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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62786, which is a Technical Specification, defines minimum requirements for frequency and rate of change of frequency measurements used to control distributed energy resources (DER) and loads connected to electrical power networks.

This document specifies the characteristics of frequency and rate of change of frequency measurements to evaluate their performances. It describes the main use cases of frequency and rate of change of frequency measurements, with associated level of performances. It describes the principle of functional tests to evaluate the specified characteristics and defines the influencing factors that affect these performances, under steady state or dynamic conditions.

This document defines the functional requirements applicable to frequency and rate of change of frequency measurements which can be inside or outside the DER or loads. In the case of DER, this document provides requirements additional to those which are defined in the other parts of IEC 62786 or standards produced by the relevant IEC technical committees (e.g. TC 82 for photovoltaic systems, TC 88 for wind systems, TC 120 for electrical energy storage systems (EES)).

This document is applicable to DER and loads regardless of the voltage level of the point of connection to the grid.

This document does not specify hardware, software or a method for frequency or rate of change of frequency measurement. It does not specify tests linked to environmental conditions associated with hardware devices (climatic, electromagnetic disturbances above 3 kHz, mechanical stress, etc.).

Frequency and rate of change of frequency measurements associated with time stamping are not in the scope of this document. These measurements are already covered by IEC 60255-118-1 [1]¹.

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NOTE As defined in the first paragraph, this document is focused on frequency and rate of change of frequency measurements used to control DER and loads. But the technical requirements defined in this document, with the list of declared characteristics and their associated functional tests, can also be applicable for other uses where "fast" frequency and ROCOF measurement is required (small or large generators of power substations connected to transmission or distribution grids, power meter devices, power quality instruments, etc.).

2 Normative references

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