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INTRODUCTION

A variety of microwave/millimeter-wave-photonic devices are useful for wireless communication and broadcasting systems. An optical modulator is an interface which converts an electronic signal to an optical signal. In the field of optical fibre communication systems, the IEC 62007 series was published in 1999.

Microwave/millimeter-wave RoF systems are comprised mainly of two parts: one is RF to photonic converter (E/O), and the other is photonic to RF converter (O/E). Radio waves are converted into an optical signal at E/O. This signal is transferred through the optical fibre and then the radio waves are regenerated at O/E.

A variety of photonic devices that carry microwave and millimeter-wave signals as subcarrier frequencies are used for high-frequency RoF systems. In particular, the Mach-Zehnder optical modulator (MZM) plays an important role to convert electronic (high-frequency above millimeter-wave) signal to optical signal. In high-frequency RoF systems, specifications of drive voltages, chirp characteristics, inter-modulation distortion of the modulators have been the important technical parameters. This document is prepared to provide the measurement method of MZMs to the industry for evaluating electro-optic material of the modulators to be used in high-frequency RoF systems. This document defines the measurement methods of a half-wavelength voltage and a chirp parameter, which have a significant impact on the performance of RoF systems. Additionally, these methods are also used for the estimation of the intermodulation distortions and transmission performances.

The half-wavelength voltage and the chirp parameter can be measured at the same time using the methods defined in this document. The nonlinear distortion characteristics are also important for the performance of the systems. The intermodulation distortion of the MZM is calculated from the driving voltage and the half-wavelength voltage. The detailed explanations and calculation method of intermodulation distortions from the normalized optical modulation index (NOMI) are described in IEC PAS 62593:2008[1]¹, Annex B.

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