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- a) reorganisation of clauses and annexes;
- b) extension of frequency range to 2,4 GHz;
- c) application of a virtual balun respectively balunless test procedure with multiport VNA.

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## METALLIC COMMUNICATION CABLE TEST METHODS –

### Part 4-5: Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Screening or coupling attenuation – Absorbing clamp method

#### 1 Scope

The absorbing clamp method is suitable to determine the screening- or the coupling-attenuation of metallic communication cables in the frequency range of 30 MHz to 1 000 MHz (2 400 MHz), depending on the performance of the clamp. It is an alternative method to the triaxial method of IEC 62153-4-4 or IEC 62153-4-9. Due to the undefined outer circuit of this absorbing clamp method, the test results obtained at different places and laboratories could vary by at least  $\pm 6$  dB.

#### 2 Normative references

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IEC TS 62153-4-1, *Metallic communication cable test methods – Part 4-1: Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Introduction to electromagnetic screening measurements*

CISPR 16-1-3:2004, *Specification for radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus and methods – Part 1-3: Radio disturbance and immunity measuring apparatus – Ancillary equipment – Disturbance power*

ITU-T G.117:1996, *Transmission aspects of unbalance about earth*

ITU-T O.9:1999, *Measuring arrangements to assess the degree of unbalance about earth*

#### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60050-726 and IEC TS 62153-4-1 and the following apply.

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- IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>
- ISO Online browsing platform: available at <http://www.iso.org/obp>

##### 3.1

##### **quasi-coaxial cable**

cable construction with two or more inner conductors enclosed by cable screens acting as an outer conductor, connected together on both ends

Note 1 to entry: Screened balanced or multiconductor cables become a quasi-coaxial system by short circuiting the inner conductive elements.

#### 4 Principles of the test method

The cable (for unbalanced respectively coaxial cables) or one cable pair (for balanced cables) is fed with the power  $P_1$ . Due to the electromagnetic coupling between the cable or pair and the environment, surface waves are excited which propagate in both directions along the screen surface (or the cable surface where there is not a screen). A surface current transformer is used for picking up the power of the surface waves in combination with an absorber (usually a ferrite tube) to suppress unwanted common mode currents. These kinds of combinations are known as absorbing clamps.

On the basis of the peak values of the measured surface currents, it is possible to calculate the maximum peak power,  $P_{2\max}$ , in the secondary system formed by the screen of the cable (or the cable itself) and the environment.

The logarithmic ratio of the powers  $P_1$  and  $P_{2\max}$  is termed screening or coupling attenuation, expressed in dB.

In case of balunless measurement, coupling attenuation is termed by the logarithmic ratio of the powers  $P_{\text{diff}}$  and  $P_{\text{com,max}}$ .

For unbalanced (coaxial) or quasic coaxial cables, the measurement result is the screening attenuation. For balanced (symmetrical) cables, we have to consider two cases:

- a) disturbing power fed in differential mode: the measurement result is the coupling attenuation, which is the combined result of both unbalance attenuation and screening attenuation;
- b) disturbing power fed in common mode: the measurement result is the screening attenuation.

To measure coupling attenuation, a balanced signal is required to feed the balanced pair under test. This can be achieved by using a two port VNA and a balun to transform unbalanced (usually 50  $\Omega$ ) generator signal into the balanced (usually 100  $\Omega$ ) signal of the balanced cable.

Another option is the “balun-less” test method by using a 4 port vector network analyser or similar test equipment. The preferred method is the balunless (virtual balun) method.

The surface current is measured on a swept-frequency basis with a stationary clamp.

Taking into account the maximum effect of either near or far end surface waves, the coupling attenuation  $a_c$  (or the screening attenuation  $a_S$ ) is defined by:

$$a_c = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{P_1}{\max[P_{2n}; P_{2f}]} \right) \quad (1)$$

where

$P_1$  is the input power of inner circuit of the sample;

$P_{2n}$  is the maximum near end coupling peak power;

$P_{2f}$  is the maximum far end coupling peak power.

A detailed description of the physical background of screening attenuation and coupling attenuation measurement is given in IEC TS 62153-4-1.