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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 standards EN Approval Procedure.

The present document is part 1 of a multi-part deliverable covering Environmental Engineering (EE); Power supply interface at the input to Information and Communication Technology (ICT) equipment, as identified below:

**Part 1: "Operated by Alternating Current (AC) source";**

Part 2: "Operated by -48 V direct current (dc)";

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# 1 Scope

With reference to clause 4, the present document contains requirements for:

- the output of the power supply feeding interface A3ac;
- the input of the ICT equipment connected to interface A3ac.

The voltage at interface A3ac defined in the present document is single phase and three phase AC.

The following voltage range categories are covered:

- A3ac-1: narrow single and three phase AC voltage range defined to comply with nominal European AC voltages [6].
- A3ac-2: wide single and three phase AC voltage range for worldwide nominal AC voltages.

The present document aims at providing compatibility between the power supply equipment and both the ICT equipment, and the different load units connected to the same interface A3ac (e.g. control/monitoring, cooling system, etc.).

The purpose of the present document is:

- to identify a power supply system with the same characteristics for all ICT equipment defined in the area of application; the area of application may be any location where the interface A3 is used i.e. telecommunication centres, Radio Base Stations, datacentres and customer premises;
- to facilitate interworking of different (types of) loads;
- to facilitate the standardization of power supply systems for ICT equipment;
- to facilitate the installation, operation and maintenance in the same network of ICT equipment and systems from different origins. General requirements for safety and EMC are out of the scope of the present document series unless specific requirement not defined in existing safety or EMC standards.

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

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## 2 References

### 2.1 Normative references

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- [1] IEC 60947-2: "Low-voltage switchgear and controlgear - Part 2: Circuit-breakers".
- [2] IEC 60269-1: "Low-voltage fuses - Part 1: General requirements".
- [3] IEC 61000-4-5: "Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-5: Testing and measurement techniques - Surge immunity test".

- [4] IEC 61000-4-11:2004: "Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4-11: Testing and measurement techniques - Voltage dips, short interruptions and voltage variations immunity tests".
- [5] Void.
- [6] IEC 60038:2011: "IEC standard voltages".
- [7] ETSI EN 300 132-3: "Environmental Engineering (EE); Power supply interface at the input to telecommunications equipment; Part 3: Operated by rectified current source, alternating current source or direct current source up to 400 V".

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- [i.1] ETSI ETS 300 132-1: "Environmental Engineering (EE); Power supply interface at the input to Information and Communication Technology (ICT) equipment; Part 1: Operated by Alternating Current (AC) source".
- [i.2] Void.
- [i.3] IEC 60050-601: "International Electrotechnical Vocabulary. Chapter 601: Generation, transmission and distribution of electricity - General".
- [i.4] ETSI EN 300 253: "Environmental Engineering (EE); Earthing and bonding of ICT equipment powered by -48 VDC in telecom and data centres".
- [i.5] ETSI EN 300 386: "Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM); Telecommunication network equipment; ElectroMagnetic Compatibility (EMC) requirements".
- [i.6] IEC 60950-1: "Information technology equipment - Safety - Part 1: General requirements".
- [i.7] CENELEC EN 62368-1 (Ed. 1.0): "Audio/Video, Information and Communication Technology Equipment - Part 1: Safety requirements".
- [i.8] IEC 60445: "Basic and safety principle for man-machine interface, marking and identification- Identification of equipment terminals, conductor terminations, and conductors".
- [i.9] IEC 60898-1:2015: "Electrical accessories - Circuit-breakers for overcurrent protection for household and similar installations - Part 1: Circuit-breakers for a.c. operation".
- [i.10] IEC 60898-2: "Electrical accessories - Circuit-breakers for overcurrent protection for household and similar installations - Part 2: Circuit-breakers for a.c. and d.c. operation".
- [i.11] IEC 60364-5-54:2011: "Low-voltage electrical installations - Part 5-54: Selection and erection of electrical equipment - Earthing arrangements and protective conductors".
- [i.12] CENELEC EN 61000-3-2:2006: "Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 3-2: Limits - Limits for harmonic current emissions (equipment input current  $\leq 16$  A per phase)".
- [i.13] CENELEC EN 61000-3-3:2013: "Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 3-3: Limits - Limitation of voltage changes, voltage fluctuations and flicker in public low-voltage supply systems, for equipment with rated current  $\leq 16$  A per phase and not subject to conditional connection".
- [i.14] IEC 62040 series: "Uninterruptible power systems (UPS)".

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## 3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

### 3.1 Definitions

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

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

**area of application:** any location where the interface A3ac is used i.e. telecommunication centres, Radio Base Stations, datacentres and customer premises

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

**ICT equipment:** Information and Communication Technology Equipment

**interface A:** interface, physical point, at which -48 VDC power supply is connected in order to operate the ICT equipment

**interface A3:** interface, physical point, at which 400 VDC power supply is connected in order to operate the ICT equipment

**interface A3ac:** interface, physical point, at which AC power supply is connected in order to operate the ICT equipment

NOTE: A3ac-1 and A3ac-2 are also used for different voltage ranges.

**load unit:** power consuming equipment, that is part of a system block

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

**normal operating condition:** typical environmental and powering conditions for operation of ICT equipment, power supply, power distribution and battery

**normal operating voltage:** typical value of the voltage at A3ac interface within the normal operating voltage range

**normal operating voltage range:** voltage range at A3ac interface where the system operates most of the time, e.g. in general linked to battery floating voltage

**normal service:** service mode where ICT equipment operates within its specification

**normal service voltage range:** range of the steady-state voltage at the A3ac interface over which the equipment will maintain normal service

**operating voltage:** value of the voltage under normal conditions, at a given instant and a given point (A3ac interface) of the system

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

**reference test voltage:** voltage used as a reference to define the test voltage in the present document

NOTE: The test voltage may be also a percentage of this voltage.

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

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



## 3.2 Symbols

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

$I_m$	maximum steady state current drain at interface A3ac
$I_t$	Instantaneous surge current at interface A3ac
$I_{UT}$	maximum steady state current drain at $U_T$ at interface A3ac

## 3.3 Abbreviations

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

AC Alternating Current

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

DC Direct Current

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

EMC ElectroMagnetic Compatibility

EUT Equipment Under Test

HOD High-Ohmic Distributions

ICT Information and Communication Technology

LOD Low-Ohmic Distribution

N Neutral conductor

PE Protective Earth

RMS Root Mean Square

$U_T$  Reference Test Voltage

VAC Volts Alternating Current

VDC Volts Direct Current

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## 4 Interface A3ac

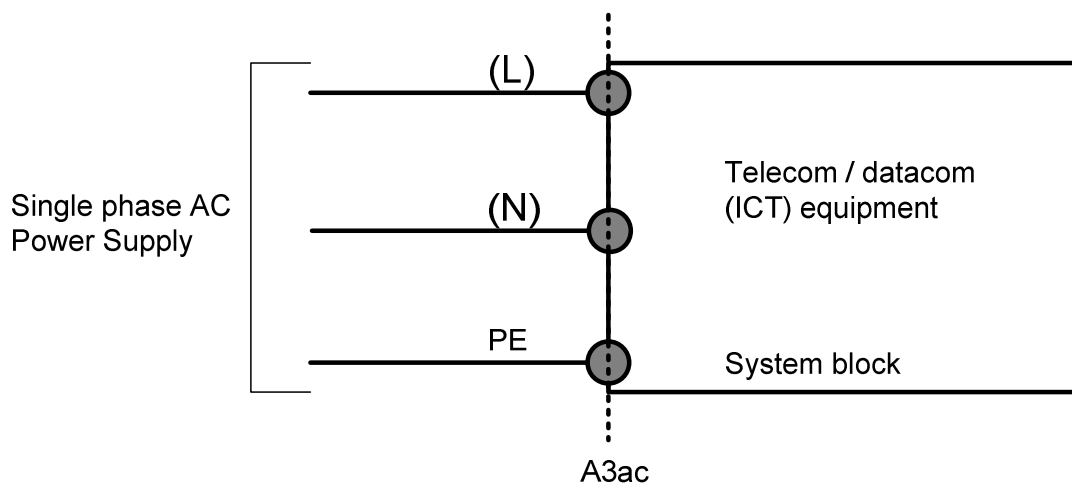
The power supply interface, interface A3ac of figure 1, is a physical point to which all the requirements are related. This point is situated between the power supply system(s) and the power consuming ICT equipment of the area of application defined in the scope of the present document.

An example of configurations in which interface A3ac is identified is given in annex B.

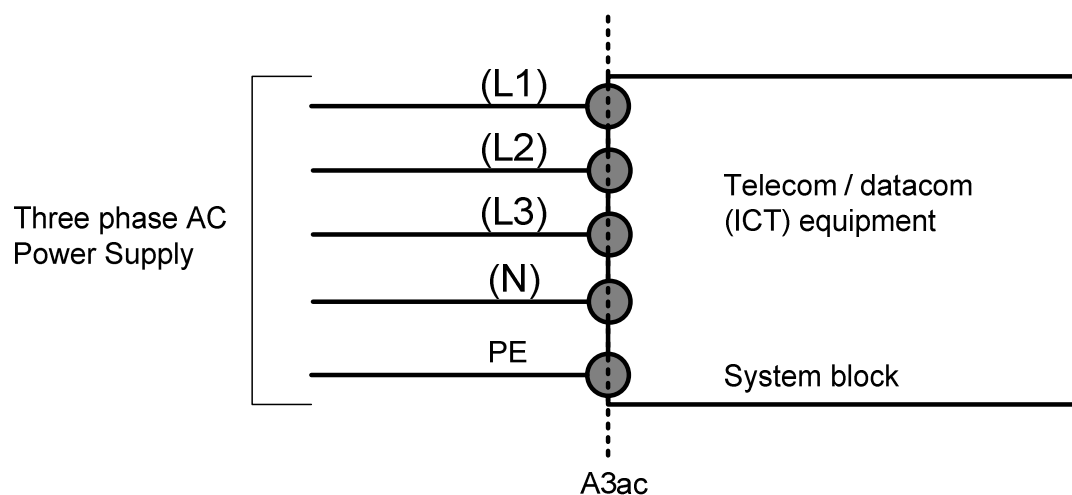
Interface A3ac is located at the power terminals of the ICT equipment or system as defined by the manufacturer in accordance to IEC 60445 [i.8].

NOTE 1: Subject to the installation preconditions, this point may be located at any other point between the power supply system and the ICT equipment by mutual agreement of the relevant parties.

NOTE 2: The power supply can be derived from AC grid e.g. through AC bypass of UPS or inverters.



- (L) Live AC terminal in single phase supply.  
 (N) Neutral AC terminal.  
 PE Protective Earth.



- (L1, L2, L3) Live AC terminals in 3 phases supply.  
 (N) Optional Neutral AC terminal.  
 PE Protective Earth.

**Figure 1: General identification of the interface A3ac in single and 3 phase AC supply**

## 5 AC interface requirements (A3ac)

### 5.0 Introduction

The definition of the AC interface voltages ranges and typical operating voltage values are defined in following clauses of the present clause 5.

### 5.1 Nominal voltage at interface A3ac

The nominal voltage is a normative definition used to enable differentiating power interfaces as defined in IEC 60050-601 [i.3].

The nominal voltage for an AC source of 230 V single phase and 400 V three phase is defined according to IEC 60038 [6].

In addition, a wide worldwide nominal single phase AC voltage range from 100 V to 240 V is commonly used, along with a corresponding nominal 3 phase voltage range from 173 V to 415 V.

NOTE: Nominal voltage range (without tolerance) is defined in IEC 60950-1 [i.6].

## 5.2 Normal service voltage range categories at interface A3ac

The normal service voltage range categories at powering interface A3ac of ICT equipment shall be as follows:

### A3ac-1 narrow single phase voltage range:

- A3ac-1 single phase minimum voltage: 197 VAC RMS (line to neutral interface)
- A3ac-1 single phase maximum voltage: 253 VAC RMS (line to neutral interface)

NOTE 1: The minimum voltage at interface A3ac-1 is calculated as 230 V nominal -10 % at the incoming supply terminals of a building and a further -4 % maximum voltage drop allowance on the AC distribution within the building.

NOTE 2: The maximum voltage at interface A3ac-1 is calculated as 230 V nominal +10 %.

### A3ac-1 narrow three phase voltage range:

- A3ac-1 three phase minimum voltage:
  - 344 VAC RMS for line to line interface;
  - or optionally same voltage as narrow single phase minimum voltage for line to neutral interface.
- A3ac-1 three phase maximum voltage:
  - 440 VAC RMS for line to line interface;
  - or optionally same voltage as narrow single phase maximum voltage in case of line to neutral interface.

NOTE 3: The minimum voltage at interface A3ac-1 is calculated as 400 V nominal -10 % at the incoming supply terminals of a building and a further -4 % maximum voltage drop allowance on the AC distribution within the building.

NOTE 4: The maximum voltage at interface A3ac-1 is calculated as 400 V nominal +10 %.

### A3ac-2 wide single phase voltage range:

- A3ac-2 single phase minimum voltage: 86 VAC RMS; (line to neutral interface).
- A3ac-2 single phase maximum voltage: 264 VAC RMS (line to neutral interface).

NOTE 5: The minimum voltage at interface A3ac-2 is calculated as 100 V nominal -10 % at the incoming supply terminals of a building and a further -4 % maximum voltage drop allowance on the AC distribution within the building.

NOTE 6: The maximum voltage at interface A3ac-2 is calculated as 240 V nominal +10 %.

### A3ac-2 wide three-phase voltage range:

- A3ac-2 minimum voltage:
  - 149 VAC RMS for line to line interface;
  - or optionally same voltage as narrow single phase minimum voltage for line to neutral interface.

- A3ac-2 maximum voltage:
  - 456 VAC RMS for line to line interface;
  - or optionally same voltage as narrow single phase maximum voltage for line to neutral interface.

NOTE 7: The minimum voltage at interface A3ac-2 is calculated as 173 V nominal -10 % at the incoming supply terminals of a building and a further -4 % maximum voltage drop allowance on the AC distribution within the building.

NOTE 8: The maximum voltage at interface A3ac-2 is calculated as 415 V nominal +10 %.

### 5.3 Reference test voltage ( $U_T$ ) at interface A3ac

The reference test voltage ( $U_T$ ) for ICT equipment is defined as:

- 1)  $U_T = 230$  V for single phase or 3 phase line to neutral equipment (test voltage for narrow voltage range)
- 2)  $U_T = 400$  V for three-phase equipment (test voltage for narrow voltage range line to line)

An additional test voltage for wide voltage range equipment is defined as:

- 1)  $U_T = 100/240$  V for single phase or 3 phase line to neutral equipment (test voltage for wide voltage range)
- 2)  $U_T = 173/415$  V for three-phase equipment (test voltage for wide voltage range line to line)

NOTE 1: The powering solution should work in any site even with very long power cables i.e.  $U_T$  at the input of ICT equipment is lower than power supply output. For constant power ICT equipment, the current is increasing as a function of decreasing voltage.

NOTE 2: The reference voltage  $U_T$  for DC is defined in ETSI EN 300 132-3 [7].

### 5.4 Abnormal service voltage ranges at interface A3ac

The ICT equipment may be subjected to steady state voltage out of the normal service voltage range. Limits of abnormal service voltage range are defined as follows:

- $0 \text{ V} < U < 197 \text{ V}$  for narrow range single phase (line to neutral interface)
- $0 \text{ V} < U < 86 \text{ V}$  for wide range single phase (line to neutral interface)
- $0 \text{ V} < U < 344 \text{ V}$  for narrow range three phases (line to line interface)
- $0 \text{ V} < U < 149 \text{ V}$  for wide range three phases (line to line interface)

After the restoration of the supply from the abnormal service voltage range to the normal service voltage range, the ICT equipment shall fulfil the following performance criteria:

- the ICT equipment shall not suffer any damage;
- the ICT equipment shall be able to automatically resume operation according to its specifications when the voltage comes back into the normal service voltage range.

NOTE: The second criterion implies that abnormal service voltage should not lead to the disconnection of power supply units e.g. by causing circuit breakers, fuses or other such devices to operate.

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## 6 Voltage variations, voltage dips, short interruptions and voltage surges at interface A3ac

### 6.0 Introduction

Under abnormal conditions, voltage values outside the normal service voltage range may occur for short time.

The deviations from the steady-state voltage at the A3ac interface may be caused by:

- Voltage variations.
- Voltage dips.
- Voltage interruptions.
- Voltage surges.

The tests for voltage dips, short interruption and voltage variations shall be conducted in accordance with standard IEC 61000-4-11 [4].

NOTE 1: Clause 6.1.1 of IEC 61000-4-11 [4] defines generator output impedance.

The tests for voltage surges shall be conducted in accordance with standard IEC 61000-4-5 [3].

Specific criteria to ICT equipment are defined in each test table below. The detailed specification of the generator is in annex F. The tests shall be performed on individual modules/subsystems.

The test shall be done at the test voltages corresponding to the voltage range of the product defined in clause 5.3.

In 3 phases, the defined tests shall be done on 1, 2 and 3 phases, to cover all events (grid disturbance from or interruption, local line short circuit, etc.).

NOTE 2: Clause 6 states the minimum requirements at AC A3ac power interface to Telecom/ICT input interface when power supply includes a bypass with AC input. Higher immunity levels may be required when equipment is directly connected to public utility AC grid.

For all the following tests compliance criteria are defined as:

- Criteria a): The apparatus shall continue to operate as intended during and after the test. No degradation of performance or loss of function is allowed below a performance level specified by the manufacturer, when the apparatus is used as intended.
- Criteria b): Temporary loss of function or degradation of performance, which ceases after the disturbance ceases, and from which the equipment under test recovers its normal performance, without operator intervention.

NOTE 3: In the present document, the apparatus is the ICT equipment.

### 6.1 Voltage variations

The purpose of the following tests are not to check equipment dynamic behaviour during rise and fall times from  $U_T$  to minimum or maximum voltage of the voltage range and then back to  $U_T$ . Therefore  $dV/dt$  are not specified. The voltages values, testing times and test criteria are defined in the following tables.

**Table 1: Narrow voltage range Single phase**

<b>Voltage</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Compliance Criteria on ICT equipment</b>	<b>Comments</b>
From $U_T$ to 197 V, back to $U_T$	1 min	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of minimum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.
From $U_T$ to 253 V, back to $U_T$	1 min	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of maximum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.

**Table 2: Narrow voltage range Three phase (Line to Line)**

<b>Voltage</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Compliance Criteria on ICT equipment</b>	<b>Comments</b>
From $U_T$ to 344 V, back to $U_T$	1 min	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of minimum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.
From $U_T$ to 440 V, back to $U_T$	1 min	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of maximum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.

**Table 3: Wide voltage range Single phase**

<b>Voltage</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Compliance Criteria on ICT equipment</b>	<b>Comments</b>
From $U_T$ to 86 V, back to $U_T$	1 min	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of minimum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.
From $U_T$ to 264 V, back to $U_T$	1 min	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of maximum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.

**Table 4: Wide voltage range Three-phase (Line to Line)**

<b>Voltage</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Compliance Criteria on ICT equipment</b>	<b>Comments</b>
From $U_T$ to 149 V, back to $U_T$	1 min	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of minimum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.
From $U_T$ to 457 V, back to $U_T$	1 min	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of maximum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.

## 6.2 Voltages dips

**Table 5: Narrow voltage range Single phase**

<b>Voltage</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Compliance Criteria on ICT equipment</b>	<b>Comments</b>
From $U_T$ to 197 V, back to $U_T$	10 ms	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of minimum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.

**Table 6: Narrow voltage range Three phase (Line to Line)**

<b>Voltage</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Compliance Criteria on ICT equipment</b>	<b>Comments</b>
From $U_T$ to 344 V, back to $U_T$	10 ms	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of minimum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.

**Table 7: Wide voltage range Single phase**

Voltage	Duration	Compliance Criteria on ICT equipment	Comments
From $U_T$ to 86 V, back to $U_T$	10 ms	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of minimum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.

**Table 8: Wide voltage range Three-phase (Line to Line)**

Voltage	Duration	Compliance Criteria on ICT equipment	Comments
From $U_T$ to 149 V, back to $U_T$	10 ms	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of minimum operating voltage at A3ac within the normal service voltage range.

## 6.3 Short interruptions

**Table 9: Single phase and three phase**

Voltage	Supply Network	Duration	Compliance Criteria on ICT equipment	Comments
$U_T$ to 0 V back to $U_T$	Low Impedance (short circuit)	10 ms	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of holdup time during fault clearing due to a short-circuit in the system.

## 6.4 Voltage surges

Voltage surges may occur at interface A3ac when faults (e.g. short circuits) occur in the power distribution system.

The voltage surges due to short-circuit and protective device clearance are characterized by a voltage drop in the steady state abnormal service voltage range:

- 0 V to 197 V single phase narrow voltage range.
- 0 V to 344 V three-phase narrow voltage range.
- 0 V to 86 V single phase wide voltage range.
- 0 V to 149 V three-phase wide voltage range.

The voltage drop is followed by an overvoltage often in excess of the maximum steady state abnormal service voltage range and dependent upon the power distribution up to interface A3ac and the ICT equipment connected to interface A3ac.

The immunity test method for AC power line ports shall be in accordance to IEC 61000-4-5 [3].

NOTE 1: The purpose of the present clause is thus to address the energy and the subsequent so-called "Fuse blowing transient" associated with a short-circuit condition.

NOTE 2: Other voltage surges induced from other external sources belong to EMC generic requirements.

Table 10: Single phase and three phase

Test Voltage	Supply Network	Generator output impedance	Wave shape	Energy level reference	Compliance Criteria on ICT equipment	Comments
2 kV	Line to Line	2 $\Omega$	1,2/50 $\mu$ s (8/20 $\mu$ s)	1 Ws	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of voltage rise variation outside abnormal service voltage range (e.g. after fuse blow, switching).
2 kV	Line to ground	2 $\Omega$	1,2/50 $\mu$ s (8/20 $\mu$ s)	1 Ws	Criteria a) Normal performance	Test of voltage rise variation outside abnormal service voltage range (e.g. after fuse blow, switching).
4 kV	Line to line	2 $\Omega$	1,2/50 $\mu$ s (8/20 $\mu$ s)	10 Ws	Criteria b) Temporary loss of function degradation of performance, automatic recovery to Normal Performance after the test	Test of automatic system recovery after a line-to-line short-circuit condition.
4 kV	Line to ground	2 $\Omega$	1,2/50 $\mu$ s (8/20 $\mu$ s)	10 Ws	Criteria b) Temporary loss of function degradation of performance, automatic recovery to Normal Performance after the test	Test of automatic system recovery after a line-to-ground (line-to-PE) short-circuit condition.

NOTE 3: 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 4: To prevent system malfunctioning additional arrangements concerning the power supply system may be necessary.

For example:

- Dual feeding system.
- Independent power distribution.

NOTE 5: Special precautions are normally taken in power distribution network to fulfil compliance criteria a) for mission critical ICT equipment i.e. to prevent functional disturbances due to the voltage surges treated in the present clause.

## 7 AC Supply protection on interface A3ac

The supply at interface A3ac shall be protected, (when operating on AC current), by AC rated fuses in compliance with IEC 60269-1 [2] or AC rated circuits breakers in compliance with IEC 60947-2 [1].

NOTE: IEC 60269-1 [2] or IEC 60947-2 [1] are used for industrial installations, compared to IEC 60898-1 [i.9] and IEC 60898-2 [i.10] which are relevant to household installations (Noise free environment).

Annex E gives a guideline on the selection and sizing of the over-current protective devices.

The energy content of the inrush current shall also be taken into account when specifying the power supply system up to interface A3ac.



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## 8 Maximum steady state current $I_m$ in the normal service voltage range at interface A3ac

$I_m$  is defined for fully equipped and fully loaded ICT equipment considering the following requirements:

- the maximum steady state  $I_m$  shall be measured in the applicable normal service voltage ranges defined in clause 5;
- operating current at any voltage in the normal service voltage range shall not exceed  $I_m$  after 1 s.

NOTE: Fully equipped and loaded equipment is defined by the manufacturer. For customer equipment, there can be restricted performance at lower voltage range.

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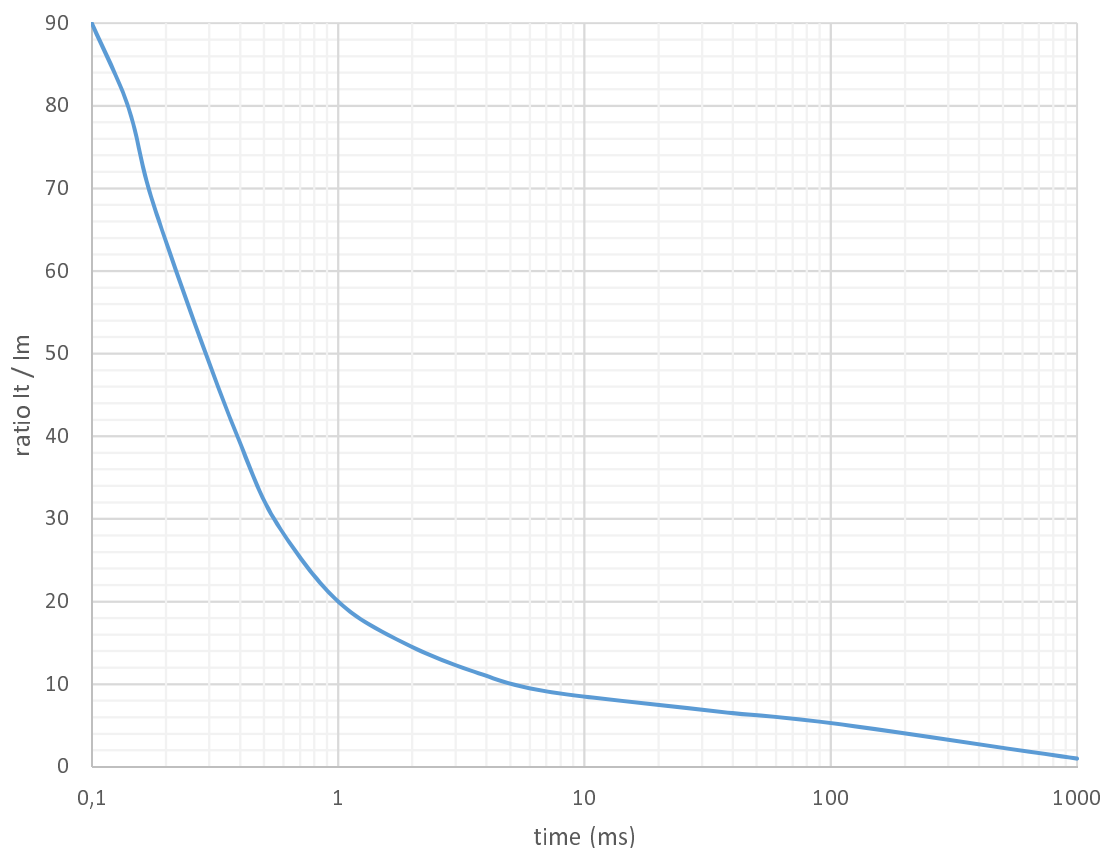
## 9 Inrush current on interface A3ac

### 9.1 Limits

The ratio of the instantaneous surge current  $I_t$  to maximum current  $I_m$  at interface "A", under any random sequence of switching operations, shall not exceed the limits shown in figure 2.

The parameters are defined as follows:

- $I_t$  inrush current (magnitude of instantaneous values);
- $I_m$  maximum input current (at ac rms), stated by the manufacturer, for a fully-equipped and loaded system block behind interface "A3ac".



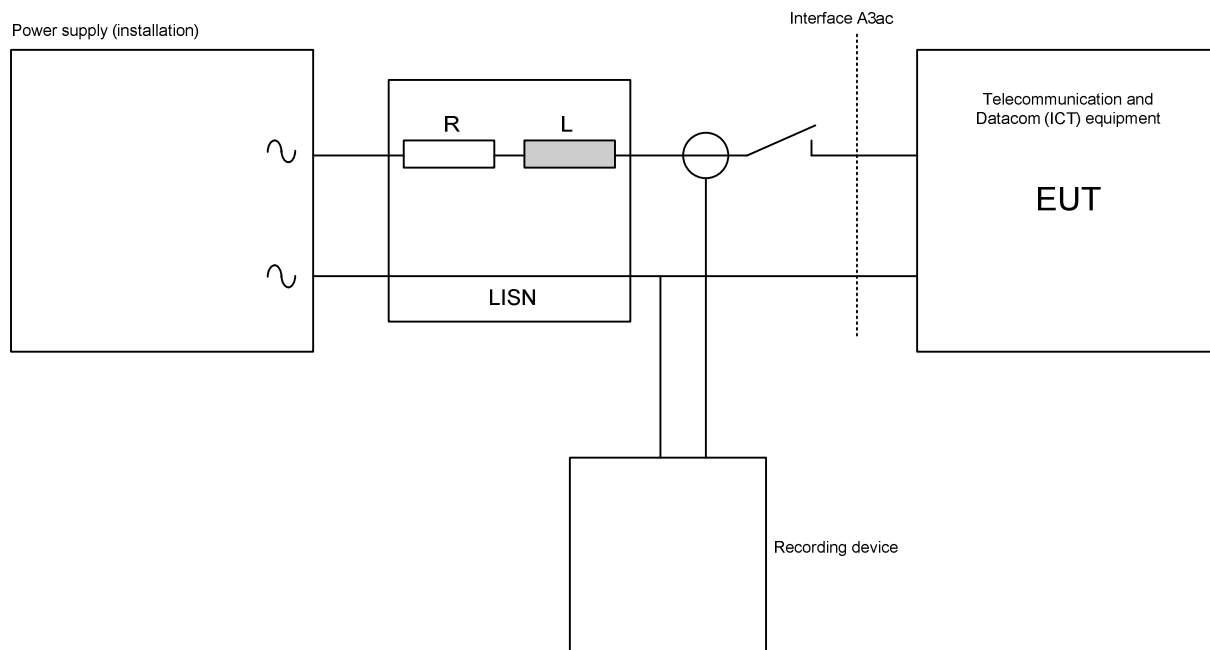
**Figure 2: Maximum (absolute magnitude) inrush current characteristic for telecommunications equipment**

## 9.2 Measurement method

The circuit for measuring the surge current drawn by the equipment shall be as shown in figure 3. The measurement shall be made with the telecommunications equipment powered at the nominal secondary voltage and rated load condition (annex B gives guidance on taking these measurements).

Test conditions:

- If the current sensor is a resistor, the value of the resistance  $R$  shall be reduced by the value of the resistance of the current sensor.
- Values for  $I_m$ ,  $R$  and  $L$  are:
  - $R = 200 \text{ m}\Omega$  (approximately 10 metres  $2 \times 1,5 \text{ mm}^2$  copper wiring).
  - $L = 10 \text{ }\mu\text{H}$  (approximately 10 metres  $2 \times 1,5 \text{ mm}^2$  copper wiring).
  - $I_m$  (as specified by the manufacturer).
  - The impedance of the supply network depends on the impedance of the conductors and the fuses. While carrying out the surge current test, the rms ac voltage at the input of the LISN, as shown in figure 3, should remain within limits by using a power supply with a low impedance in relation to that of the LISN.



**Figure 3: Surge current test circuit for ac interfaces on single phase AC equipment**

NOTE: For equipment with 3 phase AC power interfaces, the testing circuit shown in figure 3 needs to be duplicated for each phase.

### 9.3 Protective device ratings

The energy content of the inrush characteristic shall be taken into account when specifying the equipment and the protective devices between the power plant output and interface "A3ac".

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## 10 Earthing and Bonding

Earthing and bonding of telecommunications ICT equipment operated by AC current are not covered by the present document.

NOTE: Earthing and bonding for AC system are defined in ETSI EN 300 253 [i.4]. Earthing and bonding for alternating current (AC) source system are defined in IEC 60364-5-54 [i.11].

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## 11 Electrical Safety requirements

The safety requirements are not covered by the present document.

NOTE: Information technology equipment safety is defined in IEC 60950-1 [i.6] for mains-powered or battery-powered information technology equipment, including business equipment and associated equipment, with rated voltage not exceeding 600 V. CENELEC EN 62368-1 [i.7] brings some information. Electrical installation and power supply safety is covered by relevant IEC standards.

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## 12 EMC requirements at the input of ICT equipment

EMC requirements are not covered by the present document.

NOTE: Telecommunications ICT equipment EMC is defined in ETSI EN 300 386 [i.5], other EMC requirements for the building power distribution are covered by relevant IEC standards and interference between distribution are covered by relevant Recommendations ITU-T.  
On interface A3ac the requirements of the standard CENELEC EN 61000-3-2 [i.12] for harmonics and CENELEC EN 61000-3-3 [i.13] flickers apply.

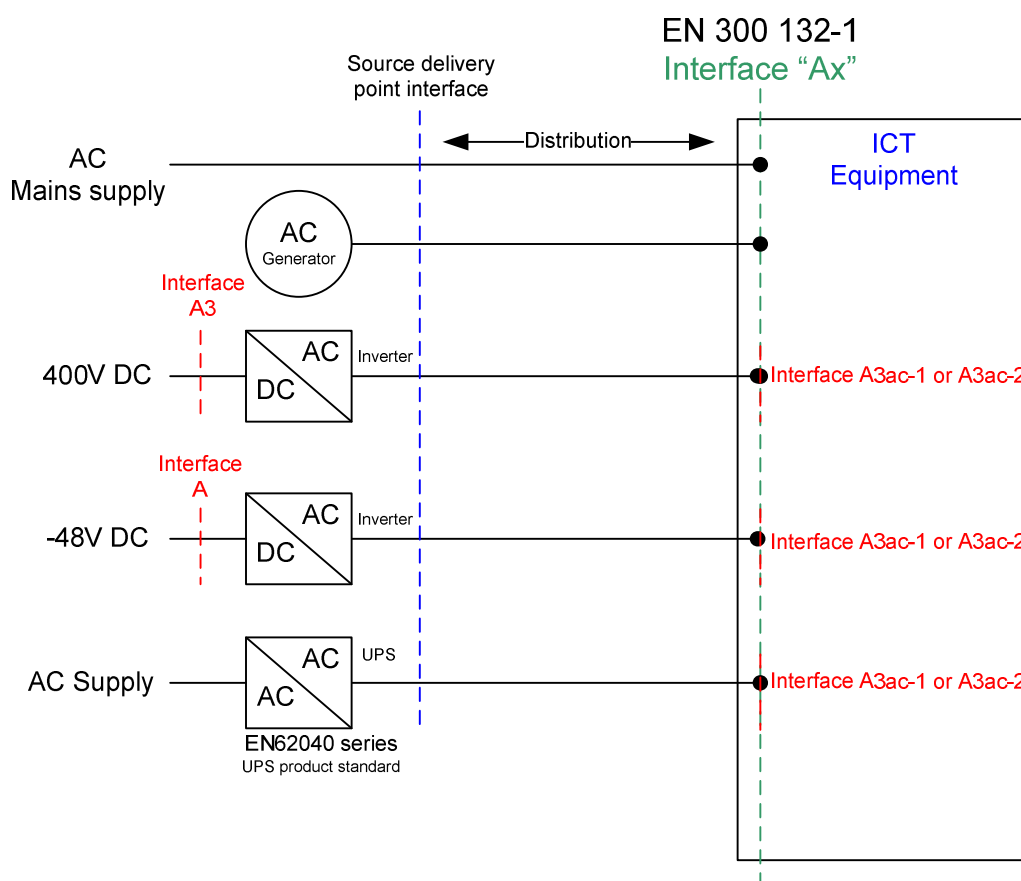
## Annex A (informative): ICT power supply configurations providing a unified power interface in the present document

The increase of service and the new packet switching network has led to more ICT equipment in the same existing telecommunication centres. The power consumption related to the standard phone services with telecommunications ICT equipment in -48 V decreases, but the power needed by these new services and packet networks increases and the power interface is generally AC voltage, the standard interface in the computer field.

Moreover, the density of electronic integration in telecommunication and computer fields increases, requiring more power density. Generally higher current is needed on the powering wire.

As a consequence, the nominal voltages proposed in the present document have been defined with consideration to the:

- need to unify the power supply of the ICT equipment and the Information Technology Equipment;
- desire to decrease the losses in the power distribution wire as well as copper cross-section;
- need to maintain a highly reliable power source for telecommunication centres or data-centres;
- enabling the use of the same AC interface in customer premises for powering ICT equipment.



**Figure A.1: Different power source for power interface defined in the present document**

NOTE 1: For standardized AC range, refer to clause 5.

The corresponding power supply can be based on a range of different configurations as seen on figure A.1 including:

- mains;
- back-up generator (e.g. diesel generator);

- 400 VDC input inverter;
- -48 VDC input inverter;

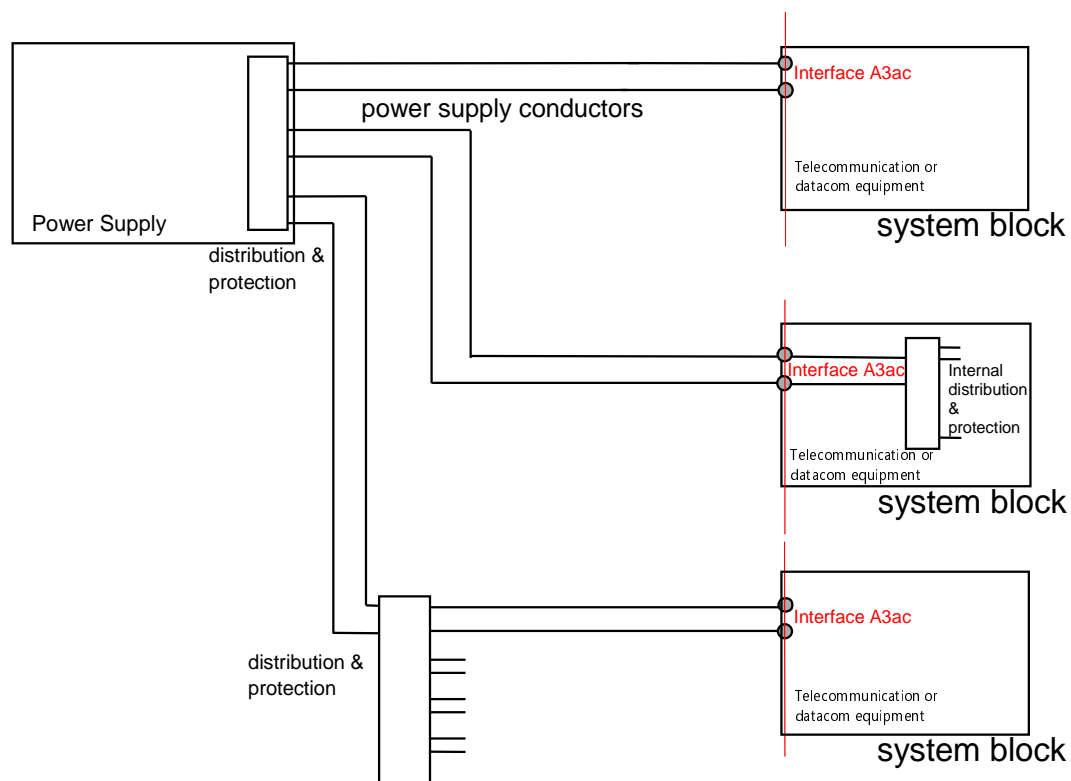
NOTE 2: Previously in the ETSI ETS 300 132-1 [i.1].

- AC UPS;
- inverter using renewable energy of photovoltaic type;
- any redundancy and modularity of the previous solution.

Selection should take account of voltage drop in the distribution system.

## Annex B (normative): Identification of interface A3ac

The identification of Interface A3ac shall be the terminals at which the telecommunications ICT equipment is connected to the power supply as shown in figure B.1.



NOTE 1: The figure is a drawing of the power system and does not show the PE conductor.

NOTE 2: In normal operation the voltage at the output of the power supply is always higher than the voltage at the interface A3ac, due to voltage drop in the distribution cables.

**Figure B.1: Identification of interface A3ac (three possible configurations)**

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## Annex C (informative): Calculation of the extreme AC voltage range at interface A3ac

- The minimum normal voltage is equal to minimum AC voltage single and 3 phase narrow and wide range on mains minus the maximum voltage drop in the cables.
- A safe drop value of 15 V maximum should be considered. The exact value could be calculated considering at maximum a current density of 7 A/mm<sup>2</sup> in the copper power wires.

NOTE: This is equivalent to 2 V drop in a 48 V systems with long 2 wires distribution cables.

- The minimum normal voltage is then set at narrow or wide minimum value at the input of ICT equipment with some margin.



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## Annex D (informative): Dimensioning of over-current protective devices

It is common practice to use fuses or breakers in the AC network distribution with a nominal trip value, which is  $> 1,5$  times  $I_m$  ( $1,5 = 1,2 \times 1/0,8$ ). This takes into account:

- A factor of 1,2 for maximum steady state current in abnormal service voltage range.
- A safety factor of 0,8 that includes temporary over load, technology, ageing, de-latch current, etc.
- A voltage range, based on one nominal voltage either 230 VAC (-14 % + 10 %) or 100 VAC, not both as only one is under use in the installation.

NOTE: Temperature derating factor should be additionally considered depending on chosen technology for the protective device.

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## Annex E (informative): Test generator for voltage dips, short interruptions and voltage variations

The specification of the test generator should be in accordance with IEC 61000-4-11 [4]:

- Short interruptions, dips, and variations of the output voltage: as given in tables in clauses 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3.
- Output voltage variation with the load (0 to rated current): less than 5 %.
- Ripple content: less than 1 % of the output voltage.
- Rise and fall time of the voltage change, generator loaded with 100 ohm resistive load: between 1,2  $\mu$ s and 50  $\mu$ s.
- Overshoot/undershoot of the output voltage, generator loaded with 100 ohm resistive load: less than 10 % of the change in voltage.
- Output current (steady state) ( $I_o$ ): up to 25 A.

NOTE: The slew rate of the voltage change at the output of the generator can range from a few V/ $\mu$ s up to hundreds V/ $\mu$ s, depending on the output voltage change.

The test generator steady state power/current capability should be at least 20 % greater than the EUT power/current ratings.

The test generator, during the generation of short interruptions, should be able to:

- operate in "low impedance" condition, absorbing inrush current from the load (if any);
- or operate in "high impedance" condition, blocking reverse current from the load.

The test generator, during the generation of voltage dips and voltage variations should operate in "low impedance" condition.

## Annex F (informative): Details of the voltage surges measurement in the most common case of distribution and protective devices

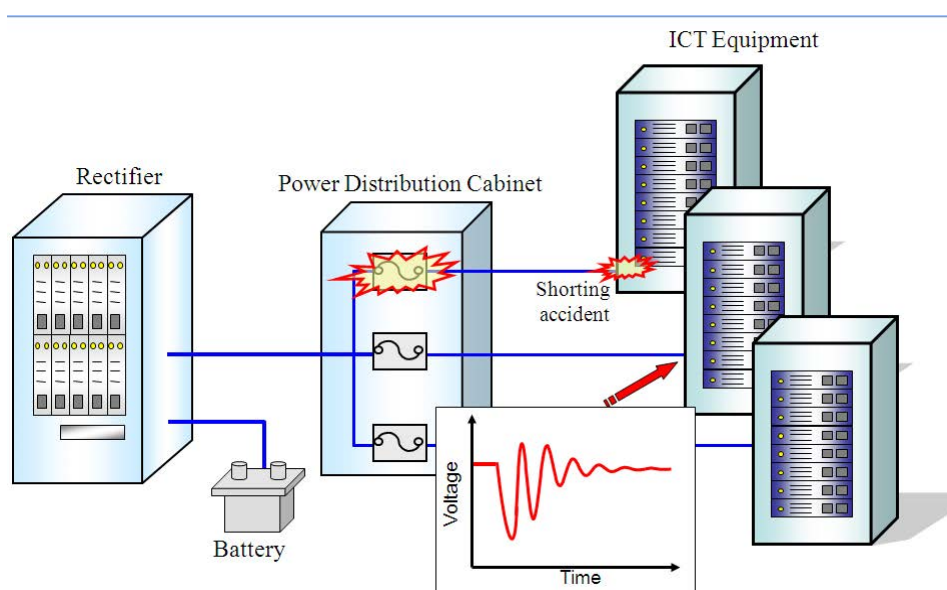
A protective device operation transient results from a low impedance fault to ground on the equipment side of a protective device (fuse or circuit breaker) connected to a power distribution bus. The bus voltage is reduced due to high current flowing to ground through the protective device and the short 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 6.4, 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 effect propagation of a short circuit or overload condition on the power distribution bus (i.e. transient voltage dip at Interface A3ac) is to isolate the fault. The fault isolation can be achieved using High-Ohmic Distributions (HOD) or Low-Ohmic Distributions (LOD).

In the HOD, the equipment and the sub-parts 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 under voltage effects are reduced on the other equipment connected to the battery.

In the LOD, the equipment and the sub-parts 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 sub-parts, to reduce the under voltage effects in case of short circuit of one of equipment.



**Figure F.1: Definition of transient voltage impact**

The transient is measured at interface A3ac on one equipment, when the fault occurs on another equipment interface A3ac (see figure G.1 and the case of a shorting accident).

The parameters of the proposed tests are:

- Cable lengths (between the power system and the load) of 3 m, 10 m, 30 m and 50 m; cables being sized with a maximum voltage drop of 10 V between the power system and the load.
- Load of 1 kW via a AC/DC converter to simulate a ICT equipment.
- A suitable test generator defined in existing EMC standards for use in testing AC input ICT equipment being identified from existing solutions.

- Existing circuit breakers and fuses for AC being representative of the majority of possible solutions chosen after a worldwide collection of information.

NOTE: The fault current can reach kA, the voltage transient level voltage more than 200 V and the overvoltage last some tens of  $\mu$ s to tens of ms.

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

### G.1 Measurement

- Use a storage oscilloscope which can record values of  $dI/dt$  of at least  $10 \text{ A}/\mu\text{s}$ .
- When measuring the ac supply, record the first or highest pulse. As with the dc measurements, a sufficiently long time-base should be used to allow pulse width measurements to be taken. The peak value of the pulse train for a duration of 1 second should be recorded (figure G.1 refers).
- Several readings should be taken to ensure that the worst case value is recorded.

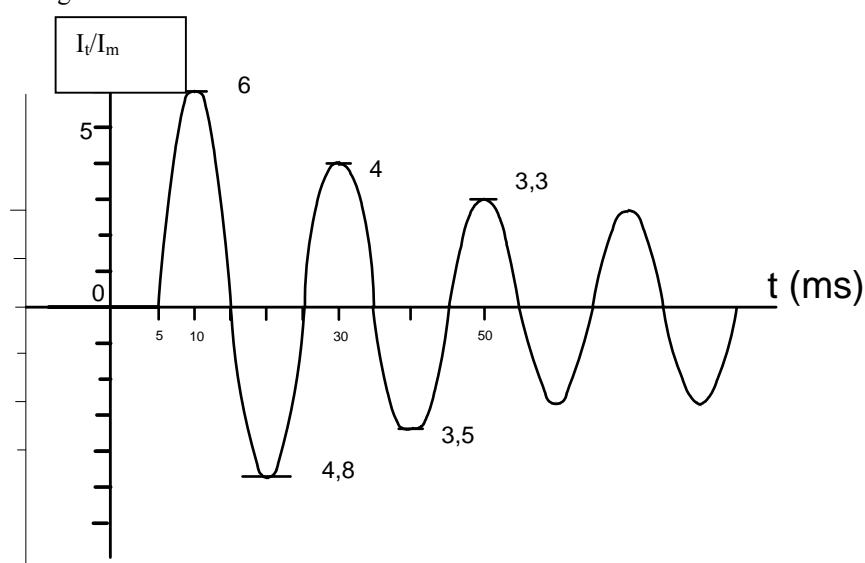


Figure G.1: Typical current pulse train and associated measurements

### G.2 Pulse waveform transformation

- Pulse train.
 

For a pulse train from the ac supply measurements, (as in figure G.1) proceed as follows:

  - use the pulse train from the worst case measurement;
  - measure the peak value ( $I_t$ ) of each pulse;
  - produce the ratios for ( $I_t/I_m$ );
  - plot the ( $I_t/I_m$ ) values onto figure 2 using the start of the first pulse as reference for the time origin.
- Highest pulse from the ac system:
  - measure the width of the current pulse at different levels;
  - plot the current ratios against their corresponding time values onto figure 2.
- Figure G.2 shows the ac pulse train from figure G.1 transferred onto the limit chart of figure 2 in absolute magnitude.

NOTE: Occasionally, more than one inrush pulse may appear, due to special arrangements for limiting the amplitude of single pulses or because the load (telecommunications 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.

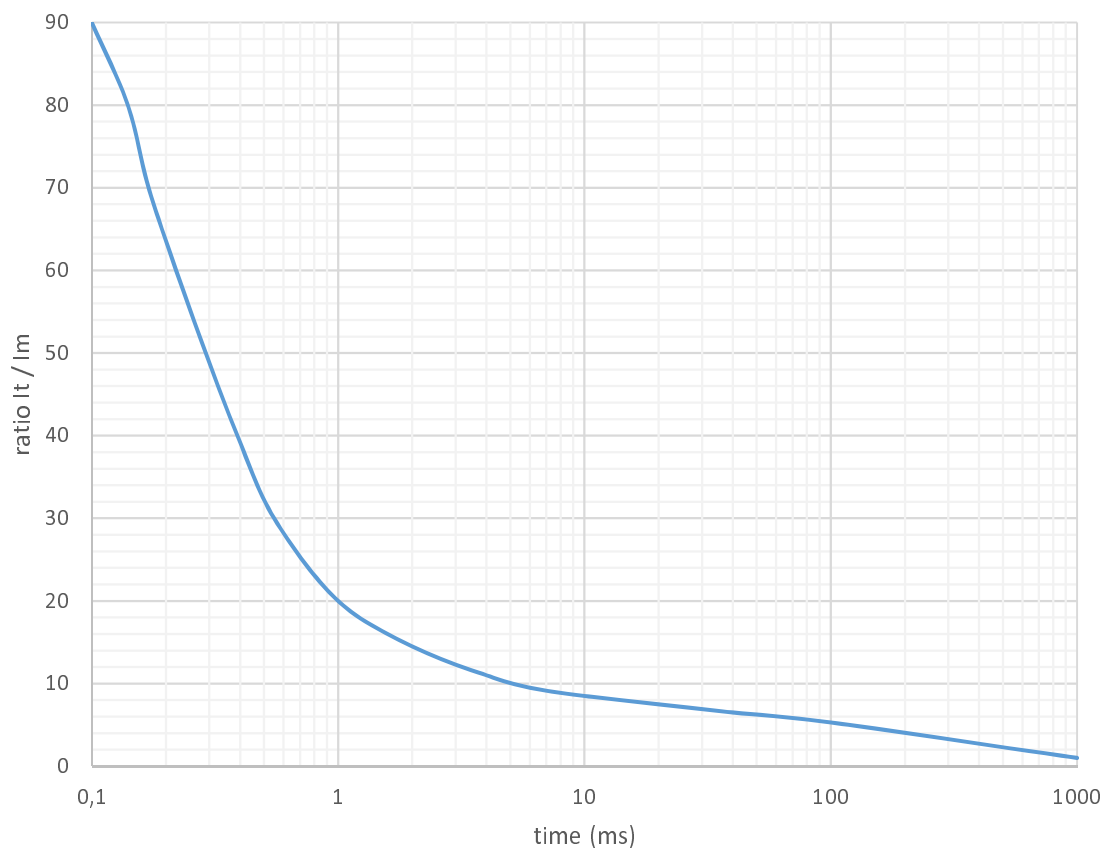


Figure G.2: Maximum values for typical inrush currents plotted against limit curve

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