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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) correction of specification for bus master configuration;
- b) correction of specification for propagation of changes;
- c) correction of description of DTM services for online operation.

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INTRODUCTION

This Part of IEC 62453, which is a technical report, is an interface specification for developers of FDT (Field Device Tool) components for function control and data access within a client/server architecture. The specification is a result of an analysis and design process to develop standard interfaces to facilitate the development of servers and clients by multiple vendors that need to interoperate seamlessly.

With the integration of fieldbuses into control systems, there are a few other tasks which need to be performed. In addition to fieldbus- and device-specific tools, there is a need to integrate these tools into higher-level system-wide planning or engineering tools. In particular, for use in extensive and heterogeneous control systems, typically in the area of the process industry, the unambiguous definition of engineering interfaces that are easy to use for all those involved is of great importance.

A device-specific software component, called DTM (Device Type Manager), is supplied by the field device manufacturer with its device. The DTM is integrated into engineering tools via the FDT interfaces defined in this specification. The approach to integration is, in general, open for all kind of fieldbuses and thus meets the requirements for integrating different kinds of devices into heterogeneous control systems.

Figure 1 shows how IEC TR 62453-41 is incorporated in the structure of the IEC 62453 series.

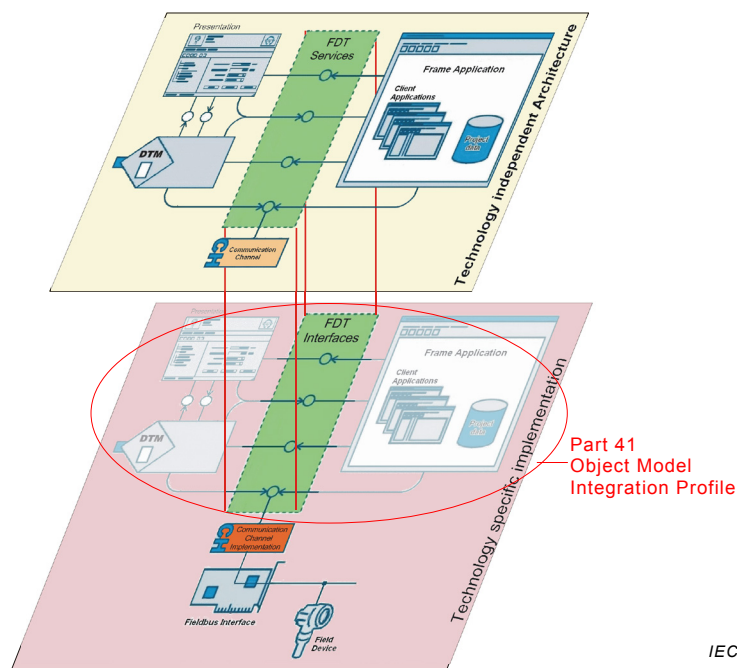


Figure 1 – Part 41 of the IEC 62453 series

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62453, which is a technical report, defines how the common FDT principles are implemented based on the Microsoft¹ COM technology, including the object behavior and object interaction via COM interfaces.

This part specifies the technology-specific implementation of the protocol-specific functionality and communication services.

This part of IEC 62453 is informative, however when this part is applied its requirements need to be implemented as specified.

This part specifies FDT version 1.2.1.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 61784 (all parts), *Industrial communication networks – Profiles*

IEC 62453-1:—², *Field Device Tool (FDT) interface specification – Part 1: Overview and guidance*

IEC 62453-2:—², *Field Device Tool (FDT) interface specification – Part 2: Concepts and detailed description*

¹ See Annex I.

² To be published concurrently with this technical report.