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#### Introduction

Classification and terminology standards are fundamental to the identification of a product for using in industrial and trade communications, education, information search, data processing, research, development, inventing, patenting, etc. It is intended that these standards be based on the latest technical achievements and classification theories, cover all viable modern equipment design types, exclude ambiguity, be adapted to easy translations into different languages by exact terms, and be flexible and open to new innovations. This Technical Report is intended to contribute essentially to obtaining these aims for a possible subsequent revision of ISO 5390.

The main modern problems in compressor classification and terminology are associated with rapid development and implementation of new design types. In addition, many manufacturers include in a single non-separable compressor package, not only an aftercooler, but also a receiver, dryer, etc.. In these conditions, it is important to establish and maintain unified patterns and principles for forming new derivative and composed terms by using a few basic original terms as well as using, as far as possible, established professional terms which have emerged spontaneously.

The problems related to the classification of compressor equipment are complicated by the wide spectrum and diversity of application fields, resulting in a great number of applicability and performance criteria, such as:

- compression principles;
- basic design features;
- energy forms used (electricity, fuel heat, etc.) and driver types;
- cooling agents (air, water, etc.) and methods;
- lubrication conditions (oil-free or contaminated with oil);
- mobility, transportability;
- prefabrication level (packaged and factory-assembled compressor, compressor plant, etc.);
- operation modes and service parameters;
- range of functions (compression, energy conversion, cooling, drying, etc.) and appropriate structural composition of the equipment.

Neither identification of the compressor equipment and its application fields nor selection of compressors for specific services and comparison of their technical and economical parameters are possible without knowledge of this information. That is why it is intended that the attributes listed in this Technical Report serve as a basis for the practical multi-dimensional classification system of compressor equipment.

Some explanatory notes and methodical approaches are presented in Annex A.

### Compressors — Classification — Complementary information to ISO 5390

#### 1 Scope

This Technical Report gives a classification of modern compressor types and their definitions.

This Technical Report presents terms for use in technical and contractual specifications, manufacturer's literature, information searches and data processing systems, patent information, educational publications for students, service and maintenance instructions, industrial statistics and market surveys, as well as in design, quality, safety, testing and other standards, norms, regulations and codes.

It is intended that adequate technical and economical comparison and evaluation of compressor alternatives for specific application conditions be performed with identical functional, mobility, service pressures and service media classes, as well as with equal capacity ratings.

#### 2 Design classes

#### 2.1 General

The general hierarchy of compressor design classes is given in Figure 1.

Design classes specify the basic working principles and conceptual engineering philosophy of modern compressors being operated, marketed, manufactured, developed, investigated or invented. The classification tables in 2.2 to 2.5 contain preferred terms of basic compressor classes, their definitions and graphical illustrations. Graphical materials are presented only as examples. Non-preferred synonyms are given in parentheses. Special definitions are not given for those subclasses where the wording of the terms characterizes sufficiently basic design features and attributes of the compressor types. More general high-level terms can be used in the technical documentation instead of low-level particular subclasses, such as "compressor", "compressor plant" and "compressor equipment" after the first full description of functional and design subclasses, and in all those cases where there is no possibility of confusion with other subclasses or there is no need to differentiate between specific subclasses.

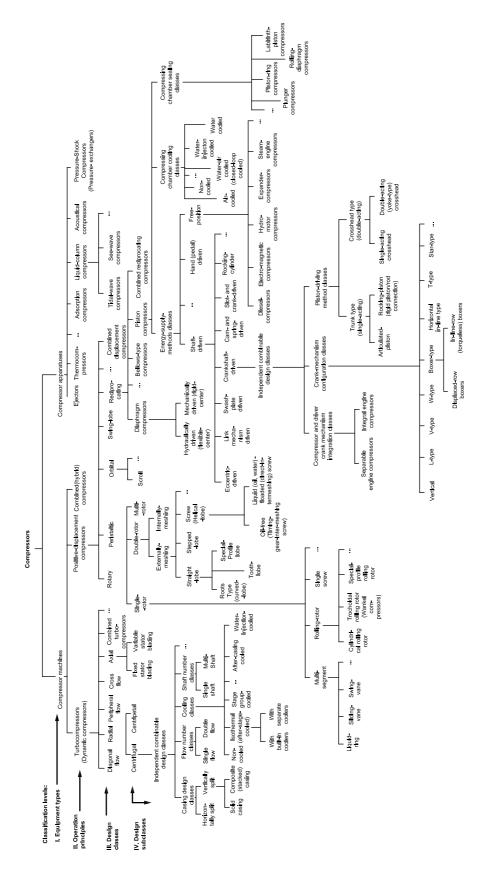


Figure 1 — Design classes of compressors

#### 2.2 Classification by equipment type

Class, term	Subclass and	definition	Illustration (example only)
Compressor (generic term)	A machine or potential energ gaseous media with pressure-ir NOTE 1 Simila regarded as ventil		
	Compressor machine	A compressor in which conversion of different types of energy into the potential energy of gas pressure is effected by mechanical motions of solid working members.  NOTE 2 In some design types of compressor machine, intermediate liquid service media can be used for driving-force transmitting from one solid member to the other one (e.g. in electrically/hydraulically driven piston and diaphragm compressor).	
	Compressor apparatus	A compressor in which conversion of different types of energy into the potential energy of gas pressure is effected by stationary positions of working members effecting basic energy conversion functions, mechanical motions being used only for auxiliary functions, such as gas inlet and outlet, and energy-agent supply and withdrawal.	classes

#### 2.3 Classification of compressor apparatuses by operation principles

Class, term	Subclass	Definition	Illustration (example only)
Compressor apparatus	Ejector	A compressor apparatus of dynamic type, comprising suction chamber, cylindrical throat and diffuser, in which the gas-pressure increase is obtained in continuous flow by initial increasing its kinetic energy by mechanical action of the motive high-velocity auxiliary fluid stream entraining the gas into the accelerating mixed stream, and successive conversion of the kinetic energy into the potential energy of the mixture pressure by deceleration of the mixture flow in the diffuser, the high velocity of the motive auxiliary-fluid steam being created by its expansion in the nozzle from pressurized state to the initial or lower pressure of the gas being compressed.	auxiliary fluid gas
	Thermo- compressor	A compressor apparatus of displacement type in which the gas pressure increase, its discharge and gas intake are obtained by cyclically heating and cooling of the closed volumes of the gas.	
	Adsorption compressor	A compressor apparatus of displacement type in which the gas pressure increase, its discharge and gas intake are obtained by cyclical adsorption of the gas by special adsorbents such as metal hydrides and its desorption at higher pressures by changing temperature conditions.	

term		Illustration (example only)
Compressor apparatus (continued)  Acoustical compressor	A compressor apparatus of displacement type in which the gas pressure increase, its discharge and gas intake are obtained by cyclical formation of low- and high-pressure phases in the closed volumes of the gas due to actions of pressure waves emitted by an acoustical generator	Acoustical generator
Pressure – shock compressor (Pressure exchanger)	A compressor apparatus of displacement type in which the compression of successive volumes of the gas is effected by shock waves created by the second high-pressure energy-carrying gas in several longitudinal through channels arranged circumferentially on the cylindrical drum, these channels being cyclically closed by rotation of the drum between fixed end plates having inlet/outlet ports and blind zones, the shock waves being generated by cyclical exposure of channel ends to the energy-carrying-gas manifold, and inlet/outlet of both fluids being achieved by synchronization of drum-rotating speed in respect to the fixed inlet/outlet ports with the velocity of pressure-wave propagation.  NOTE 1 The rotating drum is not imparting any energy to the gas to be compressed. Its rotation synchronized with shock wave velocity is an auxiliary movement only ensuring control of fluid flows. The drum can be driven by an small auxiliary prime mover or any other power transmitting shaft.  NOTE 2 The shock-wave propagation from one channel end to another one and gas compression up to pressure equalization of two fluids in the channels occur essentially faster than mixing of fluids.	Fixed end plates  Rotating drum
Liquid-column compressor	admission and compression of successive volumes of the gas are performed periodically by forced expansion and diminution of a closed space(s) in the vertical casing of any form due to displacement of the auxiliary-liquid column in said casing.  NOTE 1 The displacement of the auxiliary-liquid column can	
	be generated by external renewable natural-energy sources, e.g. water waves.  NOTE 2 The liquid-displacement source subclasses are:	
	<ul><li>sea-wave driven compressors;</li><li>tidal-wave driven compressors.</li></ul>	

#### 2.4 Classification of compressor machines by operation principles

Class, term	Subclass	Definition	Illustration (example only)
Compressor machine	Dynamic compressor, turbocompressor	A compressor machine in which the gas pressure increase is achieved in continuous flow essentially by increasing its kinetic energy in the flow path of the machine due to acceleration to the high velocities by mechanical action of blades placed on a rapid rotating wheel and further transformation of the kinetic energy into the potential energy of the elevated pressure by successive deceleration of the said flow.	-(1)
	Positive-displacement compressor	A compressor machine in which the admission and compression of successive volumes of the gaseous medium are performed periodically by forced expansion and diminution of a closed space(s) in a working chambers(s) by means of displacement of a moving member(s) or by displacement and forced discharge of the gaseous medium into the high-pressure area.  NOTE The closed spaces with variable or displaceable volumes represent compression chambers. In one working chamber, there can be one or several variable-volume compression chambers.	<u></u>
	Combined compressor machine	A compressor machine in which the compression of gaseous medium or media is performed simultaneously or successively by dynamic and positive-displacement compressors driven by a common prime mover.	driver geer

#### 2.5 Design classes of compressor machines

#### 2.5.1 Design classes of turbo compressors (dynamic compressors)

Class, term	Subclass	Definition		Illustration (example only)
Turbo compressor	Radial turbo- compressor (Radial-flow turbo- compressor)	stream in the direction with rewheel.	essor in which the acceleration of the gas meridional plane is performed in radial espect to the axis of rotation of the bladed	
	compressor)		subclasses of radial compressors are:	
			ugal compressor;	
			petal compressor.	
		instead of "centr	broader term "radial compressor" can be used ifugal compressor" if there is no possibility of ntripetal radial compressors.	
		Centrifugal compressor	A radial turbo compressor in which the acceleration of the gas stream is caused essentially by centrifugal forces and performed from the centre of the rotating wheel to its periphery.	
			NOTE 3 The basic specific subclasses of the centrifugal compressors are:	
			a) flow-number classes of the rotating wheel:	
			single-flow compressor;	
			double-flow compressor;	
			b) casing-design classes:	
			horizontally split compressor;	
			<ol> <li>vertically split compressor with solid casing;</li> </ol>	
			<ol> <li>vertically split compressor with stacked casing;</li> </ol>	
			c) cooling-configuration classes:	
			1) non-cooled compressor;	
			isothermal (after-stage-cooled compressor):	
			a) with built-in coolers;	
			b) with separate coolers;	
			<ol> <li>stage-group-cooled (sectionally cooled) compressor;</li> </ol>	
			after-casing cooled compressor;	
			<ol><li>water-injection-cooled compressor;</li></ol>	•
			d) shaft-number classes:	
			single-shaft compressor;	
			multi-shaft compressor.	
			NOTE 4 Gas cooling system is a component part of the aggregated compressor equipment (compressor plant); however, in spite of this gas cooling methods influence also essentially the design of the compression mechanism (mechanical compressor).	

Class, term	Subclass	Definition			Illustration (example or	ıly)
Turbo compressor (continued)	Radial turbo- compressor (Radial-flow turbo- compressor) (continued)	compressor	A radial turbo compregas stream is acceler centripetal forces induaction of blades placed on the rotating wheel periphery to the centre	ated essentially by iced by mechanical dicircumpherentially and moves from its		
	Axial compressor (axial-flow compressor)	stream in the direction paralle wheel.  NOTE 5 The basic  compressors	ssor in which the acce meridional plane is all to the axis of rotal design subclasses of axis with fixed stator blading; with variable stator blading	performed in the tion of the bladed al compressor are:		
	Peripheral flow compressor (periflow compressor, vortex compressor, regenerative compressor, drag compressor, tangential compressor)	stream is performeripheral (circument of rotation of the NOTE 6 The stype flow pattern radial motion in the circulatory motion caused by centrificircumferential motion of the NOTE 7 The	resulting peripheral motion of the gaseous medium erotor pockets under the in the ring-shaped peripugal pressure gradient stion induced by rotation of basic subclasses ording to configuration and	resulting motion in respect of the axis on with helical screwis composed of the centrifugal forces, the pheral stator channel superimposed by the f the wheel.  of peripheral-flow		
		a) side-channel compressor  b) peripheral-channel compressor  c) angle-channe	single-side-channel compressor     multi-side-channel compressor     single-peripheral channel compressor     multi-peripheral channel compressor     compressor     compressor	Individual definitions are not necessary because the wording of the terms characterizes sufficiently basic design features of the subclasses.		
		,	, p. 19221			

Class, term	Subclass	Definition	Illustration (example only)
Turbo compressor (continued)	Peripheral flow compressor (periflow compressor,	d) double-angle-channel compressor	
	vortex compressor, regenerative compressor, drag compressor, tangential compressor) (continued)	e) stepped-channel compressor	
	Diagonal-flow compressor (mixed-flow compressor)	A turbo compressor in which the acceleration of the gas stream in the meridional plane is performed at acute angles between axial and radial directions to the axis of rotation of the bladed wheel.	
	Cross-flow compressor (transverse- flow compressor, diametrical compressor)	A turbo compressor in which the acceleration of the gas stream is performed in diametrical, cross-direction with respect to the axis of rotation of the bladed wheel thus action of two blade rows on the stream is achieved.  NOTE 8 Fixed deflectors can be used inside the bladed wheel for better flow guidance between two rows of blades.	
	Combined turbo- compressor	A turbo compressor in which the compression of gaseous medium or media is performed simultaneously or successively in different types of turbo compressors driven by a common prime mover.  NOTE 9 Subclasses of combined turbo compressors can be:  — axial-radial turbo compressor;  — diagonal-radial turbo compressor;  — radial-peripheral turbo compressor, etc.	

#### 2.5.2 Design classes of positive displacement compressors

#### 2.5.2.1 **General**

Class,	Subclass	Definition	Illustration (example only)
Positive displacement compressor	Rotary	A displacement compressor in which gas admission and diminution of its successive volumes or its forced discharge are performed cyclically by rotation of one or several rotors in a compressor casing.  NOTE 1 The rotor-number subclass are:  — Single-rotor compressor,  — Double-rotor compressor,  — Multi-rotor compressor.	
	Reciprocating compressor	A displacement compressor in which gas admission and diminution of its successive volumes are performed cyclically by straight-line alternating movement of a moving member(s) in a compression chamber(s).  NOTE 2 Design subclasses of reciprocating compressors are:  — piston compressor;  — diaphragm compressor;  — bellows-type compressor.	- (1)
	Peristaltic compressor	A displacement compressor in which admission of the gas volumes and their forced discharge are performed cyclically by local squeezing of sections of a flexible pipe rested on arc-shaped support by rollers of an external rotor and by displacing the trapped gas volumes from low-pressure side to high-pressure area.  NOTE 3 The inner flexible-pipe surface driven by the rollers represents the working member in the peristaltic compressors.	
	Orbital compressor	A displacement compressor in which gas admission and diminution of their successive volumes are performed cyclically by plain-parallel non-rotating orbital motion of the working member along the circular or other closed-curve path in the working chamber.  Subclass: scroll compressor	
		Scroll compressor  An orbital compressor in which closed-space compression chambers are formed between two identical spiral bands inserted eccentrically in each other and their flat end cover plates, the volumes of said spaces being cyclically decreased and increased from periphery to the centre by orbital non-rotating plane-parallel motion of one spiral band inside the fixed one along the circular path.	-

Definition	Illustration (example only)
A displacement compressor in which gas admission and diminution of its successive volumes are performed by angular swinging (rocking) motion of one or several lobes around their axes in an cylindrical or partly cylindrical casing.	
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A positive displacement compressor in which the compression of gaseous medium or media is performed simultaneously or successively in different types of positive displacement compressors driven by a common prime mover.	Motor Motor Motor Gear Successive compression

#### 2.5.2.2 Design classes of single-rotor compressors

Class, term	Subclass	Definition		Illustration (example only)
Single-rotor compressor	Multi-segment compressor	chambers constheir expansion through the between the initial constant.	compressor in which the compressor stitute circle segments in cross-section, and diminution being obtained by passing variable-height crescent-shaped space her surface of the casing and eccentrically of the smaller diameter.  design subclasses of multi-segment	
		compressors are:		
		— liquid-ring co	mpressor;	
		— sliding-vane	compressor;	
		— swing-vane compressor.		
		Liquid-ring compressor	A multi-segment compressor in which segment- shaped compression chambers are formed between the radial or forward-curved vanes of the eccentric rotor and rotating liquid layer created and maintained by rotating vanes and pressed concentrically to the inner surface of the casing by centrifugal forces.	

Subclass	Definition		Illustration (example only)
Multi-segment compressor (continued)	Liquid-ring compressor (continued)	Single-acting compressor	(example only)
		Double-acting compressor (with two crescent-shaped spaced in the oval-type casing)	
	Sliding-vane compressor	A multi-segment compressor in which segment-shaped compression chambers are formed between the inner surface of the cylindrical casing and flat solid vanes sliding in radial or cord-shaped slots of the eccentric rotor and being constantly	
		forces.  NOTE 2 The design subclasses are:  — single-acting compressor;  — double-acting compressor.	
	Swinging-vane compressor	A multi-segment compressor in which segment-shaped compression chambers are formed between the inner surface of the cylindrical casing and curvilinear flexible or solid vanes rigidly connected or correspondingly pivoted by one of their ends to the rotor and being constantly pressed to the casing surface by centrifugal forces.	
		NOTE 3 The design subclasses are:  — single-acting compressor;  — double-acting compressor.	
Rolling-rotor compressor	diminution of va performed by ro surface of the rotor being circ axis.	ariable-volume compression chambers are billing of the eccentric rotor along the inner casing of the larger size, the axis of the culating by its rotation around the casing	
	cylindrical-ro     trochoidal- ro	lling-rotor compressor; olling-rotor compressor;	
	Multi-segment compressor (continued)	Multi-segment compressor (continued)  Sliding-vane compressor Compressor  Swinging-vane compressor  Swinging-vane compressor  A single-rotor diminution of vaperformed by resurface of the rotor being circ axis.  NOTE 4 The — cylindrical-round rochoidal-roch	Multi-segment compressor (continued)  Liquid-ring compressor (continued)  Single-acting compressor (with two crescent-shaped spaced in the oval-type casing)  Sliding-vane compressor  Sliding-vane compressor  A multi-segment compressor in which segment-shaped compression chambers are formed between the inner surface of the cylindrical casing and flat solid vanes sliding in radial or cord-shaped slots of the eccentric rotor and being constantly pressed to said surface by centrifugal forces.  NOTE 2 The design subclasses are:  — single-acting compressor.  Swinging-vane compressor in which segment compressor in which segment-shaped compressor in which segment-shaped compressor in which segment-shaped compressor in which segment-shaped compressor in which segment between the inner surface of the cylindrical casing and curvilinear flexible or solid vanes rigidly connected or correspondingly pivoted by one of their ends to the rotor and being constantly pressed to the casing surface by centrifugal forces.  NOTE 3 The design subclasses are:  — single-acting compressor.  Rolling-rotor compressor in which the expansion and diminution of variable-volume compression chambers are performed by rolling of the eccentric rotor along the inner surface of the casing circulating by its rotation around the casing axis.

Class, term	Subclass	Definition		Illustration (example only)
Single-rotor compressor (continued)	Rolling-rotor compressor (continued)	Cylindrical- rolling-rotor compressor	A rolling-rotor compressor in which the rotor and casing are accomplished by cylindrical profiles, low- and high-pressure areas of the crescent-shaped compression chambers between the rotor and casing being separated by a gate plate constantly pressed to the rotor and sliding radially in a slot of the casing or swinging around the pivot on the casing.	
		Trochoidal rolling-rotor compressor (trochoidal compressor, Wankel compressor)	A rolling-rotor compressor in which two- or multi-apex rotor and casing are accomplished by conjugated trochoidal profiles and several variable-volume gas- admission and compression chambers are separated from each other by adjacent rotor apexes continuously sliding along the casing surface.  NOTE 5 There can be profiles with apexes on the casing surface along which the rotor profile slides.	
	Single-screw compressor  A single-rotor compressor in which compression chambers constitute spaces between cylindrical casing helical grooves on the screw rotor and lobes of two gate rotors mounted symmetrically and perpendicular on both sides of the screw rotor and meshing with it, said chambers being increased and then decreased by displacing from one end of the screw rotor to the other end due to rotation.			

#### 2.5.2.3 Design classes of double-rotor compressors

Class, term	Definition and subclass	Illustration (example only)
Double-rotor compressor	A rotary compressor with two intermeshing lobed or toothed non-touching counter-rotating rotors driven in proper phase by external timing gears and rotating around the parallel axes in which the intermeshing zone separates low- and high-pressure areas, the volumes of the gas being trapped on low-pressure side between the lobes (teeth) and casing, transported through the non-meshing zone circumferentially along the cylindrical walls to the high-pressure area and compressed simultaneously by transportation or instantly by discharging.	

Class, term	Definition and	subclass		Illustration (example only)
Double-rotor compressor (continued)	compressor meshing intermeshing of two conjugated rotors takes place outside		rotor 1	
	Externally meshing double-rotor compressor	casing in whic takes place on rotation. NOTE 2 Lob — straight-lobe	compressor with a figure eight-shaped h intermeshing of two conjugated rotors the straight line connecting axes of their e-configuration subclasses are:	
			e compressor; al-lobe) compressor.	
		Straight-lobe double-rotor compressor	An externally meshing double-rotor compressor in which the rotors have straight lobes parallel to their axes of rotation, profiles of the rotors being invariable along their length.  NOTE 3 Only transportation of closed gas volumes from the low-pressure area to the high-pressure area (without internal compression) is performed as a rule in the working chambers of these compressors.	
			After opening of the working chamber to the discharge pipe, the transported gas is mixed with the gas contained in the discharge pipe and then compressed jointly as a mixture by further movement of the lobes towards each other, this movement bringing to diminution of the combined mixture volume of the working chamber and the discharge pipe between the compressor and the check valve or compressed air user.  NOTE 4 Lobe-profile subclasses are:  Roots compressor (curved-profile double-	
			rotor compressor;  — special-profile double-rotor compressor.	

Class, term	Definition a	nd subclass			Illustration (example only)
Double-rotor compressor (continued)	Externally meshing double-rotor compress- or (continued)	Straight- lobe double- rotor compressor (continued)	Roots compressor (blower), (Curved-profile straight-lobe double-rotor compressor)	A straight-lobe double-rotor compressor in which rotor lobes have circular, cycloid or other second-power-curved (or curvilinear) profiles.  NOTE 5 The lobe-number subclasses are:  — two-lobe Roots compressor;  — three-lobe Roots compressor;  — multi-lobe Roots compressor.	
			Special-profile straight-lobe double-rotor compressor	A straight-lobe double-rotor compressor in which rotor lobes have special profiles.  NOTE 6 There are many types of this subclass, named after the inventor, manufacturer or shape-resemblance ("Bicera", "Northey", "claw", etc.).	

Class, term	Definition and	d subclass			Illustration (example only)
Double-rotor compressor (continued)	Externally meshing double-rotor compressor (continued)	Stepped-lobe double-rotor compressor (continued)	An externally meshing double-rotor compressor in which rotors have two or more different-profile straight lobes along the length of the rotors, the lobes being parallel to their axis of rotation and having invariable profiles within each step.  NOTE 7 In the stepped-lobe double-rotor compressor, internal compression of the gaseous medium can be performed.		
Screw compressor		An externally meshing double-rotor compressor in which the rotors have helical lobes and grooves, volumes of said grooves being cyclically decreased and increased by engagement and disengagement of each groove-lobe pair, and their simultaneous shifting from low-pressure rotor end to the high-pressure end due to their synchronized rotation.  NOTE 8 The force-transmitting subclasses			
			are:	screw compressor;	
			<ul><li>oil-free screw com</li></ul>	pressor	
			Oil (water)-flooded screw compressor (direct-inter-meshing screw compressor)	A screw compressor in which the	
			Oil-free screw compressor (timing- gear- intermeshing screw compressor)	A screw compressor in which the mechanical energy from the first rotor driven by the prime mover is transmitted to the second rotor by the timing gear provided between two rotor shafts.	

#### 2.5.2.4 Design classes of reciprocating compressors

#### 2.5.2.4.1 General

Class, term	Subclass	Definition			Illustration (example only)
Reciprocating compressor	Piston compressor	constitutes a pi	compressor in which ston reciprocating in piston compresso		
		methods to the	piston:		
		Free-piston compressor	prime mover creater driving forces is use	or in which a built-in ating straight-forward ed these forces acting on body or its reverse	
			Subclasses of free-	piston compressors by	driver types:
			free-piston diesel- compressor	Individual definitions are not necessary	Driver section
	free-piston electromagnetic compressor (free- piston linear-motor- compressor)  free-piston hydromotor- compressor	of the terms characterizes sufficiently the basic design features of	Compressor sections		
		hydromotor-		Driver section  Hydromotor section	
			free-piston expander- compressor		Compressor sections
			free-piston steam- engine-compressor		Compressor sections
					Compres- Expander sor (steam-section engine) section

Class, term	Subclass	Definition				Illustration (example only)
Reciprocating compressor (continued)	Piston compressor (continued)	Man-driven piston compressor	is driven by the service personal details or me wheels, rods, ef	ign subclasses are:	es of the auxiliary	
			<ul><li>hand driven.</li><li>NOTE 2 Man mostly used for</li></ul>	n-driven compress or emergency situal di installations, e.g.	uations in	
		Shaft-driven piston compressor	mechanical en initially suppl compressor sh the straightforw	aft and transfor ard alternating massor piston by r	driver is rotating med into novement	
			Subclasses of s gearing types:	haft-driven pistor	n compres	sors by auxiliary mechanical-
			crankshaft-driven  2) link-mechanism driven	Individual defini not necessary the wording of the characterizes some basic design of subclasses.	because the terms ufficiently	1)
			3) swash-plate driven	0. 0		2)
			4) cam-and- spring driven			
			5) slot-and- crank driven	3)	4)	5)
			6) rocking cylinder 7) eccentricdriven	6)	THE COM	7)
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Class, term	Subclass	Definition		Illustration (example only)		
Reciprocating	Piston compressor	Subclasses of piston compressors by compression-chamber sealing methods:				
compressor (continued)	(continued)	Labyrinth- piston compressor	A piston compressor in which the barrier to the compressed-gas leakages from the cylinder through the gap between the piston and cylinder wall is obtained by labyrinth system representing a plurality of successive constrictions and expansions formed by grooves on the piston or cylinder surfaces, this system ensuring the loss of the flow energy along the gap because of multiple throttling process.  NOTE 3 The piston rod in the labyrinth piston compressor is guided in an additional bearing besides the crosshead to ensure contactless movement of the piston and piston rod in the cylinder.			
		Piston-ring compressor	A crosshead-type piston compressor in which the barrier to the compressed-gas leakages from the cylinder through the gap between the piston and cylinder wall is achieved by means of elastic low-friction sealing rings placed in the circumferential piston grooves and pressed to the cylinder wall basically by their natural elasticity and overlapping the gap between the piston and cylinder wall.  NOTE 4 In some designs, the piston ring can represent a piston cup or collar ring.			
			Plunger compressor	A crosshead-type piston compressor in which the barrier to the compressed-gas leakages from the cylinder through the gap between the piston and cylinder is obtained by means of packing surrounding the plunger-type piston in which segments of low-friction composed sealing rings are pressed to the smooth piston surface by ring-type springs these segments overlapping the gap between the plunger and cylinder wall.		
		Rolling- diaphragm compressor	A piston compressor in which the barrier to the compressed-gas leakages from the cylinder through the gap between the piston and cylinder is obtained by means of a flexible impermeable cylindrical diaphragm with two end collars clamped by one end to the cylinder wall and by other end to the piston body and rolling in the gap between the piston and cylinder wall and hermetically isolating the cylinder inner volume.			

Class, term	Subclass	Definition		Illustration (example only)
Reciprocating	Piston	Subclasses of p	oiston compressors by compression-chambe	er cooling methods
(continued)	(continued)	Non-cooled	Individual definitions are not necessary because the wording of the terms characterizes sufficiently the basic design features of subclasses.	17-F
		Air-cooled		8=17=
		Water-cooled		
		Water-air cooled (closed-loop cooled)		
		Water- injection cooled		→ <b>≰</b> [•
	Diaphragm compressor (membrane compressor)	constitutes a	compressor in which the moving member peripherally clamped and sealed flexible diaphragm in essentially concave-concave namber.	
		NOTE 5 The	basic diaphragm design subclasses are:	
		<ul> <li>hydraulically</li> </ul>	driven (flexible-centre) diaphragm compressor;	
		— mechanically	y driven (rigid-centre) diaphragm compressor.	
		Subclasses of o	diaphragm compressors by energy-supply m	nethods to the diaphragm.
		Hydraulically driven (flexible- centre) diaphragm compressor	A diaphragm compressor in which the reciprocating motion of the diaphragm is performed by cyclical supply of the noncompressible pressurized liquid on its reverse side and its successive withdrawal by means of a built-in piston pump.	
		Mechanically driven (rigid- centre) diaphragm compressor	A diaphragm compressor in which the reciprocating motion of the diaphragm is performed by crank mechanism or other mechanical gearing, its connecting rod or other driving element being secured rigidly to the diaphragm centre by means of supporting washers.	
	Bellows-type compressor	constitutes one flexible bellow compression ch	compressor in which the moving member of two opposite solid walls connected by s-type folding walls, volumes of the namber being decreased and increased by nent of one solid wall backwards and	* T

#### 2.5.2.4.2 Design classes of crankshaft-driven piston compressors

Class, term	Subclass and	definition			Illustration (example only)	
Crankshaft- driven piston	Subclasses of configuration ty	crankshaft-driven pes:	piston compressors by	v crank-mechanism		
compressor	a) vertical	Individual defini	Individual definitions are not necessary because the wording of			
	b) L-type	subclasses.	the terms characterizes sufficiently the basic design features of subclasses.			
	c) V-type					
	d) W-type					
	e) horizontal- opposed (boxer type)	e 1) dis- placed-row (torque- generating) boxers  e 2) in-line- row (coaxial- row, torqueless) boxers	b) d)	e 1)	f)	
	f) horizontal in-	l -line type		e 2)		
	g) T-type					
				g)		
	h) star-type					

Class, term	Subclass and definition			Illustration (example only)
Crankshaft- driven piston	Subclasses of crankshaft-driver integration grades:	n piston compressor	s by compressor and driver of	crank mechanism
(continued)	Separable crankshaft-driven engine-compressor	A crankshaft-driven piston compressor with an individual crank mechanism which can be connected to the power-output shaft of any prime-mover through an external coupling.		cylinders
Crankshaft- driven piston compressor  Integral crankshaft-driven engine-compressor		A crankshaft-dr integral with a dr combustion engi crankshaft and cra and engine crank	cylinder	
	Subclasses of crankshaft-driver	ı piston compressor	s by piston-driven methods:	
	Trunk type (single-acting) crankshaft-driven piston compressor in which the connecting rod of the crankshaft mechanism is connected directly to one side of the piston and only its other side is used for the compression process in the cylinder.  Subclasses of trunk-type crankshaft-driven piston compressors by piston/connecting rod conjunction methods:		cting rod of the crankshaft nected directly to one side of ly its other side is used for	
			rs by piston/connecting rod	
		Trunk-type crankshaft-driven articulated-piston compressor	A trunk-piston compressor in which the piston is articulated to the connecting rod by means of radial bearing.	
		Trunk-type crankshaft-driven rocking-piston compressor	A trunk-piston compressor in which the piston is rigidly secured to the connecting rod and performs simultaneous angular rocking motions by reciprocating in the cylinder.	

Class, term	Subclass and definition			Illustration (example only)
Crankshaft- driven piston compressor (continued)	Crosshead-type (double- acting) crankshaft-driven piston compressor	A crankshaft-driven piston compressor in which the piston is driven by a piston rod extending through a packing gland to a crosshead which, in turn, is driven through the connecting rod of the crank mechanism, compression process taking place in the cylinder on both sides of the piston.		
		Subclasses of cros	piston compressors by	
		Single-acting- crosshead-type crankshaft-driven piston compressor	A crosshead-type crankshaft-driven piston compressor in which only one piston rod can be connected to the crosshead body.	
		Double-acting (yoke-type) crosshead type crankshaft-driven piston compressor	A crosshead-type crankshaft-driven piston compressor in which the crosshead has a yoke-type frame externally embracing the crank mechanism and is capable of driving simultaneously two opposite piston rods or plungers.	

#### 3 Functional classes of the compressor equipment, terms and definitions

#### 3.1 General

Functional classes define the level/extent of basic structural and functional component parts included in compressor equipment regardless of specific design features and should be used for technical and economical comparison and evaluation of different compressor alternatives. Basic technical and economical parameters of compressor equipment: specific power consumption, reliability factors, mass, dimensions, prices, etc. of compressor options should be compared by identical extent of functional components of compressor equipment regardless of design and integration features of components.

Basic functional classes define the amount/extent of component parts included for the typical case of the gradual increasing of functional items when supplied, from the minimum to the maximum amount of component parts, according to the following equipment sequence chain: mechanical compressor – motion-converting mechanism – speed-adjusting gear – driver – auxiliary gas-processing equipment – aftercooler – packaging base – dryer – receiver - enclosure.

Derivative functional classes define any other amount of component parts using all other random combinations of components due to omitting any part(s) according to specific contractual supply conditions.

Derivative functional classes are presented in matrix form as a cross-combination of driver-compressor functional subclasses with compressor supply variants.

If other new functional parts should be taken into account for differentiation of specific compressor equipment dependent on requirements of particular supply or operation conditions, deviations from the combinations presented should be considered additional lower subclasses and specified by introduction of particular attributes reflecting new properties and components or by listing new additional functions.

The shortened terms (e.g. "compressor", "compressor plant" or their abbreviated terms) may be used in the descriptive technical documentation after the first full designation of the functional classes and special notice about it, if there is no danger of their multi-semantic interpretation.

There can be some freedom in the choice of sequence of words in composite terms and their coupling forms as long as basic key words and euphony are maintained (e.g. the terms "packaged aftercooled compressor plant" and "aftercooled packaged compressor plant" are considered equivalent).

Dryers and receivers are included in the aggregated compressor equipment only through their factory assembly and mounting on the common baseplate or by using the receiver for mounting the compressor equipment in the extent of supply. For separate supply of dryers and receivers intended for stand-alone mounting and operation, they should be considered independent individual items of gas-processing apparatuses.

#### 3.2 Basic functional classes of compressor machines

Number	Term	Definition	Ilustration (example only)
1.	Compressor equipment (generic term)	Basic or auxiliary structural elements of the compressor installation: machines, apparatuses, piping and valving, control and instrumentation, their parts or combinations participating in admission, compression, processing and delivery of the gaseous medium, taken totally or partly, in general, regardless of design, extent or quantity.	
2.	Mechanical compressor	A compressor machine constituting essentially one or several working members movable in compression chambers and common built-in mechanism for conversion of external energy supply motion of the driver to the required working member motion, and being operable by supply of external mechanical energy from the power output shaft, or motion rod or piston of the driver or speed-adjusting driving gear.  NOTE 1 The mechanical compressor contains necessary auxiliary devices for performing the gas compression process in the working chambers: applicable gas inlet and outlet valves, gas flow paths, seals, lubrication system, capacity control means, measuring instruments etc., but it does not contain driver, speed-adjusting gear, gas processing apparatuses and piping or compressor equipment packaging and mounting facilities and enclosures.	Motion converting
		NOTE 2 By the same character of motions of driver power-output shaft (rod, or piston) and compressor working members (e.g. both are rotating or both are reciprocating) the mechanical compressor does not contain the motion conversion mechanism (e.g. as in axial, centrifugal, rotary compressors).	o on a nagen compression

2. (continu ed)	Mechanical compressor (continued)	NOTE 3 In some compressor design types, the mechanical compressor can be integrated with the driver in a single non-separable unit if the motions of the driver output shaft (rod or piston) and the compressor working members are of the same speed and character (e.g. as in integral engine-compressors or in free-piston compressors).	Driver section  Mechanical compressor sections  Driver section Compressor section
		NOTE 4 In some design types, the mechanical compressor can use several steps for converting externally applied mechanical energy.  EXAMPLE 1 The mechanical centrifugal compressor has two energy conversion stages according to the scheme: mechanical energy of the rotating shaft $\rightarrow$ kinetic energy of the gas stream $\rightarrow$ potential energy of the gas pressure.  EXAMPLE 2 The mechanical diaphragm compressor can have four energy conversion stages: mechanical energy of the rotating shaft $\rightarrow$ mechanical energy of reciprocating piston $\rightarrow$ potential energy of the oil pressure $\rightarrow$ mechanical energy of the reciprocating diaphragm and potential energy of the gas pressure.	Diaphragm compressor  Multitage mechanical compressor
		NOTE 5 By compressing gases to high pressures, the mechanical compressor can be used as a multistage or multi-casing compressor train containing several cylinders driven by common power-input shaft and connected together by coupling, speed-adjusting gear or common motion-converting mechanism.	Stage 1 Stage 2 Stage 3
			Multi-casing mechanical compressor  Casing 2
		NOTE 6 Auxiliary mechanisms for conversion of rotating motion into reciprocating, orbital, angular- swinging, flexible-pipe-peristaltic motions are mostly used in compressors.  NOTE 7 Large multistage mechanical compressors can be supplied as two or more separate parts: as mechanical compression devices (e.g. diaphragm or piston/cylinder blocks) and motion-converting mechanism ("frame") to be assembled into the complete mechanical compressor at the	Casing 1 Gear

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3.	Geared mechanical compressor	A mechanical compressor with a speed-adjusting gear for matching driver power-output and compressor power input shaft (rod, piston) motions.	
4.	Driver- compressor (generic term; subclasses – according to energy forms used and driver types)	A mechanical compressor with a driver, including its auxiliary systems (lubrication, cooling etc.) and connected directly by coupling.  NOTE 8 A contracted term "driver-compressor" is used instead of the formal "driver-mechanical compressor" because all drivers for compressor machines produce mechanical energy so the word "mechanical" is superfluous.  NOTE 9 For specific compressor equipment with known driver types, the generic term "driver-compressor" can be replaced by subclass terminology according to the kind of available external primary energy (motor-compressor, engine-compressor, etc.).	Driver Mechanical compressor
5.	Geared driver- compressor	A mechanical compressor with a driver and speed-adjusting gear connected by a coupling.	Driver Gear Mechanical compressor
6.	Compressor plant	A compressor (mechanical compressor, driver-compressor, etc.) furnished with gas-admission, processing and delivery facilities, pre- and post-compressor and interstage gas piping, instrumentation, control, automation and safeguarding means for ensuring safe compression of the gaseous medium up to the required end pressure both by single-stage and multistage compression.  NOTE 10 The compressor plant can include apparatuses, vessels, pipes and fittings for performing following gas-processing operations: filtration, water and condensate separation, gas transportation, precompressor and interstage cooling, oil separation, attenuation of gas pulsations, etc.  NOTE 11 The term "compressor plant" does not include driver system (as non-processing gas directly) and additional or optional equipment supplied for specific operating or mounting conditions such as dryer, aftercooler, skid, receiver, as well as silencing, weather protecting or sealing enclosures. These components can be used as single common units for several compressors or supplied as separate process equipment. The presence of additional processing equipment can be expressed by application of additional terms such as "aftercooled" or "packaged" or "enclosed plant" and "motor-compressor plant/dryer".	Compressor Processing section
7.	Aftercooled compressor plant	A compressor plant furnished with aftercooler.	Compressor After-cooler  Compressor plant
8.	Packaged compressor equipment (compressor, compressor plant)	Compressor equipment (plant) mounted in the extent of supply on the steel skid, receiver, coolers, etc. and supplied as a self-contained, factory-assembled, fully piped and wired unit.	Compressor

9.	Packaged compressor plant/dryer	A compressor plant and compressed-gas dryer supplied as a single package on the common base (skid, etc.)	Compressor plant  Dryer
			Skid
10.	Packaged compressor plant/receiver	A compressor plant and compressed-gas receiver supplied as a single package on the common base (skid, etc.)	Compressor plant Receiver
11.	Packaged compressor plant/dryer/ receiver	Compressor plant, compressed air dryer and receiver supplied as a single package on the common base (skid, etc.)	Compressor Dryer Receiver
12.	Enclosed compressor equipment (compressor, compressor plant)	Packaged compressor equipment with soundproof, or weather-protected or hermetically sealed (encapsulated) partial or full-volume enclosure.	Enclosure  Compressor Enclosure  Partly – enclosured package
			Encapsulated compressor plant

# Formation principles of derivative functional classes for compressor machines 3.3

NOTE For visual demonstration of formation principles of **derivative classes**, key attributes of compressor **plant** functional classes in vertical columns are marked **in bold**, and key attributes of compressor and driver-compressor functional classes in horizontal lines are stressed by <u>underlining</u>.

Functional classes of compressors and	Basic functional structural coleft-hand side of each column	Basic functional structural component parts of the compressor equipment added successively to the previous extent of supply on the left-hand side of each column	the compressor equipm	ent added successively	to the previous extent	of supply on the
driver-compressors	Gas admission, interstage cooling, separation, dampening, piping, control, instrumentation, etc.	Aftercooler: (+) - included, (-) – not included	Mounting skid, slide etc. for factory assembly and packaging	Compressed-gas dryer: (+) - included, (-) – not included	Compressed-gas receiver	Enclosure
Compressor (Generic term)	Compressor plant	Basic functional classes compressors	<b>Basic</b> functional classes of the compressor plants regardless of the design classes and subclasses of compressors or driver-compressors	egardless of the design c	dasses and subclasses of	f compressors or driver-
		(+)		(+)		
		<b>Aftercooled</b> compressor plant	Packaged aftercooled compressor plant	Packaged aftercooled compressor plant/dryer	Packaged aftercooled compressor plant/dryer/receiver	Packaged aftercooled enclosed compressor plant/dryer/receiver
				(-)		
				(See the previous column on the left)	Packaged aftercooled compressor plant/receiver	Packaged aftercooled enclosed compressor plant/receiver
		(-)		(+)		
		(see the previous column on the left)	Packaged compressor plant	Packaged compressor plant/ <b>dryer</b>	Packaged compressor plant/dryer/ <b>receiver</b>	Packaged <b>enclosed</b> compressor plant/dryer/receiver
				(-)		
				(see the previous column on the left)	Packaged compressor plant/ <b>receiver</b>	Packaged <b>enclosed</b> compressor plant/receiver

Functional classes of compressors and	Basic functional structura hand side of each column	Basic functional structural component parts of the compressor equipment added successively to the previous extent of supply on the left- hand side of each column	the compressor equipm	ent added successively	to the previous extent (	of supply on the left-
driver-compressors	Gas admission, interstage cooling, separation, dampening, piping, control, instrumentation etc.	Aftercooler: (+) - included, (-) – not included	Mounting skid, slide, etc. for factory assembly and packaging	Compressed-gas dryer: (+) - included, (-) - not included	Compressed-gas receiver	Enclosure
Mechanical	Mechanical compressor		Derivative functional classes of mechanical compressor plants	ressor plants		
compressor	plant	(+)		(+)		
		Aftercooled mechanical compressor plant	Packaged aftercooled mechanical compressor plant	Packaged aftercooled <u>mechanical</u> compressor plant/ <b>dryer</b>	Packaged aftercooled <u>mechanical</u> compressor plant/dryer/ <b>receiver</b>	Packaged aftercooled enclosed mechanical compressor plant/dryer/receiver
				(-)		
				(See the previous column on the left)	Packaged aftercooled mechanical compressor plant/receiver	Packaged aftercooled enclosed mechanical compressor plant/receiver
		(-)		(+)		
		(see the previous column on the left)	Packaged mechanical compressor plant	Packaged <u>mechanical</u> compressor plant/ <b>dryer</b>	Packaged <u>mechanical</u> compressor plant/dryer/ <b>receiver</b>	Packaged <b>enclosed</b> <u>mechanical</u> compressor plant/dryer/receiver
				(-)		
				(see the previous column on the left)	Packaged <u>mechanical</u> compressor plant/ <b>receiver</b>	Packaged <b>enclosed</b> <u>mechanical</u> compressor plant/receiver

Functional classes of compressors and	Basic functional structural component hand side of each column	ural component parts of mn	t parts of the compressor equipment added successively to the previous extent of supply on the left-	ent added successively	to the previous extent o	of supply on the left-
driver-compressors	Gas admission, interstage cooling, separation, dampening, piping, control, instrumentation, etc.	Aftercooler: (+) - included, (-) – not included	Mounting skid, slide etc. for factory assembly and packaging	Compressed-gas dryer: (+) - included, (-) – not included	Compressed-gas receiver	Enclosure
Geared mechanical	Geared mechanical	Derivative functional class	Derivative functional classes of geared mechanical compressor plants	l compressor plants		
compressor	compressor <b>plant</b>	(+)		(+)		
		Aftercooled geared mechanical compressor plant	Geared mechanical aftercooled geared mechanical compressor plant	Packaged aftercooled geared mechanical compressor plant/dryer	Packaged aftercooled geared mechanical compressor plant/dryer/receiver	Packaged aftercooled enclosed geared mechanical compressor plant/dryer/receiver
				(-)		
				(see the previous column on the left)	Packaged aftercooled geared mechanical compressor plant/receiver	Packaged aftercooled enclosed geared mechanical compressor plant/receiver
		(-)		(+)		
		(see the previous column on the left)	Packaged geared mechanical compressor plant	Packaged <u>geared</u> <u>mechanical</u> compressor plant/ <b>dryer</b>	Packaged <u>mechanical</u> compressor plant/dryer/ <b>receiver</b>	Packaged enclosed geared mechanical compressor plant/dryer/receiver
				(-)		
				(see the previous column on the left)	Packaged <u>geared</u> <u>mechanical</u> compressor plant <b>/receiver</b>	Packaged enclosed geared mechanical compressor plant/receiver

Functional classes of compressors and	Basic functional structura hand side of each column	Basic functional structural component parts of the compressor equipment added successively to the previous extent of supply on the left-hand side of each column	the compressor equipm	ent added successively	to the previous extent	of supply on the left-
driver-compressors	Gas admission, interstage cooling, separation, dampening, piping, control, instrumentation, etc.	Aftercooler: (+) - included, (-) – not included	Mounting skid, slide, etc. for factory assembly and packaging	Compressed-gas dryer: (+) - included, (-) - not included	Compressed-gas receiver	Enclosure
Driver-compressor	Driver-compressor	Derivative functional class	Derivative functional classes of driver-compressor plants	plants		
	plant	(+)		(+)		
		Aftercooled driver- compressor plant	Packaged aftercooled driver- compressor plant	Packaged aftercooled <u>driver-compressor</u> plant/ <b>dryer</b>	Packaged aftercooled driver-compressor plant/dryer/ <b>receiver</b>	Packaged aftercooled enclosed <u>driver-compressor</u> plant/dryer/receiver
				(-)		
				(see the previous column on the left)	Packaged aftercooled driver-compressor plant/receiver	Packaged aftercooled enclosed driver-compressor plant/receiver
		(-)		(+)		
		(See the previous column on the left)	Packaged driver- compressor plant	Packaged <u>driver-</u> compressor plant/ <b>dryer</b>	Packaged <u>driver-</u> <u>compressor</u> plant/dryer/ <b>receiver</b>	Packaged enclosed driver-compressor plant/dryer/receiver
				(-)		
				(see the previous column on the left)	Packaged <u>driver-compressor</u> plant/ <b>receiver</b>	Packaged <b>enclosed</b> driver-compressor plant/receiver

Functional classes of compressors and	Basic functional structural hand side of each column	Basic functional structural component parts of the compressor equipment added successively to the previous extent of supply on the left-hand side of each column	the compressor equipm	ent added successively	to the previous extent	of supply on the left-
driver-compressors	Gas admission, interstage cooling, separation, dampening, piping, control, instrumentation, etc.	Aftercooler: (+) - included, (-) – not included	Mounting skid, slide etc. for factory assembly and packaging	Compressed-gas dryer: (+) - included, (-) - not included	Compressed-gas receiver	Enclosure
Geared driver-	Geared driver-	Derivative functional class	Derivative functional classes of geared driver - compressor plants	mpressor plants		
compressor	compressor <b>prant</b>	(+)		(+)		
		Geared aftercooled driver-compressor <b>plant</b>	Geared aftercooled packaged driver-compressor plant	Geared aftercooled packaged driver-compressor plant/dryer	Geared aftercooled packaged driver-compressor plant/dryer/receiver	Geared aftercooled packaged enclosed driver-compressor plant/dryer/receiver
				(-)		
				(see the previous column on the left)	Geared aftercooled packaged driver-compressor plant/receiver	Geared aftercooled packaged enclosed driver-compressor plant/receiver
		(-)		(+)		
		(see the previous column on the left)	Geared packaged driver-compressor plant	Geared packaged driver-compressor plant/dryer	Geared packaged driver-compressor plant/dryer/ <b>receiver</b>	Geared packaged enclosed compressor plant/dryer/receiver
				(-)		
				(see the previous column on the left)	Geared packaged driver-compressor plant/receiver	Geared packaged enclosed driver-compressor plant/receiver

# 3.4 Functional classes of compressor apparatuses

NOTE For specific types of compressor apparatuses, in this table, the generic term "compressor plant" is replaced by concrete terms identifying the corresponding specific design subclass, e.g. "thermo compressor plant", "adsorption compressor plant", "ejector plant".

Functional parts of	Functional parts of compressor plants added successively t	ded successively to the pr	the previous extent of supply given on the left-hand side of each column	ply given on the left	-hand side of each	column	
Compressor apparatus: compression chamber(s) with integrated energy supply/conversion means for activatin compression process; auxiliary devic (inlet and outlet valves, etc.)	Compressor apparatus: compression chamber(s) with integrated energy supply/conversion means for activating compression process; auxiliary devices (inlet and outlet valves, etc.)	Gas admission, processing, delivery facilities and piping and control and instrumentation necessary for safe operation of the compressor equipment	Aftercooler: (+) - included, (-) – not included	Skid, baseplate etc. for factory assembly and packaging	Dryer (+) - included, (-) – not included	Receiver	Enclosure
Ejector	Ejector body with	General functional classes	classes of compressor apparatuses regardless of their design classes	tuses regardless of th	eir design classes		
	ninet 1022les for auxiliary pressurized fluid and gas to be compressed and outlet diffuser	Compressor plant (e.g. thermocompressor plant)	(+) Aftercooled compressor plant (e.g. aftercooled	Packaged aftercooled compressor plant	(+) Packaged aftercooled compressor	Packaged aftercooled compressor	Packaged aftercooled enclosed
Thermo-compressor	Thermocompression chamber with integrated heaters and coolers		thermocompressor plant)	(e.g. packaged aftercooled thermocompressor plant)	plant/dryer (e.g. packaged affercooled thermocompressor plant/dryer)	eceiver	compressor plant/dryer/receiver
Adsorption compressor	Compression chamber filled with adsorbent (e.g. metal hydride cassettes) and integrated with heaters and coolers				(-) (see the previous column on the left)	Packaged aftercooled compressor plant/receiver	Packaged aftercooled endosed compressor plant/receiver

Functional parts of	compressor plants ad	Functional parts of compressor plants added successively to the previous extent of supply given on the left-hand side of each column	evious extent of sup	pply given on the left	hand side of each	column	
Compressor apparatus: compression chamber(s) with integrated energy supply/conversion means for activatin compression process; auxiliary devic (inlet and outlet valvess, etc.)	Compressor apparatus: compression chamber(s) with integrated energy supply/conversion means for activating compression process; auxiliary devices (inlet and outlet valvess, etc.)	Gas admission, processing, delivery facilities and piping and control and instrumentation necessary for safe operation of the compressor equipment	Aftercooler: (+) - included, (-) – not included	Skid, baseplate etc. for factory assembly and packaging	Dryer (+) - included, (-) – not included	Receiver	Enclosure
Acoustical compressor	Compression chamber with integrated acoustical wave generator	Compressor plant (e.g. thermocompressor plant)	(-) (see the previous column on the left)	Packaged compressor plant (e.g. packaged	(+) Packaged compressor plant/dryer	Packaged compressor plant/dryer/receiver	Packaged enclosed compressor plant/dryer/receiver
Pressure-shock compressor (Pressure exchanger)	Compression chambers of a pressure exchanger with rotating drum, fixed end plates and auxiliary driver			thermocompressor plant)	(e.g. packaged thermocompressor plant/dryer)		
Liquid-column compressor	Compression chambers, conduits connecting them with oscillating-pressure water sources, inlet/outlet valves, etc.				(-) (see the previous column on the left)	Packaged compressor plant/receiver	Packaged enclosed compressor plant/receiver

#### 4 Design classes of the aggregated compressor equipment, terms and definitions

#### 4.1 General

The classification of aggregated compressor equipment incorporates a variety of design features of auxiliary structural components of complete compressor installations as well as diversity in their combination principles with other components (separable, integral, built-in, etc.).

The typical functional classification chain (see 3.1) is accepted as a base for the development of the general classification system of the aggregated compressors. The general structure of the system with the classification criteria of different grades of functional classes is presented in Figure 2.

Classification trees for driver-compressors, compressor plants and packaged compressor plants are presented in Figures 3, 4 and 5, respectively

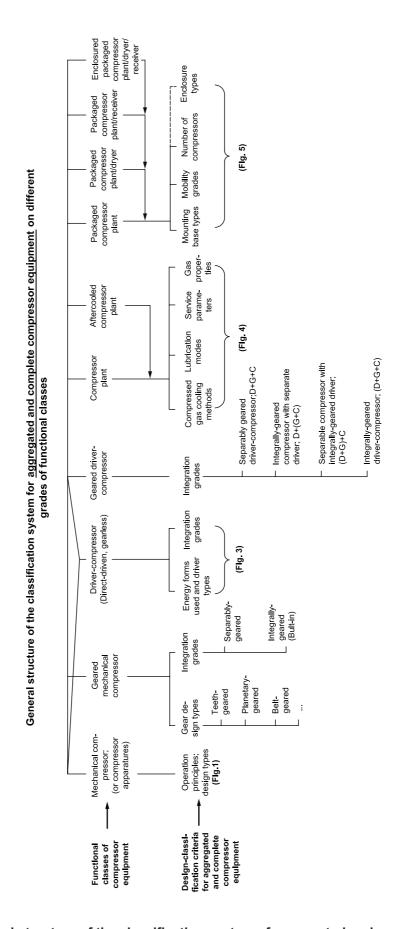


Figure 2 — General structure of the classification system of aggregated and complete compressor equipment of different grades of functional classes

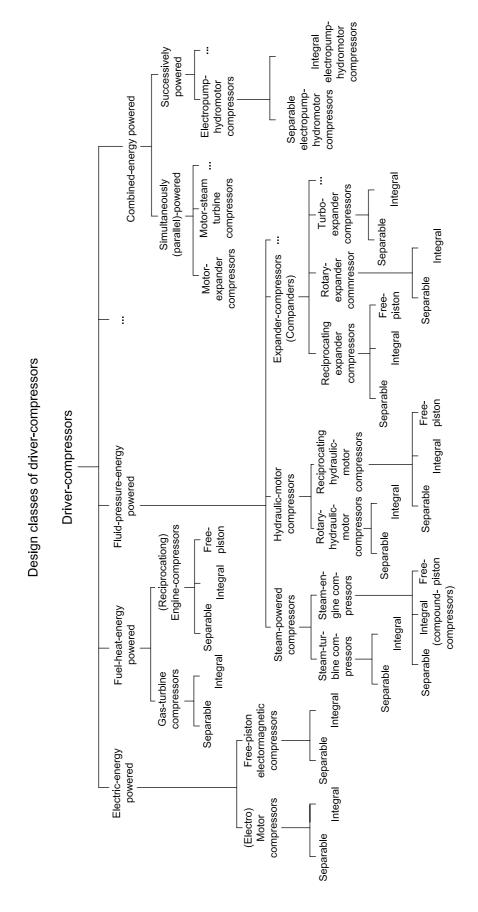


Figure 3 — Design classes of driver-compressors

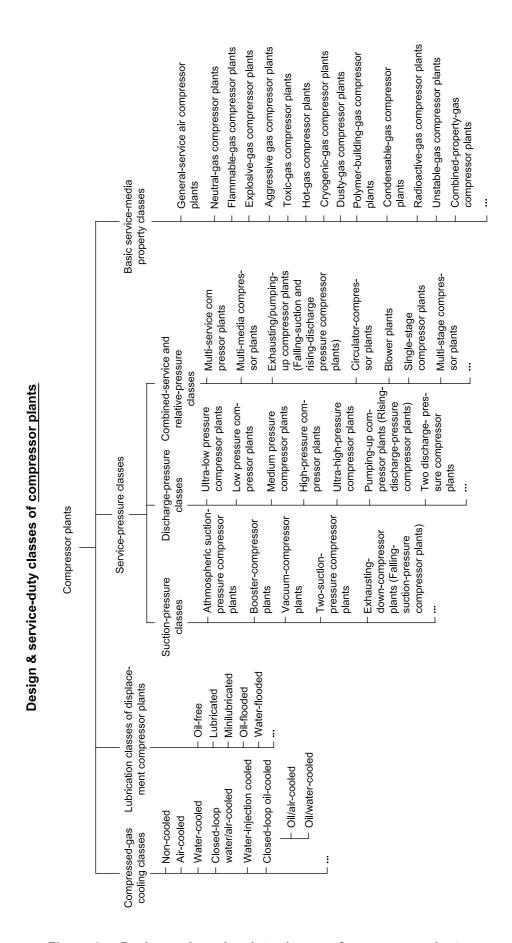


Figure 4 — Design and service-duty classes of compressor plants

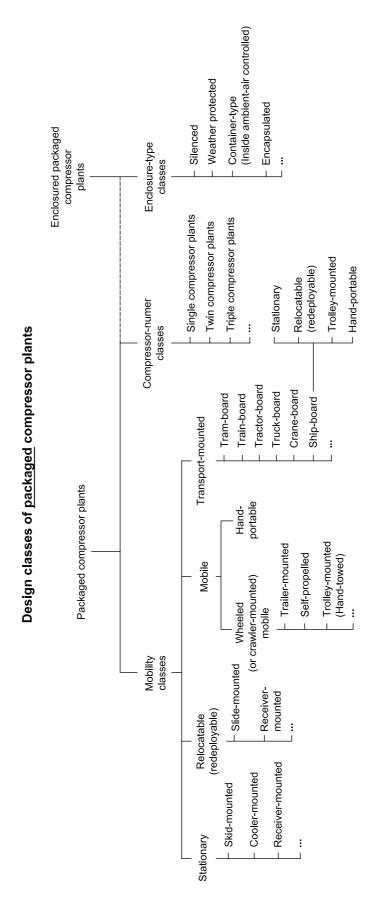


Figure 5 — Design classes of packaged compressor plants

# 4.2 Design classes of geared mechanical compressors

Class, term	Subclass and	definition	Illustration (example only)
Geared	Subclasses by	gear-design type	
mechanical compressor	Teeth-geared mechanical compressor	Individual definitions are not necessary because the wording of the terms characterizes sufficiently the basic design features of subclasses.	
	Planetary- geared mechanical compressor		Mechanical Planetary compressor gear
	Belt-geared mechanical compressor		Mechanical compressor  Belt gear
	Subclasses by	integration grades	
	Separable- geared mechanical compressor	A geared mechanical compressor in which gear wheel(s) and compressor working member(s) (or its motion-converting mechanism) have separate shafts connected by a coupling for force- or torque transmitting.	
	Integrally- geared mechanical compressor	A geared mechanical compressor with a built-in speed-adjusting gear in which the working member(s) and gear wheel(s) have a common force- or torque transmitting one-piece or composed shaft (or shafts).	Compressor section  Gear section

# 4.3 Design classes of driver-compressors

Class, term	Subclass and d	efinition		Illustration (example only)
Electrically- powered driver- compressor		rgy into the mec	ctrically powered prime mover converting hanical energy is used for actuating the	
(generic term)	Electromotor- compressor		powered driver-compressor in which an notating output shaft is used.	
	(motor- compressor)	Separable (electro)- motor- compressor	An electromotor-compressor in which the power-output shaft of the electromotor drives the compressor shaft by means of a coupling.	Electro- Compres- motor sor
		Integral (electro) motor- compressor	An electromotor-compressor in which the electromotor and the mechanical compressor have a common one-piece or composed torque-transmitting shaft.	Comp- Electro- ressor motor section section
	Free-piston electromagnetic compressor		owered shaftless driver- compressor in magnetic motor with reciprocating power-od is used	
	(Free-piston linear-motor compressor)	Separable free- piston electromagnetic compressor	A free-piston electromagnetic compressor in which the reciprocating power-output shaft or rod of the motor drives the compressor shaft by means of a coupling.	Electro- Comp- magnetic ressor motor
		Integral free- piston electromagnetic compressor	A free-piston electromagnetic compressor with built-in motor in which driving forces of the motor act directly on the piston body.	Motor section  Compressor sections
Fuel-heat- energy	A driver-compres			
powered driver- compressor	Gas-turbine			
(generic term)	compressor	Separable gasturbine compressor	A gas-turbine compressor in which power-output shaft of the turbine drives the compressor shaft through a coupling.	Gas turbine Compressor
		Integral gas- turbine compressor	A gas-turbine compressor in which turbine and compressor have a common torque-transmitting one-piece or composed shaft.	Gas turbine section  Compressor section

mechanisms.  NOTE 1 Subclasses are:  integral gas-engine-compressor.  Free-piston engine-compressor and a built-in reciprocating compressor and a fiver-compressor in which an expander machine is used as a driver for transformation of the fluid-pressure energy powered driver-compressor (generic term)  Fluid-pressure-energy powered driver-compressor of the mechanical energy.  Steam-powered driver-compressor of the compressor	Class, term	Subclass and d	efinition			Illustration (example only)	
compressor (generic term) (continued)  Integral engine-compressor and a compressor and a co	energy	compressor			eciprocating internal-		
compressor  compressor  compressor  integrated reciprocating internal combustion engine (ICE) as a driver having the common crankshaft and crankcase for both crankshaft mechanisms.  NOTE 1 Subclasses are:  — integral gas-engine-compressor.  Free-piston engine-compressor.  Free-piston engine-compressor and a built-in reciprocating compressor and a built-in reciprocating compressor pistons.  NOTE 2 Subclasses are:  — free-piston gas-engine-compressor, — free-piston gas-engine-compressor, — free-piston gas-engine-compressor, — free-piston diesel-compressor.  Fluid-pressure-energy powered driver-compressor in which an expander machine is used as a driver for transformation of the fluid-pressure energy into the mechanical energy.  Steam-powered driver-compressor in which pressurized steam is used as a primary energy source.  Steam-turbine compressor with a steam turbine as a driver compressor and a steam-turbine as a driver compressor and a steam-turbine compressor and a steam-turbine as a driver compressor and a steam-turbine compressor and a steam-turbine as a driver compressor and a steam-turbine as a driver compressor and a steam-turbine as a driver and turbine as a driver compressor and a steam-turbine as a driver and turbine as a driver compressor and a steam-turbine as a driver and turbine as a dr	compressor (generic term) (continued)	compressor), reciprocating engine-	engine-	reciprocating into as a driver havin output shaft and	ernal-combustion engine g separate power-		
engine-compressor and a built-in reciprocating ICE as a driver whose driving forces act directly on the reverse side of the compressor pistons.  NOTE 2 Subclasses are:  — free-piston gas-engine-compressor.  Fluid-pressure-energy powered driver-compressor of transformation of the fluid-pressure energy into the mechanical energy.  Steam-powered driver-compressor of generic term)  A driver-compressor and a built-in reciprocating ICE as a driver whose driving forces act directly on the reverse side of the compressor.  Compressor.  A driver-compressor in which an expander machine is used as a driver for transformation of the fluid-pressure energy into the mechanical energy.  Steam-powered driver-compressor in which pressurized steam is used as a primary energy source.  Steam-turbine compressor with a steam turbine as a driver  Separable steam-turbine as a driver  Separable steam-turbine as a driver connected by a coupling.  Integral steam-turbine compressor and steam turbine as a driver turbine as a driver				integrated recipricombustion enginaving the commorank case for bomechanisms.  NOTE 1 Subcla  integral gas-e	ocating internal ne (ICE) as a driver non crankshaft and oth crankshaft sses are: ngine-compressor;	Compressor cylinders  Common crank	
energy powered driver-compressor (generic term)  Steam-powered driver-compressor (generic term)  Steam-powered driver-compressor  Steam-turbine compressor  A fluid-pressure-energy powered driver-compressor in which pressurized steam is used as a primary energy source.  Steam-turbine compressor  A mechanical compressor with a steam turbine as a driver  Separable steam-turbine compressor and a steam turbine as a driver connected by a coupling.  Steam-turbine compressor and steam turbine as a driver connected by a coupling.			engine-	compressor and ICE as a driver v directly on the recompressor piston NOTE 2 Subcla — free-piston ga	a built-in reciprocating whose driving forces act everse side of the ons. sses are: s-engine-compressor;	Compressor sections	
Steam-powered driver-compressor (generic term)  Steam-powered driver-compressor  Steam-powered driver-compressor  Which pressurized steam is used as a primary energy source.  Steam-turbine compressor  A mechanical compressor with a steam turbine as a driver  Separable steam-turbine compressor and a steam turbine as a driver connected by a coupling.  Integral steam-turbine compressor and steam turbine as a driver  Integral steam-turbine compressor and steam turbine as a driver  Integral steam-turbine compressor and steam turbine as a driver	energy						
turbine as a driver  Separable steam-turbine compressor and a steam turbine as a driver connected by a coupling.  Integral steam-turbine compressor and steam turbine as a driver compressor and steam turbine compressor and steam turbine as a driver	compressor	Steam-powered driver-	driver- which pressuri				
steam-turbine compressor and a steam turbine as a driver connected by a coupling.  Integral steam-turbine compressor and a steam turbine as a driver connected by a coupling.  A mechanical compressor and steam turbine as a driver			compressor	Ste	Steam-turbine	turbine as a driver	
steam-turbine compressor and steam compressor turbine as a driver				steam-turbine	compressor and a steam turbine as a driver connected by a	10.2	
torque-transmitting one-piece or composed shaft.  Steam-turbine section				steam-turbine	compressor and steam turbine as a driver having the common torque-transmitting one-piece or	Compressor section  Steam-turbine section	

Class, term	Subclass and d	efinition			Illustration (example only)
Fluid-pressure- energy	Steam- powered driver-	Steam-engine compressor		ompressor with a eam engine as a driver	
powered driver- compressor (generic term) (continued)	compressor		Separable steam-engine compressor	A mechanical compressor and a reciprocating steamengine as a driver having separate power-output shaft and connected by a coupling	Steam Compresengine sor
			Integral steam- engine compressor (compound steam-engine compressor)	A mechanical reciprocating compressor and integrated steam engine as a driver having the common crankshaft and crankcase for both crank mechanisms.	Steam Compr.section engine section  Common crank mechanism
			Free-piston steam- engine compressor	A steam-engine compressor in which driving forces of the built-in steam-engine act directly on the reverse side of the compressor piston.	Steam-engine section  Compressor sections
	Hydraulic- motor compressor (pressurized- oil- powered compressor)	motor which a pressuri energy source.	e-energy powere ized oil or other lic	d driver-compressor in quid is used as a primary	
		pressurized- pil- powered compressor)  Rotary- hydraulic-		or compressor in which a motor is used as a driver	
		motor- compressor	Separable rotary- hydraulic motor- compressor	A rotary-hydraulic motor- compressor in which the hydraulic motor has a separate power-output shaft connected with the compressor shaft by a coupling	Compres- Rotary sor hydraulic motor
			Integral rotary- hydraulic motor- compressor	A rotary-hydraulic- motor-compressor in which the hydraulic motor and compressor have a common torque-transmitting one-piece or composed shaft.	Compressor section  Hydraulic motor section

Class, term	Subclass and d	lefinition			Illustration (example only)
Fluid-pressure- energy powered driver-	Hydraulic- motor compressor	Reciprocating- hydraulic- motor-		or compressor in which nydraulic motor is used	
compressor (generic term) (continued)	(pressurized- oil- powered compressor) (continued)	compressor	Separable reciprocating- hydraulic- motor- compressor	A reciprocating- hydraulic-motor- compressor in which the hydraulic motor has a separate power- output shaft connected with the compressor shaft by a coupling.	Compressor
			Integral reciprocating-hydraulic-motor-compressor (compound reciprocating-hydraulic-motor-compressor)	A reciprocating- hydraulic-motor- compressor in which the hydraulic motor and compressor have the common crankshaft and crankcase for both crank mechanisms.	Common crank mechanism  Hydromotor Section  Compressor Section  Common Crank mechanism
			Free-piston hydraulic- motor- compressor	A shaftless reciprocating-hydraulic-motor-compressor in which driving forces of the built-in hydraulic motor act directly on the reverse side of the compressor piston.  NOTE 3 As a rule these compressors are combined with electrically driven liquid pumps introduced in the liquid-circulation loop (see combined-energy powered driver-compressors below).	Hydromotor section  Compressor sections
	Expander- compressor (compander;		A fluid-pressure-energy powered driver-compres which a pressurized gas or air is used as a prima		
	pressurized- gas-powered compressor)	Reciprocating- expander- compressor		ompressor in which a pander is used as a	
		(Reciprocating compander)	Separable reciprocating- expander- compressor (Separable reciprocating compander)	Reciprocating- expander-compressor in which the expander has a separate power- output shaft connected with the compressor shaft by a coupling	
					Reciprocating Compressor expander

Class, term	Subclass and d	lefinition			Illustration (example only)
Fluid-pressure- energy powered driver- compressor (generic term) (continued)	Expander- compressor (compander; pressurized- gas-powered compressor) (continued)	Reciprocating- expander- compressor (Reciprocating compander) (continued)	Integral reciprocating- expander- compressor (Integral reciprocating compander)	A reciprocating- expander-compressor in which the expander and compressor have the common crankshaft and crankcase for both crank mechanisms.	Common crank mechanism  Compressor section  Expander section  Common crank Compressor mechanism section
			Free-piston expander- compressor (Free-piston compander)	A shaftless reciprocating- expander-compressor in which driving forces of the built-in expander act directly on the reverse side of the compressor piston	Compressor section Expander sections
		Rotary- expander- compressor (Rotary compander)	rotary expander NOTE 4 The	mpressor in which a is used as a driver. rotary expander most used pressors is the screw	
			Separable rotary expander- compressor (Separable rotary compander)	A rotary expander - compressor in which the expander has a separate power-output shaft connected with the compressor shaft by a coupling.	Rotary Compressor expander
			Integral rotary expander- compressor	A rotary expander- compressor in which the expander and compressor have a common torque- transmitting one-piece or composed shaft.	Expander Compressor
		Turbo- expander-		mpressor in which a s used as a driver	
		compressor	Separable turbo expander- compressor (Separable turbo compander)	A turbo expander- compressor in which the expander has a separate power-output shaft connected with the compressor shaft by a coupling.	Turbo- Compres- expander sor

Class, term	Subclass and d	efinition			Illustration (example only)
Fluid-pressure- energy powered driver- compressor (generic term) (continued)	Expander- compressor (compander; pressurized- gas-powered compressor) (continued)	Turbo- expander- compressor (continued)	Integral turbo- expander- compressor (Integral turbo- compander)	A turbo-expander- compressor in which the expander and compressor have a common torque- transmitting one-piece or composed shaft.	Turbo-expander Compressor section
	values, the fluid-p	oressure-energy po	wered compressorers and compressor	s (particularly, hydraulic-mo	generated and consumed energy otor compressors and expander- e.g. reciprocating piston expander
	(integral ICE-comp	oressor, integral ste	am-engine compres	-	reciprocating driver-compressors hydraulic-motor compressors and nism.
Combined- energy-		mpressor with two	o or more drivers	using different forms of	
powered driver- compressor	Simultaneously powered (parallel- powered)	drivers of differe (load-sharing) or	nt type share the part-time (time-s	<b>.</b>	
	driver- compressor (Simultaneous- ly combined- energy- powered driver- compressor)	mostly used in oi plants with a purp gas or steam-pres	l/gas processing, cose to utilize secon	ed driver-compressors are hemical and petrochemical dary energy resources, e.g. rated by recovery of waste off-gases.	
		Motor- expander compressor (Motor- compander)	compressor in w	y powered driver- rhich motor and ed as different driver	Com- Turbo Motor pressor expander
					Motor Integrally geared
		Motor-steam- turbine compressor	compressor in w	y powered driver- rhich motor and steam as different driver	Compressor  Motor Com- Steam pressor turbine
	Successively powered driver- compressor (Successively combined- energy- powered driver- compressor	one of the driver amount of extern second driver ac members using NOTE 8 An e	es converts first the nal energy into the ctuates directly the the second form of electric motor is used	e other form and the e compressor working	

Class, term	Subclass and d	efinition			Illustration (example only)
Combined- energy- powered driver- compressor (continued)	Successively powered driver- compressor (Successively combined- energy- powered driver-	Electropump- hydromotor compressor	motor converts the means of a liquid	hich the primary electric he electric energy by I pump into the potential pressure, which in turn the free-piston	
	compressor (continued)		Separable electro- pump- hydromotor compressor	An electropump- hydromotor compressor in which the electropump is performed as a separate machine from which the pressurized oil is supplied to the hydromotor by a separate oil pipeline.	Electropump  Oil  Free-piston hydraulic-motor compressor
			Integral electro- pump- hydromotor compressor	An electropump- hydromotor compressor in which electropump and compressor have a common working member with a floating compressor piston(s).	Hydromotor-compressor section  Electropump section  Motor

# 4.4 Design classes of geared driver-compressors

Class, term	Subclass and o	definition	Illustration (example only)
Geared driver- compressor (generic term)	Separable- geared driver- compressor	A geared driver-compressor in which every component: mechanical compressor, gear and driver have their separable shafts connected with each other by couplings.	driver gear compressor  Formula:     D + G +C  Where are:     D - driver     G - gear     C - compressor

Class, term	Subclass and d	efinition	Illustration (example only)
Geared driver- compressor (generic term) (continued)	Separable compressor with internally geared driver (separable gearmotor- compressor)	A geared driver-compressor in which driver and drive wheel of the gear have a common shaft and the mechanical compressor has a separable shaft connected with the power-output shaft of the gear by a coupling.  NOTE 1 In this and other illustrations, integral non-separable and built-in components are shown in parentheses.	driver section  gear section  compressor  Formula: (D +G) +C
	Integrally geared compressor with separable driver (separable- driven integrally geared compressor)	A geared driver-compressor in which the driver has a separate power output shaft connected with the input gear shaft of the integrally geared mechanical compressor by a coupling.	integrally geared compressor  Formula D+(G+C)
	Integrally geared driver- compressor	A geared driver-compressor in which the driver and the drive wheel of the gear on one hand, and the gear-power-output wheel(s) and compressor working member(s) on the other hand, have common torque-transmitting shafts.  NOTE 2 In an integrally geared driver compressor, no coupling is used.	Gear section  Compressor section  Gear section  Compressor section  Compressor section  Driver section  Formula: (D +G +C)
	Combined- energy- powered geared driver- compressor	A geared driver-compressor with two or more drivers which use different forms of external energy and are connected to different power-input shafts of the gear.  NOTE 3 This subclass can have its own subclasses according to different integration grades of driver and gears:  D+G+C; (D+G)+C; D+(G+C); (D+G+C)	Expander  Motor Integrally gearded mechanical compressor

NOTE 4 All subclasses of geared driver-compressors can have additional subclasses according to the applicable gear and driver design variants presented in Figures 2 and 3, e.g. "separable-geared motor-compressors"; "separable compressor with integrally geared motor-compressor" (or "gearmotor-compressor"); "Integrally geared compressor with separable gas turbine".

# 4.5 Design and service-duty classes of compressor plants

#### 4.5.1 Cooling classes

Class term	Subclass and defin	ition		
Compressor plant (generic term)	Non-cooled compressor plant		in which no forced streams of cooling agents are provided rom the compressed gas.	
	Air-cooled compressor plant	compressed gas in conduction through	t in which the compression heat is removed from the surface-type heat exchangers by convection and heat walls transferring it to the forced atmospheric air flow on the reverse side of said walls.	
	Water-cooled compressor plant	compressed gas in conduction through	t in which the compression heat is removed from the surface-type heat exchangers by convection and heat walls transferring it to the forced water flow generated by se side of said walls.	
		of closed-loop water-ci	pression heat is finally transferred to the atmospheric air (by use reculation systems including cooling towers) or to the natural waters, etc. (by use of open water-circulation systems).	
	Closed-loop water/air-cooled compressor plant	A compressor plant in which the compression heat is removed from the compressed gas in surface-type heat exchangers by convection and heat conduction through walls transferring it to the forced water which circulates in a closed loop including a pump and is cooled in turn in a second surface-type heat exchanger by forced atmospheric air flow generated by a fan.		
	Water-injection cooled compressor plant	A compressor plant in which the compression heat is removed from to compressed gas in a contact type heat exchanger by heat withdrawal that to evaporation of water aerosols injected in the compressed gas stream.		
	Closed-loop oil-cooled compressor plant	from the compresse evaporation of oil ad being separated an surface-type heat ex agent, the remaining	in which the compression heat is removed simultaneously d gas during its compression by convection and partly by erosols injected directly in the working chambers, the oil of circulated in a closed loop and cooled in turn in a exchanger of the compressor plant by an external cooling g part of the compression heat from the compressed gas special section of the said heat exchanger.	
		NOTE 2 Water or	other liquids can be used instead of oil.	
		NOTE 3 In some cannot be provided.	applications, additional external cooling of the compressed gas	
		NOTE 4 In some cases (e.g. for high-pressure application), the additional cooling can be performed in separate heat exchangers.		
		Subclasses by heat-removal methods from the circulating oil.		
		Closed-loop oil-/air-cooled compressor plant	A closed-loop oil-cooled compressor plant in which the circulating oil is cooled in a air-cooled surface-type heat exchanger.	
		Closed-loop oil-/water-cooled compressor plant	A closed-loop oil-cooled compressor plant in which the circulating oil is cooled in a water-cooled surface-type heat exchanger.	

#### 4.5.2 Lubrication classes

Class, term	Subclass and defin	ition		
Compressor plant (generic term)	Oil-free compressor plant	A compressor plant with a displacement compressor operating without injection of lubricating liquid into the working chambers in which the compressed gas does not come into contact with any lubricant thanks to their rubbing parts being made of self-lubricating materials, or working members moving without contact with each other or with working chamber surfaces.  NOTE 1 Oil-free compressor plant does not need any oil-separation equipment.		
	Lubricated piston compressor plant	A piston compressor plant in which lubricating oil is injected in the gap between the piston and cylinder wall in quantities sufficient to establish continuous stable oil film on the rubbing surfaces for elimination of dry friction on the contacting surfaces, oil-separation equipment being provided after the each compression stage.		
	Mini-lubricated piston compressor plant	A crosshead-type piston compressor plant without oil injection into the working chamber(s), piston/cylinder contact surfaces being lubricated by small quantities of oil penetrating into the cylinder along the piston rod from the lubricated piston-rod packing.		
		NOTE 2 Piston and guide rings of mini-lubricated compressor are made as a rule from self-lubricated of low- friction materials.		
		NOTE 3 Depending on air-quality requirements oil-separation equipment can be provided in mini-lubricated piston compressor plants.		
	Liquid-flooded rotary compressor plant	A rotary compressor plant in which liquid is injected in the working chamber(s) in quantities sufficient to build gas-liquid mixture and perform simultaneously duties of rubbing-surface lubrication, cooling the gas being compressed and sealing gaps between working member(s) and working chamber surfaces said liquid being extracted from the gas in oil separators, cooled by external cooling agent and circulated in a closed loop.		
		NOTE 4 Liquid-type subclasses are:		
		oil-flooded rotary compressor plants;		
		— water-flooded rotary compressor plants, etc.		
		NOTE 5 Oil-flooded screw and sliding-vane compressor plants are the most typical representatives of this class.		

#### 4.5.3 Service-pressure classes

Class and subclass		Definition
Suction-pressure classes	Atmospheric suction-pressure compressor plant	A compressor plant for operation at suction pressures equal to or around the atmospheric pressure.
	Booster compressor plant	A compressor plant for operation at suction pressures above the atmospheric pressure.
Vacuum- compressor pla		A compressor plant for operation at suction pressures below the atmospheric pressure.
	Two-suction- pressure compressor plant (Side-stream compressor plant)	A compressor plant with inter-stage gas in-flow under the intermediate gas pressure.
	Exhausting – down compressor plant	A compressor plant operating cyclically with constant discharge and variable (falling) suction pressure.
		NOTE 1 If the exhausting-down compressors can be used for gas recovery from LPG-transportation tanks.
Discharge- pressure classes	Ultra-low-pressure compressor plants	A compressor plant for absolute discharge pressures up to 2 bar <sup>1)</sup> .

<sup>1) 1</sup> bar =  $0.1 \text{ MPa} = 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ ; 1 MPa = 1 N/mm<sup>2</sup>.

Class and subclass		Definition
Class and subclass	5	Definition
Discharge- pressure classes	Low-pressure compressor plants	A compressor plant for absolute discharge pressures in the range of 2 bar to 15 bar.
(continued)	Medium-pressure compressor plants	A compressor plant for absolute discharge pressures in the range of 16 bar to 101 bar.
	High-pressure compressor plant	A compressor plant for absolute discharge pressures in the range of 101 bar to 1 001 bar.
	Ultra-high-pressure compressor plants (Hyper compressor plants)	A compressor plant for absolute discharge pressures exceeding 1 001 bar.
	Two-discharge- pressure compressor plants	A compressor plant with inter-stage gas take-off under the intermediate gas pressure.
	Pumping-up compressor plants	A compressor plant operating cyclically with constant suction and variable, periodically increasing discharge pressure.
		NOTE 2 The pumping-up compressors can be used for filling high-pressure gas cylinders.
Combined-service and relative- pressure classes	Multi-service compressor plant	A compressor plant with several working chambers for simultaneous compression of different gaseous media in independent suction/discharge-pressure modes.  NOTE 3 Where the term "multi-service"s absent, all compressors are considered single-service compressors for compressing single gaseous medium.
	Multi-media compressor plant	A compressor plant for alternative compression of different gaseous media in the same working chambers under the same or different suction-/discharge-pressure modes.
		NOTE 4 If the term "multi-media" is absent, all compressors are considered single-media compressors.
	Exhausting/ pumping-up compressor plant	A compressor plant with simultaneously variable suction and discharge pressures.
	Blower plant	A compressor plant with discharge-/suction-pressure increase ratios not exceeding 2,0 regardless of the absolute pressure level.
	Circulator- compressor plant	A compressor plant for circulation of the process gas in the closed circuit overcoming only its hydraulic resistance regardless of the absolute pressure level.
	Single-stage compressor plant	A compressor plant in which the pressure increase from the given suction pressure to the required discharge pressure is achieved in one compression stage regardless of the absolute pressure level.
	Multi-stage compressor plant	A compressor plant, in which the pressure increase from the given suction pressure to the required discharge pressure is achieved by successive compression of the gaseous medium in two or more stages with intermediate cooling to remove the compression heat.
NOTE 5 Individual of	definitions of service-m	edia classes (see Figure 4) are not necessary because the wording of the terms

NOTE 5 Individual definitions of service-media classes (see Figure 4) are not necessary because the wording of the terms characterizes sufficiently the basic service-media properties.

# 4.6 Design classes of packaged compressor plants

## 4.6.1 Mobility classes

Class and subclass		Definition		
Packaged compressor plant (generic term)	Stationary packaged compressor plant		to changes in location in respect of nt during the whole service-life	
		NOTE 1 Subclass	es of the stationary com	pressor plants are:
		Receiver-mounted;	Cooler-mounted;	
		Skid-mounted; Slide-	mounted etc.	
		NOTE 2 Any non- subclass supplied in se		plant is also related to the stationary
	Relocatable (redeployable) packaged compressor plant	A packaged self-contained compressor plant adapted for continuou period operation at several locations, which can be dragged to new places without disassembly by means of temporary towing vehicles devices.		
		NOTE 3 Subclass	es of the relocatable pad	ckaged compressor plant are:
		— slide-mounted;		
		<ul><li>receiver-mounted,</li></ul>	etc.	
	Mobile (portable) compressor plant	A packaged self-contained compressor plant adapted for frequent relocation of its operating place by help of regular component-part or specially attached transport means for servicing different compressed-gas users.		
		Wheeled (crawler- mounted) mobile compressor plant	crawler-mounted) ch	r plant mounted on the wheeled (or nassis or receiver and transported to laces by service personal or by nicles
			Trailer-mounted mobile compressor plant	A wheeled mobile compressor plant mounted on a trailer
			Trolley- mounted (hand- towed) mobile compressor plant	A small wheeled mobile compressor plant mounted on a trolley and towed by the service personal
			Self-propelled compressor plant	A wheeled (or crawler-mounted) mobile compressor plant mounted on a appropriate vehicle and adapted for frequent change of its operating place autonomously without use of any external towing vehicles

Class and subclass		Definition		
Packaged compressor plant (generic term)	Mobile (portable) compressor plant (continued)	Hand-portable compressor plant	A small mobile lightweight trunk-mounted compressor plant which can be carried to any operating place by the service personal	
(continued)	Transport- mounted packaged compressor plant		ssor plant adapted for mounting and operation on board a gas user such as transport means, construction	
		NOTE 4 Subclasse	es of transport mounted compressor plants are:	
		ship-board compressor plant;		
		— tram-board compressor plant;		
<ul> <li>train-board compressor plant;</li> <li>truck-board compressor plant;</li> <li>crane-board compressor plant, etc.</li> <li>NOTE 5 On board a large mobile compressed-gas user packaged compressor plants of all mobility classes can be opera</li> </ul>		essor plant;		
		essor plant;		
		ressor plant, etc.		
			d a large mobile compressed-gas user the previously shown plants of all mobility classes can be operated, e.g.:	
		— ship-board station:	ary compressor plant;	
		<ul> <li>ship-board relocat</li> </ul>	able compressor plant;	
		<ul> <li>ship-board mobile</li> </ul>	trolley-mounted (hand-towed) compressor plant;	
		<ul> <li>ship-board hand-p</li> </ul>	ortable compressor plant.	
		without their own driv	insport-mounted packaged compressor plants can be supplied ers as mechanical (or geared mechanical) compressor plants -off shaft of the transport means.	

#### 4.6.2 Compressor-number classes

Class and subclass		Definition
Packaged compressor plant	Packaged single- compressor plant	A packaged compressor plant containing one mechanical compressor.
(generic term)	Packaged twin- compressor plant	A packaged compressor plant containing two mechanical compressors mounted on a common supporting base (skid, receiver, slide, etc.).
	Packaged triple- compressor (or multi- compressor) plant	A packaged compressor plant containing three (or more) mechanical compressors mounted on a common supporting base (skid, receiver, slide, etc.).
	<ul> <li>connecting schem</li> <li>auxiliary-apparatu several compress</li> <li>design classes of</li> </ul>	le or other packaged multi-compressor plants can have further subclasses depending on: es of incorporated compressors: parallel or tandem (successively on cascades); s integration degrees (individual coolers, separators etc. or combined ones for two or ors); compressors (compressors of similar or different design); actities of incorporated compressors (single-size or different-size), etc.

## 4.6.3 Enclosure-type classes

Class and subclass		Definition
Enclosed packaged compressor plant	Silenced packaged compressor plant	A packaged compressor plant with a noise-suppressing enclosure.  NOTE 2 This type of compressor plants can have in turn a further subclass of partly enclosed compressor plant in which only the most intensive noise emitters: driver, gear, mechanical compressor are placed under the enclosure.
	Weather-protected compressor plant	A packaged compressor plant placed in an enclosure protecting the compressor equipment from atmospheric effects and adapted to operation outdoors in the open air.
	Container-type packaged compressor plant	A packaged compressor plant placed in a container adapted for operation outdoors in the open air and equipped with inside ambient-air monitoring system enabling maintenance and repair operations at any weather or seasonal conditions.
	Encapsulated compressor plant	A packaged compressor plant placed in a hermetic enclosure (capsule) which eliminates leakages of gas into the ambient atmosphere as well as penetration of the ambient air into the compressor equipment.

# Annex A

(informative)

## Design, functional and service-duty classification

#### A.1 Design classification of compressors

The terms "design classes" or "design classification" are accepted as a short designation for the complex classification of compressors by design features, equipment types and operation principles.

A hierarchical classification tree is adopted as a base for the design classification. The hierarchical concept gives a complete and integral perception of the whole classification system with clear visual review of all design subclasses with their links, subordination relationships and realization variants.

Classification by equipment type is admitted as the first top level of the classification tree with the classes "compressor apparatuses" and "compressor machines" because these classes are already on the market.

Ejectors, well-known dynamic-type compressors, are referred to as the megaclass "compressor apparatuses" (dynamic subclass) because they have no moving, solid working members or machine parts. Within the megaclass "compressor machines", only "turbocompressors" remain as dynamic-type compressor machines because no other type of movement is known in high-speed dynamic-type machines, except rotation. That is why the terms "dynamic compressor machines" and "turbocompressors" can be considered synonymous.

The next level of classification is by operation principles inside the equipment type.

Several new compressor machine types are presented on the level of design subclasses of the classification tree: scroll, single screw, cross-flow, peripheral-flow, trochoidal, etc.

In some cases, several subclasses, formerly considered separate, are grouped into the more general subclasses of the higher level if they have common design principles. For example, liquid-ring, sliding vane and swing-vane single-rotor compressors are united under the generic subclass of multi-segment compressors. The increase and decrease of working chamber volumes in all these design types are performed by passing them through the crescent-shaped space of variable height between the cylindrical housing and eccentrically positioned rotor. The introduction of this generic term allows the formulation of more accurate and simplified definitions of the subclasses emphasizing at the same time more precisely their essential differences in design features.

The scroll compressor usually related to rotary compressors is presented as a separate subclass of positivedisplacement compressors because the classical scroll rotor does not rotate around its axis, but performs the plane-parallel (orbital) movement.

Open classes are provided for future design types, which can be included in the general classification tree without its rearrangement by their implementation into industrial practice.

The formulation of lower level subclass definitions of the classification tree is based on the principle of non-repetition of the common features of higher level more general terms, but adding only specific features and attributes of particular design subclasses.

Piston compressors are presented in the classification tree with the largest number of subclasses. This fact can be explained by the longest period of development and by a complicated design with a number of components for transmission and conversion of the mechanical energy.

The design terms and their definitions are shown in this Technical Report with their appropriate graphical illustrations in the same horizontal cell.

The term "design class" is used in this Technical Report at all levels of the classification system where there is no need to stress the subordination of design variants. The term "design subclass" is used to express the position of lower level classes relative to higher level equipment types.

Design classes of compressors considered in the part 2 of this Technical Report do not relate to the aggregated compressor equipment, including auxiliaries with their own functions: gears, motors, apparatuses, etc. (except free-piston compressors and integral engine-compressors, in which some compressor parts are coincident with engine parts). Auxiliary equipment with its multiple versions and configurations brings the additional design variety into the complete design of the aggregated equipment and results in further extension and complication of the design classification.

For the elaboration of design classification of the aggregated compressor equipment, it was necessary to investigate and systematize basic completion variants of the aggregated equipment with different structural and functional components and formulate corresponding functional classes.

#### A.2 Functional classification of the aggregated compressor equipment

The functional classes are not dependent on design features. The basic principle of their formation is the presence or absence of different functional elements.

Functional classes are new for ISO 5390 and define the extent of basic structural and functional component parts of compressor equipment common to all design types from so-called "air ends" to complete packaged compressor plants.

Functional classes are important for technical and economical comparison and evaluation of different compressor alternatives in correct conditions. Absence of this classification, appropriate terminology and their standard definitions brings into practice too much confusion because many technical and economical parameters (power consumption, availability and dependability factors, dimensions, mass, prices, etc.) are dependent on the extension of structural and functional composition of the compressor equipment. There are many publications on technical and economical efficiency of compressors without specification of what is implied by the terms "compressor" or "compressor equipment". Even the phrase "motor-driven compressor with mass of 3 200 kg" does not make it clear whether or not the mass of the motor is included in the 3 200 kg. This is because, in many cases, the word "motor" is considered only an attribute to the compressor, but not a part of the equipment.

The analysis of aggregated compressor-equipment supply variants realized by manufacturers has shown that the following most typical processes or operations can be included in the extent of functions of the compressor equipment:

- displacement or compression of the gas in the compression mechanism (or device) of certain design type by supply of mechanical energy to the working members in the form acceptable for this mechanism;
- conversion of the initial external energy (electricity, fuel heat, fluid pressure, etc.) into mechanical energy in the driver;
- conversion of the mechanical energy of the driver in initial form (e.g. the rotating movement of the driveroutput shaft) into the mechanical energy of the other form acceptable for the working member of the specific compressor mechanism (reciprocating, swinging, orbital, etc.);
- conversion of the initial speed of driving members (rotation or stroke frequencies of driving shafts, pistons, rods, etc.) into the necessary speed of compressor working members;
- cooling the gas compressed or being compressed;
- separation of the gas from the liquid phase, abrasion products of mechanical parts and other mechanical contaminants;
- drying of the gas;

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- suppression of pressure pulsations in piping, apparatuses and flow passages of the compressor;
- attenuation of the noise emitted by compressor and auxiliary equipment;
- provision of certain storage volume of the compressed gas to assure necessary stability of the gas
  pressure at the end users by different rate of compressed gas consumption;
- facilitation of assembly, mounting and start-up operations of the compressor equipment on site by packaging and carrying out these operations in industrial/factory conditions and increasing therewith quality, reliability and efficiency of the equipment.

On the basis of these functions, the structural chain of compressor-equipment functional components can be presented for the typical case as the following: compression mechanism (or device) – mechanism for conversion of motion character (rotating/reciprocating, etc.) – speed-adjusting gear – driver – auxiliary gas processing equipment (for admission, cooling, filtering, separating, piping, pulsation dampening, control, instrumentation, etc.) – aftercooler – base for packaging, assembly, mounting – dryer – receiver – enclosure.

The listed sequence of components is the most typical variant of the gradually increasing pattern of equipment functions from the minimum to the maximum extent at the modern stage of the compressor industry. Functional classes corresponding to these grades are admitted in this Technical Report as basic ones.

The problem with functional classification is further complicated where one or several functional components is/are missing from the components chain. Very often, the compressor equipment is supplied without a driver, which is instead delivered directly from the specialized manufacturer to the place of operation. This variant is common where compressor plants are exported to various countries and completed with electric motors from the local producers.

All possible random combinations of functional components of the compressor equipment are admitted in this Technical Report as derivative functional classes.

For elaboration of basic functional classes, the following methodical principles are used:

One of the basic principles proposed for compressor machines is to introduce the term "mechanical compressor" for all kinds of devices compressing or displacing gases by supply of external mechanical energy to their shaft, piston-rod or other energy-taking part. Other basic classification terms are also related to primary energy sources and their conversion schemes, e.g. motor-compressors require electrical energy for their operation, steam-turbine compressors need the potential energy of steam pressure, gas-turbine compressors require the chemical energy of natural gas, etc. Besides, it is important that the term "mechanical compressor" can be translated into all languages using exact parallel terms. It is just the contrary with "air ends", "bare compressors" and other elemental arbitrary "terms".

The second proposal is to admit the term "plant" where all interstage apparatuses, instrumentation, control and piping necessary for safe operation using application of outside energy are included in the extent of the compressor equipment regardless of the presence or lack of specific driving systems, e.g. there can be "mechanical compressor plant", i.e. without motor or "motor-compressor plant").

The third proposal is to expand the term "integral", formerly used only for specific design types to all design types of component combinations such as "driver-compressor", "driver-gear", "gear-compressor" or "driver-gear-compressor", where the mechanical energy from one component to the other is transmitted by common shaft, rod or piston without the use of couplings and these components are designed as a single non-separable unit. The terms without attribute "integral" designate a plurality of separate equipment components assembled in a energy-transmitting chain by a coupling or couplings. In these cases intersection of design and functional classes takes place with coincidence of some terms.

The fourth proposal is to avoid terms, such as "unit", "block", "assembly", "set", "aggregate", "complex", "system", "assemblage", "grouping", "series", etc. because of their multivalence, polysemy, difficulties in adequate and relevant translation into the different languages by keeping admitted specific meanings as well as synonymy in the most applications.

The functional classification of compressor apparatuses is simpler because their energy-transmitting chain does not contain components relating to mechanical motion:

- a) motors, engines, etc. for generating mechanical energy;
- b) auxiliary motion-conversion mechanisms (rotating/reciprocating, rotating/orbital, etc.);
- c) speed-adjusting gears.

#### A.3 Design and service-duty classification of the aggregated compressor equipment

**A.3.1** The design classification of the aggregated compressor equipment is more complicated, not only because of the addition of a broader variety of design features of new structural components, but also because of diversity in their combination variants with other equipment components (separable, integral, builtin, etc.).

The general structure of the aggregated-compressor classification system is founded on the basic functional classification.

Table A.1 shows the classification criteria used for different levels of functional classes.

**Functional class** Classification criterion Mechanical compressor Operation principles; design types Geared mechanical compressor Gear-design types; integration grades Initial external energy forms used; Driver-compressor driver-design types; integration grades Geared driver-compressor Integration grades Compressor plant; Compressed-gas cooling method; aftercooled compressor plant lubrication modes: service-pressure variants; gas-property groups Mounting-base design types; Packaged compressor plant; packaged compressor plant/dryer; mobility grades; packaged compressor plant/dryer/receiver number of compressors in the package Enclosed packaged compressor plant/dryer/receiver Enclosure types

Table A.1 — Functional classes and classification criteria

**A.3.2** The classification of aggregated compressor equipment by basic service-duty criteria is related to the "compressor plant/aftercooled compressor plant" functional class levels because for safe and effective operation under appropriate service-duty conditions (pressures, specific gas properties, available cooling agents, oil-free or lubricated modes), the interrelated and coordinated selection, functioning and interaction of all structural components up to the level of the compressor plant (mechanical compressor, driver, coolers, oil separators, etc.) are necessary. On the other hand, additional component parts beyond the "compressor plant/aftercooled compressor plant" level (packaging baseplate, noise-attenuating enclosure, etc.) do not have direct influence on the compressed-gas production process or on the compressor operation conditions and parameters.

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**A.3.3** Compressor plant cooling classes define directly or indirectly the form of cooling agents (water, air, oil, etc.), basic heat removal processes used (thermal conductivity, convection, evaporation, etc.) and schemes of final heat transfer from the compressed gas to the ambient environment (open loop, closed loop with intermediate cooling agent etc.).

In general, a compressor plant has the following two cooling systems:

- a) for cooling compression chambers in the mechanical compressor (or compressor apparatuses);
- b) for cooling the compressed gas in the complete compressor plant.

These two systems can use similar as well as different cooling agents and methods.

**A.3.4** Lubrication classes essentially determine the quality of compressed gases produced by positive-displacement compressors due to the presence or lack of oil or other liquid vapours and aerosols as a consequence of their injection in working chambers to lubricate contacting surfaces, as well as the necessity of using different types of oil-separating equipment within the compressor plants.

The classification of compressor plants by service-pressure classes is according to the following three criteria:

- a) suction-pressure ranges;
- b) discharge-pressure ranges;
- c) combined suction-/discharge-pressure variants.
- **A.3.5** Analysis of the international market shows that all proposed service-pressure subclasses of compressor plants are used in practice, e.g. the most sophisticated subclass (exhausting/pumping compressor plant with falling suction and rising discharge pressures) is used in LPG (liquid petroleum gas) recovery operations from transportation vessels by exhausting the remaining LPG in gaseous form and filling with it pressure bottles, etc.
- **A.3.6** Service-media classes define the most important predominant gaseous-media properties and determine basic design materials and specific requirements to allowable leakage rates, compressed-gas treatment processes (dust filtration, condensate separation, cooling, etc.), fire protection, occupational health, control and automation, environmental protection, emission and hazards monitoring, etc., for ensuring the safe operation of compressor equipment.
- **A.3.7** Problems in mobility classification of the aggregated compressor equipment are connected mainly with portable and board-operated compressor plants.

To avoid confusion, four mobility subclasses are proposed:

—	stationary,
	mobile,
	transport-mounted (or board-mounted), and
	relocatable

For ship-board compressor plants, different subclasses with their own mobility features are introduced, e.g. "ship-board stationary compressor plant" or "ship-board hand-towed mobile compressor plant". The latter is in fact a "twice mobile" plant.

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