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Requirements, Specification, and Interfaces for the RAON Control System

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Abstract

This document is the Rare Isotope Science Project at Institute for Basics Science Requirements, Specification, and Interfaces for the RAON Accelerator Control System. It shows all general requirements and specifications for the RAON contron system.

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1 Overview

The Control team has selected the Experimental Physics and Industrial Control System (EPICS) [1] as a main framework of the control system, because it is reliable, scalable, maintainable, low-cost system, and standard. The EPICS is an open-source, i.e. the source code is accessible, software that has various tools, libraries, and predefined applications developed by a world-wide user community and is used in large and small experimental physics projects such as particles accelerators, telescopes, and light sources since 1994. In addition, EPICS supports several hundred different modules with almost all bus types that produced by more than hundred manufacturers. One can find further information at http:///www.aps.anl.gov/epics/.

- The EPICS clients shall be Debian Linux Stable PCs. The current version is Debian 7 Wheezy [2].
- EPICS servers on PC hardware shall run Debian Linux Stable (or other version as approved by RAON Accelerator Control Team (RACT))
- EPICS servers on Versa Module Europa bus (VMEbus) hardware shall run VxWorks version 6.9 (or other version as approved by RACT)

2 EPICS Versions

- All EPICS software submitted by the Contractors, Collaborators, or any other third party shall be based on EPICS base version 3.14.12 (or later version as specified by RACT.
- Where additional EPICS modules are used, the versions shall be according to Table 1. Later versions may be specified by RACT.
- If a module is not explicitly specified in Table 1, the default version of this module used shall be the version provided in the synApps packages version 5.7. One can see the further information at http://www.aps.anl.gov/bcda/synApps/.

Table 1 EPICS Module Versions

Name	Version	comments
asyn	R4-24	http://www.aps.anl.gov/epics/modules/soft/asyn/
stream	2-6	http://epics.web.psi.ch/software/streamdevice/
ether_ip	2-26	http://sourceforge.net/projects/epics/files/ether_ip/

Table 1 – *Continued on next page*

Name	Version	comments
seq	2.1.7	http://www-csr.bessy.de/control/SoftDist/sequencer
areaDetector	R2-1	http://cars9.uchicago.edu/software/epics/areaDetector.html
motor	R6-8	http://www.aps.anl.gov/bcda/synApps/motor/

3 EPICS Support

Where the contract involves the development of an EPICS interface to the equipment and any devices, the following itemized list shall apply.

3.1 Input Output Controller (IOC) platform

- The standard IOC hardware platform is an 1U rack mountable server.
- All IOC hardware shall be installed into the standard 19-in. rack by the Contractor.
- The IOC shall be included in the system performance tests at the Supplier's factory.

3.2 Database development

- The Contractor shall provide EPICS databases with layout information compatible with the Visual Database Configuration Tool (VisualDCT) EPICS database development tool [3].

3.3 Device support

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