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Part 2: Coexistence management

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INTRODUCTION

The overall market for wireless communication solutions spans a range of diverse applications, with differing performance and functional requirements. Within this overall market, the industrial automation domain could include:

- process automation, covering for example the following industry branches:
  - oil and gas, refining,
  - chemical,
  - pharmaceutical,
  - mining,
  - pulp and paper,
  - water and wastewater,
  - steel,
- electric power such as:
  - power generation (for example wind turbine),
  - power transmission and distribution (grid),
- factory automation, covering for example the following industry branches:
  - food and beverage,
  - automotive,
  - machinery,
  - semiconductor.

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Industrial premises can contain a variety of wireless communication technologies and other sources of radio emissions.

This document is intended for designers and persons responsible for production and process plants, system integrators and mechanical engineers having to integrate and start up wireless systems in machines and plants, and producers of industrial wireless solutions. In particular, it is intended to motivate the exchange of information between automation and radio engineers.

Many wireless industrial automation applications are also located in physical environments over which the operator/owner can exert control, that is, within a physical facility where the presence and operation of all radio emitting devices are under the control of a single entity. This allows wireless management strategies to be employed which are not feasible for equipment installed in public or other unmanaged areas.

In industrial automation, many different wireless communication systems can operate in the same premises. Examples of these communication systems are IEC 62591 [1][1] (WirelessHART®[2]), IEC 62601 [2] (WIA-PA) and IEC 62734 [3] (ISA100.11a). All these communication systems use IEEE 802.15.4 [4] for the process automation applications. Other examples of wireless communication systems are specified in the IEC 61784-1 series [5] and IEC 61784-2 series [6] CP that use IEEE 802.11 [7] and IEEE 802.15.1 [8] for factory automation applications. Different to wired fieldbuses, the wireless communication devices can interfere with others on the same premises or environment, disturbing each other. Other sources of radio energy in these bands, often at high energy levels, include radiated process heating, plastic welding, plasma lamps, and microwave irradiation devices.

Clearly, without a means to manage the coexistence of these varied emitters, it would be problematic to ensure that wireless systems meet the time-criticality and other performance requirements of industrial automation.

This document describes the management of independent radio sources that use the same transmission medium. The management within a wireless communication system is not the subject of this document. It is assumed that the standard of a wireless system regulates it, for example by a medium access control mechanism.

The IEC 62657 series has four parts:

- Part 1: Wireless communication requirements and spectrum considerations,
- Part 2: Coexistence management,
- Part 3: Formal description of the automated coexistence management and application guidance,
- Part 4: Coexistence management with central coordination of wireless applications.

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This document provides the coexistence management concept and process. Based on the coexistence management process, a predictable assuredness of coexistence can be achieved for a given spectrum with certain application requirements. This document describes principles to manage the potential mutual interference that could occur due to the operation of multiple wireless devices in a plant.

This document provides guidance to the users of wireless systems on selection and proper use of wireless systems. To provide suitable wireless devices to the market, it also serves vendors in describing the behaviours of wireless devices to build wireless systems matching the application requirements.

This document is based on analyses of a number of International Standards, which focus on specific technologies. The intention of this document is not to invent new parameters but to use already defined ones and to be technology independent.

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Part 2: Coexistence management

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62657

- specifies the fundamental assumptions, concepts, parameters, and procedures for wireless communication coexistence;
- specifies coexistence parameters and how they are used in an application requiring wireless coexistence;
- provides guidelines, requirements, and best practices for wireless communication's availability and performance in an industrial automation plant; it covers the life-cycle of wireless communication coexistence;
- helps the work of all persons involved with the relevant responsibilities to cope with the critical aspects at each phase of life-cycle of the wireless communication coexistence management in an industrial automation plant. Life-cycle aspects include: planning, design, installation, implementation, operation, maintenance, administration and training;
- provides a common point of reference for wireless communication coexistence for industrial automation sites as a homogeneous guideline to help the users assess and gauge their plant efforts;
- deals with the operational aspects of wireless communication coexistence regarding both the static human/tool-organization and the dynamic network self-organization.

This document provides a major contribution to national and regional regulations by supporting to fulfil the requirements using coexistence management.

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IEC 62443 (all parts), *Security for industrial automation and control systems*

IEC 62657-1:2017, *Industrial communication networks – Wireless communication networks – Wireless communication requirements and spectrum considerations*

IEC 62657-3:2022, *Industrial networks – Coexistence of wireless systems – Part 3: Formal description of the automated coexistence management and application guidance*

IEC 62657-4:—, *Industrial networks – Coexistence of wireless systems – Part 4: Coexistence management with central coordination of wireless applications*[3]

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3 Terms, definitions, abbreviated terms and conventions

3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at http://www.electropedia.org/ [9]
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at http://www.iso.org/obp

3.1.1
active environmental influence
influence on the signal propagation through interfering of the wireless communication application or wireless application

3.1.2
adjacent channel interference
interference that occurs from wireless devices using adjacent frequency channels

3.1.3
adjacent channel selectivity
ability of a radio receiver to respond to the desired signal and to reject signals in adjacent frequency channels

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3.1.4
antenna gain
measure of the effectiveness of an antenna that expresses the ratio between the power required at the input of a reference antenna and the power delivered at the input of the given antenna to achieve the same field strength at the same distance of a given direction

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3.1.5
antenna radiation pattern
variation of the field intensity of an antenna as an angular function with respect to the axis

3.1.6
antenna type
kind of part of a radio transmitting or receiving system which is designed to provide the required coupling between a transmitter or a receiver and the medium in which the radio wave propagates

Note 1 to entry: In practice, the terminals of the antenna or the points to be considered as the interface between the antenna and the transmitter or receiver should be specified.

Note 2 to entry: If a transmitter or receiver is connected to its antenna by a feed line, the antenna may be considered to be a transducer between the guided waves of the feed line and the radiated waves in space.

[SOURCE: IEC 60050-712:1992, 712-01-01, modified – "Addition of "type" after the term, addition of "kind of" at front.] [10]

3.1.7
application communication requirements
quantitative requirements specifying the required conditions and the required characteristics of wireless communication solutions at the communication interface that is met in order to achieve the purpose of the automation application