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## INTRODUCTION

This document aims to provide a measurement method that determines the display angular dependence after colour and white reference adaptation and provides an evaluation of differences in a uniform colour space.

This document facilitates the cross-industry measurement of the viewing direction dependence of colour displays. Several studies [6 to 9]<sup>1</sup> have indicated that the contrast ratio ( $CR > 10:1$ ) is, from a visual quality point of view, not useful to determine the viewing direction range for matrix displays. When colour differences are included in a viewing direction metric, the correlation between the metric value and a visual assessment value is significantly increased [10]. A more recent study [11] revealed that a metric, combining viewing-direction related luminance degradation and colour deviation can accurately predict the relative change in the visual assessment value. This information is the basis for the determination of the viewing direction range, which has relevance from a visual quality point of view.

NOTE “Viewing direction range” is sometimes referred to as “viewing angle”. Although technically incorrect, for legacy reasons the terms is considered equivalent.

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<sup>1</sup> Numbers in square brackets refer to the Bibliography.

## **ELECTRONIC DISPLAYS –**

### **Part 3-1: Evaluation of optical performances – Colour difference based viewing direction dependence**

#### **1 Scope**

This part of IEC 62977 specifies the evaluation method of the viewing direction characteristics of electronic display devices under dark-room conditions. More specifically, this document focuses on the evaluation of the viewing direction characteristics based on colour difference.

This document applies to colour matrix displays, which are based on transmissive or emissive technologies.

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The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 11664-1, *Colorimetry – Part 1: CIE standard colorimetric observers*

ISO 11664-4, *Colorimetry – Part 4: CIE 1976 L\*a\*b\* Colour space*

ISO/CIE 11664-6:2014, *Colorimetry – Part 6: CIEDE2000 Colour-difference formula*

CIE 159, *A colour appearance model for colour management systems: CIECAM02*

CIE 168, *Criteria for the evaluation of extended-gamut colour encodings*