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#### Introduction

The main purpose of this document is to deal with the capabilities of methods and tools of software and systems product line (SSPL) realization which includes detailed design and implementation. This document defines how the tools and methods can support the software and systems product line-specific realization processes.

Domain realization will be carried out based on domain architecture that provides structures and constraints that govern the subsequent SSPL lifecycle processes. The outcomes of domain realization processes are transferred into the realization of a member product at the application realization processes. Therefore realization support tools and methods should consider both engineering processes, namely domain realization and application realization.

Product line realization can be differentiated from a single product development because of the following aspects:

— The outcomes of domain requirements engineering and domain architecture form the basis for product line realization unlike the case of a single product development. There are two core processes in product line realization: domain realization and application realization. The major aims of the domain realization processes are to conduct detailed design and further implementation based on domain architecture, which includes commonality and variability for a family of products, and to prepare necessary variability information for variability modelling. Whereas, the major aims of the application realization processes are to conduct detailed design and implementation for application realization and to bind variability whose defined binding time is realization stage.

This document can be used in the following modes:

- by the users of this document: to benefit people who conduct detailed design and implementation for software and systems product lines;
- by a product line organization: to provide guidance on the evaluation and selection for methods and tools for product line realization; and
- by providers of methods and tools: to provide guidance on implementing or developing tools and methods by providing a comprehensive set of the capabilities of tools and methods for product line realization.

The ISO/IEC 26550 family of standards addresses both engineering and management processes and capabilities of methods and tools in terms of the key characteristics of product line development. This document provides processes and capabilities of methods and tools for product line realization. Other standards in the ISO/IEC 26550 family are as follows:

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- processes and capabilities of methods and tools for domain requirements engineering and application requirements engineering are provided in ISO/IEC 26551;
- processes and capabilities of methods and tools for domain design and application design are provided in ISO/IEC 26552;
- processes and capabilities of methods and tools for domain testing and application testing are provided in ISO/IEC 26554;
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- processes and capabilities of methods and tools for variability modeling are provided in ISO/ IEC 26558;
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#### 1 Scope

This document, within the context of tools and methods of detailed design and implementation for software and system product lines:

- provides the terms and definitions specific to realization for software and systems product lines;
- defines processes performed during product line realization (those processes are described in terms of purpose, inputs, tasks and outcomes);
- defines method capabilities to support the defined tasks of each process; and
- defines tool capabilities to automate/semi-automate tasks or defined method capabilities.

This document concerns processes and capabilities of realization tools and methods for a family of products, not for a single system.

#### 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.