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Introduction

Sensor network is widely used around the world in multiple fields such as industrial automation, environment monitoring, smart home, intelligent health-care and smart grid. The applications can involve different devices supplied by different manufacturers, e.g. sensors, actuators, controllers, routers and gateways, etc. Data can be collected and processed by use of different wired/wireless communication technologies. Thus, various test systems should be employed to satisfy some specific requirements. The operations of test systems is a challenge to users, if without a uniform test platform.

When designing and developing a sensor network test system, the characteristics regarding the following aspects should be considered:

- a) Sensor network heterogeneity. It is necessary to verify the interoperability of sensor networks based on different protocols prior to system application;
- b) Diversity of sensor network applications.

However, an international test standard for sensor networks which can provide guidance to design and develop a uniform platform integrating different tests for sensor networks is still unavailable.

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1 Scope

This document specifies:

- testing framework for conformance test for heterogeneous sensor networks,
- generic services between test manager (TMR) and test agent (TA) in the testing framework, and
- guidance for creating testing platform and enabling the test of different sensor network protocols.

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

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:

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

3.1

analysis module

logical unit within a testing application process which is used to analyse the information from test agent and module-based test depending on a particular strategy

3.2

test agent

device designed for different sensor network protocols or various kinds of hardware that can communicate directly with the test manager and the systems under test

3.3

testing application process

software functional entity that performs the processing by combining test modules, analysis modules and report modules to fulfil test purposes

Note 1 to entry: It is an application platform that supervises various operational aspects of testing activities and entities, usually through interaction with test agents.

3.4

test module

logical unit within a testing application process that performs operations depending on a specified testing requirements

3.5

testing platform

testing entity that could integrate different test systems for different protocols and technologies

EXAMPLE A platform can provide IPv4 and IPv6 conformance testing systems.