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- a) added the following new test items:
 - 1) transformer capacitance (in 4.5.6.1);
 - 2) voltage transformation (VT) ratio (in 4.5.7.3);
 - 3) thermo-couple method (in 4.5.15.3);
 - 4) bridge circuit measurement (in 4.5.16.3);
 - 5) dynamic CM capacitance of a transformer (in 4.5.20);
 - 6) tests of the parameter in transformer equivalent circuit (in 4.5.21);
- b) updated the following test items:
 - 1) added test purpose: AC resistance (in 4.5.1.2); dielectric withstand voltage test (in 4.5.2.1); effective inductance (in 4.5.4.1); capacitance unbalance (in 4.5.5.1); total harmonic distortion (in 4.5.13);
 - 2) testing fundamentals and equipment modification: DC winding resistance (in 4.5.1.1); AC resistance (in 4.5.1.2); winding continuity (in 4.5.1.3); excitation apparent-power measurements (in 4.5.3.4); capacitance unbalance (in 4.5.5.1); self-capacitance (distributed capacitance) (in 4.5.6.2); inter-winding capacitance (in 4.5.6.3); inherent self-resonance (in 4.5.8.1); resonant assemblies (in 4.5.8.2); insertion loss (in 4.5.9.1); return loss (in 4.5.9.2); crosstalk (in 4.5.10); pulse characteristics (in 4.5.11.1); transformer response measurements (in 4.5.11.2); total harmonic distortion (in 4.5.13); method utilizing the change in DC resistance of a winding (in 4.5.15.1); method using an additional series-opposing bifilar winding (in 4.5.15.2); safety screens (in 4.5.17.2); magnetic radiation (in 4.5.17.4); acoustic noise (in 4.5.18.1);
 - 3) procedure modification: dielectric withstand voltage test (in 4.5.2.1); induced voltage test (in 4.5.2.2); capacitance unbalance (in 4.5.5.1);
 - 4) Information to be stated modification: insulation resistance (in 4.5.2.4); excitation apparent-power measurements (in 4.5.3.4); stray-load losses (in 4.5.3.5); power factor (in 4.5.3.8); inherent self-resonance (in 4.5.8.1); parallel resonance and series resonance (in 4.5.8.3); transformer pulse response (in 4.5.11.3);
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INTRODUCTION

IEC 61007 describes a number of tests to determine the important parameters and performance characteristics of transformers and inductors used in electronic and telecommunications equipment, aiming to check whether the product meets specific applications and is widely used in industrial manufacturing processes and customer acceptance tests. It includes the test method of electrical testing such as resistance strength, power loss, impedance, inductance value and quality factor, including the test purpose, test procedure and test principle, as well as the reliability test items for electronic transformers and inductors. IEEE Std 389:2020 specifies test and experimental methods applicable to the performance evaluation of electronic transformers and inductors, for the test and evaluation of transformers with lower power ratings (communications, instrumentation, control, small appliance and computer applications). It includes electrical strength, power loss, inductance, impedance and other test items, Kelvin bridge method, impedance bridge method and other measurement methods, but does not include reliability test items and test procedures.

Both documents cover test methods and procedures for electronic transformers and inductors, but they have different emphases and test methods, which bring a lot of inconvenience to users. There is a growing call for establishing an efficient and streamlined universal international standard to meet the needs of developers, customers and the market. Therefore, a proposal for a dual label (IEC/IEEE) standard is formulated to combine IEC 61007 and IEEE Std 389:2020 into one unified new standard.

The structural expression of this document refers to IEC 61007, and on this basis, the expression of test principles, test procedures and test conditions is added for each test item.

This document is a combined and shared standard.

1 Scope

This document describes a number of tests for use in determining the significant parameters and performance characteristics of transformers and inductors for use in electronics and telecommunication equipment. These test methods are designed primarily for transformers and inductors used in all types of electronics applications that can be involved in any specification for such components. Even though these tests could be applied supplementally for other types of transformers, such as those with larger power ratings used in the utility power industry, the tests discussed in this document are not intended to replace the tests in standards for those other transformers.

Some of the tests described are intended for qualifying a product for a specific application, while others are test practices used for manufacturing and customer acceptance testing. The test methods described here include those parameters most commonly used in the electronics transformer and inductor industry: electric strength, resistance, power loss, inductance, impedance, balance, transformation ratio and many others used less frequently.

2 Normative references

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