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## ELECTRONIC DISPLAYS –

### Part 3-9: Evaluation of optical performance – Display sparkle contrast

#### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 62977 specifies standard measurement conditions and methods for determining the sparkle contrast of direct-view displays which comprise display matrix elements to render real 2D images on a flat panel and an anti-glare layer. This document excludes measurement of sparkle, which is intentionally obtained by the specular reflection from reflecting flats in coatings and paints.

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##### 3.1 Terms and definitions

###### 3.1.1 sparkle

visual phenomenon that becomes obvious as a random pattern extending across the display area formed by a distribution of tiny patches (granules, dots) with varying luminance and chromaticity (depending on the test pattern shown on the display) through the anti-glare layer of the display, resulting in a visually disturbing pattern that is distinctly changing with viewing direction

Note 1 to entry: In other fields, the term “sparkle” can refer to reflections from reflecting particles in effect coatings [1].

Note 2 to entry: Sparkle looks like “speckle” [2] in the field of laser displays (coherent or partially coherent light), however, sparkle and speckle are different because the origins of both phenomena are quite different.

###### 3.1.2 sparkle pattern

radiance distribution of sparkle

Note 1 to entry: The sparkle pattern can contain (1) periodic modulations caused by the display pixel matrix, (2) non-periodic effects caused by, for example, pixel defects, and (3) low-frequency radiance variations caused by non-uniformities of the backlight unit.