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Full information on the voting for the approval of this technical report can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

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INTRODUCTION

Standards and deliverables of the IEC 60728 series deal with cable networks including equipment and associated methods of measurement for headend reception, processing and distribution of television and sound signals, and for processing, interfacing and transmitting all kinds of data signals for interactive services using all applicable transmission media. These signals are typically transmitted in networks by frequency-multiplexing techniques.

This includes, for instance:

- regional and local broadband cable networks,
- extended satellite and terrestrial television distribution systems,
- individual satellite and terrestrial television receiving systems,

and all kinds of equipment, systems and installations used in such cable networks, distribution and receiving systems.

The extent of this standardization work is from the antennas and/or special signal source inputs to the headend or other interface points to the network up to the terminal input of the equipment on the customer's premises.

The standardization work will consider coexistence with users of the RF spectrum in wired and wireless transmission systems.

The standardization of any user terminals (i.e. tuners, receivers, decoders, multimedia terminals etc.) as well as of any coaxial, balanced and optical cables and accessories thereof is excluded.

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Part 3-2: Method of measurement of 5th order non-linearity for active electronic equipment using five carriers

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60728 is applicable to the measurement of 5th order non-linearity for active electronic equipment which carries only digitally modulated television signals, sound signals and signals for interactive services. This method of measurement is specifically applicable to MATV installations but could be applied to broadband and channel selective amplifiers used in all kinds of cable networks.

NOTE 1 The methods of measurement of non-linearity (intermodulation products) applicable to active equipment, when loaded with analogue signals, considered that third order intermodulation products were the most important ones. The new era of television digital signals, transmitted according to DVB-S/S2, DVB-C/C2 and DVB-T/T2 modulation formats, has shown that the non-linear distortions (intermodulation products) in active equipment, when loaded with digital signals, are significant up to the 5th order.

NOTE 2 With this method of measurement it is possible to obtain information on non-linear distortions (intermodulation products) up to the 5th order in active wideband equipment, using only 5 carriers, placed in an appropriate and suitable way in the equipment bandwidth. Moreover, with this method of measurement it is possible to obtain information on non-linear distortions (up to the 5th order) in narrowband equipment (channel amplifiers and channel frequency converters) carrying DVB-C/C2 and/or DVB-T/T2 signals.

2 Normative references

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IEC 60728-3, *Cable networks for television signals, sound signals and interactive services – Part 3: Active wideband equipment for cable networks*