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INTRODUCTION

A dense wavelength division multiplexing (DWDM) system for fibre optic communication was developed in the late 1990's. The first generation DWDM systems were point-to-point optical networks. In the mid-2000's, second generation DWDM systems, typically ring networks, were developed. One of the key optical components for DWDM systems is a wavelength division multiplexing device. An AWG (arrayed waveguide grating) module has been mainly deployed for first and second generation DWDM systems.

Due to the increasing demand for communication capacity, more flexible optical communication systems, such as mesh networks, have been required. In the past several years, the third generation of DWDM systems, the optical cross-connect system, has been developed and deployed by some communication network carriers and is expected to be deployed worldwide. A wavelength-selective switch (WSS) module plays a key role in realizing the optical switch function in the optical cross-connect system, so that the performance of the WSS directly impacts on the performance of the optical cross-connect systems, such as the capacity, transmission distance, etc.

For AWG modules, only static performance, such as insertion loss, bandwidth, pass-band ripple, polarization dependent loss (PDL), polarization mode dispersion (PMD), coherent crosstalk, etc., has been evaluated. In addition to static performance, dynamic performance during switching or changing attenuation should be taken into consideration for the WSS as a key module of optical cross-connect systems.

For dynamic performance parameters, the influence not only on the controlled channel but also on other channels should be considered.

Considering this background, the influence of WSS dynamic crosstalk on cross-connect system performance and the measurements of dynamic crosstalk has been demonstrated.

This Technical Report is based on Optoelectronic Industry and Technology Development Association (OITDA) – Technical Paper (TP), TP15/TP-2013, "Dynamic crosstalk measurement for wavelength selective switches".

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62343, which is a Technical Report, describes a study of the impact of WSS dynamic crosstalk on the optical network and includes dynamic crosstalk measurement examples for three types of WSS. The generating mechanism and the generation factor of dynamic crosstalk in WSS are clarified, and the evaluation of same-channel crosstalk and different-channel crosstalk is shown to be necessary.

2 Normative references

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IEC 61300-3-21, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-21: Examinations and measurements – Switching time*

IEC 61300-3-29, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Basic test and measurement procedures – Part 3-29: Examinations and measurements – Spectral transfer characteristics of DWDM devices*