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Part 2: Common usage in electronic technologies, as well as electronic assembly  
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- c) revision of definitions of 23 terms reflecting current technology;

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# ELECTRONIC ASSEMBLY, DESIGN AND CIRCUIT BOARDS – VOCABULARY –

## Part 2: Common usage in electronic technologies as well as electronic assembly technologies

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 60194 covers terms and definitions related to circuit board and electronic assembly technologies as well as other electronic technologies.

The terms have been classified according to the decimal classification code (DCC) and this DCC number appears just below the defined term. The DCC numbering is fully explained in Annex A.

A list of terms in alphabetical order with code number is provided in Annex F.

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#### 3.1 Engineering and design for electronic packaging

##### 3.1.1 ground plane

20.1410  
conductor layer, or portion thereof, that serves as a common reference for electrical circuit returns, shielding, or heat sinking

Note 1 to entry: See also "signal plane" and "voltage plane" in IEC 60194-1:2021.

##### 3.1.2 analogue circuit

21.0037  
electrical circuit that provides a continuous relationship between its input and output