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- Part 1-5: *Electrical test methods — Capacitance*;
- Part 1-6: *Electrical test methods — Electromagnetic performance*;
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- Part 1-8: *Electrical test methods — Attenuation*;
- Part 1-9: *Electrical test methods — Unbalance attenuation (longitudinal conversion loss, longitudinal conversion transfer loss)*;
- Part 1-10: *Electrical test methods — Crosstalk*;
- Part 1-11: *Electrical test methods — Characteristic impedance, input impedance, return loss*;
- Part 1-12: *Electrical test methods — Inductance*;
- Part 1-13: *Electrical test methods — Coupling attenuation or screening attenuation of patch cords / coaxial cable assemblies / pre-connectorised cables*;
- Part 1-14: *Electrical test methods — Coupling attenuation or screening attenuation of connecting hardware*;
- Part 1-15: *Electromagnetic performance — Coupling attenuation of links and channels (Laboratory conditions)*;
- Part 1-16: *Electromagnetic performance — Coupling attenuation of cable assemblies (Field conditions)*;
- Part 1-17: *Electrical test methods — Exogenous Crosstalk ExNEXT and ExFEXT*.

1 Scope

This European Standard details the test methods to determine attenuation of finished cables used in analogue and digital communication systems.

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

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

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

EN 50289-1-11, *Communication cables - Specifications for test methods - Part 1-11: Electrical test methods - Characteristic impedance, input impedance, return loss*

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 50289-1-1 and EN 50290-1-2 and the following apply.

3.1

cable attenuation

decrease in magnitude of power of a signal that propagates along the cable

3.2

insertion loss (*IL*) of a network (e.g. cable or cable assembly)

ratio of power P_1 delivered to a specified load in a transmission system, before insertion of the given network, to the power P_2 delivered to the same load after insertion of the network:

$$IL = 10 \cdot \log \left(\frac{P_1}{P_2} \right) \text{ (dB)} \quad (1)$$

Note 1 to entry: The insertion loss of a network depends on the network itself as well as the transmission system in which it is inserted (including the load). The insertion loss is generally expressed in decibels.

Note 2 to entry: In a transmission system where the load and source impedances are equal, the insertion loss can be expressed by the scattering parameter S_{21} :

$$IL = -20 \cdot \log \left(|S_{21}| \right) \text{ (dB)} \quad (2)$$

Note 3 to entry: For a cable which is matched to the transmission system in which it is inserted, the insertion loss is equivalent to the cable attenuation.

Note 4 to entry: Further information on definitions of attenuation can be found in IEC/TR 62152.