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#### Summary

Amendment 4 to Recommendation ITU-T G.996.2 (2009) provides the following updates to Annex E:

- accuracy values for multi-component 4-element resistance and 3-element capacitance parameters in MELT-PMD
- a definition on dealing with the xDSL input capacitance during measurements.

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##### 1) Update to Annex E – Specific requirements for a MELT-PMD

Add the following new paragraph to the end of clause E.1:

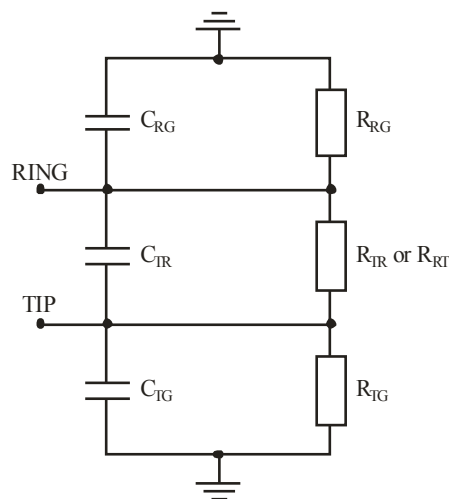
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The accuracy values provided in this annex are based on an assumption that the MELT functionality has, or obtains, the value of the input capacitance looking into the xTU-C and subtracts it from the raw results to report the measurement of the external capacitance. The method to obtain the input capacitance of the xTU-C is vendor discretionary and is beyond the scope of this Recommendation. No part of the overall accuracy budget has been allocated to account for a possible change in the input capacitance of the xTU-C.

Add a new clause E.1.1.12 as follows:

##### E.1.1.12 Combined measurement of 4-element resistance and 3-element capacitance

The accuracy numbers defined in clauses E.1.1.1.1 and E.1.1.2 apply to a 4-element DC resistance and a 3-element capacitance measurement performed on a single component. This clause defines the accuracy numbers for a combined measurement performed on a multiple component network as shown in Figure E.3. The network consists of six components located tip-to-ring, tip-to-ground and ring-to-ground, with neither foreign voltages nor a signature network connected to it.



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Figure E.3 – Multiple component network

The accuracy numbers included in Tables E.11.8 to E.11.12 are applicable to a combined measurement of 4-element DC resistance and 3-element capacitance when using any combination of external components selected within the range of values defined in Table E.11.6 or in Table E.11.7. Tables E.11.8 to E.11.12, indicating the accuracy of individual components when

measured within a multi-component network, shall not be used for components outside of the range covered by Tables E.11.6 and E.11.7.

**Table E.11.6 – Range of external components for MELT measurements on ADSLplus or VSDL equipment**

Resistance range:	1 M $\Omega$ to 6.8 M $\Omega$
C <sub>TG</sub> and C <sub>RG</sub> capacitance range:	22 nF to 470 nF
C <sub>TR</sub> capacitance range:	10 nF to 100 nF

**Table E.11.7 – Range of external components for MELT measurements on SHDSL equipment**

Resistance range:	1 M $\Omega$ to 6.8 M $\Omega$
C <sub>TG</sub> and C <sub>RG</sub> capacitance range:	22 nF to 470 nF
C <sub>TR</sub> capacitance range:	100 nF to 1 $\mu$ F

Tables E.11.8 to E.11.12 provide the accuracy of individual components when measured within a multi-component network. Those accuracy figures are applicable when all components have values selected within the ranges specified in Table E.11.6 for ADSL2plus or VDSL applications, or specified in Table E.11.7 for SHDSL applications. The accuracies are cumulative when both an absolute and a relative figure are provided. The 7-element parameter set, that is the four DC resistances (R<sub>TR</sub>, R<sub>RT</sub>, R<sub>TG</sub> and R<sub>RG</sub>) and the three capacitances (C<sub>TR</sub>, C<sub>TG</sub> and C<sub>RG</sub>), shall be measured and reported.

**Table E.11.8 – Resistance accuracy  $R_{TR}$ ,  $R_{TG}$ ,  $R_{RG}$**

Resistance range	Accuracy
1 M $\Omega$ -4 M $\Omega$	$\pm$ 15%
4 M $\Omega$ -5 M $\Omega$	$\pm$ 20%
5 M $\Omega$ -6.8 M $\Omega$	$\pm$ 25%

**Table E.11.9 – Capacitance accuracy  $C_{TR}$  for MELT measurements on ADSLplus or VSDL equipment**

Capacitance range	Accuracy
10 nF-60 nF	$\pm$ 7 nF
60 nF-100 nF	$\pm$ (4 nF + 5%)

**Table E.11.10 – Capacitance accuracy  $C_{TG}$ ,  $C_{RG}$  for MELT measurements on ADSLplus or VSDL equipment**

Capacitance range	Accuracy
22 nF-60 nF	$\pm 6$ nF
60 nF-300 nF	$\pm(3$ nF + 5%)
300 nF-470 nF	$\pm 6\%$

**Table E.11.11 – Capacitance accuracy  $C_{TR}$  for MELT measurements on SHDSL equipment**

Capacitance range	Accuracy
100 nF-700 nF	$\pm 55$ nF
700 nF-1 $\mu$ F	$\pm(20$ nF + 5%)

**Table E.11.12 – Capacitance accuracy  $C_{TG}$ ,  $C_{RG}$  for MELT measurements on SHDSL equipment**

Capacitance range	Accuracy
22 nF-250 nF	$\pm 25$ nF
250 nF-470 nF	$\pm(15$ nF + 4%)







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