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Introduction

This European Standard is based on the UIC Code 519 OR submitted to CEN by the International Union of Railways (UIC) and which has been revised by CEN/TC 256/WG 10 "Vehicle/Track Interaction".

The contact geometry is fundamental to explain the dynamic running behaviour of a railway vehicle. Among the parameters by which the dynamic behaviour of a rail vehicle is characterised, the conicity plays an essential role since it allows the satisfactory appreciation of the wheel-rail contact on tangent track and on very large-radius curves (when operated with low cant deficiencies). A wheelset with conical profiles describes a waveform while running on a track. Klingel's theory states that the wavelength depends on the cone angle of the wheel profile and the distance between contact patches.

For practical wheel profiles with changing cone angles along the profile it is possible to evaluate the wavelength of the wheelsets movement by integration of the function of rolling radius difference depending on the lateral movement of the wheelset on the track. Equivalent conicity is evaluated by comparison of this wavelength with the one evaluated according to Klingel's theory.

It is necessary to have a clear procedure for the evaluation of equivalent conicity, which is used in European and national standards and documents (legal and technical).

The results need to be consistent. However it is possible to use different evaluation procedures to those given in this European Standard, provided that the procedure used leads to the determination of an equivalent conicity in accordance with the calculation results using reference profiles specified in Annex E.

To confirm whether an alternative evaluation procedure can achieve the results specified in this European Standard, three aspects of the process need to be evaluated in a benchmark process given in this European Standard and outlined below in Steps 1, 2 and 3:

In Step 1, tables of reference profiles in Annex D are applied to the interpolation and calculation algorithm which allows the location of the contact points in order to calculate the rolling radius difference as a function of the lateral position of the wheelset. Starting from this function the equivalent conicity is calculated as a function of the amplitude of the oscillation. A comparison of the achieved results with the reference results in Annex E and a defined field of allowed tolerances in Annex F determine the acceptance or rejection of the assessed evaluation procedure (see Figure 1).

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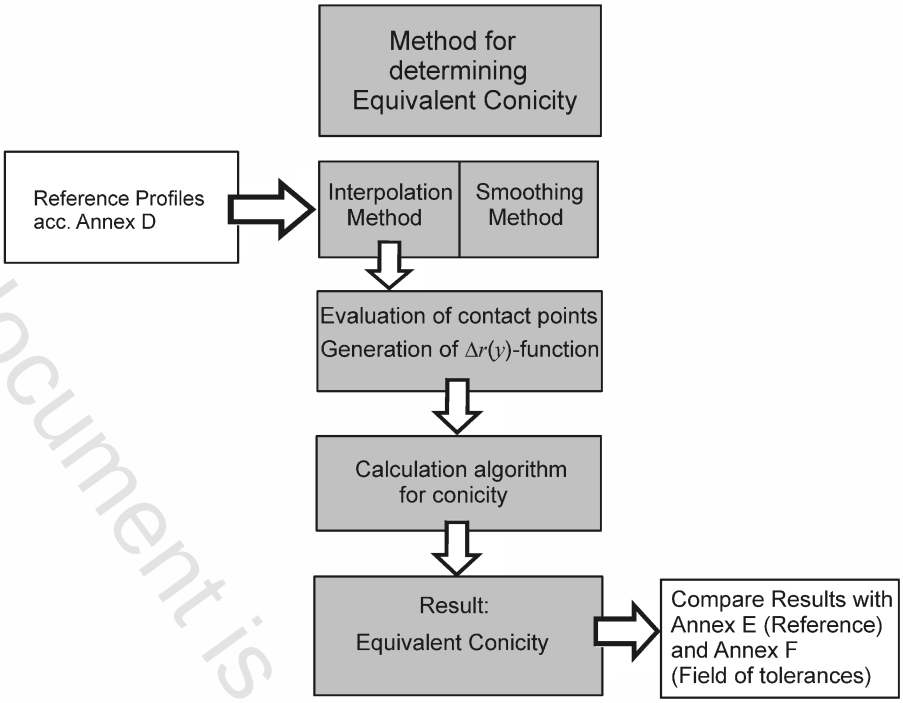

Figure 1 — Benchmark process, Step 1

In Step 2, random errors given in Annex G are added to the reference profiles in Annex D and are applied to the smoothing and interpolation algorithm. A comparison of the achieved results with the reference results including the field of tolerances in Annex F allows the assessment of the evaluation procedure (see Figure 2).

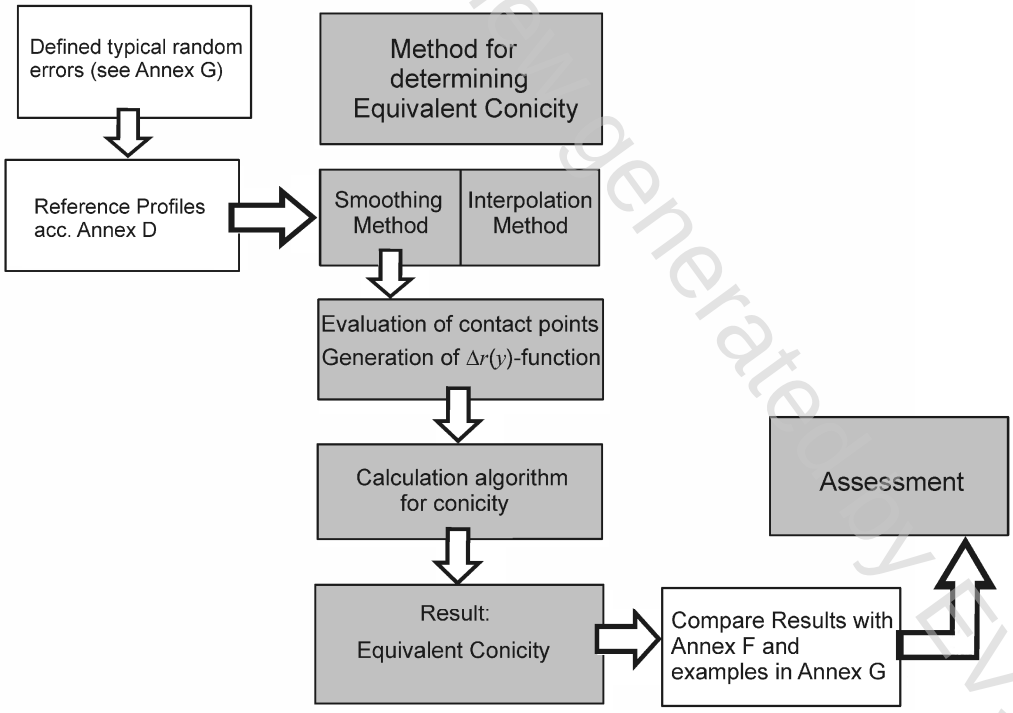

Figure 2 — Benchmark process, Step 2

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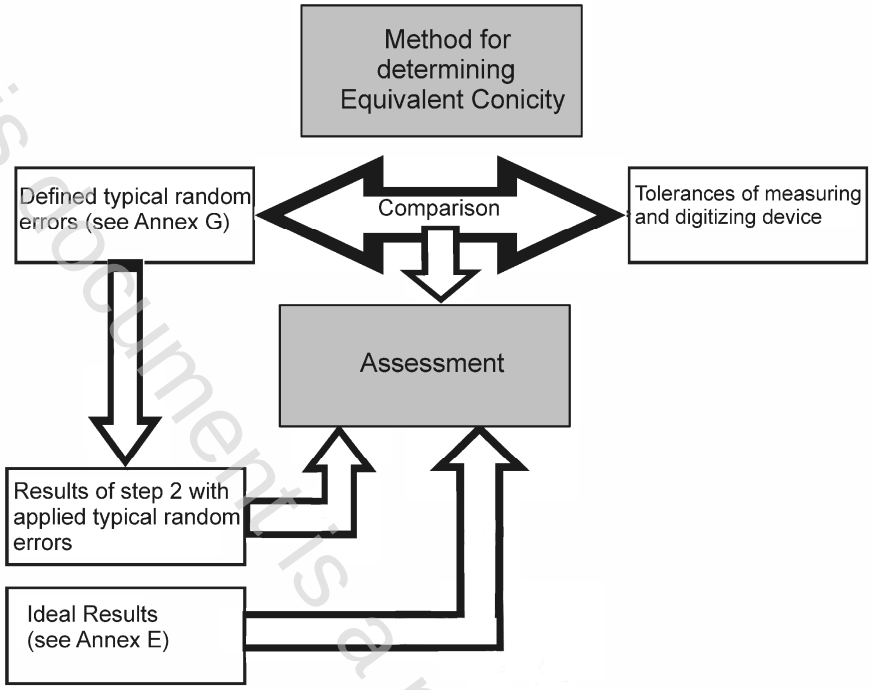

Figure 3 — Benchmark process, Step 3

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1 Scope

This European Standard establishes an evaluation procedure for determining equivalent conicity. A benchmark calculation is specified to achieve comparable results on a consistent basis for the equivalent conicity, which may be calculated by different methods not given in this European Standard. This European Standard also proposes possible calculation methods. Informative examples of the use of the Klingel formula (see Annex B) and linear regression of the Δr-function (see Annex C) are included in this European Standard.

This European Standard includes reference profiles, profile combinations, tolerances and reference results with tolerance limits, which allow the user to assess the acceptability of a measuring and calculation system including random- and grid- errors of the measuring system. It sets down the principles of calculation that need to be followed but does not impose any particular numerical calculation method.

This European Standard does not define limits for the equivalent conicity and gives no tolerances for the rail profile and the wheel profile to achieve acceptable results for the conicity.

For purposes outside the scope of this European Standard (e.g. simulation of vehicle behaviour) it can be useful or necessary to use more sophisticated theories. These methods are not within the scope of this European Standard.

For the application of this European Standard some general recommendations are given in Annex I.

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