

EPC GLOBAL ARCHITECTURE IMPLEMENTATION FOR RETAIL INVENTORY MANAGEMENT

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. Background and Motivation•
- 1.2. Scope
- 1.3. Outline

1. Basic principles of RFID

- 1.1. History of RFID
- 1.2. RFID System
- 1.3. Tag
 - Passive, Active, Semi-active; Near-field (Inductive coupling), Far-field (Backscatter coupling)
- 1.4. Antenna
 - Overview and Information on UHF RFID Antennas and Considerations
- 1.5. Reader
- 1.6. Software and Communication Infrastructure
- 1.7. Technologies
 - LF, HF, UHF, Microwave; Material types properties (lucent, absorbent, opaque)
- 1.8. Advantages and Limitations

2. GS1 EPCglobal Architecture Framework

- 2.1. Overview
 - Activities, Standards, Goals
- 2.2. Global Standardization
 - Importance, Efforts•, Current Problems•
- 2.3. GS1 and EPCglobal•
 - History, Origins, Context
- 2.4. Foundations and Technical Principles
 - EPC Uniqueness, Identifiers, Decentralized Implementation, Issuing Organization, ...
- 2.5. Dissertation Context
 - What is relevant to the dissertation from the architecture framework, Roles, Interfaces and Standards used and why other things were left out, Outline of what will explained next
- 2.6. Tag Data Standard (TDS)
 - C1G2 and ISO/IEC18000-6 Type C, Tag memory, EPC Structure, coding schemes and representations, GS1 keys relation, encoding of User memory and TID. Talk about Tag Data Translation (TDT). EPC interoperability with barcode.
- 2.7. Identification Keys in Transport and Logistics
- 2.8. Filtering & Collection
- 2.9. ALE
- 2.10. EPCIS Capture Application
- 2.11. EPCIS Capture and Query Interfaces
- 2.12. EPCIS Repository
- 2.13. Core Business Vocabulary
- 2.14. Practical Context
 - Nespresso supply-chain example and vision in the context of the EPCglobal framework, how it would work and advantages

3. Requirements and Development Options

3.1. System Requirements

3.2. Manufacturers and development solutions

Comparative analysis

3.3. Our choice

Justification; bit of detail.

4. System Architecture and Development

4.1. Overall architecture

4.2. Hello World

UHF Evaluation: Programs developed to evaluate the system, serialize and deserialize EPCs, Writing valid EPCs

4.3. Cloud and Modern Service Development

Explain Linux containers, Docker and modern service development and deployment

4.4. RFID Serialization Plan

4.5. Identification Keys

4.6. Reader

4.7. Middleware

4.8. Capture application

4.9. EPCIS repository

4.10. Management application

5. Test and evaluation

5.1. Laboratory tests

Put and take

5.2. Range of operation tests

5.3. Operational tests

Real case

6. Conclusion and Future Work

6.1. Retell the story from motivation to results

6.2. Main achievements

6.3. Future Work