P1450.4 syntax subgroup meeting minutes – 11/28/05

Attendees: Dave Dowding, Greg Maston, Jim O’Reilly, Tony Taylor

Not present: Doug Sprague

Agenda/Summary:
• Next steps:
  o Continue development of binning syntax. Do we need to support multi-axis binning?
  o Reconcile differences between conceptual model and syntax.
    ▪ Areas where different terms apply to identical concepts.
    ▪ Areas where there are conceptual differences.
  o Dave to forward latest update to conceptual model to syntax subgroup this week.
  o Work on developing examples and use cases based on current syntax.
  o Binning questions from Tony?
    ▪ The BinDefs block definition allows at least one Pass and at least one Fail BinDefs block. The test program, however, can currently only select one BinDefs block – how do we resolve this disconnect?
    ▪ Do we need more than one bin axis?
    ▪ Do expressions (for instance, as used in assignment statements of pre- and post-actions) have access to softbin values? Or do we define a “softbin” function, which, given a softbin name, returns the softbin number? The latter keeps the softbin names out of the variables namespace – you can’t use softbin names as regular variables.
      ▪ Syntax subgroup is in favor of the latter – Tony to update syntax document.

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