# **Functional Safety** SIL (Safety Integrity Level)







SIL 3

Process control safety device

insufficient



#### Technical requirements



- Frequent to permanent FB

#### Probability of avoiding the hazard

PA Possible under certain circumstances PB Hardly possible

#### Probability of unwanted occurrence

- W1 Very slight
- W2 Slight
- W3 Relatively high

Organizational requirements

## Safety lifecycle Concept Hazard and risk analysis Safety requirements ent of functio safety Planning, realization Managen Installation, commissioning Operation, maintenance, repair Modification, retrofit Decommissioning, disposal

#### Terminology

Functional safety: Part of the overall safety which depends

on the correct functioning of safety-related systems for risk reduction. Functional safety is achieved when every safety function is Safety Integrity Level (SIL):

Functional safety assessment: Investigation, if functional safety was achieved by the safety-related systems.

 Hardware Fault Tolerance (HFT): • FMEDA (Failure Modes, Effects and HFT = n means, that n+1 faults could cause Diagnostic Analysis): a loss of the safety function. to determine what could eliminate or reduce

Systematic way to identify and evaluate the effects of different component failure modes,

(process industry

Low demand mode of operation:

of operation:

components are well defined and the

completely determined.

behaviour under fault conditions can be

Standards

Basic standard: IEC 61508

Application sector standards: IEC 61511

performed as specified

Safety-related system:

System that implements the safety functions required to achieve or maintain a safe state for equipment under control (EUC).

Safety function:

Function which is intended to achieve or maintain a safe state for equipment under control (EUC), in respect of a specific hazardous event

#### Safety lifecycle:

functional safety.

Describes all necessary activities involved in the implementation of safety-related systems, starting at the concept phase and ending at the decommissioning.

### Management of functional safety:

Necessary management and technical activities and responsibilities during the safety lifecycle for achievement of failures.

Four discrete levels (SIL 1 to SIL 4). The higher the SIL of a safety-related system, the lower the probability that it will not perform the required safety functions.

 Average Probability of Failure on Demand (PFDavg):

Average probability of failure of a safety function working in low demand mode of operation.

• Probability of Failure per Hour (PFH):

For high or continuous demand, the numerical measure of PFH is used, which specifies the probability of a failure of the safety function per hour (dangerous failure rate).

#### Safe Failure Fraction (SFF):

Percentage part of safe failures and dangerous detected failures of a safety function or a subsystem related to all

Frequency of demands on a safety-related system no greater than one per year and no greater than twice the proof-test frequency.

 High demand or continuous mode Frequency of demands on a safety-related system greater than one per year or greater than twice the proof-test frequency.

Device type A (simple subsystem): The failure modes of all constituent

#### • Device type B (complex subsystem): The failure mode of at least one constituent

component is not well defined (e.g. μC, ASIC) and the behaviour under fault conditions cannot be completely determined.

the chance of failure, and to document a system in consideration.

Failure rates:  $\lambda$ SD: Total failure rate for safe detected failures  $\lambda$ SU: Total failure rate for safe undetected failures  $\lambda$ DD: Total failure rate for dangerous

detected failures  $\lambda$ DU: Total failure rate for dangerous undetected failures

Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF): Statistical measure of failure rates to determine how reliable a component is.

Proof-test interval (T1):

Interval between periodic tests performed to detect failures in a safety-related system.

IEC 61513 (nuclear power plants) IEC 62061 (machinery) IEC 61800-5-2 (power drive systems)





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