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IEC 61300-3-1	-	Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components - Basic test and measurement procedures - Part 3-1: Examinations and measurements - Visual examination	EN 61300-3-1	-
IEC 61300-3-2	-	Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components - Basic test and measurement procedures - Part 3-2: Examinations and measurements - Polarization dependent loss in a single-mode fibre optic device	EN 61300-3-2	-
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## FIBRE OPTIC INTERCONNECTING DEVICES AND PASSIVE COMPONENTS – BASIC TEST AND MEASUREMENT PROCEDURES –

#### Part 3-4: Examinations and measurements – Attenuation

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61300 describes the various methods available to measure the attenuation of optical components. It is not, however, applicable to dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) components, for which IEC 61300-3-29 should be used.

#### 2 Normative references

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IEC 61300-3-2, Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-2: Examinations and measurements – Polarization dependent loss in a single-mode fibre optic device

IEC/TR 62316, Guidance for the interpretation of OTDR backscattering traces

#### 3 General description

#### 3.1 General

Attenuation is intended to give a value for the decrease of useful power, expressed in decibels, resulting from the insertion of a device under test (DUT), within a length of optical fibre cable. The term insertion loss is sometimes used in place of attenuation.

The DUT may have more than two optical ports. However, since an attenuation measurement is made across only two ports, the DUTs in this standard shall be described as having two ports. Eight different DUT configurations are described. The differences between these configurations are primarily in the terminations of the optical ports. Terminations may consist of bare fibre, a connector plug, or a receptacle.

The reference method for measuring attenuation is with an optical power meter. Optical time domain reflectometry (OTDR) measurements are presented as an alternative method. Three variations in the measurement of attenuation with a power meter are presented. The reference