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- b) addition of a new annex as mathematical basis.

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## INTRODUCTION

In the research and production environments, there exists a range of test methods for characterizing the geometry of optical fibres. Furthermore, each test method may determine one or more of the many parameters required for complete geometrical characterization. IEC 61745 describes the calibration of test sets that perform end-face image analysis, also known as "near-field" or "grey-scale" analysis. The principles, however, may be applied to test sets of a different type.

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# END-FACE IMAGE ANALYSIS PROCEDURE FOR THE CALIBRATION OF OPTICAL FIBRE GEOMETRY TEST SETS

## 1 Scope

This document describes the calibration of test sets that perform end-face image analysis, also known as "near-field" or "grey-scale" analysis. The principles, however, can be applied to test sets of a different type.

The procedures outlined are performed by calibration laboratories and by the manufacturers or users of geometry test sets, for the purpose of calibrating geometry test sets and for evaluating the uncertainties in measurements made on calibrated test sets. The calibration of fibre coating or cable measurement test sets is not covered by this document.

## 2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

## 3 Terms and definitions

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### 3.1

#### **accredited calibration laboratory**

calibration laboratory authorized by an appropriate national organization to issue calibration certificates that demonstrates traceability to national standards

### 3.2

#### **artefact**

object that is measured on or used to calibrate a geometry test set

EXAMPLE An optical fibre and a chromium-on-glass pattern are examples of artefacts.

### 3.3

#### **calibration**

set of operations that establish, under specified conditions, the relationship between the values of quantities indicated by a measuring instrument and the corresponding values realized by standards

Note 1 to entry: The results of a calibration permit either the assignment of measurand values to the indications or the determination of corrections with respect to the indications.

Note 2 to entry: A calibration may also determine other metrological properties such as the effects of influence quantities.

Note 3 to entry: The result of a calibration may be recorded in a document, called a "calibration certificate" or a "calibration report".