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Polarization mode dispersion (PMD) is a statistical parameter. The reproducibility of measurements depends on the particular method, but is limited also by the PMD level of the link and the accessible wavelength range. Gisin [1]¹ derived a theoretical limit to this reproducibility independent of the measurement method by assuming ideal measurement conditions.

Originally, the principles of IEC 61280-4-4:2006 were closely aligned with those of IEC 60793-1-48:2003 on optical fibre and optical fibre cable test method, which focuses on aspects related to the measurement of factory lengths. However, IEC 60793-1-48:2007 removed some of the test methods that are no longer of interest to fibre and cable manufacturers. These have been retained as informative Annexes D, E, and F in this document, and a new test method G has been added.

This document also updates test methods A, B and C and adds more information applicable to testing of installed cabling.

- NOTE 1 Test methods for factory lengths of optical fibres and optical fibre cables are given in IEC 60793-1-48.
- NOTE 2 Test methods for optical amplifiers (OAs) are given in IEC 61290-11-1 and IEC 61290-11-2.
- NOTE 3 Test methods for passive optical components are given in IEC 61300-3-32.
- NOTE 4 Guidelines for the calculation of PMD for links that include components such as dispersion compensators or optical amplifiers are given in LEC TR 61282-3. DARD PRRVIR
- NOTE 5 Further general guidance on PMD measurements and background theory is contained in IEC TR 61282-9.

¹ Figures in square brackets refer to the Bibliography.