



Failure Modes, Effects and Diagnostic Analysis Review

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Management summary

This report summarizes the results of the hardware assessment review of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter. The hardware assessment consisted of a Failure Modes, Effects and Diagnostics Analysis (FMEDA). A Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis is one of the steps to be taken to achieve functional safety certification per IEC 61508 of a device. From the FMEDA, failure rates and Safe Failure Fraction are determined. The FMEDA that is described in this report concerns only the hardware of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, electronic and mechanical. For full functional safety certification purposes all requirements of IEC 61508 must be considered.

The Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX is a two-wire 4 – 20 mA smart device. It contains self-diagnostics and is programmed to send its output to a specified failure state, either high or low, upon internal detection of a failure. The self-diagnostics have been confirmed using fault injection tests. For safety instrumented systems usage it is assumed that the 4 – 20 mA output is used as the primary safety variable. Table 1 lists the versions of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX that have been considered for the hardware assessment.

Table 1 Version overview

1	Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 20*-*****_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_***
2	Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 26*-*****_***

The Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX is classified as a Type B¹ device according to IEC 61508, having a hardware fault tolerance of 0. The analysis shows that models 20*-*****_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_*** have a safe failure fraction between 60% and 90% (assuming that the logic solver is programmed to detect over-scale and under-scale currents) and therefore may be used up to SIL 1 as a single device. The analysis shows that models 26*-*****_*** have a safe failure fraction between 90% and 99% (assuming that the logic solver is programmed to detect over-scale and under-scale currents) and therefore may be used up to SIL 2 as a single device.

The failure rates for the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter, models 20*-*****_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_*** are listed in Table 2.

Table 2 Failure rates Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 20*-***_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_*****

Failure category		Failure rate (in FIT)	
Fail Dangerous Detected		698	
	Fail Detected (detected by internal diagnostics)	489	
	Fail High (detected by the logic solver)	21	
	Fail Low (detected by the logic solver)	147	
	Annunciation Detected	41	
Fail Dangerous Undetected		218	
No Effect		382	
Annunciation Undetected		39	

¹ Type B component: “Complex” component (using micro controllers or programmable logic); for details see 7.4.3.1.3 of IEC 61508-2.



The failure rates for the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter, models 26*-*****-*** are listed in Table 3.

Table 3 Failure rates Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 26*-***-*****

Failure category		Failure rate (in FIT)	
Fail Dangerous Detected		793	
	Fail Detected (detected by internal diagnostics)	584	
	Fail High (detected by the logic solver)	21	
	Fail Low (detected by the logic solver)	147	
	Annunciation Detected	41	
Fail Dangerous Undetected		123	
No Effect		382	
Annunciation Undetected		31	

Table 4 lists the failure rates for the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX according to IEC 61508, assuming that the logic solver can detect both over-scale and under-scale currents. The table assumes that the probability model correctly accounts for the Annunciation Undetected failures.

Table 4 Failure rates according to IEC 61508

Device	λ_{sd}	λ_{su}^2	λ_{dd}	λ_{du}	SFF
Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 20*-*****-***, 22*-*****-***, and 24*-*****-***	0 FIT	421 FIT	698 FIT	218 FIT	83.7%
Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 26*-*****-***	0 FIT	413 FIT	793 FIT	123 FIT	90.7%

These failure rates are valid for the useful lifetime of the product, see Appendix A: Lifetime of critical components.

A user of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter can utilize these failure rates in a probabilistic model of a safety instrumented function (SIF) to determine suitability in part for safety instrumented system (SIS) usage in a particular safety integrity level (SIL). A full table of failure rates is presented in section 4.4 along with all assumptions.

² It is important to realize that the “no effect” failures are included in the “safe undetected” failure category according to IEC 61508. Note that these failures on their own will not affect system reliability or safety, and should not be included in spurious trip calculations

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1 Purpose and Scope

Generally three options exist when doing an assessment of sensors, interfaces and/or final elements.

Option 1: Hardware assessment according to IEC 61508

Option 1 is a hardware assessment by *exida* according to the relevant functional safety standard(s) like IEC 61508 or EN 954-1. The hardware assessment consists of a FMEDA to determine the fault behavior and the failure rates of the device, which are then used to calculate the Safe Failure Fraction (SFF) and the average Probability of Failure on Demand (PFD_{AVG}). When appropriate, fault injection testing will be used to confirm the effectiveness of any self-diagnostics.

This option for pre-existing hardware devices shall provide the safety instrumentation engineer with the required failure data as per IEC 61508 / IEC 61511 and does not include an assessment of the development process

Option 2: Hardware assessment with proven-in-use consideration according to IEC 61508 / IEC 61511

Option 2 is an assessment by *exida* according to the relevant functional safety standard(s) like IEC 61508 or EN 954-1. The hardware assessment consists of a FMEDA to determine the fault behavior and the failure rates of the device, which are then used to calculate the Safe Failure Fraction (SFF) and the average Probability of Failure on Demand (PFD_{AVG}). When appropriate, fault injection testing will be used to confirm the effectiveness of any self-diagnostics. In addition, this option includes an assessment of the proven-in-use documentation of the device including the modification process.

This option for pre-existing programmable electronic devices shall provide the safety instrumentation engineer with the required failure data as per IEC 61508 / IEC 61511 and may help justify the reduced fault tolerance requirements of IEC 61511 for sensors, final elements and other PE field devices when combined with plant specific proven-in-use records.

Option 3: Full assessment according to IEC 61508

Option 3 is a full assessment by *exida* according to the relevant application standard(s) like IEC 61511 or EN 298 and the necessary functional safety standard(s) like IEC 61508 or EN 954-1. The full assessment extends option 1 by an assessment of all fault avoidance and fault control measures during hardware and software development.

This assessment shall be done according to option 1.

This document shall describe the results of the hardware assessment in the form of the Failure Modes, Effects and Diagnostic Analysis carried out on the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter. From this, failure rates, Safe Failure Fraction (SFF) and example PFD_{AVG} values are calculated.

The information in this report can be used to evaluate whether the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX meets the average Probability of Failure on Demand (PFD_{AVG}) requirements and the architectural constraints / minimum hardware fault tolerance requirements for SIL 1 sub-systems (models 20*-*****_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_***), or SIL 2 subsystems (models 26*-*****_***) per IEC 61508.

2 Project management

2.1 *exida*

exida is one of the world's leading knowledge companies specializing in automation system safety and availability with over 150 years of cumulative experience in functional safety. Founded by several of the world's top reliability and safety experts from assessment organizations like TUV and manufacturers, *exida* is a partnership with offices around the world. *exida* offers training, coaching, project oriented consulting services, internet based safety engineering tools, detailed product assurance and certification analysis and a collection of on-line safety and reliability resources. *exida* maintains a comprehensive failure rate and failure mode database on process equipment.

2.2 Roles of the parties involved

Orion Instruments Manufacturer of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX

exida Project leader of the FMEDA review

Orion Instruments contracted *exida* in April 2006 with the review of the FMEDA of the above-mentioned device.

2.3 Standards / Literature used

The services delivered by *exida* were performed based on the following standards / literature.

[N1]	IEC 61508-2: 1999	Functional Safety of Electrical/Electronic/Programmable Electronic Safety-Related Systems
[N2]	FMD-91 & FMD-97, RAC 1991, 1997	Failure Mode / Mechanism Distributions, Reliability Analysis Center. Statistical compilation of failure mode distributions for a wide range of components
[N3]	NPRD-95, RAC 1995	Nonelectronic Parts Reliability Data, Reliability Analysis Center. Statistical compilation of failure rate data, incl. mechanical and electrical sensors
[N4]	SN 29500	Failure rates of components
[N5]	US MIL-STD-1629	Failure Mode and Effects Analysis, National Technical Information Service, Springfield, VA. MIL 1629.
[N6]	Telcordia (Bellcore) Failure rate database and models	Statistical compilation of failure rate data over a wide range of applications along with models for estimating failure rates as a function of the application.
[N7]	Safety Equipment Reliability Handbook, 2003	<i>exida</i> L.L.C, Safety Equipment Reliability Handbook, 2003, ISBN 0-9727234-0-4
[N8]	Goble, W.M. 1998	Control Systems Safety Evaluation and Reliability, ISA, ISBN #1-55617-636-8. Reference on FMEDA methods

[N9]	IEC 60654-1:1993-02, second edition	Industrial-process measurement and control equipment – Operating conditions – Part 1: Climatic condition
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2.4 Reference documents

2.4.1 Documentation provided by Orion Instruments

[D1]	EN Jupiter fmeda final.xls, 04/04/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Summary
[D2]	JUPITERIIDIGITALBOARD.xls, 04/04/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Jupiter Digital Board
[D3]	AnalogJupiterII03-9-06.xls, 4/4/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Jupiter Analog Board
[D4]	JUPITERI IWIRINGBOARD.xls, 04/04/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Jupiter Wiring Board
[D5]	PROBE.xls, 04/04/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis – Jupiter Transducer Assembly
[D6]	Bulletin ORI-148.2, December 2003	Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter, Sales Literature

2.4.2 Documentation generated by *exida*

[R1]	Mag 06-04-08 R001 V1 R4 FMEA review Jupiter.doc, 07/20/2006	FMEA review report, Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter (this report)
[R2]	AnalogJupiterII03-9-06_final.xls, 4/28/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Jupiter Analog Board – updated per <i>exida</i> review
[R3]	JUPITERI IWIRINGBOARD_final.xls, 4/28/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Jupiter Wiring Board – updated per <i>exida</i> review
[R4]	JUPITERIIDIGITALBOARD_final.xls, 5/1/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Jupiter Digital Board – updated per <i>exida</i> review
[R5]	PROBE_stuck_float_detected.xls, 4/28/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Jupiter Sensor Assembly – stuck float detected
[R6]	PROBE_stuck_float_not_detected.xls, 5/8/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Jupiter Sensor Assembly – stuck float not detected
[R7]	EN Jupiter fmeda final_stuck_float_detected.xls, 5/8/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Summary – stuck float detected – updated per <i>exida</i> review
[R8]	EN Jupiter fmeda final_stuck_float_not_detected.xls, 5/8/2006	Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis - Summary – stuck float not detected – updated per <i>exida</i> review

3 Product Description

The Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter is a loop-powered, 24 VDC level transmitter, based on magnetostrictive technology. For safety instrumented systems usage it is assumed that the 4 – 20mA output is used as the primary safety variable. The analog output meets NAMUR NE 43 (3.8mA to 20.5mA usable). The transmitter contains self-diagnostics and is programmed to send its output to a specified failure state, either low or high upon internal detection of a failure (output state is programmable). The device can be equipped with or without display. Table 5 lists the versions of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX that have been considered for the hardware assessment.

Table 5 Version overview

1	Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 20*-*****_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_***
2	Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 26*-*****_***

Magnetostrictive level sensors are based on "time-of-flight" technology. Permanent magnets are contained within a float device which tracks the process liquid as it changes level. The Jupiter probe is fixed within close proximity to this magnetic field. A low-energy pulse from an electronic head assembly is sent down the sensor along a magnetostrictive wire. When the pulse intersects the magnetic field of the float a small distortion is produced in the wire. This distortion creates an acoustic signal which travels through the wire at a constant velocity. This return signal is detected by an acoustic sensor located within the electronics housing. A timer precisely measures the elapsed time between the generation of the pulse and the return of the acoustic signal.

Accurate level measurement can thus be obtained by precisely measuring the elapsed time between the current pulse (start) and the return acoustic pulse (stop). The Jupiter electronics module processes these signals, and then performs various mathematical operations in order to provide the user with an analog and/or digital representation of the liquid level.

Choosing the proper magnetostrictive probe assembly and float is the most important decision in the application process. These choices establish fundamental performance characteristics. The sensor assembly and float should be selected as appropriate for the application. Careful selection of sensor assembly and float will minimize system performance issues.

The Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX is classified as a Type B³ device according to IEC 61508, having a hardware fault tolerance of 0.

³ Type B component: "Complex" component (using micro controllers or programmable logic); for details see 7.4.3.1.3 of IEC 61508-2.

4 Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostics Analysis

The Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis was performed by Orion Instruments and is documented in [D1] through [D6]. exida performed the review of the FMEDA, see [R2]. This resulted in failures that can be classified according to the following failure categories.

4.1 Description of the failure categories

In order to judge the failure behavior of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, the following definitions for the failure of the product were considered by Orion Instruments.

Fail-Safe State	The fail-safe state is defined as state where the output exceeds the user defined threshold.
Fail Dangerous	Failure that deviates the measured input state or the actual output by more than 2% of span and that leaves the output within active scale (includes frozen output).
Fail Dangerous Undetected	Failure that is dangerous and that is not being diagnosed by internal diagnostics.
Fail Dangerous Detected	Failure that is dangerous but is detected by internal diagnostics or a connected logic solver.
Fail Detected	Failure that causes the output to go to the defined alarm state (either High or Low)
Fail High	Failure that causes the output signal to go to the maximum output current ($> 21.5\text{mA}$)
Fail Low	Failure that causes the output signal to go to the minimum output current ($< 3.6\text{mA}$)
Fail No Effect	Failure of a component that is part of the safety function but that has no effect on the safety function.
Annunciation Detected	Failure that does not directly impact safety but does impact the ability to detect a future fault (such as a fault in a diagnostic circuit) and that is detected by internal diagnostics and causes the output to go to the defined alarm state (either High or Low).
Annunciation Undetected	Failure that does not directly impact safety but does impact the ability to detect a future fault (such as a fault in a diagnostic circuit) and that is not detected by internal diagnostics.

The failure categories listed above expand on the categories listed in [N1] which are only safe and dangerous, both detected and undetected. The reason for this is that, depending on the application, a Fail High or a Fail Low can either be safe or dangerous and may be detected or undetected depending on the programming of the logic solver. Consequently, during a Safety Integrity Level (SIL) verification assessment the Fail High and Fail Low failure categories need to be classified.

The Annunciation failures are provided for those who wish to do reliability modeling more detailed than required by IEC 61508. In IEC 61508 [N1] the No Effect and Annunciation Undetected failures are defined as safe undetected failures even though they will not cause the safety function to go to a safe state. Therefore they need to be considered in the Safe Failure Fraction calculation.

4.2 Methodology – FMEDA, Failure rates

4.2.1 FMEDA

A Failure Modes and Effects Analysis (FMEA) is a systematic way to identify and evaluate the effects of different component failure modes, to determine what could eliminate or reduce the chance of failure, and to document the system under consideration.

An FMEDA (Failure Mode Effect and Diagnostic Analysis) is an FMEA extension. It combines standard FMEA techniques with extensions to identify online diagnostics techniques and the failure modes relevant to safety instrumented system design. It is a technique recommended to generate failure rates for each important category (safe detected, safe undetected, dangerous detected, dangerous undetected, fail high, fail low) in the safety models. The format for the FMEDA is an extension of the standard FMEA format from MIL STD 1629A, Failure Modes and Effects Analysis.

4.2.2 Failure rates

The failure rate data used by Orion Instruments in this FMEDA is from the exida proprietary component failure rate database derived using the Telcordia failure rate database/models, the SN29500 failure rate database and other sources. The rates were chosen in a way that is appropriate for safety integrity level verification calculations. The rates were chosen to match operating stress conditions typical of an industrial field environment similar to IEC 60654-1, Class C. It is expected that the actual number of field failures will be less than the number predicted by these failure rates.

The user of these numbers is responsible for determining their applicability to any particular environment. Accurate plant specific data may be used for this purpose. If a user has data collected from a good proof test reporting system that indicates higher failure rates, the higher numbers shall be used. Some industrial plant sites have high levels of stress. Under those conditions the failure rate data is adjusted to a higher value to account for the specific conditions of the plant.

4.3 Assumptions

The following assumptions have been made during the Failure Modes, Effects, and Diagnostic Analysis of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX.

- Only a single component failure will fail the entire product
- Failure rates are constant, wear out mechanisms are not included.
- Propagation of failures is not relevant.
- All components that are not part of the safety function and cannot influence the safety function (feedback immune) are excluded.
- The HART protocol is only used for setup, calibration, and diagnostics purposes, not for safety critical operation.
- The application program in the safety logic solver is configured to detect under-range (Fail Low) and over-range (Fail High) failures and does not automatically trip on these failures; therefore these failures have been classified as dangerous detected failures.

- Annunciation Detected failures are detected by the processor, which causes the transmitter to go to the defined alarm state (either High or Low); therefore these failures have been classified as dangerous detected failures.
- Sensor assembly is selected and installed per the requirements of the application.
- The stress levels are average for an industrial environment and can be compared to the Ground Fixed classification of MIL-HNBK-217F. Alternatively, the assumed environment is similar to:
 - IEC 60654-1, Class C with temperature limits within the manufacturer's rating and an average temperature over a long period of time of 40°C. Humidity levels are assumed within manufacturer's rating.
- The listed failure rates are valid for operating stress conditions typical of an industrial field environment similar to IEC 60654-1 class C with an average temperature over a long period of time of 40°C. For a higher average temperature of 60°C, the failure rates should be multiplied with an experience based factor of 2.5. A similar multiplier should be used if frequent temperature fluctuation must be assumed.
- External power supply failure rates are not included.

4.4 Results

The FMEDA carried out by Orion Instruments on the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX with the corrections as described in [R2] - [R8] and under the assumptions described in section 4.3 leads to the following failure rates. The results include failure of the probe. It is assumed that the probe was selected appropriately for the intended application. Table 6 lists the failure rates for the models 20*-*****_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_*** of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX.

Table 6 Failure rates Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 20*-***_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_*****

Failure category		Failure rate (in FIT)	
Fail Dangerous Detected		698	
	Fail Detected (detected by internal diagnostics)	489	
	Fail High (detected by the logic solver)	21	
	Fail Low (detected by the logic solver)	147	
	Annunciation Detected	41	
Fail Dangerous Undetected		218	
No Effect		382	
Annunciation Undetected		39	

Table 7 lists the failure rates for models 26*-*****_*** of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX.

Table 7 Failure rates Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 26*-***_*****

Failure category		Failure rate (in FIT)	
Fail Dangerous Detected		793	
	Fail Detected (detected by internal diagnostics)	584	
	Fail High (detected by the logic solver)	21	
	Fail Low (detected by the logic solver)	147	
	Annunciation Detected	41	
Fail Dangerous Undetected		123	
No Effect		382	
Annunciation Undetected		31	

The failure rates that are derived from the FMEDA for the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX are in a format different from the IEC 61508 format. Table 8 lists the failure rates for Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX according to IEC 61508, assuming that the logic solver can detect both over-scale and under-scale currents.

According to IEC 61508 [N1], the Safe Failure Fraction (SFF) of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX should be calculated. The SFF is the fraction of the overall failure rate of a device that results in either a safe fault or a diagnosed unsafe fault. This is reflected in the following formula for SFF:

$$SFF = 1 - \lambda_{du} / \lambda_{total}$$

Note that according to IEC61508 definition the No Effect and Annunciation Undetected failures are classified as safe and therefore need to be considered in the Safe Failure Fraction calculation and are included in the total failure rate.

Table 8 Failure rates according to IEC 61508

Device	λ_{sd}	λ_{su}^4	λ_{dd}	λ_{du}	SFF
Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 20*-*****_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_***	0 FIT	421 FIT	698 FIT	218 FIT	83.7%
Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 26*-*****_***	0 FIT	413 FIT	793 FIT	123 FIT	90.7%

The architectural constraint type for Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX is B. The SFF and required SIL determine the level of hardware fault tolerance that is required per requirements of IEC 61508 [N1] or IEC 61511. The SIS designer is responsible for meeting other requirements of applicable standards for any given SIL as well.

⁴ It is important to realize that the “no effect” failures are included in the “safe undetected” failure category according to IEC 61508. Note that these failures on their own will not affect system reliability or safety, and should not be included in spurious trip calculations

5 Using the FMEDA results

5.1 PFD_{AVG} calculation Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX

An average Probability of Failure on Demand (PFD_{AVG}) calculation is performed for a single (1001) Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter. The failure rate data used in this calculation is displayed in section 4.4.

The resulting PFD_{AVG} values for a variety of proof test intervals are displayed in Figure 1. As shown in the figure the PFD_{AVG} value for a single Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX with a proof test interval of 1 year equals 9.60E-04 (20*-*****_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_***) and 5.45E-04 (26*-*****_***) respectively.

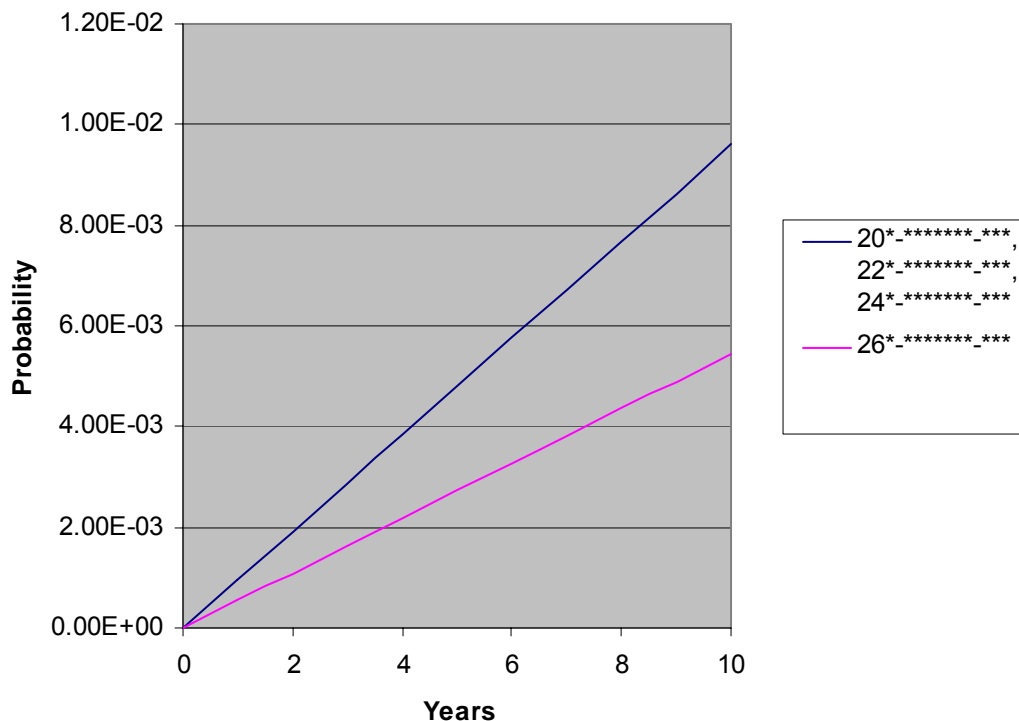


Figure 1 PFD_{AVG}(t) Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX

For SIL 1 applications, the PFD_{AVG} value needs to be $\geq 10^{-2}$ and $< 10^{-1}$. This means that for a SIL 1 application, the PFD_{AVG} for a 1-year Proof Test Interval of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 20*-*****_***, 22*-*****_***, and 24*-*****_*** is equal to 1.0% of the range.

For SIL 2 applications, the PFD_{AVG} value needs to be $\geq 10^{-3}$ and $< 10^{-2}$. This means that for a SIL 2 application, the PFD_{AVG} for a 1-year Proof Test Interval of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX, 26*-*****_*** is equal to 5.5% of the range.

These results must be considered in combination with PFD_{AVG} values of other devices of a Safety Instrumented Function (SIF) in order to determine suitability for a specific Safety Integrity Level (SIL).

6 Terms and Definitions

FIT	Failure In Time (1×10^{-9} failures per hour)
FMEDA	Failure Mode Effect and Diagnostic Analysis
HART	Highway Addressable Remote Transducer
HFT	Hardware Fault Tolerance
Low demand mode	Mode, where the frequency of demands for operation made on a safety-related system is no greater than one per year and no greater than twice the proof test frequency.
PFD_{AVG}	Average Probability of Failure on Demand
SFF	Safe Failure Fraction summarizes the fraction of failures, which lead to a safe state and the fraction of failures which will be detected by diagnostic measures and lead to a defined safety action.
SIF	Safety Instrumented Function
SIL	Safety Integrity Level
SIS	Safety Instrumented System – Implementation of one or more Safety Instrumented Functions. A SIS is composed of any combination of sensor(s), logic solver(s), and final element(s).
Type A component	“Non-Complex” subsystem (using discrete elements); for details see 7.4.3.1.2 of IEC 61508-2
Type B component	“Complex” subsystem (using micro controllers or programmable logic); for details see 7.4.3.1.3 of IEC 61508-2

7 Status of the document

7.1 Liability

exida prepares FMEDA reports based on methods advocated in International standards. Failure rates are obtained from a collection of industrial databases. *exida* accepts no liability whatsoever for the use of these numbers or for the correctness of the standards on which the general calculation methods are based.

7.2 Releases

Version: V1

Revision: R4

Version History: V1, R4 updated per customer feedback, July 20, 2006
V1, R3 updated project roles
V1, R2 corrected model numbers;
V1, R1 corrected per RA review, released, May 31, 2006
V0, R3 corrected ambiguities in FMEDA classifications, May 24, 2006
V0, R2: Draft, May 12, 2006
V0, R1: Draft; May 8, 2006

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V1, R3: John Benway (Magnetrol); July 20, 2006

Release status: Released

7.3 Future Enhancements

At request of client.

7.4 Release Signatures



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Appendix A: Lifetime of critical components

According to section 7.4.7.4 of IEC 61508-2, a useful lifetime, based on experience, should be assumed.

Although a constant failure rate is assumed by the probabilistic estimation method (see section 4.3) this only applies provided that the useful lifetime⁵ of components is not exceeded. Beyond their useful lifetime the result of the probabilistic calculation method is therefore meaningless, as the probability of failure significantly increases with time. The useful lifetime is highly dependent on the component itself and its operating conditions – temperature in particular (for example, electrolyte capacitors can be very sensitive).

This assumption of a constant failure rate is based on the bathtub curve, which shows the typical behavior for electronic components. Therefore it is obvious that the PFD_{AVG} calculation is only valid for components that have this constant domain and that the validity of the calculation is limited to the useful lifetime of each component.

Table 9 shows which components are contributing to the dangerous undetected failure rate and therefore to the PFD_{AVG} calculation and what their estimated useful lifetime is.

Table 9 Useful lifetime of electrolytic capacitors contributing to λ_{du}

Type	Useful life at 40°C
Capacitor (electrolytic) - Tantalum electrolytic, solid electrolyte	Approx. 500,000 hours

As there are no aluminum electrolytic capacitors used, the tantalum electrolytic capacitors are the limiting factors with regard to the useful lifetime of the system. The tantalum electrolytic capacitors that are used in the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX have an estimated useful lifetime of about 50 years.

When plant experience indicates a shorter useful lifetime than indicated in this appendix, the number based on plant experience should be used.

⁵ Useful lifetime is a reliability engineering term that describes the operational time interval where the failure rate of a device is relatively constant. It is not a term which covers product obsolescence, warranty, or other commercial issues.

Appendix B Proof test to reveal dangerous undetected faults

According to section 7.4.3.2.2 f) of IEC 61508-2 proof tests shall be undertaken to reveal dangerous faults which are undetected by diagnostic tests. This means that it is necessary to specify how dangerous undetected faults which have been noted during the FMEDA can be detected during proof testing.

B.1 Suggested proof test

A suggested proof test is described in Table 10. This test will detect approximately 97% of possible DU failures in Model 20*-*-*-, 22*-*-*-, and 24*-*-*- of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter. The test will detect approximately 94% of possible DU failures in Model 26*-*-*- of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX.

Table 10 Steps for Proof Test

Step	Action
1.	Bypass the safety PLC or take other appropriate action to avoid a false trip.
2.	Send a HART command to the transmitter to go to the high alarm current output and verify that the analog current reaches that value. This tests for compliance voltage problems such as low loop power supply voltage or increased wiring resistance. This also tests for other possible failures in the current loop circuitry.
3.	Send a HART command to the transmitter to go to the low alarm current output and verify that the analog current reaches that value. This tests for possible quiescent current related failures.
4.	Remove level from the probe so the float is allowed to drop to the bottom end of the probe. This test simulates a damaged float. For Models 20*-*-*-, 22*-*-*-, and 24*-*-*- of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX Magnetostrictive Level Transmitter the output should go to the minimum level. For Model 26*-*-*- of the Jupiter Enhanced Model 2XX the Status parameter should indicate "NoSignal" and the output current should go to the specified alarm state.
5.	Perform a two point calibration check of the transmitter by applying level to two points on the sensor assembly and compare the transmitter display reading and the current level value to a known reference measurement.
6.	If the calibration is correct the proof test is complete. Proceed to step 11.
7.	If the calibration is incorrect, remove the transmitter and sensor assembly from the process. Inspect the sensor assembly and float for build-up or clogging. Clean the sensor assembly and float, if necessary. Perform a bench calibration check by placing the float at two points. Measure the level from the bottom of the probe to the points and compare to the transmitter display and current level readings.
8.	If the calibration is off by more than 2%, call the factory for assistance.
9.	If the calibration is correct, the proof test is complete. Proceed to step 10.
10.	Re-install the sensor assembly and transmitter.

Step	Action
11.	Restore the loop to full operation.
12.	Remove the bypass from the safety PLC or otherwise restore normal operation