DISTRIBUTION SOLUTIONS

UniGear ZS1
Medium-voltage air-insulated switchgear up to 24 kV
UniGear ZS1 is the ABB mainline switchgear for primary distribution up to 24 kV, 4 000 A, 50 kA. The switchgear is manufactured worldwide and there are more than 300 000 panels currently installed. UniGear ZS1 is used to distribute electric power in a variety of demanding applications such as on off-shore platforms, in container or cruise ships, in mines as well as in utility substations, power plants or chemical plants. Panels are available as a single busbar, double busbar, back-to-back or double level solution.
Benefits

Well-established global product with more than 300,000 panels produced and installed in more than 100 countries

Highest safety level for people and equipment

High customization and adaptation level while integrating into existing or new installation
Approved to be used for special applications such as marine, seismic, nuclear and type tested for IEC, GB/DL, GOST and CSA standards

Compatible with other panel types from UniGear family

Solution with consideration of environmental impacts while designing
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UniGear ZS1
Description

- UniGear ZS1 is the ABB mainline global switchgear up to 24 kV, 4000 A, 50 kA and is produced close to you in all the six continents
- More than 300,000 panels produced and installed in more than 100 countries
- Each UniGear ZS1 panel consists of a single unit which can be equipped with a circuit-breaker, contactor or switch-disconnector, as well as with all the accessories available for conventional switchgear units
- Approved to be used for special applications such as marine, seismic, nuclear and type tested for IEC, GB/DL, GOST and CSA standards
- Units can be coupled together directly with the other products of the UniGear family
- The switchgear does not require rear access for installation or maintenance, all the operations are carried out from the front

Characteristics of UniGear ZS1

Range
- Up to 12-17.5 kV, ...4000 A, ...50 kA
- Up to 24 kV, ...3150 A, ...31.5 kA
- Standard IEC
- Highly customized versions

Safety
- Fitted with safety interlocks
- Internal arc classification IAC AFLR
- Classified LSC-2B, PM
- CB racking with closed door

Flexibility
- Wide applications
- Vacuum and SF6 circuit-breaker
- Vacuum contactor
- Switch-disconnector
- Traditional CT/VT and sensors
- Wall and free-standing solution

Quality
- ABB quality
- Large installed base
- Installed in high number of countries

Design includes
- Protection and control
- Earthing switch
- Ultra fast earthing switch
- IS Limiter
- Integrated capacitor banks
- Bay computer
### Applications

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- Power generation stations
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- Main and auxiliary switchgear

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UniGear ZS1

Description

UniGear ZS1 is medium voltage switchgear with a metal enclosure, suitable for indoor installations. Metal partitions segregate the compartments from each other and the live parts are air-insulated.

Since the switchgear is highly modular type, this make simple selection of components required by any application. The functional units of the switchgear are guaranteed arc proof in accordance with the IEC 62271-200 Standards, appendix AA, class A accessibility, criteria 1 to 5. All the installation, operation and maintenance operations can be carried out from the front of the unit. The switchgear and the earthing switches are operated from the front with the door closed. The switchgear can be back to wall installed.

The use of these units allows extremely efficient use of space. In addition UniGear ZS1 single busbar is possible to combine to other members of UniGear family like:

- UniGear 550
- UniGear 500R
- UniGear MCC

Normal operation conditions

The rated characteristics of the switchgear are guaranteed under the following ambient conditions:

- Minimum ambient temperature: – 5 °C
- Maximum ambient temperature: + 40 °C

For different temperature ranges, please contact your ABB sales representative.

Ambient humidity:

- maximum 24 h average of relative humidity 95% RH
- maximum 24 h average of water vapour pressure 2.2 kPa
- maximum monthly average of relative humidity 90% RH
- maximum monthly average of water vapour pressure 1.8 kPa

The normal operational altitude is up to 1 000 m above sea level. For higher altitude applications, please contact your ABB sales representative. Presence of normal, non-corrosive and uncontaminated atmosphere.

Apparatus

The range of apparatus available for UniGear ZS1 switchgear is the most complete on the market, including:

- Withdrawable vacuum circuit-breakers with mechanical or magnetic actuator
- Withdrawable gas circuit-breakers
- Withdrawable vacuum contactors with fuses
- Fixed version of switch-disconnectors

This makes it possible to offer a single switchgear-user interface, with the same operational and maintenance procedures. The switchgear can be fitted with instrument transformers or sensors for current and voltage measurement and protection and any type of protection and control unit.

Switchgear, busbar configuration

In the completion of the traditional functional units in single level-single busbar arrangement, the UniGear ZS1 switchgear platform is fitted with:

- Double-level
- Compact units equipped with contactors with fuses
- Double Busbar Systems
Standards

The switchgear and main apparatus contained in it comply with the following Standards:

- IEC 62271-1 for general purposes
- IEC 62271-200 for the switchgear
- IEC 62271-102 for the earthing switch
- IEC 62271-100 for the circuit-breakers
- IEC 60071-2 for the insulation coordination
- IEC 62271-106 for the contactors
- IEC 60265-1 for the switch-disconnectors
- IEC 60529 for degree of protections

Degrees of protection

The degrees of protection of the switchgear conform with IEC 60529 Standards.

UniGear ZS1 switchgear is normally supplied with the following standard degrees of protection:

- IP4X for the enclosure
- IP2X for the partition between compartments

On request, the external housing can be supplied with a higher degree of protection; in this case please contact your ABB sales representative.

The electrical characteristics of the switchboard can vary for ambient conditions other than those described in the previous section and also if a higher degree of protection is used.

Colour of the external surfaces

RAL7035 - light grey (front doors and side sheets). Other colours are available on request.

### Electrical characteristics

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GB/DL version is available with higher request in dielectric characteristics (42 kV) and short time withstand current (4 s)

The values indicated are valid for both vacuum and SF6 circuit-breaker

For panel with contactor the rated current value is 400 A

CSA version is available for 27.6 kV
UniGear ZS1
IEC Classification

With the release of the IEC 62271-200 standard, new definitions and classifications of Medium Voltage switchgear have been introduced.

One of the most significant changes is that classification of switchgear into metal-enclosed, compartmented and cubicle types has been abandoned. The revision of switchgear classification rules has been based on the user’s point of view, in particular on aspects like service and maintenance of the switchgear, according to the requirements and expectations for proper management, from installation to dismantling. In this context, Loss of Service Continuity (LSC) has been selected as a fundamental parameter for the user. According to the IEC 62271-200, UniGear ZS1 switchgear can be defined as follows.

Loss of service continuity - LSC-2B
The various LSC categories describe possibility of keeping other compartments and/or panels energized while a compartment in the main circuit is opened. The defined categories are:

• LSC-1: The whole switchgear shall be put out of service for opening a main circuit compartment for normal operation and/or normal maintenance or for gaining access to any switchgear components
• LSC-2A: The same as LSC-1 with the exception that the main busbars and the functional units adjacent to the one under maintenance can remain energized
• LSC-2B: The same as LSC-2A with the exception that the cable compartment can remain energized

UniGear ZS1 is classified as LSC-2B because the busbar, circuit-breaker and cable compartments are physically and electrically segregated. This is the category that defines the possibility of accessing the circuit-breaker compartment with the busbars and cables energized. In case of using the fixed version of the switch-disconnector, the panel is defined LSC-2A because the cable and apparatus compartments are not physically segregated.

Partition Metallic - PM
With regard to the type of partitions or shutters between live parts and an open compartment, a distinction is made between two partition classes:

• Class PM (Partition made of Metal)
• Class PI (Partition made of Insulating material)

UniGear ZS1 is defined with PM partition class having the segregation between compartments made of metallic sheets/shutters.

Interlock-controlled accessible compartment
The front side of UniGear ZS1 is classified interlock-controlled because the access of the compartments containing high-voltage parts, intended to be opened for normal operation and/or normal maintenance, is controlled by the integral design of the switchgear.

Tool-based accessible compartment
The rear part of the UniGear ZS1 is classified tool-based because it is possible to open the compartment containing high-voltage parts, that may be opened, but not for normal operation and maintenance, only using a tool. Special procedures are required.

Internal arc classification – IAC AFLR
UniGear ZS1 switchgear is classified IAC AFLR. When the switchgear is specified and installed, some fundamental points must be taken into consideration:

• Level of the fault current (16...50 kA)
• Duration of the fault (0.1...1s)
• Escape routes for the hot and toxic gases produced by combustion of materials
• Dimensions of the room, with special attention to the height

Please consult your ABB representatives for detailed information.
UniGear ZS1

Design features

Compartments
Each switchgear unit consists of three power compartments: circuit-breaker, busbars and cables; please refer to figure on next page. Each unit is fitted with a low voltage compartment, where all the auxiliary instruments are housed.
Arc-proof switchgear is normally provided with a duct for evacuation of the gases produced by an arc; different types of gas ducts are available.
All the compartments are accessible from the front and maintenance operations can correctly carried out with the switchgear installed up against a wall.
The compartments are segregated from each other by metallic partitions.

Main busbars
The busbar compartment contains the main busbar system connected to the upper isolating contacts of the circuit-breaker by means of branch connections.
The main busbars are made of electrolytic copper.
For ratings up to 2 500 A, the busbars are flat bars; while for currents between 3 150 A and 4 000 A, a special D-shape busbar is used.
The busbars are covered with insulating material.
There is a single busbar compartment along the whole length of the switchgear up to 31.5 kA, which optionally can be divided into compartments. For 40/50 kA these bushings are a standard feature.

Cable connections
The cable compartment contains the branch system for connection of the power cables to the lower contacts of the circuit-breaker.
The feeder connections are made of electrolytic copper and they are flat busbars for the whole range of currents.
For 17.5 and 24 kV they are covered with insulating material.

Earthing switch
Cable compartment can be fitted with an earthing switch for cable earthing.
The same device can also be used to earth the busbar system (measurements and bus-tie units).
It can also be installed directly on the main busbar system in a dedicated compartment (busbar applications).
The earthing switch has short-circuit making capacity.
Control of the earthing switch is from the front of the switchgear with manual operation, and optionally, can also be motor operated.
The position of the earthing switch can be seen from the front of the switchgear by means of a mechanical coupled indicator.

Earthing busbar
The earthing busbar is made of electrolytic copper and it runs longitudinally throughout the switchgear, thereby guaranteeing maximum personnel and installation safety.

Insulating bushings and shutters
The insulating bushings in the circuit-breaker compartment contain the contacts for connection of the circuit-breaker with the busbar compartment and cable compartment respectively.
The insulating bushings are of single-pole type and are made of epoxy resin.
The shutters are metallic and are activated automatically during movement of the circuit-breaker from the racked-out position to the operation position and vice versa.

Cables
Single and three-core cables up to a maximum of twelve per phase can be used depending on the rated voltage, the unit dimensions and the cable cross section.
The switchgear can be back to wall installed as the cables are easily accessible from the front.
Gas exhaust duct
The gas exhaust duct is positioned above the switchgear and runs along its whole length. Each power compartment is fitted with a flap on its top surface. The pressure generated by the fault makes it open, allowing the gas to pass into the duct. Evacuation from the room of the hot gases and incandescent particles produced by the internal arc must normally be carried out. The UniGear ZS1 switchgear can be fitted with a complete range of solutions to satisfy all requirements, either in the case where evacuation is possible directly at the end of the switchgear, or when solutions from the front or rear are requested. Some installations, such as marine applications, do not allow evacuation of the gases to the outside of the room and therefore a dedicated solution has been developed to guarantee personnel safety and conformity with the Standards, such as longitudinal evacuation chimneys. Please contact your ABB sales representative for more information.

Busbar applications
Each switchgear unit can optionally be fitted with an accessory busbar application:
- Current or voltage transformers for busbar measurements
- Busbar system earthing switch
- Top entry duct or cables to make interconnections between different sections of switchgear
UniGear ZS1
Fully type-tested

The UniGear ZS1 switchgear has undergone all the tests required by the international (IEC) Standards and local Standards organizations (for example, the Chinese GB/DL and Russian GOST standards).

In addition, the tests required by the main shipping registers (LR, DNV, RINA, BV and GL) have been carried out for use of the switchgear in marine installations.

As indicated in these standards, the tests were carried out on the switchgear units considered most sensitive to the effects of the tests and therefore the results were extended across the whole range.

Each switchgear unit is subjected to routine tests in the factory before delivery.

These tests are intended to provide a functional check of the switchgear based on the specific characteristics of each installation.

Description of IEC type tests

Short-time and peak withstand current
The test shows that the main power and the earthing circuits resist the stresses caused by the passage of the short-circuit current without any damage.

It should also be noted that both the earthing system of the withdrawable circuit-breaker and the earthing busbar of the switchgear are subjected to the test.

The mechanical and electrical properties of the main busbar system and of the top and bottom branch connections remain unchanged even in the case of a short-circuit.

Temperature rise
The temperature rise test is carried out at the rated current value of the switchgear unit and shows that the temperature does not become excessive in any part of the switchgear unit.

During the test, both the switchgear and the circuit-breaker or contactor it may be fitted with are checked.

Internal arc capability
Please refer to chapter Safety

Dielectric test
These tests verify that the switchgear has sufficient capability to withstand the lightning impulse and the power frequency voltage.

The power frequency withstand voltage test is carried out as a type test, but it is also a routine test on every switchgear unit manufactured.

Circuit-breaker making and breaking capacity
The circuit-breaker or contactor is subjected to the rated current and short-circuit current breaking tests.

Furthermore, it is also subjected to the opening and closing of capacitive and inductive loads, capacitor banks and/or cable lines.
Earthing switch making capacity
The earthing switch of the UniGear ZS1 switchgear can be closed under short-circuit. Although, the earthing switch is normally interlocked to avoid being operated on circuits which are still live. However, should this happen for any one of several reasons, personnel safety would be fully safeguarded.

Mechanical operations
The mechanical endurance tests on all the operating parts ensures the reliability of the apparatus. General experience in the electro-technical sector shows that mechanical faults are one of the most common causes of a fault in an installation. The circuit-breaker is tested by carrying out a high number of operations - higher than those which are normally carried out by installations in the filed. Furthermore, the switchgear components are part of a quality control program and samples are regularly taken from the production lines and subjected to mechanical life tests to verify that the quality is identical to that of the components subjected to the type tests.

IP protection degree
The IP protection degree is the resistance offered by the UniGear ZS1 against penetration of solid objects and liquids. This degree of resistance is indicated by the prefix IP followed by two characters (i.e. IP4X). The first number identifies the degree of protection against the entrance of solid objects, the second one is related to liquids.

Type tests required by the shipping registers
High ambient temperature
The service conditions for the electrical apparatus in marine installations are generally more severe than those in normal land applications. Temperature is a main factor and for this reason the shipping register regulations require the switchgear to be able to operate at higher ambient temperatures (45 °C or higher) than those stated in the IEC Standards (40 °C).

Inclination
The test is carried out by inclining the switchgear for a defined time up to 25° alternately on all four sides and operating the apparatus. The test proves that the switchgear is able to resist these extreme service conditions and that all the apparatus it contains can be operated without any problems and without being damaged.

Vibration
The reliability and sturdiness of the UniGear ZS1 switchgear has been definitively proved by the result of the withstand test to mechanical stresses due to vibration. The service conditions on shipping installations and marine platforms require the switchgear to work in environments strongly affected by vibrations, such as those caused by the motors on large cruise ships or the drilling plants of oil rigs.

• 1 mm amplitude in the frequency range between 2 and 13.2 Hz
• 0.7 g acceleration amplitude in the frequency range between 13.2 and 100 Hz
**UniGear ZS1**  
**Safety**

When developing modern medium voltage switchgear, personnel safety must necessarily take priority.

This is why the UniGear ZS1 switchgear has been designed and tested to withstand an internal arc due to a short-circuit current of the same current level as the maximum short-time withstand level. The tests show that the metal housing of UniGear ZS1 switchgear is able to protect personnel near the switchgear in the case of a fault which evolves as far as striking an internal arc.

An internal arc is a highly unlikely fault, although it can theoretically be caused by various factors, such as:

- Insulation defects due to quality deterioration of the components. The reasons can be adverse environmental conditions and a highly polluted atmosphere.
- Overvoltages of atmospheric origin or generated by the operation of a component
- Inadequate training of the personnel in charge of the installation
- Breakage or tampering of the safety interlocks
- Overheating of the contact area, due to the presence of corrosive agents or when the connections are not sufficiently tightened
- Entry of small animals into the switchgear (i.e. through cable entrance)
- Material left behind inside the switchgear during maintenance activities

The characteristics of the UniGear ZS1 switchgear notably reduce the incidence of these causes for faults, but some of them may not be eliminated completely.

The energy produced by the internal arc causes the following phenomena:

- Increase in the internal pressure
- Increase in temperature
- Visual and acoustic effects
- Mechanical stresses on the switchgear structure
- Melting, decomposition and evaporation of materials

Unless suitably protected, these phenomena have very serious consequences for the personnel, such as wounds (due to the shock wave, flying parts and the doors opening) and burns (due to emission of hot gases).

The internal arc test verifies that the compartment doors remain closed and that no components are ejected from the switchgear even when subjected to very high pressures, and that no flames or incandescent gases penetrate, thereby ensuring safety of the personnel near the switchgear.

The test also ensure that no holes are produced in external accessible parts of the housing, and finally, that all the connections to the earthing circuit remain intact, hence guaranteeing the safety of personnel who may access the switchgear after the fault.

The IEC 62271-200 Standard describes the methods to be used for carrying out the test and the criteria which the switchgear must conform to.

The UniGear ZS1 switchgear fully conforms to all the five criteria indicated by the IEC standards.

The IAC classification is proved by the test according to the following designations:

- General: classification IAC (Internal Arc Classified)
- Accessibility: A, B or C (switchgear accessible to authorized personnel only (A), to all (B), not accessible due to installation (C)
- F, L, R: access from the front (F – Front), from the sides (L – Lateral) and from the rear (R – rear)
- Test values: test current in kiloamperes (kA), and duration in seconds (s)

The parameters of each specific plant mean that evacuation of the hot gases and incandescent particles must be checked very carefully in order to ensure and maintain personnel safety.
**Fault limiting systems**

The structure of the UniGear ZS1 switchgear offers complete passive type protection against the effects of a fault due to an internal arc for a time of 1 second up to 50 kA.

ABB has also developed excellent active protection systems which allow very important objectives to be achieved:

- Detection and extinguition of the fault, normally in less than 100 ms, which improves network stability
- Limitation of damage on the apparatus
- Limitation of outage time for the switchgear unit

For active protection against an internal arc, devices consisting of various types of sensors can be installed in the various compartments, which detect the immediate outburst of the fault and carry out selective tripping of the circuit-breakers.

The fault limiting systems are based on sensors which use the pressure or light generated by the arc fault as trigger for fault disconnection.

**ITH**

The ITH sensors consist of micro-switches positioned on the top of the switchgear near the gas exhaust flaps of the three power compartments (busbars, circuit-breaker and cables).

The shock wave makes the flaps open and operate the micro-switches connected to the shunt opening release of the circuit-breaker. Total tripping time is 75 ms (15 ms ITH + 60 ms circuit-breaker).

**TVOC**

This system consists of an electronic monitoring device located in the low voltage compartment which is connected to optic sensors. These are distributed in the power compartments and are connected to the device by means of optic fibres. When a certain pre-set light level is exceeded, the device opens the circuit-breakers.

To prevent the system from intervening due to light occasionally generated by external phenomena (flash of a camera, reflections of external lights, etc.), current transformers can also be connected to the monitoring device.

The protection module only sends the opening command to the circuit-breaker if it receives the light and short-circuit current signal simultaneously.

Total tripping time is 62 ms (2 ms TVOC + 60 ms circuit-breaker).

**REA**

This system offers the same functionality as TVOC. The REA system consists of the main unit (REA 101) and optional extension units (REA 103, 105, 107) which make it possible to create customized solutions with selective tripping.

Total tripping time is 62,5 ms (2,5 ms REA + 60 ms circuit-breaker).

**Arc protection in IED**

The REF615, RET615, REM615 and REF610 IEDs (Intelligent Electronic Device) can optionally be fitted with a fast and selective arc flash protection. It offers a two-to three-channel arc-fault protection system for arc flash supervision of the circuit breaker, cable and busbar compartment of switchgear panels.

Total tripping time is 72 ms (12 ms IED + 60 ms circuit-breaker).

**UFES (ultra fast earthing switch)**

The UFES is an innovative design of an extremely fast-acting earthing switch, grounding all 3 phases within < 4 ms after detection of an internal arc fault.
UniGear ZS1

Safety

The UniGear ZS1 switchgear is fitted with all the interlocks and accessories needed to guarantee the highest level of safety and reliability for both installation and personnel.

Interlocks
The safety mechanical interlocks are standard ones [1÷5], please see the dedicated table on next page. They are set out by the IEC standards and are therefore necessary to guarantee the correct operation sequence. ABB safety interlocks guarantees the highest level of reliability, even in the case of an accidental error, and enables highest operator safety system of interlocks.

Keys
The use of key interlocks is very important in realising the interlocking logics between panels of the same switchgear, or of other medium, low and high voltage switchgear. The logics are realised by means of distributors or by ringing the keys. The apparatus truck [6] can be locked in the racked-out position and the relevant lock key can only be removed with the apparatus in this position. The earthing switch closing [7] and opening [8] operations can be locked by means of keys, key logic is explained in the table on next page. These locks can also be applied to the earthing switch of busbar applications. The earthing switch opening/closing [10] can be prevented by applying the padlocks to the insertion slots of the relevant operating levers. The padlock can also be applied to the earthing switch of busbar applications. The metallic segregation shutters [15] between circuit-breaker, busbars and cables compartments can be locked by means of two independent padlocks in both the open and closed positions. Padlocks from 4 to 8 mm diameter can be accommodated.

Locked magnets
The locking magnets enable automatic interlocking logics without human intervention. The circuit-breaker racking-in/out [16] and the earthing switch closing/opening [17] operations can be interlocked. This magnet can also be applied to the earthing switch of busbar applications. The magnets operate with active logics and therefore the lack of auxiliary voltage leaves the interlocking system active in safety condition.

Padlocks
The circuit-breaker [11] and cables [12] compartment doors can be locked in the closed position by means of padlocks. These can be applied to both door closing versions — with central handle (standard) or screws (optional). The operations for apparatus racking-in/out [13] and earthing switch opening/closing [14] can be prevented by applying the padlocks to the insertion slots of the relevant operating levers.
### Standard safety interlocks (mandatory)

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<td>A Apparatus racking-in/out</td>
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<td>A Apparatus racking-in</td>
<td>Apparatus multi-contact plug plugged</td>
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<td>A Earthing switch closing</td>
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<td>Earthing switch in open position</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>A Apparatus compartment door opening</td>
<td>Truck in test position</td>
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<td>B Apparatus racking-in</td>
<td>Apparatus compartment door closed</td>
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<td>A Earthing switch closing</td>
<td>Earthing switch in ON position</td>
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<td>B Earthing switch opening</td>
<td>Cable compartment door closed</td>
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Note: Apparatus are circuit-breakers and contactors

### Keys (on request)

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<td>Apparatus racking-in lock</td>
<td>Can only be removed with the truck in the racked-out position</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Earthing switch closing lock</td>
<td>Can only be removed with the earthing switch open</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Earthing switch opening lock</td>
<td>Can only be removed with the earthing closed</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>Insertion of the apparatus racking-in/out crank lever</td>
<td>Can always be removed</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>Insertion of the earthing switch operating lever</td>
<td>Can always be removed</td>
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### Padlocks

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<td>Shutters fail-safe</td>
<td>The device locks the shutters in the closed position when the apparatus is removed from the compartment. The operator cannot open the shutters manually. The shutters can only be operated by the apparatus truck or the service trucks.</td>
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<td>21</td>
<td>Apparatus-switchgear unit compatibility matrix</td>
<td>The apparatus multi-contact plug and relative switchgear unit socket are equipped with a mechanical matrix, that disables apparatus racking-in into a switchgear unit with an inappropriate rated current.</td>
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<td>22</td>
<td>Circuit-breaker mechanical operating mechanism</td>
<td>The apparatus compartment is equipped with a mechanical device, that enables circuit-breaker closing and/or opening directly by means of the front operating mechanism pushbuttons, keeping the door closed. The controls can be operated with the circuit-breakers in the operation and racked-out position.</td>
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UniGear ZS1 switchgear can be fitted with the widest range of apparatus available on the market today, and of these the vacuum circuit-breaker now occupies a position of prime importance in all sectors of primary distribution. Vacuum circuit-breakers cover the whole range of switchgear parameters and therefore the whole range of applications. Many years of experience gained in developing and using vacuum interrupters is today reflected in the range of ABB circuit-breakers, which stand out for their exceptional electrical and mechanical characteristics, extremely long life, low maintenance, compactness and the use of highly innovative construction techniques. ABB develops and produces a complete range of interrupters for use in circuit-breakers and contactors and for all medium voltage applications.

VD4 circuit-breaker

The VD4 medium voltage circuit-breaker interrupters use vacuum to extinguish the electric arc and as the insulating medium. Thanks to the unequalled properties of vacuum and the breaking technique used, current interruption takes place without arc chopping and without overvoltages. Restoration of the dielectric properties following interruption is extremely rapid. The VD4 circuit-breakers are used for protection of cables, overhead lines, motors, transformers, generators and capacitor banks.

Poles

The VD4 medium voltage circuit-breakers use vacuum interrupters embedded in poles (circuit-breakers up to 17.5 kV - 1 250 A - 40 kA are made off polyamide poles). Embedding the interrupter in the pole makes the circuit-breaker particularly sturdy and protects the interrupter itself against shocks, deposits of dust and humidity. The vacuum interrupter houses the contacts and provides the interruption chamber. ABB circuit-breakers use the most advanced vacuum-breaking techniques: with radial magnetic flow for circuit-breakers with medium-low ratings and with axial magnetic flow for those with high breaking capacity. Both techniques guarantee even distribution of the arc roots over the whole surface of the contacts, allowing optimum performance at all current values. The structure of a vacuum interrupter is relatively simple. The housing is made up of a ceramic insulator closed at the ends by stainless steel covers. The contacts are made of pure copper and sintered chrome and are welded to the copper terminals. A metallic bellows allows movement of the moving contact-terminal group, at the same time guaranteeing that the vacuum is maintained in the interrupter. The interrupter components are welded in an environment under a very strong vacuum to guarantee a vacuum of less than $10^{-5}$ Pa in the interrupter.
This means that the interrupter does not any ionisable material. In any case, on detachment of the contacts, an electric arc is generated which only consists of the melted and vaporised material of the contact.
A metallic shield is integrated inside the interrupter to capture the metallic vapours given off during interruption, as well as for controlling the electric field. The particular shape of the contacts generates a magnetic field which forces the arc to rotate and to involve a much wider surface than that of a fixed contact arc. Apart from limiting the thermal stress on the contacts, this makes contact erosion negligible and, above all, allows the interruption process to be controlled even with very high short-circuit currents.
The electric arc remains supported by the external energy until the current passes through its natural zero.
The ABB vacuum interrupters are zero current interrupters and are free of any re-striking phenomena.
The rapid reduction of the current density and fast condensation of the metallic vapours, that happens at the at the instant that the current passes through zero, allow the maximum dielectric strength between the interrupter contacts to be re-established within a few milliseconds. Supervision of the vacuum level is not necessary as the circuit-breaker poles are sealed-for-life and do not require any maintenance.

**Operating mechanism**
The VD4 circuit-breaker is fitted with a mechanical stored energy type operating mechanism.
The trip free mechanism allows opening and closing operations independent of the operator. The operating mechanism spring system can be recharged either manually or by means of a geared motor. The apparatus can be opened and closed by means of the pushbuttons on the front of the operating mechanism or by means of electric releases (shunt closing, shunt opening and undervoltage).
The circuit-breakers are always fitted with an anti-pumping device to eliminate the possibility of simultaneous opening and closing commands, closing commands with springs discharged or with the main contacts not yet in their run-end position.

**Truck**
The poles and operating mechanism are fixed onto a metal support and handling truck. The truck is provided with a wheel system which makes the operations for racking the apparatus into and out of the switchgear unit possible with the door closed. The truck allows efficient earthing of the circuit-breaker by means of the metallic structure of the switchgear unit. The vacuum circuit-breaker truck can be motor-operated. The racking-out and racking-in operations can be carried out by means of electrical controls, either locally by the operator or by a remote system.

**Apparatus-operator interface**
The front part of the circuit-breaker provides the user interface. It features the following equipment:

- ON pushbutton
- OFF pushbutton
- Operation counter
- Indicator of the circuit-breaker open and closed state
- Indicator of the charged or discharged state of the operating mechanism springs
- Manual charging device for the operating mechanism springs
- Override selector of the undervoltage release (optional)
UniGear ZS1
Vacuum circuit-breaker

VM1 circuit-breaker

The conventional mechanical stored energy type of operating mechanism used on the VD4 circuit-breakers can be replaced with an operating mechanism with magnetic actuator, creating the VM1 series of circuit-breakers.

All the characteristics of the circuit-breakers described in this chapter remain unchanged except for the operating mechanism.

The operating mechanism is based on a greatly reduced number of components:

- Actuator with permanent magnets. The heart of the operating mechanism consists of the magnetic actuator which carries out the closing and opening operations, and keeps the main contacts in their positions taken up after the operation. The magnet transmits the operating mechanism to the interrupters by means of a single transmission lever.
- Electronic control device. All the functions (trip, operation, energy charging and watchdog) are carried out by the integrated electronic controller. The circuit-breaker is fitted with a multivoltage direct and alternating current feeder.
- Capacitors. The energy required to switch the operating mechanism is provided by an incorporated capacitor bank. The stored energy guarantees the complete O-C-O reclosing sequence.
- Position sensors. The position of the circuit-breaker contacts is detected by means of electronic proximity sensors.

Standards
- IEC 62271-100 for the circuit-breaker
UniGear ZS1

VD4G – Vacuum circuit-breaker for generator switching applications

The worldwide increasing energy demand is covered more and more by decentralized power plants and renewable resources of small unit size. As the generated energy is fed into the grid by step-up transformers and MV distribution boards, VD4G offers a reliable and economical solution to protect the power plants assets.

VD4G is the upgraded version of VD4 vacuum circuit-breaker for generator (GCB) applications. VD4G is suitable for the small power plants as well as for industrial, oil and gas applications in which generators are connected to the MV distribution of the plant.

Protection
• Suitability analysis using grid calculation tool
• Optional system study for additional circuit-breakers in grid
• Fast interruption of system- and generator-fed short-circuit currents up to 50 kA
• Tested according to the latest edition of generator circuit-breaker standards including the IEC / IEEE 62271-37-013

Availability
• High TRV withstand capability
• Suitable for an increased DC component and longer arcing times
• More reliable synchronization
• More reliable supply for unit auxiliaries

Flexibility
• Only one circuit-breaker shall be operated during the starting-up or shutting-down of generator
• Maintenance-free solution
• Compact solution

Possible applications
• Renewable energy power plants
• Small energy power plants
• Networks with emergency power generator
• Process industry with own power generation
• Retrofit solutions

Special requirements for suitability analysis with grid calculation tool
ABB can provide you with adequate support for the suitability analysis and proper selection of GCB by providing the following information:
• Single Line Diagram
• Technical data sheet of generator, transformer and other grid equipment

Technical data
• System- and generator-fed faults tested up to 50 kA
• High TRV withstand capability
• Suitable for switching under delayed current zero conditions
• Type tested according to Dual Logo IEC/IEEE 62271-37-013 covering also IEEE C37.013

Typical schematic of generator circuit-breaker application
The challenge to protect the grid as well as the generator against failures makes generator circuit-breakers essential. Each generator has specific technical characteristics. A suitability analysis of the generator circuit-breaker application is indispensable.

The system-fed fault (A) and the generator-fed fault (B) of a grid need to be reliably interrupted by the generator circuit-breaker.

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**Electrical characteristics according to IEC 62271-200 and IEC/IEEE 62271-37-013**

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<tr>
<td>Maximum service voltage</td>
<td>[kV]</td>
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<td>Test voltage (50/60 Hz)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Impulse withstand voltage</td>
<td>[kV]</td>
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<td>[Hz]</td>
<td>50 / 60</td>
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<td>[kA x 3 s]</td>
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<td>40</td>
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<td>[kA]</td>
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<td>[kA]</td>
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<td>115</td>
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<td>[kA x 1 s]</td>
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<td>40</td>
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<td>1 250</td>
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<td>Feeders rated current with forced ventilation</td>
<td>[A]</td>
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UniGear ZS1 panel with VD4G circuit-breaker can be coupled with standard UniGear ZS1 panel with VD4/P circuit-breaker

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**Failure location A: System-fed fault**
Fast decaying DC component

**Failure location B: Generator-fed fault**
Slowly decaying and raised DC component results in delayed current zero
UniGear ZS1
Gas circuit-breaker

UniGear ZS1 switchgear can also be fitted with SF6 gas circuit-breakers.

The ABB vacuum and gas series of circuit-breakers are mechanically interchangeable and the same switchgear unit can therefore take either type of apparatus. Only ABB can offer apparatus representing both techniques for the whole range of applications, voltage levels (12-17.5-24 kV), rated current (630...4 000 A) and breaking capacity (16...50 kA). This makes it possible to specify the optimum solution for the installation characteristics and the feeders to be switched and protected. ABB’s long practical experience shows that the two types of circuit-breakers are equally valid and complementary.

**HD4 circuit-breaker**

The HD4 medium voltage circuit-breakers use sulphurhexafluoride gas (SF6) to extinguish the electric arc and as the insulating medium. Thanks to the excellent properties of SF6 gas, interruption of the currents takes place without arc chopping and overvoltages. There is no restriking phenomenon after interruption and the dielectric properties following interruption are recovered extremely rapidly. Gas circuit-breakers are available for all electric power distribution applications. They are particularly recommended for use on capacitor banks, motors, transformers insulated in oil and in installations where components which are particularly sensitive to dielectric and dynamic stresses are installed (for example, old cables or transformers).

**Poles**

The HD4 circuit-breaker poles use the autopuffer breaking system, combining the compression and self-blast techniques in a single solution. The autopuffer system is the most innovative technique in the field of gas circuit-breakers and originates from high voltage apparatus. The combination of the compression and self-blast techniques allows the best performance to be obtained at all current values. Both techniques are always present, but whereas the former operates optimally in switching low currents, the latter acts effectively during operation at higher current values. The autopuffer technique allows the use of a smaller quantity of gas than that required by circuit-breakers based on other techniques. For the same reason, the gas pressure is also considerably reduced. The autopuffer technique guarantees the insulating withstand voltage and the breaking capacity up to 30% of the rated value, even with zero relative pressure. The whole range of HD4 circuit-breakers uses the same gas pressure for all rated voltage levels (12-17.5-24 kV). SF6 gas pressure level monitoring is not necessary, since the circuit-breaker poles are sealed-for-life pressure systems and are maintenance-free. They are fitted with a pressure control device for checking that the characteristics are not altered due to transport or incorrect operations.

**Operating mechanism**

The HD4 circuit-breaker is fitted with a mechanical storedenergy operating mechanism. This is trip free and therefore allows opening and closing operations independent of the operator. The operating mechanism spring system can be recharged either manually or by means of a geared motor. The operating mechanism is of the same type for the whole series and has a standardised range of accessories and spare parts. All the accessory components can easily be replaced by means of plug-socket connectors. Opening and the closing of the apparatus can be carried out by pushbuttons on the front of the operating mechanism or by electric releases (shunt closing, shunt opening and undervoltage). The circuit-breakers are always fitted with an anti-pumping device to eliminate the possibility of simultaneous opening and closing commands, closing commands with springs discharged or with the main contacts not yet in their run-end position.
Truck
The poles and operating mechanism are fixed onto a metal support and handling truck. The truck is provided with a wheel system which makes the operations for racking the apparatus out of and into the switchgear unit possible with the door closed. The truck allows effective earthing of the circuit-breaker by means of the metallic structure of the switchgear unit.

Apparatus-operator interface
The front panel of the circuit-breaker provides the user interface. It features the following equipment:

• ON pushbutton
• OFF pushbutton
• Operation counter
• Indicator of the circuit-breaker open and closed state
• Indicator of the charged and discharged state of the operating mechanism springs
• Manual charging device for the operating mechanism springs
• Override selector of the undervoltage release (optional)
• LED gas pressure indicator (optional)

HD4-HXA circuit-breaker for high unidirectional components
The range of HD4 circuit-breakers is extended by the HD4-HXA version. This series of circuit-breakers maintains all the features described in this chapter, but is notable for its ability to switch loads with strong unidirectional components. For breaking capacities of 40 kA or lower, HD4-HXA circuit-breakers are able to switch loads with unidirectional components IDC = 100%, up to service voltage 13.8 kV; at 50 kA the unidirectional component percentage IDC is reduced to 50%. They can be used in all installations affected by strong unidirectional components, but their natural field of application is found in switching and protecting transformers of the auxiliary circuits in power generating stations.

Standards
• IEC 62271-100 for the circuit-breaker
• IEC 60376 for the SF6 gas
UniGear ZS1
Vacuum contactor

V-Contact VSC medium voltage contactors are apparatus suitable for operating in alternating current and are usually used to control feeders which require a high number of operations per hour.

They are suitable for operating and protecting motors, transformers and power factor correction banks.
Fitted with appropriate fuses, they can be used in circuits with fault levels up to 1000 MVA.
The electrical life of V-Contact VSC contactors is defined as being in category AC3 with 100,000 operations (closing/opening), 400 A interrupted current.

V-Contact VSC contactor

The contactors consist of a monobloc of resin containing the following components:

- Vacuum interrupters
- Moving equipment
- Magnetic actuator
- Multivoltage feeder
- Accessories and auxiliary contacts

The V-Contact contactors are provided in the following versions:

- VSC7/P for voltages up to 7.2 kV
- VSC7/PG for voltages up to 7 kV with 32 kV power frequency withstand voltage
- VSC12/P for voltages up to 12 kV
- VSC12/PG for voltages up to 12 kV with 42 kV power frequency withstand voltage

Both versions are available with an operating mechanism with electrical or mechanical latching. The V-Contact VSC contactors are mechanically interchangeable with the former V-Contact V/P contactor and with the whole series of ABB circuit-breakers, the same switchgear unit can therefore take both types of apparatus without modification.
A version of V-Contact VSC contactors is also used in the UniGear MCC compact switchgear up to 400 A.

Operating mechanism

Due to the magnetic actuator, V-Contact VSC contactors need negligible auxiliary power in all configurations (15 W inrush - 5 W continuous).
The V-Contact VSC is available in three different configurations:

- SCO (single command operation). The contactor closes the supply of auxiliary voltage to the multivoltage feeder input, when the auxiliary is cut the contactor opens.
- DCO (double command operation). The contactor closes the supply of auxiliary voltage to the multivoltage feeder closing input and opens when opening input is supplied; anti pumping function is supplied as a standard.
- DCO configuration is also available, on request, with a delayed undervoltage function. This function enables automatic opening of the contactor when the auxiliary voltage level drops below IEC defined levels. Opening can be delayed from 0 to 5 seconds (customer setting by dip switches).

All configurations are suitable for 1,000,000 mechanical operations.

Fuses

The contactor is fitted with medium voltage fuses for protection of the operated feeders. Coordination between the contactor, fuses and protection unit is guaranteed in accordance with the IEC 62271-106.
The fuse-holder frame is usually preset for installation of a set of three fuses per phase with average dimensions and type of striker, according to the following standards:

- DIN 43625
- BS 2692
The following fuses can be applied:

- DIN type with a length of 192, 292 and 442 mm
- BS type with a length of 235, 305, 410, 454 and 553 mm

The fuse-holder frames are fitted with a device for automatic opening when even just one fuse blows.

This same device does not allow contactor closing when even a single fuse is missing. The ABB range of fuses for transformer protection is called CEF, whereas CMF is for motors and capacitors.

### Standards

- IEC 62271-106 for the contactor
- IEC 60282-1 for the fuses

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#### Contactor

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<td>Rated insulation voltage [kV]</td>
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<td>Rated power frequency withstand voltage [kV x 1 min]</td>
<td>20 (3)</td>
<td>28 (3)</td>
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(1) Limited by the fuses

(2) The internal arc withstand values are guaranteed in the compartments on the supply side of the fuses (busbars and apparatus) by the structure of the switchgear and on the load side (feeder) by the limiting properties of the fuses

(3) VSC7/PG for 32 kV power frequency withstand voltage and VSC12/PG for 42 kV power frequency withstand voltage are available on request in a dedicated panel

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#### Maximum performances of the contactor with fuses

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<td>2 500</td>
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#### Maximum load currents of the fuses

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V-Contact VSC contactor
UniGear ZS1
Switch-disconnector

UniGear panels can be fitted with ABB NAL type switch-disconnectors. These units are used to switch and protect feeders and transformers or the auxiliary services transformers in sub and power station.

NAL-NALF switch-disconnector
The NAL switch-disconnectors are medium voltage air-insulated apparatus consisting of a fixed support to which the post insulators are applied (top and bottom), the system of contacts (fixed and moving) and latching pliers (of the fuses or of the insulating bars).
The switch-disconnector is fitted with two systems of moving blade contacts, the main one (through which the load current passes with the switch in the closed position) and the arc-breaking one (through which the current passes during the opening and closing operations).
This solution means the main contacts are not stressed and therefore keeps the electrical characteristics of the apparatus unchanged.
During switch-disconnector opening air is compressed by the pistons contained in the top insulator cylinders. At the moment of opening and separation of the contacts, a blast of compressed air is emitted through special nozzles, so the arc is cooled and deionised.
This leads to a gradual increase in the arc resistance which causes its extinction. The movement of the pistons is synchronised with the arc-breaking contacts of the switch-disconnector -this guarantees the highest inflow of air at the moment of separation of the contacts and thereby ensures reliable arc extinction.
The unit can be fitted with insulating bars (NAL switch-disconnector unit) or with medium voltage fuses (NALFswitch-disconnector unit with fuses).
The NALF switch-disconnector is fitted with an automatic release mechanism for fuse tripping and uses fuses in accordance with DIN 43625 Standards. The ABB range of fuses for transformer protection is CEF. Each unit is fitted with an earthing switch with making capacity 16 kA for earthing the cables.
Switch-disconnector control, like that of the earthing switch, is carried out manually from the switchgear front panel.
The position of both items of apparatus can be seen directly from the front of the switchgear through an inspection window.
The switchgear panel can be fitted with a set of three current transformers or with measurement sensors.
The Disconnector Feeder unit (DF) consists of two power compartments: busbars and switch-disconnector/cables. The latter contains both the switch-disconnector and the connection terminals of the power cables.
Segregation between the power compartments takes place automatically with earthing switch closure. An insulating shutter creates complete separation between the fixed contacts of the switch-disconnector, making the top ones inaccessible to the operators.
This makes maintenance operations on the cables and fuses possible, keeping the remainder of the switchgear in operation.
UniGear ZS1 panel with fixed switch-disconnector is classified LSC-2A because the cable and apparatus compartments are not physically segregated.
The switch-disconnector, earthing switch and access door to the cables compartment are interlocked with each other to guarantee maximum safety for the personnel and correct operation.
Each switchgear panel is fitted with an auxiliary compartment, where the instruments and auxiliary cabling are housed.
All the switchgear panels are accessible from the front and maintenance and service operations can therefore be carried out even when the switchgear is wall-mounted.

Standards
• IEC 60265-1 for the switch-disconnector
• IEC 60282-1 for the fuses
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The table was calculated according to standards IEC 60787 and IEC 62271-105 (for operating voltages up to 24 kV).

The following transformer work conditions were assumed:

- Maximum long-lasting overload – 150%
- Magnetizing inrush current – 12×In during 100 ms
- Transformer short-circuit voltage according to IEC 60076-5
- Standard ambient working conditions of fuses

The table above details the rated current of a particular fuse link for a given line voltage and transformer rating. For different criteria, the fuse selection must be recalculated.

The given limits of the rated current of fuse are not mandatory for use in the NALF disconnector / NAL without fuse tripping system. Rated current values of the corresponding fuses for these applications are given in the ABB catalogue “FUSES”.

**NALF switch-disconnector unit with fuses**

| Rating short-time withstand current of switch-disconnector 1s (1) [kA] | ...25 | ...25 | ...25 |
| Peak current [kA] | ...100 | ...100 | ...63 |
| Maximum rated current of the fuses [A] | 100 | 63 | 63 |
| Internal arc withstand current (2) [kA 1 s] | ...40 | ...40 | ...31.5 |

(1) Limited by the fuses

(2) The internal arc withstand values are guaranteed in the compartment on the supply side of the fuses (busbars) by the structure of the switchgear and on the load side (cables) by the limiting properties of the fuses
UniGear ZS1
Service trucks

The UniGear ZS1 range is equipped with all the service trucks needed for service maintenance activities.

The trucks are divided into four different types:

- Earthing without making capacity
- Earthing with making capacity
- Cable test
- Isolation

Earthing truck without making capacity
These trucks carry out the same function as the earthing switches without making capacity. They therefore have no capacity to earth live circuits in fault conditions. They are used to ensure an additional fixed earth, as is required by certain installation service and maintenance procedures, as a further safety guarantee for personnel. The use of these trucks require the removal of the apparatus (circuit-breaker or contactor) from the switchgear and its replacement with the truck. The switchgear panels preset for use of the earthing trucks must be provided with a key lock which, when activated, prevents their racking-in. This truck is available in two versions:

- Earthing of the main busbar system
- Earthing of the power cables

The earthing truck of the main busbars, during the racking-in phase, only lifts the top shutter and earths the contacts connected to the top branch connections (and therefore to the main busbar system) by means of the switchgear structure.

The earthing truck of the power cables, during the racking-in phase, only activates the bottom shutter and earths the contacts connected to the bottom branch connections (and therefore to the power cables) by means of the switchgear structure.

These trucks can also be used in the bus-tie unit. In this case, they earth one of the two sides of the main busbar system.

Earthing truck with making capacity
These trucks carry out the same function as the earthing switches with making capacity. They consist of circuit-breakers provided with top (earthing of the main busbars) or bottom (earthing of the power cables) terminals only. The contacts without terminals are short-circuited by means of a copper bar and connected to earth by means of the apparatus truck. They keep all the characteristics of the circuit-breakers, such as full making and breaking capacity on live circuits under fault conditions. They are used to ensure extremely effective earthing on circuits stressed by a fault. They allow opening and closing operations to be carried out rapidly with electric remote control. The use of these trucks require the removal of the apparatus (circuit-breaker or contactor) from the switchgear and its replacement with the truck. The switchgear panels preset for use of the earthing trucks must be provided with a key lock which, when activated, prevents their being racked-in.

This truck is available in two versions:

- Earthing of the main busbar system
- Earthing of the power cables

The earthing truck of the main busbars, during the racking-in phase, only lifts the top shutter and presets the contacts connected to the top branch connections (and therefore to the main busbar system) for closing to earth by means of operating mechanism.

The earthing truck of the power cables, during the racking-in phase, only activates the bottom shutter and presets the contacts connected to the bottom branch connections (and therefore to the power cables) for closing to earth by means of operating mechanism.

These trucks can also be used in the bus-tie unit. In this case, they earth one of the two sides of the main busbar system.
**Power cable test truck**
These trucks allow the insulation tests on the power cables to be carried out without accessing the feeder compartment or disconnecting the cables from the switchgear.

The use of these trucks require the removal of the apparatus (circuit-breaker or contactor) from the switchgear and its replacement with the truck.

The truck, during the racking-in phase, only activates the bottom shutter and, by means of the connectors it is fitted with, allows connection of the test apparatus cables.

This truck can only be used in the incoming/outgoing feeders with the door open.

**Isolating truck**
The isolating truck allows the top switchgear contacts to be connected directly to the bottom ones. Connection is made extremely safe by using the poles of the circuit-breakers to insulate the connection busbars from the external environment. In the incoming/outgoing feeder units it connects the main busbar system to the power cables, whereas in the bus-tie, to the two sides of the busbar system.

This truck has its application in UniGear switchgear for making incoming/outgoing feeders without a circuit-breaker in radial networks, for making cable connections between two items of switchgear placed in front of each other, in making interconnection units and in creating the bus-tie riser configuration with double insulation (in this case, both the units are made up of bus-ties, the former fitted with a circuit-breaker and the latter with an isolating truck).

The switchgear panels preset for use of the isolating trucks must be fitted with a key lock which, when activated, prevents their being racked-in.
UniGear ZS1
Ultra Fast Earthing Switch

The Ultra-Fast Earthing Switch (UFES) is an innovative design of an active arc protection device which effectively mitigates the severe mechanical and thermal impacts caused by internal arc faults.

The UFES is a combination of devices consisting of an electronic unit and the corresponding primary switching elements which initiate a three-phase earthing in the event of an arc fault. With operating times of less than 4 ms after detection UFES clears an internal arc fault almost immediately after it arises. Thus arc impacts are reduced to an absolute minimum and safety standards raised to a whole new level.

The UFES is available to fulfil a variety of applications in the UniGear ZS1 switchgear e.g.:
- Busbar installation with top-housing box
- Cable compartment installation

Unbeatable advantages in case of an arc fault event:
- Drastic reduction of repair costs: no damages on the switchgear equipment to be expected. No exchange of the faulty panel.
- Greatly increased system availability: after inspection and elimination of the fault reason the switchgear can be taken into service again within shortest possible time.
- Greatly increased operator safety for human mal-operation under maintenance conditions
- Minimized secondary effects like light/sound emission or the release of toxic gases
- Solution for pressure sensitive environment with limited pressure relief options

### Electrical maximum characteristics in UniGear ZS1

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(1) GB/DL version is available with higher request in dielectric characteristics (42 kV) and short-time withstand current (4 s)
In rare cases, failure inside a switchgear cubicle due either to a defect, an exceptional service condition or mainly by human mal-operation may initiate an internal arc. The faster the arc will be interrupted, the less destruction on the switchgear equipment will occur.

Avoidance of the severe effects of an internal arc fault, such as …
- Rapid temperature rise (up to 20,000 °C)
- Rapid pressure rise (see figure)
- Burning of materials
... by fastest possible extinction.

Event sequence description
1. Internal arc formation
2. Arc detection by the electronic device (light and current)
3. ~ 1-2 ms after detection: Tripping signal to the UFES primary switching elements
4. ~ 3-4 ms after detection: Bolted 3-phase earthing by operation of the UFES primary switching elements
   - Interruption of the arc voltage: Immediate extinction of the arc
   - Controlled fault current flow via UFES primary switching elements to earth potential
5. Final clearing of the fault current by the upstream circuit-breaker
UniGear ZS1
Iₚₖ-limiter: fault-current limitation

Short-circuit currents too high?
The Iₚₖ-limiter, a switching device with extremely short operating time, solves the problem.

The rising global demand for energy requires more powerful or additional transformers and generators, and an increasing interconnection of the individual supply networks. This can lead to the permissible short-circuit currents for the equipment being exceeded causing severe dynamic or thermal damage or even complete destruction. The replacement of existing switchgear and cable connections by new equipment with a higher short-circuit strength is often technically impossible or uneconomical for the user. The use of Iₚₖ-limiters reduces the short-circuit current in both new systems and expansions of existing systems, thus saving cost.

A short-circuit downstream from an outgoing feeder breaker is assumed. The oscillogram shown below indicates the course of the short-circuit currents in the first half wave. A short-circuit current of 31.5 kA can flow to the fault location through each transformer. This would result in a total short-circuit current of 63 kA, which is twice as much as the switchgear capability. The course of the current through the Iₚₖ-limiter in such an event is shown below as current i₂. It can be seen that the Iₚₖ-limiter operates so rapidly, that there is no contribution via the transformer T₂ to the total peak short-circuit current (i₁ + i₂). Therefore, a switchgear with a rating of 31.5 kA is suitable for this application.

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Technical Data

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1) with cooling fan

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Fig. 1: Single line diagram of a bus tie for a system with Iₚₖ = 31.5 kA and with an Iₚₖ-limiter; Iₚₖ-limiter application diagram

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Fig. 2: Oscillogram showing the course of the short-circuit current in the first half wave.
Potential applications
Such a fast switching device caters for a variety of applications which cannot be fulfilled by conventional switches. The most important of these are presented below.

Advantages of all $I_s$-limiter applications:
- Reduction of short-circuit currents at the fault location
- No upgrading of the existing switchgear

Option A
Coupling-parallel operation of two systems.
Advantages:
- Improving power quality
- Increasing the reliability of the system
- Reduction of the network-impedance
- Optimal load flow

Option B
$I_s$-limiter in the generator feeder to protect the high voltage system.
Advantages:
- Generator can be connected independent of the short-circuit capability of the system
- Existing busbar system does not need to be changed
- No need for expensive generator breaker

Option C
$I_s$-limiter and reactor connected in parallel.
Advantages:
- Avoid copper losses of the reactor
- Avoid voltage drop over the reactor
- No electro-magnetic field of the reactor

Option D
Station service supply and public network.
Advantages:
- Private/industrial generator feeder can be connected to the (fully loaded) grid
- Selective tripping of the $I_s$-limiter ($I_s$-limiter will operate only for short-circuit faults in the grid)

Option E
If in the case of two IS-limiters being installed in a switch-board selective tripping is required, a measurement of the total current becomes necessary.
Advantage: The $I_s$-limiter trips as follows:
- Short-circuit in section A: Only $I_s$-limiter no. 1 trips
- Short-circuit in section B: $I_s$-limiter no. 1 and no. 2 trip
- Short-circuit in section C: Only $I_s$-limiter no. 2 trips
UniGear ZS1
Instrument transformers

Block type current transformers
The block type current transformers are epoxy resin insulated and used to supply the measurement devices and protection instruments. These transformers can have a wound core or a bushing bar with one or more cores, with performance and accuracy classes suitable for the installation requirements. They conform to the IEC 61869-1, IEC 61869-2 which have fully replaced previous standard IEC 60044-1. Their dimensions are in accordance with the DIN 42600 Standard, in the Medium and Long Size versions up to 2 500 A, where they are of the toroidal type in the range of currents from 3 150 A to 4 000 A (KOKS type). The current transformers can also be provided with a capacitive socket for connection to voltage signalling devices. The current transformers are normally fitted on the load side of the apparatus compartment for measurement of the phase currents of the switchgear unit. Fitting on the supply side of the apparatus compartment is also possible (busbar applications) for measuring the busbar currents or for realising particular protection schemes. The ABB range of current transformers is designated TPU.

Ring core current transformers
The toroidal transformers are of the epoxy resin insulated type and are used to supply measurement and protection devices. These transformers can feature either a closed or openable core. They can be used both for measuring phase currents or for detecting the earth fault current. They conform to the IEC 61869-1, IEC 61869-2 which have fully replaced previous standard IEC 60044-1.

Voltage transformers
The voltage transformers are of the epoxy resin insulated type and are used to supply measurement and protection devices. They are available for fixed assembly or for installation on removable and withdrawable trucks.
UniGear ZS1
Current and voltage sensors

The sensor technology has been used in ABB since the beginning of the 1990s and there are more than 120,000 sensors installed and operating to date.

Sensors based on advanced measurement principles have been developed as successors to conventional instrument transformers in order to achieve significant reduction in dimensions, increase of safety and to provide greater rating standardization with a wider functionality range.

Conventional instrument transformers with magnetic cores are based on well-known principles that have been utilized with all their advantages as well as limitations for more than 120 years. However, the connected equipment (protection relays) has significantly changed during the last 20 years. New protection relays place different requirements on primary measurement equipment (instrument transformers) compared to classic electromechanical relays. These new requirements also open up the opportunity for the utilization of advanced measurement principles that offer a wide range of additional benefits.

Sensors open up a way for current and voltage signals needed for the protection and monitoring of medium voltage power systems. These advantages can be fully used in connection with modern protection relays.

Energy savings solution
The sensor technology means no transfer of power from the primary to the secondary side, which means negligible power losses. Therefore, the sensors exhibit extremely low energy consumption the value of which is just a fraction of what is converted into heat in a conventional instrument transformer. This fact contributes to significant energy savings during the system’s entire operating life, supporting world-wide efforts to reduce energy consumption.

Easy switchgear integration solution
Since the sensor elements are particularly small and the same elements are used for both measurement and protection, the current and voltage sensors can easily be integrated in the switchgear. These facts enable the sensors to be designed in a highly optimal way, which contributes to a high level of switchgear simplification.

Sensor characteristics
ABB current and voltage sensors are designed without the use of a ferromagnetic core. The current sensor is based on the principle of Rogowski coil, voltage sensor uses the principle of resistive voltage divider. Sensor technology brings several important benefits for the user and the application.

The main benefit is that the behavior of the sensor is not influenced by magnetizing curve which results in a highly accurate and linear response across a wide dynamic range of measured quantities.

The linear and highly accurate characteristic curve of the sensor across its full operating range enables several metering and protection classes to be combined in one particular winding.
Indoor current sensors

Current measurement in KECA sensors is based on the Rogowski coil principle.

### KECA 80 C104 / KECA 80 C165

For dynamic current measurement (protection purposes) the ABB sensors KECA 80 C104, and KECA 80 C165, fulfill requirements of protection class 5P up to an impressive value reaching the rated short-time thermal current $I_{th}$ (31.5 kA or 50 kA).

With KECA 80 C104 and KECA 80 C165 sensors, measuring class 0.5 is reached for continuous current measurement in the extended accuracy range from 5% of the rated primary current $I_{pr}$ not only up to 120% of $I_{pr}$ (as being common for conventional current transformers), but even up to the rated continuous thermal current $I_{cth}$ (1 250 A or 4 000 A).

That provides the possibility to designate the corresponding accuracy class as 5P400 and 5P630, proving excellent linearity and accuracy measurements.

**Technical parameters**
- Continuous thermal current: 1 250 / 4 000 A
- Rated primary current: 80 A / 150 mV @ 50 Hz
- Rated primary current: 80 A / 180 mV @ 60 Hz
- Accuracy class: 0.5 / 5P400; 0.5 / 5P630

### KECA 80 C184 / KECA 80 C216

For dynamic current measurement (protection purposes) the ABB sensors KECA 80 C184, and KECA 80 C216, fulfill requirements of protection class 5P up to an impressive value reaching the rated short-time thermal current $I_{th}$ (31.5 kA).

With KECA 80 C184 and KECA 80 C216 sensors, measuring class 0.5 is reached for continuous current measurement in the extended accuracy range from 5% of the rated primary current $I_{pr}$ not only up to 120% of $I_{pr}$ (as being common for conventional current transformers), but even up to the rated continuous thermal current $I_{cth}$ (1 250 A or 3 150 A).

That provides the possibility to designate the corresponding accuracy class as 5P400, proving excellent linearity and accuracy measurements.

**Technical parameters**
- Continuous thermal current: 1 250 / 3 150 A
- Rated primary current: 80 A / 150 mV @ 50 Hz
- Rated primary current: 80 A / 180 mV @ 60 Hz
- Accuracy class: 0.5 / 5P400

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**Performance comparison between conventional current transformer and current sensor**

![Performance comparison diagram](image-url)
UniGear ZS1
Current and voltage sensors

Indoor voltage sensors
Voltage measurement in the KEVA sensor is based on the resistive divider principle.

KEVA 17.5 B20
KEVA B sensor can be used in all applications up to the voltage level 17.5 kV. The sensor fulfills requirements of accuracy class 0.5 for measurement purposes and accuracy class 3P for protection purposes.

Technical parameters
• Rated primary voltage: 15/√3 kV
• Rated power frequency withstand voltage: 38 (42) kV
• Rated lightning impulse withstand voltage: 95 kV
• Transformation ratio: 10 000:1
• Accuracy class: 0.5 / 3P

KEVA 24 B20
KEVA B sensor can be used in all applications up to the voltage level 24 kV. The sensor fulfills requirements of accuracy class 0.5 for measurement purposes and accuracy class 3P for protection purposes.

Technical parameters
• Rated primary voltage: 22/√3 kV
• Rated power frequency withstand voltage: 50 kV
• Rated lightning impulse withstand voltage: 125 kV
• Transformation ratio: 10 000:1
• Accuracy class: 0.5/3P

Combined sensors
Current & voltage measurements and voltage indication integrated in the same compact cast resin part.

KEVCD B
For dynamic current measurement (protection purposes) the ABB sensors KEVCD B, fulfill requirements of protection class 3P up to an impressive value reaching the rated short-time thermal current Ith (50 kA).
With KEVCD sensors, measuring class 1 is reached for continuous current measurement in the extended accuracy range from 5 % of the rated primary current Ipr not only up to 120 % of Ipr (as being common for conventional current transformers), but even up to the rated continuous thermal current Icth (3 200 A).
That provides the possibility to designate the corresponding accuracy class as 1/3P, proving excellent linearity and accuracy measurements.

Technical parameters
• Continuous thermal current: 3 200 A
• Rated primary current:
  - 1 600 A / 150 mV @ 50 Hz
  - 1 600 A / 180 mV @ 60 Hz
• Accuracy class: 1 / 3P
UniGear ZS1
Cable terminations

Terminations for polymer insulated cables
1 – 24 kV
It is crucial that power cables connecting the switchgear are terminated properly, and for this purpose, ABB has developed an excellent range of easy-to-use products for preparation and termination of cables.

MV power cables are normally designed with a conductor of aluminium or copper, an insulation of polymer material, an extruded insulation screen, a metallic screen, armouring (optional) and a polymeric outer jacket.

To enable safe and reliable current carrying properties, it is necessary to achieve sufficient mechanical connection between the cable conductor and the bus bar. ABB offers mechanical cable lugs designed to fit the cable conductor by bolting. It is also essential to guide the electrical field of the cable correctly, and ABB offers Cold Applied terminations, made of rubber, that create an active pressure around the cable. Furthermore, if the cable is designed with another type of metallic screen than copper wires, special earthing kits must be used to achieve proper handling of possible fault currents. The armouring of the cable must have the same earth potential as the cable screen, so it might be necessary to use additional connection accessories that are also available. Detailed information can be found in separate technical information for cable accessories.

Applications and features
Depending on the cable design, it is necessary to use the correct type of cable accessory. When single core cables are designed with copper wire screen only, it is sufficient to use just a cable lug and a termination that fits the actual size of the cable.

The benefit of Cold Applied accessories is that no heat or open flame is necessary for installation (except for branch seals on 3-core cables). After the cable is prepared, the termination is simply slid on without any tools. If a three core cable is used, or a cable with copper tape screen, or aluminium foil screen, or a cable with armouring; then additional material is required. Another very important factor is correct cable preparation, and ABB also offers excellent cable preparation tools.

Recommended cable termination products
The pre-moulded cable termination type Kabeldon SOT can be used on any polymer cable irrespective of design or conductor size. Type SOT 10 is designed for 7.2 kV cables, while type SOT 24 covers 12, 17.5 and 24 kV. A few variants of terminations fit a wide range of cable sizes. Extra material such as earthing kits, crutch seals for 3-core cables and screen potential material for cable armouring is also covered by the ABB range of products. Please contact your ABB Sales Representative for more information.
### Designation and sizes

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ABB’s power protection philosophy

Having delivered protection relays to more than 100 countries, ABB fully understands the need for diverse protection philosophies that meet local legislation, safety requirements and engineering practice. Therefore, ABB has developed a power protection philosophy that not only serves the specific needs and requirements of diverse power systems, but also creates confidence and peace of mind for both the power system owners and users.

The main purpose of a protection relay system is to recognize any abnormal power system condition(s), or abnormally operating system component(s). Based on the information gathered, the protection system will initiate corrective actions that return the system to its normal operating state. This provides a safe environment for all.

Protection relays are activated when something abnormal has happened in the power system; they do not prevent network faults from arising. Selecting the right protection functions and methods improves the performance and the reliability of the protection system, thus minimizing the effects of network faults and preventing the disturbance from spreading to the healthy parts of the network.

Advantages of a complete protection system

Close attention must be paid to operating speed, sensitivity, selectivity and reliability of the protection system. There is a strong correlation between the operating speed of the protection system and the damage and danger caused by a network fault. Substation automation provides remote control and monitoring capabilities, which speed up the location of faults and the restoration of the power supply. Fast operation of the protection relays also minimizes post-fault load peaks. Together with voltage dips, post-fault load peaks increase the risk of the disturbance spreading to healthy parts of the network. The sensitivity of the protection must be adequate to detect relatively high resistance earth faults and short-circuits in the most distant parts of the network. Reliable selectivity is essential to limit the loss of power supply to as small a part of the network as possible, and to allow the faulted part of the network to be reliably located. Corrective actions can then be directed to the faulty part of the network, so that the power supply can be restored as quickly as possible.

The protection system must have a high degree of reliability. This also means that if, for example, the circuit breaker (CB) fails to operate, the back-up protection will clear the fault. Substation automation (SA) puts the operator in complete control of the substation. In addition, SA improves the power quality of the transmission and distribution network under normal operation, but especially in a disturbance situation and during substation maintenance activities. An SA or SCADA brings the full benefits of digital technology into protection and control of the networks. The protection relays are easily set-up and parameterized through easy and safe access from the operator’s workplace.
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Relion® protection and control relays
The Relion® product family offers the widest range of products for the protection, control, measurement and supervision of power systems for IEC and ANSI applications – from generation and interconnected transmission grids over primary distribution to secondary distribution kiosks.

The Relion protection relays are deeply rooted in ABB’s vast experience of developing successful protection and control relays. These relays have been developed during many years and are built on the experience gathered from wide ranging application and functionality requirements of ABB’s customers globally.

To ensure interoperable and future-proof solutions, Relion products have been designed to implement the core values of the IEC 61850 standard. The genuine implementation of the IEC 61850 substation modelling and communication standard covers both vertical and horizontal information exchange between protection relays and external systems. The protection and control IED manager PCM600 provides versatile functionality throughout the life cycle of all Relion protection and control relays. PCM600 is IEC 61850 compliant, which ensures smooth engineering of the relays and enables information exchange with other IEC 61850 compliant tools.

With these products, you benefit from ABB’s leading-edge technology, global application knowledge and experienced support network. The Relion technology is leading the way and setting the future trends in the field of protection and control systems.

Relion 605 series
The Relion 605 series protection relays feature basic devices that fulfill the essential protection needs in medium-voltage networks. The series is best suited for secondary distribution applications. These relays are well-known for their straightforward approach to protection.

Relion 611 series
The Relion 611 series protection relays are powerful and very easy-to-use protection devices in a compact design. The 611 series relays are delivered with a pre-configured application, which can be adapted, to a limited extent, to application-specific needs. The series offers pre-configured solutions, which are ideally suited for utility distribution and industrial applications.

Relion 615 series
The Relion 615 series protection relays can be defined as a compact and versatile solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The 615 series provides standard configurations, which allows you to easily adapt and set-up your applications, still allowing you to adapt the configuration according to application-specific needs. The 615 series combines compactness and powerful features in one smart package.

Relion 620 series
The Relion 620 series protection relays increase flexibility in demanding utility and industrial applications for power distribution. They are delivered with example configurations to ease adaptation into your specific applications. The series offers customization possibilities, which supports higher levels of standardization in the applications. The 620 series extends the hardware possibilities further compared to the 615 series.
Relion 630 series
The pre-configured Relion 630 series protection relays feature flexible and scalable functionality to adapt to different needs in power distribution networks and industrial applications. The 630 series protection relays contain pre-configured application configurations, which can be freely tailored to meet specific requirements for distribution applications.

Relion 650 series
The Relion 650 series offers ease of use from ready-to-use solutions. The 650 series protection relays provide optimum ‘off-the-shelf’ solutions. These relays are equipped and configured with complete protection functionality and default parameters to meet the needs of a wide range of applications within generation, transmission and sub-transmission.

Relion 670 series
The Relion 670 series protection and control relays provide versatile functionality, as well as maximum flexibility and performance to meet the highest requirements of any application in generation, transmission and sub-transmission protection systems. The 670 series relays are available as pre-configured and fully customized relays.

Relion Interactive Selection Guide
The Relion Interactive Selection Guide (ISG) helps you select the protection relay type that is the most suitable for your application. It also provides links to relevant documentation online. The Relion ISG is available at http://abb.relionisg.com.
Feeder protection
Feeder protection, or more exactly protection for overhead lines and cables, is the most used type of protection in power systems. The protection has to ensure that the power grid continues to supply energy. In the event of a fault, it has to be prevented from spreading to healthy parts of the network. The relays also have to minimize the damage to the cables and other connected equipment, as well as ensure safety for operating personnel.

ABB has a large number of feeder protection relays. There are several multifunctional protection relays for different application ranges. Among the protection relays there are some used for general feeder protection (protection against overcurrent) and as back-up protection. There are also more specialized relays, for example, for line differential protection.

The selected protection scheme has to fulfill the application specific requirements regarding sensitivity, selectivity and operating speed. The protection requirements are mainly determined by the physical structure of the network. In most cases the requirements, listed above, can be fulfilled with non-directional/directional overcurrent protection functions.

In power networks with a more complex structure, more advanced protection functions, such as, distance protection or line differential protection, may have to be introduced.

The purpose of the over and undervoltage protection system is to monitor the network’s voltage level. If the voltage level deviates from the target value by more than the permitted margin for a specific time period, the voltage protection system limits the duration of the abnormal condition and the stresses caused to the power system or its components.

To prevent major outages due to frequency disturbances, substations are usually equipped with underfrequency protection relays, which in turn, control various load-shedding schemes.

A specific area for applying line differential protection is emerging with feeder applications requiring an absolutely selective unit protection system. The zone-of-protection for a line differential protection system is the feeder section, defined by the location between the current measurement devices (current transformers or Rogowski coils). In certain cases there can be a power transformer within the protection zone. Unit protection guarantees exact and fast isolation of the fault and allows continued operation of the unaffected part of the power network.

These are just a few examples of the major protection functions for feeders. More details can be found in the technical documentation available online for ABB’s protection and control devices.

Product offering
The recommended products for feeder protection are part of ABB’s Relion® product family. The Relion product family offers the widest range of products for the protection, control, measurement and supervision of power systems for IEC and ANSI applications.

Relion 605 series
The Relion 605 series protection relays feature basic devices that fulfill the essential protection needs in medium-voltage networks. These relays are well-known for their straightforward approach to protection.

Relion 611 series
The Relion 611 series offers a pre-configured solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The series is a suitable choice for protection and control of standard feeders. The protection relays are delivered pre-configured for easier and faster relay engineering and shorter time-to-operation.

Relion 615 series
The Relion 615 series offers a compact and versatile solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The protection relays are delivered with a standard configuration for easier and faster relay engineering and shorter time-to-operation.
Relion 620 series
The Relion 620 series offers flexibility and performance for demanding power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The series offers wider application coverage in one product compared to the 615 series, which enables wider standardization of the product type in your application. The 620 series protection relays are delivered with an example configuration, which helps adaptation to user specific requirements.

Relion 630 series
The Relion 630 series protection relays feature flexible and scalable functionality to adapt to different needs in power distribution networks and industrial applications. The relays contain pre-configured application configurations, which can be tailored to meet the specific requirements for also the most demanding distribution applications.

For more information, please refer to the following documentation:
- Feeder Protection REF601 Product Guide
- Self-Powered Feeder Protection REJ603 Product Guide
- Feeder Protection and Control REF611 Product Guide
- Line Differential Protection and Control RED615 Product Guide
- Feeder Protection and Control REF615 Product Guide
- Feeder Protection and Control REF620 Product Guide
- Feeder Protection and Control REF630 Product Guide

Relion Interactive Selection Guide
The Relion Interactive Selection Guide (ISG) helps you select the protection relay type that is the most suitable for your application. It also provides links to relevant documentation online. The Relion ISG is available at http://abb.relionisg.com
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Transformer protection
The power transformer is an important component and one of the most valuable discrete units in power distribution networks. High availability of the power transformer is of particular importance for preventing disturbances in the power distribution system.

Although high-quality power transformers are very reliable, insulation breakdown faults occasionally occur. These faults appear as short circuits and/or earth faults. They tend to cause severe damage to the windings and transformer core. The damage is proportional to the fault clearing time, so the power transformer must be disconnected as quickly as possible.

For repair, the power transformer has to be transported to a workshop, which is a very time-consuming process. The operation of a power network, where the power transformer is out of service, is always cumbersome. Therefore, a power transformer fault often constitutes a more severe power system fault than a line fault, which usually can be rectified rather quickly. It is extremely important that fast and reliable protection relays are used to detect transformer faults and initiate tripping.

The size, voltage level and importance of the power transformer determine the extent and choice of monitoring and protection devices to be used to limit the damage, when a fault occurs. Compared to the total cost of the power transformer and the costs caused by a power transformer fault, the cost of the protection system is negligible.

Product offering
The recommended products for transformer protection are part of ABB’s Relion® product family. The Relion product family offers the widest range of products for the protection, control, measurement and supervision of power systems for IEC and ANSI applications.

Relion 615 series
The Relion 615 series offers a compact and versatile solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The series covers two winding transformer application and automatic voltage regulator function in separate product types. Each protection relay is delivered with a standard configuration for easier and faster relay engineering and shorter time-to-operation.

Relion 620 series
The Relion 620 series offers flexibility and performance for demanding power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The series offers wider application coverage, including transformer application and automatic voltage regulator, in one product. Compared to the 615 series, it enables wider standardization of the product type in the application. The 620 series relays are delivered with an example configuration, which can be pre-adapted to user specific requirements.

Relion 630 series
The Relion 630 series protection relays feature flexible and scalable functionality to adapt to different needs in power distribution networks and industrial applications. The relays contain pre-configured application configurations, which can be tailored to meet the specific requirements for also the most demanding distribution applications. In one easily scalable hardware solution, it includes extensive transformer protection and automatic voltage regulator functions.
For more information, please refer to the following documentation:

- Transformer Protection and Control RET615 Product Guide
- Voltage Protection and Control REU615 Product Guide
- Transformer Protection and Control RET620 Product Guide
- Transformer Protection and Control RET630 Product Guide

Relion Interactive Selection Guide

The Relion Interactive Selection Guide (ISG) helps you select the protection relay type that is the most suitable for your application. It also provides links to relevant documentation online. The Relion ISG is available at http://abb.relionisg.com
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Motor protection
Motor protection is generally expected to provide overcurrent, unbalance, earth-fault and short-circuit protection of the motor. However, the fundamental issue for motors is thermal protection, as overheating is the worst threat.

Motors need to be protected not only against electrical faults, but also against any improper usage. ABB’s solutions focus on advanced thermal protection that prevents improper use. Overload conditions of short duration mainly occur during start-up. Improper use of running motors does not necessarily damage the equipment, but shortens its life span. Therefore, a reliable and versatile motor protection system not only protects the motor - it also prolongs its life cycle, which contributes to improving the return of investment of your motor drive.

Product offering
The recommended products for motor protection are part of ABB’s Relion® product family. The Relion product family offers the widest range of products for the protection, control, measurement and supervision of power systems for IEC and ANSI applications.

Relion 605 series
The Relion 605 series offers a compact solution for the protection of medium-voltage and low-voltage asynchronous motors in the manufacturing and process industry. The relays offer pre-configured functionality, which facilitates easy and fast commissioning of the switchgear. The relay can be used with both circuit-breaker and contactor-controlled motor drives.

Relion 611 series
The Relion 611 series offers a pre-configured solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. This series is a suitable choice for protection and control of small asynchronous motors/drives. The protection relays are delivered pre-configured for easier and faster relay engineering and shorter time-to-operation.

Relion 615 series
The Relion 615 series offers a compact and versatile solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The series is a suitable choice for protection and control of asynchronous motors. Each protection relay is delivered with standard configuration, for easier and faster relay engineering and shorter time-to-operation.

Relion 620 series
The Relion 620 series offers flexibility and performance for demanding power distribution in utility and industrial applications. Compared to the 615 series, the 620 series offers wider application coverage in one product, which enables wider standardization of the product type in your application. The protection relay is delivered with an example configuration, which can be pre-adapted to your specific requirements.

Relion 630 series
The Relion 630 series protection relays feature flexible and scalable functionality to adapt to different needs in power distribution networks and industrial applications. The relays contain pre-configured application configurations, which can be tailored to meet specific requirements for also the most demanding distribution applications. In one easily scalable hardware solution, it includes extensive motor protection including differential protection function.
For more information, please refer to the following documentation:

- Motor Protection and Control REM611 Product Guide
- Motor Protection and Control REM615 Product Guide
- Motor Protection and Control REM620 Product Guide
- Motor Protection and Control REM630 Product Guide

Relion Interactive Selection Guide

The Relion Interactive Selection Guide (ISG) helps you select the protection relay type that is the most suitable for your application. It also provides links to relevant documentation online. The Relion ISG is available at http://abb.relionisg.com
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Generator protection
Generators or generating units constitute one of the most crucial parts in a power system, making it essential to use a proper protection scheme. A generator has more failure modes than any other component in the power system. It is very important that the protection system detects all faults and that it does so quickly, as they may cause injury to personnel and damage to the equipment.

It is common practice that earth faults, short circuits and other severe faults must be detected by two independent protection devices. The fault must be cleared, even if one switching device fails to operate. The generator protection system must also provide adequate backup protection for the adjacent components.

A synchronous machine is a complex device, which can operate as a generator or as a motor. The armature/stator winding is arranged in three symmetrical phase belts in slots in the stator surface. The magnetic field intensity can be controlled via the DC-current in the rotor/field winding.

The protection of synchronous generators involves the consideration of more possible faults and abnormal conditions than the protection of any other power system component. We have to consider stator faults, rotor faults, abnormal operating conditions and faults in the connected power grid.

Today there are many and varying power station configurations. This makes the use of a uniform and standardized generator protection system very challenging. Besides the varying power station configuration, the following factors influence the design of the generator protection system:

- generator circuit-breaker or not
- earthing of the generator neutral
- location of the voltage transformers
- location of the current transformers

A rotating machine provides a classic application for differential protection. The generator differential protection gives a fast and absolutely selective detection of generator stator short circuits.

Product offering
The recommended products for generator protection are part of ABB’s Relion® product family. The Relion product family offers the widest range of products for the protection, control, measurement and supervision of power systems for IEC and ANSI applications.

Relion 615 series
The Relion 615 series offers a compact and versatile solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The protection relays are delivered with a standard configuration for easier and faster relay engineering and shorter time-to-operation.

The series offers extensive interconnection and compact generator protection for both the generator and the prime mover in various small and medium-sized power plants.

Relion 630 series
The Relion 630 series protection relays feature flexible and scalable functionality to adapt to different needs in power distribution networks and industrial applications. The relays contain pre-configured application configurations, which can be tailored to meet specific requirements for also the most demanding distribution applications. In one easily scalable hardware solution, it includes extensive protection for generator and generator-transformer units used in various power plants.
For more information, please refer to the following documentation:
- Generator and interconnection protection REG615 Product Guide
- Generator Protection and Control REG630 Product Guide

Relion Interactive Selection Guide
The Relion Interactive Selection Guide (ISG) helps you select the protection relay type that is the most suitable for your application. It also provides links to relevant documentation online. The Relion ISG is available at http://abb.relionisg.com
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Voltage protection
Overvoltage in a network occurs either due to the transient surges in the network or due to prolonged power frequency overvoltages. The overvoltage function can be applied to power network elements, such as generators, transformers, motors, busbar and power lines, to protect the system from excessive voltages that could damage the insulation and cause insulation breakdown.

Undervoltage and low voltage conditions are caused by abnormal operation or a fault in the power system. The undervoltage protection function is used to disconnect from the network devices, for example electric motors, which are damaged when subjected to service under low voltage conditions.

Additionally synchro-check function duration mode checks that the voltages on both sides of the circuit breaker are perfectly synchronized. It is used to perform a controlled reconnection of two systems, which are divided after islanding. It is also used to perform a controlled reconnection of the system after reclosing.

The frequency protection function uses positive phasesequence voltage to measure the frequency reliably and accurately. The system frequency stability is one of the main principles in distribution and transmission network maintenance. To protect all frequency-sensitive electrical apparatus in the network, operation above/below the allowed bandwidth for a safe operation should be prevented. To guarantee network frequency stability you need to apply underfrequency, overfrequency or load-shedding schemes.

Another important and common way of regulating the voltage in the power network is using a voltage regulator on the power transformer.

Product offering
The recommended products for voltage protection are part of ABB’s Relion® product family. The Relion product family offers the widest range of products for the protection, control, measurement and supervision of power systems for IEC and ANSI applications.

Relion 611 series
The Relion 611 series offers a pre-configured solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The REU611 is designed for overvoltage and undervoltage protection and additional 2-stage frequency protection. The protection relays are delivered pre-configured for easier and faster relay engineering and shorter time-to-operation.

Relion 615 series
The Relion 615 series offers a compact and versatile solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The series is a suitable choice for protection and control of voltage based protection. REU615 standard configuration A is the ideal choice for voltage and frequency based protection, including synchro-check and load-shedding functionality. REU615 standard configuration B offers a dedicated relay with an automatic voltage regulator function for power transformers with on-load tap changer. Each protection relay is delivered with standard configuration, for easier and faster relay engineering and shorter time-to-operation.

Relion 620 series
The Relion 620 series offers flexibility and performance for demanding power distribution in utility and industrial applications. Compared to the 615 series, RET620 offers wider application coverage in one product, including voltage and frequency based protection with automatic voltage regulator function. The relays are delivered with an example configuration, which can be pre-adapted to user requirements.
Relion 630 series
The Relion 630 series protection relays feature flexible and scalable functionality to adapt to different needs in power distribution networks and industrial applications. The relays contain pre-configured application configurations, which can be tailored to meet specific requirements for also the most demanding distribution applications. In one easily scalable hardware solution, you gain load-shedding with automatic voltage regulator functions.

For more information, please refer to the following documentation:
- Voltage Protection and Control REU611 Product Guide
- Voltage Protection and Control REU615 Product Guide
- Transformer Protection and Control RET620 Product Guide
- Transformer Protection and Control RET630 Product Guide

Relion Interactive Selection Guide
The Relion Interactive Selection Guide (ISG) helps you select the protection relay type that is the most suitable for your application. It also provides links to relevant documentation online. The Relion ISG is available at http://abb.relionisg.com
Capacitor bank protection
Capacitors form an essential part of the network and must be properly protected against overloads, overcurrents or other distortion during their connection to the network.

Capacitor banks are used for reactive power compensation in utility substations and industrial power systems. Most of the loads connected to the distribution feeders have the power factor on the inductive side, for example, motors and arc furnaces. This reactive current component does not contribute the conversion into useful power, but it stresses the network components, introducing additional voltage drops and heat losses. The most favorable approach is to compensate the reactive current as close to the consumption as possible. The compensation can be done locally, at the place where it is needed, for example, at the factory or facility. It can also be done remotely by, for example, a utility organization.

Extra charges are always applied when excess level of reactive load is taken from the network. Therefore, the utilities have to evaluate the reactive power balance within their distribution network and do the necessary compensation at the most suitable location.

Product offering
The recommended products for capacitor bank protection are part of ABB’s Relion® product family. The Relion product family offers the widest range of products for the protection, control, measurement and supervision of power systems for IEC and ANSI applications.

Relion 615 series
The Relion 615 series offers a compact and versatile solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The series is a suitable choice for protection and control of capacitor banks. Additionally, it can be applied to harmonic filter protection. Each protection relay is delivered with a standard configuration, for easier and faster relay engineering and shorter time-to-operation.

For more information, please refer to the following documentation:
• Capacitor Bank Protection and Control REV615 Product Guide

Relion Interactive Selection Guide
The Relion Interactive Selection Guide (ISG) helps you select the protection relay type that is the most suitable for your application. It also provides links to relevant documentation online. The Relion ISG is available at http://abb.relionisg.com
Busbar protection
The last, but not least, part in electrical power systems is defined by the busbar application. The busbar is an aluminum or copper conductor supported by insulators that interconnects the loads and the sources of electric power. For example, in metal enclosed switchgear, it is represented by copper bars in the busbar compartment. The requirements for busbar protection in respect of immunity to mal-operation are very high. For busbar protection it is essential to employ a differential protection principle.

Product offering
The recommended products for busbar protection are part of ABB’s Relion® product family. The Relion product family offers the widest range of products for the protection, control, measurement and supervision of power systems for IEC and ANSI applications.

Relion 611 series
The Relion 611 series offers a pre-configured solution for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. It is a suitable choice for high-impedance busbar protection. The protection relays are delivered pre-configured for easier and faster relay engineering and shorter time-to-operation.

For more information, please refer to the following documentation:
• Busbar Protection and Control REB611 Product Guide

Relion Interactive Selection Guide
The Relion Interactive Selection Guide (ISG) helps you select the protection relay type that is the most suitable for your application. It also provides links to relevant documentation online. The Relion ISG is available at http://abb.relionisg.com
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Arc fault protection

An electric arc short-circuit in a switchgear installation is normally caused by a foreign object entering the cubicle or by component failure. The arc causes an explosion-like heat and pressure effect, usually causing vast damage to the switchgear and in the worst-case scenario also injury to the operating personnel.

An adequate arc protection system protects your substation against arc faults via minimizing the burning time of the arc, thus preventing excessive heat and damage. It minimizes material damage and allows power distribution to be smoothly and safely restored. The system can also bring cost benefits even before an arc fault occurs. As older switchgear is more prone to arc faults, an arc protection system will effectively extend the life of your switchgear enhancing the return on your investment.

Sources of arcing may be insulation faults, mal-operating devices, defective bus or cable joints, overvoltage, corrosion, pollution, moisture, ferroresonance (instrument transformers) and even ageing due to electrical stress. Most of these arc fault sources could be prevented by sufficient maintenance. However, regardless of precautions taken, human errors can lead to arc faults.

Time is critical when it comes to detecting and minimizing the effects of an electric arc. An arc fault lasting 500 ms may cause severe damage to the installation. If the burning time of the arc is less than 100 ms the damage is often limited, but if the arc is extinguished in less than 35 ms its effect is almost unnoticeable.

Generally applied protection relays are not fast enough to ensure safe fault clearance times at arc faults. The operation time of the overcurrent relay controlling the incoming circuit breaker may, for instance, have been delayed to hundreds of milliseconds for selectivity reasons. This delay can be avoided by installing an arc protection system. The total fault clearance time can be reduced to a maximum of 2.5 ms plus the circuit breaker’s contact travel time. Further, when a cable compartment fault occurs, auto-reclosing can be eliminated by employing arc fault protection.
Product offering

The recommended products for arc fault protection is the arc fault protection system REA 101 with its extension units REA 103, REA 105 and REA 107 and protection and control relays from ABB’s Relion® product family.

REA system

The REA system is a fast and flexible arc fault protection system for switchgears. This type of fast and selective arc fault protection system is a natural constituent of modern switchgear panels, and a safety and security investment for older switchgear panels, to protect human lives and prevent or reduce material damage. The REA system can be described as the fastest operating arc fault protection system in ABB’s product portfolio, with trip command time in less than 2.5 ms.

Relion 615 series and 620 series

The Relion® product family offers integrated arc fault protection in its widest range of products for the protection, control, measurement and supervision of power systems for IEC and ANSI applications.

The Relion 615 and 620 series offer integrated three channel arc fault protection – to protect human lives and prevent or reduce material damage of protected switchgear – for power distribution in utility and industrial applications. The arc fault protection function operates with high-speed outputs with operation times down to 4 ms.

For more information, please refer to the following documentation:

- Arc Fault Protection REA 101 main module Product Guide
- Arc Fault Protection REA 103 extension module Product Guide
- Arc Fault Protection REA 105 extension module Product Guide
- Arc Fault Protection REA 107 extension module Product Guide
- Feeder Protection and Control REF615 Product Guide
- Motor Protection and Control REM615 Product Guide
- Transformer Protection and Control RET615 Product Guide
- Voltage Protection and Control REU615 Product Guide
- Capacitor Bank Protection and Control REV615 Product Guide
- Feeder Protection and Control REF620 Product Guide
- Motor protection and control REM620 Product Guide
- Transformer Protection and Control RET620 Product Guide

Relion Interactive Selection Guide

The Relion Interactive Selection Guide (ISG) helps you select the protection relay type that is the most suitable for your application. It also provides links to relevant documentation online. The Relion ISG is available at http://abb.relionisg.com
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Substation automation
ABB’s protection and control relays are an integral part of substation automation systems. The substation automation system, together with the protection relays, lay the foundation for all the higher-level remote functions, such as advanced power system management and the monitoring of the condition of the equipment, when it is in service. Substation-level systems are easy to use and to adapt to customer-specific requirements.

Increased competition is driving many power providers to focus on system productivity, with the aim to reduce costs and increase customer satisfaction. To reach this goal, an upgrade of an aging infrastructure is usually involved. Updating to substation automation offers the opportunity to reduce operational and maintenance costs, increase plant productivity with the help of enhanced schemes, as well as condition monitoring for the apparatus (e.g., circuit breakers, power transformers).

Product offering
The COM600 series offers versatile substation management units. These units are deployed together with protection and control relays and other communication devices to realize smart substation and grid automation solutions in utility and industrial distribution networks. The COM600 series units perform the combined role of a user interface, a communication gateway and an automation platform in a single physical unit.

The COM600 series accommodates web technology-based functionality, which provides access to substation devices and processes via a web browser-based human machine interface (HMI). All standard substation monitoring and control aspects can be handled using the web-HMI.

The COM600 series integrates substation devices, like protection and control relays, substation controllers and meters, based on the IEC 61850 communication standard, as well as most other commonly used communication standards and legacy protocols. Seamless connectivity can be established with gateway functionality between the substation devices and external higher-level systems such as the Network Control Center (NCC) or a process such as the Distributed Control System (DCS) using IEC 60870-5, DNP3, Modbus or OPC-based protocols.

The COM600 series hardware platform is based on ruggedized mechanics with no moving parts subject to wear and tear. The compact and robust design is well adapted to harsh environments.

The COM600 series comprises of two products:
- COM600S for Substation Automation (for IEC and ANSI markets)
- COM600F for Feeder Automation (for ANSI markets only)

The COM600S has the capability to function as a combined substation HMI, gateway and process controller in a small to medium-sized substation automation installation. Its HMI feature enables substation monitoring and operations. It integrates various units to provide access to real-time data. It also records process data in its historian to enable access to past data. Its logic processor enables implementation of substation-level automation tasks. The gateway functionality provides a provision to communicate data from protection and control relays in the substation and COM600S itself to higher-level systems and vice versa.

For more information, please refer to the following documentation:
- COM600S Substation Management Unit Product Guide
Remote I/O concept

ABB’s remote I/O concept introduces a new way of extending the I/O capabilities of protection relays. The concept is aimed at increasing the hardware functionality of the protection relays, while still maintaining the relay’s compact design. This way remote I/O can be used, when it is needed. The information between the remote I/O units and the main protection relay is exchanged over the latest communication standard IEC 61850. This enables easy integration into the systems and is in line with the latest standards.

The remote I/O concept also benefits from installing the I/O units as close as possible to the place where the signals need to be digitalized, thus limiting extensive wiring within the switchgear, substation or plant. Digitalization of the signals allows users to use information wherever needed, without the need of installing additional auxiliary relays or terminals. IEC 61850 enables signals supervision, thus faster recognition of any errors and proactive operation, if these conditions happen during a critical process.

Product offering

The remote I/O unit RIO600 is designed to expand the digital and analog I/O of ABB’s Relion® series protection relays and to provide I/O for the COM600 series devices using IEC 61850 communication.

RIO600 is designed using a modular architecture where the amount and type of I/O ports can be added through modules. The RIO600 modules can be stacked on a standard DIN rail to achieve the required configuration.

RIO600 is built on an industrial hardware platform, which provides the same reliability, performance and real-time functionality as ABB’s protection relays, withstanding extreme temperatures, electromagnetic interference and stringent industry standards.

RIO600 provides an additional I/O within the switchgear itself by using the Ethernet-based IEC 61850 horizontal GOOSE communication. The signals can be transmitted within the switchgear and to the automation systems. Similarly, signals from the automation systems can be executed through RIO600 connected to numerical protection relays.

For more information, please refer to the following documentation:
- Remote I/O unit RIO600 Product Guide
## Distribution automation
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Distribution automation

Compact power management
Power management systems (PMS) are essential for a safe, efficient and reliable operation of a power system within an electrical network. The PMS functionality includes load-shedding generator control, power sharing, network synchronization and power restoration. PMS solutions protect and optimize the stability of industrial systems against disturbances by ensuring power sharing between generators, when the industrial power system is islanded from the grid. These solutions also ensure that the generators meet the required power demand, when the network is grid-connected.

PMS solutions are suitable for industrial power networks:
- With captive power generation, islanded or grid-connected
- With substantial and critical loads
- With unstable grid connectivity
- Without grid connectivity

The PMS functionality suite is applicable to various industrial segments, for example, oil and gas, marine, pulp and paper, metals, minerals and building automation.

Load-shedding is required, when the electrical load demand exceeds the capacity of the available power sources, subsequent to the loss of power sources or network dis-integration. The load-shedding system has to ensure availability of electrical power to all essential and, most importantly, critical loads in the plant. This is achieved by switching off the nonessential loads in case of a lack of power in the electrical network or in parts of it (subnetwork or island). The load-shedding functionality can also be deployed in industrial power networks with sole dependency on the utility networks. The lack of electrical power can be caused by a loss of generation capacity or power grid connectivity or the tie line feeding power to the plant.

Based on the shortfall of available power in the power network, the load-shedding action initiated by the system ensures that only identified loads are shed, the system is stable after load-shedding, and the impact on the associated plant operation is minimal. The system allows flexibility to select or deselect the load feeders to be load-shed at any point in time during plant operation.

The load-shedding function must be accurate and selective. It is important that it operates only when necessary.

Load-shedding principles
There are two load-shedding system principles: (1) reactive load-shedding (reacts on measurement) and (2) active load-shedding (reacts on cause).

Reactive load-shedding is most commonly used in utility networks in primary distribution
substations. Reactive load-shedding reacts based on measuring the system frequency and/or voltage. The system as such can contain several triggering levels for these values. Each triggering level corresponds to one of the load-shedding priority classes or steps, for example, activation of the first triggering level, which sheds the loads belonging to priority class 1. Typically two or three priority classes or steps are used. Restoration of the shed feeders can take place manually or automatically, in a pre-programmed scenario. Selectivity against protection functions has to be secured, for example, the load-shedding system has to have a chance to operate before the protection system is initiated.

Active load-shedding is mostly used in industrial distribution networks. Active load-shedding reacts based on measuring power, current values on supply and load feeders (key feeders included). The load-shedding system knows the present loading situation and calculates shedding priorities for different network scenarios, such as tripping or overloading of a generator or a network power source. Knowing the individual loads of feeders, only the necessary amount of load (feeders) will be shed. The reactive load-shedding system can work as a back-up for active load-shedding.

Product offering
ABB's Relion® protection relays are characterized by functional scalability and flexible configurability to perform reactive and active load-shedding.

PML630 is a power management relay that provides a comprehensive load-shedding solution for the power network in an industrial plant. It protects the plant against blackouts and power source outages due to system disturbances. This relay is a member of ABB's Relion product family and a part of its 630 series.

PML630 complies with IEC 61850 and offers seamless connectivity with Relion family protection relays, RIO600 I/O and COM600S units to realize the load-shedding functionality. The protection relays use GOOSE and MMS communication profiles for I/O data exchange with other Relion family protection relays and COM600S.

PML630 provides system level protection to small or medium-sized industrial systems from the system disturbances. PML630 supports different modes of load-shedding functions:
• Fast load-shedding (active load-shedding)
• Slow (overload or maximum demand violation-based) load-shedding (active load-shedding)
• Manual load-shedding (reactive load-shedding)
• Underfrequency load-shedding as a backup to fast and slow load-shedding (reactive load-shedding)

A network power deficit occurs when a power source such as a generator or a grid transformer trips. There could also be a power shortage, when a network becomes isolated due to trip of a bus coupler or a bus tie breaker. All load-shedding functions can be active concurrently.

For more information, please refer to the following:
• Load-shedding controller PML630 Product Guide

Solution offering
The Compact Power Management System (cPMS) is a load-shedding power management solution built on Relion PML630, Substation Management Unit COM600S, Remote I/O unit RIO600 and the Relion 615, 620 or 630 series feeder relays.

Relion Interactive Selection Guide
The Relion Interactive Selection Guide (ISG) helps you select the protection relay type that is the most suitable for your application. It also provides links to relevant documentation online. The Relion ISG is available at http://abb.relionisg.com
Automatic transfer systems

Automatic transfer systems (ATS) are used to ensure maximum service continuity, supplying the power users uninterruptedly. All this is possible using various systems based on different kinds of techniques. The most common of these are outlined below, with the relevant average transfer times:

- Delayed: 1500 ms
- Depending on the residual voltage: 400-1200 ms
- Synchronized ATS: 200-500 ms
- High speed transfer device: 100 ms
- High speed transfer system: 30 ms

The first two systems are the simplest and can also be achieved with conventional logics and instruments. They guarantee average transfer times and can therefore be used in installations where voltage gaps are not particularly critical. The other three systems: (1) synchronized automatic transfer system, (2) high speed transfer device and (3) high speed transfer system require microprocessor-based apparatus with high technology content. They guarantee fast transfer times. They are used in plants where the process is particularly critical, in which slow transfers would cause serious malfunction or interruption of the process itself.

ABB offers all types of transfer systems, from the simplest to the most complex.

Synchronized automatic transfer system

Protection relays from Relion® product family can be used in medium-voltage switchgear to manage automatic and manual transfer between different incoming feeders. The time needed for automatic transfer carried out by means of the Relion family protection relays is between 200 to 300 ms (including the circuit breaker operating times). The time can vary within the range indicated in relation to the complexity of the software transfer logics.

Switchgear equipped with Relion protection relays, suitably configured, are complete and efficient systems able to manage transfer between one power supply system and an alternative one, or to reconfigure the network, passing from double radial distribution to a simple system, in a fully automatic way. It is also possible to carry out the same operation manually from a remote control station, or from the front of the switchgear under user supervision. Manual transfer means making the passage parallel, by means of the synchronism control function (synchro-check) implemented from the protection relay, the power supply lines are closed simultaneously with synchronization of the voltage vectors to then return to being disconnected when the transfer has taken place. The applications described do not require additional instruments.
SUE 3000 - High speed transfer device / High speed transfer system

Voltage decrease or complete supply interruptions represent the most crucial and critical problems for the quality of energy supply today. The SUE 3000 High Speed Transfer Device guarantees an optimal safeguarding of energy supply. The device ensures, in combination with the existing circuit breakers, the continued power supply and protects the subsidiary process from expensive stoppage time. Further, the operation of the installation is considerably simplified through the possibility of manually-initiated transfers for targeted clearings.

To achieve the fastest possible transfer time of 30 ms the High Speed Transfer System has to be used. This system is a combination of the SUE 3000 device, special trigger devices and very fast magnetic circuit breakers.

Corresponding to its multifaceted areas of application, the SUE 3000 is set up for different switchgear arrangements.

Permanent network comparisons

An exceptionally important characteristic, that clearly distinguishes SUE 3000 from competing concepts, is that synchronicity criteria are continuously available, as they are computed online. This is the reason that, in case of an initiation, the appropriate transfer mode is already determined and can be immediately initiated. This means that the probability of a fast transfer is considerably enhanced. Systems which wait for the instant of initiation to start the determination of the network status are not capable to perform a fast transfer with minimum interruption time.

Transfer modes and times

Four different transfer modes are available in detail: (1) fast transfer, (2) transfer at the 1st phase coincidence, (3) residual voltage transfer and (4) time-operated transfer. When a fault occurs, fast transfer is the optimal transfer mode for ensuring that only a minimum interruption of the voltage supply occurs. With fast transfer mode, the total transfer time, counting from a fault in the main feeder until the standby feeder is cut in, is less than 100 ms.

For more information, please refer to the following:
- High Speed Transfer Device SUE 3000 Product Description

Application areas

The SUE 3000 High Speed Transfer Device can be used where ever a disturbance of the electrical supply would lead to a breakdown in production, which would have a significant impact on the operating costs.

Possible areas of utilization include:
- Auxiliary installations serving power stations
- Environmental technology installations
- Voltage supply to continuous industrial processes

To realize permanent availability, the load is supplied from at least two synchronized feeders, which are independent from one another and equipped with a SUE 3000 device. SUE 3000 takes on the task of ensuring uninterrupted continuous operation of the connected devices in case of a power supply breakdown. The device takes different physical factors into account and executes the quickest possible transfer to a different feeder, which is kept on stand-by.
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Smart Asset Management

ABB smart asset management solutions enables maintenance team to supervise equipment health conditions and performance trends, minimizing downtime, increasing reliability and optimizing maintenance activities. These solution and services support the implementation of advanced maintenance strategies such as condition and predictive based servicing activities.

MySiteCare: capturing data and diagnosis
MySiteCare monitoring and diagnostic unit uses various sensors to acquire circuit breaker and switchgear data and converts them into diagnostic information so as to assess the conditions and allow maintenance work to be planned. One MySiteCare unit must be installed for each circuit-breaker or switchgear panel. MySiteCare monitors the following variables:

- Operation of the mechanical part: opening and closing times, spring charging time, slipping and failed spring charging attempt, number of operations, idle time
- Remaining life estimation and contact wear
- Environmental temperature of the circuit breaker compartment
- Monitoring of temperatures in critical points on primary circuit.
- SF6 circuit breakers pressure, protection relay watch-dog and control coil continuity status can be also connected to MySiteCare

MySiteCare implements predictive diagnostic algorithms and provides indications concerning the mechanical, electrical and operating conditions of the circuit-breaker or panel. MySiteCare has a user-friendly interface that displays issues by means of a traffic light: red, yellow and green. This signal indicates how serious the problem is, thus the probability of failure or impaired reliability and safety of the monitored equipment.

MySiteCare can be installed on new equipment as well as on existing one, and in this case, it is suggested to inspect and test it in order to:

- Check its health condition
- Maintain or replace worn components if required
- Assess the real conditions of the equipment so as to properly configure MySiteCare

Circuit breaker monitoring and diagnostic
Installation of MySiteCare on each panel does not involve any changes to the circuit-breaker, the protection relay or switchboard. The predictive diagnostic algorithms are configured by ABB’s qualified technicians when the monitoring system is commissioned: the parameters concern the relevant circuit-breaker, contactor and switchgear status.

Switchgear hot spot detection
While circuit breaker moving parts and auxiliaries provide number of various data for analysis, the rest of the switchgear is static and the number of condition variables for monitoring is quite limited.

One of the most meaningful data for analysis on the panel are temperatures of the primary circuit on or near the critical points of the current path-joints. The temperature of the primary circuits has a dominant influence on the switchgear insulation life. If a loose joint within the switchgear creates a hot spot on the primary circuit, the insulation close to the hot spot can suffer serious deterioration due to excessive heating. The lifetime of the insulation decreases rapidly resulting in weak areas sensitive to dielectric stressing during subsequent operation. An aged insulator increases dramatically the switchgear probability of failure in form of an internal arc fault, which can result in long-term power supply outage and huge consequential damages.
MySiteCare unit includes an effective algorithm for hot spot detection. MySiteCare generates alerts whenever it detects an abnormal overheating, several hours before a critical and unsafe condition is reached. This predictive diagnostic supports the condition based maintenance, in order to maximize the asset lifetime, as well as asset availability and reliability.

Several reasons can create hot spot critical condition, like for instance:

- Loose joints due to vibrations or unusual operating shocks
- Power cable loose connections as result of severe short circuits and aged clamping arrangement
- Mechanical damage of sliding power contacts during equipment handling outside the panels
- Ablation of contact surface of sliding power contacts due to excess of racking operations above the prescribed limits
- Contacts resistance increase caused by oxidation or corrosion due to unfavorable environmental conditions (humidity, marine ambient, chemical pollution, etc.)
- Long maintenance intervals due to equipment utilization in continuous process plants
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Smart Asset Management

MyRemoteCare
MyRemoteCare acquires diagnostic information from MySiteCare, a universal switchgear monitoring and diagnosis device.

Remote monitoring of the switchgear
ABB offers a simple service for remote display and analysis of the conditions of the equipment installed able to facilitate technical support and optimal maintenance planning.
MyRemoteCare stores diagnostic information about the individual apparatus and uses it to generate reports and warning messages.
In addition, it allows historical data to be analyzed, thereby making it easier to detect typical deviations from standard behavior over the years.
ABB service engineers analyze the diagnostic in the remote service center and ensure that events are signalled. They also assess the causes and whether or not to take action in the short- or long-term.
Maintenance personnel can consult the decisions and/or actions planned by ABB experts via the MyRemoteCare portal.
The predictive maintenance tasks will be performed by qualified ABB technicians.

Remote support by ABB specialists
The information processed by each MySiteCare diagnostic unit is transmitted via RS485 link to a concentrator (Gateway).
The concentrator has a SIM card allowing the data to be transmitted to the ABB Data Center via a cell phone network (2G/3G), through a secure private channel that is dedicated to the MyRemoteCare system only.
The frequency with which information is transmitted depends on the event and the concentrator sends an update to the system whenever an important change occurs.
Only equipment diagnostic information is available to the ABB specialists; no operational data is gathered nor transferred to ABB service center, respecting customer privacy.
In the absence of important changes or events, the status of the installation is updated every 24 hours. In addition, MyRemoteCare has a system for frequently checking the connection to the installation, thereby ensuring a high degree of reliability and data quality.
ABB service specialists and maintenance officers can access MyRemoteCare secure web portal so as to consult diagnostic information.
Only authorized personnel are allowed accessing the portal.
Access credentials are supplied when the service is activated.
UniGear ZS1
UniGear ZS1 Digital

With UniGear Digital you gain unprecedented flexibility for any application.

The digital solution takes full advantage of well-proven components: current and voltage sensors, protection and control relays with IEC 61850 digital communication to ensure a reliable and efficient electrical network.

**UniGear Digital benefits**

**Safe and reliable**
- Increased equipment reliability and safety in your substation
- Extended communication supervision functionality

**Intelligent and ready for the future**
- Implement changes easily as requirements change
- Flexibility towards varying load flows
- Late customizations and changes possible

**Simple and efficient**
- Minimized lifetime costs
- Saves space in your switchgear room by reducing switchgear footprint
- 30% quicker delivery time from order to switchgear operation*  

**Lower environmental impact**
- Lowers energy consumption up to 250 MWh**  
  which represents saving of 13 000 EUR
- Saves up 150 tons of CO₂**, that is equal to emissions produced by mid-size European car driven for 1 250 000 km

**Global solution**
- Available for projects according to IEC, GOST and CSA standards

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* compared to a conventional UniGear ZS1

** compared to typical substation with 14 switchgear panels of UniGear ZS1 type over 30 years of operation

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UniGear Digital represents an advanced switchgear solution as it meets important requirements of the future:
- Unprecedented flexibility
- Increased process efficiency
- Lower cost of operation
- Maximized integration
- Reliability and safety

With UniGear Digital you avoid many of the practical challenges you face in today’s complex applications, you simply have less to worry about in your electrical network.
Single-line diagram of typical units

Protection relay with IEC 61850
Low voltage compartment
Apparatus compartment
Busbar compartment
Current sensor
Voltage sensor
Cable compartment

IF - Incoming/outgoing feeder
OFM - Outgoing with BB measurement
BT - Bus-tie
R - Riser
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Single-line diagrams

Single-line diagram of typical units

IF - Incoming/outgoing feeder
BT - Bus-tie
R - Riser
RM - Riser with measurements
M - Measurements
IFD - Direct incoming/outgoing feeder
IFDM - Direct incoming/outgoing feeder with measurements
DF - Switch-disconnector unit

Key to components

Standard components
Accessories
Alternative solutions
Single-line diagram of the busbar applications

- Current transformers
- Voltage transformers
- Duct entry
- Earthing switch

Graphical symbols

- Circuit-breaker
- Contactor
- Switch-disconnector
- Disconnector
- Isolating bar
- Socket and plug
- Voltage transformers
- Current transformers
- Fuse
- Earth
- Cable entry
- Busbar entry
- Current sensor
- Voltage sensor
## UniGear ZS1
### Technical data

#### Units: ... 12 kV - 17.5 kV - ... 31.5 kA

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(1) The height of the unit is a function of the height of the low voltage compartment, available in the 705 and 1100 mm versions.

(2) For the characteristics of the unit equipped with contactor refer to page 30.

(3) For the characteristics of the unit equipped with switch-disconnector refer to page 32.

(4) Others solutions are available, please contact ABB representative.

(5) For short-time current up to 25 kA a 1560 mm depth version is available.

(6) Rated current, short current and internal arc are restricted by coordinated fuses.
UniGear ZS1 - Double Busbar System

Description

When ABB developed UniGear ZS1, the double busbar system was included since the beginning.

The users of UniGear ZS1 double busbar system are mainly power utility companies, main substations and heavy industries. In any case the using of this product is highly recommended where there is the request to increase the service continuity. The use of UniGear ZS1 double busbar switchgear is necessary when some of the following features are required:

- Load shedding of outgoing feeders with a different level of importance during emergency conditions
- Isolation of particular outgoing feeders from the normal network
- Outgoing feeders balancing on two busbar systems during normal operating condition
- Flexibility during inspection and maintenance procedures without switchgear load interruption
- Extension of switchgear without shutdown
- Motor operated line-disconnector that permit fast switching between the two busbar systems during emergency situations (only possible with Bus-tie transversal closed)
- Free access to one busbar system during maintenance operations while the other is in operation and the considered unit is out of operation
- Incoming feeders and the most important outgoing feeders can be equipped with two circuit-breakers in order to allow apparatus redundancy
- Circuit-breaker maintenance and testing without feeder shutdown
- Fewer number of components and less switching apparatus

UniGear ZS1 double busbar systems are based on two different panel types:

- Two busbar systems, two busbar-disconnectors and one circuit-breaker (up to 2500 A - 12-17.5 kV and 2000 A -24 kV)
- Two busbar systems, two circuit-breakers compartments with one or two circuit breakers, this version is called duplex system (up to 4000 A -12-17.5 kV and 2500 A-24 kV)

Both types provide full busbar system redundancy (physical isolation between source busbar systems) and allow uninterrupted and reliable service conditions. Thanks to the numerous standard units available, the switchgear can be suitably configured to satisfy all configuration requirements. Each switchgear panel can be equipped with circuit-breakers. All the significant components and accessories are identical to those used for UniGear ZS1 single level and double level units and therefore the same operation and maintenance procedures are guaranteed.

ABB double busbar system can be provided with single section or two or more sections in order to satisfy the most demanding customer request. For examples refer to the two sections:

- One section of double busbar
- Two sections of double busbar
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The values indicated are valid for both vacuum and SF6 circuit-breaker.
For panel with contactor the rated current value is 400 A.
* 42 kV (GB/DL)

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**Example of one section of UniGear ZS1 double busbar system**

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**Example of two sections of UniGear ZS1 double busbar system**
UniGear ZS1 - Double Busbar System

Characteristics

Compartments
Each panel is made up of four independent power compartments: apparatus, busbar 1, busbar 2 and cable.
There is a metallic segregation between all the compartments. In its front/top part the panel is fitted with a compartment to take the auxiliary instruments.
UniGear ZS1 double busbar system is arc-proof version and supplied with a duct for the evacuation of the gases produced by an arc.
Each compartment of the unit is fitted with a flap on the top surface. The pressure generated by the fault makes this open, allowing the gas to pass into the duct.
The apparatus compartment is accessible from the front. Door closing of these compartments is available in two versions, with screws or central handle.
Removal of the apparatus from the switchgear (circuit-breakers and contactors) and from its relative compartments takes place by means of a single dedicated truck.
The busbar and cable compartment are accessible from the rear of the switchgear by means of removable panels.
All the normal service operations are carried out from the front, whereas maintenance and start-up operations also require access from the rear of the switchgear.

Busbar disconnectors
IF unit busbar-disconnectors are designed to act as two position switches - open and closed positions - and operation is manual (e.g. without springs assistance).
The opening and closing operation of the busbar-disconnector is operated from the front of the panel.
The position of the busbar-disconnector is indicated on the front of the panel with mechanical coupled indicators.
The busbar-disconnectors are clearly separated and the relevant busbar compartments are segregated from each other in order to achieve the following:

- It should be possible to carry out maintenance and also extend the switchgear with additional units, keeping one of the two busbars systems energised
- A fault generated in one compartment (e.g. insulation discharge) will not generate any damage to the others or require the shutdown of the unit

Busbar-disconnectors are provided with limit switches for the detection of operating position and they can be operated manually or, as an option, motor operated.
The busbar-disconnectors are provided with the necessary interlocking facilities.
The interlocks between the two line disconnectors and the circuit breaker are implemented by means of locking magnets.

The busbar-disconnector consists of a moveable copper tube housed inside an epoxy insulator. Electrical contact is guaranteed by two or four connection springs (depending on the rating of the disconnector).
Additional protective insulating caps are mounted on both sides of the insulator, thus providing the device with a high level of reliability.
### Units: ... 12 kV - 17.5 kV - ... 31.5 kA

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- Incoming/outgoing duplex feeder: x

#### IFM
- Incoming/outgoing duplex feeder with measurements: x

#### BTT
- Transverse bus-tie: x

#### M
- Measurements: x

#### BTL
- Longitudinal bus-tie: x, x

#### RL
- Longitudinal riser: x, x, x

#### RLM
- Longitudinal riser with measurements: x, x, x

### Units: ... 24 kV - ... 25 kA

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#### IF
- Incoming/outgoing: x

#### IF
- Incoming/outgoing duplex feeder: x

#### IFM
- Incoming/outgoing duplex feeder with measurements: x

#### BTT
- Transverse bus-tie: x

#### M
- Measurements: x

#### BTL
- Longitudinal bus-tie: x, x, x

#### RL
- Longitudinal riser: x, x, x

#### RLM
- Longitudinal riser with measurements: x, x

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1. The height of the unit is a function of the height of the low voltage compartment, available in the 705 and 1100 mm versions.
2. Others solutions are available, please contact ABB representative.
UniGear ZS1 - Double Busbar System

Single-line diagrams

Single-line diagram of typical units

IF - Incoming/Outgoing
IF and IFM - Busbar A Duplex
IF and IFM - Busbar B Duplex
BTT - Trans. Bus Tie

M - Measurements
BTL - Longitudinal Bus Tie
RL - Bus Riser Longitudinal
RLM - Bus Riser Longitudinal with Metering

Key to components
- Standard components
- Accessories
- Alternative solutions
Single-line diagram of the busbar applications

Top-mounted VTs
Top-mounted earthing switch
Top entry duct

Graphical symbols

Circuit-breaker
Disconnected
Isolating bar
Socket and plug
Voltage transformers
Current transformers

Fuse
Earth
Cable entry
Busbar entry
The Marine Market is divided into four different segments:

- Passenger vessels (cruise ships and ferries)
- Industrial vessels (shuttle tankers, drill ships, oil carriers, cargo vessels, etc.)
- Rigs (drill and oil rigs)
- Navy

In this type of application the temperature range, vibrations and variable inclination are particularly severe conditions that impact the functional requirements of on-board components such as the switchgear. ABB is the leading manufacturer of air-insulated switchgear for marine applications, installed by all main shipyards (Brazil, China, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, Korea, Italy, Norway, Singapore, Spain, UK and USA).

The switchgear suitable for marine applications is UniGear ZS1 in single and double level arrangement up to 7.2-12 kV rated voltage (with the option for 17.5 kV), with the need for many dedicated features and some special typical units.

Over 10,000 ABB panels are in service in the world on board all kind of ships. Registers and end-customers (shipyards or ship owners) require switchgear manufactured to comply with Shipping Register test requirements for on-board apparatus.

For this purpose, tests have been performed in compliance with the main Shipping Register regulations; DNV, LR, RINA, BV, GL, ABS, KR and Russian regulations.

In order to guarantee the necessary comfort and facilities, high power generation plants and control systems must be concentrated in significantly reduced overall dimensions. UniGear ZS1 can be offered in single level with the possibility to be coupled with double level; it offers a wide range of apparatus and control units to satisfy marine installation requirements.

UniGear ZS1 switchgear provides the ideal technical solutions for marine applications:

- Arc-proof construction, mechanical safety interlocks, automatic segregation shutters and apparatus control with the door closed guarantee personnel safety during installation, operation and maintenance;
- High degree of protection (up to IP43) on the external enclosure;
- Metallic partitions between each compartment and earthing of all components accessible to personnel: apparatus, shutters, doors and the whole switchgear frame;
- High fire resistance thanks to minimal use of plastic and resins: the auxiliary equipment and wiring are highly self-extinguishing.

**Shore connection**

Ships generate emissions while docked in port by running their auxiliary engines to create onboard electric power. In ports with heavy ship traffic, this practice creates emissions and negative health and environmental impact to the local surrounding communities. As global trade steadily expands, ship emissions represent an ever-increasing environmental concern.

Sustainability is today a key area of focus in the shipping industry, where strong measures are being taken on several fronts to dramatically reduce ship emissions.

One such measure is shore-to-ship electric power supply, which eliminates pollution problems and particle discharge as well as noise and vibration from ships in port.

UniGear ZS1 Shore Connection panel is delivered as a finished cabinet solution with both a power module and a control module. Depending on the system configuration and onboard requirements, the cabinet may be supplied with cable connectors located in the front of the cabinet or with openings for cable entry through the cabinet floor.

All equipment is constructed and factory tested according to international standards and classification society rules.
Ambient conditions for classification of on-board apparatus
- Ambient temperature from 0°C to + 45°C
- Inclination up to 25° permanent

Vibration in the frequency range of 2 … 100 Hz at the following motion width
- 1 mm amplitude in the frequency range of 2…13.2 Hz
- 0.7 g acceleration amplitude in the frequency range of 13.2…100 Hz

Fully type tested
The UniGear ZS1 switchgear has undergone all the tests required by the international (IEC), in addition, the tests required by the main shipping registers (LR, DNV, RINA, BV, GL, KR and Russian) have been carried out for use of the switchgear in marine installations.

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For panel with contactor the rated current value is 400 A
**Marine applications**

**Characteristics**

The features required for marine application, which are not part of the standard design, are described here below.

**Degree of Protection**

On request, the external housing of UniGear ZS1 can be supplied with different degrees of protection, the standard one requested for marine application is IP42 or IP43; where:

- IP42: protection against foreign bodies with diameter 1 mm and against water ingress at 15° maximum inclination
- IP43: protection against foreign bodies with diameter 1 mm and against water ingress at 60° maximum inclination

**Duct for secondary wirings**

On the top of the switchgear and exactly above the low voltage compartment as an option can be supplied the wiring duct.

Into this duct there are positioned the terminal boards related to the interpanel wiring between panels.

**Gas duct**

UniGear ZS1 is arc-proof version and supplied with a duct for the evacuation of the gases produced by an arc.

The duct is fixed on the top of the auxiliary compartment.

In marine plants, the exhaust gases cannot normally be evacuated out of the room and therefore the gas duct must always be closed on both the end-sides and equipped with top chimneys.

If there are cases where it is possible to evacuate hot gases out of the room, the gas duct with outlet can be supplied.

**Doors**

The door of the apparatus compartment and the rear panel is always supplied with handrails.

In addition, all the doors (low voltage, apparatus and cable compartments) are equipped with an appropriate stop to fix them in the open position.

**Cables**

**UniGear ZS1 single level**

Single level IF and IFM units are usually delivered in the deeper version (1650-1700 mm). This design will allow the following targets to be achieved:

- Bottom and top cable entry
- Appropriate cable terminal distance (minimum requirements):
  - 700 mm in case of bottom entry
  - 1000 mm in case of top entry

Standard depth IF units (1340-1390 mm) are also used as an alternative in case of problems with space.

This feeder version will only allow bottom cable entry and a cable terminal distance in the range of 440…535 mm, depending on the rated current.

**UniGear ZS1 double level**

All the described recommendations for single level units must be applied to double level units.

The cable terminal distance of IF units is 600 mm for all the following configurations:

- Bottom entry (both feeders)
- Top entry (both feeders)
- Bottom and top entry (one feeder from top, one feeder from bottom)

**Thermo-graphic inspection**

Thermographic inspection is normally required on power cable terminations and sometimes on main busbar systems.

Customers are normally much more sensitive to the former, because cable termination faults represent a considerable percentage of all the faults in switchgear, whereas faults in main busbar systems are quite rare.

Thermo-graphic inspection and supervision can be done in two ways:

- Temporary inspection by means of an IR camera through an appropriate inspection window
- Continuous supervision by means of IR sensors located inside the switchgear
The first system (temporary inspection) requires an IR camera and an inspection window for each compartment to be supervised. The second system (continuous supervision) requires the continuous thermal monitoring. This is a non-touch temperature monitoring system based on IR temperature probes connected to a central unit (up to 8 sensors can be plugged in to each central unit).

Due to the switchgear design constraints, the main busbar Thermo-graphic inspection can only be carried out using the continuous thermal monitoring system.

The power cables can be supervised with both solutions. With regard to UniGear ZS1 double Level, we can point out that due to the switchgear design constraints, both the main busbar and the power cables thermo-graphic inspection can only be carried out using the continuous thermal monitoring system.
Marine applications

Typical units

The required units, which are not part of the standard design, are described here below.

**Earthing transformer units**
From the electrical point of view, marine plants are based on isolated networks (isolated neutral point).

The main consequences are as follows:

- The network can be operated with single-phase earth fault
- Earth fault detection is very difficult, due to the very low earth fault current

In order to increase this and therefore allow releases to operate on single-phase earth faults, two solutions can be used:

- Connecting the secondary winding of the generator to ground by means of a resistor
- Installing an earthing transformer in the network

For this reason, the UniGear ZS1 range must be enhanced with two addition typical units:

- ME: Busbar metering unit with earthing transformer feeder
- RE: Rise with earthing transformer feeder

In the case of switchgear with a single busbar section, ME can be used for this purpose; in the case of switchgear equipped with two busbar sections, both ME and RE units must be used, in order to cover all the schemes.

**Additional features of Measurement and Riser units**
Out of choice, M and R units should be equipped with fixed Voltage Transformers instead of withdrawable VT’s with fuses.

In this configuration the “apparatus compartment”, where is placed the VT’s truck, will be used as an additional auxiliary compartment.

It is fully segregated from the power compartments with metallic partitions and designed as a low voltage compartment with respect to the safety rules.

The inside rear and side walls of the compartment is fitted with the grid plate for fixing the auxiliary equipment.

This will be equipped with the relevant left-hand side duct for wiring entry from the bottom and exit to the top-mounted Low voltage compartment.
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(1) Bottom and top cable entry
(2) Bottom cable entry
(3) Up to 50 kA with vacuum contactor
UniGear ZS1 is also available as single busbar system in the double level configuration. Each panel consists of two completely independent superimposed units and is functionally identical to two single-level units placed side by side. Thanks to the numerous standard units available, the switchgear can be suitably configured to satisfy all installation requirements. Each unit can be equipped with circuit-breakers or contactors, as well as with all the accessories available for UniGear ZS1 single level units. All the significant components are identical to those used for the single-level units and therefore the same service and maintenance procedures are guaranteed. The UniGear ZS1 double level switchgear is mainly distinguished by its efficient use of space. All the configurations allow a drastic reduction in the space occupied, with special regard to the width of the switchgear (30...40% less in typical configurations). Its use is recommended in installations with a high number of feeders, fitted with either circuit-breakers or contactors. It can be used as a motor control center for applications up to 12 kV. All the electrical characteristics of the double and single level units are identical. The overall rated current of the busbar system is given by the sum of the currents of the two top and bottom half-busbars. The double-level units can be coupled directly to single-level units, with the possibility of extension on both sides of the switchgear. The switchgear requires access from the rear for the installation and maintenance procedures, while all the service operations are carried out from the front. The UniGear ZS1 double level switchgear can be used in two typical configurations:

- Complete with double-level
- Compound with simple and double-level

The complete solution only uses double level panels to realise all the standard units: incoming feeders, bus-tie, riser, busbar measurement and outgoing units. The compound solution in contrast, uses both the simple and double level solution: the former for the incoming feeders, bus-tie and riser compartments, the latter for the busbar measurement and outgoing units. The complete double level solution makes it possible to achieve the maximum reduction in installed dimensions and can be used for relatively limited rated currents (1600 A maximum current of the incoming feeders). It is normally used to construct local distribution switchgear, with a limited number of outgoing feeders. The field of application of the compound solution is aimed at main distribution switchgear, with high rated currents (3 150 A maximum current of the incoming feeders) and numerous outgoing feeders.
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GB/DL version is available with higher request in dielectric characteristics (42 kV) and short time withstand current (4 s).

The values indicated are valid for both vacuum and SF6 circuit-breaker.

For panel with contactor the rated current value is 400 A.

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Example of complete UniGear ZS1 double level configuration

Example of UniGear ZS1 single and double level configuration
Compartments
Each panel consists of two superimposed units [1st level and 2nd level] and each unit is therefore made up of three independent power compartments: apparatus, busbar and cable. There is metallic segregation between all the compartments.
In its middle part, the panel is fitted with a compartment to accommodate the auxiliary instruments of both the units.
This solution means the apparatus interfacing with the user is at a convenient height. In the top part of the panel, an additional compartment is available to house any further instruments provided.
The arc-proof switchgear is normally fitted with a duct for evacuation of the gases produced by an arc.
Each compartment of the unit placed on the 2nd level is fitted with a flap on the top surface. The pressure generated by the fault makes this open, allowing the gas to pass into the duct. The gases produced by faults generated in the power compartments of the unit placed on the 1st level are evacuated towards the main duct by means of a dedicated duct placed laterally to the switchgear. Each compartment of the switchgear panel placed on the 1st level is fitted with a flap positioned on the side of the switchgear. The pressure generated by the fault makes this open, allowing the gas to pass into the duct. This solution means the units placed on the 2nd level are not affected by this fault.
The apparatus compartments are accessible from the front.
Door closing of these compartments is available in two versions, with screws or central handle. Removal of the apparatus from the switchgear (circuit-breakers, contactors and measurement truck) placed on the two levels and from its relative compartments, takes place by means of a single dedicated fork-lift truck. This truck can also be used for the same procedures for the single level units.
The busbar and cable compartments are accessible from the rear of the switchgear by means of removable panels.
All the normal service operations are carried out from the front, whereas maintenance and start-up operations also require access from the rear of the switchgear.
The characteristics of the busbar system, branch connections, earthing busbar, earthing switch, insulator bushings and shutters are the same as those for the single level units.
A maximum of six single or three-core cables per phase can be used depending on the rated voltage, on the switchgear panel dimensions and on the cross-section of the cables.

Configurations
The typical switchgear panels available allow the most suitable configurations for the installation requirements.
The incoming/outgoing feeder panel [IF] is the most widely used: both switchgear levels consist of units of this type and can be used both as incoming and outgoing feeders.
The bus-tie [BT] and riser [R] units are used to arrange complete double-level switchgear configuration.
These units are positioned on the 2nd level, whereas the incoming/outgoing feeder units are included in the 1st level.
The bus-tie units can be fitted with current transformers on the load side of the circuit-breaker for busbar measurement.
Installation of the current transformers on the supply side is also possible to realise special protection schemes. The riser compartment is also available in the version with withdrawable instrument truck with voltage transformers with fuses [RM].
The mixed configuration with single and double level requires connection between the two sections of switchgear by means of the connection unit. This unit makes all the connections between the two types of switchgear (busbars, earthing busbar, gas exhaust duct, ducts for connection of the auxiliary circuits) and can integrate the earthing switch of the busbars [J] and also the withdrawable instrument truck with voltage transformers with fuses [JM]. These units are positioned on the 2nd level, whereas the incoming/outgoing feeder units are included on the first level.

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#### Second (2nd) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

#### Second (2nd) BT
- **Bus-tie**: x x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

#### Second (2nd) R
- **Riser**: x x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

#### Second (2nd) RM
- **Riser with measurements**: x x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

#### Second (2nd) J
- **Connection**: 1250 A x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

#### Second (2nd) JM
- **Connection with measurements**: 1250 A x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

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- **Bus-tie**: x x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

#### Second (2nd) R
- **Riser**: x x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

#### Second (2nd) RM
- **Riser with measurements**: x x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

#### Second (2nd) J
- **Connection**: 1250 A x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

#### Second (2nd) JM
- **Connection with measurements**: 1250 A x x

#### First (1st) IF
- **Incoming/outgoing**: x x x x

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*(1) The height of the switchgear in the mixed configuration with single and double level is the same as that of the double level unit*
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