General characteristics of C-type relay modules

User’s manual and Technical description

Indicators for measured values

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- Setting knob 1 with indicator
- Setting knob 2 with indicator

Stage 2
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- Setting knob 4 with indicator

Self-supervision alarm indicator (Internal Relay Fault)

Display, 1 + 3 digits

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Programming switches SG1

Switchgroup indicator

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Start/operation indicators

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Push-buttons

The front panel of the relay module contains two push-buttons. The STEP button is used for stepping forward in the display and the RESET button for resetting the red indicators. Additionally, the push-buttons are used for certain settings, e.g. for setting the address of the relay module and the data transfer rate for the serial communication when the modules are used in relay packages provided with this quality. (See section Display).

Programming switches SG1

Part of the settings and the selections of the operating characteristics for the relay modules in various applications are made with the programming switches SG1 on the front panel. The indicator of the switchgroup glows when the checksum of the switchgroup is shown on the display. The checksum can be used for checking that the switches are properly set. Fig. 2 gives an example of calculating the checksum.

\[
\begin{array}{ccc}
1 & 1 & x \\
2 & 0 & x \\
3 & 1 & x \\
4 & 1 & x \\
5 & 1 & x \\
6 & 1 & x \\
7 & 1 & x \\
8 & 0 & x \\
\end{array}
\]

\[
\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
2 \\
4 \\
8 \\
16 \\
32 \\
64 \\
128 \\
\end{array}
\times
\begin{array}{c}
1 \\
2 \\
4 \\
8 \\
16 \\
32 \\
64 \\
0 \\
\end{array}
= 125
\]

Fig. 2. Example of calculating the checksum of programming switchgroup SG1.

When the checksum calculated according to the example is equal to the checksum indicated on the display of the relay module, the switches are properly set.

The function of the programming switches of the individual measuring relay modules is specified in the description of the module concerned.
Setting knobs

Most of the operating values and operating times are set by means of the setting knobs on the front panel of the relay module. Each setting knob has its own (LED) indicator which glows when the concerned setting value is shown on the display.

If a setting knob is turned while the display is showing another measured or set value, the value being set automatically appears on the display. Simultaneously, the indicator for the concerned setting starts glowing.

In addition to the settings made with the setting knobs, most modules allow so called remote setting. This means that the settings made by means of the setting knobs of the module and the checksum of the programming switchgroup may be altered through an instruction over the serial communication bus. Remote setting is possible if the password in the register A is known, and the remote settings are not activated, i.e. parameter V150=0. The circumstance that the remote settings are activated is shown with a flashing light of the indicator of the setting knob, the value of which currently is being displayed.

Display

The measured and set values as well as the data recorded are shown on the display of the measuring relay module. The display consists of four digits. The three digits (green) to the right indicate the measured, set or stored value and the digit at the extreme left (red) the number of the register. The measured or set value displayed is indicated by a yellow LED indicator. The number of the register glows only when a stored value is displayed.

When the auxiliary voltage is connected to a measuring relay module, the module initially tests the display by stepping through the digits 1...9 for about 15 seconds. When the test is finished the display turns dark. The testing can be interrupted by pressing the STEP button. The protective functions of the module are operative throughout the testing.

Display main menu

All the data required during normal operating conditions are accessible from the main menu which presents the measured values in real-time, the normal setting knob settings as well as the most important memorized data.

The data to be shown in the main menu are selected to the display in a certain sequence by means of the STEP button. When pressing the STEP button for about one second, the display moves forward in the display sequence. When pressing it for about 0.5 seconds, the display moves backwards in the display sequence.

From a dark display only forward movement is possible. When keeping the STEP button depressed, the display is continuously moving in forward direction stopping for a while at the dark point.

Unless the display is switched off by stepping to the dark point, it remains activated for about 5 minutes from the last pressing of the STEP button and then goes out.
Display submenu

Less important values and values not very often set are displayed in the submenus. The number of submenus varies with different relay module types. The submenus are presented in the description of the concerned module.

A submenu is entered from the main menu by pressing the RESET button for about one second. When the button thereafter is released, the red digit (STEP) of the display starts flashing, indicating that one is in a submenu. Going from one submenu to another or back to the main menu follows the same principle as when moving from the main menu display to another; the display moves forward when pressing the STEP button for one second and backward when pressing it for 0.5 seconds. The return to the main menu has taken place when the red STEP display turns dark.

When entering a submenu from a measured or set value indicated by a LED indicator, the indicator remains glowing and the address window (STEP) of the display starts flashing. A flashing address window when no LED indicator is lit indicates that the submenu of a register has been entered.

![Diagram](image)

Fig. 3. Example of the main and submenus for the settings of the overcurrent relay module SPCJ 3C3. The settings made with the setting knobs are in the main menu and they are displayed by pressing the STEP button. In addition to the setting knob settings the main menu contains the measured current values as well as the registers 1...5, as well as 0 and A. The remote setting percentage and remote setting value are located in the submenus for the settings and are activated on the display by pressing the RESET button.

Setting mode

The registers of the main menu and the submenus also contain parameters to be set. The settings are made in the so called setting mode, which is accessible from the main menu or a submenu by pressing the RESET button, until the digit at the extreme right starts flashing (about 10 s). The flashing digit is set by means of the STEP button. The flashing is moved on from digit to digit by pressing the RESET button.

A set value is stored in the memory by pressing the push-buttons STEP and RESET simultaneously. In practice the RESET button must be pressed slightly in excess of the STEP button.

Return from the setting mode to the main menu or submenu is possible by pressing (for about 10 s) the RESET button until the green digits on the display stop flashing. If the module is left in the setting mode, it will return automatically to the start condition after about 5 minutes.

The values to be set in the setting mode are for instance the address code of the relay module and the data transfer rate for the serial communication. Further the percentage values for the remote settings can be changed.
Example 1: Function in the setting mode. Manual setting of the address code of a relay module and the data transfer rate for the serial communication. The initial value for the address code is 146.

a) Press push-button STEP until register address A appears on the display.

b) Press the RESET button for about 10 s until the right most digit starts flashing.

c) Press the STEP button repeatedly to set the digit to the value desired.

d) Press the RESET button to make the middle of the green digits flash.

e) Set the middle address digit by means of the STEP button.

f) Press the RESET button to make the left most green digit flash.

g) Set the digit by means of the STEP button.

h) Store the set address number in the memory of the relay module by pressing the RESET and STEP button simultaneously. At the moment the information enters the memory, the three green dashes flash in the display, i.e. A—.

i) Leave the setting mode by pressing the RESET button for about 10 s, until the display stops flashing.

j) Then enter submenu 1 of register A by pressing the RESET button for approx. one second. The register address A is then replaced by a flashing 1. This submenu is used for setting the data transfer rate of the serial communication.

k) The data transfer rate for the serial communication is set and stored in the same way as the address, see sections b...i, except that the continuously glowing register address has been replaced by a flashing 1.

l) After storing the data transfer rate for the serial communication you may return to the main menu of register A by pressing the STEP button for about 0.5 second.
The parameter values measured at the moment when a fault occurs are recorded in the registers, in some modules also the setting values. The recorded data, except for some setting parameters, are set to zero by pressing the push-buttons STEP and RESET simultaneously. The data in normal registers are erased if the auxiliary voltage supply to the relay is disrupted, only the set values and the number of autoreclosings are maintained in the registers at a voltage failure.

The number of the registers varies with different module types. The function of the registers are illustrated in the descriptions of the separate relay modules. Additionally, the system panel contains a simplified list of the data recorded by the various relay modules of the relay assembly.

All C-type relay modules are provided with two general registers: register 0 and register A.

Register 0 contains, in coded form, the information about e.g. external blocking signals and status information for the circuit breaker. The codes are explained in the descriptions of the relay modules.

Register A contains the address code of the relay module as required by the serial communication system. Example 1 on page 4 shows how the address code is altered. Submenu 1 of register A contains the data transfer rate value expressed in kilobaud for the serial communication.

Submenu 2 of register A contains a bus traffic monitor for the SPACOM system. If the protective relay, which contains the relay module, is linked to a system including the control data communicator and the data communication system is operating, the counter reading of the monitor will be zero. Otherwise the digits 1...255 are continuously rolling in the monitor.

Submenu 3 contains the password required for changing the remote settings. The address code, the data transfer rate for the serial communication and the password can be set manually or via the serial communication bus. For manual setting see example 1.

The start value for the address code and the password is 001 and that for the data transfer rate 9.6 kilobaud.
Trip-test mode

Register 0 also allows access to the so called Trip-test function, which allows the output signals of the relay module to be activated one by one. If the auxiliary relay module of the protection assembly is in place, the auxiliary relays will be included in the testing.

When pressing the RESET button for about 10 seconds, the three green digits to the right start flashing to indicate that the relay module is in test position. The indicators of the setting knobs indicate by flashing which output signal can be activated. The required output function is selected by pressing the RESET button for about 1 second, until the following LED indicator starts flashing.

The indicators of the setting knobs refer to the following output signals:

- Setting knob 1: SS1, Starting of stage 1
- Setting knob 2: TS1, Tripping of stage 1
- Setting knob 3: SS2, Starting of stage 2
- Setting knob 4: TS2, Tripping of stage 2
- No indication: IRF, Self-supervision

The selected starting or tripping is activated by simultaneous pressing of the push-buttons STEP and RESET. The signal remains activated as long as the two push-buttons are being pressed.

The self-supervision output is activated by pressing the STEP button once when no setting knob indicator is flashing. The IRF output is activated in about 5 seconds after pressing of the STEP button, and resets after that. Simultaneously, the display returns to the main menu and performs the initial testing indicated by rolling digits 0...9 in the display several times.

The signals are selected in the order illustrated in fig. 4.

If e.g. the indicator of the setting knob 2 (second from the top) is flashing, and the push-buttons STEP and RESET are being pressed, the signal TS1 (tripping of stage 1) is activated. Return to the main menu is possible at any stage of the Trip-test sequence scheme, by pressing the RESET button for about 10 seconds. If the module is left in the Trip-test mode, it will return automatically after approx. 5 minutes.

Fig. 4. Sequence order for selecting the output signals in the Trip-test mode.
Example 2: Trip-test function. Forced activation of the outputs is made as follows:

a) Step forward on the display to register 0.

b) Press the RESET button for about 10 seconds until the three green digits to the right and the LED indicator of the uppermost setting knob start flashing.

c) Press the push-buttons RESET and STEP simultaneously. Then the starting of stage 1 (e.g., the I>-stage of the overcurrent module SPCJ 3C3) is activated and, simultaneously, the indicator of the stage starts glowing yellow.

d) Press the RESET button for about 1 second until the indicator of the second setting knob starts flashing.

e) Press the push-buttons RESET and STEP simultaneously to activate tripping of stage 1 (e.g., the I>-stage of the overcurrent module SPCJ 3C3). The indicator of the concerned stage starts glowing red.

f) Starting and tripping of the second stage is activated in the same way as stage 1. The indicator of the third or fourth setting starts flashing to indicate that the concerned stage has been activated.

g) To activate the self-supervision output step towards the test position, where no indicator is flashing. Press the STEP button once. In about 5 seconds the red IRF indicator starts glowing and the IRF output is activated. Shortly thereafter the indicator goes out and the output automatically resets. At the same time the module leaves the test position.

h) It is possible to leave the trip test mode at any step of the sequence scheme by pressing the RESET button for about 10 seconds until the three digits to the right stop flashing.
**Operation indicators**

A measuring relay module is provided with two separate operating stages, each of which with its own yellow/red operation indicator on the lower part of the front plate of the relay module. The operation indicator starts glowing yellow when the operating stage starts and red when a delayed tripping operates. The functions of the start and operation indicators are described in detail in the different protection relay module manuals.

**Fault codes**

In addition to the protective functions the relay module is provided with a self-supervision system which continuously supervises the function of the microprocessor, its program execution and the electronics.

When the self-supervision system has detected a permanent fault in the relay module, the red IRF indicator on the panel starts glowing soon after the fault was discovered. At the same time the module puts forward a signal to the self-supervision contact of the relay assembly. In most fault situations a fault code, indicating the nature of the fault, appears on the display of the module. The fault code, which consists of a red digit (1) and a three digit green code number, cannot be removed from the display by resetting. When a fault occurs, the fault code should be recorded and stated when service is ordered.