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**Abstract**

Industrial users of ISO 10303 (STEP) protocols need the ability to exchange design product data that is in conformance with recently updated ISO Geometric Product Specifications (GPS) ISO 1101:2012; with AWS A2.4:2012 Standard Symbols for Welding, Brazing, and Nondestructive Examination; with ISO 2553: 2013 Welding and allied processes — Symbolic representation on drawings — Welded joints; with SAE AS8879D and ISO 3161:1999 Aerospace — UNJ threads — General requirements and limit dimensions; with and ISO 5855-1:1999 —Aerospace — MJ threads — Part 1: General requirements. The LOTAR consortium created a project to extend ISO 10303-242 for these new capabilities. Changes to relevant STEP information models have been proposed to support the additions to ISO 1101, and new information models proposed to support the welding and thread standards.

**Keywords**

STEP; computer aided design; data exchange; data model; dimension model; dimension representation; dimensioning and tolerancing; geometric dimensioning and tolerancing; geometrical product specification; product and manufacturing information; integration; geometric tolerance; product data; profile tolerance; tolerance model; tolerance representation; weld; welding symbol; screw thread; design context.

# Introduction

## Motivation

Industrial users of STEP[1] protocols need the ability to exchange design product data definitions that are in compliance with product manufacturing information (PMI) standards. Industry needs to continue migration from drawing based PMI exchange to full model based exchange and sharing. Welding symbology and Screw thread specifications are widely used but were not addressed in ISO 10303-242:2014[2].

## Problem statement

Extensions for welding symbols, screw threads and to support recent updates in Geometric Product Specifications (GPS) ISO 1101[3] are needed for [1] in a design context. AWS A2.4:2012 Standard Symbols for Welding, Brazing, and Nondestructive Examination[4] and ISO 2553: 2013 Welding and allied processes — Symbolic representation on drawings — Welded joints[5] provide source requirements for welding symbology in a design context. SAE AS8879D[6], ISO 3161:1999 Aerospace — UNJ threads — General requirements and limit dimensions[7], and ISO 5855-1:1999 —Aerospace — MJ threads — Part 1: General requirements[8] provide source requirements for screw thread properties in a design context. The LOTAR consortium created a project to extend ISO 10303-242 for these new capabilities. Changes to relevant STEP information models have been proposed to support the extensions. Upward compatibility is a constraint on any modifications to the STEP information models where there are existing implementations.

**Approach**

Existing capabilities of STEP in the design context were compared to the requirements defined by the identified requirements and extensions were created as needed for the scope identified by the industrial users. The use of the EXPRESS[10] SELECT and SUBTYPE constructs in extensions to existing constructs were proposed to provide upward compatibility.

**Scope and contribution**

This document describes the structure of the proposed screw thread and weld information models to be added to STEPmod[11] Application Reference Model (ARM) models. It also identifies needed maintenance actions when the manufacturing Application Protocols (APs) are incorporated into STEPmod.

**Results**

New ARM EXPRESS models for Screw thread and for Weld are proposed. The EXPRESS models were integrated using STEPmod[11] architecture in the STEP Module and Resource Library version 6[12] into a long form EXPRESS model for evaluation. Preliminary review of mapping onto the STEP product model identified one upward compatibility risk that would be addressed by using the EXPRESS SELECT type to extend an existing model. Maintenance issues with several Application Modules (AMs) were identified.

## Development process

The information model development process used an incremental approach. The industrial user base provided coverage and implementation interpretation issues. The ASME and ISO committees provided source standard documents for the information model update and creation process. Members of the ASME and ISO committees were available for and contributed to the development process as subject matter experts. Issues that had not been dealt with by the ASME and ISO committees clearly enough were deferred for later work. There is no intent on the part of STEP developers that the interpretation of product data by receiving systems shall deviate from the requirements specified in the ASME and ISO standards, as clearly the requirement on the STEP protocol is to provide a computer interpretable representation of the relevant content of the source standards and not to develop a new or enhanced GPS system. Issues that were deemed in scope, based on resources and schedule and availability of a source standard, were analyzed by subject matter experts and STEP developers for accuracy. Requirements were identified, architectural enhancements were proposed; impact to existing implementations and data sets was considered along with capability of the architecture to support evolution of the source standards.

## Updates to PMI model

### Screw thread

These standards were identified as source standards based on industrial aerospace and defense requirements identified by LOTAR[13]:

SAE AS8879D[14] and ISO 3161:1999 Aerospace — UNJ threads — General requirements and limit dimensions[7];

ISO 5855-1:1999 —Aerospace — MJ threads — Part 1: General requirements[8].

It is recognized that this is not a general solution to exchange of thread data. In order to clearly separate the design and manufacturing contexts, a new AM Screw_thread is proposed. This AM does not provide information about the shape from which the thread is created but provides a parametric thread data set that is placed in the design geometric model. A template definition is provided to support re-use. Both Inch and Metric threads are supported, as well as catalogue and threads defined only by description. For development purposes, the schema interface provides explicit USE FROM and REFERENCE FROM to existing AMs. For development purposes, several Application Objects (AOs) are explicitly included in the thread AM that will be moved to external AMs for publication because the Screw_thread is not the correct scope for those AOs. The Screw_thread AM should be directly referenced by the implementation module ISO/TS 10303-442[15] upon publication.

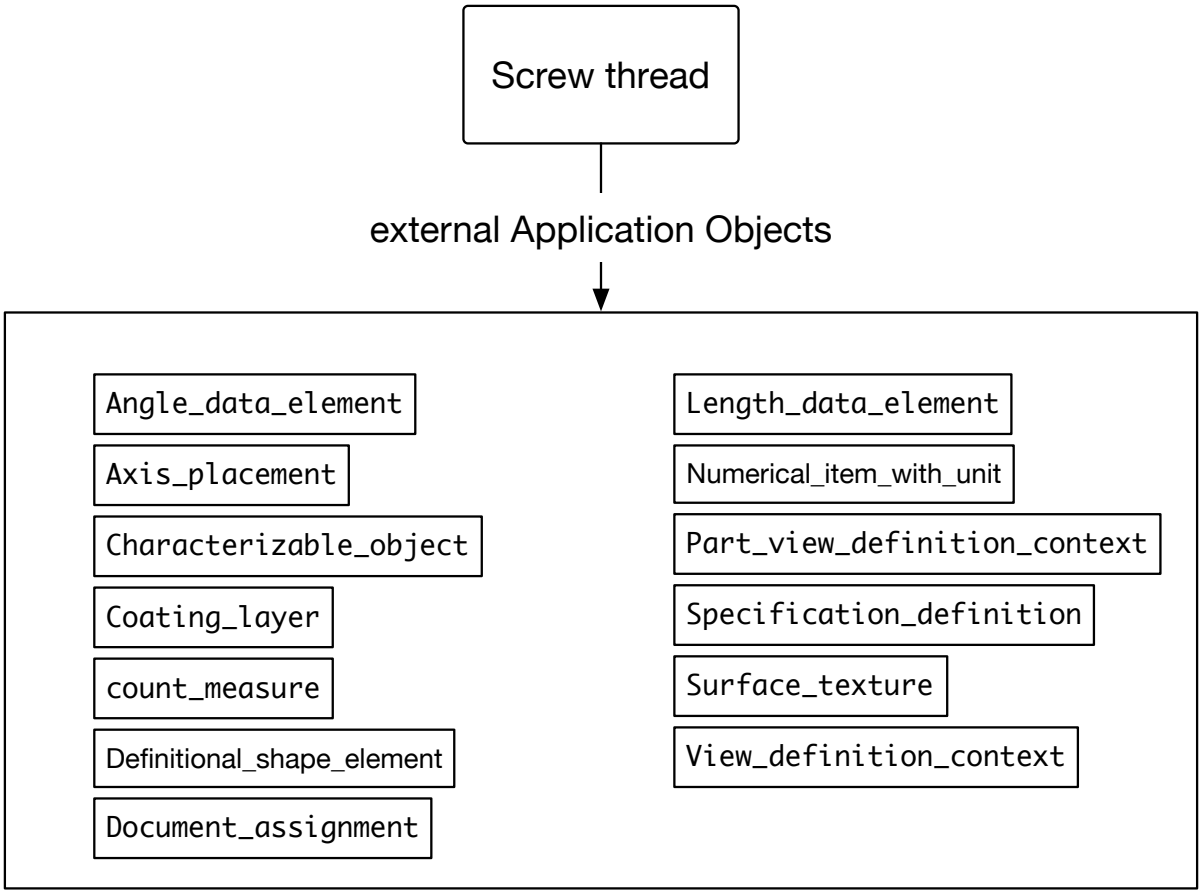



Figure 1 illustrates the external Application Objects directly referenced by the Screw_thread application module ARM EXPRESS.

The Application Objects identified in Figure 1 are formally interfaced by the EXPRESS USE FROM declaration. Those AOs define direct attributes and SUPERTYPEs of the Application Objects defined in the Screw_thread ARM EXPRESS. The AOs also bound the scope of the externally referenced AMs as applied to the screw thread design domain. For example, only an Axis_placement_shape_element is required allowing the AM Screw_thread to be completely independent of geometric model type.

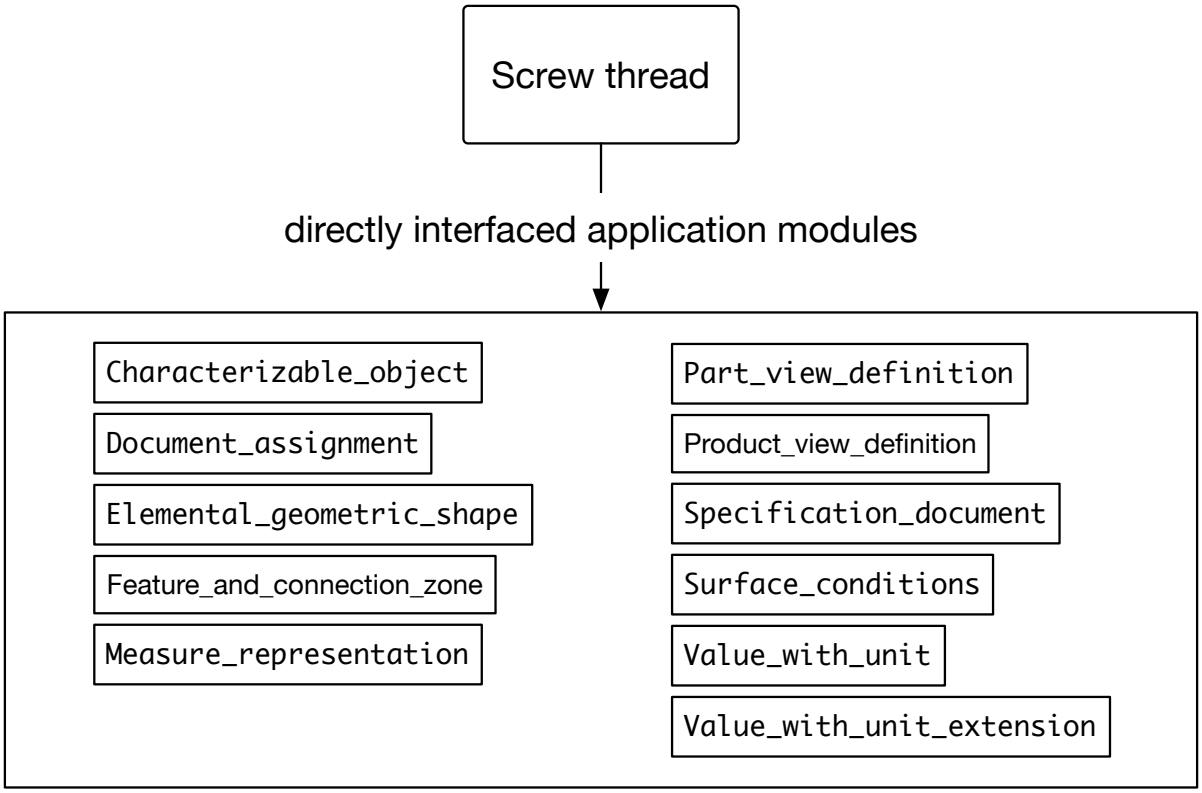



Figure 2 illustrates the external application modules that contain the directly referenced Application Objects included in Figure 1.

The Application Modules illustrated in Figure 2 are formally interfaced by the EXPRESS USE FROM declaration.

| |
|---|
| Assembly_structure |
| Basic_curve |
| Basic_data_representation |
| Basic_geometry |
| Characteristic |
| Class |
| Configuration_item |
| Construction_geometry |
| Contextual_shape_positioning |
| Date_time |
| Derived_shape_element |
| Dimension_tolerance |
| Document_and_version_identification |
| Document_definition |
| Elemental_topology |
| Extended_date |
| Extended_measure_representation |
| External_class |
| External_item_identification_assignment |
| External_library |
| External_model |
| External_properties |
| External_source |
| File_identification |
| Foundation_representation |
| Generic_material_aspects |
| Geometric_model_relationship |
| Identification_assignment |
| Independent_property |
| Independent_property_representation |
| Name_assignment |
| Part_and_version_identification |
| Person_organization |
| Person_organization_assignment |
| Plib_class_reference |
| Product_concept_identification |
| Product_identification |
| Product_version |
| Product_view_definition_reference |
| Product_view_definition_relationship |
| Property_assignment |
| Qualified_measure |
| Shape_feature |
| Shape_property_assignment |
| Tagged_text_representation |

Table One identifies the Application Modules indirectly included in Screw_thread module by executing a short to long form transform on the ARM EXPRESS as defined in [10].

Several Application Modules in Table One are not in the scope of screw threads. The consequence is that validation and testing will be more expensive due to the added effort of tracking out of scope items. The out of scope modules should be removed from the scope during the next phase of the development process as identified in[11]. As an example, there is no requirement for AM Assembly_structure[16] to be included in the scope of screw thread design features.

**Welding symbology**

Welding symbology and associated characteristics are defined in

AWS A2.4:2012 Standard Symbols for Welding, Brazing, and Nondestructive Examination[4];

ISO 2553:2013 Welding and allied processes — Symbolic representation on drawings — Welded joints[5].

Welded joints are defined by a welding symbol that contains a number of elements.

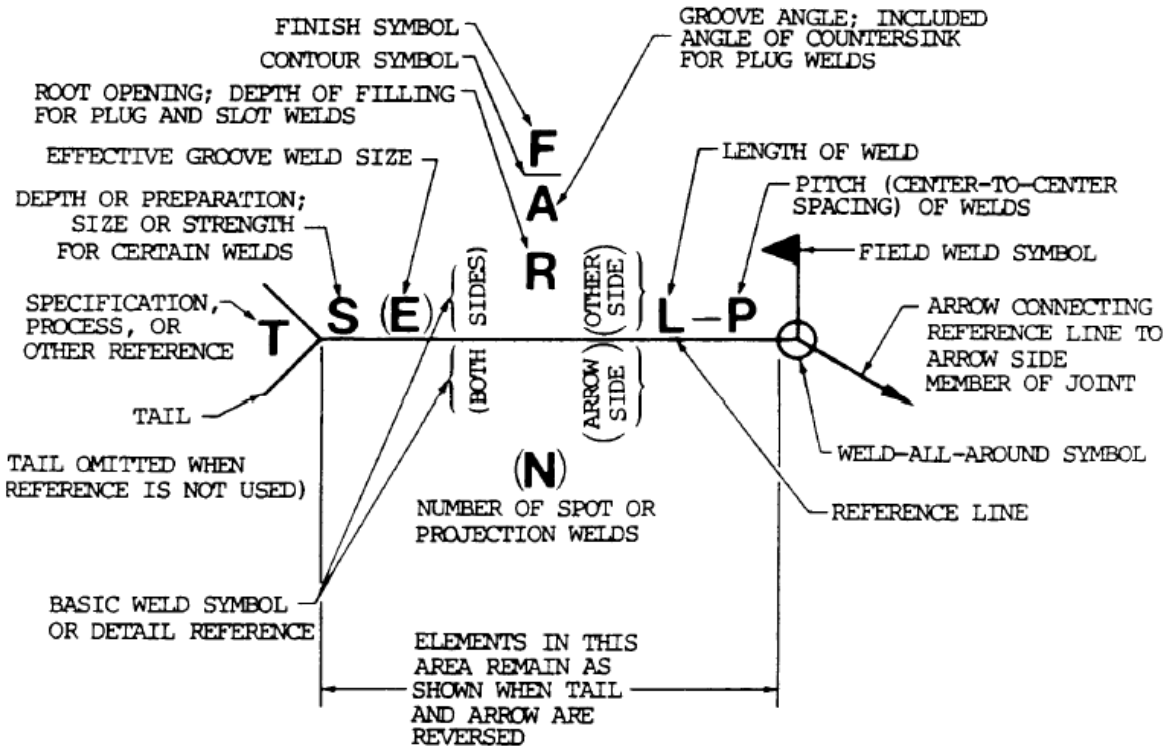



Figure 3[17] illustrates the elements of a welding symbol that is in accordance with[4].

A welding symbol associates a welded joint with the materials, process, and inspection requirements to achieve the welded joint. After review of the current capabilities of the STEP modules and resources library (SMRL) version 6[12], it was determined that a welded joint

should be modeled as a SUBTYPE of the AO Assembled_with_bonding found in AM ISO/TS 10303-1649 Assembly_technology[18].

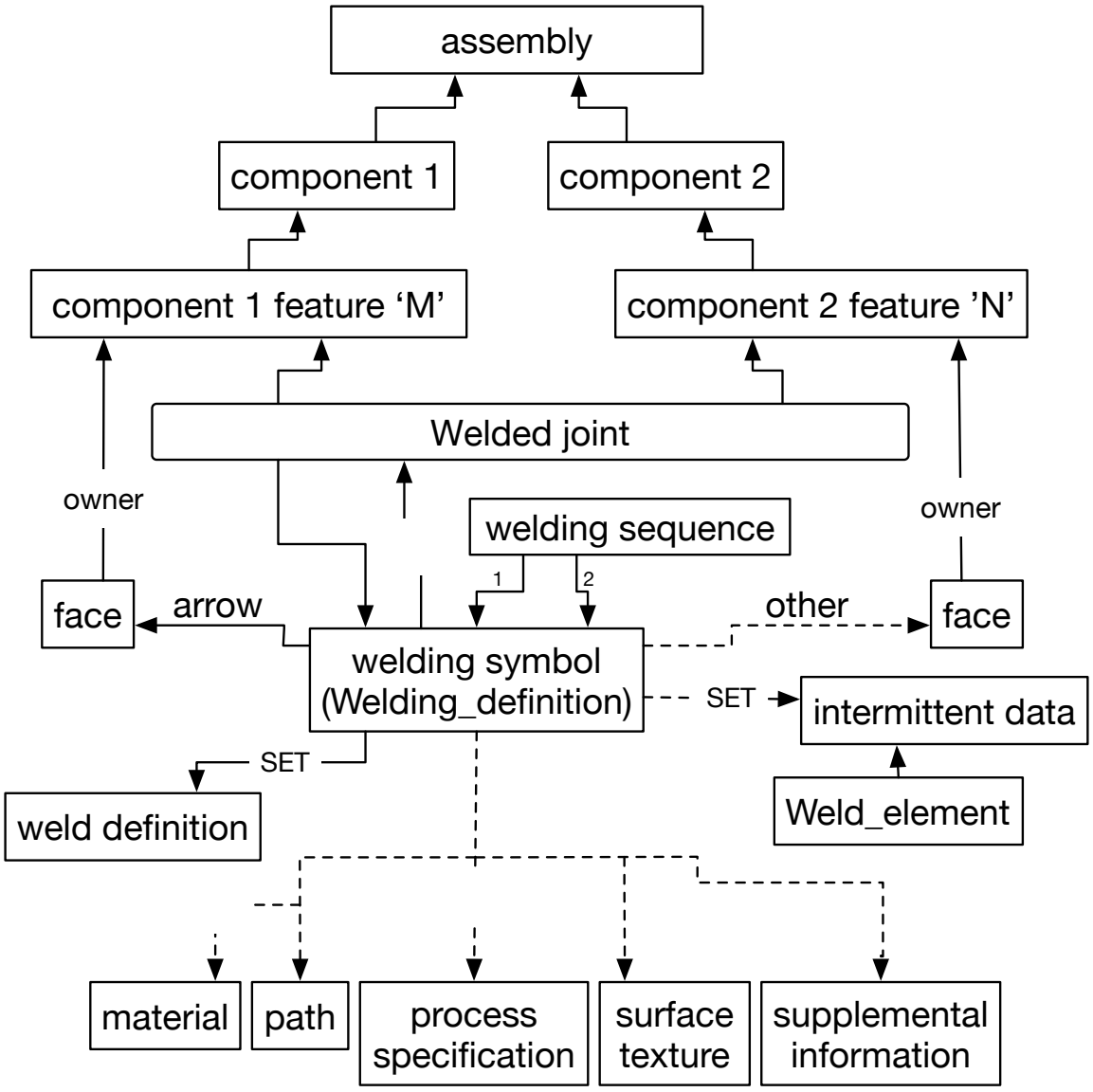



Figure 4 illustrates the key domain concepts to represent in the Weld application module.

Legend: In Figure 4 the arrows indicate dependency relations. Solid lines indicate mandatory relations. Dashed lines indicate optional relations. Cardinality of more than one is indicated by the SET keyword.

The concepts and Application Objects identified in Figure 4 result from direct interpretation of the source documents. An assembly has two components (component 1) and (component 2). Each component has a feature of interest for welding. Each feature has at least one face specified for welding. In Figure 4 the term ‘face’ is a concept that is represented by a Face_shape_element[19] in the model. The face is on the surface of the component feature. In a CAD model the face would be represented by a geometric face entity that might be helping to compose the 3D model. Alternatively, the face may be placed on the surface specifically to support the welding symbol. Assembly, component, face, component feature, material, path, process specification, and surface texture, are all concepts represented in [2]. Welded joint, welding sequence, welding symbol, weld_element, weld definition and intermittent data are specific to the weld domain and are newly proposed. The AO Assembly_bond_definition, also found in [18], was determined to be an appropriate SUPERTYPE for the welding symbol. New AOs Welded_joint and Welding_definition are proposed as SUBTYPEs of Assembled_with_bonding and of Assembly_bond_definition, respectively. The relationship between Welded joint and Welding definition is essentially reversed from the default inherited from the SUPERTYPEs Assembly_joint and Assembled_with_bonding. That is necessary because one welding symbol can be applied to several joints. In the case that the component features are complex and more than one welding symbol is required, additional instances of Welded_joint will be provided by the pre-processor because each Welded_joint may only reference one instance of Welding_definition; in feature based design this is not a limitation as the end user defines the welding symbol by identifying ‘arrow’ and ‘other’ faces attached to the features and the pre-processor synthesizes Welded_joint as part of the mapping from the internal

CAD model to the STEP model. Welding_definition  is proposed as a name representing the properties in a welding symbol because this proposal does not include the graphic symbology. The AO Welding_symbol may be included (and bound to the Welding_definition) when the graphic symbology is added. There are five classes of welded joint: butt, corner, T, lap and edge that are modeled as SUBTYPEs of Welded_joint and five corresponding classes of Welding_definition.

A Welding_definition

- specifies the joint (or joints) it is helping to realize,
- includes a set of welds,
- includes designation of the arrow side,
- may include
  - designation of the other side,
  - supplemental information,
  - surface texture,
  - process specifications,
  - a weld path,
  - and auxiliary material.

There may be more than one welding operation in support of a welded joint and multiple welding operations occur in a sequence. Therefore a sequence relationship is included. The weld concept is represented by the AO Weld_definition. There are several types of welds supported, in accordance with [4] and [5]. They are identified as SUBTYPEs of Weld_definition in the ARM

EXPRESS included herein. Three forms of intermittent data are supported: welds on one side only, welds located at same position on arrow and other side, welds that are placed first on one side then on the other (staggered). To support reporting inspection results, an explicit model of the weld elements derived from the intermittent data is provided, including unique identification. Parametric attributes are provided as required to satisfy [4] and [5]. In most cases, the terminology of [4] and [5] are consistent. In cases where consistency is not 100% [5] is used as the source for terms because there are more terms in [5]. The classification structure and separation of joint class, welding class, weld class and intermittent data classes make mapping from the source documents onto the Weld ARM straightforward. A weld context provides the ability to establish that the data being provided is in accordance with this AM. A separate context provides greater granularity for validation, verification and implementation. Consequently this AM can be considered to be an implementation level module in the STEP modular architecture. The Weld AM should be directly referenced by the implementation module ISO/TS 10303-442[15] upon publication.

Minor structural issues exist in the relationship between Assembled_with_bonding and Assembly_bond_definition. Because it appears that Assembly_bond_definition has never been implemented the corrections can be accomplished as part of stepmod maintenance. For development purposes, the schema interface provides explicit USE FROM and REFERENCE FROM to existing AMs. For development purposes, several AOs are explicitly included in the Weld AM that will be included in external AMs for publication.

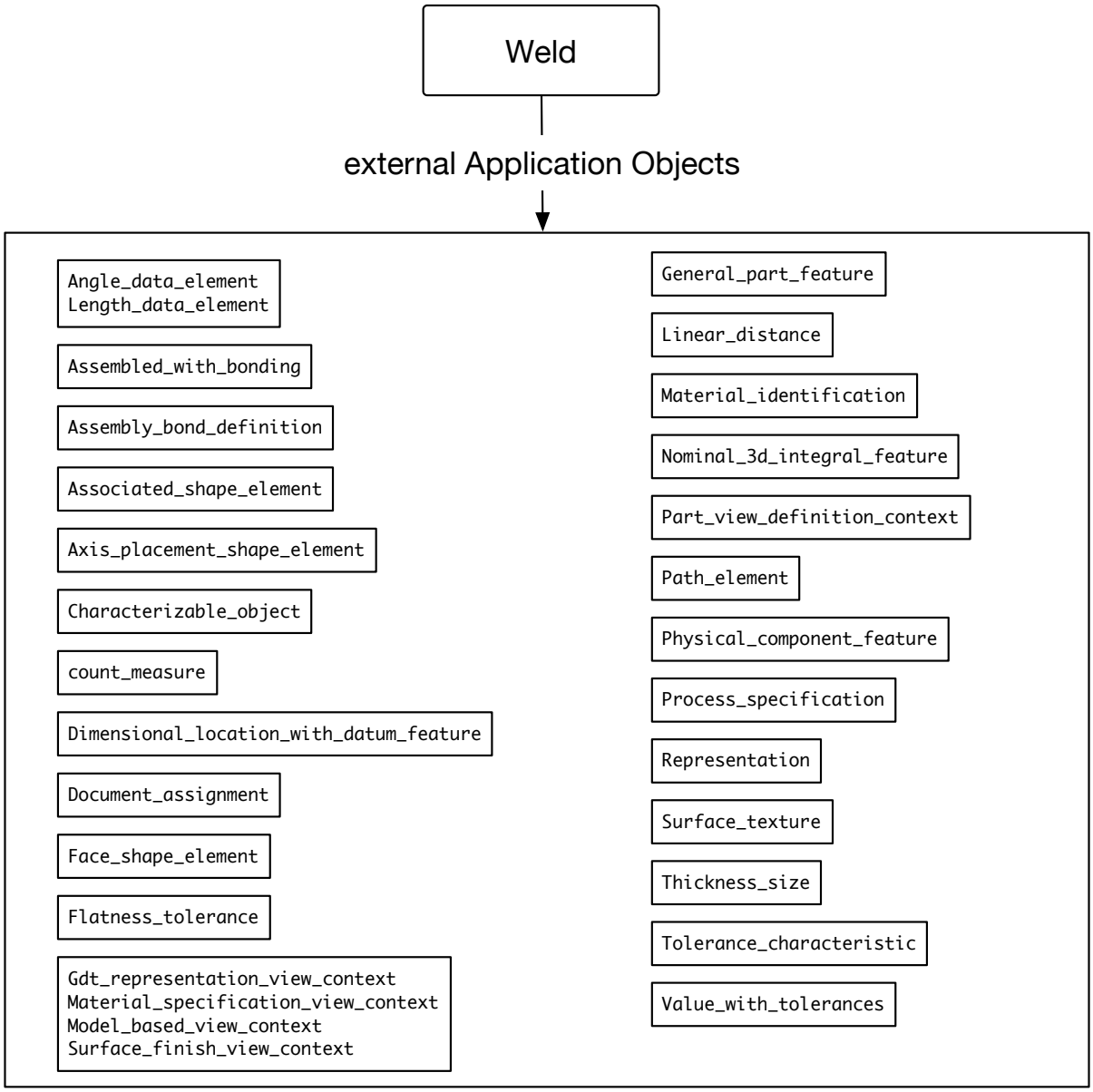



Figure 5 illustrates the external Application Objects directly referenced by the Weld application module ARM EXPRESS.

The Application Objects identified in Figure 5 are formally interfaced by the EXPRESS USE FROM declaration. They may define direct attributes or may be SUPERTYPEs of the Application Objects defined in the Weld ARM EXPRESS. The AOs also bound the scope of the externally referenced AMs as applied to the weld domain to facilitate validation and

conformance processes in the weld domain.

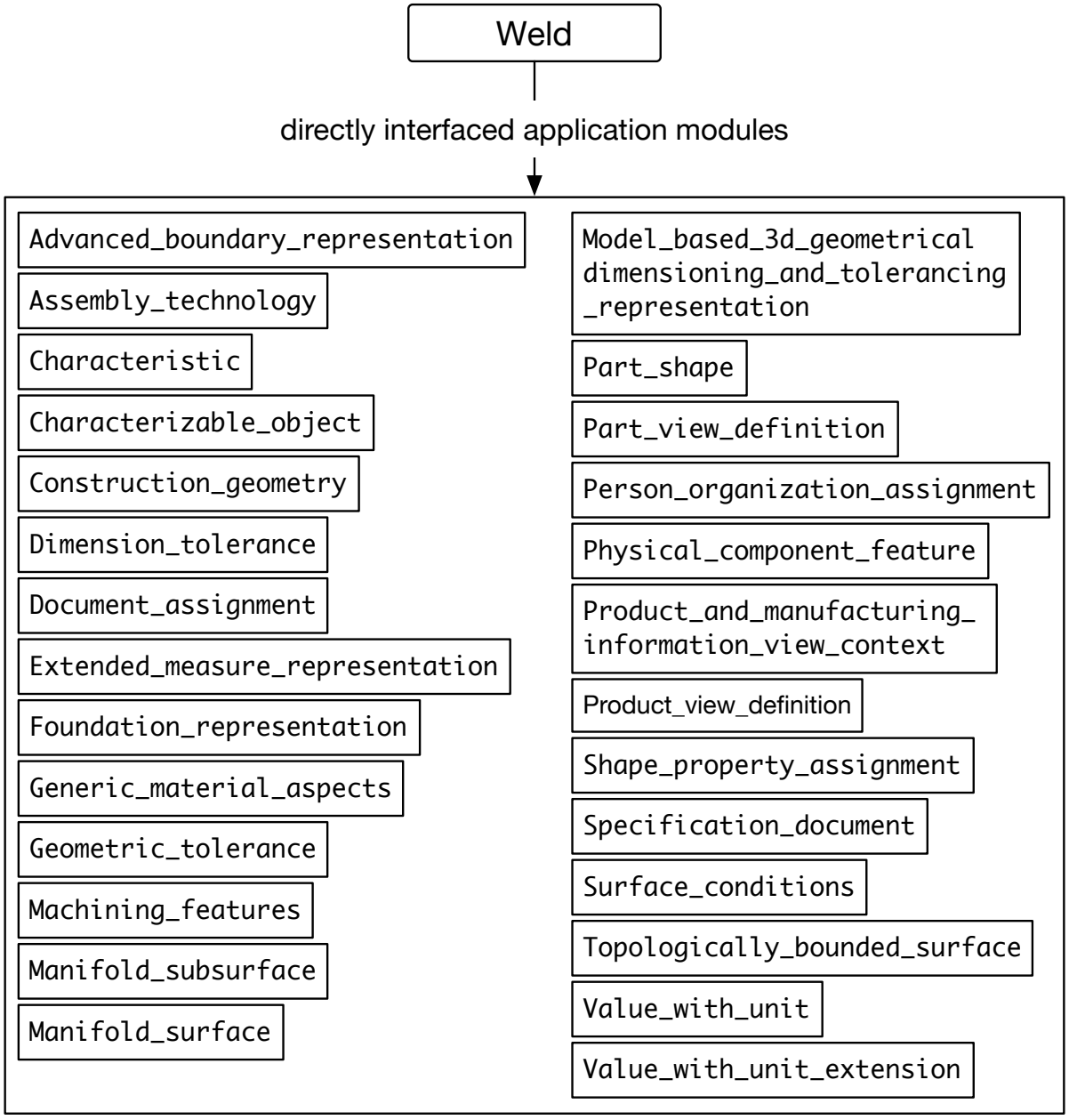



Figure 6 illustrates the external application modules that contain the directly referenced Application Objects included in Figure 5.

The Application Modules illustrated in Figure 6 are formally interfaced by the EXPRESS USE FROM declaration. Several modules are interfaced because they include Application Objects that are provided to support geometric or dimensional tolerancing that may be included in the welding symbol but is not explicitly modeled. An example is AM ISO/TS 10303-1051 Geometric_tolerance(20) that includes Flatness_tolerance, and AM ISO/TS 10303-1050 Dimension_tolerance[21] that includes Thickness_size and Linear_distance. AM ISO/TS 10303-1816 Model based 3d geometrical dimensioning and tolerancing representation[22] was included to provide access to the correct context Application Objects (e.g., Gdt_representation_view_context) in a manner consistent with [2]. Several Application Modules in Table 6 are not in the scope of welding symbology. The consequence is that validation and testing will be more expensive due to the added effort of tracking out of scope items. The out of scope modules should be removed from the interfaces during the next phase of the development process as identified in[11] by moving the Application Objects interfaced into a foundation module[11] that does not have a narrow domain scope. An example is AM Machining_features[19] that includes Face_shape_element. Face_shape_element and Face_shape_element_relationship should be moved to AM ISO/TS 10303-1032 Shape_property_assignment[23]. Another example is AM Geometric_tolerance[20] that includes Plane_shape_element and Point_shape_element. Those AOs should also be moved to [23].

| |
|---|
| Activity_method |
| Activity_method_assignment |
| Advanced_boundary_representation |
| Analytical_model |
| Assembly_component |
| Assembly_shape |
| Assembly_structure |
| Assembly_technology |
| B_spline_geometry |
| Basic_curve |
| Basic_data_representation |
| Basic_geometric_topology |
| Basic_geometry |
| Class |
| Classification_assignment |
| Classification_with_attributes |
| Component_feature |
| Component_grouping |
| Conductivity_material_aspects |
| Configuration_item |
| Contextual_shape_positioning |
| Date_time |
| Date_time_assignment |
| Derived_shape_element |
| Dimension_tolerance |
| Document_and_version_identification |
| Document_definition |
| Document_structure |
| Effectivity |
| Effectivity_application |
| Elemental_geometric_shape |
| Elemental_topology |
| Event |
| Extended_date |
| External_class |
| External_item_identification_assignment |
| External_library |
| External_model |
| External_properties |
| External_source |
| Feature_and_connection_zone |
| File_identification |
| Geometric_model_relationship |
| Group |
| Identification_assignment |
| Independent_property |

Table Two identifies the Application Modules indirectly included in Weld module by executing a short to long form transform on the ARM EXPRESS as defined in [10].

| |
|---|
| Independent_property_representation |
| Information_product |
| Interface_component |
| Item_definition_structure |
| Measure_representation |
| Model_parameter |
| Name_assignment |
| Part_and_version_identification |
| Part_definition_relationship |
| Part_feature_location |
| Part_template |
| Person_organization |
| Physical_unit_usage_view |
| Plib_class_reference |
| Product_and_manufacturing_information_with_nominal_3d_models |
| Product_class |
| Product_concept_identification |
| Product_identification |
| Product_occurrence |
| Product_replacement |
| Product_structure |
| Product_version |
| Product_version_relationship |
| Product_view_definition_properties |
| Product_view_definition_reference |
| Product_view_definition_relationship |
| Property_as_definition |
| Property_assignment |
| Qualified_measure |
| Requirement_assignment |
| Requirement_identification_and_version |
| Requirement_view_definition |
| Shape_composition |
| Shape_feature |
| Single_part_representation |
| Software |
| Solid_model |
| Specified_product |
| Support_resource |
| Tagged_text_representation |
| Time_interval |

Table Two continued.

Several Application Modules in Table Two are not in the scope of welding symbology. The consequence is that validation and testing will be more expensive due to the added effort of tracking out of scope items. The out of scope modules should be removed from the scope during

the next phase of the development process as identified in[11]. Examples include Tagged_text_representation[24], and Information_product[25].

## Information model maintenance

### Surface texture

Surface_texture_parameters.parameter_name and Surface_texture_parameters.parameter_value are incorrectly described in ISO/TS 10303-1110:2014-02 Surface conditions AM[26]. Those descriptions will be corrected in the next publication of ISO/TS 10303-1110 Surface conditions AM as part of the STEPmod maintenance task of AP 242 ed2 development.

### Thread

Several STEPmod maintenance items relate to the existing Thread AO in [19].

Issue 4236 identifies needed clarifications on the attributes Thread.thread_hand and Thread.inner_or_outer_thread in the ARM descriptions and EXPRESS. Those clarifications were incorporated in the Screw_thread module proposed in this work and can be incorporated into [19] as part of a maintenance activity when the manufacturing APs are migrated to STEPmod.

Issue 4237 relates to the Thread.applied_shape attribute that specifies the base shape of the part from which machining processes remove material to result in the shape of the thread. The model used for Thread.applied_shape to establish that relationship to the base shape is shared amongst ISO 10303-224[27] (AP 224) up through edition 3, ISO 10303-238[28] (AP 238) and ISO 14649-10[29]. Those APs are manufacturing context specific. ISO 10303-214[30] edition 3 (AP 214) has a different approach in the ARM but the mapping results in the same formal interface. There is however a distinct difference between a design context and a manufacturing context. The modeling approach of the manufacturing APs is that there is a

volume of material from which material is removed to generate a net shape, while the design context approach is feature based and does not acknowledge a particular process manufacturing may use to realize the feature. The issue of design features as compared to manufacturing features is addressed in[31].

Issue 4783 includes mapping errors in[19]. The detailed recommendations for issue 4783 are provided in[32]. The corrections can be incorporated as part of a maintenance activity when the manufacturing APs are migrated to STEPmod.

Issue 5116 includes a discussion of the relationship between Thread and Partial_area_definition and has lead to the proposal for a new Screw_thread module for the design context. Clarification of the relationship between Thread and Partial_area_definition should be deferred until the manufacturing APs are migrated to STEPmod.

**Updated architecture of PMI in STEP**

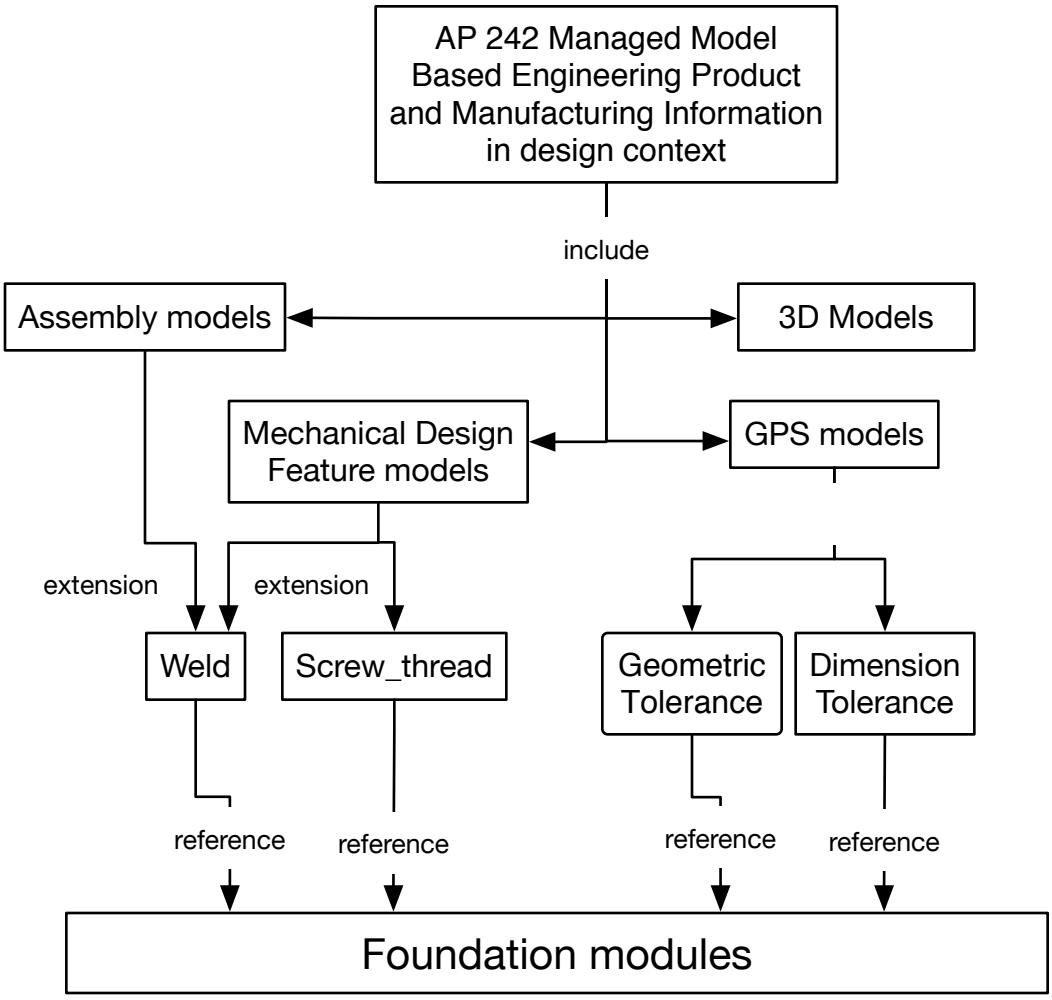



Figure 7 illustrates the updated abstract document architecture proposed to be included in edition two of[33]

The models related to the addition of domain of screw threads and weld in the second edition of [2] can be gathered under the Product and Manufacturing Information (PMI) concept. Specifically for screw thread and weld we are concerned only with a design context. The AP will support PMI with 3 dimensional geometric models, assembly models, mechanical design feature models, and Geometric Product Specification (GPS) models. Screw thread data are independent

of the model geometric representation. Welding data require the equivalent of a geometric face in the geometric model. Explicit product_definition_context[34] entities are provided in the PMI design context to support more efficient interface development. The weld domain requires assembly models that include part occurrence as a component, component features and assembly joint. Representation of those concepts are available in[2]. The mechanical feature models in[2]that include e.g., Definitional_shape_element[35] are extended by the inclusion of Weld and Screw_thread. Existing Geometric Product Specification (GPS) models for Dimension tolerance and for Geometric tolerance in[2]are re-used, as are lower level shape and shape property models included in the Foundation modules in Figure 7. Screw thread and weld data relies on the identification capability provided in the existing mechanical design feature models, e.g., unique constraints on shape_aspect.id[34] and on geometric_item_specific_usage[23] to link production measured data back to design features. Weld extends those identification data to include intermittent weld identification.

**Upward compatibility and deprecation**

Because Screw thread and Weld are new capabilities in the design context, there are no upward compatibility issues determined to exist with Screw thread and Weld.

**Screw thread ARM EXPRESS**

```
SCHEMA Screw_thread_arm;
   USE FROM Characterizable_object_arm
    (Characterizable_object);
   USE FROM Document_assignment_arm
    (Document_assignment,
     documented_element_select);
  USE FROM ELEMENTAL_GEOMETRIC_SHAPE_ARM
   (Axis_placement);
  USE FROM FEATURE_AND_CONNECTION_ZONE_ARM
   (Definitional_shape_element);
  USE FROM MEASURE_REPRESENTATION_ARM
   (Numerical_item_with_unit);
  USE FROM Part_view_definition_arm
   (Part_view_definition_context);
  USE FROM Product_view_definition_arm
   (View_definition_context);
  USE FROM SPECIFICATION_DOCUMENT_ARM
   (Specification_definition);
   USE FROM Support_resource_arm
   (identifier,
    text,
    label);
   USE FROM Surface_conditions_arm
    (Coating_layer,
     Surface_texture);
  USE FROM Value_with_unit_extension_arm
    (Length_data_element,
     Angle_data_element);
   USE FROM Value_with_unit_arm
    (count_measure);
  TYPE aerospace_design_category_1_or_2 = ENUMERATION OF(
      category_1,
      category_2);
  END_TYPE;
  TYPE mdf_documented_element_select = EXTENSIBLE GENERIC_ENTITY
SELECT BASED_ON documented_element_select WITH
```

```
    (Screw_thread_feature_definition);
  END_TYPE;
  TYPE thread_hand = ENUMERATION OF
    (left,
     right);
  END_TYPE;

  TYPE thread_side = ENUMERATION OF
    (internal,
     external);
  END_TYPE;
  TYPE thread_runout_length_quantification = ENUMERATION OF
    (pitch,
    dimension);
  END_TYPE;
  TYPE thread_effective_length_modification = ENUMERATION OF
    (no_length_modification,
     additional_length);
  END_TYPE;
ENTITY Length_numerical_item_with_unit
  SUBTYPE OF (Length_data_element, Numerical_item_with_unit);
END_ENTITY;
```

— This AO provides the ability to declare that a data element that may have tolerances supplied as part of the data element is a length. When integrated into STEPmod, Length_numerical_item_with_unit will be included in ISO/TS 10303-1753 AM Value_with_unit_extension[18].

```
ENTITY Angle_numerical_item_with_unit
  SUBTYPE OF (Angle_data_element, Numerical_item_with_unit);
END_ENTITY;
```

— This AO provides the ability to declare that a data element that may have tolerances supplied as part of the data element is angular. When integrated into STEPmod, Angle_numerical_item_with_unit will be included in [18].

```
ENTITY Catalogue_screw_thread_feature_definition
  SUBTYPE OF (Screw_thread_feature_definition);
  documentation : Specification_definition;
  major_diameter : OPTIONAL Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
END_ENTITY;
```

— Catalogue_screw_thread_feature_definition is derived from AO Catalogue_thread in [19] but does not include the base shape construct. The major_diameter is constrained to be a length.

```
ENTITY Defined_screw_thread_feature_definition
  SUBTYPE OF (Screw_thread_feature_definition);
  crest : OPTIONAL Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
  minor_diameter : OPTIONAL Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
  pitch_diameter : OPTIONAL Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
  major_diameter : Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
END_ENTITY;
```

— Defined_screw_thread_feature_definition is derived from AO Defined_thread in [19] but does not include the base shape construct. The attributes are constrained to be lengths.

```
ENTITY Screw_thread_context
  SUBTYPE OF (Part_view_definition_context);
DERIVE
  SELF\View_definition_context.application_domain : STRING :=
'screw thread';
  SELF\View_definition_context.life_cycle_stage : STRING :=
'design';
END_ENTITY;
```

— Screw_thread_context provides the ability to establish that the data being provided is in accordance with this AM. A separate context provides greater granularity for validation, verification and implementation.

```
ENTITY Screw_thread_feature
  SUBTYPE OF (Definitional_shape_element);
  effective_length : Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
  definition : Screw_thread_feature_definition;
  maximum_length : OPTIONAL Length_data_element;
  placement : Axis_placement;
END_ENTITY;
```

— Screw_thread_feature is derived from AO Partial_area_definition in [19] but does not include the base shape construct and is a Definitional_shape_element providing straightforward integration into other aspects of the design model. Specifically the critical attribute Screw_thread_feature.definition will be interpreted to be a shape_aspect_relationship in ISO 10303-41[34]. The Screw_thread_feature.effective_length and Screw_thread_feature.maximum_length attributes are constrained to be length AO types to ease

mapping specification and MIM development.

```
ENTITY Screw_thread_feature_definition
  ABSTRACT SUPERTYPE OF
(ONEOF(Catalogue_screw_thread_feature_definition,
Defined_screw_thread_feature_definition,
Metric_aerospace_screw_thread_feature_definition,
Aerospace_screw_thread_feature_definition))
  SUBTYPE OF (Characterizable_object);
  form : text;
 (*
  also called thread profile
```

The cross-sectional shape of a thread is often called its form or threadform. It may be square, triangular, trapezoidal, or other shapes. The terms form and threadform sometimes refer to all design aspects taken together (cross-sectional shape, pitch, and diameters).

The form attribute provides the same data as Thread.form in [19].

```
*)
  gaging_system : OPTIONAL text;
```

—The gaging_system attribute provides the value for gaging specified in [7] or [8].

```
  hand : thread_hand;
```

—The hand attribute provides the same data as Thread.form in [19].

```
  side : thread_side;
```

—The side attribute provides the same data as Thread.side in [19].

```
  runout : OPTIONAL Thread_runout;
```

—The runout attribute provides similar data as Thread.runout in [19].

```
  series : OPTIONAL text;--coarse, fine,..
 (*
```

series of threads, i.e. groups of diameter and number of threads per inch combinations distinguished from each other by the number of threads per inch associated with any given thread diameter.

```
 *)
  INVERSE
  reference_documents : SET [1:?] OF Document_assignment FOR
is_assigned_to;
```

—Specifies the document that controls the interpretation of the data provided.

```
END_ENTITY;
```

— Screw_thread_feature_definition is derived from the AO Thread in [19] but does not include the base shape construct and is a Characterizable_object providing straightforward integration into other aspects of the design model. The attributes that are representations of length concepts are constrained to be length AO types.

```
ENTITY Metric_aerospace_screw_thread_feature_definition
  SUBTYPE OF (Screw_thread_feature_definition);
  tolerance_class : text;
```

—Tolerance class is specified in [8]

```
  nominal_size : count_measure;
```

—Nominal_size is nominal diameter in millimetres as specified in [8].

```
  pitch : count_measure;
```

—Pitch is the distance between threads in millimetres as specified in [8].

```
  special_thread : BOOLEAN;
```

—A special thread is defined in [8].

```
END_ENTITY;
```

— A Metric_aerospace_screw_thread_feature_definition is a minimal set of parametric data needed to specify commonly used metric screw threads as defined in [8].

```
ENTITY Aerospace_screw_thread_feature_definition
  SUBTYPE OF (Screw_thread_feature_definition);
  coating : OPTIONAL Coating_layer;
```

—Aerospace threads may have coating applied.

```
  fit_class : text;
```

—The fit_class attribute provides the same data as Thread.fit_class in [19] except that it does not include the metric case.

```
  design_category : OPTIONAL aerospace_design_category_1_or_2;
```

—Design category is defined in [7].

```
  (*
  not in iso 3161?
  *)
  major_diameter : OPTIONAL Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
```

—Diameters are nominal unless special_thread is indicated. See [7] or [8].

```
  minor_diameter : OPTIONAL Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
```

—Diameters are nominal unless special_thread is indicated. See [7] or [8].

```
  number_of_threads_per_inch : OPTIONAL count_measure;
  pitch_diameter : OPTIONAL Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
```

—Diameters are nominal unless special_thread is indicated. See [7] or [8].

```
  qualifying_information : OPTIONAL text;
```

(*

Occasionally it is necessary to modify the major diameter of external threads or the minor diameter of internal threads in order to fit a specific purpose, but without changing the pitch diameter limits (it should be noted that existing gauges may be used to accept such threads). Such threads shall be specified with the established thread designation followed by the modified crest diameter limits and the designation "MOD".

In that case “MOD” would be the qualifying_information value.

*)

```
  root_radius : OPTIONAL Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
```

—Root_radius is not toleranced unless special_thread is indicated as noted in [7] or [8].

```
  Screw_thread_feature_definition\series : text;
```

(*

graded pitch: coarse, fine, extra fine

constant pitch: 8, 12, 16 threads per inch

*)

—The value of series is for example: ‘graded pitch, coarse’.

—The value of series is for example: ‘constant pitch, 8 threads per inch’.

```
  significant_digits : OPTIONAL INTEGER;
```

—Significant digits is included when necessary, in accordance with [7] or [8].

```
  special_thread : BOOLEAN;
```

—A special thread as defined in [7].

—A special thread will usually provide qualifying information as identified in the attribute ‘qualifying_information’.

```
  surface_roughness : OPTIONAL Surface_texture;
```

—Surface roughness may be provided.

```
 DERIVE
   pitch : REAL := 1.0/number_of_threads_per_inch;
END_ENTITY;
```

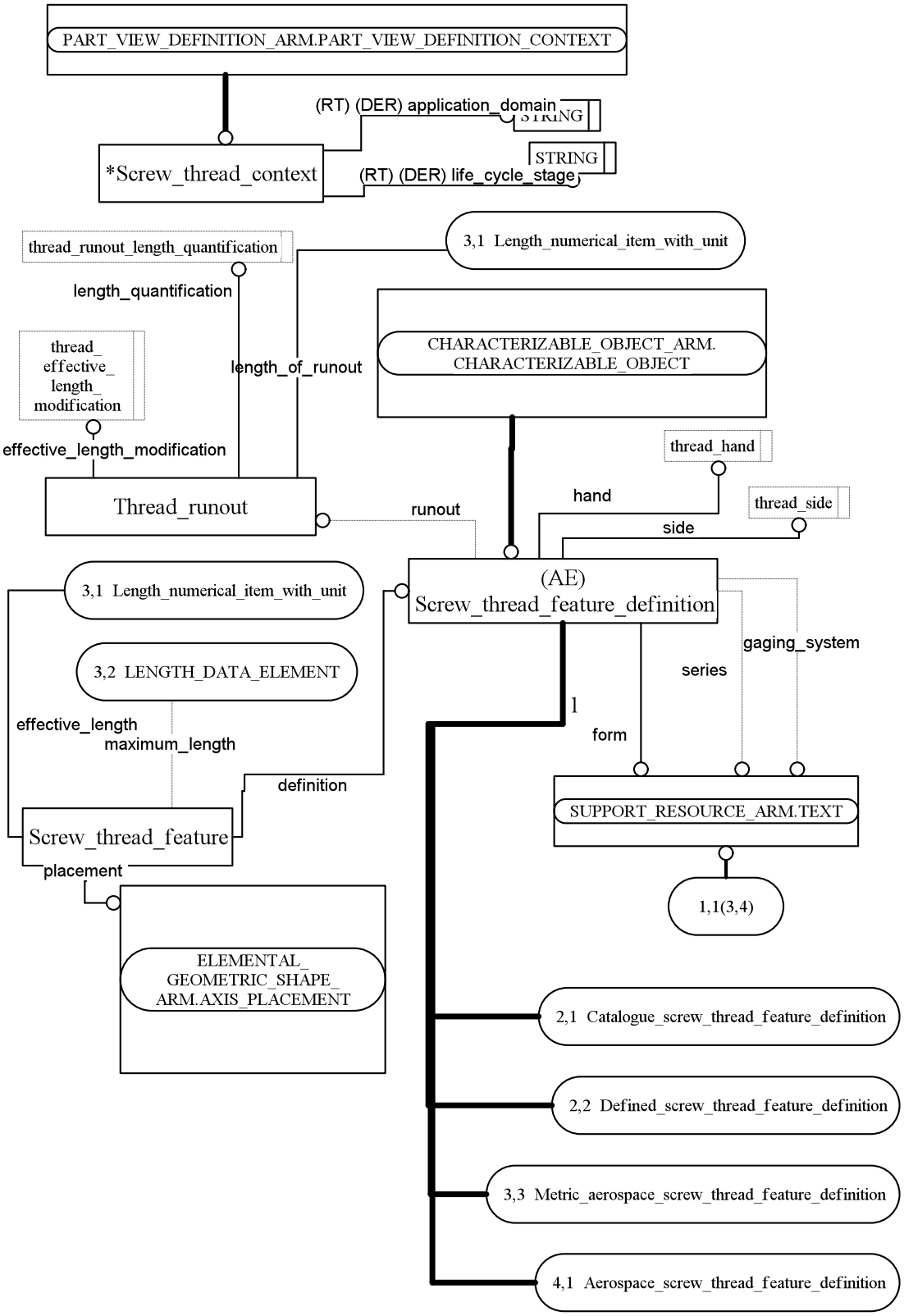
—The Aerospace_screw_thread_feature_definition is based on [7] and [14].

```
ENTITY Thread_runout;
  length_of_runout : Length_numerical_item_with_unit;
  length_quantification : thread_runout_length_quantification;
```

```
        effective_length_modification :
thread_effective_length_modification;
      END_ENTITY;
```

—Thread_runout is derived from Thread_runout in [19] but provides a clarified model for length_quantification and for effective_length_modification, as well as constraining length_of_runout to be a length AO type.

```
      END_SCHEMA;
```

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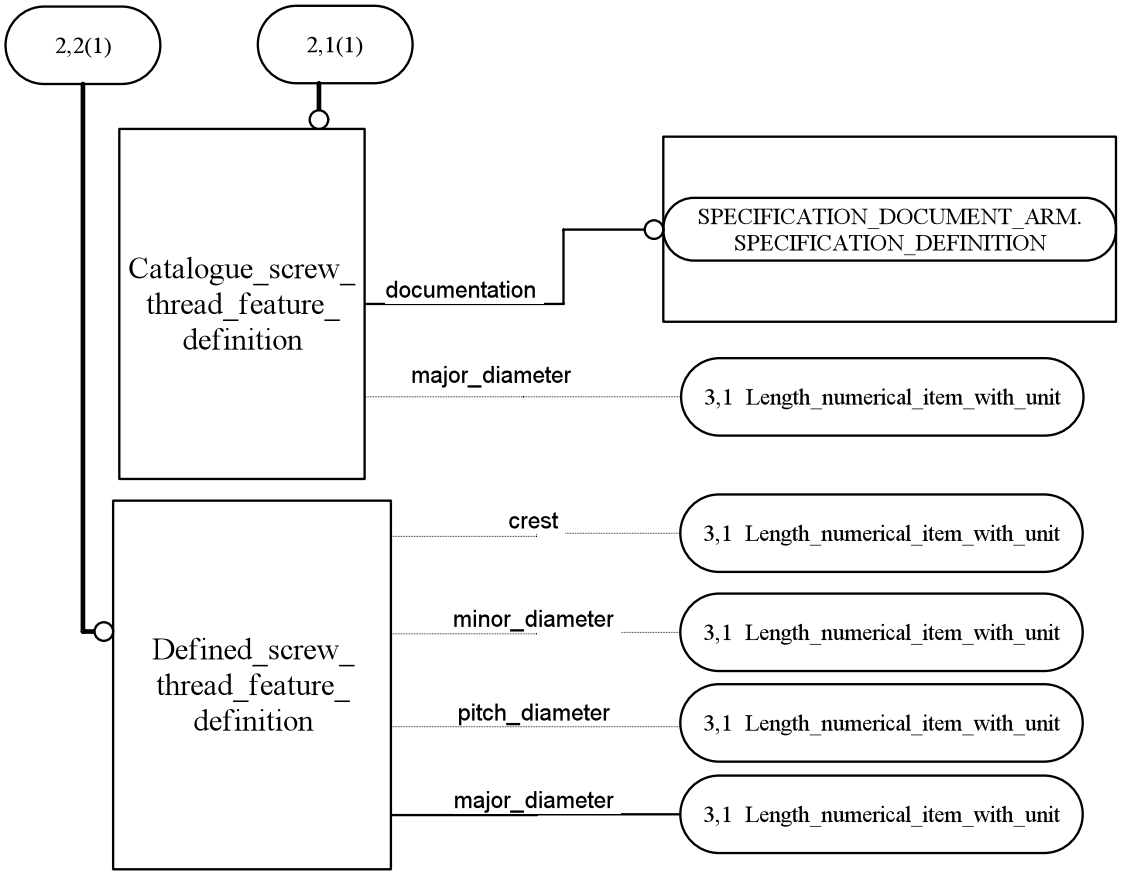
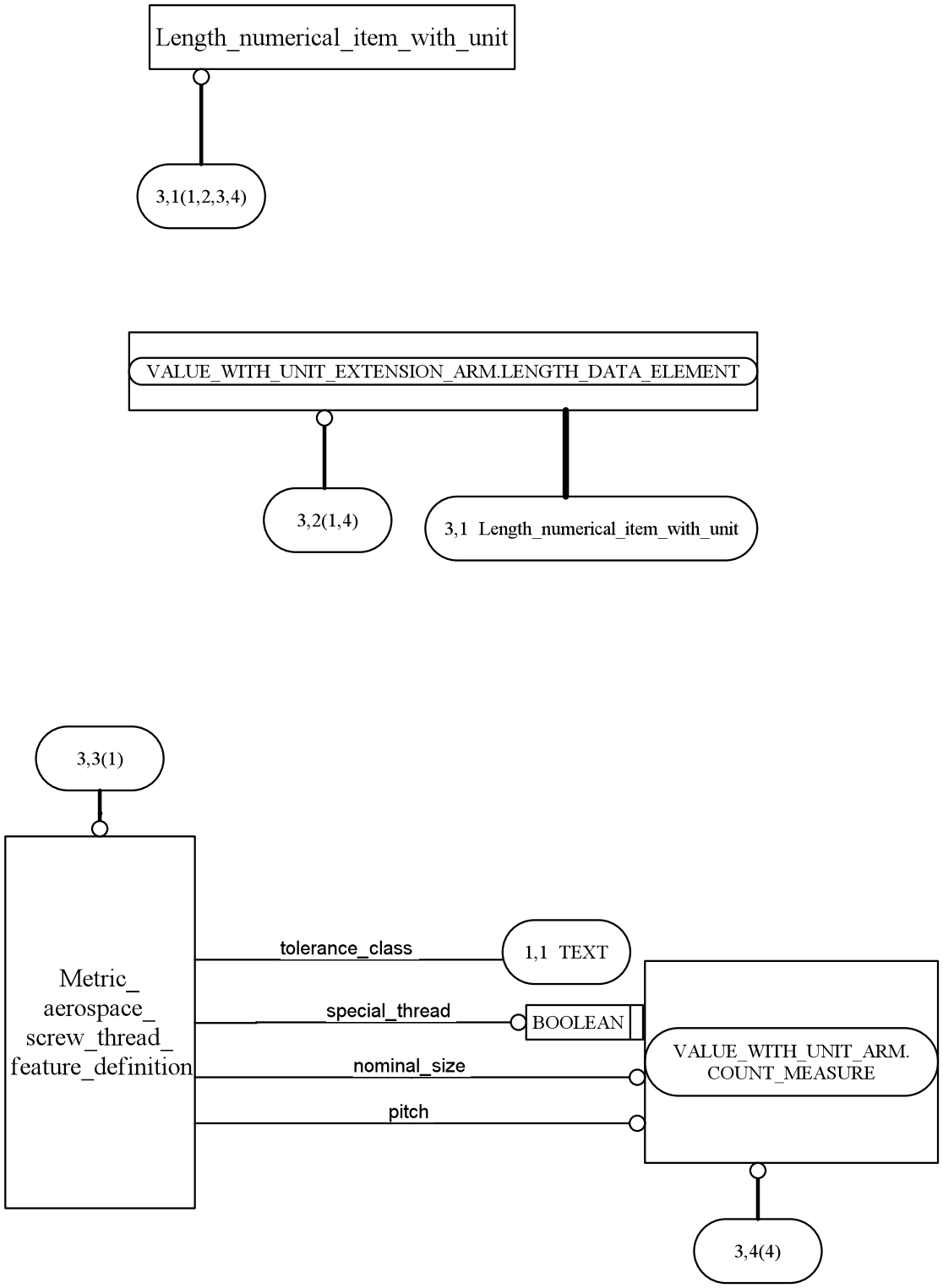



Figure 9 Screw thread ARM Diagram 2 of 4

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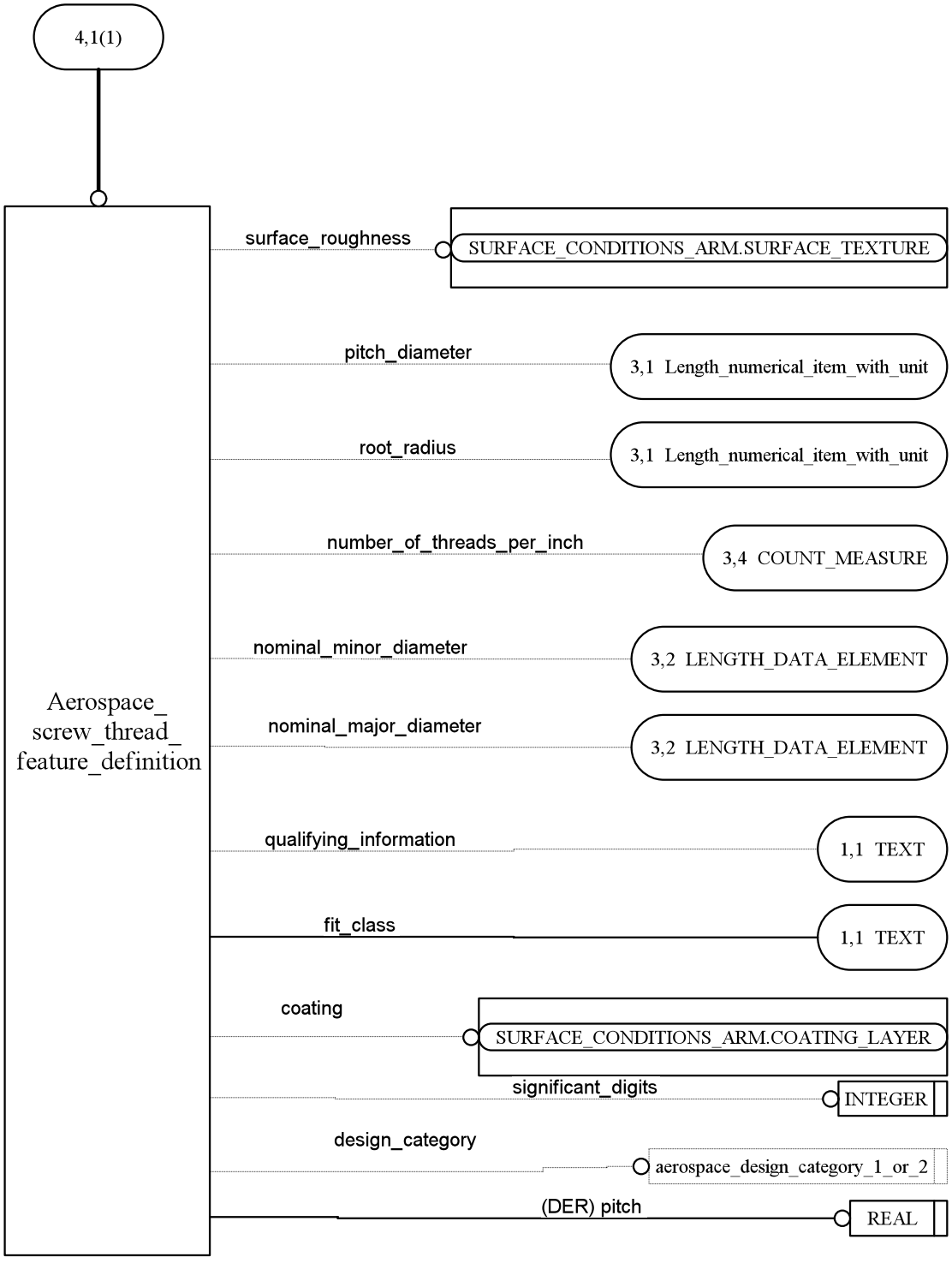



Figure 11 Screw thread ARM Diagram 4 of 4

## Weld ARM EXPRESS

```
SCHEMA Weld_arm;
USE FROM Advanced_boundary_representation_arm; -- ISO/TS
10303-1514
USE FROM Assembly_technology_arm
  (Assembled_with_bonding,
   Assembly_bond_definition);
USE FROM Characteristic_arm
     (Length_tolerance_characteristic,
      Maximum_tolerance_characteristic,
      Minimum_tolerance_characteristic,
      Nominal_tolerance_characteristic,
      Plus_minus_tolerance_characteristic,
      Qualified_tolerance_characteristic,
      Statistical_tolerance_characteristic,
      Symmetrical_tolerance_characteristic,
      Tolerance_characteristic,
      Typical_tolerance_characteristic);
USE FROM Characterizable_object_arm
   (Characterizable_object);
USE FROM Construction_geometry_arm; -- ISO/TS 10303-1131
USE FROM Dimension_tolerance_arm
  (Thickness_size,
   Linear_distance);
USE FROM Extended_measure_representation_arm
   (Value_with_tolerances);
USE FROM Foundation_representation_arm
  (Representation);
USE FROM Generic_material_aspects_arm
  (Material_identification);
USE FROM Geometric_tolerance_arm
   (Axis_placement_shape_element,
    Dimensional_location_with_datum_feature,
    Flatness_tolerance);
USE FROM Machining_features_arm
```

```
    (Face_shape_element,
     Path_element);
```

—These two AOs should be moved to another AM to avoid USE FROM Machining_features_arm

```
  USE FROM Manifold_surface_arm; -- ISO/TS 10303-1509
  USE FROM Manifold_subsurface_arm; -- ISO/TS 10303-1702
  USE FROM Model_based_3d_geometrical_dimensioning_and_-
tolerancing_representation_arm
    (Nominal_3d_feature,
     Nominal_3d_integral_feature);
  USE FROM Person_organization_assignment_arm;
```

--needed for Specification_definition

```
  USE FROM Physical_component_feature_arm
     (Physical_component_feature);
  USE FROM Product_and_manufacturing_information_view_context_arm
     (Gdt_representation_view_context,
      Material_specification_view_context,
      Model_based_view_context,
      Surface_finish_view_context);
  USE FROM Part_view_definition_arm
     (Part_view_definition_context);
  USE FROM Part_shape_arm
    (General_part_feature);
  USE FROM Product_view_definition_arm;
  USE FROM Shape_property_assignment_arm
    (Associated_shape_element);
  USE FROM Specification_document_arm
    (Process_specification);
  USE FROM Value_with_unit_arm
    (count_measure);
  USE FROM Surface_conditions_arm
     (Surface_texture);
  USE FROM Topologically_bounded_surface_arm;
  USE FROM Value_with_unit_extension_arm
     (Angle_data_element,
      Length_data_element);
```

```
      REFERENCE FROM Dimension_tolerance_arm
        (dimension_target);
      REFERENCE FROM Part_feature_location_arm
        (feature_or_non_feature_usage);
      REFERENCE FROM Physical_unit_design_view_arm
        (Assembly_component);
      REFERENCE FROM Shape_property_assignment_arm
        (shapeable_item);
        TYPE resistance_or_fusion_weld = ENUMERATION OF
          (resistance_weld,
           fusion_weld);
        END_TYPE;
        TYPE arrow_or_other = ENUMERATION OF
          (arrow_side,
           other_side);
        END_TYPE;
         TYPE centre_to_centre_or_edge_to_edge = ENUMERATION OF
          (centre_to_centre,
           edge_to_edge);
        END_TYPE;
       TYPE intermittent_or_chain_intermittent_or_-
staggered_intermittent = ENUMERATION OF
          (intermittent,
           chain_intermittent,
           staggered_intermittent);
        END_TYPE;
        TYPE supplemental_information = EXTENSIBLE ENUMERATION OF
          (flat_finished_flush,
           convex,
           concave,
           toes_blended_smoothly,
           back_run,
           backing_weld,
           specified_root_reinforcement,
           weld_all_around,
           weld_between_two_points,
```

```
          field_weld,
          staggered_intermittent_weld);
        END_TYPE;
```

—In [5] this information is referred to as supplementary symbols.

```
        TYPE weld_auxiliary_material_role = ENUMERATION OF
           (consumable_insert,
            permanent_backing,
            removable_backing,
            spacer,
            unspecified_backing);
        END_TYPE;
```

—In [5] auxiliary material is included in supplementary symbols.

```
        TYPE weld_dimension_target = SELECT BASED_ON dimension_target
WITH (Nominal_3d_feature);
        END_TYPE;
```

—A target is needed for the dimension tolerance associated with a flatness tolerance that may be applied to the finished workpiece.

```
        TYPE weld_shapeable_item = SELECT BASED_ON shapeable_item WITH
          (Characterizable_object);
        END_TYPE;
```

—Weld_shapeable_item is needed for STEPmod integration.

```
        ENTITY Angle_tolerance_characteristic
          SUBTYPE OF(Tolerance_characteristic);
          WHERE
            WR1 : ('CHARACTERISTIC_ARM.-
STATISTICAL_TOLERANCE_CHARACTERISTIC' IN TYPEOF(SELF)) OR
       ('CHARACTERISTIC_ARM.SYMMETRICAL_TOLERANCE_CHARACTERISTIC' IN
TYPEOF(SELF)) OR
             ('CHARACTERISTIC_ARM.PLUS_MINUS_TOLERANCE_CHARACTERISTIC'
IN TYPEOF(SELF)) OR
             (SIZEOF(QUERY(it <* SELF\Representation.items |
               NOT('VALUE_WITH_UNIT_EXTENSION_ARM.ANGLE_DATA_ELEMENT'
IN TYPEOF(it))
              )) = 0);
           WR2 : NOT('CHARACTERISTIC_ARM.' +
'SYMMETRICAL_TOLERANCE_CHARACTERISTIC' IN TYPEOF(SELF)) OR
```

```
              (SIZEOF(QUERY(it <* SELF\Representation.items |
              ('VALUE_WITH_UNIT_EXTENSION_ARM.ANGLE_DATA_ELEMENT' IN
TYPEOF(it))
                 )) = 1);
           WR3 :
NOT('CHARACTERISTIC_ARM.STATISTICAL_TOLERANCE_CHARACTERISTIC' IN
TYPEOF(SELF)) OR
              (SIZEOF(QUERY(it <* SELF\Representation.items |
              ('VALUE_WITH_UNIT_EXTENSION_ARM.ANGLE_DATA_ELEMENT' IN
TYPEOF(it))
                 )) = 1);
           WR4 : NOT EXISTS(SELF\Representation.description);
           WR5 :
NOT('CHARACTERISTIC_ARM.PLUS_MINUS_TOLERANCE_CHARACTERISTIC' IN
TYPEOF(SELF)) OR
              (SIZEOF(QUERY(it <* SELF\Representation.items |
NOT(('EXTENDED_MEASURE_REPRESENTATION_ARM.VALUE_WITH_TOLERANCES' IN
TYPEOF(it)) AND
                   ('VALUE_WITH_UNIT_EXTENSION_ARM.ANGLE_DATA_ELEMENT'
IN TYPEOF(it\Value_with_tolerances.item_value)))
               )) = 0);
       END_ENTITY;
```

—Angles may have tolerance associated. This AO will be added to [18].

```
       ENTITY Butt_joint
         SUPERTYPE OF (ONEOF (Flanged_Butt_joint,
Inclined_Butt_joint))
         SUBTYPE OF(Welded_joint);
           SELF\assembled_with_bonding.default_bond_definition :
Butt_joint_welding_definition;
       END_ENTITY;
```

—Butt_joint specifies a butt joint specific welding definition.

```
       ENTITY Butt_joint_welding_definition
         SUBTYPE OF(Welding_definition);
           SELF\Welding_definition.welds : set [1:?] OF
Butt_weld_definition;
         INVERSE
```

```
          welded_joints : SET [1:?] OF Butt_joint FOR
default_bond_definition;
        END_ENTITY;
```

—Butt_joint_welding_definition specifies a set of Butt_weld_definitions and associates those weld definitions to one or more Butt_joints.

```
        ENTITY Butt_weld_definition
          SUPERTYPE OF (ONEOF(
           Square_butt_weld_definition,
           Single_v_butt_weld_definition,
           Single_bevel_butt_weld_definition,
           Single_u_butt_weld_definition,
           Single_j_butt_weld_definition,
           Flare_v_weld_definition,
           Flare_bevel_weld_definition))
          SUBTYPE OF(Weld_definition);
            partial_penetration_depth   : OPTIONAL
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
            intermittent_data           : OPTIONAL
Weld_intermittent_position_data;
            full_penetration            : BOOLEAN;
            joint_preparation_depth     : OPTIONAL
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
            root_gap                    : OPTIONAL
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
            included_angle              : OPTIONAL
Angle_tolerance_characteristic;
            joint_preparation_defined   : BOOLEAN;
          INVERSE
           quality_specification : SET [0:1] OF Document_assignment FOR
is_assigned_to;
```

—Specifies the document that controls the weld quality when joint_preparation is undefined.

```
          WHERE
            WR1 : full_penetration XOR
EXISTS(partial_penetration_depth);
            WR2 : joint_preparation_defined OR
```

```
(SIZEOF(quality_specification) = 1);
           WR3 : intermittent_data\Weld_-
intermittent_position_data.distance_type =
centre_to_centre_or_edge_to_edge.edge_to_edge;
       END_ENTITY;
```

—A Butt_weld_definition contains the detailed requirements for butt welds.

—Attributes and SUBTYPEs are derived from [5]

—Terms found in [5] are used for this AO and SUBTYPEs.

(*

*Attribute definitions*

[[joint_preparation_defined]]

joint_preparation_defined specifies that joint preparation shall be provided.

note: in the case that explicit joint preparation is not provided, only the specified weld quality is provided.

example: A butt weld is specified to be in accordance with ISO 5817-8 but the joint preparation is not provided. The production unit will use ISO 5817-8 for quality purposes.

WR1

The penetration provided shall be indicated as full or a value shall be provided for partial penetration, but both full indication and partial penetration data shall not be simultaneously provided.

WR2

When joint preparation is defined, a quality specification need not be provided. When joint preparation is not defined, a quality specification shall be provided.

WR3

The distance type is edge to edge.*)

```
  ENTITY Corner_joint
    SUBTYPE OF(Welded_joint);
      SELF\assembled_with_bonding.default_bond_definition :
Corner_joint_welding_definition;
  END_ENTITY;
```

—Corner_joint specifies a corner joint specific welding definition.

```
  ENTITY Corner_joint_welding_definition
```

```
          SUBTYPE OF(Welding_definition);
          INVERSE
          welded_joints : SET [1:?] OF Corner_joint FOR
default_bond_definition;
        END_ENTITY;
```

—Corner_joint specific welding definition.

```
        ENTITY Double_bevel_butt_weld_definition
             SUBTYPE OF (Pre_defined_combined_weld_definition);
              arrow_side : Single_bevel_butt_weld_definition;
              other_side : OPTIONAL Single_bevel_butt_weld_definition;
          WHERE
           WR1 : SELF\Pre_defined_combined_weld_definition.symmetrical
XOR EXISTS(other_side);
```

—If the weld is symmetrical then the other side shall not be provided, and the converse is true.

```
        END_ENTITY;
```

—The Double_bevel_butt_weld_definition is specified in [5].

```
        ENTITY Double_bevel_butt_with_-
broad_root_face_and_fillet_welds_weld_definition
             SUBTYPE OF (Double_bevel_butt_weld_definition);
              arrow_side_fillet : fillet_weld_definition;
              other_side_fillet : OPTIONAL fillet_weld_definition;
          WHERE
           WR1 : SELF\Pre_defined_combined_weld_definition.symmetrical
XOR EXISTS(other_side_fillet);
```

—If the weld is symmetrical then the other side shall not be provided, and the converse is true.

```
        END_ENTITY;
```

—The Double_bevel_butt_with_broad_root_face_and_fillet_welds_weld_definition is specified in [5].

```
        ENTITY Double_u_butt_weld_definition
             SUBTYPE OF (Pre_defined_combined_weld_definition);
              arrow_side : Single_u_butt_weld_definition;
              other_side : OPTIONAL Single_u_butt_weld_definition;
          WHERE
```

```
          WR1 : SELF\Pre_defined_combined_weld_definition.symmetrical
XOR EXISTS(other_side);
```

—If the weld is symmetrical then the other side shall not be provided, and the converse is true.

```
        END_ENTITY;
```

—The Double_u_butt_weld_definition is specified in [5].

```
        ENTITY Double_v_butt_weld_definition
             SUBTYPE OF (Pre_defined_combined_weld_definition);
              arrow_side : Single_v_butt_weld_definition;
              other_side : OPTIONAL Single_v_butt_weld_definition;
          WHERE
           WR1 : SELF\Pre_defined_combined_weld_definition.symmetrical
XOR EXISTS(other_side);
```

—If the weld is symmetrical then the other side shall not be provided, and the converse is true.

```
        END_ENTITY;
```

—The Double_v_butt_weld_definition is specified in [5].

```
        ENTITY Edge_joint
          SUBTYPE OF(Welded_joint);
            SELF\assembled_with_bonding.default_bond_definition :
Edge_joint_welding_definition;
        END_ENTITY;
```

—Edge_joint specifies an edge joint specific welding definition.

```
        ENTITY Edge_joint_welding_definition SUBTYPE
OF(Welding_definition);
          INVERSE
          welded_joints : SET [1:?] OF Edge_joint FOR
default_bond_definition;
        END_ENTITY;
```

—Edge_joint specific welding definition.

```
        ENTITY Edge_weld_definition
          SUBTYPE OF(Weld_definition);
            weld_metal_thickness : Length_tolerance_characteristic;
```

—The metal thickness is a length and may have a tolerance.

```
        END_ENTITY;
```

—The edge weld is specified in [5].

```
ENTITY Fillet_weld_definition
  SUBTYPE OF(Weld_definition);
    leg_length                          : OPTIONAL
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
    nominal_throat_thickness            : OPTIONAL
Length_data_element;
    deep_penetration_throat_thickness : OPTIONAL
Length_data_element;
    unequal_legs                        : OPTIONAL LIST [2:2] OF
Leg_based_on_surface;
    intermittent_data                   : OPTIONAL
Weld_intermittent_position_data;
  WHERE
    WR1 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.distance_type =
centre_to_centre_or_edge_to_edge.edge_to_edge;
```

—The distance between welds in the intermittent case shall be edge to edge.

```
END_ENTITY;
```

—The fillet weld is specified in [5].

—Leg length, nominal throat thickness, deep penetration throat thickness, and intermittent data are specified in [5].

—Unequal legs specifies two surface based properties that when provided, are provided in pairs as specified in [5].

```
ENTITY Flanged_Butt_joint
  SUBTYPE OF(Butt_joint);
END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of butt joint specified in [5].

```
ENTITY Flanged_butt_or_corner_weld_definition
     SUBTYPE OF (Weld_definition);
END_ENTITY;
```

—The flanged butt or corner weld is specified in [5].

```
ENTITY Flanged_Corner_joint
  SUBTYPE OF(Corner_joint);
END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of corner joint specified in [5].

```
  ENTITY Flare_bevel_weld_definition
    SUBTYPE OF (Butt_weld_definition);
      flare_bevel                 :
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
```

—Flare bevel is a length specified in [5] that may have a tolerance applied.

```
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of butt weld specified in [5].

```
  ENTITY Flare_v_weld_definition
    SUBTYPE OF (Butt_weld_definition);
      flare_v                     :
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
```

—Flare v is a length specified in [5] that may have a tolerance applied.

```
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of butt weld specified in [5].

```
  ENTITY Inclined_Butt_joint
    SUBTYPE OF(Butt_joint);
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of butt joint specified in [5].

```
  ENTITY Single_bevel_butt_weld_definition
    SUBTYPE OF (Butt_weld_definition);
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of butt weld specified in [5].

```
  ENTITY Single_bevel_butt_with_broad_root_face_weld_definition
    SUBTYPE OF (Single_bevel_butt_weld_definition);
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of butt weld specified in [5].

```
  ENTITY Single_u_butt_weld_definition
    SUBTYPE OF (Butt_weld_definition);
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of butt weld specified in [5].

```
  ENTITY Single_v_butt_weld_definition
    SUBTYPE OF (Butt_weld_definition);
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of butt weld specified in [5].

```
ENTITY Single_v_butt_with_broad_root_face_weld_definition
  SUBTYPE OF (Single_v_butt_weld_definition);
END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of butt weld specified in [5].

```
ENTITY Lap_joint
  SUBTYPE OF(Welded_joint);
    SELF\assembled_with_bonding.default_bond_definition :
Lap_joint_welding_definition;
END_ENTITY;
```

—Lap_joint specifies a lap joint specific welding definition.

```
ENTITY Lap_joint_welding_definition
  SUBTYPE OF(Welding_definition);
  INVERSE
   welded_joints : SET [1:?] OF Lap_joint FOR
default_bond_definition;
 END_ENTITY;
```

—Lap_joint specific welding definition.

```
ENTITY Leg_based_on_surface;
    leg_length         : Length_tolerance_characteristic;
    leg_reference_face : OPTIONAL Face_shape_element;
END_ENTITY;
```

—A Leg_based_on_surface associates a length characteristic with a face. This is provided as a separate AO in order to improve ARM clarity.

```
ENTITY Overlay_weld_definition
  SUBTYPE OF(Weld_definition);
    overlay_thickness : Length_tolerance_characteristic;
```

—Thickness specified in [5]. The length may have a tolerance applied.

```
END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of weld specified in [5].

```
ENTITY Path_element_with_ends
 SUBTYPE OF(Path_element);
  start_point :    Axis_placement_shape_element;
```

—The start is associated with an Axis_placement.

```
    end_point   :    Axis_placement_shape_element;
```

—The end is associated with an Axis_placement.

```
  WHERE
   WR1 : start_point :<>: end_point;
```

—The start and end points are different.

```
  END_ENTITY;
```

—Path_element_with_ends is provided when needed. Explicit ends are provided.

```
  ENTITY Plug_weld_in_circular_holes_definition
    SUBTYPE OF(Weld_definition);
      full_penetration                                : BOOLEAN;
      plug_diameter                                   :
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
      partial_fill_depth                              : OPTIONAL
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
      intermittent_data                               : OPTIONAL
Weld_intermittent_position_data;
    WHERE
     WR1 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.intermittent_type = intermittent_or_chain_intermittent_-
or_staggered_intermittent.intermittent;
```

—Only intermittent data shall be provided for Plug_weld_in_slot_definition.intermittent_data.

```
     WR2 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.distance_type = centre_to_-
centre_or_edge_to_edge.centre_to_centre;
```

—The distance between weld elements shall be centre to centre.

```
      WR3 : full_penetration XOR EXISTS(partial_fill_depth);
```

--The penetration provided shall be indicated as full or a value shall be

--provided for partial fill, but both full indication and partial

--fill data shall not be simultaneously provided.

```
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of weld specified in [5].

```
  ENTITY Plug_weld_in_slot_definition
    SUBTYPE OF(Weld_definition);
      full_penetration   : BOOLEAN;
      slot_width         : OPTIONAL
```

```
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
            partial_fill_depth : OPTIONAL
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
            intermittent_data  : OPTIONAL
Weld_intermittent_position_data;
            countersink_angle  : OPTIONAL
Angle_tolerance_characteristic;
          WHERE
           WR1 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.intermittent_type = intermittent_or_chain_-
intermittent_or_staggered_intermittent.intermittent;
      —Only intermittent data shall be provided for
Plug_weld_in_slot_definition.intermittent_data.
           WR2 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.distance_type = centre_to_centre_or_-
edge_to_edge.edge_to_edge;
```

—The distance between weld elements shall be edge to edge.

```
            WR3 : full_penetration XOR EXISTS(partial_fill_depth);
```

--The penetration provided shall be indicated as full or a value shall be provided for partial fill, but both full indication and partial fill data shall not be simultaneously provided.

```
        END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of weld specified in [5].

—Full penetration, slot width, partial fill depth, intermittent data, and countersink angle are specified in [5].

```
        ENTITY Pre_defined_combined_weld_definition
           SUPERTYPE OF (ONEOF(
             Double_v_butt_weld_definition,
             Double_bevel_butt_weld_definition,
             Double_u_butt_weld_definition))
           SUBTYPE OF (Weld_definition);
             symmetrical : BOOLEAN;
        END_ENTITY;
```

—Predefined weld combinations specified in [5].

—Symmetrical specifies if both arrow and other side are treated equally.

```
        ENTITY Seam_weld_definition
```

```
    SUBTYPE OF(Weld_definition);
      weld_type         : resistance_or_fusion_weld;
```

—A weld may be either resistance or fusion.

```
      intermittent_data : OPTIONAL
Weld_intermittent_position_data;
```

—There may be more than one weld specified.

```
      weld_width        : Length_tolerance_characteristic;
```

—The cross-sectional width of the weld.

```
    WHERE
     WR1 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.intermittent_type = intermittent_or_chain_-
intermittent_or_staggered_intermittent.intermittent;
```

—Only intermittent data shall be provided for Plug_weld_in_slot_definition.intermittent_data.

```
     WR2 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.distance_type = centre_to_centre_-
or_edge_to_edge.edge_to_edge;
```

—The distance between weld elements shall be edge to edge.

```
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of weld specified in [5].

```
  ENTITY Single_j_butt_weld_definition
    SUBTYPE OF (Butt_weld_definition);
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of weld specified in [5].

```
  ENTITY Spot_weld_definition
    SUBTYPE OF(Weld_definition);
      weld_diameter          : Length_tolerance_characteristic;
      intermittent_data : OPTIONAL
Weld_intermittent_position_data;
```

—There may be more than one weld specified.

```
      weld_type              : resistance_or_fusion_weld;
    WHERE
     WR1 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.intermittent_type = intermittent_or_-
chain_intermittent_or_staggered_intermittent.intermittent;
```

—Only intermittent data shall be provided for Plug_weld_in_slot_definition.intermittent_data.

```
          WR2 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.distance_type = centre_to_centre_or_-
edge_to_edge.centre_to_centre;
```

—The distance between weld elements shall be centre to centre.

```
          IP1 : The nominal weld_diameter shall equal
                intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.nominal_length_of_weld_element.
        END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of weld specified in [5].

—Weld diameter, intermittent data, and weld type are specified in [5].

```
        ENTITY Square_butt_weld_definition
          SUBTYPE OF (Butt_weld_definition);
        END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of weld specified in [5].

```
        ENTITY Stake_weld_definition
             SUBTYPE OF (Weld_definition);
        END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of weld specified in [5].

```
        ENTITY Steep_flanked_single_v_butt_weld_definition
          SUBTYPE OF (Single_v_butt_weld_definition);
        END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of weld specified in [5].

```
        ENTITY Stud_weld_definition
          SUBTYPE OF(Weld_definition);
            stud_diameter          : Length_tolerance_characteristic;
            intermittent_data : OPTIONAL
Weld_intermittent_position_data;
          WHERE
           WR1 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.intermittent_type = intermittent_or_-
chain_intermittent_or_staggered_intermittent.intermittent;
```

—Only intermittent data shall be provided for Plug_weld_in_slot_definition.intermittent_data.

```
          WR2 : intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.distance_type = centre_to_centre_or_-
edge_to_edge.centre_to_centre;
```

—The distance between weld elements shall be centre to centre.

```
          IP1 : The nominal stud_diameter shall equal
                intermittent_data\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.nominal_length_of_weld_element.
        END_ENTITY;
```

—A type of weld specified in [5].

—Stud diameter, and intermittent data are specified in [5].

```
        ENTITY T_joint
          SUBTYPE OF(Welded_joint);
            SELF\assembled_with_bonding.default_bond_definition :
T_joint_welding_definition;
        END_ENTITY;
```

—T_joint specifies a T joint specific welding definition.

```
        ENTITY T_joint_welding_definition
          SUBTYPE OF(Welding_definition);
          INVERSE
          welded_joints : SET [1:?] OF T_joint FOR
default_bond_definition;
        END_ENTITY;
```

—T_joint specific welding definition.

```
        ENTITY Weld_auxiliary_material
          SUBTYPE OF (Material_identification);
            role : weld_auxiliary_material_role;
```

—Role as defined in [4] or [5]

```
          shape : OPTIONAL Associated_shape_element;
```

—There may be a specific shape provided.

```
          SELF\Material_identification.items : SET [1:1] OF
Welding_definition;
```

—The Welding_definition for which the material is auxiliary.

```
        END_ENTITY;
```

—Material used as auxiliary material. This is the standard STEP material model.

```
        ENTITY Weld_context
```

```
    SUBTYPE OF (Part_view_definition_context);
  DERIVE
    SELF\View_definition_context.application_domain : STRING :=
'weld';
    SELF\View_definition_context.life_cycle_stage : STRING :=
'design';
  END_ENTITY;
```

—A view definition context is provided to allow validation, verification and conformance support.

—This context is a design context and a weld context.

```
  ENTITY Weld_definition
    SUPERTYPE OF (ONEOF(
        Fillet_weld_definition,
        Butt_weld_definition,
        Flanged_butt_or_corner_weld_definition,
        Plug_weld_in_circular_holes_definition,
        Plug_weld_in_slot_definition,
        Spot_weld_definition,
        Seam_weld_definition,
        Edge_weld_definition,
        Overlay_weld_definition,
        Stake_weld_definition,
        Stud_weld_definition,
        Pre_defined_combined_weld_definition))
    SUBTYPE OF (Characterizable_object);
  END_ENTITY;
```

—The weld types as specified in [4] and [5]. Some types are further SUBTYPEd in this document in accordance with [4] and [5].

```
  ENTITY Weld_element
    SUBTYPE OF (Characterizable_object);
     precedent_element : OPTIONAL Weld_element;
```

—The preceding element in the linked list of elements.

```
     identifier : count_measure;
```

—The identification of the position of this element in the list.

```
     side : arrow_or_other;
```

—The side to which the weld element is applied.

```
derived_from : Weld_intermittent_position_data;
```

—The parametric source for identification of weld elements. There is also an existence dependency relationship on the Weld_intermittent_position_data that is in the role of derived_from.

```
INVERSE
 subsequent_element : SET [0:1] OF Weld_element for
precedent_element;
```

—In a linked list, the subsequent element.

```
UNIQUE
 UR1 : identifier, derived_from;
```

—No identifier may be used more than once in the context of a specific Weld_intermittent_position_data.

```
WHERE
 WR1 : identifier > 0;
```

—The lower bound of the identifier shall be 1.

```
 WR2 : identifier <= derived_from\Weld_intermittent_-
position_data.number_of_weld_elements;
```

—The upper bound of the identifier shall be the number of Weld_elements.

```
 WR3 :  NOT EXISTS(precedent_element) OR
        (NOT (SIZEOF(subsequent_element) = 1) OR
        (acyclic_weld_element_precedence_relationship(SELF,
         [subsequent_element[1]],
         'WELD_ARM_LF.WELD_ELEMENT')));
```

—There shall be no cycles in the list of Weld_elements.

```
 WR4 : EXISTS(precedent_element) XOR (identifier = 1);
```

—The initial element shall provide no precedent_element; for that initial element the identifier shall be 1.

```
END_ENTITY;
```

(*Weld_element is derived from the Weld_intermittent_position_data as required for inspection purposes. The Weld_element.identifier represents the element at the identifier position in the list of elements.

Weld_element is a requirement specification for a capability. Other solutions may be adopted as a result of the consensus development process in ISO TC 184/SC 4/WG 12.

```
*)
  ENTITY Weld_intermittent_position_data
    SUBTYPE OF (Characterizable_object);
      intermittent_type : intermittent_or_-
chain_intermittent_or_staggered_intermittent;
```

—The position data shall be one of three possible types: intermittent, chained intermittent, or staggered intermittent as specified in [4] and [5]

```
      number_of_weld_elements                : count_measure;
```

—The number of weld elements as specified in [4] and [5]

```
      nominal_length_of_weld_element         :
Length_data_element;
```

—The nominal length of a weld element as specified in [4] and [5]

```
      distance_between_weld_elements :
Length_tolerance_characteristic;
```

—The distance between weld elements as specified in [4] and [5]

```
      distance_type : centre_to_centre_or_edge_to_edge;
```

—The AOs referencing this AO specify whether the distance between weld elements is centre to centre or nearest edge to nearest edge.

```
    INVERSE
     weld_elements : SET [0:?] OF Weld_element FOR derived_from;
```

—The weld elements that are derived from the combination of the number of weld elements, the type of position data, and path information inherited from the welded joint. Weld elements are provided to enable inspection results to be correlated back to the original welding symbol but are not required nor specified in [4] and [5].

```
    WHERE
     WR1 : number_of_weld_elements > 1;
```

—There shall be at least two weld elements.

```
      WR2 : NOT (SIZEOF(weld_elements) > 0) OR
(SIZEOF(weld_elements) = number_of_weld_elements);
```

—If the attribute weld_elements is populated with data, then the number of elements in that data shall equal the value of number_of_weld_elements.

```
      WR3 : NOT (SIZEOF(weld_elements) > 0) OR
                (SIZEOF(QUERY(we <* weld_elements | EXISTS(we
\Weld_element.precedent_element))) =
```

```
                    (number_of_weld_elements -1));
```

—If the attribute weld_elements is populated with data, then there shall be one element that does not have a precedent. That element is the initial element in the list.

```
      END_ENTITY;
```

—The Weld_intermittent_position_data AO is derived from the intermittent data requirements specified in [4] and [5].

```
      ENTITY Welded_joint
        ABSTRACT SUPERTYPE OF (ONEOF(Butt_joint,
                                     Corner_joint,
                                     T_joint,
                                     Lap_joint,
                                     Edge_joint))
        SUBTYPE OF(Assembled_with_bonding);
        SELF\Assembled_with_bonding.default_bond_definition :
Welding_definition;
      END_ENTITY;
```

—The Welded_joint is a type of Assembly_joint that is bonded using welding processes.

—The Welded_joint specifies the Welding_definition that provides the details of the welding requirements.

—The types of Welded_joint are specified in [4] and [5].

```
      ENTITY Welding_definition
        ABSTRACT SUPERTYPE OF (ONEOF(
               Butt_joint_welding_definition,
               Corner_joint_welding_definition,
               T_joint_welding_definition,
               Lap_joint_welding_definition,
               Edge_joint_welding_definition))
```

—The type of Welding_definition provided is based on the type of Welded_joint associated with the definition.

```
        SUBTYPE OF(Assembly_bond_definition);
          supplemental_information : SET [0:?] OF
supplemental_information;
```

—Optional supplementary information as defined in [4] and [5]

```
            surface_texture          : OPTIONAL Surface_texture;
```

—Optional surface text information as required by [4] and [5].

```
        welds                       : SET [1:?] OF Weld_definition;
```

—Welds provides the detailed parametric data about each weld defined by a welding symbol.

```
        process_specification    : SET [0:?] OF
Process_specification;
```

—Optional process specification as required by [4] and [5].

```
        path                        : OPTIONAL Path_element_with_ends;
```

—Optional path for path based welding as required by [4] and [5].

```
        arrow_side                  : Associated_shape_element;
```

—The arrow side of the welded joint as defined by [4] and [5].

```
        other_side                  : OPTIONAL
Associated_shape_element;
```

—The other side of the welded joint as defined by [4] and [5].

—The model uses Associated_shape_element to provide a link to a geometric face for both arrow and other side. The model uses a generic reference rather than a specific reference for flexibility in the case that the geometric model does not contain explicit faces.

```
      INVERSE
        welded_joint                : SET [1:?] OF Welded_joint FOR
default_bond_definition;
```

—A Welding_definition may be specified by more than one Welded_joint. That relationship satisfies the requirement in [4] and [5] that a welding symbol shall be able to specify more than one joint.

```
        auxiliary_material          : SET [0:?] OF
Weld_auxiliary_material FOR items;
```

—Optional material callout as required by [4] and [5].

```
      WHERE
       WR1 : arrow_side :<>: other_side;
```

—The arrow side and other side shall be distinct.

```
       WR2 : NOT EXISTS(SELF\Assembly_bond_-
definition.bonded_feature_1) AND
             NOT EXISTS(SELF\Assembly_bond_-
definition.bonded_feature_2);
```

—The attributes bonded_feature_1 and bonded_featur_2 specified by the supertype AO

Assembly_bond_definition shall not be provided.

```
END_ENTITY;
ENTITY Welding_definition_sequence_relationship;
  precedent_welding_definition : Welding_definition;
  subsequent_welding_definition : Welding_definition;
 WHERE
   WR1 : w_acyclic_sequence (precedent_welding_definition,
subsequent_welding_definition);
```

—There shall be no cycles in the sequence.

```
END_ENTITY;
```

—Welding symbols may be applied in a sequence. This AO provides a directed sequence relationship as defined by [4] and [5].

```
FUNCTION w_acyclic_sequence ( input1 : Welding_definition;
input2 : Welding_definition) : BOOLEAN;
RETURN (TRUE);
END_FUNCTION;
```

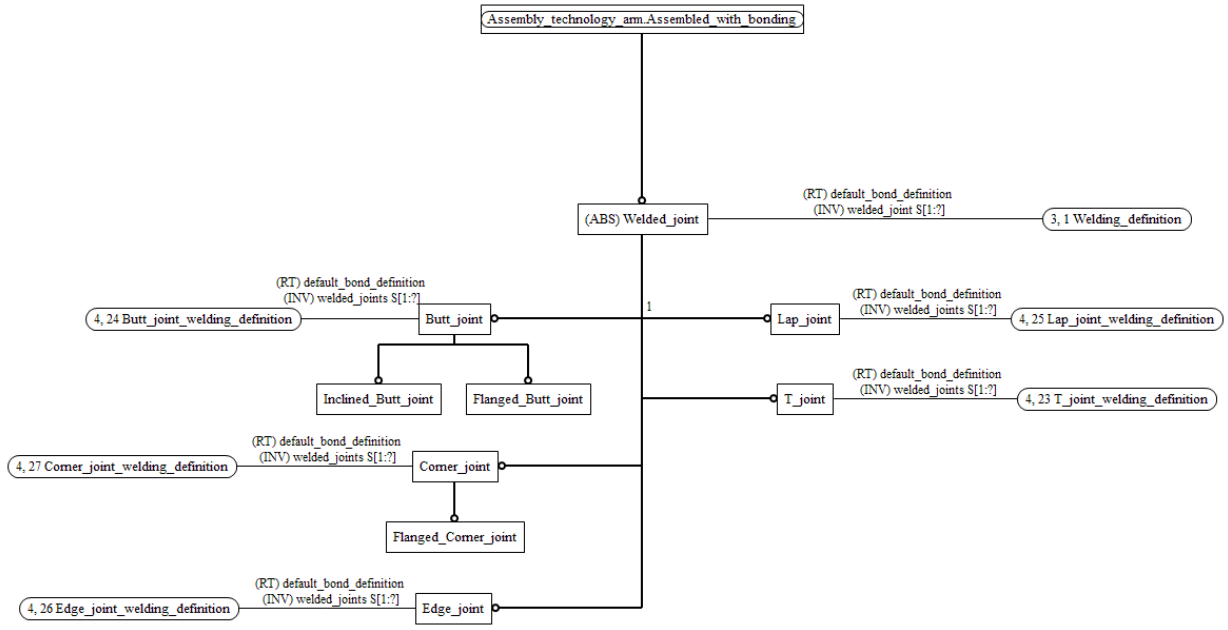
—w_acyclic_sequence is a function signature provided because ARMs are not formally implemented in STEP.

```
FUNCTION acyclic_weld_element_precedence_relationship
    (relation : Weld_element; relatives : SET[1:?] OF
    Weld_element; specific_relation : STRING) : BOOLEAN;
  LOCAL
    x : SET OF Weld_element;
  END_LOCAL;
  IF relation.precedent_element IN relatives THEN
    RETURN (FALSE);
  END_IF;
    x := QUERY(pd <*
bag_to_set(USEDIN(relation.precedent_element,
      'WELD_ARM.' + 'WELD_ELEMENT.' +
      'SUBSEQUENT_ELEMENT')) | specific_relation IN
TYPEOF(pd));
  REPEAT i := 1 TO HIINDEX(x);
    IF NOT acyclic_weld_element_precedence_relationship(x[i],
relatives +
```

```
        relation.precedent_element, specific_relation) THEN
        RETURN (FALSE);
      END_IF;
    END_REPEAT;
    RETURN (TRUE);
  END_FUNCTION;
```

—This function returns TRUE if there are no cycles in the sequence of weld elements.

```
END_SCHEMA;
```

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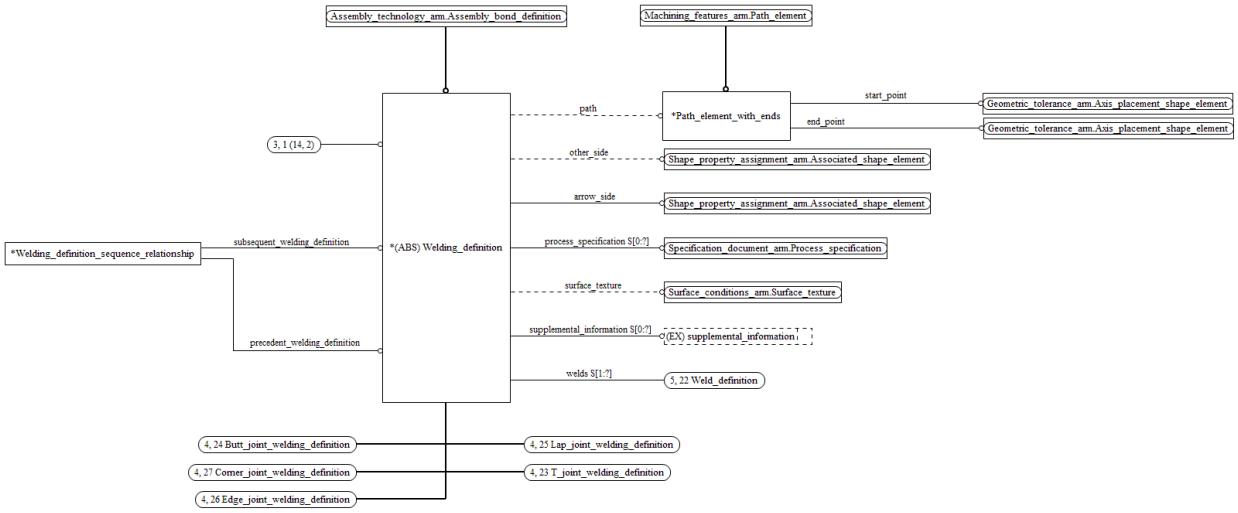


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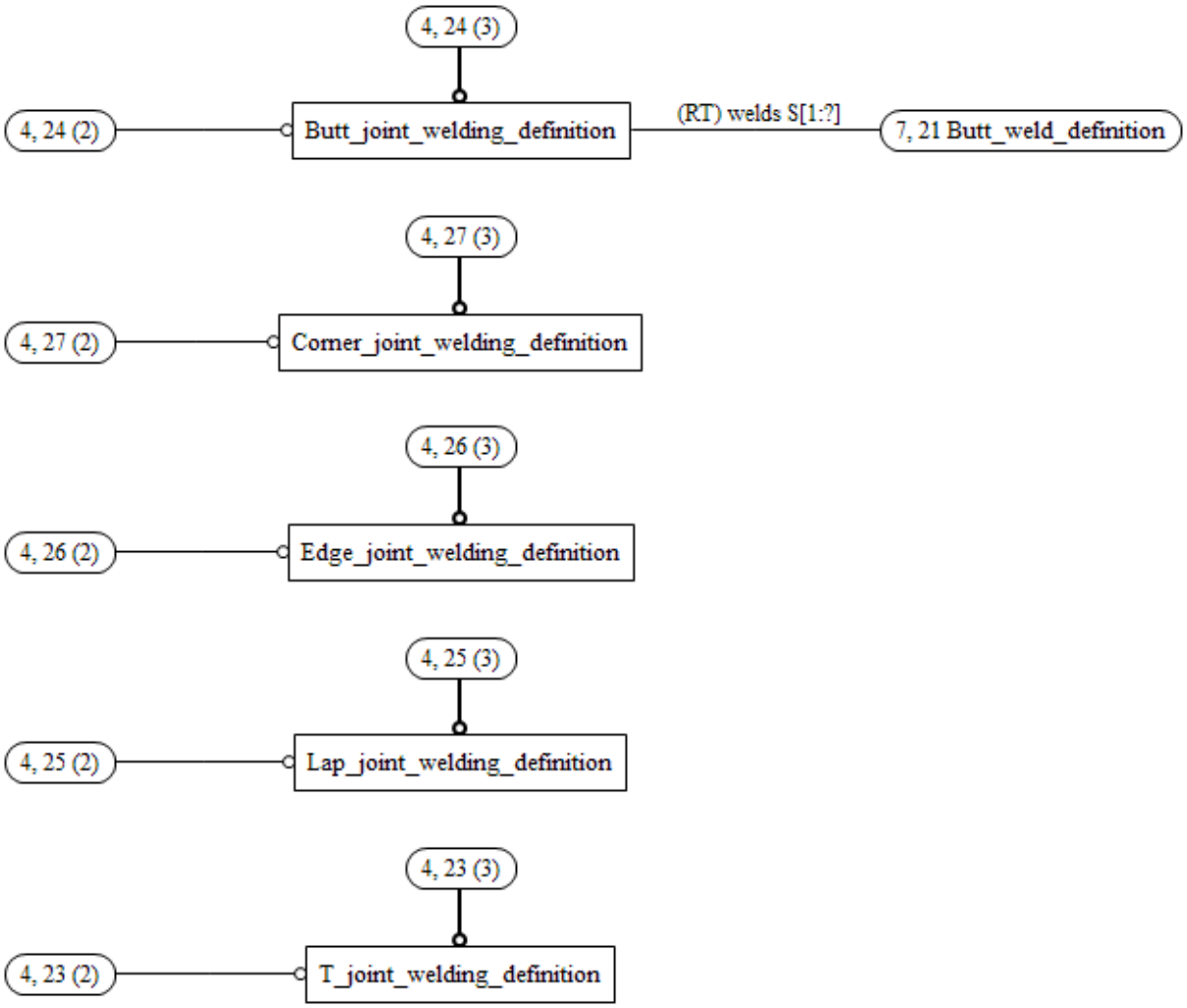


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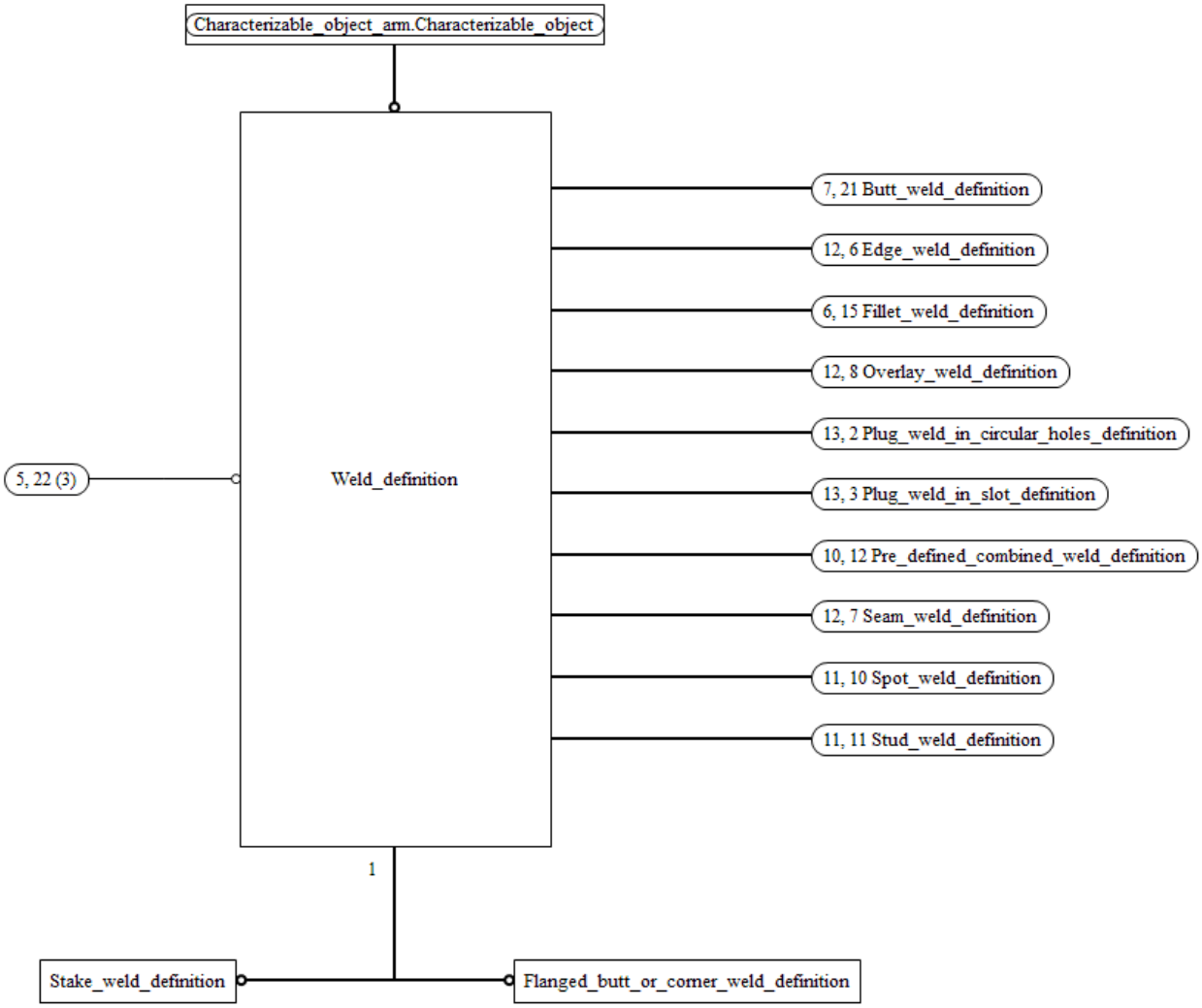


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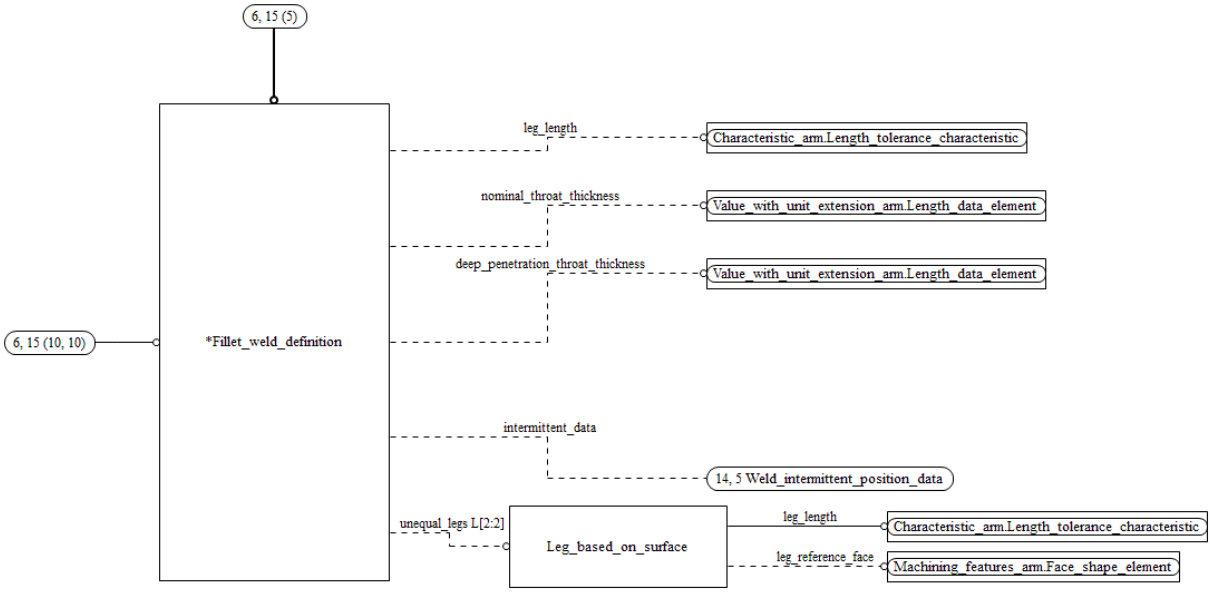


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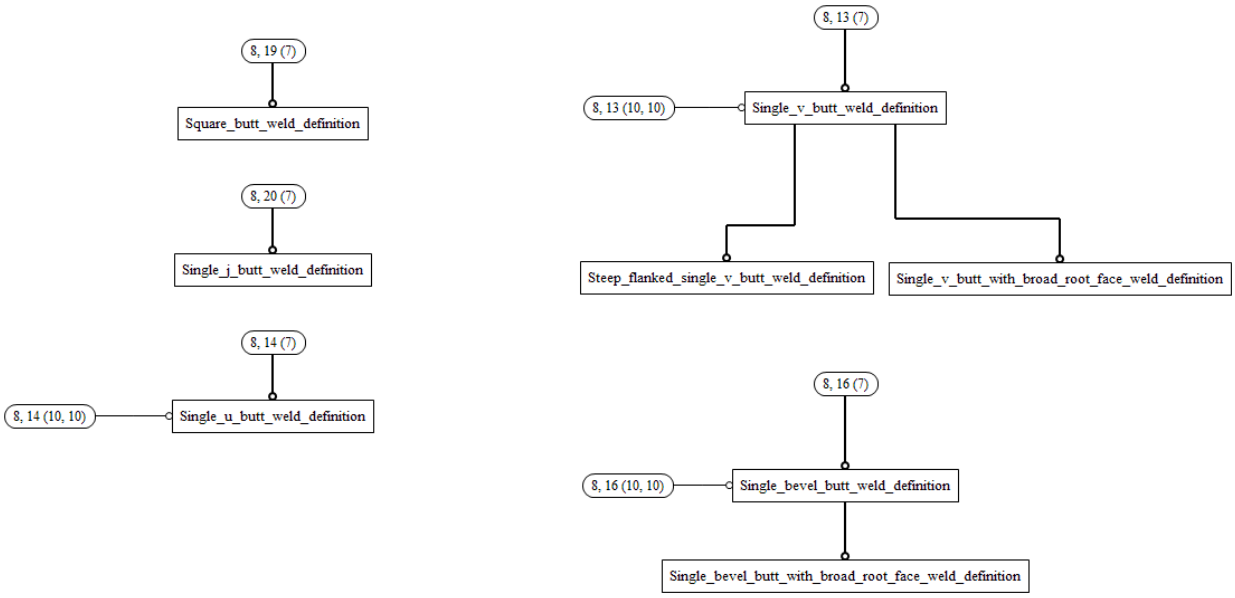


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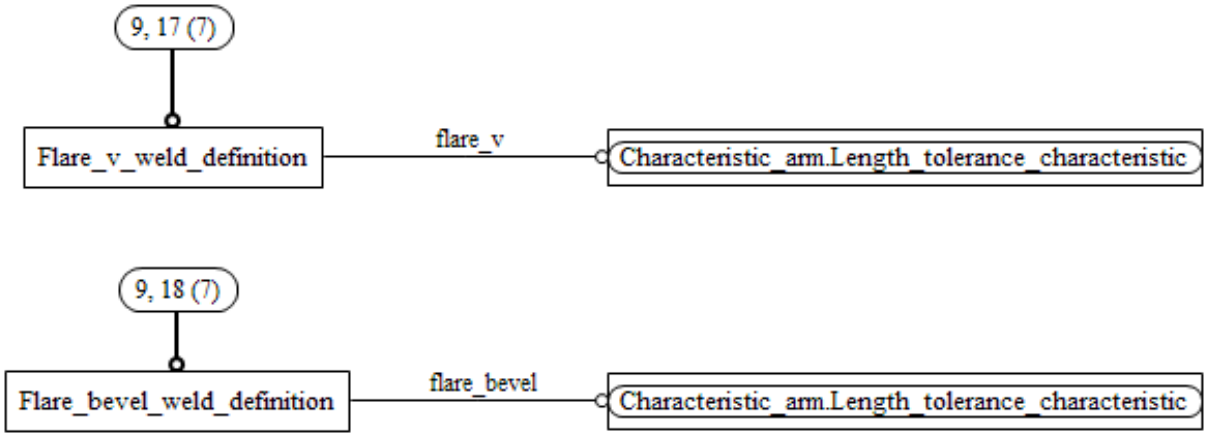


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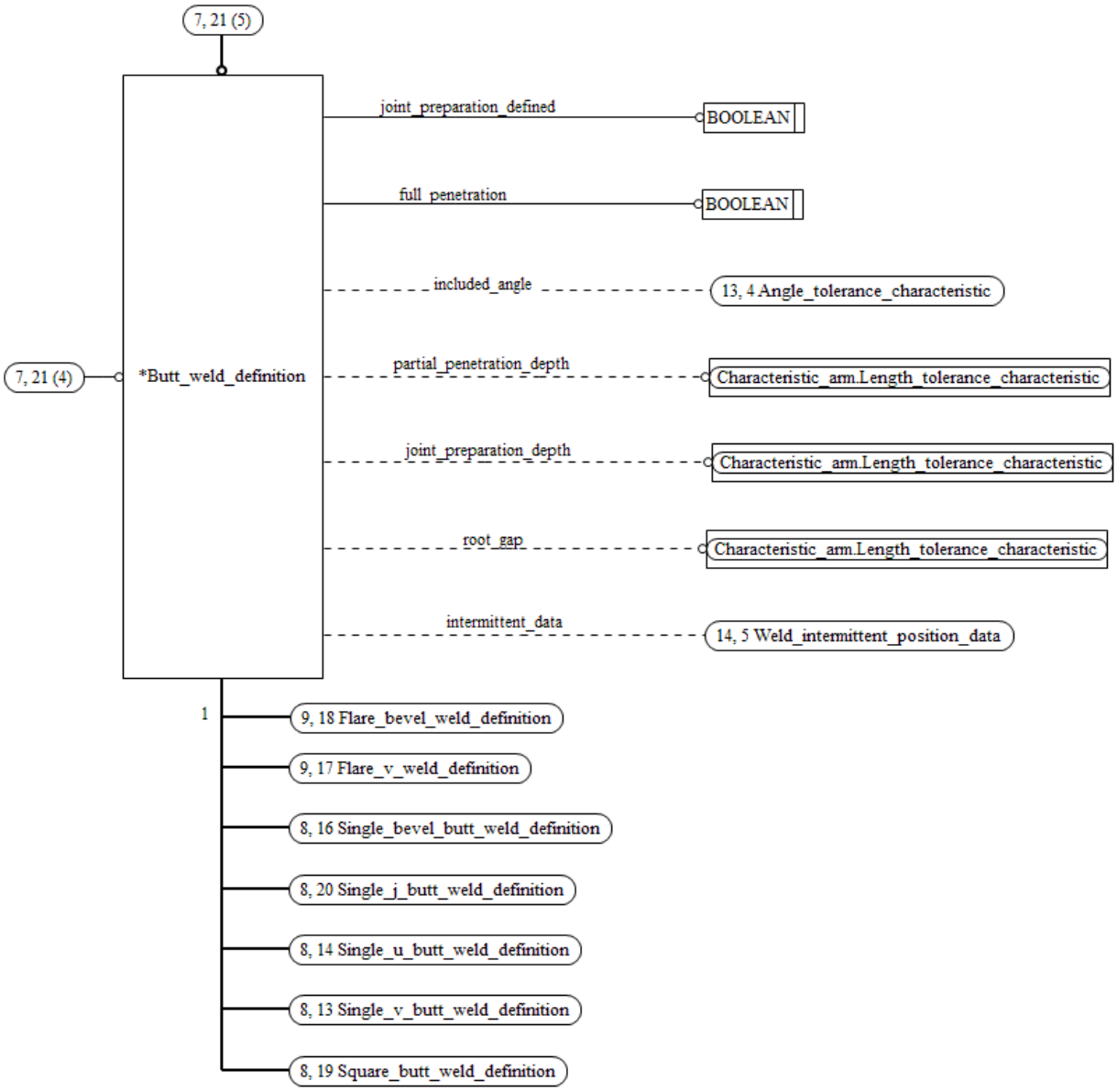


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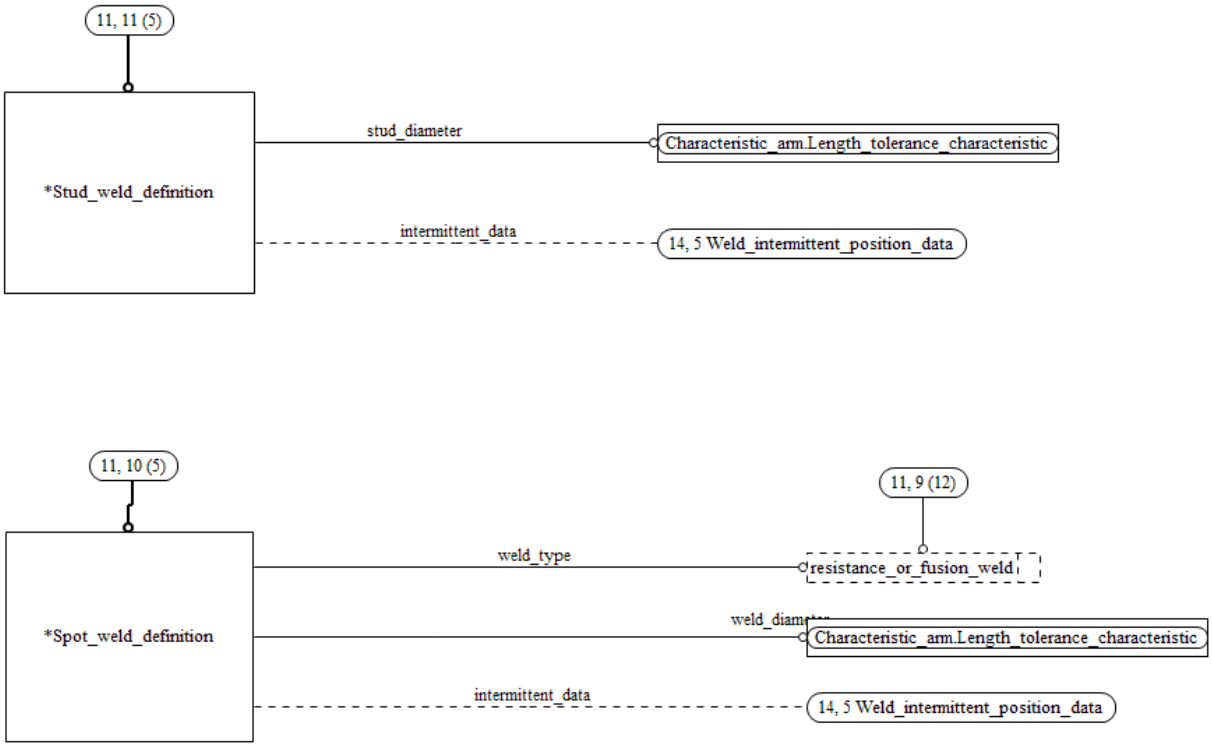


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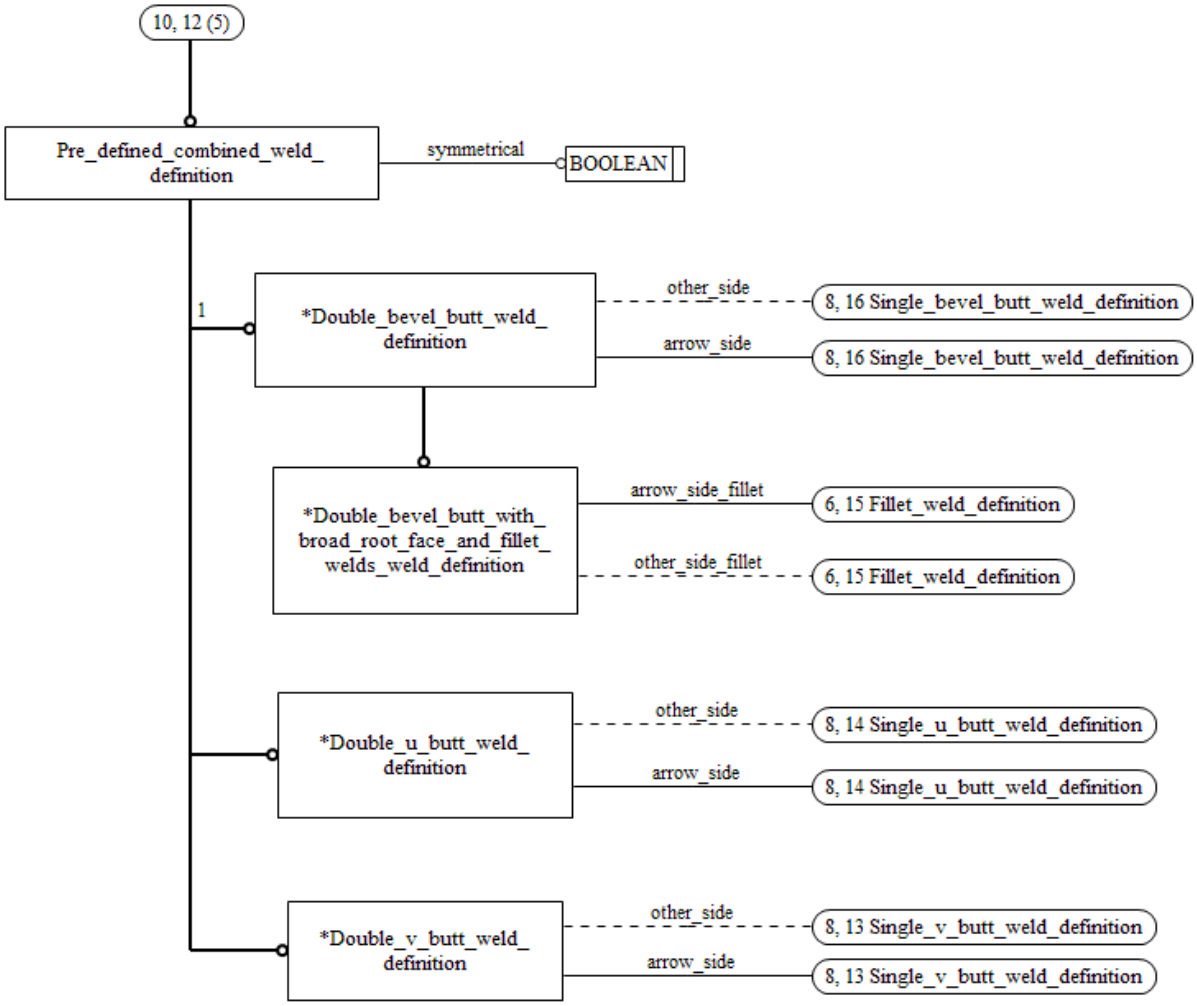


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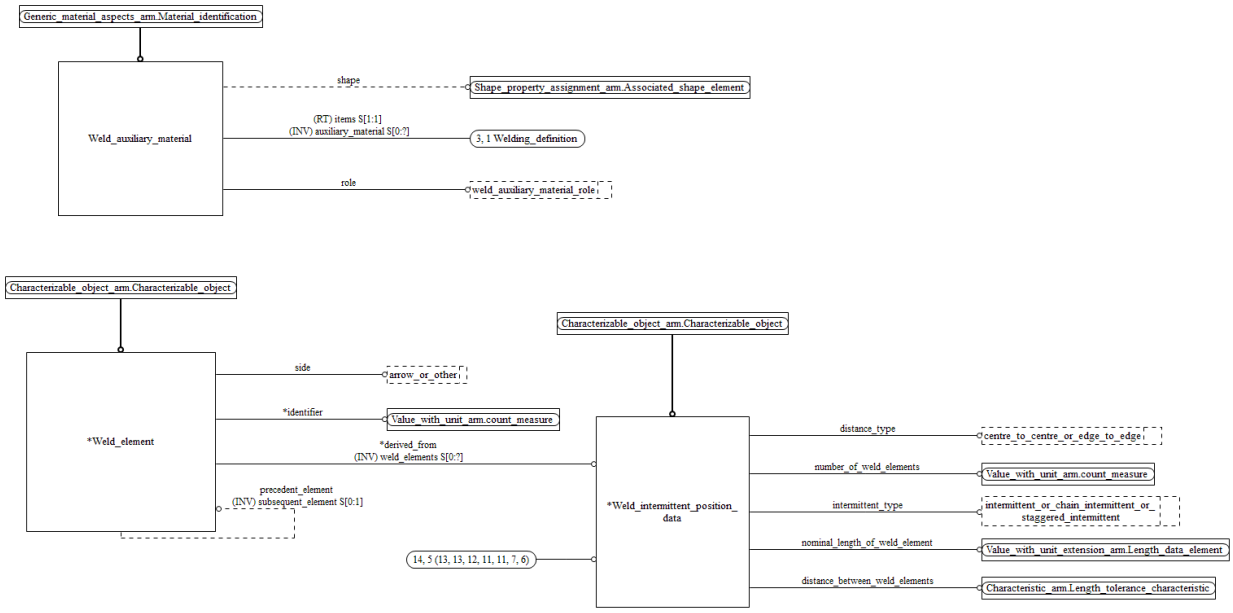


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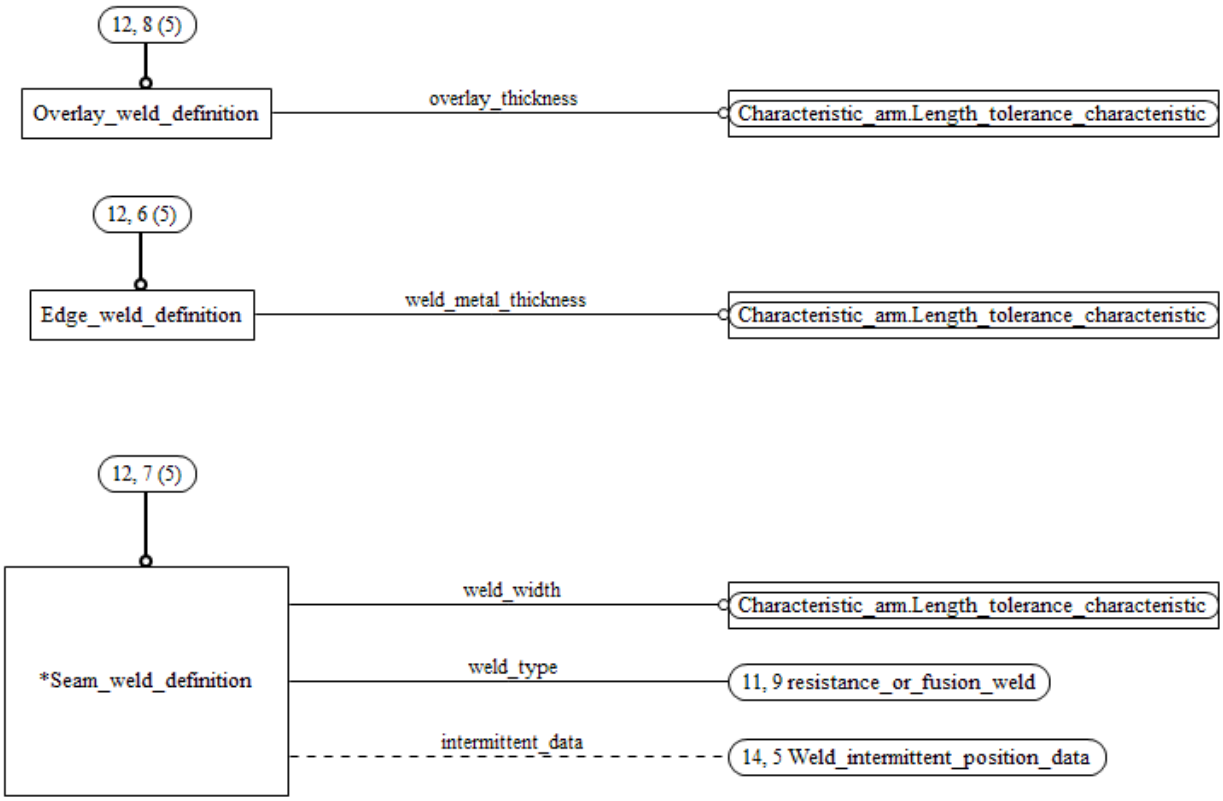


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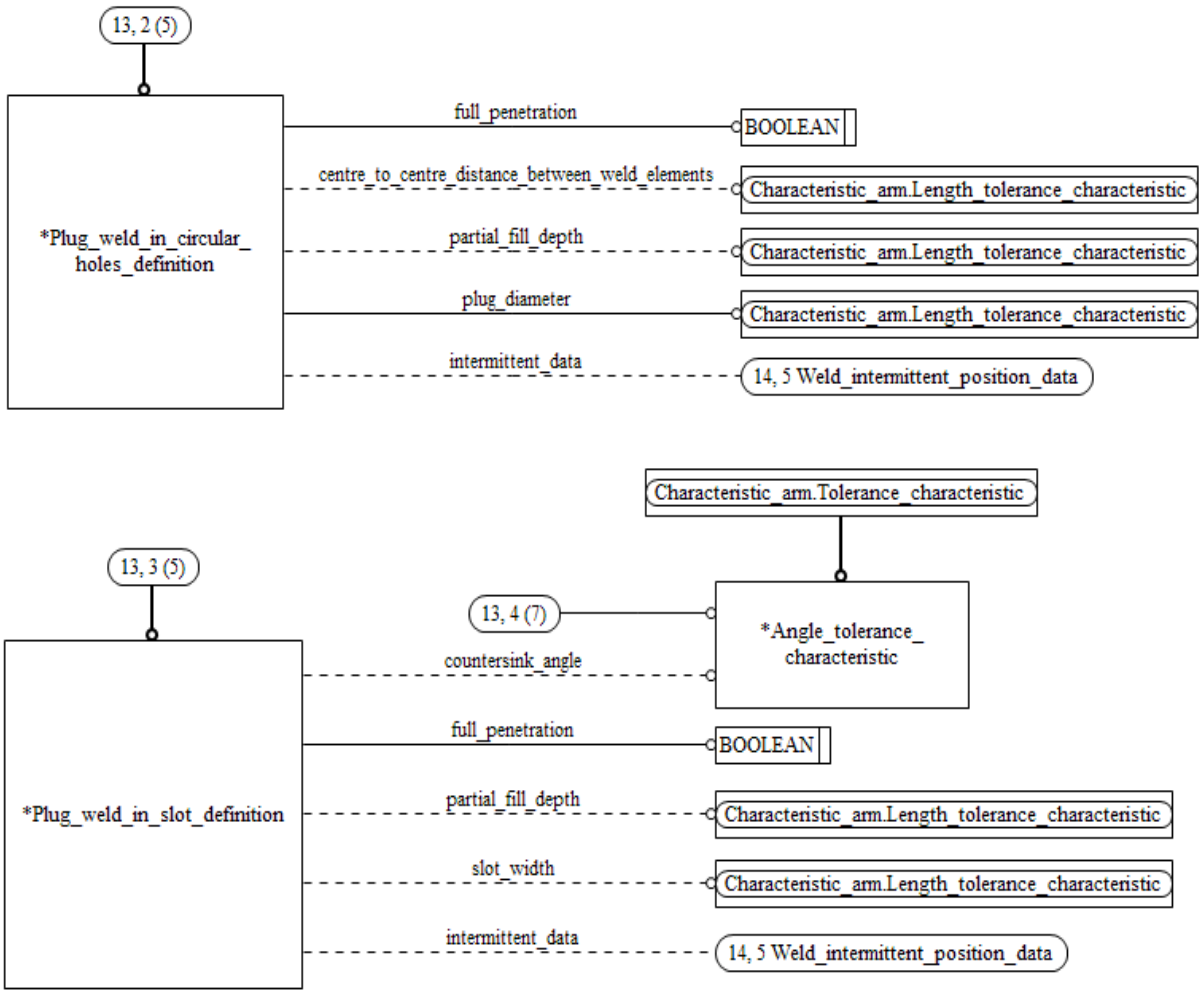


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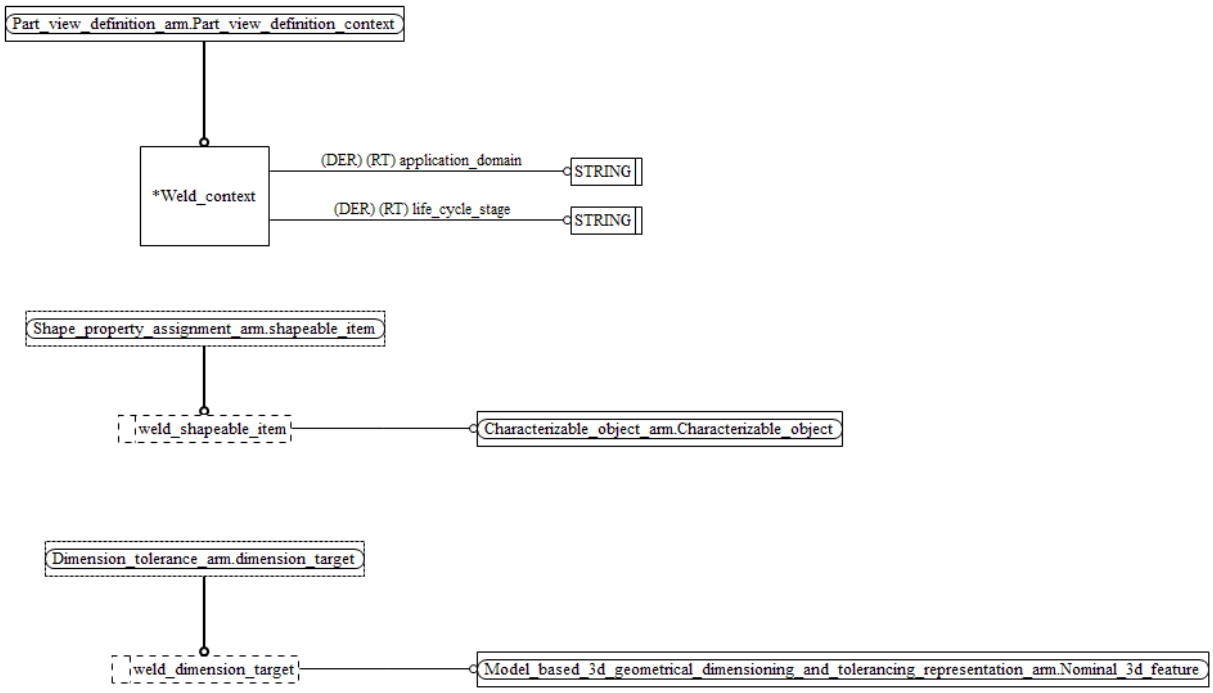


Figure 25 Weld ARM Diagram 14 of 14

## concluding remarks

New ARM EXPRESS for Screw thread and for Weld are proposed for STEP. The EXPRESS models were integrated using STEPmod[11] architecture instantiated in[12] into a long form EXPRESS model for evaluation. It is anticipated that further testing and validation of the Screw thread and Weld proposals will occur in the CAX-IF and LOTAR PMI projects.

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