

# xMCF 3.0.1 document changes

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## Description of Changes:

### Contents:

- Minor Changes
- Adoption of Conventions
- Noteworthy Changes
- Important Changes, for discussion
- Other Requests

### Attached documents:

- all\_changes.doc
  - contains all changes from v3.0 document
- important\_changes.doc
  - only noteworthy and important changes

## Minor Changes:

- typos
- grammar
- examples
  - xml was invalid
- missing rows from most tables
  - e.g. femdata
- missing descriptions
  - e.g. weld position, element femdata

## Adopted Conventions:

- Change of 'Status' into 'Use' (section 3.1 and heads of most tables)
- Type **Numeric** turned to **Integer** and **Floating Point** accordingly
- Multiplicity & Optional (multiplicity column of most tables)

e.g.

	element	multiplicity	use
Table 1	date	0-1	Optional
Table 51	bolt	1	Required
Table 51	washer	1	Optional

used one convention:

	element	multiplicity	use
Table 1	date	<b>1</b>	Optional
Table 51	bolt	1	Required
Table 51	washer	1	Optional

## Noteworthy Changes

- Rivet hardness (Section 7.4, 7.4.2)
  - 'hardness' was available under <self\_piercing> rivet only.
  - 'hardness' now moved under <rivet>
- Custom Attributes: <integer> (Table 20)
  - replaced <integer> with <int> because all examples used <int>  
ANSA v19 already writes using <int>  
Symmetry: <int\_list> is used – not <integer\_list>
- Part Code of weld-nuts: (section 7.5.5)  
Is there any reason why a **welded nut** or **clipped nut** should not have part code?
- Empty <nut> element: (Table 56)  
Empty </nut> is permitted. So I made it **optional**.

```
<threaded_connection>  
  <bolt/>  
</threaded_connection>
```

vs

```
<threaded_connection>  
  <bolt>  
    <nut/>  
  </bolt>  
</threaded_connection>
```

## Noteworthy Changes

- <clinch> (section 7.7)
  - **punch\_diameter** turned to **button\_diameter**
- <heat\_stake> (Table 66)
  - If given, should **head\_height** be permitted to be 0 ?
- Multiple <loc\_list> in connection\_1d (Section 8.1.2 and Table 73)
  - description provided
- **gap** in <sheet\_parameter> (section 8.2.4.3.1)
  - text states that it cannot be zero
  - zero is now permitted.
- Section “Laser” (section 8.2.4)
  - Not used at all in examples nor text
  - Should I delete it ? otherwise in *which* seam subtype ?
- Corner Weld (section 8.2.6)
  - Added graphic and description for **double corner** weld as well
  - No change in xml schema

## Noteworthy Changes

- all technology types are now available to *every* seaweld subtype: (8.2.5.3
  - ***resistance / arc / laser / friction / brazing***
  - flared joint was missing *laser*
  - why restrict it in schema?
- K-Joint, Cruciform Joint (Table 111, Table 115)
  - ***gap / sheet\_thickness / sheet\_angle*** made optional
  - in all other seam subtypes it was already optional
- K-Joint, Cruciform Joint (Table 111, Table 115)
  - ***thickness*** renamed to ***sheet\_thickness***
  - in all other seam subtypes it was called ***sheet\_thickness***
- <hemming> (Table 126)
  - ***top\_index*** and ***bottom\_index***: added missing definitions
  - already existed in examples
  - necessary when defining an adhesive in a 3-sheet hemming connection.

## Important Changes, for discussion

### Contents:

- Competing contact definitions
- Connection without connected partners
- Bolt vs Screw
- URL of schema
- schema version vs document version



## Important Changes, for discussion

### Competing Local Contact Definitions (sections 5.3.2 vs 7.5.2)

Section 5.3.2 defines

- A **global contact** under <connection\_group> and
- A **local contact** under <connection\_xd>

Section 7.5.2 defines

- A has an **alternative, competing** local contact under <threaded\_connection> only.  
It appears that this has been written to take care of contacts between **thread, nut, head** and **washers**.  
But it also handles the connected parts, using a different definition.

We only need the way it defines the thread friction.

What should we do ?

Proposal & Description in issue #27:

<https://github.com/economidis-nick/createXSDforxMCF/issues/27>

## Important Changes, for discussion

connection without connected partners (Table 10)

`</connected_to>`

Instead of

```
<connected_to>  
  <part index="1" label="PART_7000400"/>  
  <part index="2" label="PART_9000900"/>  
</connected_to>
```

i.e. `<part>` and `<assy>` are *optional*.

### Rationale:

It is possible that at an initial / intermediate state, connected sheets are not set.

At later stage (e.g. solution) software should check that `<connected_to>` is not empty!

NB: Failure to validate means that format is not xMCF3.

## Important Changes, for discussion

### Bolt vs Screw (Section 7.5.6.1 example 4)

#### Initial state:

- This was encountered

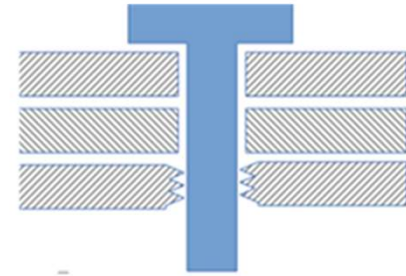


Figure 23: Screw without nut

#### Example:

```
<connection_0d label="135">
  <threaded_connection diameter="10.0" length="50.0"
    head_diameter="16.0" head_height="5" thread_length="35"
    torque="80" angle="30" pretension="1200" part_code="M10x50 12.9" >
    <normal direction x="0" y="0" z="-10"/>
    <!--No Washer under bolt ehad in this case-->
    <bolt fixed_to="3" >
      <!--No Nut in this case-->
    </bolt>
  </threaded_connection>
  <loc> 1500.3809 838.75885 730.6529 </loc>
  <appdata>
    ...
  </appdata>
</connection_0d>
```

## Important Changes, for discussion

### Bolt vs Screw (Section 7.5.6.1 example 4)

#### Fixed to:

- <screw>
- No need to mention nut

Do you agree ?

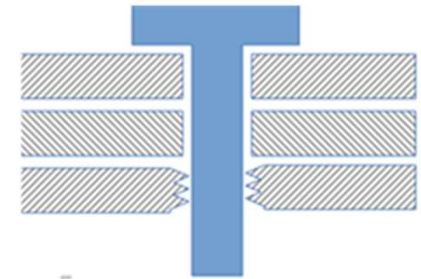


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  </threaded_connection>
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  </appdata>
</connection_0d>
```

## Important Changes, for discussion

### Bolt vs Screw difference: (section 7.5.1)

Statement in xMCF 3.0 document:

#### 7.5.1 Introduction

Bolts and screws are probably the most well-known connection techniques,

- A screw has a tapped bore.
- A bolt needs a nut.

#### Confirmation needed:

- Is this statement still true ?
- Is it correct ?

#### Quotes from previous meetings:

- bolts do not drill their holes
- bolts can be replaced many times in the same hole
- screw assemblies are not meant to be replacable/fixable with the same degree of fidelity
- screws drill their own holes or create the holes' thread during screwing

## Important Changes, for discussion

### Schema definition: (section 5.5)

Statement in xMCF 3.0 document:

#### ***5.5 XML Schema Definition***

XML-Schema definition (XSD) will be published at a later time on VDA web server.

#### xsd location:

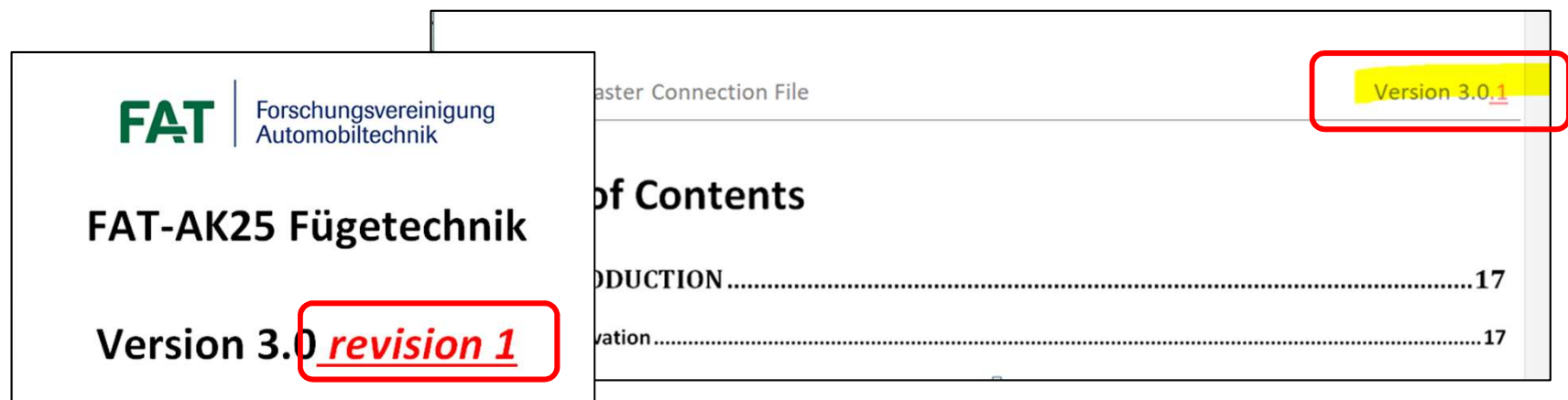
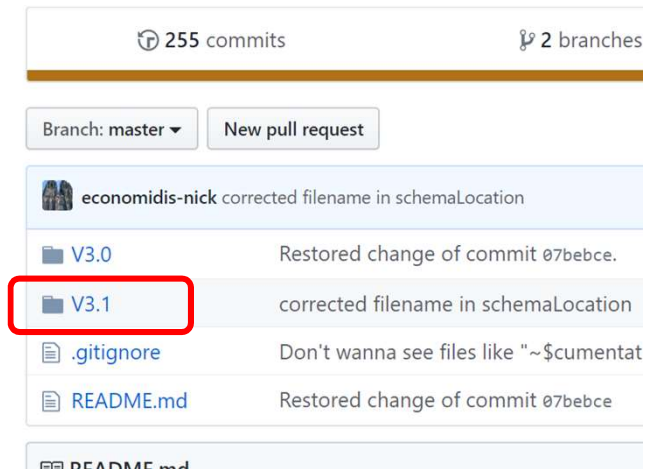
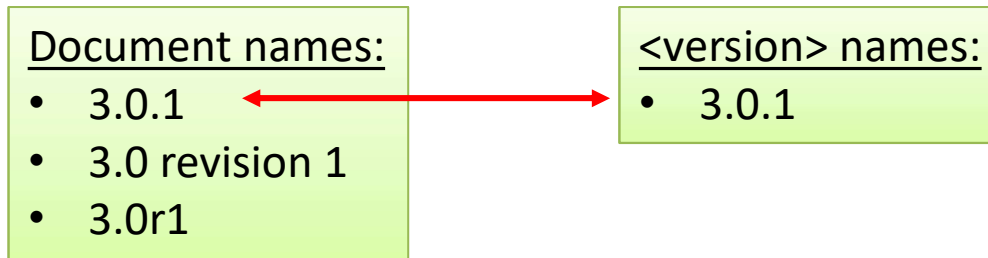
- will it remain on GitHub ?
- on which directory ?
  - <https://github.com/economidis-nick/createXSDforxMCF>
- must we write the URL in the document ?

# Name of the document

should schema version and document version be different ?

Document may change but schema may not change:

- perhaps the names should be decoupled ?



thank you!