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## 1 Scope

This part of EN 50289 details the test methods to determine characteristic impedance, input impedance and return loss of cables used in analogue and digital communication systems.

It is to be read in conjunction with EN 50289-1-1, which contains essential provisions for its application.

## 2 Normative references

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EN 50289-1-1:2001, *Communication cables - Specifications for test methods - Part 1-1: Electrical test methods - General requirements*

EN 50289-1-5:2001, *Communication cables - Specifications for test methods - Part 1-5: Electrical test methods - Capacitance*

EN 50289-1-7:2001, *Communication cables - Specifications for test methods - Part 1-7: Electrical test methods - Velocity of propagation*

EN 50290-1-2, *Communication cables - Part 1-2: Definitions*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in EN 50290-1-2 and the following apply.

### 3.1

#### characteristic impedance

$Z_c$

(wave) impedance at the input of a homogeneous line of infinite length. The characteristic impedance  $Z_c$  of a cable is defined as the quotient of a voltage and current wave which are propagating in the same direction, either forwards or backwards.

$$Z_c = \frac{u_f}{i_f} = \frac{u_r}{i_r} \quad (1)$$

where

$Z_c$  is characteristic impedance;

$u_{f,r}$  is voltage wave propagating in forward respectively reverse direction;

$i_{f,r}$  is current wave propagating in forward respectively reverse direction.