### Quality at commissioning Right tool for right purpose



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What is the purpose of a commissioning test?

Recap of tests IEC62067 (AC extruded) & TB 496 (DC Extruded) External damage Internal damage Focus on: & mounting Tests made to demonstrate the integrity of the cable system as installed Time & Voltage Long Type Term Test Test Sample Test Routine FAT Test Test Commissioning Monitoring Test Qualification Production Installation Service

BASE: NO test can replace Quality Control, good workmanship, good equipment, good materials!



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## Commissioning test Different methods

Method	Pro's	Con's
AC 50 Hz	Most experience	Limitations for long lenghts – test equipment size (not valid for soak test)
AC 10-50 Hz	Less limitation for long lengths	Still large equipment for longest lengths
VLF – "0.1 Hz"	Least limitations for long lengths	Higher voltage and/or longer time needed
DC	OK for DC cables	Questionable for AC cables
DAC	Small equipment size	More challenging to measure pd. Difficult to normalize No. of pulses and voltage level Depending on frequency: Cable length affects voltage shape and level
Cos (square wave)	Small equipment size	Cable length affects voltage shape and level



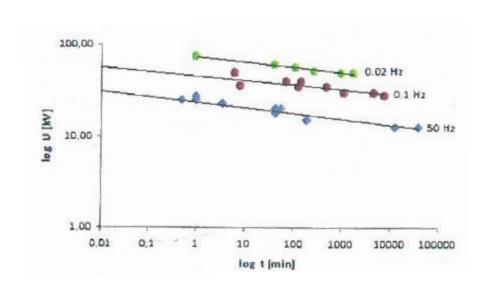
Other tests not stressing the internal electrical parts:

- Sheath test
- Opto fibre test (OTDR)



#### Electrical test – VLF Duration tests – cables

Just an example of one of several new Commissioning tests being researched on



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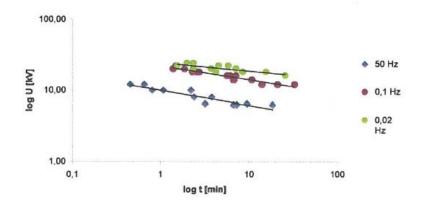
- Tests made on extruded mini cables (4 mm iso)
- Well-defined defects (needle)
- The life-time factor n is not affected by the decrease in frequency
- Meaning: aging type is probably the same for the lower frequencies
- Higher voltage needed (factor 2-3) or longer test time

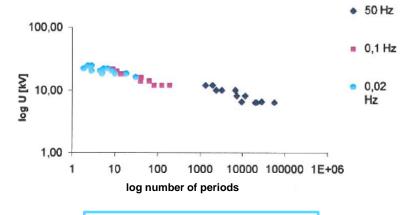


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#### Duration tests - moulded square samples





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- Tests made on moulded XLPE samples
- Well-defined defects (needle)
- Studied tree-growth & time until breakdown
- Conversion from time to number of periods supports further previous statement:
  - aging type is probably the same for the lower frequencies



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