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1. General

1.1. About this document

This document is a part of a specification series. Each part specifies the contents of a Submodel template for the Asset Administration Shell (AAS). The AAS is described in [1], [2], [3] and [6]. First exemplary Submodel contents were described in [4], while the actual format of this document was derived by the "Administration Shell in Practice" [5]. The format aims to be very concise, giving only minimal necessary information for applying a Submodel template, while leaving deeper descriptions and specification of concepts, structures and mapping to the respective documents [1] to [6].

Common terms and abbreviations can be found in [7].

The target audience of the specification are developers and editors of technical documentation and manufacturer information, which are describing assets in smart manufacturing by means of the Asset Administration Shell (AAS) and therefore need to create a Submodel instance with a hierarchy of SubmodelElements. This document especially details on the question, which SubmodelElements with which semantic identification shall be used for this purpose.

1.2. Scope of the Submodel

This Submodel template aims at interoperable provision of technical data describing the asset of the respective Asset Administration Shell. Central element is the provision of properties [7], ideally interoperable by the means of dictionaries such as ECLASS and IEC CDD (Common data dictionary).

The intended use-case is, that a manufacturer of industrial products to equipment describes technical data of assets (type or instance), which are provided to the market. This description is achieved by the means of technical data (properties), which are interoperable and unambiguously understood by the other market participants, such as system integrators or operators of industrial products to equipment. These properties are selected for human comprehension and are not necessarily representing a full class definition within a classification system. For providing individual industrial products to equipments to the market, also a supplier is covered by the use-case (for this purpose seen as functioning as manufacturer).

This Submodel template specifies a basic set of SubmodelElements to provide the necessary information for this use case.

1.3. Relevant standards for the Submodel template

1.3.1. Meta model

This document currently targets meta model version V3.0 and the currently upcoming revision V3.1. SubmodelElementLists are being incorporated.

1.3.2. Concept repositories

So called property dictionaries are used to identify information elements (see Terms and Definitions of [6]). Such property dictionaries include:

- ECLASS, see: <https://www.eclasscontent.com/> (here ECLASS version 14.0 is used)
- IEC CDD, see: <https://cdd.iec.ch/cdd/iec61987/iec61987.nsf> and <https://cdd.iec.ch/cdd/iec62683/cdddev.nsf>

1.4. Explanations on used UML diagrams

For clarity and an improved legibility readers are suggested to go through this section at first before reading the following chapters.

The UML diagrams (see [Figure 1](#)) feature box-like elements, called "classes". These classes, typically Submodels, SubmodelElementCollections or SubmodelElementLists feature a set of Properties or further SubmodelElements. These elements can have specific cardinalities, e.g. mandatory [1], optionally [0..1], or zero to many [0..*] or one to many [1..*].

The single classes are hierarchally organized by aggregation relations, these can be seen as "contains" relation.

For a further overview on UML diagrams please refer to [6] and [11].

Further details about used table formats please refer to Annex A.

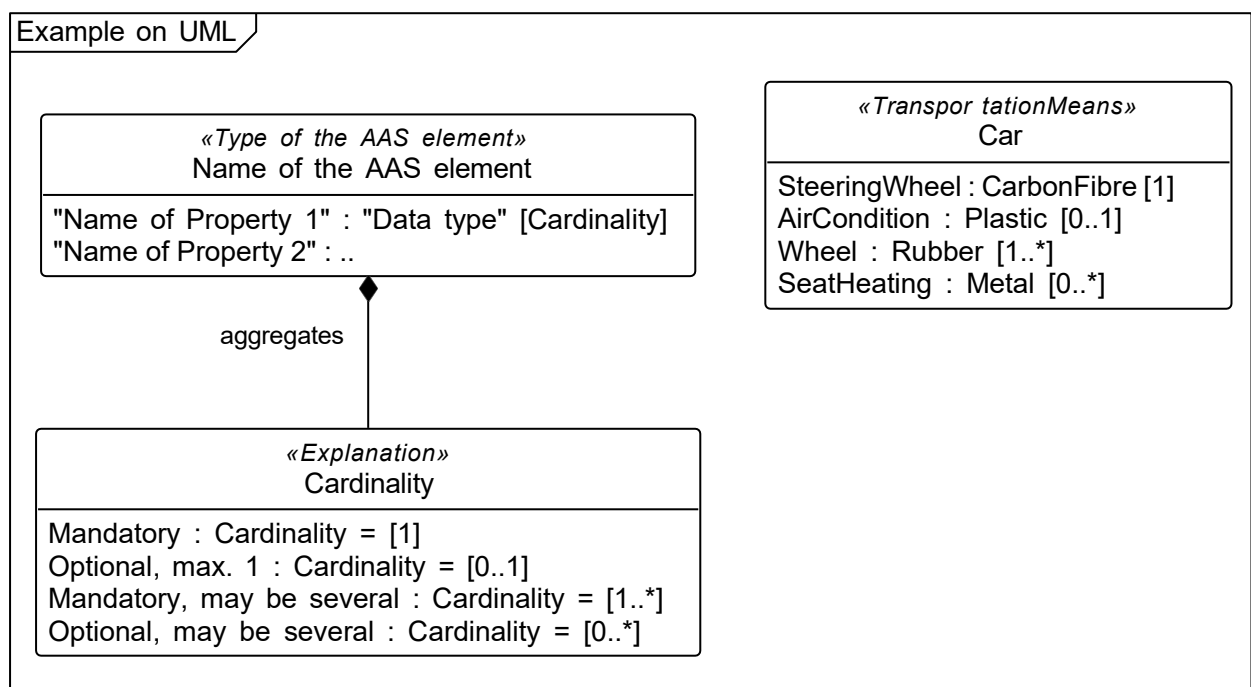


Figure 1. Reading aid and example: UML notation used in this document

2. Approaches

2.1. Overview UML model

The SubmodelElements described in section 3 are structured in the following way (see [Figure 2](#)):

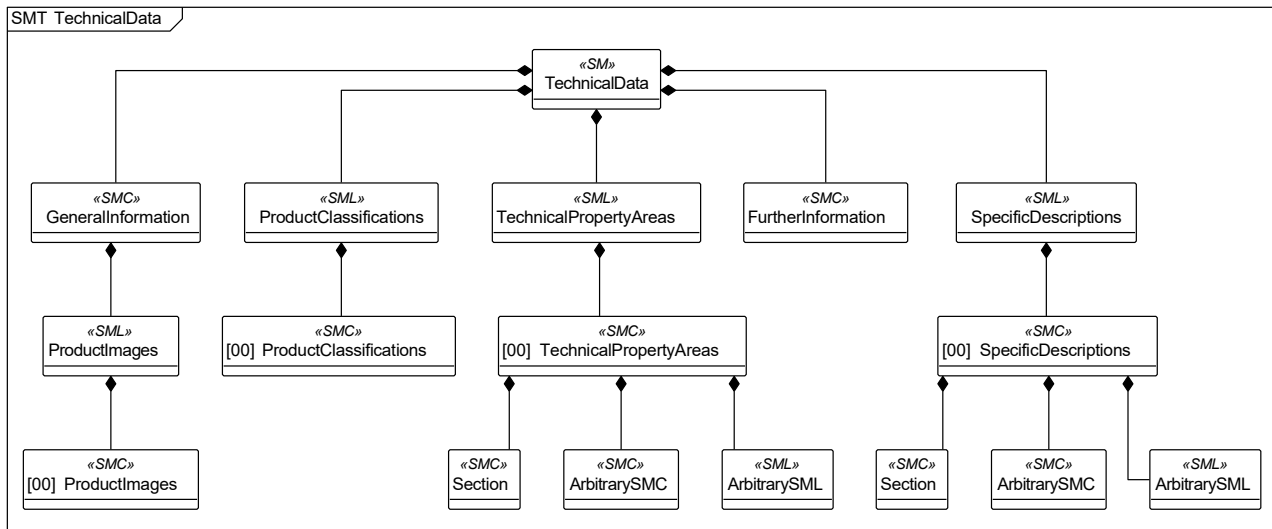


Figure 2. UML overview

A Submodel according to this Submodel template specification consists of four areas (see Figure 1), represented by four SubmodelElementCollections:

- The [GeneralInformation](#) section contains information which gives minimal information about the provider of the industrial product / equipment and the product / equipment itself. The aim of the provided information is to allow recognizing, if the provided technical data fits to the particular asset. A minimal set of information is given to allow a value chain partner to order or re-order the industrial equipment from the manufacturer or a supplier. Also multiple pictures can be integrated. For further identification or managing ordering processes, suitable Submodels for Identification, Nameplate and business contact points shall be consulted.
- The [ProductClassifications](#) sections treats the described asset (industrial equipment) as commercial product, which is brought into the market by the manufacturer. For the asset, a product classification is given. Multiple product classifications can be stated. The hereby provided information targets the product classification only, the provided information does not automatically imply, that certain sets of properties need to be given, that a completeness or coherency of these sets of properties exists, or that these are to be arranged in a specific structure.
- The [TechnicalPropertyAreas](#) section contains individual SubmodelElements detailing on technical data. Technical data may be comprised of information expressed via properties or by providing additional files containing information about the asset or any other kind of provision of information about technical data of the asset. For the structuring of these SubmodelElements, main and subsections can be defined. However, these sections serve mainly the purpose to structure the information for human readability. Ideally, the information provided by the SubmodelElements shall stand for itself and shall be unambiguously identified by the semanticIds of the SubmodelElements. In any case, the SubmodelElements can be structured according to domains, aspects, groups or blocks described by the used property dictionary, such as ECLASS or IEC CDD. Also company specific classification-based descriptions are possible. This structure is therefore domain specific and shall be defined by domain specific specifications, but will serve as sections for the technical properties, as well.
- The section for [FurtherInformation](#) holds additional information, such as textual statements by the manufacturer and date of validity.
- The section for [SpecificDescriptions](#) hold additional use-case-specific descriptions in the submodel.

If possible, the Submodel utilizes the AAS provisions for multiple-language support. Specifically, the AAS LangStringSet data structure is used for accessing the description of SubmodelElements, the preferred names of ConceptDescriptions and the values of MultiLanguageProperties. By such provisions, the same technical data entities can be provided for multiple language domains required by multiple target markets of the industrial equipments and therefore fosters cross-relationships between these language domains for engineering and analytics.

2.2. Presentation in AAS user applications

Figure 3 shows, how such information might be rendered in a user application. The figure shows a screen shot of the AASX Package Explorer with Submodel "TechnicalData" of an example asset, featuring multiple technical properties and visualization of the Submodel information via a specific plug-in "Technical Data Viewer".

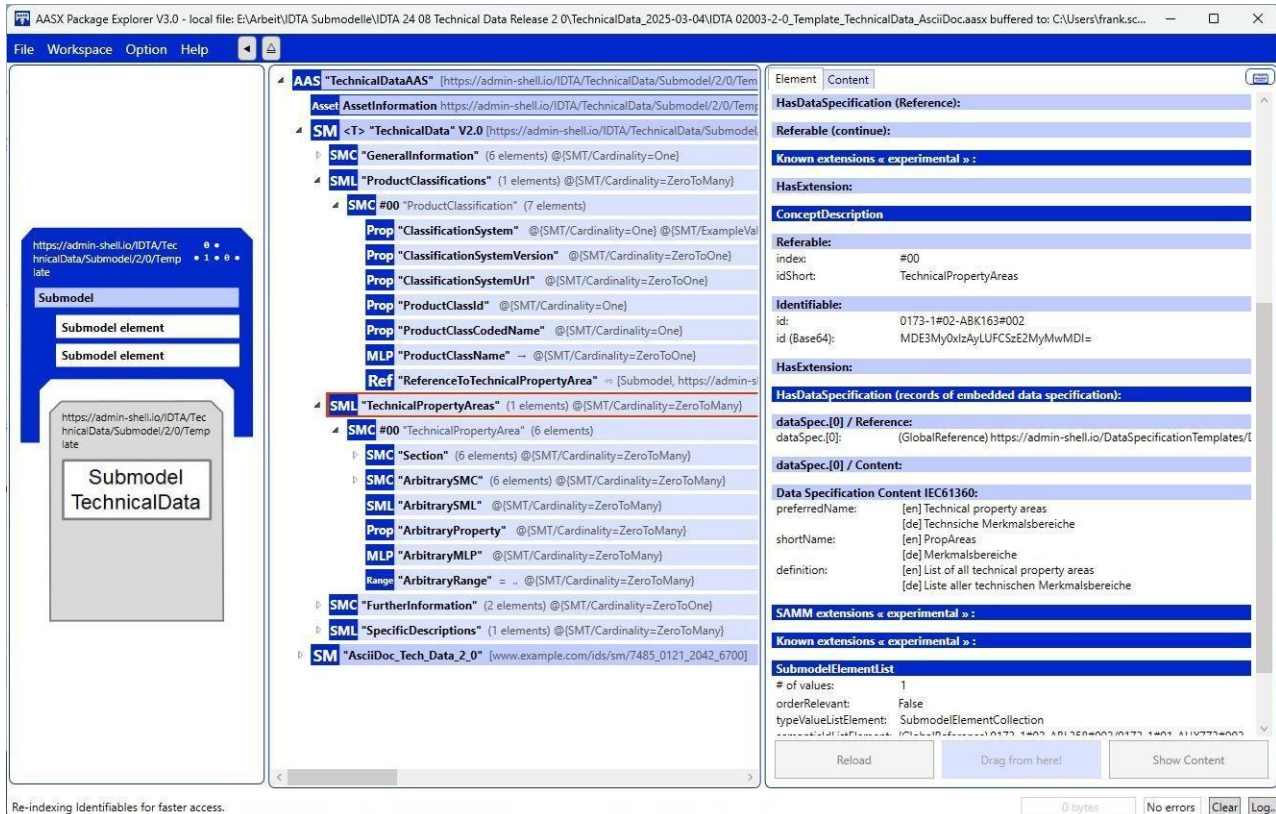


Figure 3. Exemplary presentation in an AAS user application

NOTE | The classification of this example asset does not exist by intention.

3. Information structures and attributes

3.1. Root information of Submodel

Figure 4 shows the UML-diagram defining the relevant properties which need to be set.

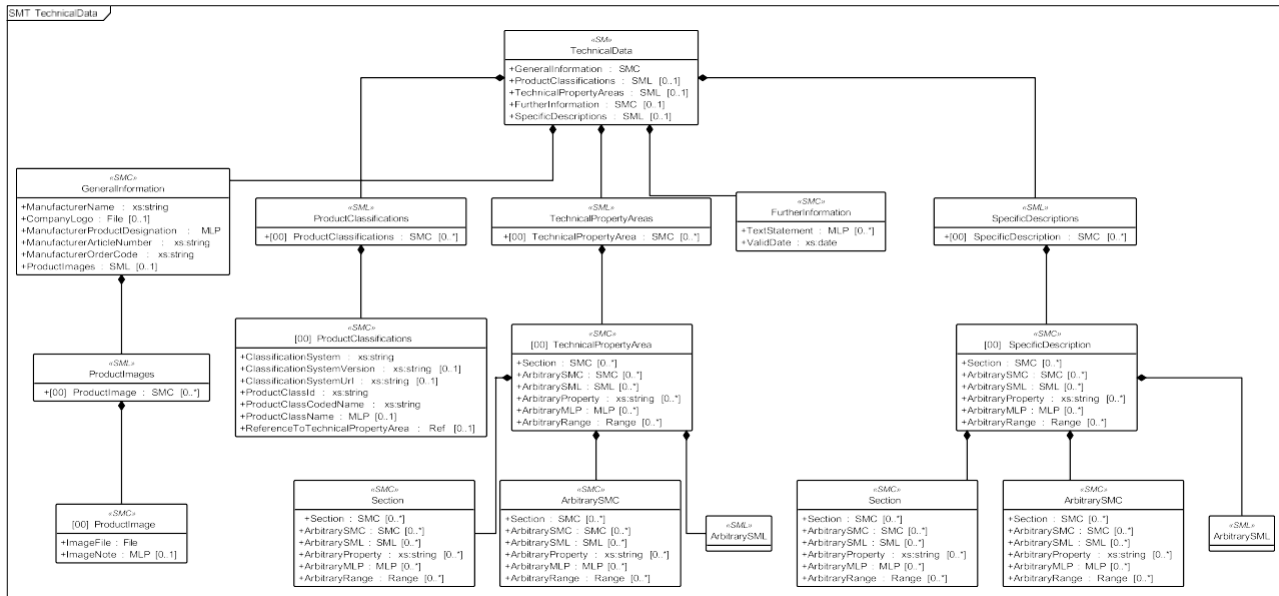


Figure 4. UML diagram for the overall Submodel

The SubmodelElements for this first level are described as follows (see Table 1). The table convention is explained in Annex A.2.

Table 1. Table for the overall Submodel

idShort:	TechnicalData		
Class:	Submodel		
semanticId:	0173-1#01-AHX837#002		
Parent:	TechnicalData		
Explanation:	Submodel containing technical data of the asset and associated product classifications		
Element details:	-		
[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	
[SMC]	0173-1#02-ABK161#002/0173-1#01-AHX838#002	□	1
GeneralInformation	supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABK161-002/0173-1-01-AHX838-002 General information, for example ordering and manufacturer information	6 elements	
[SML]	0173-1#02-ABK162#002	□	0..1
ProductClassifications	supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABK162-002 Product classifications by association of product classes with common classification systems	1 elements	

[SML]	0173-1#02-ABK163#002	□	0..1
TechnicalPropertyAreas	supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABK163-002 List of all technical property areas	1 elements	
[SMC]	0173-1#02-ABK164#002	□	0..1
FurtherInformation	supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABK164-002 Further information on the product, the validity of the information provided and this data record	2 elements	
[SML]	0173-1#02-ABM221#001	□	0..1
SpecificDescriptions	supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABM221-001 Specific description areas for multiple use cases or areas of application	1 elements	

3.2. General Information

Figure 5 shows the UML-diagram defining the relevant properties for general information according to the approaches in section 2.

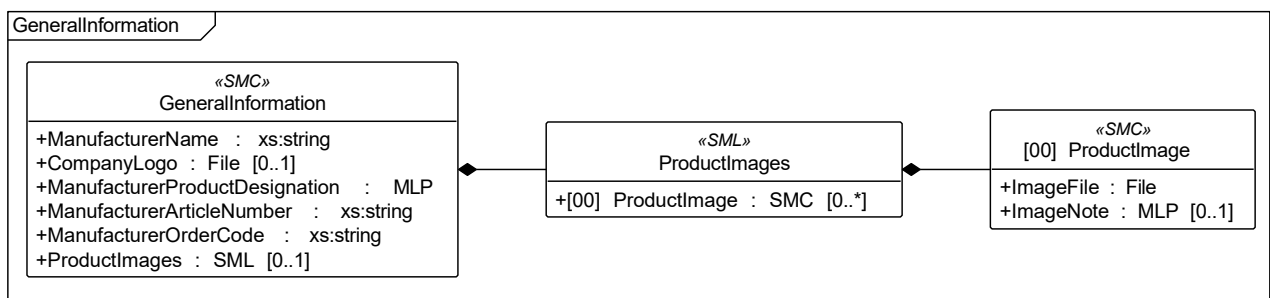


Figure 5. UML diagram for general information

The SubmodelElementCollection (SMC) described as follows (see Table 2) contains the general information according to the approaches in section 2. The table convention is explained in Annex A.2.

Table 2. Table SMC for general information

idShort:	GeneralInformation
Class:	SubmodelElementCollection
semanticId:	0173-1#02-ABK161#002/0173-1#01-AHX838#002
Parent:	GeneralInformation
Explanation:	General information, for example ordering and manufacturer information

Element details:	-		
[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	
[Prop]	0173-1#02-AAO677#004	[String]	1
ManufacturerName	<p>supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-AAO677-004</p> <p>Legally valid designation of the natural or judicial person which is directly responsible for the design, production, packaging and labeling of a product in respect to its being brought into circulation</p>		
[File]	0173-1#02-ABI776#002	[]	0..1
CompanyLogo	<p>supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABI776-002</p> <p>Imagefile for logo of the company provided in common format (.png, .jpg)</p>		
[MLP]	0173-1#02-AAW338#003	[]	1
ManufacturerProductDesignation	<p>supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-AAW338-003</p> <p>Short description of the product (short text)</p>		
[Prop]	0173-1#02-AAO676#005	[String]	1
ManufacturerArticleNumber	<p>supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-AAO676-005</p> <p>unique product identifier of the manufacturer</p>		
[Prop]	0173-1#02-AAO227#004	[String]	1
ManufacturerOrderCode	<p>supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-AAO227-004</p> <p>by manufactures issued unique combination of numbers and letters used to identify the device for ordering</p>		
[SML]	0173-1#02-ABM220#001	[]	0..1
ProductImages	<p>supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABM220-001</p> <p>Pictorial representations of the product also related to different applications</p>	1 elements	

3.3. Product images

Figure 6 shows the UML-diagram defining the relevant properties for the list of product images and a single product image according to the approaches in section 2.

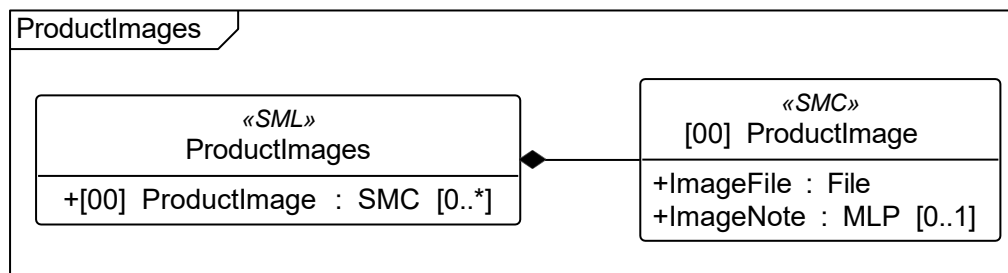


Figure 6. UML diagram for lists of and single product image

The SubmodelElementList (SML) described as follows (see Table 3) hold a list of product images. The table convention is explained in Annex A.2.

Table 3. Table SMC for list of product images

idShort:	ProductImages		
Class:	SubmodelElementList		
semanticId:	0173-1#02-ABM220#001		
Parent:	ProductImages		
Explanation:	Pictorial representations of the product also related to different applications		
Element details:	orderRelevant=No, semanticIdListElement=[GlobalReference, 0173-1#02-ABM220#001/0173-1#01-AHY911#001], typeValueListElement=SubmodelElementCollection		
[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	
[SMC]	0173-1#02-ABM220#001/0173-1#01-AHY911#001	[]	0..*
ProductImage	supplementalSemanticId: 0173-1#02-ABM220#001~0/0173-1#01-AHY911#001,https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABM220-001/0173-1-01-AHY911-001 Pictorial representation of the product related to an application	2 elements	

For providing product images, a SubmodelElementList (SML) named [ProductImages](#) contains single descriptions of product images. The SubmodelElementCollection (SMC) of these are described as follows (see Table 4) contains the general information according to the approaches in section 2. The table convention is explained in Annex A.2.

Table 4. Table SMC for single product image description

idShort:	ProductImage
Class:	SubmodelElementCollection

semanticId:	0173-1#02-ABM220#001/0173-1#01-AHY911#001		
Parent:	ProductImages		
Explanation:	Pictorial representation of the product related to an application		
Element details:	-		
[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	
[File]	0173-1#02-ABK291#002	□	1
ImageFile	Picture of the product (low resolution) 72 dpi / rgb (GIF or JPG)		
[MLP]	0173-1#02-ABL423#001	□	0..1
ImageNote	supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABL423-001 Notes or explanations about the image provided	Notes or explanations about the image provided@en	

3.4. SubmodelElements of product classifications

Figure 7 shows the UML-diagram defining the relevant properties for product classifications of the associated asset.

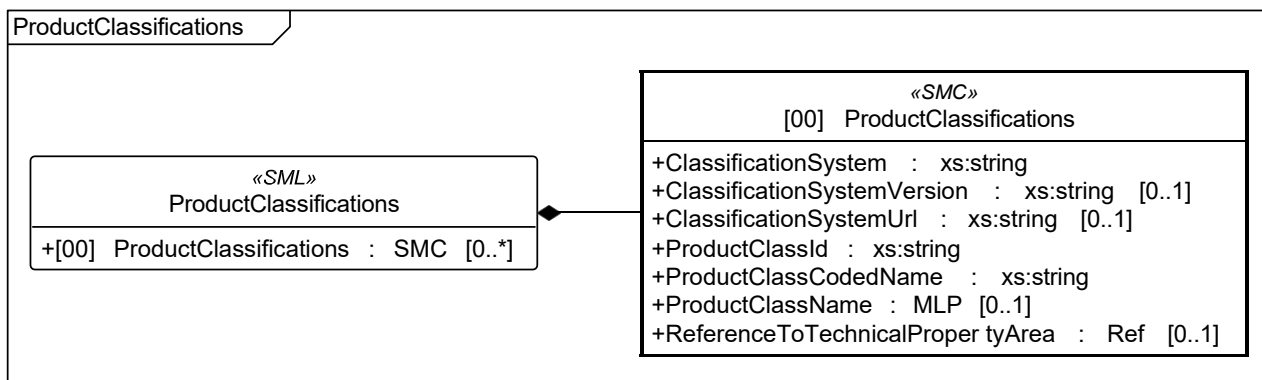


Figure 7. UML diagram for the list of product classifications and a single product classification

The SubmodelElementList (SML) for the product classification is described as follows (see Table 5). The table convention is explained in Annex A.2.

Table 5. Table SML for list of product classifications

idShort:	ProductClassifications
Class:	SubmodelElementList
semanticId:	0173-1#02-ABK162#002
Parent:	ProductClassifications
Explanation:	Product classifications by association of product classes with common classification systems

Element details:	orderRelevant=No, semanticIdListElement=[GlobalReference, 0173-1#02-ABK162#002/0173-1#01-AHX839#002], typeValueListElement=SubmodelElementCollection		
[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	
[SMC]	0173-1#02-ABK162#002/0173-1#01-AHX839#002	[]	0..*
ProductClassifications	supplementalSemanticId: 0173-1#02-ABK162#002~0/0173-1#01-AHX839#002, https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABK162-002/0173-1-01-AHX839-002 Single product classification item by association with product class in a particular classification system or property dictionary	7 elements	

The SubmodelElementCollection (SMC) for a single product classification is described as follows (see Table 6). The table convention is explained in Annex A.2.

Table 6. Table SMC for a single product classification

idShort:	ProductClassifications		
Class:	SubmodelElementCollection		
semanticId:	0173-1#02-ABK162#002/0173-1#01-AHX839#002		
Parent:	ProductClassifications		
Explanation:	Single product classification item by association with product class in a particular classification system or property dictionary		
Element details:	-		
[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	
[Prop]	0173-1#02-ABL424#001	[String]	1
ClassificationSystem	supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABL424-001 Reference to the scheduled collection of abstract concepts that are used to distinguish and order objects		
[Prop]	0173-1#02-AAR710#003	[String]	0..1
ClassificationSystemVersion	supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-AAR710-003 Referenced state of the published classification system		

[Prop]	https://admin-shell.io/IDTA/TechnicalData/ProductClassifications/ProductClassification/ClassificationSystemUrl/2/0	[String]	0..1
ClassificationSystemUrl			
[Prop]	0173-1#02-ABG776#003 supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABG776-003 Class of the associated product or industrial equipment in the classification system. According to the notation of the system (IRDI)	[String]	1
ProductClassId			
[Prop]	0173-1#02-ABK128#002 supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABK128-002 Unique class code in a classification hierarchy	[String]	1
ProductClassCodedName			
[MLP]	0173-1#02-ABK273#002 supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABK273-002 Name of product class in the used classification system	[]	0..1
ProductClassName		Name of product class in the used classification system@en	
[Ref]	0173-1#02-ABL358#002 supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABL358-002 Reference to technical property area	[]	0..1
ReferenceToTechnicalPropertyArea		[Submodel, https://admin-shell.io/idta/SubmodelTemplate/TechnicalData/2/0],[SubmodelElementList, TechnicalPropertyAreas],[SubmodelElementCollection, 0]	

3.5. Areas of technical properties

The SubmodelElementCollection (SMC) described as follows contains the actual technical properties according to the approach in 2.1.1. The property instances are given by individual SubmodelElements (see [6][7]). There is no structural distinction between properties of different classification systems, as they can easily be identified by checking the heading part of the IRI or IRDI identifier of the semanticId. Note: The property dictionary is not separated per property but can be identified by inspection the property identification. Properties, which are part of manufacturer specifications and consortium specifications (see [3]) are supported as well, as the set of suitable semanticIds is not restricted. Even SubmodelElements without distinctive semanticId are supported by providing a reserved ConceptDescription named "SemanticIdNotAvailable".

For structuring the information elements for human readability, main sections and sub sections are supported

by a distinguished ConceptDescriptions. These sections can be introduced by the provider of the information (manufacturer) to group elements into easy perceivable parts (see screenshot in clause 2.1.1). These sections do not imply consequences for the machine understanding of the information. If, however, aspects, groups or blocks are required by the particular property dictionary, such as ECLASS or IEC CDD, these elements can be introduced by SubmodelElementCollection with semanticId to that block or other respective entity, as well. The table convention is explained in Annex A.2.

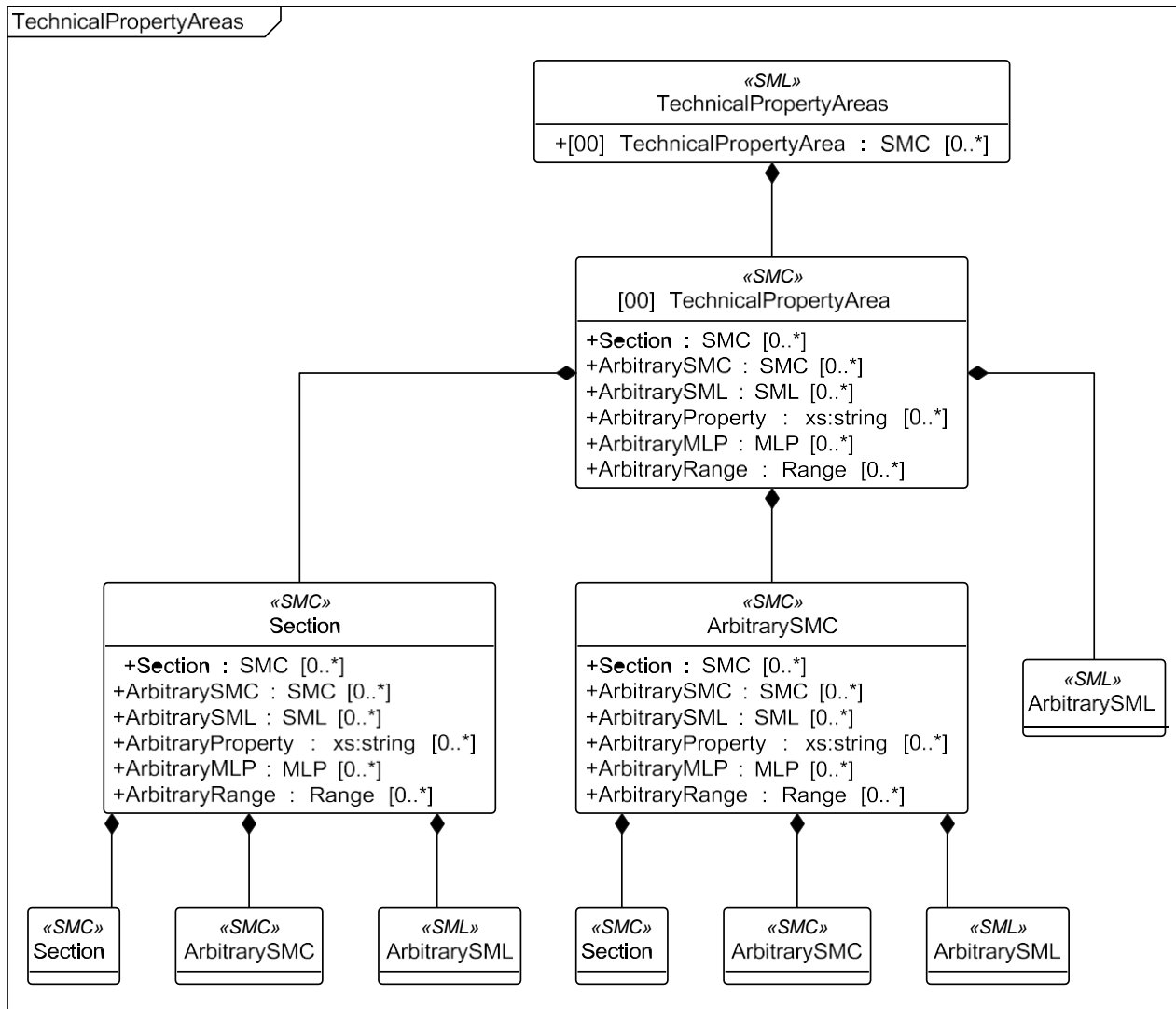


Figure 8. UML diagram of the list of areas of technical properties

The SubmodelElementList (SML) for the product classification is described as follows (see Table 5). The table convention is explained in Annex A.2.

Table 7. Table SMC for list of product classifications

idShort:	TechnicalPropertyAreas
Class:	SubmodelElementList
semanticId:	0173-1#02-ABK163#002
Parent:	TechnicalPropertyAreas
Explanation:	List of all technical property areas
Element details:	orderRelevant=No, semanticIdListElement=[GlobalReference, 0173-1#02-ABL358#002/0173-1#01-AHX773#002], typeValueListElement=SubmodelElementCollection

[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	
[SMC]	0173-1#02-ABL358#002/0173-1#01-AHX773#002	[]	0..*
TechnicalPropertyArea	supplementalSemanticId: 0173-1#02-ABL358#002~0/0173-1#01-AHX773#002, https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABL358-002/0173-1-01-AHX773-002 Specific property area referenced by a product classification	6 elements	

The SubmodelElementCollection (SMC) for a single section within the technical properties is defined as follows (see Table 8). The table convention is explained in Annex A.2.

Table 8. Table SMC for a single section

idShort:	Section		
Class:	SubmodelElementCollection		
semanticId:	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary		
Parent:	Section		
Explanation:	Note: The idShort is arbitrary. Note: Using displayName is recommended.		
Element details:	-		
[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	
[SMC]	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary	[]	0..*
Section		0 elements	
[SMC]	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary	[]	0..*
ArbitrarySMC	Note: Every SMC with a specific semanticId can serve as a section. Note: The idShort is arbitrary. Note: The use of a displayName is recommended.	0 elements	
[SML]	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary	[]	0..*
ArbitrarySML	Note: Every SMC with a specific semanticId can serve as a section. Note: The idShort is arbitrary. Note: The use of a displayName is recommended.	0 elements	

[Prop]	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary	[String]	0..*
ArbitraryProperty			
[MLP]	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary	[]	0..*
ArbitraryMLP			
[Range]	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary	[]	0..*
ArbitraryRange		..	

3.6. Display names for sections and properties with no semanticId available

For displaying property names in a user interface, the following precedence of display names shall be maintained (see Table 9):

Table 9. Handling of display names

Priority	Concept in AAS metamodel	Description
1 (highest)	SubmodelElement/displayName	Dedicated display name in several languages. Note: If a user or application requests a preferred language, then this language shall be used; default is English (en).
2	ConceptDescription/preferredName	If available, the preferred name in the requested language of the concept description defining the semantics of the element. Else, if there is a default language list defined in the application, then the corresponding preferred name in the language is chosen according to this order. Else, if available, the English preferred name of the concept description defining the semantics of the element Note: The user interface is recommended to be capable of handling presentation of at least 50 characters. Note: If a user or application requests a preferred language, then this language shall be used; default is English (en).
3	ConceptDescription/preferredName	As above, but shorter definition. Note: If a user or application requests a preferred language, then this language shall be used; default is English (en).

Priority	Concept in AAS metamodel	Description
4 (lowest)	SubmodelElement/idShort	If only available, the idShort shall be presented. Note: This is usually not language adequate and the least user orientation presentation.

Consequently, for editors of instances of this Submodel Template, the **following procedure is recommended** to be applied:

1. Whenever possible, include a ConceptDescription within the AAS with speaking elaboration of preferredName, shortName and definition.
2. If no ConceptDescription could be provided (no semanticId, that is, no formal conceptualization of the property could be given to the user), a speaking explanation shall be provided by SubmodelElement/displayName.
3. In any case, a short but speaking, unique idShort for the SubmodelElement shall be chosen, respecting the allowed characters (regex definition: [a-zA-Z0-9_-]+)

3.7. Further information

Figure 9 shows the UML-diagram defining the further information according to the approaches in section 2.

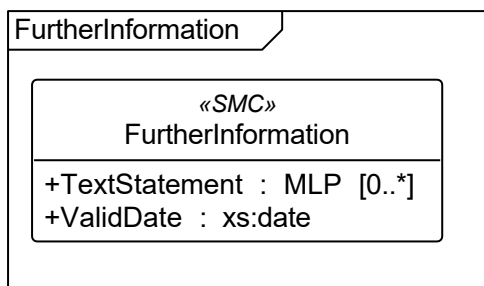


Figure 9. UML diagram for further information

The SubmodelElementCollection (SMC) described as follows (see Table 10) contains the further information according to the approaches in section 2. The table convention is explained in Annex_A.2.

Table 10. Table SMC for further information

idShort:	FurtherInformation		
Class:	SubmodelElementCollection		
semanticId:	0173-1#02-ABK164#002		
Parent:	FurtherInformation		
Explanation:	Further information on the product, the validity of the information provided and this data record		
Element details:	-		
[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	

[MLP]	0173-1#02-ABK134#002	[]	0..*
TextStatement	<p>supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABK134-002</p> <p>Statement by the manufacturer in text form, e.g. scope of validity of the statements, scopes of application, conditions of operation.</p>	Statement by the manufacturer in text form, e.g. scope of validity of the statements, scopes of application, conditions of operation.@en	
[Prop]	0173-1#02-ABL775#001	[Date]	1
ValidDate	<p>supplementalSemanticId: https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1#02-ABL775#001</p> <p>Date at which a product, process, norm or similar becomes invalid</p>		

3.8. Specific Descriptions

Figure 10 shows the UML-diagram defining the relevant information according to the approaches in section 2.

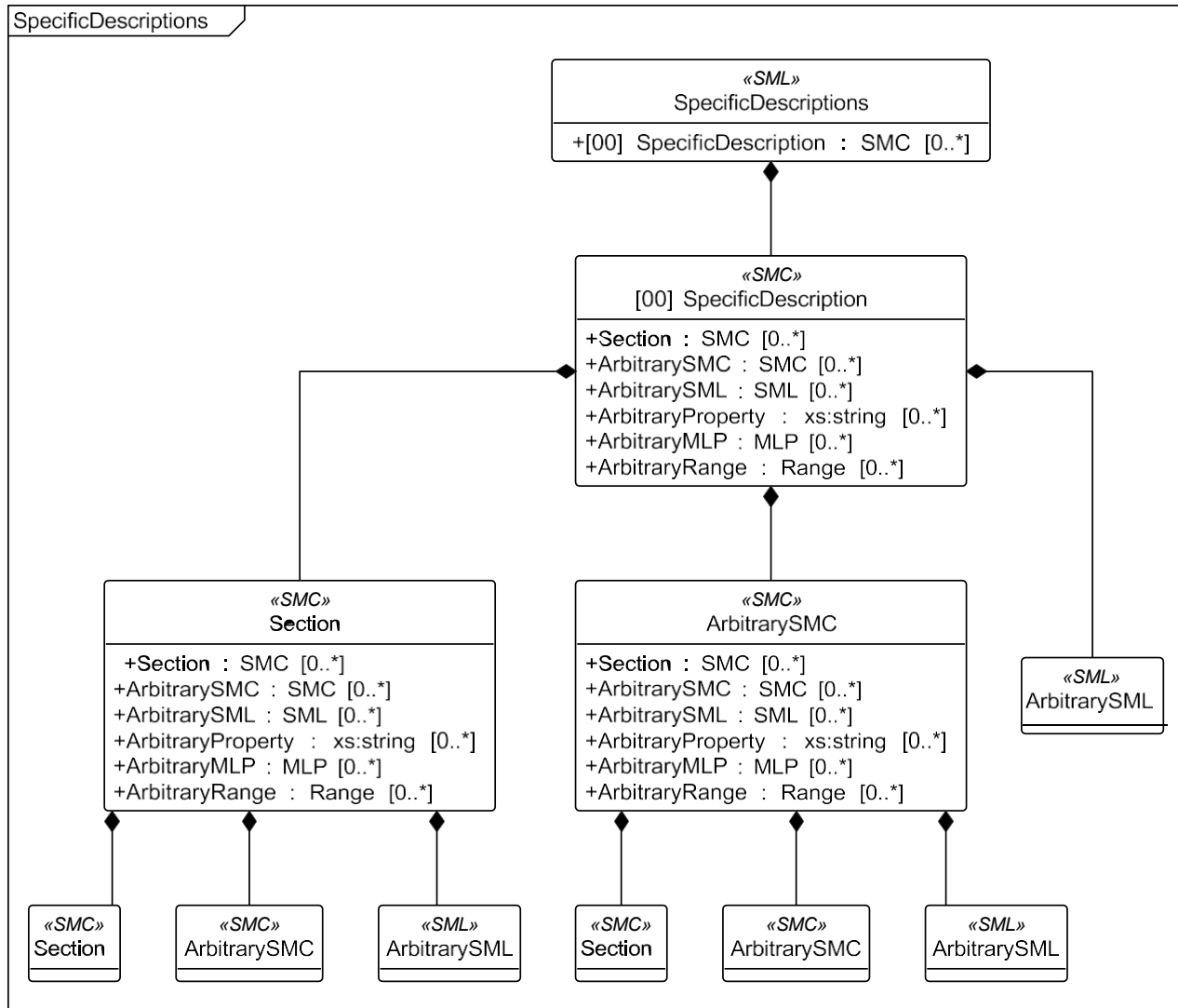


Figure 10. UML diagram for lists of and single product image

The SubmodelElementList (SML) described as follows (see Table 11) hold specific descriptions. The table convention is explained in Annex A.2.

Table 11. Table SML for specific descriptions

idShort:	SpecificDescriptions		
Class:	SubmodelElementList		
semanticId:	0173-1#02-ABM221#001		
Parent:	SpecificDescriptions		
Explanation:	Specific description areas for multiple use cases or areas of application		
Element details:	orderRelevant=No, semanticIdListElement=[GlobalReference, 0173-1#02-ABM221#001/0173-1#01-AHY912#001], typeValueListElement=SubmodelElementCollection		
[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	

[SMC]	0173-1#02-ABM221#001/0173-1#01-AHY912#001	□	0..*
SpecificDescription	supplementalSemanticId: 0173-1#02-ABM221#001~0/0173-1#01-AHY912#001,https://api.eclass-cdp.com/0173-1-02-ABM221-001/0173-1-01-AHY912-001	6 elements	
	Specific description for a use case or area of application		

Specific descriptions are used when, in addition to standard product classifications such as ECLASS or IEC CDD, further use-case-specific descriptions are to be passed on. In this area, additional data structures can be defined that are relevant for a specific use case or area of application. This makes it possible to use this submodel as a framework for other submodels in the context of technical data. Several SMCs are possible, each of which is identified by name.

The specific description can also be setup by using elements of ECLASS, IEC CDD or other classification standards.

Examples are specific dimensions, environments, performance classes, etc..

Table 12. Table SMC for a specific description

idShort:	SpecificDescription		
Class:	SubmodelElementCollection		
semanticId:	0173-1#02-ABM221#001/0173-1#01-AHY912#001		
Parent:	SpecificDescriptions		
Explanation:	Specific description for a use case or area of application		
Element details:	-		
[SME type]	semanticId	[valueType]	card.
idShort	Description@en	example	
[SMC]	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary	□	0..*
Section	Note: The idShort is arbitrary. Note: Using displayName is recommended.	6 elements	
[SMC]	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary	□	0..*
ArbitrarySMC	Note: Every SMC with a specific semanticId can serve as a section. Note: The idShort is arbitrary. Note: The use of a displayName is recommended.	6 elements	

[SML] ArbitrarySML	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary Note: Every SML with a specific semanticId can serve as a section. Note: The idShort is arbitrary. Note: The use of a displayName is recommended.	[] 0 elements	0..*
[Prop] ArbitraryProperty	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary Note: Every property can be used. Note: The idShort is arbitrary. Note: The use of a displayName is recommended.	[String]	0..*
[MLP] ArbitraryMLP	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary Note: Every multilanguage property can be used. Note: The idShort is arbitrary. Note: The use of a displayName is recommended.	[] Note: Every multilanguage property can be used.@en	0..*
[Range] ArbitraryRange	https://admin-shell.io/SMT/General/Arbitrary Note: Every range property can be used. Note: The idShort is arbitrary. Note: The use of a displayName is recommended.	[] ..	0..*

All elements are defined in context of Technical Property Area.

Annex A. Explanations on used table formats

1. General

The used tables in this document try to outline information as concise as possible. They do not convey all information on Submodels and SubmodelElements. For this purpose, the definitive definitions are given by a separate file in form of an AASX file of the Submodel template and its elements.

2. Tables on Submodels and SubmodelElements

For clarity and brevity, a set of rules is used for the tables for describing Submodels and SubmodelElements.

- The tables follow in principle the same conventions as in [5].
- The table heads abbreviate 'cardinality' with 'card'.
- The tables often place two informations in different rows of the same table cell. In this case, the first information is marked out by sharp brackets [] from the second information. A special case are the semanticIds, which are marked out by the format: (type)(local)[idType]value.
- The types of SubmodelElements are abbreviated:

SME type	SubmodelElement type
Property	Property

SME type	SubmodelElement type
MLP	MultiLanguageProperty
Range	Range
File	File
Blob	Blob
Ref	ReferenceElement
Rel	RelationshipElement
SMC	SubmodelElementCollection
SML	SubmodelElementList

- If an idShort ends with '__00__', this indicates a suffix of the respective length (here: 2) of decimal digits, in order to make the idShort unique. A different idShort might be chosen, as long as it is unique in the parent's context.
- The Keys of semanticId in the main section feature only idType and value, such as: <https://adminshell.io/vdi/2770/1/0/DocumentId/Id>. The attribute "type" (typically "ConceptDescription" and "(local)" or "GlobalReference") need to be set accordingly; see [6].
- If a table does not contain a column with "parent" heading, all represented attributes share the same parent. This parent is denoted in the head of the table.
- Multi-language strings are represented by the text value, followed by '@'-character and the ISO 639 language code: example@EN.
- The [valueType] is only given for Properties.

Annex B. Changes to the submodel template

General

This annex lists the changes from version to version of the Submodel, together with major changes in the overall document. Non-backward compatible changes (nc) are marked as such.

Changes Version 1.2 to 2.0

General changes:

- Update to schema version 3.0
- Update of ECLASS IRDIs (where available) to ECLASS version 15.0
- Also add URI path IRDI information for all ECLASS elements

Content changes (all (nc)):

- GeneralInformation / ProductImage: cardinality with SML for multiple images
- GeneralInformation / ProductImage: Additional image note for each image (optional)
- ProductClassifications: cardinality with SML for multiple product classifications
- ProductClassifications / new property: ReferenceToTechnicalPropertiesCollection (reference from classification to properties)

- TechnicalProperties: name change to TechnicalPropertyAreas in combination with cardinality with SML for multiple property areas
- Addition of new SML Specific Description for specific use cases or areas of application

Smaller changes:

- ProductClassifications / ProductClassificationSystem: name change in ClassificationSystem
- ProductClassifications / ClassificationSystemVersion: name change in VersionOfClassificationSystem
- ProductClassifications / new property: ClassificationSystem Url
- ProductClassifications / new property: ProductClassCodedName
- ProductClassifications / new property: ProductClassName
- TechnicalPropertyAreas: optimization of the arbitray elements

Bugfixes:

- TechnicalPropertyAreas: optimization and correction of the arbitray elements (nc)
- Optimization of ConceptDescriptions in accordance to the used ECLASS elements

Annex C. Use of the term "Technical Data"

Use of the Submodel "Generic Frame for Technical Data for Industrial Equipment in Manufacturing" for Submodels that do not refer to classifications (standard, company-specific) but define their own content

This Submodel described here was created from the approach of transferring standardized contents of classifications (ECLASS, IEC CDD, ...) as well as property-based descriptions. It is also possible to transfer company-specific product data, which usually also follows a classification. With the update of this Submodel to major release 2.0, the clear referencing between classifications and property areas is also specified.

The Submodel was/is used by several other Submodels, which then also have "Technical Data" in their name. Individual elements of standard classifications are used here, for example properties from ECLASS or IEC CDD. However, the structure defined in the Submodel is determined by the Submodel itself. This topic was discussed intensively in the working group on this Submodel and it was decided to curb the "uncontrolled growth" and provide an optimized solution approach.

Decided procedure

If the title of a Submodel contains the text "Technical Data", then the Submodel must follow the specifications of this Submodel described here. Otherwise, the term may no longer be used in the title of the Submodel.

Specification for modeling Submodel-specific content

If content is defined that is not completely defined via classification standards, but can use elements of these standards, these must be specified under the SubmodelElementList (SML) "Specific Descriptions". The SMLs "ProductClassifications" and "TechnicalPropertyAreas" are therefore not to be used in this case. The structure of the SubmodelElementCollections (SMC) under the SML are free in structure and elements of classification standards can be used here. Due to the possibility of cardinalities in SML, several collections are also possible. The qualifiers of the relevant SMLs are designed accordingly.

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