



What's a Name?

 NAME [†]: The particular combination of sounds employed as the *individual designation* of a single person, animal, place, or *thing*.

 We must identify things in an area of interest; 	Cryogenics Controls CERN-wide	Accelerator Operat Application Softwar
for referenceability) enforcing a common		Assign identifier Make unique
understanding between different <i>actors</i> that <i>interfere</i> with these things and find <i>information</i> about them.	Design Produce Install Check Control	Show importance Properties Navigation Documents
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Importance of a Name



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 "What's in a name? That which we call a rose By any other word would smell as sweet."

--From Romeo and Juliet - 1595 - William Shakespeare

- Giving a name is a convention.
 - It must be known by the interested actors
 - These actors are part of the same environment
 - No agreement on the chosen name between all actors is necessary
- Once something has a name, it has it for life...

Naming versus Coding



Parts - Assemblies

I/O Channels

Functional Equipment

Equipment Specialist

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- CODE⁺: a *list of letters* or other expressions in a code, arranged as a key for *encoding* and *decoding*.
- With a code, we can name and thus *identify things* while putting some *logic* inside the denomination, which can be understood or interpreted.
- Similar limitations as for a name apply
 - The scope must be defined
 - The convention must be defined
 - All actors must know the scope and the associated convention
 - A code is often *hard coded* on paper, in our mind,...
 - Workarounds through lookup needed: alias, synonym
- [†] Oxford English Dictionary 12 June 2003

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Coding Example

- What does this code mean to you?
- And now, what does it mean?
- The scope is clear: French car license plate
- The coding convention is clear... for a Frenchie
 - 75 : the owner lives in Paris
 - MBD : quite recent license plate
 - Difficulties when owner moves to another department
- This coding schema will be abolished in 2006/2007 and replaced by a France-wide sequential coding format: AA 123 AA

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Naming for LHC-CP

- What is the scope?
 - LHC Controls environment
 - Hooked up to installed, functional LHC equipment
 - Managed by AB, related to CERN-wide facilities
- Who are the actors?
 - CERN people: Equipment Specialists, Operators, Managers
 - Software: Front Ends Middleware Applications
- What are the existing conventions?
 - LHC Quality Assurance documents on naming
 - Equipment group internal definitions

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Existing Documents		
Document	Title	Naming Example
LHC-PM-QA-205	LHC Part Identification	HCMCSME001-AA000001
LHC-PM-QA-204	Equipment Naming Conventions	MCSBA.13L1.B1
LHC-QI-QA-0002	Naming Conventions	MB.C32L1/TE821
	for Cryogenic Instrumentation	(In cryo-assembly
	Institumentation	LBBLA.32L1)
LHC-QRL-QA-0004	Naming Convention for the QRL	QRLAC.E31R3/CV911
LHC-DQ-ES-0003	Description of QPS Signals in LHC	UExt, QD0, from DQQDL
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QPS Signals



- The QPS guarantees the integrity of the superconducting elements in case of a quench.
 - Total number of signals: 76000
 - Signals generating alarms: 37000
 - Signals to be logged: 58000
- Acquisition & monitoring system is being defined
- Display information in Control Room:
 - Alarm! Quench detected on MB.A12R1
 - Additional, related information:
 - Signals QD0, UExt, Uint, PwrPerm,..., their trends
 - Solution States (see the second secon
 - Scontroller DQAMC.D.RR13 (in RR area)
 - Gateway DQGTW.UJ16 (in UJ junction area)

Oops... DQGTW.SR1 (in surface building)

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My point is that...



- ☑ The *amount of information* in LHC is huge
- ☑ The relations between the information is multiple and depending on the user's point of view
- ☑ *Identification* is needed
- ☑ A naming/coding schema is a *convention*
- ☑ We can argue for hours... years and still not agree
- ☑ The "name" cannot be a *mnemonic* any more
- Existing names must be published and used as reference
- Related information for different usage must be centralized, published and accessible
- ☑ Names could be assembled from the info, on the fly...

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