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# METALLIC CABLES AND OTHER PASSIVE COMPONENTS – TEST METHODS –

## Part 4-17: Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) – Reduction Factor

### 1 Scope

Multi-element metallic communication and control cables are often designed with metallic screen against harmful effects of electromagnetic fields e.g. generated in the environment of electric power and electrified railway lines [1]<sup>1</sup>.

This part of IEC 62153 applies to the testing of the reduction factor of multi-element metallic cables used in analogue and digital communication and control. The described method is generally applicable to all screened metallic cables.

The reduction factor describes the screening effectiveness of a cable screen at frequencies below 1 kHz with a ratio of voltages describing the screened and unscreened situation. During the measurement, the cable under test is connected to a specific current loop arrangement.

### 2 Normative references

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#### 3.1

##### **reduction factor**

voltage ratio describing the effectiveness of a screen by relating the screened and unscreened situation using a specific current loop

#### 3.2

##### **metallic screen**

interconnection of all electric and magnetic screens, where applicable

### 4 Test procedure

#### 4.1 General

The general test set-up is shown in Figure 1. Test is performed under following conditions:

Temp = 20 °C ± 10 °C, RH = 55 % ± 25 %

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