

FRAM, STAMP, and EAST: case study of a collaborative robot

Systemic methods in complex and digitalized manufacturing series

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Brief summary of content:

This webinar is the second part of the Webinar Series: Systemic Methods in Complex and Digitalized Manufacturing, showcasing applied and analytical modeling research using FRAM and STAMP-STPA. The webinar is presented by members of the IEA Resilience Engineering Committee. The series focuses on applications in complex and digitalized manufacturing environments, including scenarios with complex manual work, digital gloves, smart glasses, and cobots.

In particular, the intervention introduces systems-thinking methods to analyze a socio-technical perspective on cobot safety, which also provides insights for other forms of human-machine interactions. The socio-technical dimension is expected to overcome an overly narrow interpretation of safety issues, anticipating the challenges ahead in ever more complex cobot applications. Three systemic safety analysis approaches are presented and tested with a demonstrator case study concerning their feasibility for cobot applications: System-Theoretic Accident Model and Processes (STAMP); Functional Resonance Analysis Method (FRAM); and Event Analysis of Systemic Teamwork (EAST). These methods reveal the distributed and emergent result from joint actions and overcoming the reductionist view from individual failures or single agent responsibilities.

Early results:

Adriaensen, A., Costantino, F., di Gravio, G., & Patriarca, R. 2021 Teaming with industrial cobots: A socio-technical perspective on safety analysis. *Human Factors and Ergonomics In Manufacturing*, 1-26–1–26. <https://doi.org/10.1002/hfm.20939>

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