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## 1 Scope

This Part 1-11 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 Part 1-1 of EN 50289-1-1, which contains essential provisions for its application.

## 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

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| EN 50289-1-1               | 2001 | Communication cables - Specifications for test methods - Part 1-1: Electrical test methods - General requirements    |
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| EN 50290-1-2 <sup>1)</sup> |      | Communication cables - Part 1-2: Definitions   |

## 3 Definitions

For the purpose of this European Standard, the definitions of EN 50290-1-2 apply in addition to the following ones.

### 3.1

#### characteristic impedance ( $Z_c$ )

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. In theory for homogeneous cables with no structural variations the characteristic impedance could be measured directly as the quotient of voltage and current at the cable ends

$$Z_c = \frac{U_f}{i_f} = \frac{U_r}{i_r} \quad (1)$$

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<sup>1)</sup> At draft stage.