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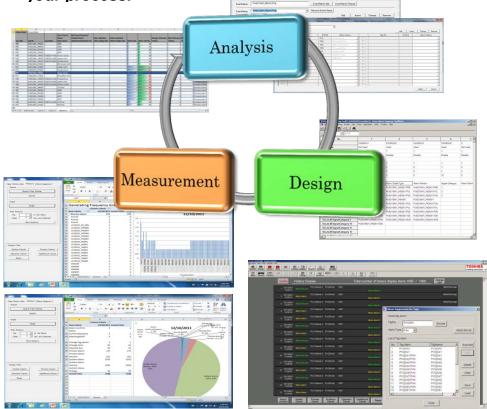
Alarm Management Package

Using an alarm management strategy to improve safety and efficiency in your plant operation

The Alarm Management Package supports analysis of alarms using the historical data from the Operator Interface Stations (OIS).

Operators become confused by mass alarm states and may overlook important alarms and make disastrous operational mistakes. Seeking to avoid such a situation by controlling their alarm loads, our OIS automatically suppresses nuisance alarms in accordance with your setting.

The Alarm Management Package provides a mechanism to develop an effective alarm management strategy for your process.









Industrial background

The role of an alarm is to transmit a change of a plant operation state to operators and assist their plant operational activities. On the other hand, a high volume of alarms (alarm flood) generated by failure of plant equipment etc. can mask the actual plant situation. From this point of view, the guidelines and standards of alarm management in process industries, such as EEMUA No.191 (Note1) and ISA 18.2 (Note2), have been published and attention has been drawn to the necessity for proper alarm management under all plant conditions.



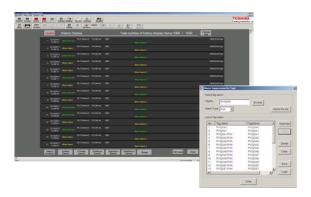
Target and functions

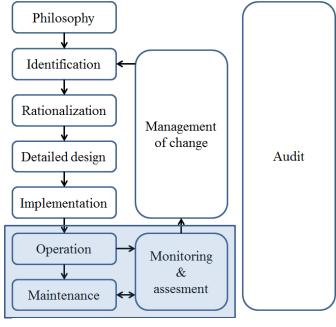
Shown on the right is the ISA 18.2 alarm management lifecycle, which illustrates circularity of each process. The Alarm Management Package can be used to process the plant operation part shown shaded in the diagram, and helps operators monitor alarms efficiently and effectively on the OIS-DS.

By serving as an important part of alarm management lifecycle, our Alarm Management Package contributes to the implementation of your alarm management strategy.

•Suppression by your design

When the plant status is changed such as during startup or shutdown, the thresholds of alarms should change correspondingly. Nuisance alarms often occur in this transition, causing confusion for the operators. To help them catch truly important alarms, the OIS-DS suppression function suppresses nuisance alarms based on your settings of the event conditions.





Alarm management lifecycle and the target of Alarm Management Package (shaded)

Analysis support

The software also pin points the relationship among alarms to facilitate your reduction of the total alarms, clarifying the view of the actual plant situation. This Package supports your analysis on Microsoft® Office Excel®.



Note1; EEMUA (Engineering Equipment Materials Users' Association) Publication No. 191, 2nd Edition (2007) Note2; ANSI/ISA ISA18.00.02-2009 (2009)



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