

Unbalance Monitoring



FEATURES

- Indoor or outdoor version available
- Special design to fit capacitor banks assemblies with IP55 terminal covers

APPLICATIONS

- Monitoring unbalance currents of capacitor banks
 - Double-star connection
 - Bridge connection
- Monitoring unbalance voltages of capacitor banks

QUICK REFERENCE DATA

Type	Unbalance monitoring
Description	Unbalance measuring device for capacitor banks connected in double-star or bridge connection
Rated data	Primary current: 5 A / 10 A / 25 A / 50 A
Current data	One current output: 1 A
Protecting level	IP00

TECHNICAL DATA

Accuracy class	Class 1
VA-rating	1.5 VA
Maximum overload	200 A/1 s
Frequency	50 Hz / 60 Hz
Temperature	-30 °C to +65 °C
Insulation level	12 kV (28 kV / 75 kVp) or 17.5 kV (38 kV / 95 kVp)
Installation	Indoor and outdoor version available

APPLICATION

When a short circuit occurs in the winding element of a capacitor unit, gas can form, causing the capacitor case to swell and eventually burst if left uncontrolled.

A protection relay can be used to detect such faults well in advance. The relay compares the star points of two parallel star connected capacitor arrangements. As soon as there is a voltage shift in one of the star points, an unbalanced current will flow between the two star points. The protection relay can be configured to indicate the fault and disconnect the faulty capacitors when this tripping current goes over a predetermined value.

Capacitor banks arranged in a bridge circuit can also be controlled by the ESTAsym W, which in such cases is connected in the midpoint of the bridge (Fig. 2).

The combination of an ESTAsym W and ESTAsym relay can recognize winding element failure early on and disconnect the capacitor bank before any significant damage occurs.

SETTING OF TRIPPING VALUE

The choice of the appropriate tripping value for the unbalanced current depends on how the capacitors are connected internally and upon the external arrangement of the capacitor bank. Factory recommendations for alarm and / or tripping values as well as time delays are included in the contractual documentation supplied with each capacitor bank at time of delivery.

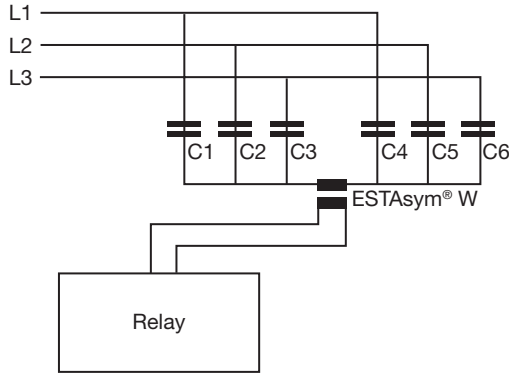


Fig. 1 - Double-star connection

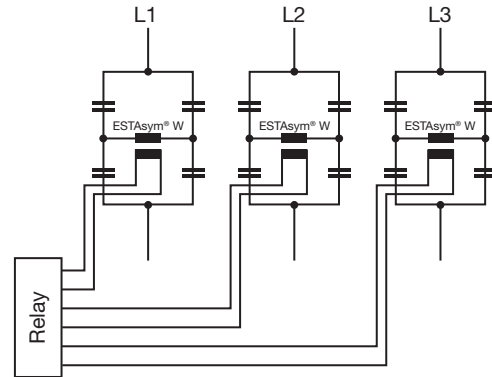


Fig. 2 - Bridge connection

FACTORY TESTS

Because the ESTAsym W is intended exclusively to protect capacitor banks, we use the testing voltages specified by the IEC 60871 standard for capacitors in performing our insulation test for the ESTAsym W. This means that on the basis of insulation class 12 kV or 17.5 kV the primary sides are tested to the secondary side/housing with 28 kV AC/10 s or 38 kV AC/ 10 s respectively. The test of the secondary side to the housing is made with a voltage of 2.5 kV AC for 10 s.

TESTING THE ESTAsym W FOR PROPER FUNCTIONING

For reliable operation, we recommend a regular examination of the complete capacitor protection set-up. The operation of the alarm and trip levels for the protection circuits are best confirmed through primary current injection of the ESTAsym W. Following an alarm or trip operation, the capacitor bank should only be re-energized after it has been thoroughly inspected.

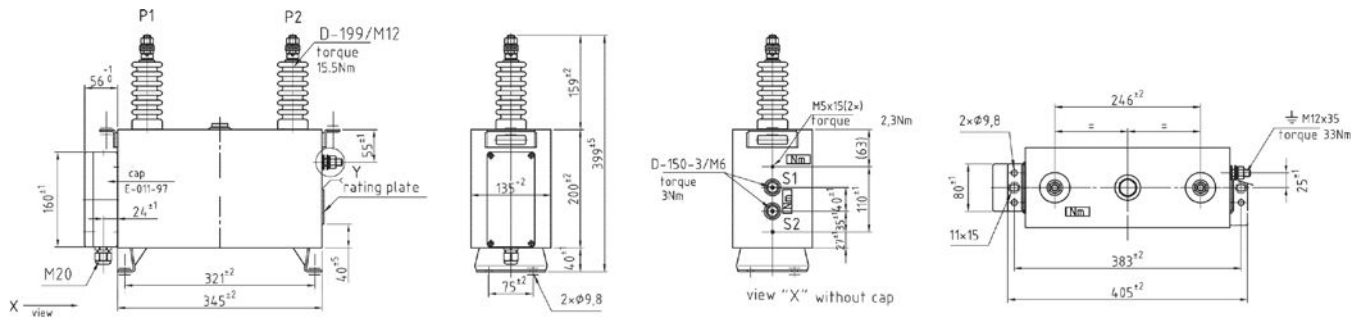


Fig. 3 - Indoor type with bushing D-199

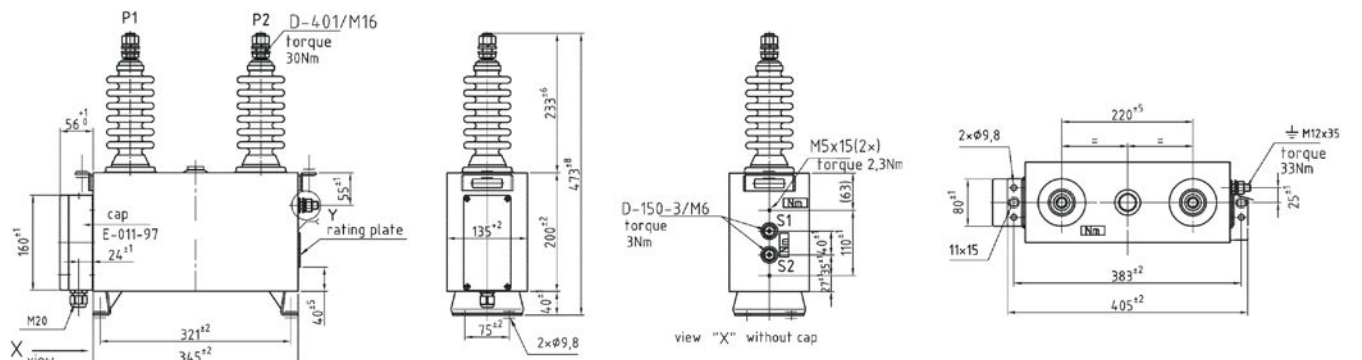


Fig. 4 - Outdoor type with bushing D-401



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