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Indoor cabinets containing electronic equipment in subrack(s) and/ or chassis provide cooling by several different means, depending on the heat load of the equipment in the cabinet. In most cases air convection is used for cooling. The cabinets can be sealed or non-sealed, and may be equipped with fans for forced air cooling or rely on natural convection cooling without fans. In addition the subrack(s) or chassis may contain their own fans or rely on natural convection. Air convection systems are used to cool low to medium heat load applications. Indoor cabinets containing subrack(s) and/ or chassis assembled with high heat load electronic equipment typically are cooled by air to air heat exchangers or water supplied heat exchangers, and are not considered in this standard.

Sealed cabinets are used for systems operated in an industrial atmosphere, to protect the equipment against harsh environments, such as dust or water (IP), or provisions for EMC or acoustic noise. Non-sealed cabinets are used in offices, laboratories or data centres, where the environment is controlled.

The cooling performance of an electronic cabinet depends on the type of the cabinet, either sealed or non-sealed, with or without air moving devices, ventilated or re-circulated, and also, on the heat loads and the additional cooling systems (if any) of the equipment inside the cabinet.

Therefore, it is difficult to determine properly the cooling capabilities of empty electronic cabinets for various applications. This standard introduces a simplified method for an overall cooling performance evaluation for empty indoor cabinets in accordance with IEC 60917 or IEC 60297 series.

The purpose of this standard is to classify the cooling methods of empty indoor cabinets, to simplify the thermal hydraulic formulae for the evaluation and classification of cabinet cooling performances, and to exemplify the cooling performances for representative cabinet sizes based on IEC 60917 or IEC 60297.

This enables the users to select the appropriate cabinet cooling solutions for their applications.

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**1 Scope**

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