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# FIBRE OPTIC INTERCONNECTING DEVICES AND PASSIVE COMPONENTS – BASIC TEST AND MEASUREMENT PROCEDURES –

## Part 3-33: Examinations and measurements – Withdrawal force from a resilient alignment sleeve using gauge pins

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 61300 describes the procedure to measure the withdrawal force between the ferrule (gauge pin) of the plug connector and the resilient alignment sleeve of the adapter. The gauge pin should have the same shape (chamfer) like the normal ferrules described in the optical interface, see IEC 61755-3 series and IEC 61754 series. This measurement procedure is applicable to single-fibre cylindrical ferrule optical connectors.

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IEC 61754 (all parts), *Fibre optic connector interfaces*

IEC 61755-3 (all parts), *Fibre optic connector optical interfaces*

IEC/TR 62627-01, *Fibre optic interconnecting devices and passive components – Part 01: Fibre optic connector cleaning methods*

### 3 General description

The contact force between the mating ferrules in a fibre optic connector is the difference between the breakaway friction force and the spring force of the connector. To maintain contact, the breakaway friction force must remain below the spring force.

The ferrule withdrawal force is the highest force (breakaway force) required to remove one of the ferrules from the sleeve of a fibre optic connector.

The mechanics of friction result in significant variations in the measurement of breakaway friction force. The criteria to be applied to the results of these measurements must account for the spread that is inherent in the mechanism being measured (see Annex B).