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INTRODUCTION

The increasing complexity of assessing product compliance with exposure standards according to specific absorption rate (SAR) limits calls for new compliance or pre-compliance techniques. Currently standardized experimental SAR compliance assessments of wireless communication devices are time-consuming and costly. Computational techniques have reached a level of maturity which allows their use in the pre-compliance assessments of wireless communication devices such as mobile phones. For example, pre-compliance testing is important for mobile phone manufacturers in their product development phase where this document may be applied. The benefits to the users and manufacturers include standardized and accepted protocols, validation techniques, benchmark results, reporting format and means for estimating the overall uncertainty in order to produce valid, repeatable, and reproducible data.

The results obtained by following the protocols specified in this document represent a conservative estimate of the peak spatial-average SAR induced in the standard human body models due to mobile phones. The protocols set forth herein produce results subject to modelling, simulations and other uncertainties that are defined in this document.

It is not the intent of this document to provide a result representative of the absolute maximum SAR value possible under every conceivable combination of human body and mobile phone usage. The following items are described in detail: simulation concepts, simulation techniques, finite difference time domain (FDTD) numerical method, benchmark results, standardized numerical models of the human body. Procedures for validating the numerical tools used for SAR simulations and assessing the SAR simulation uncertainties are provided. This document is intended primarily for use by engineers and other specialists who are familiar with electromagnetic (EM) theory, numerical methods, and, in particular, FDTD techniques. This document does not recommend specific SAR limit values since these are found in other documents.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC/IEEE 62704 defines the concepts, techniques, benchmark phone models, validation procedures, uncertainties and limitations of the finite difference time domain (FDTD) technique when used for determining the peak spatial-average specific absorption rate (SAR) in standardized head and body phantoms exposed to the electromagnetic fields generated by wireless communication devices, in particular pre-compliance assessment of mobile phones, in the frequency range from 30 MHz to 6 GHz. It recommends and provides guidance on the numerical modelling of mobile phones and benchmark results to verify the general approach for the numerical simulations of such devices. It defines acceptable modelling requirements, guidance on meshing and test positions of the mobile phone and the phantom models. This document does not recommend specific SAR limits since these are found in other documents, e.g. IEEE C95.1-2005[1]² and ICNIRP[2].

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