



High Voltage
(former Medium Voltage)

Power Factor Correction

IEC / EN 62271-1
IEC / EN 62271-200

Medium Voltage insulation levels

IEC			IEEE / ANSI		
Highest Voltage KVrms	Power-Frequency KVrms	Lightning Impulse (BIL) KVpeak	Highest Voltage KVrms	Power-Frequency KVrms	Lightning Impulse (BIL) KVpeak
3.6	10	20/40	2.4	15	45
7.2	20	40/60	5	19	60
12	28	60/75	8.7	26	75
17.5	38	75/95	15	34	95/110
24	50	95/125	25	40/50	125/150
36	70	145/170	34.5	70	200

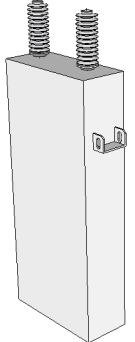
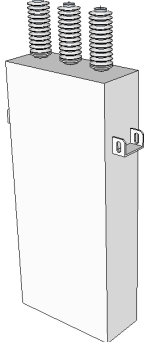
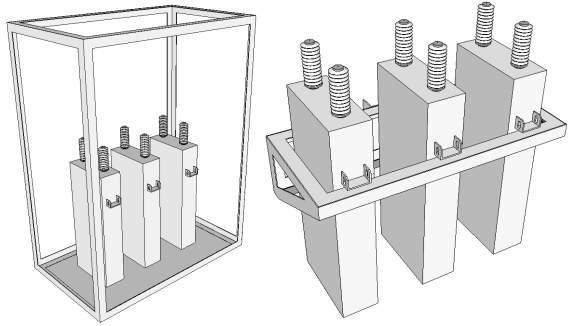
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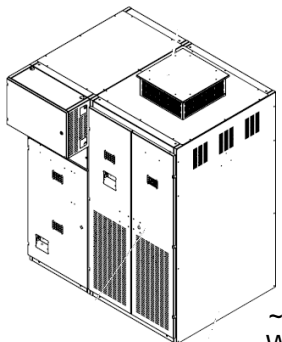
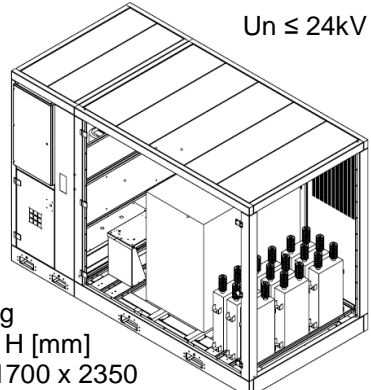
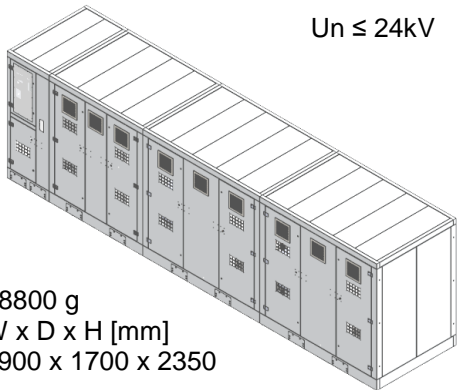
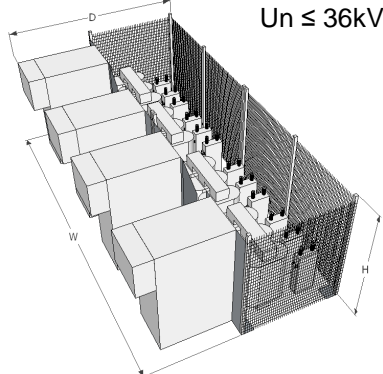
Network voltages

Voltage systems (belongs to IEC 60038 @50 Hz, belongs to IEC 60038 @60 Hz)

Insulation level [kV] (Power freq. voltage withstand [kVrms]/ Impulse voltage withstand [kV peak])	Network voltage [V]								
7.2 (20/60)	U _{line}	2400	3000	3300	4160	5500	6000	6300	6600
	U _{phase}	1386	1732	1905	2402	3175	3464	3637	3811
12 (28/75)	U _{line}	10000	10500	11000					
	U _{phase}	5774	6062	6351					
17.5 (38/95)	U _{line}	12000	13800	15000					
	U _{phase}	6928	7967	8660					
24 (50/125)	U _{line}	20000	22000						
	U _{phase}	11547	12702						
36 (70/170)	U _{line}	30000	31500	33000					
	U _{phase}	17321	18187	19053					

Available products

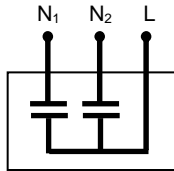
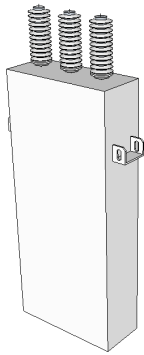
Capacitor units		Capacitor banks (BMT)	
 <p>CMMT $Q_n \leq 600 \text{ kVAr}$ $U_n \leq 24 \text{ kV}$</p>	 <p>CTMT $Q_n \leq 450 \text{ kVAr}$ $U_n \leq 24 \text{ kV}$</p>		

Capacitor installations (MVcells)			
<p>1 stage</p>  <p>Power factor correction of motors $U_n \leq 12 \text{ kV}$</p> <p>~800 .. 1400 kg $W \times D \times H \text{ [mm]}$ 1700 x 1150 x 2200</p>	<p>inlet + 1 stage</p>  <p>$U_n \leq 24 \text{ kV}$</p> <p>~4000 kg $W \times D \times H \text{ [mm]}$ 3800 x 1700 x 2350</p>	<p>inlet + 3 stages</p>  <p>$U_n \leq 24 \text{ kV}$</p> <p>~8800 g $W \times D \times H \text{ [mm]}$ 7900 x 1700 x 2350</p>	<p>4 stages</p>  <p>$U_n \leq 36 \text{ kV}$</p>

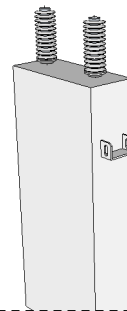
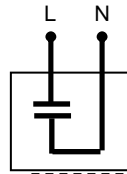
Capacitor units

according to IEC 60871-1

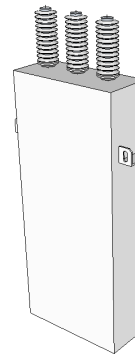
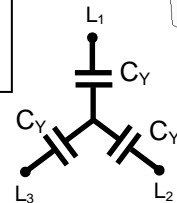
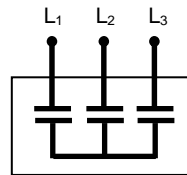
1-phase twin CGMT



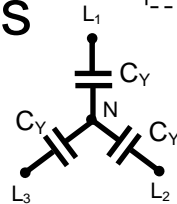
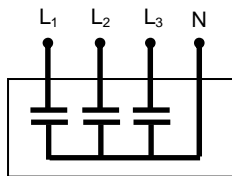
1-phase CMMT



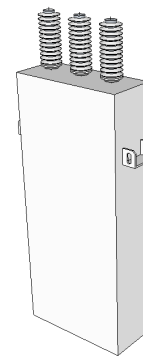
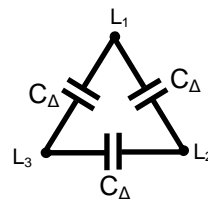
3-phase CTMT



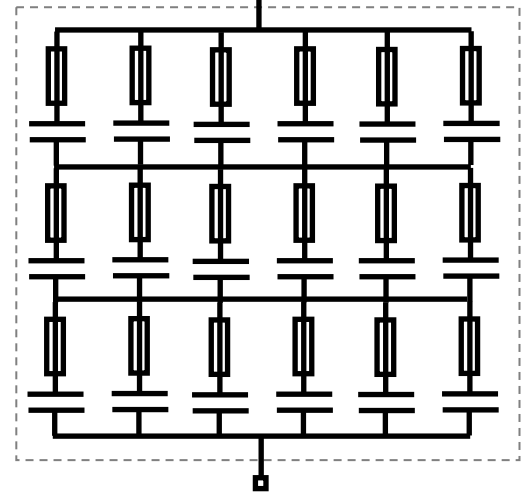
3-phase 4 bushings CNMT



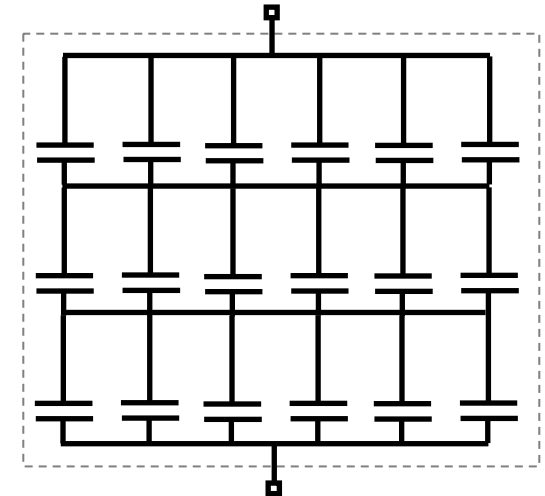
3-phase



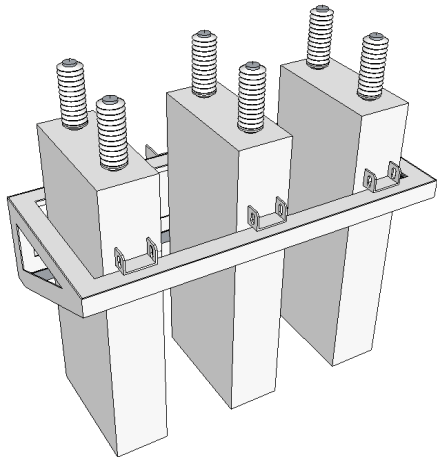
Internally fused 1-phase capacitor unit



1-phase capacitor unit without internal fuses

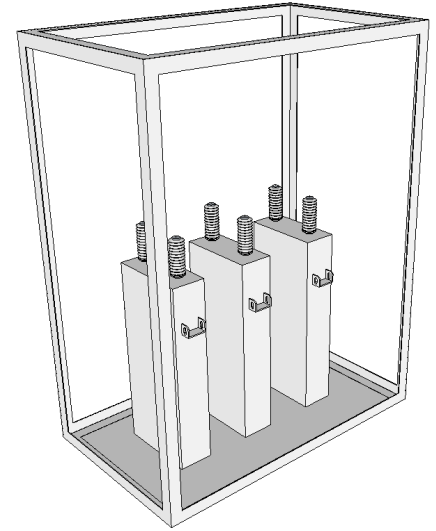


Capacitor banks (BMT)



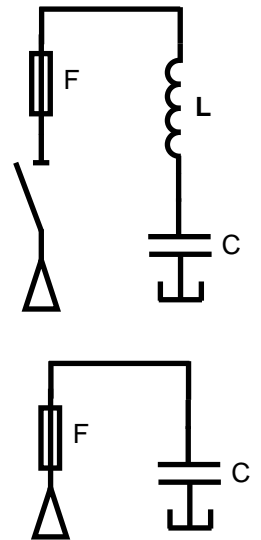
**Outdoor
Pole mounting (metallic bracket IP00)**

**Indoor / Outdoor
Floor mounting (metallic cage IP00)**



Accessories:

- inrush reactors
- expulsion fuses
- fuse cut-outs (expulsion fuses)

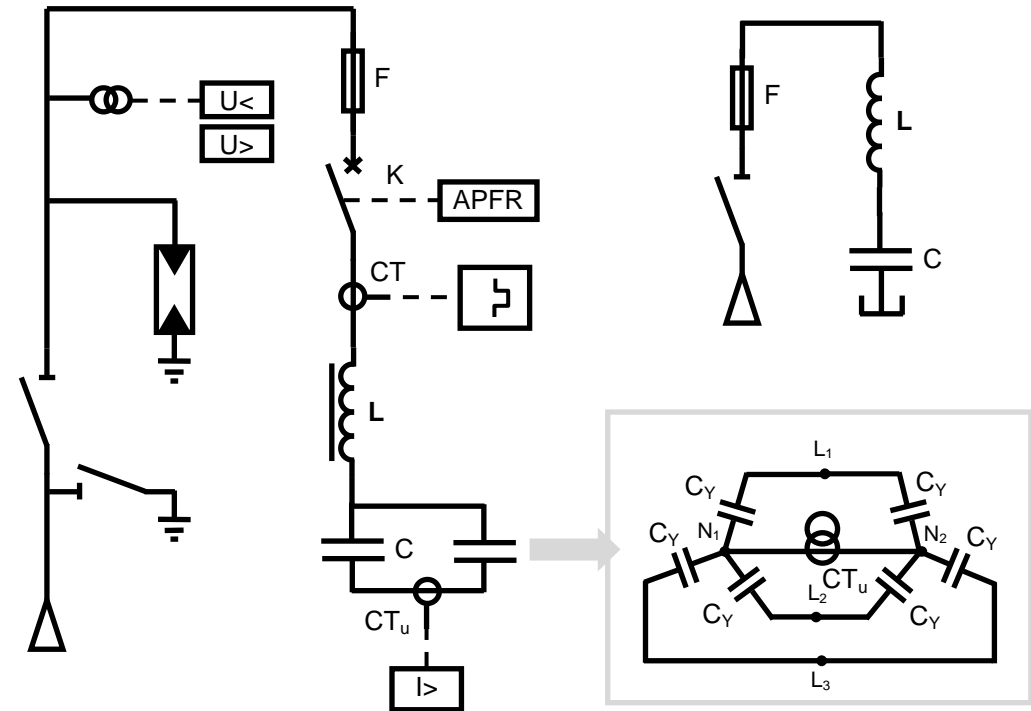
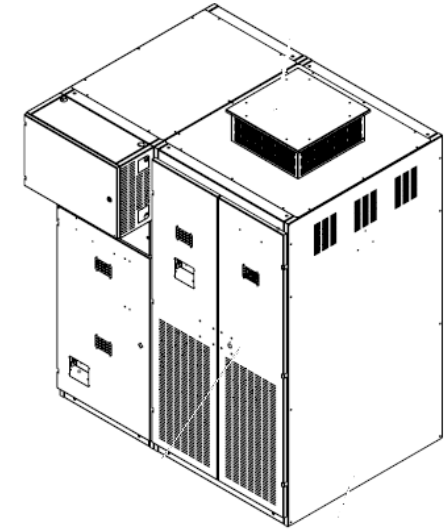
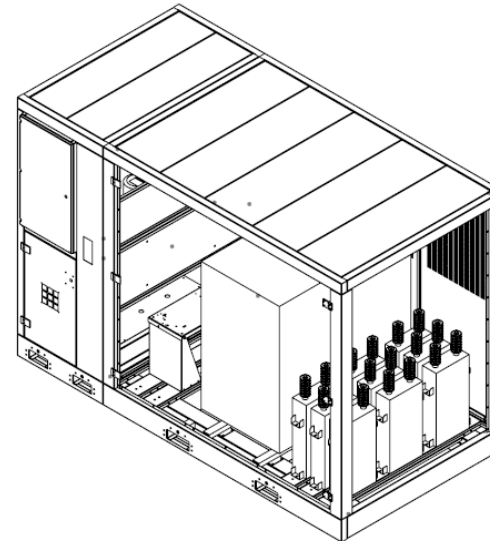


Capacitor stages

Indoor
Metallic enclosure IP3X

Options:

- outdoor (IP41, IP54)
- inrush reactors or detuned reactors (189Hz)
- surge arrester
- overcurrent protection
- double Y connection, with unbalance protection
- infrared inspection window
- smoke detector



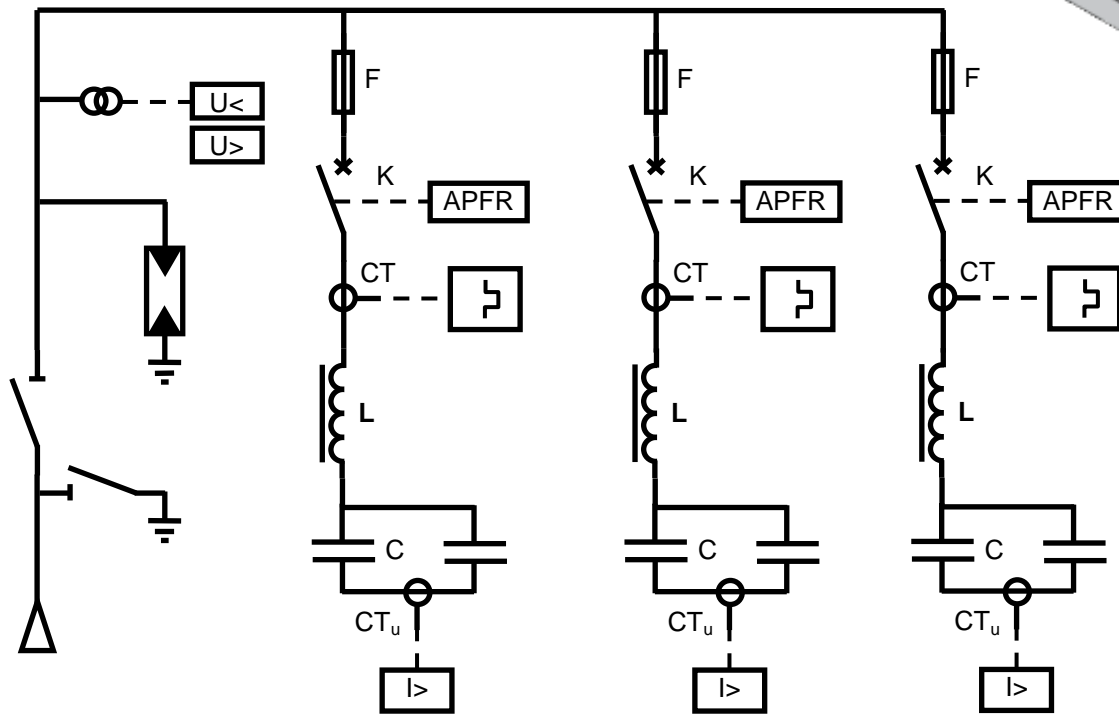
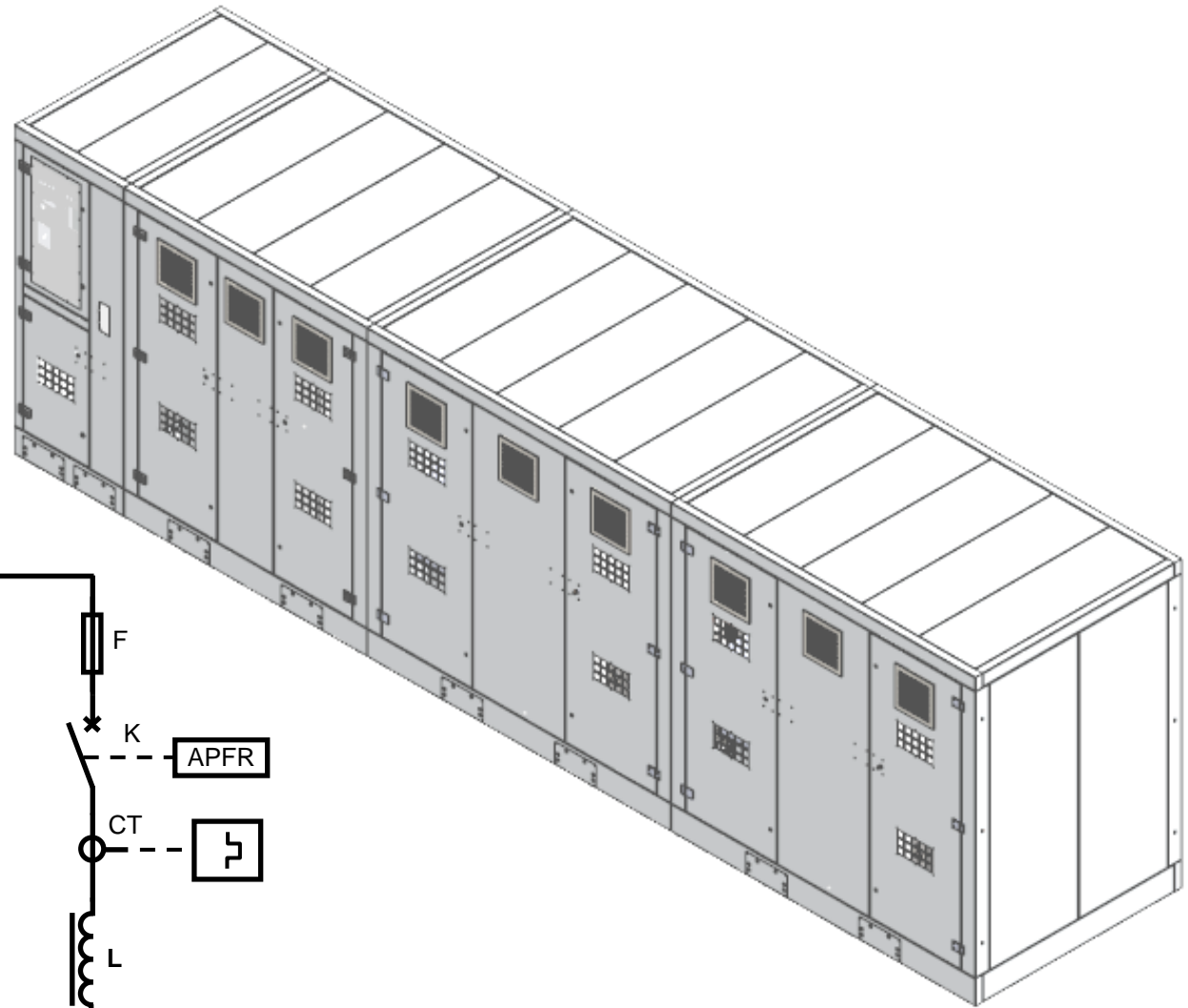
Capacitor installations

Indoor / Outdoor

Metallic enclosure IP3X

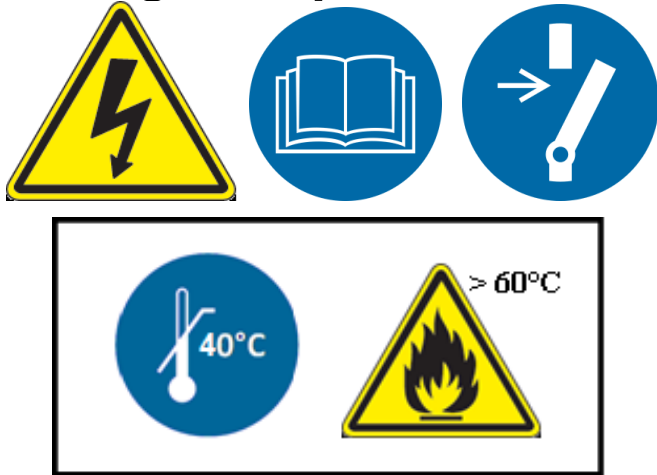
Example:

- 3 stages installation
- $12 < U_n \leq 24\text{kV}$

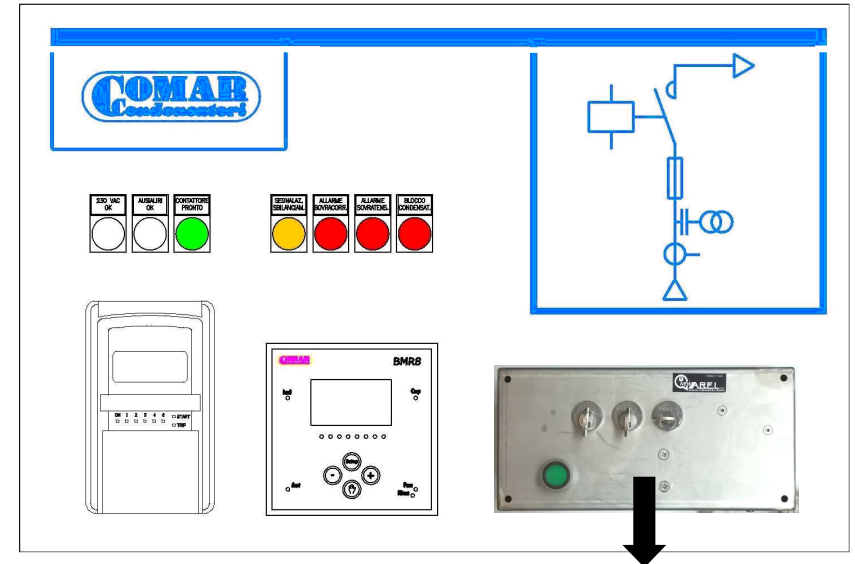


Control panel

Pictograms present on the front



... on the eyebolts



Defining the technical specifications of a Power Factor Correction system

1. evaluate the necessary reactive power
2. resonance risk analysis
3. harmonics forecast / measurement
4. gather all the other necessary information (see enclosures)

Medium Voltage Power Factor Correction
Primary requirements - rev.4 Comar Condensatori Spa

Grid specifications - point of common coupling (PCC)

Description	Symbol	Value	Unit	Default value	Standard
Nominal voltage	U_n	-	kV	-	IEC 60038
Insulation Level	U_n/U_{iBL}	/ /	kV	-	IEC 62271-1 table 1a
Nominal Frequency	f_n	-	Hz	50	IEC 60038
Presence of harmonic	-	-	-	No	IEC 61000-2-x EN 50180
Installation (indoor/outdoor)	-	-	-	Indoor	-
Requested compensation (Capacitive, Inductive, Mixed)	-	-	-	Capacitive	-

Power factor (cos ϕ)	PF	1
Active power	P	MW
	P_{Piv}	MW
Reactive power	Q	MVar
	Q_C	MVar
	Q_L	MVar
	Q_C	MVar

Power factor controller
Number of steps: ... (max 12)
Reactive power of each step:

Other requirements:

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Medium Voltage Power Factor Correction
Necessary technical requirements - rev.4 Comar Condensatori Spa

Grid specifications - point of common coupling (PCC)

Description	Symbol	Value	Unit	Default value	Standard
Network type	-	-	-	3-phase + PE	-
Earthing system	-	-	-	TN-C	IEC 60364
Nominal voltage	U_n	-	kV	-	IEC 60038
Voltage range	U_n/U_{iBL}	/ /	kV	± 5	IEC 61000-2-x, EN 50180
Insulation Level	-	-	-	-	IEC 62271-1
Nominal Frequency	f_n	-	Hz	50	IEC 60038
Frequency range	-	-	-	± 2	IEC 61000-2-x, EN 50180
Equivalent impedance	Z_e	-	Ω	$0.1 + j 0.3$ phase neutral $0.3 \times I$	IEC TR 60725
Total voltage harmonic distortion	THD _v	-	%	5	IEC 61000-2-x, EN 50180
Total current harmonic distortion	THD _i	-	%	25	IEC 61000-2-x, EN 50180

Prospective short-circuit current at supply terminals (some data are derived from the formulas below)

Prospective short-circuit current	I_{sc}	kA	-
Supply power <td>S_n <td>MVA <td>-</td> </td></td>	S_n <td>MVA <td>-</td> </td>	MVA <td>-</td>	-
Short circuit power <td>S_{sc} <td>MVA <td>-</td> </td></td>	S_{sc} <td>MVA <td>-</td> </td>	MVA <td>-</td>	-
Short circuit voltage <td>U_{sc} <td>kV <td>-</td> </td></td>	U_{sc} <td>kV <td>-</td> </td>	kV <td>-</td>	-
		% <td>-</td>	-

Power factor	PF	1
Active power	P	MW
	P_{Piv}	MW
Reactive power	Q	MVar
	Q_C	MVar
	Q_L	MVar
	Q_C	MVar

Power factor controller
Number of steps: ... (max 12)
Reactive power of each step:

Other requirements:

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unit	Default value	Standard
°C	-5 +40	LV equipments: IEC 61439-1 IEC 61921
%	50 @ 40°C	MV equipments: IEC 62271-200
m	<1000	-
-	IP31	IEC 60529

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ral air cooled / [] other:

/ [] No

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an initial peak voltage /2 times rated voltage, maximum
e time ≤ 600 s

or / [] Outdoor

current limitation

other:

Hz

3)

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5. send an enquiry to Comar Condensatori Spa

Safety devices to protect the capacitor installation

Inside the capacitor unit

- **Fuse on each capacitor element**
- **Pressure switch**

Inside each capacitor stage

- **Overcurrent protection (1 protection relay + 3 Current Transformers)**
- **Current Unbalance protection (YY configuration + 1 protection relay + 1 Current Transformer)**
- **Detuned reactor**
- **Over-temperature alarm**

In the inlet stage of the capacitor installation

- **Overvoltage protection**

Outside the capacitor installation

- **Smoke detector and Over-temperature alarm connected to the fire protection system**
- **Upstream Residual Current Device**

Risk of resonance with the upstream transformer

P_{SC} Short circuit power at insertion point

Q_C Reactive power of the capacitor bank

X_C Capacitor reactance @ f_1

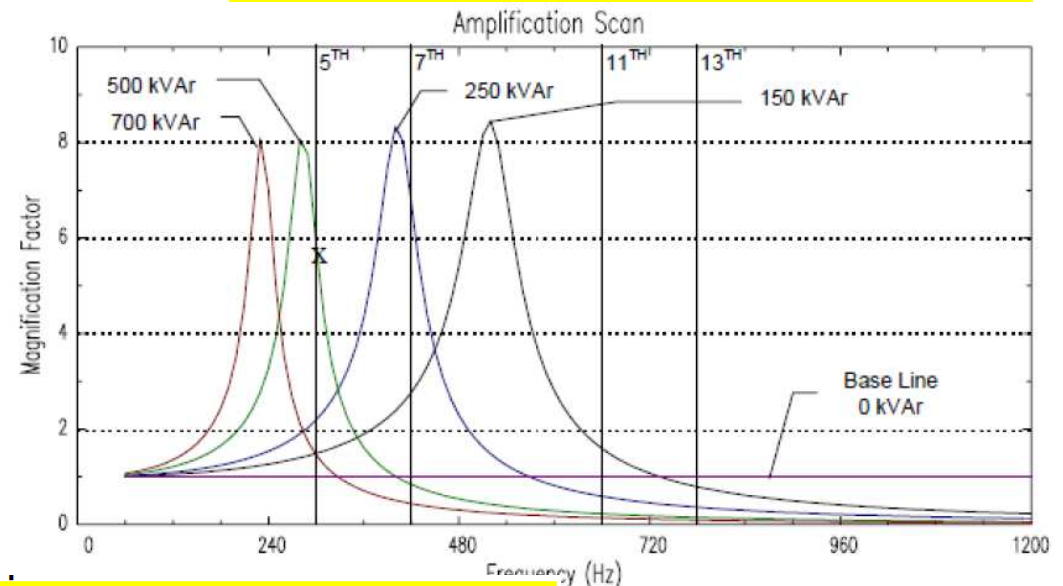
X_{SC} Transformer reactance at short circuit

P_{tr} transformer power

Z_{tr} transformer impedance %

$f_r = h_r f_1$

$$h_r = \sqrt{\frac{X_C}{X_{SC}}} = \sqrt{\frac{P_{SC}}{Q_C}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{1}{Q_C} \cdot \frac{P_{tr}}{\frac{Z_{tr} \%}{100}}}$$



The risk is present when:

$$h_r - 0.2 < \sqrt{\frac{1}{Q_C} \cdot \frac{P_{tr}}{\frac{Z_{tr} \%}{100}}} < h_r + 0.2$$