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INTRODUCTION

$\tan \delta$, also called loss tangent, or dissipation factor is a basic parameter for the quality of insulating materials. The measurement of capacitance and loss angle is a classical method well established in the industry over 100 years.

The dissipation factor ($\tan \delta$) is dependent on several parameters, such as electrode design, material characteristics, environmental issues, moisture, temperature, voltage applied, and highly dependent on frequencies, the accuracy of measuring apparatus and other parameters applied to the measured specimen.

The frequency range is limited, depending on the test cell and electrode design, the dimension of the samples and connection leads. In this standard the parameters for the frequencies applied are therefore limited in the range of very low frequency (VLF) from less than 1 Hz and up to 10 MHz. However, measuring instruments can provide a broader frequency range, whereby the usable and suitable frequency range is limited by the whole test setup.