First Test Report

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Title	RFID Read Test for Container Management						
Date	Thursday and Friday, October 11 and 12, 2007						
Location	Head office of DENSO CORPORATION						

1. Experiment Purpose

Checks the reality of container management using RFID.

2. Conclusion

When reading 100 containers pasted with UHF tags,

- (1) We verified that laying antennas on each side enables 100% of reading and moving at about 2km/h. (It takes about 5 sec. to read 100 tags)
- (2) When moving rate is about 4 km/h, 1 to 3 tags remained unread.

3. Experiment Equipments

(1) Container

Sanko Sanbox #5A-2 (322 x 198 x 100 mm)

(2) Tag

Alien ALL-9440-02 (98 x 11 mm)

(3) Reader/Writer

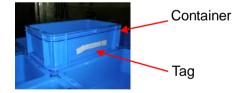
DENSO WAVE UR-400 (Software: Console 802_3)

- * Transmit antenna: UR-A410 (linearly polarized wave)
- * Receive antenna: UR-A400 (circularly polarized wave)



4. Experiment Method

- (1) Tag Pasting Position
- Pastes a tag on the container's longitudinal side (The tag direction coincides with the antenna polarized wave plane)



(2) Container Stack Method

(1) $3 \times 3 \times 11$ tiers + 1 = 100

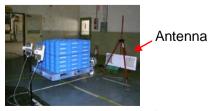


Tag: Parallel to antenna

(2) 5 x 3 x 6 tiers + 10 = 100

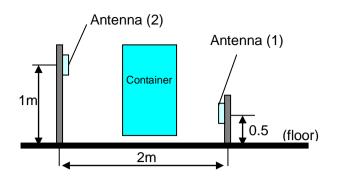


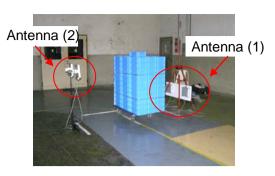
[Tag: Parallel to antenna]



[Tag: Vertical to antenna]

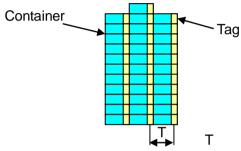
(3) Antenna Layout





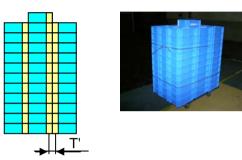
(4) Tag Direction

(1) Same Direction



Distance between tags: T = 198 mm

(2) Face-to-Face (Opposed)



Distance between tags: T' = 32 mm

4. Results

No	Conditions				Read number/total [= Reading rate/%] (Read time**)						
	Container	Tag	Antenna	Moving rate	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
	stack	direction									
1 *	(1)	(1) same	both	about 2km/h	100	100	100				
2	3x3x11+1		sides	about 4km/h	99	97	100	98	99	99	100
3				about 6km/h	93						
4		(2)		about 2km/h	100	100					
		opposed									
5 *		(1) same	either	about 4km/h	96	97	96				
			side (1)								
6 *	(2)	(1) same	both	about 2km/h	100	100	100				
	5x3x6+10	(parallel to	sides			(7.2s)	(4.3s)				
7		antenna)		about 4km/h	99	98	100	99	99	100	98
*					(4.5s)	(4.8s)		(4.8s)	(4.4s)	(4.5s)	
8				about 8km/h	87						
9		(1) same		about 2km/h	100	100					
		(vertical to			(4.1s)	(7.8s)					
		antenna)									

(*: Video, **Read time: The time starts 0.5m prior to antenna, and after passed, continues until tag reading ends)

5. Consideration

When the tag moving rate is about 2km/h, we verified that 100% of reading of 100 tags is enabled by laying antennas on both sides. Also, when the distance between tags is shortened by 32mm, or even when a container is stacked so that a tag is vertical to the antenna plane, we verified that 100% of reading is enabled with the above condition without any impact on reading.

However, when the tag moving rate becomes about 4km/h, we verified that unread tags emerged and the reading rate became 97 to 99% with the above condition.

Note that in order to read stably even during moving quickly, it is estimated that such ingenuities are effective as to sum up the data obtained by two reader/writers by installing two sets of reader/writers toward the tag moving direction and getting through a container continuously.