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Standard Technical Specification

Scope (as defined in ISO/IEC Directives, Part 2, 6.2.1)

The Part 101 standard describes the scope, intent, and form of CIM profiles. The Common Information Model (CIM) specifies the basis for the semantics for message exchanges defined by WG13, WG14 and WG16. The profile specifications, which are contained in other parts of the IEC 61970, IEC 61968 and IEC 62325 standards, specify the content of the messages exchanged.

The objects represented in the CIM are abstract in nature and may be used in a wide variety of applications. The use of the CIM goes far beyond its application in an EMS. This standard should be understood as a tool to enable integration in any domain where a common set of power system semantics is needed to facilitate interoperability and plug compatibility between applications and systems independent of any particular implementation. This document is intended to guide and control the way Profiles are to be created.

This scope of this NP is to create and document 62361-101: Common Information Model Profiles and is intended to be used by any IEC TC57 group that needs to define a Profile Standard.

WG-19 will also maintain a close liaison with other groups doing work with the CIM, namely WG-13, WG-14 and WG-16.

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INTRODUCTION

114 This standard is one of the IEC 62361 series which define standards that may be used by all
115 Working Groups within TC57. These standards address areas of interest that impact multiple
116 standards and provide consistency for implementations.

117 The Part 101 standard describes the scope, intent, and form of CIM profiles.

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119 exchanges defined by WG13, WG14 and WG16. The profile specifications, which are
120 contained in other parts of the IEC 61970, IEC 61968 and IEC 62325 standards, specify the
121 content of the messages exchanged.

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123 of applications. The use of the CIM goes far beyond its application in an EMS. This standard
124 should be understood as a tool to enable integration in any domain where a common power
125 system model is needed to facilitate interoperability and plug compatibility between
126 applications and systems independent of any particular implementation.

127 This part of the standard, IEC 62361-101, defines CIM message profiles, their scope and how
128 they may be concretely exchanged. Functional areas are standardized in separate IEC
129 documents that augment and reference this base CIM standard. For example, IEC 61970-301
130 describes the core CIM information model and IEC 61968-11 addresses distribution models
131 and references this base CIM standard. While there are multiple IEC standards dealing with
132 different parts of the CIM, there is a single, unified information model comprising the CIM
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168 **1 Scope**

169 This International Standard provides a means to generate a 'profile', where a profile is a
170 specification that governs information required in a specific business exchange context.
171 Normally this business context is considered a message that conforms to the semantics of
172 the CIM. The profile's purpose, content and structure are described as well as profile
173 relationships to the information model, other profiles, and instance messages. The Standard
174 describes the canonical methodology of creating and using profiles.

175 **2 Normative references**

176 The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document.
177 For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition
178 of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

179 IEC 60050 series, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary*

180 IEC 61850-7-4, *Basic communication structure – Compatible logical node classes and data*
181 *object classes*, , *First edition, 2003-05*

182 IEC 61850 (all parts), *Communication Networks and Systems in Substations*

183 IEC 61968 (all parts), *Standards for distribution management system interfaces*

184 IEC 61970-2, *Energy Management System Application Program Interface (EMS-API) –*
185 *Glossary*

186 IEC 61970-301, *Common Information Model (CIM) Base*

187 IEC 61968 Part 11, *System Interfaces for Distribution Management: Common Information*
188 *Model Extensions for Distribution*.

189 IEC 62325-301, *Framework for Energy Market Communications Common Information Model*
190 *(CIM) Extensions for Markets*.

191 IEC 60870-6 (all parts), *Telecontrol equipment and systems – Telecontrol protocols*
192 *compatible with ISO standards and ITU-T recommendations*

193 Object Management Group: UML 2.0 Specification – <http://www.omg.org>

194 **3 Terms and definitions**

195 **3.1 Terms and definitions overview**

196 For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions of IEC 61970-2 apply, as well as
197 the following.

198 NOTE Refer to International Electrotechnical Vocabulary, IEC 60050, for general glossary
199 definitions.

200 **3.2 energy management system**

201 **EMS**

202 computer system comprising a software platform providing basic support services and a set
203 of applications providing the functionality needed for the effective operation of electrical

204 generation and transmission facilities so as to assure adequate security of energy supply at
205 minimum cost

206 **3.3 application program interface**

207 **API**

208 the set of public functions provided by an executable application component for use by other
209 executable application components

210 **3.4 Canonical**

211 Canonical means reduced to the simplest and most significant form possible without loss of
212 generality.

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214 A canonical data model is a semantic model that is used as the common language of a group
215 of software systems that exchange information.

216 **3.5 unified modeling language**

217 **UML**

218 formal and comprehensive descriptive language with diagramming techniques used to
219 represent software systems, from requirements analysis, through design and implementation,
220 to documentation

221 UML has evolved from a collection of methods contributed by different practitioners, into an
222 International Standard. The CIM relies on UML for defining the model, and automated tools
223 generate the documentation, schemas, and other artifacts directly from the UML. A basic
224 understanding of UML is necessary to understand the CIM.

225 **3.6 OWL**

226 Web ontology language as defined by the W3C. An RDF technology ...

227 **3.7 profile**

228 subset of CIM classes, associations and attributes needed to accomplish a specific type of
229 interface

230 It may be expressed in XSD, RDF, and/or OWL files. A profile can be tested between
231 applications. A profile is necessary in order to "use" the DCIM. Several profiles are defined in
232 other parts of the IEC 61968 family of standards.

233 **3.8 MRID**

234 A master resource identifier as represented by the IdentifiedObject class attribute of
235 "mRID". This attribute is used as a unique and opaque identifier of the object and useful for
236 implementing references. The MRID is the identity for an instance of a business concept,
237 though that instance might evolve over time or have alternative implementations, its MRID
238 remains the same.

239 **3.9 IT**

240 Information technology as typically used in defining a group within an organization that
241 focuses on technical aspects of information coordination. For example, the IT department in
242 an organization is usually responsible for the management of user login and cyber security
243 credentials.

244 **4 Problem statement**

245 **4.1 Goals**

246 The goal is to reduce costs and increase the quality of information exchanges in an
247 integrated environment.

248 We know from experience that ad hoc implementation of data exchanges leads over time to a
249 complicated enterprise IT structure that is expensive to maintain and difficult to modify as
250 business requirements change. A preferred approach is to have a canonical CIM with the
251 intent to achieve semantic and methodological consistency.

252 The goal is to enable implementations using potentially different exchange technologies and
253 different internal technologies to efficiently cooperate as one larger system

254 **4.2 The role of profiles**

255 A CIM profile is the specification that relates an instance exchange to the Canonical CIM. As
256 such it is the key definition of how business exchanges are structured and used.
257 Implementations working with instance data exchanges are strictly governed by profiles. The
258 CIM is used to assist in giving consistency and meaning to the content of profiles but
259 implementation conformance can only be realized against a profile. Consistent semantics at
260 the profile level are critical for creating a working system with multiple implementations and
261 multiple profiles that must work together in achieving business goals.

262 This means that information about the same instance (i.e. mRID is the same) in different
263 messages/documents generated from different profiles use the same Canonical CIM
264 semantics, i.e. syntactic elements refer to existing semantic CIM definitions.

265 Deviations from the above prevent interoperability. In cases where the semantics is the same,
266 model transformation may enable interoperability. But if the semantics is different
267 interoperability becomes impossible. In such cases the semantic differences shall be
268 removed by unification at the Canonical CIM level.

269 **4.3 CIM as a Canonical information model**

270 Canonical models, like most information models, are much more effective when they are
271 *normalized*, which means that the canonical model (in this case, CIM) only has one way to
272 describe a given semantic.

273 Canonical models, as they grow to encompass many different business exchanges, can
274 become quite large and complex. It is important to organize the canonical models to facilitate
275 efficient profile development given that at any point in time there will be many active profiles
276 at all stages of profile life-cycles.

277 Extending the information model can be done either in the canonical part or in a profile. The
278 specification being created in this work will describe the rules for such extensions.

279 **4.4 Conflicting Interests**

280 There are conflicting interests which must be managed in order to make a Canonical CIM
281 work.

- 282 • **Semantic quality vs profile consistency.**
- 283 ○ The benefits of the Canonical CIM approach depend fundamentally on maintaining a
284 high level of semantic quality in the model:
 - 285 ▪ Normalize – there should be only one way to describe a given kind of thing.
 - 286 ▪ Effective – the modeling approach uses best available practice (which is an
287 evolving thing).
 - 288 ▪ Non-speculative – the modeling is backed up by real use cases.
- 289 ○ Semantic quality cannot be maintained purely by extensions. We know this from
290 experience with databases.
- 291 ○ Semantic change is driven by profile activity (either new or update), which is in turn
292 driven by the business problem being addressed by those profiles.
- 293 ○ When Canonical CIM changes are judged to be desirable, the newest CIM will be
294 inconsistent with some other existing profiles.
 - 295 ▪ Q: Should all profiles be updated even though there was no direct business
296 driver from their use cases?
 - 297 ▪ A: No, this will be economically and logistically impossible.

- 298 ○ It should be assumed that the set of profiles at any time will be derived from a
299 spectrum of CIM versions and will not be completely consistent with one another.
- 300 • **Product backward compatibility vs currency with latest Canonical CIM.**
- 301 ○ Profile updates are driven primarily by the profile's user community.
- 302 ▪ Primary driver will be new business requirements for the profile.
- 303 ▪ Secondary driver is 're-sync' with the latest Canonical CIM, the value of
304 which will be situation dependent.
- 305 ○ Whenever a profile is updated, products supporting that profile will have to be
306 modified and tested to remain current.
- 307 ▪ This can be a significant cost.
- 308 ▪ Products may avoid this cost if transformations are feasible between profile
309 versions.
- 310 ▪ Transformation between versions should be part of the profile
311 specification.
- 312 ○ A given product may support to 1 to n CIM profiles.
- 313 ▪ Products will be internally simpler if their CIM profiles have high consistency.
- 314 • **The enterprise canonical vs the standard Canonical CIM.**
- 315 ○ Enterprises adopting CIM semantic architecture inevitably need to define their own
316 additional semantics.
- 317 ▪ Strictly local semantics.
- 318 ▪ Candidate standard semantics.
- 319 ○ An Enterprise CIM should be 'harmonized' with the Canonical CIM.
- 320 ▪ Harmonization is defined by a profile which specifies a formal and complete
321 transformation between any semantically overlapped parts of the two
322 information models.
- 323 ▪ Harmonization profiles must be updated as new versions need to be
324 supported.
- 325 ○ Costs of products obeying the Canonical CIM will rise to the extent that enterprise
326 CIMs diverge from Canonical CIM.
- 327 • **Version mismatch and rolling upgrades in the enterprise.**
- 328 ○ A CIM enterprise (hundreds of profiles) will constantly need to consider how to
329 implement upgrades of different profiles.
- 330 ○ It shall be possible to upgrade any single application to support a new profile
331 without forcing simultaneous upgrade of other profiles supported by that
332 application. i.e. An application can support profiles derived from different Canonical
333 CIM versions.
- 334 ○ It shall be possible to upgrade the profile version (i.e. the message payload) without
335 synchronously requiring that all of the applications interoperating via that profile are
336 updated to the same profile.
- 337 ▪ Generally at least one source app would be upgraded – otherwise there is
338 nothing to produce the new payload.
- 339 ▪ There may be limits on how out-of-date other applications may be.
- 340 ○ Profile specifications shall stipulate any constraints on managing upgrades.
- 341 • **Historical data managed across Canonical CIM versions.**

- 342 ○ It will be common that data exchange instances via CIM profiles form the backbone
- 343 of historical information for the enterprise.
- 344 ○ Historical archives therefore will contain instances based on a progression of profile
- 345 versions.

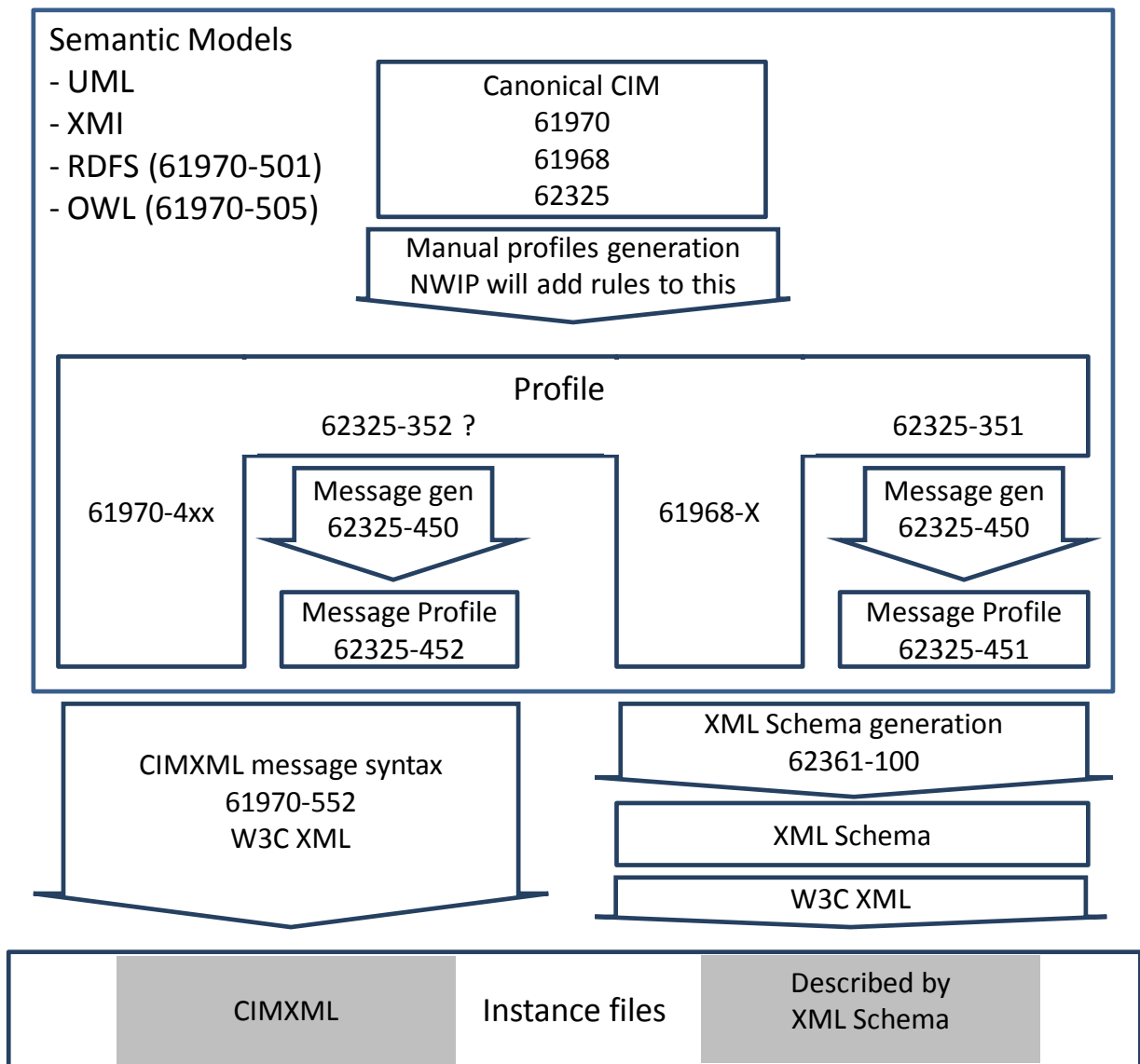
346 Applications dealing with history therefore deal with multiple versions of a profile.

347 **4.5 From semantic model to message syntax**

348 The existing IEC process how to create a message from the Canonical CIM is described in

349 Figure 1.

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354 **Figure 1 – From semantic model to message syntax**

355 The top of Figure 1 show the Canonical CIM semantic model. It has four alternate and

356 equivalent representations

- 357 • UML
- 358 • XMI
- 359 • RDFS
- 360 • OWL

361 UML and XMI have a graphical representation that is missing in RDFS and OWL. Hence the
 362 Canonical CIM is maintained as a UML model. XMI is a representation used for transfer of
 363 UML models between different tools.

364 TC57 working groups WG13, WG14 and WG16 create profiles from the Canonical CIM, this is
 365 a manual process. In Figure 1 the profiles are represented by the “F” shaped box labelled
 366 “Profile”. The profiles are described in RDFS/OWL but UML may also be used.

367 In cases when the rules governing the creation of the semantic profiles are insufficient or too
 368 limiting a second message generation step is needed. This step is labelled “Message gen” in
 369 Figure 1. The generated message is still described as a semantic model using UML or
 370 RDFS/OWL.

371 A profile or a message profile can be used either with CIMXML or XML Schema serialisations.
 372 The CIMXML syntax is described by IEC 61970-552. For XML Schema the corresponding
 373 schema file need to be derived for the profile or message profile. The XML Schema derivation
 374 is described by IEC 61362-100.

375 **4.6 Relationship of Profiles to instance messages**

376 Discuss validation of instance documents. The various kinds of constraints that might be
 377 applied and the

378 **4.7 Relationship of Profiles to information model**

379 Discuss the linkage of profile back to the information model. Discussion of restrictions on
 380 information model.

381 **4.8 Relationship of Profiles to other profiles**

382 Discuss the linkage of profile back to the information model.

383 **4.9 Profile requirements classifications rationale**

384 Want strong guidance to a normal approach and not steer toward extra complexity unless
 385 such complexity is warranted. The classification of different types of message exchange
 386 scenarios are useful to focus discussion on the recommended practices and give guidance
 387 for approaching situations that may require adjustments to the canonical approach.

388 **4.10 Profile requirements classifications**

389 **4.10.1 Profiles in normal situation**

390 Profiles that are not driven by environmental considerations are recommended to use this
 391 approach. This type of profile strictly uses a subset of the information model without any
 392 structural changes or renaming. The subset of the information model may consist of a select
 393 set of classes, attributes, and association ends. Additionally the profile contents may be
 394 restricted to a specific range. Examples of this type of profile include the IEC 61970-452
 395 Equipment Profile.

396 **4.10.2 Profiles respecting environmental constraints**

397 Outside factors, referred to as environmental factors may require modifications to the use of
 398 a normal profile to achieve specific goals for the message exchange. For example some
 399 messages may be required to work with extreme concerns about performance or without the
 400 use of MRID values.

401 **4.10.3 Profiles harmonizing with other semantics**

402 In the case a message profile must conform to semantics not based upon the CIM information
 403 model. For example when another standard message exists and CIM semantics are to be
 404 mapped onto the existing standard. These cases require more complex transformation
 405 process which may or may not be suitable to the capabilities provided by restricting the CIM
 406 information model.

407 **4.11 Requirements list**

408 Requirements are listed with classification in Table 1 – Requirements with classification.

409 **Table 1 – Requirements with classification**

Classification	Requirement
Normal	Any serialization techniques (such as RDF and XSD type messages) should be derived from same profile definition.
Normal	Header versioning in messages
Normal	Subset specification (cherry picking) of information model.
Normal	Constraining information model.
Normal	Typing at profile level
Normal	Inheritance flattening at profile level. Use of abstract classes in profiles.
Normal	Union and other XSD specifics
Normal	Incremental change exchanges work for RDF or XSD messages.
Normal	Traceable to the information source.
Normal/all	Standard means to communicate profile definitions among tools.
Normal/all	UML multiplicity of zero for profiles to work.
Normal/all	Large number of profiles to be managed.
Normal/all	Binding profile to specific information model version(s)
Environmental	Shorter names needed for higher performance.
Environmental	XML nesting required for higher performance.
Harmonization	Associations and identity are addressed without the use of MRID
Harmonization	Renaming to conform to another semantic model.
Harmonization	UML renaming or mapping in profiles – restate in terms of requirement not solution. Match existing names.
	RDF limitations in CIMTool
	Variations of profiles or sub profiles or profile inheritance
Normal	Producer information in headers
	Partitioning of information model and versioning
	MRID specification as UUID or string for example
Normal	Many to one profile association direction guidance
	OWL specification for profile
	UML specification for profile
Normal	Enumerations specifications for profile restrictions of non-enumerated types
Normal	Rules for selecting restrictions of information model
Normal	Transport but not understanding of private profile extension
Normal	Package specification hidden from profiles
	Other technologies (like Protobuf, CIM-E, JASON...)
Normal	Specification of constraints by OCL facets or other means.
Normal	Types for common restrictions on primitive types (like Float to Integer)

411 **4.12 Discussion of inheritance within the profile**

412 Discussion how inheritance in the information model relates to inheritance in the profile
413 specification. Specifically the rules for changing or adjusting the inheritance structure in the
414 profile in support of constraint specification. Also address how some technologies might not
415 support inheritance.

416 **4.13 Use case – Very simple cherry picking**

417 Describe use case for simple selection of content within CIM.

418 **4.14 Use case – Simple – just restrictions on information model**

419 No structural changes, but restrictions in string size or multiplicity (like making an attribute
420 required).

421 **4.15 Use case – Complex – inheritance not maintained**

422 Flatten inheritance like in XSD.

423 **4.16 Use case – Very Complex – ICCP example**

424 We have specially named associations and classes and types with different restrictions.

425 **4.17 Use case – Exchange of profile definition**

426 Use case to be defined for exchanging the profile definition among parties intending to
427 exchange messages based upon profiles.

428 **5 CIM profile specification**

429 **CIM profile modeling notations**

430 The CIM is defined using object-oriented modeling techniques. Specifically, the CIM
431 specification uses the Unified Modeling Language (UML) notation, which defines the CIM as a
432 group of packages.

433 Each package in the CIM contains one or more class diagrams showing graphically all the
434 classes in that package and their relationships. Each class is then defined in text in terms of
435 its attributes and relationships to other classes.

436 The UML notation is described in Object Management Group (OMG) documents and several
437 published textbooks.

438 **6 CIM profile exchange (normative)**

439 **6.1 Profile exchanges**

440 (To be completed.)

441 **6.2 Profile exchange definition in UML**

442 (To be completed.)

443 **6.3 Profile exchange definition in OWL**

444 (To be completed.)

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