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# **Document History**

Release	Date	Change	
1.0	2019-12-06	Initial Release	
1.1	2019-12-09	Updated Dates and Links	
1.2	2020-01-14	Addition of Permanent ID Test Case	
1.3	2020-02-21	Addition of Assembly Instance Styling Test Case	



#### 1 Introduction

The CAx Interoperability Forum (CAx-IF) is part of the Model-Based Interoperability Forum (MBx-IF), which is a joint effort between AFNeT, PDES, Inc. and prostep ivip. An interoperability forum is a logical collection of a user group and an implementer group, focused on specific capabilities of a named standard, in this case ISO 10303 STEP.

- The User Group is comprised of industry representatives, all members of at least one
  of the Interoperability Forum hosting organizations. The group will define and prioritize
  use cases, derive requirements and related validation properties as well as document
  user best practices.
- The **Implementor Group** is a group of software vendors, 3<sup>rd</sup> party integrators, and independent implementors, all members of at least one of the Interoperability Forum hosting organizations, that define recommended practices based on the prioritized use cases provided by the user group and validate them in test rounds.

The objectives of the CAx-IF concentrate primarily on testing the interoperability and compliance of STEP processors based on AP242 Ed. 1 & 2 and include documenting and prioritizing use cases, requirements and best practices to ensure completeness and consistency of the STEP standard and it implementations, implementing new functionalities based on users' requirements while ensuring these do not adversely affect existing implementations, avoiding roadblocks by establishing agreed-upon approaches, and increasing user confidence in STEP by providing interoperable commercial software products.

The CAx-IF's Implementor Group performs two test rounds per year for each domain and present summary results to the user community. Furthermore, Recommended Practices are developed, and issues are reported to the standards development community.

The test rounds in general combine testing of synthetic and production models. Production models will in most cases be provided by the user companies of the organizations AFNeT, PDES, Inc., and prostep ivip Association. When production models are not available from the user companies, "production-like" models will be solicited from the various CAx-IF participants.

This test suite includes synthetic models for testing the following capabilities: Product Manufacturing Information (PMI), both as Graphic Presentation and as Semantic Representation, 3D Tessellated Geometry, Kinematics, and Assembly Structure with External References in AP242 BO Model XML format.



# 1.1 Functionality tested in this round

Functionality tested in this round relates to:

- Product Manufacturing Information (PMI) describes the capability to embed information about dimensions, tolerances and other parameters which are necessary input for the manufacturing and measuring of the part from the 3D model. This round, the focus will be on the two approaches for the transfer of PMI in the 3D model:
  - "Tessellated Presentation" refers to breaking down each annotation into tessellated elements as supported by AP242 and exchanging them as geometry. This preserves the exact shape of the annotation but is human readable only. The test will include section views as well.
  - "Semantic Representation" refers to the intelligent transfer of PMI data in an associative and reusable way. This scenario aims towards driving downstream usage and later modifications of the model. The data is machine-readable, but not necessarily visible in the 3D model. The test also includes additional presentation data, which can be linked to the corresponding PMI representation.
- **Tessellated Geometry** is a simplified representation for the part shape, where the geometry is not given as an exact B-Rep model, but as a collection of simple planar faces (triangles) which can be easily and efficiently created and applied in specific use cases. The scope includes watertight tessellation and compressed STEP files.
- AP242 BO Model XML Assembly Structure is an implementation format introduced with AP242, and the designated process format for many applications in the aerospace and automotive industries. It will be used in combination with geometry formats matching the respective requirement. In the CAx-IF, the geometry files will be in STEP Part 21 format. The XML files contain the assembly structure and part master information. The tests, which are conducted jointly with the PDM-IF, primarily aim at improving CAx-PDM interoperability by ensuring that the different types of systems correctly cope with the different levels of information.
- Composite Materials are made by layering various plies of material on top of each other. They can be defined in an implicit-precise way, by giving the laminate tables, ply boundaries, orientation, materials, and laminated cores; or in an explicit-tessellated way by calculating the resulting 3D Tessellated Solid. Both representations can be linked to each other.
- **Kinematics** is a capability in AP242 that allows describing the motion of parts over time and in relation to each other. This includes the definition of mechanisms with joints and constraints, defining the kinematic relationships between the parts, as well as motions, which are defined by capturing the positions of the moving parts at discrete points in time. In order to cover Aerospace as well as Automotive use cases, and to increase the range of participating systems, this capability is being tested jointly with the JT-IF.
- Permanent Entity IDs enable the ability to track a product's model information during design iteration, and from design iteration through to manufacturing and quality analysis. This will allow downstream systems to update their representations of the design model and update their manufacturing and metrology planning to reflect changes in the design.

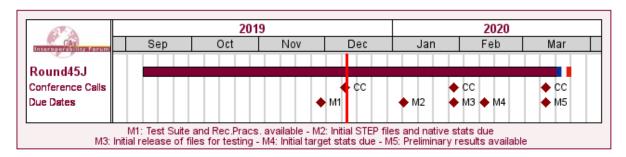
#### 1.2 General testing instructions for this round

The general procedures for communication of models and statistics are outlined in a separate document, named 'General Testing Instructions'. The document can be retrieved from the CAx Interoperability Forum web sites. The latest version is v1.13, dated September 29, 2017.



## 1.3 Testing Schedule

The following schedule has been agreed upon for Round 45J:



Date Action	
29 Nov 2019 (Fri)	Test Suite and Rec.Pracs. available
10 Dec 2019 (Tue)	1st CAx-IF Round45J Conference Call
6 Jan 2020 (Mon)	Initial STEP files and native stats due
29 Jan 2020 (Wed)	2nd CAx-IF Round45J Conference Call /
29 Jd11 2020 (Wed)	Initial release of files for testing
12 Feb 2020 (Wed)	Initial target stats due
11 Mar 2020 (Wed)	3rd CAx-IF Round45J Conference Call /
11 Mdi 2020 (Wed)	Preliminary results available
17 Mar 2020 (Tue) - 19 Mar 2020 (Thu)	CAx-IF Round45J Review Meeting in Toulouse, France

Figure 1: CAx-IF Round45J Schedule

The CAx-IF Round 45J Review meeting will take place in conjunction with a LOTAR workshop. In addition, conference calls and web sessions will be available for those not attending the meeting to dial in.

## 1.4 Copyrights on Test Cases

#### 1.4.1 CAx-IF

None of the production test cases which were provided by the AFNeT, PDES, Inc. and prostep ivip member companies may be publicly released for any purpose. The test cases can be freely distributed among the CAx-IF members and can be used for any purposes that are related to CAx-IF testing (i.e. testing, documentation of testing efforts, etc.), if a reference to the originating company is made.

The test cases must not be used for any purposes other than CAx-IF testing or outside of AFNeT, PDES, Inc. and prostep ivip. Test cases provided by the LOTAR project for testing of specific capabilities are applicable to the same restrictions and may not be used outside LOTAR or the CAx-IF.

## 1.4.2 NIST

The test cases developed at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) are not subject to copyright protection and are in the public domain. NIST assumes no responsibility for the components of the test system for use by other parties and makes no guarantees, expressed or implied, about their quality, reliability, or any other characteristic. The use of the CAD systems to create the Test Models does not imply a recommendation or endorsement by NIST.

For more details, read the disclaimer at <a href="http://go.usa.gov/mGVm">http://go.usa.gov/mGVm</a>



# 2 Synthetic Test Case Specifications

# 2.1 Test Case SP7: Semantic PMI Representation

All information about this test case can also be viewed in CAESAR on its Information page.

#### 2.1.1 Motivation

Product Manufacturing Information (PMI) is required for a number of business use cases in the context of STEP data exchange. Among others, it is a prerequisite for long-term data archiving. In addition, PMI can be used to drive downstream applications such as coordinate measuring and manufacturing.

Semantic PMI Representation relates to the capability to store PMI data in the STEP file in a computer-interpretable way, so that it can be used for model redesign or downstream applications. Though the definition of the data is complete, it is by itself not visible in the 3D model.

Additional presentation capabilities are needed to display the data in a way that it is visible to the user in the 3D model. The presentation data will not be formally evaluated in the SP7 test case, as this is the scope of the TGP3 test case (see section 2.2).

A wide variety of test models is available from NIST as well as prostep ivip, each containing a different selection of PMI elements. In the past, the overall success of PMI transfer was evaluated. In Round 45J, a focus scope will be defined for each model, and evaluation of the tests will concentrate on the characteristics of these particular PMI elements.

# 2.1.2 Approach

The approach to be used is described in the latest version (at least v4.0.6, dated August 15, 2019) of the "Recommended Practices for Representation and Presentation of PMI (AP242)", which can be found in the CAx-IF member area under "Information on Round44J of Testing".

Within the PMI domain, the following functionalities are in scope of Round 45J:

- Semantic PMI Representation
- Graphic PMI Presentation (Polyline or Tessellated)
- Correct implementation and definition of the Saved Views (view layout and contents)
- Linking of PMI Representation to Presentation
- Transfer of editable PMI text as User Defined Attributes
- Semantic PMI Representation Validation Properties

The AP242 schema to be used is the AP242 Edition 2 IS schema, which is available on the CAx-IF homepages under "Public Testing Information". Note that this is the same schema that was previously stored in the member area as AP242 Ed. 2 DIS schema; there have been no changes for the final publication.

<u>Pre-checking of files with SFA:</u> All vendors generating STEP files for the SP7 test case shall run them through the latest version of NIST's STEP File Analyzer and Viewer (SFA; currently version 3.82). The tool provides feedback on basic syntax errors such as missing or malformed entity instances. Files with such errors will not be accepted for testing.

SFA can be downloaded for free at https://go.usa.gov/yccx/

#### 2.1.3 Testing Instructions

The tests will be performed based on a verified set of test models, each with set of well-defined PMI elements. In Round 45J, the models developed in the context of the "MBE PMI Validation and Conformance Testing" project will be used again, as they have been designed with emphasis on particular PMI capabilities.



#### 2.1.3.1 NIST Test Model Overview

The NIST models are constantly updated to the latest CAD software releases by the respective system vendors, in order to improve the definition of the models using the latest CAD system capabilities.

The links to the test model definitions, the NIST web page for the MBE PMI Validation and Conformance Testing Project, and illustrations of the 11 test cases can be found at the end of this document in Annex B.

#### 2.1.3.2 NIST Test Model Access

The updated native CAD files can be downloaded using the hyperlinks in the list below:

- CATIA V5-6R2019 (all CTC models)
- Creo 4 (all CTC and all FTC models)
- NX12 (all CTC and all FTC models)
- SolidWorks MBD 2018 (all CTC and all FTC models)
- Inventor 2019 (all CTC and all FTC models)

Even though many updates have already been made by the respective system vendors, a number of verification issues remain to be solved. Should new native models with further updates become available during the test round, they will be distributed and announced accordingly.

#### 2.1.3.3 NIST Test Model Selection

A subset of the NIST test cases has been selected for Round 45J. Furthermore, for each test case, specific focus capabilities have been defined which will be the main objective for test evaluation this round:

- CTC-2: Datum Targets (points), Hole feature for multiple holes
- CTC-4: Dimensions, Tolerances for circular features
- CTC-5: Datum targets (rectangular), Spherical diameter, Good mix of geometric tolerances and modifiers
- FTC-6: Datum targets (lines and curves), radius, more holes
- FTC-9: Perpendicularity on hole diameter (every vendor had a different solution)

#### 2.1.4 Test Model Configuration

The following functionality shall be included in the test files provided for this round of testing, as far as it has been implemented by the CAx-IF participants and is described in the Recommended Practices:

- <u>PMI Representation</u> the re-usable representation of PMI data should be included in all SP7 models to the extent supported by the native system.
- PMI Graphic Presentation Many CAD systems require some minimal presentation information to be able to handle the PMI data in a model. Usually, both PMI representation and presentation data are included in the same file. Thus, some form of presentation information shall be included in the SP7 test case as well.
- <u>Definition of "Saved Views"</u> as far as supported, include the saved views defined in the models, which contain a subset of annotations in the file, and provide a pre-defined position of the model in the design space.
  - All models have multiple Saved Views defined. In the test case definition documents, each page of the PDF document represents one Saved View.



For each view, a screenshot showing the model layout (displayed elements, orientation, zoom) shall be provided.

**Note** that it is possible to attach several screenshots to one set of statistics in CAESAR. The name of the view shall be given as description for the screenshot.

- o Both "basic" and "advanced" view implementations are allowed.
- The Saved Views shall also correctly show (or hide) the part geometry, as well as the non-solid Supplemental Geometry contained in some of the models (see section 9.4.2 / Figure 92 in the PMI Rec. Practices v4.0.6. An additional document pointing out important supplemental geometry elements for the NIST test cases is available in the CAx-IF member area, under "Information on Round 42J of testing".
- <u>Editable PMI Text</u> Some information relevant for PMI is not encoded in semantic entities, but given as plain text, such as the title block information or additional text on feature control frames. In the context of semantic data exchange, this content needs to be editable in the target system. The approach to be used for this is based on the transfer of User Defined Attributes, and its application in the context of PMI is described in section 7.4 of the PMI Recommended Practices v4.0.6.
- <u>Linking PMI Representation to Presentation</u> If a model contains PMI Representation information as well as Presentation data, the corresponding elements shall be linked together, so that a Representation element "knows" which annotation it is being presented in the model. The approach to create this link is described in section 7.3 of the PMI Rec. Pracs. (v4.0.6).
- <u>Validation Properties</u> All participants providing STEP files for this test case are encouraged to include validation properties as far as supported. In particular, for vendors already working on the topic, validation properties for Semantic PMI Representation should be included in the test files, based on section 10.1 in the PMI Recommended Practices v4.0.6.

Also refer to Annex A for test model translation configuration considerations.

#### 2.1.5 Statistics

For each STEP file exported or imported for the SP7 test case, vendors must submit the corresponding statistics. To do so, go to the [SP7 Data Sheet], and either fill in the web form, or upload a comma-delimited file (.csv) with the data as listed below.

## **Native Statistics**

When exporting a STEP file, report what data importing systems should expect to find. For numeric statistics, enter the respective value or 'na' if not supported. For other statistics, select either 'full support' (i.e. test case and Rec. Pracs. definitions are fulfilled), 'limited support' (meaning the implementation does not meet all criteria and issues may be expected on import), or 'na' if not supported.

#### **Target Statistics**

When importing a STEP file, report the results after processing the file as described below.

#### **Screenshots**

If presentation information is contained in the test files, it shall be accompanied by corresponding screenshots. Note that CASEAR allows the addition of multiple screenshots per dataset.

<u>Note</u> that in order to count the GD&T elements for the statistics, per agreement during the R22J Review Meeting, the actual STEP entity types (datum, datum\_target...) shall be considered.

**Note** that based on the Round 35J results, a new count has been added for Composite Tolerances as defined in section 6.9.9. of the PMI Rec. Pracs. (v4.0.6).



<u>Note</u> that all statistics – native and target – shall be based on the Semantic PMI Representation data only, and not take any presentation into account.

<u>Note</u> that for evaluation, the spreadsheets generated by the STEP File Analyzer and Viewer will be amended with corresponding aggregations of relevant counts and charts.

#### **Data Sheet Columns**

column name	description	
model	The name of the test model, here 'sp7', with one of the following suffixed: 02, 04, 05, 06, 09.	
system_n	The system code of the CAD system creating the STEP file	
system_t	The system code of the CAD system importing the STEP file. For native stats, select 'stp'	
scope	A short designation for the contents of the model as defined in the Test Suite. This is for information only; there will be no results for this field.	
dimensions	The number of dimensions processed	
datums	The number of datums processed	
datum_targets	The number of datum targets processed	
tolerances	The number of tolerances (all types combined) processed, regardless of composition.	
compos_tols	The number of composite tolerances processed (number of instances of geometric_tolerance_relationship per section 6.9.9. in the PMI Rec. Pracs. v4.0).	
labels	The number of labels processed	
pmi_semantic_txt	all/partial/none – whether 'semantic' (editable) PMI text was transferred correctly (content and associativity)	
pmi_semantic_val- prop	all/partial/none – whether the validation properties for Semantic PMI Representation matched for all, some or none of the semantic PMI elements.	
saved_view	The name of the Saved View which is the basis for the view-re- lated statistics	
view_annot	The number of annotations included in the specified saved view.	
view_pos	pass/fail, whether the model orientation and zoom factor stored for the Saved View could be restored successfully.	
elem_visibility	all/partial/none – whether all, some, or none of the elements to be displayed in the indicated saved view were mapped correctly into the corresponding draughting_model.	
pmi_graphic_pres	all/partial/none – whether the graphic PMI annotations included in the file could be processed correctly	
pmi_present_val- prop	all/partial/none – whether the validation properties for Graphic PMI Presentation matched for all, some or none of the presentation elements.	
pmi_linked_pres_rep	all/partial/none – whether the Semantic PMI Representation elements and (Graphic) PMI Presentation elements were linked correctly together.	
date	The date when the statistics were last updated (will be filled in automatically)	
issues	A short statement on issues with the file	



# Test Case TGP3: 3D Tessellated Geometry & Tessellated PMI Presentation

All information about this test case can also be viewed in CAESAR on its Information page.

# 2.2.1 Motivation

In addition to use cases that require a fully defined, precise, semantic definition of the part geometry and associated PMI, as is the focus of the SP7 test case described above, there are also scenarios where the presentation of the data - geometry and annotations - for visual consumption are the primary goal. In such cases, a simplified and optimized version of the model is sufficient.

For this purpose, AP242 introduced a data model for tessellated geometry, which can be used for tessellated part geometry, and also for graphic presentation of PMI in a much more efficient way than was the case with Polylines – especially in the case of filled characters. Tessellated PMI Presentation has been tested in combination with precise B-Rep geometry during previous test rounds; in Round 45J, the focus is a pure visualization scenario, where the part shape as well as the graphic PMI are given as tessellated geometry.

## 2.2.2 Approach

The approach to be used for Tessellated PMI Presentation is described in the latest version (at least v4.0.6, dated August 15, 2019) of the "Recommended Practices for Representation and Presentation of PMI (AP242)", which can be found in the CAx-IF member area under "Information on Round44J of Testing".

The approach to be used for the definition of the part shape is defined in the "Recommended Practices for Tessellated 3D Geometry" (v1.1; 2019-08-22), available on the public CAx-IF web sites under "Public Testing Information".

The preferred AP242 schema to be used is the AP242 Edition 2 IS schema, which can be found on the public CAx-IF web sites under "Public Testing Information". As a fallback, the AP242 Edition 1 IS version can be used.

Pre-checking of files with SFA: All vendors generating STEP files for the TGP3 test case shall run them through the latest version of NIST's STEP File Analyzer and Viewer (SFA; currently version 3.82). The tool provides feedback on basic syntax errors such as missing or malformed entity instances. Files with such errors will not be accepted for testing.

SFA can be downloaded for free at https://go.usa.gov/yccx/.

## 2.2.3 Testing Instructions

The tests will be performed based on a subset of the NIST test models; see test case SP7 for details.

#### 2.2.3.1 Test Model Overview

See section 2.1.3.1 above, as well as Annex B.

#### 2.2.3.2 Test Model Access.

See section 2.1.3.2 above.

#### 2.2.3.3 Test Model Selection

In order to reduce the workload for the participating vendors, not all eleven models shall be tested in Round 45J. The following five models have chosen:

- CTC 2 & 5
- FTC 6, 8 & 9



This selection still covers a wide range of PMI elements, while reducing the number of exchanges to be done for each interface vendor.

Note: CAx-IF participants are requested to provide STEP files for as many NIST models as feasible. All files will be checked in detail by Bob Lipman using the latest version of the STEP File Analyzer and Viewer (SFA). Only the five models listed above will be fully checked through CAESAR, in order to keep the total effort required at a reasonable level.

# 2.2.3.4 Test Model Configuration

The following functionality shall be included in the test files provided for this round of testing, as far as it has been implemented by the CAx-IF participants and is described in the respective Recommended Practices:

- Tessellated 3D Geometry include the part shape as tessellated geometry. If supported, water-tight tessellation shall be used. B-Rep geometry will be accepted only if Tessellated Geometry isn't supported at all on export.
- Tessellated Presentation include the PMI elements as tessellated annotations. Stroked, outline, and filled fonts (and combinations) are allowed, as well as styling of the annotations (colors).
- Definition of "Saved Views" as far as supported, include the saved views defined in the models, which contain a subset of annotations in the file, and provide a pre-defined position of the model in the design space.
  - All models have multiple Saved Views defined. In the test case definition documents, each page of the PDF document represents one Saved View.
  - For each view, a screenshot showing the model layout (displayed elements, orientation, zoom) shall be provided.
    - Note that it is possible to attach several screenshots to one set of statistics in CAESAR. The name of the view shall be given as description for the screenshot.
  - Both "basic" and "advanced" view implementations are allowed.
  - The Saved Views also shall correctly show (or hide) the part geometry, as well as the non-solid Supplemental Geometry contained in some of the models (see section 9.4.2 / Figure 92 in the PMI Rec. Practices v4.0.6). An additional document pointing out important supplemental geometry elements for the NIST test cases is available in the CAx-IF member area, under "Information on Round 42J of testing".
- Cross-highlighting of annotations and annotated shape if supported, include in the STEP file the information necessary to maintain the association between annotations and the annotated shape elements in a way, that after import, when highlighting an annotation, the shape elements annotated by it are highlighted too, and vice versa.
- Validation Properties for Tessellated Geometry and Presentation as far as supported and applicable, include validation properties for tessellated 3D geometry as well as tessellated PMI presentations, making sure they are associated with the correct target elements and do not interfere with each other, and evaluate these after import.

Also refer to Annex A for test model translation configuration considerations.

Note that for the creation of the Equivalent Unicode String, the mapping as defined by the "Unicode String Project" report (Revision J) shall be used. This document is available on the public CAx-IF homepages, under "Joint Testing Information".

Note that for the PMI validation properties, the new optimized implementation structure for validation properties can be used. This is currently defined in section 4.12 of the "Recommended Practices for Geometric and Assembly Validation Properties" (v4.5, dated August 22, 2019), which can be found on the CAx-IF homepages, under "Public Testing Information".



#### 2.2.3.5 Statistics

For each STEP file exported or imported for the TGP3 test case, vendors must submit the corresponding statistics to CAESAR. To do so, go to the [ TGP3 Data Sheet ], and either fill in the web form, or upload a comma-delimited file (.csv) with the data as listed below.

#### **View-related Statistics**

Several of the Statistics for this test case are view-related (e.g. number of annotations, positioning/scaling). The statistics cannot evaluate this for all views in the model. Hence, the idea is to select one specific (interesting) view on export and publish its name in the "Saved View" field of the statistics. It is recommended to use the first view (by name, alphabetized) in the model. Then, fill in the other view-related statistics with the values as valid for this particular view. After import, select the view with the name given in the native statistics and again provide the values valid for this view.

#### **Native Statistics**

When exporting a STEP file, report what data importing systems should expect to find. For numeric statistics, enter the respective value or 'na' if not supported. For other statistics, select either 'full support' (i.e. test case and Rec. Pracs. definitions are fulfilled), 'limited support' (meaning the implementation does not meet all criteria and issues may be expected on import), or 'na' if not supported.

#### **Target Statistics**

When importing a STEP file, report the results found after processing the file as described in the table below.

#### **Screenshots**

For each Saved View in the model, provide one screenshot, which illustrates the layout (displayed geometry and annotation, model orientation, and zoom factor). Give the name of the view as the description of the screenshot.

<u>Note</u> that in order to count the PMI elements for the statistics, per agreement during the Round 22J Review Meeting, the names of the tessellated geometric set shall be considered.

See section "Indicating the Presented PMI Type" in the PMI Rec. Practices for details.

#### **Data Sheet Columns**

column name	Description		
model	The name of the test model, here: 'TGP3' followed by the model index; e.g. 'TGP3-03'.		
system_n	The system code of the CAD system creating the STEP file		
system_t	The system code of the CAD system importing the STEP file. For native stats, enter 'stp'		
dimension	The number of dimensions processed		
datums	The number of datums processed		
datum_targets	The number of datum targets processed		
tolerances	The number of tolerances processed		
labels	The number of labels processed		
saved_view	The name of the Saved View which is the basis for the view-related statistics		
view_annot	The number of annotations included in the specified saved view.		
view_pos	pass/fail, whether the model orientation and zoom factor stored for the Saved View could be restored successfully.		



elem_visibility	all/partial/none – whether all, some, or none of the elements to be displayed in the indicated saved view were mapped correctly into the corresponding draughting_model.
highlight all/partial/none – whether the cross-highlighting for annotation and annotated shape elements works correctly	
tess_pmi_area	all/partial/none – whether the surface area of the Tessellated PMI annotations was validated successfully for all, some or none of the given annotations.
tess_pmi_clength	all/partial/none – whether the total length of segments per Tessellated PMI annotation was validated successfully for all, some or none of the given annotations.
tess_pmi_c	all/partial/none – whether the centroids of the Tessellated PMI annotations were validated successfully for all, some or none of the given annotations.
eq_unicode	all/partial/none - if the encoding of the equivalent Unicode string was correct for all, some or none of the given annotations.
valid_tess_vp	pass/fail, is the instantiation of the validation properties for Tessellated Geometry in the STEP file per the recommended practices?
affected_geo	all/partial/none – whether the affected geometry could be validated correctly for all, some or none of the PMI statements in the model.
date	The date when the statistics were last updated (will be filled in automatically)
issues	A short statement on issues with the file

# Test Case PDM5: AP242 BO Model XML PDM Interoperability

All information about this test case can also be viewed in CAESAR on its Information page.

#### 2.3.1 Motivation

The AP242 BO Model XML is the designated standard process format for the automotive and aerospace industries. As such, it is being used in a variety of use cases. One of its main application scenarios is the exchange of Product Data Management (PDM) information. To develop the specific capabilities needed for this, the PDM-IF has been launched, and has just concluded its sixth round of testing.

The Recommended Practices for AP242 BO Model XML Product & Assembly Structure are a joint publication of the PDM-IF with the CAx-IF and the JT-IF.

CAx-PDM Interoperability has been tested in previous rounds of CAx-IF and PDM-IF testing and led to improvements in the Recommended Practices as well as the participating interfaces. The PDM-IF has identified OEM-Supplier collaboration as a test case within its "Visual Issue Management" use case. This represents the scenario where an OEM with a sophisticated PLM landscape works together with a smaller supplier who uses the CAD system directly. For these tests, the PDM-IF takes on the role of the customer while the CAx-IF acts as the Supplier.

This results in the testing procedure shown in Figure 2 below for the PDM5 test case:

- 1. Import data (AP242 XML Structure + AP242 Part 21 Geometry) provided by the PDM-IF (step 7). Note that markups / redlining is out of scope this round.
- 2. Introduce changes (e.g., change position of components, add (duplicate) part instances in a different location etc.) (step 8)
- 3. Re-export the data to AP242 XML + AP242 Part 21 Geometry. This re-exported data will be handed back to the PDM-IF (step 9).



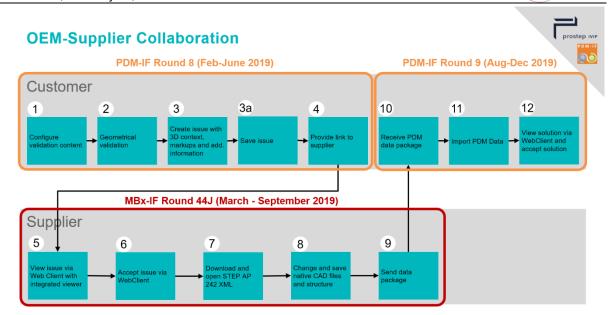


Figure 2: Overview of the PDM-IF "OEM-Supplier Collaboration" Use Case

## 2.3.2 Approach

The following schemas and documents shall be used for this test:

- AP242 Business Object Model XML for schema location, see the corresponding Rec. Practices listed below.
- Recommended Practices for AP242 (TC) Business Object Model XML Assembly Structure, version 2.0.7, dated December 6, 2019
  - This document is available in the CAx-IF member area under "Information on Round 45J of Testing".
  - The relevant section 16 "CAx-PDM Interoperability Guide" in the AP242 XML Recommended Practices for Product and Assembly Structure (v2.0.7) has been extended to cover recommendations for the handling of multiple part IDs and multiple languages, which will be relevant for Round 45J.
- AP242 Edition 1 or Edition 2 Longform EXPRESS schema for the geometry files.

Unless otherwise noted, all documents are available on the CAx-IF homepage under "Joint Testing Information".

## 2.3.3 Testing Instructions

Data from PDM-IF Test Round 9 is available in the CAx-IF member area in the Round 45J STEP file vault. Corresponding native statistics are provided in CAESAR.

The following files are provided by the JT-IF:

Package	AP242 Version	Base Model	File Structure	Source System
Multi_ID DS	ТС	Toy Block Car	All in one	3DExperience



The tasks for the CAx-IF participants in Round 45J are to:

- Import the data, following the recommendations provided in the "CAx-PDM Interoperability Guide" (AP242 XML Recommended Practices v2.0.7 section 16).
- Report the results on importing the data (see section 2.3.4 below)
- Introduce a PDM-relevant change in the model, e.g.
  - o a change in the assembly structure (adding / moving / deleting a component)
  - o modification of the part geometry (generating a new part file)
  - o Please provide short documentation (e.g. a presentation slide) of the changes
- Re-export the data as AP242 XML + AP242 Part 21 Geometry
  - For this test to work, it is essential that the original Part IDs from the PDM system are preserved and re-exported, see sections 4.6.6 and 5.1.6 on "exchange identification information" in the Rec. Practices

#### 2.3.4 Statistics

For each STEP file imported for the PDM4 test case, vendors must submit the corresponding statistics to CAESAR. To do so, go to the [ PDM5 Data Sheet ], and either fill in the web form, or upload a comma-delimited file (.csv) with the data as listed below.

#### **Target Statistics**

When importing a STEP file, report the results found after post-processing the file as described in the table below.

#### **Data Sheet Columns**

column name	Description		
model	The name of the test model, here: 'PDM5'		
system_n	The system code of the CAD system creating the STEP file		
system_t	The system code of the CAD system importing the STEP file. For native stats, enter 'stp'		
fref_found	all/partial/none - indicates if all, some or none of the references to the external files can be found in the assembly structure file(s), and if they are correctly associated with the respective nodes in the assembly structure.		
fref_processed	all/partial/none - indicates if all, some or none of the referenced files were processed correctly to successfully construct the overall model.		
exchange_id	all/partial/none - indicates if all, some or none of the exchange IDs for the referenced parts were successfully transferred.		
assem_struct	pass/fail - if the model structure (assembly tree) was transferred correctly, i.e. no nodes have been added or removed, and all elements are on the correct hierarchical level.		
assem_place	all/partial/none - whether the placement of assembly components is correct		
children	pass/fail, indicates whether the number of children for each node in the assembly tree matches the AVP value given in the STEP file		
valid_child	pass/fail, is the instantiation of the validation property 'number of children' in the STEP file as per the recommended practices for validation properties?		
notional_solids	all/partial/none, whether the position of all, some or none of the assembly components in the model could be validated throug the 'notional solids' AVP.		



	pass/fail, is the instantiation of the validation property 'notional solids' in the STEP file as per the recommended practices for validation properties?
date	The date when the statistics were last updated (will be filled in automatically)
issues	A short statement on issues with the file

#### 2.4 Test Case KM1: Kinematics

All information about this test case can also be viewed in CAESAR on its Information page.

#### 2.4.1 Motivation

CAD methods have been used for many years now to design individual parts and assemblies of all sizes across all industries, from a single rivet to an entire airplane. Classically, the main focus is to ensure that the part can be manufactured correctly.

Products such as cars or planes are not static, however, contain many moving components: engine, power windows, foldable roof, windshield wipers, cargo doors, etc. Thus, Kinematics are used to ensure they move correctly, and also to illustrate the behavior of the finished product. The use cases range from the definition of the Kinematic Mechanism, providing all relationships and constraints between the elements so that their definition can be changed in the receiving application, to Kinematic Motion, which works like a movie by providing discrete positions of the components over time.

The goal is to use a neutral standard format – AP242 BO Model XML – for the definition of the Kinematic mechanisms and motion, with external references to the applicable geometry format for the respective use case.

#### 2.4.2 Approach

The approaches for "Kinematic Mechanism" and "Kinematic Motion" are described in the "Recommended Practices for STEP AP242 TC Business Object Model XML Kinematics", Version 0.10 (dated August 26, 2019), which can be found in the CAD member area of the CAx-IF web sites under "Information on Round 44J of Testing".

During the development of these capabilities, several new entity types have been defined to improve the implementation structure. This will be included in AP242 with the DIS release of Edition 2. To enable immediate testing, a trial XSD schema is available, which is built by extending the AP242 TC schema with these new entities. It is available at the following URL:

https://www.cax-if.de/xml-schema/3001/20170810/bom 20170810.xsd

The corresponding name space definition is given in the aforementioned Recommended Practices, Section 1.1.2.

The Kinematic capabilities for AP242 XML are developed jointly by the CAx-IF and the JT-IF, thus supporting Aerospace as well as Automotive requirements, and also broadening the scope of participating STEP translators. To ease the exchange of the files, the part geometry files for the KM1 test model are available in STEP AP242 Part 21 as well as ISO JT (JT v9.5) format, so the AP242 XML file references can easily be adapted for the preferred geometry format.

Based on this approach, Kinematic test files...

- ...from JT-IF Round 18 (August November 2019) will be fed into CAx-IF Round 45J. Details on the provided files will be added to an updated revision of this document.
- ...from CAx-IF Round 45J will be passed on to JT-IF Round 19 (February June 2020)



The following files are provided by the JT-IF:

Model	CAD System	Translator	Scope
km1-s5-242	CATIA V5	T-Systems COM/FOX	Mechanism
km1-ct5-242	CATIA V5	CT CoreTechnologie 3D_Evoluton	Mechanism
km1-cto-242	Creo 3	CT CoreTechnologie 3D_Evoluton	Mechanism
km1-ctx-242	NX 11	CT CoreTechnologie 3D_Evoluton	Mechanism

#### 2.4.3 Testing Instructions

A set of sample models is provided for this first Kinematics test. The mechanism can best be described as a single-cylinder piston engine. The model is available in the following native formats:

- CATIA V5R21
- Creo 3.0
- NX 11

The files can be found in the File Repository inside the CAx-IF member area, in the folder "/CAD/Round 41J/Kinematics".

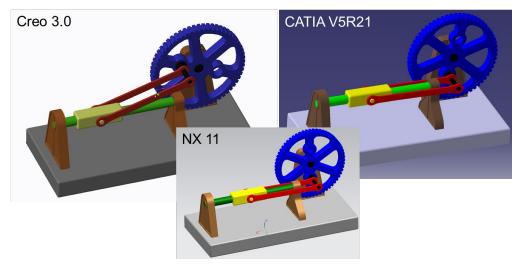


Figure 3: Illustration of the KM1 test models

The following is in scope of Round 45J:

- <u>Kinematic Motion</u> provides discrete positions of the moving components with a time index and can be played back similar to a stop-motion animation. This capability is aimed mostly at viewing and long-term archiving scenarios, because it does not require the target application to have a kinematic solver.
- <u>Kinematic Mechanism</u> includes the definition of kinematic pairs (joints and constraints) and actuators. The goal is that the mechanism is editable in the target system, while preserving the dependencies defined in the original system.
- Assembly & Kinematic Data shall be provided in a single AP242 BO Model XML file.
- Geometry shall be included as STEP AP242 Part 21 precise B-Rep files.



<u>Note</u> that the Kinematic capabilities (Mechanism as well as Motion) are tested in cooperation with the JT Implementor Forum, in order to increase the number of participating systems and to enable exchange of data between different systems. This requires replacing the geometry files as well as the file references in the AP242 XML file but has no impact on the actual Kinematic capabilities.

#### 2.4.4 Statistics

For each STEP file exported or imported for the KM1 test case, vendors must submit the corresponding statistics. To do so, go to the [KM1 Data Sheet], and either fill in the web form, or upload a comma-delimited file (.csv) with the data as listed below.

#### **Native Statistics**

When exporting a STEP file, report what data importing systems should expect to find. For numeric statistics, enter the respective value or 'na' if not supported. For other statistics, select 'full support' (i.e. test case and Rec. Pracs. definitions are fulfilled), 'limited support' (meaning the implementation does not meet all criteria and issues may be expected on import), or 'na' if not supported.

## **Target Statistics**

When importing a file, report the results found after processing the file as described below.

# **Kinematics-specific Statistics**

For more detailed information about and discussion of in the Kinematics-specific statistics, please refer to section 4.12 of the Kinematics Recommended Practices mentioned above.

#### **Data Sheet Columns**

column name	description	
model	The name of the test model, here 'SM2'	
system_n	The system code of the CAD system creating the STEP file	
system_t	The system code of the CAD system importing the STEP file. For native stats, select 'stp'	
assem_struct	pass/fail - if the model structure (assembly tree) was transferred correctly, i.e. no nodes have been added or removed, and all elements are on the correct hierarchical level.	
kin_motions	The number of Kinematic Motions defined in the model	
kin_motion_paths	The number of paths defined for a Kinematic Motion	
kin_mechanisms	The number of Kinematic Mechanisms defined in the model	
kin_mech_pairs	The number of low/high order Kinematic Pairs defined for a Kinematic Mechanism	
kin_mech_acts	The number of Kinematic Pairs that have a non-zero value in the attribute 'actuation', i.e. where an initial movement can occur	
date	The date when the statistics were last updated (will be filled in automatically)	
issues	A short statement on issues with the file	



# 2.5 Test Case CO2: Composite Materials (Ply Contour)

All information about this test case can also be viewed in CAESAR on its Information page.

#### 2.5.1 Motivation

For several years, some STEP composite interfaces have been available in several CAD tools such as CATIA V5, FiberSIM and in CT CoreTechnologie tools, with a certain level of maturity proven by LOTAR pilot projects.

The goal of including Composite Materials in a CAx-IF test round is to align these implementations and provide an official framework for composite materials implementation tests as STEP AP 242e1 since it includes this capability.

## 2.5.2 Approach

The scope of this test case is the "exact implicit" representation of composites where the ply geometry is based on surfaces and contours. "Basic" composite validation properties at the part level are also in scope of this test case. The approximate explicit representation of composite plies, where there is a 3D tessellated solid for each ply, is out of scope for this test case.

The approach is to export and to import composite information in STEP AP242 based on the:

- AP242 Edition 2 IS Longform Express Schema, available on the CAx-IF homepage under "Public Testing Information".
- The "AP242 Edition 1 MIM Longform EXPRESS Schema with Composite Patch" can be used as a fallback
- Recommended Practices for Composite Materials; Version 3.4; June 13, 2017
- Draft Recommended Practices for Composite Structure Validation Properties; Release 0.14; July 23, 2019

As the validation properties recommended practices have not been completely agreed upon, some tests will be done by end user checks.

#### 2.5.3 Testing Instructions

The test case CPD\_PUBLIC\_LOTAR.CATPart will be used. The model has been provided by Airbus Helicopter.

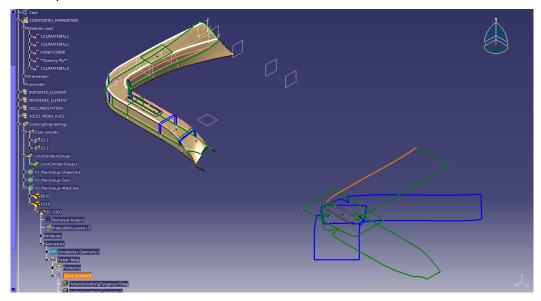


Figure 4: Illustration of the CO2 Test Case

The test case is available in the member area of the CAx-IF homepages, under "Information on Round 40J of Testing".



#### 2.5.4 Statistics

For each STEP file exported or imported for the CO2 test case, vendors must submit the corresponding statistics. To do so, go to the [ CO2 Data Sheet ], and either fill in the web form, or upload a comma-delimited file (.csv) with the data as listed below.

#### **Native Statistics**

When exporting a STEP file, report what data importing systems should expect to find. For numeric statistics, enter the respective value or 'na' if not supported. For other statistics, select either 'full support' (i.e. test case and Rec. Pracs. definitions are fulfilled), 'limited support' (meaning the implementation does not meet all criteria and issues may be expected on import), or 'na' if not supported.

#### **Target Statistics**

When importing a file, report the results found after processing the file as described below:

#### **Ply-related Statistics**

Several of the Statistics for this test case are related to a specific ply within a specific sequence (e.g., material, orientation, rosette). The statistics cannot evaluate this for all plies in the model. Hence, the idea is to select one specific (interesting) sequence and ply on export, and to publish its name in the "Composite Ply Sequence" field of the statistics. Then, fill in the other plyrelated statistics with the values as valid for this particular sequence and ply. After import, select the sequence and ply with the name given in the native statistics, and again provide the values valid for this particular sequence and ply.

The sequence and ply to be used for evaluating the CO2 test case in Round 45J is:

PLY SC-0035 of SEQUENCE A035

#### **Statistics for Core Sample Point**

The position of the point for the Core Sample shall be given for:

CORE SAMPLE CS1

#### Statistics for Flatten Pattern

The length of the curve contour of the flatten pattern shall be given for:

PLY SC0200 of SEQUENCE C010

## **Data Sheet Columns**

These statistics will be enhanced in future test rounds, especially with the release of newer versions of the Recommended Practices for Composite Structure Validation Properties.

column name	description
model	The name of the test model, here 'CO3'
system_n	The system code of the CAD system creating the STEP file
system_t	The system code of the CAD system importing the STEP file. For native stats, select 'stp'
unit	The unit the model is designed in
compos_tables	The number of Composite Tables in the Model
sequences	The number of Sequences in the model
plies	The total number of plies in the file
num_materials	Total number of Materials defined
compos_table_name	The name of the Composite Table of the model



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column name	description	
ply_sequence	The ID of the Sequence and the ID of the Ply within that Sequence for all ply-related statistics; e.g., "Ply.P4 of Sequence.S4".	
seq_ply_number	The total number of Plies defined within the Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.	
seq_ply_material	The name of the Material of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.	
seq_ply_mat_type	The type of Material of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.	
seq_ply_orient	pass/fail - whether the orientation of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet was correct	
seq_ply_rosette	The name of the Rosette of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.	
ply_surface_area	The value of the area of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.	
num_core_samples	The total number of core samples in the file	
cs_pointx	Position of the point for the Core Sample indicated in the Test Suite.	
cs_pointy		
cs_pointz		
fp_length	The length of the curve contour of the Flatten pattern of the ply and sequence indicated in the Test Suite document.	
validation_c_tables	Total number of Composite Tables in the model, as received via the validation properties capability	
validation_sequences	Total number of Sequences as received via the validation properties capability	
validation_plies	Total number of Plies (entire assembly) as received via the validation properties capability	
validation_c_materials	Total number of Materials as received via the validation properties capability	
validation_c_orient	pass/fail, indicates whether the Number of Orientations per part in the model matches the Composite validation property value given in the STEP file	
validation_ply_area	pass/fail, indicates whether the sum of all ply surface areas in the part matches the Composite validation property value given in the STEP file	
validation_ply_centroid	pass/fail, indicates whether the sum of all ply geometric centroids in the part matches the Composite Validation Property value given in the STEP file	
valid_cvp	pass/fail, is the instantiation of the validation properties for Tessellated Geomtry in the STEP file as per the recommended practices?	
date	The date when the statistics were last updated (will be filled in automatically)	



column name	description
issues	A short statement on issues with the file

# Test Case CO3: Composite Materials (3D Explicit Ply Representation)

All information about this test case can also be viewed in CAESAR on its Information page.

#### 2.6.1 Motivation

For several years, some STEP composite interfaces have been available in several CAD tools such as CATIA V5, FiberSIM and in CT CoreTechnologie tools, with a certain level of maturity proven by LOTAR pilot projects.

The goal of including Composite Materials in a CAx-IF test round is to align these implementations and provide an official framework for composite materials implementation tests as STEP AP 242e1 includes this capability.

# 2.6.2 Approach

The scope of this test case is the "3D tessellated" representation for each ply. The approximate explicit representation of composite plies includes a 3D tessellated solid for each ply.

The approach is to export and import the composite information in STEP AP242 based on the Recommended Practices for Composite Materials; Version 3.4; June 13, 2017. The document is available in the member area of the CAx-IF homepages, under "Information on Round 40J of Testing".

Implementation requires at least using the "AP242 Edition 1 MIM Longform EXPRESS Schema with Composite Patch", which is available in the same location.

The recommended schema to use, though, is the "AS242 Edition 2 IS Longform EXPRESS Schema", which is available on the CAx-IF homepage under "Joint Testing Information".

Refer to Annex C for further information on the extended data model.

As the validation properties recommended practices have not been completely agreed upon, the tests will be done by end user checks.

#### 2.6.3 Testing Instructions

The test case ASME Y14.37 RosetteType2.CATPart will be used. The model has been provided by The Boeing Company.

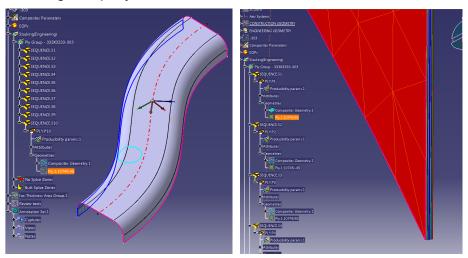


Figure 5: Illustration of the CO3 Test Case

The test model contains the 3D tessellated representation of each ply.



The test case is available in the member area of the CAx-IF homepages, under "Information on Round 40J of Testing".

#### 2.6.4 Statistics

For each STEP file exported or imported for the CO3 test case, vendors must submit the corresponding statistics. To do so, go to the [CO3 Data Sheet], and either fill in the web form, or upload a comma-delimited file (.csv) with the data as listed below.

#### **Native Statistics**

When exporting a STEP file, report what data importing systems should expect to find. For numeric statistics, enter the respective value or 'na' if not supported. For other statistics, select either 'full support' (i.e. test case and Rec. Pracs. definitions are fulfilled), 'limited support' (meaning the implementation does not meet all criteria and issues may be expected on import), or 'na' if not supported.

#### **Target Statistics**

When importing a STEP file, report the results found after processing the file as described in the table below.

#### **Ply-related Statistics**

Several of the Statistics for this test case are related to a specific ply within a specific sequence (e.g., material, orientation, rosette). The statistics cannot evaluate this for all plies in the model. Hence, the idea is to select one specific (interesting) sequence and ply on export, and to publish its name in the "Composite Ply Sequence" field of the statistics. Then, fill in the other plyrelated statistics with the values as valid for this particular sequence and ply. After import, select the sequence and ply with the name given in the native statistics, and again provide the values valid for this particular sequence and ply.

The sequence and ply to be used for evaluating the CO3 test case in Round 45J is:

#### PLY.P4 of SEQUENCE S.4

#### **Data Sheet Columns**

column name	description
model	The name of the test model, here 'CO3'
system_n	The system code of the CAD system creating the STEP file
system_t	The system code of the CAD system importing the STEP file. For native stats, select 'stp'
unit	The unit the model is designed in
compos_tables	The number of Composite Tables in the Model
compos_table_name	The name of the Composite Table of the model
sequences	The number of Sequences in the model
plies	The total number of plies in the file
num_materials	Total number of Materials defined
num_saved_views	The number of Saved Views defined in the model
num_annotations	The total number of Annotations defined in the model.
ply_sequence	The ID of the Sequence and the ID of the Ply within that Sequence for all ply-related statistics. For CO3, use: "Ply.P4 of Sequence.S4".



column name	description
seq_ply_number	The total number of Plies defined within the Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.
seq_ply_material	The name of the Material of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.
seq_ply_mat_type	The type of Material of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.
seq_ply_orient	pass/fail - whether the orientation of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet was correct
seq_ply_rosette	The name of the Rosette of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.
ply_rosette_type	The type of the Rosette of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.
ply_contour_area	The surface area of the ply contour of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.
facets	The number of facets in the Tessellated model
ply_explicit_area	The surface area of the 3D explicit representation (tessellated geometry) of the specific Ply and Sequence as listed in the "Composite Ply Sequence" column of the data sheet.
date	The date when the statistics were last updated (will be filled in automatically)
issues	A short statement on issues with the file

# 2.7 Test Case PID: Permanent Entity IDs

All information about this test case can also be viewed in CAESAR on its Information page.

## 2.7.1 Motivation

The ability to track a product's model information during design iteration, and from design iteration through to manufacturing and quality analysis has been limited by the lack of support for permanent IDs in STEP.

With the inclusion of permanent IDs in STEP, collaborating systems should now be able to exchange model data and track that data during design iteration. This suggests the ability to retain IDs contained in external data from a sender and reference those entities by the receiver. When a change to that model data occurs on the sender's side, the receiver should be able to update the receiver's copy of that external data and have any dependent data in their own models that refer to that external change, and update to respond to the change.

Like in the case of design iteration, the ability to track model entities via permanent IDs, will also allow downstream systems to update their representations of the design model and update their manufacturing and metrology planning to reflect changes in the design.

An additional benefit of the establishment of permanent IDs in STEP is the ability to retain a permanent audit trail of custody and connection between design and downstream systems for potential forensic analysis of critical product systems after in-service failure.

Finally, although not covered in this first test case, the introduction of permanent IDs provides the ability of any contributor to the information stream associated with a product's lifecycle to



add information to the model that can be connected to existing model content and that additional information can be retrieved by subsequent users and used as feedback from the contributor.

# 2.7.2 Approach

The approach to be used is described in the "Recommended Practices for Permanent Entity IDs for Design Iteration and Downstream Exchange" (Version 0.4; January 14, 2020), which can be found in the CAx-IF member area under "Information on Round 45J of Testing".

Within the domain of Permanent IDs, the following functionalities are in scope of Round 45J:

- Permanent IDs on Model (Product) for
  - o testing the retention of model ID after changes in the underlying content
- Permanent IDs on Geometry for
  - testing the effect of a change in geometry and topology on dependent manufacturing planning that references that geometry and topology
  - testing the effect of a change in geometry and topology on dependent metrology planning that references that geometry and topology
  - this concept includes the introduction of Permanent IDs on Shape Aspect as they are used to collect individual geometry elements into logical groups for some downstream purposes
- Permanent IDs on Semantic PMI Representation for
  - testing the effect of changes in semantic PMI on dependent manufacturing planning that reference that semantic PMI
  - testing the effect of changes in semantic PMI on dependent metrology planning that reference that semantic PMI
- Permanent IDs on UDAs for
  - testing the effect of changes in UDAs attached to model, semantic PMI, or geometry on dependent manufacturing or metrology planning that reference that those UDAs

The following are out of scope for Round 45J and are moved to the Future Considerations section:

- Permanent IDs on Geometry and Permanent IDs on Semantic PMI Representation for
  - o testing assembly constraints referencing those geometries
  - testing the effect of change in geometry and topology on dependent shape that references that geometry and topology for design iteration

The preferred AP242 schema to be used is the AP242 Edition 2 IS schema, which can be found on the public CAx-IF web sites under "Public Testing Information". As a fallback, the AP242 Edition 1 IS version can be used.

#### 2.7.3 Testing Instructions

The tests will be performed based on an existing NIST test model, well known to the CAx-IF community, namely the NIST PMI test case FTC-09.

#### 2.7.3.1 Test Model Overview

The specific test model to be used in this test case is a modified version of the NIST FTC-09 test case for testing permanent IDs and the effect of model change on downstream manufacturing and metrology planning.



#### 2.7.3.2 Test Model Access

The native CAD files can be downloaded from the NIST homepage. See section 2.1.3.2 for details and direct download links.

## 2.7.3.3 Test Model Configuration

Unlike any previous CAx-IF test round, the PID test case requires iteration to confirm retention of permanent entity IDs. This iteration process implies a minimum of two exchanges – an initial exchange and a subsequent exchange. Test cases for downstream uses variants of the NIST Test Case FTC-09 (see Annex B). The two iterations will be identified by model suffixes in CAESAR (PID\_1 – Initial Exchange; PID\_2 – Subsequent Exchange).

Note also that there are two mechanisms for supporting the introduction of permanent IDs to STEP. The first is via the creation of new permanent <code>id\_attribute</code> entities attached to certain entities within the Data Section of the Part 21 file. The second is via the creation of permanent ID relationships between STEP entity IDs and permanent entity IDs within an Anchor Section of a Part 21 Edition 3 file. Please refer to the recommended practice document for further details about the valid entity types to be used with <code>id\_attribute</code> entities in the Data Section. Based on agreement, the scope of Round 45J will include only the first type of ID, i.e. <code>id\_attribute</code> in the Data Section. This is reflected in the current version of the Recommended Practices. The testing of the Anchor Section approach will be considered in a future test round.

#### Test Case PID - Permanent Identifiers, via Data Section

The FTC09 NIST model will be used however we need to supplement the test case with additional information as follows.

Please add the following User Defined Attributes (UDAs):

 Attributes (UDAs) at the Product level in your native CAD model (taken from ASME 14.47, DRAFT, Feb 2018, Table 6-3 Metadata Elements (partial))

Element Name	Data Type	Description
CREATE_DATE	ISO 8601 extended form date/time	Date the data set was initially created.
MODEL_UNITS	String	System of units of measure (SI or U.S. Customary) of the model.
NOMENCLATURE	String	"NIST FTC09 Modified"
MODEL_PRECISION	Integer	Value that indicates numeric accuracy (number of significant digits) of model required in production of part in order for it to fulfill the design intent (ASME Y14.41).
REV	String	Current revision of the design per ASME Y14.35.



- Attributes (UDAs) on PMI (some PMI, not all):
  - UDA Name "Severity Description"
  - UDA Type String
  - UDA Value "Critical"
  - UDA Name "Severity Value"
  - UDA Type Integer
  - UDA Value 2

Please add the following Features (Shape Aspects):

• Collection of Geometries (surfaces) for the slotted hole (see Figure 6 below)

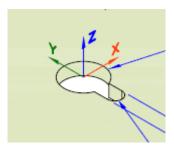


Figure 6: NIST FTC09, View C, slotted hole

#### **Preprocessor (CAD)**

## **Initial Iteration (PID\_1)**

 Export FTC09 as modified above (including IDs on Product, Geometry, Shape Aspect, PMI, and UDA)

#### Second Iteration (PID\_2)

Modify UDAs as follows:

- UDA Name "REV"
- UDA Type Real or Integer (see below)
- UDA Value if the model contains a PLM version attribute, use that type and value; if not, use the integer type with value 2

Modify the hole geometry and tolerance info for the 3 instances of the hole shown in Figure 7:

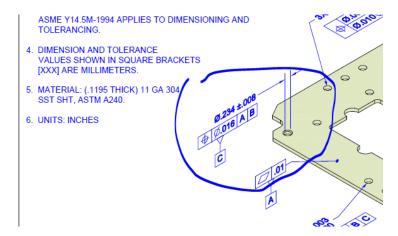


Figure 7: NIST Test Case FTC09, View A, Detail of Hole



- Change the three instances of 0.016 location tolerances to 0.014; add Criticality UDA on these two tolerances.
- Change the three nominal hole diameters from 0.234 to 0.236 and hole diameter tolerance values from 0.008 to 0.010

#### Slotted Hole (see Figure 8):

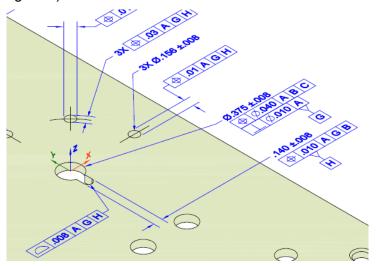


Figure 8: NIST Test Case FTC09, View C, Detail of Slotted Hole

- Change the hole diameter from 0.375 to 0.385, and
- Change the slot width from 0.140 to 0.150.

# Postprocessor (CAD System or Manufacturing and/or Metrology Planning System) Initial Iteration (PID\_1)

Import FTC09 and confirm receipt of Permanent IDs on Product, on Geometry, on Shape Aspect, on PMI, and on UDAs

#### Second Iteration (PID\_2)

Import revised FTC09 and confirm receipt of the same Permanent IDs on Product, on Geometry, on Shape Aspect, on PMI, and on UDAs as were received in PID1:

- Confirm change to location tolerance values
- Confirm retention of Criticality UDA on these tolerances
- Confirm change to hole diameters (geometry and nominal value) and hole diameter tolerance values; confirm aggregate and individual IDs on hole cylinders and their shape aspect
- Confirm change to slot geometry; Confirm aggregate and individual IDs on reference surfaces and their shape aspect

#### 2.7.4 Statistics

For each STEP file exported or imported for during one of the iterations of the PID test case, vendors must submit the corresponding statistics. To do so, go to the [ PID Data Sheet ], and either fill in the web form, or upload a comma-delimited file (.csv) with the data as listed below.

#### **Native Statistics**

When exporting a STEP file, report what data importing systems should expect to find. For numeric statistics, enter the respective value or 'na' if not supported. For other statistics, select either 'full support' (i.e. test case and Rec. Pracs. definitions are fulfilled), 'limited support'



(meaning the implementation does not meet all criteria and issues may be expected on import), or 'na' if not supported.

# **Target Statistics**

When importing a STEP file, report the results found after processing the file as described below.

#### **Data Sheet Columns**

column name	description
model	The name of the test model, here 'PID'.  Important: Add the iteration as suffix to the model, i.e.:  PID_1 for the initial exchange  PID_2 for the subsequent exchange
system_n	The system code of the CAD system creating the STEP file
system_t	The system code of the CAD system importing the STEP file. For native stats, select 'stp'
pid_product	pass/fail – whether the permanent ID at the product level was transferred correctly
num_pid_pmi	The number of semantic PMI elements processed with permanent IDs
num_pid_topol	The number of topological elements (e.g., advanced_face) processed with permanent IDs
num_pid_shape	The number of shape_aspects processed with permanent IDs
num_pid_uda	The number of user defined attributes processed with permanent IDs
downstream_update	all/partial/none - indicates whether the receiving system was able to successfully update the references on subsequent iterations
date	The date when the statistics were last updated (will be filled in automatically)
issues	A short statement on issues with the file

#### 2.8 Test Case IS1: Assembly Instance Styling

All information about this test case can also be viewed in CAESAR on its Information page.

#### 2.8.1 Motivation

Assembly Instance Styling allows the assignment of different styles to different instances of the same part in order to emphasize this instance in a given context. For example, one might want to color one instance of a bolt in a different color to point out it serves a special purpose, or one might define a certain part as being invisible because that part is of no interest in the given context but its geometry should be maintained in the model.

This capability was originally tested in 2003 and 2004 (Rounds 11J – 14J) and was requested to be tested again using current schemas and Recommended Practices.

#### 2.8.2 Approach

The current approach for assembly instance styling is described in section 5 of the "Recommended Practices for Model Styling & Organization", version 1.6, which is available on the CAx-IF homepages under "CAx-IF > Implementor Group > Recommended Practices".



<u>Note</u> that this approach is completely different from the one tested back in 2003 / 2004. Then, the instance to be styled was identified using <code>next\_assembly\_usage\_occurrence</code> in the simple case or <code>specified\_higher\_usage\_occurence</code> for multi-level assemblies. With AP242, this is done using <code>context\_dependent\_over\_riding\_styled\_item</code>, which provides a simple path to the instance to be styled independent of the complexity of the assembly structure.

# 2.8.3 Testing Instructions

For assembly instance styling, a very simple assembly is used which puts five instances of a solid yellow cube next to each other, as shown below in the wire frame view:

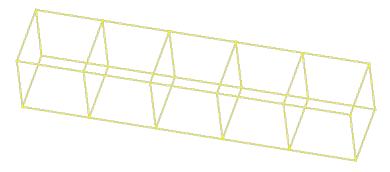


Figure 9: Wireframe view of the assembly before applying styles

Then, new styles are assigned to two of the instances:

- one instance is colored red
- one instance tagged as invisible

The assembly should then appear as shown below:

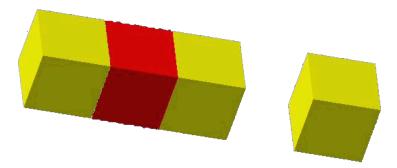


Figure 10: Shaded view of the assembly after styles have been applied to two instances

**Note:** Vendors participating in this test case do not need to support both coloring the instance and rendering it invisible. It is sufficient to support one of the included approaches.

#### 2.8.4 Statistics

For each STEP file exported or imported for during one of the iterations of the IS1 test case, vendors must submit the corresponding statistics. To do so, go to the [IS1 Data Sheet], and either fill in the web form, or upload a comma-delimited file (.csv) with the data as listed below.

#### **Native Statistics**

When exporting a STEP file, report what data importing systems should expect to find. For numeric statistics, enter the respective value or 'na' if not supported. For other statistics, select either 'full support' (i.e. test case and Rec. Pracs. definitions are fulfilled), 'limited support' (meaning the implementation does not meet all criteria and issues may be expected on import), or 'na' if not supported.



# **Target Statistics**

When importing a STEP file, report the results found after processing the file as described below.

#### **Screenshots**

As this is a styling-oriented test, screenshots shall be submitted along with the native and target statistics.

#### **Data Sheet Columns**

column name	description
model	The name of the test model, here 'IS1'.
system_n	The system code of the CAD system creating the STEP file
system_t	The system code of the CAD system importing the STEP file. For native stats, select 'stp'
instance_color	Color assigned to the explicitly styled instance. If the color cannot be determined on import, please put in 'none'.  If instance coloring is not tested, please put in 'n/a'.
invisibility	pass/fail – whether the invisible instance was correctly hidden or not.
date	The date when the statistics were last updated (will be filled in automatically)
issues	A short statement on issues with the file



# **Annex A NIST Model Translation Configuration Considerations**

Based on data translation issues identified in the NIST Phase 2 project (requiring multiple dataset submission iterations to resolve), the following translator configuration considerations have been derived for the PMI-related test cases (SP7 and TGP3) in Round 45J:

- Include annotations, coordinate systems, model properties, and PMI views
- Include supplemental geometry (non-solid surfaces, curves, points)
- Preserve annotation associations with both product and supplemental geometry
- Preserve annotation semantic PMI properties
  - Clearly point out if these are intentionally not translated
- Preserve annotation text
  - Creo should be configured to display dimension tolerances (tol\_display on)
  - Do not drop leading zeros or add trailing zeros
- Preserve annotation units
  - o CTC 01, 02, and 04 are defined in millimeters
  - CTC 03 and 05 are defined in inches
  - FTC 06 through 09 models are defined in inches
  - FTC 10 and 11 models are defined in millimeters
- Preserve display names of annotations and coordinate systems
  - Point out if you use NX 9 or newer since this will change some of the annotation names (see Figure 11 below)
- Preserve display colors of product geometry, supplemental geometry, and annotations
- Preserve view-specific visibility of annotations, coordinate systems, and supplemental geometry:
  - In the ZIP files with the test case specifications (see links in section 2.1.3), there is a PDF named "nist\_[ctc/ftc]\_suppl\_elem\_visibility.pdf" which gives a detailed definition of which elements shall be visible in which view, and which not.
  - Note that for each test case, there is a second PDF document included in the ZIP files, named "...\_elem\_ids.pdf" which contains the element ids for unambiguous identification of all PMI.
- Preserve view frustum (orientation and zoom level) definition:
  - JT model views should be defined so they are listed in the "Model Views" menu of JT2Go and work properly when selected
- Do not export extraneous information
  - Only CATIA Captures (not Views) should be exported to STEP Saved Views
  - Creo sketch dimensions should only be included when visible in a Combined View



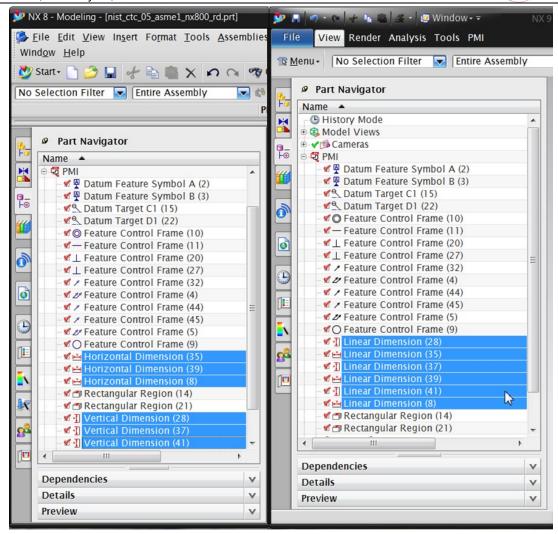


Figure 11: NX 8 vs. NX 9 Dimension Display Names



# Annex B NIST Model Definitions

This section provides an overview of the test models used for testing of PMI capabilities in Round 45J, namely SP7 (see section 2.1) and TGP3 (see section 2.2). All of these models have been developed in the course of NIST's "MBE PMI Validation and Conformance Testing Project". Information on this project and related activities can be found on internet at <a href="https://pages.nist.gov/CAD-PMI-Testing/">https://pages.nist.gov/CAD-PMI-Testing/</a>

The full suite of models consists of two data sets:

First, the so-called Complex Text Cases (CTC). These are the models with indices 01-05. They contain a collection of basic PMI constructs. Download the definitions from:

https://s3.amazonaws.com/nist-el/mfg digitalthread/NIST CTC Definitions Dec 2016.zip

Second, the so-called Fully-toleranced Test Cases (FTC). These are the models with indices 06-11. They are fully defined models, providing all information required to actually manufacture and inspect the models. Download the definitions from:

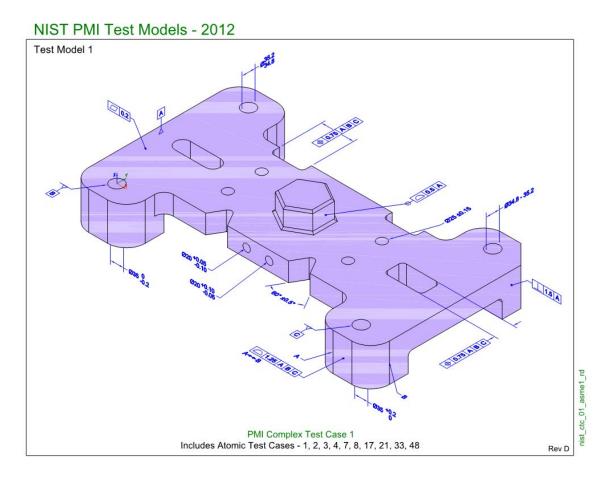
https://s3.amazonaws.com/nist-el/mfg digitalthread/NIST FTC Definitions Dec 2016.zip

In order to reduce the workload for the participating vendors, not all eleven models shall be tested in Round 45J. The following five models have chosen:

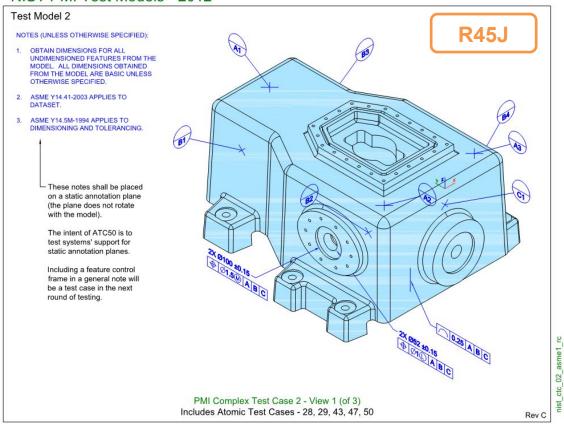
- SP7: CTC 2, 4 & 5; FTC 6 & 9
- TGP3: CTC 2 & 5; FTC 6, 8 & 9

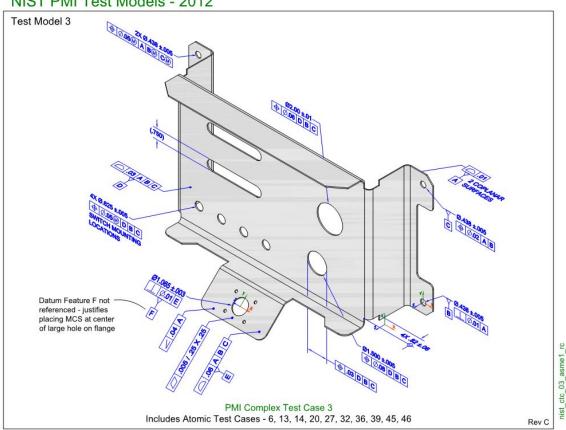
This selection still covers a wide range of PMI elements, while reducing the number of exchanged to be done for each interface vendor. The models are indicated with a label below.

The illustrations below show the first page of the PDF document for each test model.

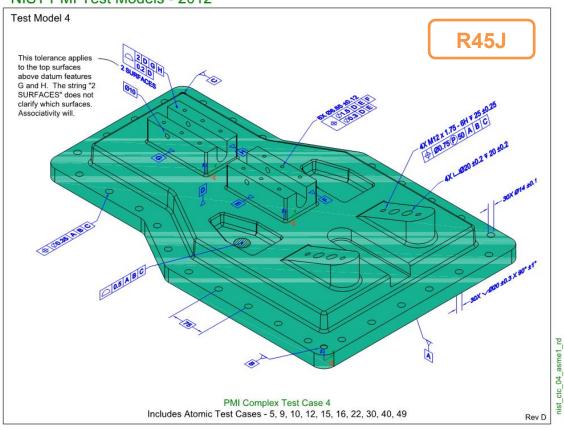


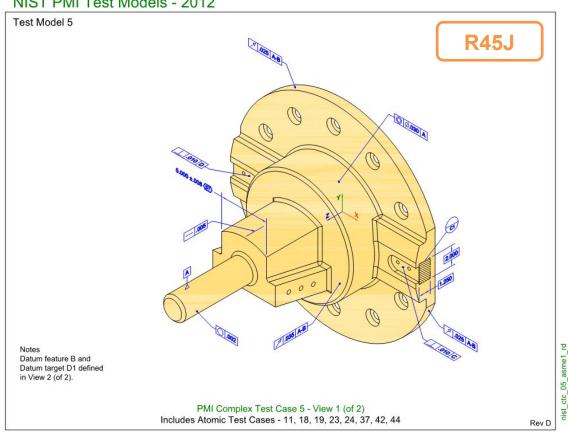




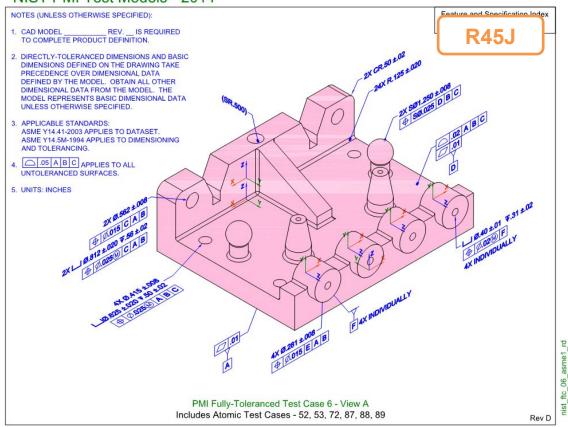


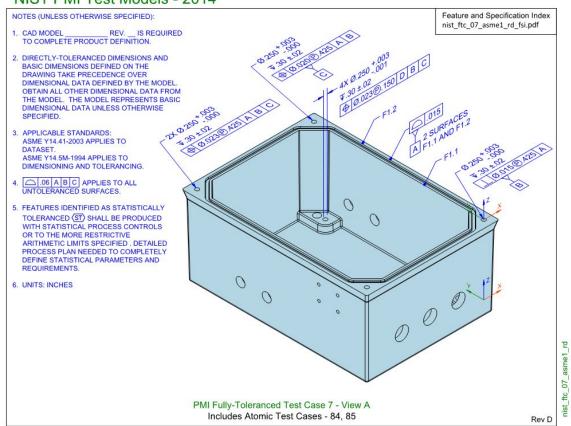




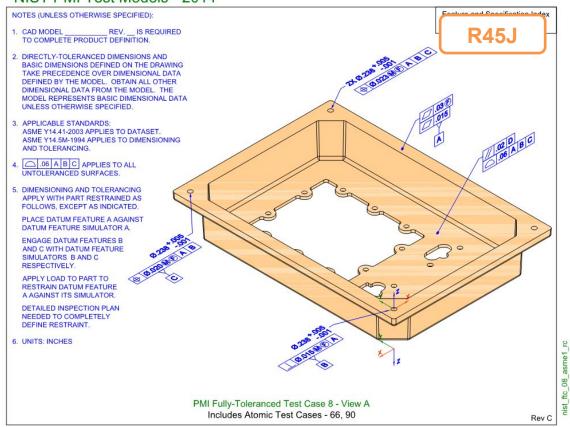


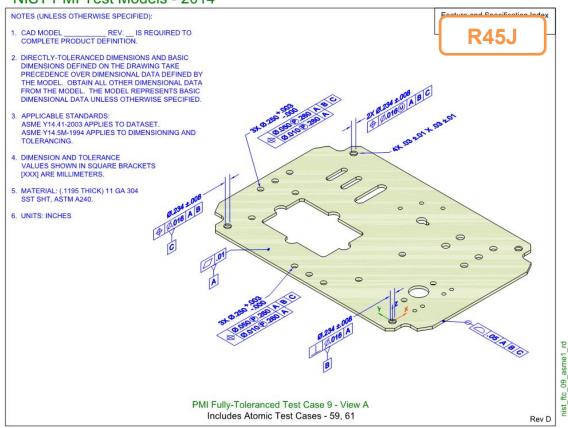




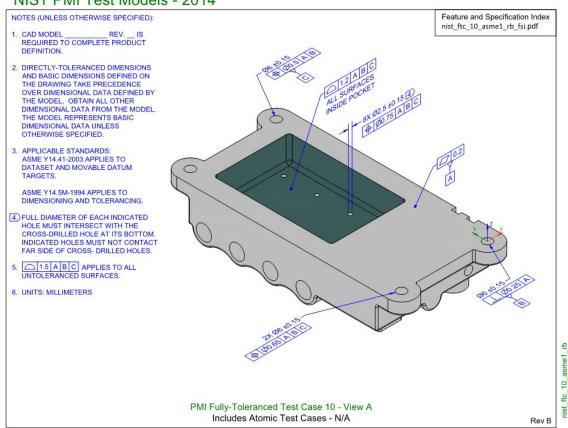


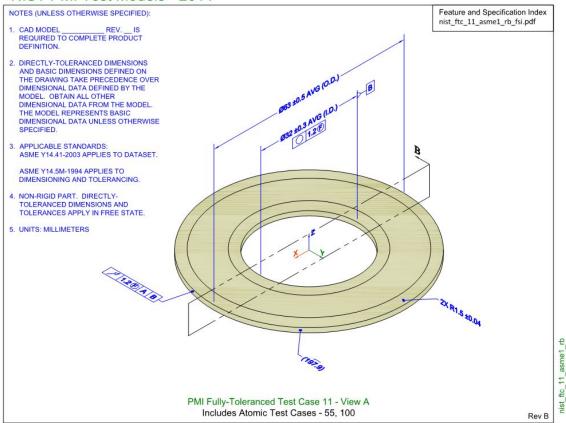














# Annex C Composite Data model for Rosette Type 2

This section gives some additional information provided by Dassault Systèmes on the CO3 test case, see section 2.6.

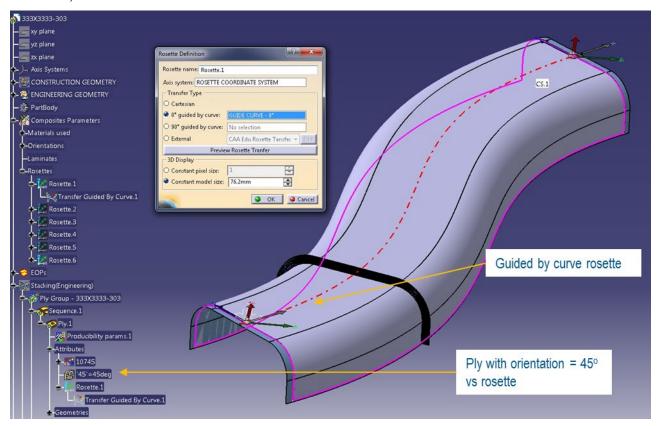


Figure 12: ASME\_Y14.37\_RosetteType2.CATPart

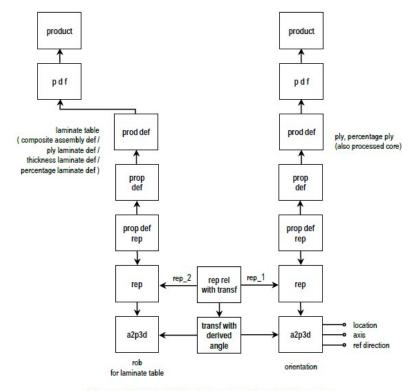


Figure 15: Ply Orientation by Simple Rosette

Figure 13: Old Recommendation from AP203e2



In AP203 Edition, the  $2^{nd}$  <code>axis2\_placement\_3d</code> provided the orientation angle (same <code>axis</code>, angle between <code>ref\_directions</code> (= x-axis)) as shown in Figure 13 above. However, this only works for cartesian rosette.

In AP242e2, the orientation angle is explicitly defined, as shown in Figure 14 below. This works for cartesian, curve guided, cylindrical, polar etc. rosettes.

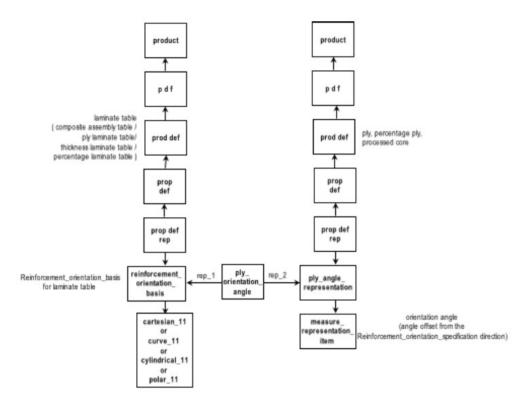


Figure 15: Ply Orientation Angle by Cartesian Placement, Curve, Cylindrical, or Polar 11 Basis Direction

Figure 14: New Recommendations AP242 E2

The new entities developed to support this are described below. They are contained in the "AP242 Edition 1 MIM Longform EXPRESS Schema with Composite Patch", which is available in the CAx-IF member area under "Information on Round 40J of Testing".

```
ENTITY reinforcement_orientation_basis
   SUBTYPE OF (representation);
   SELF\representation.items : SET[1:1] OF basis_ll_direction_member;
END_ENTITY;

TYPE basis_ll_direction_member = SELECT
   (cartesian_ll,
        curve_ll);
END_TYPE;

ENTITY cartesian_ll
   SUBTYPE OF (geometric_representation_item);
END_ENTITY;
```



```
ENTITY cartesian_ll
  SUBTYPE OF (geometric representation item);
END ENTITY;
ENTITY curve_11
  SUBTYPE OF (geometric_representation_item);
END_ENTITY;
ENTITY ply_angle_representation
  SUBTYPE OF (representation);
   self\representation.items : SET [1:1] OF measure_representation_item;
END ENTITY;
ENTITY ply_orientation_angle
  SUBTYPE of (representation_relationship);
    SELF\representation_relationship.rep_1 : reinforcement_orientation_basis;
    SELF\representation_relationship.rep_2 : ply_angle_representation;
END_ENTITY;
ENTITY draped orientation angle
  SUBTYPE OF (ply_orientation_angle);
END ENTITY;
ENTITY laid_orientation_angle
  SUBTYPE OF (ply orientation angle);
END ENTITY;
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