#270));
#310=DOCUMENT TYPE('unspecified');
#320=DOCUMENT FILE ('t1','',$,#310,'',$);
#330=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('ver3.2','version 3.2',#270);
#340=DOCUMENT FILE('11','','file with logo for the guide', #310,'',$);
#350=PRODUCT DEFINITION WITH ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS ('rep id 3.2', 'represe
ntation of version 3.2', #330, #250, (#340, #320));
/* Entities #360 to #410 establish the association of the
/* managed document version #280 (packaging guide) with the view
                                                                      */
/* of the part modeled via product definition #90
#360=DOCUMENT PRODUCT EQUIVALENCE('equivalence', $, #370, #280);
#370=DOCUMENT('','',$,#380);
#380=DOCUMENT TYPE('configuration controlled document version');
#390=APPLIED DOCUMENT REFERENCE(#370,'',(#90));
#400=ROLE ASSOCIATION(#410, #390);
#410=OBJECT ROLE('mandatory',$);
```

ENDSEC; END-ISO-10303-21;

Example 47: exchange file for complete document and file identification and association

11 Document and File Relationships

This section discusses relationships between files, document representation and sequence structure relationships between versions of managed documents.

The PDM Schema supports the definition of document structure by defining relationships of the representations of the documents using the entity product_definition_relationship. The PDM Schema supports the definition of corresponding relationships between document_file instances via the entity document_relationship. In addition, the PDM Schema supports the definition of relations between versions of a managed document to model document history.

11.1 'Sequence' relationships between document versions

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of part version sequence history are illustrated in Diagram 32.

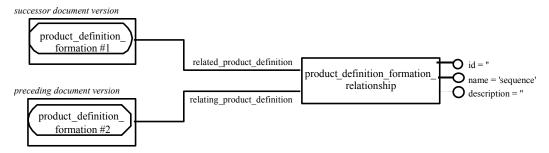


Diagram 49: Document Version (sequence) History Instance Diagram

11.1.1 product_definition_formation_relationship

In this context the entity product_definition_formation_relationship is used to establish sequence relationships between product_definition_formations instances that represent document versions. In consequence, the interpretation of the 'document as product' approach the entity structure is exactly the same as used in the approach for part version history.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute provides an identifier of the relationship.
- The *name* attribute specifies this relationship represents a version 'sequence' history.
- The *relating_product_definition_formation* attribute references the preceding part version .
- The *related product definition formation* attribute references the subsequent part version.

ENTITY product_definition_formation_ Relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	
name	type: label = string	shall be 'sequence'
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
related_product_definition_formation	type : entity = product_definition formation	subsequent document version
relating_product_definition_formation	type : entity = product	preceding document version
	definition formation	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The value 'sequence' for the name attribute identifies this as the version sequence history relationship. There is no standard mapping for the description attribute in a product_definition_formation_relationship. The id attribute must be unique with respect to the relationship, but there is no standard mapping for the value.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Since there are no standard mapping for the description attributes for a product_definition_formation_relationship, it is recommended that postprocessors not assign any processing significance to this value.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
/* primary application context for design assembly life cycle */
#1000 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #1000, '');
#230 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ('document definition', #1000,
'design');
/* product type discrimination */
/* #100 identifies the instance #2 as representing a document */
#100=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('document', $, (#2));
/* version A - preceding version */
#2=PRODUCT('11000','a document','description for doc 11000',(#220));
#3=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', 'version A for the document', #2);
#4=PRODUCT DEFINITION('D1', 'detailed drawing', #3, #230);
/* version B - subsequent version */
#10=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('B', 'version B for the document
11000', #2);
#11=PRODUCT DEFINITION('D2','detailed drawing',#10,#230);
#16=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION RELATIONSHIP('id','sequence',$,#3,#10)
;
```

Example 48: exchange file for document version history

11.2 Relationships between document representations

Product_definition_relationship associates, in the given context, two instances of product_definition that model a representation of a document. The semantics of the relationship are defined by the attributes name and description of the entity product_definition_relationship. The name attribute of product_definition_relationship defines the relation type.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The figure below shows the general structure to link two product_definitions that model document representations. The semantics of the relation is defined by the string provided in product_definition_relationship.name.

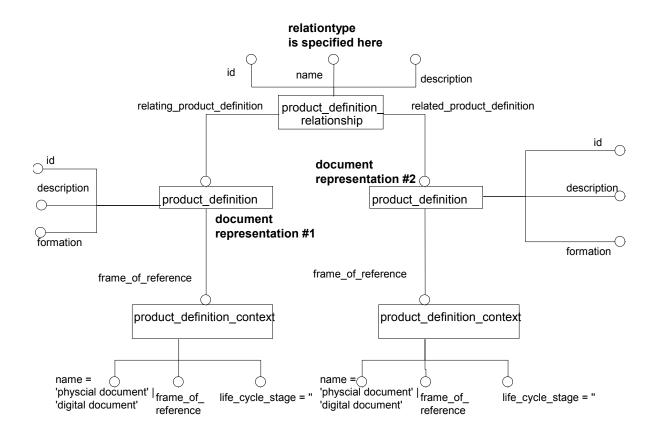


Diagram 50: document representation relationship Instance Diagram

11.2.1 product_definition_relationship

Attributes

- The *id* is an identifier that distinguishes the product definition relationship.
- The *name* is the label by which the product_definition_relationship is known.
- The *description* is an optional text that characterizes the product definition relationship.
- The *relating_product_definition* contains one of the product_definition entity types, which is a part of the relationship.
- The *related_product_definition* is the other product_definition, which is part of the relationship. If one attribute is dependent upon the other, this attribute shall be the dependent one.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
product_definition_relationship		
Id	type: identifier = string	should be instantiated as "
Name	type: label = string	defines the semantics of the
		relation (see table below)
Description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
Relating_product_definition	entity: product_definition	
Related_product_definition	entity: product_definition	

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: the usage of product_definition_relationship described here relates two product_definitions that define document representations.

Where applicable the following values shall be used for product_definition_relationship.name:

- 'addition': specifies that the related document provides supplementary or collateral information with regard to the information provided by the relating document;
- 'copy': defines a relationship where the related document representation is a copy of the relating document representation;
- 'derivation': defines a relationship where the related document representation is derived from the relating document representation (e.g., a raster image may be derived from a 3D CAD model);
- 'decomposition': defines a relationship where the related document representation is one of potentially more sub documents of the relating document representation (e.g., a decomposition of a document into clauses or into several CAD models);
- 'peer': specifies that the related document provides required information with regard to that provided by the relating document. The peer document is essential for a complete understanding;
- 'reference': defines a relationship where the related document is referenced from the relating, e.g., a text processor representation referencing a CGM representation for inclusion as a graphical object in the text document;
- 'sequence': defines a logical sequence where the related document representation comes after the relating document representation (e.g., a sequence of clauses);
- 'substitution': defines a relationship where the related document representation replaces the relating document representation;
- 'translation': specifies that the related product_definition (document) was generated from the relating product definition (document) with the intent to convey exactly the same information.

Examples: a 'translation' can geometry data from one system and presenting in an another systems, such as using Unigraphics geometry data and 'translating' in into another format, such as CATIA geometry data. The intent would be to make the geometry shape as close to the same as possible. A 'translation' can apply to other types of data as well. A standards document can be produced in WordPerfect and 'translated' to a pdf format. The intent is to keep the printable or viewable image of the document exactly the same in both file formats.

The relation types 'decomposition' and 'substitution' can be used to model 'assembly'-type structures of document representations. This approach does not mirror the approach taken with assembly_component_usage for the product structure. This reflects the understanding that there is no common requirement to manage document representation structures in the same way as product structure.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE_DESCRIPTION(('example for document rep structures'),
    '2;1');
FILE_NAME('', '20.08.1999, 10:16:08', ('n.n.'), (''),
    '', '', '');
FILE_SCHEMA(('PDM_SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC;
DATA;
/* Entities #10 to #60 define the meta data for a managed document */
```

```
#10 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #20);
\#20 = PRODUCT('d1', 'doc1', 'document nr 1', (\#40));
#30 = PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT CATEGORY('document', '', (#20));
#40 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #50, '');
#50 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#60 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION ('version 1.2', 'pdm schema', 2000
    , #50);
/* Entities #70 to #90 defines two digital files. The digital file #70
/* represents a text processor file with included graphics. The digital
* /
/* file #90 represents an image file to be included in #70
#70 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('doc1 master', 'text file including graphics
for doc1', \#10, \#80);
#80 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('digital document definition', #50,
#90 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('doc1 image', 'image to be included in doc1',
#10, #80);
/* Entity #100 defines that the file #90 (image) is referenced by the
/* file #70 (text master file)
#100 = PRODUCT DEFINITION RELATIONSHIP('', 'reference', $, #70, #90);
/* other product data follows */
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 49: document representation relationship instantiation

11.3 Relationships between external files

Document_relationship associates, in the given context, two instances of document files. The semantics of the relationship are defined by the attributes name and description of the entity document_relationship. The name attribute of document_relationship defines the relation type. The semantics of the relation types mirror the capability as defined for the relationships between document representations.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The generic structure to establish a relationship between document_files is illustrated in Diagram 51. The semantics of such a relation is identified via document relationship.name.

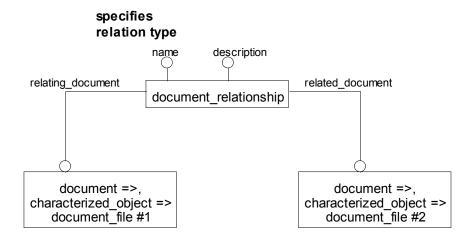


Diagram 51: relation between document files

11.3.1 document_relationship

Attributes

- The *name* defines the semantics of the document relationship.
- The *description* is an optional text that characterizes the document_relationship.
- The *relating_document* contains one of the document file entity types, which is a part of the relationship.
- The *related_document* is the other document file, which is part of the relationship. If one attribute is dependent upon the other, this attribute shall be the dependent one.

ENTITY document_relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
Name	type: label = string	defines the semantics of the
		relation (see table below)
Description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
relating_document	entity: document	in this context the subtype document_file of document is used
related_document	entity: document	in this context the subtype document_file of document is used

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: A document relationship entity relates two document file instances.

Where applicable the following values shall be used:

- 'addition': specifies that the related document provides supplementary or collateral information with regard to the information provided by the relating document;
- 'copy': defines a relationship where the related document file is a copy of the relating document file;
- 'derivation': defines a relationship where the related document file is derived from the relating document file (e.g., a raster image may be derived from a 3D CAD model);

- 'decomposition': defines a relationship where the related document file is one of potentially more sub documents of the relating document file (e.g., a decomposition of a document into clauses or into several CAD models);
- 'peer': specifies that the related document provides required information with regard to that provided by the relating document. The peer document is essential for a complete understanding;
- 'reference': defines a relationship where the related document is referenced from the relating, e.g., a text processor file referencing a CGM file for inclusion as a graphical object in the text document;
- 'sequence': defines a logical sequence where the related document file comes after the relating document file (e.g., a sequence of clauses);
- 'substitution': defines a relationship where the related document file replaces the relating document file;
- 'translation': specifies that the related document_file (file) was generated from the relating document file (file) with the intent to convey exactly the same information.

Examples: a 'translation' can geometry data from one system and presenting in an another systems, such as using Unigraphics geometry data and 'translating' in into another format, such as CATIA geometry data. The intent would be to make the geometry shape as close to the same as possible. A 'translation' can apply to other types of data as well. A standards document can be produced in WordPerfect and 'translated' to a pdf format. The intent is to keep the printable or viewable image of the document exactly the same in both file formats.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE DESCRIPTION((''),'2;1');
FILE NAME ('', '20.08.1999, 13:19:42', (''), (''),
   '<sup>-</sup>, '', '');
FILE SCHEMA(('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC;
DATA;
#10 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #20);
#20 = PRODUCT('doc', 'versioned doc', 'a managed document', (#40));
#30 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('document', '', (#20));
#40 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #50, '');
#50 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#60 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION ('version 1.2', 'pdm schema', 2000
, #50);
#80 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('digital document definition', #50,
#90 = DOCUMENT FILE('file 1', '', "', #110, '', $);
#100 = DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE ('digital', #90);
#110 = DOCUMENT TYPE('');
#120 = PRODUCT DEFINITION WITH ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS ('dig doc',
'digital document for doc', #10, #80, (#90, #130));
#130 = DOCUMENT_FILE('file_2', '', '', #110, '', $);
#140 = DOCUMENT REPRESENTATION TYPE ('digital', #130);
#150 = DOCUMENT RELATIONSHIP('sequence','defines a sequence relation',
      #90, #130);
/* other product data follows */
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 50: exchange file for document file relationship

12 Alias Identification

An alias identification is a mechanism to associate an object with an additional identifier that is used to identify the object of interest in a different context, either in another organization, or in some other context. The alias identification mechanism shall not be used to alias supplied parts. See Supplied Part Identification 4.5.4.

The scope of the alias identification shall be specified either by the description of the associated identification_role or – if the scope is defined by an organization – with help of an applied_organization_assignment. The scope of an alias defines the context in which the id specified via applied_identification_assignment.assigned_id overrides the original id. A scenario might be that an object has an id in the context of the organization assigned in the role 'id owner' as a primary id and other ids defined via aliases that are valid in the context of some other organizations.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The structure of the alias assignment is illustrated in Diagram 52. The applied_identification_assignment #1 implements the alias via pointing to the to be aliased objects via applied_identification_assignment.items. The alias is represented in the attribute applied_identification_assignment.assigned_id. To mark the applied_identification_assignment as an alias, an instance of identification_role with name = 'alias' is attached to it.

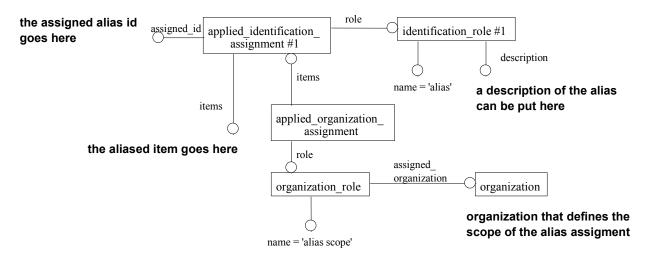


Diagram 52: Alias Identification Instance Diagram

The following table list the objects to which aliases can be assigned in the PDM Schema:

Entity type	purpose of usage as aliased item (applied_identifica-	
	tion_assignment.items)	
approval_status	allows an alias for the name for the status of	
	acceptance, i.e., approval_status.name	
document_file	allows an alias for the id of a digital or physical file,	
	i.e., document_file.id	
organization	allows an alias for organization.id	
product_definition	allows an alias identification for product_definition.id.	
	This capability can be used for instances of	
	product_definition that model document representa-	
	tions as well as for production_definitions that	
	represent views on parts	

Entity type	purpose of usage as aliased item (applied_identifica-	
	tion_assignment.items)	
product_definition_formation	allows an alias identification for product_defini-	
	tion_formation.id. This capability can be used for	
	instances of product_definition_formation that model	
	document versions as well as for production_defini-	
	tion_formations that represent versions of parts	
product	allows an alias identification for product.id. This capability can be used for instances of product that model documents as well as for instances of the entity product that represent parts. See Supplied Part Identification 4.5.4	
shape_aspect_relationship	allows an alias identification for shape_aspect_relationship.id. This capability can be used for instances of shape_aspects that model portions of a part as well as for instances of the entity shape_aspect_relationship that represent complete parts.	

12.1.1.1 applied_identification_assignment

This entity is a subtype of the entity identification_assignment. It allows the actual assignment of an identification_assignment entity to product data, in this case to a document_file entity representing an external file.

Attributes

- the *assigned_id* provides the identification string that is assigned to the objects listed in the items attribute.
- the *role* references an instance of identification_role that defines the role of the assignment. In the context here this role has the name 'alias'.
- The *items* attribute is used to reference the associated external file.

ENTITY applied_identification	Attribute Population	Remarks
assignment		
assigned_id	type: identifier = string	
role	type: entity = identification	
	role	
items	type : entity =	

Preprocessor Recommendations: For each applied_identification_assignment used as an alias identification an identification_role with name, 'alias' must be used.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: If the scope of an alias is an organization, this scope can be specified by using an applied_organization_assignment that points to the applied_identification_assignment, which represents the alias.

12.1.1.2 identification_role

This entity defines a role for an identification_assignment and a description of that role. In the scope of the alias concept the identification_role has to be labeled 'alias'.

Attributes

• The *name* is the label by which the identification role is known.

• The *description* is an optional text that characterizes the identification_role.

ENTITY identification_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string 'version'	must be instantiated as 'alias'
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: The description attribute can be used to specify the applicability of an alias – if not specified by an organizational scope. An example for such would be a alias that is used internally in one specific system.'

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: The entity identification_role describes the role of an applied_identification_assignment. In the context of alias definition this role has to be named 'alias'.

12.1.1.3 applied_organization_assignment

This entity is a subtype of organization_assignment, allowing the representation of the assignment of an organization to some product data.

Attributes

- The *assigned_organization* is the organization which is to be associated with the product data.
- The *role* attribute specifies the purpose of the association of the organization_assignment with product data. In the context of using this entity for alias identification the role is 'alias scope.
- The *items* attribute is a reference to the product data to which the organization is being assigned.

ENTITY applied_organization	Attribute Population	Remarks
assignment		
assigned_organization	type: entity = organization	
role	type: entity = organization_role	must be 'alias scope' in the given
		scope
items	type: entity (defined by organiz-	SET[1:?]
	ation_item_select)	

Preprocessor Recommendations: For defining an organizational scope of an alias assignment the applied_organization_assignment shall have a role 'alias scope'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities:

• applied_date_assignment and applied_date_time_assignment to specify the assignment of an organization together with a date.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
/st The entities in the following section describe product data and st/
/* organizational data as described in other chapters of the PDM
                                                                      * /
/* usage guide
#10 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #20, #30);
#20 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('Part', '', (#40));
#30 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('Detail', $, (#40));
#40 = PRODUCT('p1', 'part 1', '', (#60));
#50 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', '', (#40));
#60 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #70, '');
#70 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#80 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION ('version 1.2', 'pdm schema', 2000
#90 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #40);
\#100 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('v1', 'view on part 1', <math>\#90, \#110);
#110 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #70, '');
#120 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#100, $, #130);
#130 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT_ROLE('', $);
#140 = ORGANIZATION('org1', 'My organization', 'company');
#190 = ORGANIZATIONAL ADDRESS('', '', '', '', 'ducktown', '', '', '',
   , '', '', (#140), 'postal address');
#200 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#140, #210, (#40));
#210 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
/*entities \#150 to \#185 express that the id of organization \#140 */
/* is 'xyz org' inside organization #185
#150 = APPLIED IDENTIFICATION ASSIGNMENT('xyz org', #180, (#140));
#160 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#185, #170, (#150));
#170 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('alias scope');
#180 = IDENTIFICATION ROLE('alias', 'alias for org1');
#185 = ORGANIZATION('org2', 'My second organization', 'company');
/* Entities #220 to #240 define that the id 'v1' of the part view #100
*/
/* is aliased with the id 'v external 1' inside the organization #140
#220 = APPLIED IDENTIFICATION ASSIGNMENT('v external 1', #240, (#100));
#230 = APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#140, #235, (#220));
#235 = ORGANIZATION ROLE('alias scope');
#240 = IDENTIFICATION ROLE('alias', 'alias for view id');
^{\prime *} Entities #250 to ##270 define that the information related to the ^{*\prime}
/* part view #100 has the status 'approved'
#250 = APPROVAL(#270, '');
#260 = APPLIED APPROVAL ASSIGNMENT(#250, (#100));
#270 = APPROVAL STATUS('approved');
/* Entities #280, #290 define 'accepted' as an alias for the approval
/* status 'approved'
#280 = APPLIED IDENTIFICATION ASSIGNMENT('accepted', #290, (#270));
#290 = IDENTIFICATION ROLE('alias', 'alias for approval status -
approved -');
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 51: exchange file for alias identification

13 Authorization

13.1 Organization and Person

The PDM Schema represents organizations and people in organizations as they perform functions related to other product data and data relationships. A person in the PDM Schema must exist in the context of some organization. An organization or a person in an organization is then associated with the data or data relationship in some role indicating the function being performed. Both people and organizations may have addresses associated with them. The address is entirely optional; it is done through the address entity being related to the person (through personal_address) or organization (through organizational_address).

13.1.1 Organization

The PDM Schema represents groups of people (e.g., companies, countries, etc.) through the organization entity. The identification or id data is optional. However, because this information is very important in providing unique identification to the organization or company, it is recommended that this field always be populated with unique data. If appropriate, a URL-like convention for the organization identifier may be useful, e.g., prostep.de. The name attribute should contain the common nomenclature of the organization. The description attribute may contain a characterization of the type of the organization, or a textual explanation of its reason for existence.

The organization entity is related to certain constructs to identify the organizations responsible for them and how they are responsible. This relationship is defined through the applied_organization_assignment entity (which relates an organization in some role) to an entity. The role is established in the organization_role entity name attribute. The sections, which describe the use of the entity to which the organization is assigned, will identify the allowed values for the name attribute of the organization_role entity. The organization_role entity may have a description associated with it through the entity description_attribute and its attribute value attribute.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements for organization are illustrated in Diagram 53.

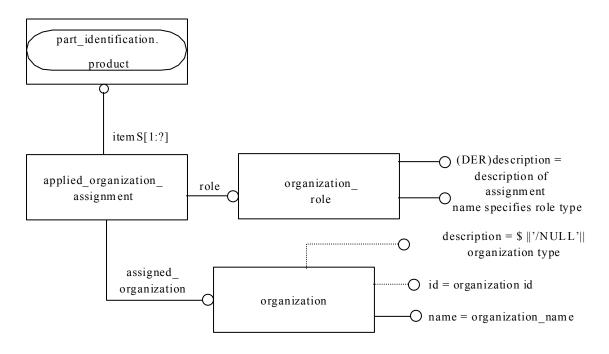


Diagram 53: Organization Instance Diagram

13.1.1.1 organization

Entity represents the identification of an identified group of people gathered and structured for a purpose.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute is the identifier that distinguishes the organization.
- The *name* attribute is the label by which the organization is known.
- The *description* attribute characterizes the type of organization, or an explanation of its reason for existence.

ENTITY organization	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	OPTIONAL
		it is recommended to instantiate
		this attribute
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
		if available the type of organiz-
		ation shall be mapped into this
		attribute

Preprocessor Recommendations: All preprocessors should provide a unique organization id to eliminate ambiguities where organizations may have the same names. If the intended domain for the data is large, the reader is referred to ISO/IEC 8824-1, which can provide some guidance on creating unique identifiers. If appropriate, a URL-like convention for the organization identifier may be used, e.g., prostep.de. A unique string obtained under ISO/IEC 8824-1 can be used as, or prefixed to, the organization identifier. For example, if the organization typically used an identifier of "93699" and the unique string were "USA", the unique value of the organization id would be "USA93699". If available and appropriate, the following values should be used to describe the organization type: 'company' to indicate a business entity; 'department' to indicate an organizational group within a company.

Postprocessor Recommendations: All postprocessors should make use of any provided information in the id attribute to eliminate ambiguities where organizations may have the same name.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.1.1.2 applied_organization_assignment

This entity is a subtype of organization_assignment, allowing the representation of the assignment of an organization to some product data.

Attributes

- The assigned organization is the organization which is to be associated with the product data.
- The *role* attribute specifies the purpose of the association of the organization_assignment with product data.
- The *items* attribute is a reference to the product data to which the organization is being assigned.

ENTITY applied_organization	Attribute Population	Remarks
assignment		
assigned_organization	type: entity = organization	
role	type: entity = organization_role	
items	type: entity (defined by organiz-	SET[1:?]
	ation_item_select)	

Preprocessor Recommendations: For applied_organization_assignments the potential organization_roles 'id owner' and 'creator' are recommended.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should support the assignment of the above roles to products, product_definition_formations and product_definitions (either related to parts or managed documents).

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.1.1.3 organization role

Entity represents the role for the assignment of a person and organization to product data.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute is the label by which the organization role is known.
- The *description* attribute characterizes the role with further descriptive text.

ENTITY organization_ role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	DERIVED

Preprocessor Recommendations: Role name should be 'creator' or 'id owner' where applicable.

Postprocessor Recommendations: Postprocessors should at least support the above role names. Postprocessors should expect that some existing implementations might export files that use other role names such as 'design supplier' or 'designer'.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#310=APPLIED_ORGANIZATION_ASSIGNMENT(#320,#330,(#270));
#320=ORGANIZATION('ord id 34','Doc Writers Com',$);
```

Example 52: exchange file segment for organization

13.1.2 Person and Organization

The PDM Schema specifies information about people through the person entity. A person is identified by an id with other data representing their name and optionally titles which may apply to them. In populating the data, the id must be unique. This is typically not a problem when the person is taken in the context of some specific group such as a company or even country. In these instances, there are typically identifying numbers assigned to people. If the data being assembled is for worldwide consumption, the id must be unique in that domain.

In the PDM Schema, a person always exists in the context of some organization. The connection of people to organizations is accomplished through the person_and_organization entity. This entity is related to certain constructs to identify the people in organizations responsible for them and how they are responsible. This is specified through the applied_person_and_organization_assignment, which relates a person and organization in some role to an entity. The role is established in the name attribute of the person_and_organization_role entity. The person_and_organization_role and person_and_organization entity may have a description associated with it through the entity description_attribute and its attribute_value attribute. The person_and_organization entity may have a name associated with it through the entity name_attribute and its attribute_value attribute. This name describes the relationship of the person to the organization.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements for person and organization are illustrated in Diagram 54.

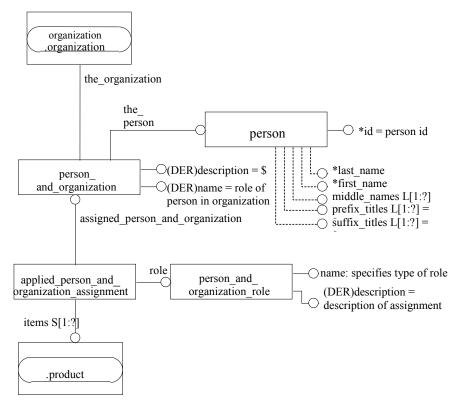


Diagram 54: Person and Organization Instance Diagram

13.1.2.1 person

Entity represents the identification of an individual. In the PDM Schema, a person always exists in the context of some organization.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute distinguishes the person.
- The *last_name* attribute has the last name of the person.
- The *first_name* attribute has the first name of the person.
- The *middle_names* attribute is a list of strings representing the middle names.
- The *prefix_titles* attribute is a list of text which specify the person's social and/or professional standing and appear before his or her names.
- The *suffix_titles* attribute is a list of text, which specifies the person's social and/or professional standing and appear after his or her names.

ENTITY person	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	must be unique in the scope of
		the associated organization(s)
last_name	type: label = string	OPTIONAL
		it is recommended to instantiate
		this attribute
first_name	type: label = string	OPTIONAL
middle_names	type: label = string	OPTIONAL SET
prefix_titles	type: label = string	OPTIONAL SET
suffix_titles	type: label = string	OPTIONAL SET

Preprocessor Recommendations: All preprocessors should provide values for at least the last_name and first_name attributes for the person entity in order to provide a sense of meaning to the id attribute. In cases where uniqueness of the id attribute may be a problem, preprocessors should prefix the id attribute with the organization id (as described in the following section) followed by a comma. For example, if the organization id value were "USA,93699" and the person id were "111111", the actual value of the person id would be "USA,93699,111111".

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.1.2.2 person_and_organization

This entity represents the identification of a person within an organization. In the PDM Schema, a person always exists in the context of some organization. The connection of people to organizations is accomplished through the person and organization entity.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute is a label, which describes the role of the person in person_and_organization, i.e., the relationship between the person and the organization.
- The *description* attribute characterizes the person_and_organization.
- The *the person* attribute is the person who is related to the organization.
- The *the organization* attribute is the organization to which the person is related.

ENTITY person_and_organization	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type label = string	DERIVE
		the name is established via the
		entity name_attribute that has a
		label for the name as first
		attribute and references the
		person_and_organization in the
		second attribute
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
the_person	type: entity = person	
the_organization	type: entity = organization	

Preprocessor Recommendations: Description (i.e., the structure for the derived attribute) shall not be instantiated.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.1.2.3 person and organization role

This entity describes the assignment role for the assignment of a person and organization to product data.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute indicates the nature of the assignment.
- The *description* attribute characterizes the person and organization role.

ENTITY	person_and_organiza-	Attribute Population	Remarks
tion_role			
name		type: label = string	
description	_	type: text = string	DERIVED

Preprocessor Recommendations: See recommendations for organization role.

Postprocessor Recommendations: See recommendations for organization role.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.1.2.4 applied_person_and_organization_assignment

This entity is a subtype of person_and_organization_assignment, and represents the assignment of a person and organization to product data.

NOTE - In the scope of this usage guide, applied_person_and_organization_assignment is used to associate information about responsibility, not to represent an electronic signature.

Attributes

- The assigned person and organization attribute references the person and organization.
- The *role* attribute describes the nature of the assignment.
- The *items* attribute is a reference to the product data having the person and organization assigned.

ENTITY applied_person_and organization_assignment	Attribute Population	Remarks
assigned_person_and_organization	type: entity = person_and organization	
role	type: entity = person_and organization_role	
items	type: entity = person_and organization_item select	SET[1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: This entity shall be used when the assignment involves an organization as well as a person related to that organization.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities:

• applied_date_assignment and applied_date_time_assignment to specify the assignment of a person and organization together with a date.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#120=APPLIED_PERSON_AND_ORGANIZATION_ASSIGNMENT(#130,#170,(#70));
#130=PERSON_AND_ORGANIZATION(#150,#140);
#140=ORGANIZATION('org_id','Miller Company',$);
#150=PERSON('p_id','Miller',$,$,$,$);
#155=NAME_ATTRIBUTE('employee',#130)
#310=APPLIED_ORGANIZATION_ASSIGNMENT(#320,#330,(#270));
#320=ORGANIZATION('ord id 34','Doc Writers Com',$);
```

Example 53: exchange file segment for person and organization

13.1.3 Address Assignment

The STEP PDM Schema provides for optional assignment of an address to both organizations and people.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements for organizational address assignment are illustrated in Diagram 55. The mechanism for personal address assignment is similar.

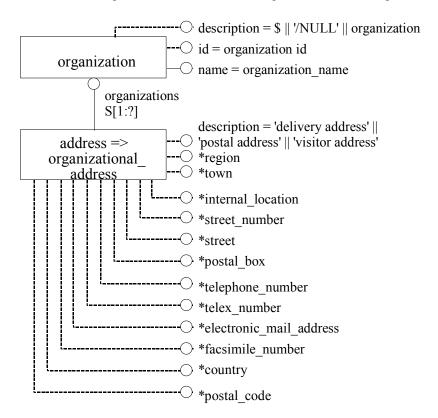


Diagram 55: Address Assignment Instance Diagram (for organization, similar for person)

13.1.3.1 organizational_address

This entity is a subtype of address, which represents the identification of address information relevant for an organization.

Attributes

- The *internal location* attribute is an organization-defined address for internal mail delivery.
- The *street_number* attribute the number of a location on a street.
- The *street* attribute is the name of the street.
- The *postal_box* attribute is the number of a postal box.
- The *town* attribute is the name of a town.
- The *region* attribute is the name of a region.
- The *postal_code* attribute is the code the is used by the country's postal service.
- The *country* attribute is the name of the country.
- The *facsimile number* attribute is the number where facsimilies may be received.
- The *electronic mail address* attribute is the address where electronic mail messages may be received.
- The *telephone number* is the number at which telephone calls may be received.
- The *telex number* attribute is the number at which telex messages may be received.
- The *description* attribute characterizes the type address to distinguish between delivery, postal and visitor address.
- The *organizations* attribute is a reference to the organization at this address.

ENTITY organizational_address	Attribute Population	Remarks
internal_location		OPTIONAL
street_number		OPTIONAL
street		OPTIONAL
postal_box		OPTIONAL
town		OPTIONAL
region		OPTIONAL
postal_code		OPTIONAL
country		OPTIONAL
facsimile_number		OPTIONAL
telephone_number		OPTIONAL
electronic_mail_address		OPTIONAL
telex_number		OPTIONAL
description		OPTIONAL
organizations		SET[1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: The description attribute shall be instantiated with either 'delivery address', 'postal address' or 'visitor address'. For each of these categories, at most one address should be instantiated related to organization. The delivery_address specifies the address where goods are delivered. The postal address specifies the address where letter mail is delivered. A visitor address specifies the address where the organization receives visitors.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.1.3.2 personal address

Entity a subtype of address, represents the identification of address information to be applied to a person.

Attributes

- The *internal location* attribute is an organization-defined address for internal mail delivery.
- The *street number* attribute the number of a location on a street.
- The *street* attribute is the name of the street.
- The *postal box* attribute is the number of a postal box.
- The *town* attribute is the name of a town.
- The *region* attribute is the name of a region.
- The *postal code* attribute is the code the is used by the country's postal service.
- The *country* attribute is the name of the country.
- The *facsimile number* attribute is the number where facsimilies may be received.
- The *electronic mail address* attribute is the address where electronic mail messages may be received.
- The *telephone number* is the number at which telephone calls may be received.
- The *telex number* attribute is the number at which telex messages may be received.
- The *description* attribute characterises the type of address.
- The *people* attribute lists the people at this location.

ENTITY personal_address	Attribute Population	Remarks
internal_location		OPTIONAL
street_number		OPTIONAL
street		OPTIONAL
postal_box		OPTIONAL
town		OPTIONAL

ENTITY personal_address	Attribute Population	Remarks
region		OPTIONAL
postal_code		OPTIONAL
country		OPTIONAL
facsimile_number		OPTIONAL
telephone_number		OPTIONAL
electronic_mail_address		OPTIONAL
telex_number		OPTIONAL
description		OPTIONAL
people		SET[1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: At least one of the optional attributes shall be instantiated.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#150=PERSON('p_id','Miller',$,$,$,$);
#155=NAME_ATTRIBUTE('employee',#130)
#160=PERSONAL_ADDRESS('office 321',$,$,$,$,$,$,$,'423 -21','423-33','miller@my-com.com',$,$,'coordinates of Mr Miller');
#320=ORGANIZATION('ord_id_34','Doc Writers Com',$);
#340=ORGANIZATIONAL_ADDRESS($,'14a','E street','P.O 321','My Town','Nice Region','postal code','My Country','345 - 21','345 - 31','info@company',$,$,$);
```

Example 54: exchange file segment for address assignment

13.1.4 Recommendations for the assignment of person and organization

Person and organization data considered in this section is information about the responsibilities of persons and organizations in respect to product data. The entities for the assignments are person_and_organization_assignment and organization_assignment. The assignment entity has a role attribute that contains information about the meaning of the assignment. Of the variety of possible items to which the assignments of person and organizational data can be made, Table 2 gives the recommendations for scenarios and roles that should be supported.

person organization assignment	product (as part)	product definition formation (as part version)	product definition (as view on part version)	product (as document)	product definition formation (as document version)
creator		X	X		X
id owner	X			X	

Table 2: Recommended Assignment of Person/Organization to Product Data

The interpretations of the roles are:

- the role 'creator' indicates that the referenced object has been created (i.e., originally defined) by the organization (or person and organization),
- the role 'id owner' describes the person or organization in which the id of the referenced object is valid.

In a given application scenario additional roles might be negotiated. Where applicable the following values may be used:

- 'custodian': The assigned Person or Organization is responsible for the continued existence and integrity of the referenced object;
- 'customer': The assigned Person or Organization acts as a purchaser or consumer of the referenced object;
- 'design supplier': The assigned Person or Organization is the one who is responsible for delivery or the data describing the referenced object;
- 'editor': The assigned Person or Organization is responsible for making any changes to any attribute of the referenced object;
- 'location': The assigned Organization is the place where the referenced object can be found or where it takes place;
- 'manufacturer': The assigned Person or Organization is the one who produces the actual (physical) object:
- 'owner': The assigned Person or Organization owns the referenced object, and has final say over its disposition and any changes to it;
- 'supplier': The assigned Person or Organization is the one who delivers the actual (physical) object (e.g., a dealer);
- 'wholesaler': The assigned Person or Organization is the one who is in the sales chain between the manufacturer and the supplier.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

A complete instantiation example for person and organization assignments is given in Example 55.

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE DESCRIPTION(('pdm schema data', 'pdm schema'), '2;1');
FILE NAME ('C:\document xample.stp', '1999-5-20 T12:39:1', (''), (), '',
   '', '');
FILE SCHEMA(('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC;
DATA;
/* Entities #10 - #20 define part master data
/* To the product definition #90 is a life cycle specific view on */
/* that part to which organization and person are assigned in the */
                                                                      */
/* role of the id owner
#10=APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#20=APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION ('version
1.2', 'pdm_schema', 20002000, #10);
#30=PRODUCT_DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('',$);
#40=APPLICATION CONTEXT ('mechanical design');
#50=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #40, 'design');
#60=PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #10, '');
#70=PRODUCT('MP-03-2','my part',$,(#60));
#80=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('03','3rd modification', #70);
#90=PRODUCT DEFINITION('/NULL',$,#80,#50);
#100=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION (#90, #50, #30);
#110=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('part', $, (#70));
/* Entities #120 to #170 model the assignment of a person within an */
/* organization to the part. The role of this person/organization */
/* is that of 'id owner'
#120=APPLIED PERSON AND ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#130,#170,(#70));
#130=PERSON AND ORGANIZATION(#150, #140);
#140=ORGANIZATION('org id', 'Miller Company', $);
```

```
#150=PERSON('p id','Miller',$,$,$,$);
#155=NAME ATTRIBUTE ('employee', #130)
#160=PERSONAL ADDRESS('office 321',$,$,$,$,$,$,$,423 -21','423-
33', 'miller@my-com.com', $, $, 'coordinates of Mr Miller');
#170=PERSON AND ORGANIZATION ROLE('id owner');
     Entities #240 to #300 model a managed document (document as
product) */
/* The document gets an assigned organization in the role of
'creation' */
#240=APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#250=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('digital document definition', #240,'');
#260=PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #240,'');
#270=PRODUCT('doc 4711', 'packaging guide', 'packaging guideline for
part', (#260));
#280=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('ver3.1','version 3.1',#270);
#290=PRODUCT DEFINITION('id of digital document','digital document for
representing guideline ver3.1', #280, #250);
#300=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('document', $, (#270));
/* Entities #310 to #340 model the assignment of an organization
/* to the document defined via #270. The info transferred with the */
/* assignment is that the organization has created the document
#310=APPLIED ORGANIZATION ASSIGNMENT(#320,#330,(#270));
#320=ORGANIZATION('ord id 34','Doc Writers Com',$);
#330=ORGANIZATION ROLE('creation');
#340=ORGANIZATIONAL ADDRESS($,'14a','E street','P.O 321','My
Town','Nice Region','postal code','My Country','345 - 21','345 -
31', 'info@company', $, $, $);
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 55: exchange file for complete person and organization .

13.2 Approval

Approving in the PDM Schema is accomplished by establishing an approval entity and relating it to some construct through an applied_approval_assignment. The applied_approval_assignment entity may have a role associated with it through the entity role_association and its related object_role entity to indicate the reason/role of this approval related to the particular element of product data.

Approval may be represented as a simple basic approval (see 13.2.1), or it may represent a more complex approval cycle involving multiple approvers, on different dates/times, and possibly with different status values (see 13.2.2).

In the case of a single approval instance with multiple people signing off on the approval, approval_person_organization can be applied to the date_and_time_item select type.

In the case where an approval is made up of multiple approval instances, and these approvals involve hierarchical relationships, applying date to an approval_person_organization should not be used, because in Multiple approvals with Hierarchical relationships an applied_data_and_time applied to approval_person_organization is not needed. In these kinds of approvals, there should be an approval_person_organization and approval_date_time for each approval instance. Date and time are already available by instantiating an approval_date_time construct for each approval in a multiple approval hierarchical relationship structure.

Approval is part of the select type organization_item, and it provides the capability to assign an organization to an approval in the role of "scope" of the approval.

In a number of STEP APs, constructs that require an approval are allowed only one approval assignment. This might lead to the misconception that only one person at one date/time can approve something. This is not the case. The approval constructs actually support an approval cycle (see Section 13.2.2). However, an approval may only need one signature corresponding to the simple basic approval scenario.

The level of an approval is understood to represent the aspect for which the approved object is endorsed. This level represents a "state" for which the approved object requires approval. The approval status indicates the level of acceptance given the object for the specified state.

NOTE - The entity product_definition exists to represent different views on a part version. Each view is characterized by a type and a life-cycle stage. Various part view "types" correspond to different states that a part assumes throughout its life cycle. The decision to represent the "state" of a part as a level of approval on a view definition or an entirely different view definition is dependent upon individual business processes. In the STEP PDM schema, different view definitions are typically characterized by different life-cycle stages such as 'design' and 'manufacturing'. Approval levels are various "states" defined within a given life-cycle stage view, and are typically dependent upon the approval cycles within an individual business process. The "gates" associated with each defined "state" are described by the approval status values leading towards the status 'approved' indicating achievement of the particular level, or "state".

13.2.1 Basic Approval

For basic approval, an approval needs only one signature and does not represent an approval cycle. There is only one approval person organization, one approval status, and one approval date time.

It is recommended that the approval entity have associated approval_person_organization to specify the approver of the approval. The approval_person_organization entity has a role associated with it by the entity approval_role. If no more specific information is available, the role 'approver' is recommended.

It is recommended that the approval entity have associated an approval_date_time construct to specify the date when the current approval status was assigned. The approval_date_time may reference either a date or a date_and_time to indicate that the referenced element of product data was approved on the specified date/time.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements for basic approval are illustrated in Diagram 56.

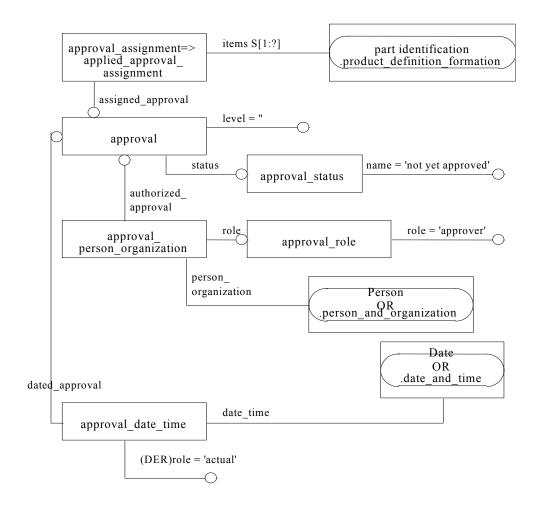


Diagram 56: Basic Approval Instance Diagram

13.2.1.1 approval

This entity describes the state of acceptance of some product data.

- The *status* attribute specifies the judgement made about the product data that is the subject of the approval.
- The *level* attribute describes the type or the level of approval in terms of its usage.

ENTITY approval	Attribute Population	Remarks
status	type: entity = approval_status	
level	type: label	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The approval level attribute is generally agreed to represent the type of approval in terms of its usage. The approved object is understood to be approved for the given purpose described by the value of the attribute level.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.2.1.2 approval status

This entity represents a statement made by technical personnel or management personnel whether certain requirements are met.

Attributes

• The *name* attribute describes the terms characterizing the approval status.

ENTITY approval_status	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The approval_status name attribute is recommended to only be "approved", "not yet approved", "disapproved" or "withdrawn".

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.2.1.3 applied approval assignment

This entity is a subtype of approval_assignment, allowing the representation of the assignment of an approval to some product data.

Attributes

- The *assigned approval* attribute references the approval that is being assigned.
- The *role* attribute describes the nature of the assignment.
- The *items* attribute is a reference to the product data to which the approval is being assigned.

ENTITY a	pplied_approval	Attribute Population	Remarks
assignment			
assigned_approv	val	type: entity = approval	
role		type: entity = object_role	DERIVE
items			SET[1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: All preprocessors should use non-defaulted data or user-input data for the values assigned for the approvers and approval date for product_definition_formation entities. The approvers and approval dates can be extrapolated from the version creator and approval data if other appropriate data is unavailable.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.2.1.4 approval person organization

This entity specifies who is responsible for the approval.

Attributes

- The *person_organization* attribute is a reference to the person or person_and_organization who made the approval.
- The *authorized_approval* attribute is a reference to the approval effected by the person and/or organization.
- The *role* attribute describes the nature of the association.

ENTITY approval_person_organization	Attribute Population	Remarks
person_organization	type: SELECT	
authorized_approval	type: entity = approval	
role	type: entity = approval role	

Preprocessor Recommendations: For AP214 compatibility, preprocessors may generate an applied_date_and_time_assignment entity associated to approval_person_organization.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.2.1.5 approval_role

This entity represents the identification of the assignment role for an approval person organization.

Attributes

- The *role* attribute describes the terms characterizing the approval_role.
- The *description* attribute specifies the word or group of words used to refer to the approval_role.

ENTITY approval_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
role	type: label	
description	type: text	DERIVE

The approval_role entity may have a description associated with it through the entity description_attribute and its attribute value attribute.

Preprocessor Recommendations: If no appropriate data for the approval_role role attribute (why this person and organization is approving) is available it is recommended that this attribute contain the value "approver".

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.2.1.6 approval_date_time

This entity specifies when the approval was given. Year values for dates should always be expressed with four digits, e.g., 1999.

- The *date_time* attribute is a reference to the date and/or time when the approval was made.
- The *dated approval* attribute is a reference to the approval effected by the date and/or time.
- The *role* attribute describes the nature of the association.

ENTITY approval_date_time	Attribute Population	Remarks
date_time	type: SELECT	
dated_approval	type: entity = approval	
role	type: entity = object_role	DERIVE

Preprocessor Recommendations: The approval_date_time.role attribute may contain the value 'actual' to indicate this date/time is the actual (not planned) date that the approval_status related to the dated_approval was assigned.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE_DESCRIPTION(('pdm_schema data', 'pdm_schema'), '2;1');
FILE_NAME('C:\approval_example.stp', '1999-5-20 T12:39:1', (''), (),
  '', '');
FILE SCHEMA(('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC;
DATA;
/* part version to which an approval is applied */
#10 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('02', 'lever modified', #20);
#20 = PRODUCT('K01-42051', 'Bicycle Bell RX25B', '', (#30));
#30 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #40, '');
#40 = APPLICATION CONTEXT ('mechanical design');
#50 = PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', '', (#20));
#60=APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION('version1.1','pdm schema',20002000,
#40;
/* approval definition / association to product definition formation */
#880 = APPROVAL(#870, 'preliminary design');
#870 = APPROVAL STATUS('not yet approved');
\#890 = APPLIED \ \overline{APPROVAL} \ ASSIGNMENT(\#880, (\#10));
/* identification of approver */
#900 = APPROVAL PERSON ORGANIZATION(#330, #880, #910);
#910 = APPROVAL ROLE('approver');
#280 = ORGANIZATION('O-0709', 'Logus GmbH', 'company');
#330 = PERSON AND ORGANIZATION(#340, #280);
#340 = PERSON('P-0661', 'Rose', 'Peter', $, $, $);
#350 = NAME ATTRIBUTE('employee', #330);
/* definition of actual approval date (when status was set) */
#940 = APPROVAL DATE TIME(#970, #880);
#950 = ROLE ASSOCIATION(#960, #940);
#960 = OBJECT ROLE('actual', $);
#970 = DATE AND TIME(#980, #990);
#980 = CALENDAR DATE(1999, 14, 5);
#990 = LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0.0E+000, #1000);
#1000 = COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(0, $, .EXACT.);
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 56: exchange file segment for basic approval

13.2.2 Approval Cycles and Multiple Sign-off Scenarios

A number of STEP APs have constructs that require an approval, but are allowed only one approval assignment. This might lead to the misconception that only one person at one date/time can approve something. This is not the case. The approval constructs actually support an approval cycle. An approval cycle typically requires multiple signatures to achieve a given status for the overall approval.

Representation of an approval cycle may be done in one of two ways in the PDM Schema, depending upon the specific requirements of the use scenario:

- Single approval with multiple person/organizations,
- Multiple approvals with hierarchical relationships.

If multiple people/organizations are required to sign off in an approval cycle, but only a single status value is maintained for the overall approval, then the single approval with multiple person organization approach is recommended. If individual, possibly different, status values are necessary for each of the multiple sign-offs required in an approval cycle, then the multiple approval with hierarchical relationship structure is recommended.

In all scenarios the approval_date_time records the date/time that the status of an approval was last changed. Year values for dates should always be expressed with four digits, e.g., 1999. The approval_date_time entity may have a role associated it through the entity role_association and its related object_role entity.

The single approval with multiple person/organization type of approval cycle requires multiple signatures but maintains a single approval status. This explains the need for the approval_status of 'not yet approved' until all signatures are available to switch this status to 'approved'. Each individual sign off should have an associated date/time, through the use of a date_assignment (or date_and_time_assignment) applied directly to the approval_person_organization, to represent the sign off date with the date_time_role of 'sign off'. As always, the approval date time indicates when the status of the overall approval was last changed.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements for a cycle involving a single approval with multiple sign-offs are illustrated in Diagram 57. Although a date_time_assignment is used in this example to illustrate a date_and_time, a date_assignment can also be used if only a date without a time specification is required.

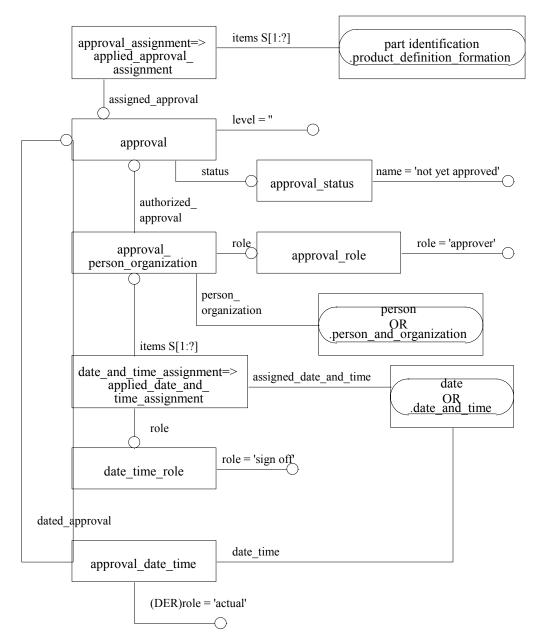


Diagram 57: Single Approval Cycle Instance Diagram

```
#10 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('02', 'lever modified', #20);
#20 = PRODUCT('K01-42051', 'Bicycle Bell RX25B', '', (#30));
#30 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #40, '');
#40 = APPLICATION CONTEXT ('mechanical design');
#50 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('part', '', (#20));
#60=APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION('version
1.2', 'pdm schema', 20002000, #40;
/* approval definition / association to product definition formation */
#880 = APPROVAL(#870, '');
#870 = APPROVAL STATUS('not yet approved');
#890 = APPLIED \overline{APPROVAL} ASSIGNMENT(#880, (#10));
/* definition of overall approval date (when status was set) */
#940 = APPROVAL DATE TIME(#970, #880);
#950 = ROLE ASSOCIATION(#960, #940);
#960 = OBJECT ROLE('actual', $);
#970 = DATE \ AND \ TIME(#980, #990);
#980 = CALENDAR DATE(1999, 14, 5);
#990 = LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0.0E+000, #1000);
#1000 = COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(0, $, .EXACT.);
/* identification of an approver (one of possibly many) */
#900 = APPROVAL PERSON ORGANIZATION(#330, #880, #910);
#910 = APPROVAL ROLE('approver');
#330 = PERSON AND ORGANIZATION(#340, #280);
#280 = ORGANIZATION('O-0709', 'Logus GmbH', 'company');
#340 = PERSON('P-0661', 'Rose', 'Peter', $, $, $);
#350 = NAME ATTRIBUTE('employee', #330);
/* individual approver sign-off date */
#920 = APPLIED DATE AND TIME ASSIGNMENT(#1070, #930, (#900));
#930 = DATE TIME ROLE('sign off');
#1070 = DATE AND TIME(#1080, #1090);
#1080 = CALENDAR DATE(1999, 12, 5);
#1090 = LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0.0E+000, #1000);
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 57: exchange file segment for single approval cycle

The multiple approval with hierarchical relationship type of approval cycle requires multiple signatures, each with individual status values, to achieve a given status value of the overall approval. In this case, each sign-off is itself an approval – a sub-approval of the overall approval. Thus the overall approval is hierarchically broken down into component sub-approvals, each with an individual status, date/time, and person/organization.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements for a cycle involving a multiple approvals with hierarchical approval relationships are illustrated in Diagram 58.

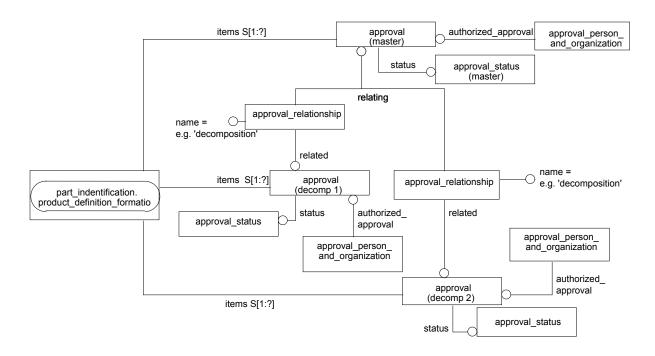


Diagram 58: Multiple Approval Cycle Instance Diagram

13.2.2.1 approval_relationship

An approval_relationship is a relationship between two approvals, i.e., approval objects. The meaning of the approval relationship is given by its *name* attribute. An approval_relationship may be used to define an approval as part of some higher level approval, or to express some dependency such as sequential relationship in time, between two approval objects.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute specifies the meaning of the relationship.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information text that characterizes the approval_relationship.
- The *relating_approval* specifies the first approval, which is related by the approval_relationship. The relating_approval usually identifies the approval on which the definition of the related_approval is based, e.g., from which it is derived or on which it is dependent. The semantics of this attribute should be defined by the name attribute.
- The *related_approval* specifies the second approval related by the approval_relationship. The related_approval usually identifies the approval which is based on the definition of the relating_approval. The semantics of this attribute should be defined by the name attribute.

ENTITY approval_relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
relating_approval	type: entity = approval	
related_approval	type: entity = approval	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute is used to specify the type of the approval_relationship and therefore should be populated with predefined values that both sides of the exchange have a common understanding of. The value 'decomposition' for the name attribute should be used to indicate that the related_approval is one of potentially more components into which the relating_approval is broken down. The value 'precedence' for the name attribute should be used to indicate that the related_approval has higher priority than the relating approval. The value 'sequence' for the name attribute should be used

to indicate that the relating_approval shall be completed before the related_approval is given. There are no further standard mappings specified for the name attribute. Additional values must be mutually agreed upon.

There is no standard mapping for the description attribute. The description attribute is optional, but may contain any appropriate/mutually-agreed-upon string.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE DESCRIPTION((''), '2;1');
FILE NAME('', '14.10.1999, 11:35:31', ('N.N.'), (''), '', '', '');
FILE SCHEMA(('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC;
DATA;
/* part master data for product g1 (#4
                                                           * /
#10 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #20, #30);
#20 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('Part', '', (#40));
#30 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('Detail', $, (#40));
#40 = PRODUCT('g1', 'gear box v1', '', (#60));
#50 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', '', (#40));
#60 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #70, '');
#70 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#80 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION('version 1.2', 'pdm schema',
20002000
   , #70);
#90 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #40);
/* #100 is the top-level approval in the c
/* It is via the relationships #235 and #375 decomposed in two */
/* approval parts. The status in #120 reflects the overall status */
#100 = APPROVAL(#120, '');
#110 = APPLIED APPROVAL ASSIGNMENT(#100, (#90));
#120 = APPROVAL STATUS('not yet approved');
#130 = ORGANIZATION('dep1', 'department 1', '');
#160 = APPROVAL PERSON ORGANIZATION(#130, #100, #170);
#170 = APPROVAL ROLE('approver');
\#180 = APPLIED DATE AND TIME ASSIGNMENT(\#200, \#190, (\#160));
#190 = DATE TIME ROLE('sign off');
#200 = DATE AND TIME(#210, #220);
#210 = CALENDAR DATE(2000, 1, 1);
#220 = LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0.0000E+000, #230);
#230 = COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
/* #240 is a decomposed part of the top-level approval #10 */
/* This approval has two signing organizations (#270, #32 */
/*attached to it
/* The status is reflected in #240
#235 = APPROVAL RELATIONSHIP ('decomposition', $, #100, #250);
#240 = APPROVAL STATUS('approved');
```

```
#250 = APPROVAL(#240, '');
#260 = APPLIED APPROVAL ASSIGNMENT(#250, (#90));
/* #270 is the 1st organization given the approval #240
#270 = ORGANIZATION('g1', 'group 1', '');
#280 = APPROVAL PERSON ORGANIZATION(#270, #250, #285);
#285 = APPROVAL ROLE('approver');
\#290 = APPLIED DATE AND TIME ASSIGNMENT(\#300, \#295, (\#280));
#295 = DATE TIME ROLE('sign off');
#300 = DATE AND TIME(#310, #320);
#310 = CALENDAR DATE(2000, 1, 1);
#320 = LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0.0000E+000, #230);
/* #325 is the 2nd organization given the approval #240
                                                              * /
#325 = ORGANIZATION('g3', 'group 3', '');
#330 = APPROVAL PERSON ORGANIZATION(#325, #250, #335);
#335 = APPROVAL ROLE('approver');
\#340 = \text{APPLIED DATE AND TIME ASSIGNMENT(}\#350, \#345, (\#330));
#345 = DATE TIME ROLE('sign off');
#350 = DATE AND TIME(#360, #370);
#360 = CALENDAR DATE(2000, 1, 2);
#370 = LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0.0000E+000, #230);
/* #380 is a decomposed approval part of the top-level approval #100*/
/* The status is reflected in #400
#375 = APPROVAL RELATIONSHIP ('decomposition', $, #100, #380);
#380 = APPROVAL(#400, '');
#390 = APPLIED APPROVAL ASSIGNMENT (#380, (#90));
#400 = APPROVAL STATUS('withdrawn');
#405 = ORGANIZATION('g2', 'group 2', '');
#410 = APPROVAL PERSON ORGANIZATION(#405, #380, #415);
#415 = APPROVAL ROLE('approver');
\#420 = APPLIED DATE AND TIME ASSIGNMENT(\#430, \#425, (\#410));
#425 = DATE TIME ROLE('sign off');
#430 = DATE AND TIME(#440, #450);
#440 = CALENDAR DATE(2000, 1, 2);
#450 = LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0.0000E+000, #230);
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

Example 58: exchange file segment for multiple approval cycle

13.3 Dates, Times, and Event References

13.3.1 Date and Time

The PDM Schema provides mechanisms for assignment of date and time to product data aiming at characterizing when some event or fact occurred. The specification of time is optional, i.e., in many cases only date is required. The applied_date_assignment entity allows for association of date with product data. The purpose of this association is specified by an instance of the entity date_role. As described later in this section, the PDM Schema supports a similar structure for concurrent assignment of date and time.

Dates are represented using the calendar_date entity, i.e., by specifying year, month and day. Time is unambiguously represented using the local_time entity, as it enforces the specification of the time zone, i.e., the offset to the coordinated universal time.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements for date and time are illustrated in Diagram 59.

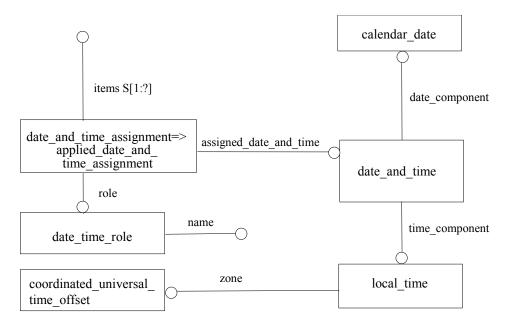


Diagram 59: Assignment of date and time to product data

13.3.1.1 calendar_date

This entity is a subtype of date, which defines it as a day in a month of a year.

Attributes

- The *year_component* attribute specifies the year in which the calendar_date occurs.
- The *day component* attribute specifies the day element of the calendar date.
- The *month component* attribute specifies the month element of the calendar date.

ENTITY calendar_date	Attribute Population	Remarks
year_component	type: year_number	Year is expressed as a four digits
		integer
day_component	type: day in month number	Integer between 1 and 31, inclusive
month_component	type: month_in_year_number	Integer between 1 and 12, inclusive

Preprocessor Recommendations: The instance shall define a valid calendar date, i.e., it must take into account constraints related to the number of days in a month (e.g., in June the day_component must be an integer between 1 and 30, inclusive.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.3.1.2 local time

This entity represents an instance of time by expressing hour, minute and second in the local time zone and also specifying the offset to the coordinated universal time.

Attributes

- The *hour component* attribute specifies the number of hours.
- The *minute component* attribute specifies the number of minutes.
- The *second component* attribute specifies the number of seconds.
- The *zone* attributes specifies the offset of the local time zone to the coordinated universal time.

ENTITY local_time	Attribute Population	Remarks
hour_component	type: hour_in_day	Integer between 0 and 23, inclusive, where midnight shall be represented by the value 0.
minute_component	type: minute_in_hour	Integer between 0 and 59, inclusive. This attribute is optional.
second_component	type: second_in_minute	Real between 0 and 59, inclusive. This attribute is optional.
zone	type: entity= coordinated universal time offset	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.3.1.3 coordinated_universal time offset

This entity specifies allows for relating a time to coordinated universal time by an offset. Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) is the international time standard, which was previously known as Greenwich Meridian Time (GMT).

Attributes

- The *hour_offset* attribute specifies the number of hours by which a time is offset from coordinated universal time.
- The *minute_offset* attribute specifies the number of minutes by which a time is offset from coordinated universal time.
- The *sense* attribute specifies the direction of the offset.

ENTITY coordinated_univer-	Attribute Population	Remarks
sal_time_offset		
hour_offset	type: Integer	Value must be between 0 and 12
minute_offset	type: Integer	Value must be between 0 and 59.
		This attribute is optional
sense	type:ahead_or_behind=	May assume values ahead, behind
	ENUMERATION	or exact

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.3.1.4 date and time

This entity specifies time on a particular day.

Attributes

- The *date component* attribute specifies the date element.
- The *time component* attribute specifies the time element.

ENTITY date_and_time	Attribute Population	Remarks
date_component	type: entity = date	In the PDM Schema, it points to an
		instance of calendar_date.
time_component	type: entity = local_time	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.3.1.5 applied date assignment

This entity allows for association of date with product data.

Attributes

- The *assigned date* attribute specifies the date to be assigned to product data.
- The *role* attribute specifies the purpose of the assignment of the date to product data.
- The *items* attribute is a reference to the product data to which the date is being assigned.

ENTITY applied_date_assignment	Attribute Population	Remarks
assigned_date	type: entity = date	In the PDM Schema, it points to an instance of calendar_date.
role	type: entity = date_role	
items	type: date item = SELECT	SET [1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.3.1.6 date role

This entity specifies a role for an applied_date_assignment.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute defines a label by which the date role is known.
- The *description* attribute specifies text that characterizes the date_role.

ENTITY date_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label	a string value
description	type: text	DERIVED

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.3.1.7 applied_date_and_time_assignment

This entity allows for association of date and time with product data.

Attributes

- The *assigned_date_and_time* attribute specifies the date_and_time to be assigned to product data.
- The *role* attribute specifies the purpose of the assignment of the date and time to product data.
- The *items* attribute is a reference to the product data to which the date_and_time is being assigned.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
applied_date_assignment		
assigned_date_and_time	type: entity = date_and_time	In the PDM Schema, the
		date_component attribute points to
		an instance of calendar_date.
role	type: entity = date_time_role	
items	type: date_item = SELECT	SET [1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.3.1.8 date time role

This entity specifies a role for an applied date and time assignment.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute defines a label by which the date role is known.
- The *description* attribute specifies text that characterizes the date role.

ENTITY date_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label	a string value
description	type: text	DERIVED

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

```
#10 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('02', 'lever modified', #20);
#20 = PRODUCT('K01-42051', 'Bicycle Bell RX25B', '', (#30));
#30 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #40, '');
#40 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#50 = PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('part', '', (#20));
...
...
```

```
#920 = APPLIED_DATE_AND_TIME_ASSIGNMENT(#970, #930, (#10));
#930 = DATE_TIME_ROLE('creation date');

/* definition of date and time */
#970 = DATE_AND_TIME(#980, #990);
#980 = CALENDAR_DATE(1999, 14, 5);
#990 = LOCAL_TIME(0, 0, 0.0E+000, #1000);
#1000 = COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
```

Example 59: exchange file segment for date and time assignment

13.3.2 Event Reference

In the PDM Schema, events are characterized by instances of the event_occurrence entity or its subtype relative_event_occurrence.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes required to support the requirements for event occurrence assignment are illustrated in Diagram 60. A Part 21 file segment using event reference is shown in Example 60.

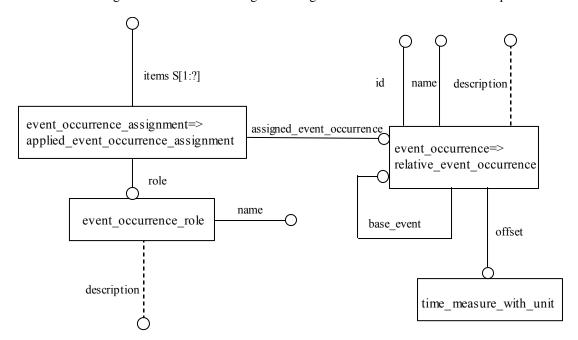


Diagram 60: Event Occurrence Instance Diagram

13.3.2.1 event occurrence

This entity describes aspects relevant to characterizing a state transition.

- The *id* attribute identifies the event occurrence.
- The *name* attribute provides the word or group of words by which the event occurrence is referred.
- The *description* attribute provides additional descriptive information about the event occurrence.

ENTITY event_occurrence	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier	

ENTITY event_occurrence	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label	
description	type: text	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: Event occurrence may be used to specify the limits in dated effectivity (see 14.2.1.4).

13.3.2.2 relative event occurrence

This entity is a subtype of event_occurrence that is characterized by an offset to another event_occurrence.

Attributes

- The *base_event* attribute identifies the event_occurrence providing the basis for definition of the relative event occurrence.
- The *offset* attribute specifies the amount of time between the base_event and the relative_event occurrence.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
relative_event_occurrence		
base_event	type: entity = event_occurrence	
offset	type: entity = time_measure with_unit	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.3.2.3 applied_event_occurrence_assignment

This entity allows for association of events with product data.

- The *assigned_event_occurrence* attribute specifies the event_occurrence to be assigned to product data.
- The *role* attribute specifies the purpose of the assignment of the event_occurrence to product data.
- The items attribute is a reference to the product data to which the event_occurrence is being assigned.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
applied_event_occurrence_		
assignment		
assigned_event_occurrence	type: entity = event_occurrence	
role	type: entity = event	
	occurrence_role	
items	type: date_item = SELECT	SET [1:?] – In the PDM Schema
		the select type is constrained to the
		entity organizational_project.

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

13.3.2.4 event occurrence role

This entity specifies a role for an event_occurrence_assignment.

Attributes

- The name attribute specifies the word or group of words by which the event_occurrence_role is referred.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional descriptive information about the event_occurrence_role.

ENTITY event_occurrence_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label	
description	type: text	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

```
#1=APPLICATION CONTEXT ('mechanical design');
#220=PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #1, '');
#230=PRODUCT_DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #1, 'design');
#100=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#2));
#2=PRODUCT('11000', 'solid cube', 'description for part 11000',
(#220));
#3=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', 'version A for solid cube', #2);
#4=PRODUCT DEFINITION('D1', 'detailed drawing as planned for STEP
conformance testing', #3, #230);
/* start and end events for effectivity */
#910=EVENT OCCURRENCE('ev1', 'start production', 'lot for customer A');
#910=EVENT OCCURRENCE('ev2', 'end production', 'lot for customer A');
/* effectivity definition and assignment */
#1040=DATED EFFECTIVITY('', #910, #970);
#1042=APPLIED EFFECTIVITY ASSIGNMENT(#1040, (#3));
#1044=OBJECT ROLE('actual', $);
#1045=ROLE ASSOCIATION(#1044, #1042);
```

Example 60: exchange file segment for event reference

13.4 Security classification

A security classification is the level of confidentiality that is required in order to protect product data against unauthorized usage.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

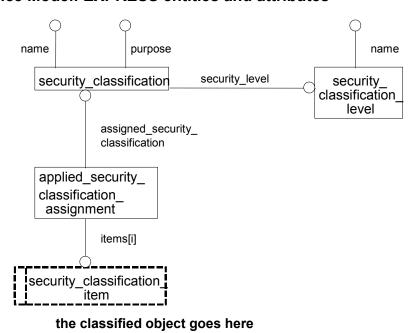


Diagram 61: Part Master with Context Information Instance Diagram

13.4.1.1 security_classification

This entity defines the level of confidentiality that is required for the purpose of product data protection.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute is the label by which the security classification is known.
- The *purpose* gives an informal description of the intent of the security classification.
- The *security_level* defines the security_classification_level that specifies the required degree of security.

ENTITY security_classification	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type : label = string	
purpose	type : text = string	
security_level	type : entity = security	
	classification_level	

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: Date/time and person/organization can be associated with a security_classification by using the entities applied_date_assignment, applied_date_and_time_assignment, applied_organization_assignment and applied_person_and_organization_assignment.

13.4.1.2 security_classification_level

This entity defines a category of security required for product data protection.

Attributes

• The *name* is the label by which the security classification level is known.

ENTITY level	security_classification	Attribute Population	Remarks
name		type: label = string	

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities:.

13.4.1.3 applied security classification assignment

This entity is a type of security_classification_assignment that assigns a security_classification to a security classification_item.

Attributes

- The *assigned_security_classification* gives the security_classification which is to be associated with product data.
- *Items* is the set of items to which the security_classification is assigned. A security classification can be assigned to multiple items with one instance of assigned security classification.

ENTITY applied_security_classi-	Attribute Population	Remarks
fication_assignment		
assigned_security_classification	type : entity = security_classi- fication	
items	type : entity = security_classi- fication_item	SET [1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: an assigned_security_classification relates a security_classification to a set to be classified items. The PDM Schema supports the assignment of security classifications to instances of assembly_component_usage, document_file, product_definition and product_definition_formation.

The table below shows the entity types that can be used in the set of items of security classification assignment and the associated semantics.

entity type	semantics of using applied_security_classification
	with instances of this entity.
assembly_component_usage	classifies the component inclusion in an assembly.
document_file	classifies a document file
product_definition	classifies the information related to a product
	definition, where a product_definition can either model
	a document representation or a part view.
product_definition_formation	classifies the information related to a product
	definition_formation, where a product_definition
	formation can either model a document version or a
	part version.

Table 3: security classification assignment

```
ISO-10303-21;
HEADER;
FILE DESCRIPTION((''),'2;1');
FILE NAME('', '20.08.1999, 13:19:42', (''), (''),
   '<sup>-</sup>, '', '');
FILE SCHEMA(('PDM SCHEMA {1.2}'));
ENDSEC:
DATA;
#10 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #20, #30);
#20 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('Part', '', (#40));
#30 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('Assembly', $, (#40));
#40 = PRODUCT('as', 'assembly', '', (#60));
#50 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', '', (#40, #170));
#60 = PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #70, '');
#70 = APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#80 = APPLICATION PROTOCOL DEFINITION('version 1.2', 'pdm schema', 2000
  , #70);
#90 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #40);
#100 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('vas', 'design view assembly', #90, #110);
#110 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #70, 'design');
#140 = PRODUCT CATEGORY RELATIONSHIP('', $, #150, #160);
#150 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('Part', '', (#170));
#160 = PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('Detail', $, (#170));
#170 = PRODUCT('p', 'part', '', (#60));
#180 = PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('1', '', #170);
#190 = PRODUCT DEFINITION('vp', 'design view part', #180, #110);
#210 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT_ASSOCIATION(#100, #230, #220);
#220 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#230 = PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('assembly definition', #70, '');
#240 = NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('p_usage_1',
   'single instance usage', '', #100, #190, $);
#250 = SECURITY CLASSIFICATION('confidentiality',
       'classify as confidental', #260);
#260 = SECURITY CLASSIFICATION LEVEL('confidential');
APPLIED SECURITY CLASSIFICATION ASSIGNMENT (#250, (#180, #190, #240));
ENDSEC;
END-ISO-10303-21;
```

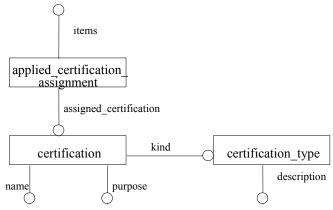
Example 61: exchange file for security classification

13.5 Certification

The PDM Schema supports the assignment of certification information to parts, component usages and relationships between part versions. The key entity used for this purpose is certification. In the PDM Schema primarily the certification of supplied parts is seen as a use case for certification. Thus the assignment of certification information is restricted to instances of product_definition_formation_relationship that model a 'supplied part'-relationship.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

the objects for which the certification is applicable



certification type is described here

Diagram 62: Certification Instance Diagram

13.5.1.1 certification

This entity is a documentation that asserts facts. Such certification information might for example use ISO 9000 categories.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute defines the label by which a certification is known.
- The *purpose* attribute provides an informal description why the certification is applied.
- The *kind* attribute defines the class of certification that is applied via an instance of certification_type.

ENTITY certification	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	
purpose	type: text = string	
kind	type: entity = certification_type	

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: A certification is related to product data information via instances of applied_certification assignment.

13.5.1.2 applied_certification_assignment

This entity is a type of certification assignment that assigns a certification to a certification item.

Attributes

• The *assigned certification* references the relevant instance of the certification entity.

• The *items* attribute defines the set of items to which the certification is assigned. Currently the PDM Schema exclusively supports to use production_definition_formation_relationship as item to be certified.

ENTITY applied_certification	Attribute Population	Remarks
assignment		
assigned_certification	type : entity = certification	
items	type : entity = certification_item	SET[1:?]. In the scope of the PDM Schema this is a set of product definition formation -
		relationship instances

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: Instances of the applied_certification_assignment model establish a relationship between a certification instances and a set of product_definition_formation_relationship instances to which this certification applies.

13.5.1.3 certification_type

This entity gives the kind of certification granted. Such a kind may for example be defined via labels as 'supplier certification' or 'ISO 9000'.

Attributes

• The *description* is a text that characterizes the certification type.

ENTITY certification_type	Attribute Population	Remarks
description	type: label = string	

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: Each instances of certification references an instance of certification type.

```
/* primary application context for design assembly life cycle */
#10 = APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#220 = PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #10, '');
#230 = PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('part definition', #10, 'design');

/* part type discrimination */
#100=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('part',$,(#2, #9));

/* solid cube - supplied part */
#2=PRODUCT('11000','solid 'cube','description for part 11000',(#220));
#3=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('A', 'description of version A for solid cube,#2);
#4=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('D1',' ',#3,#230);

/* solid box - internal part */
#9=PRODUCT('11111','Solid Box','part 11111 made from raw material 11000',(#220));
```

```
#10=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('A', 'description of version A for
part 11111',#9);
#11=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('D2','',#10,#230);

#16=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION_RELATIONSHIP('supplied_item_rel_id','s
upplied item',$,#10,#3);

#17=APPLIED_CERTIFICATION_ASSIGNMENT(#18,#16);
#18=CERTIFICATION('Category A supplied part','purpose is to certify
allowed replacements',#19);
#19=CERTIFICATION TYPE('supplier certification');
```

Example 62: exchange file for certification of supplied parts

14 Configuration and Effectivity Information

The PDM Schema supports the definition of product concepts, which define products from a market or customer oriented viewpoint. As they are offered to the customers, these product concepts often define conceptual 'product models' which are available or delivered to the customer in different configurations or variations.

NOTE - If the number of possible variations of a product concept is too large, it might not be suitable to explicitly specify and manage all existing configurations of that product concept. The members of a product concept might therefore be defined implicitly by identifying the product features that characterize it or are available for it as options. Conditions among those features may be specified to manage dependencies and define the valid product variations for a particular product concept. This implicit definition of the configurations available for a certain product concept is suitable for customer option and variant specification: once all options are specified a single configuration is determined that may be represented explicitly for downstream application. Implicit definition of configurations is not contained in this version of the PDM Schema.

Configuration identification in the PDM Schema is the identification of product concepts and their associated configurations, the composition of which is to be managed. If a configuration of a product concept is implemented by a certain design, i.e., a particular part version, this version can be associated with the configuration and managed using configuration effectivity.

NOTE - Explicit representation of the configurations of a product concept is suitable for management of design as-planned manufacturing configurations, the traditional BOM inputs to manufacturing resource planning. These explicit configurations may also be suitable for management of other activities 'downstream' from the design phase, such as as-built and as-maintained configurations.

Configuration effectivity in the PDM Schema allows attachment of effectivity information to occurrences of component parts in the context of a particular configuration item. This enables specification of the valid use of a part occurrence in the context of a lot, serial number range or time period of a particular product configuration. This controls the constituent parts that are planned to be used for manufacturing end items of a particular product configuration within a dated time period or for a certain lot or serial number range of the end items.

While configuration effectivity is used to define the planned usage of components in the context of a particular product configuration, the PDM Schema also allows assignment of general validity periods to product data that control the usage of these product data independent of any particular life cycle or context.

14.1 Configuration Identification

The configuration identification supports two important concepts to describe the products that are sold by an organization to its customers:

- Product Concept Identification,
- Product Concept Configuration Identification.

Product concept identification supports the representation of an organization's products as they are conceived or offered to the customers. A product as offered to the market can directly correspond to a manufacturable object, or it can be available to the customer in different configurations where each of these configurations defines a manufacturable object. The product concept configuration identification supports the specification of these product configurations and their associated part designs.

14.1.1 Product Concept Identification

The products that are sold by an organization to its customers are often defined as variations or configurations of a common product model, referred to as product concept. This product concept is defined in a market context and can be seen as a logical container for all of its variations. In the PDM Schema, product concept identification is the representation of these product concepts with their related market context.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements to represent product concept identification information are illustrated in Diagram 63 below.

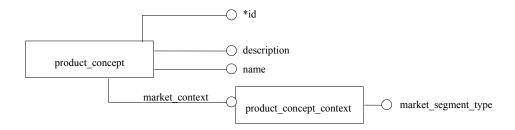


Diagram 63: Product concept identification Instance Diagram

14.1.1.1 product concept

A product_concept describes a class of similar products that an organization provides to its customers. It represents the idea of a product as identified by potential or actual customer requirements. Therefore, a product concept may exist before the parts have been defined that implement it.

Depending on the kind of industry and products, a product_concept might be offered to the customers in one or many different configurations. If exactly one configuration is defined, the product_concept corresponds to a particular part design. If the product concept is offered in different configurations, each of these configurations is a member of the class of products defined by this product_concept.

- The *id* attribute specifies the identifier of the product_concept. It is usually assigned by the organization that provides the product belonging to that product_concept to its customers. This identifier must be unique within the given scope.
- The name attribute specifies the nomenclature, or common name, by which the product_concept is referred.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information about the product concept.
- The market for the products belonging to a product_concept is further described in the market_context
 attribute. All product_concepts must have a related product_concept_context, which specifies their
 market context.

ENTITY product_concept	Attribute Population	Remarks
Id	type: identifier = string	must be unique
Name	type: label = string	
Description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
market_context	type: entity = product_concept	reference to the associated
	context	product_concept_context (see
		14.1.1.2)

Preprocessor Recommendations: There might be several levels of product concepts defined in a company. The description of product concept structures and relationships is not supported by the current PDM Schema version. It is therefore recommended to instantiate the lowest level product_concept that is offered to the customer.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: A product_concept represents a conceptual idea of a class of similar products that are offered to a market. No design or manufacturing related product data can be attached to the product_concept directly. The members of that product class are the different configurations that are available for the product_concept. Within the PDM Schema, these configurations are defined explicitly as configuration_items (see 14.1.2.1), each of them being potentially related to the parts that implement the particular configuration. A product_concept will usually be referenced by at least one associated configuration item specifying a particular product configuration.

In addition, a product concept may be referenced by the following entity:

• applied_organizational_project_assignment to represent projects associated to the product_concept (see 15.3.1.2).

14.1.1.2 product_concept_context

The product_concept_context entity is a subtype of application_context_element. It defines the market context in which a product_concept is defined and may include information characterizing the potential customers of the products of the associated product_concept. The application domain is identified by the associated application_context entity.

Attributes

• The *market_segment_type* is a label that identifies the kind of consumer preferences associated with a product concept.

ENTITY product_concept context	Attribute Population	Remarks
Name	type: label = text	Specifies a label by which the product_concept_context is known.
frame_of_reference	type: entity = application_context	see 1.1.2.2
market_segment_type	type: label = text	

Preprocessor Recommendations: It is recommended to instantiate this entity exactly once in the data set. There is no standard mapping for the name and market_segment_type attributes of a product_concept_context. Neither AP203 nor AP214 define requirements for a product_concept_context. It is therefore recommended to use the default values for the entities and attributes not supported by the preprocessor as described in the 'General information' section of this usage guide.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

14.1.2 Product Concept Configuration Identification

Product configuration identification is the explicit identification of the configurations that exist for a given product concept and the representation of their composition. A product configuration is specified as a configuration_item. Product configurations can be related to appropriate part versions to specify the designs that implement the product configurations through the configuration_design. Configuration items relate to part versions that implement the product configuration through the configuration design.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the identification of customer oriented product configurations are illustrated in Diagram 64 below. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding is given in Example 63.

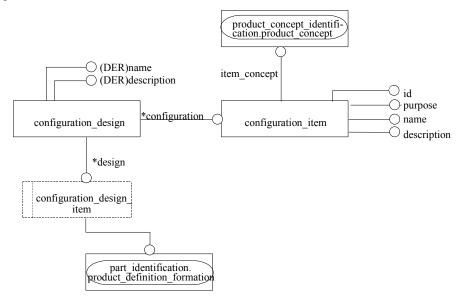


Diagram 64: Product Concept Configuration Identification Instance Diagram

14.1.2.1 configuration_item

The configuration_item entity is a key concept to support explicit configuration management. It represents the identification of a particular configuration, i.e., variation of a product_concept. A configuration_item is defined with respect to the product concept, i.e., the class of similar products of which it is a member.

The configuration_item defines a manufacturable end item, or something that is conceived and expected as such. The association between a configuration_item and a corresponding part design is established using a configuration_design. The valid use of component parts for planned units of manufacturing of a particular configuration_item may be specified using configuration effectivity (see 14.2).

NOTE - Depending on the type of products, and the organization that defines and sells the products, a product_concept may directly correspond to a particular part design, which means that only one variation, i.e., one configuration item exists for that particular product concept.

NOTE - ISO 10303-44 allows the configuration_item to be a variation of a product concept, or of any of its discrete portions that is treated as a single unit in the configuration management process. According to this definition, it is possible to associate a configuration_item describing a particular configuration of, for example, an engine to a product concept describing a class of cars. This usage is not recommended.

- The *id* attribute specifies an identifier that distinguishes the configuration_item.
- The *name* attribute specifies the word or common name used to refer to the configuration item.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information about the configuration item.
- The *item_concept* attribute specifies the product_concept of which the configuration_item is a member, i.e., of which it is a configuration.
- The *purpose* attribute specifies a descriptive label providing a reason to create the item concept.

ENTITY configuration_item	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string identification of view owner	must be unique in relation with a specific product_concept
name	type: label = text	may be 'product identification'
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
item_concept	type: entity = product_defini-	reference to the product_concept
	tion_formation	the configuration_item is a
		configuration of.
purpose	type: label = text	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: There is no standard mapping for the id attribute of configuration_item; however the value should be unique in conjunction with the id attribute of the associated product concept.

The description attribute is optional, but may contain any appropriate/mutually-agreed-upon string. If this attribute is not used, it should be assigned the value '\$'.

The purpose attribute is optional, but may contain any appropriate/mutually-agreed-upon string. In AP203 it is used to convey the stage in the life cycle of the product (e.g., Technology and Concept Development, Development and Refinement, Manufacturing and Assembly Validation, and Production) in which a particular version of the design of a configuration_item is being exchanged. If this attribute is not used, it should be assigned the value '\$'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: A configuration item may be referenced by the following entities:

configuration_design to associate the configuration_item to a corresponding part design. A configuration_item can be established prior to the existence of a corresponding part design, i.e., a configuration_design does not need to exist for a configuration_item.

14.1.2.2 configuration design

The configuration design entity represents an association between a configuration_item identifying a particular product configuration and a product design intended to implement that item. Thus, a configuration_design entity represents the association of a configuration_item with a product_definition or product_definition_formation to specify that the corresponding design is a solution for a given configuration_item. A given design may be the design for different configuration_items belonging to the same or even different product concepts.

The configuration_design entity may have, at most, one name associated with it through the entity name_-attribute. If a name is associated, the configuration_design is referenced as the named_item by a name_-attribute where the name is stored in the attribute attribute_value. It is not recommended to instantiate this additional value.

The configuration_design entity may have a description associated with it through the entity description_-attribute. If a description is associated, the configuration_design is referenced as the described_item by a description_attribute where the description is stored in the attribute attribute_value. It is not recommended to instantiate this additional value.

- The *configuration* attribute specifies the configuration_item, i.e., the product configuration that the associated design implements.
- The *design* attribute specifies the product_definition or product_definition_formation that is a candidate for use in manufacturing actual units of a configuration_item.

ENTITY configuration_design	Attribute Population	Remarks
configuration	type: entity = configuration_item	reference to the configuration
		item for which a design is
		specified
design	type: entity = configuration	reference to the
	design_item select	product_definition_formation that
		is a design for the associated
		configuration_item
name	DERIVEd attribute	at most one name can be
	type: label = string	associated via the entity name
		attribute
description	DERIVEd attribute	at most one description can be
	type: text = string	associated via the entity
		description_attribute

Preprocessor Recommendations: The design attribute allows specifying a product_definition or product_definition_formation as the design for the associated configuration_item. Both AP203 and AP214 do not foresee product_definitions to be specified as the design in a configuration_design. It is therefore recommended to only reference product definition formations from the configuration design.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: A configuration design may be referenced by the following entities:

• configuration_effectivity to specify which component parts are planned to be used for building actual units of manufacturing of the associated configuration_item. (See 14.2)

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#100=PRODUCT CONCEPT CONTEXT('pcc name1', #1, '');
#1=APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#2=PRODUCT CONCEPT('PC-M01', 'PC model name1', 'PC system', #100);
#5=CONFIGURATION ITEM('PC-Conf1', 'Base Config Europe', 'PC system
standard configuration for Europe', #2, $);
#6=CONFIGURATION ITEM('PC-Conf2', 'Base Config US', 'PC system standard
configuration for US', #2, $);
#7=CONFIGURATION ITEM('PC-Conf3', 'High End Config US', 'High end PC
system for US', \#2, $);
#8=APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#9=PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #8, '');
#10=PRODUCT('PC-0023', 'PC system', $, (#9));
#11=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('D', 'housing redesigned', #10);
#12=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #8, 'design');
#13=PRODUCT DEFINITION ('pc v1', 'design view on base PC', #11, #12);
#14=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#10));
#15=CONFIGURATION DESIGN(#5, #11);
#16=CONFIGURATION DESIGN(#6, #11);
#17=CONFIGURATION DESIGN(#7, #11);
```

Example 63: exchange file segment for configuration identification

14.2 Configuration Composition Management

Configuration composition management is concerned with the specification of the different product configurations that exist for a given product concept, and the association with product data that is necessary

to build those configurations. This includes the identification of the actual constituents that are to be included in a planned unit of production of a product configuration.

Effectivity is a key concept to control the valid use of product data. The PDM Schema supports the association of effectivity information to different types of product data. Two different effectivity concepts are available:

- configuration effectivity, describing the planned use of part occurrences (i.e., occurrences of parts as sub-assemblies or component parts in some higher level assembly) in the context of a configuration_item defined for a product concept.
- a more generic effectivity, describing the validity period in which the associated product data may be used independent from any additional context (e.g., life-cycle or organization related) that further restricts the applicability of that effectivity (see 14.3).

14.2.1 Configuration effectivity

Configuration effectivity allows control of the constituent parts that should be used to build the physical instances of a product configuration. The composition of the product configurations for planned units of manufacture may be controlled for a given time period, lot, or serial number range. This is managed using dated effectivity, lot effectivity, or serial numbered effectivity.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements of configuration effectivity are illustrated in Diagram 65 below. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding is given in Example 64.

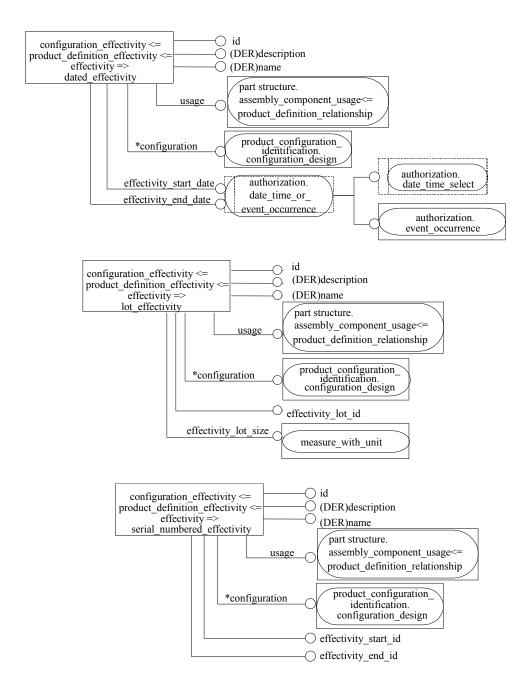


Diagram 65: Configuration Effectivity Instance Diagram

14.2.1.1 effectivity

The effectivity entity supports the specification of a domain of applicability for product data. Effectivity is a generic concept defining the valid use of the product data to which the effectivity is assigned.

NOTE - The assignment of effectivities is often done during the approval process, i.e, when releasing product data for the next stage of the development process, it gets effectivity information assigned to define when and in which context these product data may be used.

Within the PDM Schema, there are two areas identified for the usage of the effectivity concept: configuration effectivity and general validity period effectivity. These two areas are reflected by two orthogonal subtype structures defined for the effectivity entity.

One subtype structure contains the effectivity subtypes dated_effectivity, lot_effectivity, serial_numbered_effectivity, and time_interval_based_effectivity, restricting the domain of applicability of the associated product data to a date range, a particular lot or serial number range, or to a time interval respectively. There is a ONEOF constraint between these subtypes, i.e., an effectivity can be, at most, one of dated_effectivity, lot effectivity, serial numbered effectivity, and time interval based effectivity.

The other subtype structure contains product_definition_effectivity as subtype of effectivity, and configuration_effectivity as subtype of product_definiton_effectivity. The subtypes in the second structure are restricted to apply to a particular usage occurrence of a constituent part in some higher-level assembly.

Attributes

• The *id* attribute specifies the identifier that distinguishes the effectivity.

ENTITY effectivity	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	type: identifier = string	identifier of the effectivity
name	DERIVEd attribute type: label = string	at most one name can be associated via the entity nameattribute
description	DERIVEd attribute type: text = string	at most one description can be associated via the entity description_attribute

Preprocessor Recommendations: It is recommended to not instantiate the effectivity instance as standalone instance, i.e., an effectivity should always be assigned to some product data either by using the applied_effectivity_assignment or by using the subtype configuration_effectivity, or the effectivity should have a relationship to some other effectivity that is assigned to some product data through effectivity_relationship (see 14.3.1.2). Furthermore, it is always recommended to instantiate an effectivity as one of its subtypes, unless the definition of the effectivity is based on some other effectivity using effectivity_relationship (see 14.3.1.2).

An identifier need not to be specified for a particular effectivity. If used, the id value should be unique in conjunction with the product data the effectivity is assigned to, and if present, the context restricting the applicability of the effectivity to a certain usage.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: An effectivity may be referenced by the following entities:

- applied_effectivity_assignment to assign the effectivity to the product data to which it applies. Applied_effectivity_assignment is only used in general validity period assignment (see 14.3); it may not be used to assign product definition effectivity.
- effectivity_relationship to associate two effectivities, e.g., to base the definition of one effectivity on the definition of the other, or to describe their dependencies.

14.2.1.2 product definition effectivity

The product_definition_effectivity entity is a subtype of effectivity. It applies to a particular occurrence of a component or sub-assembly part as used within an assembly. It is the identification of a valid use of a

particular product_definition in the context of its participation in a given product_definition_usage. The effectivity applies to a product_definition that is referenced as the related_product_definition by the product definition relationship associated to the product definition effectivity through the *usage* attribute.

Attributes

• The *usage* attribute specifies the product_definition_relationship defining the product_definition to which the effectivity applies as the related_product_definition, and identifying the usage context for which the effectivity applies.

ENTITY effectivity	product_definition	Attribute Population	Remarks
id		see supertype	
name		see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
description		see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
usage		type: entity = product_defini-	reference to the associated
		tion relationship	product definition relationship

Preprocessor Recommendations: In the context of the PDM Schema, product_definition_effectivity is only used as configuration_effectivity, i.e., product_definition_effectivity should always be instantiated as its subtype configuration effectivity.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

14.2.1.3 configuration effectivity

The entity configuration_effectivity is a subtype of product_definition_effectivity that contains information about the planned usage of components in a product configuration. It defines the valid use of a particular product_definition occurrence at a certain position in the assembly structure for a specified product configuration.

The configuration_effectivity entity allows the association of the appropriate versions of constituent parts intended to be used at the defined position in the assembly structure to build a configuration_item. In the context of the PDM Schema, the configuration_effectivity always relates to a particular unit of manufacture of the end items of the given configuration_item. The three ways to instantiate configuration_effectivity are:

- **serial_numbered_effectivity**, where the configuration_effectivity defines the valid use of constituent part occurrences for a serial number range of instances of a product configuration to be manufactured;
- dated_effectivity, where the configuration_effectivity defines the valid use of constituent part
 occurrences for a time range based on dates when instances of the product configuration are
 manufactured:
- *lot_effectivity*, where the configuration_effectivity defines the valid use of constituent part occurrences for a given lot of instances of a product configuration to be manufactured.

Attributes

• The *configuration* attribute identifies the configuration_design that specifies the associated configuration_item for which the configuration_effectivity applies, and the corresponding product_definition_formation which defines the design that implements the configuration_item and thus specifies the upper most node ('entry point') in its product structure.

The particular usage of the constituent part the effectivity applies to is defined as product_definition_usage referenced by the *usage* attribute. The product_definition_usage should be instantiated as an assembly_component_usage or one of its subtypes (see 4.1.1.1). The attribute related_product_definition specifies the definition of a constituent part, and the attribute relating_ product_definition specifies the definition of

the assembly (or sub-assembly) in which the constituent may be used. This assembly definition is part of the design that implements the configuration_item for which the configuration_effectivity applies, i.e., it either is a part definition of the product_definition_formation defining the ('complete') design for the configuration_item, or it is an occurrence in the product structure of that complete design, i.e., is related to that in a tree of assembly_component_usage instances.

ENTITY configuratio effectivity	n Attribute Population	Remarks
id	see supertype	The combination of the id attribute, the associated product_definition_usage and configuration_design has to uniquely identify the configuration_effectivity.
name	see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
description	see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
usage	see supertype	type is restricted to be a product_definition_usage <= product_definition_relationship
configuration	type: entity = configuration design	reference to the configuration design specifying the configura- tion_item which identifies the context in which the effectivity applies.

Preprocessor Recommendations: A configuration_effectivity should always be instantiated in conjunction, i.e., as complex instance with either dated_effectivity, lot_effectivity, or serial_numbered_effectivity to specify the dated time period, or the lot or serial number range for the manufacturing units of the associated configuration_item, for which the effectivity applies.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: A configuration effectivity may be referenced by the following entity:

applied approval assignment to assign approval information to the configuration effectivity.

14.2.1.4 dated effectivity

The dated_effectivity entity is a subtype of effectivity that applies onwards from a point in time, or between two points in time which define the start and end of the dated_effectivity. These points in time may be specified as date or a date and time, or by an event occurrence.

Attributes

- The *effectivity_start_date* specifies the date_and_time or the event when the effectivity of the associated product data begins to apply. It defines the lower bound of the interval of applicability.
- The *effectivity_end_date* specifies the date_and_time or the event when the effectivity of the associated product data ends. It defines the upper bound of the interval of applicability. If a value for this attribute is not defined, the interval of applicability has no upper limit.

ENTITY dated_effectivity	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	see supertype	
name	see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
description	see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
effectivity_start_date	type: entity = date_time_or event_occurrence	

ENTITY dated_effectivity	Attribute Population	Remarks
effectivity_end_date	type: entity = date_time_or	OPTIONAL
	event occurrence	

Preprocessor Recommendations: In the context of the PDM Schema, dated_effectivity is used to specify configuration_effectivities, as well as general validity periods of product data. If used to specify the valid use of a part occurrence in the context of a date range for end items of an identified product configuration, dated_effectivity has to be instantiated in conjunction, i.e., as complex instance with configuration effectivity.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

14.2.1.5 lot_effectivity

The entity lot_effectivity is a subtype of effectivity. It defines the domain of applicability as a given batch of end items.

Attributes

- The *effectivity_lot_id* attribute specifies a production batch of end items for the manufacturing of which the effectivity applies.
- The *effectivity_lot_size* attribute specifies the size of the batch of end items for the manufacturing of which the effectivity applies.

ENTITY lot_effectivity	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	see supertype	
name	see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
description	see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
effectivity_lot_id	type: identifier = string	
effectivity_lot_size	type: entity = measure_with_unit	reference to the measure with unit specifying the size of the lot to be manufactured

Preprocessor Recommendations: In the context of the PDM Schema, lot_effectivity is only used to specify the valid use of a part occurrence in the context of a unit of manufacture of the identified product configuration, i.e., configuration_item. Therefore, it is recommended to only instantiate a lot_effectivity in conjunction, i.e., as complex instance with configuration_effectivity.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

14.2.1.6 serial_numbered_effectivity

A serial_numbered_effectivity is a type of effectivity for which the domain of applicability is defined as a possibly open-ended interval of serial numbers.

Attributes

- The *effectivity_start_id* attribute identifies the first valid serial number for which the effectivity applies.
- The *effectivity_end_id* attribute the last valid serial number for which the effectivity applies. If a value for this attribute is not defined, the interval of applicability has no serial number defined as upper bound, i.e., the effectivity is expected to apply to all serial numbers greater than the effectivity_start_id.

ENTITY serial_numbered effectivity	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	see supertype	
name	see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
description	see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
effectivity_start_id	type: identifier = string	
effectivity_end_id	type: identifier = string	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: In the context of the PDM Schema, serial_numbered_effectivity is only used to specify the valid use of a part occurrence in the context of a serial number range for end items of the identified product configuration, i.e., configuration_item. Therefore, it is recommended to only instantiate a serial_numbered_effectivity in conjunction, i.e., as complex instance with configuration_effectivity.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#100=PRODUCT CONCEPT CONTEXT('pcc name1', #1, '');
#1=APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#2=PRODUCT CONCEPT('PC-M01', 'PC model name1', 'PC system', #100);
#5=CONFIGURATION ITEM('PC-Conf1', 'Base Config Europe', 'PC system
standard configuration for Europe', #2, $);
#6=CONFIGURATION ITEM('PC-Conf2', 'Base Config US', 'PC system standard
configuration for US', #2, $);
#8=APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
#9=PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #8, '');
#10=PRODUCT('PC-0023', 'PC system', $, (#9));
#11=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('D', 'description of PC-0023,D', #10);
#12=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #8, 'design');
#14=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('part', $, (#10, #18, #20, #21,
#22, #23));
#15=CONFIGURATION DESIGN(#5, #11);
#16=CONFIGURATION DESIGN(#6, #11);
\#18 = PRODUCT('MB - 0013', 'Mainboard', \$, (\#9));
#19=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('F', 'description of MB-0013,F', #18);
#20=PRODUCT('PSU-0009', 'Power supply unit', 'Power supply unit 220V',
(#9));
#21=PRODUCT('PSU-0011', 'Power supply unit', 'Power supply unit 110V',
#22=PRODUCT('PR-0133', 'CPU', 'Pentium II 233', (#9));
#23=PRODUCT('PR-0146', 'CPU', 'Pentium II 266', (#9));
#24=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', 'description of PSU-0009, A',
#20);
#25=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('B', 'description of PSU-0009,B',
#26=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('B', 'description of PSU-0011,B',
#27=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', 'description of PR-0133,A', #22);
#28=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('C', 'description of PR-0146,C', #23);
#29=PRODUCT DEFINITION ('pc v1', 'design view on PC-0023,D', #11, #12);
```

```
#30=PRODUCT DEFINITION('mb v1', 'design view on MB-0013,F', #19, #12);
#31=PRODUCT DEFINITION('psula v1', 'design view on PSU-0009, A', #24,
#33=PRODUCT DEFINITION('psulB v1', 'design view on PSU-0009,B', #25,
#34=PRODUCT DEFINITION('psua v1', 'design view on PSU-0011,B', #26,
#35=PRODUCT DEFINITION('pr1 v1', 'design view on PR-0133,A', #27, #12);
#36=PRODUCT DEFINITION('pr2 v1', 'design view on PR-0146,C', #28, #12);
#37=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('mb-u1', 'single instance usage', $,
#29, #30, $);
#38=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('psu-u1', 'single instance usage',
\$, \#29, \#31, \$);
#39=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('psu-u2', 'single instance usage',
$, #29, #33, $);
#40=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('psu-u3', 'single instance usage',
$, #29, #34, $);
#41=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('cpu-u1', 'single instance usage',
$, #30, #35, $);
#42=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('cpu-u2', 'single instance usage',
$, #30, #36, $);
#43=(CONFIGURATION EFFECTIVITY(#15)
     DATED EFFECTIVITY (#970, #910)
     EFFECTIVITY('')
     PRODUCT DEFINITION EFFECTIVITY (#38)
#45=(CONFIGURATION EFFECTIVITY(#15)
     DATED EFFECTIVITY($, #1010)
     EFFECTIVITY('')
     PRODUCT DEFINITION EFFECTIVITY (#39)
#46=(CONFIGURATION EFFECTIVITY(#16)
     EFFECTIVITY('')
     PRODUCT DEFINITION EFFECTIVITY (#40)
     SERIAL NUMBERED EFFECTIVITY ('PS253-000567', $)
#47=(CONFIGURATION EFFECTIVITY(#15)
     DATED EFFECTIVITY ($, #1160)
     EFFECTIVITY('')
     PRODUCT DEFINITION EFFECTIVITY (#41)
#48=(CONFIGURATION EFFECTIVITY(#16)
    EFFECTIVITY('')
     PRODUCT DEFINITION EFFECTIVITY (#41)
     SERIAL NUMBERED EFFECTIVITY('PS253-000345', 'PS253-000976')
    );
#49=(CONFIGURATION EFFECTIVITY(#16)
     EFFECTIVITY('')
     PRODUCT DEFINITION EFFECTIVITY (#42)
     SERIAL NUMBERED EFFECTIVITY ('PS253-000977', $)
#910=DATE AND TIME(#920, #930);
#920=CALENDAR DATE(2000, 1, 7);
#930=LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0., #940);
#940=COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
#970 = DATE AND TIME (#980, #990);
#980=CALENDAR DATE (1999, 31, 3);
```

```
#990=LOCAL_TIME(0, 0, 0., #1000);
#1000=COORDINATED_UNIVERSAL_TIME_OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
#1010=DATE_AND_TIME(#1020, #1030);
#1020=CALENDAR_DATE(1999, 1, 4);
#1030=LOCAL_TIME(0, 0, 0., #1031);
#1031=COORDINATED_UNIVERSAL_TIME_OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
#1110=DATE_AND_TIME(#1120, #1130);
#1120=CALENDAR_DATE(2000, 15, 7);
#1130=LOCAL_TIME(0, 0, 0., #1140);
#1140=COORDINATED_UNIVERSAL_TIME_OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
#1160=DATE_AND_TIME(#1170, #1180);
#1170=CALENDAR_DATE(2000, 1, 10);
#1180=LOCAL_TIME(0, 0, 0., #1190);
#1190=COORDINATED_UNIVERSAL_TIME_OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
```

Example 64: exchange file segment for configuration effectivity

14.3 General Validity Period

The PDM Schema allows assignment of general validity periods to product data that control the usage of these product data independent of any particular usage. The object to which the general validity period effectivity is assigned is considered valid within the identified period of time for any usage and within all contexts.

Configuration effectivity is used to define the planned usage of components in the context of a particular product configuration. If both general validity period and configuration effectivity is assigned to a particular component, the more restrictive of the assigned effectivities should be considered as in effect.

14.3.1 General validity period effectivity

The general validity period effectivity is used to describe effectivities with respect to a certain time period in which the associated product data may be used. The object to which the general validity period effectivity is assigned is considered valid within the identified period of time.

The general validity effectivity may be applied in two ways:

- usage independent general validity period,
- usage dependent general validity period.

Usage independent general validity period effectivity can be applied to 'stand-alone' elements independent from their usage by some other element, such as part (or document) versions or particular views on these. If a general validity period effectivity is assigned to a product_definition_formation, it is assumed that this effectivity also applies to all associated product_definitions that do not carry their own effectivity information.

Usage dependent general validity period effectivity can be applied to product_definition_relationship instances representing a usage of the related_product_definition in the context of the relating_product_definition. It should be used to define the validity period in which the related_product_definition may be used/is to be used in the context of the relating product definition.

Usage dependent and usage independent effectivity concepts are referred to as structure related and version related effectivity. Either one can be used to describe a valid product data structure for a certain time range The two concepts can also be used in combination, but restrictions should apply for the defined validity periods. If different effectivities apply to a product_definition and a product_definition_relationship where the product_definition is the related_product_definition, then the effectivity period of the product_definition_relationship should be within the effectivity period defined for the related_product_definition.

The general validity period effectivity is based on the definition of the effectivity entity as defined in 14.2.1.1. Two types of effectivity may be used to describe general validity period effectivity:

- dated_effectivity, i.e., the validity period can be defined by the points in time when the period of applicability of the associated object starts and ends (see 14.2.1.4),
- time interval based effectivity, i.e.the validity period is defined as an intervening time.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements of general validity period effectivity are illustrated in Diagram 66 below. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding is given in Example 65 and Example 66.

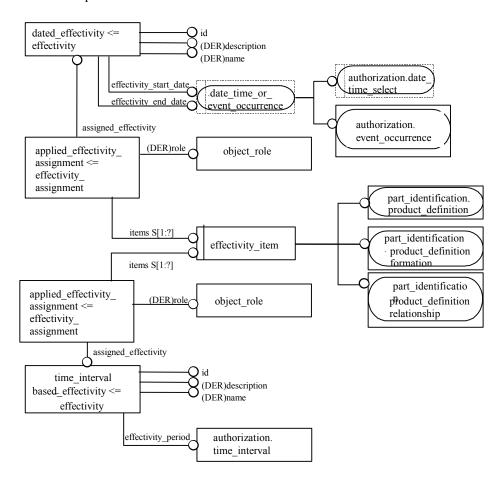


Diagram 66: General validity period effectivity Instance Diagram

14.3.1.1 time_interval_based_effectivity

The entity time_interval_based_effectivity is a subtype of effectivity for which the domain of applicability is defined as a possibly open time_interval. This type of effectivity enables the specification of an interval of time through one boundary and the duration of the interval.

Attributes

• The *effectivity_period* attribute identifies the time_interval in which the associated product data is effective.

ENTITY time_interval_based effectivity	Attribute Population	Remarks
id	see supertype	
name	see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
description	see supertype	DERIVEd attribute
effectivity_period	type: entity = time_interval	

Preprocessor Recommendations: In the context of the PDM Schema, time_interval_based_effectivity is only used to general validity periods for the associated product data. Therefore, it should not be instantiated in conjunction, i.e., as complex instance with configuration_effectivity.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

14.3.1.2 effectivity_relationship

An effectivity relationship is a relationship between two effectivity objects. The meaning of the effectivity relationship is given by its *name* attribute. An effectivity_relationship may be used to define an effectivity with respect to some other effectivity or to express some dependency between two effectivity objects.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute specifies the meaning of the relationship.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information text that characterizes the effectivity_relationship.
- The *relating_effectivity* specifies the first effectivity that is related by the effectivity_relationship. The relating_effectivity usually identifies the effectivity the definition of the related_effectivity is based on, e.g., derived from or dependent on. The semantics of this attribute should be defined by the name attribute.
- The *related_effectivity* specifies the second effectivity related by the effectivity_relationship. The related_effectivity usually identifies the effectivity which is based on the definition of the relating_effectivity. The semantics of this attribute should be defined by the name attribute.

ENTITY effectivity_relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
relating_effectivity	type: entity = effectivity	
related_effectivity	type: entity = effectivity	

PreprocessorRecommendations: The name attribute is used to specify the type of the effectivity_relationship and therefore should be populated with predefined values of which both sides of the exchange have a common understanding. The value 'constraint' for the name attribute should be used to indicate that the validity period defined by the related_effectivity should be within the time period of the relating_effectivity. The value 'inheritance' for the name attribute should be used to indicate that the related_effectivity shall not define its own validity period, but inherits the validity period from the relating_effectivity (this inheritance might occur over a chain of interrelated effectivity_relationship instances). There are no further standard mappings specified for the name attribute. Additional values must be agreed upon mutually.

There is no standard mapping for the description attribute. The description attribute is optional, but may contain any appropriate/mutually-agreed-upon string. If this attribute is not needed/used, it should be assigned the value '\$'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

14.3.1.3 applied_effectivity_assignment

The general validity period effectivity may be applied to different types of product data, potentially specifying an additional role in which the effectivity is assigned. The effectivity_assignment entity defines a general mechanism to associate general validity period to some product data.

The entity applied_effectivity_assignment is a subtype of effectivity assignment. It adds the attribute items, which refers to the instances of product data to which the validity period is assigned. The types of product data to which general validity period effectivity may be assigned are defined in the effectivity_item select type.

The applied_effectivity_assignment entity should have a role associated with it through the entity object_role. If a role is associated, the applied_effectivity_assignment is referenced as the item_with_role by a role_association where the role is stored in the name attribute of the object_role associated as role. Role information may be used to distinguish between, e.g., required, planned, or actual, effectivities of an object.

Attributes

- The *assigned effectivity* specifies the effectivity which is assigned.
- The *items* attribute specifies the set of items to which the associated effectivity is assigned.

ENTITY applied_effectivity	Attribute Population	Remarks
assignment		
assigned_effectivity	type: entity = effectivity	
role	type: entity = object_role	DERIVEd attribute
items	type: entity = effectivity_item	SET[1:?]
	select	

Preprocessor Recommendations: applied_effectivity_assignment shall only be used to assign general validity period effectivities, i.e., the assigned effectivity shall not be of type lot_effectivity or serial_numbered effectivity.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: An applied effectivity assignment may be referenced by the following entities:

- role association to specify a object role defining the role of the assignment.
- Where applicable the following role values shall be used:
- 'actual period': The actual period during which the Effectivity lasted;
- 'actual start': The actual date in the past when the Effectivity became effective;
- 'actual stop': The actual date in the past when the Effectivity ceased to be effective;
- 'planned period': The period associated with the Effectivity defines a planned period of time during which the associated object is or was supposed to be effective;
- 'planned start': The date or event associated with the Effectivity defines the date or event when the Effectivity is or was supposed to start;
- 'planned stop': The date or event associated with the Effectivity defines the date or event when the Effectivity is or was supposed to stop;
- 'required period': The associated object must be kept effective for this period;

- 'required start': The date or event associated with the Effectivity is a due start date. Conformance to this bound is expected;
- 'required stop': The date or event associated with the Effectivity is a due stop date. Conformance to this bound is expected.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#1=APPLICATION CONTEXT ('mechanical design');
#220=PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #1, '');
#230=PRODUCT_DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #1, 'design');
#100=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#2));
/* part master definition with two succeeding versions*/
#2=PRODUCT('11000', 'solid cube', 'description for part 11000',
#3=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', 'version A for solid cube', #2);
#4=PRODUCT DEFINITION ('D1', 'detailed drawing as planned for STEP
conformance testing', #3, #230);
#10=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('B', 'version B for part 11000', #2);
#11=PRODUCT DEFINITION('D2', 'detailed drawing', #10, #230);
#16=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION RELATIONSHIP('id', 'sequence', $, #3,
/* start and end dates for effectivity */
#910=DATE AND TIME(#920, #930);
#920=CALENDAR DATE (2000, 1, 7);
#930=LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0., #940);
#940=COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
#970=DATE AND TIME(#980, #990);
#980=CALENDAR DATE(1999, 31, 3);
#990=LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0., #1000);
#1000=COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
#1010=DATE AND TIME(#1020, #1030);
#1020=CALENDAR DATE(1999, 1, 4);
#1030=LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0., #1031);
#1031=COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
/* effectivity definition and assignment */
#1040=DATED EFFECTIVITY('', #970, #910);
#1041=DATED EFFECTIVITY('', $, #1010);
#1042=APPLIED EFFECTIVITY ASSIGNMENT(#1040, (#3));
#1043=APPLIED EFFECTIVITY ASSIGNMENT(#1041, (#10));
#1044=OBJECT ROLE('actual', $);
#1045=ROLE ASSOCIATION(#1044, #1042);
#1046=ROLE ASSOCIATION(#1044, #1043);
```

Example 65: exchange file segment for view independent general validity period effectivity

```
#10=APPLICATION_CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#100=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('part', $, (#380, #440));
#220=PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #10, '');
#230=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('part definition', #10, 'design');
#340=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT_ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT('assembly definition', #10, '');
#360=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('detail', $, (#380));
#380=PRODUCT('g1', 'gasket', $, (#220));
#390=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('A', '', #380);
#400=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('gv1', 'design view on gasket A', #390, #230);
#420=PRODUCT_RELATED_PRODUCT_CATEGORY('assembly', $, (#440));
```

```
#440=PRODUCT('s1', 'sleeve assembly', $, (#220));
#450=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', '', #440);
#460=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('sv1', 'design view on sleeve assembly', #450,
#230);
#530=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('qu-1', 'single instance usage',
'gasket usage left', #460, #400, $);
#540=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('qu-2 ', 'single instance usage',
'gasket usage right', #460, #400, $);
#800=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#460, #350, #340);
#810=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_CONTEXT_ASSOCIATION(#815, #350, #340);
#811=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('B', 'gasket modified', #380);
#812=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION RELATIONSHIP('', 'sequence', $, #390,
#813=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #10,
'manufacturing');
#814=PRODUCT DEFINITION('gv3', 'manufacturing view on gasket A', #390,
#815=PRODUCT DEFINITION('sv2', 'manufacturing view on sleeve assembly',
#450, #813);
#816=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('qu3', 'single instance usage',
'gasket usage left', #815, #814, $);
#817=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('qu4', 'single instance usage',
'gasket usage right', #815, #814, $);
#818=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('qu5', 'single instance usage',
'gasket usage left', #460, #821, $);
#819=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE('gu6', 'single instance usage',
'gasket usage right', #460, #821, $);
#821=PRODUCT DEFINITION('qv2', 'design view on gasket B', #811, #230);
#910=DATE AND TIME (#920, #930);
#920=CALENDAR DATE (2000, 1, 7);
#930=LOCAL_TIME(0, 0, 0., #940);
#940=COORDINATED_UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
#970=DATE AND TIME(#980, #990);
#980=CALENDAR DATE (1999, 31, 3);
#990=LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0., #1000);
#1000=COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
#1010=DATE AND TIME(#1020, #1030);
#1020=CALENDAR DATE(1999, 1, 4);
#1030=LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0., #1031);
#1031=COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
#1040=DATED EFFECTIVITY('', #970, #910);
#1041=DATED EFFECTIVITY('', $, #1010);
#1042=APPLIED EFFECTIVITY ASSIGNMENT(#1040, (#400));
#1043=APPLIED EFFECTIVITY ASSIGNMENT(#1041, (#821));
#1044=OBJECT ROLE('actual', $);
#1045=ROLE ASSOCIATION(#1044, #1042);
#1046=ROLE ASSOCIATION(#1044, #1043);
#1050=DATED_EFFECTIVITY('', $, #1110);
#1051=DATED EFFECTIVITY('', $, #1160);
#1052=APPLIED EFFECTIVITY ASSIGNMENT(#1050, (#460));
#1053=APPLIED EFFECTIVITY ASSIGNMENT(#1051, (#815, #814));
#1110=DATE AND TIME(#1120, #1130);
#1120=CALENDAR DATE(2000, 15, 7);
#1130=LOCAL TIME(0, 0, 0., #1140);
#1140=COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
#1160=DATE AND TIME (#1170, #1180);
#1170=CALENDAR DATE(2000, 1, 10);
```

```
#1180=LOCAL_TIME(0, 0, 0., #1190);
#1190=COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME OFFSET(1, $, .AHEAD.);
```

Example 66: exchange file segment for general validity period effectivity applied to views

15 Engineering Change and Work Management

The PDM Schema provides data structures for representation of the data used to manage the work being done during the engineering (release and change) process. The work management area contains the constructs to describe initial part design requirements and the change requirements and issues for revising part designs, as well as the proposed work and the directive for work to proceed in the development of these initial or modified part designs. The structures are based on three fundamental concepts: work request, work proposal, and work order.

Work request documents the need for a potential action such as creation of new functionality (release) or change of existing functionality, which may or may not ever be incorporated. If the request is incorporated, it is done through some action being taken on the request, which may result in the release of new functionality or a change to some existing functionality (or portions thereof). This action identifying the work to be done to address the request is formally directed by a work order.

All release and change proposals such as Engineering Change Proposals, Requests for Engineering Action, etc., are represented by the request for work portion of the work management data structure, i.e., the versioned_action_request and its related entity types. For a release or change proposal to be incorporated, there must be a definition of the actual work to be done. The work definition area includes the definition of work orders together with the activities that are directed by the work order.

In addition to the request for work and work definition structures, the PDM Schema provides the capability to represent project and contract related information, and to associate the work being done as part of the engineering process to the projects and contracts that control it.

15.1 Request for Work

The work done as part of an engineering process may be triggered or initiated by official requests that identify the need for a potential release or change of functionality. These requests may or may not ever actually be incorporated, depending upon the level of authorization granted to the request and its associated work order.

The STEP PDM Schema supports the representation of these work requests including their level of completion, the reason for the suggested work to be done, and the desired outcome. The items that are planned as the possible subject of this work may be identified as in scope and attached to the work request. If the request is in fact incorporated, these planned affected items of the work request may or may not actually be the items affected by the associated work order. One or more potential alternative solutions for addressing the work request may also be specified.

Additional administrative information such as persons, organizations, and date and time related information as well as approval authorization information can also be attached to a work request.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements to represent request for work information are illustrated in Diagram 67 below. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding is given in Example 67.

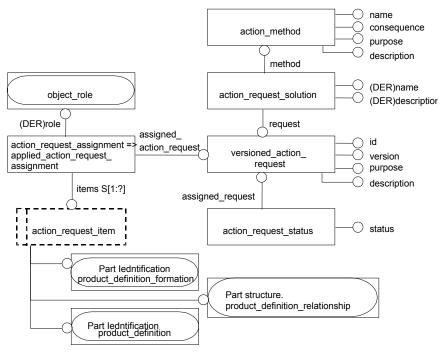


Diagram 67: Request for Work Instance Diagram

15.1.1.1 versioned_action_request

The versioned_action_request entity represents a request for some work which may be an initial release or a change. A versioned_action_request also specifies the reason for this work.

Possible ways to achieve the purpose of the request, i.e., potential alternative solutions, may be identified as one or more action_method instances that are attached to the versioned_action_request using the entity action_request_solution (see 15.1.1.4). Status information describing the level of completion of the versioned_action_request must be represented through an associated action_request_status (see 15.1.1.2).

The items that are planned as the subject of the work request are associated to the work request using applied_action_request_assignment (see 15.1.1.3). For example, if a versioned_action_request represents a request for change the items to be changed are identified through an applied_action_request_assignment. Such items may be part or document versions, view definitions, or part properties.—For additional information, see applied document reference 10.1.4.

Attributes

- The *id* attribute specifies an identifier that distinguishes the versioned action request.
- The *version* attribute specifies the identification of the version of the versioned_action_request.
- The *purpose* attribute specifies a descriptive label providing an informal description of the reason for the versioned action request.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information about the versioned action request.

ENTITY	versioned_action	Attribute Population	Remarks
request			
id		type: identifier = string	must be unique in conjunction with the version attribute
version		type: label = text	
purpose		type: text = string	
description		type: text = string	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: There is no standard mapping for the id attribute of versioned_action_request; however the value should be unique in conjunction with the version attribute.

The purpose attribute is mandatory, and may contain any appropriate/mutually-agreed-upon string. Where applicable, the following values for the purpose attribute may be used: 'technical improvement', 'government regulation', 'durability improvement', 'tool improvement', 'production relief', 'production requirement', 'quality improvement', 'security reason', 'standardization', 'cost reduction', 'customer rejection', 'change of standard', 'production alignment', and 'procurement alignment'.

A versioned_action_request shall have an associated status, represented by exactly one action_request_status, which references the versioned action request as the assigned request (see 15.1.1.2).

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: A versioned action request may be referenced by the following entities:

- action_request_solution to identify potential solutions to address the versioned_action_request.
- applied_action_request_assignment to identify the items that are planned as the subject of the assigned work request.

NOTE - If a versioned_action_request is referenced as the assigned_request by an applied_action_request_assignment specifying one or more product_definition_formations, product_definitions, or product_definition_relationships as the affected items, it is assumed that the versioned_action_request represents a request for change of the referenced objects, otherwise it represents a request for an initial design.

- action_directive to identify the definition of related engineering action(s) that provide the work definition proposed to incorporate the purpose of the versioned_action_request.
- applied_approval_assignment to associate approval information related to a versioned_action_request. See 13.2 for guidance in creating the approval constructs.
- applied_date_assignment (or applied_date_and_time_assignment) to associate date information to a versioned_action_request. See 13.3.1 for guidance in creating the date and time constructs. A recommended value for the name attribute of the date_role is 'request date'.
- applied_organization_assignment (or applied_person_and_organization_assignment) to associate organization (and person) information to a versioned_action_request. See 13.1 for guidance in creating the organization and person constructs. A recommended value for the name attribute of the organization role (or person and organization role) is 'requestor'.
- applied_document_reference to associate a document with the versioned_action_request.

15.1.1.2 action_request_status

The action_request_status entity represents the status describing the level of completion of the associated versioned_action_request.

Attributes

- The *status* attribute specifies a label that provides a user-interpretable designation for the level of completion of the versioned_action_request.
- The *assigned_request* attribute specifies the versioned_action_request for which the status is specified.

ENTITY action_request_status	Attribute Population	Remarks
status	type: label = text	
assigned_request	type: entity = versioned_action request	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The *status* attribute characterizes the level of completion of the versioned_action_request and therefore should be populated with predefined values that are commonly

understood by both sides of the exchange. Recommended values to be used are "proposed", "in-work", "issued", and "hold".

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

15.1.1.3 applied_action_request_assignment

A work request may be raised against different types of product data that might be subject to the requested work. The applied_action_request_assignment entity defines a mechanism to associate a work request with the items that are thought or planned to be affected by the work request.

The types of items to which a work request may be assigned are defined in the action_request_item select type. The STEP PDM Schema allows versions, views, and structure relationships of parts and documents (i.e., product_definition_formation, product_definition, and product_definition_relationship instances) to be subject of a work request. The action_request_item select type as well supports part properties to be subject of a work request.

Attributes

- The *assigned_action_request* specifies the versioned_action_request, which is assigned to the affected product data.
- The *items* attribute specifies the set of items that are subject of the work request represented by the associated versioned action request.

ENTITY applied_action	Attribute Population	Remarks
request_assignment		
assigned_action_request	type: entity = versioned_action	
	request	
role	DERIVEd attribute	OPTIONAL
	type: entity = object_role	
items	type: entity = action_request	SET[1:?]
	item select	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The applied_action_request_assignment entity may have a role associated with it through the entity object_role. Where applicable, the value 'scope' should be used to indicate that the referenced items are planned in scope of the assigned work request. If there is no role specified for an applied_action_request_assignment, it is assumed that the versioned_action_request represents a change request for the referenced objects.

Postprocessor Recommendations: If no object_role is specified for the applied_action_request_assignment, the assigned versioned_action_request shall be interpreted as a change request requesting a change of the associated items ('scope').

Related Entities: An action request assignment may be referenced by the following entities:

- role_association to specify an object_role defining the role of the assignment, i.e., purpose of the association of the applied_action_request_assignment with product data.
- property definition to specify properties of a work request

15.1.1.4 action request solution

The action_request_solution entity represents an association between a work and an action_method that describes a potential solution for the request. Identified solutions of a versioned_action_request may be explicitly recommended or explicitly excluded from a recommendation.

Attributes

- The *method* attribute specifies an action method that is a potential solution for the request.
- The *request* attribute specifies the versioned_action_request for which the (potential) solution is specified.

ENTITY action_request_solution	Attribute Population	Remarks
method	type: entity = action_method	
request	type: entity = versioned_action	
	request	
description	DERIVEd attribute	at most one description can be
	type: text = string	associated via the entity
		description_attribute
name	DERIVEd attribute	at most one name can be
	type: label = string	associated via the entity name
		attribute

Preprocessor Recommendations: If a potential solution identified by an action_request_solution is explicitly recommended to address the issue raised by the versioned_action_request, the value 'recommended method' may be used for the name attribute. If a potential solution is identified as such, but not recommended to solve the work request, the value 'non-recommended method' may be used for the name attribute.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

15.1.1.5 action method

The action_method entity defines relevant information about the process for executing an activity. This definition includes the activity's objectives and effects and describes how the activity is to be carried out. Within the work management area, action_methods may be used to describe procedures for how to carry out activities and to represent the potential solutions to address a work request. Document files representing action_method can be associated by using applied_document_reference. For additional information, see applied_document_reference 10.1.4.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute specifies the word or common name used to refer to the action method.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information about the action method.
- The *consequence* attribute contains an informal description of the effects of the action method.
- The *purpose* attribute specifies a descriptive label characterizing the objectives of the action_method.

ENTITY action_method	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = text	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
consequence	type: text = string	
purpose	type: label = text	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: An action method may be referenced by the following entities:

- executed_action and directed_action to indicate the activities for which the action_method describes the procedure.
- action_request_solution to specify the versioned_action_request(s) for which the action_method defines a potential solution.
- applied document reference to associate a document with the action method.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#1=VERSIONED ACTION REQUEST('var id1', '0001', 'create new part
design', '$');
#2=VERSIONED ACTION REQUEST('var id2', '0001', 'technical improvement',
'description of var id2, 0001');
#3=VERSIONED ACTION REQUEST('var id3', '0002', 'production
requirement', 'description of var id3, 0002');
#4=ACTION REQUEST STATUS ('proposed', #1);
#5=ACTION REQUEST STATUS('issued', #2);
#6=ACTION REQUEST STATUS ('in-work', #3);
#8=ACTION METHOD ('activity method 1', $, 'effects of activity method
1', 'objectives of activity method 1');
#9=ACTION METHOD('technical improvement method 1', $, 'effects of
technical improvement method 1', '$');
#10=ACTION METHOD('technical improvement method 2', $, 'effects of
technical improvement method 2', '$');
#13=ACTION REQUEST SOLUTION(#8, #1);
#14=ACTION REQUEST SOLUTION (#9, #2);
#15=ACTION REQUEST SOLUTION (#10, #2);
#16=APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#100=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', $, (#380, #440));
#220=PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #16, '');
#230=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #16, 'design');
#340=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('assembly definition', #16, '');
#380=PRODUCT('g1', 'gasket', $, (#220));
#390=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', '', #380);
#400=PRODUCT DEFINITION ('gv1', 'design view on gasket', #390, #230);
#440=PRODUCT('s1', 'sleeve assembly', $, (#220));
#450=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', '', #440);
#460=PRODUCT DEFINITION ('sv1', 'design view on sleeve assembly', #450,
#230);
#520=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#460, #350, #340);
#530=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('qul', 'single instance usage',
'gasket usage 1', \#460, \#400, $);
#531=APPLIED ACTION REQUEST ASSIGNMENT(#2, (#450));
#532=APPLIED ACTION REQUEST ASSIGNMENT(#3, (#400));
```

Example 67: exchange file segment for request for work

15.2 Work Order and Work Definition

Requests for work are typically followed by a definition of the engineering activities required to address the issues raised by the work requests. The engineering activity that defines a work order is formally directed in response to a work request.

Every work order consists of a work directive (in response to a work request) and a directed activity that defines the work to be done. This work definition represents the main activity that is directed by, and has to be carried out as part of, a work order.

The main activity describing the work definition related to a work order may be further refined by decomposition into sub-activities. This is described in the section on activity decomposition (see 15.2.2).

15.2.1 Work Order

Requests for work are processed and result in work orders that direct engineering activities to solve the issues raised by the work request. A work order may address one or multiple work requests.

The work order describes how a particular request for work is addressed and, if authorized, incorporated through appropriate activities during the engineering release or change process. Every work order consists of a work directive (directed in response to a specific work request) and a definition of the work to be done. This work definition represents the main activity defining the work to be completed under a work order, together with a reference to the activity method that identifies the procedure describing how it is to be carried out.

An activity may be associated with status information describing its level of completion. The identification of the items that are the input or the result of an engineering activity that is controlled by a work order is also supported by the STEP PDM Schema.

In addition, person, organization and date and time related information as well as approval information can be attached to an activity.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements to represent work order information are illustrated in Diagram 68 below. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding is given in Example 68.

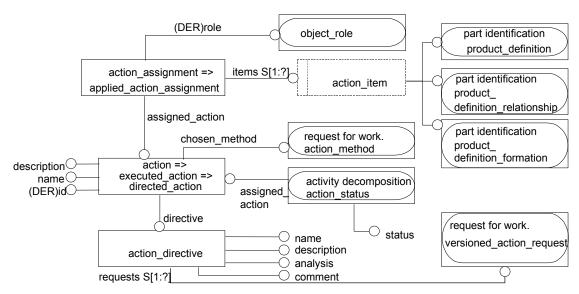


Diagram 68: Work order Instance Diagram

15.2.1.1 action_directive

The action_directive entity specifies an authoritative instrument that provides directions to achieve the desired results as specified in some work_request(s). An action_directive is the result of processing one or more versioned_action_requests. It represents the directive for work that must be performed to satisfy the requirements stated by the assessed versioned_action_requests. The work directed by an action_directive is represented by an associated directed_action (see 15.2.1.2). The action_directive together with the directed activity defining the work to be completed represents a work order.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute specifies the identifier used to refer to the action directive.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information about the action directive.
- The *analysis* attribute specifies an informal description of the results of the analysis that was carried out on the elements of the versioned action requests that are addressed by the action directive.
- The *comment* attribute specifies a descriptive label providing some textual commentary.
- The *requests* attribute specifies the work requests that are addressed by the action_directive.

ENTITY action_directive	Attribute Population		Remarks
name	type: label = text		
description	type: text = string		OPTIONAL
analysis	type: text = string		
comment	type: label = text		
requests	type: entity	=	S[1:?]
	versioned action request		

Preprocessor Recommendations: In the context of the work management area, an action_directive shall be referenced by exactly one directed action that defines the work that is directed by the action directive.

The name attribute shall contain a string that, in conjunction with the associated versioned_action_requests, uniquely identifies the action_directive. If an action_directive addresses one particular versioned_action_request, the value of the id attribute of the versioned_action_request may be used to populate the name attribute.

Some types of (release or change) processes in organizations may not involve submission of official work requests. In this case, it is recommended to use the default values for the entities and attributes not supported by the preprocessor as described in the 'General information' section of this usage guide to instantiate the required versioned action request.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: An action directive may be referenced by the following entities:

• directed_action to specify the work that is being directed by the action_directive, and that addresses the requirements specified in the associated versioned_action_requests. It is strongly recommended that an action_directive has exactly one associated directed_action with name 'work definition'.

15.2.1.2 directed_action

The directed_action entity represents the work that is controlled by an action_directive, and defined as part of a work order. This is a definition of work that has either taken place, is taking place, or is expected to take place in the future. The work requests that are addressed and incorporated by the directed_action are specified through association to an action_directive.

A directed_action identifies the action_method that describes the method or procedure chosen to carry out the activity. Reference to an action_method that has been identified as a potential solution to a work request

(see 15.1.1.4) indicates which procedure or potential solution for a work request has been selected by the work order.

A directed_action may have an associated status representing the level of completion of the work. In addition, it may carry additional information needed to characterize the work defined by the work order, e.g., start or end dates, person and organization related information, and approval authorization information.

A directed_action is related via an applied_action_assignment (see 15.2.1.3) to the items that are subject of the work represented by the 'work definition' of a work order. This is used to describe the items (e.g., part or document versions, views, or structural relationships between these), which are either input or result from the release or change defined by the directed action.

It is recommended that exactly one directed_action be used to represent the work being governed by an action_directive. This directed_action may be identified by the name 'work definition', and may be further decomposed into sub-activities represented by executed_actions (see 15.2.2). These sub-activities are related to the work definition (directed_action) through an action_relationship (or a chain of such action_relationships) with name 'decomposition' (see 15.2.2.3). Each sub-activity may have additional information, e.g., start or end dates, person and organization related information, or approvals specifically assigned to it. When many requests are incorporated by one work order using different proposed solutions, the directed_action representing the complete work definition should be decomposed in sub-activities for which the appropriate method is indicated.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute specifies the word or common name used to refer to the action.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information about the action.
- The *chosen_method* attribute specifies the action_method that defines the procedure selected to carry out the action and a description of the results of the action.
- The *directive* attribute specifies the action directive that authorizes and controls the directed action.
- The *id* attribute is derived, and may store the unique identifier for a directed action.

ENTITY directed_action	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = text	may be 'work definition'
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
chosen_method	type: entity = action_method	
directive	type: entity = action_directive	
id	DERIVEd attribute	exactly one id may be associated
	type: identifier = string	via the entity id_attribute

Preprocessor Recommendations: It is recommended that a directed_action always be related to an action directive. The name attribute shall be unique in conjunction with the associated action directive.

If the directed_action representing the 'work definition' is broken down in separate sub-activities (see 15.2.2), it is recommended that this top-level work definition be associated through applied_action_assignment to all input and output items that are defined for the sub-activities.

It is recommended that a directed_action have an associated status, represented by exactly one action_status, which references the directed_action as the assigned action (see 15.2.2.2).

The directed_action entity may have an identifier associated with it through the entity id_attribute and its attribute value attribute.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: A directed action may be referenced by the following entities:

- action_relationship to associate two directed_actions or a directed_action and an executed_action, e.g., to define their decomposition relationship, i.e., one action as part of the other, or to describe their dependencies.
- applied_action_assignment to identify the items that are affected by the directed_action.
- applied_approval_assignment to associate authorization information related to a directed_action. See 13.2 for guidance in creating the approval constructs.
- applied_date_assignment (or applied_date_and_time_assignment) to associate date (and time) information to a directed action. See 13.3.1 for guidance in creating the date and time constructs.
- applied_organization_assignment (or applied_person_and_organization_assignment) to associate organization (and person) information to a directed_action. See 13.1 for guidance in creating the organization and person constructs. A recommended value for the name attribute of the person_and_organization_role is 'requestor'.
- applied contract assignment to identify that the directed action is subject of the assigned contract.

15.2.1.3 applied_action_assignment

The applied_action_assignment entity relates an action to the elements of product data that is affected by the action. The applied_action_assignment entity defines a general mechanism to associate an activity that is part of a work order to the items that are affected by the activity.

The types of items to which an activity may be assigned are defined in the action_item select type. Within the scope of the PDM Schema, items that may be affected by an engineering activity are part and document versions (i.e., product_definition_formations), views on these versions (i.e., product_definitions), or structural relationships between these (i.e., product_definition_relationships). The action_item select type as well supports different views of a version of the product and may also include different product configuration_effectivities. For example, a manufacturing configuration represented by the entity configuration_effectivity supports the manufacturing part view requirement for a relationship between an action (Activity) and a manufactured part.

The applied_action_assignment may have a role associated with it through the entity object_role via a role_association. The role specifies the function that is performed by the affected item in the context of the assigned action. Role information may be used to distinguish between items that are used as input or the ones that are the results from the release or change process.

Attributes

- The *assigned action* specifies the action that is assigned to the affected items.
- The *items* attribute specifies the set of items to which the associated action is assigned, i.e., that are affected by the assigned action.

ENTITY	applied_	Attribute Population	Remarks
action _assignment			
assigned_action		type: entity = action	
role		DERIVEd attribute	OPTIONAL
		type: entity = object_role	
items		type: entity = action_item select	SET[1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: If the applied_action_assignment has a role associated with it through the entity object_role, the name attribute of the object role should use the following values where applicable: 'input' should be used to indicate that the referenced item serves as initial data for the assigned action; 'output' should be used to indicate that the referenced item is a result of the assigned action. If no role is given, it is assumed that the applied_action_assignment identifies items that are the result of carrying out the assigned action (e.g., 'output').

If a directed_action defining the complete work under a work order is further decomposed in sub-activities, then all affected items identified as input or output of the sub-activities should be explicitly associated to the top-level directed action.

Postprocessor Recommendations: If the applied_action_assignment has no role associated with it, it shall be assumed that the items referenced by the applied_action_assignment are the result of carrying out the assigned action.

Related Entities: An applied action assignment may be referenced by the following entities:

• role association to specify an object role defining the role of the assignment.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#1=VERSIONED ACTION REQUEST('var id1', '0001', 'create new part
design', '$');
#2=VERSIONED ACTION REQUEST('var id2', '0001', 'technical improvement',
'description of var id2, 0001');
#4=ACTION REQUEST STATUS('in-work', #1);
#5=ACTION REQUEST STATUS('issued', #2);
#8=ACTION METHOD ('activity method 1', $, 'effects of activity method
1', 'objectives of activity method 1');
#9=ACTION METHOD('technical improvement method 1', $, 'effects of
technical improvement method 1', '$');
#10=ACTION METHOD('technical improvement method 2', $, 'effects of
technical improvement method 2', '$');
#13=ACTION REQUEST SOLUTION (#8, #1);
#14=ACTION REQUEST SOLUTION (#9, #2);
#15=ACTION REQUEST SOLUTION(#10, #2);
#16=APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#100=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY('part', '', (#380, #440, #542));
#220=PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #16, '');
#230=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #16, 'design');
#340=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ('assembly definition', #16, '');
#380=PRODUCT('g1', 'gasket', $, (#220));
#390=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', '', #380);
#400=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('gv1', 'design view on gasket', #390, #230);
#440=PRODUCT('s1', 'sleeve assembly', $, (#220));
#450=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', '', #440);
#460=PRODUCT DEFINITION('sv1', 'design view on sleeve assembly', #450,
#230):
#520=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#460, #350, #340);
#530=NEXT ASSEMBLY USAGE OCCURRENCE ('qul', 'single instance usage',
'gasket usage 1', \#460, \#400, $);
#531=APPLIED ACTION REQUEST ASSIGNMENT(#2, (#450));
#532=APPLIED ACTION REQUEST ASSIGNMENT(#547, (#400));
#547=VERSIONED ACTION REQUEST('var id3', '0002', 'production
requirement', 'description of var id3, 0002');
#533=ACTION DIRECTIVE('wo id1', 'design release', 'results of analysis
of var id1', 'comment 1', (#1));
#534=ACTION DIRECTIVE('wo id2', 'design change', 'results of analysis
of var id2', 'comment 2', (#2));
#535=DIRECTED_ACTION('design', $, #537, #533);
#536=DIRECTED ACTION('work definition', $, #10, #534);
#537=ACTION METHOD('activity method 2', $, 'effects of activity method
2', 'objectives of activity method 2');
```

```
#538=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('B', '', #440);
#539=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('new_part_v1', 'design view on new part', #543,
#230);
#540=APPLIED_ACTION_ASSIGNMENT(#535, (#539));
#541=APPLIED_ACTION_ASSIGNMENT(#536, (#538));
#542=PRODUCT('new_part_id', 'new part name', $, (#220));
#543=PRODUCT_DEFINITION_FORMATION('A', '', #542);
#544=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('sv2', 'design view on sleeve assembly', #538,
#230);
#545=OBJECT_ROLE('output', $);
#546=ROLE ASSOCIATION(#545, #540);
```

Example 68: exchange file segment for work order

15.2.2 Activity decomposition

The work being directed as part of a work order (the 'work definition') may be further decomposed into sub-activities. These sub-activities are related to the directed_action through an action_relationship (or a chain of such action_relationships) with name 'decomposition'.

When many requests using different solutions are incorporated by a single work order, the directed_action representing the complete work definition should be decomposed in sub-activities for which each appropriate method is indicated.

The items that are affected by a specific sub-activity, e.g., as input or output, may be identified. If the directed_action representing the 'work definition' is broken down in separate sub-activities, it is recommended that this top level work definition be associated through applied_action_assignment to all input and output items that are affected by the sub-activities.

Status information specifying the level of completion of each activity may be specified. Additional administrative information such as persons, organizations, and date and time related information as well as approval information can also be attached to these activities.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements to represent activity decomposition information are illustrated in Diagram 69 below. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding is given in Example 69.

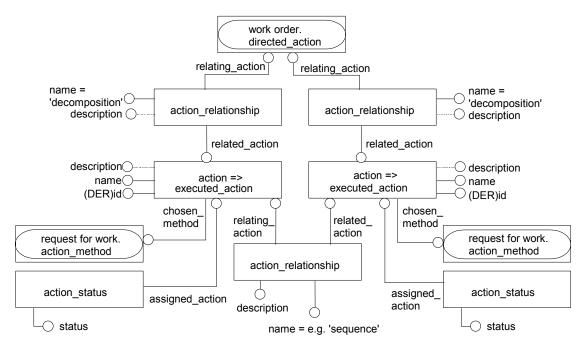


Diagram 69: Activity Decomposition Instance Diagram

15.2.2.1 executed_action

The executed_action entity represents a type of action that has been identified as a task that has to be carried out. The activity may be simply identified, partially completed, or completed. An executed_action may have status information associated with it through **action status** to indicate the level of completeness.

An executed_action refers to an associated action_method that describes the procedure selected to carry out the activity and a description of the results. An executed_action is related to the items that it affects through the applied_action_assignment entity. This is used to identify the inputs and outputs (i.e., results) of the executed action.

An executed_action may be related directly to a work order as a decomposition of the work definition (directed_action). When work order decomposition is a requirement, the executed_action is then indirectly related (via the directed_action reference from an action_directive) to the work requests that are addressed by the described activity. By reference to an action_method that is identified as a potential solution to the addressed work_request(s), the executed_action indicates which specific procedure or potential solution for a work request it has adopted.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute specifies the word or common name used to refer to the action.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information about the action.
- The *chosen_method* attribute specifies the action_method that defines the procedure selected to carry out the **action** and a description of the results of the action.
- The *id* attribute is derived, and may store the unique identifier for an executed_action.

ENTITY executed_action	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = text	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
chosen_method	type: entity = action_method	
id	DERIVEd attribute	exactly one id may be associated
	type: identifier = string	via the entity id attribute

Preprocessor Recommendations: Preprocessor Recommendations: An executed_action that is not of its subtype directed_action may be identified as sub-activity in the activity decomposition structure of a directed_action that represents the 'work definition' for a work order. In other words, an executed_action may be referenced as the related_action in an action_relationship with name 'decomposition' that has a relating_action (potentially through a chain of intermediate action_relationships), which is a directed action.

It is recommended that an executed_action have an associated status to describe its level of completion, represented by exactly one action_status which references the executed_action as the assigned_action (see 15.2.2.2).

The executed_action entity may have an identifier associated with it through the entity id_attribute and its attribute value attribute.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: An executed action may be referenced by the following entities:

- action_relationship to associate a directed_action and an executed_action or two executed_actions,
 e.g., to define their decomposition relationship, i.e., one action as part of the other, or to describe their
 dependencies.
- applied action assignment to identify the items that are affected by the executed action.
- applied_approval_assignment to associate approval information related to an executed_action. See 13.2 for guidance in creating the approval constructs.
- applied_date_assignment (or applied_date_and_time_assignment) to associate date (and time) information to an executed_action. See 13.3.1 for guidance in creating the date and time constructs.
- applied_ organization_assignment (or applied_person_and_organization_assignment) to associate organization (and person) information to an executed_action. See 13.1 for guidance in creating the organization and person constructs. A recommended value for the name attribute of the person_and_organization_role is 'requestor'.
- applied contract assignment to identify that an executed action is subject of the assigned contract.
- applied document reference to associate a document with the action method.

15.2.2.2 action status

The action_status entity represents the association of a status with an executed_action (or its subtype directed action) to specify its level of completion.

Attributes

- The *status* attribute specifies the level of completion of the associated executed_action or directed action.
- The *assigned action* attribute specifies the **executed action** the status is specified for.

ENTITY action_status	Attribute Population	Remarks
status	type: label = text	
assigned_action	type: entity = executed_action	

Preprocessor Recommendations: An executed_action shall have at most one associated action_status, which references the executed_action as the assigned_action.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

15.2.2.3 action_relationship

An action_relationship establishes a relationship between two activities represented by directed_action or executed_action instances. The meaning of the action_relationship is given by its name attribute. An action_relationship is used to define an activity as sub-activity, i.e., as part of the decomposition of some higher-level activity. The action_relationship may also be used to express some dependency such as sequential relationship in time, between two activity objects.

In the context of work management, all defined activities are related either directly or indirectly to a work order. Definition of the complete work to be done, represented by a directed_action, is directly related to a work order. An executed_action defining a sub-activity of the complete work definition is indirectly related to the work order, i.e., related to that directed_action through the action_relationship.

If a directed_action or an executed_action is further decomposed into sub-activities, this shall be a complete decomposition of the higher level activity, i.e., all sub-activities belonging to the same decomposition level together shall completely define the activity on the next higher level.

If the executed_actions defined as sub-activities of a directed_action contain references to items that are either input or output, then these items shall also be explicitly related to the top-level directed action.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute specifies the meaning of the relationship.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information text that characterizes the action_relationship.
- The *relating_action* specifies the first action, which is related by the action_relationship. The *relating_action* usually identifies the activity the definition of the related_action is based on, e.g., derived from or dependent on. The semantics of this attribute should be defined by the name attribute.
- The *related_action* specifies the second action related by the action_relationship. The related_action usually identifies the action, which is based on the definition of the relating_action. The semantics of this attribute should be defined by the name attribute.

ENTITY action_relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
relating_action	type: entity = action	
related_action	type: entity = action	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute is used to specify the type of the action_relationship. The value 'decomposition' for the name attribute should be used to indicate that the related_action is one of potentially more components into which the relating_action is broken down. Where applicable, the following additional values may be used: 'derivation' to indicate that the related_action is derived from the relating_action; 'precedence' to indicate that the related_action has higher priority than the relating_action; 'sequence' to indicate that the relating_action shall be completed before the related_action starts.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#2=VERSIONED_ACTION_REQUEST('var id2', '0001', 'technical improvement',
'description of var id2, 0001');
#5=ACTION_REQUEST_STATUS('issued', #2);
#9=ACTION_METHOD('technical improvement method 1', $, 'effects of
technical improvement method 1', '$');
```

```
#10=ACTION METHOD('technical improvement method 2', $, 'effects of
technical improvement method 2', '$');
#14=ACTION_REQUEST_SOLUTION(#9, #2);
#15=ACTION_REQUEST_SOLUTION(#10, #2);
#16=APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#100=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('part', '', (#440));
#220=PRODUCT_CONTEXT('', #16, '');
#230=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #16, 'design');
#340=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('assembly definition', #16, '');
#440=PRODUCT('s1', 'sleeve assembly', $, (#220));
#450=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', '', #440);
#460=PRODUCT DEFINITION ('sv1', 'design view on sleeve assembly', #450,
#520=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#460, #350, #340);
#531=APPLIED ACTION REQUEST ASSIGNMENT(#2, (#450));
#534=ACTION DIRECTIVE ('wo id2', 'design change', 'results of analysis
of var id2', 'comment 2', (#2));
#536=DIRECTED ACTION('design change', $, #10, #534);
#537=ACTION METHOD('activity method 1', $, 'effects of activity method
1', 'objectives of activity method 1');
#538=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('B', '', #440);
#539=PRODUCT_DEFINITION('sv3', 'analysis view on sleeve assembly',
#538, #230);
#541=APPLIED ACTION ASSIGNMENT(#536, (#538, #539, #561));
#548=EXECUTED ACTION('define requirements', $, #537);
#549=EXECUTED ACTION('detailed design', $, #551);
#550=EXECUTED ACTION('analysis and simulation', $, #552);
#551=ACTION METHOD('activity method 2', $, 'effects of activity method
2', 'objectives of activity method 2');
#552=ACTION METHOD('activity method 3', $, 'effects of activity method
3', 'objectives of activity method 3');
#553=ACTION RELATIONSHIP ('decomposition', $, #536, #548);
#554=ACTION RELATIONSHIP ('decomposition', $, #536, #549);
#555=ACTION RELATIONSHIP ('decomposition', $, #536, #550);
#556=ACTION RELATIONSHIP('sequence', $, #548, #549);
#557=ACTION RELATIONSHIP ('sequence', $, #549, #550);
#558=ACTION STATUS ('completed', #548);
#559=ACTION STATUS ('completed', #549);
#560=ACTION STATUS('in-work', #536);
#561=PRODUCT DEFINITION('sv2', 'design view on sleeve assembly', #538,
#562=APPLIED ACTION ASSIGNMENT(#549, (#561));
#563=APPLIED ACTION ASSIGNMENT(#550, (#539));
#564=ACTION STATUS('in-work', #550);
```

Example 69: exchange file segment for activity decomposition

15.3 Project Identification

The project identification area contains the constructs to represent projects, i.e., programs of work for which one or more organizations are responsible, and relationships between projects. Events may be defined to specify when a project is planned to or actually starts and/or ends. Projects may be related to the product concept(s) that are affected by the work carried out within the project

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements to represent project identification information are illustrated in Diagram 70 below. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding is given in Example 70.

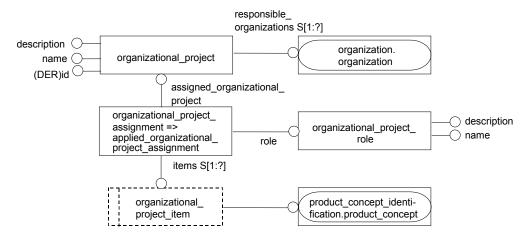


Diagram 70: Project Identification Instance Diagram

15.3.1.1 organizational_project

An organizational_project is an identified program of work for which one or more organizations are responsible.

Attributes

- The name attribute specifies the word or common name used to refer to the organizational project.
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information about the organizational project.
- The *responsible organization* attribute specifies the organizations that are responsible for the project.

ENTITY organizational_project	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = text	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
responsible_organization	type: entity = organization	S[1:?]
id	DERIVEd attribute	exactly one id may be associated
	type: identifier = string	via the entity id_attribute

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: An organizational project may be referenced by the following entities:

- organizational_project_relationship to associate two organizational_projects, e.g., to define their hierarchical relationships or to describe their dependencies.
- applied_organizational_project_assignment to associate the assigned organizational_project to the product concepts that are affected by the work carried out within the project.
- applied_event_occurrence_assignment to attach event information to organizational_projects. See 13.3.2 for guidance in creating the event_occurrence constructs. Where applicable, the following values for the name attribute of the event_occurrence_role are recommended: 'planned start', 'planned end'.

15.3.1.2 applied_organizational_project_assignment

The applied_organizational_project_assignment entity defines a mechanism to associate an organizational_project to some product data. In the PDM Schema, an organizational_project may be assigned to a product_concept, indicating the product_concept is affected by the work carried out within the assigned organizational_project.

Attributes

- The *assigned_organizational_project* specifies the organizational_project, which is assigned to some product data.
- The *role* identifies the organizational_project_role that specifies the purpose of the association of the **organizational project assignment** with product data.
- The *items* attribute specifies the product data to which the organizational_project is assigned.

ENTITY applied_organizational project assignmen	Attribute Population	Remarks
assigned_organizational_project	type: entity = organizational project	
role	type: entity = organizational project_role	
items	type: entity = organizational project_item select	SET[1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: The organizational_project may only be assigned to the product_concepts that are affected by the work carried out within the project. The name attribute of the associated organizational project role is therefore recommended to be 'affecting project'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

15.3.1.3 organizational project role

An organizational_project_role defines a role for an organizational_project_assignment and a description of that role to characterize the nature of the assignment.

Attributes

- The name attribute specifies the word or common name used to refer to the organizational_project_role
- The *description* attribute specifies additional information about the organizational_project_role.

ENTITY project role	organizational	Attribute Population	Remarks
name		type: label = text	
description		type: text = string	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: An organizational_project may only be assigned to product_concepts that are affected by the work carried out within the project. The name attribute of the associated organizational_project_role is therefore recommended to be 'affecting project'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: An organizational_project_role may be referenced by the following entities:

• applied_organizational_project_assignment to specify the assignment for which the organizational_project_role defines a role. The organizational_project_role shall be referenced by at least one applied organizational project assignment.

15.3.1.4 organizational_project_relationship

An organizational_project_relationship is a relationship between two organizational_projects. The meaning of the organizational_project_relationship is given by its name attribute. An organizational_project_relationship may be used to define an organizational_project as part of some higher-level organizational_project, or to express some dependency such as sequential relationship between two organizational_project objects.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute specifies the meaning of the relationship.
- The description attribute specifies additional information text that characterizes the organizational_project relationship.
- The *relating_organizational_project* specifies the first organizational_project, which is related by the organizational_project_relationship. The relating_organizational_project usually identifies the project the definition of the related_organizational_project is based on, e.g., derived from or dependent on. The semantics of this attribute should be defined by the name attribute.
- The *related_organizational_project* specifies the second organizational_project related by the organizational_project_relationship. The related_organizational_project usually identifies the organizational_project, which is based on the definition of the relating_organizational_project. The semantics of this attribute should be defined by the name attribute.

ENTITY organizational project_relationship	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = string	
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL
relating_organizational_project	type: entity = organizational	
	project	
related_organizational_project	type: entity = organizational	
	project	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute is used to specify the type of the organizational_project_relationship. Where applicable, the following values should be used:

- 'decomposition' to indicate that the related_organizational_project is a sub-project in a hierarchical breakdown of the relating organizational project;
- 'dependency' to indicate that the related_organizational_project is dependent upon the relating_organizational_project; 'sequence' to indicate that the relating_organizational_project must be completed before the related_organizational_project starts;
- 'succession' to indicate that the relating_organizational_project is the successor of the relating_organizational_project.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#1=ORGANIZATION('organization_id', 'organization_name', $);
#2=ORGANIZATIONAL_PROJECT('project_name', 'project_description', (#1));
#4=ORGANIZATIONAL_PROJECT_ROLE('affecting project', $);
#5=PRODUCT_CONCEPT('product_concept_id', 'product_concept_name', $,
#7);
#6=APPLIED ORGANIZATIONAL PROJECT ASSIGNMENT(#2, #4, (#5));
```

```
#7=PRODUCT_CONCEPT_CONTEXT('pcc_name1', #8, '');
#8=APPLICATION CONTEXT('');
```

Example 70: exchange file segment for project identification

15.3.2 Assignment of activities to projects

To specify the activities which are carried out within a project, the PDM schema uses an instance of applied_organizational_project_assignment that relates an organizational_project with a set of instances of executed action which each represent activities of the project.

15.3.2.1 applied_organizational_project_assignment

The applied_organizational_project_assignment entity defines a mechanism to associate activities to an organizational_project.

Attributes

- The *assigned_organizational_project* specifies the organizational_project, to which the activities are assigned
- The *role* identifies the organizational_project_role that specifies the purpose of the association of the organizational_project_assignment. In the given context the role attribute should reference an instance of organizational project role named 'work program'.
- The *items* attribute specifies the activity objects which are assigned to the organizational project.

ENTITY applied_	Attribute Population	Remarks
organizational_project_		
assignment		
assigned_organizational_project	type: entity = organizational	
	project	
role	type: entity = organizational	
	project_role	
items	type: entity = organizational	SET[1:?] of executed action in
	project_item select	the given context

Preprocessor Recommendations: The name attribute of the associated organizational_project_role is therefore recommended to be 'work program'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: In the PDM Schema an organizational_project may also be assigned to product_concepts that are affected by the work carried out within the project. The name attribute of the associated organizational_project_role is then recommended to be 'affecting project'.

Applied_organizational_project_assignment can associate a set of activities to an instance of organizational_project. If it is requirement to define an order in such a set, e.g., a sequence of activities, it is recommended to use the entity action_relationship with a corresponding value for its name attribute to indicate the nature of the ordering. Typically, 'sequence' will be used.

15.3.2.2 organizational_project_role

An organizational_project_role defines a role for an organizational_project_assignment and a description of that role to characterize the nature of the assignment.

Attributes

• The *name* attribute specifies the word or common name used to refer to the organizational_project_role. In the context of assigning activities to projects the name is recommended to be 'work program'.

• The *description* attribute specifies additional information about the organizational_project_role. The population of this attribute is optional.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
organizational_project_role		
name	type: label = text	Should be 'work program' in
		given context.
description	type: text = string	OPTIONAL

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: An organizational_project_role may be referenced by the following entities:

• applied_organizational_project_assignment to specify the assignment the organizational_project_role defines a role for. The organizational_project_role shall be referenced by at least one applied_organizational_project_assignment.

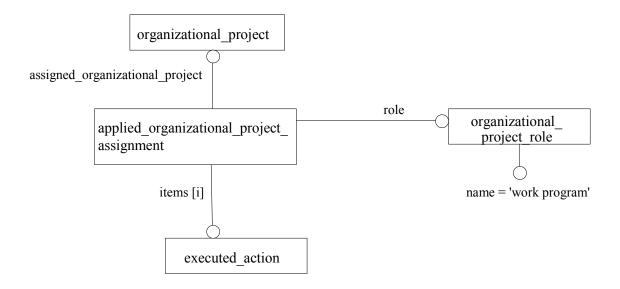


Diagram 71: Activities of a Project Instance Diagram

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#10=ORGANIZATION('org1','my organization',$);
#20=ORGANIZATIONAL_PROJECT('project_name',$,(#10));
#30=ORGANIZATIONAL_PROJECT_ROLE('work program',$);
#40=EXECUTED_ACTION('activity #1',$,#70);
#50=EXECUTED_ACTION('activity #2','another activity',#80);
#60=APPLIED_ORGANIZATIONAL_PROJECT_ASSIGNMENT(#20,#30,(#40,#50));
#70=ACTION_METHOD('method
#1',$,'consequence of this_method','purpose_of_this_method');
```

```
#80=ACTION_METHOD('action_method #2',
'an_optional_description','consequence_of_this_method',
'purpose_of_this_method');
```

15.3.3 Start and end date and time of projects

Projects may be further characterized by start and end dates. Start and end dates may be either planned dates or actual dates. The PDM schema supports this requirement.

15.3.3.1 date and time

This entity specifies time on a particular day.

Attributes

- The *date component* attribute specifies the date element.
- The *time component* attribute specifies the time element.

ENTITY date_and_time	Attribute Population	Remarks
date_component	type: entity = date	In the PDM Schema, it points to an
		instance of calendar_date.
time_component	type: entity = local_time	

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

15.3.3.2 applied_date_assignment

This entity allows for association of a date with an organizational_project. An instance of date_role specifies the role in which the date is associated to the project. Possible roles are 'actual start', 'actual end', 'planned start', and 'planned end'.

Attributes

- The *assigned date* attribute specifies the date to be assigned to the project.
- The *role* attribute specifies the purpose of the assignment, i.e., the project characteristic that is defined by the date.
- The *items* attribute references the projects to which the date is being assigned.

ENTITY applied date assignment	Attribute Population	Remarks
assigned_date	type: entity = date	In the PDM Schema, it points to an instance of calendar_date.
role	type: entity = date_role	
items	type: date_item = SELECT	SET [1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

15.3.3.3 date role

This entity specifies a role for an applied_date_assignment. Roles in the context of an assignment of a date to a project are: 'actual start', 'actual end', 'planned start', and 'planned end'.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute defines a label by which the date_role is known. This label characterizes the associated date in respect to the project.
- The *description* attribute specifies text that characterizes the date_role.

ENTITY date_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label	a string value, in the given context should be one of 'actual start', 'actual end', 'planned start', and 'planned end'
		planned end
description	type: text	DERIVED

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

15.3.3.4 applied_date_and_time_assignment

This entity allows for association of date and time with a project. An instance of date_time_role specifies the role in which the date_and_time is associated to the project. Possible roles are 'actual start', 'actual end', 'planned start', and 'planned end'.

Attributes

- The assigned date and time attribute specifies the date and time to be assigned the project.
- The *role* attribute specifies the purpose of the assignment of the date_and_time to the project.
- The *items* attribute is a reference to the set of projects to which the date and time is being assigned.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
applied_date_assignment		
assigned_date_and_time	type: entity = date_and_time	Points to an instance of date_andtime.
role	type: entity = date_time_role	
items	type: date_item = SELECT	SET [1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

15.3.3.5 date_time_role

This entity specifies a role for an applied date and time assignment.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute defines a label by which the date_role is known.
- The *description* attribute specifies text that characterizes the date_role.

ENTITY date_role	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label	a string value
description	type: text	DERIVED

Preprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific preprocessor recommendations.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: There are no specific related entities.

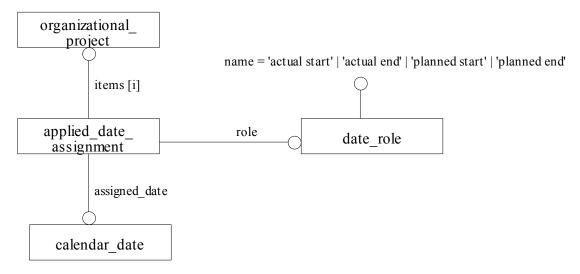


Diagram 72: Approval Scope Instance Diagram

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#10=ORGANIZATION('org1','organisation 1',$);
#20=ORGANIZATIONAL_PROJECT('project_name',$,(#10));
#30=CALENDAR_DATE(2001,15,9);
#40=DATE_ROLE('planned start');
#50=APPLIED_DATE_ASSIGNMENT(#30,#40,(#20));
#60=COORDINATED_UNIVERSAL_TIME_OFFSET(1,$,.AHEAD.);
#70=LOCAL_TIME(12,$,$,#60);
#90=DATE_TIME_ROLE('actual start');
#100=DATE_AND_TIME(#30,#70);
#110=APPLIED_DATE_AND_TIME_ASSIGNMENT(#100,#90,(#20));
```

15.4 Contract Identification

In the STEP PDM Schema, a contract is a binding agreement concerning the design of part versions or the execution of engineering activities. Relationships between contracts may be specified, and the items that are subject of that contract may be associated to it. Additional administrative information such as organization and approval information may also be attached to contracts.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes essential to support the requirements to represent contract identification information are illustrated in Diagram 73 below. The corresponding STEP exchange file encoding is given in Example 71.

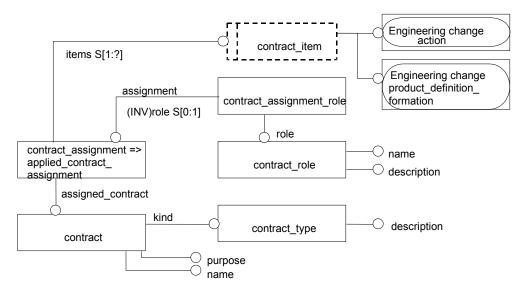


Diagram 73: Contract Identification Instance Diagram

15.4.1.1 contract

The contract entity represents a binding agreement concerning the design of part version, or the execution of engineering activities.

Attributes

- The *name* attribute specifies the word or common name used to identify or refer to the contract.
- The *purpose* attribute is an informal description of the reason for the contract.
- The *kind* attribute specifies the kind of information that a contract conveys.

ENTITY contract	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = text	
purpose	type: label = text	
kind	type: entity = contract type	

Preprocessor Recommendations: The mandatory name attribute should contain a string that, in conjunction with the associated contract type, uniquely identifies the contract.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: A contract may be referenced by the following entities:

- applied contract assignment to identify the items that are subject of the contract.
- applied_approval_assignment to associate approval information related to a contract. See 13.2 for guidance in creating the approval constructs.
- applied_ organization_assignment to associate organization information to a contract. When assigning organizational info to a contract, the role name of corresponding applied_organization_assignment should be 'organization in contract'. See 13.1 for guidance in creating the organization constructs.

15.4.1.2 contract type

A contract_type is the kind of information that an instance of contract conveys.

Attributes

• The *description* attribute specifies a descriptive label characterizing the type of contract.

ENTITY contract_type	Attribute Population	Remarks
description	type: label = string	

Preprocessor Recommendations: In AP214 the description attribute id used to transfer information on the ordered price of the contracted items.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: A contract type may be referenced by the following entities:

• contract to identify the contracts that are of that type. A contract_type shall be referenced by at least one contract

15.4.1.3 applied_contract_assignment

The entity applied_contract_assignment defines a mechanism to associate a contract to the items that are subject of that contract. In the STEP PDM Schema, the binding agreement represented by a contract may be assigned to the design of a part version or to engineering activities that represent the complete work definition of a work order.

The applied_contract_assignment entity may have a role associated with it through the entity object_role. If a role is associated, the action_contract_assignment is referenced as the item_with_role by a role_association where the role is stored in the name attribute of the object_role associated as role.

Attributes

- The *assigned_contract* specifies the contract, which defines a binding agreement with respect to some product data.
- The *items* attribute specifies the items that are subject of the assigned contract.

ENTITY	Attribute Population	Remarks
applied_contract_assignment		
assigned_contract	type: entity = contract	
role	DERIVEd attribute	OPTIONAL
	type: entity = object_role	
items	type: entity = contract_item select	SET[1:?]

Preprocessor Recommendations: A contract may only be assigned to the part versions (product_definition_formation entities) and engineering activities (directed_action entities) that are subject to the contract. It is recommended to instantiate one object_role associated with the applied_contract_assignment with a name attribute that has the value 'contracted element'.

Postprocessor Recommendations: There are no specific postprocessor recommendations.

Related Entities: An applied contract assignment may be referenced by the following entities:

• role_association to specify a object_role defining the purpose of the association of the contract with product data.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
#2=VERSIONED_ACTION_REQUEST('var id2', '0001', 'technical improvement',
'description of var id2, 0001');
#5=ACTION_REQUEST_STATUS('issued', #2);
#9=ACTION_METHOD('technical improvement method 1', $, 'effects of technical improvement method 1', '$');
```

```
#10=ACTION METHOD('technical improvement method 2', $, 'effects of
technical improvement method 2', '$');
#14=ACTION_REQUEST_SOLUTION(#9, #2);
#15=ACTION_REQUEST_SOLUTION(#10, #2);
#16=APPLICATION CONTEXT('mechanical design');
#100=PRODUCT RELATED PRODUCT CATEGORY ('part', '', (#440));
#220=PRODUCT CONTEXT('', #16, '');
#230=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('part definition', #16, 'design');
#340=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ROLE('part definition type', $);
#350=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT('assembly definition', #16, '');
#440=PRODUCT('s1', 'sleeve assembly', $, (#220));
#450=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('A', '', #440);
#460=PRODUCT DEFINITION ('sv1', 'design view on sleeve assembly', #450,
#520=PRODUCT DEFINITION CONTEXT ASSOCIATION(#460, #350, #340);
#531=APPLIED ACTION REQUEST ASSIGNMENT(#2, (#450));
#534=ACTION DIRECTIVE ('wo id2', 'design change', 'results of analysis
of var id2', 'comment 2', (#2));
#536=DIRECTED ACTION('design change', $, #10, #534);
#538=PRODUCT DEFINITION FORMATION('B', '', #440);
#541=APPLIED ACTION ASSIGNMENT(#536, (#538));
#544=CONTRACT('contract name', 'purpose of contract', #545);
#545=CONTRACT TYPE ('description of contract type');
#546=APPLIED CONTRACT ASSIGNMENT (#544, (#536, #538));
#547=OBJECT ROLE('contracted element', $);
#548=ROLE ASSOCIATION(#547, #546);
```

Example 71: exchange file segment for contract identification

16 Measure and units

A measure with unit is the specification of a physical quantity as defined in ISO31 (clause 2). The PDM Schema allows specifying different measure with units used for, e.g., a property definition or quantity of an assembly relationship. A measure with unit is characterized by two components, a value specifying the quantity and a unit in which the value is expressed.

The PDM Schema supports the application of:

- simple units including predefined SI units according to ISO1000 (clause 2);
- converted units which are derived from another unit by a conversion factor;
- derived units which are defined by an expression of units;
- user defined units which are dependent on a specific context and which are not related to the system of units within the PDM Schema.

16.1 Measure with unit specification

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of measure with unit are shown in Diagram 74.

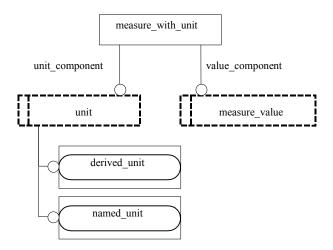


Diagram 75: Measure with Unit Entity and Attributes

16.1.1.1 measure with unit

A measure_with_unit is the specification of a physical quantity as defined in ISO31 (clause 2). It may be of subtype measure_representation_item if it is used in the context of properties associated with product data, e.g., to represent the value and unit of a property or it may be of subtype uncertainty_measure_with_unit.

A measure_with_unit may be typed by one of the following predefined subtypes depending on the used unit definition (16.2), if it does not represent a derived unit (16.2.3):

```
SUPERTYPE OF (ONE OF (length_measure_with_unit, mass_measure_with_unit, time_measure_with_unit, electric_current_measure_with_unit, thermodynamic temperature measure with unit, amount of substance measure with unit,
```

luminous_intensity_measure_with_unit, plane_angle_measure_with_unit, solid_angle_measure_with_unit, area_measure_with_unit, volume_measure_with_unit, ratio_measure_with_unit));

Attributes

- The *unit component* attribute provides the unit in which the physical quantity is expressed.
- The *value_component* attribute provides the value of the physical quantity if expressed with respect to the unit component.

ENTITY measure with unit	Attribute Population	Remarks
unit_component	type: unit = named_unit,	references associated unit
	derived_unit	component
value_component	type: measure_value = length	references associated value
	measure, mass_measure, time	component;
	measure, electric_current	
	measure, thermodynamic_temp-	
	erature_measure, amount_of_sub-	-
	stance_measure, luminous	type of measure_with_unit
	intensity_measure, plane_angle	
	measure, solid_angle_measure,	
	area_measure, volume_measure,	
	ratio_measure, parameter_value,	
	numeric_measure, context	
	dependent_measure, descriptive	
	measure, positive_length	
	measure, positive_plane_angle	
	measure, positive_ratio_measure,	
	count_measure,	
	celsius_temperature_measure	

Preprocessor Recommendations:

It is recommended to use one of the predefined subtypes to precise measure_with_unit if it does not represent a derived_unit and if it is applicable. The type of measure_value is constrained by the respective subtype of measure_with_unit, e.g., mass_measure is required if mass_measure_with_unit is applied.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: A measure_with_unit may be referenced by the following entities:

- conversion_based_unit as the *conversion factor* that specifies the physical quantity from which the conversion based unit is derived,
- lot_effectivity for the specification of the *effectivity lot size*, i.e., the size of the batch of items,
- make_from_usage_option for the specification of the amount of the relating_product_definition that can be made from the related_product_definition,
- quantified_assembly_component_usage for the specification of a measure that defines how many or how much of the constituent is used in the assembly.

16.2 Unit definition

16.2.1 Simple and predefined units

A simple unit is a named unit where the type of unit is defined only implicitly by the selected type of measure_value for value_component (table in 16.1.1.1) and not explicitly by using any predefined subtype of named unit. Examples are count measure like "each".

A predefined unit is a named unit where the unit type is defined by using a predefined subtype of named_unit. Examples are length_unit or mass_unit. A special type of a predefined unit is an SI unit based on the specifications of ISO1000 (clause 2).

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of named unit are shown in Diagram 76.

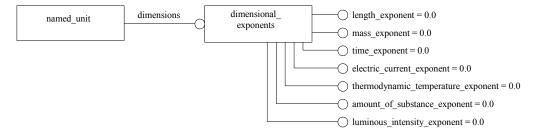


Diagram 76: Named Unit Instance Diagram

An instantiation example is shown in Diagram 77 representing a predefined length unit "millimeter".

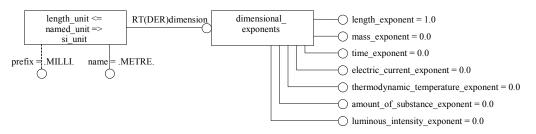


Diagram 77: SI Unit Instance Diagram

16.2.1.1 named unit

A named_unit is a unit quantity. A named_unit may be of subtype si_unit (16.2.1.3), conversion_based_unit (16.2.2.1) or context_dependent_unit (16.2.4.1).

A named unit may be typed (also) by one of the following predefined subtypes:

SUPERTYPE OF (ONEOF(si_unit, conversion_based_unit, context_dependent_unit) ANDOR ONEOF (length_unit, mass_unit, time_unit, electric_current_unit, thermodynamic_temperature_unit, amount_of_substance_unit, luminous_intensity_unit, plane_angle_unit, solid_angle_unit, area_unit, volume unit, ratio unit))

The attribute dimensions specifies the powers of the dimensions of seven base quantities via dimensional_exponents (16.2.1.2). If named_unit is of subtype si_unit, there is a rule specifying how to instantiate the dimensional_exponents attributes referenced via the derived dimensions attribute of si_unit.

Attributes

• The *dimensions* attribute provides the dimensional_exponents of the base properties by which the named unit is defined.

ENTITY named_unit	Attribu	ite Populatio	on	Remarks		
dimensions	type:	entity =	dimensional	references	associated	dimen-
	expone	ents		sional expo	nents	

Preprocessor Recommendations: In the case of a simple unit the predefined subtypes (length_measure, mass measure, etc.) are not applicable. Therefore named unit is instantiated by its self.

In all other cases (wherever applicable) it is recommended to use one of the predefined subtypes to precise a named_unit. It should be done via a complex instance with one of the other subtypes of named_unit (context_dependent_unit, conversion_based_unit or si_unit). It is recommended to not use a predefined subtype by its self without combining it with context_dependent_unit, conversion_based_unit or si_unit.

The complex instance is also recommended for si_unit (even though a predefined si_unit should be of common understanding world wide) to be compatible as it has always been implemented, but with the exceptions of area unit and volume unit (see 16.2.1.3).

The predefined subtypes of named_unit are constraint by respective subtypes of measure_with_unit, e.g., mass unit is required, if mass measure with unit is applied.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: A named_unit may be referenced by the following entities:

- measure_with _unit as the *unit component* that provides the unit in which the physical quantity is expressed.
- derived_unit_element as the *unit* specifying the mathematical factor of the element.

16.2.1.2 dimensional_exponents

The dimensional_exponents entity defines the powers of the dimensions of the seven base quantities.

Attributes

- The *length exponent* attribute provides the power of the length base quantity.
- The *mass_exponent* attribute provides the power of the mass base quantity.
- The *time_exponent* attribute provides the power of the time base quantity.
- The *electric_current_exponent* attribute provides the power of the electric current base quantity.
- The *amount_of_substance_exponent* attribute provides the power of the amount of substance base quantity.
- The *luminous intensity exponent* attribute provides the power of luminous intensity base quantity.
- The *thermodynamic_temperature_exponent* attribute provides the power of the thermodynamic temperature base quantity.

ENTITY dimensional_exponents	Attribute Population	Remarks
length_exponent	type: REAL	
mass_exponent	type: REAL	
time_exponent	type: REAL	
electric_current_exponent	type: REAL	
amount_of_substance_exponent	type: REAL	
luminous_intensity_exponent	type: REAL	
thermodynamic_temperature	type: REAL	
exponent		

Preprocessor Recommendations:

The values of the single attributes of dimension are constraint by where clauses and function in PDM Schema dependent on the selected subtype of named_unit.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

16.2.1.3 si_unit

An si_unit is a subtype of named_unit that defines a unit with respect to the system of units defined in this schema. The system of units is based on the specifications of ISO1000 (clause 2) but differs from them for the unit of mass.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of SI unit are shown in Diagram 78.

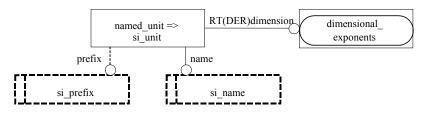


Diagram 78: SI Unit Entities and Attributes

Attributes

- The *dimensions* attribute provides the dimensional exponents for the si unit (see 16.2.1.2)
- The *name* attribute provides the name of an SI unit. The definitions of names of SI units are specified in ISO1000 (clause 2)
- The *prefix* attribute provides the name of a prefix that may be associated with an si_unit. The definitions of SI prefixes are specified in ISO1000 (clause 3).

ENTITY si_unit	Attribute Population	Remarks
dimensions	type: entity = dimensional	retransmitted, DERIVED
	exponents	reference to the associated dimen-
		sional_exponents
name	type: si_unit_name = (metre,	the name attribute indicates the
	gram, second, ampere, kelvin,	name of the represented si_unit
	mole, candela, radian, steradian,	
	hertz, newton, pascal, joule, watt,	
	coulomb, volt, farad, ohm,	
	siemens, weber, tesla, henry,	
	degree_celsius, lumen, lux,	
	becquerel, gray, sievert);	
prefix	type: si_prefix = (exa, peta, tera,	OPTIONAL
	giga, mega, kilo, hecto, deca,	
	deci, centi, milli, micro, nano,	
	pico, femto, atto)	

Preprocessor Recommendations: A complex instance with one of the predefined subtypes of named_unit is recommended for si_unit (even though si_unit should be of common understanding world wide) to be compatible as it has always been implemented (see examples in Example 71). However, area_unit and volume unit are not allowed in combination with si_unit.

It is recommended to not use any prefix if si_unit is referenced by conversion_based_-unit.conversion_factor (via measure_with_unit.unit_component) to simplify the calculation of the conversion by using only a basic SI unit.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

16.2.2 Converted units

16.2.2.1 conversion based unit

A conversion_based_unit is a type of named_unit that defines a unit on the basis of a measure_with_unit. The value_component of the measure_with_unit defines the conversion factor. An inch is an example for a conversion based unit.

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of conversion based unit are shown in Diagram 79.

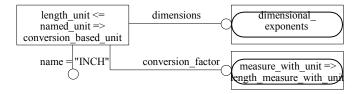


Diagram 79: Conversion Based Unit Instance Diagram

Attributes

- The *dimensions* attribute provides the dimensional_exponents for the conversion_based_unit (see 16.2.1.2).
- The *name* attribute provides the label by which the conversion based unit is known.
- The *conversion_factor* attribute provides the measure with unit that specifies the physical quantity from which the conversion based unit is derived.

ENTITY measure with unit	Attribute Population	Remarks
dimensions	type: entity = dimensional	references to the associated
	exponents	dimensional_exponents
name	type: label = STRING	the name attribute indicates the
		name of the represented conver-
		sion_based_unit
conversion_factor	type: entity_measure_with_unit	references the associated conver-
		sion factor

Preprocessor Recommendations: If applicable a complex instance with one of the predefined subtypes of named unit is recommended for conversion based unit (see examples in Example 71).

If applicable only basic measure with units (e.g., SI units without prefix) should be used for conversion_factor (via measure_with_unit.unit_component). It is recommended to simplify the calculation of the conversion by avoiding chains of conversions.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

16.2.3 Derived units

16.2.3.1 derived unit

A derived_unit is an expression of units. For instance "Newton per square millimeters" is a derived_unit. A derived_unit is also typically used to specify a surface or volume unit as derivation from a length unit like "square meter" derived from "meter".

The predefined subtypes of measure_with_unit are not applicable for a derived_unit, because a derived_unit may be expressed by measure with units of different (sub)types like "Newton per square millimeters".

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of derived unit are shown in Diagram 80.

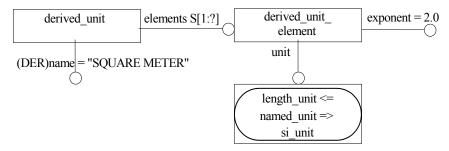


Diagram 80: Derived Unit Instance Diagram

Attributes

- The *name* attribute provides the label by which the derived unit is known.
- The *elements* attribute provides the derived_unit_element objects and their exponents that define the derived_unit.

ENTITY derived_unit	Attribute Population	Remarks
name	type: label = STRING	DERIVED attribute which
		indicates the name of the repre-
		sented derived_unit
elements	type: entity = $S[1:?]$ of derived	references the associated ele-
	unit_element	ments of the unit expression

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

16.2.3.2 derived unit element

A derived_unit_element is the association of a named_unit with an exponent. This entity is used to represent an element of the dimensional expression of a derived_unit. For instance "Newton per square millimeter" is a derived_unit. It has two elements, "Newton" whose exponent has a value of 1.0 and "millimeter" whose exponent is -2.0.

Attributes

- The *unit* attribute provides the named unit that specifies the mathematical factor of the element.
- The *exponent* attribute provides the power that is applied to the unit attribute.

ENTITY derived_unit_element	Attribute Population	Remarks
unit	type: entity = named_unit	references the associated
		named_unit
exponent	type: REAL	identifies the exponent of the
		referenced named_unit

Preprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

16.2.4 User defined units

A user defined unit is a named unit which can neither be described as a simple unit, SI unit, a converted unit nor a derived unit. A user defined unit usually depends on a specific context the unit is used in, e.g., if a physical quantity depends on a global unit specified for the referenced object. The entity context_dependent_unit supports the representation of a user defined unit.

16.2.4.1 context_dependent_unit

A context_dependent_unit is a type of named_unit which is not related to the system of units defined in this standard. It should only be used if neither si_unit, conversion_based_unit, derived_unit nor the predefined subtypes of named_unit are applicable.

A context_dependent_unit should also be used, if the physical quantity depends on a global unit specified for the referenced object or if the physical quantity is not described explicitly, but depends on a specific context. For example the unit may be "one milliliter" or "one gram" of lubricant depending on the global unit specified for the lubricant being "milliliter" or "gram" in the case of a quantified assembly relationship with quantity "one each".

The Instance Model: EXPRESS entities and attributes

The EXPRESS entities and attributes used to support the requirements of context dependent unit are shown in Diagram 81.

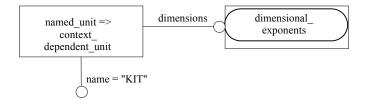


Diagram 81: Context Dependent Unit Instance Diagram

Attributes

- The *dimensions* attribute provides the dimensional_exponents for the context_dependent_unit (see 16.2.1.2).
- The *name* attribute provides the label by which the context dependent unit is known.

ENTITY context_dependent_unit	Attribute Population	Remarks
dimensions	type: entity = dimensional	references associated dimensional
	exponents	exponents
name	type: label = STRING	the name attribute indicates the name of
		the represented context_dependent_unit

Preprocessor Recommendations: If applicable a complex instance with one of the predefined subtypes of named unit is recommended for context dependent unit.

Postprocessor Recommendations: None specified.

Related Entities: None specified.

The Instance Model: STEP exchange file format (ISO10303 Part 21 syntax)

```
/* Millimeter [mm]: */
#1=LENGTH MEASURE WITH UNIT (LENGTH MEASURE (1.0), #2);
#2=(LENGTH UNIT() NAMED UNIT(*) SI UNIT(.MILLI.,.METRE.));
/* Gram [q]: */
#5=MASS MEASURE WITH UNIT (MASS MEASURE (150.5), #6);
#6=(MASS UNIT() NAMED UNIT(*) SI UNIT($,.GRAM.));
/* Square meter [m2]: */
#10=AREA MEASURE WITH UNIT(AREA MEASURE(2.5E+001),#20);
#20=DERIVED UNIT((#30));
#30=DERIVED UNIT ELEMENT (#50,2.0);
#40=NAME ATTRIBUTE ('SQUARE METER', #20);
#50=(LENGTH UNIT() NAMED UNIT(*) SI UNIT($,.METRE.));
/* Inch [in]: */
#110=LENGTH MEASURE WITH UNIT(LENGTH MEASURE(2.54E-002),#120);
#120=(CONVERSION BASED UNIT('INCH', #140) LENGTH UNIT()
NAMED UNIT (#130);
#130=DIMENSIONAL EXPONENTS(1.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0);
#140=LENGTH MEASURE WITH UNIT (LENGTH MEASURE (5.0), #150);
#150=(LENGTH UNIT() NAMED UNIT(*) SI UNIT($,.METRE.));
/* Newton per square millimeter [N/mm2]: */
#201=MEASURE WITH UNIT (NUMERIC MEASURE (500.), #202);
#202=DERIVED UNIT ((#203, #204));
#203=DERIVED UNIT ELEMENT (#205,1.);
#204=DERIVED_UNIT_ELEMENT(#206,-2.);
#205=SI UNIT(*,$,.NEWTON.);
#206=(LENGTH UNIT() NAMED UNIT(*) SI UNIT(.MILLI.,.METRE.));
/* Liter [1]: */
#300=VOLUME MEASURE WITH UNIT (VOLUME MEASURE (1.5), #310);
#310=(CONVERSION BASED UNIT('LITER', #330) NAMED UNIT(#320)
VOLUME UNIT());
#320=DIMENSIONAL EXPONENTS(3.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0);
#330=LENGTH MEASURE WITH UNIT(VOLUME MEASURE(1.0E-003),#340);
#340=DERIVED UNIT((#350));
#350=DERIVED UNIT ELEMENT (#360,3.0);
#360=(LENGTH UNIT() NAMED UNIT(*) SI UNIT($,.METRE.));
```

```
/* Each []: */
#400=MEASURE_WITH_UNIT(COUNT_MEASURE(2),#401);
#401=NAMED_UNIT(#402);
#402=DIMENSIONAL_EXPONENTS(0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0);

/* Unit of prefabricated []: */
#500=MEASURE_WITH_UNIT(CONTEXT_DEPENDENT_MEASURE(3.0),#501);
#501=CONTEXT_DEPENDENT_UNIT(#502,'UNIT OF PREFABRICATED');
#502=DIMENSIONAL_EXPONENTS(0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0);

/* As required []: */
#600=MEASURE_WITH_UNIT(CONTEXT_DEPENDENT_MEASURE(1.0),#601);
#601=CONTEXT_DEPENDENT_UNIT(#602,'AS REQUIRED');
#602=DIMENSIONAL_EXPONENTS(0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0,0.0);
```

Example 72: examples of mapping different units

Annex A PDM Schema EXPRESS listing

A.1 PDM Schema short form

http://www.pdm-if.org/pdm schema/pdm12 sf.exp

A.2 PDM Schema long form

http://www.pdm-if.org/pdm_schema/pdm12_lf.exp

Annex B PDM Schema EXPRESS-G Diagrams

http://www.pdm-if.org/pdm schema/pdm11-exg.pdf

Annex C PDM Schema Issues Log

http://www.pdm-if.org/pdm schema/pdm12-issues log.pdf

Annex D Document Change Log

Changes to Release 1.0

- Removal of creation information recommendation in section 1.1.1,
- Removal of creation information recommendation in 1.1.2,
- Addition of Document Identification (section 5),
- Addition of File Identification (section 6),
- Addition of Authorization Person and Organization (section 13.1),
- Addition of Authorization Approval (section 13.2).

Changes to Release 2.0

• See Closed Issues in the associated PDM Schema Usage Guide Issue Table

Changes to Release 3.0

- Addition of approval cycle descriptions and approval relationship in section 13.2.2,
- Moved sections 2.4 and 2.5 (relating shape to product structure) to sections 4.4 and 4.5,
- Added section 2 (specific part type classification),
- Added section 6 (specific document type classification),
- Added section 12 (alias identification),
- Added section 13.3 (date, time, and event reference),
- Added section 14 (configuration and effectivity information).
- Added section 15 (engineering change and work management).

Changes to Release 4.0

- Added section 16 (measure and units),
- Additions to section 4 (drawings, parts lists, and item find number),
- Modifications to section 9 (document properties),
- Numerous updates and fixes (refer to issue log).

Changes to Release 4.2

- Generally referenced PDM schema version 1.2 instead of PDM schema version 1.1
- Added section describing scope for approvals
- Added section describing project dates
- Added section describing the assignment of activities to projects
- Added explanatory text to section describing shape aspect and the usage of shape representation
- Numerous updates and fixes (refer to issue log).

Changes to Release 4.3

- Added explanatory text to sections describing the linkage of shape representation to product data
- Added explanatory text to describe that portions of shape can either represent the shape completely or just partial geometry
- Added section to describe the splitting of shape into multiple shape representations
- Added section to describe additional geometric model structures like alternate geometry or auxiliary geometry
- Reworked section on find numbers and drawing find numbers
- Added section on additional document properties
- Improved statement on the assignment of external files to product data
- Added explanatory text to describe can also be associated with versioned_action_request, executed action or action method
- Modified text on document assignment role to allow for further role names than 'informative' and 'mandatory'
- Improved explanatory text for document relationship type 'transformation'
- Added explanatory text to describe the different handling of approval dates for single approval instance with multiple people signing off on the approval and for approval cycles with more than one approval instance
- Added explanatory text to describe the assignment of an organization to an approval for other roles than sign-off
- Added explanatory text to describe the association of work requests with properties
- Added explanatory text to describe the assignment of actions to product versions and product configuration_effectivities
- Added explanatory text to describe the association of sub-activities to a work more precisely.

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