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# FIBRE OPTIC INTERCONNECTING DEVICES AND PASSIVE COMPONENTS – BASIC TEST AND MEASUREMENT PROCEDURES –

## Part 3-24: Examinations and measurements – Keying accuracy of optical connectors for polarization maintaining fibre

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61300 provides a method to measure the keying accuracy of a polarization maintaining fibre connector.

### 2 General description

Optical fibre connectors for polarization maintaining fibre (PMF) shall align the birefringence axes of the two mating fibres. The keying accuracy of PM connector plugs should be specified to realize PMF connection with high extinction ratio propagation (see annex A). The extinction ratio of PMF itself is generally over 40 dB for fibres several metres in length.

The extinction ratio achieved with the PMF connectors is lower than that due to the PM fibre alone because of the following reasons:

- a) in the termination: after the PM fibre has been terminated into the ferrule, some residual stress causes the extinction ratio to decrease;
- b) angular misalignment of the axes of birefringence: the angular misalignment of the polarization axes at the connection point affects the extinction ratio.

To evaluate the influence of the second factor of the misalignment angle of the polarization axes at the connection point, measurement of the keying accuracy and the extinction ratio is very important (see annex B).

### 3 Apparatus

The apparatus and arrangement necessary to make this measurement is shown in Figure 1. The material needed consists of the following:

- a) an optical source S with known characteristics (wavelength, spectral width, etc.) and a compatible detector D. A Fabry-Perot laser or low-coherence source (for example SLD) is suitable for this measurement;
- b) an in-line polarization assembly including a polarizer P1, a quarter-wave retardation plate and a polarizer P2 in an expanded beam system formed by two lenses L1 and L2. The quarter-wave plate converts the state of polarization SOP from linear to circular and the polarizer converts the SOP from circular to linear. With this combination of elements, linearly polarized light with the same optical power will be produced regardless of the plane of polarization.

NOTE In the case of an unpolarized light source such as an LED, P1 and the quarter wave retardation plate are not necessary.