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1 Scope

This PAS defines certain dimensional limits that an angled PC end-face multi-fibre rectangular ferrule having two guide-holes for positioning two alignment pins and using a thermoset material with a Young's modulus of 20-25 GPa has to meet in order to comply with specific requirements for interconnections. Ferrules made from the material specified in this PAS are suitable for use in category C as defined in IEC 61753-1.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 61753-1, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components performance standard – Part 1: General and guidance for performance standard*

IEC 61754-5, *Fibre optic connector interface – Part 5: Type MT connector family*

IEC 61754-7, *Fibre optic connector interfaces – Part 7: Type MPO connector family*

IEC 61754-10, *Fibre optic connector interfaces – Part 10: Type Mini-MPO connector family*

IEC 61754-18, *Fibre optic connector interfaces – Part 18: Type MT-RJ connector family*

IEC 61755-1, *Fibre optic connector optical interfaces – Part 1: Optical interfaces for single mode non-dispersion shifted fibre – General and guidance*

3 Description

The performance of the optical interface for an angled PC end-face multi-fibre rectangular ferrule is determined by the accuracy with which the optical datum targets of two mating ferrules are aligned with each other. There are three conditions affecting the alignment of two optical datum targets, lateral alignment, angular alignment and axial alignment.

The specified end face parameters in this PAS are required to provide physical contact between all fibre cores in the mated rectangular ferrules when the ferrules are placed in fibre optic connector interfaces described in IEC 61754-5, IEC 61754-7, IEC 61754-10, and IEC 61754-18 and tested to conditions for a controlled environment as defined category C in IEC 61755-1.

The specified lateral and angular parameters are required to provide the performance grades as specified IEC 61753-1.

Parameters influencing the lateral and angular alignment of the optical fibre axes include

- fibre hole position deviation from designated distance;
- clearance between fibre hole diameter and fibre cladding diameter;
- fibre hole angular misalignment;

- fibre core concentricity relative to the cladding diameter;
- clearance between guide hole diameter and alignment pin diameter;
- the amount of angled PC polishing in axial direction.

Parameters influencing the axial alignment of the optical fibre axes include

- end-face flatness;
- end-face angle in the X-axis;
- end-face angle in the Y-axis;
- fibre protrusion/undercut;
- maximum difference in fibre height among all fibres;
- maximum adjacent fibre height differential. Ferrule compression force and ferrule material shall be considered together with these parameters.

4 Optical interface parameters

This standard defines the dimensional limits of the angled PC end-face multi-fibre rectangular ferrule with single mode fibres. It is applicable for up to 12 fibres with an alignment pitch of 0,25 mm.

The optical interface parameters are defined as shown in Figures 1, 2 and 3.

The parameter values are described as shown in Tables 1 to 4.

4.1 End-face parameters related to attenuation

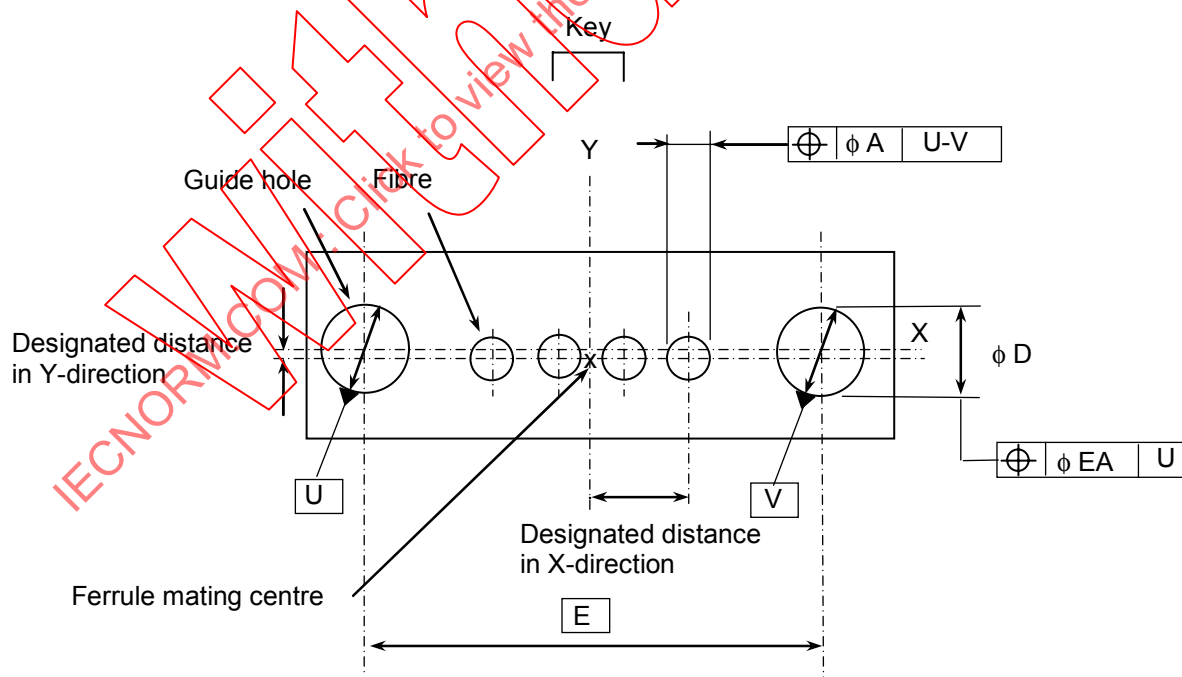


Figure 1 – Fibre core lateral location

The X-axis is the line passing through two guide hole centres.

The Y-axis is the line perpendicular to X-axis and passing through the midpoint of the line connecting the two guide hole centres.

The designated distance in X-direction is $(0,125 + (n/2 - 1) \times 0,25)$ mm in the right and left directions, where $n = 2, 4, 8, 10, 12$ (number of fibres) for 6,4 mm $\times$ 2,5 mm rectangular ferrules, and $n = 2, 4$ for 4,4 mm $\times$ 2,5 mm rectangular ferrules.

The designated distance in Y-direction (basic dimension of guide hole diameter D – basic dimension of alignment pin diameter I) / 2.

Here, the basic dimension of I is 0,6985 mm. The basic dimension of D is a nominal value which is an average of the minimum and maximum values in Tables 1 and 2, and it will be slightly shifted according to the designed minimum and maximum values.

A is the position tolerance of fibre-core centre.

EA is the position tolerance of guide-hole centre.

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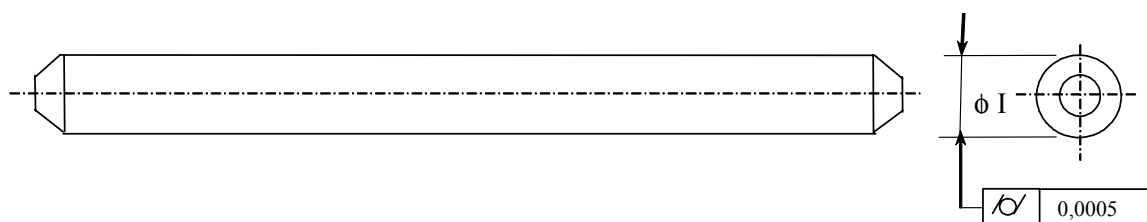
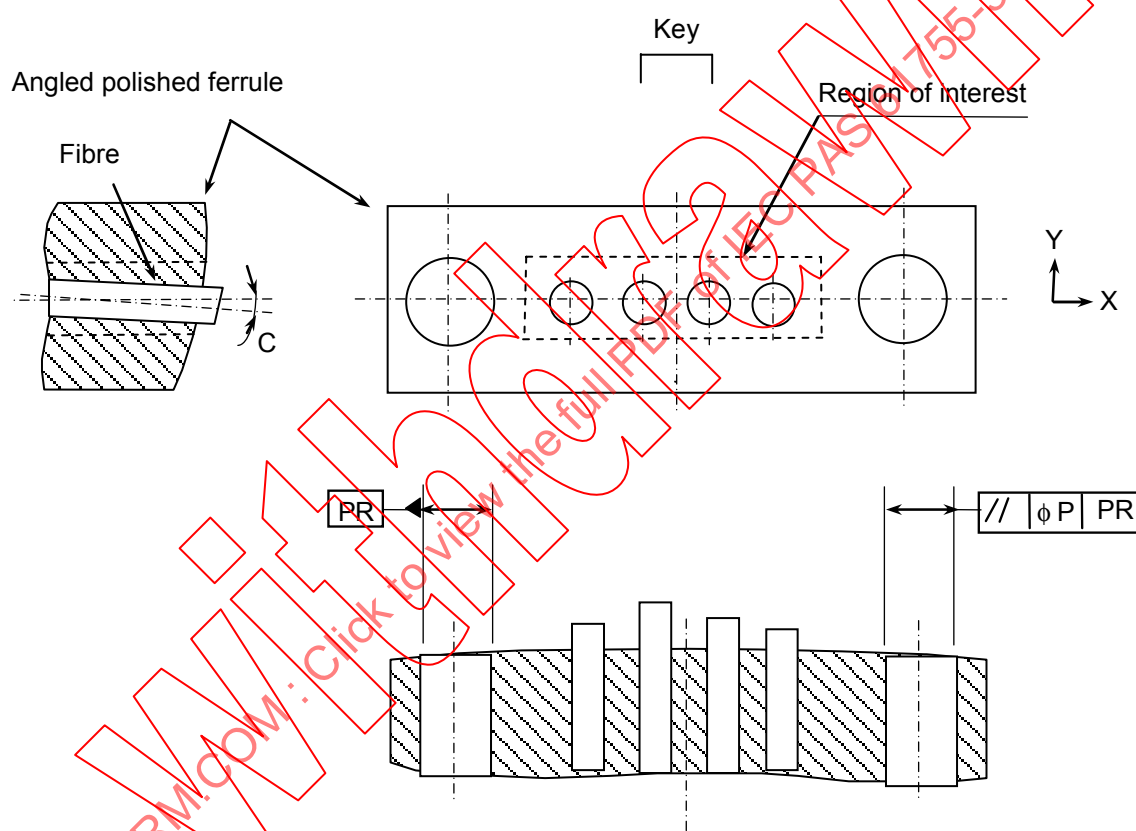


Figure 2 – Alignment pin



NOTE The region of interest is set on the ferrule surface and defined by a rectangular region which is chosen to cover the intended contact zone of the ferrule end face when the ferrules are mated.

Figure 3 – End-face parameters related to attenuation

Table 3 – Optical interface parameter values related to attenuation for 6,4 mm × 2,5 mm rectangular ferrules with two fibres fixed

Reference	Parameter values						Notes
	Grade B		Grade C		Grade D		
	Minimum mm	Maximum mm	Minimum mm	Maximum mm	Minimum mm	Maximum mm	
A	0	0,0015	0	0,0020	0	0,0032	
C	–	0,2°	-	0,2°	–	0,5 °	
D	0,6990	0,6996	0,699	0,700	0,699	0,700	1
E	2,6				4,6		Basic dimension, 1
EA	–	0,004	–	0,004	–	0,006	1
P	–	0,002	–	0,002	–	0,002	2, 3
I	0,6984	0,6986	0,698	0,699	0,698	0,699	

NOTE 1 Each guide-hole should accept a gauge pin as shown in Figure 2a of IEC 61754-5 to a depth of 5,5 mm with a maximum force of 1,7 N. In addition, two guide-holes should accept a gauge as shown in Figure 2e of IEC 61754-5 to a depth of 5,5 mm with a maximum force of 3,4 N.

NOTE 2 These values should be specified in the central surface region surrounding fibres of 2,900 mm wide and 0,675 mm high. Furthermore, the outside surface region should be lower than the central surface region of interest.

NOTE 3 These values should be applied to ferrule materials with a Young's modulus of 20-25 GPa. Ferrule compression force should be 7,8 N minimum and 11,8 N maximum.

Table 4 – Optical interface parameter values related to attenuation for 6,4 mm × 2,5 mm rectangular ferrules with four, eight, ten and twelve fibres fixed

Reference	Parameter values						Notes
	Grade B		Grade C		Grade D		
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum mm	Maximum mm	Minimum mm	Maximum mm	
A			0	0,0020	0	0,0032	
C			–	0,2°	–	0,5°	
D			0,699	0,700	0,699	0,700	1
E			4,6		4,6		Basic dimension, 1
EA			–	0,004	–	0,006	1
P			–	0,002	–	0,002	2, 3
I			0,698	0,699	0,698	0,699	

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