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### Foreword

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This second edition of ISO 12999-1 cancels and replaces the first edition (ISO 12999-1:2014), which has been technically revised.

The main changes compared to the previous edition are as follows:

- The quantity  $\sigma_{R95}$  was removed from [Table 2](#);
- the text in [Clause 7](#) referring to this quantity was removed and the wording adopted;
- a new [Annex D](#) was drafted with a new table containing  $\sigma_{R95}$  and an explanatory text what it is;
- new references were added.

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## Introduction

An assessment of uncertainties that is comprehensible and close to reality is indispensable for many questions in building acoustics. Whether a requirement is met, a laboratory delivers correct results or the acoustic properties of a product are better than the same properties of some other product can be decided only by adequately assessing the uncertainties associated with the quantities under consideration.

Uncertainties should preferably be determined following the principles of ISO/IEC Guide 98-3. This Guide specifies a detailed procedure for the uncertainty evaluation that is based upon a complete mathematical model of the measurement procedure. At the current knowledge, it seems to be impossible to formulate these models for the different quantities in building acoustics. Therefore, only the principles of such an uncertainty assessment are explained.

To come to uncertainties all the same, the concept of reproducibility and repeatability is incorporated which is the traditional way of uncertainty determination in building acoustics. This concept offers the possibility to state the uncertainty of a method and of measurements carried out according to the method, based on the results of inter-laboratory measurements.

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# Acoustics — Determination and application of measurement uncertainties in building acoustics —

## Part 1: Sound insulation

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 12999 specifies procedures for assessing the measurement uncertainty of sound insulation in building acoustics. It provides for

- a detailed uncertainty assessment;
- a determination of uncertainties by inter-laboratory tests;
- an application of uncertainties.

Furthermore, typical uncertainties are given for quantities determined according to ISO 10140, ISO 16283 and ISO 717 (all parts).

### 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 717 (all parts), *Acoustics — Rating of sound insulation in buildings and of building elements*

ISO 5725-1, *Accuracy (trueness and precision) of measurement methods and results — Part 1: General principles and definitions*

ISO 5725-2, *Accuracy (trueness and precision) of measurement methods and results — Part 2: Basic method for the determination of repeatability and reproducibility of a standard measurement method*

ISO 10140 (all parts), *Acoustics — Laboratory measurement of sound insulation of building elements*

ISO 16283 (all parts), *Acoustics — Field measurement of sound insulation in buildings and of building elements*

### 3 Terms and definitions

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

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>
- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

Note 1 to entry Whenever applicable, they are equivalent to those given in ISO 5725-1, in the ISO/IEC Guide 98-3[1] and in ISO/IEC Guide 99[2].

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### 3.1

#### **measurand**

particular quantity subject to measurement, e.g. the airborne sound insulation of a particular window pane determined in accordance with ISO 10140

### 3.2

#### **measurement result**

value attributed to a measurand, obtained by following the complete set of instructions given in a measurement procedure

Note 1 to entry: The measurement result may be a frequency band level or a single number value determined according to the rating procedures of ISO 717 (all parts).

### 3.3

#### **uncertainty**

parameter, associated with the result of a measurement, that characterizes the dispersion of the values that can reasonably be attributed to the measurand

### 3.4

#### **standard uncertainty**

$u$

uncertainty of the result of a measurement expressed as a standard deviation

### 3.5

#### **combined standard uncertainty**

$u_c$

standard uncertainty of the result of a measurement when that result is obtained from the values of a number of other quantities, equal to the positive square root of a sum of terms, the terms being the variances or covariances of these other quantities weighted according to how the measurement result varies with changes in these quantities

### 3.6

#### **expanded uncertainty**

$U$

quantity defining an interval about the result of a measurement that may be expected to encompass a large fraction of the distribution of values that can reasonably be attributed to the measurand

### 3.7

#### **coverage factor**

$k$

numerical factor used as a multiplier of the combined standard uncertainty in order to obtain an expanded uncertainty

### 3.8

#### **repeatability condition**

condition of measurement that includes the same measurement procedure, same operators, same measuring system, same location (laboratory or usual building), and replicate measurements on the same object over a short period of time

### 3.9

#### **repeatability standard deviation**

$\sigma_r$

standard deviation of measurement results obtained under repeatability conditions

### 3.10

#### **reproducibility condition**

condition of measurement that includes different locations (laboratories or usual buildings), operators, measuring systems, and replicate measurements on the same or similar objects

**3.11****reproducibility standard deviation** $\sigma_R$ 

standard deviation of measurement results obtained under reproducibility conditions

**3.12*****in-situ* condition**

condition of measurement that includes the same location (laboratory or usual building), and replicate measurements on the same object by different operators using different measuring systems

**3.13*****in-situ* standard deviation** $\sigma_{\text{situ}}$ 

standard deviation of measurement results obtained under *in-situ* conditions

**4 Detailed uncertainty budget**

The derivation of a detailed uncertainty budget is desirable to find out which uncertainty contributions are the most important ones and how these contributions can be reduced. Furthermore, such a budget reflects the individual sound fields during the measurement. Consequently, the uncertainty is valid for an individual measurement result and not for a whole family of results. [Annex C](#) gives provisions on the derivation of such uncertainty budgets.

**5 Uncertainty determination by inter-laboratory measurements****5.1 General**

Standard deviations determined by inter-laboratory measurements may serve as an estimate for the standard uncertainty. The general concept and the procedure for determining these standard deviations are given in ISO 5725-1 and ISO 5725-2, respectively. As many operators and laboratories as possible should participate in such inter-laboratory measurements in order to obtain reliable results.

**5.2 Measurement situations**

In building acoustics, three different measurement situations are to be distinguished.

- a) Situation A is that a building element is characterized by laboratory measurements. In this case, the measurand is defined by the relevant part of ISO 10140, including all additional requirements e.g. for the measurement equipment and especially for the test facilities. Therefore, all measurement results that are obtained in another test facility or building also comply with this definition. The standard uncertainty, thus, is the standard deviation of reproducibility as determined by inter-laboratory measurements.
- b) Situation B is described by the case that different measurement teams come to the same location to carry out measurements. The location may be a usual building or a test facility. The measurand, thus, is a property of one particular element in one particular test facility or the property of a building. The main difference to situation A is that many aspects of the airborne and structure-borne sound fields involved remain constant since the physical construction is unchanged. The standard uncertainty obtained for this situation is called *in situ* standard deviation.
- c) Situation C applies to the case when the measurement is simply repeated in the same location by the same operator using the same equipment. The location may be a usual building or a test facility. The standard uncertainty is the standard deviation of repeatability as determined by inter-laboratory measurements.