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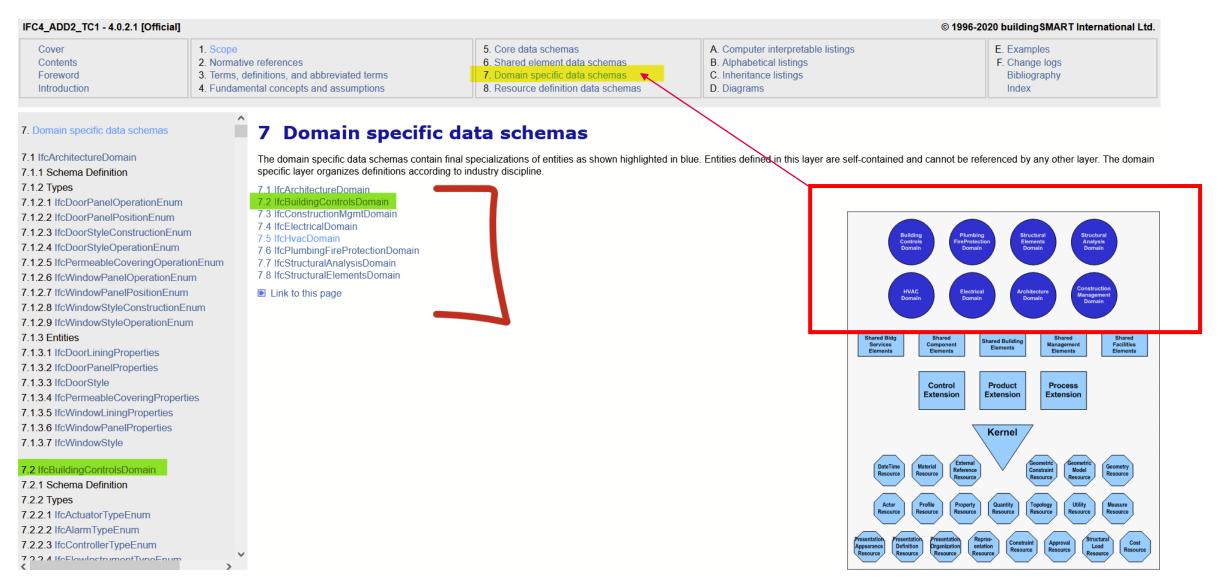
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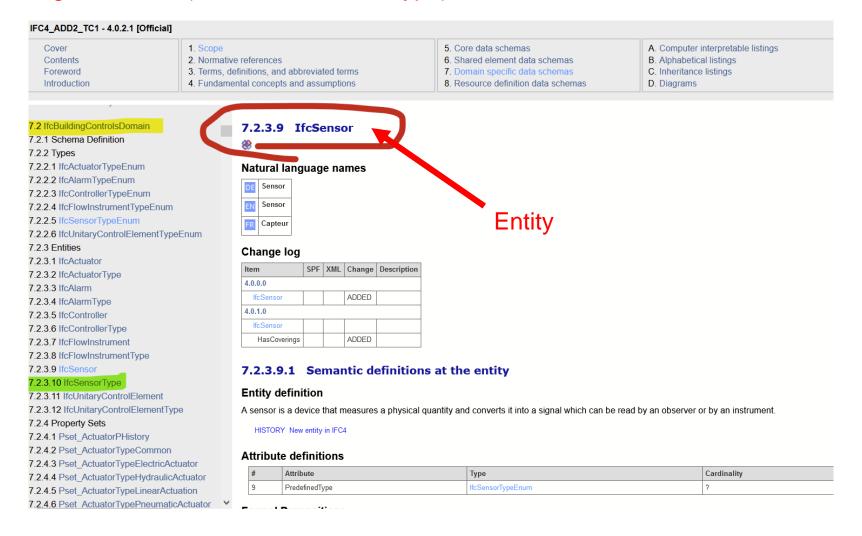
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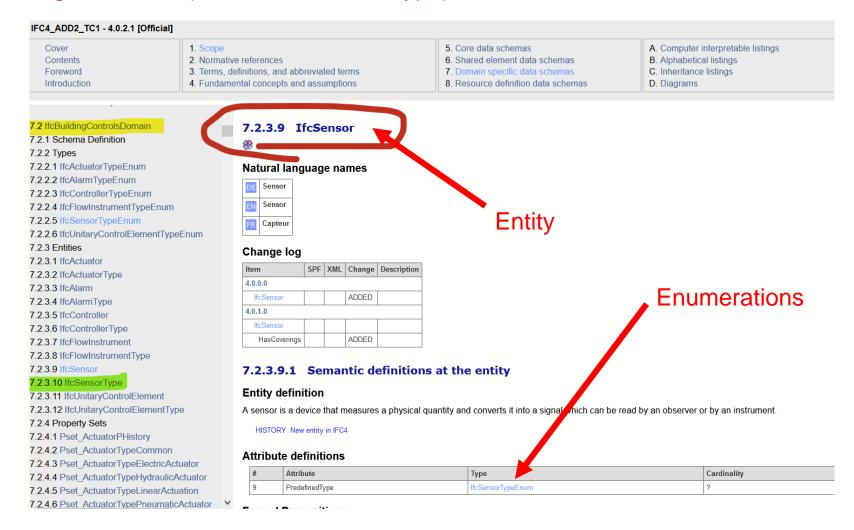


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Enumeration definition

Constant	Description
COSENSOR	A device that senses or detects carbon monoxide.
CO2SENSOR	A device that senses or detects carbon dioxide.
CONDUCTANCESENSOR	A device that senses or detects electrical conductance.
CONTACTSENSOR	A device that senses or detects contact, such as for detecting if a door is closed.
FIRESENSOR	A device that senses or detects fire
FLOWSENSOR	A device that senses or detects flow in a fluid.
FROSTSENSOR	A device that senses or detects frost on a window.
GASSENSOR	A device that senses or detects gas concentration (other than CO2)
HEATSENSOR	A device that senses or detects heat.
HUMIDITYSENSOR	A device that senses or detects humidity.
IDENTIFIERSENSOR	A device that reads a tag, such as for gaining access to a door or elevator
IONCONCENTRATIONSENSOR	A device that senses or detects ion concentration, such as for water hardness.
LEVELSENSOR	A device that senses or detects fill level, such as for a tank.
LIGHTSENSOR	A device that senses or detects light.
MOISTURESENSOR	A device that senses or detects moisture.
MOVEMENTSENSOR	A device that senses or detects movement.
PHSENSOR	A device that senses or detects acidity.
PRESSURESENSOR	A device that senses or detects pressure.
RADIATIONSENSOR	A device that senses or detects pressure.
RADIOACTIVITYSENSOR	A device that senses or detects atomic decay.
SMOKESENSOR	A device that senses or detects smoke.
SOUNDSENSOR	A device that senses or detects sound.
TEMPERATURESENSOR	A device that senses or detects temperature.
WINDSENSOR	A device that senses or detects airflow speed and direction.
USERDEFINED	User-defined type.
NOTDEFINED	Undefined type.



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Natural language names

EN	Sensor Type Common			
JP				

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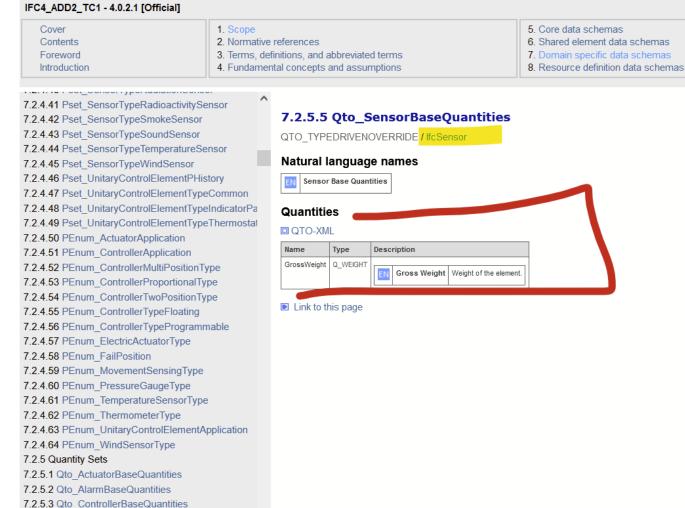
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		DE	Bauteiltyp	Bezeichnung zur Zusammenfassung gleichartiger Bauteile zu einem Bauteiltyp (auch Konstruktionstyp genannt). Alternativ zum Namen des "Typobjekts", insbesondere wenn die Software keine Typen unterstützt.
		EN	Reference	Reference ID for this specified type in this project (e.g. type 'A-1'), Also referred to as "construction type". It should be provided as an alternative to the name of the "object type", if the software does not support object types.
		FR	Reference	Référence à l'identifiant d'un type spécifié dans le contexte du projet (exemple : "type A1") pour désigner un "type de construction". Une alternative au nom d'un objet type lorsque les objets types ne sont pas gérés par le logiciel.
		参照記号	このプロジェクトにおける参照記号(例: A-1)。分類コードではなく内部で使用されるプロジェクトタイプとして使用されるもの。	
		ZH	参考号	若未采用已知的分类系统,则该属性为该项目中该类型构件的参考编号(例如,类型A-1)。
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		FR		tatut de l'élément, principalement utilisé dans les projets de rénovation et de réhabilitation. Le statut a pour valeur NOUVEAU pour un nouvel élément, EXISTANT pour un élément existant qui est conservé, DEMOLI pour un élément xistant à démolir et TEMPORAIRE pour un élément temporaire (comme une structure support provisoire).
				[素 (主にリノベーションまたは改修プロジェクトにおいて) の状態。 状態は、「新規(New)」- 新しく追加される要素。「既存」- 要素は存在し、かつ残りもの。「破壊」- 要素は存在したが、廃棄されるもの。「一時 3] - 一時的に存在する要素 (一時的にサポートしている構造のようなもの) 。

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Attribute definitions

3	#	Attribute	Туре	Cardinality	Description
- [9	PredefinedType	lfcSensorTypeEnum	?	

Formal Propositions

Rule	Description
CorrectPredefinedType	Either the PredefinedType attribute is unset (e.g. because an IfcSensorType is associated), or the inherited attribute ObjectType shall be provided, if the PredefinedType is set to USERDEFINED.
CorrectTypeAssigned	Either there is no sensor type object associated, i.e. the IsTypedBy inverse relationship is not provided, or the associated type object has to be of type IfcSensorType.

7.2.3.9.2 Inherited definitions from supertypes



Attribute inheritance

7.2.3.9.3 Definitions applying to General Usage

Instance diagram

Concept Heads



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https://standards.buildingsmart.org/IFC/DEV/IFC4_3/RC4-voting/HTML/

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Will it cause any missunderstandings or cause any issues?

5.4.2.15 IfcSpaceTypeEnum



▼ Natural language names

EN	Space Type Enum
FR	Enumération des types de locaux

▼ Change log

SPF	XML	Change	Description
		ADDED	
			ADDED ADDED ADDED ADDED

5.4.2.15.1 Semantic definitions at the type

▼ Type definition

This enumeration defines the available generic types for IfcSpace and IfcSpaceType.

5.4.2.7 IfcExternalSpatialElementTypeEnum



▼ Natural language names

EN	External Spatial Element Type Enum
FR	Enumération des types d'élément spatial extérieur

▼ Change log

Item	SPF	XML	Change	Description
IFC2x3 to IFC4 4.0.0.0				
lfcExternalSpatialElementTypeEnum			ADDED	
IFC4 Addendum 2 4.0.2.0				
IfcExternalSpatialElementTypeEnum				
NOTDEFINED			ADDED	
NOTDEFIEND	X	Х	DELETED	

5.4.2.7.1 Semantic definitions at the type

▼ Type definition

This enumeration defines the different types of external spatial elements.

HISTORY New enumeration in IFC4.

▼ Enumeration definition

Constant	Description
EXTERNAL	External air space around the building.
EXTERNAL_EARTH	External volume covered by earth around the building.
EXTERNAL_WATER	External volume covered with water around the building.
EXTERNAL_FIRE	Space occupied by a neightboring building.
USERDEFINED	
NOTDEFINED	

5.4.2.7.2 Formal representations



▼ Enumeration definition

Constant	Description						
MOVABLE	A movable wall that is either movable, such as folding wall or a sliding	A movable wall that is either movable, such as folding wall or a sliding wall, or can be easily removed as a removable partitioning or mounting wall. Movable walls do normally not define space boundaries and often belong to the furnishing system.					
PARAPET	A wall-like barrier to protect human or vehicle from falling, or to preve	ent the spread of fires. Often designed at the edge of balconies, terraces or roofs, or along edges of bridges.					
PARTITIONING	A wall designed to partition spaces that often has a light-weight, sand	dwich-like construction (e.g. using gypsum board). Partitioning walls are normally non load bearing.					
PLUMBINGWALL	A pier, or enclosure, or encasement, normally used to enclose plumb	ing in sanitary rooms. Such walls often do not extent to the ceiling.					
SHEAR	A wall designed to withstand shear loads. Examples of shear wall are	wall designed to withstand shear loads. Examples of shear wall are diaphragms inside a box girder, typically on a pier, to resist lateral forces and transfer them to the support.					
SOLIDWALL	A massive wall construction for the wall core being the single layer or	A massive wall construction for the wall core being the single layer or having multiple layers attached. Such walls are often masonry or concrete walls (both cast in-situ or precast) that are load bearing and fire protecting.					
STANDARD	A standard wall, extruded vertically with a constant thickness along the wall path. The value is deprecated, it is expressed by choosing the subtype IfcWallStandardCase.						
POLYGONAL	A polygonal wall, extruded vertically, where the wall thickness varies along the wall path.						
ELEMENTEDWALL	A stud wall framed with studs and faced with sheetings, sidings, wallboard, or plasterwork. The value is deprecated, it is expressed by choosing the subtype ifcWallElementedCase.						
RETAININGWALL	A supporting wall used to protect against soil layers behind. Special	ypes of a retaining wall may be e.g. Gabion wall and Grib wall. Examples of retaining walls are wing wall, headwall, stem wall, pierwall and protecting wall.					
WAVEWALL	Protective wall or screen to block overtopping and impact of wave cross a breakwater						
USERDEFINED	User-defined wall element.						
NOTDEFINED	Undefined wall element.						



https://forums.buildingsmart.org/t/ifcwallelementedcase-deprecated/2933/2 Some comments on bSI Forum

6.1.3.53 IfcWallElementedCase

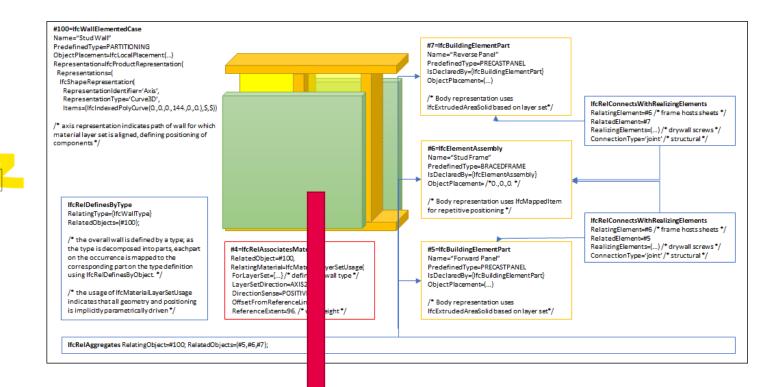


▼ Natural language names

DE	Wand elementiert
EN	Wall Elemented Case
FR	Mur composite

▼ Change log

DEPRECATED This	efini <mark>tion r</mark>	nay be	imported, bu	t shall not be exported by applica			
Item S		SPF XML Change		Description			
IFC2x3 to IFC4 4.0.0.0							
IfcWallEiementedCase ADDED							
IFC4 Addendum 2 Technical Corrigendum 1 4.0.2.1							
IfcWallElementedCas	se		MODIFIED	Status changed to Deprecated.			
IFC4.2 Candidate 4.2.0	.0						
IfcWallElementedCas	se e						
PositionedRelativeT	0		ADDED				



6.1.3.53.1 Semantic definitions at the entity

▼ Entity definition

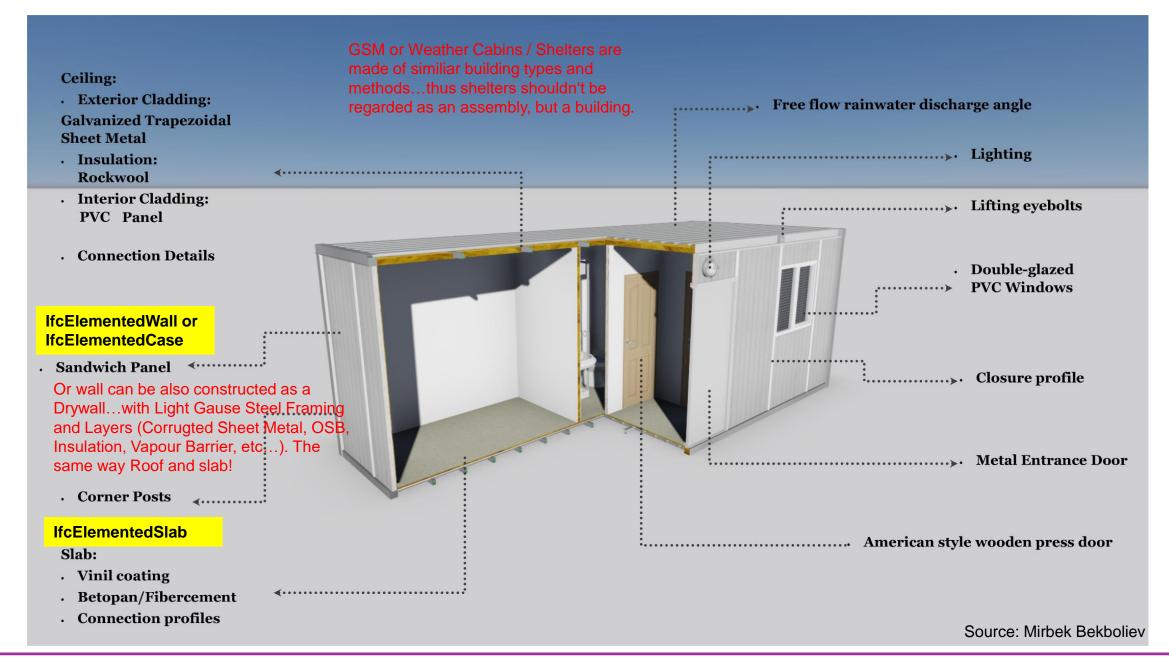
The IfcWallElementedCase defines a wall with certain constraints for the provision of its components. The IfcWallElementedCase defines a wall with certain constraints for the provision of its components.

having components being assigned to the IfcWallElementedCase using the IfcRelAggregates relationship accessible

dCase handles all cases of walls, that are decomposed into parts: the inverse relationship *IsDecomposedBy*.









5.4.2.5 IfcElementAssemblyTypeEnum



▼ Natural language names

EN Element Assembly Type Enum

Énumération des types d'assemblage d' éléments

▼ Change log

Item	SPF	XML	Change	Description
IFC4.2 Candidate 4.2.0.0				
lfcElementAssemblyTypeEnum				
ABUTMENT			ADDED	
PIER			ADDED	
PYLON			ADDED	
CROSS_BRACING			ADDED	
DECK			ADDED	
IFC4.2 to IFC4.3 RC1	'			
lfcElementAssemblyTypeEnum				
MAST			ADDED	
SIGNALASSEMBLY			ADDED	
GRID.			ADDED	
SHELTER			ADDED	
SUDDORTINGASSEMBLY			ADDED	



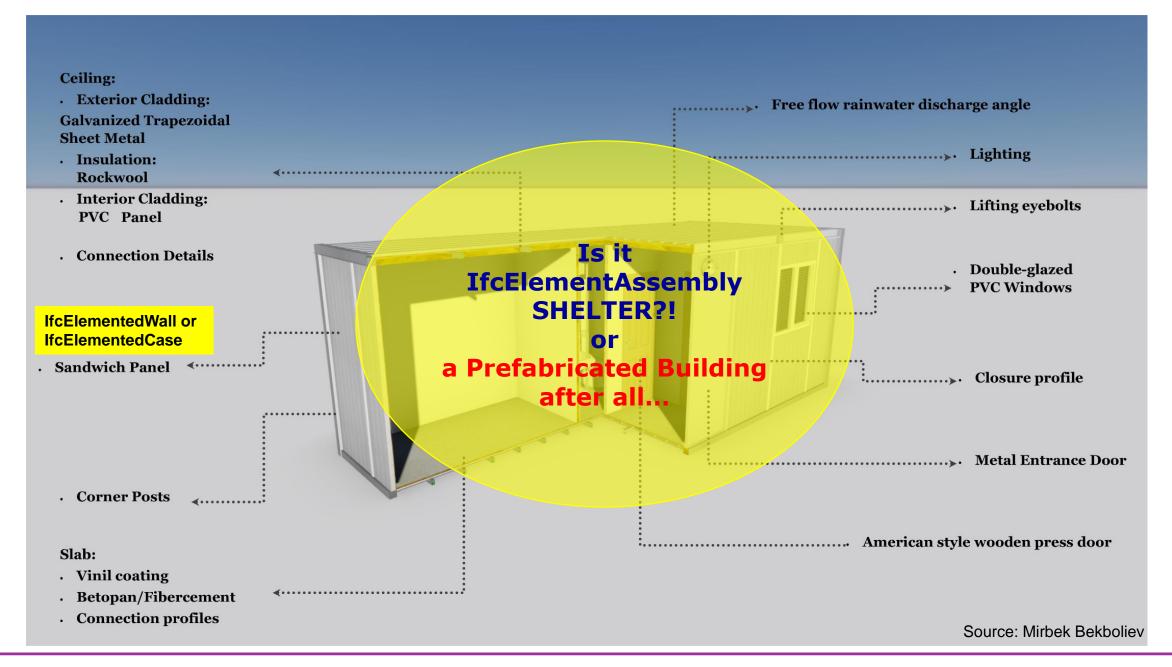
It also has Posts/Columns and Beams, Walls and Doors etc. same like previous

same like previous
Containerized Building

Source: GSM Shelter www.paya.com.tr

	or a rigid frame gantry.
GRID	A framework of spaced cables or bars that are parallel to or cross each other.
SHELTER	A structure, fairly quick to setup, move or dismantle, used to give protection, especially from the weather or intrusion.
SUPPORTINGASSEMBLY	An assembly intends to support Overhead Contact Line System. It includes foundation, supporting elements and suspension asse
SUSPENSIONASSEMBLY	A complex assembly of components used to suspend elements or cable segments.







The heat recovery method can be used for gases, liquids or solids for heating or cooling processes. Heat recovery systems can be classified according to their heat exchanger:

Recuperative systems
Regenerative Systems
Regenerators
Heat pumps

https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/W%C3%A

German

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Heat_recov

Heat/recovery may also be Fluid|Gas and vs.

7.5.2.3 IfcAirToAirHeatRecoveryTypeEnum

Unless here would be Heat Recovery Ventilation

▼ Natural language names

EN	Air To Air Heat Recovery Type Enum
FR	Enumération des types d'échangeur air-air

7.5.2.3.1 Semantic definitions at the type

▼ Type definition

Defines general types of air-to-air heat recovery devices.

HISTORY New enumeration in IFC2x.

Sure it could be also regarded as a Heat Exchanger How It Works

Source: https://www.energy.gov/energysaver/water-heating/drain-water-heat-recovery or https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Water_heat_recycling

Drain-Water Heat Recovery

── Faucet

Preheated cold water to plumbing fixtures an to

water heater

Heat Exchanger

Cold water in

Drain water

Hot water tank

▼ Enumeration definition

Constant	Description
FIXEDPLATECOUNTERFLOWEXCHANGER	Heat exchanger with moving parts and alternate layers of plates, separated and sealed from the exhaust and supply air stream passages with primary air en secondary air inlet location.
FIXEDPLATECROSSFLOWEXCHANGER	Heat exchanger with moving parts and alternate layers of plates, separated and sealed from the exhaust and supply air stream passages with secondary air
FIXEDPLATEPARALLELFLOWEXCHANGER	Heat exchanger with moving parts and alternate layers of plates, separated and sealed from the exhaust and supply air stream passages with primary air en secondary air outlet location.
ROTARYWHEEL	A heat wheel with a revolving cylinder filled with an air-permeable medium having a large internal surface area.
RUNAROUNDCOILLOOP	A typical coil energy recovery loop places extended surface, finned tube water coils in the supply and exhaust airstreams of a building.
HEATPIPE	A passive energy recovery device with a heat pipe divided into evaporator and condenser sections.
TWINTOWERENTHALPYRECOVERYLOOPS	An air-to-liquid, liquid-to-air enthalpy recovery system with a sorbent liquid circulates continuously between supply and exhaust airstreams, alternately contain
THERMOSIPHONSEALEDTUBEHEATEXCHANGERS	Sealed systems that consist of an evaporator, a condenser, interconnecting piping, and an intermediate working fluid that is present in both liquid and vapor usually at opposite ends of a bundle of straight, individual thermosiphon tubes and the exhaust and supply ducts are adjacent to each other.
THEDMOSIDHONCOIL TYDEHEATEVOUANGEDS	Scaled exercise that consist of an evaporator, a condensor interconnecting piping, and an intermediate working fluid that is present in both liquid and vapor





7.6.2.1 IfcFireSuppressionTerminalTypeEnum



Natural language names

EN	Fire Suppression Terminal Type Enum
FR	Enumération des types d'appareil terminal d'extinction d'incendie

Could we also add standard Fire Extinguisher here? Firemonitor is missing a Description

Change log

Item	SPF	XML	Change	Description
IFC4x3_RC2 to IFC4x3_RC3				
IfcFireSuppressionTerminalTypeEnum				
FIREMONITOR			ADDED	

7.6.2.1.1 Semantic definitions at the type

Type definition

The IfcFireSuppressionTerminalTypeEnum defines the range of different types of fire suppression terminal that can be specified.

HISTORY New type in IFC2x2.

Enumeration definition

Constant	Description
BREECHINGINLET	Symmetrical pipe fitting that unites two or more inlets into a single pipe. A breeching inlet may be used on either a wet or dry riser. Used by fire services personnel for fast connection of fire appliance hose reels. May also be used for foam.
FIREHYDRANT	Device, fitted to a pipe, through which a temporary supply of water may be provided. May also be termed a stand pipe.
HOSEREEL	A supporting framework on which a hose may be wound.
SPRINKLER	Device for sprinkling water from a pipe under pressure over an area.
SPRINKLERDEFLECTOR	Device attached to a sprinkler to deflect the water flow into a spread pattern to cover the required area.
FIREMONITOR	
USERDEFINED	User-defined type
NOTDEFINED	Underined type.

7.6.2.1.2 Formal representations

VMI Consideration



$\underline{IfcExternalSpatialElementTypeEnum}$

EXTERNAL FIRE	Space occupied by a neightboring building.
	epass seapled by a risignizering banding.

What is it about? Is it related with Fire and Smoke spread Simulations?



IfcAssemblyPlaceEnum

- Site
- Factory
- Mixed? As an additional
- Notdefined

IfcBuildingSystemTypeEnum

- Foundation
- Shading
- Erosionprevention
- •
- Biosphale?

IfcBuildingElementPartTypeEnum

- Insulation
- Precastpanel (Any connection with IFC4precast Group?)
- Apron
- •

IfcConstructionProductResourceTypeEnum

- Assembly
- Formwork (Any connection with VDI/buildingSMART 2552-11.3?) -> https://www.vdi.de/richtlinien/details/vdibs-2552-blatt-113-building-information-modeling-exchange-requirements-formwork-and-scaffolding-systems-in-situ-concrete
- Userdefined



IfcCoveringTypeEnum

- Cladding
- Molding
- Insulation
- Skirtingboard
- Membrane
- Coping
- Wrapping
- ...

IfcEarthworksCutTypeEnum

- Topsoilremoval
- Pavementmilling
- ..

IfcElectricApplianceTypeEnum

(due to frequence use and application in use cases):

- Oven?
- TV/Monitor?
- Coffee Machine?

IfcMedicalDeviceTypeEnum

- Airstation
- Feedairunit
- Oxygengenerator
- Oxygenplant
- Vacuumstation
- Radiology? X-Ray??
- Userdefined



IfcWallTypeEnum

- ...
- ...
- Elementedwall (until now it was decricated, will it be revived again?
 See slide above)
- Retainingwall
- Wavewall
- ...

IfcWindowTypeEnum

- Window
- ..
- Lightdome
- ...

IfcSpatialZoneTypeEnum

- Construction
- Firesafety
- Lighting
- Occupancy
- Security
- Thermal
- Transport
- Ventilation
- Reservation
- Interference
- Userdefined

Comment: Any contact with Project at Building Room??



Where could a "Surface Quality" or "Visual Quality" (e.g. for Timber or Concrete) placed??

IfcMaterialLayer

- LayerThickness
- IsVentilated
- Name
- Description
- Category
- Priority

IfcMaterialLayerSetUsage

- LayerSetDirection
- •
- OffsetFromReferenceLine
- ...



IfcPerformanceHistory

- LifeCyclePhase -> Which Phases???
- PredefinedType

IfcPlant

->Types???

Scope

The standard includes definitions that cover data required for buildings and bridges over their life cycle. This release, and upcoming releases, extend the scope to include data definitions for infrastructure assets over their life cycle as well.

Comment: Only Bridges? Does a Bridge is not an Infrastructure asset?



7.6.2.5 IfcWasteTerminalTypeEnum



Natural language names

EN	Waste Terminal Type Enum
FR	Enumération des type de stockage de déchets

Change log

Item		XML	Change	Description
IFC2x3 to IFC4 4.0.0.0				
lfcWasteTerminalTypeEnum				
GREASEINTERCEPTOR	Х	Х	DELETED	
OILINTERCEPTOR	Χ	Х	DELETED	
PETROLINTERCEPTOR	Х	X	DELETED	

We couldn't find any suitable entity to describe Trash Point / Garbage Container...there was a discussion at the bSI Forum already on this topic.

7.6.2.5.1 Semantic definitions at the type

Type definition

The IfcWasteTerminalTypeEnum defines the range of different types of waste terminal that can be specified

HISTORY New type in IFC2x2. GREASEINTERCEPTOR, OILINTERCEPTOR, PETROLINTERCEPTOR moved to IfcInterceptorTypeEnum in IFC4

Enumeration definition

Constant	Description		ar
FLOORTRAP	Pipe fitting, set into the floor, that retains liquid to prevent the passage of foul air		ш
FLOORWASTE	Pipe fitting, set into the floor, that collects waste water and discharges it to a separate trap.	•	R
GULLYSUMP	Pipe fitting or assembly of fittings to receive surface water or waste water, fitted with a grating or sealed cover.		1
GULLYTRAP	Pipe fitting or assembly of fittings that receives surface water or waste water; fitted with a grating or sealed cover that discharges water through	ough a trap.	
ROOFDRAIN	Pipe fitting, set into the roof, that collects rainwater for discharge into the rainwater system.		
WASTEDISPOSALUNIT	Electrically operated device that reduces kitchen or other waste into fragments small enough to be flushed into a drainage system.		
WASTETRAP	Pipe fitting, set adjacent to a sanitary terminal, that retains liquid to prevent the passage of foul air.		
USERDEFINED	User-defined type.		
NOTDEFINED	Undefined type.		

or IfcFurnitureTypeEnum

- WasteCollectionPoint?? HazardousWaste??!
- Technicalcabinet (further Purposes?) could it also be a Lab Cabinet?? Or for that reason we may need Medical and Research Purpose Cabines as additional Types??!
 RecyclingPoint??? (Container/Bin)

https://forums.buildingsmart.org/t/ifc-for-waste/3044



Space Boundaries: Current (unsolved Issues)

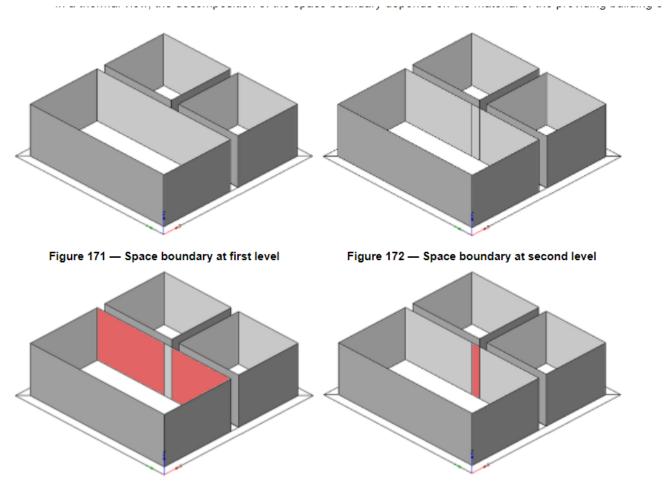


Figure 173 — Space boundary at second level type A Figure 174 — Space boundary at second level type B

 $Source: building SMART\ International:\ \underline{https://standards.buildingsmart.org/IFC/RELEASE/IFC4/ADD2_TC1/HTML/schema/ifcproductextension/lexical/ifcrelspaceboundary.htm}$

Here are some discussions on bSI Forum:

Ideas on Raised Floor Entity from bSI Forum:

https://forums.buildingsmart.org/t/raised-floor-entity/3715

Usage of Pset_ConcreteElementSurfaceFinishQuantityGeneral

https://forums.buildingsmart.org/t/usage-of-pset-concreteelementsurfacefinishquantitygeneral/3783

IFC Textures and Colors: Current Situation

https://forums.buildingsmart.org/t/ifc-textures-and-colors-current-situation/2862

Definition of the level for the IfcBuildingStorey

https://forums.buildingsmart.org/t/definition-of-the-level-for-the-ifcbuildingstorey-opinion-poll/404

Please submit further Issues and Ideas on bSI Forum!



Inputs from Community:

It is great to see that IFC is making progress with integrating the infrastructural domains into the schemes. However, it is difficult to give any sensible feedback when one does not know the status, history and reasoning behind the decisions made, so while scanning through the IFC4.3 Infra extensions I have been formulating some questions rather than comments. For example:

- Why are axes and corresponding linear clearances/corridors not part of the ifcRoad and ifcRail domains?
- Would there be separate domains for other civil engineering works (such as bridges, tunnels and sluices) and if so shouldn't the IFC SHAREDINFRASTRUCTUREELEMENTS schema be reevaluated?

I also think that a thorough review would require more time and references from already existing OTLs to check if the IFC class definitions (ProRail and RWS for example) are exhaustive and correctly structured. But it is unclear whether that's the nature of the feedback requested. Do you know if the content needs reviewing or is it only about the structure of the schemas?

Perhaps if we have more background information, we could be of better help next time?

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