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– inclusion of the methods used widely in the automotive industry;
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– added examples;
– provided guidance of advantages and disadvantages of different FMEA methods.
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1 Scope

This International Standard describes Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA) and Failure Mode, Effects and Criticality Analysis (FMECA), and gives guidance as to how they may be applied to achieve various objectives by

- providing the procedural steps necessary to perform an analysis;
- identifying appropriate terms, assumptions, criticality measures, failure modes;
- defining basic principles;
- providing examples of the necessary worksheets or other tabular forms.

All the general qualitative considerations presented for FMEA will apply to FMECA, since the latter is an extension of the other.

2 Normative references

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

IEC 60300-3-1:2003, Dependability management – Part 3-1: Application guide – Analysis techniques for dependability – Guide on methodology

IEC 61025, Fault tree analysis (FTA)

IEC 61078, Analysis techniques for dependability – Reliability block diagram method