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# Foreword

This draft European Standard (EN) has been produced by ETSI Technical Committee Environmental Engineering (EE), and is now submitted for the combined Public Enquiry and Vote phase of the ETSI EN Approval Procedure.

The present document concerns the requirements for the interface between ICT equipment and its power supply, and includes requirements relating to its stability and measurement. Various other references and detailed measurement and test arrangements are contained in informative annexes.

The present document is part 2 of a multi-part deliverable covering Environmental Engineering (EE); Power supply interface at the input of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) equipment, as identified below:

- Part 1: "Alternating Current (AC)";
- Part 2: "-48 V Direct Current (DC)";**
- Part 3: "Up to 400 V Direct Current (DC)".

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# 1 Scope

The present document contains requirements and measurements methods for the physical interface "A" that is situated between the power supply system(s) and the power consuming ICT equipment.

The nominal voltage at power interface "A" of ICT equipment defined in the present document is DC voltage -48 V.

The DC power can be supplied by a DC output power system (e.g. based on AC rectifiers on grid or DC/DC converters on solar system, fuel cell, DC engine or fuel cell generator) and also directly supplied by a battery backup in this DC power system. The purpose of the present document is to be able to use a power supply system with the same characteristics for all ICT equipment defined in the area of application:

- to facilitate inter working of different types of load units;
- to facilitate the standardization of ICT equipment;
- to facilitate the installation, operation and maintenance in the same network of ICT equipment and systems from different origins.

The present document aims at providing electrical compatibility between the power supply equipment and the power consuming ICT equipment, between different system blocks and loads connected to the same power supply feeding the interface "A" (e.g. control/monitoring, cooling system, etc.).

The requirements are defined for:

- the power supply input of any type of ICT equipment installed at telecommunication centres that are connected to interface "A" powered by DC;
- any type of ICT equipment, installed in access networks and customers' premises, the DC interface "A" of which is also used by equipment requiring a DC supply source;
- any type of ICT equipment powered by DC, used in the fixed and mobile networks installed in different locations such as buildings, shelters, street cabinets, outdoor installations.

Disturbances on the power supply interface "A" relating to the continuous wave phenomena below 20 kHz are covered within the present document.

The present document does not cover safety requirements, they are covered by relevant safety standards.

The present document does not cover EMC requirements, they are covered by relevant EMC standards.

NOTE: Annex B gives guidance on -60 VDC supply systems.

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- [1] [ETSI EN 300 253](#): "Environmental Engineering (EE); Earthing and bonding of ICT equipment powered by -48 VDC in telecom and data centres".

- [2] Void.
- [3] Void.
- [4] Void.
- [5] [EN 61000-4-5](#): "Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-5: Testing and measurement techniques - Surge immunity test" (produced by CENELEC).
- [6] Void.
- [7] [EN 61000-4-29](#): "Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-29: Testing and measurement techniques - Voltage dips, short interruptions and voltage variations on d.c. input power port immunity tests" (produced by CENELEC).

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- [i.1] Recommendation ITU-T Q.551: "Transmission characteristics of digital exchanges".
- [i.2] Recommendation ITU-T Q.552: "Transmission characteristics at 2-wire analogue interfaces of digital exchanges".
- [i.3] Recommendation ITU-T Q.553: "Transmission characteristics at 4-wire analogue interfaces of digital exchanges".
- [i.4] Recommendation ITU-T Q.554: "Transmission characteristics at digital interfaces of digital exchanges".
- [i.5] ETSI TR 100 283: "Environmental Engineering (EE); Transient voltages at Interface "A" on telecommunications direct current (dc) power distributions".
- [i.6] US Department of Defence MIL-STD-461E: "Requirements for the control of electromagnetic interference characteristics of subsystems and equipment".
- [i.7] Void.
- [i.8] Recommendation ITU-T O.41: "Psophometer for use on telephone-type circuits".
- [i.9] IEC 60050-601: "International Electrotechnical Vocabulary. Chapter 601: Generation, transmission and distribution of electricity - General" (Area 826 "Electrical installations", section 826-11 "Voltages and currents").
- [i.10] EN 60269-1: "Low-voltage fuses - Part 1: General requirements" (produced by CENELEC).
- [i.11] EN 60934: "Circuit-breakers for equipment (CBE)" (produced by CENELEC).
- [i.12] IEC 60050-351: 2013: "International Electrotechnical Vocabulary. Part 351: Control technology".



## 3 Definition of terms, symbols and abbreviations

### 3.1 Terms

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms apply:

**abnormal service voltage range:** range of steady state voltage over which the equipment will not be expected to maintain normal service but will survive undamaged

**customer premises:** location which is the sole responsibility of the customer

**DC power return conductor:** 0 V power supply conductor

NOTE: Also called "battery return".

**fully equipped equipment:** configuration that corresponds to the maximum power consumption measured at -48 VDC with the equipment in operating conditions (e.g. not in standby mode)

NOTE: When there are several fully equipped configurations because of different combinations of possible boards, the configuration with the boards that gives the highest power consumption should be considered.

**ICT equipment:** device, in the telecommunication network infrastructure, that provides an ICT service

**interface "A":** terminals at which the power supply is connected to the system block

NOTE 1: See also figure 1 and annex A.

NOTE 2: This is a functional definition and not an exact depiction of the physical location.

**malfunction:** termination of the normal service

**maximum steady state input current ( $I_m$ ):** maximum steady state input current, stated by the manufacturer, for a fully equipped equipment under test connected to interface "A" at nominal voltage

**nominal voltage:** value of the voltage by which the electrical installation or part of the electrical installation is designated and identified

NOTE: As defined in IEC 60050-601 [i.9].

**normal service:** service mode where ICT equipment operates within its specification which includes a defined restart time after malfunction or full interruption

**normal service voltage range:** range of steady state voltages over which the equipment will maintain normal service

**power supply:** power source to which ICT equipment is intended to be connected

**service voltage:** value of the voltage under normal conditions, at a given instant and a given point of the system

NOTE: As defined in IEC 60050-601 [i.9].

**steady-state:** state of a system at which all state and output variables remain constant in time while all input variables are constant

NOTE: This is definition 351-45-10 in IEC 60050-351:2013 [i.12].

**system block:** functional group of equipment depending for its operation and performance on its connection to the same power supply

NOTE: A system block may consist of equipment or a functional group of equipment. Different examples of configurations at interface "A" are given in annex A.

**telecommunication centre:** location where ICT equipment is installed and which is the sole responsibility of the operator

## 3.2 Symbols

For the purposes of the present document, the following symbols apply:

$I_t$	instantaneous inrush current
$I_m$	maximum steady state input current
$L$	inductance of inductive element of LISN
$R$	resistance of resistive element of LISN
$t$	time
$U_{\text{pso,eff}}$	effective psophometric voltage
$U_{\text{rms}}$	RMS voltage
$Z_c$	capacitive impedance of immunity measurement circuit
$Z_m$	resistive impedance of immunity measurement circuit
$\mu\text{s}$	microsecond

## 3.3 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

AC	Alternating Current
DC	Direct Current

NOTE: Also when used as a suffix to units of measurement.

EMC	ElectroMagnetic Compatibility
ESR	Equivalent Series Resistance
EUT	Equipment Under Test
HOD	High-Ohmic Distributions
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
IL	Insertion Loss
LISN	Line Impedance Stabilization Network
LOD	Low-Ohmic Distributions
RF	Radio Frequency
rms	root mean square
TR	Technical Report
VDC	Voltage Direct Current

NOTE: Also when used as a suffix to units of measurement.

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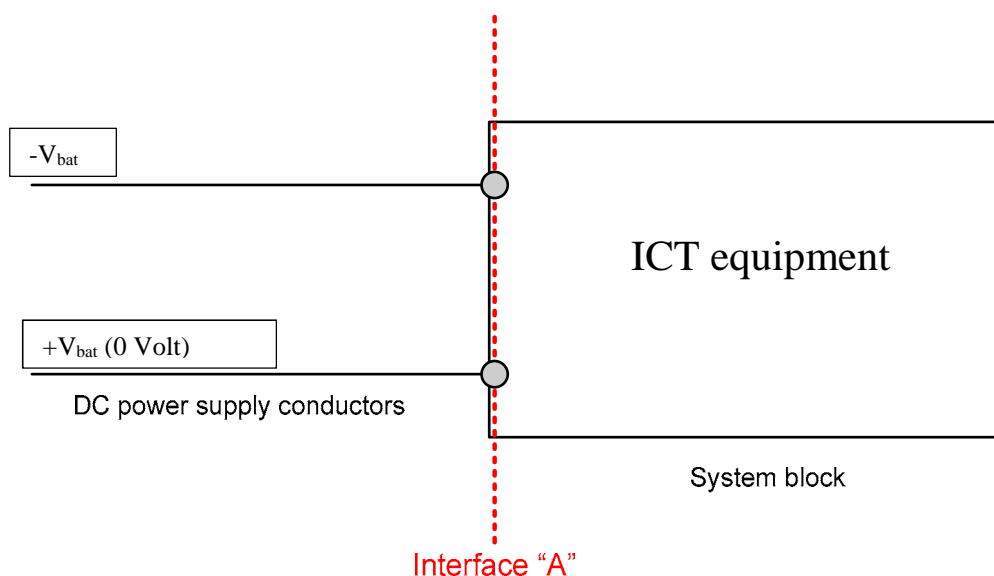
# 4 Requirements

## 4.0 Power interface "A"

The power supply interface, interface "A" of figure 1, is a physical point to which all the requirements are related.

This point is situated between the power supply system(s) and the power consuming ICT equipment.

An example of a configuration in which interface "A" is identified is given in annex A.



**Figure 1: Identification of interface "A"**

## 4.1 Nominal voltage

The nominal voltage at interface "A" shall be -48 VDC with positive conductor connected to earth as defined in ETSI EN 300 253 [1].

NOTE 1: The positive conductor, also called DC return, can be (see ETSI EN 300 253 [1]):

- Isolated DC return: this is a DC power system in which the DC power return conductor has a single point connection to the bonding network. Equipment intended for this power distribution has a floating DC power at the power input terminal.
- Common DC return: this is a DC power system in which the return conductor is connected to the bonding network at many points. Equipment intended for this power distribution can have the DC return earthed at the power input terminal.

NOTE 2: In most cases the nominal voltage of interface "A" is based on a 24 cells lead-acid battery. Use of other technologies, such as Lithium-ion batteries, are increasing and are compatible with the requirements of the present document

## 4.2 Normal service voltage range at interface "A"

The normal service voltage range for the -48 VDC nominal supply at interface "A" shall be from -40,5 VDC to -57,0 VDC.

NOTE 1: The maximum voltage is based on a 0,3 V drop in the distribution loop and a battery voltage of 2,35 V/cell plus 0,5 % for regulation.

There shall be no degradation of service performance when ICT equipment is operating at voltages within the normal service voltage range including voltage variation inside the normal voltage range.

This requirement shall be verified by applying at interface "A" a voltage step test with specification and parameters defined in table 1. The testing and measurement techniques are described in EN 61000-4-29 [7].

The test shall apply to equipment with single and multiple power supply "A" interface inputs.

Table 1

Test level of Normal service voltage step variation	Voltage step duration	Basic standard for testing	Rise and fall time of voltage step	Performance criteria
From -40,5 V to -57,0 VDC and back to -40,5 VDC (see figure 2a)	0,1 s	EN 61000-4-29 [7]	Between 1 $\mu$ s and 50 $\mu$ s on 100 $\Omega$ resistive load (see basic standard for test generator)	No degradation in the service performance during and after the test
From -57,0 V to -40,5 VDC and back to -57 VDC (see figure 2b)	0,1 s			

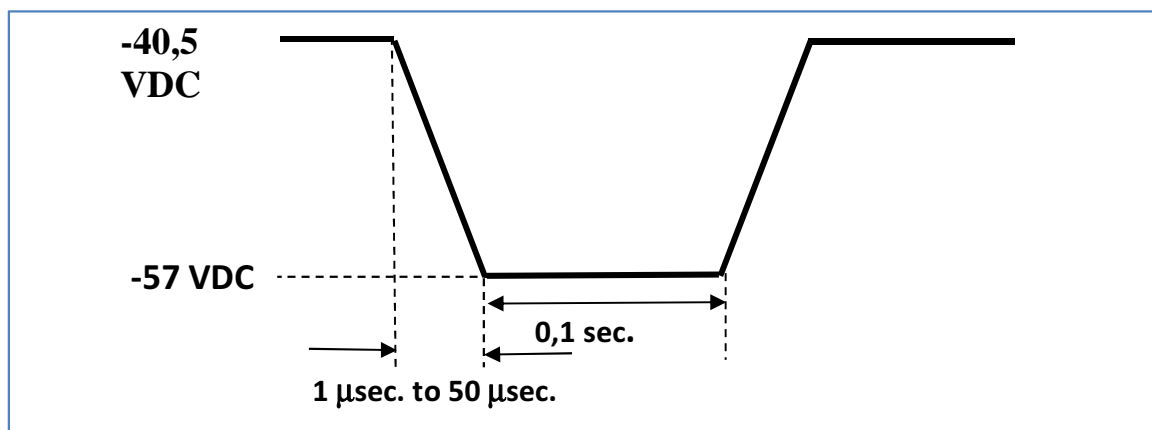


Figure 2a

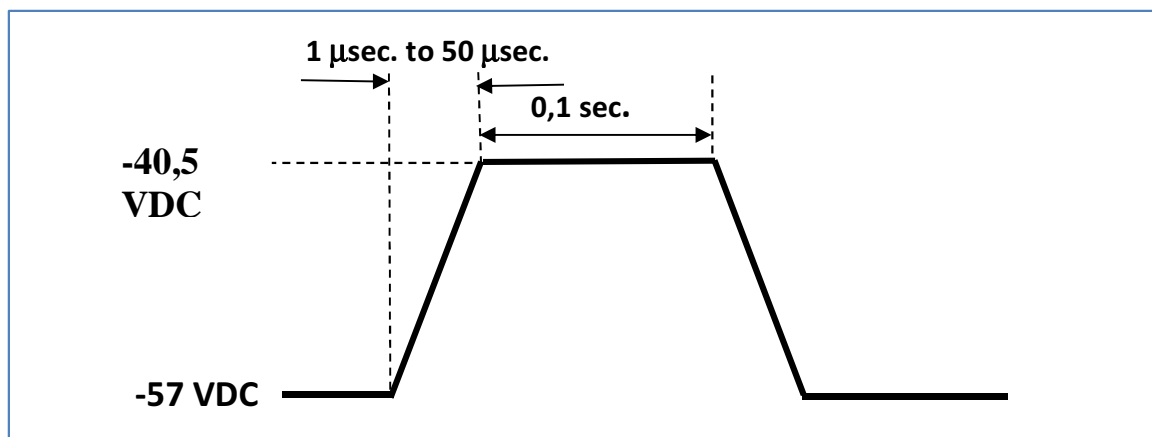


Figure 2b

In the case of ICT equipment with power supply input redundancy (e.g. Input 1 and Input 2), this test shall be performed:

- with Inputs 1 and 2 powered simultaneously and applying the test in table 1 on both inputs simultaneously;
- with Inputs 1 and 2 powered simultaneously and applying the test in table 1 on one input (either Input 1 or 2);
- with either Input 1 or 2 powered and no power on the other power input and applying the test in table 1 on the powered input.

NOTE 2: The minimum voltage is based on the voltage drop in the distribution network and a battery cell end of discharge voltage.

NOTE 3: The voltages specified are measured at interface "A". It should be noted that if interface "A" is at any point other than the ICT equipment interface as presented in annex A, there will be a voltage drop between interface "A" and the equipment terminals.

## 4.3 Abnormal service voltage range at interface "A"

### 4.3.1 Abnormal service voltage range under steady state conditions

ICT equipment designed to work at 48 VDC nominal voltage at the interface "A" shall not suffer any damage when subjected to the following voltage ranges defined in table 2.

**Table 2**

0,0 V	to	-40,5 VDC
-57,0 VDC	to	-60,0 VDC

Following the restoration of the supply to the normal voltage range, the power conversion and management systems on the load side of interface "A" shall automatically restore normal service. The ICT equipment shall then resume operation according to its specifications. The abnormal service voltage shall not lead to the disconnection of the power supply e.g. by causing circuit breakers, fuses or other such devices to operate.

NOTE: It is acceptable that the system may restart when the voltage is -40,5 VDC or anywhere within the nominal service voltage range and/or after a time delay.

### 4.3.2 Abnormal conditions: voltage variations, dips and short interruptions

ICT equipment shall comply with the requirements defined in this clause when subject to the abnormal voltage range defined in table 3 that can be present at the interface "A".

This requirement shall be verified by applying at interface "A" a voltage step test with specification and parameters defined in table 3. The testing and measurement techniques are described in EN 61000-4-29 [7].

The test shall apply to equipment with single and multiple power supply inputs.

**Table 3**

Test level of abnormal voltage step variation	Voltage step duration	Basic standard for testing	Rise and fall time of voltage step	Performance criteria
From -40,5 VDC to -60,0 VDC and back to -40,5 VDC (see figure 3a)	0,1 s	EN 61000-4-29 [7]	Between 1 $\mu$ s and 50 $\mu$ s on 100 $\Omega$ resistive load (see basic standard)	Self restart to a normal service of the equipment without operator intervention after the test
From -57,0 VDC to 0,0 V And back to -57,0 VDC (see figure 3b)	0,1 s			

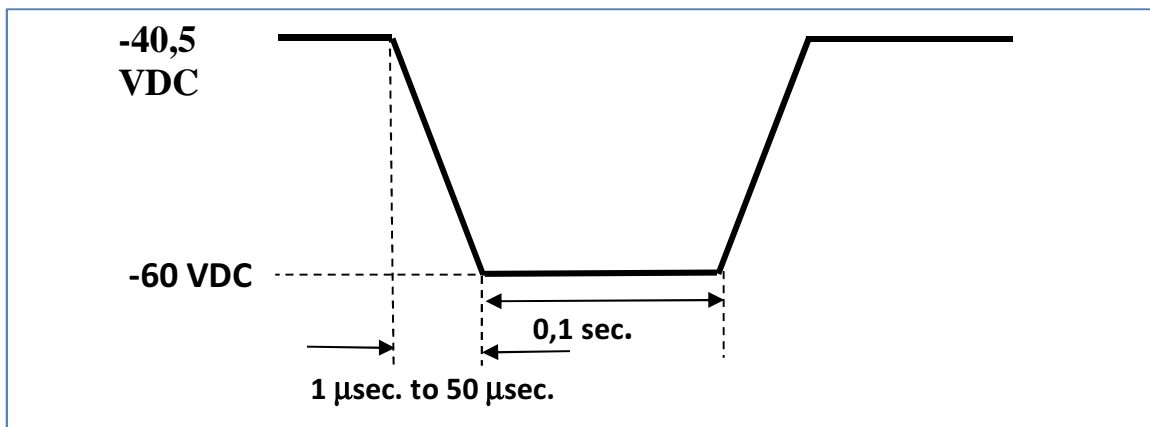


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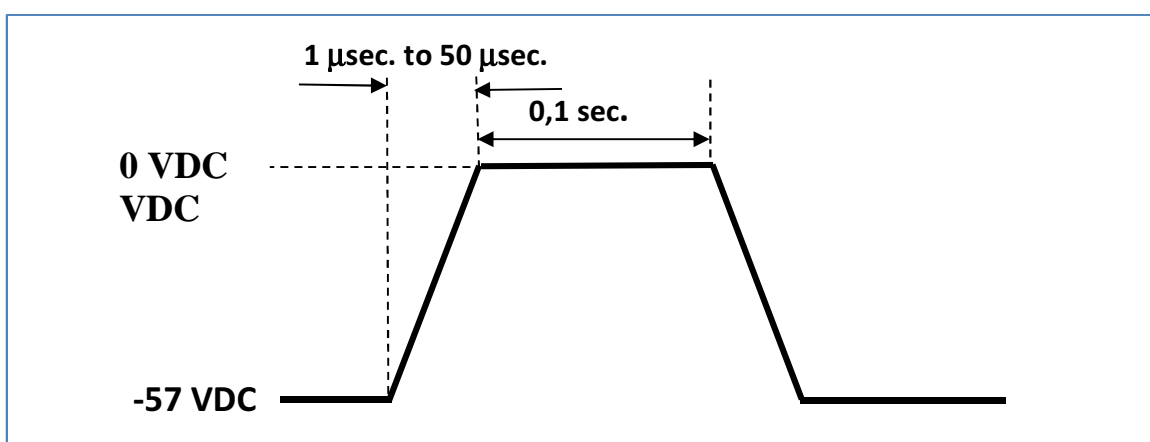


Figure 3b

In the case of ICT equipment with power supply input redundancy (e.g. Input 1 and Input 2), this test shall be performed:

- with Inputs 1 and 2 powered simultaneously and applying the test in table 3 on both inputs simultaneously;
- with Inputs 1 and 2 powered simultaneously and applying the test in table 3 on one input (either Input 1 or 2). In this case the performance criteria shall be "No degradation in the service performance during and after the test";
- with either Input 1 or 2 powered and no power on the other power input and applying the test in table 3 on the powered input.

### 4.3.3 Voltage transients

#### 4.3.3.1 Voltage transient due to short-circuit and protective device clearance

Voltage transients may occur at interface "A" when faults (e.g. short circuits) occur in the power distribution system. These transients are characterized by a voltage drop in the range: 0 V to -40,5 VDC, followed by an overvoltage often in excess of the maximum steady state abnormal service voltage range defined in table 3 and dependent upon the power distribution up to interface "A" and the equipment connected to interface "A".

NOTE 1: ETSI TR 100 283 [i.5] provides guidance for the protection of ICT equipment from the transients.

NOTE 2: A protective device operation transient results from a low impedance fault to ground on the equipment side of a protective device (fuse or circuit breaker) connected to a power distribution bus. In the power bus, then voltage is reduced (undervoltage) due to high current flowing to ground through the protective device and the short ground. When the protective device opens, the release energy stored in the inductance of the bus causes an initial high voltage overshoot of short duration, followed by a longer interval voltage overshoot that decays toward the steady state bus voltage. The undervoltage portion of the protective device operation transient, may cause a voltage drop at the input terminals of the other equipment connected to the common power bus that may affect the functionality of the equipment itself. The propagation of the protective device operation transient on the power bus depends by the type of power distribution system and can be minimized by:

- isolating the fault using High-Ohmic Distributions (HODs) or Low-Ohmic Distributions (LODs); see annex G; or
- using redundant powering systems (i.e. dual feeders (A+B) from two separate power sources (A+B)). Equipment having two power feeds is fitted with OR-ing devices or separate power supply units; or
- using large storage capacitance to provide a holdup time equal to or larger than the protective device operating time.

#### 4.3.3.2 Short voltage transient due to switching and lightning

The surge immunity performance of ICT equipment against abnormal overvoltage shall be verified using the test procedure described below and the combination wave generator defined in the standard EN 61000-4-5 [5]. This generator can produce the pulse shape of 1,2  $\mu$ s-rise time/50  $\mu$ s-duration in open circuit and 8  $\mu$ s-rise time/20  $\mu$ s-duration in short circuit.

This test shall be performed with the DC return of power supply source connected to ground and with the operating input voltage of -54 VDC. In a -48 VDC system having a Common DC return, see clause 4.1 of the present document, only the negative polarity of the voltage transient following the clearance of an overcurrent protection device during a short-circuit condition is relevant and therefore only negative polarity test defined in table 4 shall apply.

The voltage surge to be applied at the interface "A" of the ICT equipment is defined in table 4.

The test shall apply to equipment with single and multiple power supply inputs.

Table 4

Transient voltage level and test class	Voltage Pulse polarity	Coupling lines	Number of voltage pulses	Voltage Pulse shape and source impedance	Performance criteria	Comments
500 V surge	Negative	Between positive and negative power supply poles	5	1,2 $\mu$ s-rise time/50 $\mu$ s-duration 2 $\Omega$ impedance	ICT equipment operating within the normal service voltage range shall not be damaged  Self restart to a normal service of the equipment without operator intervention after the test	The 0 V reference of the generator shall be connected to the positive pole of the power supply
500 V surge	Positive and Negative	Between: positive and earth  negative and earth	5 positive and 5 negative	1,2 $\mu$ s-rise time/50 $\mu$ s-duration 12 $\Omega$ impedance	ICT equipment operating within the normal service voltage range shall not be damaged  Self restart to a normal service of the equipment without operator intervention after the test	The 0 V reference of the generator shall be connected to the earth Test only applicable to equipment intended to be used in isolated DC return power distributions (see clause 4.1)

In the case of ICT equipment with power supply input redundancy (e.g. Input 1 and Input 2), this test shall be performed:

- with Inputs 1 and 2 powered simultaneously and applying the test in table 4 on both inputs simultaneously;
- with Inputs 1 and 2 powered simultaneously and applying the test in table 4 on one input (either Input 1 or 2);
- with either Input 1 or 2 powered and no power on the other power input and applying the test in table 4 on the powered input.

#### 4.3.4 Recovery from voltage transients

After the occurrence of a voltage transient, as described in clause 4.3.3, ICT equipment shall continue to function within its operational specification without requiring manual intervention.

NOTE 1: The abnormal service should not lead to the disconnection of ICT equipment power supply units e.g. by causing circuit breakers, fuses and other such devices to operate.

NOTE 2: In sensitive equipment, momentary and temporary interruption of the service may occur as a result of such transients at interface "A". Lengthening of the interruption to service (equipment is not functioning as intended) due to the recovery of software should be declared in the test report (i.e. details about the service interruption).

NOTE 3: To prevent system malfunctioning additional arrangements concerning the power supply system may be necessary.

For example:

- Dual power feeding system.
- High-Ohmic power supply distribution system.



- Independent power supply distribution.

## 4.4 Voltage changes due to the regulation of the power supply

ICT equipment may be subjected to a voltage change at interface "A" as a result of regulation of the voltage by the power supply system e.g. end cell switching.

This test shall apply to the ICT equipment connected to interface "A". The test can also be applied separately to each subpart of the equipment connected to the same interface "A".

This requirement shall be verified applying the test of a voltage variation at the interface "A" with specification and parameters defined in table 5.

The test shall apply to equipment with single and multiple power supply inputs.

**Table 5**

Test level of Voltage variation	Change rate	Performance criteria
From -40,5 VDC to -57,0 VDC From -57,0 VDC to -40,5 VDC	Linear variation slope: between 3 V/ms and 7 V/ms	No degradation in the equipment functionality during and after the test

In the case of ICT equipment with power supply input redundancy (e.g. Input 1 and Input 2), this test shall be performed:

- with Inputs 1 and 2 powered simultaneously and applying the test in table 5 on both inputs simultaneously;
- with Inputs 1 and 2 powered simultaneously and applying the test in table 5 on one input (either Input 1 or 2);
- with either Input 1 or 2 powered and no power on the other power input and applying the test in table 5 on the powered input.

## 4.5 Power supply protection at interface "A"

The power supply at interface "A" shall be protected by circuit breakers, fuses or equivalent devices.

NOTE: The energy content of the inrush current has also to be taken into account when specifying the power supply system up to interface "A".

## 4.6 Maximum current drain

Protection devices (e.g. circuit breakers, fuses or equivalent devices) shall be defined for a rated current of 1,5 times  $I_m$  to avoid tripping in the normal service voltage range.

This requirement shall be verified by measuring the input current when applying at interface "A" voltage levels and voltage variations following test specification and parameters defined in table 6.

The test shall apply to equipment with single and multiple power supply inputs.

The maximum steady state current  $I_m$  is the current stated by the manufacturer for a fully-equipped equipment at full load, connected to interface "A" at nominal voltage -48 VDC.

At 40,5 VDC, the current shall not be higher than 1,5 time  $I_m$ .

Table 6

Test level of Voltage applied on power supply input (U)	Voltage variation	Performance criteria
-48 VDC		$I_m$ value shall be measured and provided
From -57 VDC to -40,5 VDC	Linear variation slope: 1 V/min	The current used by the equipment shall be lower than $1,5 I_m$
From -40,5 VDC to 0	Linear variation slope: 1 V/min	The current chart $I(U)$ characteristic used by the equipment shall be measured and provided

In the case of ICT equipment with power supply input redundancy (e.g. Input 1 and Input 2), this test shall be performed with either Input 1 or 2 powered and no power on the other power input.

NOTE: Additional consideration should be made for temperature variation and technology of the protection devices (see annex F).

## 4.7 Inrush Current on connection of interface "A"

### 4.7.1 Limits

The ratio of the instantaneous inrush current  $I_t$  to maximum steady state current  $I_m$  at interface "A", when the switch is closed at the nominal voltage (-48 Vdc) and at the minimum (-40,5 Vdc) and highest (-57 Vdc) voltages of the normal service voltage range, shall not exceed the limits shown in figure 4.

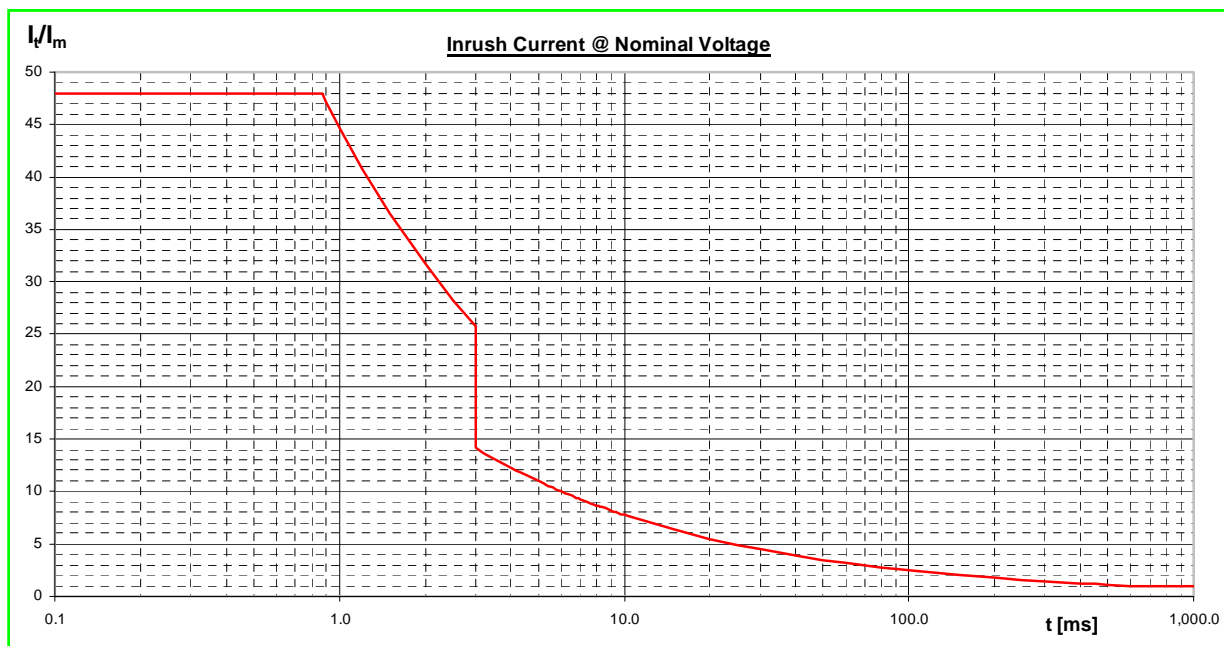
The parameters are defined as follows:

- $I_t$ : inrush current (magnitude of instantaneous value);
- $I_m$ : maximum steady state input current for a fully-equipped equipment under test connected to interface "A", at nominal voltage.

The power generator for inrush current test shall be in accordance with EN 61000-4-29 [7].

Performance criteria:

- Below 0,1 ms, the inrush current is not defined.
- Below 0,9 ms the  $I_t/I_m$  ratio shall be lower than 48 as shown in figure 4.
- Above 1 ms: the curve corresponds to the maximum tripping limit of majority of existing protective devices.



NOTE 1: Figure 4 is a combined graph for both fuses and (Hydraulic) Magnetic Circuit Breakers. Fuses according to EN 60269-1 [i.10] (gG type), Magnetic Circuit Breakers according to EN 60934 [i.11]. Annex F reports the rationale between maximum current and protection selection.

NOTE 2: The time axis refers to "pulse width". Annex C contains suggestions for and an explanation of the inrush measurement.

NOTE 3: Inrush current measured at maximum load and at the voltages defined in clause 4.7.1.

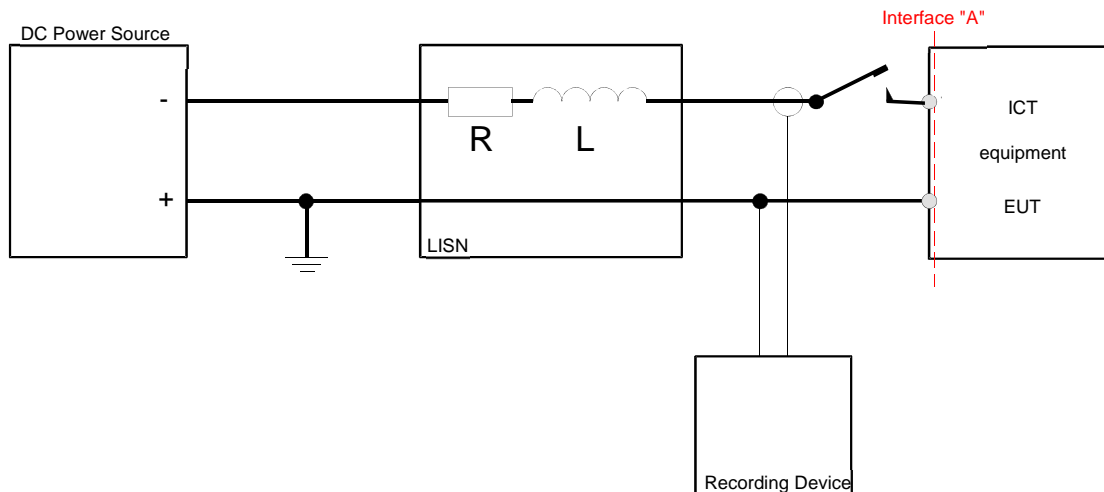
**Figure 4: Maximum inrush current characteristics for ICT equipment at maximum load and at the voltages defined in clause 4.7.1**

## 4.7.2 Measurements

The circuit for measuring the inrush current drawn by the equipment shall be as shown in figure 5. The test circuit is designed to operate with a single switch as shown.

NOTE: Small magnitude current pulses for charging RF filter capacitors should not be considered as the starting point of the inrush measurement. These pulses are not part of the inrush pulse but are before the inrush current pulse.

Annex C gives guidance on taking these measurements.



$$R \leq \frac{1V}{I_m(@54V)}$$

$$10\mu H \leq L \leq 20\mu H$$

NOTE 1: Resistance R includes the resistance of inductor L.

NOTE 2: The LISN could be the connecting cable (EUT to power supply), provided that the length has an inductance of 10  $\mu$ H to 20  $\mu$ H and an equivalent resistance.

NOTE 3: The intention of the LISN is to simulate a power network over which a voltage drop **not greater than** 1 V will appear in case of nominal current.

NOTE 4: While carrying out the surge current test, the voltage of the DC Power Source at the input of the LISN, as shown in this figure, shall fall by no more than 2 V due to current limitation or internal impedance of the DC Power Source.

NOTE 5: R and L in the LISN shall be on one wire or half of them (R/2 and L/2) on each wire.

**Figure 5: Inrush current test circuit for DC interfaces**

## 4.8 Conducted immunity requirements of the ICT equipment at interface "A": narrowband noise

Conducted immunity shall apply only to ICT equipment having an analogue voice interface. Due to the nature of the interference, only an analogue voice interface could be influenced by disturbing signals in the voice frequency range.

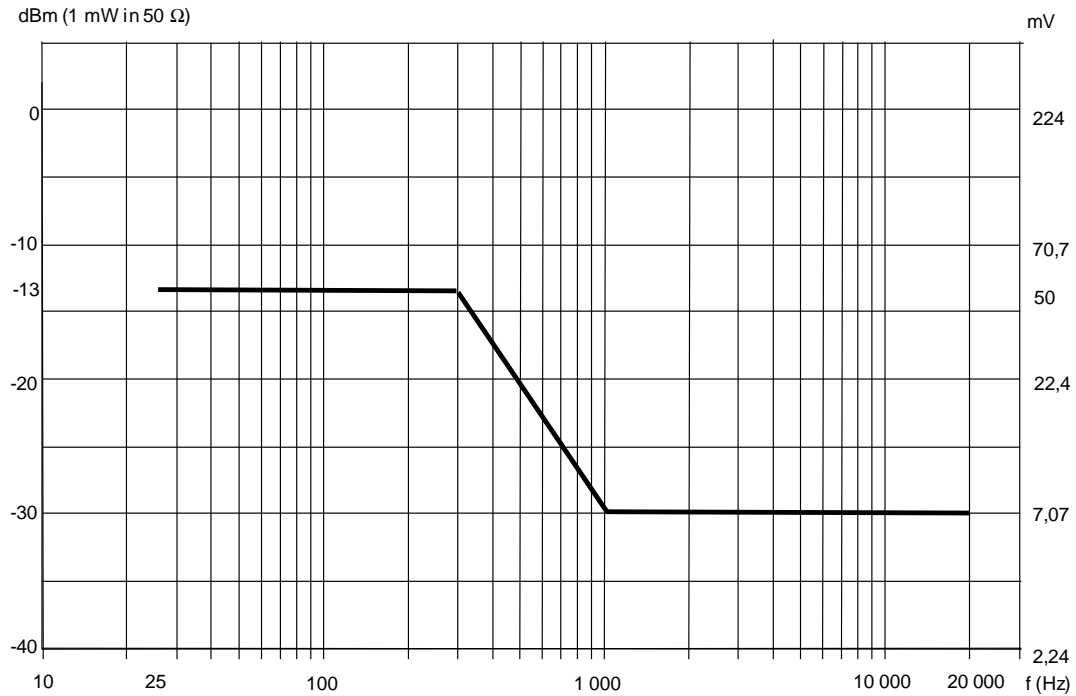
### Performance criteria

The ICT equipment shall meet its specification when the level of narrowband noise at interface "A" does not exceed the limits shown in figure 6.

The values shown refer to the maximum bandwidths as given in table 7.

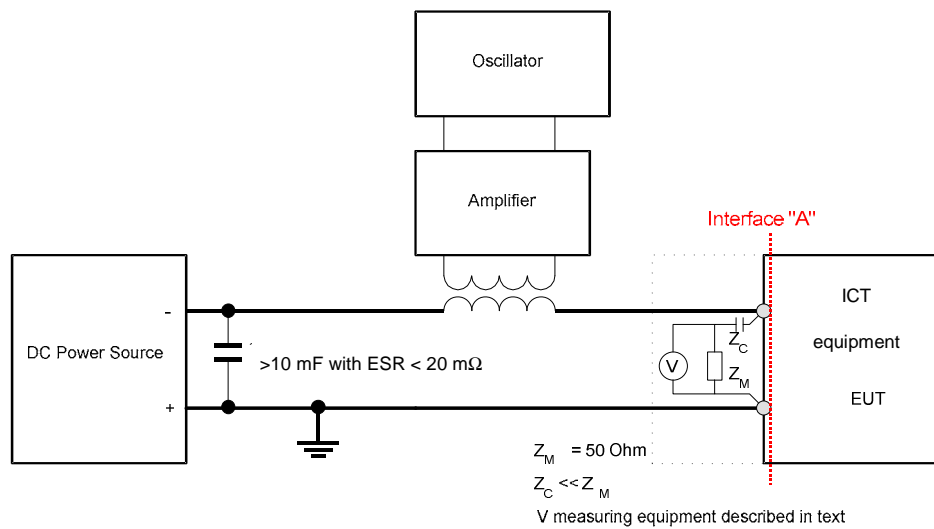
**Table 7**

Frequency range	Resolution bandwidth
25 Hz to 10 kHz	10 Hz
> 10 kHz to 20 kHz	200 Hz or 300 Hz



**Figure 6: Immunity level of narrow-band noise at interface "A"**

The recommended method of measurement is with a spectrum analyser having the bandwidths shown in table 7 for the relevant frequency ranges. The measuring circuit is shown in figure 7.



**Figure 7: Example of a typical test arrangement for immunity measurement at interface "A"**

### Test conditions

When checking compliance to this requirement, the rms value of the injected noise current shall be limited to 5 % of the actual DC current level. Compliance is achieved when the first of the following levels is reached:

- the maximum noise voltage value; or
- the maximum injected noise current level (i.e. 5 % of the actual DC current level)

and the equipment still operates to its specification.

NOTE 1: The user should exercise extreme caution when working with the test arrangement shown in figure 7 as high energy levels can occur.

NOTE 2: Annex D gives an example of a test arrangement for the injection of noise at interface "A".

NOTE 3: The test should be only applied to equipment with an input current not higher than 10 A.

## 4.9 Conducted emissions requirements of the ICT equipment at interface "A"

This test is applicable to ICT equipment intended to be connected to a DC power distribution network where analogue telephone exchange equipment are connected.

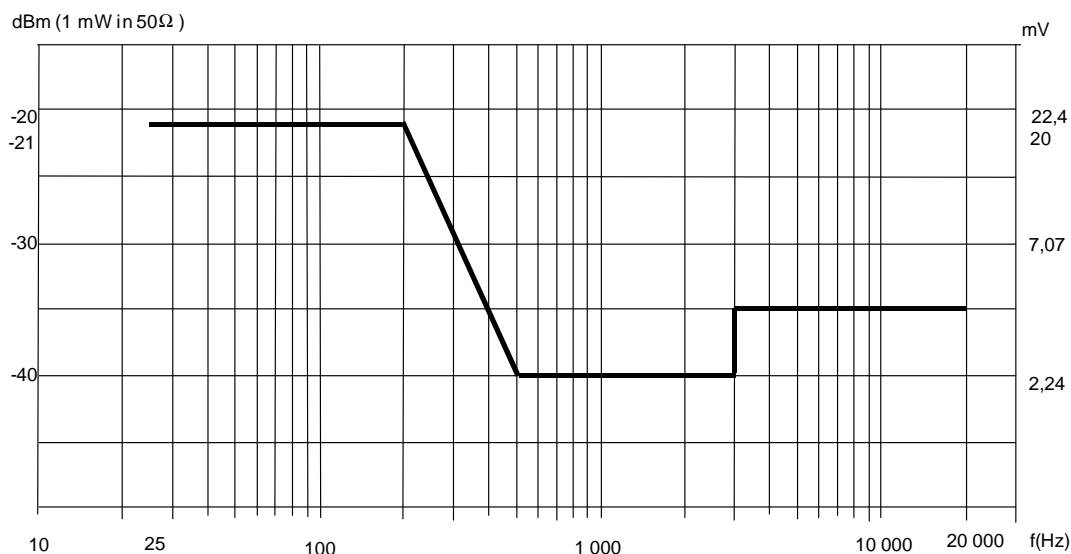
Conducted emission requirements are not applicable to equipment installed in shelters and street cabinets.

The maximum level of noise re-injected to the power supply system at interface "A" from the ICT equipment is shown in figure 8.

The values shown refer to the bandwidths as given in table 8.

**Table 8**

Frequency range	Resolution bandwidth
25 Hz to 10 kHz	10 Hz
> 10 kHz to 20 kHz	200 Hz or 300 Hz

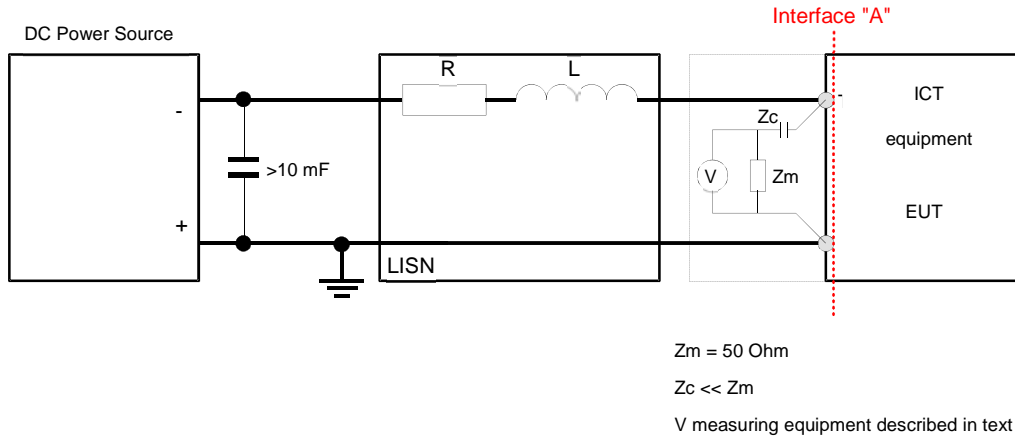


**Figure 8: Maximum levels of narrowband noise**

### Test condition

The measurement shall be made with a spectrum analyser having the bandwidths shown in table 8 for the relevant frequency ranges.

The measurement circuit shall be as shown in figure 9. During the measurement the ICT equipment shall be powered at the nominal voltage and operated at typical configuration defined by the manufacturer under maximum power (Watt level) operation.



$$R \leq \frac{1V}{I_m (@54V)}$$

$$10\mu H \leq L \leq 20\mu H$$

- NOTE 1: The user should exercise extreme caution when working with the test arrangement shown in figure 7 as high energy levels can exist.
- NOTE 2: Resistance R includes the resistance of inductor L.
- NOTE 3: The LISN could be the connecting cable (EUT to power supply), providing that the length has an inductance of 10  $\mu$ H to 20  $\mu$ H and an equivalent resistance.
- NOTE 4: The intention of the LISN is to simulate a power network over which a voltage drop **not greater than 1 V** will appear in case of nominal current.
- NOTE 5: The attenuation of  $Z_c$  in the measuring network shall be verified in the frequency range 20 Hz to 20 kHz. This measurement shall be performed with a spectrum analyser/receiver and a signal generator as described in annex H.

**Figure 9: Measuring circuit for re-injected narrow-band and wide-band noise**

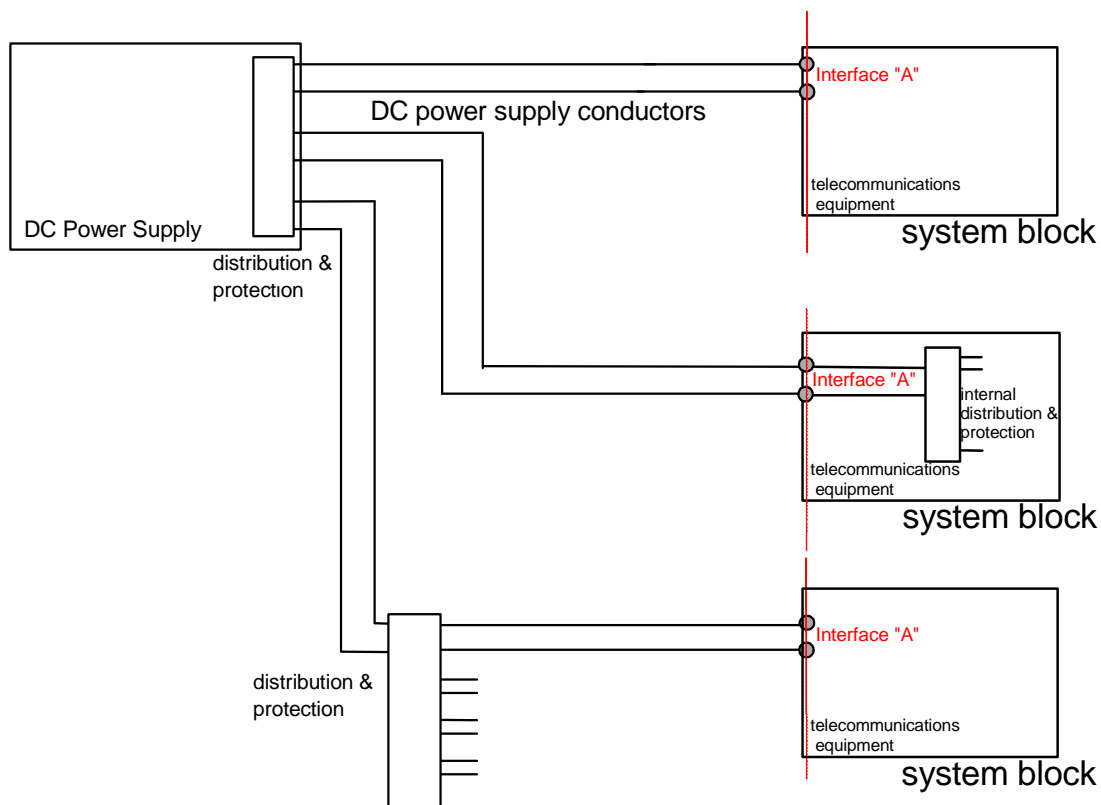
For ICT equipment fitted with analogue interfaces an evaluation of wideband noise amplitude in this frequency band can be calculated using the method detailed in annex E.

## 5 Earthing and bonding

Earthing and bonding of the ICT equipment in telecommunication centres is covered by ETSI EN 300 253 [1].

## Annex A (informative): Identification of interface "A"

Interface "A" is defined as the terminals at which the ICT equipment is connected to the power supply distribution. This is shown in figure A.1.



**Figure A.1: Identification of interface "A" (examples)**



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## Annex B (informative): -60 VDC systems

When equipment is added to existing -60 VDC systems the voltage levels defined in table B.1, deviating from the requirements of the present document, may be used.

NOTE: This variation may be necessary due to established national practice which cannot be changed for a long period of time, for instance when an existing network structure is based on -60 VDC power feeding.

**Table B.1**

<b>Nominal value of the supply voltage</b>	-60,0 VDC		
<b>Normal service voltage range at interface "A"</b>	-50,0 VDC	to	-72,0 VDC
<b>Abnormal service voltage range at interface "A"</b>	0 VDC -72,0 VDC	to to	-50,0 VDC and -75,0 VDC

## Annex C (informative): Guide for measuring inrush current and for transferring the recorded pulses onto the limit chart

### C.1 Measurement

- Use a storage oscilloscope, which can record values of at least 10 A/ $\mu$ s.
- When measuring the DC supply, use a time base setting which enables readings of the pulse width to be taken at different current levels (figure C.1 reports a result of a simulated inrush pulse measurement).
- Take several readings to ensure that the worst case value has been recorded.

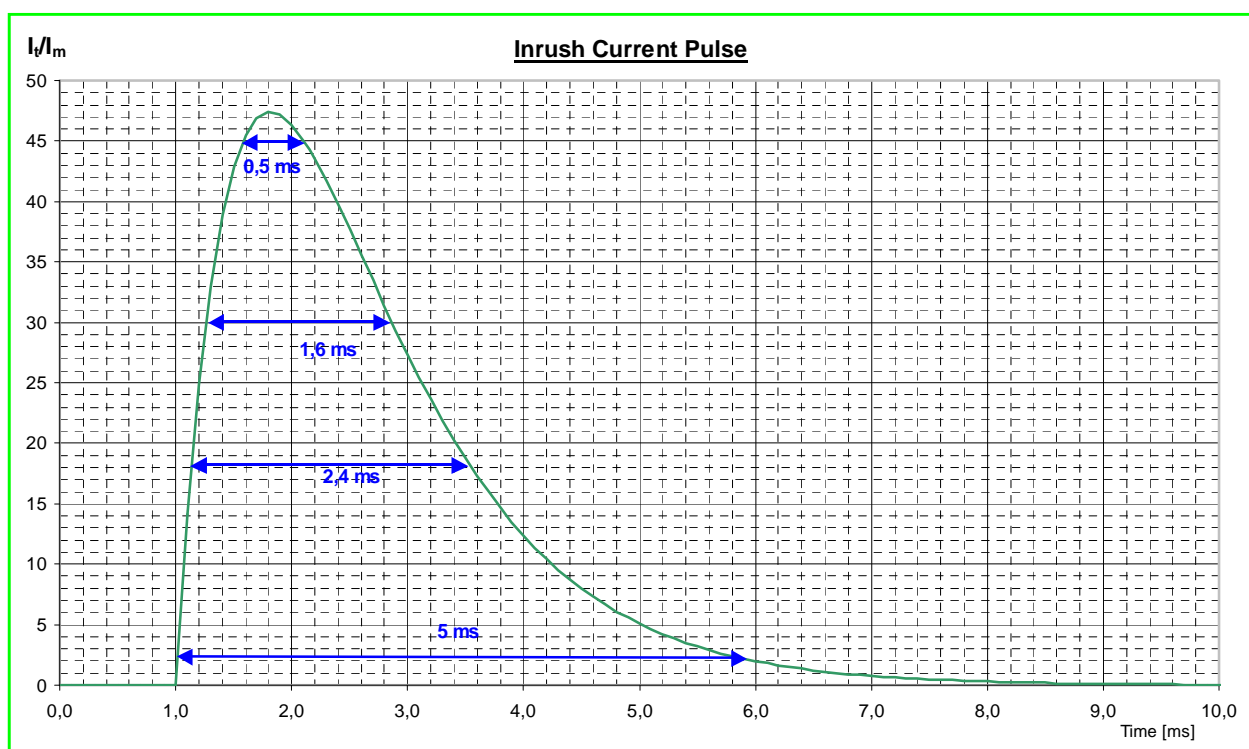


Figure C.1: Example of current pulse and associated measurements

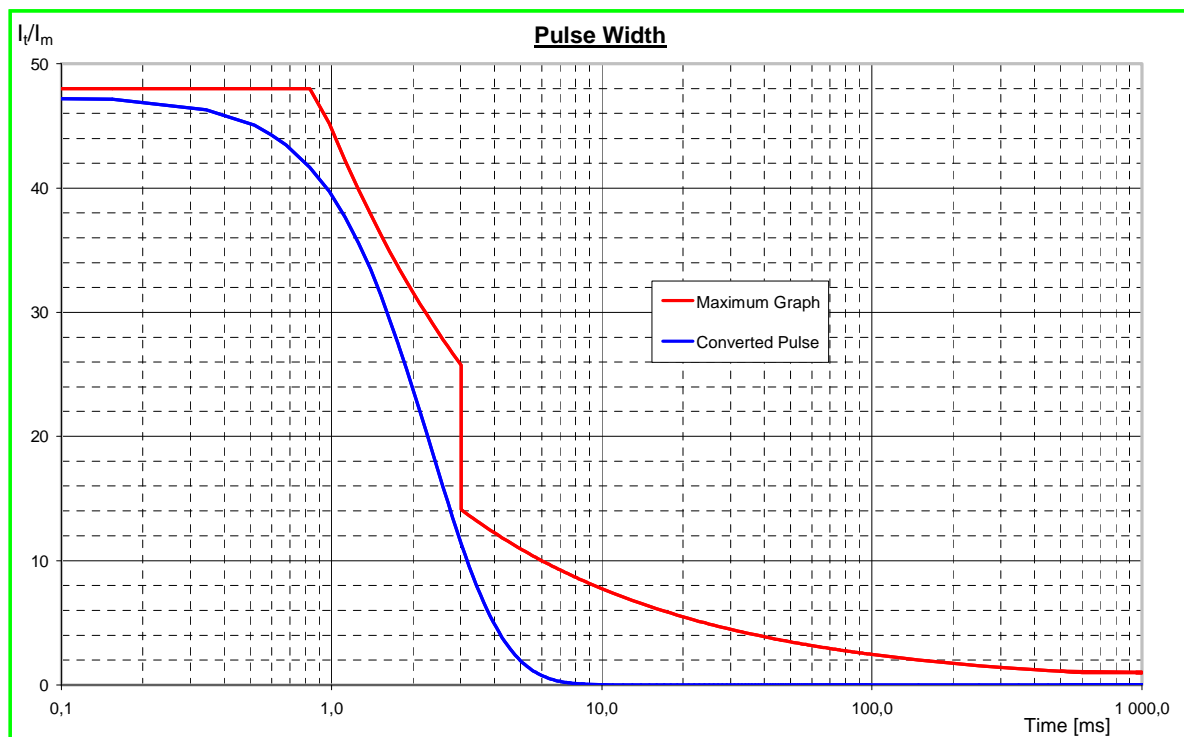
### C.2 Pulse waveform transformation

- For a single pulse from the DC system, proceed as follows:
  - measure the width of the current pulse at different levels;

NOTE 1: Small magnitude current pulses (i.e. much lower than the inrush current limits) for charging RF filter capacitors should not be considered. Clause C.3 contains an example oscillogram showing measurements of typical equipment RF capacitor charging current and inrush current pulses.

- plot the current ratios against their corresponding time values points onto the limit curve of figure 4;
- draw an interpolation curve between the plotted points.

- b) The interpolation curve should not cross the limit curve at any point. Use more points from the recorded pulse in critical areas where the interpolated curve has insufficient accuracy. Figure C.2 shows the DC pulse of figure C.1 transferred onto the limit chart of figure 4.



**Figure C.2: Example of values for a typical inrush current ratio plotted against limit curve**

NOTE 2: Occasionally, more than one inrush pulse may appear, due to special arrangements for limiting the amplitude of single pulses or because the load (ICT equipment) starts in sequences. Under these conditions, the limit should be interpreted separately for each different start-up sequence where there is more than 1 second between each. The protective device in the distribution network should not operate.

- c) When from the ICT equipment there is more than one inrush current, this limit should be interpreted as shown in figure C.3 - the width obtained is the addition of the width of the individual pulses (e.g. 1,6 ms + 0,8 ms). This is depends on the frequency and the level of the impulses as well as the time for demagnetisation of the anchor in the circuit breaker.

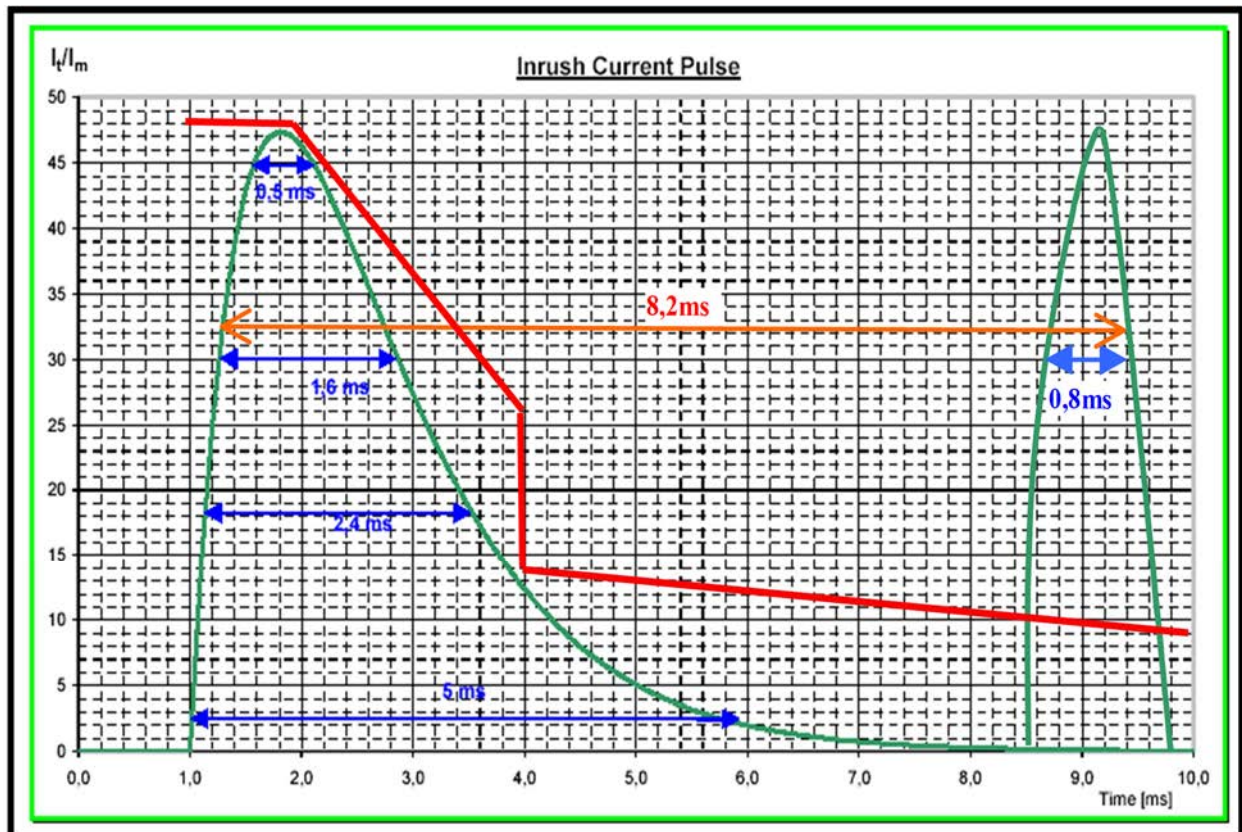
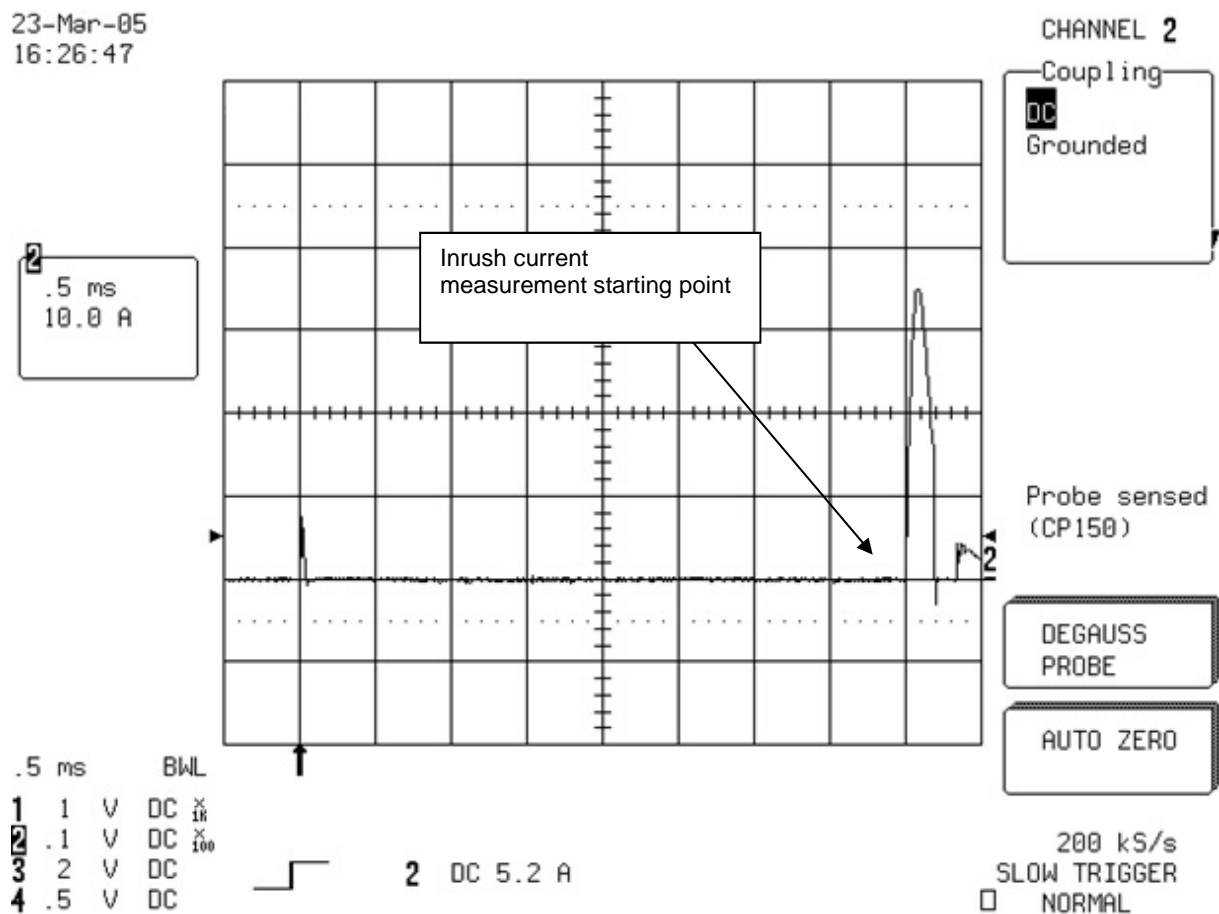


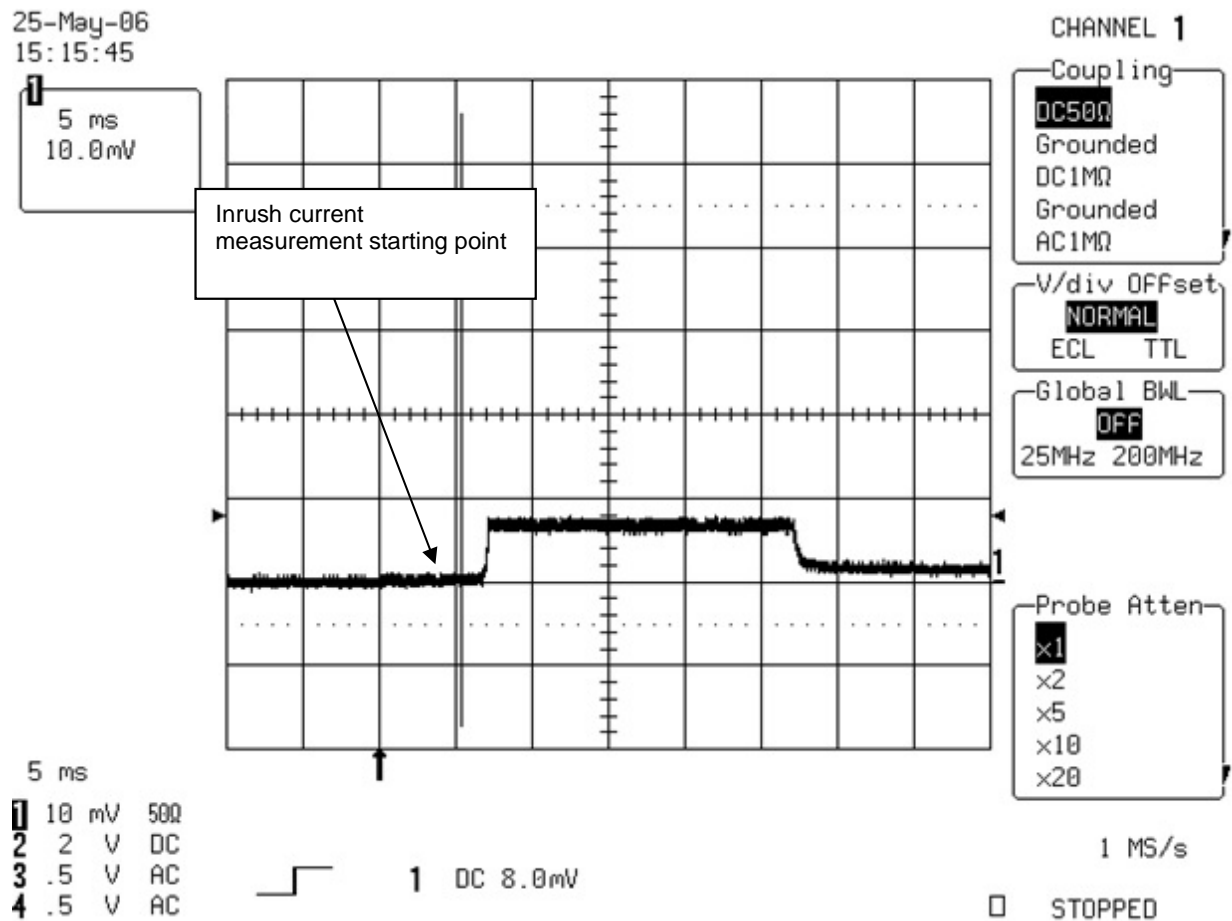
Figure C.3: The width obtained is the addition of the width of the individual pulses (1,6 ms + 0,8 ms)

### C.3 Measurement of inrush current with filter capacitor current pulses



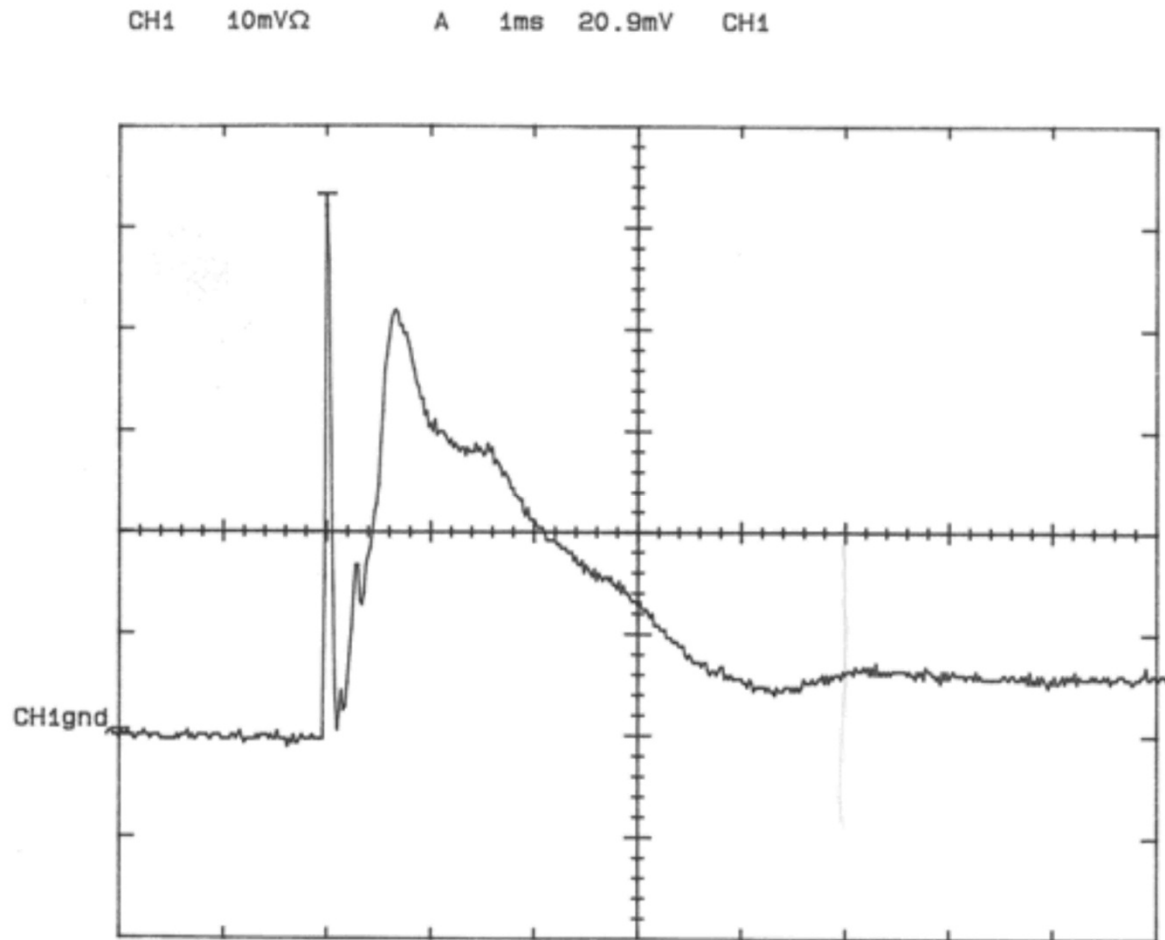
NOTE: In this example the inrush current measurement starting point is set at the beginning of the biggest pulse.

**Figure C.4: Example of inrush current measurement with evidence of a pulse due to a filter capacitor**



NOTE: In this example the inrush current measurement starting point is set at the beginning of the single pulse.

**Figure C.5: Example of inrush current measurement with no evidence of a pulse due to a filter capacitor**



NOTE: In this example the inrush current measurement starting point is set at the beginning of the filter capacitor charging pulse.

**Figure C.6: Example of inrush current measurement with no separation between the filter capacitor charging pulse and inrush current pulse (note time scale)**

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## Annex D (informative): Test arrangements for the injection of electrical noise at interface "A"

- a) Clause 4.8 defines the maximum levels of noise, which may be present at interface "A". The method of injecting noise for testing purposes is not critical provided that the maximum levels in clause 4.8 for narrowband noise are not exceeded.
- b) The test configuration shown in figure 7 is an example of how noise may be injected at interface "A". Further details of this test may be found in MIL-STD-461E [i.6]. The required ratio  $Z_c \ll Z_m$  is fulfilled with:

$$C = 10\,000\ \mu\text{F} \text{ and } |Z_{c, 25\ \text{Hz}}| = 640\ \text{m}\Omega.$$



## Annex E (informative): Wideband noise

### E.0 Wideband noise

In the following clauses, the measurement procedure and the calculation method of wideband emissions are described.

### E.1 Emission of wideband noise

#### E.1.0 General

This test is applicable to ICT equipment intended to be connected to a DC power distribution network where analogue telephone exchange equipment are connected.

Conducted emission requirements are not applicable to equipment installed in shelters and street cabinets.

In this annex E, the maximum wideband noise level present on the interface "A" is defined.

The maximum wideband noise levels should be as follows:

- a) 25 Hz to 5 kHz:  $P_{\text{pso}} = 0,08 \mu\text{W}$  ( $U_{\text{pso,eff}} = 2 \text{ mV}$  measured on  $50 \Omega$ ): (via ITU-T Weighting Filter for commercial telephone circuits, see Recommendation ITU-T O.41 [i.8]);

NOTE: In Recommendations ITU-T Q.551 [i.1], Q.552 [i.2], Q.553 [i.3] and Q.554 [i.4] (digital exchanges) the analogue noise contribution is limited to 200 picowatts psophometrically weighted, corresponding to  $-67 \text{ dBm}_p$  (reference 1 mW). This limitation may require dedicated precautions to reduce the reinjected noise on the DC distribution to a lower level (e.g.  $0,4 \text{ mV}_{\text{pso,rms}}$ ).

- b) 25 Hz to 20 kHz:  $U_{\text{rms}} = 20 \text{ mV}$ : (flat/unweighted).

Both measurements should be made with a psophometer conforming to Recommendation ITU-T O.41 [i.8]. The measurement circuit should be as shown in figure 9. During the measurement the ICT equipment should be powered at the nominal voltage ( $-48 \text{ VDC}$ ) of interface "A" and the rated load condition.

#### E.1.1 Assessment of wideband noise

Wideband (psophometric) noise can be measured or calculated using the guidance given in Recommendation ITU-T O.41 [i.8].

### E.2 How to calculate wideband emission

The results of the measure of the noise emitted in the DC line obtained using the narrowband methods defined in clause 4.9 can be used to obtain the value of the wideband noise via a simple calculation.

The measurements should be made with a psophometer conforming to Recommendation ITU-T O.41 [i.8].

Recommendation ITU-T O.41 [i.8] contains the definition of the psophometric weighting filter.

The measured power is defined by this formula:

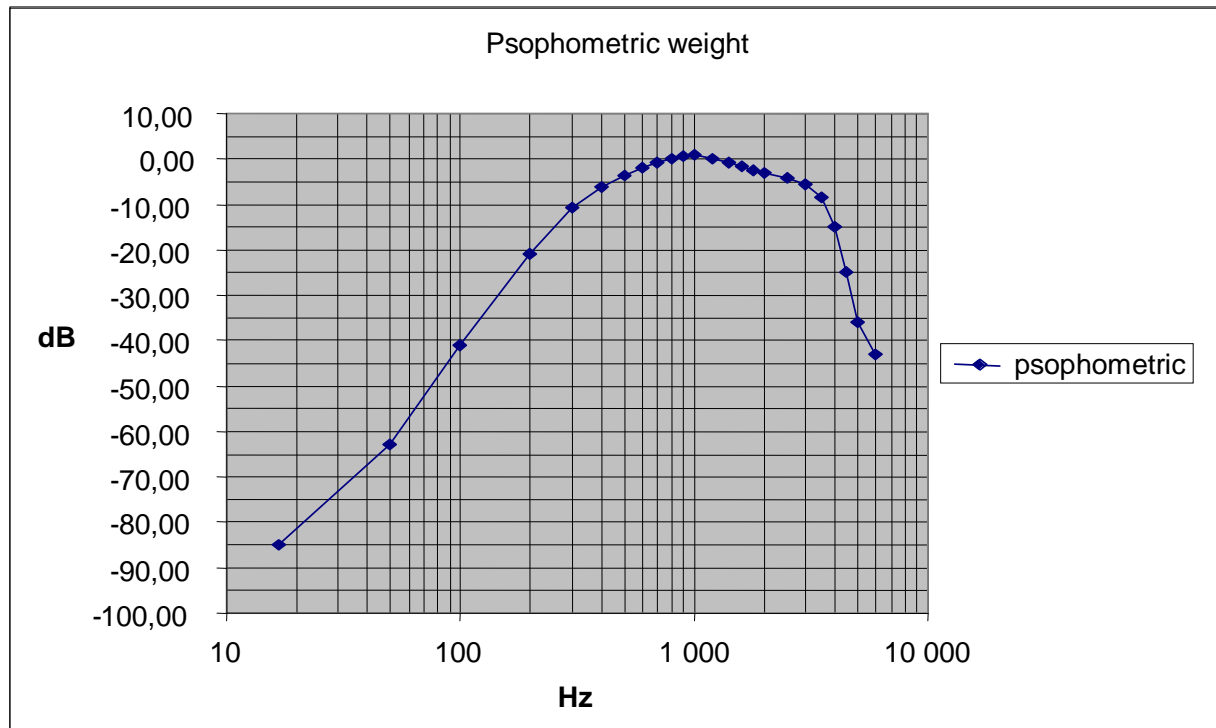
$$P_p = \frac{1}{(F2-F1)} \int_{F1}^{F2} \frac{V^2(f)}{10^{-3} |Z_n(Fo)|} 10^{W(f)/10} df$$

$P_p$  is the psophometric power  $W(f)$  is the weighting filter of the psophometer with the limiting frequencies  $F_1 = 16,66$  Hz and  $F_2 = 6$  kHz as given in table E.1.  $Z_n(F_0)$  is the input impedance of the instrument at the reference frequency  $F_0$ .  $V$  is the unknown voltage to be measured.

The weighting filter is reported in table E.1 and shown in figure E.1.

**Table E.1: Psophometric weight**

Frequency (Hz)	Relative weight (dB)
16,66	-85,0
50	-63,0
100	-41,0
200	-21,0
300	-10,6
400	-6,3
500	-3,6
600	-2,0
700	-0,9
800	0,0
900	+0,6
1 000	+1,0
1 200	0,0
1 400	-0,9
1 600	-1,7
1 800	-2,4
2 000	-3,0
2 500	-4,2
3 000	-5,6
3 500	-8,5
4 000	-15,0
4 500	-25,0
5 000	-36,0
6 000	-43,0

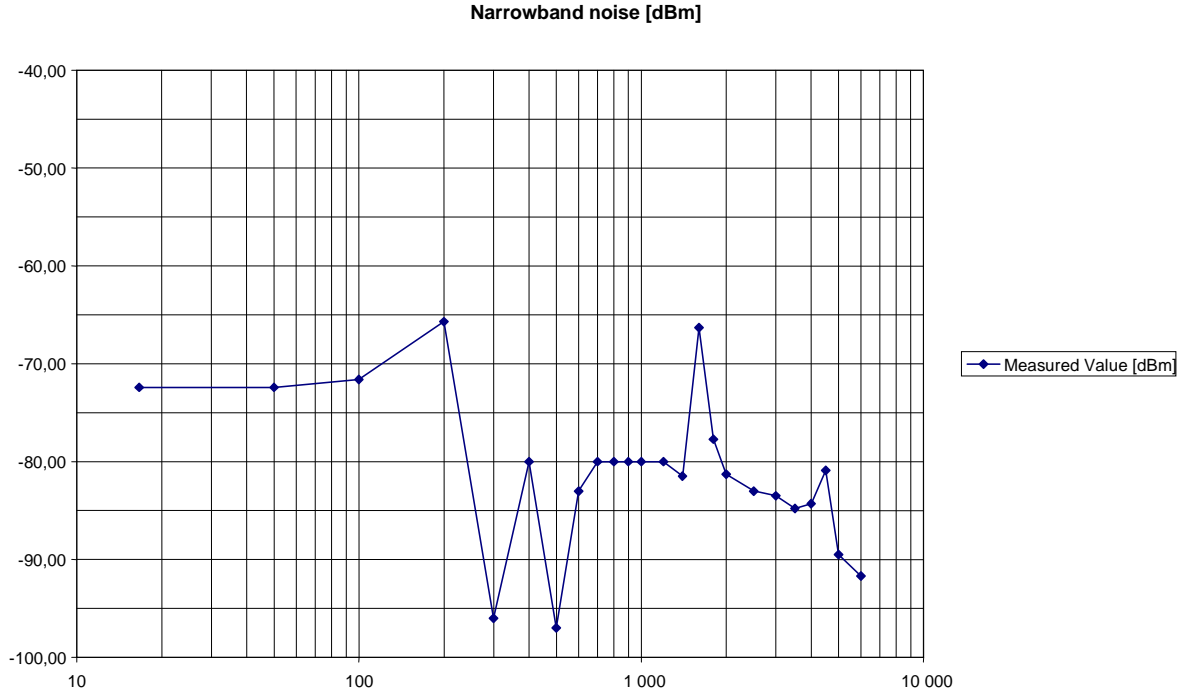


**Figure E.1: Psophometric filter frequency response**

Starting with measurements obtained from using the narrowband method it is possible to calculate the result of total power using the formula given above.

However, the calculation can be done using a simplified approximate method.

For example consider the measured noise shown in figure E.2.



**Figure E.2: Example of narrowband measure**

In table format, the noise measured has the values reported in table E.2. The values are given at the frequency reported in table E.2. The simplified method considers only the noise and the weighting factor at some frequencies and substitutes the integral calculation of the formula with a simple sum.

With this assumption the formula is:

$$P_w = \sum 10^{(P_{noise}(f) + W(f))/10}$$

In this formula:

- $P_{noise}(f)$  is the value of the noise power in dBm at frequency  $f$ .
- $W(f)$  is the value of the weighting filter at frequency  $f$  in dB.
- $P_w$  is the value of the wideband noise with the ITU-T Weighting Filter;  $P_w$  is expressed in mW.
- The unweighted noise can be calculated with the same method considering the weight equal to 0 dB.

In the example of the noise of figure E.2, applying the formula above results in a value of weighted wideband noise of:  $2,41436E-07$  mW (-66 dBm) corresponding to  $3,5 \mu V$ .

**Table E.2: Narrowband values**

<b>Frequency (Hz)</b>	<b>Measured Value (dBm)</b>
16,66	-72,40
50	-72,40
100	-71,60
200	-65,70
300	-96,00
400	-80,00
500	-97,00
600	-83,00
700	-80,00
800	-80,00
900	-80,00
1 000	-80,00
1 200	-80,00
1 400	-81,50
1 600	-66,30
1 800	-77,70
2 000	-81,30
2 500	-83,00
3 000	-83,50
3 500	-84,80
4 000	-84,30
4 500	-80,90
5 000	-89,50
6 000	-91,70

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## Annex F (informative): Protection dimensioning

It is common practice to use fuses or circuit breakers in the DC network distribution with a sizing factor greater than 1,5 times  $I_m$ .

This takes into account:

- The maximum steady state current into interface "A" at the minimum voltage of the normal service voltage range, i.e. -40,5 VDC (because at constant power, the current increases when the voltage at interface "A" decreases).
- The maximum inrush current according to figure 4.
- Some margin with regards to temperature deviation, technology, ageing, delatch mechanism, etc. It is not recommended to load fuses and breakers with the rated trip current (e.g. 90 % or less).
- Equipment inrush current can cause circuit breaker mechanism to "de-latch" earlier than indicated by circuit-breaker time/current characteristic. After de-latching of the circuit-breakers the contacts will open even if the current falls to zero. De-latching performance should therefore be considered when selecting circuit breakers.

## Annex G (informative): Effects of protective device operation transients in the power distribution

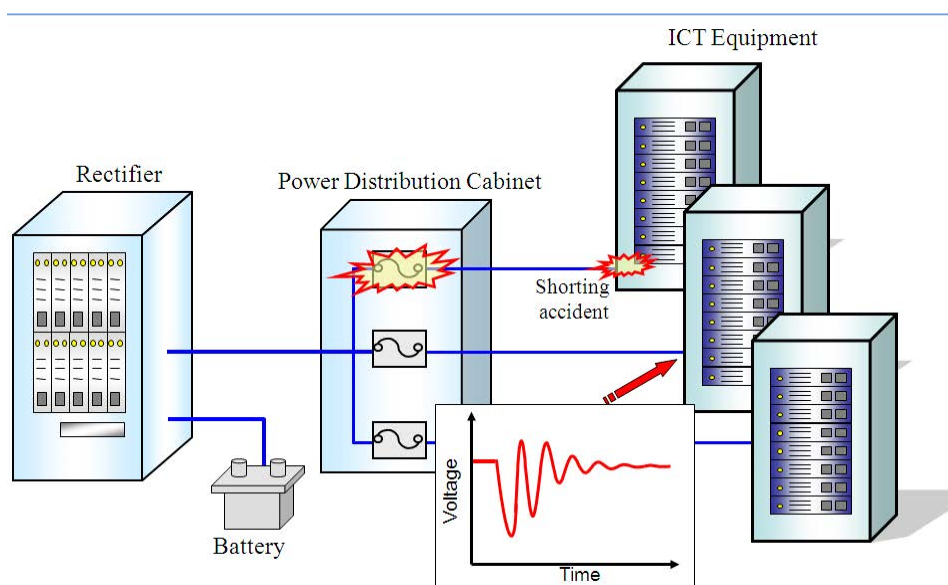
A protective device operation transient results from a low impedance fault to ground on the equipment side of a protective device (fuse or circuit breaker) connected to a power distribution bus. The bus voltage is reduced due to high current flowing to ground through the protective device and the short circuit to ground. When the protective device opens, the release energy stored in the inductance of the bus causes an initial high voltage overshoot of short duration, followed by a longer interval voltage overshoot that decays toward the steady state bus voltage.

In the present document, in clause 4.3, tests are defined to verify the susceptibility of the equipment when a short circuit or overload condition occurs on the power distribution bus.

The technique to reduce the propagation effect of a short circuit or overload condition on the power distribution bus (i.e. transient voltage dip at Interface A) is to isolate the fault. The fault isolation can be achieved using High-Ohmic Distributions (HOD) or Low-Ohmic Distributions (LODs).

In HOD, the equipment and the subparts of the equipment, are connected separately to the battery with sufficient impedance. The high impedance can be achieved with long cables and in some cases additional resistors are installed. With this distribution the undervoltage effects are reduced on the other equipment connected to the battery.

In LOD, the equipment and the subparts of the equipment are connected to the battery with as low impedance as possible and hold-up capacitors are installed at the power entrance point of the equipment, or equipment subparts, to reduce the undervoltage effects in case of short circuit of one of equipment.



**Figure G.1: Example of transient voltage impact**

## Annex H (normative):

### Verification of measurement network defined in clause 4.9

The measurement test bench defined in clause 4.9 shall be verified to determine whether an attenuation is introduced by the decoupling capacitor  $Z_c$ . The verification of the test bench shall be done on a 50 Ohm system as described in figure H.1.

The verification shall be performed connecting a signal generator at the port of the measurement network where the EUT will be connected as described in figure H.1. Then, the signal generator shall be set to generate a test voltage of  $X$  dB $\mu$ V in the frequency range 20 Hz to 20 kHz and the reading on the measurement receiver shall be of  $X$  dB $\mu$ V  $\pm 2$  % in the entire frequency range. If the reading of the measurement receiver is outside the tolerance of  $\pm 2$  % in respect to the generator signal, then the attenuation (i.e. Insertion Loss) of the network shall be determined with the following formula:

$$IL = X - Y$$

Where:

- IL: Insertion Loss
- X: voltage level at the generator port (in dB $\mu$ V)
- Y: voltage level at the measurement receiver port (in dB $\mu$ V)

The attenuation IL of the network shall be considered in the emission of the EUT measurements and the IL values shall be added to the EUT measured values to determine the compliance with the limits of figure 8.

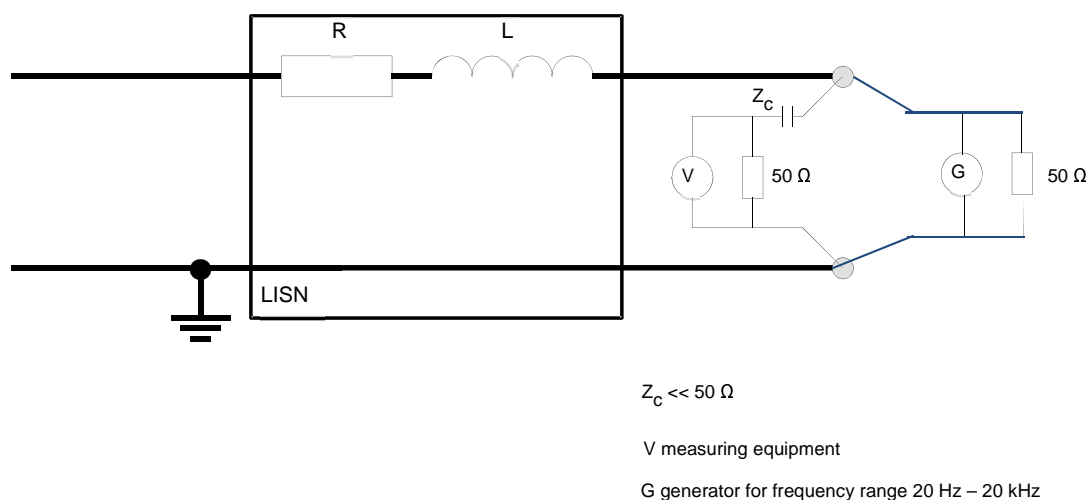


Figure H.1

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## Annex J (informative): Change history

Date	Version	Information about changes
June 2024	V.2.8.1	Changes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Clause 4.2: Clarification of voltage variation tests in Normal service range</li><li>- Clause 4.3.2: Clarification of voltage variation tests in Abnormal service range</li><li>- Clause 4.7: added the voltages at which the inrush current measurements have to be performed</li></ul>

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