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Standard Test Method for Evaluating the Performance of Systems that Measure Static, Six Degrees of Freedom (6DOF), Pose¹

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1. Scope

1.1 *Purpose*—In this test method, metrics and procedures for collecting and analyzing data to determine the performance of a pose measurement system in computing the pose (position and orientation) of a rigid object are provided.

1.2 This test method applies to the situation in which both the object and the pose measurement system are static with respect to each other when measurements are performed. Vendors may use this test method to establish the performance limits for their six degrees of freedom (6DOF) pose measurement systems. The vendor may use the procedures described in 9.2 to generate the test statistics, then apply an appropriate margin or scaling factor as desired to generate the performance specifications. This test method also provides a uniform way to report the relative or absolute pose measurement capability of the system, or both, making it possible to compare the performance of different systems.

1.3 *Test Location*—The methodology defined in this test method shall be performed in a facility in which the environmental conditions are within the pose measurement system's rated conditions and meet the user's requirements.

1.4 *Units*—The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as the standard. No other units of measurement are included in this standard.

1.5 *This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety, health, and environmental practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.*

1.6 *This international standard was developed in accordance with internationally recognized principles on standardization established in the Decision on Principles for the Development of International Standards, Guides and Recommendations issued by the World Trade Organization Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Committee.*

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2. Referenced Documents

2.1 *ASTM Standards*:²

E456 Terminology Relating to Quality and Statistics

E2544 Terminology for Three-Dimensional (3D) Imaging Systems

2.2 *ANSI/NCSL Standard*:³

ANSI/NCSL Z540.3:2006 Requirements for the Calibration of Measuring and Test Equipment

2.3 *ASME Standard*:⁴

ASME B89.4.19 Performance Evaluation of Laser-Based Spherical Coordinate Measurement Systems

2.4 *ISO/IEC Standards*:⁵

JCGM 100:2008 Evaluation of Measurement Data—Guide to the Expression of Uncertainty in Measurement (GUM)

JCGM 106:2012 Evaluation of measurement data – The role of measurement uncertainty in conformity assessment

JCGM 200:2012 International Vocabulary of Metrology—Basic and General Concepts and Associated Terms (VIM), 3rd edition

IEC 60050-300:2001 International Electrotechnical Vocabulary—Electrical and Electronic Measurements and Measuring Instruments

3. Terminology

3.1 *Definitions from Other Standards*:

3.1.1 *calibration, n*—operation that, under specified conditions, in a first step, establishes a relation between the quantity values with measurement uncertainties provided by measurement standards and corresponding indications with associated measurement uncertainties and, in a second step, uses this information to establish a relation for obtaining a measurement result from an indication. **JCGM 200:2012**

² For referenced ASTM standards, visit the ASTM website, www.astm.org, or contact ASTM Customer Service at service@astm.org. For *Annual Book of ASTM Standards* volume information, refer to the standard's Document Summary page on the ASTM website.

³ Available from American National Standards Institute (ANSI), 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10036, <http://www.ansi.org>.

⁴ Available from American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), ASME International Headquarters, Three Park Ave., New York, NY 10016-5990, <http://www.asme.org>.

⁵ Available from American National Standards Institute (ANSI), 25 W. 43rd St., 4th Floor, New York, NY 10036, <http://www.ansi.org>.

3.1.1.1 Discussion—

(1) A calibration may be expressed by a statement, calibration function, calibration diagram, calibration curve, or calibration table. In some cases, it may consist of an additive or multiplicative correction of the indication with associated measurement uncertainty.

(2) Calibration should not be confused with either adjustment of a measuring system, often mistakenly called “self-calibration,” or verification of calibration.

(3) Often, the first step alone in 3.1.1 is perceived as being calibration.

3.1.2 *maximum permissible measurement error; maximum permissible error; and limit of error; n*—extreme value of measurement error, with respect to a known reference quantity value, permitted by specifications or regulations for a given measurement, measuring instrument, or measuring system.

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3.1.2.1 Discussion—

(1) Usually, the terms “maximum permissible errors” or “limits of error” are used when there are two extreme values.

(2) The term “tolerance” should not be used to designate “maximum permissible error.”

3.1.3 *measurand, n*—quantity intended to be measured.

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3.1.3.1 Discussion—

(1) The specification of a measurand requires knowledge of the kind of quantity; description of the state of the phenomenon, body, or substance carrying the quantity, including any relevant component; and the chemical entities involved.

(2) In the second edition of the VIM and IEC 60050-300, the measurand is defined as the “quantity subject to measurement.”

(3) The measurement, including the measuring system and the conditions under which the measurement is carried out, might change the phenomenon, body, or substance such that the quantity being measured may differ from the measurand as defined. In this case, adequate correction is necessary.

(a) *Example 1*—The potential difference between the terminals of a battery may decrease when using a voltmeter with a significant internal conductance to perform the measurement. The open-circuit potential difference can be calculated from the internal resistances of the battery and the voltmeter.

(b) *Example 2*—The length of a steel rod in equilibrium with the ambient Celsius temperature of 23°C will be different from the length at the specified temperature of 20°C, which is the measurand. In this case, a correction is necessary.

(4) In chemistry, “analyte,” or the name of a substance or compound, are terms sometimes used for “measurand.” This usage is erroneous because these terms do not refer to quantities.

3.1.4 *measurement error; error of measurement, and error; n*—measured quantity value minus a reference quantity value.

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3.1.4.1 Discussion—

(1) The concept of “measurement error” can be used both:

(a) When there is a single reference quantity value to refer to, which occurs if a calibration is made by means of a

measurement standard with a measured quantity value having a negligible measurement uncertainty or if a conventional quantity value is given, in which case the measurement error is known, and

(b) If a measurand is supposed to be represented by a unique true quantity value or a set of true quantity values of negligible range, in which case the measurement error is not known.

(2) Measurement error should not be confused with production error or mistake.

3.1.5 *measurement sample and sample, n*—group of observations or test results, taken from a larger collection of observations or test results, that serves to provide information that may be used as a basis for making a decision concerning the larger collection.

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3.1.6 *measurement uncertainty, uncertainty of measurement, and uncertainty, n*—non-negative parameter characterizing the dispersion of the quantity values being attributed to a measurand based on the information used.

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3.1.6.1 Discussion—

(1) Measurement uncertainty includes components arising from systematic effects, such as components associated with corrections and the assigned quantity values of measurement standards, as well as the definitional uncertainty. Sometimes estimated systematic effects are not corrected for but, instead, associated measurement uncertainty components are incorporated.

(2) The parameter may be, for example, a standard deviation called standard measurement uncertainty (or a specified multiple of it) or the half width of an interval, having a stated coverage probability.

(3) Measurement uncertainty comprises, in general, many components. Some of these may be evaluated by Type A evaluation of measurement uncertainty from the statistical distribution of the quantity values from series of measurements and can be characterized by standard deviations. The other components, which may be evaluated by Type B evaluation of measurement uncertainty, can also be characterized by standard deviations evaluated from probability density functions based on experience or other information.

(4) In general, for a given set of information, it is understood that the measurement uncertainty is associated with a stated quantity value attributed to the measurand. A modification of this value results in a modification of the associated uncertainty.

3.1.7 *precision, n*—closeness of agreement between independent test results obtained under stipulated conditions.

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3.1.7.1 Discussion—

(1) Precision depends on random errors and does not relate to the true value or the specified value.

(2) The measure of precision is usually expressed in terms of imprecision and computed as a standard deviation of the test results. Less precision is reflected by a larger standard deviation.

(3) “Independent test results” means results obtained in a manner not influenced by any previous result on the same or similar test object. Quantitative measures of precision depend