Evolution of Human Factors standards - challenges for robotics and automation

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- Describe ISO 9241 TR *Ergonomics of human-system interaction Part 810: Human-system issues of robotic, intelligent and autonomous systems*
- Discuss issues for maritime control/automation based on findings from discussions within ISO TC159 so far.

The project

- Origin
- Scope
- Team & backgrounds
- Method
- Format

Dimensions

Scale of system

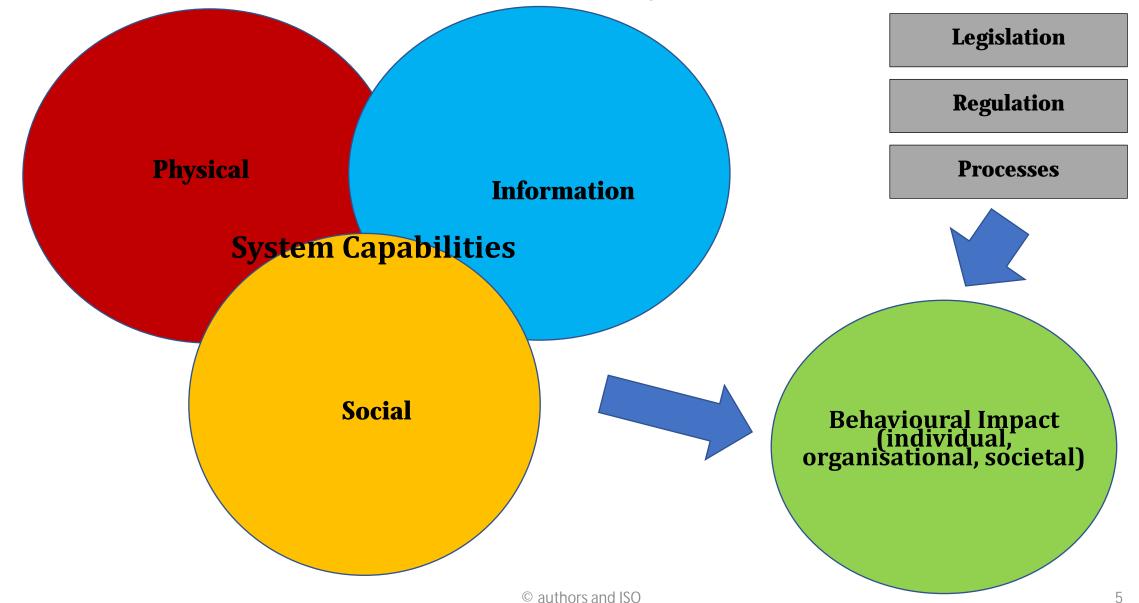
society and AI/ML large-scale/infrastructure agents in teams human supervision adaptive dialogues \sim concept — development — introduction — operation manageable Criticalit urgent © authors and ISO

Trend is for more connected, complex, probabilistic, social and human-augmentation

Location on these axes determines use/user issues/ problems

Stage in lifecycle

Peoples' interaction with RIA system



Paradigms/models for human - RIA system relationship

- Augmentation of human capability
- Replacement of function/job
- Remoting control from a distance
- Teaming working together for common goal
- Symbiosis working together for mutual benefit
- Parasitic human is source of data
- Influence influencing human behaviour
- Watched over by machines of loving grace governance

Gap – paradigms relating to organisational, social/cultural, societal relationship with RIA system

Risks of not addressing ergonomics in RIA systems include:

- negative user experience (both users and those affected) impact beyond performance
- compromised safety through error, delay and violations
- negative social impacts
- dysfunctional workplace
- failure to realise anticipated benefits
- rejection of RIA systems

Mitigation through: human enhancement, seamless integration with social context, and particular care to management of change.

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11 Changes in ergonomics standards required to better address RIA system technology

Annex A Human-RIA system issues

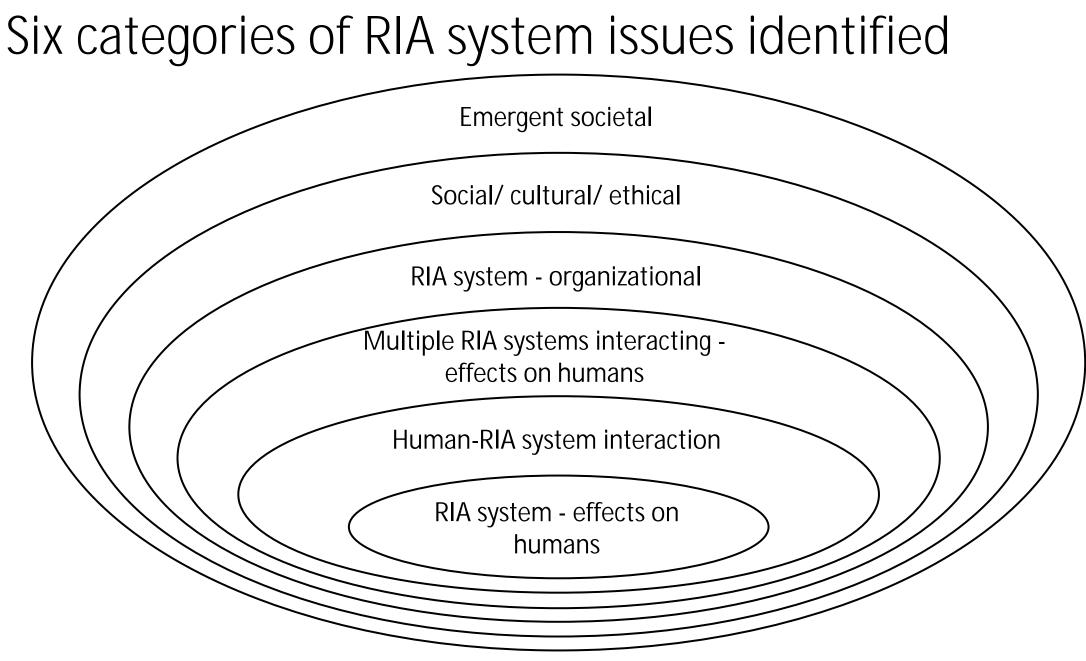
Annex B Examples/case studies of ergonomics issues for RIA systems

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Bibliography



Relevant Ergonomics standards produced by TC159

- Principles of ergonomics (ISO 26800, 27500)
- Human-centred design process (ISO 9241-210, 220, 18152)
- Interaction and interface (ISO 9241-110, 112, 13, 129, 154)
- Accessibility (ISO 9241-171, ISO/IEC 29136, ISO 9241-129, ISO 9241-971, ISO/TR 22411)
- Workspace and workload (ISO 6385, 9241-2, 10075)
- Context and environment (9241-11, 11064, thermal/physical environment)

Safe system behaviours

| Issue category | Type of safety set | Location of requirement | HCQ emphasis/ development |
|--|--|---|--|
| RIA system – effects on humans | Effects on individual humans that are to be prevented | Regulation (part of rights and occupational health and safety) | User experience |
| Human-RIA system interaction | Situations to be prevented, acceptable latency, authority to decide/override | Performance standard, possibly mandated (similar to competence) | Usability, accessibility, avoidance of harm |
| RIA systems interacting – effects on humans | Degree of transparency, ability to override | Regulation, business practices, engineering standards, contract | Avoidance of harm |
| RIA system – organizational | Process requirements, governance, effect on stakeholders, learning behaviours | Industry sector codes, and standards of practice, possibly mandated | All components as objectives plus context coverage |
| Social/ cultural/ ethical | Fairness, trust, offence, safeguarding, privacy | Regulation or convention, possibly faith ruling, probably tort | Extension of user experience to address community experience Extension of harm to address cultural issues |
| Emergent societal | Loss of control, accountability | International conventions and regulations | Application of HCQ at societal level |

Conclusions - Physical/Environment

- Controlling spaces in vehicles, buildings, cities. What system thinks state of user is. Wearable tech. Determining threat/capability.
- Vehicle and domestic environments. Robots in public spaces.
- Working environment. Social as the core area. Customer and services perspectives as well as user.
- Context and its components. Does it become context of co-existence?
- Discuss with reference to control and advanced automation and what this might mean for safety authorities (regulators, assessors, industry associations)

Conclusions - Cognitive

- Workload in control tasks. Mental & organisational principles for worksystems.
- Response & behaviour data (incl. physical and recovery) for work with cobots.
- RIA system training & change management.
- Use of AI in gamification and training.
- Discuss with reference to control and advanced automation and what this might mean for safety authorities (regulators, assessors, industry associations)

Conclusions - Social

- Evolution from automatic systems to intelligent agents.
- Extend organizational human-centredness guidelines for jobs and work with RIA systems.
- Suitable models for properties such as trust in relation to social, cultural and ethical issues.
- Add social benefit to human-centred quality.
- Discuss with reference to control and advanced automation and what this might mean for safety authorities (regulators, assessors, industry associations)

Conclusions - Design/process

- Take account of non-users affected by RIA systems.
- Human-centred design more dynamic to take account of agents that learn.
- Definition of system and boundary(ies). Interaction principles vs. forms of automation.
- Who is user of the technology? What do they do now?
- Discuss with reference to control and advanced automation and what this might mean for safety authorities (regulators, assessors, industry associations)