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#### INTRODUCTION

Since the discovery of high- $T_c$  superconductors (HTS), extensive researches have been performed worldwide for electronic applications and large-scale applications.

In the fields of electronics, especially in telecommunications, microwave passive devices such as filters using HTS are being developed and testing is underway on sites [1,2,3,4]<sup>1</sup>.

Superconductor materials for microwave resonators, filters, antennas and delay lines have the advantage of ultra-low loss characteristics. Knowledge of this parameter is vital for the development of new materials on the supplier side and the design of superconductor microwave components on the customer side. The parameters of superconductor materials needed to design microwave components are the surface resistance  $R_{\rm s}$  and the temperature dependence of the  $R_{\rm s}$ . Recent advances in HTS thin films with  $R_{\rm s}$ , several orders of magnitude lower than normal metals has increased the need for a reliable characterization technique to measure this property [5,6]. Among several methods to measure the  $R_{\rm s}$  of superconductor materials at microwave frequencies, the dielectric resonator method [7,8,9] has been useful due to that the method enables to measure the  $R_{\rm s}$  nondestructively and accurately. In particular, the sapphire resonator is an excellent tool for measuring the  $R_{\rm s}$  of HTS materials [10]. In 2002, the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) published the dielectric resonator method as a measurement standard [11].

The test method given in this standard enables measurement of the power-dependent surface resistance of superconductors at microwave frequencies. For high power microwave device applications such as those of transmitting devices, not only the temperature dependence of  $R_{\rm S}$  but also the power dependence of  $R_{\rm S}$  is needed to design the microwave components. Based on the measured power dependence, the RF current density dependence of the surface resistance can be evaluated. The simulation software to design the device gives the RF current distribution in the device. The results of the power dependence measurement can be directly compared with the simulation and allow the power handling capability of the device to be evaluated.

The test method given in this standard can be also applied to other superconductor bulk plates including low- $T_{\rm c}$  material.

This standard is intended to give an appropriate and agreeable technical base for the time being to those engineers working in the fields of electronics and superconductivity technology.

The test method covered in this standard is based on the VAMAS (Versailles Project on Advanced Materials and Standards) pre-standardization work on the thin film properties of superconductors.

<sup>1</sup> Numbers in square brackets refer to the Bibliography.

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# Part 16: Electronic characteristic measurements – Power-dependent surface resistance of superconductors at microwave frequencies

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61788 involves describing the standard measurement method of power-dependent surface resistance of superconductors at microwave frequencies by the sapphire resonator method. The measuring item is the power dependence of  $R_{\rm s}$  at the resonant frequency.

The following is the applicable measuring range of surface resistances for this method:

Frequency:  $f \sim 10 \text{ GHz}$ 

Input microwave power:  $P_{in}$  < 37 dBm (5 W)

The aim is to report the surface resistance data at the measured frequency and that scaled to 10 GHz using the  $R_s \propto f^2$  relation for comparison.

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IEC 60050 (all parts), International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (available at: <a href="http://www.electropedia.com">http://www.electropedia.com</a>)

IEC 61788-15, Superconductivity – Part 15: Electronic characteristic measurements – Intrinsic surface impedance of superconductor films at microwave frequencies

#### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the definitions given in IEC 60050-815, one of which is repeated here for convenience, apply.

#### 3.1

#### surface impedance

impedance of a material for a high frequency electromagnetic wave which is constrained to the surface of the material in the case of metals and superconductors

Note 1 to entry: The surface impedance governs the thermal losses of superconducting RF cavities.

Note 2 to entry: In general, surface impedance  $Z_s$  for conductors including superconductors is defined as the ratio of the electric field  $E_t$  to the magnetic field  $H_t$ , tangential to a conductor surface:

$$Z_s = E_t / H_t = R_s + j X_s$$

where  $R_s$  is the surface resistance and  $X_s$  is the surface reactance.



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